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Supporting Information

3,5-Bis(dithioacetal) *meso*-aryl BODIPYs: Selective Chemodosimeter for Hg(II) ion

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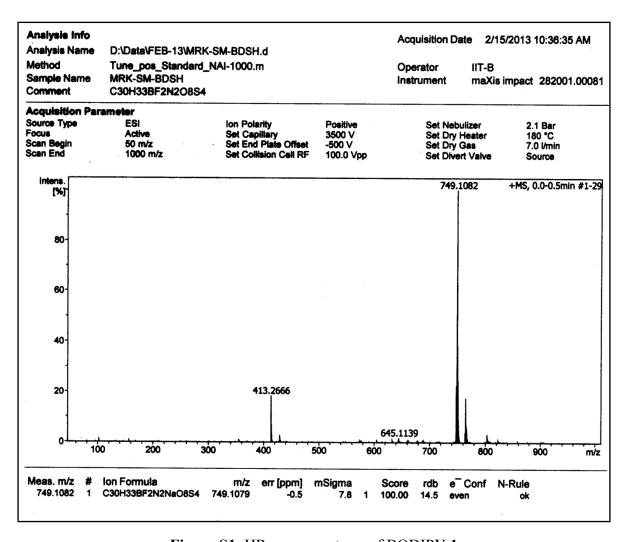


Figure S1: HR mass spectrum of BODIPY 1

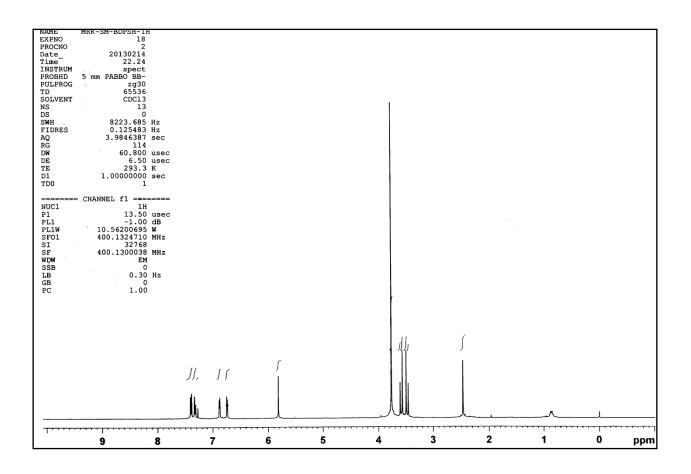


Figure S2: ¹H NMR spectrum of BODIPY 1 recorded in CDCl₃

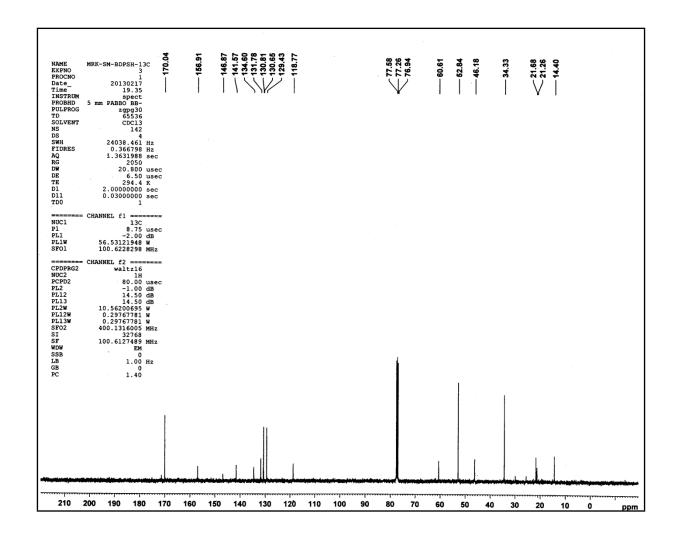


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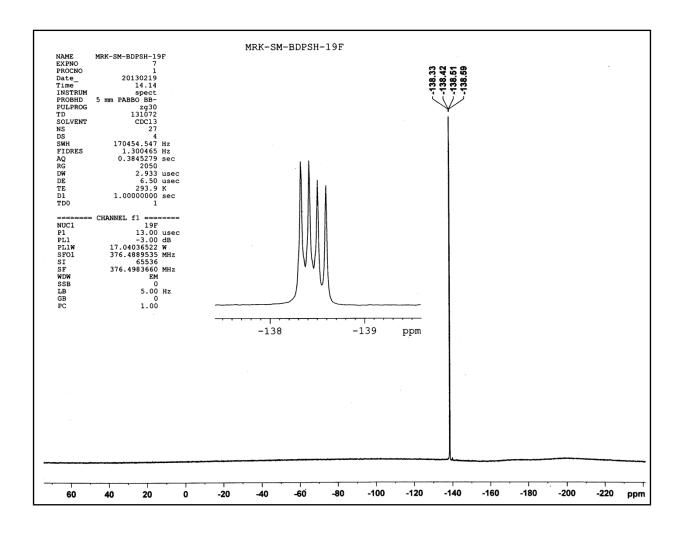


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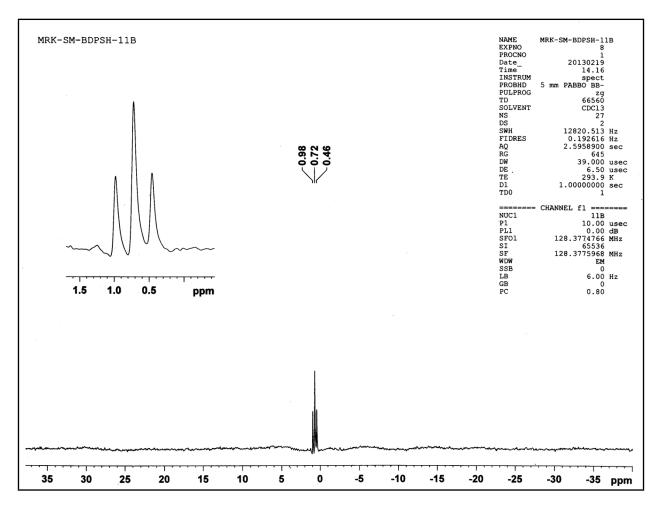
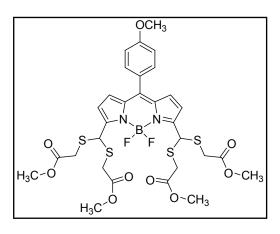


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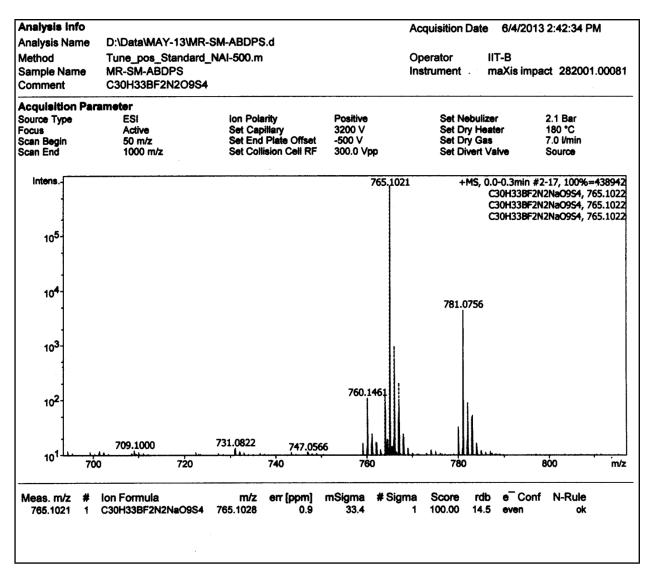
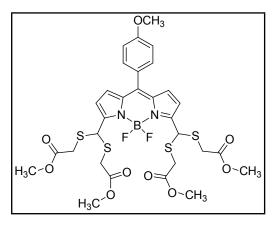


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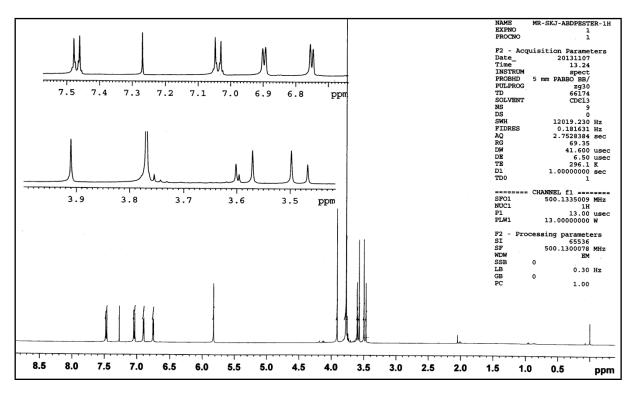


Figure S7: ¹H NMR spectrum of BODIPY 2 recorded in CDCl₃

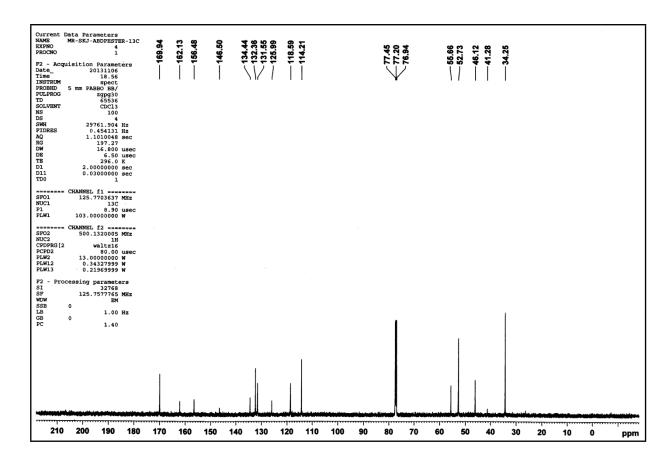
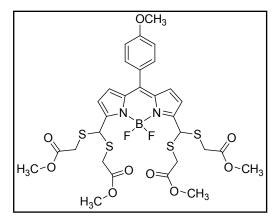


Figure S8: ¹³C NMR spectrum of BODIPY 2 recorded in CDCl₃



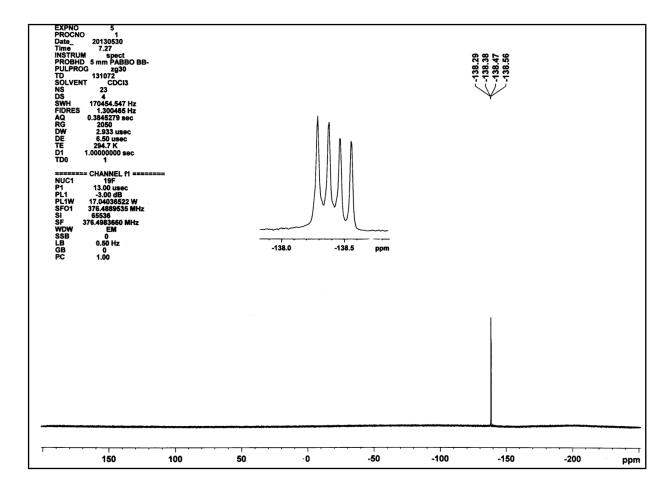


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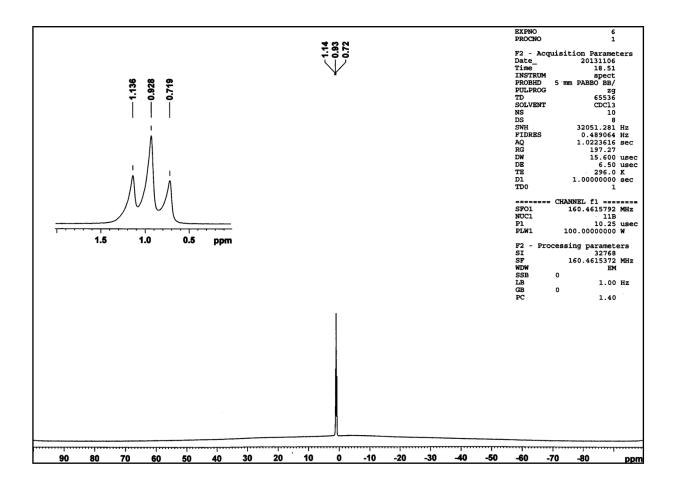


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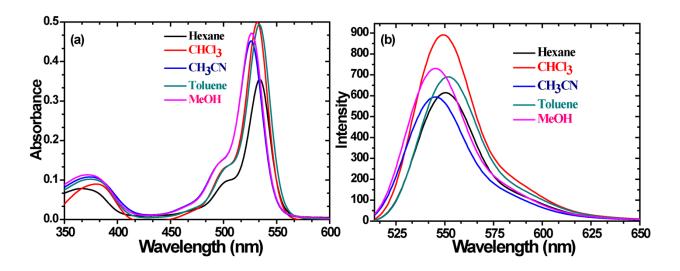


Figure S11: a) Absorption, b) emission spectra of BODIPY 1 (5 μ M) recorded in different solvents. Excitation wavelength used was 488 nm.

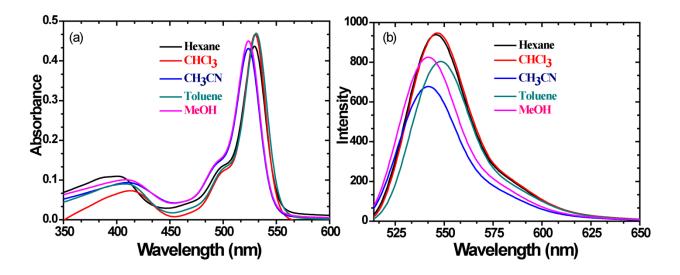


Figure S12: a) Absorption, b) emission spectra of BODIPY **2** (5 μ M) recorded in different solvents. Excitation wavelength used was 488 nm.

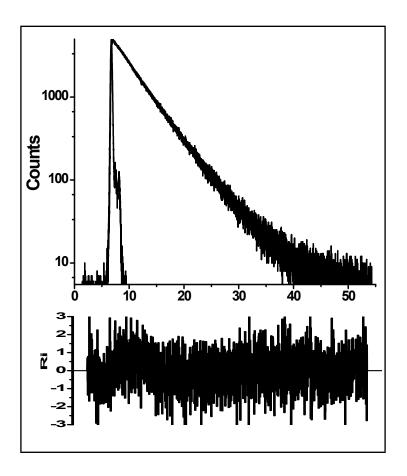


Figure S13: Fluorescence-decay profile and the corresponding weighted residual-distribution fit of the fluorescence decay of BODIPY 1 in CHCl₃. The excitation wavelength used was 440 nm and emission was detected at the emission-peak maxima (549 nm) of BODIPY 1.

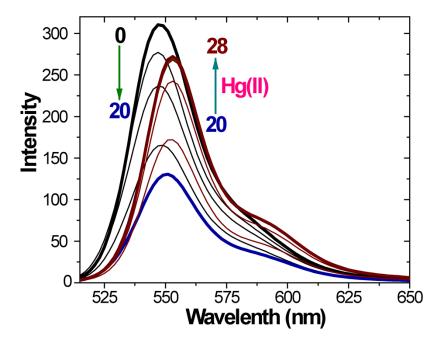


Figure S14: Emission spectral changes of BODIPY **1** (5 μ M) upon addition of increasing equivalents of Hg²⁺ ions (HgCl₂) in CH₃CN/PBS (8:2; v/v, pH 7.4). The spectra were recorded after the addition of Hg²⁺ ion to BODIPY **1** for 10 min.

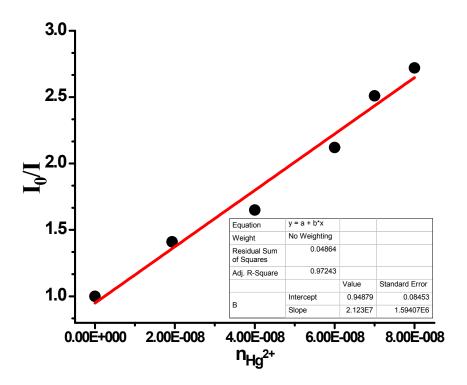


Figure S15: The linear dynamic fluorescence response for the titration of BODIPY 1 with F-ion to determine the detection limit (LOD). The LOD was calculated using the formula $3\sigma/k$, where σ = standard deviation of blank (10 samples) and k = the slope of linear calibration curve.

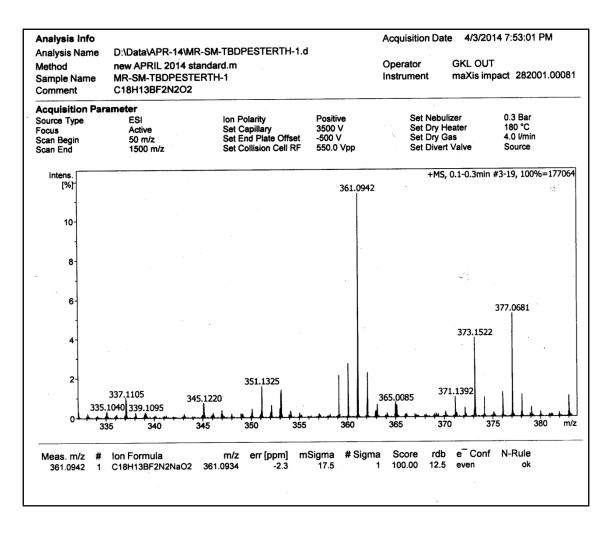


Figure S16: HR-MS spectrum showing the molecular ion peak for the formation of compound **3** during titration of BODIPY **1** with Hg(II) ion.