

Supporting information for

**Metal Organic Frameworks with Uni-, Di-, Tri-  
nuclear Cd(II) SBU Prepared from 1,3-bis(4-  
pyridyl)propane and Different Dicarboxylate  
ligands: Syntheses, Structures and Luminescent  
Properties**

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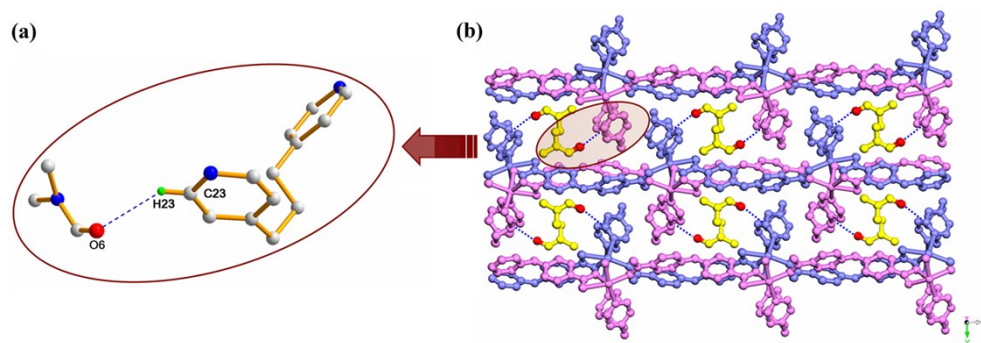
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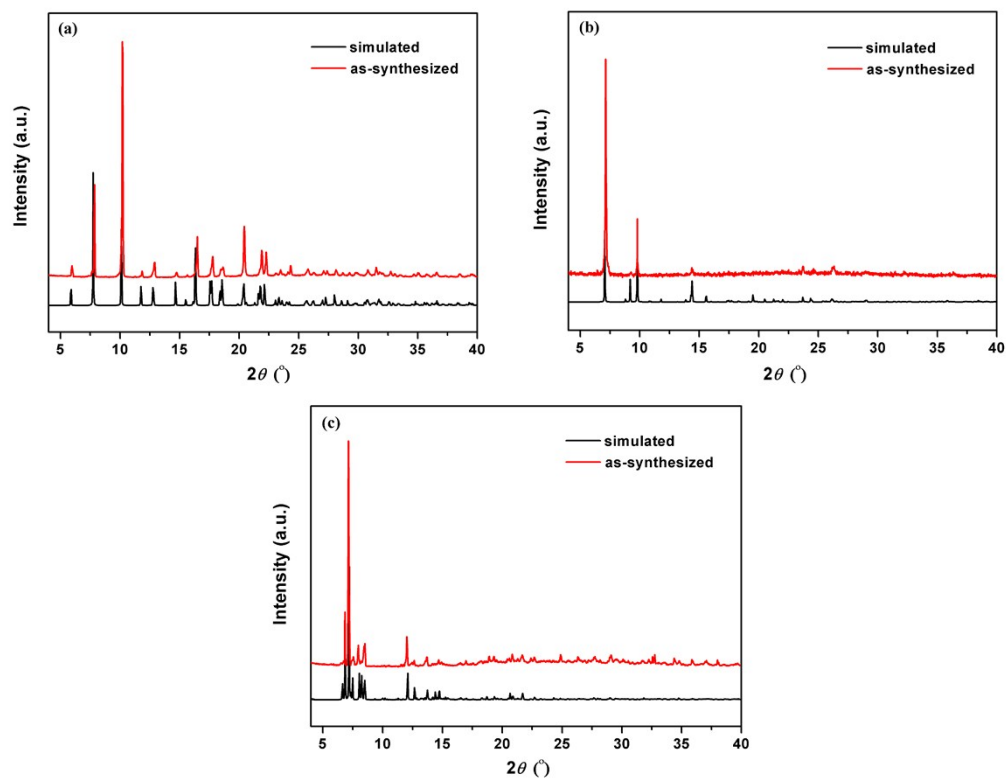
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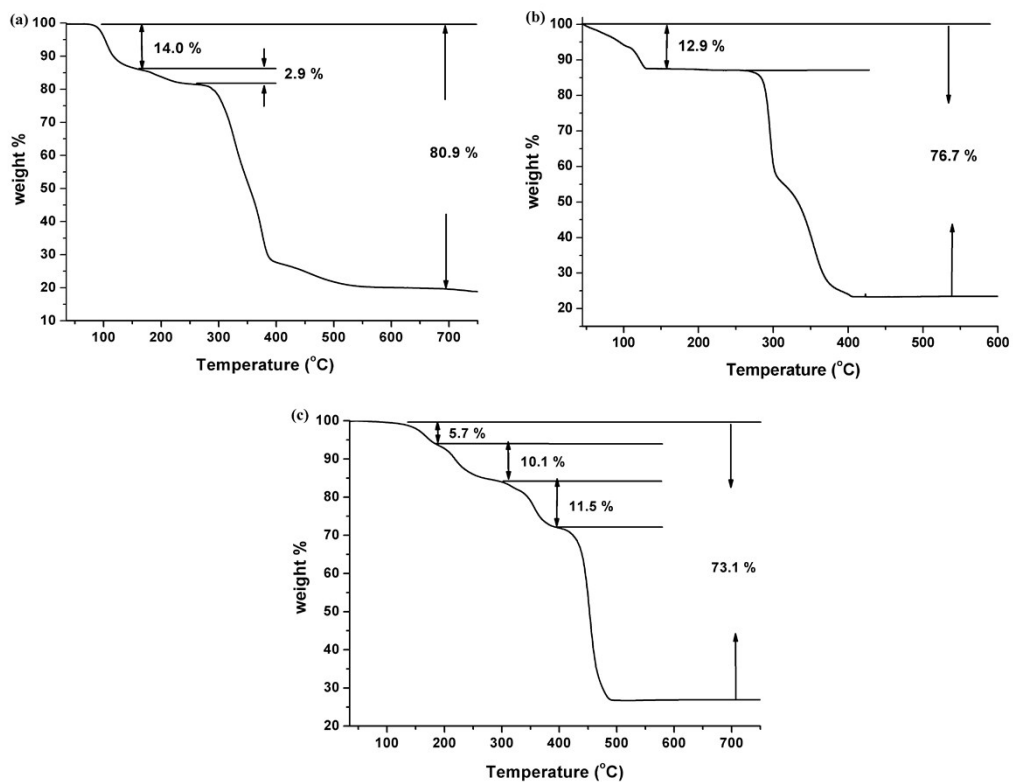
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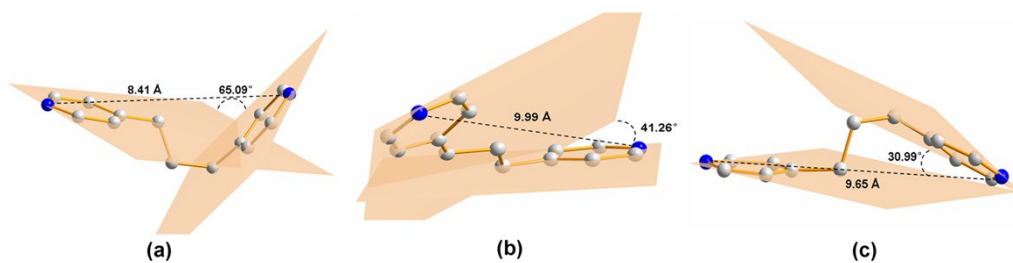
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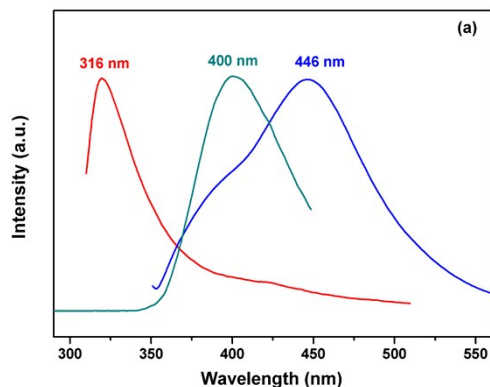
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**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths (Å) for compound 1, compound 2 and compound 3.

| compound 1              |          |              |          |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Cd(1)-O(1)              | 2.224(3) | Cd(1)-N(1)   | 2.289(3) |
| Cd(1)-O(4)              | 2.290(3) | Cd(1)-N(2)   | 2.371(4) |
| Cd(1)-O(7)              | 2.384(3) | Cd(1)-O(5)   | 2.460(3) |
| compound 2 <sup>a</sup> |          |              |          |
| Cd(1)-O(4)#1            | 2.272(6) | Cd(1)-O(3)#2 | 2.276(6) |
| Cd(1)-N(2)              | 2.305(7) | Cd(1)-N(1)   | 2.315(7) |
| Cd(1)-O(2)              | 2.392(6) | Cd(1)-O(1)   | 2.432(7) |
| O(3)-Cd(1)#3            | 2.276(6) |              |          |
| compound 3 <sup>b</sup> |          |              |          |
| Cd(1)-O(14)             | 2.190(5) | Cd(1)-O(1)   | 2.277(5) |
| Cd(1)-O(6)              | 2.304(5) | Cd(1)-O(10)  | 2.349(5) |
| Cd(1)-O(9)              | 2.410(5) | Cd(1)-O(2)   | 2.470(5) |
| Cd(1)-O(5)              | 2.730(6) | Cd(2)-O(22)  | 2.189(5) |
| Cd(2)-O(13)             | 2.211(4) | Cd(2)-O(17)  | 2.214(5) |
| Cd(2)-O(5)              | 2.304(5) | Cd(2)-O(11)  | 2.310(4) |
| Cd(2)-O(9)              | 2.329(5) | Cd(3)-O(21)  | 2.251(5) |
| Cd(3)-N(1)              | 2.285(5) | Cd(3)-O(18)  | 2.303(5) |

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|---------------|----------|---------------|----------|
| Cd(3)-O(11)   | 2.363(5) | Cd(3)-O(29)   | 2.438(5) |
| Cd(3)-O(12)   | 2.479(5) | Cd(3)-O(17)   | 2.809(6) |
| Cd(4)-O(20)#3 | 2.231(5) | Cd(4)-O(7)    | 2.307(5) |
| Cd(4)-O(4)#4  | 2.351(5) | Cd(4)-O(3)#4  | 2.343(5) |
| Cd(4)-O(28)#2 | 2.364(5) | Cd(4)-O(27)#2 | 2.518(5) |
| Cd(4)-O(8)    | 2.546(5) | Cd(5)-O(19)#5 | 2.202(4) |
| Cd(5)-O(23)   | 2.244(4) | Cd(5)-O(15)#3 | 2.279(4) |
| Cd(5)-O(27)   | 2.280(5) | Cd(5)-O(26)   | 2.292(4) |
| Cd(5)-O(8)#1  | 2.298(4) | Cd(6)-N(2)#6  | 2.281(6) |
| Cd(6)-O(24)   | 2.286(4) | Cd(6)-O(26)   | 2.337(4) |
| Cd(6)-O(16)#3 | 2.345(5) | Cd(6)-O(30)   | 2.437(6) |
| Cd(6)-O(15)#3 | 2.506(5) | Cd(6)-O(25)   | 2.595(6) |

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**Table S2.** Selected bond angles (°) for (a) compound 1, (b) compound 2 and (c) compound 3.

| compound 1              |            |                   |            |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| O(1)-Cd(1)-N(1)         | 110.29(12) | O(1)-Cd(1)-O(4)   | 101.45(11) |
| N(1)-Cd(1)-O(4)         | 148.21(11) | O(1)-Cd(1)-N(2)   | 86.67(12)  |
| N(1)-Cd(1)-N(2)         | 92.95(13)  | O(4)-Cd(1)-N(2)   | 90.45(13)  |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(7)         | 86.97(11)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(7)   | 86.10(12)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-O(7)         | 94.11(12)  | N(2)-Cd(1)-O(7)   | 172.81(12) |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(5)         | 156.66(11) | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(5)   | 93.04(11)  |
| O(4)-Cd(1)-O(5)         | 55.20(10)  | N(2)-Cd(1)-O(5)   | 93.03(13)  |
| O(7)-Cd(1)-O(5)         | 94.13(11)  |                   |            |
| compound 2 <sup>a</sup> |            |                   |            |
| O(4)#1-Cd(1)-O(3)#2     | 127.5(2)   | O(4)#1-Cd(1)-N(2) | 89.5(3)    |
| O(3)#2-Cd(1)-N(2)       | 91.2(2)    | O(4)#1-Cd(1)-N(1) | 88.8(3)    |
| O(3)#2-Cd(1)-N(1)       | 87.9(2)    | N(2)-Cd(1)-N(1)   | 177.0(2)   |
| O(4)#1-Cd(1)-O(2)       | 90.7(2)    | O(3)#2-Cd(1)-O(2) | 141.7(2)   |

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| N(2)-Cd(1)-O(2)               | 90.9(2)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 91.5(3)  |
| O(4)#1-Cd(1)-O(1)             | 144.5(2) | O(3)#2-Cd(1)-O(1) | 87.7(2)  |
| N(2)-Cd(1)-O(1)               | 95.4(3)  | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(1)   | 87.4(3)  |
| O(2)-Cd(1)-O(1)               | 54.1(2)  |                   |          |
| <b>compound 3<sup>b</sup></b> |          |                   |          |
| O(14)-Cd(1)-O(1)              | 102.8(3) | O(14)-Cd(1)-O(6)  | 117.5(3) |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(6)               | 86.9(3)  | O(14)-Cd(1)-O(10) | 144.1(3) |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(10)              | 104.5(3) | O(6)-Cd(1)-O(10)  | 87.0(3)  |
| O(14)-Cd(1)-O(9)              | 91.3(2)  | O(1)-Cd(1)-O(9)   | 152.6(3) |
| O(6)-Cd(1)-O(9)               | 107.5(3) | O(10)-Cd(1)-O(9)  | 54.8(2)  |
| O(14)-Cd(1)-O(2)              | 87.2(3)  | O(1)-Cd(1)-O(2)   | 54.2(2)  |
| O(6)-Cd(1)-O(2)               | 138.8(3) | O(10)-Cd(1)-O(2)  | 90.1(3)  |
| O(9)-Cd(1)-O(2)               | 104.2(3) | O(14)-Cd(1)-O(5)  | 76.7(2)  |
| O(1)-Cd(1)-O(5)               | 125.0(2) | O(6)-Cd(1)-O(5)   | 50.1(2)  |
| O(10)-Cd(1)-O(5)              | 105.4(2) | O(9)-Cd(1)-O(5)   | 80.9(2)  |
| O(2)-Cd(1)-O(5)               | 163.4(2) | O(22)-Cd(2)-O(13) | 170.4(2) |
| O(22)-Cd(2)-O(17)             | 97.0(3)  | O(13)-Cd(2)-O(17) | 90.2(3)  |
| O(22)-Cd(2)-O(5)              | 86.6(3)  | O(13)-Cd(2)-O(5)  | 87.1(2)  |
| O(17)-Cd(2)-O(5)              | 172.7(3) | O(22)-Cd(2)-O(11) | 87.1(2)  |
| O(13)-Cd(2)-O(11)             | 100.4(2) | O(17)-Cd(2)-O(11) | 81.5(3)  |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-O(11)              | 92.4(2)  | O(22)-Cd(2)-O(9)  | 83.0(3)  |
| O(13)-Cd(2)-O(9)              | 90.1(2)  | O(17)-Cd(2)-O(9)  | 94.4(3)  |
| O(5)-Cd(2)-O(9)               | 92.4(3)  | O(11)-Cd(2)-O(9)  | 168.7(2) |
| O(21)-Cd(3)-N(1)              | 106.8(3) | O(21)-Cd(3)-O(18) | 95.5(3)  |
| N(1)-Cd(3)-O(18)              | 85.7(3)  | O(21)-Cd(3)-O(11) | 100.7(2) |
| N(1)-Cd(3)-O(11)              | 145.3(3) | O(18)-Cd(3)-O(11) | 112.5(3) |
| O(21)-Cd(3)-O(29)             | 81.6(3)  | N(1)-Cd(3)-O(29)  | 83.0(3)  |
| O(18)-Cd(3)-O(29)             | 166.9(3) | O(11)-Cd(3)-O(29) | 80.6(3)  |
| O(21)-Cd(3)-O(12)             | 150.2(2) | N(1)-Cd(3)-O(12)  | 94.2(3)  |
| O(18)-Cd(3)-O(12)             | 107.2(3) | O(11)-Cd(3)-O(12) | 53.0(2)  |
| O(29)-Cd(3)-O(12)             | 80.2(3)  | O(21)-Cd(3)-O(17) | 85.1(3)  |
| N(1)-Cd(3)-O(17)              | 133.2(3) | O(18)-Cd(3)-O(17) | 47.7(2)  |

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| O(11)-Cd(3)-O(17)     | 69.0(2)  | O(29)-Cd(3)-O(17)     | 143.8(2)  |
| O(12)-Cd(3)-O(17)     | 95.9(3)  | O(20)#3-Cd(4)-O(7)    | 128.7(3)  |
| O(20)#3-Cd(4)-O(4)#4  | 92.9(3)  | O(7)-Cd(4)-O(4)#4     | 87.3(3)   |
| O(20)#3-Cd(4)-O(3)#4  | 98.3(3)  | O(7)-Cd(4)-O(3)#4     | 121.3(3)  |
| O(4)#4-Cd(4)-O(3)#4   | 54.1(3)  | O(20)#3-Cd(4)-O(28)#2 | 133.3(3)  |
| O(7)-Cd(4)-O(28)#2    | 85.8(3)  | O(4)#6-Cd(4)-O(28)#2  | 123.6(3)  |
| O(3)#4-Cd(4)-O(28)#2  | 83.7(3)  | O(20)#3-Cd(4)-O(27)#2 | 81.3(2)   |
| O(7)-Cd(4)-O(27)#2    | 112.5(2) | O(4)#4-Cd(4)-O(27)#2  | 158.8(2)  |
| O(3)#4-Cd(4)-O(27)#2  | 106.9(2) | O(28)#2-Cd(4)-O(27)#2 | 54.2(2)   |
| O(20)#3-Cd(4)-O(8)    | 84.4(2)  | O(7)-Cd(4)-O(8)       | 53.1(2)   |
| O(4)#4-Cd(4)-O(8)     | 120.0(2) | O(3)#4-Cd(4)-O(8)     | 173.2(2)  |
| O(28)#2-Cd(4)-O(8)    | 99.1(2)  | O(27)#2-Cd(4)-O(8)    | 79.64(19) |
| O(19)#5-Cd(5)-O(23)   | 172.2(2) | O(19)#5-Cd(5)-O(15)#3 | 99.3(2)   |
| O(23)-Cd(5)-O(15)#3   | 85.4(2)  | O(19)#5-Cd(5)-O(27)   | 86.7(2)   |
| O(23)-Cd(5)-O(27)     | 86.6(2)  | O(15)#3-Cd(5)-O(27)   | 95.6(2)   |
| O(19)#5-Cd(5)-O(26)   | 99.5(2)  | O(23)-Cd(5)-O(26)     | 87.4(2)   |
| O(15)#3-Cd(5)-O(26)   | 80.2(2)  | O(27)-Cd(5)-O(26)     | 173.0(2)  |
| O(19)#5-Cd(5)-O(8)#1  | 91.7(2)  | O(23)-Cd(5)-O(8)#1    | 84.4(2)   |
| O(15)#3-Cd(5)-O(8)#1  | 168.2(2) | O(27)-Cd(5)-O(8)#1    | 90.2(2)   |
| O(26)-Cd(5)-O(8)#1    | 92.9(2)  | N(2)#6-Cd(6)-O(24)    | 96.6(3)   |
| N(2)#6-Cd(6)-O(26)    | 125.8(3) | O(24)-Cd(6)-O(26)     | 83.8(2)   |
| N(2)#6-Cd(6)-O(16)#3  | 103.2(3) | O(24)-Cd(6)-O(16)#3   | 154.8(2)  |
| O(26)-Cd(6)-O(16)#3   | 96.8(2)  | N(2)#6-Cd(6)-O(30)    | 83.7(3)   |
| O(24)-Cd(6)-O(30)     | 80.3(2)  | O(26)-Cd(6)-O(30)     | 148.1(2)  |
| O(16)#3-Cd(6)-O(30)   | 86.4(3)  | N(2)#6-Cd(6)-O(15)#3  | 153.6(3)  |
| O(24)-Cd(6)-O(15)#3   | 102.4(2) | O(26)-Cd(6)-O(15)#3   | 74.8(2)   |
| O(16)#3-Cd(6)-O(15)#3 | 54.1(2)  | O(30)-Cd(6)-O(15)#3   | 81.8(2)   |
| N(2)#6-Cd(6)-O(25)    | 80.2(3)  | O(24)-Cd(6)-O(25)     | 114.4(3)  |
| O(26)-Cd(6)-O(25)     | 52.0(2)  | O(16)#3-Cd(6)-O(25)   | 84.6(3)   |
| O(30)-Cd(6)-O(25)     | 159.2(2) | O(15)#3-Cd(6)-O(25)   | 107.6(2)  |

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