

Supporting Information

A Highly Selective and instantaneous responsive Schiff Base Fluorescent Sensor for the “Turn-off” Detection of Iron(III), Iron(II), Copper(II) Ions

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Fig. S1

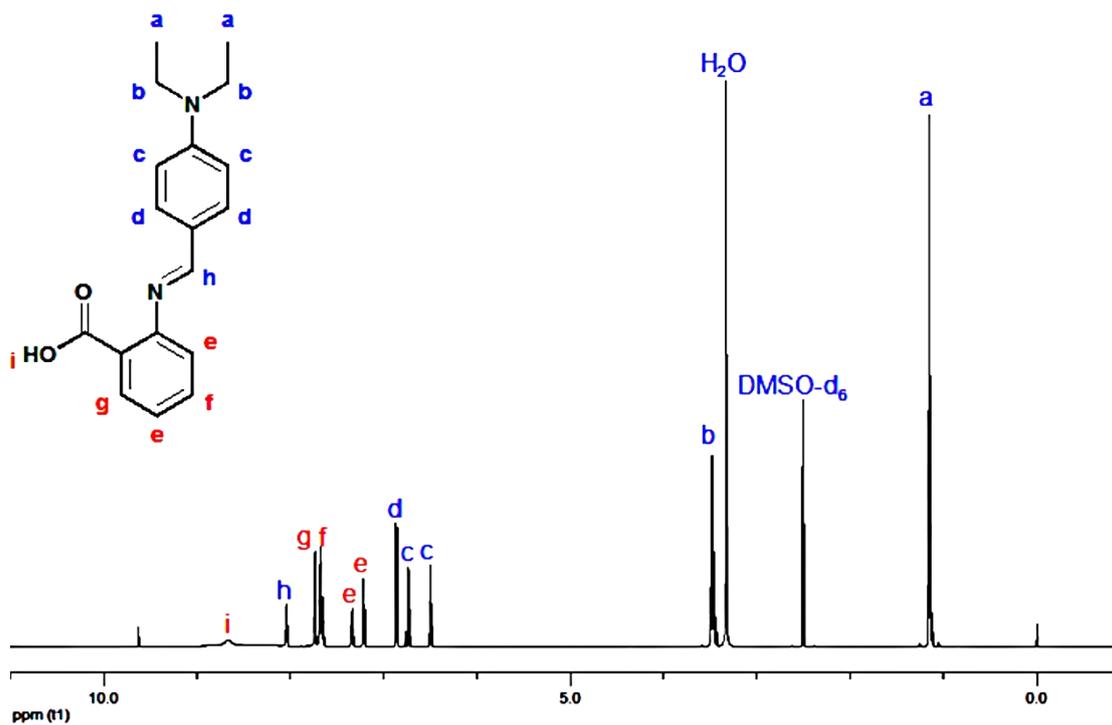


Fig. S2

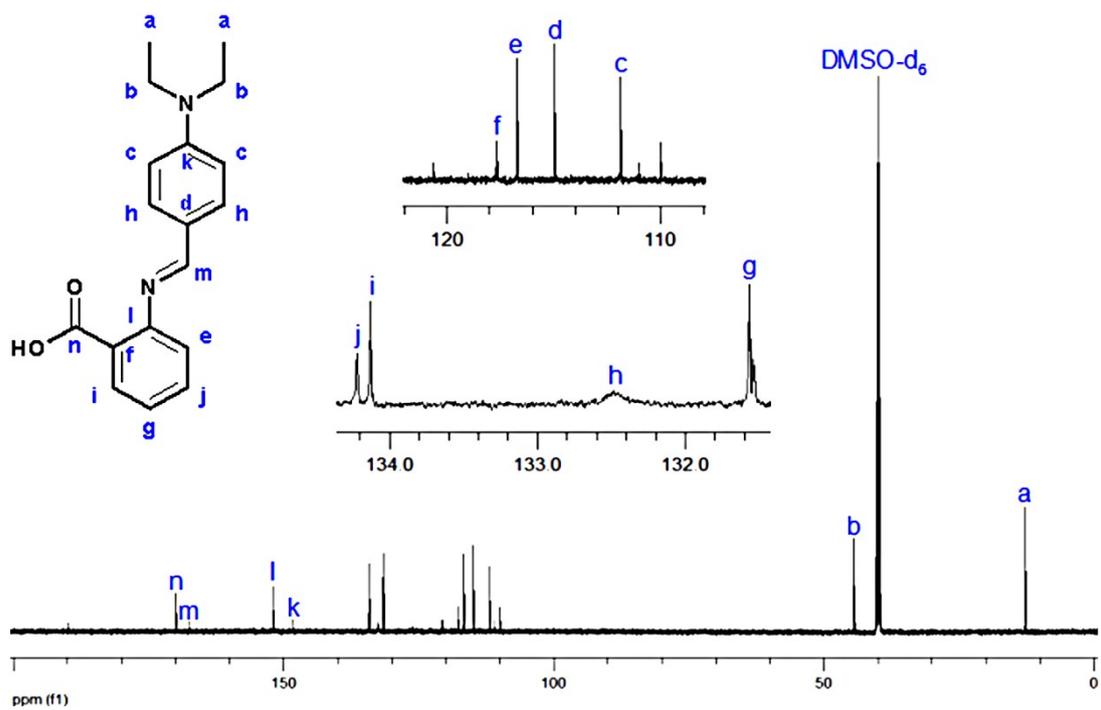
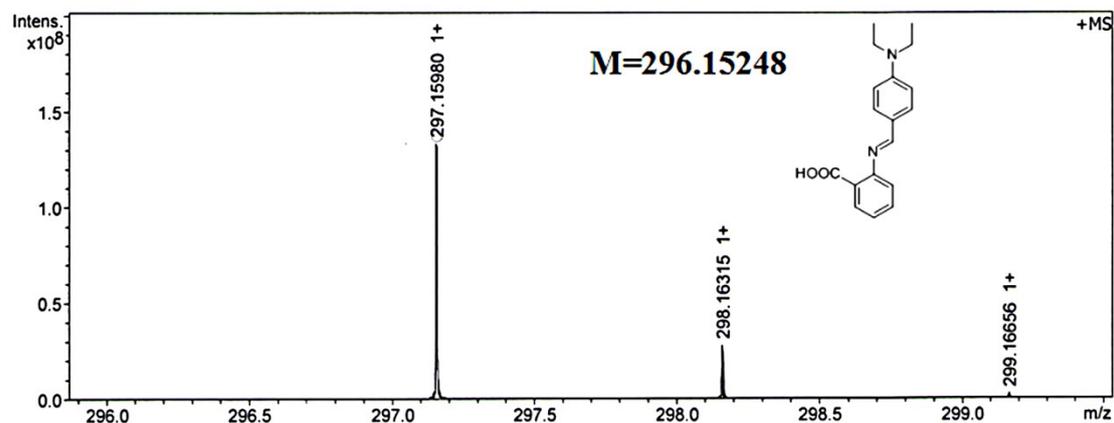


Fig. S3

Acquisition Parameter

Polarity Positive
 Broadband Low Mass 57.7 m/z
 Broadband High Mass 800.0 m/z

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Meas. m/z	#	Ion Formula	Score	m/z	err [ppm]	Mean err [ppm]	mSigma	rdb	e ⁻ Conf	N-Rule
297.159797	1	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ N ₂ O ₂	100.00	297.159754	0.1	-0.3	4.3	9.5	even	ok

Fig. S4

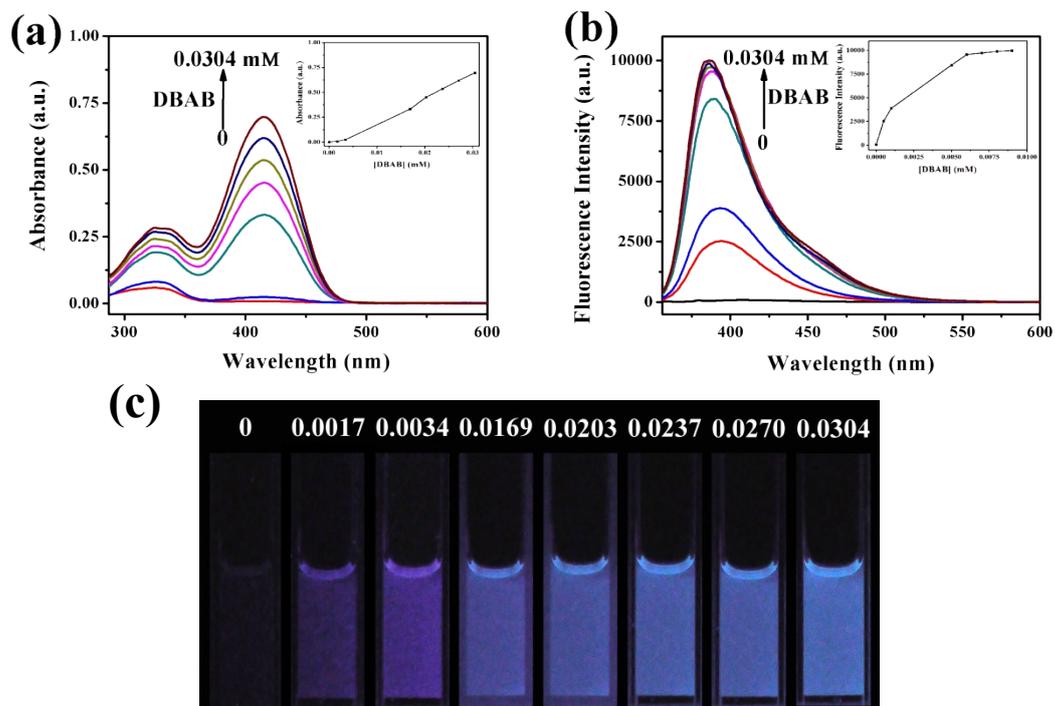
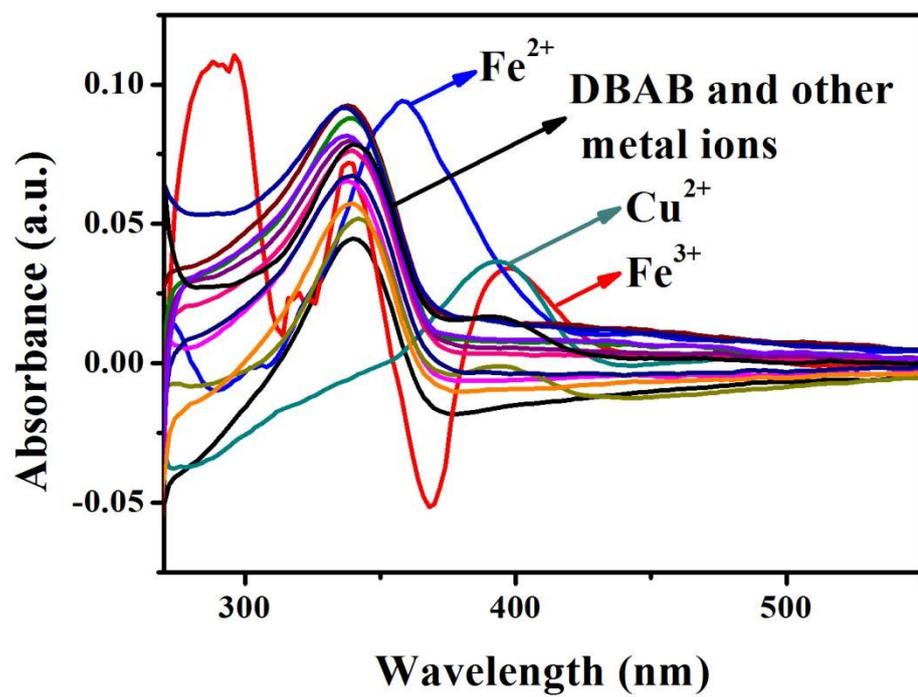


Fig. S5



The limit of detection and association constant

The limit of detection (LOD) was calculated based on the fluorescence titration according to the following equation (Eq. S1) [1-3], where Sb_1 is the standard deviation of the blank solution and S is the slope of the calibration curve. To determine Sb_1 , the emission intensity of DBAB in DMF solution without any metal ions was measured 10 times, respectively.

$$LOD = 3 \times \frac{Sb_1}{S} \quad (\text{Eq. S1})$$

The association constant (K_a) of DBAB-metal ion was obtained from nonlinear curve fitting of the fluorescence titration data according to Benesi-Hildebrand equation (Eq. S2) [4-6], where F_0 , F , and F_{\min} are the fluorescence intensity of DBAB in the absence of metal ions, at a certain concentration of metal ions, and the minimum fluorescence intensity of [QLBM- $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}/Cu^{2+}$] in the linear range, $[M]$ is the metal ion concentration, n is the binding stoichiometry.

$$\log\left[\frac{F_{\max} - F}{F - F_0}\right] = n \log[M] + \log K_a \quad (\text{Eq. S2})$$

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