Electronic Supplementary Information

Several fluorescent probes based on hemicyanine for the

detection of SO₂ derivatives

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Fig. S1 Visual color changes of (a)probe **Hcy-NO**₂, (b)probe **Hcy-CH**₃, (c)probe **Hcy-NH**₂ upon addition of HSO_3^- (0-0.5 mM) in DMSO/PBS solution (v/v = 1/9, pH 7.4).



Fig. S2 (a)Time-dependent fluorescence spectra of probe **Hcy-CH₃** (1×10⁻⁴ M) in DMSO/PBS solution (v/v = 1/9, pH 7.4) with the addition of HSO₃⁻ (0.1 mM) λ_{ex} = 290 nm. (b)Time-dependent fluorescence spectra of probe **Hcy-NH₂** (1×10⁻⁴ M) with the addition of HSO₃⁻ (0.2 mM) λ_{ex} = 300 nm.



Fig. S3 Effect of pH on the fluorescence intensity of (a)probe $Hcy-NO_2$, (b)probe $Hcy-CH_3$, (c)probe $Hcy-NH_2$ in the absence (black line) or presence (red line) of HSO_3^- .



Fig. S4 Fluorescence intensity at 390 nm of probe $Hcy-CH_3$ (a)with different anions and (b)with 1 equiv. HSO_3^- and 10 equiv. competitive anions in DMSO/PBS solution (v/v = 1/9, pH 7.4).



Fig. S5 Fluorescence intensity at 381 nm of probe $Hcy-NH_2$ (a)with different anions and (b)with 2 equiv. HSO_3^- and 10 equiv. competitive anions in DMSO/PBS solution (v/v = 1/9, pH 7.4).













Fig. S10¹³C NMR spectrum of probe Hcy-CH₃ in DMSO-*d*₆.



Fig. S12 ¹H NMR spectrum of probe $Hcy-NH_2$ in DMSO- d_6 .



