

## Dual response fluorescent sensor for HNO and S<sup>2-</sup> ions using Cu(II) complex based probe assistant with detailed DFT studies.

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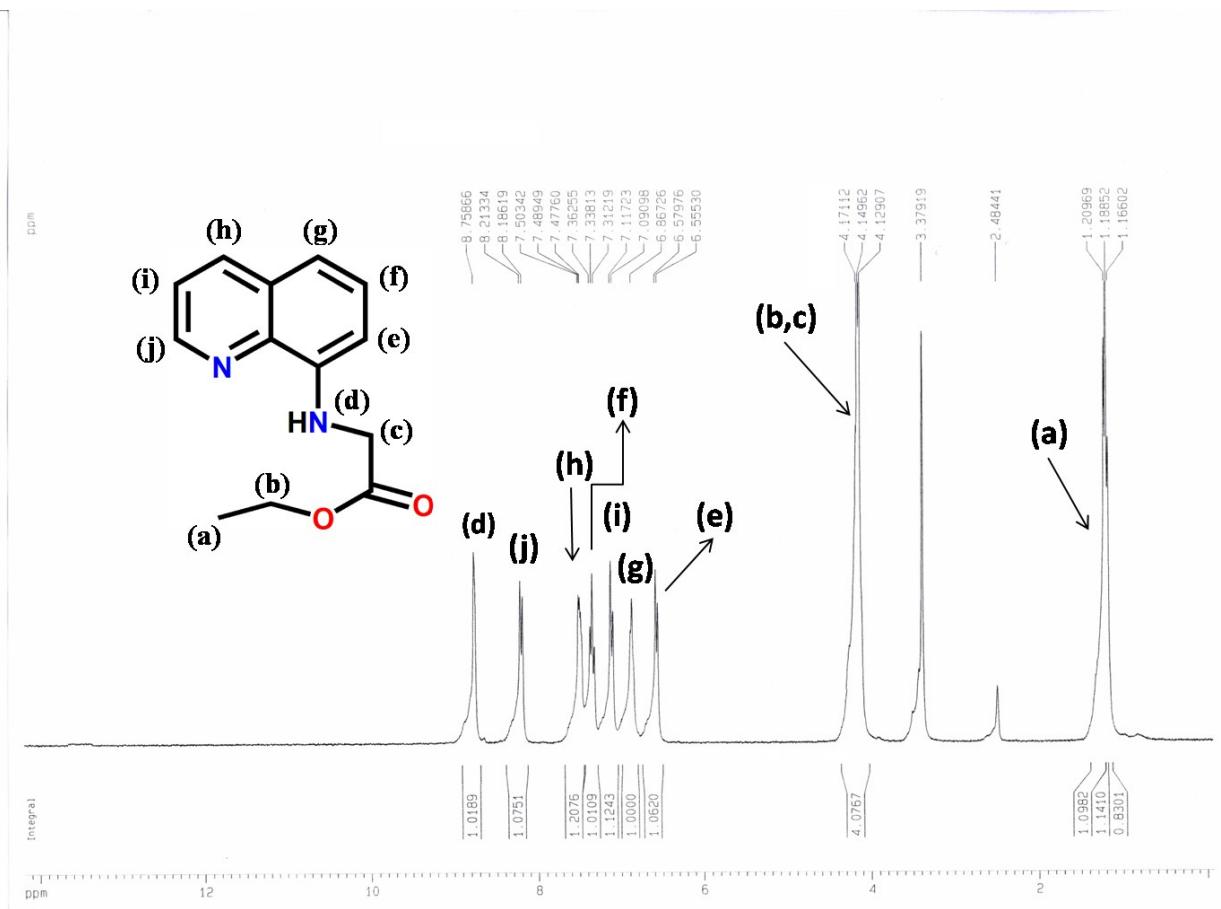
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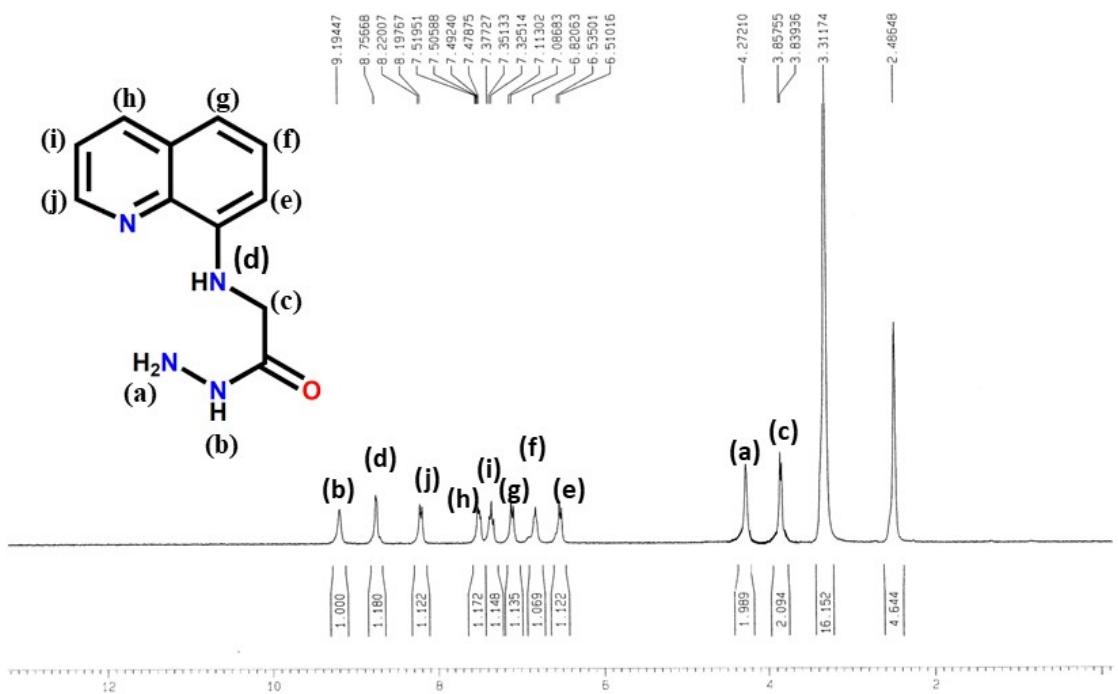
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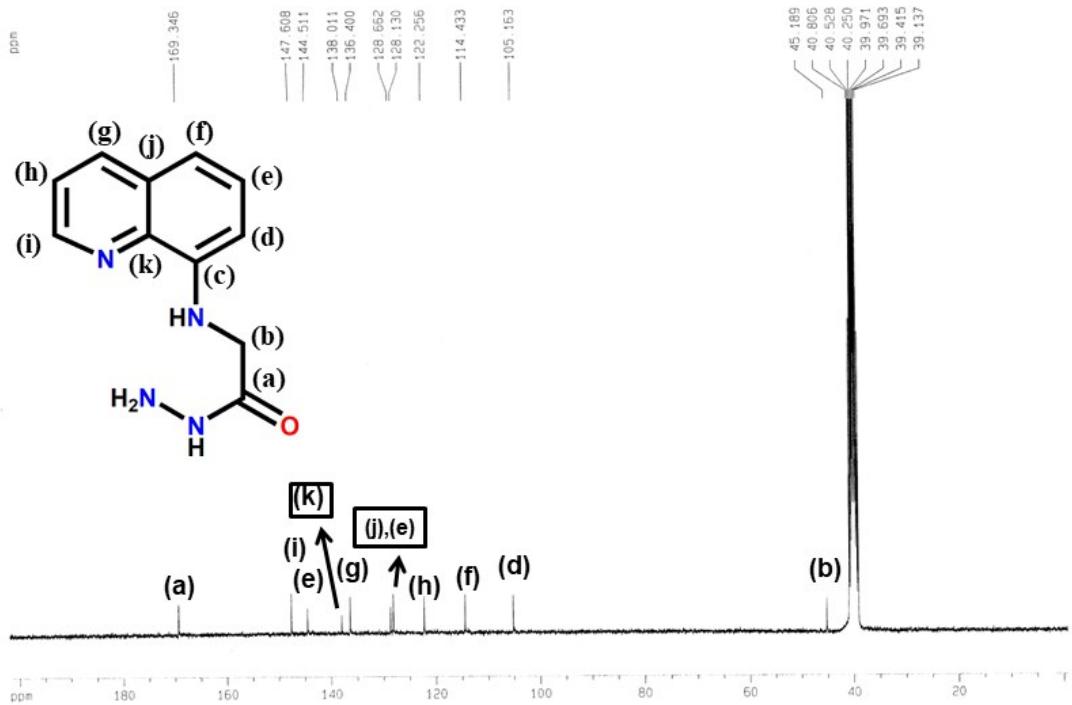
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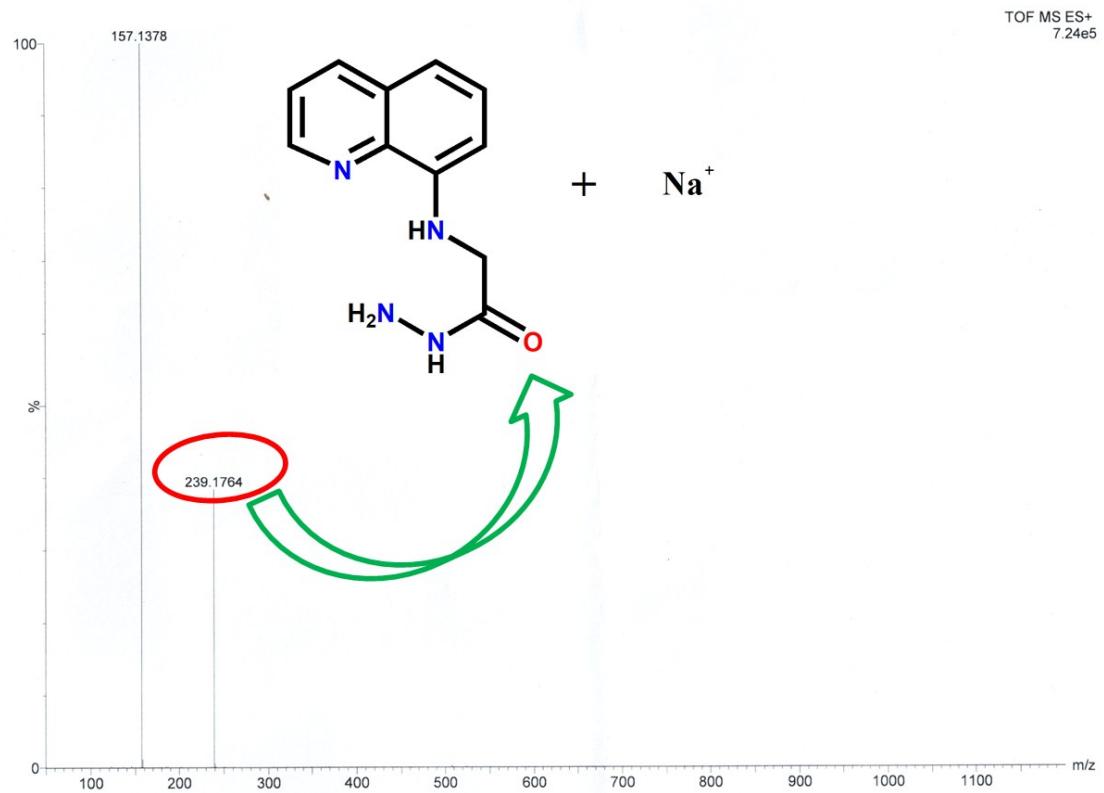
**Fig.S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of spectrum of  $(\text{L}^1)$  in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



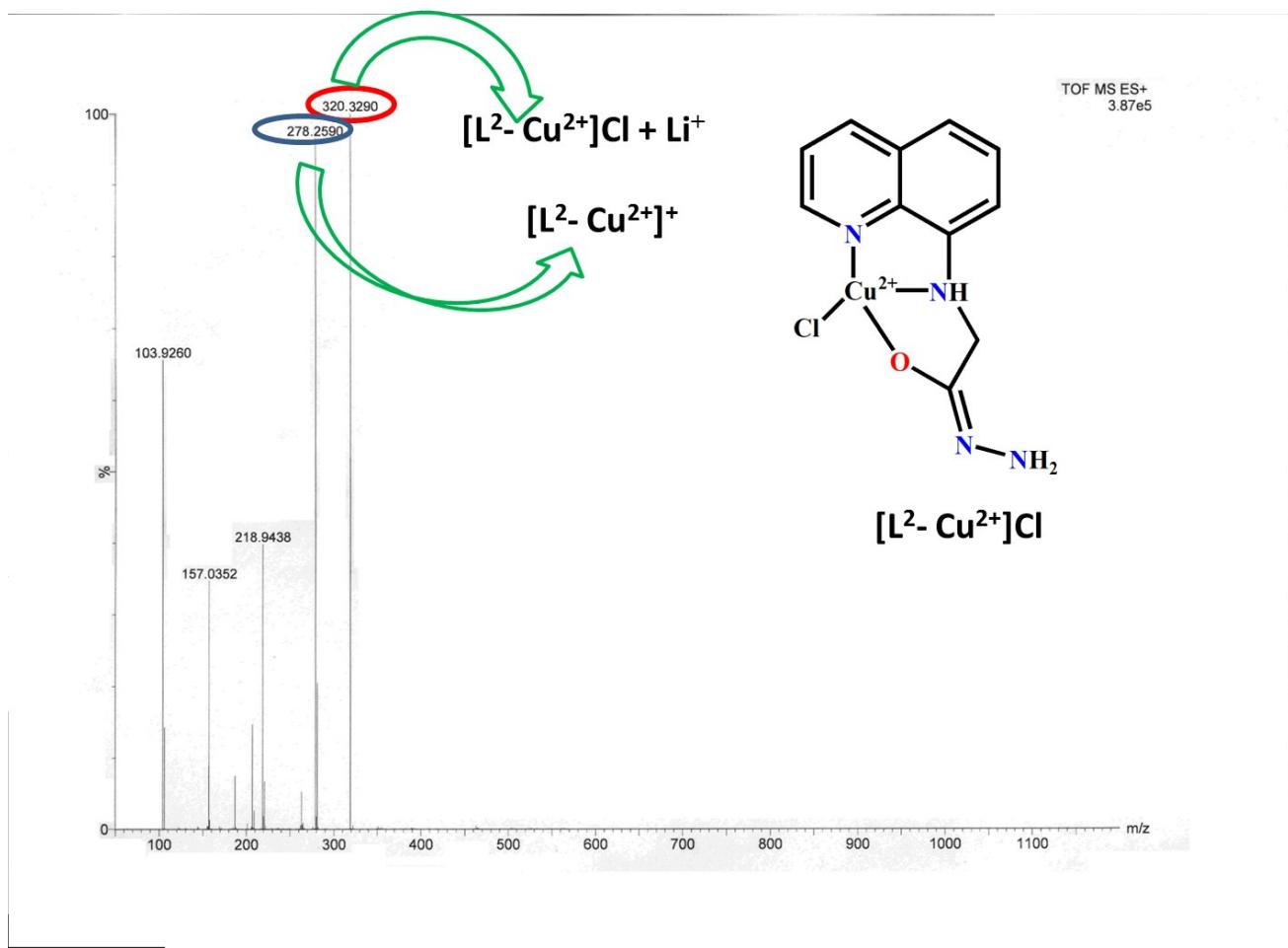
**Fig. S1a.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of spectrum of ( $\text{L}^2$ ) in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



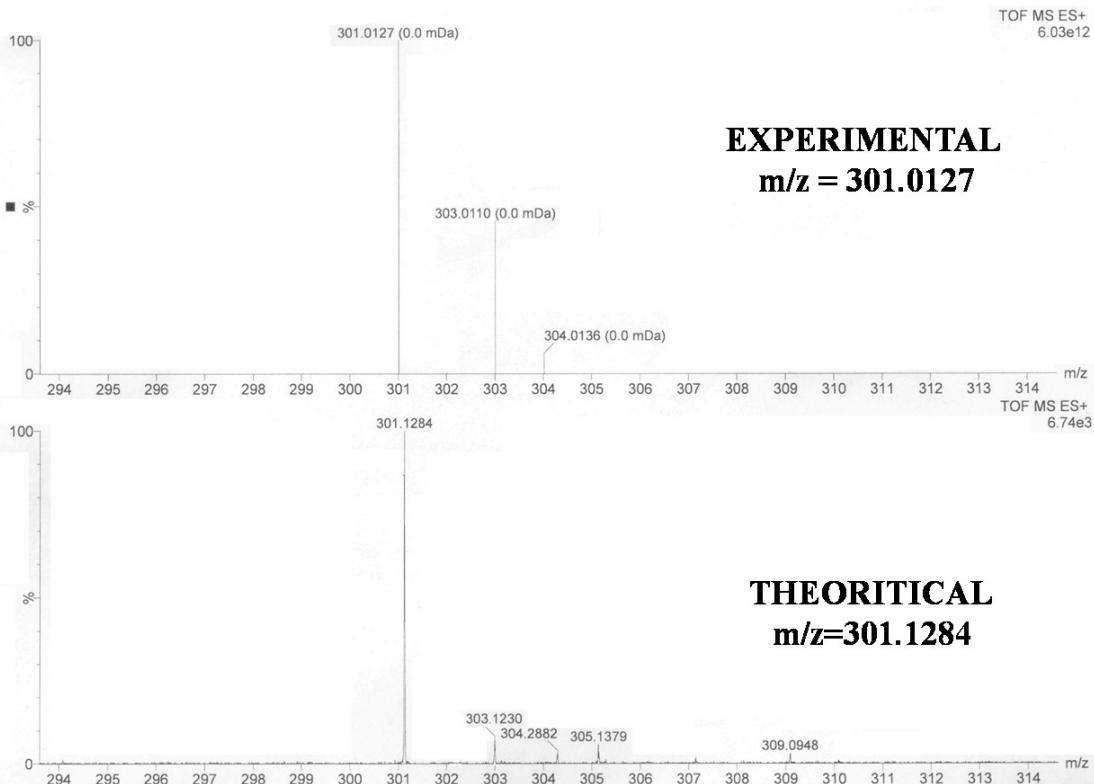
**Fig.S2.**<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of L<sup>2</sup> in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> (300Mz).



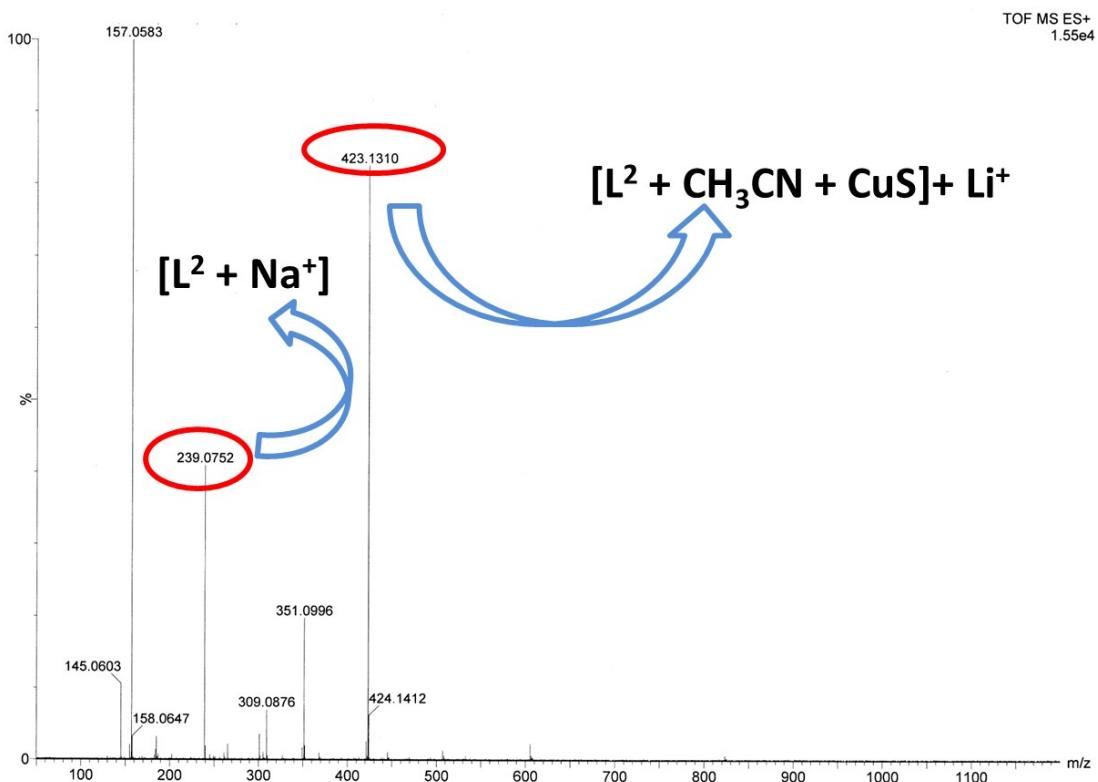
**Fig. S3.** Mass spectrum of  $\mathbf{L}^2$  in MeCN.



**Fig. S3a.** Mass spectrum of  $[Cu(L^2)Cl]$  in MeOH.



**Fig. S3b.** Mass spectrum of  $[\text{Cu}(\text{L}^2\text{Cl})] + \text{Na}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$  in MeCN and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .



**Fig. S3c.** Mass spectrum of **Cu-L<sup>2+</sup> + Na<sub>2</sub>S** in MeCN and H<sub>2</sub>O

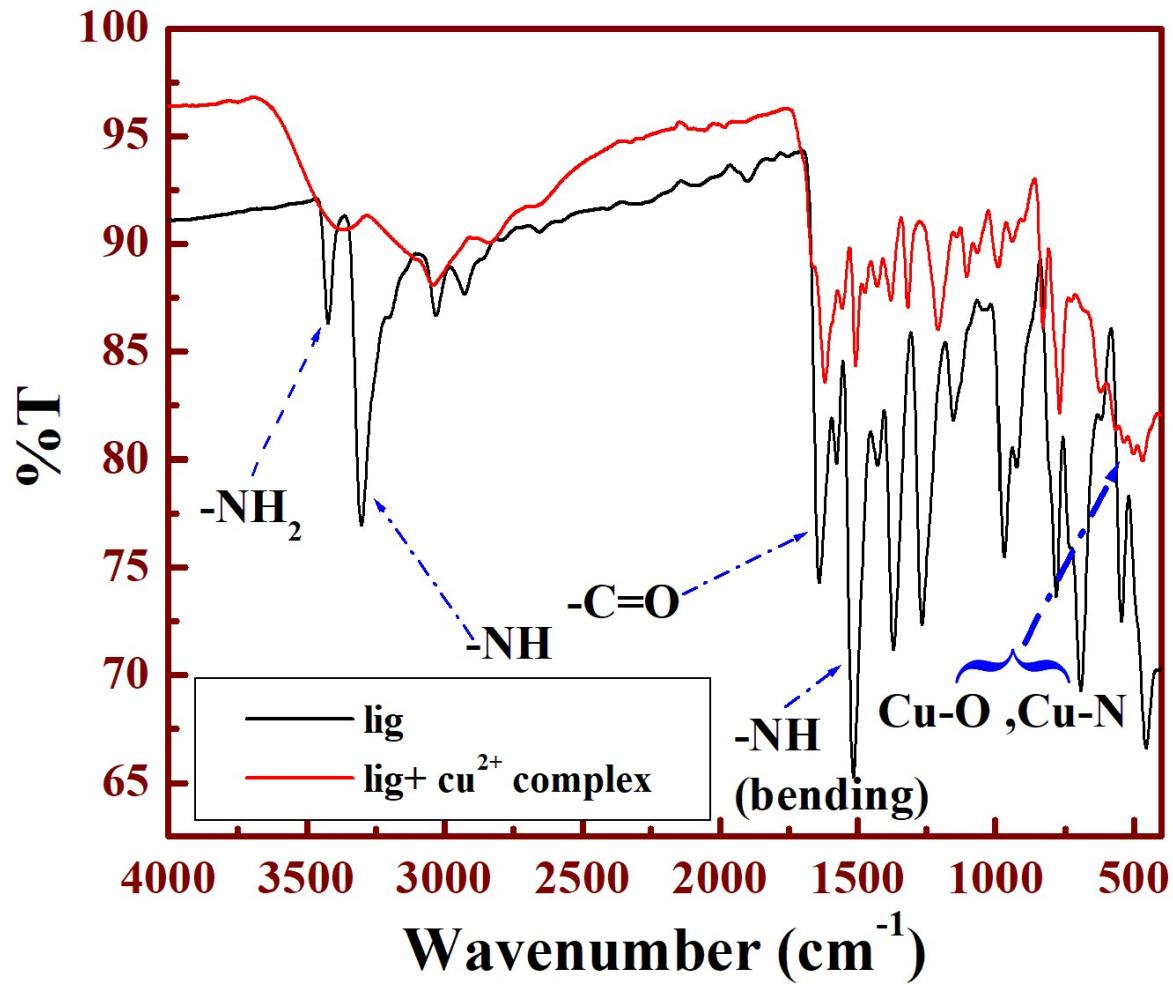
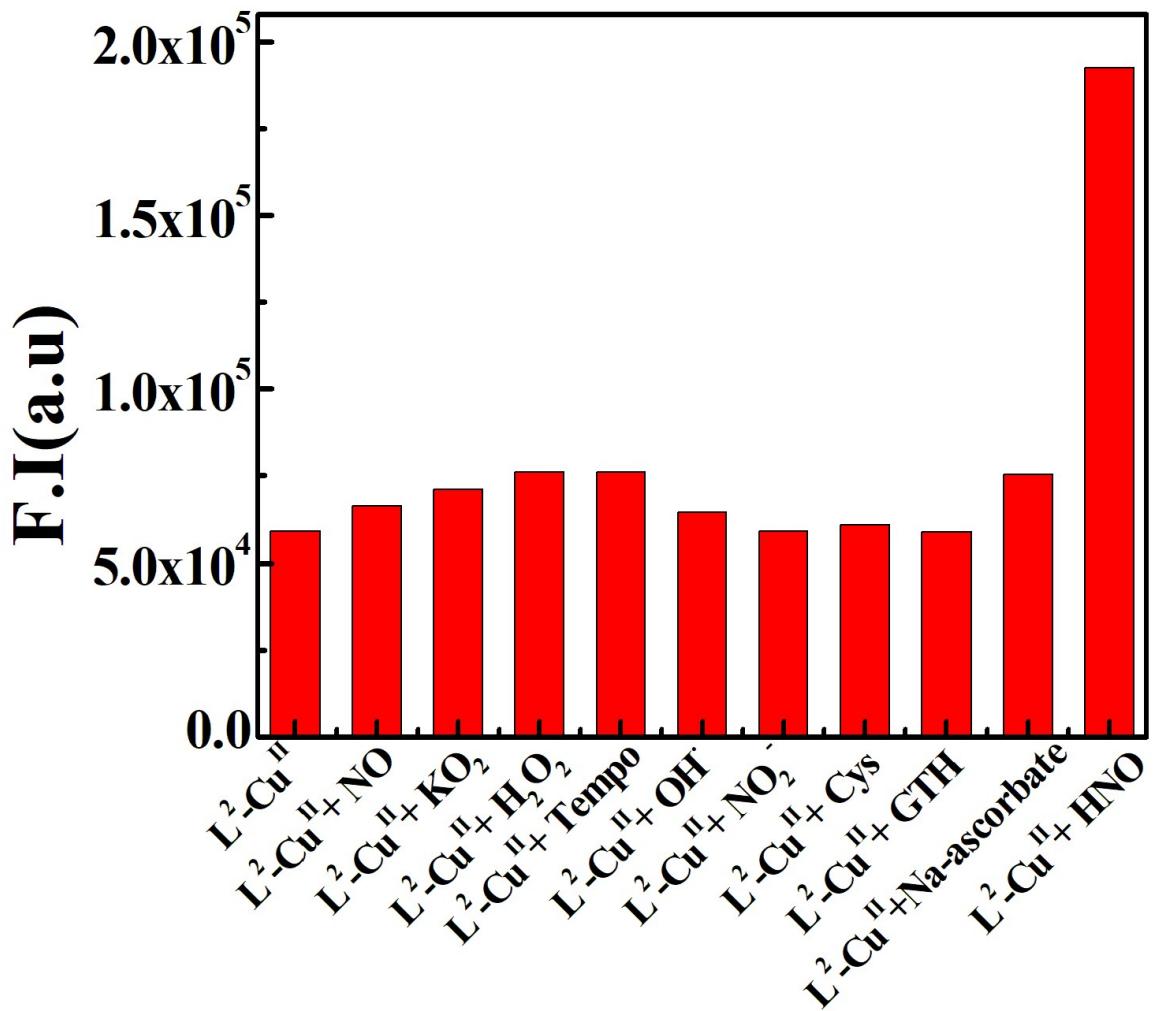
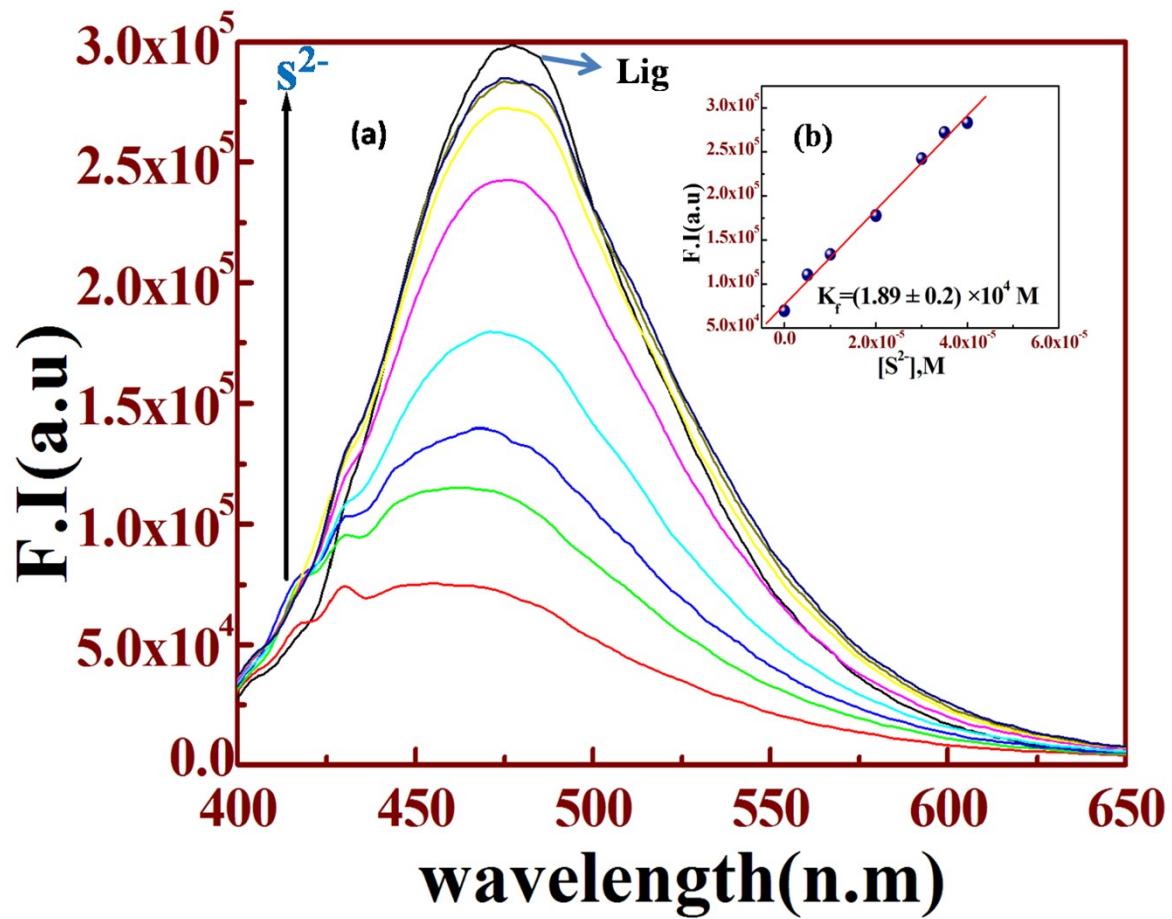


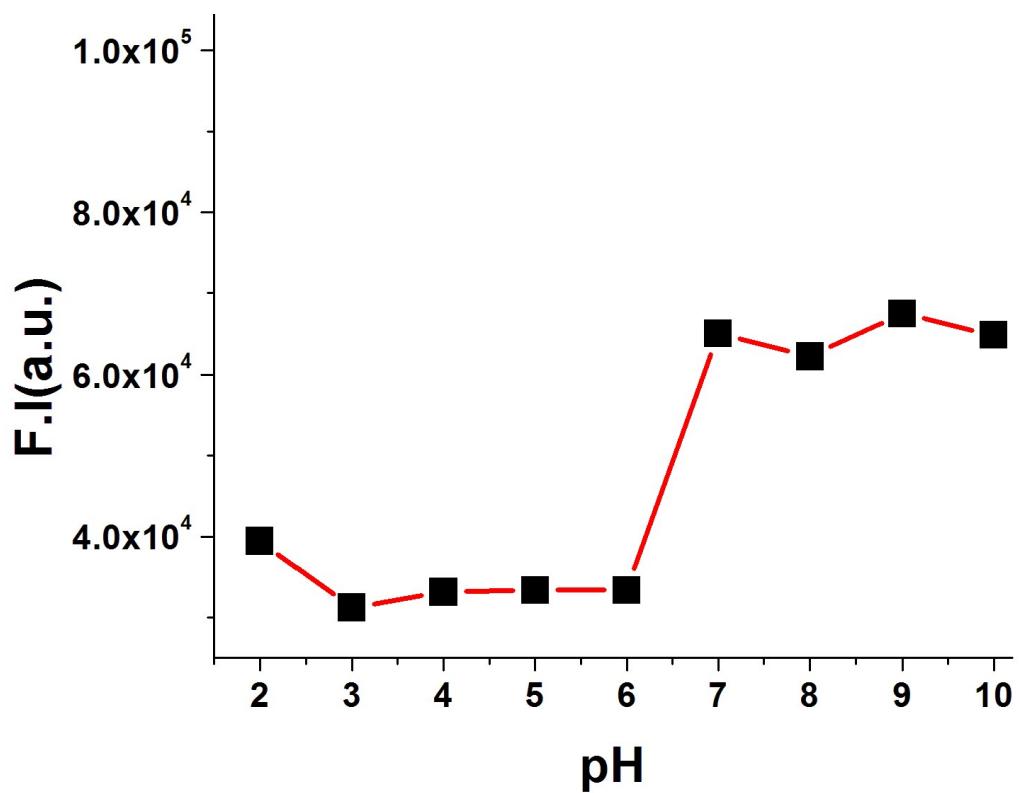
Fig. S4. IR spectrum of for  $\text{L}^2$  and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{L}^2)\text{Cl}]$  in solid state.



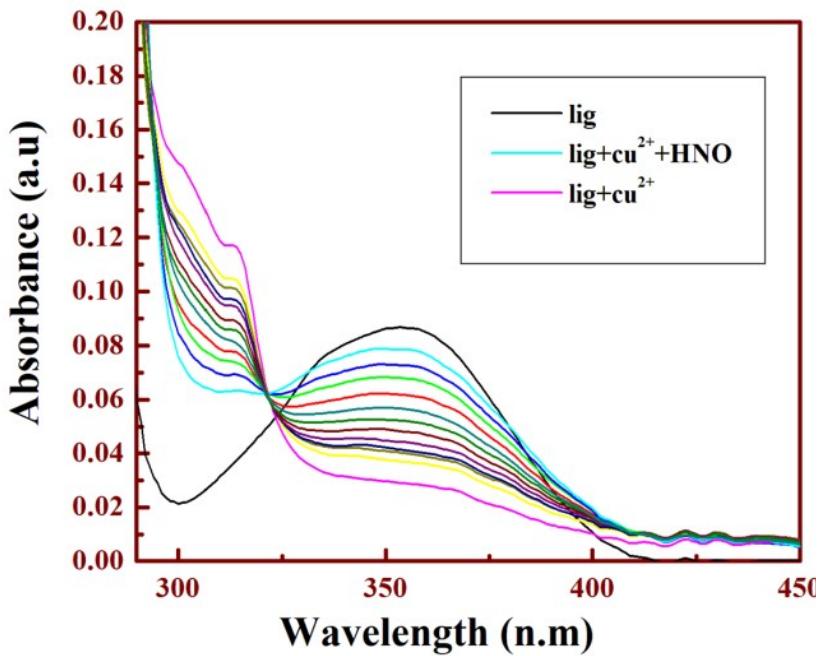
**Fig.S5.** Bar chart illustrating fluorescence responses of  $[\text{Cu}^{II}-\text{L}^2]^+$  complex at 469 nm ( $\lambda_{ex} = 380 \text{ nm}$ ) towards different biological anions in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ .  $\text{X}^{n-} = \text{NO}^-$ ,  $\text{KO}_2^-$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ , TEMPO radical,  $\text{OH}^-$ ,  $\text{NO}_2^-$ , cysteine, glutathione, sodium ascorbate and HNO.



**Fig.S6.(a)** Fluorescence emission changes of  $[Cu^{II}-L^2]^+$  ( $20 \mu\text{M}$ ) in MeCN solutions upon addition of  $S^{2-}$  ( $50 \mu\text{M}$ ),  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 380\text{nm}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 478 \text{ nm}$  );(b) Linear fitting plot.



**Fig. S7.** pH dependence of fluorescence responses of  $[Cu^{II}-L^2]^+$  complex.



**Fig. S8.** Changes in UV-vis absorption spectra of  $[\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}\text{-L}^2]^+$  (20  $\mu\text{M}$ ) in MeCN solutions with various amounts of HNO (0-2.5 equivalent).

### Quantum Yield Determination:

Fluorescence quantum yields ( $\Phi$ ) were estimated by integrating the area under the fluorescence

$$\text{curves with the equation: } \Phi_{\text{sample}} = \frac{\frac{OD_{\text{std}}}{OD_{\text{sample}}} \times \frac{A_{\text{sample}}}{A_{\text{std}}} \times \Phi_{\text{std}}}{\eta}$$

where, A was the area under the fluorescence spectral curve, OD was optical density of the compound at the excitation wavelength and  $\eta$  was the refractive indices of the solvent. Quantum yields of  $\text{L}^2$  and  $[\text{Cu-L}^2+\text{S}^2]$  and  $[\text{Cu-L}^2+\text{HNO}]$  complexes in acetonitrile ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ) are found to be 0.107, 0.09, 0.07 respectively using Quinine Sulphate as standard.

**Table S1:** Selective bond distance and bond angles of  $\text{L}^2$

Bond distance(Å)		Bond-angles(°)	
N24-N26	<b>1.39</b>	C7 N17 C19	<b>129.776</b>
C22-O23	<b>1.25</b>	C19 C22 O23	<b>122.608</b>
C7-N17	<b>1.37</b>	C19 C22 N24	<b>117.167</b>
N17-C19	<b>1.45</b>	C22 N24 N26	<b>122.772</b>
C19-C22	<b>1.52</b>		
C22-N24	<b>1.37</b>		

**Table S1a:** Selective bond distance and bond angles of  $[\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^2)\text{Cl}]$ .

Bond distance(Å)		Bond-angles(°)	
Cu27-Cl29	<b>2.16</b>	N17Cu27O28	<b>84.356</b>
O28-Cu27	<b>1.90</b>	N17Cu27N16	<b>79.411</b>
N16-Cu27	<b>2.06</b>	O28Cu27Cl29	<b>101.149</b>
N17-Cu27	<b>2.24</b>	N16Cu27Cl29	<b>102.904</b>

**Table S1b:** Selective bond distance and bond angles of  $[\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}(\text{L}^2)]$ .

Bond distance(Å)		Bond-angles(°)	
N17-Cu27	<b>2.42</b>	N17Cu27O28	<b>85.02</b>
N16-Cu27	<b>1.91</b>	N17 Cu27 N16	<b>81.35</b>
O28-Cu27	<b>1.87</b>	N28C22N23	<b>125.17</b>
N23-N24	<b>1.40</b>		

**Table S2:** Selected parameters for the vertical excitation (UV-Vis absorptions) of  $\text{L}^2$ ; electronic excitation energies (eV) and oscillator strength (f), configurations of the low-lying excited states of  $\text{L}^2$ ; calculation of the  $S_0 \rightarrow S_n$  energy gaps on optimized ground-state geometries (UV-vis absorption).

Electronic transition	Composition	Excitation energy	Oscillator Strength(f)	CI	Assignment	$\lambda_{\text{exp}}$ (nm)
$S_0 \rightarrow S_6$	HOMO $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1	3.7365 eV	0.2682	0.25046	ILCT	350
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{14}$	HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+3	4.8318 eV	0.2029	0.37123	ILCT	256
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{31}$	HOMO-6 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+4	6.0349 eV	0.1193	0.35030	ILCT	200

**Table S3** : Selected parameters for the vertical excitation (UV-Vis absorptions) of  $[\text{Cu}^{II}(\text{L}^2)\text{Cl}]$ ; electronic excitation energies (eV) and oscillator strength (f), configurations of the low-lying excited states of  $[\text{Cu}^{II}(\text{L}^2)\text{Cl}]$ ; calculation of the  $S_0 \rightarrow S_n$  energy gaps on optimized ground- state geometries (UV-Vis absorption).

Electronic transition	Composition	Excitation energy	Oscillator Strength(f)	Cl	Assignment	$\lambda_{\text{exp}}$ (nm)
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{15}$	HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO	3.7383 eV	0.110	0.74643	ILCT/MLCT	352
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{17}$	HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1	3.8042 eV	0.0222	0.26103	ILCT/MLCT	315
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{38}$	HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+1	4.9618 eV	0.0104	0.16877	ILCT/MLCT	256

**Table S4** : Selected parameters for the vertical excitation (UV-VIS absorptions) of  $[\text{Cu}^I(\text{L}^2)]$ ; electronic excitation energies (eV) and oscillator strength (f), configurations of the low-lying excited states of  $[\text{Cu}^I(\text{L}^2)]$ ; calculation of the  $S_0 \rightarrow S_n$  energy gaps on optimized ground- state geometries (UV-Vis absorption).

Electronic transition	Composition	Excitation energy	Oscillator Strength(f)	Cl	Assignment	$\lambda_{\text{exp}}$ (nm)
$S_0 \rightarrow S_4$	HOMO-2 $\rightarrow$ LUMO	3.5366eV	0.0304	0.28325	ILCT/MLCT	350
$S_0 \rightarrow S_{12}$	HOMO-1 $\rightarrow$ LUMO+2	4.2501eV	0.0183	0.56234	ILCT/MLCT	287