

## Supporting Information

### Stem-directed growth of highly fluorescent silver nanoclusters for the versatile logic devices

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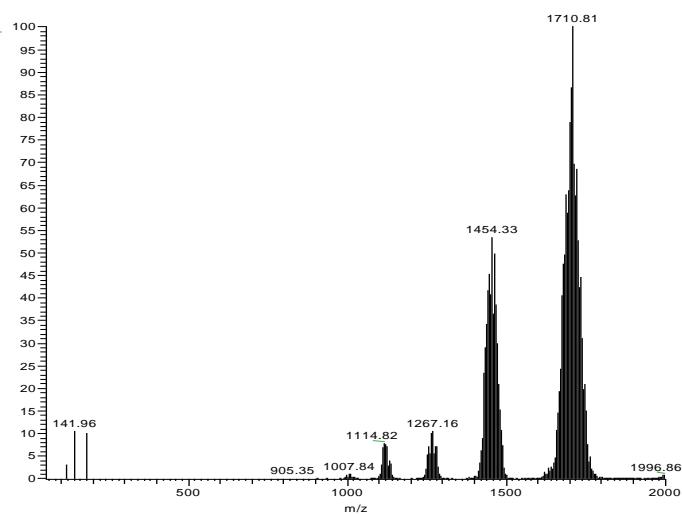
**Table S1.** All of the oligonucleotides used in this work.

oligonucleotides	Sequence 5'-3'
G	GGGTGGGTGGGTGGGT
C	ACCCACCCACCC
C'	CCCTTAACCTCCC
T <sub>5</sub> -HP GC	ACCCACCCACCCTTTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>5</sub> -HP GC'	CCCTTAACCTCCC TTTTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>5</sub> -HP	TATCCGTTTTTACGGATA
T <sub>5</sub> -HP'	ACCCACCCACCCTATCCGTTTTACGGATAAGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>4</sub> -HP GC	ACCCACCCACCCTTTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>6</sub> -HP GC	ACCCACCCACCCTTTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>8</sub> -HP GC	ACCCACCCACCCTTTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>10</sub> -HP GC	ACCCACCCACCCTTTGGGTGGGTGGGTGGG
T <sub>5</sub> -HP GC <sub>1</sub>	ACCCTTTTAGGGT
T <sub>5</sub> -HP GC <sub>2</sub>	ACCCACCCCTTTGGGTGGGT
T <sub>5</sub> -HP GC <sub>3</sub>	ACCCACCCACCCTTTGGGTGGGTGGGT
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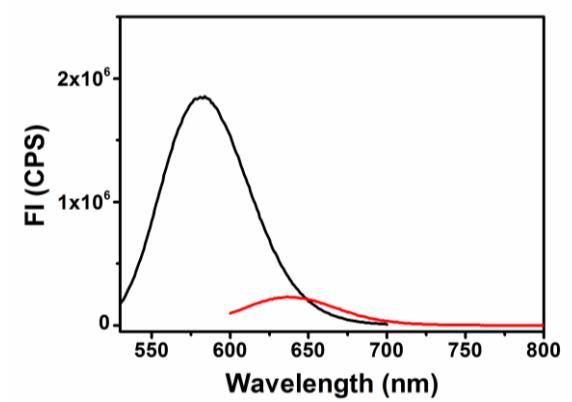
**Table S2.** Lifetimes of DNA capped AgNCs.

Sample	$\lambda_{\text{em}}$ (nm)	$\tau_1$ (ns)	A <sub>1</sub> (%)	$\tau_2$ (ns)	A <sub>2</sub> (%)	$\tau_{\text{ave}}^{[a]}$ (ns)	$\chi^2$
T <sub>5</sub> -HP GC	580	1.74	4.62	4.78	95.38	4.64	1.046
ds GC	580	1.20	22.48	4.61	77.52	3.85	1.106

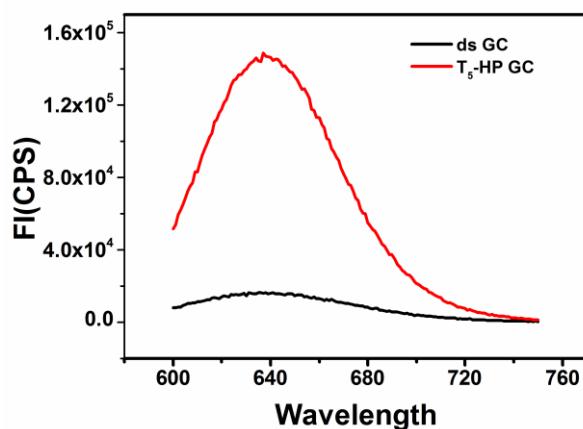
[a] The average lifetime was calculated according to  $\tau_{\text{ave}} = \sum A_i \tau_i$ .



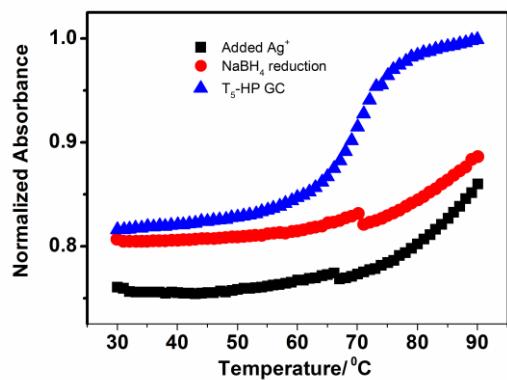
**Fig.S1.** EIS-Mass spectrum of  $T_5$ -HP GC AgNCs solution.



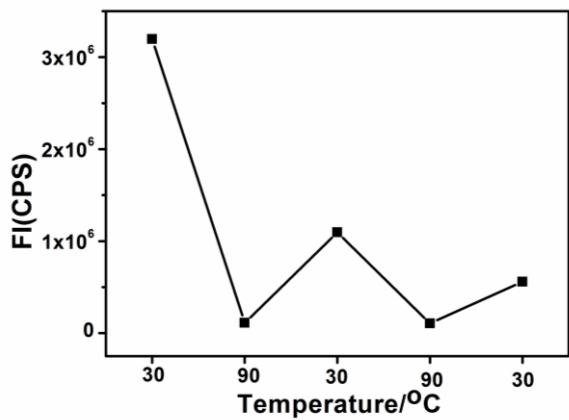
**Fig. S2.** Fluorescence behaviors of  $1\mu\text{M}$   $T_5$ -HP GC capped AgNCs using diffrent excited wavelength (Red line excited with 580 nm and black line excited with 512 nm).



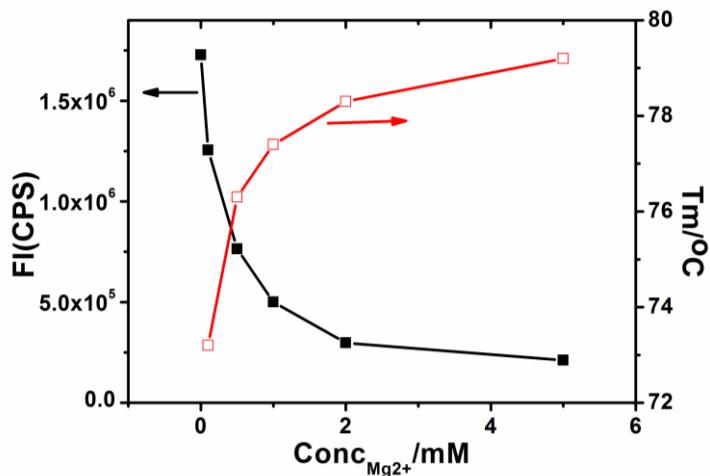
**Fig. S3:** Enhanced fluorescence behaviors of DNA capped AgNC with the excited wavelength of 580 nm.



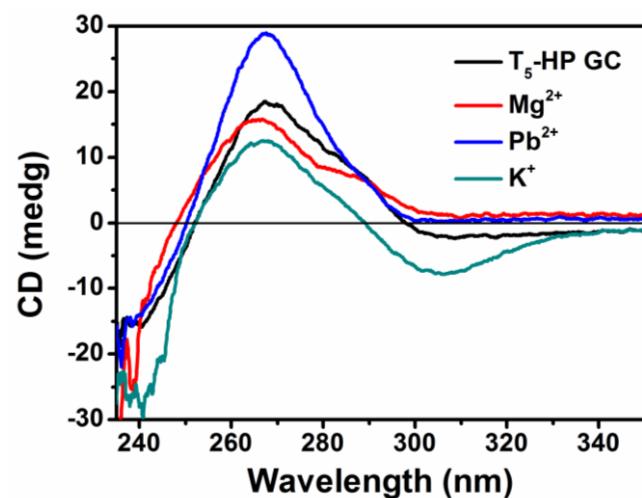
**Fig. S4.**  $T_m$  change recorded upon addition of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{NaBH}_4$  using  $\text{T}_5\text{-HP GC}$ .



**Fig. S5.** Measurement taken with temperature shift using 1  $\mu\text{M}$   $\text{T}_5\text{-HP GC}$ .



**Fig. S6.** The effect of  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  on the fluorescence of  $\text{T}_5\text{-HP GC}$  capped AgNCs,  $T_m$  was calculated via <http://www.idtdna.com/analyzer/Applications/OligoAnalyzer>.



**Fig. S7.** CD spectra of T<sub>5</sub>-HP GC upon addition of different ions.