

## Electronic Supporting Information

### **Structure property studies revealed a new indoylfuranone based bifunctional chemosensor for Cu<sup>2+</sup> and Al<sup>3+</sup>**

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### Spectral Data

#### 2-(tert-butylamino)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)furo[3,2-c]quinolin-4-ol (compound A)

Yield: 85% ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.60 (s, 9H), 3.93 (br s, 1H), 7.53 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 6.0 & 1.3 Hz), 7.56-7.65 (m, 4H), 7.68-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.92 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 5.9 & 1.3 Hz), 8.16 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 5.9 & 1.3 Hz), 8.93 (s, 1H), 9.71 (s, 1H). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 394.1532, found: 394.1528.

#### 2-(cyclohexylamino)-1-(1H-indol-3-yl)-11H-benzo[h]furo[3,2-c]chromen-11-one (compound B)

Yield: 87% ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.30-1.39 (m, 3H), 1.44 (sex, 2H,  $J$  = 2.4 Hz), 1.62-1.70 (m, 3H), 2.05 (sex, 2H,  $J$  = 2.5 Hz), 3.14 (quin, 1H,  $J$  = 2.3 Hz), 3.93 (br s, 1H), 7.20-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.43 (m, 3H), 7.53-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.68 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz), 7.73 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 3.4 & 1.1 Hz), 7.88 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 4.8 & 1.8 Hz), 8.05-8.10 (m, 1H), 8.93 (s, 1H). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 471.1685, found: 471.1676.

#### 2-(tert-butylamino)-1-(1H-indol-3-yl)-11H-benzo[h]furo[3,2-c]chromen-11-one (compound C)

Yield: 85% ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.11 (s, 9H), 3.92 (br s, 1H), 6.54 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 6.2 & 1.1 Hz), 6.68 (s, 1H), 7.08 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 6.0 & 1.1 Hz), 7.14-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.32 (dd, 1H,  $J$  = 6.0 & 1.1 Hz), 7.44 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 6.0 Hz), 7.49 (td, 1H,  $J$  = 3.6 & 1.2 Hz), 7.81-7.87 (m, 1H), 9.37 (s, 1H). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 445.1528, found: 445.1518.

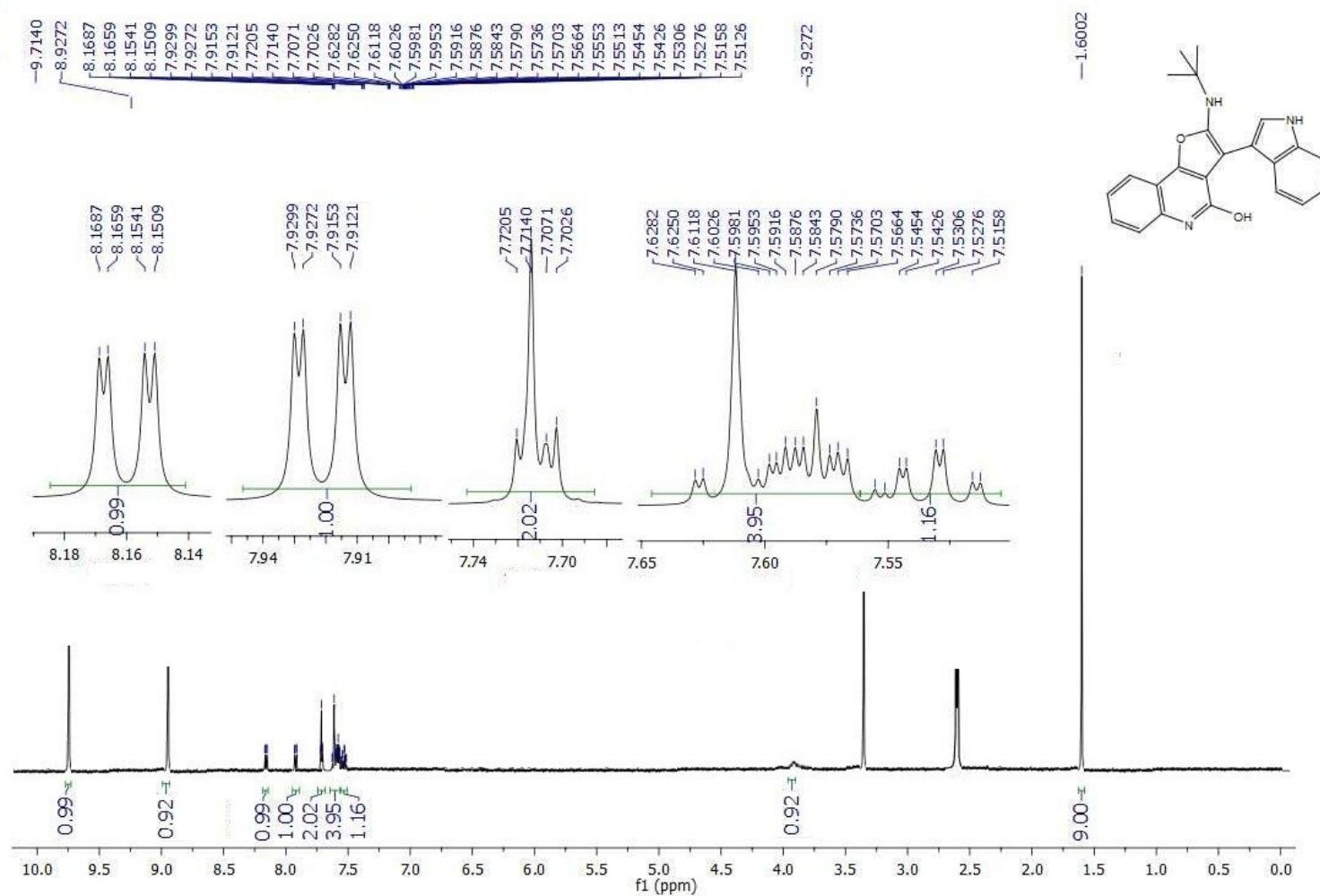
**2-(tert-butylamino)-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)naphtho[2,3-b]furan-4,9-dione (compound D)**

Yield: 81%;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  (ppm) 1.08 (s, 9H), 3.92 (br s, 1H), 6.74 (td, 1H,  $J = 6.0 \text{ & } 1.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 6.81 (s, 1H), 7.29 (td, 1H,  $J = 6.0 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.33 (dd, 1H,  $J = 5.8 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.39 (td, 1H,  $J = 5.9 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.44 (td, 1H,  $J = 5.9 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.68 (dd, 1H,  $J = 6.0 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.78 (dd, 1H,  $J = 6.0 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.86 (dd, 1H,  $J = 5.9 \text{ & } 1.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 9.33 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR: (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  (ppm) 29.7, 53.6, 98.1, 112.4, 121.8, 123.3, 124.8, 126.6, 126.9, 128.5, 132.3, 133.1, 133.8, 135.1, 138.1, 153.6, 172.9, 176.2, 182.1. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd. for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$  [M+Na] $^+$ : 407.1372, found: 407.1368.

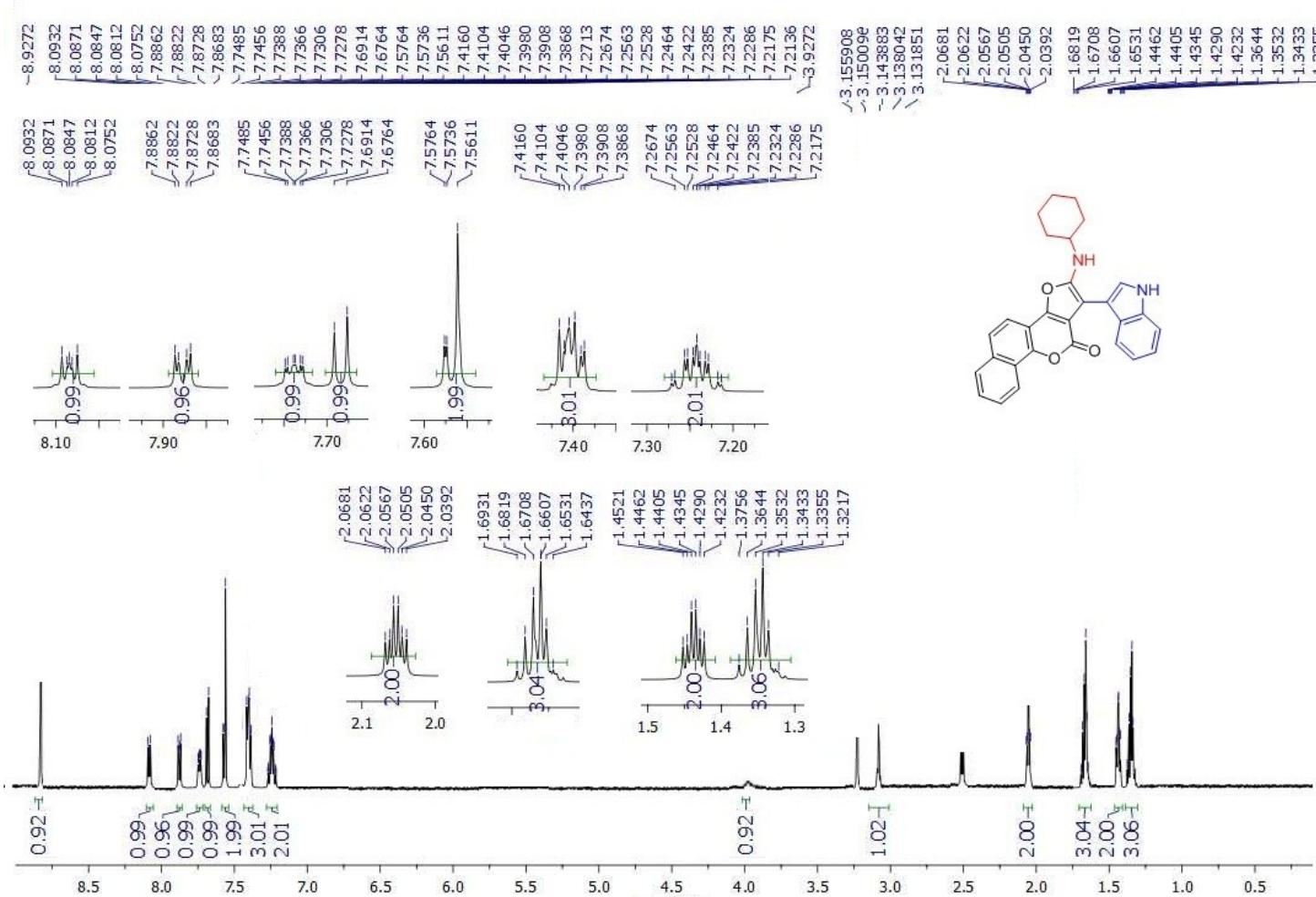
# Compound **X**, **Y** and **Z** were synthesized according to literature described methods (1, 2 and 3 respectively).

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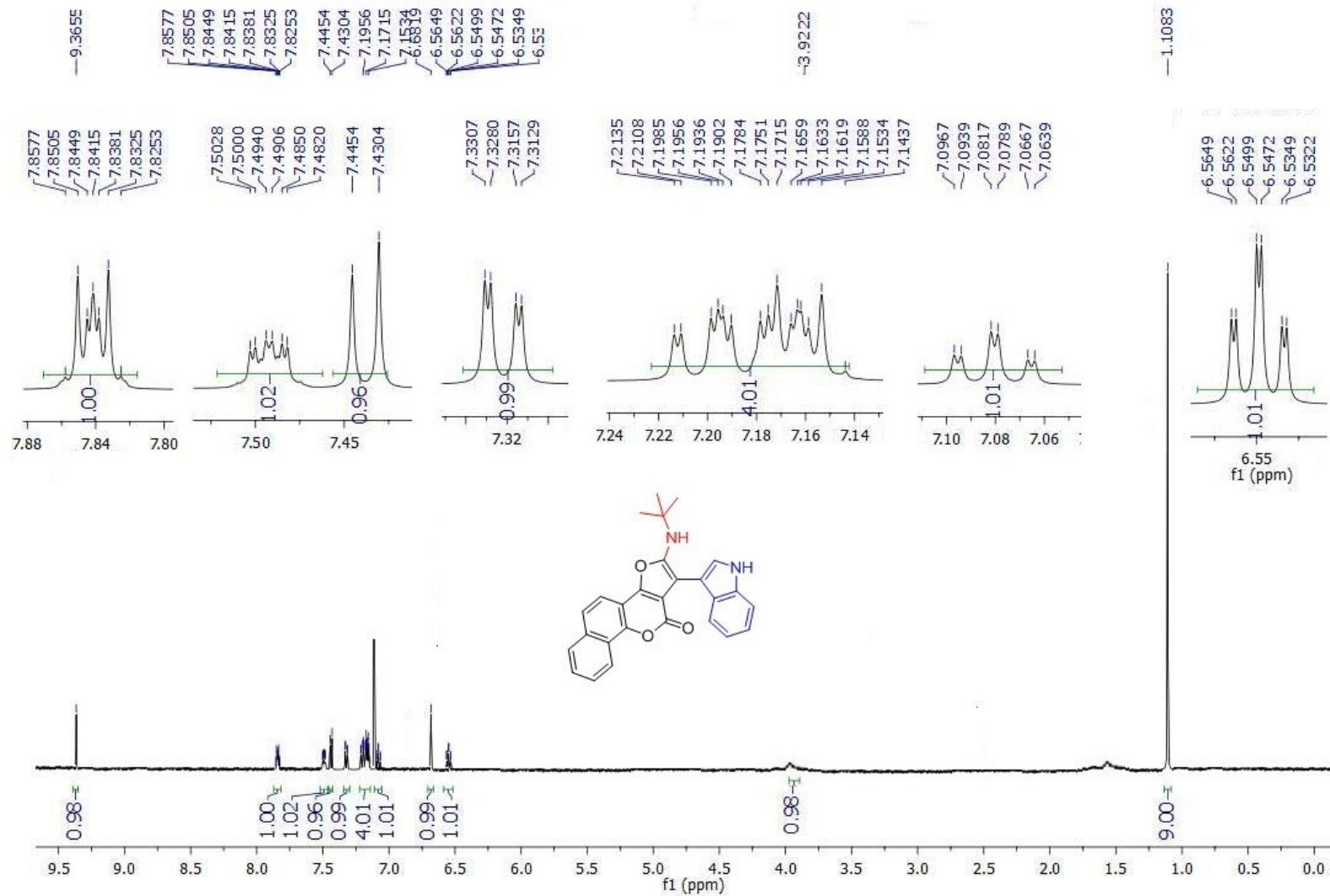
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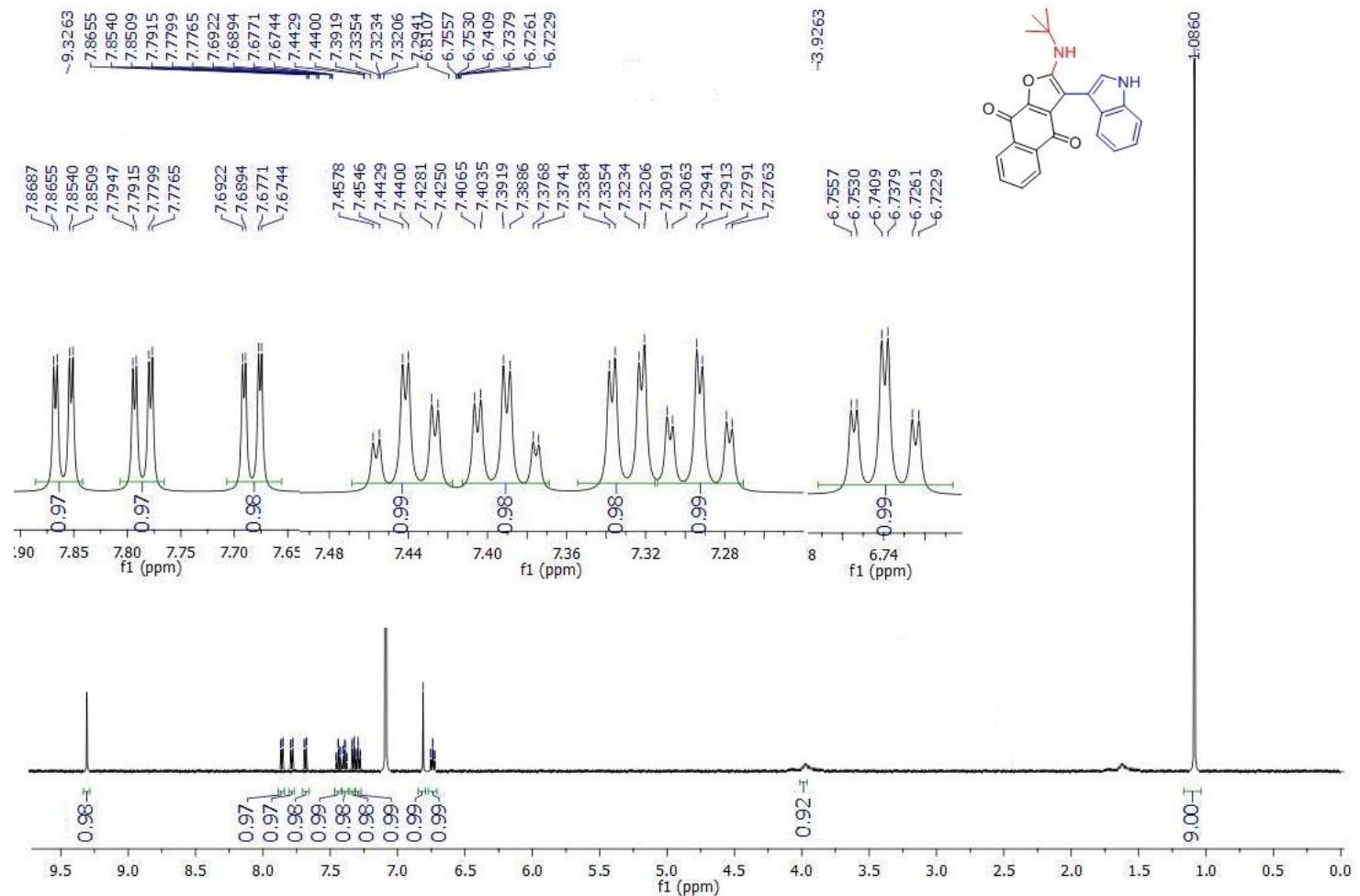
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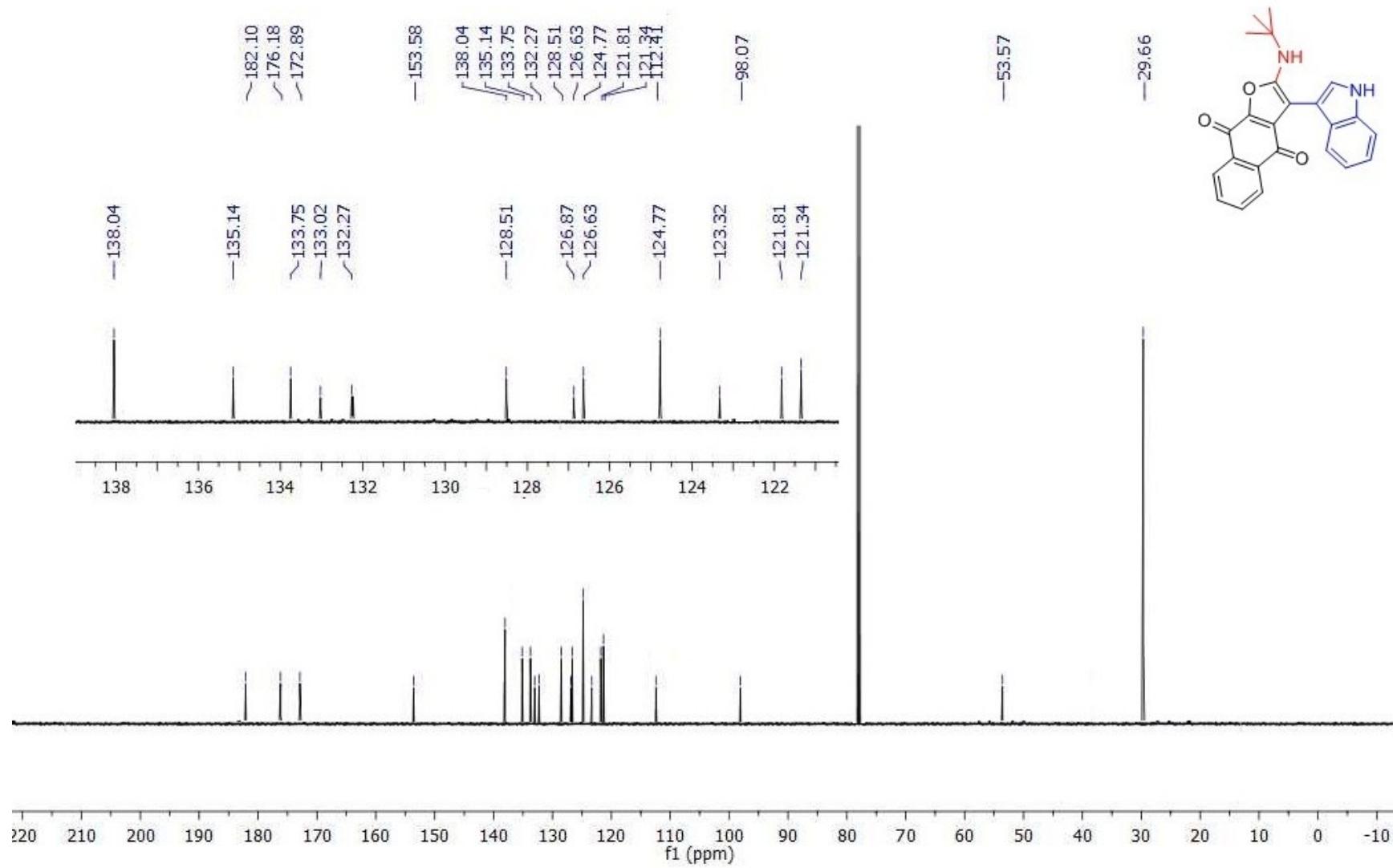
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra of compound D



<sup>13</sup>CNMR Spectra of compound D

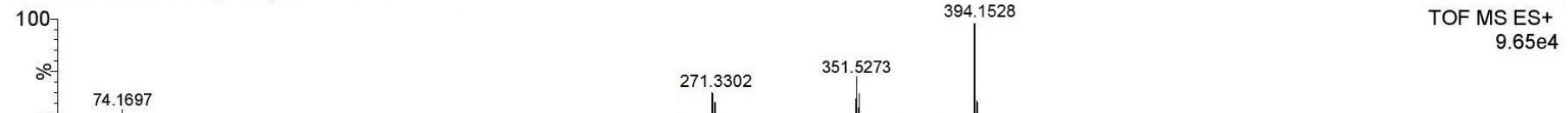


## HRMSof compounds A to D

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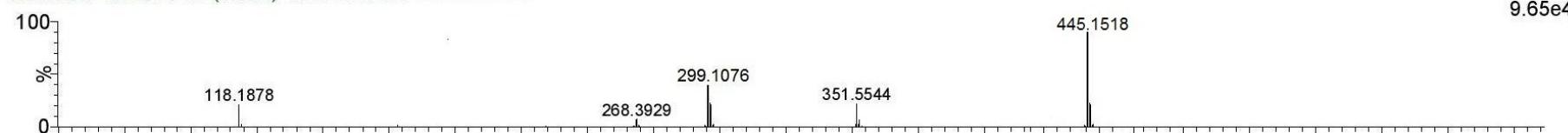
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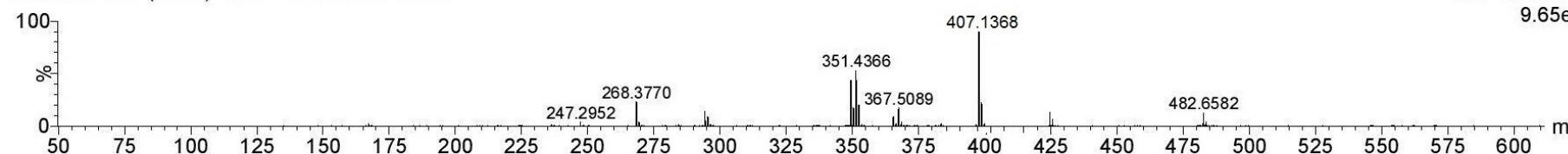
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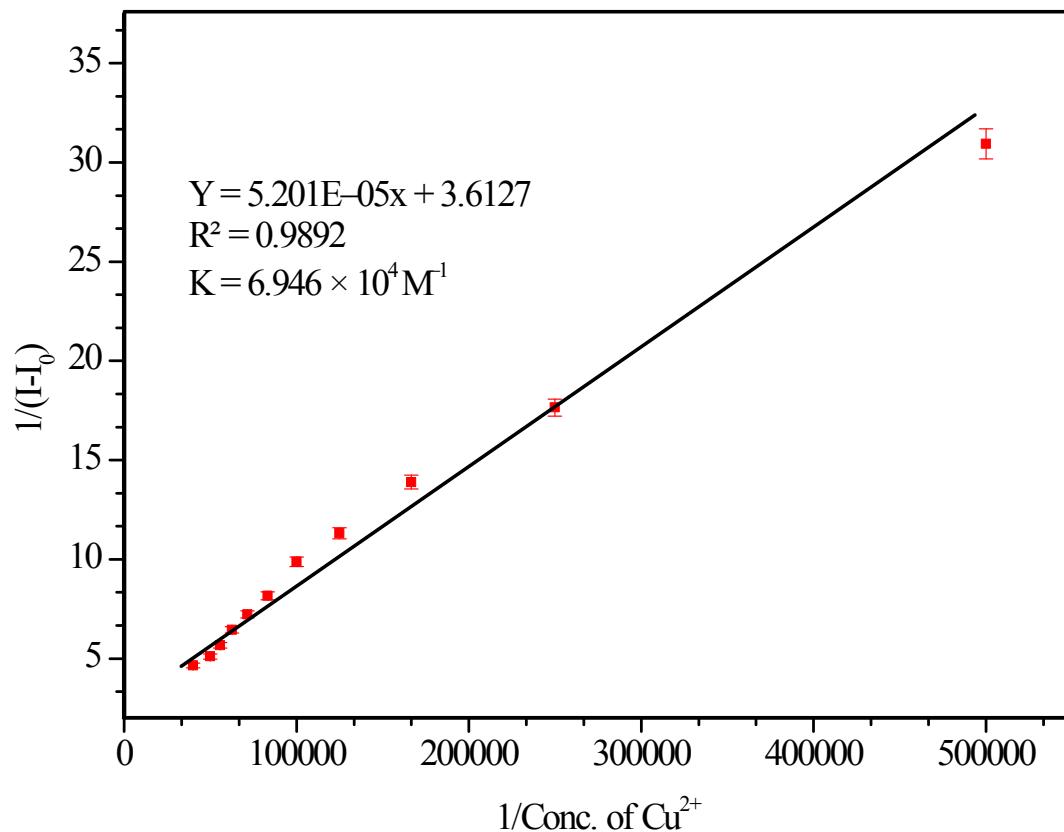


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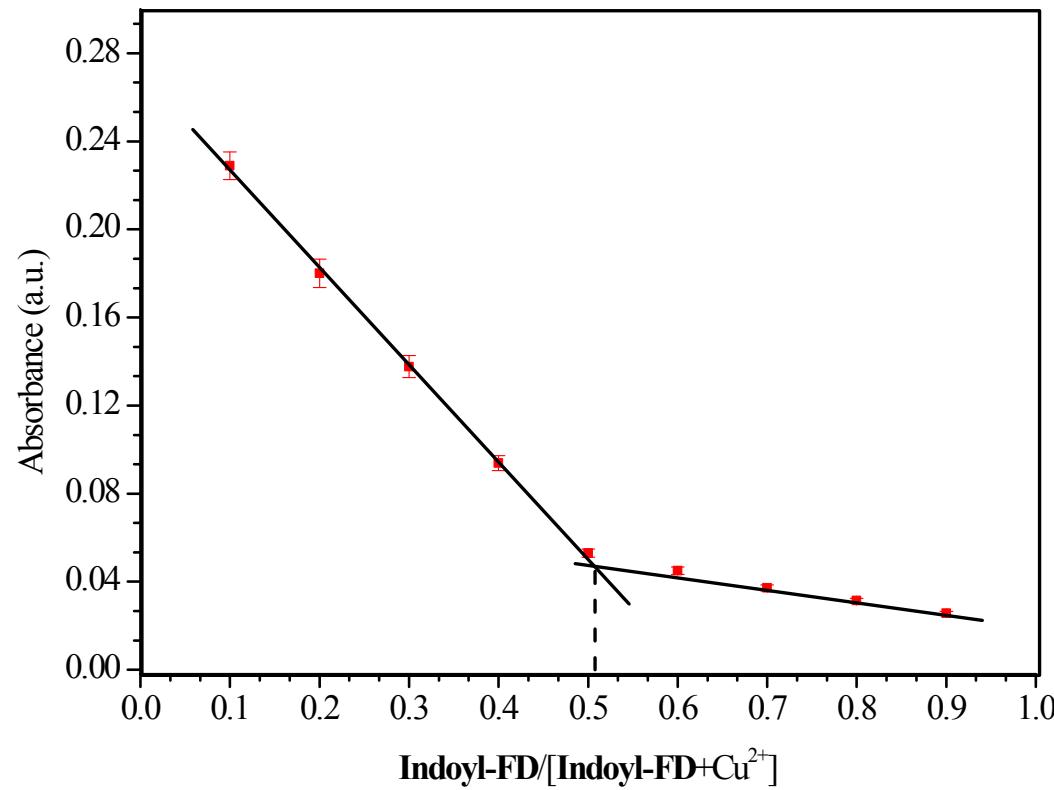


**Figure SS1** Benesi-Hilderbrand plots between  $1/I - I_0$  (at 574 nm) and  $1/[Cu^{2+}]$ .

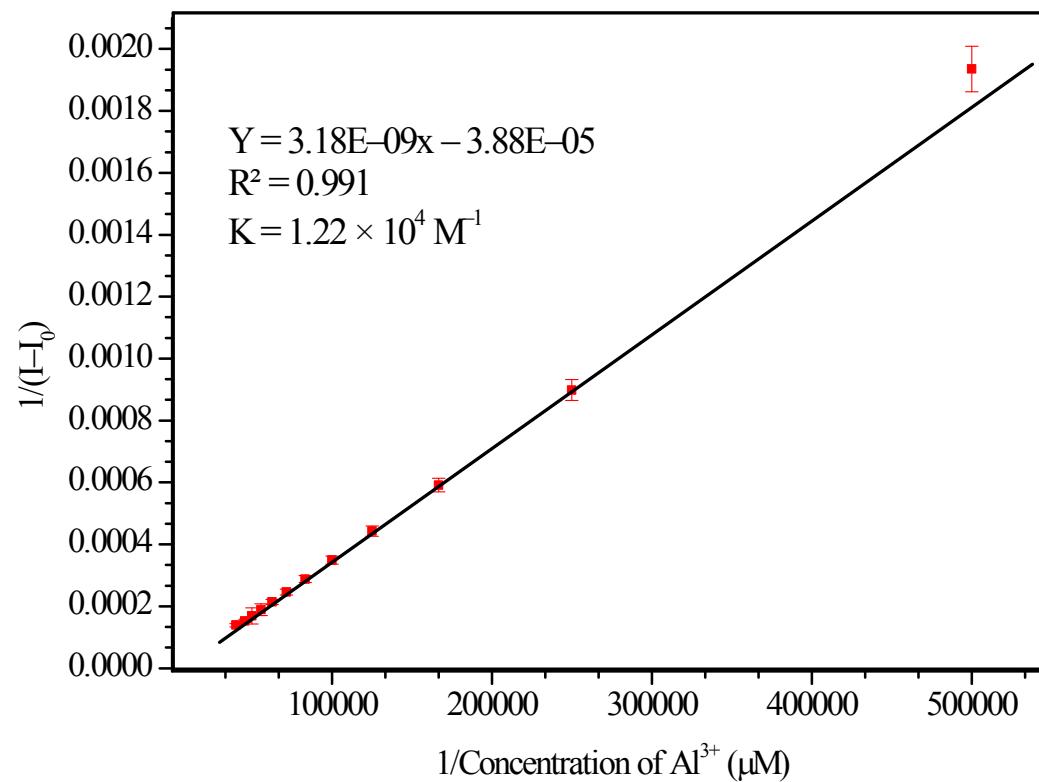


**Figure SS2** Job's plot (absorption) of probe **D** with Cu<sup>2+</sup> in (MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 2/8, v/v).

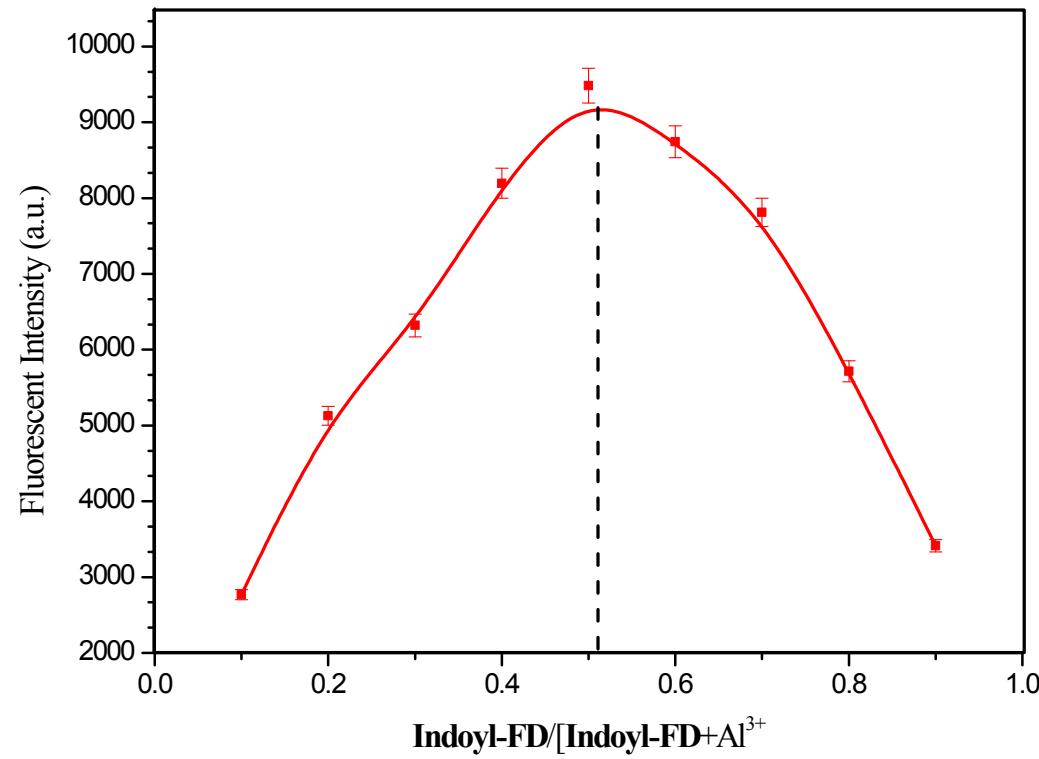
(Total concentration of probe and metal was kept constant at the level of 20 μM).



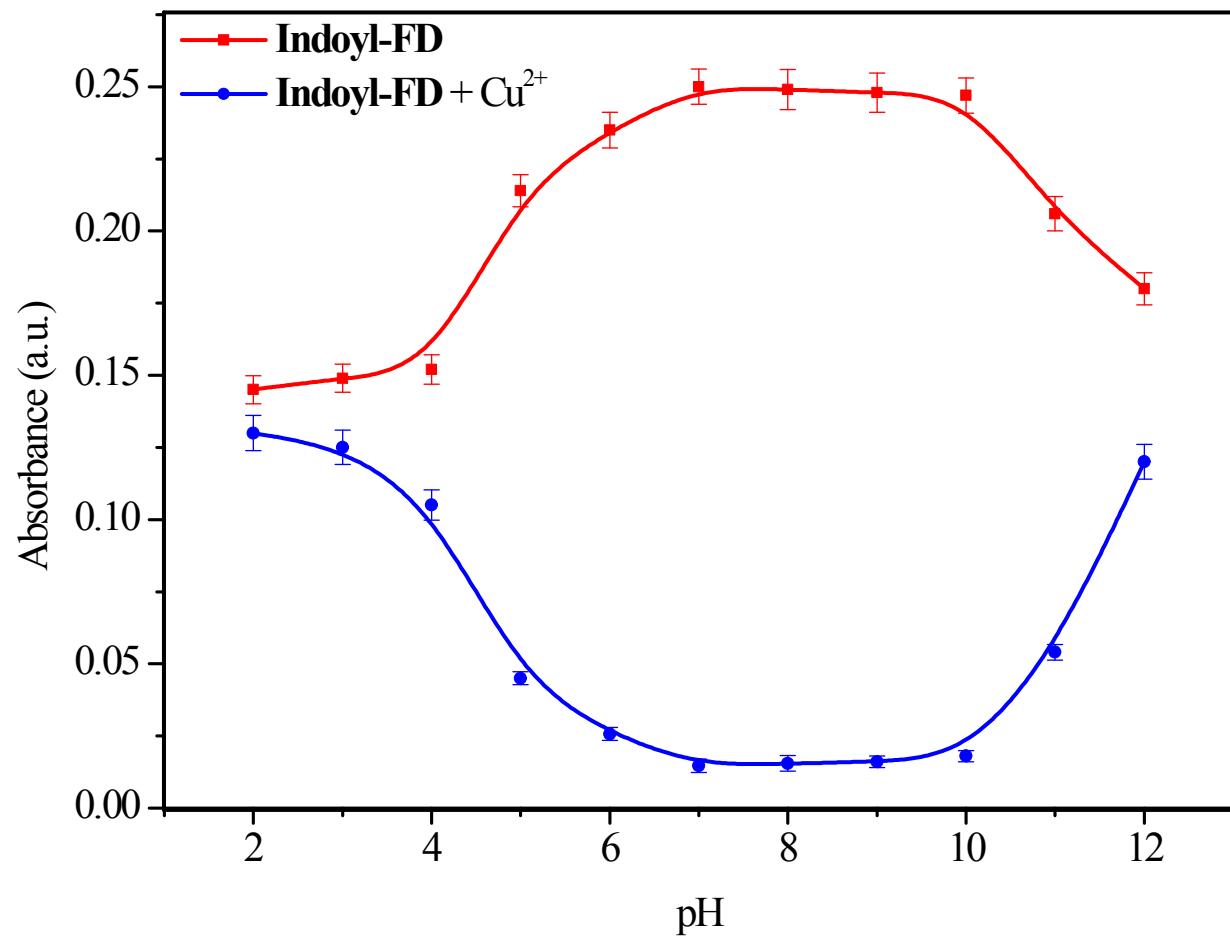
**Figure SS3** Benesi-Hilderbrand plots between  $1/I - I_0$  (at 598 nm) and  $1/[Al^{3+}]$ .



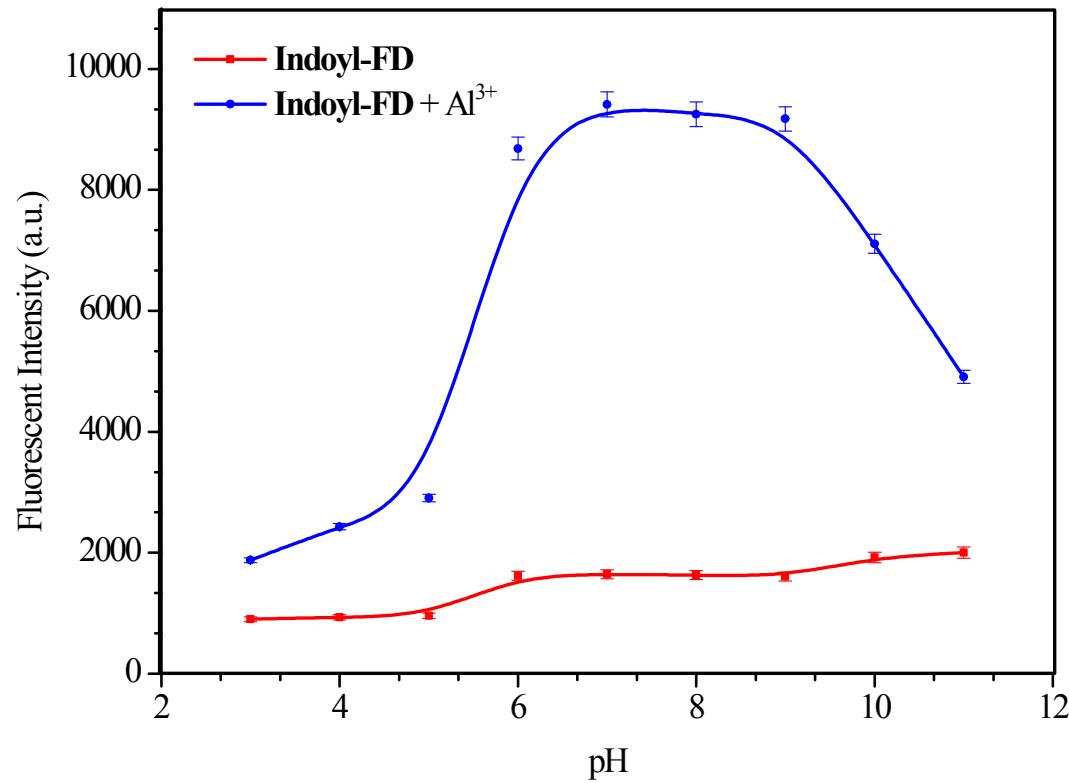
**Figure SS4** Job's plot (emission) of probe **D** with  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  in ( $\text{MeOH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 2/8, v/v).  
(Total concentration of probe and metal is kept constant at the level of 20  $\mu\text{M}$ ).



**Figure SS5** Dependence of fluorescence response of furandione D–Cu<sup>2+</sup> over pH of the medium (MeOH/Water, 2/8, v/v) was used as a solvent.

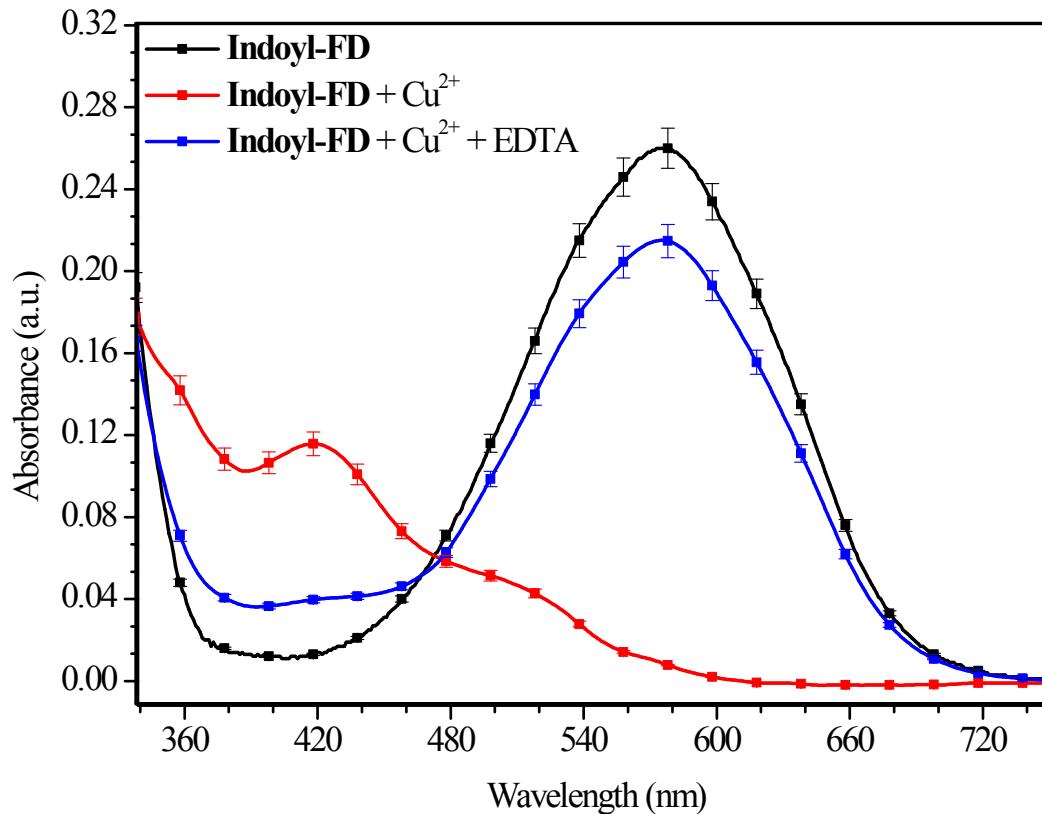


**Figure SS6** Dependence of fluorescence response of furandione **D**–Al<sup>3+</sup> over pH of the medium (MeOH/Water, 2/8, v/v) was used as a solvent.



**Figure SS7** Reversibility and reusability test of furandione **D**-Cu<sup>2+</sup> in the presence of EDTA.

Compound **D**(20  $\mu$ M in MeOH) with equimolar concentration of EDTA and Cu<sup>2+</sup>.



**Figure SS8** Reversibility and reusability test of furandione **D-Al<sup>3+</sup>** in the presence of EDTA.  
Compound **D**(20  $\mu$ M in MeOH) with equimolar concentration of EDTA and Al<sup>3+</sup>.

