

Supporting Information

A Multifunctional Nano booster to Restore Ceftazidime Susceptibility in Mucoid *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*

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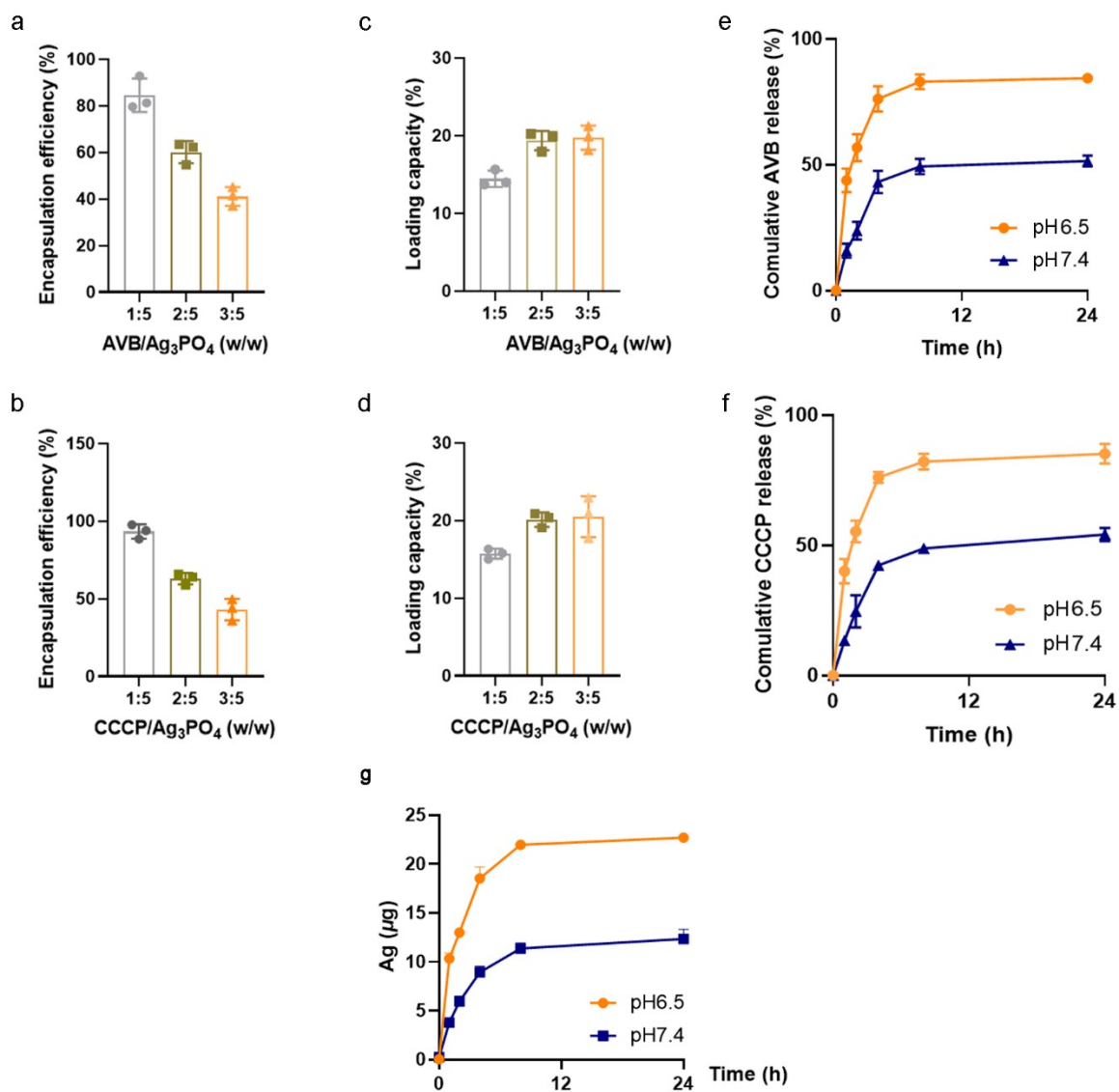


Figure S1. Loading and *in vitro* release behaviors of AVB, CCCP, and Ag⁺ from A/C-pAg₃PO₄. (a, b) Encapsulation efficiency of AVB (a) and CCCP (b) onto pAg₃PO₄ as a function of weight ratio (w/w). (c, d) Loading capacity of AVB (c) and CCCP (d) onto the pAg₃PO₄ at different weight ratios (w/w). (e, f) Cumulative release profiles of AVB (e) and CCCP (f) from A/C-pAg₃PO₄ at pH 6.5 and pH 7.4 over 24 h. (g) Cumulative release profiles of Ag⁺ from A/C-pAg₃PO₄ at pH 6.5 and pH 7.4 over 24 h. Data are represented as mean ± SD (n = 3).

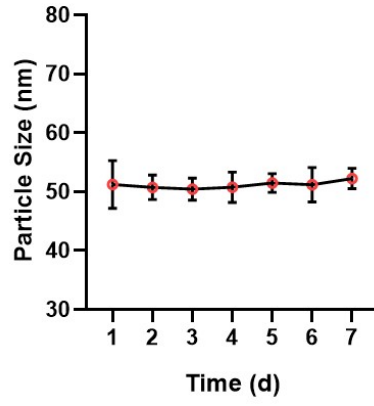


Figure S2. Stability of A/C-pAg₃PO₄ in 7 days. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3).

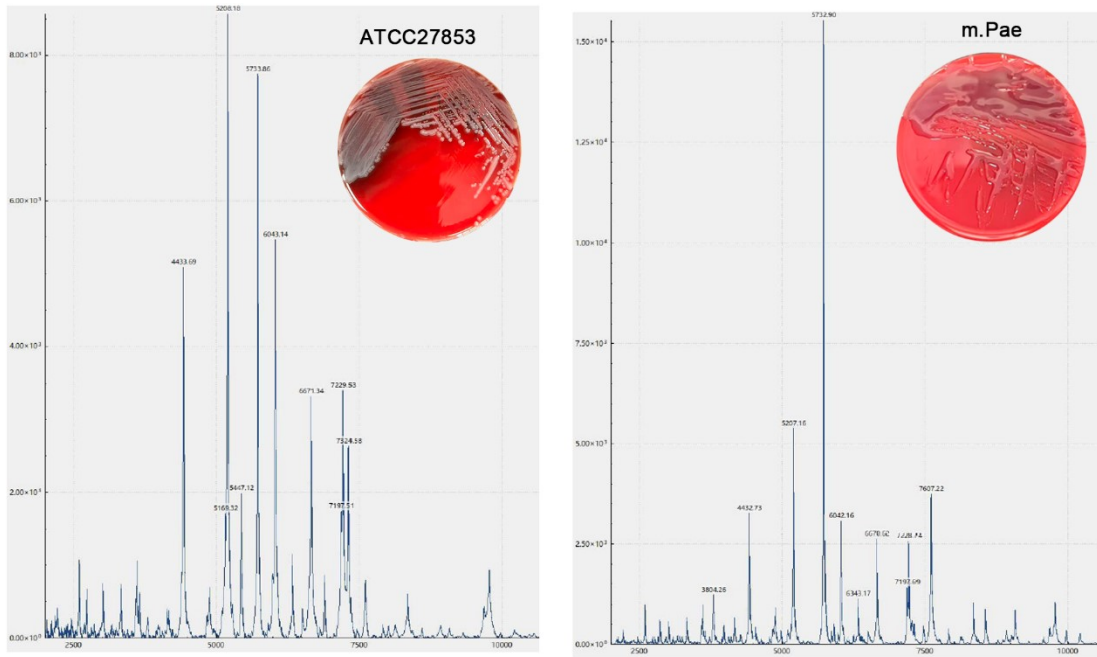


Figure S3. Mass spectrometry identification and photographs of the *PAE* ATCC 27853 (left) and the *m.PAE* (right).

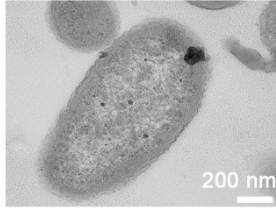


Figure S4. Representative TEM images of m.PAE treated with A/C-pAg₃PO₄ for 6 h. Scale bar represents 200 nm.

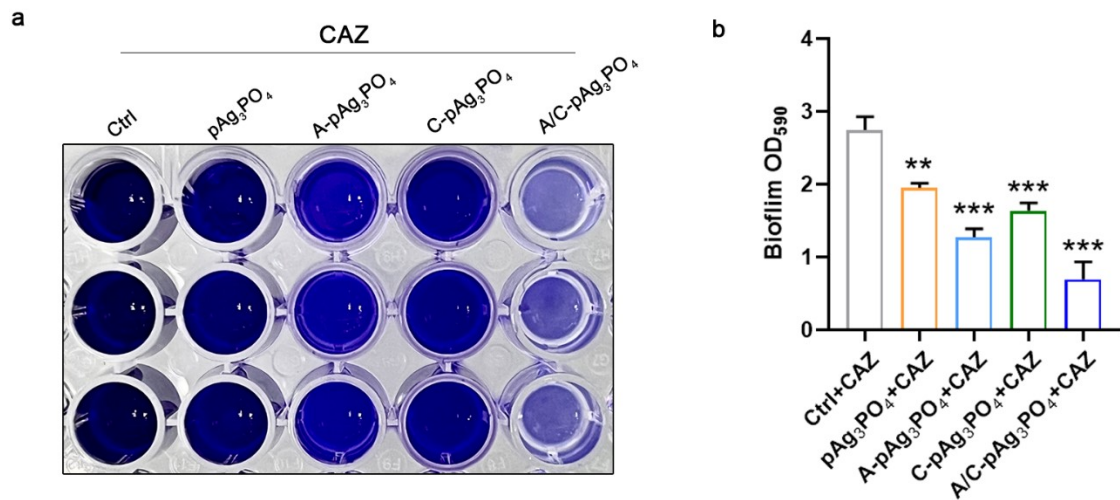


Figure S5. Biofilm elimination effects of nano booster. (a) Photographs of crystal-violet-stained biofilms after treatment with CAZ and nano booster. (b) Residual biofilm quantitation by crystal violet absorbance at 590 nm. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.

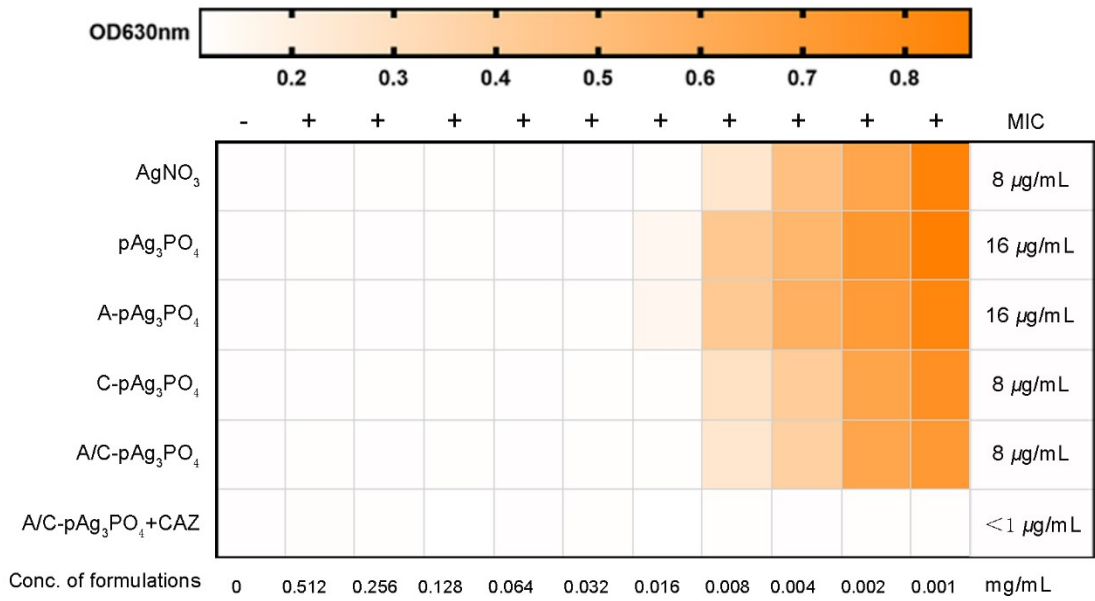


Figure S6. The MIC of different treatments (AgNO₃, pAg₃PO₄, A-pAg₃PO₄, C-pAg₃PO₄, A/C-pAg₃PO₄, and A/C-pAg₃PO₄+CAZ) against the *m.PAE*.

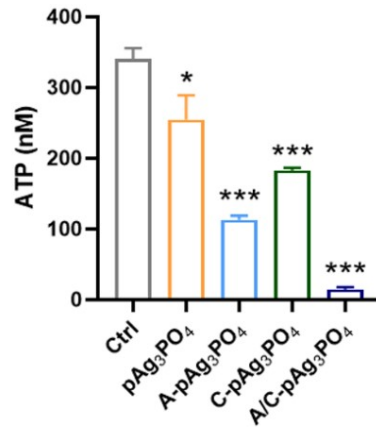


Figure S7. ATP levels of bacterial supernatant. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, * $P < 0.05$, *** $P < 0.001$.

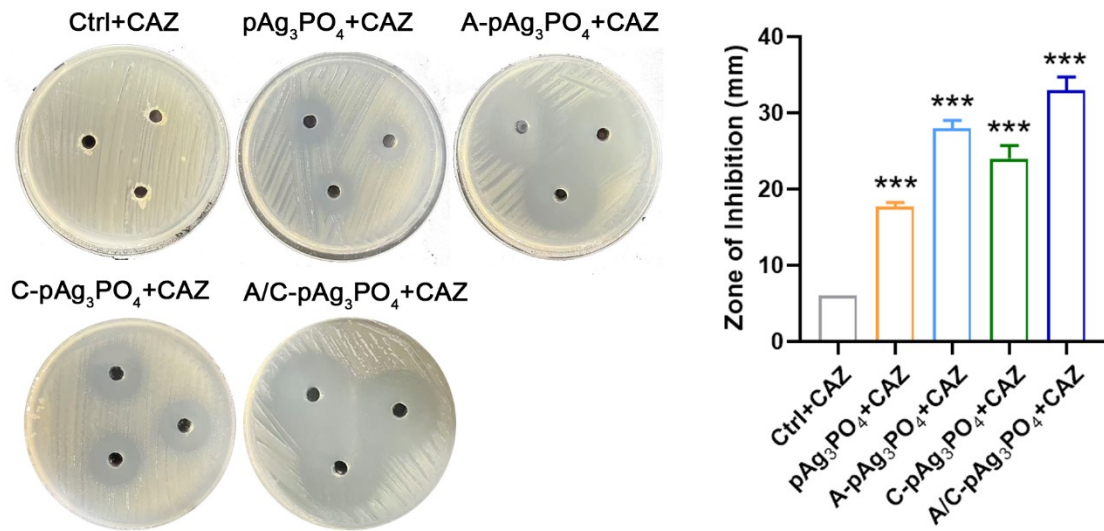


Figure S8. Antibacterial activity of nano booster against *m.PAE*. Data are represented as mean \pm SD ($n = 3$). Student's *t*-test, *** $P < 0.001$.

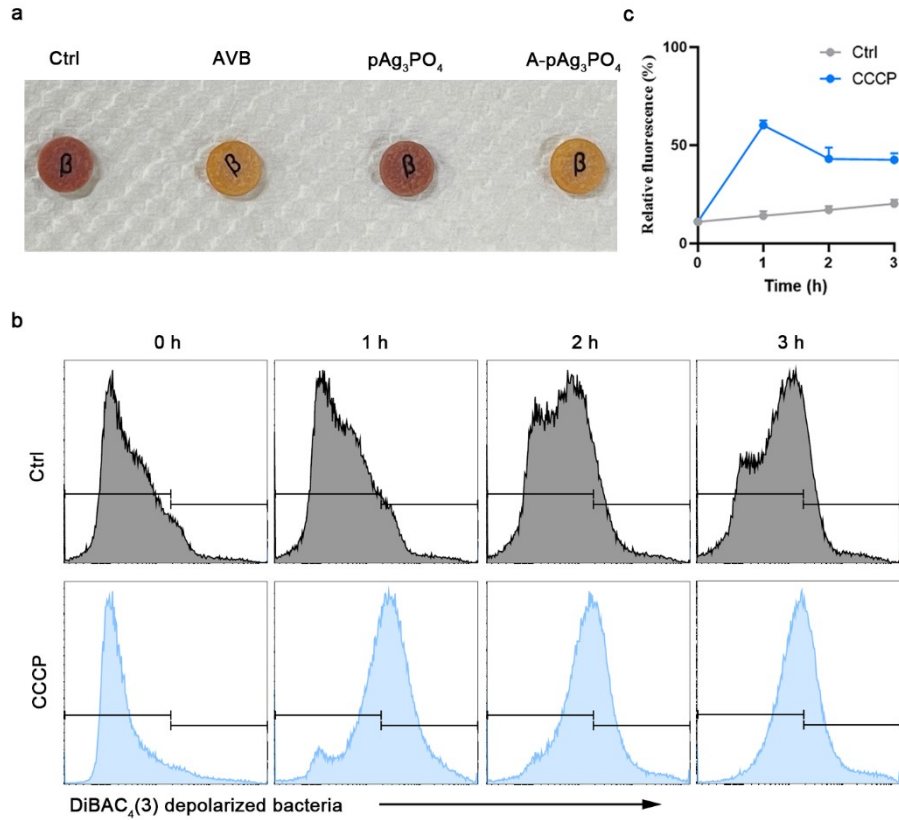


Figure S9. Mechanistic studies of AVB and CCCP. (a) Nitrocefin disc assay for *m.PAE* with different treatments. (b, c) Fluorescence (b) and the quantification (c) for *m.PAE* with the membrane depolarization dye DiBAC₄(3). Data are represented as mean ± SD (n = 3).

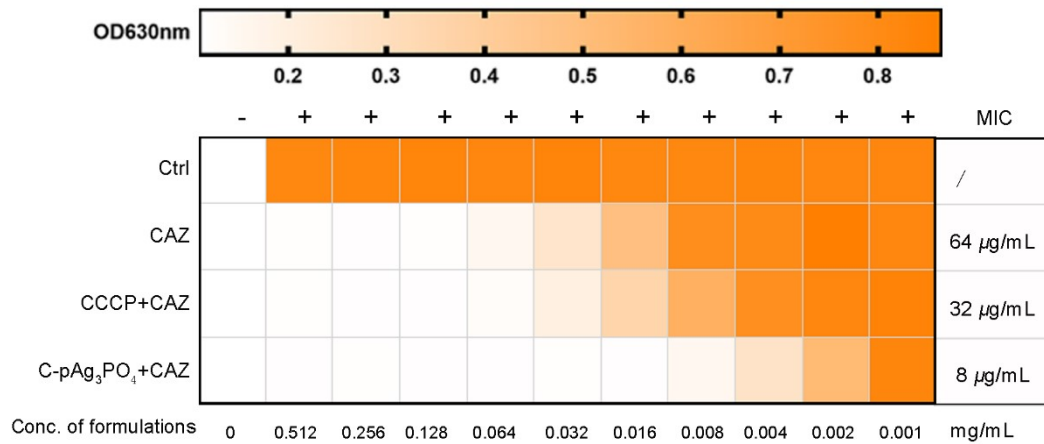


Figure S10. The MIC of different treatments (CAZ, CCCP+CAZ, C-pAg₃PO₄+CAZ) against the *m.PAE*.

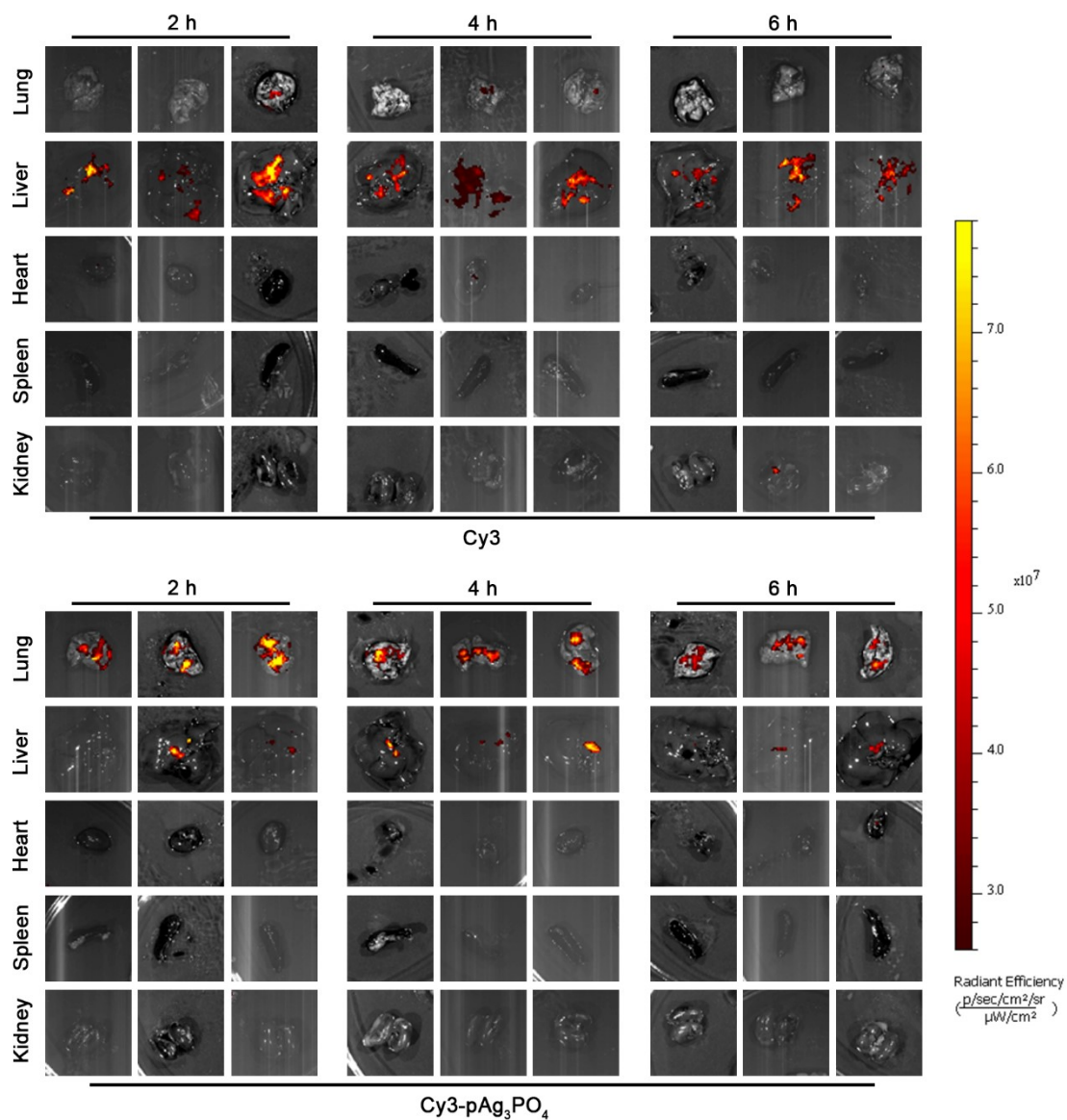


Figure S11. Representative *ex vivo* fluorescence images of main organs at various timepoints after intranasal administration of Cy3 or Cy3-pAg₃PO₄.

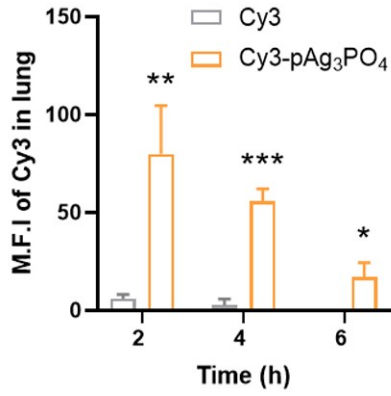


Figure S12. Quantification of Cy3 or Cy3-pAg₃PO₄ (red) distribution in lung sections. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.

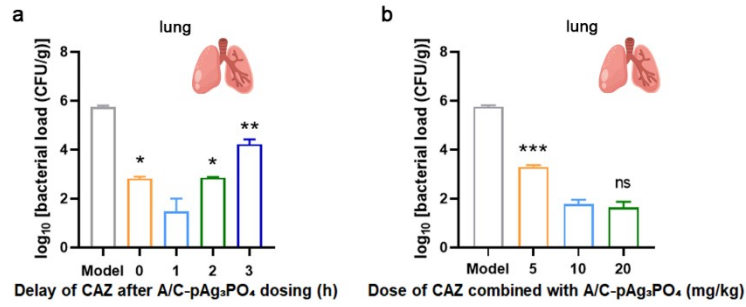


Figure S13. Quantitative analysis of CFUs from lung homogenates after treatment with CAZ at different time points (a) or at different doses (b) in a bacterial pneumonia model infected with *m.PAE*. Data are represented as mean \pm SD ($n = 3$). Student's *t*-test, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$, ns means not significant.

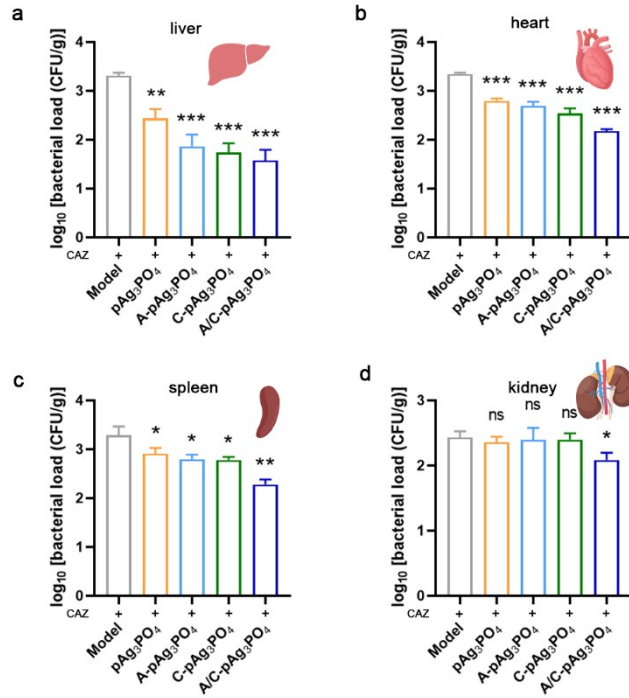


Figure S14. Quantitative analysis of CFUs from liver (a), heart (b), spleen (c) and kidney (d) homogenates in a bacterial pneumonia model infected with *m.PAE*. Data are represented as mean \pm SD ($n = 3$). Student's *t*-test, * $P < 0.05$, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$, ns means not significant.

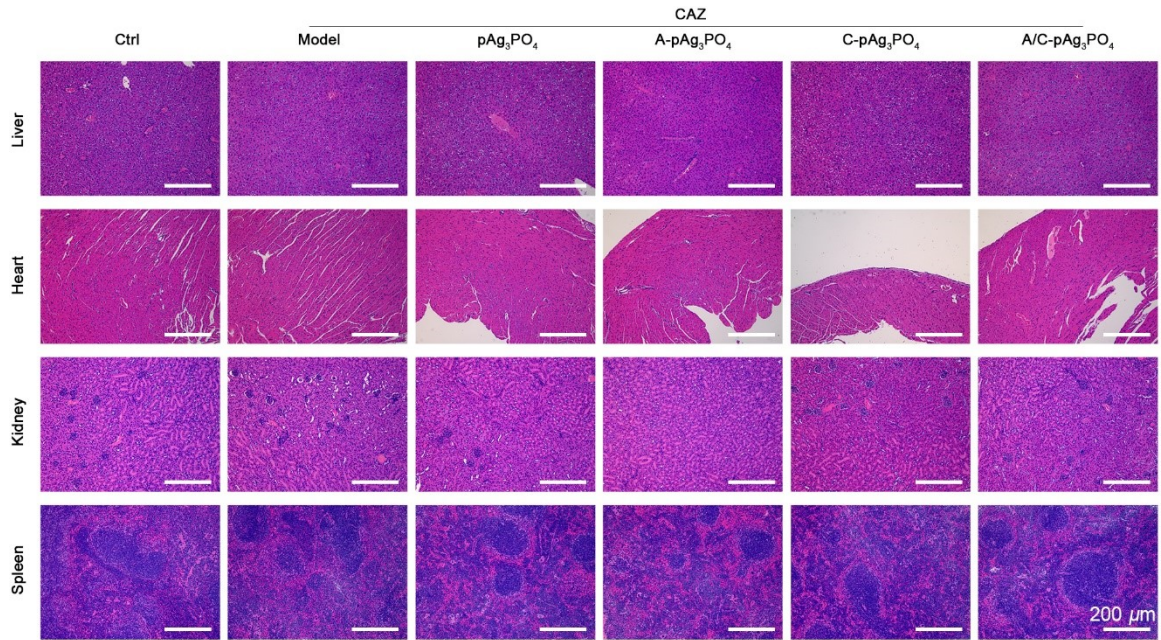


Figure S15. Representative H&E-stained major organ sections in a bacterial pneumonia model infected with *m.PAE*. Scale bars = 200 μm .

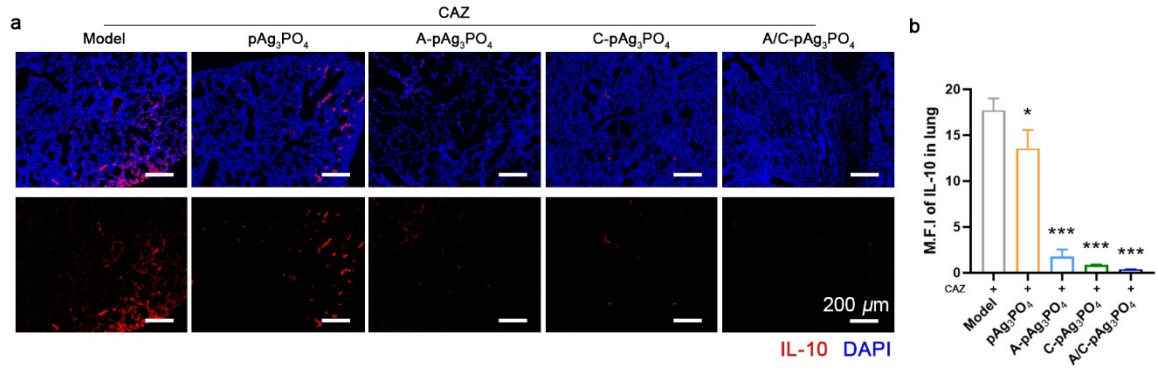


Figure S16. Fluorescent imaging(a) and quantifications(b) of IL-10 in lung tissues. Red: IL-10; Blue: DAPI (nuclei). Scale bars = 200 μ m. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, * $P < 0.05$, *** $P < 0.001$.

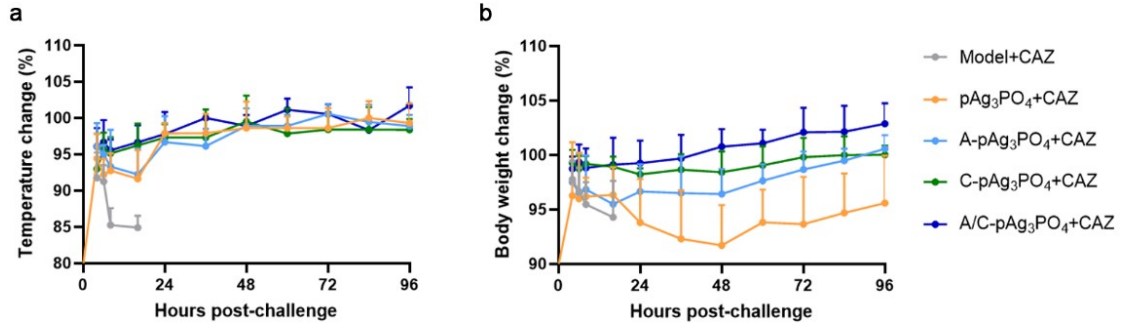


Figure S17. The average percent temperature change (a) and the average percent body weight change (b) of each group in a sepsis model infected with *m.PAE*. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 5).

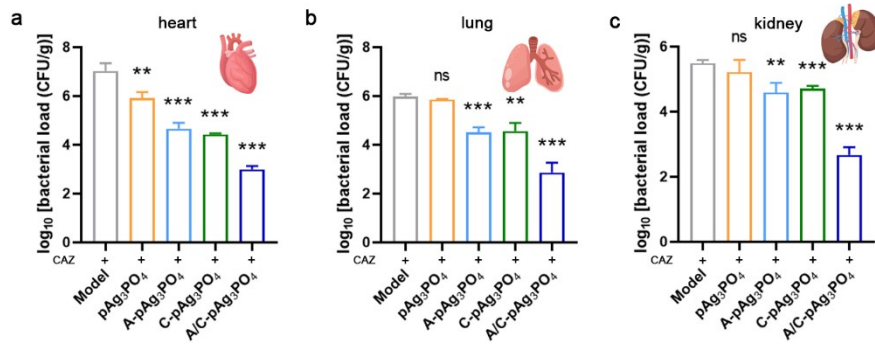


Figure S18. Quantitative analysis of CFUs from heart (a), lung (b) and kidney (c) homogenates in a sepsis model infected with *m.PAE*. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$, ns means not significant.

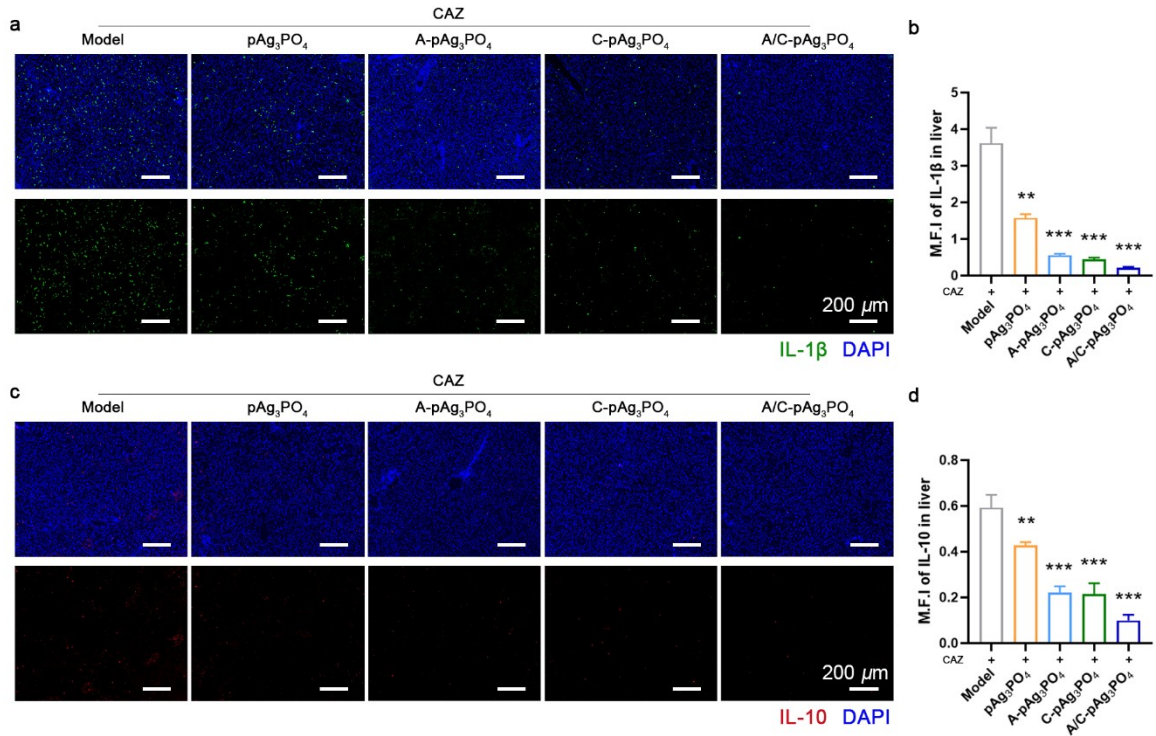


Figure S19. Immunofluorescence staining and quantification of IL-1 β (a, b) and IL-10 (c, d) in liver tissues in a sepsis model infected with *m.PAE*. Green: IL-1 β ; Red: IL-10; Blue: DAPI (nuclei). Scale bars = 200 μ m. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, ** $P < 0.01$, *** $P < 0.001$.

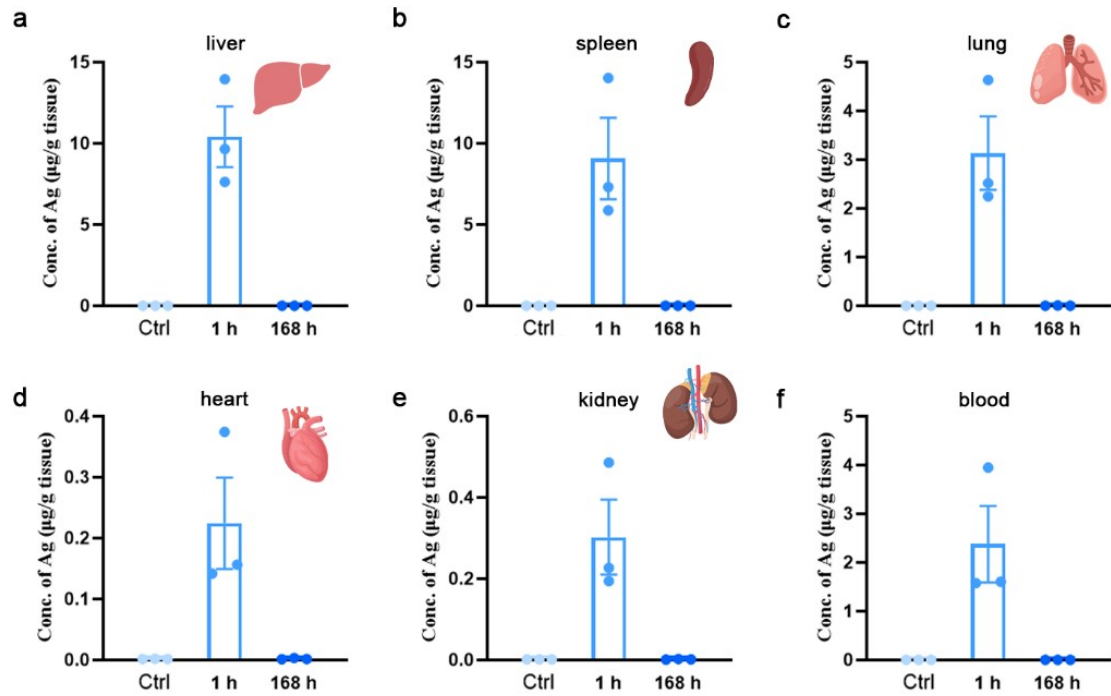


Figure S20. Silver concentrations in different organs ($\mu\text{g/g}$ tissue) at different time points after A/C-pAg₃PO₄ treatment. At Ctrl group and 168 h post-treatment group, silver content in all organs did not exceed 10 ng/g tissue.

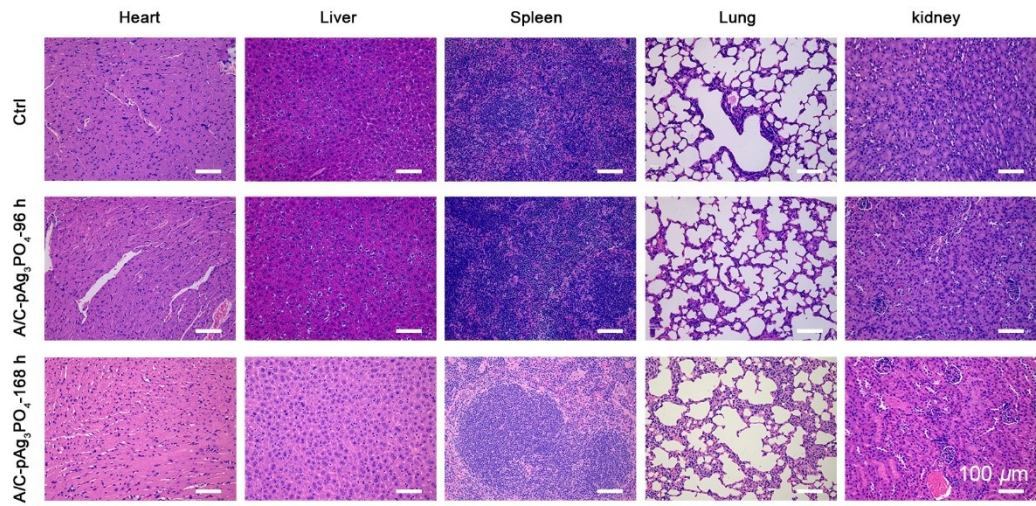


Figure S21. H&E staining of histology sections from major organs 96 h and 168 h after the intraperitoneal injection of A/C-pAg₃PO₄. Scale bars = 100 μm.

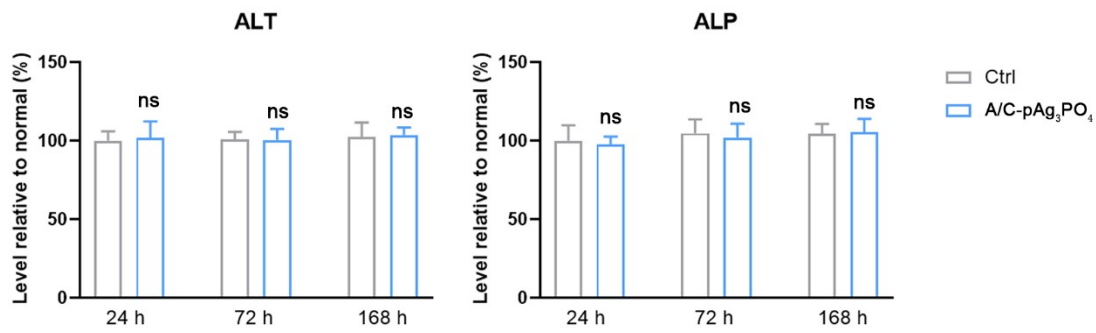


Figure S22. Comprehensive blood chemistry panel taken 24 h, 72 h and 168 h after the intraperitoneal injection of PBS or A/C-pAg₃PO₄. ALP, alkaline phosphatase; ALT, alanine transaminase. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, ns means not significant.

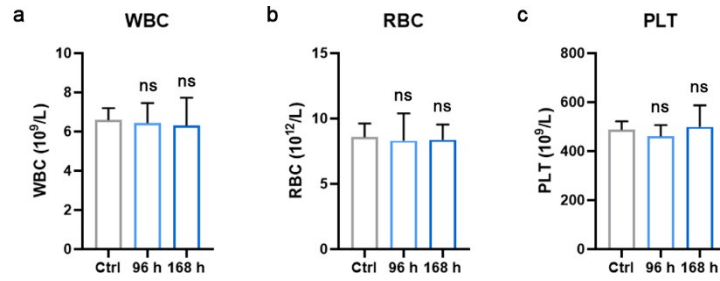


Figure S23. Counts of various blood cells 96 h and 168 h after the intraperitoneal injection of PBS or A/C-pAg₃PO₄. (a) WBC, white blood cells; (b) RBC, red blood cells; (c) PLT, platelets. Data are represented as mean \pm SD (n = 3). Student's *t*-test, ns means not significant.