

Supporting Information

A remarkable ratiometric fluorescent chemodosimeter for very rapid detection of hydrogen sulfide in vapor phase and living cells

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1. Bar Diagram of BHD towards other nucleophiles in UV-vis and fluorescence titration method

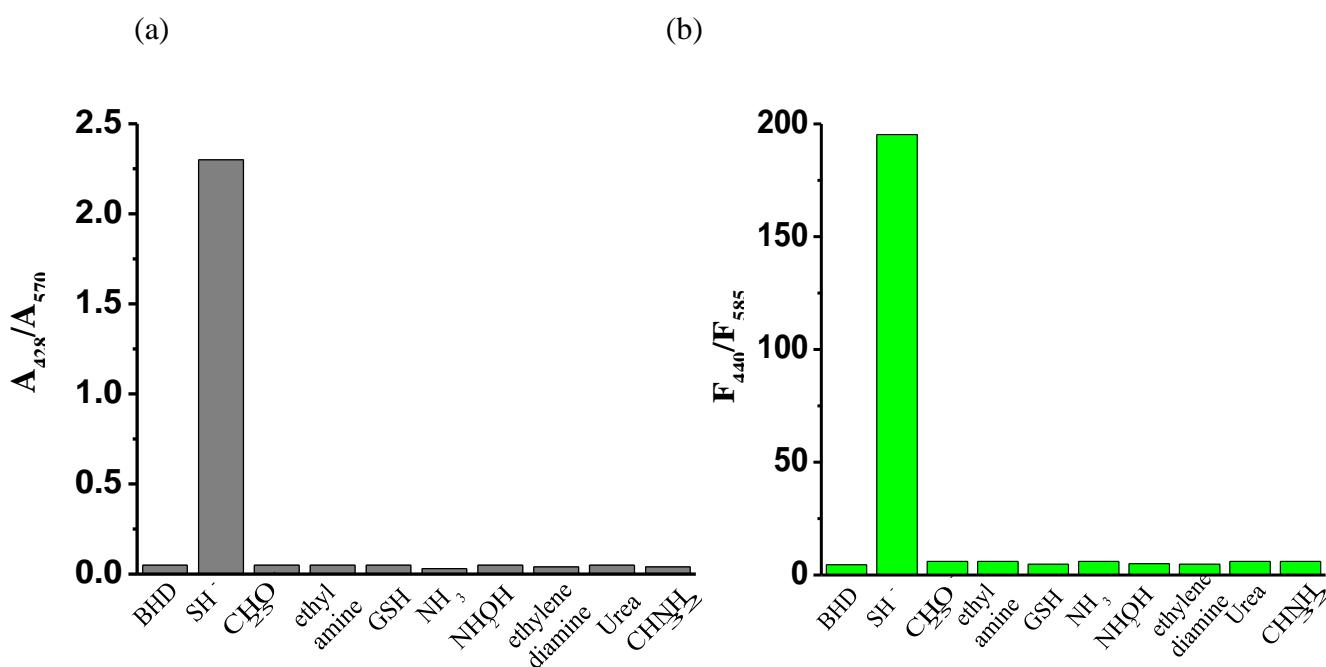


Figure S1: (a) Relative absorbance of the BHD in presence of other nucleophiles (b) Bar chart illustrating fluorescence response of free ligand and one equivalent of other nucleophiles in CH₃CN-H₂O (4:6, v/v, 25 °C) at 413 nm.

2. Calculation of the detection limit:

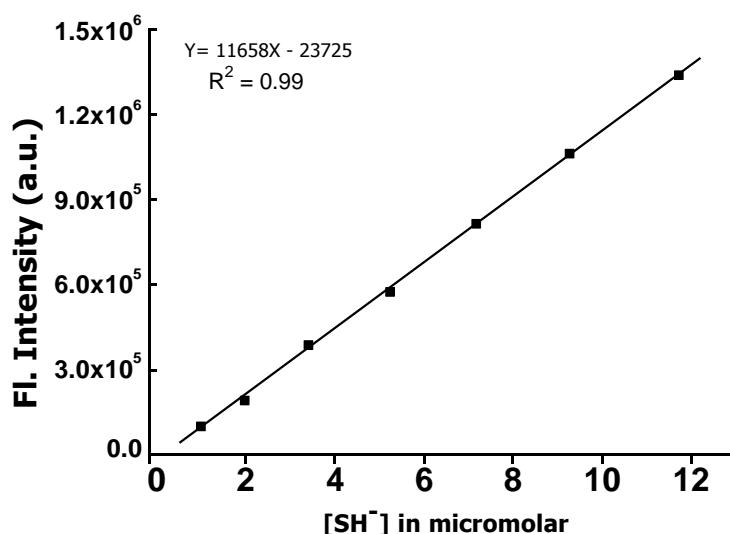


Figure S2: Fluorescence change of BHD upon gradual addition of SH⁻.

The detection limit DL of **BHD** for HS^- was determined from the following equation¹:

$$\text{DL} = K * \text{Sb1/S}$$

Where $K = 2$ or 3 (we take 2 in this case); Sb1 is the standard deviation of the blank solution; S is the slope of the calibration curve.

From the graph we get slope = 11658 , and Sb1 value is 11976.67 .

Thus using the formula we get the Detection Limit = $2.054 \mu\text{M}$ i.e. BHD can detect HS^- in this minimum concentration.

3. Cell viability assay:

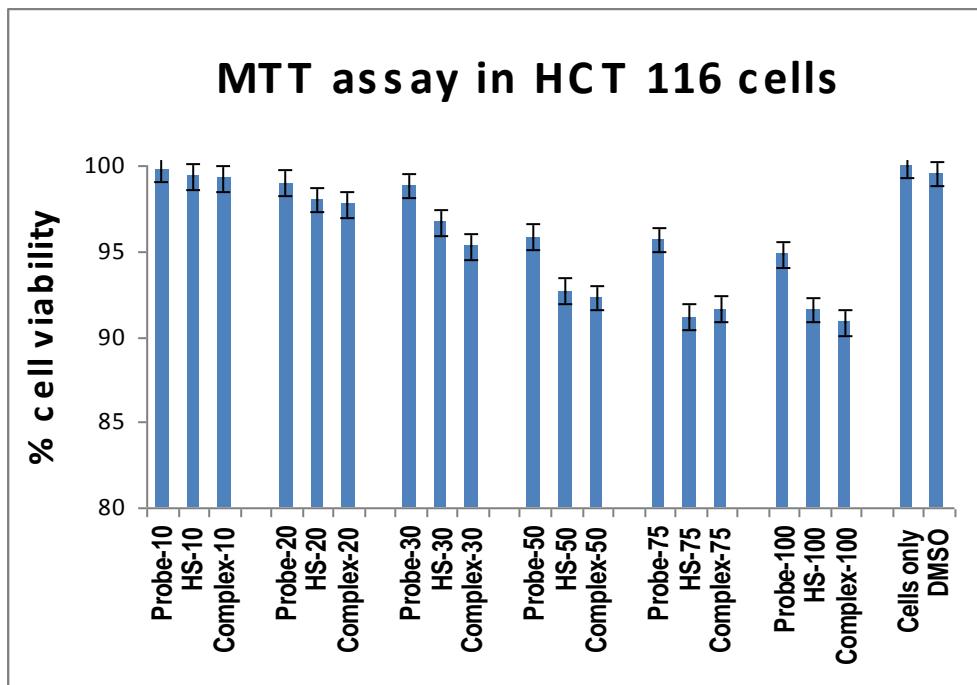


Figure S3: It represents % cell viability of HCT cells treated with various concentrations ($10 \mu\text{M}$ - $70 \mu\text{M}$) of BHD for 12 h determined by MTT assay. Results are expressed as mean of three independent experiments

4. Fluorescence titration of BHD in presence of SH⁻ in 100% aqueous solution :

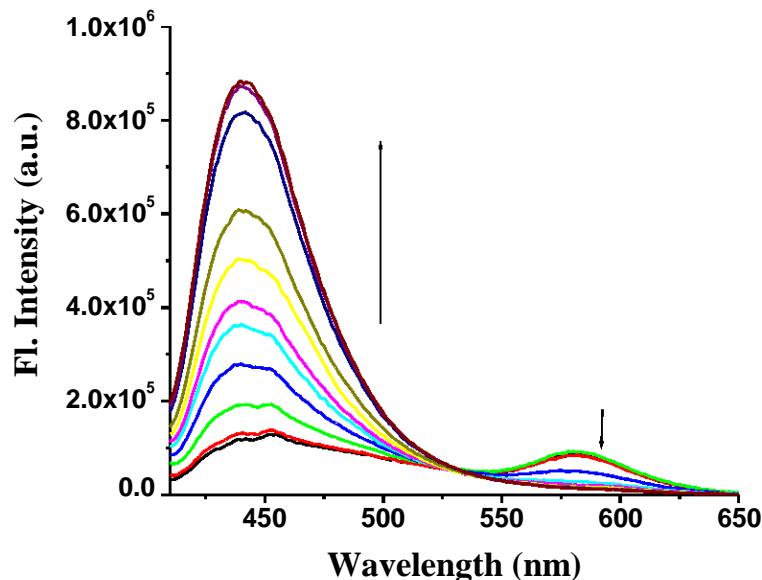
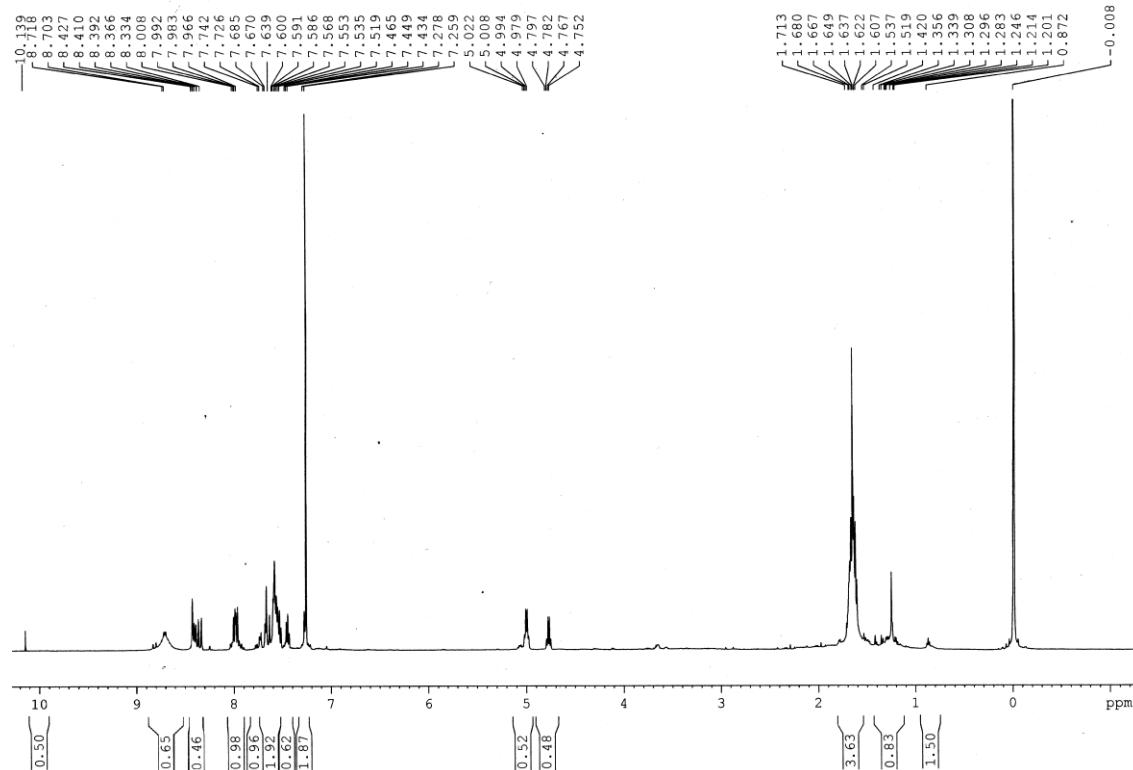


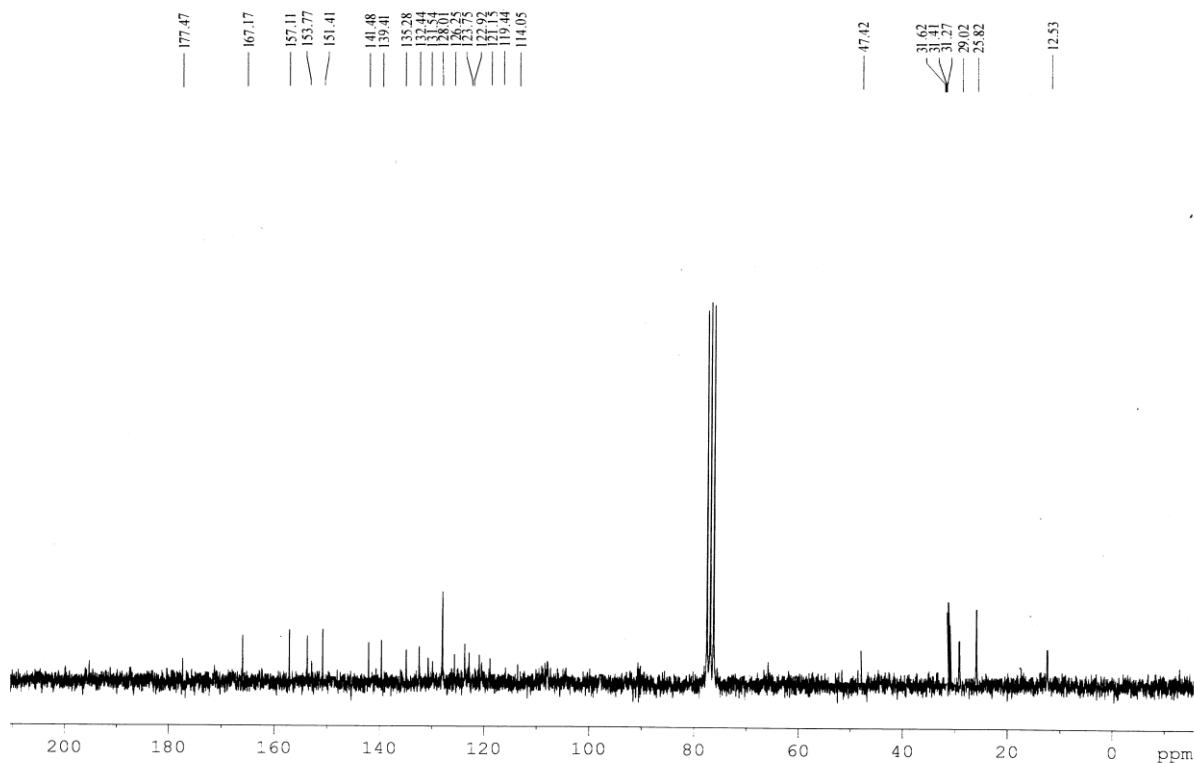
Figure S4: Fluorescence spectra of BHD upon addition of SH⁻ in water

5. ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and HRMS spectra of BHD and BHD-SH adduct:

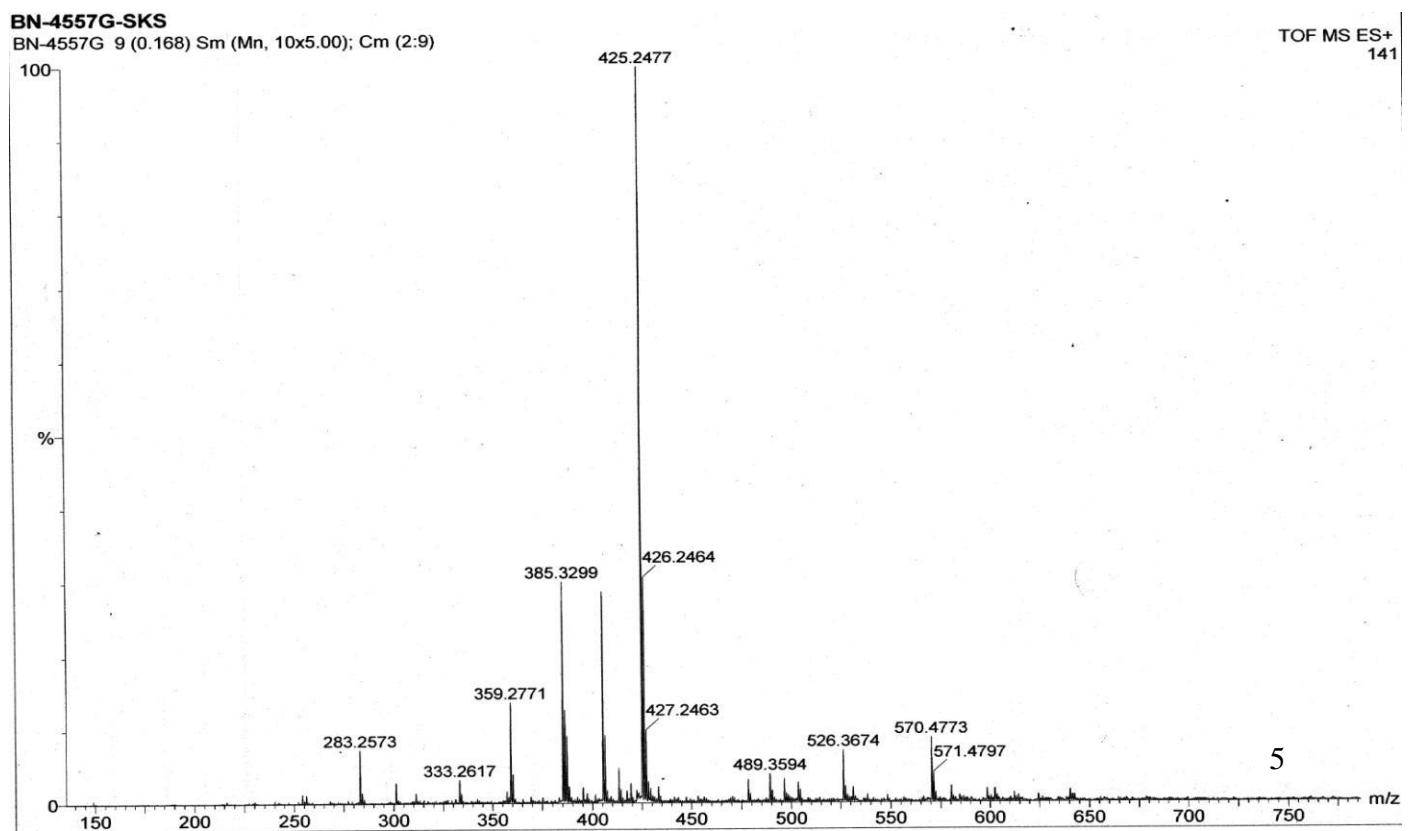
¹H NMR spectrum of Receptor i.e. BHD:



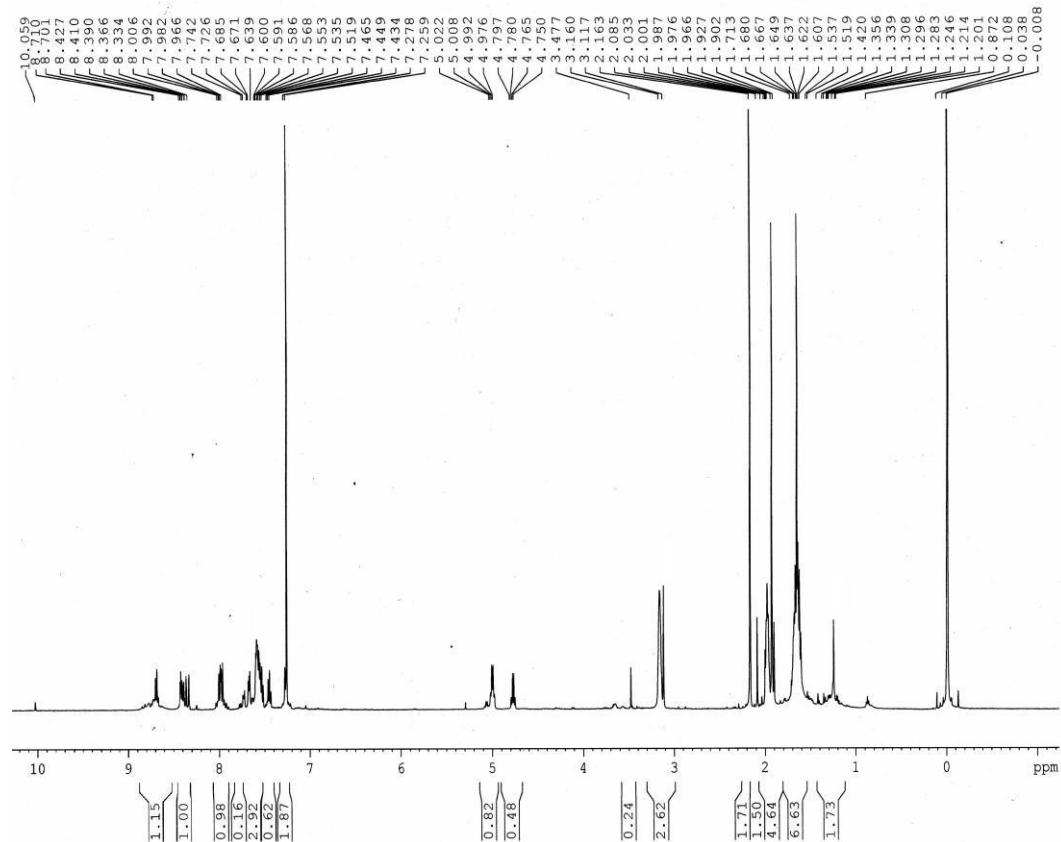
¹³CNMR spectrum of BHD:



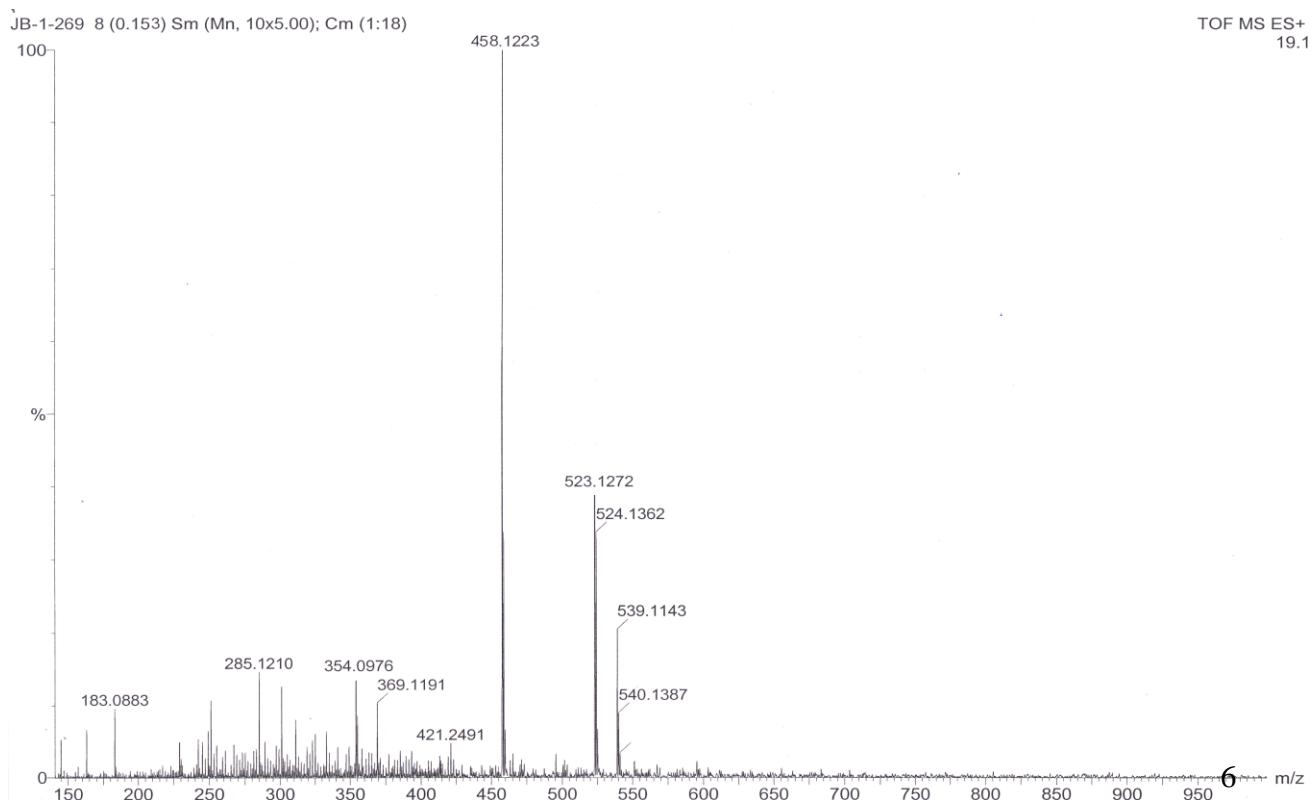
HR MS Mass Spectra of BHD:



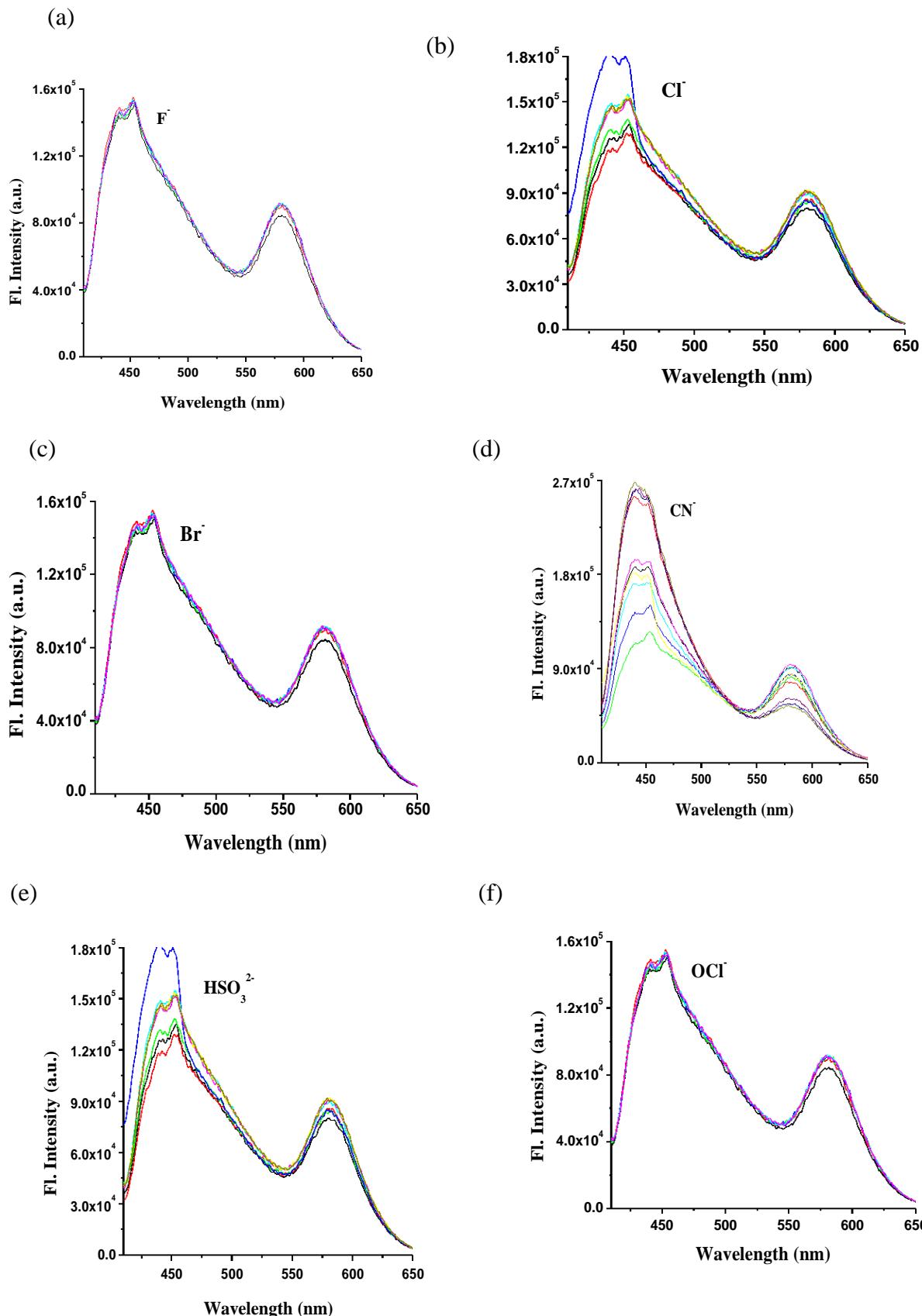
¹H NMR spectrum of BHD-SH adduct:

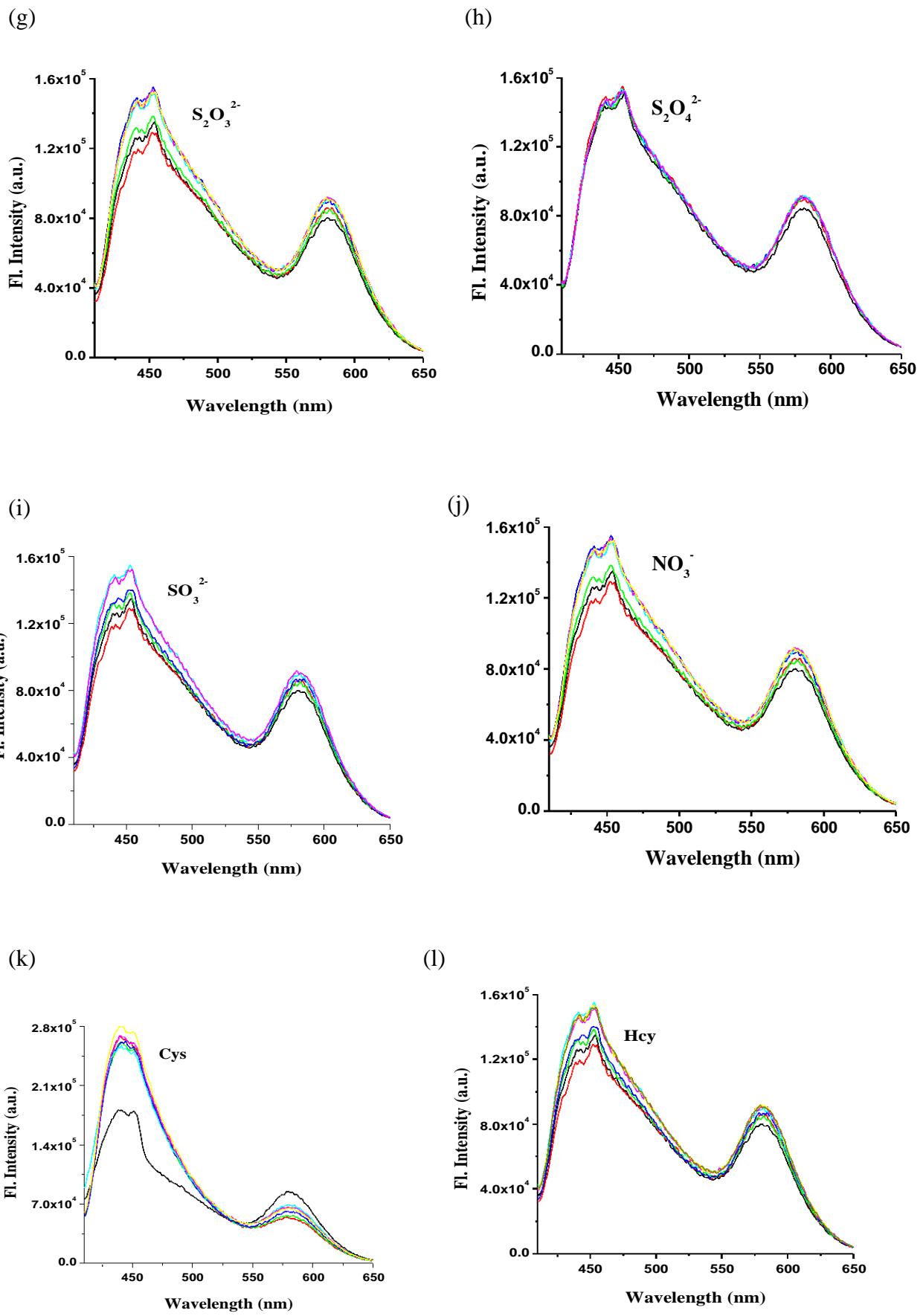


HR MS Spectra of BHD-SH adduct:



6. Fluorescence emission spectra of BHD with different anions and thiols F^- , Cl^- , Br^- , CN^- , HSO_3^- , OCl^- , $S_2O_3^{2-}$, $S_2O_4^{2-}$, SO_3^{2-} , NO_3^- , H_2O_2 , Cys, HCy. The solutions of anions and thiols were prepared F^- , Cl^- , Br^- as their tetra butyl salt, KCN, NaHSO₃, NaOCl, NaS₂O₃, NaS₂O₄, Na₂SO₃, and KNO₃ respectively in CH₃CN-H₂O)





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