

## Electronic Supplementary Information

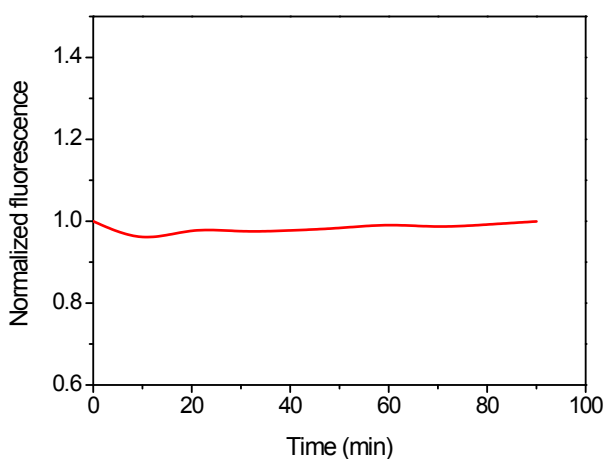
### Scissor-based fluorescent detection of pepsin using lysozyme-stabilized Au nanoclusters

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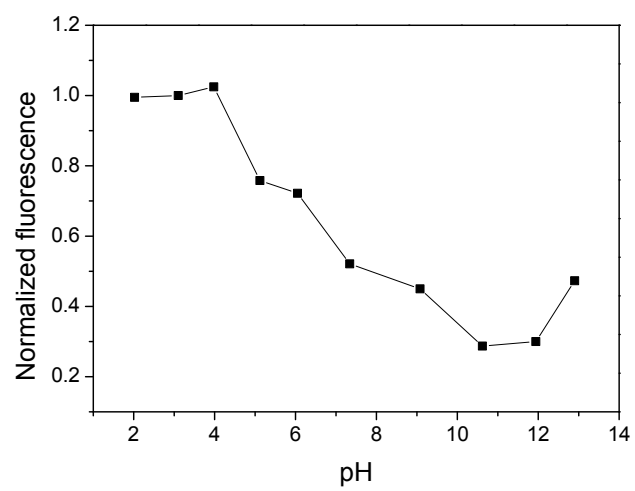
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**Figure S1** Time evolution of normalized fluorescence of ten times diluted AuNCs@Lys incubated at 37 °C. (Reaction time for AuNCs@Lys: 180min; Buffer: 50 mM pH 3.0 glycine-HCl buffer)



**Figure S2** Fluorescence intensities of AuNCs@Lys solution at different pH values