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New two-dimensional Cd(II) coordination networks bearing benzimidazolyl-based linkers as bifunctional chemosensors for detection of acetylacetone and Fe³⁺

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Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinements for the **1** and **2**

CP	1	2
Chemical formula	C _{33.40} H _{36.20} CdN ₄ O _{4.70}	C ₂₃ H ₂₀ CdN ₂ O ₅
Formula weight	681.26	516.81
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$
<i>a</i> (Å)	11.553(2)	6.798(8)
<i>b</i> (Å)	14.353(1)	11.317(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	19.165(1)	14.791(9)
α (°)	90	77.99(2)
β (°)	102.03(3)	70.81(2)
γ (°)	90	87.46(2)
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	3108.37(7)	1051.6(2)
<i>Z</i>	4	2
<i>D</i> _{calcd} (g/cm ³)	1.488	1.632
Absorption coefficient, mm ⁻¹	0.749	1.076
<i>F</i> (000)	1401	520
Crystal size, mm	0.26 x 0.23 x 0.22	0.20 x 0.16 x 0.12
θ range, deg	2.294-26.372	2.969-28.388
Index range <i>h, k, l</i>	-14/14, -17/17, -23/20	-7/9, -15/15, -19/19
Reflections collected	18630	15054
Independent reflections (<i>R</i> _{int})	3150(0.0637)	5179 (0.0179)
Data/restraint/parameters	3150 / 26 / 238	5179 / 0 / 297
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.089	1.006
Final <i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	0.0609, 0.1781	0.0209, 0.0583
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.064, -1.658	0.395, -0.490

Table S2 Selected Bond Lengths [Å] and Angles [°] for the **1** and **2**

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
1			
Cd1–O1	2.270(4)	Cd1–O1A	2.270(4)
Cd1–N1	2.273(3)	Cd1–N1A	2.273(3)
Cd1–O2	2.350(4)	Cd1–O2A	2.350(5)
O1A–Cd1–O1	169.00(2)	O1A–Cd1–N1	86.20(2)
O1–Cd1–N1	98.60(2)	O1A–Cd1–N1A	98.60(1)
O1–Cd1–N1A	86.20(2)	N1–Cd1–N1A	127.50(2)
O1A–Cd1–O2A	48.00(2)	O1–Cd1–O2A	122.50(2)
N1–Cd1–O2A	125.40(2)	N1A–Cd1–O2A	92.40(2)
N1–Cd1–O2	92.40(2)	N1A–Cd1–O2	125.40(2)
O2–Cd1–O2A	90.90(2)	O2A–Cd1–O2A	90.90(2)
O1A–Cd1–O2	48.00(2)		
2			
Cd1–N1	2.229(2)	Cd1–O1	2.234(1)
Cd1–O5	2.342(2)	Cd1–O4B	2.342(2)
Cd1–O1A	2.351(2)	Cd1–O3B	2.380(2)
O1–Cd1–O5	98.57(2)	N1–Cd1–O5	89.34(2)
N3–Cd1–N1A	91.55(2)	N1–Cd1–O4B	106.09(2)
O1–Cd1–O4B	141.37(2)	O5–Cd1–O4B	93.31(2)
N1–Cd1–O1A	101.01(2)	O1–Cd1–O1A	76.72(2)
O5–Cd1–O1A	169.59(2)	O4B–Cd1–O1A	86.95(2)
N1–Cd1–O3B	157.43(2)	O1–Cd1–O3B	89.82(2)
O5–Cd1–O3A	79.22(2)	O4B–Cd1–O3B	55.38(2)
O1A–Cd1–O3B	91.39(2)		

Symmetry codes for **1**: A = A: 1-x, y, 0.5-z; for **2**: A: 1-x, 1-y, 1-z; B: -x, 1-y, 1-z.

Table S3. Simulated in different environments at room temperature

serial number	Inclusion factor
S-1	Fe ³⁺ + distilled water
S-2	Fe ³⁺ + tap water
S-3	Fe ³⁺ + Cd ²⁺ , Ag ⁺ , Cu ²⁺ , Pb ²⁺
S-4	Fe ³⁺ + Zn ²⁺ , Ni ²⁺ , Co ²⁺ , Sm ³⁺
S-5	Fe ³⁺ + Gd ³⁺ , Al ³⁺ , Hg ²⁺ , La ³⁺
S-6	Fe ³⁺ + tap water + all cation
S-7	acac + distilled water
S-8	acac + tap water
S-9	acac + EtOH, MeCN, DMF
S-10	acac + DMSO, DCM, EG
S-11	acac + MeOH, AT, NMP
S-12	acac + tap water +all organic solvents

S stands for simulation, Ethanol (EtOH), Acetonitrile (MeCN), *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF), Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO), dichloromethane (DCM), methanol (MeOH), Acetone(AT), Acetylacetone (acac), Ethylene glycol (EG) and *N*-Methyl pyrrolidone (NMP).

Table S4. Comparison of the sensitivities of **1** and **2** for acac with related CPs

CPs	LOD/M	Ref
$\{[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}_2][\text{Zn}(\text{FDA})(\text{BTZ})_2]\}_n$	6.47×10^{-7}	[14]
$\{[\text{Zn}_2(\text{XN})_2(\text{IPA})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}\}_n$	0.25×10^{-7}	[17]
$\{[\text{Zn}_3(\text{bbib})_2(\text{ndc})_3] \cdot 2\text{DMF} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}\}_n$	0.10×10^{-7}	[16]
$\{[\text{Zn}(\text{XL})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}\}_n$	1.72×10^{-7}	[15]
1	2.45×10^{-6}	This work
2	1.40×10^{-6}	This work

H₂FDA = furan-2,5-dicarboxylic acid, HBTZ = 1*H*-benzotriazole, XN = 4'-(4-pyridine)4,2':2',4''-terpyridine, IPA

= isophthalic acid, bbib = 1,3-bis(benzimidazolyl)benzene, H₂ndc = 1,4-naphthalenedicarboxylic acid, XL=*N,N'*-

bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-7-ene-2,3,5,6-tetracarboxdiimide bi(1,2,4-triazole).

Table S5. Comparison of the sensitivities of **1** and **2** with previously reported CPs to

Fe³⁺ ions

CPs	LOD/M	Ref
Cd-DTA	0.82×10 ⁻⁶	[11]
Zn-DTA	1.03×10 ⁻⁶	[11]
[Cd(PAM)(4-bpdb) _{1.5}]DMF	0.3×10 ⁻⁶	[18]
1	8.51×10 ⁻⁶	This work
2	0.10×10 ⁻⁶	This work

H₂DTA = 2,5-di(1H-imidazol-1-yl)terephthalic acid, PAM= 4,4-methylenebis(3-hydroxy-2-naphthalene-carboxylic acid), 4-bpdb = 1,4-bis(4-pyridyl)-2,3-diaza-1,3-butadiene

Fig. S1. 1D chain of metal Cd(II) growth by 1,4-PDA²⁻ and L ligands.

Fig. S2. One 1D double straight-line of metal Cd(II) growth by 1,8-NDC²⁻ ligands and one unit [Cd(L)] of metal Cd(II) growth by L ligands.

Fig. S3. The infrared spectrum of **1** and **2**.

Fig. S4. The PXRD pattern of the bulk sample is consistent with the simulated pattern of the single crystal structure in **1** and **2**.

Fig. S5. PXRD patterns of **1** and **2** for various organic small molecules.

Fig. S6. PXRD patterns of **1** and **2** for various anions in cation solution.

Fig. S7. (a) The PXRD patterns of **1** in different pH solutions; (b) The PXRD patterns of **2** in different pH solutions.

Fig. S8. The change of the fluorescence emission intensity of **1** and **2** in different pH solutions.

Fig. S9. TGA curves of **1** and **2**

Fig. S10. Quantum yield measurement for **1** (a) and **2** (b).

Fig. S11. Solid luminescence lifetime of **1** (a) and **2** (b).

Fig. S12. Time-dependent emission spectra of **1** and **2** suspended in aqueous solutions.

Fig. S13. Comparison of the luminescence intensity of **1** (a) and **2** (b) in the presence of mixed organic solvents.

Fig. S14. Histogram of **1** (a) and **2** (b) dispersed in aqueous solution in the presence of different metal cation. Solvent: DMSO/H₂O (1:1, v/v).

Fig. S15. Fluorescence emission spectra of Fe³⁺ ions and other metal ions in **1** (a) and **2** (b) at room temperature.

Fig. S16. (a) PXRD patterns of **1** or **2** dispersed in water, **1** or **2** dispersed in a Fe³⁺ solution and the recycled sample; (b) PXRD patterns of **1** or **2** dispersed in water, **1** or **2** dispersed in an acac solution and the recycled sample. Solvent: DMSO/H₂O (1:1, v/v).

Fig. S17. (a) **1** and **2** are the first time in water, the first cycle, the first time to add Fe³⁺, the second cycle and the fifth cycle of fluorescence emission intensity. (b) **1** and **2** are the first time in water, the first cycle, the first time to add acac, the second cycle and the fifth cycle of fluorescence emission intensity. Solvent: DMSO/H₂O (1:1, v/v).

Fig. S18. (a) Effects of pH on the fluorescence maxima of **1** + acac (circle) and **1** + Fe³⁺ (triangle); (a) Effects of pH on the fluorescence maxima of **2** + acac (circle) and **2** + Fe³⁺ (triangle). Solvent: DMSO/H₂O (1:1, v/v)

Fig. S19. The relationship between the fluorescence intensity of Fe³⁺ (a) or acac (b) detected over time in different simulated environments in **1**.

Fig. S20. The relationship between the fluorescence intensity of Fe³⁺ (a) or acac (b) detected over time in different simulated environments in **2**.

Fig. S21. Spectral overlap between the absorption spectra of Fe³⁺ ions and the excitation spectra of **1** and **2**.

Fig. S22. Spectral overlap between the absorption spectra of acac ions and the excitation spectra of **1** and **2**.

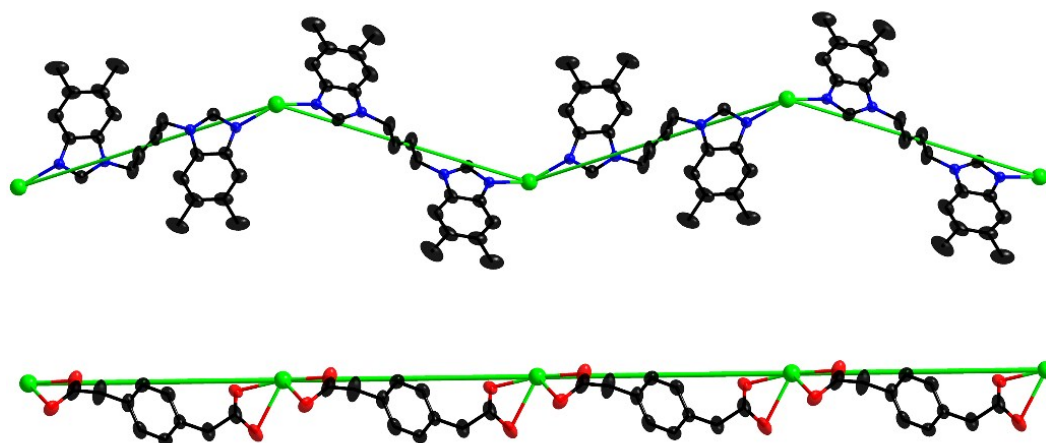


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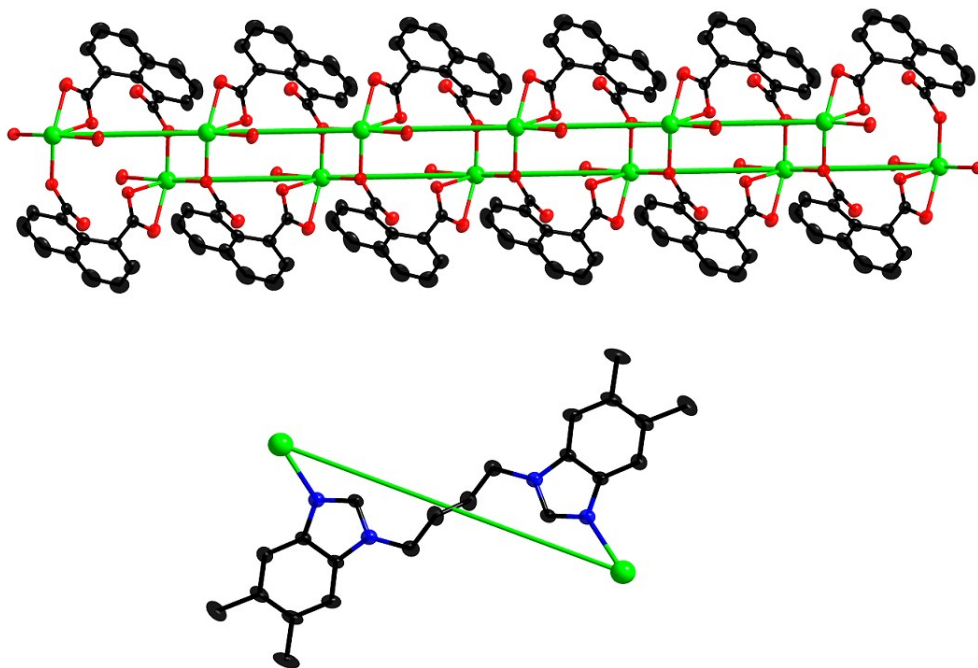


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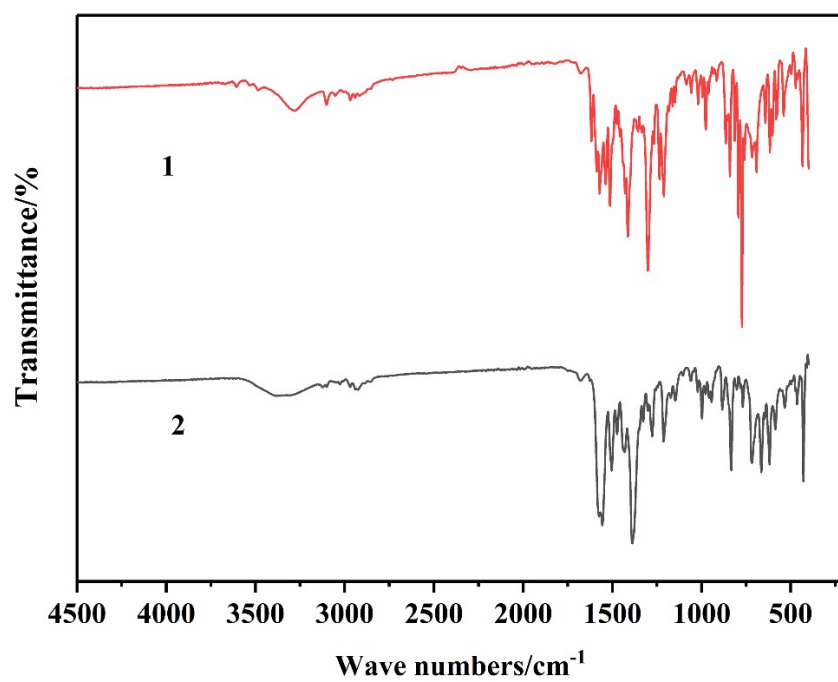


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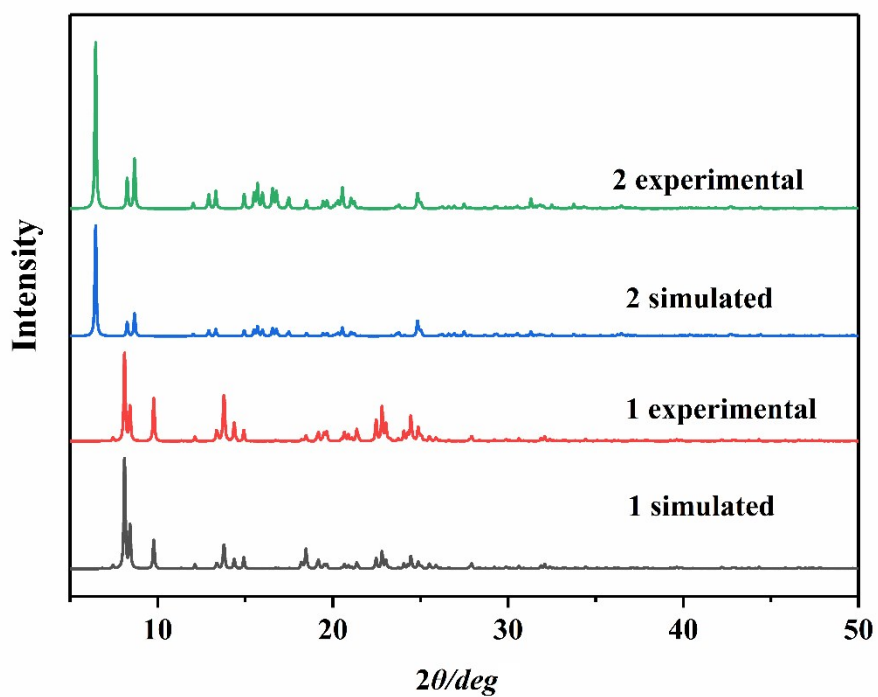


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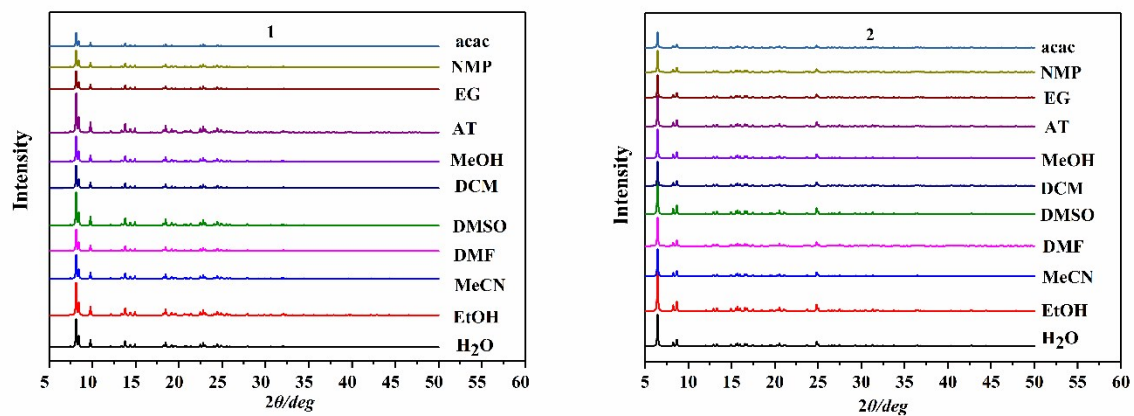


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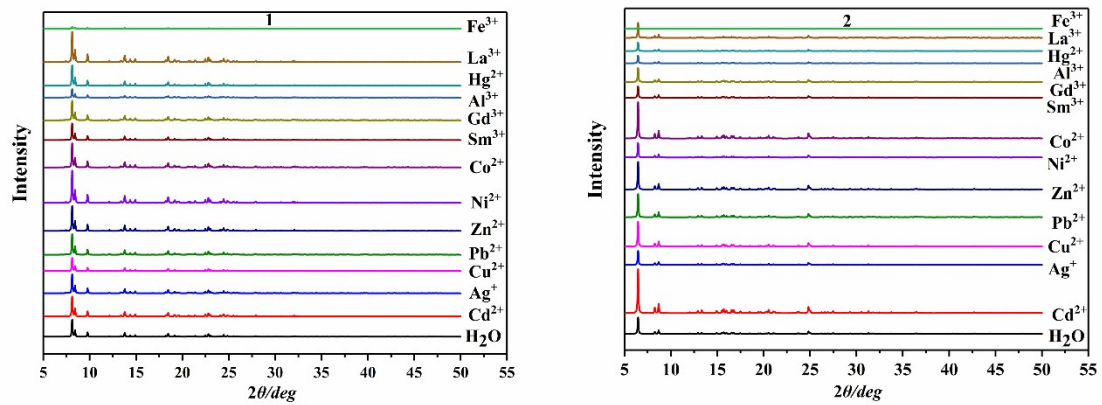
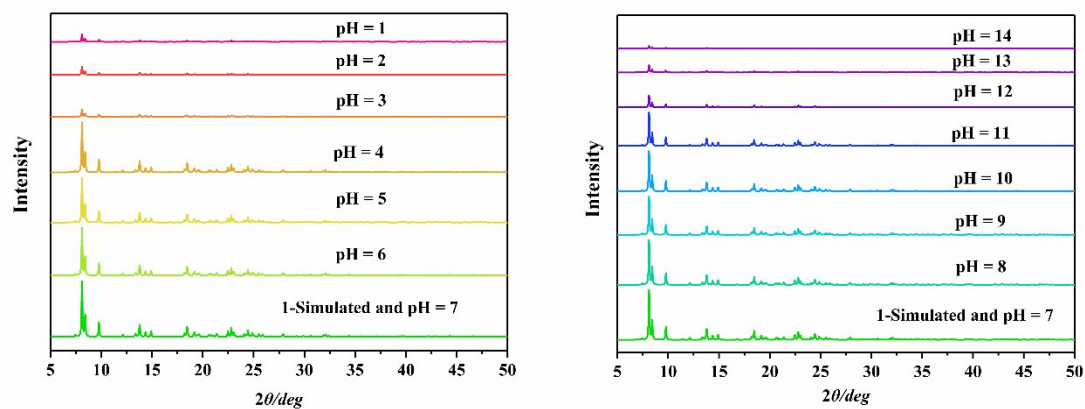
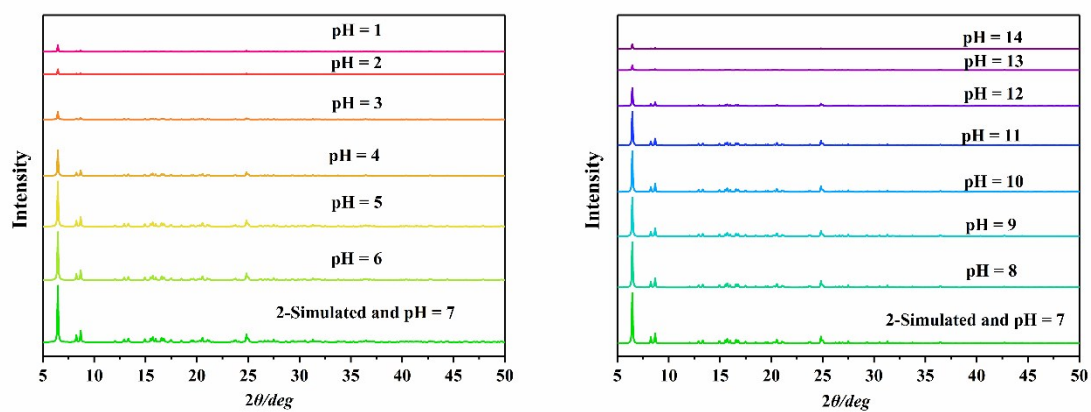


Fig. S6. PXRD patterns of **1** and **2** for various anions in cation solution.



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(b)

Fig. S7. (a) The PXRD patterns of **1** in different pH solutions; (b) The PXRD patterns of **2** in different pH solutions.

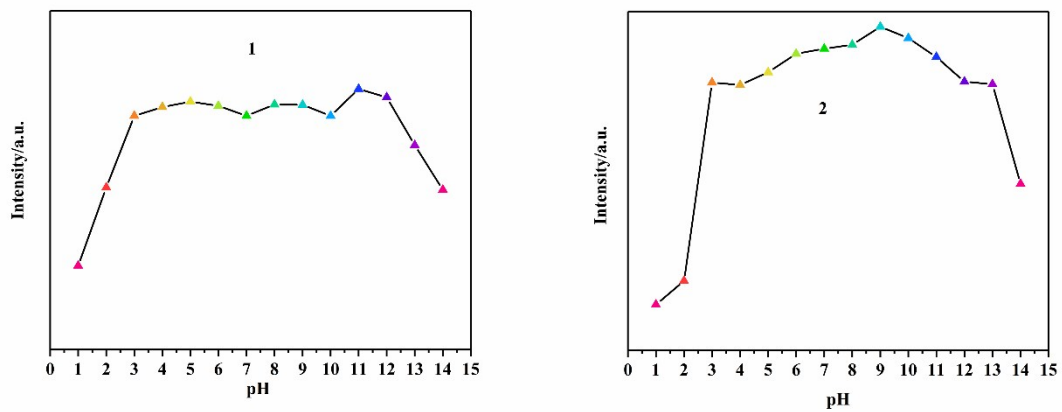


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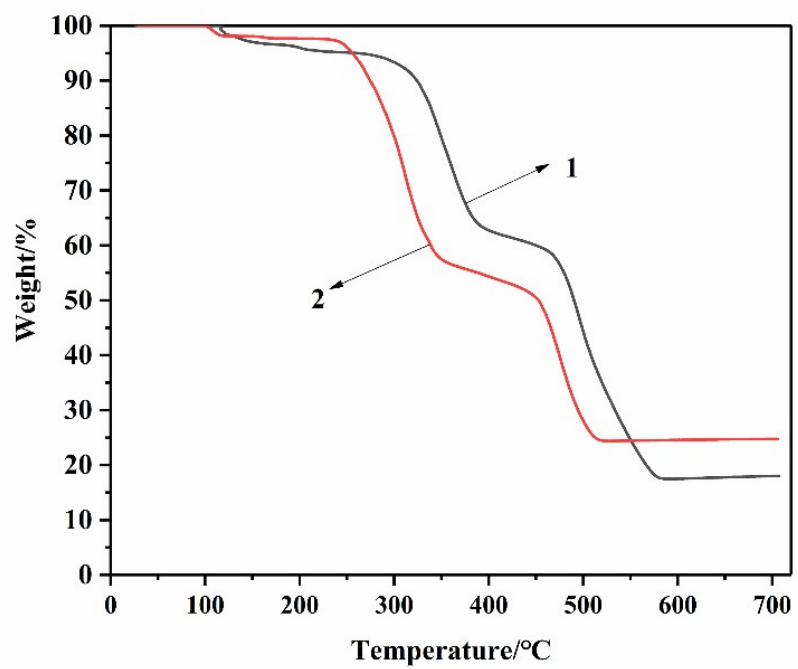
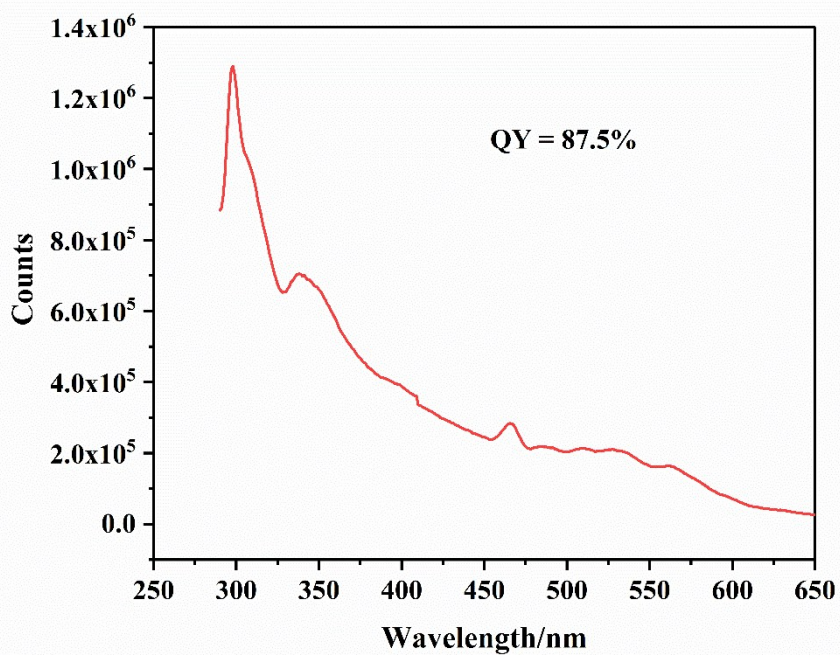
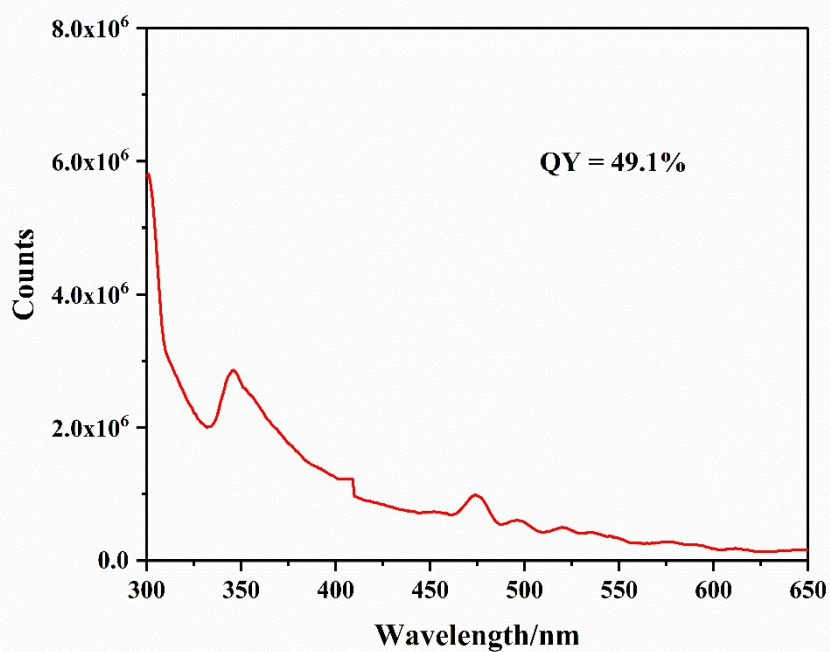


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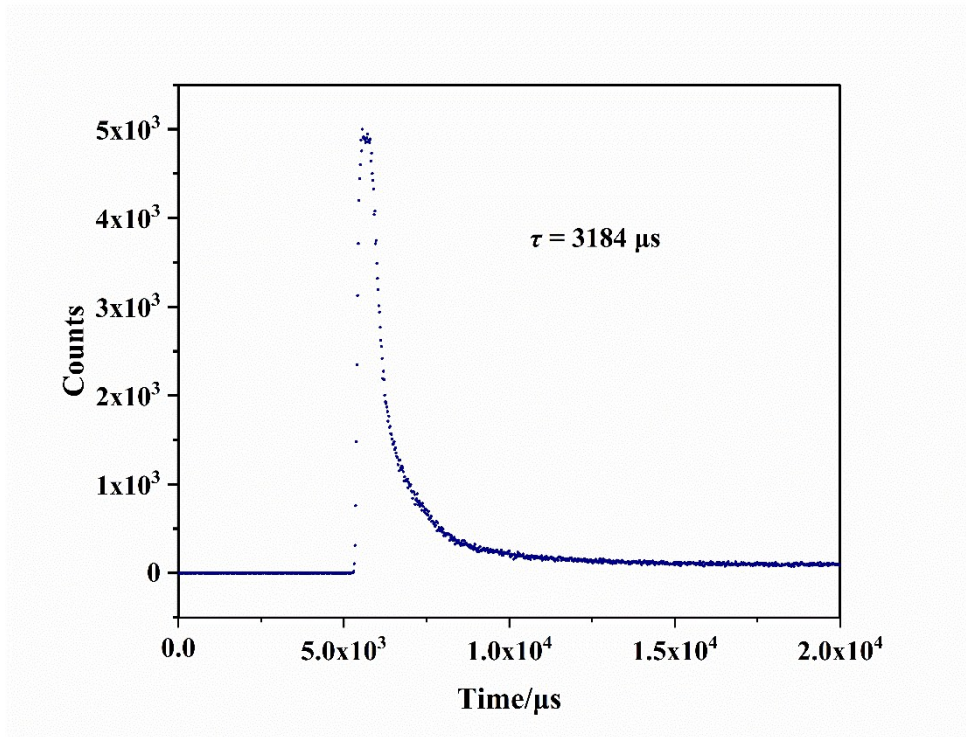


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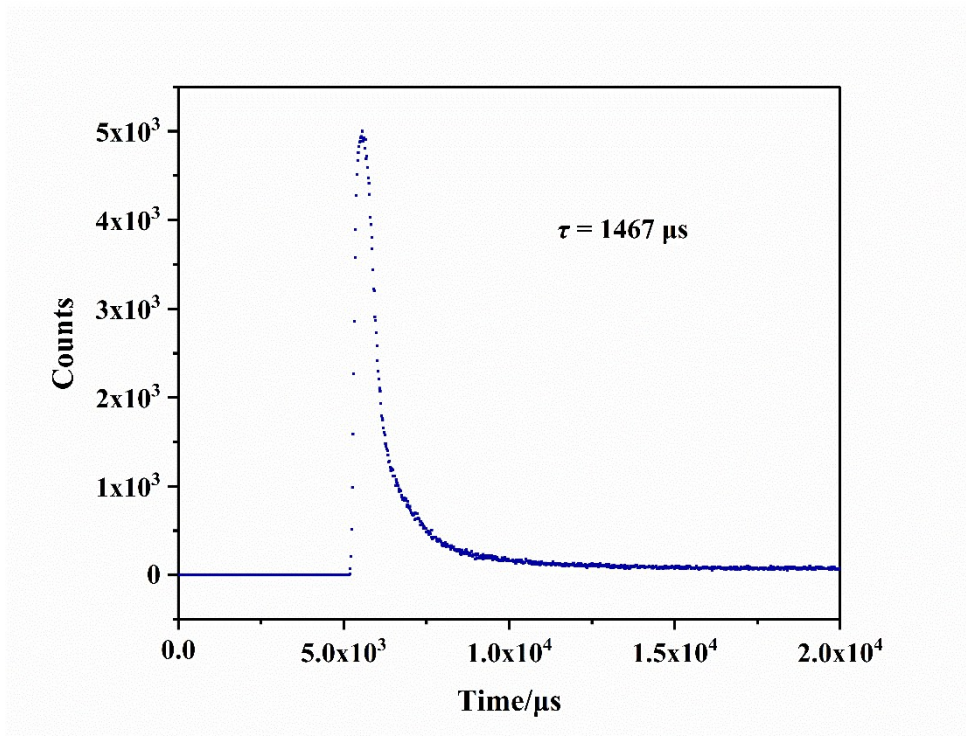


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Fig. S10. Quantum yield measurement for 1 (a) and 2 (b).



(a)



(b)

Fig. S11. Soild luminescence lifetime of 1 (a) and 2 (b).

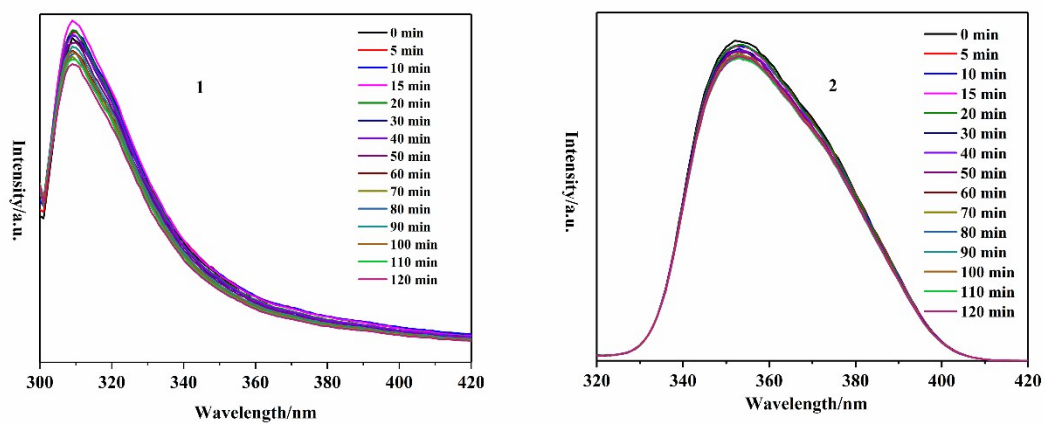
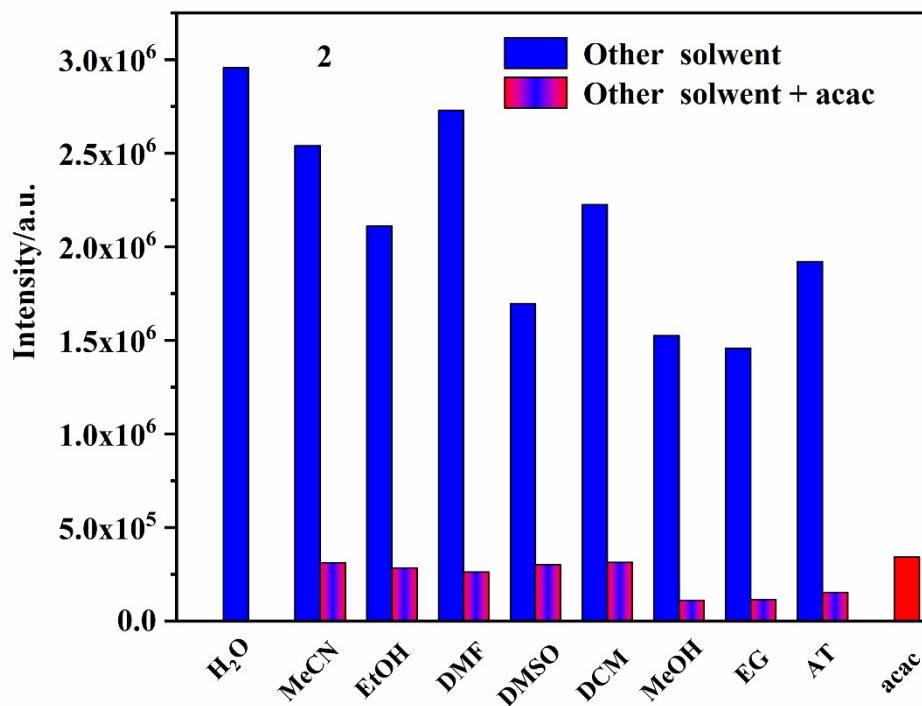
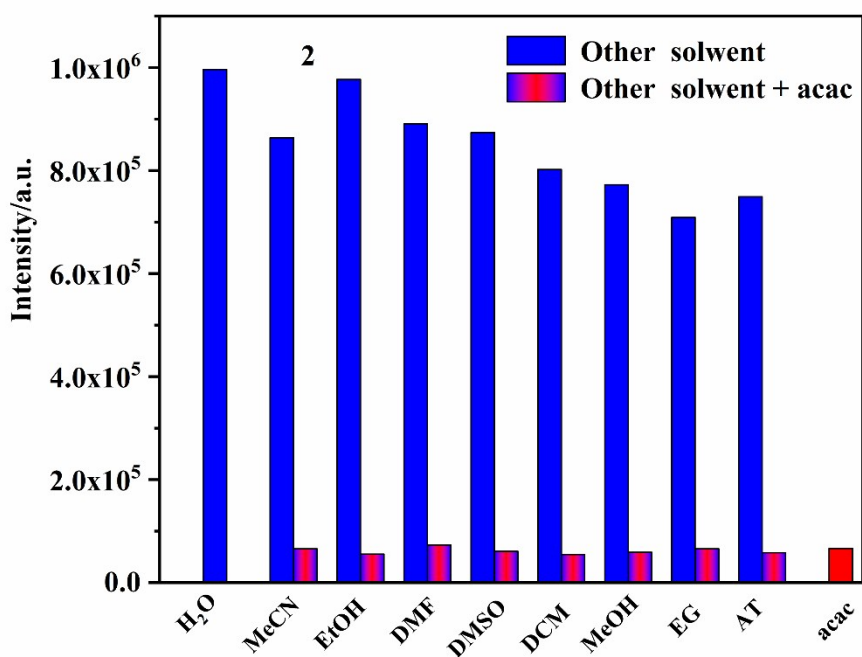


Fig. S12. Time-dependent emission spectra of **1** and **2** suspended in aqueous solutions.

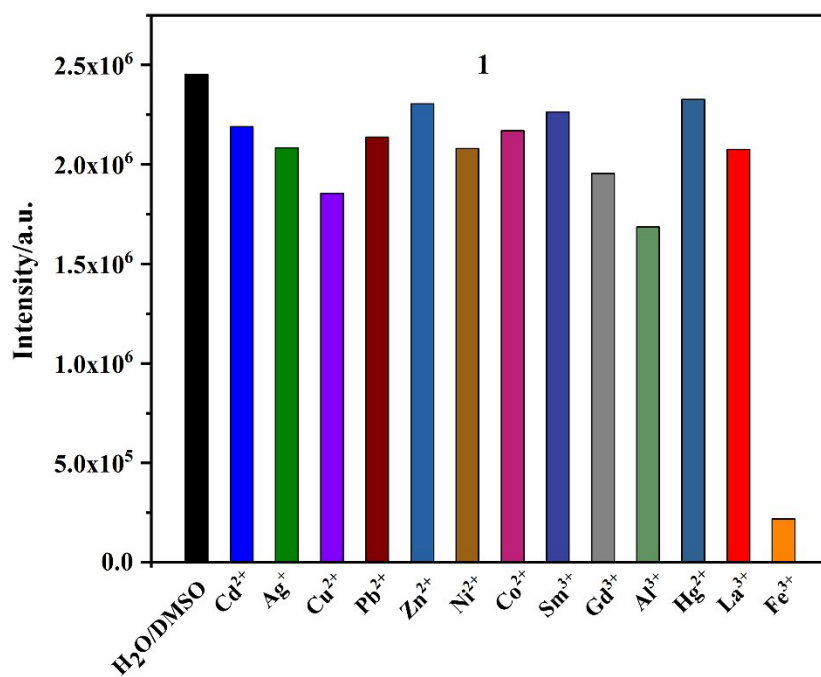


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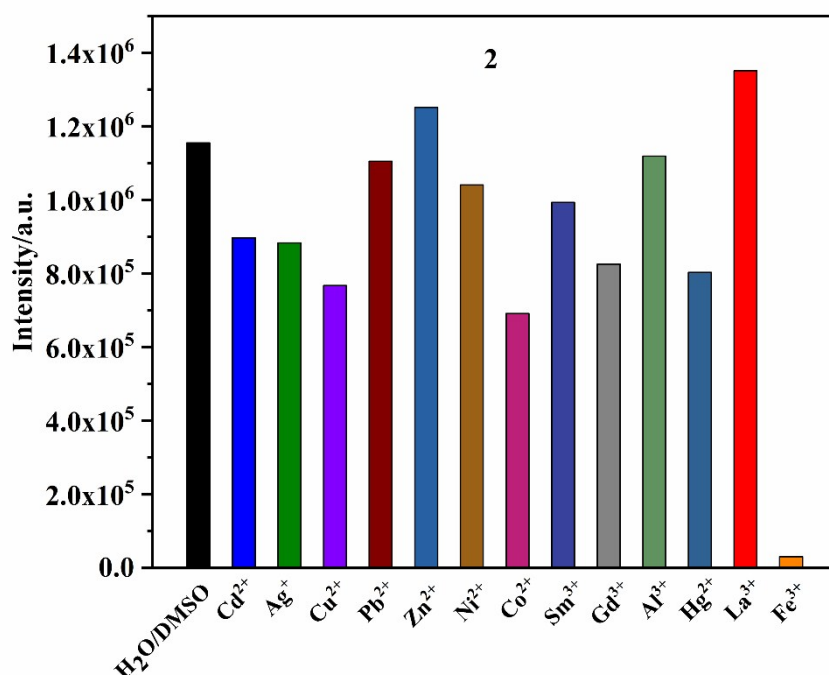


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Fig. S13. Comparison of the luminescence intensity of **1** (a) and **2** (b) in the presence of mixed organic solvents.



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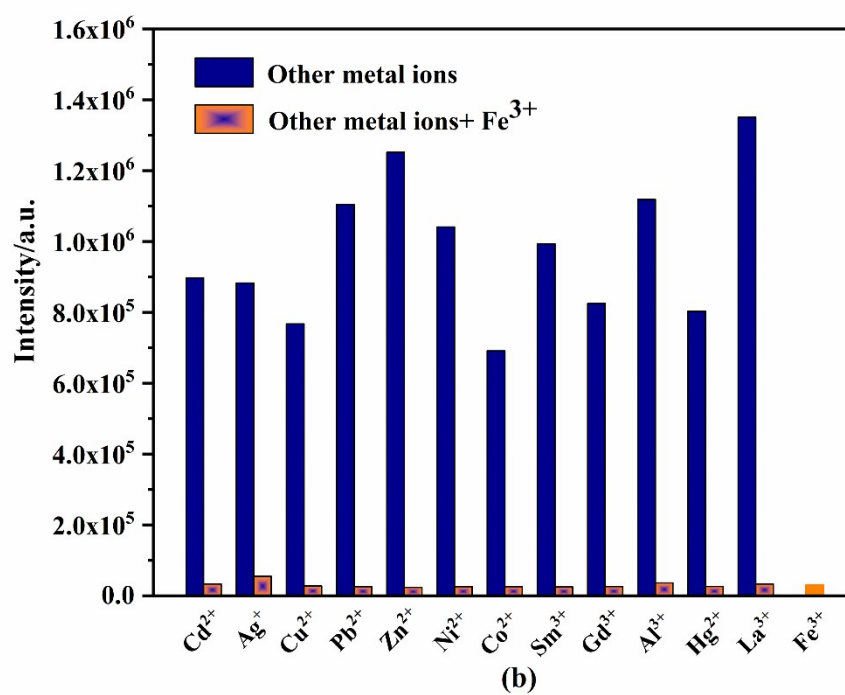
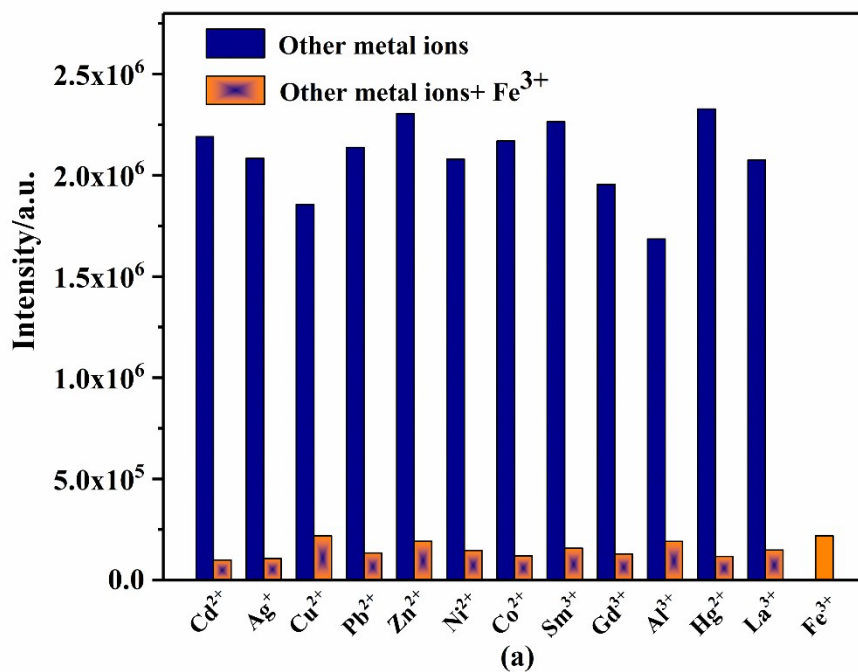
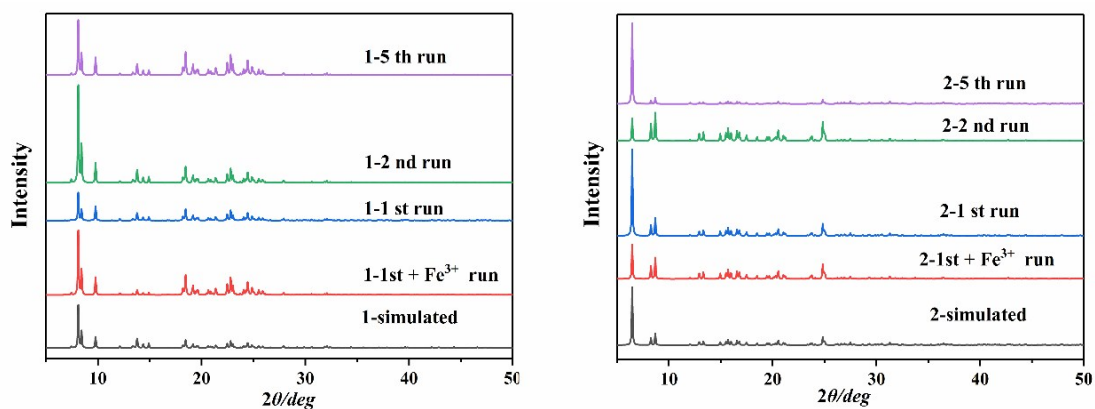
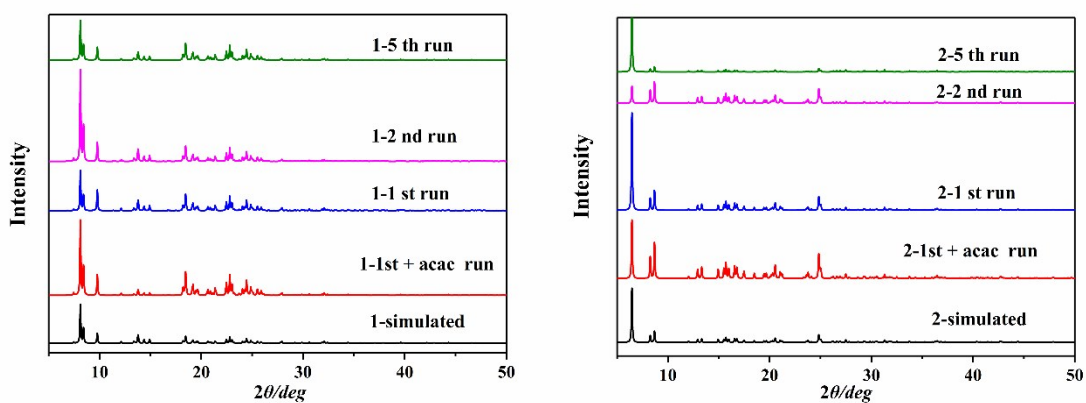


Fig. S15. Fluorescence emission spectra of Fe³⁺ ions and other metal ions in **1** (a) and **2** (b) at room temperature.



(a)



(b)

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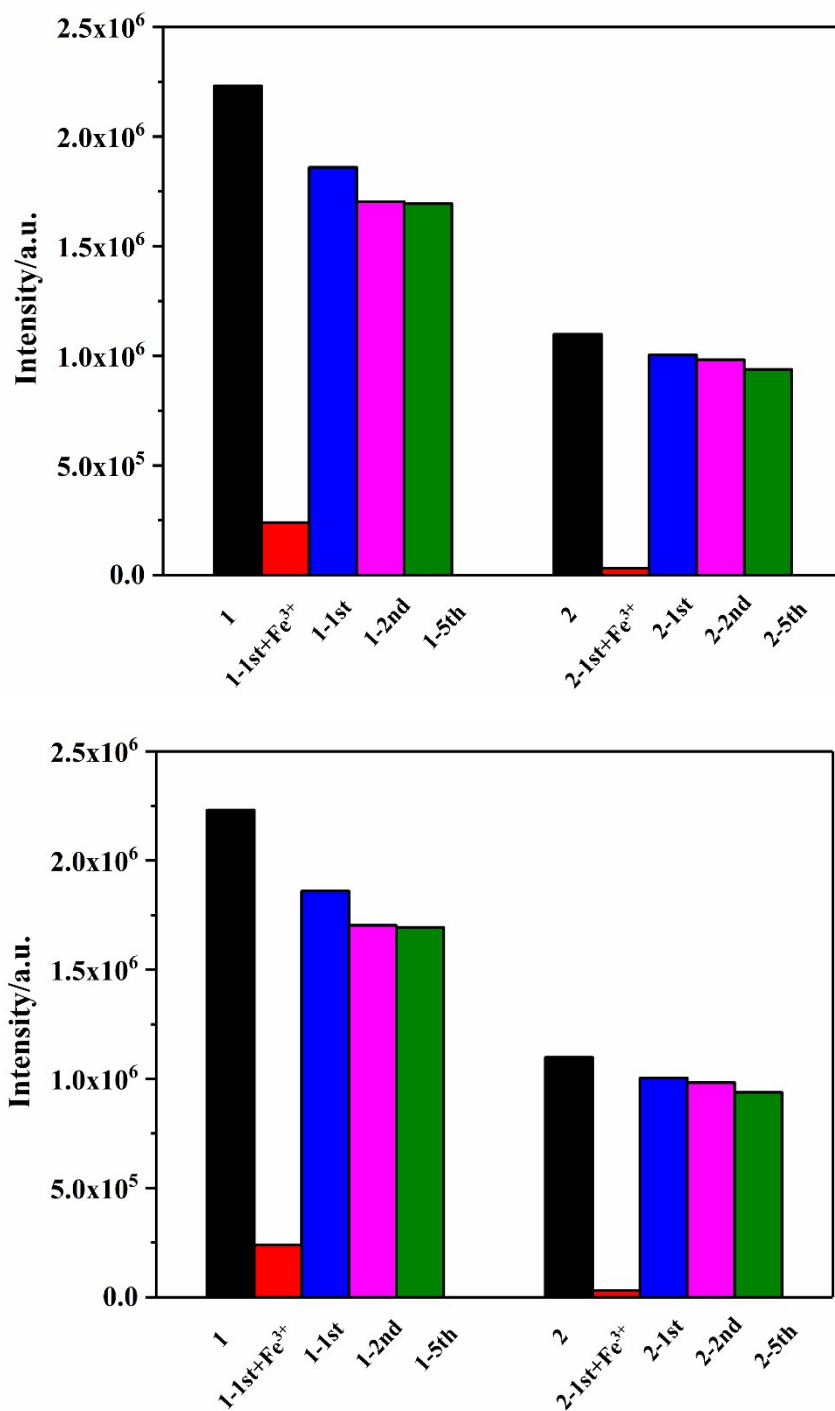
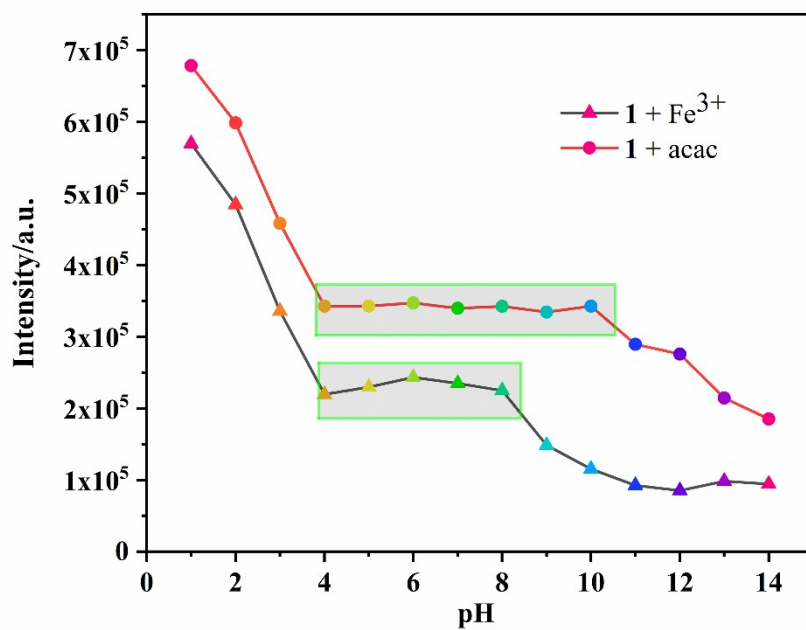
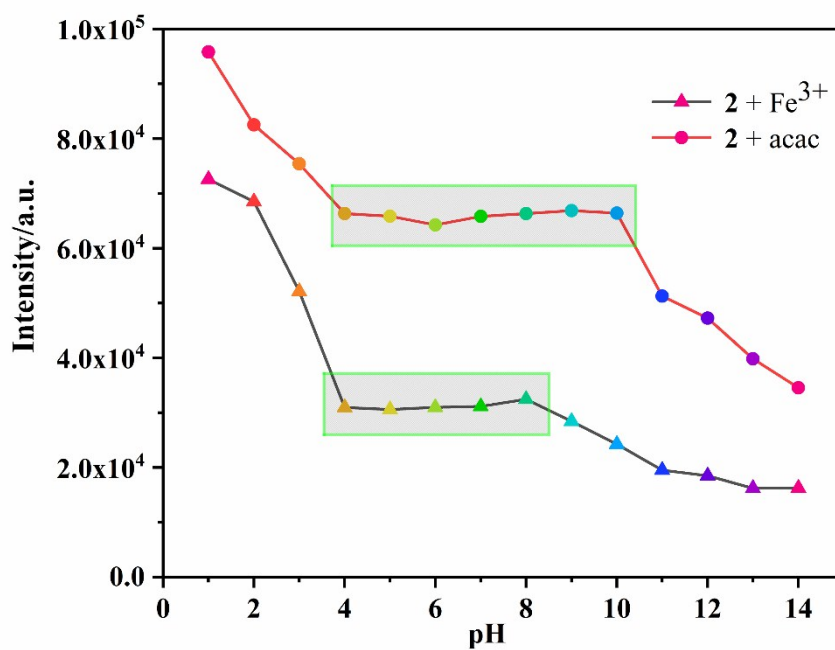


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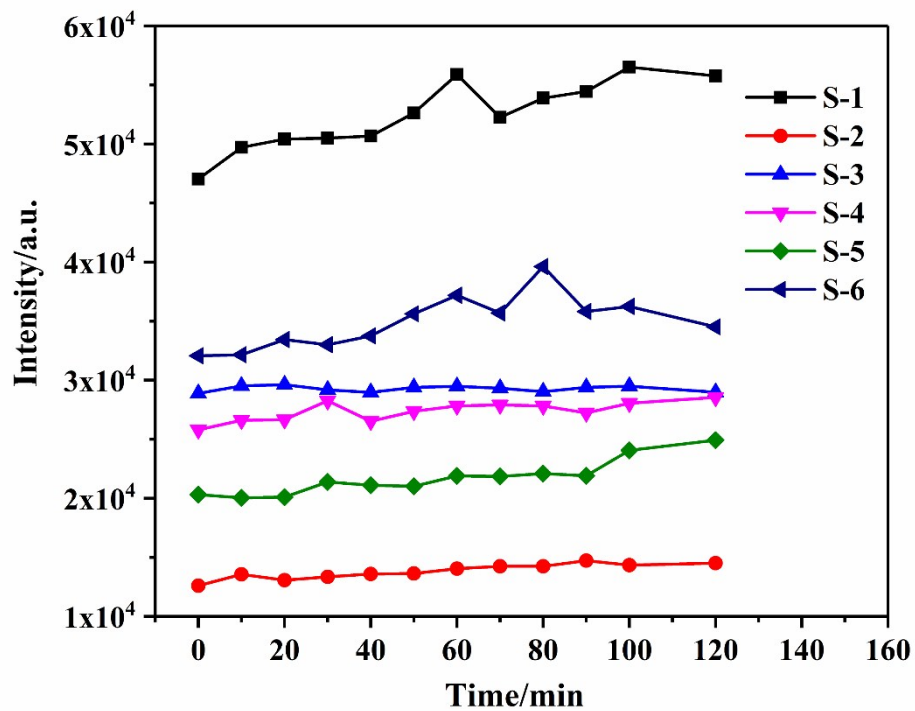


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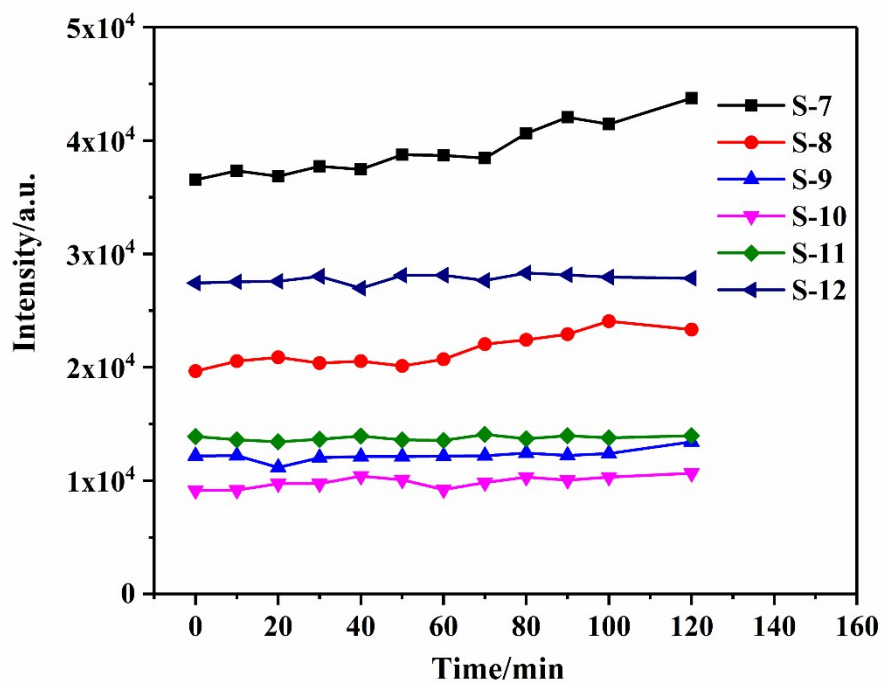


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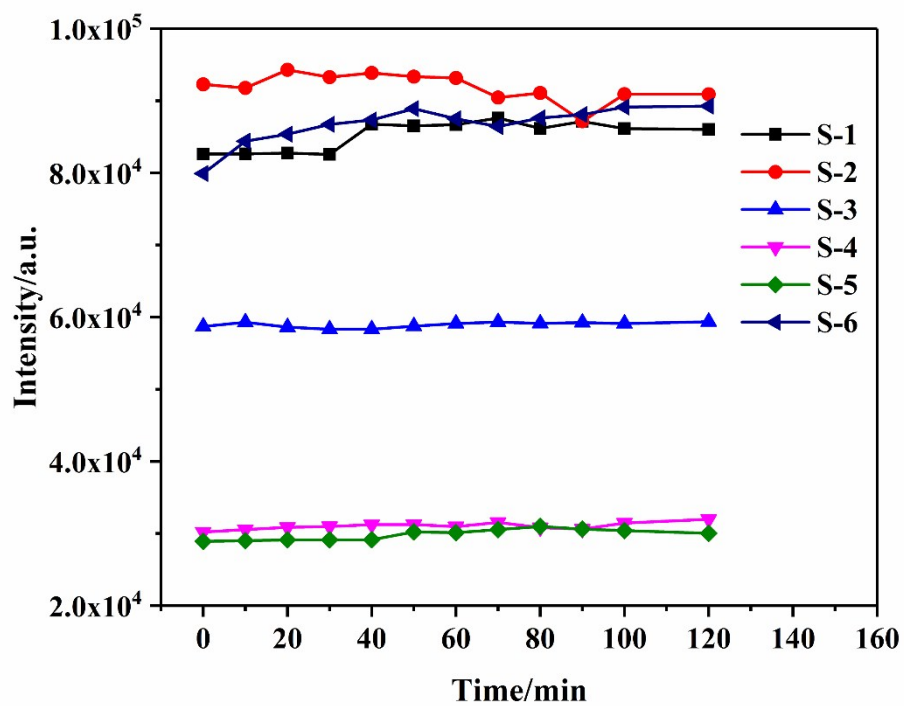


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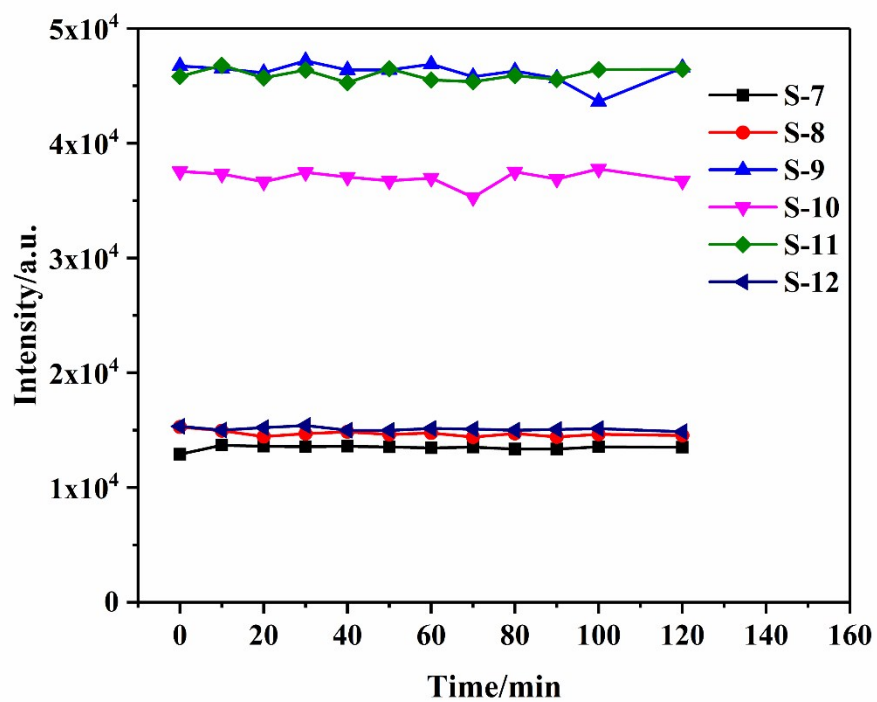


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Fig. S19. The relationship between the fluorescence intensity of Fe³⁺ (a) or acac (b) detected over time in different simulated environments in **1**.



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Fig. S20. The relationship between the fluorescence intensity of Fe^{3+} (a) or acac (b)

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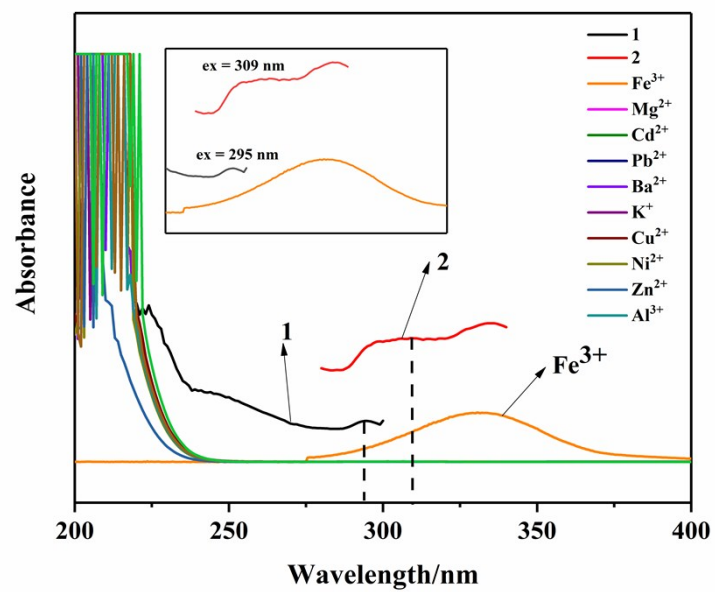


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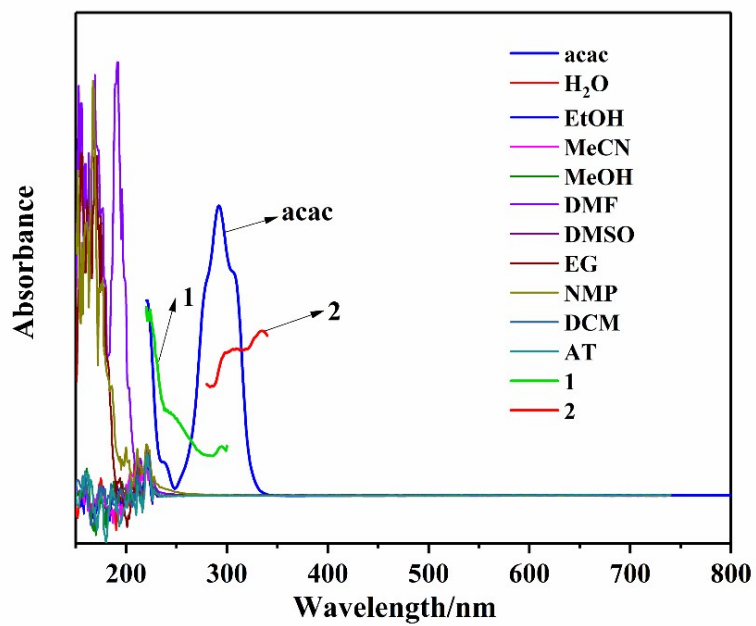


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