

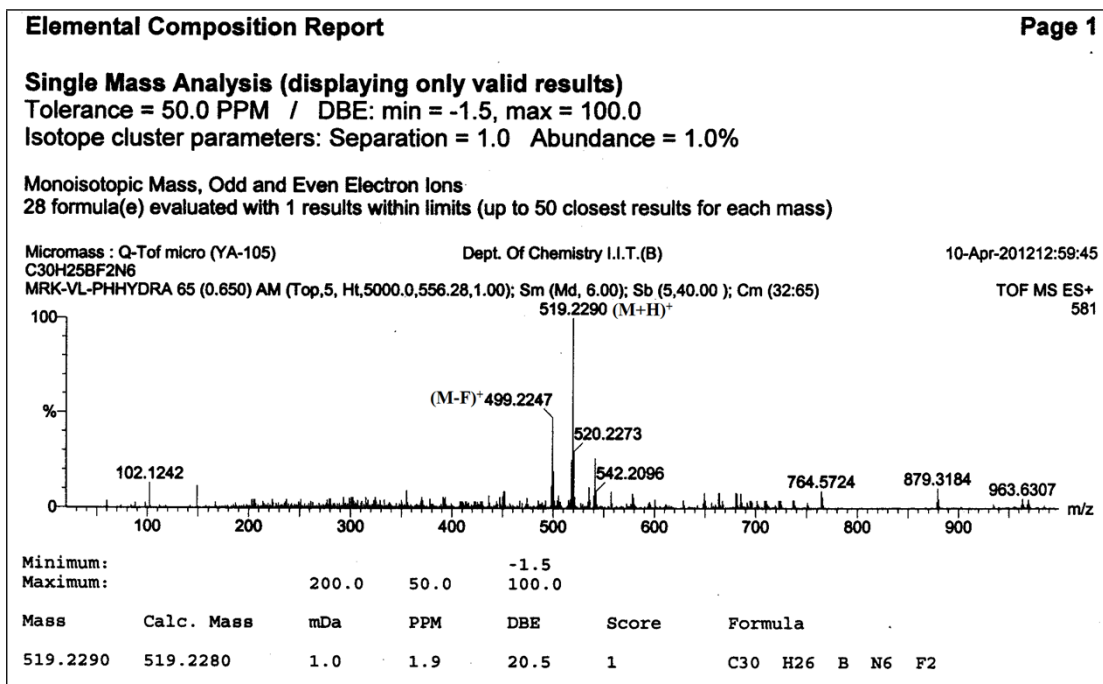
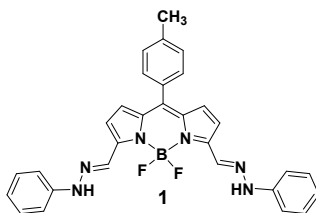
## Boron-Dipyrromethene Based Multi Anionic Sensor and a Specific Cationic Sensor for Fe<sup>3+</sup>

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**Figure S1: The HRMS of compound 1.**

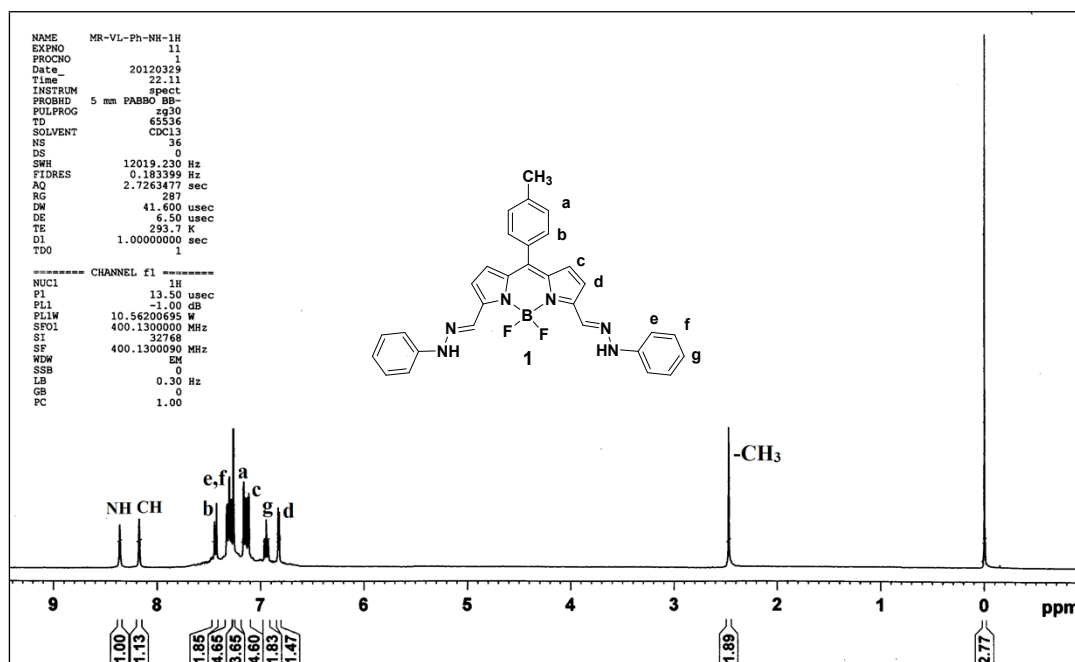
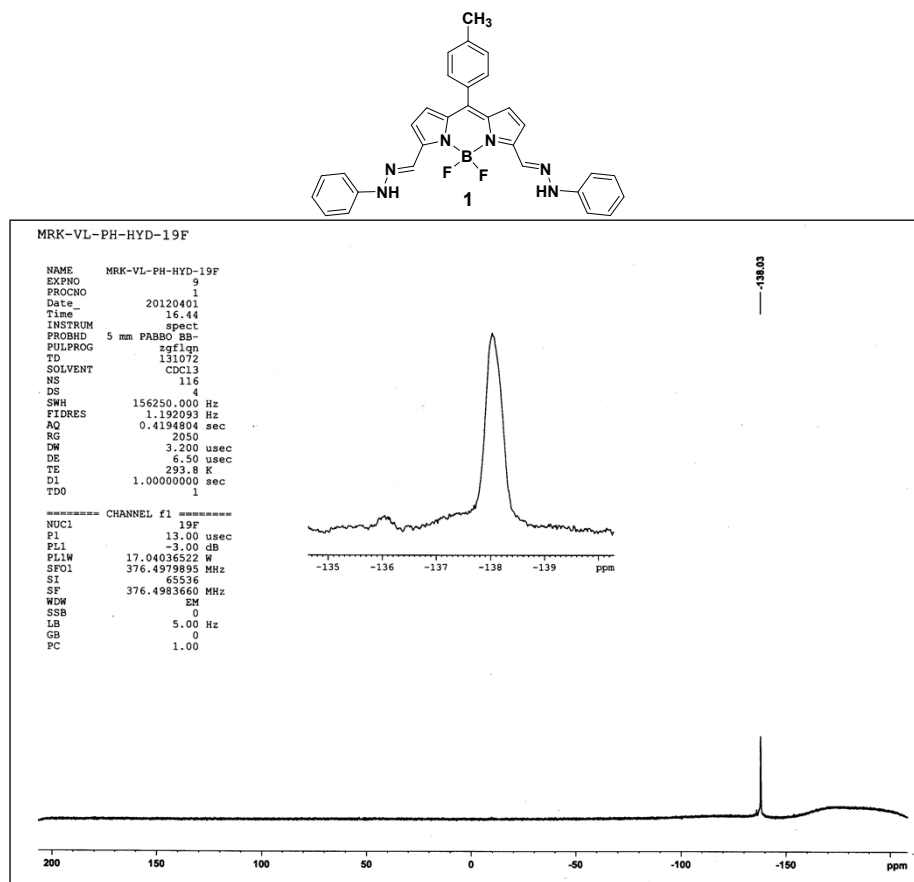
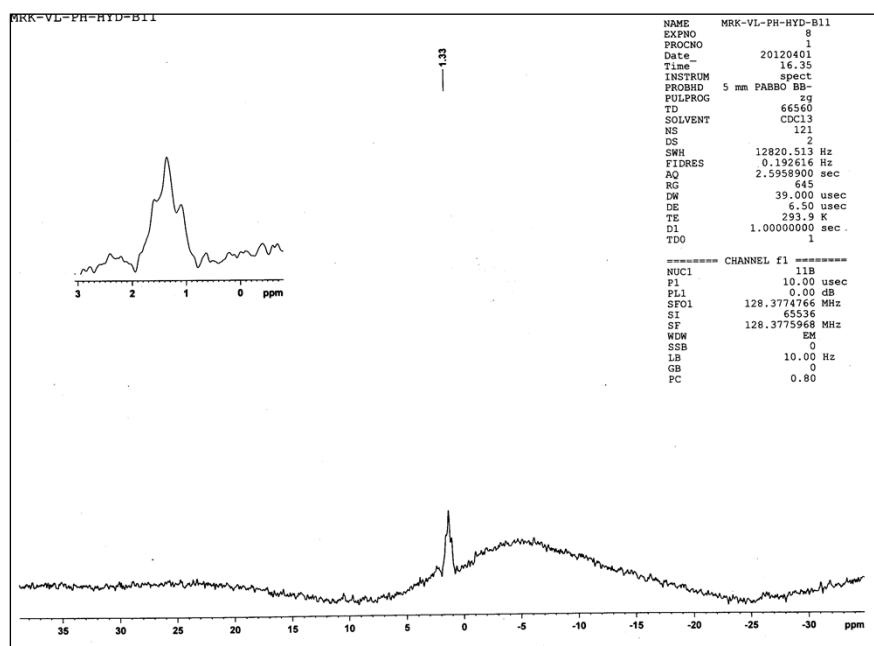


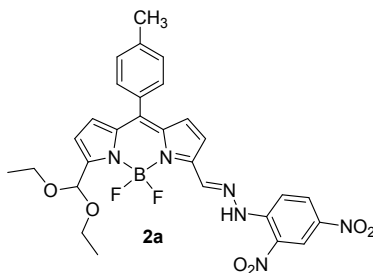
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**Figure S3:**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of compound **1** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . The inset shows the expansion



**Figure S4:**  $^{11}\text{B}$  NMR spectrum of compound **1** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . The inset shows the expansion.



## Elemental Composition Report

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### Single Mass Analysis (displaying only valid results)

Tolerance = 10.0 PPM / DBE: min = -1.5, max = 200.0

Isotope cluster parameters: Separation = 1.0 Abundance = 1.0%

### Monoisotopic Mass, Odd and Even Electron Ions

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Waters(Micromass) : Q-ToF micro(YA-105)

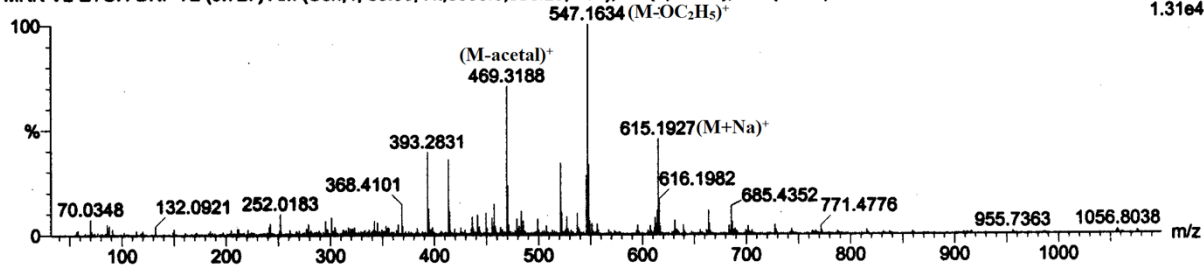
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C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>BF<sub>2</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>6</sub>

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TOF MS ES+  
1.31e4



Minimum:

Maximum: 50.0 10.0 -1.5

200.0

Mass	Calc. Mass	mDa	PPM	DBE	Score	Formula
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615.1927	615.1951	-2.3	-3.8	17.5	1	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>27</sub> B N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>6</sub> F <sub>2</sub> Na
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Figure S5: The HRMS mass spectrum of compound 2a.

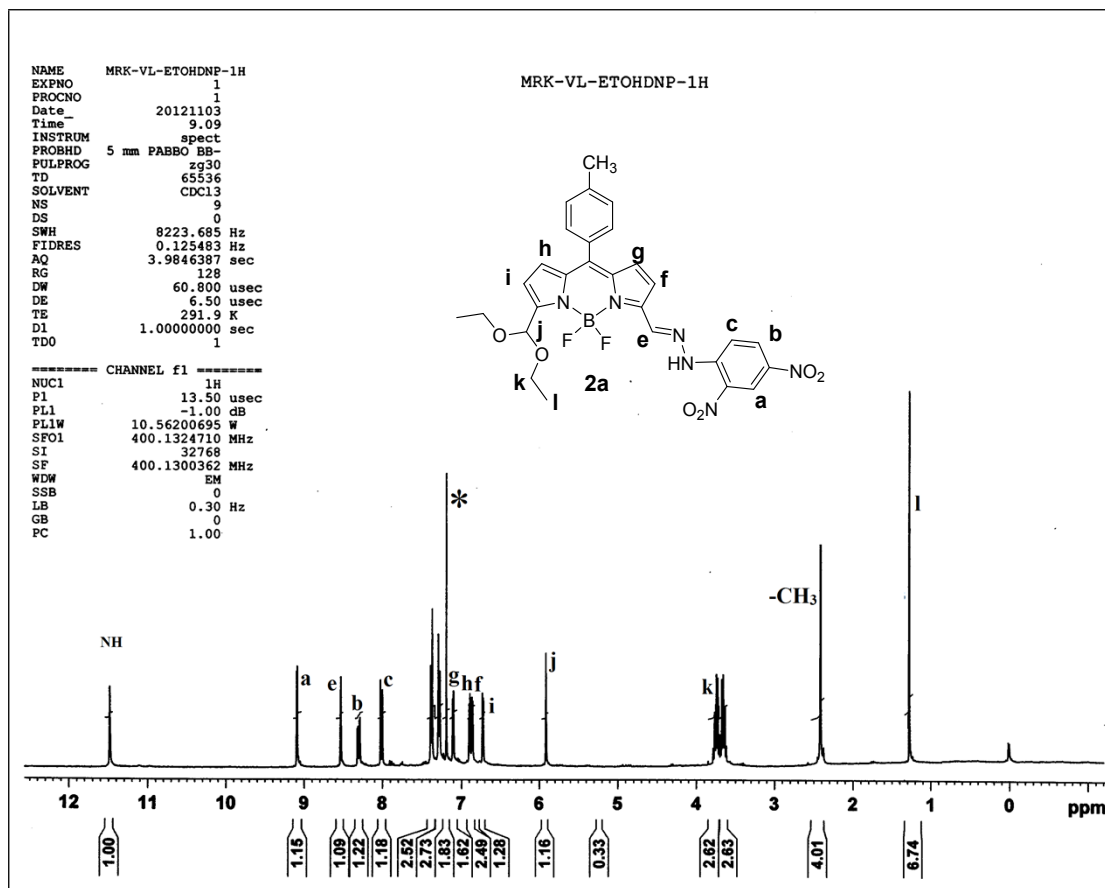
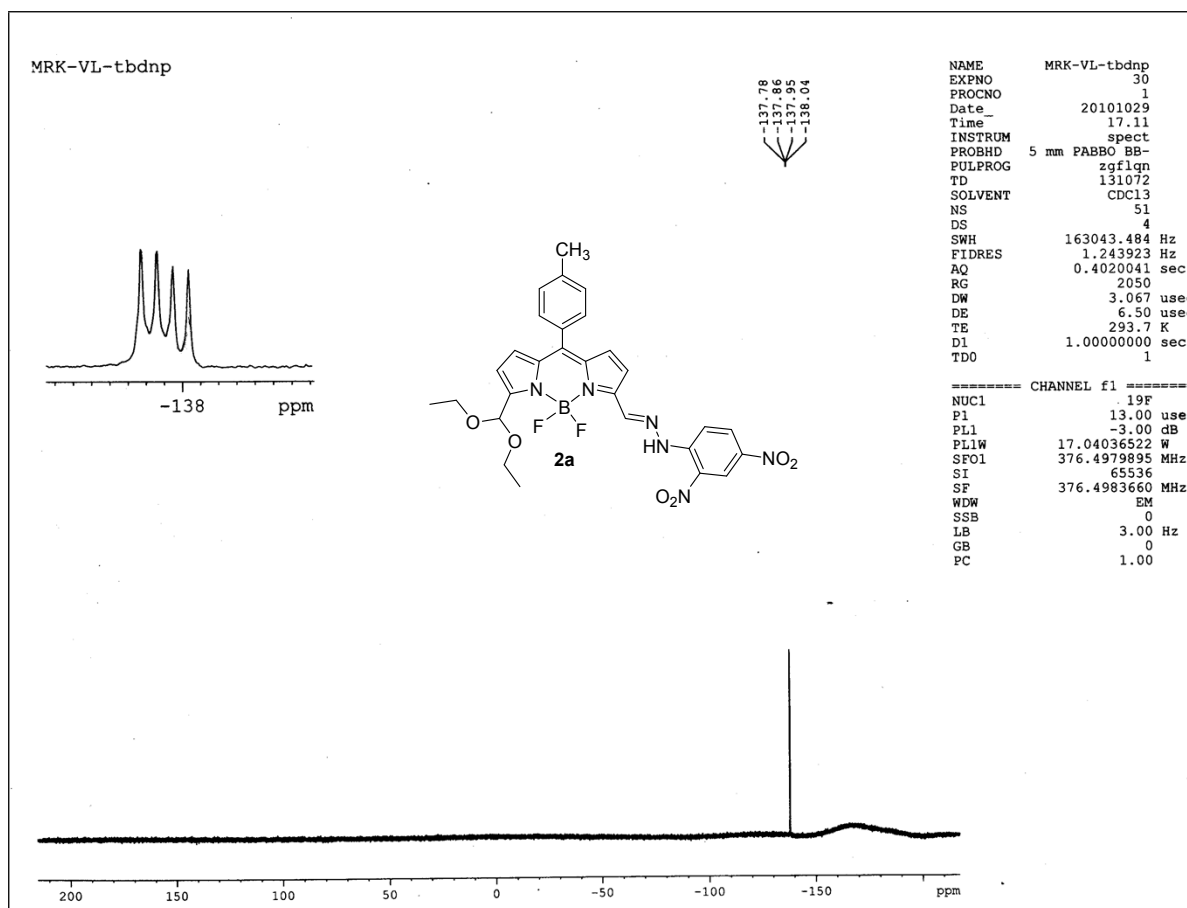
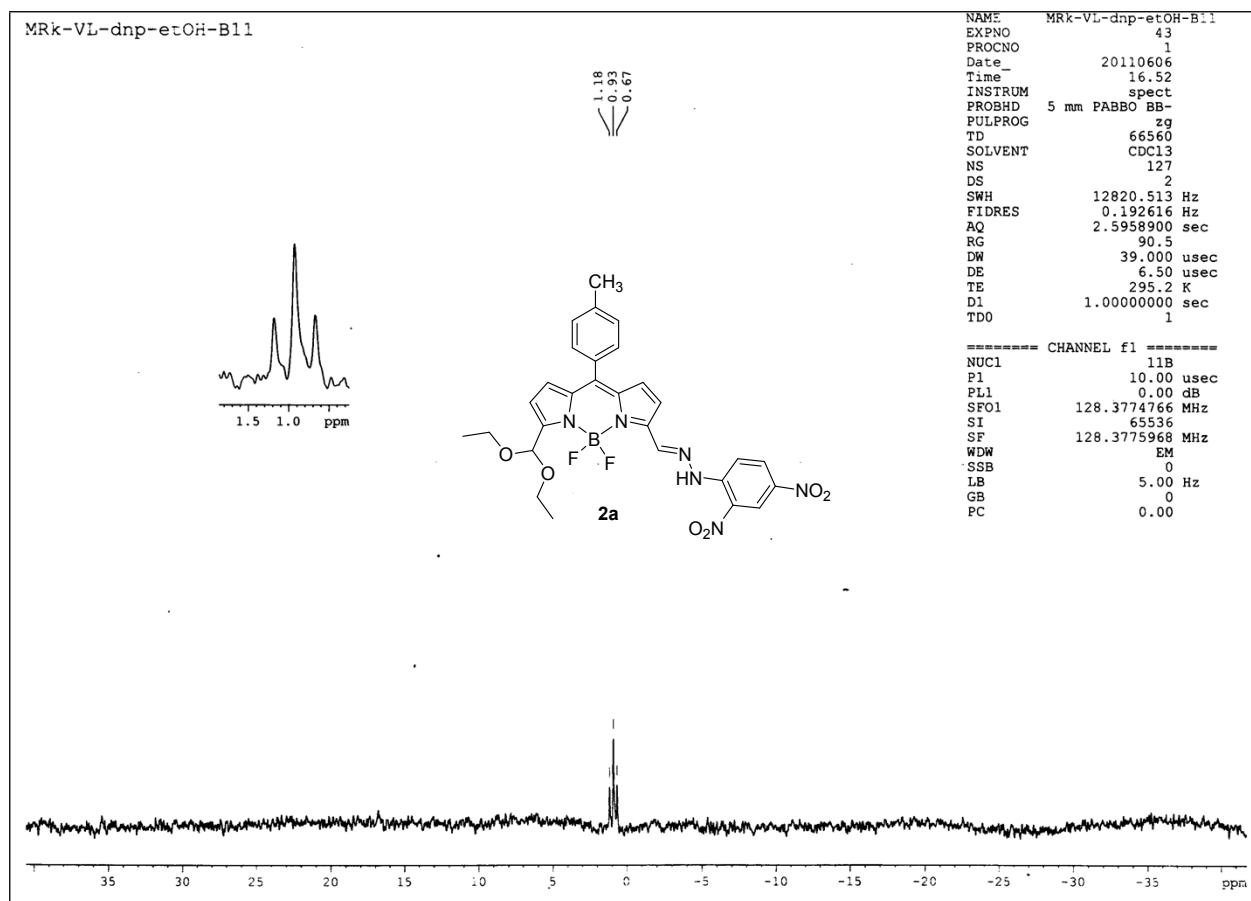


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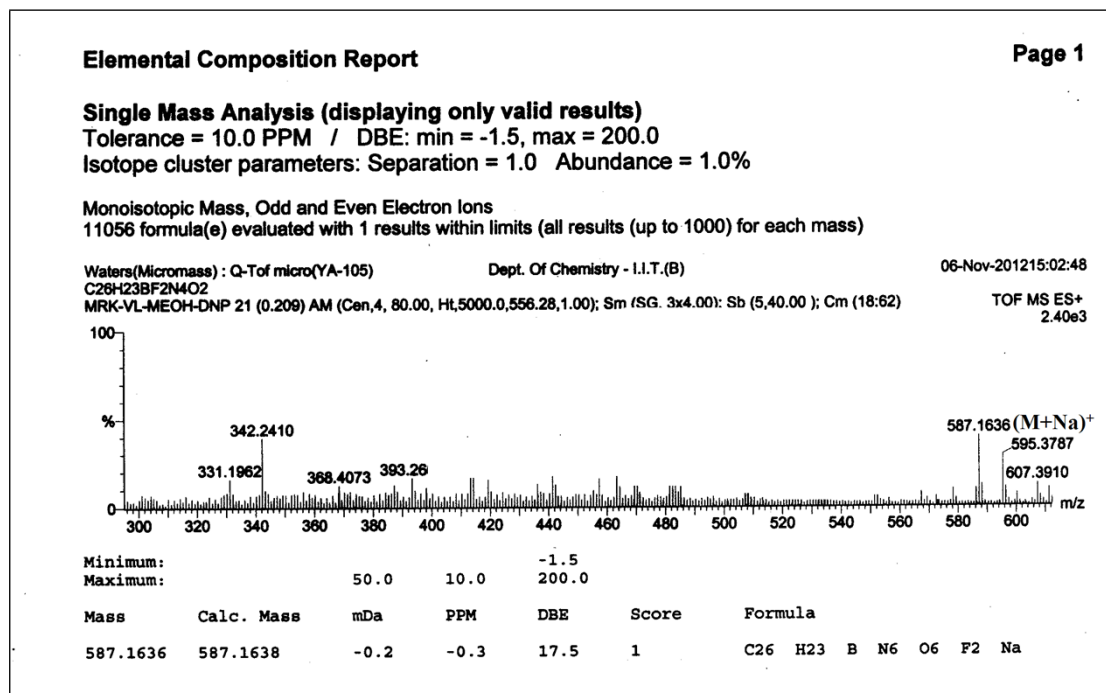
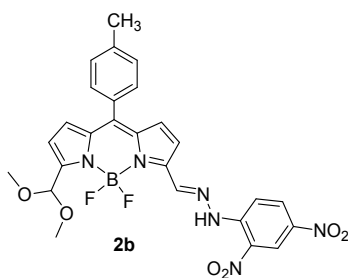


**Figure S7:**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum of compound **2a** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . The inset shows the expansion





**Figure S8:** <sup>11</sup>B NMR spectrum of compound **2a** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. The inset shows the expansion



**Figure S9: The HR-MS of compound 2b**

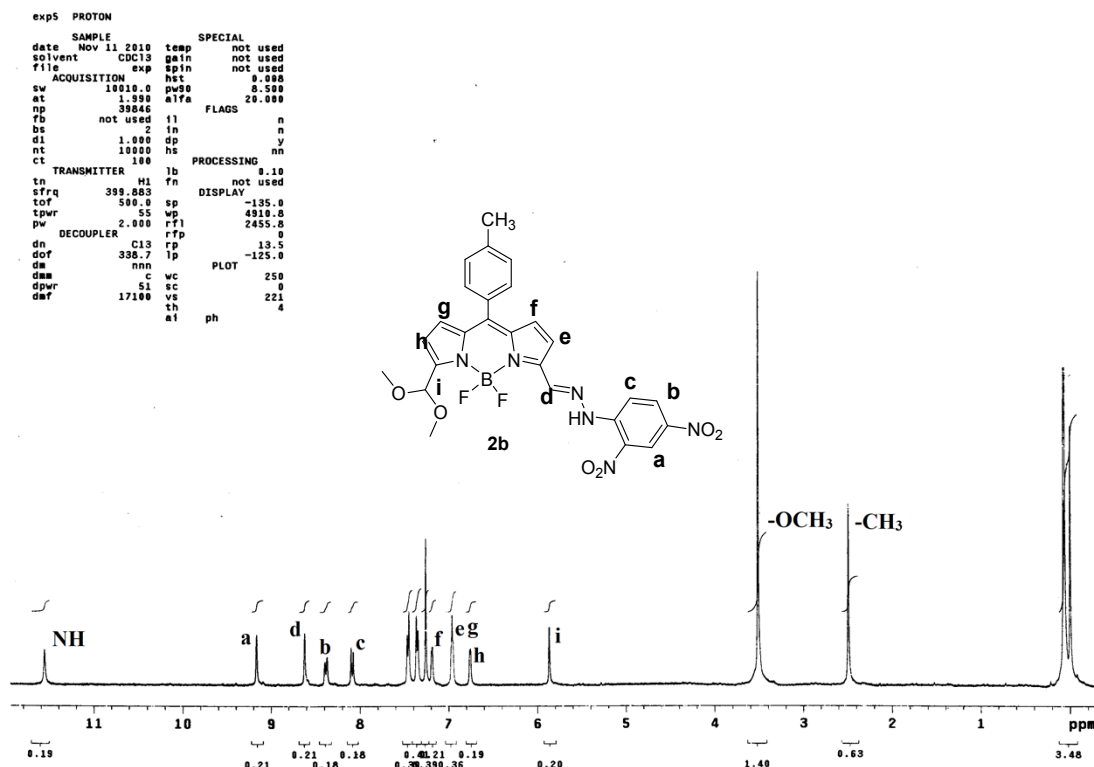
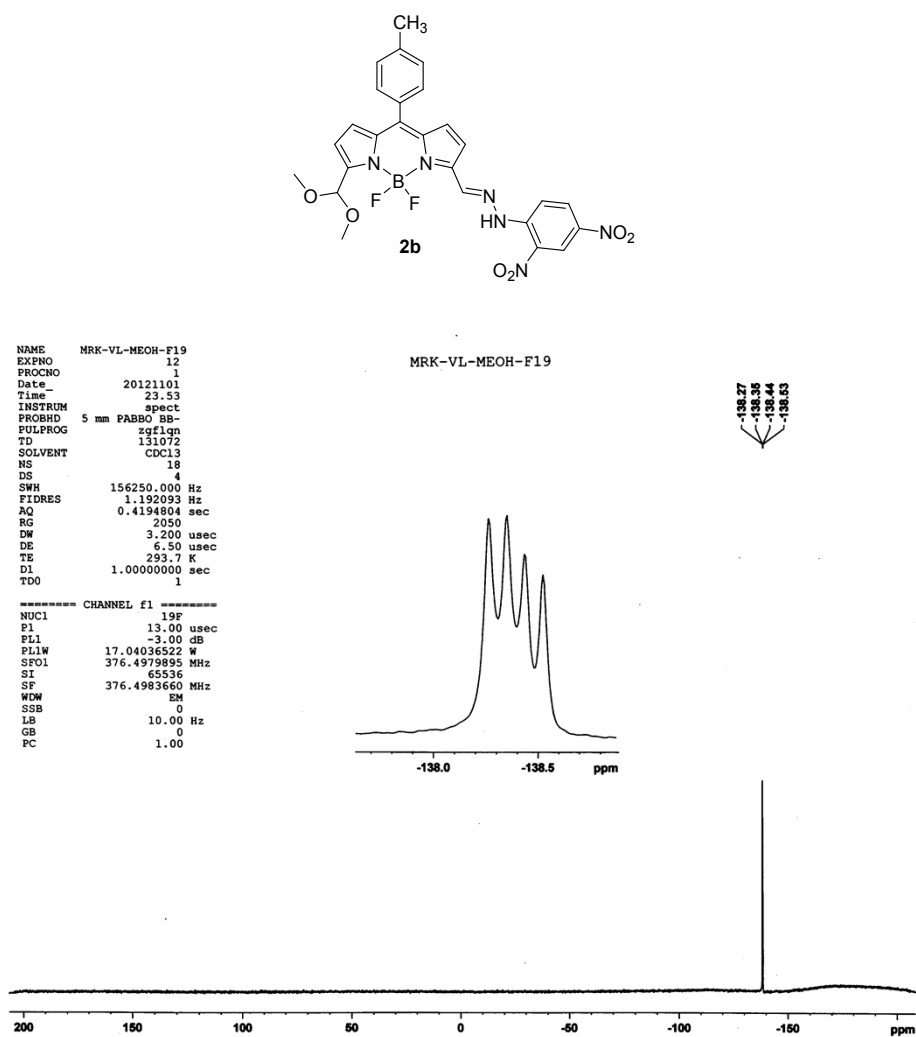
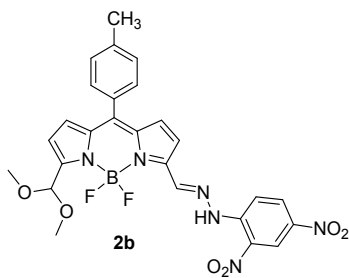


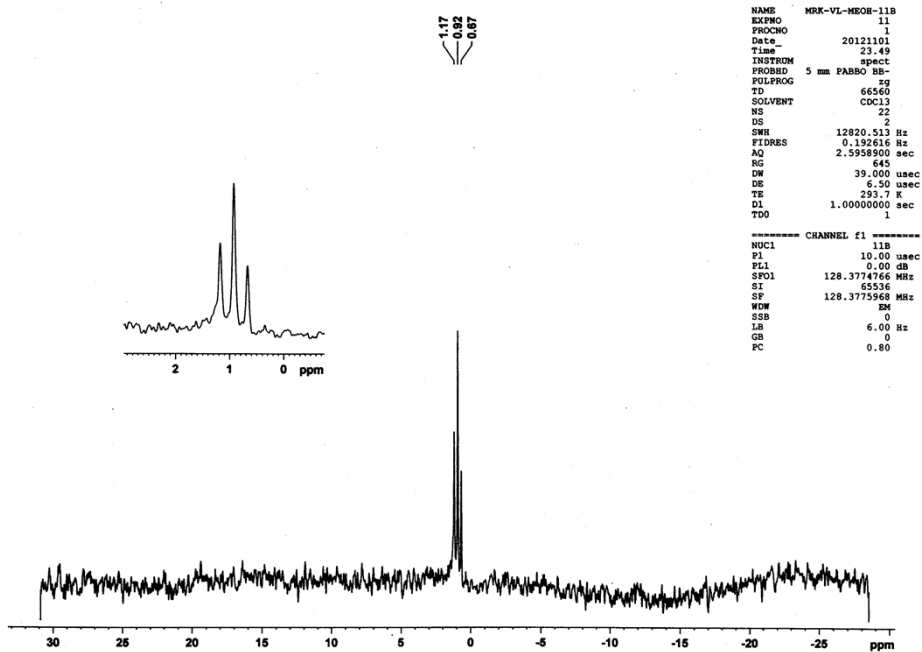
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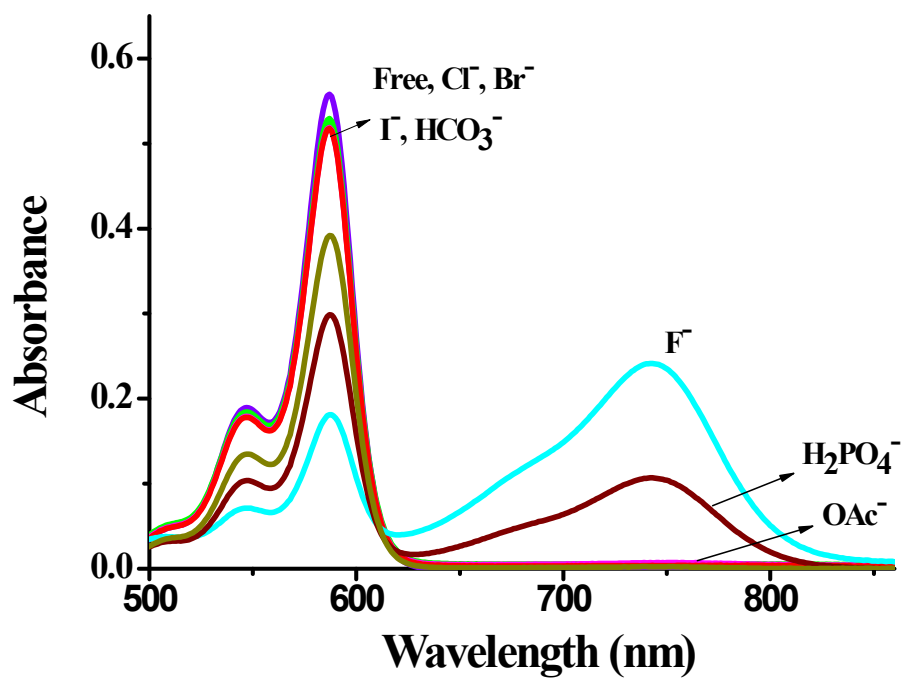
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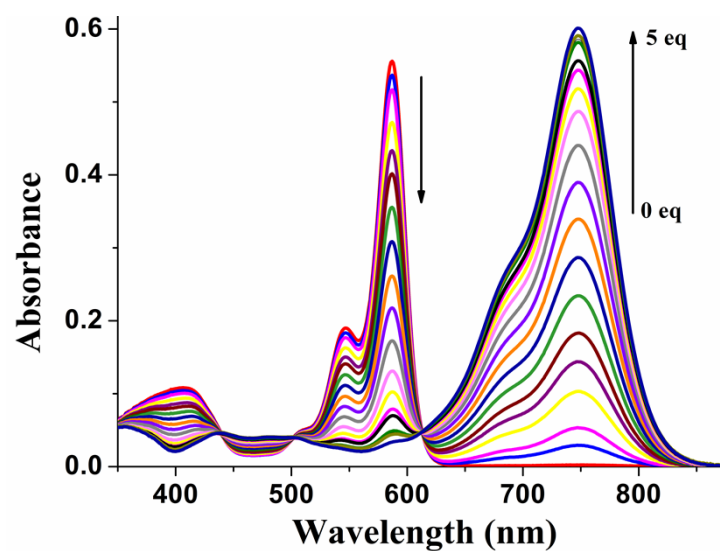
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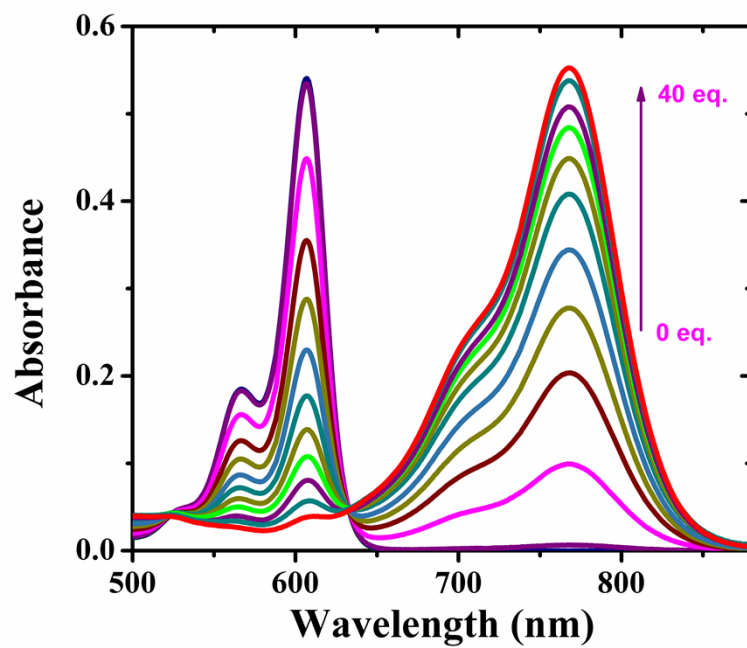
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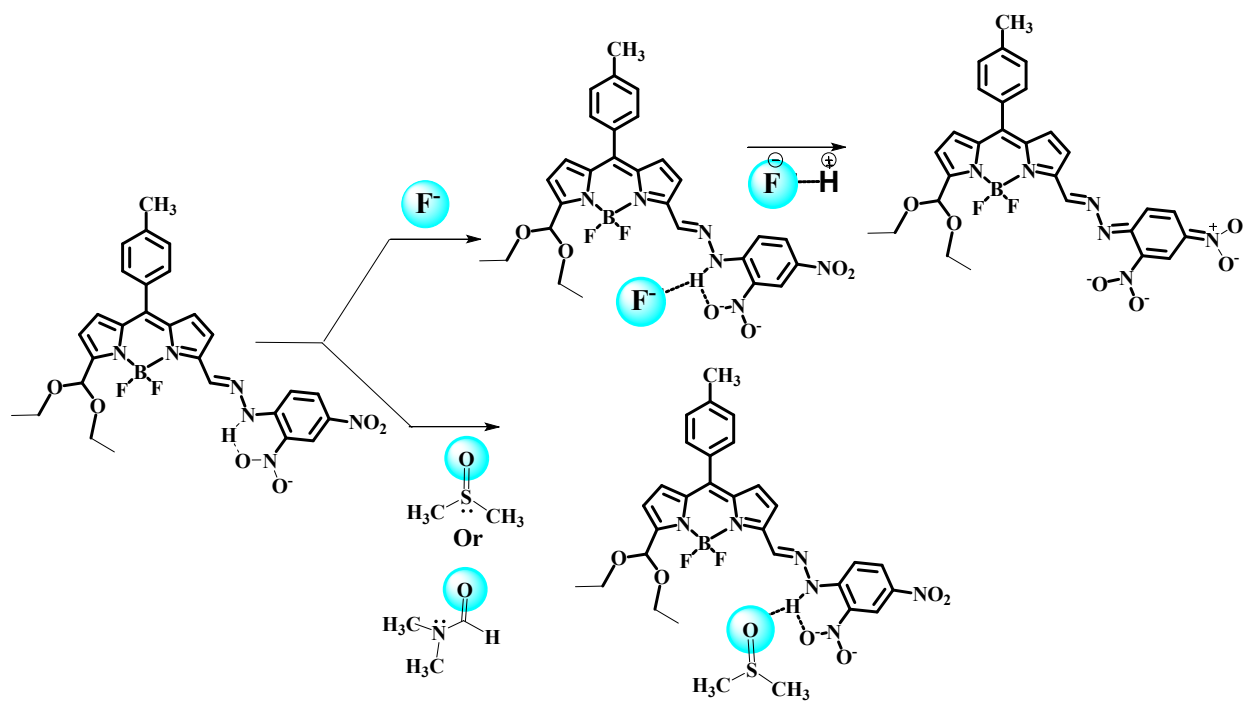


**Figure S14:** Absorption spectra of compound **2a** ( $5 \times 10^{-6}$  M), with different conc. of  $\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$  solution (0–5 equivalents) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ .

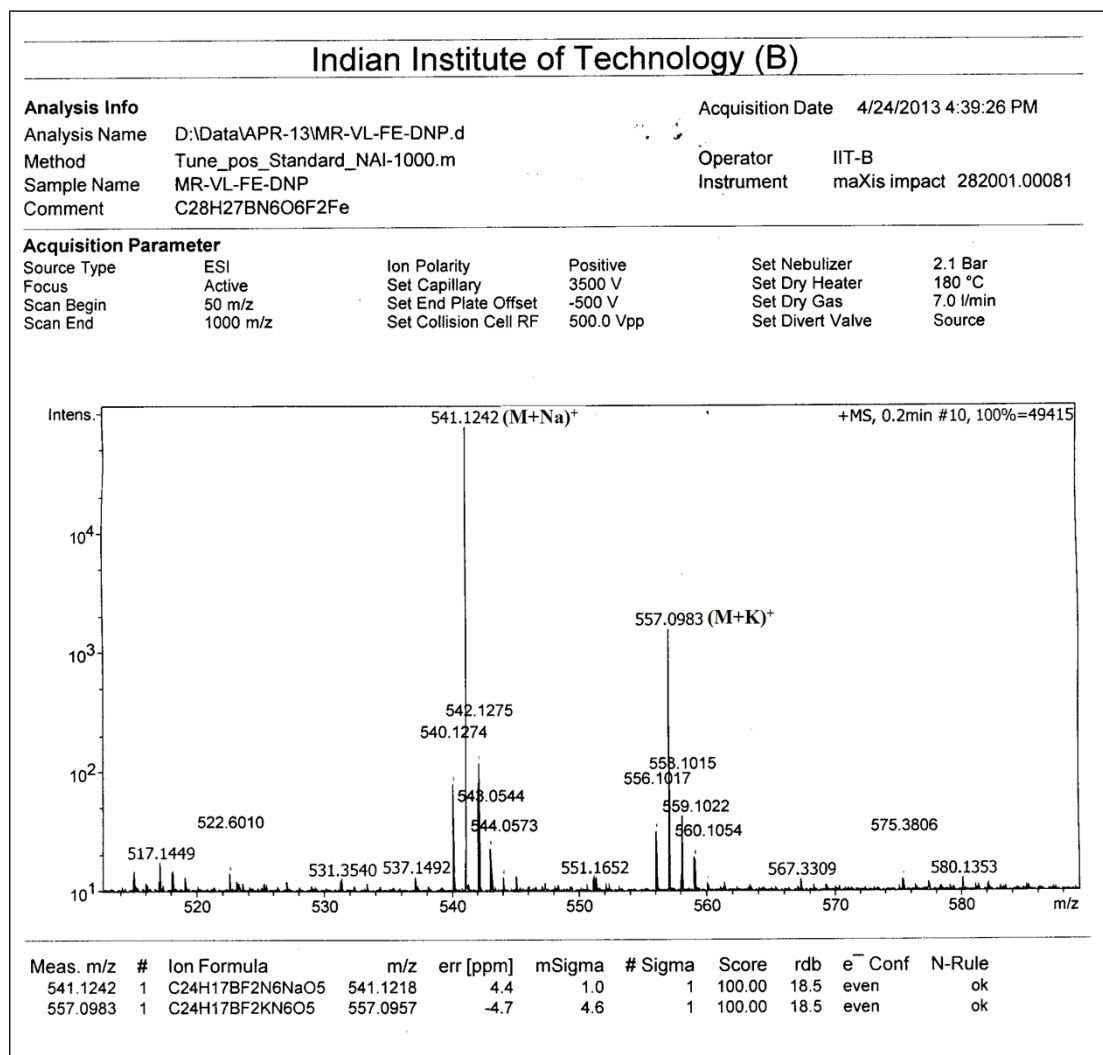
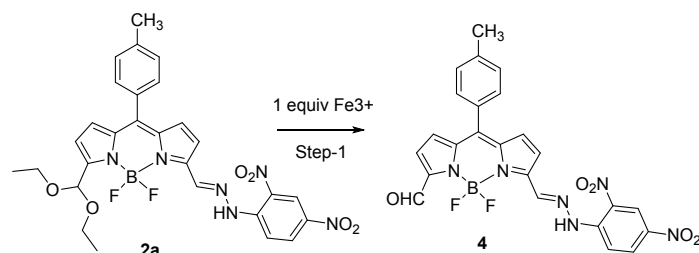


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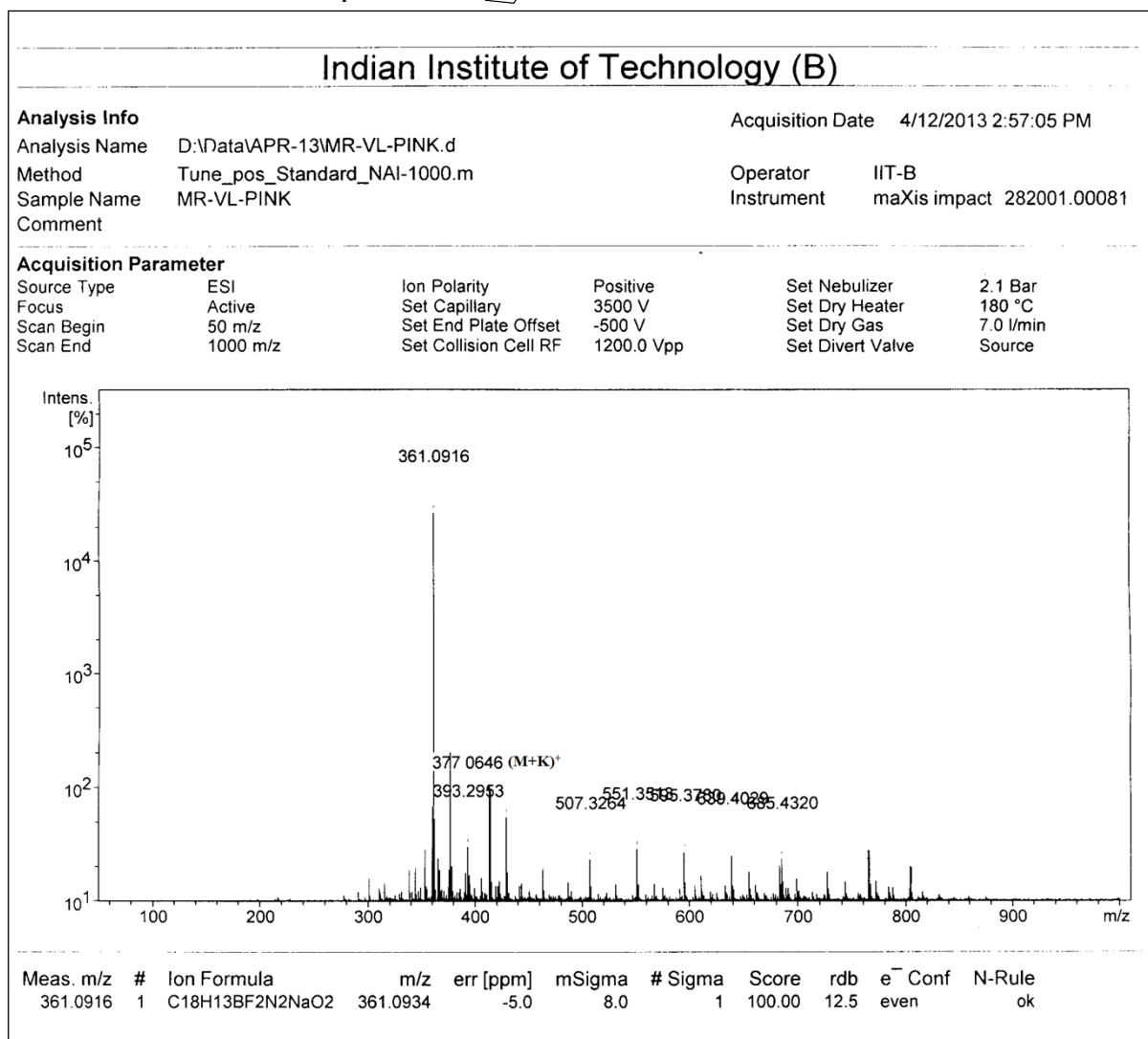
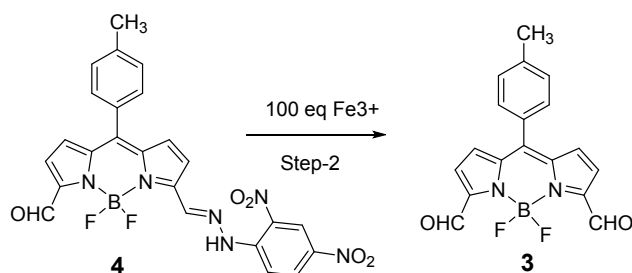




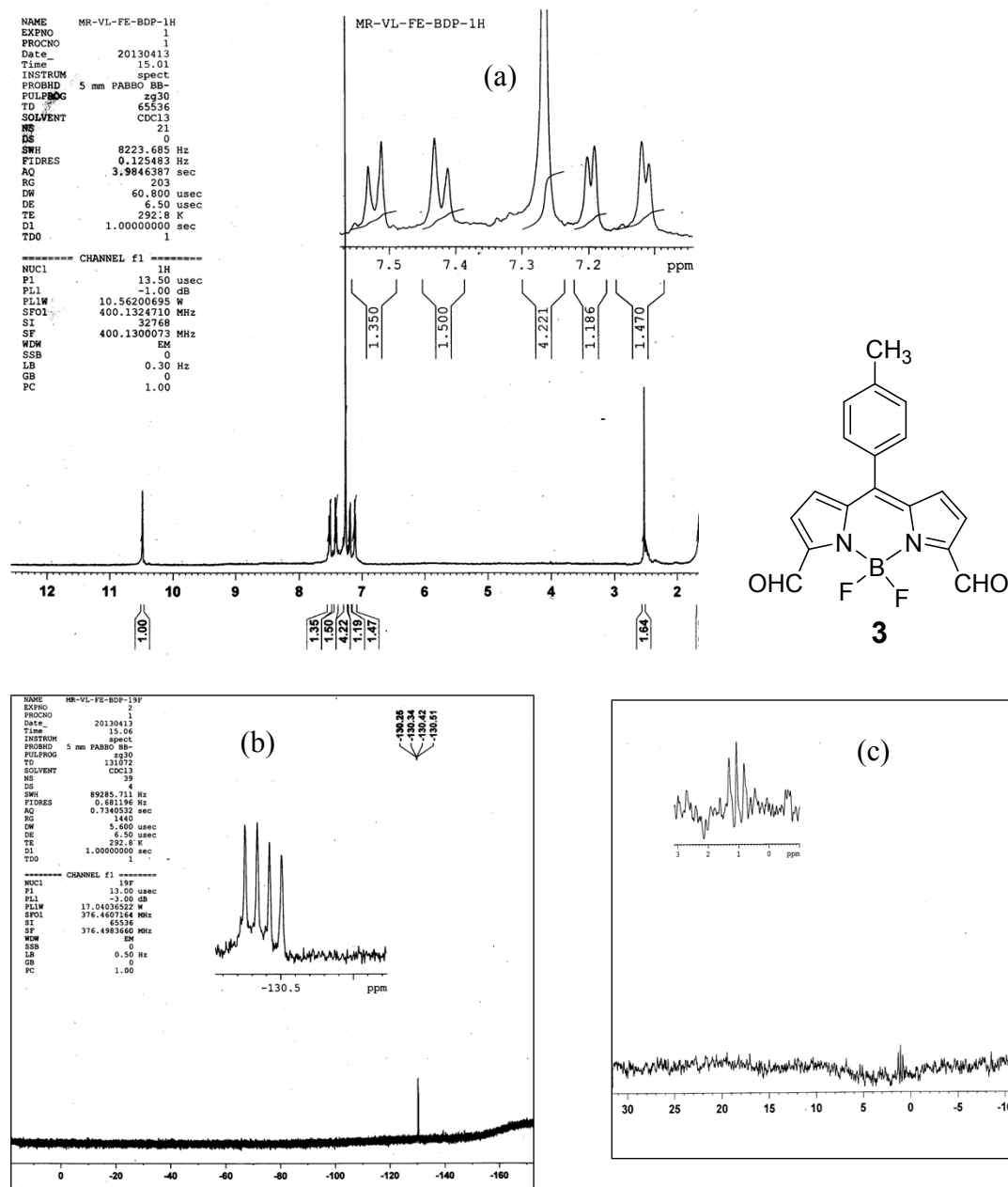
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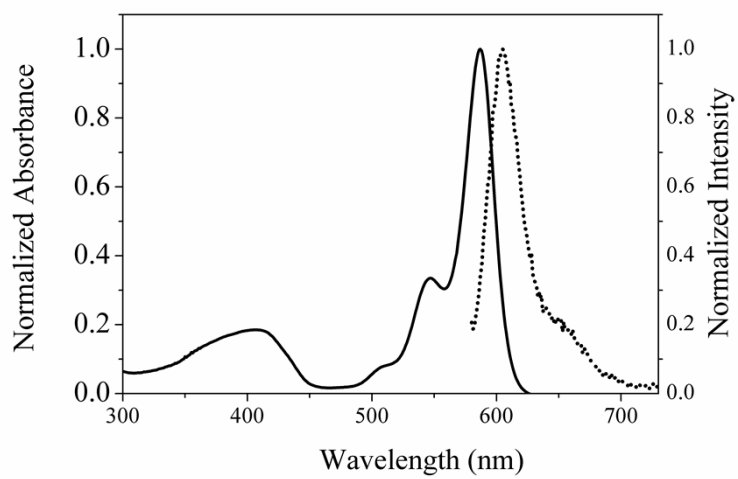
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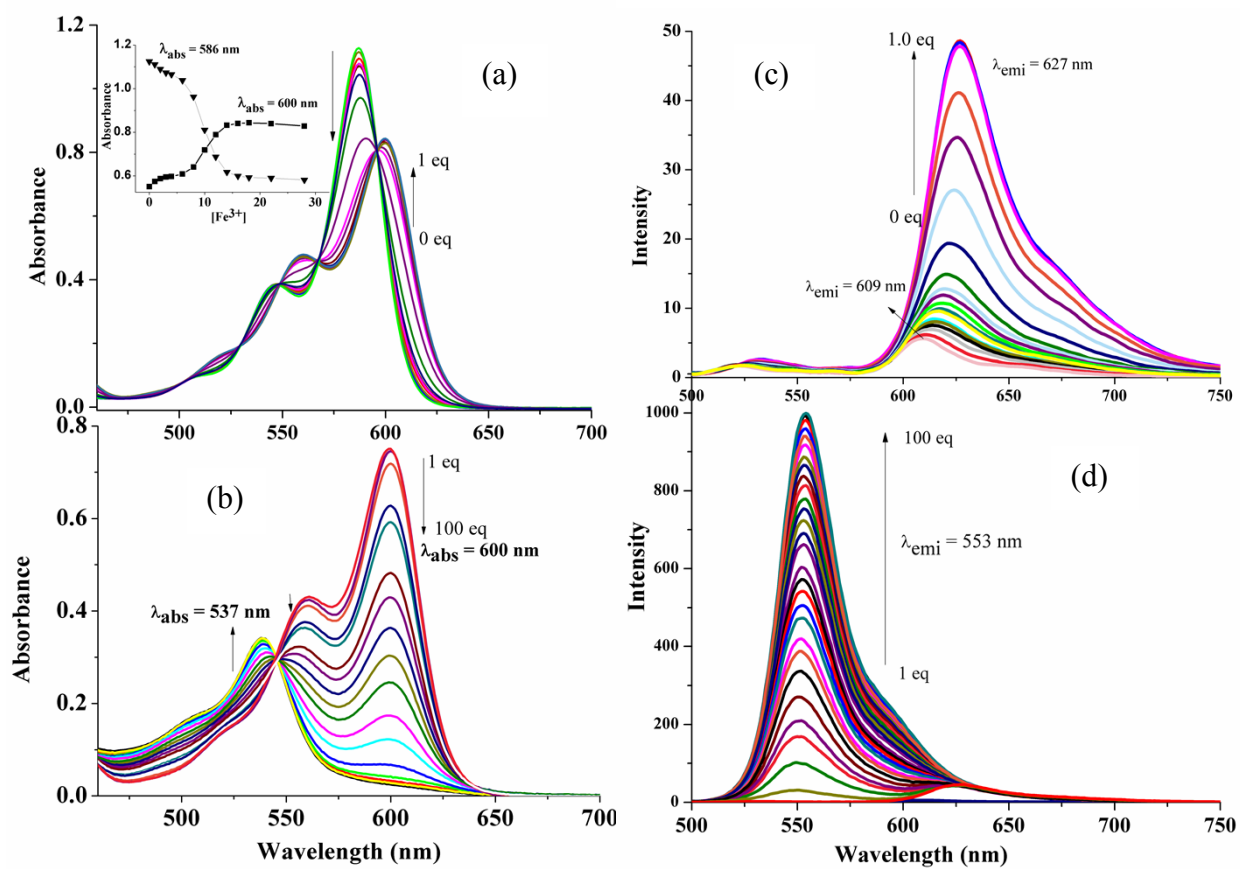
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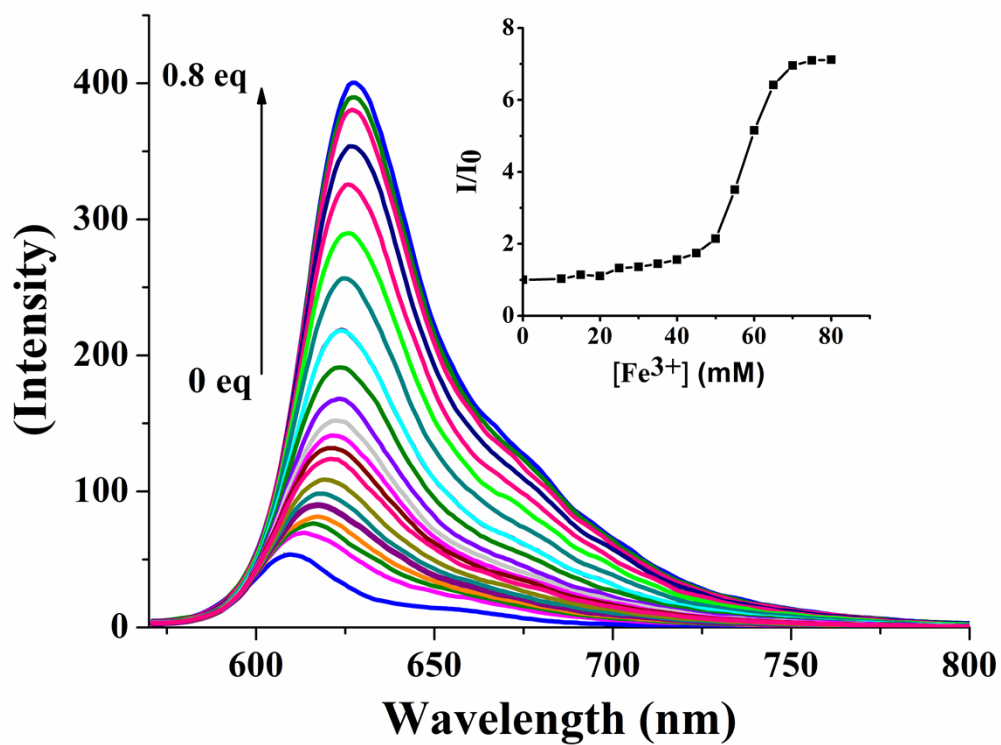
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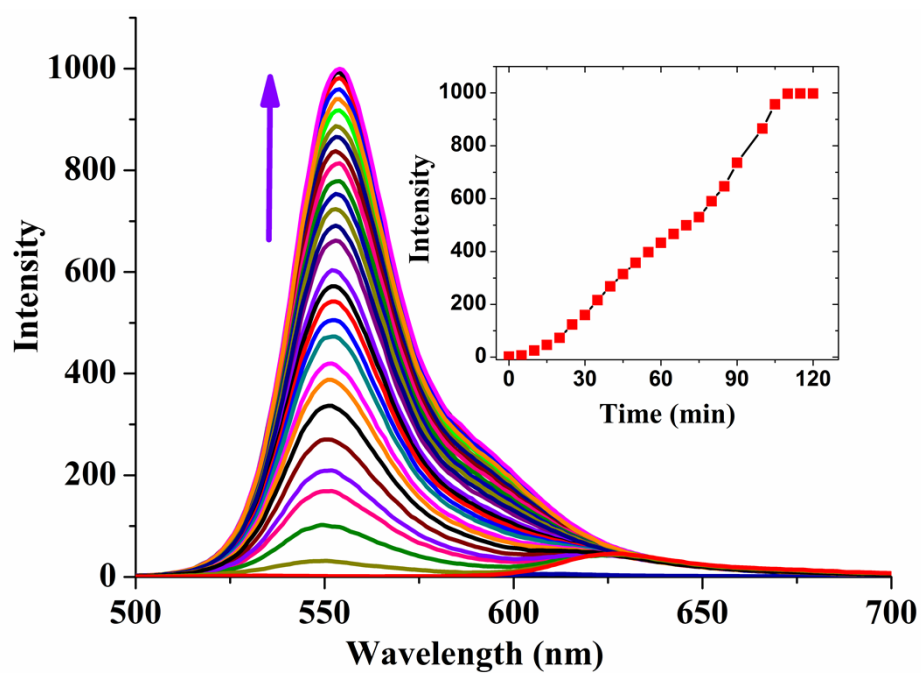
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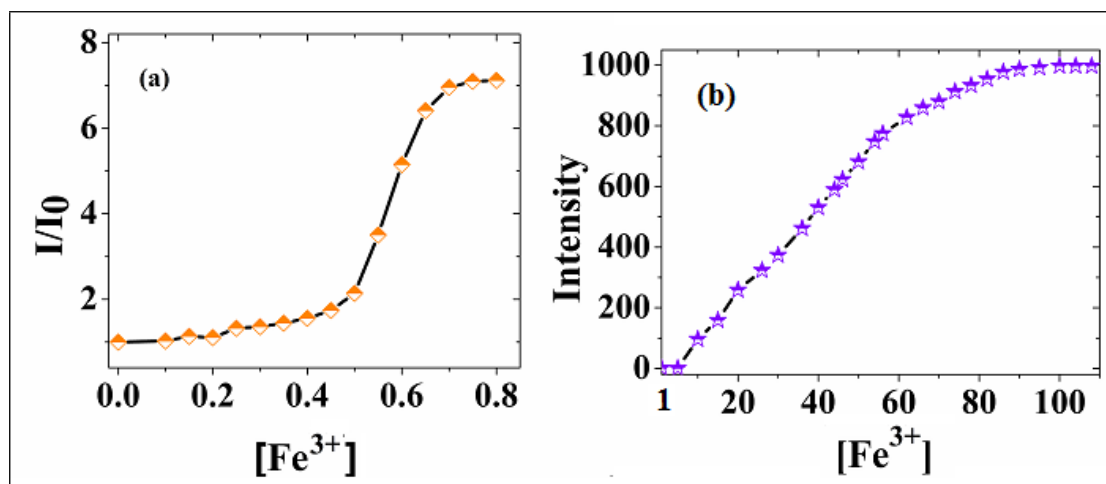


**Figure S21:** Emission spectra ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 560$  nm) of compound **2a** ( $10^{-5}$  M) upon titration with 0-1 equiv. of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  solution in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ . The inset shows the plot of  $I/I_{\text{max}}$  vs.  $[\text{Fe}^{3+}]$

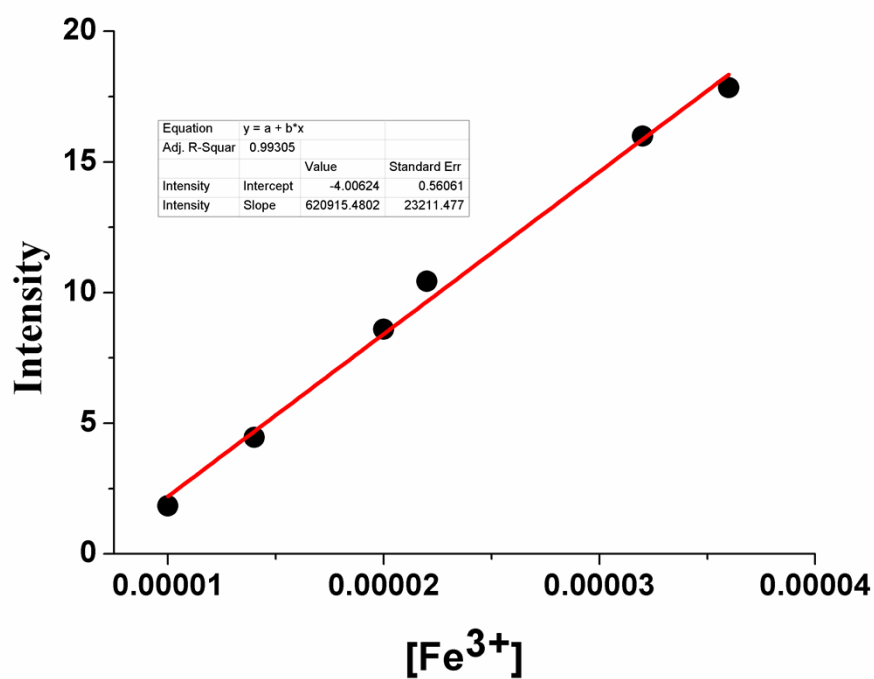


**Figure S22:** Emission spectral changes of BODIPY **2a** (10 μM) upon titration with 45 equivalents of Fe<sup>3+</sup> ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 488 \text{ nm}$ ) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN. (Inset: Plot between the time and fluorescence intensity with 45 equivalents of Fe<sup>3+</sup>). Each spectrum was recorded after 1 min from addition of Fe<sup>3+</sup>.

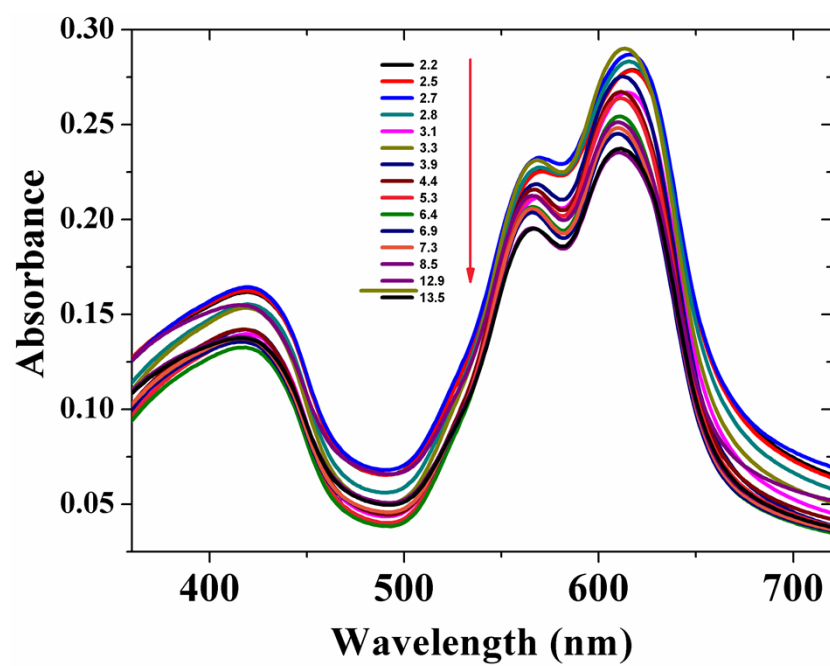




**Figure S23:** Relative emission changes of compound **2a** ( $10^{-5}$  M) in the presence of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  excited at 488 nm: (c) 0 to 1 equivalent (d) 1 to 100 equivalents in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ .



**Figure S24:** The linear dynamic fluorescence response for the titration of BODIPY **2a** with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  ion to determine the limit of detection (LOD). The LOD was calculated using the formula  $3\sigma/k$ , where  $\sigma$  = standard deviation for 10 blank samples and  $k$  = slope of the linear calibration curve.



**Figure S25:** Absorption spectra of compound **2a** (10 μM) in an aqueous acetate buffer solution (0.1 M) as a function of the pH.

**Table S1:** Crystal data for compound **2a**

Parameters	<b>2a</b>
Mol. formula	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>26</sub> BF <sub>2</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>8</sub>
For. weight	623.36
Temp, K	150(2) K
cryst sym	Monoclinic,
space group	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>
$\lambda$ , Å	0.71073
<i>a</i> , Å	9.6447(9)
<i>b</i> , Å	23.900(3)
<i>c</i> , Å	27.692(3)
$\alpha$ , °	90.00
$\beta$ , °	91.735(8)
$\gamma$ , °	90.00
volume, Å <sup>3</sup>	6380.3(12)
<i>Z</i>	8
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.103
<i>D</i> <sub>calcd</sub> (Mg m <sup>-3</sup> )	1.298
F(000)	444
$\theta$ range (deg)	3.32 to 25.00
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<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	=0.0983
Data / restraints / parameters	5627 / 0 / 409
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	0.742
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , w <i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> ) ]	0.0636, 0.1574
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , w <i>R</i> <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.2179, 0.1861
Largest diff. peak/hole, (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.305 and -0.196