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High Performance *In Vivo* **Near-IR (>1 μm) Imaging and Photothermal Cancer Therapy with Carbon Nanotubes**

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Table S-1 Serum chemistry and hematology data. We compared the blood chemistry of ten treated mice with control untreated mice 51 days post-injection and 48 days post-NIR laser irradiation at 0.6 W/cm² for 5 min. All values fall within the normal range for BALB/c mice (less than 1 year in age). Blood chemistry was also collected again for five treated mice 144 days post-SWNT injection. These data indicated that the liver, spleen, kidneys, and immune system were healthy and functioning. No toxic side affects were detected after injection of SWNTs. Blood was taken for analysis 51 days after injection of SWNTs and 48 days after NIR laser irradiation from all ten mice in the NIR irradiation + SWNT injection treatment group. Blood was also taken for analysis 163 days after injection of SWNTs and 160 days after NIR laser irradiation for five mice in the NIR irradiation + SWNT injected treatment group

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Figure S-1 AFM histogram of SWNT lengths. The lengths of the solubilized SWNTs were determined by AFM. The average length of 50 tubes was 137 nm

Figure S-2 *In vivo* NIR photoluminescence imaging of mice injected with SWNTs. (a) Optical image of a partially shaved BALB/c mouse with 4T1 tumors (indicated by arrows). NIR PL images were taken (b) pre-injection and at (c) 20 min, (d) 6 h, (e) 24 h and (f) 48 h post-injection. At early times, the NIR PL signal (1.1–1.4 μm) intrinsic to semiconducting SWNTs can be seen everywhere in the mouse as the SWNTs are circulating. At later times, high tumor contrast is seen due to the accumulation of SWNTs. Exposure time for all images is 300 ms

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Material	Laser power (W/cm ²)	Irradiation time (min)	Injection dose (mg/kg)	Injection method ^a	Complete tumor destruction
SWNTs (This work)	0.6		3.6	i. v.	Yes
SWNTs $[S-2]$				i. s.	N ₀
Gold nanorods [S-3]	2		20	i. v.	Yes
Gold nanorods (<i>This work</i>)	2		35	i. v.	Yes
Gold nanoshells [S-4]	4	3	N.A. ^b	1. V.	Yes
Indocyanine green [S-5]	52		50	i. s.	N ₀
MWNTs [S-6]	2.5	1.16		i. s.	Yes
Gold nanocages [S-7]	0.7	10	50	1. V.	N ₀

Table S-2 Photothermal efficiency of nanomaterials. A brief summary of the doses, NIR laser irradiation power, and effectiveness of various nanomaterials for photothermal tumor therapy

^a Intravenous injection is abbreviated i. v.; Interstitial (Intra-tumor) injection is abbreviated i. s.

 b Injection dose reported in terms of gold nanoshells/mL.</sup>

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