

Tuning the luminescence efficiency by perfluorination of side chains in Eu^{3+} complexes with β -diketones of thiophene series.

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Supporting Information

Preparation of complexes $[Gd(L)_3] \cdot nMeOH$.

General method.

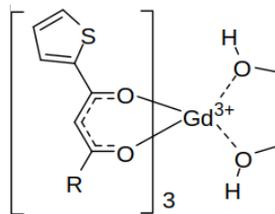


Fig. S1 Chemical structure of $[Gd(L)_3] \cdot nMeOH$ ($R=CHF_2, C_3F_7-C_5F_{11}$)

A solution of $GdCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (111 mg, 0.3 mmol) in 2 mL of deionized water was treated in a plastic centrifuge tube with 0.3 mL of concentrated aqueous ammonia solution and the slurry was shaken mechanically in a closed tube for 2 min. Then 10 mL of deionized water was added and the suspension was centrifuged at 11000 rpm for 10 min. The supernatant was discarded, and the precipitate was washed twice with 10 mL of deionized water and three times with 10 mL of MeOH. Each time the precipitate was first re-suspended in the washing liquid and then centrifuged at 11000 rpm for 10 min. A corresponding diketone (0.9 mmol) was dissolved in 10 mL of anhydrous MeOH with stirring and heating. This solution was added to the solid $Gd(OH)_3 \cdot nMeOH$ in the same centrifuge tube, and the closed tube was shaken at 45°C until a clear solution was obtained. This solution was centrifuged at 11000 rpm for 10 min and the supernatant was transferred into a Schlenk tube and evaporated at 40°C under reduced pressure. The resulting solid was redissolved in 10 mL of anhydrous MeOH and evaporated again. This operation was repeated twice, and the resulting glass was finally dried at 10^{-3} Torr and 45°C to a constant weight. It was stored in dry nitrogen atmosphere to prevent MeOH/ H_2O exchange due to air moisture.

$[Gd(ThCHF_2)_3] \cdot nMeOH$ (**2d**). Brown glass. Yield 0.23 g. For $C_{26}H_{23}F_6GdO_8S_3$ ($[Gd(ThCHF_2)_3(MeOH)_2]$, FW 830.89) calcd.(%) C, 37.58; H, 2.78; Gd, 18.93; found (%) C, 38.31; H, 3.23; Gd, 17.88; $n \approx 1.3$.

$[Gd(ThC_3F_7)_3] \cdot nMeOH$ (**5d**). Yellow glass. Yield 0.345 g. For $C_{32}H_{20}F_{21}GdO_8S_3$ ($[Gd(ThC_3F_7)_3(MeOH)_2]$, FW 1184.91) calcd.(%) C, 37.44; H, 1.70; F, 33.67; Gd, 13.23; found (%) C, 33.36; H, 2.39; F, 31.34; Gd, 12.42; $n \approx 2.5$.

$[Gd(ThC_4F_9)_3] \cdot nMeOH$ (**6d**). Red-brown glass. Yield 0.336 g. For $C_{35}H_{20}F_{27}GdO_8S_3$ ($[Gd(ThC_4F_9)_3(MeOH)_2]$, FW 1334.94) calcd.(%) C, 31.49; H, 1.51; F, 38.43; Gd, 11.78; found (%) C, 33.38; H, 2.35; F, 37.40; Gd, 11.49; $n \approx 3.1$.

$[Gd(ThC_5F_{11})_3] \cdot nMeOH$ (**7d**). Brown glass. Yield 0.374 g. For $C_{38}H_{20}F_{33}GdO_8S_3$ ($[Gd(ThC_5F_{11})_3(MeOH)_2]$, FW 1484.95) calcd.(%) C, 30.78; H, 1.36; F, 42.22; Gd, 10.59; found (%) C, 31.44; H, 2.17; F, 38.96; Gd, 9.73; $n \approx 3.8$.

Optimized ground state geometries of 1a-10a calculated using RM1 model

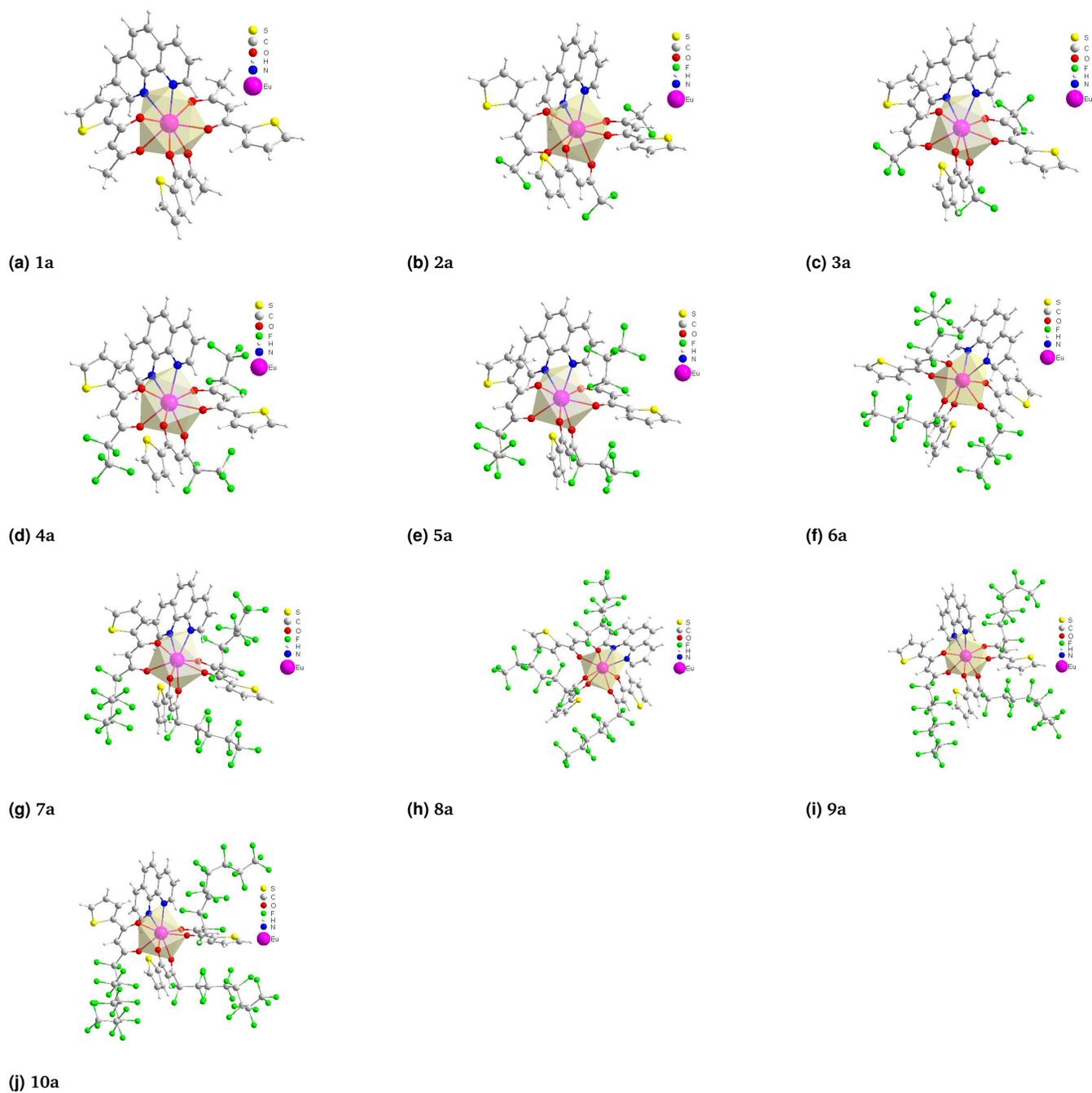


Fig. S2 Optimized ground state geometries of 1a-10a calculated using RM1 model

Predictive ability of Sparkle methods for the geometry of coordination polyhedra for 1a-3a, 5a and 6a

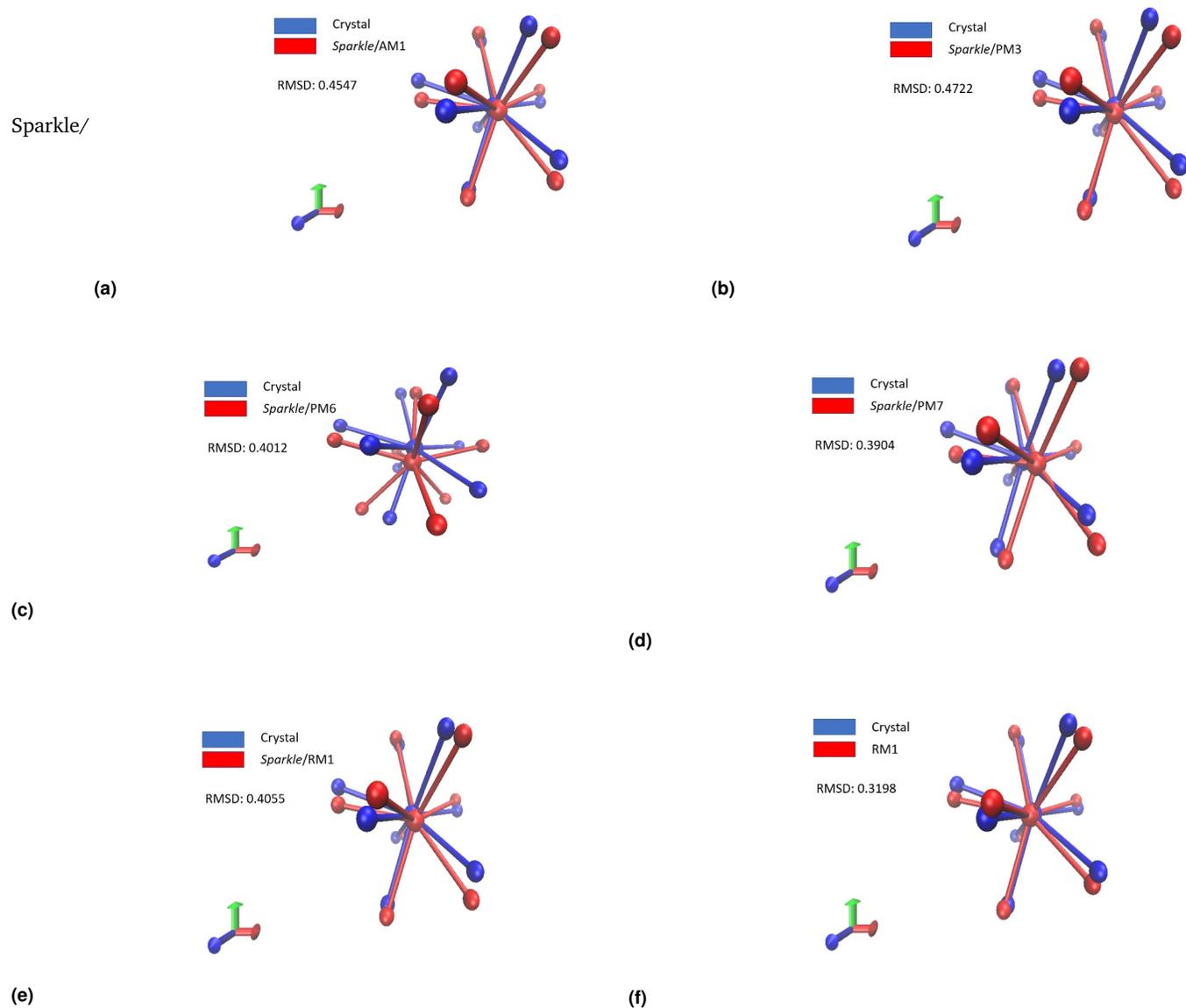


Fig. S3 Coordination polyhedra for complex **1a** (calculated and X-ray data).

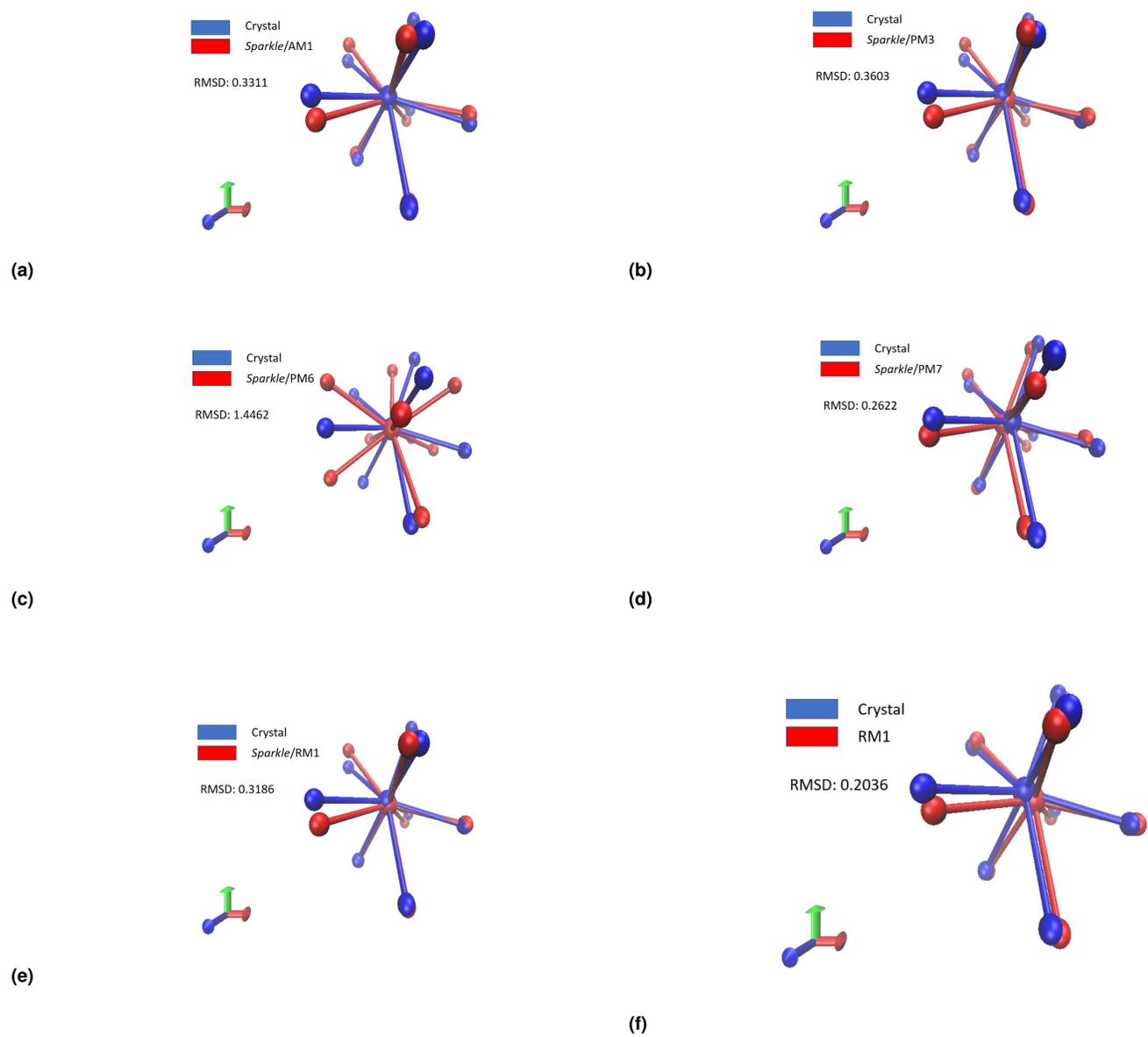


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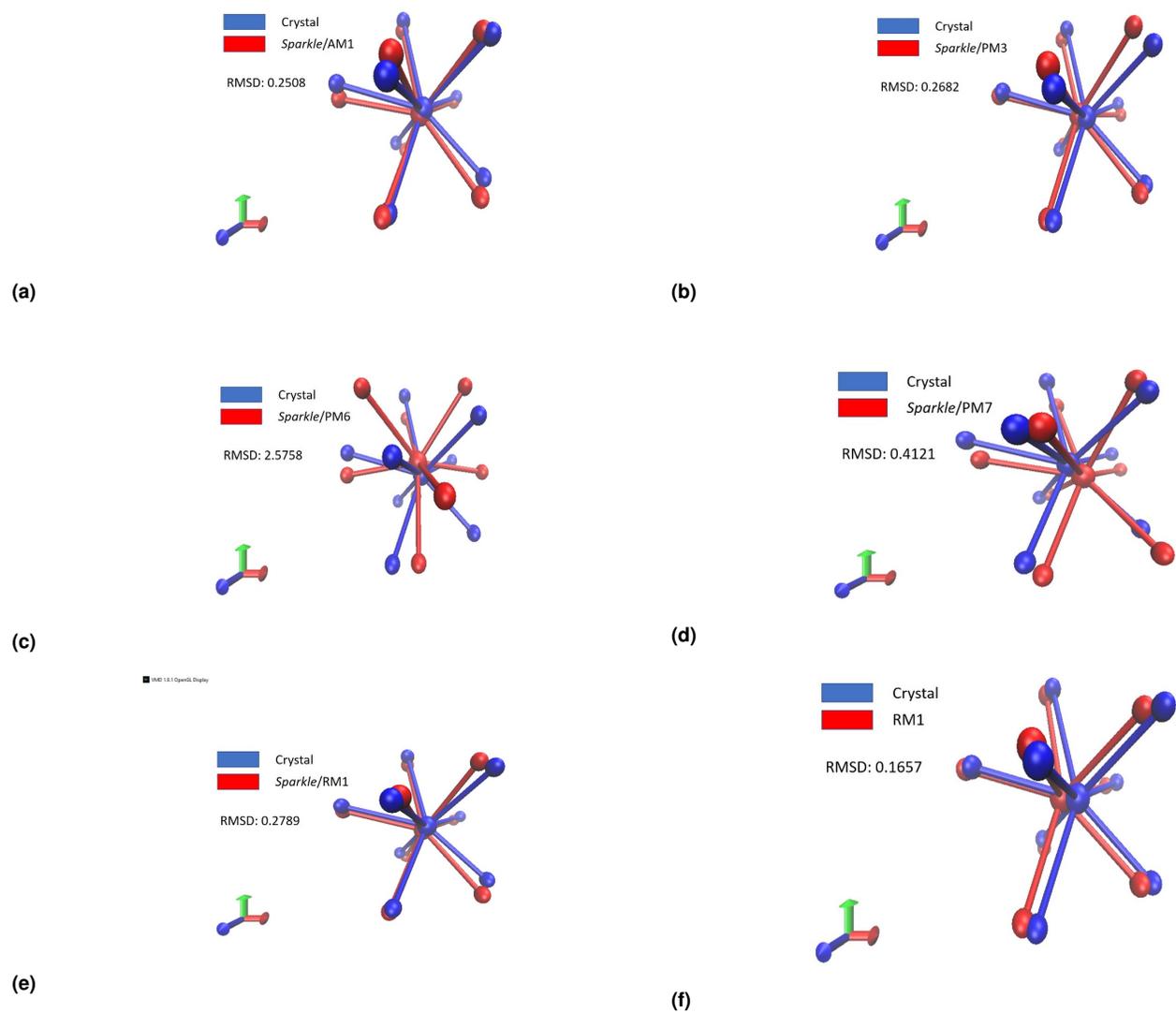


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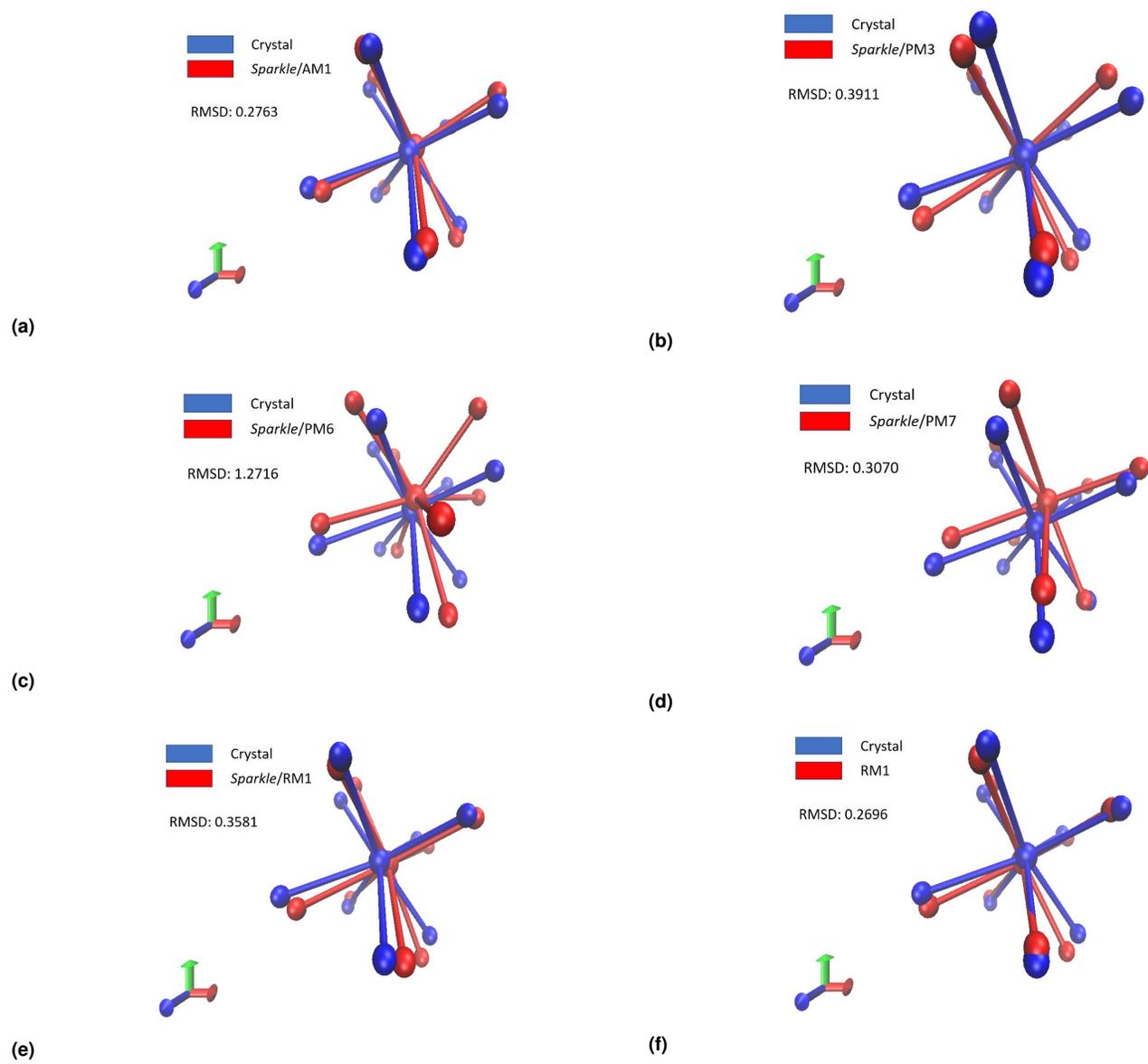


Fig. S6 Coordination polyhedra for complex **5a** (calculated and X-ray data).

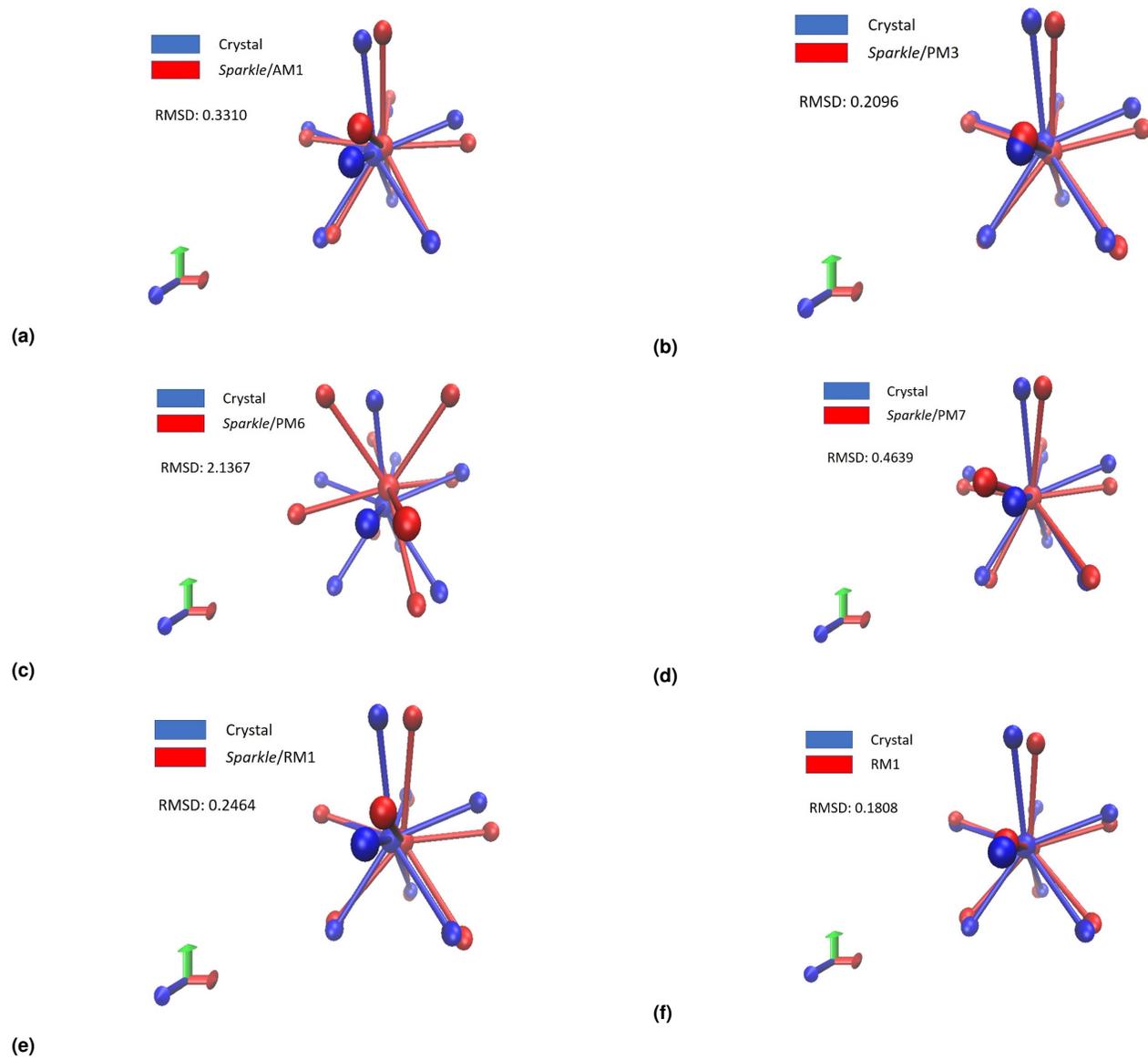


Fig. S7 Coordination polyhedra for complex **6a** (calculated and X-ray data).

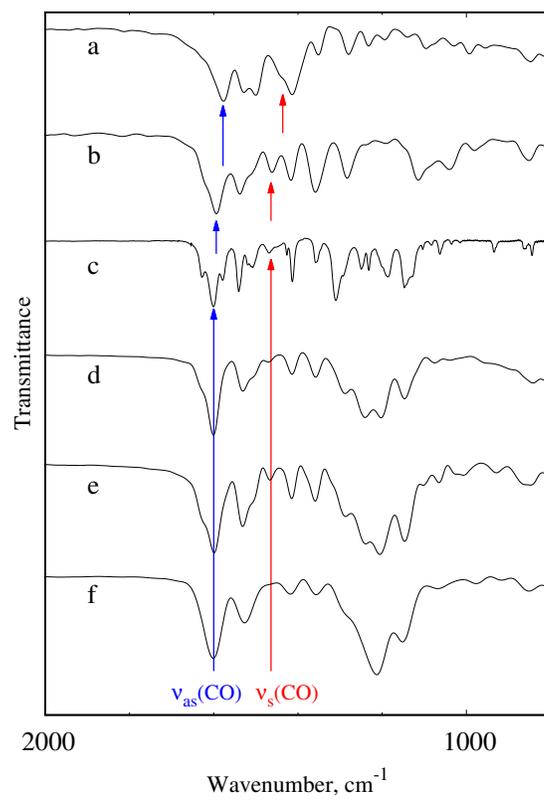


Fig. S8 FTIR-spectra of complexes in KBr **1a** (a), **2a** (b), **3a** (c), **8a** (d), **9a** (e) and **10a** (f).

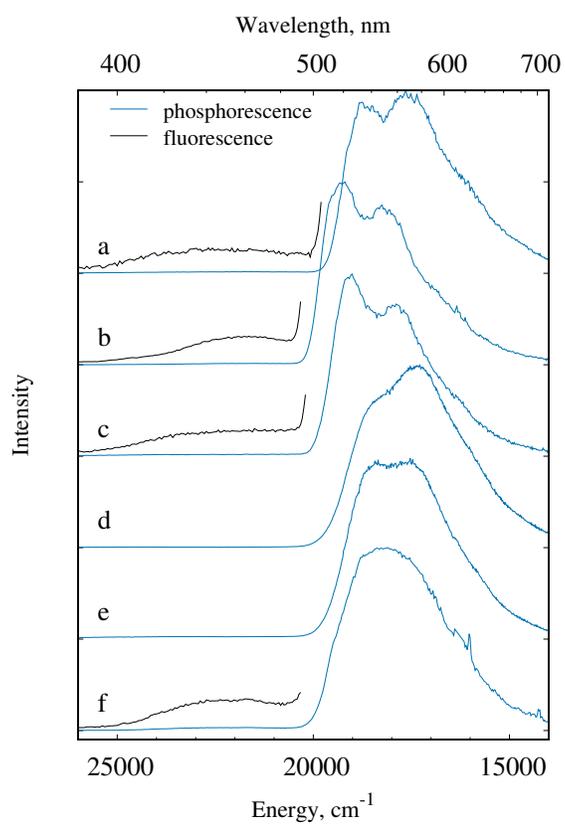
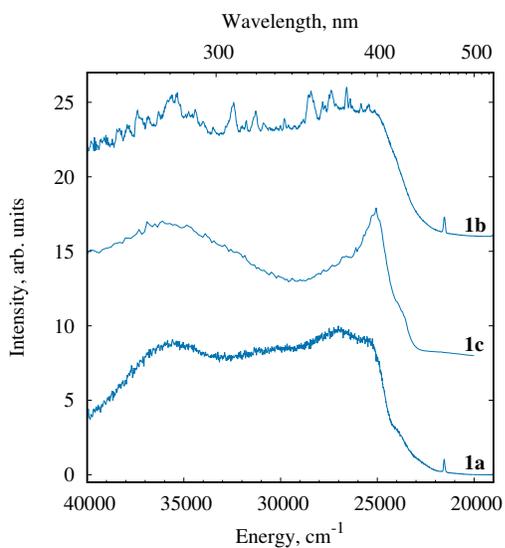
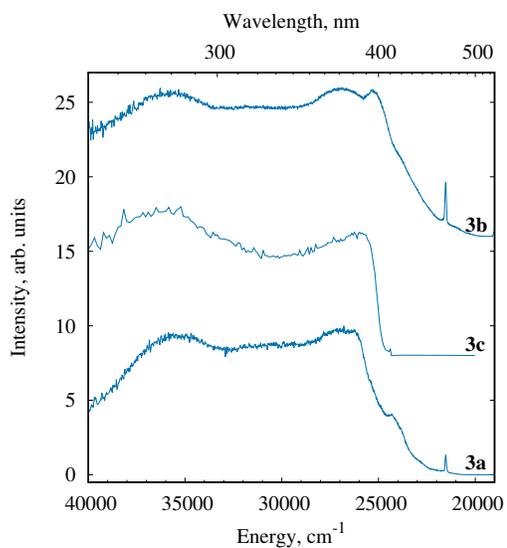


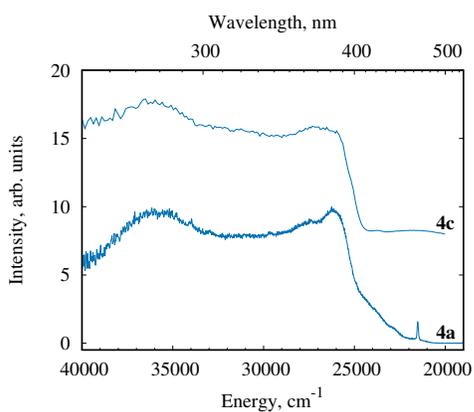
Fig. S9 Solid-state phosphorescence (blue line) and fluorescence (black line) spectra of **1c** (a), **3c** (b), **4c** (c), **8c** (d), **9c** (e) and **10c** (f) at $\lambda_{ex} = 280$ nm and $T=77$ K.



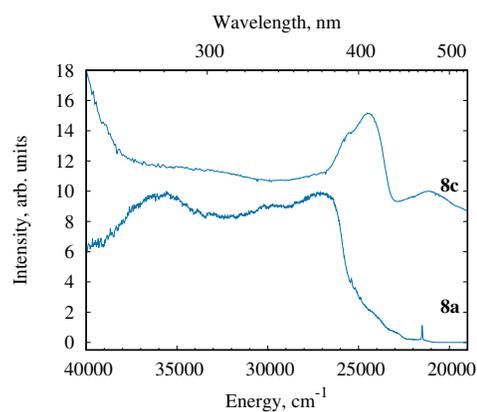
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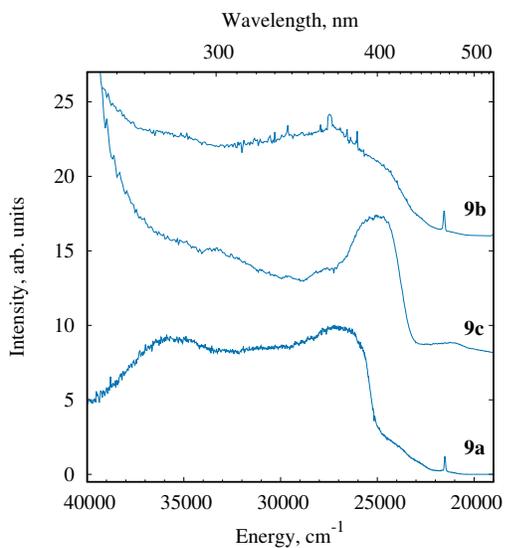
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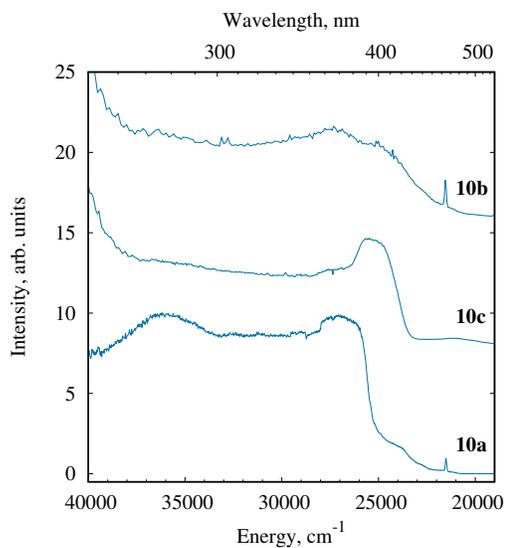
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(f)

Fig. S10 Solid-state excitation spectra of Eu^{3+} and Gd^{3+} compounds.

Table S1 Selected crystal data and parameters for structure refinement of compounds **1a-3a**, **5a** and **6a**

| | 1a | 2a | 3a·Me₂CO | 5a | 6a |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|
| CCDC | 2081275 | 2081276 | 2081277 | 2088575 | 2088576 |
| Empirical formula | C ₃₆ H ₂₉ EuN ₂ O ₆ S ₃ | C ₃₆ H ₂₃ EuF ₆ N ₂ O ₆ S ₃ | C ₃₉ H ₂₆ EuF ₉ N ₂ O ₇ S ₃ | C ₄₂ H ₂₀ EuF ₂₁ N ₂ O ₆ S ₃ | C ₄₅ H ₂₀ EuF ₂₇ N ₂ O ₆ S ₃ |
| Formula weight | 833.75 | 941.70 | 1053.76 | 1295.74 | 1445.77 |
| <i>T</i> (K) | 150(2) | 150(2) | 150(2) | 120(2) | 100(2) |
| Crystal system | triclinic | triclinic | monoclinic | orthorhombic | triclinic |
| Space group | <i>P</i> -1 | <i>P</i> -1 | <i>P</i> 2 ₁ | <i>Pbca</i> | <i>P</i> -1 |
| Crystal size (mm) | 0.15 × 0.10 × 0.06 | 0.02 × 0.02 × 0.08 | 0.25 × 0.20 × 0.05 | 0.37 × 0.31 × 0.16 | 0.40 × 0.27 × 0.20 |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 9.1817(5) | 9.4489(7) | 9.8914(5) | 20.6112(6) | 15.2499(8) |
| <i>b</i> (Å) | 13.0615(7) | 13.2007(11) | 10.6986(5) | 17.9832(5) | 15.6839(8) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 15.0182(8) | 14.8576(11) | 38.1886(18) | 25.1758(8) | 22.6048(11) |
| α , ° | 96.107(2) | 90.152(4) | 90 | 90 | 78.9390(10) |
| β , ° | 92.850(2) | 94.059(3) | 89.992(2) | 90 | 89.6640(10) |
| γ , ° | 104.079(2) | 102.044(3) | 90 | 90 | 79.5320(10) |
| <i>V</i> , Å ³ | 1731.72(16) | 1807.6(2) | 4041.3(3) | 9331.5(5) | 5215.5(5) |
| <i>Z</i> | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 4 |
| <i>D</i> _{calc} (g·cm ⁻³) | 1.599 | 1.73 | 1.732 | 1.845 | 1.841 |
| μ (mm ⁻¹) | 2.04 | 1.988 | 1.801 | 1.612 | 1.469 |
| θ range (°) | 2.46-26.37 | 1.37-27.88 | 1.60-28.28 | 1.00-27.50 | 1.35-27.00 |
| Range of <i>h</i> , <i>k</i> and <i>l</i> | -11→11 | -12→12 | -13→13 | -26→26 | -19→19 |
| | -16→16 | -17→17 | -14→14 | -23→23 | -20→20 |
| | -18→18 | -17→19 | -50→49 | -32→32 | -28→28 |
| <i>T</i> _{min} / <i>T</i> _{max} | 0.602/0.746 | 0.633/0.746 | 0.587/0.746 | 0.585/0.785 | 0.495/0.658 |
| <i>F</i> (000) | 836 | 932 | 2088 | 5072 | 2824 |
| Number of parameters | 436 | 494 | 1116 | 743 | 1594 |
| Reflections collected | 23879 | 16459 | 42018 | 78170 | 66431 |
| Unique reflections | 7066 | 8489 | 19911 | 10719 | 22729 |
| Reflections with <i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>) | 6560 | 6035 | 16463 | 9531 | 16695 |
| <i>R</i> _{int} | 0.1447 | 0.0689 | 0.0442 | 0.0368 | 0.0381 |
| <i>GoodF</i> | 1.053 | 1.016 | 1.105 | 1.1 | 0.997 |
| <i>R</i> ₁ (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)) | 0.0484 | 0.064 | 0.0556 | 0.0704 | 0.0745 |
| <i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)) | 0.1215 | 0.1188 | 0.0914 | 0.1583 | 0.1831 |

Table S2 Selected distances (*d*, Å) and angles (ω , deg.) for **1a-3a**, **5a** and **6a**

| Parameter | 1a | 2a | 3a·Me₂CO | 5a | 6a |
|-----------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|
| Eu-O | 2.343(2)-2.369(3) | 2.335(4)-2.378(4) | 2.347(6)-2.422(6) for Eu1 2.343(6)-2.418(6) for Eu2 | 2.333(4)-2.384(4) | 2.359(5)-2.372(6) for Eu1 2.353(5)-2.369(6) for Eu2 |
| Eu-N | 2.598(3), 2.645(3) | 2.582(5), 2.591(6) | 2.586(7), 2.592(7) for Eu1 2.581(7), 2.596(7) for Eu2 | 2.562(5), 2.602(5) | 2.567(7), 2.584(7) for Eu1 2.578(7), 2.584(6) for Eu2 |
| C-O | 1.254(4)-1.271(4) | 1.251(8)-1.272(7) | 1.255(10)-1.286(10) | 1.251(7)-1.272(8) | 1.249(9)-1.277(11) |
| O-Eu-O | 71.88(8), 72.19(8), 72.94(9) | 71.82(14), 71.88(14), 72.32(15) | 70.9(2)-72.1(2) | 71.48(15), 71.73(15), 72.60(16) | 70.88(19)-71.42(18) |
| N-Eu-N | 62.41(9) | 63.31(17) | 63.4(2), 63.0(2) | 63.08(19) | 63.7(2), 63.8(2) |

Table S3 Selected Continuous Shape Measures (CShM) values for the potential coordination polyhedra of Eu in the structure of complexes **1a-3a**, **5a** and **6a**

| Complex | Square antiprism <i>D</i> _{4d} | Triangular dodecahedron <i>D</i> _{2d} | Biaugmented trigonal prism J50 <i>C</i> _{2v} | Biaugmented trigonal prism <i>C</i> _{2v} |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| 1a | 1.051 | 1.318 | 2.542 | 1.983 |
| 2a | 0.703 | 2.402 | 2.905 | 2.2 |
| 3a·Me₂CO (Eu1/Eu2) | 2.628/2.633 | 0.578/0.591 | 3.017/3.059 | 2.437/2.446 |
| 5a | 0.585 | 2.54 | 2.645 | 2.205 |
| 6a (Eu1/Eu2) | 1.929/3.128 | 0.754/0.381 | 2.884/3.131 | 2.373/2.447 |

Table S4 Selected parameters for π - π interactions in **1a-3a**, **5a** and **6a** (C_g - C_g is the distance between the ring centroids (Å); α is the dihedral angle between planes I and J (deg.); $C_g(I)$ -Perp is the perpendicular distance of $C_g(I)$ on ring J (Å); $C_g(J)$ -Perp is the perpendicular distance of $C_g(J)$ on ring I (Å); Slippage is the distance between $C_g(I)$ and perpendicular projection of $C_g(J)$ on ring I (Å))

| Complex | Rings I and J | C_g - C_g | α | $C_g(I)$ -Perp | $C_g(J)$ -Perp | Slippage |
|----------------------------|--|---------------|----------|----------------|----------------|----------|
| 1a | (N2C30->C34)-(N2C30->C34) [1-x, 2-y, -z] | 3.739(2) | 0.0(2) | 3.419(2) | 3.419(2) | 1.515 |
| 2a | (N1C25->C29)-(N1C25->C29) [1-x, -y, 1-z] | 3.668(4) | 0.0(3) | 3.432(3) | 3.432(3) | 1.294 |
| 3a-Me₂CO | (S5C48-C51)-(N4C66->C70) [x, -1+y, z] | 3.896(6) | 9.5(5) | 3.593(4) | 3.349(4) | 1.99 |
| | (S5C48->C51)-(C64C65C70C69C72C71) [x, -1+y, z] | 3.912(6) | 10.5(5) | 3.603(4) | 3.495(5) | 1.756 |
| | (S2C12-C15)-(N4C66->C70) [x, -1+y, z] | 3.888(6) | 9.4(6) | 3.581(5) | 3.333(4) | 2.002 |
| | (S2C12->C15)-(N4C66->C70) [x, -1+y, z] | 3.913(7) | 10.7(6) | 3.591(5) | 3.508(5) | 1.733 |
| 5a | (N2-C10P->C7P-C12P)-(N2-C10P->C7P-C12P) [1-x, 1-y, 1-z] | 3.822(4) | 0.0(3) | 3.572(3) | 3.573(3) | 1.358 |
| | (N2-C10P->C7P-C12P)-(C4P->C7P-C12P-C11P) [1-x, 1-y, 1-z] | 3.685(4) | 4.1(3) | 3.542(3) | 3.512(3) | 1.117 |
| 6a | (N1B -C34B-C38B->C35B)-(S4->C4B->C7B) | 3.751(5) | 7.5(4) | 3.385(4) | 3.567(3) | 1.164 |
| | (S1-C4A->C7A)-(N1A-C34A-C38A->C35A) [x, y, 1+z] | 3.869(5) | 9.0(4) | 3.332(3) | 3.598(4) | 1.424 |

Table S5 Selected parameters for C-H... π interactions in **1a-3a**, **5a** and **6a** ($C_g(J)$ is the center of gravity of ring J; H-Perp is the perpendicular distance of H to ring plane J (Å); γ is the angle between the C_g -H vector and ring J normal; X-H... C_g is the X-H- C_g angle (deg.); X... C_g is the distance of X to C_g (Å); X-H, Pi is the angle of the X-H bond with the Pi-plane (i.e.' Perpendicular = 90 degrees, Parallel = 0 degrees))

| Complex | Elements of C-H... π | H... C_g | H-Perp | γ | X-H... C_g | X... C_g | X-H, Pi |
|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------------|------------|----------|
| 1a | C5-H5...(C28-C29-C34-C33-C36-C35) [1-x, 2-y, 1-z] | 2.67 | 2.56 | 16.48 | 136 | 3.423(4) | 58 |
| | C6-H6...(N2C30->C34) [1-x, 2-y, 1-z] | 2.91 | 2.77 | 18.22 | 133 | 3.626(5) | 53 |
| | C8-H8C...(S1C4->C7) [1-x, 2-y, 1-z] | 2.91 | -2.84 | 12.75 | 130 | 3.624(5) | 53 |
| | C13-H13...(S1C4->C7) [1-x, 1-y, 1-z] | 2.84 | 2.78 | 12.16 | 141 | 3.626(5) | 57 |
| | 2a | C22-H22...(N1C25-C29) [1-x, -y, -z] | 2.91 | -2.81 | 15.41 | 154 | 3.790(8) |
| 3a-Me₂CO | C32-H32...(S3C20->C23) [x, 1+y, z] | 2.61 | -2.6 | 6.76 | 163 | 3.533(12) | 73 |
| | C78-H78...(S4C40->C43) [x, 1+y, z] | 2.62 | -2.6 | 6.48 | 164 | 3.542(12) | 74 |
| 5a | C6B-H6BA...(S1AC4A->C7A) [-1/2+x, 3/2-y, 1-z] | 2.97 | 2.95 | 6.74 | 132 | 3.671(8) | 49 |
| | C5P-H5PA...(S1AC4A->C7A) [1-x, 1-y, 1-z] | 2.68 | -2.66 | 5.91 | 147 | 3.514(9) | 52 |
| 6a | C16A-H16A...(S4->C4B->C7B) [2-x, -y, 1-z] | 2.63 | 2.61 | 7.80 | 149 | 3.480(9) | 58 |
| | C27'-H27B...(S1-C4A->C7A) [1-x, -y, 1-z] | 2.62 | -2.62 | 2.89 | 152 | 3.489(19) | 59 |
| | C39B-H39B...(S5-C15B->C18B) [1-x, -y, 1-z] | 2.61 | -2.59 | 8.13 | 158 | 3.513(10) | 68 |
| | C19A-F10A...2 [2-x, -y, 1-z] | 3.962(7) | 3.520 | 27.32 | 86.3(5) | 4.102(9) | 1.93 |
| | C33X-F26X...3 [1-x, -y, -z] | 3.64(2) | | 20.79 | 119.5(14) | 4.458(18) | 12.40 |
| | C20A-F12A...(N2A-C44A->C41A-C45A) | 3.182(9) | 3.095 | 13.52 | 158.8(6) | 4.522(13) | 60.20 |
| | C20B-F12B...(N2B-C44B->C41B-C45B) | 3.162(8) | 3.135 | 7.69 | 124.2(6) | 4.107(13) | 37.70 |
| | C31A-F20A...(N1A-C34A-C38A->C35A) | 3.575(9) | -3.513 | 10.68 | 124.4(6) | 4.467(10) | 25.14 |
| | C31A-F21A...(C34A-C38A->C41A-C45A) | 3.233(8) | -3.100 | 16.50 | 131.0(6) | 4.284(11) | 45.69 |
| | C32B-F24B...(N2B-C44B->C41B-C45B) | 3.110(13) | -3.025 | 13.38 | 128.0(9) | 4.075(12) | 38.30 |

Table S6 Selected parameters for the C-H...O, C-H...S and C-H...F intermolecular interactions in **1a-3a**, **5a** and **6a**

| Complex | D-H...A | D-H, Å | H...A, Å | D...A, Å | D-H...A, deg. |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|-----------|---------------|
| 1a | C26-H26...O4 [-1+x, y, z] | 0.95 | 2.41 | 3.297(5) | 156 |
| | C27-H27...O2 [-1+x, y, z] | 0.95 | 2.58 | 3.428(5) | 148 |
| | C30-H30...O6 | 0.95 | 2.53 | 3.136(5) | 122 |
| 2a | C30-H30...O3 | 0.95 | 2.55 | 3.218(8) | 128 |
| | C32-H32...O6 [1+x, y, z] | 0.95 | 2.48 | 3.353(8) | 153 |
| 3a-Me₂CO | C5-H5A...O1S [2-x, -1/2+y, 1-z] | 0.95 | 2.58 | 3.498(14) | 163 |
| | CC27-H27...O2 [-1+x, y, z] | 0.95 | 2.57 | 3.328(13) | 136 |
| | C57-H57...O2S [2-x, -1/2+y, -z] | 0.95 | 2.57 | 3.493(14) | 164 |
| | C63-H63...O12 [-1+x, y, z] | 0.95 | 2.56 | 3.347(12) | 140 |
| | C78-H78...S4A [x, 1+y, z] | 0.95 | 2.82 | 3.60(3) | 140 |
| 5a | C6A-H6AA...O1 [-x+3/2, y-1/2, z] | 0.95 | 2.51 | 3.220 | 131.3 |
| | C7A-H7AA...F5Z [-x+3/2, -y+1, z-1/2] | 0.95 | 2.38 | 3.233 | 149.1 |
| | C6-H6A...F6 [x, -y+3/2, z-1/2] | 0.95 | 2.28 | 3.051 | 137.2 |
| | C2P-H2PA...F5 [x-1/2, y, -z+3/2] | 0.95 | 1.88 | 2.619 | 133.3 |
| | C9P-H9PA...F5B [x, -y+3/2, z-1/2] | 0.95 | 2.53 | 3.257 | 133.5 |
| 6a | C5A-H5AA...F24B [x, y, z+1] | 0.95 | 2.42 | 3.318 | 157.4 |
| | C16A-H16A...S4 [-x+2, -y, -z+1] | 0.95 | 2.88 | 3.778 | 157.7 |
| | C17A-H17A...F17A [-x+2, -y, -z+1] | 0.95 | 2.58 | 3.254 | 128.1 |
| | C27A-H27A...O1B [-x+1, -y, -z+1] | 0.95 | 2.50 | 3.137 | 123.8 |
| | C29A-H29A...F6A [x, y-1, z] | 0.95 | 2.59 | 3.534 | 174.6 |
| | C35A-H35A...O5A | 0.95 | 2.62 | 3.103 | 112.0 |
| | C36A-H36A...F20A [-x+1, -y, -z+1] | 0.95 | 2.49 | 3.427 | 167.4 |
| | C43A-H43A...F21A [-x+1, -y+1, -z+1] | 0.95 | 2.48 | 3.406 | 164.1 |
| | C44A-H44A...O2A | 0.95 | 2.50 | 3.139 | 125.1 |
| | C16B-H16B...O1A [-x+1, -y, -z+1] | 0.95 | 2.49 | 3.143 | 126.2 |
| | C27'-H27B...S1 [-x+1, -y, -z+1] | 0.95 | 3.01 | 3.833 | 145.4 |
| | C28-H28B...F27X [-x+1, -y, -z] | 0.95 | 2.02 | 2.796 | 137.9 |
| | C29'-H29B...F6B [x, y-1, z] | 0.95 | 2.56 | 3.352 | 140.5 |
| | C35B-H35B...O5B | 0.95 | 2.63 | 3.115 | 112.2 |
| | C36B-H36B...F13B [-x+2, -y, -z] | 0.95 | 2.63 | 3.399 | 138.0 |
| | C44B-H44B...O2B | 0.95 | 2.49 | 3.160 | 128.0 |

Table S7 Selected parameters for the S...F and C-F...F-C intermolecular interactions in **2a**, **3a**, **5a** and **6a**

| Complex | Type of interactions | <i>d</i> , Å |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| 2a | S1...F1 [1+x, y, z] | 3.342(5) |
| 3a ·Me ₂ CO | S2...F6 [-1+x,y,z] | 2.960(9) |
| | F1...F4 [x,1+y,z] | 2.927(12) |
| | F6...S2 [1+x,y,z] | 2.960(9) |
| 5a | S1... F7A [x, 3/2-y, -1/2+z] | 3.227(10) |
| | S1B...F1 [-1/2+x, 3/2-y, 1-z] | 3.164(6) |
| | F1... S1B [1/2+x, 3/2-y, 1-z] | 3.164(6) |
| | F1A...F2B [1-x, -1/2+y, 3/2-z] | 2.963(7) |
| | F1A...F5H [1-x, -1/2+y, 3/2-z] | 2.956(13) |
| | F1B...F7' [-1/2+x, y, 3/2-z] | 2.973(19) |
| | F2B... F1A [1-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z] | 2.963(7) |
| 6a | F1B... F25X [1-x, 1-y, -z] | 2.71(3) |
| | F2B...F17' | 2.866(11) |
| | F6B...F25X [1-x, 1-y, -z] | 2.67(3) |
| | F16B...F16B [2-x, -y, 1-z] | 2.721(17) |
| | F18B...F24X [1+x, y, z] | 2.73(2) |
| | F26B... F1A' [x, y, -1+z] | 2.69(2) |
| | F9A...F26A [1-x, 1-y, 1-z] | 2.897(16) |
| | F22A...F15F [1-x, 1-y, -z] | 2.841(13) |
| | F26A...F16' [-1+x, y, z] | 2.763(15) |
| | F17A...F3B | 2.63(3) |

Table S8 Spherical atomic coordinates for the coordination polyhedra of 1a-10a

| Complex | Atom | $R, \text{Å}$ | $\theta, ^\circ$ | $\phi, ^\circ$ | Complex | Atom | $R, \text{Å}$ | $\theta, ^\circ$ | $\phi, ^\circ$ |
|-----------|--------|---------------|------------------|----------------|------------|--------|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1a | N | 2.5229 | 96.00 | 170.29 | 6a | N | 2.4988 | 143.18 | 281.70 |
| | N | 2.5173 | 109.11 | 103.56 | | N | 2.5076 | 149.19 | 82.96 |
| | O | 2.3734 | 19.17 | 164.7 | | O | 2.3799 | 9.91 | 169.17 |
| | O | 2.3749 | 56.14 | 49.45 | | O | 2.3974 | 67.82 | 86.24 |
| | O | 2.3729 | 82.68 | 250.57 | | O | 2.3774 | 69.41 | 312.97 |
| | O | 2.3773 | 70.50 | 318.96 | | O | 2.4008 | 94.16 | 14.85 |
| | O | 2.3731 | 159.76 | 242.11 | | O | 2.3768 | 83.76 | 224.95 |
| O | 2.3780 | 128.81 | 13.71 | O | 2.4005 | 100.61 | 161.28 | | |
| 2a | N | 2.5117 | 62.88 | 283.27 | 7a | N | 2.5112 | 140.00 | 253.72 |
| | N | 2.5117 | 84.89 | 349.32 | | N | 2.4979 | 140.34 | 135.63 |
| | O | 2.3763 | 25.00 | 69.28 | | O | 2.3993 | 117.76 | 353.61 |
| | O | 2.3836 | 52.05 | 184.88 | | O | 2.3774 | 96.43 | 59.35 |
| | O | 2.3766 | 102.50 | 69.11 | | O | 2.3996 | 76.00 | 209.55 |
| | O | 2.3880 | 114.67 | 139.52 | | O | 2.3764 | 61.60 | 140.05 |
| | O | 2.3737 | 161.81 | 322.44 | | O | 2.3937 | 65.93 | 290.93 |
| O | 2.3960 | 116.04 | 230.94 | O | 2.3796 | 25.63 | 16.82 | | |
| 3a | N | 2.5069 | 111.14 | 100.85 | 8a | N | 2.5111 | 137.61 | 258.59 |
| | N | 2.5055 | 93.58 | 167.06 | | N | 2.4977 | 141.33 | 143.28 |
| | O | 2.3991 | 78.40 | 318.82 | | O | 2.3997 | 118.30 | 356.87 |
| | O | 2.3720 | 18.54 | 125.39 | | O | 2.3773 | 99.03 | 63.92 |
| | O | 2.4036 | 65.83 | 40.21 | | O | 2.3995 | 74.01 | 214.27 |
| | O | 2.4011 | 142.25 | 11.47 | | O | 2.3767 | 62.80 | 143.96 |
| | O | 2.3734 | 142.77 | 246.10 | | O | 2.3937 | 63.92 | 296.25 |
| O | 2.3784 | 65.70 | 248.78 | O | 2.3785 | 27.03 | 25.57 | | |
| 4a | N | 2.5067 | 147.35 | 246.42 | 9a | N | 2.5071 | 133.11 | 257.29 |
| | N | 2.5006 | 141.51 | 104.93 | | N | 2.4998 | 148.14 | 138.83 |
| | O | 2.4047 | 116.16 | 351.10 | | O | 2.4014 | 119.83 | 356.02 |
| | O | 2.3728 | 77.60 | 45.61 | | O | 2.3767 | 95.26 | 60.77 |
| | O | 2.3994 | 82.03 | 200.38 | | O | 2.3991 | 69.58 | 213.16 |
| | O | 2.3756 | 69.64 | 133.38 | | O | 2.3748 | 72.04 | 143.25 |
| | O | 2.3912 | 74.55 | 287.54 | | O | 2.3948 | 64.40 | 304.05 |
| O | 2.3824 | 8.76 | 314.67 | O | 2.3802 | 19.99 | 36.51 | | |
| 5a | N | 2.5041 | 76.81 | 201.25 | 10a | N | 2.5068 | 128.06 | 252.87 |
| | N | 2.5049 | 140.91 | 222.09 | | N | 2.4999 | 148.25 | 144.93 |
| | O | 2.3719 | 94.20 | 301.25 | | O | 2.4023 | 123.65 | 351.26 |
| | O | 2.4019 | 30.82 | 281.14 | | O | 2.3756 | 99.53 | 58.16 |
| | O | 2.3735 | 134.29 | 22.06 | | O | 2.3993 | 64.54 | 209.60 |
| | O | 2.4032 | 67.43 | 24.97 | | O | 2.3751 | 72.37 | 138.79 |
| | O | 2.3717 | 114.00 | 116.00 | | O | 2.3938 | 63.41 | 304.86 |
| O | 2.4043 | 48.71 | 117.38 | O | 2.3809 | 24.07 | 37.30 | | |

Table S9 Energy of the ${}^5D_0 \rightarrow {}^7F_0$ transition and energy of the LMCT state of compounds **1a-10a**

| Complex | E_{00}, cm^{-1} | $E_{\text{LMCT}}, \text{cm}^{-1}$ |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1a | 17211 | 23104 |
| 2a | 17204 | 22870 |
| 3a | 17205 | 22934 |
| 4a | 17196 | 22726 |
| 5a | 17202 | 22841 |
| 6a | 17196 | 22855 |
| 7a | 17195 | 22952 |
| 8a | 17193 | 22865 |
| 9a | 17188 | 22914 |
| 10a | 17188 | 22725 |

Table S10 Experimental and theoretical (calculated using the crystallographic structure and the RM1 method) Judd-Ofelt parameters ($\Omega_\lambda, \lambda = 2, 4, 6$)

| Complex | | $\Omega_2, 10^{-20} \text{cm}^2$ | $\Omega_4, 10^{-20} \text{cm}^2$ | $\Omega_6, 10^{-20} \text{cm}^2$ |
|------------|---------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1a | exp | 38.40 | 4.33 | — |
| | crystal | 38.31 | 4.92 | 0.9261 |
| | RM1 | 38.22 | 5.28 | 1.2145 |
| 2a | exp | 24.75 | 7.33 | — |
| | crystal | 24.17 | 8.63 | 1.5332 |
| | RM1 | 24.71 | 7.42 | 0.3944 |
| 3a | exp | 22.99 | 7.34 | — |
| | crystal | 22.98 | 7.34 | 0.2048 |
| | RM1 | 23.00 | 7.53 | 0.2337 |
| 4a | exp | 22.33 | 6.73 | — |
| | crystal | — | — | — |
| | RM1 | 22.26 | 6.91 | 0.5377 |
| 5a | exp | 25.93 | 7.23 | — |
| | crystal | 25.93 | 7.23 | 0.1397 |
| | RM1 | 25.73 | 7.63 | 0.8781 |
| 6a | exp | 24.58 | 5.59 | — |
| | crystal | 24.57 | 5.64 | 0.2333 |
| | RM1 | 24.57 | 5.59 | 0.1602 |
| 7a | exp | 23.47 | 5.28 | — |
| | crystal | — | — | — |
| | RM1 | 23.20 | 6.01 | 1.0827 |
| 8a | exp | 25.23 | 6.86 | — |
| | crystal | — | — | — |
| | RM1 | 24.99 | 7.44 | 1.0032 |
| 9a | exp | 28.38 | 6.31 | — |
| | crystal | — | — | — |
| | RM1 | 28.05 | 7.68 | 1.2004 |
| 10a | exp | 27.75 | 6.20 | — |
| | crystal | — | — | — |
| | RM1 | 27.31 | 7.40 | 1.5297 |