



Supplementary Materials

ROS- and pH-Responsive Polydopamine Functionalized $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{T}_x$ MXene-Based Nanoparticles as Drug Delivery Nanocarriers with High Antibacterial Activity

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Thioglycolic acid was reacted with acetone to form a thioketal compound diacetoxyl thioketal.

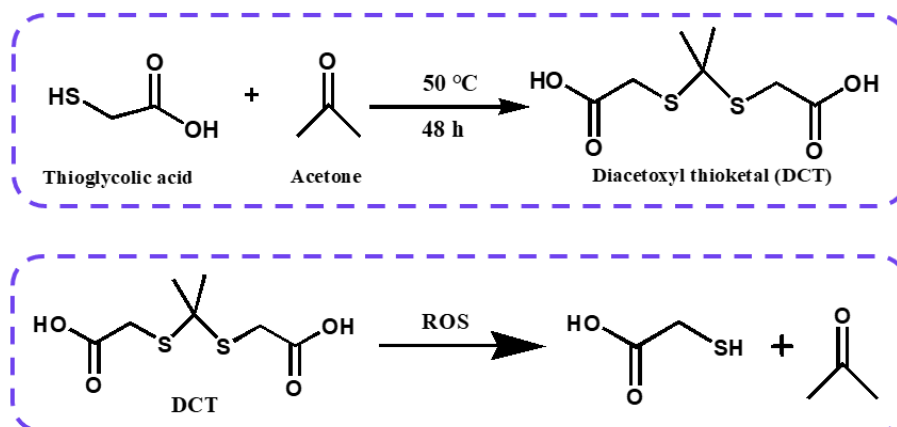


Figure S1. Synthesis of ROS-cleavable diacetoxyl thioketal (TK) linker.

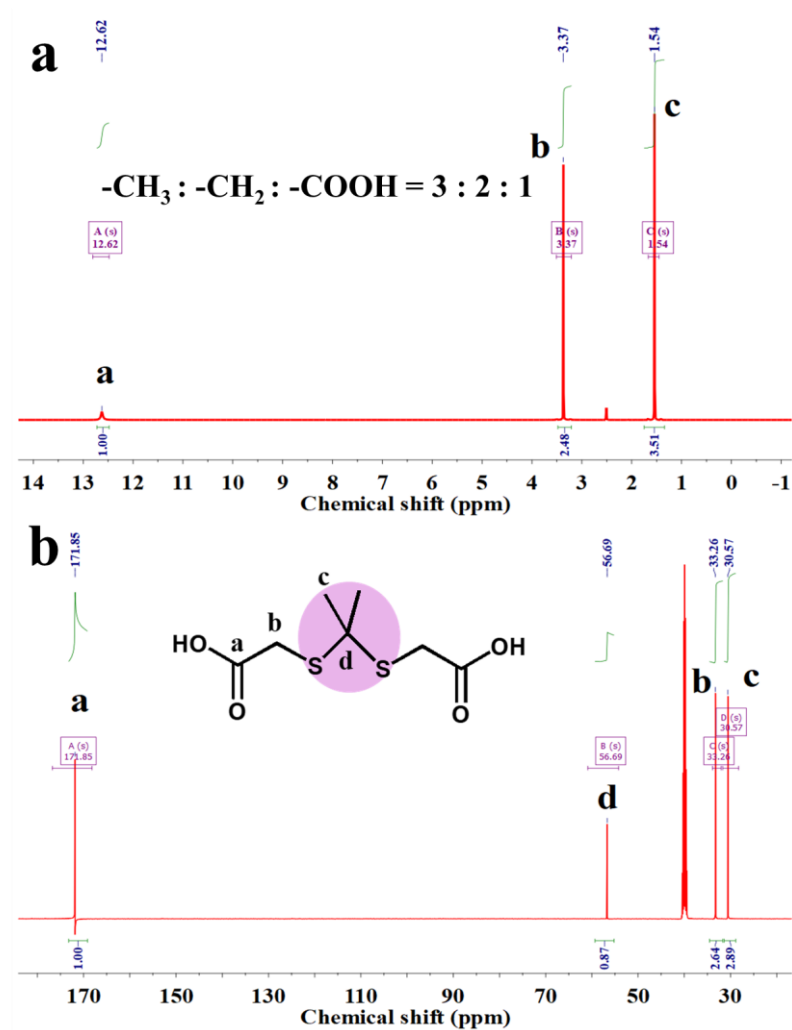


Figure S2. NMR spectra of TK ROS-cleavable linker in DMSO- d_6 (a) ^1H and (b) ^{13}C .

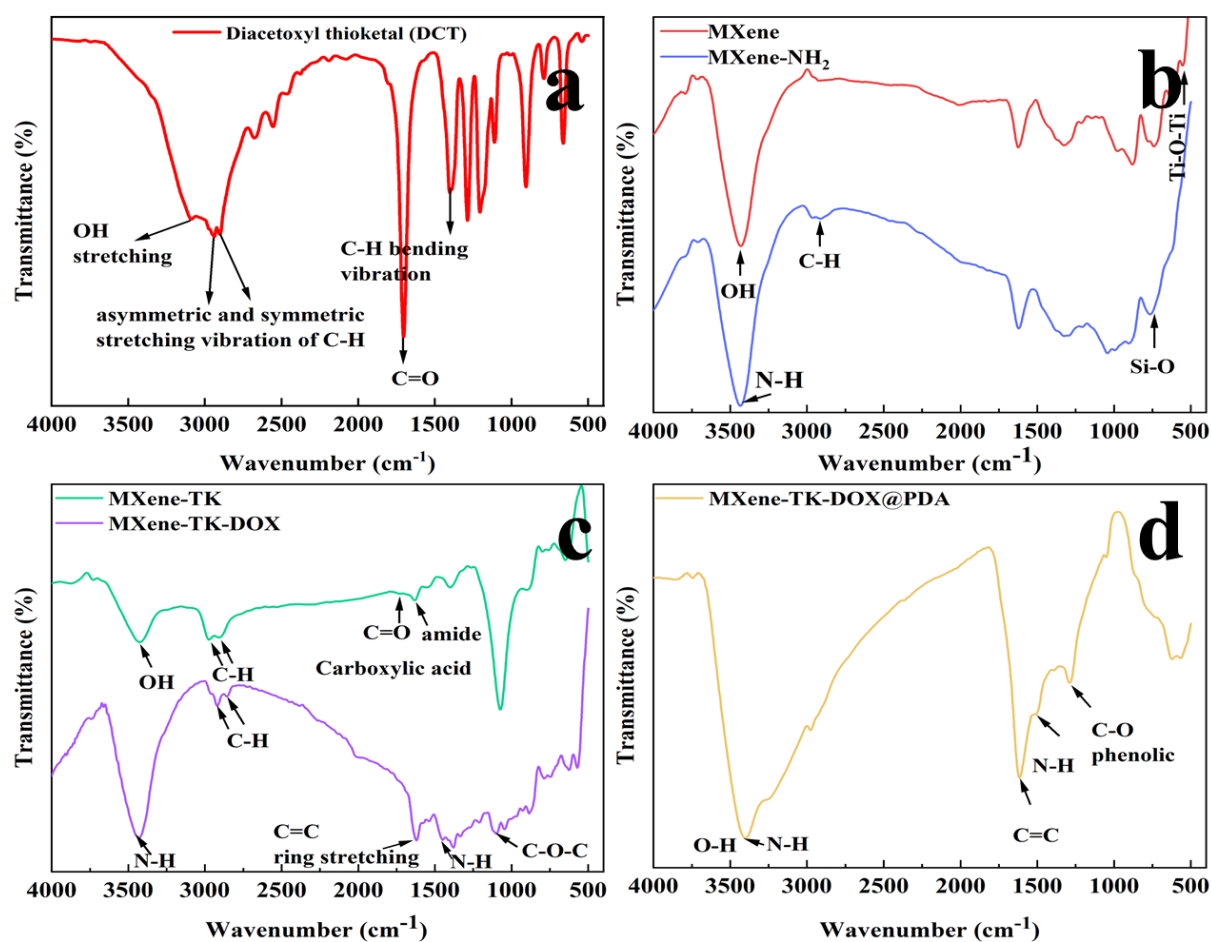


Figure S3. FTIR spectra analysis. (a) The ROS-cleavable TK linker, (b) MXene and MXene-NH₂ nanosheets, (c) MXene-TK and MXene-TK-DOX flaks, (d) MXene-TK-DOX@PDA nanoparticles.

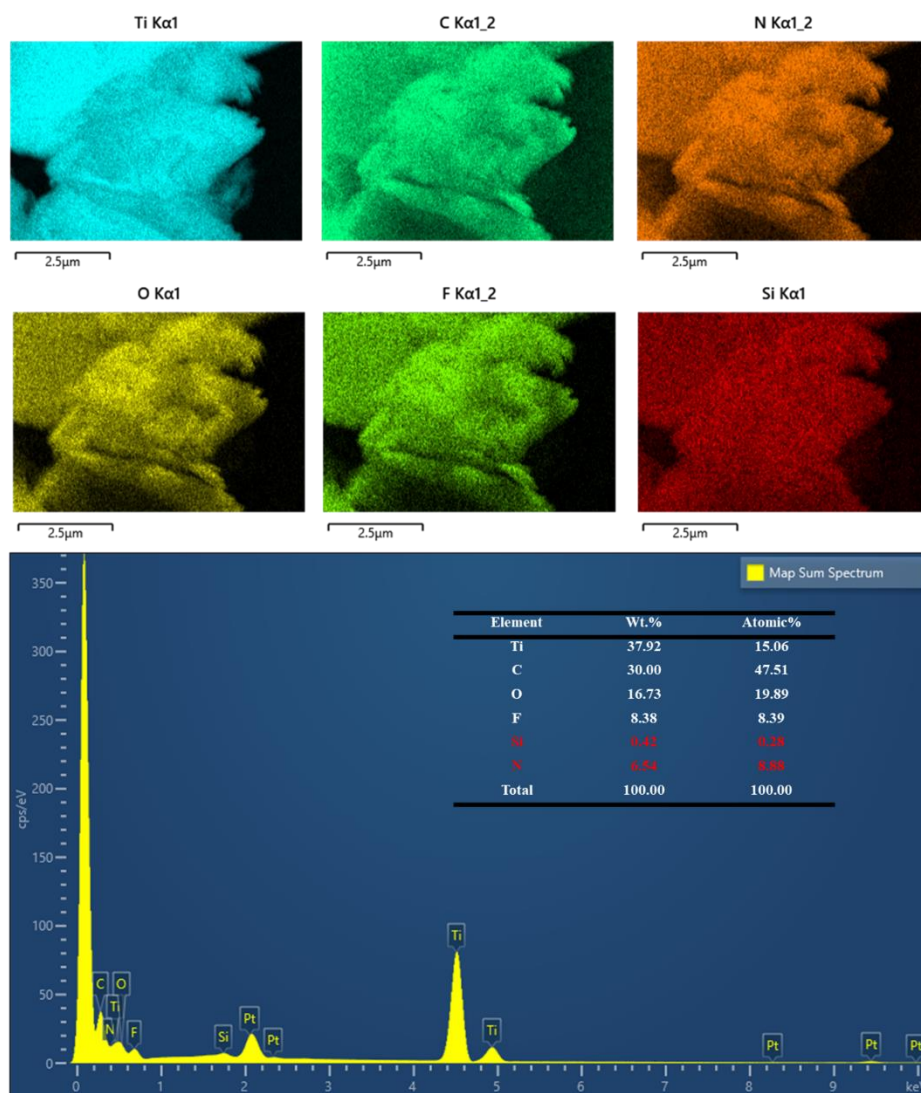


Figure S4. EDX (mapping) of MXene-NH₂ nanosheets.

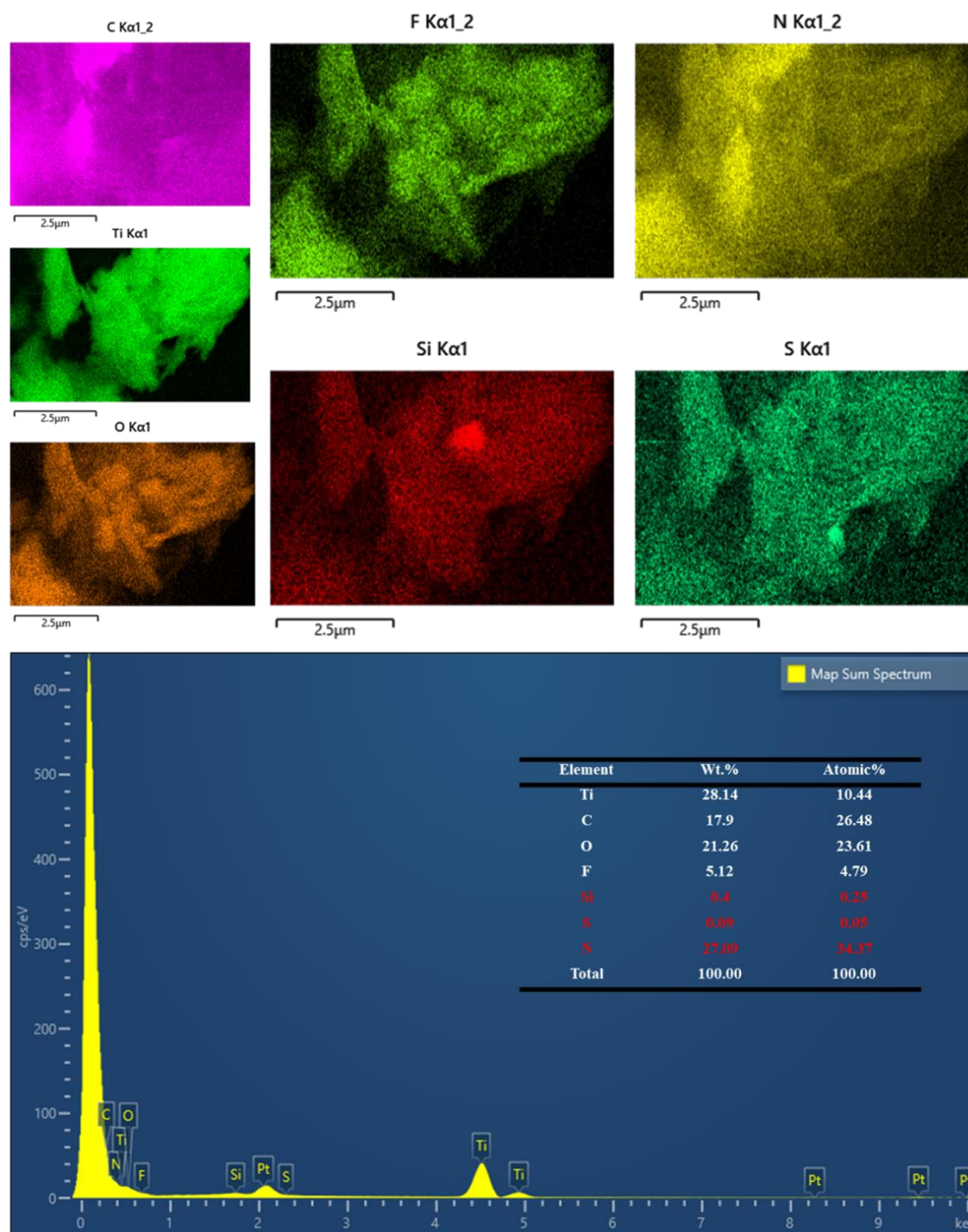


Figure S5. The EDX (mapping) of MXene-TK nanosheets.

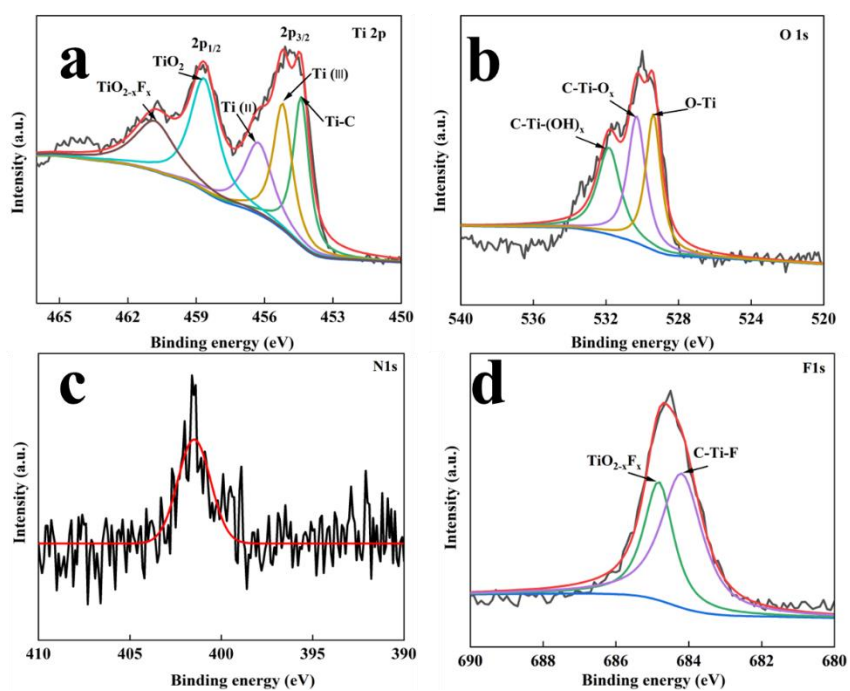


Figure S6. XPS spectrum of MXene nanosheets after delamination by TBAOH. (a) O1s, (b) Ti 2p, (c) F1s, and (d) N1s.

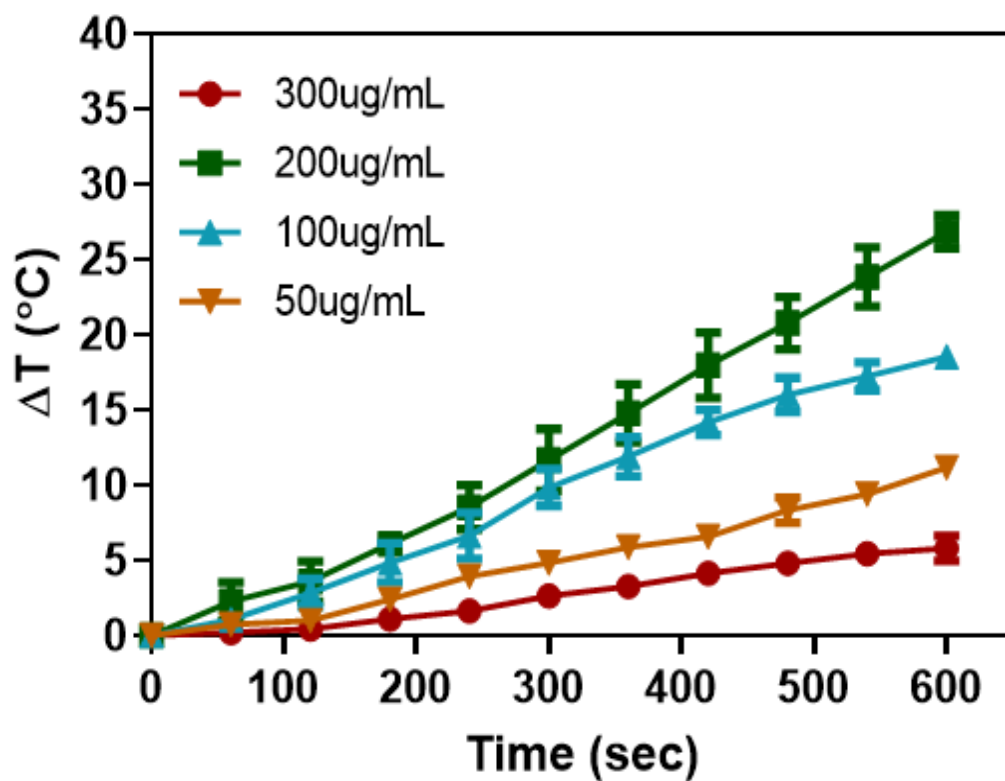


Figure S7. Photothermal-heating profile of MXene aqueous solution after 808 nm laser irradiation (2 W/cm^2) at elevated concentrations (50, 100, 200, and 300 ug/mL).

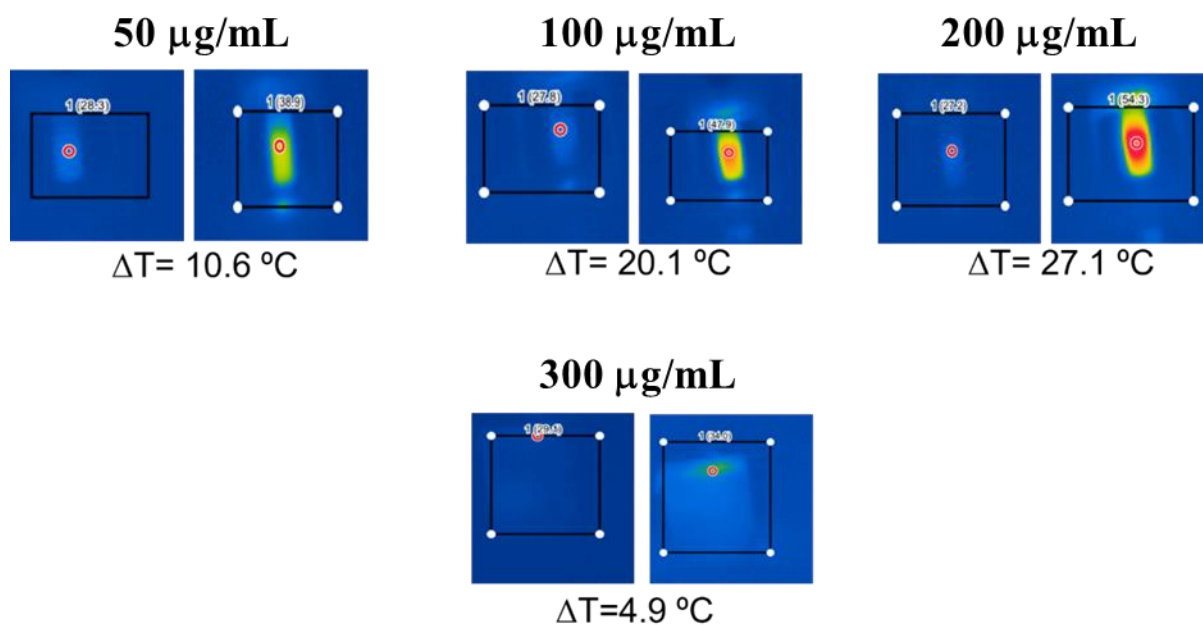


Figure S8. Infrared thermal images of MXene nanosheets irradiated with 808 nm laser (2 W/cm²) for 10 min at varied concentrations (50, 100, 200, and 300 $\mu\text{g/mL}$).

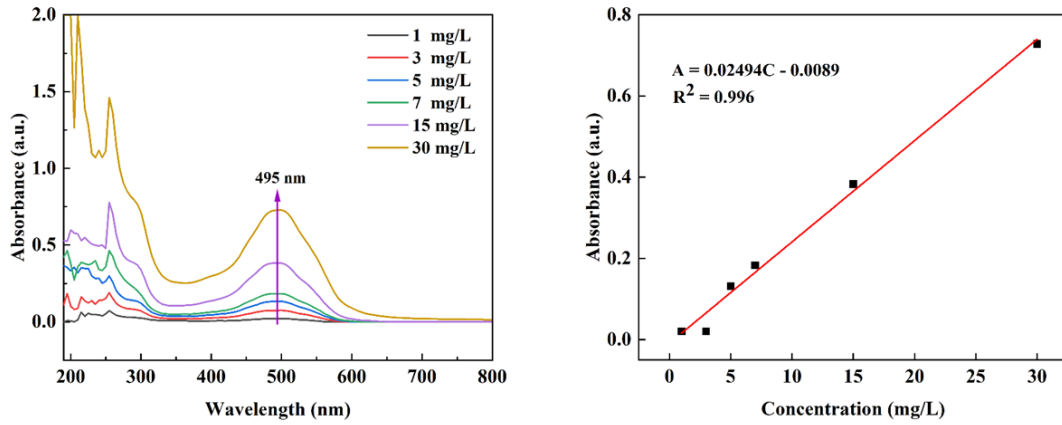


Figure S9. Calibration curve of doxorubicin in PBS solution.

Table S1 In vitro doxorubicin release kinetics study for different formulations based on the Higuchi model.

Sample Code	Release Medium	Higuchi	
		K_h^*	R^2
MXene-TK-DOX@PDA	pH 5.5	2.299	0.976
	pH 7.4	0.071	0.879
	pH 7.4 + H ₂ O ₂	5.993	0.995
	pH 5.5 + H ₂ O ₂	7.931	0.993

K_h^* represents the release rate constant, and R^2 represents the correlation coefficient.

The general simplified Higuchi model equation is expressed as follows.

$$\text{Higuchi: } M_t = k_h t^{1/2} \quad (1)$$

Where M_t is the release rate at time t and k_h is the rate constant.