

Electronic Supplementary Information for:

Selective fluorescent sensing and photocatalytic properties of three MOFs based on naphthalene-1,4-dicarboxylic acid and 2,4,5-tri(4-pyridyl)-imidazole

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Table S1. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) for compounds **1–3**.

1			
Mn(1)-O(3)	2.150(2)	Mn(1)-O(1)	2.151(2)
Mn(1)-N(1)	2.280(3)	Mn(1)-N(7)#1	2.283(3)
Mn(1)-N(2)#2	2.298(3)	Mn(1)-N(6)	2.303(3)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(1)	171.07(9)	O(3)-Mn(1)-N(1)	89.76(10)
O(1)-Mn(1)-N(1)	81.47(10)	O(3)-Mn(1)-N(7)#1	91.63(10)
O(1)-Mn(1)-N(7)#1	86.96(11)	N(1)-Mn(1)-N(7)#1	91.44(10)
O(3)-Mn(1)-N(2)#2	91.98(10)	O(1)-Mn(1)-N(2)#2	89.71(10)
N(1)-Mn(1)-N(2)#2	90.05(10)	N(7)#1-Mn(1)-N(2)#2	176.11(10)
O(3)-Mn(1)-N(6)	87.45(10)	O(1)-Mn(1)-N(6)	101.37(10)
N(1)-Mn(1)-N(6)	176.68(10)	N(7)#1-Mn(1)-N(6)	90.45(10)
N(2)#2-Mn(1)-N(6)	88.24(10)		
2			
Zn(3)-O(6)#6	1.959(3)	Zn(3)-O(1)#7	1.962(10)
Zn(3)-O(2')#7	1.962(13)	Zn(3)-N(8)#8	2.054(3)
Zn(4)-O(9)#9	1.950(3)	Zn(4)-O(14)#10	1.972(3)
Zn(4)-N(7)#8	2.029(3)		
O(3)-Zn(1)-O(8)	90.29(13)	O(3)-Zn(1)-N(1)	101.29(13)
O(8)-Zn(1)-N(1)	101.14(13)	O(3)-Zn(1)-O(15)	88.63(13)
O(8)-Zn(1)-O(15)	160.09(12)	N(1)-Zn(1)-O(15)	98.57(13)
O(3)-Zn(1)-O(12)	160.00(12)	O(8)-Zn(1)-O(12)	87.78(13)
N(1)-Zn(1)-O(12)	98.61(12)	O(15)-Zn(1)-O(12)	86.48(12)
O(16)-Zn(2)-N(6)	102.22(13)	O(16)-Zn(2)-O(11)	89.56(14)
N(6)-Zn(2)-O(11)	101.42(12)	O(16)-Zn(2)-O(7)	158.46(12)
N(6)-Zn(2)-O(7)	99.30(14)	O(11)-Zn(2)-O(7)	87.03(14)
O(16)-Zn(2)-O(4)	88.23(14)	N(6)-Zn(2)-O(4)	99.59(13)
O(11)-Zn(2)-O(4)	158.86(12)	O(7)-Zn(2)-O(4)	87.35(14)
O(6)#6-Zn(3)-O(1)#7	90.0(2)	O(6)#6-Zn(3)-O(2')#7	112.9(4)
O(1)#7-Zn(3)-O(2')#7	29.0(3)	O(6)#6-Zn(3)-N(3)	116.68(13)

O(1)#7-Zn(3)-N(3)	120.6(3)	O(2')#7-Zn(3)-N(3)	118.9(4)
O(6)#6-Zn(3)-N(8)#8	111.45(14)	O(1)#7-Zn(3)-N(8)#8	114.1(3)
O(2')#7-Zn(3)-N(8)#8	88.5(3)	N(3)-Zn(3)-N(8)#8	103.97(13)
O(9)#9-Zn(4)-O(14)#10	97.03(14)	O(9)#9-Zn(4)-N(7)#8	114.07(14)
O(14)#10-Zn(4)-N(7)#8	114.30(14)	O(9)#9-Zn(4)-N(2)	110.57(13)
O(14)#10-Zn(4)-N(2)	114.53(15)	N(7)#8-Zn(4)-N(2)	106.39(12)

3

Cd(1)-O(1)	2.233(2)	Cd(1)-O(5)	2.286(3)
Cd(1)-N(1)	2.299(3)	Cd(1)-O(16)#1	2.327(2)
Cd(1)-O(17)	2.363(3)	Cd(1)-N(10)#2	2.386(2)
Cd(2)-O(2)	2.262(2)	Cd(2)-O(10)	2.297(4)
Cd(2)-O(6)	2.325(2)	Cd(2)-N(5)#3	2.339(3)
Cd(2)-O(15)#1	2.372(2)	Cd(2)-O(9)	2.423(3)
Cd(2)-O(16)#1	2.506(2)	Cd(3)-O(3)	2.262(2)
Cd(3)-O(13)	2.298(2)	Cd(3)-O(8)#4	2.334(3)
Cd(3)-O(11)#5	2.349(4)	Cd(3)-N(9)#6	2.370(3)
Cd(3)-O(12)#5	2.399(3)	Cd(3)-O(7)#4	2.603(2)
Cd(4)-O(4)	2.220(2)	Cd(4)-O(14)	2.258(3)
Cd(4)-N(6)	2.317(3)	Cd(4)-O(7)#4	2.324(2)
Cd(4)-O(18)	2.357(3)	Cd(4)-N(4)#7	2.374(2)
O(1)-Cd(1)-O(5)	92.86(12)	O(1)-Cd(1)-N(1)	175.21(10)
O(5)-Cd(1)-N(1)	91.58(12)	O(1)-Cd(1)-O(16)#1	89.16(9)
O(5)-Cd(1)-O(16)#1	112.53(9)	N(1)-Cd(1)-O(16)#1	87.48(9)
O(1)-Cd(1)-O(17)	93.33(11)	O(5)-Cd(1)-O(17)	161.43(12)
N(1)-Cd(1)-O(17)	82.98(11)	O(16)#1-Cd(1)-O(17)	85.05(9)
O(1)-Cd(1)-N(10)#2	86.59(10)	O(5)-Cd(1)-N(10)#2	80.01(11)
N(1)-Cd(1)-N(10)#2	95.95(10)	O(16)#1-Cd(1)-N(10)#2	166.97(9)
O(17)-Cd(1)-N(10)#2	82.90(11)	O(2)-Cd(2)-O(10)	95.20(16)
O(2)-Cd(2)-O(6)	89.07(10)	O(10)-Cd(2)-O(6)	88.31(13)
O(2)-Cd(2)-N(5)#3	172.22(11)	O(10)-Cd(2)-N(5)#3	91.90(17)
O(6)-Cd(2)-N(5)#3	87.96(10)	O(2)-Cd(2)-O(15)#1	89.40(11)

O(10)-Cd(2)-O(15)#1	141.29(13)	O(6)-Cd(2)-O(15)#1	130.26(9)
N(5)#3-Cd(2)-O(15)#1	87.04(12)	O(2)-Cd(2)-O(9)	97.05(12)
O(10)-Cd(2)-O(9)	53.76(14)	O(6)-Cd(2)-O(9)	141.90(11)
N(5)#3-Cd(2)-O(9)	89.71(12)	O(15)#1-Cd(2)-O(9)	87.53(11)
O(2)-Cd(2)-O(16)#1	92.40(9)	O(10)-Cd(2)-O(16)#1	163.35(14)
O(6)-Cd(2)-O(16)#1	77.01(8)	N(5)#3-Cd(2)-O(16)#1	79.92(9)
O(15)#1-Cd(2)-O(16)#1	53.40(8)	O(9)-Cd(2)-O(16)#1	139.72(10)
O(3)-Cd(3)-O(13)	91.48(10)	O(3)-Cd(3)-O(8)#4	87.78(10)
O(13)-Cd(3)-O(8)#4	129.77(10)	O(3)-Cd(3)-O(11)#5	99.19(15)
O(13)-Cd(3)-O(11)#5	88.84(12)	O(8)#4-Cd(3)-O(11)#5	140.78(12)
O(3)-Cd(3)-N(9)#6	170.20(11)	O(13)-Cd(3)-N(9)#6	91.15(10)
O(8)#4-Cd(3)-N(9)#6	83.28(11)	O(11)#5-Cd(3)-N(9)#6	90.30(15)
O(3)-Cd(3)-O(12)#5	95.61(10)	O(13)-Cd(3)-O(12)#5	142.46(10)
O(8)#4-Cd(3)-O(12)#5	87.40(10)	O(11)#5-Cd(3)-O(12)#5	53.64(13)
N(9)#6-Cd(3)-O(12)#5	88.03(11)	O(3)-Cd(3)-O(7)#4	91.22(8)
O(13)-Cd(3)-O(7)#4	77.14(8)	O(8)#4-Cd(3)-O(7)#4	52.69(8)
O(11)#5-Cd(3)-O(7)#4	162.78(14)	N(9)#6-Cd(3)-O(7)#4	80.17(9)
O(12)#5-Cd(3)-O(7)#4	139.23(9)	O(4)-Cd(4)-O(14)	93.77(13)
O(4)-Cd(4)-N(6)	171.28(11)	O(14)-Cd(4)-N(6)	94.94(12)
O(4)-Cd(4)-O(7)#4	90.46(9)	O(14)-Cd(4)-O(7)#4	110.95(10)
N(6)-Cd(4)-O(7)#4	86.02(8)	O(4)-Cd(4)-O(18)	85.49(13)
O(14)-Cd(4)-O(18)	162.07(12)	N(6)-Cd(4)-O(18)	86.36(12)
O(7)#4-Cd(4)-O(18)	86.98(10)	O(4)-Cd(4)-N(4)#7	92.41(10)
O(14)-Cd(4)-N(4)#7	79.98(11)	N(6)-Cd(4)-N(4)#7	89.53(9)
O(7)#4-Cd(4)-N(4)#7	168.49(9)	O(18)-Cd(4)-N(4)#7	82.15(11)

Symmetry codes: For **1**: #1: $x - 1, y, z$; #2: $x + 1, y, z$; For **2**: #6: $x, y, z - 1$; #7: $x + 1, y, z - 1$; #8: $x + 1, y - 1, z - 1$; #9: $x, y - 1, z$; #10: $x + 1, y - 1, z$; For **3**: #1: $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1$; #2: $x, y + 1, z$; #3: $-x + 2, -y + 2, -z + 1$; #4: $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z$; #5: $x - 1, y, z$; #6: $-x, -y, -z$; #7: $x, y - 1, z$.

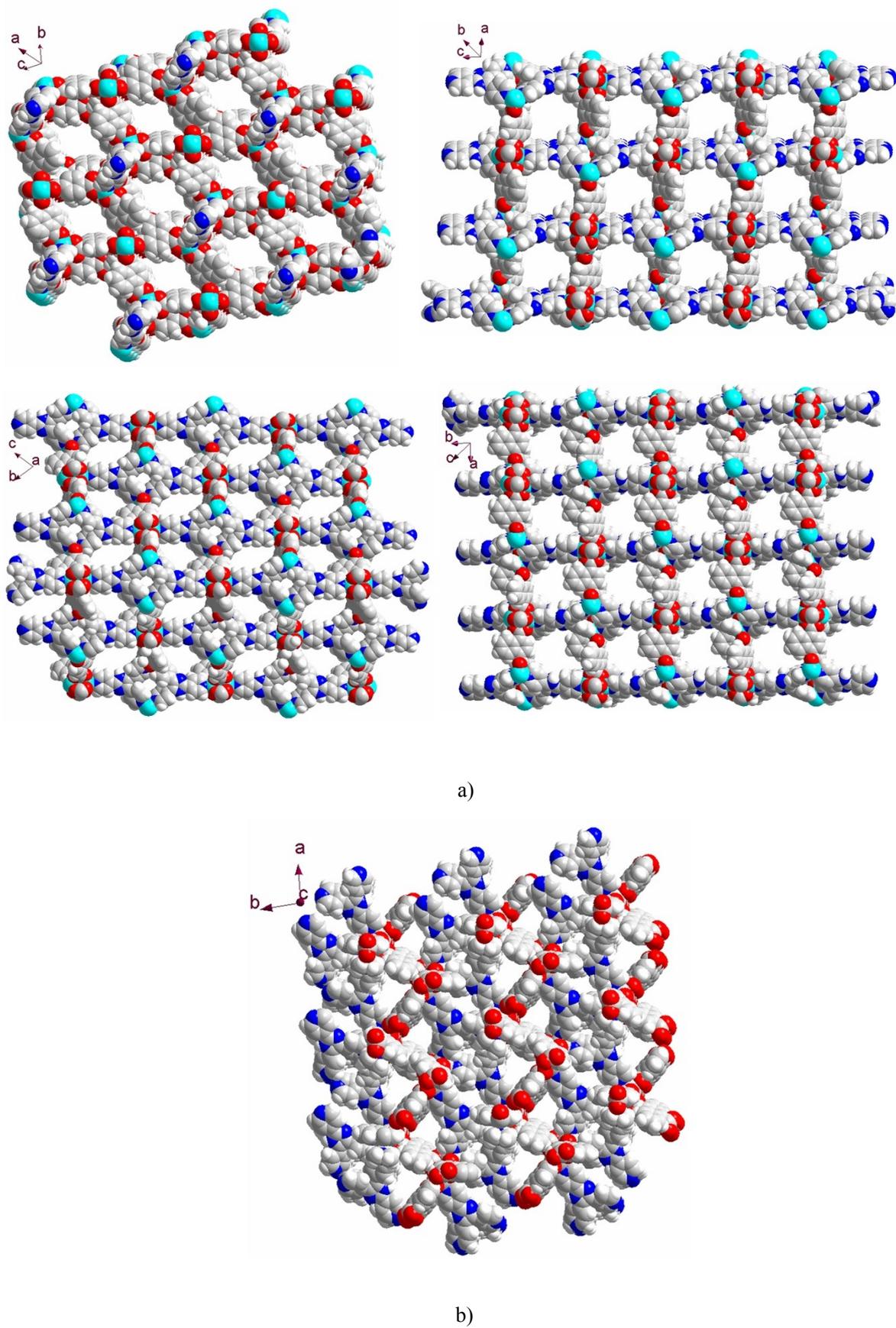
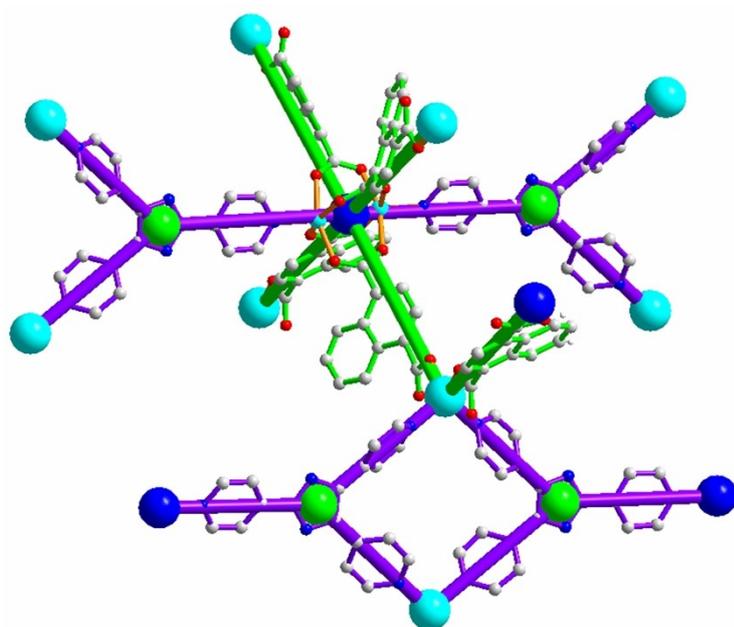
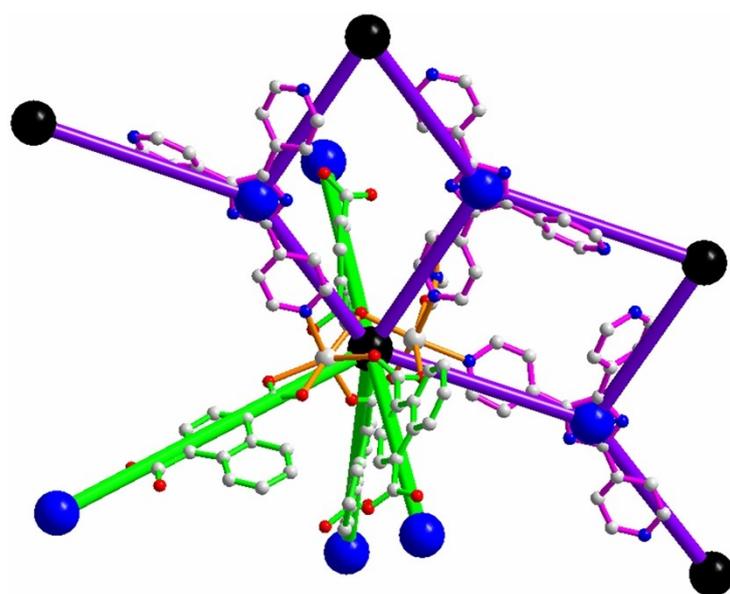


Fig. S1 Perspective View of the channels within compounds **2** (a) and **3**(b), respectively.



a)



b)

Fig. S2 View of the (3,4,6)-connected nodes and (3,7)-connected nodes in compounds **2** (a) and **3(b)**, respectively.

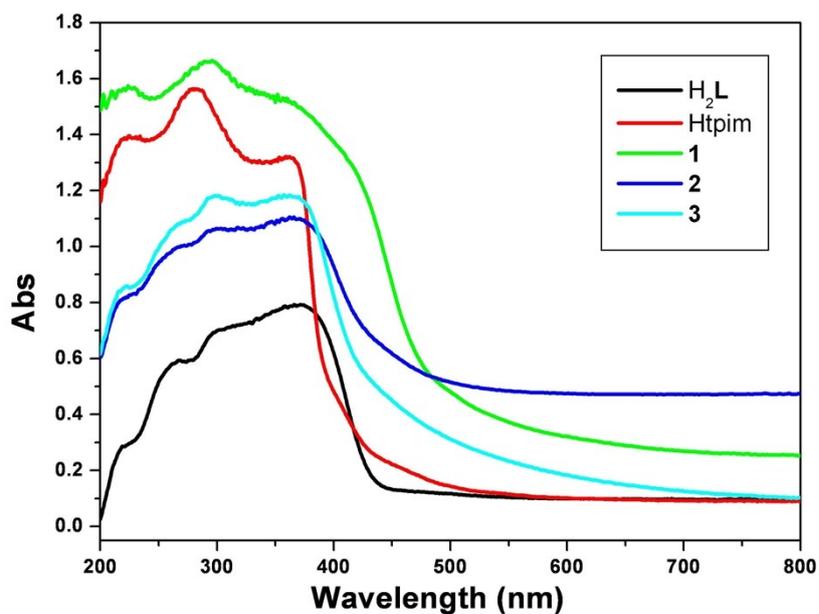


Fig. S3 Solid UV-Vis absorption spectra for H₂L and Htpim and 1–3 at room temperature.

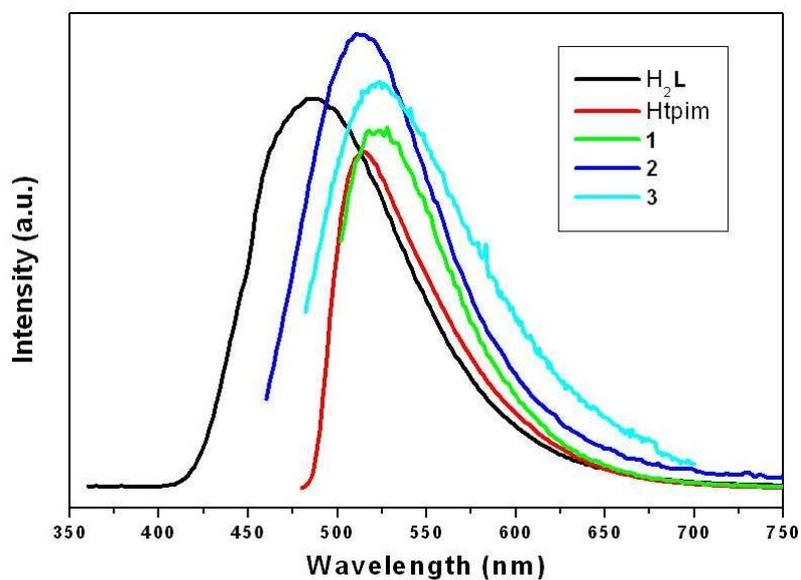
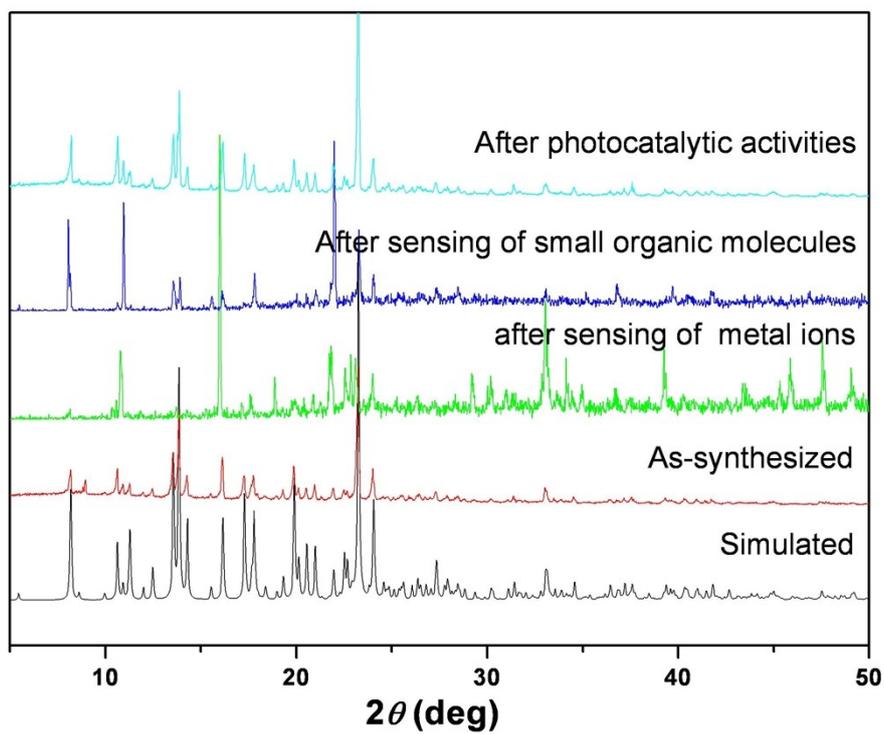
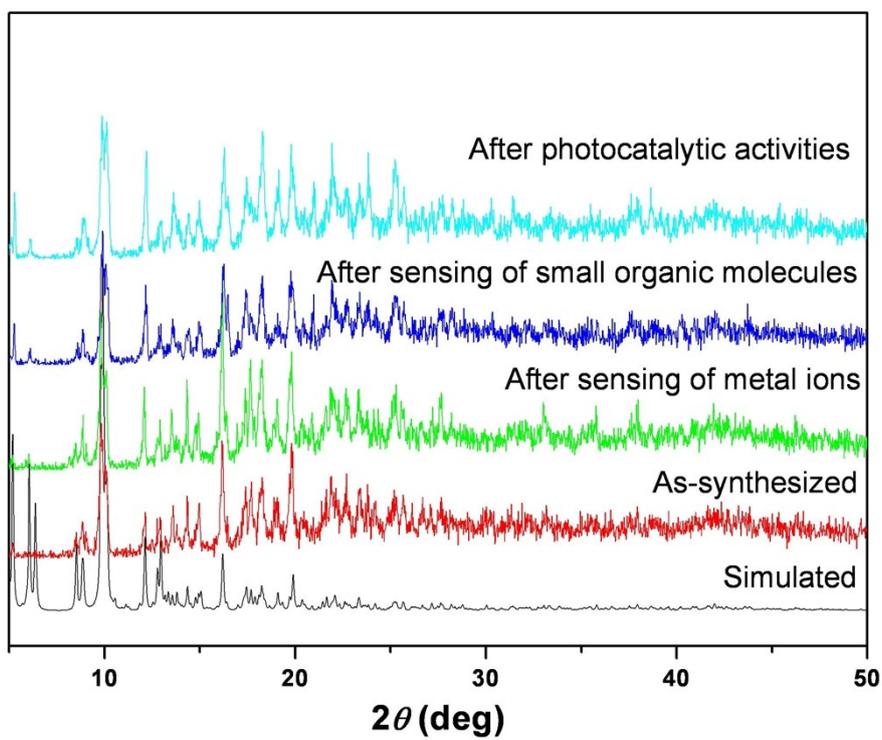


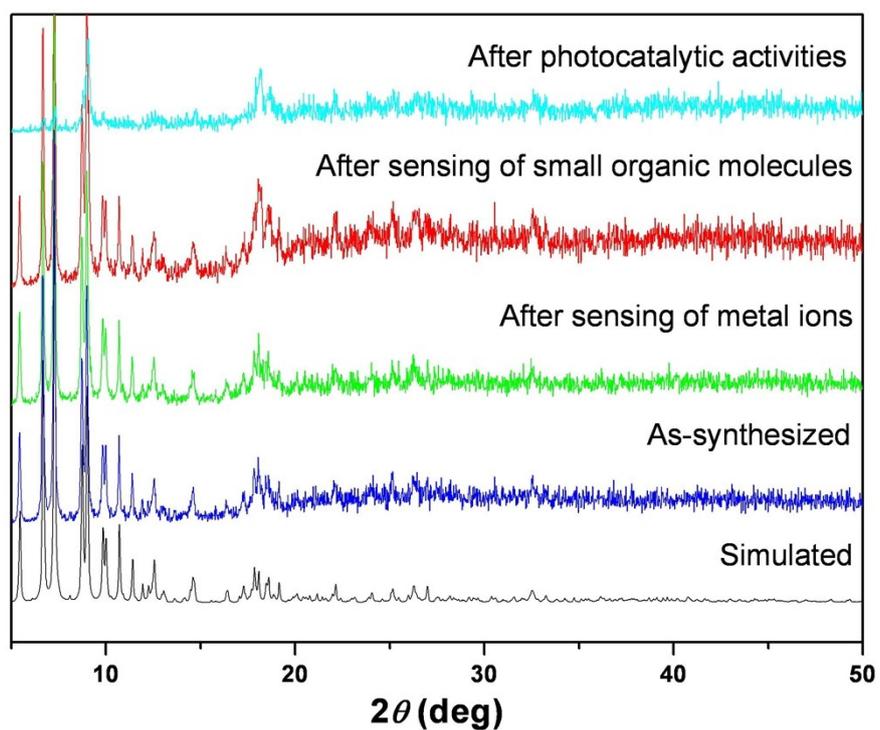
Fig. S4 Emission spectra of H₂L and Htpim and 1–3 in the solid state at room temperature ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 346$ nm for H₂L, 468 nm for Htpim, 467 nm for 1, 2 and 3, respectively).



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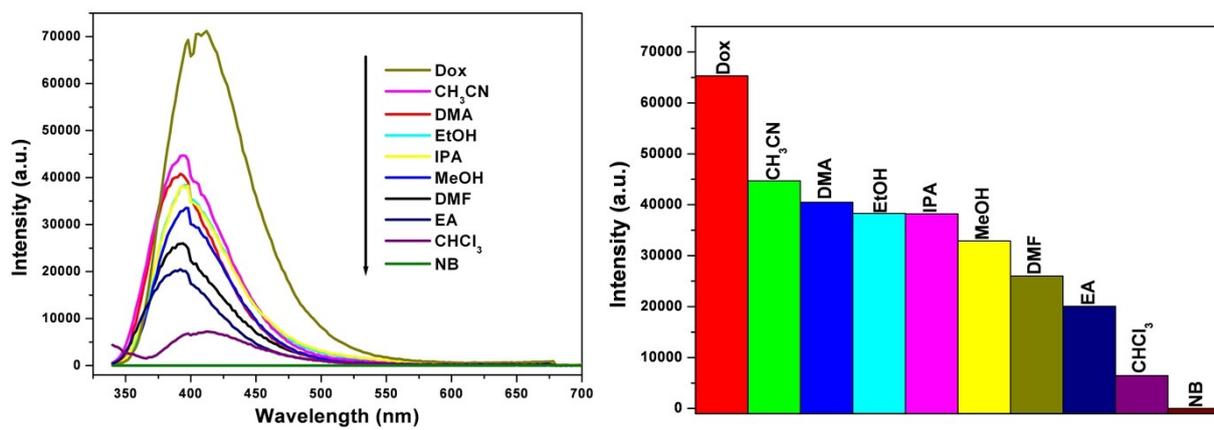


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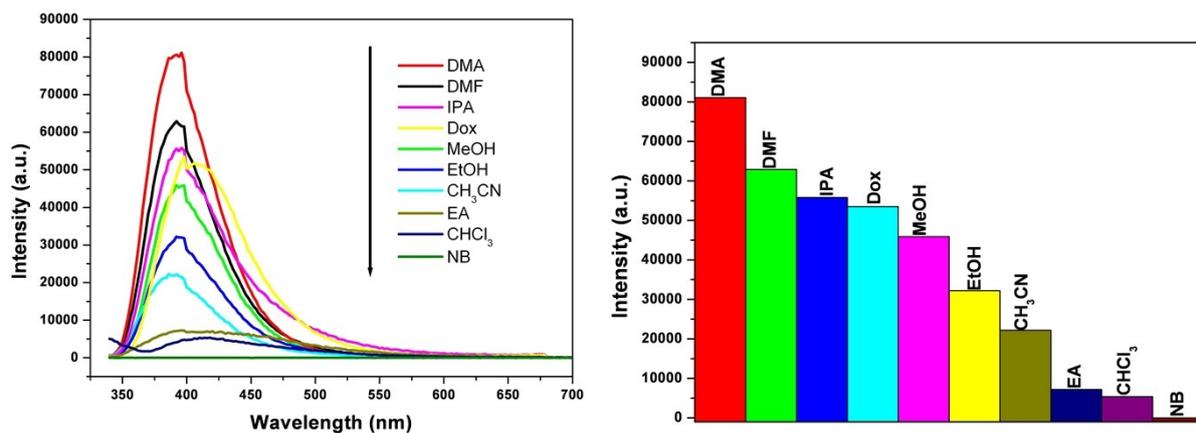


c)

Fig. S5 X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) patterns of simulated, as-synthesized, after sensing of metal ions and small organic molecules, after photocatalytic activities measured in air, respectively: a) for **1**, b) for **2**, and c) for **3**.

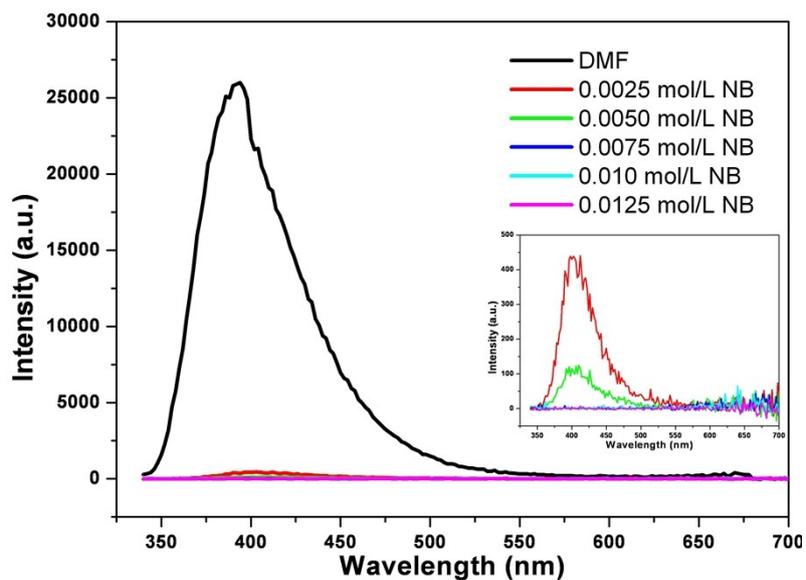


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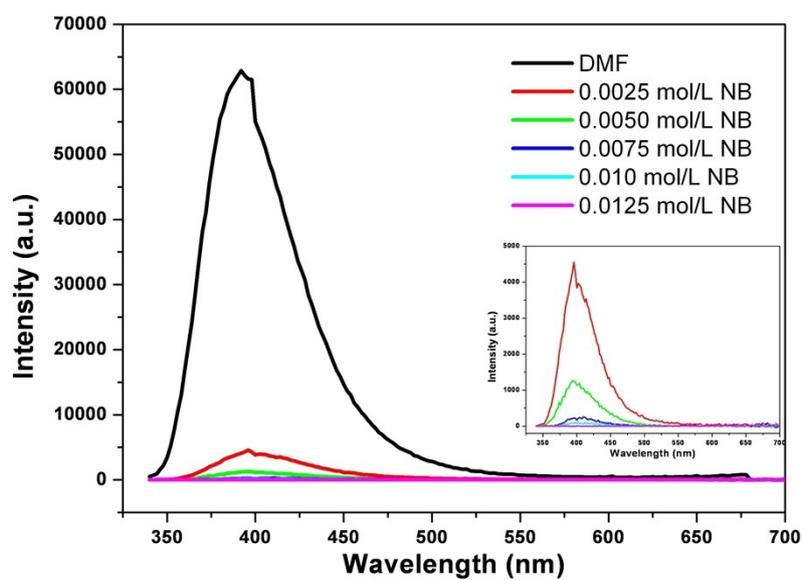


b)

Fig. S6 Emission spectra and intensities for **2** (a) and **3** (b) in different organic solvents.

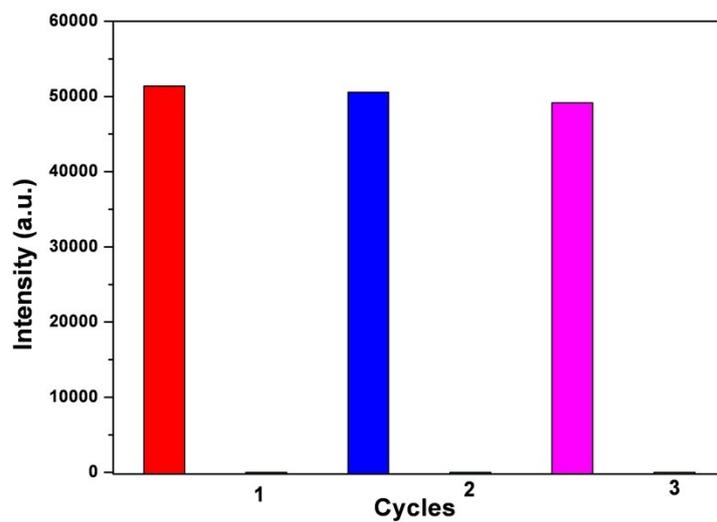


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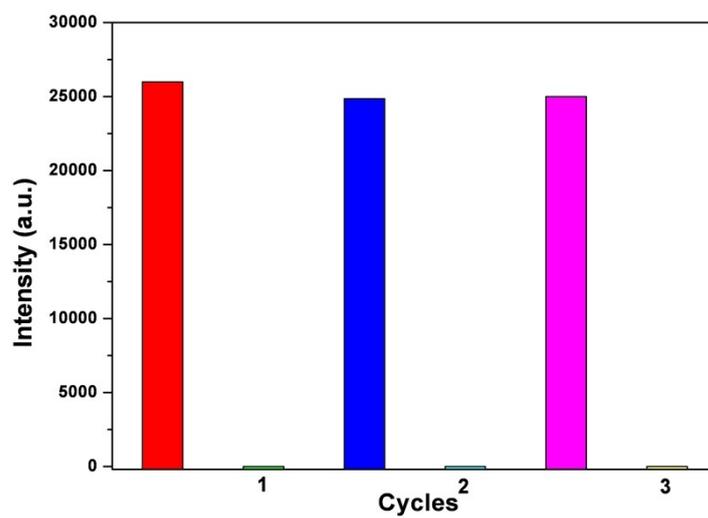


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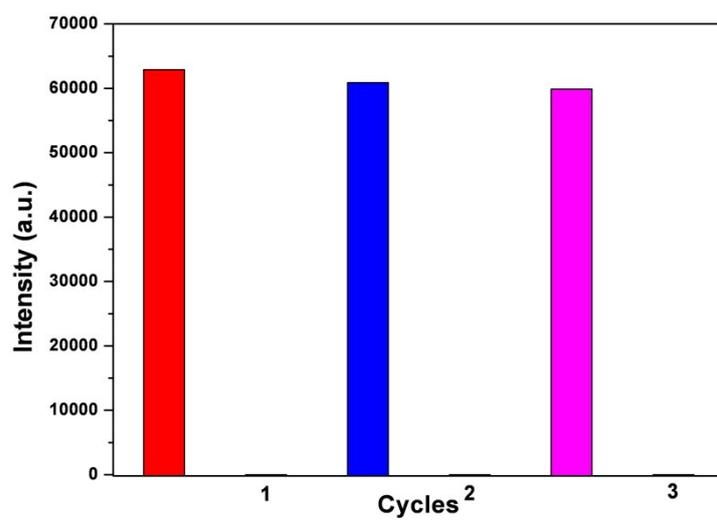
Fig. S7 Emission spectra of compounds **2** (a) and **3** (b) at different NB concentrations in DMF (Inset: Low intensity data of mission spectra of compounds **2** and **3**) (excited at 322nm for **2** and **3**).



a)

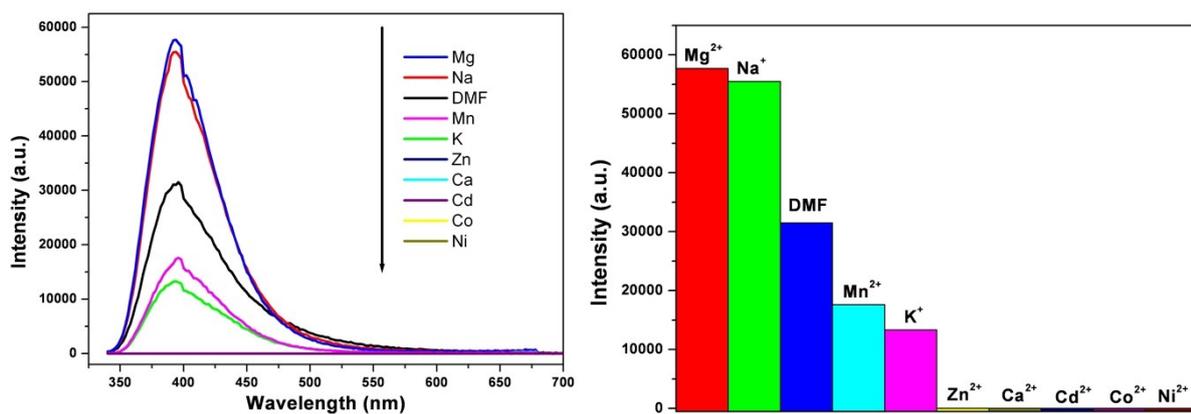


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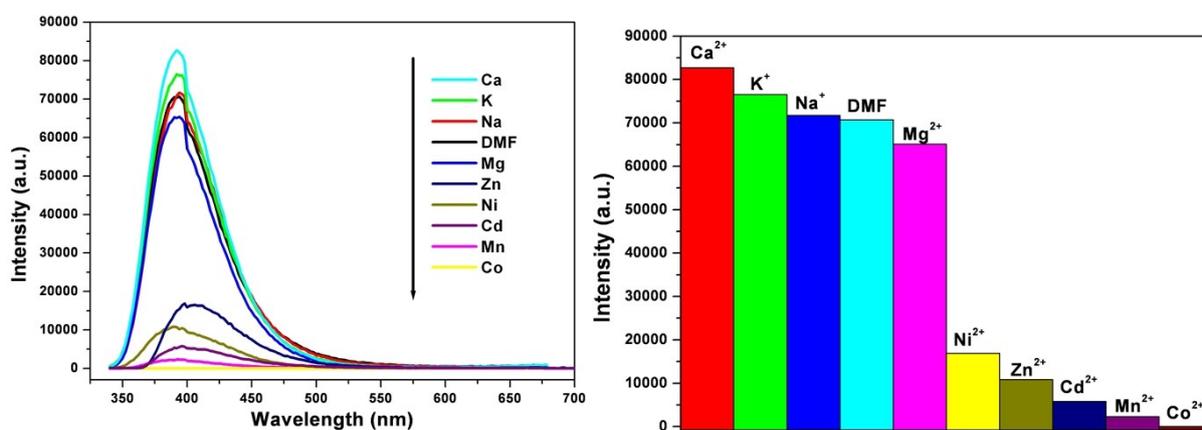


c)

Fig. S8 Recycling test of **1** (a), **2** (b) and **3** (c) as chemical sensors in sensing of nitrobenzene with 3 times.



a)



b)

Fig. S9. Emission spectra and intensities for 2 (a) and 3 (b) in DMF solutions of different metal ions.

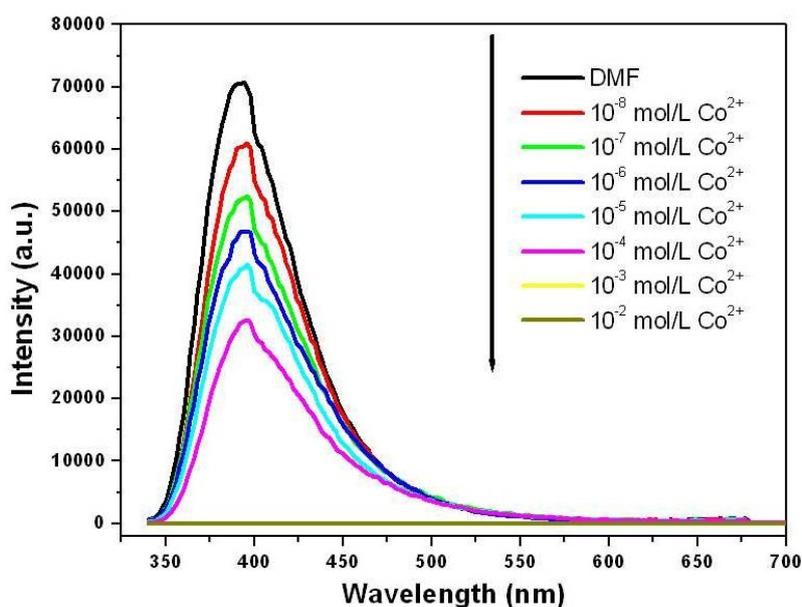


Fig. S10 Emission spectra of compound 3 at different metal ions concentrations in DMF.

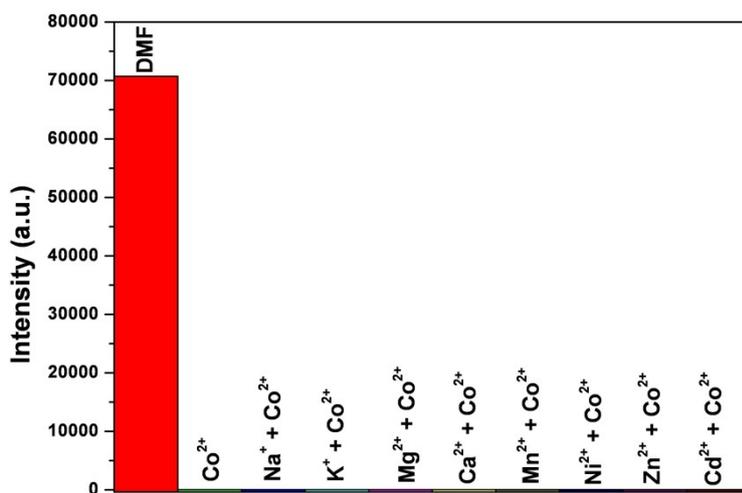


Fig. S11 Emission intensities of 3 in DMF solutions of mixed metal ions (10^{-3} mol/L)..

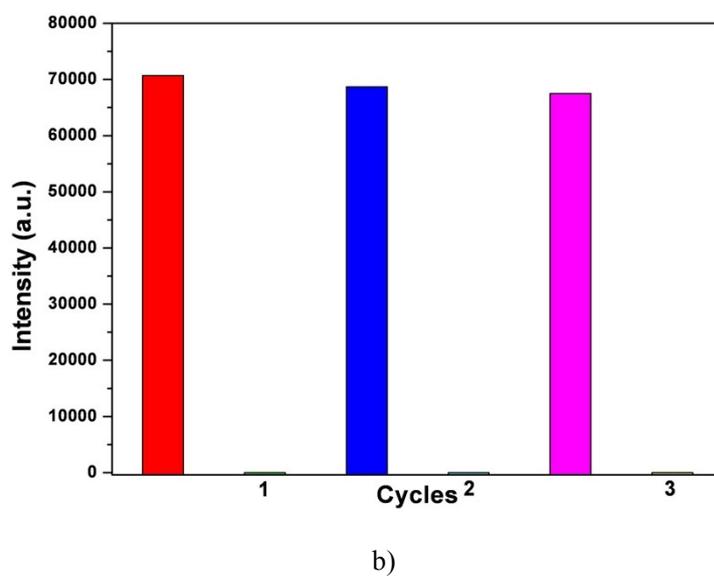
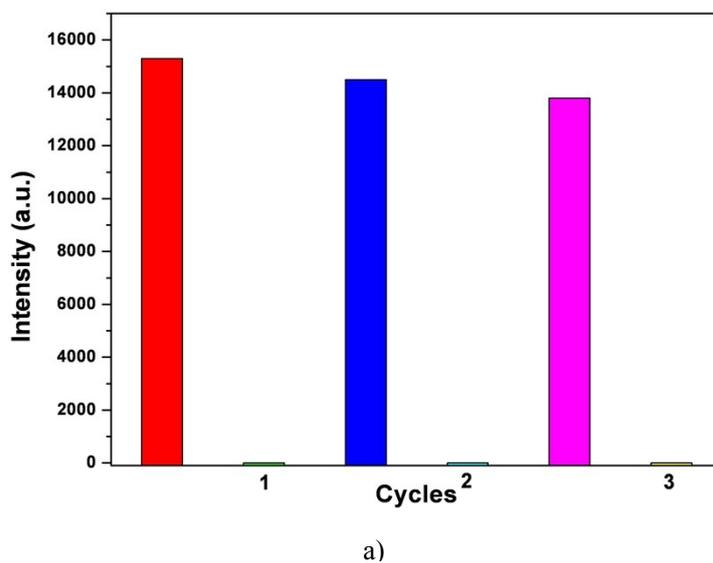
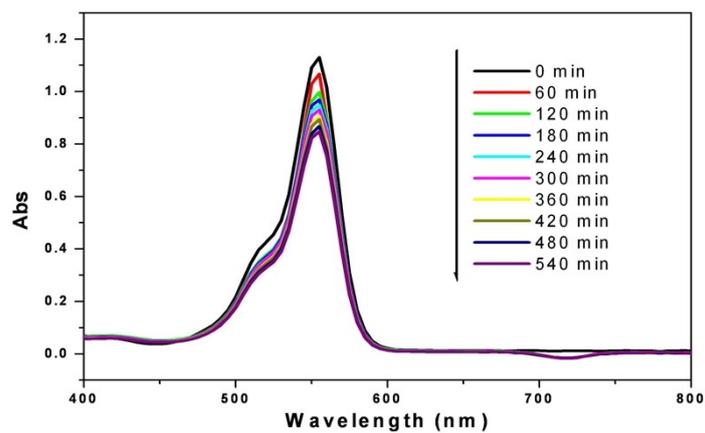
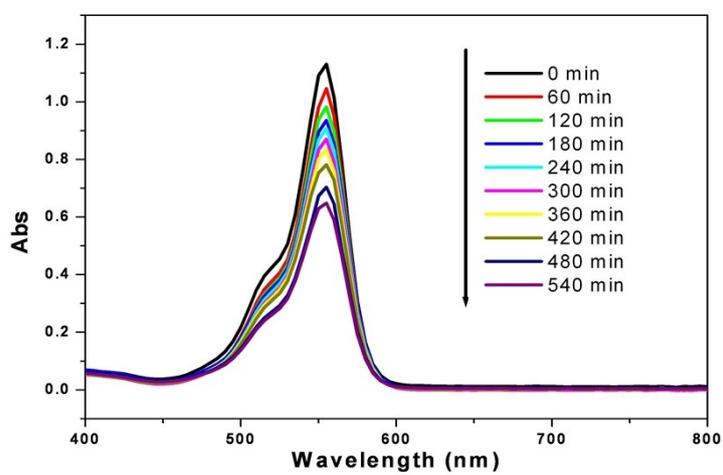


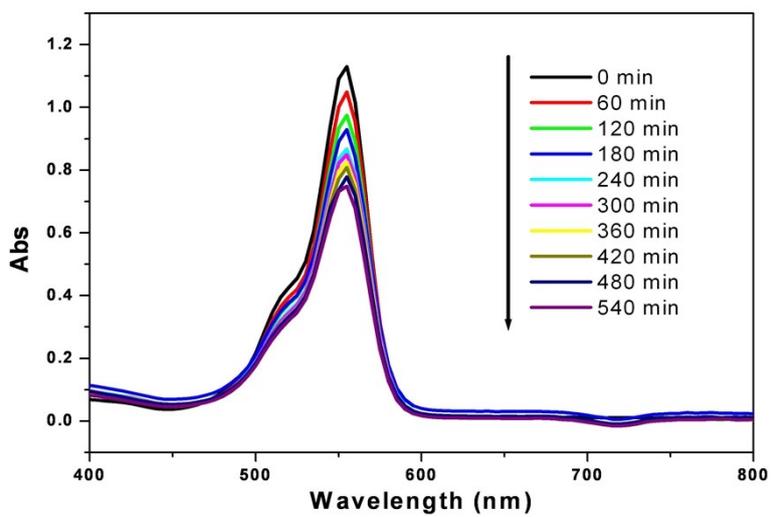
Fig. S12 Recycling test of 1 (a) and 3 (b) as chemical sensors in sensing of metal ions with 3 times.



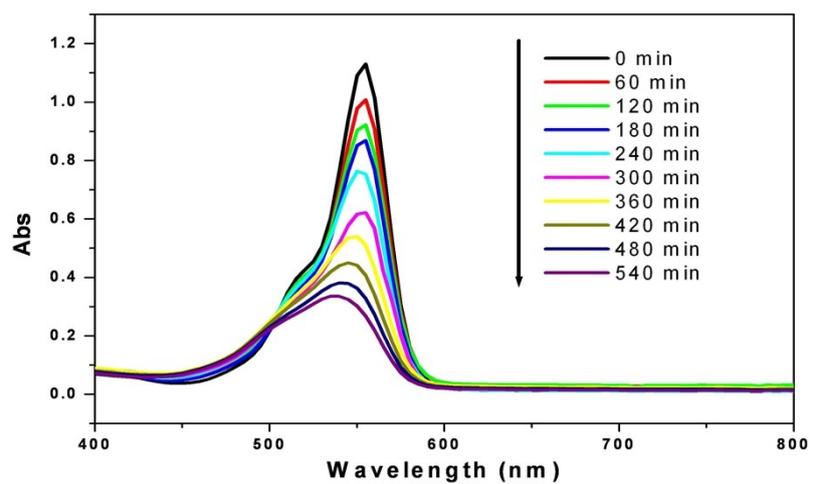
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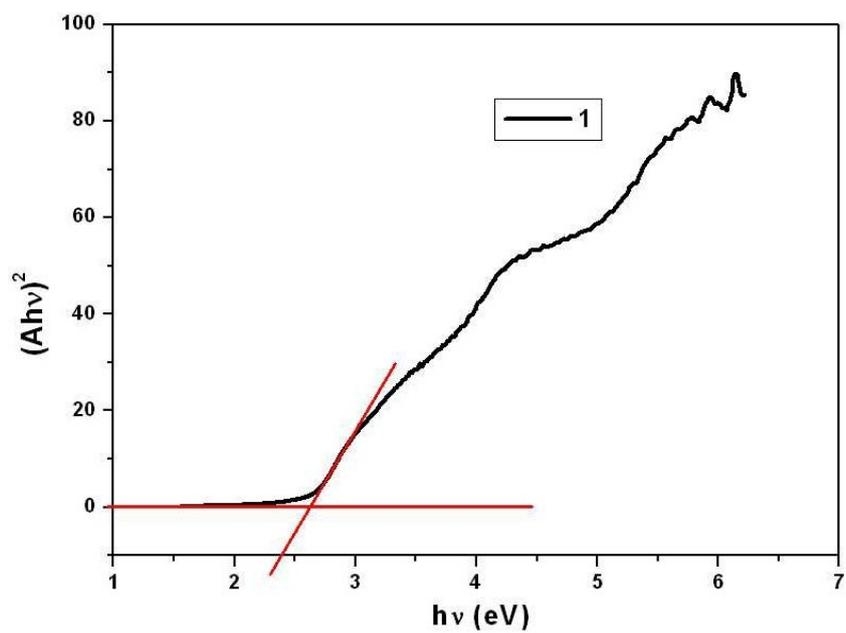


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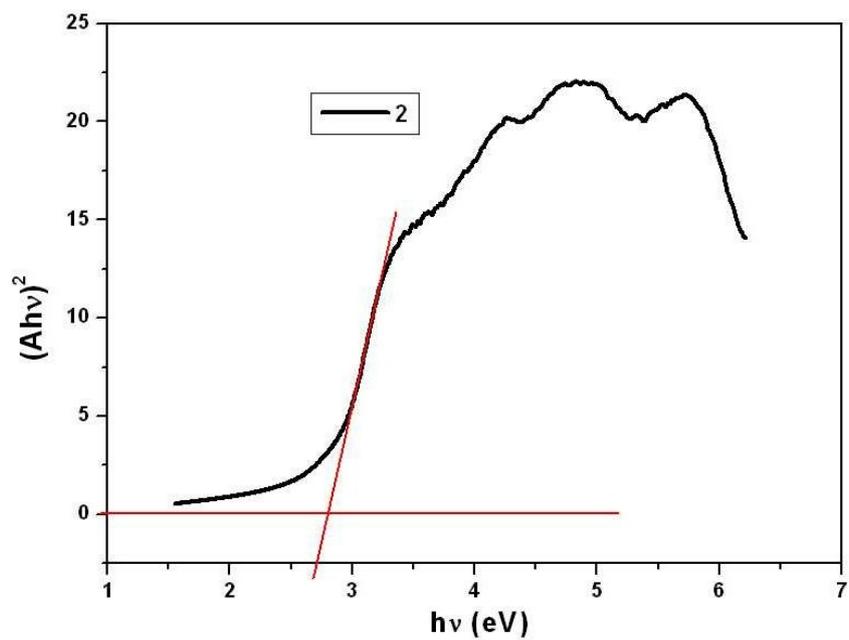


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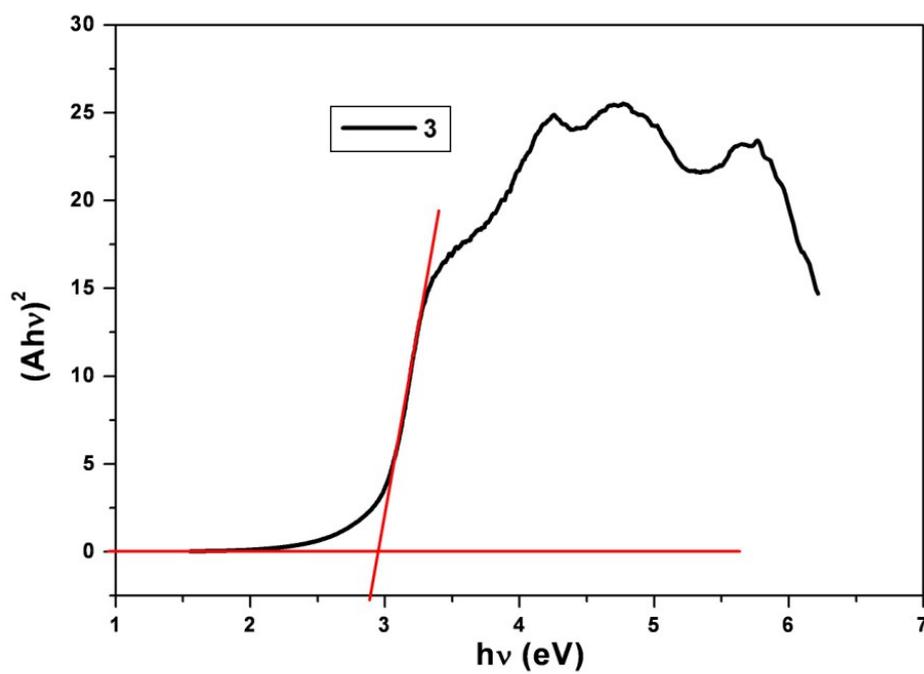
Fig. S13 UV-vis absorption spectra of the RhB solution during the decomposition reaction without any catalyst (a) or in the presence of **1** (b), **2** (c) and **3** (d).



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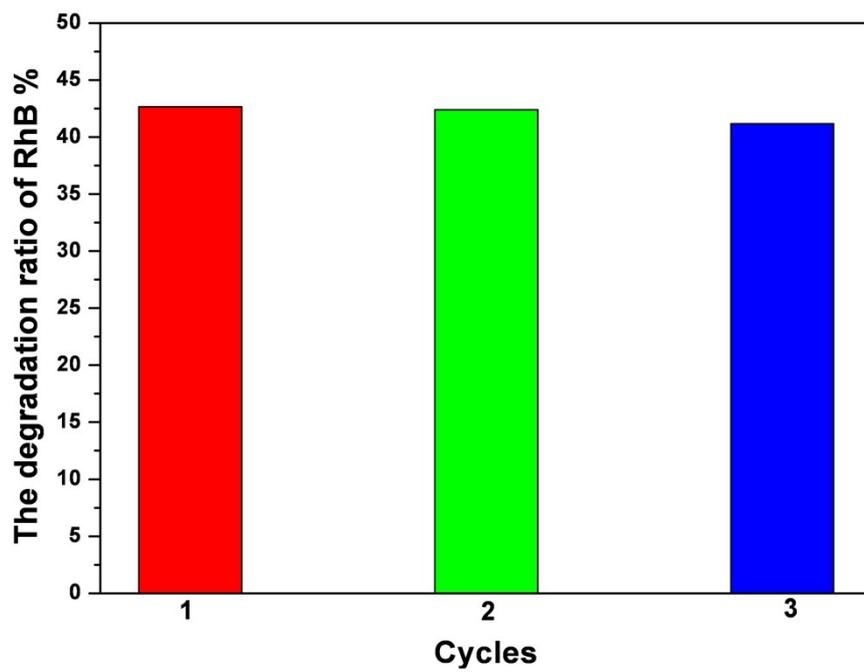


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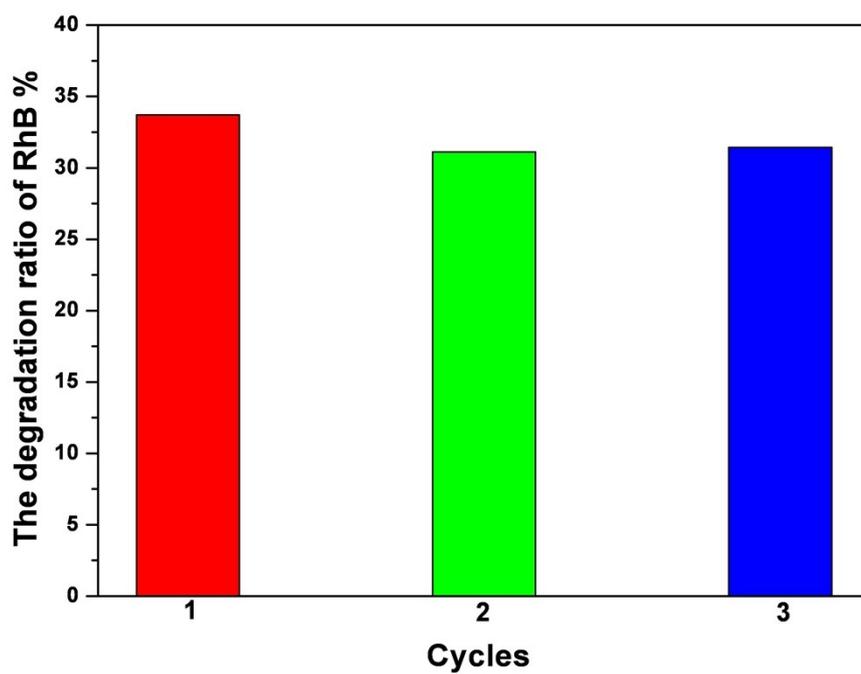


c)

Fig. S14 The $(Ah\nu)^2$ vs $h\nu$ curve of **1** (a), **2** (b) and **3** (c).



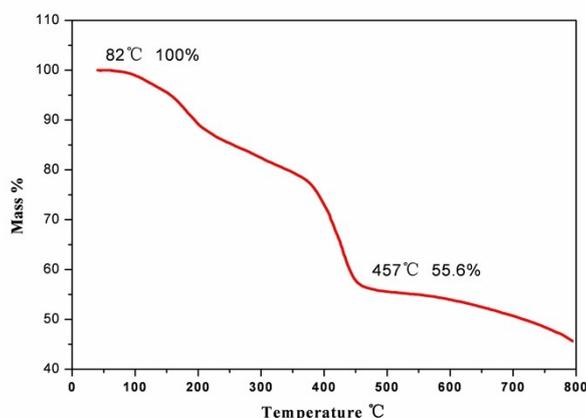
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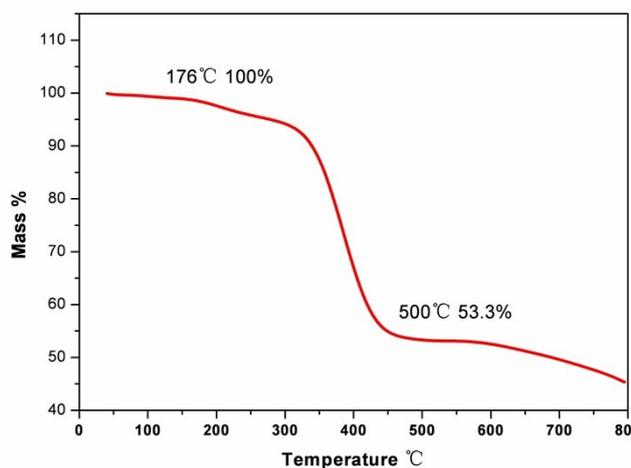
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Fig. S15 Recycling test of the photocatalytic degradation of RhB in DMF for **1** (a) and **2** (b) with 3 times.

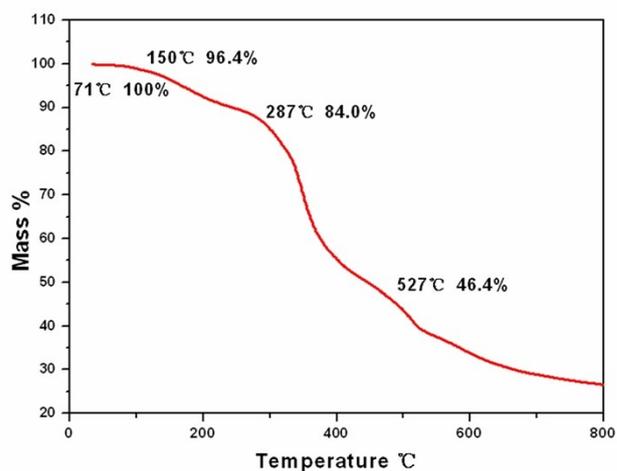
Thermogravimetric analyses. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) experiments were conducted to determine the thermal stabilities of **1–3** (Fig. S16). As shown in Fig. S2, the TGA curves of **1** and **2** are similar. The first weight loss occurs in the range of 82–457 °C for **1** and 176–500 °C for **2**, corresponding to the release of one **L** and two Htpim ligands (For **1**, calcd: 53.1%, observed: 55.6%; For **2**, calcd: 52.7%, observed: 53.3%). Then a consecutive weight loss does not end until heating to 800 °C. While in **3**, because of existence of DMF, the framework is only stable up to ca. 71°C. The TGA curve show the first weight loss of two DMF molecules (calcd: 3.8%; observed: 3.6%) occurs in the temperature range of 71–150°C. Secondly, the second weight loss of 10.4% in the range of 150–287°C corresponds to the release of one **L** ligand (calcd: 9.2%). Then, two **L** ligands and two Htpim ligands (calcd: 48.2%; observed: 50.0%) are released in the range of 287–527°C. Finally, the other weight loss does not end until heating to 800°C.



a)



b)



c)

Fig. S16 Thermogravimetric analyses (TG) patterns of a) for **1**, b) for **2** and c) for **3** measured from room temperature to 800 °C, respectively.