Electronic supplementary information

## **Bio-catalytic nanoparticle shaping for preparing mesoscopic**

## assemblies of semiconductor quantum dots and organic molecules

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**Fig. S1** DLS profiles of (A) a precipitate precursor for **ms-QD** before treating with trypsin, (B) **QD-COOH**, and (C) **ms-QD** in 10 mM HEPES aq.



**Fig. S2** Z-Contrast (ZC)-STEM mode images, which are derived from scattered electrons, of **ms-QD** (A-F) in different positions on the TEM grid and (G) the image shown in Fig. 1G in which the scale bar indicates 300 nm.



**Fig. S3** FT-IR spectra of (A) L-lysin monohydrochloride, (B) TCPP, (C) **ms-QD** and (D) **ms-TCPP64**, and (E) their expanded spectra along with x-axis.



**Fig. S4** DLS profiles of (A) **mp-TCPP4**, (B) **mp-TCPP16**, (C) **mp-TCPP64**, (D) **mp-TCPP256** and (E) TCPP in 10 mM HEPES aq.

**Table S1.** The averaged hydrodynamic particle sizes with a standard deviation and poly-dispersibility index (PDI) obtained by the DLS measurements corresponding to Figure S2.

Averaged size (nm)	PDI
>5000	n.a.
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$106.2 \pm 28.7$	0.197
100.9 ± 25.6	0.142
20.3 ± 5.5	0.155
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**Fig. S5** X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) data of (A) L-lysin hydrochloride, (B) TCPP, and (D) **ms-TCPP64**. L-lysine shows a dominant peak derived from NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> because it is a hydrochloride salt<sup>1</sup>, while TCPP shows two characteristic peaks derived from the central unit of the porphyrin moiety.<sup>2</sup> **ms-TCPP64** demonstrates two characteristic peaks from the amide bonds and the amino moieties,<sup>1</sup> whereas the excess of the oligo-lysine moiety in ms-TCPP64 obscures the peaks seen in TCPP.



Fig. S6  $^{1}O_{2}$  generation ability assays using SOSG as the detecting reagent under an NIR light irradiation (Xe lamp, 700 ± 25 nm bandpass, 5 min, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>).



**Fig. S7** Photo images of (A) the precipitate precursor and (B) the resultant **mp-TAPP/HA**. (C) Absorption spectra and (D) DLS profiles of **mp-TAPP/HA** in water. (E) DLS profiles of the precipitate precursor treated with trypsin instead of hyaluronidase.



**Fig. S8** (A) Absorption spectra of (blue) sulfo-Cy5.5 (orange) and **rTPA** and, (B) Photoluminescence spectra ( $\lambda_{ex}$ : 650 nm and 480 nm) of (blue) Sulfo Cy5.5 and (orange) **rTPA** in 10 mM HEPES aq. (C) The molecular structures of (left) sulfo-Cy5.5 and (right) **rTPA** 



**Fig. S9** (A) The averaged hydrodynamic particle sizes of **ms-QD** with an additive (blue circle: sulfo-Cy5.5, and orange triangle: **rTPA**) obtained by DLS measurements in 10 mM HEPES aq. (B) An expanded plot along with the x-axis. Error bars indicate a standard deviation.



**Fig. S10** (A) The averaged hydrodynamic particle sizes of **mono-QD** with an additive (blue circle: sulfo-Cy5.5, and orange triangle: **rTPA**) obtained by DLS measurements in 10 mM HEPES aq. (B) An expanded plot along with the x-axis. Error bars indicate a standard deviation. The large error bars indicate the size distributions are broad.



Fig. S11 Absorption spectra and photoluminescence spectra ( $\lambda_{ex}$ , 405 nm) of (A and B) ms-QD and (C and D) **rTPA@ms-QD** in 10 mM HEPES aq. Laser microscopic images of (E and G) **rTPA@ms-QD** and (F and H) **rTPA@mono-QD** on a glass coverslip under the identical excitation laser powers at (E and F) 800 nm *fs*-laser and (G and H) 405 nm CW laser with the identical detector sensitivity on the best focus.

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