

Supporting information

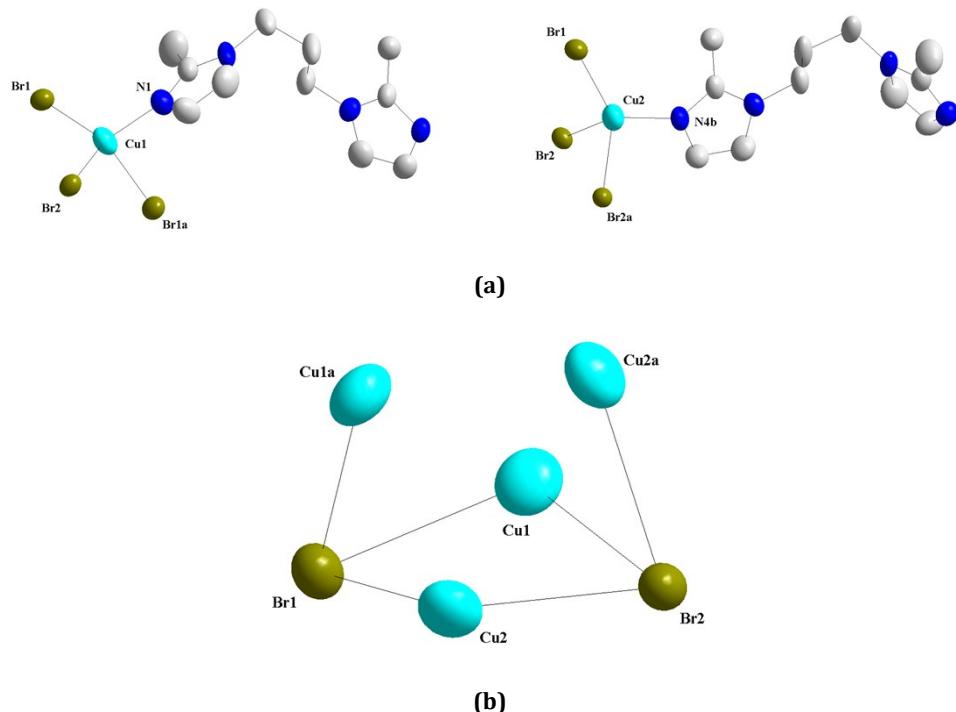


Fig. S1 Coordination environments of Cu1, Cu2 (a) and bridging modes of Br1, Br2 (b) in **1**.

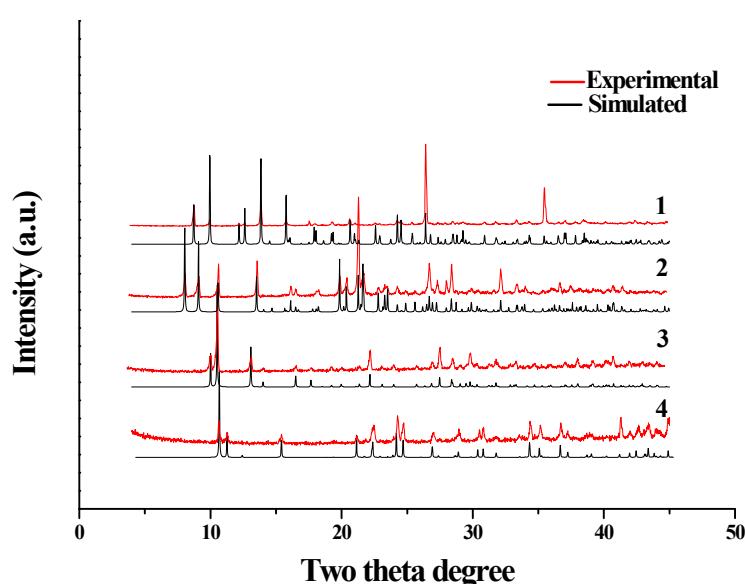


Fig. S2 Powder XRD patterns of **1-4**.

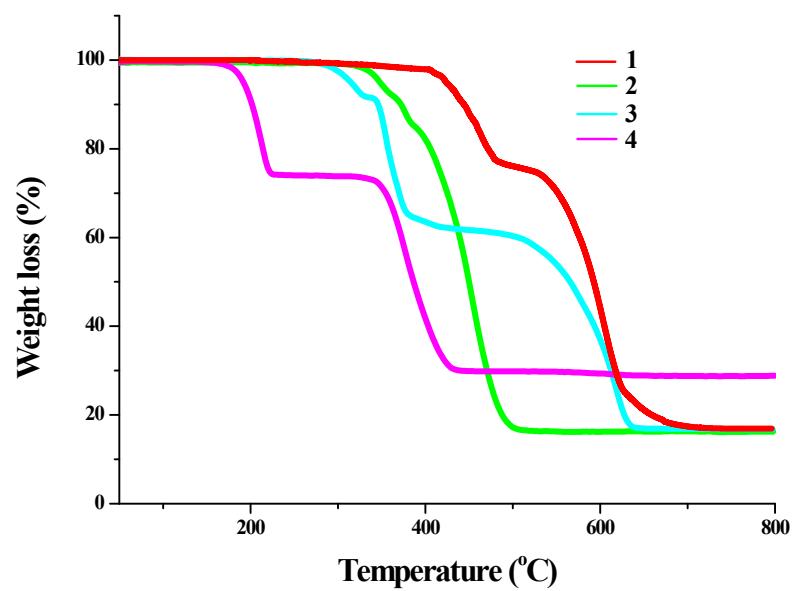
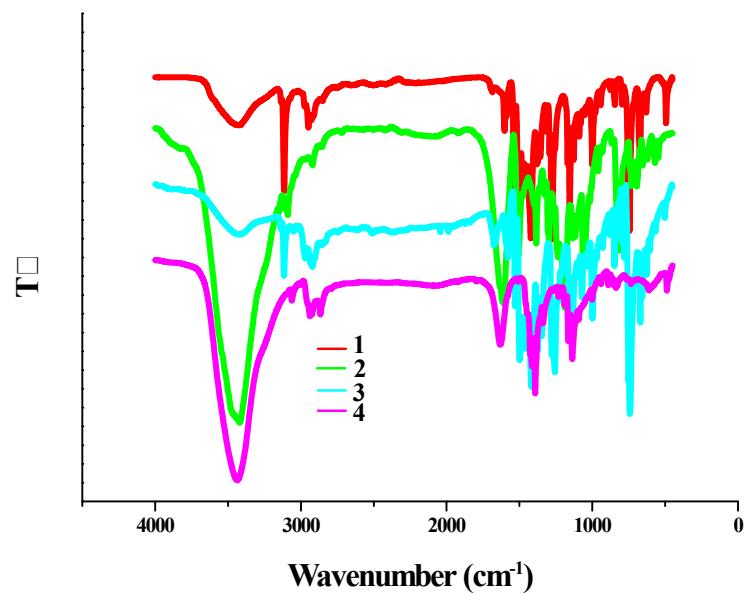


Fig. S3 TG curves of 1-4.



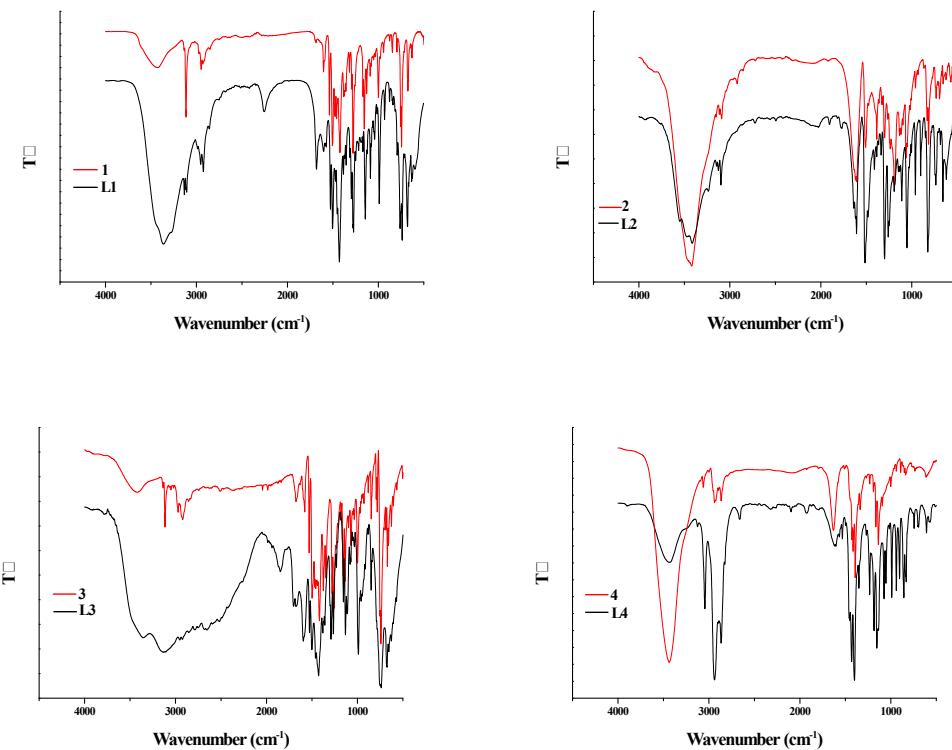


Fig. S4 IR spectra of **1-4**.

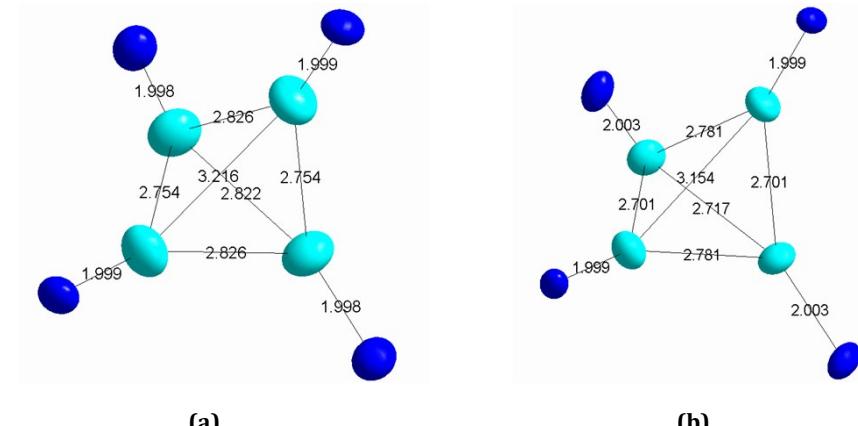
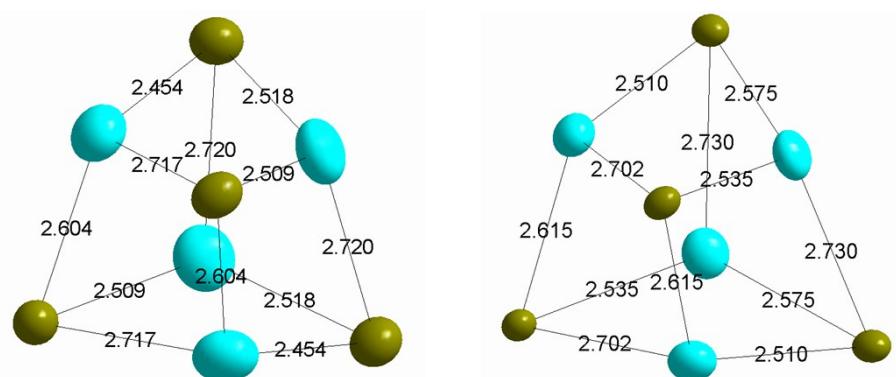
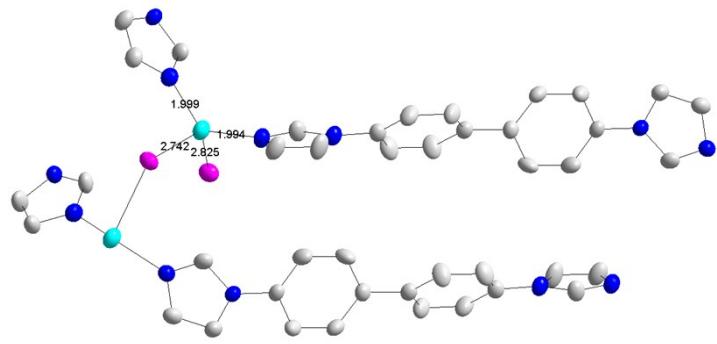


Fig. S5 Plots showing Cu-N and Cu···Cu distances at 299 K (a) and 173 K (b) in **1**.

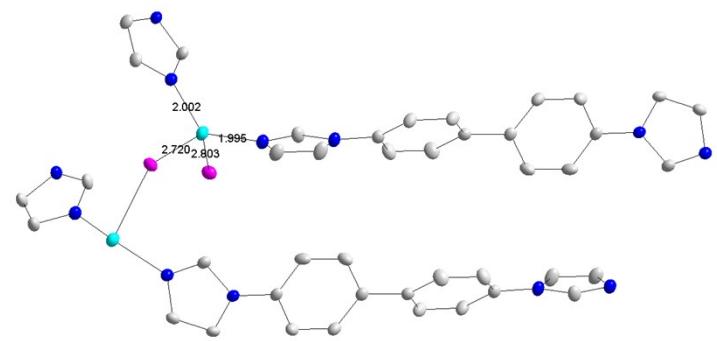


(a)

Fig. S6 Plots showing Cu-Br distances at 299 K (a) and 173 K (b) in **1**.

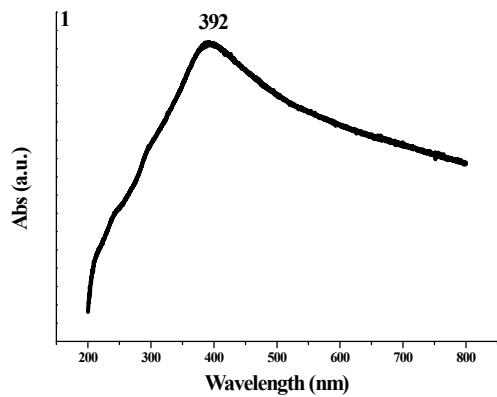


(a)



(b)

Fig. S7 Plots showing Cu-I and Cu-N distances at 297 K (a) and 173 K (b) in **2**.



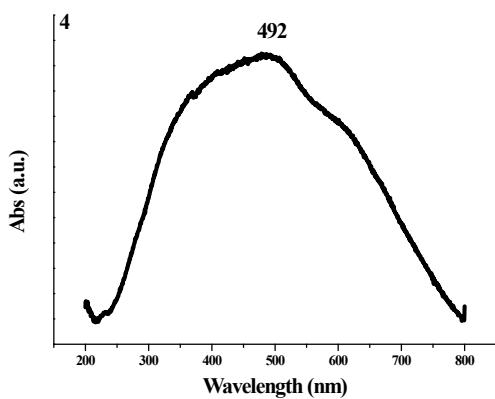
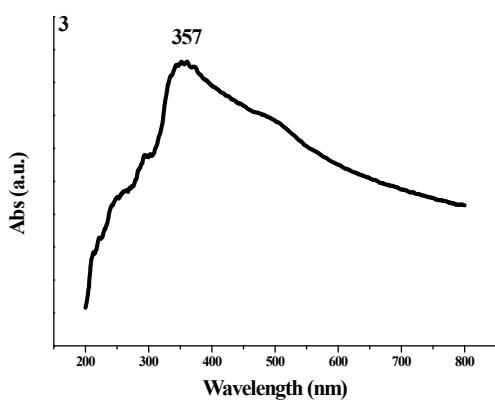
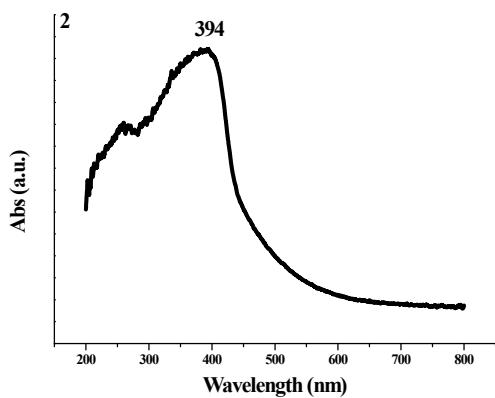


Fig. S8 Solid-state UV-vis spectra of **1-4** at room temperature.

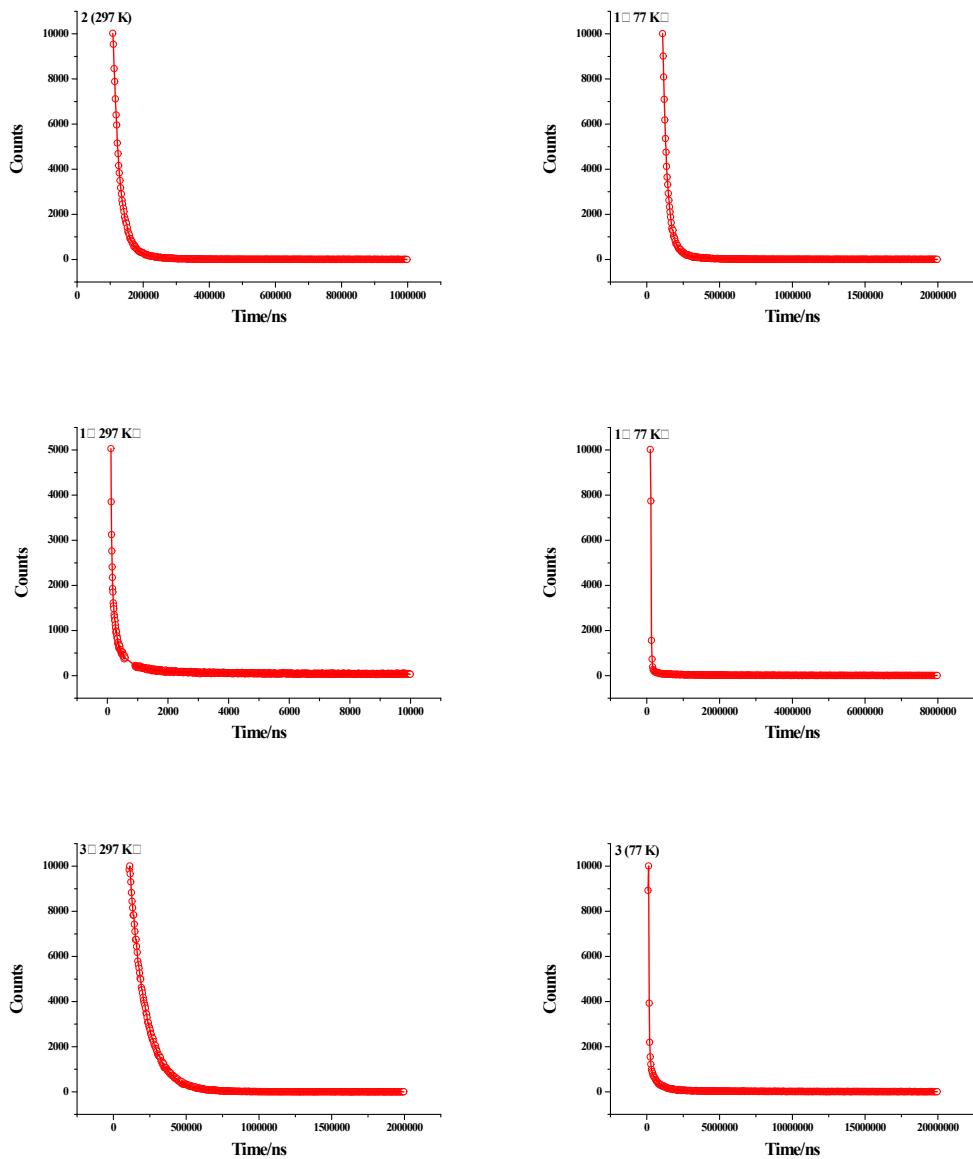


Fig. S9 Decay curves of **1**, **2** and **3** at 297 K and 77 K.

Table S1 Crystal data of **3** at 295 K

| | 3' |
|----------------|--|
| Formula | C ₁₆ H ₁₈ N ₄ CuI |
| <i>M</i> | 456.79 |
| <i>T</i> (K) | 295(2) |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic |
| Space group | <i>P</i> 2 ₁ /c |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 10.2408(4) |
| <i>b</i> (Å) | 11.2282(4) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 14.6987(5) |
| α (°) | 90 |
| β (°) | 98.7760(10) |

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|-------------------------|-------------|
| $\gamma(^{\circ})$ | 90 |
| $V(\text{\AA}^3)$ | 1670.35(11) |
| Z | 4 |
| $D_c(\text{g cm}^{-3})$ | 1.816 |
| $\mu(\text{mm}^{-1})$ | 3.157 |
| Reflections | 30816 |
| collected | |
| Unique reflections | 4140 |
| R_{int} | 0.1297 |
| Gof | 1.157 |
| $R_1, I > 2\sigma(I)$ | 0.0339 |
| wR_2 , all data | 0.1105 |

Table S2 Photoluminescence lifetimes of **1**, **2** and **3** at 297 K and 77 K

| | 297 K | 77 K |
|----------|--|--|
| 1 | $\tau_1 = 19.38 \mu\text{s}$, $B1 = 9690.382$ | $\tau_1 = 30.53 \mu\text{s}$, $B1 = 9613.146$ |
| | $\tau_2 = 68.35 \mu\text{s}$, $B2 = 664.031$ | $\tau_2 = 139.9 \mu\text{s}$, $B2 = 503.661$ |
| 2 | $\tau_1 = 46.05 \text{ ns}$, $B1 = 2652.986$ | $\tau_1 = 9.211 \mu\text{s}$, $B1 =$ |
| | $\tau_2 = 254 \text{ ns}$, $B2 = 1295.133$ | 40899.504 |
| | $\tau_3 = 1.441 \mu\text{s}$, $B3 = 211.228$ | $\tau_2 = 89.8 \mu\text{s}$, $B2 = 481.609$ |
| | | $\tau_3 = 1.240 \text{ ms}$, $B3 = 77.596$ |
| 3 | $\tau_1 = 112.9 \mu\text{s}$, $B1 = 9650.912$ | $\tau_1 = 49.03 \mu\text{s}$, $B1 = 6150.210$ |
| | | $\tau_2 = 540.6 \mu\text{s}$, $B2 = 1156.404$ |
| | | $\tau_3 = 3.848 \text{ ms}$, $B3 = 77.005$ |

The decay curves for **1** at 297 and 77K are fitted into a double exponential function. The decay curves for **2** at 297 K and 77 K are fitted into a triple exponential function. The decay curves for **3** at 297 K is fitted into a single exponential function, whereas the decay curve for **3** at 77 K is fitted into a triple exponential function. Bi is the pre-exponential function for the lifetime τ_i .