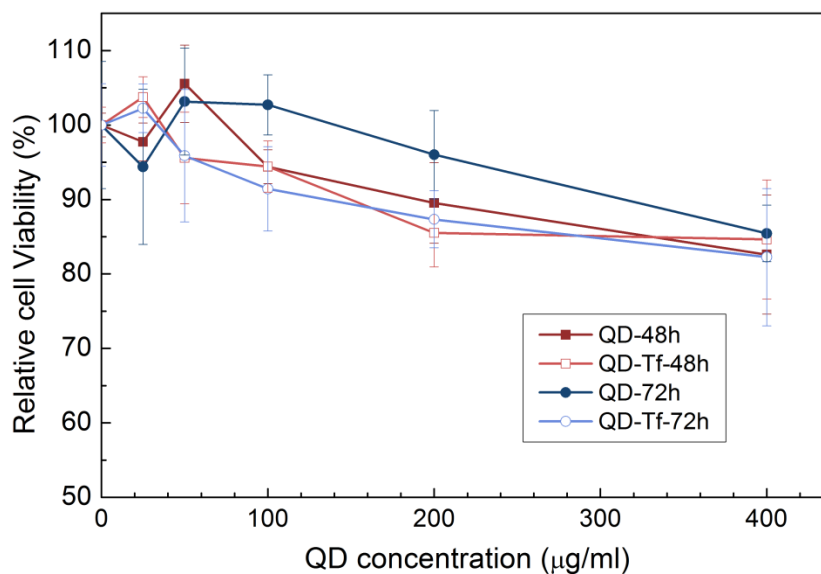


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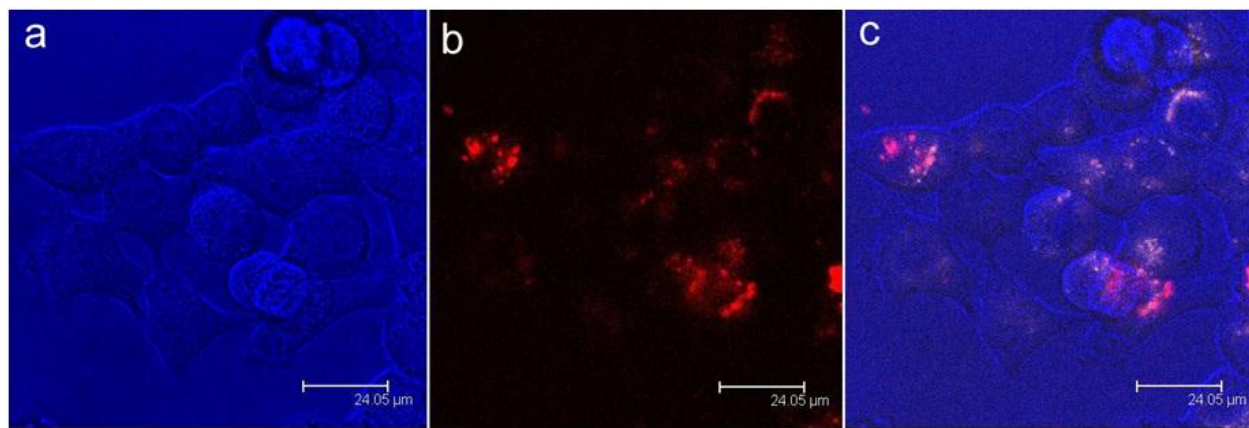
### Rational design of InP quantum dot based theranostic nanoprobes for cancer: in vitro and in vivo applications

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10 Figure S1. Relative cell viability evaluation of Panc-1 cells treated with InP/ZnS QDs conjugated with (QD) or without (QD-Tf) transferrin 48 and 72 hours post treatment.



15 Figure S2. Confocal microscopy image of live Panc-1 cells treated with anti-Claudin 4 conjugated InP/ZnS nanoprobes. (a) transmission, (b) fluorescent signal from InP/ZnS QDs and (c) overlay.

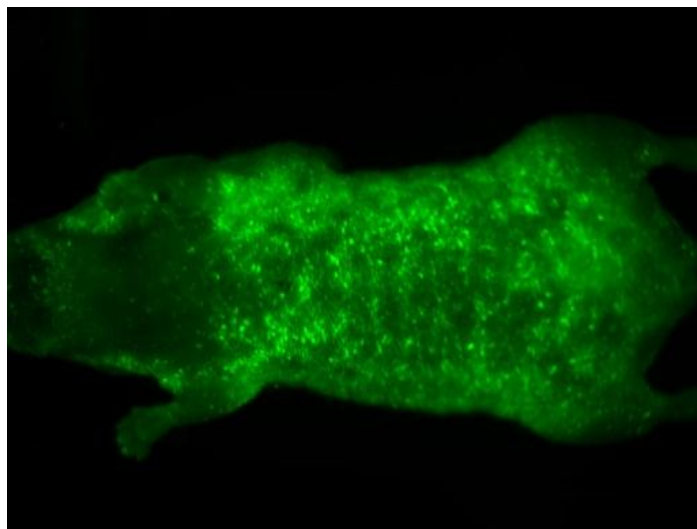
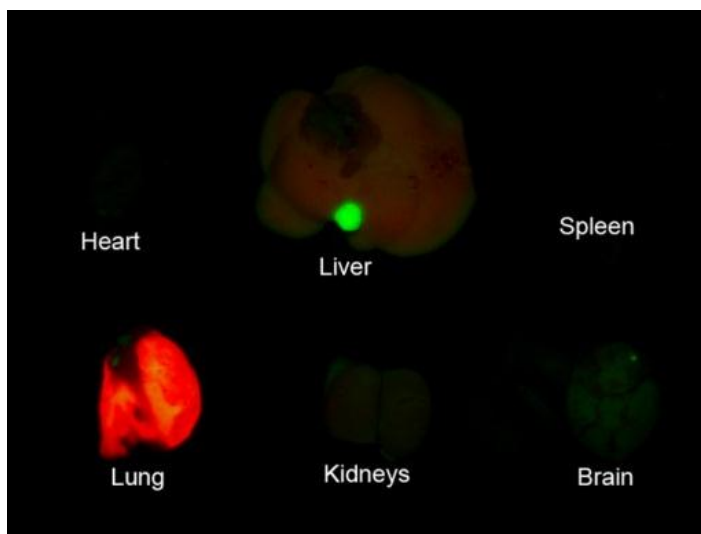


Figure S3. In vivo fluorescent image of InP/ZnS theranostic nanoprobe treated tumor bearing mouse. Since the penetration depth of the blue excitation is rather shallow, fluorescent signals from the InP/ZnS nanoprobes in the organs could hardly be detected.



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Figure S4. Fluorescent image of the major organs dissected, showing the nanoprobes accumulated mainly in the liver and lung after 15 hours of circulation.