

## Electronic Supplementary Information

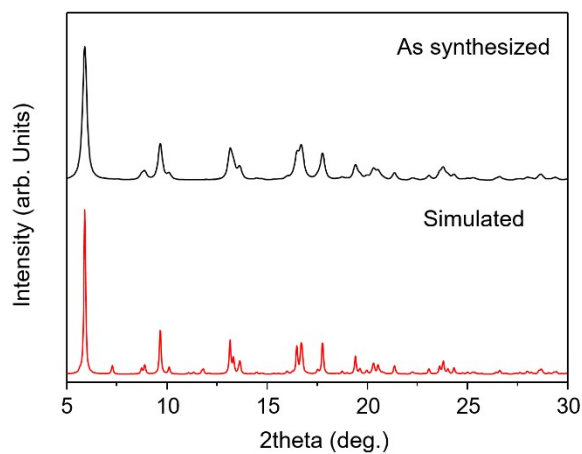
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# A series of entangled MOFs constructed from flexible dipyridyl piperazine and rigid dicarboxylate: interpenetration, self-penetration and polycatenation

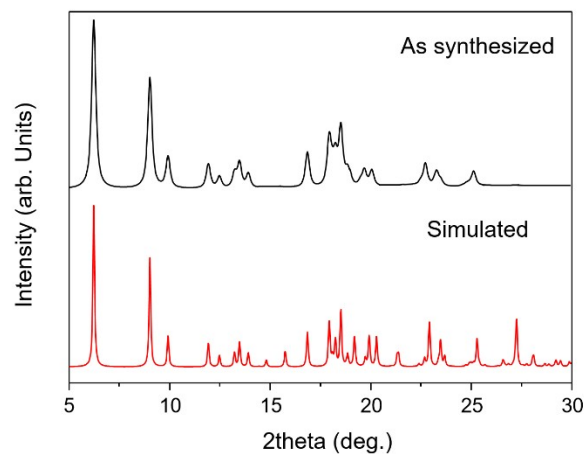
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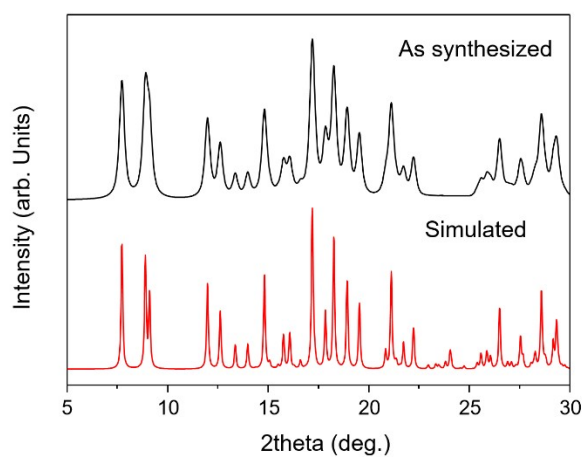
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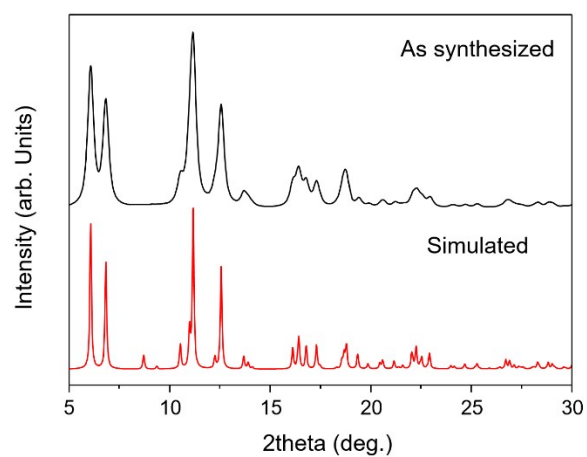
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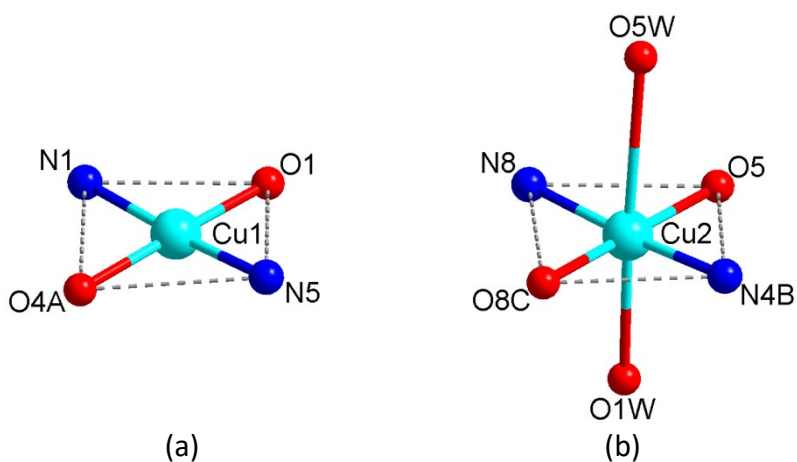


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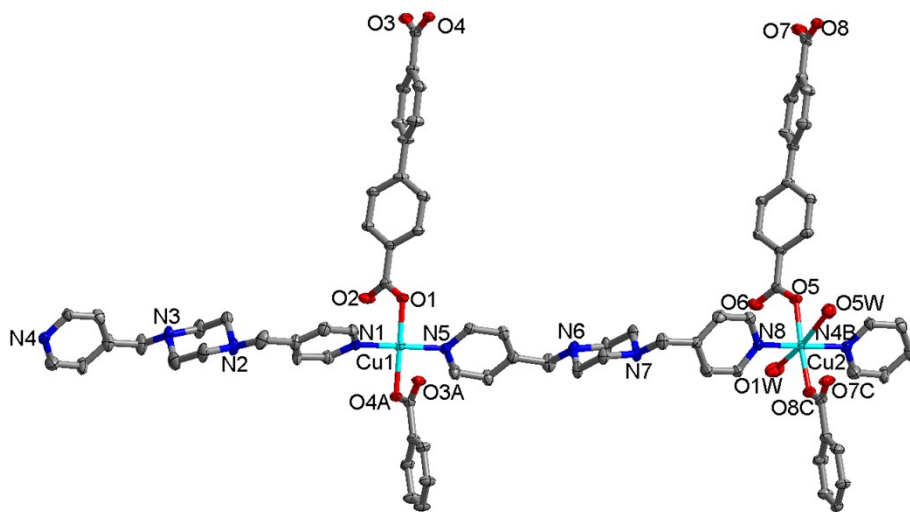
**Fig. S1** PXRd patterns of (a) **1**, (b) **2**, (c) **3** and (d) **4**.



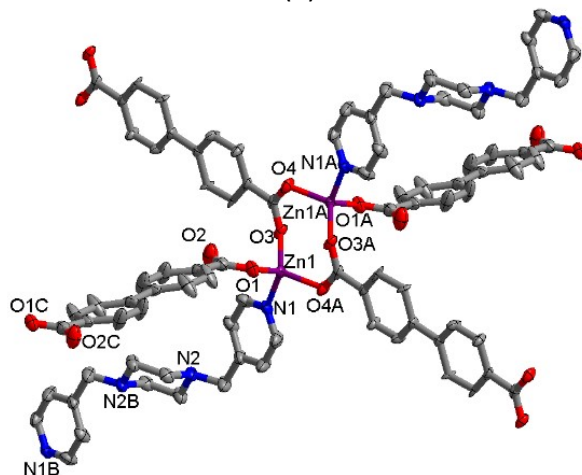
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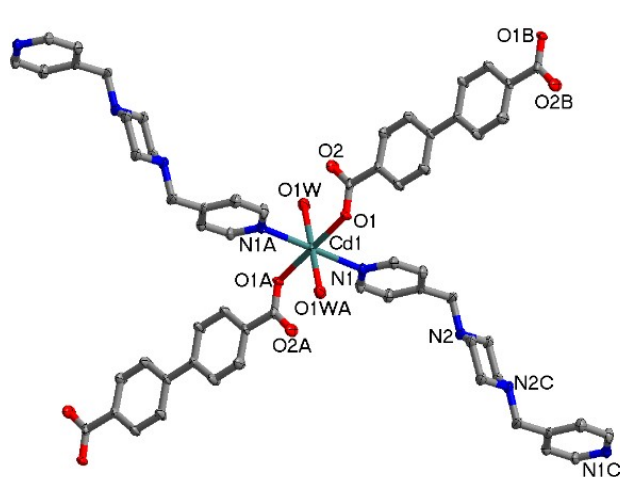
**Fig. S2** Local coordination geometries of (a) Cu1 (square planar) and (b) Cu2 (elongated octahedral) atoms in **1**.



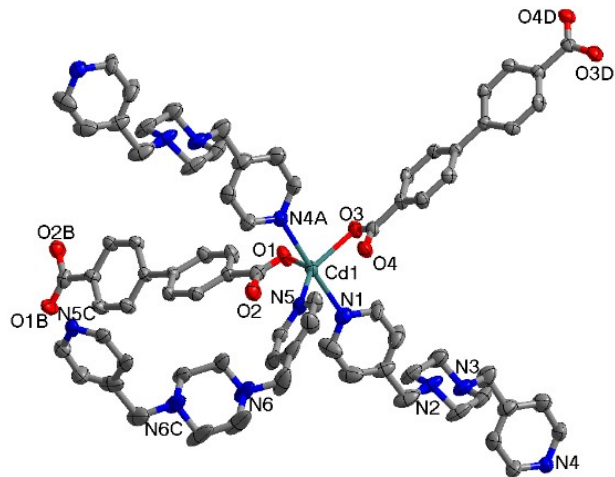
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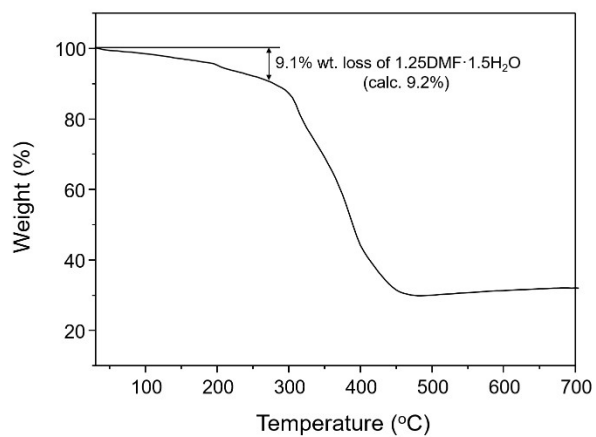


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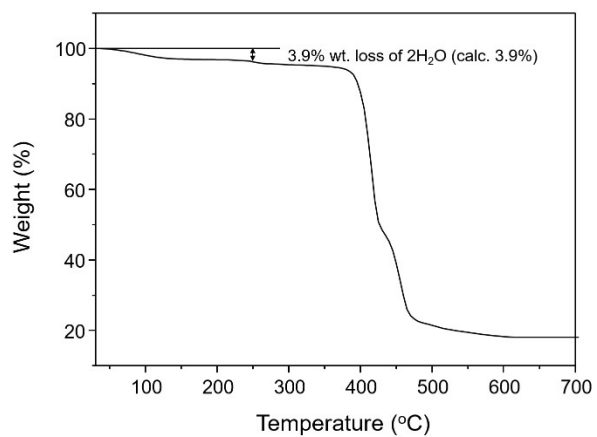


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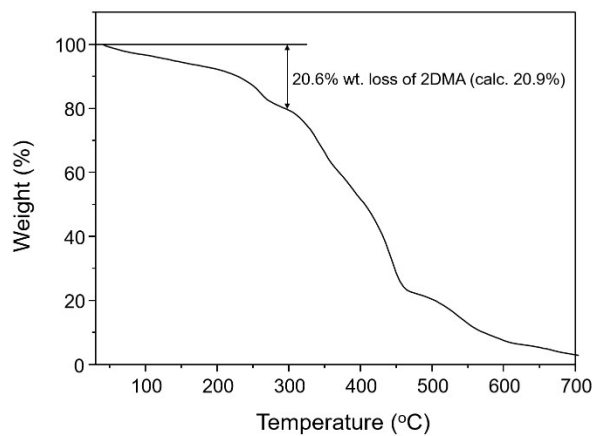
**Fig. S3** Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability) of the crystal structures for (a) **1**, (b) **2**, (c) **3** and (d) **4**.



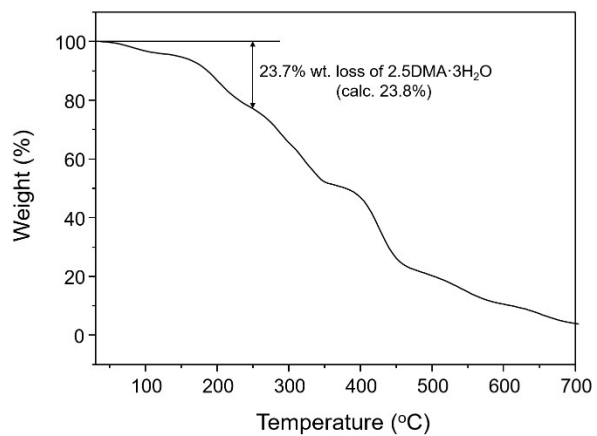
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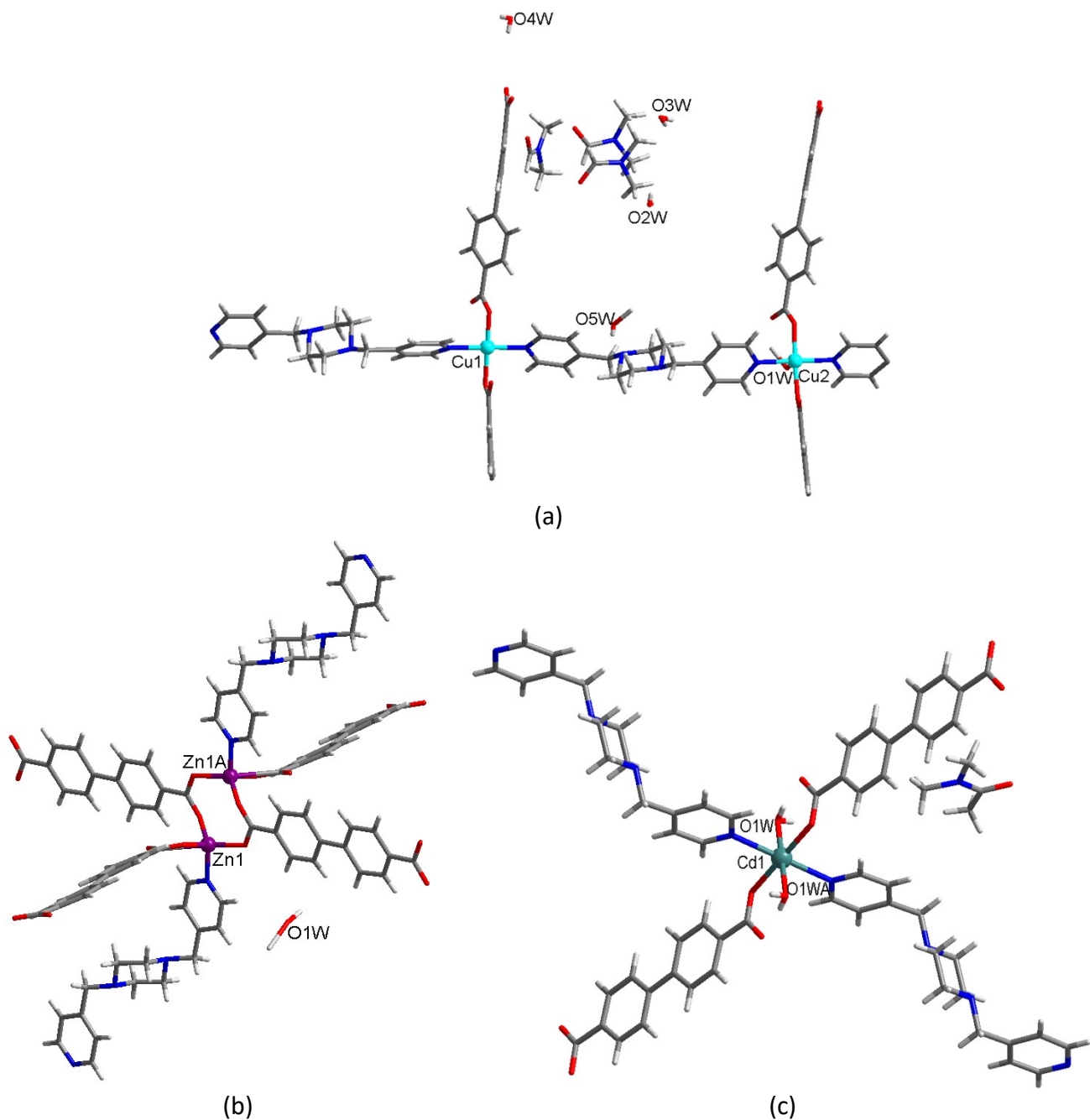


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**Fig. S4** TGA curves for (a) **1**, (b) **2**, (c) **3** and (d) **4**.



**Fig. S5** The coordination environments of the metal centres for (a) **1**, (b) **2** and (c) **3**. The hydrogen atoms of the water molecules were obtained using the HSite from *ToposPro* Program.<sup>S1</sup>

### Reference

S1. V. A. Blatov, A. P. Shevchenko and D. M. Proserpio, *Cryst. Growth Des.*, 2014, **14**, 3576-3586. (see also <http://topospro.com>)

**Table S1** Crystallographic data and structure refinement for **1-4**

	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
formula	C <sub>255</sub> H <sub>287</sub> Cu <sub>8</sub> N <sub>37</sub> O <sub>51</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> Zn	C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>50</sub> CdN <sub>6</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>38</sub> CdN <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub>
formula weight	5194.52	457.77	831.24	755.14
temperature, K	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)	173(2)
crystal system	Orthorhombic	Triclinic	Triclinic	Trigonal
space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 3 <sub>2</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>
<i>a</i> (Å)	18.2794(5)	7.0781(2)	7.664(4)	16.7798(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	29.9253(8)	10.5603(2)	10.968(6)	16.7798(6)
<i>c</i> (Å)	13.2838(3)	14.5209(3)	12.971(6)	28.3067(12)
$\alpha$ (°)	90	77.6050(10)	114.880(18)	90
$\beta$ (°)	90	84.3170(10)	99.231(18)	90
$\gamma$ (°)	90	70.9640(10)	97.47(2)	120
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	7266.5(3)	1001.63(4)	952.3(9)	6902.3(6)
<i>Z</i>	1	2	1	6
<i>D</i> <sub>calc</sub> (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.187	1.518	1.449	1.090
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.646	1.263	0.633	0.512
2 $\theta$ <sub>max</sub> (°)	52	52	52	52
reflections collected	51292	16713	9842	76624
independent reflns	14279 [ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0858]	3924 [ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0362]	3413 [ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0357]	9030 [ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.1048]
goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.031	1.059	1.156	1.029
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0721, 0.1883	0.0353, 0.0771	0.0882, 0.2321	0.0453, 0.0965
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.1149, 0.2160	0.0435, 0.0808	0.1353, 0.3098	0.0756, 0.1071

**Table S2** Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **1**

Cu1-N1	1.991(6)	Cu1-N5	2.015(7)
Cu1-O1	1.917(5)	Cu1-O4A	1.999(5)
Cu2-N4B	2.005(7)	Cu2-N8	2.011(7)
Cu2-O5	1.949(5)	Cu2-O8C	1.956(6)
Cu2-O1W	2.448(8)	Cu2-O5W	2.896(7)
O1-Cu1-N1	90.4(3)	O1-Cu1-O4A	178.7(3)
N1-Cu1-O4A	89.4(3)	O1-Cu1-N5	89.8(3)
N1-Cu1-N5	175.5(3)	O4A-Cu1-N5	90.5(3)
O5-Cu2-O8C	176.4(3)	O5-Cu2-N8	92.6(3)
O8C-Cu2-N8	90.3(3)	O5-Cu2-N4B	88.8(3)
O8C-Cu2-N4B	88.2(3)	N8-Cu2-N4B	174.1(3)
O5-Cu2-O1W	94.7(3)	O8C-Cu2-O1W	87.2(3)
N8-Cu2-O1W	94.8(3)	N4B-Cu2-O1W	90.8(3)
O5-Cu2-O5W	79.6(2)	O8C-Cu2-O5W	98.5(3)
N8-Cu2-O5W	83.8(3)	N4B-Cu2-O5W	90.8(3)
O1W-Cu2-O5W	174.0(2)		

Symmetry operations: (A)  $-x-1, y-1/2, -z+1/2$ ; (B)  $x+1, y, z+2$ ; (C)  $-x+2, y-1/2, -z+5/2$

**Table S3** Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **2**

Zn1-N1	2.019(2)	Zn1-O1	1.9349(19)
Zn1-O3	1.9423(17)	Zn1-O4A	1.9548(17)
O1-Zn1-N1	113.11(8)	O3-Zn1-N1	103.28(8)
O4A-Zn1-N1	104.52(8)	O1-Zn1-O3	114.47(8)
O1-Zn1-O4A	102.69(8)	O3-Zn1-O4A	118.41(8)

Symmetry operations: (A)  $-x, -y+1, -z+1$

**Table S4** Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **3**

Cd1-N1	2.381(9)	Cd1-O1	2.286(7)
Cd1-O1W	2.326(8)		
O1-Cd1-O1A	180.0	O1-Cd1-O1WA	88.0(3)
O1A-Cd1-O1WA	92.0(3)	O1-Cd1-O1W	92.0(3)
O1A-Cd1-O1W	88.0(3)	O1WA-Cd1-O1W	180.0
O1-Cd1-N1	86.9(3)	O1A-Cd1-N1	93.1(3)
O1WA-Cd1-N1	84.1(3)	O1W-Cd1-N1	95.9(3)
O1-Cd1-N1A	93.1(3)	O1A-Cd1-N1A	86.9(3)
O1WA-Cd1-N1A	95.9(3)	O1W-Cd1-N1A	84.1(3)
N1-Cd1-N1A	180.0(5)		

Symmetry operations: (A)  $-x+2, -y+2, -z$

**Table S5** Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for **4**

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Cd1-N1	2.365(6)	Cd1-N4A	2.357(6)
Cd1-N5	2.350(6)	Cd1-O1	2.296(4)
Cd1-O3	2.333(4)	Cd1-O4	2.454(4)
O1-Cd1-O3	87.21(16)	O1-Cd1-N5	136.56(18)
O3-Cd1-N5	136.20(18)	O1-Cd1-N4A	90.3(2)
O3-Cd1-N4A	89.8(2)	N5-Cd1-N4A	88.9(2)
O1-Cd1-N1	86.50(19)	O3-Cd1-N1	86.7(2)
N5-Cd1-N1	95.7(2)	N4A-Cd1-N1	175.4(2)
O1-Cd1-O4	141.43(17)	O3-Cd1-O4	54.45(16)
N5-Cd1-O4	81.93(18)	N4A-Cd1-O4	93.32(19)
N1-Cd1-O4	87.14(18)		

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Symmetry operations: (A) x, y+1, z