#### **Supporting Information**

# Pt<sub>2</sub>Ag Acetylides-Doped Silica Nanoparticles: Enabling Luminescence of Pt<sub>2</sub>Ag Complexes in Water and Sensors for Highly Sensitive Detection of Cyanide Anion

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# Characterizations

Size distribution determined by DLS



Fig. S1 Size distribution of 1@SiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles determined by DLS.

## Characterizations

## **TEM and AFM Images**



**Fig. S2** Transmission electron microscopic (A) and atomic force microcopic (B) image of **1@SiO**<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles in aqueous solution.

# **Photophysical Properties**

#### UV-Vis absorption spectra



Fig. S3 UV–Vis absorption spectra of 1 (black line), 2 (red line) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  solution and  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles (green line),  $2@SiO_2$  nanoparticles (blue line) in aqueous solution at 298 K.

# **Photophysical Properties**

## **Emission spectra**



Fig. S4 Emission spectra of compounds 1 (solid line) and 2 (dash line) in the solid state at 298 K.

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Fig. S5 (A) Excitation and emission spectra of  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles in aqueous solution:  $\lambda_{em}$  518 nm (red dash line),  $\lambda_{exc}$  363 nm (black solid line), and compound 1 in acetonitrile / water (1:1, v:v) solution:  $\lambda_{em}$  518 nm (cyan dash dot line),  $\lambda_{exc}$  350 nm (blue dot line); (B) Photos of the emission of  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles in water (left) and compound 1 in acetonitrile / water (1:1, v:v) solution (right).



Fig. S6 Time-dependent emission response of the  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles to 2.0 µM CN<sup>-</sup> in NaHCO<sub>3</sub>– NaOH buffer solution (pH 11.0). The inset shows I / I<sub>0</sub> plotted against time in the presence of 2.0 µM CN<sup>-</sup>, where I<sub>0</sub> and I are the emission intensity of the  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles at 518 nm in the absence and presence of CN<sup>-</sup>, respectively.



Fig. S7 The emission response of  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles to 5.0 µM CN<sup>-</sup> at different pH value in NaHCO<sub>3</sub>-NaOH buffer solution.



**Fig. S8** Excitation and emission spectra of the acetonitrile / NaHCO<sub>3</sub>–NaOH buffer (1:1, v:v, pH 11.0) solution of 50.0  $\mu$ M complex **1** without [ $\lambda_{em}$  518 nm (cyan dash line),  $\lambda_{exc}$  350 nm (black solid line)], and with 10.0  $\mu$ M CN<sup>-</sup> [ $\lambda_{em}$  518 nm (blue dot line),  $\lambda_{exc}$  350 nm (red short dot line)].



Fig. S9 UV–Vis absorption spectra of  $1@SiO_2$  nanoparticles in NaHCO<sub>3</sub>–NaOH buffer solution (pH 11.0) (black line), and upon addition of 10.0  $\mu$ M CN<sup>-</sup> (red line).

Compound	$2 \cdot 2 C H_2 C l_2$
empirical formula	$C_{96}H_{78}AgCl_5N_2O_4P_4Pt_2$
fw	2122.78
space group	P2(1)/c
<i>a</i> , Å	13.4625(14)
<i>b</i> , Å	25.739(3)
<i>c</i> , Å	25.325(3)
$\beta$ , deg	94.556(2)
<i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup>	8747.6(16)
Ζ	4
$\rho_{\rm calcd}$ , g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.612
$\mu$ , mm <sup>-1</sup>	3.691
radiation ( $\lambda$ , Å)	0.71073
temp, K	273 (2)
R1 (F <sub>o</sub> )	0. 1090
$wR2(F_o^2)$	0.2017
GOF	1.034

 Table S1. Crystallographic Data for Compound 2•2CH2Cl2

<sup>a</sup>  $\overline{R1 = \Sigma |F_o - F_c| / \Sigma F_o}$  <sup>b</sup>  $wR2 = \Sigma [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)_2] / \Sigma [w(F_o^2)]^{1/2}$