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### **Supporting Information**

Tailoring the structure, pH sensitivity and catalytic performance in Suzuki-Miyaura cross-couplings of Ln/Pd MOFs based on the 1,1'-di(p-carboxybenzyl)-2,2'-diimidazole linker

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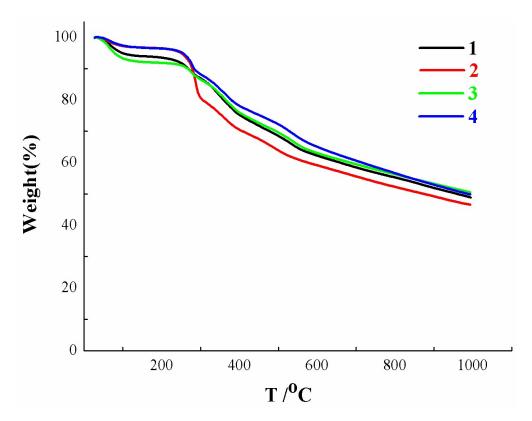


Fig. S1 TGA plots for different samples

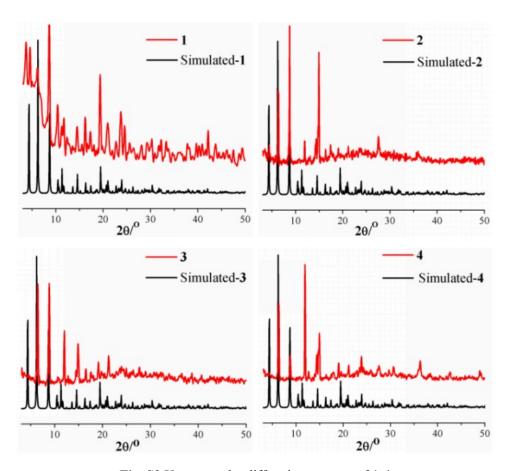


Fig. S2 X-ray powder diffraction patterns of 1-4

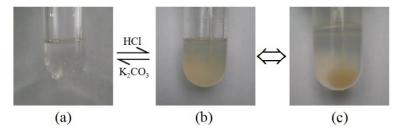
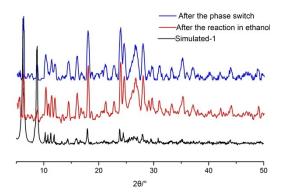


Fig. S3 (a) Complex 1 (0.4% mmol),  $K_2CO_3$  (2.0 mmol) in  $H_2O$  (6.0 mL); (b) acidified with diluted HCl (2.0 mol L<sup>-1</sup>) to pH = 4; (c) the mixture (b) after centrifugation.



**Fig. S4** X-ray powder diffraction patterns of **1.** Simulated (black); recovered after reaction in ethanol (red); precipitate [Fig. S3(c)] recovered from water after phase switch with acid (blue).

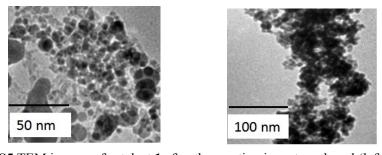


Fig. S5 TEM images of catalyst 1 after the reaction in water-ethanol (left) and water (right).

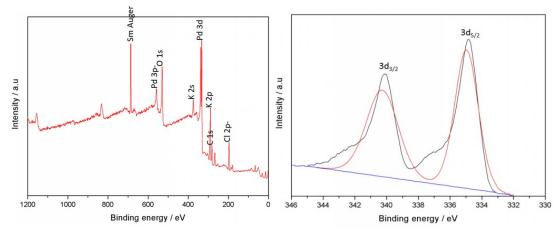


Fig. S6 XPS spectra of catalyst 1 after the reaction in water

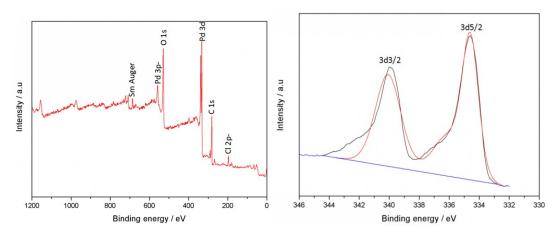


Fig. S7 XPS spectra of catalyst 1 after the reaction in water-ethanol

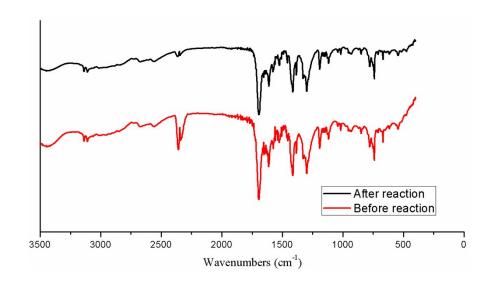


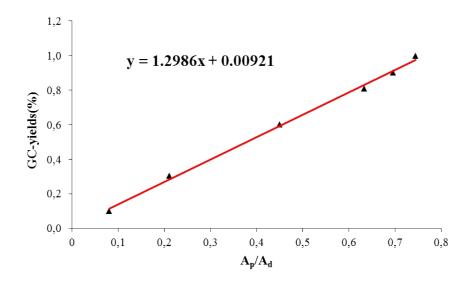
Fig. S8 IR spectra of 1, before and after the cross-coupling reaction in ethanol

#### **GC-yield Standard Curve**

The response peak area ratios of the product and internal standard.n-hexadecane (Ap/Ad) were obtained from Agilent 7890A GC spectrometer. All the GC-yields were calculated by the formula of curve fitting.

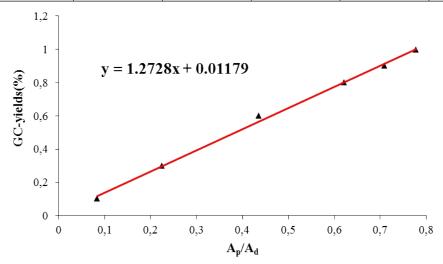
### GC-Yield Standard Curve of biphenyl

A <sub>p</sub> /A <sub>d</sub>	0.0806	0.2106	0.4497	0.6333	0.6953	0.7448
Yields	0.1	0.30	0.60	0.81	0.90	1.00



# GC-Yield Standard Curve of 4-Phenyltoluene

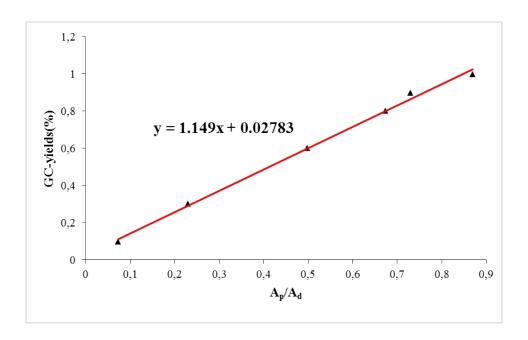
$A_p/A_d$	0.0833	0.2243	0.4362	0.6207	0.7095	0.7776	
Yields	0.1	0.30	0.60	0.80	0.90	1.00	



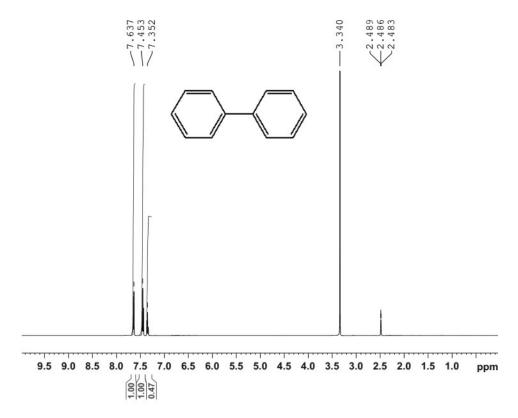
# GC-Yield Standard Curve of 4-Phenylacetophenone

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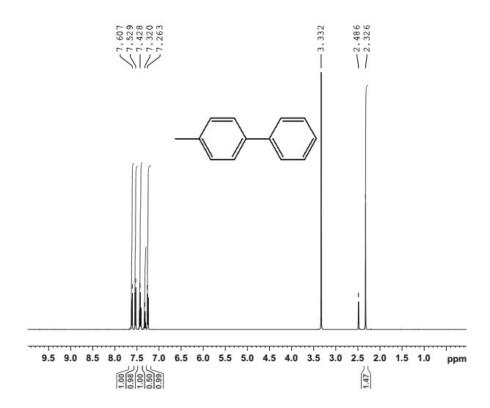
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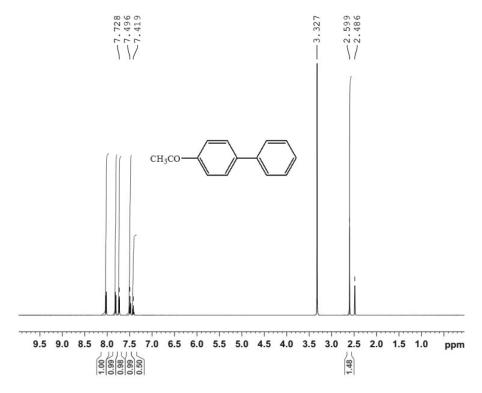
### <sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectra of products



**Biphenyl:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*6):  $\delta$  = 7.35 (*t*, 2H), 7.45(*t*, 4H), 7.64 (*d*, 4H).



**4-Methyl-1,1'-biphenyl:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*6):  $\delta$  = 2.33 (*s*, 3H), 7.26 (d, 2H), 7.32 (*t*, 1H), 7.43 (*t*, 2H), 7.53 (d, 2H), 7.61 (*d*, 2H).



**4-Acetyl-1,1'-biphenyl**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*6):  $\delta$  = 2.60 (*s*, 3H), 7.42 (*t*, 2H), 7.50 (*t*, 2H), 7.73 (*d*, 2H), 7.82 (*d*, 2H), 8.03(*d*, 2H)