

Supporting Information for:

## **Efficacy-shaping nanomedicine by loading Calcium Peroxide into Tumor Microenvironment-responsive Nanoparticles for the Antitumor Therapy of Prostate Cancer**

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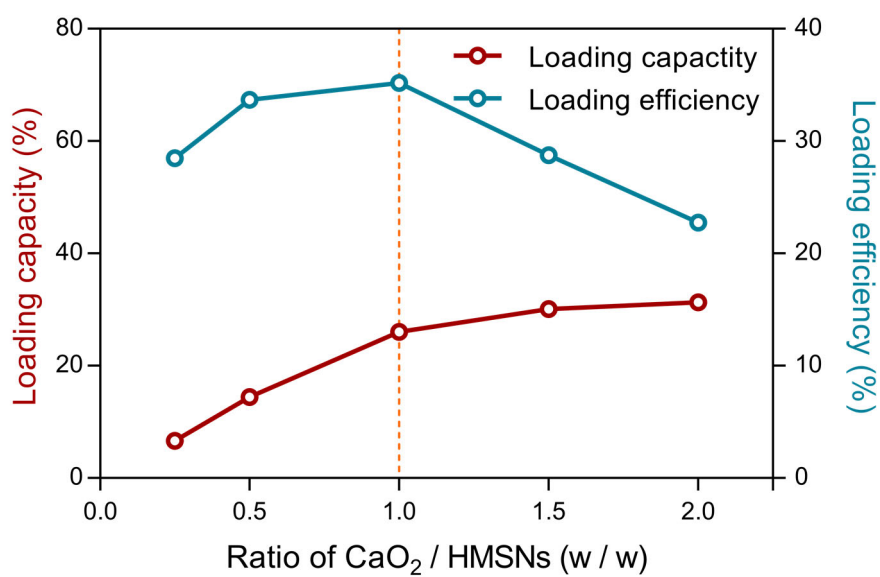
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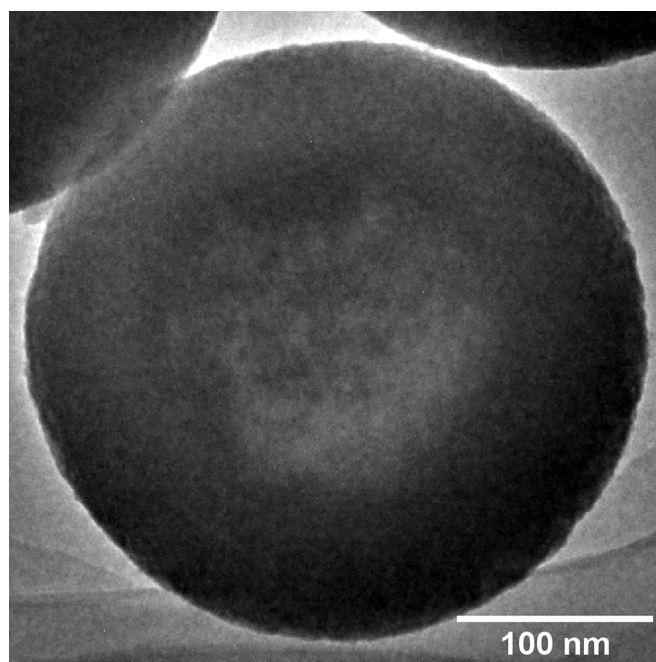
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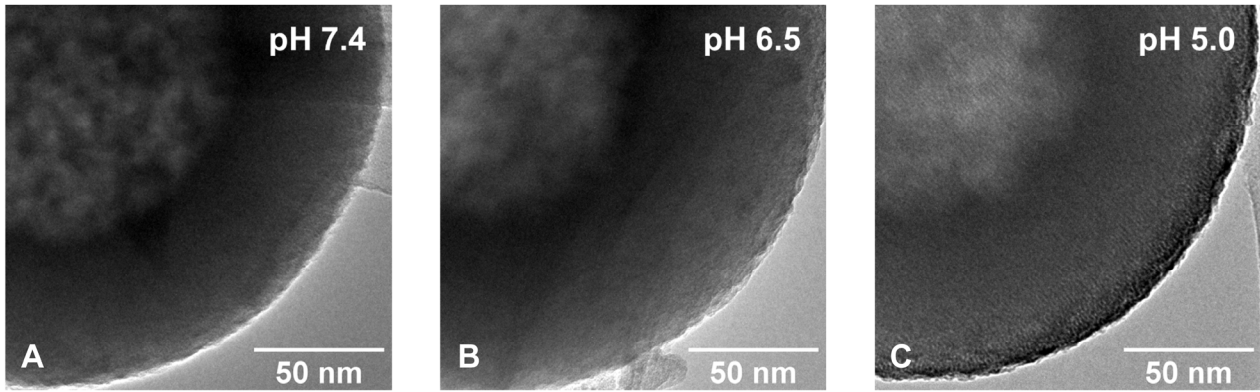
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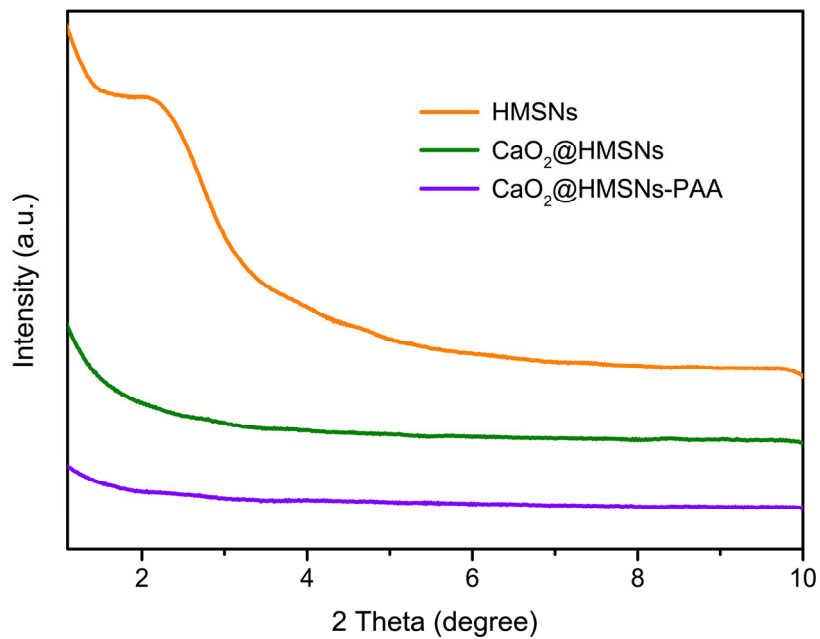
**Figure S1.** The influence of the mass ratio of CaO<sub>2</sub> to HMSNs on the loading capacity and the loading efficiency of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs.



**Figure S2.** Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) image of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs. Scale bar, 100 nm.



**Figure S3. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) images of  $\text{CaO}_2\text{@HMSNs-PAA}$  at different pH values.** TEM images of  $\text{CaO}_2\text{@HMSNs-PAA}$  at pH values of 7.4 (A), 6.5 (B) and 5.0 (C). Scale bars, 50 nm.



**Figure S4. Low-angle X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns of HMSNs,  $\text{CaO}_2\text{@HMSNs}$  and  $\text{CaO}_2\text{@HMSNs-PAA}$ .**

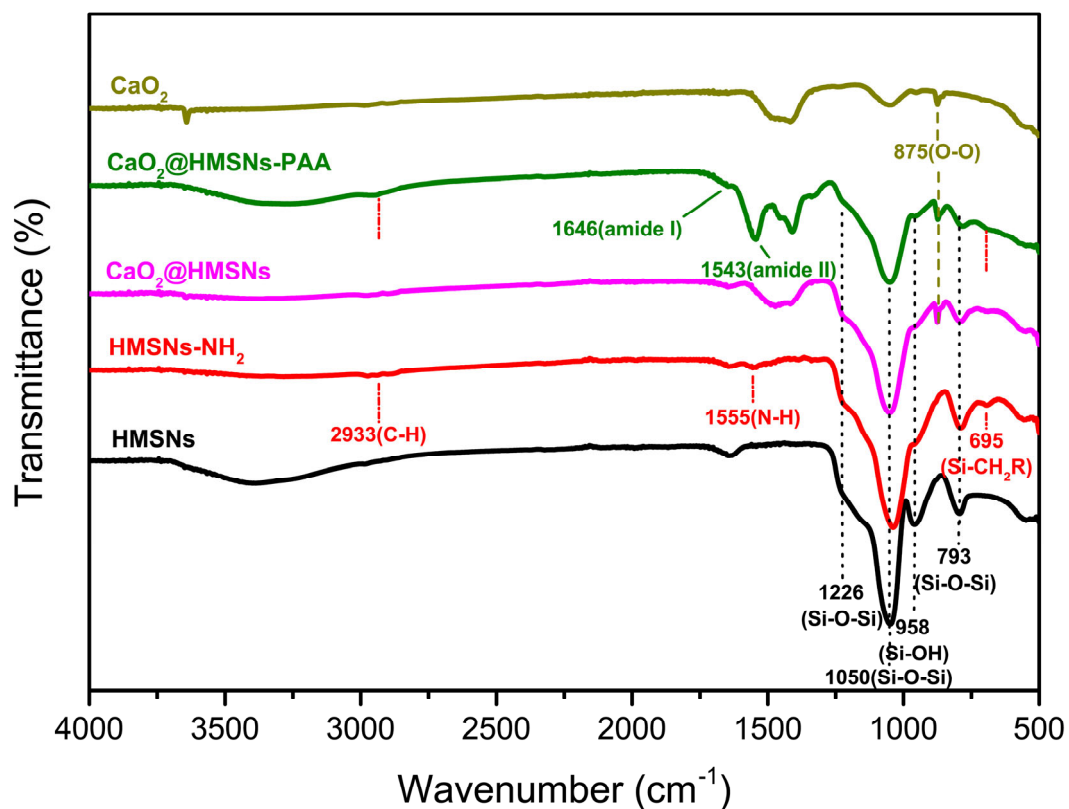


Figure S5. Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectra of HMSNs, HMSNs-NH<sub>2</sub>, CaO<sub>2</sub>, CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs and CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA.

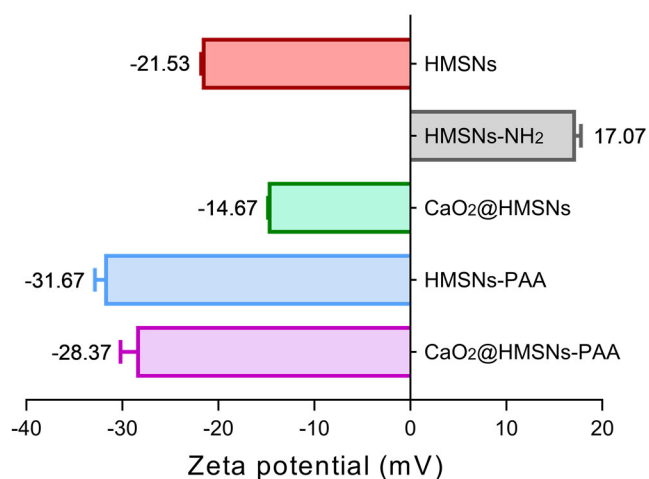
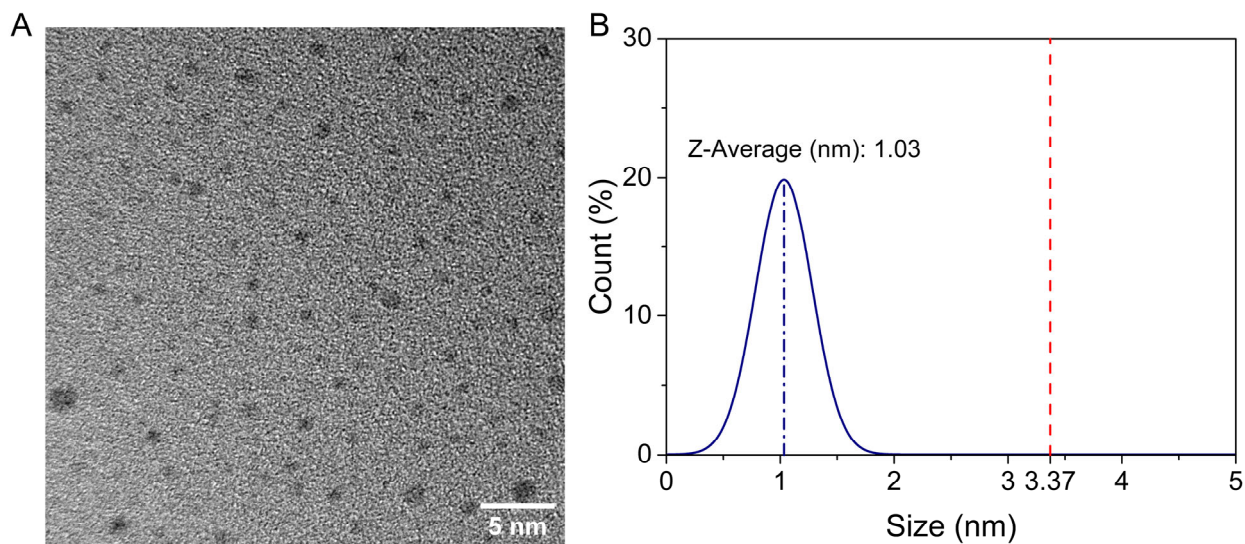
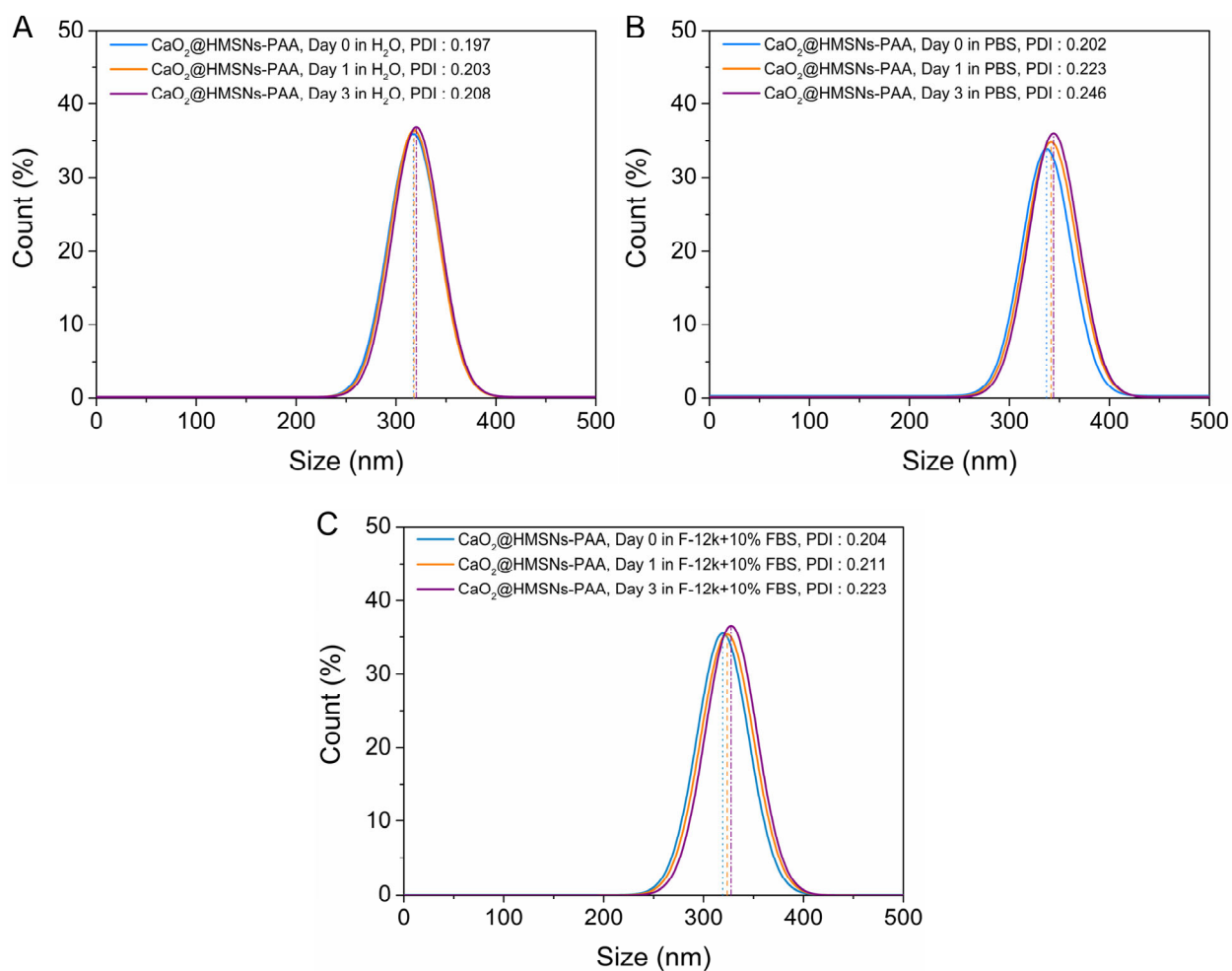


Figure S6. Zeta potentials of HMSNs, HMSNs-NH<sub>2</sub>, CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs, HMSNs-PAA and CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA dispersed in ethanol.



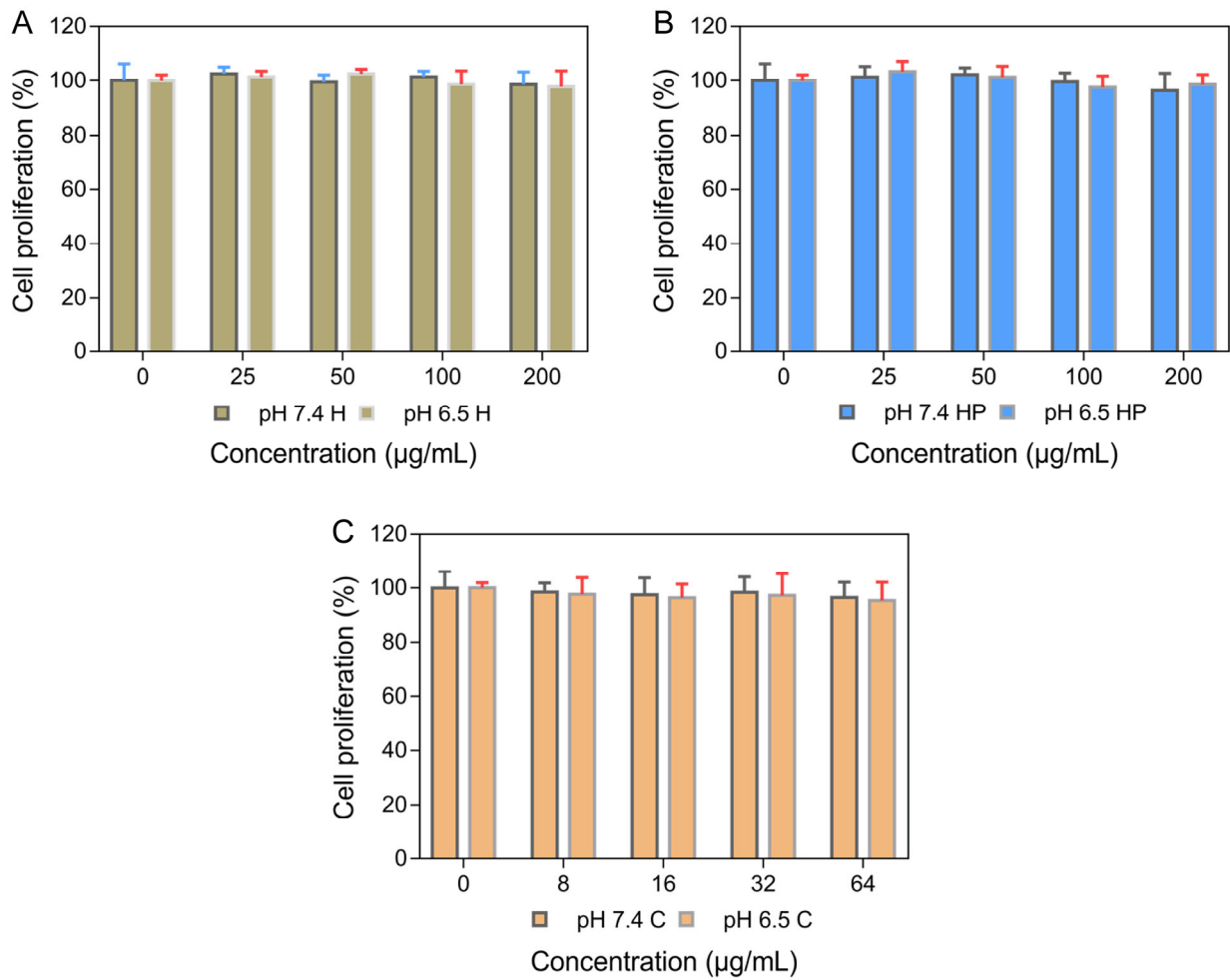


**Figure S7. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) image and particle size distribution of CaO<sub>2</sub> particles.** (A) TEM image of CaO<sub>2</sub> particles. Scale bar, 5 nm. (B) Particle size distribution of CaO<sub>2</sub> particles. The red dash line indicates the average pore size of HMSNs (about 3.37 nm).

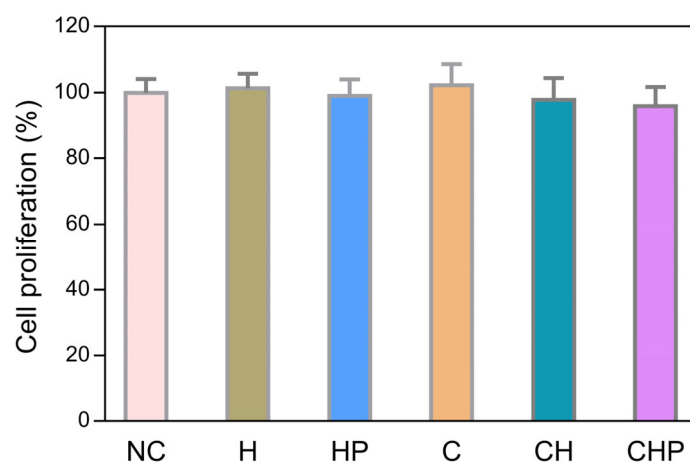


**Figure S8. Dispersibility and stability of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA in various buffers.**

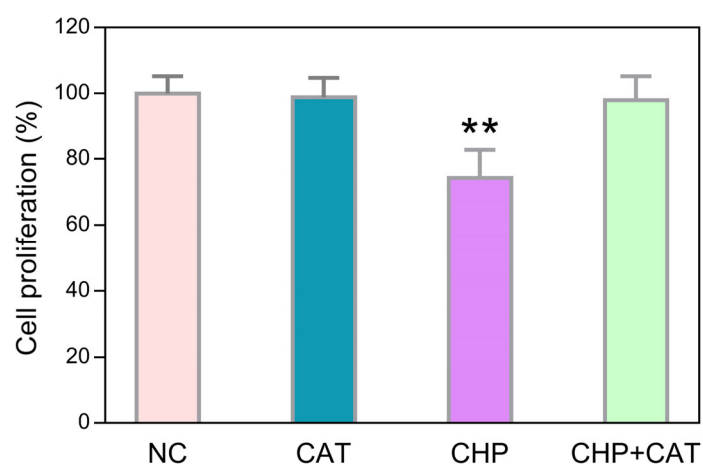
Dynamic light scattering (DLS) particle size distributions and polydispersity indexes (PDI) of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA in H<sub>2</sub>O (A), phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) (B) and F-12K medium + 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS) (C) on day 0, day 1 and day 3.



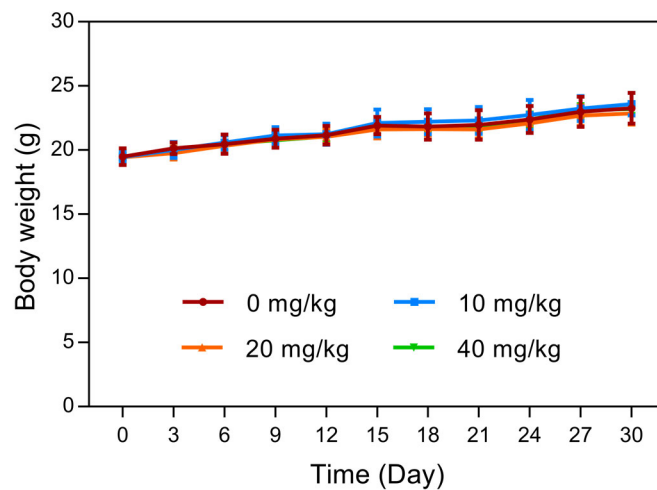
**Figure S9. *In vitro* cytotoxicities of HMSNs, HMSNs-PAA and  $\text{CaO}_2$  against PC-3 cells.** Cell proliferation rates after incubation with HMSNs (A), HMSNs-PAA (B) and  $\text{CaO}_2$  (C). Data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SD ( $n = 5$ ,  $p > 0.05$ ).



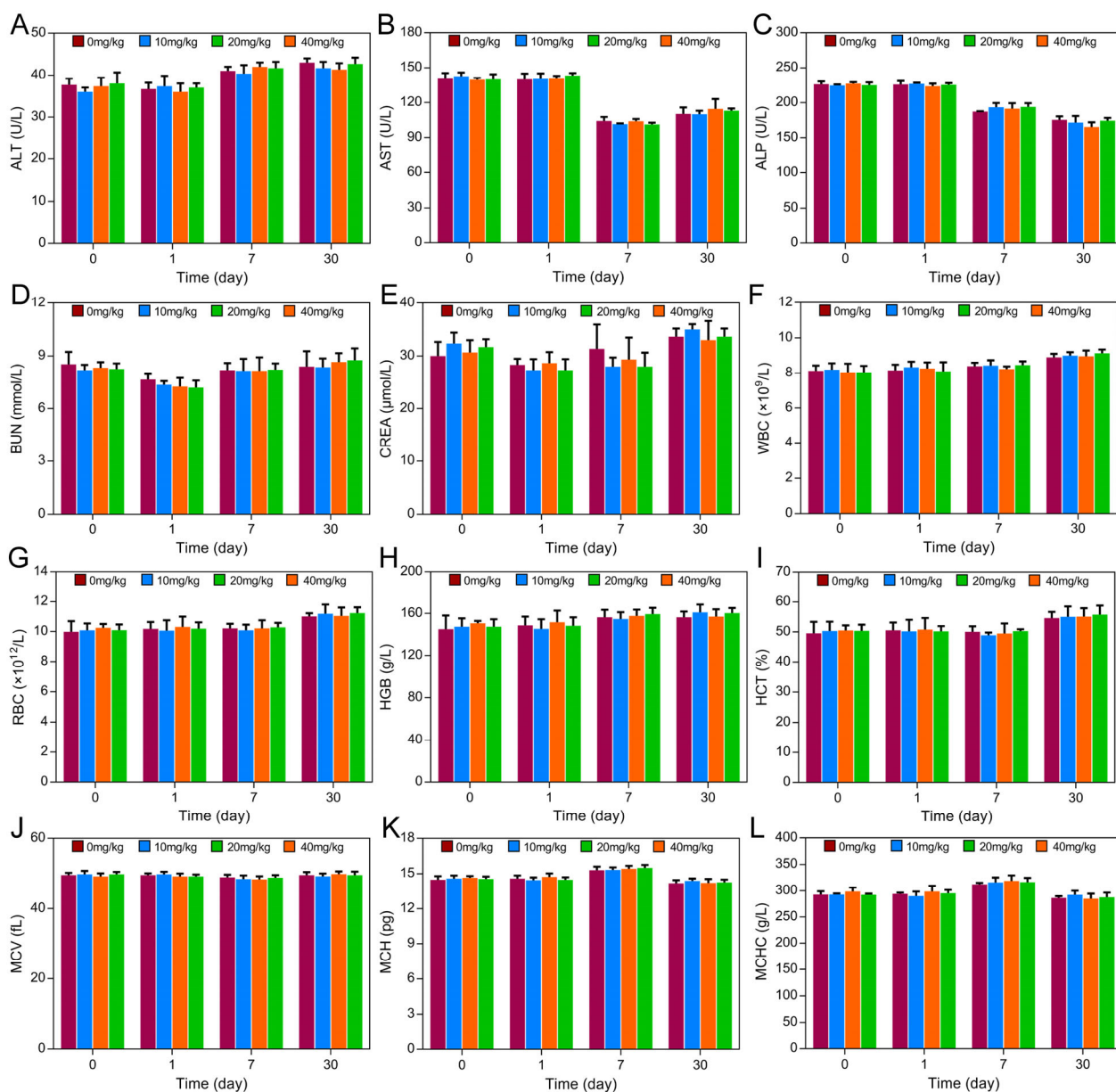
**Figure S10.** *In vitro* cytotoxicities of HMSNs, HMSNs-PAA, CaO<sub>2</sub>, CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs and CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA against RWPE-1 cells under the simulated physiological condition. NC, negative control; H, HMSNs; HP, HMSNs-PAA; C, CaO<sub>2</sub>; CH, CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs; CHP, CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA. Data are presented as the mean ± SD (n = 5, p > 0.05).



**Figure S11.** *In vitro* cytotoxicity of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA plus with catalase against PC-3 cells. NC, negative control; CAT, catalase; CHP, CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA. Data are presented as the mean ± SD (n = 5; \*\*, p < 0.01, vs. the NC group, the CAT group and the CHP+CAT group).

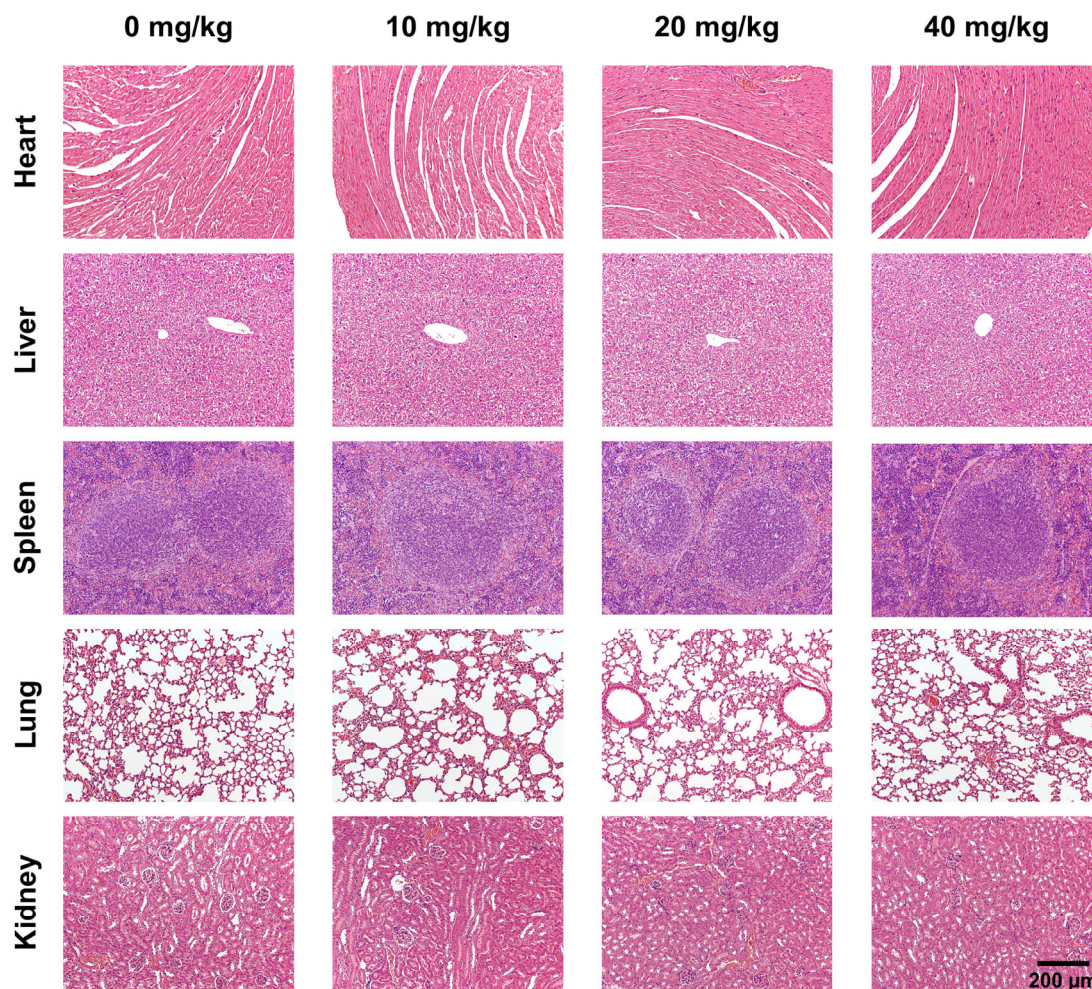


**Figure S12. Body weights of BALB/c mice recorded during the measurement period of 30 days after intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA with doses of 0 mg/kg, 10 mg/kg, 20 mg/kg and 40 mg/kg. Data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SD (n = 5, p > 0.05).**



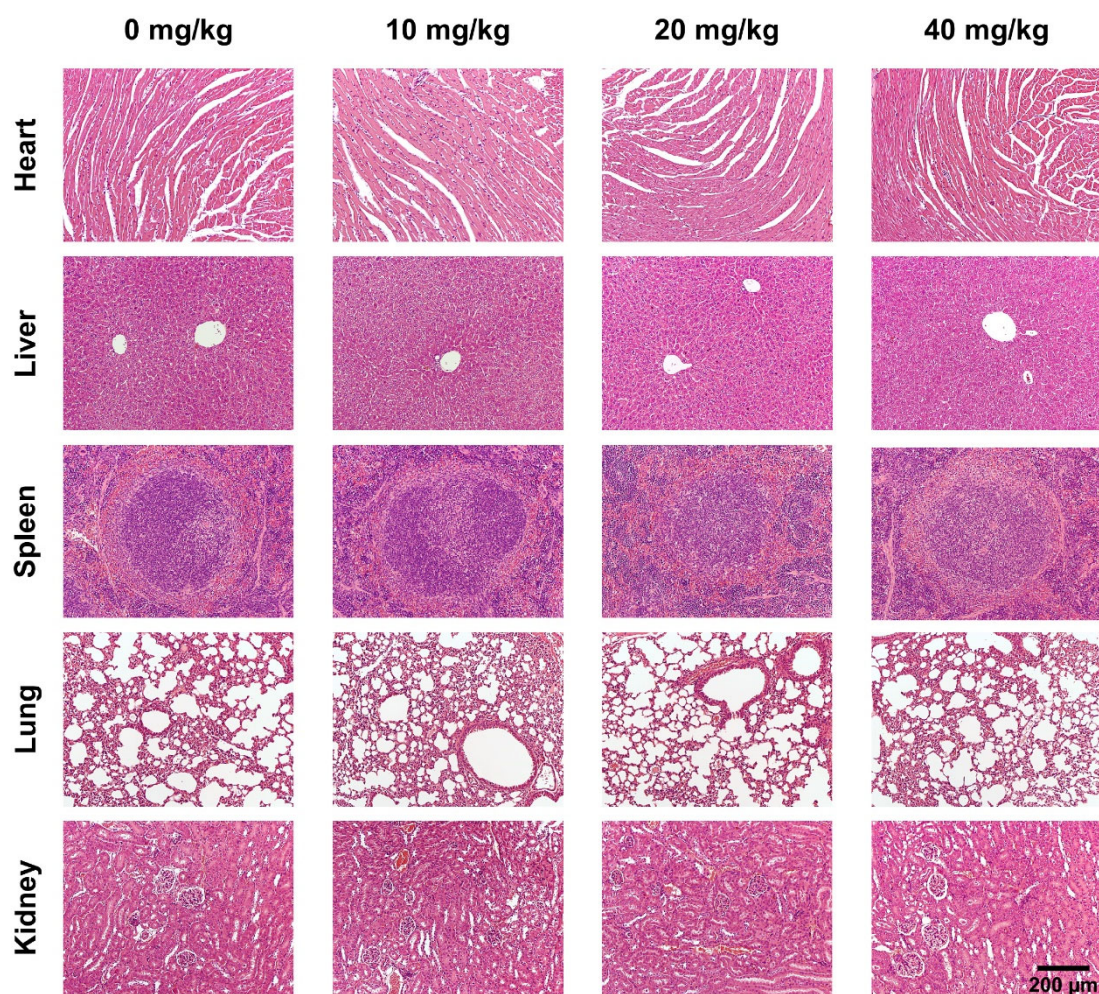
**Figure S13. Liver function, renal function and blood panel parameters of BALB/c mice recorded on day 0, day 1, day 7 and day 30 after intravenous administration of  $\text{CaO}_2\text{@HMSNs-PAA}$  with doses of 0 mg/kg, 10 mg/kg, 20 mg/kg and 40 mg/kg. ALT (A), alanine aminotransferase; AST (B), aspartate aminotransferase; ALP (C), alkaline phosphatase; BUN (D), blood urea nitrogen; CREA (E), creatinine; WBC (F), white blood cells; RBC (G), red blood cells; HGB (H), hemoglobin; HCT (I), hematocrit; MCV (J), mean corpuscular volume; MCH (K), mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC (L), mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration. Data are presented as the mean  $\pm$  SD (n = 3, p > 0.05).**





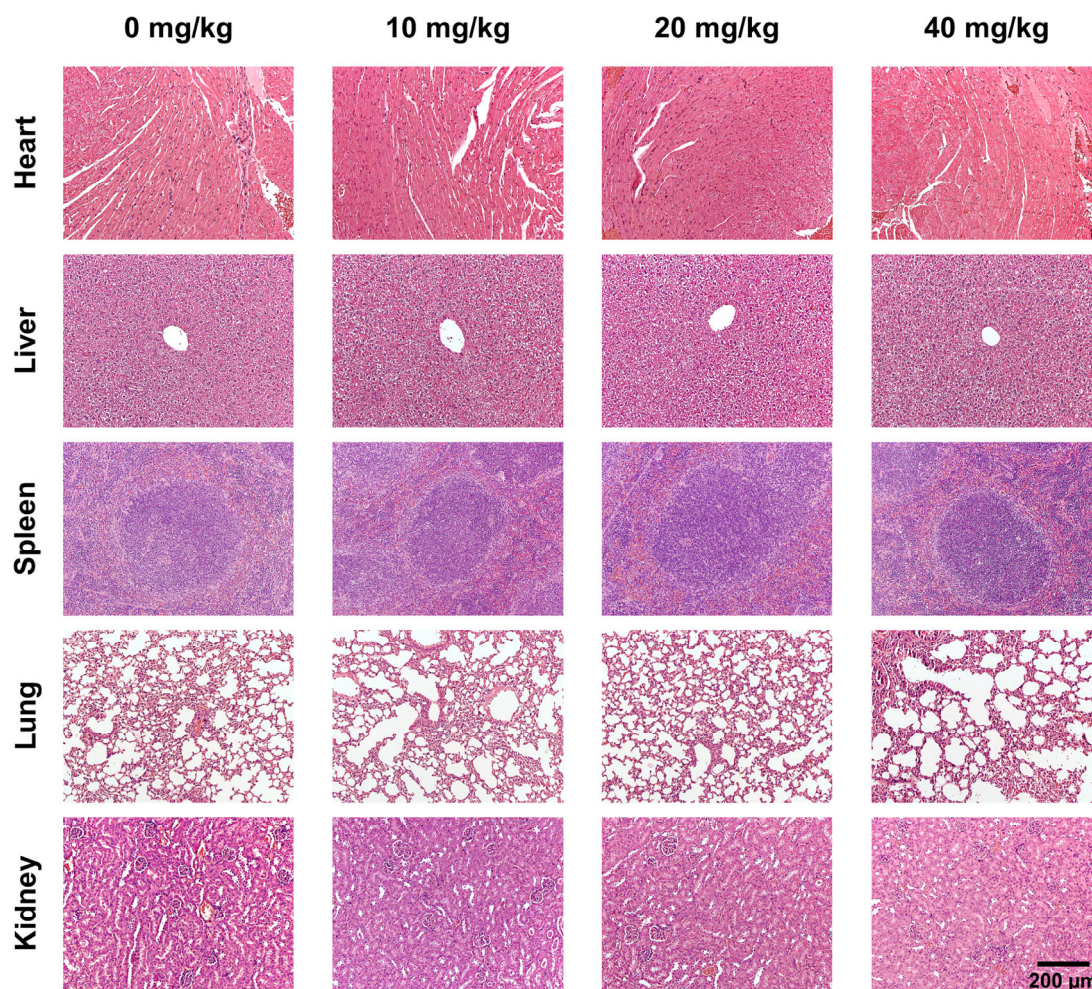
**Figure S14. Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of major organs (the heart, liver, spleen, lung and kidney) from BALB/c mice before intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA (n = 3). Scale bar, 200 μm.**





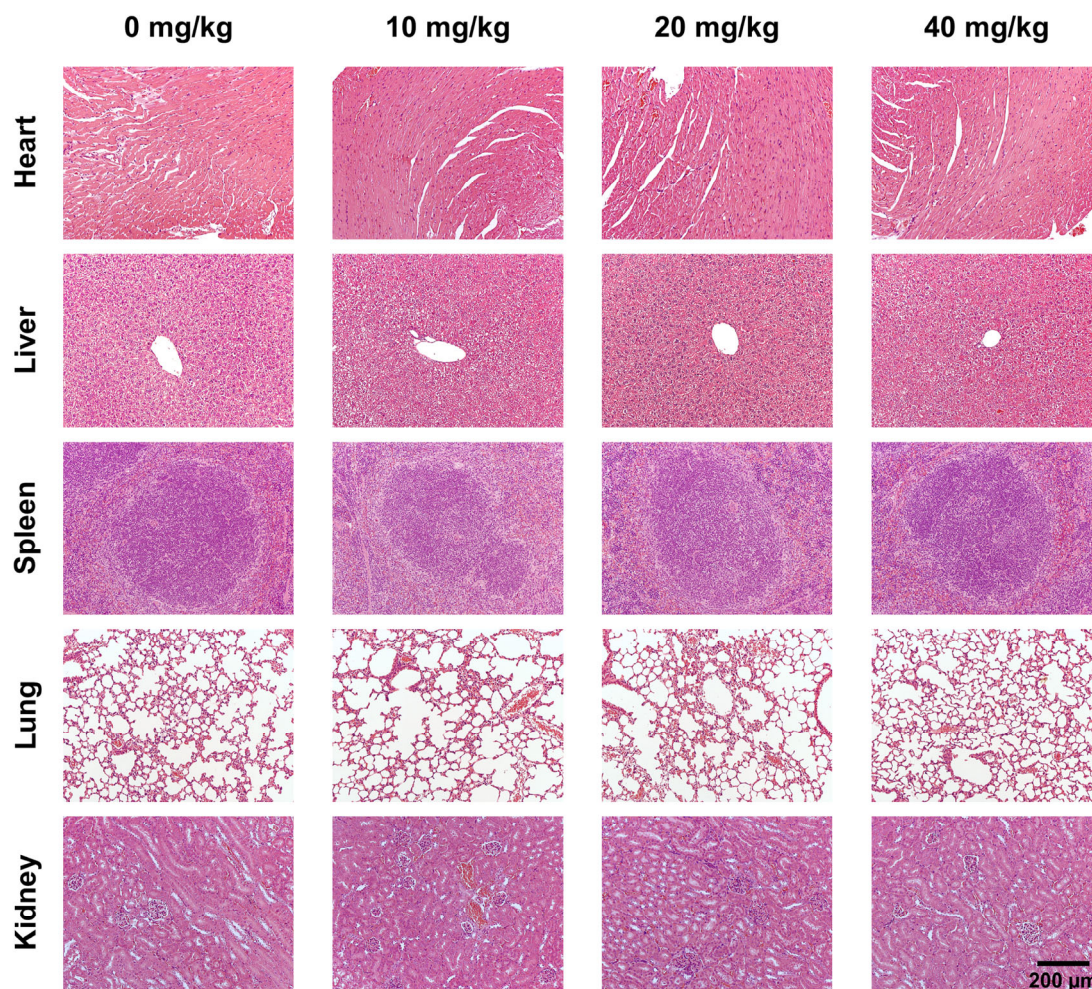
**Figure S15. Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of major organs (the heart, liver, spleen, lung and kidney) from BALB/c mice on day 1 after intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA with doses of 0 mg/kg, 10 mg/kg, 20 mg/kg and 40 m/kg (n = 3). Scale bar, 200 μm.**





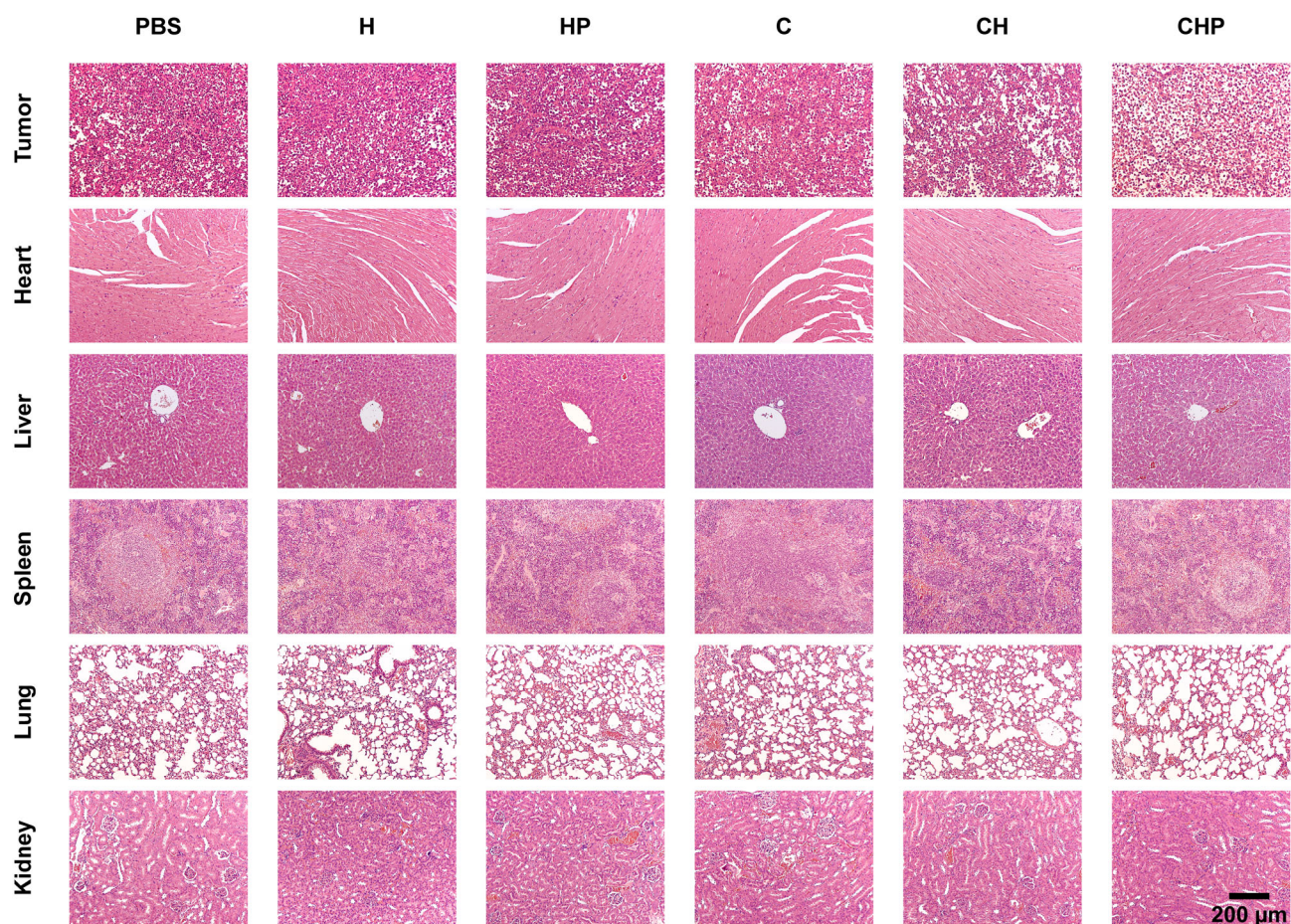
**Figure S16. Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of major organs (the heart, liver, spleen, lung and kidney) from BALB/c mice on day 7 after intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA with doses of 0 mg/kg, 10 mg/kg, 20 mg/kg and 40 m/kg (n = 3). Scale bar, 200 μm.**



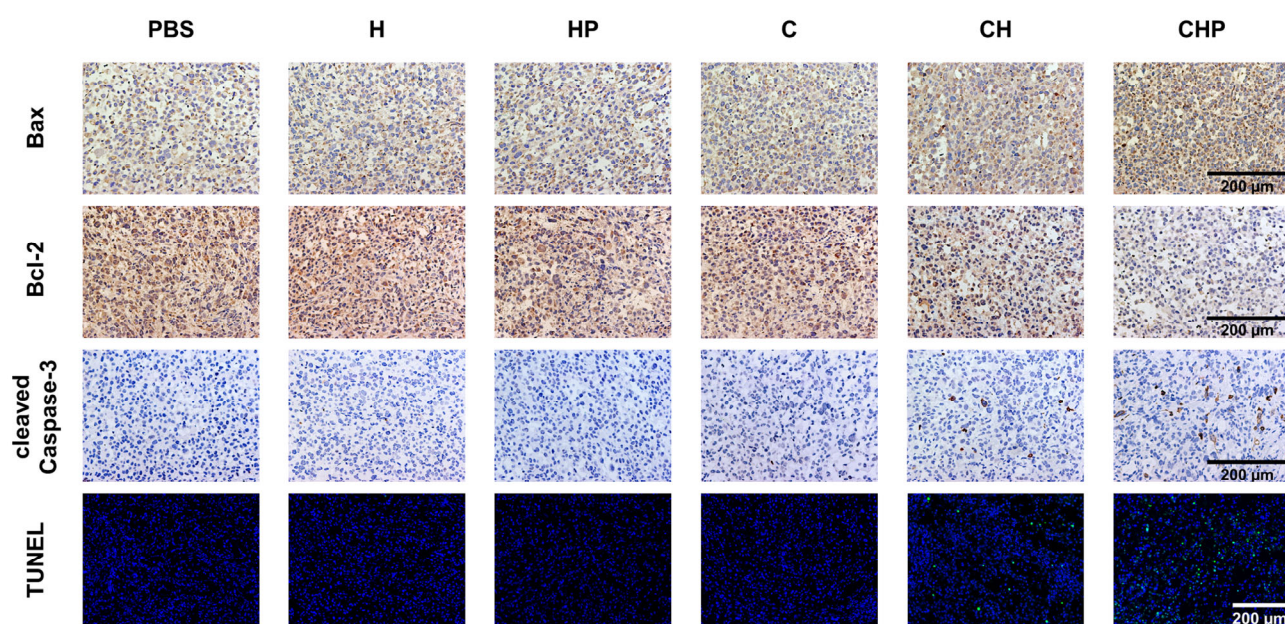


**Figure S17. Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of major organs (the heart, liver, spleen, lung and kidney) from BALB/c mice on day 30 after intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA with doses of 0 mg/kg, 10 mg/kg, 20 mg/kg and 40 m/kg (n = 3). Scale bar, 200 μm.**





**Figure S18. Histological changes of the PC-3 xenografted tumors and major organs after intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA.** Hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of the tumors and major organs (the heart, liver, spleen, lung and kidney) from subcutaneous PC-3 xenografted tumor-bearing BALB/c nude mice on day 14 after intravenous administration of phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), HMSNs (H), HMSNs-PAA (HP), CaO<sub>2</sub> (C), CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs (CH) and CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA (CHP) (n = 5). Scale bar, 200 μm.



**Figure S19. Immunohistochemical and TUNEL analysis of the PC-3 xenografted tumors after intravenous administration of CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA.** Immunohistochemically stained images of the antigens (Bax, Bcl-2 and cleaved Caspase-3) and TUNEL analysis in the tumors from subcutaneous PC-3 xenografted tumor-bearing BALB/c nude mice on day 2 after intravenous administration of phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), HMSNs (H), HMSNs-PAA (HP), CaO<sub>2</sub> (C), CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs (CH) and CaO<sub>2</sub>@HMSNs-PAA (CHP) (n = 3). Scale bars, 200 μm.