

## Supplementary Information

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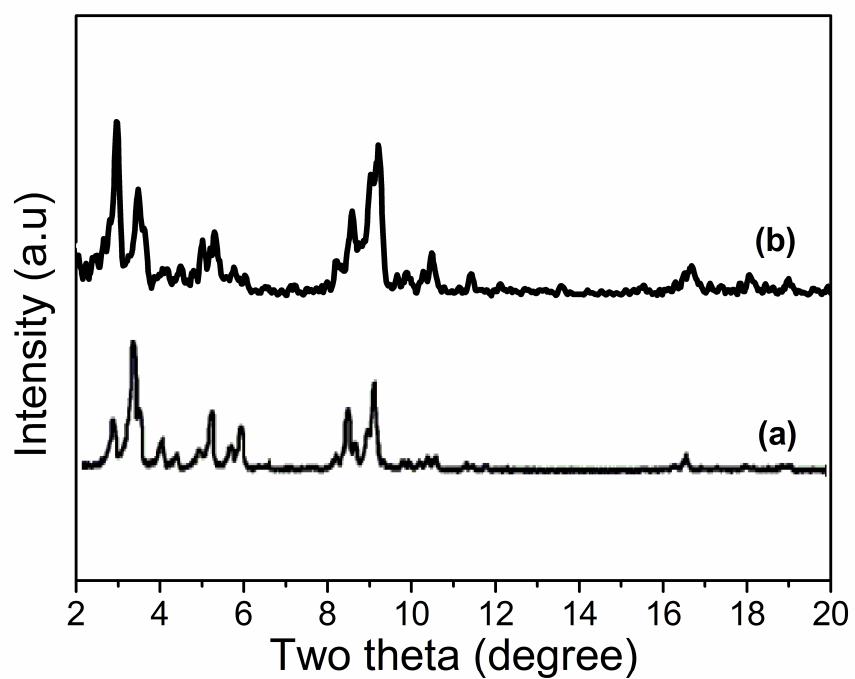
### Metal-organic framework MIL-101 as a low background signal platform for label-free DNA detection

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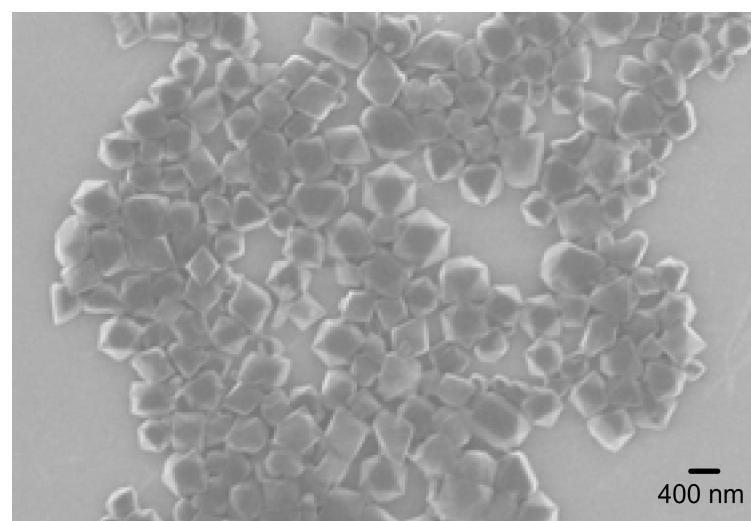
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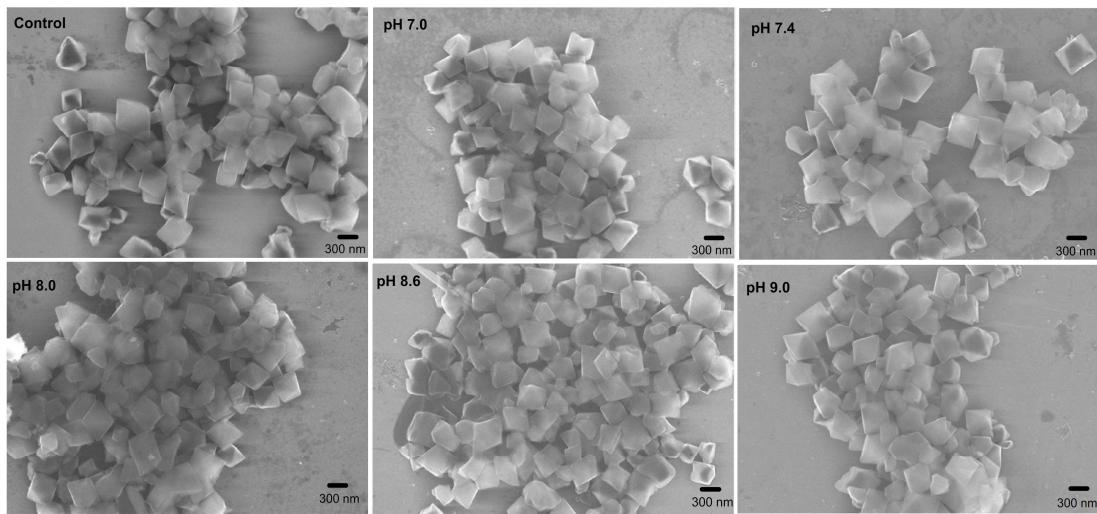
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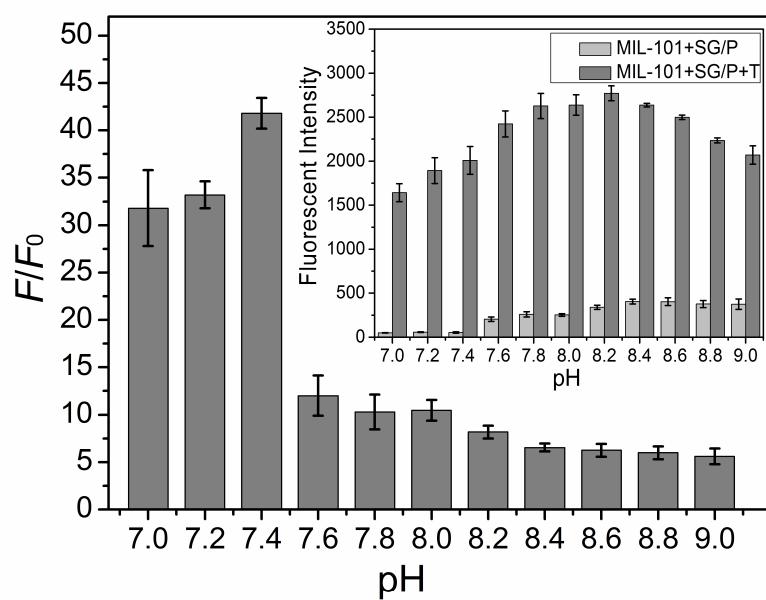
**Fig. S1** The powder XRD spectra of MIL-101: (a) simulated; (b) the as-synthesized.



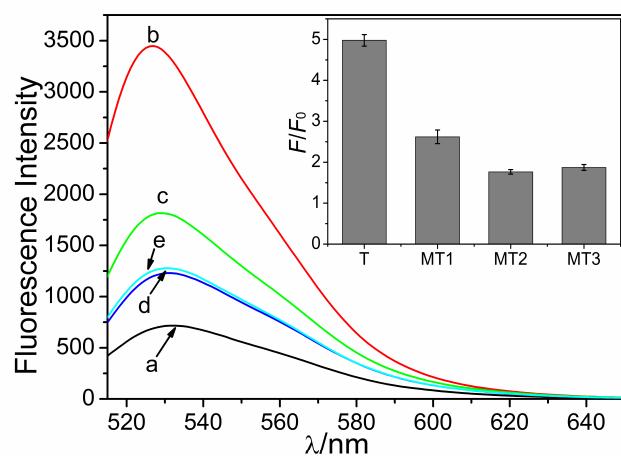
**Fig. S2** The SEM image of as-synthesized MIL-101.



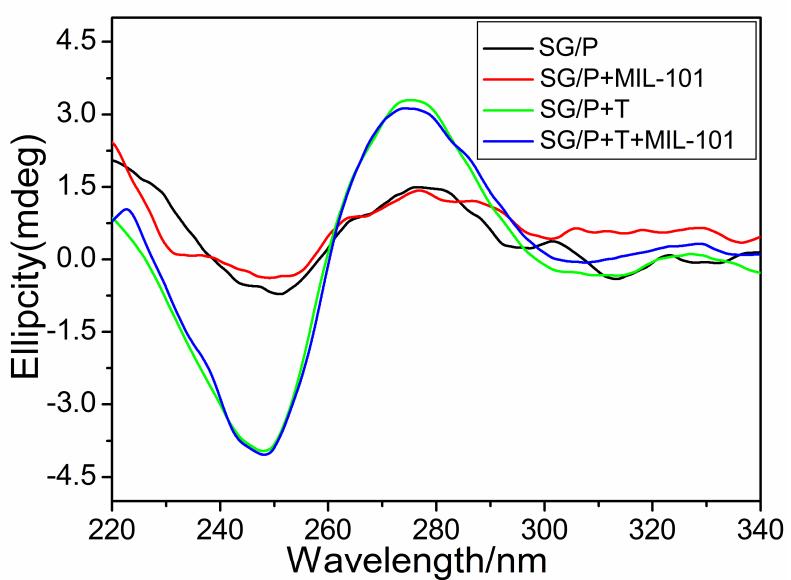
**Fig. S3** The SEM images of MIL-101 after being soaked in different pH values of Tris-HCl buffer solution over 1 h.



**Fig. S4** The signal-to-background ratio ( $F/F_0$ ) at different pH values of Tris-HCl buffer. Inset: Fluorescence intensity of SG at different pH values of Tris-HCl buffer. Key: light gray columns, without T; dark gray columns, 10 nM T. Concentrations: P, 20 nM; SG, 0.245  $\mu\text{M}$ ; MIL-101, 48  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ .



**Fig. S5** Fluorescence emission spectra of SG/P under different conditions: (a) SG/P; (b) SG/P + 10 nM T; (c) SG/P + 10 nM MT1; (d) SG/P + 10 nM MT2; (e) SG/P + 10 nM MT3. Inset: the singal-to-backgroud ratio ( $F/F_0$ ) histogram. Concentrations: SG, 0.245  $\mu\text{M}$ ; P, 20 nM. Tris-HCl buffer, pH 7.4.



**Fig. S6** Circular dichroism of P in the absence and presence of T, MIL-101, respectively.

Concentrations: P, 1.2  $\mu$ M; T, 1.2  $\mu$ M; SG, 0.245  $\mu$ M; MIL-101, 48  $\mu$ g mL $^{-1}$ . Tris-HCl, pH 7.4.