Supporting information

# Effective detection and cell imaging of prion protein with new prepared targetable yellow-emission silver nanoclusters

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#### Fig. S1

Fluorescence intensity changes of Apt-AgNCs in cell culture medium within 3 hours. The excitation was 490 nm, and emission was recorded at 565 nm. All data were collected from three measurements, and the error bars indicate the standard deviation.



### Fig. S2

Cell growth inhibition assay of Apt-AgNCs to SK-N-SH cells after 24 h incubation. All data were collected from three measurements, and the error bars indicate the standard deviation.



#### Fig. S3

Fluorescence emission spectra of AgNCs templated with the control sequence in the presence (red) and absence (black) of  $PrP^{C}$ . The excitation was 490 nm, concentrations: AgNCs, 1  $\mu$ M;  $PrP^{C}$ , 106 nM; pH 6.6



## Fig. S4

UV-Vis spectra of Apt-AgNCs before (black) and after (red) the addition of  $PrP^{C}$ . Concentrations: Apt-AgNCs, 1  $\mu$ M;  $PrP^{C}$ , 106 nM; pH 6.6.



# Fig. S5

The fluorescence decay curves of Apt-AgNCs before (black) and after (red) the addition of  $PrP^{C}$ . Concentrations: Apt-AgNCs, 1  $\mu$ M;  $PrP^{C}$ , 106 nM; pH 6.6.

