

The recognition of anions using delayed lanthanide luminescence: The use of Tb(III) based urea functionalised cyclen complexes

Cidália M. G. dos Santos and Thorfinnur Gunnlaugsson

Electronic Supporting Information

Figure S1 $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of ligand 1

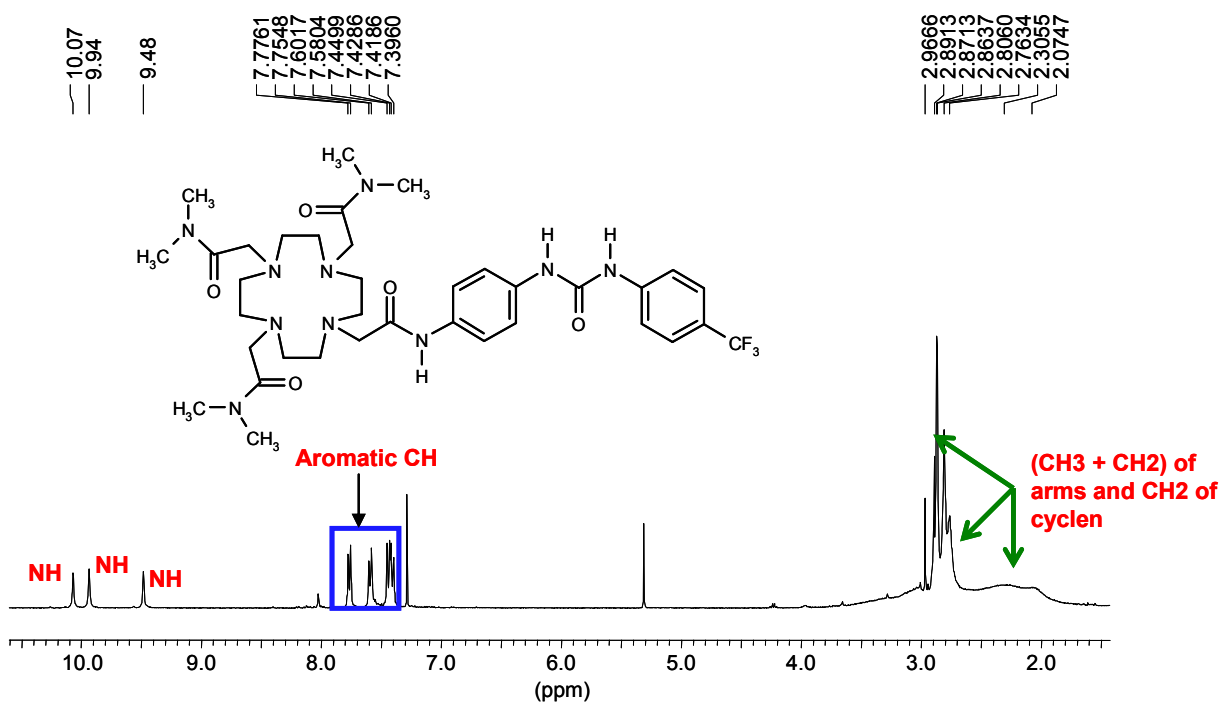


Figure S2a $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CD_3OD) of **Tb.1**

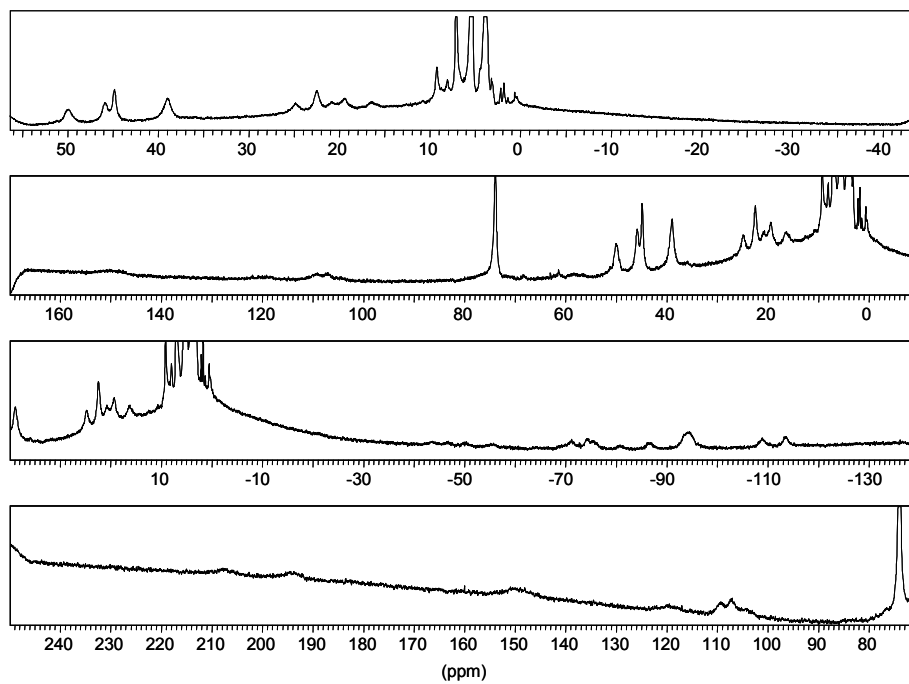


Figure S2b ESMS of **Tb.1** showing the Tb(III) characteristic isotopic distribution pattern for the M/2 peak

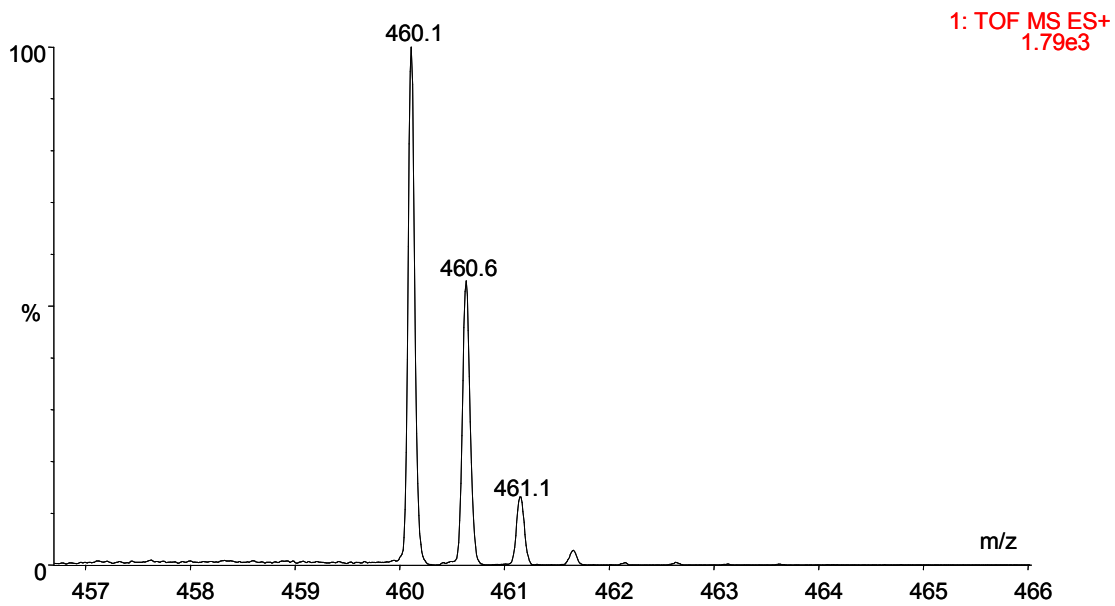


Figure S2c ESMS of **Eu.1** showing the Eu(III) characteristic isotopic distribution pattern for the $[M + CF_3SO_3]/2$ peak

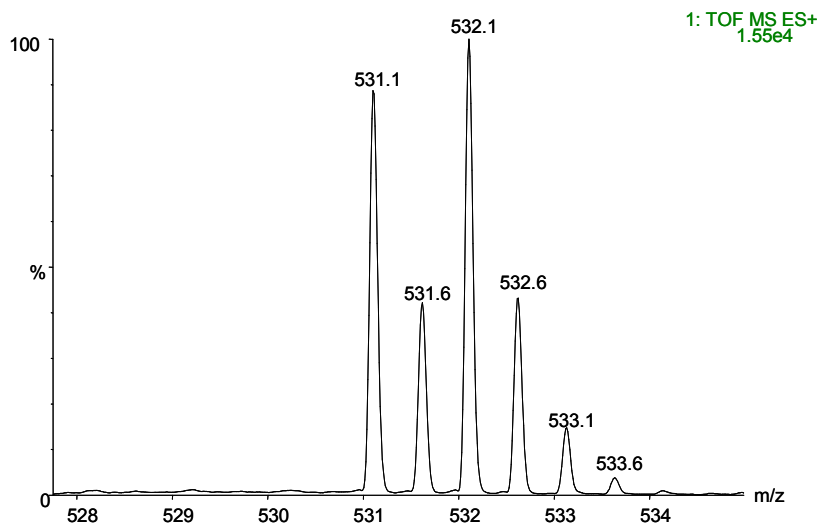


Figure S3 Changes in the absorption spectra of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of $\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ ($0 \rightarrow 56.3\ \mu\text{M}$) in CH_3CN . Insert shows the titration profile for the changes at 270 nm versus the equivalents of $\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$.

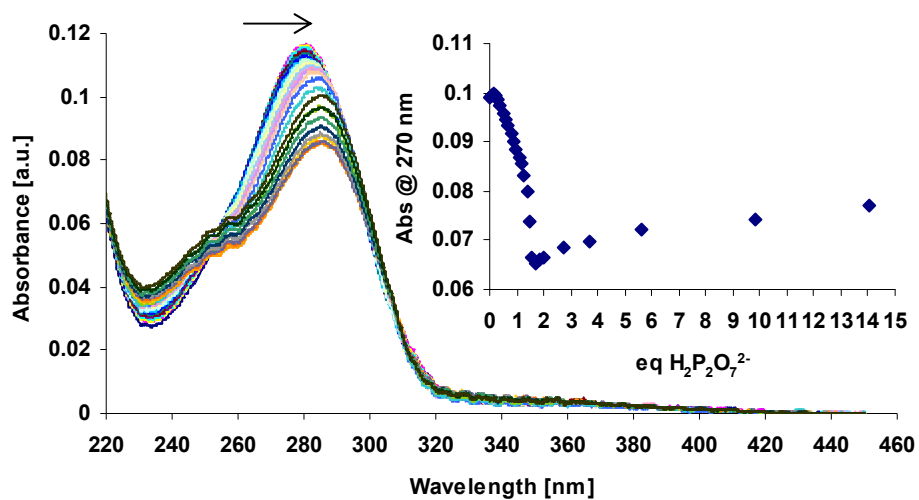


Figure S4 Speciation distribution diagram obtained for the absorption titration of **Tb.1** (H) with $\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ (G). Insert: The experimental binding isotherm and corresponding fit obtained using SPECFIT.

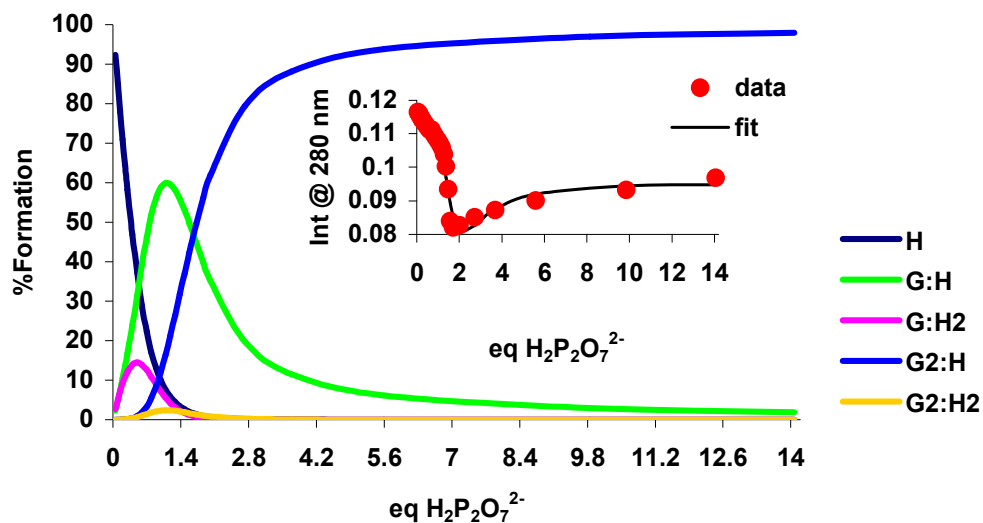


Figure S5 Experimental binding isotherm for the absorption titration of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) with H_2PO_4^- and corresponding fit obtained using SPECFIT.

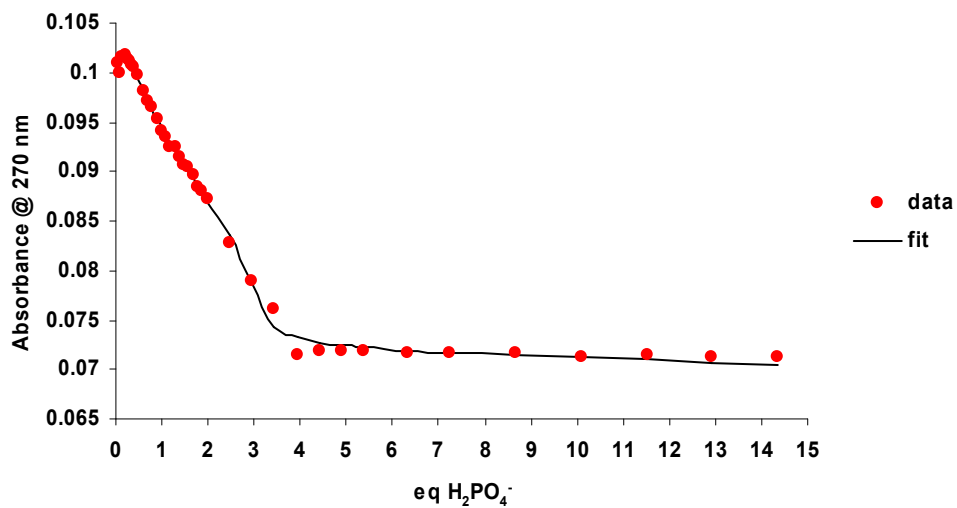


Figure S6 Absorption spectra showing the changes in the absorbance of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of: **a)** $0 \rightarrow 7$ equivalents of F^- ; **b)** $8 \rightarrow 17$ equivalents of F^- , light blue line represents free **Tb.1**

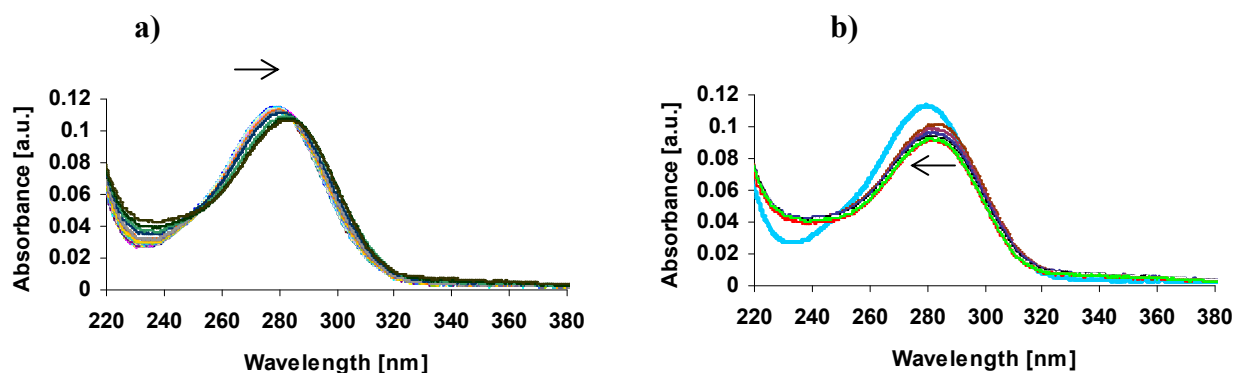


Figure S7 Speciation distribution diagram obtained for the absorption titration of **Tb.1** (H) with F^- (G).

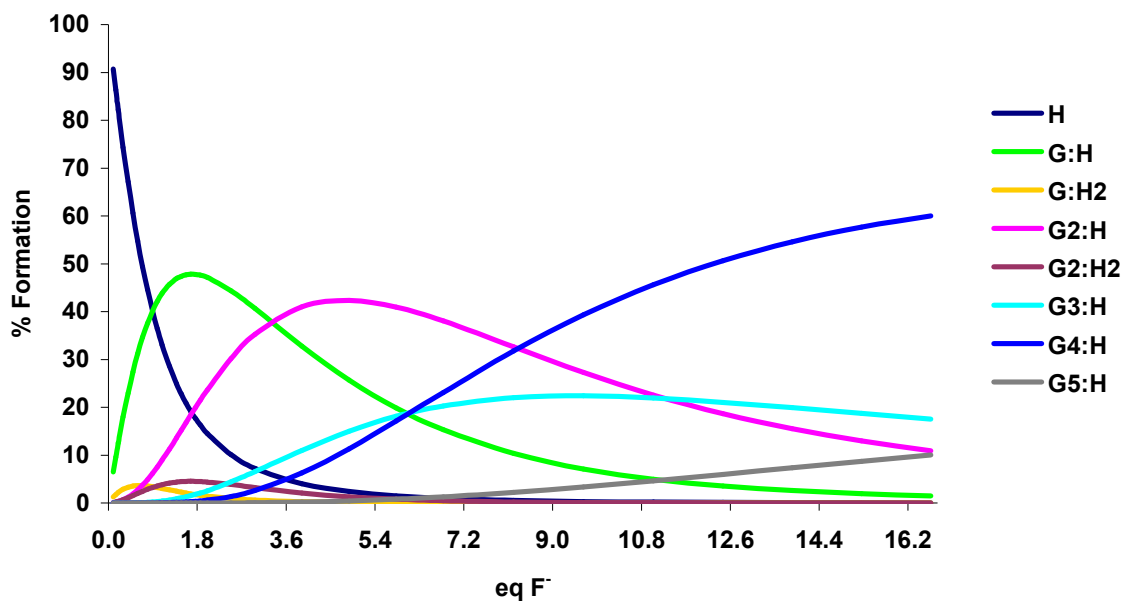


Figure S8 Absorption spectra showing the changes in the absorbance of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of Cl^- ($0 \rightarrow 28.1\ \mu\text{M}$) in CH_3CN . Insert: The titration profile for the changes at $264\ \text{nm}$ versus the equivalents of Cl^-

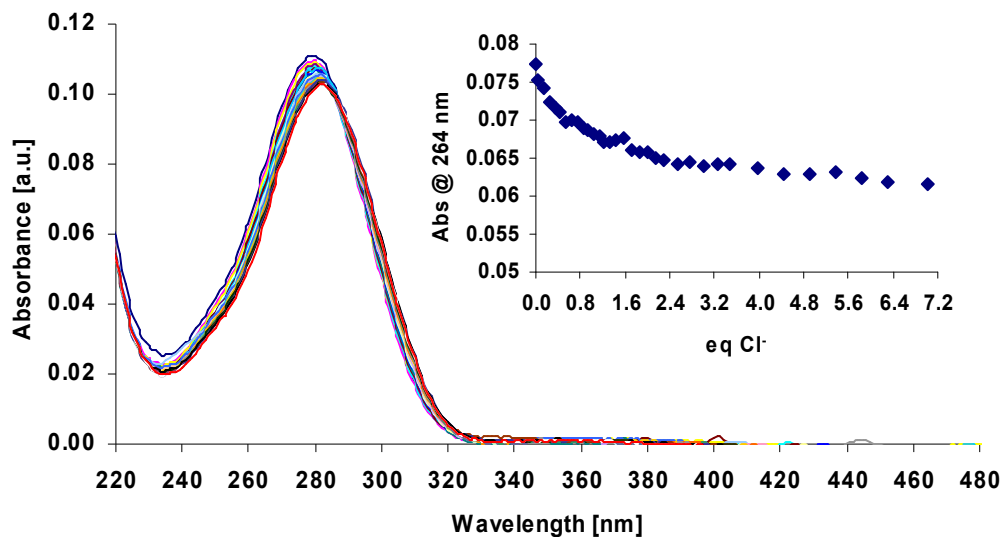


Figure S9 Changes in the fluorescence spectra of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of H_2PO_4^- ($0 \rightarrow 57.3\ \mu\text{M}$) in CH_3CN . Insert: The titration profile for the changes at $422\ \text{nm}$ versus the equivalents of H_2PO_4^-

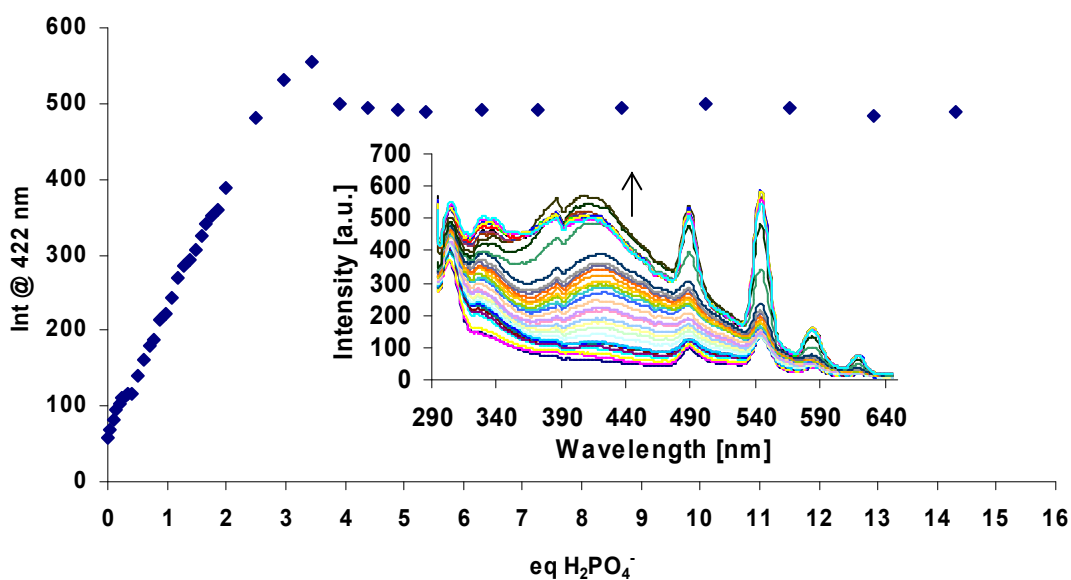
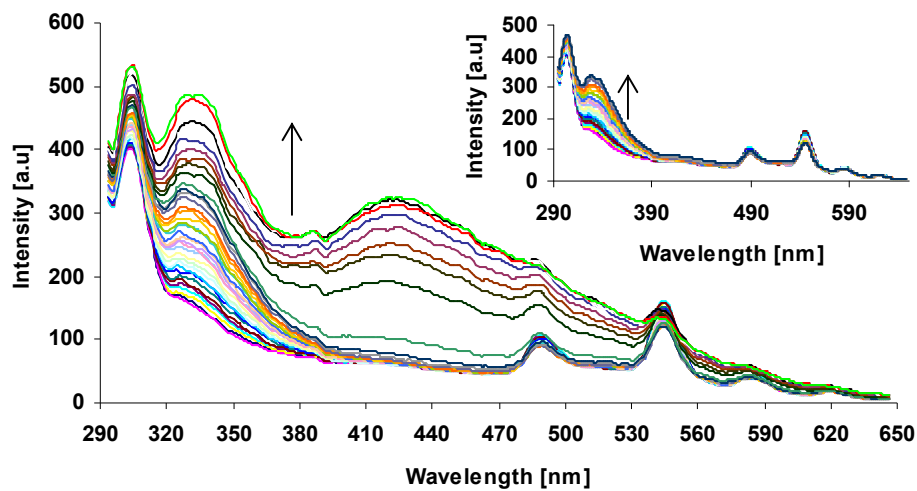


Figure S10 a) Changes in the fluorescence spectra of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of F^- ($0 \rightarrow 56.3\ \mu\text{M}$) in CH_3CN . Insert: Changes observed between $0 \rightarrow 5$ equivalents of F^- ; **b)** Titration profile for the changes at 334 and 422 nm, versus the equivalents of F^-

a)



b)

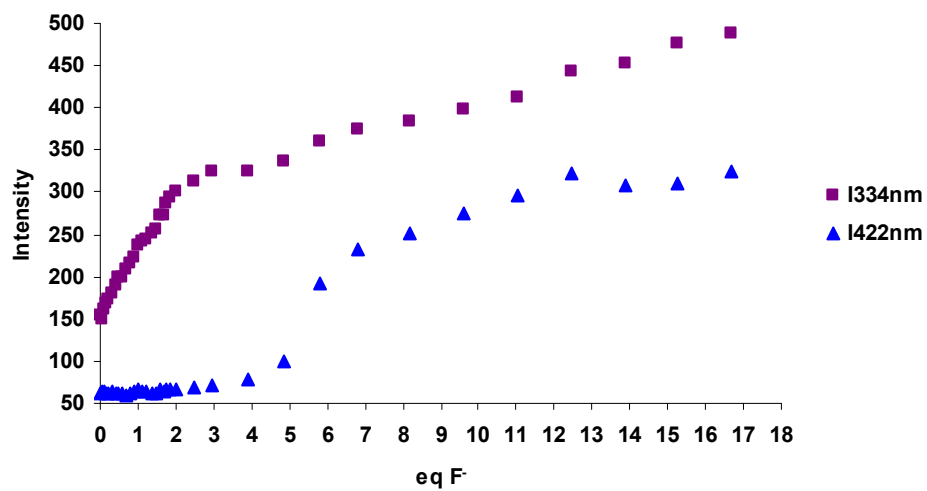


Figure S11 Changes in the fluorescence spectra of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of Cl^- ($0 \rightarrow 28.1\ \mu\text{M}$) in CH_3CN . Insert: The titration profile for the changes at $330\ \text{nm}$ versus the equivalents of Cl^-

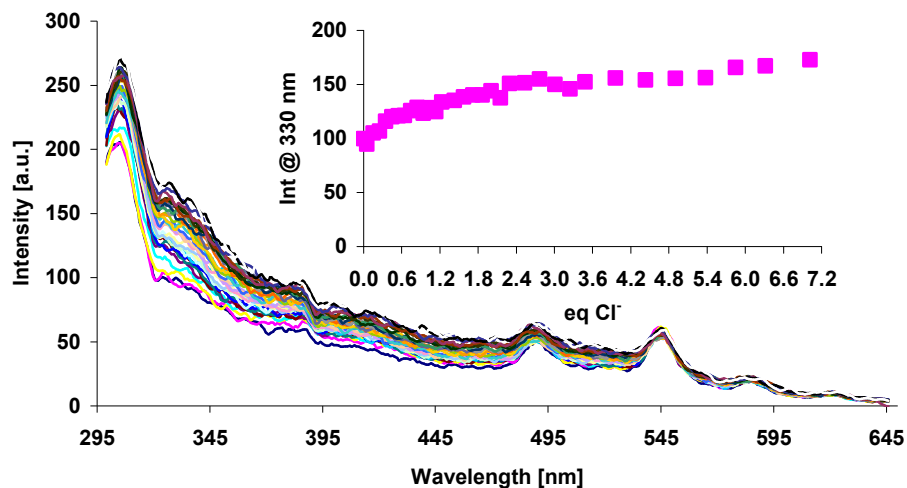


Figure S12 Changes in the lanthanide emission intensity of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) upon gradual additions of CH_3COO^- ($0 \rightarrow 74.9\ \mu\text{M}$) in CH_3CN

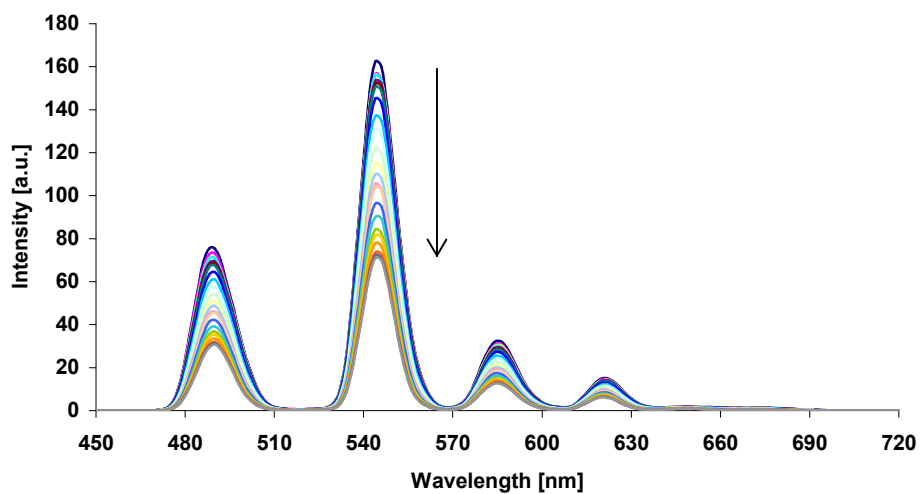


Figure S13 Experimental binding isotherm for the lanthanide luminescence titration of **Tb.1** ($4\mu\text{M}$) with CH_3COO^- and corresponding fit obtained using SPECFIT

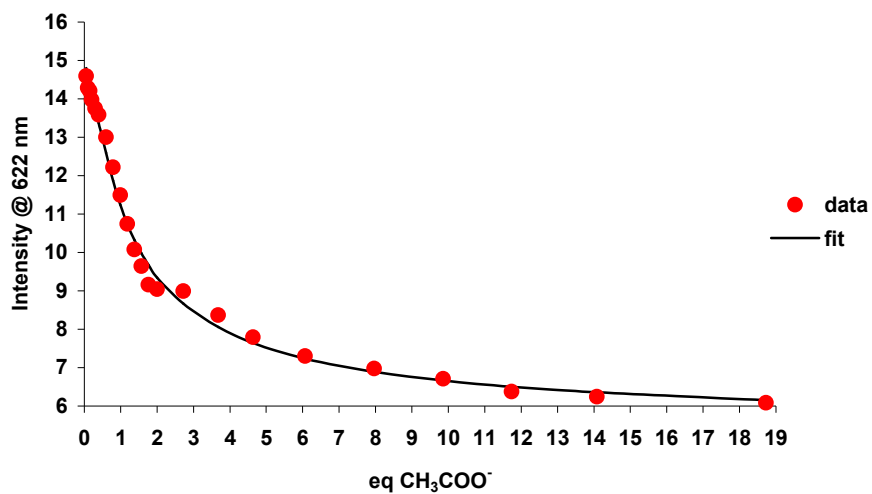


Figure S14 The changes in the lifetimes of the **Tb.1** emission upon titration with H_2PO_4^- . These results mirror the changes in the Tb(III) emission intensity shown in Figure 10 in the manuscript

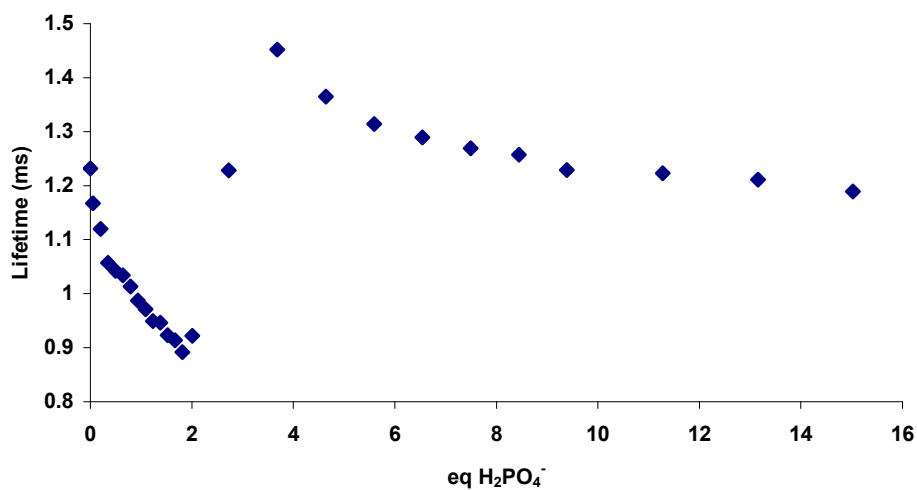


Figure S15 Profile of the Tb(III) emission intensity at 546 nm versus the equivalents of $\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$. Insert: The family of spectra obtained upon titration of **Tb.1** (4 μM) with $\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ (0 \rightarrow 56.3 μM) in CH_3CN

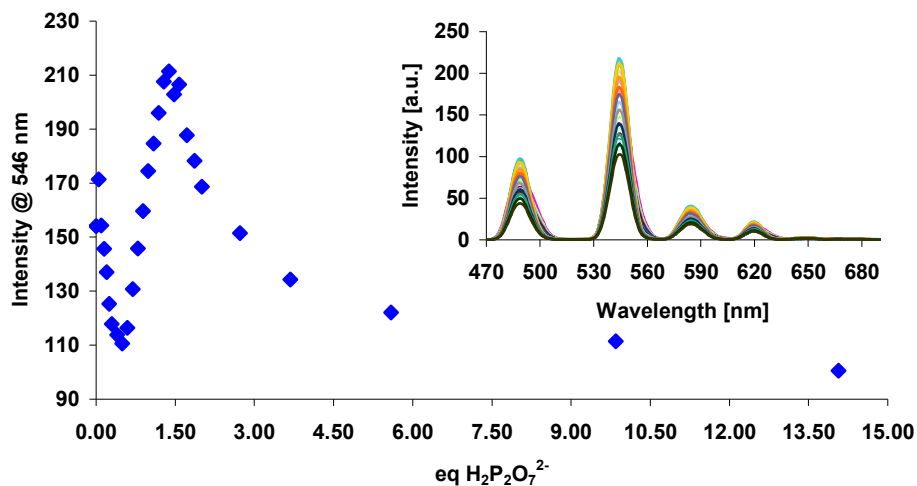


Figure S16 Speciation distribution diagram for the lanthanide luminescence titration of **Tb.1** (H) with $\text{H}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ (G). Insert: The experimental binding isotherm and corresponding fit using SPECIFIT

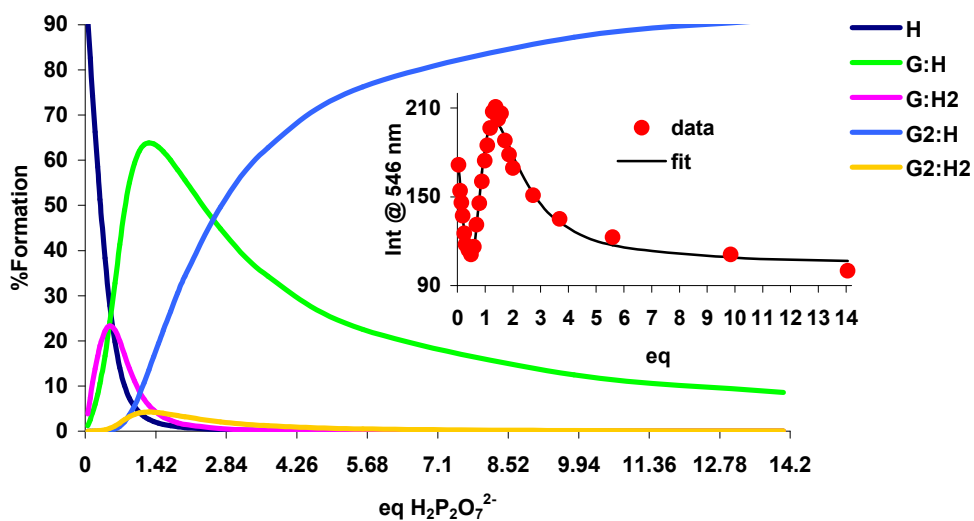


Figure S17 The Tb(III) luminescence spectra of **Tb.1** (H) upon gradual additions of F^- ($0 \rightarrow 66.6 \mu M$) in CH_3CN . Insert: The changes at 546 nm versus the equivalents of F^-

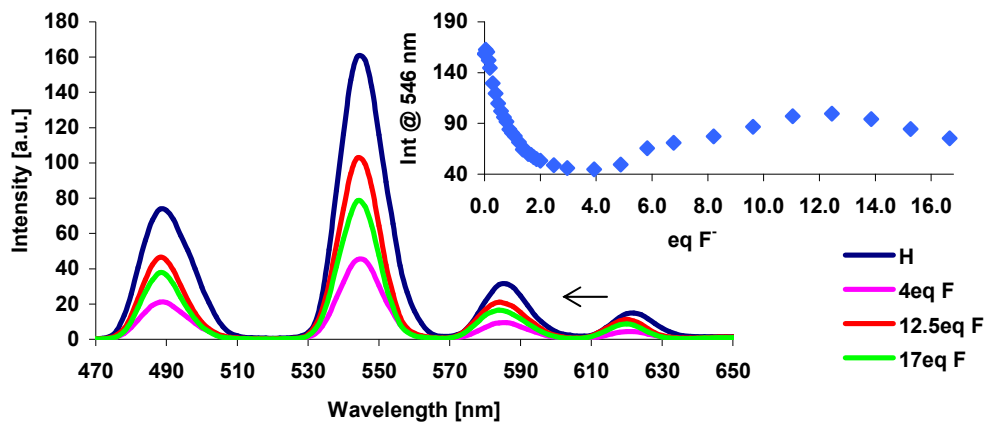


Figure S18 Changes in the lanthanide emission of **Tb.1** ($4 \mu M$) upon gradual additions of Cl^- ($0 \rightarrow 28.1 \mu M$) in CH_3CN . Insert: The changes at 546 nm versus the equivalents of Cl^-

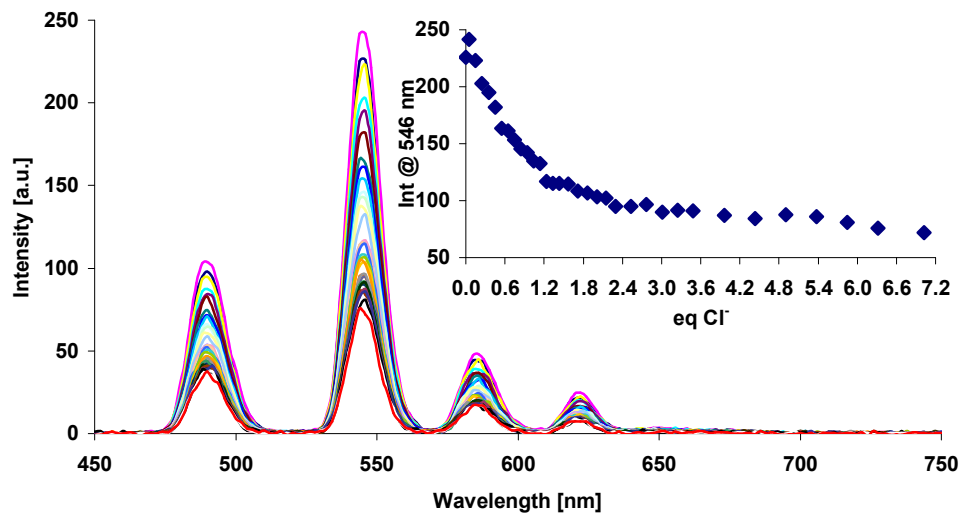


Figure S19 Speciation distribution diagram for the lanthanide luminescence titration of **Tb.1** (H) with Cl^- (G). Insert: The experimental binding isotherm and corresponding fit using SPECFIT

