Gold Nanocluster containing Polymeric Microcapsules for Intracellular Ratiometric Fluorescence Biosensing

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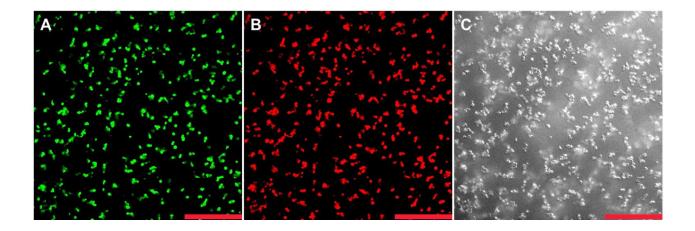


Figure S1. Confocal, fluorescence images of FS / BSA-AuNC containing microcapsules at 0 μ M H₂O₂. Emission intensities collected using 510-540 nm band pass filter **(A)** and 633 long pass filter **(B)**, when excited at 445 nm. **(C)** Differential interference contrast (DIC) images of microcapsules. Scale bars correspond to 50 μ m.

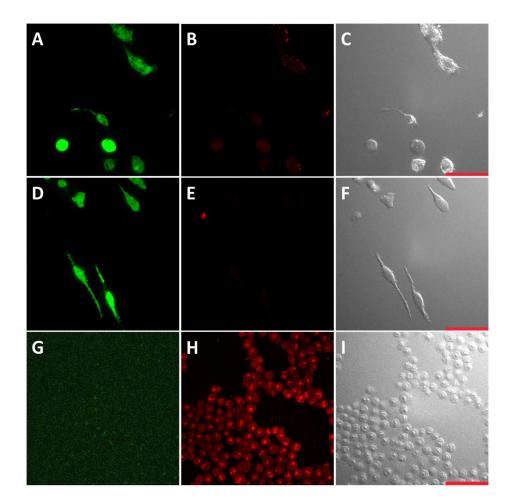


Figure S2. Vitality assay of RAW 264.7 macrophages. CAM emission channel of (**A**) macrophages loaded with microcapsule sensors, (**D**) macrophages not incubated with microcapsule sensors [positive control], (**G**) macrophages treated with bug buster detergent (1X) [negative control]. Ethidium homodimer emission channel of (**A**) macrophages loaded with microcapsule sensors, (**D**) macrophages not incubated with microcapsule sensors [positive control], (**G**) macrophages treated with bug buster detergent (1X) [negative control]. Ethidium homodimer emission channel of (**A**) macrophages loaded with microcapsule sensors, (**D**) macrophages not incubated with microcapsule sensors [positive control], (**G**) macrophages treated with bug buster detergent (1X) [negative control]. (**C**), (**F**), and (**I**) DIC images of cells in panel (**A**, **B**), (**D**, **E**), and (**G**, **H**) respectively. Scale bars correspond to 50 μm.

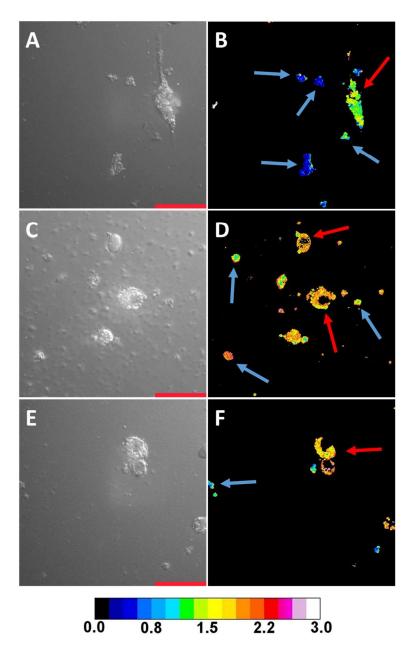


Figure S3. Confocal ratiometric fluorescence images of RAW 264.7 macrophage cells. Pseudocolored images represent the ratio of emission intensities collected using 510-540 nm band pass filter and 633 long pass filter, when excited at 445 nm. (**B**) Cells incubated with microcapsules for 1 hr at 37 $^{\circ}$ C, (**D**) microcapsule loaded cells after H₂O₂ (500 µM) exposure for 30 mins at 37 $^{\circ}$ C, and (F) microcapsule loaded cells after PMA (2 µg/mL) exposure for 30 mins at 37 $^{\circ}$ C. (**A**), (**C**), and (**E**) DIC images of cells in panel (**B**), (**D**), and (**F**) respectively. Scale bars correspond to 50 µm. Blue arrows point to extracellular microcapsule sensors whereas red arrows point to microcapsule loaded cells.