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Diffusive and Non-diffusive Photo-induced Proton Coupled Electron Transfer from hydrogen bonded phenols to meso-tetrakis-5,10,15,20-Pentafluorophenyl Porphyrin

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Derivation of modified Stern-Volmer equation

<u>Case.1</u>: Quenching is competitive process to the fluorescence, $K_Q \neq 0$

$$\frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + \frac{(K_{QB} - K_Q) * K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0}$$
(5)

where $I_0\&$ I are fluorescence intensities in the absence and presence of quencher respectively. $K_{QB}\&$ K_Q are Stern-Volmer constants of hydrogen bonded phenol and free phenol respectively. Q and B represents corresponding phenol and pyridine base respectively and K_{HB} is the hydrogen bond equilibrium constant between phenol and base.

Using Stern-Volmer equation, the fluorescence quenching of $H_2F_{20}TPP$ by both free and hydrogen bonded phenol is given by eq.1

$$\frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_Q[Q] + K_{QB}[QB] \rightarrow$$
(1)

where QB is the hydrogen bonded complex and other terms have their usual meaning. Hydrogen bond equilibrium(K_{HB}) for the complex formation can be calculated as follows,

$$Q + B \rightleftharpoons QB$$

$$\Rightarrow K_{HB} = \frac{[QB]}{[Q] * [B]} \rightarrow (2)$$

and again $[Q]_0 = [Q] + [QB], [B]_0 = [B] + [QB] \rightarrow (3)$

where $[Q]_0, [B]_0$ are the total concentration of phenol and base respectively. substituting the values from (3) in to (2),

$$(2) \Rightarrow K_{HB} = \frac{[QB]}{([Q]_0 - [QB]) * ([B]_0 - [QB])} \Rightarrow K_{HB} \{ ([Q]_0 - [QB]) * ([B]_0 - [QB]) \} = [QB]$$

$$\Rightarrow K_{HB}([Q]_0 * [B]_0 - [Q]_0 * [QB] - [B]_0 * [QB] + [QB]^2) = [QB] \rightarrow$$
(4)

since [QB] is very small, so $[QB]^2$ can be neglected

$$(4) \Rightarrow K_{HB}([Q]_{0} * [B]_{0} - [Q]_{0} * [QB] - [B]_{0} * [QB]) = [QB]$$

$$\Rightarrow K_{HB} * [Q]_{0} * [B]_{0} - K_{HB} * [QB]([Q]_{0} + [B]_{0}) = [QB]$$

$$\Rightarrow K_{HB} * [Q]_{0} * [B]_{0} = K_{HB} * [QB]([Q]_{0} + [B]_{0}) + [QB]$$

$$\Rightarrow K_{HB} * [Q]_{0} * [B]_{0} = \{K_{HB} * ([Q]_{0} + [B]_{0}) + 1\} * [QB]$$

$$\Rightarrow [QB] = \frac{K_{HB} * [Q]_{0} * [B]_{0}}{1 + K_{HB} * ([Q]_{0} + [B]_{0})} \rightarrow (5)$$

on the condition that total concentration of added base much exceeds that of phenol, $[Q]_{0<<}[B]_0$, $[Q]_0$ in the denominator can be neglected in eq.5.

$$(5) \Rightarrow [QB] = \frac{K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0} \rightarrow (6)$$

now eq.1 $\Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_Q[Q] + K_{QB}[QB]$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_Q([Q]_0 - [QB] + K_{QB}[QB]), \text{ using } [Q] = [Q]_0 - [QB]$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_Q * [Q]_0 + (K_{QB} - K_Q) * [QB] \rightarrow (7)$

inserting eq.6 in eq.7

$$\Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_Q * [Q]_0 + (K_{QB} - K_Q) * \frac{K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0}$$

Case.2: Here quenching is not competitive process tothe fluorescence, $\overline{K_Q} \rightarrow 0 \text{ or too small}$ $K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0$ I_0

$$\frac{1}{I} = 1 + K_{QB} * \frac{1 + K_{HB} * [E]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0}$$
(6)

Using Stern-Volmer equation, the fluorescence quenching of H₂F₂₀TPP by both free and hydrogen bonded phenol is given by eq.1

$$\frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_Q[Q] + K_{QB}[QB] \to (1)$$

but in this caseH₂F₂₀TPP fluorescence is not quenched by added phenol, So $K_Q = 0$ or twoo small. Hence eq.1 transforms as

$$\Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_{QB}[QB] \rightarrow (2)$$

using relation, $[QB] = \frac{K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0}$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_{QB} * \frac{K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0}$$

so the final eq is $\Rightarrow \frac{I_0}{I} = 1 + K_{QB} * \frac{K_{HB} * [Q]_0 * [B]_0}{1 + K_{HB} * [B]_0}$

Some figures relating to steady state and time resolved titration:



Fig.S1 S-V plot as a function of 4DMAPy concentration when 4-MeoPhOH concentration is parameter



Fig.S2 S-V plot as a function of 1-Methyl Imidazole concentration when 4-MeoPhOH concentration is parameter



Fig. S3 Fluorescence decay profile of $H_2F_{20}TPP$ as a function of 2,6DiMeoPhOH. Inset shows the S-V plot



Fig.S4 Change of fluorescence intensity of $H_2F_{20}TPP$ (20 μ M) following successive addition of 2,6-DiMeoPhOH in DCM solvent in presence of 0.1M 4DMAPy, λ_{ex} =590 nm. Inset shows the S-V plot



Fig. S5. S-V plot as a function of 4-DMAPy concentration when 2,6- DiMeoPhOH concentration is parameter.

Fluorescence Up-Conversion Data



Fig. S7 Fluorescence Up-Conversion decay profile of $H_2F_{20}TPP$ in presence of 0.5 M 4-MeoPhOH and 0.5M of various pyridines (Py, DMPy, TMPy) on excitation at 410 nm. Smooth solid lines are fits of experimental data.



Fig. S8:Fluorescence Up-Conversion decay profile of $H_2F_{20}TPP$ inpresence of 0.5 M 2,6-DiMeoPhOH and (0.02-.08M) 4DMAPy on excitation at 410 nm. Smooth solid lines are fits of experimental data.