

Supporting Information

Rhodamine-labelled simple architectures for fluorometric and colorimetric sensing of Hg²⁺ and Pb²⁺ ions in semi-aqueous and aqueous environments

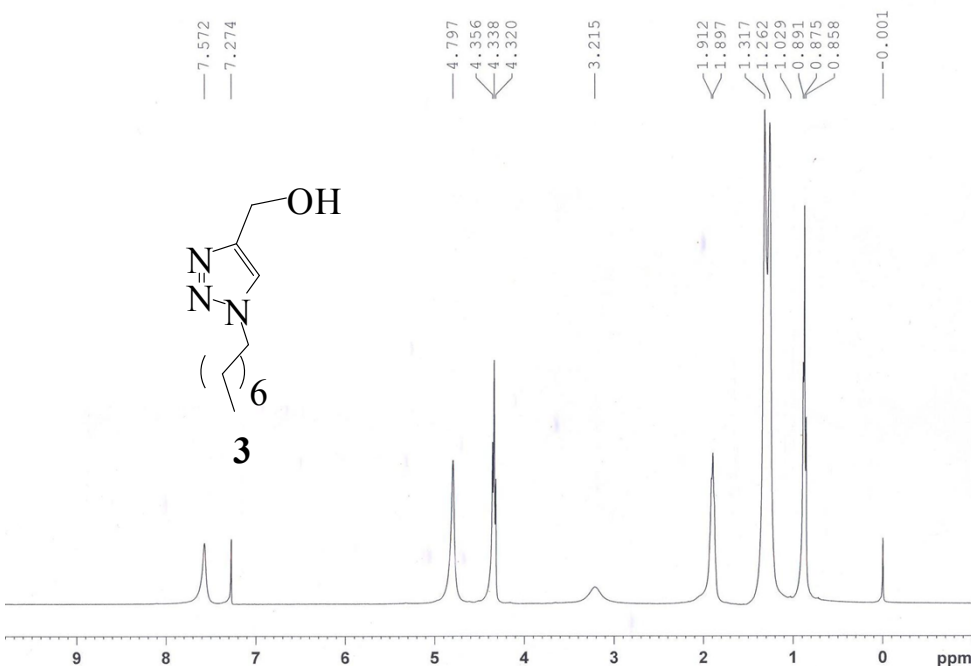
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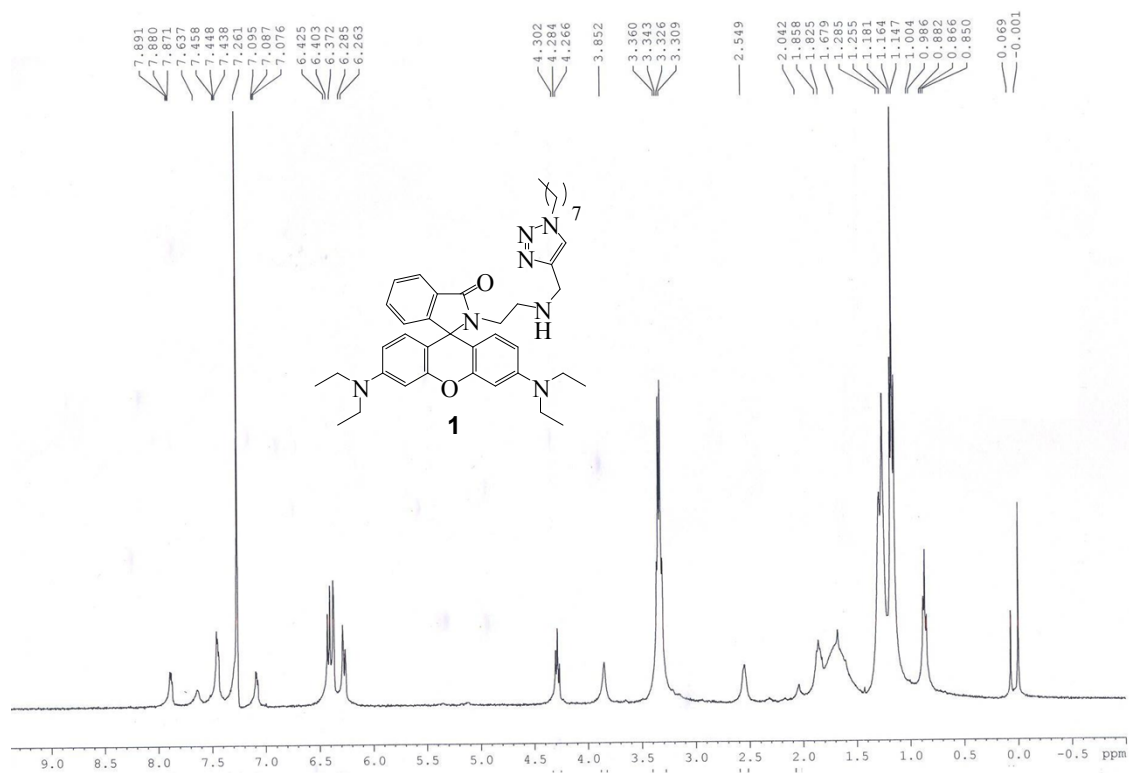
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1. Spectral data of compounds

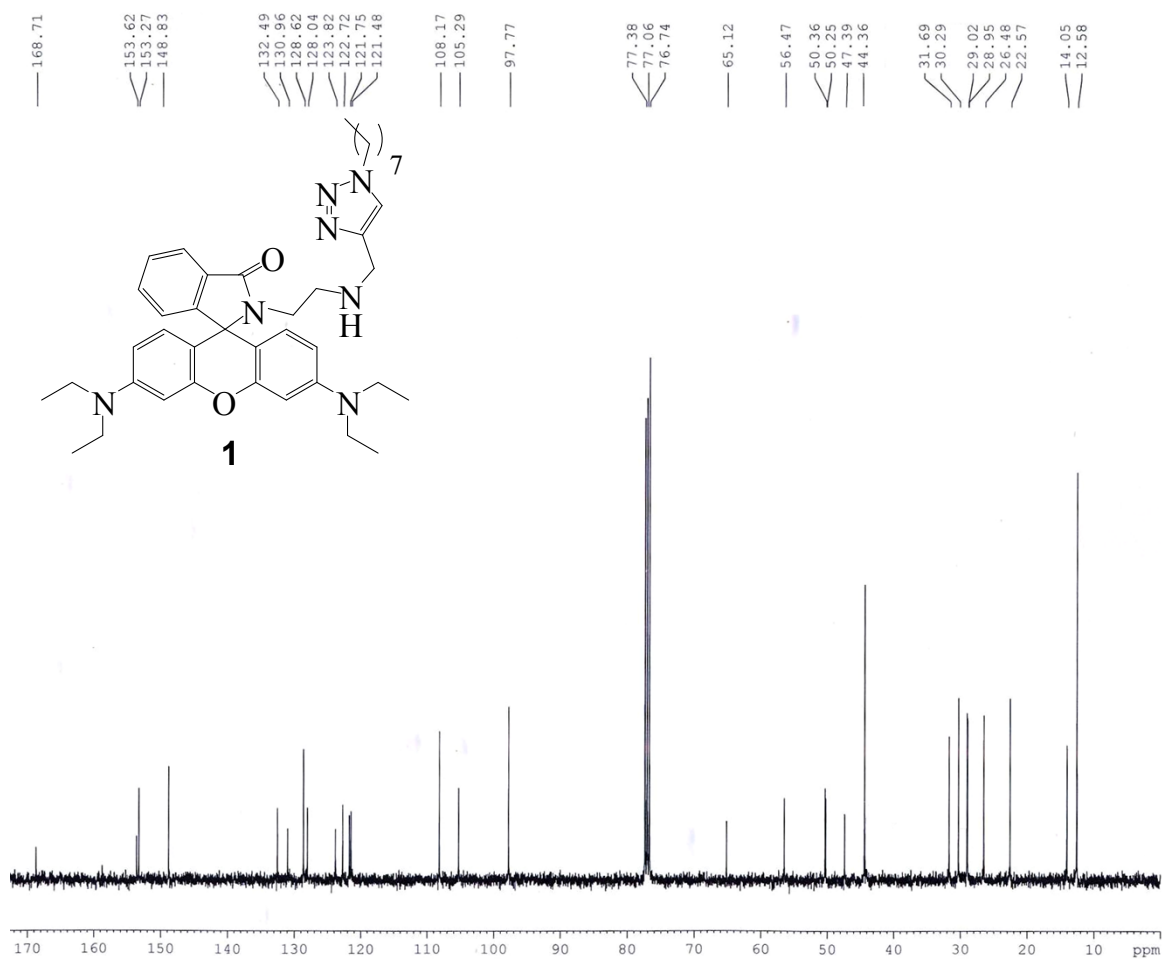
¹H NMR of **3** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz):



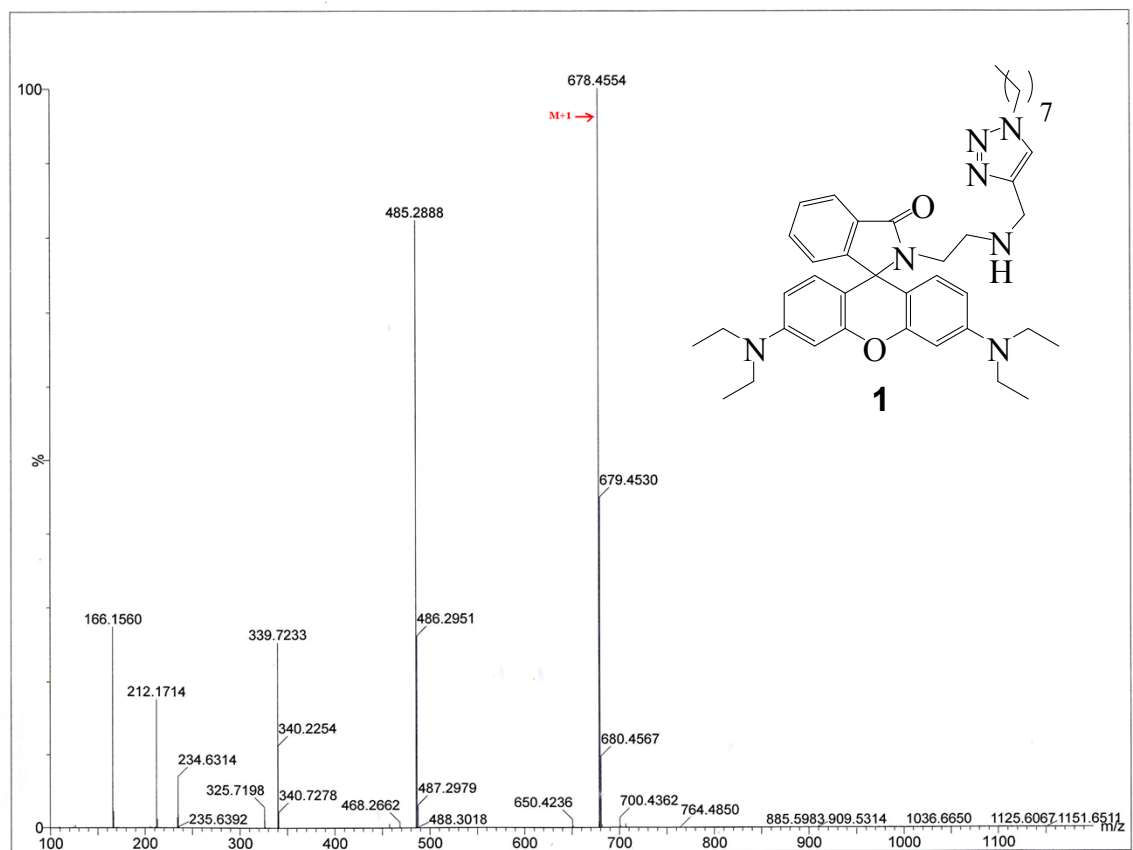
^1H NMR of 1 (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz):



^{13}C NMR of 1 (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz):



Mass of 1:



2. Change in emission of receptor 1 with Zn²⁺, Fe³⁺, Cd²⁺, Co²⁺, Pb²⁺, Mg²⁺, Ni²⁺, Ag⁺ in MeCN/Water (4/1, v/v; 10 μM tris HCl buffer; pH 7).

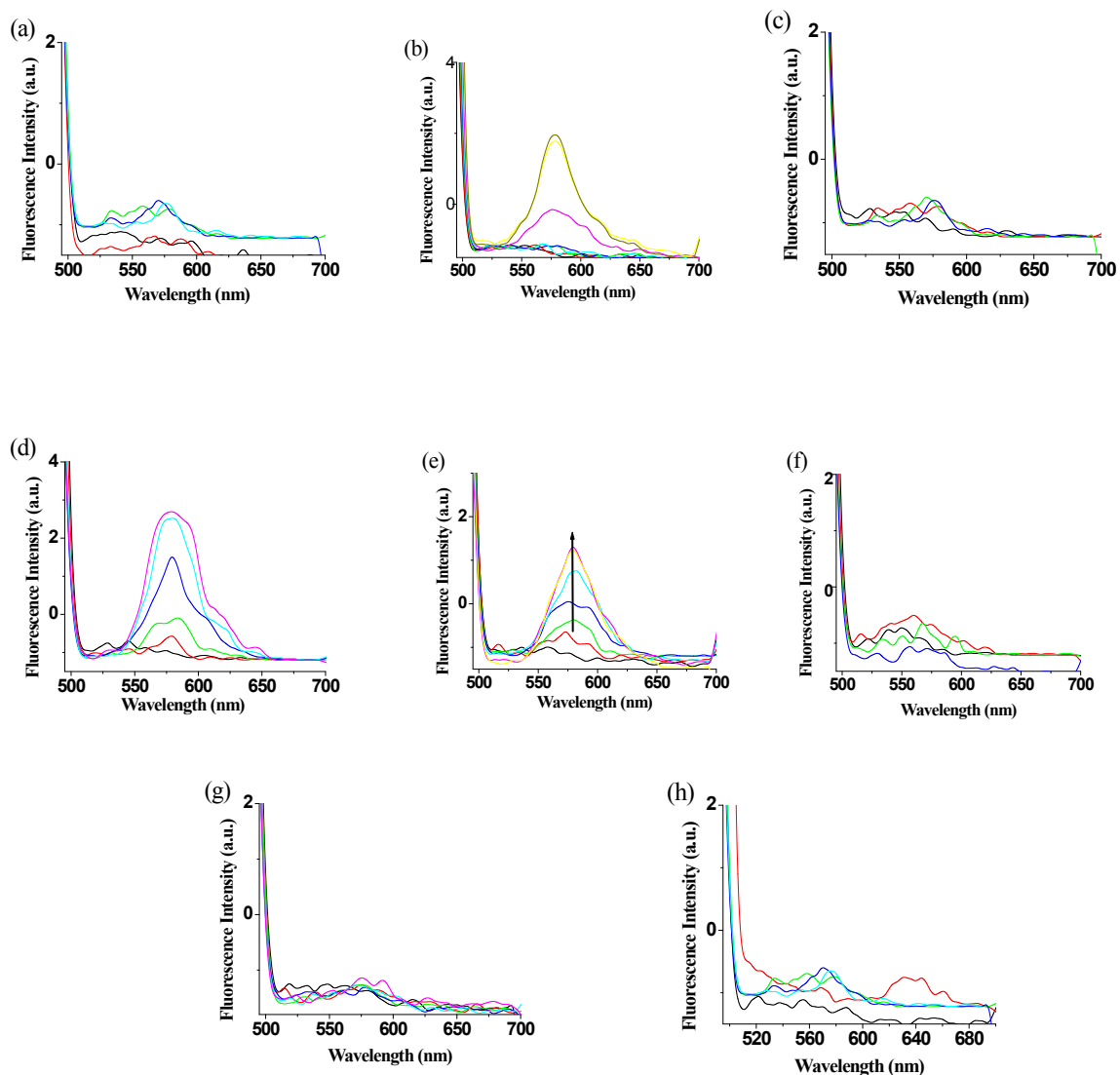


Figure S1. Change in emission of receptor 1 ($c = 2.25 \times 10^{-5}$ M) upon addition of (a) Zn²⁺, (b) Fe³⁺, (c) Cd²⁺, (d) Co²⁺, (e) Cu²⁺, (f) Mg²⁺, (g) Ni²⁺, (h) Ag⁺ in MeCN/Water (4/1, v/v; 10 μM tris HCl buffer; pH = 7) (in all cases [cation] 4.5×10^{-4} M) [$\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 490$ nm].

3. Change in absorbance of receptor 1 with various metal ions in MeCN/water (4/1, v/v; 10 μ M tris HCl buffer; pH = 7)

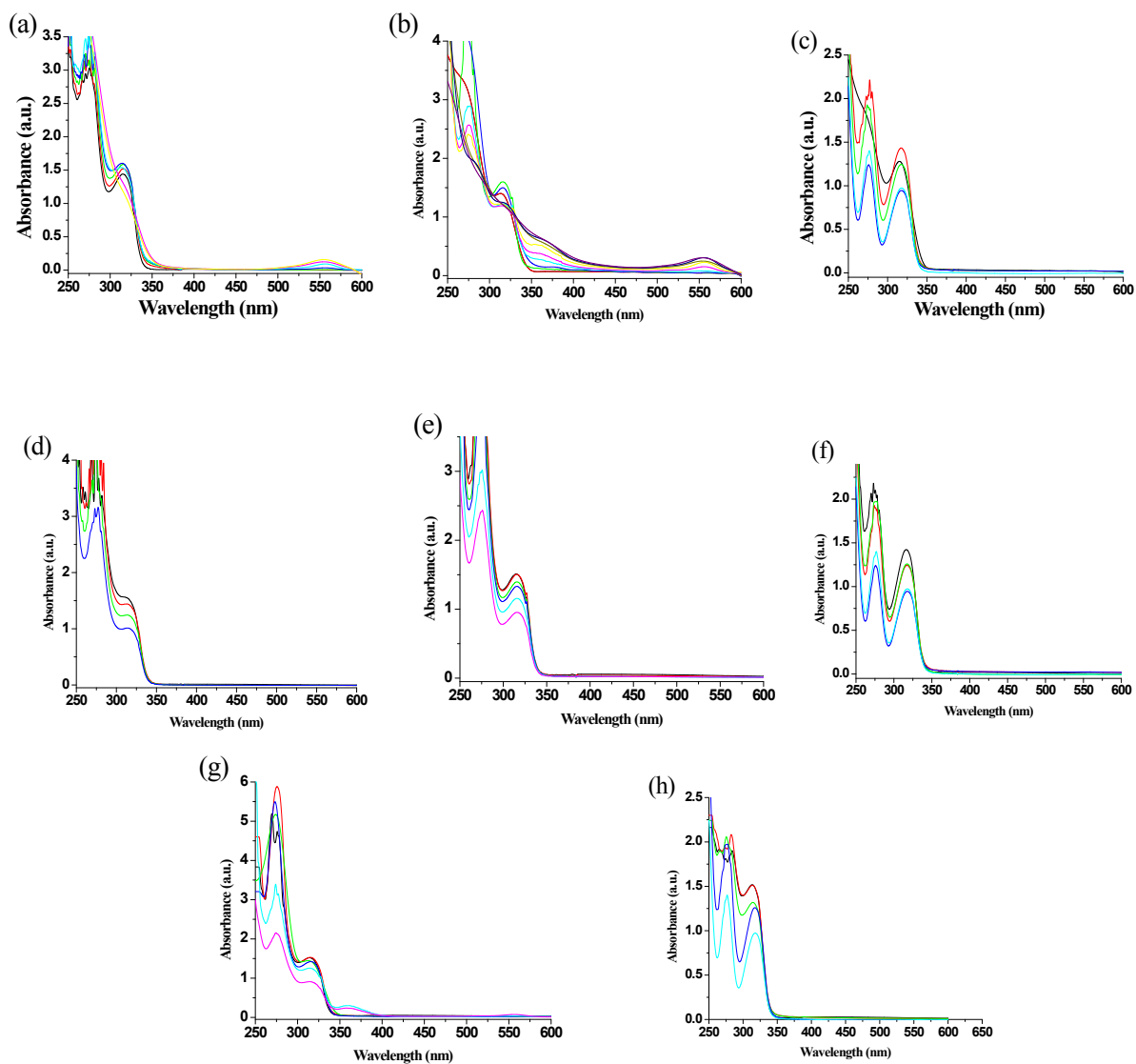


Figure S2. Absorption titration spectra for **1** ($c = 2.25 \times 10^{-5}$ M) with (a) Cu^{2+} , (b) Fe^{3+} , (c) Zn^{2+} , (d) Cd^{2+} , (e) Mg^{2+} , (f) Ni^{2+} , (g) Co^{2+} and (h) Ag^{+} in MeCN/water (4/1, v/v; 10 μ M tris HCl buffer; pH = 7) (in all cases $[\text{cation}] = 4.5 \times 10^{-4}$ M).

4. ^1H NMR study, UV and Fluorescence Job plots for **1** with Hg^{2+} and Pb^{2+} measured at 556 nm.

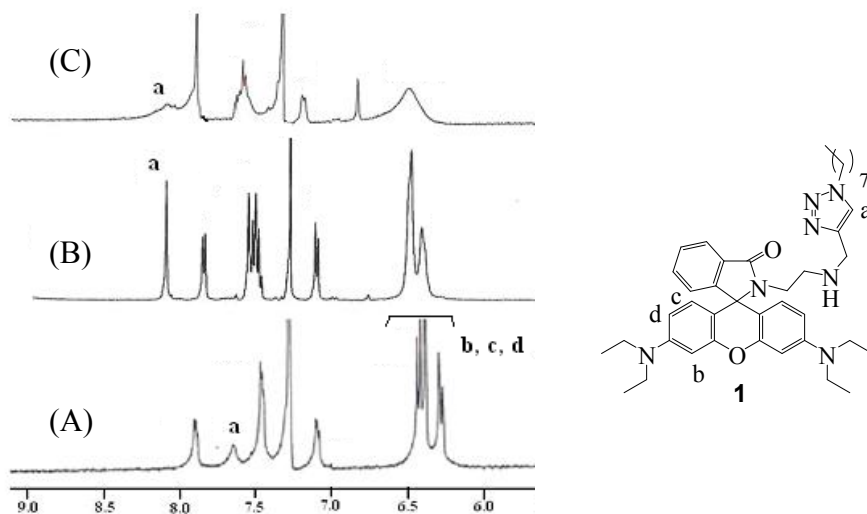


Figure S3a. Partial ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of (A) **1** (5.21×10^{-3} M); (B) with 1 equiv. amount of $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ and (c) with 1 equiv. $\text{Hg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$.

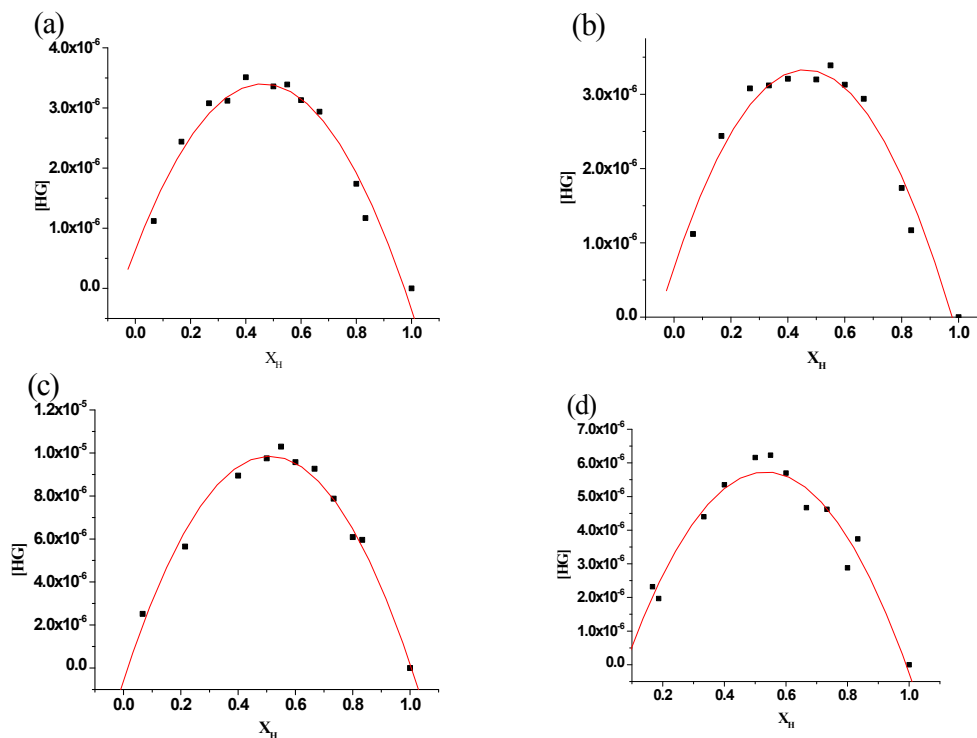


Figure S3b. Fluorescence Job plots for **1** with (a) Hg^{2+} ; (b) Pb^{2+} ; UV Job plots for **1** with (c) Hg^{2+} , (d) Pb^{2+} in MeCN/Water (4/1, v/v; 10 μM tris HCl buffer; pH = 7) ($[\text{H}] = [\text{G}] = 4.5 \times 10^{-5}$ M).

5. Change in fluorescence spectra of (a) 1- Hg^{2+} , (b) 1- Pb^{2+} complex upon addition of KI

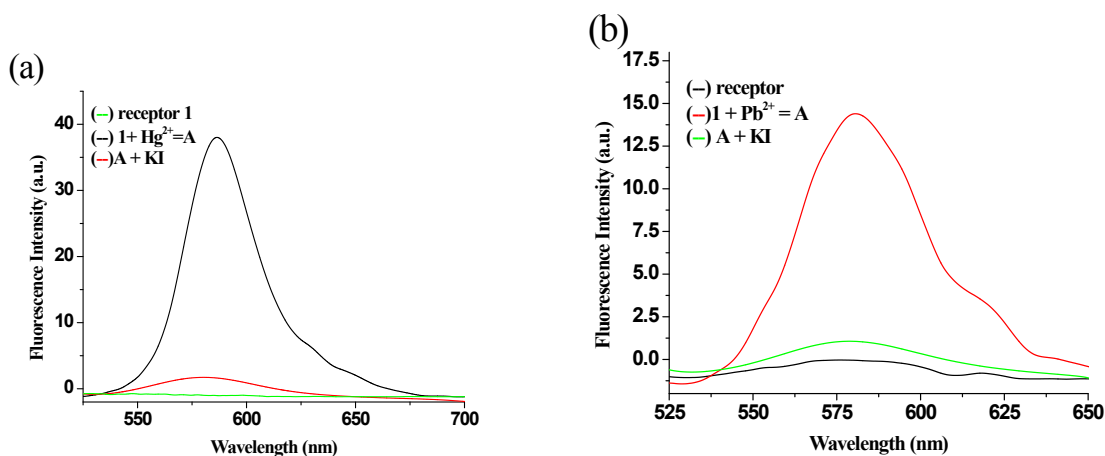


Figure S4: (a) Change in fluorescence spectra of (a)1- Hg^{2+} , (b) 1- Pb^{2+} complex ($c = 4.1 \times 10^{-5}$ M) in MeCN/Water (4/1, v/v) 10 μM tris HCl buffer (pH 7) upon addition of (a) KI ($c = 2.1 \times 10^{-3}$ M).

6. Colorimetric change of 1 with Pb^{2+} :

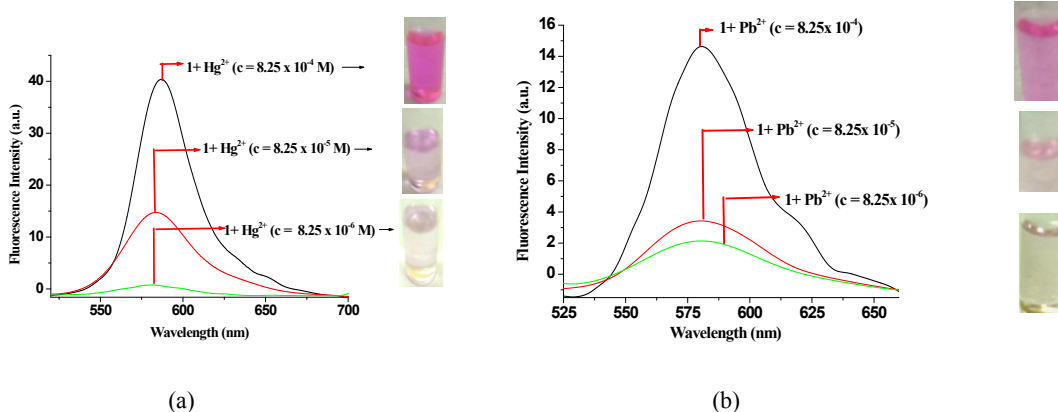


Figure S5: Change in fluorescence spectra of 1 ($c = 2.25 \times 10^{-5}$ M) in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{water}$ (4/1, v/v; 10 μM tris HCl buffer, pH = 7.0) upon addition of (a) Hg^{2+} and (b) Pb^{2+} of different concentrations.

7. MTT assay.

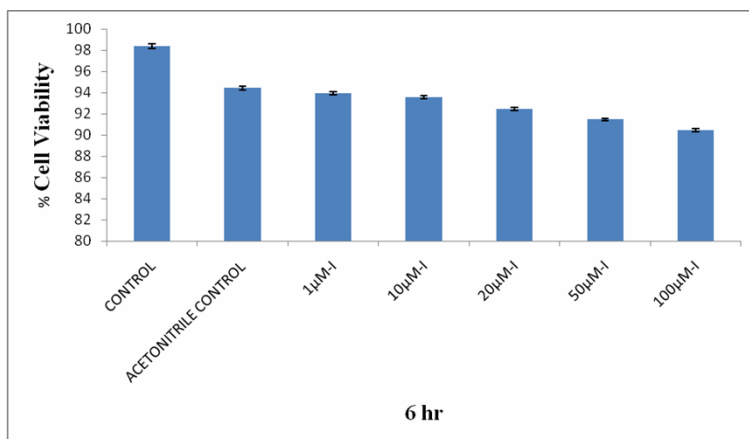


Figure S6. Cell viability of HeLa cells treated with different concentrations (1 μ M-100 μ M) of chemosensor **1** for six hrs determined by MTT assay.

8. FTIR spectra of **1**, Merrifield resin and **2**:

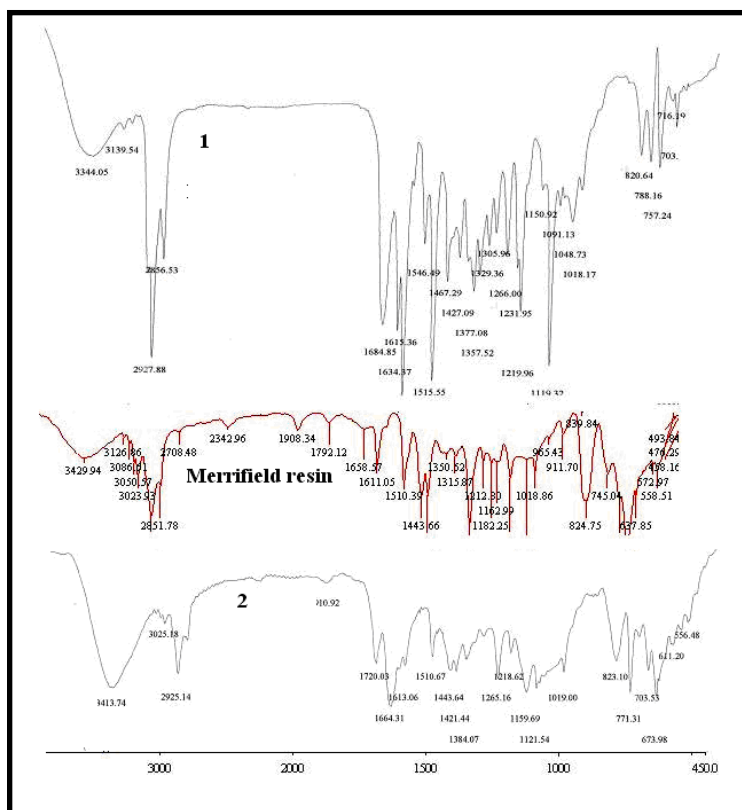


Figure S7. FTIR spectra of **1**, Merrifield resin and **2**.

9. FTIR spectra of 2, 2- Hg^{2+} and 2- Pb^{2+} complex:

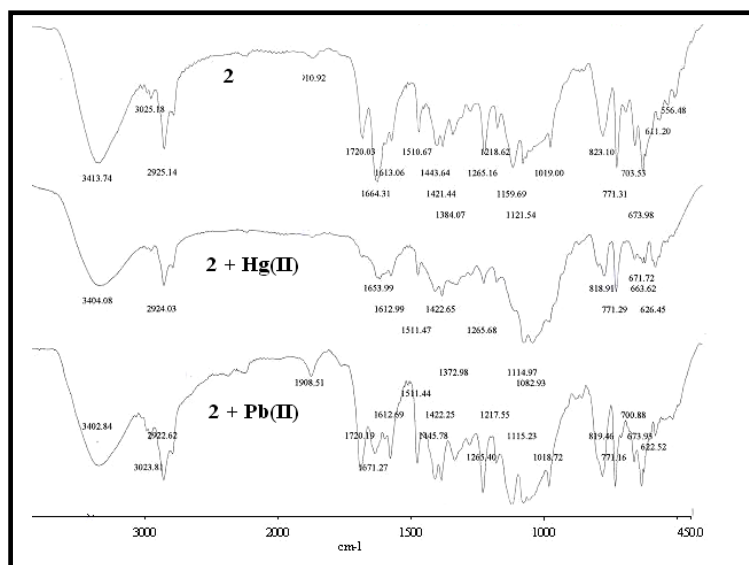


Figure S8. FTIR spectra of **2** and 2- Hg^{2+} , 2- Pb^{2+} complexes.

10. Reuse study:

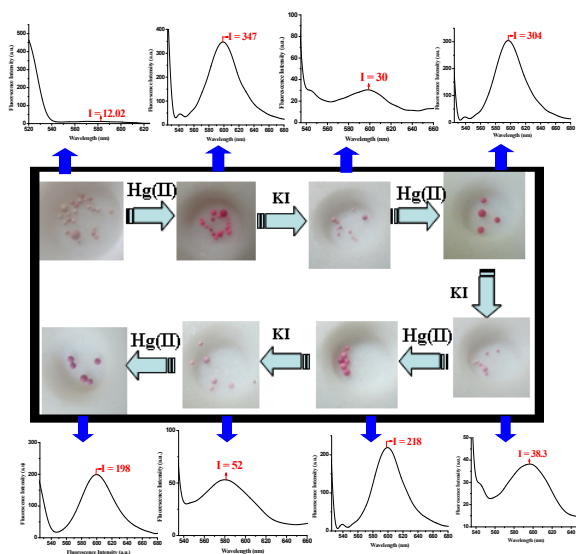


Figure S9. Reuse study of **2** for Hg^{2+} ions.