

**“Host-guest” binding of luminescent dinuclear Au(I) complex based on cyclic diphosphine with organic substrates as a reason for luminescence tuneability**

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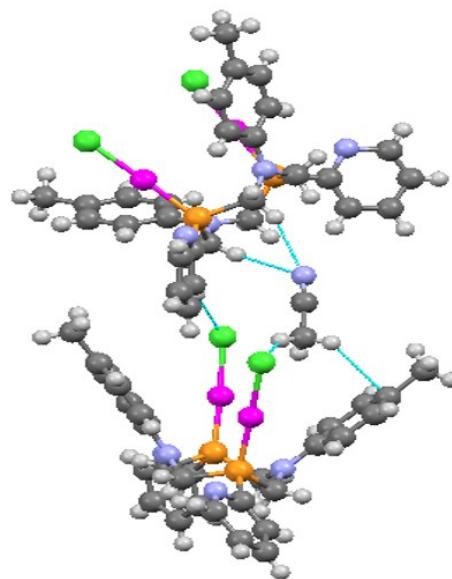
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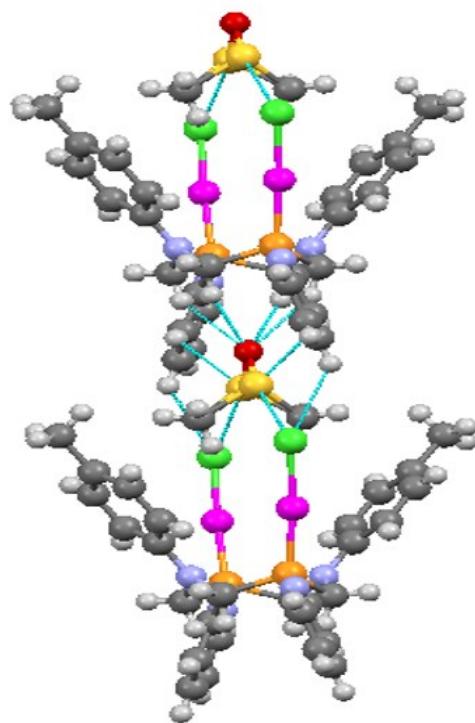
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**Table S1** Crystallographic data for  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}\cdot\text{AN}$  and  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}\cdot\text{DMSO}$ .

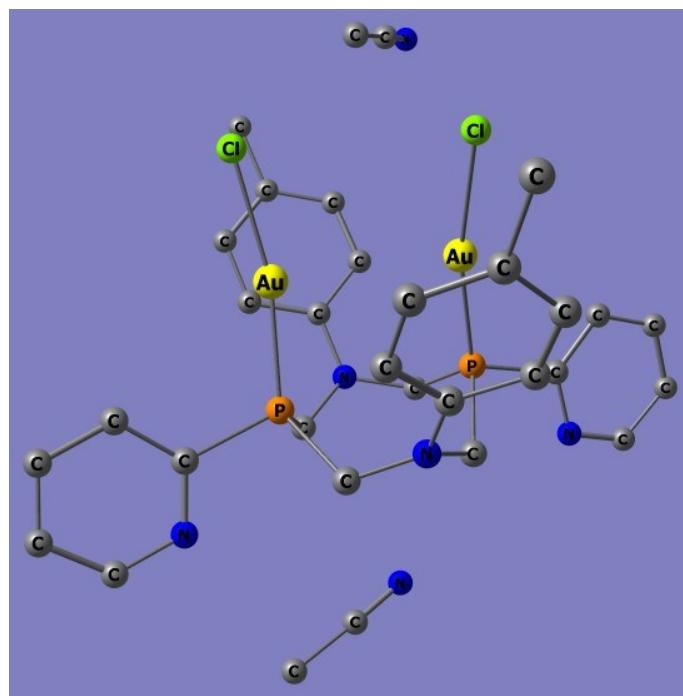
Compound	$(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}\cdot\text{AN}$	$(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}\cdot\text{DMSO}$
Formula	$\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{30}\text{Au}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_4\text{P}_2$ , $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{N}$	$\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{30}\text{Au}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_4\text{P}_2$ , $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{OS}$
Formula weight	990.39	1027.48
Crystal System		Monoclinic
$a$ (Å)	20.270(8)	8.9621(12)
$b$ (Å)	18.845(11)	10.9006(15)
$c$ (Å)	20.136(8)	17.225(2)
$\beta$ (°)	119.588(6)	97.285(2)
$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )	6689(5)	1669.2(4)
Space group	C2/c	P2/c
$Z$ ( $Z'$ )	8 (1)	2 (1/2) Molecules on a special position on axe 2
$D_{\text{calc}}$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.967	2.044
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	9.046	9.128
Temperature (K)	296(2)	296(2)
Crystal size (mm <sup>3</sup> )	0.10 × 0.10 × 0.20	0.2 × 0.1 × 0.12
Radiation, $\lambda$ (Å)		MoK $\alpha$ , 0.71073
Angle range $\theta$ (°)	1.6–23.5	1.9–26.0
Dataset	-23: 24 ; -22: 22 ; -24: 24	-11: 11 ; -13: 13 ; -21: 21
Total reflections	21538	12508
Unique reflections	6194	3289
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.088	0.048
Observed data [ $I > 2.0 \sigma(I)$ ]	4025	2765
Refinement		
$N_{\text{ref}}, N_{\text{par}}$	6194, 373	3289, 197
$R_1$ ( $ F_o  \geq 4\sigma_F$ )	0.0519	0.0353
$wR_2$ ( $ F_o  \geq 4\sigma_F$ )	0.1634	0.0869
$R_1$ (all data)	0.1054	0.0461
$wR_2$ (all data)	0.2044	0.0920
$S$	1.044	1.063
$\rho_{\text{min}}, \rho_{\text{max}}$ , e/Å <sup>3</sup>	-2.557, 3.676	-1.097, 1.978



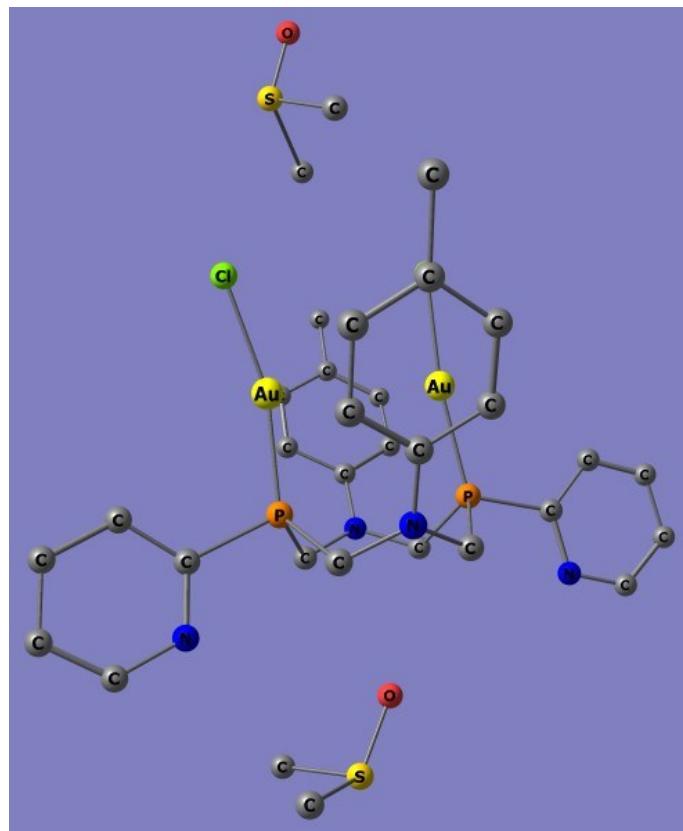
**Fig. S1** X-ray structure of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  with AN, where short contacts are designated as blue lines.



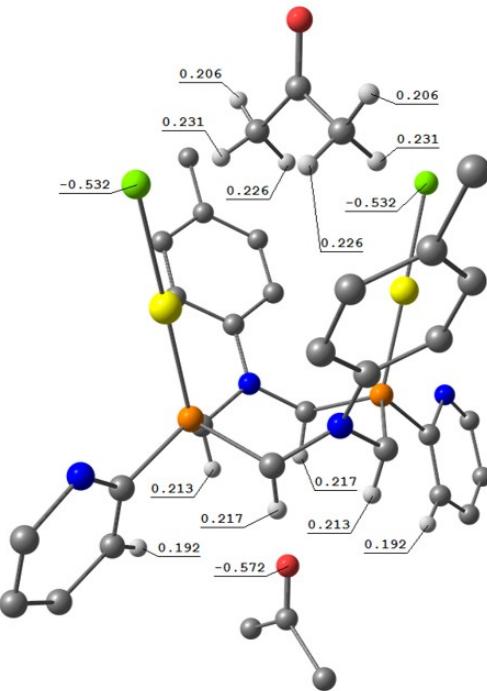
**Fig. S2** X-ray structure of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  with DMSO, where short contacts are designated as blue lines.



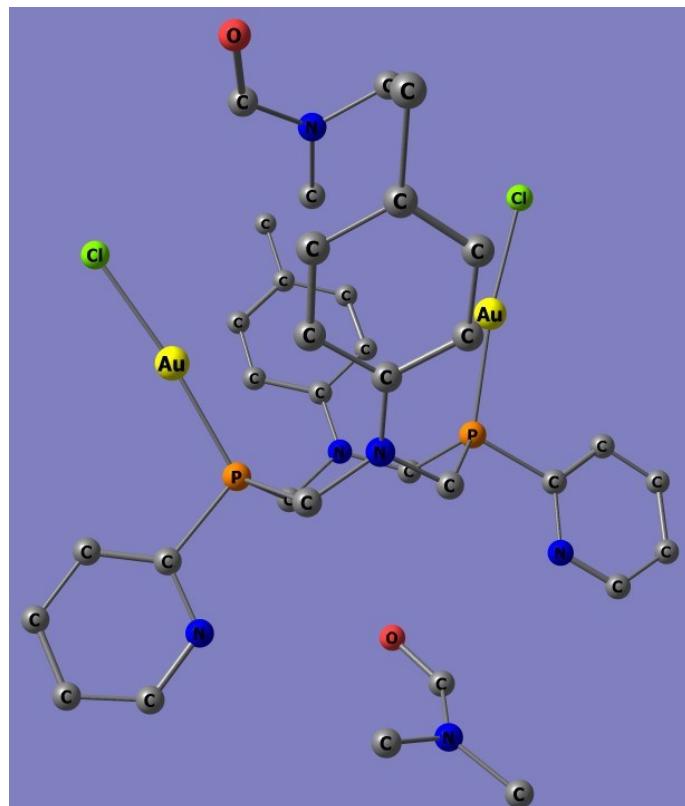
**Fig. S3** The lowest energy PBE0/def-TZVP optimized structure of complex of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  with two acetonitrile molecules. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



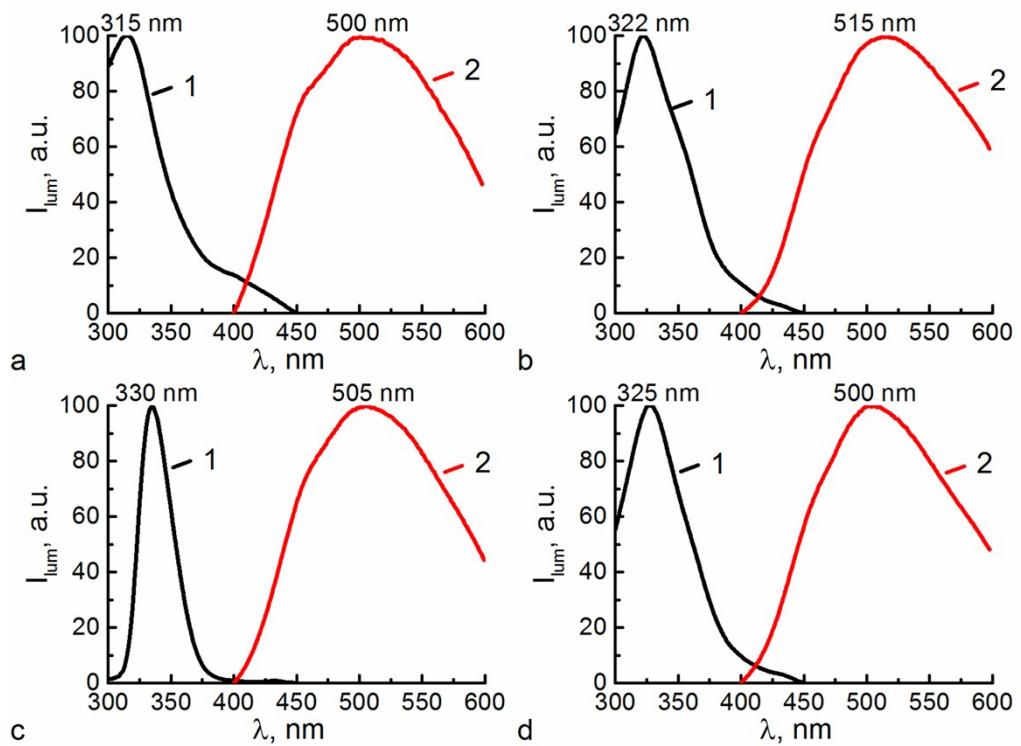
**Fig. S4** The lowest energy PBE0/def-TZVP optimized structure of complex of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  with two DMSO molecules. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



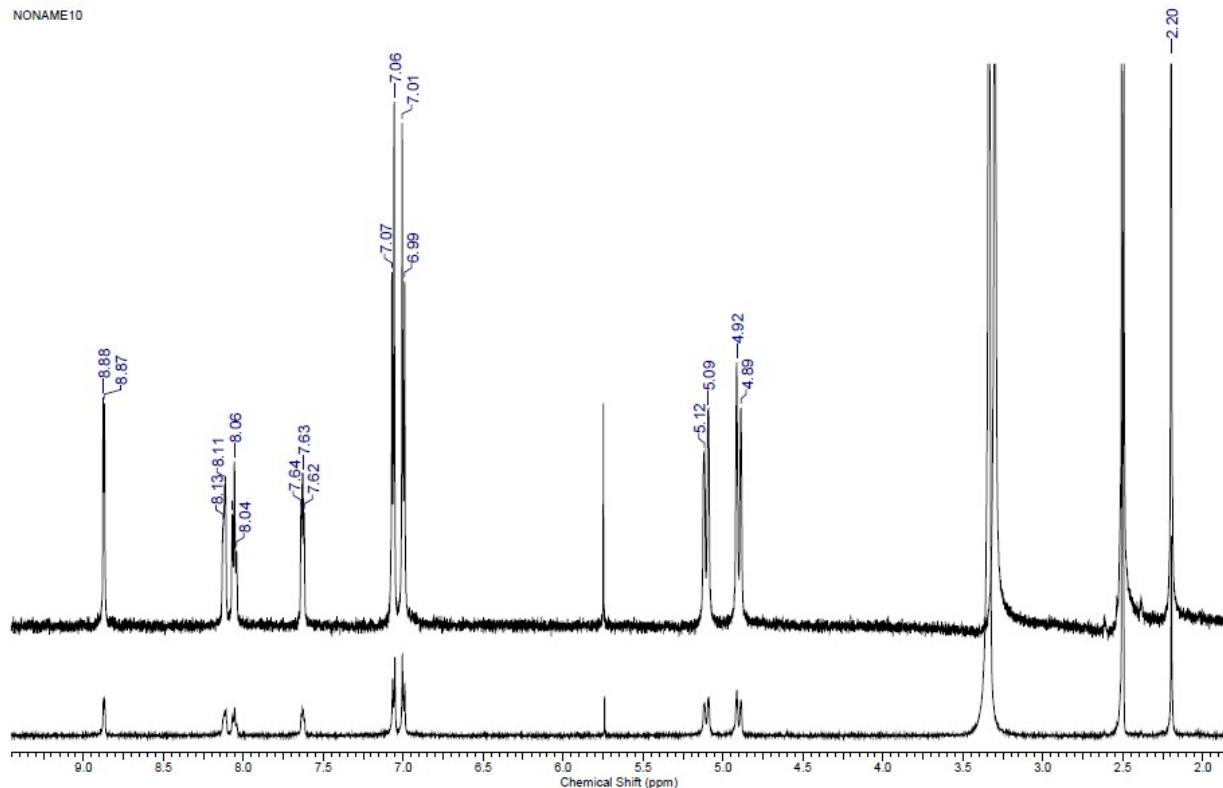
**Fig. S5** The lowest energy PBE0/def-TZVP optimized structure of complex of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  with two acetone molecules. Hydrogen atoms that do not participate in the formation of the complex are omitted for clarity. Natural bond orbital charges on some atoms are shown.



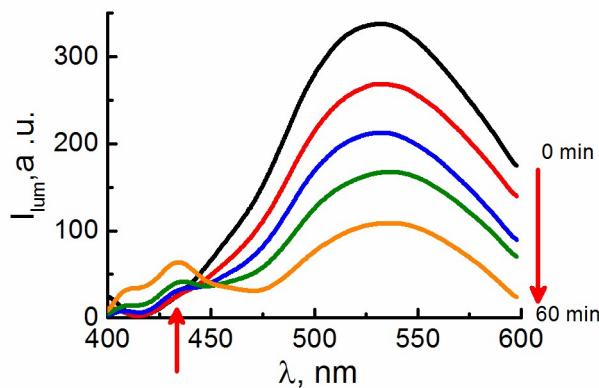
**Fig. S6** The lowest energy PBE0/def-TZVP optimized structure of complex of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  with two DMF molecules. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



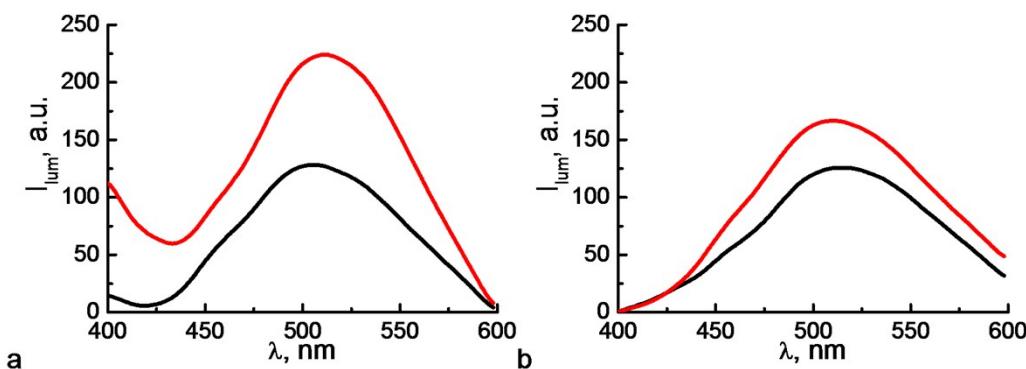
**Fig. S7** Normalized excitation (1,  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 500 \text{ nm}$ ) and emission (2,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 340 \text{ nm}$ ) spectra of solutions of L in DCM (a), AN (b), acetone (c) and DMSO (d). C(L) = 0.2 mM



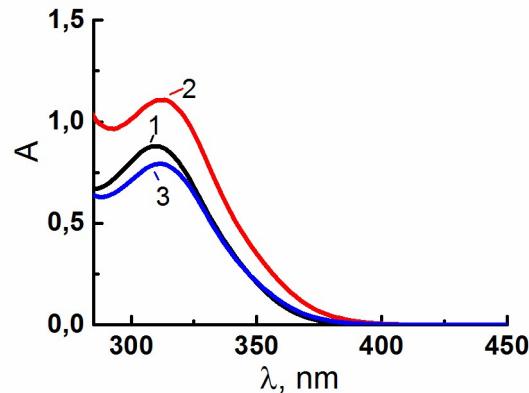
**Fig. S8**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ) of complex  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  within one hour (top) and seven days after (bottom) the sample preparation.



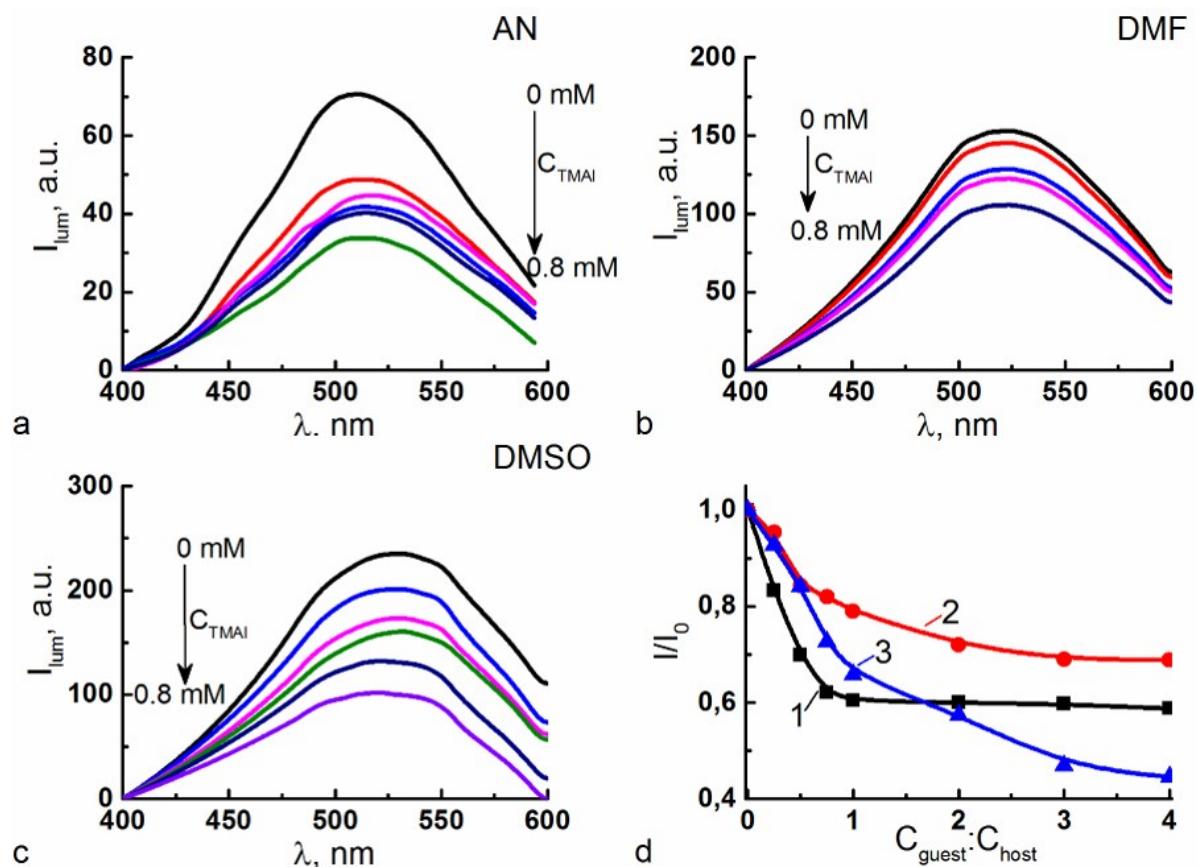
**Fig. S9** Emission spectra of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  in DMSO at time storage of solution from 0 (black line) to 60 (orange line) minutes.  $C((\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}) = 0.2 \text{ mM}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 340 \text{ nm}$ .



**Fig. S10** Emission spectra of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  in acetone (a) and DMF (b) before (black line) and after (red line) deaeration of solutions by argon bubbling.  $C((\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}) = 0.2 \text{ mM}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 340 \text{ nm}$ .



**Fig. S11** Absorbance spectra of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  in AN (1), DMSO (2) and DMF (3).  $C((\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}) = 0.05 \text{ mM}$ .



**Fig. S12** (a-c) Emission spectra of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  (0.2 mM) at various concentrations (0–0.8 mM) of TMAI (guest) in AN (a), DMF (b) and DMSO (c). (d)  $I/I_0$  of  $(\text{AuCl})_2\text{L}$  (host) versus guest:host concentration ratio in AN (1), DMF (2) and DMSO (3) solutions.  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 340 \text{ nm}$ ,  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 500 \text{ nm}$ .