

Supporting Information

Conversion of Nonporous Helical Cadmium Organic Framework to a Porous Form

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Materials and physical measurements: All reagents were commercially available and used without further purification. Infrared spectra were obtained from KBr pellets on a Bruker TENSOR 27 Fourier transformation infrared spectrometer in the 400-4000 cm⁻¹ region. Elemental analyses (C, H, N) were performed on a Perkin-Elmer 240 elemental analyzer. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) data were recorded on a Rigaku D/M-2200T automated diffractometer. The luminescent spectra for the solid state were recorded at room temperature on an Aminco Bowman Series 2 spectrofluorometer with a xenon arc lamp as the light source. In the measurements of emission and excitation spectra the pass width is 5.0 nm. Thermal analyses (under oxygenated atmosphere, heating rate of 5 °C/min) were carried out in a Labsys NETZSCH TG 209 Setaram apparatus.

Crystallographic Studies: X-ray diffraction data were collected on a Bruker Apex II diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) at 298 K. Absorption corrections were applied by using multiscan program SADABS. All

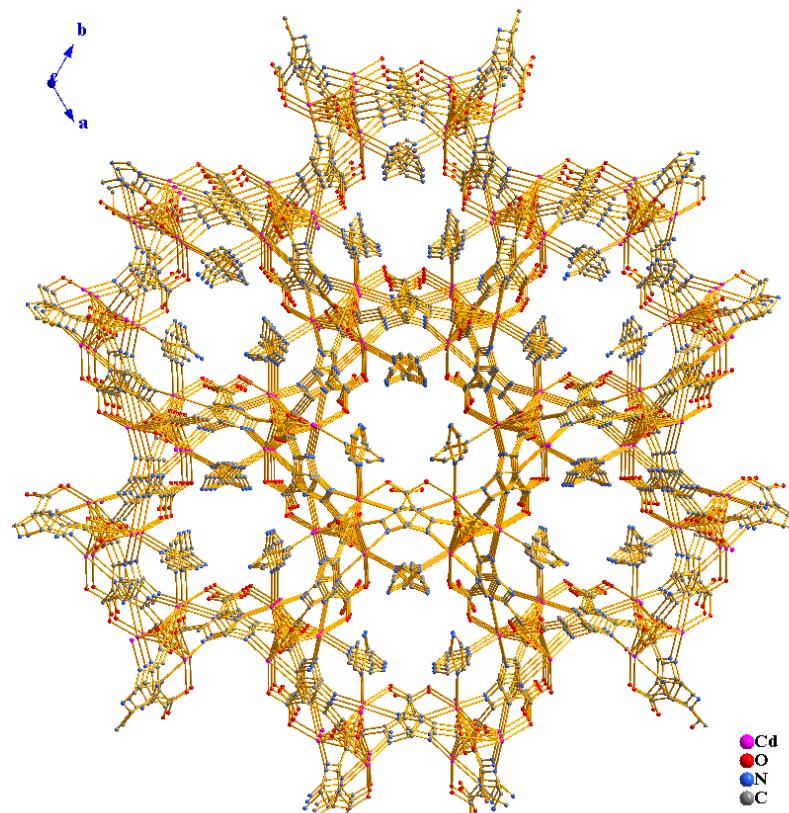
the structures were solved by direct methods and refined with full-matrix least-squares technique using SHELXTL. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. Hydrogen atoms on organic ligands were generated by the riding mode (C-H 0.96 Å), and hydrogen atoms on water molecules were located from difference maps.

Synthesis of compound [Cd(HImDC)(Im)]_n (1). A mixture of H₃ImDC (0.078 g, 0.50 mmol), Im (0.066 g, 1 mmol), and Cd(NO₃)₂ (0.122 g, 0.5 mmol), deionized water 10 mL were sealed in 20 mL Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel and heated to about 170 °C for 72 h, and then cooled to room temperature (at a rate of 0.5 °C min⁻¹). The pH values of the solution before and after reactions are ca. 6, respectively. The colorless crystals obtained were washed twice with Et₂O to give pure product with the formula C₈H₆CdN₄O₄ and dried in air. C, H, N analysis (%) for the compound: calcd: C 28.69, H 1.79, N 16.74; found: C 28.61, H 1.82, N 16.83. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν 3438 (br, m), 3168 (br, m), 3124 (w), 2952 (w), 2716 (w), 1672(m), 1541 (vs), 1491(vs), 1436 (s), 1328(m), 1256(s), 1111(m), 1070(s), 1009 (m), 941 (w), 873 (w), 840 (w), 786(w), 759(m), 658(m), 622(w), 526(w).

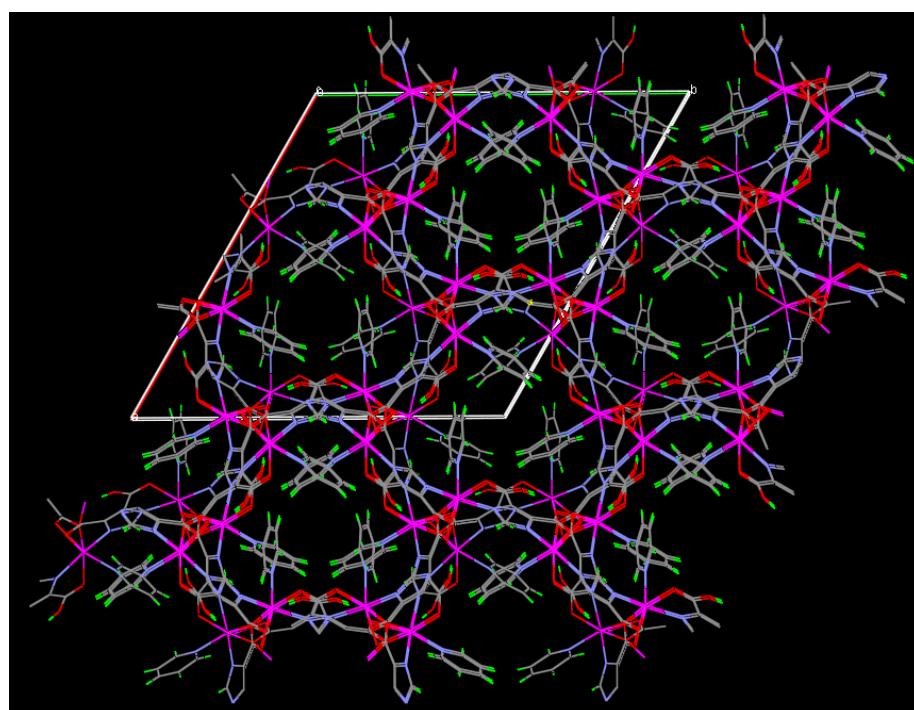
Synthesis of compound [Cd(HImDC)(Py)]_n (2). Similar to the method for the preparation of compound **1**, compound **2** can not be obtained. Accordingly, compound **2** was only synthesised by the colorless single crystals of compound **1** being immersed in pyridine under refluxing for 5 hours, during the process the crystals was gradually dissolved. When temperature decreased to room temperature at 10 °C h⁻¹ and pale yellow single crystals of **2** with the formula C₁₀H₇CdN₃O₄ were obtain and dried in air. C, H, N analysis (%) for the compound: calcd: C 34.72, H 2.03, N 12.15; found: C 34.63, H 2.11, N 12.23. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): ν 3448 (br, s), 2968 (br, s), 2334 (m), 1672(m), 1574 (vs), 1477(vs), 1379 (s), 1308(m), 1254 (m), 1238 (w), 1110(s), 999 (m), 945 (w), 862(m), 829 (w), 814 (w), 793 (w), 783(m), 663(m), 521(w), 491 (w).

Figure S1 A view of 3D metal-organic open framework in compound $[Cd(HImDC)(Im)]_n$ in ab plane for **1** (a) and **2** (b), respectively. (c) A 8^3 topology of the three-connected network of the complex $[Cd(HImDC)(Im)]_n$ viewed along the a axis.

(a)



(b)



(c)

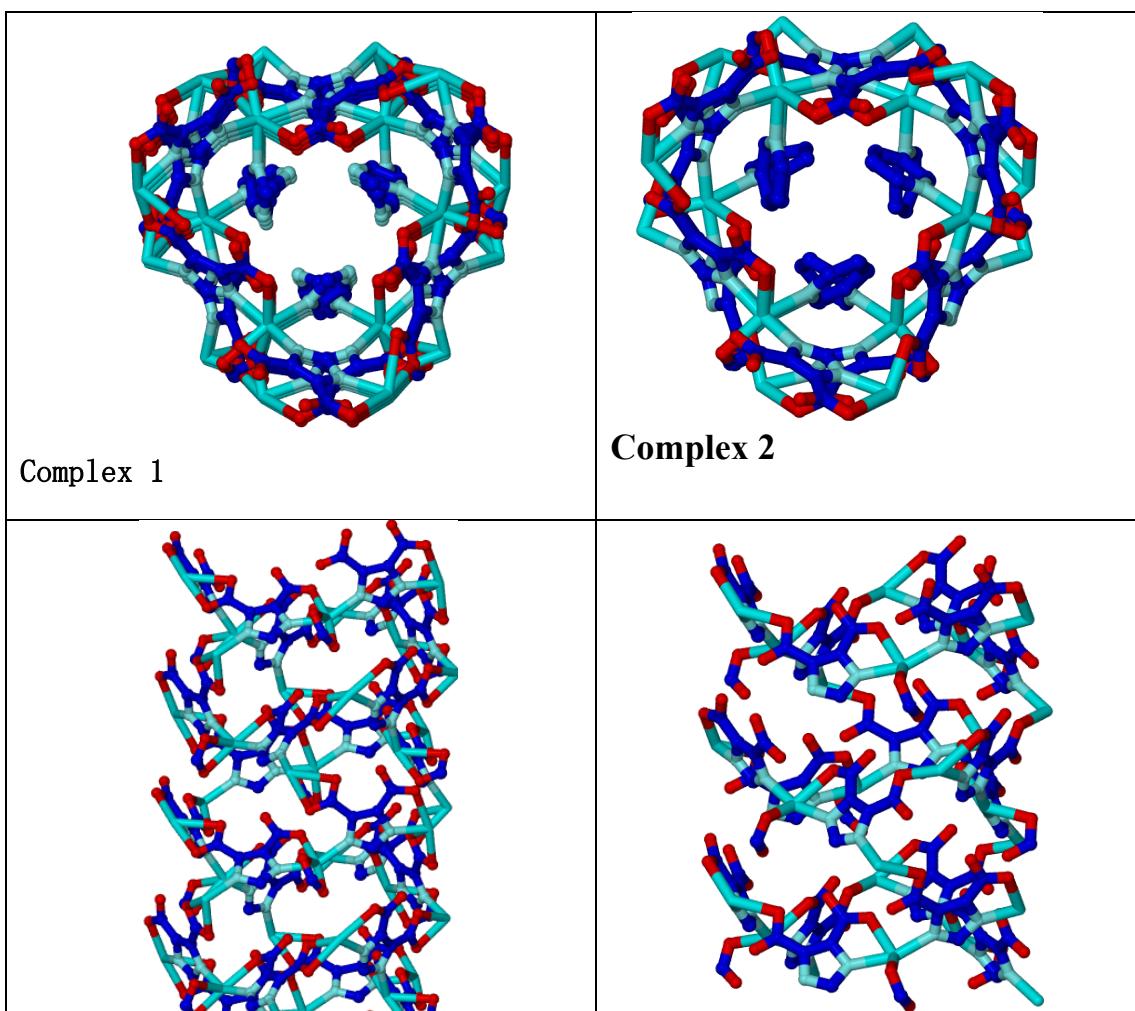
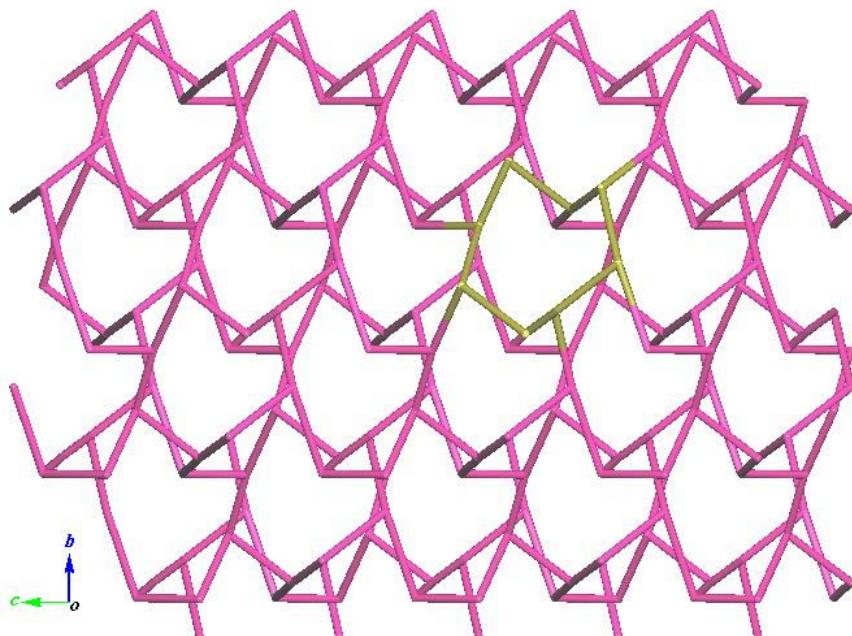


Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for compounds **1** and **2**.

| Complex | 1 | 2 |
|--|--|---|
| Empirical formula | C ₈ H ₆ N ₄ O ₄ Cd | C ₁₀ H ₇ N ₃ O ₄ Cd |
| Formula weight | 334.57 | 345.59 |
| Temperature | 298(2) K | 298(2) K |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system | Trigonal | Trigonal |
| Space group | <i>R</i> 3 <i>c</i> | <i>R</i> 3 <i>c</i> |
| Unit cell dimensions | | |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 20.6556(6) | 21.1266(16) |
| <i>b</i> (Å) | 20.6556(6) | 21.1266(16) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 13.3915(7) | 13.967(2) |
| α (°) | 90 | 90 |
| β (°) | 90 | 90 |
| γ (°) | 120 | 120 |
| <i>V</i> (Å ³) | 4948.1(3) | 5398.9(10) |
| <i>Z</i> | 18 | 18 |
| ρ (cald.) (mg m ⁻³) | 2.021 | 1.913 |
| μ (m ⁻¹) | 1.995 | 1.830 |
| <i>F</i> (000) | 2916 | 3024 |
| Crystal size (mm) | 0.26 × 0.22 × 0.15 | 0.22 × 0.16 × 0.11 |
| θ range for data collection (°) | 1.97 to 25.48 | 1.93 to 25.16 |
| <i>h/k/l</i> (max, min) | -21,24/-24,18/-16,12 | -24,14/-24,25/-16,16 |
| Reflections collected | 8347 | 8802 |
| Unique | 1913[R(int) = 0.0283] | 2151[R(int) = 0.0235] |
| Completeness to θ = 27.13 | 100 % | 100 % |
| Absorption correction | empirical | empirical |
| Max. and min. transmission | full-matrix least-squares on F ² | full-matrix least-squares on F ² |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 1913 / 1 / 155 | 2151 / 1 / 164 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F ² | 1.048 | 1.043 |
| Final <i>R</i> 1 ^a , <i>wR</i> 2 ^b indices | 0.0180, 0.0373 | 0.0168, 0.0407 |
| [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)] | | |
| <i>R</i> 1, <i>wR</i> 2 indices (all data) | 0.0196, 0.0380 | 0.0177, 0.0413 |
| Largest diff. Peak and hole (e Å ⁻³) | 0.326/ -0.209 | 0.256/-0.481 |

^a $R = \sum |F_o| - |F_c| / \sum |F_o|$. ^b $wR = [\sum w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$. $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0214P)^2 + 4.1856P]$ for **1** and $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0213P)^2 + 3.8889P]$ for **2**, where $P = (F_o^2 + 2|F_c|^2)/3$.

Table S2. Selected atomic distances (\AA) and bond angles ($^\circ$) for compounds **1** and **2^a**.

| 1 | | | |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| Cd(1)-N(2)#1 | 2.180(3) | N(1)-Cd(1)-N(3) | 102.63(13) |
| Cd(1)-N(1) | 2.191(3) | N(2)#1-Cd(1)-O(4)#2 | 101.66(12) |
| Cd(1)-N(3) | 2.295(4) | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(4)#2 | 99.28(12) |
| Cd(1)-O(4)#2 | 2.404(3) | N(3)-Cd(1)-O(4)#2 | 95.21(12) |
| Cd(1)-O(3)#2 | 2.553(3) | N(2)#1-Cd(1)-O(3)#2 | 97.26(12) |
| Cd(1)-O(1) | 2.576(3) | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(3)#2 | 80.99(12) |
| N(2)#1-Cd(1)-N(1) | 151.89(12) | N(3)-Cd(1)-O(3)#2 | 147.14(12) |
| N(2)#1-Cd(1)-N(3) | 93.96(14) | O(4)#2-Cd(1)-O(3)#2 | 52.29(11) |
| N(2)#1-Cd(1)-O(1) | 88.58(11) | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(1) | 68.87(11) |
| N(3)-Cd(1)-O(1) | 90.86(12) | O(4)#2-Cd(1)-O(1) | 167.68(10) |
| O(3)#2-Cd(1)-O(1) | 120.12(11) | | |
| 2 | | | |
| Cd(1)-N(2)#3 | 2.205(2) | N(2)#3-Cd(1)-N(1) | 161.61(9) |
| Cd(1)-N(1) | 2.221(2) | N(2)#3-Cd(1)-O(3)#4 | 100.67(9) |
| Cd(1)-N(3) | 2.363(3) | N(1)-Cd(1)-O(3)#4 | 86.43(9) |
| Cd(1)-O(3)#4 | 2.322(2) | N(2)#3-Cd(1)-N(3) | 88.13(9) |
| Cd(1)-O(1) | 2.526(3) | N(1)-Cd(1)-N(3) | 98.28(9) |
| N(2)#3-Cd(1)-O(1) | 93.26(9) | O(3)#4-Cd(1)-N(3) | 136.94(10) |
| N(1)-Cd(1)-O(1) | 69.73(8) | O(3)#4-Cd(1)-O(1) | 131.40(9) |
| N(3)-Cd(1)-O(1) | 89.35(10) | | |

^aSymmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x-1/3,x+y+1/3,z-1/6; #2 -y+4/3,-x+5/3,z+1/6; #3 -y+1/3,-x+2/3,z+1/6; #4 x-1/3,x-y-2/3,z-1/6.

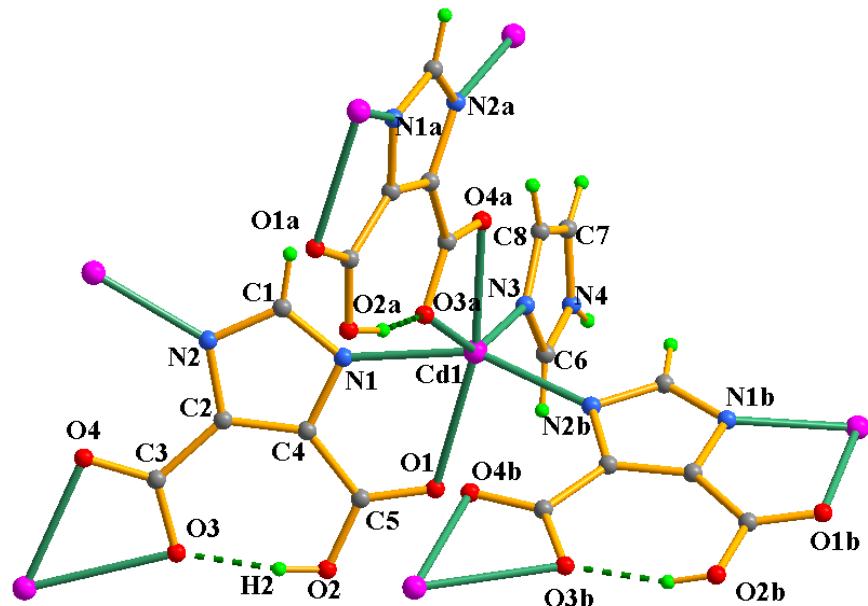
Table S3 Distances (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) of hydrogen bonds for the compounds **1-2**.

| D-H…A | d(H…A) | d(D…A) | \square D-H…A |
|------------------|----------|----------|-----------------|
| 1 | | | |
| O(2)-H(2)…O(3) | 1.702(2) | 2.485(5) | 159(6) |
| N(4)-H(7)…O(1)#1 | 1.978(2) | 2.833(4) | 173(6) |
| 2 | | | |
| O(2)-H(2)…O(3) | 1.720(2) | 2.523(3) | 164(5) |
| O1W-H1W…O1W#2 | 2.163(2) | 2.774(3) | 132(6) |

*Symmetry transformation used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 $-y+1,-x+1,-z+1/2$; #2 $y+1/4,-x+1/4,z+1/4$.

Figure S2. The coordination environments of Cd1 in two compounds **1** and **2** with symmetric codes: a) $5/3-x, 4/3-y, 1/6+z$; b) $-1/3+x, 1/3+x-y, -1/6+z$; c) $-1/3+x, -2/3+x-y, -1/6+z$; d) $-1/3-y, 2/3-x, 1/6+z$; e) $2/3-x+y, 1/3-x, 1/3+z$; f) $2/3-y, 1/3-x, -1/6+z$; g) $1/3+x, -1/3+x-y, 1/6+z$; h) $1/3-x, -1/3+x-y, -1/3+z$.

(a)



(b)

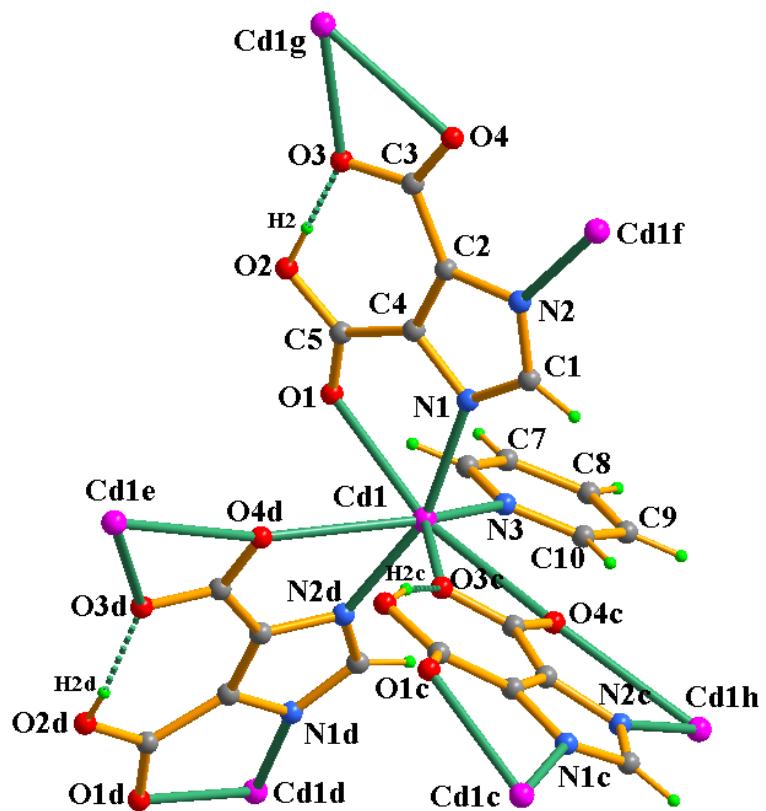


Figure S3. The new coordination mode (μ^3 -) of the ligand HImDC²⁻ in compounds **1** and **2**.

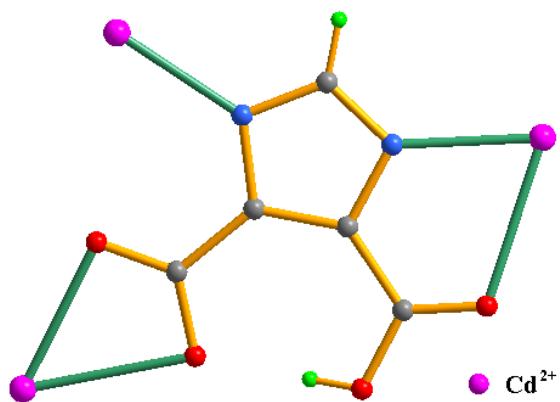
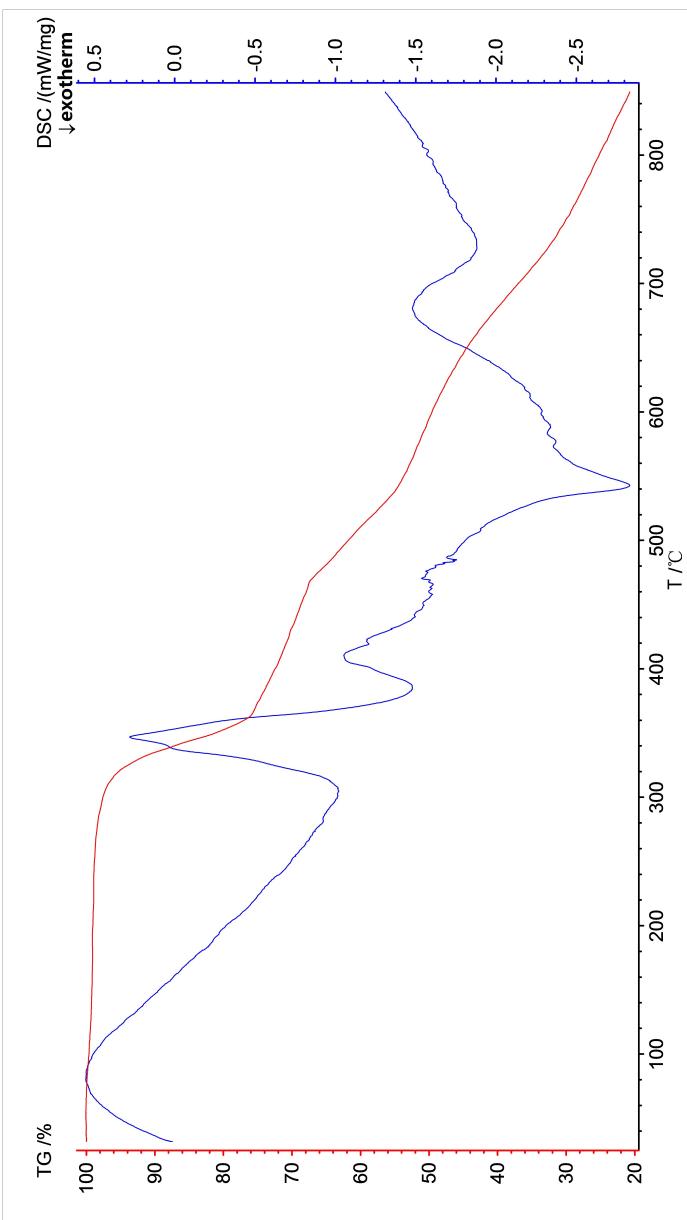


Figure S4. The TG and DSC curves of two compounds: (a) for **1** and (b) for **2**.

(a)



(b)

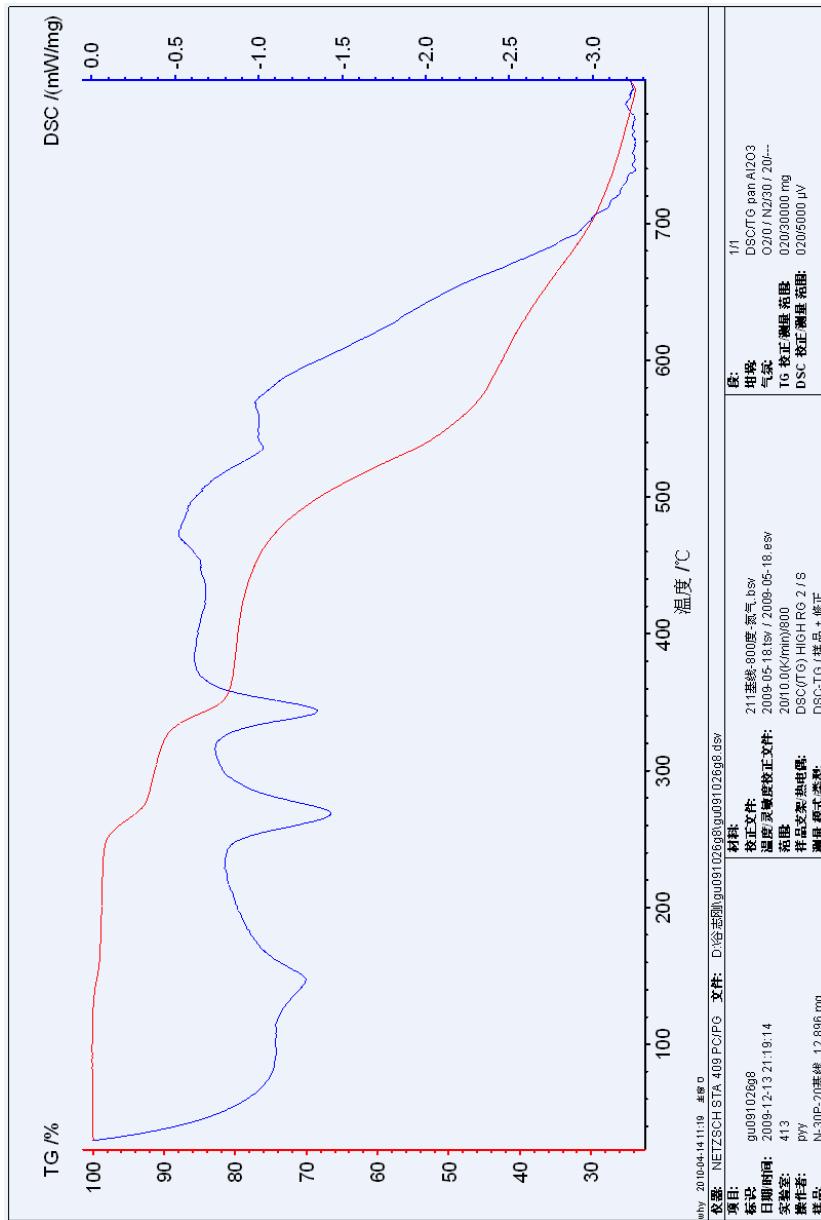
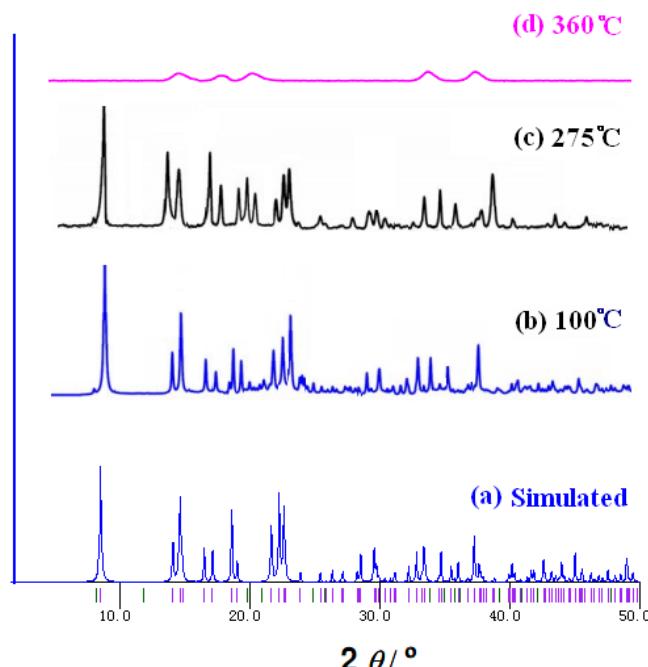


Figure S5. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns for complexes **1** and **2** collected at different temperatures.

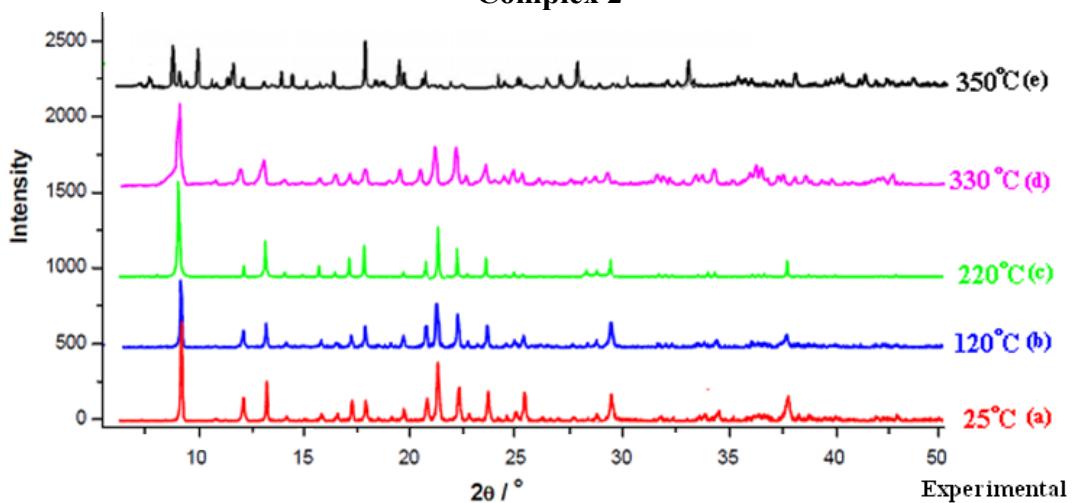
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for complex **2**: (a) 25 °C; (b) 120 °C; (c) 220 °C; (d) 330 °C; (e) 350 °C and simulated at the bottom.

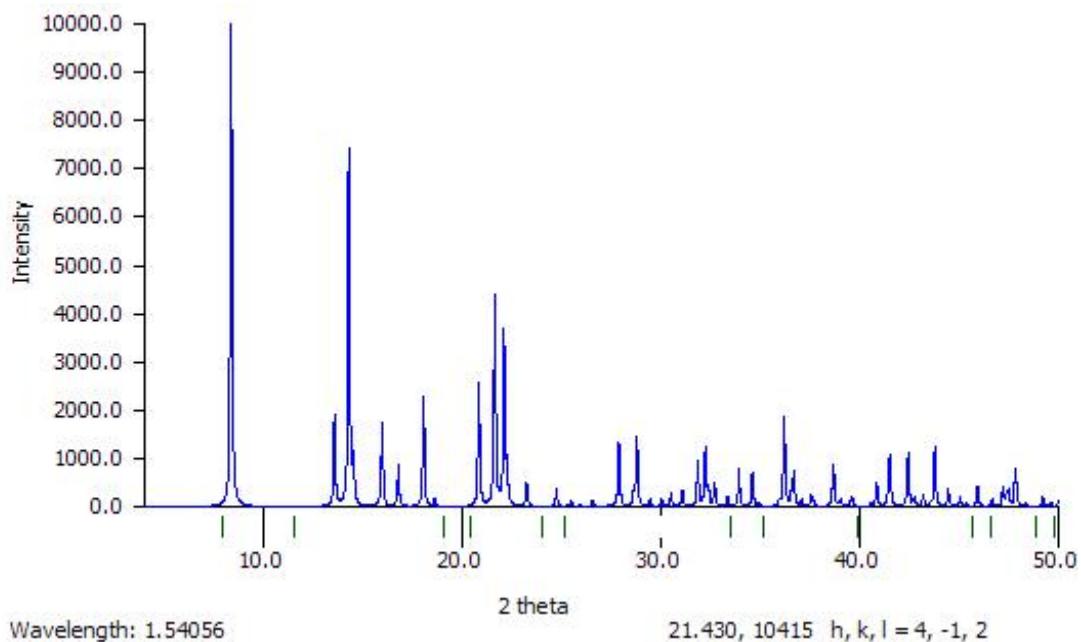
Complex 1



Complex 2



Complex 2 simulated



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| Mr | 334.58 | 334.57 |
| D _x , g cm ⁻³ | 2.021 | 2.021 |
| Z | 18 | 18 |
| μ (mm ⁻¹) | 1.995 | 1.995 |
| F000 | 2916.0 | 2916.0 |
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Crystallographic Data

Crystal data: For **1**, 298(2) K, rhombohedral $R\bar{3}c$, $a = 20.6556(6)$ Å, $b = 20.6556(6)$ Å, $c = 13.3915(7)$ Å, $\gamma=120^\circ$, $V = 4948.1(3)$ Å³, $Z = 18$, $D_c = 2.021$ Mg/m³, final $R_1 = 0.0204$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$], $wR_2 = 0.0467$ (all data), $S = 1.082$. For **2**, 298(2) K, rhombohedral $R\bar{3}c$, $a = 21.1266(16)$ Å, $b = 21.1266(16)$ Å, $c = 13.967(2)$ Å, $\gamma=120^\circ$, $V = 5398.9(10)$ Å³, $Z = 18$, $D_c = 1.913$ Mg/m³, final $R_1 = 0.0168$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$], $wR_2 = 0.0407$ (all data), $S = 1.043$. CCDC-717400 and-773501 for **1** and **2** contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper.