

## Supporting Information

# A Switch-Based Biosensor for the Detection and Imaging of Hg(II) in vivo by Glutathione Functionalized Gold Nanoparticles

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## Captions of Supporting Figures

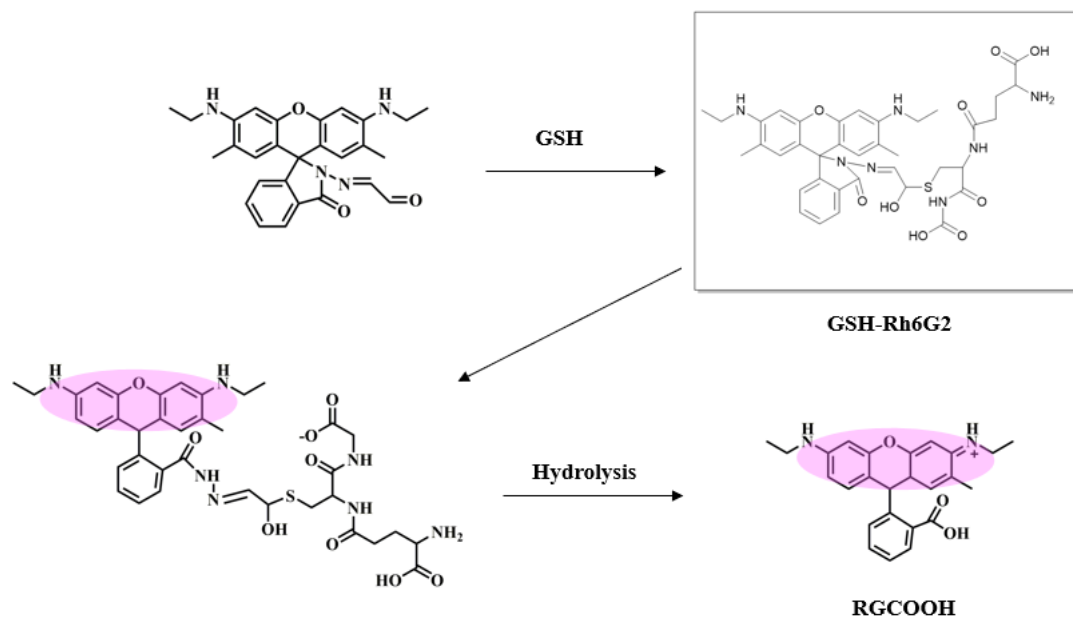
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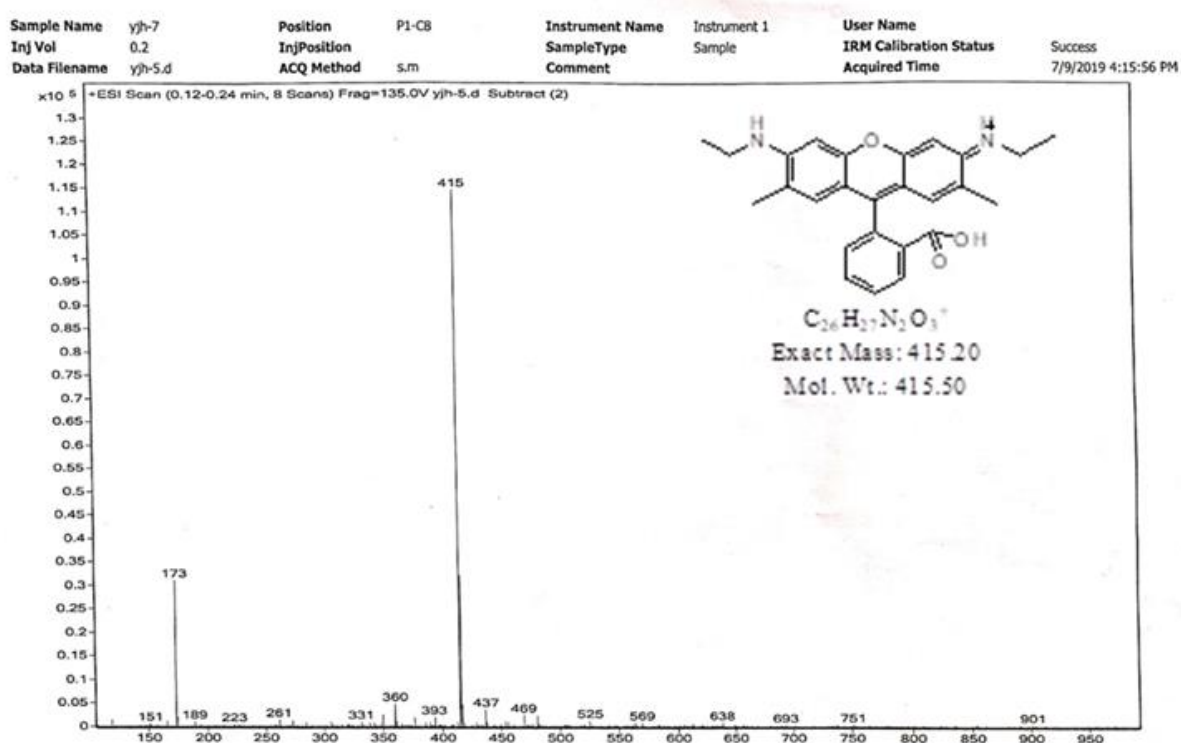
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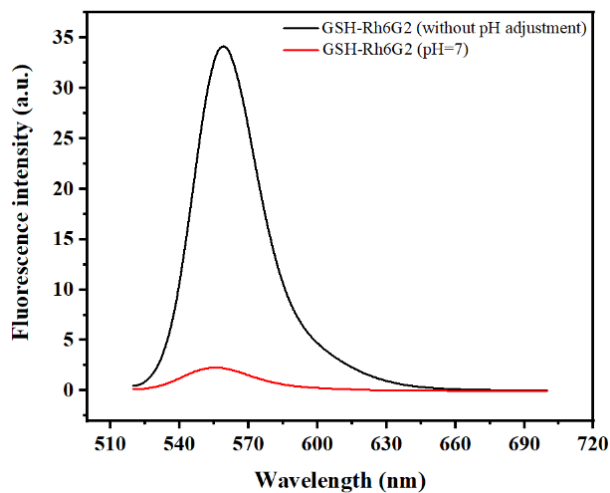
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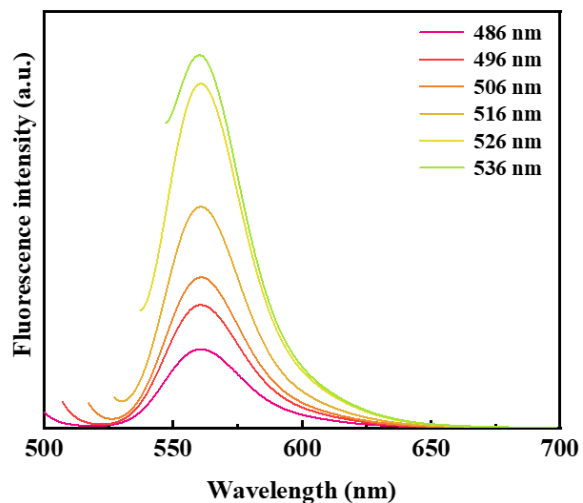
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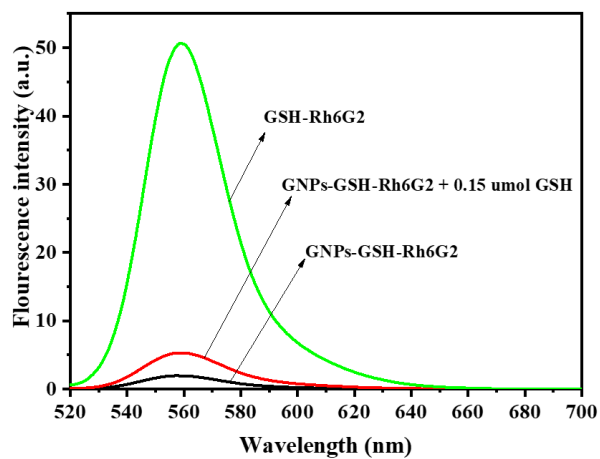
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