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Dear Dr. Bing Wu,

Please find enclosed our updated manuscript. We thank you for your suggestion and comments. We have revised the manuscript according to your suggestion. Please consider our revised manuscript, **“Synthesis of Near-Infrared Emitting Gold Nanoclusters for Biological Applications”**, for publication in the *JoVE*.

The manuscript is in track change mode. We have highlighted the portion in yellow to be featured in the video. We have also included a point-by-point response to your comments. If any further changes are needed please let us know and we will be glad to make the necessary changes. Thank you again for consideration of our updated manuscript.

Sincerely,

Petr Cigler



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Response to the Editorial Comments:

1. Please take this opportunity to thoroughly proofread the manuscript to ensure that there are no spelling or grammar issues.

We have thoroughly proofread the manuscript and tried to avoid spelling or grammar issues to our best.

2. The highlighted protocol steps are over the 2.75 page limit (including headings and spacing). Please highlight fewer steps for filming.

We have reduced the extra spacing in between the lines. We have highlighted the portion in yellow to be featured in the video.

3. For in-text referencing, the superscripted reference numbers should be inserted before a comma or period.

We thank the editor for the suggestion. The superscripted reference numbers have been inserted before a comma or period.

4. Step 5.3: Please write this step in the imperative tense.

We have modified the tense of this step to imperative tense.

5. Step 7.1: Please write this step in the imperative tense.

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6. Step 7.3: Please write this step in the imperative tense.

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