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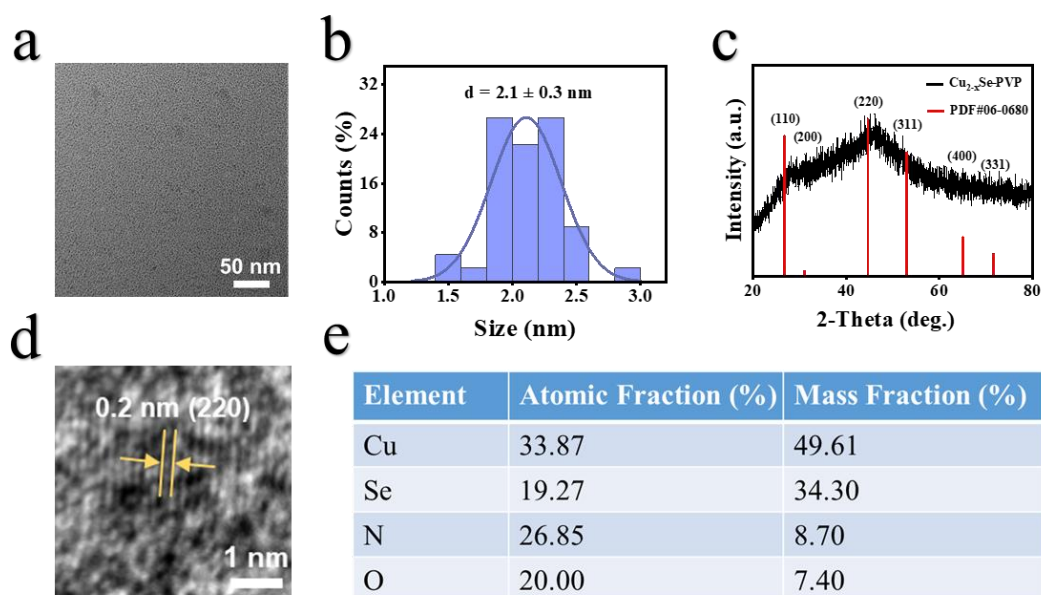
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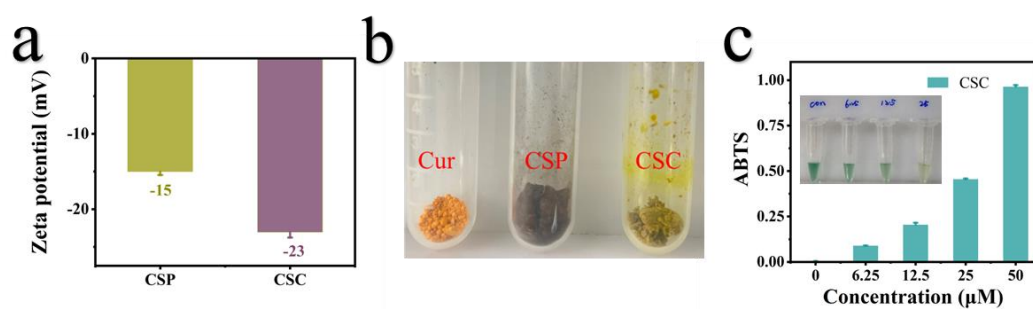
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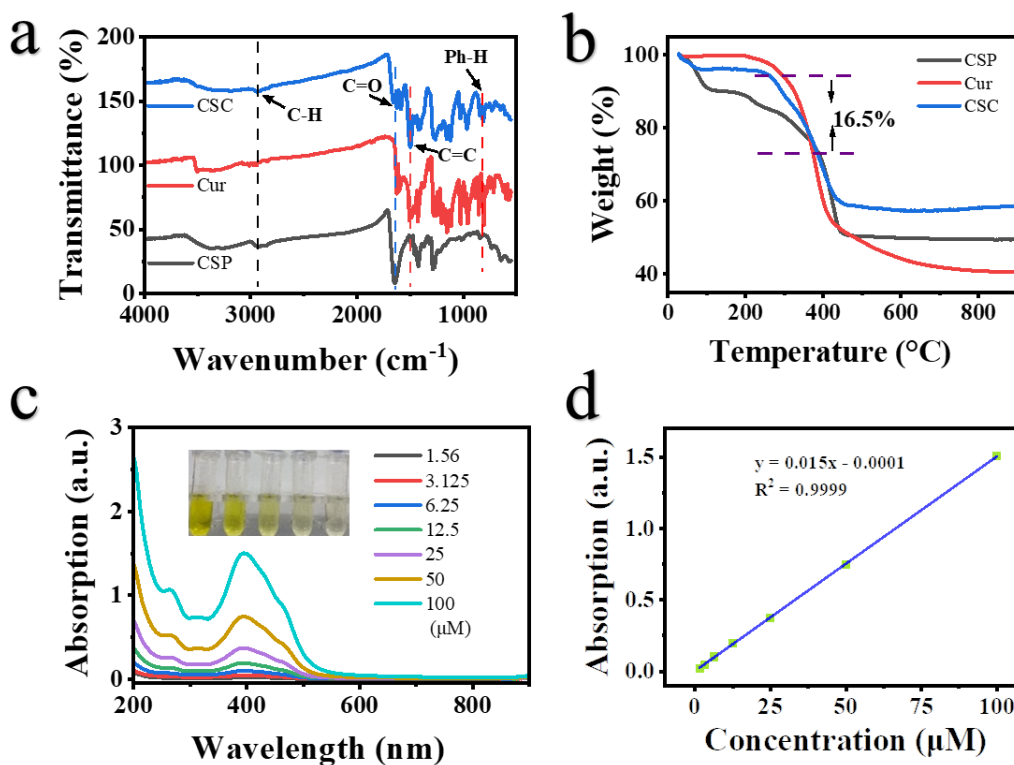
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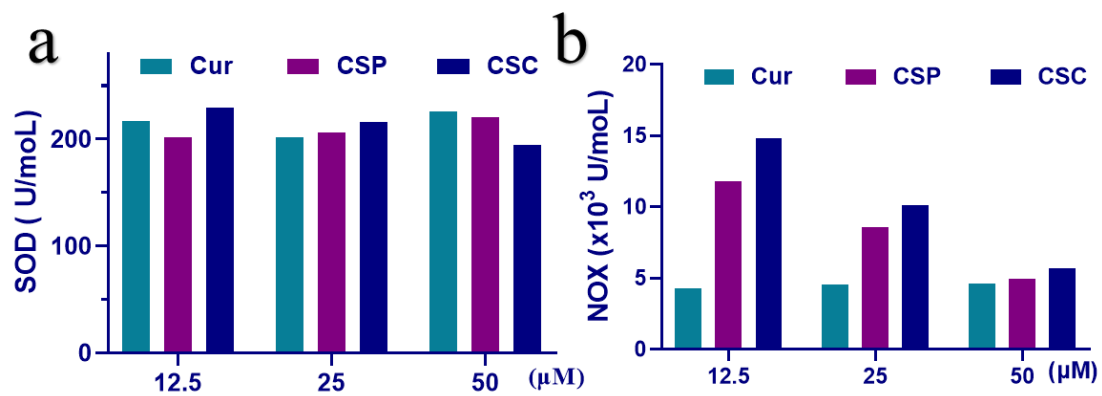
**Figure S1.** a-b) TEM image and particle size distribution of CSP NPs. c) XRD pattern of CSP NPs in comparison with the standard diffraction peaks of cubic berzelianite (JCPDS Card No. 06–0680). d-e) Corresponding high-resolution transmission electron microscopy (HRTEM) and energy dispersive spectrometer (EDS) analysis of CSP NPs.



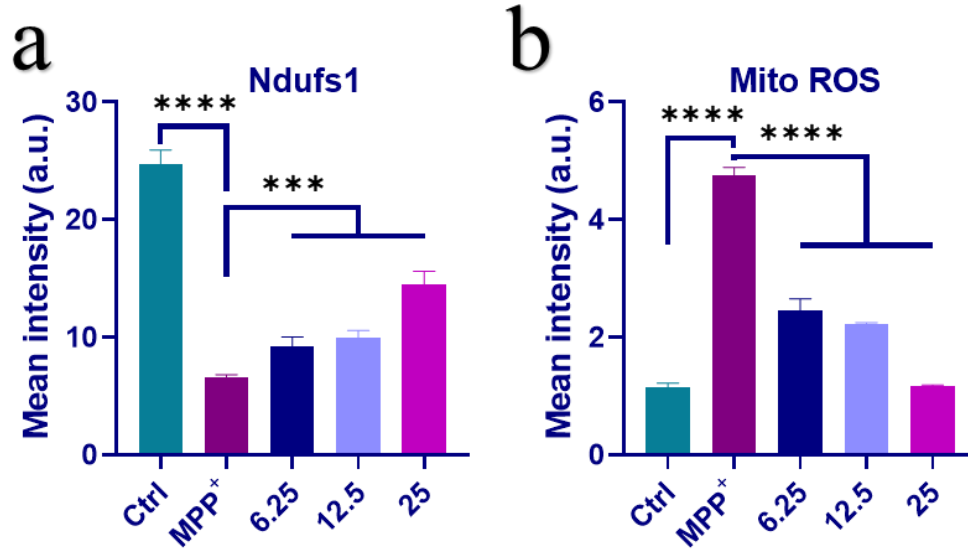
**Figure S2.** a) Zeta potential of CSP NPs and CSC NPs. b) Digital picture of Cur, CSP NPs and CSC NPs powders. c) Total antioxidative capability of CSC NPs with the corresponding photo of solutions (n = 3).



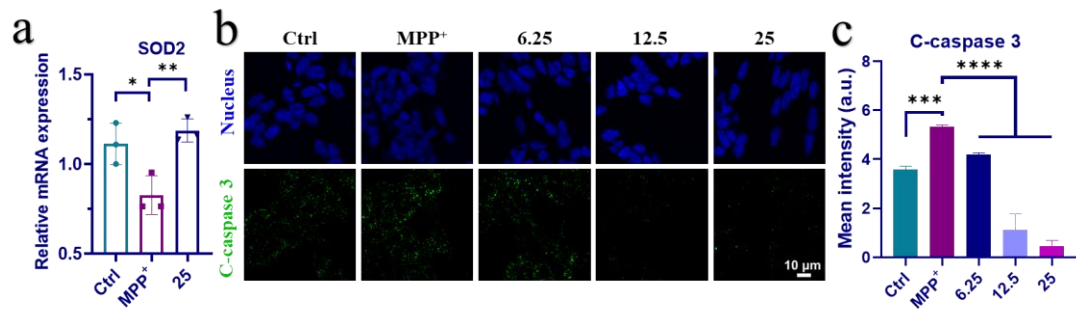
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**Figure S4.** Comparison of a) the SOD-like activity and b) the NOX-like activity of Cur, CSP NPs.

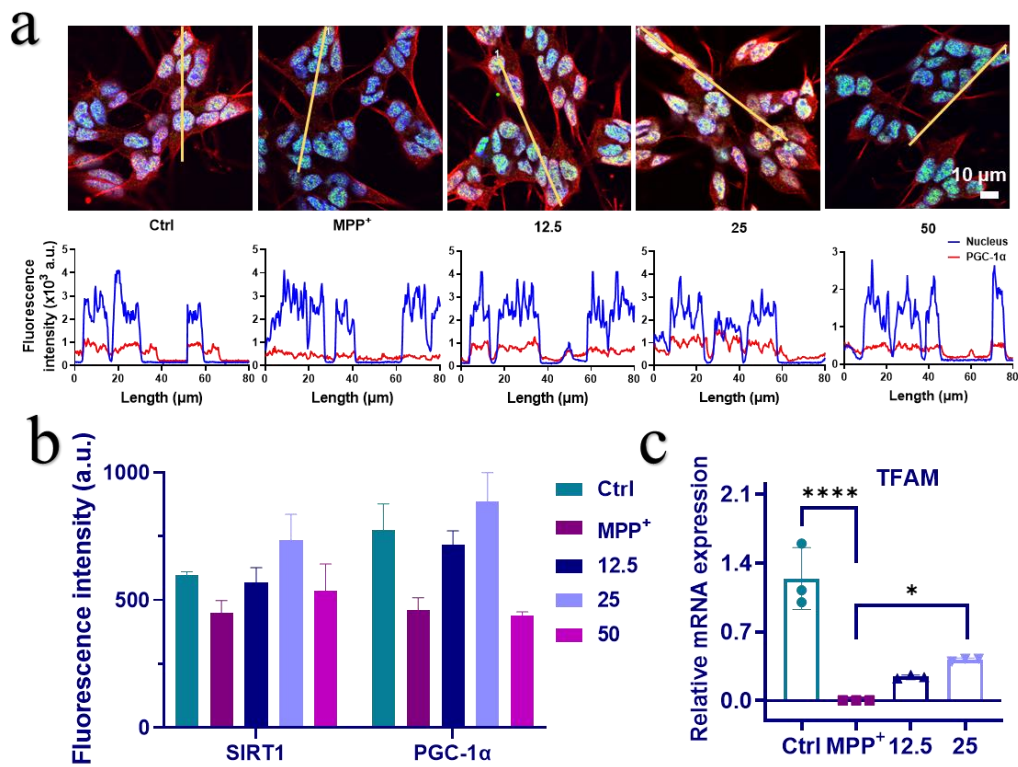


**Figure S5.** Quantitative analysis of mean fluorescence intensity from a) Ndufs1 and b) Mito ROS (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001, \*\*\*\*P < 0.0001, ns, not significant.

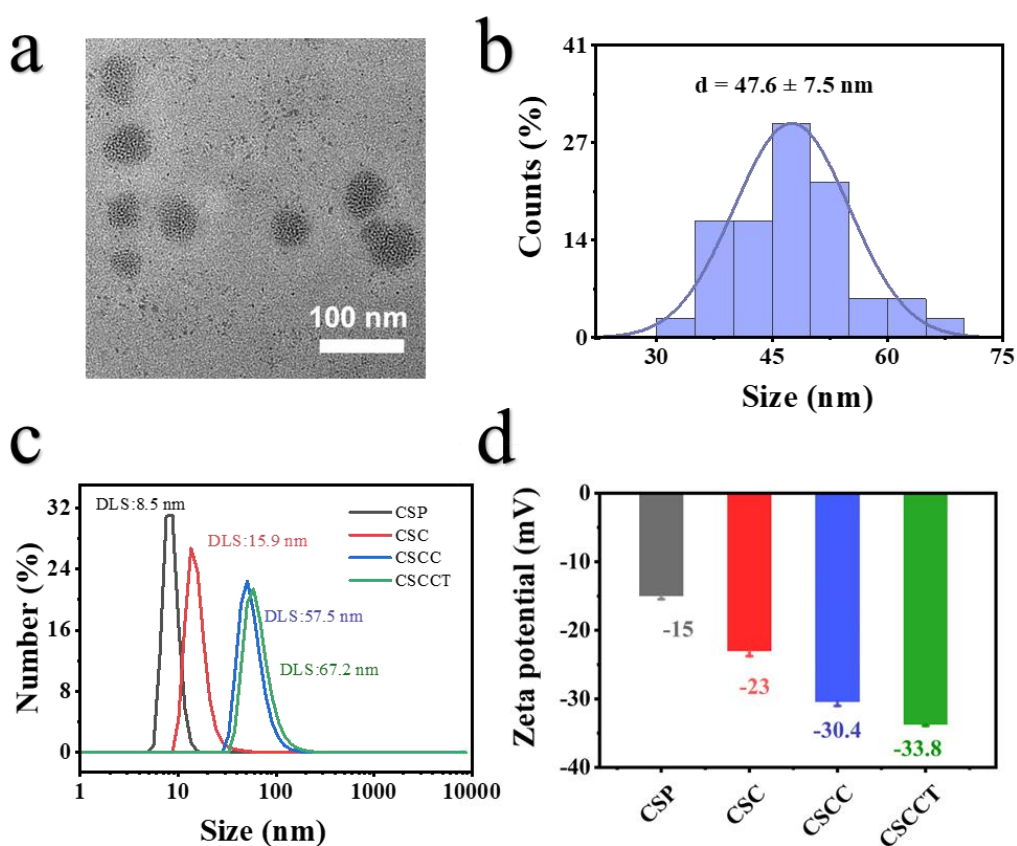


**Figure S6.** a) Gene expression of antioxidative SOD2 enzyme analyzed by qRT-PCR. b) CLSM images indicated the expression of cleaved-caspase 3 in SH-SY5Y cells pretreated by different concentration CSC NPs incubated with MPP<sup>+</sup>. c) Quantitative analysis of fluorescence intensity of C-caspase 3. Blue: cell nuclei; green: C-caspase 3 (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

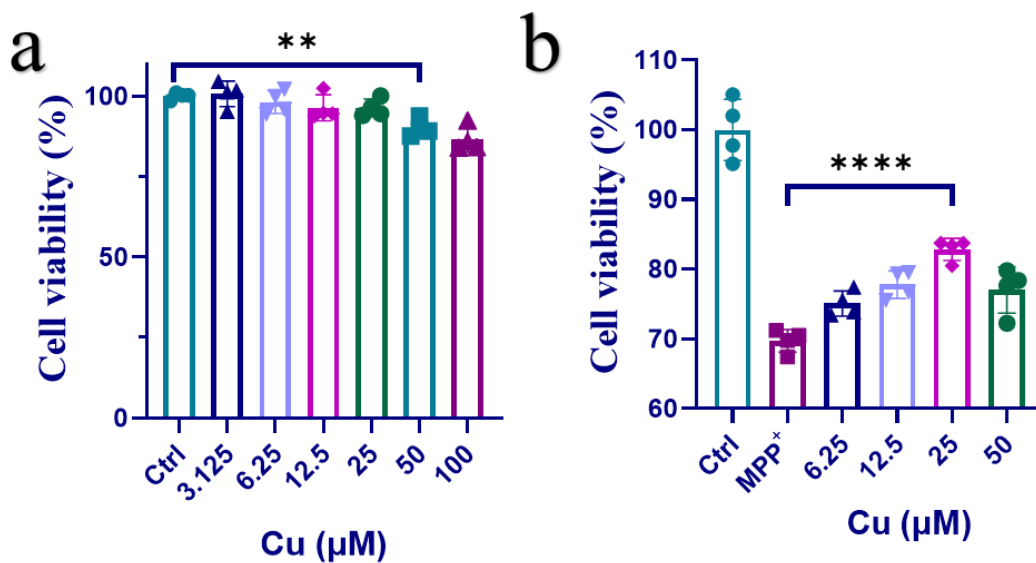




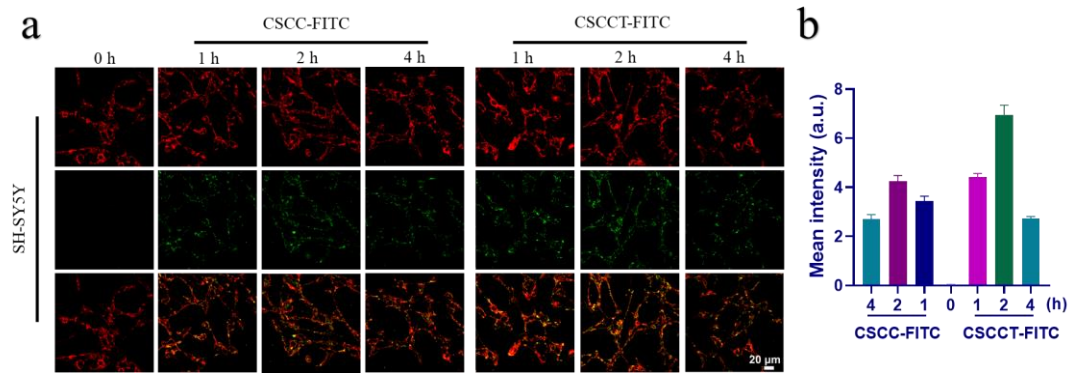
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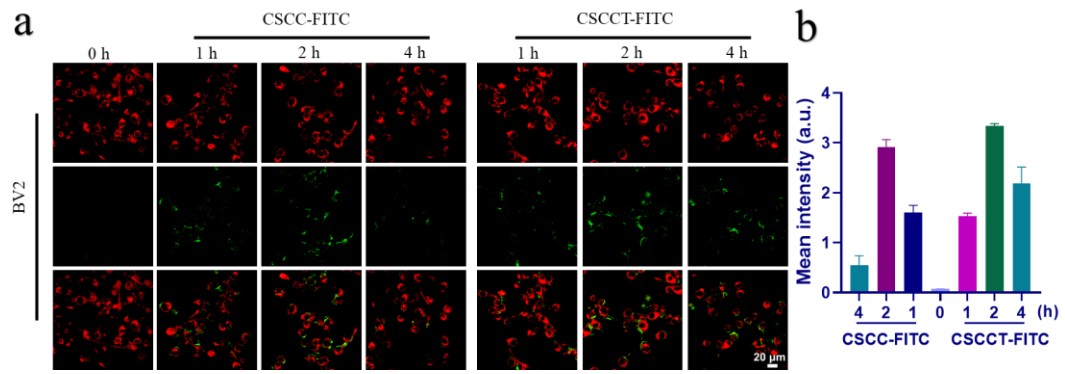
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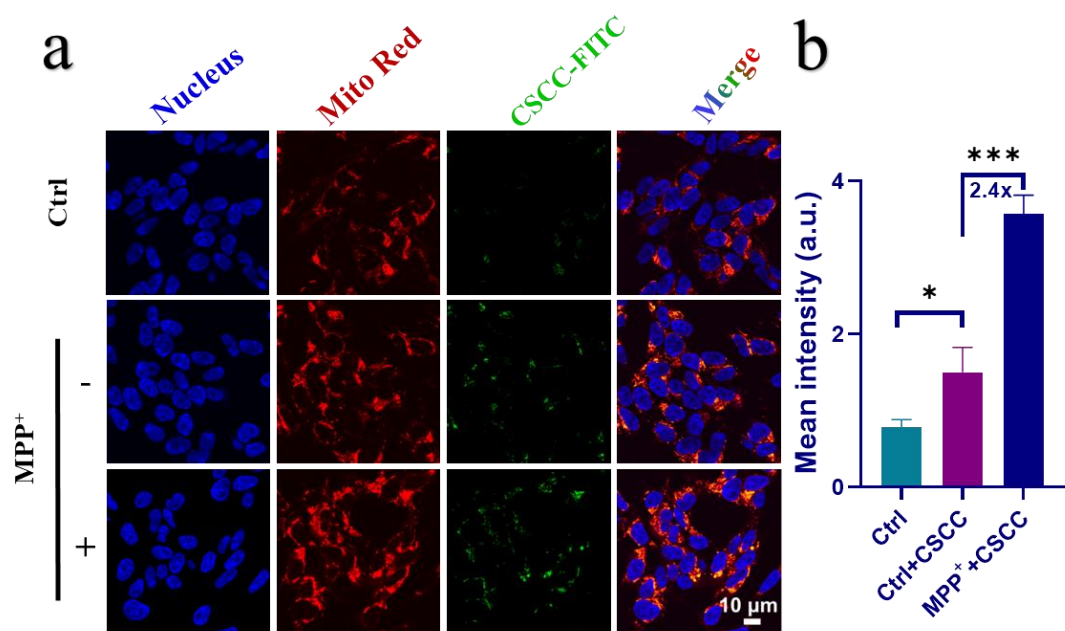
**Figure S9.** a) Cell viability of SH-SY5Y cells after treatment with different concentrations of CSCCT NPs for 2 h (n = 4). b) Cell viability of SH-SY5Y cells after pre-treatment with different concentrations of CSCCT NPs, and then treatment with 3 mM MPP<sup>+</sup> (n = 4). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001, \*\*\*\*P < 0.0001, ns, not significant.



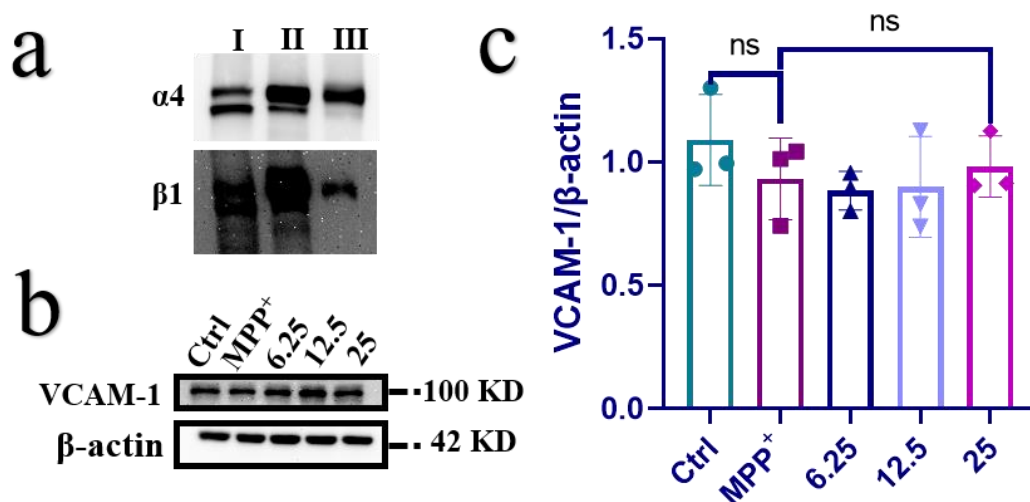
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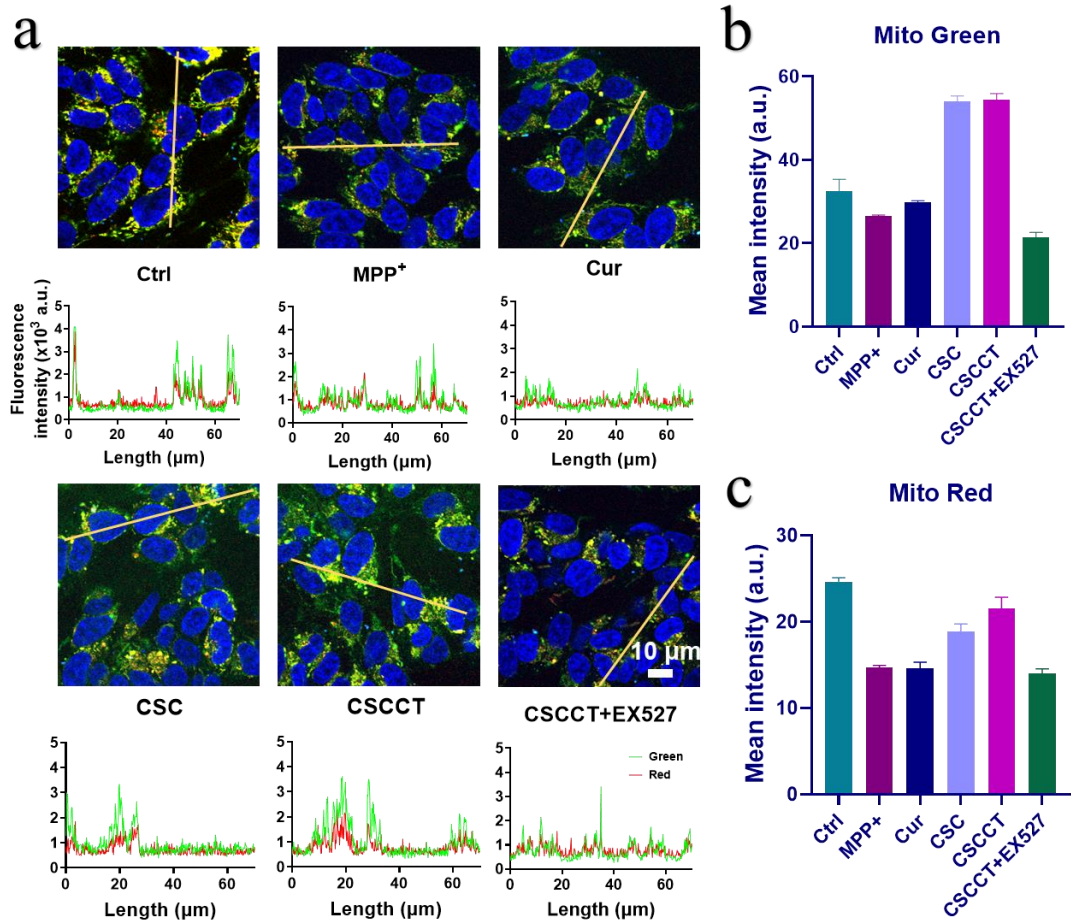
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**Figure S12.** a) CLSM images of mitochondria in SH-SY5Y cells after the cells were treated with or without 0.25 mM MPP<sup>+</sup> for 24 h to mimic an inflammatory environment, followed by incubation with FITC labeled CSCC NPs. Blue: cell nuclei; green: FITC-labeled nanoparticles; red: mitochondria. b) Quantitative analysis of FITC-labeled nanoparticles (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

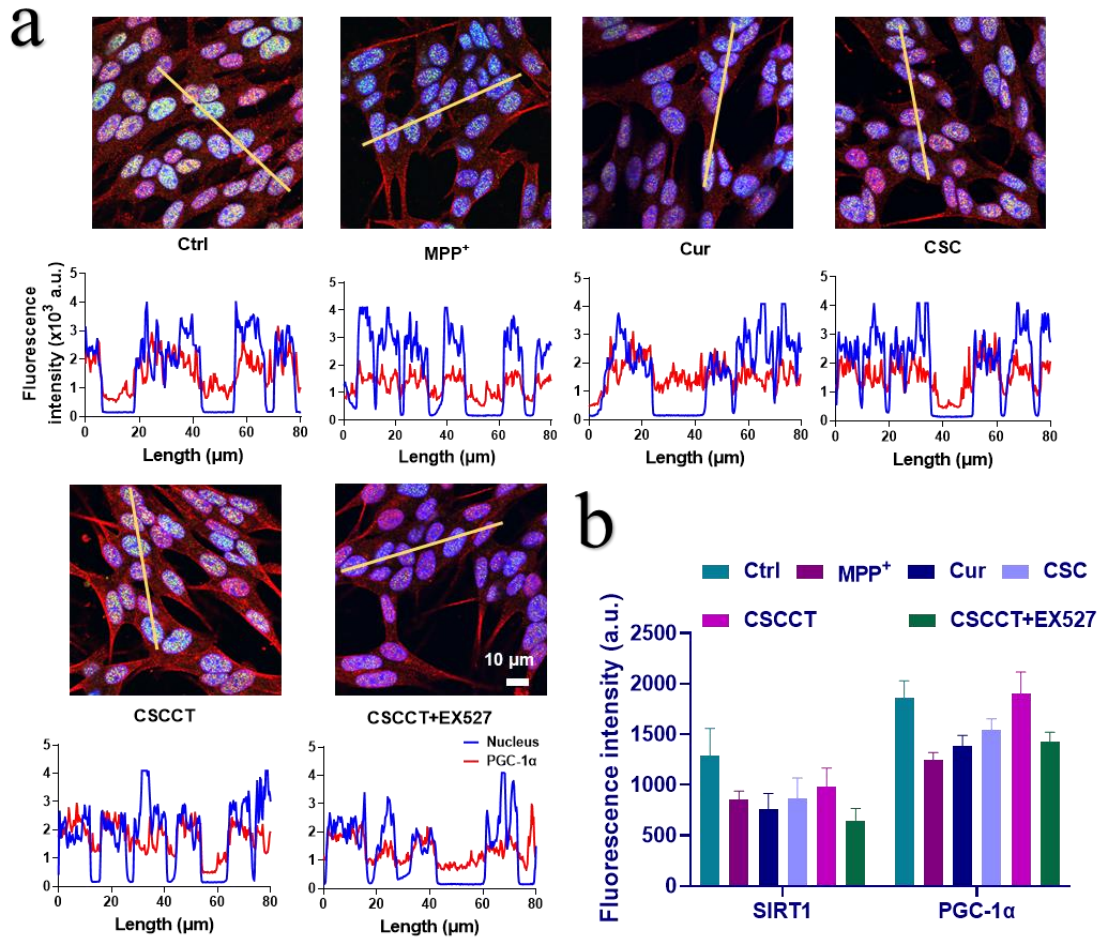


**Figure S13.** a) Western blot analysis of specific proteins on the membrane, including integrin  $\alpha 4$  and  $\beta 1$  proteins from (I) RAW 264.7 cell lysates, (II) RAW 264.7 cell membrane, and (III) CSCCT NPs. b-c) Western blot analysis of VCAM-1 protein from SH-SY5Y cells incubated with MPP<sup>+</sup> and different concentrations of CSCCT NPs (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

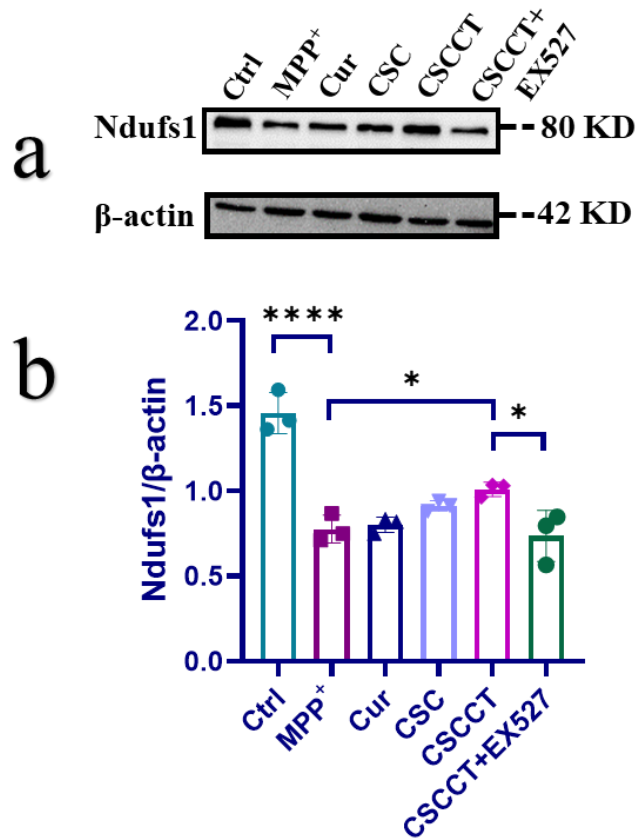


**Figure S14.** a) CLSM images and co-location analysis of total and active mitochondria in SH-SY5Y cells after different treatment. b-c) Quantitative analysis of green and red fluorescence. Blue: nuclei; green: total mitochondria; red: active mitochondria (n = 3).

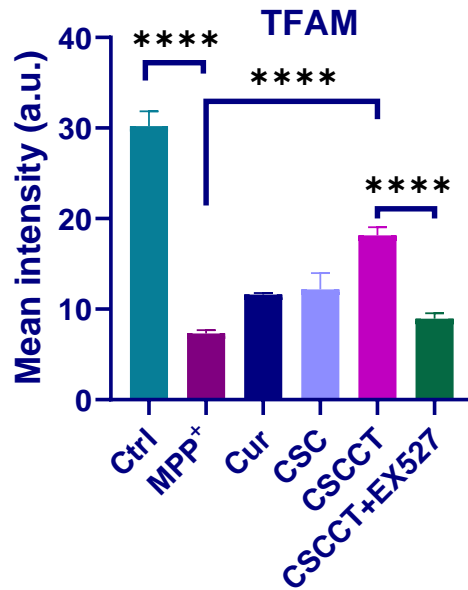




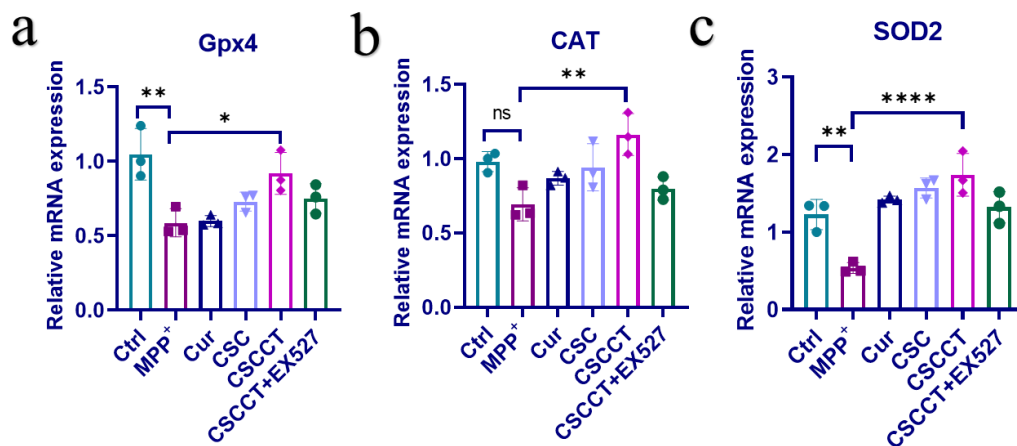
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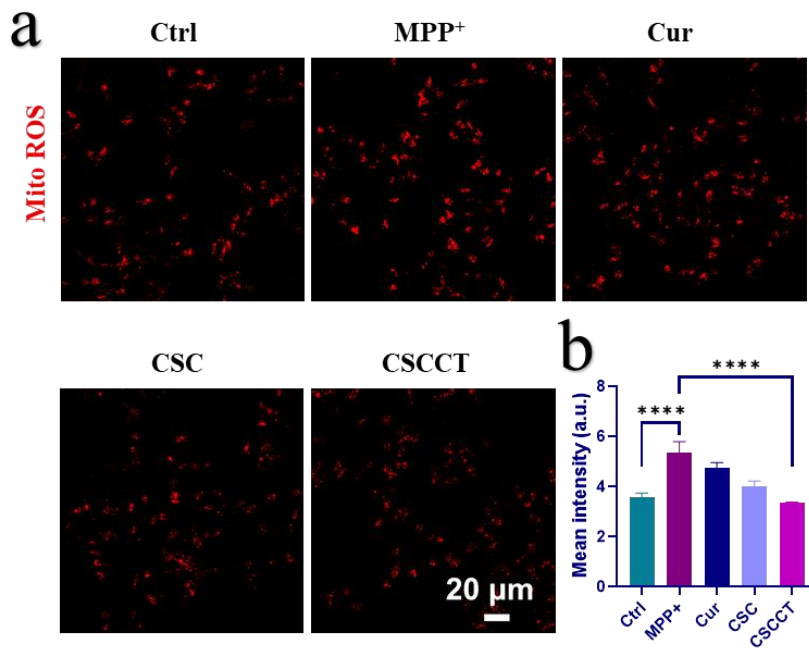
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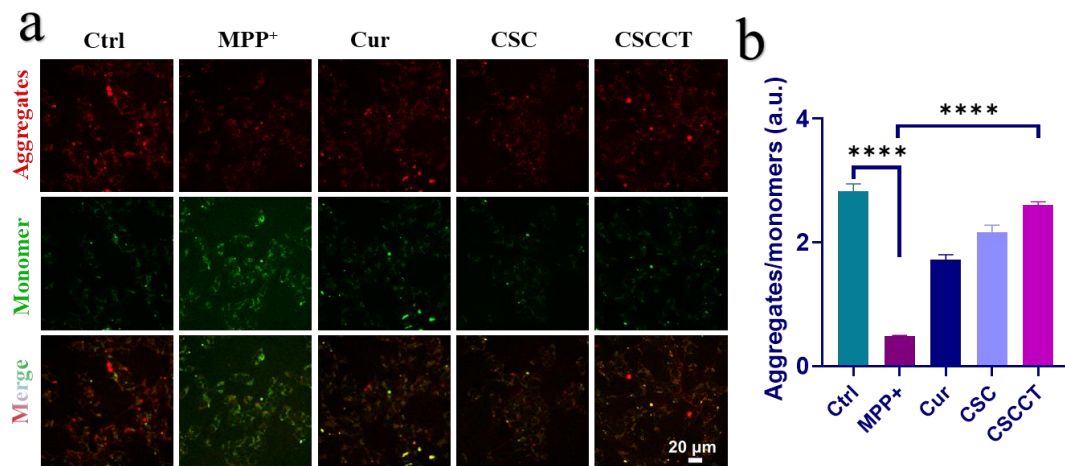
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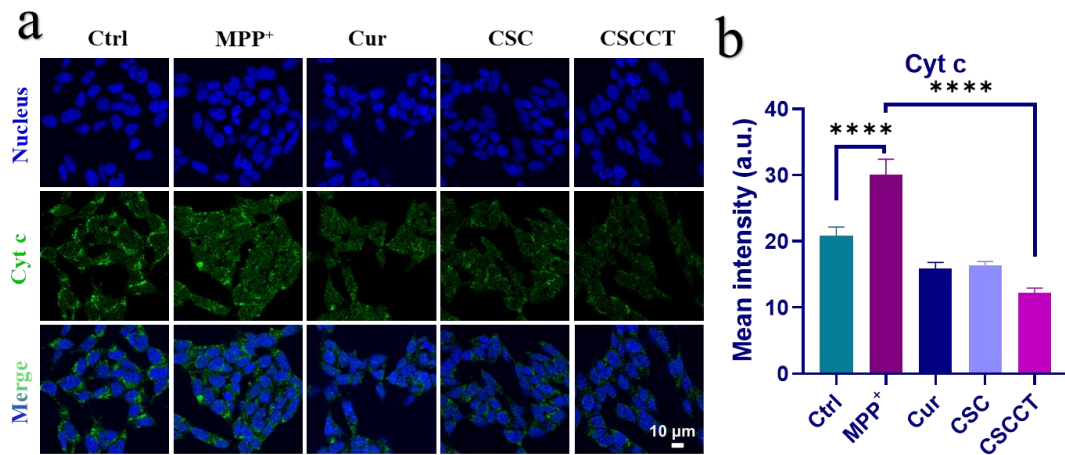
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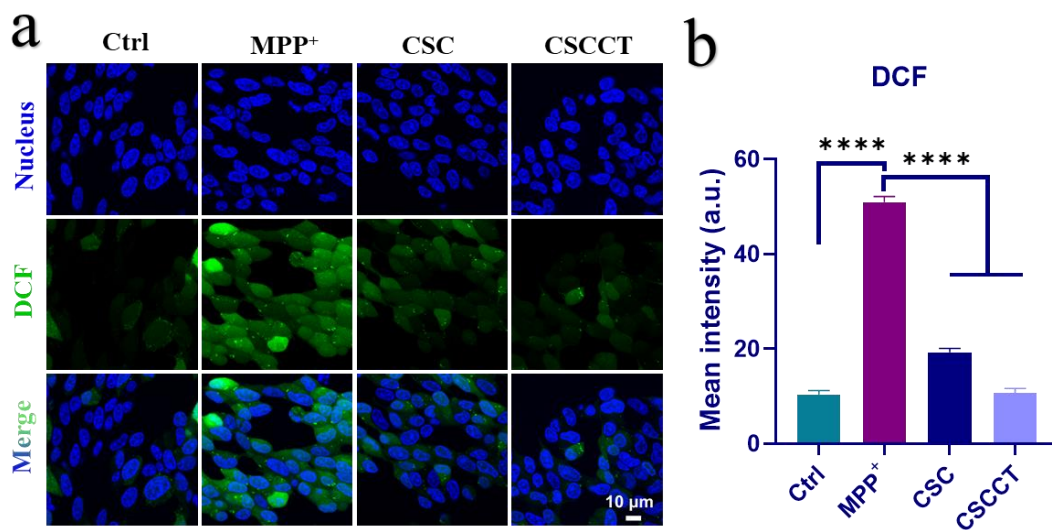
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**Figure S20.** a) CLSM images and b) quantitative analysis of mitochondrial membrane potential (MMP) of SH-SY5Y cells after the cells were pretreated with Cur (25  $\mu$ M), CSC NPs (25  $\mu$ M), and CSCCT NPs (25  $\mu$ M) for 2 h, followed by incubation with MPP<sup>+</sup>. Red: aggregates; green: monomer (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

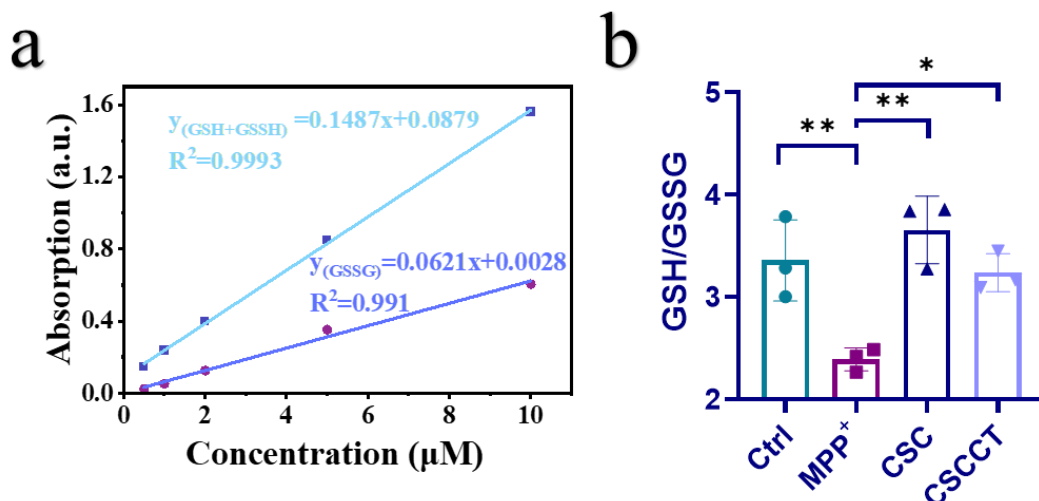


**Figure S21.** a) CLSM images and b) quantitative analysis of the cytochrome c (Cyt c) of SH-SY5Y cells after the cells were pretreated with Cur (25  $\mu$ M), CSC NPs (25  $\mu$ M), CSCCT NPs (25  $\mu$ M) for 2 h, followed by incubation with MPP<sup>+</sup>. Blue: nuclei; green: Cyt c (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

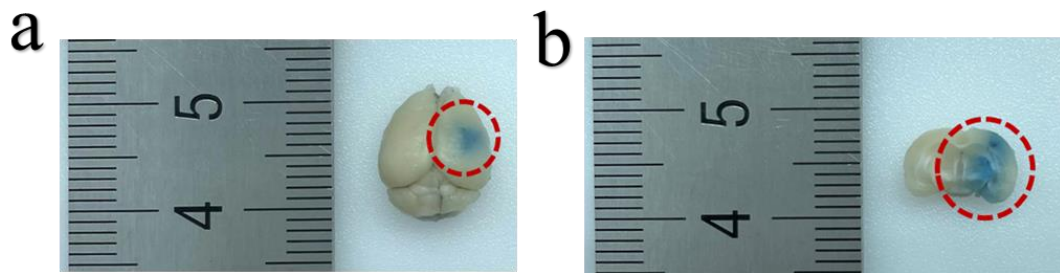


**Figure S22.** a) CLSM images and b) quantitative analysis of fluorescence intensity of DCF in SH-SY5Y cells for the detection of intracellular total ROS, before and after they were pretreated with CSC NPs and CSCCT NPs and then incubated with MPP<sup>+</sup>. Blue: cell nuclei; green: DCF fluorescence generated from the oxidization of non-fluorescent DCFH by ROS (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

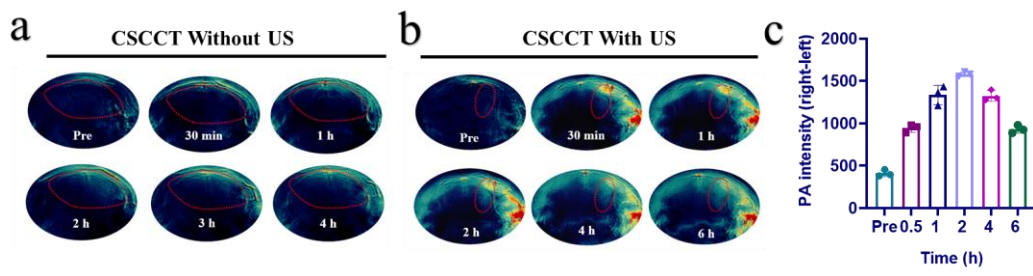




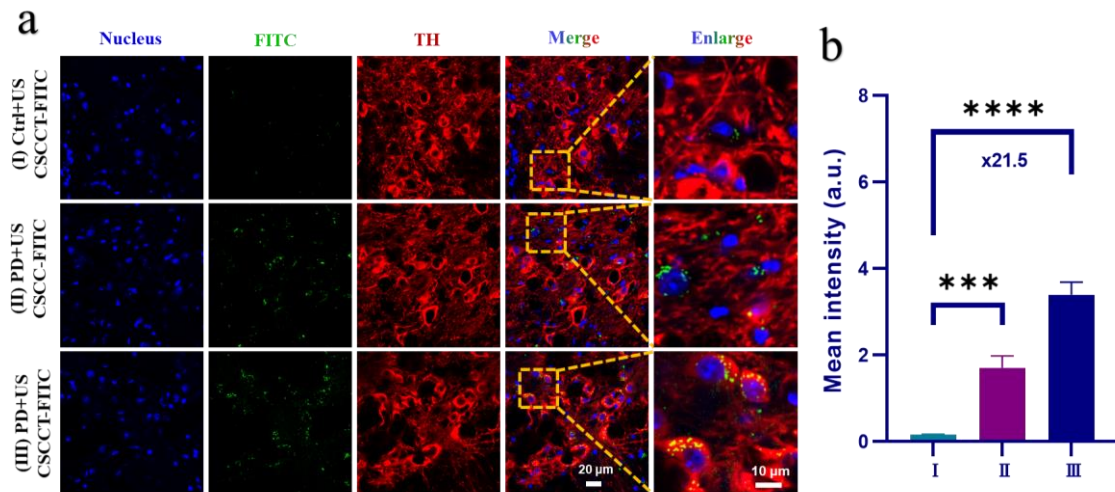
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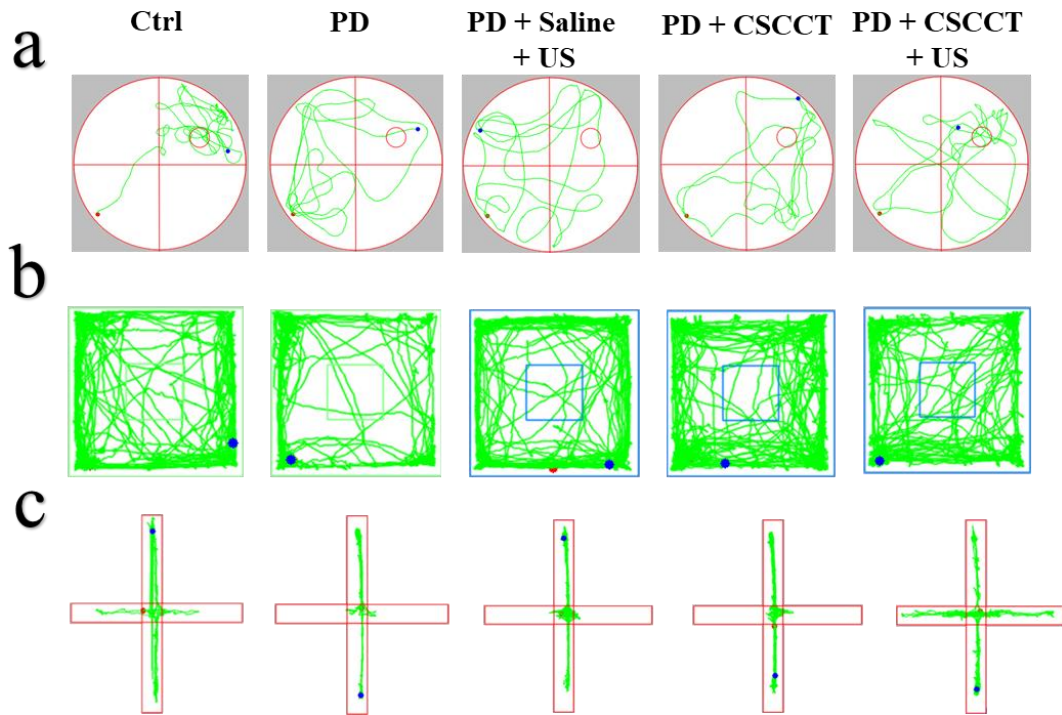
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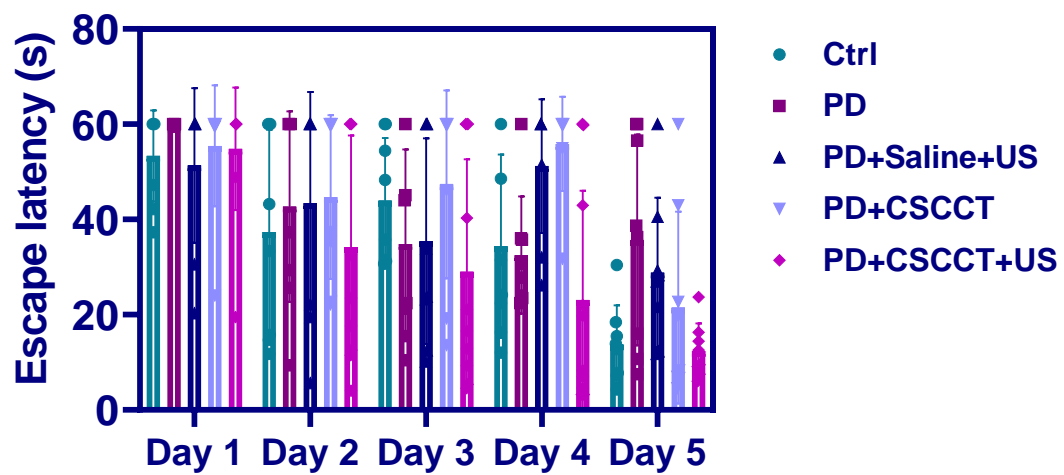
**Figure S25.** a-b) Photoacoustic imaging (PA) of brain collected from nude mice, of which their BBB was opened or not opened with US, followed by intravenous injection of CSCCT NPs. c) PA signal intensity of brain from the nude mice treated with CSCCT NPs and US (n = 3).



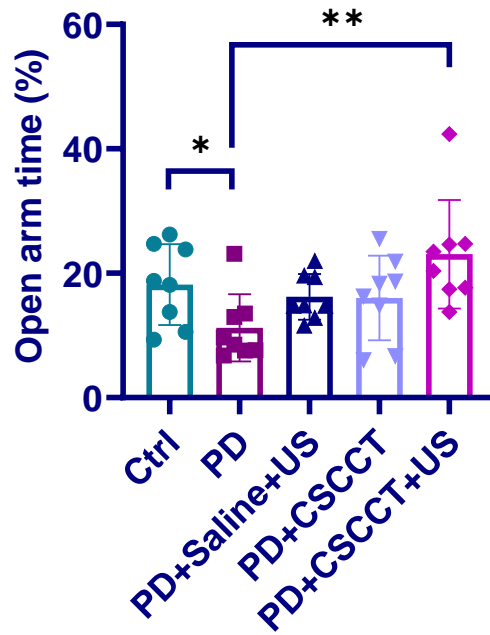
**Figure S26.** a) CLSM images and b) corresponding quantitative analysis of fluorescence intensity from FITC-labeled nanoparticles in the substantia nigra of right brain slices from (I) Ctrl + US + CSCCT-FITC group, (II) PD + US + CSCCT-FITC group, and (III) PD + US + CSCCT-FITC group, blue: nucleus; green: FITC-labeled nanoparticles; red: TH positive neurons (n = 3). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ , \*\*\* $P < 0.001$ , \*\*\*\* $P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.



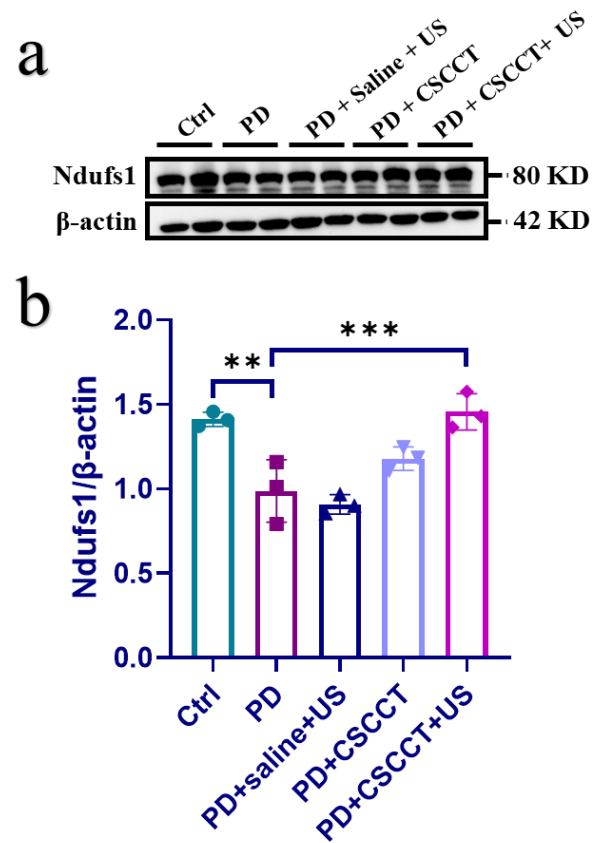
**Figure S27.** Representative paths of mice from different groups of mice obtained from a) the Morris water maze test, b) open field and c) elevated plus-maze from five different groups of mice (n = 8).



**Figure S28.** Histogram analysis of escape latency from five groups of mice obtained from the Morris water maze test (n = 8).

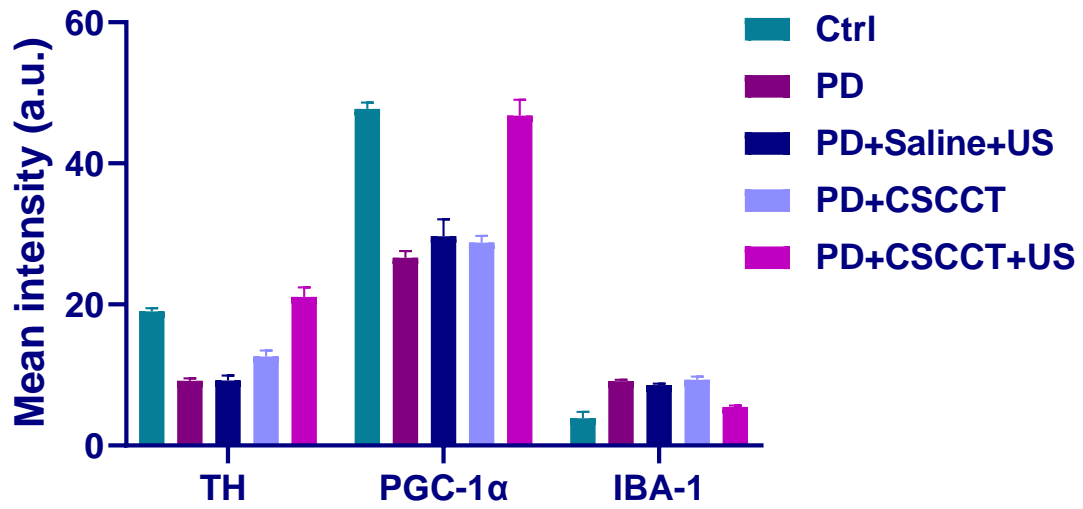


**Figure S29.** Percentage of open arm time in total time from five groups of mice in elevated plus-maze test ( $n = 8$ ). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups.  $*P < 0.05$ ,  $**P < 0.01$ ,  $***P < 0.001$ ,  $****P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.

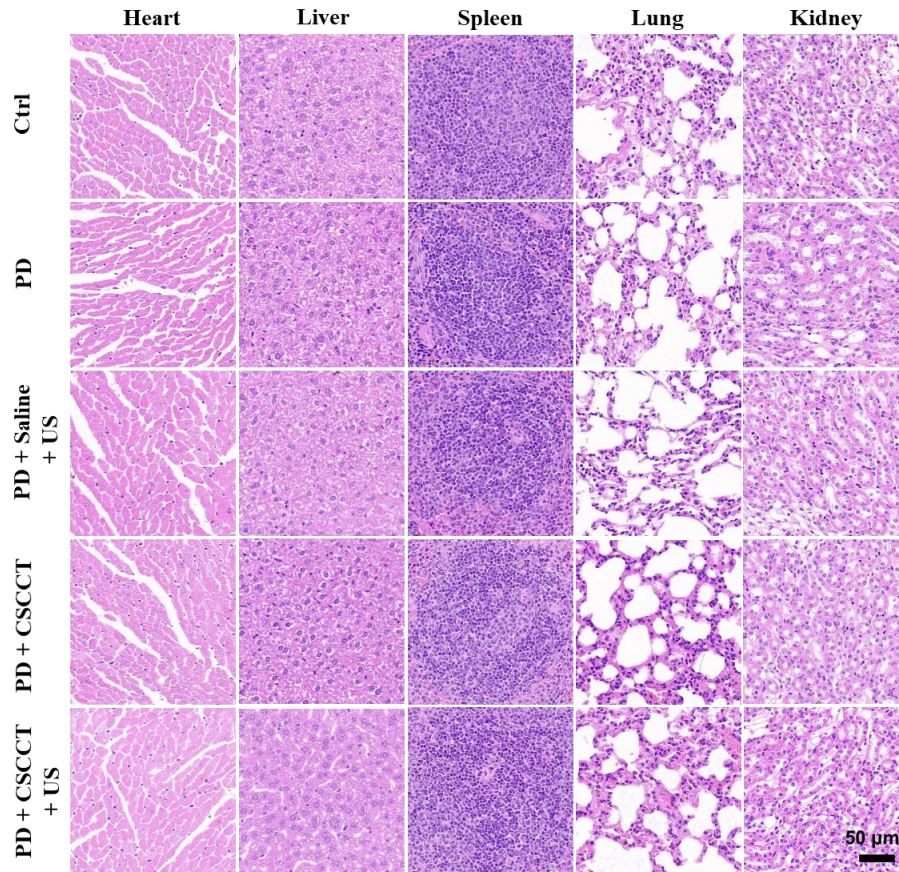


**Figure S30.** a) Western blot and b) relative quantitative analysis of Ndufs1 protein from different groups of mice ( $n = 3$ ). The two-sided one-way ANOVA with a Tukey post-hoc analysis was used for comparison among multiple groups.  $*P < 0.05$ ,  $**P < 0.01$ ,  $***P < 0.001$ ,  $****P < 0.0001$ , ns, not significant.





**Figure S31.** Quantitative analysis of fluorescence intensity from TH, PGC-1 $\alpha$  and IBA-1 in five groups of mice (n = 3).



**Figure S32.** H&E staining images of major organs, including the heart, liver, spleen, lung and kidney collected from the different groups of mice (n = 3).