

## Supporting Information

### **Ce6-Conjugated and Polydopamine-Coated Gold Nanostars with Enhanced Photoacoustic Imaging and Photothermal/Photodynamic Therapy to Inhibit Lung Metastasis of Breast Cancer**

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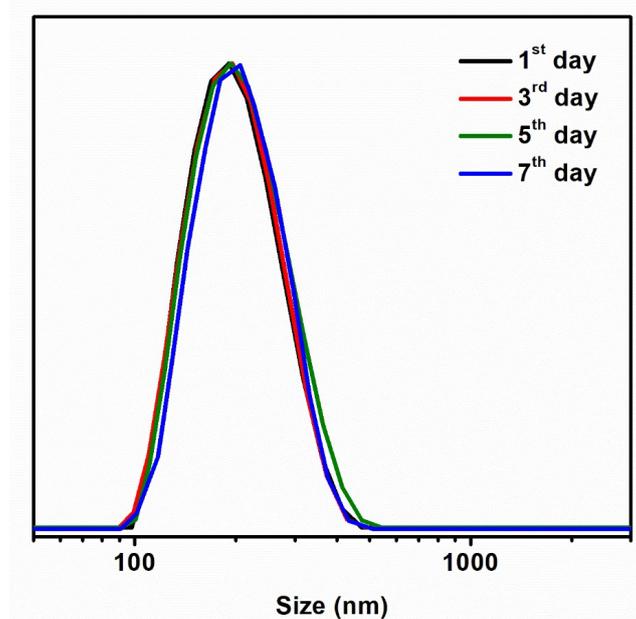
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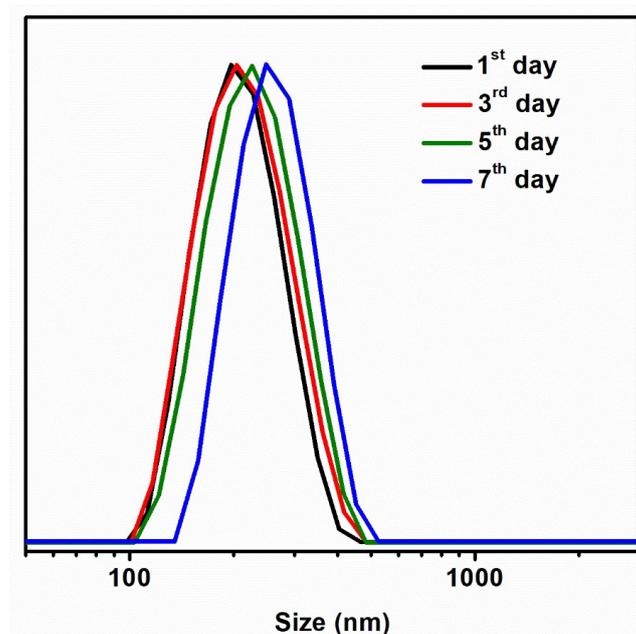
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**Figure S1.** DLS curves of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 dispersed in ultrapure H<sub>2</sub>O between 7 days.



**Figure S2.** DLS curves of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 dispersed in saline between 7 days.

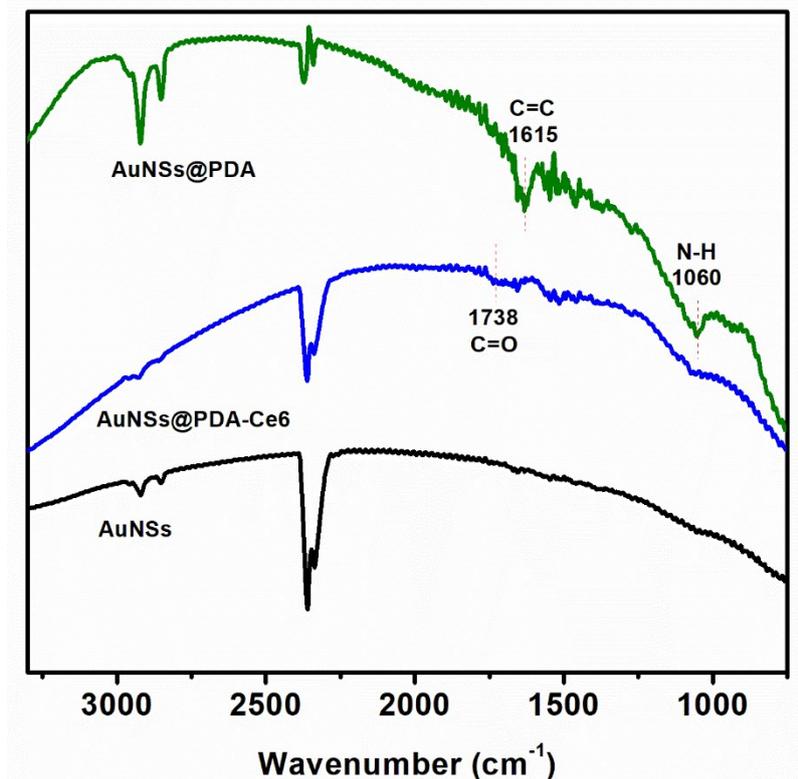


Figure S3. FT-IR spectra of different nanoparticles.

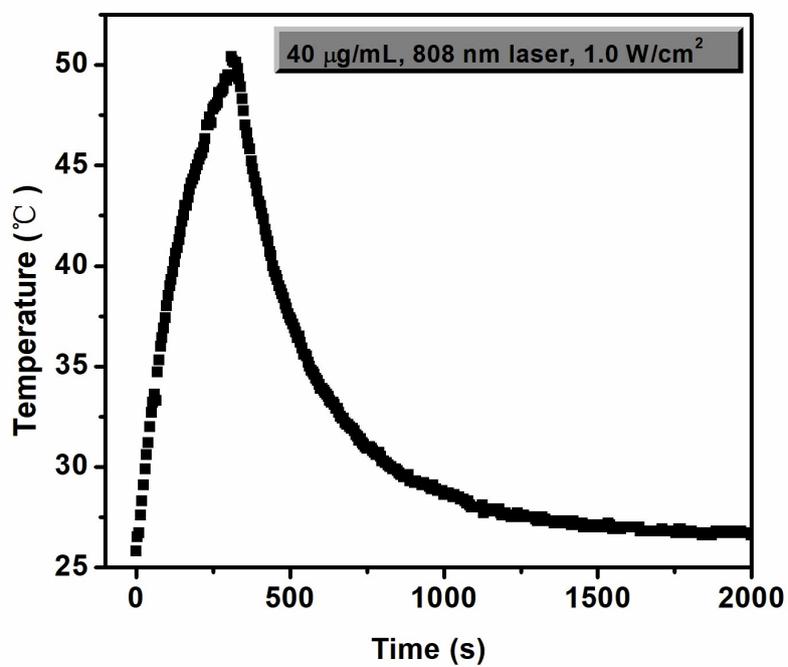
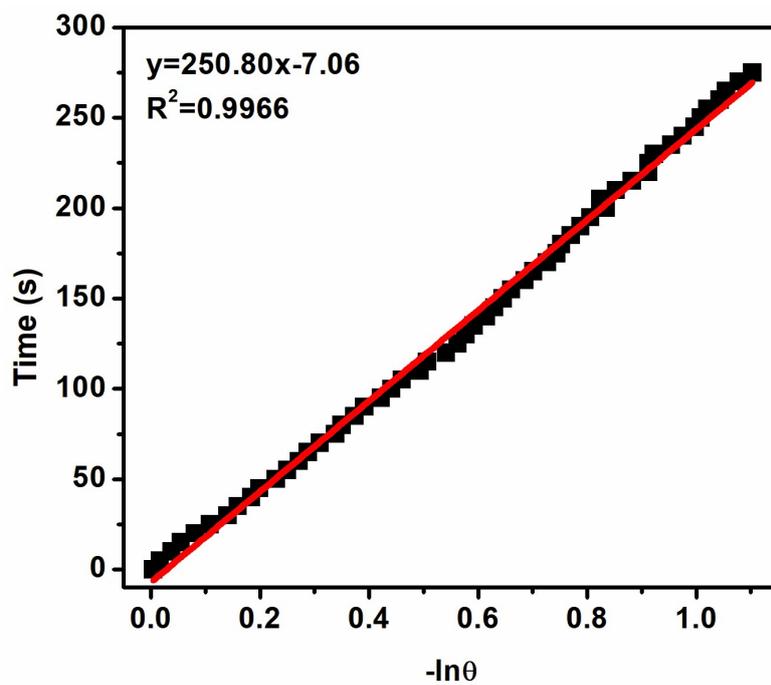
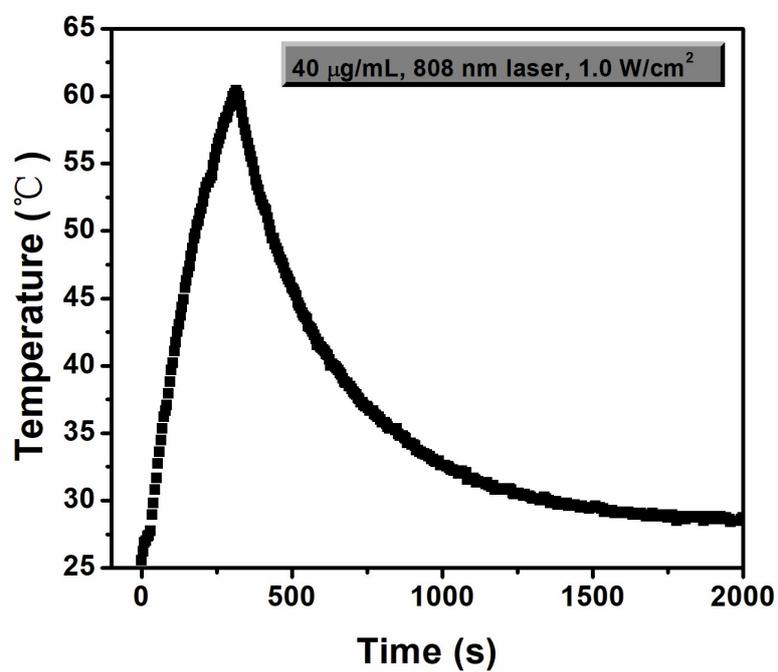


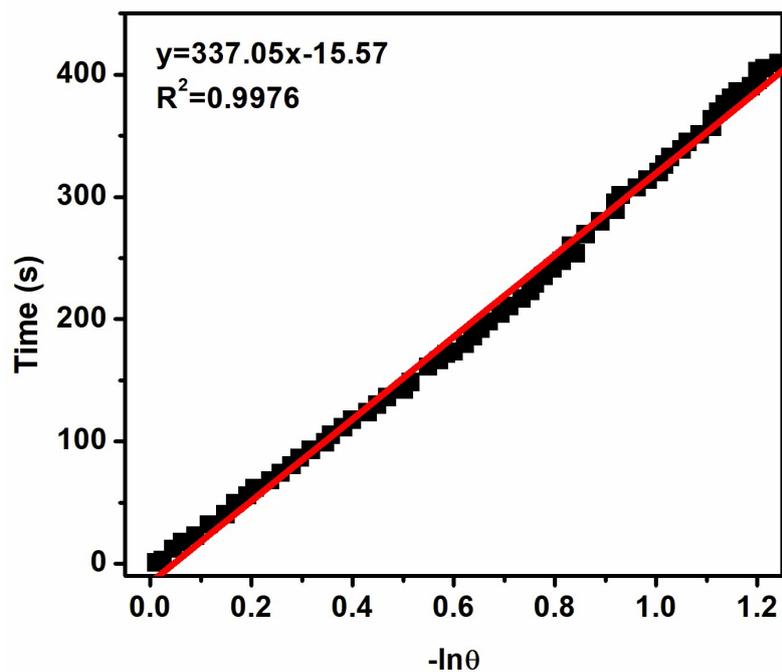
Figure S4. Rising/falling temperature curve of AuNSs



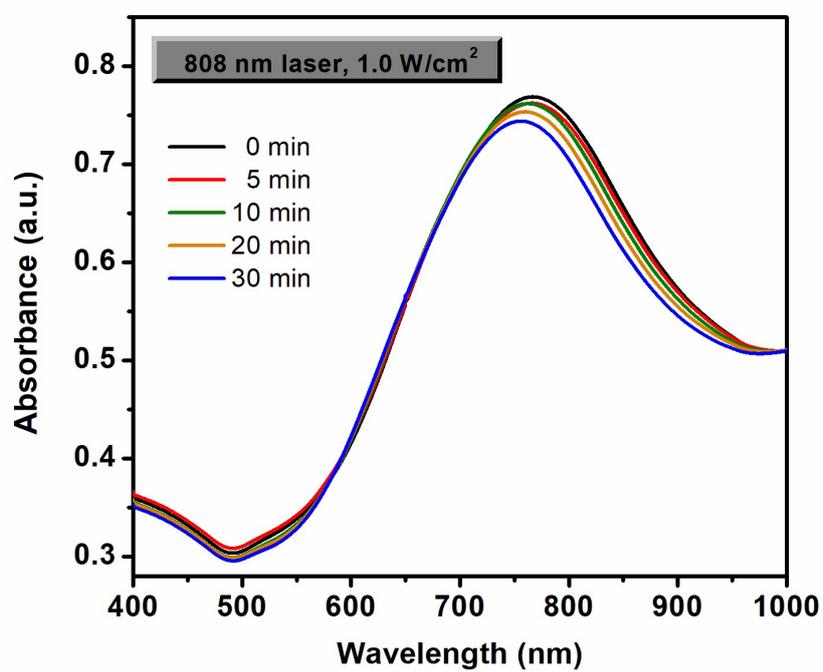
**Figure S5.** Linear fitting curve (time versus  $-\ln\theta$ ) of AuNSs in the falling temperature stage



**Figure S6.** Rising/falling temperature curve of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6



**Figure S7.** Linear fitting curve (time versus  $-\ln\theta$ ) of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 in the falling temperature stage



**Figure S8.** UV-vis absorbance spectra of AuNSs by changing irradiation time

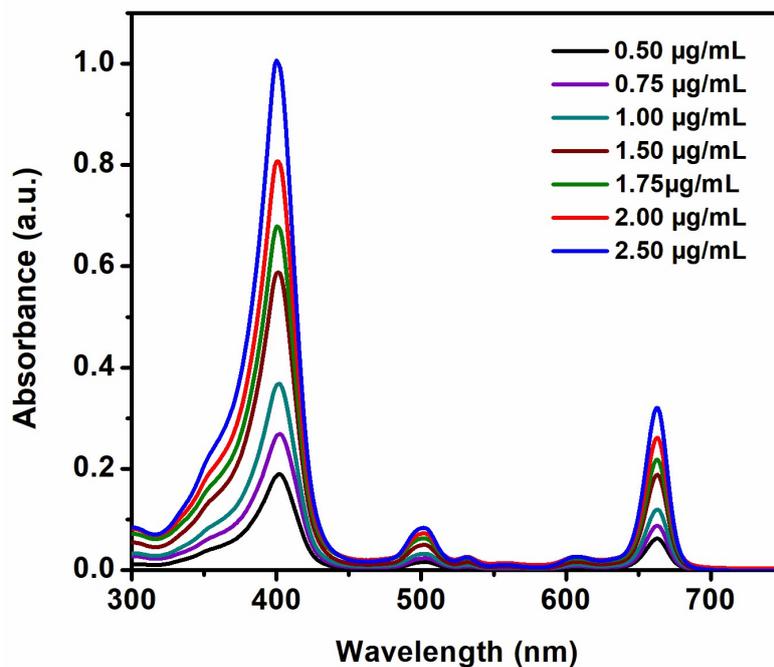


Figure S9. UV-vis absorbance spectra of free Ce6 with different concentrations

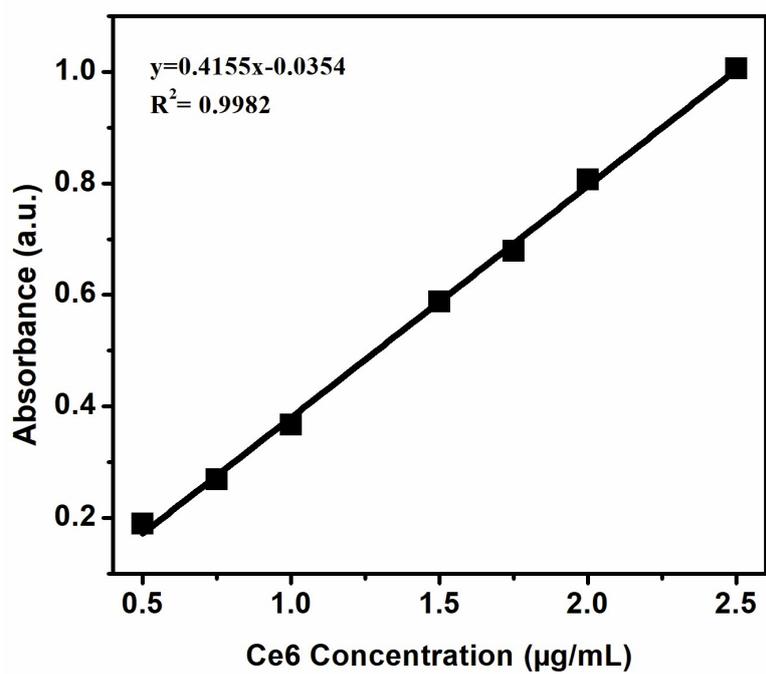
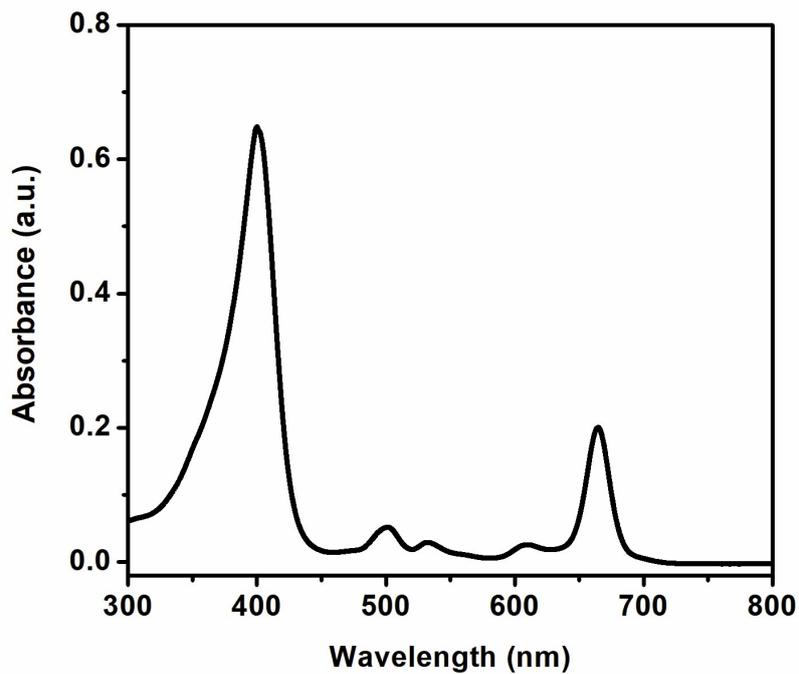
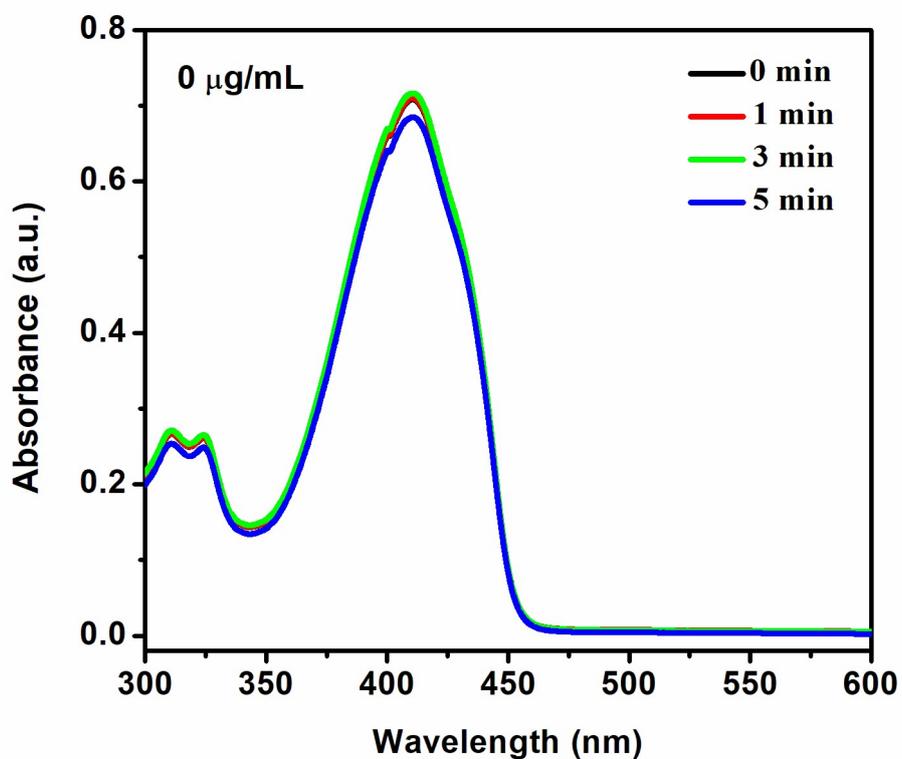


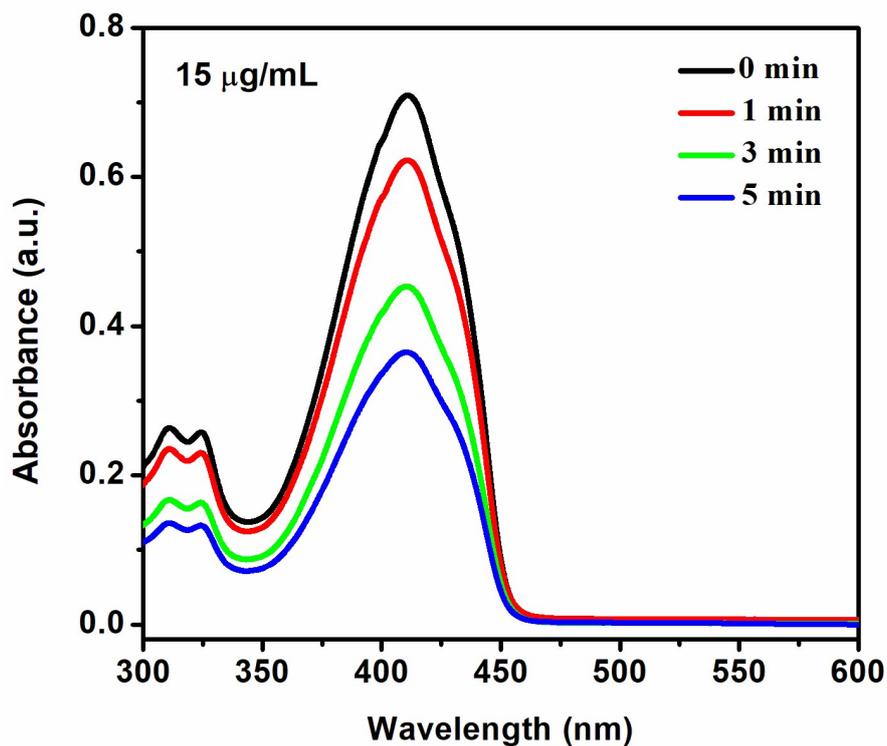
Figure S10. Standard curve of free Ce6



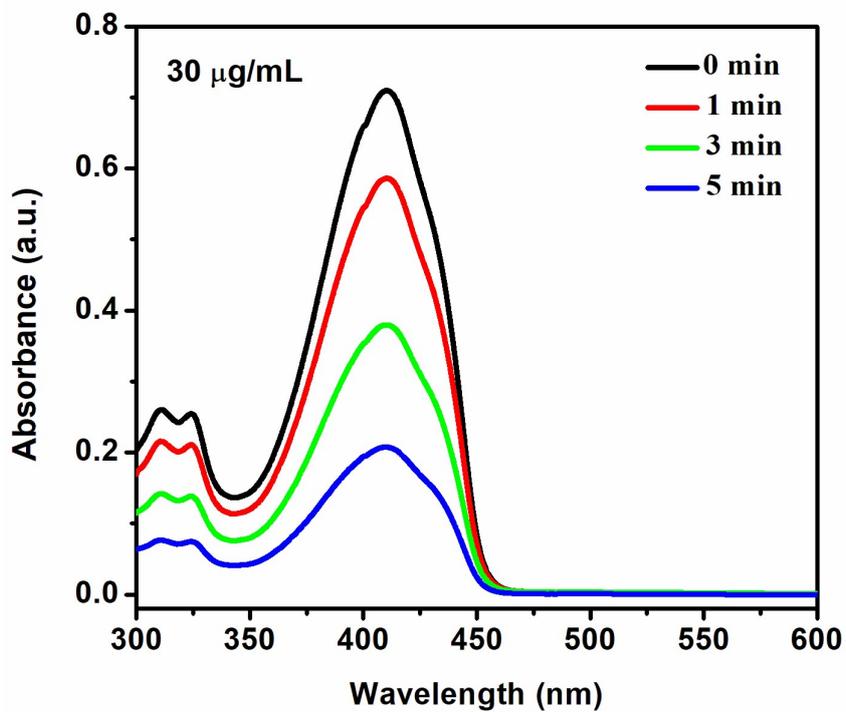
**Figure S11.** UV-vis absorbance spectrum of free Ce6 by measuring the supernatant of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6



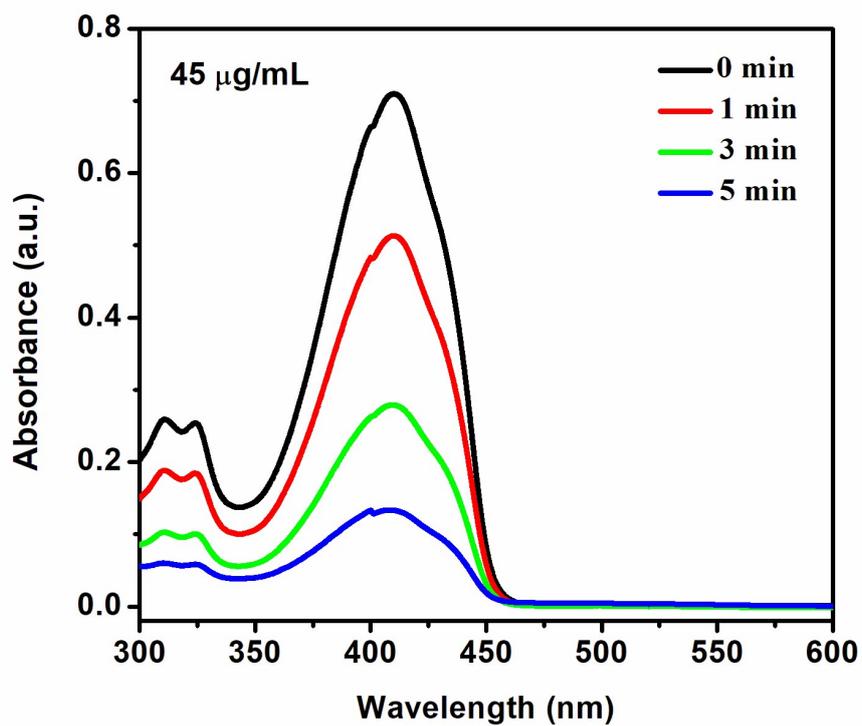
**Figure S12.** UV-vis absorbance spectra of free DPBF irradiated by a 635 nm laser.



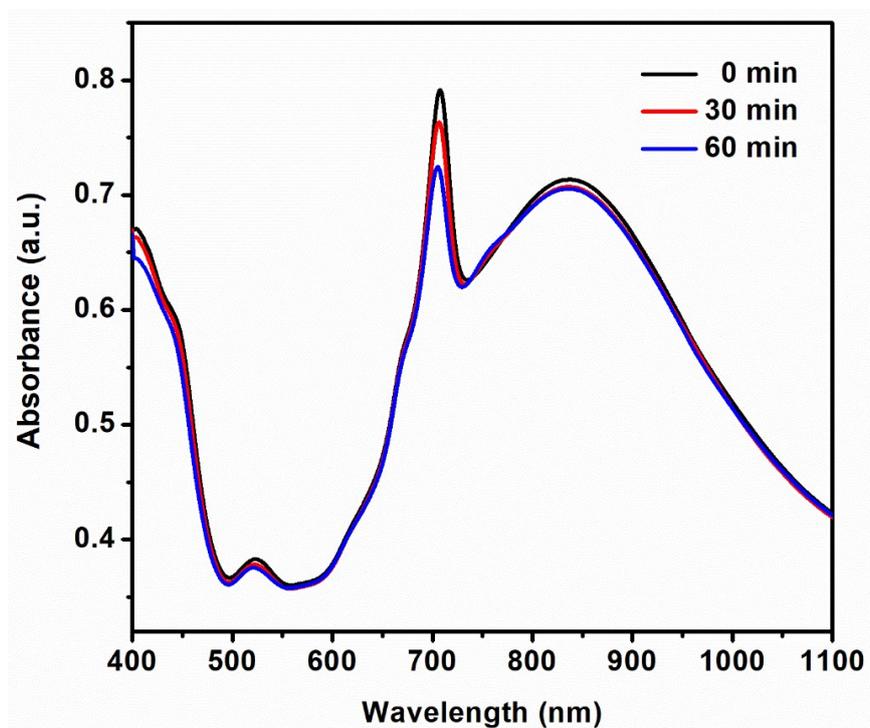
**Figure S13.** UV-vis absorbance spectra of DPBF mixed with AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 (15 µg/mL) irradiated by a 635 nm laser.



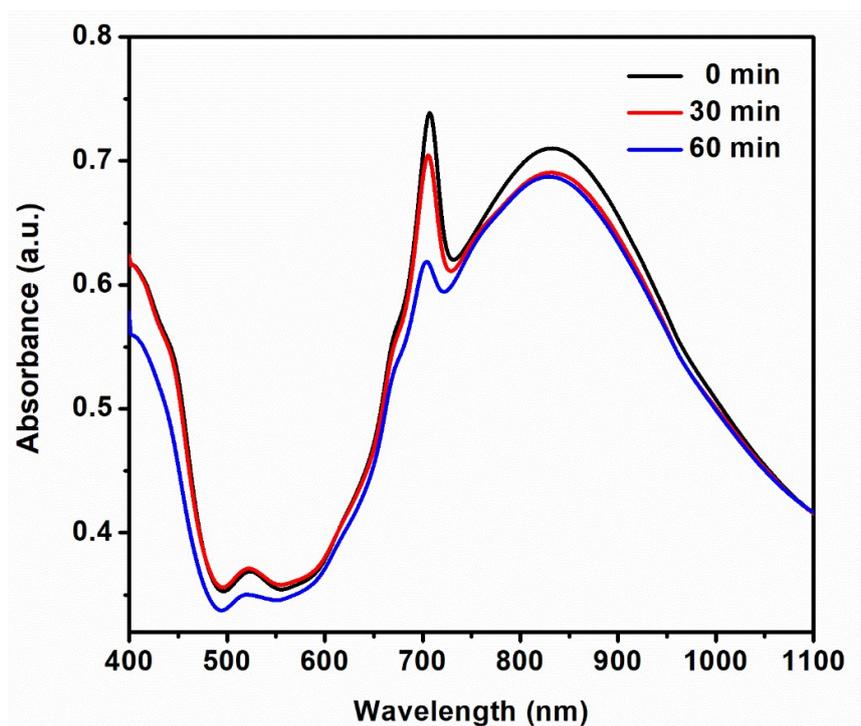
**Figure S14.** UV-vis absorbance spectra of DPBF mixed with AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 (30 µg/mL) irradiated by a 635 nm laser.



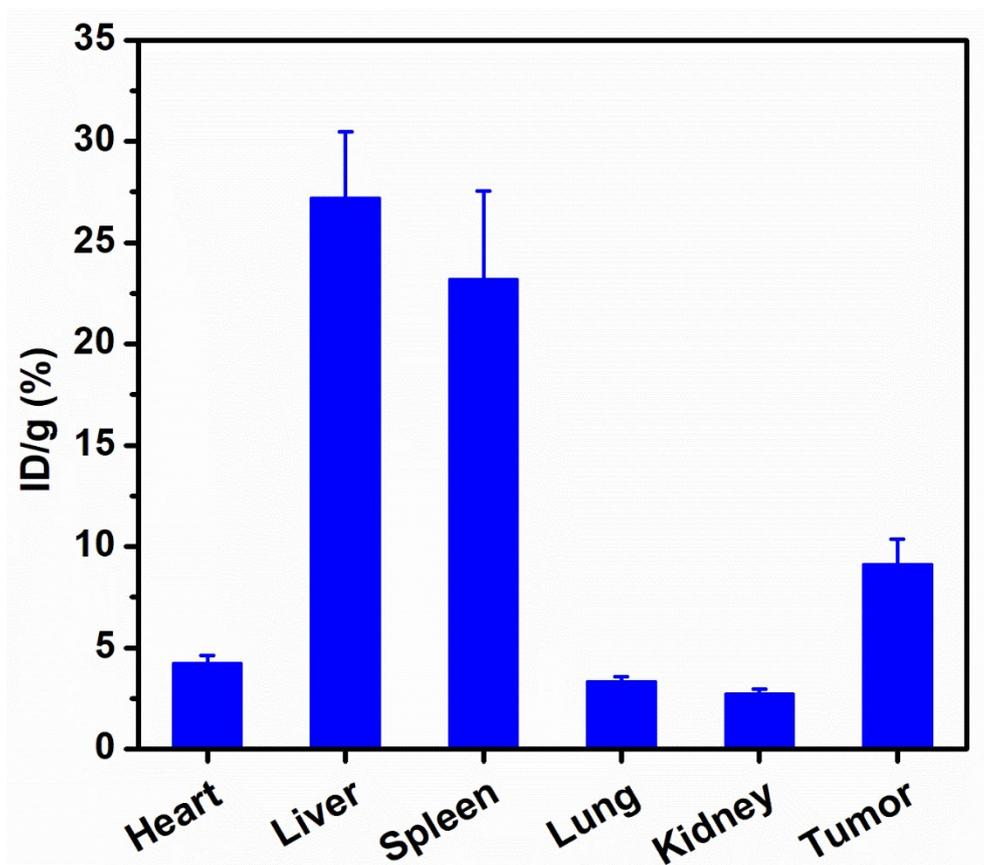
**Figure S15.** UV-vis absorbance spectra of DPBF mixed with AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 (45  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ) irradiated by a 635 nm laser.



**Figure S16.** UV-vis absorption spectra of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 supernatants incubated in 4T1 cells with different time.



**Figure S17.** UV-vis absorption spectra of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 supernatants incubated in blood with different time.



**Figure S18.** Bio-distribution of AuNSs@PDA-Ce6 in different organs of mice.

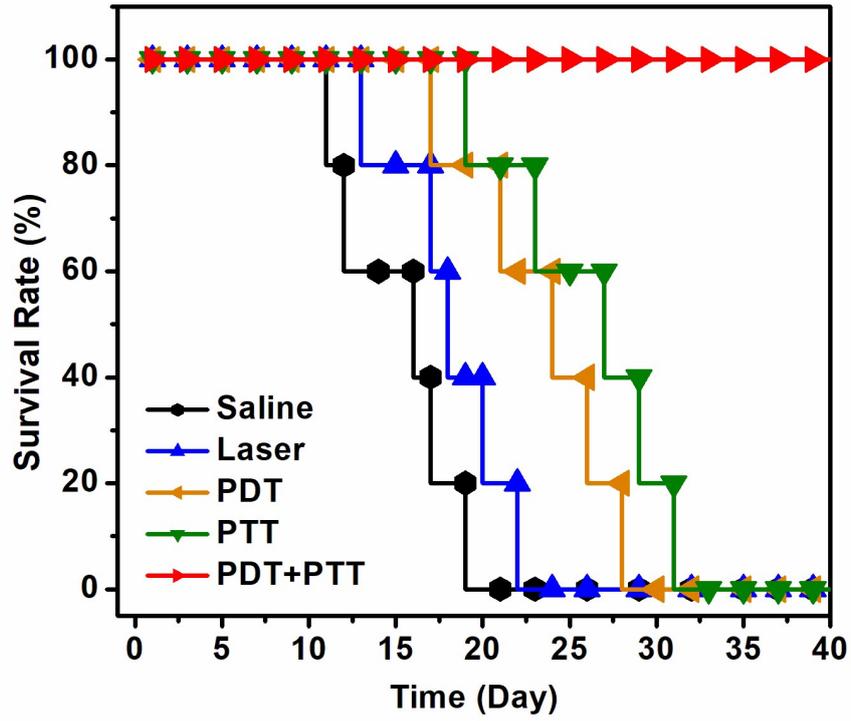


Figure S19. Survival rates of mice in all five groups.

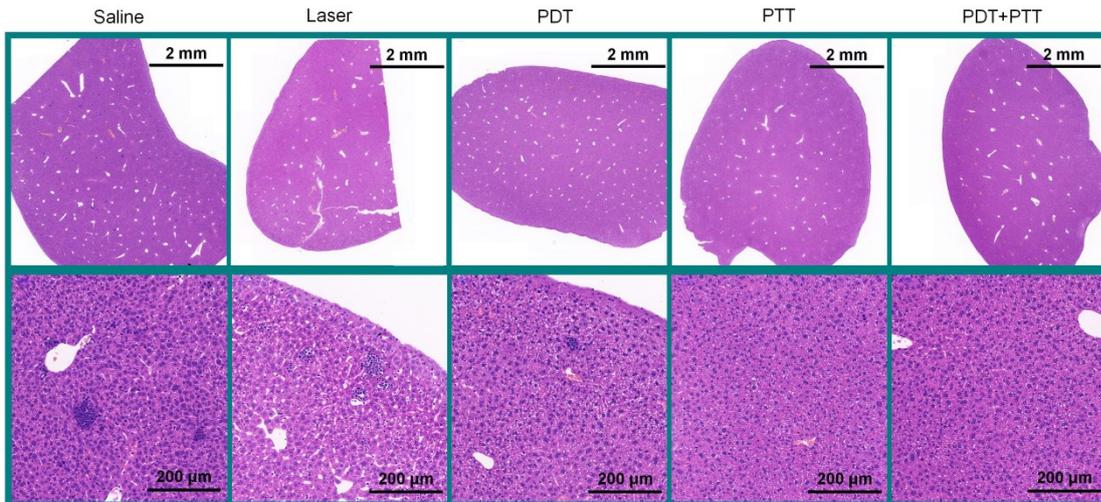


Figure S20. H&E staining images of liver of mice in all five groups.