## Supporting Information

# Nuclear Targeted Silver Nanospheres Perturb the Cancer Cell Cycle Differently from those of Nanogold 

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|  | Cancer (HSC-3) | Healthy (HaCat) |
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| Control |  |  |
| 0.1 nM NLS/RGD |  |  |
| 0.4 nM NLS/RGD |  |  |
| 0.1 nM RGD |  |  |
| 0.4 nM RGD |  |  |
| 20 nM AgNO 3 |  |  |

Figure S1. DNA histograms of cancer and healthy cells treated with conjugated AgNPs. Nuclear targeting (NLS/RGD) AgNPs caused the increase in the sub G1 population of cancer cells (red box) and G2 accumulation in both cancer and healthy cells.


Figure S2. Cell cycle analysis of cancer (A) and healthy (B) cells treated with 0.1 nM PEGAgNPs and 0.4 nM PEG-AgNPs. There was no significant alteration in the cell cycle in both cell models when compared to their controls.


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S3.

Confocal images of healthy (HaCat) cells after treatment with NLS/RGD-AgNPs. DNA double strand breaks, detected by the green fluorescence foci, were not seen in either untreated (A) or 0.4 nM NLS/RGD-AgNPs treated (B) healthy cells. Cells were incubated with nuclear targeting AgNPs for 24 hours. Scale bar: $10 \mu \mathrm{~m}$.

