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AuNP and ssDNA Capped Mesoporous Silica Nanoparticles for Laser Controlled Drug Release

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1. Tables

The following parameters are derived from the product certificate of analysis.

Diameter	3 nm
Zeta potential	-39 mV
Concentration	2.92E+14 nps/mL
Wt. conc.	0.050 mg/mL
Molarity	467.9551 nM

 Table S1. Properties of commercial gold nanoparticle (AuNP) purchased

Table S2. Properties of MCM-41 purchased

Specific surface area (SSA)	$\geq 800 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$
Pore volume	0.9-1.25 cm ³ /g
Relative crystallinity	≥ 90%
Pore diameter	3-5 nm
Particle size	200 nm-1 μm

2. Figures



Scheme S1. Reaction formula of preparing MCM-41-NH₂.



Figure S1. Zeta potential distributions of MCM-41, MCM-41-NH₂ and MCM-41-ssDNA.



Figure S2. TEM images (a) of MCM-41-ssDNA-AuNP (loaded Dox) and (b) after

MCM-41-ssDNA-AuNP was irradiated by 808 nm NIR laser



Figure S3. Fluorescence intensity curves of Dox release induced by laser irradiation on MCM-41/Dox without AuNP as the pore-cap.

Since there was no obstacle, MCM-41 allowed free access of the drug molecules, showing a wave of dynamic equilibrium.



Figure S4. Fluorescence intensity curves of Dox release at (a) pH 7.4; (b) pH 6.8; (c)

pH 5.0.