

Supporting information

Luminescence turn-on sensor for the selective detections of trace water and methanol based on a Zn(II) coordination polymer with 2,5-dihydroxyterephthalate

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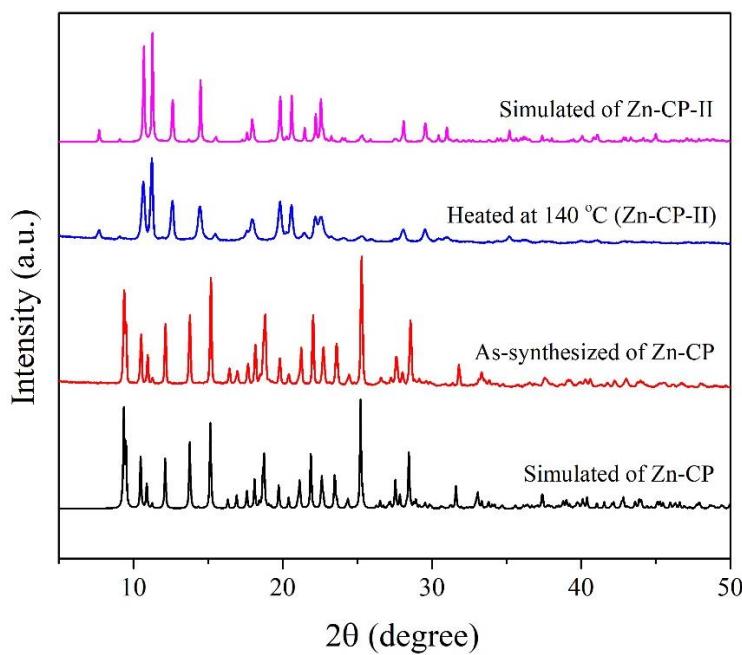


Fig. S1 PXRD patterns of as-synthesized samples compared with the simulated patterns **Zn-CP** and **Zn-CP-II**.

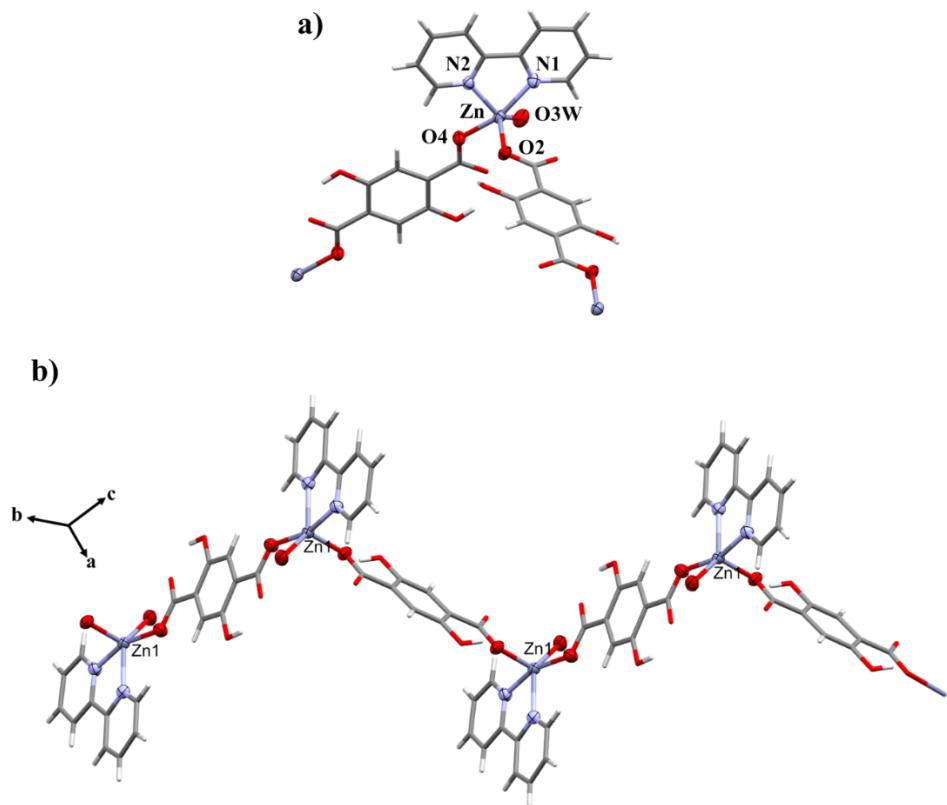


Fig. S2 a) Coordination environment around the Zn(II) center. b) 1D zigzag chain of **Zn-CP** through linker H₂dhtp²⁻ ligand.

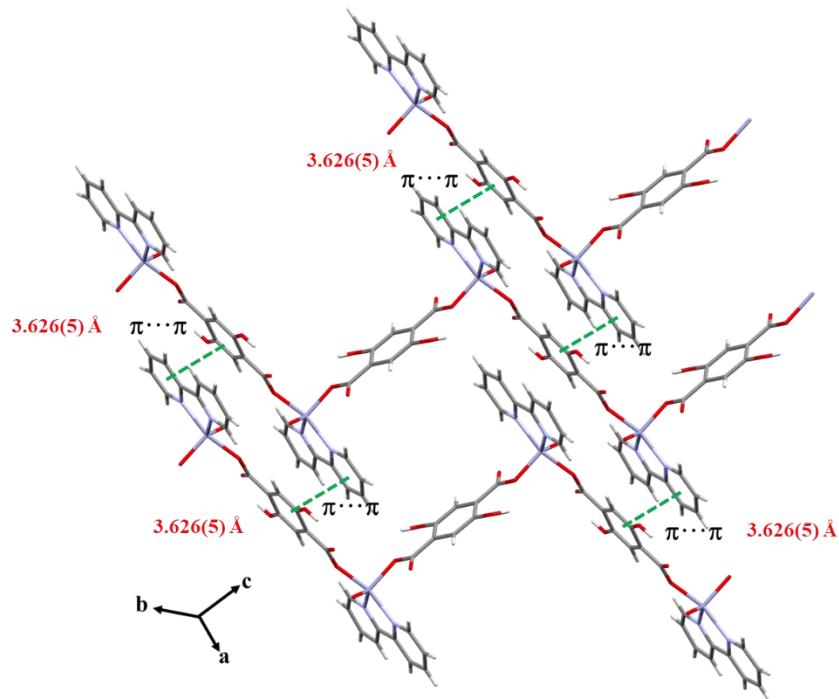


Fig. S3 2D layer of **Zn-CP** via $\pi\cdots\pi$ interaction along the *c*-axis between aromatic and pyridine rings of H₂dhtp²⁺ and chelating 2,2'-bpy ligands.

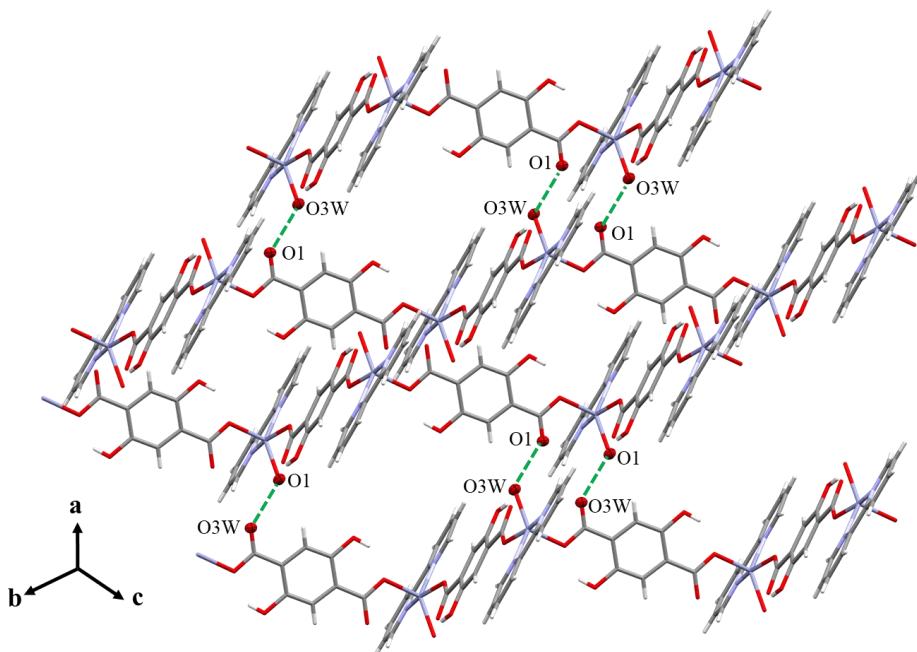


Fig. S4 The packing structure of **Zn-CP** presents a 3D supramolecular framework via hydrogen bonding between coordinated water molecules and uncoordinated oxygen atoms from carboxyl groups along the *b*-axis.

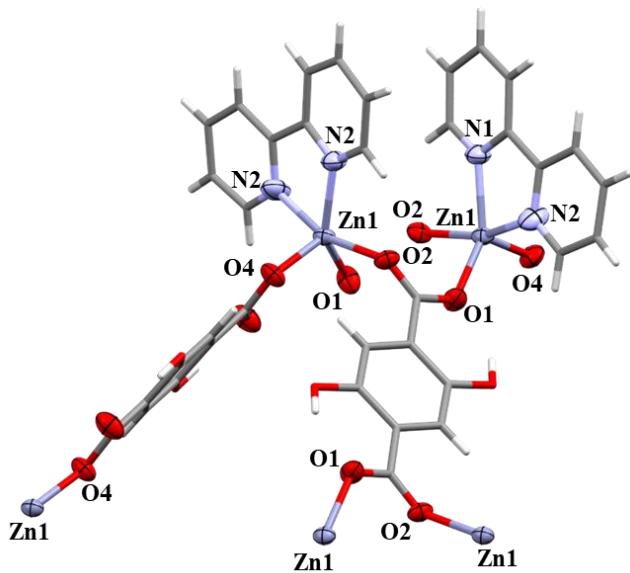


Fig. S5 Coordination environment around the Zn(II) center of **Zn-CP-II**.

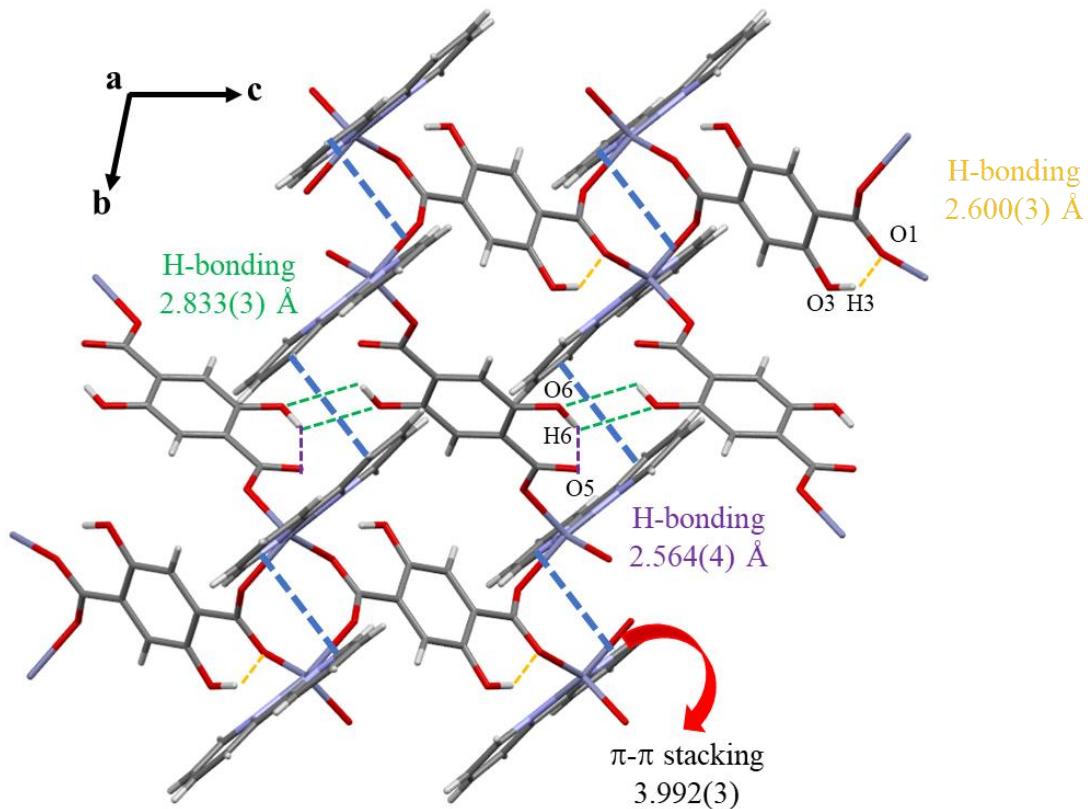


Fig. S6 2D layer and intramolecular interaction (π - π stacking between pyridyl rings of 2,2'-bpy and H-bonding between hydroxy groups of $\text{H}_2\text{dhtp}^{2-}$) of **Zn-CP-II**.

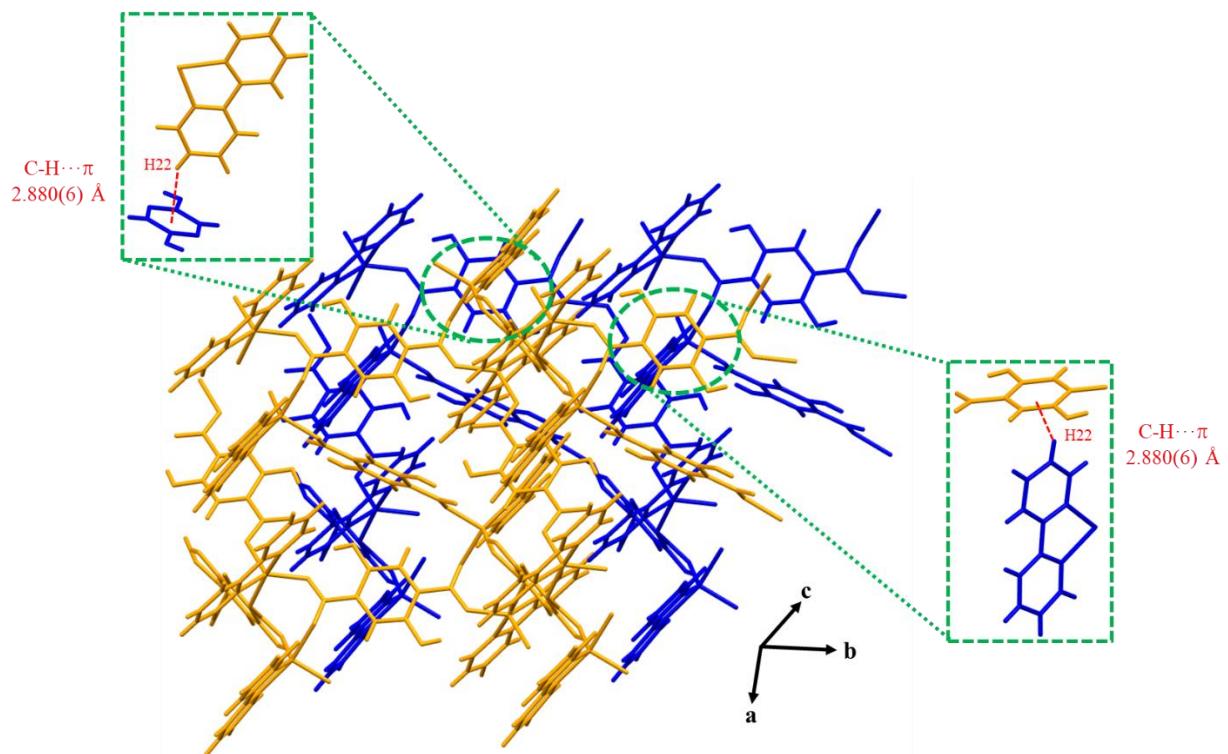


Fig. S7 3D supramolecular framework via C-H···π interaction (red dashed line) of **Zn-CP-II**.

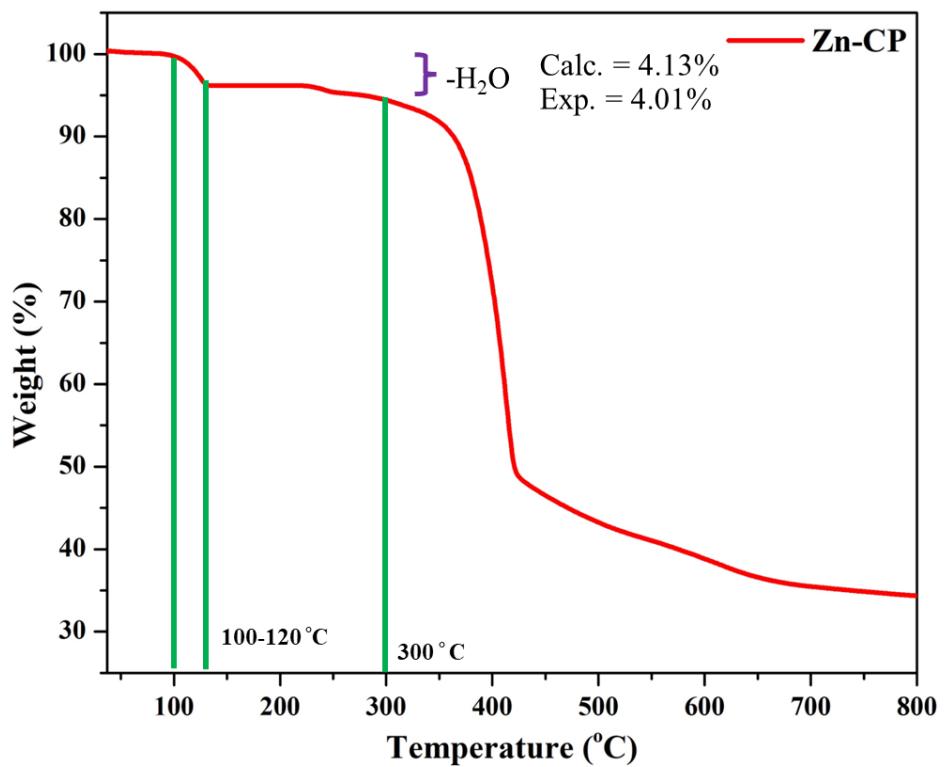


Fig. S8 The thermogram of **Zn-CP**.

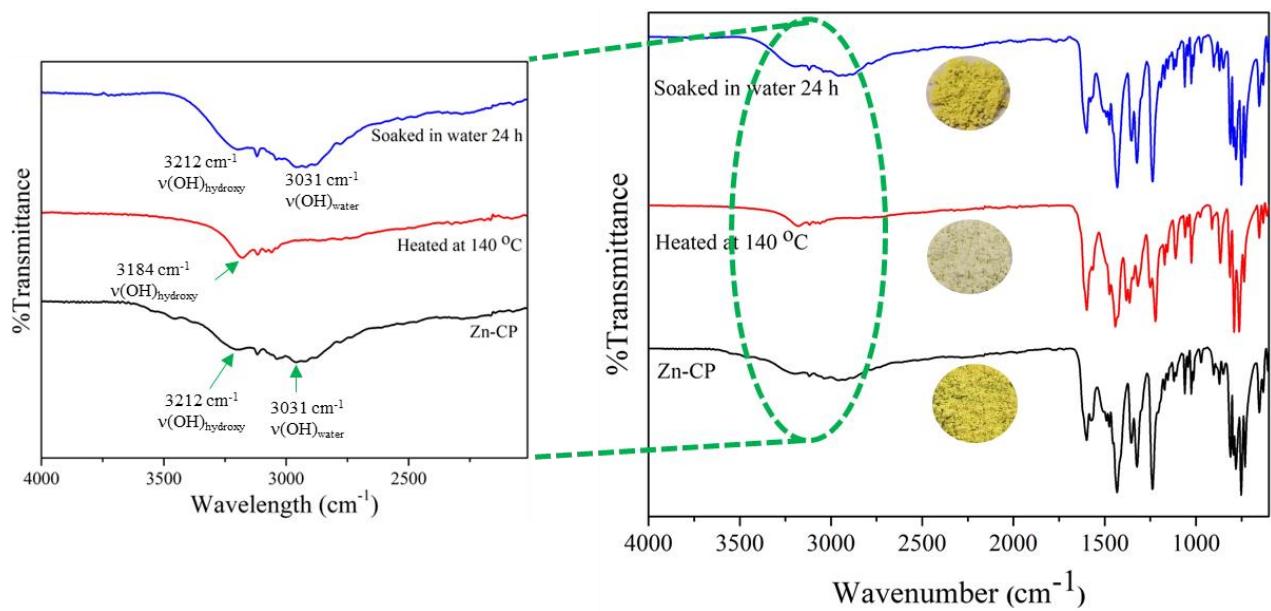


Fig. S9 FTIR spectra before and after dehydration and rehydration processes of **Zn-CP**.

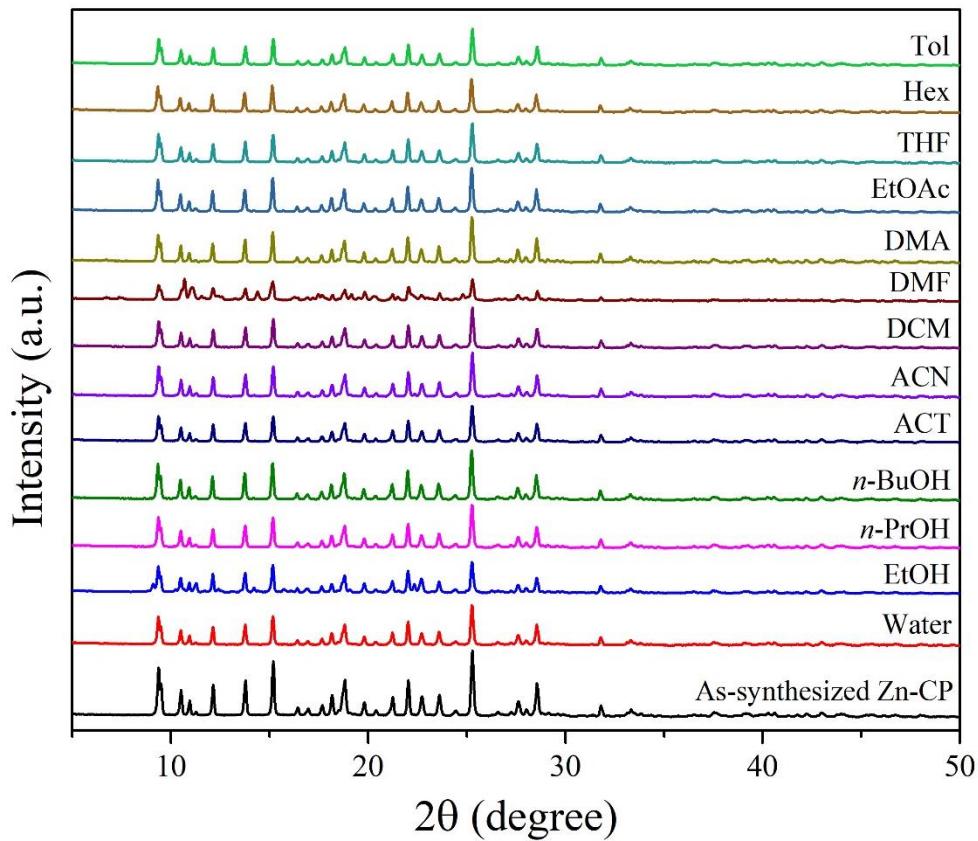


Fig. S10 PXRD patterns of **Zn-CP** after soaking in common organic solvents for 24 h at room temperature.

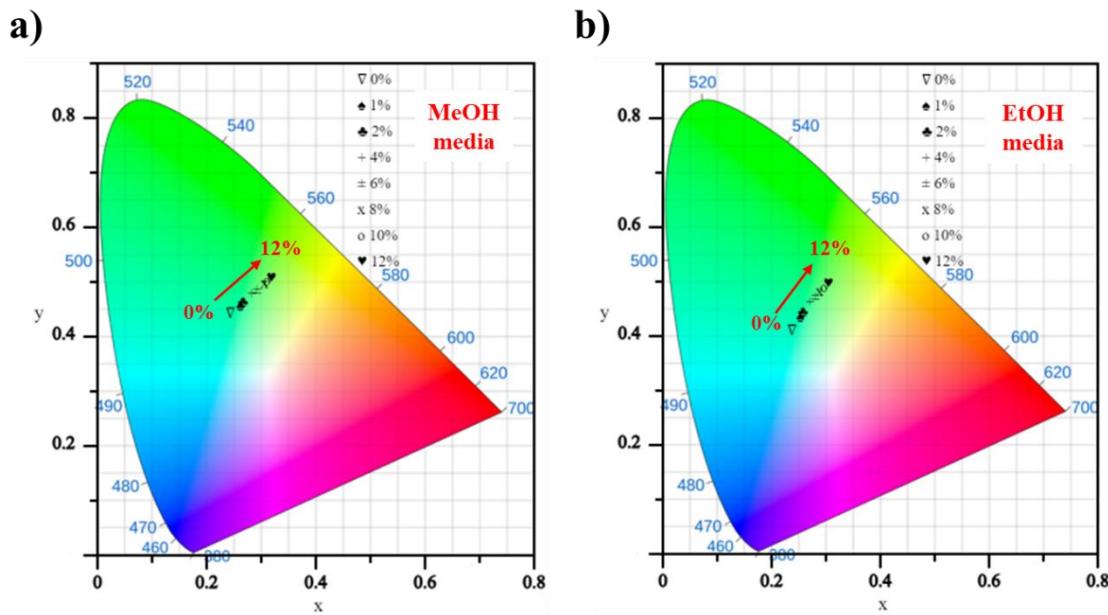


Fig. S11 CIE chromaticity diagrams for **Zn-CP** probe before and after adding different contents of water in dry methanol a) and b) dry ethanol.

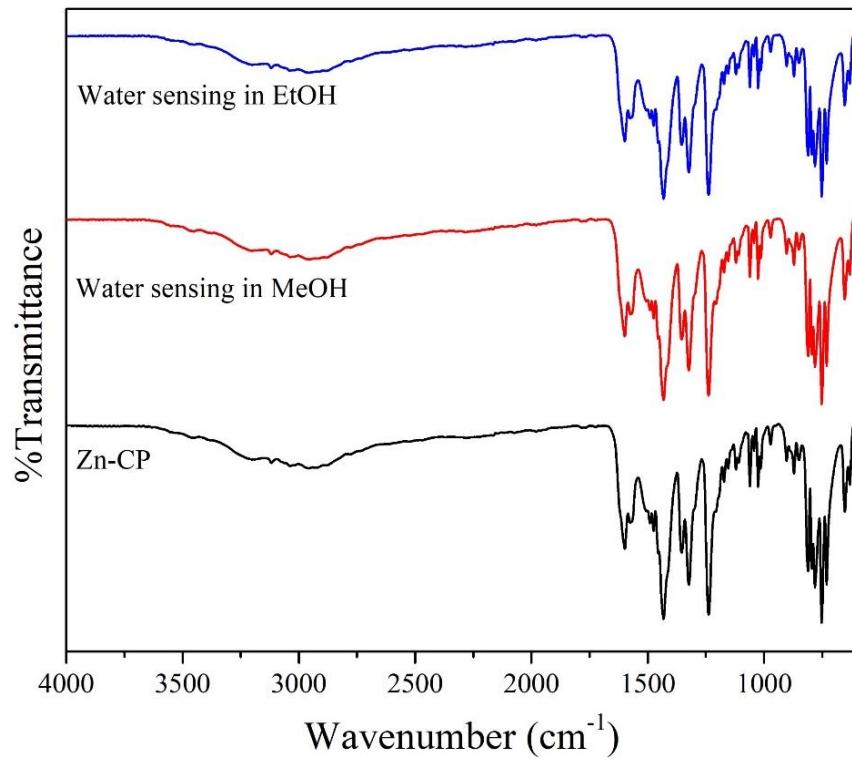


Fig. S12 FTIR spectra of **Zn-CP** before and after water sensing in dry methanol and dry ethanol.

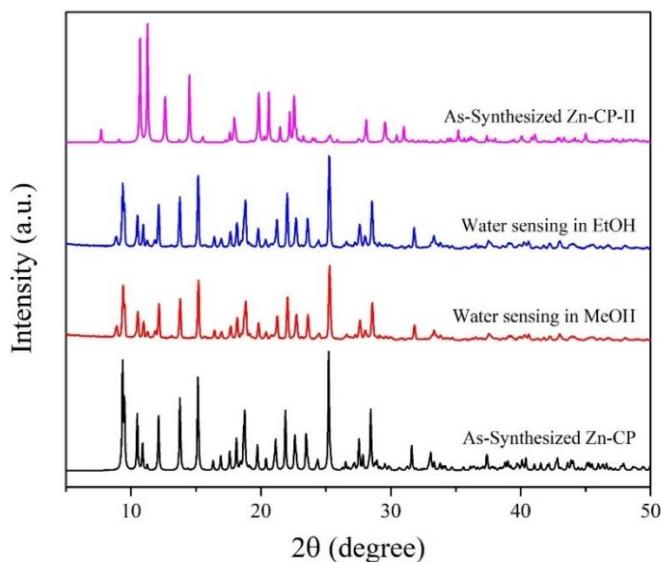


Fig. S13 PXRD patterns of **Zn-CP** before and after water sensing in dry methanol and dry ethanol.

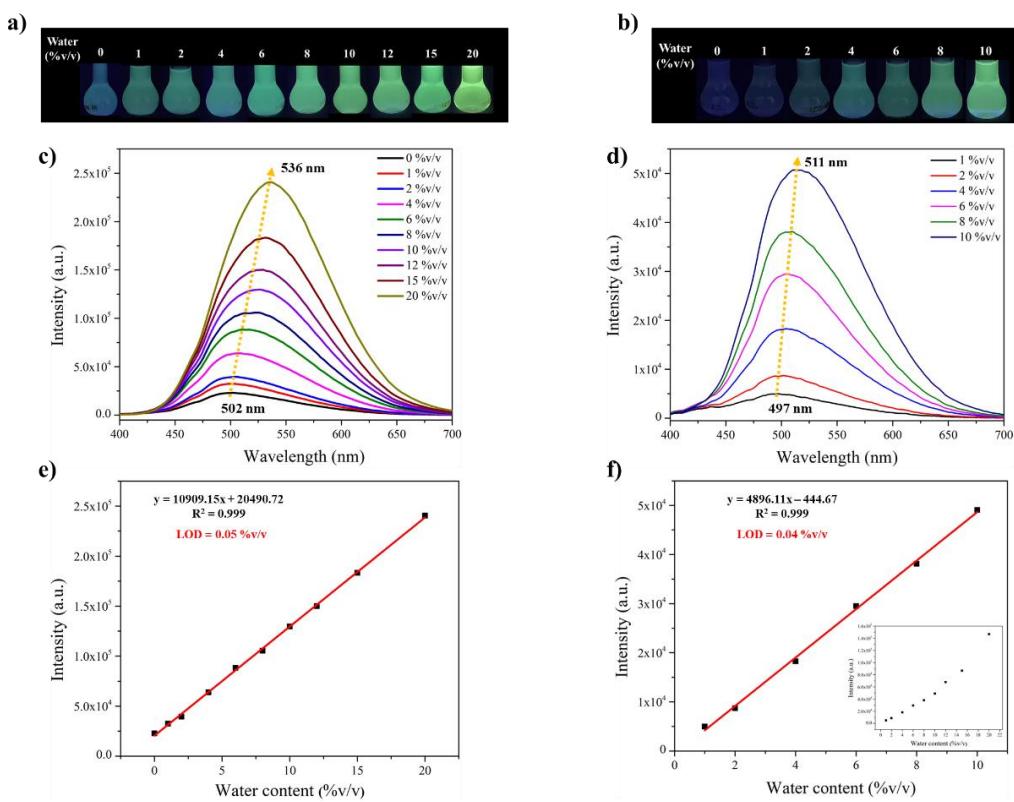


Fig. S14 Photographic images of the suspension of **Zn-CP-II** in a) dry methanol and b) dry ethanol with different water levels (0–12%). c) and d) Luminescence emission spectra of **Zn-CP-II** probe upon adding different contents of water in dry methanol and dry ethanol, respectively. e) and f) Linear relationship between the emission wavelength or luminescence intensity and water contents of **Zn-CP-II** probe in methanol and ethanol respectively. The inset show fluorescence intensity upon incremental addition of water 0–20%v/v.

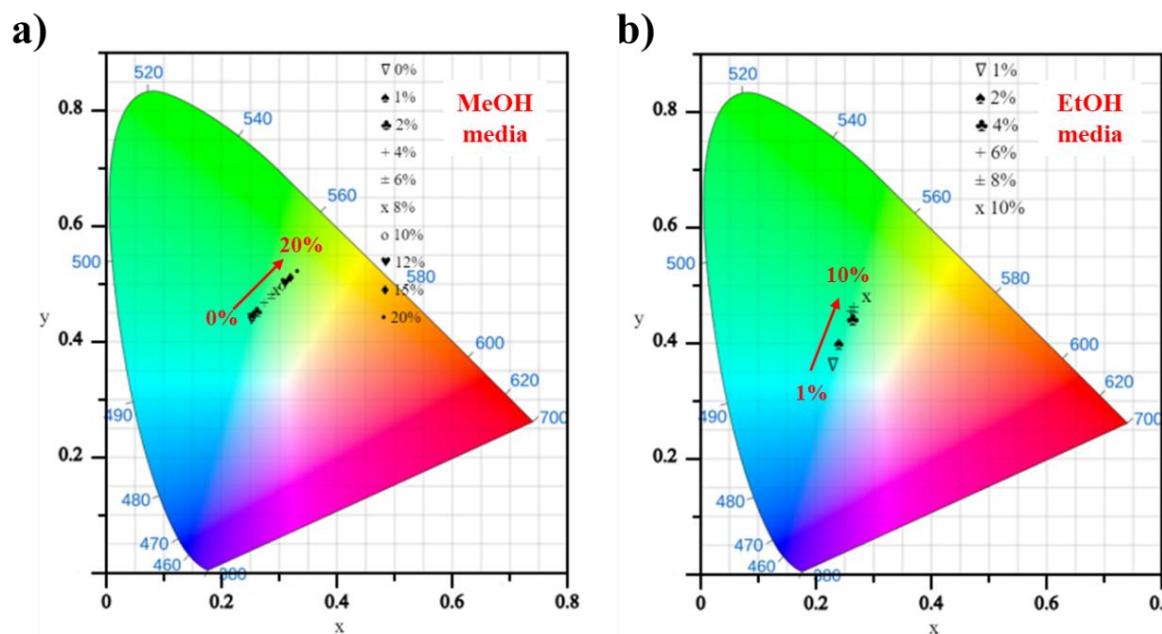


Fig. S15 CIE chromaticity diagrams for **Zn-CP-II** probe before and after adding different contents of water in dry methanol a) and b) dry ethanol.

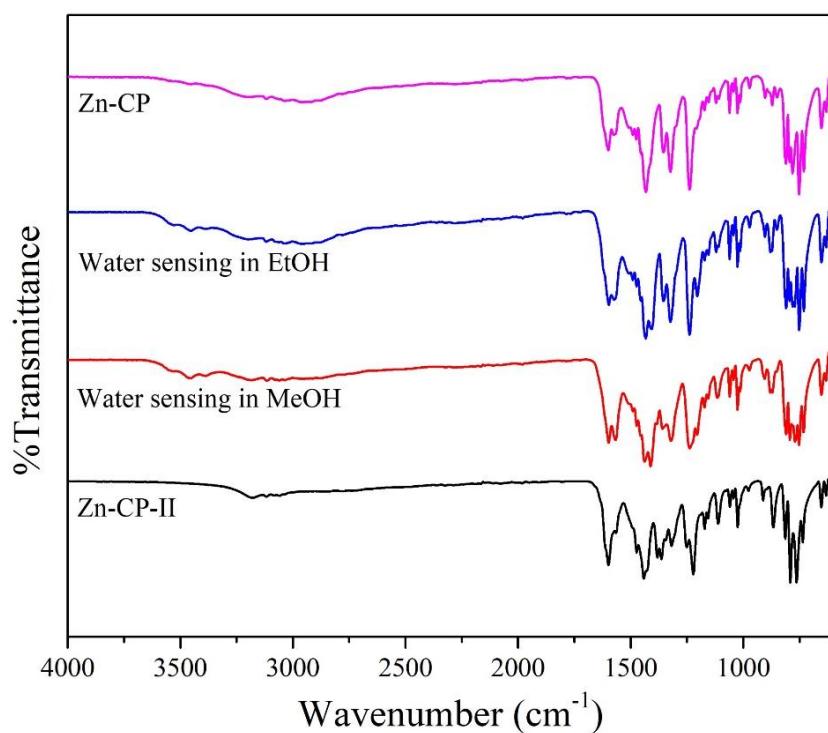


Fig. S16 FTIR spectra of **Zn-CP-II** before and after water sensing in dry methanol and dry ethanol.

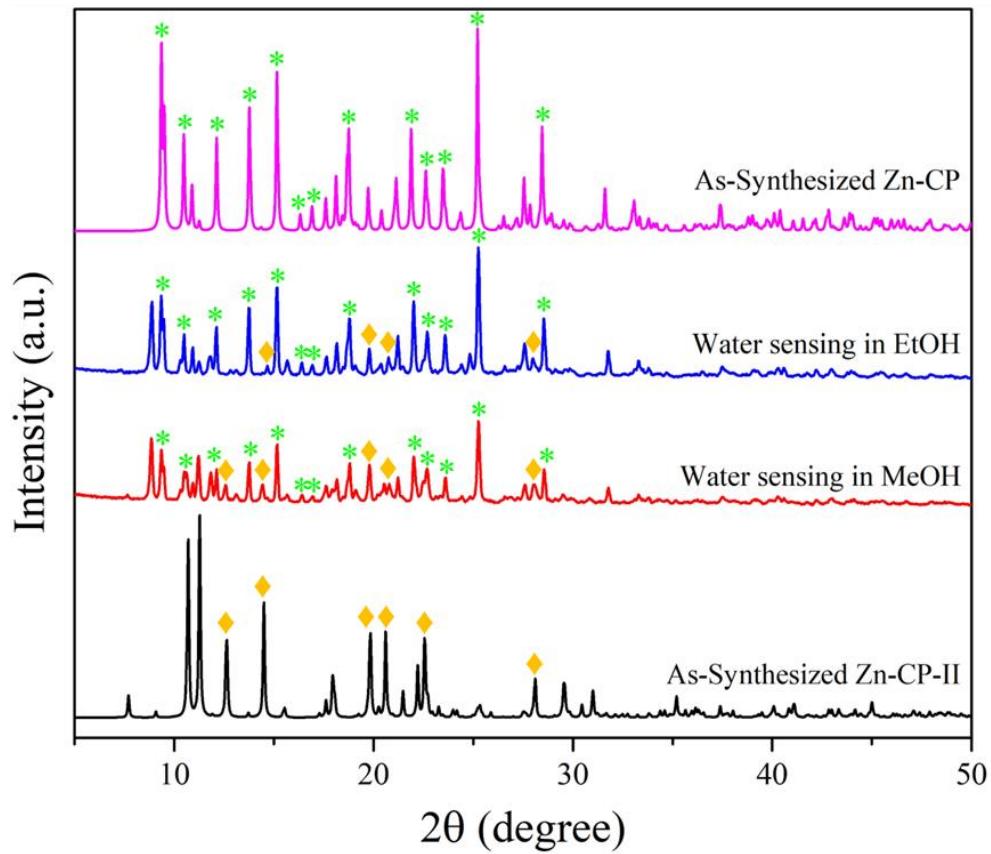


Fig. S17 PXRD patterns of **Zn-CP-II** before and after water sensing in dry methanol and dry ethanol. The green star and orange diamond symbols represent characteristic diffraction peaks for **Zn-CP** and **Zn-CP-II**, respectively.

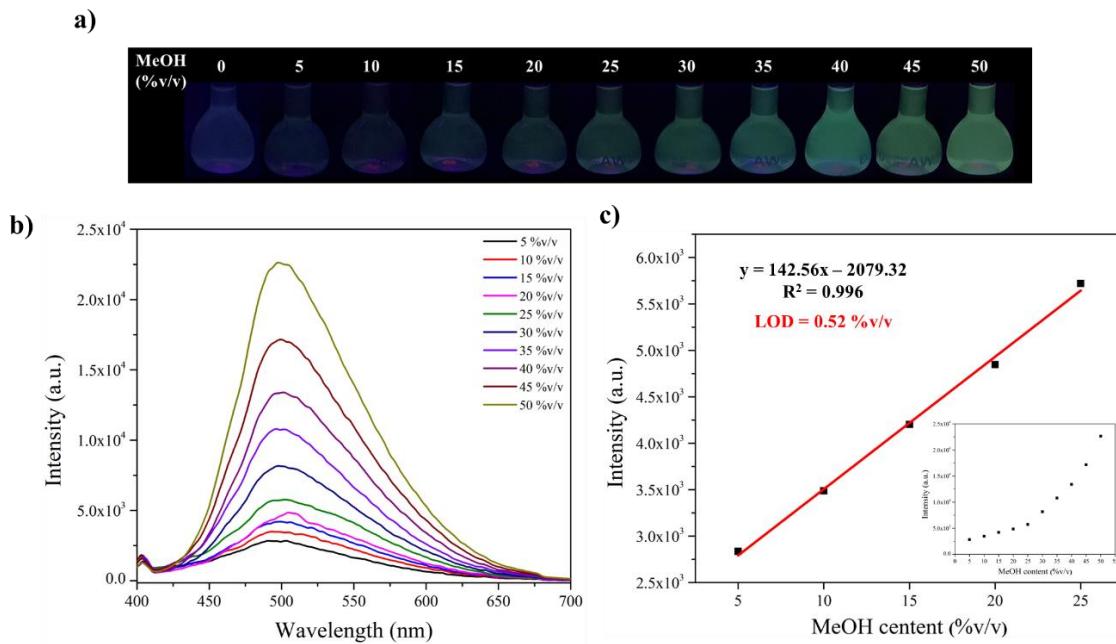


Fig. S18 a) Photographic images of the suspension of **Zn-CP** in dry *n*-propanol with different methanol levels (0-50 %v/v). b) Luminescence emission spectra of **Zn-CP** probe upon adding different content of methanol in dry *n*-propanol. c) Linear relationship between the luminescence intensity and methanol content of **Zn-CP**.

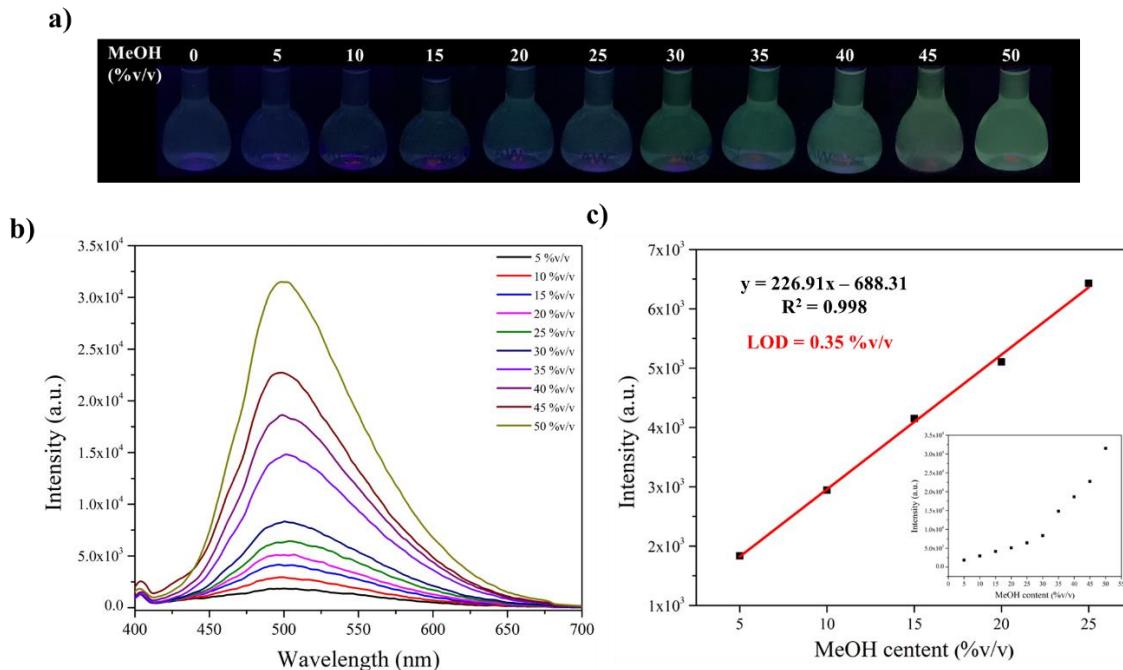


Fig. S19 a) Photographic images of the suspension of **Zn-CP** in dry *n*-butanol with different methanol levels (0-50 %v/v). b) Luminescence emission spectra of **Zn-CP** probe upon adding different content of methanol in dry *n*-butanol. c) Linear relationship between the luminescence intensity and methanol content of **Zn-CP**.

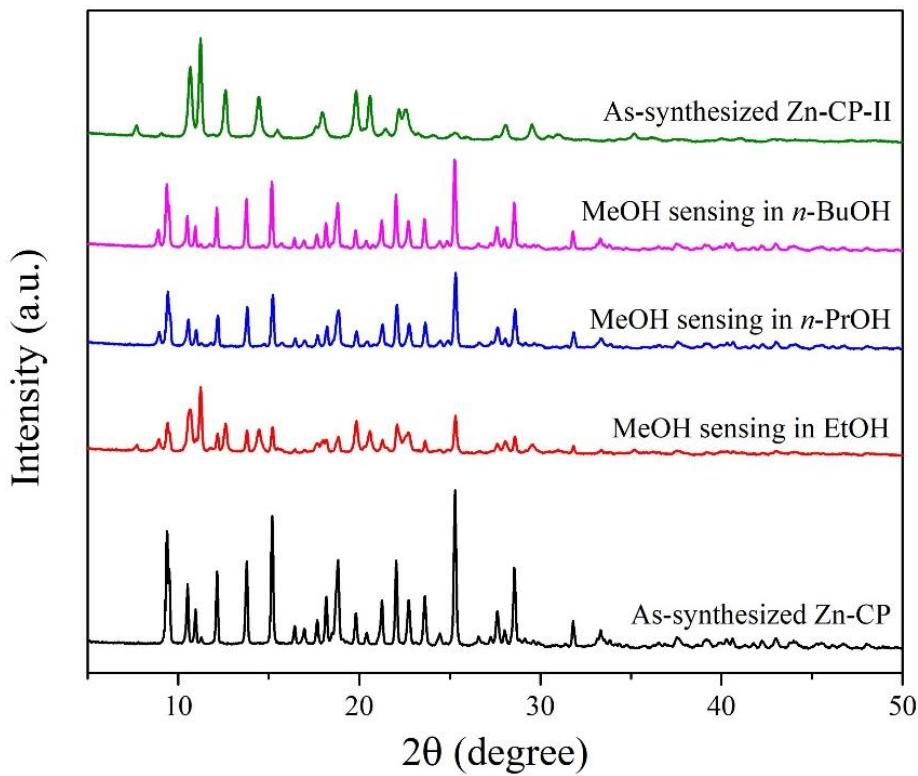


Fig. S20 PXRD patterns of **Zn-CP** before and after methanol sensing in dry ethanol, dry *n*-propanol and dry *n*-butanol, respectively.

Table S1. Kamlet-Taft solvent parameters of the pure solvents³⁶

Entry	Solvents	Kamlet-Taft parameters		
		α	β	π^*
1	Water	1.17	0.47	1.09
2	ACT	0.00	0.51	0.70
3	ACN	0.19	0.37	0.75
4	DCM	0.13	0.10	0.82
5	DMF	0.00	0.69	0.88
6	DMA	0.00	0.76	0.88
7	EtOAc	0.00	0.45	0.55
8	THF	0.00	0.58	0.55
9	MeOH	0.98	0.66	0.60
10	EtOH	0.86	0.75	0.54
11	n-PrOH	0.84	0.90	0.52
12	n-BuOH	0.84	0.84	0.47
13	n-hexane	0.00	0.00	-0.08
14	Toluene	0.00	0.11	0.54

Note: α = Hydrogen bond donor, β = Hydrogen bond acceptor, π^* = polarizability/dipolarity

Table S2. Comparison of solid-state excitation and emission of CPs based on 2,5-Dihydroxyterephthalic (H_4dhtp)

Compounds	Excitation wavelength (nm)	Emission wavelength (nm)	References
$[Zn(L)(Cz-3,6-bpy)]_n$	370	522	<i>Cryst. Growth Des.</i> 2022 , 22, 228–236
$\{[Cd(4-bpdh)(L)]\}_n$ $\{[Cd(3-bpdh)(L)0.5-(L)0.5(H_2O)] \cdot 2H_2O\}_n$	350	456 462	<i>Cryst. Growth Des.</i> 2021 , 21, 6110–6118
SNNU-300	367	439	<i>J. Solid State Chem.</i> 2021 , 300, 122212
$\{[Zn_2(H_2L)(L)0.5(azpy)0.5-(H_2O)] \cdot 4H_2O\}$	390	530	<i>Chem. Eur. J.</i> 2012 , 18, 237 – 244
$\{[Cd(bpe)_{1.5}(L)]\}_n$	360	412	<i>Chem. Eur. J.</i> 2019 , 25, 12196-12205
$\{[Zn(4-bpdh)(L)] \cdot (MeOH)(H_2O)\}_n$	350	394	<i>Chem. Eur. J.</i> 2016 , 22, 14998 – 15005
$[Cd_2(L)(4,5-idc)(H_2O)_4]$	360	521	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> 2020 , 12, 41776–41784
SNNU-301	370	480	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> 2022 , 14, 55997–56006
Zn-CP	360	-	This work

Table S3. Comparison of the performance of luminescent MOF materials for water sensing

MOF materials	Media	Linear ranges (%v/v)	Detection method	LOD (%v/v)	Ref.
Eu-MOFs/N,S-CDs	EtOH	0.05-4	Shifted-emission and turn-on	0.03	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2016 , 88, 1748–1752
Mg(DHT)	THF	0-1	ESIPT and Turn-on	-	<i>Dalton Trans.</i> , 2021 , 50, 6901–6912
Tb ³⁺ @p-CDs/MOF	EtOH	0-30	Shifted-emission	0.28	<i>Dalton Trans.</i> , 2017 , 46, 7098–7105
Eu _{0.05} Tb _{0.95} (OBA)(H ₂ O)Cl	DMF	0-0.8	Turn-on	0.10	<i>Dalton Trans.</i> , 2021 , 50, 143-150

R6G@Eu-MOF	DMF ACN DMSO THF MeOH EtOH <i>i</i> -PrOH <i>n</i> -BuOH	0-12.4 0-10 0-4 0-1.8 0-3.5 0-1 0-0.8 0-0.4	Ratiometric	0.085 0.094 0.046 0.032 0.032 0.028 0.016 0.021	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2020 , 92, 8974–8982
Eu _{0.02} Dy _{0.18} -MOF	EtOH	0-0.3	Turn-off	0.1	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2019 , 91, 3, 2148–2154
SNNU-301	DMSO	0-5.2	ESIPT and Turn-on	0.011	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> 2022 , 14, 55997–56006
[Cd ₂ (4,5-idc)(2,5-tpt)(H ₂ O) ₄]	DMF	0-50	ESIPT by shifted-emission and turn-off	0.25	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> 2020 , 12, 41776–41784
Zn-db-3	EtOH MeOH THF	0-15 0-10 0-10	ESIPT and shifted emission	0.05	<i>J. Mater. Chem. C</i> , 2022 , 10, 7558–7566
Zn-CP	MeOH EtOH	0-12 0-12	ESIPT and shifted emission	0.08 0.08	This work
Zn-CP-II	MeOH EtOH	0-20 1-10	ESIPT and turn-on	0.05 0.04	

Note: DHT= 2,5-dihydroxyterephthalic acid, H₂OBA = 4,4'- oxybisbenzoic acid, R6G = Rhodamine 6G dye, 2,5-tpt = 2,5-dihydroxyterephthalic acid and 4,5-idc = 4,5-imidazoledicarboxylic acid

Table S4. Comparison of luminescence intensity in different alcohol solvents of Zn-CP probe

Solvents	Luminescence intensity (a.u.)
Methanol	2.62 x 10 ⁴
Ethanol	6.79 x 10 ³
<i>n</i> -Propanol	1.83 x 10 ³
<i>n</i> -Butanol	1.68 x 10 ³

Table S5. Comparison of the performance of luminescent materials for methanol sensing

MOF materials	Media	Linear ranges (%v/v)	Detection method	LOD (%v/v)	Ref.
MOF-76	Hydrated Ethyl Alcohol Fuel (HEAF)	0.6-5.5	Turn-on	0.82	<i>J. Rare Earths.</i> , 2019 , 37, 225-231
NOCDs	real alcoholic beverage	0.125-4	Quenching	0.11	<i>RSC Adv.</i> , 2020 , 10, 22522–22532
Zn-MOF	EtOH	0-2.44	Turn-on	0.07	<i>Dalton Trans.</i> , 2020 , 49, 10240-10249
Zn-CP	EtOH <i>n</i> -PrOH <i>n</i> -BuOH	5-30 5-25 5-25	Turn-on	0.28 0.52 0.35	This work