

## Electronic Supplementary Information

# A phenothiazine-based ratiometric fluorescence probe for the detection of hydroxylamine in real water and living cells

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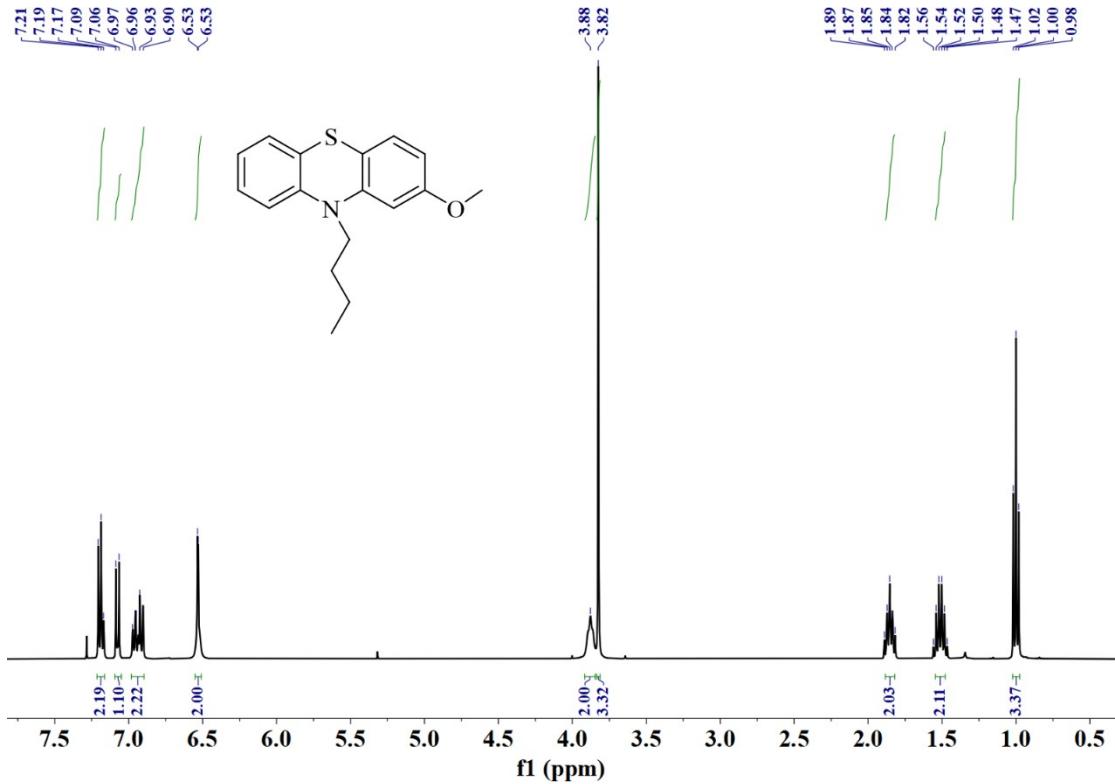
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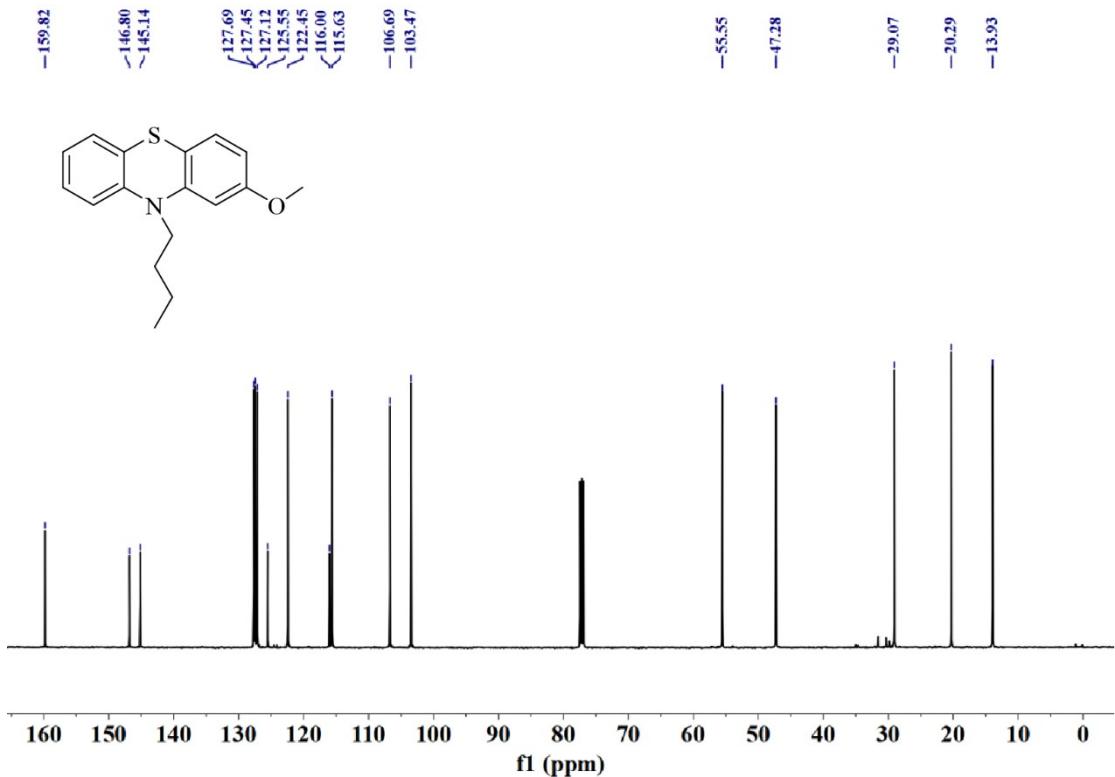
**Table S1** Comparison of fluorescent probes for hydroxylamine (HA).

Probes	$\lambda_{\text{ex}}/\lambda_{\text{em}}$ (nm)	LOD ( $\mu\text{M}$ )	Linear range ( $\mu\text{M}$ )	Application	Ref.
	465/510	—	0~20	—	[1]
N-CDs/Fe <sup>3+</sup>	360/477	0.246	0~100	—	[2]
	540/637	2.16	0~80	Imaging in living cells	[3]
DNA-CuNPs	340/588	0.022 mM	0.1-1.2 mM	Detection in real water samples	[4]
	365/465	28	0~1000	—	[5]
	$\lambda_{\text{ex}}=380 \text{ nm};$ $\lambda_{\text{em}1}=519 \text{ nm};$ $\lambda_{\text{em}2}=478 \text{ nm};$	0.19	0~1000	Test strip with Smartphone; Detection in real water samples; Imaging in living cells	This work

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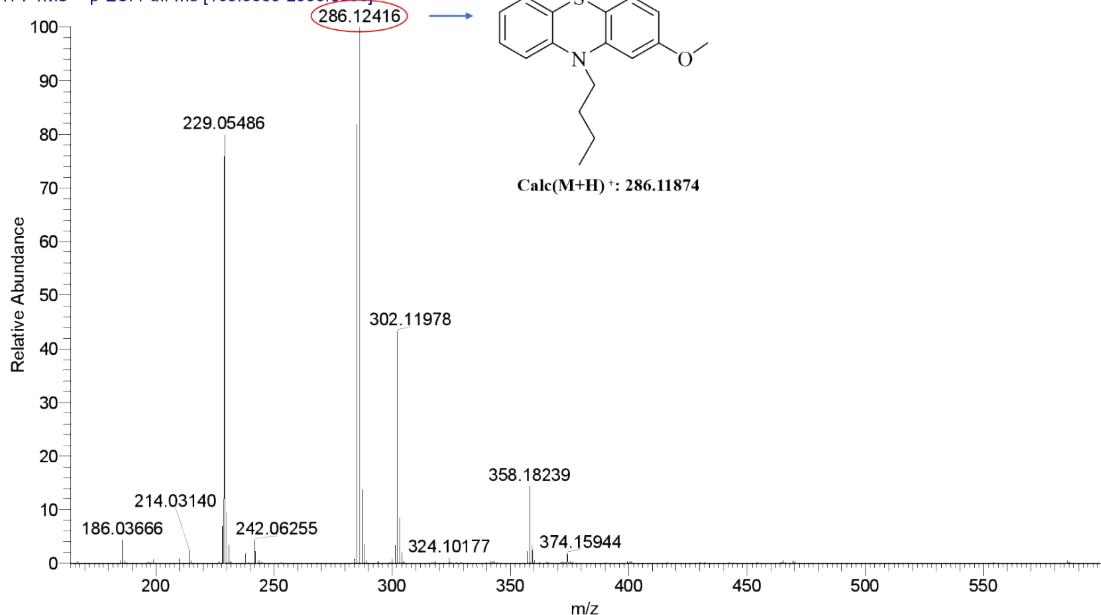


**Fig. S1** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 2-Methoxy-10-butyl-10H-phenothiazine (**1**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

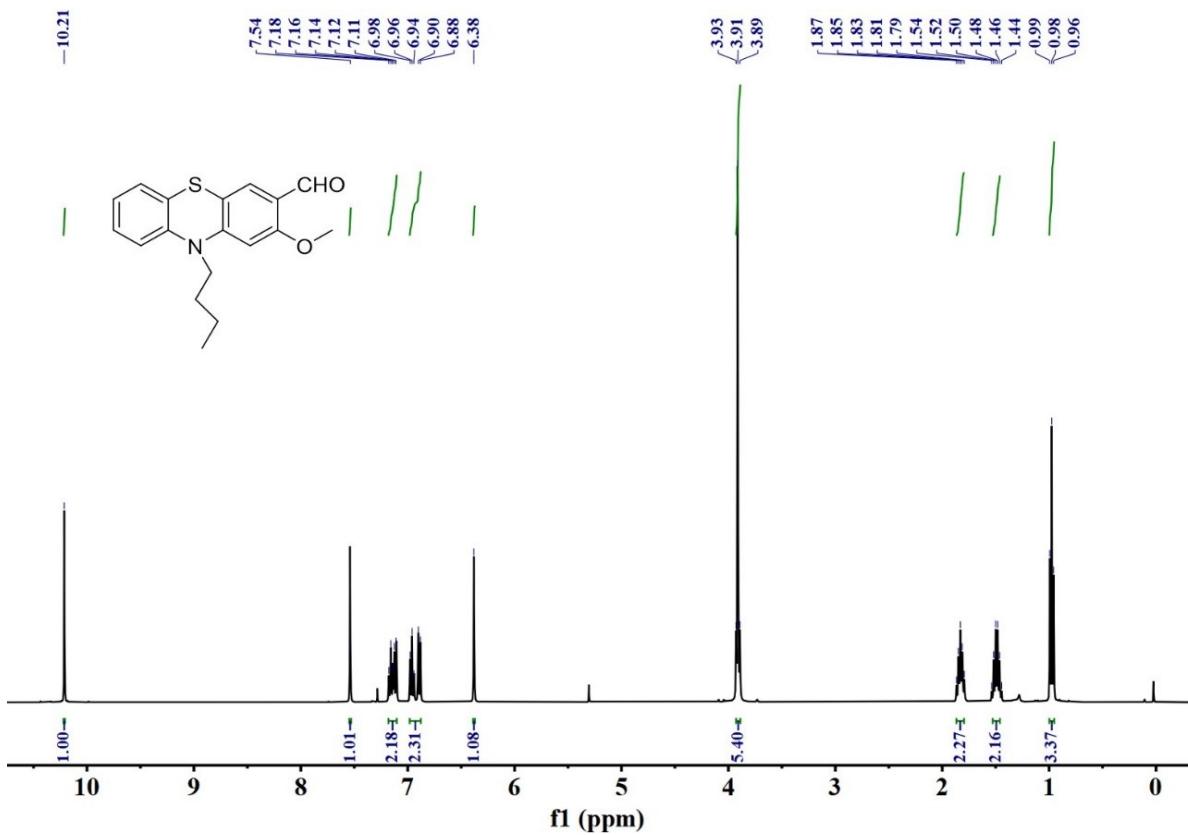


**Fig. S2** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 2-Methoxy-10-butyl-10H-phenothiazine (**1**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

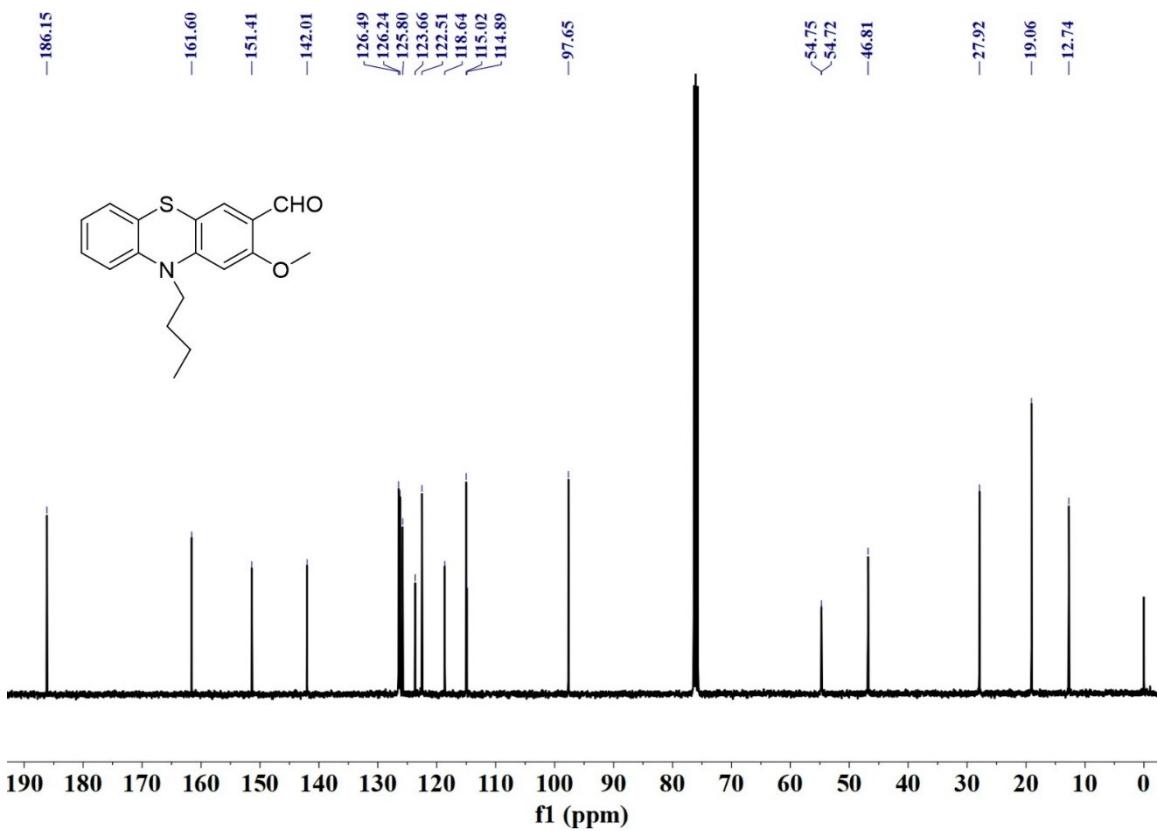
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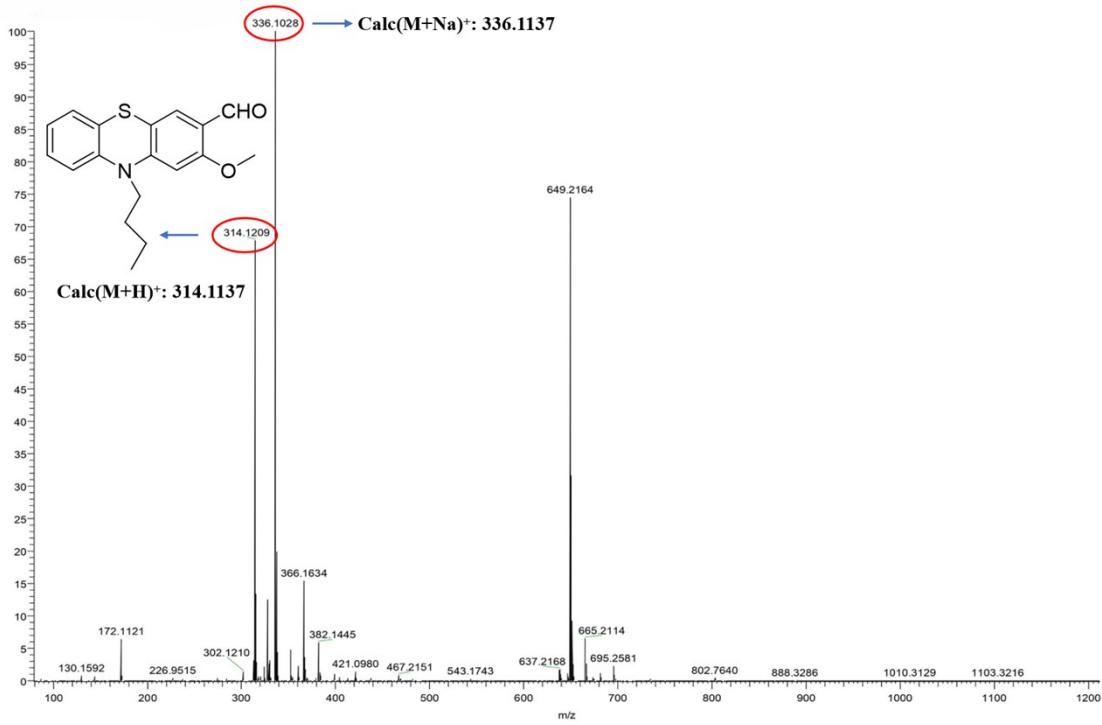
**Fig. S3** HRMS spectrum of compound 2-Methoxy-10H-phenothiazine (**1**).



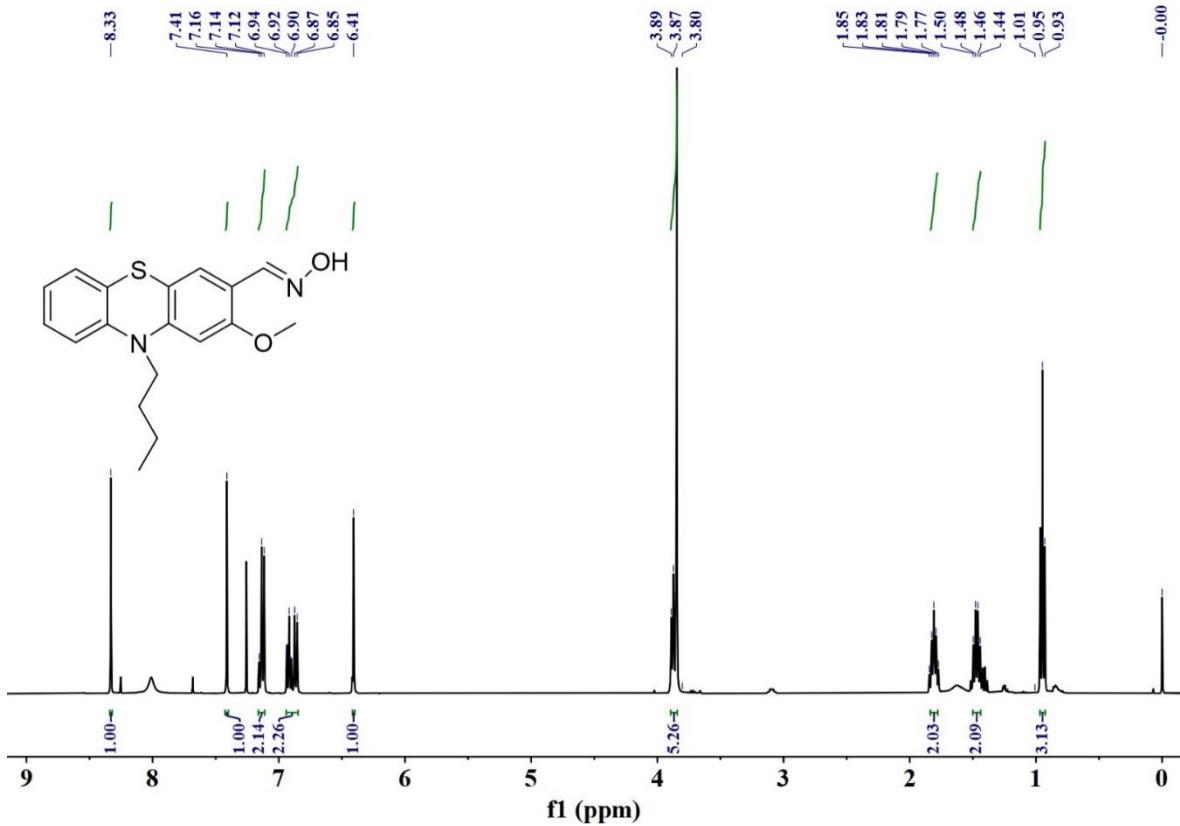
**Fig. S4** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the probe **PCHO** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



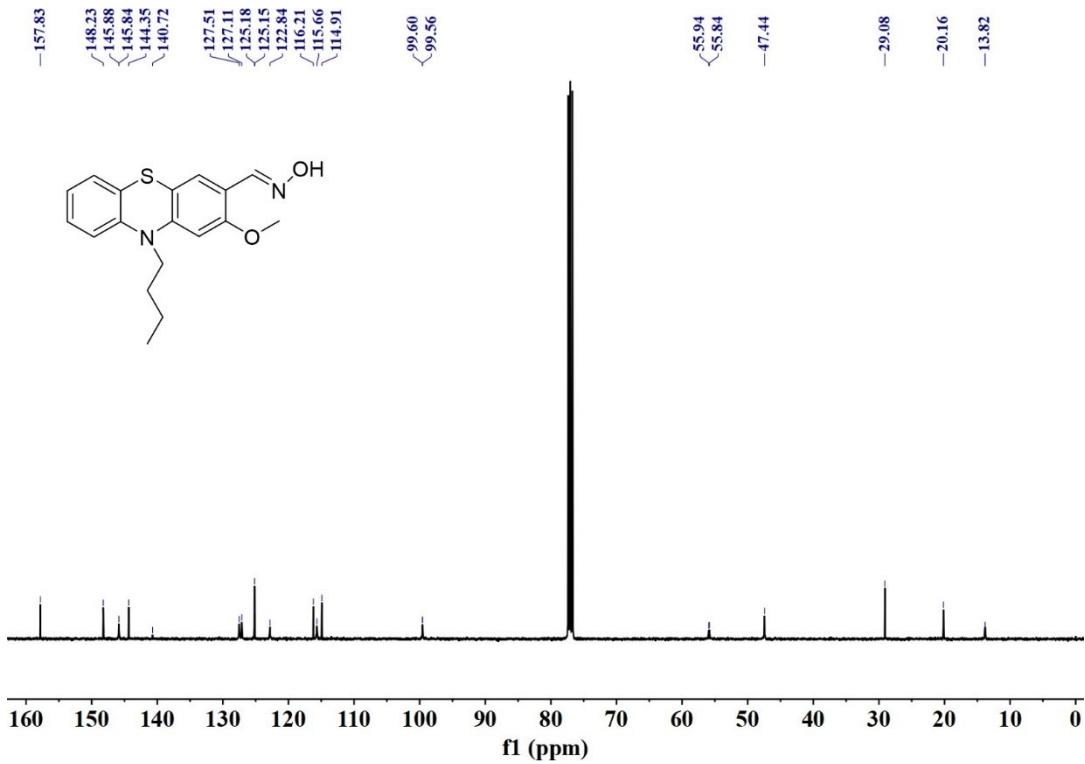
**Fig. S5**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of the probe **PCHO** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



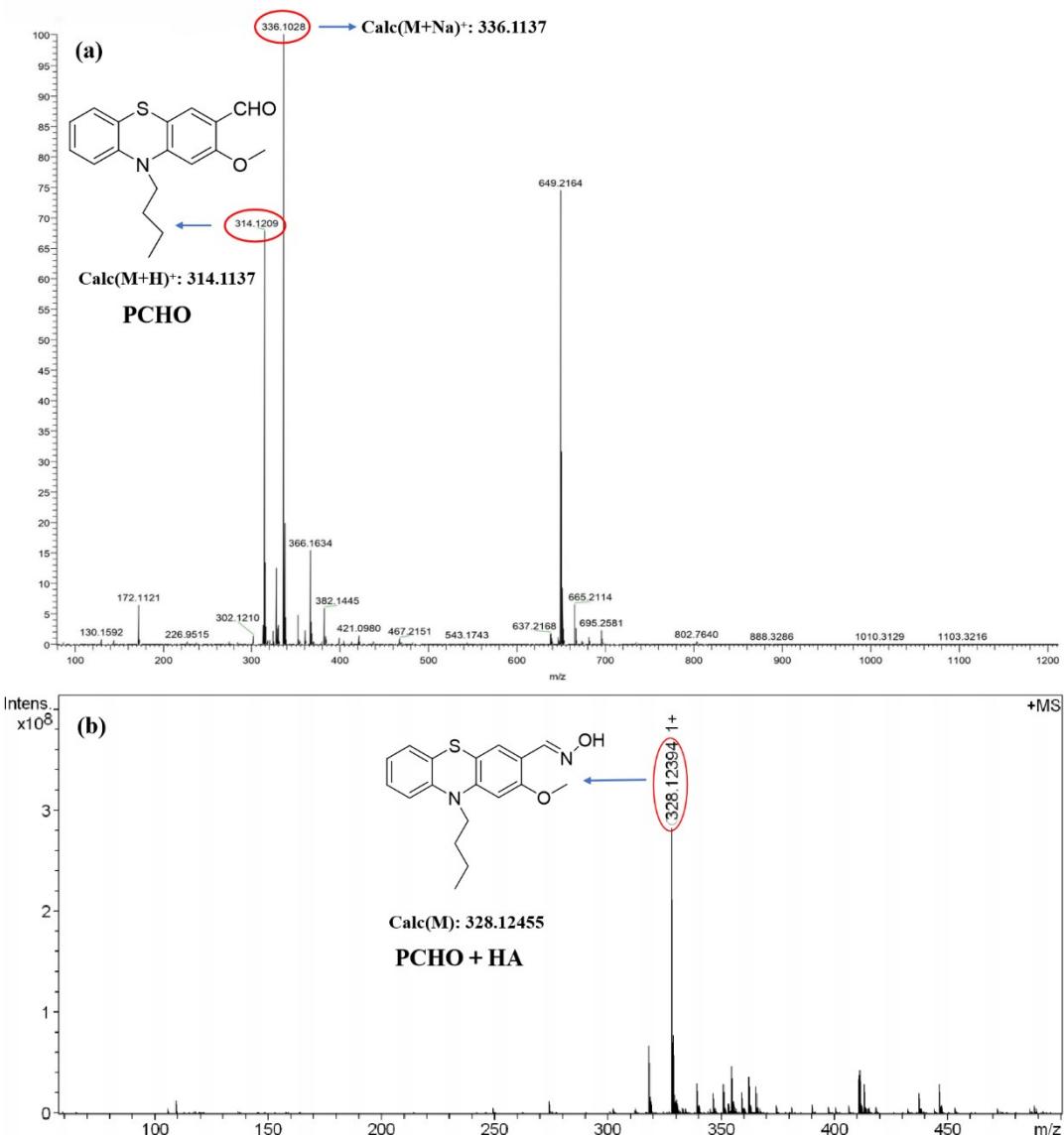
**Fig. S6** HRMS spectrum of the probe **PCHO**.



**Fig. S7**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **PCHO-HA** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Fig. S8**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **PCHO-HA** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Fig. S9** HRMS spectrum of the probe **PCHO** in absence (a) and presence of HA (b)

## DFT Calculation of the probe PCHO

# opt freq b3lyp/6-31g geom=connectivity

- Cartesian Coordinates for **PCHO**:

C	-3.18693916	-2.70179634	0.00263100
C	-1.79177916	-2.70179634	0.00263100
C	-1.09424116	-1.49404534	0.00263100
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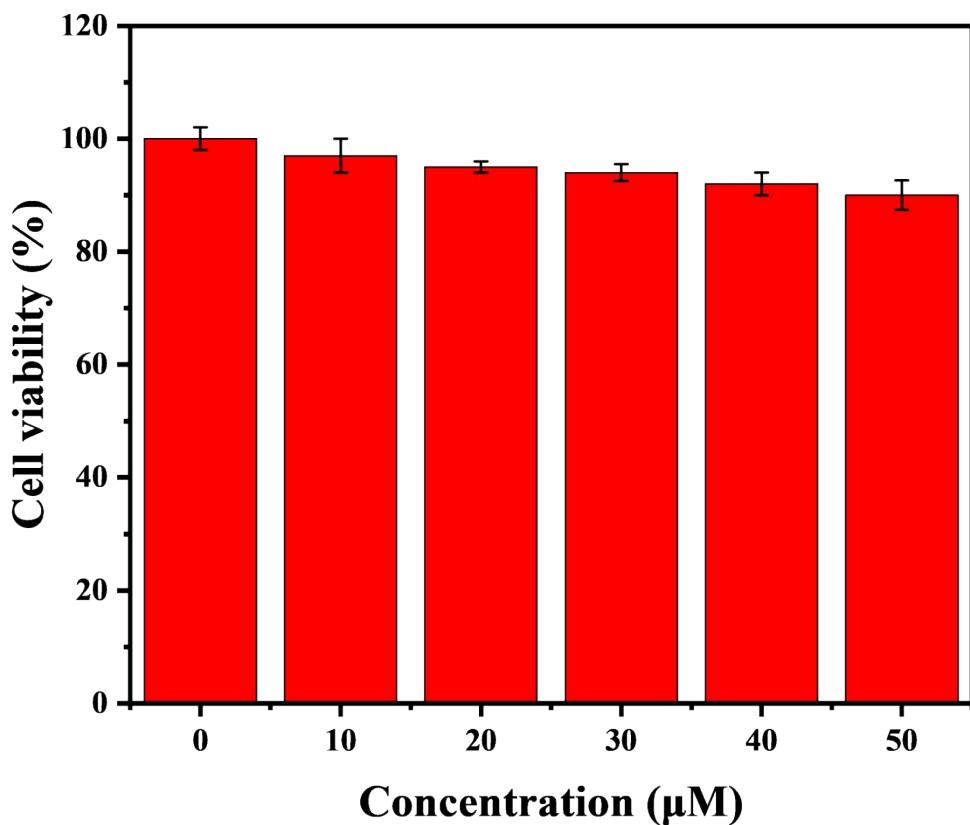
## DFT Calculation of PCHO-HA

# opt freq b3lyp/6-31g geom=connectivity

- Cartesian Coordinates for **PCHO-HA**:

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C	0.12453532	-4.04297773	0.00462873
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H	6.70318490	-3.17996652	-0.35112971



**Fig. S10** Cytotoxicity assays of the probe **PCHO** at different concentrations for HUVEC cells.

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