

# Carambola-like Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> superstructures with enhanced photoabsorption for highly efficient photothermal therapy in the second biowindow

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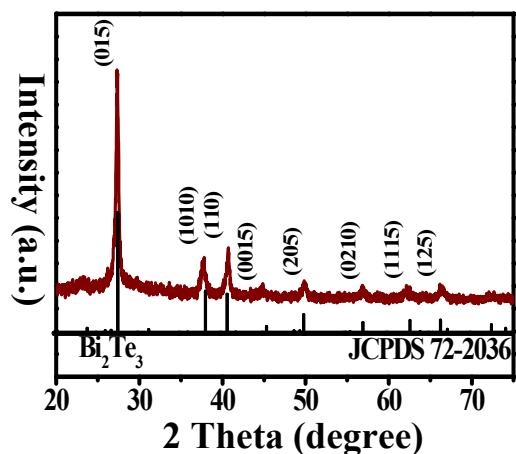


Fig. S1. XRD spectrum of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$ .

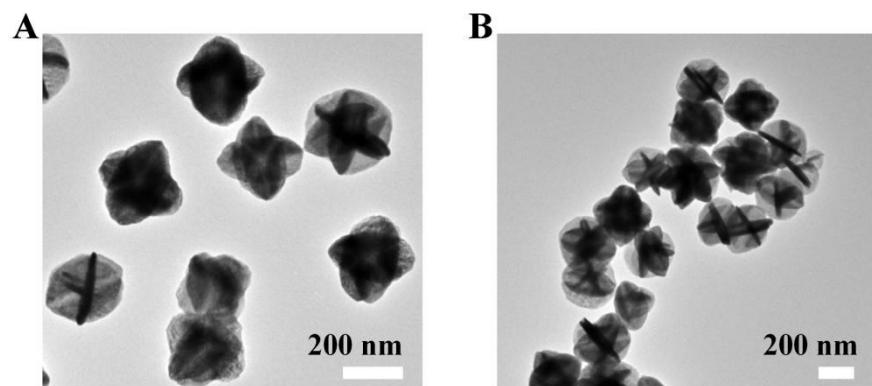


Fig. S2. TEM images of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3@\text{PEG}$ .

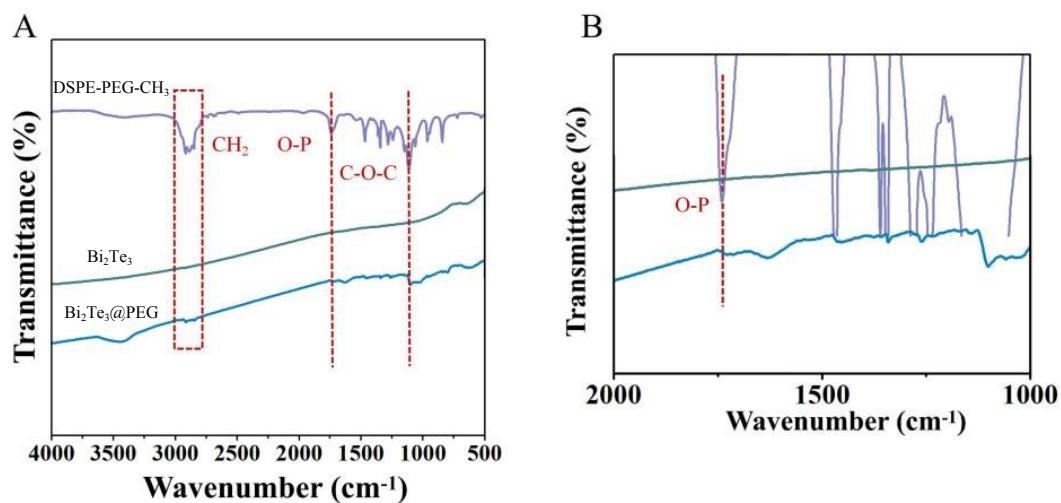


Fig. S3. (A) FT-IR spectra of DSPE-PEG-CH<sub>3</sub>, Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>, and Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>@PEG. (B) Partial enlargement of Fig. A (1000-2000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).

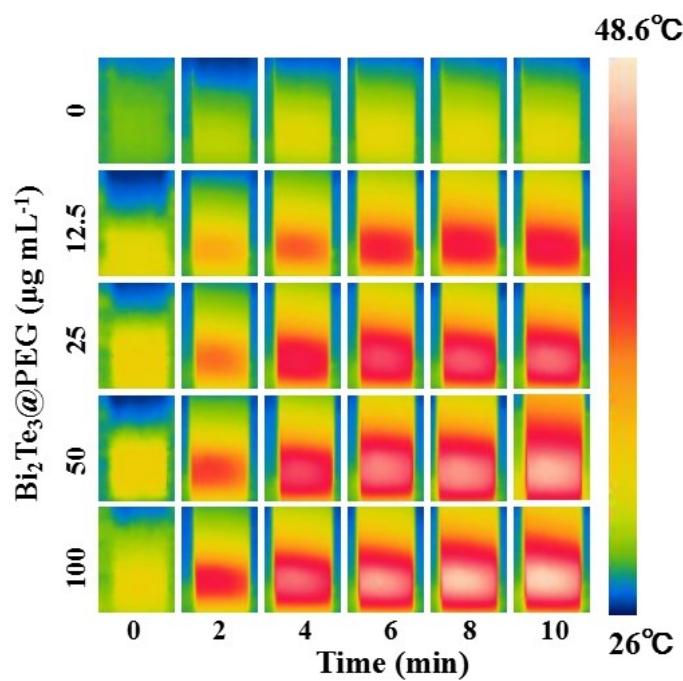


Fig. S4. Infrared thermal images of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3@\text{PEG}$  aqueous solutions irradiated with an 1064 nm laser ( $1 \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ ) from 0 to 10 min at varied concentrations (0, 12.5, 25, 50, 100 ppm).

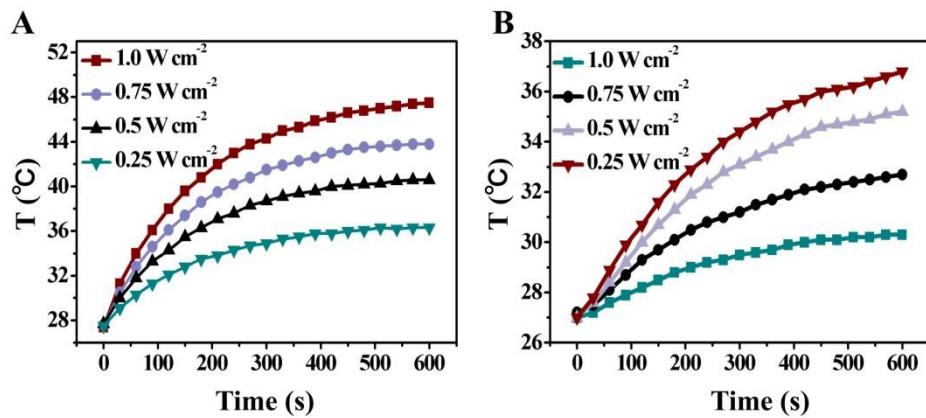


Fig. S5. (A) Temperature curves of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3@\text{PEG}$  (100 ppm) under the irradiation of 1064 nm laser with different power density ( $1, 0.75, 0.5, 0.25 \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ ). (B) Temperature curves of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$  nanoparticles (100 ppm) under the irradiation of 1064 nm laser with different power density ( $1, 0.75, 0.5, 0.25 \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ ).

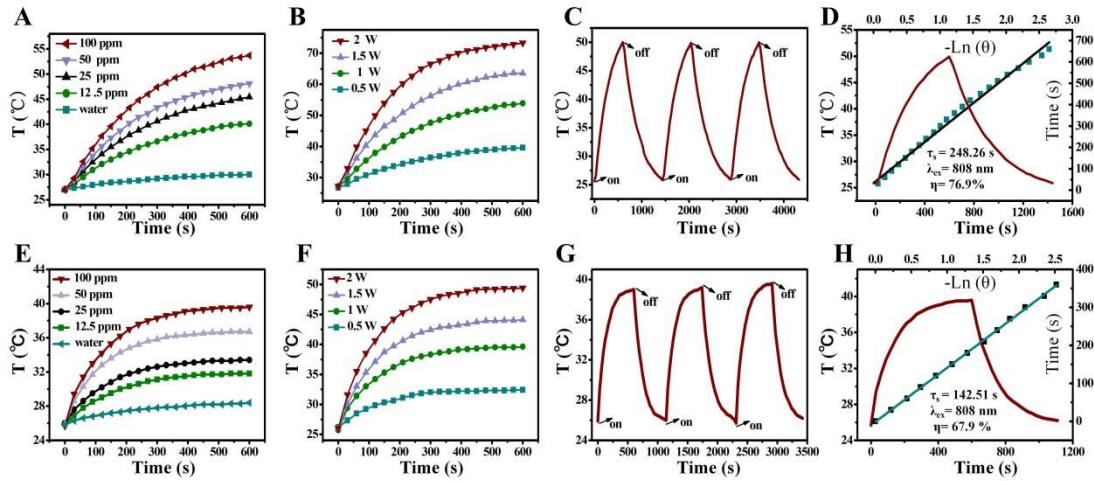


Fig. S6. (A) Temperature rise of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$ @PEG with different concentrations (0, 12.5, 25, 50, 100 ppm) under the irradiation of 808 nm laser ( $1 \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ ). (B) Temperature curves of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$ @PEG (100 ppm) under the irradiation of 808 nm laser with different power density (1, 0.75, 0.5, 0.25  $\text{W cm}^{-2}$ ). (C) Temperature of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$ @PEG over three on/off cycles of 808 nm laser. (D) Heating and cooling curves of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$ @PEG, linear time data acquired from the cooling period. (E) Temperature rise of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$  nanoparticles with different concentrations (0, 12.5, 25, 50, 100 ppm) under the irradiation of 808 nm laser ( $1 \text{ W cm}^{-2}$ ). (F) Temperature curves of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$  nanoparticles (100 ppm) under the irradiation of 808 nm laser with different power density (1, 0.75, 0.5, 0.25  $\text{W cm}^{-2}$ ). (G) Temperature of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$  nanoparticles over three on/off cycles of 808 nm laser. (H) Heating and cooling curves of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3$  nanoparticles, linear time data acquired from the cooling period.

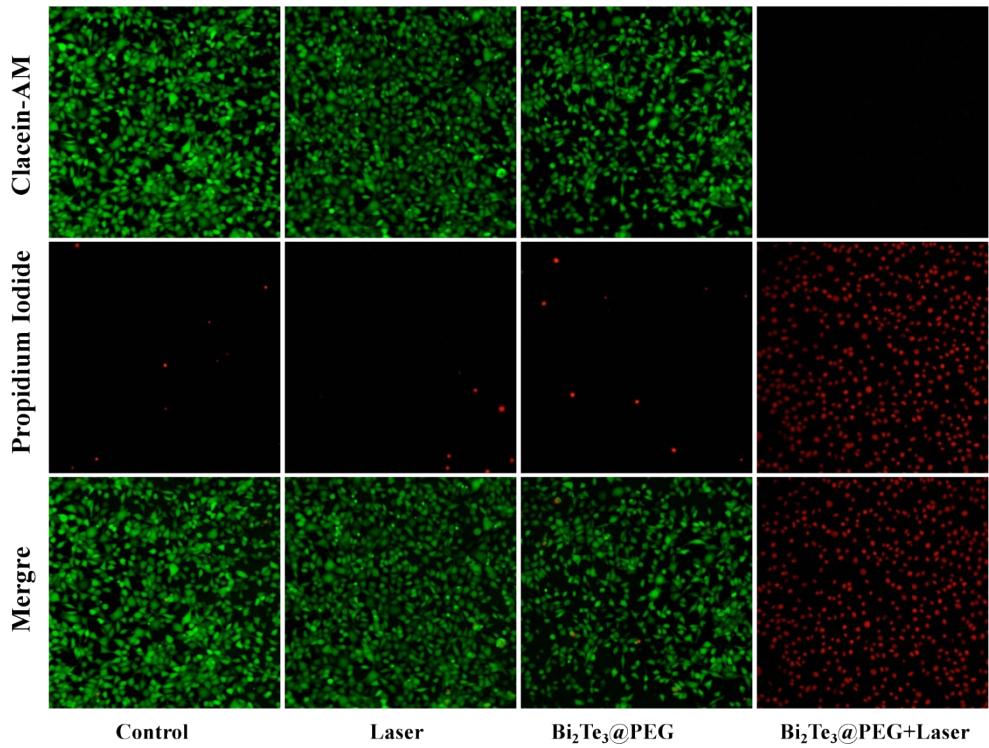


Fig. S7. Fluorescence images of L929 cells in different groups.

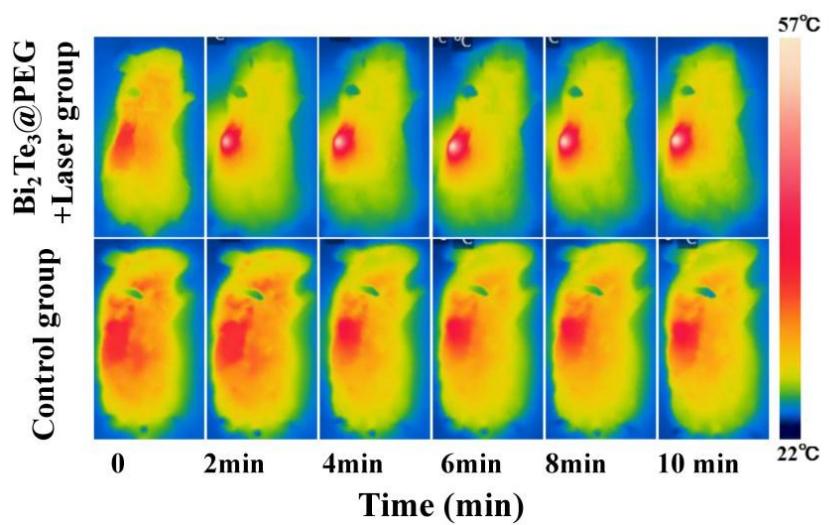


Fig. S8. In vivo thermal imaging of mice after treatment with (a) Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>@PEG + 1064 nm and (b) control (saline + 1064 nm).

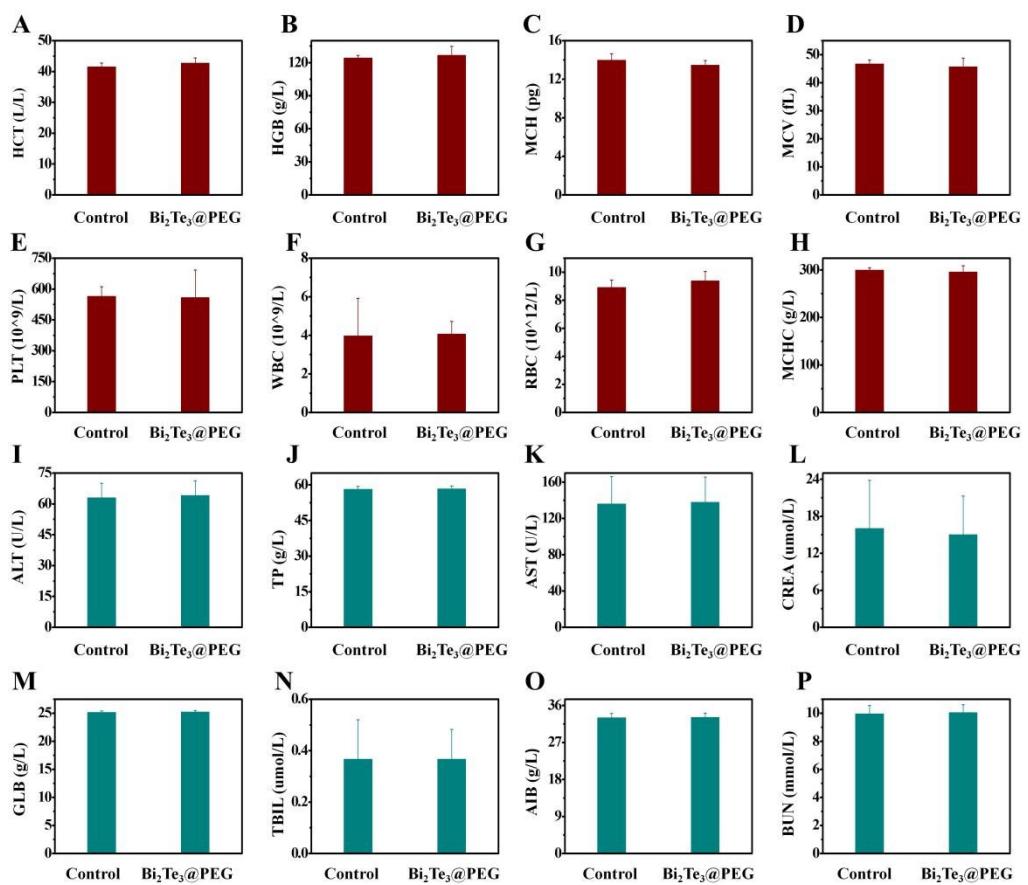


Fig. S9. (A-H) Hematological index and (I-P) biochemical blood analysis of the mice after intravenous injection of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Te}_3@\text{PEG}$  at 30 d.