**Materials.** L-glutathione (GSH, reduced, 98%), N-acetyl-L-cysteine (NAC), DL-dithiothreitol (DTT), Vitamin E (VE), diphenylisobenzofuran (DPBF), 2',7'-dichlorofluorescein diacetate (DCFH-DA) and tellurium powder (99.999%, approximately 200 mesh) were obtained from Sigma-Aldrich and were used without further purification. All other reagents were of analytical grade. Ultrapure water with a conductivity of 18.2 M $\Omega$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (Millipore Simplicity) was used in all aqueous solutions. Other chemicals and reagents were purchased from Bide Pharmatech Ltd.

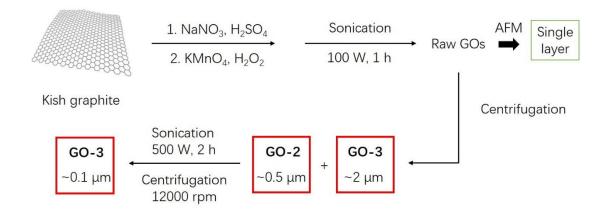
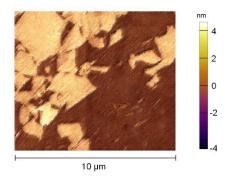
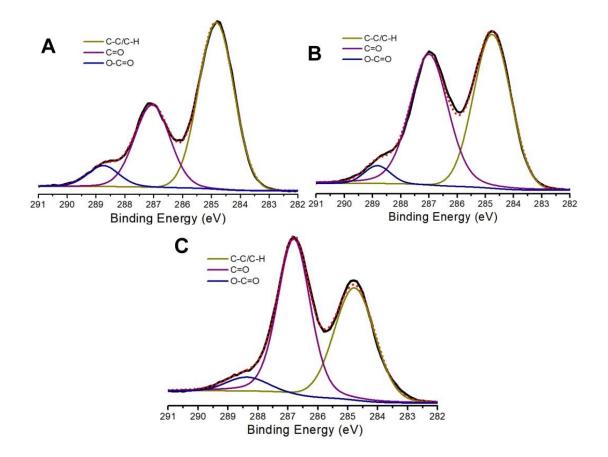


Figure S1. Scheme of the preparation procedures of GOs with different

sizes.



**Figure S2.** AFM image indicates single layer structure of the as-prepared raw GOs, as depicted in Figure S1.



**Figure S3.** Peak deconvolution of C1s XPS core level of GO-1, GO-2, and GO-3.

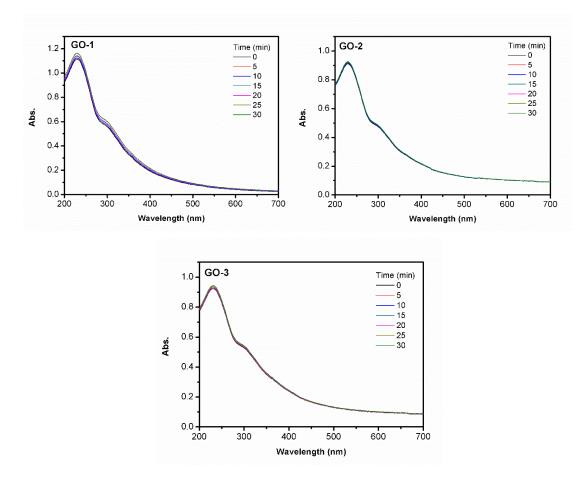
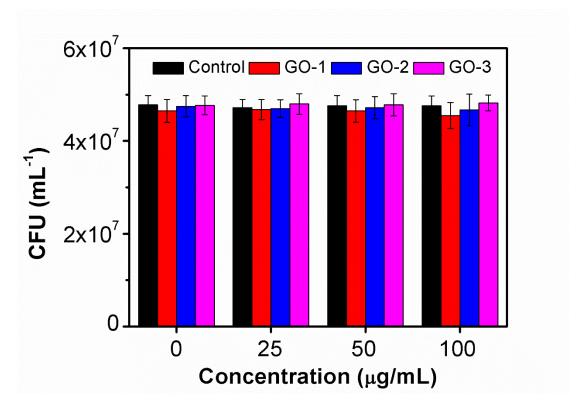
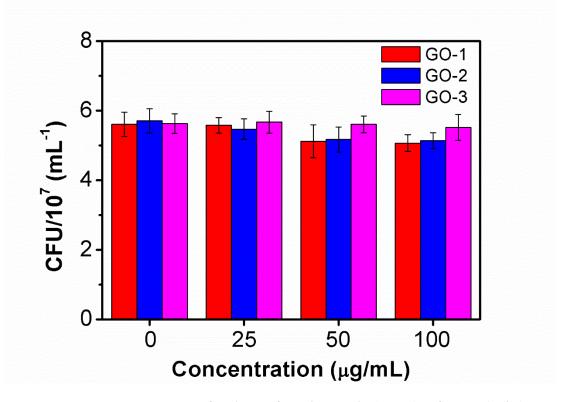


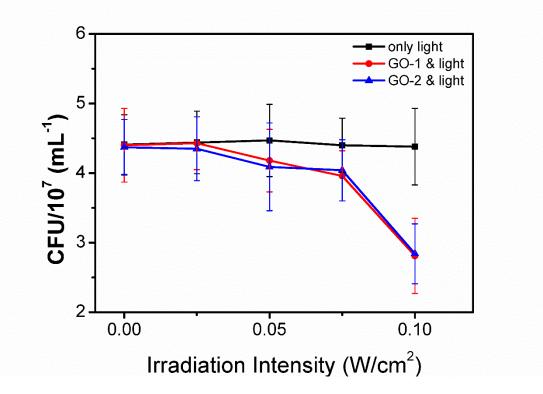
Figure S4. UV-vis spectra of GO-1, GO-2, and GO-3 under different irradiation time.



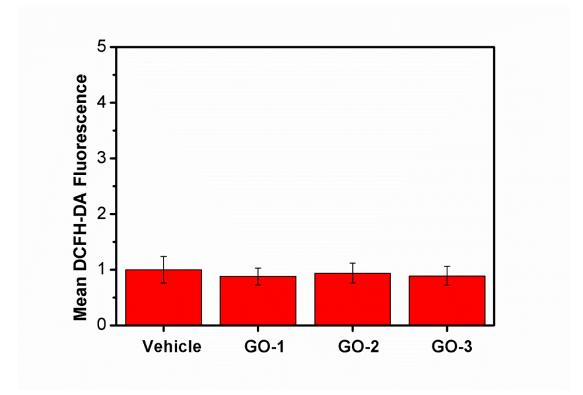
**Figure S5.** Measurement of colony-forming unit (CFU) of *E. coli* ( $\lambda$ -) suspensions with GOs after incubated for 8 hours.



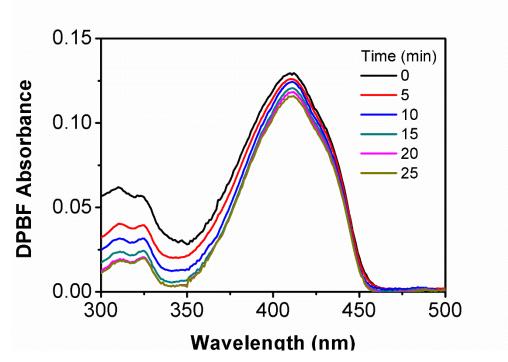
**Figure S6.** Measurement of colony-forming unit (CFU) of *E. coli* ( $\lambda$ -) suspensions with GOs and 20 min white light irradiation after incubated for 8 hours.



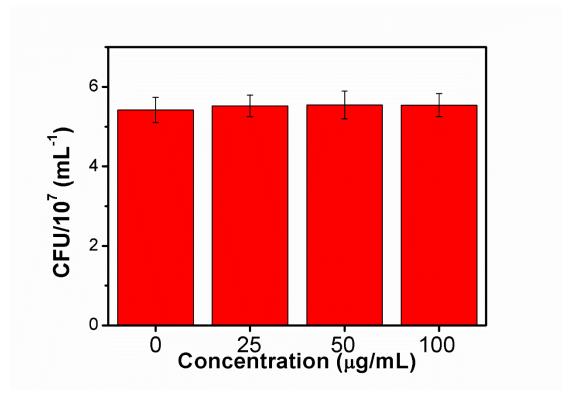
**Figure S7.** Determination of critical irradiation intensity for lysogenic activation. Colony-forming unit (CFU) of *E. coli* ( $\lambda$ +) suspensions were calculated after treated with GOs and white light irradiation (30 min).



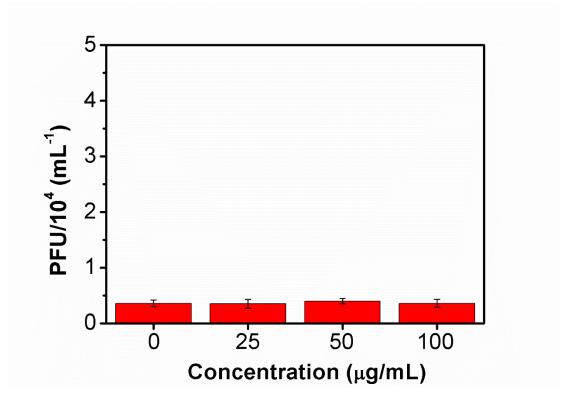
**Figure S8.** Intracellular ROS level of *E. coli* ( $\lambda$ +) treated with GOs. ROS level were determined by fluorescence of DCFH-DA.



**Figure S9.** Measurements of photogenerated  ${}^{1}O_{2}$  by GO-1-PEG via decomposition of DPBF.  $c(\text{GO-1-PEG}) = 1.0 \,\mu\text{g/mL}, c(\text{DPBF}) = 50 \,\mu\text{M}.$ 



**Figure S10.** Measurement of colony-forming unit (CFU) of *E. coli* ( $\lambda$ +) suspensions with GO-1-PEG in dark for 8 hours.



**Figure S11.** Measurement of PFU of *E. coli* ( $\lambda$ +) suspensions with GO-1-

PEG in dark after incubated for 8 hours.

**Table S1.** Zeta-potential of GOs stored in bacterial medium at roomtemperature for 3 days.

	0 days		3 days	
	Zeta-	Hydrodynamic	Zeta-	Hydrodynamic
	potential	(nm)	potential(mV)	(nm)
	(mV)			
GO-1	$-31.5 \pm 1.1$	$134\pm18$	$-31.0 \pm 1.4$	$139 \pm 15$
GO-2	$-30.8 \pm 1.4$	$858\pm78$	$-31.4 \pm 1.7$	$836\pm65$
GO-3	$-30.8 \pm 1.2$	$2180\pm220$	$-30.3 \pm 1.4$	$2250\pm240$