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A novel coumarin derivative as sensitive probe for tracing intracellular pH changes

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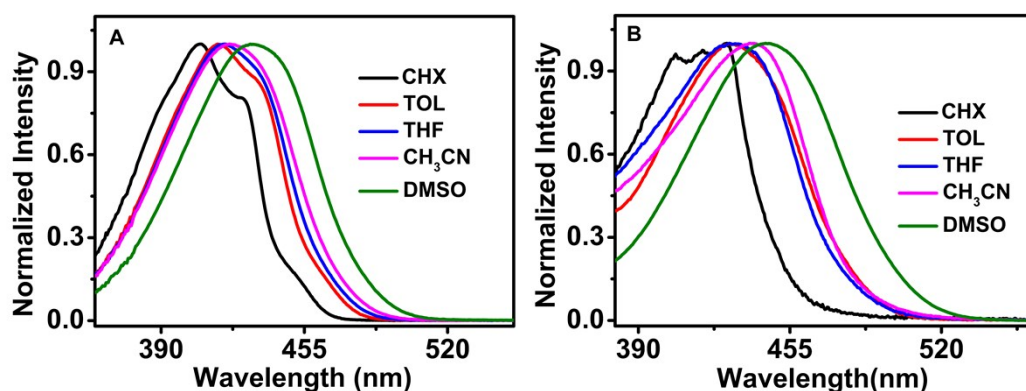


Figure S1 Absorption spectra of CS (A) and CS-P (B) in different solvents normalized to 1.0.

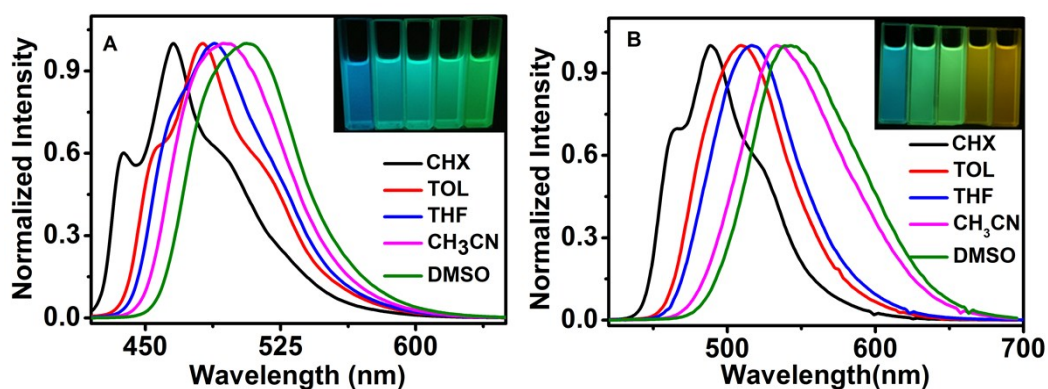


Figure S2 Fluorescence spectra of CS (A) and CS-P (B) in different organic solvent, the maxima peaks in CS-P showed strongly bathochromic-shift.

Table S1 UV-VIS and fluorescence emission data for CS and CS-P in different solvents.

Dye	Solvent	λ_{\max} (nm)	ϵ_{\max} (L mol ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹)	λ_{\max} (nm)	stokes shift (nm)
CS	cyclohexane	408	7.3×10^4	465	57
	toluene	416	7.2×10^4	481	65
	tetrahydrofuran	420	9.3×10^4	488	68
	acetonitrile	422	7.6×10^4	495	73
	dimethylsulfoxide	433	7.7×10^4	507	74
CS-P	cyclohexane	415	1.1×10^4	489	74
	toluene	428	2.9×10^4	510	82
	tetrahydrofuran	432	2.2×10^4	517	85
	acetonitrile	440	3.0×10^4	533	93
	dimethylsulfoxide	446	6.7×10^4	542	96

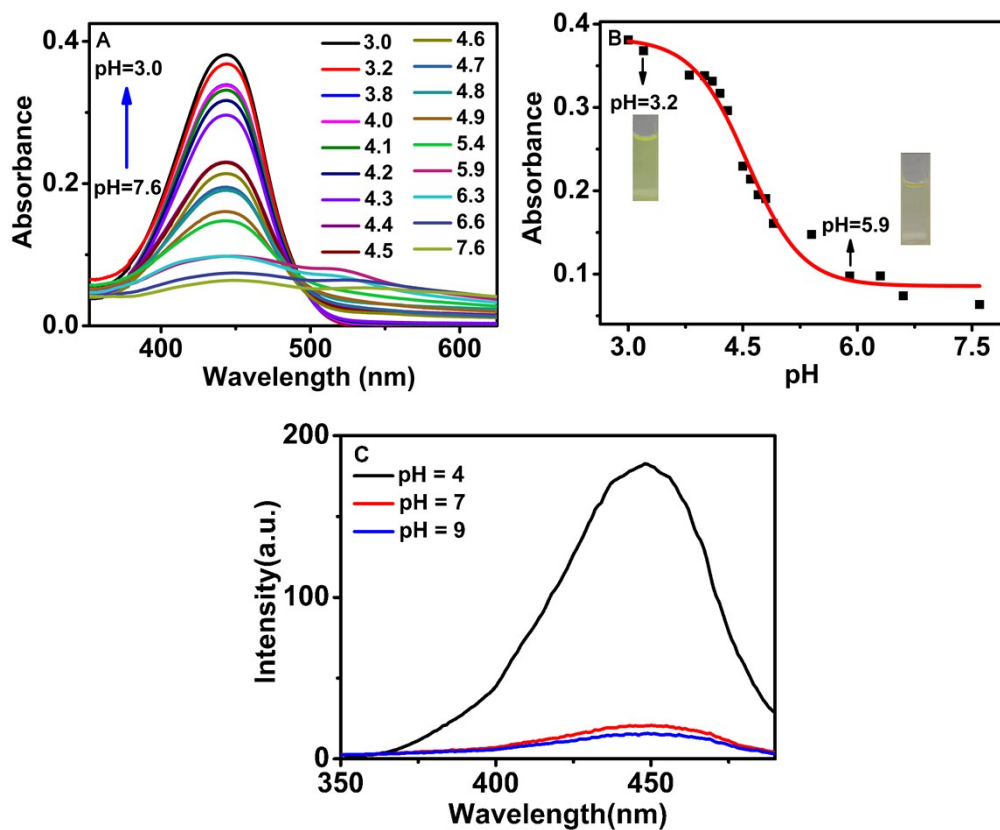


Figure S3 (A) Absorption spectra of CS-P (4 μM) in DMSO-water solution (1:1, v/v) at different pH values, (B) The absorption curve of CS-P at different pH values based on the intensity peaks at 443 nm, (C) The excitation spectra of CS-P (4 μM) in DMSO-water solution (1:1, v/v) at different pH values.

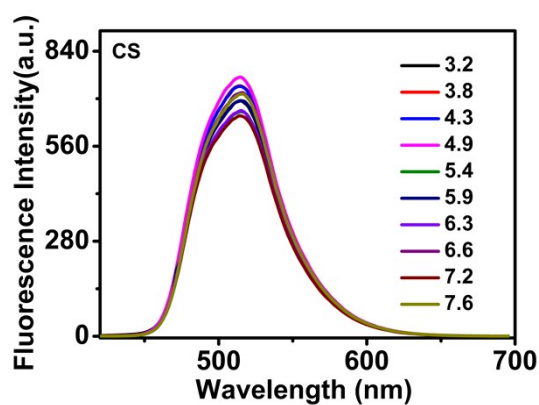


Figure S4. Fluorescence spectra of CS (4 μM) in various pH (7.6-3.2) in DMSO-water (1:1, v/v) solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 400 \text{ nm}$).

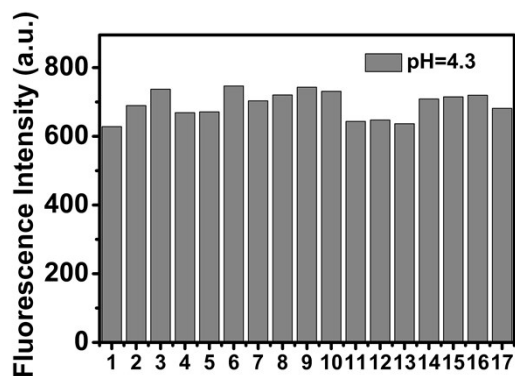


Figure S5 Ion interfering to CS-P. 1) H⁺; 2) Mg²⁺; 3) Na⁺; 4) Mn²⁺; 5) Ba²⁺; 6) K⁺; 7) Ca²⁺; 8) Cu²⁺; 9) Fe³⁺; 10) Cr³⁺; 11) Fe²⁺; 12) Ni²⁺; 13) Hg²⁺; 14) Pb²⁺; 15) Zn²⁺; 16) Cys; 17) GSH. The maxima peak value of fluorescence spectra in DMSO-water (1:1, v/v) solution at pH 4.3, which proved that different ions had negligible effect on the fluorescent property of CS-P.

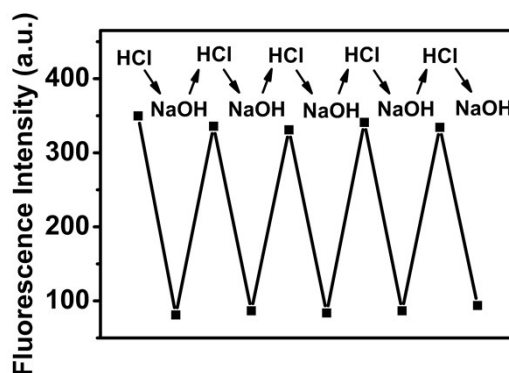


Figure S6 Reversibility of CS-P. Fluorescent intensities of CS-P in DMSO-water (1:1, v/v) solution with changed pH value by adding HCl or NaOH repeatedly, which proved the reversibility of fluorescence intensity of CS-P by changing pH value simply ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 400 \text{ nm}$).

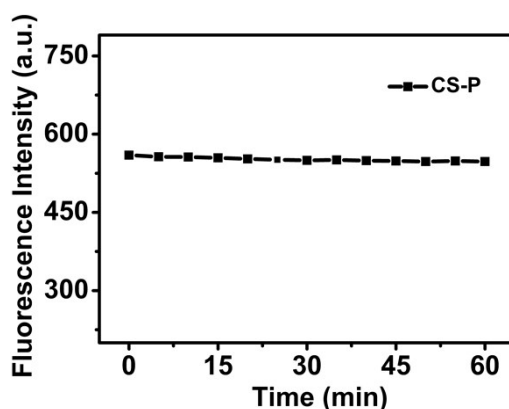


Figure S7 Photostability of CS-P. The fluorescent intensities of CS-P did not decreased within 60 minutes of continuous excitation, which indicated high photostability of CS-P ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 400 \text{ nm}$ and $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 515 \text{ nm}$).

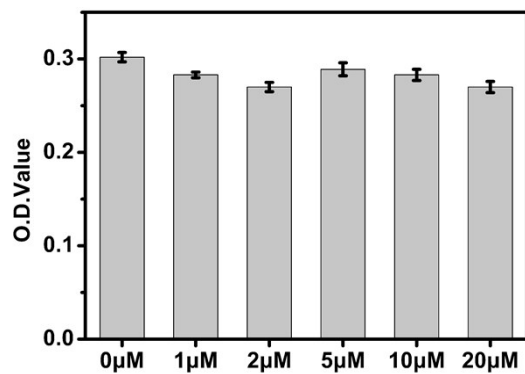
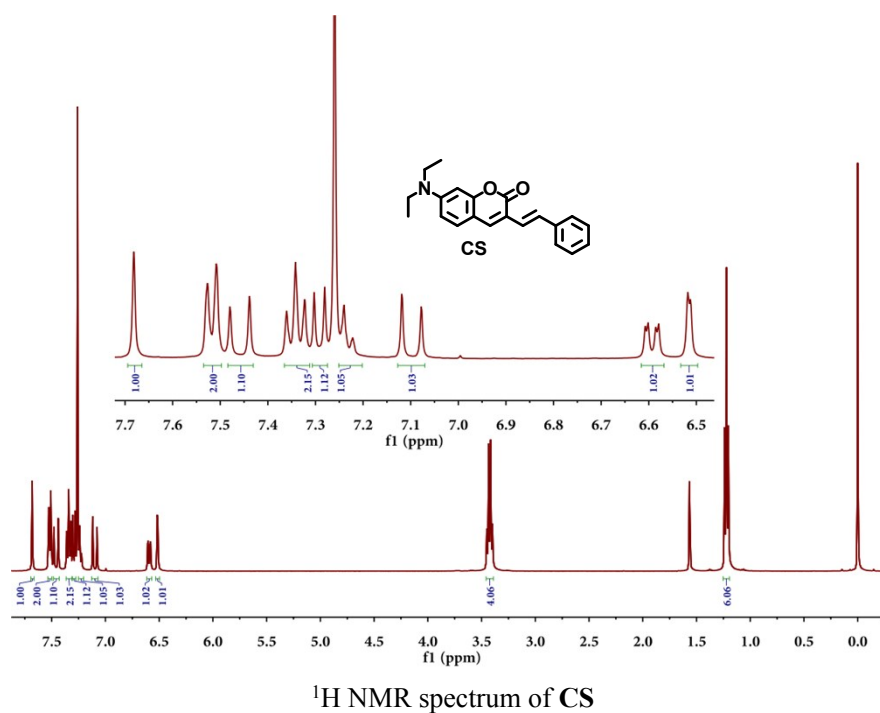
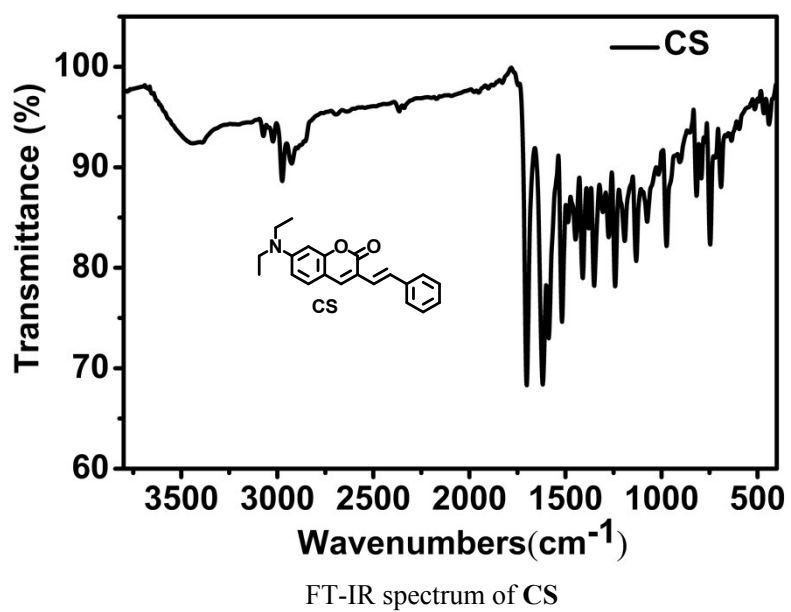
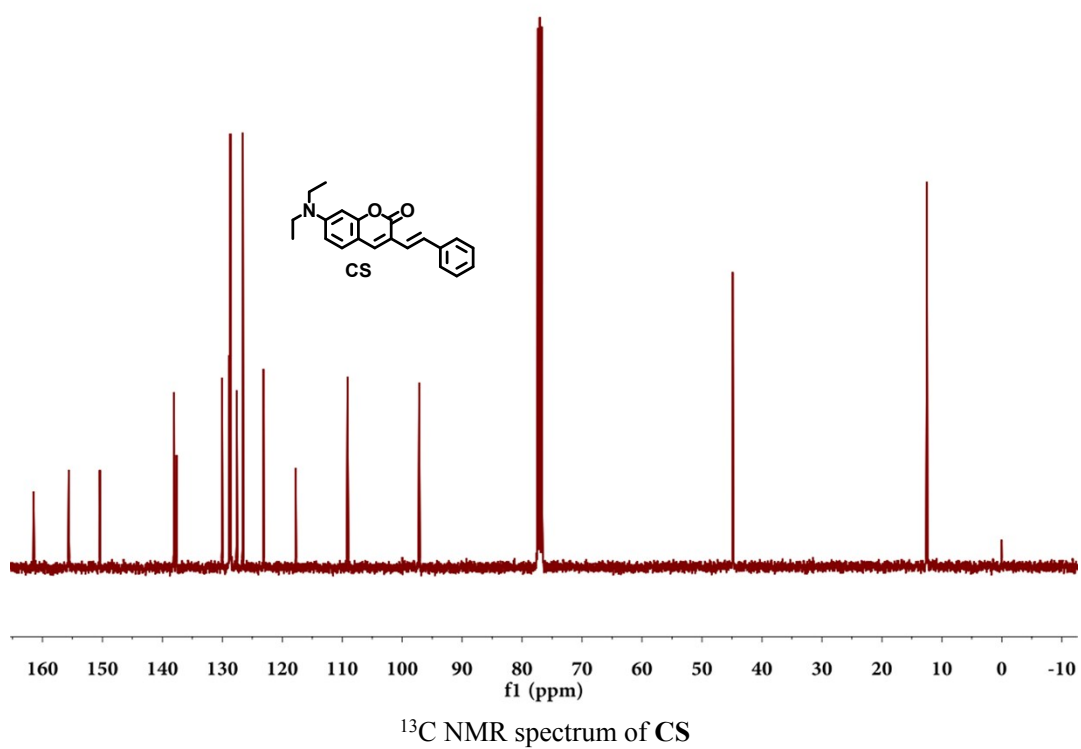
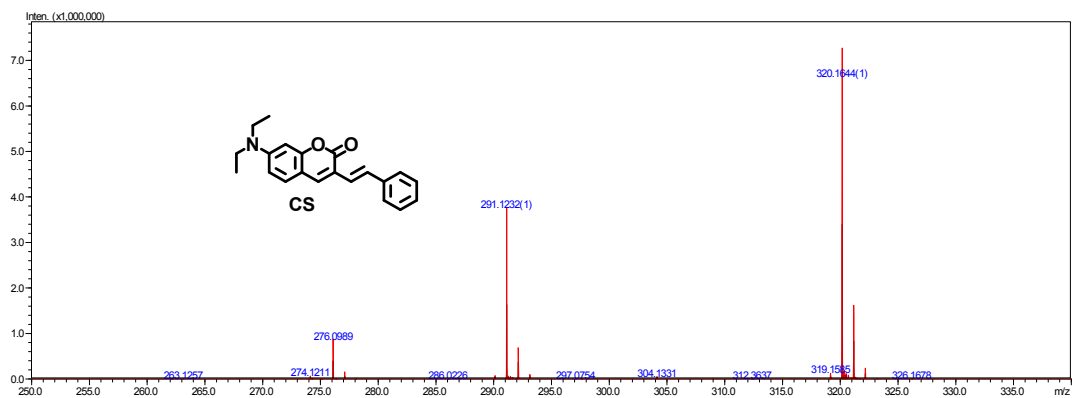


Figure S8 Cytotoxic experiment of CS-P via MTT method. The number of MG63 cells did not decreased after treatment with different concentrations of CS-P for 24 hours.

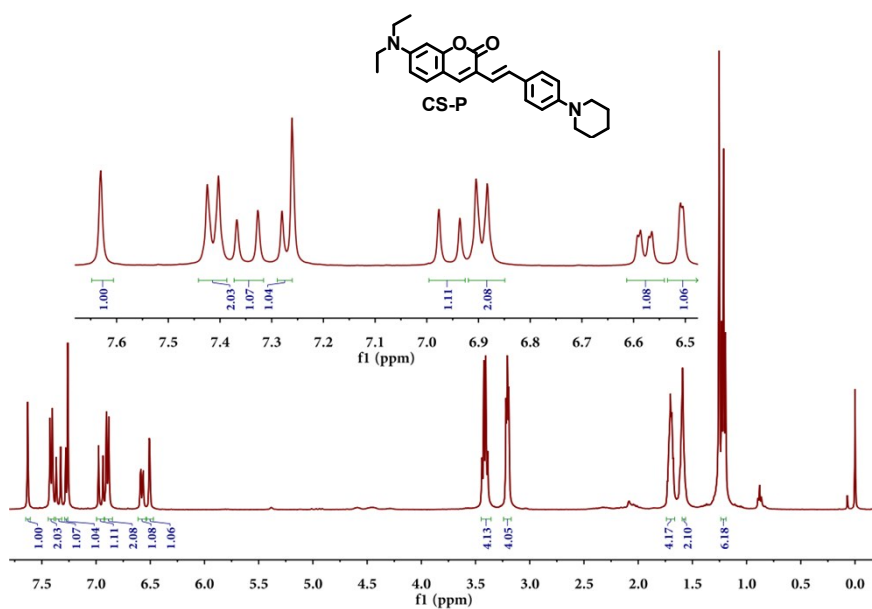




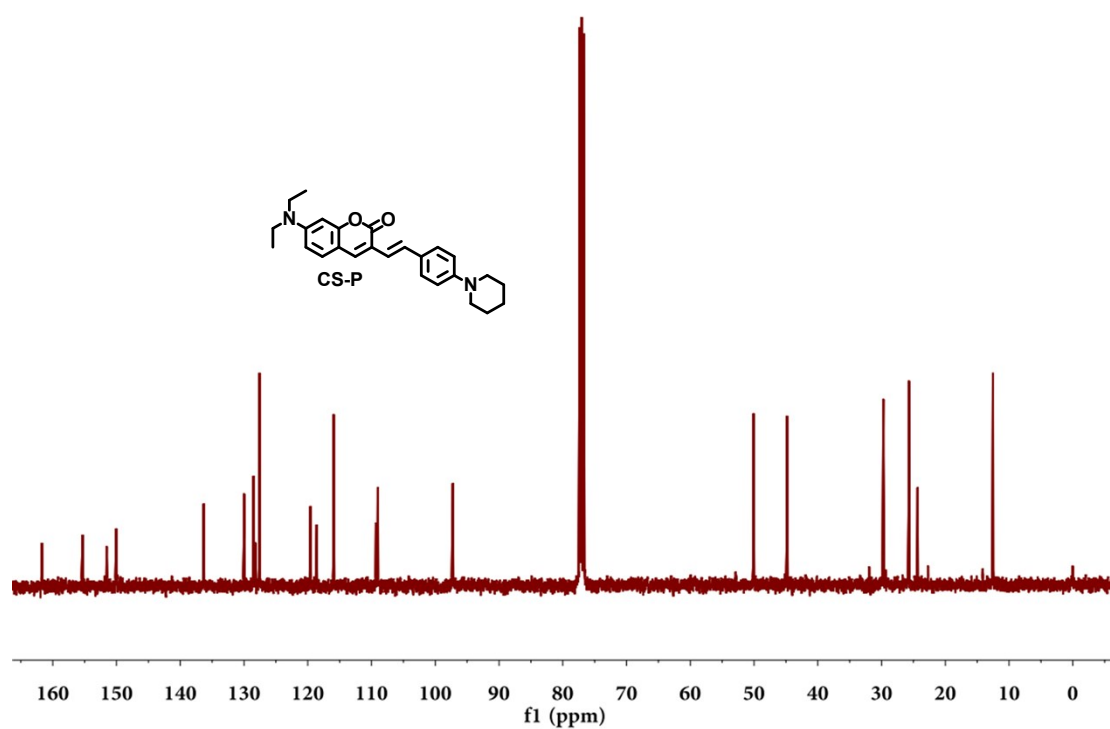


HR-ESI-MS spectrum of CS

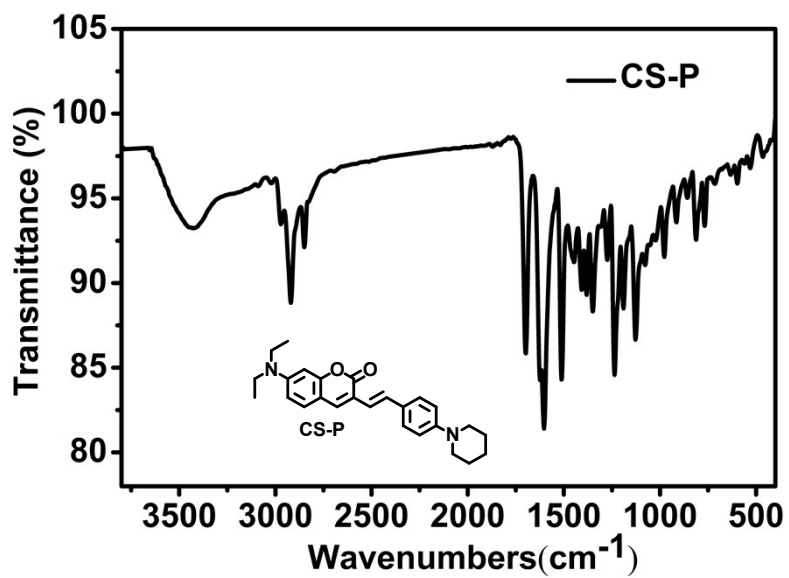
Figure S9 ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, FT-IR and HR-ESI-MS spectrum of CS



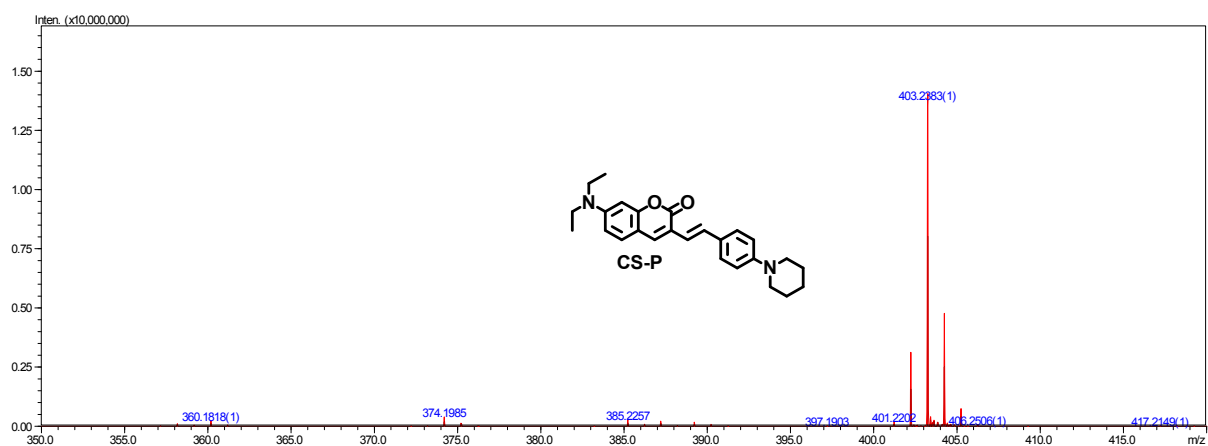
^1H NMR spectrum of CS-P



¹³C NMR spectrum of CS-P



FT-IR spectrum of CS-P



HR-ESI-MS spectrum of CS-P

Figure S10 ^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, FT-IR and HR-ESI-MS spectrum of CS-P