Supplementary Information

for

Highly sensitive and selective detection of Pd²⁺ ions using a triple channel receptor of ferrocene-rhodamine conjugate in aqueous medium and living cells

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Fig. S1 UV-vis absorbance spectrum of FR (10 μ M) in H₂O/THF (9:1, v/v) at room temperature.



Fig. S2 Time course of the response of FR (10 μ M) to 2 equiv of Pd²⁺ in H₂O/THF (9:1, v/v) solution.

Probe	Medium	Detection limit	Ref.
	EtOH : $H_2O = 1 : 99$	$1.3 \times 10^{-7} \mathrm{M}$	1
	DMF : H ₂ O = 1 : 99	$3 imes 10^{-8} \mathrm{M}$	2
	EtOH : $H_2O = 1 : 1$	$7.38 imes10^{-8}\mathrm{M}$	3
	MeOH : PBS = 1 : 1	$1.9 \times 10^{-7} \mathrm{M}$	4
	HEPES : $CH_3CN = 1 : 1$	0.1 ppm	5
	EtOH : PBS = 3 : 7	$2.13 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{M}$	6
	EtOH : $H_2O = 1 : 1$	$4.5 \times 10^{-7} \mathrm{M}$	7

Table S1 Comparison of FR with some reported Pd^{2+} fluorescent probes.

UV : EtOH :
$$H_2O = 4 : 6$$

Fl: $CH_3CN : H_2O = 8 : 2$
 $2.4 \times 10^{-9} M$
8

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Tris-HCl buffer solution
(pH 7.2)
$$1.5 \times 10^{-8}$$
 M 9

EtOH :
$$CH_3CN = 1 : 1$$
 10⁻⁷ M



EtOH :
$$H_2O = 1 : 1$$
 2.3 × 10⁻⁷ M 11

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 $CH_3CN: H_2O = 4:1$ 5.7 × 10⁻⁸ M 12









EtOH :
$$H_2O = 4:6$$

ROP : $3.49 \times 10^{-6} M$
ROM : $4.64 \times 10^{-6} M$

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Fig. S3 The CV of **FR** (0.7 mM) in H_2O/THF (1:1, v/v) solution using *n*-Bu₄NClO₄ as supporting electrolyte.



Fig. S4 The DPV assay of FcCO₂H, FR, FcCH=CHOCH₃ and FcCHO (0.7 mM) in H₂O/THF (1:1, v/v) solution containing 0.1 M *n*-Bu₄NClO₄ as supporting electrolyte upon the addition of 0 (solid lines) and 1.0 (dotted lines) equiv PdCl₂.



Fig. S5 IR spectra of the probe FR and its corresponding Pd^{2+} complex.

Table S2 Cartesian coordinates (in Å) of the structures of FR and $[FR \cdot PdCl]^+$.

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Fig. S6 A DFT-optimized structure of FR, calculated using the B3LYP/LANL2DZ basis set.



Fig. S7 ¹H NMR spectrum of FR.



Fig. S8 ¹³C NMR spectrum of FR.



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