Supporting Information

Li⁺-selective optodes - effect of fluoroionophore distribution in mesoporous silica thin films on Li⁺ response

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Fig. S1 1H NMR spectra of KBL-01-Si



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Fig. S3 High-resolution mass spectrum of KBL-01-Si



Fig.S4 XRD patterns of Li^+ optodes with different grafting times: based on mesoporous silica thin film templated with (a) Brij56 (b) F127



Fig. S5 TEM images of Li^+ optodes with 48 h grafting time: based on mesoporous silica thin film templated with (a) Brij56 (b) F127, scale bar, 50 nm

Binding constants *K* were determined by a least square curve fitting according to the following equation using Excel Solver.

$$R = \frac{R_{bind} - R_{free}}{1 + \frac{1}{K[Li^+]}} + R_{free}$$

 R_{bind} : Measured fluorescence emission intensity ratio when all ligands are metal ion binding (saturation); emission wavelengths are indicated in Figs. 5 and 8.

 R_{free} : Measured fluorescence emission intensity ratio under Li⁺-free conditions; emission wavelengths are indicated in Figs. 5 and 8.