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**Phenothiazine-based “turn-on” fluorescent probe for the detection of hydrazine**

**in water, soil, plant and food samples**

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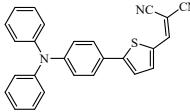
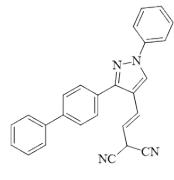
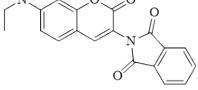
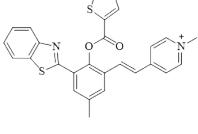
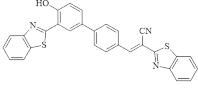
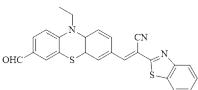
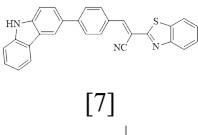
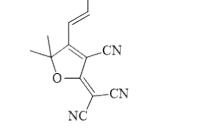
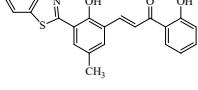
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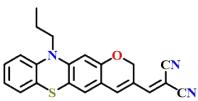
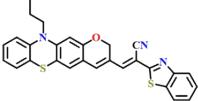
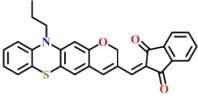
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**Table S1** Comparison of fluorescent probes for N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

Probe structures	$\lambda_{\text{ex}}/\lambda_{\text{em}}$	Detection limit	Stokes shift (nm)	Fluorescence excitation / quenching multiple	Application	Response time
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 286 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 467 \text{ nm}$	1.51 $\mu\text{M}$	181	586	live cells ; zebrafish	110 min
[1]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 295 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 484 \text{ nm}$	0.197 $\mu\text{M}$	189	23	cell imaging; test paper strips; soil samples	18 min
[2]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 400 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 530 \text{ nm}$	0.148 $\mu\text{M}$	130	28	Water; soil; air; cells; zebrafish; plants	8 min
[3]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 415 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 510 \text{ nm}$	23.6 nM	95	-	living cells; zebrafish; plants	<10 s
[4]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 369 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 490 \text{ nm}$	0.438 $\mu\text{M}$	121	6	Water; cells; zebrafish	45 min
[5]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 340 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 545 \text{ nm}$	0.08 $\mu\text{M}$	205	<3	HeLa cells; zebrafish	25 min
[6]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 330 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 430 \text{ nm}$	39 nM	100	-	cells	15 s
[7]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 330 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 450 \text{ nm}$	0.818 nM	120	-	A549 Cells; real water samples	10 s
[8]						
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 405 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 492 \text{ nm}$	6.7 nM	87	-	Water; cells	12min
[9]						

	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 389 \text{ nm}$	7.27 $\mu\text{M}$	161	5.9	Water; soil	60 s
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	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 360 \text{ nm}$	1.05 nM	190	550	Water; soil	15 min
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	$\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 365 \text{ nm}$	26.65 nM	185	38.5	Water; soil	30 min
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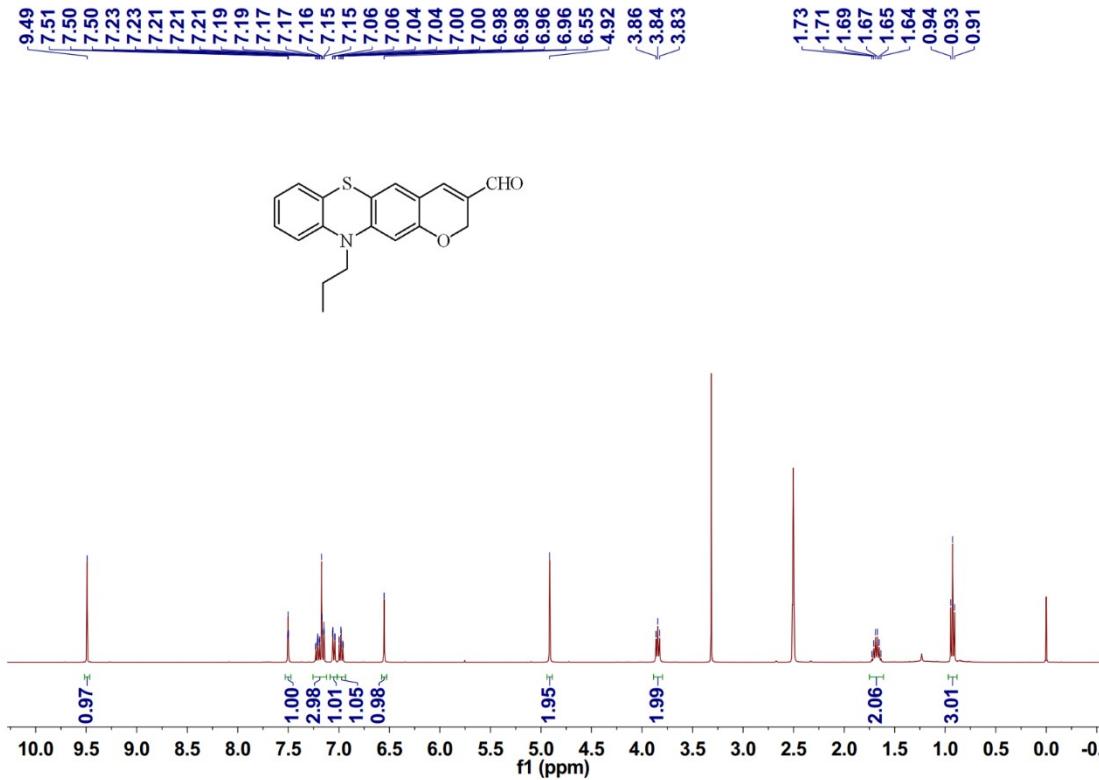
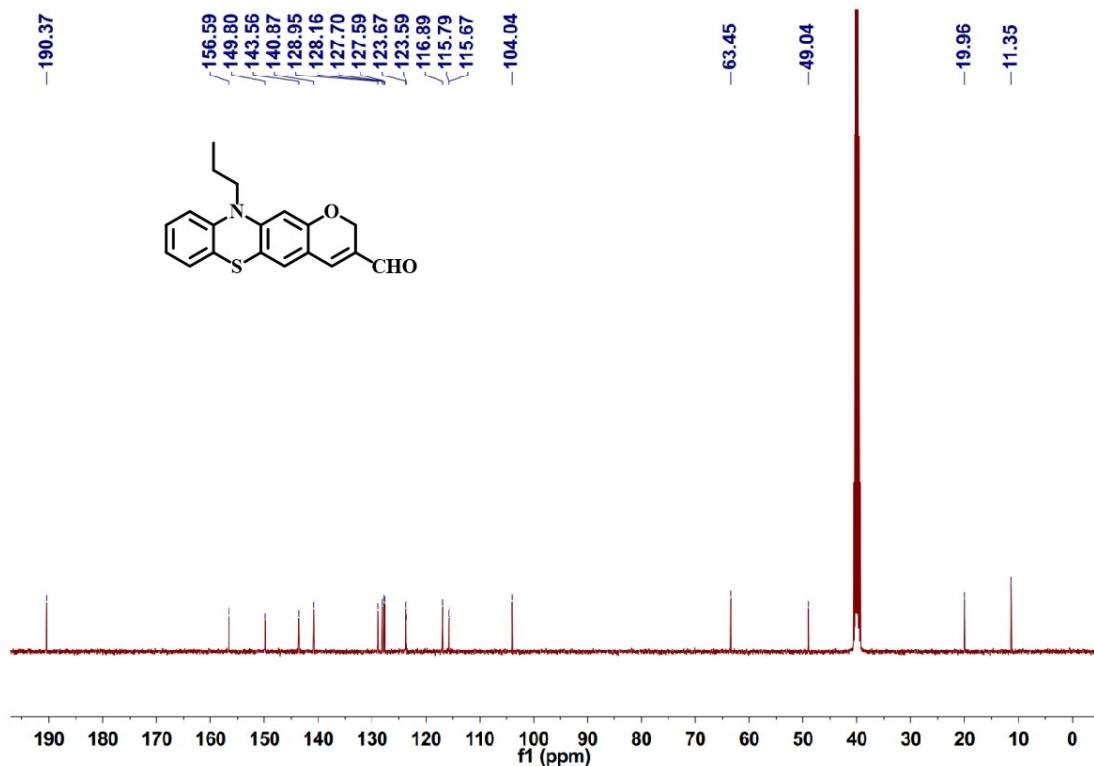
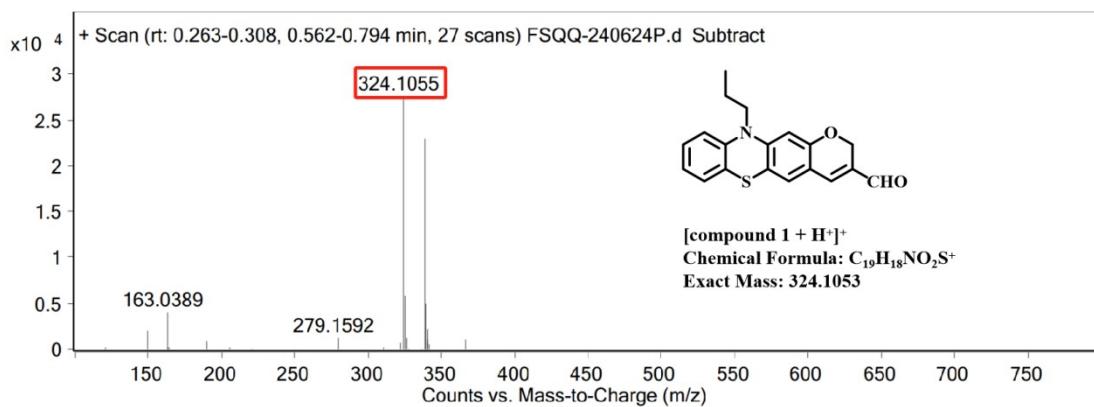


Fig. S1.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of compound 1 in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



**Fig. S2**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of compound 1 in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$



**Fig. S3** HR MS of compound 1.

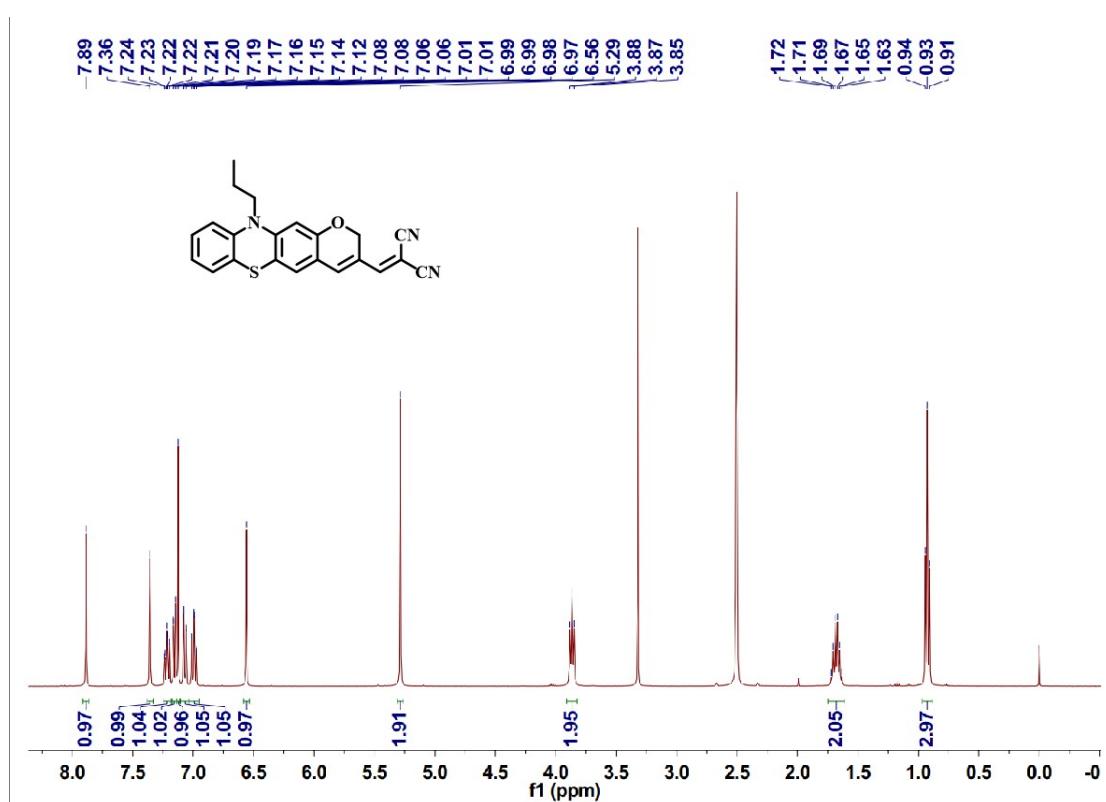


Fig. S4 <sup>1</sup>H NMR of ZWQ-1 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.

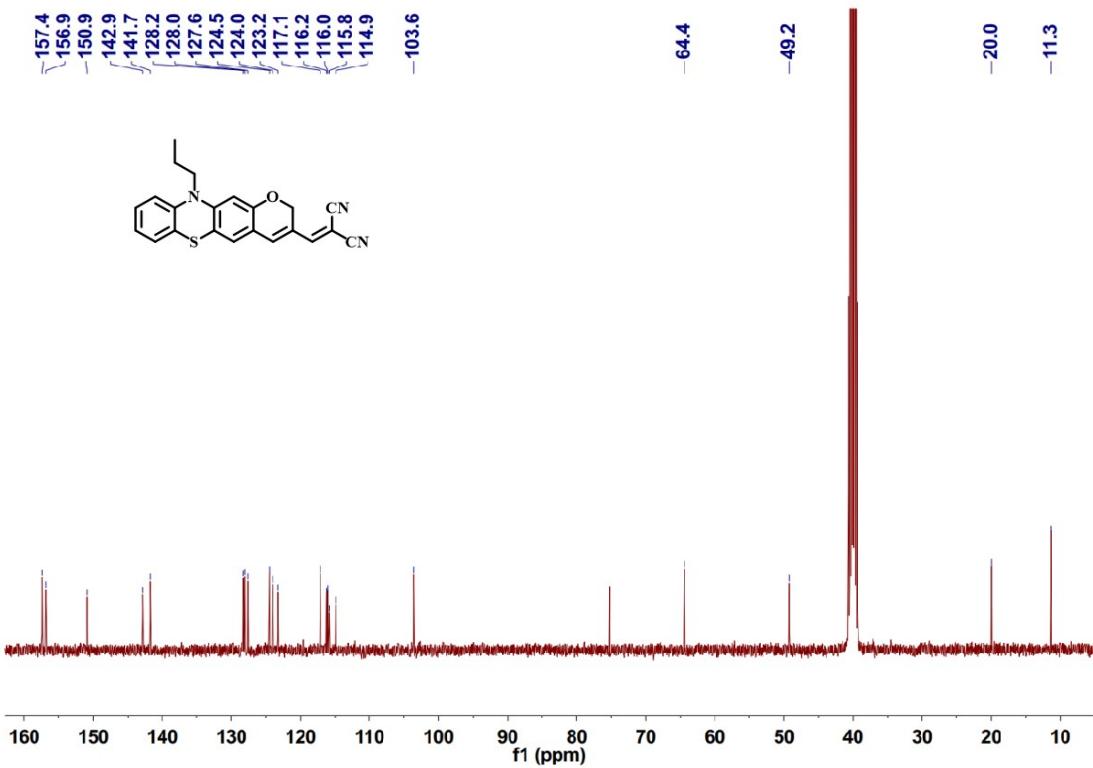
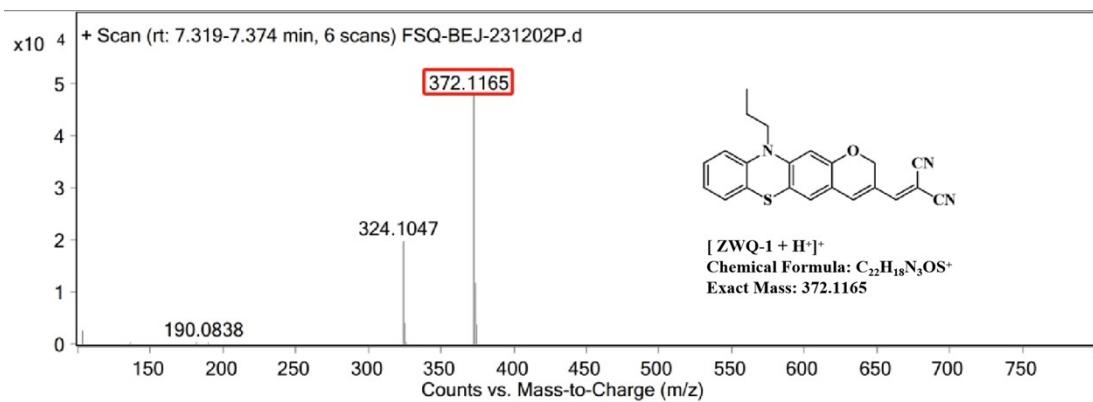
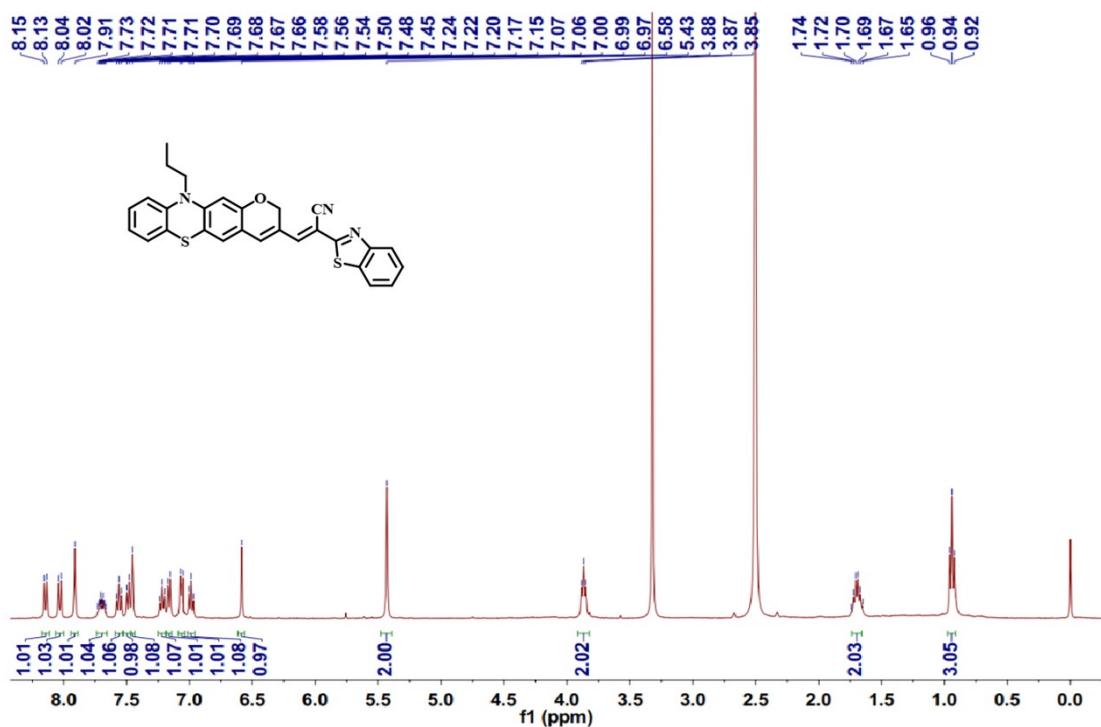


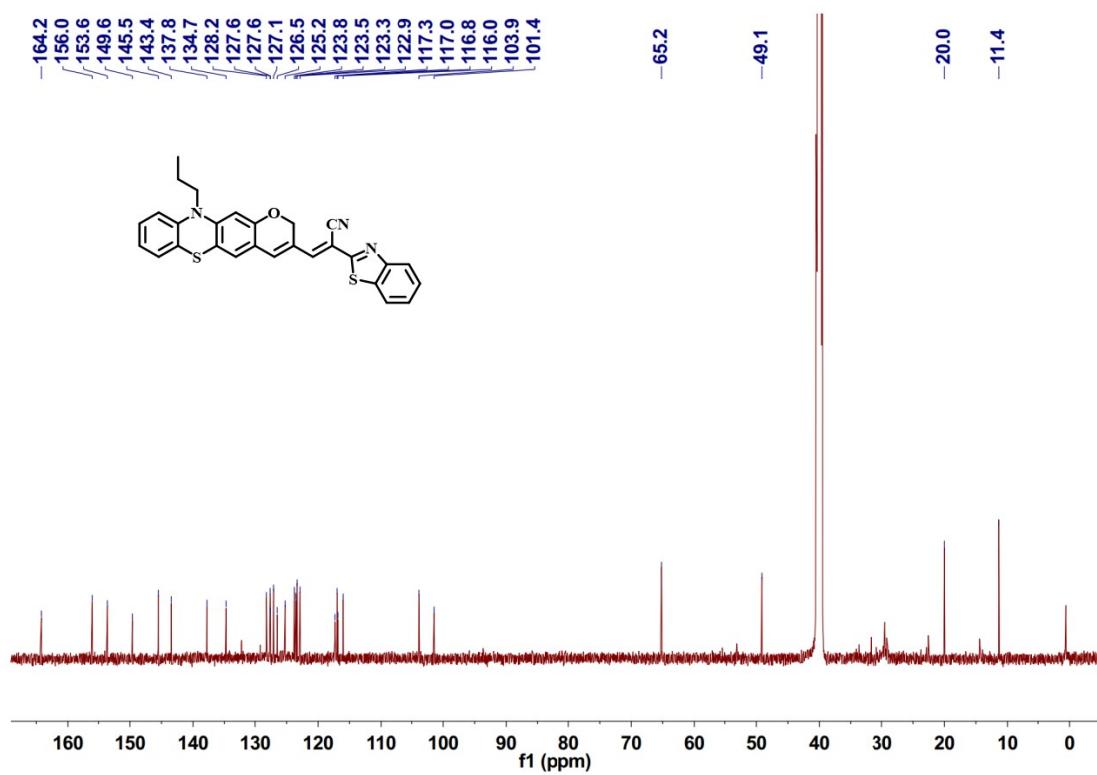
Fig. S5 <sup>13</sup>C NMR of probe ZWQ-1 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



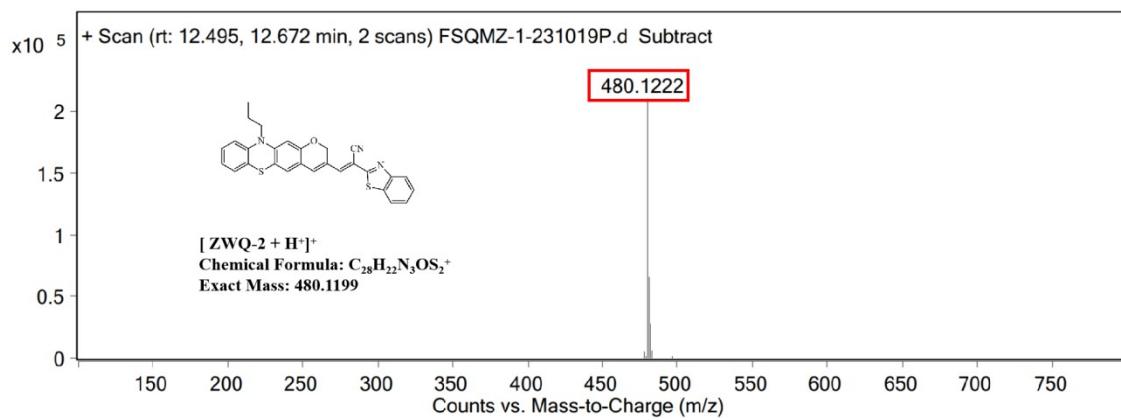
**Fig. S6** HR MS of ZWQ-1.



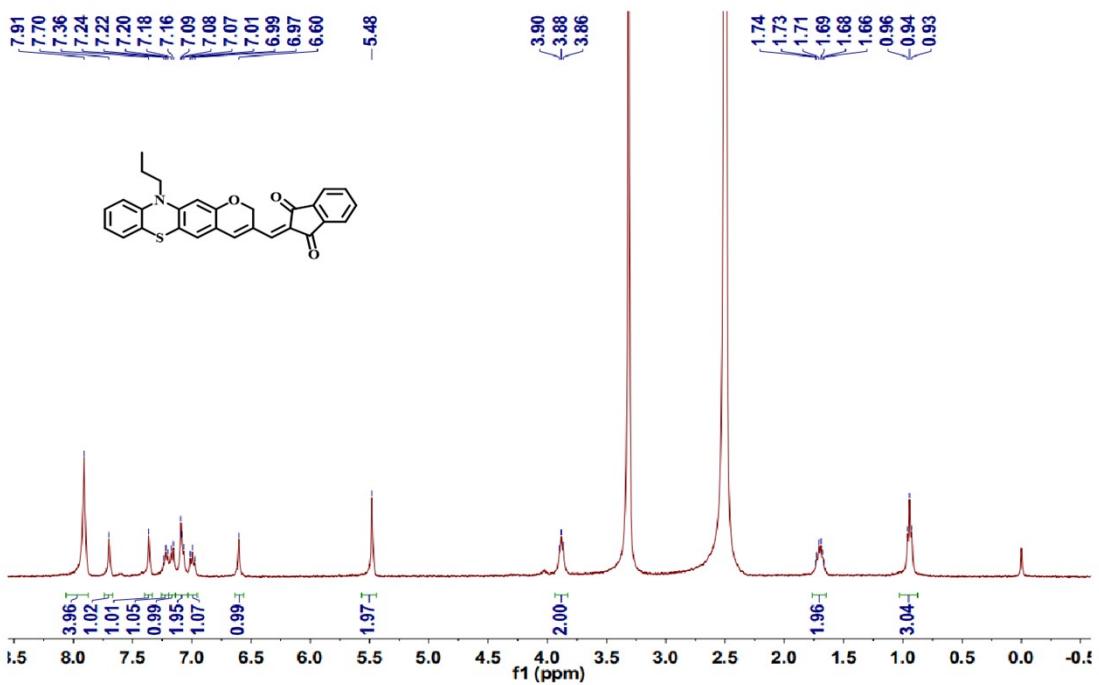
**Fig. S7** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of ZWQ-2 in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



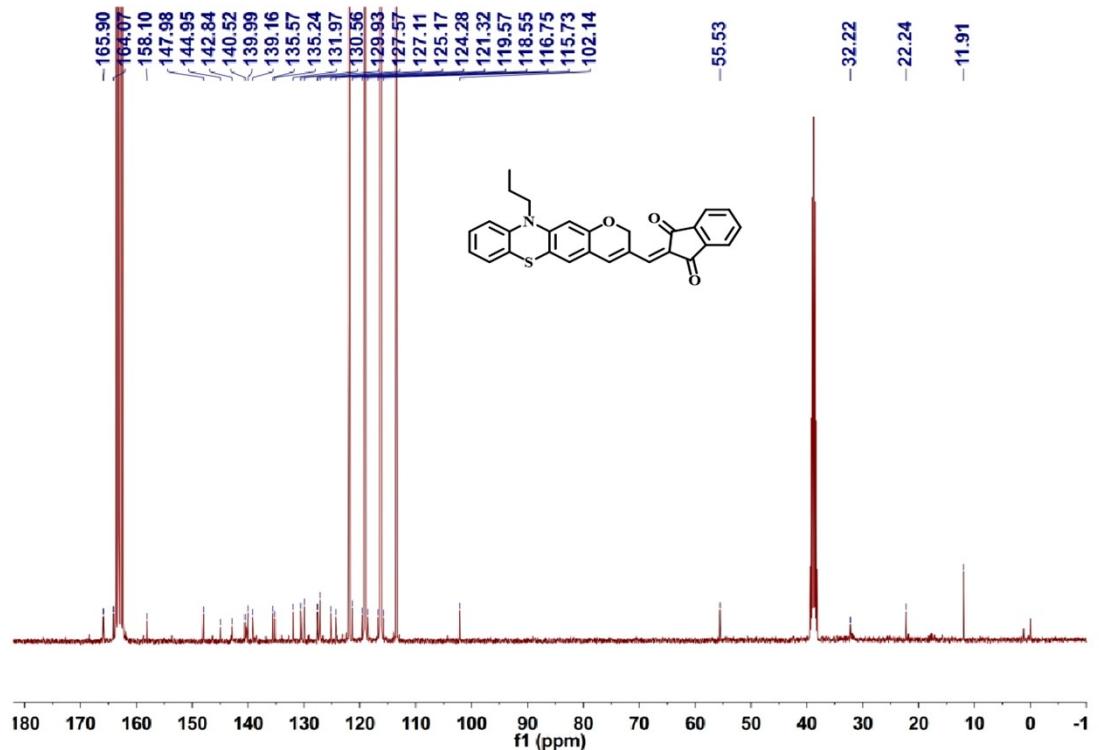
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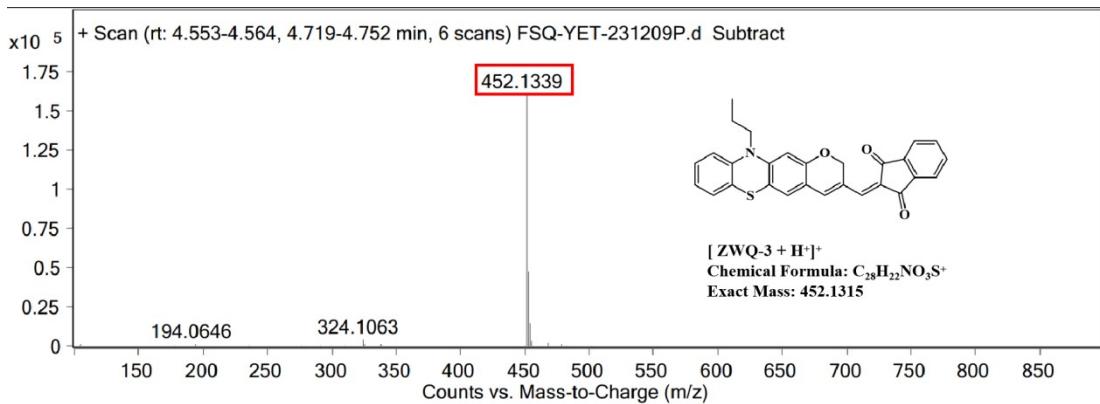
**Fig. S9** HR MS of ZWQ-2.



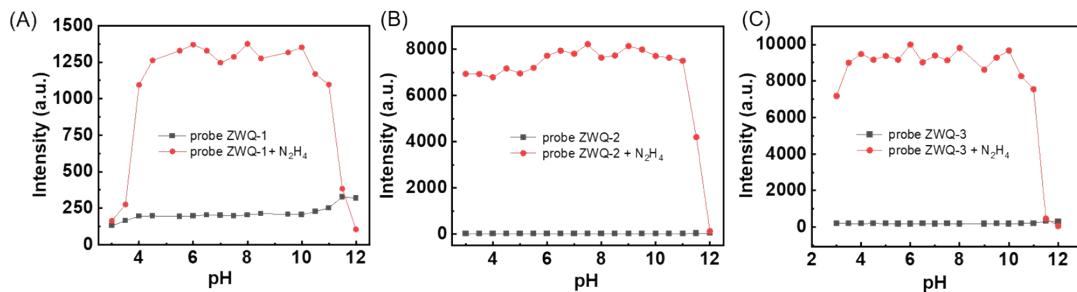
**Fig. S10**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of ZWQ-3 in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



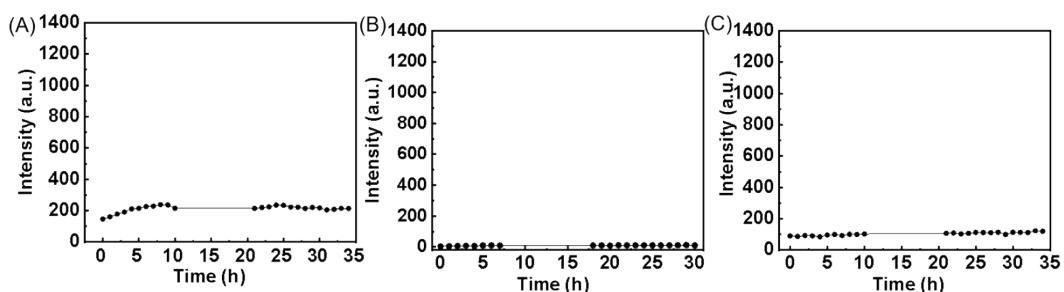
**Fig. S11**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of ZWQ-3 in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .



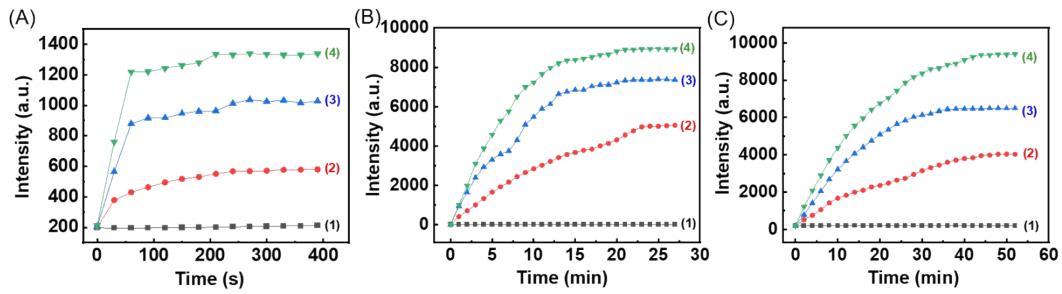
**Fig. S12** HR MS of ZWQ-3.



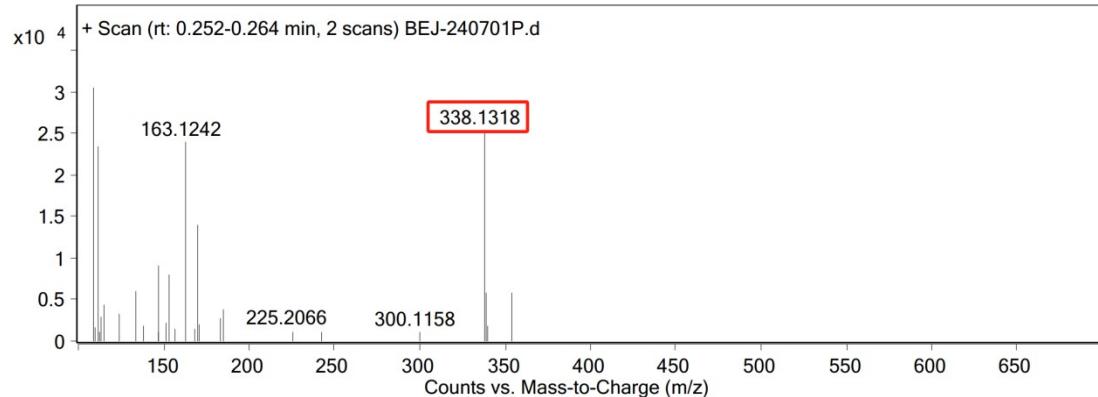
**Fig. S13** pH-dependent fluorescence responses of (A) ZWQ-1, (B) ZWQ-2 and (C) ZWQ-3 to N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>



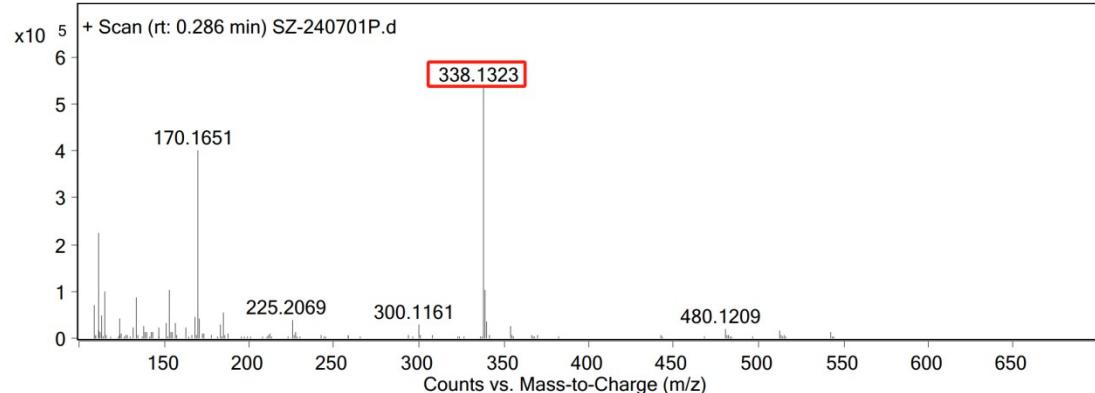
**Fig. S14** Stability of (A) ZWQ-1, (B) ZWQ-2 and (C) ZWQ-3



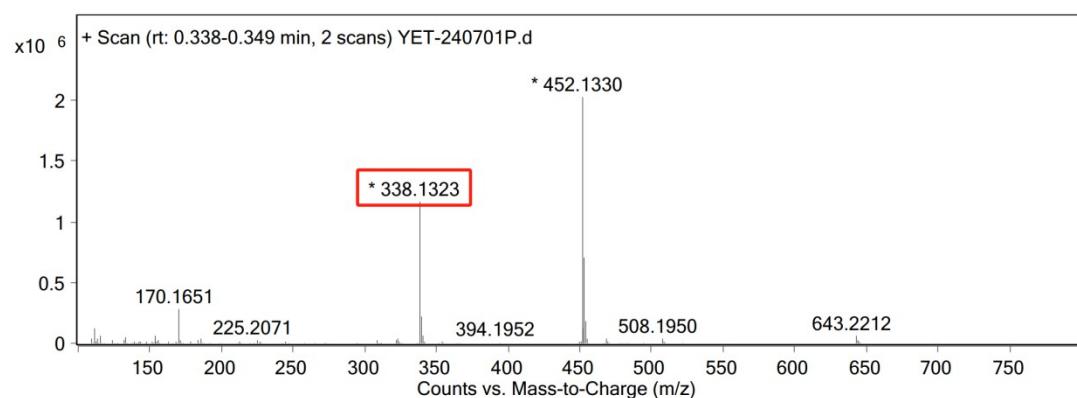
**Fig. S15** Time-dependent fluorescence responses of (A) ZWQ-1, (B) ZWQ-2 and (C) ZWQ-3 to  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$



**Fig. S16** HR MS of ZWQ-1 in the presence of  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$



**Fig. S17** HR MS of ZWQ-2 in the presence of  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$



**Fig. S18** HR MS of ZWQ-3 in the presence of  $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4$

**Table S1** Probe ZWQ-1 validates the N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> detection method in real water samples.

Water sample	Added (μL)	Founded (μL)	Recovery (%)
Tap water	5	4.947	98.9
	10	10.06	100.6
	15	14.985	99.9
Lake water	5	5.125	102.5
	10	9.993	99.9
	15	15.045	100.3
River later	5	4.945	98.9
	10	9.934	99.3
	15	14.955	99.7

**Table S2** Probe ZWQ-2 validates the N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> detection method in real water samples.

Water sample	Added (μL)	Founded (μL)	Recovery ( %)
Tap water	5	4.935	98.7
	10	10.151	101.5
	15	15.122	100.8
Lake water	5	4.931	98.6
	10	9.936	99.3
	15	15.03	100.2
River later	5	5.054	101.1
	10	10.152	101.5
	15	14.737	98.2

**Table S3** Probe ZWQ-3 validates the N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> detection method in real water samples.

Water sample	Added (μL)	Founded (μL)	Recovery (%)
Tap water	5	4.935	98.7
	10	9.87	98.7
	15	15.012	100.1
Lake water	5	4.818	96.4
	10	9.748	97.5
	15	15.007	100
River later	5	4.85	97.0
	10	9.844	98.4
	15	14.923	99.5

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