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Polymeric copper(II) and dimeric oxovanadium(V) complexes of amide-imine conjugate: bilirubin recognition and green catalysis

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Materials and methods

All experiments were carried out in aerobic conditions. High-purity PBS buffer, hydrazine hydrate, 4-methyl-1-benzoic acid, thionyl chloride, 4-(*N,N*-Diethyl amino)salicylaldehyde and Bilirubin are purchased from Sigma Aldrich (India). Cu(OAc)₂, VOSO₄, NaOH were purchased from Merck (India) were of reagent grade. Solvents used are of spectroscopic grade. Other chemicals are of AR grade and have been used without further purification except when specified. Mili-Q Milipore 18.2 MΩ cm⁻¹ water has been used throughout all the experiments.

Elemental analyses (C, H, and N) were performed using a PerkinElmer 2400 series II CHN analyzer. FTIR spectra are recorded on a Shimadzu FTIR (model IR Prestige 21 CE) spectrophotometer. The electronic absorption spectra are collected with A Shimadzu Multi Spec 2450 spectrophotometer. Path length of the cells used for absorption studies is 1 cm. Fluorescence spectra was taken on Hitachi F-7000 spectrofluorometer. A Bruker ADVANCE III HD (400 MHz) spectrometer was employed to record ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra using DMSO-*d*₆ and CDCl₃ as solvent, the chemical shift was represented in ppm with residual solvent peak was used as an internal reference. Multiplicity was indicated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet). Coupling constants (*J*, s) were reported in Hertz (*Hz*). A QTOF 60 Micro YA 263 and mass spectrometer was employed to measure the mass spectrum in the ES positive mode. Solutions of compounds were injected at a flow rate of 5 μL/min. Systronics digital pH meter (model 335) is used for measurement of solution pH. Dilute HCl or NaOH (50 μM) are used for pH adjustment. GC analysis were performed using Varian 3400 gas chromatograph equipped with a 30 m CP-SIL8CB capillary column and a Flame Ionization Detector.

The X-ray data were collected on a Bruker X8 APEXII CCD diffractometer at 100(2) K, using graphite-monochromated Mo-K α radiation (1 $\frac{1}{4}$ 0.71073 \AA). Some significant crystal parameters and refinement data are furnished in Table S1 (ESI). Data were processed and corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects. Standard direct methods¹ are used for solving the structures and refined by full matrix least squares on F².² All non-hydrogen atoms were anisotropically refined. Hydrogen atoms were included in the structure factor calculation in geometrically idealized positions, with thermal parameters depending on the parent atom, using a riding model. Images were generated by ORTEP and Mercury software.

General method of UV-Vis and fluorescence titration

Path length of the cells used for absorption and emission studies is 1 cm. For UV-Vis and fluorescence titrations, stock solution of **C1** is prepared (20 μM) in $\text{CHCl}_3/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ medium. Working solutions of **C1** and bilirubin are prepared from their respective stock solutions. Fluorescence measurements have been performed using 5 nm \times 5 nm slit width.

Job's plot from fluorescence experiment.

A series of solutions containing **C1** and bilirubin are prepared such that the total concentration of bilirubin and **C1** remained constant (20 μM) in all the sets. The mole fraction (x) of bilirubin is varied from 0.05 to 0.9.

Calculation of detection limit

The detection limit (**DL**) is determined from the following equation.³

$$DL = \frac{3\sigma}{K}$$

σ is the standard deviation of the blank solution, **K** is the slope of the calibration curve.

For the determination of standard deviation the emission intensity of **C1** without any analyte was measured by 10 times.

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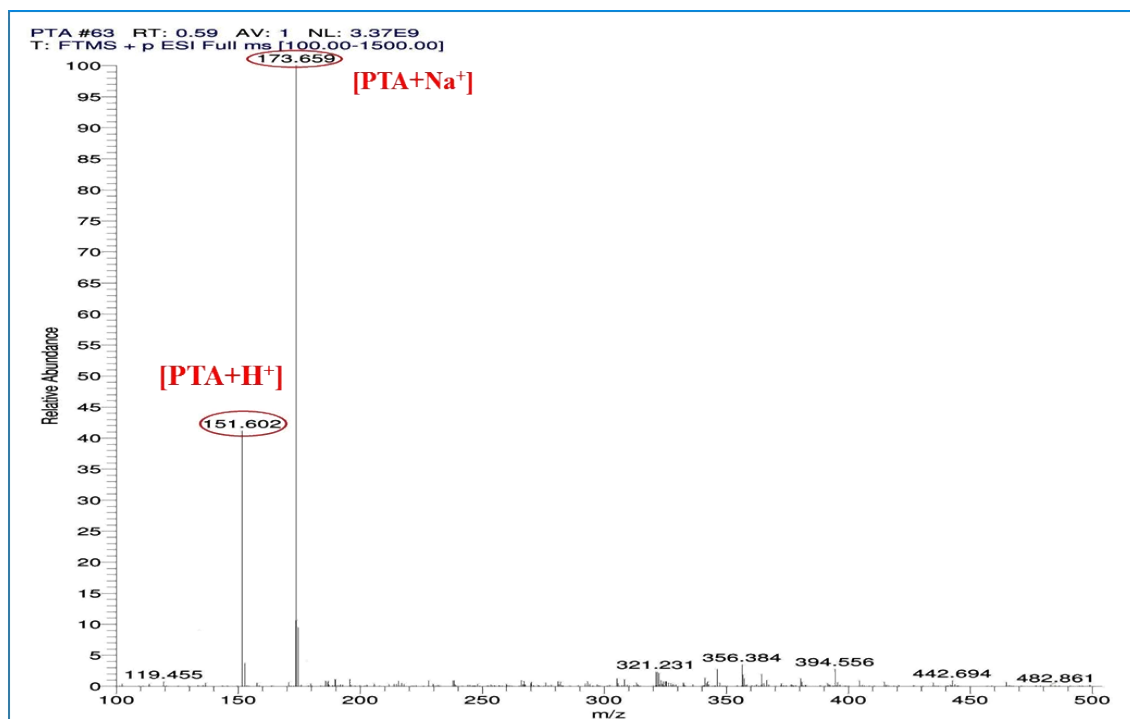


Figure S1 Mass spectrum of PTA

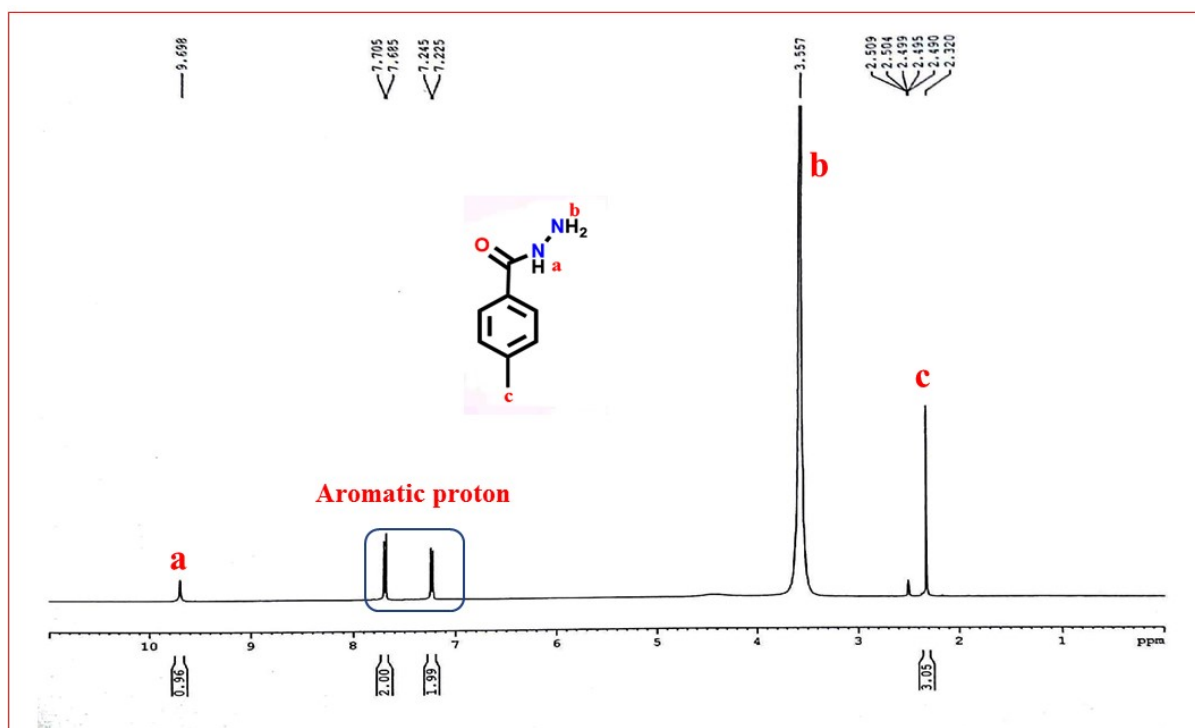


Figure S2 ^1H NMR spectrum of PTA in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$

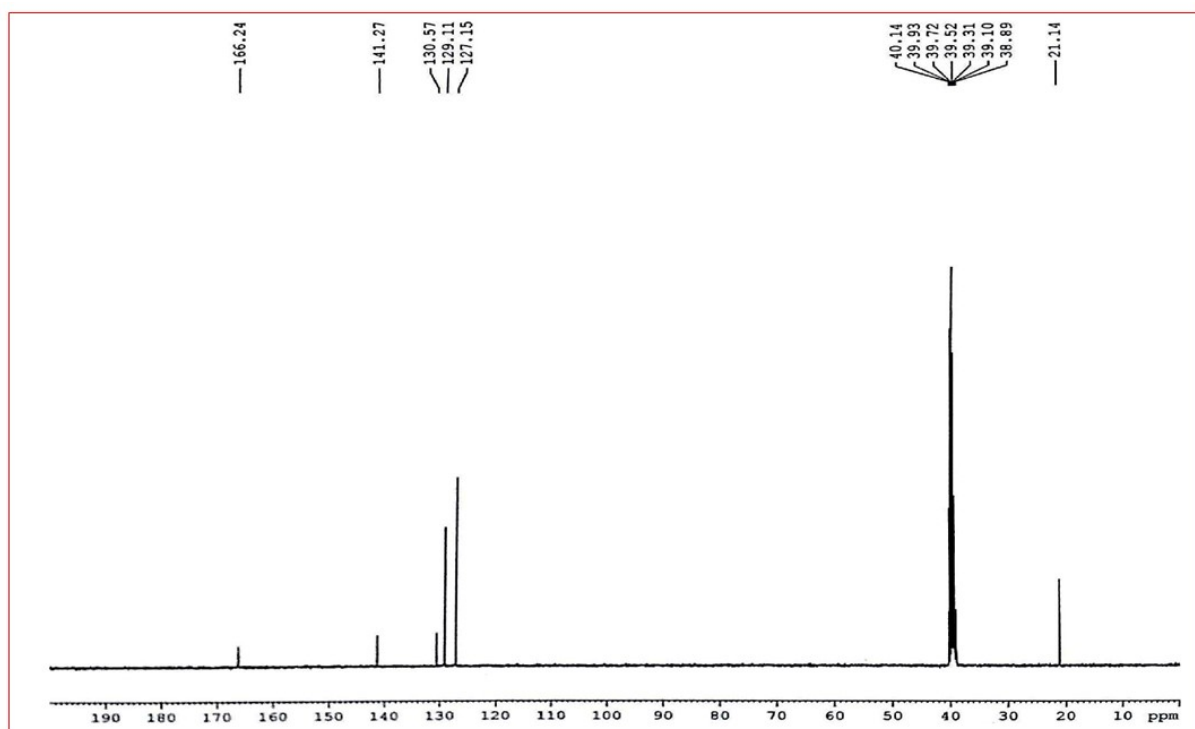


Figure S3 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of PTA in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$

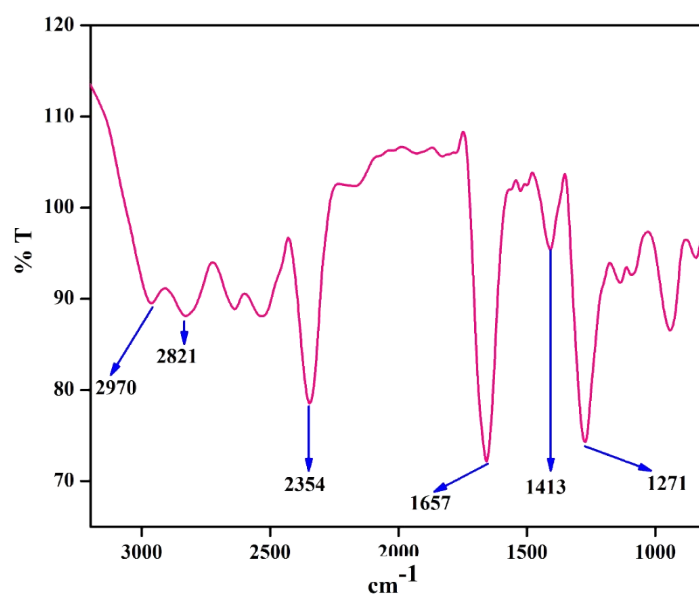
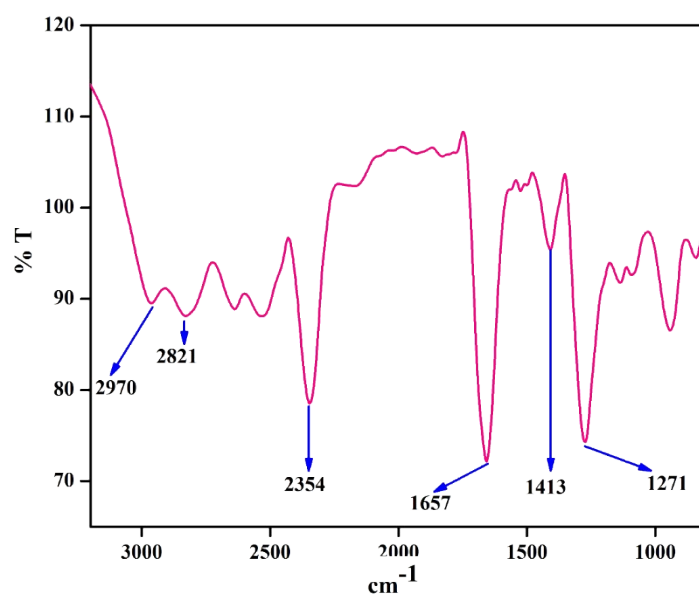


Figure S4 FTIR spectrum of PTA



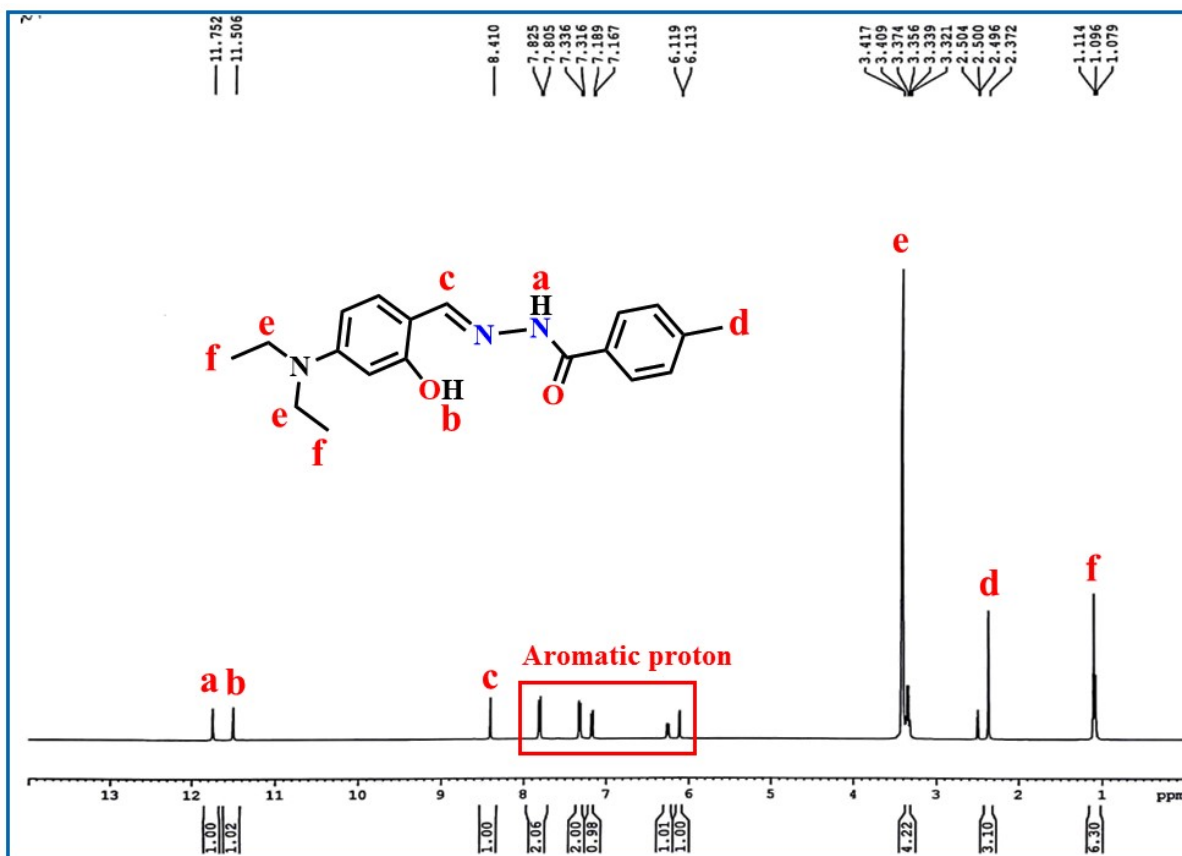


Figure S5 ¹H NMR spectrum of **L** in CDCl₃

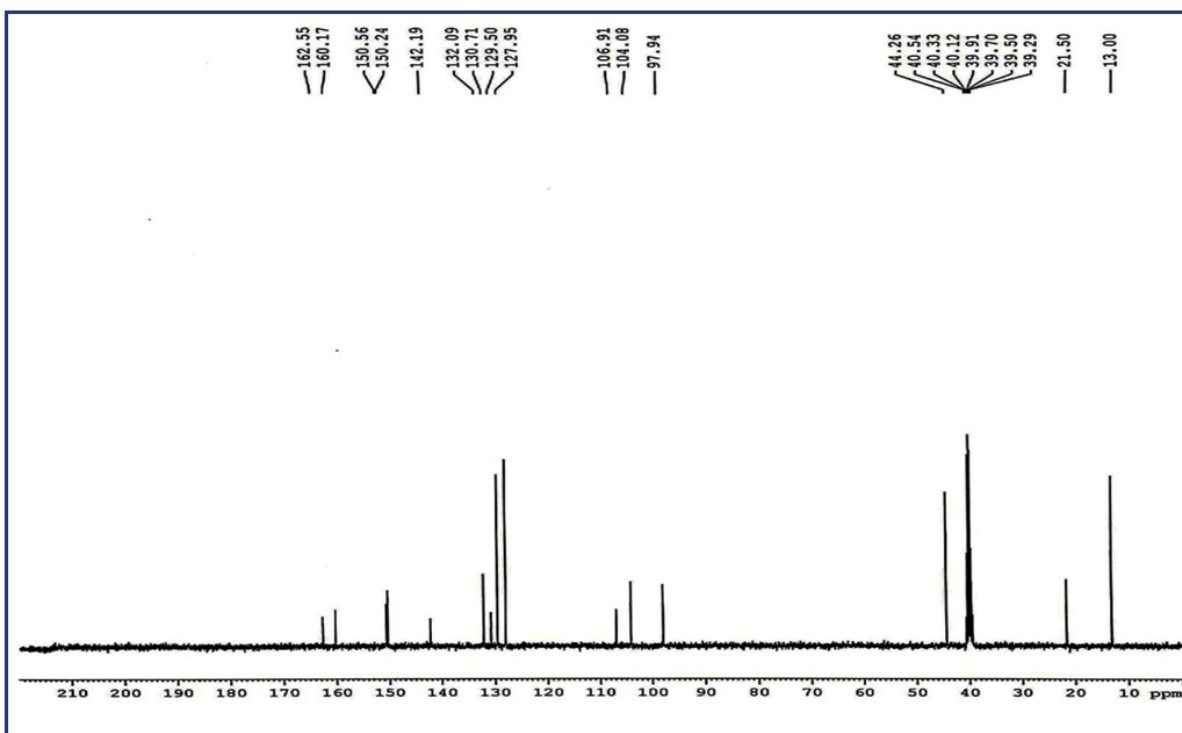


Figure S6 ¹³C NMR spectrum of **L** in CDCl₃

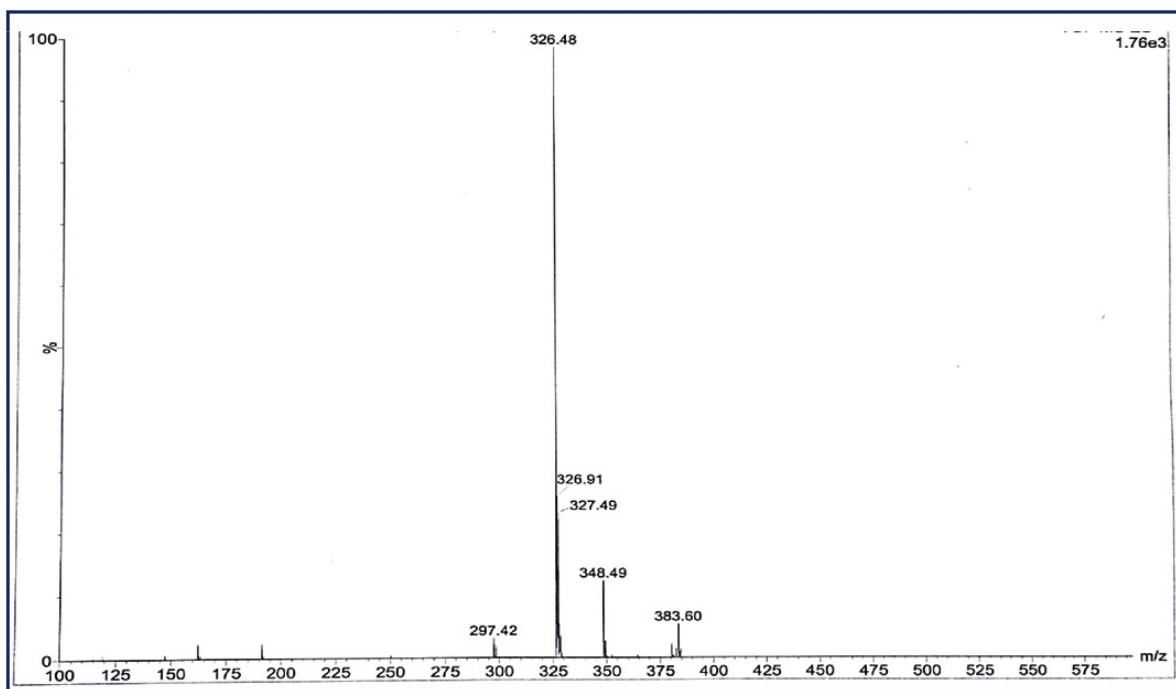


Figure S7 Mass spectrum of L

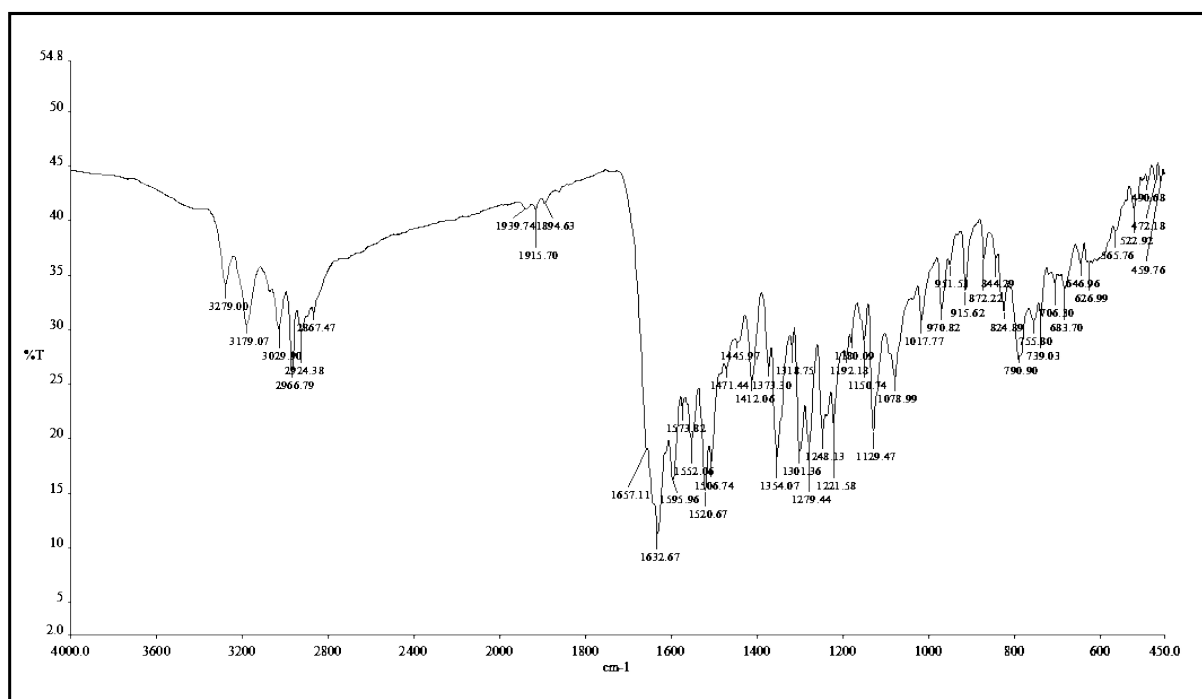


Figure S8 FTIR spectrum of L

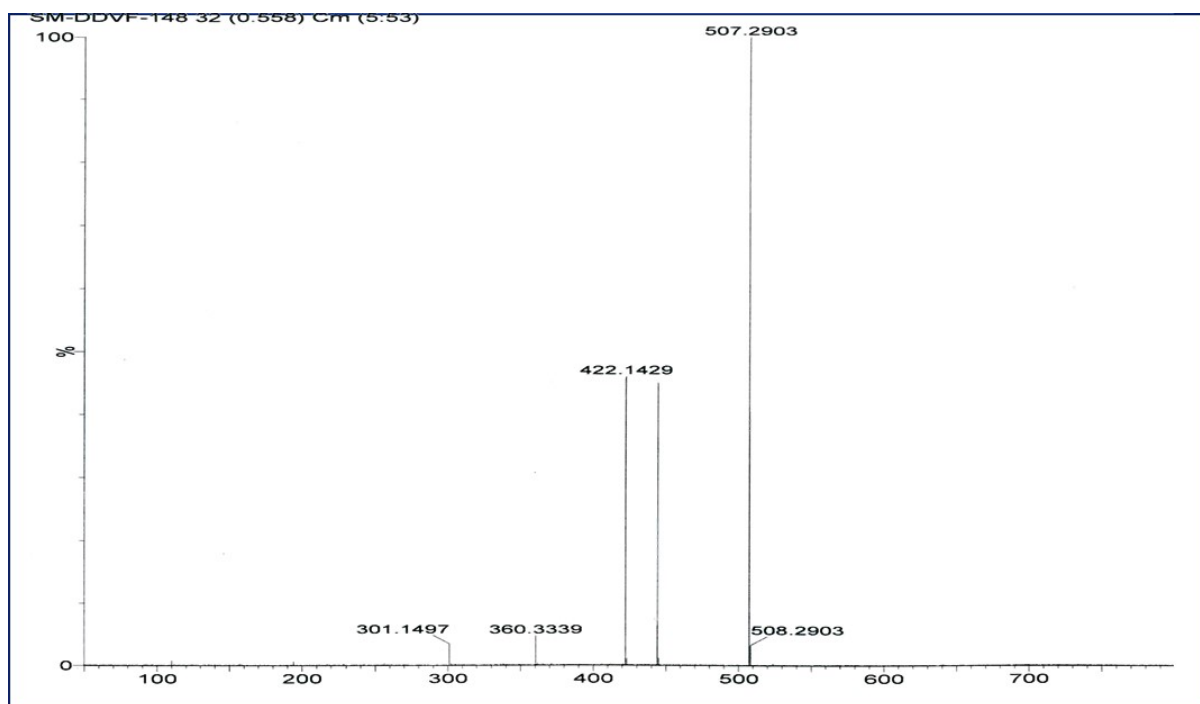


Figure S9 Mass spectrum of V1

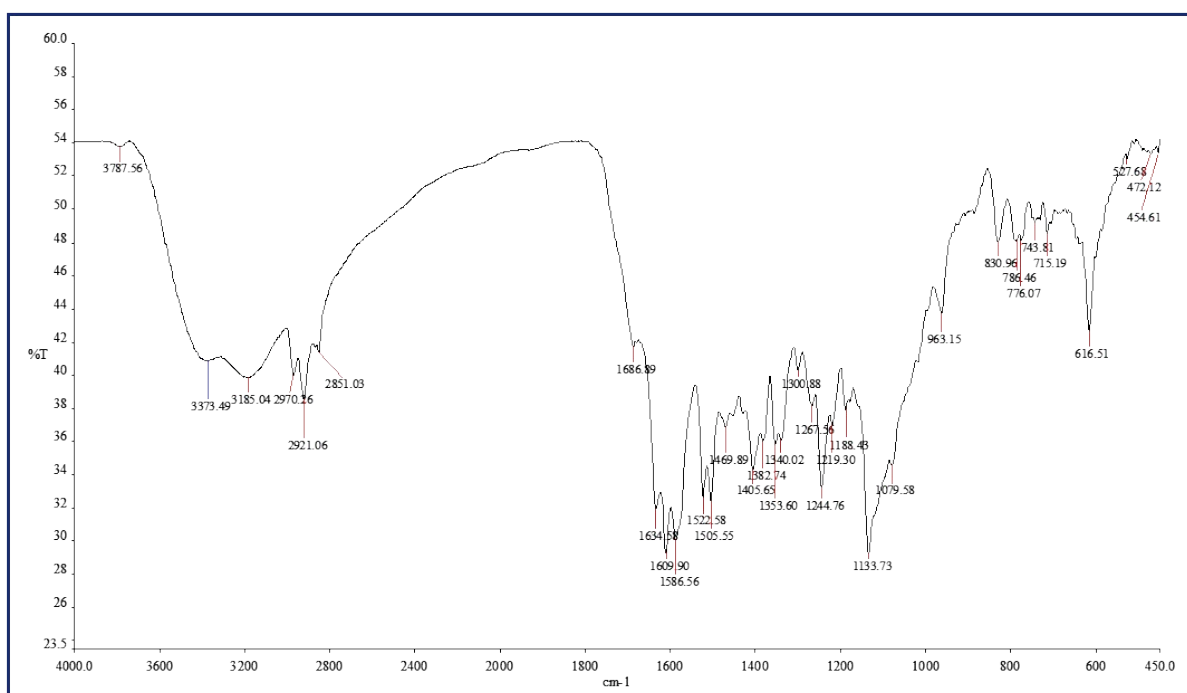


Figure S10 FTIR spectrum of V1

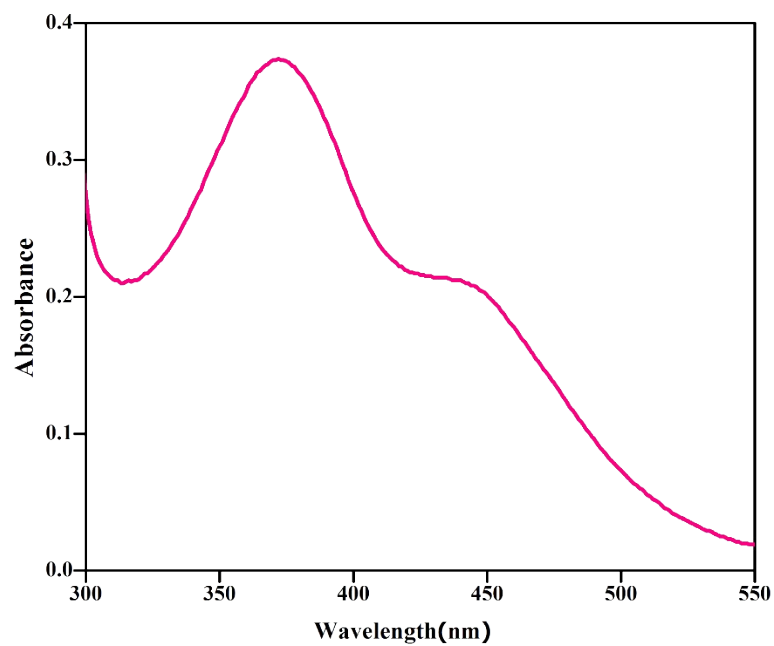


Figure S11 Absorption spectra of V1

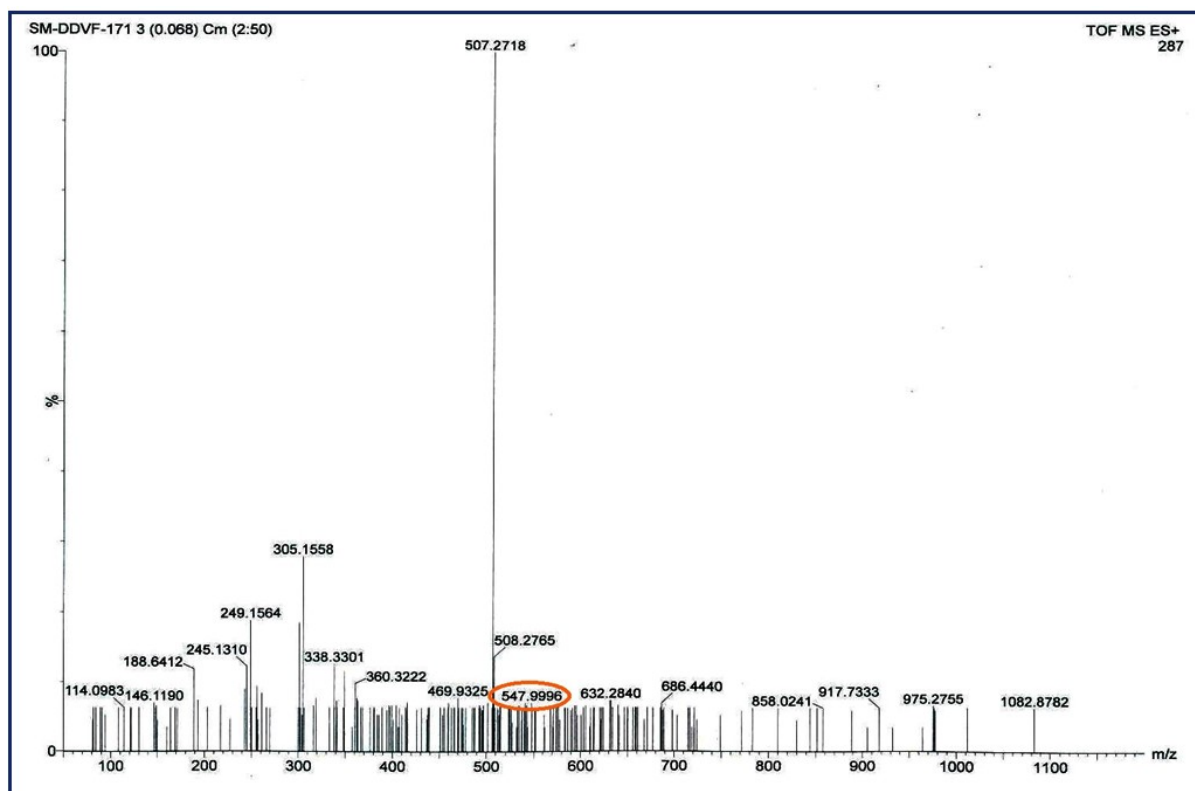


Figure S12 Mass spectrum of C1

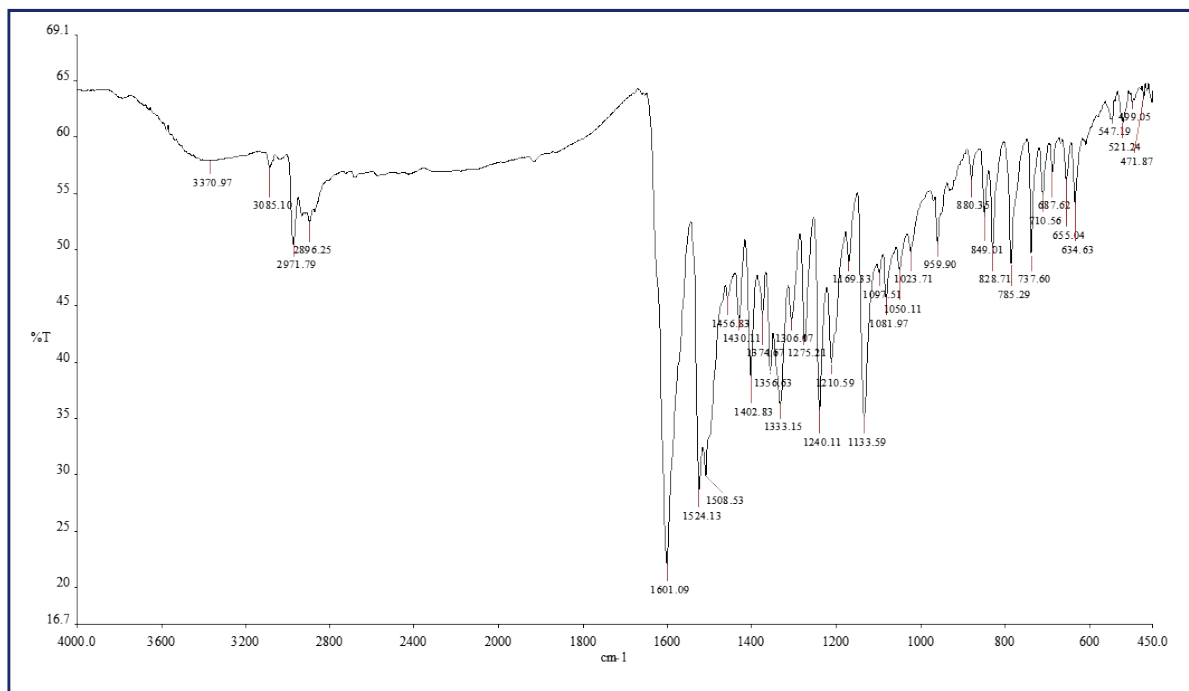


Figure S13 FTIR spectrum of C1

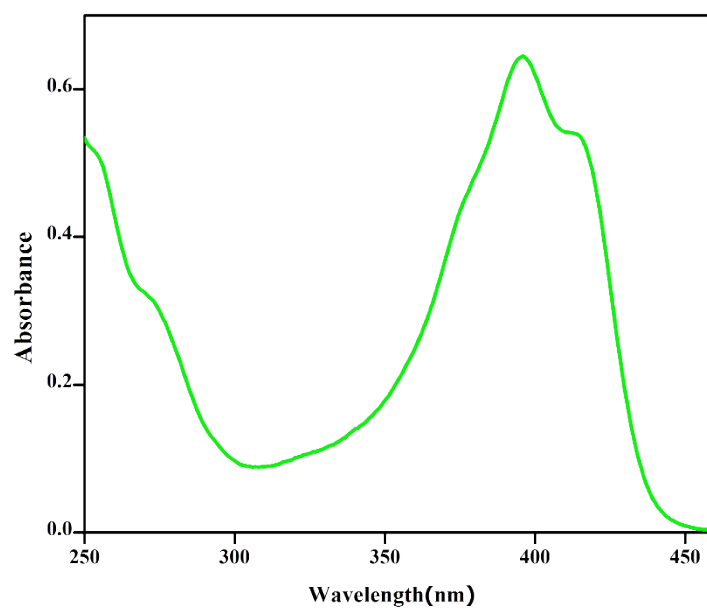


Figure S14 Absorption spectrum of C1

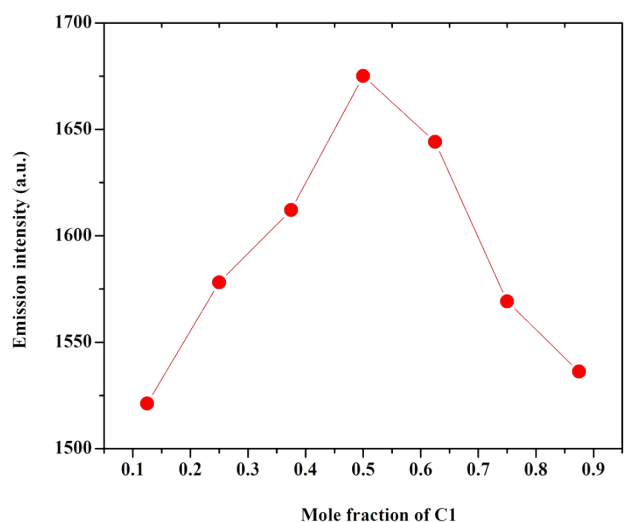


Figure S15 Job's plot for stoichiometry determination ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 369 \text{ nm}$, $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 444 \text{ nm}$)

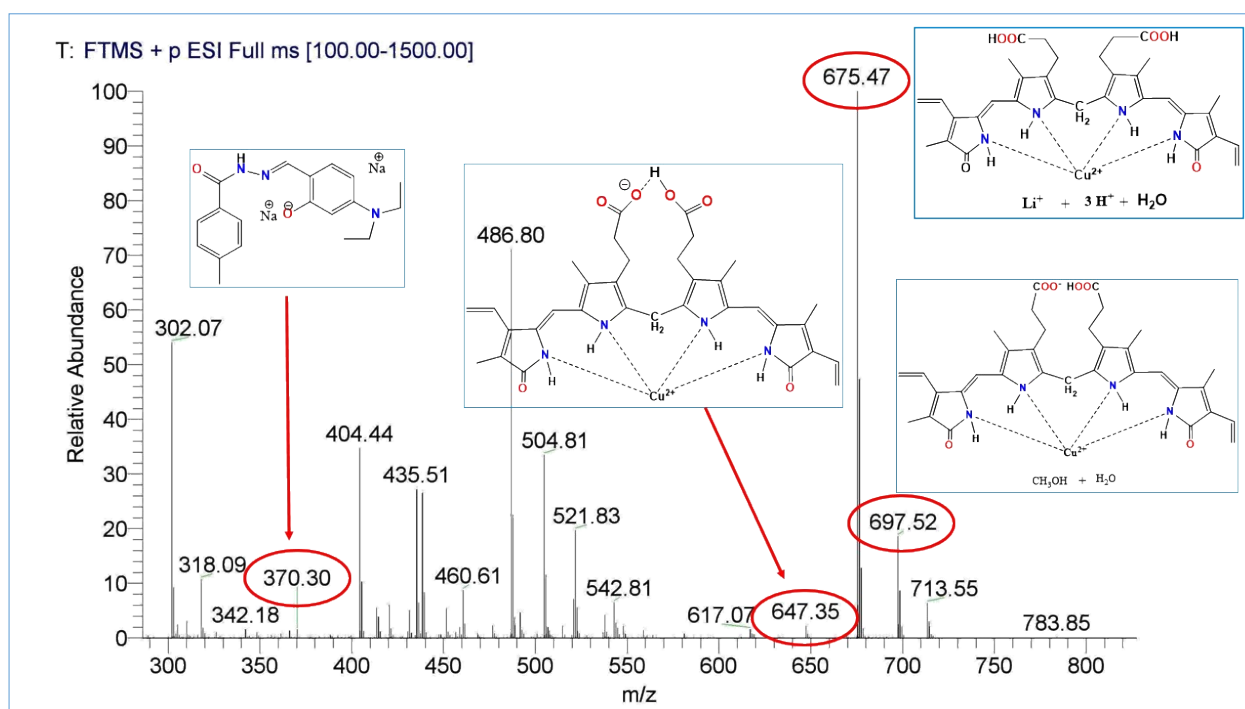


Figure S16 QTOF mass spectrum of [C1-bilirubin] adduct

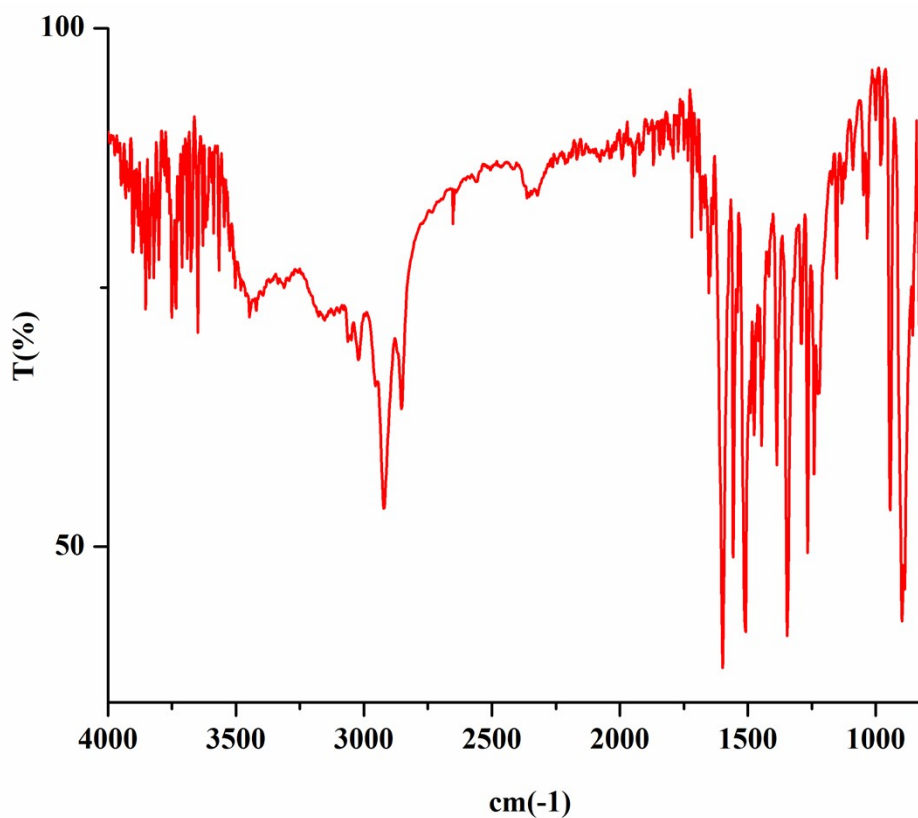


Figure S17 FTIR spectrum of C1-bilirubin adduct

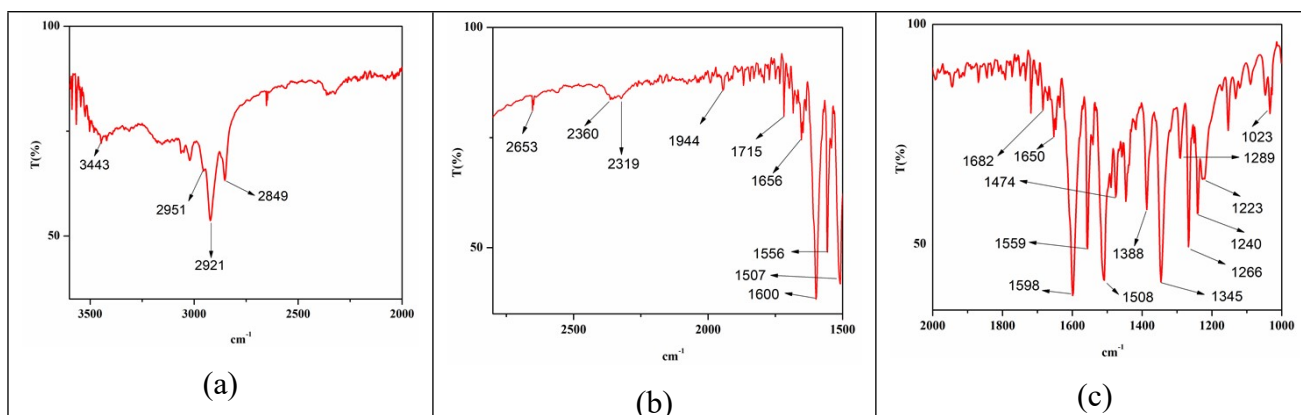


Figure S18 Enlarged view of Figure S17 (a) region: 3600-2000 cm^{-1} , (b) region: 2800-1500 cm^{-1} , (c) region: 2000-1000 cm^{-1}

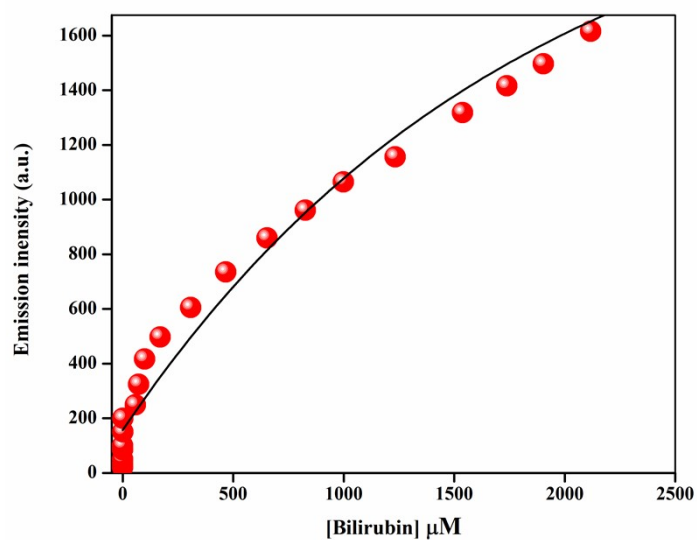


Figure S19 Plot of emission intensities of C1 (20 μM, λ_{ex} = 369 nm, λ_{em} = 444 nm) as a function of added bilirubin (1.0-2500 μM).

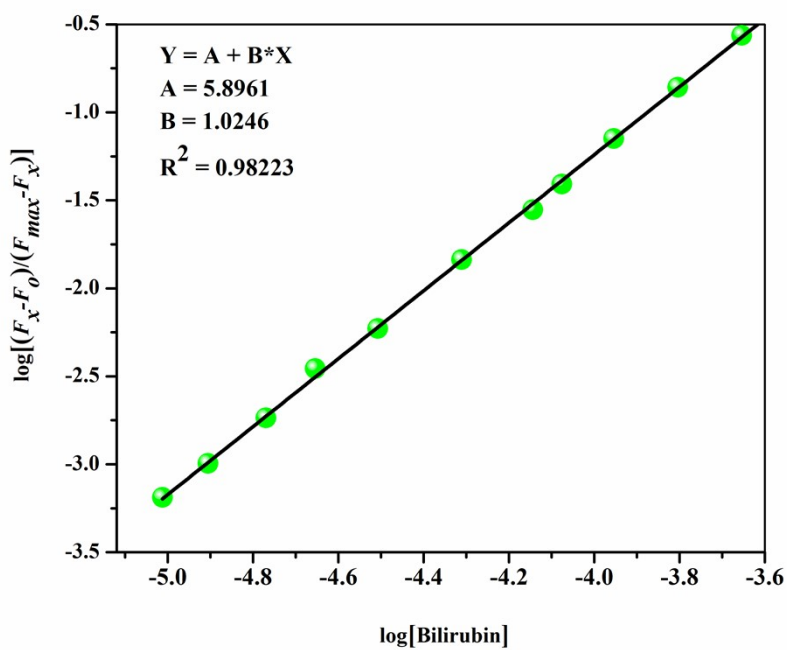


Figure S20 Hill's plot for determination of association constant of C1 (20 μM, λ_{ex} = 369 nm, λ_{em} = 444 nm) with bilirubin (linear portion only)

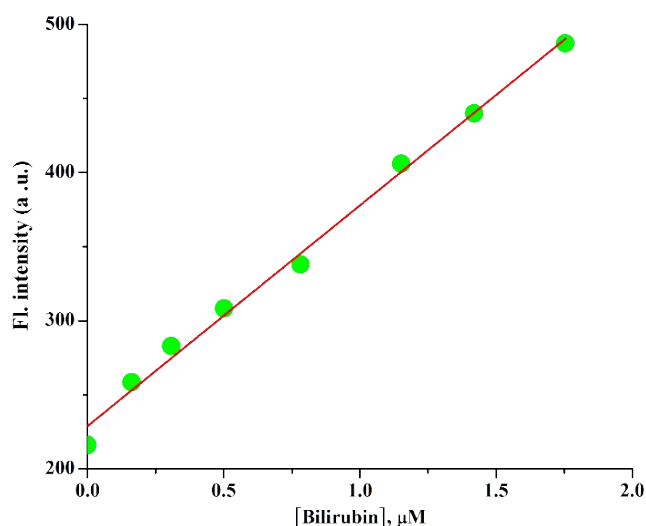


Figure S21 Determination of detection limit based on change in the emission intensity at $\lambda_{em}=444\text{ nm}$ of C1 (20 μM) with Bilirubin(linier portion of **Figure S19**)

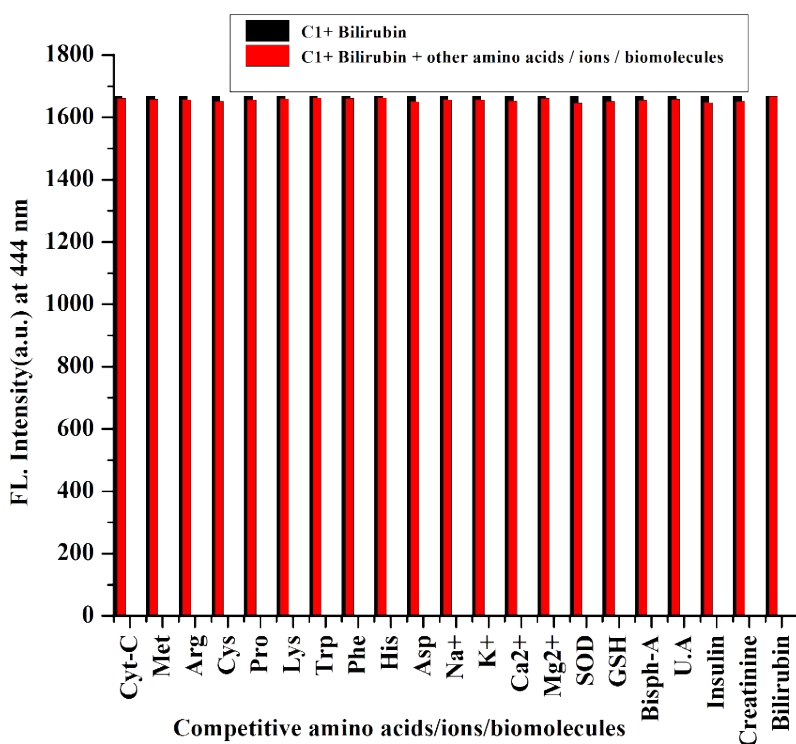


Figure S22 Plot showing interference regarding bilirubin determination using C1 by fluorescence method ($\lambda_{ex}=369\text{ nm}$, $\lambda_{em}=444\text{ nm}$).

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement parameter for **L** and its complexes **V1** and **C1**

| Crystal parameters | L (CCDCNo.:1837665) | V1 (CCDC No.: 1837654) | C1 (CCDC No.: 1837659) |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Empirical formula | C ₁₉ H ₂₃ N ₃ O ₂ | C ₄₀ H ₄₈ N ₆ O ₈ V ₂ | C ₁₉ H ₂₁ Cu N ₃ O ₂ |
| Formula weight | 325.40 g/mol | 842.72 g/mol | 386.94 g/mol |
| Temperature | 100 K | 150 K | 150 K |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å | 0.71073 Å | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system | Triclinic | Triclinic | Triclinic |
| Space group | P -1 | P -1 | P -1 |
| Unit cell dimensions | a=9.8512(6) Å; α= 94.283(5) b=11.5664(8) Å; β= 99.404(4) c = 15.7394(10) Å; γ = 102.695(4) | a= 8.146(3)Å; α= 107.404(14) b =10.585(5) Å; β= 99.533(12) c = 12.953(6) Å; γ = 106.007(13) | a = 5.8707(19) Å; α= 86.627(11) b = 11.414(4) Å; β= 77.937(10)c = 12.565(4)Å; γ = 87.756(11) |
| Volume | 1714.6(2) Å ³ | 986.3(8) | 821.6(5) Å ³ |
| Z | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Density (calculated) | 1.261 g/cm ³ | 1.419 g/cm ³ | 1.564 g/cm ³ |
| Absorption coefficient | 0.083 mm ⁻¹ | 0.534 mm ⁻¹ | 1.347 mm ⁻¹ |
| F (000) | 696.0 | 440.0 | 402.8 |
| Theta range for data collection | 2.31to28.282° | 1.711to 25.654° | 2.38to 27.300° |
| Index ranges | -13<=h<=13, - 15<=k<=15, - 20<=l<=20 | -9<=h<=9, - 12<=k<=12, - 15<=l<=15 | -7<=h<=7, -14<=k<=14, - 16<=l<=16 |
| Reflections collected | 8498 | 3653 | 3663 |
| Independent reflections | 5290 | 2376 | 3160 |
| Data Completeness | 100 % | 98.1 % | 98.5% |
| Absorption correction | multi-scan | multi-scan | multi-scan |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix least-squares on F ² | Full-matrix least-squares on F ² | Full-matrix least-squares on F ² |
| Refinement program | SHELXL-2013 (Sheldrick, 2013) | SHELXL-2013 (Sheldrick, 2013) | SHELXL-2015 (Sheldrick, 2015) |
| restraints / parameters | 0/448 | 0/257 | 0 / 230 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.042 | 1.046 | 1.041 |

Table S2 Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **V1**

| Bond lengths (Å) | Bond angles (°) | Bond angles (°) |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| V O4 1.597(3) | O4 V O3 100.72(14) | C4 C3 C2 120.2(4) |
| V O3 1.854(3) | O4 V O2 98.96(14) | C3 C4 C5 121.8(4) |
| V O2 1.856(3) | O3 V O2 105.25(13) | C4 C5 C6 117.6(4) |
| V O1 1.955(3) | O4 V O1 99.96(14) | C4 C5 C8 121.2(4) |
| V N2 2.090(4) | O3 V O1 90.34(13) | C6 C5 C8 121.2(5) |
| V O3 2.278(3) | O2 V O1 152.70(13) | C7 C6 C5 121.2(5) |
| O1 C1 1.333(5) | O4 V N2 97.38(15) | C6 C7 C2 120.6(4) |
| O2 C11 1.358(5) | O3 V N2 158.19(13) | N2 C9 C10 124.6(4) |
| O3 C20 1.440(5) | O2 V N2 83.69(14) | C15 C10 C11 117.1(4) |
| O3 V 2.278(3) | O1 V N2 74.53(13) | C15 C10 C9 121.3(4) |
| N1 C1 1.309(5) | O4 V O3 173.34(14) | C11 C10 C9 121.6(4) |
| N1 N2 1.404(5) | O3 V O3 72.72(12) | O2 C11 C12 119.1(4) |
| N2 C9 1.315(5) | O2 V O3 82.01(12) | O2 C11 C10 119.6(4) |
| N3 C13 1.363(5) | O1 V O3 81.47(11) | C12 C11 C10 121.3(4) |
| N3 C18 1.464(6) | N2 V O3 89.28(12) | C11 C12 C13 120.8(4) |
| N3 C16 1.479(5) | C1 O1 V 117.7(3) | N3 C13 C12 121.6(4) |
| C1 C2 1.488(6) | C11 O2 V 131.1(3) | N3 C13 C14 120.8(4) |
| C2 C3 1.401(6) | C20 O3 V 126.6(3) | C12 C13 C14 117.6(4) |
| C2 C7 1.405(6) | C20 O3 V 122.1(2) | C15 C14 C13 120.4(4) |
| C3 C4 1.388(6) | V O3 V 107.28(12) | C14 C15 C10 122.8(5) |
| C4 C5 1.399(7) | C1 N1 N2 107.1(4) | N3 C16 C17 113.7(4) |
| C5 C6 1.404(7) | C9 N2 N1 116.1(4) | N3 C18 C19 113.3(4) |
| C5 C8 1.519(6) | C9 N2 V 125.8(3) | |
| C6 C7 1.387(6) | N1 N2 V 117.9(3) | |
| C9 C10 1.423(6) | C13 N3 C18 122.2(3) | |
| C10 C15 1.412(6) | C13 N3 C16 121.9(4) | |
| C10 C11 1.419(6) | C18 N3 C16 115.8(4) | |
| C11 C12 1.394(6) | N1 C1 O1 122.7(4) | |
| C12 C13 1.424(6) | N1 C1 C2 119.8(4) | |
| C13 C14 1.434(6) | O1 C1 C2 117.5(4) | |
| C14 C15 1.370(6) | C3 C2 C7 118.6(4) | |

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| C16 C17 1.525(6) | C3 C2 C1 121.7(4) | |
| C18 C19 1.528(6) | C7 C2 C1 119.7(4) | |

Table S3 Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **C1**

| Bond lengths (Å) | Bond angles (°) | Bond angles (°) |
|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Cu Cu 3.080(2) | O2 Cu O1 108.4(2) | C15 C10 C9 116.9(6) |
| Cu O1 1.982(5) | O2 Cu O1 172.71(19) | C15 C10 C11 118.0(6) |
| Cu O2 1.972(4) | N2 Cu O1 80.9(2) | C10 C11 O2 122.1(6) |
| Cu O2 2.012(5) | N2 Cu O2 165.8(2) | C12 C11 O2 119.3(6) |
| Cu N2 1.896(5) | N2 Cu O2 91.8(2) | C12 C11 C10 118.6(6) |
| O1 C1 1.303(9) | C1 O1 Cu 108.5(4) | C13 C12 C11 121.6(6) |
| O2 C11 1.346(8) | C11 O2 Cu 132.8(4) | C12 C13 N3 121.4(6) |
| N1 N2 1.400(7) | C11 O2 Cu 125.9(4) | C14 C13 N3 119.5(7) |
| N1 C1 1.304(9) | C1 N1 N2 108.8(5) | C14 C13 C12 119.1(6) |
| N2 C9 1.292(9) | N1 N2 Cu 115.9(4) | C15 C14 C13 118.2(7) |
| N3 C13 1.379(9) | C9 N2 Cu 128.9(5) | C14 C15 C10 124.4(7) |
| N3 C16 1.457(10) | C9 N2 N1 115.2(5) | C17 C16 N3 114.1(7) |
| N3 C18 1.456(10) | C16 N3 C13 121.5(6) | C19 C18 N3 113.6(7) |
| C1 C2 1.487(9) | C18 N3 C13 120.7(6) | |
| C2 C3 1.395(10) | C18 N3 C16 117.4(6) | |
| C2 C7 1.397(10) | N1 C1 O1 125.2(6) | |
| C3 C4 1.391(10) | C2 C1 O1 119.5(6) | |
| C4 C5 1.384(11) | C2 C1 N1 115.3(6) | |
| C5 C6 1.395(11) | C3 C2 C1 120.4(6) | |
| C5 C8 1.508(10) | C7 C2 C1 121.1(7) | |
| C6 C7 1.378(10) | C7 C2 C3 118.5(6) | |
| C9 C10 1.420(9) | C4 C3 C2 120.6(6) | |
| C10 C11 1.416(9) | C5 C4 C3 121.2(7) | |
| C10 C15 1.386(10) | C6 C5 C4 117.6(6) | |
| C11 C12 1.409(9) | C8 C5 C4 121.0(7) | |
| C12 C13 1.409(10) | C8 C5 C6 121.4(7) | |
| C13 C14 1.405(10) | C7 C6 C5 122.1(7) | |

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| C14 C15 1.378(10) | C6 C7 C2 120.0(7) | |
| C16 C17 1.509(12) | C10 C9 N2 125.2(6) | |
| C18 C19 1.533(11) | C11 C10 C9 125.1(6) | |

Table S4 Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **L**

| Bond lengths (Å) | Bond angles (°) | Bond angles (°) |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| C101 C106 1.389(2) | C106 C101 C102 118.22(16) | O22 C210 C209 121.56(15) |
| C101 C102 1.396(2) | C106 C101 C107 118.54(15) | C211 C210 C209 120.97(16) |
| C101 C107 1.491(2) | C102 C101 C107 123.23(15) | C210 O22 H12B 106.1(16) |
| C102 C103 1.383(2) | C103 C102 C101 120.38(16) | C210 C211 C212 121.40(16) |
| C103 C104 1.390(2) | C102 C103 C104 121.55(16) | N23 C212 C211 121.31(16) |
| C104 C105 1.388(2) | C105 C104 C103 117.89(16) | N23 C212 C213 121.02(16) |
| C104 C4A 1.506(2) | C105 C104 C4A 121.59(16) | C211 C212 C213 117.67(16) |
| C105 C106 1.387(2) | C103 C104 C4A 120.51(16) | C214 C213 C212 120.81(17) |
| C107 O11 1.239(2) | C106 C105 C104 120.98(17) | C213 C214 C209 121.96(16) |
| C107 N11 1.349(2) | C105 C106 C101 120.95(16) | C212 N23 C215 120.98(16) |
| N11 N12 1.3767(19) | O11 C107 N11 121.49(16) | C212 N23 C217 122.60(15) |
| N12 C108 1.286(2) | O11 C107 C101 122.57(15) | C215 N23 C217 116.24(15) |
| C108 C109 1.440(2) | N11 C107 C101 115.93(14) | C212 N23 C15' 117.7(4) |
| C109 C114 1.397(2) | C107 N11 N12 119.18(14) | C217 N23 C15' 109.4(4) |
| C109 C110 1.407(2) | C108 N12 N11 117.34(14) | N23 C215 C216 111.38(19) |
| C110 O12 1.363(2) | N12 C108 C109 120.38(15) | C16' C15' N23 104.0(9) |
| C110 C111 1.381(2) | C114 C109 C110 116.98(16) | N23 C217 C218 113.04(16) |
| O12 H12A 0.91(3) | C114 C109 C108 120.73(15) | |
| C111 C112 1.405(2) | C110 C109 C108 122.29(15) | |
| C112 N13 1.376(2) | O12 C110 C111 117.57(15) | |
| C112 C113 1.416(2) | O12 C110 C109 121.17(15) | |
| C113 C114 1.373(2) | C111 C110 C109 121.25(16) | |
| N13 C115 1.451(2) | C110 O12 H12A 106.0(16) | |
| N13 C117 1.460(2) | C110 C111 C112 121.28(15) | |
| C115 C116 1.522(3) | N13 C112 C111 121.68(15) | |
| C117 C118 1.516(3) | N13 C112 C113 120.87(16) | |

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| C201 C202 1.389(2) | C111 C112 C113 117.44(16) | |
| C201 C206 1.393(2) | C114 C113 C112 120.40(16) | |
| C201 C207 1.492(2) | C113 C114 C109 122.57(16) | |
| C202 C203 1.389(2) | C112 N13 C115 121.33(14) | |
| C203 C204 1.392(3) | C112 N13 C117 121.00(15) | |
| C204 C205 1.393(3) | C115 N13 C117 117.67(14) | |
| C204 C4B 1.510(2) | N13 C115 C116 113.91(16) | |
| C205 C206 1.385(2) | N13 C117 C118 113.87(15) | |
| C207 O21 1.2283(19) | C202 C201 C206 119.42(16) | |
| C207 N21 1.352(2) | C202 C201 C207 123.07(16) | |
| N21 N22 1.3831(19) | C206 C201 C207 117.51(15) | |
| N22 C208 1.285(2) | C203 C202 C201 119.85(17) | |
| C208 C209 1.446(2) | C202 C203 C204 121.23(17) | |
| C209 C214 1.403(2) | C203 C204 C205 118.27(16) | |
| C209 C210 1.412(2) | C203 C204 C4B 121.54(17) | |
| C210 O22 1.356(2) | C205 C204 C4B 120.17(17) | |
| C210 C211 1.383(2) | C206 C205 C204 120.94(17) | |
| O22 H12B 0.93(3) | C205 C206 C201 120.22(16) | |
| C211 C212 1.399(2) | O21 C207 N21 122.91(15) | |
| C212 N23 1.371(2) | O21 C207 C201 122.23(15) | |
| C212 C213 1.411(2) | N21 C207 C201 114.84(14) | |
| C213 C214 1.373(2) | C207 N21 N22 118.30(13) | |
| N23 C215 1.455(3) | C208 N22 N21 116.94(14) | |
| N23 C217 1.461(2) | N22 C208 C209 120.56(15) | |
| N23 C15' 1.703(13) | C214 C209 C210 117.16(15) | |
| C215 C216 1.520(4) | C214 C209 C208 119.92(15) | |
| C15' C16' 1.481(17) | C210 C209 C208 122.92(15) | |
| C217 C218 1.517(3) | O22 C210 C211 117.47(15) | |

Table S5 FTIR data (cm⁻¹) of free bilirubin and Cu(II)-bilirubin adduct

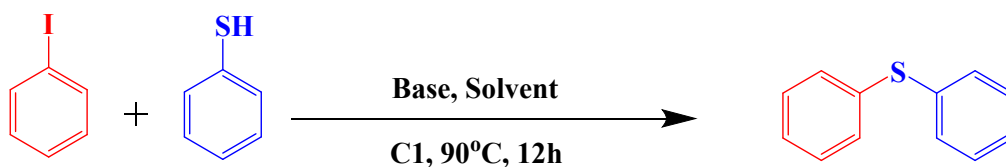
| Vibration mode | Bilirubin | Cu(II)-bilirubin adduct |
|--|------------|-------------------------|
| $\nu_{\text{N-H}}$ | 3406 | 3443 |
| $\nu_{\text{N-H}}$ (lactum) | 3267 | 3443 |
| $\nu_{\text{N-H}}$ | 3008 | 2951 |
| $\nu_{\text{N-H}}$ | 2912 | 2921 |
| $\nu_{\text{C-H}}$ | 2856 | 2849 |
| $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ (COOH) | 1695 | 1682 |
| $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$ (lactum) | 1645 | 1650 |
| $\nu_{\text{C=C}}$ | 1611 | 1598 |
| $\nu_{\text{C=C}}$ | 1568 | 1559 |
| Ring torsion | 1499 | 1508 |
| Bridge carbon deformation, ring torsion | 1445 | 1474 |
| $\nu_{\text{C-N}}$, CH ₃ bending | 1406 | 1388 |
| $\nu_{\text{C-H}}$ bending (CH ₃) | 1364, 1345 | 1345 |
| Bridge C-H bending, bridge $\nu_{\text{C=C}}$, $\nu_{\text{C-N}}$ | 1300 | 1289 |
| Ring | 1250 | 1266 |
| $\nu_{\text{C-C}}$ | 1219 | 1240 |
| Ring breathing | 1188 | 1223 |
| Ring C-N | 989 | 1023 |

Table S6 Effect of different solvents on oxidation of diphenyl sulphide catalyzed by V1^a

| Entry | Solvent | H ₂ O ₂ (mmol) | Conversion (%) ^b | Selectivity of sulfoxide (%) ^b |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 1 | Methanol | 10 | 70 | 89 |
| 2 | DMF | 10 | 78 | 76 |
| 3 | Acetonitrile | 10 | 97 | 98 |
| 4 | CHCl ₃ | 10 | 10 | 51 |
| 5 | Toluene | 10 | 9 | 59 |
| 6 | CH ₃ CH ₂ CN | 10 | 48 | 86 |
| 7 | iPrOH | 10 | 30 | 61 |
| 8 | Acetonitrile | 5 | 93 | 80 |
| 9 | Acetonitrile | 15 | 95 | 65 |
| 10 ^c | Acetonitrile | 10 | Trace | Trace |

^aReaction conditions: diphenyl sulfide (5 mmol); 30% aqueous H₂O₂ (10 mmol); solvent (10 mL); 0.050g catalyst. ^b Conversion and selectivity were determined by GC. ^cWithout catalyst.

Table S7 The effect of base and solvent on the **C1** catalyzed C-S cross coupling reactions^a



| Entry | Base | Solvent | Yield (%) ^b |
|----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | K ₂ CO ₃ | DMSO | 73 |
| 2 | K ₂ CO ₃ | DMF | 86 |
| 3 | K₂CO₃ | H₂O | 98 |
| 4 | Cs ₂ CO ₃ | H ₂ O | 82 |
| 5 | KOH | H ₂ O | 58 |
| 6 | Et ₃ N | H ₂ O | 34 |
| 7 | Pyridine | H ₂ O | 12 |
| 8 | None | H ₂ O | None |
| 9 ^c | K₂CO₃ | H₂O | Trace |

^aReaction conditions: Iodobenzene (1 mmol), Thiophenol (1.1 mmol), water (3 mL), base (2 mmol), **C1** (15mg), Temperature (90°C), Time (12h). ^b Yields were determined by GC and GCMS analysis. ^cWithout catalyst

| Sl. No. | Medium | Sensing method | Mechanism | Detection Limit | Binding Constant | Ref. |
|---------|--|----------------|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | PBS Buffer | Turn off | FRET | 150 nM | $4.5 \times 10^3 \text{ M}^{-1}$ | 1 |
| 2 | PBS buffer | Turn off | FRET | 0.59 pM | $8.95 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$ | 2 |
| 3 | HEPES buffer | Turn off | IFE | 1.26 pM | $4.18 \times 10^6 \text{ M}^{-1}$ | 3 |
| 4 | Aqueous | Turn off | Synergetic effect of IFE and PET | 1.75 mM | $6.4 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$ | 4 |
| 5 | DMSO:WATER(1:9) | Turn off | IFE | 0.3 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ | - | 5 |
| 6 | 50 mM HEPES, 5% DMSO | Turn on | Fe ²⁺ -mediated deoxygenation of N-oxide of the probe | 76 nM | - | 6 |
| 7 | Phosphate buffer | Turn off | FRET | 2.8 pM (pH, 7.4); 3.3 pM (pH, 9.0) | - | 7 |
| 8. | Aqueous | Turn off | IFE | 257.4 fM | - | 8 |
| 9. | Aqueous | Turn off | Reductive PET | 1.8 μM | - | 9 |
| 10. | PBS buffer | Turn off | Analyte-induced aggregation | $8.90 \pm 0.34 \text{ nM}$ | - | 10 |
| 11 | Aqueous | Turn off | Static quenching | $1.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ M}$ | $4.0 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$ | 11 |
| 12 | Aqueous chloroform (chloroform: water, 1: 4) | Turn on | Ligand displacement approach | 1.15 nM | $7.78 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}$ | Present work |

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