## Supplemental information

## Enhancement of the peroxidase-like activity of iodine-capped gold nanoparticles for the colorimetric detection of biothiols

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## Analysis of iodide using FTIC-AuNPs

A solution of FITC-AuNPs was prepared according to a previous study. Briefly, 1  $\mu$ l of 0.5 mM FITC was added to 1000  $\mu$ L citrate-capped AuNPs. This mixture was equilibrated at 4°C for 24 h. After 24 h, 20  $\mu$ L of FITC-capped AuNPs were mixed with 20  $\mu$ L of different concentrations of  $\Gamma$ . The final volume of the resulting mixture was increased to 100  $\mu$ L through the addition of ultrapure water for 30 min. The fluorescence intensity was monitored at 525 nm (excitation at 495 nm) using a SpectraMax M2 microplate fluorescence reader (Molecular Devices, Sunnyvale, CA, USA).

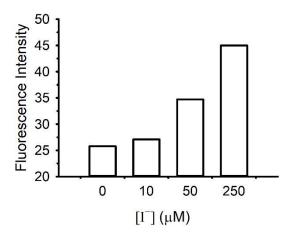


Figure S1. Difference in the fluorescence intensity of FITC-AuNPs before and after the addition of I<sup>-</sup>.

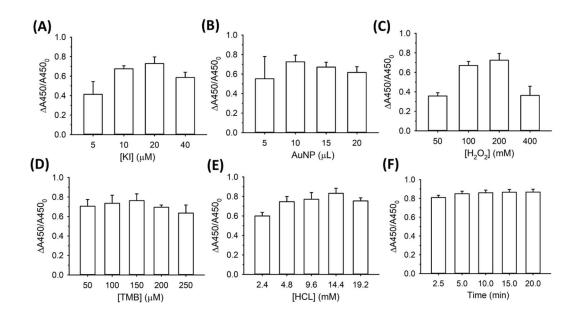


Figure S2. (A) Effect of the volume of AuNPs on the detection of 50  $\mu$ M cysteine. Effect of the concentration of (B) TMB, (C) I<sup>-</sup>, (D) HCl, and (E) H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> on the normalized absorbance ratio( $\Delta A450$ / A450<sub>0</sub>). (E) Effect of reaction time;  $\Delta A450 = A450_0 - A450_x$ . A450<sub>0</sub> and A450<sub>x</sub> correspond to the absorption intensity of the reaction solution in the absence and presence of cysteine, respectively.