

Supporting information for

**Eight Zn(II) and Cd(II) complexes based on the aromatic C-centered triangular multicarboxylate and N-donor mixed ligands**

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**Table S1.** Crystallographic data and structural refinement details for **1-8**.

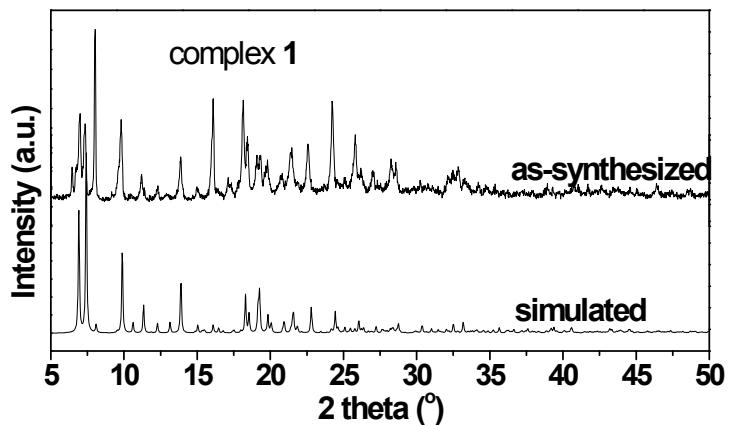
Complexes	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Formula	C <sub>143</sub> H <sub>123</sub> O <sub>33</sub> N <sub>13</sub> Zn <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>37</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>9</sub> Zn <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>37</sub> H <sub>27</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>9</sub> Zn <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>56</sub> H <sub>40</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>16</sub> Zn <sub>3</sub>
Formula weight	3074.50	790.37	788.36	1193.01
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
Space group	P <sub>2</sub> <sub>1</sub> /c	P <sub>2</sub> <sub>1</sub> /c	P <sub>2</sub> <sub>1</sub> /c	P <sub>1</sub>
<i>a</i> (Å)	11.0265(16)	11.4877(12)	14.3130(18)	9.405(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	13.461(2)	14.3195(14)	23.533(2)	13.541(3)
<i>c</i> (Å)	25.8071(19)	24.3237(15)	10.1409(13)	14.045(2)
$\alpha$ (°)	90.00	90.00	90.00	116.75(2)
$\beta$ (°)	98.093(2)	99.615(2)	100.919(2)	90.123(10)
$\gamma$ (°)	90.00	90.00	90.00	106.568(18)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	3792.3(8)	3945.0(6)	3354.0(7)	1513.0(6)
<i>Z</i>	1	4	4	1
<i>D</i> <sub>calc</sub> (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.346	1.331	1.561	1.309
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	1.317	1.269	1.492	1.243
<i>F</i> (000)	1576	1616	1608	608
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , $\omega R$ <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0553, 0.1463	0.0402, 0.1054	0.0361, 0.1058	0.0404, 0.1118
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , $\omega R$ <sub>2</sub> [all data]	0.0691, 0.1485	0.0844, 0.1248	0.0511, 0.1087	0.0712, 0.1186
GOF	1.019	1.052	1.012	1.004
Complexes	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Formula	C <sub>50</sub> H <sub>44</sub> Cd <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>16</sub>	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>34</sub> Cd <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	C <sub>56</sub> H <sub>36</sub> Cd <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	C <sub>70</sub> H <sub>56</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>16</sub> Cd <sub>3</sub>
Formula weight	1266.07	1240.03	1266.07	1574.40
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic
Space group	P <sub>2</sub> /n	P <sub>2</sub> /n	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>1</sub>
<i>a</i> (Å)	14.054(3)	13.3405(13)	9.3767(15)	13.179(2)
<i>b</i> (Å)	25.465(2)	9.3835(12)		13.630(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	17.291(3)	23.3073(13)	14.0167(14)	13.915(2)
$\alpha$ (°)	90.00	90.00	63.182(3)	64.597(3)
$\beta$ (°)	90.00	90.00	89.797(3)	79.867(4)
$\gamma$ (°)	102.384(3)	94.221(3)	73.3358(14)	64.592(3)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	6044.0(17)	2909.7(5)	1503.2(3)	2039.4(6)
<i>Z</i>	4	2	1	1
<i>D</i> <sub>calc</sub> (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.391	1.415	1.399	1.282
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	1.105	1.142	1.107	0.83
<i>F</i> (000)	2520	1224	626	790
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , $\omega R$ <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0437, 0.1035	0.0462, 0.1262	0.0422, 0.0993	0.0532, 0.1116
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , $\omega R$ <sub>2</sub> [all data]	0.0568, 0.1058	0.0492, 0.1274	0.0524, 0.1030	0.0669, 0.1154
GOF	1.039	0.887	1.056	1.060

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for **1-8**.

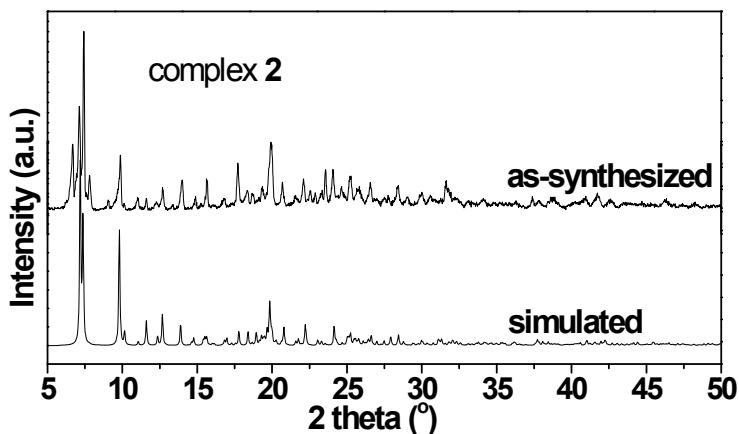
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Zn1-O2	2.199(3)	Zn1-N1	2.198(3)
Zn1-O4	1.935(3)	Zn1-N2	2.129(3)
Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>	1.935(2)	Zn1-O1	2.082(2)
Zn1-O7 <sup>v</sup>	2.111(3)	Zn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	2.117(3)
Zn2-O1	2.119(3)	Zn1-O2	2.119(3)
Zn2-O3	2.134(3)	Zn1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	2.160(3)
Zn2-O7	2.077(3)	Zn2-O1	1.992(3)
Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	2.111(3)	Zn2-O3	2.040(2)
Zn2-N1	2.122(3)	Zn2-O5 <sup>iv</sup>	1.958(3)
Zn2-N2	2.151(3)	Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	1.932(3)
O2-Zn1-O4	106.97(12)	N1-Zn1-N2	78.98(12)
O2-Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>	107.58(11)	N1-Zn1-O1	99.75(12)
O2-Zn1-O7	111.13(11)	N1-Zn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	100.51(12)
O4-Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>	117.93(11)	N1-Zn1-O2	74.26(11)
O4-Zn1-O7	106.27(11)	N1-Zn1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	166.74(11)
O6 <sup>vi</sup> -Zn1-O7	106.97(11)	N2-Zn1-O1	178.14(12)
N1-Zn2-N2	77.87(13)	N2-Zn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	96.65(11)
N1-Zn2-O1	87.69(11)	N2-Zn1-O2	94.83(11)
N1-Zn2-O3	91.93(11)	N2-Zn1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	88.20(11)
N1-Zn2-O7	174.60(12)	O1-Zn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	82.21(10)
N1-Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	96.01(11)	O1-Zn1-O2	86.10(10)
N2-Zn2-O1	81.16(12)	O1-Zn1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	93.15(10)
N2-Zn2-O3	166.78(12)	O1 <sup>i</sup> -Zn1-O2	166.22(10)
N2-Zn2-O7	98.22(12)	O1 <sup>i</sup> -Zn1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	84.18(10)
N2-Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	104.21(12)	O2-Zn1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	103.80(10)
O1-Zn2-O3	90.14(11)	O1-Zn2-O3	113.38(10)
O1-Zn2-O7	95.43(10)	O1-Zn2-O5 <sup>iv</sup>	110.66(11)
O1-Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	174.00(10)	O1-Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	110.65(12)
O3-Zn2-O7	92.47(10)	O3-Zn2-O5 <sup>iv</sup>	89.97(11)
O3-Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	85.02(11)	O3-Zn2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	122.95(12)
Zn1-N1		2.170(3)	Zn1-N1
Zn1-N2		2.091(3)	Zn1-O1
Zn1-N3		2.155(3)	Zn1-O2
Zn1-O1		1.916(2)	Zn1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>
Zn1-O1 <sup>w</sup>		2.079(2)	Zn1-O3 <sup>v</sup>
Zn1-O7 <sup>iii</sup>		2.153(2)	Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>
Zn2-O1		1.930(2)	Zn2-O1
Zn2-O2		2.043(2)	Zn2-O1 <sup>viii</sup>
N1-Zn1-N2		74.65(11)	Zn2-O4 <sup>v</sup>
N1-Zn1-N3		149.90(11)	Zn2-O4 <sup>vii</sup>
N1-Zn1-O1		105.95(10)	Zn2-O5 <sup>ix</sup>
N1-Zn1-O1 <sup>w</sup>		88.79(10)	Zn2-O5 <sup>vi</sup>
N1-Zn1-O7 <sup>iii</sup>		88.23(10)	N1-Zn1-O1
N2-Zn1-N3		75.25(11)	N1-Zn1-O2
N2-Zn1-O1		176.72(10)	N1-Zn1-O3 <sup>v</sup>
N2-Zn1-O1 <sup>w</sup>		91.09(10)	N1-Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>
N2-Zn1-O7 <sup>iii</sup>		86.79(10)	O1-Zn1-O2
N3-Zn1-O1		104.09(10)	O1-Zn1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>
N3-Zn1-O1 <sup>w</sup>		92.00(10)	O1-Zn1-O3 <sup>v</sup>
N3-Zn1-O7 <sup>iii</sup>		89.89(10)	O1-Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>
O1-Zn1-O1 <sup>w</sup>		92.14(9)	O2-Zn1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>
O1-Zn1-O7 <sup>iii</sup>		90.00(8)	O2-Zn1-O3 <sup>v</sup>
O1W-Zn1-O7 <sup>iii</sup>		176.72(9)	O2-Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>
O1-Zn2-O2		105.71(9)	O3 <sup>v</sup> -Zn1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>
O1-Zn2-O4 <sup>iv</sup>		118.88(9)	O1-Zn2-O4 <sup>v</sup>
O1-Zn2-O6 <sup>iii</sup>		110.32(9)	O1-Zn2-O4 <sup>vii</sup>
O2-Zn2-O4 <sup>iv</sup>		115.96(9)	O1-Zn2-O5 <sup>i</sup> x
O2-Zn2-O6 <sup>iii</sup>		97.11(9)	O1 <sup>viii</sup> -Zn2-O4 <sup>v</sup>
O4 <sup>iv</sup> -Zn2-O6 <sup>iii</sup>		106.69(10)	O1 <sup>v</sup> -Zn2-O5 <sup>vi</sup>
			O4 <sup>v</sup> -Zn2-O5 <sup>vi</sup>
			94.07(12)

<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>				
Cd1-O1	2.246(3)	Cd1-O4 <sup>ii</sup>	2.185(3)	Cd1-O1	2.222(3)	Cd1-O1	2.224(3)
Cd1-O5 <sup>iv</sup>	2.290(3)	Cd1-O2 <sup>iii</sup>	2.275(4)	Cd1-N1	2.243(3)	Cd1-O3 <sup>ii</sup>	2.165(3)
Cd1-O11 <sup>i</sup>	2.207(4)	Cd1-N1	2.327(4)	Cd1-O3 <sup>ii</sup>	2.279(3)	Cd1-O6 <sup>vi</sup>	2.271(3)
Cd2-O1W	2.319(4)	Cd1-O7 <sup>iv</sup>	2.384(4)	Cd1-O4 <sup>iii</sup>	2.400(3)	Cd2-O1	2.360(3)
Cd2-O3	2.373(3)	Cd1-O2	2.505(3)	Cd1-O4 <sup>iv</sup>	2.414(2)	Cd2-O2	2.416(3)
Cd2-O4	2.406(3)	Cd1-O6 <sup>iv</sup>	2.512(3)	Cd1-O5 <sup>v</sup>	2.533(3)	Cd2-N1	2.302(4)
Cd2-O7	2.258(3)	Cd1-O3	2.525(3)	Cd2-O6 <sup>iii</sup>	2.204(2)	Cd2-N2	2.246(4)
Cd2-O9 <sup>vi</sup>	2.158(3)	Cd2-O7 <sup>iv</sup>	2.203(4)	Cd2-O2	2.248(3)	Cd2-O4 <sup>iii</sup>	2.174(3)
Cd2-O13	2.257(4)	Cd2-O5 <sup>ii</sup>	2.204(4)	Cd2-O3 <sup>vii</sup>	2.379(2)	Cd1-O5 <sup>vi</sup>	2.279(3)
O1-Cd1-O5 <sup>iv</sup>	89.64(11)	Cd2-O3	2.336(3)	Cd2-O3 <sup>iii</sup>	2.379(2)	Cd2-O6 <sup>vi</sup>	2.526(3)
O1-Cd1-O11 <sup>i</sup>	173.43(13)	N1-Cd1-O2	103.90(16)	N1-Cd1-O1	138.34(13)	O1-Cd1-O1 <sup>iv</sup>	180.00(15)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> -Cd1-O11 <sup>ii</sup>	82.14(11)	N1-Cd1-O2 <sup>iii</sup>	92.71(14)	N1-Cd1-O6 <sup>iii</sup>	91.93(12)	O1-Cd1-O3 <sup>ii</sup>	85.55(10)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> -Cd1-O5 <sup>v</sup>	89.64(11)	N1-Cd1-O4 <sup>ii</sup>	171.56(15)	O1-Cd1-O6	84.64(11)	O1-Cd1-O6 <sup>v</sup>	100.84(11)
O5 <sup>iv</sup> -Cd1-O5 <sup>v</sup>	173.53(17)	N1-Cd1-O7 <sup>iv</sup>	84.76(15)	O1-Cd1-O3 <sup>iii</sup>	119.40(10)	O1-Cd2-O2	54.58(10)
O1W-Cd2-O7	80.63(13)	O2-Cd1-O4 <sup>ii</sup>	84.39(12)	O3 <sup>iii</sup> -Cd1-O6 <sup>ii</sup>	86.26(10)	N1-Cd2-O1	157.81(12)
O1W-Cd2-O9 <sup>vi</sup>	143.14(14)	O2-Cd1-O2 <sup>iii</sup>	79.92(12)	N1-Cd1-O3 <sup>iii</sup>	101.83(12)	N1-Cd2-O2	147.32(12)
O1W-Cd2-O13	98.69(14)	O3-Cd1-O4 <sup>ii</sup>	98.80(11)	N1-Cd1-O4 <sup>iii</sup>	91.61(11)	N2-Cd2-O1	131.05(12)
O3-Cd2-O7	90.81(11)	O2 <sup>iii</sup> -Cd1-O3	129.67(12)	O3 <sup>iii</sup> -Cd1-O4 <sup>iii</sup>	52.83(9)	N2-Cd2-O2	86.31(13)
O3-Cd2-O13	156.15(13)	O2-Cd1-O3	51.47(11)	O2-Cd2-O5 <sup>v</sup>	86.79(11)	N1-Cd2-N2	67.80(14)
O4-Cd2-O7	132.22(10)	O3-Cd2-O5 <sup>v</sup>	79.72(12)	O2-Cd2-O5 <sup>ii</sup>	93.21(11)	O1-Cd2-O4 <sup>iii</sup>	95.10(11)
O3-Cd2-O4	54.73(11)	O3 <sup>i</sup> -Cd2-O5 <sup>i</sup>	100.28(12)	O2-Cd2-O2 <sup>vi</sup>	180.0	O1-Cd2-O5 <sup>vi</sup>	80.65(10)
O1W-Cd2-O4	73.97(12)	O3 <sup>i</sup> -Cd2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	87.43(13)	O3 <sup>vii</sup> -Cd2-O5 <sup>v</sup>	93.27(9)	O2-Cd2-O4 <sup>iii</sup>	93.94 (12)
O1W-Cd2-O3	98.09(12)	O5 <sup>ii</sup> -Cd2-O7 <sup>iv</sup>	92.57(13)	O3 <sup>vii</sup> -Cd2-O5 <sup>ii</sup>	86.73(9)	O2-Cd2-O5 <sup>vi</sup>	115.45(10)
O4-Cd2-O9 <sup>vi</sup>	90.32(12)	O5 <sup>ii</sup> -Cd2-O7 <sup>v</sup>	91.52(14)	O5 <sup>ii</sup> -Cd2-O5 <sup>v</sup>	180.0(2)	O2-Cd2-O6 <sup>vi</sup>	126.10(10)

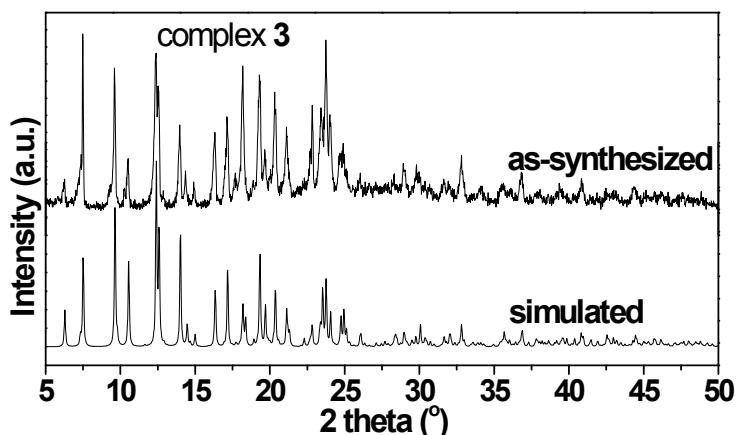
Symmetry codes for **1**: (v)  $-x + 1, -y, -z + 1$ ; (vi)  $x, y - 1, z$ . **2**: (i)  $-x, -y, -z$ ; (iv)  $x, -y + 1/2, z - 1/2$ ; (v)  $x, y - 1, z$ . **3**: (iii)  $x - 1, y, z$ ; (iv)  $-x + 1, y - 1/2, -z + 3/2$ . **4**: (ii)  $-x + 1, -y, -z$ ; (v)  $x, y, z - 1$ ; (vi)  $x, y - 1, z - 1$ ; (vii)  $-x + 2, -y, -z + 1$ ; (viii)  $-x + 2, -y, -z$ ; (ix)  $-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1$ . **5**: (i)  $-x, -y + 2, -z + 1$ ; (ii)  $x + 1/2, -y + 2, z - 1/2$ ; (iii)  $x + 1/2, y, -z + 1/2$ ; (iv)  $x - 1/2, -y + 2, z + 1/2$ ; (v)  $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z$ ; (vi)  $x + 1/2, -y + 1, z - 1/2$ . **6**: (i)  $-x + 3/2, y, -z + 1/2$ ; (ii)  $x + 1, y, z$ ; (iii)  $-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ; (iv)  $x + 1/2, -y, z - 1/2$ ; (v)  $-x + 3/2, y, -z + 3/2$ . **7**: (ii)  $x, y - 1, z$ ; (iii)  $x, y, z - 1$ ; (iv)  $-x + 1, -y, -z + 1$ ; (v)  $-x, -y + 1, -z$ ; (vi)  $-x, -y, -z$ ; (vii)  $-x, -y, -z + 1$ . **8**: (i)  $x, y - 1, z$ ; (ii)  $-x, -y + 2, -z + 1$ ; (iii)  $x + 1, y, z$ ; (iv)  $-x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1$ ; (v)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$ ; (vi)  $x, y + 1, z$ .



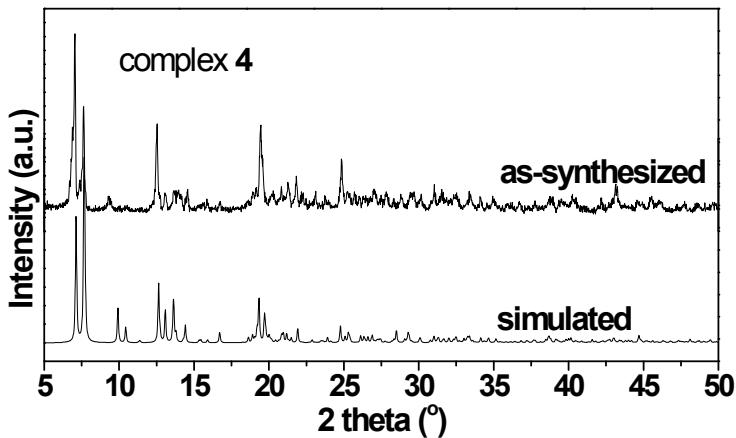
**Fig. S1** Powder XRD patterns of as-synthesized and simulated from single-crystal diffraction data of **1**.



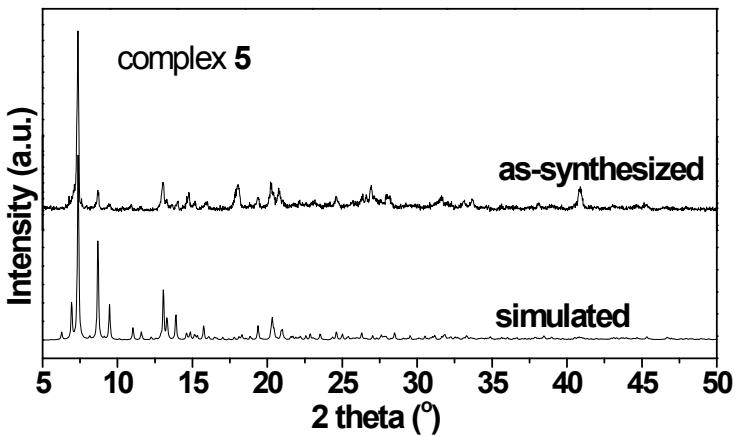
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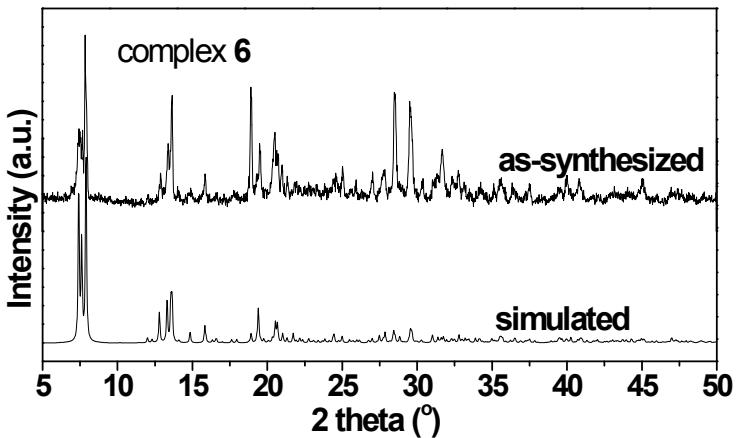
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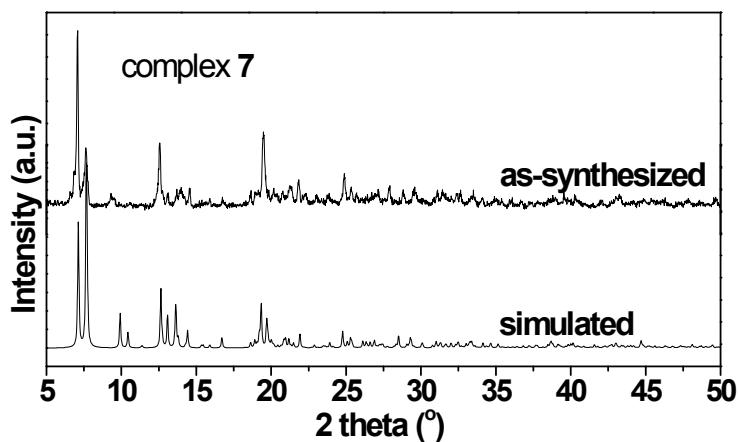
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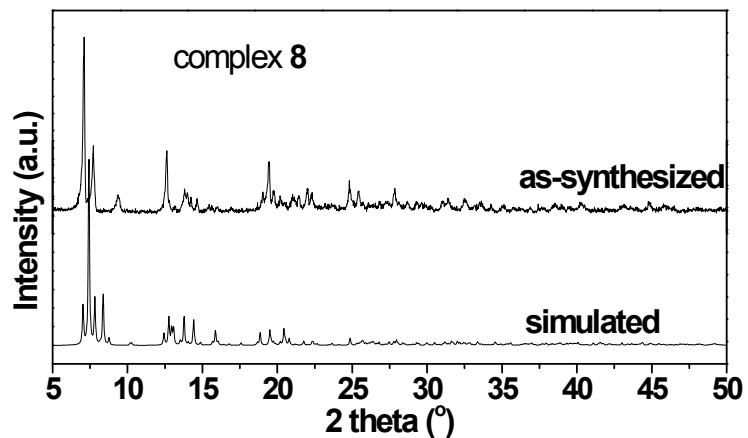
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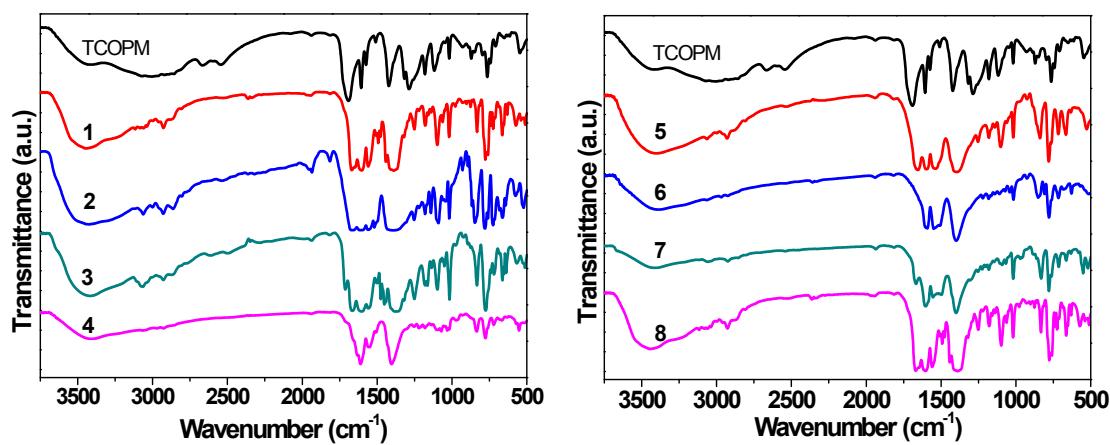
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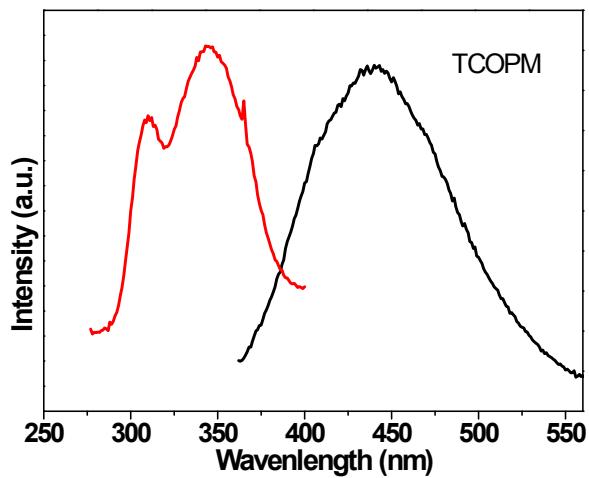
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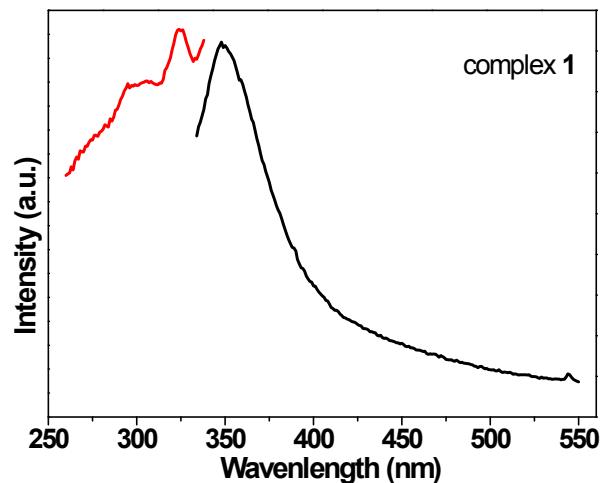
**Fig. S8** Powder XRD patterns of as-synthesized and simulated from single-crystal diffraction data of **8**.



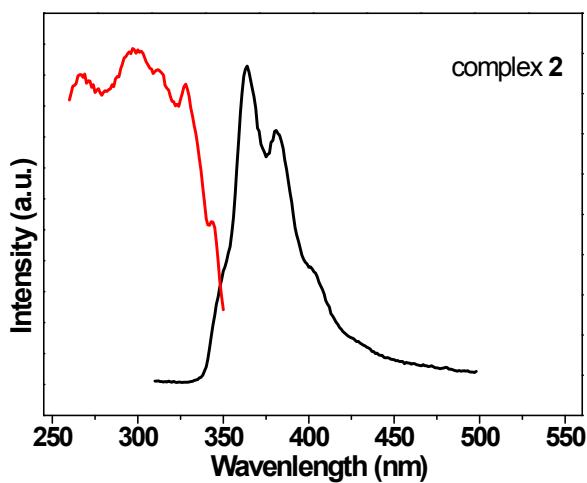
**Fig. S9** FT-IR spectra of **1-8** and the free TCOPM ligand.



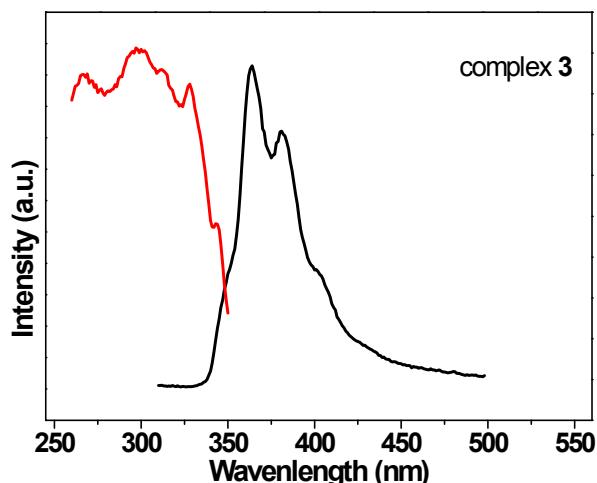
**Fig. S10** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 344$  nm, and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 446$  nm) spectra for the free TCOPM.



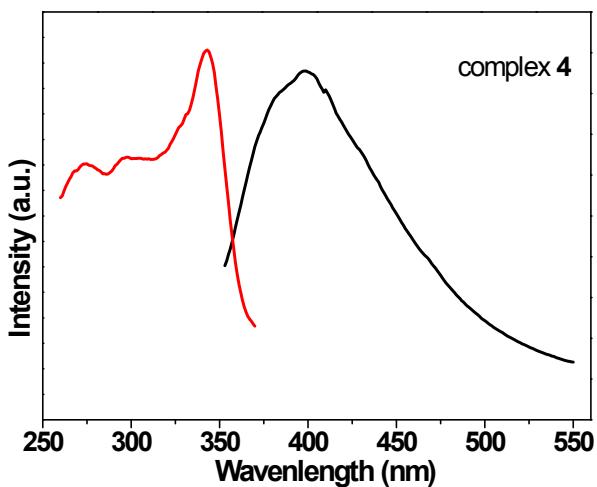
**Fig. S11** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 324$  nm, and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 348$  nm) spectra for **1**.



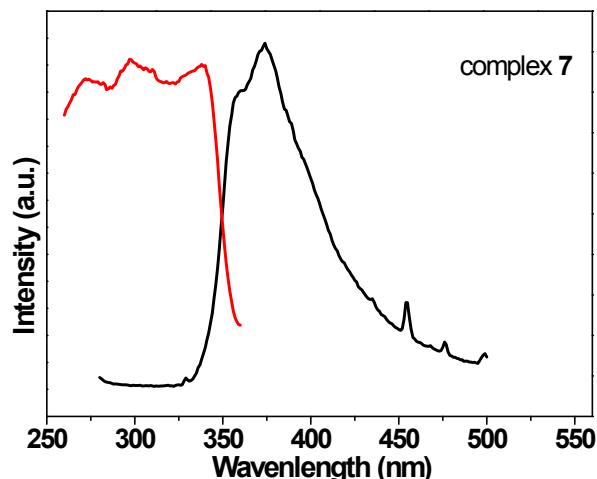
**Figure S12.** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 270$  nm, and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 364$  nm) spectra for **2**.



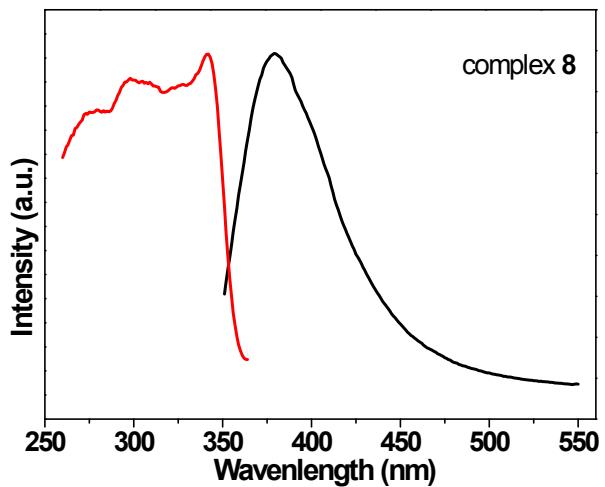
**Figure S13.** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 298$  nm, and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 357$  nm) spectra for **3**.



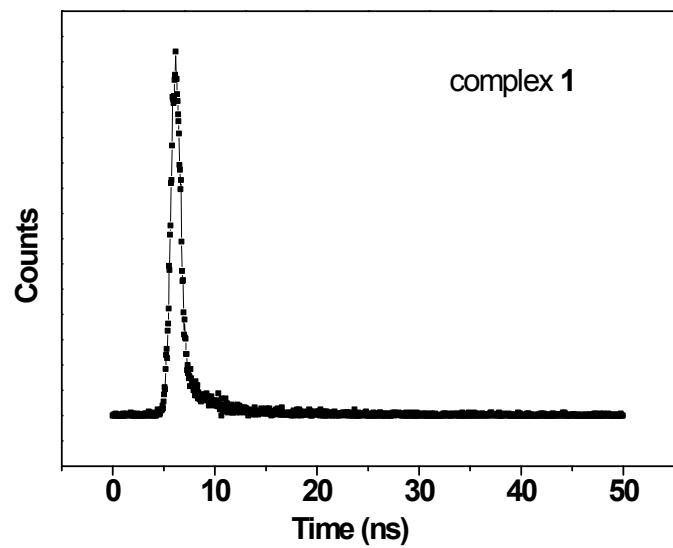
**Figure S14.** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 343$  nm and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 398$  nm) spectra for **4**.



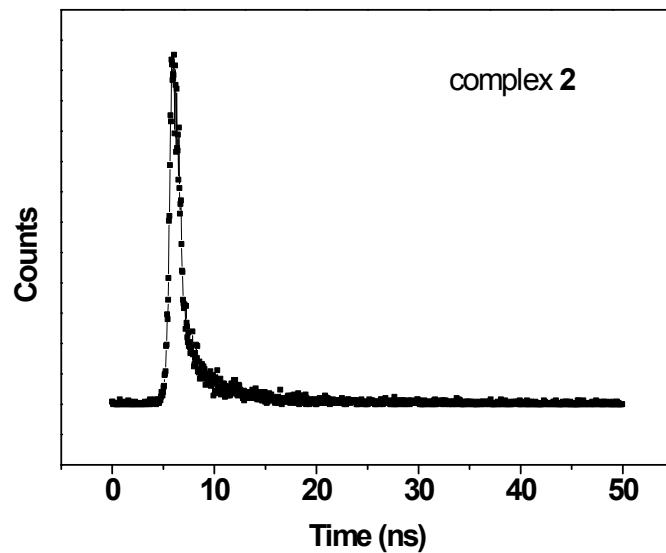
**Figure S15.** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 270$  nm and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 374$  nm) spectra for **7**.



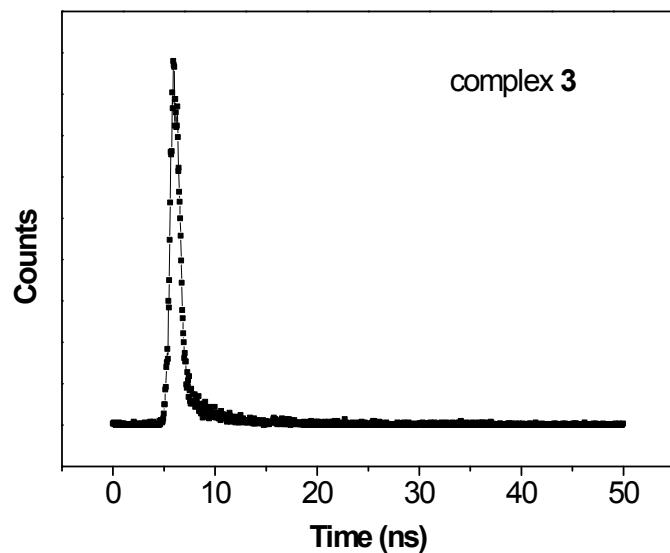
**Figure S16.** Solid-state, room-temperature photoemission (excitation wavelength,  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 341$  nm and emission wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 378$  nm) spectra for **8**.



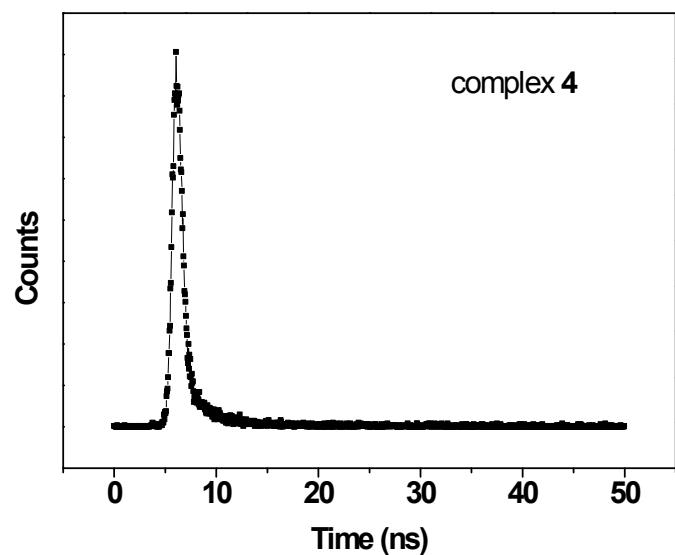
**Figure S17.** The emission decay lifetime of **1**.



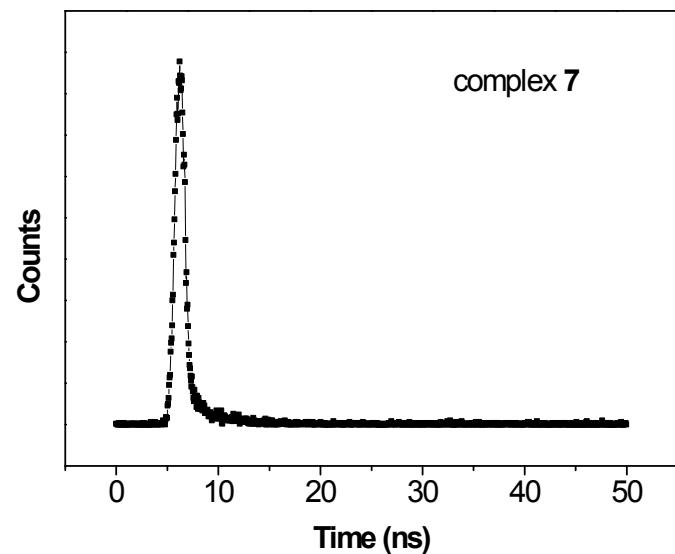
**Figure S18.** The emission decay lifetime of **2**.



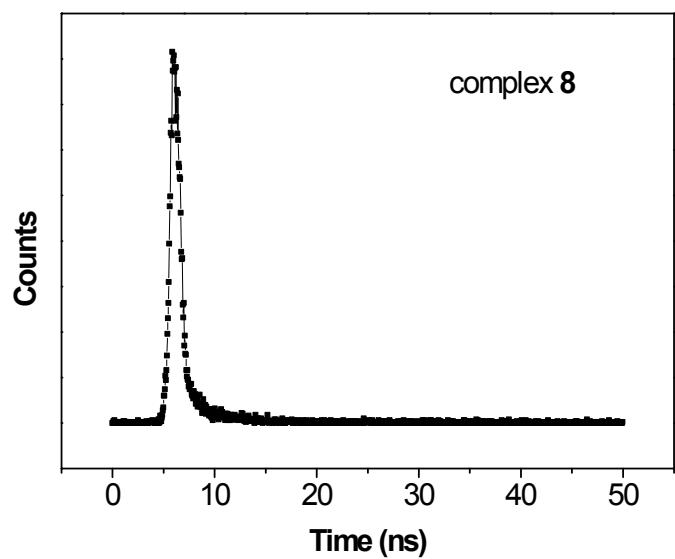
**Figure S19.** The emission decay lifetime of **3**.



**Figure S20.** The emission decay lifetime of 4.



**Figure S21.** The emission decay lifetime of 7.



**Figure S22.** The emission decay lifetime of **8**.