## **Supporting Information**

## Highly Selective and Sensitive Fluorescent Zeolitic Imidazole Frameworks Sensor for

## **Nitroaromatic Explosive Detection**

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Section S1. Adsorption-desorption isotherms of ZIF-8 and ZnQ@ZIF-8



Figure S1: N<sub>2</sub> adsorption (closed symbols)–desorption (open symbols) isotherms for ZIF-8 (black) and ZnQ@ZIF-8 (red) at 77 K

Section S2. GC/MS analysis of the extracted from acid dissolved ZnQ@ZIF-8



Figure S2: Chromatogram of the extracted from acid dissolved ZnQ@ZIF-8. The inset figures are the mass spectra of 2-MIM and 8-Q, respectively.

## Section S3. Fluorescence optical images for ZnQ@ZIF-8 coated filter papers

1 ppm TNT	<b>No TNT</b> 100 µm	10 ppm TNT	No TNT	20 ppm TNT	No TNT	30 ppm TNT	No TNT
40 ppm TNT	No TNT	80 ppm	TNT No TNT	100 ppm TNT	No T <u>NT</u>	1000 ppm TNT	No TNT

Figure S3. Flouresence optical images of ZnQ@ZIF-8 coated filter papers at different TNT concentations,

images are collected at emission wavelenght of 455 nm.

Section S4. Fluorescence optical images for ZnQ@ZIF-8 coated filter papers upon addition of 99% ACN, 1000 ppm 3NT, 1000 ppm RDX, 1000 ppm 2,4-DNT and 1000 ppm 2,6-DNT

ACN		RDX 1000 ppm	3 NT	1000 ppm
	<u>100 µm</u>		Will S	
2,4 DNT	1000 ppm	2,6 DNT 1000 ppm	TNT	1000 ppm
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Figure S4. Flouresence optical images of ZnQ@ZIF-8 coated filter papers with different nitroaromatic compounds (99% ACN, 1000 ppm 3NT, 1000 ppm RDX , 1000 ppm 2,4-DNT and 1000 ppm 2,6-DNT),

images are collected at emission wavelenght of 455 nm.