## **Supporting information**

## An ATP-selective, Lanthanide Complex Luminescent Probe

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Fig. S1  $^{1}$ H NMR spectrum of the ligand 5 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz).



Fig. S2 Mass spectra of probe 1.



**Fig. S3** Luminescence titrations of probe **1** with ATP in pure water at pH 6.8 (30 mM HEPES) with an excitation at 335 nm (excitation slit width = 10 nm and emission slit width = 5 nm).

The association constant was calculated using a modified Benesi-Hildebrand equation  $[Eq. (1)]^{1a}$  from the results of fluorescence titration.<sup>1</sup>

$$\frac{1}{F - F_0} = \frac{1}{K^{0.5} (F_{\text{max}} - F_0) [\mathbf{M}^{n-1}]^{0.5}} + \frac{1}{F_{\text{max}} - F_0}$$
(1)

where  $F_0$ ,  $F_{\text{max}}$ , and F represent the luminescence intensity of probe **1**, the maximum luminescence intensity observed in the presence of ATP, and the luminescence intensity at a certain concentration of ATP, respectively. *K* is the association constant (M<sup>-2</sup>) and was determined from the slope of the linear plot, and [M<sup>n-</sup>] is the concentration of ATP added during the luminescence titrations.



**Fig. 3** Corresponding linear regression plot of  $1/(F-F_0)$  vs.  $[ATP]^{-0.5}$ .

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