

A simple urea-based multianalyte and multichannel chemosensor for selective detection of F⁻, Hg²⁺ and Cu²⁺ in solution and cells, extraction of Hg²⁺ and Cu²⁺ from real water sources: A logic gate mimic ensemble

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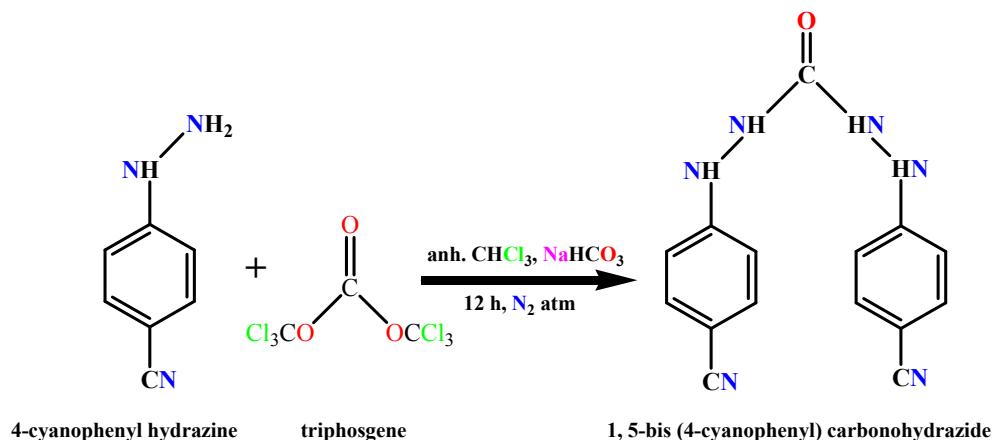
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Scheme S1 Preparation of BCC.

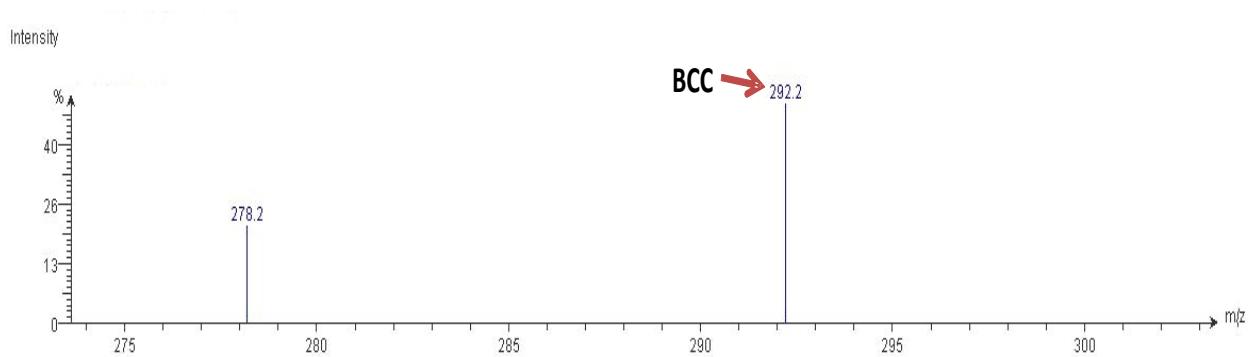


Fig.S1 ESI-Mass data of BCC

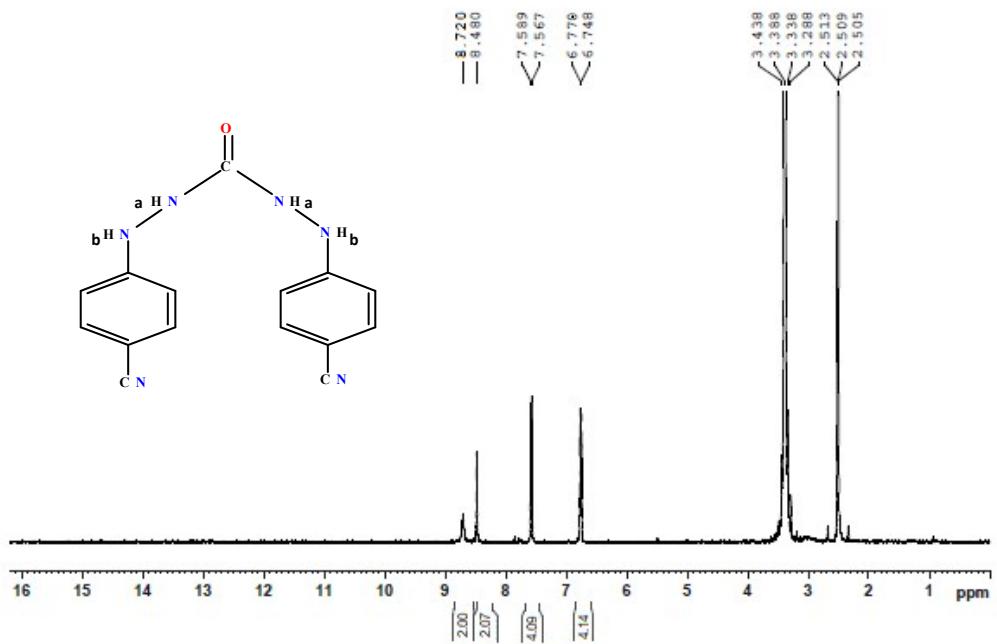


Fig.S2 ¹H NMR data of BCC in DMSO-d₆.

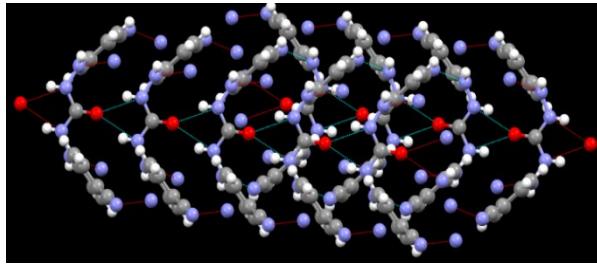


Fig.S3 Intermolecular hydrogen bonding in BCC.

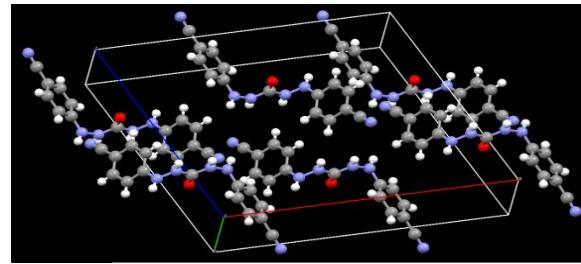


Fig.S4 Unit cell with six molecules of BCC propagating along axis 'a'

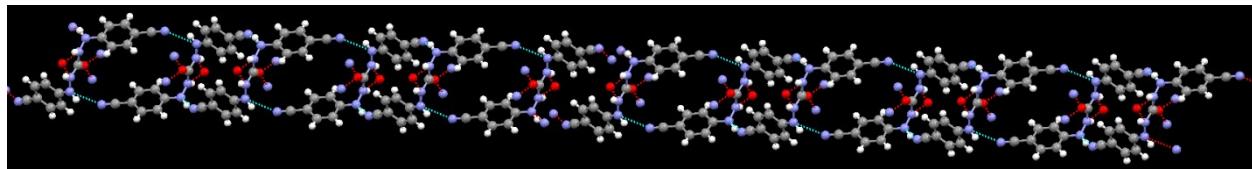


Fig.S5 Extensive supramolecular 2D chain along the O atom of -C=O group

Table S1 Crystallographic data of BCC.

Crystal Data	
Formula	C15 H12 N6 O
Formula Weight	292.31
Crystal System	monoclinic
Space group	C2/c (No. 15)
a, b, c [Angstrom]	19.810(9) 4.548(2) 16.353(7)
alpha, beta, gamma [deg]	90 105.47(3) 90
V [Ang**3]	1420.0(11)
Z	4
D(calc) [g/cm**3]	1.367
Mu(MoKa) [/mm]	0.093
F(000)	608
Crystal Size [mm]	0.00 x 0.00 x 0.00
Data Collection	
Temperature (K)	99
Radiation [Angstrom]	MoKa 0.71073
Theta Min-Max [Deg]	2.6, 25.0
Dataset	-23: 21 ; -5: 5 ; -19: 18
Tot., Uniq. Data, R(int)	5944, 1248, 0.055
Observed Data [$I > 2.0 \sigma(I)$]	1048
Refinement	
Nref, Npar	1248, 101
R, wR2, S	0.0466, 0.1232, 1.09
w =	$\wedge 2^{\wedge} (FO^{\wedge} 2^{\wedge}) + (0.0420P)^{\wedge} 2^{\wedge} + 2.5124P] \text{ WHERE}$ $P=(FO^{\wedge} 2^{\wedge} + 2FC^{\wedge} 2^{\wedge})/3^{\wedge}$
Max. and Av. Shift/Error	0.00, 0.00
Min. and Max. Resd. Dens. [e/Ang^3]	-0.57, 0.52

Table S2 Selected bond distances (angstrom) of BCC.

O001	-C007	1.229(3)	N003	-H003	0.8800
N002	-N003	1.389(3)	C008	-C00A	1.397(3)
N002	-C005	1.387(3)	C008	-C00B	1.397(3)
N003	-C007	1.362(2)	C008	-C00C	1.436(3)
N004	-C00C	1.151(3)	C009	-C00B	1.375(3)
C005	-C006	1.403(3)	C006	-H006	0.9500
C005	-C009	1.398(3)	C009	-H009	0.9500
N002	-H002	0.8800	C00A	-H00C	0.9500
C006	-C00A	1.378(3)	C00B	-H00D	0.9500

Table S3 Selected bond angles (degrees) of **BCC**

N003	-N002	-C005	118.09(17)	C00A	-C008	-C00C	119.9(2)
N002	-N003	-C007	119.29(18)	C00B	-C008	-C00C	120.3(2)
N002	-C005	-C006	117.97(18)	C005	-C009	-C00B	120.5(2)
N002	-C005	-C009	122.68(18)	C006	-C00A	-C008	120.15(19)
C006	-C005	-C009	119.26(19)	C008	-C00B	-C009	120.2(2)
N003	-N002	-H002	121.00	N004	-C00C	-C008	178.2(3)
C005	-N002	-H002	121.00	C005	-C006	-H006	120.00
C005	-C006	-C00A	120.26(19)	C00A	-C006	-H006	120.00
N002	-N003	-H003	120.00	C005	-C009	-H009	120.00
C007	-N003	-H003	120.00	C00B	-C009	-H009	120.00
O001	-C007	-N003_a	122.72(13)	C006	-C00A	-H00C	120.00
N003	-C007	-N003_a	114.6(2)	C008	-C00A	-H00C	120.00
O001	-C007	-N003	122.72(13)	C008	-C00B	-H00D	120.00
C00A	-C008	-C00B	119.7(2)	C009	-C00B	-H00D	120.00

Table S4 Hydrogen bonding in **BCC**

N002 .. H002 .. N004	0.8800	2.4900	3.067(3)	124.00	4_555
N003 .. H003 .. O001	0.8800	2.0300	2.825(3)	149.00	1_565
C00A .. H00C .. N004	0.9500	2.5900	3.524(3)	167.00	7_646

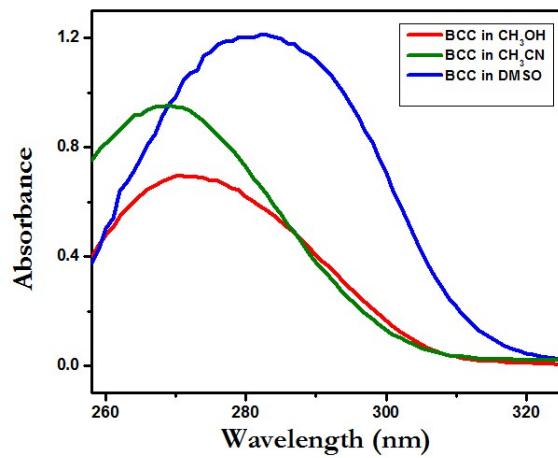


Fig.S6 Absorbance spectra of **BCC** in different solvents

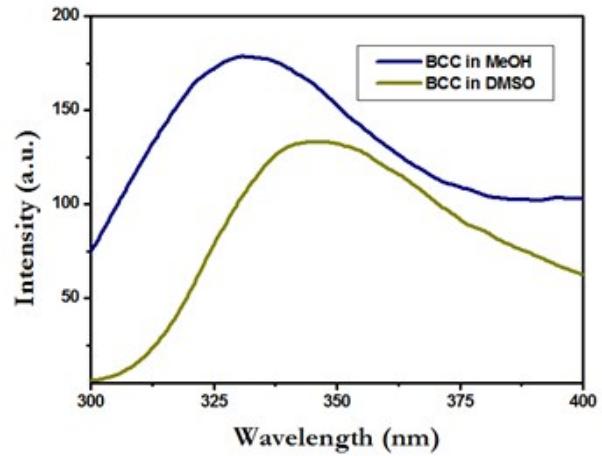


Fig.S7 Fluorescence spectra of **BCC** in different solvents

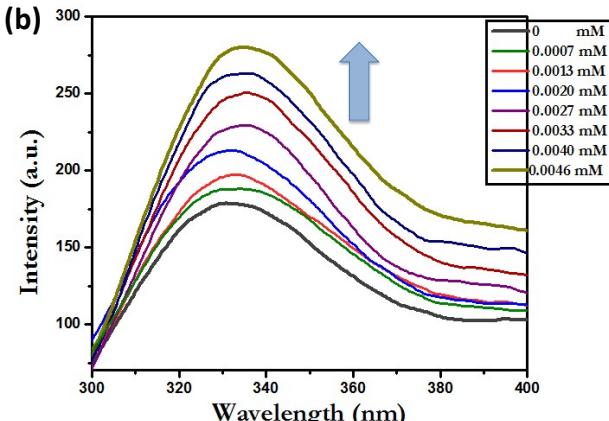
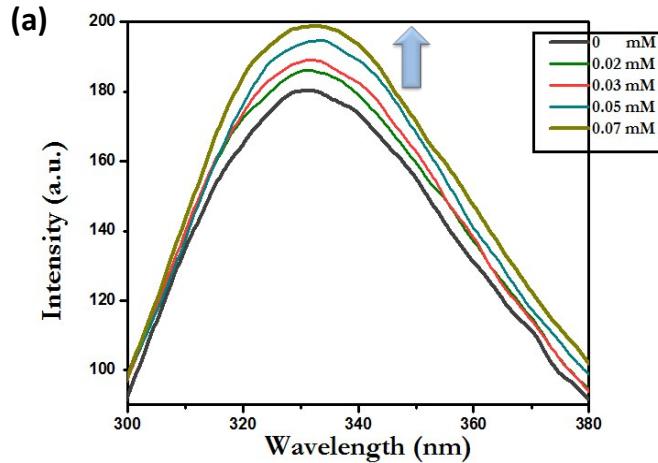


Fig.S8 Fluorescence titration spectra of **BCC** with (a) Hg^{2+} and (b) Cu^{2+} in MeOH-water (9:1)

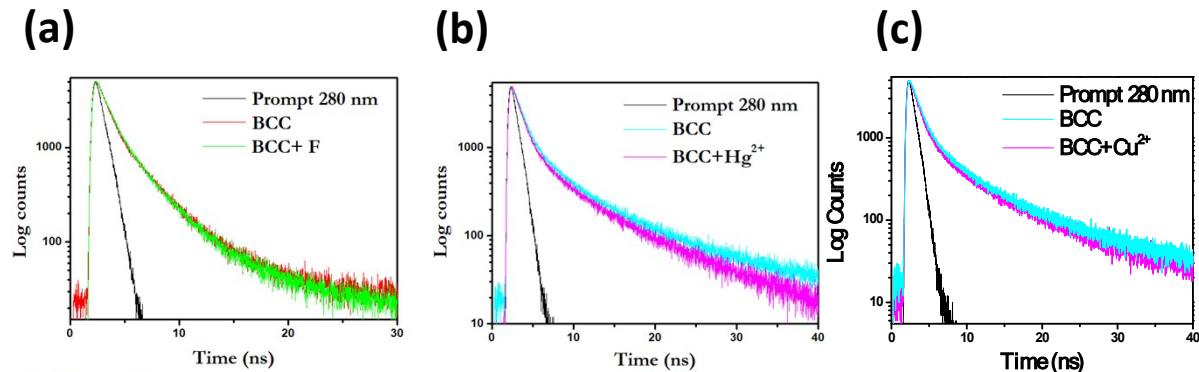


Fig.S9 Fluorescence lifetime spectra of **BCC** with (a) F^- in DMSO; (b) Hg^{2+} and (c) Cu^{2+} in MeOH

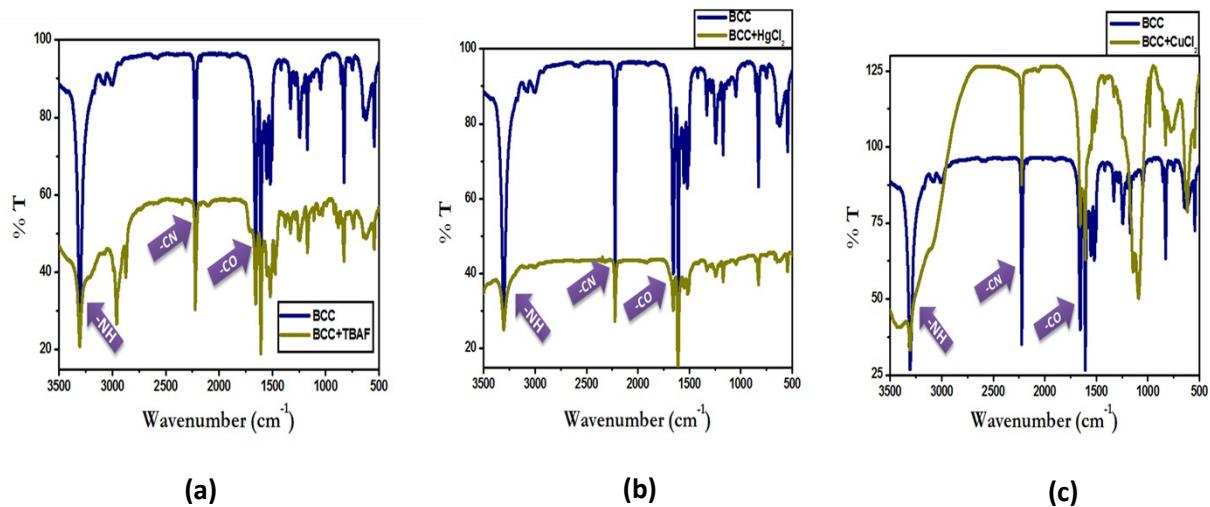


Fig.S10A IR spectra of **BCC** with (a)TBAF (b)HgCl₂ and (c) CuCl₂ in solid state

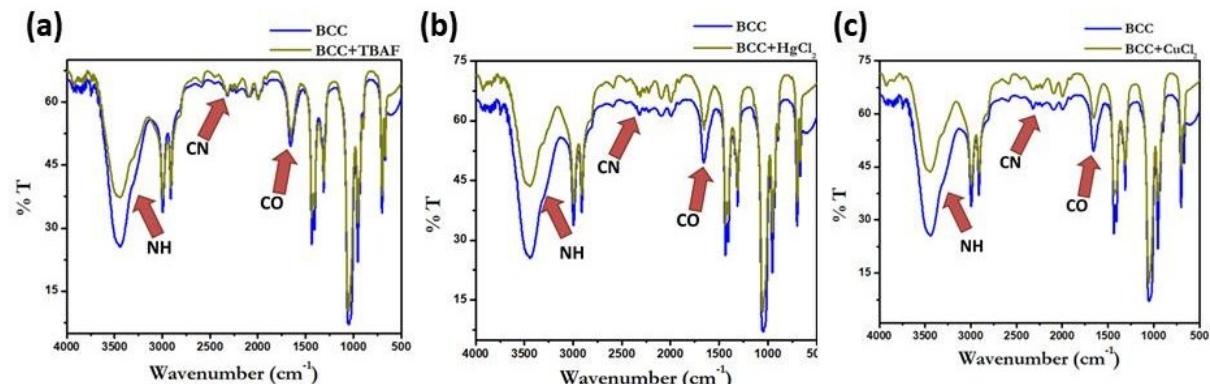


Fig.S10B IR spectra of BCC with (a) TBAF (b) HgCl₂ and (c) CuCl₂ in solution state

Table S5 Oxidation Reduction Potential (ORP) of BCC with F⁻, Hg²⁺ and Cu²⁺

Host-Guest	Sensor+F ⁻	Sensor+Hg ²⁺	Sensor+Cu ²⁺
Initial Oxidation	$E_a = 0.50 \text{ V}$ $I_a = -0.002 \text{ mA}$	$E_a = 0.28 \text{ V}$ $I_a = -0.009 \text{ mA}$	$E_a = 0.4 \text{ V}$ $I_a = -0.011 \text{ mA}$
Initial Reduction	No reduction	$E_c = 0.19 \text{ V}$ $I_c = 0.014 \text{ mA}$	$E_c = 0.23 \text{ V}$ $I_c = 0.009 \text{ mA}$

Final Oxidation	$E_a = 0.47 \text{ V}$	$E_a = 0.28 \text{ V}$	$E_a = 0.34 \text{ V}$
	$I_a = -0.002 \text{ mA}$	$I_a = -0.02 \text{ mA}$	$I_a = -0.012 \text{ mA}$
Final Reduction	No reduction	$E_a = 0.15 \text{ V}$	$E_a = 0.19 \text{ V}$
		$I_a = 0.03 \text{ mA}$	$I_a = 0.011 \text{ mA}$

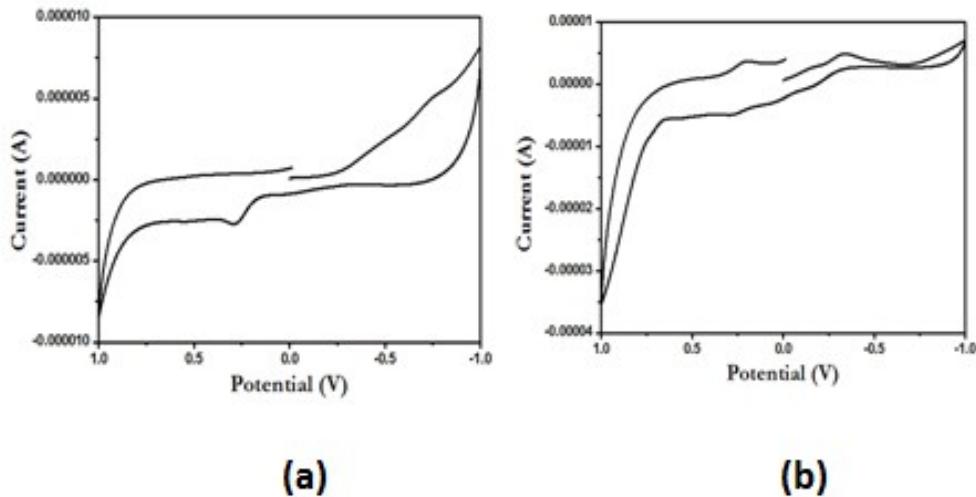


Fig.S11 Cyclic voltammetry of BCC in (a) DMSO and (b) MeOH

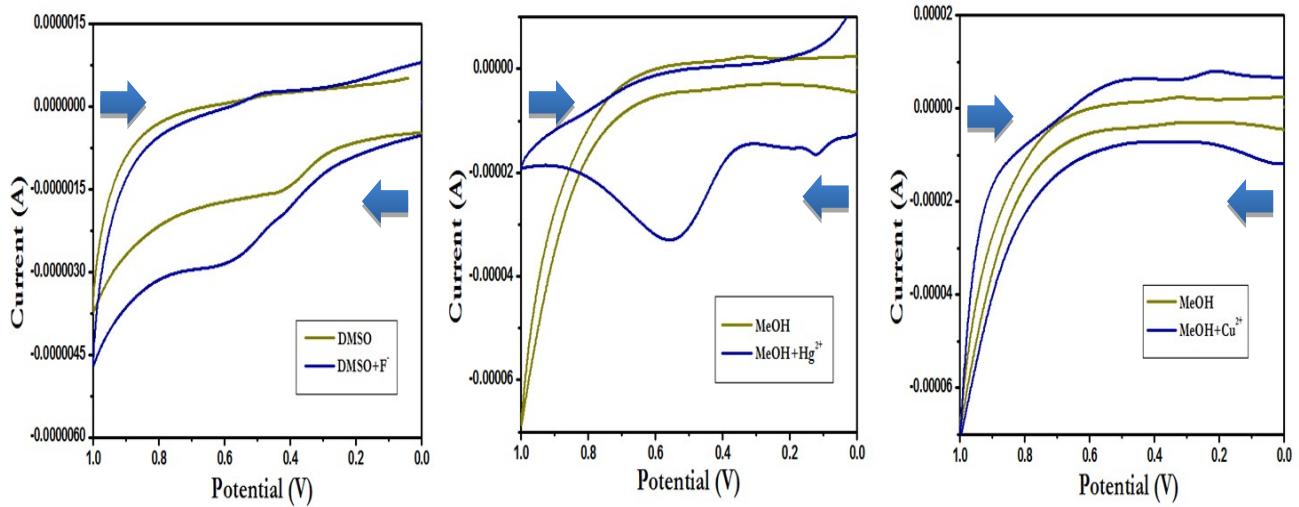


Fig.S12 Electrochemical response of (a) F in DMSO, (b) Hg²⁺ in MeOH and (iii) Cu²⁺ in MeOH

Rate constant calculation:

Rate constant of the host-guest interaction was calculated from UV-Vis spectroscopy. The sensor and the analytes were taken in similar concentration and the plots of absorbance vs. time were observed in a fixed wavelength. After that three graphs were plotted (i) Absorbance vs. time, (ii) In Absorbance vs. time and (iii) 1/Absorbance vs. time. Among the three plots, the plot in which the R value is more closed to 1 is chosen and accordingly the order of the reaction was known. Furthermore, the reaction rate was obtained from the slope of the specific plot.

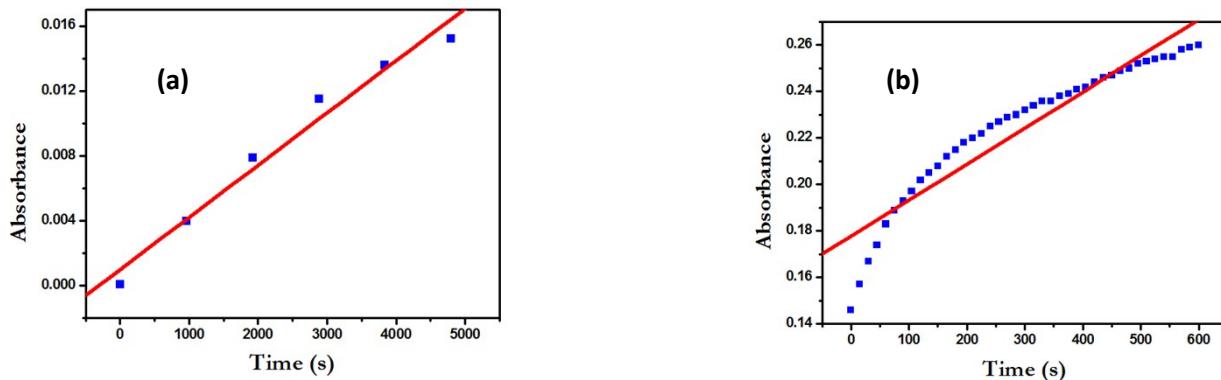
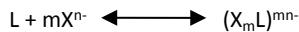


Fig.S13 Plots of Absorbance vs. Time of **BCC** with (a) Hg²⁺ and (b) Cu²⁺

Benesi-Hildebrand Equation and Plot:

The association constant of a complex formed in between the receptors and the incoming anions has been determined from the following complex equilibrium.



$$K = \frac{[(X_m L)]^{mn^-}}{[L][X^{n-}]^m}$$

For 1:1 type complex formation with m=1 following the Benesi-Hildebrand relation, can be expressed in terms of optical density (A) as follows:

$$A = \frac{A_0 + A_1 K [X^{n-}]}{1 + K [X^{n-}]}$$

Or,

$$\frac{1}{A - A_0} = \frac{1}{(A_1 - A_0)} + \frac{1}{(A_1 - A_0) K [X^{n-}]}$$

Where [Xⁿ⁻], [L] and [(X_mL)^{mn-}] are the concentration of the added anions, receptors and the complexation between anions and receptors, respectively. A₀, A and A₁ indicates the optical density or absorbance at a particular wavelength of receptor **1** or receptor **2** without adding any anion, absorbance after adding anion at every successive step and excess amount of added

anion, respectively. The binding constant or association constant K (M^{-1} or M^{-2}) is determined from the ratio of intercept and slope of Benesi-Hildebrand plot of optical density.

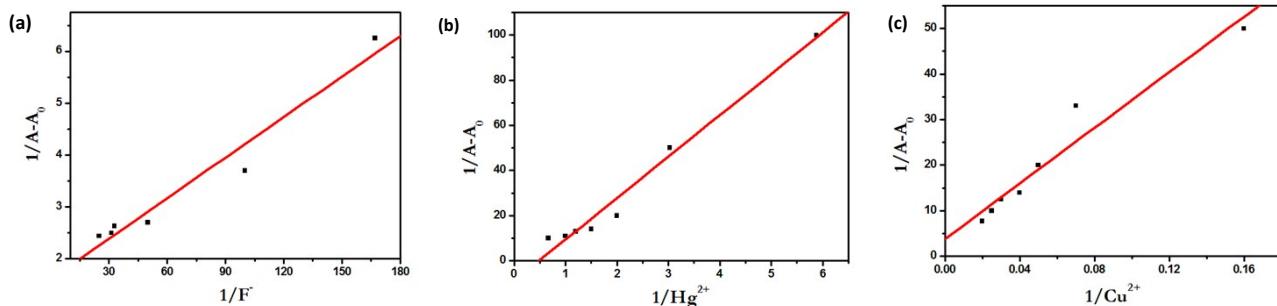


Fig.S14 B-H plot of BCC with (a) F^- (b) Hg^{2+} and (c) Cu^{2+}

(a)

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(b) limit calculation*

(c)

The detection limit (DL) has been calculated following UV-Vis titration. The absorbance spectrum of BCC was repeated for 10 times, and its standard deviation is measured. The limit of detection (LOD) is calculated from the following formula:

$$DL = 3\sigma/k$$

σ is the standard deviation of the blank solution of BCC. Gradual emergence of new absorbance values during colorimetric titration with targeted analytes is plotted against its concentration. The slope (k) is derived from these plots.

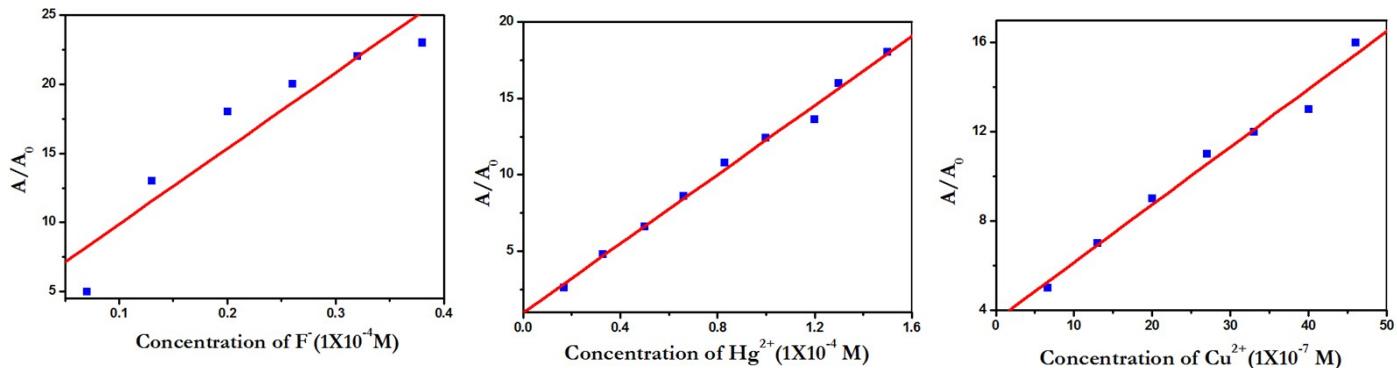


Fig.S15 Ratio of absorbance of BCC with (a) F^- (b) Hg^{2+} and (c) Cu^{2+}

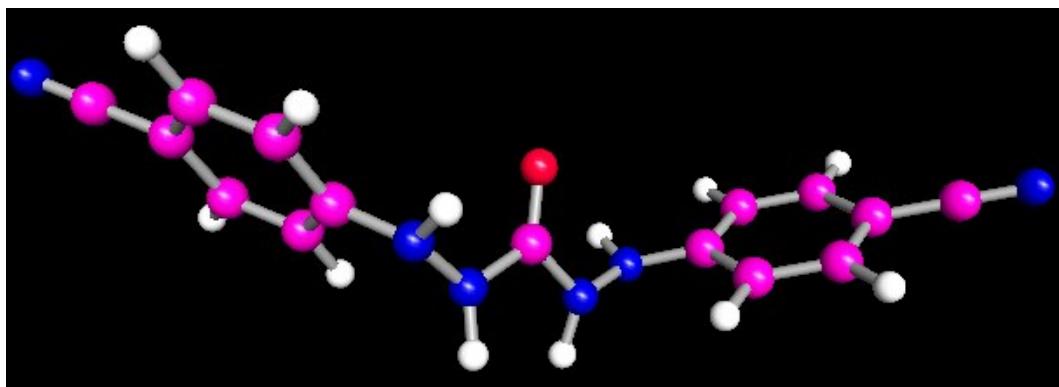


Fig.S16 Geometry optimized structure of **BCC**.

Table S6 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC**

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDINATES		
1O	12.53201083824375	1.48034320735132	22.33571150982292
2N	17.02289360979078	4.10569922191584	21.99273529657129
3N	14.69845807252726	5.26124193996331	21.97427995907610
4N	23.13492847843408	0.45233756641364	11.23361176942516
5C	18.17476864316058	3.32544274517948	19.77842296955096
6C	20.35725059807821	1.76400494828289	19.92423328825179
7C	12.53252905023017	3.79918160149218	22.33499123205869
8C	20.75433379751340	1.81862976614748	15.32348368969362
9C	17.29871773205585	4.11363581560278	17.36761583362893
10C	21.62474128475854	1.02534683535858	17.73806921616976
11C	18.56964302021949	3.37092054592708	15.18046745716510
12C	22.05759011681481	1.06824306557805	13.08060719113199
13N	8.04230384433209	4.10815255783926	22.67949716699315
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18C	4.32183489833091	1.81740717736672	29.35369123818930
19C	7.77511188894708	4.11196891335488	27.30513357962573
20C	3.44628767514020	1.02698749131354	26.94004249866346
21C	6.50782043081492	3.36811005276071	29.49399927357190
22C	3.02242468445554	1.06606211962538	31.59847312533328
23H	17.53163788474084	3.21023380660040	23.63744558505453

24H	14.68423155684202	7.14575063706668	22.44140481203190
25H	21.04949407662330	1.13521917988905	21.78581469004329
26H	15.61142557629032	5.32096148369625	17.23873459331006
27H	23.31031250147836	-0.18618085918014	17.88424217542473
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31H	4.01382116475357	1.14054395411628	22.89124484569887
32H	9.46359142913400	5.31784886664930	27.43197642902431
33H	1.75963694926969	-0.18328171026812	26.79597202040350
34H	7.21198271466137	3.99347590884035	31.34990730926674

Table S7 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC...1F** adduct (with inward directed H)

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDINATES		
1O	12.59725006720808	0.86728717887400	22.82577461568058
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3N	15.28168927485522	4.35126317230547	23.22398441178002
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5C	17.95610970814126	2.93733852338636	19.81083093013518
6C	19.81493934064292	1.20165455038783	18.93044666709589
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13N	8.54513508140695	4.20091306380132	22.61483299287823
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15N	0.00206565207607	2.65977260014793	32.15560895731966
16C	6.88033898244706	3.84555994256903	24.58708874755807
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18C	3.29478632751878	3.22357263750727	28.53754378811962
19C	7.44977197747648	4.65040522833727	27.08736564123045
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22C	1.49190600803597	2.91431544983356	30.52135721465321
23H	18.08646198723167	1.70104760274223	23.53258326861945
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35F	13.74429484784206	8.87763334896865	21.68644479790063
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Table S8 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC...1F** adduct (with outward directed H)

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2N	14.05433965769081	4.86045077156622	16.76846812899463
3N	12.01433786893938	6.28581167533310	17.61351664599185
4N	18.55673178806947	6.41723232783737	4.78563830657395
5C	14.80917623334472	5.24054429560312	14.35869387924807
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11C	14.56097533638232	7.17129443393507	10.13061021383284
12C	17.74302849107211	6.16321351038414	6.84918080165203
13N	6.69180920963246	6.26089535370480	21.76119076940512
14N	8.83623534760481	7.08249663114766	20.53561286090178
15N	6.44477594069084	3.99707185288409	34.46105773837463
16C	6.72462359477525	5.76235819247717	24.32582009849734
17C	4.66484041616948	4.43100786113050	25.42844686503081
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19C	8.70826501330139	6.62936374306201	25.91438925774902
20C	4.59036570137917	3.98318186880035	28.02154583796078
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22C	6.50441510211889	4.38324927723346	32.26996733684503
23N	29.72832138527645	1.98752676776178	29.78046031182072
24C	28.99770042425765	3.06996813700899	32.31175348932031
25C	32.46336621197727	1.19409763875089	29.84059616169944
26C	29.35743543167261	3.96095982843349	27.76088737186690
27C	28.09578973358682	-0.27456139039292	29.20928481619259
28F	16.83839216790840	1.99297406226284	19.07984122167722
29H	15.46990584975823	3.27770155560519	18.21854623388276
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31H	17.94879014383989	2.65423491620776	14.92244536580520
32H	11.87404772866235	7.91052215632039	13.10941556921698
33H	19.68627731525983	3.15621163298426	10.52495397934488
34H	13.58980774686728	8.43764464186150	8.79019027558476
35H	5.41043105430096	5.26755084215833	20.69087632161825
36H	8.66957143395712	8.83835238004581	19.72189129931196
37H	3.11721661607262	3.74405987299070	24.21451974894717
38H	10.30440591384394	7.66030069943562	25.07121829956338
39H	2.98604578408376	2.94223020538126	28.84224986754553
40H	10.18597706000938	6.85766963470563	29.71585091841085
41H	28.65279194277094	-1.05007706425782	27.34825152243787
42H	26.09524416505113	0.33541344264768	29.17089001645472
43H	28.38779272088143	-1.70617620601034	30.70604900886405
44H	29.90073993589927	3.14125178161589	25.91479598587210

45H	27.34373620154951	4.52533773377511	27.73797003159627
46H	30.56734598819385	5.60872091582627	28.20494700107271
47H	32.97297828656979	0.40359772412666	27.97222774254324
48H	33.63875306998734	2.87245700829439	30.26210600049015
49H	32.70948956870168	-0.25376679294585	31.33045751328540
50H	30.21061100762547	4.72763692995264	32.70606126415610
51H	29.28021198049666	1.60205398243450	33.77531085207901
52H	26.98788924434150	3.64468797099288	32.24096964718805

Table S9 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC...2F** adduct (with both outward and inward directed H)

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDINATES		
1O	18.21874265944087	1.28376258887583	23.09635634916463
2N	21.41436553168677	2.62665058055165	18.99217678966489
3N	20.44770345453752	4.28053492138576	20.76422922352828
4N	23.38282312899176	6.52724956460847	6.85417077447445
5C	21.74209668491264	3.52090605240015	16.63154384433797
6C	22.86750583154818	1.84338610389528	14.78875620691731
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8C	22.60105789620000	5.10016489653830	11.49392592287549
9C	21.06414954263889	6.03036234272031	15.78586591932987
10C	23.27703042063355	2.60542612072503	12.32149671133973
11C	21.48847132225743	6.77019361096994	13.30064395471180
12C	23.02656146333751	5.88133956047305	8.96501420951052
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14N	18.39019591267371	5.52788313726641	24.34802244428964
15N	16.65591757229284	2.01784862203715	38.30389857211607
16C	16.40193844165502	4.56917141656699	28.32500701043024
17C	14.13405171458477	3.99123559548850	29.66059318917586
18C	16.53759840138976	3.23517226399325	33.53445083388058
19C	18.74045573004602	4.45710758196343	29.65037624400854
20C	14.20002772445742	3.33993020466457	32.20852079934197
21C	18.80120386722287	3.80439660378056	32.20122870638102
22C	16.60485605660380	2.56754382741875	36.14671393094422
23F	22.97157226483311	-1.70436348921782	19.46254729909574
24H	22.19755597873367	0.19999406362583	19.46266100107231
25H	20.75953155370493	6.26219014950576	20.65669024736920
26H	23.38029076956298	-0.06069383386071	15.45815711215057
27H	20.22217084636653	7.37367467476362	17.13748061567385
28H	24.13402212465753	1.28079068078456	10.95936603388697
29H	20.94869958944347	8.69296287820477	12.70271288090440
30H	14.56523774095084	5.00981237190231	24.92978772354503
31H	18.69685413867943	7.30466352409552	23.49680019734973
32H	12.30971088771286	4.06153789038233	28.65580061665636
33H	20.49492552783238	4.89122188284959	28.62422739311177
34H	12.42649234664905	2.89683567175727	33.20392755095722
35H	20.62789490061017	3.72488962866308	33.19705862259301
36F	20.17771992213326	9.21209683396326	21.31602497701519
37N	22.30484810840700	14.69425706706598	22.91387043280620
38C	23.27206198318066	17.23182825141695	23.73223042240045
39C	19.54332435476023	14.84924141015323	22.21353129256169
40C	22.59179889185353	12.78238767426202	25.01318251850057
41C	23.75160559058666	13.75458853296985	20.64235747829170
42H	22.93070241777437	11.88063328171978	20.17000312946013
43H	25.77599762720343	13.60225014218756	21.15359573413031
44H	23.50337914375470	15.12226518623250	19.07702536207389
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46H	24.62183594141220	12.62455746769835	25.49851184007758

47H	21.50321059747624	13.44800740195599	26.67306511635425
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49H	18.46466231165597	15.49926861786747	23.88604062776128
50H	19.32729794714443	16.21397064150515	20.64075995267742
51H	22.16718505803337	17.87323911140057	25.38992396185973
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57C	31.19264139238376	-8.84211085933781	12.24426324881419
58C	30.48629207905898	-12.11406959653151	15.47285521066422
59H	31.37330852893200	-10.86619603489443	16.89756214989578
60H	31.93763005021153	-13.30276249543794	14.54762644033682
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65H	28.17797548254491	-7.64216048163970	16.14532371471731
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68H	27.10635805007915	-10.95163947971420	10.09189398282481
69H	26.58403090038595	-13.36330747429970	12.47682535366785
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Table S10 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC...2F** adduct (with outward directed H)

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDIATES		
1O	13.08871232264832	10.32281421264942	20.54215195874762
2N	17.69081731972847	12.70725961195193	21.37474240131872
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4N	29.80969854869246	14.98988100995595	17.64902665270397
5C	20.02944263287161	13.19978782378638	20.49684841510114
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7C	13.34925018237490	12.60453081000815	20.12662004376752
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9C	20.60977220938983	14.67751659364860	18.28294896206122
10C	24.60595938693845	12.63541790287074	21.18613038059058
11C	23.09839695450887	15.11194098456819	17.56328895919717
12C	27.69441949209327	14.59435690743681	18.25304929142069
13N	9.11007578330801	13.21201151150496	18.69048587148859
14N	11.34410993372894	14.23480939101205	19.63156395776552
15N	-1.94682193220126	19.76550807779730	19.63812871145880
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22C	-0.01422544476453	18.64644002195248	19.52666734619966
23N	36.45288230689437	16.99306109479291	16.87165613187934
24C	34.88495381267529	18.27979469650078	14.86946755451273
25C	35.46999038736747	17.72743318655610	19.44478989789426
26C	39.17236899980488	17.78532737842776	16.62059729044995
27C	36.23601411475550	14.16811606427062	16.55687466150767
28H	17.51471998108977	11.36106533780595	23.56040235940704
29H	15.67772847876561	15.77184551823984	20.06717298397962
30H	21.66748027987490	11.07100319885263	23.60619484645046

31H	19.05878557645926	15.44429387527148	17.12786345781092
32H	26.17401611148820	11.84584628845224	22.30839800833281
33H	23.48982608220502	16.24089273014118	15.85618561282044
34H	8.93497907699696	11.06026898307895	17.24071674249835
35H	11.78644314738615	16.01828492000405	18.97933266463831
36H	4.85734893367825	11.84600150667466	16.80797161684954
37H	8.49112863090704	17.68606285220227	21.35250271087457
38H	0.73852724613164	14.18664662438635	17.10683742045076
39H	4.45050343758874	20.00854336291346	21.63673907717367
40H	37.38033134224560	13.24077458989395	18.04334521017934
41H	36.95721946551865	13.65039863830803	14.66230553209922
42H	34.21614577925330	13.65144574402587	16.74744122487752
43H	40.29143541007113	16.82511326370202	18.10436319417313
44H	39.86130587635584	17.23192658383390	14.72426394477254
45H	39.29352384144902	19.86138888422236	16.85478681237129
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47H	35.62626479315723	19.80382199827422	19.65141994418127
48H	33.46980616681378	17.11971746105075	19.56936454269455
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55C	-7.38286565439212	22.26083955460884	16.76319076322525
56C	-6.63437389054543	24.36552921534555	20.83605432324108
57C	-10.99236224447460	23.72707454051349	19.31839554934652
58H	-10.90008001829171	25.57639070635402	18.34521323463857
59H	-11.68945401196670	23.97458464997133	21.27551534759728
60H	-12.24111277044747	22.41881670362707	18.26653305868230
61H	-6.58878145258237	26.20933512635636	19.84850259154448
62H	-7.37134130778481	24.60707148629887	22.77948523785381
63H	-4.73123024168022	23.49535083144745	20.86915655633497
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65H	-5.45836763898266	21.44704488386596	16.89844732810691
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67H	-6.49347520611049	19.33125669511912	20.78022650706914
68H	-9.71060788348160	18.81148513350301	19.66348131279612
69H	-9.17505255316995	20.36950522072816	22.67398938590408
70F	17.76668118978848	10.31464157540408	25.32285770482842

Table S11 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC...3F** adduct

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDINATES		
1O	12.87156589553122	9.43035148377639	21.67407763128197
2N	17.52076947556874	12.14250424783824	22.17683375780555
3N	15.20771196852301	13.18771677874302	21.55548754959757
4N	28.60661989516130	16.99438494313866	17.75205350753246
5C	19.61989340796427	13.21918258486708	21.23815272469088
6C	22.02776126917244	12.19961557228810	22.05056346562211
7C	13.15090152859774	11.65502918367102	20.97425986653267
8C	24.33144112899518	15.23536555348944	19.40414527685883
9C	19.67440807227455	15.31603945498679	19.47626743234334
10C	24.28500435374097	13.16421597152109	21.16573269552467
11C	21.95914162428323	16.26528297673896	18.60485496747116
12C	26.64768008503372	16.20494601137421	18.49817631725420
13N	8.97866783350312	12.28912403749749	19.24957564213848
14N	11.46646224949129	13.01943467997697	19.50906628908987

15N	-0.47963680747728	20.95416521202424	18.06957315684070
16C	7.22705034947332	14.10781268413547	18.99153088174575
17C	4.64347138172804	13.32104218825813	18.53966957739885
18C	3.20213133229239	17.73089902111452	18.45228995747862
19C	7.71407856391607	16.80060604100351	19.13061326329277
20C	2.71560650132571	15.06028589741441	18.28354860466674
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22C	1.21265636159243	19.49578350259508	18.23586324907677
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26C	38.27157927020237	18.00070339660626	16.18648059381224
27C	34.71965248402814	14.99123487694534	16.31855622999130
28F	7.14634279664311	8.08486151980724	18.74054714066079
29N	-6.99855844356287	23.16184389707968	19.17974018270098
30C	-6.86213243019581	20.42904406781510	19.97252583225397
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32C	-5.18045548839140	24.68419851749739	20.76215556738467
33C	-9.64476608136241	24.13605963689277	19.54328295291692
34F	18.50735929867223	8.79060633975556	25.18290644861806
35H	17.83885072862550	10.25123520228975	23.83176355770685
36H	15.06590632810824	15.05718284144911	20.80658670483055
37H	21.94813058138684	10.61715580706052	23.40178478437466
38H	17.87318971637275	16.15845926760293	18.83888488585687
39H	26.08605674791728	12.33603739727758	21.81030765805030
40H	21.95335264548797	17.84974481734972	17.24884645601946
41H	8.17505396879742	9.87272635318253	19.02973493643109
42H	12.12273782238141	14.85980330904466	18.96739172494742
43H	4.31255728650756	11.26898893185674	18.41556508842504
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46H	6.16818747380756	20.56445219426899	19.00734586568748
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52H	38.78434261097946	20.01909309116202	16.38670208725710
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56H	34.60710091407066	21.28678060557523	14.89784885175300
57H	32.00450762016661	19.03389276147171	15.02947938528903
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62H	-5.28941569185242	26.68543162971173	20.16256508455672
63H	-5.73067648550096	24.50161761311858	22.77253614862296
64H	-3.25710924768647	23.91955739606387	20.44388493431435
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69H	-8.18320829598160	19.32024648131105	18.78784772635652
70H	-7.40744921020504	20.28804045660190	21.98770957392932
71F	13.88429486342990	17.25527266461193	19.08633669803618
72N	15.92542862673279	30.97467102729723	20.84357594526996
73C	13.37187152681412	29.86017390349689	21.43650955065385

74C	16.31461706856248	31.00843525503248	18.02227943296681
75C	17.95667475273738	29.39357721363373	22.06359771327386
76C	16.05907251940647	33.63471422785152	21.85174712667519
77H	17.94141717897288	34.42918963696014	21.40142692248041
78H	15.77232753039130	33.58234893039467	23.92313661522455
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81H	17.64551166501717	29.38323834425169	24.13185699020647
82H	17.83851797632418	27.44870152268750	21.30391001929199
83H	18.19374450216737	31.83181541909133	17.61440631348357
84H	16.21546889627990	29.04477367885464	17.30830062216332
85H	14.81033734776348	32.17247360894646	17.15176393824099
86H	13.30189986049912	27.90889047577761	20.68627105098028
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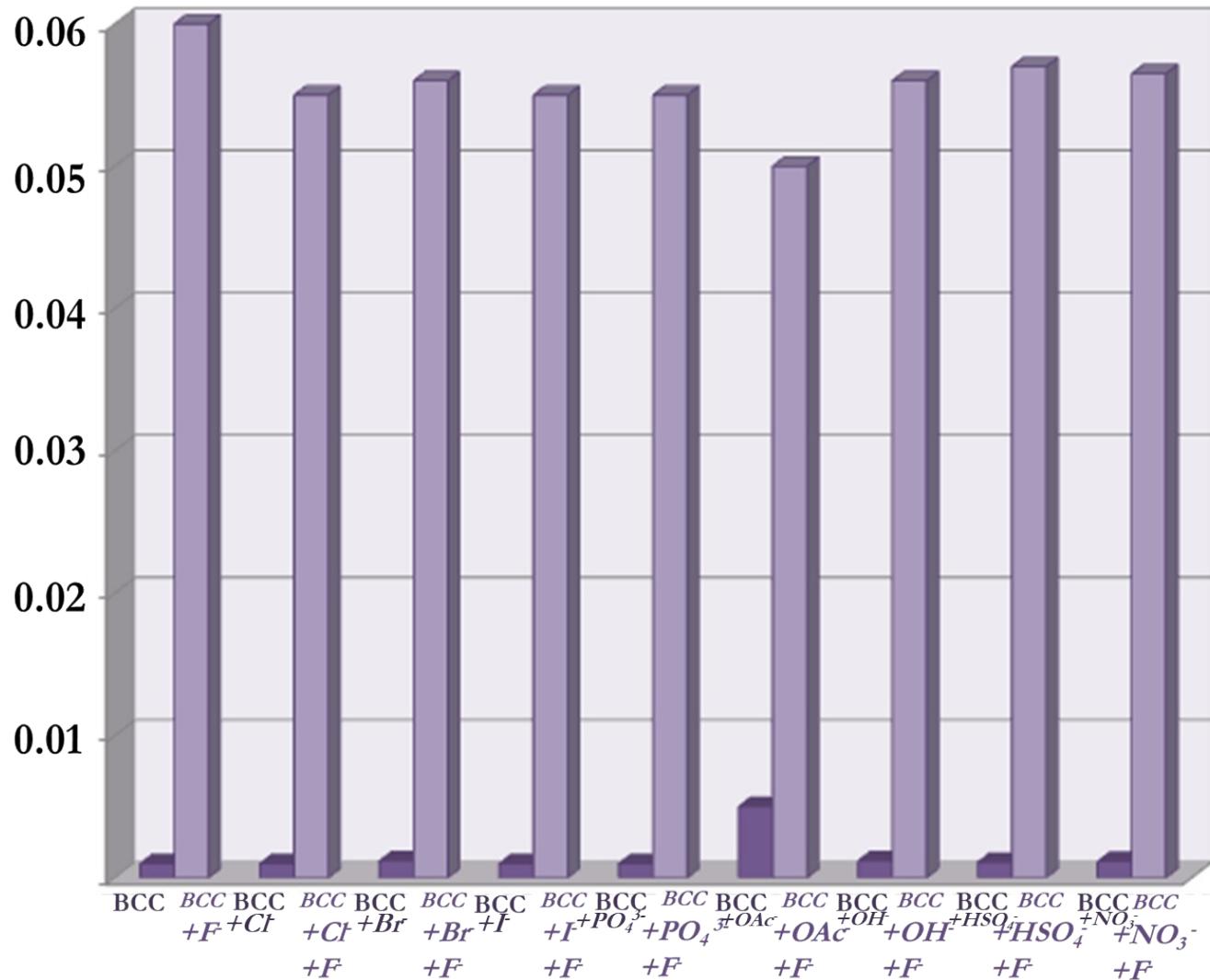


Fig.S17 Interference study in F⁻ detection with **BCC** in presence of various other anions.

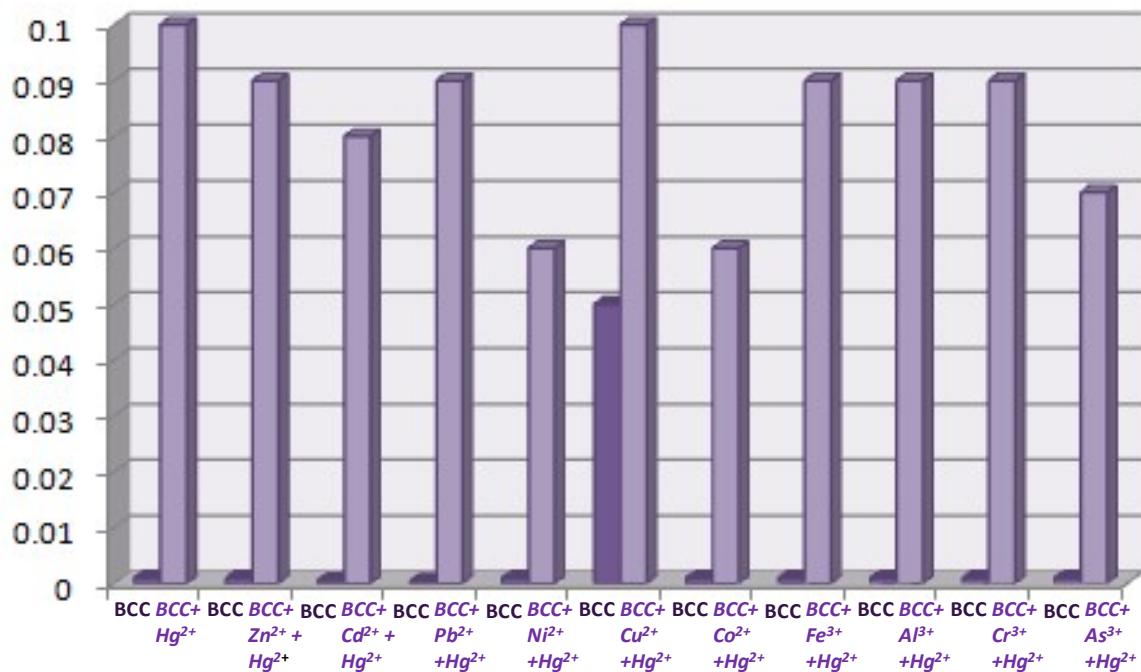


Fig.S18 Interference study in Hg^{2+} detection with **BCC** in presence of various other cations.

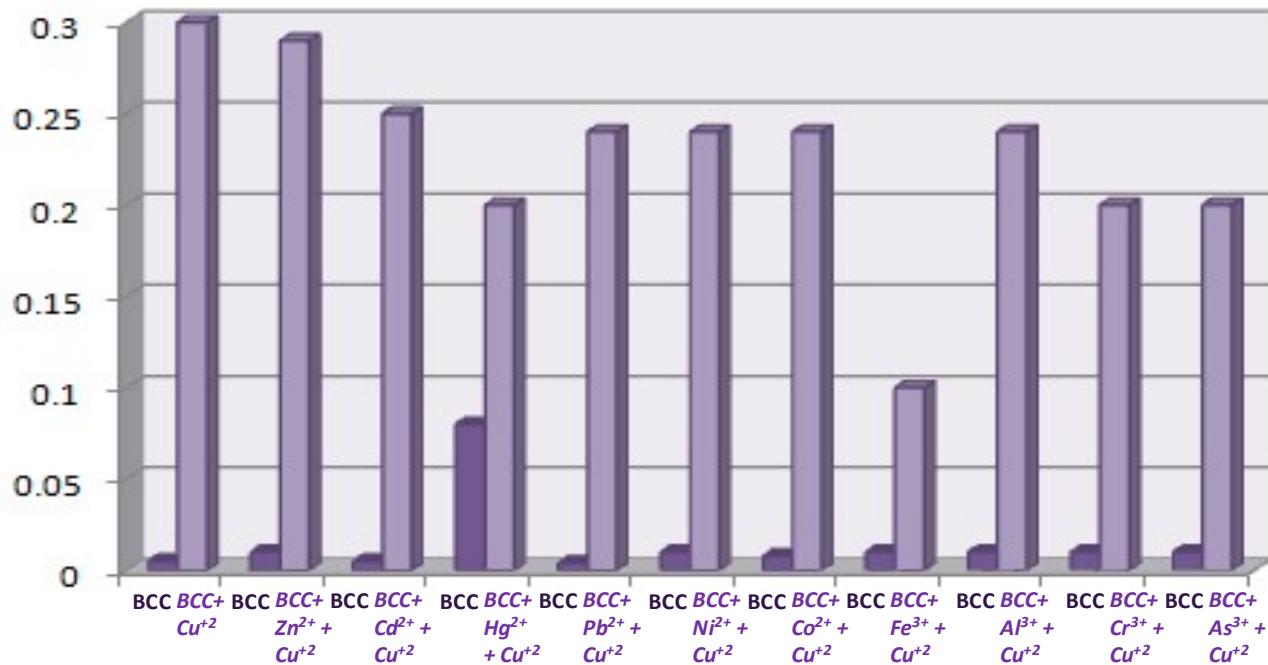
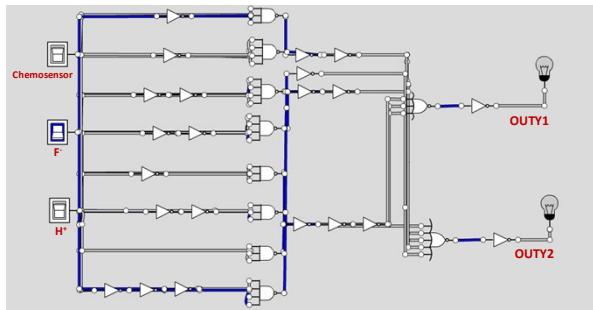
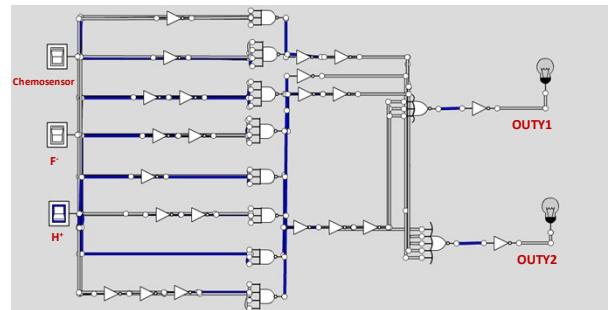


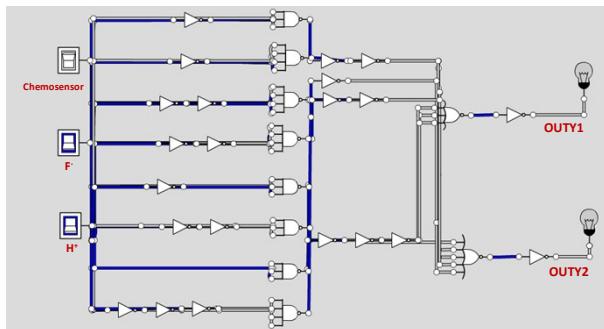
Fig.S19 Interference study in Cu^{2+} detection with **BCC** in presence of various other cations.



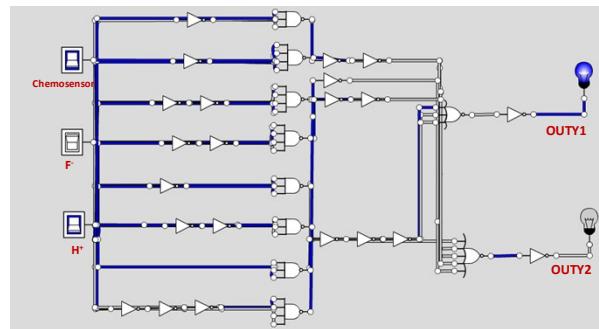
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In1:In2:In3::001



In1:In2:In3::011



In1:In2:In3::101

Fig.S20 Fabrication of logic gate with outputs (Y1 and Y2) upon altering inputs of NAND-NOT-NOR-OR logic functions for BCC with F^- and H^+

Removal efficiency calculation

Removal efficiency of 1mg BCC in 50 ml contaminated water was calculated by following the equation,

$$\% R = [(C_0 - C_t)/C_0] \times 100$$

where R is the removal efficiency, C_0 is the initial concentration of the metal ions and C_t is the concentration of metal ions after some times.

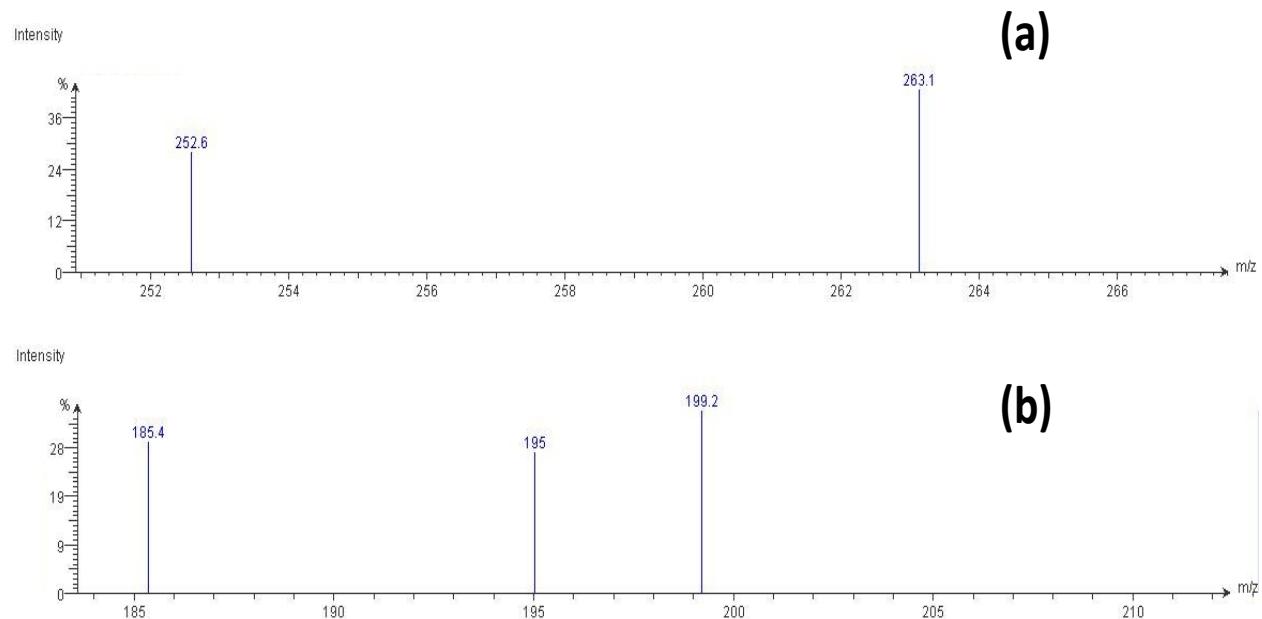


Fig.S21 ESI-Mass data of (a) BCC-Hg complex and (b) BCC-Cu complex

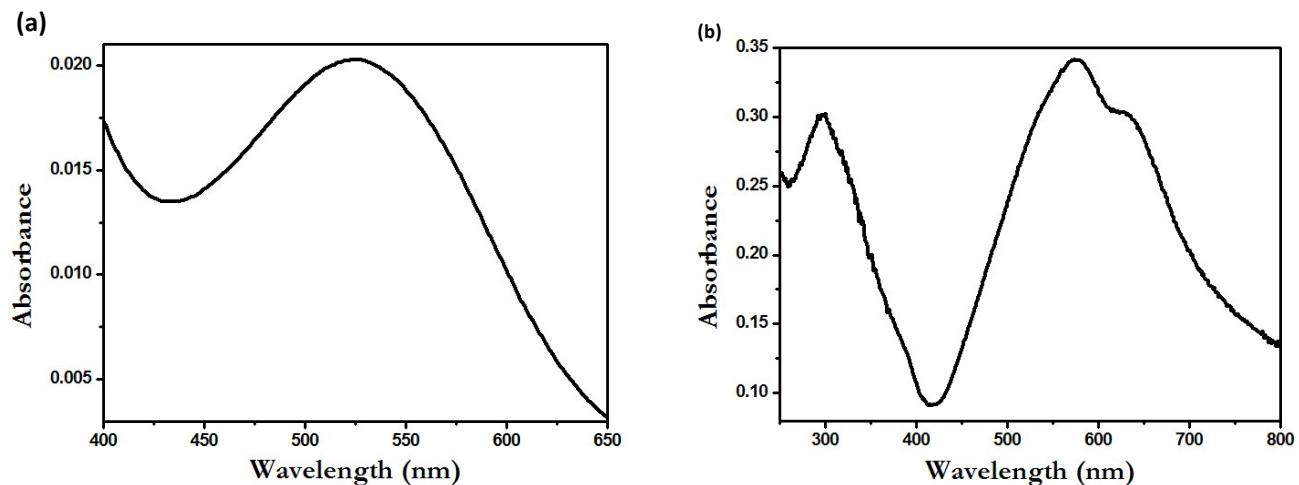


Fig.S22 UV-Vis spectra of (a) BCC-Hg complex and (b) BCC-Cu complex

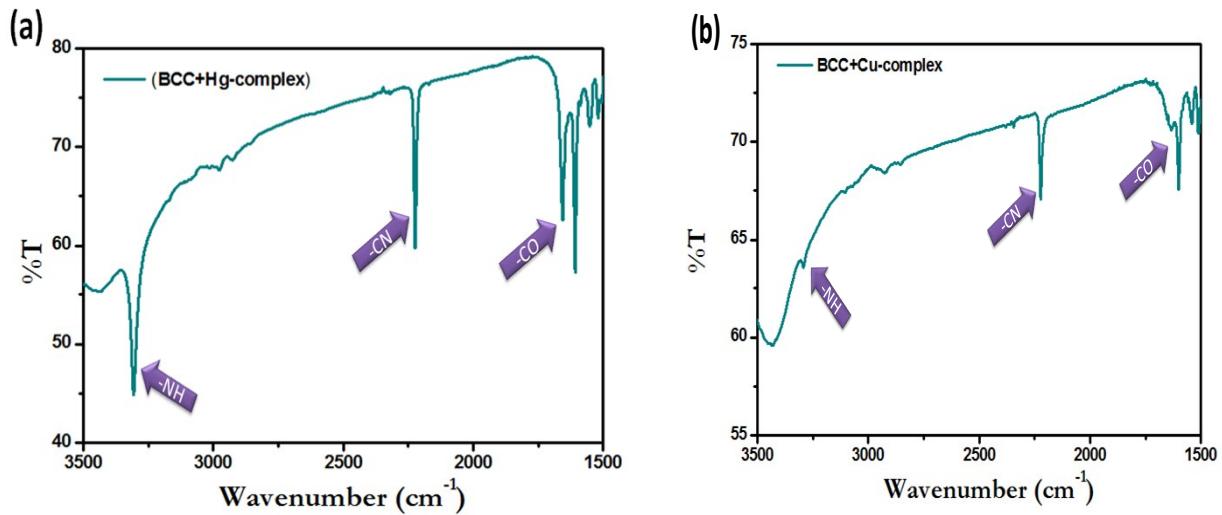


Fig.S23 FTIR spectra of (a) **BCC**-Hg complex and (b) **BCC**-Cu complex

Table S12 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC**-Hg complex

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDINATES		
1 O	13.14730550621867	0.96096150711042	22.43774887268930
2 N	17.46233049788306	3.08563329096923	23.49364961039820
3 N	15.30560818045922	4.64137236860409	23.25019526347381
4 N	28.34349552946569	6.76547977619332	17.39584217846211
5 C	19.74449082393556	3.94809004651991	22.16283513998411
6 C	21.44485299320182	2.07408866575091	21.33322353616873
7 C	13.04054424686012	3.23897666141345	22.91767598951053
8 C	24.19438306056419	5.40211719077122	19.70390837832215
9 C	20.22967731448792	6.53494923108015	21.79480495231071
10 C	23.67186640247834	2.79935243142044	20.09838161365332
11 C	22.46057873725970	7.26066425663794	20.55723117359594
12 C	26.47989422882325	6.15320030459308	18.43304066758213
13 N	8.57795189253589	3.64724980065010	22.50899507928622
14 N	10.88494400349093	4.66784121467497	23.16680069565427
15 N	-0.63971954911367	0.67228282856531	31.08024793147961
16 C	6.73555308777518	3.10596566083848	24.30542780966877
17 C	4.26697522380971	2.44303550293939	23.46047258944302
18 C	2.89018621295093	1.84543386449541	27.83930121807823
19 C	7.24754585871285	3.14782462191024	26.94249466907549
20 C	2.37976721881128	1.81992407582683	25.19597412087522
21 C	5.35293078258033	2.52343091654722	28.67763220839244
22 C	0.95306850585943	1.20186852234053	29.62070199672966
23 O	-18.18502734115069	4.79926963625170	25.82193901710866
24 O	52.09559399834301	16.01350392236974	20.84300500967180
25 CL	42.82486172823075	-13.46226669064826	17.42162094117930
26 H	15.32815590624445	6.26874976632511	24.30352652110425
27 H	21.03650391475915	0.05652642374617	21.62972033265694
28 H	18.90156624157482	7.99239775512625	22.43841453389445
29 H	24.99816408754149	1.35002710545882	19.42658795061410
30 H	22.85338884928974	9.27630783224617	20.25044310577014

31 H	11.01076107157447	6.60012155006754	23.37019154820265
32 H	3.85056099717351	2.41906349870187	21.42233469214451
33 H	9.13711645459712	3.67298666205897	27.62305755285328
34 H	0.48374361816028	1.31011696733416	24.51406597407983
35 H	5.77700963301877	2.55913912643354	30.71203689575155
36 H	8.04752728778968	3.86753535091259	20.65833267201164
37 H	16.84289624893310	1.34859487832854	22.76101034012525
38 H	-19.48084950897651	4.38564712846290	24.55400593667680
39 H	-17.62034960786146	6.48769517522717	25.28485333167247
40 H	53.91064853937082	16.19188812095273	20.48031969274126
41 H	52.04810982192947	16.07456290202823	22.70099174960003
42 HG	18.36467583466006	1.86804518817292	27.58571326179186
43 CL	19.30124317890069	0.68249050506847	31.83339077005658

Table S13 Cartesian coordinates of geometry optimized structure of **BCC-Cu complex**

ATOM	CARTESIAN COORDINATES		
1 O	16.26562675496233	6.19766048552976	27.35760109024318
2 N	14.82390407035849	5.50485141041536	20.74805324560469
3 N	15.93922431341578	5.23379805125421	23.20024220233882
4 N	20.79031570281127	-1.27219410663119	11.38490743907879
5 C	16.14260270005684	4.06023181000732	18.81556750922886
6 C	17.05976609096401	1.60450067153271	19.32561801720950
7 C	14.85298406002678	5.82595986596186	25.53932736454441
8 C	18.53793460814737	1.29551143465877	14.95093304852937
9 C	16.43294833868410	5.14606229112520	16.39174675247256
10 C	18.25235907587829	0.23274985356469	17.40116979034541
11 C	17.61121911990028	3.76819616296595	14.46341348040074
12 C	19.77623007872170	-0.11622636699741	12.98686118065239
13 N	10.24525142006554	5.77484071295245	24.16991880740888
14 N	12.25161530035806	5.85483719906102	25.93973386606805
15 N	0.10781861076337	-1.81458892578899	27.10270715635855
16 C	8.13154916145231	4.20418177109505	24.91362551262790
17 C	5.68683443325525	4.88485535427363	24.07100784044965
18 C	3.96757778302205	1.07910494677847	26.05143208067218
19 C	8.50013907173740	1.97477111832231	26.33939667980092
20 C	3.61964174689641	3.33207827012109	24.62937440682728
21 C	6.42764291752365	0.42117578593147	26.90166492276301
22 C	1.84439374895066	-0.51323101294223	26.63222359507191
23 CU	11.15877875977406	4.19788786162426	20.55570512057508
24 O	8.31536716299262	4.59590174885010	17.97800873972442
25 O	11.13864622004361	0.16714712560777	20.73499138405289
26 H	17.85186489963533	5.58411533398494	23.22034284700474
27 H	16.82585384685804	0.77071176224834	21.20982097415853
28 H	15.74756433761821	7.07332402449338	16.01485725618486
29 H	18.96491091865294	-1.67869402314480	17.79206251944786
30 H	17.83874597735145	4.61735955535156	12.58154668780505
31 H	11.77712419575770	6.48200752816380	27.71554110961214
32 H	5.40207671116427	6.62912758309203	22.97496011836961
33 H	10.39442710581698	1.46341154746478	27.01594266899680
34 H	1.72384176558352	3.86928504556408	23.97285538524562
35 H	6.71692332026430	-1.31038347962238	28.01156609752556
36 H	10.85987497088563	-0.81231415927949	19.17630422613635
37 H	7.53098808635840	6.25533828185687	17.67222991828071
38 H	10.10443644762716	-0.67727921131666	22.03404481398701

39 H	6.92877101497854	3.35394252598211	17.95925665314118
40 N	-7.46840001754697	11.42758234419771	43.93404005816619
41 O	-5.76776202994653	11.64939962527685	45.59718561863373
42 O	-9.75924668596564	11.77657414831791	44.51416823329041
43 O	-6.87767937322335	10.85678814022704	41.69073254023245
44 H	14.78425196092137	7.39066561362631	20.23592423327266
45 H	9.63969816412605	7.58368879316990	23.75541291079895
46 N	30.69860146252874	-4.95877334739814	-0.34569974227716
47 O	32.19794969312954	-6.81810106469233	-0.36488168345784
48 O	28.80876965136397	-4.96335533193079	1.11548339609789
49 O	31.08889923464034	-3.09464119415583	-1.78761017689559

In Vitro recognition studies:

In vitro detection of F⁻, Hg²⁺ and Cu²⁺ is of enormous significant as all of these analytes are fatal above their permissible limits. Acquainted by this fact, intracellular detection of the analytes was carried out with **BCC** by using *Bauhinia acuminata* pollen cell. The cells were incubated with the chemosensor and the analytes separately for approximately 30 minutes and centrifuged in 1000 rpm for 5 minutes. Then they were washed with 10mM HEPES-buffer twice. After that each of the analyte treated cells were incubated with the chemosensor treated cells individually for another 30 minutes. Thereafter these were centrifuged and washed similarly. Finally the cells obtained in this method were mounted on clean glass slide and thereby visualized under the Leica DM 1000 Fluorescence microscope with UV filter.

The controlled untreated cell didn't result any emission when observed under the fluorescence microscope where the chemosensor treated cell showed slight emission which by the addition of the analytes resulted an enhanced cyan emission.



Fig.S24 Fluorescence microscopic images of untreated *Bauhinia acuminata* pollen cell

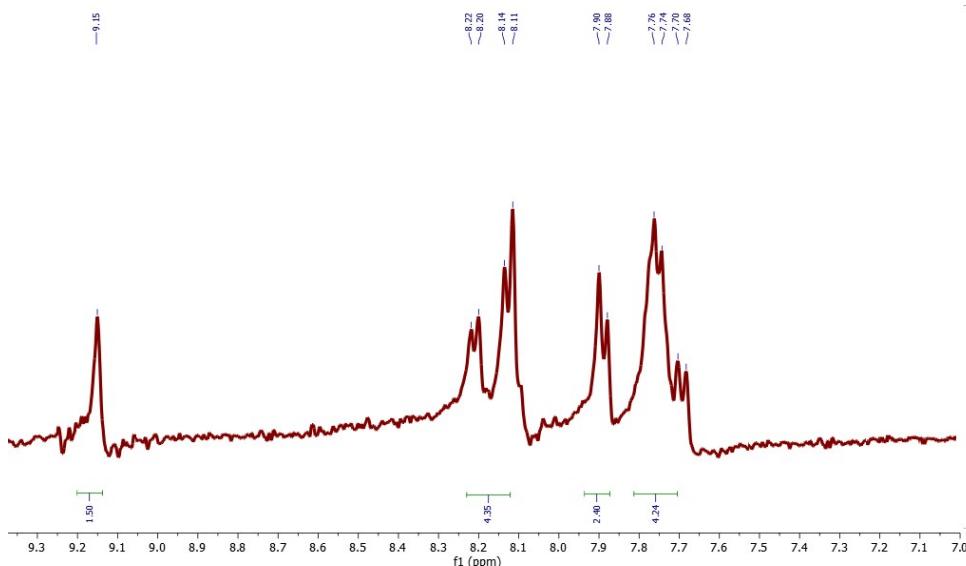


Fig.S25 ^1H -NMR spectra of **BCC-Hg complex**

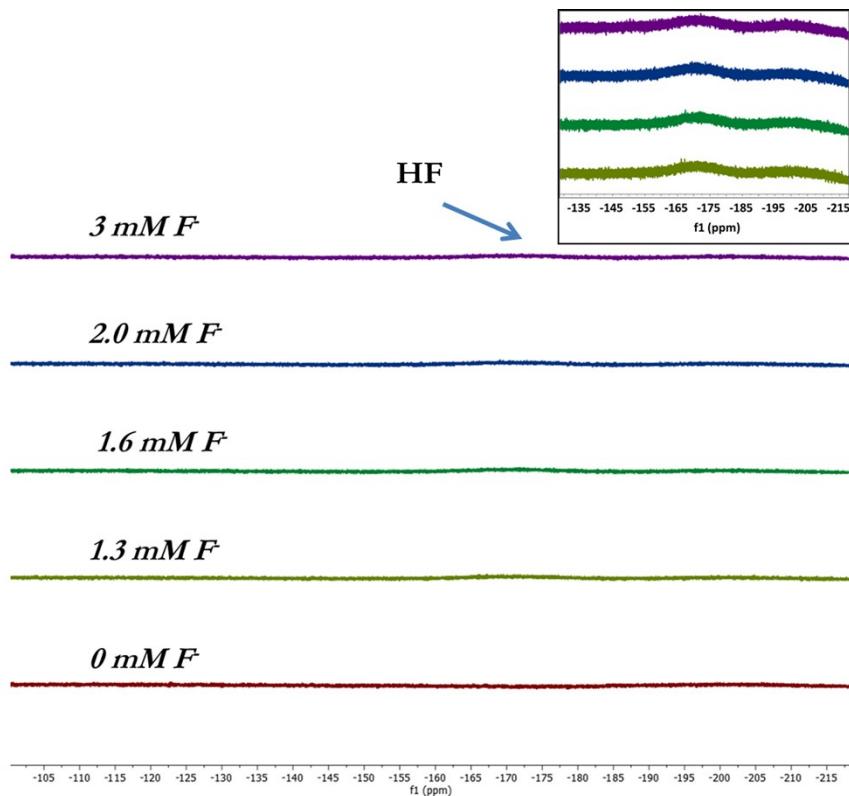


Fig.S26 ^{19}F NMR spectra of **BCC** by the addition of TBAF; inset: magnified image of the HF peak