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Fluorescent monofunctional platinum complex derived from NBD

visualizes its distribution behavior in tumour cells

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Fig. S1. ESI-MS spectra of complexes 1 and 2 in methanol (positive mode). Assignemts: m/z 564.08, $[PtL(NH_3)_2Cl]^+$ ($C_{14}H_{19}N_7O_3ClPt$, calcd 563.09); m/z 550.17, $[PtL'(NH_3)_2Cl]^+$ ($C_{13}H_{17}N_7O_3ClPt$, calcd 549.07).



Fig. S2. Excitation (Ex) and emission (Em) spectra of complex **1** and ligand L (0.01 mM) in PBS buffer.



Fig. S3. Time-dependent ESI-MS spectra of complex 2 in water determined at 1 h (a), 6h (b), and 96 h (c) after preparation (positive mode). Assignemts: m/z 496.33, $[PtL'(NH_3)]^+$ ($C_{13}H_{13}N_6O_3Pt$, 496.07); 513.17, $[PtL'(NH_3)_2]^+$ ($C_{13}H_{16}N_7O_3Pt$, calcd 513.1); 531.10, $[PtL'(NH_3)_2(OH)]^+$ ($C_{13}H_{18}N_7O_4Pt$, calcd 531.11); 550.17, $[PtL'(NH_3)_2CI]^+$ ($C_{13}H_{17}N_7O_3CIPt$, calcd 549.07).



Scheme S1. Proposed reactions of complex 2 in water.



Fig. S4. ¹H NMR spectra of 5'-GMP (2.05 mg, 5.0 mmol), complex **1** (3.12 mg, 5.0 mmol), and their mixture (1:1) in aromatic region after incubation for 0, 10, and 15 h (D₂O, 298 K), respectively. Arrows indicate the reaction products.



Fig. S5. Circular dichroism spectra of CT-DNA (0.1 mM) after 24 h incubation at 37 °C with complex 1 in different [complex]/[DNA] ratios (r) in PBS buffer. The baseline was corrected using PBS.



Fig. S6. Fluorescence spectra of complex 1 (50 μ M) after incubation for 24 h with CT-DNA in different [DNA]/[1] ratios (r) in PBS buffer.

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100 min	120 min	140 min	160 min	180 min
200 min	220 min	240 min	260 min	280 min
300 min	320 min	340 min	360 min	

Fig. S7. Confocal microscope images of HeLa cells in the presence of complex 1 determined at different incubation time.



Fig. S8. Close-up confocal microscope images of HeLa cells treated with complex 1 for 17 h.



Fig. S9. Time-dependent confocal microscope images of 1-treated HeLa cells in PBS buffer after elimination of the complex ($\lambda_{ex} = 488$ nm).



Fig. S10. Confocal microscope images ($\lambda_{ex} = 488 \text{ nm}$) of HeLa cells after treatment with ligand L (10 μ M) for different time.