## Supplementary information

In vivo imaging of hydrogen peroxide with chemiluminescent nanoparticles



Figure 1S. Chemical structure of fluorescent dyes used in peroxalate nanoparticles



Table 1S. Properties of peroxalate polymers

## **Comment on Table 1S.**

Peroxalate polymers 2, 3, 4 and 5 were synthesized according to the procedure developed for the synthesis of polymer 1, their chemical structures are shown in Table 1S. Polymers 2, 3, 4, 5 were formulated with rubrene and the their chemiluminescence intensity was evaluated in the presence of hydrogen peroxide. Nanoparticles formulated from polymers 2, 3, and 4 had a low chemiluminescence intensity in the presence of hydrogen peroxide. Therefore, polymer 1 was chosen for the imaging experiments.



**Figure 2S. Characterization of polymer 1. (a)** <sup>1</sup>**H-NMR-spectrum, (b) GPC chromatogram, (c) FT-IR spectrum.** The H-NMR spectrum of polymer **1** was measured on a 500MHz spectrometer (Bruker) using deuterated chloroform as the solvent. GPC was measured with a Shimadzu SCL-10A using polystyrene standards. The prominent bands at 1200 and 1750 cm<sup>-1</sup>, on the FT-IR spectrum, correspond to the C-O and C=O stretches of the peroxalate ester, respectively. The C-H stretch appears at 2900 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure 3S. Dynamic light scattering of rubrene-encapsulated peroxalate nanoparticles.** DLS samples were measured at a concentration of 0.25mg/mL in pH 7.4 PBS buffer with a Brookhaven 90Plus particle sizer.







Figure 5S. Kinetics of chemiluminescence from peroxalate nanoparticles containing rubrene in the presence of 10  $\mu$ M of hydrogen peroxide.