



## Supplementary material

# Non-cytotoxic Dibenzylated and Difluoroborate Curcuminoid Fluorophores Allow Visualization of Nucleus or Cytoplasm in Bioimaging.

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#### Single-crystal X-ray diffraction (DXR).

C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (2) is monoclinic, *P*2<sub>1/c</sub>. The unit-cell dimensions at 298(2) K are a = 25.6927(6), b = 5.3062(1), c = 21.2649(5) Å,  $b = 95.305(1)^{\circ}$ , V = 2886.64(11) Å<sup>3</sup>, Dx = 1.262 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, and Z = 4. R = 0.0484 for 5910 reflections.

C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>6</sub> (3) is monoclinic, *P*2<sub>1/c</sub>. The unit-cell dimensions at 298(2) K are a = 5.1310(2), b = 39.3890(17), c = 16.7129(7) Å,  $b = 92.505(3)^{\circ}$ , V = 3374.5(2) Å<sup>3</sup>, Dx = 1.257 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, and Z = 4. R = 0.0552 for 6917 reflections.

 $C_{35}$  H<sub>31</sub> B F<sub>2</sub> O<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub> N **(5)** is triclinic, *P*-1. The unit-cell dimensions at 150K are *a* = 10.3764(5) *b* = 11.1704(5), *c* = 15.1531(7) Å, *b* = 101.153(1)°, *V* = 1595.18 (13) Å<sup>3</sup>, *D*x = 1.327 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, and *Z* = 2. *R* = 0.0604 for 9355 reflections.



Figure S1. Crystal structure of compound 3. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50 % probability.

Molecular structures of compound **2** and compound **3** (Figure S1) are formed by two benzyloxy-methoxyphenyl side chains interconnected by a hepta-1,6-diene-3,5-dione moiety and the chain is highly conjugated among the 7 carbon atoms and are almost coplanar. Dihedral angle of compound **2** between planes C1-C5 and C6-C7 is 15.31° and the total twist of the molecule is indicated by the angle of 27.93° between ring plane C8-C13 and ring C22-C27. In compound **3** an additional benzyl side chain is connected to the moiety at C4 atom and dihedral angle between planes C1-C3 and C4-C7 is 14.29°. Besides the molecular structures are in agreement with <sup>1</sup>H NMR and IR spectroscopy that both exist as the enol tautomer in the asymmetric unit and are stabilized by resonance assisted hydrogen bonding (RAHB)[1].

The structure of compound **4** was determined using its diffraction pattern at low resolution (Figure S2). Its structure has been already determined although it has an unsatisfactory R-value of 12. The crystals obtained were small and did not diffract well (see CheckCIF). In order to solve this situation the structure of this compound was characterized by NMR and spectroscopic methods. The results obtained indicated that the carbonyls groups are in anti positions and also point out that the feature of this compound is its non-coplanarity, which is in agreement with the findings reported previously [2–4].



Figure S2. Crystal structure of compound 4. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50 % probability.

The structure of compound **5** confirm the complex BF<sub>2</sub> in the keto-enol system and the coordination is almost symmetric between two oxygen atoms the distances B-O are 1.307 Å and 1.313 Å respectively, each molecule interact with two molecules adjacent via H-F contact at 2.508 Å and 2.369 Å (**Figure S3**) as was reported[5] in other CUR-BF<sub>2</sub> adducts, one acetonitrile molecule is present in the asymmetric unit. In addition, the coplanarity in the heptanoid chain (C1-C7) is preserved.



Figure S3. Interactions H-F of compound 5.

 Table S1. Structure factors of Compound 2

 Datablock: 025EHR15

Bond precision:	C-C = 0.0033 A	Wavelength=1.54178		
Cell:	a=25.6927(6) alpha=90	b=5.3062(1 beta=95.30	) 5(1)	c=21.2649(5) gamma=90
Temperature:	298 K			-
	Calculated	H	Reported	
Volume	2886.64(11)	2	2886.64(11	L)
Space group	P 21/c	I	21/c	
Hall group	-P 2ybc	-	-P 2ybc	
Moiety formula	C35 H32 O6	C	C35 H32 O6	5
Sum formula	C35 H32 O6	C	C35 H32 O6	5
Mr	548.61	5	548.60	
Dx,g cm-3	1.262	1	.262	
Z	4	4	1	
Mu (mm-1)	0.692	(	.692	
F000	1160.0	1	160.0	
F000'	1163.58			
h,k,lmax	32,6,26	3	32,6,26	
Nref	5947	5	5910	
Tmin,Tmax	0.904,0.981	(	.762,0.98	31
Tmin'	0.750			
Correction method= # Reported T Limits: Tmin=0.762 Tmax=0.981 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN				
Data completene:	ss= 0.994	Theta(max	()= 74.799	)
R(reflections)=	0.0484( 3265)	wR2(refle	ections)=	0.1376( 5910)
S = 1.008	Npar=	375		

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3 ALERT type 3 Indicator that the structure quality may be low

2 ALERT type 4 Improvement, methodology, query or suggestion 0 ALERT type 5 Informative message, check

Datablock 025EHR15 - ellipsoid plot



Figure S4. Ellipsoid Plot of Compound 2

Table S2. Structure factors of Compound 3

## Datablock: 437EHR14

Bond precision C-C = 0.0042 AWavelength=1.54178 Cell a=5.1310(2) b=3-.38-0(17) c=16.712-(7) alpha=-0 beta=-2.505(3) gamma=-0 Temperature 2-8 K Calculated Reported Volume 3374.5(2) 3374.5(2)Space group P 21/c P 21/c Hall group -P 2ybc -P 2ybc Moiety formula C42 H38 O6 C42 H38 O6 Sum formula C42 H38 O6 C42 H38 O6 638.72 Mr 638.72 1.257 1.257 Dx, g cm-3  $\mathbf{z}$ 4 4 Mu (mm-1) 0.667 0.667 F000 1352.0 1352.0 F000' 1356.07 h,k,lmax 6,4-,20 6,4-,20 Nref 6-50 6-17 Tmin,Tmax 0.-51,0.-72 0.714,0.-71 Tmin' 0.807 Correction method= # Reported T Limits Tmin=0.714 Tmax=0.-71 AbsCorr = MULTI-SCAN Data completeness= 0.--5 Theta(max) = 74.836 R(reflections) = 0.0552( 3465) wR2(reflections) = 0.1486( 6-17) S = 0.-6Npar= 438

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test-name\_ALERT\_alert-type\_alert-level. Click on the hyperlinks for more details of the test. Alert level B PLAT331\_ALERT\_2\_B Small Aver Phenyl C-C Dist C16 -C21 . 1.35 Ang. PLAT355\_ALERT\_3\_B Long O-H (X0.82,N0.-8A) O2 - H2A . 1.08 Ang. PLAT772\_ALERT\_2\_B Suspect O-H Bond in CIF O1 - H2A .. 1.45 Ang. Alert level C PLAT241\_ALERT\_2\_C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C17 Check And 4 other PLAT241 Alerts PLAT241\_ALERT\_2\_C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C18 Check PLAT241\_ALERT\_2\_C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C20 Check PLAT241 ALERT 2 C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C21 Check PLAT241\_ALERT\_2\_C High 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C32 Check PLAT242 ALERT 2 C Low 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C16 Check And 2 other PLAT242 Alerts PLAT242\_ALERT\_2\_C Low 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C1 – Check PLAT242\_ALERT\_2\_C Low 'MainMol' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of C30 Check PLAT340\_ALERT\_3\_C Low Bond Precision on C-C Bonds ...... 0.0041- Ang.

PLAT480\_ALERT\_4\_C Long H...A H-Bond Reported H28B ..O2 . 2.62 Ang. PLAT-06\_ALERT\_3\_C Large K Value in the Analysis of Variance ...... 10.-35 Check PLAT-06\_ALERT\_3\_C Large K Value in the Analysis of Variance ...... 3.228 Check PLAT-11\_ALERT\_3\_C Missing FCF Refl Between Thmin & STh/L= 0.600 7 Report Alert level G PLAT-12\_ALERT\_4\_G Missing # of FCF Reflections Above STh/L= 0.600 27 Note PLAT-33\_ALERT\_2\_G Number of OMIT Records in Embedded .res File ... 1 Note PLAT-78\_ALERT\_2\_G Number C-C Bonds with Positive Residual Density. 1 Info 0 ALERT level A = Most likely a serious problem - resolve or explain 3 ALERT level B = A potentially serious problem, consider carefully 13 ALERT level C = Check. Ensure it is not caused by an omission or oversight 3 ALERT level G = General information/check it is not something unexpected 0 ALERT type 1 CIF construction/syntax error, inconsistent or missing data 12 ALERT type 2 Indicator that the structure model may be wrong or deficient 5 ALERT type 3 Indicator that the structure quality may be low 2 ALERT type 4 Improvement, methodology, query or suggestion 0 ALERT type 5 Informative message, check



Figure S4. Ellipsoid Plot of Compound 3

Table S3. Structure factors of Compound 4

## Datablock: 403EHR18

Bond precision:	C-C = 0.0110 A	Wavelength=0.71073	
Cell:	a=21.380(3)	b=5.6520(9)	c=31.432(5)
	alpha=90	beta=92.993(4)	gamma=90
Temperature:	100 K		
	Calculated	Reported	
Volume	3793.1(10)	3793.1(10)	
Space group	P 21/n	P 21/n	
Hall group	: -P 2yn	-P 2yn	
Moiety formula	C49 H44 O6	?	
Sum formula	C49 H44 O6	C49 H44 O6	i
Mr	728.84	728.84	
Dx,g cm-3	1.276	1.276	
Z	4	4	
Mu (mm-1)	0.083	0.083	
F000	1544.0	1544.0	
F000'	1544.72		
h,k,lmax	26,6,38	26,6,38	
Nref	7191	7085	
Tmin,Tmax	0.993,0.996		
Tmin'	0.964		
Correction method= Not given			
Data completene	ss= 0.985	Theta(max)= 25.694	l
R(reflections)=	0.1199( 1755)	wR2(reflections)=	0.1855( 7085)
S = 0.918	Npar=	498	

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Figure S5. Ellipsoid Plot of Compound 4

Table S4. Structure factors of Compound 5

## Datablock: 439EHR19

Bond precision	: C-C = 0.0028 A	Wavelen	gth=0.71073
Cell:	a=10.3764(5)	b=11.1704(5)	c=15.1531(7)
	alpha=93.950(1)	beta=101.153(1)	gamma=110.583(1)
Temperature:	150 K		
	Calculated	Report	ed
Volume	1595.18(13)	1595.1	8(13)
Space group	P -1	P -1	
Hall group	-P 1	-P 1	
Moiety formula	C35 H31 B F2 06	, C2 H3 N C35 H3	1 B F2 06, C2 H3 N
Sum formula	C37 H34 B F2 N	06 C37 H3	4 B F2 N O6
Mr	637.46	637.46	
Dx,g cm-3	1.327	1.327	
Z	2	2	
Mu (mm-1)	0.097	0.097	
F000	668.0	668.0	
F000'	668.37		
h,k,lmax	14,15,21	14,15,	21
Nref	9389	9355	
Tmin, Tmax	0.968,0.991	0.716,	0.746
Tmin'	0.963		
Correction met	hod= # Reported 1	Limits: Tmin=0.7	16 Tmax=0.746
AbsCorr = MULT	I-SCAN		
Data completen	ess= 0.996	Theta(max)= 30	.079
R(reflections)	= 0.0604( 6117)	wR2(reflection	us)= 0.1636( 9355)
S = 1.026	Npar	= 427	

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PLAT094\_ALERT\_2\_C Ratio of Maximum / Minimum Residual Density .... 2.43 Report PLAT097\_ALERT\_2\_C Large Reported Max. (Positive) Residual Density 0.69 eA-3

PLAT906\_ALERT\_3\_C Large K Value in the Analysis of Variance ...... 4.635 Check

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- 0 ALERT type 5 Informative message, check



Figure S6. Ellipsoid Plot of Compound 5

#### Cytotoxic activity in cell lines (assay).

Curcumin and derivatives **1-5**, were screened in vitro at 25 µg/mL against human cancer cell lines: U-251: central nervous system glia cancer, PC-3: prostate adenocarcinoma, K562: human chronic myelogenous leukemia, HCT-15: colon adenocarcinoma, MCF-7: human mammary adenocarcinoma, SKLU-1: human lung adenocarcinoma and COS-7 monkey kidney cell line (non-tumoral),. Cell lines were supplied by U.S. National Cancer Institute (NCI). The human tumor cytotoxicity was determined using the protein-binding dye sulforhodamine B (SRB) in microculture assay to measure cell growth, as described in the protocols established by the NCI [6]. The cell lines were cultured in RPMI-1640 medium supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum, 2 mM l-glutamine, 10,000 units/mL penicillin G sodium, 10,000 µg/mL streptomycin sulfate, 25 µg/mL amphotericin B (Invitrogen/Gibco<sup>TM</sup>, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA), and 1% non-essential amino acids (Gibco). They were maintained at 37 °C in a humidified atmosphere with 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. The viability of the cells used in the experiments exceeded 95% as determined with trypan blue.

Cytotoxicity after treatment with the test compounds of the normal and tumor cells was determined using the protein-binding dye sulforhodamine B (SRB) in microculture assay to measure cell growth, as described in a previous study [7,8]. The cells were removed from the tissue culture flasks by treatment with trypsin and diluted with fresh media. From these cell suspensions, 100 µL, containing 5000–10,000 cells per well, was pipetted into 96-well microtiter plates (Costar, Cambridge, MA, USA) and the material was incubated at 37 °C for 24 h in a 5% CO2 atmosphere. Subsequently, 100  $\mu$ L of a solution of the compound obtained by diluting the stocks was added to each well. The cultures were exposed for 48 h to the compound at concentrations of 25 µg/mL. After the incubation period, cells were fixed to the plastic substratum by the addition of 50  $\mu$ L of cold 50% aqueous trichloroacetic acid. The plates were incubated at 4 °C for 1 h, washed with tap H<sub>2</sub>O, and air-dried. The trichloroacetic-acid-fixed cells were stained by the addition of 0.4% SRB. Free SRB solution was removed by washing with 1% aqueous acetic acid. The plates were air-dried, and the bound dye was solubilized by the addition of 10 mM unbuffered Tris base (100  $\mu$ L). The plates were placed on a shaker for 10 min, and the absorption was determined at 515 nm using an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) plate reader (Bio-Tek Instruments, Winooski, VT, USA) and the mean of three independent measurements was obtained.

#### Inhibition of lipid peroxidation on rat brain (TBARS).

Adult male Wistar rats (200–250g) were provided by the Instituto de Fisiología Celular, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM). Procedures and care of animals were conducted in conformity with the Mexican Official Norm for Animal Care and Handling NOM-062-ZOO-1999. They were maintained at  $23 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C on a 12/12 h light-dark cycle with free access to food and water.

Animal sacrifices were carried out avoiding unnecessary pain. Rats were sacrificed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The cerebral tissue (whole brain), was rapidly dissected and homogenized in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) solution (0.2 g of KCl, 0.2 g of KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 8 g of NaCl, and 2.16 g of NaHPO<sub>4</sub>.7H<sub>2</sub>O/L, pH adjusted to 7.4) as described elsewhere[9,10] to produce a 1/10 (w/v) homogenate. The homogenate was then centrifuged for 10 min at 800 rcf (relative centrifugal field) to yield a pellet that was discarded. The supernatant protein content was measured using Folin and Ciocalteu's phenol reagent [11] and adjusted with PBS at 2.666 mg of protein/mL.

As an index of lipid peroxidation, TBARS levels were measured using rat brain homogenates according to the method described by Ng and co-workers[12], with some modifications. Supernatant (375  $\mu$ L) was added with 50  $\mu$ L of 20  $\mu$ M EDTA and 50  $\mu$ L of each sample concentration dissolved in DMSO (50  $\mu$ L of DMSO for control group) and incubated at 37 °C for 30 min. Lipid peroxidation was started adding 50  $\mu$ L of freshly prepared 100  $\mu$ M FeSO<sub>4</sub> solution (final concentrations 10  $\mu$ M and 100  $\mu$ M), and incubated at 37 °C for 1h. The TBARS content was determined as described by Ohkawa and co-workers [13].

#### Radical scavenging (DPPH) activity.

The free radical scavenging activity was measured using a modified method from Mellors and Tappel [14]. The tests were carried out on 96-well microplates. A 50 $\mu$ L aliquot of the solution of the test compounds were mixed with 150  $\mu$ L of an ethanol solution of DPPH (final concentrations 10  $\mu$ M and 100  $\mu$ M). This mixture was incubated at 37°C for 30 min, and the absorbance was then measured at 515 nm using a BioTek microplate reader SYNERGY HT. The inhibition percent for each compound was determined by comparison with a 100  $\mu$ M DPPH ethanol blank solution.

Table S5. TBARS and DPPH activity of compounds 1-5 compared with curcumin.				
Compound	TBARS		DPPH	
	(% of Inhibition)		(% of Inhibition)	
	10µM	100µM	10µM	100µM
CURCUMIN	94.55	96.64	25.49	94.21
1	56.26	96.37	11.72	77.51
2	10.78	36.74	1.15	8.28
3	6.29	13.83	9.58	26.53
4	6.89	9.13	-0.65	2.24
5	8.19	21.0	0.71	11.3

### UV Spectra of compounds 1-5



Figure S7. UV spectum of compound 1





Figure S9. UV spectum of compound 3



Figure S11. UV spectum of compound 5



Standard curves of compounds 2 and 5 (Log P).



Figure S13. Standard curve of compound 5

Infrared spectra of compounds 1-5



Figure S15. IR spectrum of compound 2



Figure S17. IR spectrum of compound 4



Figure S19. Mass spectrum of compound 1







Figure S21. Mass spectrum of compound 3



Figure S22. Mass spectrum of compound 4



Figure S23. Mass spectrum of compound 5



Figure S24. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 1 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 500MHz)



Figure S25. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 1 aromatic section (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 500MHz)



Figure S26. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 1 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 125MHz)







Figure S29. HSQC spectrum of compound 1 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>-500MHz)





Figure S31. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 2 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 500MHz)



Figure S32. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 2 aromatic section (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 500MHz)









Figure S36. HSQC spectrum of compound 2 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>-500MHz)







Figure S39. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 3 aromatic section (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 500MHz)



Figure S40. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 3 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 125MHz)





Figure S42. HSQC spectrum of compound 3 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>-500MHz)







Figure S45. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 4 aromatic section (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 500MHz)



Figure S46. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 4 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- 125MHz)



Figure S47. DEPT-135 spectrum of compound 4 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)





Figure S49. HSQC spectrum of compound 4 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>-500MHz)



Figure S50. HMBC spectrum of compound 4 (CDCl<sub>3-500MHz</sub>)



Figure S51. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 5 (DMSO-*d6*- 500MHz)



Figure S52. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 5 (DMSO-*d*6- 125MHz)









Confocal microscopy analysis of curcumin derivative compound 2



**Figure S57.** Confocal microscopy analysis of curcumin derivative Compound **2** at 20μ M, after 24 hrs of exposure with dye; a, d represent bright field, b,e, represent fluorescence and c, f merged images, a-c staining in SVG cell line, d-f staining in U-87 cell line. Laser used 405 nm.



**Figure S58.** Confocal microscopy analysis of curcumin derivative Compound **2** at 20  $\mu$ M, after 24 hrs of exposure with dye; a represents bright field, b represents fluorescence and c, merged images, a-c staining in SVG cell line. Laser used 405 nm.

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