

Electronic Supplementary Information

New porous coordination polymer reveals selective sensing of Fe³⁺, Cr₂O₇²⁻, CrO₄²⁻, MnO₄⁻ and nitrobenzene, and stimuli-responsive luminescent color conversions

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Table S1 The loading amounts of Fe³⁺ or Cr₂O₇²⁻ in USTC-5.

concentrations	3×10 ⁻⁴ M	5×10 ⁻⁴ M	8×10 ⁻⁴ M	1×10 ⁻³ M	3×10 ⁻³ M
loading amounts of Fe ³⁺ (μg/mg)	1.15	1.61	1.88	1.90	2.03
loading amounts of Cr ₂ O ₇ ²⁻ (μg/mg)	0.118	0.150	0.200	0.225	0.288

Table S2 Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for USTC-5.

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Zn(1)-O(1)	2.130(2)
Zn(1)-O(2)	2.212(2)
Zn(1)-O(3)	2.354(2)
Zn(1)-O(4)	2.0776(17)
Zn(1)-N(1)	2.0702(17)
Zn(1)-N(5)	2.0806(18)
O(1)-Zn(1)-O(2)	59.56(7)
O(1)-Zn(1)-O(3)	97.99(8)
O(1)-Zn(1)-O(4)	99.52(8)
O(1)-Zn(1)-N(1)	152.85(8)
O(1)-Zn(1)-N(5)	90.65(8)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(3)	101.64(7)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(4)	150.74(8)
O(2)-Zn(1)-N(1)	93.34(7)
O(2)-Zn(1)-N(5)	105.23(8)
O(3)-Zn(1)-O(4)	58.45(7)
O(3)-Zn(1)-N(1)	85.26(8)
O(3)-Zn(1)-N(5)	152.50(7)
O(4)-Zn(1)-N(1)	104.98(7)
O(4)-Zn(1)-N(5)	94.46(7)
N(1)-Zn(1)-N(5)	98.82(7)

Table S3 The comparison this work with recently published articles related to sensing

analytes	MOFs	solvents	quenching	detection	references	
			constants	limits		
			K_{sv} (M^{-1})	(μM)		
Fe^{3+}	$\{[Zn_2(TRZ)_2(DBTDC-O_2)] \cdot DMA\}_n$	H ₂ O	1.01×10^4	4.61	[1]	
	USTC-5	H ₂ O	9.85×10^3	1.91	<i>This Work</i>	
	$[Zn_2(NO_3)_2(4,4'-bpy)_2(TBA)]_n$	H ₂ O	7.48×10^3	7.18	[2]	
	$[Zn_2(cptpy)(btc)(H_2O)]_n$	H ₂ O	5.46×10^3	4.33	[3]	
	$\{[Zn_3(HL1)_2H_2O] \cdot 4H_2O\}_n$	H ₂ O	5.00×10^3	220	[4]	
	$\{[Me_2NH_2]-[Zn_2(HEDP)(BPDC)_{0.5}(H_2O)_2] \cdot H_2O\}_n$	H ₂ O	4.74×10^3	NM	[5]	
$Cr_2O_7^{2-}$	$[Cd(L2)_2(H_2O)_2]_n$	H ₂ O	5.10×10^4	34.1	[6]	
	USTC-5	H ₂ O	1.25×10^4	1.45	<i>This Work</i>	
	$\{[Zn_2(TRZ)_2(DBTDC-O_2)] \cdot DMA\}_n$	H ₂ O	1.24×10^4	2.55	[1]	
	$[Zn(L3)(BBI) \cdot (H_2O)_2]_n$	H ₂ O	1.17×10^4	NM	[7]	
	$\{[Zn_2(TPOM)(NH_2-BDC)_2] \cdot 4H_2O\}_n$	DMF	7.59×10^3	3.9	[8]	
	$[Zn(btz)]_n$	H ₂ O	4.23×10^3	NM	[9]	
CrO_4^{2-}	USTC-5	H ₂ O	1.34×10^4	11.4	<i>This Work</i>	
	$\{[Zn_3(L4)(OH)(H_2O)_5] \cdot NMP \cdot 2H_2O\}_n$	H ₂ O	1.30×10^4	429	[10]	
	$[Cd(L2)_2(H_2O)_2]_n$	H ₂ O	1.10×10^4	175	[6]	
	$\{[Zn_2(TPOM)(NH_2-BDC)_2] \cdot 4H_2O\}_n$	DMF	4.45×10^3	4.8	[8]	
	$[Zn(btz)]_n$	H ₂ O	3.19×10^3	NM	[9]	
	$\{[Eu(L5)(H_2O)_2] \cdot 5H_2O\}_n$	H ₂ O	1.74×10^3	NM	[11]	
MnO_4^-	$\{[Tb(TBOT)(H_2O)] \cdot 4H_2O \cdot DMF \cdot 0.5NMP\}_n$	H ₂ O	6.63×10^4	340	[12]	
	USTC-5	H ₂ O	1.92×10^4	23.4	<i>This Work</i>	
	$\{[Zn_3(L4)(OH)(H_2O)_5] \cdot NMP \cdot 2H_2O\}_n$	H ₂ O	1.10×10^4	338	[10]	
	$[Ba_3La_{0.5}(\mu_3-L6)_{2.5}(H_2O)_3(DMF)] \cdot 3DMF\}_n$	H ₂ O	7.73×10^3	0.28	[13]	
	$\{[Cd(L7)(glu)] \cdot 3H_2O\}_n$	DMF	4.53×10^3	4.64	[14]	
	$\{[Eu(L5)(H_2O)_2] \cdot 5H_2O\}_n$	H ₂ O	5.10×10^2	NM	[11]	
NB	$\{[Me_2NH_2]-[Cd_2(L8)(DMA)]\}_n$	DMA	2700	2540	[15]	
	$\{[Tb(L9)_{1.5}(H_2O)] \cdot 4H_2O\}_n$	EtOH	2270	4.00	[16]	
	$\{[Eu_2(L10)_2(DMA)_2] \cdot nH_2O\}_n$	DMA	1390	1200	[17]	
	USTC-5	DMF	770	12.0	<i>This Work</i>	
	$\{[Me_2NH_2]-[Zn_2(L11)(H_2O)] \cdot 6DMF \cdot 4H_2O\}_n$	DMF	564	NM	[18]	
	$\{[Zn_4(L12)_3O] \cdot 8DMF \cdot H_2O\}_n$	DMF	155	NM	[19]	

NM = No Mention

HTRZ = 1,2,4-triazole; H₂DBTDC-O₂ = S,S-dioxodibenzothiophen-3,7-dicarboxylic acid;
4,4'-bpy = 4,4'-bipyridine; H₂TBA = 4-(1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)-benzoic acid;
Hcpty=4-(4-carboxyphenyl)-2,2':4',4''-terpyridine; H₃btc=1,3,5-benzenetricarboxylic acid;
HEDP = 1-hydroxyethylidene diphosphonate; H₂BPDC = biphenyl-4,4'-dicarboxylic acid;
BBI = 1,1'-(1,4-butanediyl)bis(imidazole); TPOM = tetrakis(4-pyridyloxymethylene)methane;
NH₂-BDC = 2-aminoterephthalic acid; H₂btz = 1,5-bis(5-tetrazolo)-3-oxapentane;
H₃TBOT = 2,4,6-tris[1-(3-carboxylphenoxy)ylmethyl]mesitylene; H₂glu = glutaric acid;
H₄L1 = 1-(3,5-dicarboxylatobenzyl)-3,5-pyrazole dicarboxylic acid; HL2 = 5-(triazol-1-yl)nicotinic acid;
H₂L3 = benzo-(1,2;4,5)-bis(thiophene-2'-carboxylic acid; H₅L4 = 2,4-di(3',5'-dicarboxylphenyl benzoic acid);
H₄L5⁺Cl⁻ = 1,3-bis(3,5-dicarboxyphenyl) imidazolium chloride; H₃L6 = *p*-terphenyl-3,4'',5-tricarboxylic acid;
L7 = pyridine-3,5-bis(5-azabenzimidazole); H₅L8 = 2,4-di(3',5'-dicarboxylphenyl) benzoic acid;
H₂L9 = 2-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)terephthalic acid; H₄L10 = 5-(bis(4-carboxybenzyl)amino)-isophthalic acid;
H₅L11 = 5,5'-(6-(4-carboxyphenylamino)-1,3,5-triazine-2,4-diyldiimino) diisophthalic acid;
H₂L12 = 2,6-bis(4'-carboxyl-phenyl)pyridine.

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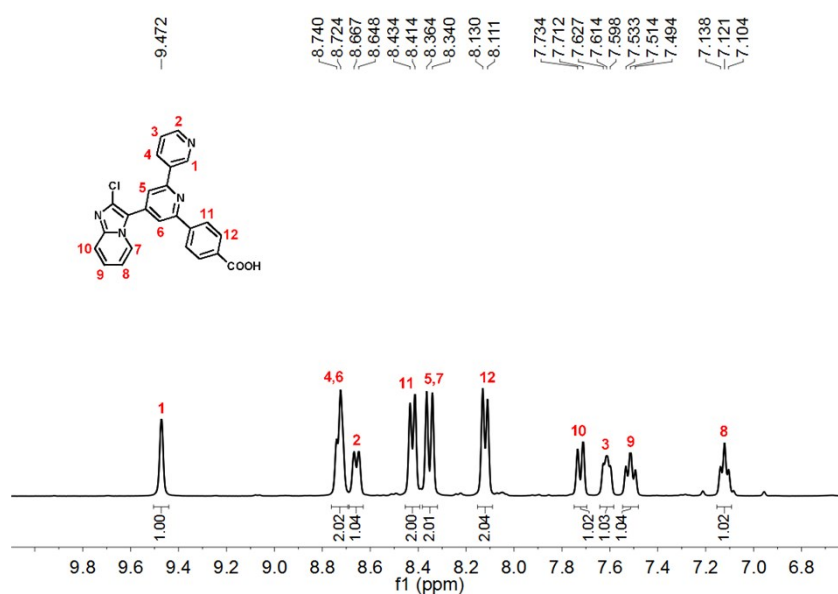


Fig. S1 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, dmsO-*d*₆) of HL ligand.

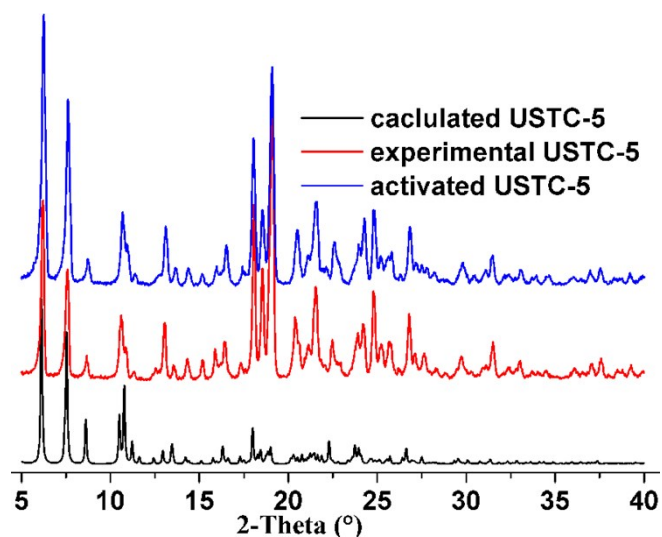


Fig. S2 Powder XRD profiles of calculated and experimental USTC-5, and activated USTC-5.

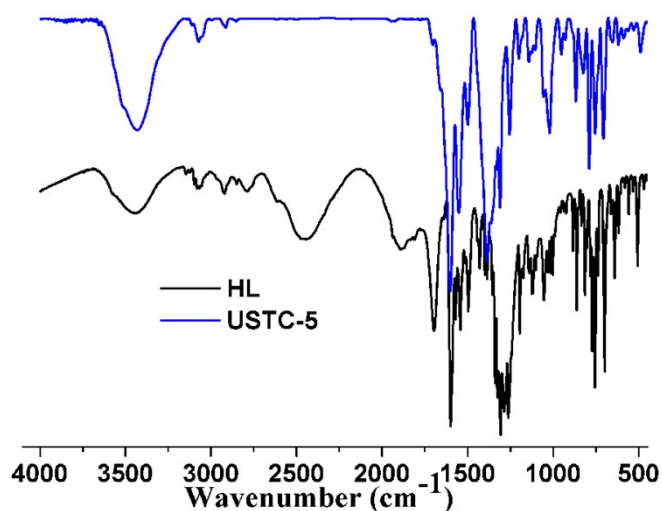


Fig. S3 IR absorption of HL ligand and USTC-5.

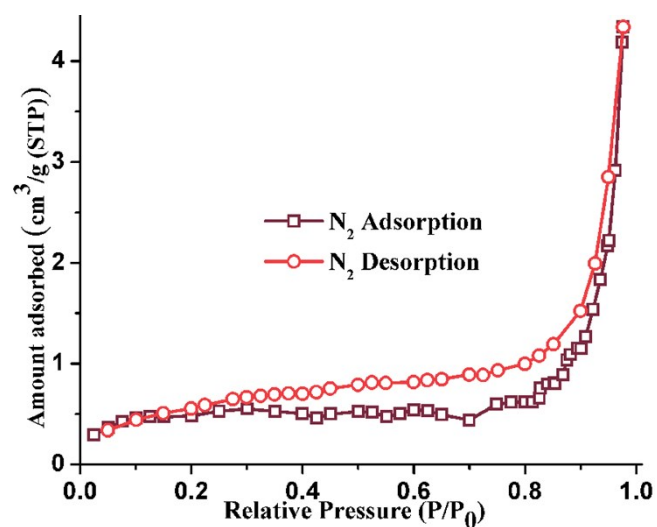


Fig. S4 The N₂ gas adsorption isotherms at 77 K for activated USTC-5.

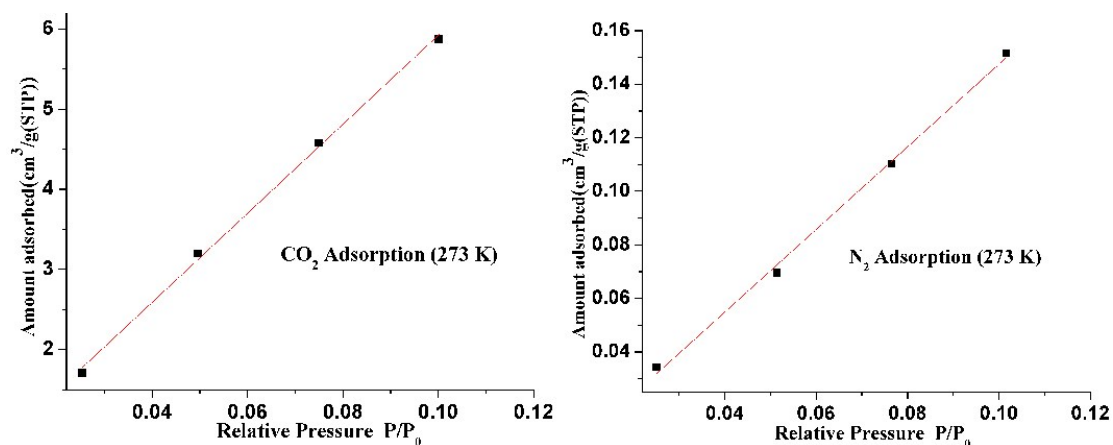


Fig. S5 The Henry's constants (K_H) of CO_2 and N_2 gases at 273 K for USTC-5.

For this method, it should be kept in mind that the ratio of the Henry's law constants will reflect the real mixture selectivity only at very low pressure and low loadings on the adsorbent.

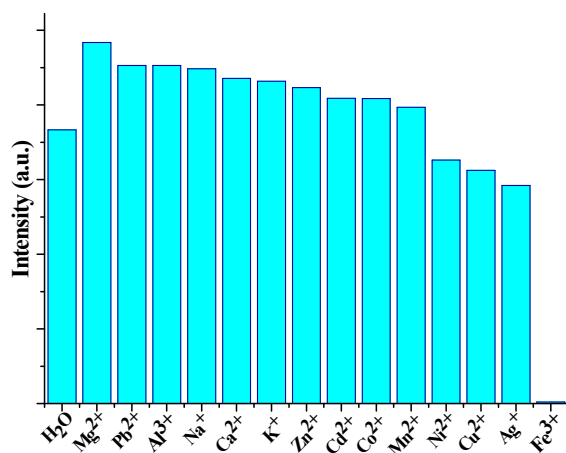


Fig. S6 The bar chart of luminescent intensities at maximum emission wavelength (*ca.* 436 nm) of USTC-5 suspended in different metal ion aqueous solutions.

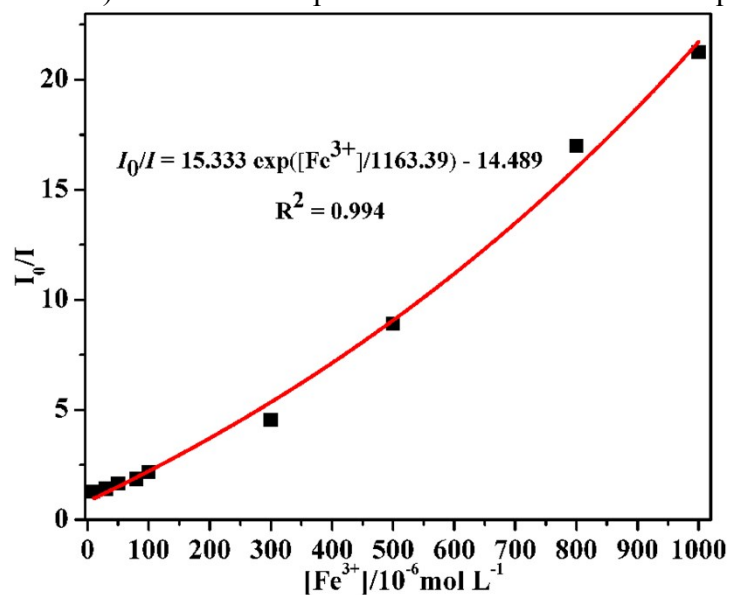


Fig. S7 Plot of I_0/I versus concentration of Fe^{3+} ion aqueous solutions.

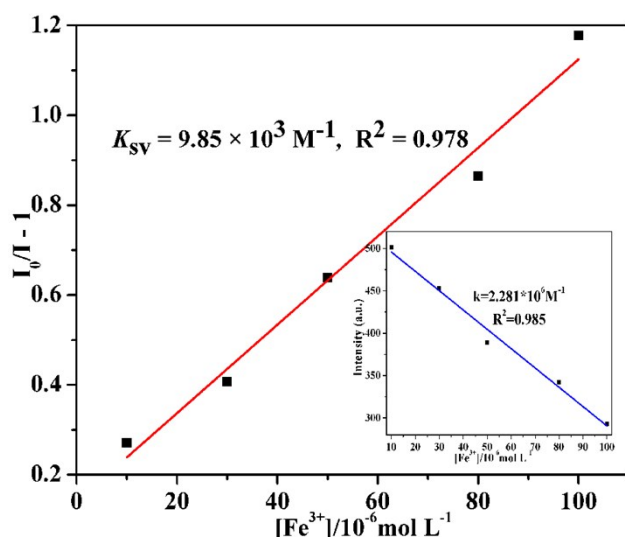


Fig. S8 Stern–Volmer plot of $I_0/I-1$ versus concentration of Fe^{3+} ion aqueous solutions. Inset: luminescent intensity versus concentration of Fe^{3+} ion aqueous solutions.

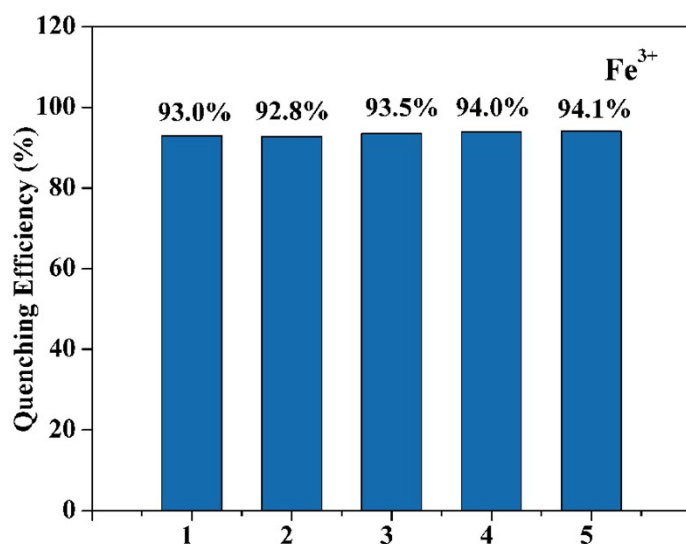


Fig. S9 Quenching efficiencies of USTC-5 in recyclable experiments for Fe^{3+} .

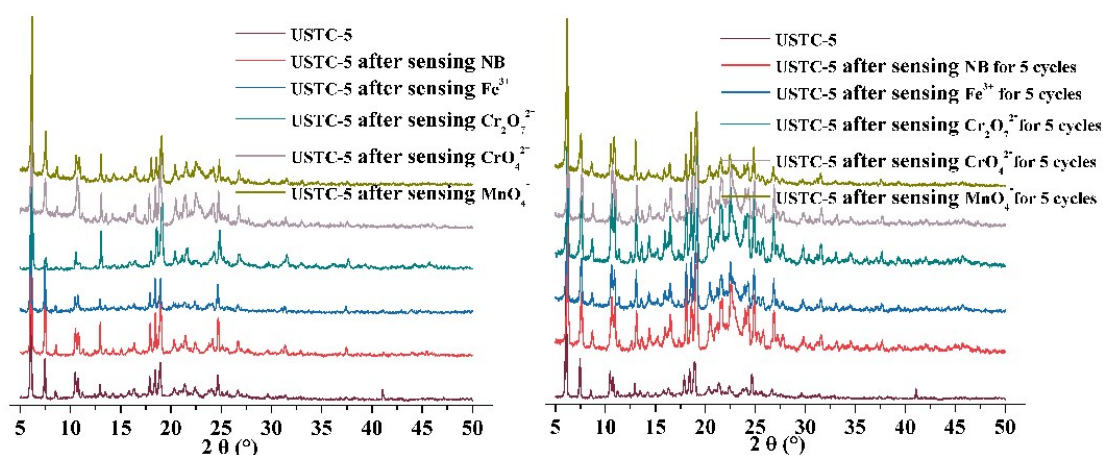


Fig. S10 PXR D patterns of USTC-5 treated by NB's DMF solution, $Fe(NO_3)_3$, $K_2Cr_2O_7$, K_2CrO_4 and $KMnO_4$ aqueous solutions, indicating that USTC-5 retains its

framework after immersed in different solutions containing NB molecules or ions (left), and even after 5 sensing cycles (right).

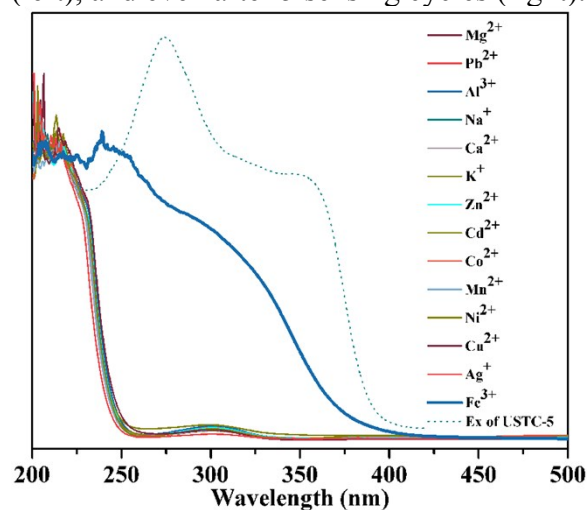


Fig. S11 UV-vis adsorption spectra of different $M(\text{NO}_3)_x$ aqueous solutions, and the excitation spectrum of USTC-5.

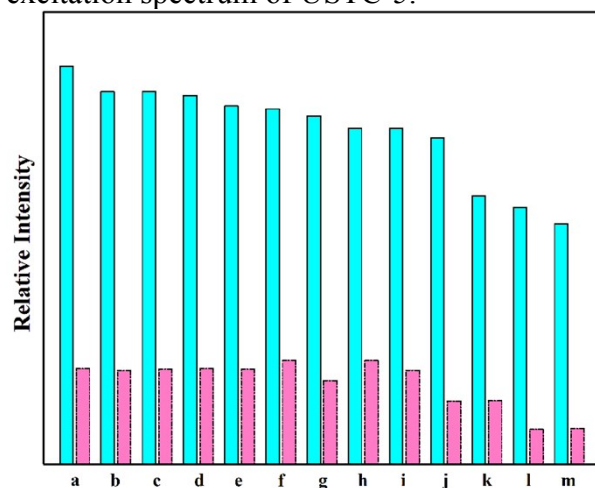


Fig. S12 The bar chart of luminescent intensities at maximum emission wavelength (*ca.* 436 nm) of USTC-5 suspended in 0.01 M interfering ion aqueous solutions (blue-green), and in the mixed aqueous solutions including 7.5×10^{-3} M interfering ion and 2.5×10^{-4} M Fe^{3+} ion (pink). The interfering ion: Mg^{2+} (a), Pb^{2+} (b), Al^{3+} (c), Na^{+} (d), Ca^{2+} (e), K^{+} (f), Zn^{2+} (g), Cd^{2+} (h), Co^{2+} (i), Mn^{2+} (j), Ni^{2+} (k), Cu^{2+} (l) or Ag^{+} (m).

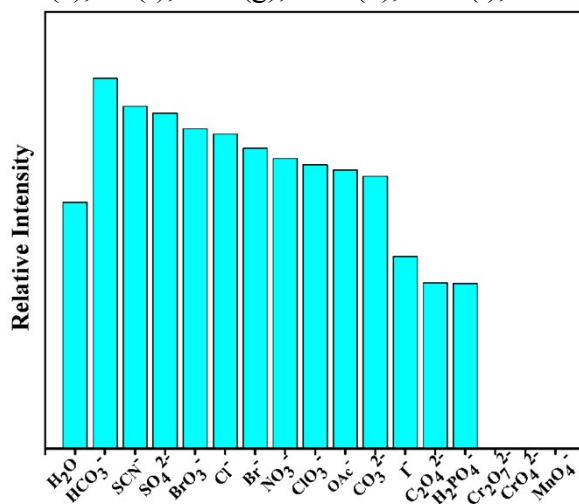


Fig. S13 The bar chart of luminescent intensities at maximum emission wavelength (ca. 436 nm) of USTC-5 suspended in different anionic aqueous solutions.

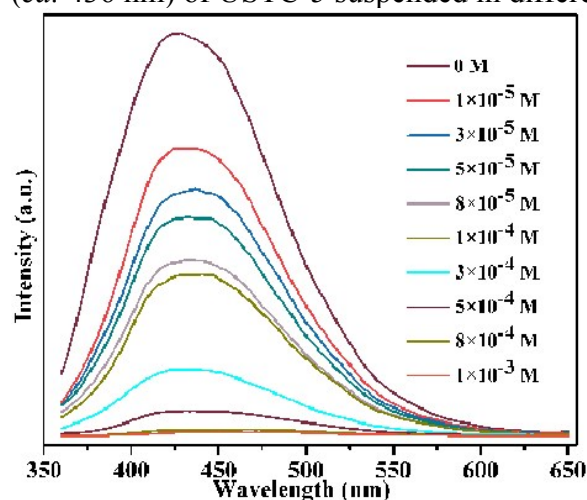


Fig. S14 Luminescence spectra of USTC-5 dispersed in various concentrations of $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ aqueous solutions.

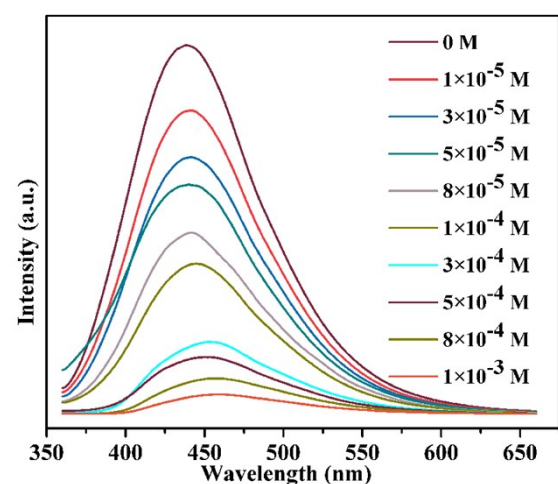


Fig. S15 Luminescence spectra of USTC-5 dispersed in various concentrations of CrO_4^{2-} aqueous solutions.

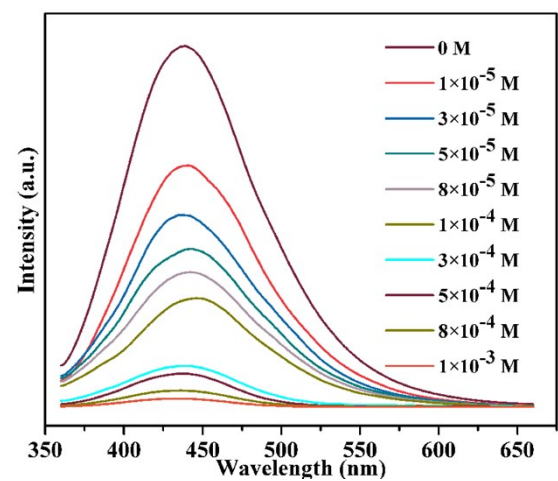


Fig. S16 Luminescence spectra of USTC-5 dispersed in various concentrations of MnO_4^- aqueous solutions.

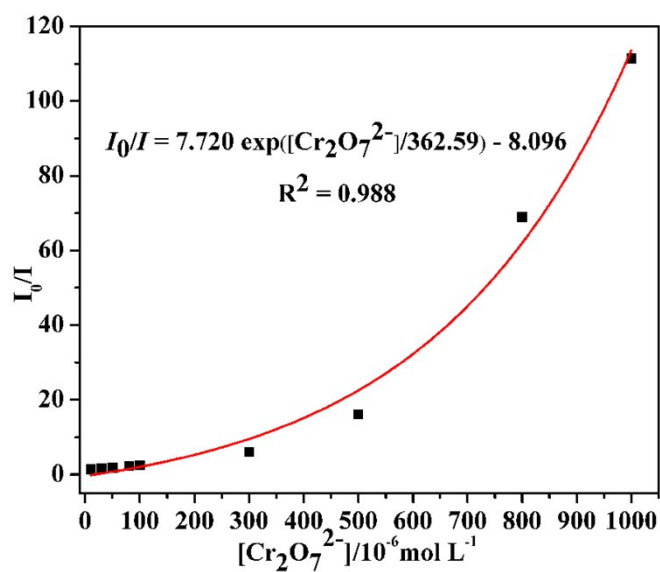


Fig. S17 Plot of I_0/I versus concentration of $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ ion aqueous solutions.

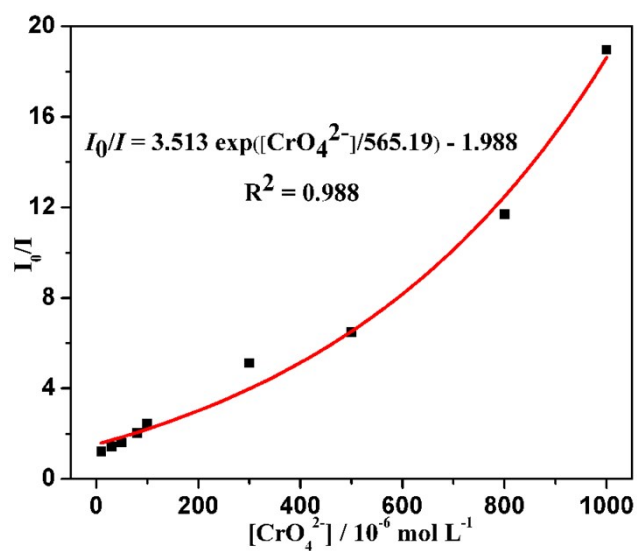


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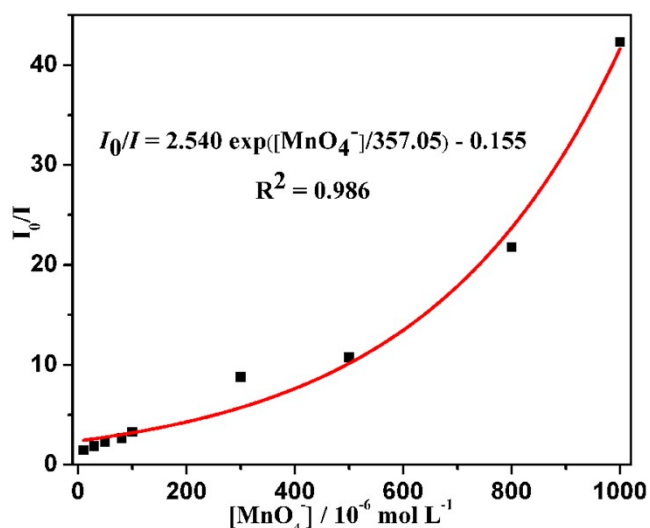


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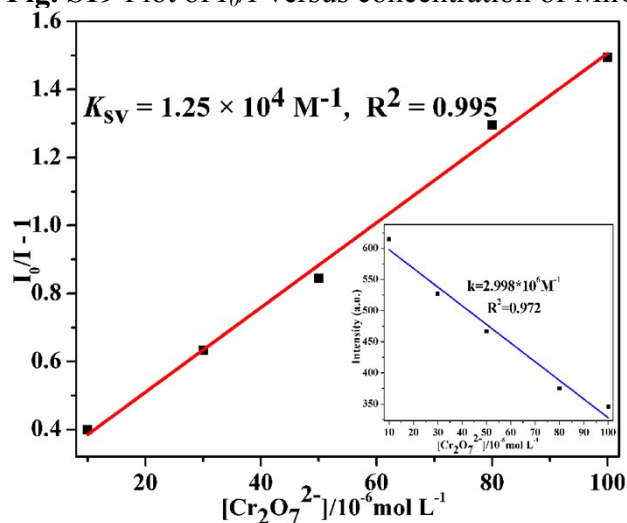


Fig. S20 Stern–Volmer plot of $I_0/I-1$ versus concentration of $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$ ion aqueous solutions. Inset: luminescent intensity versus concentration of $Cr_2O_7^{2-}$ ion aqueous solutions.

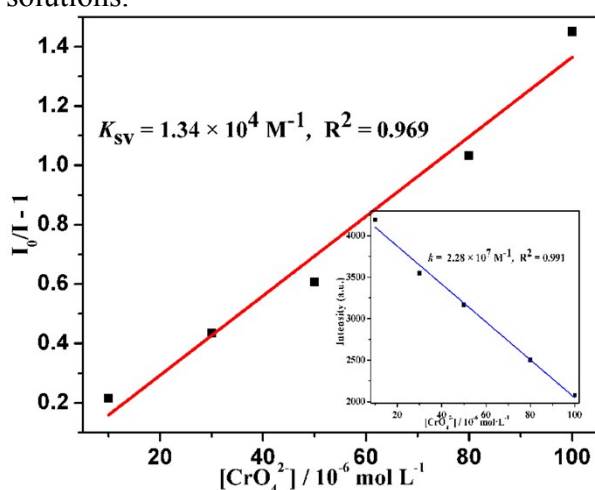


Fig. S21 Stern–Volmer plot of $I_0/I-1$ versus concentration of CrO_4^{2-} ion aqueous solutions. Inset: luminescent intensity versus concentration of CrO_4^{2-} ion aqueous solutions.

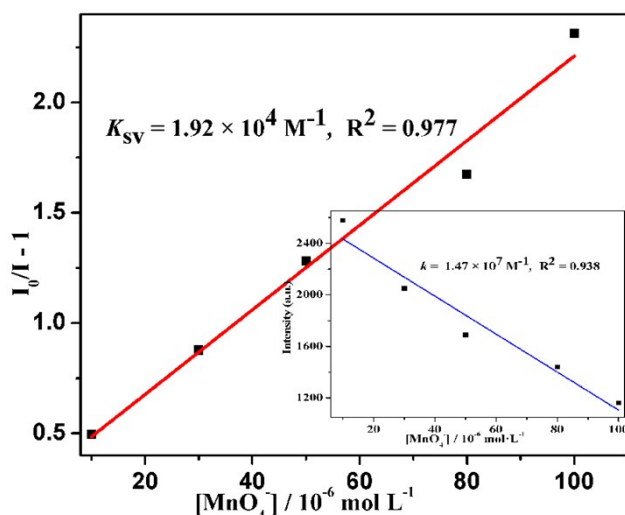


Fig. S22 Stern–Volmer plot of $I_0/I-1$ versus concentration of MnO_4^- ion aqueous solutions. Inset: luminescent intensity versus concentration of MnO_4^- ion aqueous solutions.

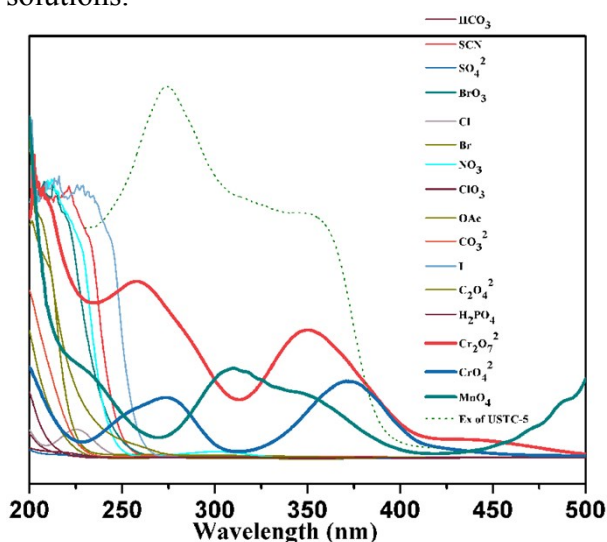


Fig. S23 UV-vis adsorption spectra of different K_yA aqueous solutions, and the excitation spectrum of USTC-5.

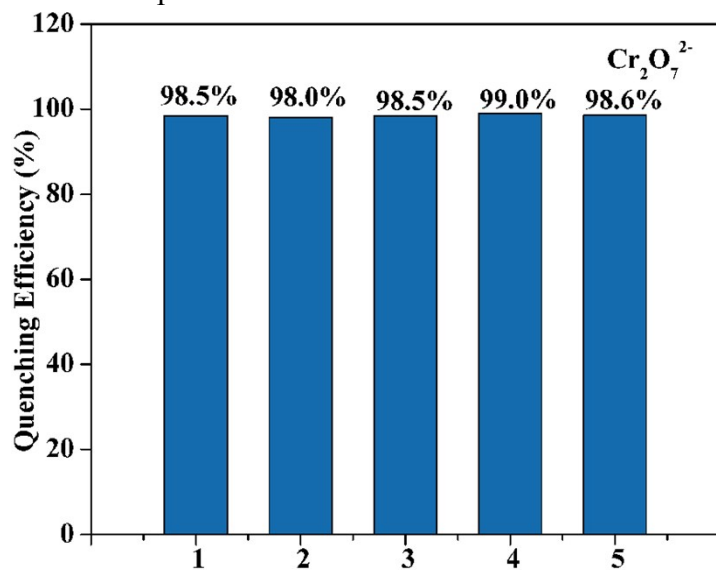


Fig. S24 Quenching efficiencies of USTC-5 in recyclable experiments for $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$.

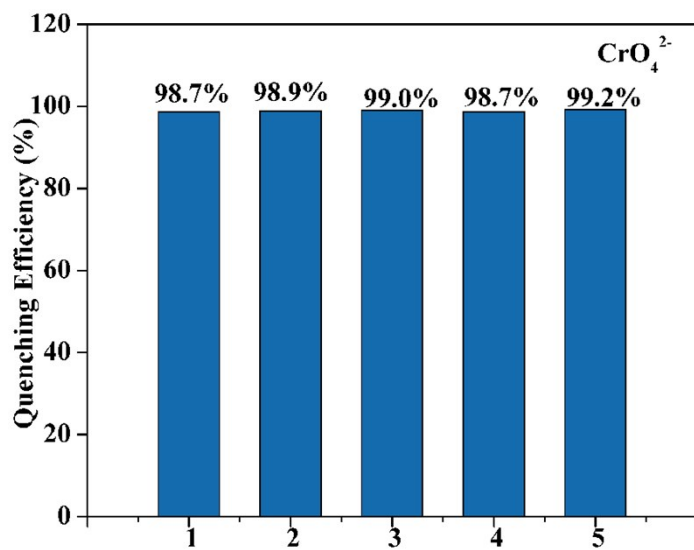


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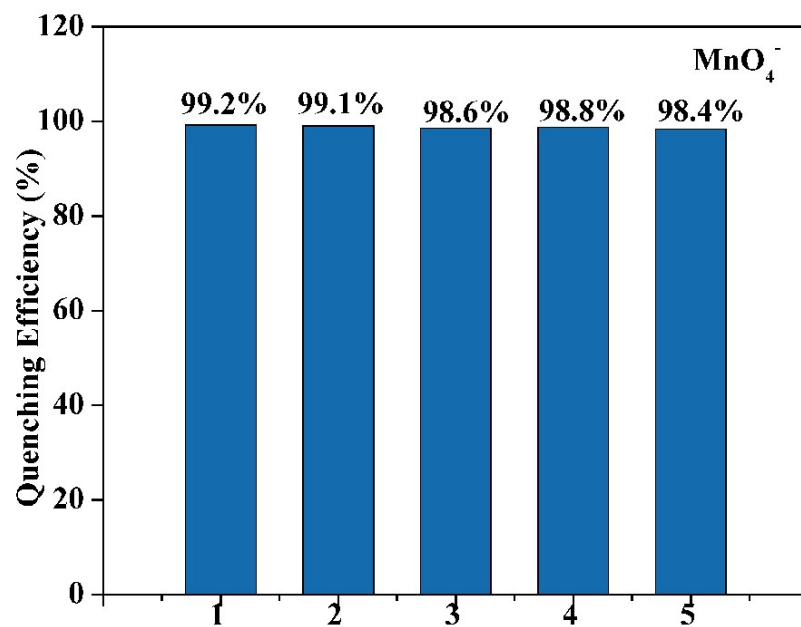


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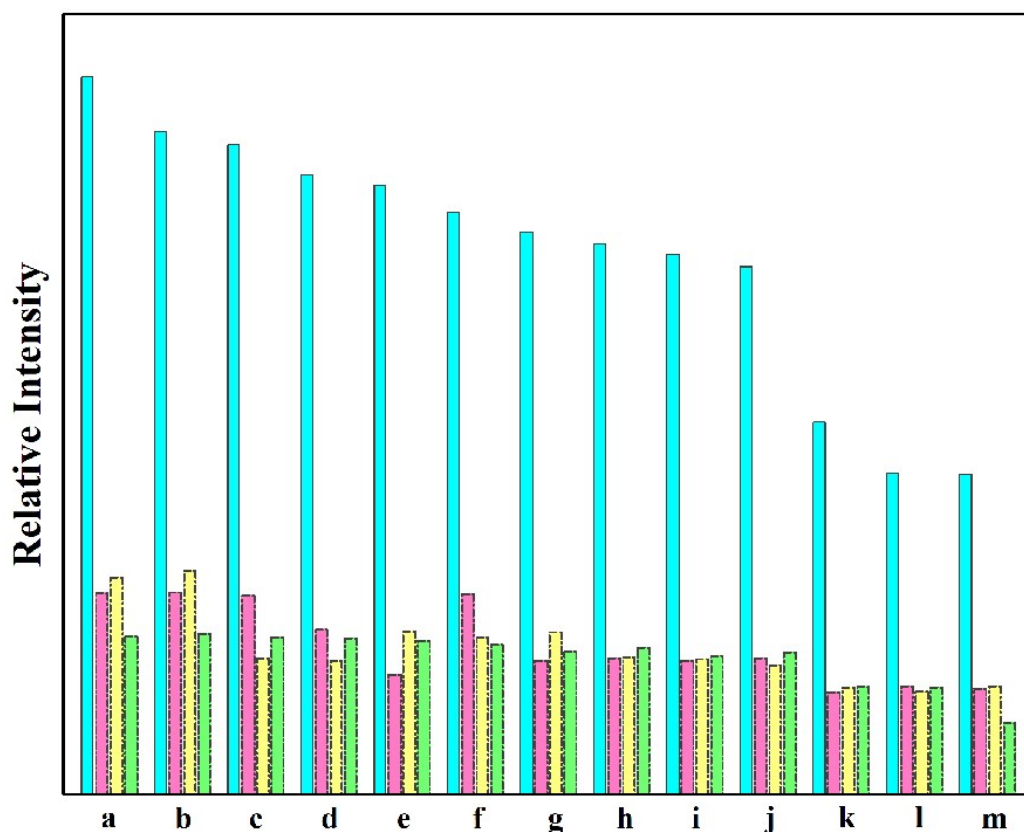


Fig. S27 The bar chart of luminescent intensities at maximum emission wavelength (*ca.* 436 nm) of USTC-5 suspended in 0.01 M interfering anion aqueous solutions (blue-green), and in the mixed aqueous solutions including 7.5×10^{-3} M interfering anion ion and 2.5×10^{-4} M $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ (pink)/ CrO_4^{2-} (yellow)/ MnO_4^- (green). The interfering anion ion: HCO_3^- (a), SCN^- (b), SO_4^{2-} (c), BrO_3^- (d), Cl^- (e), Br^- (f), NO_3^- (g), ClO_3^- (h), OAc^- (i), CO_3^{2-} (j), I^- (k), $\text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-}$ (l) or H_2PO_4^- (m).

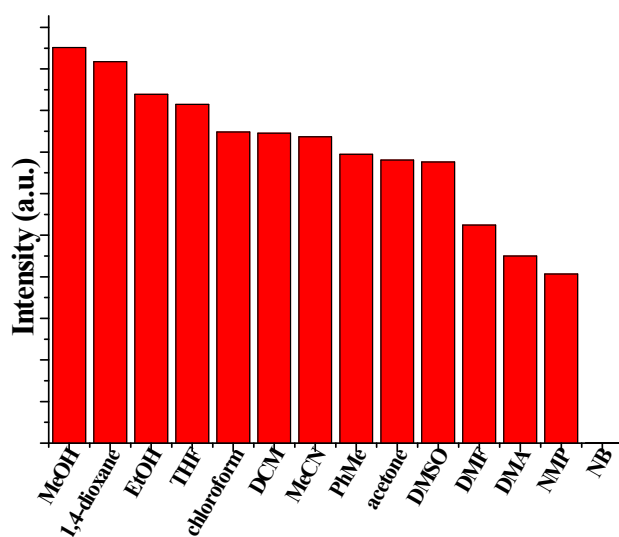


Fig. S28 The bar chart of luminescent intensities at corresponding maximum emission wavelength (407~443 nm) of USTC-5 suspended in different solvents.

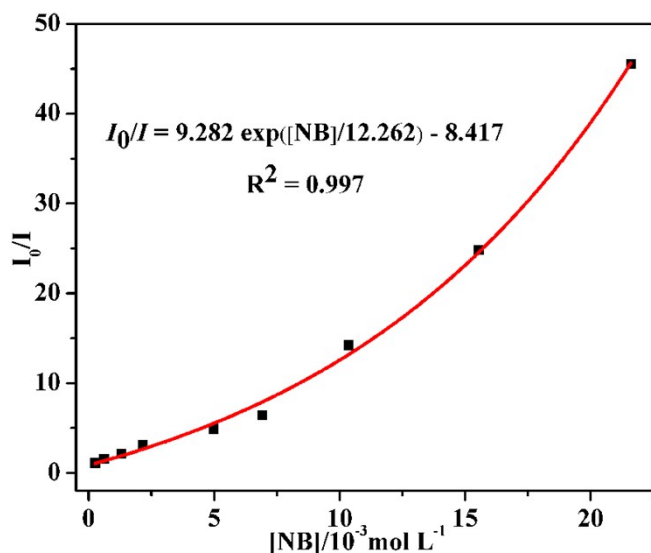


Fig. S29 Plot of I_0/I versus concentration of NB's DMF solutions.

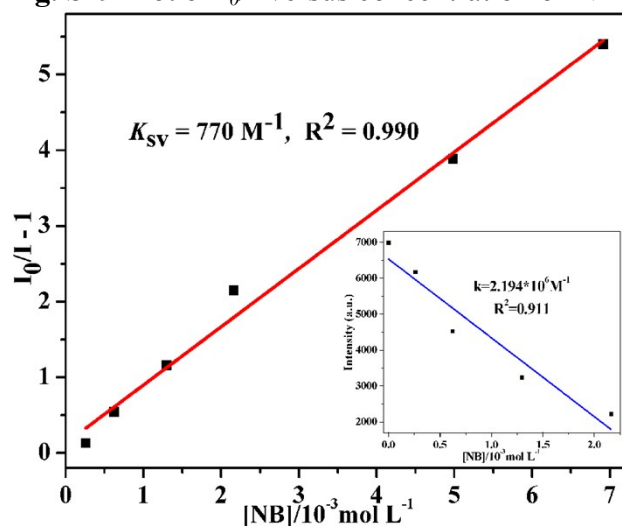


Fig. S30 Stern–Volmer plot of $I_0/I-1$ versus concentration of NB's DMF solutions. Inset: luminescent intensity versus concentration of NB molecule DMF solutions.

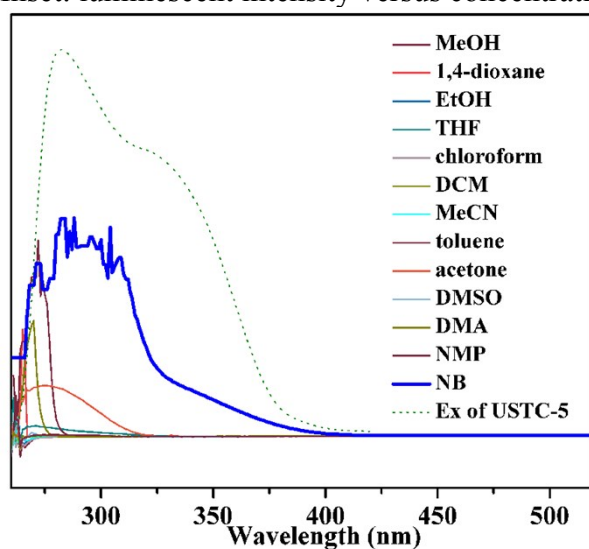


Fig. S31 UV-vis adsorption spectra of USTC-5 dispersed in different solvents, and the excitation spectrum of USTC-5.

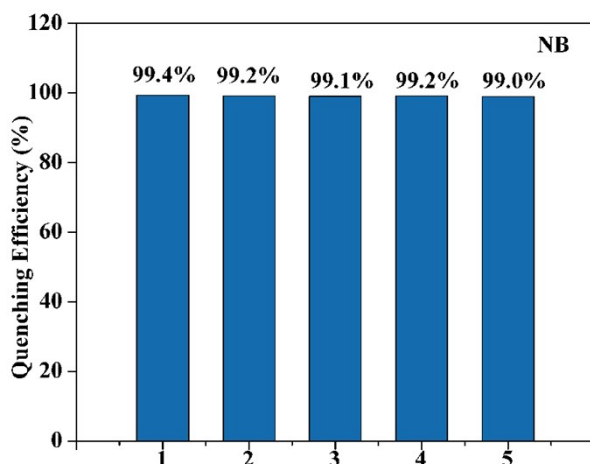


Fig. S32 Quenching efficiencies of USTC-5 in recyclable experiments for NB molecule.

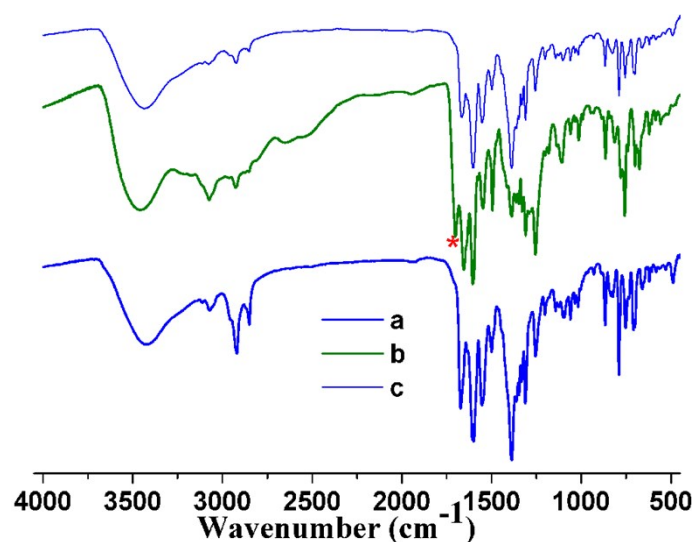


Fig. S33 IR absorption of USTC-5 (a), USTC-5 stimulated by HCl vapor (b), and then stimulated by NH₃ vapor (c). The “C=N⁺” stretching vibration of the protonated 2-chloroimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine rings is marked by asterisk.

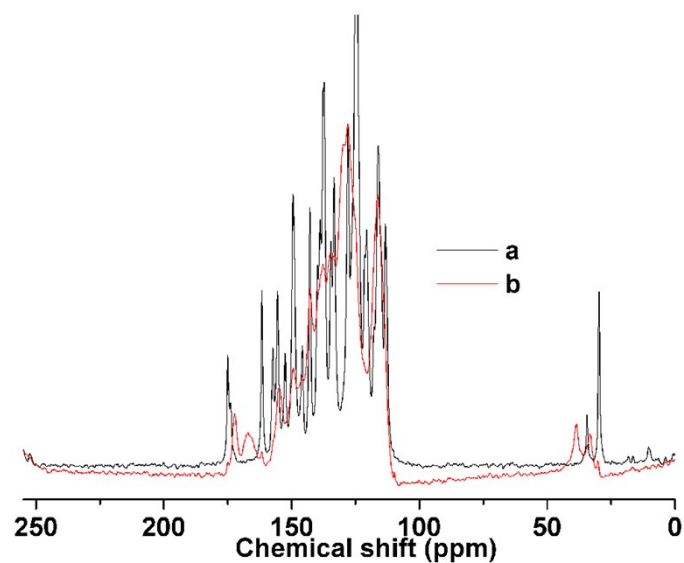


Fig. S34 ¹³C solid-state NMR spectra of USTC-5 (a) and HCl vapor-disposed USTC-

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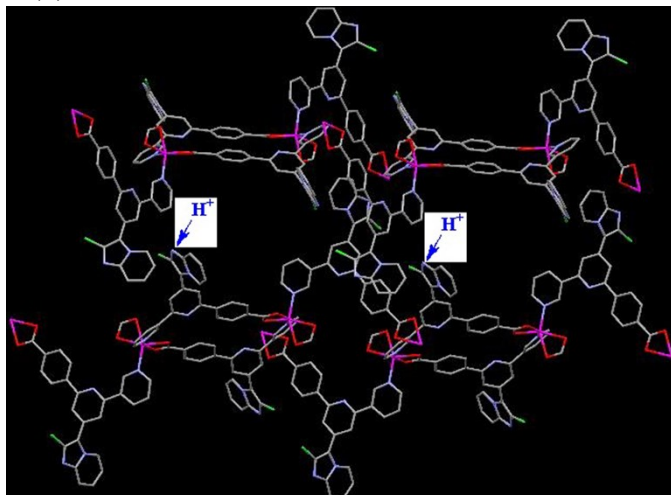


Fig. S35 The protonation of 2-chloroimidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine rings in USTC-5 by HCl vapor.

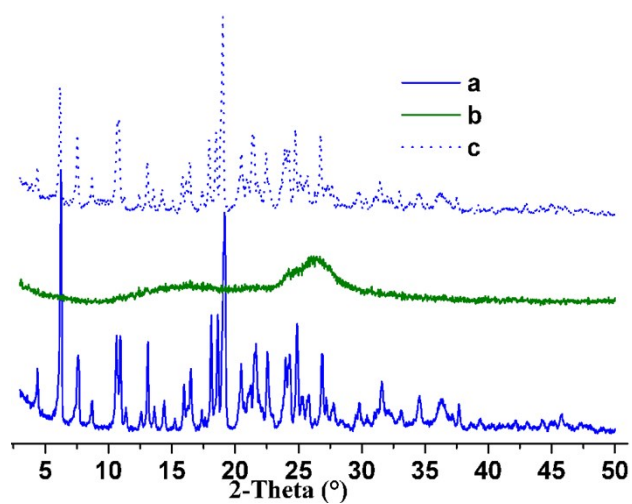


Fig. S36 PXRD patterns of USTC-5 (a), USTC-5 stimulated by HCl vapor (b), and then stimulated by NH₃ vapor (c).