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A microporous metal-organic framework with FeS₂ topology based on [Zn₆(μ₆-O)] cluster for reversible sensing of small molecules

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Experimental Details

The luminescent spectra were recorded on WGY-10 spectrometer. IR absorption spectra of the complexes were recorded in the range of 400–4000 cm^{-1} on a Nicolet (Impact 410) spectrometer with KBr pellets (5 mg of sample in 500 mg of KBr). C, H, and N analyses were carried out with a Perkin–Elmer 240C elemental analyzer. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) measurements were performed on a Bruker D8 Advance X-ray diffractometer using Cu–K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5418$ Å), in which the X-ray tube was operated at 40 kV and 40 mA. Solid-state UV–vis diffuse reflectance spectra was obtained at room temperature using a Shimadzu UV-3600 double monochromator spectrophotometer, and BaSO₄ was used as a 100% reflectance standard for all materials. Luminescent spectra were recorded with a SHIMADZU VF-320 X-ray fluorescence spectrophotometer at room temperature. The emission decay lifetimes were measured on Edinburgh instruments FLS920 fluorescence spectrometer. The as-synthesized samples were characterized by thermogravimetric

analysis (TGA) on a Perkin Elmer thermogravimetric analyzer Pyris 1 TGA up to 1023 K using a heating rate of 10 K min⁻¹ under N₂ atmosphere.

The vapor fluorescence quenching experiments by THF, methanol and ethanol were monitored following a similar method.^{1,2}

Synthesis

A mixture of Zn(NO₃)₂·6H₂O (33.4 mg, 0.1 mmol), TCOPM (37.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) was dissolved in 8 mL solution of DMF/H₂O (3:1, v/v) containing 1,4-bis(5-tetrazolyl)benzene. The final mixture was placed in a Parr Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel (10 mL) under autogenous pressure and heated at 85 °C for 3 d, then cooled down to the room temperature at 1 °C/min. A large quantity of pinky crystals [Zn₁₂(μ₆-O)₂(TCOPM)₄]·3H₂O·8NO₃·8DMF (**1**⊃DMF) were obtained, which were washed with mother liquid, and dried under ambient conditions (Yield: 49% based on Zn). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁₁H₁₁₄N₁₆O₆₁Zn₁₂: C, 38.83, H, 3.34, N, 6.52; found: C, 39.07, H, 3.15, N, 6.41. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3414(w), 3115(w), 2960(s), 1655(s), 1589(s), 1533(s), 1396(s), 1255(m), 1183(s), 1100(w), 839(w), 779(w), 665(m), 524(s). **1**⊃DMF was dipped in toluene, **1**⊃toluene was isolated. The activated **1**⊃DMF was obtained by heating **1**⊃DMF at 220 °C overnight under vacuum.

Gas adsorption of **1**⊃DMF

Gas adsorption measurements were performed using an ASAP 2020 M gas adsorption analyzer. UHP-grade gases were used in measurements. The hydrogen sorption isotherms were collected in the pressure range from 10⁻⁴ to 850 mmHg at 77 K in a liquid nitrogen bath. The gas sorption experiments of CO₂ and CH₄ at 273 K was carried out in an ice-water bath. The activated **1**⊃DM can be achieved by outgassing the sample at 220 °C overnight under vacuum. 70.5 mg activated ample was used for all gas adsorption measurements.

Synthesis of Na₃(TCOPM):

H₃TCOPM (2 mmol) was added to H₂O (8 ml) to form an aqueous solution, which

was then neutralized by NaOH (3 ml, 2M). The resulting solution was heated, and Na₃(TCOPM) was separated out as a solid precipitate.

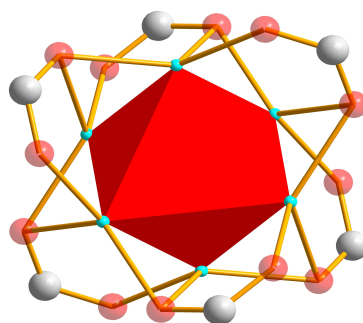
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Table 1. Crystallographic data and structure refinement details for **1** ⊃ DMF and **1** ⊃ toluene.

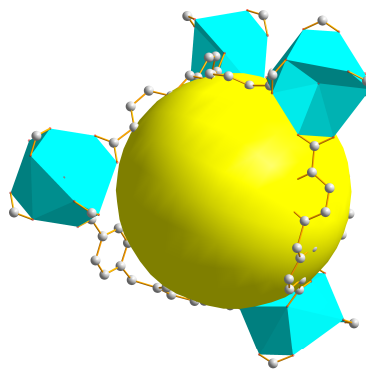
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formula weight	2860.35	2859.99
crystal system	cubic	cubic
space group	<i>Ia</i> $\bar{3}$	<i>Ia</i> $\bar{3}$
<i>a</i> (Å)	22.5150(9)	22.5597(12)
<i>b</i> (Å)	22.5150(9)	22.5597(12)
<i>c</i> (Å)	22.5150(9)	22.5597(12)
α (deg)	90	90
β (deg)	90	90
γ (deg)	90	90
<i>Z</i>	4	4
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	11413.4(14)	11481.5(11)
D _{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.665	1.655
μ (Mo K α)(mm ⁻¹)	2.567	2.552
<i>F</i> (000)	5704.0	5704.0
<i>R</i> (int)	0.0844	0.0362
observed data [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	1873	1620
R1,wR2 (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	0.0398/0.1123	0.0351/0.0869
<i>S</i>	1.036	1.062



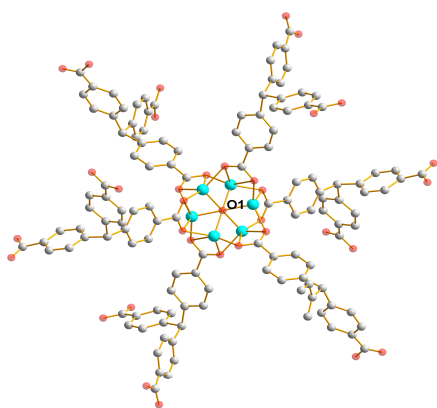
(a)



(b)



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(d)



(e)

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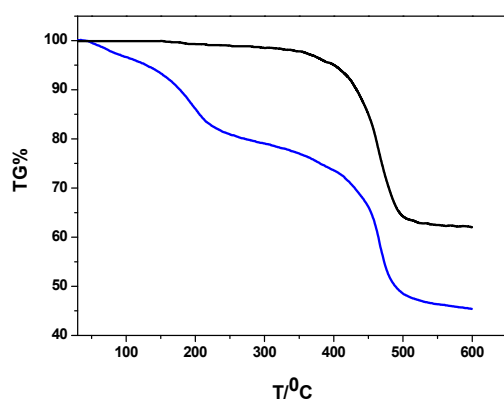


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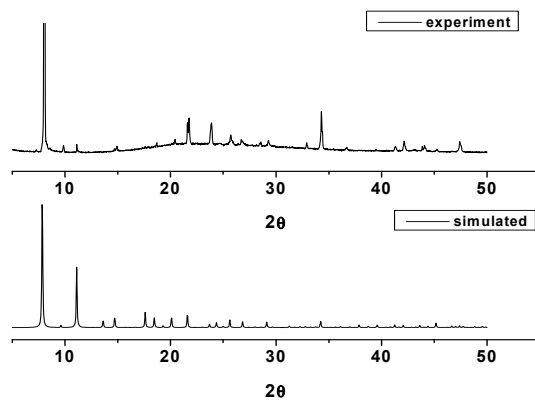


Figure S3. Powder x-ray diffraction patterns of simulated and 1D DMF.

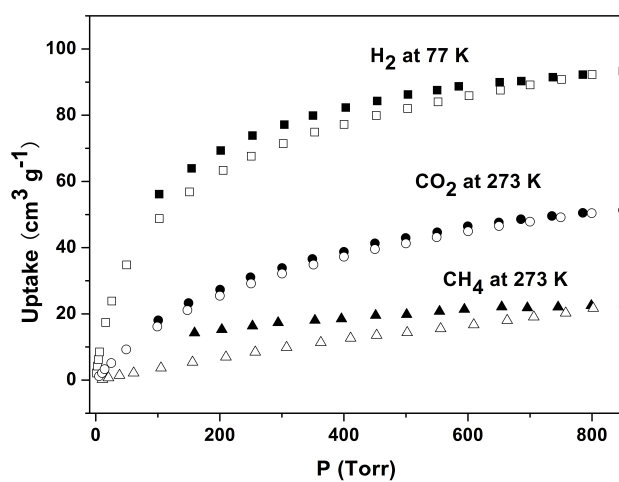
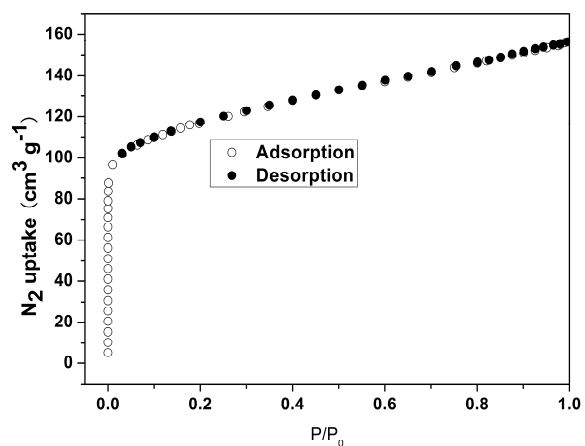


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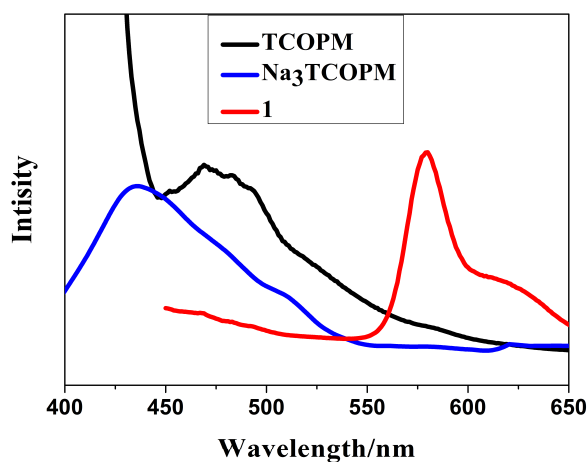


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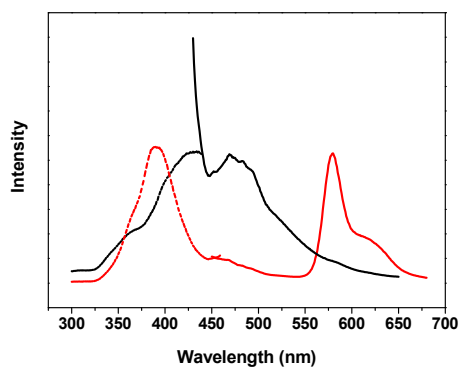


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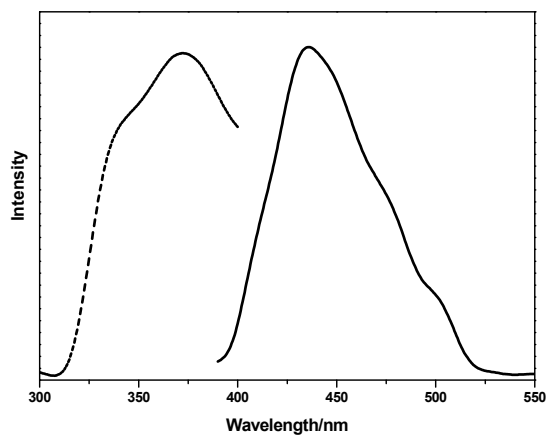


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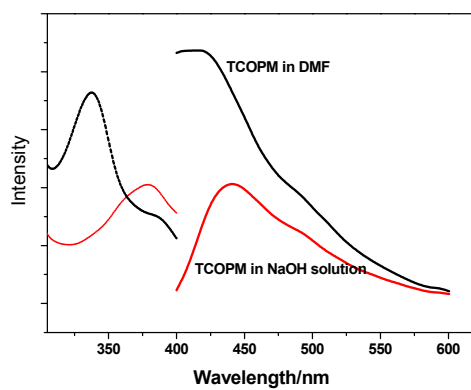


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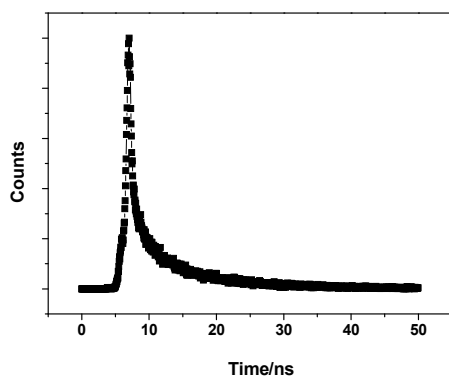


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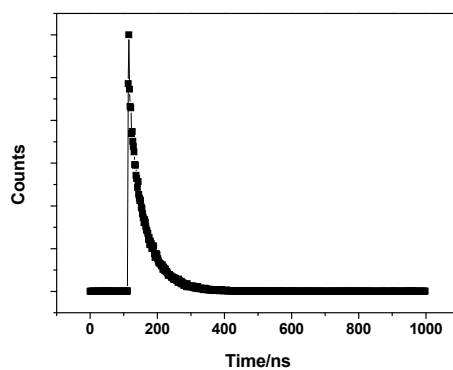


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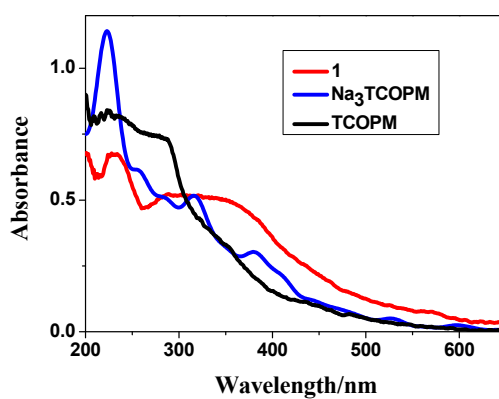


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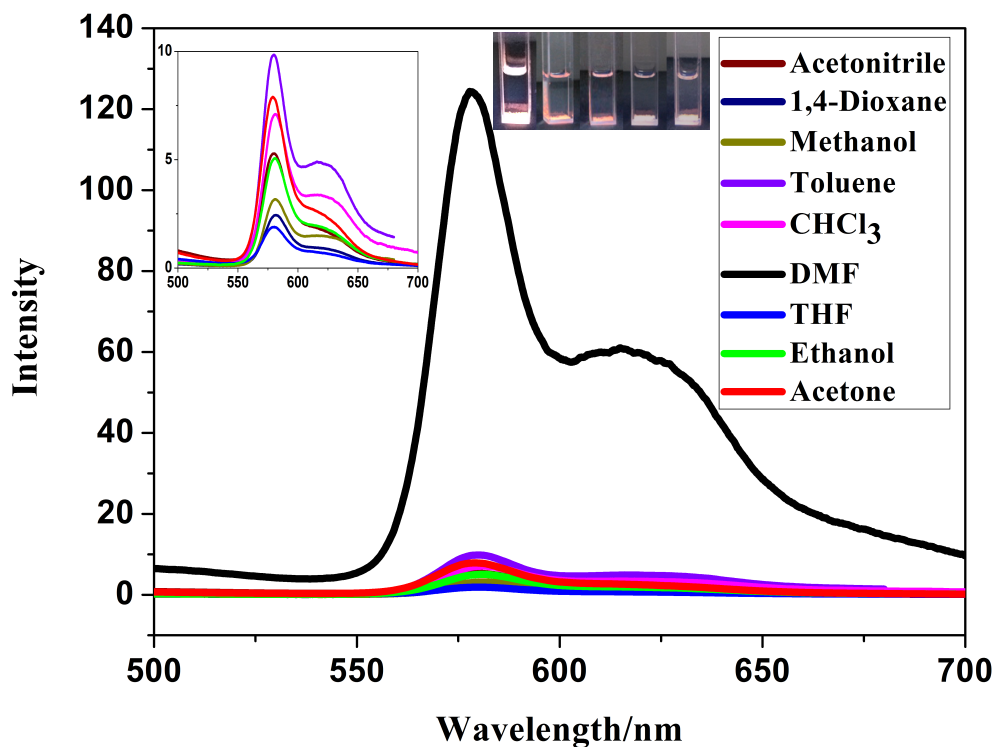


Figure S12. The PL spectra of **1** introduced to various pure solvent when excited at 390 nm and the photo of the PL: toluene, CHCl_3 , methanol, THF from left to right under UV light at 365 nm. (The inset shows and the PL spectra of **1** in DMF, toluene, CHCl_3 , methanol, THF solvents).

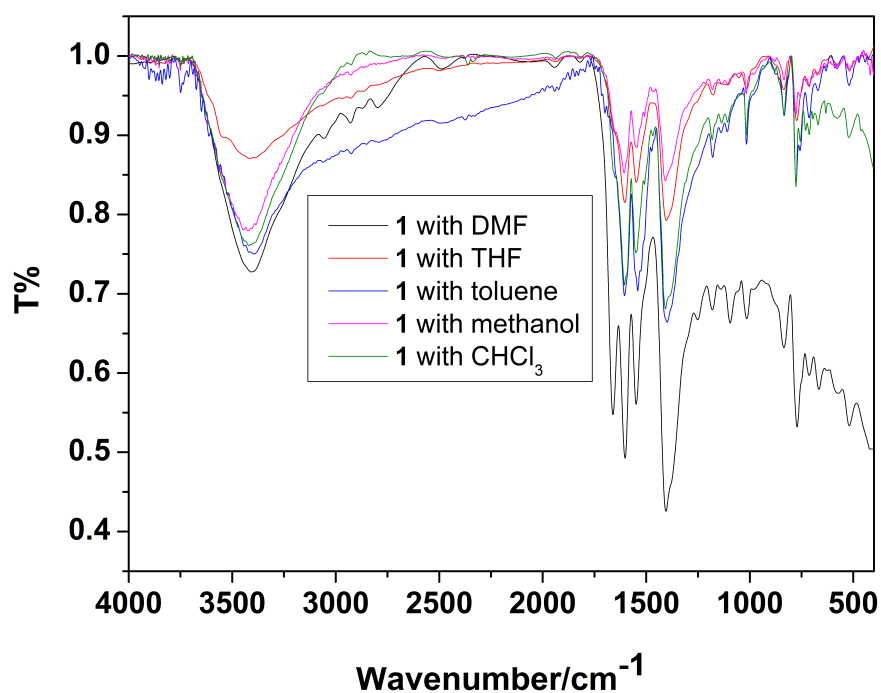
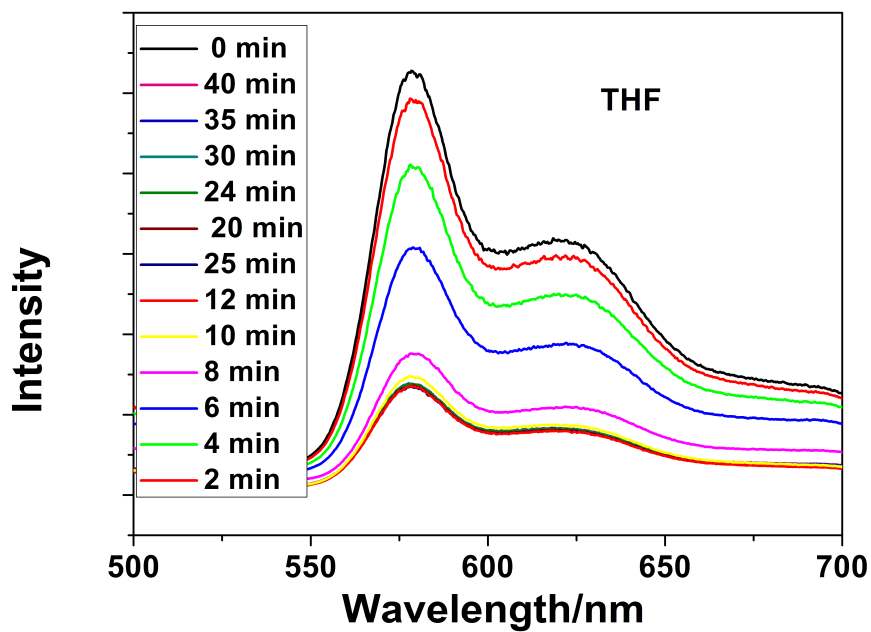
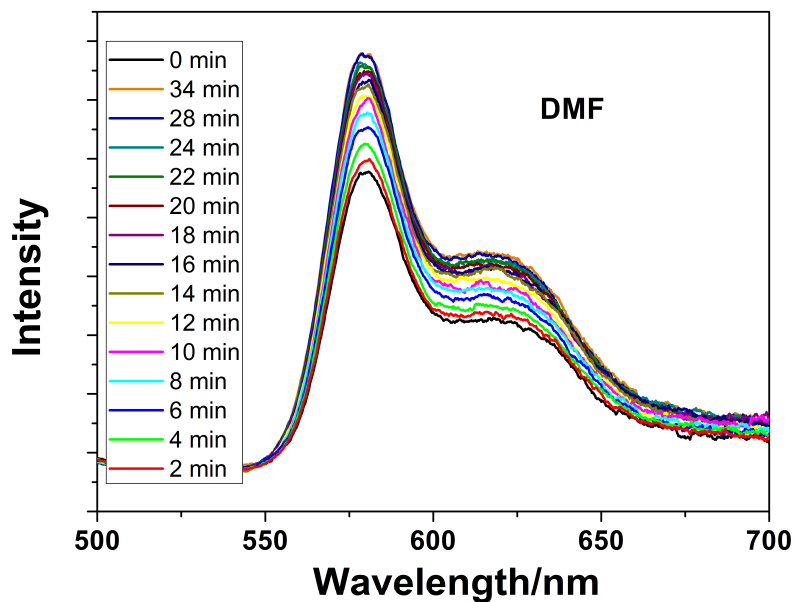
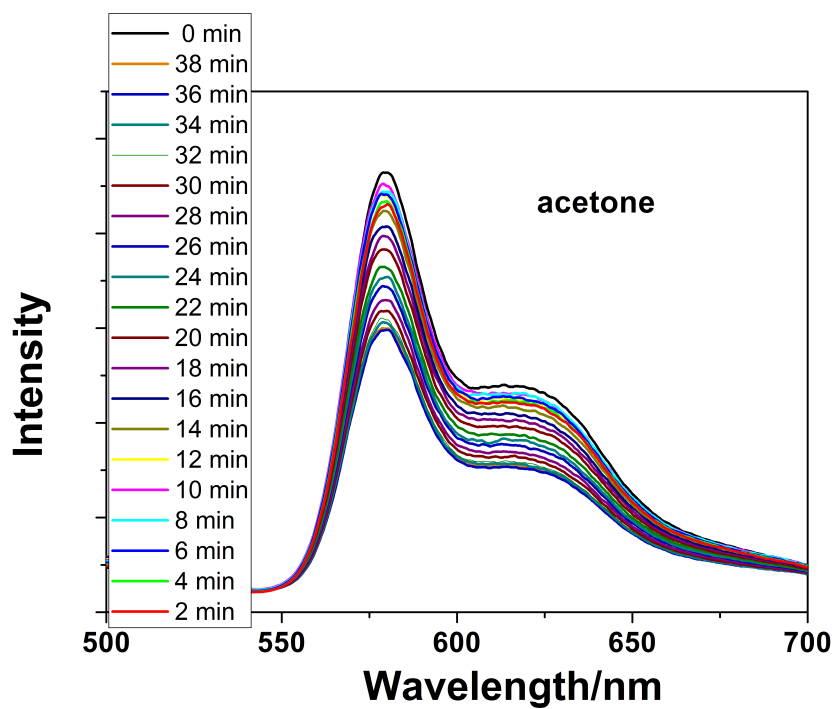
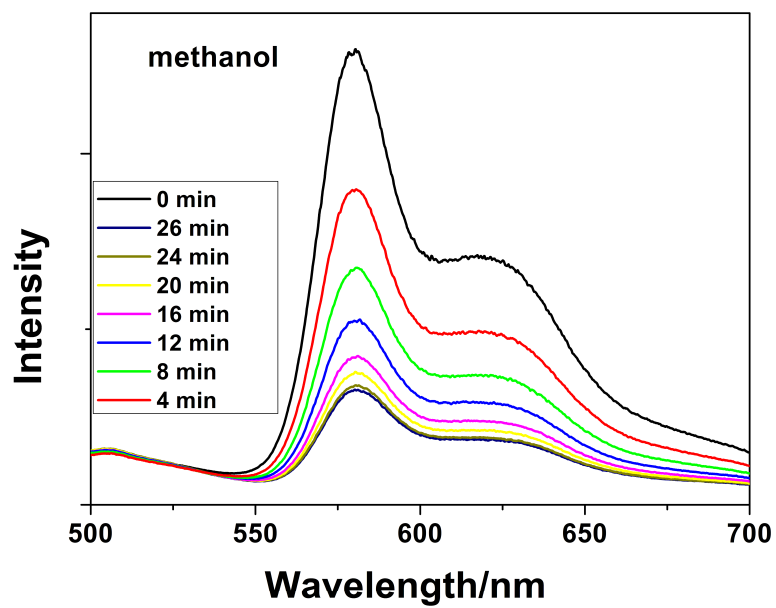
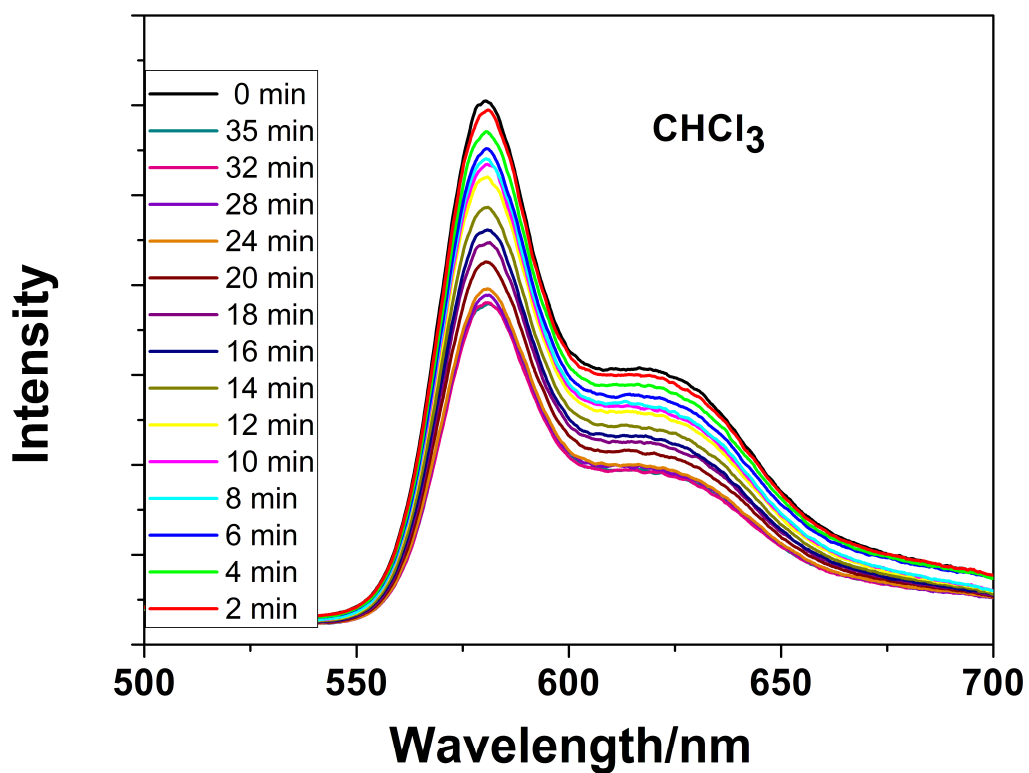
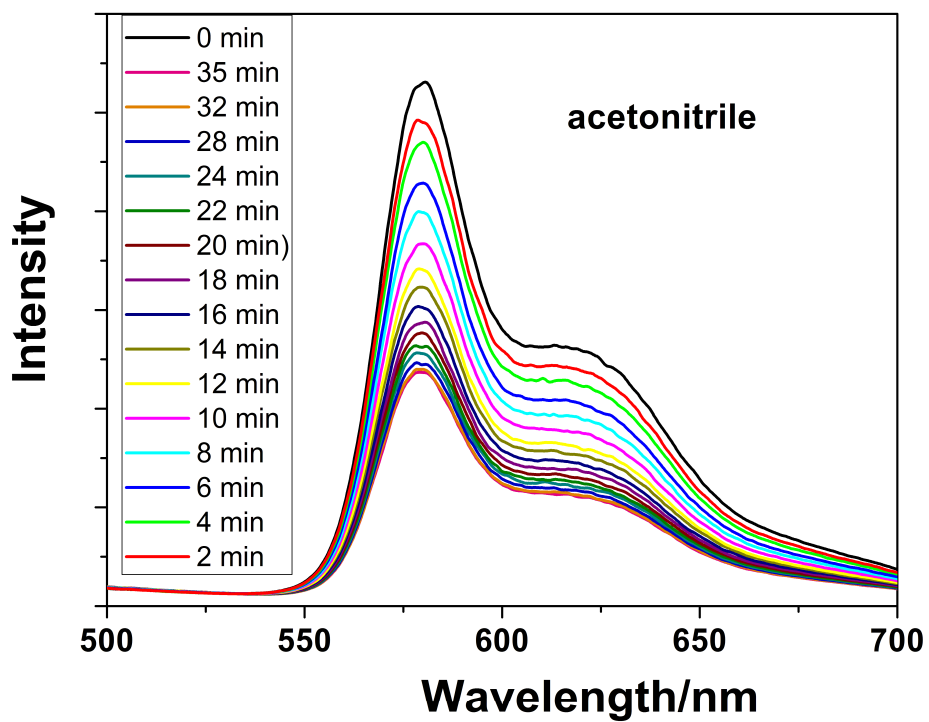


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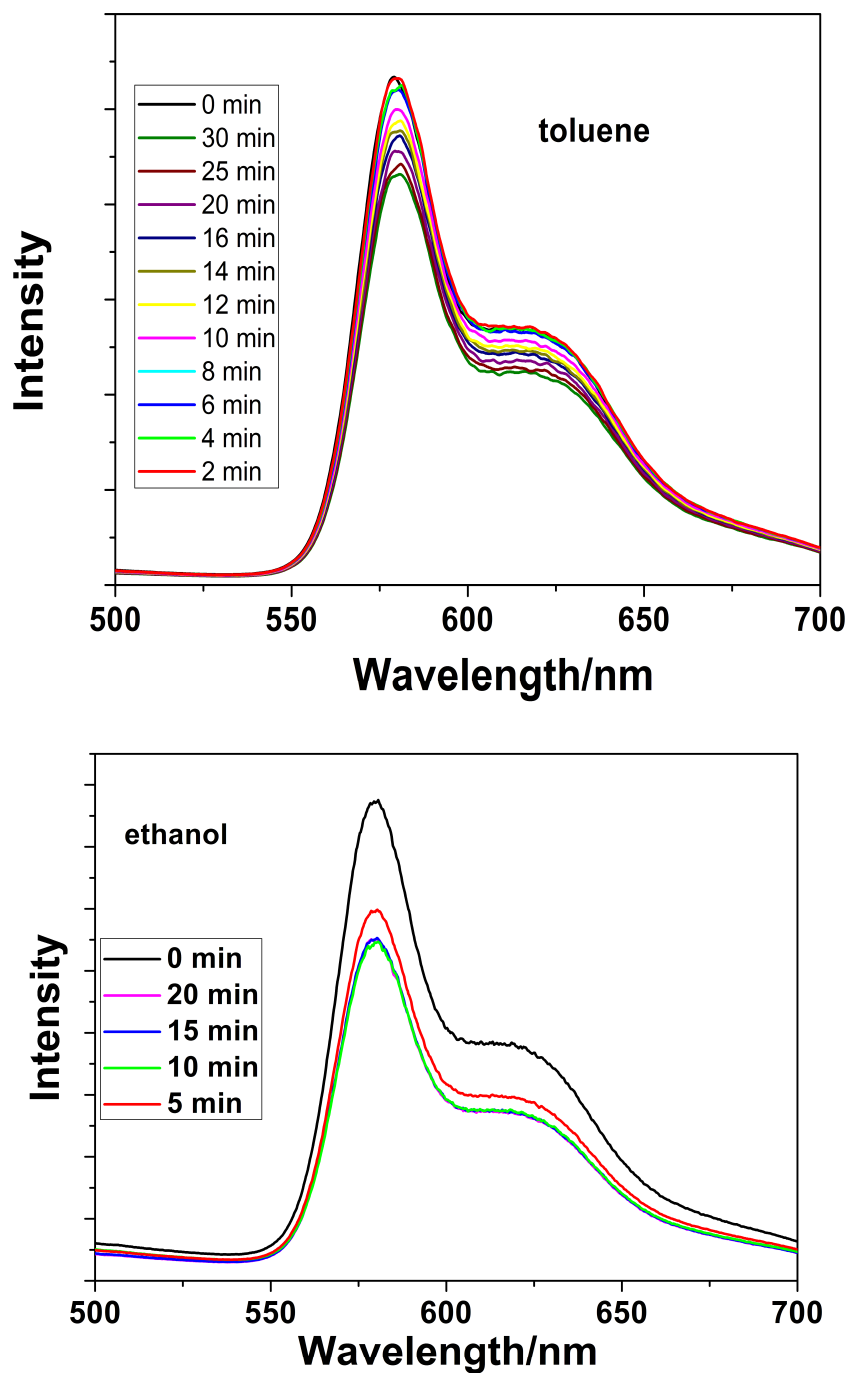


Figure S14. Emission spectra of **1** upon exposure to the vapor of DMF, toluene, acetone, CHCl_3 , acetonitrile, ethanol, methanol, 1,4-dioxane and THF at various time intervals.

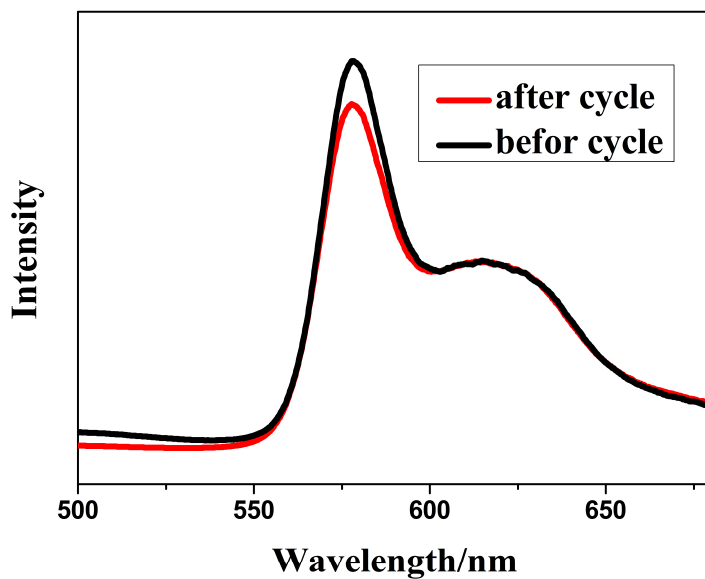


Figure S15. The PL spectra of **1** in DMF after four cycles at $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 390$ nm.

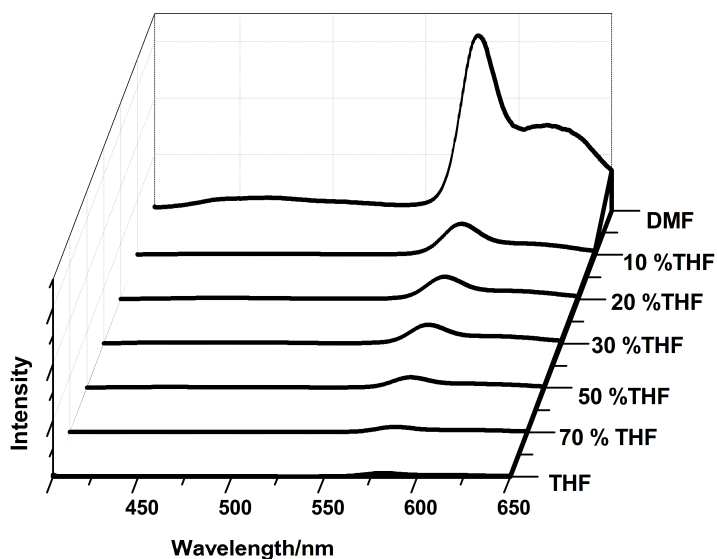


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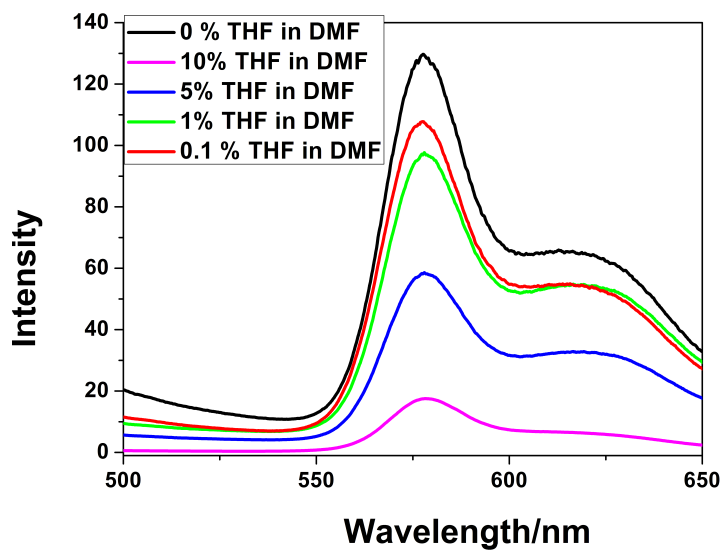


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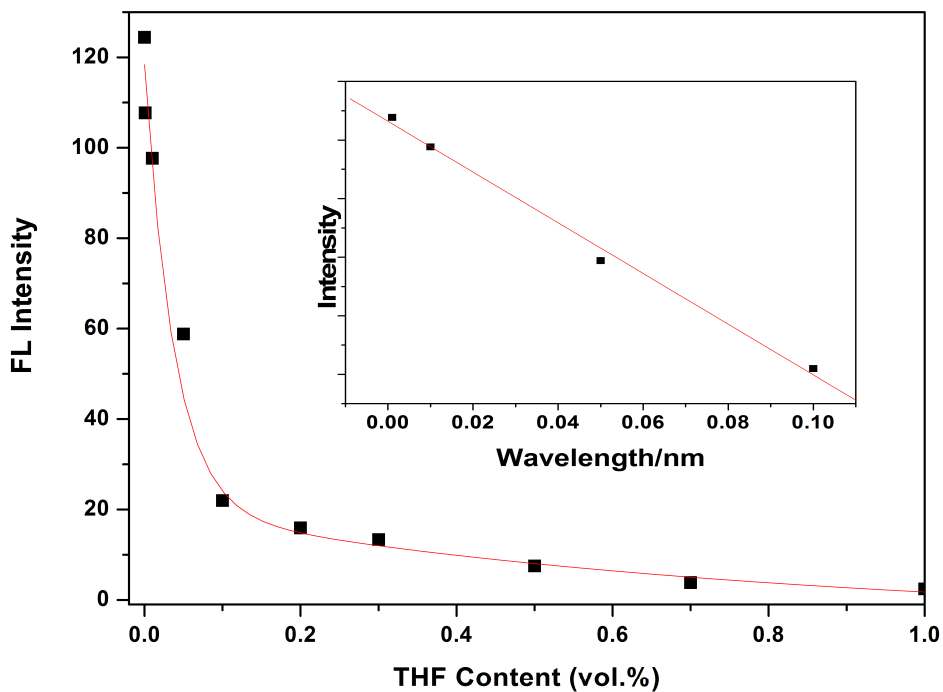


Figure S18. The PL intensity of **1** in DMF as a function of THF content in DMF. The inset shows the emission quenching linearity relationship (detection limit) of **1** in DMF between 0.1% and 1% (volume proportion).

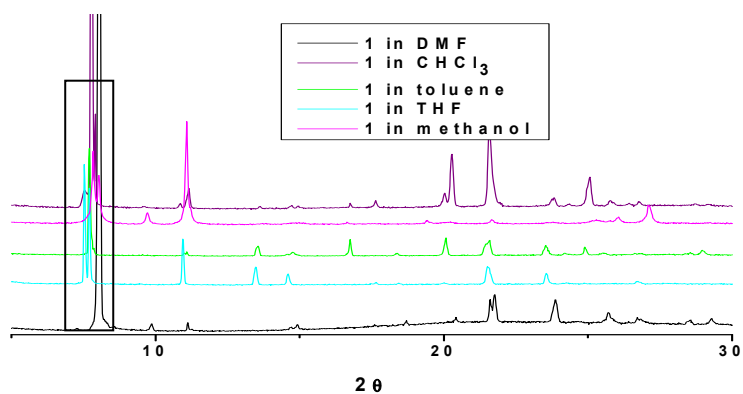


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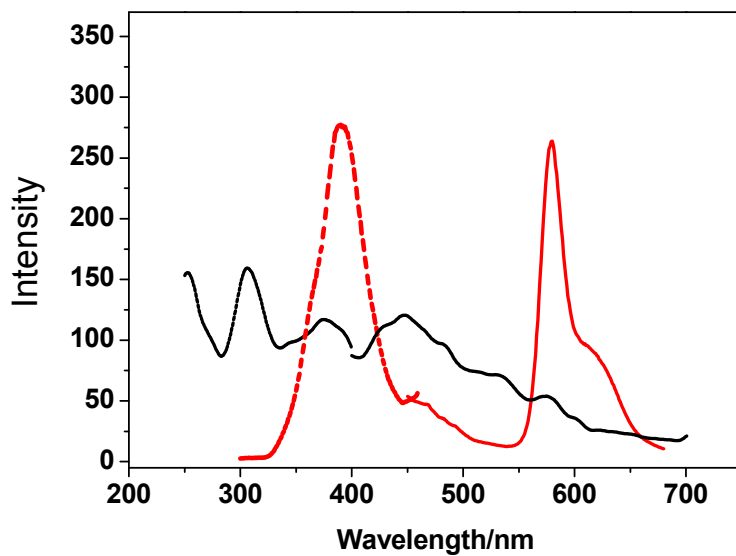


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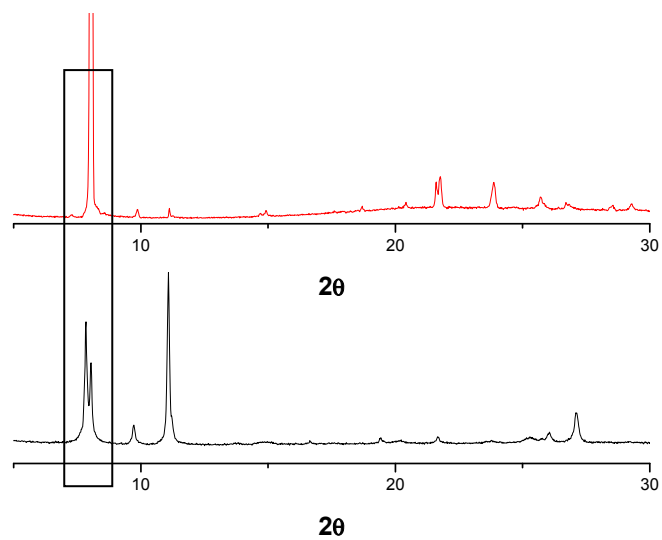


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