Supplementary Information

Mitochondria-targeted turn-on fluorescent probe based on a rhodol platform for the detection of copper(I)

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Fig. S1 UV-vis spectrum of 1 μ M RdITPA-Et₂ (blue line) in 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.20) containing 2 mM glutathione (GSH). Red spectrum was observed upon reaction with 20 μ M [Cu^I(CH₃CN)₄]PF₆ for 3 h.



Fig. S2 HPLC chromatograms of the reaction mixture of RdITPA-Et₂ and $[Cu^{I}(CH_{3}CN)_{4}]PF_{6}$. (a) Before addition of $[Cu^{I}(CH_{3}CN)_{4}]PF_{6}$. (b) Reaction mixture after incubation for 3 h at room temperature. (c) HMDER as the authentic sample. The reaction was carried out in 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.20) containing 2 mM GSH. The HPLC gradient was as follows: solvent A (0.1 % TFA in water), solvent B (0.1 % TFA in CH₃CN); 12-25 min, 0-100% B. The peaks were monitored by UV absorbance at 525 nm.



Fig. S3 ESI mass spectra (positive ion mode) for the reaction of 2 μ M RdITPA-Et₂ and 10 μ M [Cu^I(CH₃CN)₄]PF₆ in 10 mM NH₄OAc in the presence of 100 μ M GSH. The incubation time was 3 h. Inset: expansion of ESI-MS chromatogram in the range between 360 and 400. Mass peaks observed at 374.18 and 396.07 were attributed to HMDER ([M+H]⁺) and the copper complex with oxidized TPA ligand ([M]⁺), respectively. Peaks at 307.09 ([M+2H]²⁺) and 613.17 ([M+H]⁺) were attributed to the oxidized form of GSH (GS-SG).



Fig. S4 Fluorescence spectral changes of 1 μ M RdlTPA-Et₂ upon addition of 1 μ M [Cu^I(CH₃CN)₄]PF₆ in 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.20) containing 10 mM GSH. The spectra were measured every 60 min with the excitation wavelength at 525 min. Inset: Time course of the fluorescence intensity at 542 nm.



Fig. S5 Fluorescence response of 2 μ M RdlTPA-TPP (blue line) to 20 μ M [Cu^I(CH₃CN)₄]PF₆. A red spectrum was recorded after a 3 h reaction of RdlTPA-TPP with Cu^I in 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.20) containing 2 mM GSH. The excitation wavelength was 525 nm.



Fig. S6 Effect of pH on emission intensity at 542 nm of 1 μ M RdlTPA-Et₂ in aqueous solutions, $\lambda_{ex} = 525$ nm.



Fig. S7 Confocal fluorescence images of HeLa cells (a-d) before and (e-h) after treatment with CCCP. The cells were co-incubated with 10 μ M RdITPA-TPP and LysoTracker Red for 3 h at 37 °C. (a, d) RdITPA-TPP; (b, f) LysoTracker Red; (c, g) merged image of RdITPA-TPP and LysoTracker Red; (d, h) brightfield.



Figure S7. 1 H (top) and 13 C (bottom) spectra of RdITPA-Et₂ in CDCl₃.



Figure S8. 1 H (top) and 13 C (bottom) spectra of **3** in CD₃OD.



Figure S9. ¹H (top) and ¹³C (bottom) spectra of **4** in CD_3OD .



Figure S10. ¹H (top) and ¹³C (bottom) spectra of **5** in CD_3OD .



Figure S11. (left) HPLC chart and of isolated Rdl-TPP eluted with water/CH₃CN containing 0.1% TFA. (right) HR-ESI mass spectrum (pos.) of Rdl-TPP.



Figure S12. (left) HPLC chart and of isolated RdITPA-TPP eluted with water/CH₃CN containing 0.1% TFA. (right) HR-ESI mass spectrum (pos.) of RdITPA-TPP.