

Supporting Information

Silver nanowires-based fluorescence thermometer for single cell

Congcong Bu,^{a,b} Lixuan Mu,^{*a} Xingxing Cao,^{a,b} Min Chen,^{a,b} Guangwei She^a and

Wensheng Shi^{*a,b}

^aKey Laboratory of Photochemical Conversion and Optoelectronic Materials,

Technical Institute of Physics and Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences,

Beijing 100190, China.

E-mail: mulixuan@mail.ipc.ac.cn; shiws@mail.ipc.ac.cn;

Fax: +86-10-82543513; Tel: +86-10-82543513

^bUniversity of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing 100049, China

Table S1 Efficiency of energy transfer (η) between TR and AgNWs inTR-DNA-AgNWs according to $\eta = 1 - \tau/\tau_0$

DNA sequences	η in open cycle state of DNA	η in closed cycle state of DNA
15T loop	56%	86%
30T loop	52%	78%
45T loop	39%	67%

Table S2 Comparison of different thermometers

Thermometer	Resolution (°C)	Sensitivity(/°C)	range(°C)	reference
Polymer plus CdSe-CdS	0.2	2.40%	20-40	S1
Gold nanocluster	0.1–0.3	0.50%	15-45	S2
Rare earth doped molecular structure	NA	4.90%	10–350 K	S3
CdSe/ZnS QD	NA	0.70%	10-80	S4
Polymeric NP	1	2%	26-40	S5
DNA molecular beacon	0.7	NA	20-50	S6
Nano-sized MOF	0.48	4.97%	10-60	S7
High molecular polymer	less than 1	NA	28-42	S8
Upconversion nanoparticle	0.1	1.54%	300-673	S9
High molecular polymer	NA	2.78%	20-70	S10
Carbon-Dot	NA	1.80%	25-45	S11
DNA nanomachine	0.1-0.5	5.20%	30-50	S12
TR-DNA-AgNWs	0.5	2.60%	20-50	This work

References:

- (S1) Albers, A. E.; Chan, E. M.; McBride, P. M.; Ajo-Franklin, C. M.; Cohen. B. E.; Helms, B. A. Dual-emitting quantum dot/quantum rod-based nanothermometers with enhanced response and sensitivity in live cells. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2012**, *134*, 9565–9568.
- (S2) Shang, L.; Stockmar, F.; Azadfar, N.; Nienhaus, G. U. Intracellular thermometry by using fluorescent gold nanoclusters. *Angew. Chemie Inter. Ed.* **2013**, *52*, 11154–11157.
- (S3) Brites, C. D.; Lima, P. P.; Silva N. J. A luminescent molecular thermometer for long-term absolute temperature measurements at the nanoscale. *Adv. Mater.* **2010**, *22*, 4499–4504.
- (S4) Han, B.; Hanson, W. L.; Bensala, H. K.; Tuncel, A.; Stern, J. M.; Cadeddu, J. A. Development of quantum dot-mediated fluorescence thermometry for thermal therapies. *Ann. Biomed. Eng.* **2009**, *37*, 1230–1239.
- (S5) Takei, Y.; Arai, S.; Murata, A. et al. A nanoparticle-based ratiometric and self-calibrated fluorescent thermometer for single living cells. *ACS Nano* **2013**, *8*, 198–206.
- (S6) Ke, G.; Wang, C.; Ge, Y.; Zheng, N.; Zhu, Z.; Yang, C. J. L-DNA molecular beacon: a safe, stable, and accurate intracellular nano-thermometer for temperature sensing in living cells. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2012**, *134*, 18908–18911.
- (S7) Zhou, Y.; Yan, B.; Lei, F. Postsynthetic lanthanide functionalization of nanosized metal–organic frameworks for highly sensitive ratiometric luminescent thermometry. *Chem. Commun.* **2014**, *50*, 15235–15238.
- (S8) Qiao, J.; Chen, C. F.; Qi, L. et al. Intracellular temperature sensing by a ratiometric fluorescent polymer thermometer. *J. Mater. Chem. C*, **2014**, *2*, 7544–7550.
- (S9) Savchuk, O. A.; Carvajal, J. J.; Cascales, C. Thermochromic upconversion nanoparticles for visual temperature sensors with high thermal, spatial and temporal resolution. *J. Mater. Chem. C* **2016**, *4*, 6602–6613.
- (S10) Ghinwa, H. D.; Ali, K.; Tharallah, S. et al. Turning the heat on conjugated polyelectrolytes: an off–on ratiometric nanothermometer. *Chem. Commun.*, **2016**, *52*,

823-826.

(S11) Wang, C. X.; Lin, H. H.; Xu, Z. Z.; Huang, Y. J.; Humphrey, M. G.; Zhang, C. Tunable Carbon-Dot-Based Dual-Emission Fluorescent Nanohybrids for Ratiometric Optical Thermometry in Living Cells. *ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces*. **2016**, *8*, 6621-6628.

(S12) Xie, N. L.; Huang, J.; Yang, X. H. et al. Scallop-Inspired DNA Nanomachine: A Ratiometric Nanothermometer for Intracellular Temperature Sensing. *Anal. Chem.* **2017**, *89*, 12115–12122.