

**Imidazo[1,5-a]pyridine-benzopyrylium based NIR fluorescent probe
for monitoring SO₂ with ultralarge Stokes shifts**

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Instruments

^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker Avance 400 (400 MHz) spectrometer (CDCl_3 or DMSO-d_6 as solvent and tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were measured on an Agilent 6546 LC/Q-TOF spectrometer using electron spray ionization (ESI) technique. Chromatographic separations were done by column chromatography using 200-300 mesh silica gel. UV-vis spectra and fluorescence spectra were recorded on a UV-2600 spectrometer (Shimadzu) and FS-5 luminescence spectrophotometer (Edinburg) at room temperature and Fluorescence imaging was obtained by Olympus FV 3000.

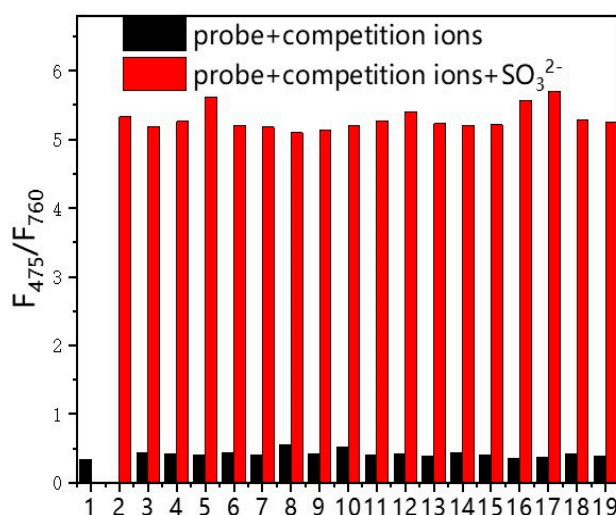


Figure S1. Ratiometric fluorescence responses F_{475}/F_{760} of **IPB-RL-1** upon the addition of 10 equiv. SO_3^{2-} in the presence of 100 eq. background ions (1, probe; 2, SO_4^{2-} ; 3, Br^- ; 4, ACO^- ; 5, Cl^- ; 6, ClO^- ; 7, Cys; 8, ClO_4^- ; 9, GSH; 10, F^- ; 11, H_2PO_4^- ; 12, HCO_3^- ; 13, HPO_4^{2-} ; 14, HS^- ; 15, I^- ; 16, NO_2^- ; 17, NO_3^- ; 18, $\text{S}_2\text{O}_8^{2-}$; 19, SO_3^{2-}).

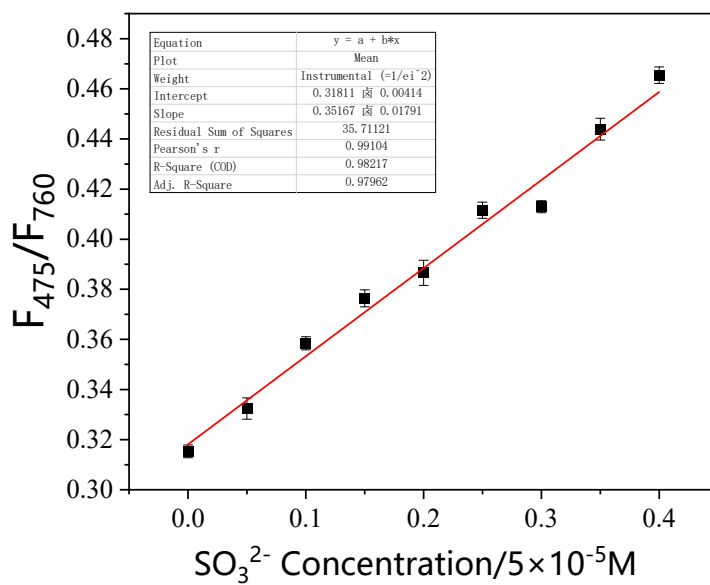


Figure S2. Relationship between fluorescence intensity ratio (F_{475}/F_{760}) and SO_3^{2-} concentration.

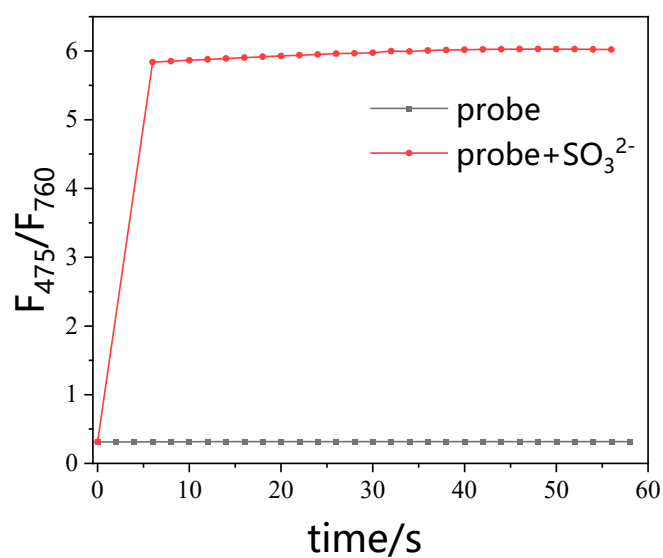


Figure S3. Time dependent increase of IPB-RL-1 fluorescence intensities after addition of SO_3^{2-} .

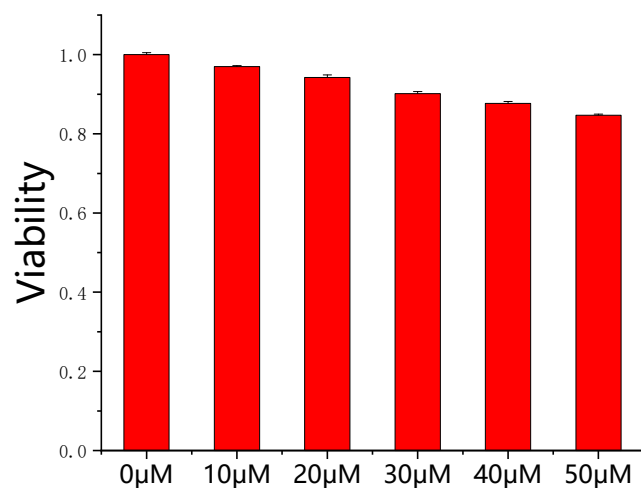


Figure S4. Cytotoxicity of **IPB-RL-1**.

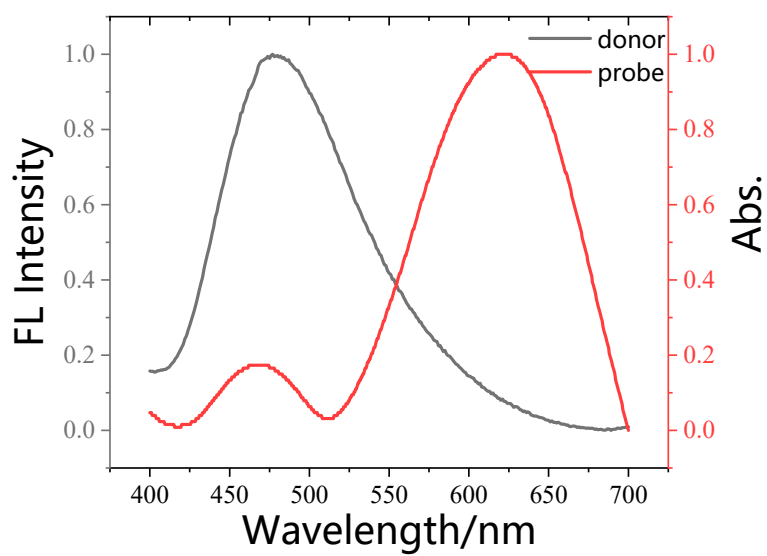


Figure S5. Normalized emission spectra of donor (compound **3**) and normalized absorption spectra of **IPB-RL-1**.

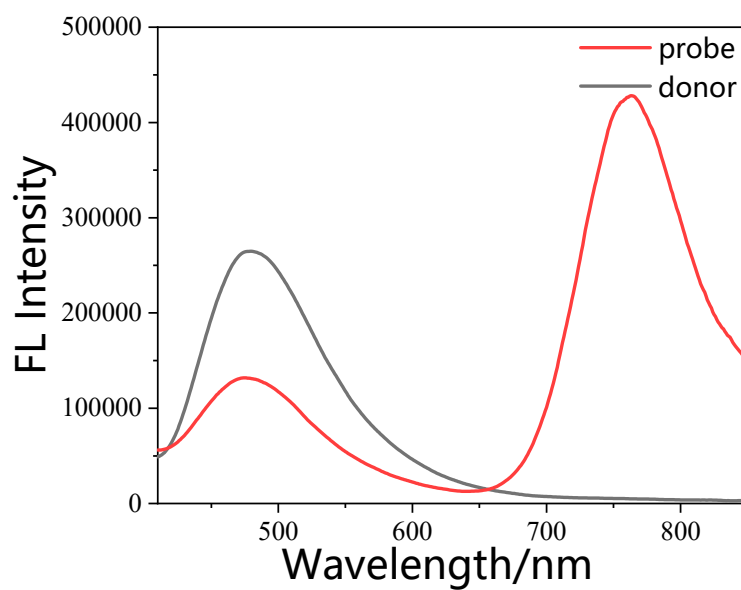


Figure S6. The emission spectrum of probe **IPB-RL-1** and donor.

$$\text{Energy transfer efficiency} = 1 - F_{DA}/F_D = 51\%$$

Where F_{DA} is the fluorescence intensity of the donor in the presence of the acceptor,

F_D is fluorescence intensity of the donor in the absence of the acceptor.

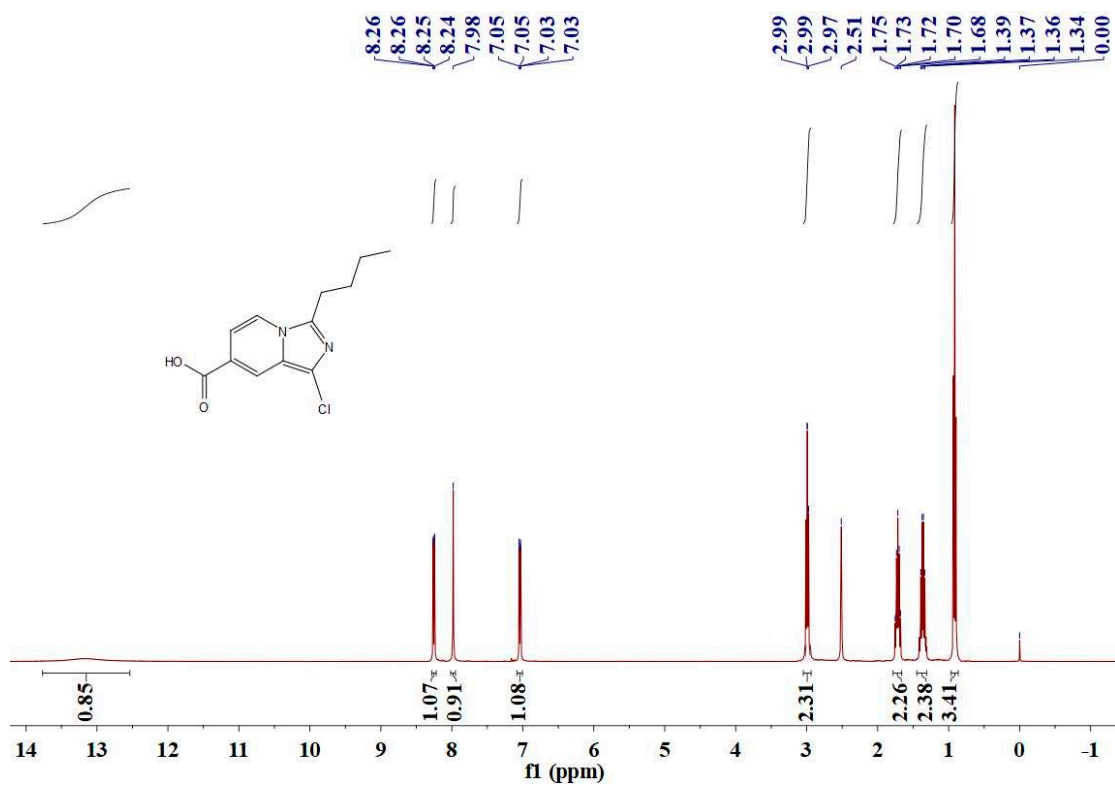


Figure S7. ¹H NMR of compound 1.

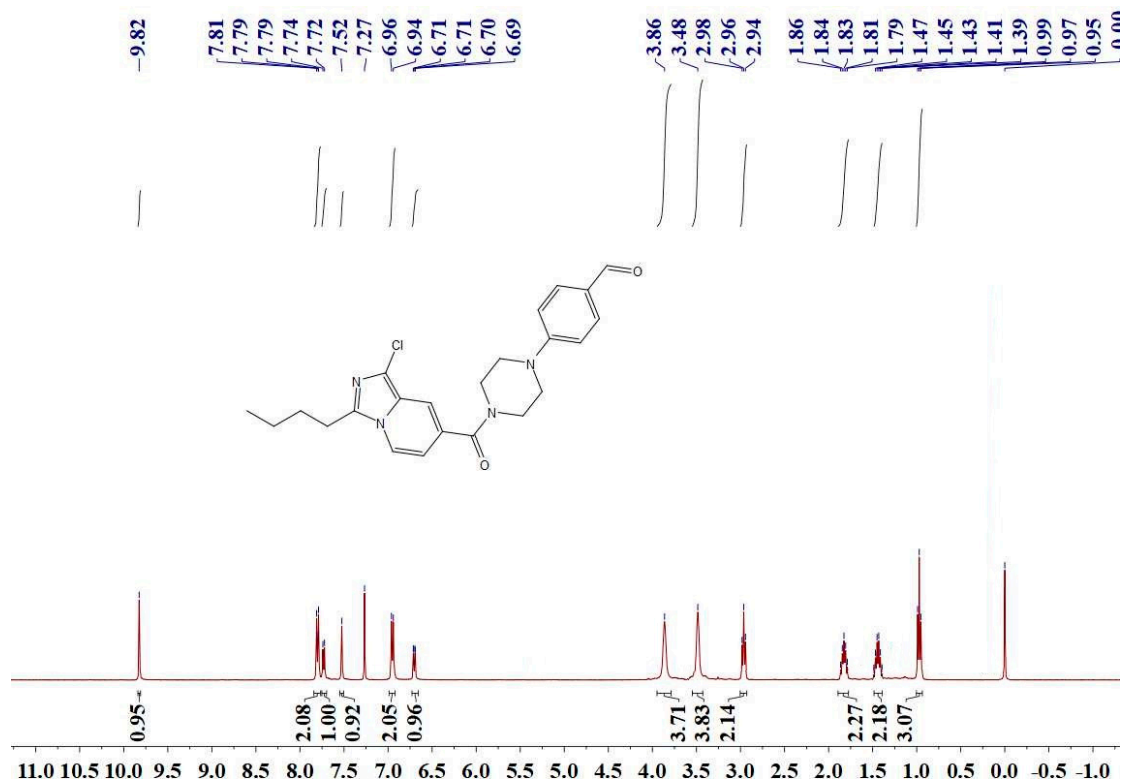


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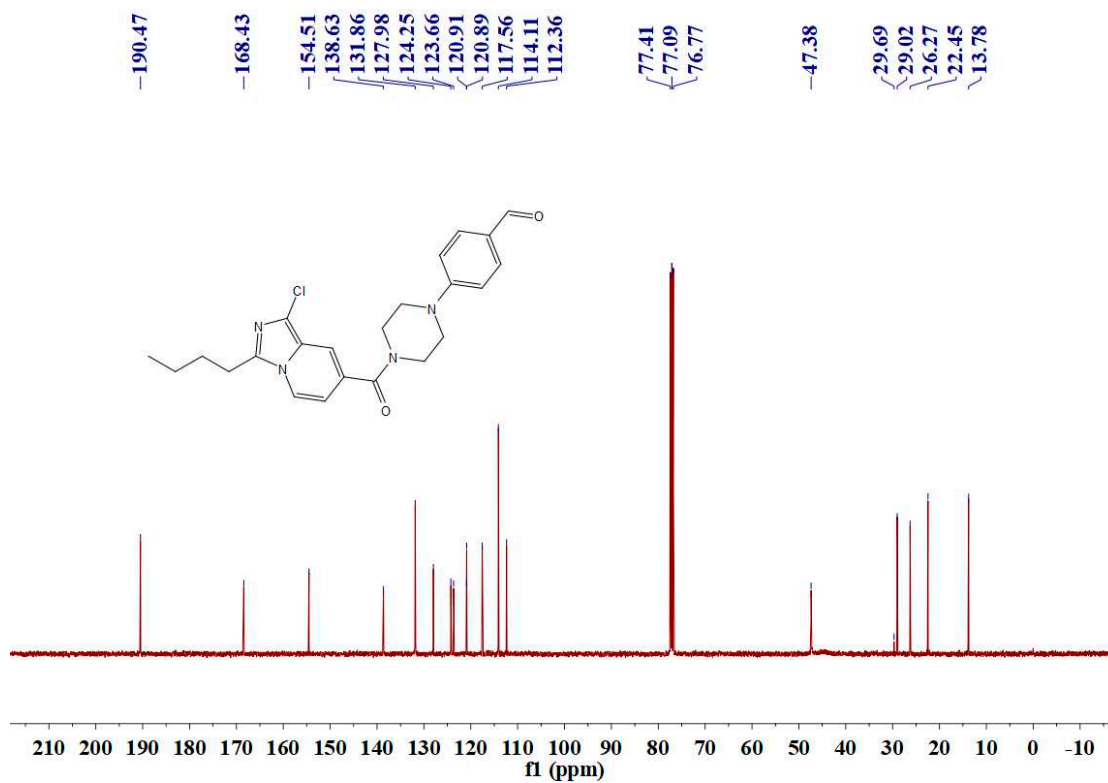


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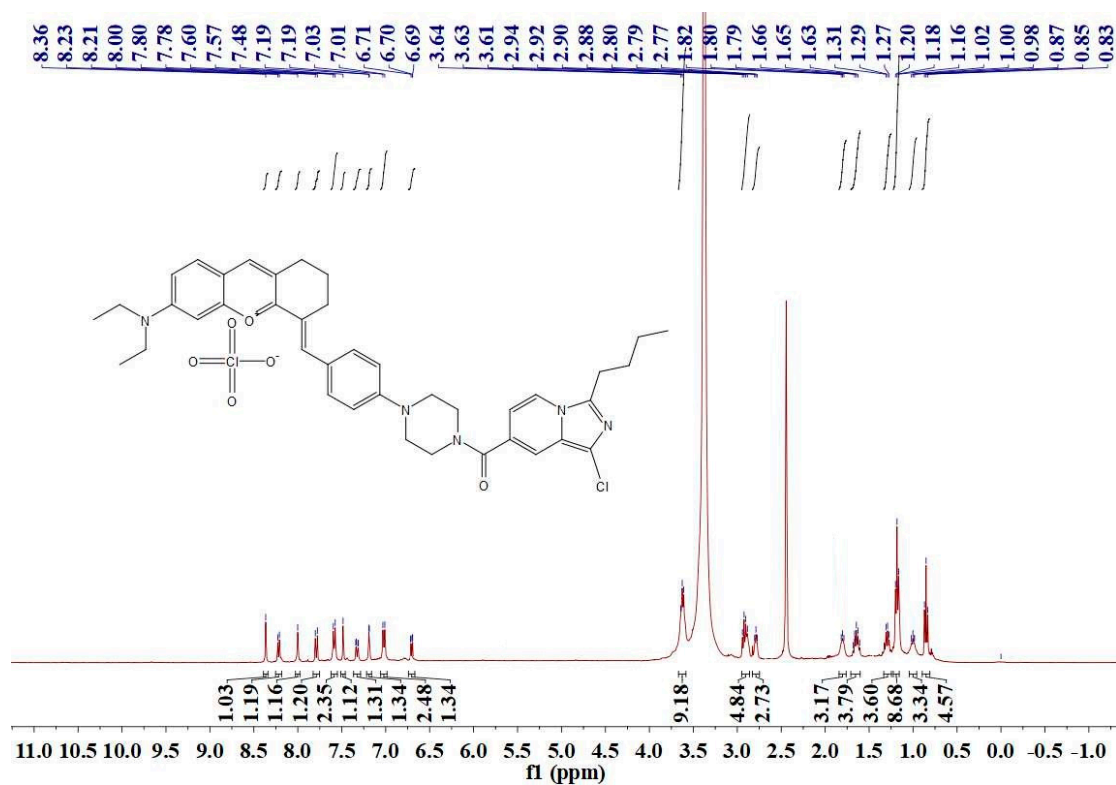


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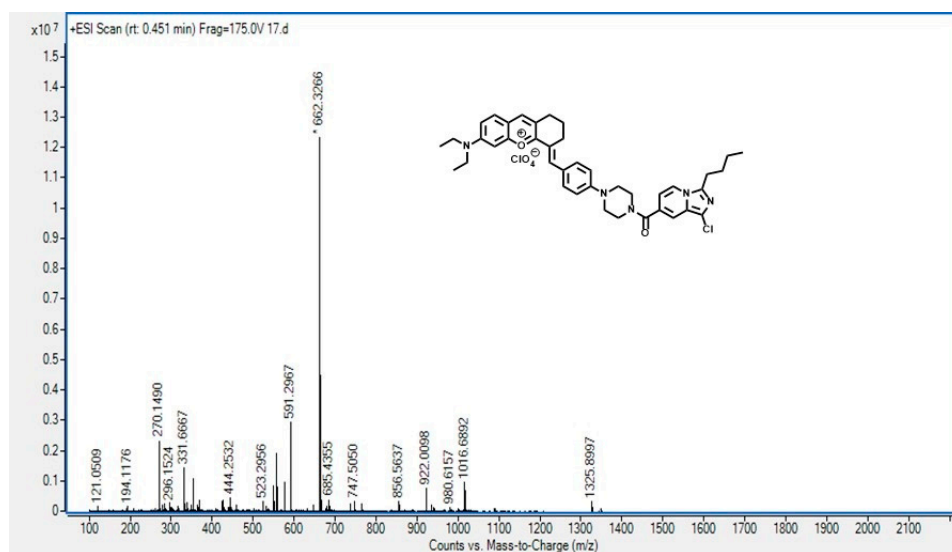
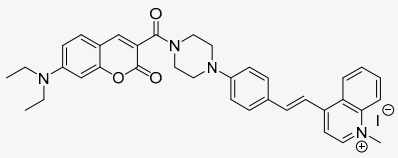
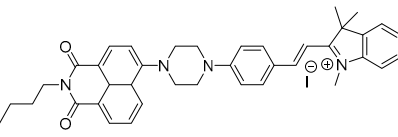
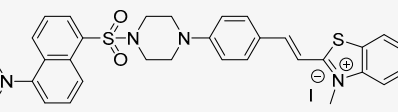
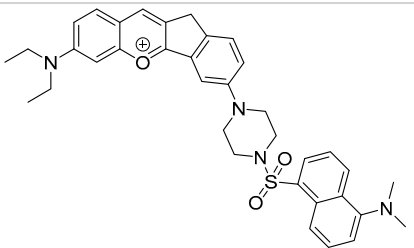
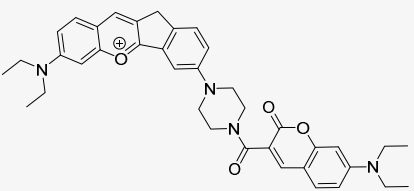
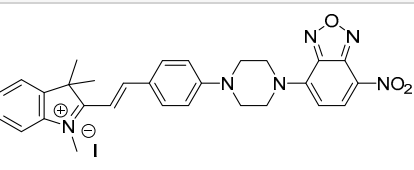
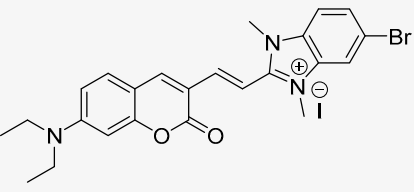
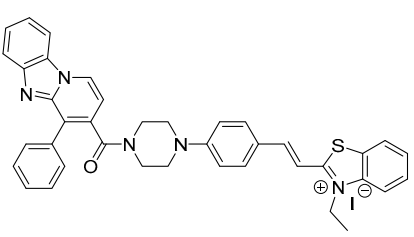
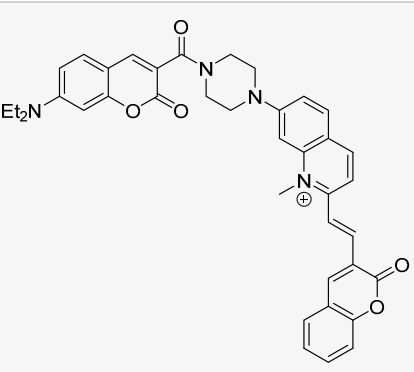
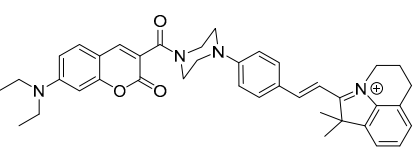
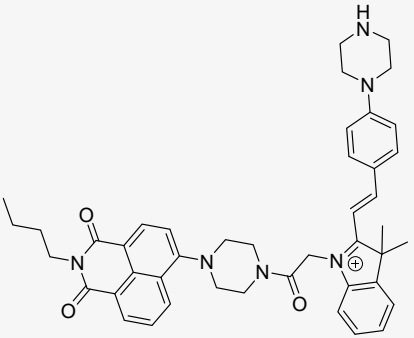
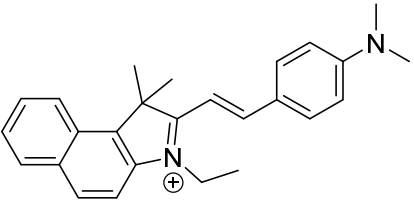
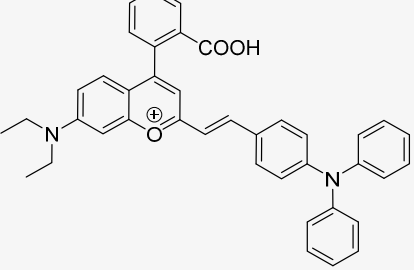
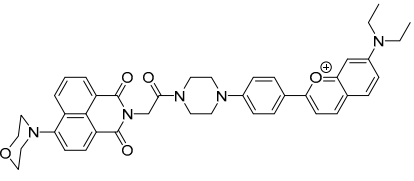
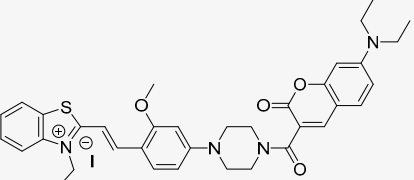
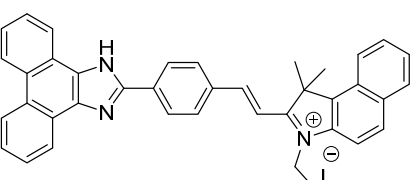
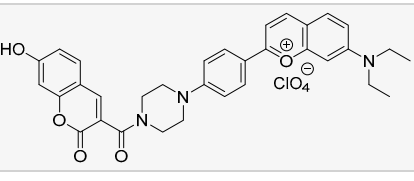
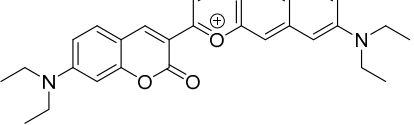


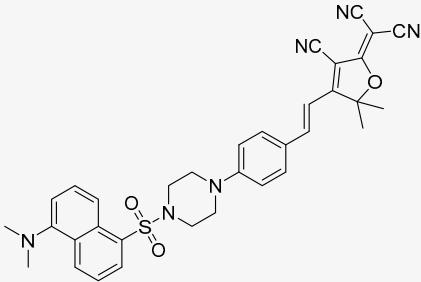
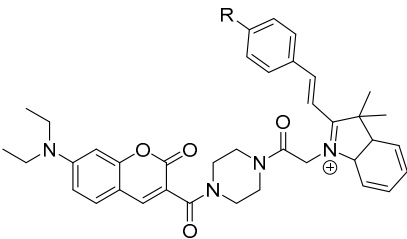
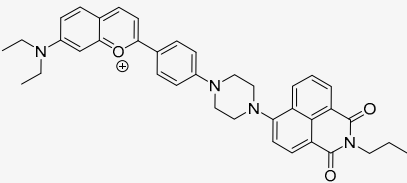
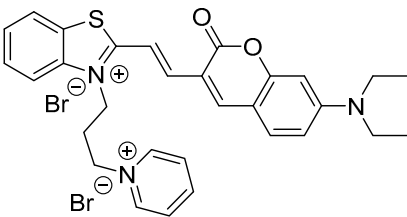
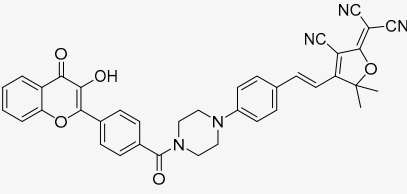
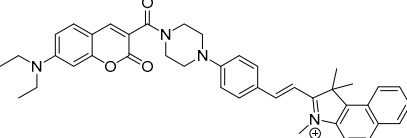
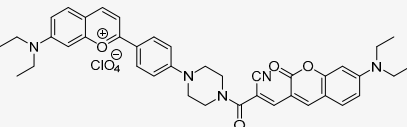
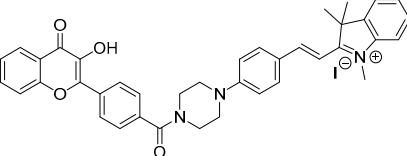
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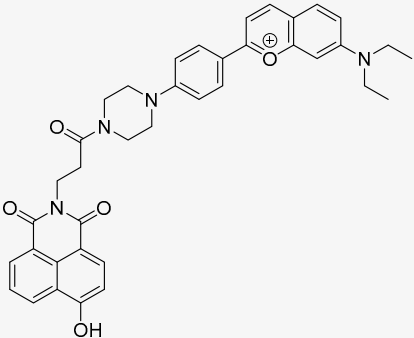
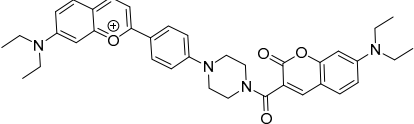
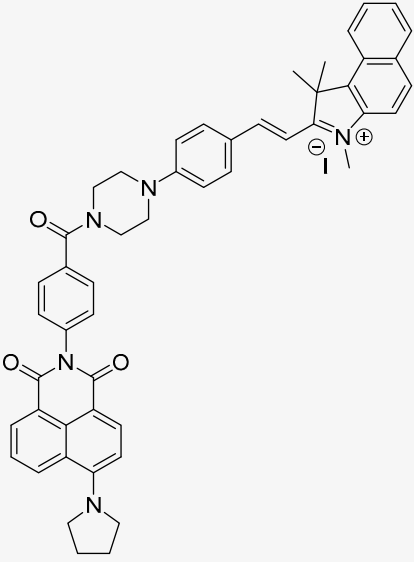
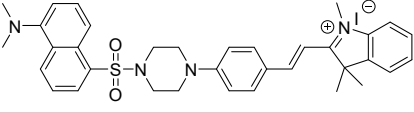
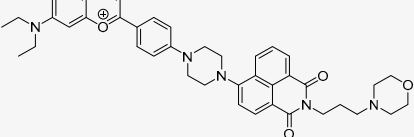
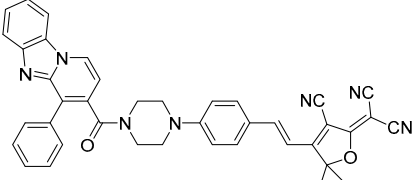
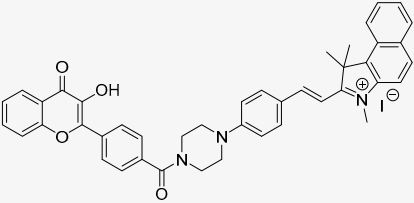
Table S1. Comparison with other probes.

Probe	λ_{ex} (nm)	Stokes shift (nm)	LOD (nM)	response time	Ref.
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	410	115	98.1	150s	32
	390	200	69		33

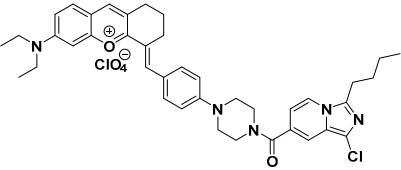
	380	255	1.08	22s	34
	410	225	1.08	22s	34
	345	250	68	2min	35
	420	160	×	36min	36
	380	198	26.7	60min	28
	395	132	100	50min	25
	405	195	6600 0	5min	11

	410	180	61.2	30s	37
	405	206	58.6	30s	38
	640	170	3200	80min	39
	390	240	7.48	8s	16
	380	203	12.6	35s	40
	370	80	26	20s	41
	405	230	78	15s	42
	470	224	47	10s	43

	390	155	66	60min	22
	430	159	12.85	3min	44
	425	215	1210	5s	12
	400	48	292	1min	45
	345	296	17	20min	46
	420	200	15.6	13min	47
	405	233	160	40s	20
	345	245	16	2min	48

	405	229	47	8min	49
	420	210	17.7	1min	19
	440	170	16.2	12min	50
	410	172	100	2min	51
	470	180	17	20s	21
	380	260	62	2min	52
	410	205	2600 0	10min	23

	415	235	5910	1min	53
	380	196	70	20min	54
	378	122	240	10min	17
	405	239	39	3min	55
	380	200	130	3min	56
	380	210	50	3min	57
	430	200	2900	4min	58
	450	204	512	10min	59

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