## Supporting Information For

## A napthelene-pyrazol conjugate: Al(III) ion selective blue shifting chemosensor applicable as biomarker in aqueous solution

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Fig. S1 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of HL in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>



Fig. S3 IR spectrum of HL





Fig. S4 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of Al(III) complex of HL in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>



Fig. S5 IR spectrum of L-Al complex



Fig.S6 Mass spectrum of L-Al complex



Fig.S7 Theoretically optimised structure of HL (left) and the L-Al complex (right)



**Fig.S8** Energy level diagram for the frontier p-MOs of **HL** (left) and **L-Al** complex (right).



Fig.S9 Fluorescence (left) and naked eye (right) colour change of the probe in absence and presence of Al(III) ions



Fig.S10 Absorption and emission spectra of 10  $\mu$ M of the probe in 100 mM HEPES buffer (DMSO/water 1:5, v/v) at 27°C



Fig. S11 Fluorescence intensity of HL in presence of different cations



**Fig. S12** Change of relative fluorescence intensity profile of **HL** in presence of different cations

	<b>B</b> <sub>1</sub>	<b>B</b> <sub>2</sub>	<b>T</b> <sub>1</sub> ( <b>ns</b> )	T <sub>2</sub> (ns)	T <sub>av</sub> (ns)	$\chi^2$	ф	Kr	K <sub>nr</sub>
Probe	96.48	3.52	0.0277	0.911	0.033	1.05	0.1016	3.07878	27.224
Probe + Al <sup>3+</sup> (1:0.5)	92.82	7.18	0.141	3.572	0.26	1.03	-	-	-
Probe + Al <sup>3+</sup> (1:1)	89.11	10.89	0.553	5.61	0.61	1.02	0.329	0.5393	1.100044

Table S1 Life time details of HL



**Fig. S13** Time-resolved fluorescence decay of **HL** (10 mM) in the absence and presence of added Al(III) ions (5 mM and 10 mM) (at  $\lambda_{ex} = 405$  nm) in 100 mM HEPES buffer (DMSO/ water: 1/5, v/v) [ $\lambda_{em}$ : 450 nm].





Fig. S14 <sup>1</sup>HNMR titration of HL(Expansion of aromatic region) in DMSO-d6 (a) <10  $\mu$ M (b) 10  $\mu$ M (c) 0  $\mu$ M Al(III)



Fig. S15 <sup>1</sup>HNMR titration of HL in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> (a) <10  $\mu$ M (b) 10  $\mu$ M (c) 0  $\mu$ M Al(III) ions



Fig. S16 Fluorescence response to pH of HL (10  $\mu$ M) in absence and in presence of Al(III) (one equivalent) at different pH in 100 mM HEPES buffer (DMSO/ water: 1/5) at 25 °C.



Fig. S17 Cytotoxic effect of HL



Fig. S18 Crystal Packing of HL