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A Dual Colorimetric Chemosensor for Hg(II) and Cyanide ions in Aqueous Media based on Nitrobenzoxadiazole (NBD)-Antipyrine Conjugate with INHIBIT logic gate behaviour

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Fig. S1.¹H- NMR spectrum of sensor 1 in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K



Fig. S3. ESI-MS spectrum of Probe 1 in positive ion mode.



Fig. S4. The colour change of probe 1 (2 mL, 1×10^{-5} M) after the addition of various metal ions and anions (50 µL, 1×10^{-3} M) in aqueous methanol medium (1:1, v/v) observed by naked eyes.



Fig. S5a. Job's plot; mole fraction of sensor 1 vs change in absorbance during Hg²⁺ addition.



Fig.S5b. ESI-MS spectrum of probe 1 with Hg^{2+} ion positive ion mode.



Fig.S6a. Binding constants of binding of probe 1 with Hg^{2+} ion.



Fig. S6b. Change in absorbance of sensor 1 with different concentrations of Hg^{2+} in aqueous methanol solution.



Fig. S7. Bar chart illustrates the absorbance changes (abs 510 nm) of probe **1** (2 mL, 1×10^{-5} M) with Hg²⁺ (50 µL, 1×10^{-3} M) ion in the presence of other metal ions (50 µL, 1×10^{-3} M) in aqueous methanol medium (1:1, v/v).



Fig.S8. Fluorescence spectra of probe 1 (2 mL, 1×10^{-5} M) with metal ions in CH₃OH:H₂O (1:1, v/v) excited at 450 nm.



Fig. S9a. Job's plot: the mole fraction of sensor 1 *vs* change in absorbance during CN⁻ ions addition.



Fig. S9b. ESI-MS spectrum of sensor 1 with CN-ions in negative ion mode.



Fig.S10a. Binding constant of binding of probe 1 with CN⁻ ion.



Fig. S10b. The plot of absorbance changes of sensor 1 during the addition of CN^{-} ions in aqueous methanol solution.



Fig. S11. Bar chart illustrates the absorbance changes (abs 485nm) of probe **1** (2 mL, 1×10^{-5} M) with CN⁻ (50 µL, 1×10^{-3} M) ion in the presence of other anions (50 µL, 1×10^{-3} M) in aqueous methanol medium (1:1, v/v).



Fig. S12.¹H NMR spectrum of sensor 1 in DMSO-d₆ with the addition of CN⁻ions.