

Supplementary information

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Injectable Catechin-Based Supramolecular Hydrogel for Highly Efficient Application in HPV-associated OSCC

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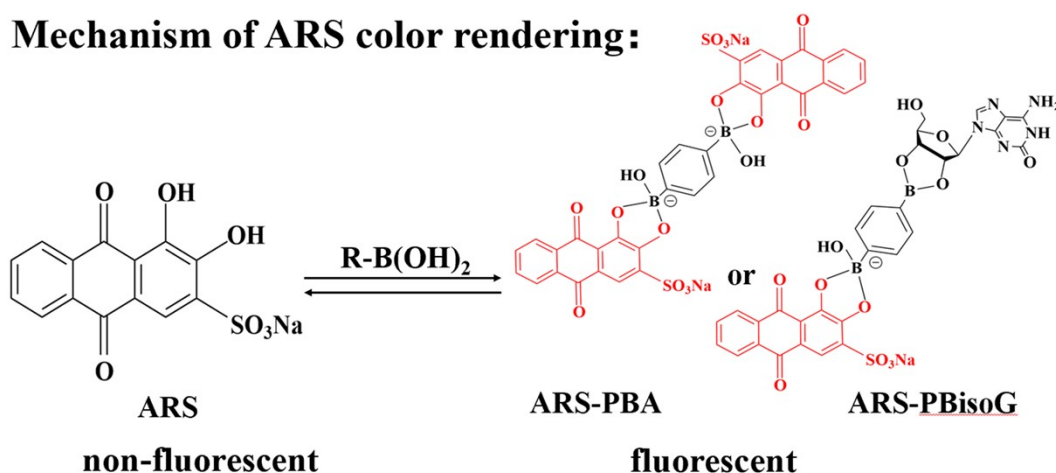
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Mechanism of ARS color rendering:



Scheme S1 The fluorescence generation mechanism of ARS (PBA as an example).

Table S1. Inhibitory effects of different treatments on HPV⁺ OSCC tumour

HPV ⁺ OSCC tumour	PBS	0.05 M 5-FU	0.025 M CPBisoG	0.05 M CPBisoG
Tumour volume (mm ³)	1585 ± 205.9	1025 ± 437.8	1127 ± 175.1	852 ± 294.9
Tumour inhibition rates (%)	□	35.36	28.9	46.25
P value (vs PBS)		0.043	0.141	0.019

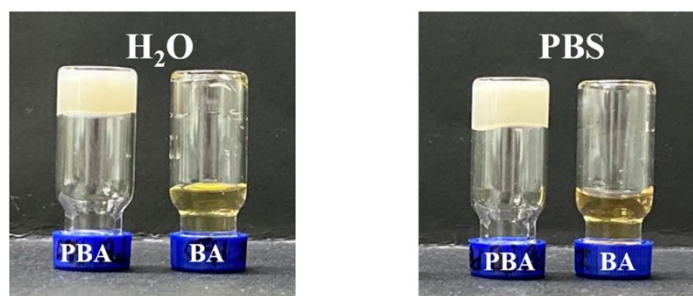


Fig. S1 PBA was chosen to construct dynamic phenyldiborate ester bonds. The concentration of each component in the experiment is the same, 0.1 M.

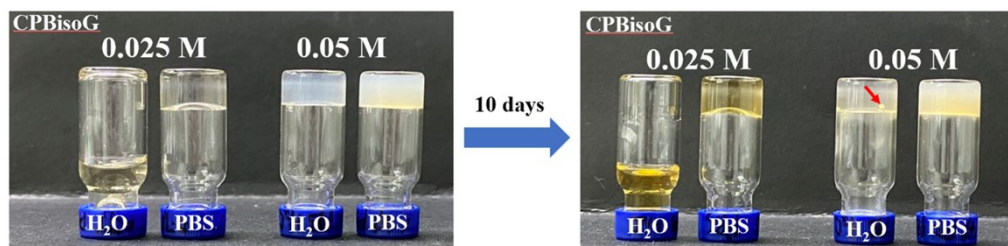


Fig. S2 PBS was chosen as the solvent of CPBisoG hydrogel system. The critical gelation concentration of CPBisoG in PBS system was 0.025 M, while 0.05 M in the H₂O system. And on the 10th day after gel formation, precipitation was observed in 0.05 M CPBisoG hydrogel with H₂O as solvent, but not in the equal concentration of CPBisoG hydrogel with PBS as solvent.

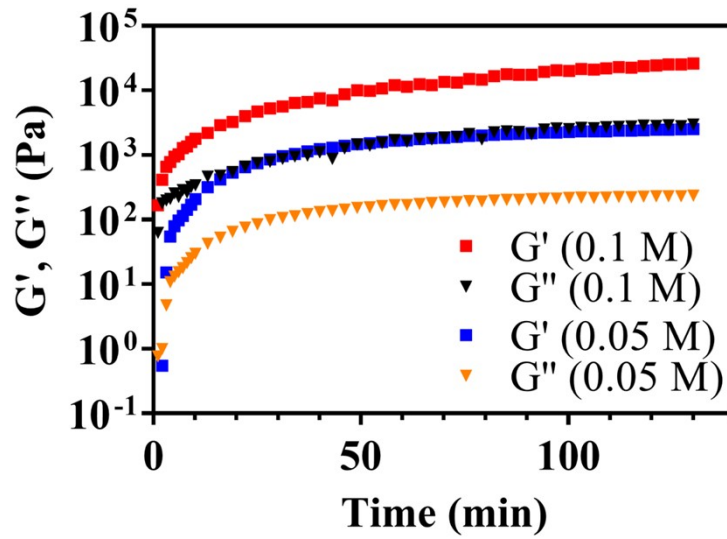


Fig. S3 The time sweep tests to investigate the viscoelastic properties of 0.05 M and 0.1 M CPBisoG hydrogel. The modulus (G' and G'') were positively correlated with CPBisoG concentration.

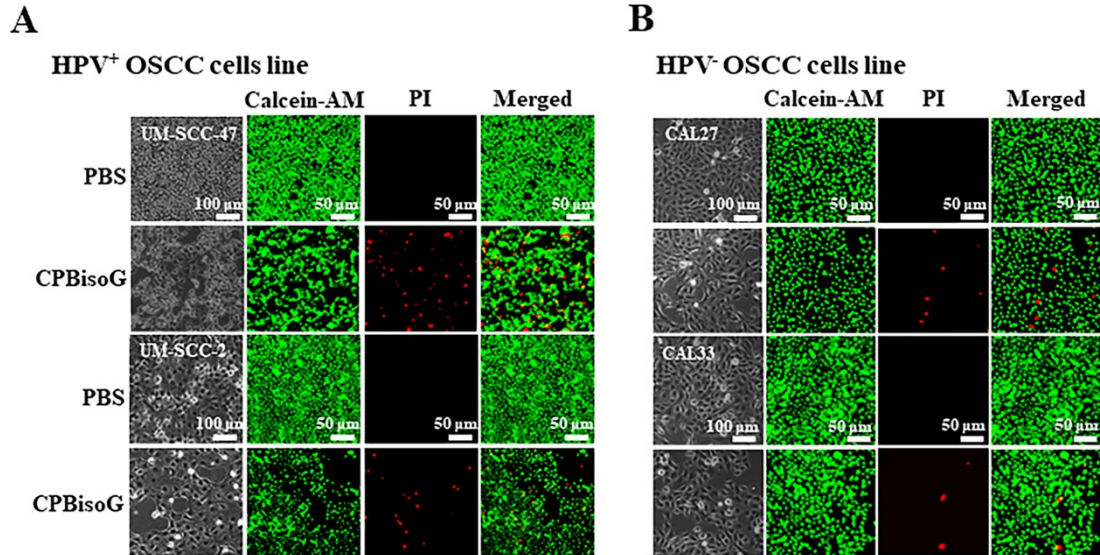


Fig. S4 Phase-contrast images and the alive/dead cell images costained with calcein-AM (live cells, green) and PI (dead cells, red) of HPV⁺ OSCC cell lines (UM-SCC-47, UM-SCC-2) and HPV⁻ OSCC cell line (CAL27, CAL 33), which was exposed to 0.5 mM CPBisoG and for 24 h, respectively. PBS as the control. Scale bar: 100 μm and 50 μm , respectively.

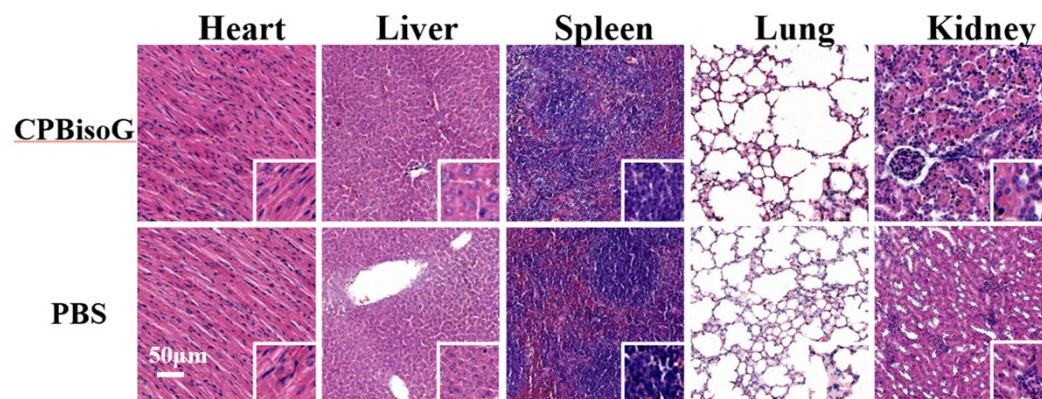


Fig. S5 H&E staining images of the main organs tissues from the sacrificed mice treated with 0.05 M CPBisoG hydrogel.