

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Colorimetric screening of β -glucosidase inhibition based on gold nanocomposites

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Table S1. Determination of β -glucosidase activity in the compost extracts sample

| Samples | β -glucosidase activity (U L^{-1}) | | | R.S.D. (%) |
|---------|---|---|---|---------------|
| | Added | Detected using gold-cellobiose nanocomposites ^a | Detected by DNS colorimetric assay method ^b | |
| C1 | 10.0 | 11.8 ± 0.56 | 9.8 ± 0.73 | 4.7 |
| C2 | 30.0 | 32.1 ± 1.54 | 30.4 ± 1.45 | 4.8 |
| C 3 | 50.0 | 55.6 ± 2.25 | 51.8 ± 1.20 | 4.0 |
| C 4 | 90.0 | 92.4 ± 3.58 | 88.6 ± 2.55 | 3.9 |

^{a,b} Means \pm standard deviations of three measurements.



Fig. S1. The β -glucosidase concentration-dependent color changes. From left to right: 300 U L⁻¹; 250 U L⁻¹; 100 U L⁻¹; 60 U L⁻¹; 30 U L⁻¹; 15 U L⁻¹; 3 U L⁻¹; 1.5 U L⁻¹; 0.3 U L⁻¹; Control sample.

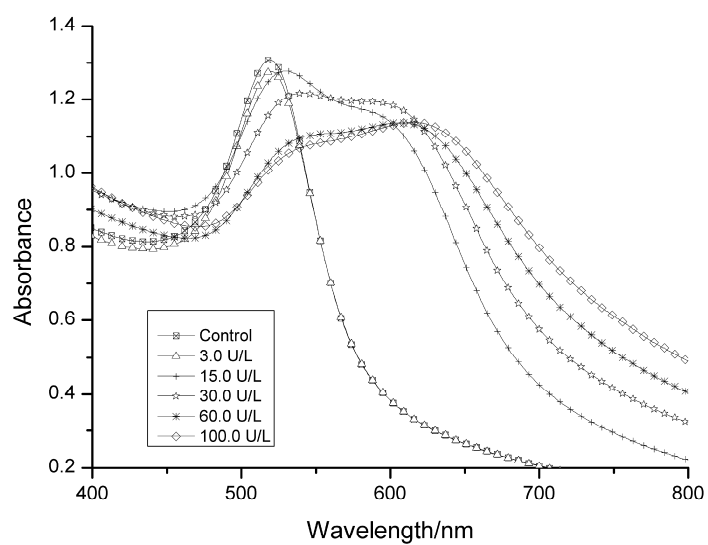


Fig. S2. Absorption spectra of the gold-cellobiose nanocomposites at 20 min after incubation with different concentrations of β -glucosidase (from 3 U L^{-1} to 100 U L^{-1}).