

Supporting Information for

(1,3)Pyrenophanes containing crown ether moieties as fluorescence sensors for metal and ammonium ions

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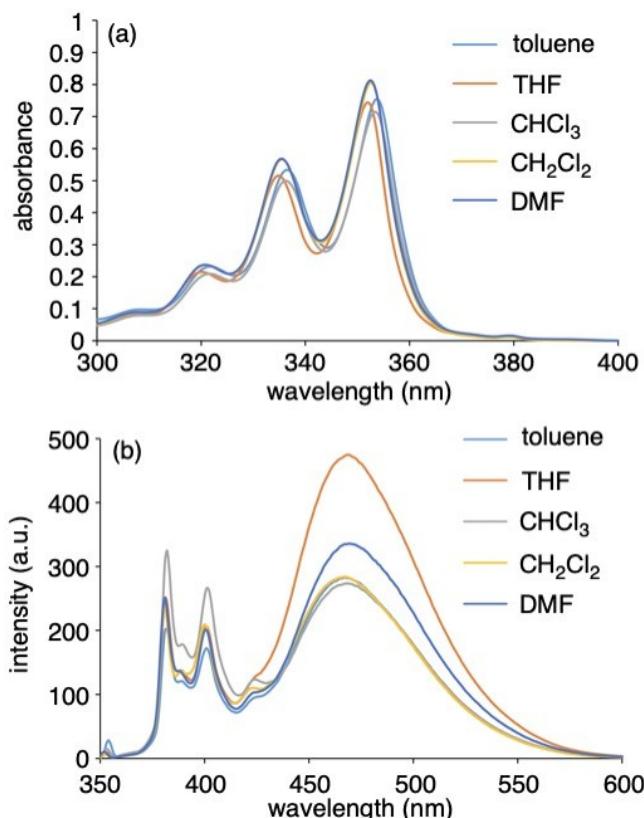


Fig. S1 (a) UV-vis absorption and (b) fluorescence spectra of **1**, 1.0×10^{-5} M, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ (in THF and DMF), 353 (in CHCl₃ and CH₂Cl₂), and 354 (in toluene) nm.

Table S1 Effect of solvents on ratio of intramolecular excimer/monomer emissions of **1**.

solvent	$E_T(30)^a$	I_{460}/I_{380}^b
toluene	33.9	1.66
THF	37.4	1.23
CHCl ₃	39.1	1.09
CH ₂ Cl ₂	40.7	2.09
DMF	43.2	1.36

^a Data from C. Reichardt, Solvatochromic Dyes as Solvent Polarity Indicators, *Chem. Rev.* 1994, **94**, 2319-2358. ^b Ratio of fluorescence intensity at 460 nm (I_{460}) to that at 380 nm (I_{380}).

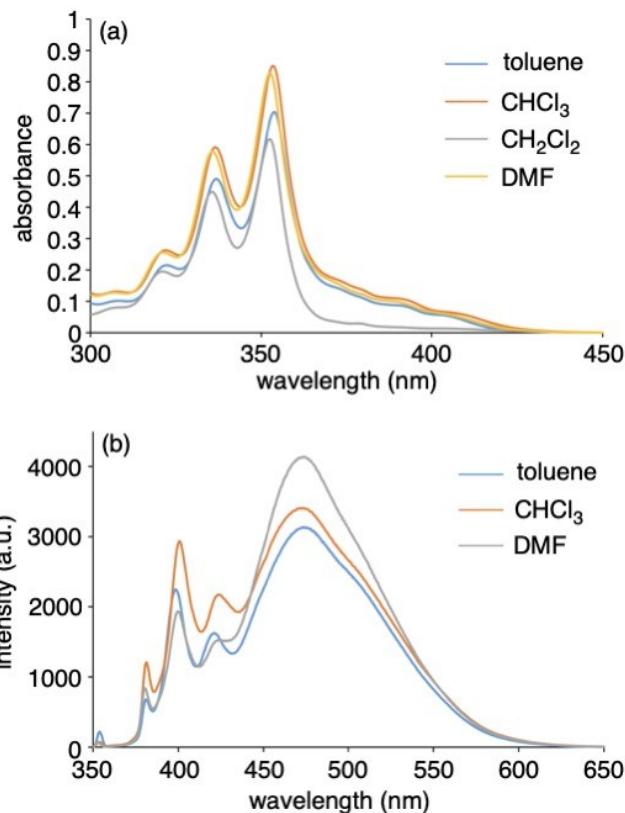


Fig. S2 (a) UV-vis absorption and (b) fluorescence spectra of **2**, 1.0×10^{-5} M, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ (in DMF) and 354 (in toluene and CHCl_3) nm.

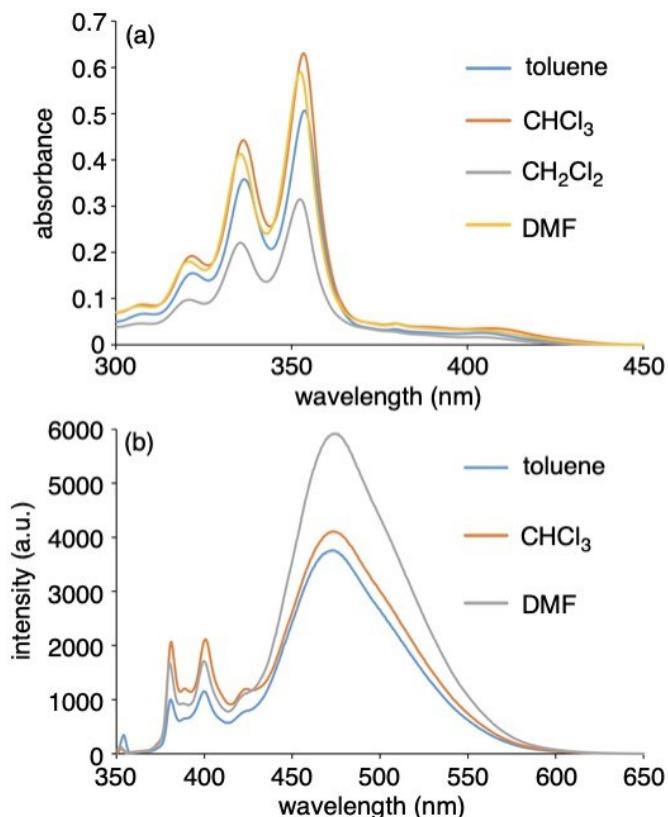


Fig. S3 (a) UV-vis absorption and (b) fluorescence spectra of **4**, 1.0×10^{-5} M, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ (in DMF), 353 (in CHCl_3), and 354 (in toluene) nm.

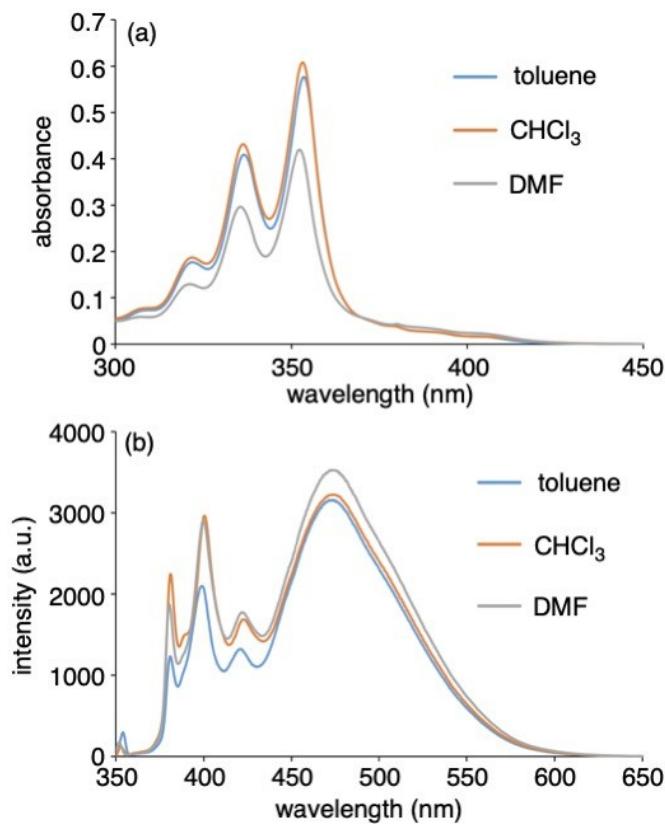


Fig. S4 (a) UV-vis absorption and (b) fluorescence spectra of **6**, 1.0×10^{-5} M, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ (in DMF), 353 (in CHCl_3), and 354 (in toluene) nm.

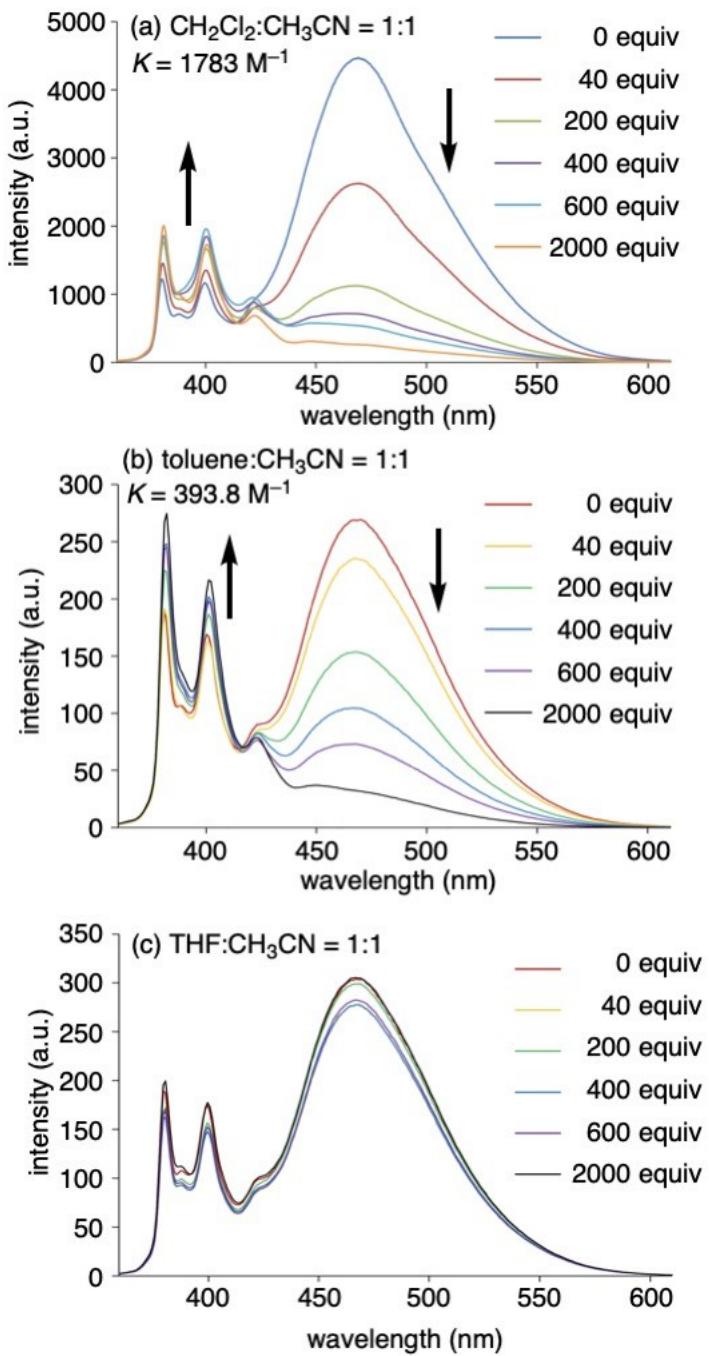


Fig. S5 Fluorescence spectra of **1**, $1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ in (a) 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, (b) 1:1 toluene: CH_3CN , and (c) 1:1 $\text{THF}:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, upon addition of $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-2000 equiv), $\lambda_{\text{ex}} =$ (a)(c) 351, (b) 352 nm.

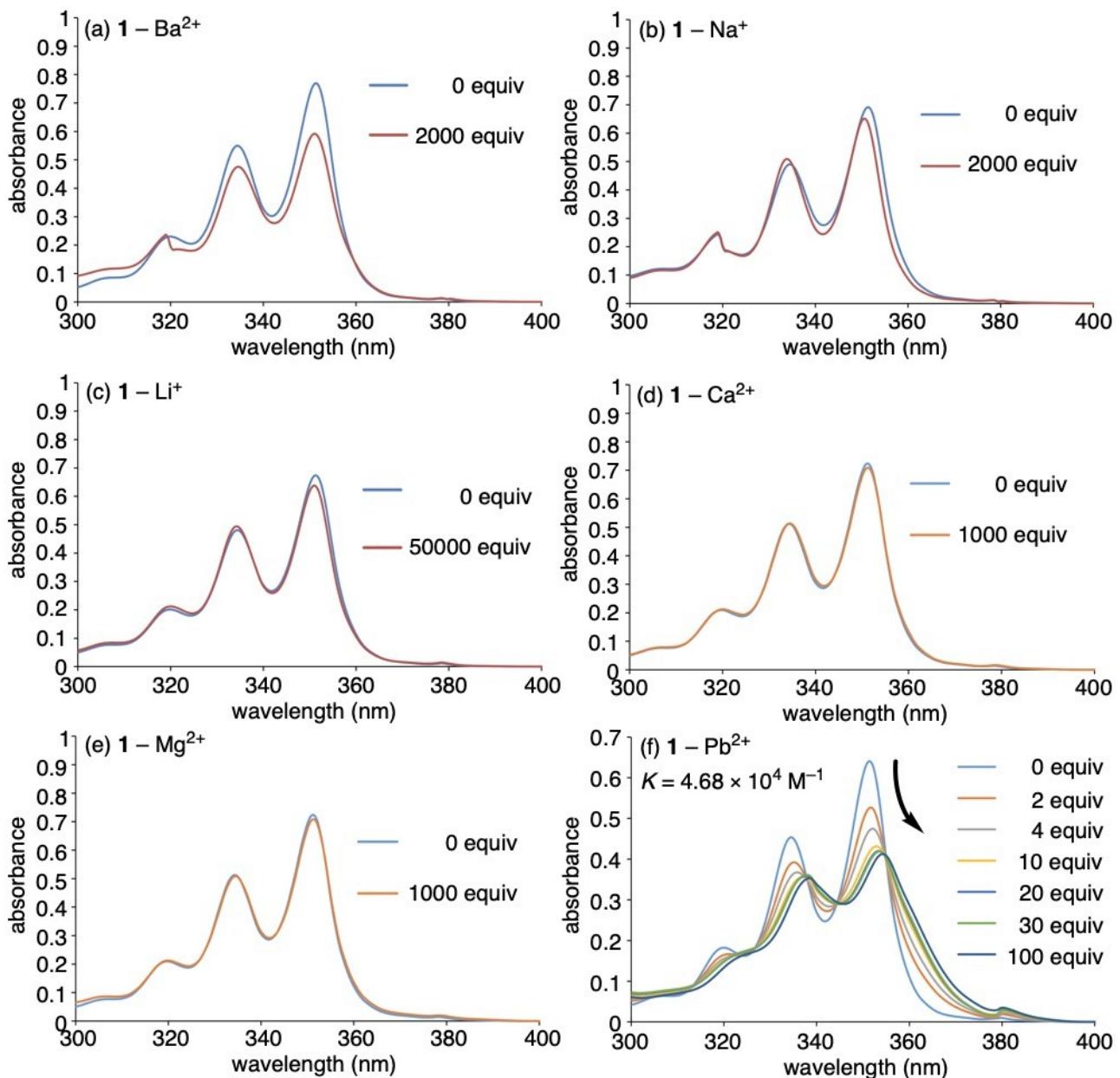


Fig. S6 UV-vis absorption spectra of **1** (1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN) upon addition of (a) Ba(ClO₄)₂ (0-2000 equiv), (b) NaClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO₄ (0-50000 equiv), (d) Ca(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (e) Mg(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (f) Pb(ClO₄)₂ (0-100 equiv).

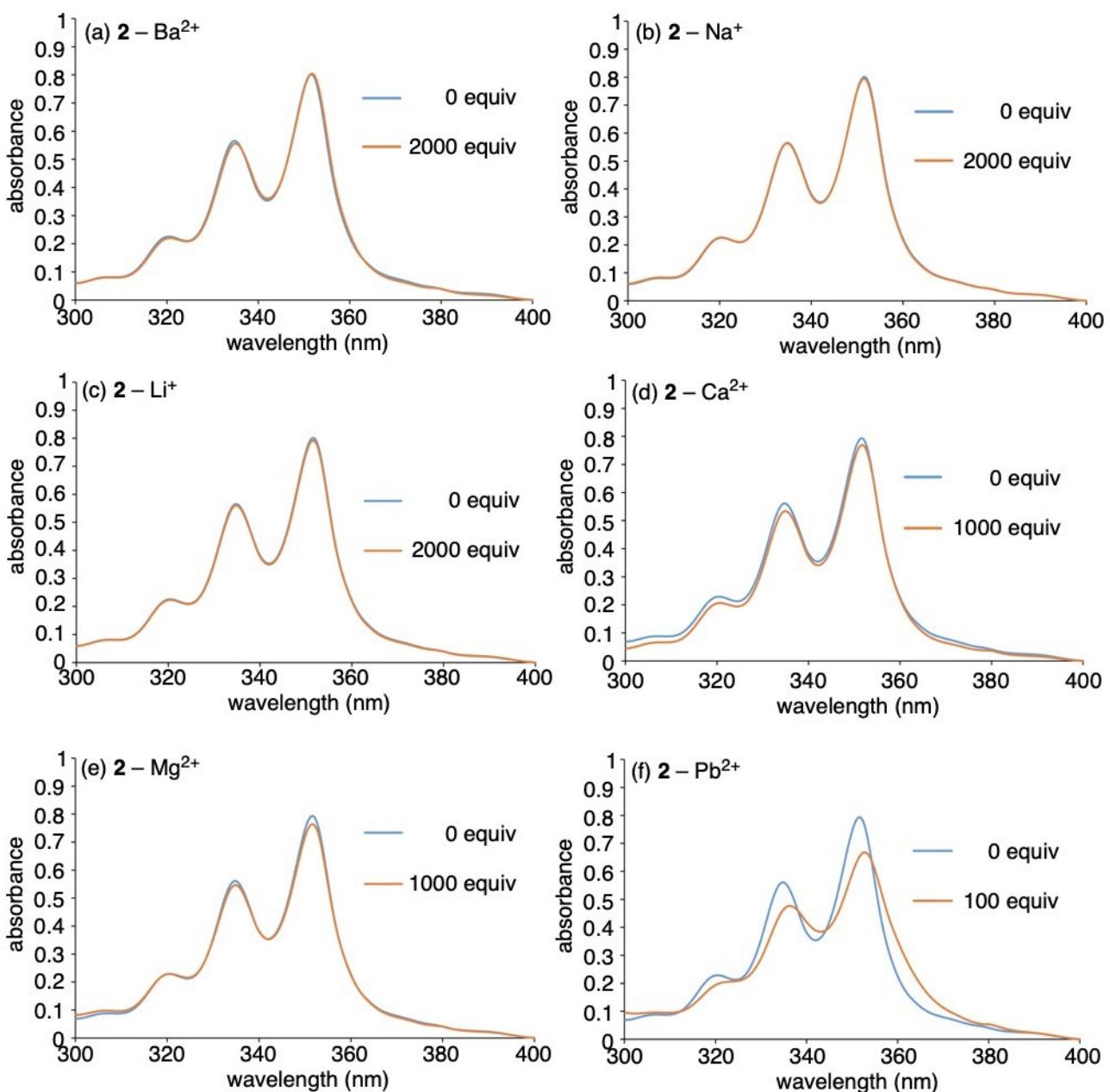


Fig. S7 UV-vis absorption spectra of **2** (1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in 1:1CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN) upon addition of (a) Ba(ClO₄)₂ (0-2000 equiv), (b) NaClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (d) Ca(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (e) Mg(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (f) Pb(ClO₄)₂ (0-100 equiv).

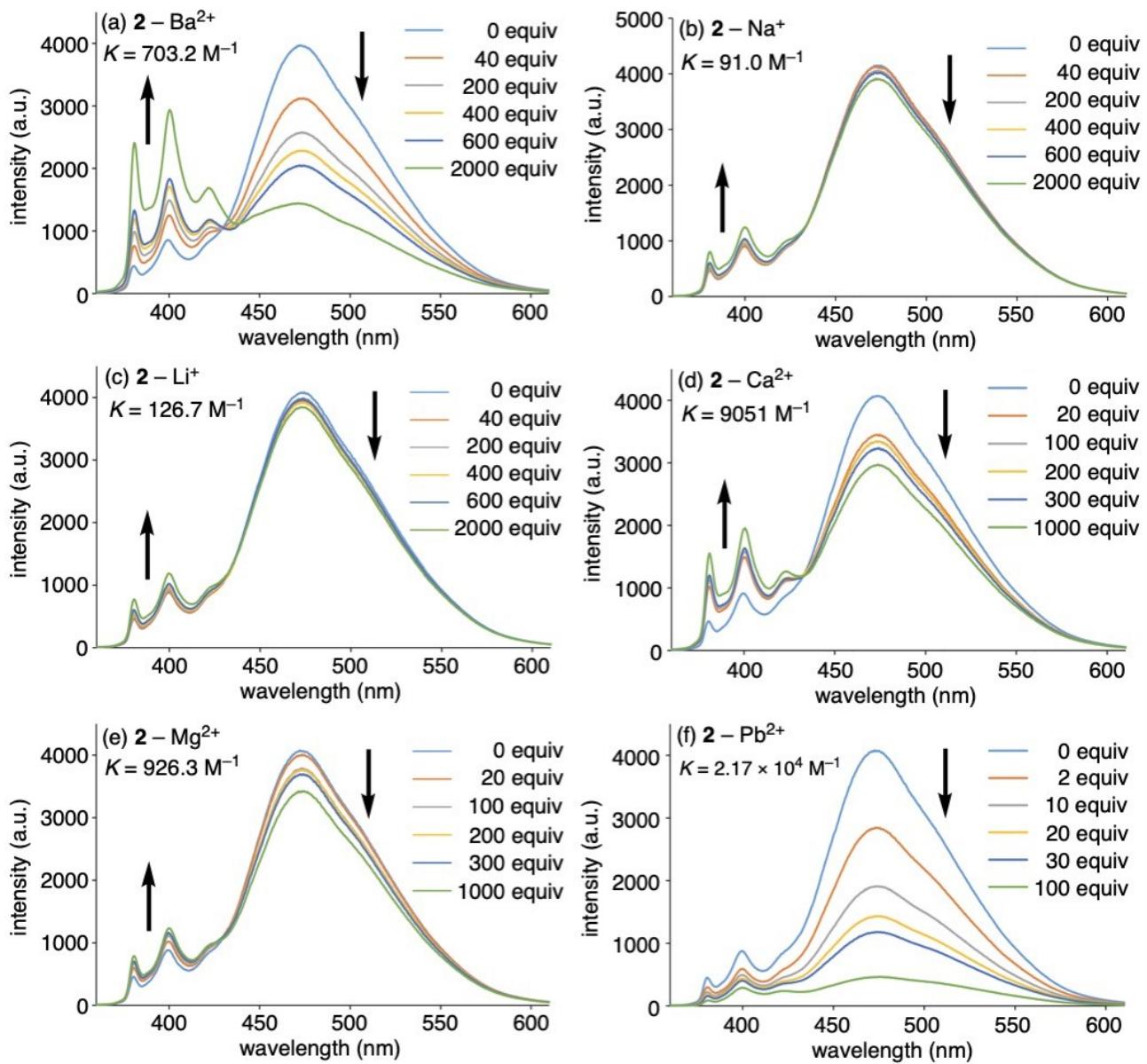


Fig. S8 Fluorescence spectra of **2** (1.0×10^{-5} M in $1:1 \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} =$ (a)(b)(c)(e)(f) 352 nm, (d) 351 nm) upon addition of (a) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-2000 equiv), (b) NaClO_4 (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO_4 (0-2000 equiv), (d) $\text{Ca}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv), (e) $\text{Mg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv), (f) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-100 equiv).

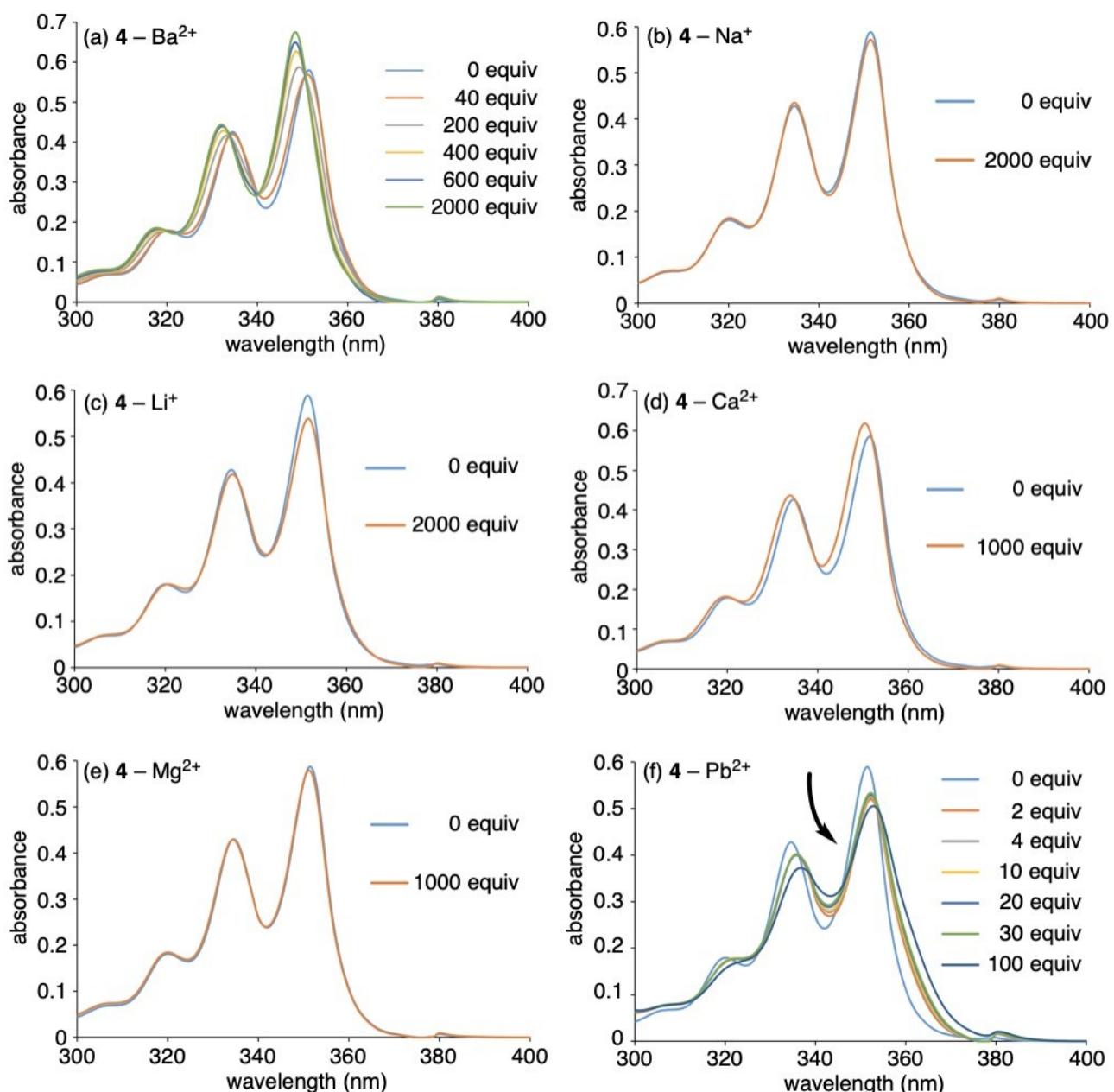


Fig. S9 UV-vis absorption spectra of **4** (1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN) upon addition of (a) Ba(ClO₄)₂ (0-2000 equiv), (b) NaClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (d) Ca(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (e) Mg(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (f) Pb(ClO₄)₂ (0-100 equiv).

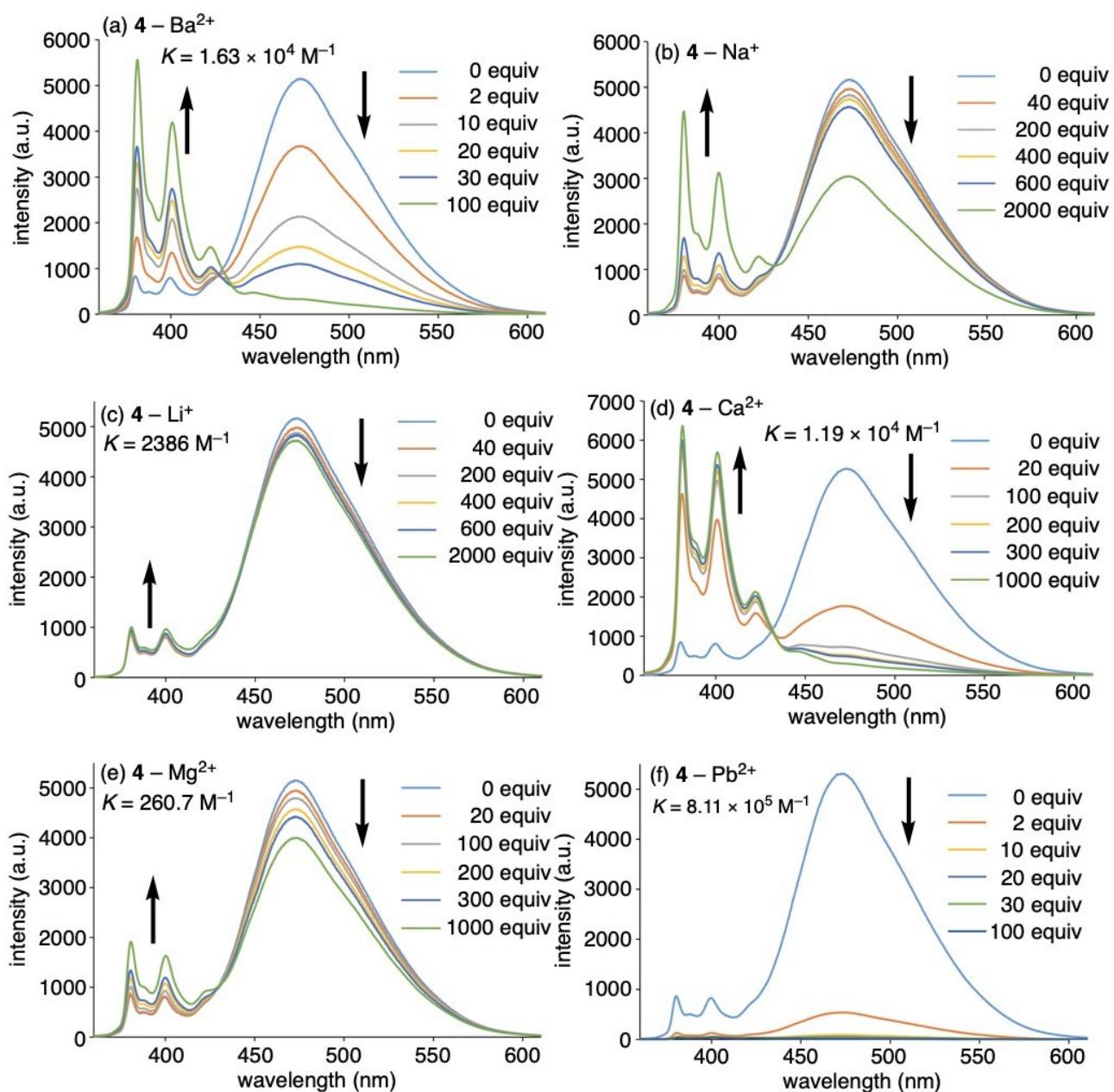


Fig. S10 Fluorescence spectra of **4** ($1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 351 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of (a) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-100 equiv), (b) NaClO_4 (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO_4 (0-2000 equiv), (d) $\text{Ca}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv), (e) $\text{Mg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv), (f) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-100 equiv).

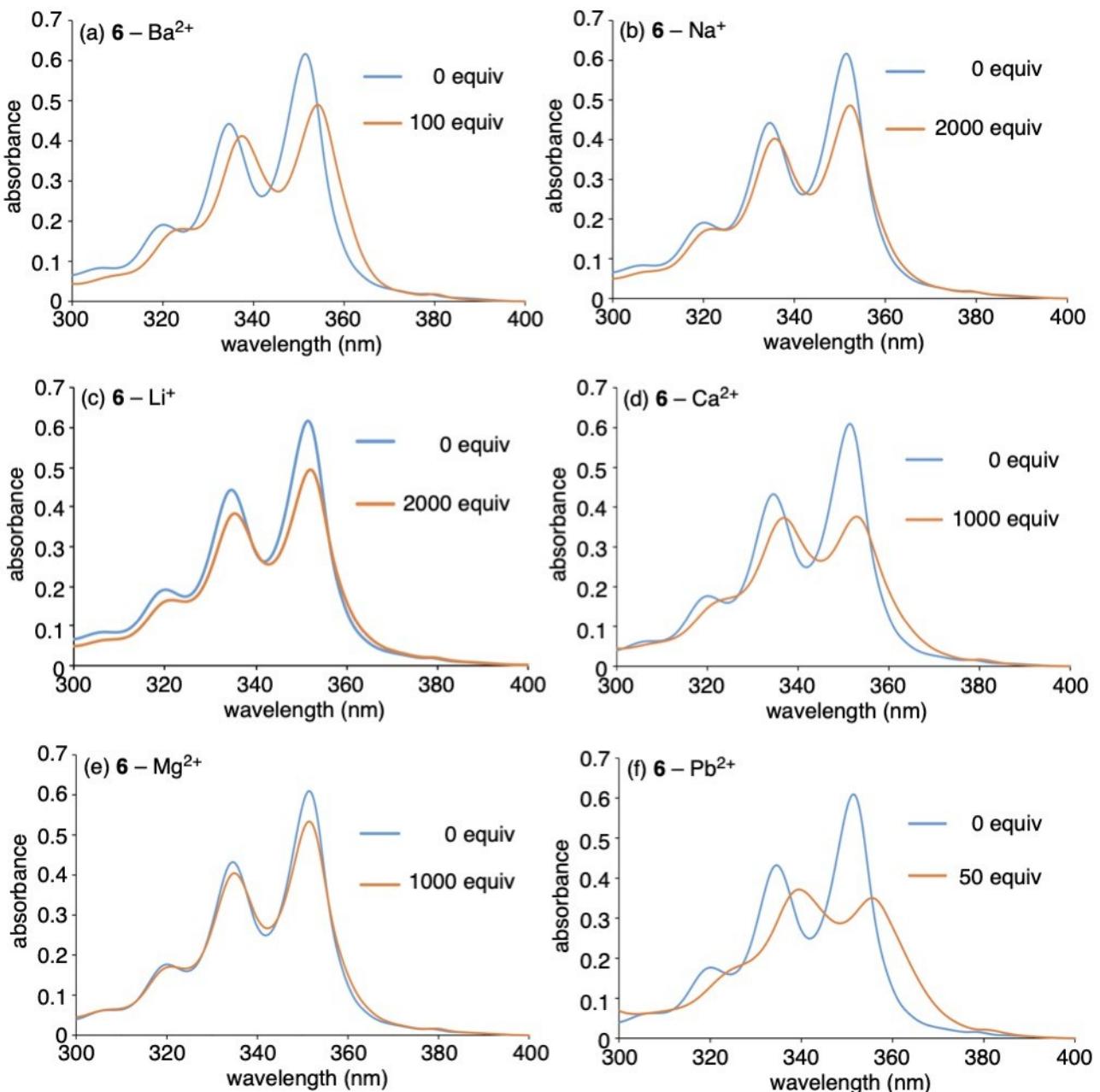


Fig. S11 (a) UV-vis absorption spectra of **6** (1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN) upon addition of (a) Ba(ClO₄)₂ (0-100 equiv), (b) NaClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO₄ (0-2000 equiv), (d) Ca(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (e) Mg(ClO₄)₂ (0-1000 equiv), (f) Pb(ClO₄)₂ (0-100 equiv).

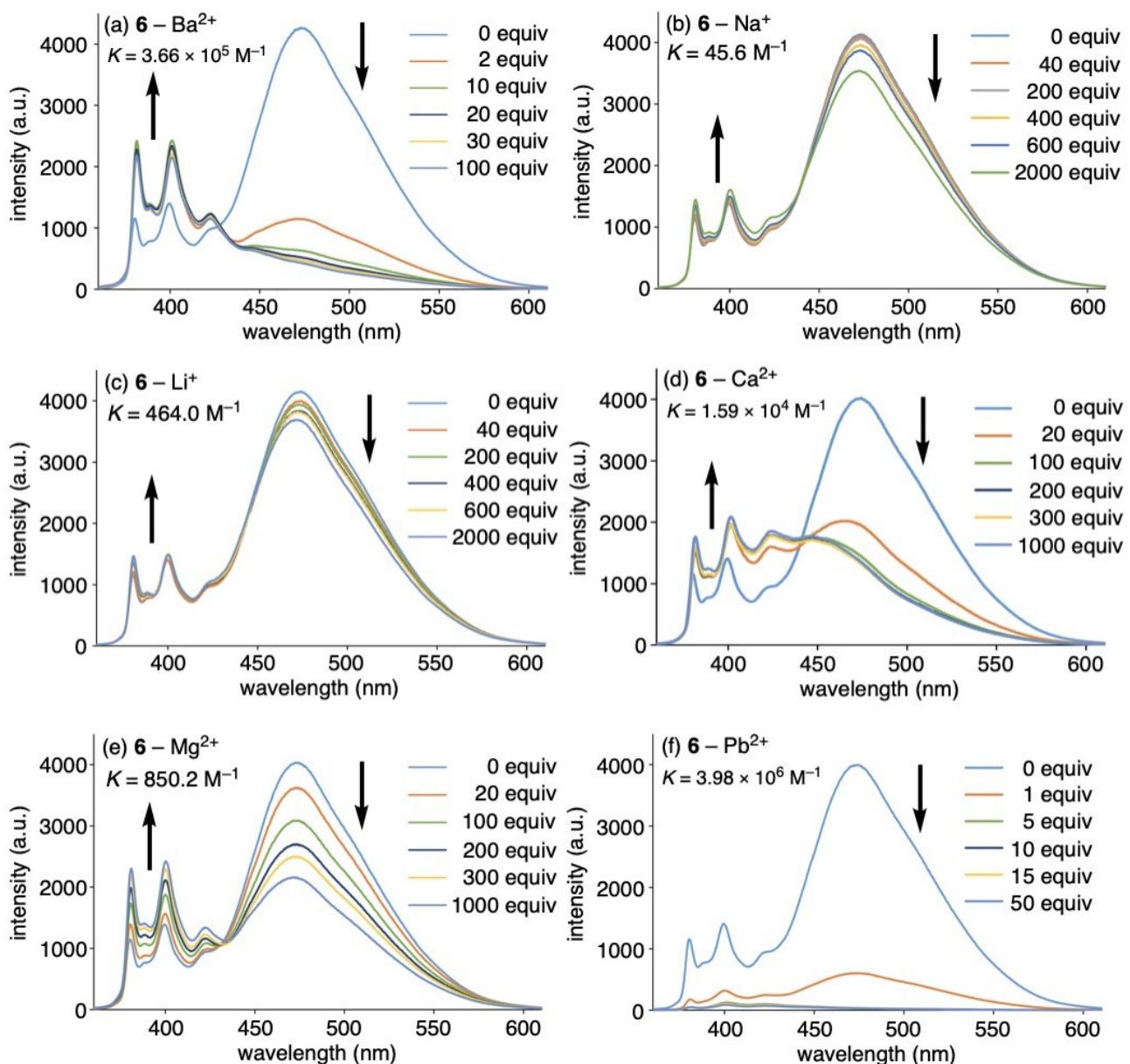


Fig. S12 Fluorescence spectra of **6** ($1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 351 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of (a) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-100 equiv), (b) NaClO_4 (0-2000 equiv), (c) LiClO_4 (0-2000 equiv), (d) $\text{Ca}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv), (e) $\text{Mg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv), (f) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-50 equiv).

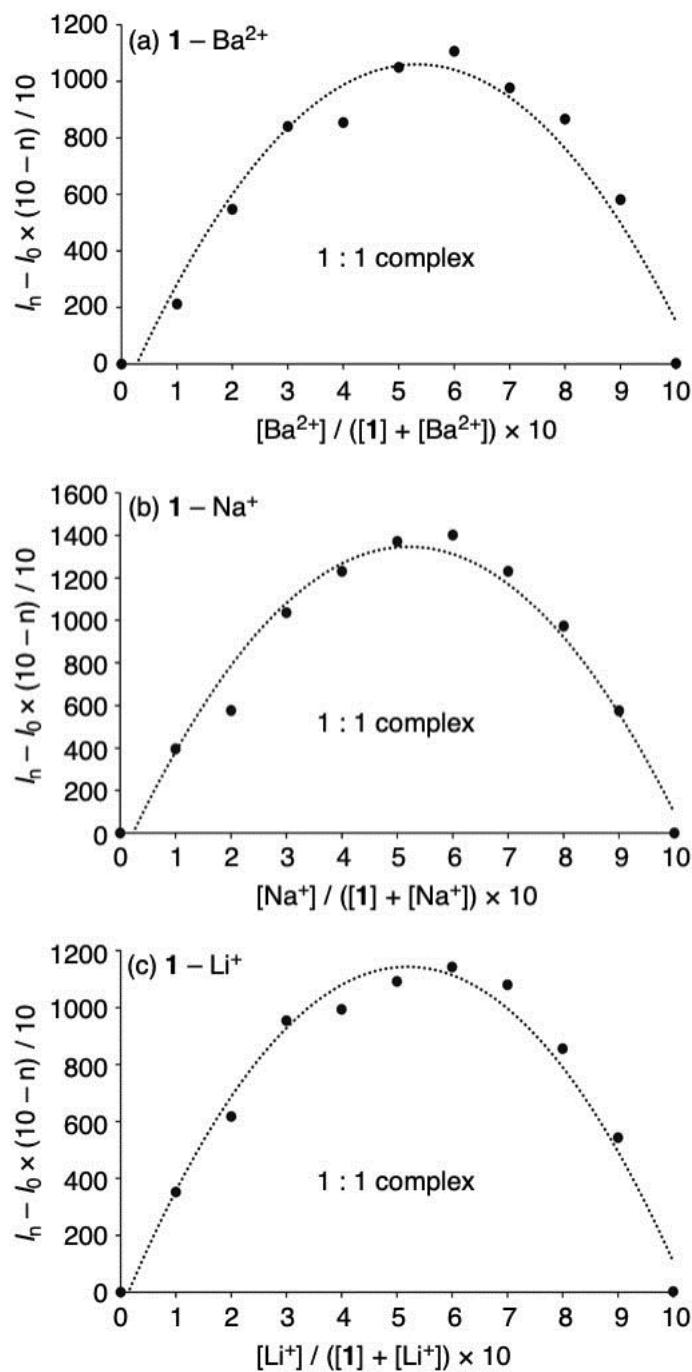


Fig. S13 Job's plots for complex formation between **1** and (a) Ba^{2+} , (b) Na^+ , (c) Li^+ , obtained using measurements of fluorescence intensities at 468 nm in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $[\mathbf{1}] + [\text{M}^{n+}(\text{ClO}_4^-)_n] = 1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$.

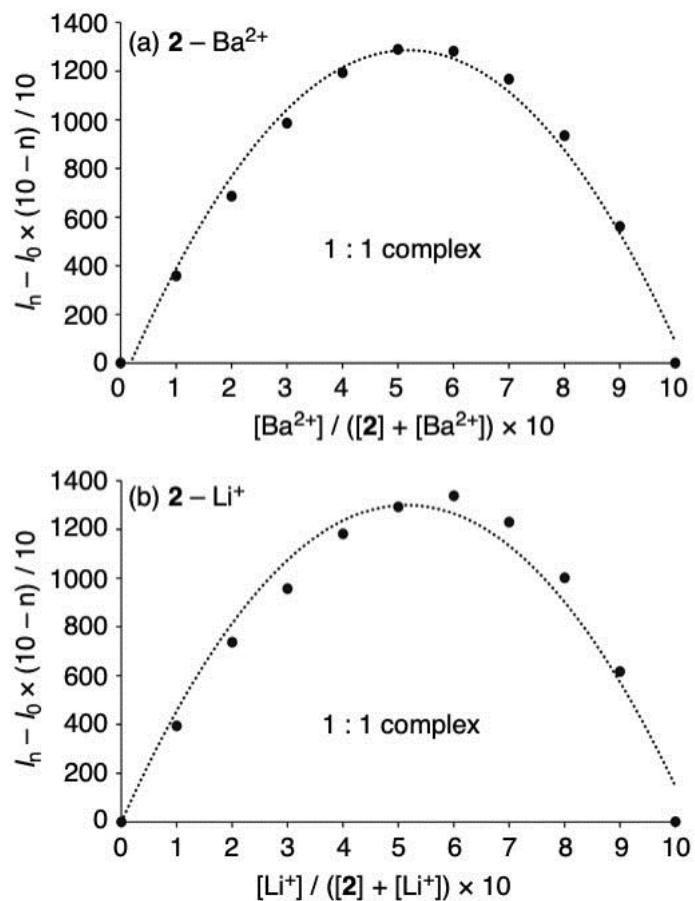


Fig. S14 Job's plots for complex formation between **2** and (a) Ba^{2+} , (b) Li^+ , obtained using measurements of fluorescence intensities at 473 nm in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $[\mathbf{2}] + [\text{M}^{n+}(\text{ClO}_4^-)_n] = 1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$.

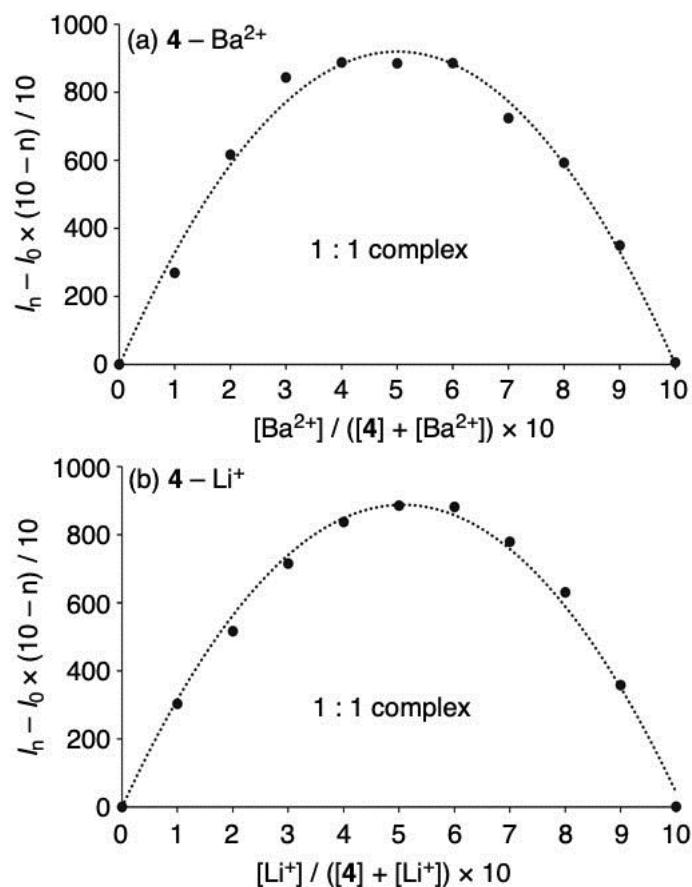


Fig. S15 Job's plots for complex formation between **4** and (a) Ba²⁺, (b) Li⁺, obtained using measurements of fluorescence intensities at 472 nm in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN, $[4] + [M^{n+}(ClO_4^-)_n] = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M.

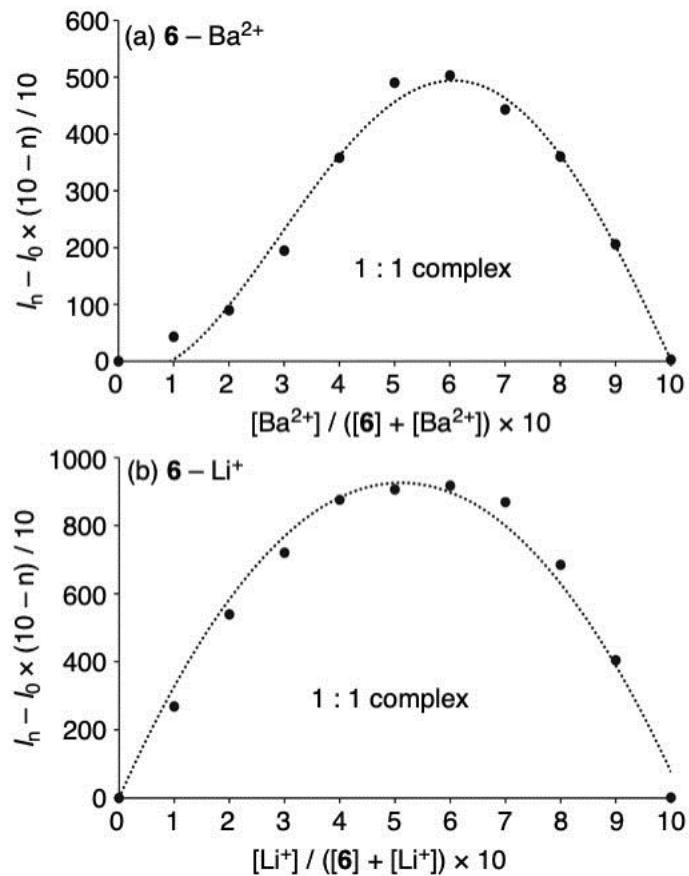


Fig. S16 Job's plots for complex formation between **6** and (a) Ba^{2+} , (b) Li^+ , obtained using measurements of fluorescence intensities at (a) 380, (b) 472 nm in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $[\mathbf{6}] + [\text{M}^{n+}(\text{ClO}_4^-)_n] = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M.

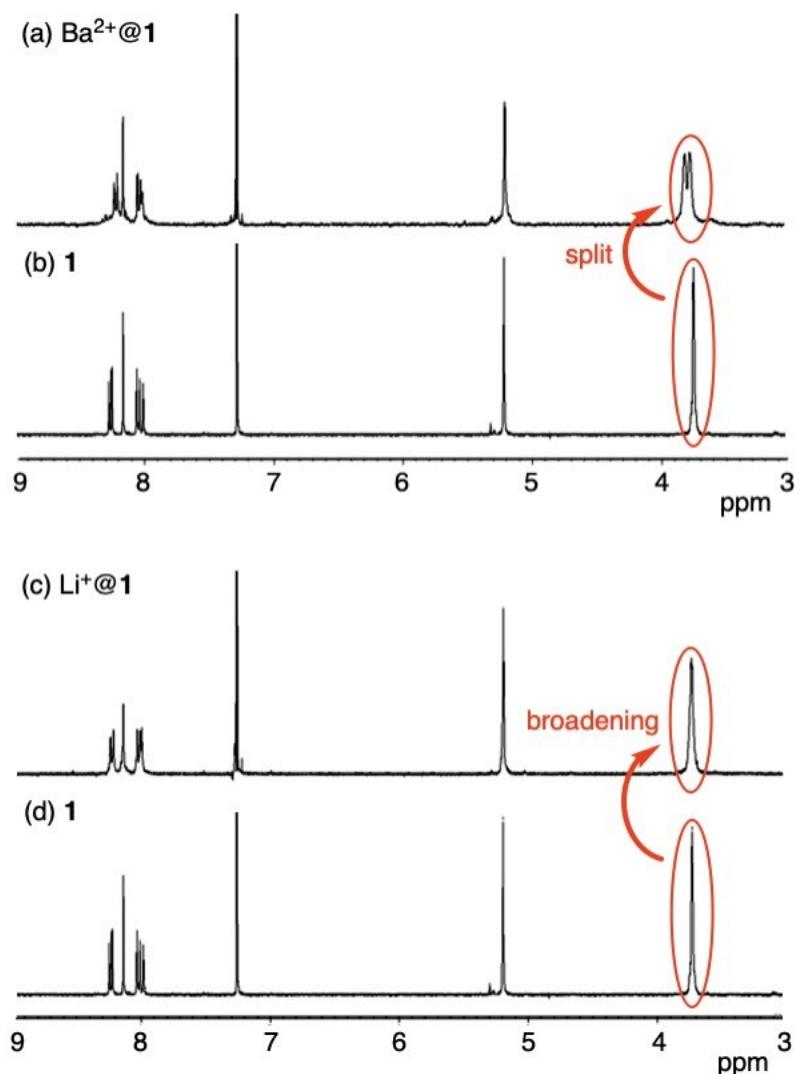


Fig. S17 ^1H NMR spectra (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of (a) a mixture of **1** with $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$, (b) **1**, (c) a mixture of **1** with LiClO_4 , and (d) **1**.

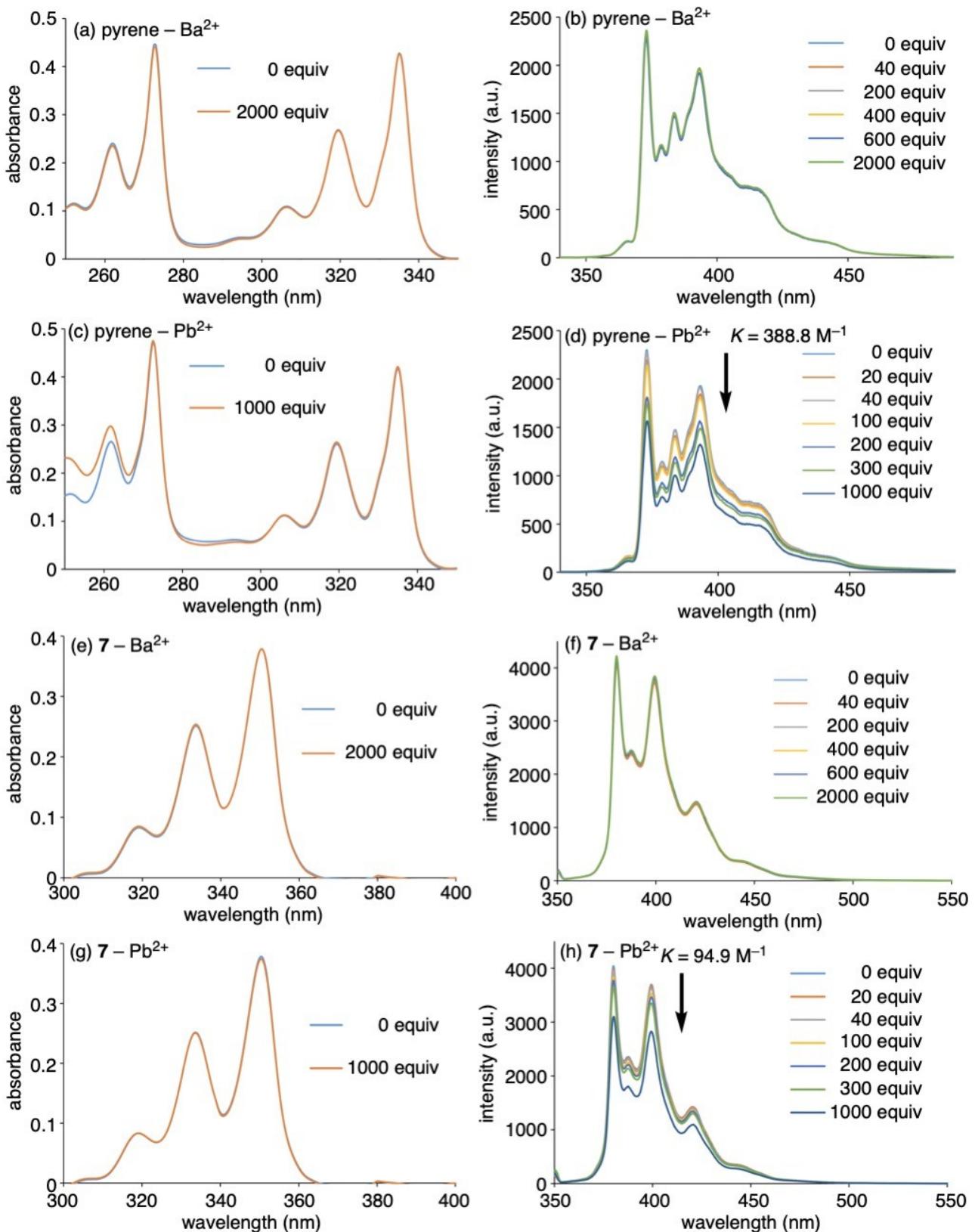


Fig. S18 (a)-(c) UV-vis absorption spectra of pyrene (**8**, 1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$) upon addition of (a) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-2000 equiv) and (c) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv). (b)-(d) Fluorescence spectra of pyrene (**8**, 1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 335 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of (b) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-2000 equiv) and (d) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv). (e)-(g) UV-vis absorption spectra of **7** (1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$) upon addition of (e) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-2000 equiv) and (g) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv). (f)-(h) Fluorescence spectra of **7** (1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 350 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of (f) $\text{Ba}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-2000 equiv) and (h) $\text{Pb}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ (0-1000 equiv).

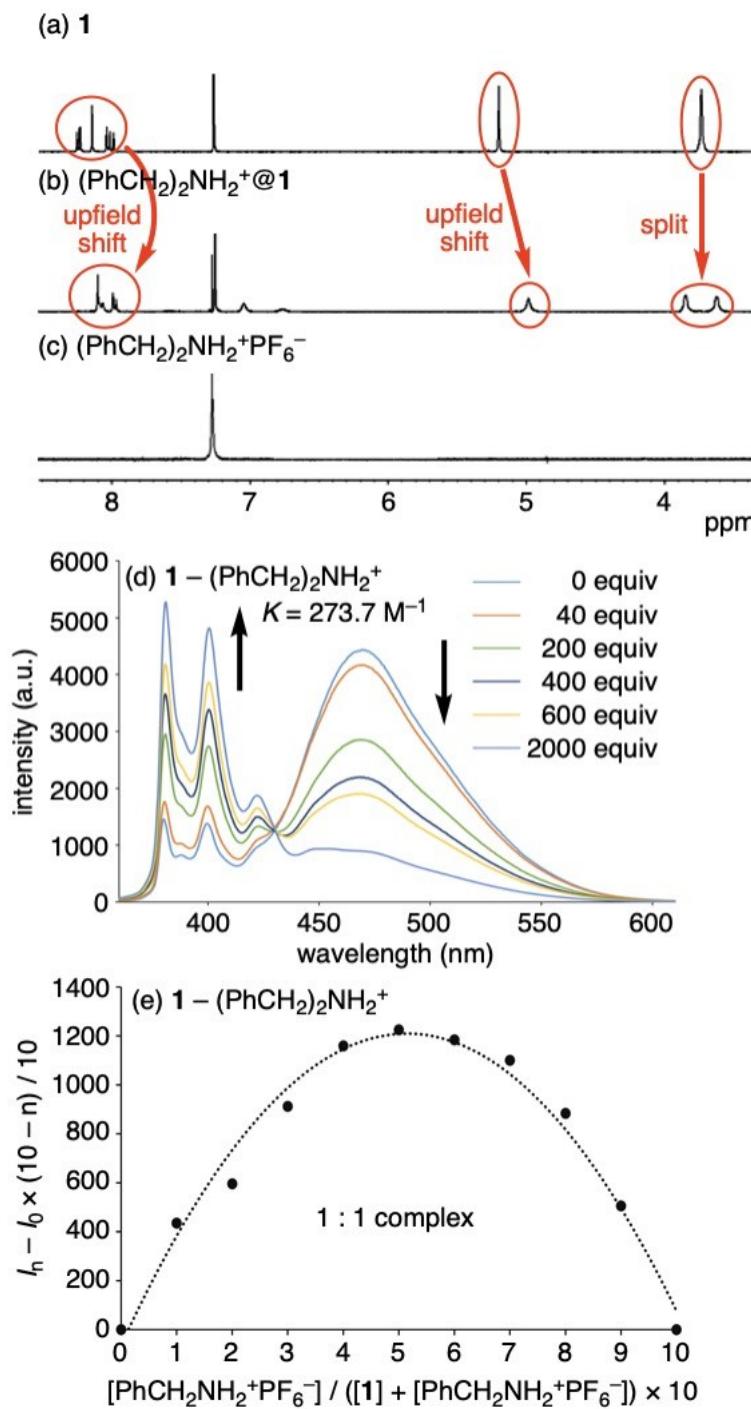


Fig. S19 ^1H NMR spectra (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of (a) **1**, (b) a mixture of **1** with $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$, and (c) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$. (d) Fluorescence spectra of **1** (1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 351 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv). (e) Job's plot for complex formation between **1** and $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$, obtained using measurements of fluorescence intensities at 468 nm in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $[\mathbf{1}] + [(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-] = 1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ M.

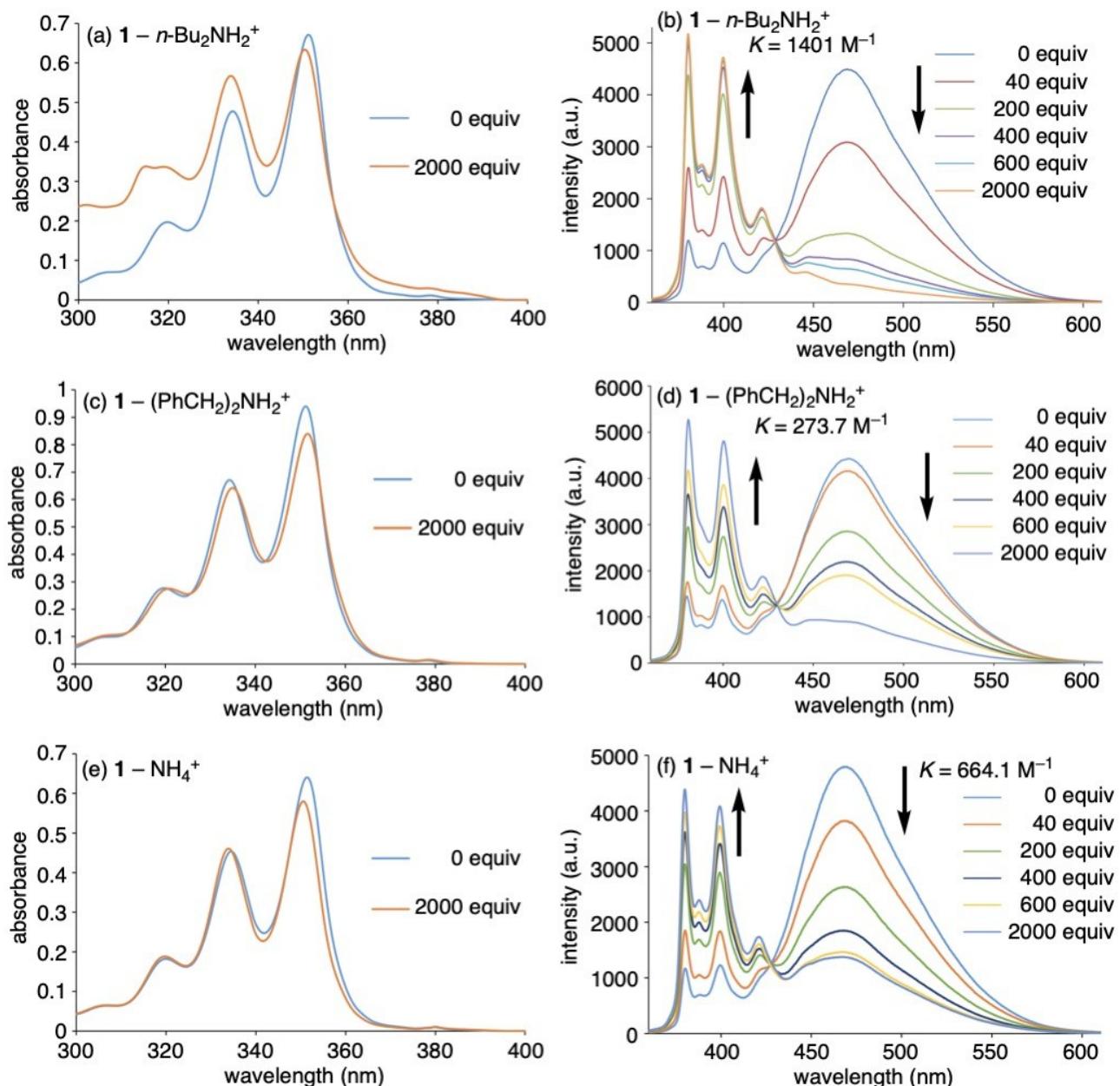


Fig. S20 (a)(c)(e) UV-vis absorption spectra of **1** (1.0×10^{-5} M in $1:1 \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$) upon addition of (a) $n\text{-Bu}_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), (c) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), and (e) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv). (b)(d)(f) Fluorescence spectra of **1** (1.0×10^{-5} M in $1:1 \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 351 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of (b) $n\text{-Bu}_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), (d) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), and (f) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv).

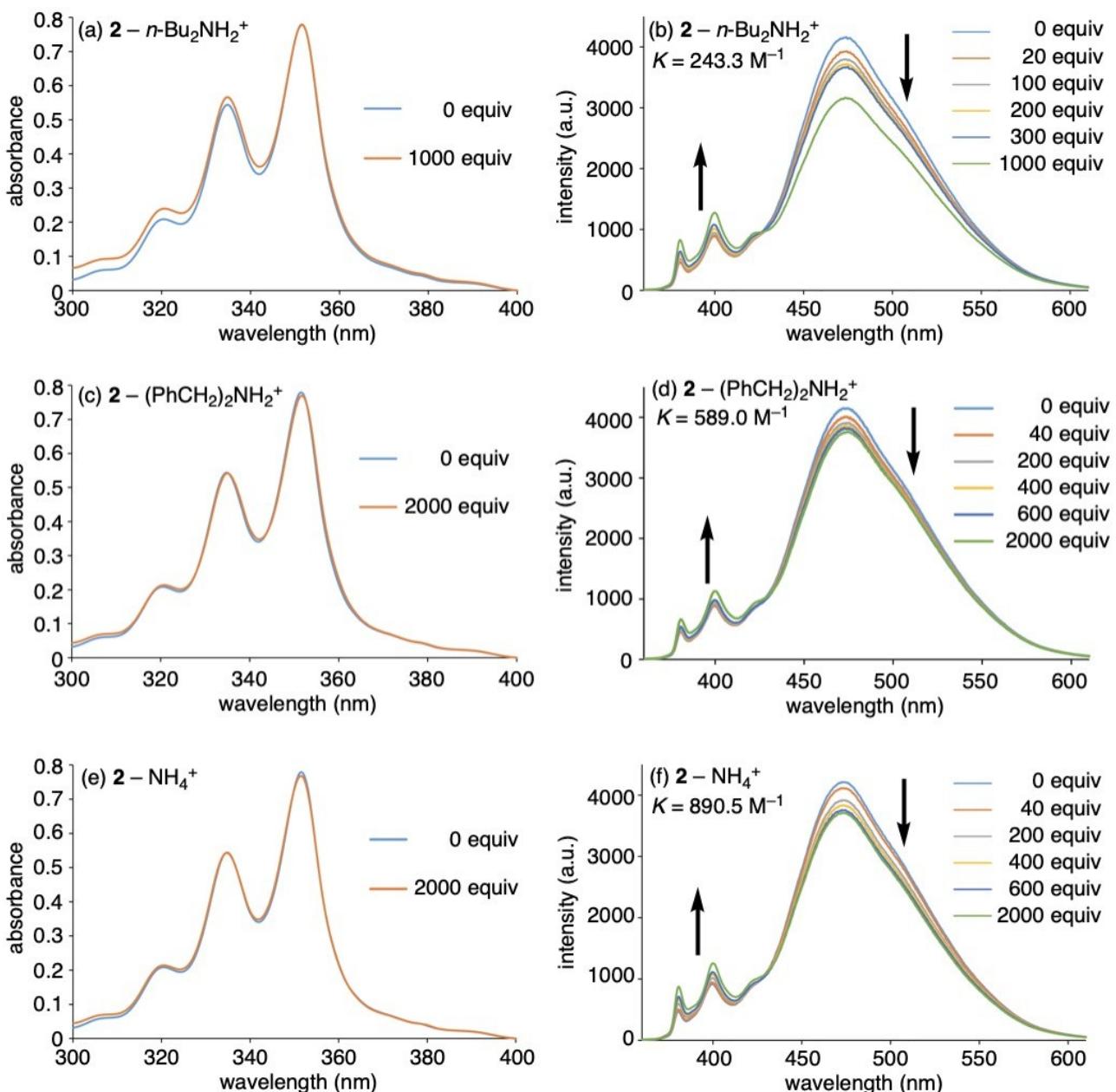


Fig. S21 (a)(c)(e) UV-vis absorption spectra of **2** (1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$) upon addition of (a) $n\text{-Bu}_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-1000 equiv), (c) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), and (e) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv). (b)(d)(f) Fluorescence spectra of **2** (1.0×10^{-5} M in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ nm) upon addition of (b) $n\text{-Bu}_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-1000 equiv), (d) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), and (f) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv).

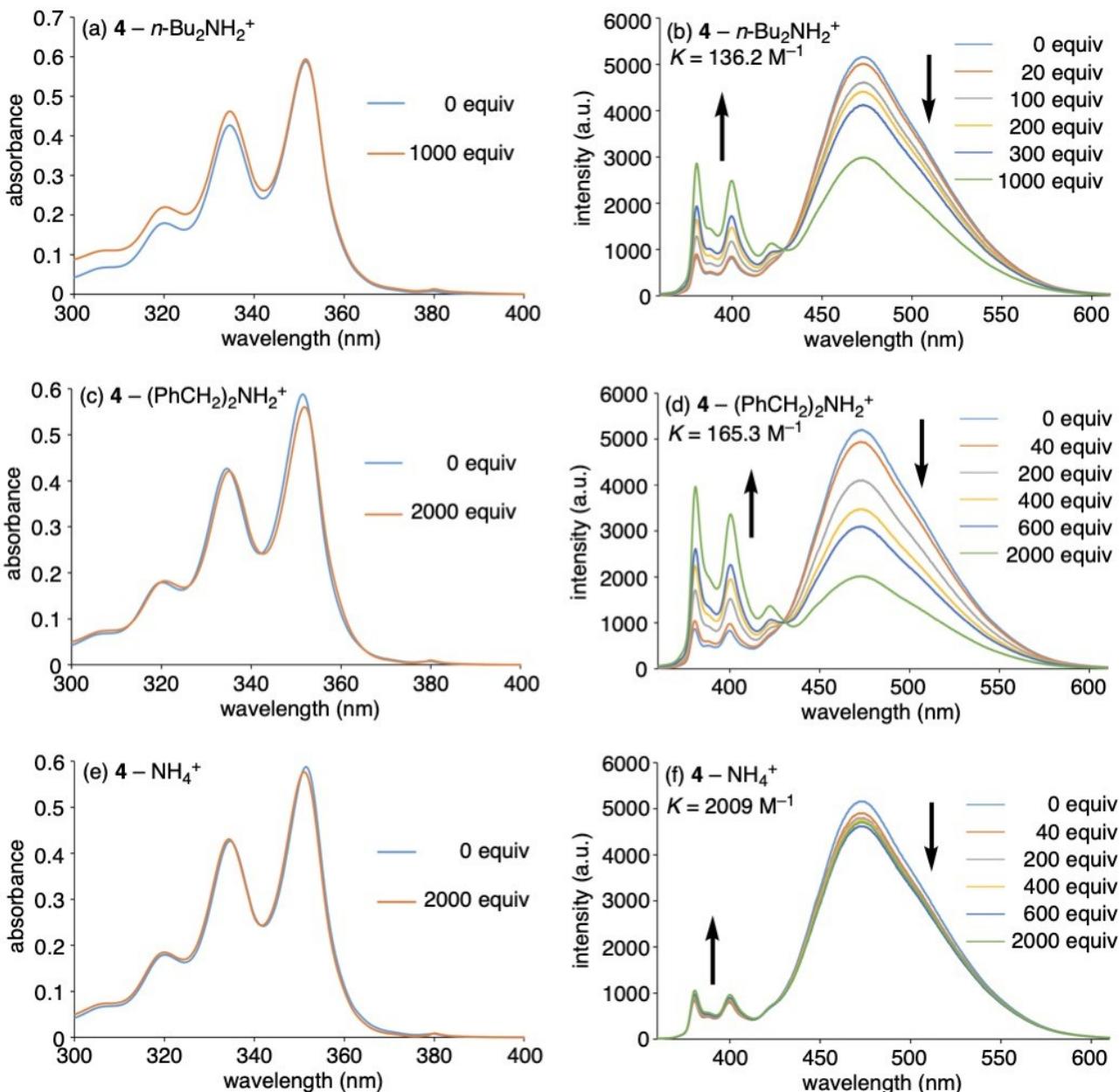


Fig. S22 (a)(c)(e) UV-vis absorption spectra of **4** (1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN) upon addition of (a) n-Bu₂NH₂⁺PF₆⁻ (0-1000 equiv), (c) (PhCH₂)₂NH₂⁺PF₆⁻ (0-2000 equiv), and (e) NH₄⁺PF₆⁻ (0-2000 equiv). (b)(d)(f) Fluorescence spectra of **4** (1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 351$ nm) upon addition of (b) n-Bu₂NH₂⁺PF₆⁻ (0-1000 equiv), (d) (PhCH₂)₂NH₂⁺PF₆⁻ (0-2000 equiv), and (f) NH₄⁺PF₆⁻ (0-2000 equiv).

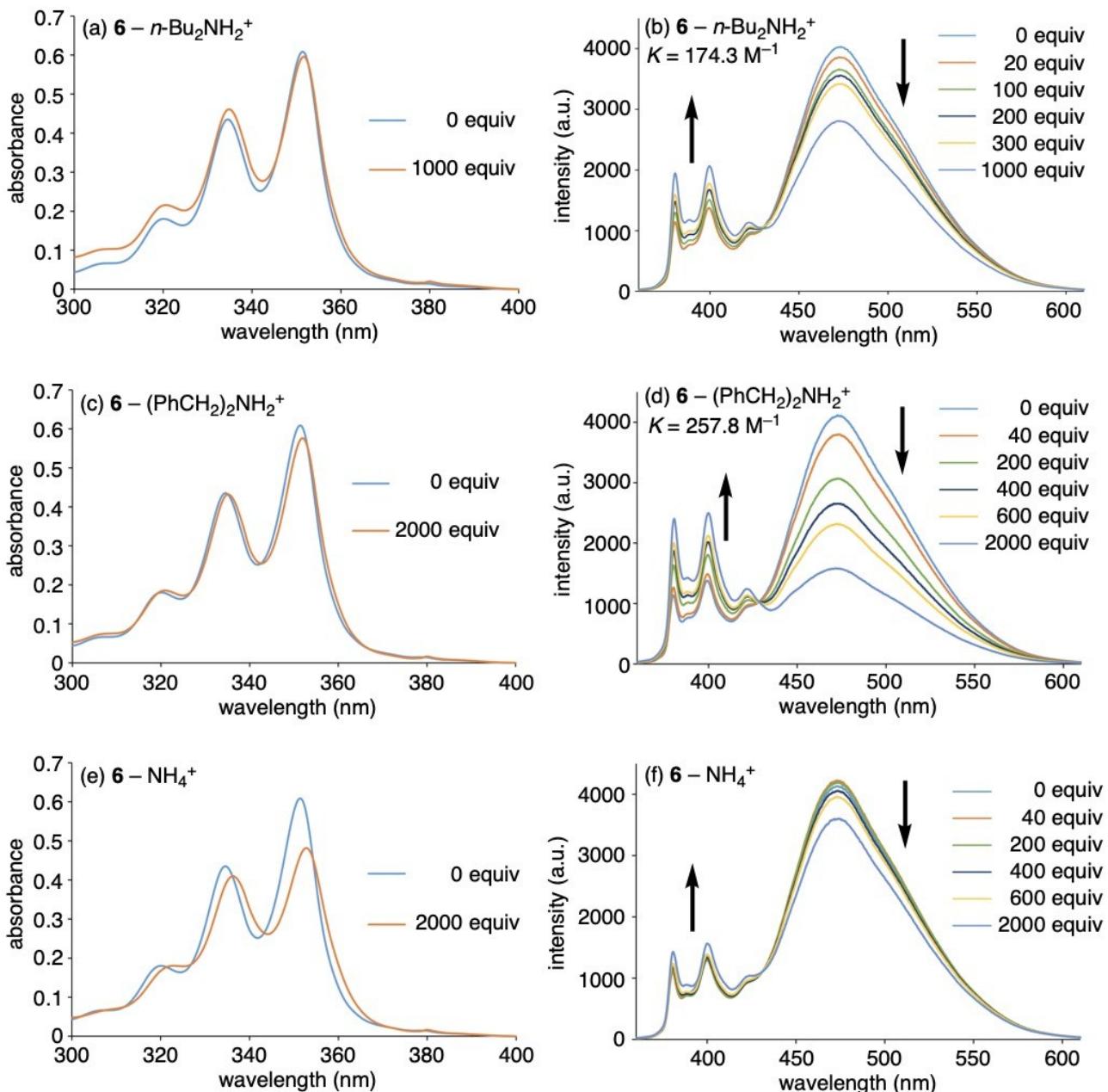


Fig. S23 (a)(c)(e) UV-vis absorption spectra of **6** ($1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$) upon addition of (a) $n\text{-Bu}_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-1000 equiv), (c) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), and (e) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv). (b)(d)(f) Fluorescence spectra of **6** ($1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M}$ in 1:1 $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 351 \text{ nm}$) upon addition of (b) $n\text{-Bu}_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-1000 equiv), (d) $(\text{PhCH}_2)_2\text{NH}_2^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv), and (f) $\text{NH}_4^+\text{PF}_6^-$ (0-2000 equiv).

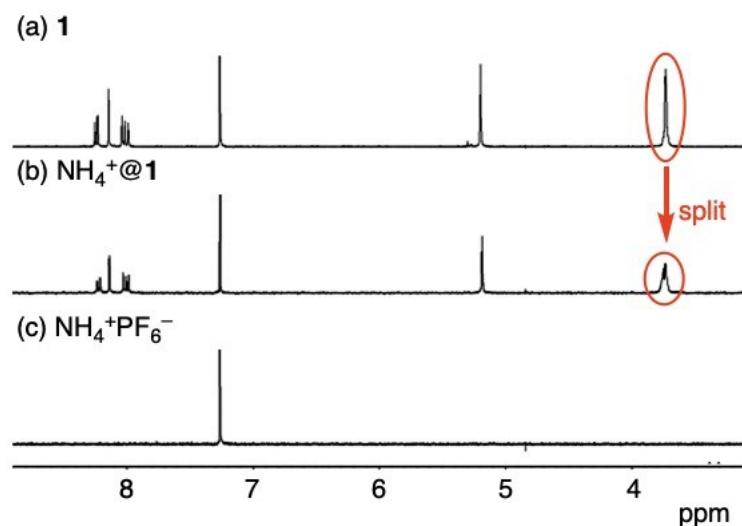


Fig. S24 ¹H NMR spectra (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of (a) **1**, (b) a mixture of **1** with NH₄⁺PF₆⁻, and (c) NH₄⁺PF₆⁻.

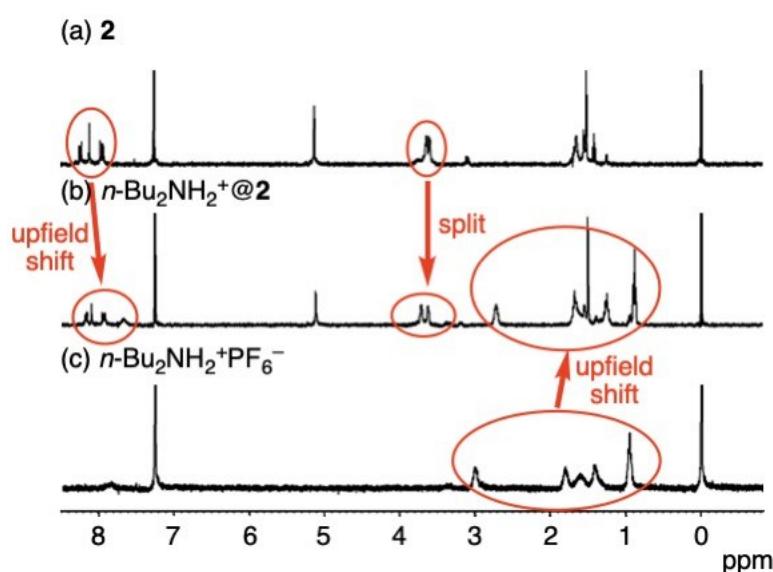


Fig. S25 ¹H NMR spectra (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of (a) **2**, (b) a mixture of **2** with n-Bu₂NH₂⁺PF₆⁻, and (c) n-Bu₂NH₂⁺PF₆⁻.

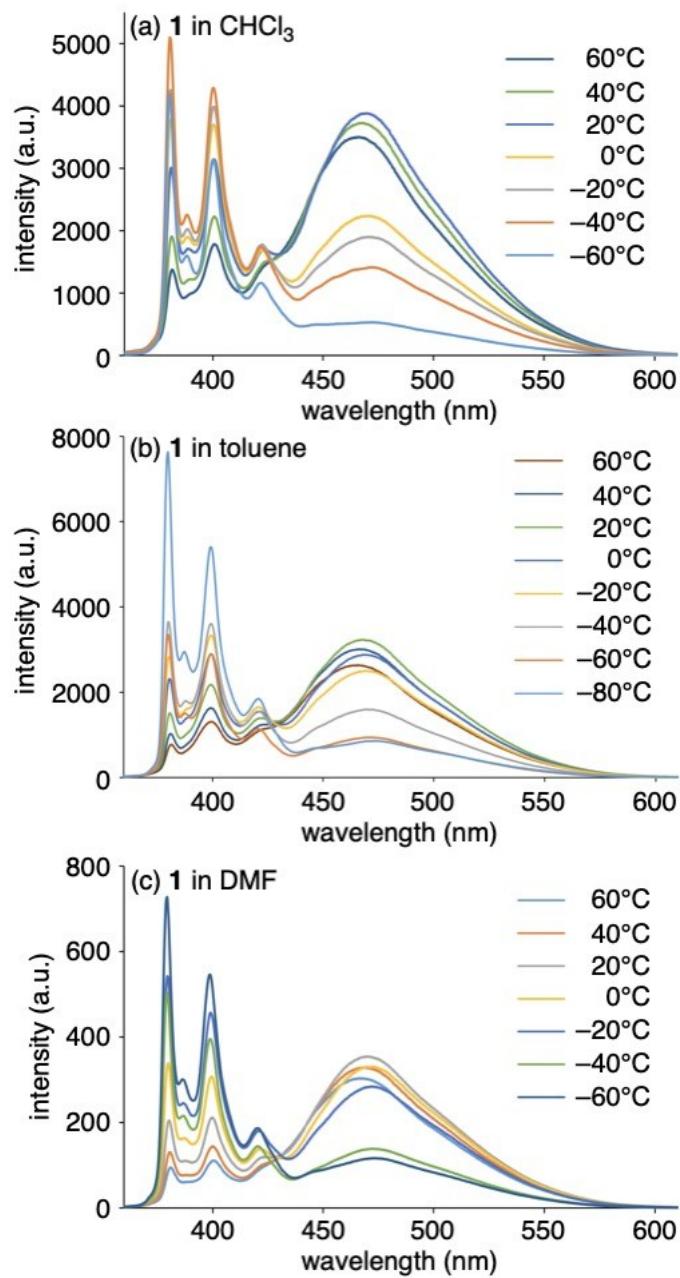


Fig. S26 Variable-temperature fluorescence spectra of **1**, 1.0×10^{-5} M in (a) CHCl_3 , $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 354$ nm, (b) toluene, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 354$ nm, and (c) DMF, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ nm.

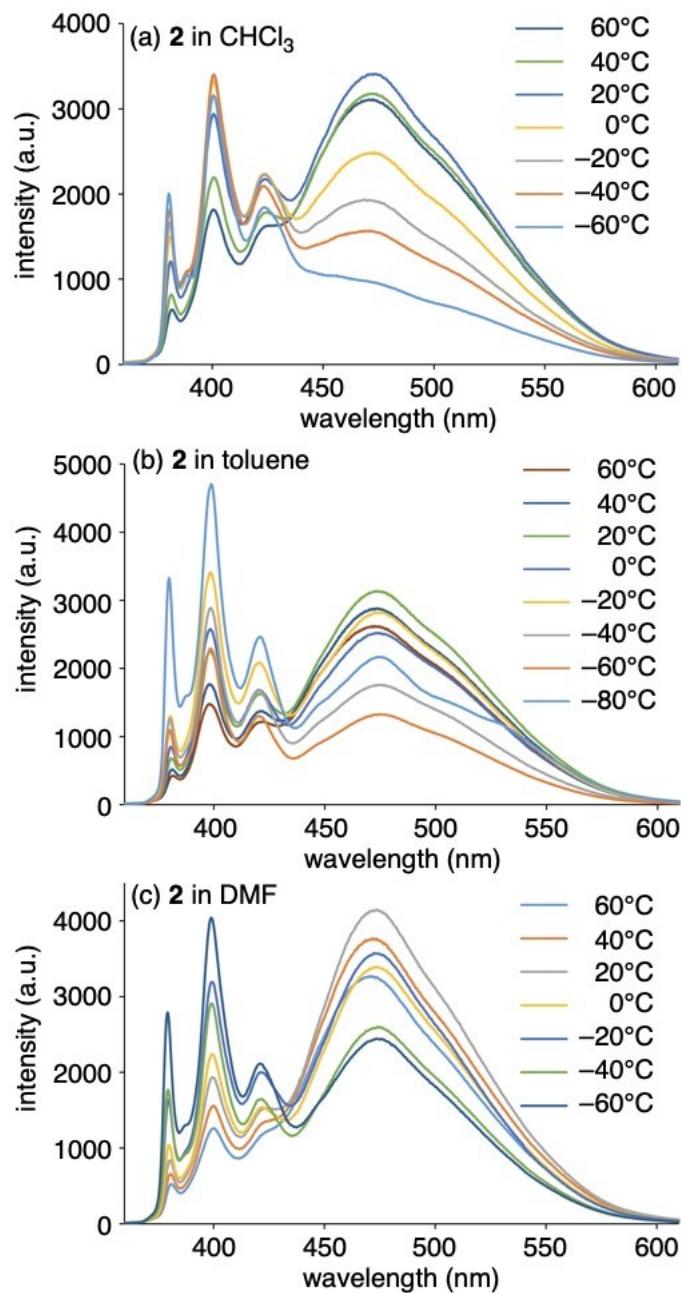


Fig. S27 Variable-temperature fluorescence spectra of **2**, 1.0×10^{-5} M in (a) CHCl_3 , $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 354$ nm, (b) toluene, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 354$ nm, and (c) DMF, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 353$ nm.

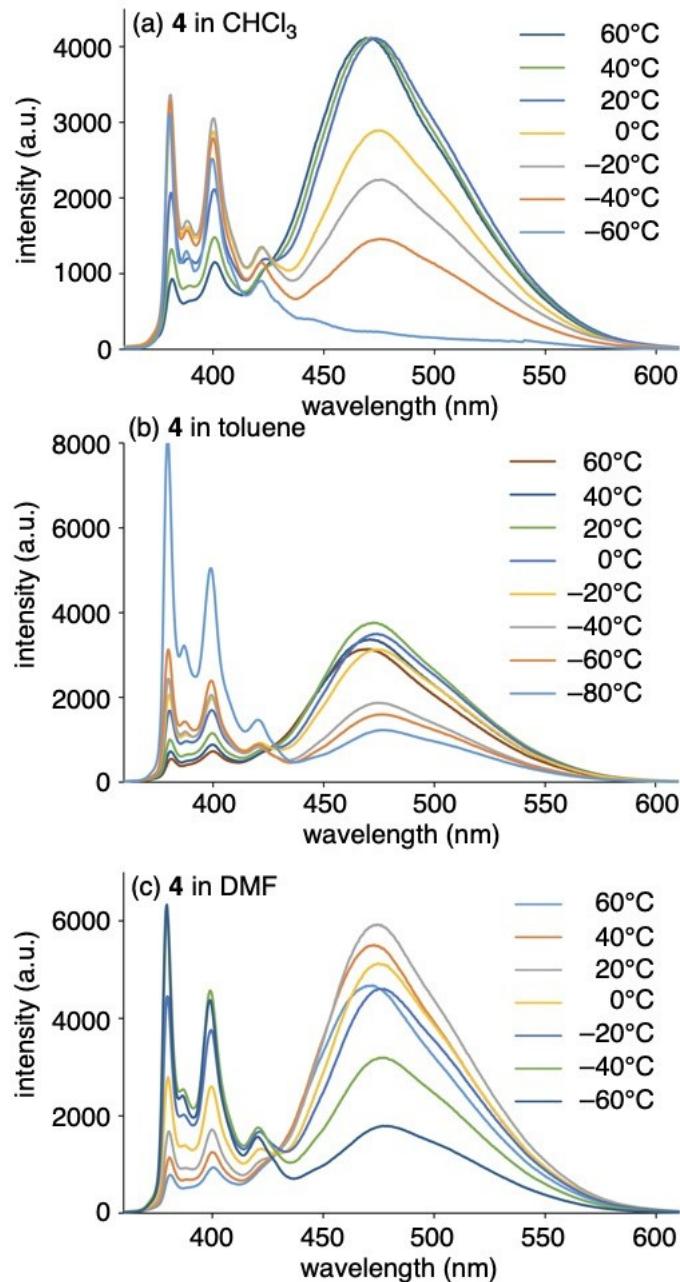


Fig. S28 Variable-temperature fluorescence spectra of **4**, 1.0×10^{-5} M in (a) CHCl_3 , $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 353$ nm, (b) toluene, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 354$ nm, and (c) DMF, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ nm.

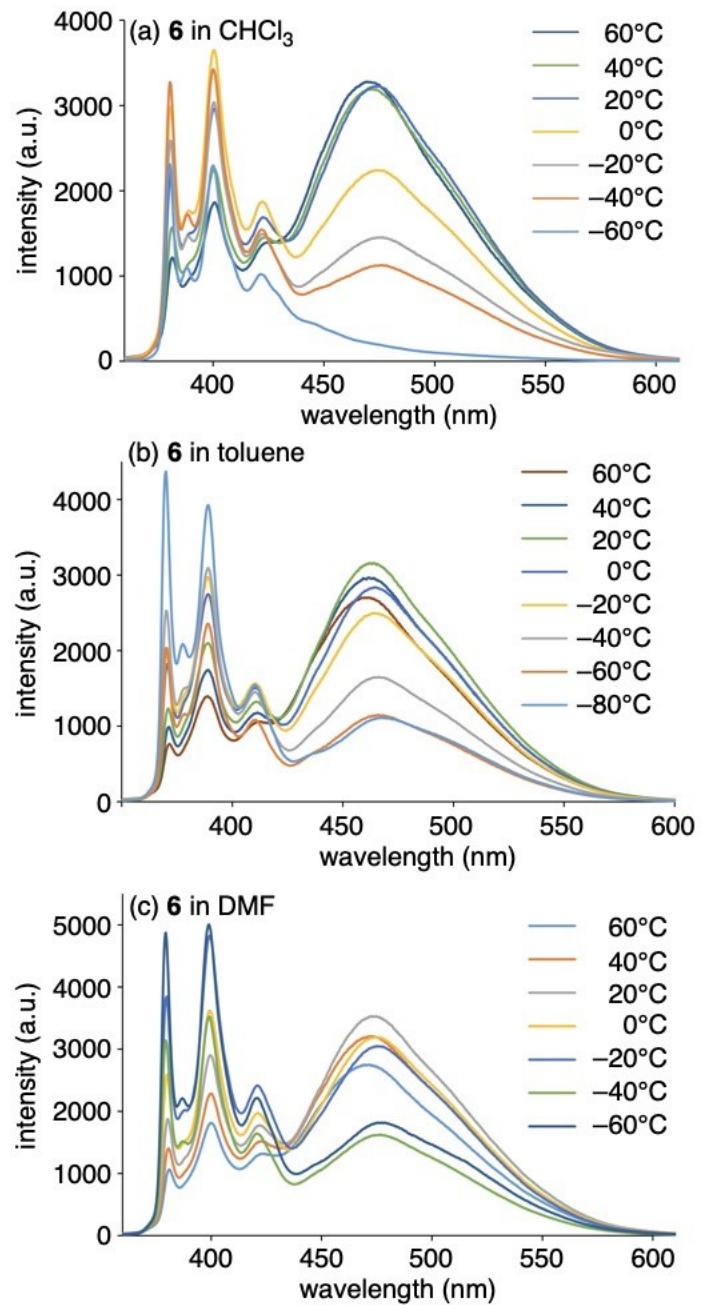


Fig. S29 Variable-temperature fluorescence spectra of **6**, 1.0×10^{-5} M in (a) CHCl_3 , $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 353$ nm, (b) toluene, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 354$ nm, and (c) DMF, $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 352$ nm.

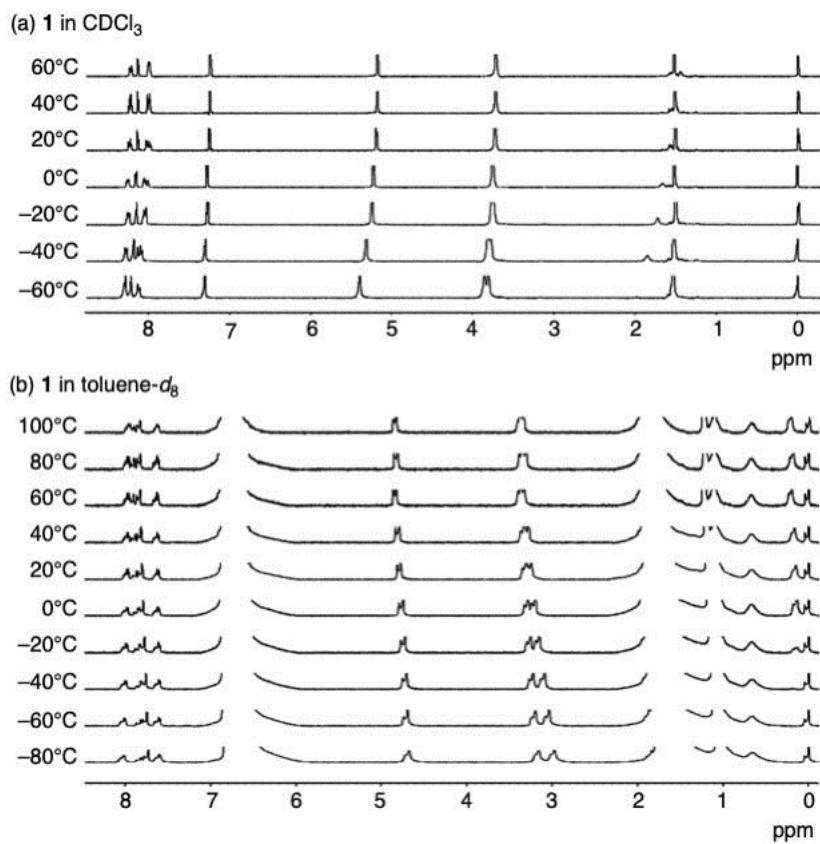


Fig. S30 Variable-temperature ^1H NMR spectra (500 MHz) of **1** in (a) CDCl_3 and (b) toluene- d_8 .

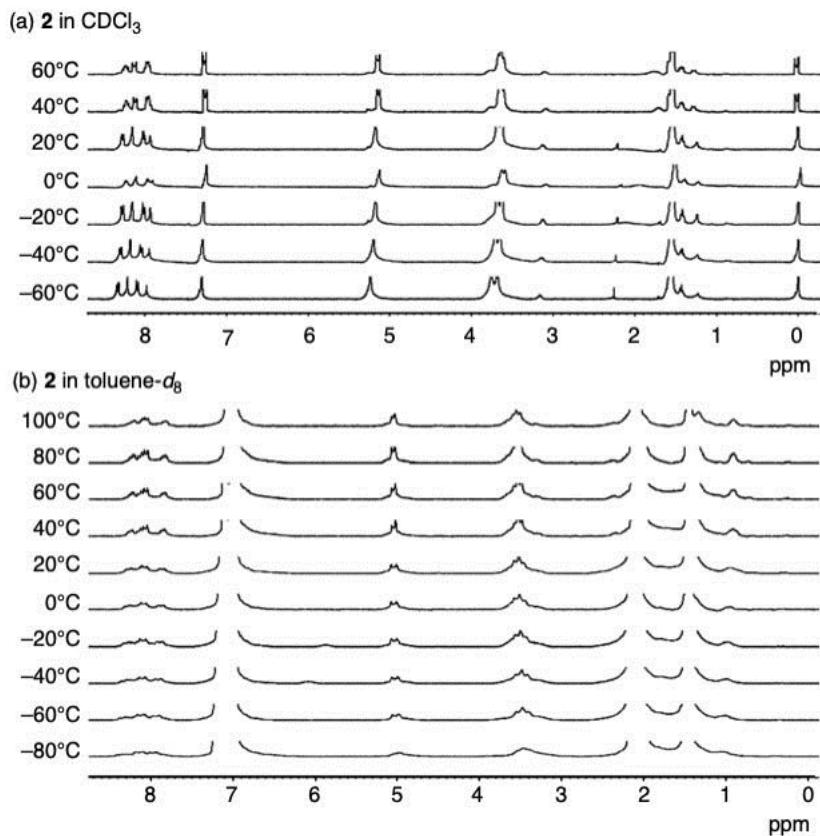


Fig. S31 Variable-temperature ^1H NMR spectra (500 MHz) of **2** in (a) CDCl_3 and (b) toluene- d_8 .

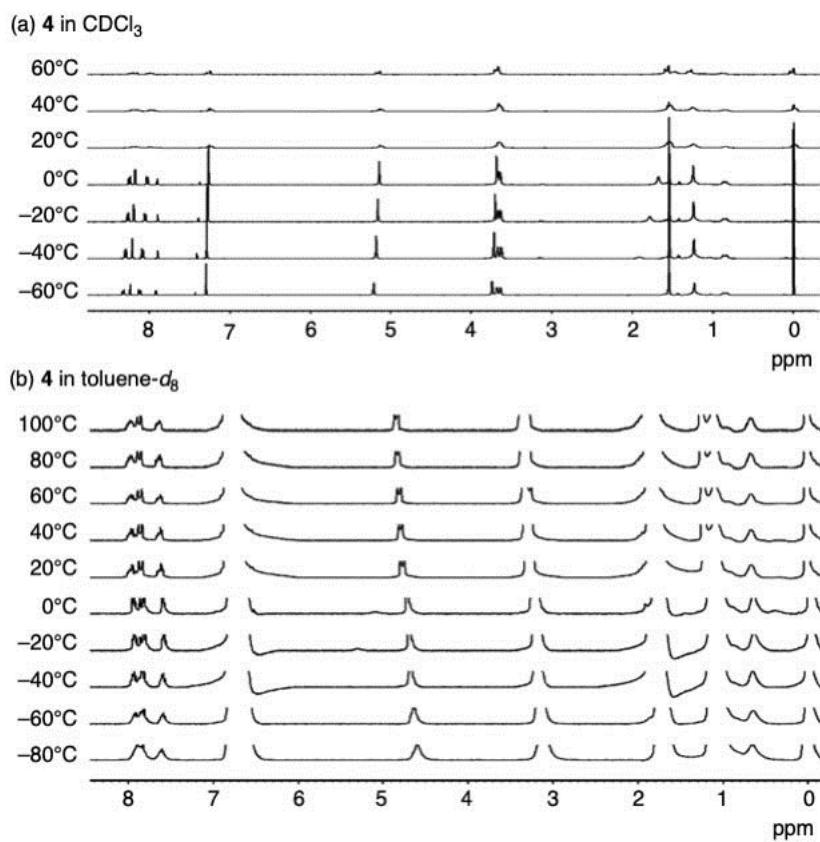


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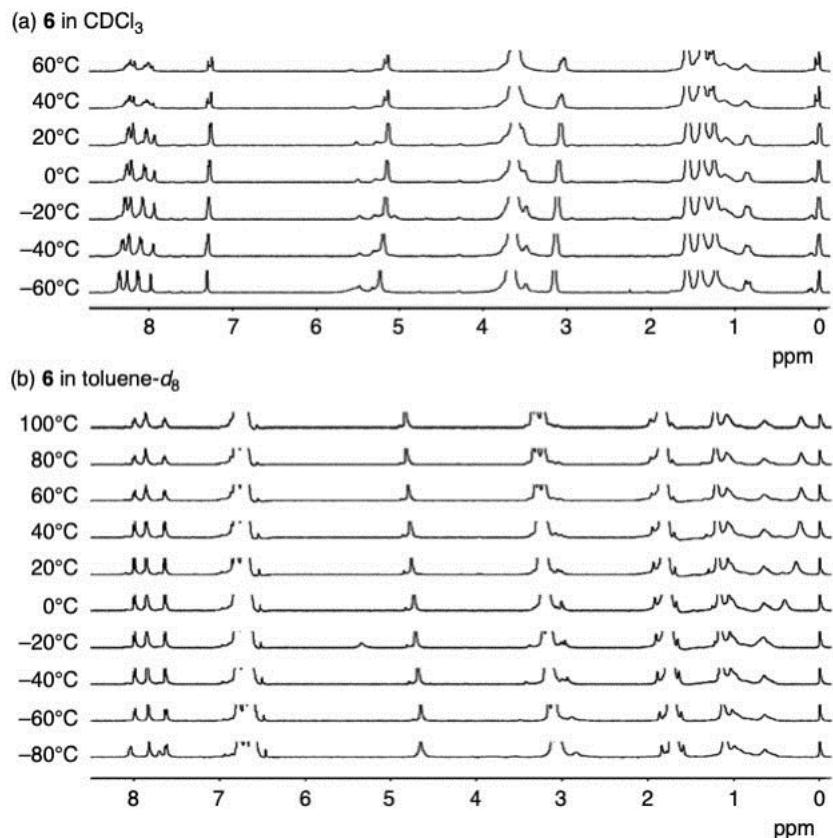


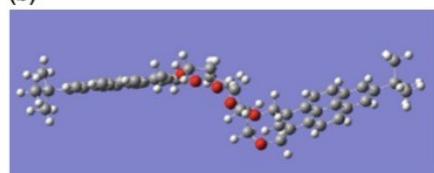
Fig. S33 Variable-temperature ^1H NMR spectra (500 MHz) of **6** in (a) CDCl_3 and (b) $\text{toluene}-d_8$.

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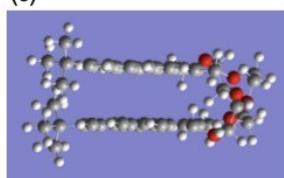


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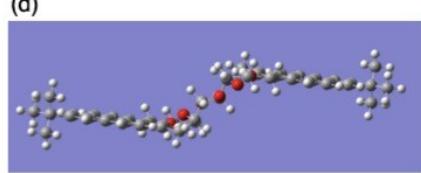


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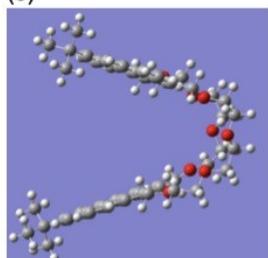


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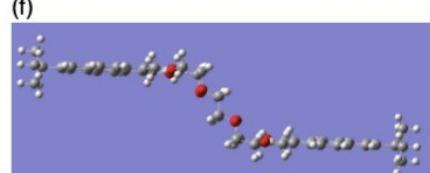


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(e)

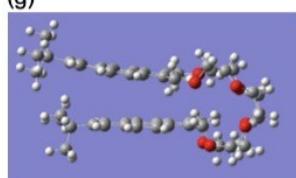


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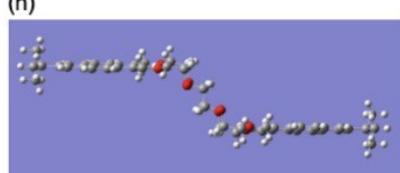


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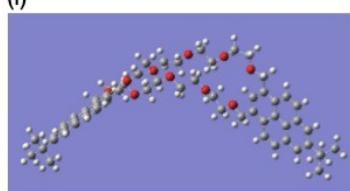


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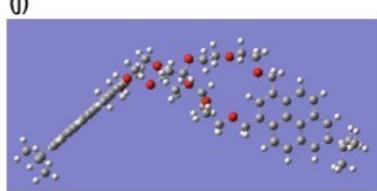


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(i)

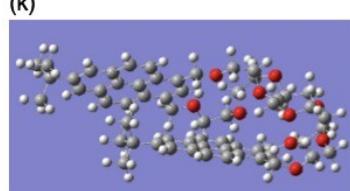


(j)



6, ω B97XD/6-31G(d,p)

(k)



(l)

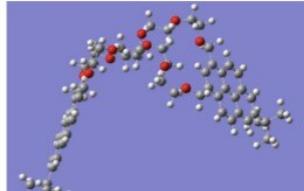


Fig. S34 Optimized conformers of (a)(b)(c)(d) **1**, (e)(f)(g)(h) **4**, and (i)(j)(k)(l) **6**, calculated by using (a)(b)(e)(f)(i)(j) B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) and (c)(d)(g)(h)(k)(l) ω B97XD/6-31G(d,p).

Table S2 Enthalpy and entropy differences of conformers.

compound	B3LYP/3-21G//B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)		ωB97XD/3-21G//ωB97XD/6-31G(d,p)	
	ΔΔH(<i>syn-anti</i>) (kJ/mol)	ΔΔS(<i>syn-anti</i>) (J/mol•K)	ΔΔH(<i>syn-anti</i>) (kJ/mol)	ΔΔS(<i>syn-anti</i>) (J/mol•K)
1	18.2	13.3	-112.7	7.8
4	13.1	10.8	-185.7	-2.9
6	-13.8	13.5	-112.3	4.9