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Supporting information



Figure S1: Kinetics study of the complex: [PSSA] = 5 μ M with [Al(III)] = 30 μ M (pink curve) and [Al(III)] = 150 μ M (blue curve) in HEPES (pH 7, 10 mM); λ exc. = 390 nm; λ obs. = 511 nm



Figure S2 ; Aluminum titration experiments in aqueous HEPES buffer (pH = 7, 10 mM) in function of time for several Al(III) concentration in microfluidic setup functioning in droplet (water-in-oil) regime(λ_{exc} = 365 nm, λ_{em} > 416 nm) [PSSA]= 5 μ M



Compound 2:

¹H NMR (D₂O, 400 MHz): δ = 9.77 (s, 1 H, CHO), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.18 (s, 1 H, Ar-H), 4.12 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 3.02 – 3.06 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.16 – 2.20 (m, 2 H, CH₂) ppm. ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 100 MHz): δ = 188.9, 165.3, 118.9, 104.6, 101.8, 66.1, 48.2, 25.3 ppm. HRMS (TOF MS ESI): Calc. for C₁₀H₁₁O₆S⁻ (m/z): [M-Na]⁻ = 259.0276; Found: [M-Na]⁻ = 259.0280





PSSA:

¹H NMR (D₂O, 400 MHz): δ = 8.77 (s, 2 H, CHN), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 6.27 (s, 2 H, Ar-H), 4.09 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 4 H, CH₂), 3.02 – 3.06 (m, 4 H, CH₂), 2.14 – 2.18 (m, 4 H, CH₂) ppm. ¹³C NMR (D₂O, 100 MHz): δ = 163.1, 159.5, 114.4, 104.2, 66.1, 47.8, 24.2 ppm. HRMS (TOF MS ESI): Calc. for C₂₀H₂₂N₂O₁₀NaS₂⁻ (m/z): [M-Na]⁻ = 537.0614; Found: [M-Na]⁻ = 537.0608



Elemental Composition Report

Single Mass Analysis Tolerance = 5.0 PPM / DBE: min = -1.5, max = 100.0 Element prediction: Off Number of isotope peaks used for i-FIT = 9

 Monoisotopic Mass, Even Electron Ions

 336 formula(e) evaluated with 2 results within limits (all results (up to 1000) for each mass)

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 H: 0-110

 No: 0-5
 O: 0-10

 Na: 1-1
 S: 2-2

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