

Supplementary Information

On the Fluorescent, Steric and Electronic Factors Affecting the Detection of Metallic Ions Using an Imidazolyl-Phenolic Derived Fluorescent Probe

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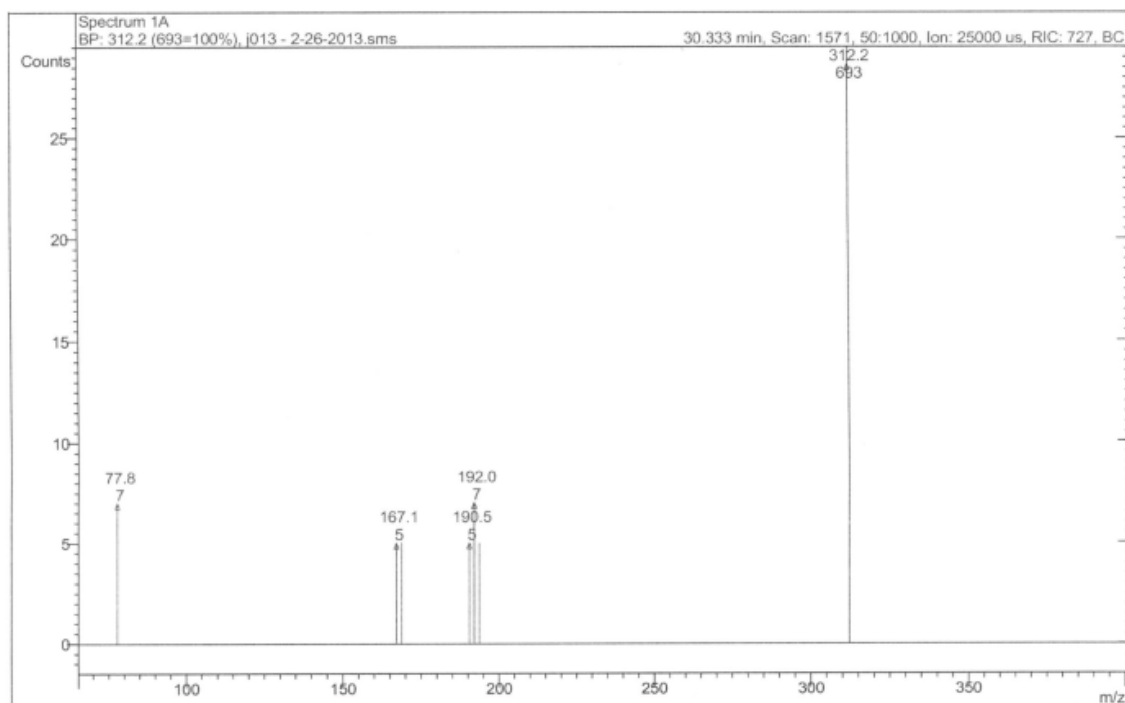


Figure S1. MS spectra of 1.

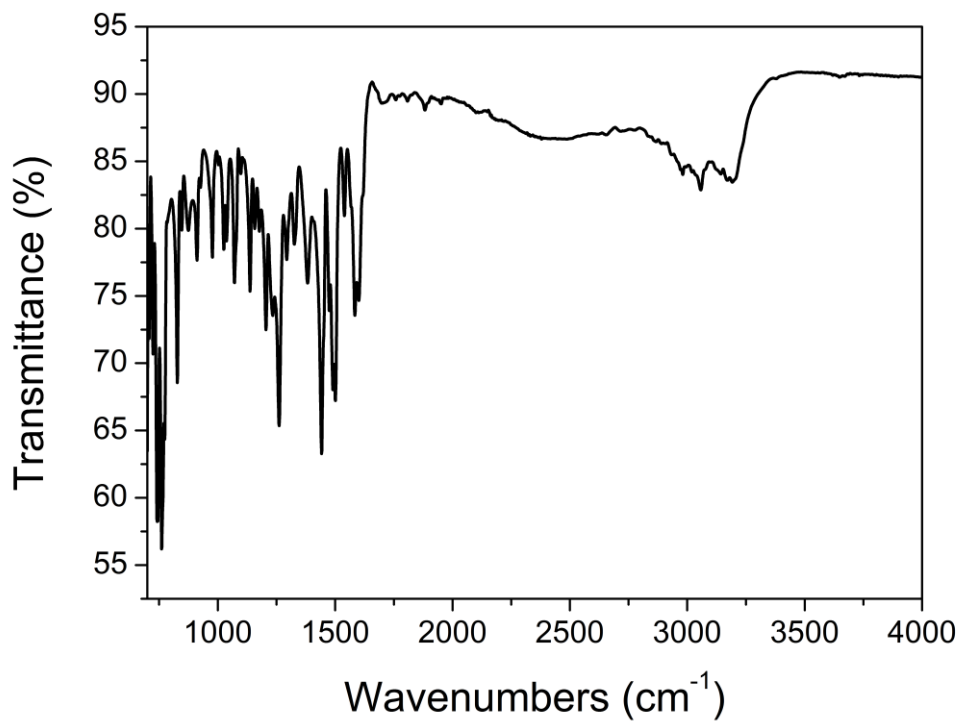


Figure S2. ATR-IR spectra of 1.

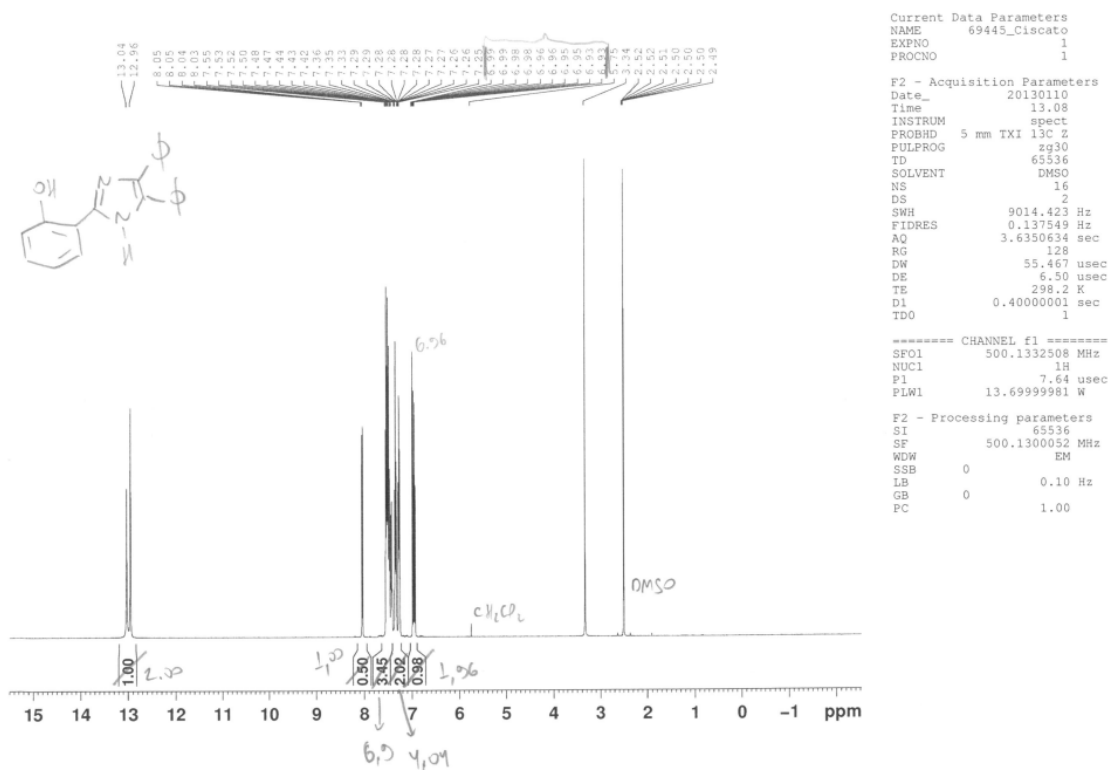


Figure S3. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of 1.

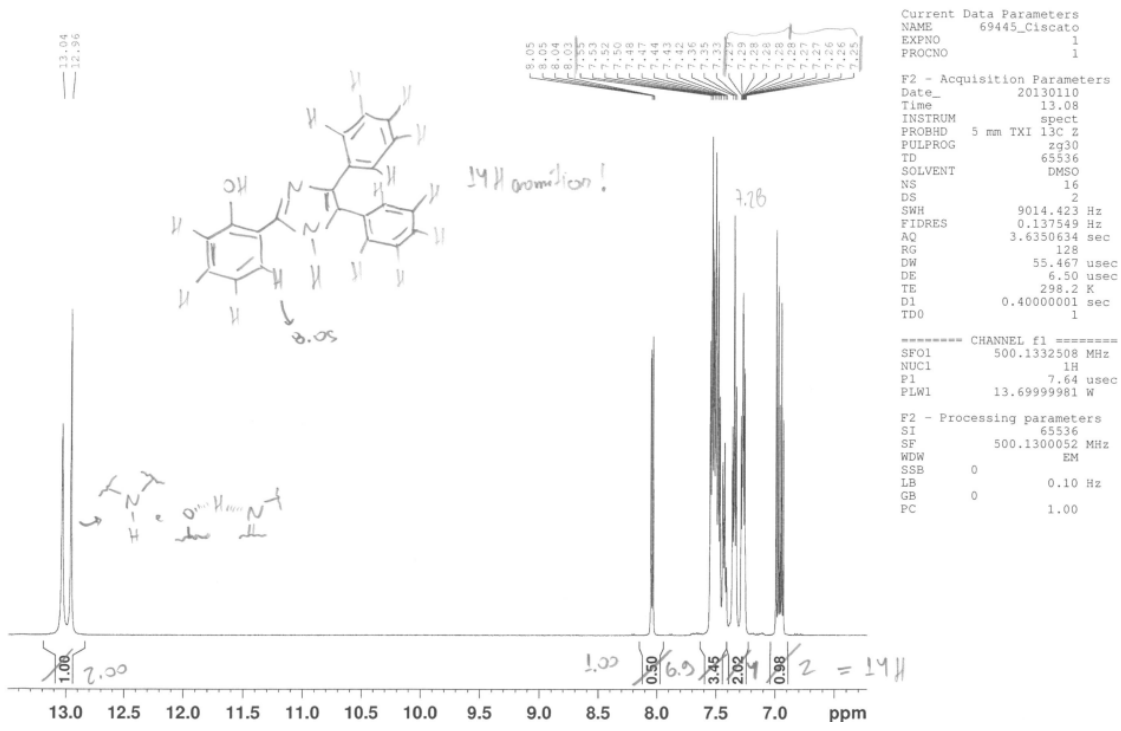


Figure S3. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of **1** (cont.).

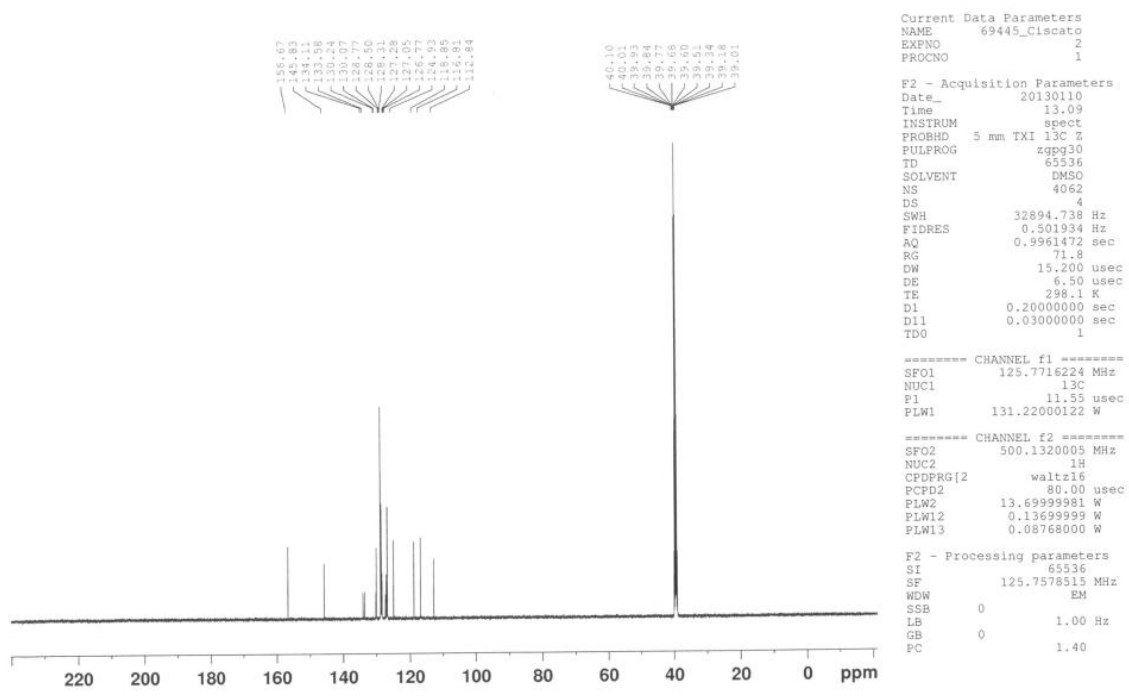


Figure S4. ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) spectra of **1**.

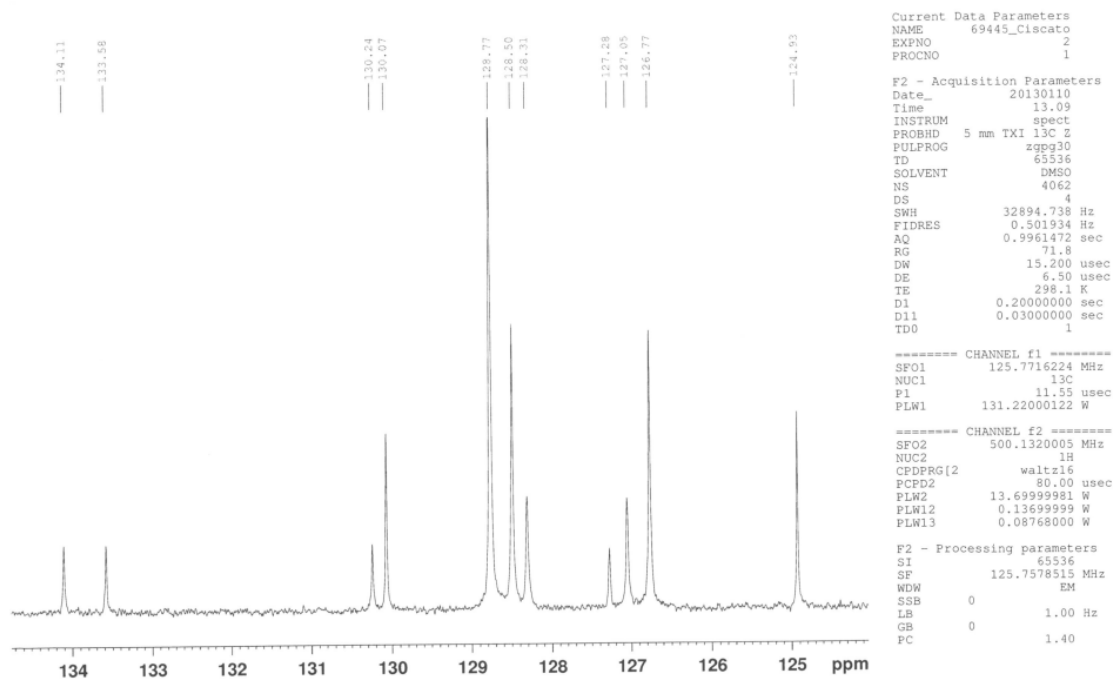
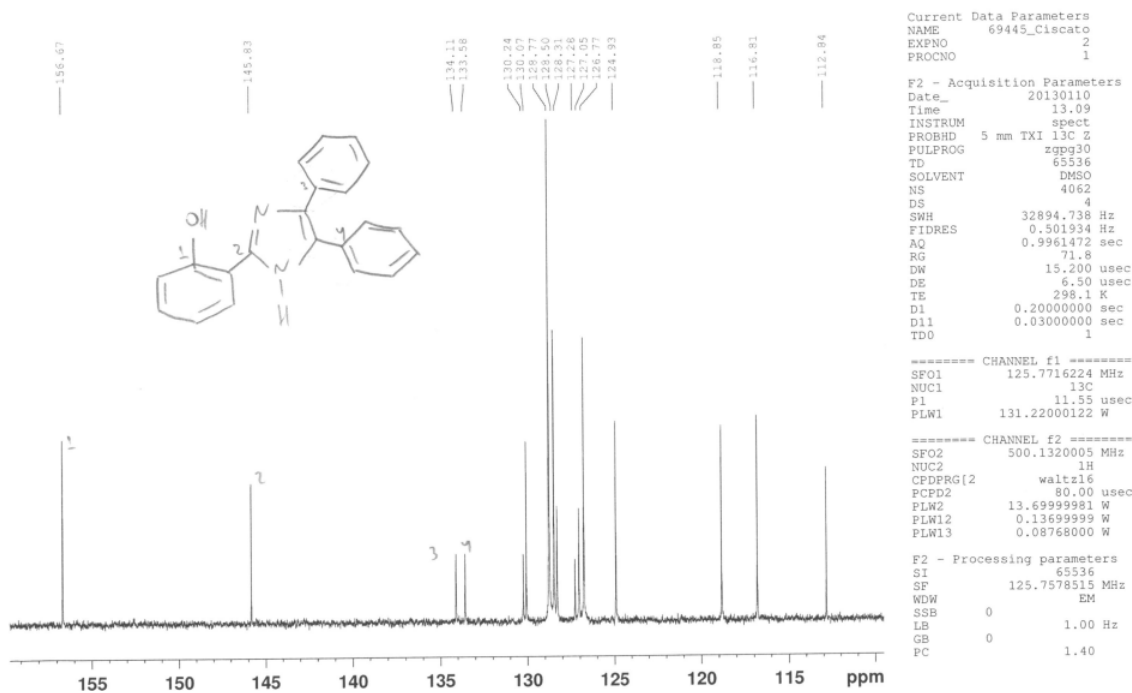


Figure S4. ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) spectra of **1** (cont.).

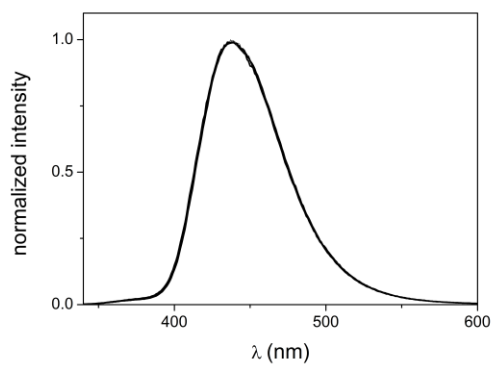


Figure S5. Effect of Ca^{2+} concentration (1.3×10^{-6} to 2.6×10^{-5} mol L^{-1}) on the fluorescence emission profile of **1** in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (95/5, v/v).

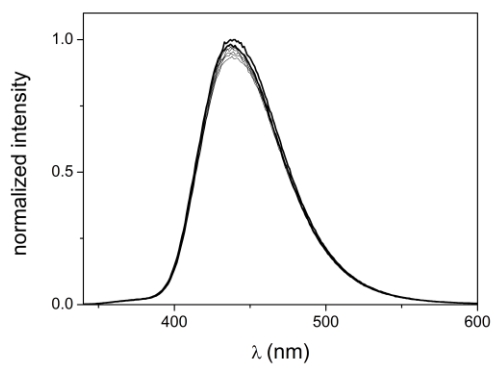


Figure S6. Effect of Co^{2+} concentration (1.3×10^{-6} to 2.5×10^{-5} mol L^{-1}) on the fluorescence emission profile of **1** in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (95/5, v/v).

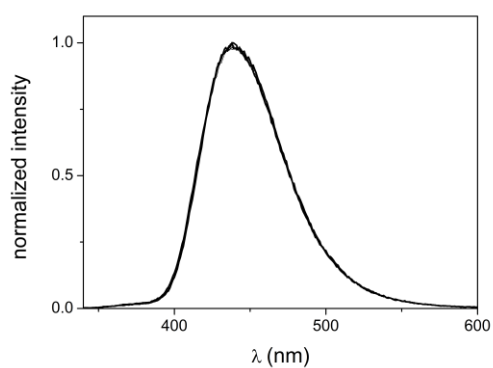


Figure S7. Effect of Ni^{2+} concentration (1.5×10^{-6} to 2.9×10^{-5} mol L^{-1}) on the fluorescence emission profile of **1** in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (95/5, v/v).

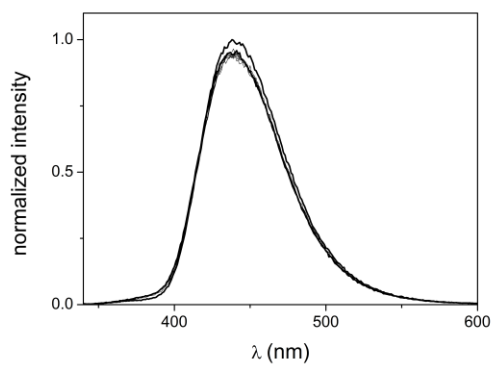


Figure S8. Effect of Zn^{2+} concentration (1.2×10^{-6} to 2.4×10^{-5} mol L^{-1}) on the fluorescence emission profile of **1** in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (95/5, v/v).

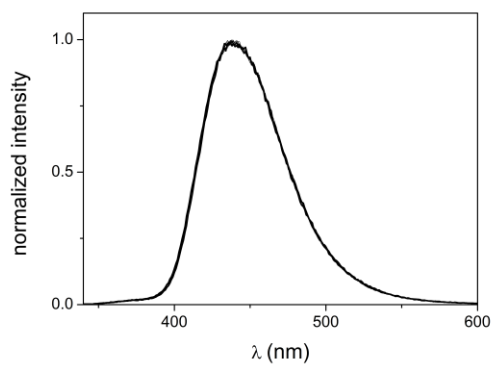
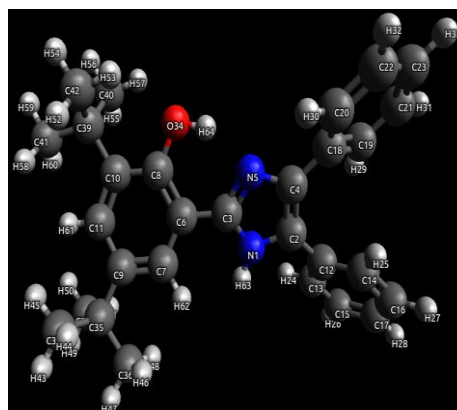
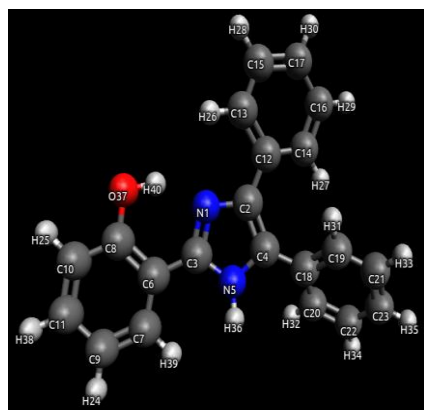


Figure S9. Effect of Ba^{2+} concentration (1.3×10^{-6} to 2.6×10^{-5} mol L^{-1}) on the fluorescence emission profile of **1** in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (95/5, v/v).

Table S1. Molecular electrostatic potential map charges obtained through computational simulation for probes **1** and **2**



1			2		
Number	Atom	Charge	Number	Atom	Charge
1	N	-0.529195	1	N	-0.475304
2	C	0.176531	2	C	0.062890
3	C	0.465960	3	C	0.521581
4	C	0.005154	4	C	0.103866
5	N	-0.397905	5	N	-0.512104
6	C	-0.185771	6	C	-0.172940
7	C	-0.109137	7	C	-0.167874
8	C	0.400336	8	C	0.266302
9	C	-0.123126	9	C	0.000580
0	C	-0.191241	10	C	-0.117036
1	C	-0.047079	11	C	-0.202213
2	C	0.089210	12	C	0.152748
3	C	-0.136105	13	C	-0.167904
4	C	-0.074369	14	C	-0.060551
5	C	-0.070818	15	C	-0.062907
6	C	-0.080410	16	C	-0.073318
7	C	-0.080586	17	C	-0.104096
8	C	0.125860	18	C	0.155412
9	C	-0.044899	19	C	-0.081156
0	C	-0.148760	20	C	-0.121623
1	C	-0.059732	21	C	-0.082011
2	C	-0.059302	22	C	-0.071742
3	C	-0.101755	23	C	-0.095143
4	H	0.076873	24	H	0.099443
5	H	0.116977	25	H	0.014796
6	H	0.115200	26	H	0.084348
7	H	0.034571	27	H	0.088607
8	H	0.074224	28	H	0.084952
9	H	0.075657	29	H	0.027107
0	H	0.073157	30	H	0.085871
1	H	0.022952	31	H	0.081755
2	H	0.095694	32	H	0.079476
3	H	0.080920	33	H	0.076346
4	H	0.078863	34	O	-0.439655

Table S1. Molecular electrostatic potential map charges obtained through computational simulation for probes **1** and **2** (cont.)

1			2		
Number	Atom	Charge	Number	Atom	Charge
5	H	0.083644	35	C	0.404983
6	H	0.288805	36	C	-0.202886
7	O	-0.564251	37	C	-0.252938
8	H	0.074675	38	C	-0.159471
9	H	0.093715	39	C	0.497443
0	H	0.355465	40	C	-0.164468
			41	C	-0.287295
			42	C	-0.136008
			43	H	0.029973
			44	H	0.011952
			45	H	0.019568
			46	H	0.026246
			47	H	0.038999
			48	H	0.035237
			49	H	0.059290
			50	H	0.040480
			51	H	0.026212
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			53	H	0.020274
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			63	H	0.310155
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