

*Supporting Information for*

A fast-responsive two-photon fluorescent probe for in  
vivo imaging superoxide radical anion with a large  
stokes shift

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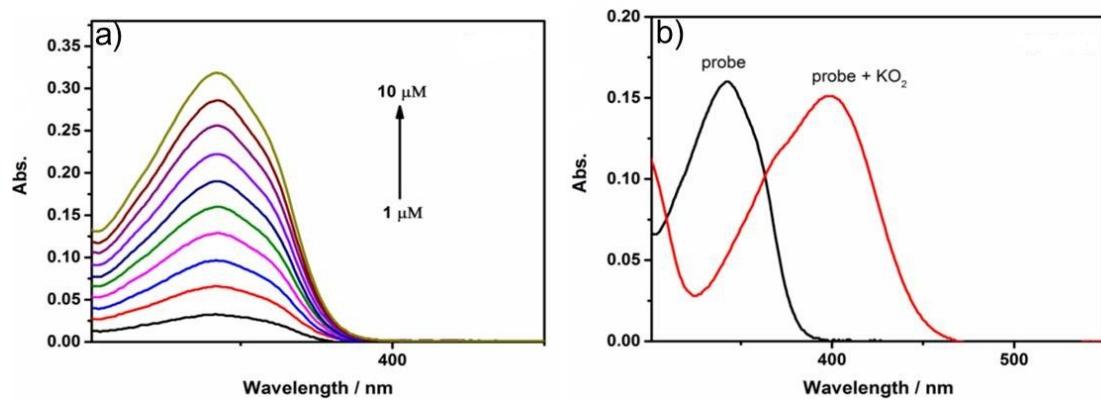
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**Fig. S1.** The absorption spectra of NS-O: a) The absorption spectra of NS-O (5 μM) in pH 7.4 PBS/DMSO (v/v = 1/1) in the absence O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>. b) The absorption spectra of NS-O (5 μM) in pH 7.4 PBS/DMSO (v/v = 1/1) in the absence or presence of O<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> (5 equiv)

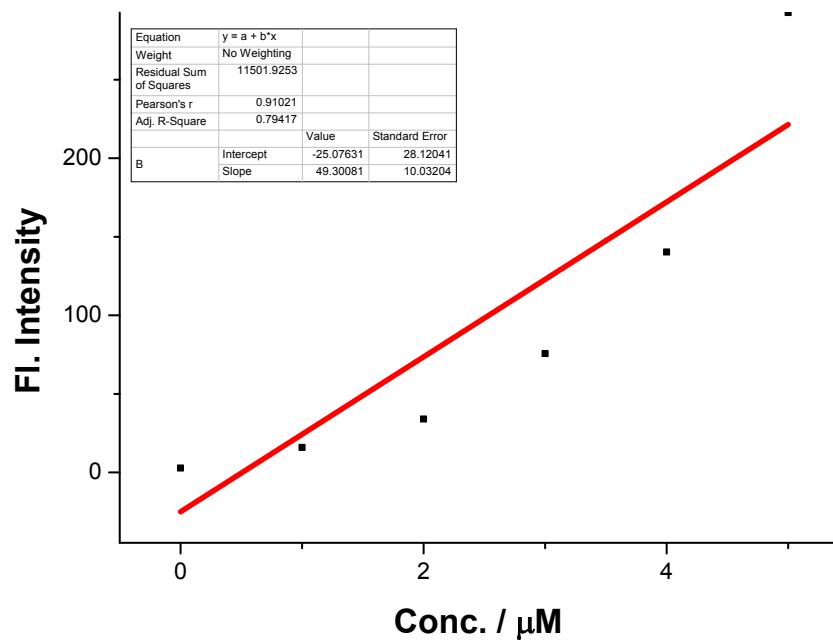
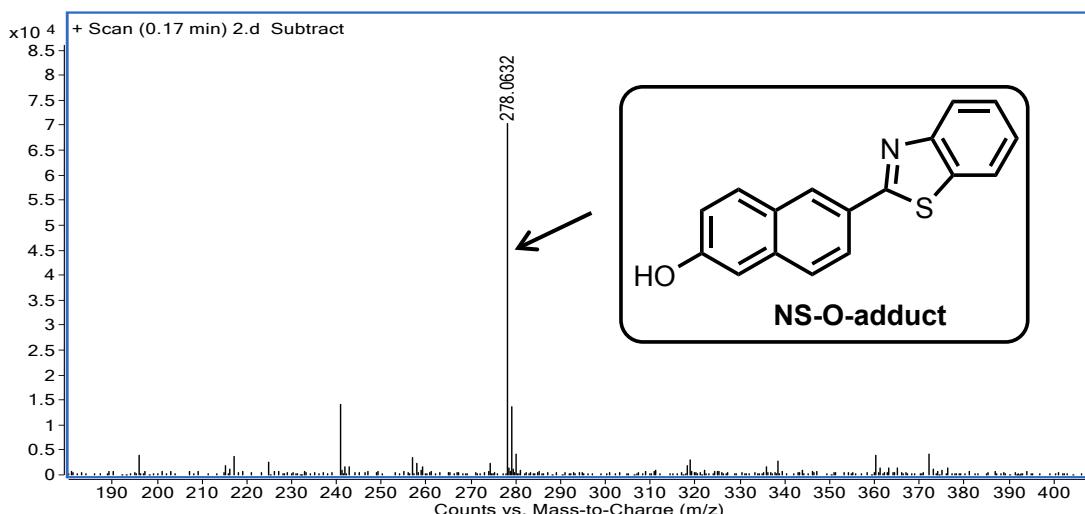
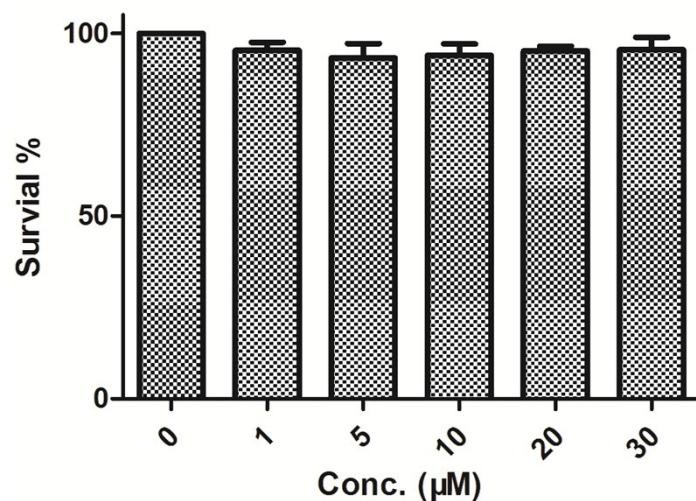


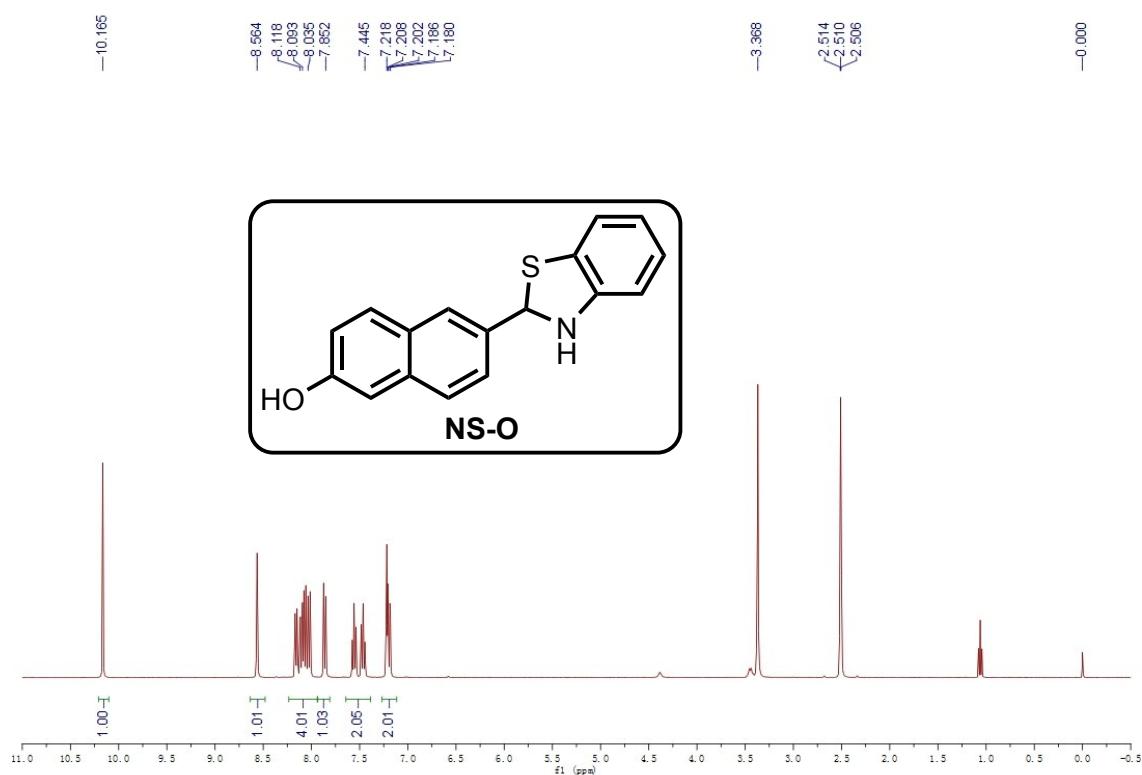
Fig. S2. The linear fit of NS-O (5 μM) in pH 7.4 PBS buffer (50% DMSO) in the absence or presence of KO<sub>2</sub> (0-1.0 equiv).



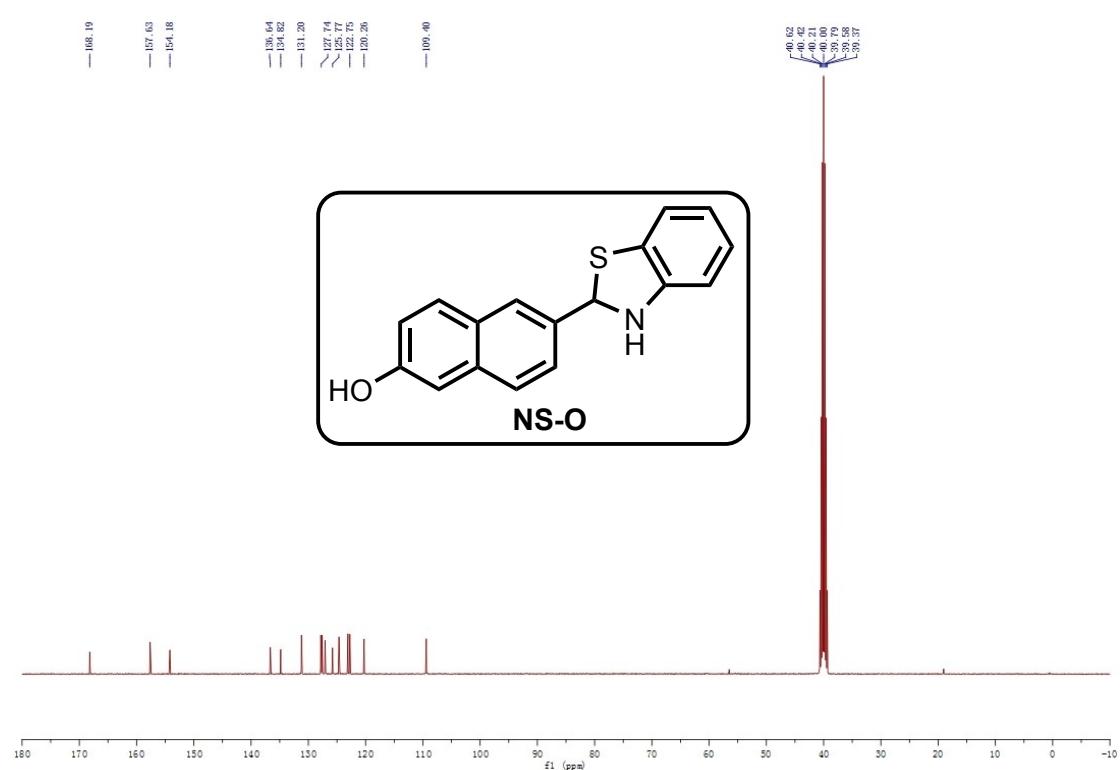
**Fig. S3.** HRMS (positive ion mode) spectrum of **NS-O** (20  $\mu$ M) after treatment with KO<sub>2</sub> (200  $\mu$ M) in pH 7.4 PBS/DMSO (1: 1) for 60 min. The peak at m/z 278.0632 corresponds to **NS-O-adduct**.



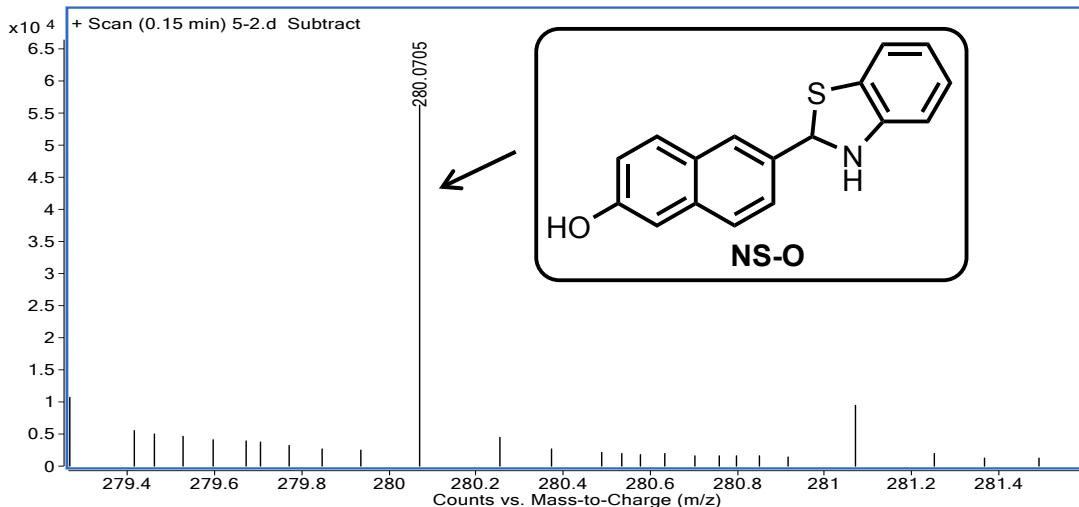
**Fig. S4.** Cytotoxicity assays of **NS-O** at different concentrations (0  $\mu$ M; 1 $\mu$ M; 5  $\mu$ M; 10  $\mu$ M; 20  $\mu$ M; 30  $\mu$ M) for HeLa cells



**Fig. S5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) spectrum of NS-O.

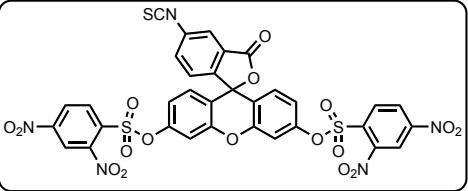
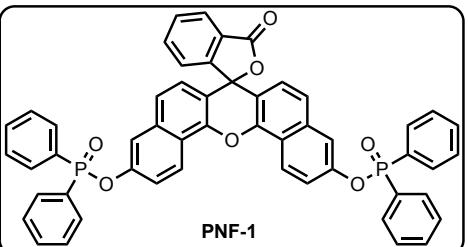
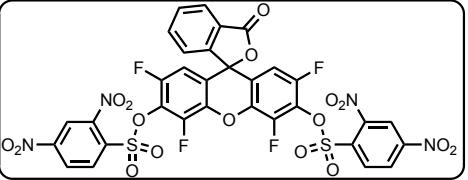
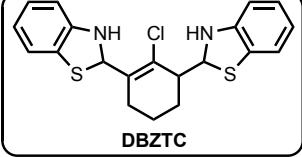
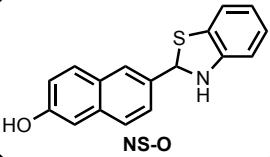


**Fig. S6.** <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) spectrum of NS-O.



**Fig. S7.** HRMS spectrum of the probe NS-O.

Probes	Rf.	Response time	Selectivity and application	Detection limit
	8a	-	Determination of $O_2^-$ in PBS Buffer, Living Cells and mice.	0.21nM for FL and 0.38 nM for CL
	8b	About 3 min	Determination of $O_2^-$ in PBS Buffer, Living Cells , tissues and Zebrafish.	-
	8c	10 min	Determination of $O_2^-$ in HEPES Buffer, Living Cells, Mouse, and Zebrafish.	9.9 nm

	8d	10 min	Determination of O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> in PBS Buffer and Living Cells	-
	8e	10 min	Determination of O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> in HEPS Buffer and Living Cells	9.9 nM
	8f	10 min	Not mentioned	1.0 pM
	8g	10 min	Determination of O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> in HEPS Buffer and Living Cells	1.68 nM
	this work	2 min	Determination of O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> in PBS Buffer, Living Cells, tissues and Zebrafish.	1.71 μM

**Table S1.** Properties of the probe **NS-O** and the reported fluorescent probes.