

Supporting Information

A novel covalent organic framework containing triazine-trithiophene for dual-mode fluorescent and colorimetric detection of Fe²⁺ and Fe³⁺ in water, kale and bovine liver samples

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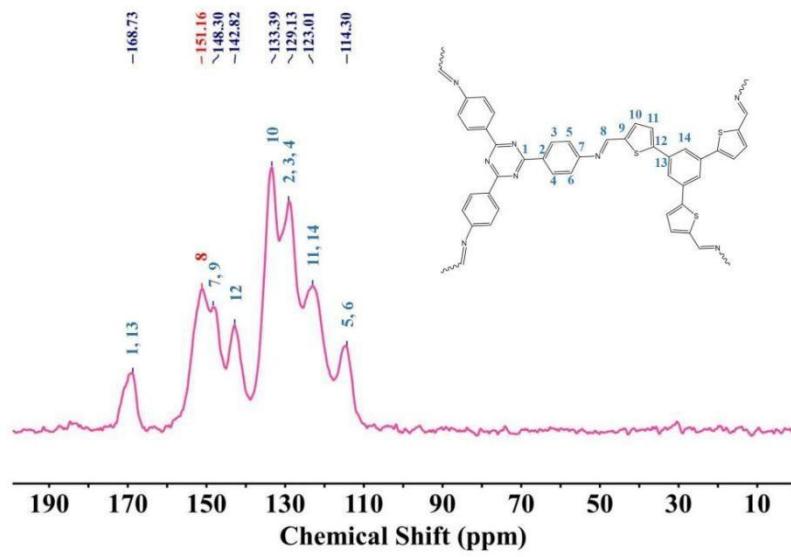


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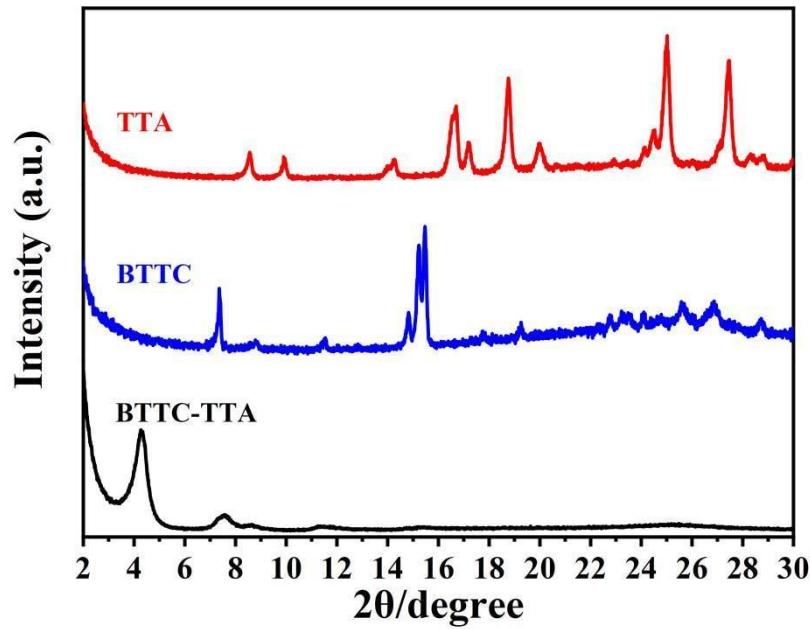


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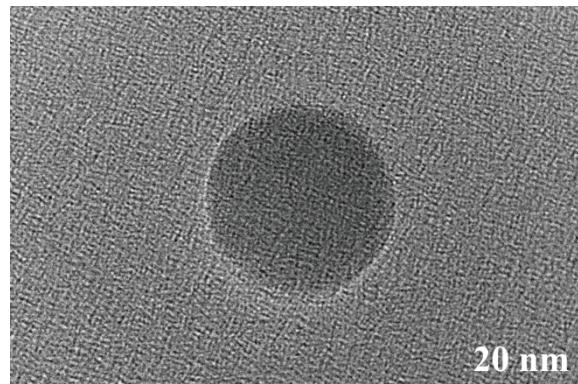


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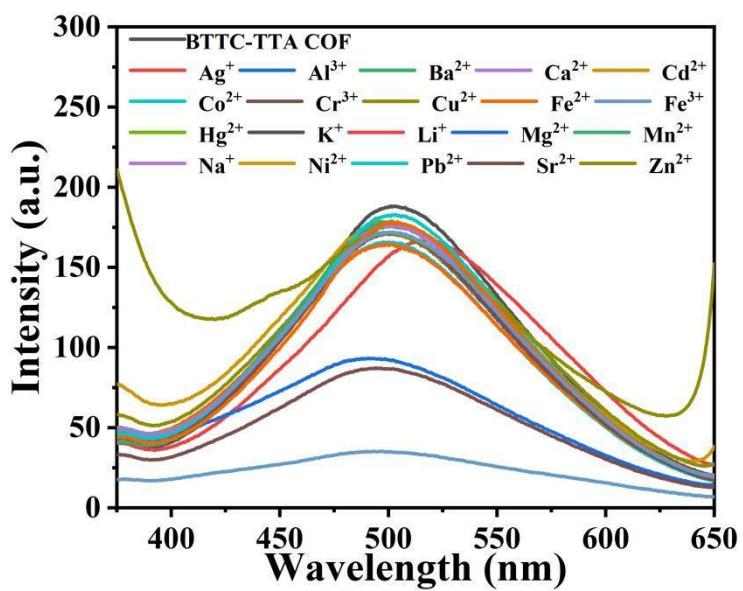


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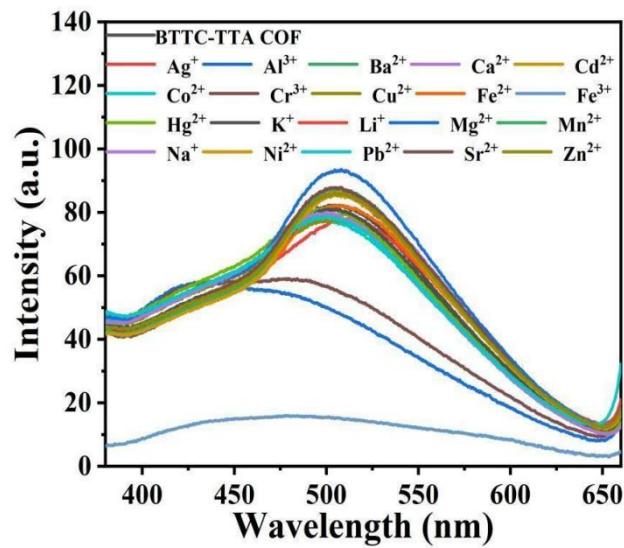


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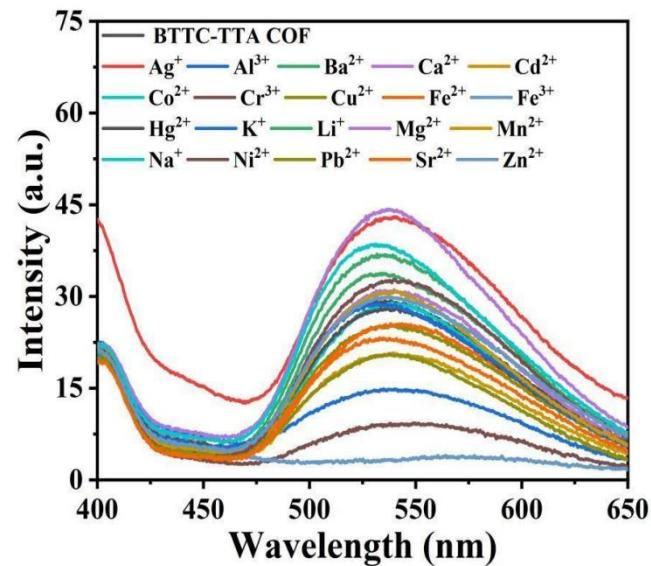


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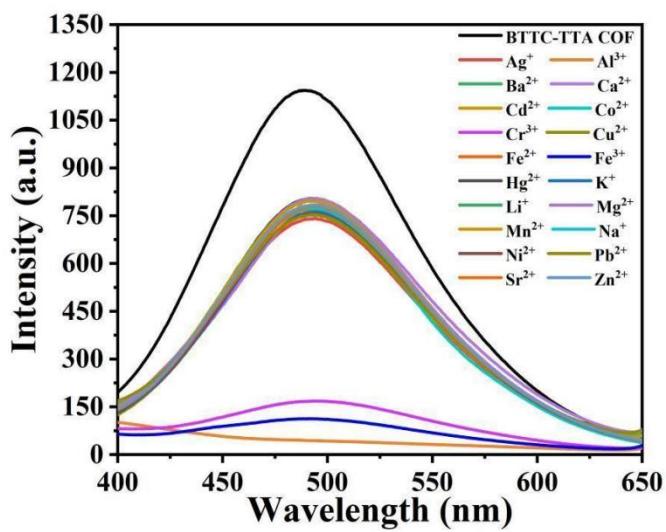


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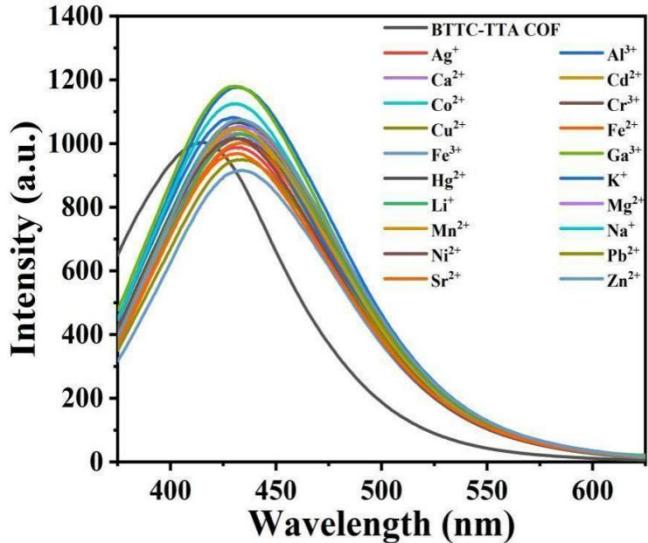


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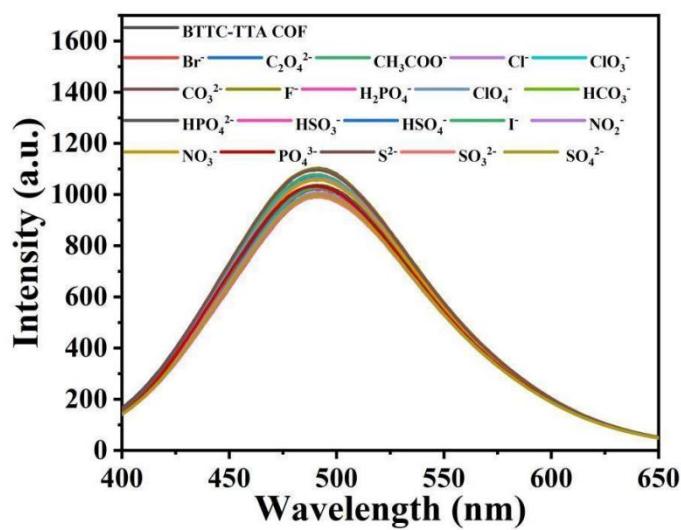


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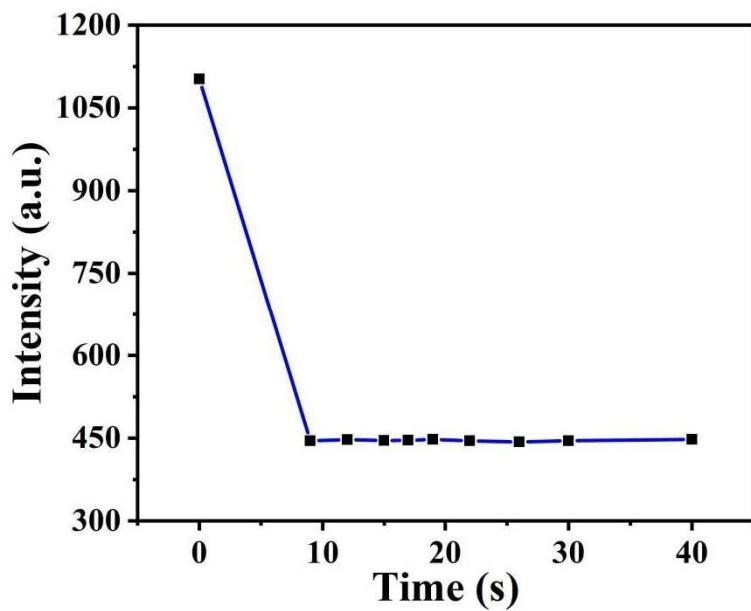


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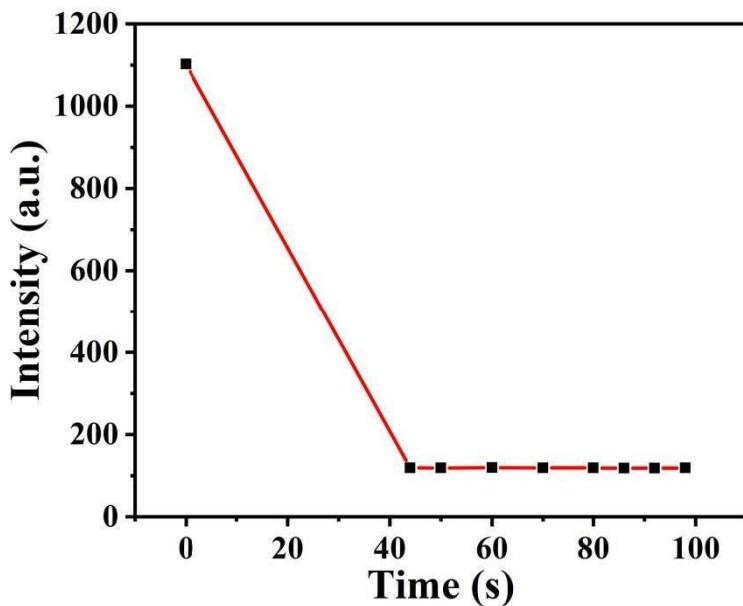


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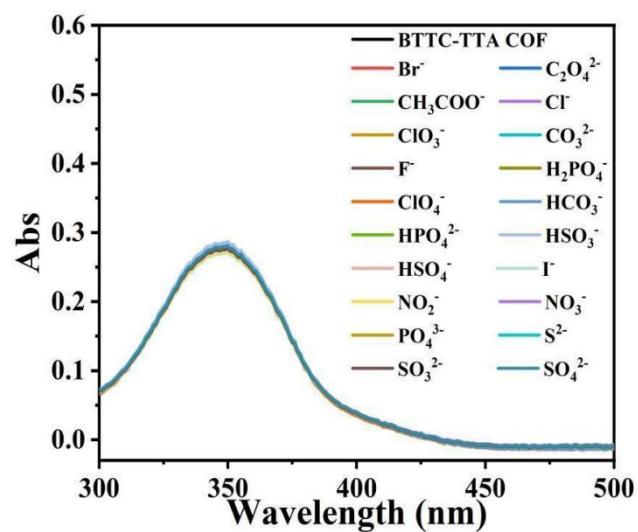


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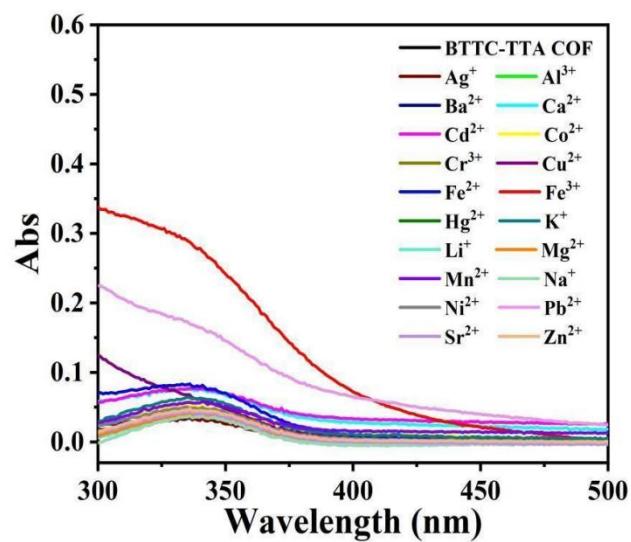


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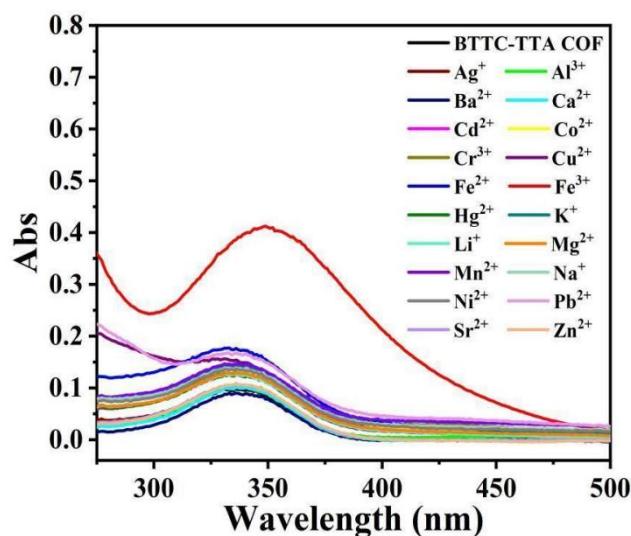


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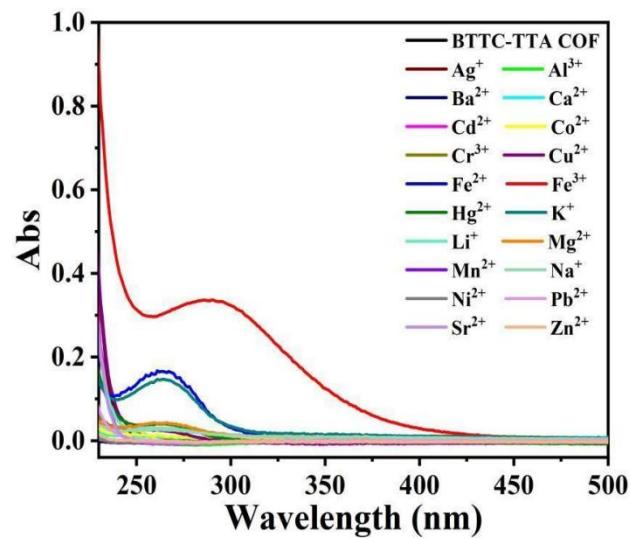


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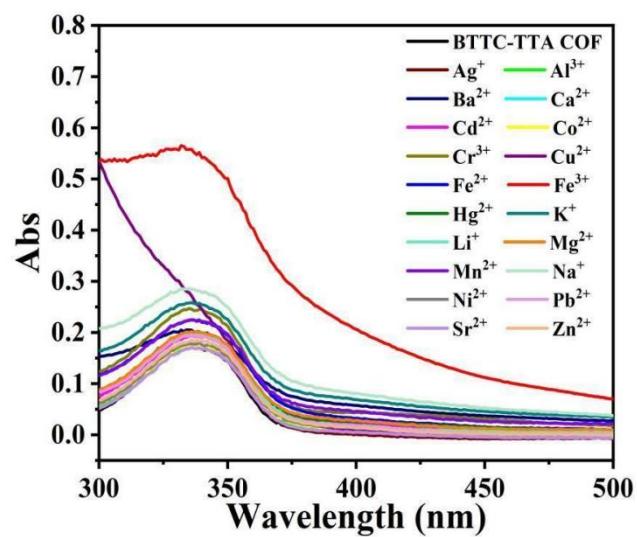


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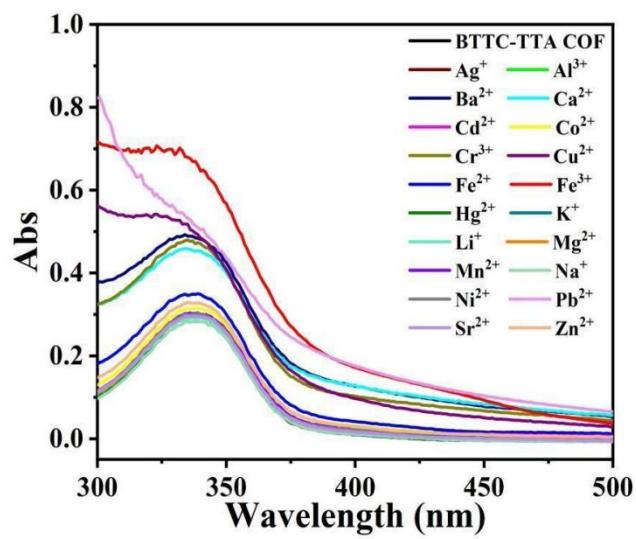


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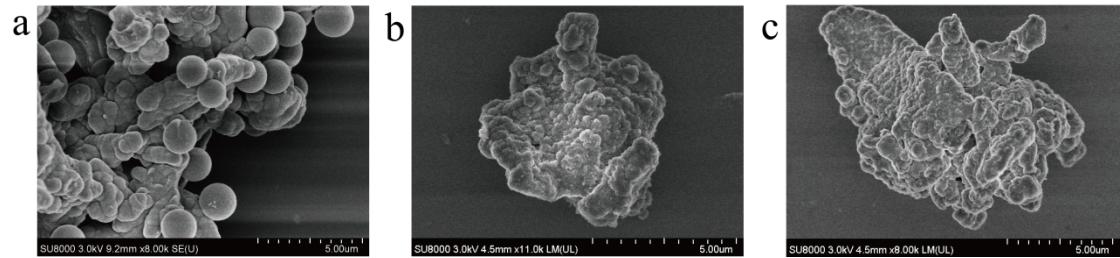


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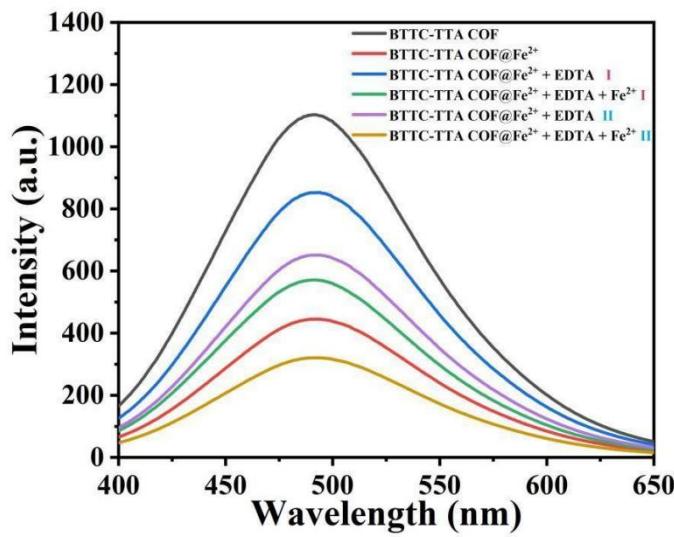


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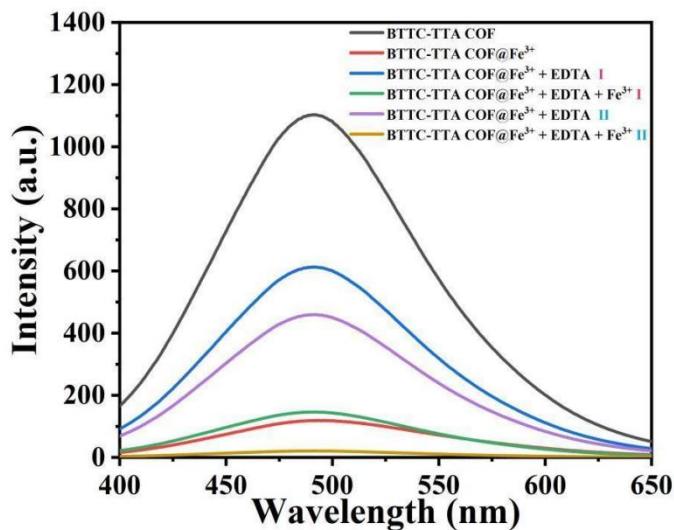


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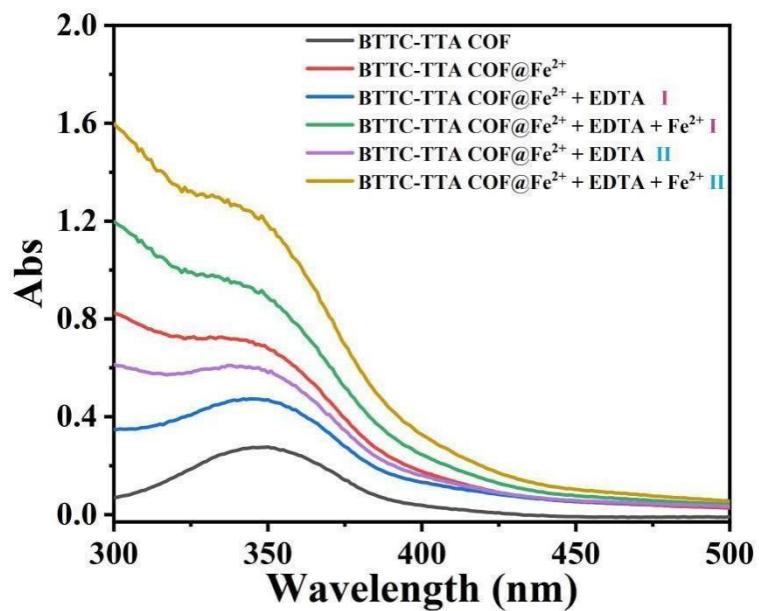


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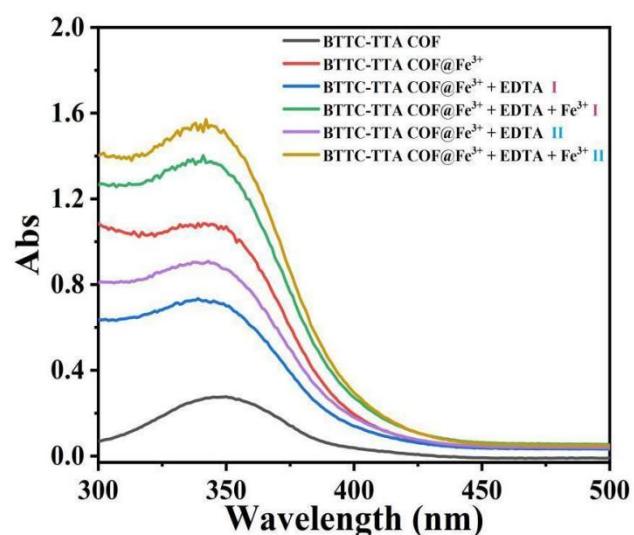


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Fig. S23. The color changes of DMF with the addition of Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+} (30 μL , 20 mM) under naked eye.



Fig. S24. (a) The color of BTTC-TTA COF in DMF. (b) and (c) The color changes of BTTC-TTA COF@ Fe^{2+} in DMF in the absence and presence EDTA, respectively. (d) and (e) The color changes of BTTC-TTA COF@ Fe^{3+} in DMF in the absence and presence EDTA, respectively.

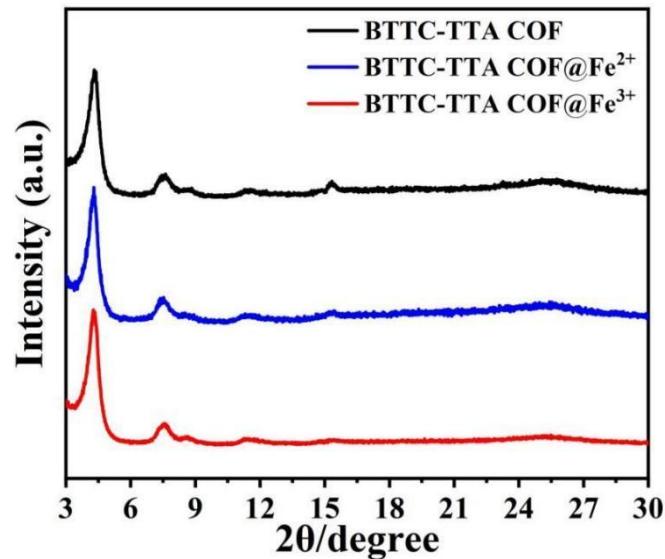


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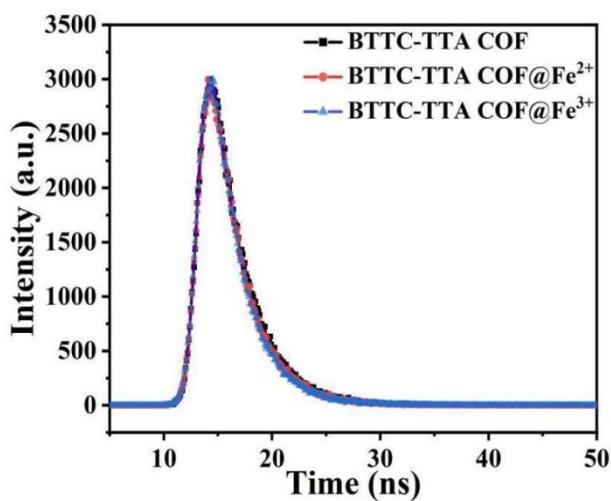


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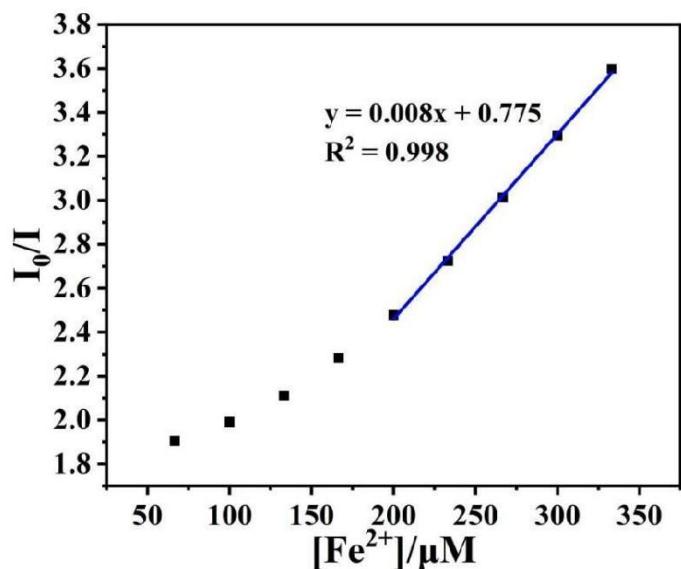


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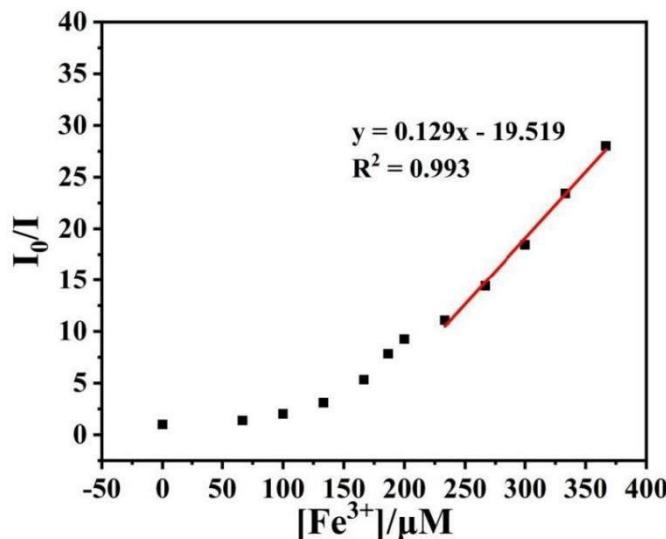


Fig. S28. Fluorescence intensity ratio (I/I_0) of BTTC-TTA COF at 492 nm with the concentration of Fe^{3+} (where I_0 and I stand for the fluorescence intensity in the absence and presence of metal ions.)

Table S1. Comparison of detection limits of the reported $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}^{3+}$ fluorescent sensors.

Fluorescent materials	LOD	Application	Reference
SS1	55.00 μM	(Fe^{2+})	filter paper-based analyses
	36.64 μM	(Fe^{3+})	1
SS2	22.15 μM	(Fe^{2+})	filter paper-based analyses
	14.33 μM	(Fe^{3+})	1
Sensor 1	7.78 μM	(Fe^{2+})	water and living cell
	6.95 μM	(Fe^{3+})	imaging
CQDs	6.50 μM	(Fe^{2+})	water
	2.50 μM	(Fe^{3+})	3
BTTC-TTA COF	4.51 μM	(Fe^{2+})	water, kale and bovine liver
	0.79/ 8.94 μM (Fe^{3+})	samples	this work

Table S2. Comparison of detection limits of the reported $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}^{3+}$ colorimetric sensors.

Colorimetric materials	LOD	Reference
Terminalia chebula	43.7 μM (Fe^{2+})	4
	60.8 μM (Fe^{3+})	
Probe 3	4.35 μM (Fe^{2+})	5
T-CDS	0.13 μM (Fe^{2+})	6
	2.78 μM (Fe^{3+})	
MoSe ₂ @Fe	1.97 μM (Fe^{3+})	7
BHMN	3.10 μM (Fe^{3+})	8
BTTC-TTA COF	2.61 μM (Fe^{2+})	this work
	1.56 μM (Fe^{3+})	

Table S3. The detected iron ions concentration of real samples.

Samples	Concentration/ μM
Tap water	< LOD (Fe^{2+}) 2.54 μM (Fe^{3+})
Drinking water	< LOD (Fe^{2+}) 3.23 μM (Fe^{3+})
Kale extract	5.10 μM (Fe^{2+}) 3.67 μM (Fe^{3+})
Bovine liver extract	7.24 μM (Fe^{2+}) 82.46 μM (Fe^{3+})

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