

Synthesis of Novel Diketopyrrolopyrrole-Rhodamine Conjugates and Their Ability for Sensing Cu^{2+} and Li^+

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^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR of chemosensors 1 and 2

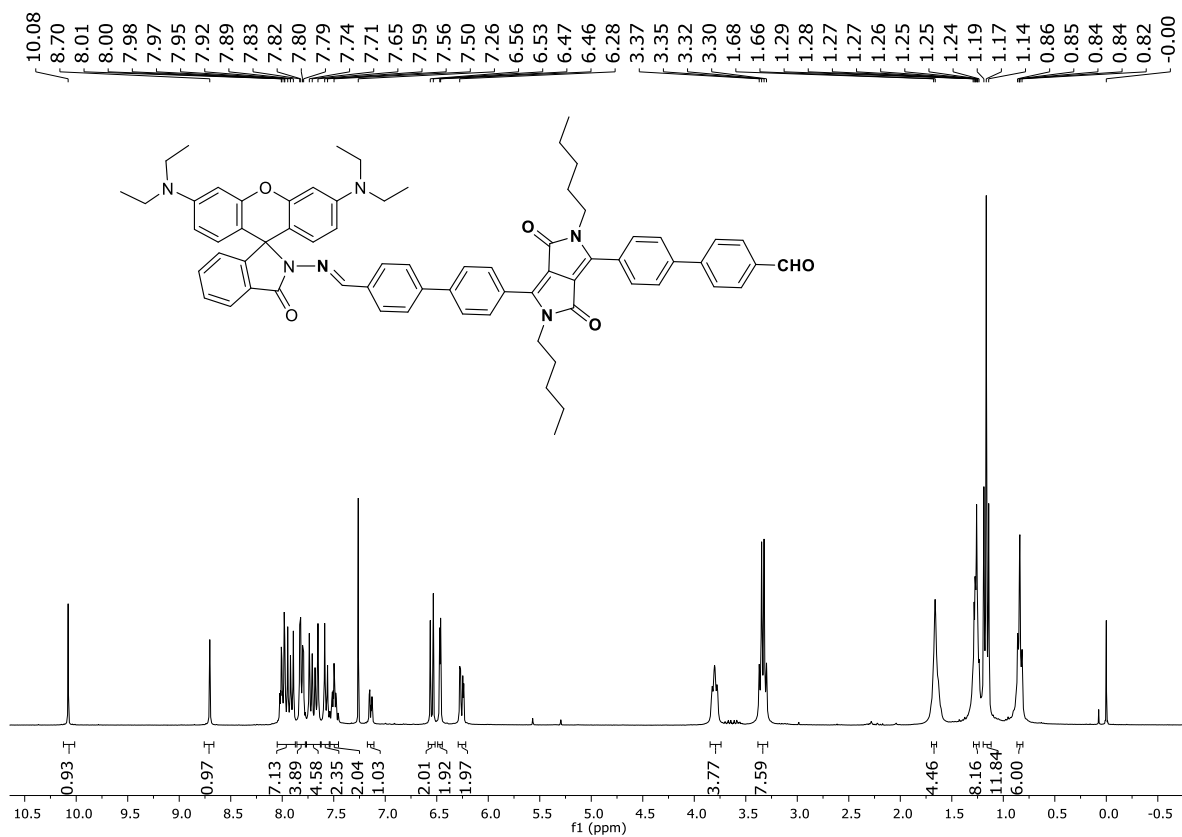


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of chemosensor 1.

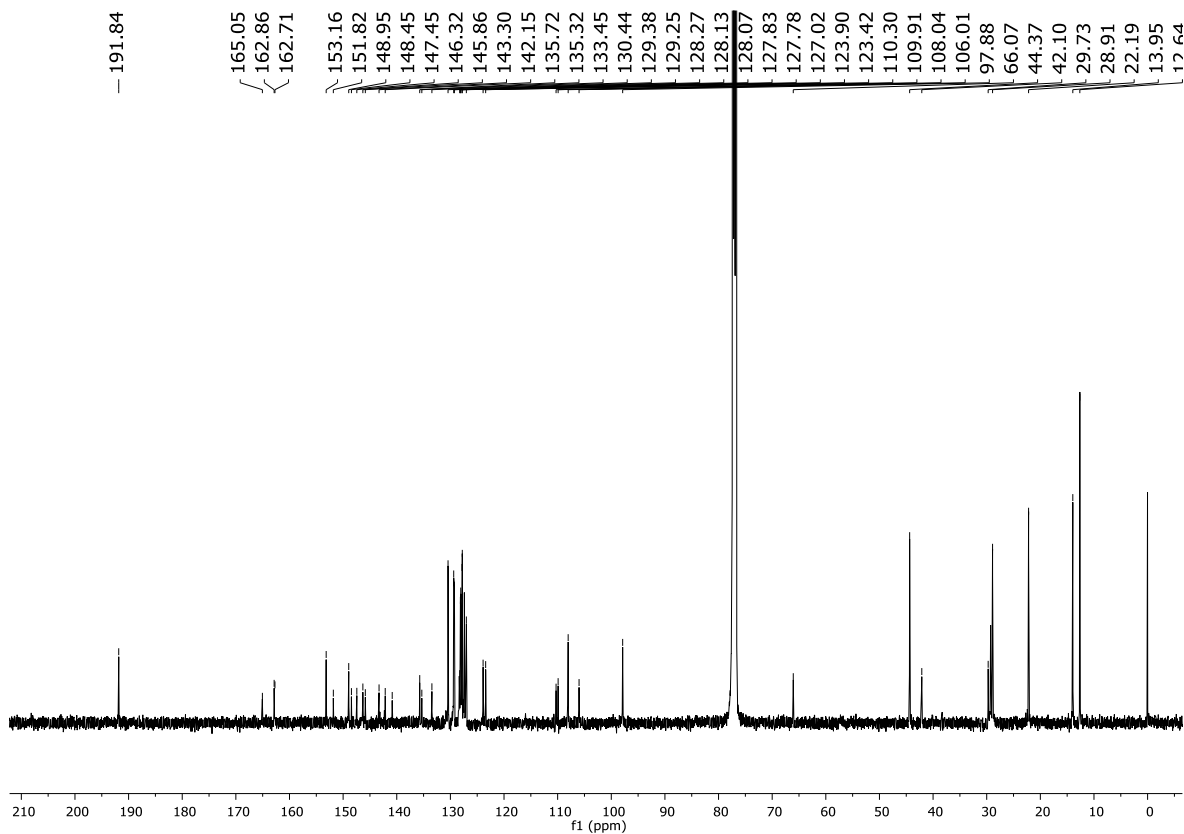
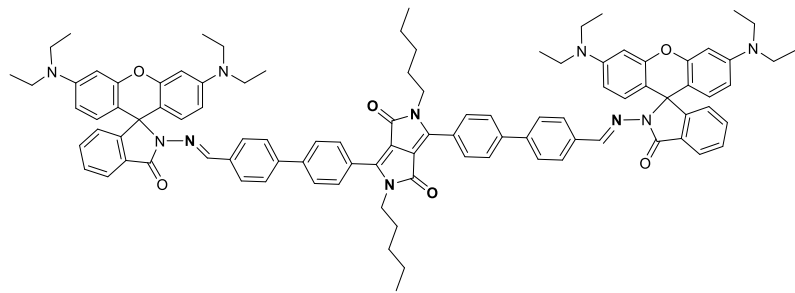


Figure S2. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of chemosensor 1.



13C NMR spectrum (CDCl₃) of compound 1. The x-axis is labeled 'f1 (ppm)' and ranges from 170 to 0. The spectrum shows numerous peaks, with the most intense at 77.92 ppm (CDCl₃ solvent). Other significant peaks are labeled with their chemical shifts: 165.93, 163.70, 154.07, 152.70, 149.87, 148.88, 147.31, 144.05, 141.80, 136.18, 134.30, 130.22, 130.12, 129.21, 129.01, 128.94, 128.24, 128.14, 127.91, 124.79, 124.30, 110.87, 108.94, 106.93, 98.79, 78.24, 77.92, 77.60, 66.98, 45.24, 43.01, 30.61, 29.80, 23.07, 14.82, 13.54, 13.54, and 0.90.

Figure S4. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of chemosensor 2.

MS of chemosensors 1 and 2

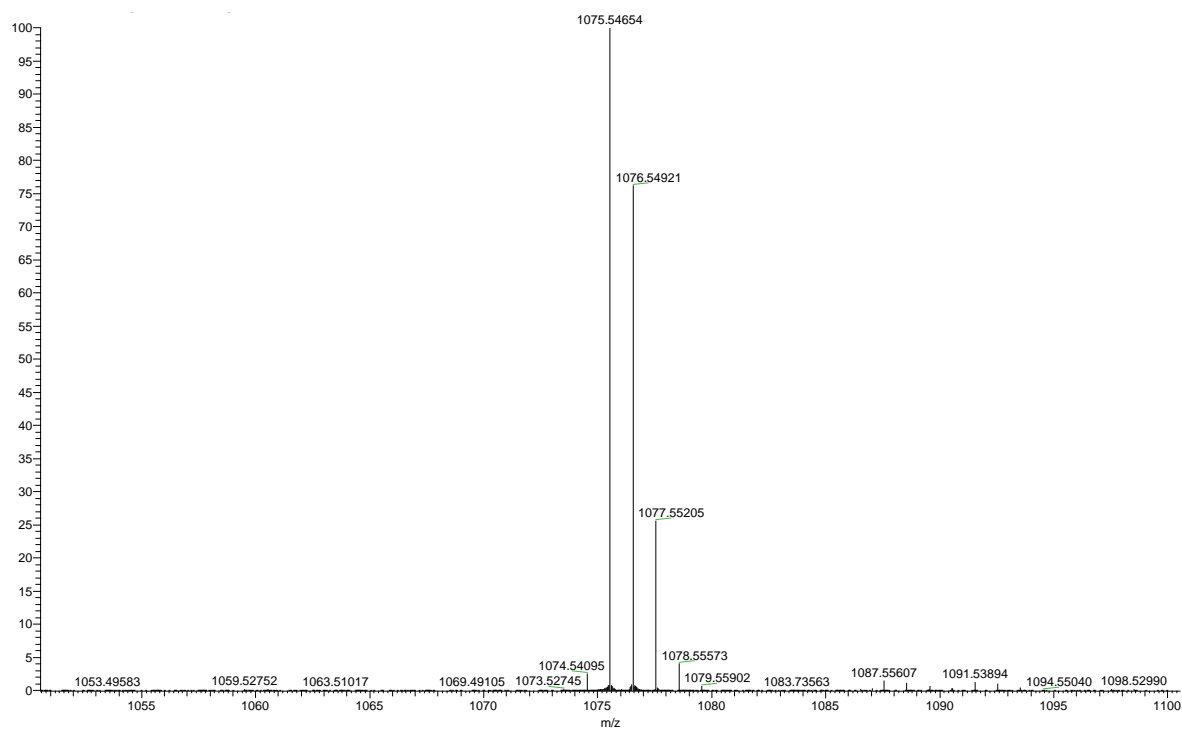


Figure S5. MS spectrum of chemosensor 1.

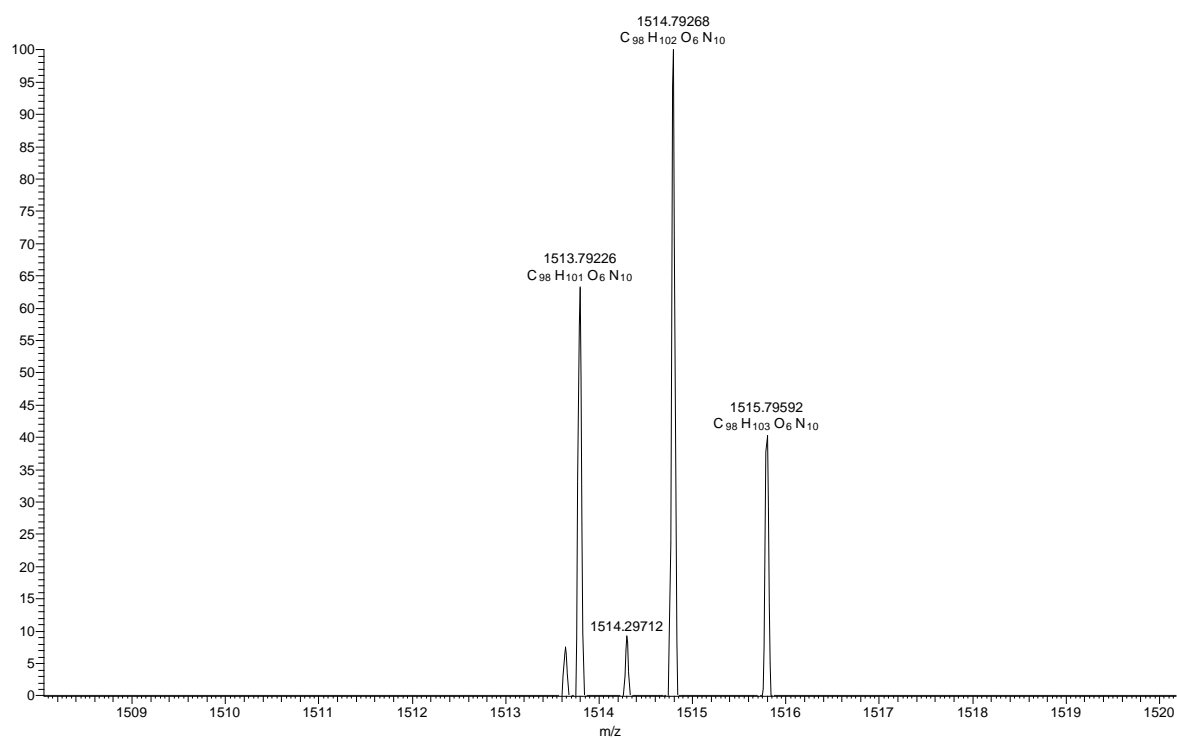


Figure S6. MS spectrum of chemosensor 2.

Spectroscopic properties of precursors DPP(CHO)₂ and RhoHyd

Table S1. Spectroscopic properties (λ_{abs} , λ_{em} , molar absorptivity (ϵ), Stokes shift, fluorescence quantum yield (Φ_{F}) and lifetime (τ) of the precursors in CH₂Cl₂, EtOH and CH₃CN at 25 °C.

	$\lambda_{\text{abs}} / \text{nm}$ ($\epsilon \times 10^4 / \text{dm}^3\text{mol}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$)	$\lambda_{\text{em}} / \text{nm}$	Stokes Shift / nm	Φ_{F}	τ / ns
DPP(CHO)₂					
CH ₂ Cl ₂	268 (2.39), 323 (4.94), 492 (2.28)	573	80	0.92	4.8 ± 0.6
EtOH	316 (7.47), 485 (3.49)	566	81	0.88	Non determined
CH ₃ CN	265 (3.62), 318 (7.50), 485 (3.62)	568	83	0.88	Non determined
RhoHyd					
CH ₂ Cl ₂	275 (4.39), 316 (1.80)	-	-	-	-
EtOH	273 (4.12), 311 (1.53)	-	-	-	-
CH ₃ CN	273 (1.50), 313 (1.41)	-	-	-	-

UV-Vis and fluorescence: solution studies for 1 and 2 towards anions and cations

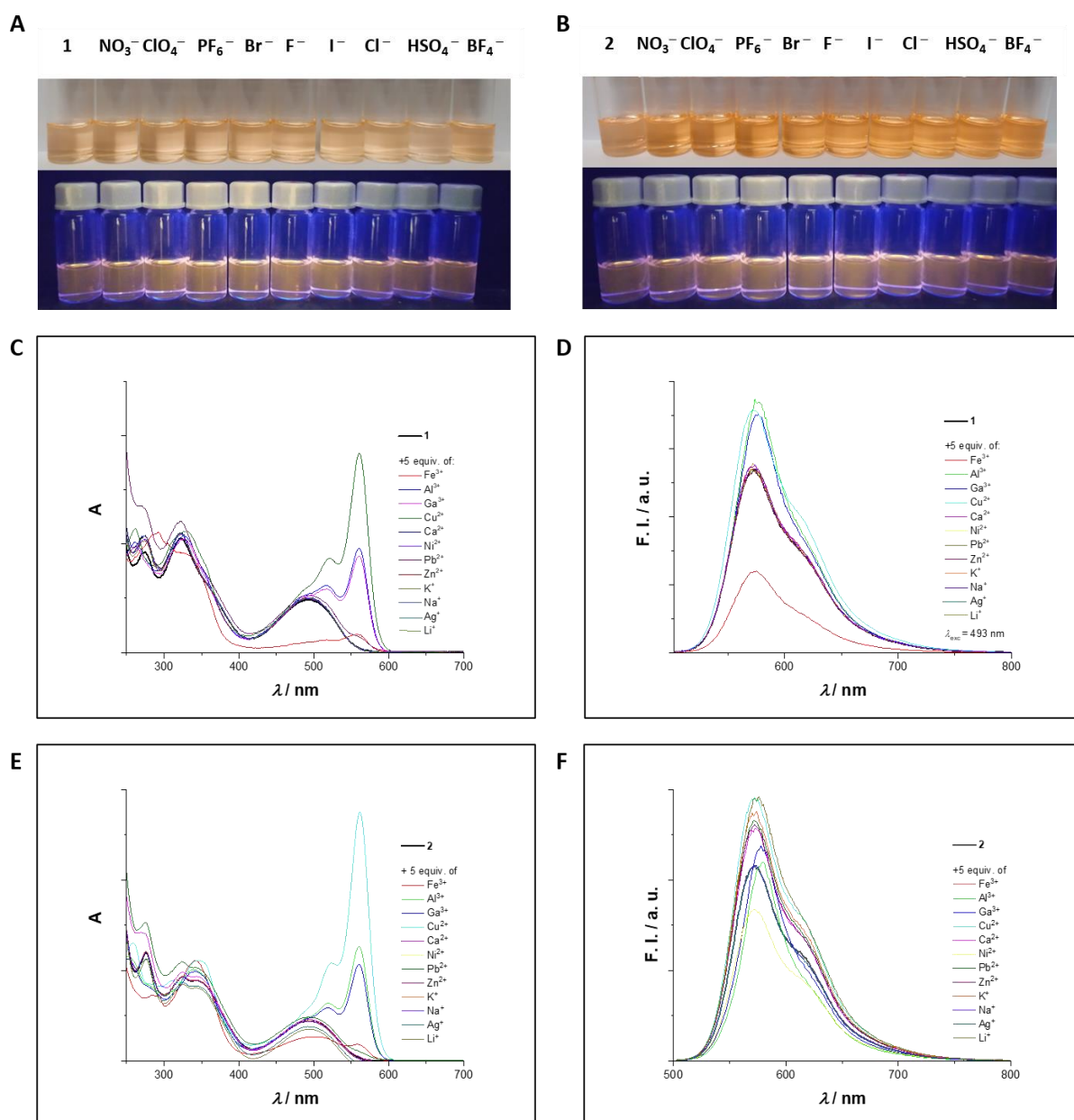


Figure S7. Photographs (up: visible and down: 354 nm lamp) of **1** (A) and **2** (B), in CH_2Cl_2 , in the presence of 5 equiv. of anions (NO_3^- , ClO_4^- , PF_6^- , Br^- , F^- , I^- , Cl^- , HSO_4^- and BF_4^-) and absorption and fluorescence spectra of **1** (C and D) and **2** (E and F), in CH_2Cl_2 , in the presence of 5 equiv. of cations (Fe^{3+} , Al^{3+} , Ga^{3+} , Cu^{2+} , Ca^{2+} , Ni^{2+} , Pb^{2+} , Zn^{2+} , K^+ , Na^+ , Ag^+ and Li^+).

UV-Vis and fluorescence: solution studies for DPP(CHO)₂ and RhoHyd towards anions and cations

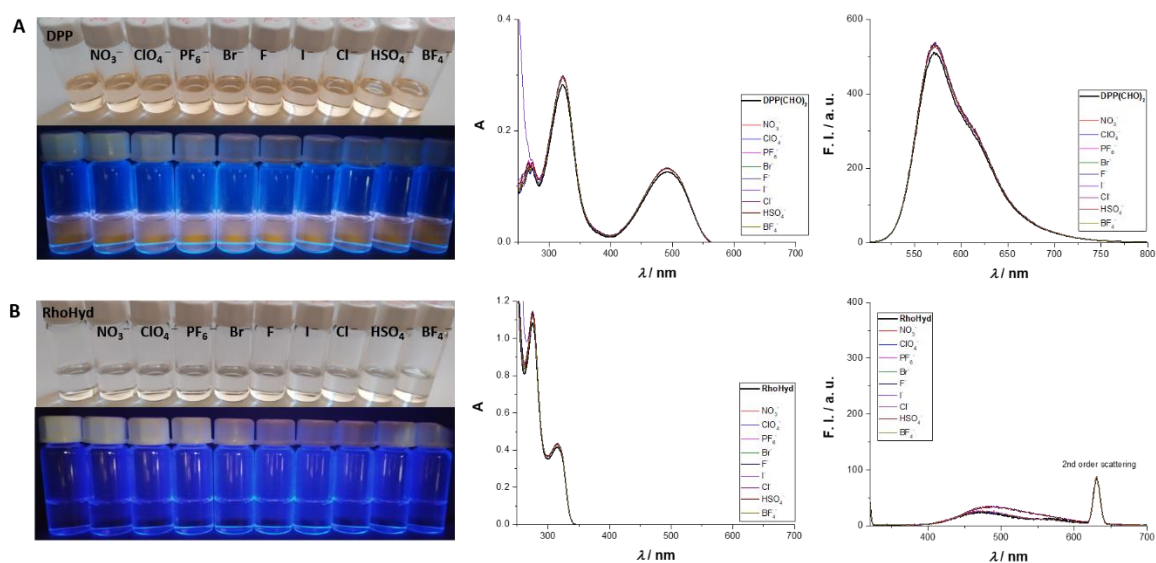


Figure S8. Photographs (up: visible and down: under a 354 nm lamp) and absorption and fluorescence spectra of **DPP(CHO)₂** (A) and **RhoHyd** (B), in CH₂Cl₂, in the presence of 5 equiv. of anions (NO₃⁻, ClO₄⁻, PF₆⁻, Br⁻, F⁻, I⁻, Cl⁻, HSO₄⁻ and BF₄⁻).

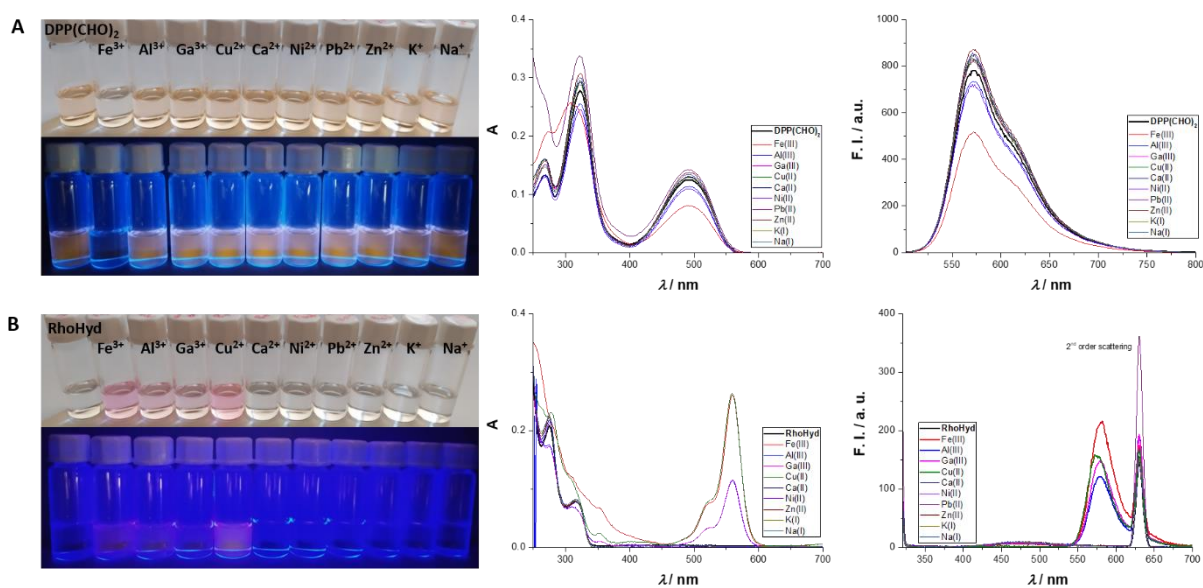


Figure S9. Photographs (up: visible and down: under a 354 nm lamp) and absorption and fluorescence spectra of **DPP(CHO)₂** (A) and **RhoHyd** (B), in CH₂Cl₂, in the presence of 5 equiv. of cations (Fe³⁺, Al³⁺, Ga³⁺, Cu²⁺, Ca²⁺, Ni²⁺, Pb²⁺, Zn²⁺, K⁺ and Na⁺).

Absorbance and fluorescence measurements of chemosensor 2 in the presence of Cu^{2+}

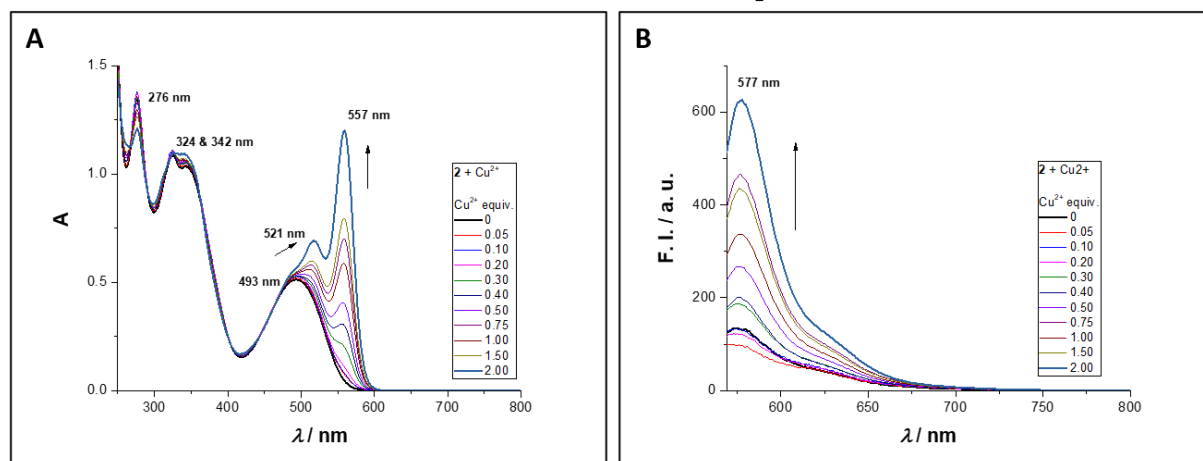


Figure S10. Absorbance (A) and fluorescence (B, using $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 557$ nm) spectra of chemosensor 2 with increasing concentrations of Cu^{2+} (up to 2 equiv.).

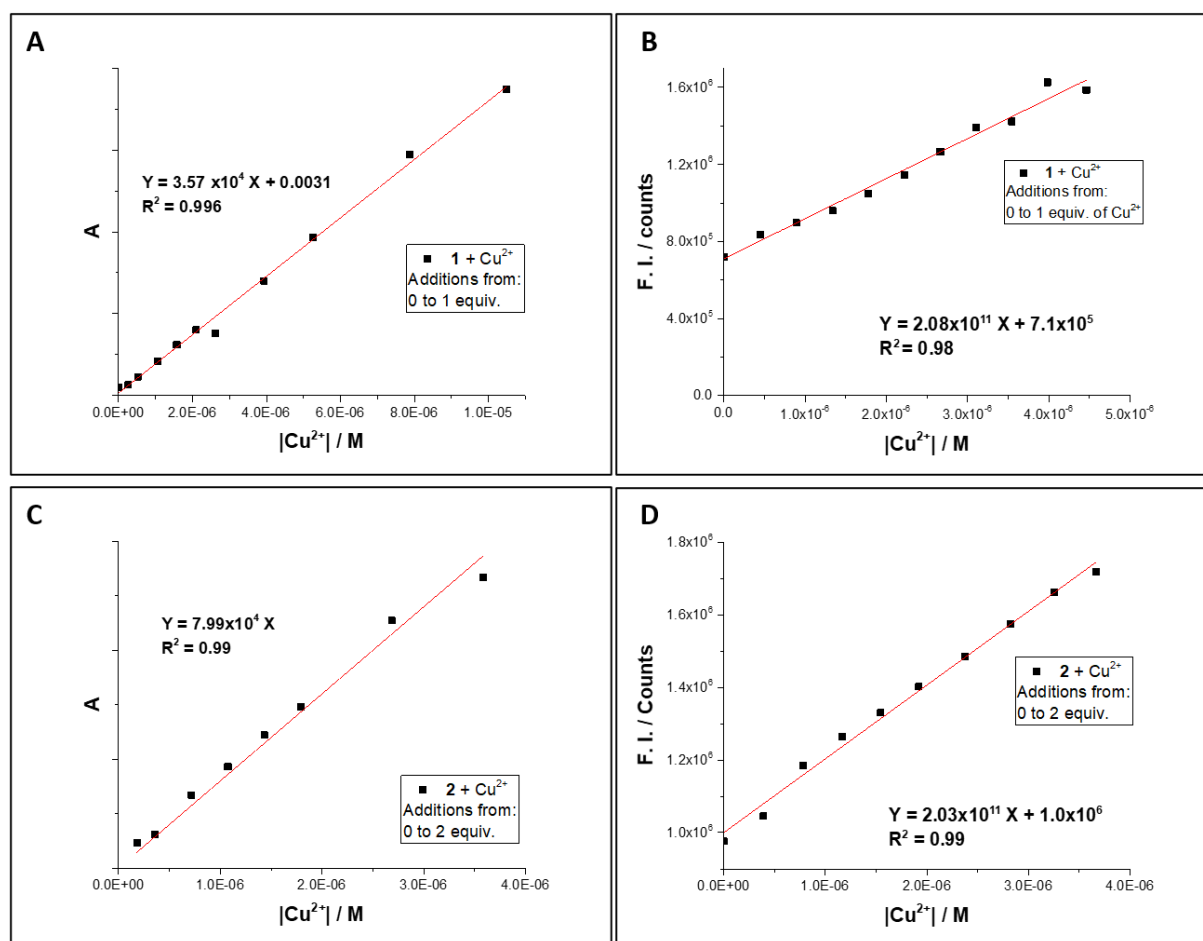


Figure S11. Absorption (A for 1 and C for 2) and fluorescence (B for 1 and D for 2) spectra of chemosensors 1 and 2 with increasing concentration of Cu^{2+} .

Absorbance and fluorescence measurements of chemosensors 1+Cu²⁺ and 2+Cu²⁺ in the presence of Li⁺

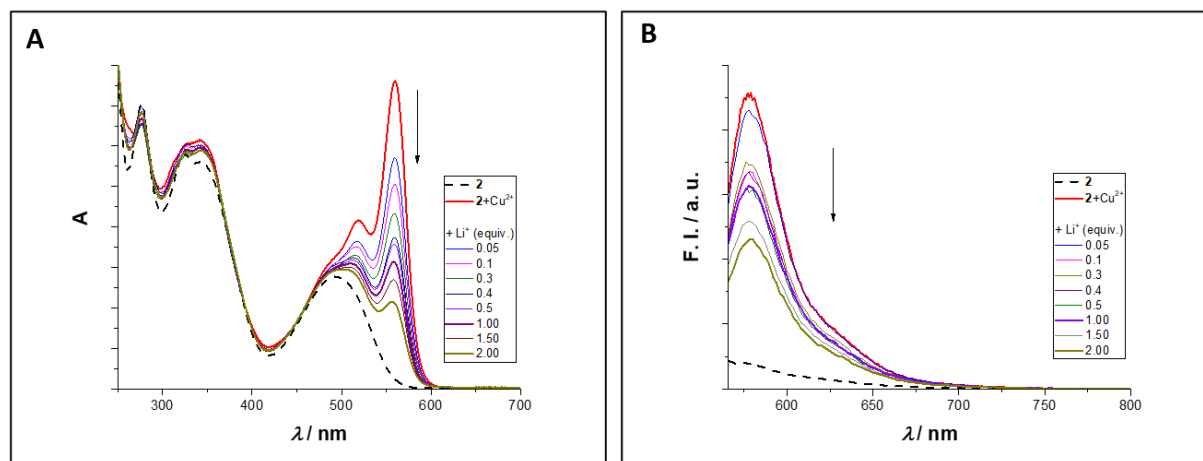


Figure S12. Absorbance (A) and fluorescence (B, using $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 560$ nm) spectra of chemosensor 2+Cu²⁺ with increasing concentrations of Li⁺ (up to 2 equiv.).

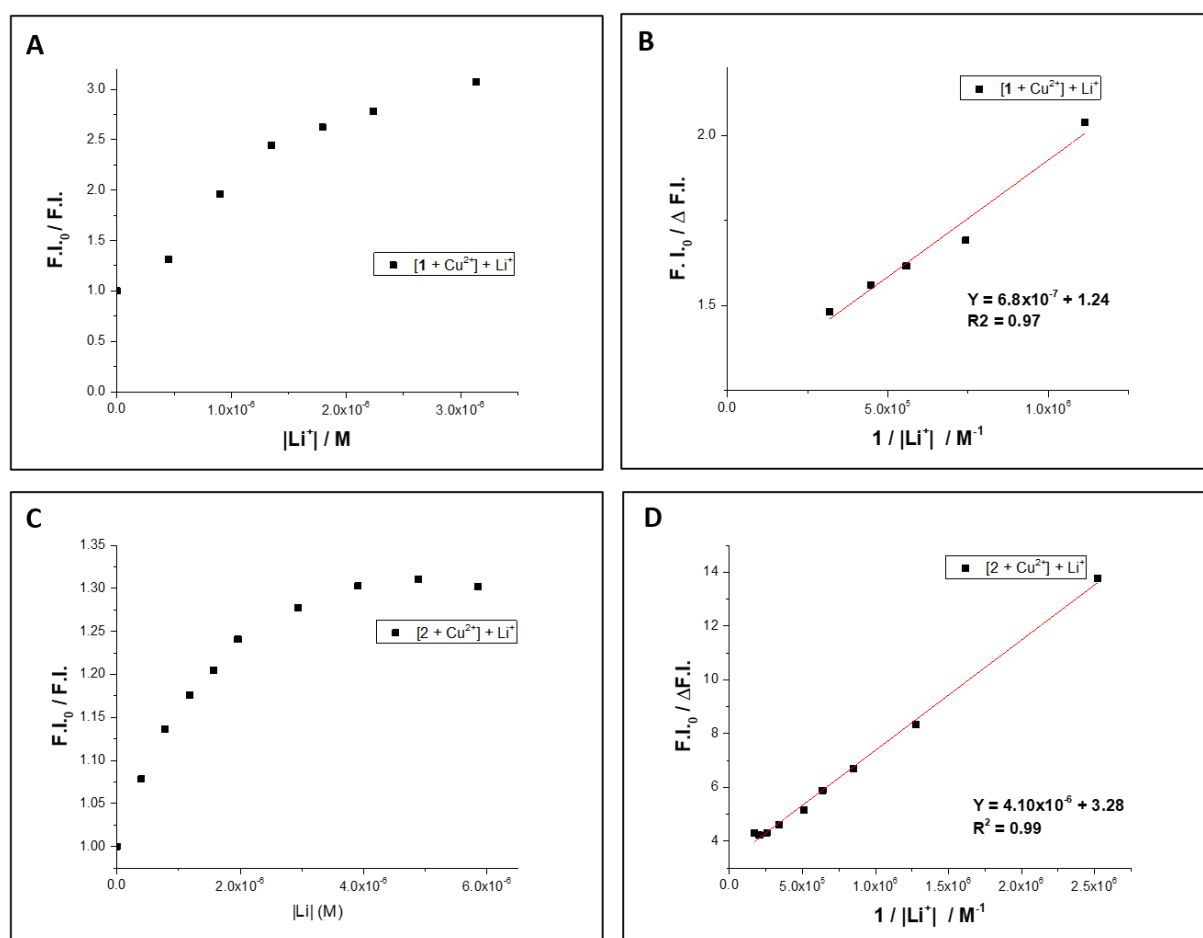


Figure S13. Stern-Volmer graphical representations for 1+Cu²⁺ (A and C – modified version) and 2+Cu²⁺ (B and D – modified version) in the presence of Li⁺.

Absorbance and fluorescence measurements of chemosensor 2+Cu²⁺ in the presence of Li(CH₃COO) and LiBr salts

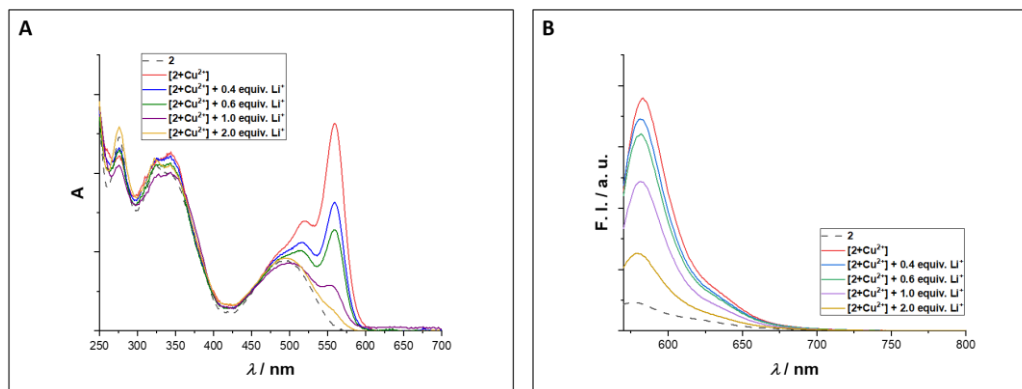


Figure S14. Absorbance (A) and fluorescence (B, using $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 560$ nm) spectra of chemosensor 2+Cu²⁺ with increasing concentrations of Li⁺ (up to 2 equiv.), using Li(CH₃COO) salt.

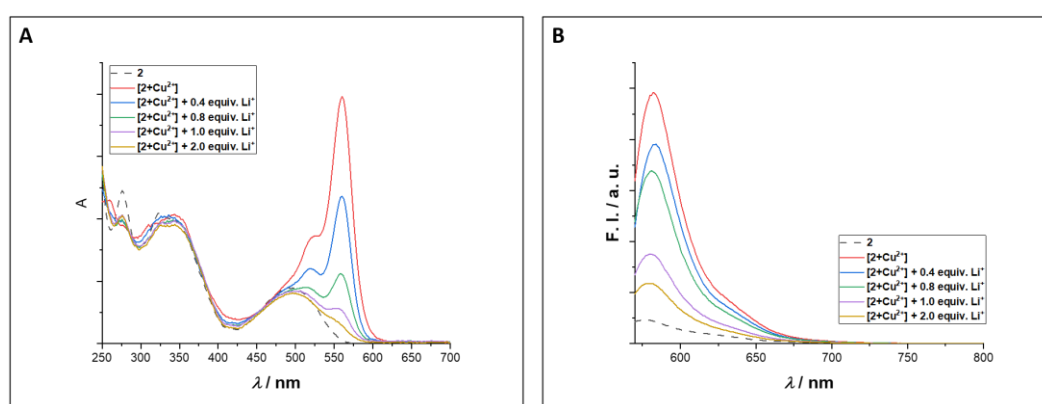


Figure S15. Absorbance (A) and fluorescence (B, using $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 560$ nm) spectra of chemosensor 2+Cu²⁺ with increasing concentrations of Li⁺ (up to 2 equiv.), using LiBr salt.

Absorbance and fluorescence measurements of chemosensors 1+Cu²⁺ and 2+Cu²⁺ in the presence of CN⁻

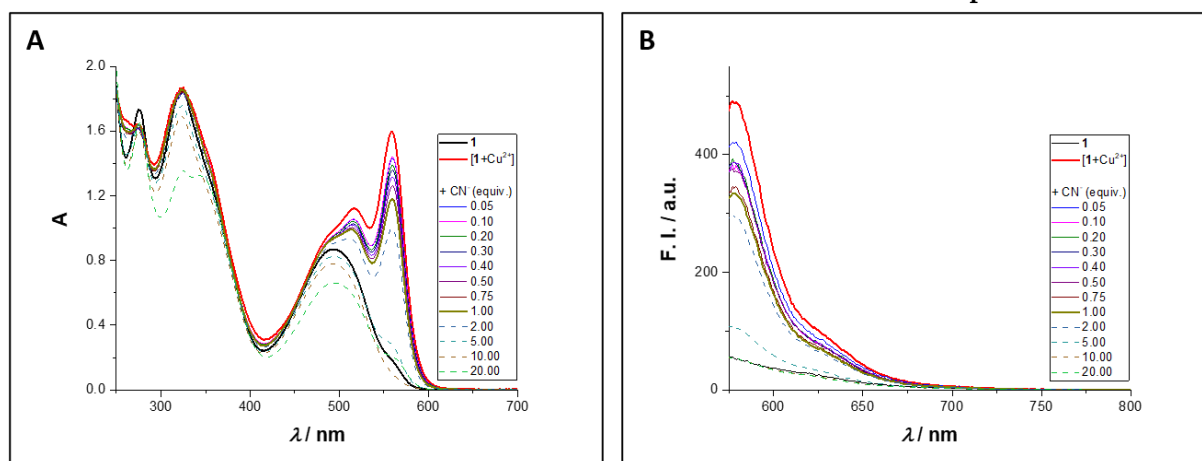


Figure S16. Absorbance (A) and fluorescence (B, using $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 560$ nm) spectra of chemosensor 1+Cu²⁺ with increasing concentrations of CN⁻ (up to 20 equiv.).

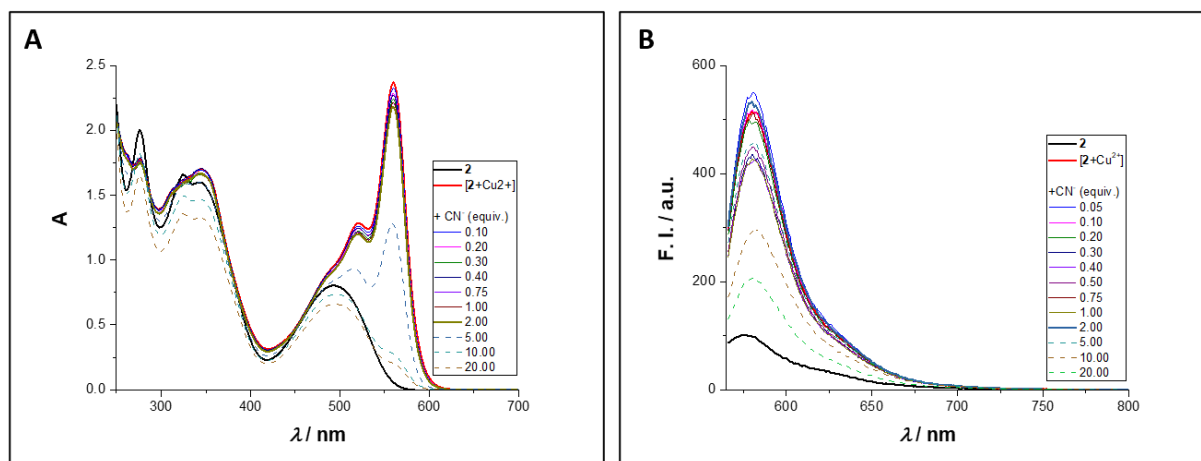


Figure S17. Absorbance (A) and fluorescence (B, using $\lambda_{exc} = 560$ nm) spectra of chemosensor **2**+Cu²⁺ with increasing concentrations of CN⁻ (up to 20 equiv.).

The results showed that upon addition of CN⁻ (up to 1 equiv.) to a solution of **1**+Cu²⁺, a small decrease in the absorbance band at 560 nm and in the emission intensity at 577 nm was observed, around 30% (Figure S17). This is not the case for **2**+Cu²⁺ where the decrease is not relevant when 2 equiv. of CN⁻ are added (Figure S17). Further increase in CN⁻ up to 20 equiv. reveal a more significative decrease both in absorption and emission for both **1**+Cu²⁺ and **2**+Cu²⁺, however the decrease is, in general, not linearly correlated with the increase in CN⁻ concentration. For both chemosensors, the addition of 5 equiv. or more of CN⁻ concentration also caused the decrease in the absorption band at 493 nm.

Stern-Volmer graphical representations of chemosensor **1+Cu²⁺ in the presence of CN⁻**

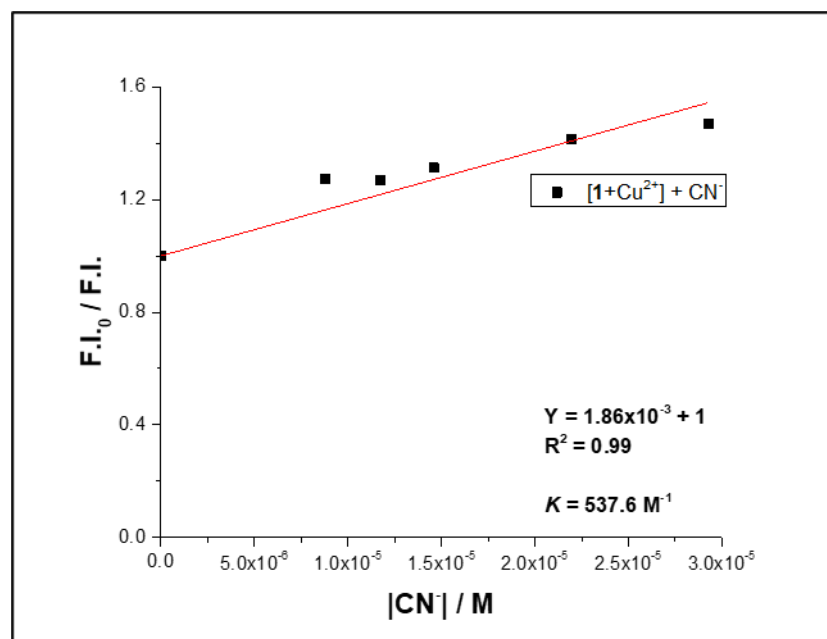


Figure S18. Stern-Volmer graphical representation for the complex **1**+Cu²⁺ in the presence of CN⁻.