

Supporting Information

Photothermally Enhanced Photodynamic Therapy Based on Mesoporous Pd@Ag@mSiO₂ Nanocarriers

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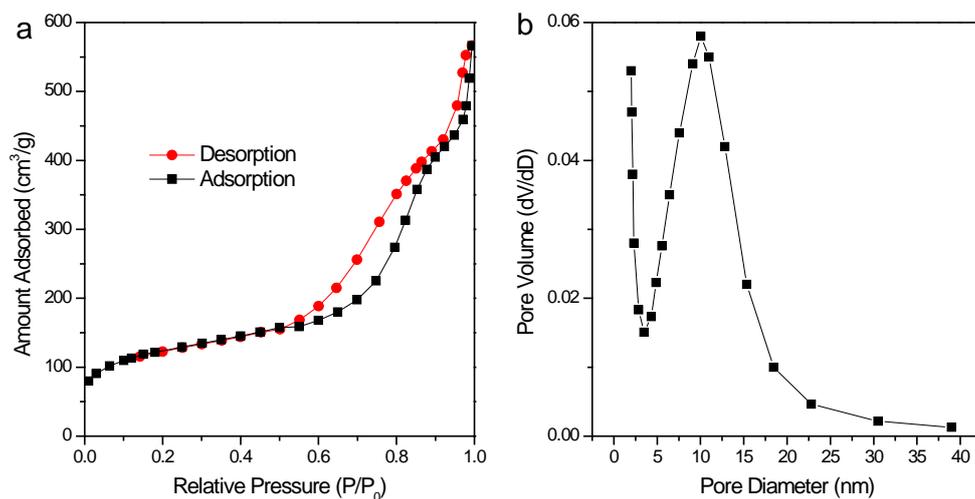


Figure S1. N₂ adsorption / desorption isotherm and the pore size distribution (inset) of Pd@Ag@mSiO₂ nanoparticles. Pore volume: 0.893 m³/g; surface area: 445 m²/g; macro pore size: ~10.1 nm.

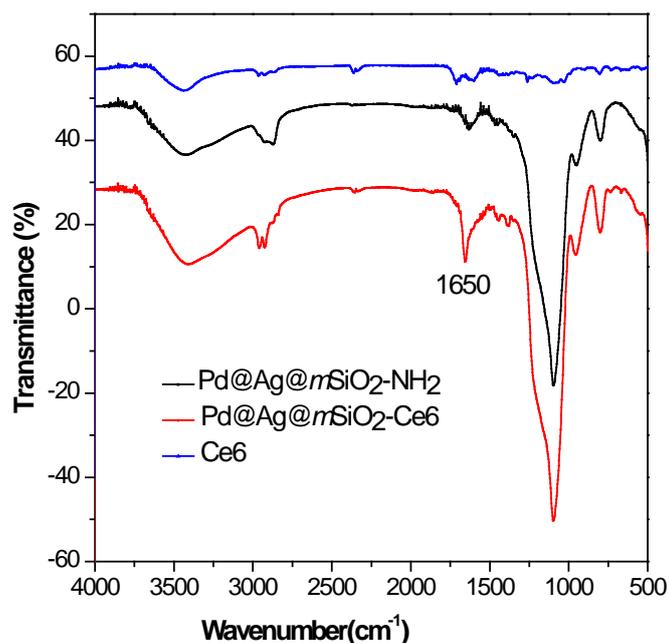


Figure S2. FTIR spectra of Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-NH₂, Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-Ce6 nanoparticles and Ce6. There is a strong absorption band at about 1650 cm⁻¹, which might contain the amide I (1650 cm⁻¹, carbonyl stretch) and amide II (1540 cm⁻¹, CN stretch and NH bend).

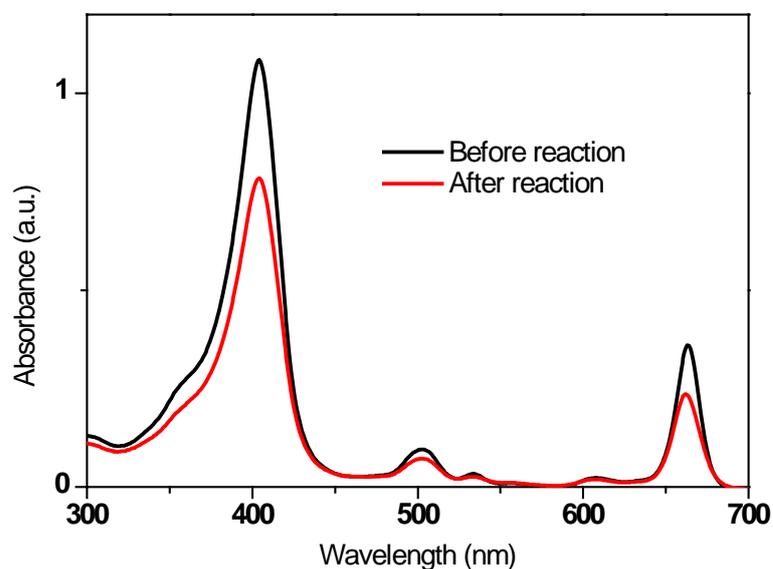


Figure S3. Absorption spectra showing the change of absorption intensity of the solutions of Ce6 before and after reacted with Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-NH₂ nanoparticles.

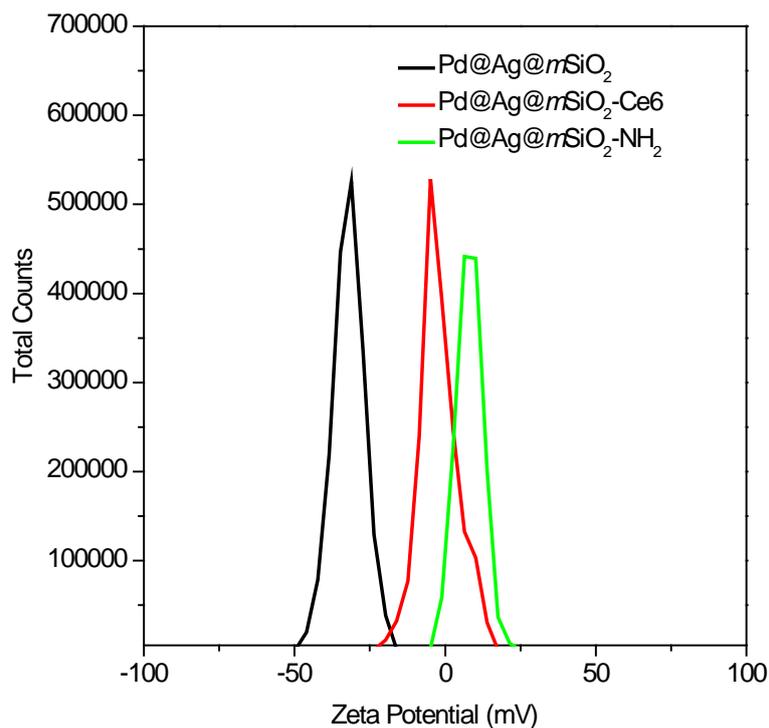


Figure S4. Zeta potentials of Pd@Ag@mSiO₂, Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-NH₂ and Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-Ce6 nanoparticles in aqueous solutions at pH 7.4.

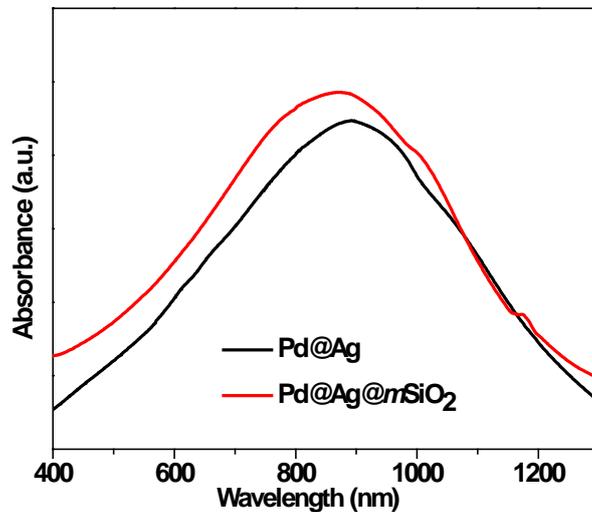


Figure S5. Visible/NIR spectra of Pd@Ag nanoplates and Pd@Ag@mSiO₂ nanoparticles.

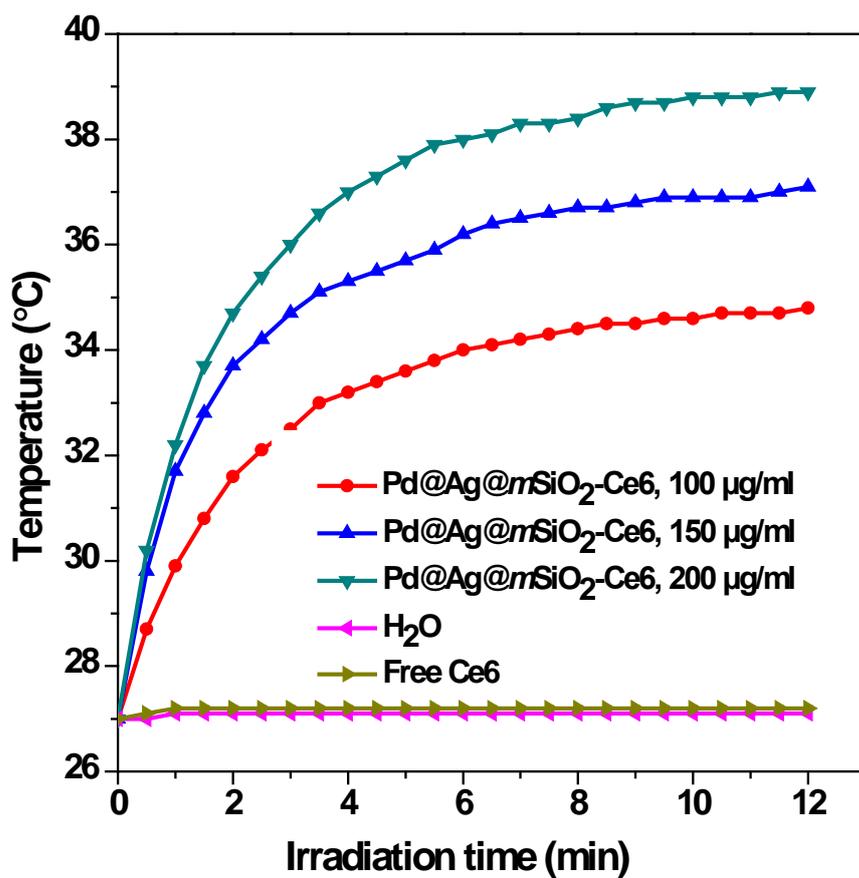


Figure S6. Temperature versus time plots of 1 ml solutions containing Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-Ce₆ nanoparticles at various concentrations under laser irradiation of 1W at 808 nm. H₂O and free Ce₆ used as controls.

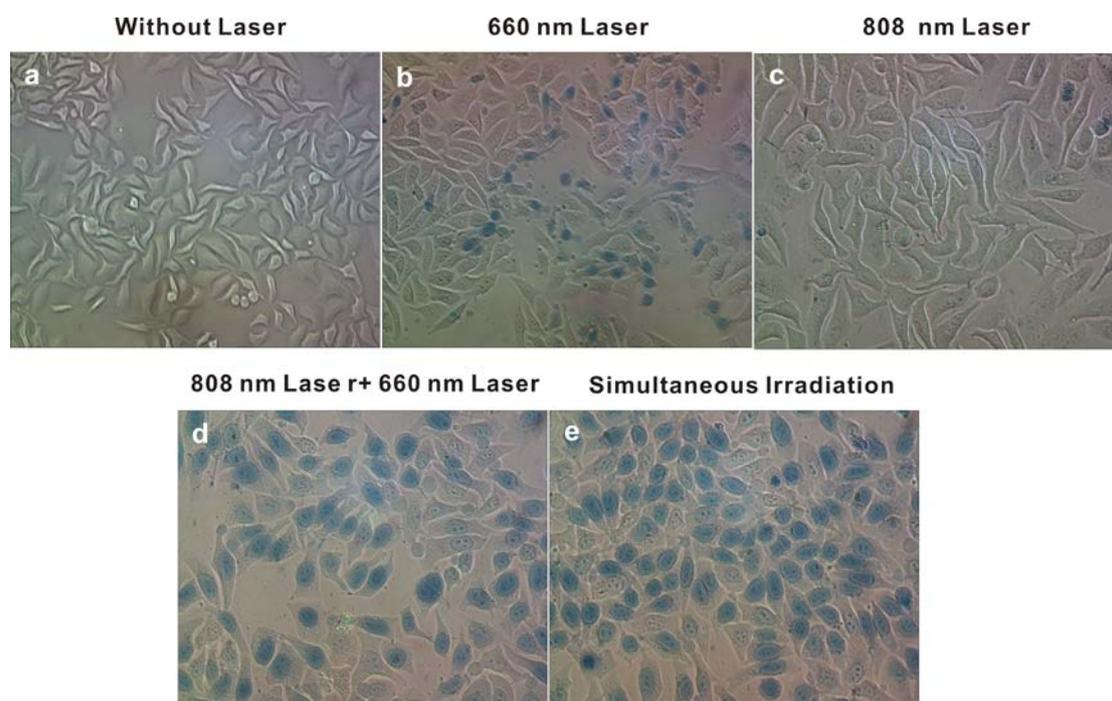


Figure S7. Tyrpan blue stained images of HeLa cells incubated with Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-Ce6 nanoparticles at 90 µg/ml after various laser treatments. a) without laser; b) 660 nm laser for 5 min; c) 808 nm laser for 5 min; d) first 808 nm laser for 5 min, then 660 nm laser for 5 min; e) simultaneous irradiation by both 808 nm and 660 nm lasers for 5 min. The power densities for 660 nm and 808 nm lasers are 0.1 W/cm² and 1 W/cm², respectively.

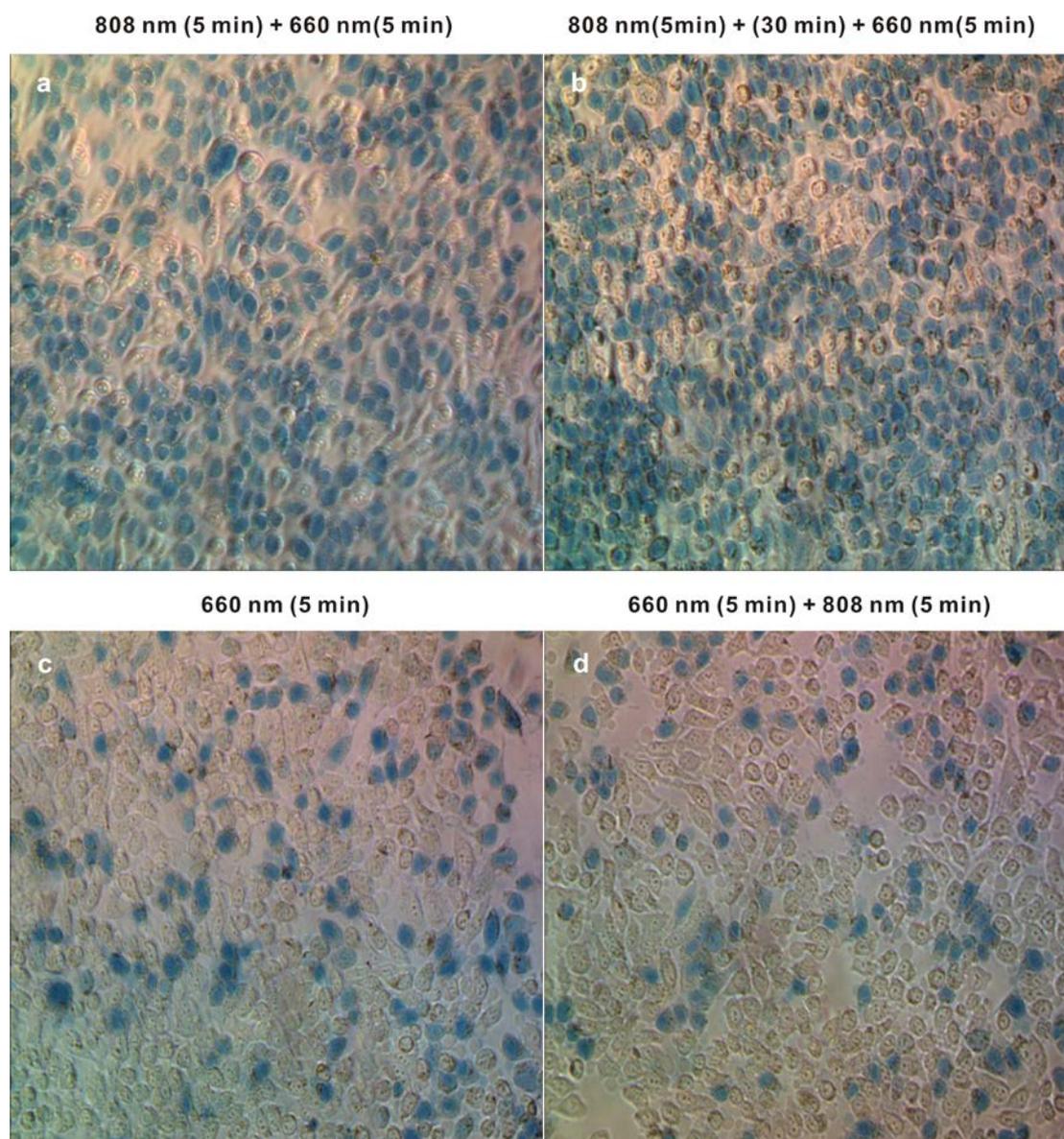


Figure S8. Tyrpan blue stained images of HeLa cells incubated with Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-Ce6 nanoparticles at 120 µg/ml after various laser treatments. a) first 808 nm laser (1W/cm²) for 5 min, then 660 nm laser (0.1W/cm²) for 5 min. b) 808 nm for 5 min, staying at room temperature for 30 min, then 660 nm for 5 min. c) 660 nm laser for 5 min. d) 660 nm for 5 min, then 808 nm for 5 min.

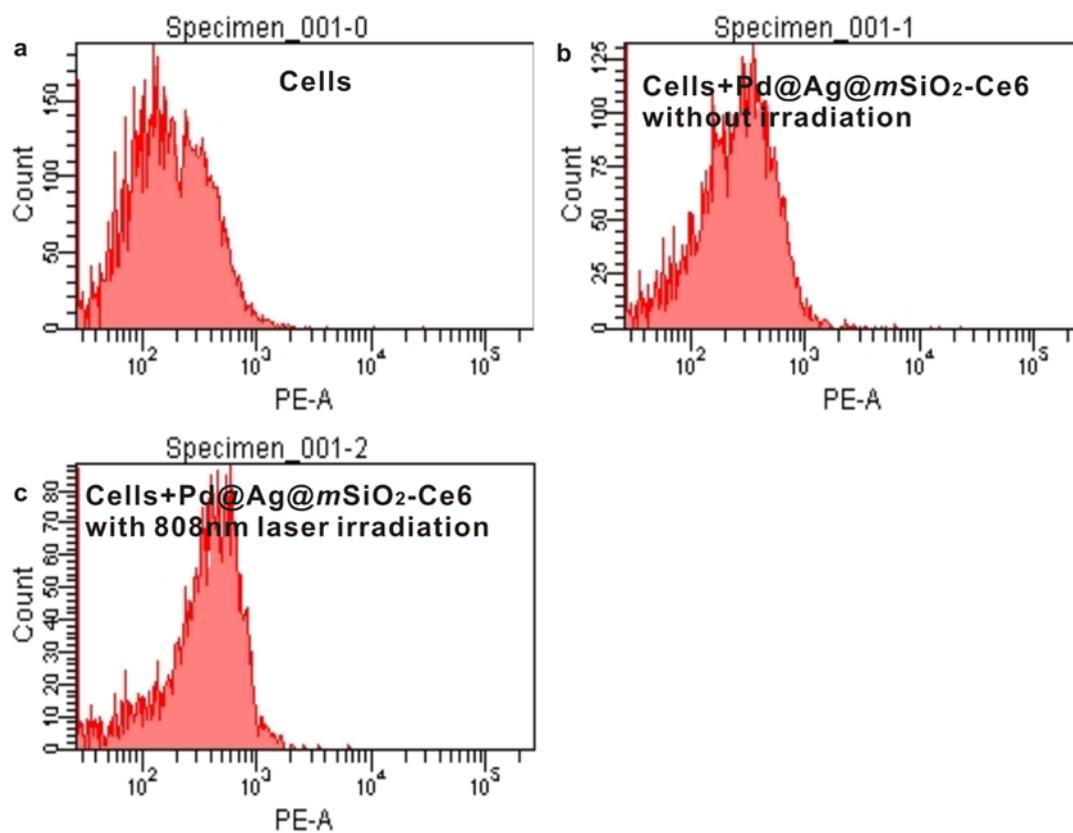


Figure S9. Flow cytometry measurements confirming higher Ce6 fluorescence in cells incubated with Pd@Ag@mSiO₂-Ce6 nanoparticles with 808 nm laser irradiation (0.4 W/cm²) for 15 min than at 37 °C without light irradiation. Untreated HeLa cells is shown for comparison.

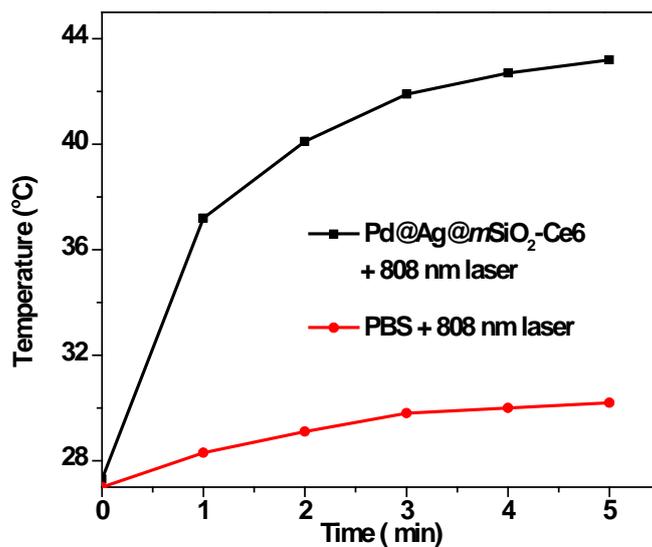


Figure S10. Temperature change of the tumor site with irradiation by 808 nm laser (1 W/cm²).

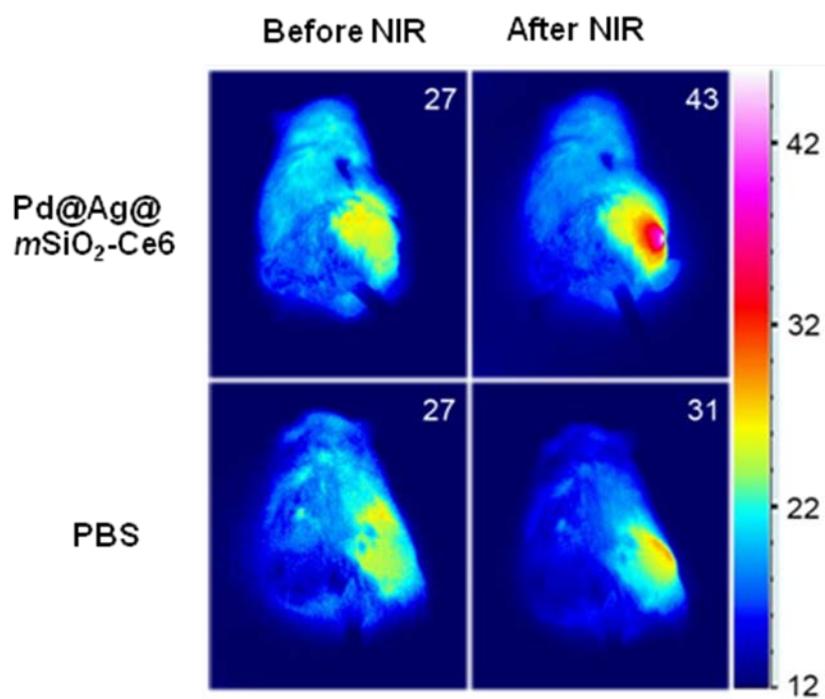


Figure S11. IR images of the tumor sites with irradiation by 808nm laser (1 W/cm²).

Table S1. Summary of the treatments applied to mice for comparative therapeutic efficacy study. The material was intra-tumorally injected into each S180 tumor-bearing mouse.

Group	Injected material	Concentration of material	Dosage of injection	Laser exposure
1	PBS		125 μ l	Simultaneous irradiation by 808 nm ($1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$, 5 min) and 660 nm ($0.1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$, 5 min)
2	Pd@Ag@mSiO ₂ -Ce6	150 μ g/ml	125 μ l	
3	Pd@Ag@mSiO ₂ -Ce6	150 μ g/ml	125 μ l	660 nm ($0.1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$, 5 min)
4	Pd@Ag@mSiO ₂ -Ce6	150 μ g/ml	125 μ l	808 nm ($1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$, 5 min)
5	Pd@Ag@mSiO ₂ -Ce6	150 μ g/ml	125 μ l	Simultaneous irradiation by 808 nm ($1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$, 5 min) and 660 nm ($0.1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$, 5 min)