

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

Aminoquinoline based biocompatible fluorescent and colorimetric pH sensor designed for cancer cell discrimination

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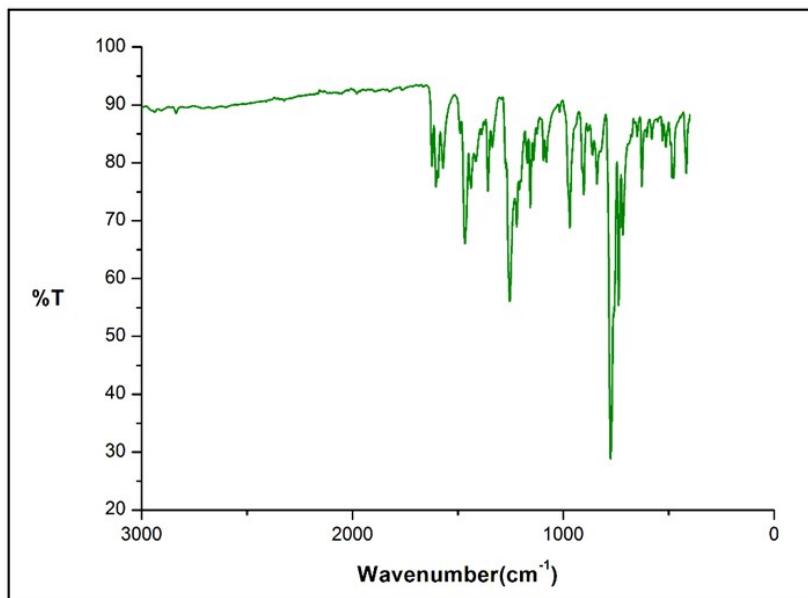


Fig.S1. FTIR spectrum of chemosensor (**HL**).

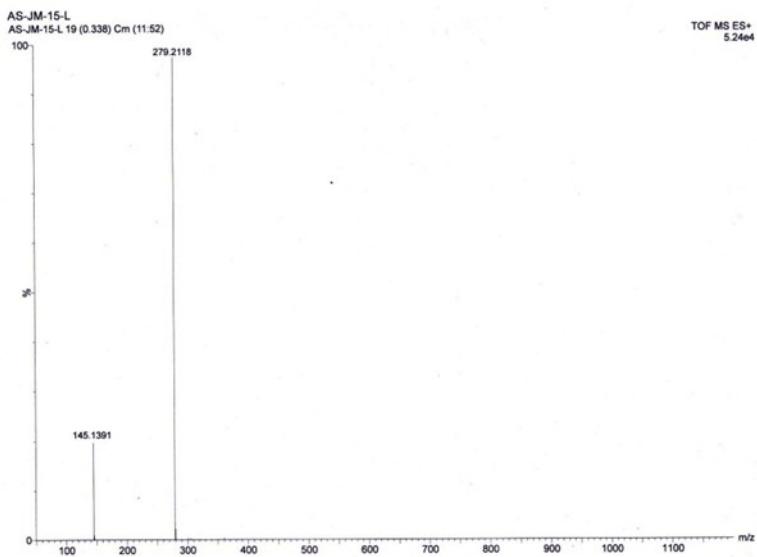


Fig. S2. ESI-mass spectrum of chemosensor (**HL**).

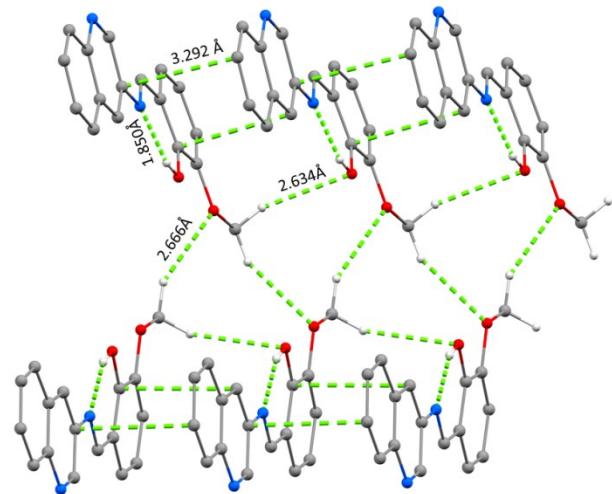


Fig. S3. Different supramolecular interaction of **HL** along with *c* axis.

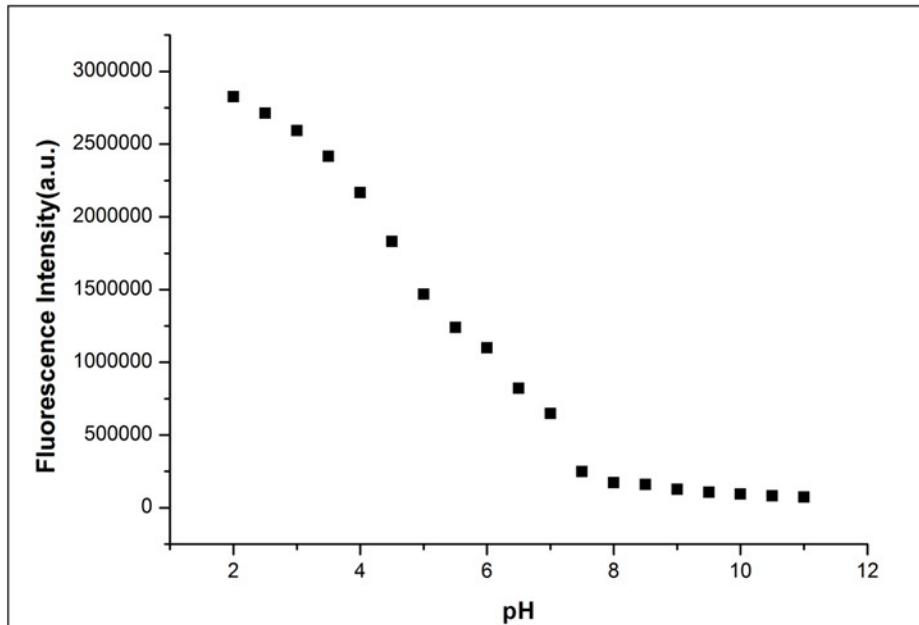


Fig. S4. The plot of emission intensities at 460 nm vs. pH of the medium.

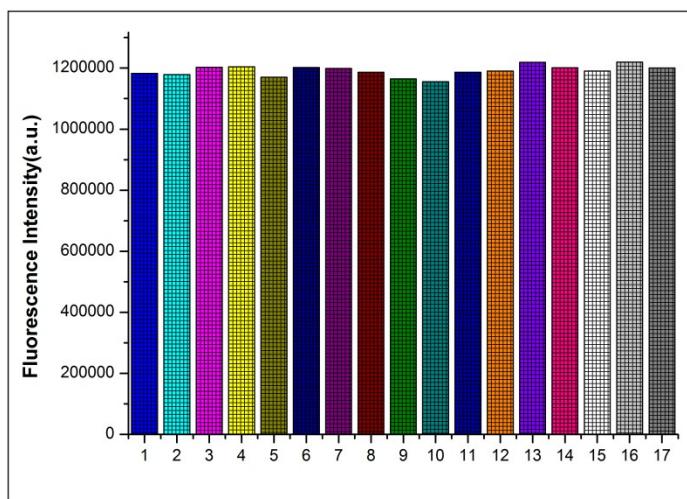


Fig. S5. Fluorescence intensity of (1) **HL** and **HL** in the presence of (2) Na^+ , (3) K^+ , (4) Ca^{2+} , (5) Cd^{2+} , (6) Cu^{2+} , (7) Mn^{2+} , (8) Fe^{3+} , (9) Co^{2+} , (10) Zn^{2+} , (11) Ni^{2+} , (12) NO_3^- , (13) Cl^- , (14) SO_4^{2-} , (15) PO_4^{3-} , (16) PF_6^- and (17) SO_3^{3-} at pH 5.0

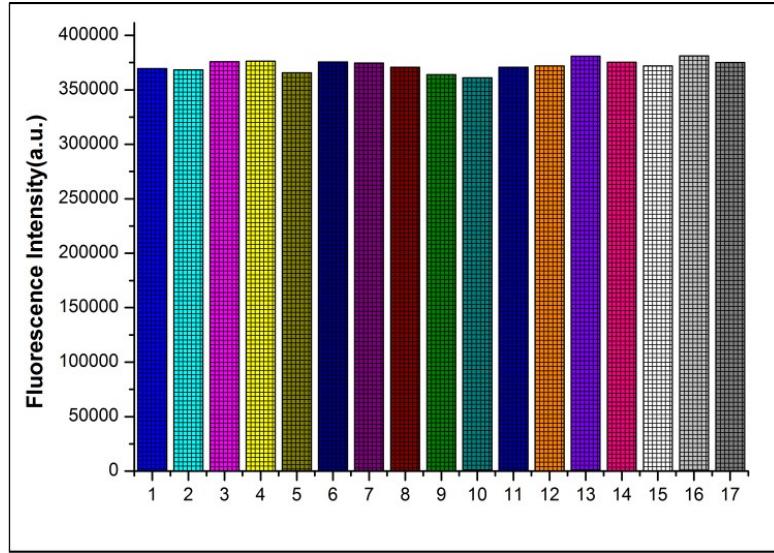


Fig.S6. Fluorescence intensity of (1) **HL** and **HL** in the presence of (2) Na^+ , (3) K^+ , (4) Ca^{2+} , (5) Cd^{2+} , (6) Cu^{2+} , (7) Mn^{2+} , (8) Fe^{3+} , (9) Co^{2+} , (10) Zn^{2+} , (11) Ni^{2+} , (12) NO_3^- , (13) Cl^- , (14) SO_4^{2-} , (15) PO_4^{3-} , (16) PF_6^- and (17) SO_3^{3-} at pH 8.0

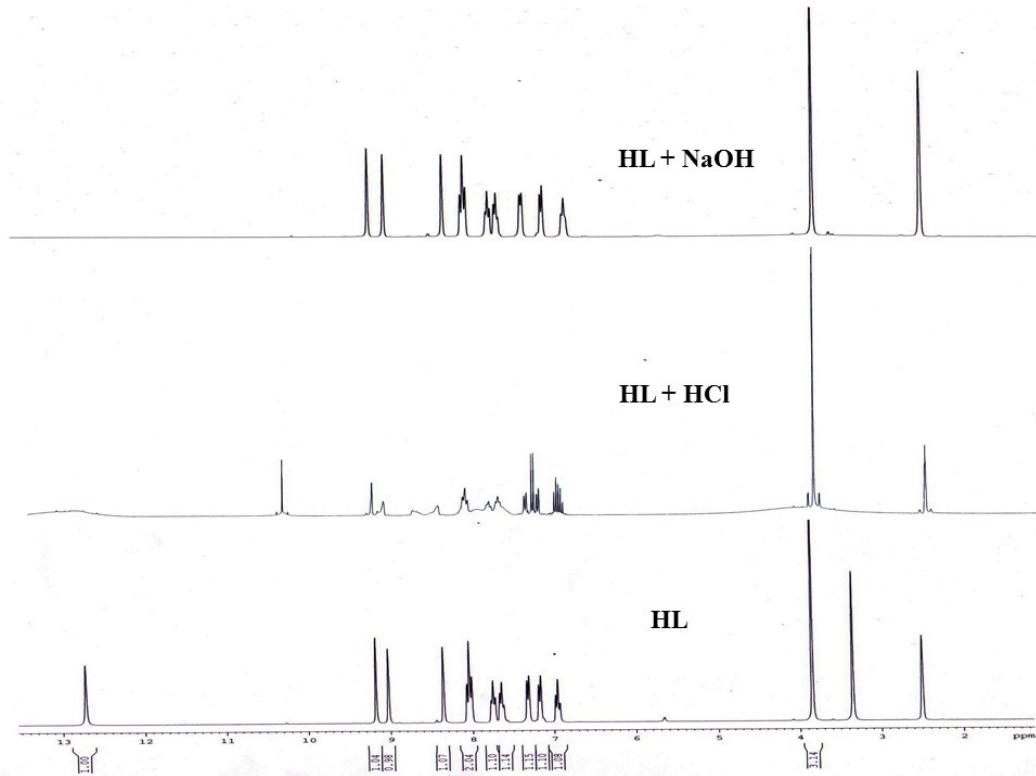


Fig. S7. ^1H NMR spectrum of **HL**, **HL** + HCl and **HL** + NaOH in d_6 -DMSO solvent.

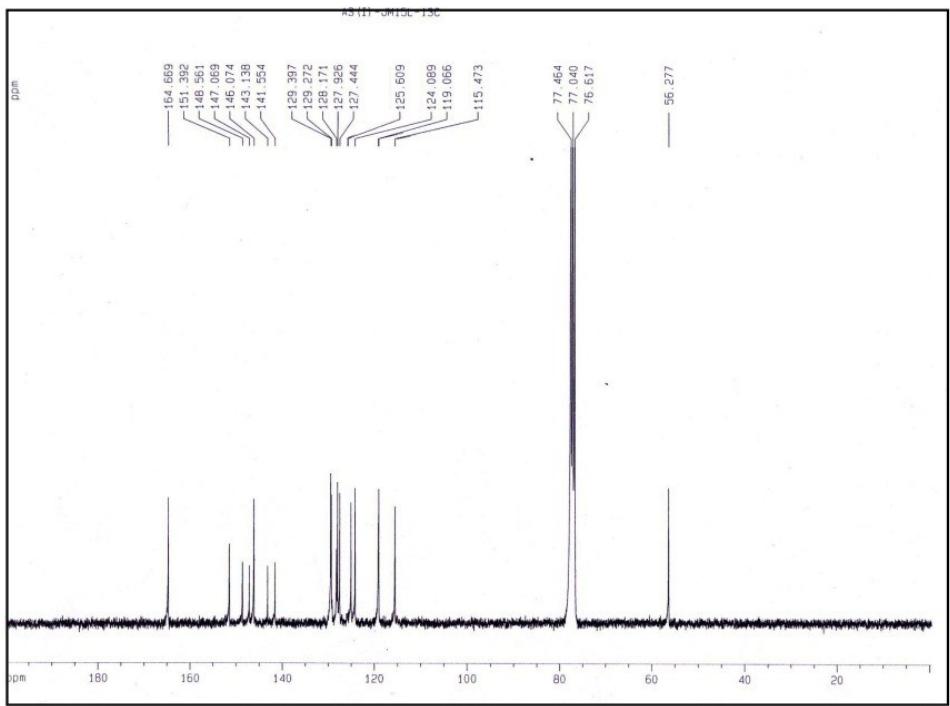
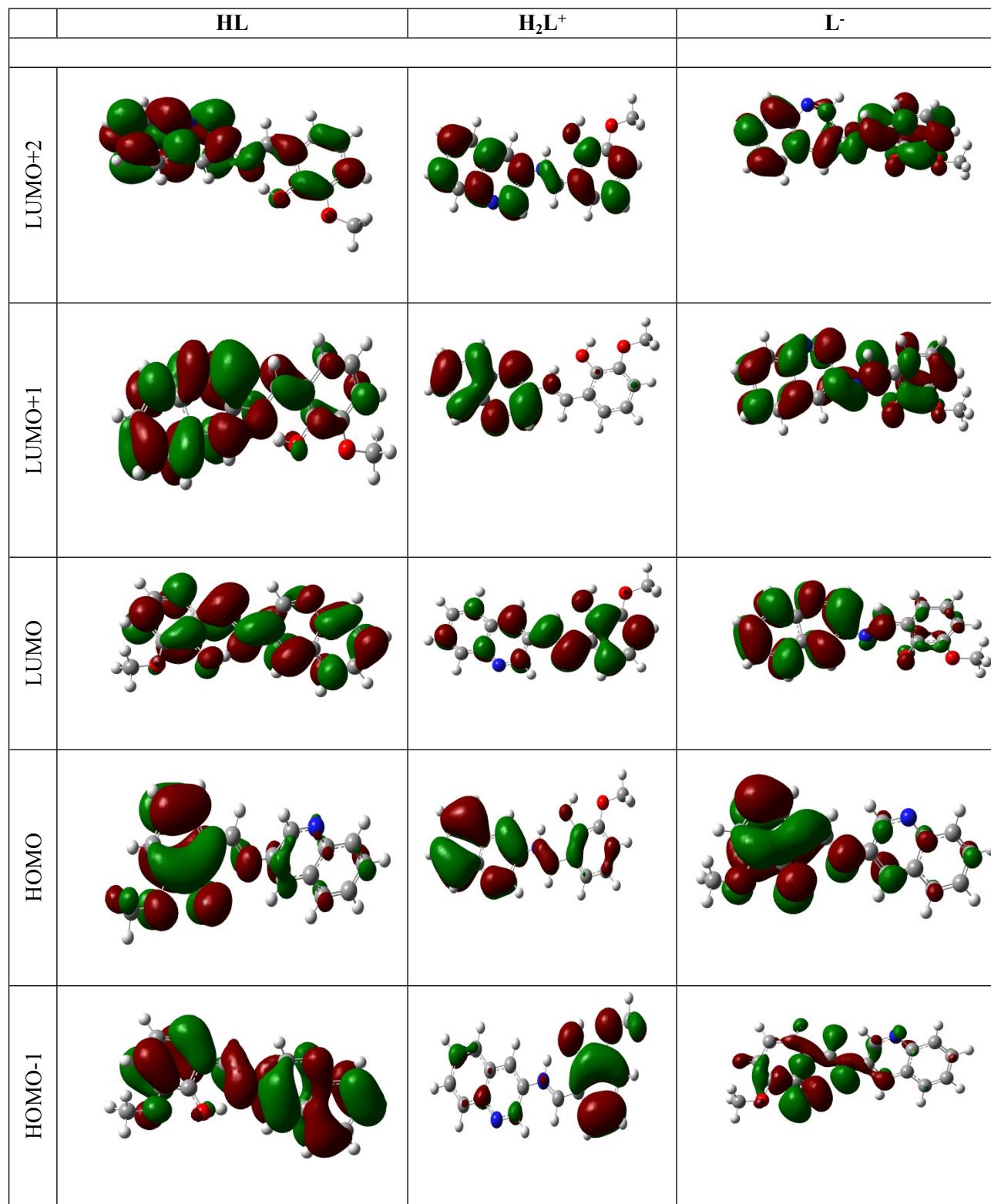


Fig. S8 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **HL** in $\text{d}_6\text{-DMSO}$



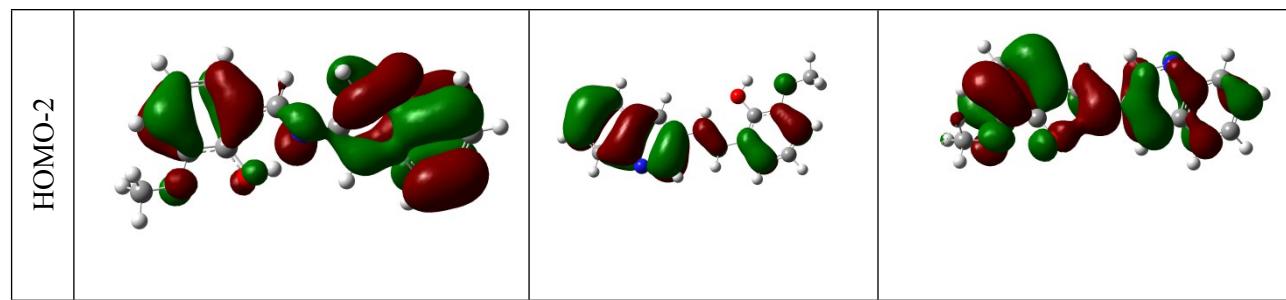


Fig.S9. Selected contour plots of molecular orbitals of **HL**, **H₂L⁺** and **L⁻**.

Table S1. Crystal data and details of data collection and refinement of **HL**.

Compound	HL
Empirical formula	'C ₁₇ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₃ '
Formula weight	294.30
Temperature (K)	150 (2)
Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group	I b a 2
<i>a</i> (Å)	16.631(3)
<i>B</i> (Å)	30.140(5)
<i>c</i> (Å)	6.2400(10)
α (°)	90

β (°)	90
γ (°)	90
Volume (Å ³)	3127.8(9)
Z	4
D_{calc} (g cm ⁻³)	1.216
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	0.083
$F(000)$	1200
θ Range for data collection (°)	1.351-27.140
Reflections collected	8905
Independent reflections / R _{int}	1612/ 0.1279
Data / restraints / parameters	2406/1/201
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.143
Final indices[I>2σ(I)]	R1=0.1279 wR2=0.3040
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0911 wR2 = 0.2711
Largest diff. peak / hole (e Å ⁻³)	0.975/-0.389

Table S2. Energy (eV) of selected M.O.s of **HL**, **H₂L⁺** and **L⁻**.

	HL	H₂L⁺	L⁻
	Energy(eV)	Energy(eV)	Energy(eV)
LUMO+5	5.08	-2.39	5.08
LUMO+4	4.68	-2.64	4.68
LUMO+3	3.56	-3.43	3.56
LUMO+2	3.27	-3.48	3.27
LUMO+1	2.31	-4.51	2.31
LUMO	1.58	-6.26	1.58
HOMO	-0.83	-9.29	-0.83
HOMO-1	-1.64	-9.60	-1.64
HOMO-2	-2.28	-9.74	-2.28
HOMO-3	-2.78	-10.11	-2.78
HOMO-4	-3.57	-10.73	-3.57
HOMO-5	-3.73	-11.59	-3.73