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Targeting protein and peptide therapeutics to the heart via tannic acid modification

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Supplementary figures

Supplementary Figure 1.

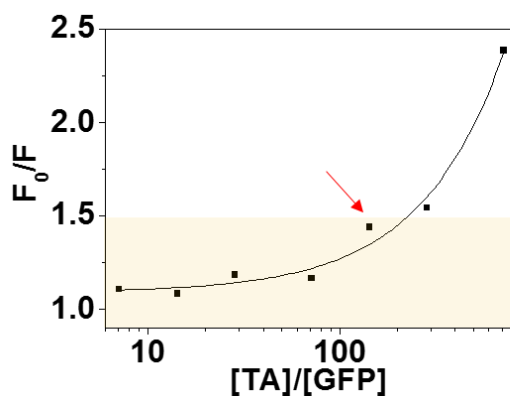


Figure S1. GFP quenching associated with TA. The red arrow shows the GFP quenching at the stoichiometric ratio of $[TA] / [GFP]$, 143.

Supplementary Figure 2.

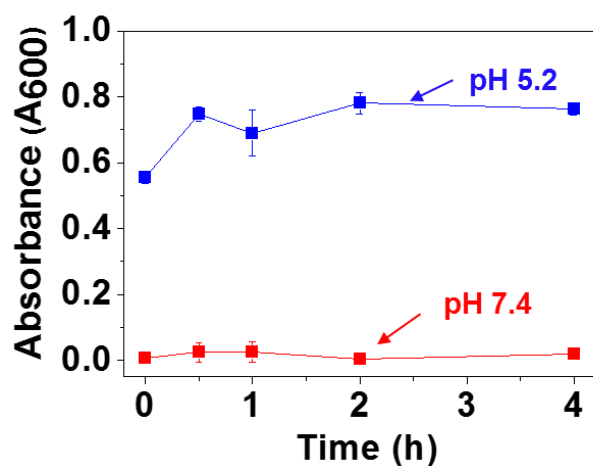


Figure S2. The stability of TANNylated GFP ($[TA] / [GFP] = 72$) at pH 7.4 (red) or 5.2 (blue). Data are mean $\pm$ s. d. ($n = 3$).

Supplementary Figure 3.

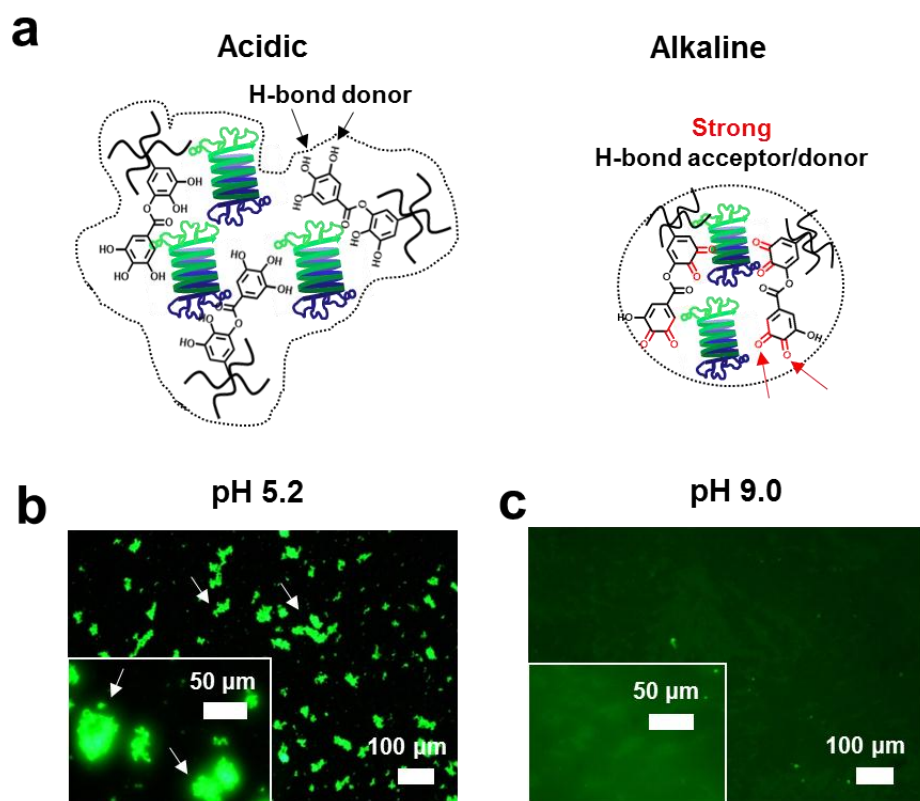


Figure S3. The pH-dependent size changes in TANNylated GFP (the ratio of 714): **a**, Schematic illustration for the hydrogen bond formations between proteins and TA either acidic or alkaline pH value. The reds are galloylquinone, an effective H-bond acceptor, formed by pH increases. **b**, **c**, Fluorescent microscopic images of TANNylated GFP at pH 5.2 (**b**) or pH 9.0 (**c**). The white arrows in ‘**b**’ panel means the formation of large aggregates.

Supplementary Figure 4.

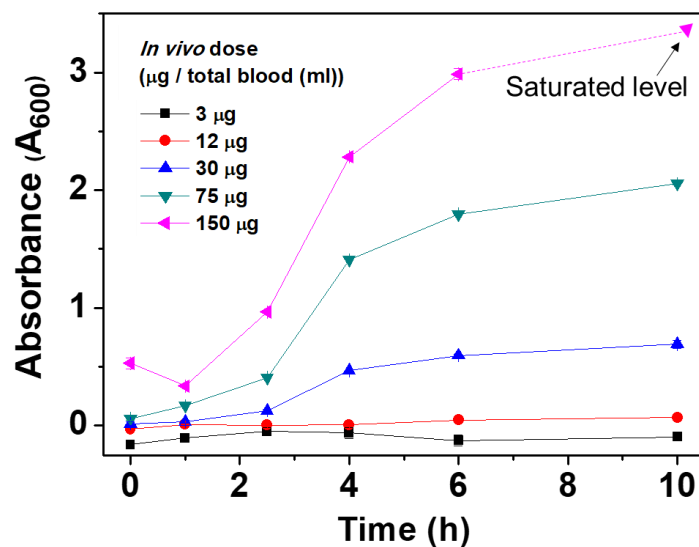


Figure S4. The colloidal stability and dose responsive turbidity assay of the TANNylated GFP in rat blood plasma. Plasma/TANNylated GFP complex mixture with a concentration of 3 μ g (black), 12 μ g (red), 30 μ g (blue), 75 μ g (cyan), and 150 μ g (pink) per ml of blood plasma. Data are mean $\pm$ s. d. (n = 3).

Supplementary Figure 5.

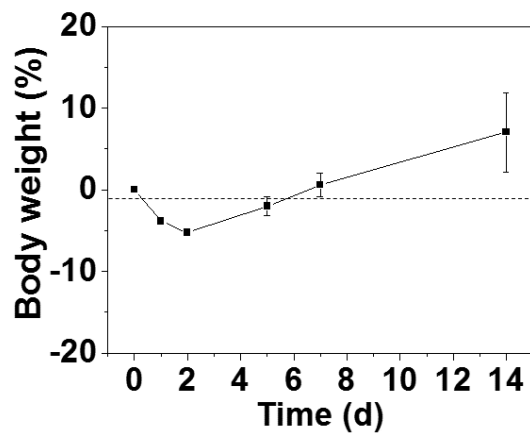


Figure S5. The changes in body weight (%) for evaluating the toxicity of TANNylated GFP. Data are mean $\pm$ s. d. (n = 3).

Supplementary Figure 6.

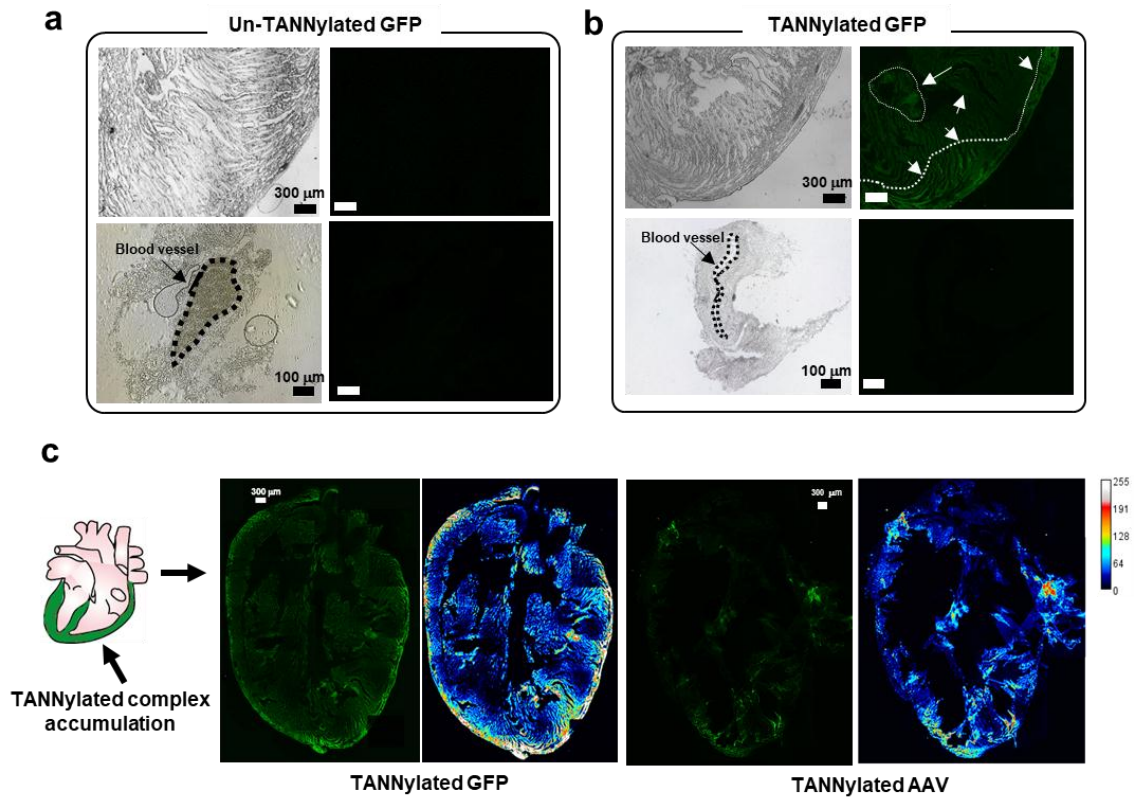


Figure S6. Immunohistochemical heart section analysis showing the distribution of the heart targeted TANNylated GFPs. **a**, The heart (top) and abdominal vena cava (bottom) after an injection of un-TANNylated GFP. The cross-sectional images using optical (left) and fluorescent microscopy (right). **b**, The heart (top) and abdominal vena cava (bottom) after injection of the TANNylated one. The cross-sectional images using optical (left) and fluorescent microscopy (right). The arrows shown in ‘b’ indicate the delivered GFP via TANNylation. **c**, A schematic diagram for the accumulated location to the heart after injection of TANNylated complex (left). The cross-sectional whole images of the heart after injection of TANNylated GFP (1st and 2nd images) or TANNylated GFP-encoding AAV (3rd and 4th images). The 2nd and 4th images are for quantitative comparisons of the produced Image J software.

Supplementary Figure 7.

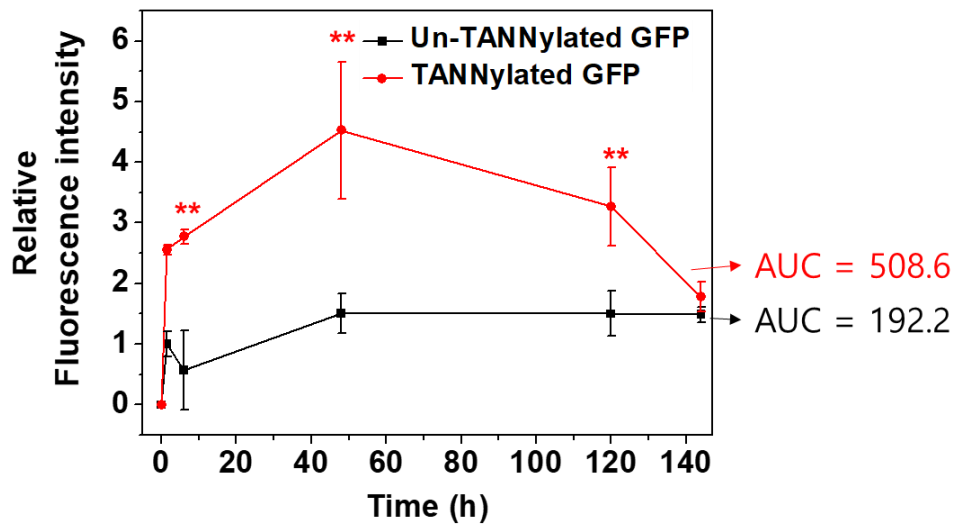


Figure S7. Relative quantitative analysis for the fluorescence intensity of the TANNylated GFP (red) and un-TANNylated GFP (black) accumulated heart as a function of time. The fluorescence intensity was normalized to the value for 1.5 h of un-TANNylated GFP ($6.78 \times 10^7 \pm 1.41 \times 10^7$). The AUC stands for area under the curves. Data are mean $\pm$ s. d. (n = 3). **P < 0.01, Tukey test, one-way ANOVA.

Supplementary Figure 8.

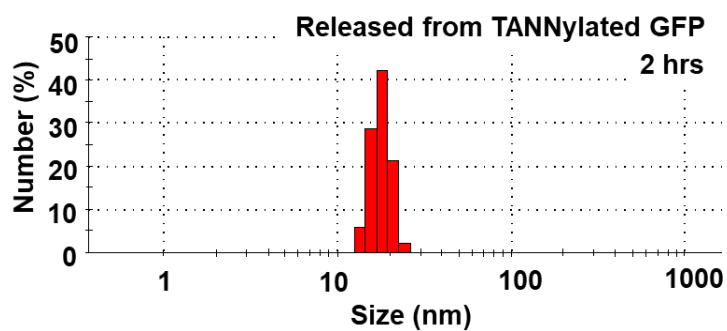


Figure S8. The size distribution of the small complexes released from TANNylated GFP at a ratio of 143 ([TA] / [GFP]) after 2 h incubation.

Supplementary Figure 9.

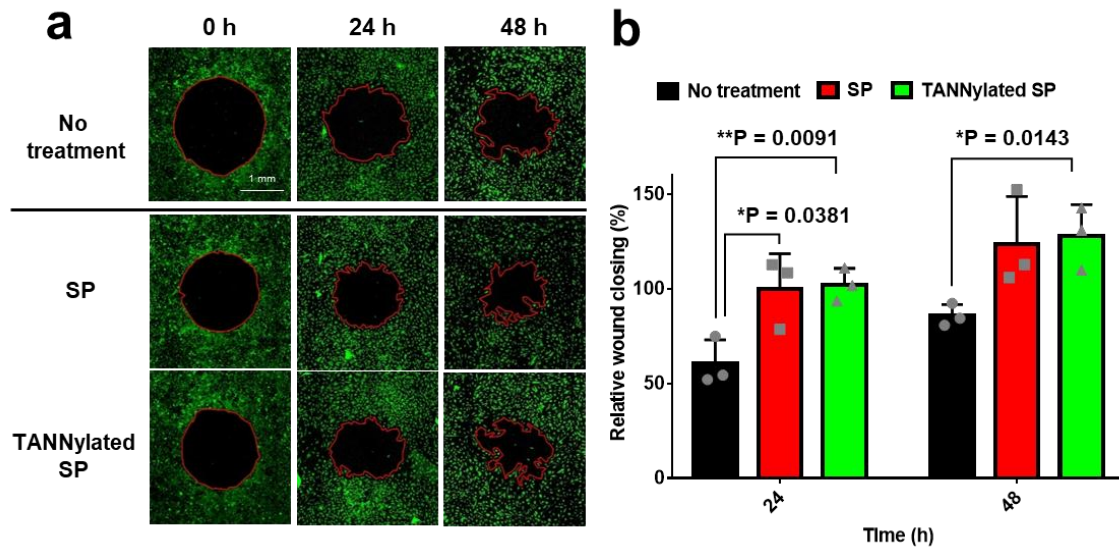


Figure S9. TANNylated SP activity test using *in vitro* wound closing assay using human mesenchymal stem cells. **a**, Fluorescent images for the migration of the stem cells as a function of time without treatment (1st row), with SP alone (2nd row) or TANNylated SP (3rd row). **b**, Quantitative analysis for the wound closing (relative %) (black bars for no treatment, red bars for SP, and green bars for TANNylated SP). (Data are mean $\pm$ s. d. (n = 3). unpaired t-test, *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01).

Supplementary Figure 10.

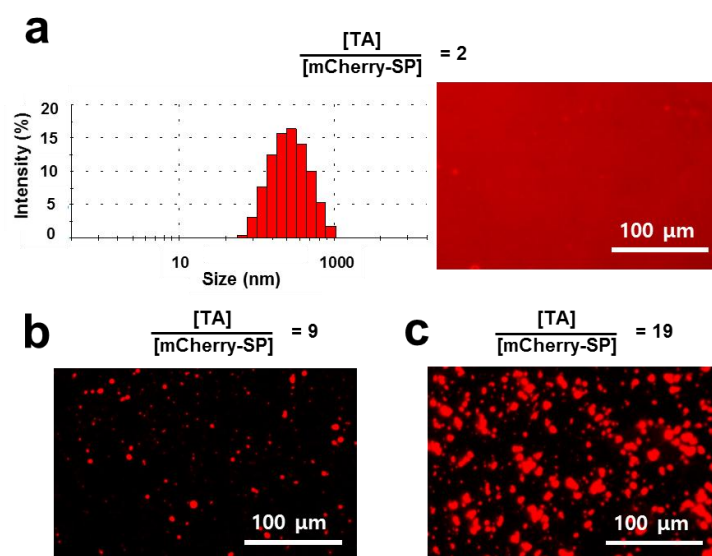


Figure S10. Determination for the stoichiometric ratio of TANNylated mCherry-SP conjugates: **a**, DLS (left) and the fluorescence image (right) of TANNylated mCherry-SP. **b**, **c**, Fluorescence images of the TANNylated mCherry-SP at the ratios of 9 (**b**) and the one of 19 (**c**).

Supplementary Figure 11.

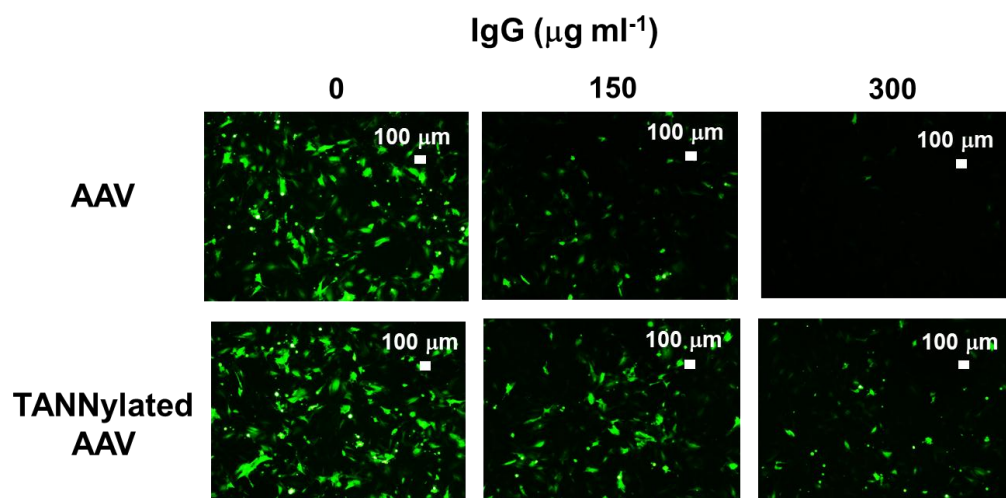


Figure S11. *In vitro* evaluation of antibody evading effect of TANNylated AAV2 as a function of human immunoglobulin G (IgG) concentration, 0, 150, and 300 $\mu\text{g ml}^{-1}$.

Supplementary Figure 12.

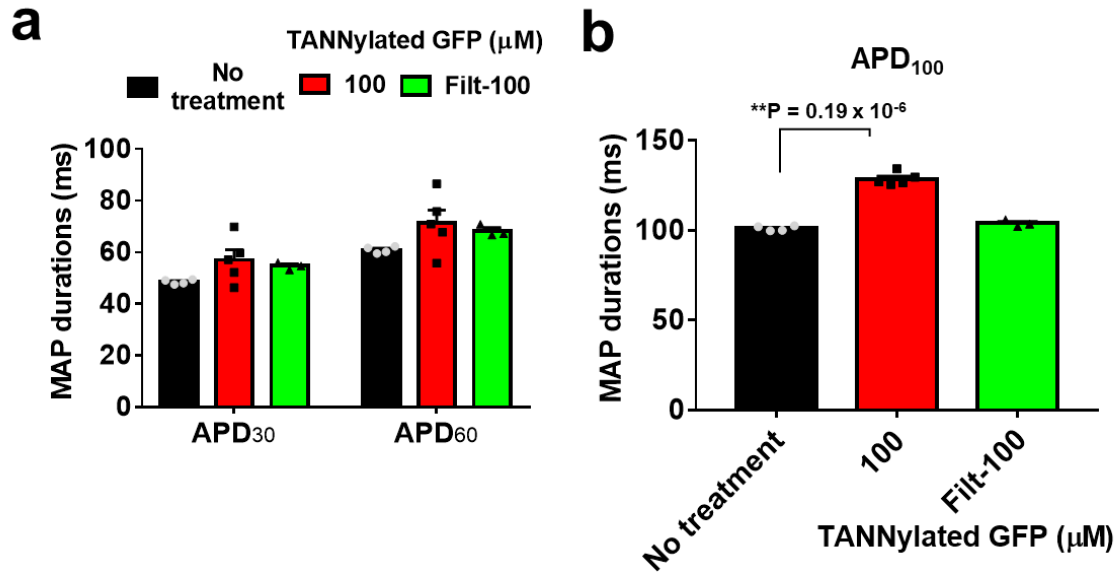


Figure S12. Effects of TANNylated GFP on Monophasic action potentials (MAPs) recorded from Langendorff- perfused rat hearts. a, Statistical analysis of MAP durations at 30 % (APD₃₀) (left bars) and 60 % (APD₆₀) (right bars). **b,** MAP durations at 100 % of full repolarization (APD₁₀₀) in a vehicle control (K-H solution only) and TANNylated GFP at concentrations of 100 μM or centrifugally filtered one ('Filt-100'). Mean $\pm$ s.e.m. each n = 4 for no treatment, each n = 5 for the 100 μM [TA] + GFP group and each n = 3 for the Filt-100 group. **P value compared with the no treatment group. Tukey test, one-way ANOVA.

Supplementary Figure 13.

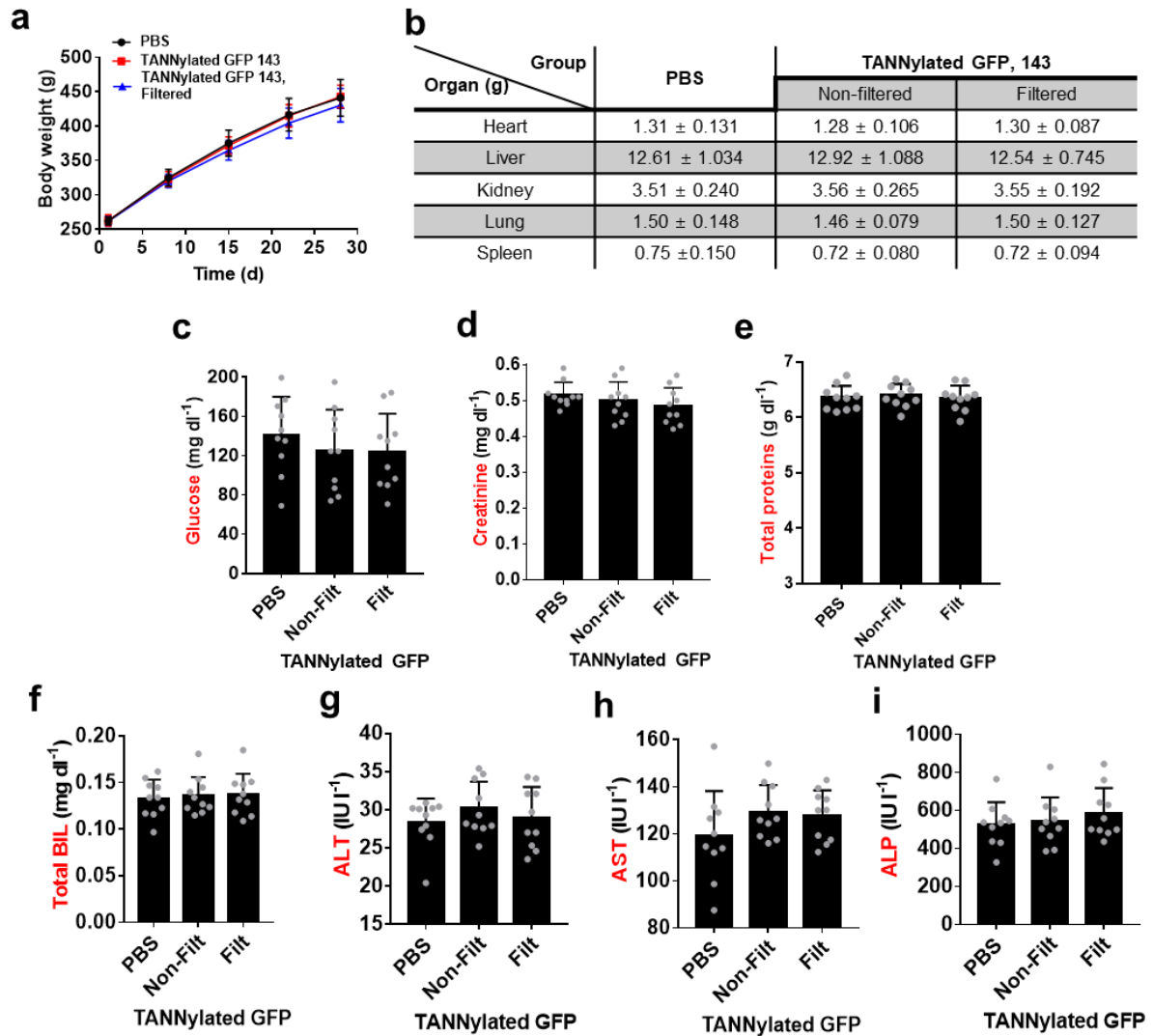


Figure S13. *In vivo* long-term toxicity of TANNylated GFP injected into rats' tail veins (n=30). **a**, The changes in total body weights for 29 days post-injection of TANNylated GFP with non-filtration (red, n = 10) and filtration (blue, n = 10), or PBS as a control (black, n =10). **b**, Comparison of the weights of main organs such as heart, liver, kidney, lung, and spleen, at 29 days post-injections. **c to i**, Clinical chemistry analysis for constituents in blood and urine, including glucose (**c**), creatinine (**d**), total proteins (**e**), total bilirubin (BIL) (**f**), aminotransferase (ALT and AST) (**g** and **h**), and alkaline phosphatase (ALP) (**i**).

Supplementary Figure 14.

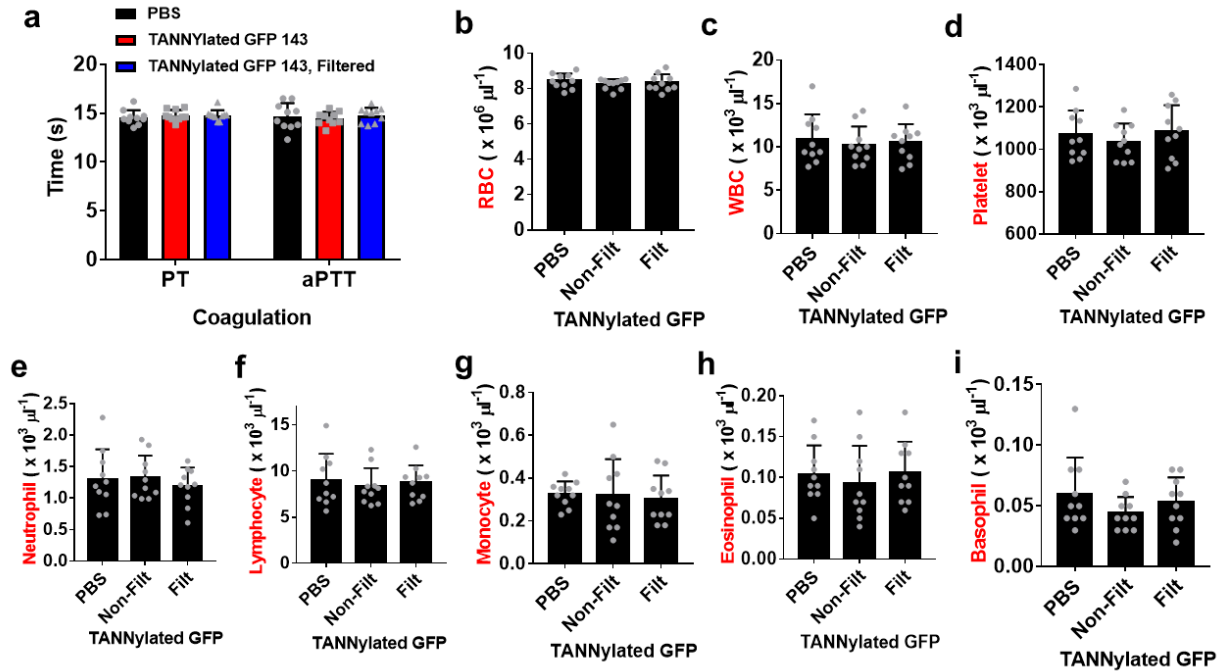


Figure S14. *In vivo* hematological analysis for TANNylated GFP injected into rats' tail veins (n = 30). **a**, Prothrombin time (PT) (left bars) and activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT) (right bars) tests to evaluate coagulation times of the whole blood samples after injecting TANNylated GFP with non-filtration (red, n = 10) and filtration (blue, n = 10), or PBS as a control (black, n = 10). **b to i**, The blood cell count levels at 29 days post-injection, including red blood cells (RBC) (**b**), white blood cells (**c**), platelet (**d**), neutrophil (**e**), lymphocyte (**f**), monocyte (**g**), eosinophil (**h**), and basophil (**i**).

Supplementary Table S1.**Table S1. Evaluation for *in vivo* hemodynamic parameters, blood pressure and volume, at 12 or 24 h post-injection of TANNylated GFP.**

	Control	TANNylated GFP 12 h	TANNylated GFP 24 h
n	6	6	6
ESP, mmHg	93.5 ± 3.4	92.7 ± 6.1	96.5 ± 6.3
EDP, mmHg	5.6 ± 0.7	7.6 ± 1.3	7.2 ± 1.3
ESV, μ l	66.5 ± 8.4	71.0 ± 9.4	75.2 ± 6.4
EDV, μ l	256.9 ± 17.4	246.3 ± 15.0	236.3 ± 27.4
SW, mmHg·ml·kg	3.06 ± 0.31	3.02 ± 0.24	3.05 ± 0.29
Ea, mmHg μ l ⁻¹	0.52 ± 0.07	0.54 ± 0.03	0.60 ± 0.07

Values are means ± s.e.m; n, no. of rats; ESP, end systolic pressure; EDP, end diastolic pressure; ESV, end systolic volume; EDV, end diastolic volume; SW, Stroke work; Ea, arterial elastance (measure of ventricular afterload).

Supplementary Table S2.

Table S2. Therapeutic evaluation for *in vivo* hemodynamic parameters such as blood pressure and volume after 28 days of injection of TANNylated bFGF or bFGF alone injections.

	Sham	MIR model		
		No treatment	bFGF	TANNylated bFGF
n	6	7	7	7
HR, bpm	310.0 ± 17.7	329.8 ± 15.2	316.5 ± 12.9	322.7 ± 18.0
ESP, mmHg	99.7 ± 1.4	74.3 ± 4.7*	85.3 ± 1.7*	103.8 ± 4.6
EDP, mmHg	8.7 ± 1.5	5.7 ± 1.2	8.5 ± 0.9	9.8 ± 1.6
ESV, µl	48.6 ± 11.0	280.2 ± 13.5*	254.5 ± 13.8*	133.9 ± 19.5*
EDV, µl	255.2 ± 39.8	396.2 ± 13.4*	365.3 ± 27.5*	295.9 ± 23.3
SW, mmHg·ml·kg	3.23 ± 0.54	1.39 ± 0.18*	1.51 ± 0.14*	3.00 ± 0.53
Ea, mmHg µl ⁻¹	0.57 ± 0.18	0.77 ± 0.21	0.86 ± 0.12	0.77 ± 0.14
Tau, ms	11.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 0.3	11.7 ± 0.5	11.7 ± 1.1

Values are means ± s.e.m.; n, no. of rats; HR, heart rate; ESP, end systolic pressure; EDP, end diastolic pressure; ESV, end systolic volume; EDV, end diastolic volume; SW, Stroke work; Ea, arterial elastance (measure of ventricular afterload), Tau, relaxation time constant calculated by Weiss' method. *P < 0.05, compared with the sham group. Dunnett's test.