

Intrinsic quantum yields and radiative lifetimes of lanthanide tris(dipicolinates)

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Table S1. Doubly reduced matrix elements used in the calculations of the **dipole** strengths for absorption and emission of $\text{Cs}_3[\text{Eu}(\text{dpa})_3]$.⁴²⁻⁴⁴

n	Transitio	Element	Value	Transiti	Element	Value
	$^5\text{D}_2 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_0$	$\left \langle \Psi U^2 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0008	$^5\text{D}_0 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_2$	$\left \langle \Psi U^2 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0032
	$^5\text{L}_6 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_1$	$\left \langle \Psi U^6 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0090	$^5\text{D}_0 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_4$	$\left \langle \Psi U^4 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0023
	$^5\text{L}_6 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_0$	$\left \langle \Psi U^6 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0155	$^5\text{D}_0 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_6$	$\left \langle \Psi U^6 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0002
	$^5\text{D}_4 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_0$	$\left \langle \Psi U^4 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	0.0011			

Table S2. Doubly reduced matrix elements used in the calculations of the **dipole** strengths for absorption⁴⁴ and emission⁴⁰ of $\text{Cs}_3[\text{Tb}(\text{dpa})_3]$.

n	Transitio	$\left \langle \Psi U^2 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	$\left \langle \Psi U^4 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	$\left \langle \Psi U^6 \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$	$\left \langle \Psi L + 2S \Psi' \rangle \right ^2$
	$^5\text{D}_4 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_6$	0.0010	0.0008	0.0013	
	$^5\text{D}_3 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_6$	0.0017	0.0047	0.0132	
	$^5\text{G}_6 \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_6$				
	$^5\text{L}_{10} \leftarrow ^7\text{F}_6$	0.00000	0.00040	0.05920	
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_0$	0.00066	0.00156	0.00187	
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_1$	0.01459	0.00109	0.00356	
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_2$	0.00034	0.00187	0.00193	
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_3$	0.00269	0.00047	0.00074	0.128
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_4$	0.00090	0.00040	0.00013	0.004
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_5$	0.00000	0.00154	0.00000	0.728
	$^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow ^7\text{F}_6$	0.00000	0.00246	0.00000	

Table S3. Quantum yield and related data (see main text for definitions) of $\text{Cs}_3[\text{Ln}(\text{dpa})_3]$, Ln = Eu, Tb versus concentration in Tris-HCl 0.1 M.

c / M	$(L_a - L_c) / 10^{-7}$	α	$E_c / 10^6$	$(Q \pm 2\sigma) / \%$	% (tris species)
Ln = Eu					
4.56×10^{-4}	3.308	0.91	8.93	27.0 ± 0.1	92.9
2.28×10^{-4}	2.820	0.71	7.35	26.4 ± 0.7	90.0
1.14×10^{-4}	2.051	0.55	5.08	24.8 ± 0.5	86.2
5.70×10^{-5}	1.200	0.33	2.90	24.2 ± 0.6	81.1
2.85×10^{-5}	0.602	0.16	1.41	22.7 ± 1.4	74.4
1.43×10^{-5}	0.270	0.07	0.65	24.1 ± 1.0	65.9
Ln = Tb					
4.52×10^{-4}	3.325	0.89	7.54	22.6 ± 0.1	95.0
2.26×10^{-4}	2.642	0.55	5.95	22.5 ± 0.3	93.0
1.13×10^{-4}	1.774	0.30	4.01	22.4 ± 0.5	90.2
5.65×10^{-5}	1.034	0.15	2.28	22.1 ± 0.7	86.4
2.82×10^{-5}	0.618	0.08	1.33	21.4 ± 0.2	81.4
1.41×10^{-5}	0.270	0.03	0.646	24.0 ± 2.8	74.7

Table S4. Quantum yields of $\text{Cs}_3[\text{Ln}(\text{dpa})_3]$, $\text{Ln} = \text{Eu}$ (6.7×10^{-5} M), Tb (6.6×10^{-5} M), versus pH. Excitation wavelength: 280 nm.

$\text{Ln} = \text{Eu}$		$\text{Ln} = \text{Tb}$	
pH	$(Q \pm 2\sigma) / \%$	pH	$(Q \pm 2\sigma) / \%$
2.36	2.6 ± 0.2	2.65	10.0 ± 0.1
3.11	6.8 ± 0.2	3.23	16.2 ± 0.9
4.16	24.0 ± 1.4	4.36	20.0 ± 0.3
5.10	24.8 ± 1.7	4.94	20.7 ± 0.6
5.90	24.6 ± 0.5	5.81	20.1 ± 0.9
6.97	25.9 ± 1.1	7.06	21.0 ± 0.1
8.04	24.8 ± 1.3	8.42	21.0 ± 1.0
8.83	23.5 ± 1.8	9.12	21.0 ± 1.3
10.06	25.7 ± 0.9	10.02	21.2 ± 0.5

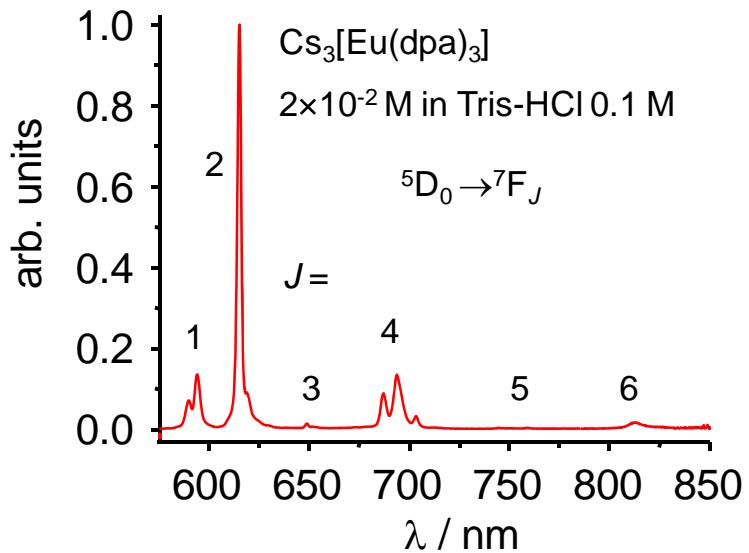


Figure S1. Emission spectrum of Cs₃[Eu(dpa)₃] in Tris-HCl under ligand excitation (280 nm).

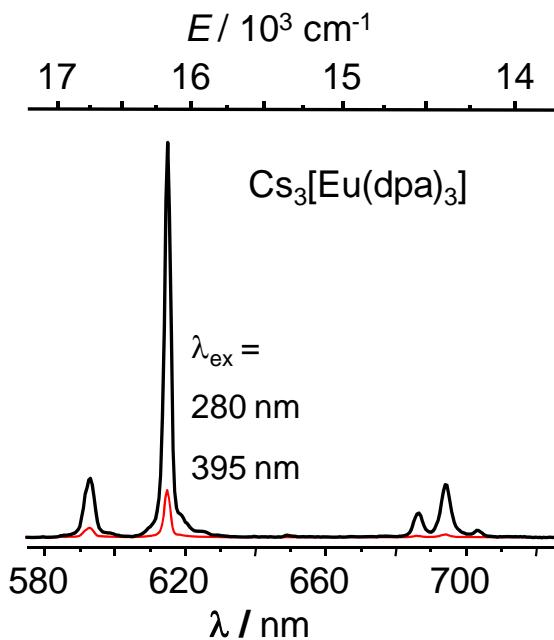


Figure S2. Emission spectra of a microcrystalline sample of Cs₃[Eu(dpa)₃] under ligand excitation (280 nm) and direct f-f excitation (395 nm, ${}^5L_6 \leftarrow {}^7F_0$, dotted line).