

Supplemental Data

Movie1: After 1 hours of AuNPs-FAM-siRNA_{NPR1} infiltration, the fluorescence in *Nicotiana benthamiana* leaves was observed by confocal microscope.

Movie2: After 1-2 hours of AuNPs-FAM-siRNA_{NPR1} infiltration, the fluorescence in *Arabidopsis* protoplasts was observed by confocal microscope.

Figure S1: Estimation of FAM by laser confocal scanning microscope in *Nicotiana benthamiana* leaves.

Scanning 30 layers of *Nicotiana benthamiana* mesophyll cells from top to bottom, decompose the image of each layer. Images were taken under the excitation of 492nm wavelengths (green is the fluorescence of FAM). Bars = 5µm.

Figure S2: Protoplasts of *Arabidopsis* leaf epidermal cells 1 hour after injection by AuNPs-FAM-siRNA.

The green small spherical bright spots represented by the red arrow is AuNPs-FAM-siRNA. The blue arrow indicates the same position of these fluorescence in the bright field. Bars = 4µm.

Figure S3: The bacteria growth of plants inoculated with Pst DC3000 (*AvrRps4*) after different treatment for 3 days.

Columns 1: *npr1* infiltrated with buffer solution grew the most colonies (the colonies grew in the third row or even the fifth row)

Columns 2: the growth of colonies in the leaves of Col-0 plants infiltrated with AuNPs-siRNA_{NPR1} (no colonies in the third row, but many colonies in the second row)

Column 3: Col-0 infiltrated with buffer solution had the least colony growth (only a few colonies in the second row)

Table S1: Statistics of colonies after different treatments

Counted the number of colonies with corresponding dilution on the solid medium, and then calculated the total number of colonies by the following formula:

$$\text{Colony-Forming Units (cfu) /leaf disc} = ((\text{colonies} * 10^{\text{dilution}} / 10) * 500) / 2$$

Table S2: Zeta potential detected in this study.

Table S3: Particle sizes detected in this study.

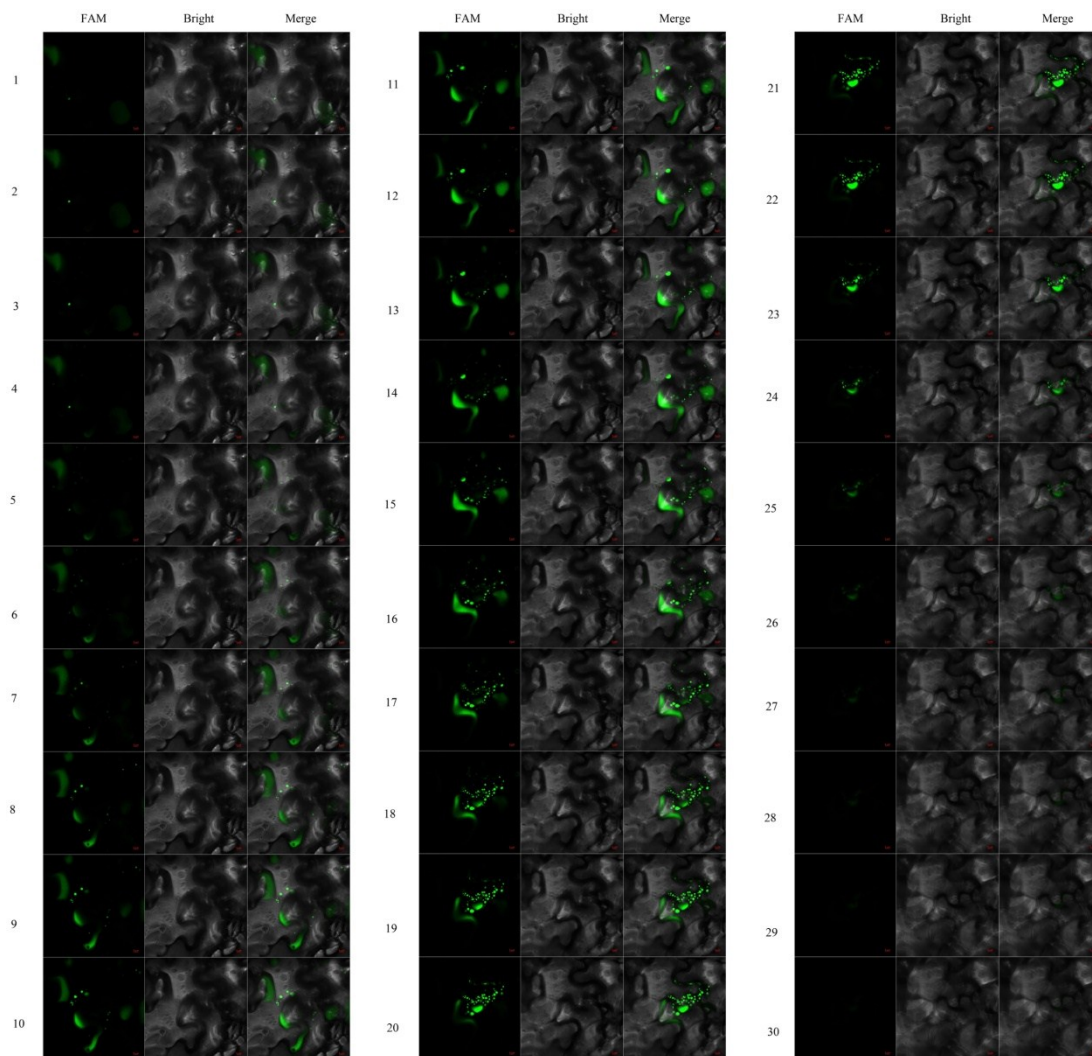


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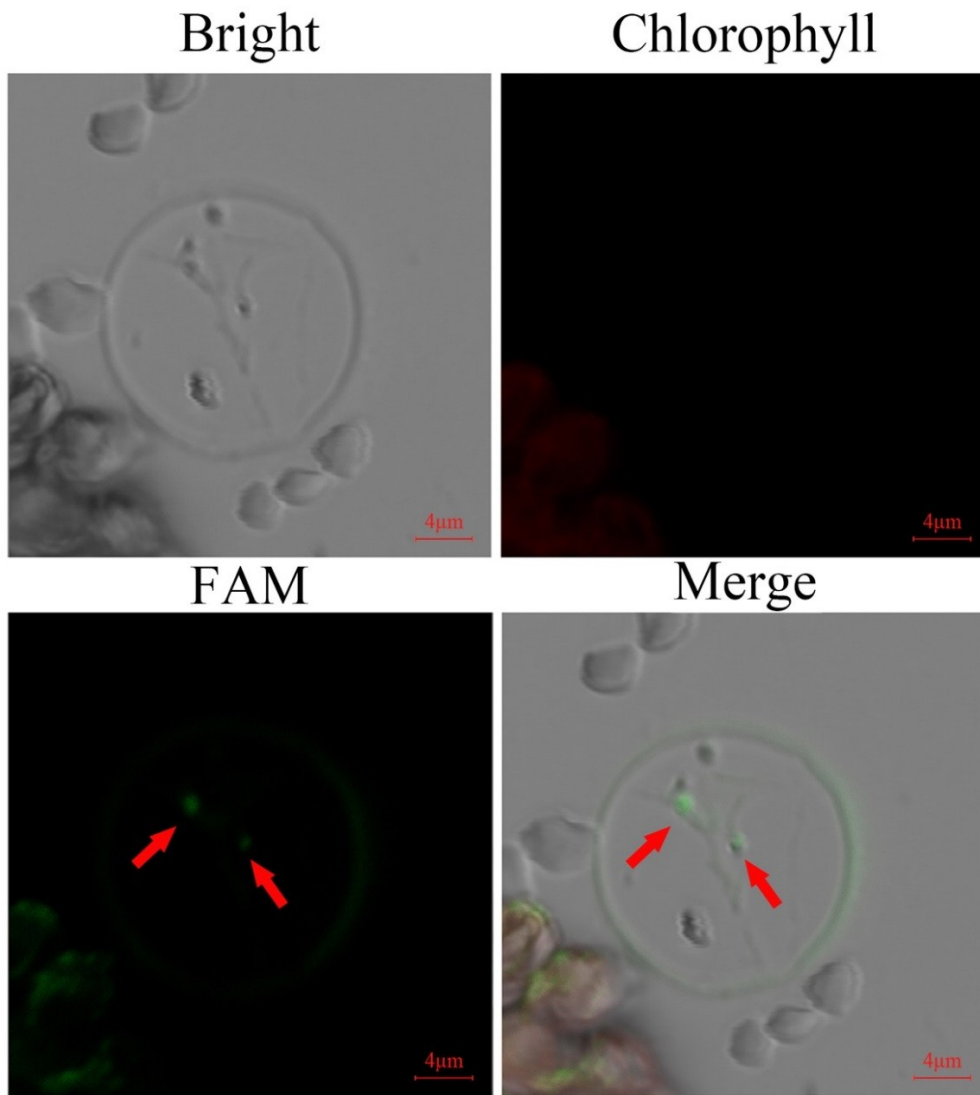


Figure S2

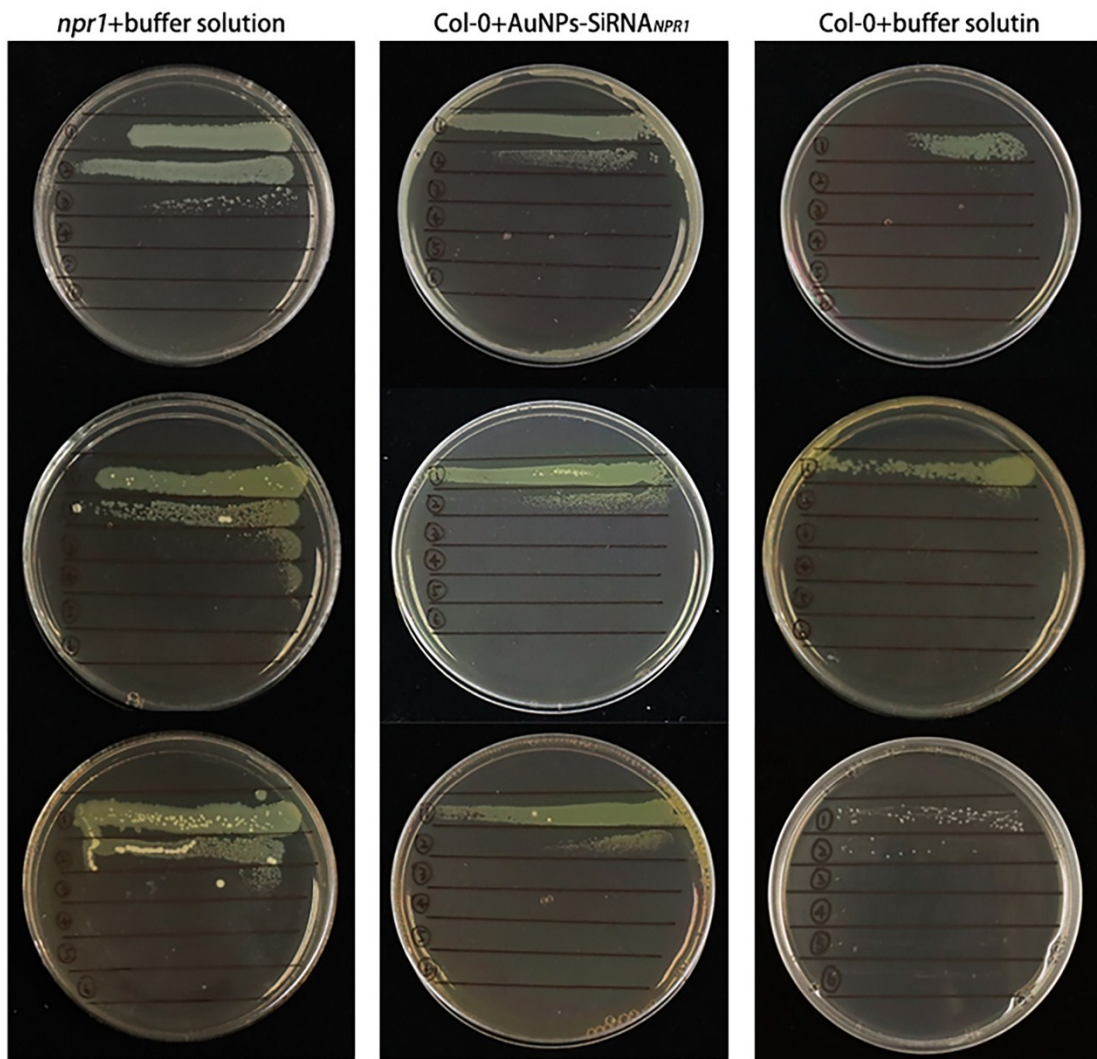


Figure S3

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Genotype	plant	colonies	dilution	cfu/leaf disc	log(cfu)	ave log
<i>npr1</i> + buffer solution	1	87	3	2175000	6.3375	6.5549
	2	5	5	12500000	7.0969	
	3	68	3	1700000	6.2304	
Col + SiRNA _{<i>NPR1</i>}	1	214	2	535000	5.7284	5.7251
	2	237	2	592500	5.7727	
	3	189	2	472500	5.6744	
Col + buffer solution	1	14	2	35000	4.5441	4.6484
	2	31	2	77500	4.8893	
	3	13	2	32500	4.5119	

Table S2: Zeta potential detected in this study

Type	Sample Name	T ° C	ZP mV	Mob µmcm/Vs	Cond mS/cm
Zeta	AU	25	25.4	1.988	0.00876
Zeta	AU	25	25.2	1.974	0.00922
Zeta	AU	25	26.8	2.098	0.0168
Zeta	Au+siRNA	25	3.14	0.01961	0.000477
Zeta	Au+siRNA	25	3.69	0.289	0.000366
Zeta	Au+siRNA	25	5.48	0.4294	0.00172
Mean Au		25.8			
Std Dev		18.38			
Mean Au+siRNA		4.10333			
Std Dev		1.22353			

Table S3: Particle sizes detected in this study

Type	Sample Name	T ° C	Z-Ave d_nm	PdI	Mean Count Rate kcps	Derived Count Rate kcps	Intercept	Pk1 Mean Size d_nm	Pk2 Mean Size d_nm	Pk3 Mean Size d_nm	
Size	Au	25	34.02	0.305	228.3	2056.7	0.91	49.27	4169	0	
Size	Au	25	33.52	0.303	224.3	2020.6	0.91	50.46	4306	0	
Size	Au	25	34.22	0.398	240.1	2163.4	0.908	49.02	4429	0	
Size	Au+SiRNA	25	37.6	0.526	332.3	2993.6	0.907	52.65	1018	3554	
Size	Au+SiRNA	25	38.79	0.55	362.5	3265.9	0.901	75.51	3673	0	
Size	Au+SiRNA	25	38.36	0.423	348.2	3137	0.905	200.5	0	0	
Mean Au		33.92									
Std Dev		0.36056									
Mean Au+SiRNA		38.25									
Std Dev		0.60258									