

# A highly selective ratiometric fluorescent chemosensor for Cu(II) based on dansyl-functionalized thiol stabilized silver nanoparticles

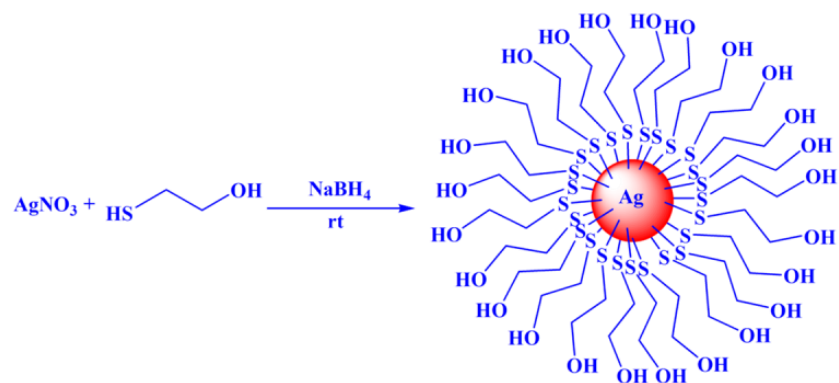
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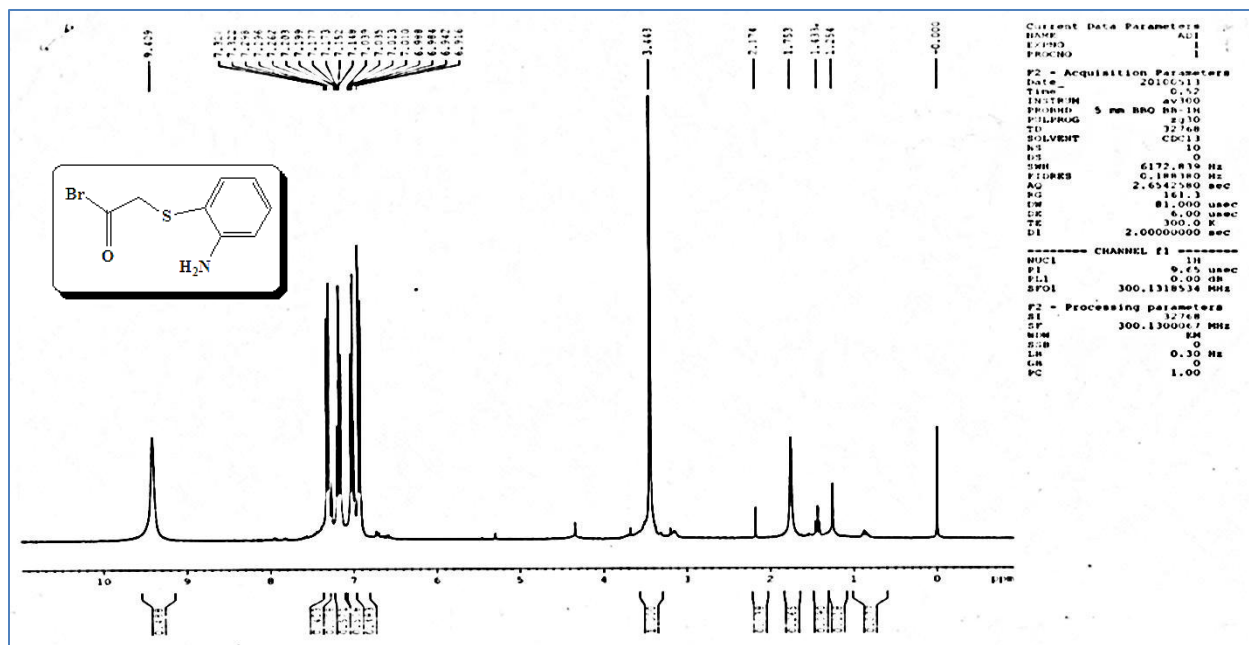
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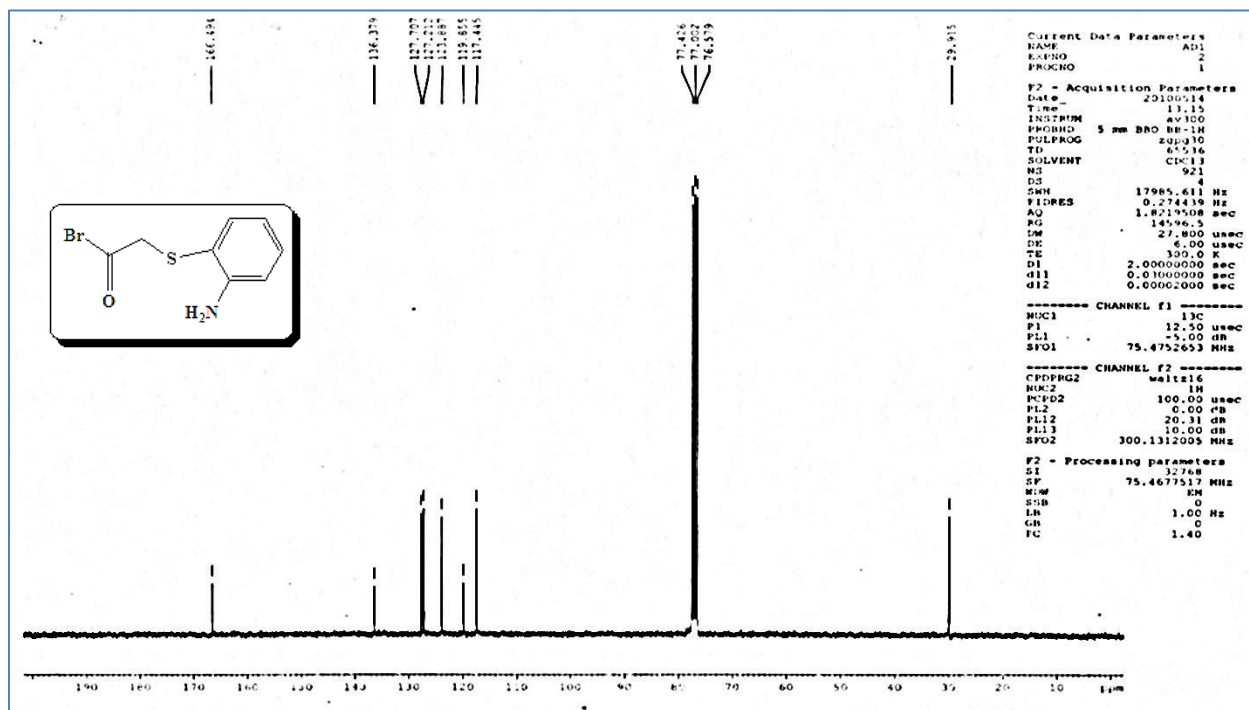
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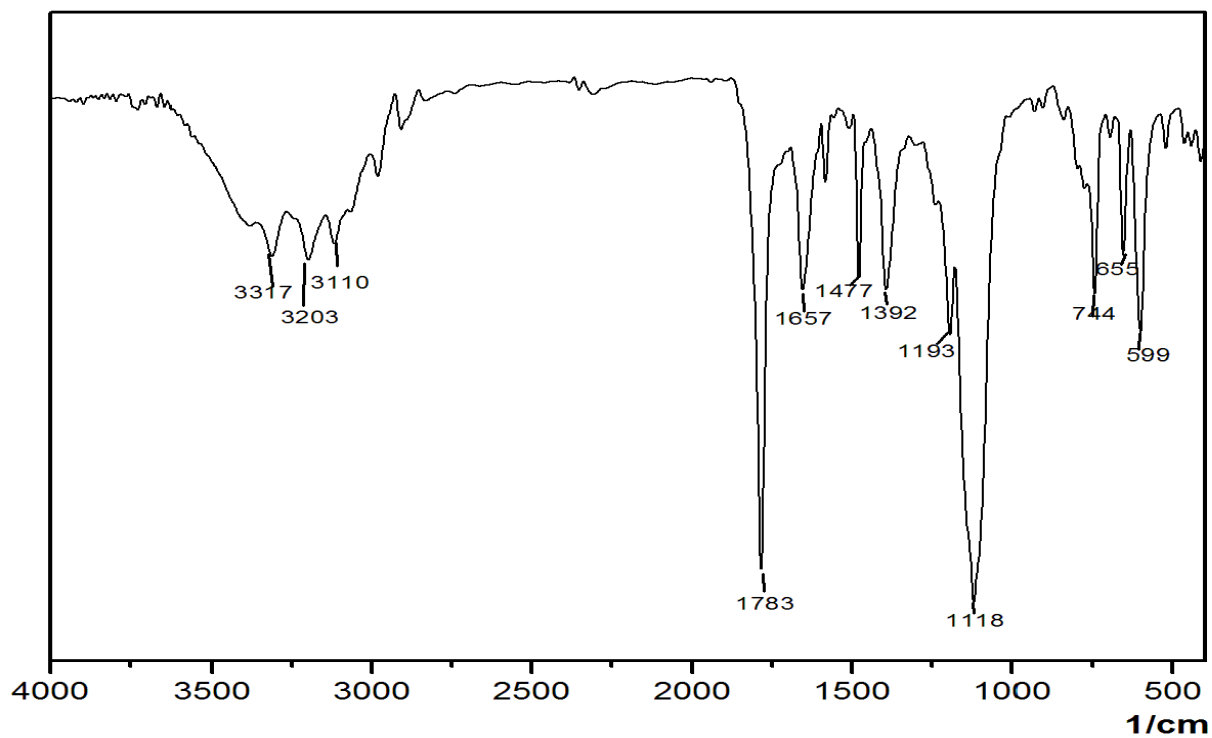
**Scheme 1** Synthesis of thiol stabilized silver nanoparticle



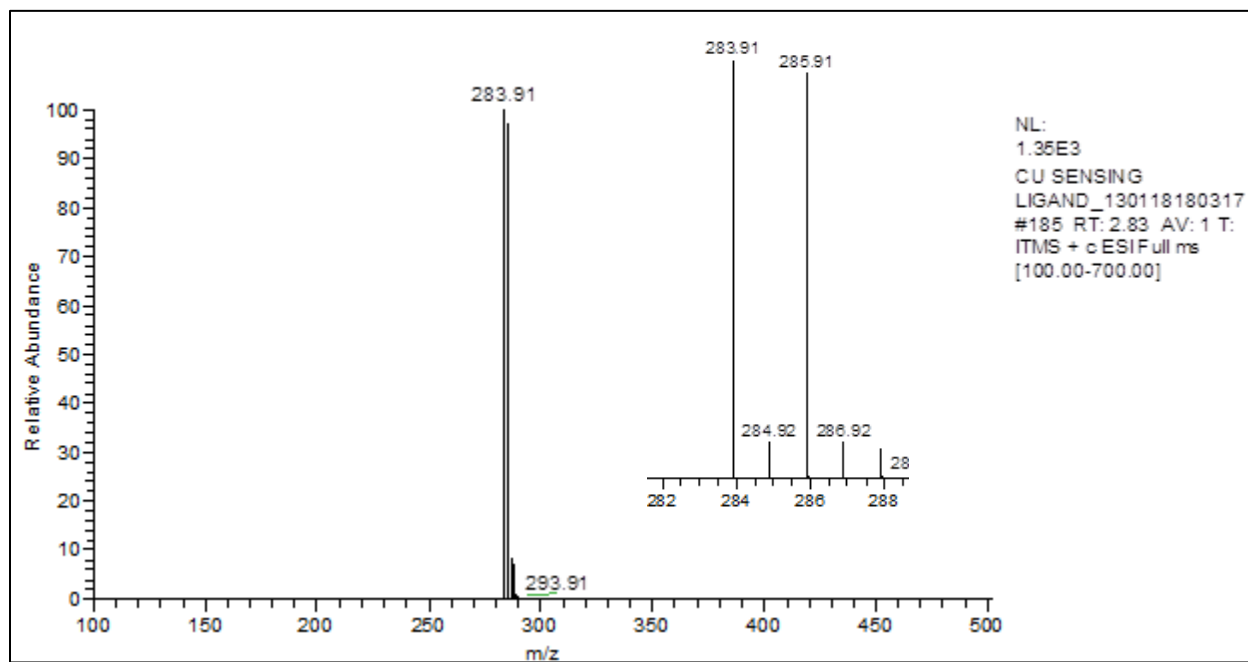
**Fig S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of ligand [2-(2-aminophenylthio)acetyl bromide]



**Fig S2.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of ligand [2-(2-aminophenylthio)acetyl bromide]

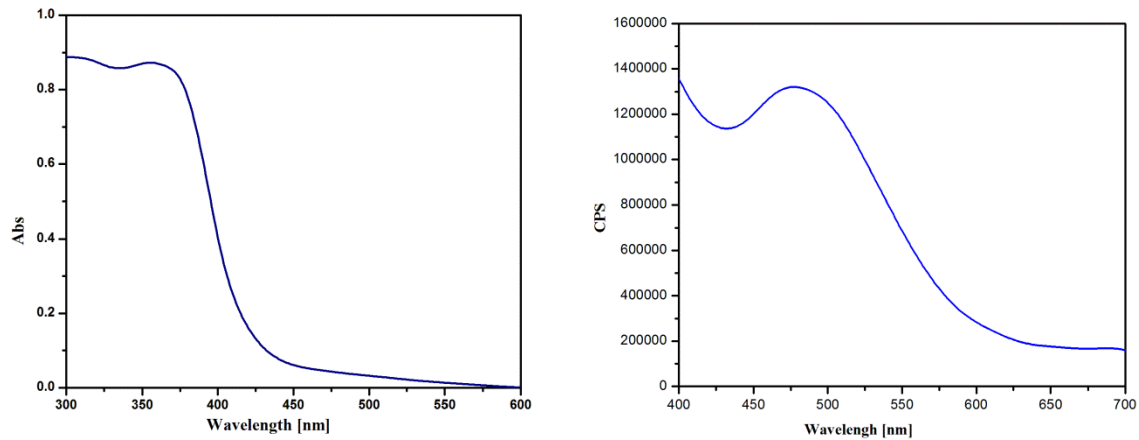


**Fig. S3** IR spectrum of ligand [2-(2-aminophenylthio)acetyl bromide]

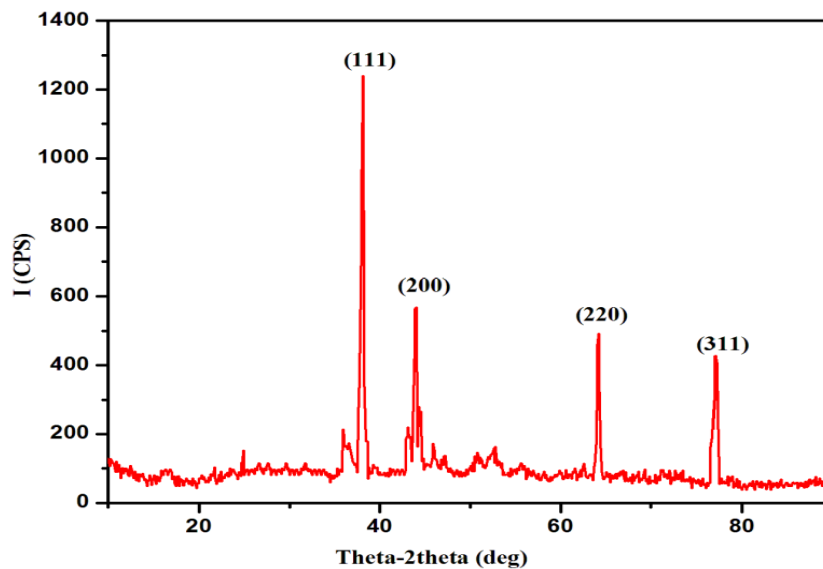


**Fig. S4** ESI-MS spectrum of ligand [2-(2-aminophenylthio)acetyl bromide]

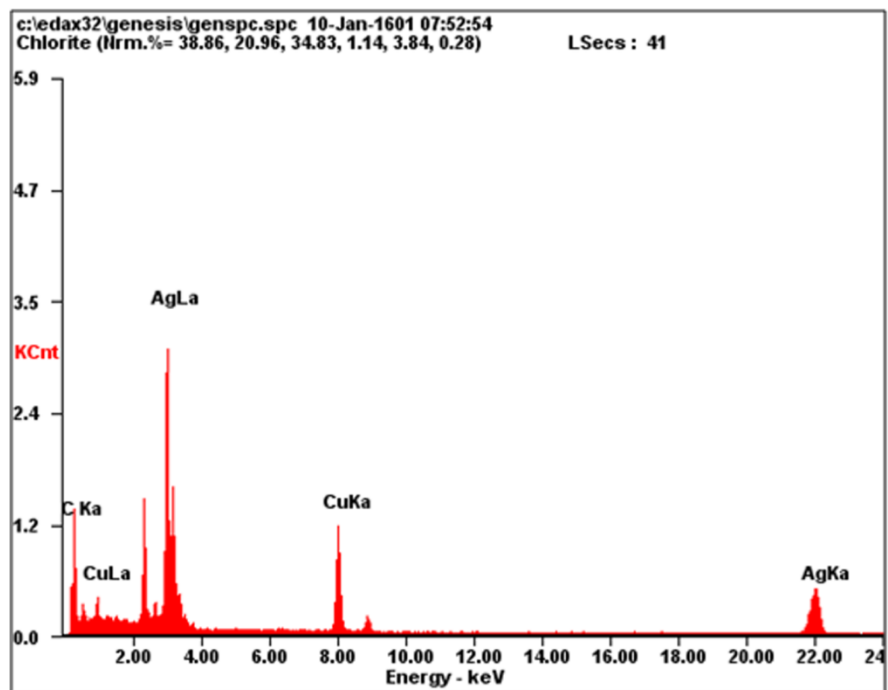




**Fig. S6** a) UV-Visible spectra of silver nanoparticles b) Fluorescence emission spectra of silver nanoparticles

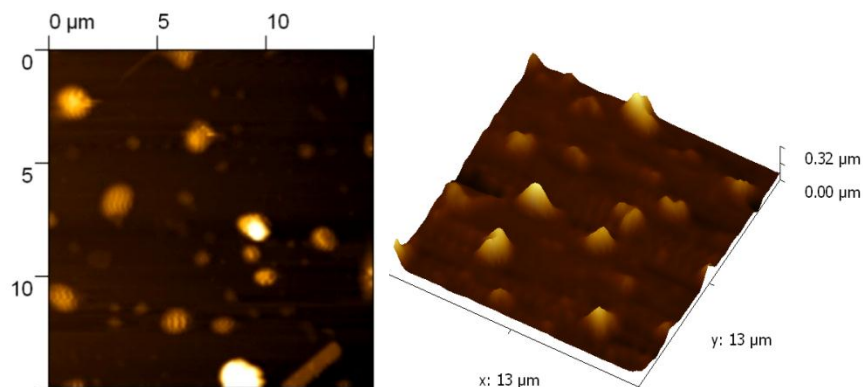


**Fig. S7** Powder XRD pattern of thiol stabilized silver nanoparticles in corresponding planes.

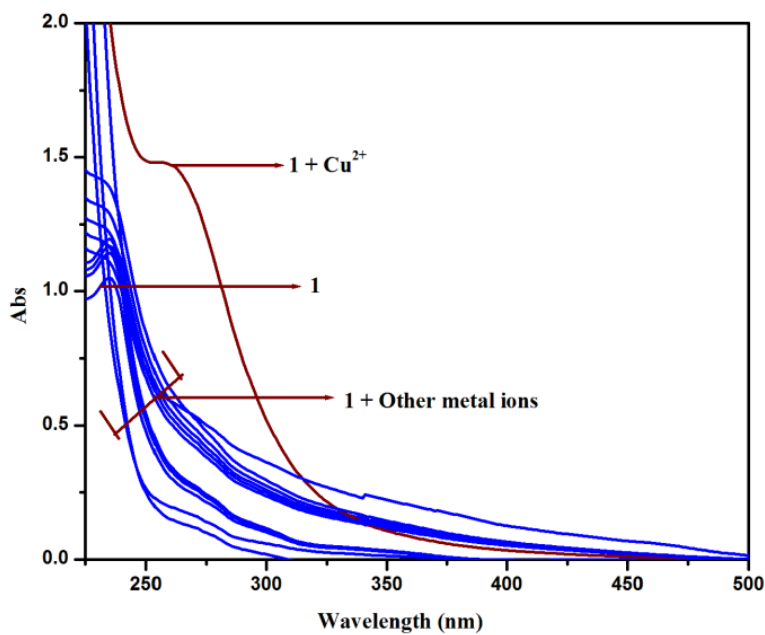


<i>Elem</i>	<i>Weight %</i>	<i>Atomic %</i>
<i>C K</i>	20.90	66.30
<i>Cu K</i>	23.40	14.00
<i>Ag K</i>	55.70	19.70

**Fig S8.** EDAX spectra of silver nanoparticles



**Fig. S9** (a) Two-dimensional (2D) AFM image of thiol stabilized silver NPs. (b) Three-dimensional (3D) AFM image of thiol stabilized silver NPs.



**Fig. S10** UV-Vis. spectra of compound **1** in the presence of Cu<sup>2+</sup> and various metal ions ( $5 \times 10^{-6}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup> Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Li<sup>+</sup>, Ag<sup>+</sup>, Ba<sup>2+</sup>, Cd<sup>2+</sup>, Co<sup>2+</sup>, Fe<sup>2+</sup>, Hg<sup>2+</sup>, Mn<sup>2+</sup>, Ni<sup>2+</sup>, Pb<sup>2+</sup> and Zn<sup>2+</sup> at pH 7.4 (phosphate buffer 10 mM) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN:H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1 v/v).



**Table S1.** Binding constants of **1** with other metal ions recorded at room temperature in ACN–  
H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1, v/v) mixture.

<b>Metal ions</b>	<b>Binding constant values (M<sup>-1</sup>)</b>
Na <sup>+</sup>	1025
K <sup>+</sup>	1207
Li <sup>+</sup>	1401
Ag <sup>+</sup>	3103
Cu <sup>2+</sup>	8345
Ba <sup>2+</sup>	2105
Cd <sup>2+</sup>	2414
Co <sup>2+</sup>	1928
Fe <sup>2+</sup>	3255
Hg <sup>2+</sup>	2751
Mn <sup>2+</sup>	2361
Ni <sup>2+</sup>	3976
Pb <sup>2+</sup>	3625
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	3832