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## **Supporting Information**

## Dual Functional Amphiphilic Sugar-Coated AIE-Active Fluorescent Organic Nanoparticles for the Monitoring and Inhibition of Insulin Amyloid Fibrillation Based on Carbohydrate-Protein Interactions

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## 1 Experimental Procedures

#### 1.1 General

Unless otherwise noted, all chemicals were purchased at reagent grade and can be used without further purification. The human insulin was purchased from Med ChemExpress LLC. PBS buffer with pH 7.2-7.4 (0.01 M) was purchased from Beijing Solarbio Science & Technology Co., Ltd. All anaerobic reactions were performed under dry N2 atmosphere. All the reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) on T-HSGF10025025 normal phase silica gel glass plates or 60 RP-18 F254s reversed phase silica gel glass plates, and visualized under Ultraviolet light, by dyeing with ninhydrin or by coloring with concentrated sulfuric acid-ethanol (7%) solution (after roasted). Flash column chromatography was performed on 200-300 mesh silica gel. Reversed phase chromatography was performed on SiliaSphere C18 (50 μm, 120 Å). Molecular exclusion chromatography was performed on Bio-Gel <sup>®</sup> P-2 Media (45 - 90 μm). 1H and 13C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance III spectrometer (400 MHz) or JNM-ECZR spectrometer (400 and 600 MHz) with tetramethylsilane (TMS,  $\delta$ = 0 ppm) as an internal standard. The residual peak of the solvent: Chloroform-d at 7.26 ppm (1H) and 77.16 ppm (13C), Methanol-d4 at 3.31 ppm (1H) and 49.00 ppm (13C). High resolution mass spectra were recorded on Bruker micrOTOF-QII mass spectrometer (ESI). Photoluminescence (PL) spectra were recorded on FS5 spectrofluorometer (Edinburgh Instruments Ltd.). Circular dichroism (CD) spectra were recorded on Applied Photophysics Ltd. Chirascan Spectrometer in a 1 cm quartz cuvette using a step resolution of 0.2 nm, a scan speed of 15 nm·min-1, a bandwidth of 2.0 nm. Each spectrum was the average of three scans. Transmission electron microscope (TEM) images were recorded on FEI Talos F200S (Thermo Fisher Scientific). All the PL and CD tests used secondary water.

#### 1.2 Synthesis



S1a: compound S1a was synthesized according to the methods reported in the previous article.<sup>1-2</sup>

**S5**: 99.9% yield ( $\alpha$ : $\beta$  = 6:1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  (ppm): 6.09 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.37-5.34 (m, 2H), 5.27 (t, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (dd, J = 12.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (dd, J = 12.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.08-4.02 (m, 1H), 2.18 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 6H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H).

**S6**: 32.0% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ),  $\delta$  (ppm): 5.36-5.27 (m, 2H), 5.26-5.22 (m, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (dd, J = 12.2, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (dd, J = 12.2, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (ddd, J = 9.1, 5.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (ddd, J = 9.9, 6.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.57 3.50 (m, 1H) 3.44 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.93-1.87 (m, 2H).

**S1a**: 99.9% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD), δ (ppm): 4.76 (s, 1H), 3.87-3.78 (m, 3H), 3.74-3.67 (m, 2H), 3.62 (t, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.55-3.48 (m, 2H), 3.45-3.39 (m, 2H), 1.90-1.84 (m, 2H).



S1c: compound S7 and S1c was synthesized according to the methods reported in the previous article.<sup>3</sup>

**S1c**: 89.0% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ (ppm): 5.57 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 5.45-5.38 (m, 1H), 4.62 (dd, J = 9.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (dd, J = 12.3, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.05-3.93 (m, 2H), 3.88-3.77 (m, 4H), 3.69 (dd, J = 11.0, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.40-3.33 (m, 3H), 2.83 (dd, J = 12.1, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.10-2.03 (m, 7H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.88-1.75 (m, 2H).



S2a: compound S2a was synthesized according to the methods reported in the previous article.<sup>4</sup>

**S9**: 88.6% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ (ppm): 7.83-7.71 (m, 4H), 7.58 (dd, J = 10.4, 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 0.27 (s, 9H).

**S10**: 28.3% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ (ppm): 7.20 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 4H), 7.12-7.07 (m, 6H), 6.99-6.95 (m, 4H), 6.93 (dd, J = 8.2, 3.9 Hz, 4H), 0.22 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 18H).

**S2a**: 88.8% yield. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  (ppm): 7.23 (dd, J = 13.5, 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.14-7.09 (m, 6H), 6.98 (ddd, J = 14.5, 7.0, 4.2 Hz, 8H), 3.04 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 2H).



**TPE2M**: compound **S1a** (58.4 mg, 0.2218 mmol) and compound **S2a** (35.3 mg, 0.0928 mmol) were dissolved in THF (8 mL) under nitrogen. Sodium ascorbate (0.037 M, 1 mL, aq.) and copper sulfate (0.019 M, 1 mL, aq.) were then added successively and stirred at 66 °C for 17 h. Then the reaction was cooled to room temperature, extracted with DCM, washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the solvent of mixture was evaporated. The residue was purified by Bio-Gel P-2 gel to obtain the crude product, and then purified by reversed phase column chromatography (H<sub>2</sub>O : MeOH = 1 : 3, V/V) to obtain **TPE2M** (31.3 mg, 37.2% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 8.26 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (dd, J = 11.2, 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.14-7.03 (m, 14H), 4.73 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.54 (dq, J = 13.3, 6.6 Hz, 4H), 3.83-3.75 (m, 6H), 3.69 (dd, J = 11.1, 6.5 Hz, 4H), 3.60 (td, J = 9.6, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 3.55-3.49 (m, 2H), 3.45-3.39 (m, 2H), 2.22 (dq, J = 12.6, 6.4 Hz, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 148.62, 148.59, 145.16, 145.12, 144.82, 144.74, 142.38, 133.04, 133.00, 132.45, 132.43, 132.37, 130.00, 129.91, 129.89, 129.02, 128.89, 127.89, 127.80, 126.17, 126.06, 122.51,

122.45, 101.85, 101.83, 74.88, 74.86, 72.65, 72.10, 72.09, 68.64, 66.68, 65.18, 62.94, 62.92, 49.60, 31.75, 31.28, 31.23, 20.28, 14.07; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for  $C_{48}H_{55}N_6O_{12}$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 907.3872, found: 907.3876.

**S1b**: compound **S1b** was synthesized according to the methods reported in the previous article.<sup>5</sup>

*tert*-Butoxycarbonyl & Acetyl protected TPE2G (S3a): compound S1b (182.0 mg, 0.3431 mmol) and compound S2a (50.0 mg, 0.1314 mmol) were dissolved in THF (10 mL) under nitrogen. Sodium ascorbate (0.052 M, 1 mL, aq.) and copper sulfate (0.027 M, 1 mL, aq.) were then added successively and stirred at 66 °C for 24h. After the disappearance of compound S2a, the reaction was cooled to room temperature, extracted with DCM, and dried over MgS04. After filtration, the solvent of mixture was evaporated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (DCM : MeOH = 100 : 1, V/V) to obtain compound S3a (50.0 mg, 26.4% yield). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3), δ (ppm): 7.76 (d, J = 19.8 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 7.15-7.02 (m, 14H), 5.71 (dt, J = 18.7, 9.1 Hz, 2H), 5.25 (dd, J = 143.5, 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.09 (dd, J = 11.9, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 4.92 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 4H), 4.27 (td, J = 12.8, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 4.20 (dd, J = 12.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (td, J = 13.2, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 3.89-3.79 (m, 2H), 3.72 (d, J = 41.0 Hz, 2H), 3.54-3.46 (m, 2H), 2.38 (d, J = 51.9 Hz, 6H), 2.17 (s, 4H), 2.03 (m, 12H), 1.98 (dd, J = 18.9, 3.5 Hz, 6H), 1.58-1.52 (m, 18H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3), δ (ppm): 170.65, 143.87, 143.85, 143.41, 143.39, 140.84, 140.42, 131.93, 131.90, 131.38, 131.37, 127.86, 127.73, 126.69, 126.63, 125.26, 125.09, 125.03, 100.28, 99.42, 85.04, 84.31, 77.22, 71.92, 71.86, 71.69, 71.09, 71.05, 70.35, 69.51, 69.32, 65.85, 65.72, 62.08, 61.67, 56.63, 56.58, 34.88, 33.30, 33.29, 32.21, 32.19, 31.93, 31.51, 31.44, 30.20, 30.14, 29.70, 29.66, 29.37, 28.08, 27.94, 27.18, 26.92, 26.84, 26.40, 23.44, 22.70, 22.66, 20.78, 20.77, 20.69, 20.58, 14.13; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for C74H89N8O22 [M+H]+ 1441.6085, found: 1441.6104.

**TPE2G**: compound **S3a** (50.0 mg, 0.0347 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of MeONa/MeOH (0.054 M, 1.0280 mL) under nitrogen atmosphere, adding extra 4 mL of methanol to it, and stirred for 20 h at room temperature. The reaction was neutralized with an IR-120 hydrogen ion resin. The pH was adjusted to about 7, then filtered, and the solvent was evaporated to give crude intermediate compound. Then, the crude compound was added to a round bottom flask containing a solution of THF (4 mL) and hydrochloric acid (1.0 M, 7 mL), and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 15 h. After completion of the reaction, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation, and the residual was purified by reversed phase column chromatography (H<sub>2</sub>O : MeOH = 1 : 5, V/V) to obtain **TPE2G** (23.2 mg, 73.9% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 8.55 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 4H), 7.15-7.04 (m, 14H), 4.72-4.61 (m, 4H), 4.59 (dd, J = 8.3, 4.2 Hz, 2H), 3.99-3.90 (m, 2H), 3.84 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 3.70-3.62 (m, 4H), 3.56-3.47 (m, 2H), 3.35-3.30 (m, 4H), 2.84 (dd, J = 8.4, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (s, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 148.00, 145.64, 144.65. 144.58, 142.44, 133.16, 133.11, 132.42, 132.39, 131.11, 129.07, 129.04, 128.94, 127.91, 126.33, 126.24, 123.42, 100.40, 78.54, 73.99, 71.77, 67.33, 62.18, 57.71, 57.61, 57.50, 57.29, 31.26, 17.50, 17.28, 17.12; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>57</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>10</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 905.4192, found: 905.4198.

**Methoxy & Acetyl protected TPE2S (S3b)**: compound **S1c** (100.0 mg, 0.1791 mmol) and compound **S2a** (27.3 mg, 0.0716 mmol) were dissolved in THF (13 mL) in a round bottom flask under nitrogen. Sodium ascorbate (0.028 M, 1 mL, aq.) and copper sulfate (0.014 M, 1 mL, aq.) were then added successively and stirred at 50 °C for 34h. After the disappearance of compound **S2a**, the reaction was cooled to room temperature, extracted with DCM and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the solvent of mixture was evaporated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (DCM : MeOH = 100 : 1, V/V) to obtain compound **S3b** (57.8 mg, 53.9% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,),  $\delta$  (ppm): 7.82 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 4H), 7.14-7.04 (m, 14H), 5.57 (dt, J = 8.4, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 5.43 (ddd, J = 8.3, 7.0, 3.2 Hz, 2H), 4.62 (ddd, J = 9.3, 4.1, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 4.50 (dddd, J = 13.8, 10.1, 7.0, 4.3 Hz, 4H), 4.37 (ddd, J = 12.3, 4.1, 2.9 Hz, 2H), 4.00 (dddd, J = 12.2, 9.7, 5.4, 2.0 Hz, 4H), 3.90-3.85 (m, 2H), 3.77-3.69 (m, 8H), 3.40-3.36 (m, 2H), 2.84 (ddd, J = 12.1, 5.6, 3.6 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 6H), 2.21 (dt, J = 11.1, 5.6 Hz, 4H), 2.10 (dd, J = 6.0, 2.9 Hz, 14H), 2.01 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  (ppm): 172.07, 170.79, 170.29, 170.27, 170.05, 168.71, 168.68, 153.62, 153.60, 143.72, 143.44, 143.41, 140.84, 131.92, 131.90, 131.39, 131.38, 127.85, 127.75, 126.69, 126.64, 125.16, 125.02, 120.09, 104.15, 99.93, 99.06, 75.55, 75.53, 74.82, 74.81, 71.72, 68.74, 68.73, 63.37, 62.33, 59.03, 53.42, 53.14, 47.39, 47.33, 36.49, 36.48, 31.94, 30.40, 29.71, 24.70, 22.70, 21.14, 20.94, 20.80, 14.12; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for  $C_{74}H_{81}N_8O_{26}$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 1497.5256, found: 1497.5266.

**TPE2S**: compound **S3b** (56.5 mg, 0.0377 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of MeONa/MeOH (0.054 M, 0.084 mL) under nitrogen atmosphere and add extra 3.5 mL of methanol to it. Then the mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature. After completion of the reaction, the reaction was neutralized with an IR-120 hydrogen ion resin, adjusting the pH to about 7. Then filtered, and the solvent was evaporated to give crude intermediate compound. Then, the crude compound, lithium hydroxide hydrate (26.0 mg, 0.6196 mmol), a solution of THF/H<sub>2</sub>O (3 mL, 2 : 1, V/V) were added to a round bottom flask, and the reaction was stirred at room temperature over night. After the disappearance of reactant, the reaction was also

neutralized with an IR-120 hydrogen ion resin to adjust the pH to about 7. After filtration, the solvent was removed, and the residual was purified by Bio-Gel P-2 gel to obtain **TPE2S** (33.1 mg, 73.4% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 8.31 (s, 2H), 7.60 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 4H), 7.20-7.00 (m, 14H), 4.54 (s, 4H), 3.82-3.51 (m, 20H), 2.89 (s, 6H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 2.16 (s, 2H), 1.60 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H); HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for C<sub>58</sub>H<sub>69</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>18</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 1165.4724, found: 1165.4708.



S2b: compound S2b was synthesized according to the methods reported in the previous article.<sup>6</sup>

Acetyl protected TPE3M (S3c): compound S6 (69.1 mg, 0.1602 mmol) and compound S2b (33.2 mg, 0.0460 mmol) were dissolved in THF (5 mL) under nitrogen. Sodium ascorbate (0.034 M, 1 mL, aq.) and copper sulfate (0.018 M, 1 mL, aq.) were then added successively and stirred at 67 °C for 18 h. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, extracted with DCM and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. And after filtration, the solvent of mixture was evaporated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (DCM : MeOH = 50 : 1, V/V) to obtain compound S3c (79.6 mg, 85.8% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  (ppm): 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.66 (s, 3H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (dd, J = 17.1, 7.6 Hz, 5H), 7.03 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (dd, J = 11.5, 8.7 Hz, 4H), 6.65 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 5.29 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 6H), 5.24 (s, 3H), 4.81 (s, 3H), 4.60 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 8H), 4.49 (s, 6H), 4.29 (dd, J = 12.1, 4.9 Hz, 3H), 4.09 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 3H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 9H), 3.51 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 11H), 2.24 (s, 6H), 2.15 (s, 9H), 2.08 (s, 9H), 2.04 (s, 9H), 1.99 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  (ppm):170.61, 170.04, 169.91, 169.71, 158.43, 158.38, 158.33, 157.80, 157.79, 145.50, 145.20, 143.74, 141. 49, 140.78, 136.84, 135.86, 135.82, 133.97, 133.51, 132.70, 132.63, 132.56, 131.37, 127.93, 126.45, 119.69, 113.32, 113.09, 97.82, 69.48, 69.12, 68.74, 66.07, 64.85, 64.84, 62.45, 55.15, 55.12, 47.10, 47.09, 47.08, 47.07, 47.04, 30.22, 30.06, 30.05, 29.71, 29.69, 29.66, 20.89, 20.76, 20.73, 20.70; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for C<sub>96</sub>H<sub>118</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>36</sub>Na<sub>2</sub> [M+2Na]<sup>2+</sup> 1030.3778, found: 1030.3789.

**TPE3M**: compound **S3c** (79.6 mg, 0.0395 mmol) and MeONa/MeOH (0.054 M, 0.22 mL) reagent were placed into a flask, and add extra 4 mL of methanol to it. The mixture was stirred for 22 h. Then the IR-120 hydrogen ion resin was added to the mixture until the pH of it was 7. At this stage the solid was filtered off, the filter cake was washed with methanol, and finally the solvent was removed by rotary evaporator. Then, the residue after evaporation of solvent was purified by reversed phase column chromatography (H<sub>2</sub>O : MeOH = 1 : 3.5, V/V) to obtain **TPE3M** (5.8 mg, 9.7% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 8.42 (s, 1H), 7.93 (s, 3H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.18-7.12 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.72 (s, 3H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 4.52 (s, 6H), 4.48 (dd, J = 11.5, 6.7 Hz, 6H), 3.84-3.79 (m, 6H), 3.77 (dd, J = 10.5, 5.2 Hz, 3H), 3.74-3.70 (m, 9H),

3.68 (dd, J = 9.6, 3.4 Hz, 3H), 3.62 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 3H), 3.52 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 3.50-3.45 (m, 8H), 3.41-3.37 (m, 3H), 2.20-2.15 (m, 6H); HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for  $C_{72}H_{95}N_{12}O_{24}$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 1511.6576, found: 1511.6585.

**1,1,2,2-tetrakis(4-ethynylphenyl)ethene (S3b)**: compound **S3b** was synthesized according to the methods reported in the previous article.<sup>7</sup>

Acetyl protected TPE4M (S3d): compound S6 (79.5 mg, 0.1843 mmol) and compound S3b (17.7 mg, 0.0413 mmol) were added to a round bottom flask and dissolved with THF (4 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. Then sodium ascorbate (0.016 M, 1 mL, aq.) and copper sulfate (0.008 M, 1 mL, aq.) were added and the reaction was stirred at 67 °C for 21 h. After the disappearance of compound S3b, the reaction was cooled to room temperature, extracted with DCM, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and the insoluble substance was filtered off. After the solvent of mixture was evaporated, the residue was purified by column chromatography (DCM : MeOH = 80 : 1, V/V) to obtain compound S3d (78.2 mg, 88.6% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ (ppm): 7.77 (s, 4H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 8H), 7.15 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 8H), 5.34 (dd, J = 10.1, 3.4 Hz, 4H), 5.27 (s, 4H), 4.81 (s, 4H), 4.52 (ddd, J = 28.5, 13.8, 7.0 Hz, 8H), 4.28 (dd, J = 12.2, 5.4 Hz, 4H), 4.07 (dd, J = 12.2, 2.2 Hz, 4H), 4.00 (ddd, J = 9.8, 5.3, 2.2 Hz, 4H), 3.78-3.73 (m, 4H), 3.48-3.43 (m, 4H), 3.13-3.07 (m, 4H), 2.27 (ddd, J = 19.1, 13.4, 7.3 Hz, 8H), 2.15 (s, 12H), 2.04 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 24H), 2.00 (s, 12H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>), δ (ppm): 170.63, 170.12, 170.00, 169.72, 147.62, 143.42, 140.66, 131.97, 128.82, 125.24, 119.97, 97.79, 77.23, 69.46, 69.06, 68.77, 66.07, 64.52, 62.48, 60.41, 46.97, 45.83, 31.93, 29.99, 29.71, 29.67, 29.37, 25.66, 22.70, 21.06, 20.90, 20.73, 20.72, 20.71, 14.21, 14.13, 8.65; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for C<sub>102</sub>H<sub>122</sub>N<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> [M+2H]<sup>2+</sup> 1077.3935, found: 1077.3932.

**TPE4M**: compound **S3d** (78.2 mg, 0.0363 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of MeONa/MeOH (0.054 M, 1.65 mL) under nitrogen atmosphere and add extra 1 mL of methanol to it. Then the mixture was stirred for 30 h, and neutralize with IR-120 hydrogen ion resin to pH=7. After filtration of the turbid liquid, the solvent was removed and purified by reversed phase column chromatography (H2O : MeOH = 1 : 1.5, V/V) to obtain **TPE4M** (25.7 mg, 47.0% yield). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CD3OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 8.12 (s, 4H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 8H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 8H), 4.61 (s, 4H), 4.40 (p, J = 8.9 Hz, 8H), 3.69 (dd, J = 3.1, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 3.65 (dd, J = 12.0, 2.1 Hz, 4H), 3.61-3.56 (m, 12H), 3.50 (t, J = 9.7 Hz, 4H), 3.39 (ddd, J = 9.6, 5.5, 2.1 Hz, 4H), 3.32-3.27 (m, 4H), 2.08 (dt, J = 12.9, 6.6 Hz, 8H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CD3OD),  $\delta$  (ppm): 148.33, 145.72, 142.06, 132.99, 129.75, 127.09, 126.18, 122.69, 101.39, 101.17, 74.31, 72.24, 71.69, 68.15, 65.14, 62.33, 30.87; HRMS (ESI): m/z Calcd for C70H89N12O24 [M+H]+ 1481.6107, found: 1481.6117.

## 2 Results and Discussion

## 2.1 Summarize of amyloid fibrillation of monitoring and inhibition

Table S1. AIE-type fluorescent probes for monitoring and inhibition amyloid fibrillation.

Probe name	Туре	Amyloid	Monitoring	Inhibition (I/P) <sup>[a]</sup>	Reference
BSPOTPE	Turn-on	Insulin fibrils	<i>ex situ</i> monitoring	<i>in situ</i> inhibition, I/P = 1/5 (Measurement for one week)	8
TPE-peptide	Turn-on	Aβ <sub>1-40</sub> fibrils Insulin fibrils Lysozyme fibrils	Detection and monitoring	-	9
TPE-TPP	Turn-on	α-synuclein oligomers and fibrils	Detection and monitoring	-	10
QM-FN-SO₃	Off-on	$A\beta_{42}$ fibrils	in situ mapping	-	11
DVAI@AuNCs-Apt	Turn-on	Insulin fibrils	Conformational monitoring	-	12
ASCP	Ratiometric	α-synuclein monomers and fibrils	Detection and monitoring	-	13
PD-BZ-OH	Turn-on	Hen egg white lysozyme fibrils	in situ nanoscale imaging	-	14
EPB@amyloid	Turn-on	$Aeta_{42}$ fibrils lpha-synuclein fibrils	High-throughput screening of small-molecule inhibitors	-	15
AIE-GNP	Ratiometric	Aβ <sub>42</sub> monomers and fibrils Lectins	Detection and discrimination between Aβ and lectin	-	16
Cur-N-BF <sub>2</sub>	Light-up	$A\beta_{1\text{-}42} \text{ fibrils}$	Detection	Inhibition of Aβ fibrillation (I/P not mentioned) Disassembly of preformed Aβ fibrils Protection of neuronal cells	17
FB	Turn-on	$A\beta_{1-42}$ aggregates	Imaging of Aβ plaques and lipid droplets	-	18

[a] "-" represented no effects or not mentioned.

#### Table S2 The molecular structures of the corresponding probes in Table S1.

BSPOTPE	TPE-peptide	TPE-TPP	QM-FN-SO <sub>3</sub>
, Na O S		Br Br	
DVAI@AuNCs-Apt	ASCP	PD-BZ-OH	EPB@amyloid
AIE-GNP	Cur-N-BF <sub>2</sub>	FB	
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#### (a) (b)₀ (C)30 24h 24h 24h 120 PL Intensity /a.u. PL Intensity /a.u. PL Intensity /a.u. 90-30 60 0h 0h 0'n 30 0+ 400 500 550 Wavelength /nm 600 450 500 550 600 Wavelength /nm 650 700 450 500 550 Wavelength /nm 600 450 650 (**d**)₀ (**e)**₀₀ (f) 90 80-24h 24h 24h 70-60-50-40-30-20-PL Intensity /a.u. PL Intensity /a.u. PL Intensity /a.u. 60 0'n 0h 0h 30 10 0+ 400 450 400 500 550 600 Wavelength /nm 700 450 500 550 Wavelength /nm 450 500 550 Wavelength /nm 600 650 650 650 600 (**g**)₀ (h)₀ (İ) 30 24h 24h 24h PL Intensity /a.u. PL Intensity /a.u. PL Intensity /a.u. 0'n 0h 0h

2.2 Curve diagrams of fluorescence measurements

**Fig. S1** The fluorescence intensity curve diagrams of ex situ detection of nine FONs. (a) TPE2G:  $\lambda$ ex=340nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (b) TPE3G:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (c) TPE4G:  $\lambda$ ex=340nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (d) TPE2M:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=470nm; (e) TPE3M:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (f) TPE4M:  $\lambda$ ex=345nm,  $\lambda$ em=505nm; (g) TPE2S:  $\lambda$ ex=335nm,  $\lambda$ em=473nm; (h) TPE3S:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=470nm; (i) TPE4S:  $\lambda$ ex=340nm,  $\lambda$ em=492nm; Fluorescence measurements were performed in PBS buffer (10 mM, pH 7.4) at [FON] = 1  $\mu$ M, [Insulin] = 5  $\mu$ M.



**Fig. S2** The fluorescence intensity curve diagrams of in situ inhibition of nine FONs. (a) TPE2G:  $\lambda$ ex=340nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (b) TPE3G:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (c) TPE4G:  $\lambda$ ex=340nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (d) TPE2M:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=470nm; (e) TPE3M:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=480nm; (f) TPE4M:  $\lambda$ ex=345nm,  $\lambda$ em=505nm; (g) TPE2S:  $\lambda$ ex=335nm,  $\lambda$ em=473nm; (h) TPE3S:  $\lambda$ ex=330nm,  $\lambda$ em=470nm; (i) TPE4S:  $\lambda$ ex=340nm,  $\lambda$ em=492nm; Fluorescence measurements were performed in PBS buffer (10 mM, pH 7.4) at [FON] = 1  $\mu$ M, [Insulin] = 5  $\mu$ M.



**Fig. S3** The CD measurement curve diagrams of in situ inhibition during the fibrillation process of native insulin (a) and native insulin with nine FONs respectively: (b) TPE2G; (c) TPE3G; (d) TPE4G; (e) TPE2M; (f) TPE3M; (g) TPE4M; (h) TPE2S; (i) TPE3S; (j) TPE4S; CD measurements were performed in PBS buffer (10 mM, pH 7.4) at [Fluorescence inhibitor] = 1  $\mu$ M, [Insulin] = 5  $\mu$ M.

## 2.4 Images of TEM Experiments



**Fig. S4** TEM and STEM images of insulin incubated together with TPE2G at certain time points: (a) 0 hours; (b) 2 hours; (c) 5 hours; (d) 8 hours; (e) 9 hours; (f) 12 hours. The red circles marked the distribution of TPE2G.



**Fig. S5** TEM and STEM images of insulin incubated together with TPE2M at certain time points: (a) 0 hours; (b) 2 hours; (c) 4 hours; (d) 9 hours; (e) 12 hours. The red circles marked the distribution of TPE2M.



**Fig. S6** TEM and STEM images of insulin incubated together with TPE2S at certain time points: (a) 0 hours; (b) 2 hours; (c) 4 hours; (d) 9 hours; (e) 12 hours. The red circles marked the distribution of TPE2S.

### 2.5 Images of molecular dynamics simulations



**Time /ns Fig. S7** RMSD line chart of the protein and ligand during NVT simulations, taking the protein backbone as the reference frame.



Fig. S8 The TFI image of weak interaction analysis.

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Fig. S10 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of TPE2M (150 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD).

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Fig. S11 HRMS spectra of TPE2M.







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Fig. S13 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound S3a (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

Fig. S14 HRMS spectra of compound S3a.



Fig. S16 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of TPE2G (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD).







Fig. S19 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound S3b (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



Fig. S20 HRMS spectra of compound S3b.



Fig. S21 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound TPE2S (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD).



Fig. S22 HRMS spectra of compound TPE2S.



Fig. S24 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound S3c (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



Fig. S25 HRMS spectra of compound S3c.



Fig. S26 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound TPE3M (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD).



Fig. S27 HRMS spectra of compound TPE3M.









Fig. S29 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound S3d (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

Fig. S30 HRMS spectra of compound S3d.



Fig. S32 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound TPE4M (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD).



Fig. S33 HRMS spectra of compound TPE4M.