

Enhanced E/Z-Photoisomerization and Luminescence of Stilbene Derivative Co-coordinated in Di- β -Diketonate Lanthanide Complexes

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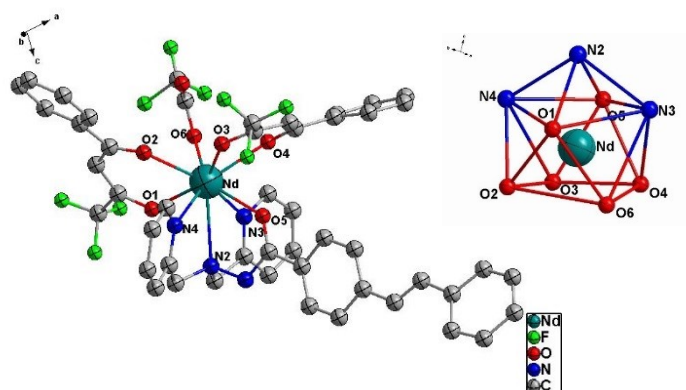


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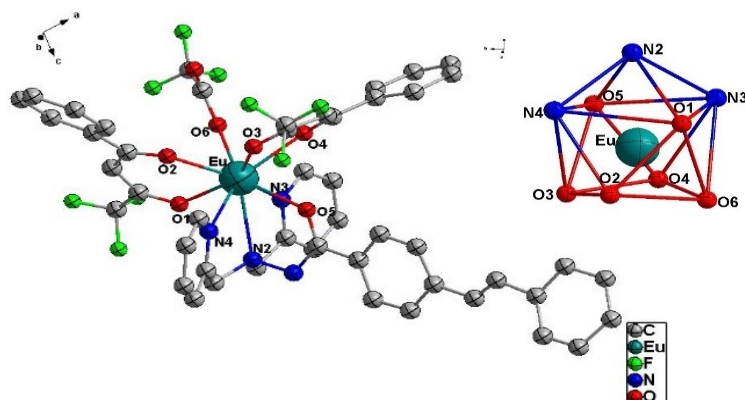


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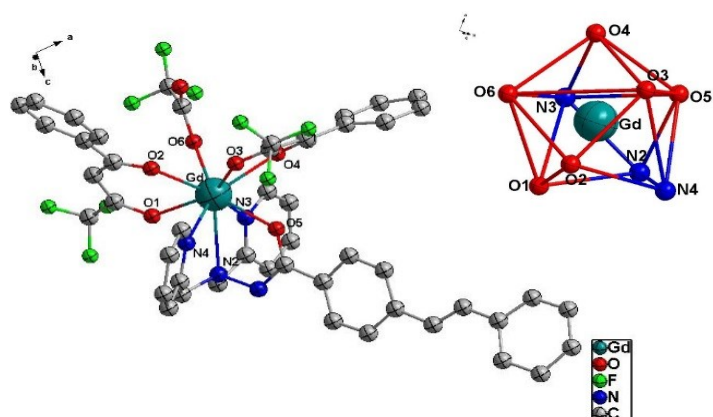


Figure S3. The Crystal structure and coordination polyhedron (inset) geometry of complex **4** ($[\text{Gd}(\text{tfd})_2(\text{HL})(\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2)]$).

Table S1. Selected bond lengths (Å) of complexes **1–5**.

[La(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂) ₂]		[Nd(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂) ₂]		[Eu(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂) ₂]		[Gd(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂) ₂]		[Yb(tfd) ₂ L]	
Bond lengths (Å)		Bond lengths (Å)		Bond lengths (Å)		Bond lengths (Å)		Bond lengths (Å)	
La01-O1	2.352(3)	Nd01-O1	2.414(4)	Eu01-O1	2.346(5)	Gd01-O1	2.365(76)	Yb01-O1	2.230(2)
La01-O2	2.373(3)	Nd01-O2	2.451(5)	Eu01-O2	2.372(4)	Gd01-O2	2.379(61)	Yb01-O2	2.332(2)
La01-O3	2.361(3)	Nd01-O3	2.414(5)	Eu01-O3	2.363(5)	Gd01-O3	2.369(81)	Yb01-O3	2.225(2)
La01-O4	2.423(4)	Nd01-O4	2.467(7)	Eu01-O4	2.396(5)	Gd01-O4	2.425(77)	Yb01-O4	2.296(2)
La01-O5	2.390(3)	Nd01-O5	2.434(5)	Eu01-O5	2.387(5)	Gd01-O5	2.382(70)	Yb01-O5	2.203(2)
La01-O6	2.380(4)	Nd01-O6	2.467(5)	Eu01-O6	2.339(5)	Gd01-O6	2.362(77)	Yb01-N2	2.504(3)
La01-N2	2.753(4)	Nd01-N2	2.818(7)	Eu01-N2	2.749(6)	Gd01-N2	2.758(103)	Yb01-N3	2.467(3)
La01-N3	2.624(4)	Nd01-N3	2.688(6)	Eu01-N3	2.631(6)	Gd01-N3	2.649(97)	Yb01-N4	2.546(3)
La01-N4	2.639(4)	Nd01-N4	2.692(6)	Eu01-N4	2.644(6)	Gd01-N3	2.631(106)	N1-N2	1.478(34)
N1-N2	1.425(45)	N1-N2	1.428(84)	N1-N2	1.407(85)	N1-N2	1.429(127)	C33-O5	1.291(4)
C33-O5	1.240(5)	C33-O5	1.230(9)	C33-O5	1.243(7)	C33-O5	1.246(12)	C33-N1	1.307(4)
C33-N1	1.334(6)	C33-N1	1.341(9)	C33-N1	1.322(9)	C33-N1	1.341(9)		

* O1,O2 and O3, O4 are from the two 4,4,4-Trifluoro-1-phenylbutane-1,3-dionates, O6 is from trifluoroacetate, O5 and N2 are from benzohydazide and N3, N4 are from pyridines of HL ligand.

Table S2. Selected angles(deg) of complexes **1**, **2** and **3**.

[La(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂)] (1)		[Nd(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂)] (2)		[Eu(tfd) ₂ HL(CF ₃ CO ₂)] (3)	
Angles		Angles		Angles	
O2—La01—O5	135.41 (13)	O3—Nd01—O1	143.22 (16)	O6—Eu01—O1	74.60 (17)
O2—La01—O4	121.73 (12)	O3—Nd01—O2	73.36 (16)	O6—Eu01—O3	104.53 (17)
O2—La01—N4	143.99 (12)	O1—Nd01—O2	70.78 (16)	O1—Eu01—O3	142.42 (17)
O2—La01—O6	77.73 (12)	O3—Nd01—O5	73.21 (18)	O6—Eu01—O2	76.54 (17)
O2—La01—N3	69.67 (12)	O1—Nd01—O5	129.95 (17)	O1—Eu01—O2	71.39 (16)
O2—La01—N2	118.87 (12)	O2—Nd01—O5	134.70 (18)	O3—Eu01—O2	71.97 (17)
O1—La01—O2	71.37 (12)	O3—Nd01—O4	70.10 (17)	O6—Eu01—O5	140.20 (18)
O1—La01—O5	130.70 (12)	O1—Nd01—O4	138.87 (18)	O1—Eu01—O5	131.12 (16)
O1—La01—O4	138.37 (13)	O2—Nd01—O4	122.93 (17)	O3—Eu01—O5	73.56 (17)
O1—La01—O3	142.78 (12)	O5—Nd01—O4	71.24 (17)	O2—Eu01—O5	135.26 (17)
O1—La01—N4	76.68 (12)	O3—Nd01—O6	110.54 (18)	O6—Eu01—O4	71.69 (17)
O1—La01—O6	74.21 (12)	O1—Nd01—O6	72.08 (18)	O1—Eu01—O4	138.41 (17)
O1—La01—N3	84.01 (13)	O2—Nd01—O6	81.62 (18)	O3—Eu01—O4	70.81 (18)
O1—La01—N2	69.42 (12)	O5—Nd01—O6	139.15 (18)	O2—Eu01—O4	121.90 (17)
O5—La01—O4	70.79 (12)	O4—Nd01—O6	72.35 (17)	O5—Eu01—O4	70.32 (17)
O5—La01—N4	78.91 (13)	O3—Nd01—N3	139.71 (17)	O6—Eu01—N3	79.20 (18)
O5—La01—N3	74.79 (13)	O1—Nd01—N3	77.07 (16)	O1—Eu01—N3	76.51 (17)
O5—La01—N2	61.32 (12)	O2—Nd01—N3	144.99 (16)	O3—Eu01—N3	140.96 (18)
O4—La01—N4	73.91 (13)	O5—Nd01—N3	77.55 (18)	O2—Eu01—N3	143.78 (17)
O4—La01—N3	137.12 (13)	O4—Nd01—N3	74.65 (17)	O5—Eu01—N3	79.35 (18)
O4—La01—N2	118.88 (12)	O6—Nd01—N3	75.5 (2)	O4—Eu01—N3	73.90 (18)
O3—La01—O2	72.29 (12)	O3—Nd01—N4	75.61 (17)	O6—Eu01—N4	144.77 (17)
O3—La01—O5	73.78 (12)	O1—Nd01—N4	84.21 (17)	O1—Eu01—N4	84.21 (17)
O3—La01—O4	70.36 (13)	O2—Nd01—N4	69.11 (18)	O3—Eu01—N4	75.83 (18)
O3—La01—N4	140.42 (13)	O5—Nd01—N4	73.62 (18)	O2—Eu01—N4	70.09 (17)
O3—La01—O6	105.56 (13)	O4—Nd01—N4	136.35 (17)	O5—Eu01—N4	74.51 (17)
O3—La01—N3	76.12 (13)	O6—Nd01—N4	147.20 (18)	O4—Eu01—N4	136.79 (18)
O3—La01—N2	123.75 (12)	N3—Nd01—N4	121.52 (19)	N3—Eu01—N4	123.12 (19)
N4—La01—N2	62.00 (13)	O3—Nd01—N2	122.42 (18)	O6—Eu01—N2	131.76 (16)
O6—La01—O5	139.72 (13)	O1—Nd01—N2	69.43 (18)	O1—Eu01—N2	69.63 (16)
O6—La01—O4	71.34 (12)	O2—Nd01—N2	117.25 (17)	O3—Eu01—N2	123.57 (16)
O6—La01—N4	77.96 (14)	O5—Nd01—N2	60.56 (18)	O2—Eu01—N2	119.12 (17)
O6—La01—N3	145.23 (13)	O4—Nd01—N2	119.12 (18)	O5—Eu01—N2	61.52 (17)
O6—La01—N2	130.49 (12)	O6—Nd01—N2	126.71 (19)	O4—Eu01—N2	118.44 (17)
N3—La01—N4	123.33 (14)	N3—Nd01—N2	61.07 (18)	N3—Eu01—N2	61.94 (17)
N3—La01—N2	61.34 (13)	N4—Nd01—N2	60.46 (19)	N4—Eu01—N2	61.18 (16)

Table S3. Selected angles(deg) of complexes **4** and **5**.

[Gd(tfd)₂HL(CF₃CO₂)₂] (4)		[Yb(tfd)₂L] (5)	
Angles		Angles	
O1—Gd01—O5	131.3 (2)	O5—Yb01—O3	102.20 (8)
O1—Gd01—O3	142.8 (3)	O5—Yb01—O1	138.43 (8)
O1—Gd01—O2	71.7 (2)	O3—Yb01—O1	99.71 (8)
O1—Gd01—O4	137.7 (3)	O5—Yb01—O4	75.03 (8)
O1—Gd01—N3	76.4 (3)	O3—Yb01—O4	75.27 (8)
O1—Gd01—N4	84.6 (3)	O1—Yb01—O4	145.30 (8)
O1—Gd01—N2	69.6 (3)	O5—Yb01—O2	146.94 (8)
O5—Gd01—O4	71.1 (3)	O3—Yb01—O2	77.04 (8)
O5—Gd01—N3	79.8 (3)	O1—Yb01—O2	72.58 (8)
O5—Gd01—N4	74.6 (3)	O4—Yb01—O2	72.85 (8)
O5—Gd01—N2	61.7 (2)	O5—Yb01—N3	85.12 (8)
O3—Gd01—O5	73.8 (3)	O3—Yb01—N3	150.95 (8)
O3—Gd01—O2	71.8 (2)	O1—Yb01—N3	92.46 (8)
O3—Gd01—O4	70.3 (3)	O4—Yb01—N3	79.71 (8)
O3—Gd01—N3	140.6 (3)	O2—Yb01—N3	81.70 (8)
O3—Gd01—N4	76.3 (3)	O5—Yb01—N2	67.97 (8)
O3—Gd01—N2	124.4 (3)	O3—Yb01—N2	141.43 (8)
O6—Gd01—O1	73.7 (3)	O1—Yb01—N2	72.83 (8)
O6—Gd01—O5	140.4 (3)	O4—Yb01—N2	131.65 (8)
O6—Gd01—O3	104.6 (3)	O2—Yb01—N2	131.85 (8)
O6—Gd01—O2	77.2 (3)	N3—Yb01—N2	67.44 (9)
O6—Gd01—O4	71.3 (3)	O5—Yb01—N4	77.37 (8)
O6—Gd01—N3	78.1 (3)	O3—Yb01—N4	75.28 (8)
O6—Gd01—N4	144.6 (3)	O1—Yb01—N4	74.66 (8)
O6—Gd01—N2	130.8 (3)	O4—Yb01—N4	133.78 (8)
O2—Gd01—O5	134.8 (3)	O2—Yb01—N4	132.19 (8)
O2—Gd01—O4	121.4 (2)	N3—Yb01—N4	133.65 (9)
O2—Gd01—N3	143.9 (3)	N2—Yb00—N4	66.22 (9)
O2—Gd01—N4	69.5 (3)		
O2—Gd01—N2	119.0 (3)		
O4—Gd01—N3	73.8 (3)		
O4—Gd01—N4	137.3 (3)		
O4—Gd01—N2	119.1 (3)		
N3—Gd01—N2	62.3 (3)		
N4—Gd01—N3	123.9 (3)		
N4—Gd01—N2	61.6 (3)		

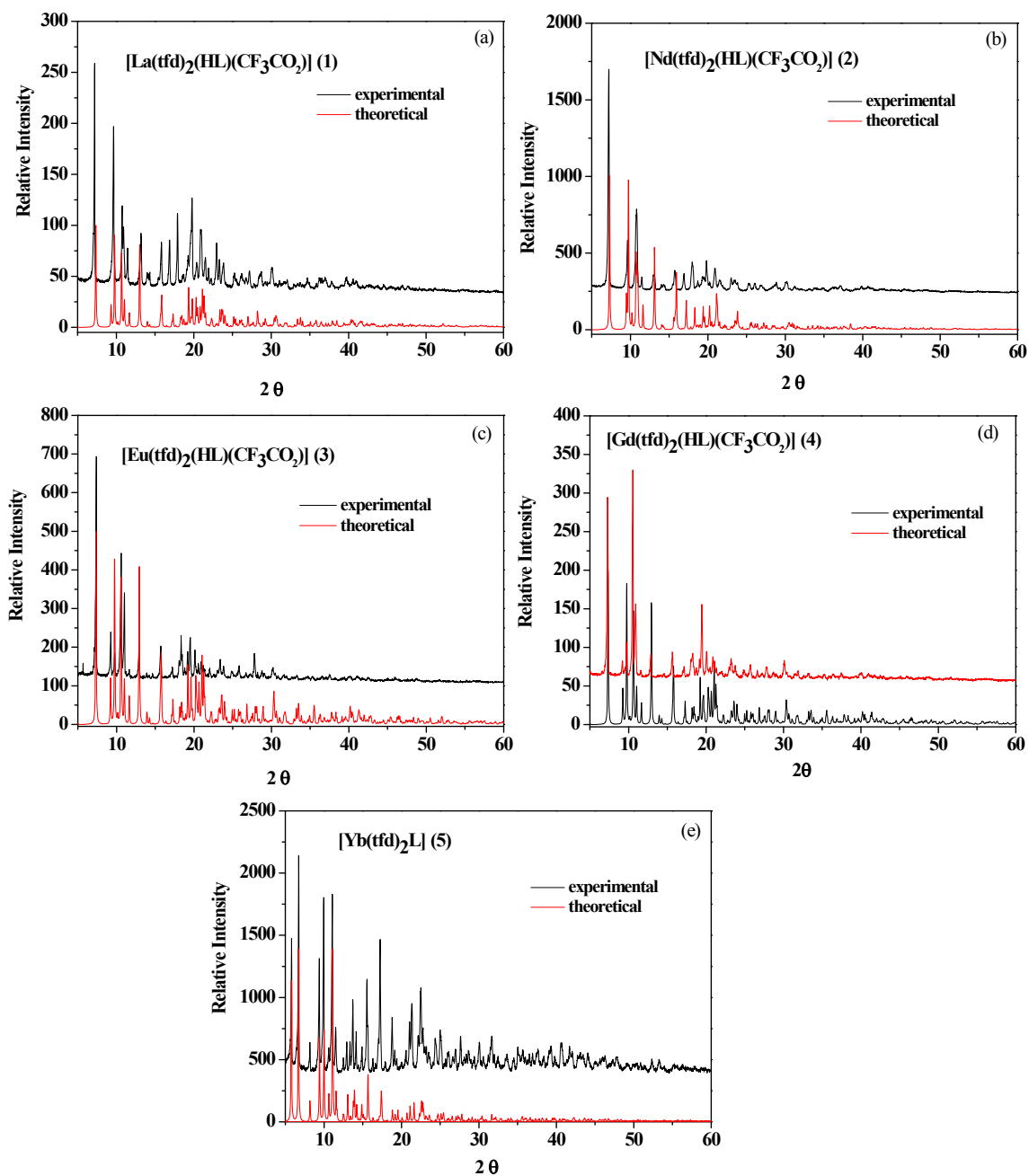


Figure S4. Observed (black) and calculated (red) X-ray powder diffraction patterns of complexes 1–5.

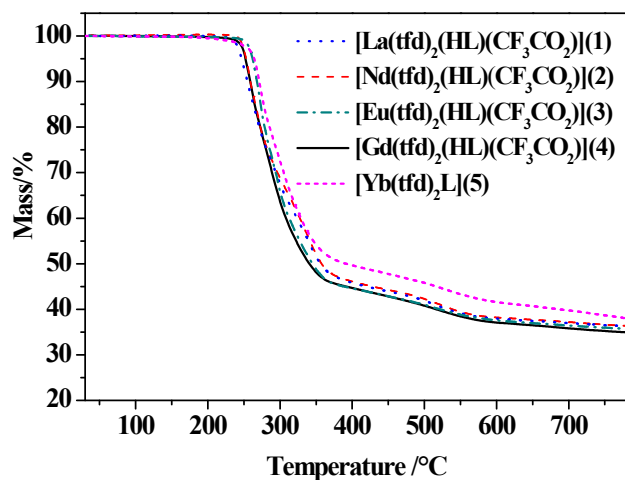


Figure S5. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) curves of complexes **1** (blue dot), **2** (red dash), **3** (dark cyan dash dot), **4** (black solid) and **5** (magenta short dash).

Table S4. UV-vis absorption spectral data of Htfd, HL and complexes **1–5** in acetonitrile solutions.

Compounds	$\lambda_{\text{max}}[\text{nm}]/\epsilon_{\text{max}}[10^4 \text{ Lmol}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}]$	
Htfd	326/2.0	256/0.7
HL	317/5.1	263/1.8
1	325/2.0	257/3.4
2	324/4.9	257/2.8
3	327/2.1	257/3.0
4	324/5.0	257/2.7
5	320/19.3	263/7.1

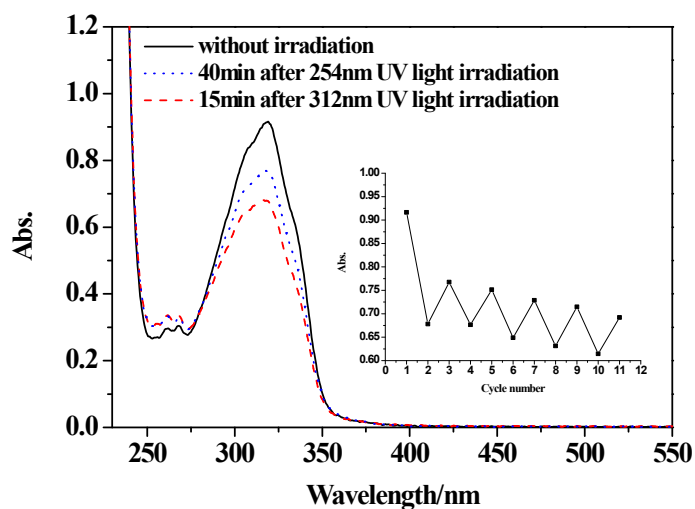


Figure S6. UV spectral changes of HL ligand in acetonitrile solution (2.0×10^{-5} mol/L) by the irradiation of UV light at 312 nm and 254 nm. Inset shows 5 cycles of the maximum absorption intensity at 317 nm alternatively modulated by the irradiation of UV light at 312 nm and 254 nm.

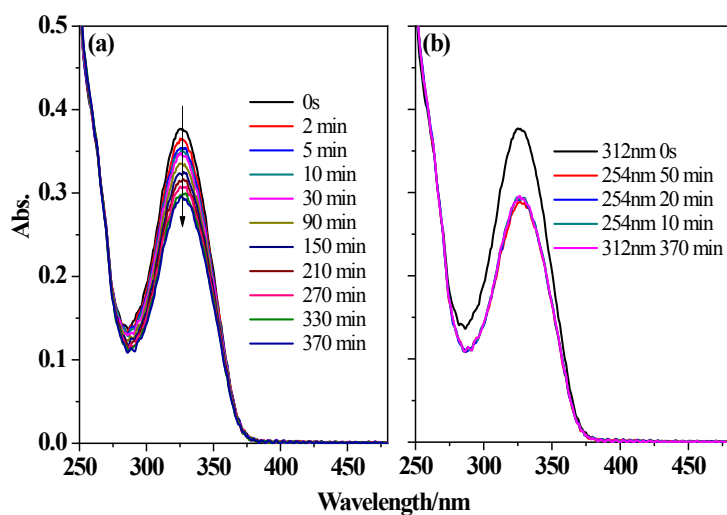


Figure S7. UV spectral changes of complex **1** in acetonitrile solution (2.0×10^{-5} mol/L) upon irradiation at UV 312 nm (a) and recoverable irradiation at UV 254 nm (b) as a function of time.

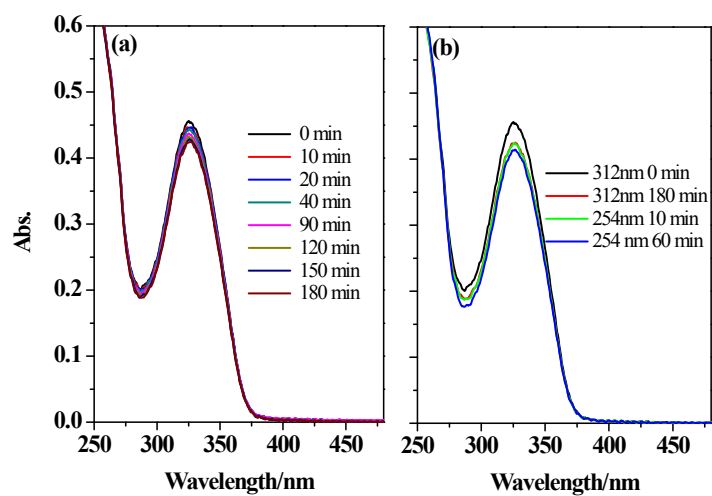


Figure S8. UV spectral changes of complex **3** in acetonitrile solutions (2.0×10^{-5} mol/L) upon irradiation at UV 312 nm (a) and recoverable irradiation at UV 254 nm (b) as a function of time.

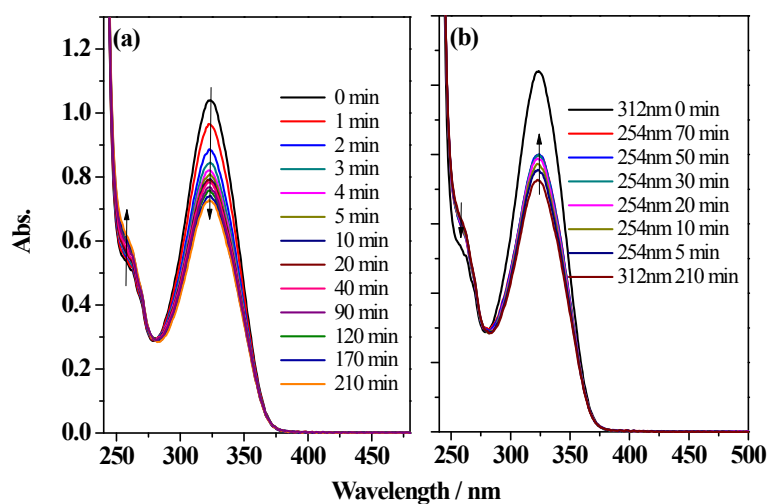


Figure S9. UV spectral changes of complex **4** in acetonitrile solutions (2.0×10^{-5} mol/L) upon irradiation at UV 312 nm (a) and recoverable irradiation at UV 254 nm (b) as a function of time.

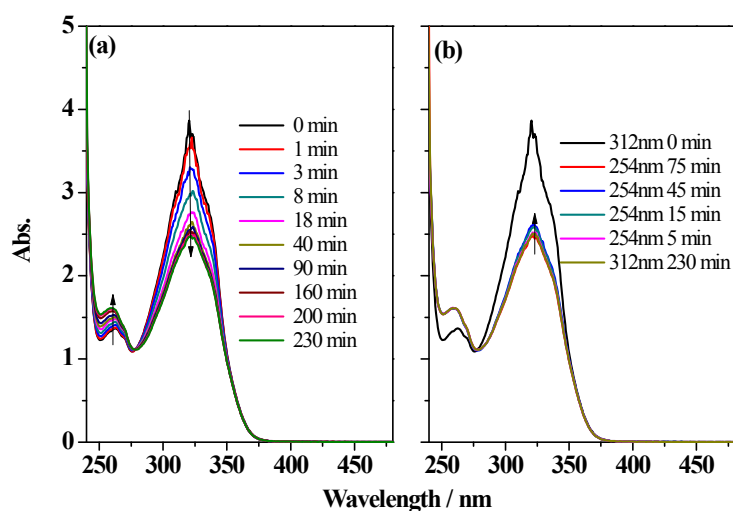


Figure S10. UV spectral changes of complex **5** in acetonitrile solutions (2.0 × 10⁻⁵ mol/L) upon irradiation at UV 312 nm (a) and recoverable irradiation at UV 254 nm (b) as a function of time.

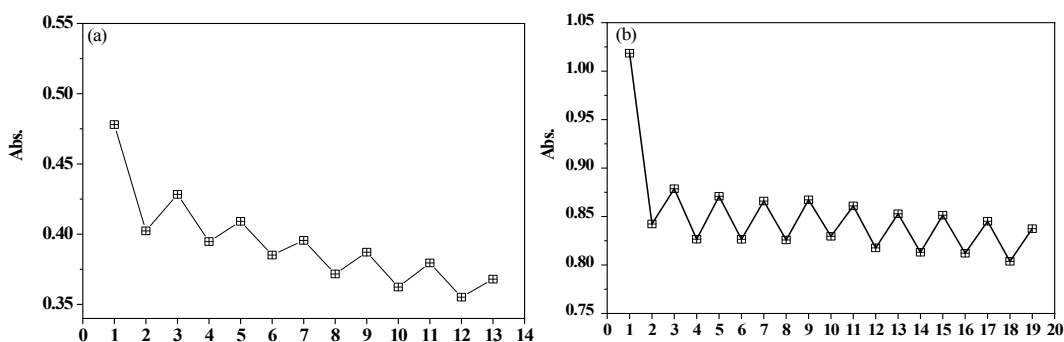


Figure S11. Cycles of the absorption intensity at 324 nm of complexes **1** (a) and **4** (b) in ethanol and acetonitrile solution (2.0 × 10⁻⁵ mol/L) alternatively modulated by the irradiation of UV light at 312 nm and 254 nm.

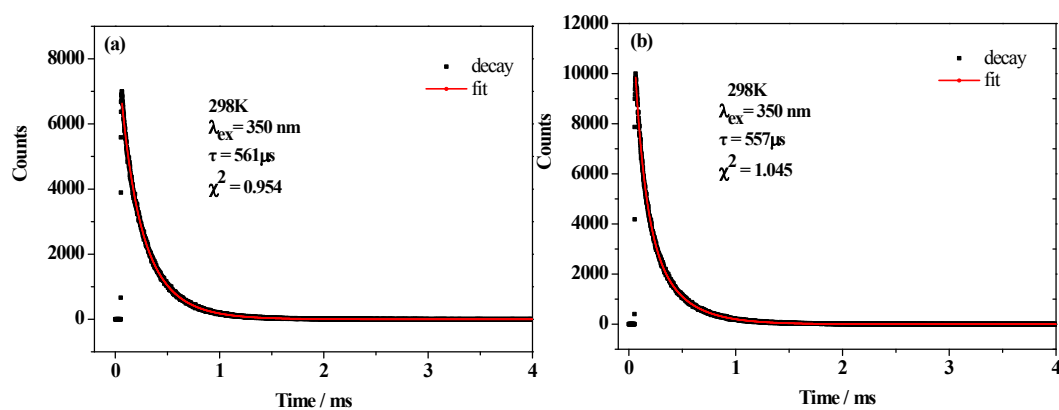


Figure S12. Luminescence decay curves of complex **3** in acetonitrile solution (a) and in solid (b)

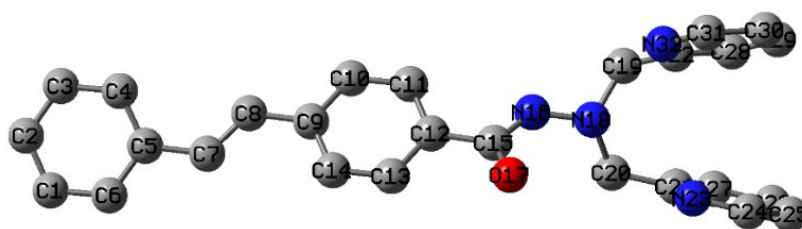


Figure S13. Structure diagram of ligand HL after optimization by CAM-B3LYP.

Table S5. Bond lengths(Å) and angles(°) of HL optimized by three methods

Bond	Bond lengths (Å)			Bond	Bond angle (°)		
	CAM-B3LYP	B3LYP	PBE0		CAM-B3LYP	B3LYP	PBE0
C ₇ -C ₈	1.340	1.350	1.361	C ₅ -C ₇ -C ₈	126.73	127.00	126.98
C ₁₅ -N ₁₆	1.367	1.370	1.383	N ₁₆ -N ₁₈ -C ₁₉	110.80	110.75	109.74
C ₁₅ -O ₁₇	1.223	1.220	1.239	C ₁₅ -N ₁₆ -N ₁₈	120.29	120.42	119.89
N ₁₆ -N ₁₈	1.395	1.402	1.407	O ₁₇ -C ₁₅ -N ₁₆	123.36	123.38	123.27
C ₄ -C ₅	1.402	1.410	1.418	C ₁₉ -C ₂₂ -N ₃₂	116.28	116.31	116.10
N ₁₈ -C ₁₉	1.466	1.476	1.479	C ₂₀ -C ₂₁ -N ₂₃	116.81	116.69	116.65
C ₁₉ -N ₃₂	1.338	1.345	1.353	C ₇ -C ₈ -C ₉	126.44	126.67	126.69

Table S6. Selected bond lengths(Å) and angles(°) of complex **1** determined by X-ray diffraction and optimized by three different functional

Bond	Bond length (nm)				Bond	Bond angles (°)			
	measured	CAM-B3LYP	B3LYP	PBE0		measured	CAM-B3LYP	B3LYP	PBE0
La-O ₁	2.352	2.484	2.507	2.501	O ₁ -La-O ₂	71.37	68.19	68.51	69.00
La-O ₂	2.373	2.480	2.490	2.483	O ₁ -La-O ₅	130.70	123.86	123.78	123.77
La-O ₆	2.380	2.445	2.453	2.437	O ₁ -La-O ₆	74.21	79.15	78.78	78.97
La-O ₃	2.361	2.451	2.474	2.469	O ₁ -La-N ₂	69.42	65.11	65.41	64.66
La-O ₄	2.422	2.527	2.537	2.527	O ₅ -La-O ₄	70.79	72.40	73.33	72.94
La-O ₅	2.390	2.566	2.583	2.573	O ₅ -La-N ₂	61.32	58.82	58.45	59.23
La-N ₂	2.752	2.955	2.988	2.963	O ₄ -La-N ₂	118.88	121.41	122.28	121.91
La-N ₃	2.643	2.829	2.864	2.848	N ₄ -La-N ₂	62.00	59.24	58.91	59.11
La-N ₄	2.640	2.775	2.809	2.793	O ₆ -La-O ₅	139.72	136.22	136.68	137.16
C ₄₀ -C ₄₁	1.201	1.340	1.351	1.362	O ₆ -La-N ₂	130.49	124.20	124.19	124.01
C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	1.410	1.468	1.466	1.464	N ₃ -La-N ₄	123.33	117.48	116.93	117.29
C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	1.509	1.467	1.464	1.462	C ₄₀ -C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	125.70	126.73	127.05	127.06
					C ₄₁ -C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	129.40	126.19	126.52	126.49

Table S7. Selected bond lengths(Å) and angles(°) for complex **3** determined by X-ray diffraction and optimized by three different functional

Bond lengths (nm)					Bond angles (°)				
Bond	measure	CAM-	B3LYP	PBE0	Bond	measure	CAM-	B3LYP	PBE0
	d	B3LYP	PBE0			d	B3LYP	PBE0	
Eu-O ₁	2.346	2.361	2.375	2.372	O ₆ -Eu-O ₁	74.60	76.37	76.62	76.56
Eu-O ₂	2.372	2.376	2.392	2.387	O ₁ -Eu-O ₂	71.39	71.18	71.62	71.88
Eu-O ₃	2.363	2.341	2.380	2.400	O ₁ -Eu-O ₅	131.12	125.84	126.06	126.49
Eu-O ₄	2.396	2.422	2.425	2.409	O ₅ -Eu-O ₄	70.32	72.89	73.70	73.82
Eu-O ₅	2.387	2.444	2.466	2.468	O ₅ -Eu-O ₆	140.20	137.86	139.17	139.76
Eu-O ₆	2.339	2.346	2.339	2.330	O ₁ -Eu-N ₂	69.63	65.12	65.62	65.30
Eu-N ₂	2.749	2.870	2.905	2.884	O ₄ -Eu-N ₂	118.44	121.37	123.51	124.55
Eu-N ₃	2.631	2.713	2.780	2.784	O ₅ -Eu-N ₂	61.52	60.77	60.44	61.20
Eu-N ₄	2.644	2.702	2.703	2.692	O ₆ -Eu-N ₂	131.76	123.24	126.56	126.64
C ₄₀ -C ₄₁	1.168	1.340	1.351	1.362	N ₄ -Eu-N ₂	61.18	60.55	60.48	60.65
C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	1.465	1.468	1.466	1.464	N ₃ -Eu-N ₂	61.94	60.36	59.72	59.78
C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	1.507	1.467	1.464	1.462	C ₄₀ -C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	126.00	126.71	127.04	127.03
					C ₄₁ -C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	129.30	126.21	126.40	126.53

Table S8. Selected bond lengths(Å) and angles(°) of the complex **2** determined by X-ray diffraction and optimized by UCAM-B3LYP

Bond lengths (nm)			Bond angle (°)		
Bond	measure	UCAM-	Bond	measure	UCAM-
	d	B3LYP		d	B3LYP
Nd-O ₁	2.414	2.425	O ₆ -Nd-O ₁	72.08	78.22
Nd-O ₂	2.451	2.417	O ₁ -Nd-O ₂	70.78	70.05
Nd-O ₃	2.414	2.380	O ₁ -Nd-O ₅	129.95	125.24
Nd-O ₄	2.467	2.483	O ₅ -Nd-O ₄	71.24	72.16
Nd-O ₅	2.434	2.498	O ₅ -Nd-O ₆	139.15	138.79
Nd-O ₆	2.467	2.356	O ₁ -Nd-N ₂	69.43	65.39
Nd-N ₂	2.818	2.906	O ₄ -Nd-N ₂	119.12	120.13
Nd-N ₃	2.688	2.748	O ₅ -Nd-N ₂	60.56	59.87
Nd-N ₄	2.692	2.714	O ₆ -Nd-N ₂	126.71	127.44
C ₄₀ -C ₄₁	1.261	1.340	N ₄ -Nd-N ₂	60.46	60.33
C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	1.477	1.468	N ₃ -Nd-N ₂	61.07	59.62
C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	1.466	1.467	C ₄₀ -C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	126.00	126.78
			C ₄₁ -C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	126.70	126.14

Table S9. Selected bond lengths(Å) and angles(°) of the complex **4** determined by X-ray diffraction and optimized by UCAM-B3LYP

Bond lengths (nm)			Bond angle (°)		
Bond	measure	UCAM-	Bond	measure	UCAM-
	d	B3LYP		d	B3LYP
Gd-O ₁	2.365	2.353	O ₆ -Gd-O ₁	73.70	76.48
Gd-O ₂	2.379	2.367	O ₁ -Gd-O ₂	71.70	70.23
Gd-O ₃	2.369	2.325	O ₁ -Gd-O ₅	131.30	126.13
Gd-O ₄	2.425	2.448	O ₅ -Gd-O ₄	71.10	73.10
Gd-O ₅	2.381	2.437	O ₅ -Gd-O ₆	140.40	135.13
Gd-O ₆	2.362	2.326	O ₁ -Gd-N ₂	69.60	64.92
Gd-N ₂	2.758	2.855	O ₄ -Gd-N ₂	119.00	123.82
Gd-N ₃	2.649	2.665	O ₅ -Gd-N ₂	61.70	61.22
Gd-N ₄	2.631	2.743	O ₆ -Gd-N ₂	130.80	121.97
C ₄₀ -C ₄₁	1.230	1.340	N ₄ -Gd-N ₂	61.60	59.90
C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	1.430	1.468	N ₃ -Gd-N ₂	62.30	60.70
C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	1.480	1.467	C ₄₀ -C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	133.00	126.76
			C ₄₁ -C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	130.00	126.05

Table S10. Selected bond lengths(Å) and angles(°) of the complex **5** determined by X-ray diffraction and optimized by UCAM-B3LYP

Bond lengths (nm)			Bond angle (°)		
Bond	measure	UCAM-	Bond	measure	UCAM-
	d	B3LYP		d	B3LYP
Yb-O ₁	2.230	2.425	O ₁ -Yb-O ₂	72.58	71.99
Yb-O ₂	2.332	2.417	O ₁ -Yb-O ₅	138.43	138.83
Yb-O ₃	2.225	2.380	O ₅ -Yb-O ₄	75.03	74.94
Yb-O ₄	2.296	2.483	O ₁ -Yb-N ₂	72.83	73.33
Yb-O ₅	2.203	2.498	O ₄ -Yb-N ₂	131.65	133.08
Yb-N ₂	2.504	2.356	O ₅ -Yb-N ₂	67.97	66.78
Yb-N ₃	2.467	2.906	N ₄ -Yb-N ₂	66.22	66.25
Yb-N ₄	2.546	2.748	N ₃ -Yb-N ₂	133.65	66.47
C ₄₀ -C ₄₁	1.334	1.340	C ₄₀ -C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	126.60	126.74
C ₄₁ -C ₄₂	1.467	1.469	C ₄₁ -C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	126.40	126.60
C ₄₀ -C ₃₇	1.471	1.468			

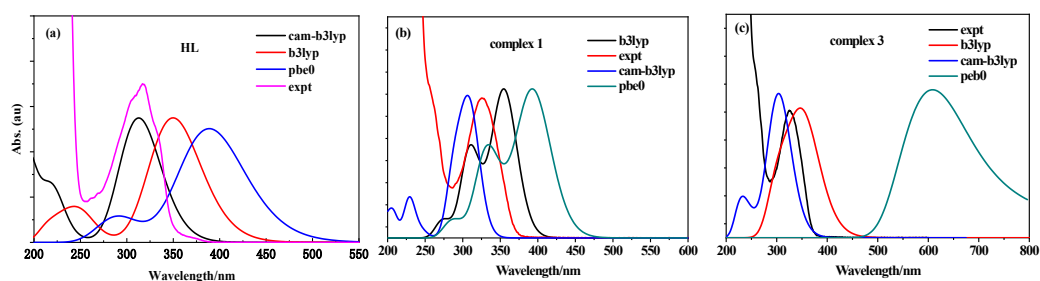


Figure S14. Overlay of calculated and experimental absorption spectra of HL(a), complexes **1**(b) and **3**(c) in acetonitrile solution.

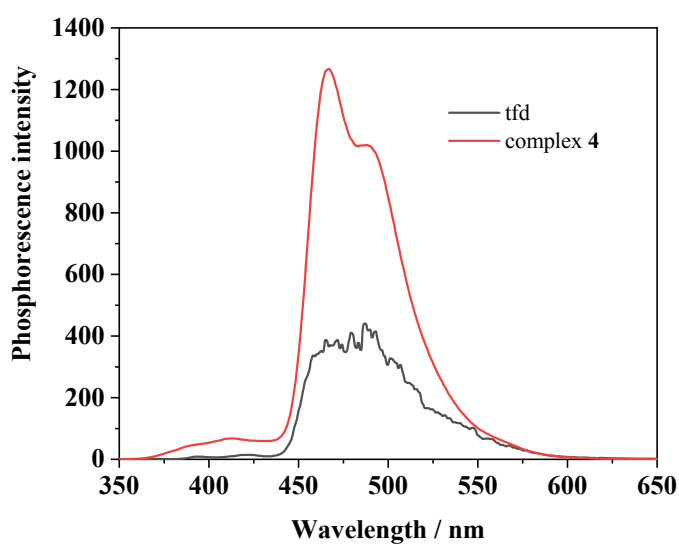


Figure S15. Phosphorescence spectra of tfd (black line) and complexes **4** (red line) in acetonitrile solutions at 77K.

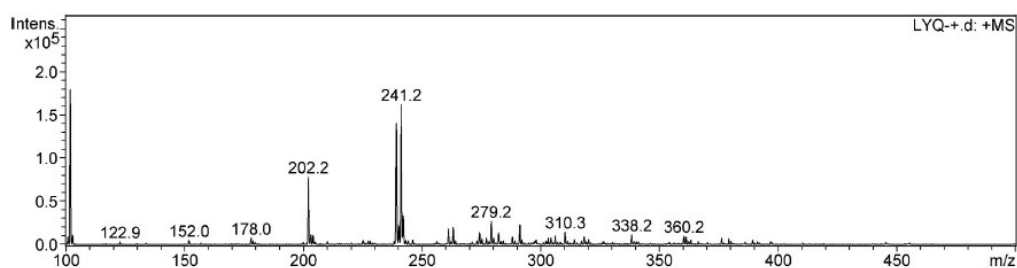


Figure S16. ESI mass spectrum of L1 in methanol solution.

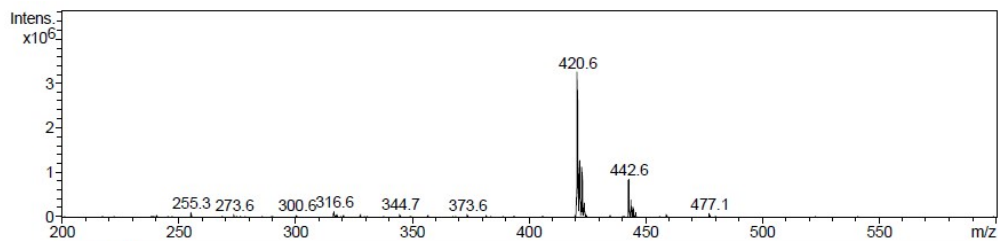


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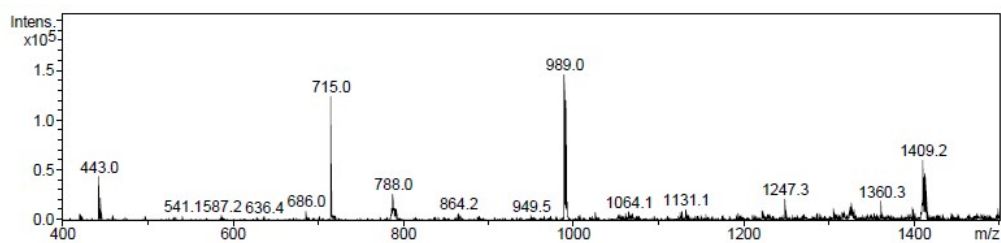


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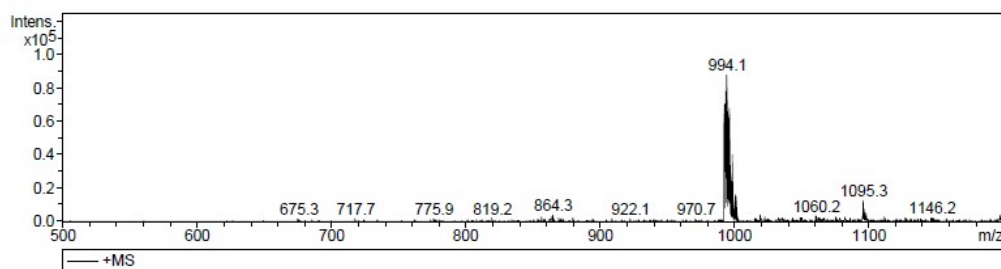


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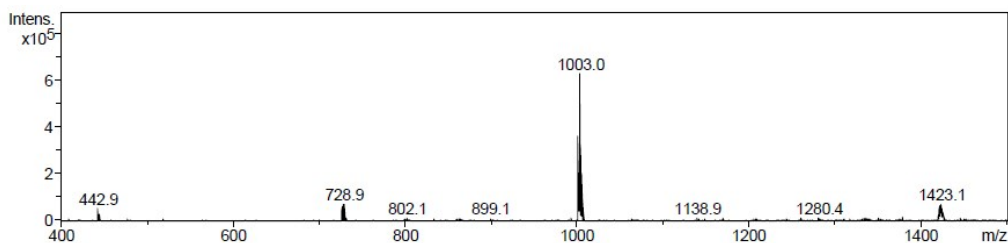


Figure S20. ESI mass spectrum of complex **3** in methanol solution.

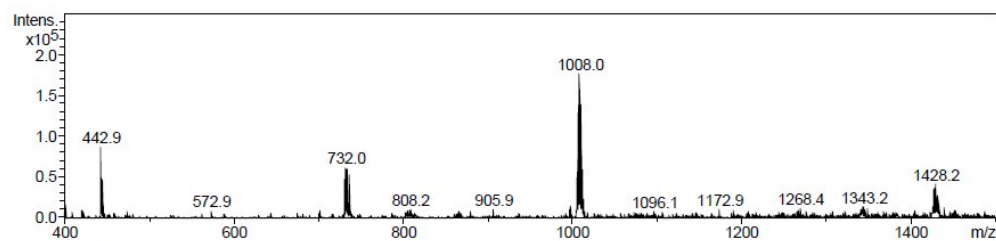


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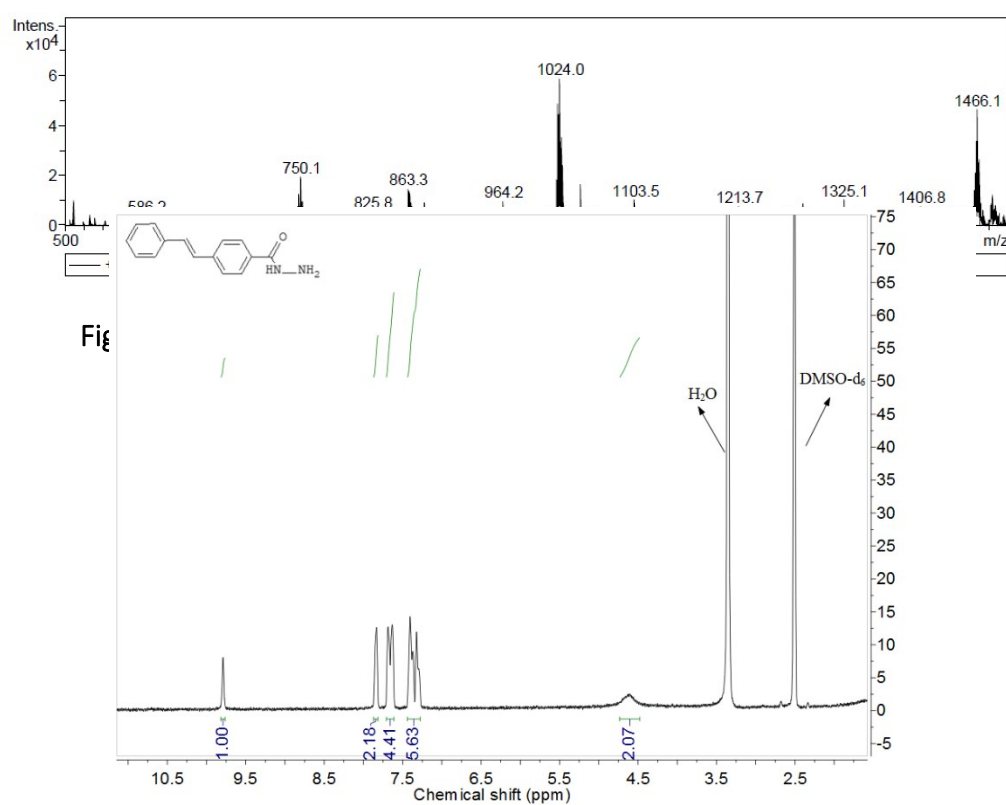
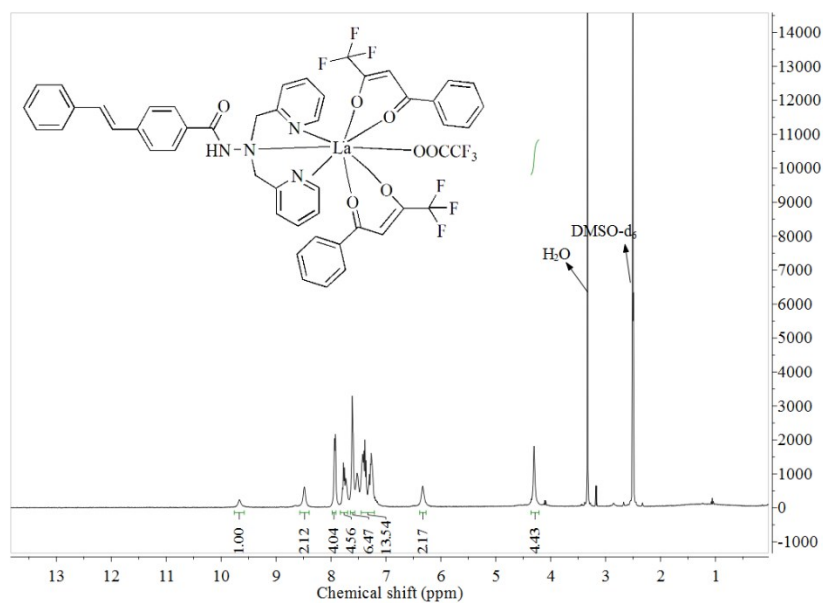
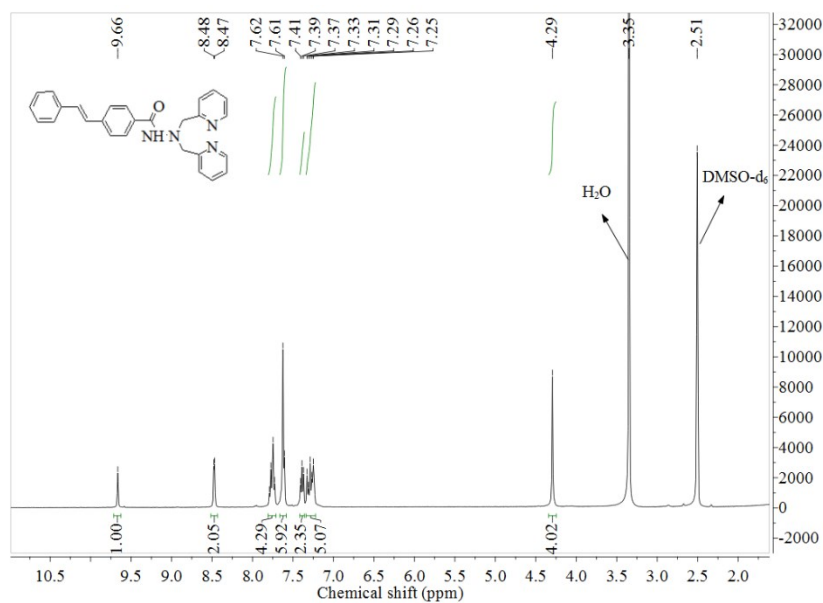


Figure S22. ^1H NMR spectrum of L1 in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$.



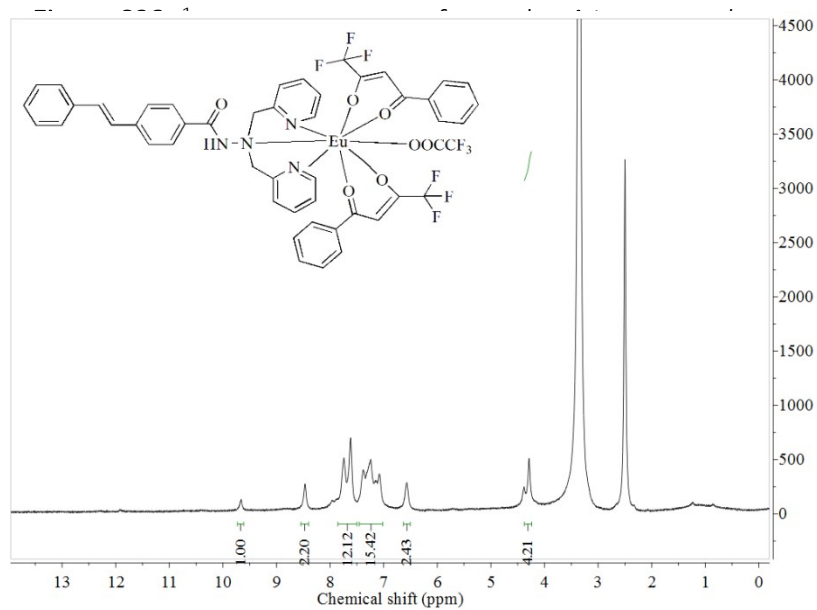


Figure S24. ^1H NMR spectrum of complex **3** in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$.

