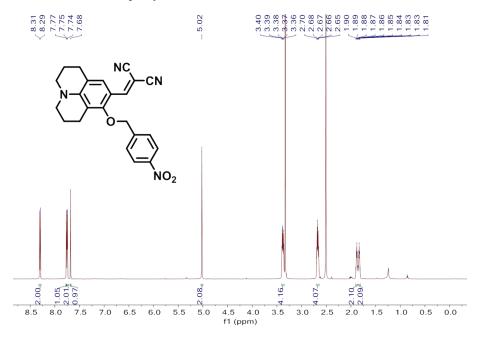
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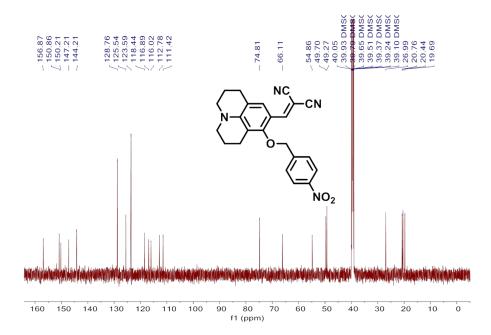
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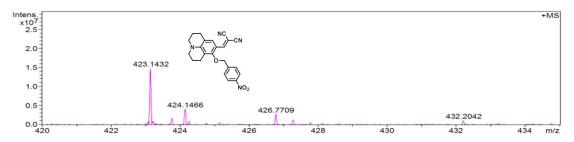
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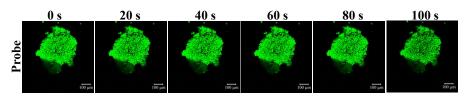
**Figure S1** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 2-((4-nitrobenzyloxy)(2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-*1H,5H-pyrido*[*3,2,1-ij*]quinolin-9-yl)methylene)malononitrile



**Figure S2** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 2-((4-nitrobenzyloxy)(2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-*1H,5H-pyrido[3,2,1-ij*]quinolin-9-yl)methylene)malononitrile



**Figure S3**. MS of 2-((4-nitrobenzyloxy)(2,3,6,7-tetrahydro-*1H*,*5H-pyrido*[*3*,*2*,*1-ij*]quinolin-9-yl)methylene)malononitrile



**Figure S4.** *In vitro* confocal fluorescence images of hypoxia in MGC-803 MCs with the probe under continuous light excitation. The image was captured every 20 seconds.