

Construction of Zn^{II}/Cd^{II}-based MOFs containing a tripodal aromatic
carboxylate ligand with unequal arms and their fluorescent detection for
Cu²⁺ and Fe³⁺ cations

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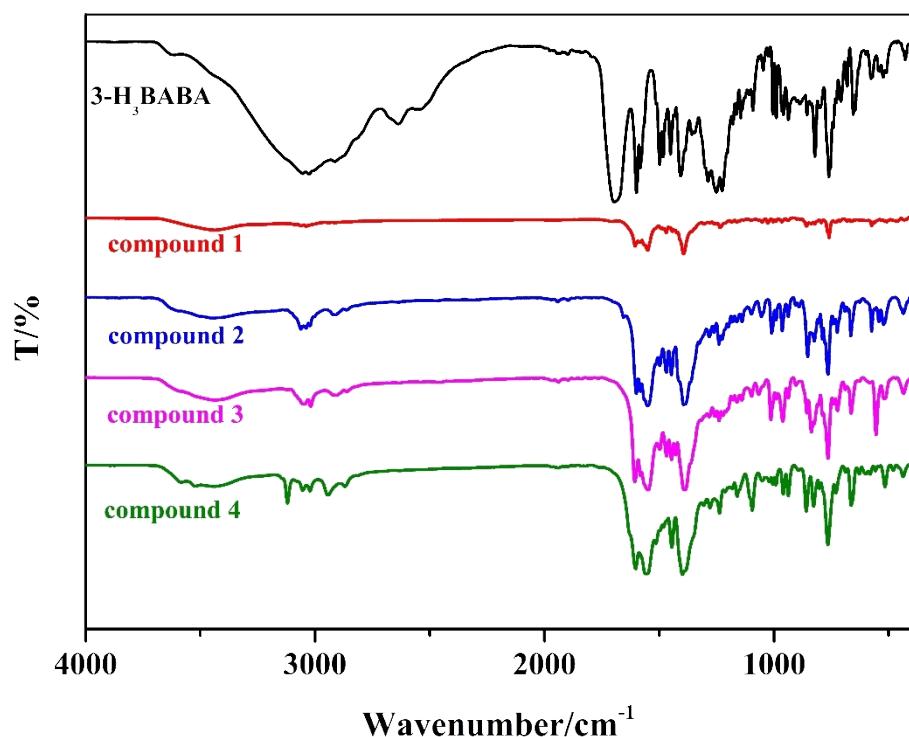


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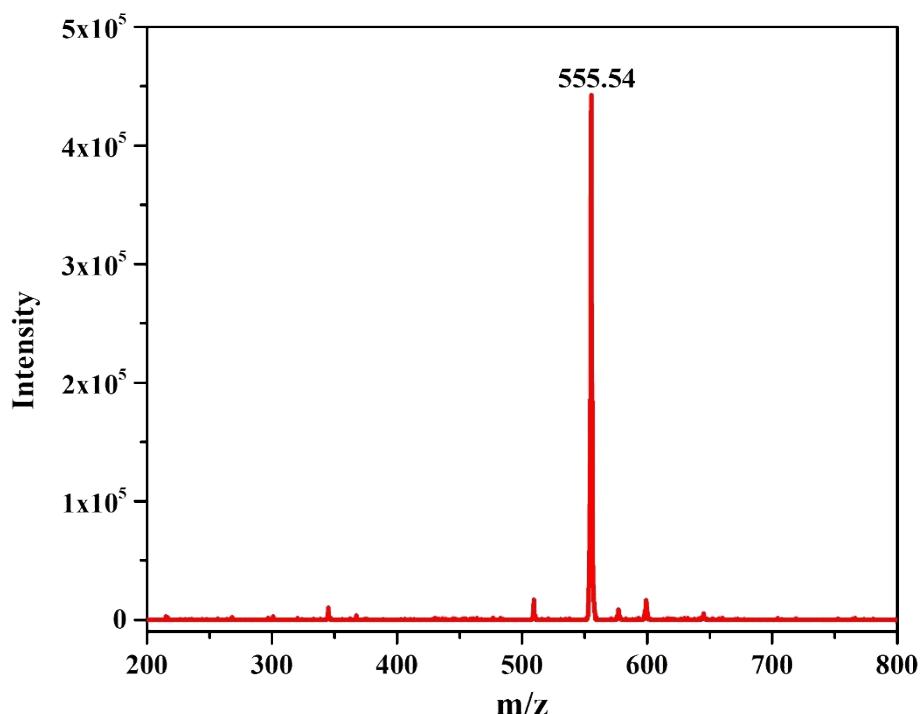


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Table S1. Crystallographic data and structure refinement results for compounds **1-4**^a

Identification code	Compound 1	Compound 2	Compound 3	Compound 4
Empirical formula	C ₉₀ H ₆₈ N ₁₀ O ₁₄ Zn ₃	C ₉₀ H ₆₄ Cd ₃ N ₁₀ O ₁₂	C ₉₄ H ₆₈ Cd ₃ N ₆ O ₁₂	C ₈₈ H ₈₂ Cd ₃ N ₈ O ₁₅
Formula weight	1709.71	1814.74	1810.74	1810.83
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	<i>I</i> 2/ <i>a</i>	<i>I</i> 2/ <i>a</i>	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	16.7507(2)	26.6374(6)	27.0745(5)	38.9381(7)
<i>b</i> /Å	20.1161(3)	9.7433(2)	9.7503(2)	9.43740(10)
<i>c</i> /Å	23.6396(3)	29.7932(7)	29.6517(5)	29.5532(5)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90	90	90	90
$\beta/^\circ$	94.5950(10)	90.922(2)	91.899(2)	132.196(3)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90	90	90	90
Volume/Å ³	7939.97(18)	7731.4(3)	7823.3(3)	8045.7(4)
Z	4	4	4	4
ρ_{calc} g/cm ³	1.430	1.545	1.537	1.495
μ/mm^{-1}	0.973	0.889	0.878	6.866
<i>F</i> (000)	3520.0	3592.0	3656.0	3680.0
Independent reflections	9369 [$R_{\text{int}}=0.0307$, $R_{\text{sigma}}=0.0375$]	9072 [$R_{\text{int}}=0.0358$, $R_{\text{sigma}}=0.0412$]	8820 [$R_{\text{int}}=0.0268$, $R_{\text{sigma}}=0.0426$]	8386 [$R_{\text{int}}=0.0280$, $R_{\text{sigma}}=0.0261$]
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.063	1.056	1.049	1.064
Final <i>R</i> indexes [$I >= 2\sigma$]	$R_1=0.0445$, $wR_2=0.1064$	$R_1=0.0363$, $wR_2=0.0761$	$R_1=0.0354$, $wR_2=0.0658$	$R_1=0.0262$, $wR_2=0.0705$
(<i>I</i>)				
Final <i>R</i> indexes [all data]	$R_1=0.0647$, $wR_2=0.1165$	$R_1=0.0545$, $wR_2=0.0874$	$R_1=0.0514$, $wR_2=0.0739$	$R_1=0.0279$, $wR_2=0.0718$
Largest diff. peak/hole/eÅ ⁻³	0.71/-0.38	0.83/-0.79	0.66/-0.55	0.44/-0.72
CCDC Number	2233885	2233886	2233887	2233888

^a $R_1 = \Sigma |F_o| - |F_c| / \Sigma |F_o|$, $wR_2 = [\sum_w (F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / [\sum_w (F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$

Table. S2 Selected bond lengths (\AA) and angles (deg) for compound **1**

Zn1—O3 ¹	1.9775(19)	O3 ¹ —Zn1—O4 ¹	59.23(7)
Zn1—O5	1.9595(19)	O3 ¹ —Zn1—O7	103.09(9)
Zn1—O4 ¹	2.3805(19)	O3 ¹ —Zn1—N5	117.69(8)
Zn1—O7	2.021(2)	O5—Zn1—O3 ¹	128.25(8)
Zn1—N5	2.043(2)	O5—Zn1—O4 ¹	95.29(8)
Zn2—O1	1.975(2)	O5—Zn1—O7	100.55(9)
Zn2—O1 ²	1.975(2)	O5—Zn1—N5	104.35(9)
Zn2—N2	2.071(2)	O7—Zn1—O4 ¹	161.59(9)
Zn2—N2 ²	2.071(2)	O7—Zn1—N5	96.45(9)
N5—Zn1—O4 ¹	88.58(8)	O1—Zn2—N2 ²	99.67(9)
O1—Zn2—O1 ²	147.69(14)	O1 ² —Zn2—N2	99.67(9)
O1 ² —Zn2—N2 ²	100.82(9)	N2 ² —Zn2—N2	100.54(13)
O1—Zn2—N2	100.82(9)		

Symmetry codes: ¹1-x, 1-y, 1-z; ²-x, +y, 1/2-z**Table. S3** Selected bond lengths (\AA) and angles (deg) for compound **2**.

Cd1—O1	2.288(2)	O1—Cd1—O1 ¹	92.96(11)
Cd1—O1 ¹	2.288(2)	O1 ¹ —Cd1—O5 ²	104.36(8)
Cd1—O5 ²	2.319(2)	O1—Cd1—O5 ²	84.44(8)
Cd1—O5 ³	2.319(2)	O1 ¹ —Cd1—O5 ³	84.44(8)
Cd1—N5 ⁴	2.367(3)	O1—Cd1—O5 ³	104.36(8)
Cd1—N5 ⁵	2.367(3)	O1 ¹ —Cd1—N5 ⁴	87.81(9)
Cd2—O1	2.375(2)	O1—Cd1—N5 ⁴	167.28(9)
Cd2—O2	2.325(2)	O1—Cd1—N5 ⁵	87.81(9)
Cd2—N2	2.358(3)	O1 ¹ —Cd1—N5 ⁵	167.28(9)
Cd2—O4 ⁶	2.440(2)	O5 ³ —Cd1—O5 ²	167.39(12)
Cd2—O3 ⁶	2.265(2)	O5 ² —Cd1—N5 ⁵	88.35(10)

Cd2—O6 ²	2.185(2)	O5 ² —Cd1—N5 ⁴	83.07(10)
O5 ³ —Cd1—N5 ⁴	88.35(10)	O2—Cd2—N2	87.49(9)
O5 ³ —Cd1—N5 ⁵	83.07(10)	O2—Cd2—O4 ⁶	103.44(9)
N5 ⁴ —Cd1—N5 ⁵	94.24(15)	N2—Cd2—O1	111.59(8)
O1—Cd2—O4 ⁶	99.20(8)	N2—Cd2—O4 ⁶	147.92(8)
O2—Cd2—O1	55.47(7)	O3 ⁶ —Cd2—O1	138.14(8)
O3 ⁶ —Cd2—O2	95.33(8)	O6 ² —Cd2—N2	86.92(9)
O3 ⁶ —Cd2—N2	94.17(8)	O6 ² —Cd2—O4 ⁶	93.94(9)
O3 ⁶ —Cd2—O4 ⁶	55.28(7)	O6 ² —Cd2—O3 ⁶	109.11(9)
O6 ² —Cd2—O1	104.84(8)	Cd1—O1—Cd2	118.02(9)
O6 ² —Cd2—O2	155.26(9)		

Symmetry codes : ¹1/2-*x*, +*y*, -*z*; ²1/2-*x*, 3/2-*y*, -1/2-*z*; ³+*x*, 3/2-*y*, 1/2+*z*; ⁴-1/2+*x*, -*y*, +*z*; ⁵1-*x*, -*y*, -*z*; ⁶1-*x*, 1-*y*, -*z*

Table. S4 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg) for compound 3.

Cd1—O1 ¹	2.2881(18)	O3—Cd2—N2 ⁶	82.9(3)
Cd1—O1	2.2881(18)	O3—Cd2—N2A ⁶	90.9(3)
Cd1—O4 ²	2.3255(19)	N2 ⁶ —Cd2—O1 ⁴	115.6(4)
Cd1—O4 ³	2.3255(19)	N2 ⁶ —Cd2—O6 ⁵	144.2(4)
Cd1—N1	2.327(17)	Cd1—O1—Cd2 ²	116.41(7)
Cd1—N1 ¹	2.327(17)	O5 ⁵ —Cd2—N2 ⁶	95.5(4)
Cd1—N1A ¹	2.36(2)	O3—Cd2—O1 ⁴	104.77(7)
Cd1—N1A	2.36(2)	O3—Cd2—O2 ⁴	153.59(7)
Cd2—O1 ⁴	2.3811(18)	O3—Cd2—O5 ⁵	115.99(7)
Cd2—O2 ⁴	2.3226(17)	O3—Cd2—O6 ⁵	91.97(7)
Cd2—O5 ⁵	2.308(2)	O2 ⁴ —Cd2—O6 ⁵	107.65(8)
Cd2—O3	2.1792(18)	O2 ⁴ —Cd2—N2 ⁶	90.5(3)
Cd2—O6 ⁵	2.406(2)	O5 ⁵ —Cd2—O1 ⁴	131.30(7)

Cd2—N2 ⁶	2.362(16)	O5 ⁵ —Cd2—O2 ⁴	90.05(7)
Cd2—N2A ⁶	2.31(2)	O5 ⁵ —Cd2—O6 ⁵	55.15(7)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—O1	91.47(10)	N1 ¹ —Cd1—N1A ¹	8.4(6)
O1—Cd1—O4 ²	85.83(7)	N1—Cd1—N1A ¹	94.4(2)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—O4 ²	103.16(7)	N1A—Cd1—N1A ¹	100.8(9)
O1—Cd1—O4 ³	103.16(7)	O1 ⁴ —Cd2—O6 ⁵	99.99(7)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—O4 ³	85.83(7)	O2 ⁴ —Cd2—O1 ⁴	55.38(6)
O1—Cd1—N1	171.0(3)	O4 ³ —Cd1—N1A ¹	79.7(4)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—N1 ¹	171.0(3)	O4 ³ —Cd1—N1A	92.2(4)
O1—Cd1—N1 ¹	90.7(4)	O4 ² —Cd1—N1A	79.7(4)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—N1	90.7(4)	O4 ² —Cd1—N1A ¹	92.2(4)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—N1A	85.8(5)	N1—Cd1—N1 ¹	88.5(8)
O1—Cd1—N1A	164.2(4)	O4 ² —Cd1—N1 ¹	85.7(3)
O1—Cd1—N1A ¹	85.8(5)	O4 ² —Cd1—N1	85.2(3)
O1 ¹ —Cd1—N1A ¹	164.2(4)	O4 ³ —Cd1—N1 ¹	85.2(3)
O4 ³ —Cd1—O4 ²	167.25(10)	O4 ³ —Cd1—N1	85.7(3)

Symmetry codes : ¹1/2-x, +y, 1-z; ²+x, 3/2-y, 1/2+z; ³1/2-x, 3/2-y, 1/2-z; ⁴+x, 3/2-y, -1/2+z; ⁵1-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z; ⁶1/2+x, 3/2+y, -1/2+z

Table. S5 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg) for compound **4**.

Cd2—O7 ¹	2.3509(14)	O1—Cd1—N1	87.19(8)
Cd2—O7 ²	2.3509(14)	N1—Cd1—O6 ¹	86.08(7)
Cd2—O2 ³	2.2311(17)	N1—Cd1—O4 ⁴	92.61(7)
Cd2—O2	2.2310(17)	N1—Cd1—O7 ¹	110.08(7)
Cd2—O3	2.234(3)	N1—Cd1—O5 ⁴	146.97(7)
Cd2—O3 ³	2.234(3)	O5 ⁴ —Cd1—O6 ¹	93.15(6)
Cd2—O2A	2.258(6)	O5 ⁴ —Cd1—O7 ¹	95.93(6)
Cd2—O2A ³	2.258(6)	O1—Cd1—O6 ¹	159.78(7)

Cd1—O6 ²	2.3960(16)	O1—Cd1—O4 ⁴	97.54(7)
Cd1—O4 ⁴	2.3496(16)	O1—Cd1—O7 ¹	110.53(6)
Cd1—O7 ²	2.3733(16)	O1—Cd1—O5 ⁴	102.79(7)
Cd1—O5 ⁴	2.3655(16)	O3 ³ —Cd2—O2A ³	23.3(2)
Cd1—O1	2.1965(17)	O2A ³ —Cd2—O2A	125.3(5)
Cd1—N1	2.2718(19)	O4 ⁴ —Cd1—O6 ¹	101.80(6)
O7 ¹ —Cd2—O7 ²	178.99(8)	O4 ⁴ —Cd1—O7 ¹	144.16(5)
O2 ³ —Cd2—O7 ²	88.60(7)	O4 ⁴ —Cd1—O5 ⁴	55.19(5)
O2 ³ —Cd2—O7 ¹	92.16(7)	O7 ¹ —Cd1—O6 ¹	54.69(5)
O2—Cd2—O7 ²	92.16(7)	O3 ³ —Cd2—O7 ²	98.74(11)
O2—Cd2—O7 ¹	88.60(7)	O3 ³ —Cd2—O7 ¹	80.49(11)
O2—Cd2—O2 ³	83.13(11)	O3—Cd2—O7 ²	80.49(11)
O2—Cd2—O3	172.58(11)	O3—Cd2—O7 ¹	98.74(11)
O2—Cd2—O3 ³	97.57(15)	O3 ³ —Cd2—O3	82.7(3)
O2 ³ —Cd2—O3 ³	172.58(11)	O3—Cd2—O2A ³	103.2(3)
O2 ³ —Cd2—O3	97.57(15)	O2 ³ —Cd2—O2A ³	158.9(3)
O2—Cd2—O2A	158.9(3)	O2 ³ —Cd2—O2A	75.8(3)
O2—Cd2—O2A ³	75.8(3)		

Symmetry codes : ¹-1/2+x, 3/2-y, -1/2+z; ²3/2-x, 3/2-y, 1-z; ³1-x, +y, 1/2-z; ⁴1-x, 1-y, 1-z

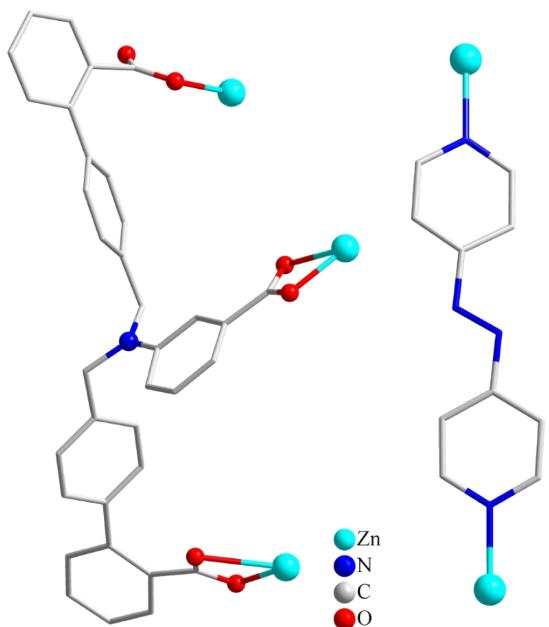


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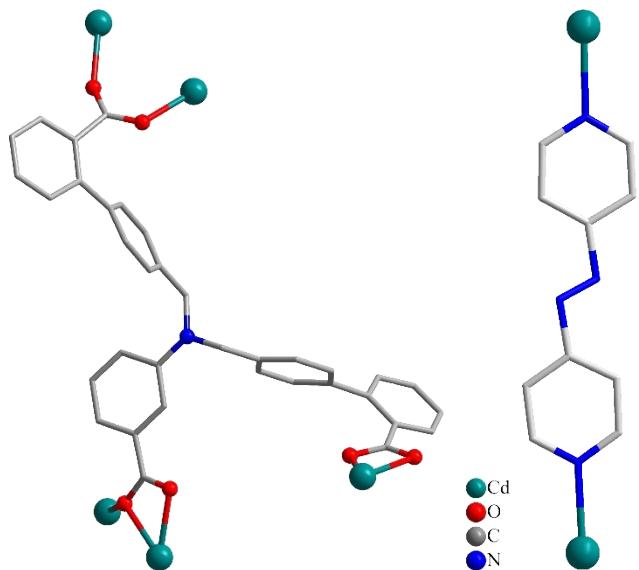


Figure. S4 Coordination modes of the 3-BAB^{3-} ligand and the *bpa* ligand in compound 2.

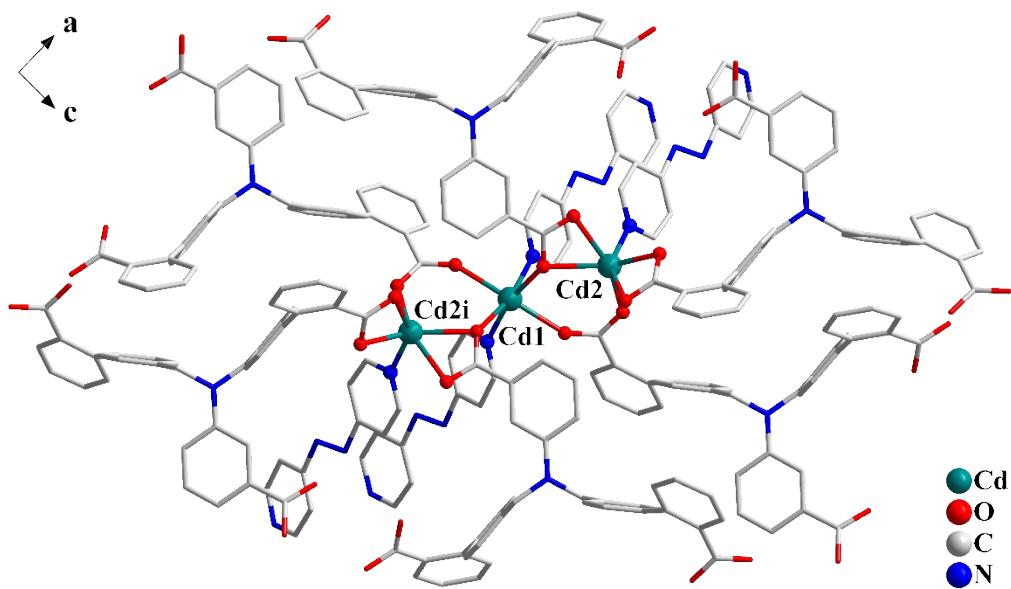


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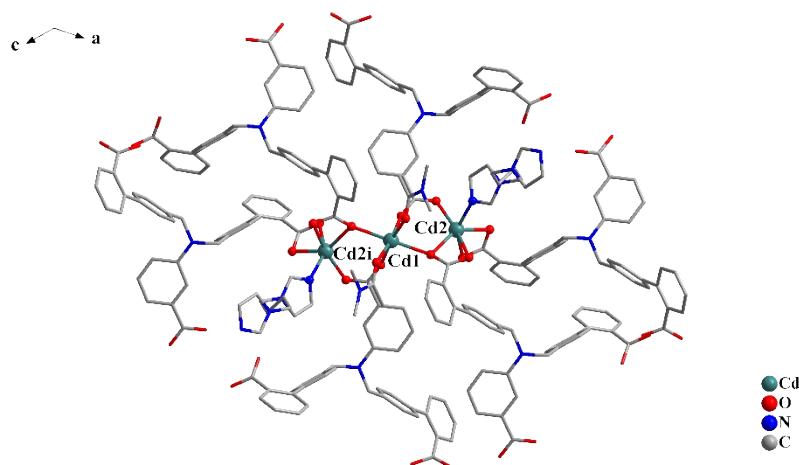


Figure. S6 The coordination environment of Cd²⁺ ions in compound **4**. Symmetry codes: (i) 1/2- x , + y , - z .

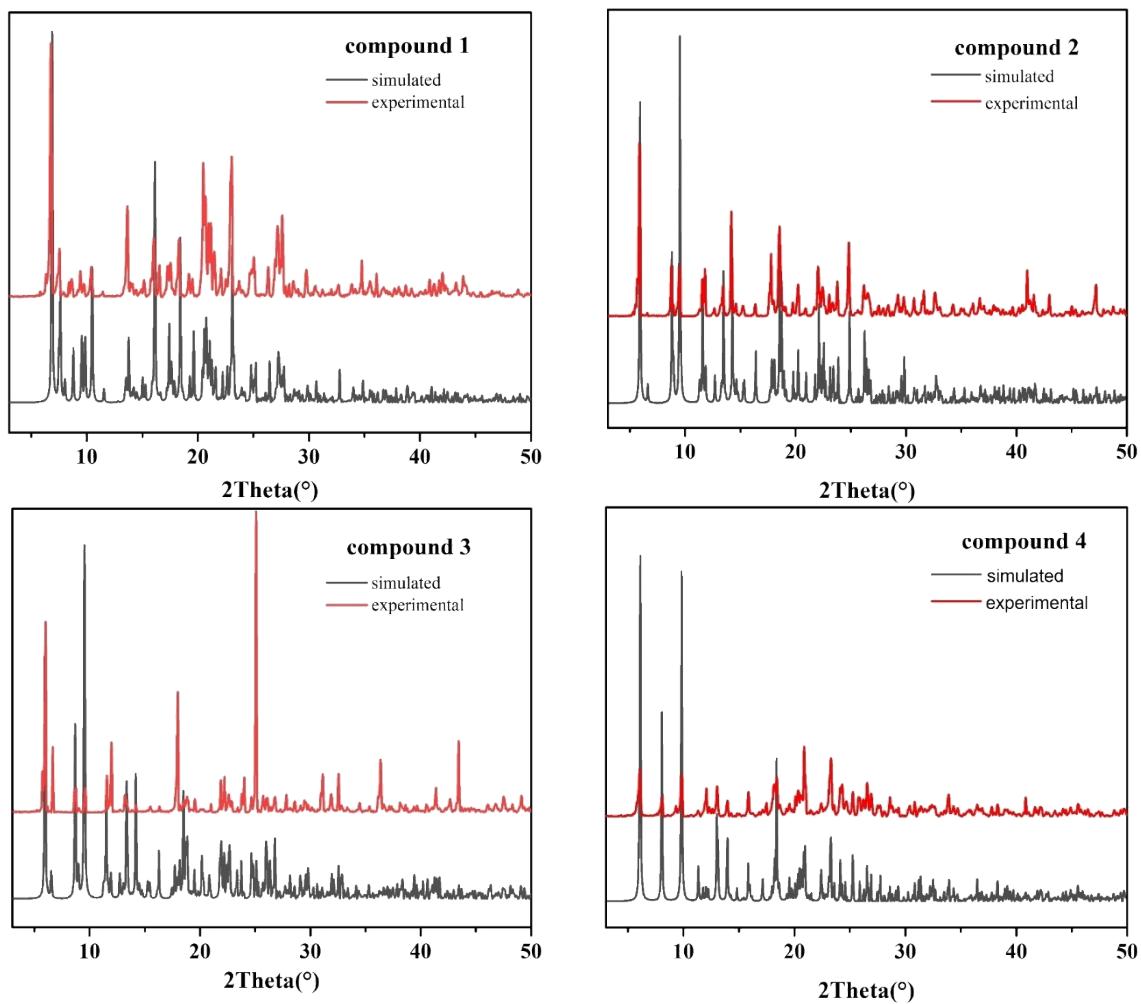


Figure.S7 PXRD patterns of compounds **1-4**.

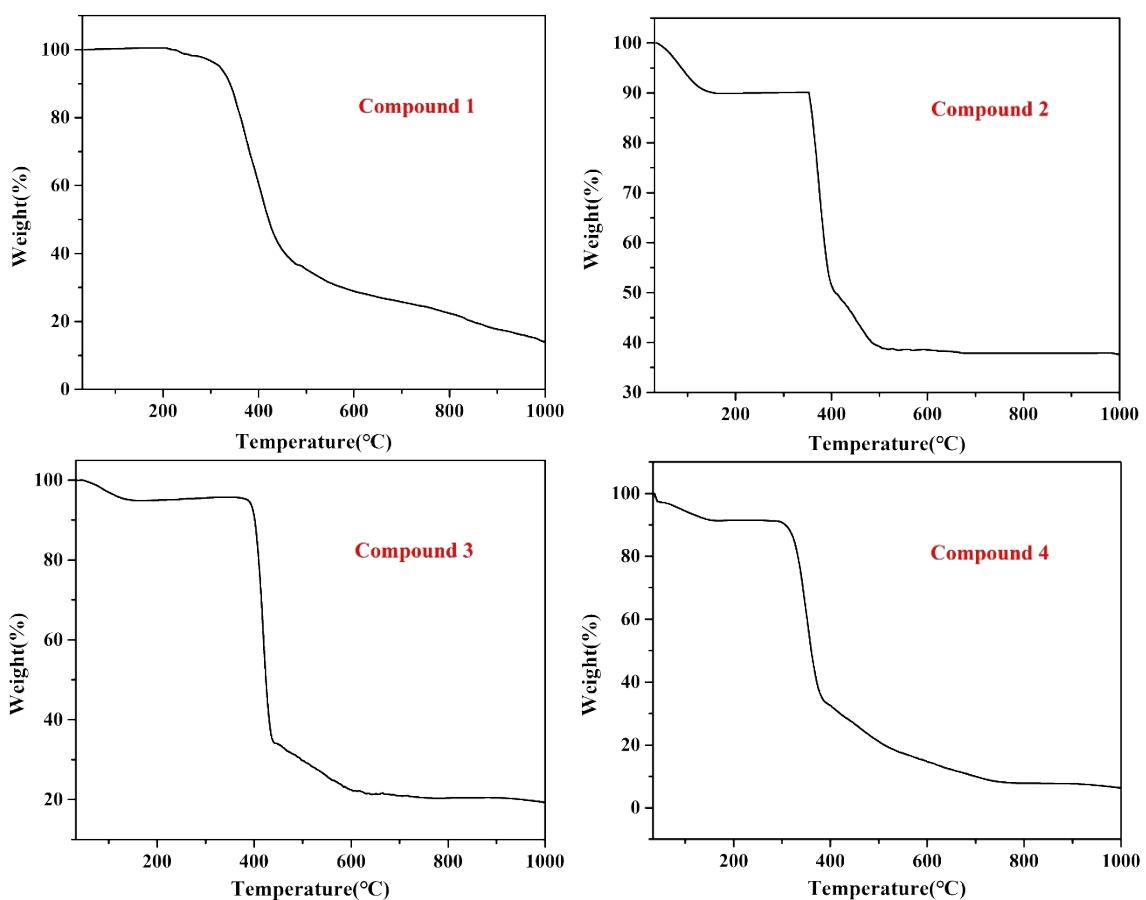


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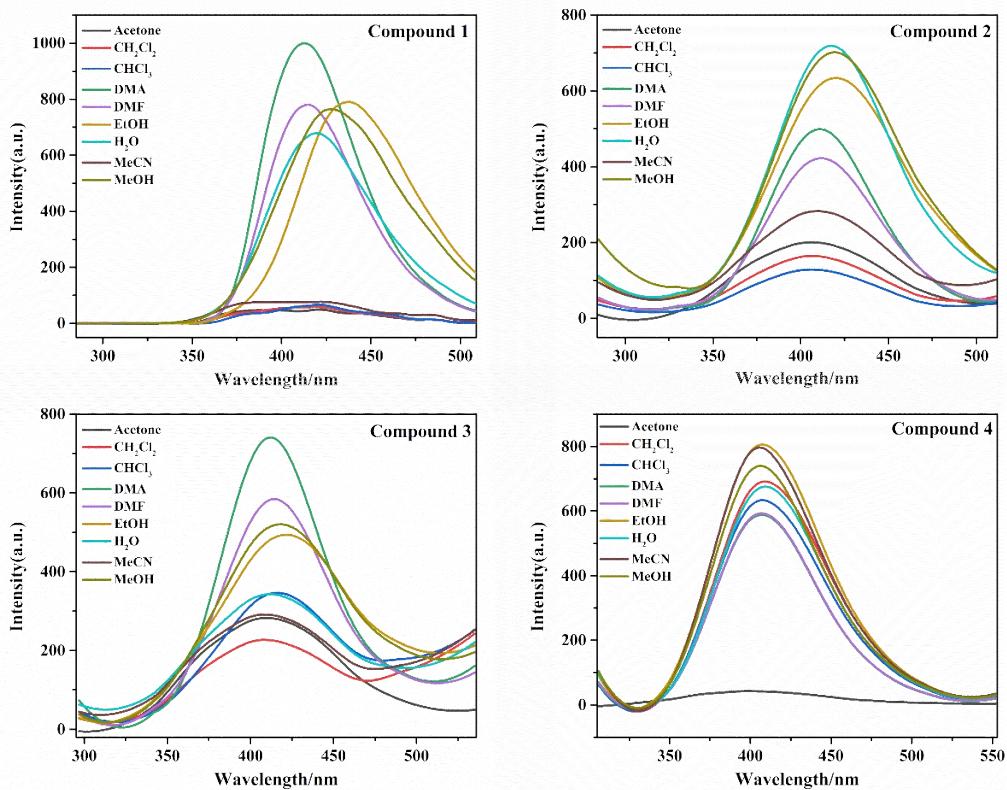


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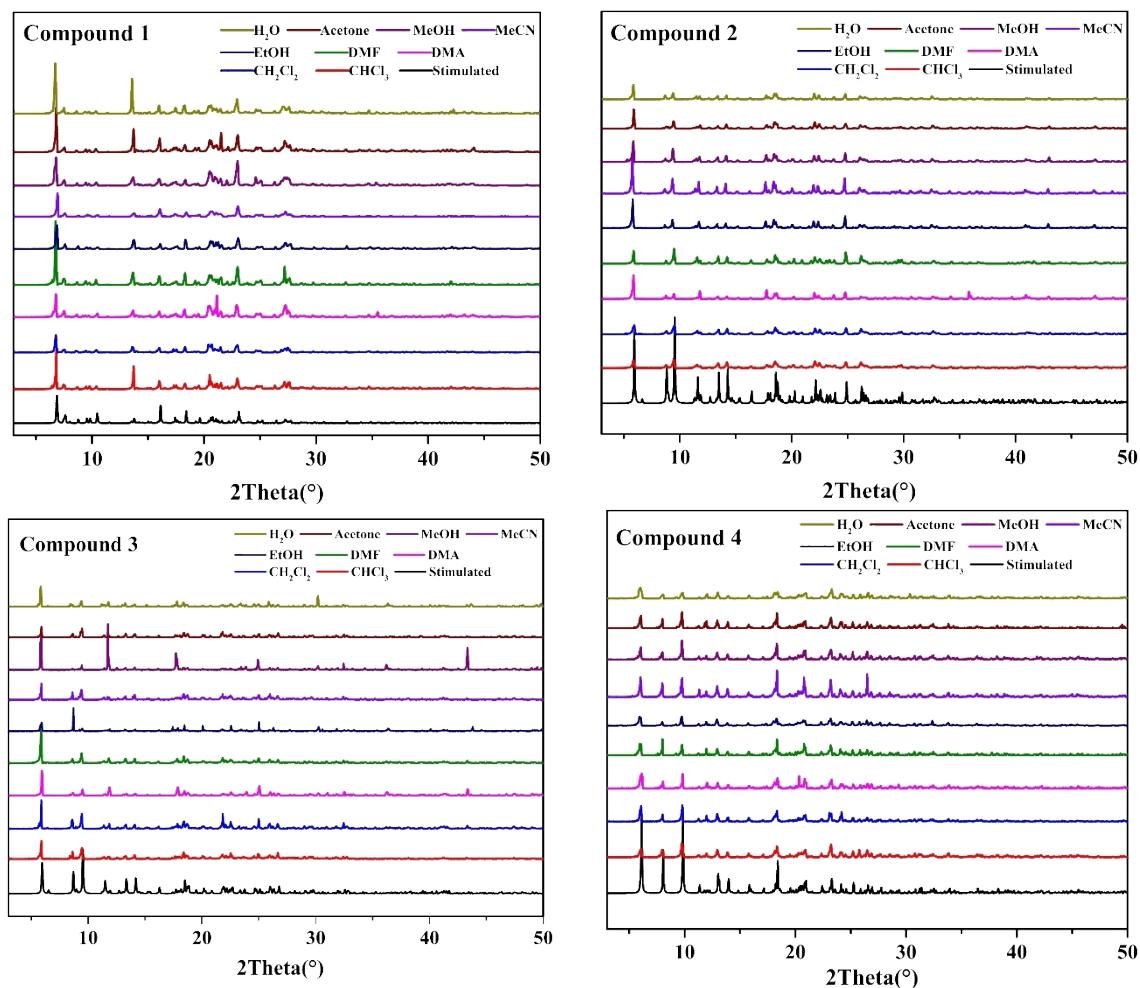


Figure. S10 PXRD patterns of compounds **1-4** immersed 60 h in different solvents.

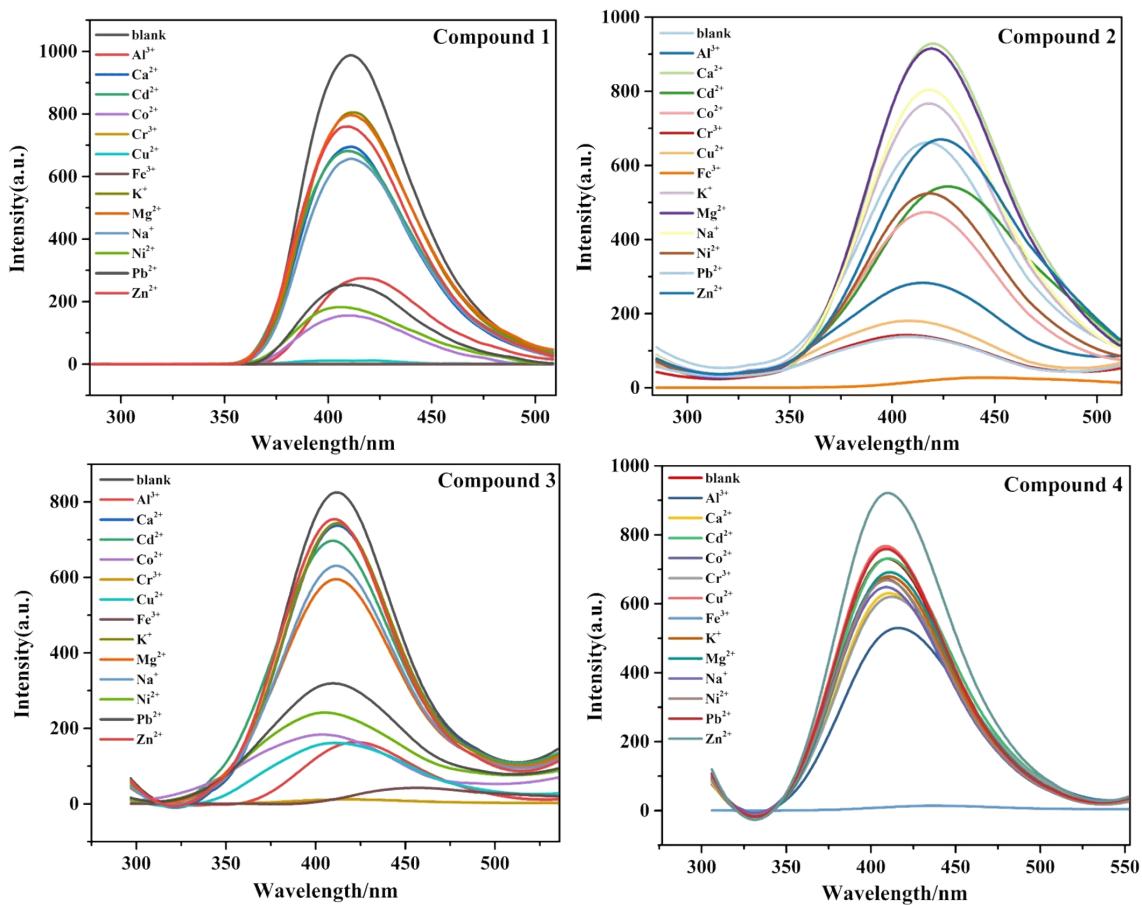


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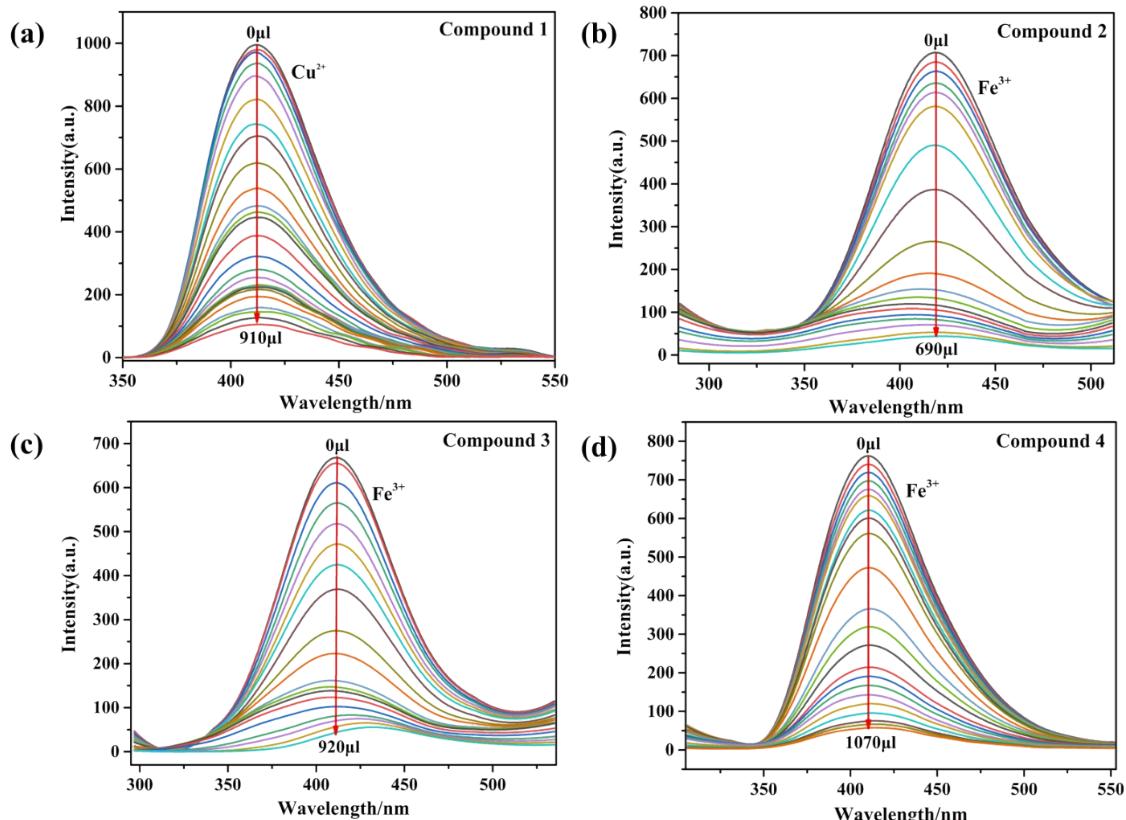


Figure. S12 (a) Luminescence spectra of compound **1@Cu²⁺** DMA suspensions with Cu²⁺ concentrations varying from 0 to 3.07×10^{-1} mM; (b) Luminescence spectra of compound **2@Fe³⁺** H₂O suspensions with Fe³⁺ concentrations varying from 0 to 2.43×10^{-1} mM; (c) Luminescence spectra of compound **3@Fe³⁺** DMA suspensions with Fe³⁺ concentrations varying from 0 to 3.11×10^{-1} mM (d) Luminescence spectra of compound **4@Fe³⁺** H₂O suspensions with Fe³⁺ concentrations varying from 0 to 3.53×10^{-1} mM.

Table S6 Performance comparison between various fluorescent material sensors for Fe³⁺ and Cu²⁺

Compounds	Analyte	K_{SV}	LOD	References
[Zn(1,1'-bbi)(C ₂ O ₄)] _n	Fe ³⁺	6.98×10^4	0.43 μM	[1]
[Cd ₃ (L) ₂ (NH ₂ -BDC) ₆ (DMF) ₂]	Fe ³⁺	3.23×10^4	2.23 μM	[2]
[Cd₃(3-BABA)₂(bpe)₂]_n (3)	Fe³⁺	2.98×10^4	0.265	This work
[Cd ₃ (L) ₂ (1,1'-bbi)(H ₂ O) ₄] _n	Fe ³⁺	2.36×10^4	1.27 μM	[3]
{[Cd ₂ (SA) ₂ (L) ₂]·H ₂ O} _n	Fe ³⁺	2.1×10^4	2.40 μM	[4]
[Cd ₂ (1,3-bimb)(bpta)(H ₂ O)] _n ·0.5nH ₂ O	Fe ³⁺	1.91×10^4	/	[5]
[Zn ₂ (TPOM)(NDC) ₂]·3.5H ₂ O	Fe ³⁺	1.9×10^4	2 μM	[6]
[Zn₃(3-BABA)₂(bpa)₂(H₂O)₂]_n (1)	Cu²⁺	1.77×10^4	0.363	This work
[Cd₃(3-BABA)₂(bpa)₂]_n (2)	Fe³⁺	1.14×10^4	0.539	This work
{[Cd₃(3-BABA)₂(bib)(DMA)₂]_n (4)}	Fe³⁺	8050	0.748	This work
[Cd(CDC)(L)] _n	Fe ³⁺	4900	74 μM	[7]
[Zn ₂ (L ₁) ₂ (bpe) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂]	Fe ³⁺	2395	25 μM	[8]

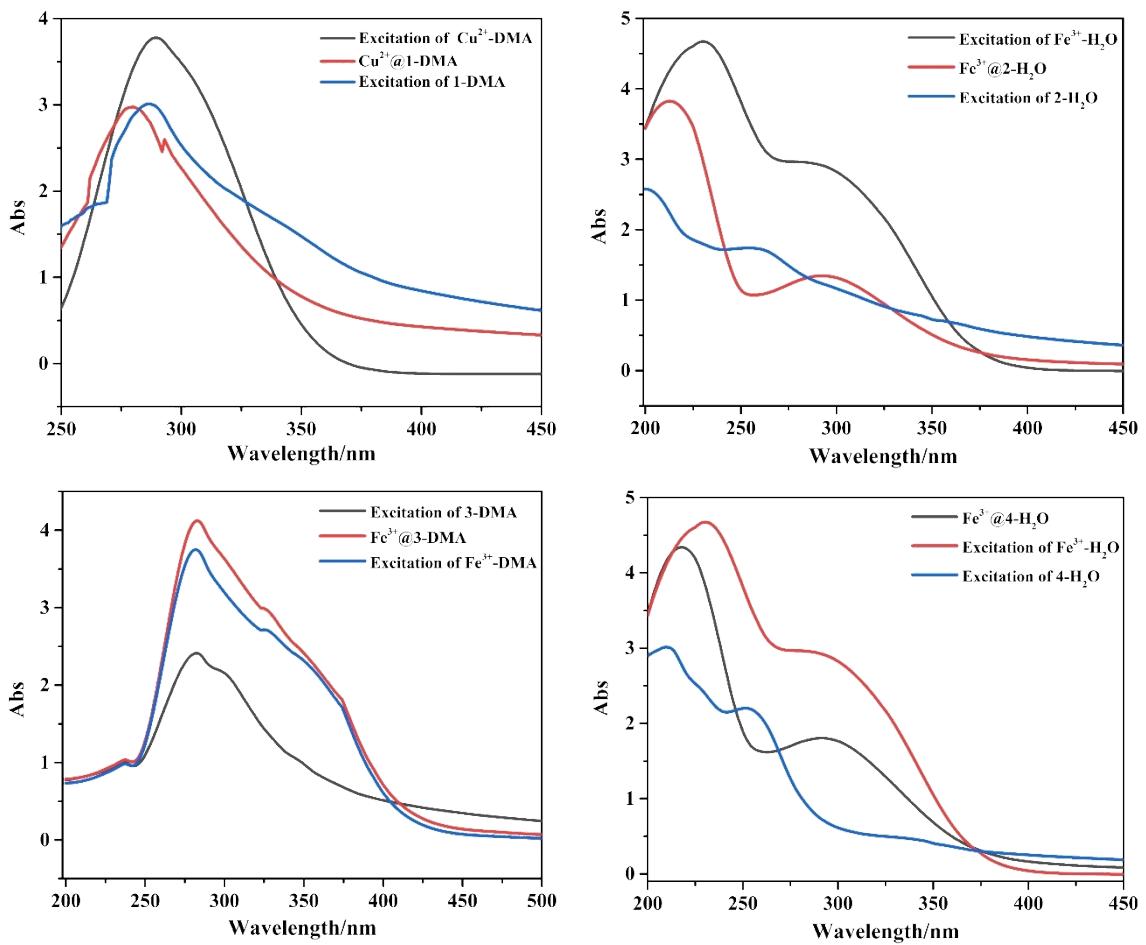


Figure. S13 UV-vis adsorption spectra of $M(NO_3)_n$ solutions and the excitation spectrum of **1-4**.

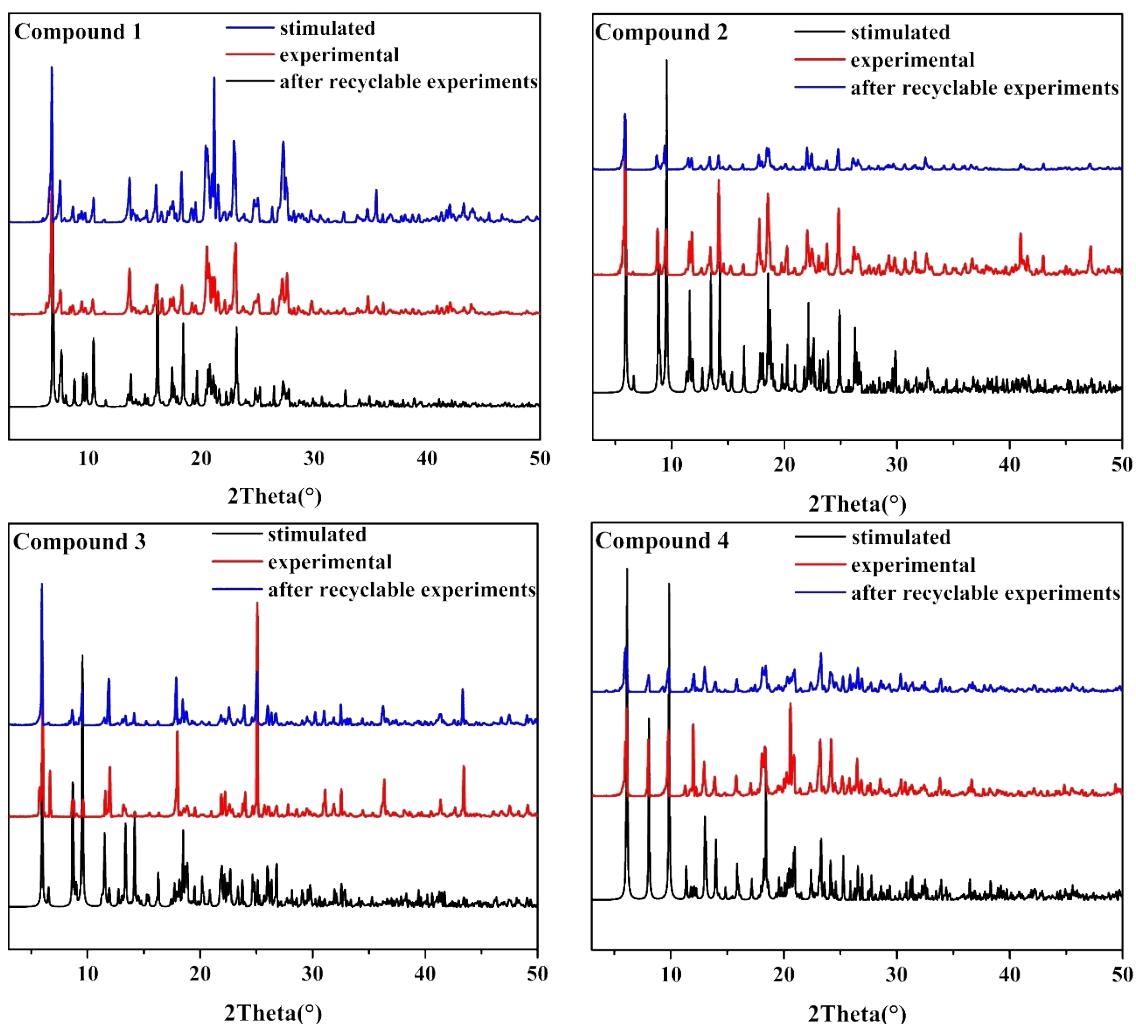


Figure. S14 PXRD patterns of compounds **1-4** before and recyclable experiments.

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