Supporting Information

Core/shell Cu@Ag nanoparticle: A versatile platform for colorimetric visualization of inorganic anions

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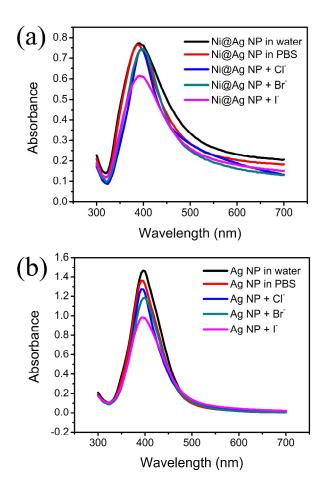


Figure S1. The optical spectra for (a) the Ni@Ag NP and (b) Ag NP solutions after interaction with anions. The concentrations of Cl⁻, Br⁻, and l⁻ are 1 mM, 10 μ M, and 10 μ M, respectively.

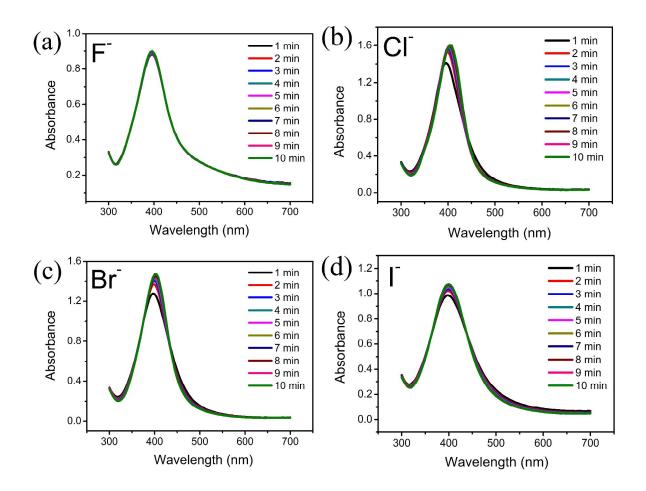


Figure S2. Time-dependent optical spectra for the Cu@Ag NP solution in the presence of (a) F^{-} (1 mM), (b) Cl⁻ (1 mM), (c) Br⁻ (10 μ M), and (d) l⁻ (10 μ M), pH 5.2.

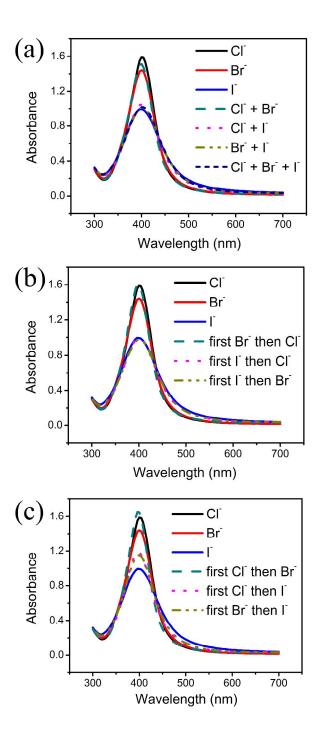


Figure S3. The optical spectra for the Cu@Ag NP solution in the presence of individual halides and mixtures of halides, pH 5.2.

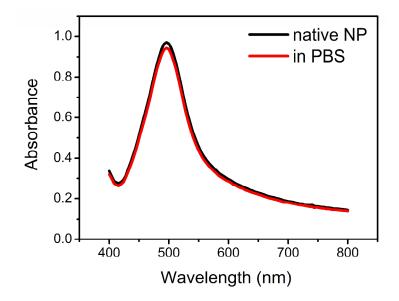


Figure S4. The optical spectra for the native Cu@Ag NP solution and the PBS buffered NP solution.

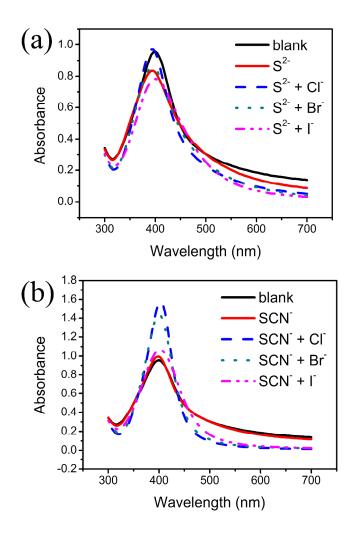


Figure S5. The optical spectra for the Cu@Ag NP solution in the presence of (a) sulfide and mixtures of sulfide with halides; (b) thiocyanate and mixture of thiocyanate with halides, pH 5.2.

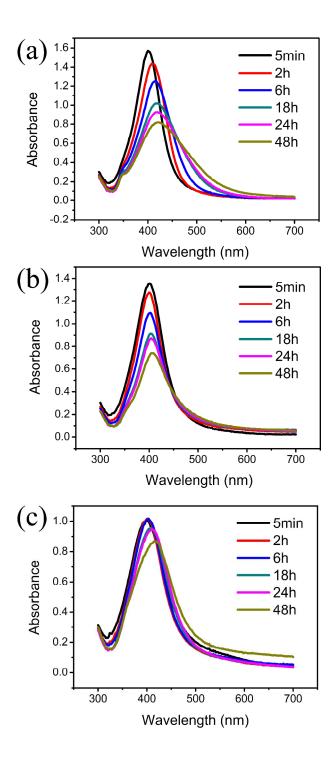


Figure S6. Time-dependent optical spectra of the Cu@Ag NP in the presence of (a) Cl⁻ (1 mM), (b) Br⁻ (10 μ M), and (c) l⁻ (10 μ M), pH 5.2.

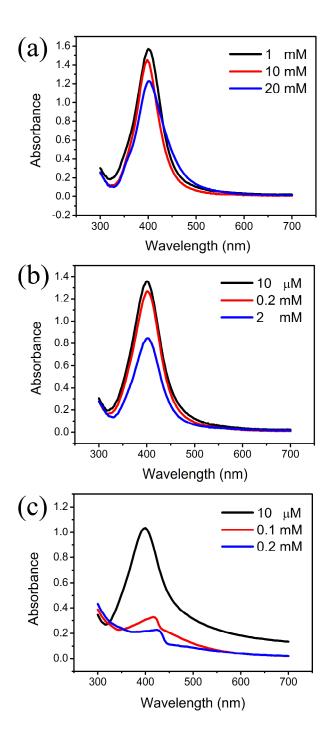


Figure S7. Concentration-dependent optical spectra of the Cu@Ag NP solution for (a) Cl⁻, (b) Br⁻, and (c) l⁻ anions, pH 5.2.

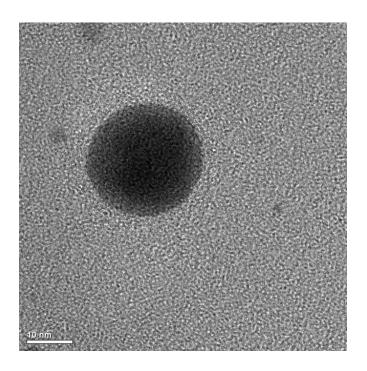


Figure S8. The enlarged TEM image of the Cu@Ag NP after interaction with iodide (10 μ M)

for 2 h.

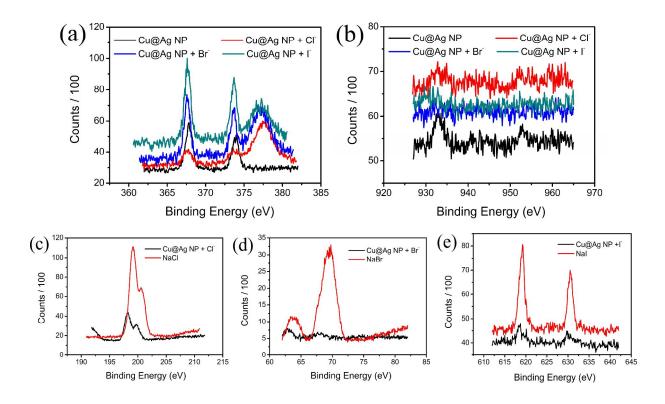


Figure S9. XPS spectra relative to (a) Ag and (b) Cu for the native Cu@Ag NP and the reorganized NP after interaction with halides. XPS spectra relative to (c) Cl⁻, (d) Br⁻, and (e) I⁻ for the reorganized NP after interaction with halides and the sodium halide salts.

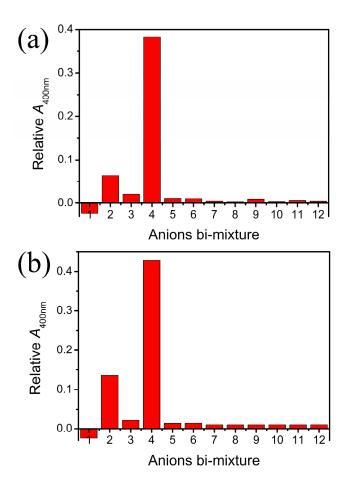


Figure S10. The manifestation of selectivity for the detection of (a) iodide (5 μ M) and (b) sulfide (5 μ M) in the presence of chloride (1 mM) and other anions. The other anion for 1-12 in (a) represents Cl⁻ (0.1 mM), Br⁻ (10 μ M), SCN⁻ (10 μ M), S²⁻ (10 μ M), SO₃²⁻, C₂O₄²⁻, NO₃⁻, NO₂⁻, SO₄²⁻, CO₃²⁻, CO₃²⁻, AcO⁻, and HCOO⁻ (all 0.1 mM), respectively. The other anion for 1-12 in (b) represents Cl⁻ (0.1 mM), Br⁻ (10 μ M), SCN⁻ (10 μ M), I⁻ (10 μ M), SO₃²⁻, C₂O₄²⁻, NO₃⁻, NO₂⁻, SO₄²⁻, CO₃²⁻, AcO⁻, and HCOO⁻ (all 0.1 mM), respectively. The other anion for 1-12 in (b) represents Cl⁻ (0.1 mM), Br⁻ (10 μ M), SCN⁻ (10 μ M), I⁻ (10 μ M), SO₃²⁻, C₂O₄²⁻, NO₃⁻, NO₂⁻, SO₄²⁻, CO₃²⁻, AcO⁻, and HCOO⁻ (all 0.1 mM), respectively.