## Fluorescence sensing and intracellular imaging of Al<sup>3+</sup> ions by using naphthalene based sulfonamide chemosensor : structure, computation and biological studies

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Scheme S1: Syenthesis of HL and its Al complex.



Fig. S1. MS spectrum of HL.



Fig. S2. IR spectrum of HL



Fig. S3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of HL in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>.



Fig. S4. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of HL in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>.



Fig. S5. MS spectrum of  $[L-Al(OH)(H_2O)_2]^+$ 



Fig. S6. IR spectrum of  $Al^{3+}$  complex of HL



Fig. S7. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[L-Al(OH)(H_2O)_2]^+$  in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.



**Fig. S8.** Bright yellow color of HL disappears in presence of  $Al^{3+}$  but persists in presence all other metals.



**Fig. S9.** Benesi-Hildebrand plot of HL vs Al<sup>3+</sup> titration by UV-Vis absorption spectroscopy.



**Fig. S10.** Determination of LOD of  $Al^{3+}$  by HL at pH 7.4 (HEPES buffer) using  $3\sigma$  method.



Fig. S11. Job's plot for the reaction between HL and  $Al^{3+}$  in methanol-water (1:5, v/v)



**Fig.S12:** Effect of chelating agents such as  $Na_2EDTA$ , oxalate, citrate, acetate on L-Al<sup>2+</sup> stability by absorption technique



Fig.S13: Effect of chelating agents such as  $Na_2EDTA$ , oxalate, citrate, acetate on L-Al<sup>2+</sup> stability

by fluorescence technique



Fig. S14. Energy of some selected frontier molecular orbitals of HL.



Fig. S1. Energy of some selected frontier molecular orbitals of [L-Al(OH)(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>

Table	<b>S1</b> .	Hydrogen	Bonds	(Å, °	) for HL
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D–HA	D-H	НА	DA	∠D–HA	Su=ymmetry
N2 H1N2 O4	0.79(4)	2.03(4)	2.791(5)	164(3)	-x,-y,-z
O4 H1O4 N3	0.90(5)	1.71(6)	2.538(3)	152(8)	
C3 H3 O3	0.9300	2.5200	3.012(5)	113.00	
C10 H10 O3	0.9300	2.5500	2.925(4)	104.00	
C10 H10 O3	0.9300	2.5100	3.372(5)	155.00	-x,-y,1-z
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**Table S2.** Life time data of L and L-Al<sup>2+</sup> complex

Compounds	τ1	τ2	ταν	K <sub>r</sub>	K <sub>nr</sub>
L	2.35x10 <sup>-9</sup>	5.07x10 <sup>-11</sup>	5.15x10 <sup>-11</sup>	11.06X10 <sup>16</sup>	19.28x10 <sup>18</sup>
L+A1 <sup>3+</sup>	8.68x10 <sup>-10</sup>	2.41x10 <sup>-9</sup>	9.0x10 <sup>-10</sup>	15.2x10 <sup>16</sup>	95.76x10 <sup>16</sup>

Bond length(Å)							
Al(1)-N(3)	1.946	Al(1)-O(6)	1.746				
Al(1)-O(4)	1.790	Al(1)-O(7)	1.984				
Al(1)-O(5)	2.046	N(3)-C(11)	1.333				
	Bond angle(°)						
N(3)-Al(1)-O(4)	92.02	O(5)-Al(1)-O(6)	80.74				
N(3)-Al(1)-O(5)	97.48	O(5)-Al(1)-O(4)	160.98				
N(3)-Al(1)-O(7)	116.92	O(6)-Al(1)-O(7)	116.28				
N(3)-Al(1)-O(6)	126.10	O(6)-Al(1)-O(4)	107.09				
O(5)-Al(1)-O(7)	78.32	O(4)-Al(1)-O(7)	82.68				

**Table S3**. Selected geometrical parameter (calculated) of L-Al<sup>2+</sup> in the ground state

Bond length(Å)							
Free ligand(L) Complex (Al <sup>3+</sup> -L)							
C(8)-N(3)	1.408	1.437					
C(11)-N(3)	1.316	1.333					
C(11)-C(12)	1.435	1.409					
C(12)-C(13)	1.420	1.427					
C(13)-C(14)	1.419	1.420					
C(13)-O(4)	1.352	1.370					

**Table S4**. Change in bond length (calculated) in  $(Al-L^{2+})$  compared to free ligand (HL)

**Table S5**. Calculated transitions and their assignment for ligand (HL) and Al<sup>3+</sup>-complex

Ligand	Experimental	Theoretical	Electronic Transition	Character
/Complex	$[\lambda_{exp}(nm)]$	$[\lambda_{theo} (nm)]$		
Ligand	442	410	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1[HOMO \rightarrow LUMO(99\%)]$	ILCT
Ligand	370	343	$S_0 \rightarrow S_3[HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO(93\%)]$	ILCT
Ligand	314	277	$S_0 \rightarrow S_{11}$ [HOMO-5 $\rightarrow$ LUMO(35%), HOMO- 3 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(33%)]	ILCT
Ligand	259	242	$S_0 \rightarrow S_{20}$ [HOMO-7 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(35%), HOMO- 7 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1(24%), HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2( 20%)]	ILCT
Complex	370	380	$S_0 \rightarrow S_1[HOMO \rightarrow LUMO(98\%)]$	ILCT
Complex	315	285	$S_0 \rightarrow S_4$ [HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO(85%)]	ILCT
Complex	267	250	$S_0 \rightarrow S_{13}[HOMO-2 \rightarrow LUMO+1(48\%),$ $HOMO-1 \rightarrow LUMO+2(31\%)]$	ILCT

Compd	Molecular Weight	ADMET Solubility (aqueous)	ADMET solubility level	ADMET absorption level <sup>≠</sup>	ADMET Log P	Molecular polar surface area	No of H- bond acceptor	No. of H- bond donor	Lipniski's filter	Drug likeness inference	Ames Prediction
HL	407.4	-5.166	2	0 (good)	3.719	0.295	5	2	yes	yes	non- mutagen

Table S6. ADMET (Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, Excretion, Toxicity) prediction data

## **Table S7**. Antimicrobial results (MIC) by agar dilution method

Compounds	MIC in µg/ml							
	Gram positive			Gra				
HL	S.AureusATCC21 737	<i>Enterococc</i> <i>us</i> <i>facelis</i> ATC C 29212	E.Coli	<i>S.Typhi</i> MTC C734	Sh dysenteriae 5168	Sh. flexneri7130	<i>K. pneumonia</i> ATCC 714	
	64	nd†	nd†	32	64	nd	64	

<sup>†</sup>nd: not detected

## **Table S8**. Docking score of HL with DHPS protein (downloaded from PDB)

Compound	CDOCKER energy	CDOCKER interaction energy	Protein energy (Kcal/mol)	Complex energy (Kcal/mol)	Binding energy (Kcal/mol)
DHPS@HL	-13.94	-40.6	-22,831	-22859	-53.7