# Electronic Supporting Information (ESI)

# A Cd-MOF fluorescence sensor with dual functional sites for efficient detection of metal ions in multifarious water environments

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## **S1.** Experimental section

### S1.1 Materials and methods

The ligand Htpc was synthesized by a modified literature method.<sup>S1-S3</sup> Other chemicals were obtained commercially and used as received. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) were performed on a D/MAX-rA (Rigaku) diffractometer with Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.542$  Å) with a scan rate of 4 °/min at 36 kV and 20 mA. X-ray photoelectron spectrums (XPS) were performed **ESCALAB** Xi+. on Thermogravimetric (TG) analyses were performed on TGA550 instrument at a heating rate of 20 °C/min from 50 °C to 800 °C under nitrogen atmosphere. FT-IR spectra were conducted with a NICOLET iS50 FT-IR spectrometer. UV-Vis measurements were carried out by a UV- 3600 Plus spectrophotometer. Luminescence lifetimes were carried out on a FLS1000 spectrophotometer analyzer of Edinburgh instruments. Fluorescence sensing properties were performed on the Hitachi F-7000 fluorescence spectrophotometer.

#### S1.2 Syntheses of LCU-109

A mixture of CdCl<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O (220.1 mg, 1.2 mmol), Pyrazine dicyanide (65 mg, 1.0 mmol), NaN<sub>3</sub> (65 mg, 1.0 mmol), NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2.5 mg, 0.003mmol) and H<sub>3</sub>btc (35.7 mg, 0.17 mmol) with 15 mL of water was sealed in a 25 mL Teflon-lined stainless steel autoclave and heated to 140 °C. The autoclave was kept at 140 °C for 3 days and then cooled to room at a cooling rate of 4 °C/h. Yellow block crystals of **LCU-109** were obtained, washed with water, and dried in air. Yield: 29 % based on Cd. Elemental analysis (%) for **LCU-109**,  $C_{15}H_{11}Cd_2N_7O_9$  (M = 658.11): Calcd.: C, 27.36; H, 1.68;

N, 14.90; Found: C, 37.48; H, 1.61; N, 14.85. The FT-IR spectra see Fig. S1 in ESI.

#### S1.3 X-ray crystallography

Single crystal X-ray diffraction measurement was carried out on a Rigaku SCXmini diffractometer and determined at 298(2) K with Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å). The crystal data were solved by direct methods and refined by a full-matrix leastsquare method on  $F^2$  using the SHELXL-97 crystallographic software packages. Cd atoms in LCU-109 were found from E-maps and other non-hydrogen atoms were located in successive difference Fourier syntheses. The final refinement was performed by full matrix least-squares methods with anisotropic thermal parameters for non-hydrogen atoms on  $F^2$ . The hydrogen atoms of organic ligands were added theoretically, riding on the concerned atoms and refined with fixed thermal factors. The hydrogen atoms of coordinated H<sub>2</sub>O and free H<sub>2</sub>O were added by successive difference Fourier syntheses. During the refinement of the compound, the command "omit -1 50.04" was used to omit some disagreeable reflections. Further details of crystal data and structure refinement for LCU-109 were summarized as follows in Table S1. Selected bond lengths of LCU-109 were given in Table S2. Full crystallographic data for LCU-109 have been deposited with the CCDC (No.: 2095374). These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data request/cif.

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement parameters for LCU-109.

MOF		LCU-109	
Formula	$C_{15}H_{11}Cd_2N_7O_9$	γ [°]	80.6270(10)
$F_{ m w}$	658.11	V (Å3)	940.00(15)
$\lambda/ m \AA$	0.71073	Ζ	2
T/K	298(2)	$D_c/Mg/m^3$	2.325
Crystal system	Triclinic	F(000)	636
Space group	P-1	Reflections collected/unique	4623/3258
<i>a</i> [Å]	8.3887(7)	Rint	0.0724
<i>b</i> [Å]	10.3405(9)	Data/Restraints/Parameters	3258/3/298
<i>c</i> [Å]	11.1345(11)	$R_{1/W}R_{2} [I > 2\sigma(I)]^{a}$	0.0930/0.2815
α[°]	80.6520(10)	$R_{1/w}R_{2}$ [(all data)] <sup>b</sup>	0.1012/0.3073
β[°]	89.883(2)	GOF on $F^2$	0.957
$aR_1 = \Sigma(  F_0  -  F_0 )$	$  )/\Sigma F_0 ; \ ^b wR_2 = [\Sigma w]$	$( F_0 ^2 -  F_C ^2)^2 / (\Sigma w  F_0 ^2)^2]^{1/2}.$	

N(5)-Cd(2)#1	2.499(10)	Cd(1)-O(6)#4	2.229(9)
O(3)-Cd(2)#2	2.286(8)	Cd(1)-O(4)#2	2.277(9)
O(4)-Cd(1)#2	2.277(9)	Cd(1)-O(2)	2.280(8)
O(6)-Cd(1)#3	2.229(9)	Cd(1)-O(1W)	2.290(9)
N(4)-Cd(2)#1	2.433(8)	Cd(1)-N(2)	2.331(9)
Cd(1)-O(5)#4	2.605(11)	Cd(2)-O(1)	2.342(9)
Cd(2)-O(3)#2	2.286(8)	Cd(2)-N(3)	2.398(10)
Cd(2)-O(2W)	2.295(10)	Cd(2)-N(4)#1	2.434(8)
O(5)-Cd(1)#3	2.605(10)	Cd(2)-N(5)#1	2.499(10)

O(6)#4-Cd(1)-O(4)#2	99.3(4)	O(4)#2-Cd(1)-N(2)	83.4(3)
O(6)#4-Cd(1)-O(2)	141.8(3)	O(2)-Cd(1)-N(2)	113.1(3)
O(4)#2-Cd(1)-O(2)	86.3(3)	O(1W)-Cd(1)-N(2)	91.2(3)
O(6)#4-Cd(1)-O(1W)	91.8(4)	O(6)#4-Cd(1)-O(5)#4	53.0(3)
O(4)#2-Cd(1)-O(1W)	168.6(3)	O(4)#2-Cd(1)-O(5)#4	102.7(3)
O(2)-Cd(1)-O(1W)	86.7(4)	O(2)-Cd(1)-O(5)#4	88.8(3)
O(6)#4-Cd(1)-N(2)	105.1(4)	O(1W)-Cd(1)-O(5)#4	86.1(3)
O(3)#2-Cd(2)-O(2W)	88.7(4)	N(2)-Cd(1)-O(5)#4	157.7(3)
O(3)#2-Cd(2)-O(1)	84.0(3)	N(3)-Cd(2)-N(4)#1	88.4(3)
O(2W)-Cd(2)-O(1)	163.7(3)	O(3)#2-Cd(2)-N(5)#1	75.6(3)
O(3)#2-Cd(2)-N(3)	127.3(3)	O(2W)-Cd(2)-N(5)#1	98.6(4)
O(2W)-Cd(2)-N(3)	93.5(4)	O(1)-Cd(2)-N(5)#1	93.6(3)
O(1)-Cd(2)-N(3)	79.6(3)	N(3)-Cd(2)-N(5)#1	154.5(3)
O(3)#2-Cd(2)-N(4)#1	144.2(3)	N(4)#1-Cd(2)-N(5)#1	69.2(3)
O(2W)-Cd(2)-N(4)#1	90.7(4)	O(1)-Cd(2)-N(4)#1	103.7(3)



Fig. S1 IR spectrum of LCU-109 soaked in water solutions containing  $Fe^{3+}$  or  $Cu^{2+}$  for three days.



Fig. S2 The emission spectra of H<sub>3</sub>btc in the solid state at room temperature ( $\lambda_{ex} = 348$  nm).



Fig. S3 PXRD of LCU-109 soaked in water solutions containing  $Fe^{3+}$  or  $Cu^{2+}$  for three days.





Fig. S5 A picture of LCU-109 under a microscope.



Fig. S6 (a) 3D stacked structure of LCU-109. (b) The hole of LCU-109 along the b axis.



Fig. S7 Luminescence intensities of LCU-109 in water solutions with different cations  $(10^{-3} \text{ M})$ .



Fig. S8 Luminescence intensities of LCU-109 in actual water samples with different cations  $(10^{-3} \text{ M})$ .





Fig. S10 Time response for  $Cu^{2+}$  recognition of LCU-109.



Fig. S11 Recyclability of LCU-109 after five runs of sensing  $Fe^{3+}$  ions.



Fig. S12 Recyclability of LCU-109 after five runs of sensing  $Cu^{2+}$  ions.



Fig. S13 The emission spectra of LCU-109 relative to different kinds of ferric salts.



Fig. S14 The emission spectra of LCU-109 relative to different kinds of copper salts.



Fig. S15 Luminous test papers of LCU-109 prepared by soaking in different concentrations of  $Cu^{2+}$  aqueous solutions under 365 nm UV lamp.



Fig. S16 Photos of LCU-109 soaked in different concentrations of  $Fe^{3+}$  /  $Cu^{2+}$  aqueous solution under 365 nm UV lamp.



Fig. S17 (a) SEM images of LCU-109. (b)-(e) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, and O. (f) The element ratio of LCU-109 untreated and treated with different concentrations of  $Fe^{3+}$  or  $Cu^{2+}$  aqueous solution.



Fig. S18 (a) SEM images of LCU-109 treated with 1 mM  $Fe^{3+}$  aqueous solution. (b)-(f) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, O and Fe.



Fig. S19 (a) SEM images of LCU-109 treated with 5 mM  $Fe^{3+}$  aqueous solution. (b)-(f) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, O and Fe.



**Fig. S20** (a) SEM images of **LCU-109** treated with 10 mM Fe<sup>3+</sup> aqueous solution. (b)-(f) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, O and Fe.



**Fig. S21** (a) SEM images of **LCU-109** treated with 1 mM Cu<sup>2+</sup> aqueous solution. (b)-(f) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, O and Cu.



**Fig. S22** (a) SEM images of **LCU-109** treated with 5 mM Cu<sup>2+</sup> aqueous solution. (b)-(f) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, O and Cu.



**Fig. S23** (a) SEM images of **LCU-109** treated with 10 mM Cu<sup>2+</sup> aqueous solution. (b)-(f) EDS mapping images of selected regions: Cd, C, N, O and Cu.

Fe <sup>3+</sup>						
MOFs/Guidelines	$K_{\rm SV}/{\rm M}^{-1}$	LODs/ppm	Medium	Refs.		
			used			
LCU-109	$5.71 \times 10^{4}$	0.0043	H <sub>2</sub> O	This		
				work		
$[Zn_2(tpeb)(bpdc)_2]$	1.326×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.0494	H <sub>2</sub> O	S4		
[Zn <sub>2</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> (TPHC)(4,4'-Bipy)(DMF)]·8H <sub>2</sub> O	$5.77 \times 10^{4}$	0.358	DMF	S5		
MIL-53(Al)		0.0504	H <sub>2</sub> O	S6		
$[Cd_2(L)(BPDC)_2] \cdot DMF \cdot 9H_2O$	$1.08 \times 10^{4}$	0.297	DMF	S7		
ZnMOF-74	$1.35 \times 10^{7}$	0.300	H <sub>2</sub> O	<b>S</b> 8		

**Table S3.** The  $K_{sv}$  values and LODs comparison for sensing Fe<sup>3+</sup>.

$[Mg_2(APDA)_2(H_2O)_3] \cdot 5DMA \cdot 5H_2O$	2.06×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.152	DMF	S9
[Cd(bipa)] <sub>n</sub>	1.9×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.076	H <sub>2</sub> O	S10
ZSTU-1	2.69×10 <sup>6</sup>	0.0036	H <sub>2</sub> O	S11
$[Zn_{1.5}(dttz)(Hdpa)]_n$	1.79×10 <sup>4</sup>	1.45	DMF	S12
[Cd(Hcbic)] <sub>n</sub>	1.8×10 <sup>5</sup>	1.74	H <sub>2</sub> O	S13
$[Zn_5(hfipbb)_4(trz)_2(H_2O)_2]$	4.1×10 <sup>5</sup>	10.08	H <sub>2</sub> O	S14
$[Zn_2(TPOM)(NDC)_2]$ ·3.5H <sub>2</sub> O	1.9×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.112	H <sub>2</sub> O	S15
Cd <sub>3</sub> (Hdcapdc) <sub>2</sub>	1.04×10 <sup>4</sup>	5.798	H <sub>2</sub> O	S16
r-PDANPs		0.0084	H <sub>2</sub> O	S17
L	$1.44 \times 10^{3}$	0.550	DMSO/	S18
			H <sub>2</sub> O	
PMDA-TAPB	$1.087 \times 10^{4}$	0.0202	DMF	S19
TT-COF	5.63×10 <sup>3</sup>	0.0469	EtOH	S20

Table S4.	The $K_{\rm sv}$	values	and LODs o	comparison	for s	sensing	$Cu^{2+}$	•
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	Cu <sup>2+</sup>			
MOFs/Guidelines	$K_{\rm SV}/{\rm M}^{-1}$	LODs/ppm	Medium	Refs
			used	
LCU-109	2.81×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.0028	H <sub>2</sub> O	This
				work
$[Zn_2(L)_2(2,2'-bipy)_2]$	2.82×10 <sup>3</sup>	1.04	DMF	S21
[Zn(L)(4,4'-bipy)]	2.41×10 <sup>3</sup>	2.57	DMF	S21
NH <sub>2</sub> -MIL-125(Ti)	3.2×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.0403	H <sub>2</sub> O	S22
$[Cd(L)(atpa)]_n$	8.89×10 <sup>3</sup>	0.0768	H <sub>2</sub> O	S23
MIL-53-L	6.15×10 <sup>3</sup>		H <sub>2</sub> O	S24

${[Nd_2(NH_2-BDC)_3(DMF)_4]}_n$		1.397	DMF	S25
$[Eu(pdc)_{1.5}(dmf)] \cdot (DMF)_{0.5}(H_2O)_{0.5}$	89.4		DMF	S26
Cd-MOF-74	$1.806 \times 10^{3}$	5	H <sub>2</sub> O	S27
Zr <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> (TCPP-H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	4.5×10 <sup>5</sup>	0.0043	H <sub>2</sub> O	S28
NH <sub>2</sub> -MIL-101(Al)@ZIF-8		0.0109	H <sub>2</sub> O	S29
Eu(bcpba)	5.7×10 <sup>4</sup>	31.87	DMF	S30
L	3.32×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.674	DMSO/	S18
			$H_2O$	
Alkyne-modified AuNPs		0.369	H <sub>2</sub> O	S31
CorMeO-COF	4.68×10 <sup>4</sup>	0.0718	THF	S32
Silica nanoparticles		0.0254	HEPES	S33

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