

## Supporting Information

### **Tuning photoluminescence of lanthanide metal-organic framework nanospheres through ligand-induced phase transition towards sensing**

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**Table S1~S3.****Table S1.** Structure parameters of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF and Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF·6H<sub>2</sub>O.

Parameters	Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF	Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF·6H <sub>2</sub> O
a (Å)	10.45	11.38
b (Å)	10.45	17.84
c (Å)	13.38	7.2
$\alpha$ (°)	90	90
$\beta$ (°)	90	119.36
$\gamma$ (°)	90	90
Ref.	S1	S2

Note:

S1. Gustafsson, M.; Bartoszewicz, A.; Martin-Matute, B.; Sun, J.; Grins, J.; Zhao, T.; Li, Z.; Zhu, G.; Zou, X., A Family of Highly Stable Lanthanide Metal-Organic Frameworks: Structural Evolution and Catalytic Activity. *Chemistry of Materials* **2010**, *22* (11), 3316-3322.

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**Table S2.** The lifetimes of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF samples in different solutions.

<b>Samples</b>	<b>Wavelength /nm</b>	<b>t<sub>1</sub> /μs</b>	<b>t<sub>2</sub> /μs</b>	<b>t<sub>3</sub> /μs</b>	<b>A<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>A<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>A<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>Weighted Lifetime/μs</b>
Eu-MOF in Ethanol	615	103	227	-	-3.5	3.5	-	330
Eu-MOF in Water	615	127	107	-	-9.3	9.3	-	234
Tb-MOF in Ethanol	545	123	1835	-	-1.2	1.3	-	1948
Tb-MOF in Water	545	112	627	-	-1.8	1.8	-	739
Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF in Ethanol	615	91	231	786	-2.7	2.5	0.3	522
Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF in Water	615	116	185	-	-5.9	5.9	-	301
Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF in Ethanol	545	117	1422	-	-1.2	1.3	-	1529
Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF in Water	545	106	542	-	-1.5	1.8	-	627

**Table S3.** Samples, detection temperature range (K), maximum sensitivity ( $S_m, \%K^{-1}$ ) and its corresponding temperature  $T_m$  (K) and the references.

Samples	Range (K)	$S_m$ (% $K^{-1}$ )	$T_m$ (K)	Ref.
Tb <sub>0.9</sub> Eu <sub>0.1</sub> L	303-423	1.75	423	S3
Tb <sub>0.9</sub> Eu <sub>0.1</sub> PIA	100-300	3.27	300	S4
Tb <sub>0.95</sub> Eu <sub>0.05</sub> FTPTC	25-300	9.1	125	S5
Tb <sub>0.9122</sub> Eu <sub>0.0878</sub> L	75-250	4.9	250	S6
Tb <sub>0.95</sub> Eu <sub>0.05</sub> CPNA	25-300	2.55	131	S7
CsPbBr <sub>3</sub> @Eu0BTC	293-393	3.9	293	S8
Tb <sub>0.9975</sub> Eu <sub>0.0025</sub> -BABDC-PBMA	0.5-240	3.61	240	S9
Tb <sub>0.98</sub> /Eu <sub>0.02</sub> -BTC	298-383	16.14	359	S10
Tb <sub>0.9931</sub> Eu <sub>0.0069</sub> -BMBDC	50-200	1.15	200	S11
Tb <sub>0.98</sub> Eu <sub>0.02</sub> -DSTP	77-275	2.4	275	S12
Yb/Tb/Eu-BTC	323-403	3.45	403	This work

Note:

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Figure S1~S10

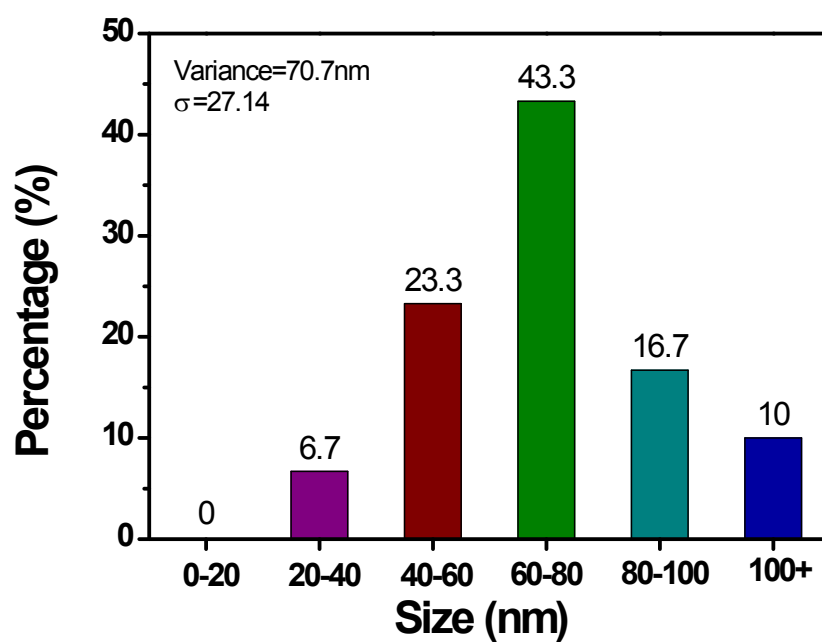
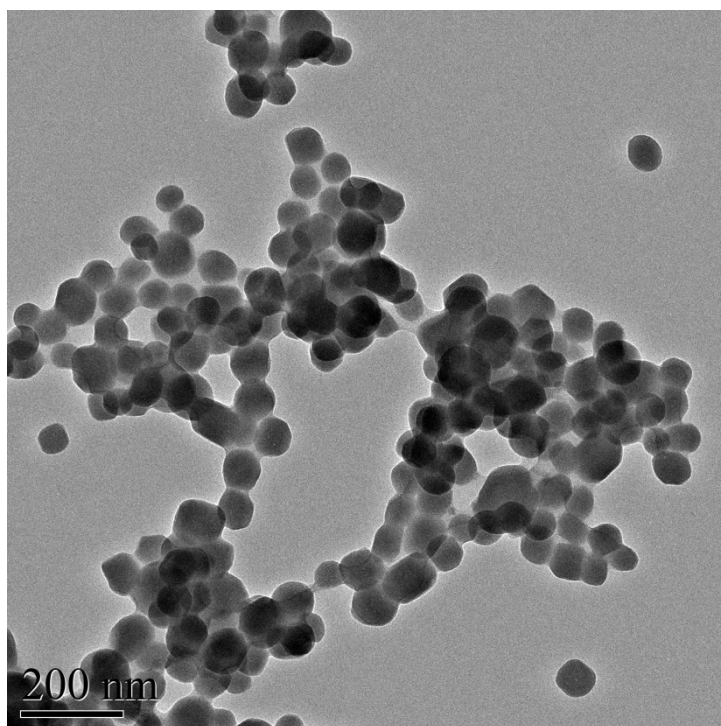
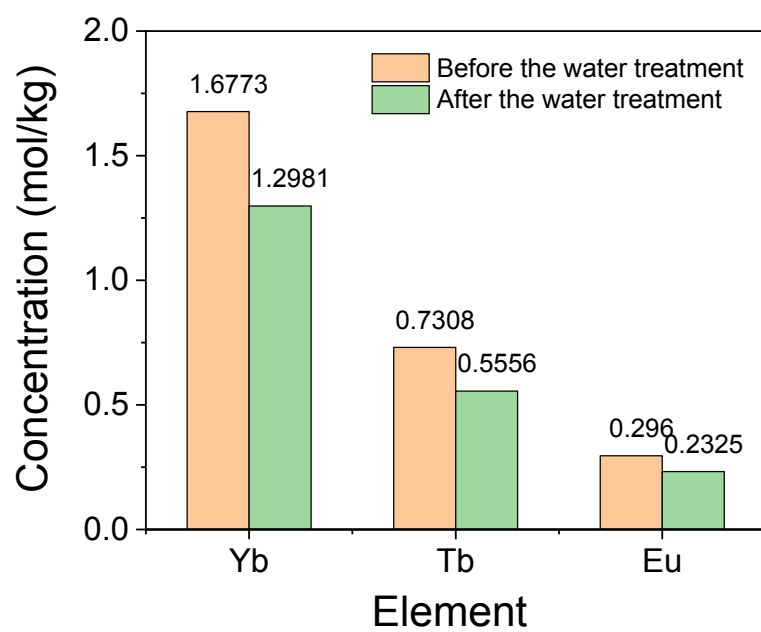


Figure S1. Size distribution of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF nanoparticles.

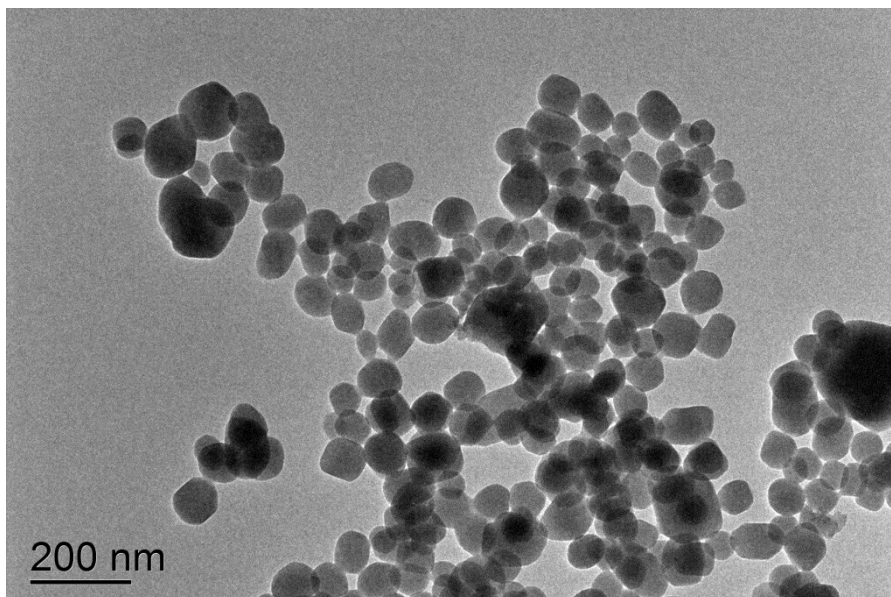


**Figure S2.** TEM image of MOF materials without the dropwise adding.

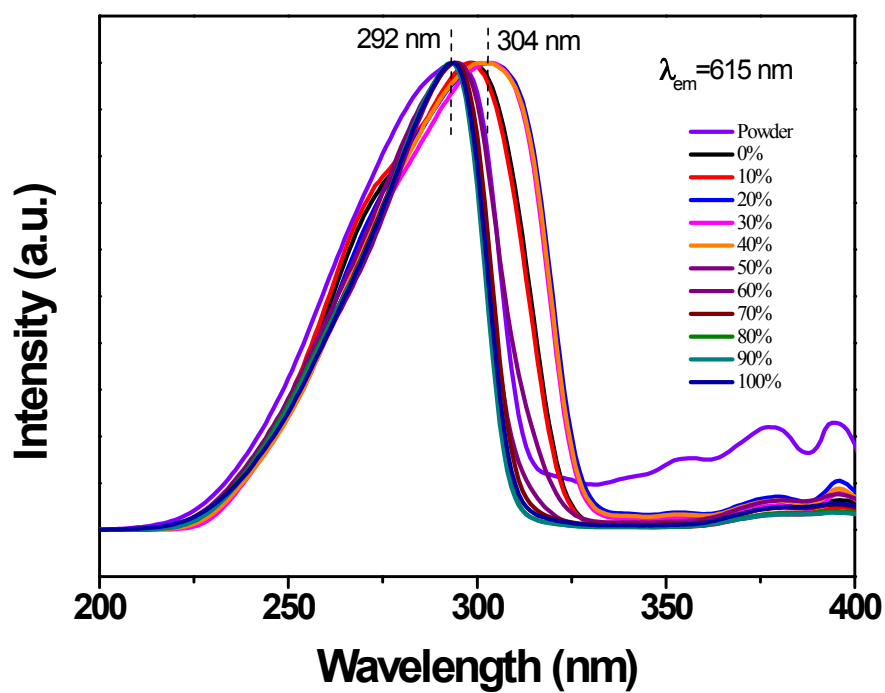


**Figure S3.** The concentrations of lanthanide ions of MOF materials before and after the water treatment measured by the ICP analysis.

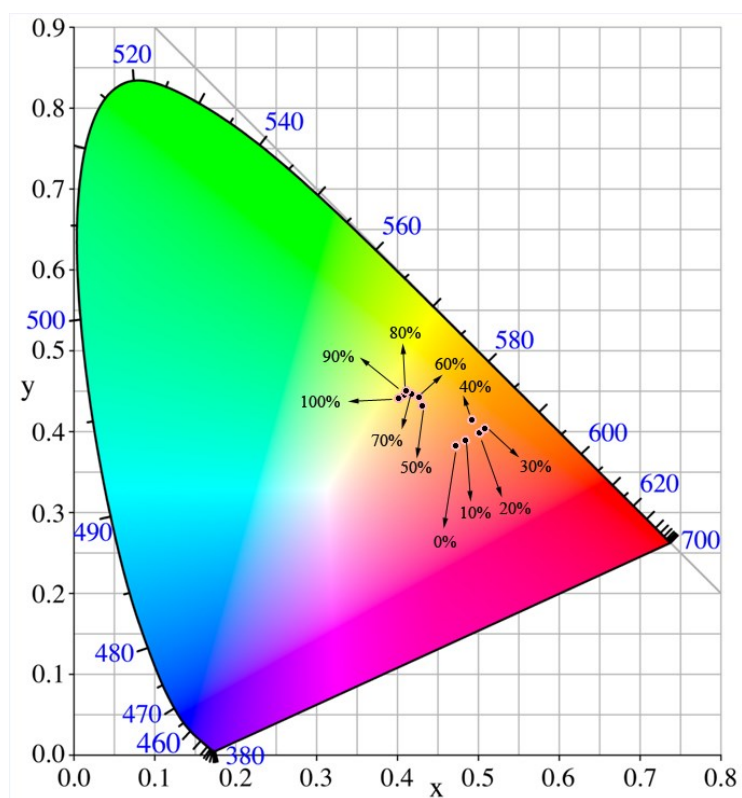




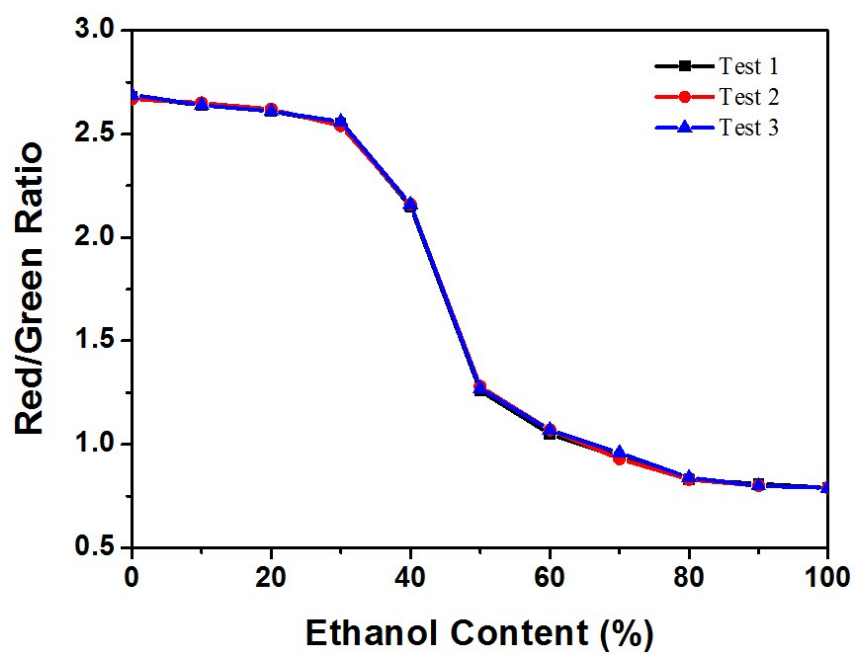
**Figure S4.** TEM image of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF treated in water.



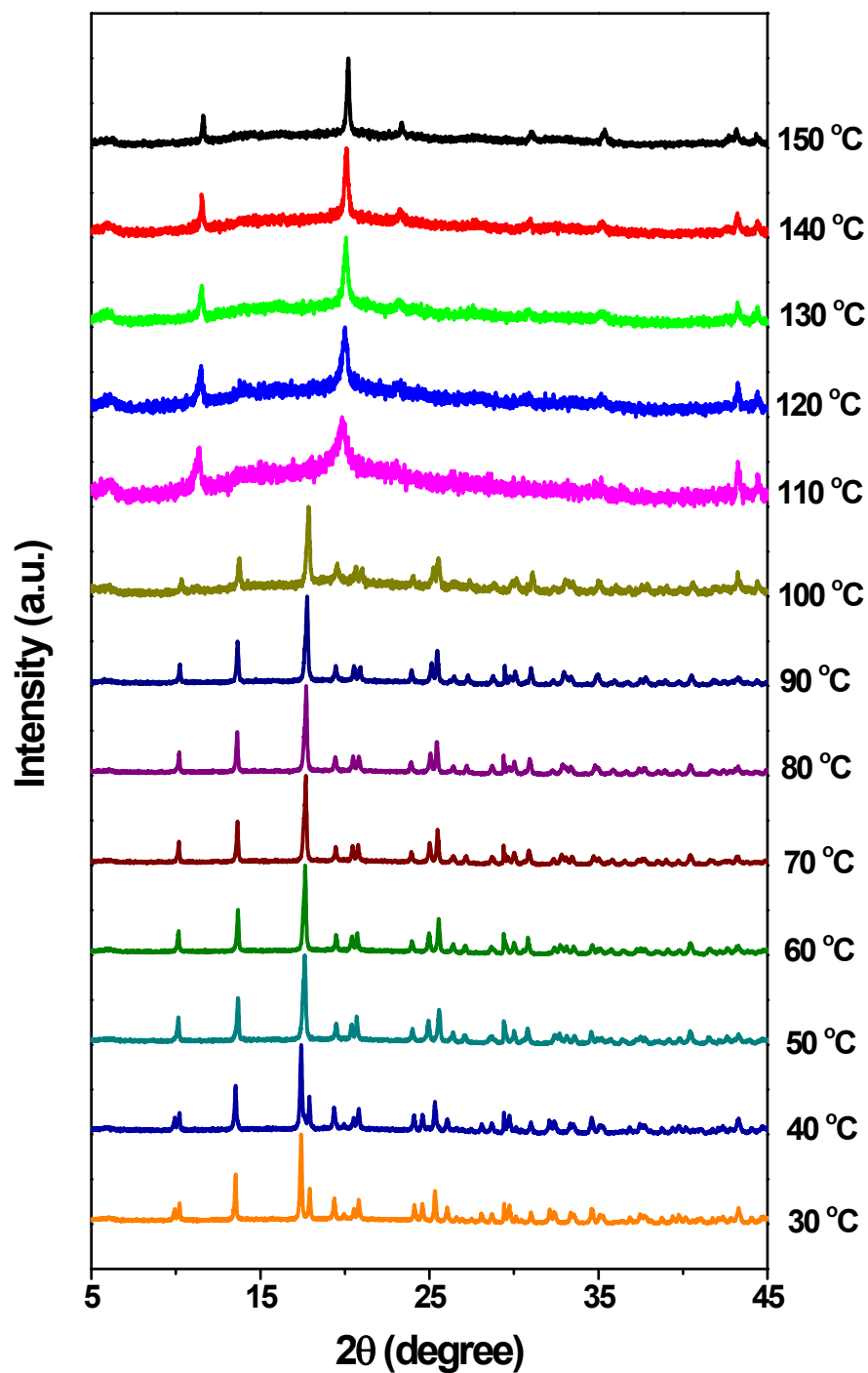
**Figure S5.** Excitation spectra of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF nanospheres dispersed in water-ethanol system.



**Figure S6.** CIE chromaticity diagram showing the fluorescence color of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF nanospheres treated in water-ethanol system.



**Figure S7.** The reliability and reversibility of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF nanospheres on the ethanol content.



**Figure S8.** XRD patterns of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF at different temperatures.

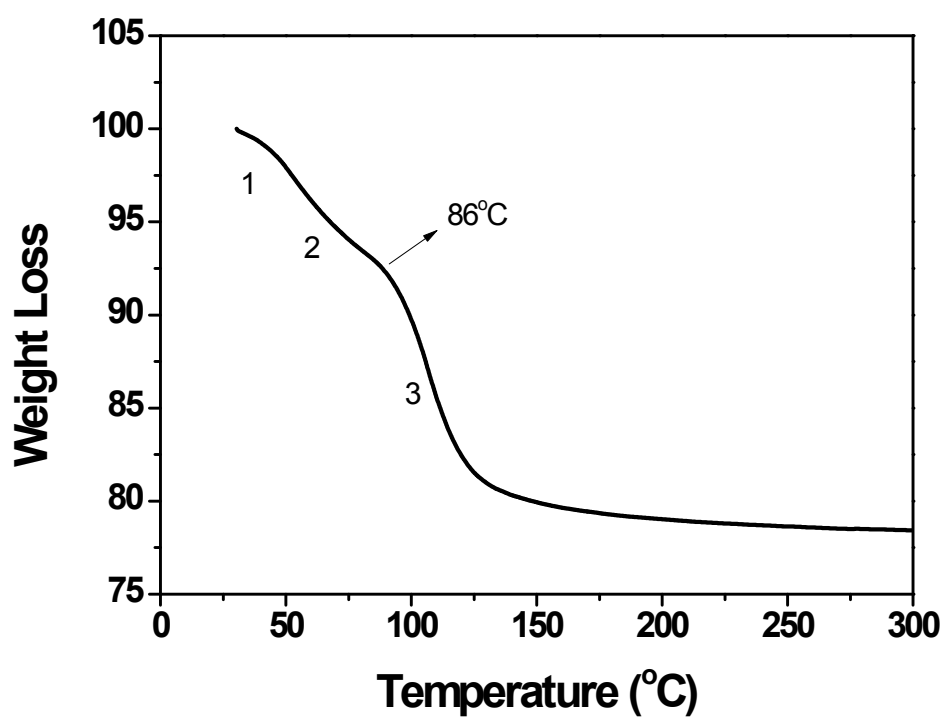
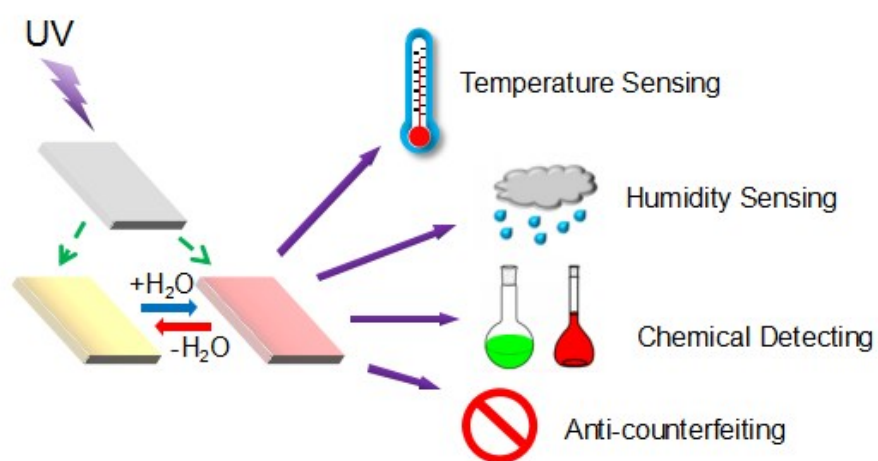


Figure S9. TGA curve of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF · 6H<sub>2</sub>O



**Figure S10.** Potential applications of Yb/Tb/Eu-MOF.