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## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Isotypic lanthanide-organic frameworks and scintillating films with colour-tunable X-ray radioluminescence for imaging applications

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Fig. S1 The powdered X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns of LnOF-1 and LnOF-2.



Fig. S2 The TG&DTA curves of (a) LnOF-1 and (b) LnOF-2.



Fig. S3 The bridging modes of bmb<sup>-</sup> ligand.



**Fig. S4** (a) The asymmetric unit of LnOF-2. The symmetric codes for compound: #1 x, 3/2 - y, 1/2 + z; #2 x, 1/2 - y, -1/2 + z; #3 1 - x, 1/2 + y, 1/2 - z; #4 1 - x, -1/2 + y, 1/2 - z. (b) Illustration of the complete crystal structure of LnOF-2. (c) The coordination condition and connection mode of Eu<sup>3+</sup> in the *bc* plane. (d) The distance between two benzimidazole groups from the adjacent layered structure is ca. 3.620 Å. Color code: Eu (olive green), O (red), N (blue), C (gray). For clarity, all hydrogen atoms are omitted.



Fig. S5 The photoluminescence spectra of (a) LnOF-1 ( $\lambda_{ex} = 314 \text{ nm}$ ) and (b) LnOF-2 ( $\lambda_{ex} = 312 \text{ nm}$ ).



Fig. S6 The photoluminescence decay curves of (a) LnOF-1 and (b) LnOF-2.



Fig. S7 The XEL spectra of Hbmb ligand, LnOF-1 and LnOF-2 with the X-ray tube voltage of 50 kV and the tube current of 100  $\mu$ A.



Fig. S8 The PL/PLE spectrum of Hbmb ligand.



Fig. S9 The XEL spectra of powdered (a)  $PbWO_4$  and (b)  $BaF_2$  under exposure of X-ray tube with voltage fixed at 50 kV, current ranging from 60 to 100  $\mu$ A.



**Fig. S10** The powdered X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns of  $Eu_xTb_{1-x}$ -LnOFs. A~J represent that the doping ratios of  $Eu^{3+}$  and  $Tb^{3+}$  are 0.1% : 99.9%, 0.3% : 99.7%, 0.5% : 99.5%, 0.8% : 99.2%, 1% : 99%, 2% : 98%, 3% : 97%, 5% : 95%, 8% : 92% and 10% : 90%, respectively.



**Fig. S11** (a) The photoluminescence spectra of  $Eu_xTb_{1-x}$ -LnOFs ( $\lambda_{ex} = 312$  nm). (b) Linear CIE chromaticity diagram of photoluminescence for  $Eu_xTb_{1-x}$ -LnOFs. (c) The photograph of  $Eu_xTb_{1-x}$ -LnOFs under UV lamp.



Fig. S12 Schematic diagram of the self-built X-ray imaging system.



Fig. S13 The light intensity values corresponding to bright  $(I_{max})$  and dark  $(I_{min})$  stripes of each line pair.

Crystal data	LnOF-1	LnOF-2
CCDC number	2108315	2108316
Empirical formula	$C_{42}H_{29}N_6O_7Tb$	$C_{42}H_{29}N_6O_7Eu$
Formula weight	888.64	881.68
Temperature	293(2)	293(2)
Wavelength (Å) /Mo $K_{\alpha}$	1.3405	1.3405
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_{1}/c$	$P2_{1}/c$
<i>a</i> (Å)	17.6637(2)	17.6275(11)
<i>b</i> (Å)	22.0021(2)	22.066(1)
<i>c</i> (Å)	9.5719(1)	9.6033(4)
α (°)	90	90
eta (°)	94.459(1)	94.622(5)
γ (°)	90	90
$V(Å^3)$	3708.75(7)	3723.2(3)
Ζ	4	4
Calcd. density (g cm <sup><math>-3</math></sup> )	1.592	1.573
Absorption coefficient (mm <sup>-1</sup>	10.221	9.114
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<i>F</i> (000)	1776	1768
Reflections collected	46785	47746
Completeness to $\theta = 53.54^{\circ}$	98.6%	98.6%
Data/restraints/parameters	8420/0/508	7387/3/512

Table S1 Crystallographic data for compounds.

Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.015	1.071	
Final <i>R</i> indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0303$	$R_1 = 0.0334$	
	$wR_2 = 0.0759$	$wR_2 = 0.0883$	
${}^{a}R_{1} = \sum (F_{o} - F_{c}) / \sum F_{o}. {}^{b}wR_{2} = \left[ \sum w (F_{o}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2} / \sum w (F_{o}^{2})^{2} \right]^{1/2}.$			

**Table S2** The  $Z_{eff}$  values (Tables S2<sup>†</sup>) of LnOF-1, LnOF-2 and some traditional inorganic scintillator materials.

Compounds	$Z_{\rm eff}$
LnOF-1	42.27
LnOF-2	40.60
PbWO <sub>4</sub>	75.6
$BaF_2$	52.7
$Bi_4Ge_3O_{12}$	75.2

Empirical formulas (for a compound  $A_x B_y C_z$ ):

 $Z_{eff} = [(xM_aZ_a^4 + yM_bZ_b^4 + zM_cZ_c^4)/(xM_a + yM_b + zM_c)]^{1/4}$ 

where  $M_a$ ,  $M_b$  and  $M_c$  are the atomic masses of A, B and C, respectively;  $Z_a$ ,  $Z_b$  and  $Z_c$  are atomic numbers of A, B and C, respectively.

 $LnOF-1 (C_{42}H_{29}N_6O_7Tb):$ 

$$\begin{split} &Z_{eff} = [(42 \times 12.01 \times 6^4 + 29 \times 1.008 \times 1^4 + 6 \times 14.007 \times 7^4 + 7 \times 16.00 \times 8^4 + 1 \times 158.923 \times 65^4)/(42 \times 12.01 + 29 \times 1.008 + 6 \times 14.007 + 7 \times 16.00 + 1 \times 158.923)]^{1/4} \\ = &42.27 \end{split}$$

LnOF-2 (C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Eu):

$$\begin{split} &Z_{eff} = [(42 \times 12.01 \times 6^4 + 29 \times 1.008 \times 1^4 + 6 \times 14.007 \times 7^4 + 7 \times 16.00 \times 8^4 + 1 \times 151.964 \times 63^4)/(42 \times 12.01 + 29 \times 1.008 + 6 \times 14.007 + 7 \times 16.00 + 1 \times 151.964)]^{1/4} \\ = &40.60 \end{split}$$