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Control of Synthesis and Optical Properties of DNA Templated Silver Nanoclusters by Varying DNA Length and Sequence

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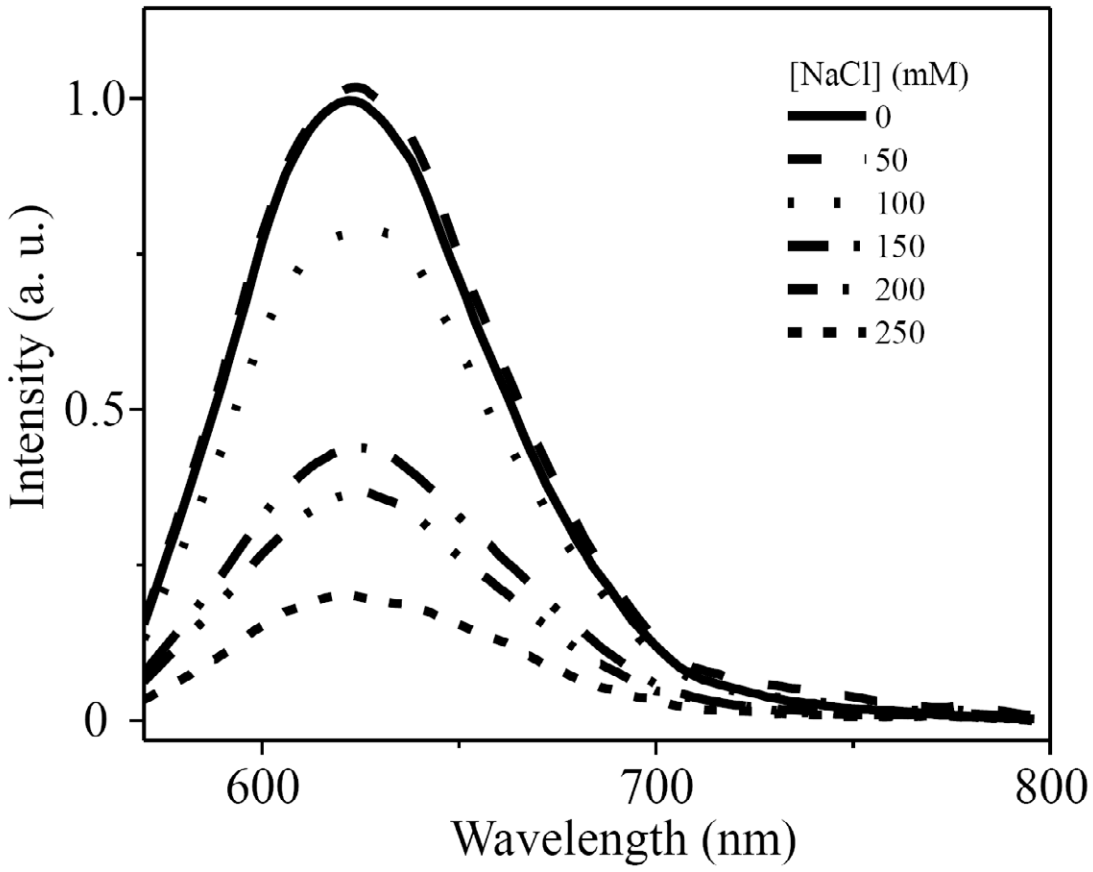

Figure S1 Effect of NaCl concentration on the fluorescence of the DNA_{TAr2}-Ag NCs.

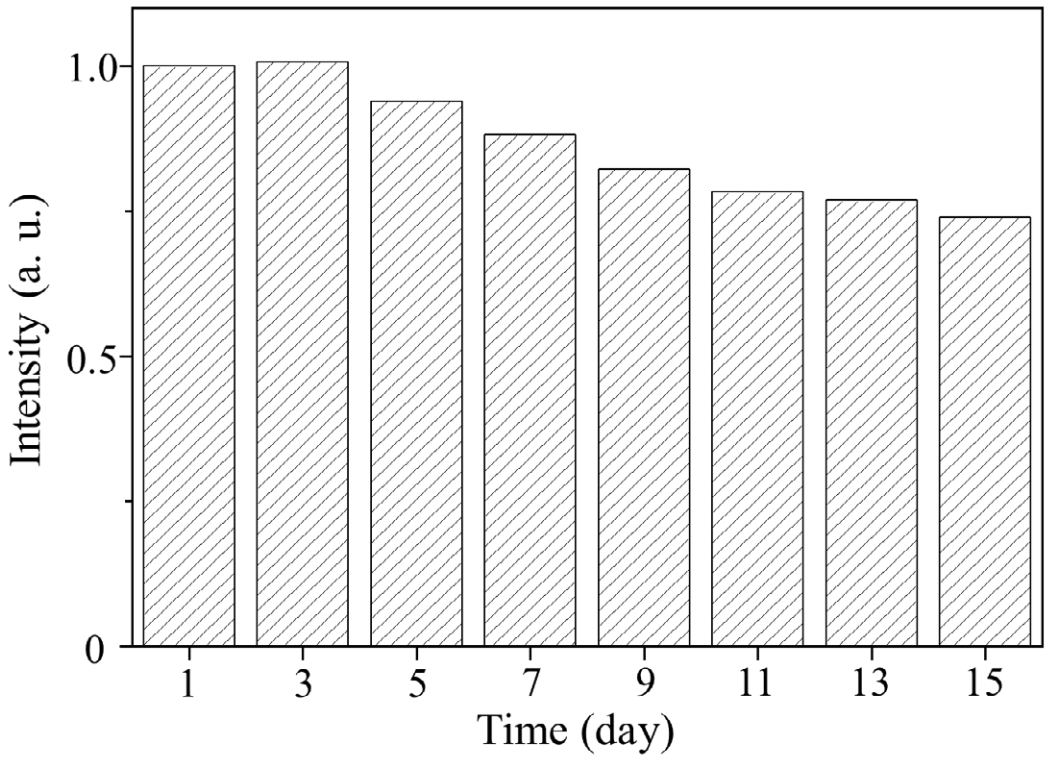

Figure S2 Stability of the DNA_{TAr2}-Ag NCs .

Table S1 CD signals of the DNA scaffolds in the absence and presence of Ag^+ ions and of the DNA-Ag NCs.

	CD [wavelength (nm) / θ (mdeg)]				
DNA	DNA_{TAr1}	DNA_{AAr1}	DNA_{TAr2}	DNA_{TAr5}	DNA_{TAr6}
Free DNA	282/2.8	281/3.2	284/3.5	292/3.7	293/3.7
DNA-Ag^+ complexes	264/–10.3	266/–9.4	261/–6.7	295/5.8	294/5.9
DNA-Ag NCs	263/–5.7	264/–2.9	264/–2.7	294/4.1	294/3.8

Table S2 Percentage recoveries of Hg^{2+} ions from real water samples, determined using the DNA_{TAr2}-Ag NCs.

Sample	Spiked Hg^{2+} (nM)	Hg^{2+} detected (nM)[a]	Recovery (%)
Ground water	10.0	10.9 ± 0.9	100–118
Tap water	10.0	10.2 ± 0.4	98–106
Drinking water	10.0	10.5 ± 0.6	99–111

[a] Average from five repetitive measurements.