

Supporting Information

Smart-Responsive Carrier-Free Nanoassembly of SN38 Prodrug as Efficient Chemotherapeutic Nanomedicine

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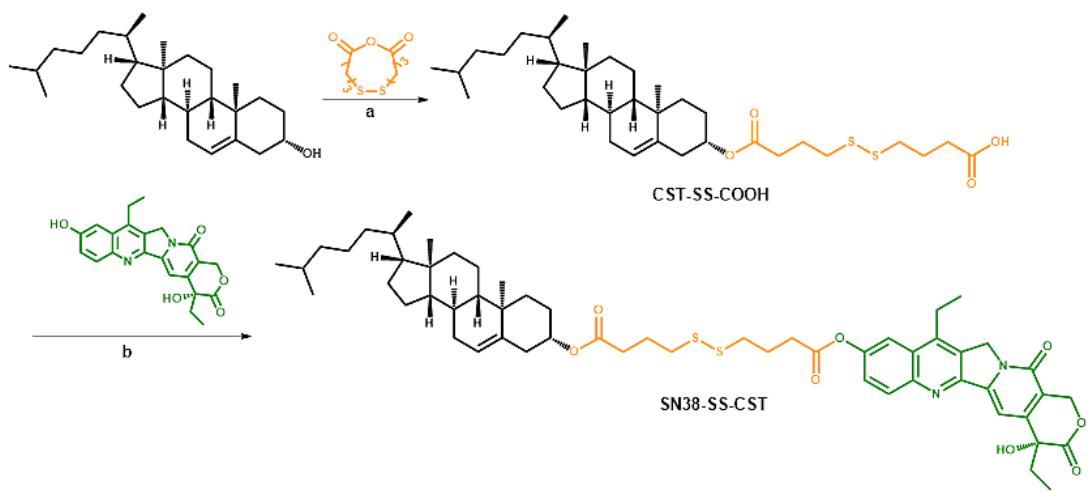


Figure S1. Synthetic scheme of SN38-SS-CST. a) DMAP, 25 °C, 12 h. b) EDCI, HOBT, DMAP, 25 °C, 24 h.

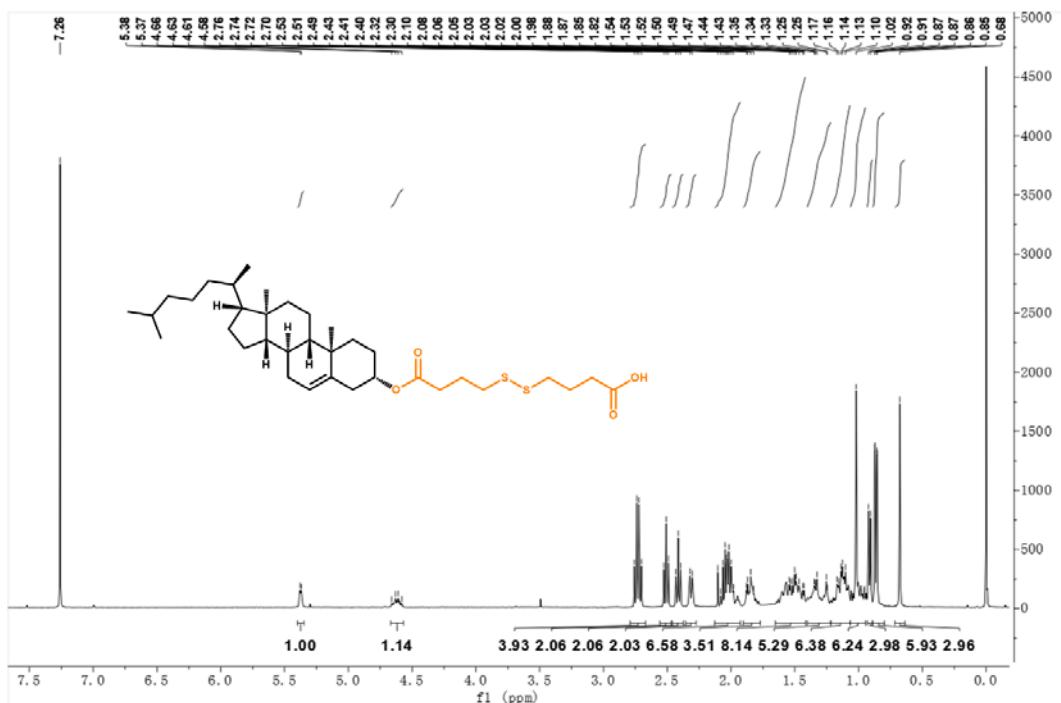


Figure S2. ^1H NMR of CST-SS-COOH. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 5.37 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.67 – 4.57 (m, 1H), 2.73 (q, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 4H), 2.51 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 2.41 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.31 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.13 – 1.93 (m, 7H), 1.90 – 1.77 (m, 4H), 1.65 – 1.42 (m, 8H), 1.40 – 1.22 (m, 5H), 1.14 (dt, $J = 13.8, 7.5$ Hz, 6H), 1.02 (s, 6H), 0.91 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 0.86 (dd, $J = 6.6, 1.8$ Hz, 6H), 0.68 (s, 3H).

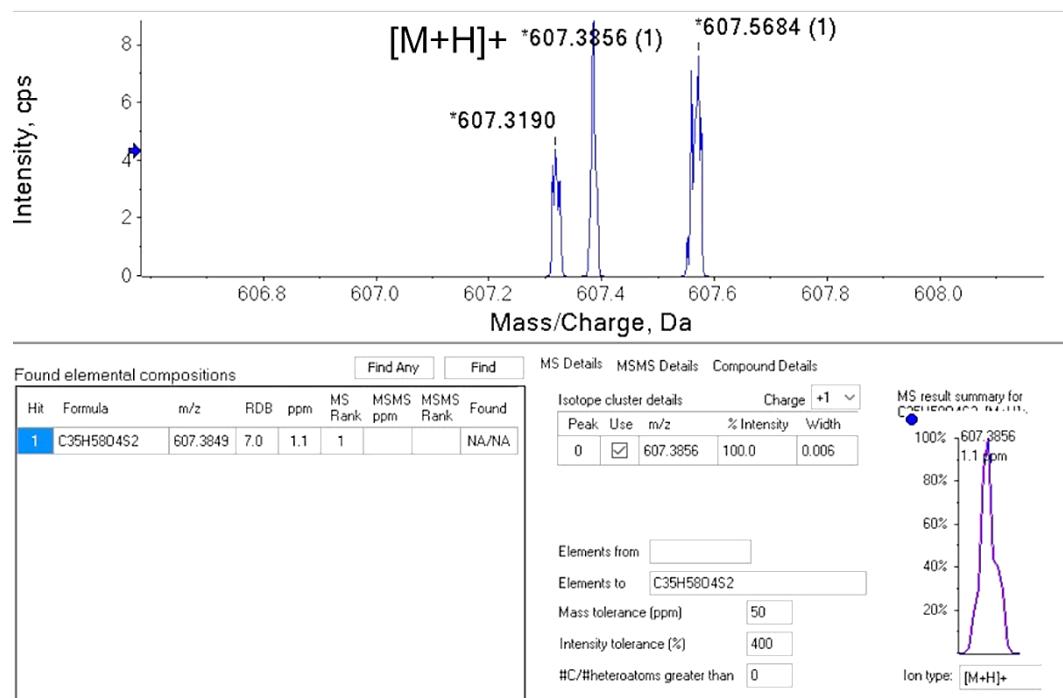


Figure S3. MS of CST-SS-COOH. Calcd for $C_{35}H_{58}O_4S_2$, 607.3849; found, 607.3856 $[M+H]^+$.

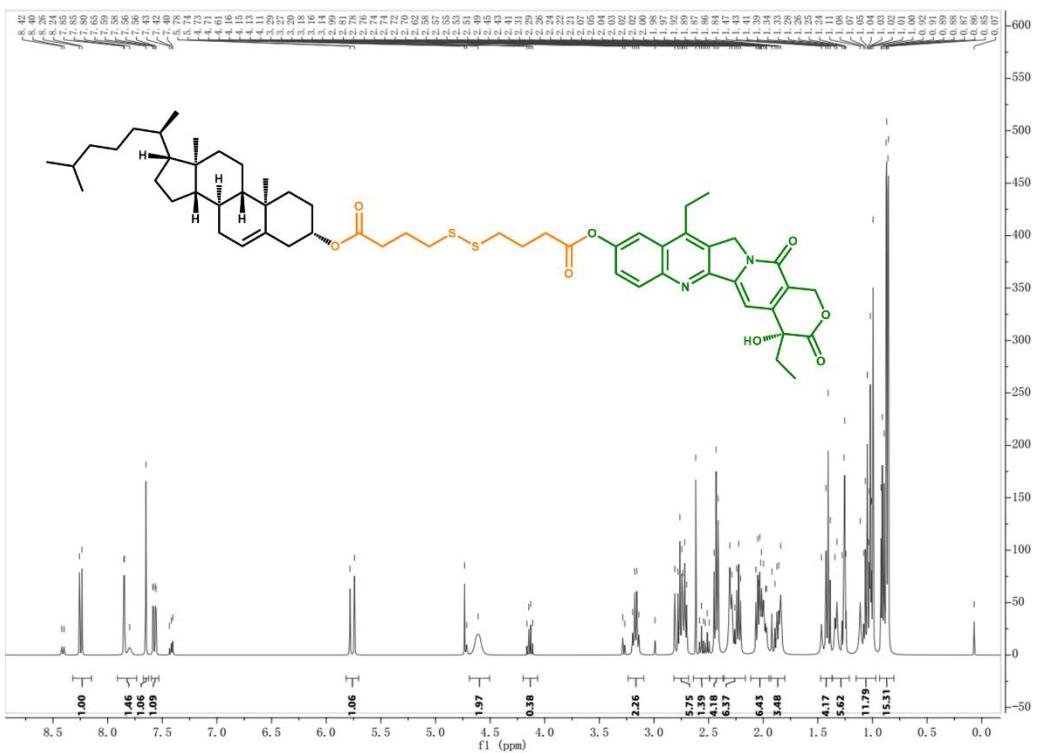


Figure S4. ¹H NMR of SN38-SS-CST. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.25 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.85 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.65 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.57 (dd, $J = 9.1, 2.5$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.76 (d, $J = 16.3$ Hz, 1H, -CH), 4.59 (s, 3H), 4.17-4.11 (m, 1H, -CH), 3.17 (q, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.85 - 2.74 (m, 6H, -CH₂), 2.64 - 2.48 (m, 3H), 2.42 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 4H), 2.27 (d, $J = 32.4$ Hz, 6H), 2.05 (s, 6H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 4H), 1.25 (s, 6H), 1.03 (dd, $J = 19.5, 8.7$ Hz, 12H), 0.95 - 0.83 (m, 15H, -CH₃).

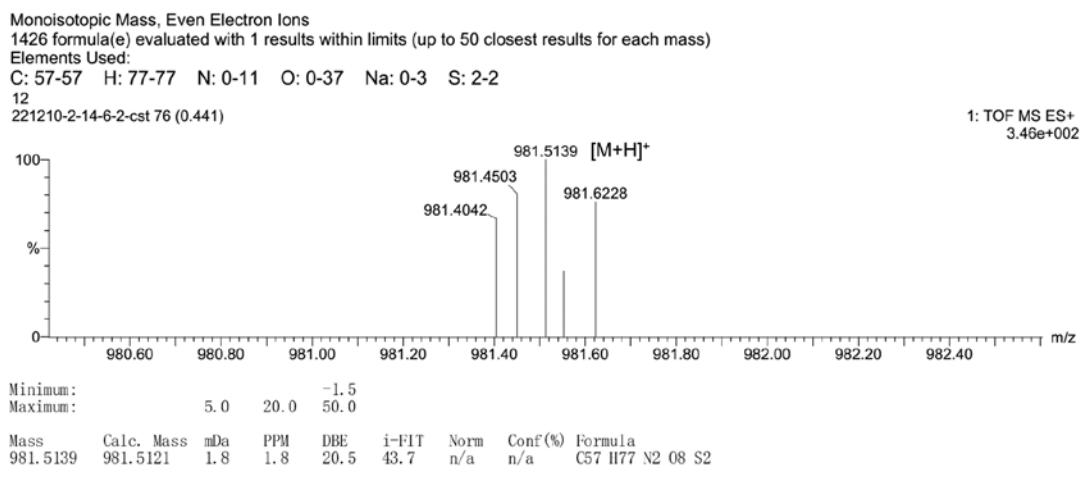


Figure S5. MS of SN38-SS-CST. Calcd for $C_{57}H_{76}N_2O_8S_2$, 980.5043; found, 981.5121 $[M+H]^+$.

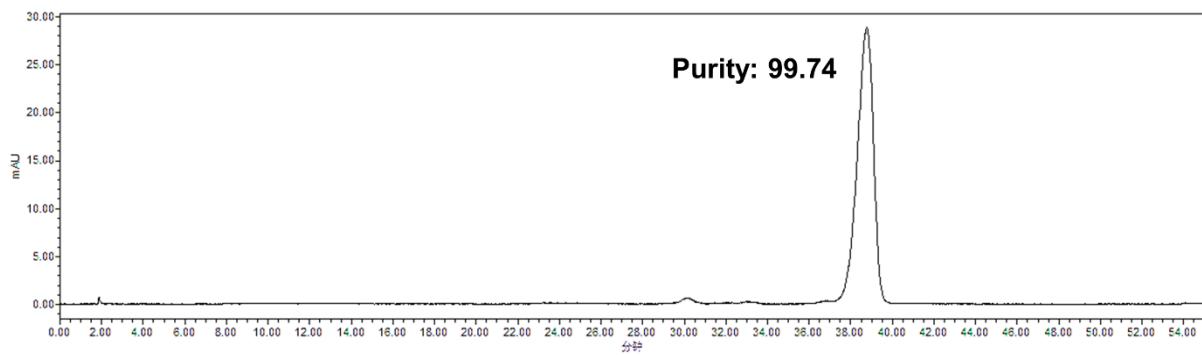


Figure S6. HPLC spectra of SN38-SS-CST. Purity: 99.74%.

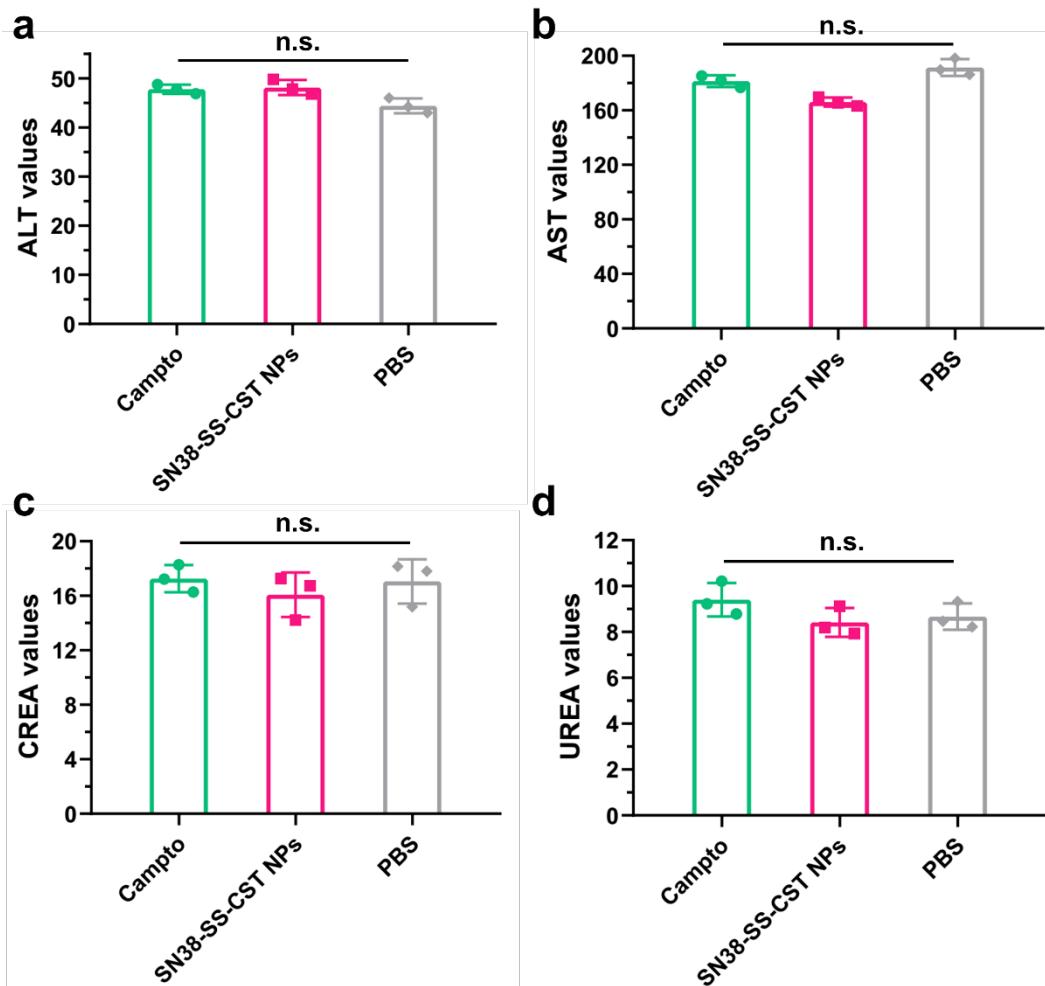


Figure S7. Hepatorenal functions of CT26 bearing mice after the treatment. a) ALT values. b) AST values. c) CREA values and d) UREA values. Data are presented as means \pm SD ($n = 3$).

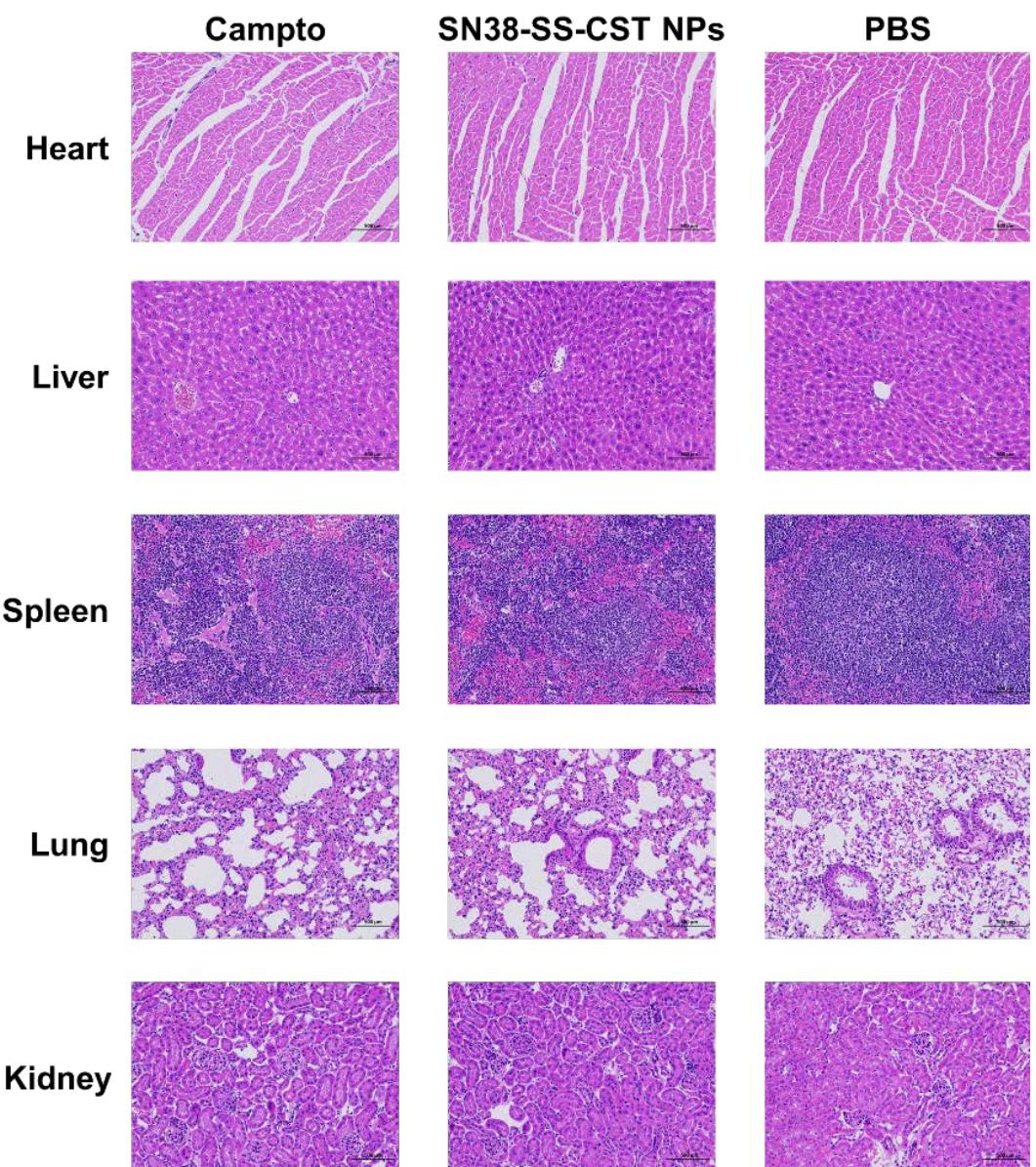


Figure S8. H&E staining of major organs of 4T1 bearing mice. Scale bar = 500 μm .

Table S1. Characterization of SN38-SS-CST NPs

Formulation	Size (nm)	PDI	Zeta potential (mV)	Drug loading (%)
SN38-SS-CST NPs	104.5±1.504	0.078±0.096	-22.3±0.068	31.94

Data are presented as mean ± SD.

Table S2. Molecular dynamics simulation diameters

Formulation	Grid Score ^{a)}	Grid vdw energy ^{b)}	Grid es energy ^{c)}	Internal energy repulsive ^{d)}
SN38-SS-CST NPs	-56.491173	-56.519341	0.028166	36.259464

a) The diameter indicates binding affinity (kcal mol^{-1}). b) The diameter indicates Van der Waals forces (kcal mol^{-1}). c) The diameter indicates electrostatic forces (kcal mol^{-1}). d) The diameter indicates repulsive affinity (kcal mol^{-1}).

Table S3. IC₅₀ values of the formulations.

Formulations	IC ₅₀ on CT26 cell (nM)	IC ₅₀ on 4T1 cell (nM)
Campto	2063	2638
SN38-SS-CST NPs	291.2	335.7