Supporting Information

A Cu (II) complex of an imidazolium based ionic liquid: synthesis, X-ray structure and application in selective electrochemical sensing of guanine

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Figure S1: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 1



Figure S2: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 1



Figure S3. FT-IR spectra of Copper complex R1

Table S1: Crystal data and refinement parameters of compound R1

| Compound | |
|---|------------------------|
| Empirical Formula | C24 H34 Cl4 Cu2 N8 O30 |
| M _w | 1183.47 |
| Temperature [K] | 150(2) K |
| Crystal description | Needles, Bluish- green |
| Crystal System | Orthorhombic |
| Space group | Pnnm |
| a / [Å] | 12.9191(5) |
| b / [Å] | 14.6740(6) |
| c / [Å] | 11.9279(4) |
| $a/\beta/\gamma/$ [°] | 90.00 |
| V [Å ³] | 2261.23(15) |
| Ζ | 2 |
| D _c [Mg m ⁻³] | 1.738 |
| μ / [mm ⁻¹] | 1.283 |
| Reflections collected | 37305 |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 2327 / 10 / 207 |
| Unique reflections, [R _{int}] | 2327 [0.0255] |
| $GOF = S_{all}$ | 1.047 |
| Final <i>R</i> indices | |
| $R_1, WR_2[I > 2\sigma I]$ | 0.0584, 0.1747 |
| R_1 , wR ₂ (all data) | 0.0644, 0.1814 |
| $\Delta \rho max / \Delta \rho min [Å^3]$ | 0.986, -0.976 |

Table S2. Selected bond lengths and angles (Å,°) for compound R1

| Bond lengths(Å) | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Cu(1)-O(1) | 1.968(2) | Cu(1)-O(3) | 2.163(5) | Cu(1)-Cu(1)#1 | 2.6416(11) | | | |
| Cu(1)-O(2)#1 | 1.966(3) | Cu(1)-O(1)#3 | 1.968(2) | O(1)-C(6) | 1.258(4) | | | |
| O(2)-C(6) | 1.255(4) | C(5)-C(6) | 1.519(5) | | | | | |
| Bond angles(°) | | | | | | | | |
| O(2)#1-Cu(1)-O(1) | 168.48(11) | O(2)#2-Cu(1)-O(1) | 89.12(12) | O(2)#1-Cu(1)-O(3) | 92.57(11) | | | |
| O(2)#1-Cu(1)-O(2)#2 | 88.69(16) | O(1)-Cu(1)-O(1)#3 | 90.78(15) | O(1)-Cu(1)-O(3) | 98.83(11) | | | |
| O(2)#1-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#1 | 85.46(7) | C(6)-O(1)-Cu(1) | 123.5(2) | O(2)-C(6)-O(1) | 127.0(3) | | | |

| D-H···A | D…A∕ Å | H····A/ Å | D-H····A/º |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------|------------|
| C3-H3AO1 ⁱ | 3.277(4) | 2.503(2) | 140.9(2) |
| C4-H4BO1 ⁱ | 3.346(7) | 2.465(2) | 152.5(4) |
| | | | |

Table S3. Hydrogen bonding parameters (Å, °) of compound R1

Equivalent positions: (i) -x-1/2,+y-1/2,-z-1/2



Figure S4. Comparison of LSV profile of complex **R1** (10 μM), Guanine and Change in LSV profile upon interaction with guanine in DMSO: H₂O (50:50)



Figure S5. Comparison of CV profile of complex **R1** (10 μM), Guanine and Change in cyclic voltametry profile upon interaction with guanine in DMSO: H₂O (50:50)



Figure S6. Comparison of DPV profile of complex **R1** (10 μM), Guanine and Change in DPV profile upon interaction with guanine in DMSO: H₂O (50:50)



Figure S7. Calibration curve concentration of guanine and $I_{-0.23}/I_0$ in case Differential Pulse Voltammetry titration



Figure S8. Changes in the CV profile of R1 (10 μ M) upon addition of various derivatives of guanine (20 μ M) in DMSO: H₂O (50:50)



Figure S9. Change in reduction potential of R1 in CV profile upon addition of guanine in presence of various interfering species

| S. | Receptor | Analytical | Detection | Reference |
|-----------|---|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| No | | method | limit | |
| 1. | Cobalt(II) phthalocyanine-modified | DPV | 550 nM | 1 |
| | carbon paste electrode | | | |
| 2. | Cobalt hexacyanoferrate | CV | 340 nM | 2 |
| 3. | β-Cyclodextrin incorporated carbon nanotube | DPV | 200 nM | 3 |
| 4. | Aptamers | Fluorescence | 6.7 µM | 4 |
| 5. | Carbon ionic liquid-modified electrode | CV | 78.7 nM | 5 |
| 6. | Carbon screen-printed electrode | DPV | 200 nM | 6 |
| 7. | Cu(II) complex of imidazolium ionic liquid (present work) | DPV, CV | 45 nM | - |

Table S4: Comparison of binding ability of different receptors with guanine

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