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多模态成像指导的无机金属纳米材料抗肿瘤作用:

主要针对目前肿瘤治疗失败可能存在的问题 (药物低效, 副作用大, 限制用药剂量; 不能及时发现和治疗; 治疗过程不能实时监测), 从化疗和热疗两个方面尝试解决。

(1) 设计合成高效低毒新型配位聚合物  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Salphen-In}^{\text{III}}$ , 可被肿瘤细胞大量摄取, 是正常细胞摄取量三倍以上。在细胞内酸性环境下由无活性的前药水解后重新形成具有抗肿瘤活性的  $\text{Fe-Salphen}$  络合物, 选择性杀伤肿瘤细胞, 从而达到高效低毒的目的。这个过程伴随着溶酶体 pH 的改变以及溶酶体膜结构完整性的破坏, 并且是通过线粒体介导的细胞凋亡途径来实现的。

(2) 设计合成多种功能化模块结合的  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{Carbon}@\text{Gd}^{\text{III}}\text{-Cy/PEG-FA}$  纳米复合物。其中氧化铁和钆可用作核磁成像, 近红外染料 Cy 可用作荧光成像, 同时由于其近红外吸收可以做光声成像。从而达到多模态成像的目的。

(3) 鉴于纳米复合材料复杂的合成过程, 我们设计合成了  $\text{Bi}_2\text{S}_3$  纳米棒, 从而用一种简单的纳米材料来代替多种功能化模块结合的复杂过程, 但同时可以达到多模态成像指导的肿瘤热疗作用。选择 Bi 用作 CT 成像是由于, CT 成像是临床上一种非常有用的检测方式, 不仅高分辨, 没有组织深度限制, 同时可以进行 3D 重构, 这非常有利于疾病的诊断。Bi 由于较高的 X 射线吸收, 因此比目前临床使用的 CT 造影剂碘比醇具有更强的 CT 成像优势。我们利用  $\text{Bi}_2\text{S}_3$  纳米棒清楚地看到了小鼠几处重要的血管以及肿瘤部位的血管, 同时光声成像也显示了其在肿瘤部位一个先富集再代谢的过程。体内体外的光热治疗实验也显示,  $\text{Bi}_2\text{S}_3$  纳米棒本身几乎没有毒性, 但在激光照射下可以高效杀伤肿瘤细胞。从而达到了高效低毒, 多模



态成像指导的肿瘤热疗作用。

(4) 至此,我们面临的问题即大多数无机材料面临的问题:无机纳米药物易在体内脏器积累,带来长期毒性和免疫反应的风险。因此我们设计合成了  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  纳米点。铜的掺杂使吸收移至近红外二区,更有利于光热治疗。重要的是,在不影响其 CT 和光声成像性质的前提下,  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  纳米点由于其较小的尺寸以及在细胞内酸性环境下易降解的性质,可以在 24h 内通过尿液及粪便排出体外。从而解决了脏器积累的问题。

(5) 有趣的是,我们发现,激光不仅可以进行光热治疗,同时还可以促进纳米药物从肿瘤边缘向内部渗透。这也解决了纳米药物由于肿瘤内部高压而很难在肿瘤部位滞留和渗透的问题。我们首次用多种成像方式 (CT, 核磁, 光声和 X 射线荧光) 定性及定量地证明了  $\text{Au}@/\text{SiO}_2(\text{Gd})@\text{Dox}@/\text{HA}$  在肿瘤部位的渗透。

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2014 年第 29 届中国化学年会	北京	注册参会
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2. **Jing Liu**, Pengyang Wang, Xiao Zhang, Liming Wang\*, Dongliang Wang, Zhanjun Gu, Jinglong Tang, Mengyu Guo, Mingjing Cao, Huige Zhou, Ying Liu\*, and Chunying Chen\*. Rapid Degradation and High Renal Clearance of  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  Nanodots for Efficient Cancer Diagnosis and Photothermal Therapy in Vivo. *ACS Nano*, 2016, 10, 4587-4598.  
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2. 陈春英, 刘晶, 谷占军, 张潇。一种  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  纳米药物及其制备方法和应用, 201610173299.X, 2016-03-24.



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## Gd-Hybridized Plasmonic Au-Nanocomposites Enhanced Tumor-Interior Drug Permeability in Multimodal Imaging-Guided Therapy

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Nanotechnology-based tumor imaging has rapidly developed in recent years, in particular, the multimodal imaging-guided chemotherapy.<sup>[1]</sup> However, anticancer drugs are often insufficient to cause tumor regression and eradication due to the lack of specificity towards the tumor lesion, limited transportation across the vascular barrier (physiological barrier), and poor penetration through the dense extracellular matrix (pathological barrier), which also leads to the severe toxic effects of anticancer drugs on healthy tissues.<sup>[2]</sup> The application of nanotechnology for drug delivery offers potential solutions for current challenges in cancer therapy.<sup>[3]</sup> To enhance the accumulation in the tumor, large numbers of nanomedicines have been designed and applied by virtue of their tunable physicochemical properties, including their size, shape, surface charge, hydrophilicity, and targeting moiety.<sup>[4]</sup> However, the *in vivo* performances of many tailor-designed nanomedicines are not as good as initially envisioned because of the shielding by protein corona, and tumor heterogeneity between different patients and different tumor models.<sup>[4,5]</sup>

Recently, some stimuli-responsive nanomedicines combined with external stimuli such as light, ultrasound, and magnetic field have proven to be effective in tumor-specific delivery.<sup>[6]</sup> Locally applied external stimuli can flexibly and efficiently enhance site-specific accumulation because the area, timing, and intensity of the stimuli can be easily and precisely manipulated. We have previously developed a thermo-responsive polymer-encapsulated gold nanorod (AuNR) for near-infrared (NIR) laser-induced targeted cancer therapy.<sup>[6a]</sup> NIR laser irradiation at the tumor site significantly improved their accumulation in the tumor (gold element content 7.6 times higher than the unirradiated group), providing a prerequisite for efficient

cancer treatment. Recently, Ferrari and co-workers reported an interesting work. They pre-delivered AuNRs from blood vessels to the tumor via the enhanced permeability and retention (EPR) effect, and subsequently injected a macromolecule or liposome into mice. Then they irradiated the tumor to generate a mild thermal to enhance the trans-vascular transport of the macromolecule and liposome in a two-step manner.<sup>[7]</sup>

Multifunctional nanomedicines with combined diagnostic and therapeutic functions have evolved as a new paradigm in cancer therapy.<sup>[8]</sup> An ideal theranostic platform should provide optimized therapeutic efficacy together with a reliable assessment of the details of tumor characteristics. As the single-modality imaging technique offers inadequate diagnostic information, the development of multimodal imaging techniques has drawn significant attention.<sup>[9]</sup> Owing to their remarkable physicochemical properties, some inorganic nanoparticles, especially gold nanoparticles, have drawn considerable attention for multimodal imaging-guided therapy.<sup>[10]</sup> Gold nanoparticles hold great potential in X-ray computed tomography (CT) since elemental gold provides almost three times greater X-ray attenuation per unit weight than that of commercial iodine.<sup>[11]</sup> Some gold nanoparticles such as AuNR with high NIR absorption and photothermal conversion ability can serve as photoacoustic (PA) imaging probes for real-time guidance to monitor therapeutic response.<sup>[12]</sup> In addition, the ease of the surface functionalization makes the gold nanoparticle an attractive platform for the development of multimodal imaging contrast agents. Kircher et al. employed gadolinium (Gd) and Raman molecular functionalized gold nanoparticles for triple-modality imaging, which accurately delineated the margins of brain tumors in living mice both pre- and intra-operatively.<sup>[9]</sup> Zeng et al. fabricated a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)/CT dual-modal imaging probe by functionalization of the outer surface of AuNR with Gd-based macromolecular complexes.<sup>[13]</sup> The simultaneous use of CT and MRI takes full advantage of each imaging technique with both excellent bone detail information and clear soft tissue structure. However, the existing methods for the modification of gold nanoparticles with Gd species suffer from shortcomings such as low Gd loading capacity, easy leakage of Gd ions to cause undesired toxicity, and the difficulties of further drug loading or surface functionalization.<sup>[9,13–15]</sup>

Here, we designed a Gd-hybridized plasmonic Au-nanocomposite which is based on mesoporous silica-coated AuNR with loading citrate-Gd complexes for tracing. Anticancer drug Doxorubicin (Dox) was loaded onto the nanocomposite to examine the therapeutic outcome. Upon NIR laser irradiation, localized

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# Rapid Degradation and High Renal Clearance of $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$ Nanodots for Efficient Cancer Diagnosis and Photothermal Therapy *in Vivo*

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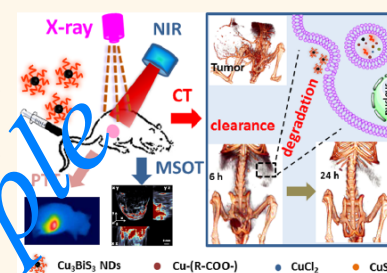
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## Supporting Information

**ABSTRACT:** A key challenge for the use of inorganic nanomedicines in clinical applications is their long-term accumulation in internal organs, which raises the common concern of the risk of adverse effects and inflammatory responses. It is thus necessary to rationally design inorganic nanomaterials with proper accumulation and clearance mechanism *in vivo*. Herein, we prepared ultrasmall  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  nanodots (NDs) as a single-phased ternary bimetal sulfide for photothermal cancer therapy guided by multispectral optoacoustic tomography (MSOT) and X-ray computed tomography (CT) due to bismuth's excellent X-ray attenuation coefficient. We then monitored and investigated their absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion. We also used CT imaging to demonstrate that  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  NPs can be quickly removed through renal clearance, which may be related to their small size, rapid chemical transformation, and degradation in an acidic lysosomal environment as characterized by synchrotron radiation-based X-ray absorption near-edge structure spectroscopy. These results reveal that  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  NDs act as a safe and powerful "theranostic" nanoplatform for MSOT/CT imaging-guided tumor ablation with excellent metabolism and rapid clearance that will improve safety for clinical applications in the future.

**KEYWORDS:**  $\text{Cu}_3\text{BiS}_3$  nanodots, multispectral optoacoustic tomography, X-ray computed tomography, photothermal therapy, clearance, degradation, chemical transformation



Nanotechnology is a rapidly expanding field, and many nanoparticles are being tested as candidates for multifunctional, molecular, and physically targeted contrast agents for clinical diagnosis and therapy.<sup>1–5</sup> Materials at the nanometer scale have very different physical and biochemical properties that make nanomaterials attractive in diagnostics and therapy.<sup>4</sup> This approach, referred to as "theranostics", holds great promise for cancer diagnosis and therapy, and theranostic nanomedicine is an important direction in which nanotechnology is progressing at this time.<sup>1,5,6</sup> Even more attractive is combining different modalities (targeting, imaging, and therapy) in one particle to make multifunctional platforms that can both detect and treat tumors.<sup>7,8</sup> Such complex nanosystems are the basis of intelligent detection–killing platforms. Recently, many such nanoparticles have been applied in active fields of research such as drug delivery,<sup>2,9</sup> cancer diagnostics,<sup>10–12</sup> and therapeutic

tics.<sup>13–15</sup> However, a most worrisome problem has been safety. Most nanoparticles can accumulate in the vital organs, leading to acute toxicity, a long-term inflammatory response, or even fibrosis and cancer. Therefore, a general but elusive goal to strive for is to ensure the safety of multifunctional theranostic contrast agents.

In addition to safety, these agents must be effective. For effective phototherapy, nanoparticle platforms must absorb in an appropriate therapeutic window of laser irradiation. As the tissue is mostly transparent to near-infrared (NIR) (700–1400 nm) light, especially the second NIR window (1000–1400 nm), NIR absorption by the contrast agent results in deeper penetration and eliminates the absorption of laser light by the

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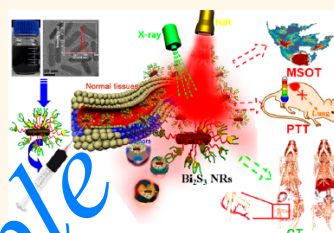
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# Bismuth Sulfide Nanorods as a Precision Nanomedicine for *in Vivo* Multimodal Imaging-Guided Photothermal Therapy of Tumor

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**ABSTRACT** Here, we present a precision cancer nanomedicine based on Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> nanorods (NRs) designed specifically for multispectral optoacoustic tomography (MSOT)/X-ray computed tomography (CT)-guided photothermal therapy (PTT). The as-prepared Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> NRs possess ideal photothermal effect and contrast enhancement in MSOT/CT bimodal imaging. These features make them simultaneously act as “satellite” and “precision targeted weapon” for the visual guide to destruction of tumors *in vivo*, realizing effective tumor destruction and metastasis inhibition after intravenous injection. In addition, toxicity screening confirms that Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> NRs have well biocompatibility. This triple-modality-nanoparticle approach enables simultaneously precise cancer therapy and therapeutic monitoring.



**KEYWORDS:** Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> nanorods · thin bandgap semiconductor · multispectral optoacoustic tomography · X-ray computed tomography · photothermal therapy

Nanomedicines offer unprecedented opportunities to reach the objectives such as promoting the precision treatment of cancer and mitigating undesired side effects.<sup>1,2</sup> Over the past decade, precision nanomedicines have been extensively explored to fabricate theranostics that integrate multiple imaging approaches and therapeutic modalities.<sup>3–13</sup> Among these investigations, imaging-guided photothermal therapy (PTT) has drawn considerable attention. PTT employs an efficient light harvesting agent for the localized conversion of the tissue-transparent near-infrared (NIR,  $\lambda = 700–1100$  nm) light into heat to ablate cancer cells.<sup>14–20</sup> Multimodality imaging provides PTT with real-time guidance to diagnose disease, guide procedures, monitor therapeutic response, and treat disease with greater specificity and sensitivity.<sup>21–32</sup> By distinguishing from the assorted imaging approaches, X-ray computed tomography (CT) is a mainstay of clinical diagnostic

modality with the advantages of high resolution, no depth limitation, and allowing for three-dimensional (3D) reconstruction.<sup>33–35</sup> However, pharmacokinetic limitations of clinically available CT contrast agents (small iodinated molecules), including short circulation half-lives and nonspecific distribution, are the main causes of CT failure for tumor target imaging and angiography.<sup>36,37</sup> Moreover, various intrinsic limitations of CT imaging particularly with respect to poor soft tissue contrast, low throughput capacity, limited accessibility, and ionizing radiation also represent as notable hurdles that prevent the application of CT for clinical diagnosis.<sup>38</sup> Thus, combining CT with another imaging technique that can fully take the advantages of each while avoiding the drawbacks of both is more preferable for the precision diagnosis since no single modality is perfect and sufficient to obtain all the necessary information.<sup>39</sup> From this point, multispectral optoacoustic tomography (MSOT)

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## Multifunctional Magnetic Gd<sup>3+</sup>-Based Coordination Polymer Nanoparticles: Combination of Magnetic Resonance and Multispectral Optoacoustic Detections for Tumor-Targeted Imaging in vivo

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To overcome traditional barriers in optical imaging and microscopy, optoacoustic-imaging has been changed to combine the accuracy of spectroscopy with the depth resolution of ultrasound, achieving a novel modality with powerful in vivo imaging. However, magnetic resonance imaging provides better spatial and anatomical resolution. Thus, a single hybrid nanoprobe that allows for simultaneous multimodal imaging is significant not only for cutting edge research in imaging science, but also for accurate clinical diagnosis. A core-shell-structured coordination polymer composite microsphere has been designed for in vivo multimodality imaging. It consists of a Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanocluster core, a carbon sandwiched layer, and a carbocyanine-Gd<sup>III</sup> (Cy-Gd<sup>III</sup>) coordination polymer outer shell (Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@C@Cy-Gd<sup>III</sup>). Folic acid-conjugated poly(ethylene glycol) chains are embedded within the coordination polymer shell to achieve extended circulation and targeted delivery of probe particles in vivo. Control of Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> core grain sizes results in optimal r<sub>2</sub> relaxivity (224.5 × 10<sup>-3</sup> M<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) for T<sub>2</sub>-weighted magnetic resonance imaging. Cy-Gd<sup>III</sup> coordination polymers are also regulated to obtain a maximum 25.1% of Cy ligands and 5.2% of Gd<sup>III</sup> ions for near-infrared fluorescence and T<sub>1</sub>-weighted magnetic resonance imaging, respectively. The results demonstrate their impressive abilities for targeted, multimodal, and reliable imaging.

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### 1. Introduction

As an emerging hybrid optical and ultrasound diagnostic modality, multispectral optoacoustic tomography (MSOT) has attracted increasing attention over recent years. This technology shows potential for noninvasive imaging modality tissue illumination with light pulses at multiple wavelengths, and detects acoustic waves arising from thermoelastic expansion in the environment of absorbing molecules. Detected acoustic signals can be transferred to the optical absorption distribution in tissue, with spatial resolution, deep penetration, and high soft tissue contrast. Compared with traditional optical imaging that is typically limited by photon scattering and results in image blurring, MSOT overcomes various longstanding limitations, and can acquire a high spatial resolution, optical contrast and real-time imaging in deep tissue

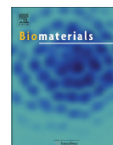




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## Fe–salphen complexes from intracellular pH-triggered degradation of Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Salphen-In<sup>III</sup> CPPs for selectively killing cancer cells



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We propose a modular synthetic strategy to constitute metallosalphen prodrugs in the form of coordination polymer nanoparticles, comprising magnetite nanocrystal colloidal cluster as core and salphen-In<sup>III</sup> coordination polymer as shell. These composite nanoparticles are not only equipped with intense photoluminescence, sensitive magnetic responsiveness and pH-dependent degradability, but also serve as prodrugs to accomplish intercellular conversion from non-toxic nanoparticles (Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@Salphen-In<sup>III</sup>) to pharmacologically active complexes (Fe–salphen), allowing to specifically inhibit the proliferation of A549 cancer cells via caspase activation.

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Medical inorganic chemistry is a thriving area of research [1–7], which was initially fueled by the serendipitous discovery of the cisplatin anti-proliferative activity [8]. Tremendous efforts have been dedicated to exploring a variety of metal complexes in pharmaceutical use [1–11]. From the point of view of synthesis, metal complexes offer a versatile platform for design of anticancer agents due to the distinct characteristic of central metal ions, such as multiple coordination numbers, accessible redox states, flexible ligand substitutions, and diverse geometries. Of these members, cisplatin is one of the leading metal-based chemotherapeutics, being pronouncedly potent against a wide spectrum of cancer cell lines while used alone or in combination with other drugs [12]. Significant toxicity side effects and drug resistances, however, have limited its clinical applications [13,14]. There is a need, thereby, for new metalodrugs that are aimed at the lower side effects as well as specificity and efficacy in cancer therapies. Linppard et al. prepared

a polymeric nanoparticle to encapsulate the water-soluble Pt(IV) prodrug by double emulsion for the purpose of reduced toxic side effect and controlled release [15]. Metallo-salen/salphen complexes are widely used as catalysts in selective oxidation, organic epoxidation, CO<sub>2</sub> fixation, and so on [16]. More intriguingly, their notable apoptotic and antitumor activities have been specifically investigated in the primary studies, which elucidated that functions of central metal ions (e.g. Mn<sup>III</sup>, Fe<sup>II</sup>, and Fe<sup>III</sup>) and substituents of salen/salphen ligands were both responsible for tumor-selective apoptosis and cytotoxicity toward cisplatin-resistant cancer cells [17–21]. Albeit with the achievements of metallo-salen/salphen complexes, there still exist some major drawbacks, i.e., large dose of administration, poor water solubility, short circulating time and low bioavailability, all of which would elicit pharmacological deficiencies and deleterious effects [22]. To circumvent these issues, rationally designed drug delivery systems rather than new metal complexes should be greatly developed with the aim of enhancing the performance profile of current metalodrugs. Meanwhile, “safe” delivery of metal complexes to their targets also poses one crucial challenge in cancer chemotherapy, owing to their strong coordination interaction with specific biomolecules [23].

Since Mirkin et al. pioneered the study in synthesis of coordination polymer particles (CPPs), CPPs arouse mounting interests in a wide range of fields [24,25]; they promise great potentials for gas

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