## **Supplementary Material**

## Quinolin-2(1*H*-)-one-isoxazole dye as acceptor for mild addition of bisulfite in cationic or zwitterionic aqueous micellar solutions.

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	Cationic aqueous micellar solutions		
10⁴ [HSO₃⁻]/M	CTACI 10 <sup>3</sup> <i>K</i> obod/s <sup>-1</sup>	CTABr 10 <sup>3</sup> <i>k</i> -bad/s <sup>-1</sup>	
0.2	0.55	8.07	
0.4	2.24	-	
0.6	2.76	9.43	
0.8	3.01	11.60	
1.0	-	19.70	
1.2	-	23.30	
1.4	10.50	25.70	
1.6	9.87	30.30	
1.8	11.40	35.80	
2.0	14.90	_	
2.2	14.30	_	
2.4	16.30	_	
2.6	17.40	_	
2.0			

**Table S1.** Sulfite concentration effects on the observed rate constant ( $k_{obsd}$ ) for its reaction with **MQI** (25  $\mu$ M) in an aqueous micellar cationic CTACI and CTABr media (0.01 M).

	Zwitterionic aqueous micellar solutions			
10⁴ [HSO <sub>3</sub> ⁻]/M	SB3-10	SB3-14	SB3-16	
	104 <i>K</i> obsd/S <sup>-1</sup>	10* <i>K</i> <sub>obsd</sub> /S <sup>-</sup> '	10 <sup>4</sup> K <sub>obsd</sub> /S <sup>-1</sup>	
0	0.67	1.14	1.72	
1.0	0.67	1.21	1.65	
2.0	1.69	2.12	3.33	
3.0	2.17	3.22	5.10	
4.0	3.21	4.03	6.13	
6.0	4.41	6.32	9.88	
7.0	_	_	11.10	
8.0	5.94	6.97	12.90	
10.0	8.45	9.10	14.70	
12.0	8.78	10.70	15.80	
13.0	_	11.30	_	
14.0	10.40	11.80	_	
15.0	_	13.30	_	

**Table S2.** Sulfite concentration effects on the observed rate constant ( $k_{obsd}$ ) for its reaction with **MQI** (25  $\mu$ M) in an aqueous micellar zwitterionic SB3-10 (0.1 M), SB3-14, and SB3-16 media (0.01 M).

Cl	[ACI	C	<b>FABr</b>	С	PBr
10 <sup>3</sup> [D <sub>n</sub> ]	10² <i>k</i> <sub>obsd</sub> /s <sup>_1</sup>	10 <sup>3</sup> [D <sub>n</sub> ]	10 <sup>2</sup> k <sub>obsd</sub> /s <sup>-1</sup>	10 <sup>3</sup> [D <sub>n</sub> ]	10² <i>k</i> <sub>obsd</sub> /s <sup>-1</sup>
0.5	4.12	1.1	4.08	2.8	0.997
0.9	4.39	1.5	4.78	2.9	1.132
1.7	4.80	1.9	5.30	13.0	1.341
2.5	4.93	2.7	5.36	33.0	1.341
3.3	5.00	3.1	5.45	53.0	1.401
4.1	4.91	4.3	5.68	73.0	1.381
4.5	5.14	5.1	5.74	_	_
6.5	4.98	5.5	5.74	_	_
7.7	4.83	_	_	_	_
8.1	4.81	_	_	_	_

**Table S3.** Effect of Concentration of cationic aqueous micellar solution  $(D_n)^a$  on the observed rate constant ( $k_{obsd}$ ) for the addition reaction of **MQI** (25  $\mu$ M) by bisulfite ion (300  $\mu$ M) at 25 °C.

<sup>a</sup>The concentration of micellized surfactant.

SB	33-10	SE	33-14	SE	33-16
10 <sup>2</sup> [D <sub>T</sub> ]	10 <sup>4</sup> <i>k</i> <sub>obsd</sub> /s <sup>−1</sup>	10 <sup>3</sup> [D <sub>T</sub> ]	10 <sup>4</sup> k <sub>obsd</sub> /s <sup>-1</sup>	10³[D <sub>⊤</sub> ]	10 <sup>4</sup> <i>k</i> <sub>obsd</sub> /s <sup>−1</sup>
5.1	4.18	3.2	2.03	0.4	1.55
6.1	4.74	3.6	2.71	1.2	2.13
6.4	4.90	4.4	3.49	2.0	3.80
7.2	6.20	4.8	3.89	2.8	4.50
8.0	7.21	6.0	4.75	4.0	5.18
8.5	8.89	6.8	4.93	4.8	6.50
9.3	8.39	8.0	5.97	6.8	9.68
9.8	9.01	8.8	6.49	8.0	10.10
10.0	9.94	9.2	7.64	9.6	10.30

**Table S4.** Effect of Concentration of zwitterionic surfactants  $(D_T)^a$  on the observed rate constant ( $k_{obsd}$ ) for the addition reaction of **MQI** (25 µM) by bisulfite ion (300 µM) at 25 °C.

<sup>a</sup>The stoichiometric surfactant concentration.