

Supporting Information for

**An excited-state intramolecular proton transfer - based probe for
discrimination of thiophenols over aliphatic thiols**

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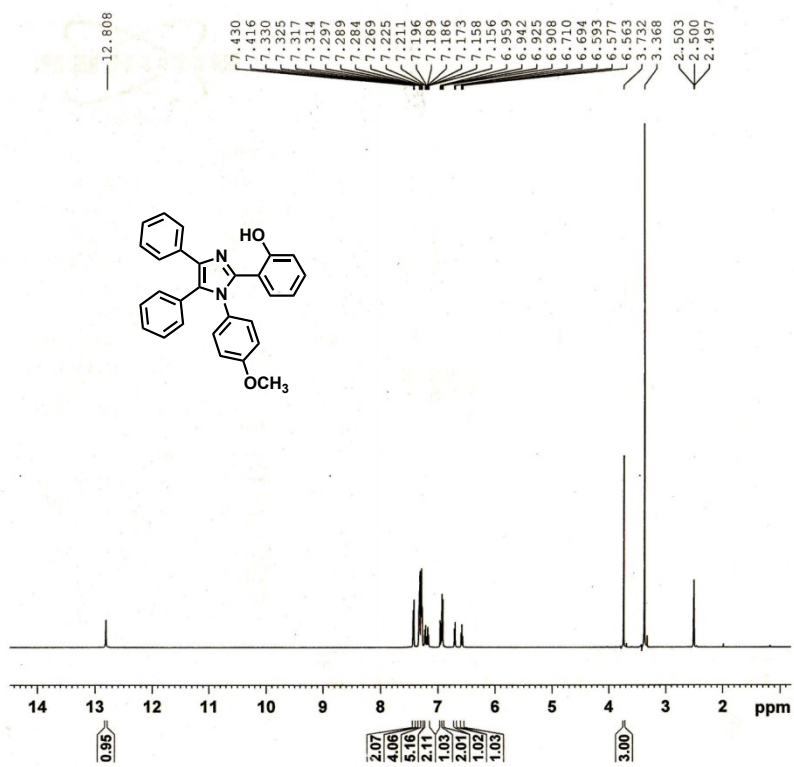


Fig. S1. ¹H NMR spectra of compound **DIP** in DMSO-*d*₆

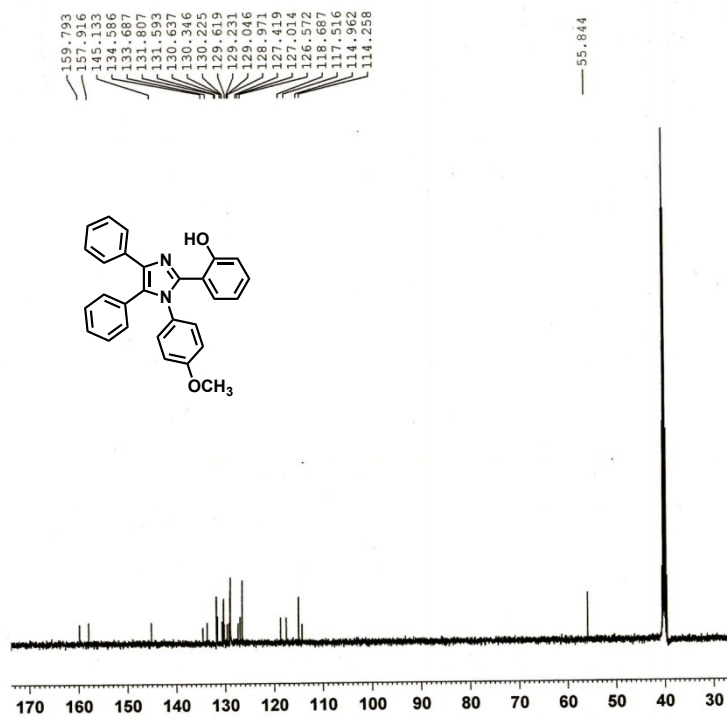


Fig. S2. ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **DIP** in DMSO-*d*₆

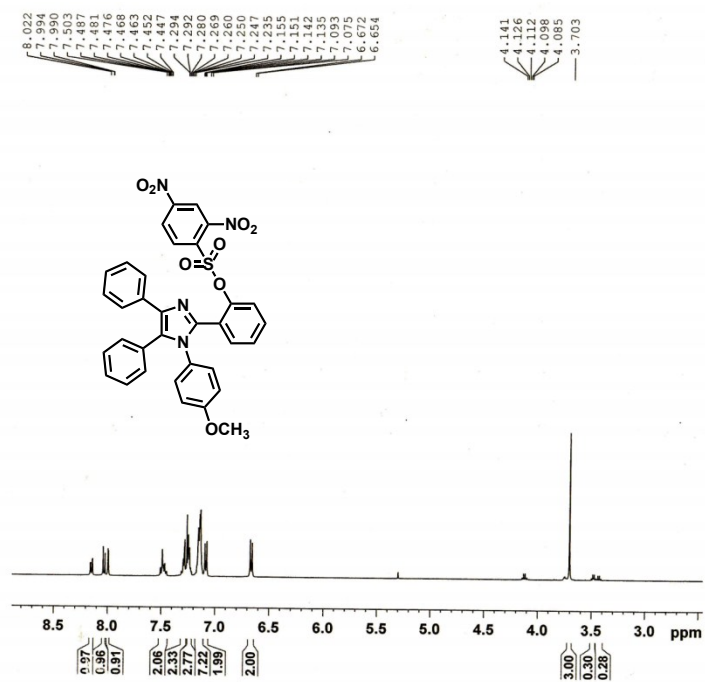


Fig. S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of DIPD in CDCl₃

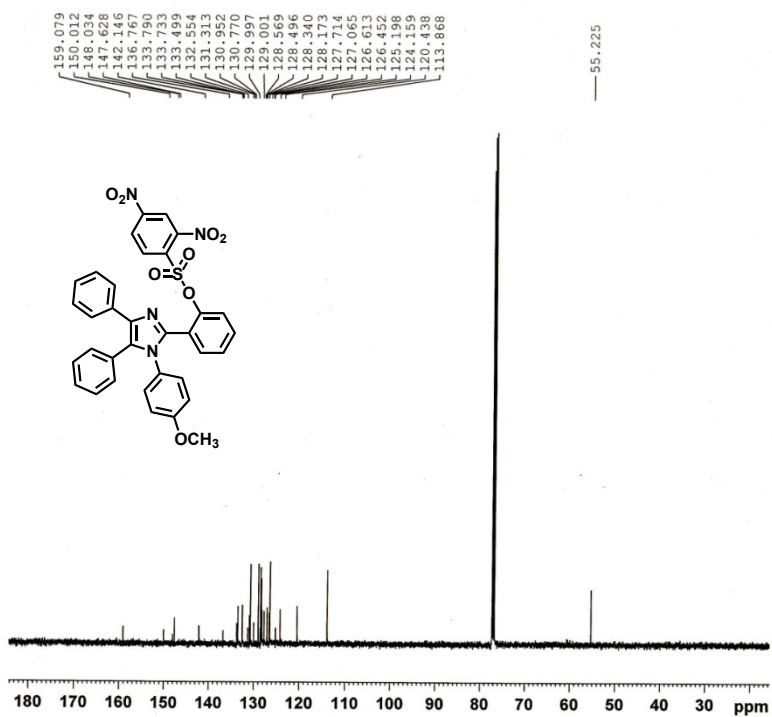


Fig. S4. ¹³C NMR spectrum of DIPD in CDCl₃

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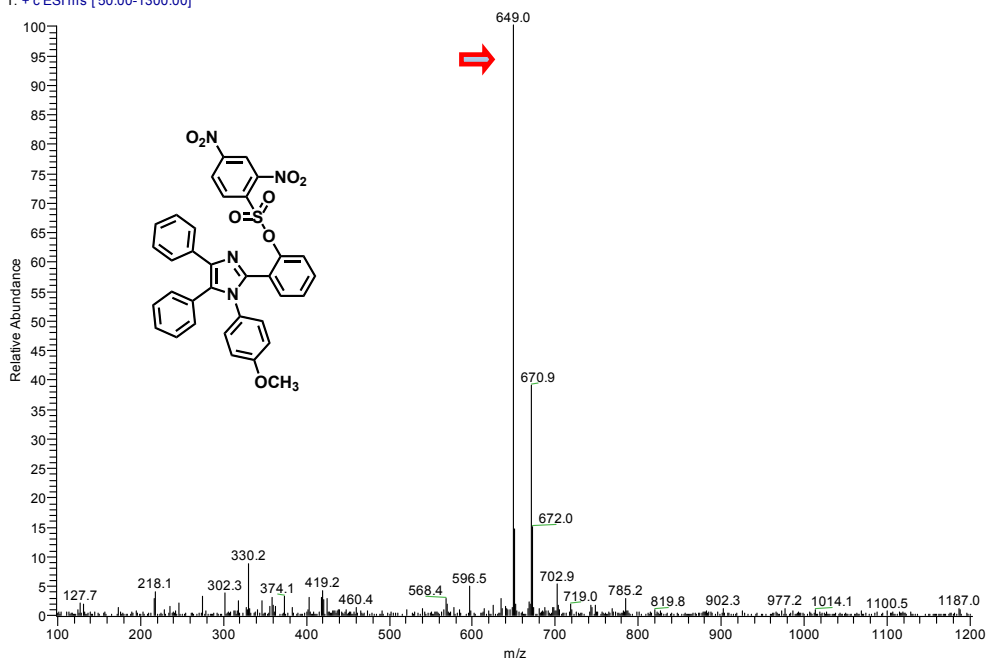


Fig. S5 ESI-MS spectrum of compound DIPD

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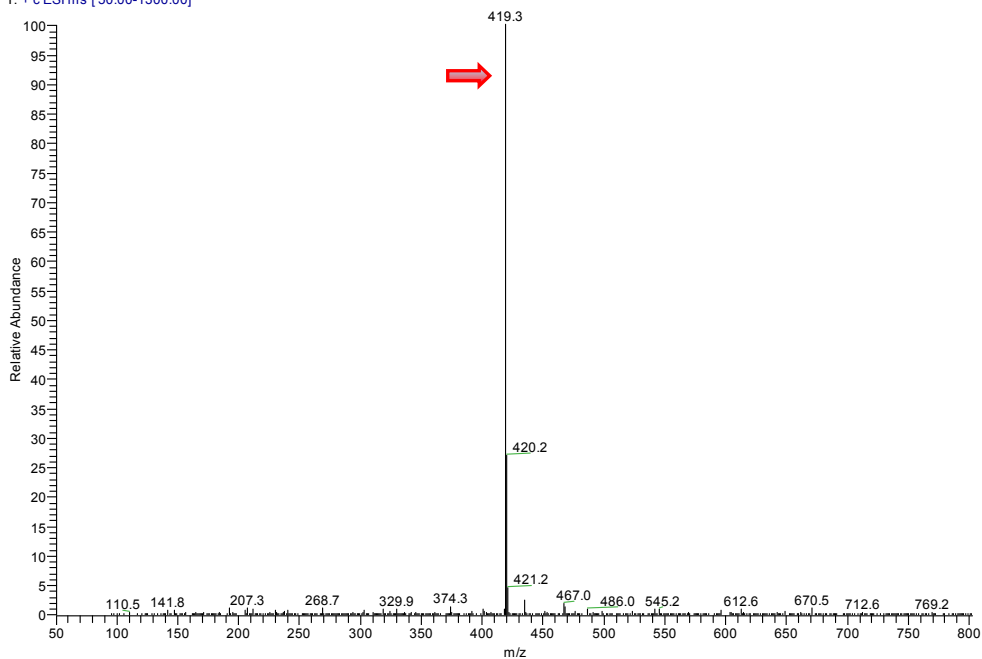


Fig. S6 ESI-MS spectrum of probe + PhSH

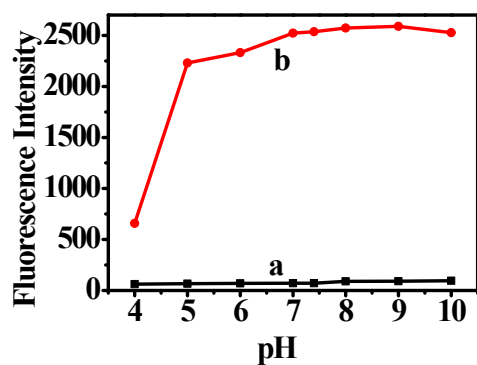


Fig. S7. Fluorescence intensity of probe **DIPD** (10 $\mu\text{mol/L}$) before (a) and after (b) addition of PhSH (10 $\mu\text{mol/L}$) in 10 mM PBS buffer of different pH containing 50 percent acetonitrile $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 290 \text{ nm}$, $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 460 \text{ nm}$. Slit: 2.5, 2.5 nm.

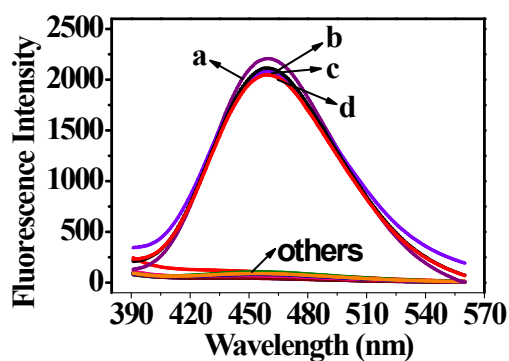


Fig. S8. Fluorescence responses of probe **DIPD** (10 $\mu\text{mol/L}$) toward thiophenos (6 $\mu\text{mol/L}$) and other substances (60 $\mu\text{mol/L}$) in 10 mM PBS buffer at room temperature. The fluorescence intensity at $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 460 \text{ nm}$ was plotted versus substances: (a) probe + *p*-Toluenethiol, (b) probe + 2-aminobenzenethiol, (c) probe + PhSH, (d) probe + 4-chlorothiophenol and probe + others (NaN_3 , KI, PhOH, PhNH_2 , Ala, Pro, Arg, GSH, Hcy, Cys, $\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{10}\text{CH}_2\text{SH}$).