

## Supporting Information for

### Rational design of ortho-vinylhydropyridine-assisted amino-fluorophore as hypochlorite fluorescent probe

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## 1. Solvent effect of probe 1a

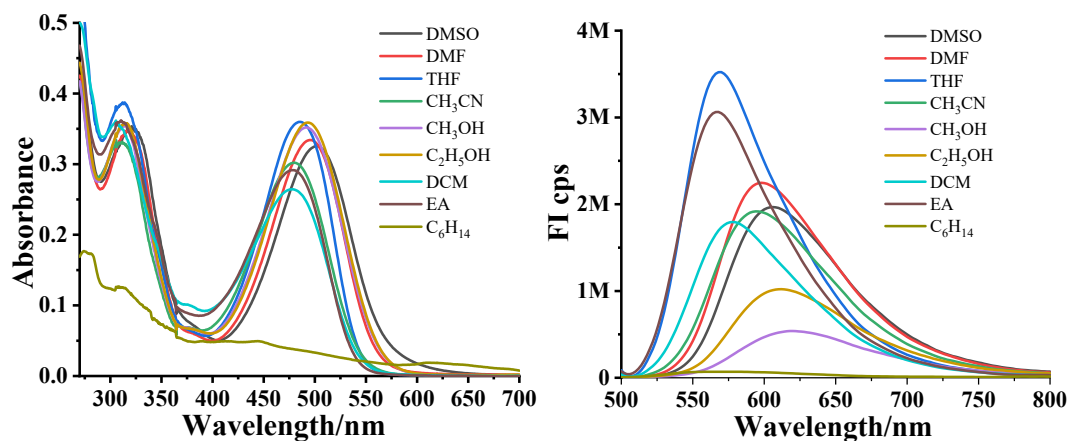


Figure S1 Absorption and emission spectral of probe 1a (20  $\mu\text{M}$ ) in different solvents.

## 2. Linear fluorescence response of sensor 1a to ClO<sup>-</sup>.

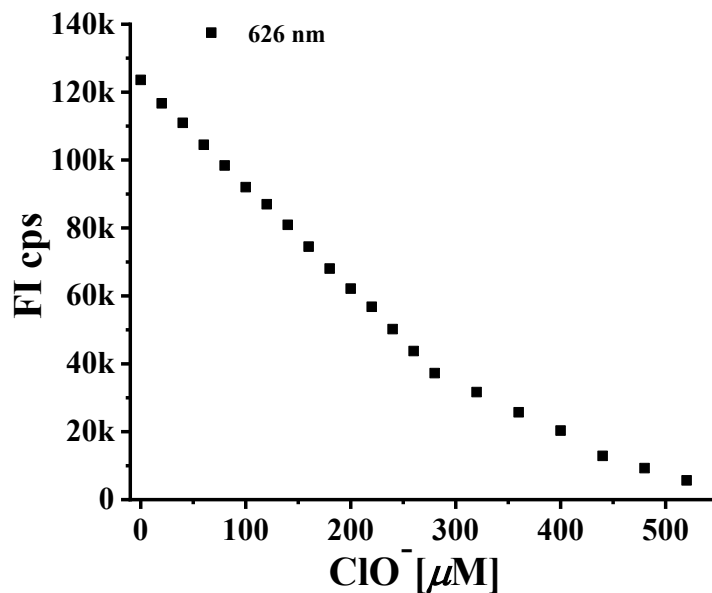


Figure S2 Fluorescence spectral changes of 1a (20  $\mu\text{M}$ ) ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 480 \text{ nm}$ ) upon the titration with ClO<sup>-</sup> (0 to 25.0 equiv.) in PBS buffer (pH 7.4, with 10% CH<sub>3</sub>CN, v/v).

### 3. LC-MS analysis of the probe 1a with NaClO

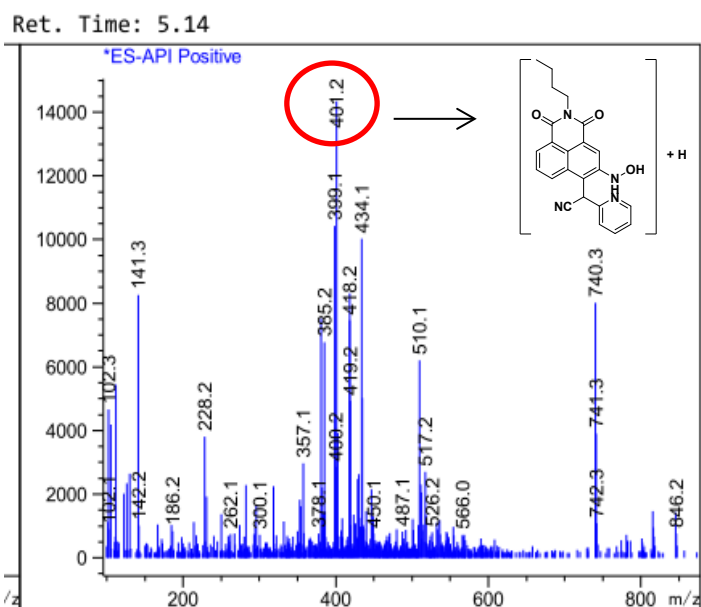
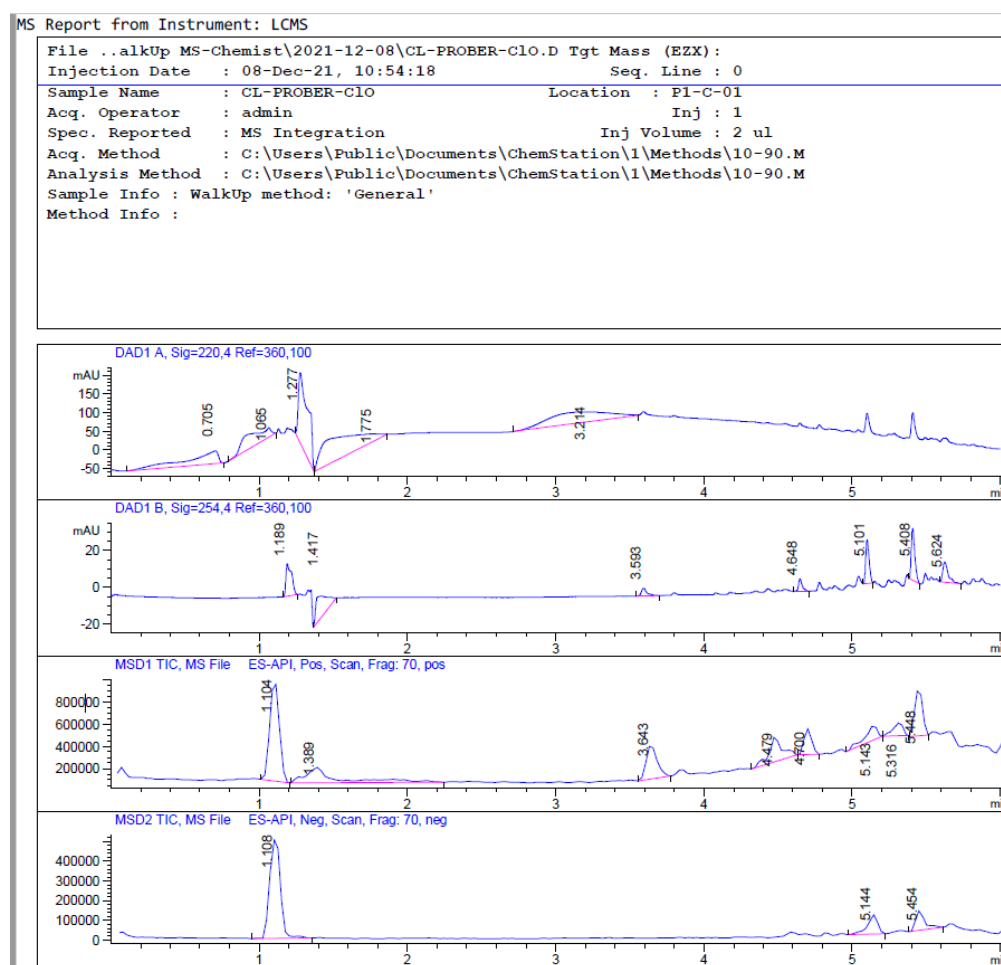
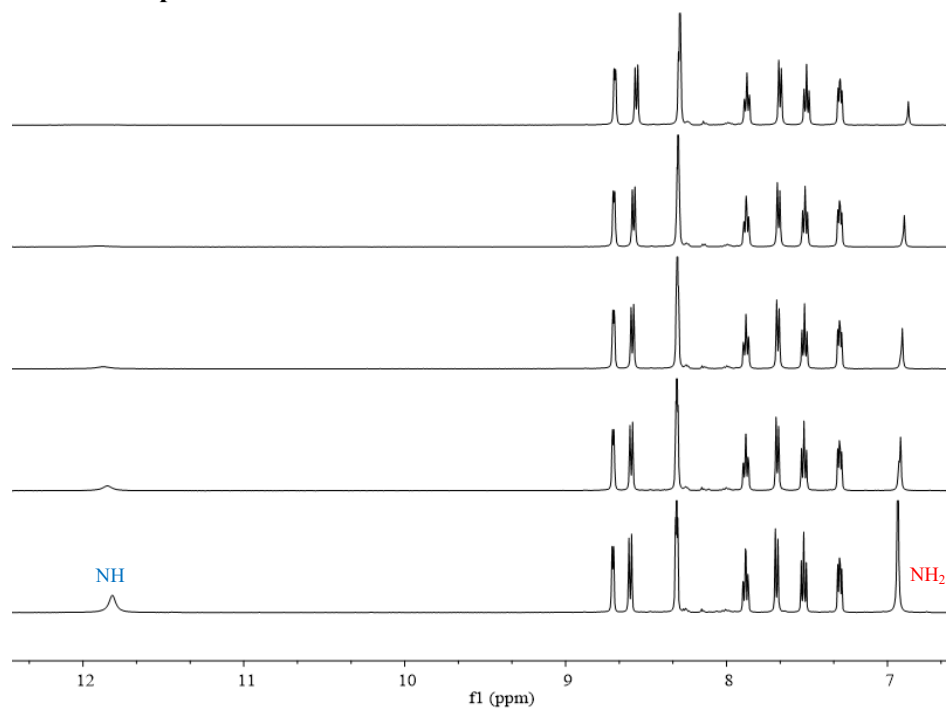


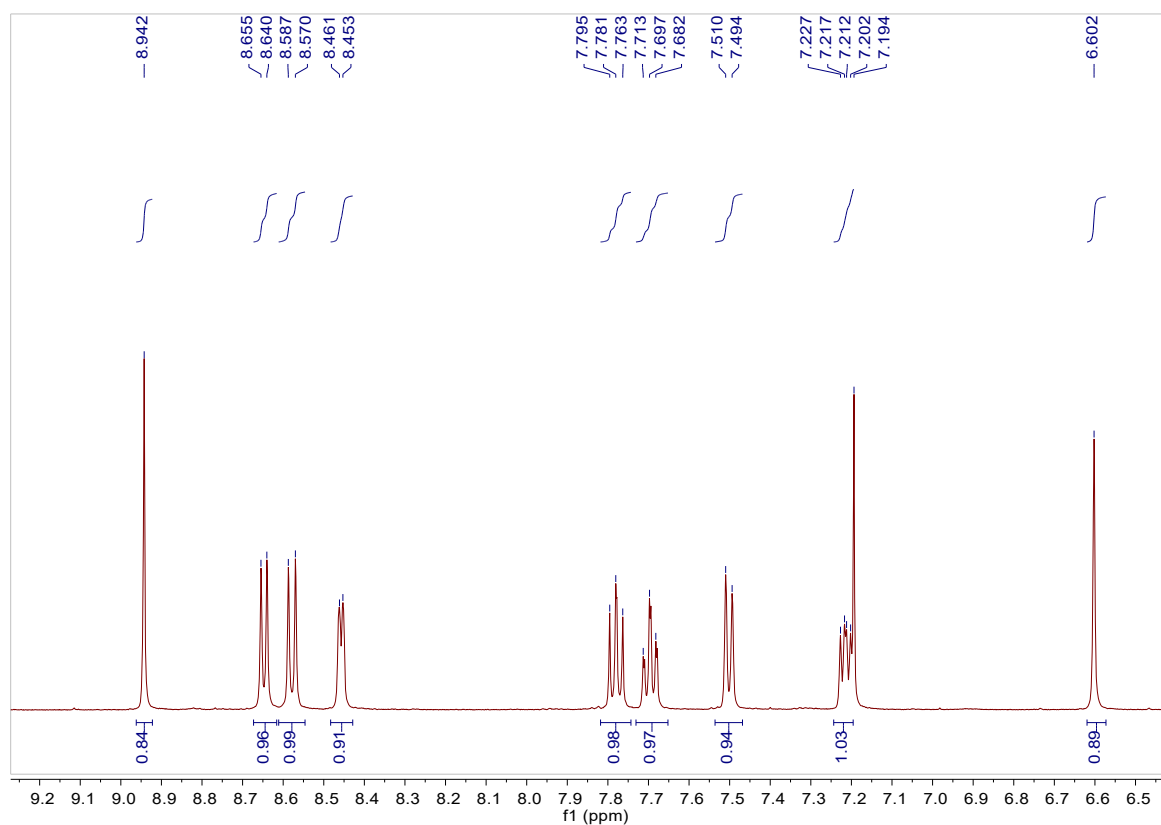
Figure S3 The LC-MS analysis of the probe 1a (20  $\mu$ M) with 25.0 equiv. NaClO in CH<sub>3</sub>CN

#### 4. NMR titration experiments of 1a with ClO<sup>-</sup>



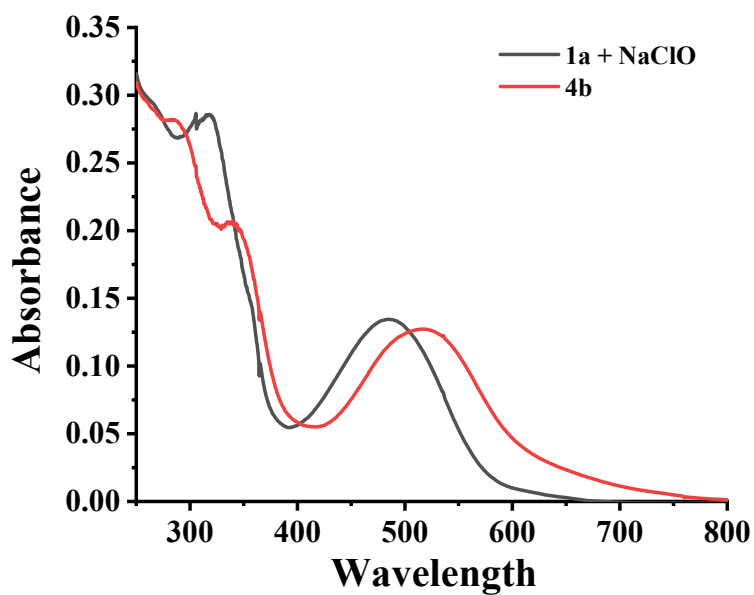
**Figure S4** The NMR titration of **1a** (30.0 mM) in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> with increasing concentration of ClO<sup>-</sup> (from bottom to top, 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6 and 1.0 equiv.)

#### 5. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compound 4b.



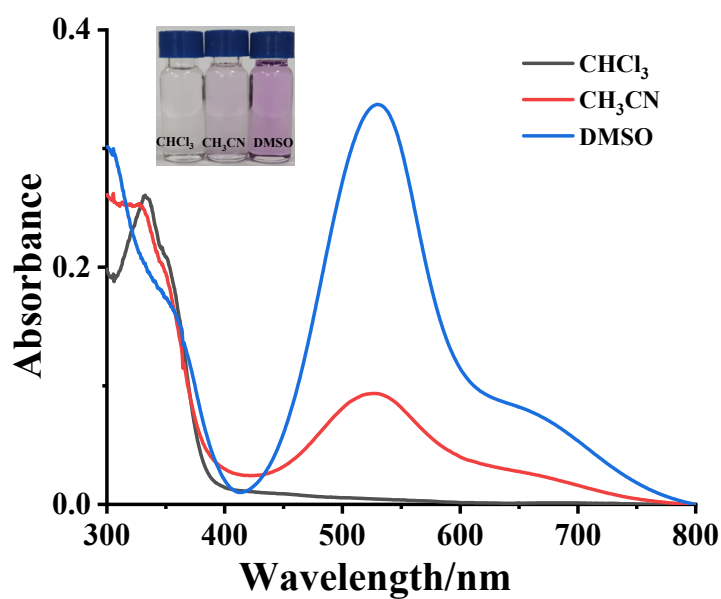
**Figure S5** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) spectra of compound **4b**.

## 6. Comparison of UV-vis spectra of 4b with the final state of 1a with NaClO



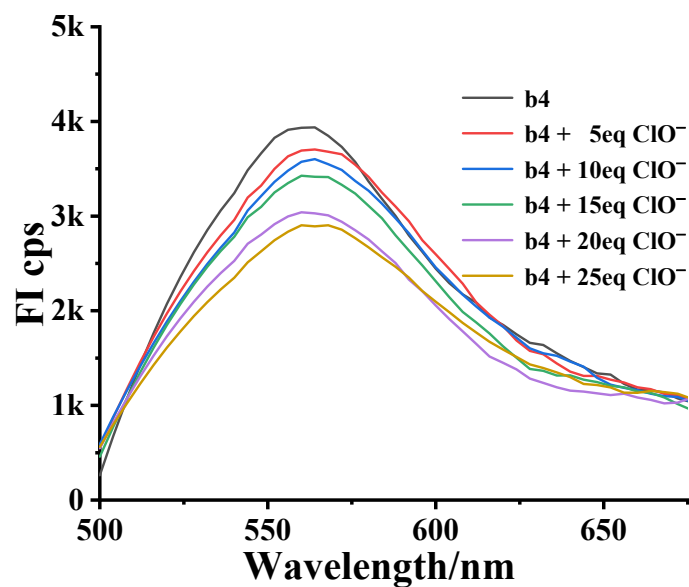
**Figure S6** The UV-vis final state of probe **1a** (20  $\mu$ M) with 25.0 equiv. NaClO and the UV-vis spectra of compound **4b** in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ .

## 7. Solvent effect of compound 4b



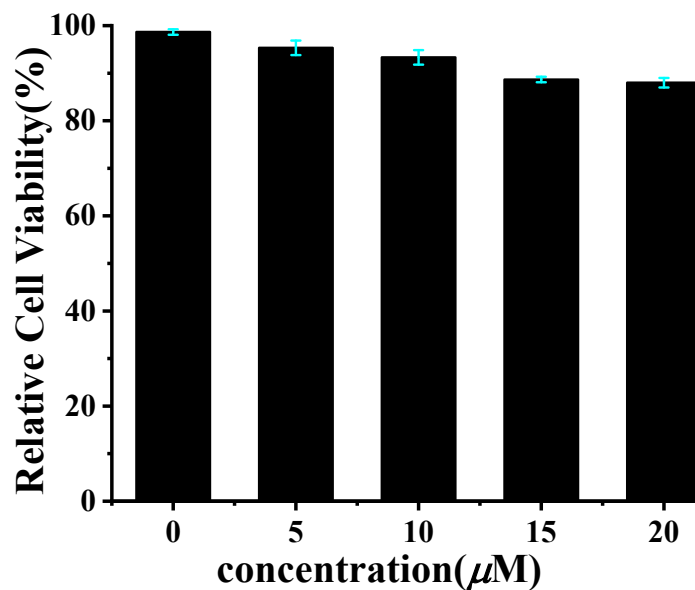
**Figure S7.** Variation of absorption spectrum and color of compound **4b** (20 $\mu$ M) in different solvents.

## 8. The fluorescence titration of compound 4b with $\text{ClO}^-$



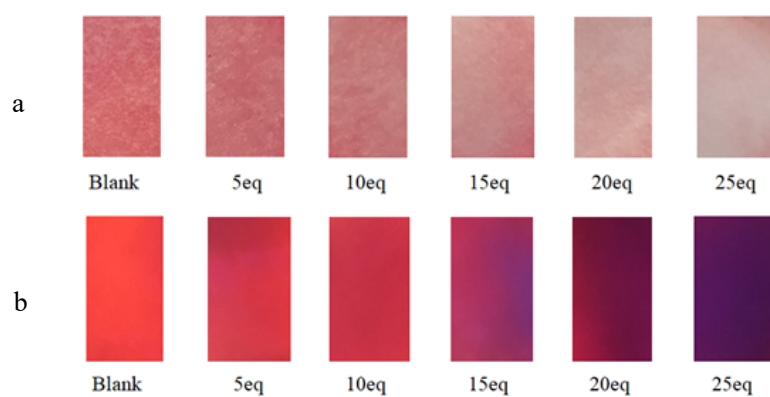
**Figure S8** Fluorescence spectral changes of **4b** (20  $\mu\text{M}$ ) ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 480 \text{ nm}$ ) upon the titration with  $\text{ClO}^-$  (0 to 25.0 equiv.) in PBS buffer (pH 7.4, with 10%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ , v/v).

### 9. Relative Cell Viability



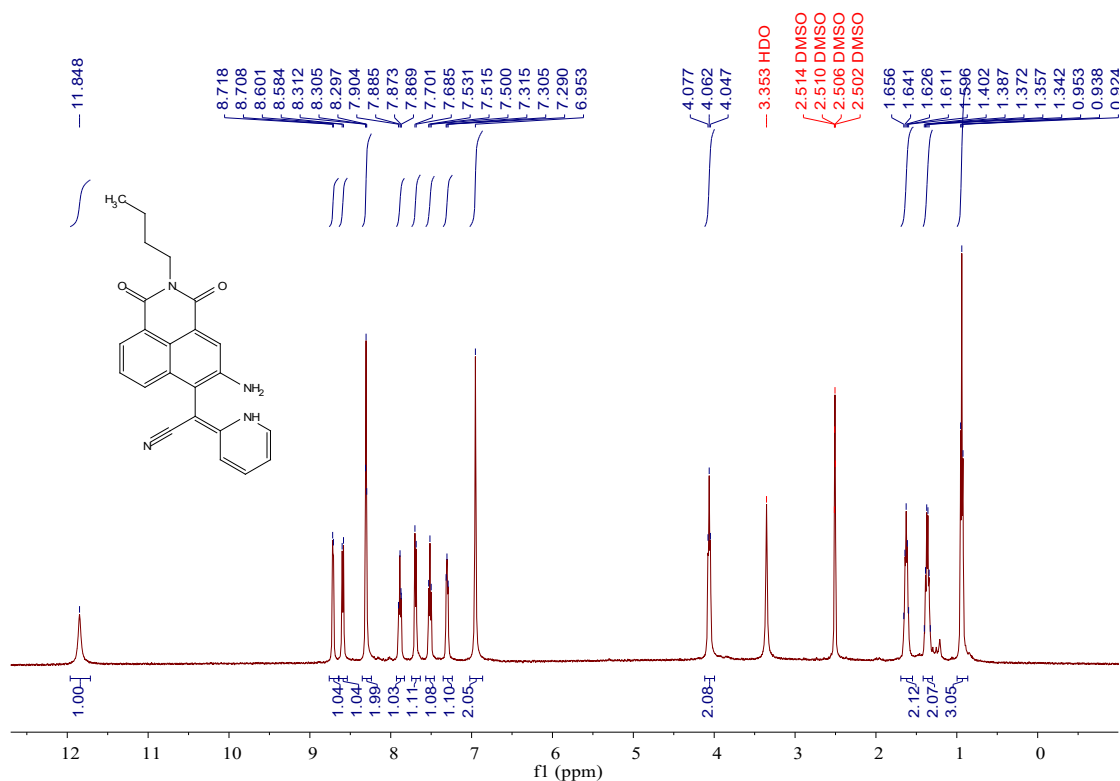
**Figure S9** Effects of the probe **1a** with various concentrations (0-20  $\mu\text{M}$ ) on the viability of the PANC cells in PBS buffer (pH 7.4).

## 10. The application of probe 1a in test paper



**Figure S10** (a) Bright photos of the test strip loaded with probe **1a** (1.0 mM) were utilized to sense  $\text{ClO}^-$ . (b) The fluorescence color change of adding different concentrations of  $\text{ClO}^-$  to the test strip with probe **1a** (1.0 mM) under 365 nm UV light.

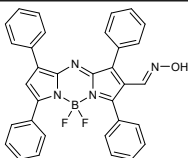
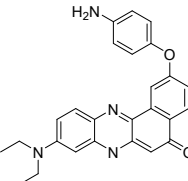
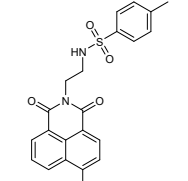
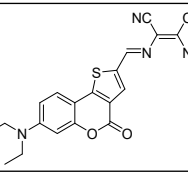
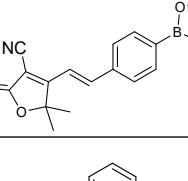
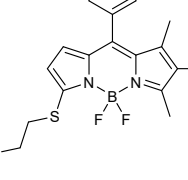
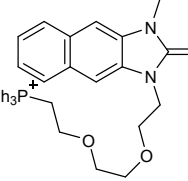
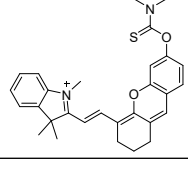
## 11. $^1\text{H}$ NMR spectra of the probe 1a



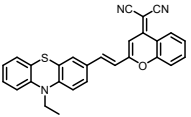
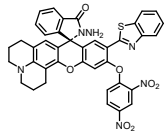
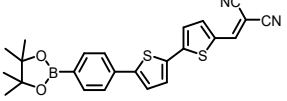
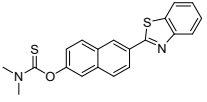
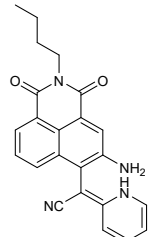
**Figure S11**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 500 MHz) spectra of compound **1a**.

## 12. Comparison of the this work with reported HClO probes

**Table S1.** Comparison of analytical parameters of representative fluorescent probes for HClO

Probe structures	LOD	Solvent	Reaction time	Ref.
	2.33 $\mu$ M	HEPES / CH <sub>3</sub> CN (1 / 1, v/v, 10 mM, pH=7.2)	-	<i>Spectrochim. Acta. A Mol. Biomol. Spectrosc.</i> <b>2019</b> , 206, 190-196.
	4.37 $\mu$ M	DMSO / PBS (5 / 95, v/v, 10 mM, pH=7.4)	60s	<i>Dyes and Pigments</i> <b>2020</b> , 174, 108113.
	120 nM	DMSO / PBS (1 / 99, v/v, 10 mM, pH=7.4)	150s	<i>Spectrochim. Acta. A Mol. Biomol. Spectrosc.</i> <b>2020</b> , 229, 117992.
	94 nM	PBS buffer (10 mM, pH = 7.4)	60s	<i>New J. Chem.</i> , <b>2020</b> , 44, 6232-6237.
	0.4 $\mu$ M	PBS buffer (20 mM, pH = 7.4)	60s	<i>Sensors Actuators B: Chem.</i> <b>2015</b> , 221 1130-1136.
	0.43 $\mu$ M	EtOH / PBS(1 / 9, v/v, 10 mM, pH = 7.4)	20s	<i>Anal. Chim. Acta.</i> <b>2016</b> , 911 114-120
	0.21 $\mu$ M	PBS buffer (50 mM, pH = 7.4, DMF 0.2%)	<180s	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> <b>2016</b> , 88 6615-6620
	0.131 $\mu$ M	CH <sub>3</sub> CN / PBS (2 / 8, v/v, 10 mM, pH = 7.4,)	5 s	<i>Sensors Actuators B: Chem.</i> <b>2021</b> , 327, 128884



	0.72 $\mu$ M	EtOH / PBS (1:1, v/v, 10 mM, pH = 7.4).	-	<i>Sensors and Actuators B</i> <b>2018</b> , 255, 963-969.
	84 nM	DMF / PBS (1 / 9, v/v, 10 mM, pH = 7.4,)	660 s	<i>Chemical Science</i> . <b>2021</b> , 12, 13483-13491.
	50 $\mu$ M	THF / PBS(1 / 1, v/v, 10 mM ,pH = 7.4)	15 s	<i>Chinese Chemical Letters</i> <b>2018</b> , 29 139-142
	37.56 nM	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH / PBS (1 / 1, v/v, 10 mM, pH=7.4),	< 30s	<i>RSC Adv.</i> , <b>2022</b> , 12, 777–784
	36.01 nM	CH <sub>3</sub> CN/PBS (1/9, v/v, 10 mM, pH=7.4)	1.2 s	This work