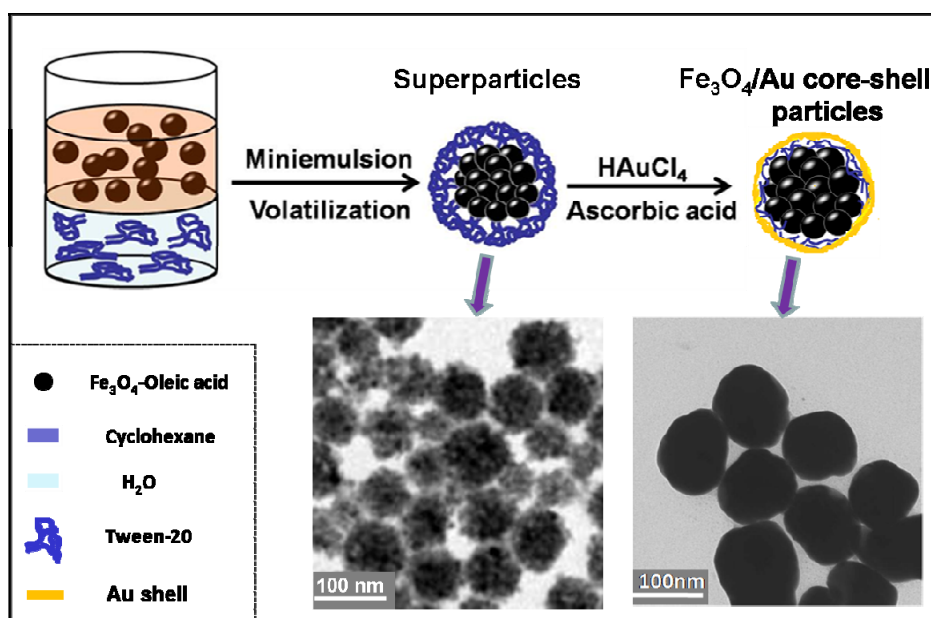


Supplementary Information

Facile deposition of continuous gold shell on Tween-20 modified Fe_3O_4 superparticles

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Scheme S1 Schematic presentation of the synthetic procedure for the $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4/\text{Au}$ core-shell particles.

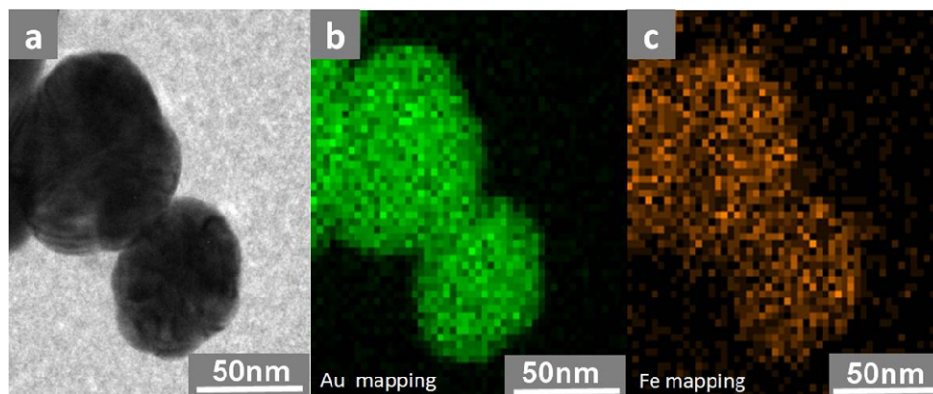


Figure S1. (a) High angle annular dark field scanning TEM (HAADF-STEM) image and (b, c) HAADF-STEM energy dispersive spectrometer (HAADF-STEM-EDS) mapping images of the $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4/\text{Au}$ core-shell particles prepared with 8.4 mM. HAuCl_4 .

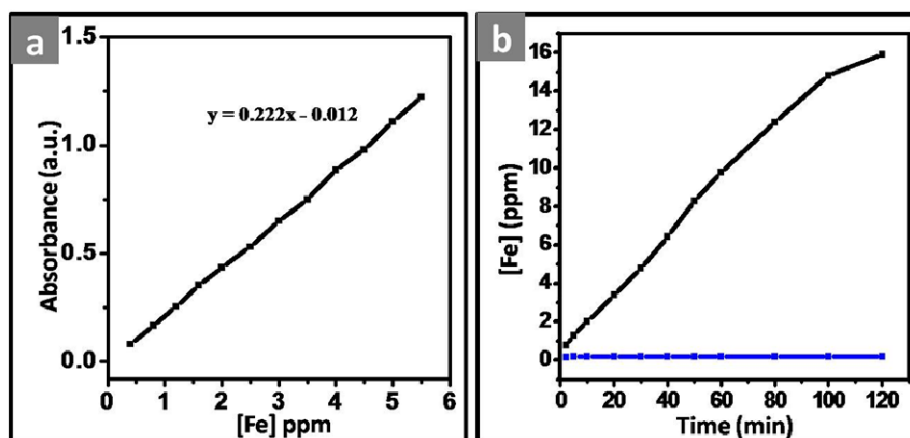


Figure S2. (a) The standard curve of Fe^{2+} (the absorbance of Fe^{2+} -o-phenanthroline complex versus concentration of Fe^{2+}). (b) The concentrations of Fe^{2+} ions released from the Fe_3O_4 SPs (black) and the flower-shaped $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4/\text{Au}$ particles (blue) after being soaked in hydrochloric acid (3 M, 0.5 mL) for 2 h.

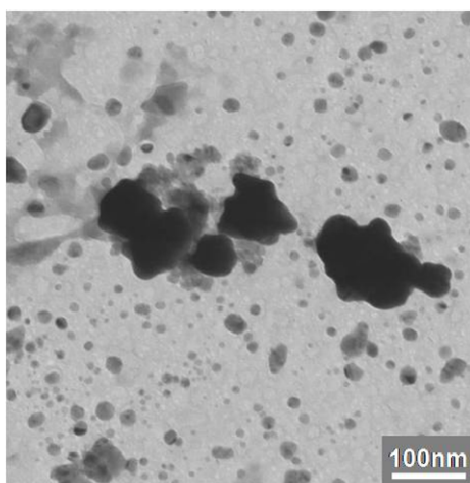


Figure S3. TEM image of the product prepared without pre-adsorption of Au^{3+} ions before the addition of ascorbic acid reductant into the reaction mixture.

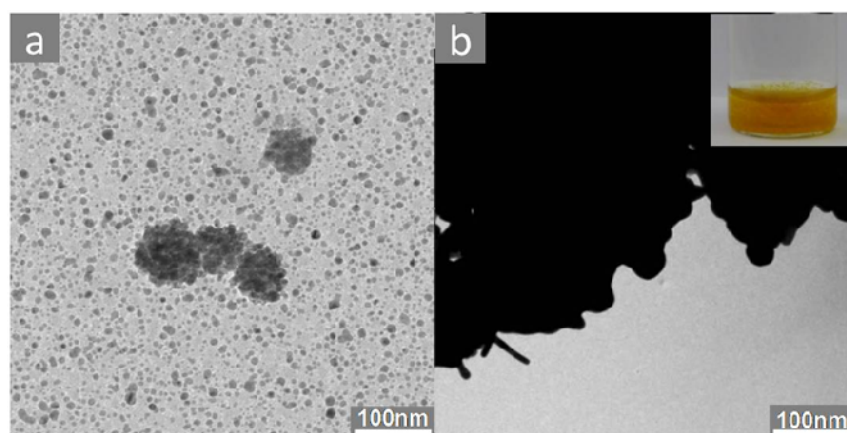


Figure S4. TEM images of the products prepared from (a) sodium dodecylsulfate (SDS) modified Fe₃O₄ SPs and (b) dodecyl trimethyl ammonium bromide (DTAB) modified Fe₃O₄ SPs. Insert of (b) shows the photograph of the dispersion of the DTAB modified Fe₃O₄ SPs after addition of HAuCl₄.