

## Highly selective fluorescent and colorimetric sensor for $\text{Hg}^{2+}$ based on triazole-linked NBD

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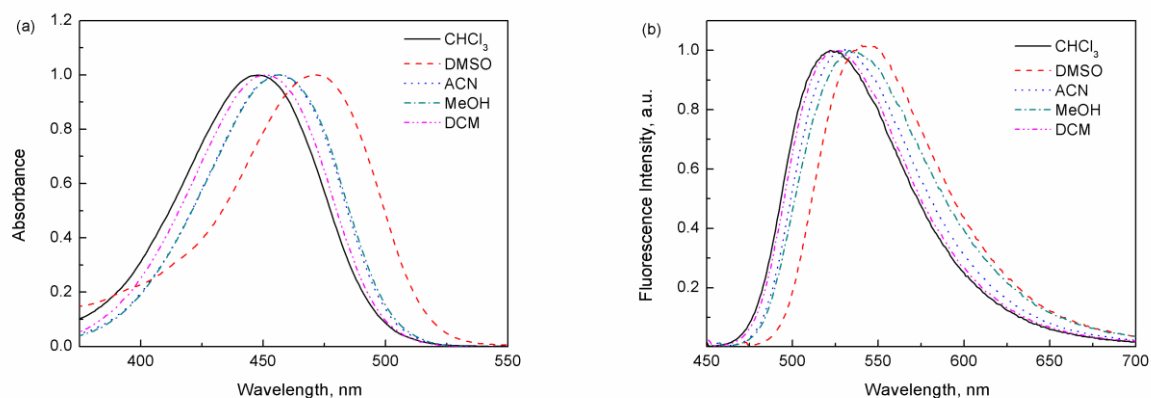
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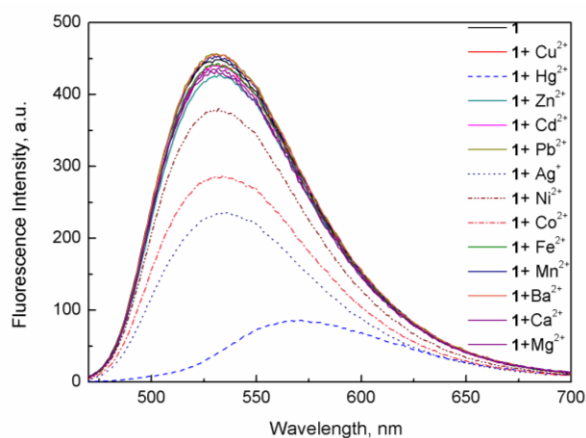
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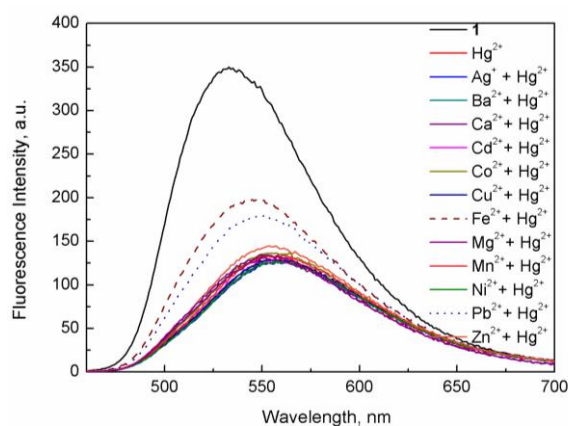
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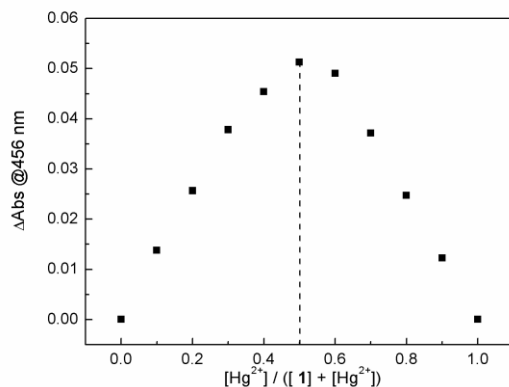
**Fig. S1** Normalized absorption (a) and fluorescence (b) spectra of **1** in various solvents including  $\text{CHCl}_3$ , DMSO, acetonitrile (ACN), methanol (MeOH) and dichloromethane (DCM); excitation wavelengths correspond to the peaks of absorption band in different solvents,  $[\mathbf{1}] = 10 \mu\text{M}$ .



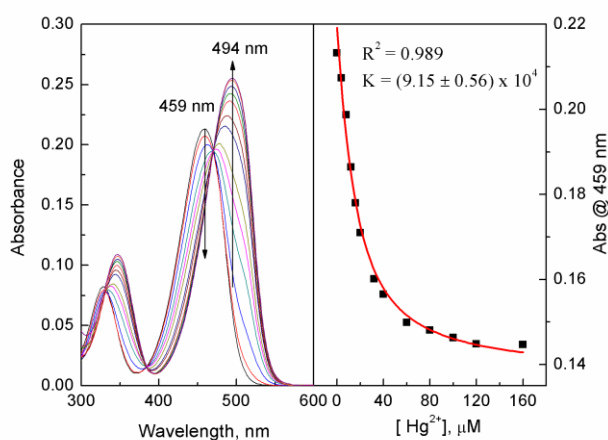
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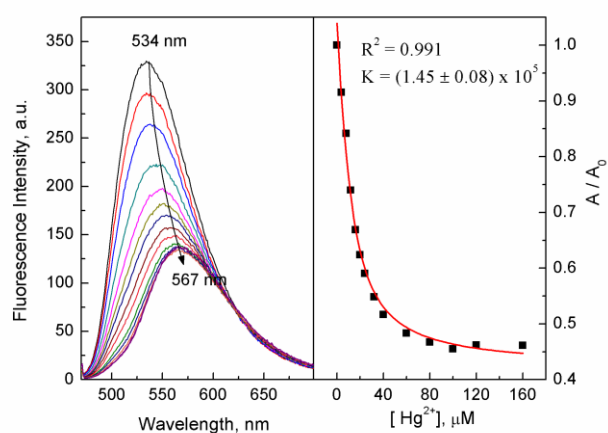
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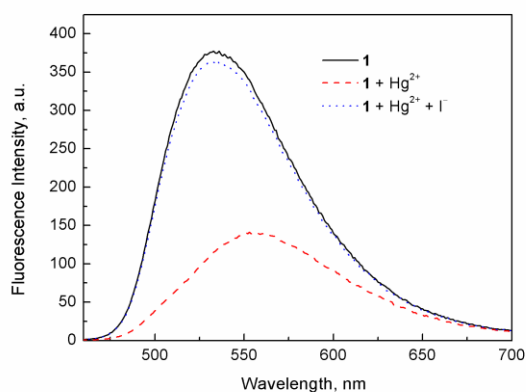
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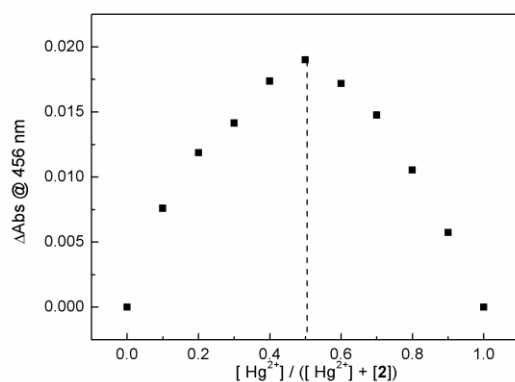
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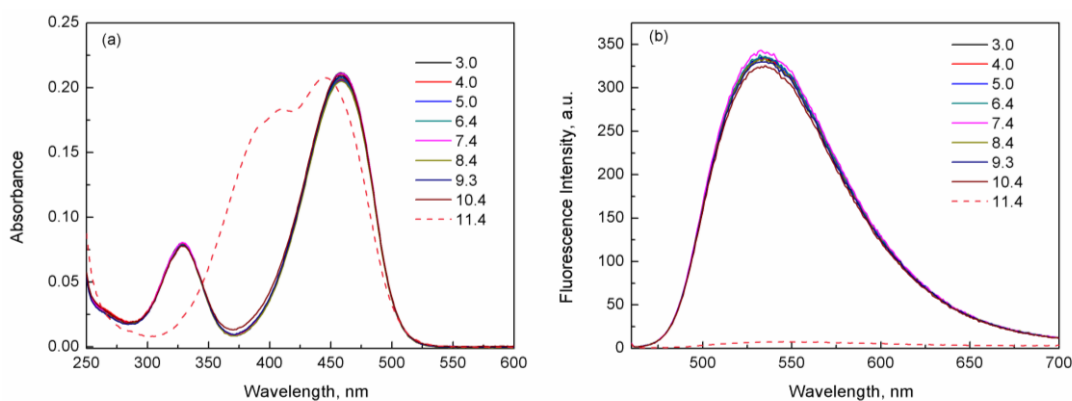
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**Fig. S7** Fluorescence spectra of **1** in the presence of  $\text{Hg}^{2+}$  and then addition of  $\text{I}^-$  in EtOH/HEPES ( $v/v = 9:1$ ),  $[\text{Hg}^{2+}] = 40 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{I}^-] = 80 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 456 \text{ nm}$ .



**Fig. S8** Job plot for **2**- $\text{Hg}^{2+}$ . The total concentration of  $[\text{Hg}^{2+}]$  and **[2]** is  $20 \mu\text{M}$ .



**Fig. S9** Absorption (a) and fluorescence (b) spectra of **1** in EtOH/HEPES ( $v/v = 9:1$ ) under different pH conditions,  $[\mathbf{1}] = 10 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 459 \text{ nm}$ .