

## Supplementary Information

for

### Vapoluminescent thin-film with unsaturated copper(I) complex for rapid light-on sensing of N-heteroaromatic vapour

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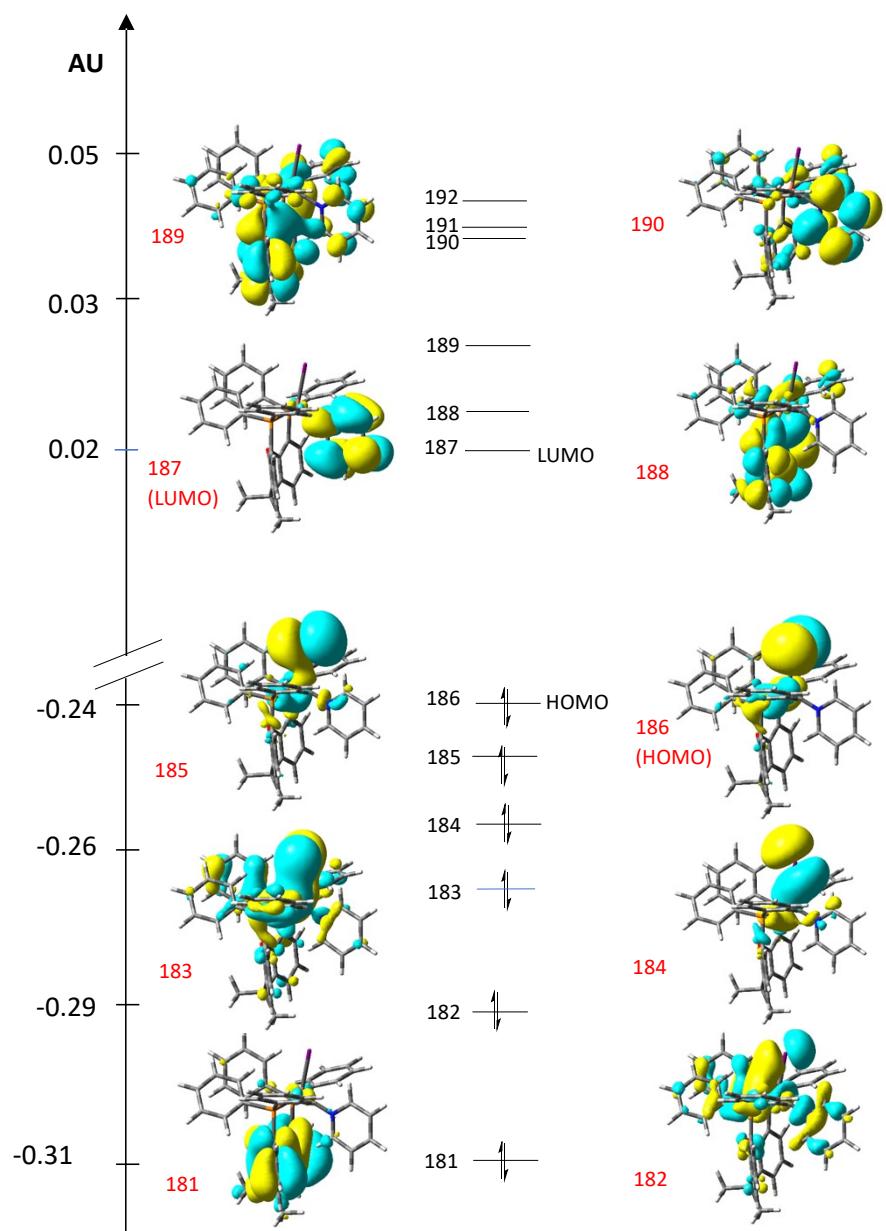
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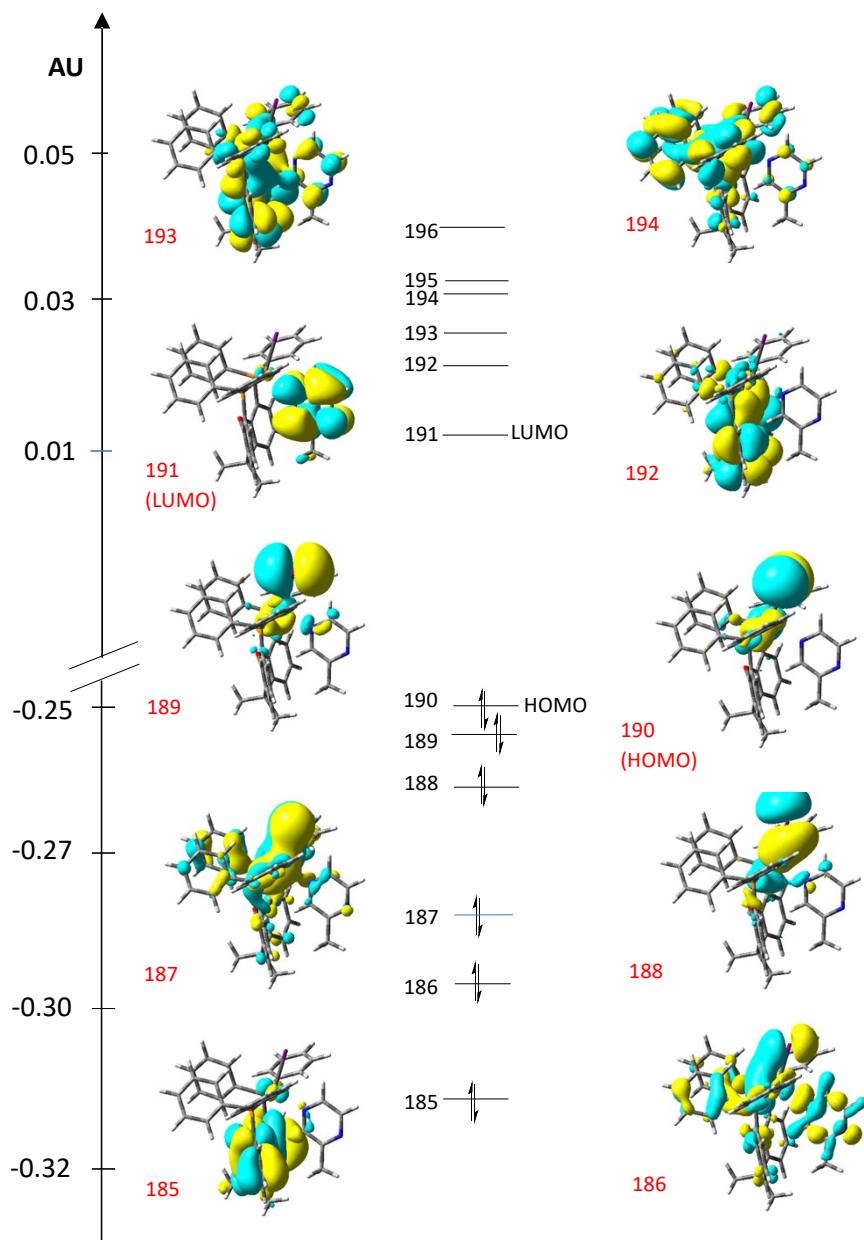
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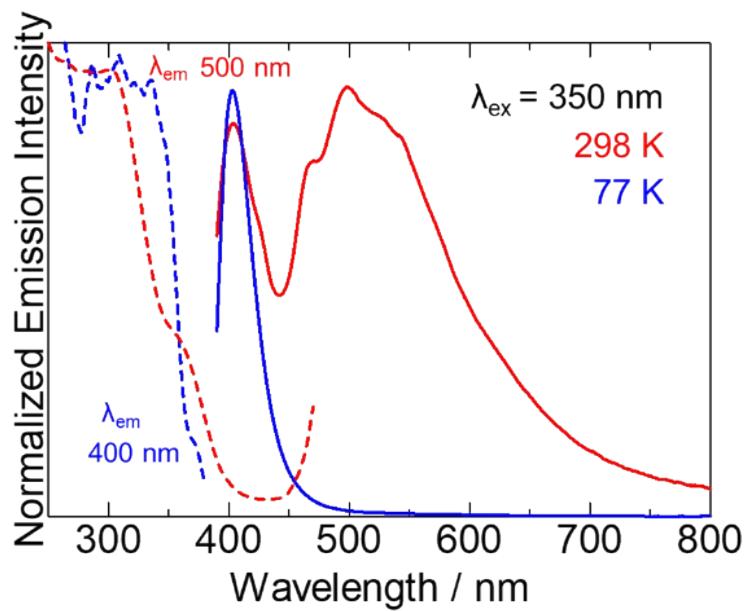
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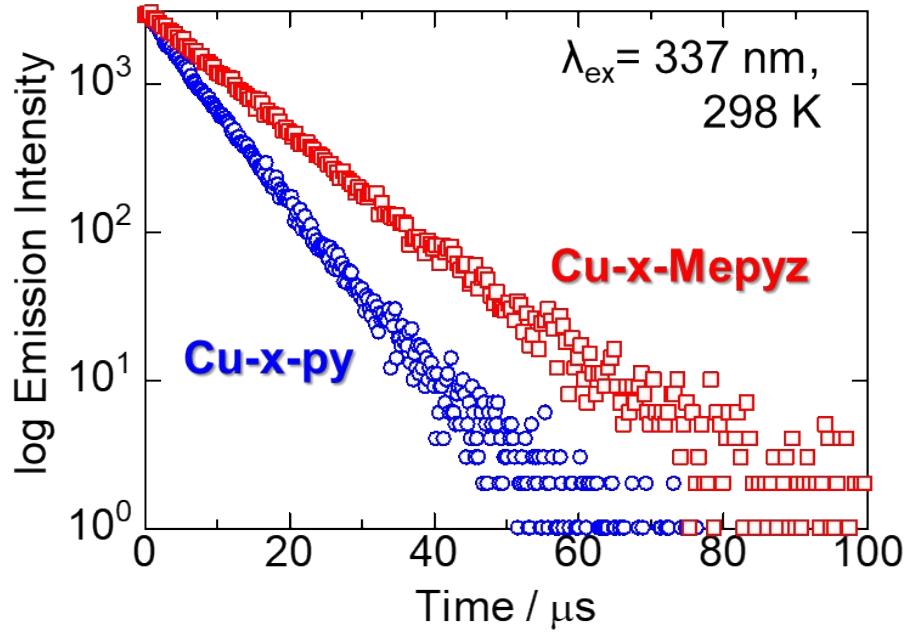
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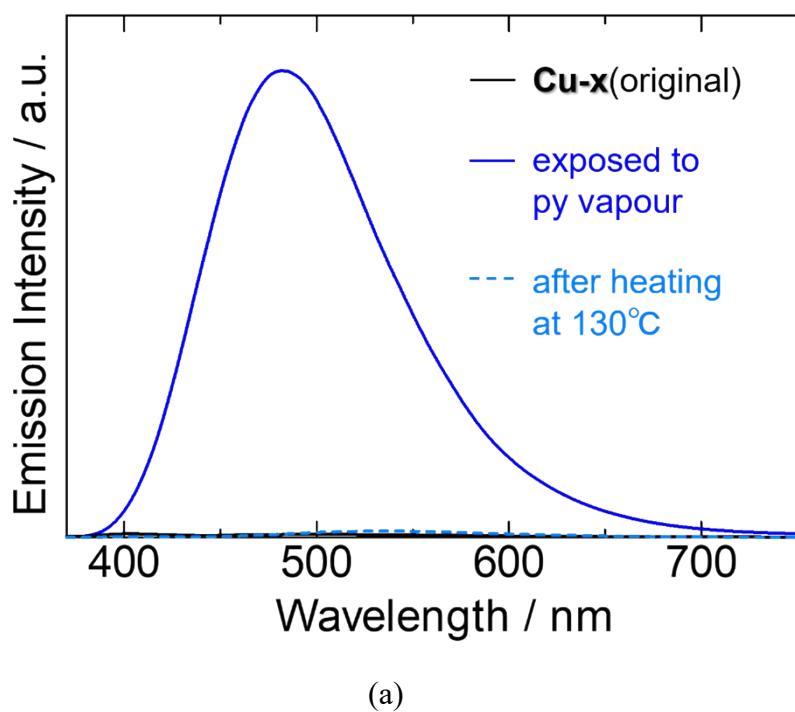
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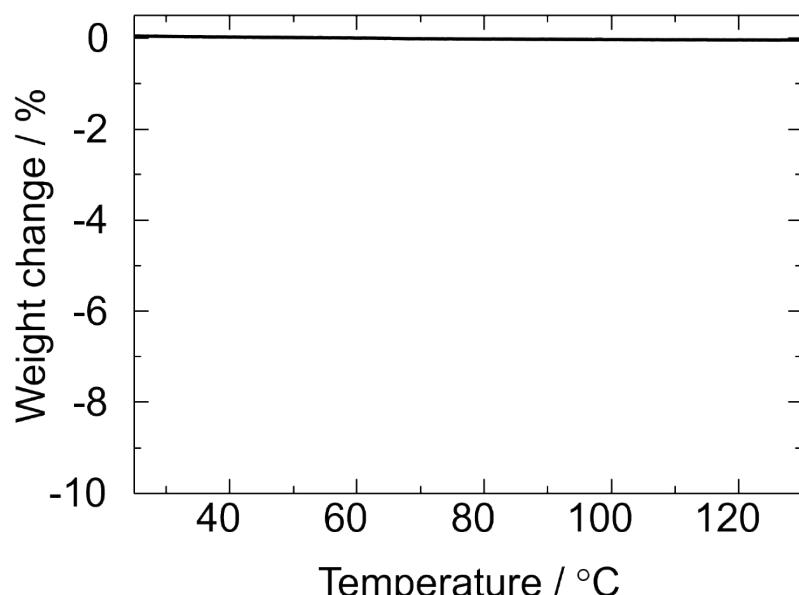
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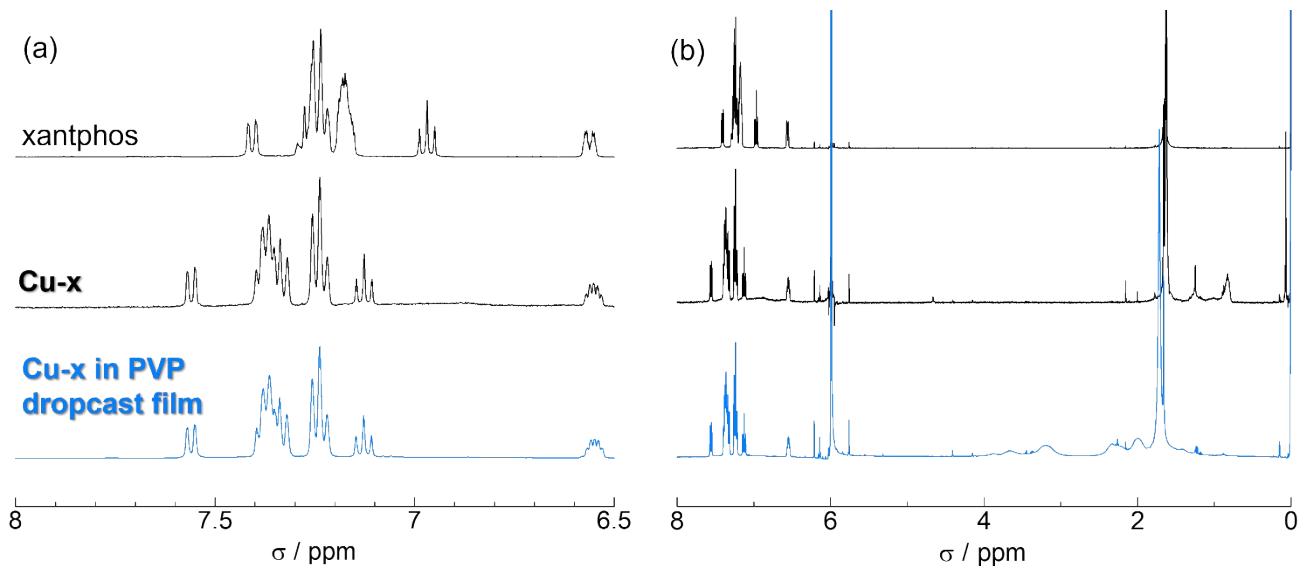


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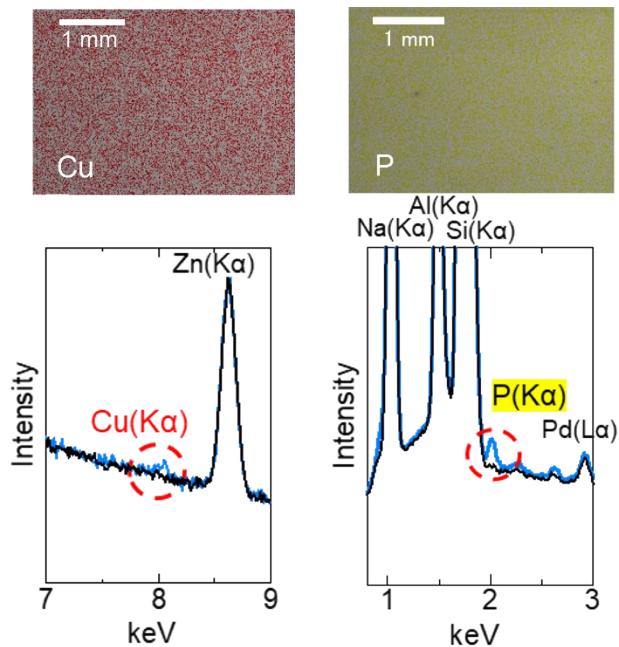


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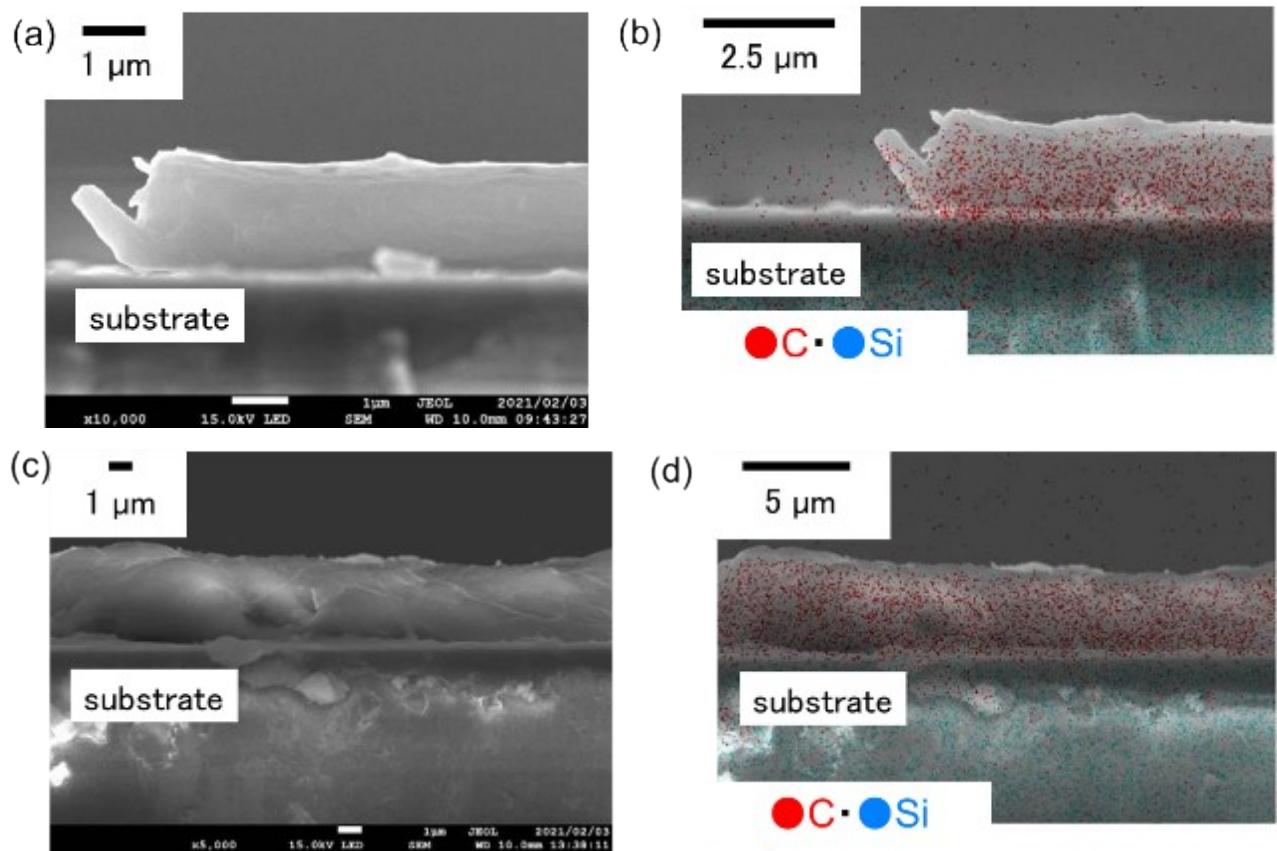
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**Fig. S6**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **Cu-x** in drop-cast PVP film (blue line), (a) the aromatic region and (b) the whole range (at 293 K, 400 MHz, in 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>). Those of xantphos and **Cu-x** are shown for comparison.

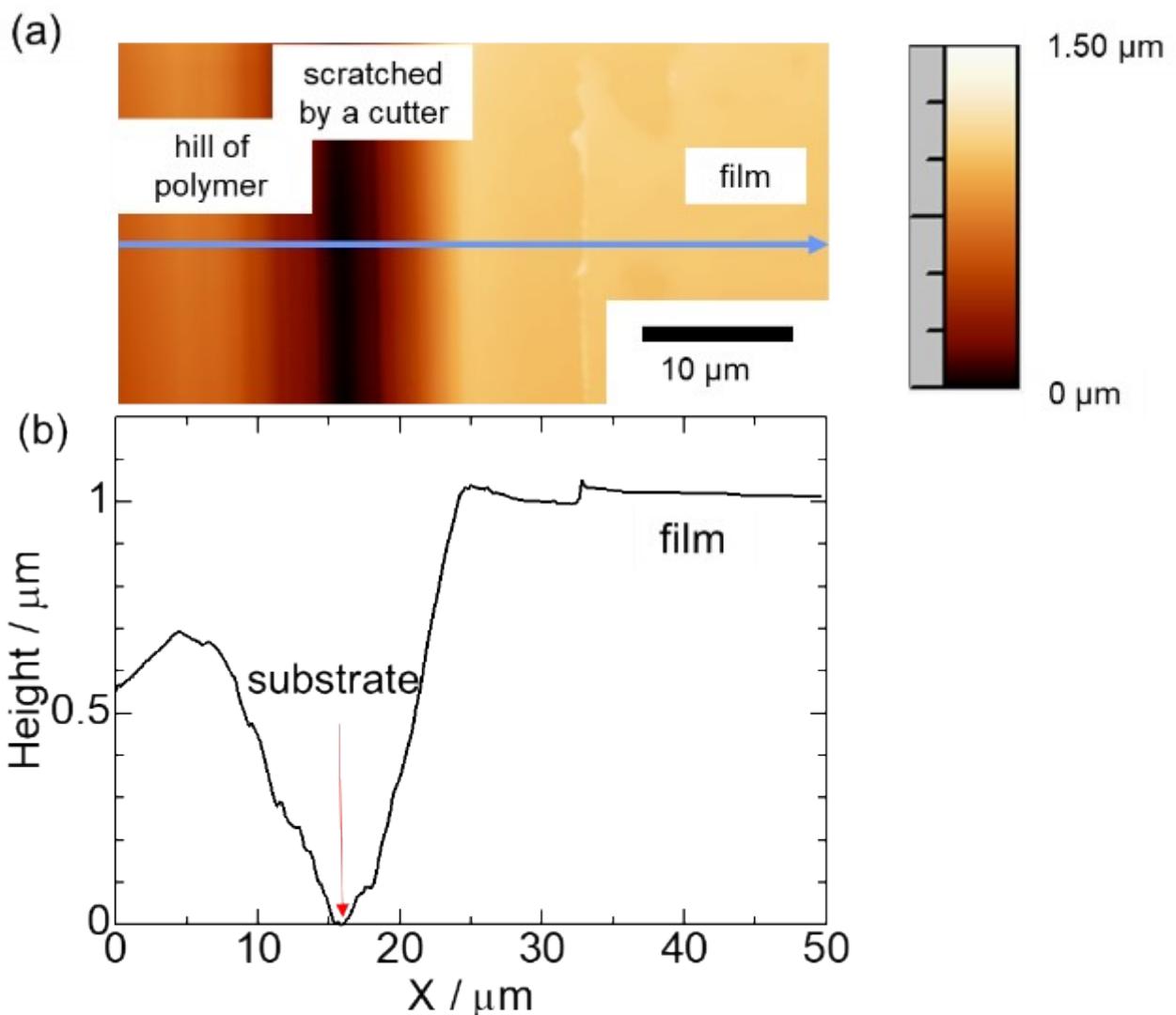


**Fig. S7** EDX elemental mapping images of Cu and P (upper) and EDX spectra at Cu K-edge (left) and P K-edge (right) (lower, blue lines) for **Cu-x@PVP** surface on ITO slide glass. Black lines show those of the PVP film.



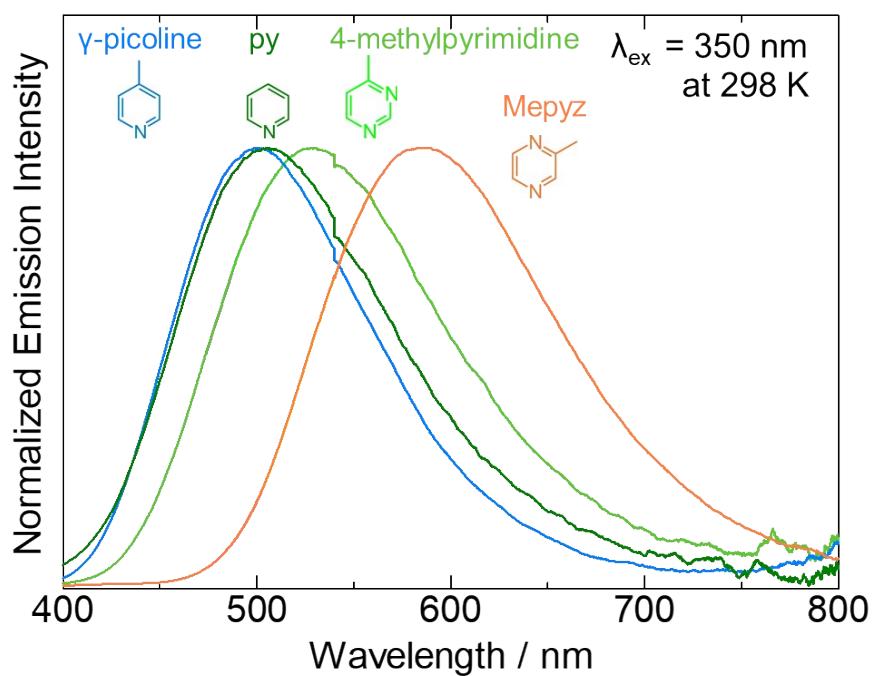
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The cross section generated when the substrate was divided in half was observed.

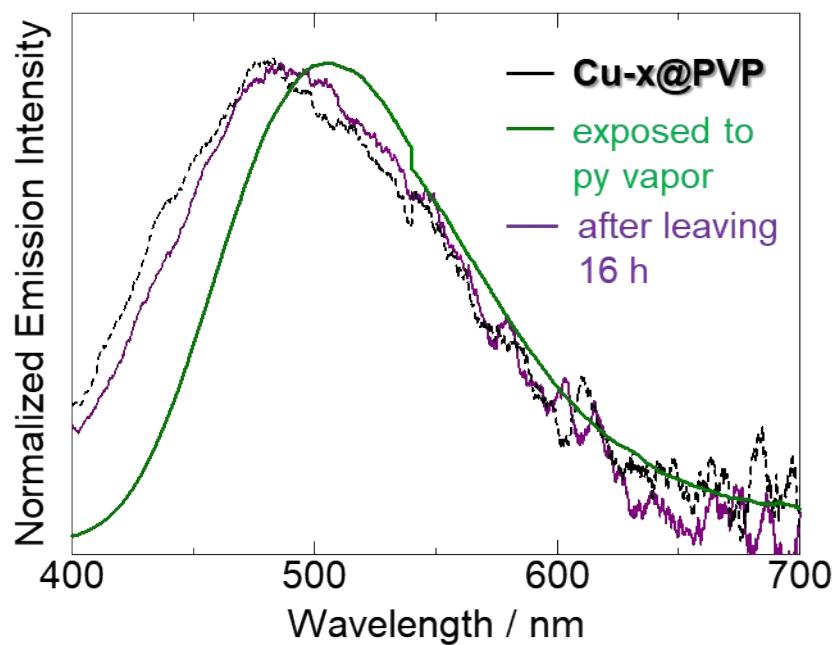


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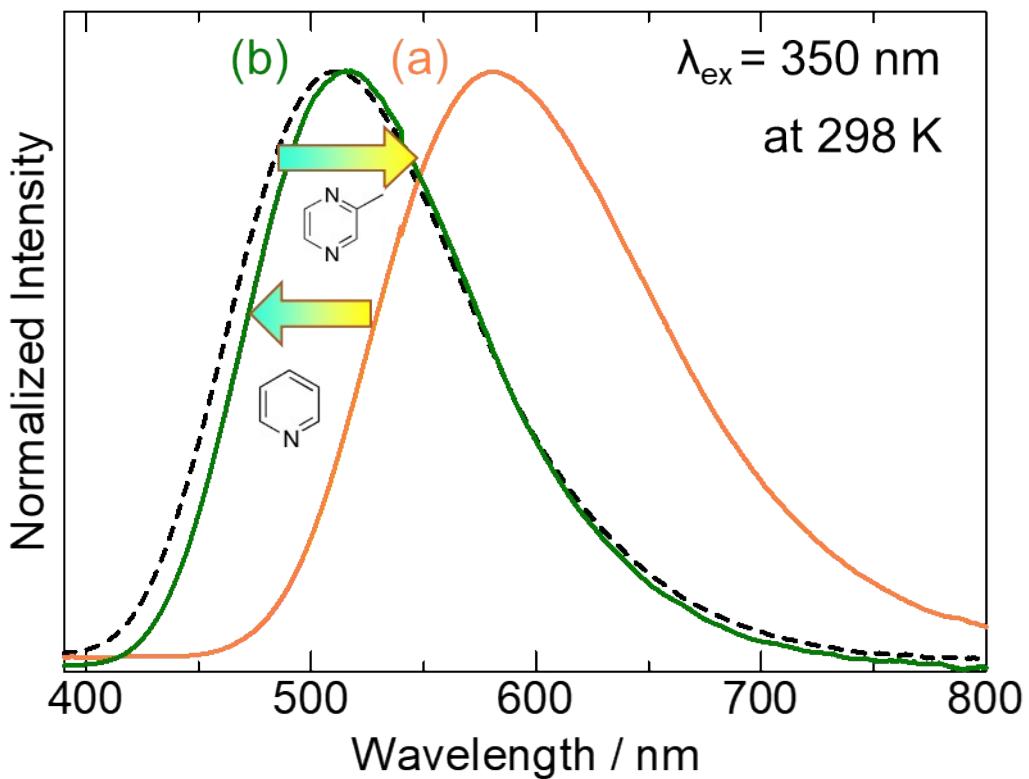
*Caution) PVP was distorted when scratching because it was very soft.*



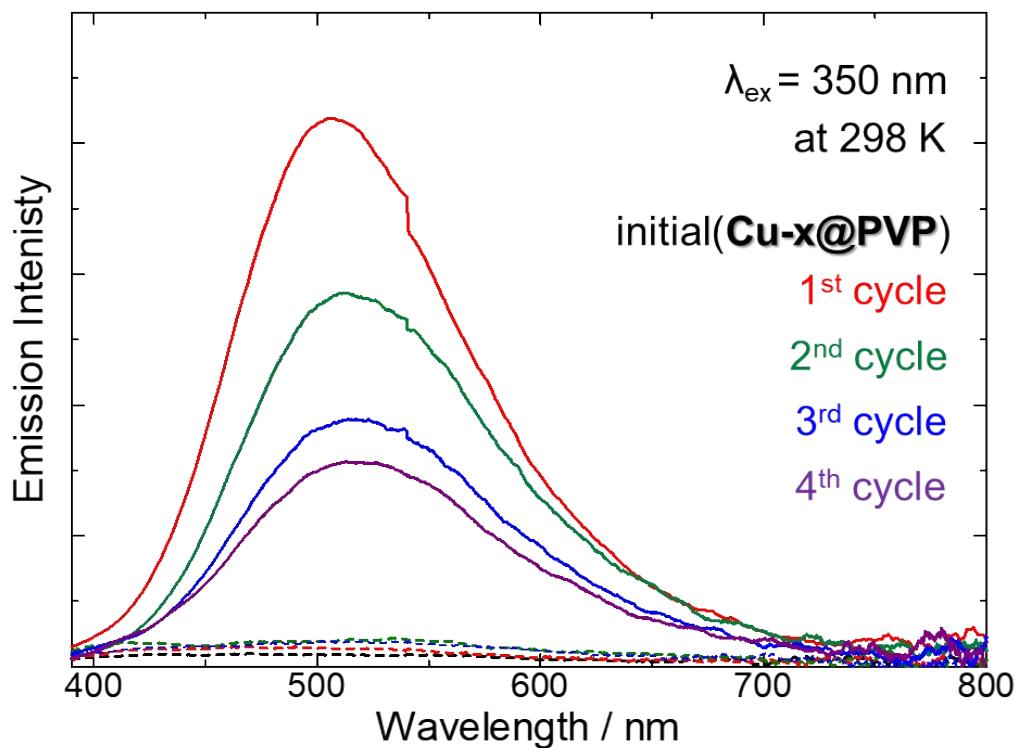
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**Fig. S11** Emission spectra of **Cu-x@PVP** after py vapor exposure and the film after the subsequent drying ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 350$  nm, at 298 K).

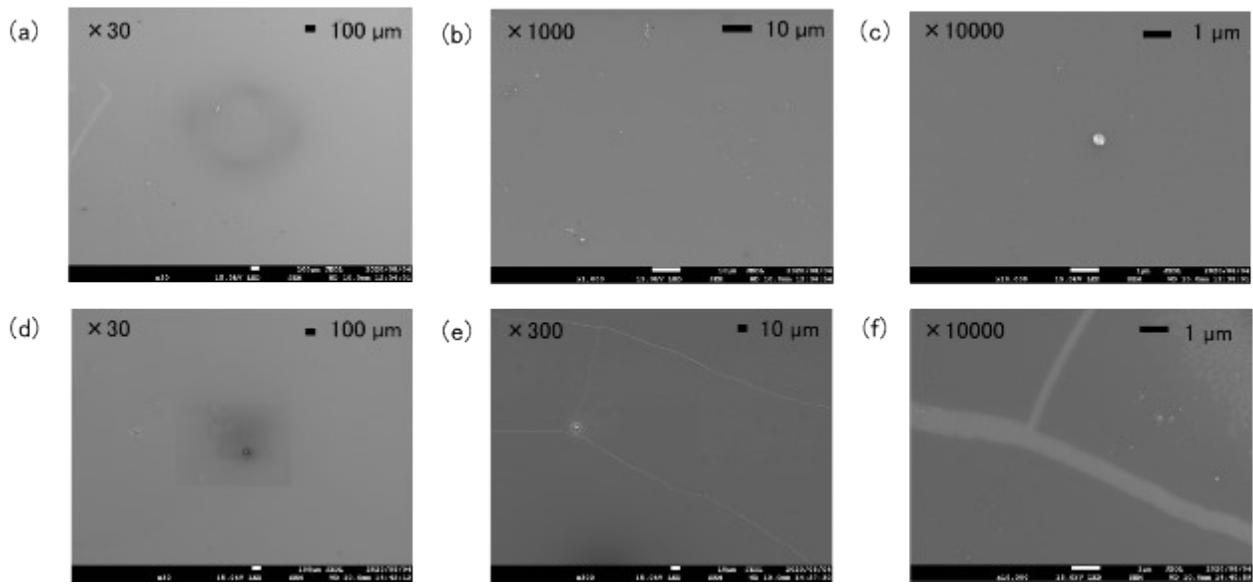


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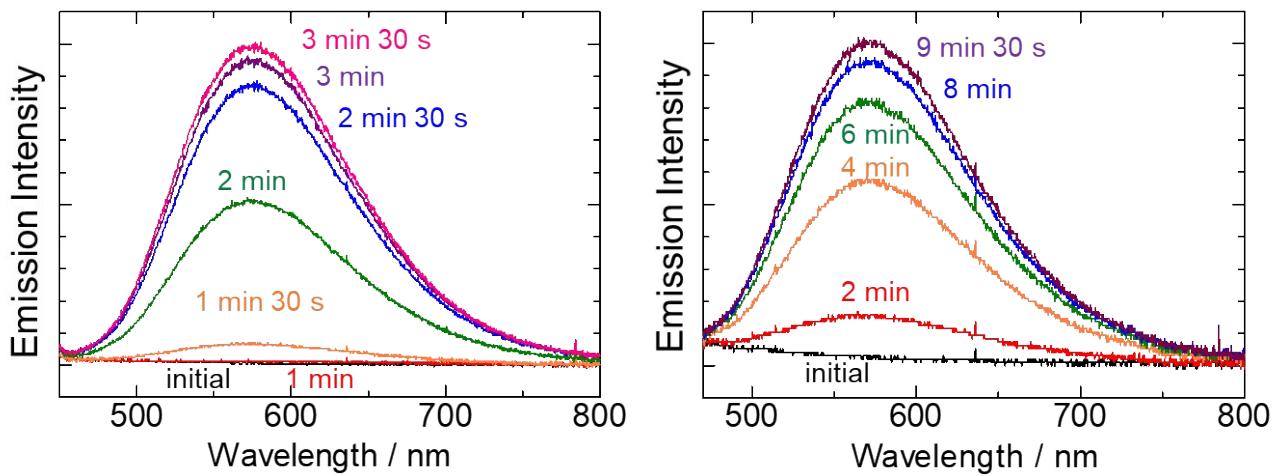


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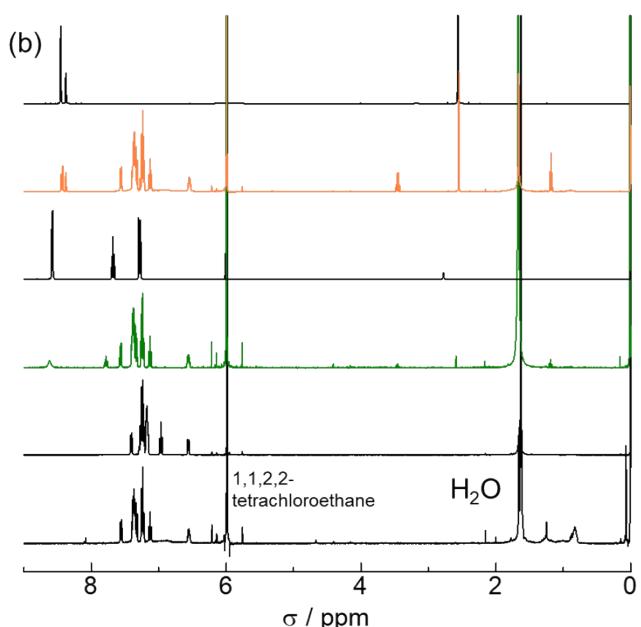
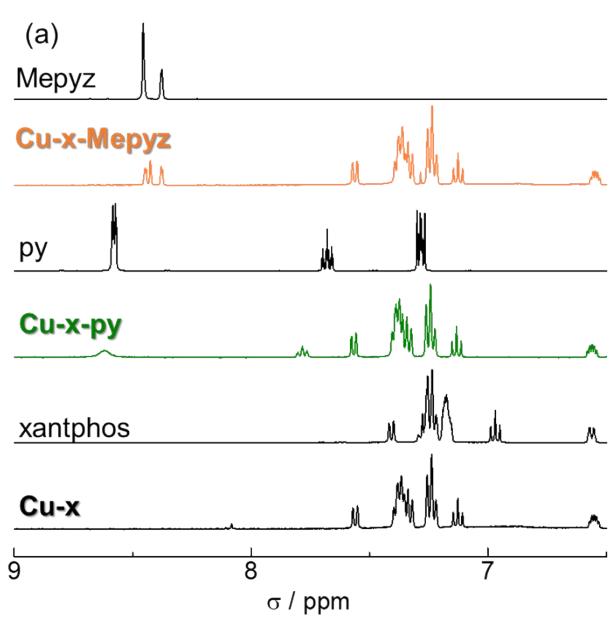
Black broken line shows **Cu-x@PVP** before py vapor exposure. All measurements were conducted using the same sample. Red, green, blue and purple lines show **Cu-x@PVP** after first, second, third and fourth py vapor exposure, respectively. Red, green and blue lines show **Cu-x@PVP** after first, second and third py vapor exposure, respectively.



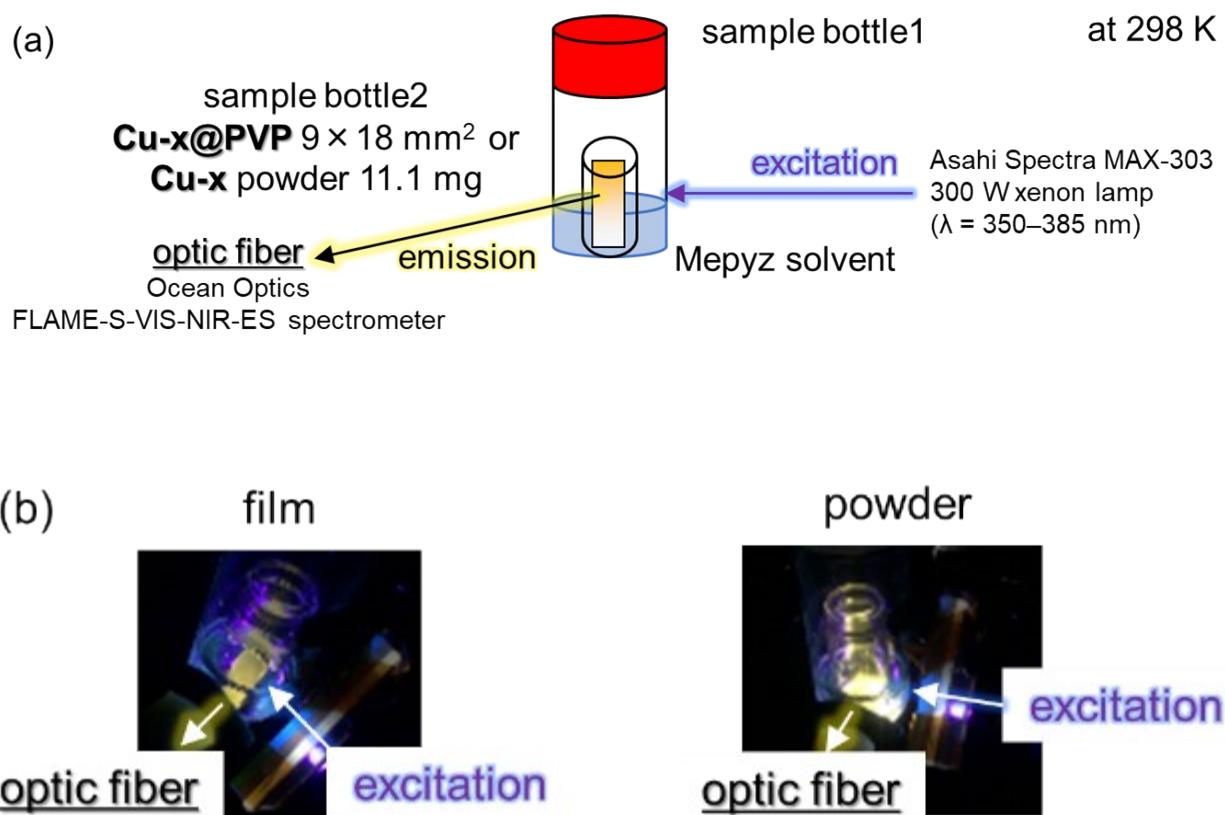
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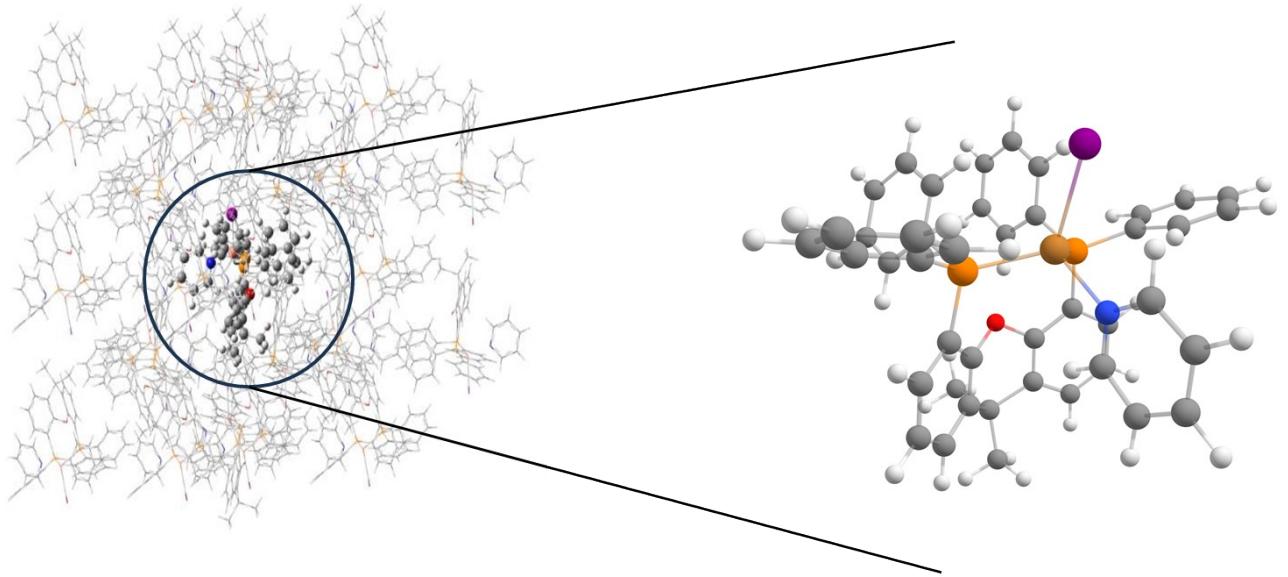
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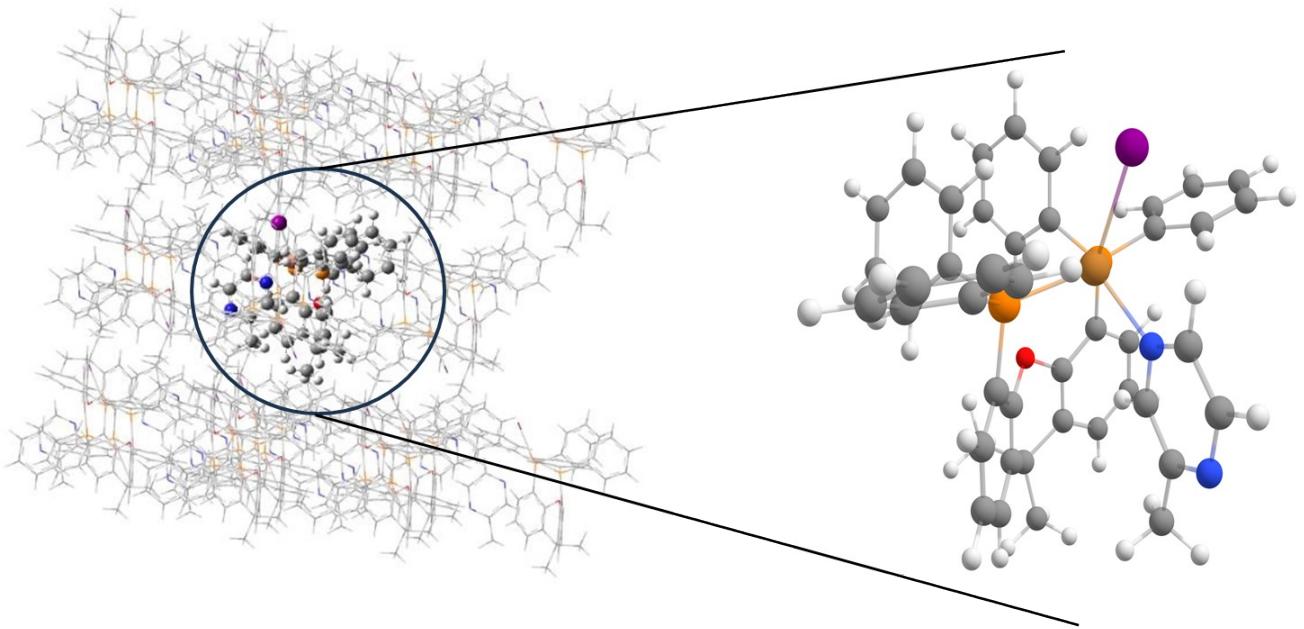
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**Fig. S17** (a)Schematic images of the experimental setup for *in-situ* emission spectral measurement under vapour exposure and (b) the photos of samples after *in-situ* emission spectral measurement under UV light.



**Fig. S18** Cluster model of **Cu-x-py** system. The ONIOM high-layer is shown in “ball and stick”, and the ONIOM low-layer is shown in “wireframe”.



**Fig. S19** Cluster model of **Cu-x-Mepyz**. The ONIOM high-layer is shown in “ball and stick”, and the ONIOM low-layer is shown in “wireframe”.

**Table S1.** Crystal parameters and refinement data.

Complex	<b>Cu-x-py·1.5H<sub>2</sub>O ·0.25py</b>	<b>Cu-x-Mepyz</b>
<i>T</i> / K	150	150
Formula	C <sub>44</sub> H <sub>37</sub> CuINOP <sub>2</sub> , 1.5(H <sub>2</sub> O),0.25(C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N)	C <sub>44</sub> H <sub>38</sub> CuIN <sub>2</sub> OP <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight	894.98	863.20
Crystal system	<i>triclinic</i>	<i>monoclinic</i>
Space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P2</i> <sub>1</sub> /c
<i>a</i> / Å	12.0341(1)	10.0650(1)
<i>b</i> / Å	17.0326(1)	19.0428(2)
<i>c</i> / Å	21.4201(3)	20.0881(2)
$\alpha$ / °	100.472(1)	90
$\beta$ / °	104.670(1)	93.390(1)
$\gamma$ / °	90.043(1)	90
<i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>	4171.59(8)	3843.46(7)
<i>Z</i>	4	4
<i>D</i> <sub>cal</sub> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.425	1.492
Reflections collected	27386	29244
Unique reflections	24775	14554
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	n/a	0.0256
GOF	1.034	1.065
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )) <sup>a</sup>	0.0596	0.0570
<i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> <sup>b</sup>	0.1767	0.1685

<sup>a</sup>*R*<sub>1</sub> = Σ||*F*<sub>o</sub>| - |*F*<sub>c</sub>||/Σ|*F*<sub>o</sub>|.   <sup>b</sup> *wR*<sub>2</sub> = [Σ*w*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> - *F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)/Σ*w*(*F*<sub>o</sub>)<sup>2</sup>]<sup>1/2</sup>, *w* = [*σ*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>) + (*xP*)<sup>2</sup> + *yP*]<sup>-1</sup>, *P* = (*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> - 2*F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)/3.

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) of the X-ray structures and the optimized ground state structures.

	<b>Cu-x<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Cu-x-py·1.5H<sub>2</sub>O ·0.25py</b>	<b>Cu-py (DFT)</b>	<b>Cu-x Mepyz</b>	<b>Cu-x Mepyz (DFT)</b>
Cu1-I1	2.513(2)	2.626(1), 2.618(1)	2.62	2.565(1)	2.62
Cu1-P1	2.247(3)	2.262(1), 2.262(1)	2.29	2.261(1)	2.30
Cu1-P2	2.259(2)	2.2624(2), 2.269(2)	2.28	2.258(1)	2.30
Cu1...O1	2.83(1)	3.170(3), 3.179(3)	3.26	3.215(3)	3.28
Cu1-N1	-	2.087(5), 2.085(5)	2.15	2.273(4)	2.18
I1-Cu1-P1	116.8(1)	106.80(5), 105.37(5)	110.0	114.30(4)	112.2
I1-Cu1-P2	120.3(1)	111.08(5), 110.34(5)	112.0	115.65(4)	117.8
I1-Cu1-N1	-	106.6(1), 106.2(1)	107.7	103.4(1)	104.3
P1-Cu1-P2	118.7(1)	115.68(6), 116.80(6)	114.8	117.17(5)	114.4

*a) J. Huang, J. Chan, Y. Chen, C. J. Borths, K. D. Baucom, R. D. Larsen and M. M. Faul, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, 132, 3674–3675.*

Remarks: Reflecting the three-coordination structure, Cu1-I1 bond length of **Cu-x** was more than 0.05  $\text{\AA}$  shorter than that of other two complexes. In addition, in **Cu-x**, the O atom in the xantphos ligand is close to the Cu ion at a distance (Cu1 $\cdots$ O1) of 2.83 (1)  $\text{\AA}$ , which is about 0.4  $\text{\AA}$  shorter than the other two complexes. On the other hand, there is a marked difference in the Cu1-N1 bond between **Cu-x-py** and **Cu-x-Mepyz**. The very long distance in **Cu-x-Mepyz** would be due to the steric hindrance of the methyl group of the Mepyz ligand. In general, key structural parameters of the optimized ground state structures are in agreement with the X-ray structures.

**Table S3. Cartesian coordinates of the optimized structures (only ONIOM high-layer)****Cu-x-py**

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C	-2.11920800	-0.63641700	0.59995800
O	-0.21768300	-0.13609600	1.90137300
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C	0.05462300	0.77541700	2.95426400
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H	-4.05348900	-1.52909400	3.83261300
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H	-1.19694700	-2.90371300	4.49209400
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C	-2.11961800	-0.62770600	0.52263500
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H	-3.00926300	-1.43223400	5.64586800
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H	-1.71635600	-0.61312500	6.49143300
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C	3.41162800	1.00717700	5.14058700
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C	2.86073100	2.21617100	5.54635000
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N	1.70758400	-1.17281300	-4.06998700

T<sub>1</sub>

I	0.53409900	4.05572700	-0.60002300
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C	3.36550700	-0.68980500	0.89371900
C	0.08503400	-3.18574400	1.10674600
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H	5.56464900	3.44893600	-2.48016600
C	1.58918600	-3.27730500	-2.81910000
H	1.18391400	-3.68556500	-1.89083900
H	2.64065200	-3.56645100	-2.90045200
H	1.06067700	-3.72251000	-3.66578300
C	1.50552700	0.14210400	-4.06002100
H	1.62755300	0.64001900	-5.01766500
C	1.09356000	0.88483900	-2.98709000
H	0.91084300	1.94730000	-3.06394400
N	0.89227500	0.27875800	-1.75781200
C	1.01359700	-1.09503800	-1.76474400
H	0.73853700	-1.62705900	-0.87494500
C	1.44898900	-1.78145600	-2.86302300
N	1.75682400	-1.17813100	-4.03189200

## Appendix 1

Evaluation of apparent vapochromic response constant  $k_{obs}$ .

Given the excess amount of Mepyz, the apparent emission intensity  $I$  in the reaction (1) increases depending on the concentration of **Cu-x** following the pseudo-first-order rate law.



The apparent reaction rate constant  $k_{obs}$  is described as follows:

$$d[\text{Cu-x}]/dt = -k_{obs} [\text{Cu-x}]$$

$$[\text{Cu-x}] = [\text{Cu-x}]_0 \exp(-k_{obs}t)$$

$$[\text{Cu-x-Mepyz}] = [\text{Cu-x}]_0 - [\text{Cu-x}]$$

$$[\text{Cu-x-Mepyz}] = [\text{Cu-x}]_0(1 - \exp(-k_{obs}(t - t_0)))$$

Assuming the emission intensity  $I$  is proportional to the amount of **[Cu-x-Mepyz]** and the intensity of  $[\text{Cu-x}]_0$  is ignored,

$$I = C(1 - \exp(-k_{obs}(t - t_0))) \quad (2)$$

Where  $t_0$  is the start time of the ligand addition reaction and  $C$  is a coefficient.

$$I - C = -C \exp(-k_{obs}(t - t_0))$$

When  $t = \infty$ , then  $C$  converges to 1.

$$I - 1 = -\exp(-k_{obs}(t - t_0))$$

$$1 - I = \exp(-k_{obs}(t - t_0))$$

$$\ln(I - 1) = -k_{obs}(t - t_0) \quad \dots \quad (3)$$

From the emission intensity evolution on vapor exposure shown in **Fig. 10**,  $k_{obs}$  and  $t_0$  were determined by the least square fitting based on equation (3). **Cu-x@PVP**:  $k_{obs} = 3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $C = 1$ ,  $t_0 = 95.73 \text{ s}$ ), **Cu-x** powder:  $k_{obs} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$  ( $C = 1$ ,  $t_0 = 93.72 \text{ s}$ ). The results are shown in **Fig. 10**.