Supplementary Information

Picolinic acid based acyclic bifunctional chelating agent and its methionine conjugate as potential SPECT imaging agents: Syntheses and preclinical evaluation

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Table S1. Comparison of bond lengths obtained through DFT studies after coordination of rhenium oxocore to penatapa-en-met₂ with bond lengths of reported XRD crystal structure of methionine conjugated rhenium oxocore.

	Re–O	Re–O	Re-N	Re-S
	(Re=O)	(Re-O-C=O)		
Met-Re [ReOX ₂ (Met)]	1.66 Å	2.05 Å	2.14 Å	2.42 Å
			(Re–NH ₂)	
$\text{ReO}[\text{penatapa-en-met}_2]^+$	1.72 Å	2.01 Å,	2.16 Å,	
(1)		2.09 Å	2.17 Å	-
$\text{ReO}[\text{penatapa-en-met}_2]^+$	2.01 Å	4.04 Å,		4.06 Å,
(2)		5.71 Å	-	3.64 Å
$ReO[penatapa-en-met_2]^+$	1.71 Å	4.55 Å,	2.65 Å	7.90 Å
(3)		5.65 Å		



Figure S38. (a) HPLC profile and (b) mass spectrum of Re-pentapa-en-NH₂; (c) HPLC profile (γ - detector) of ^{99m}Tc-pentapa-en-NH₂



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