

Supporting Information

Engineering lanthanide-optical centres in IRMOF-3 by post-synthetic modification

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1. Elemental analysis

Table S1. Elemental analysis of IRMOF-3-CA, Ln-IRMOF-3-CA, IRMOF-3-GL and Ln-IRMOF-3-GL (Ln = Nd, Eu) (%).

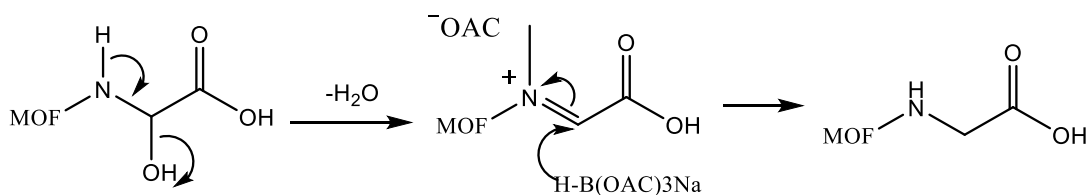
Sample	Metal & chloride ratio *				C	H	N
	Zn	Nd	Eu	Cl			
IRMOF-3-CA $Zn_4C_{48}H_{51}N_5O_{19} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{10}H_7NO_6)_3 \cdot 2(C_2H_5)_3N]$	100	-	-	-	45.75 (45.63)	4.12 (4.07)	5.51 (5.54)
Nd-IRMOF-3-CA $Zn_4C_{30}H_{51}Cl_3Nd_3N_3O_{40} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{10}H_{17}NO_{12}NdCl)_3]$	39.44 ± 1.61	30.10 ± 2.52	-	30.46 ± 1.91	18.91 (19.02)	2.89 (2.71)	2.36 (2.22)
Eu-IRMOF-3-CA $Zn_4C_{30}H_{51}Cl_3Eu_3N_3O_{40} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{10}H_{17}NO_{12}EuCl)_3]$	41.17 ± 1.79	-	29.91 ± 2.11	28.92 ± 2.31	19.01 (18.79)	2.98 (2.68)	2.51 (2.19)
IRMOF-3-GL $Zn_4C_{28.5}H_{19.5}N_3O_{19.75} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{10}H_7NO_7)_{2.25}(C_8H_5NO_4)_{0.75}]$	100	-	-	-	35.12 (34.88)	2.21 (2.00)	4.42 (4.28)
IRMOF-3-GL-R $Zn_4C_{28.5}H_{19.5}N_3O_{17.5} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{10}H_7NO_6)_{2.25}(C_8H_5NO_4)_{0.75}]$	100	-	-	-	36.52 (36.20)	2.11 (2.08)	4.46 (4.44)
Nd-IRMOF-3-GL $Zn_4C_{55.5}H_{55.5}Cl_{2.25}N_{16.5}Nd_{2.25}O_{190.75} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{22}H_{23}N_7O_7NdCl)_{2.25}(C_8H_5NO_4)_{0.75}]$	47.03 ± 2.19	26.47 ± 1.66	-	26.50 ± 2.35	34.56 (34.44)	2.92 (2.89)	12.01 (11.94)
Eu-IRMOF-3-GL $Zn_4C_{55.5}H_{55.5}Cl_{2.25}Eu_{2.25}N_{16.5}O_{190.75} =$ $[Zn_4O(C_{22}H_{23}N_7O_7EuCl)_{2.25}(C_8H_5NO_4)_{0.75}]$	47.53 ± 3.15	-	26.20 ± 1.66	26.27 ± 1.05	34.20 (34.13)	2.91 (2.86)	11.88 (11.83)

*the percentage calculated from ICP analysis (repeated 3 times) and EDS and the results are expressed as mean \pm SD for determination of 10 crystals. C, H, N percentages were measured for 3 samples and calculated value between brackets.

Table S2. Elemental analysis of IRMOF-3-EM, IRMOF-3-MVK, Ln-IRMOF-3-EM and Ln-IRMOF-3-MVK (Ln = Nd, Eu) (%).

Sample	Metal & chloride ratio*				S	C	H	N
	Zn	Nd	Eu	Cl				
IRMOF-3-EM Zn ₄ C _{43.2} H ₃₉ N ₃ O _{22.6} = [Zn ₄ O(C ₁₆ H ₁₅ NO ₈) _{2.4} (C ₈ H ₅ NO ₄) _{0.6}]	100	-	-	-	-	43.01 (42.42)	3.32 (3.21)	3.51 (3.43)
Nd-IRMOF-3-EM Zn ₄ C _{62.4} H _{96.6} Cl _{7.2} N ₃ Nd _{2.4} O _{32.2} S _{9.6} = [Zn ₄ O(C ₂₄ H ₃₉ NO ₁₂ S ₄ NdCl ₃) _{2.4} (C ₈ H ₅ NO ₄) _{0.6}]	29.44 ±2.35	17.64 ±1.12	- -	52.92 ±4.55	12.02 (11.96)	29.30 (29.11)	3.81 (3.78)	1.59 (1.63)
Eu-IRMOF-3-EM Zn ₄ C _{62.4} H _{96.6} Cl _{7.2} N ₃ Eu _{2.4} O _{32.2} S _{9.6} = [Zn ₄ O(C ₂₄ H ₃₉ NO ₁₂ S ₄ EuCl ₃) _{2.4} (C ₈ H ₅ NO ₄) _{0.6}]	28.99 ±3.55	-	17.99 ±1.13	53.02 ±4.15	11.89 (11.87)	29.02 (28.90)	3.72 (3.75)	1.65 (1.62)
IRMOF-3-MVK Zn ₄ C _{33.12} H _{28.68} N ₃ O _{15.28} = [Zn ₄ O(C ₁₂ H ₁₁ NO ₅) _{1.38} (C ₁₂ H ₁₁ NO ₅) _{0.9} (C ₈ H ₅ N O ₄) _{0.72}]	100	-	-	-	-	41.62 (40.81)	3.05 (2.97)	4.09 (4.31)
Nd-IRMOF-3-MVK Zn ₄ C _{55.92} H _{94.8} C _{14.56} N ₃ Nd _{2.28} O _{26.68} S _{11.4} = [Zn ₄ O(C ₂₂ H ₄₀ NS ₅ O ₁₀ NdCl ₂) _{1.38} (C ₂₂ H ₄₀ NS ₅ O ₁₀ NdCl ₂) _{0.9} (C ₈ H ₅ NO ₄) _{0.72}]	36.88 ±3.21	21.08 ±1.18	-	42.04 ±2.05	15.65 (15.53)	28.66 (28.54)	4.12 (4.06)	1.82 (1.79)
Eu-IRMOF-3-MVK Zn ₄ C _{55.92} H _{94.8} C _{14.56} Eu _{2.28} N ₃ O _{26.68} S _{11.4} = [Zn ₄ O(C ₂₂ H ₄₀ NS ₅ O ₁₀ EuCl ₂) _{1.38} (C ₂₂ H ₄₀ NS ₅ O ₁₀ EuCl ₂) _{0.9} (C ₈ H ₅ NO ₄) _{0.72}]	37.05 ±3.19	-	19.93 ±1.10	43.02 ±2.19	15.31 (15.42)	28.44 (28.32)	4.09 (4.03)	1.81 (1.77)

*the percentage calculated from ICP analysis (repeated 3 times) and EDS and the results are expressed as mean ±SD for determination of 10 crystals. C, H, N percentages were measured for 3 samples and calculated value between brackets.



Scheme S1. Reductive amination mechanism using sodium triacetoxyborohydride

2. X-Ray diffraction

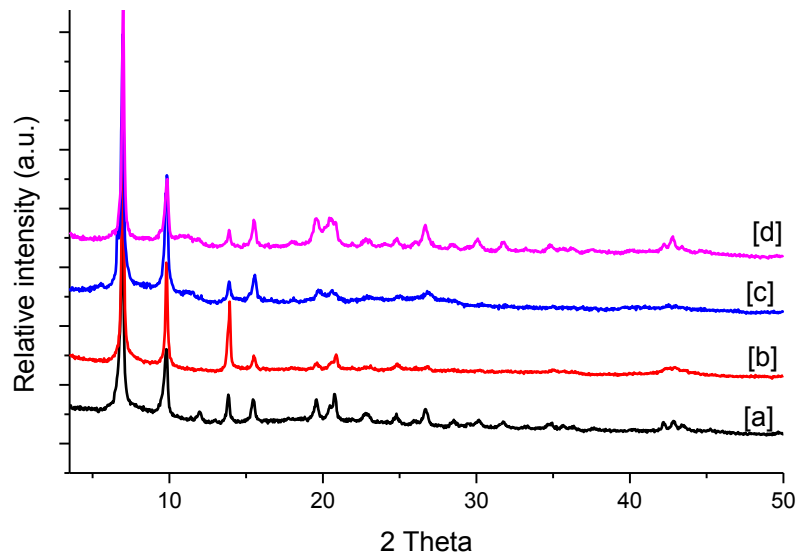


Fig. S1. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) IRMOF-3, (b) IRMOF-3-GL, (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-GL and (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-GL.

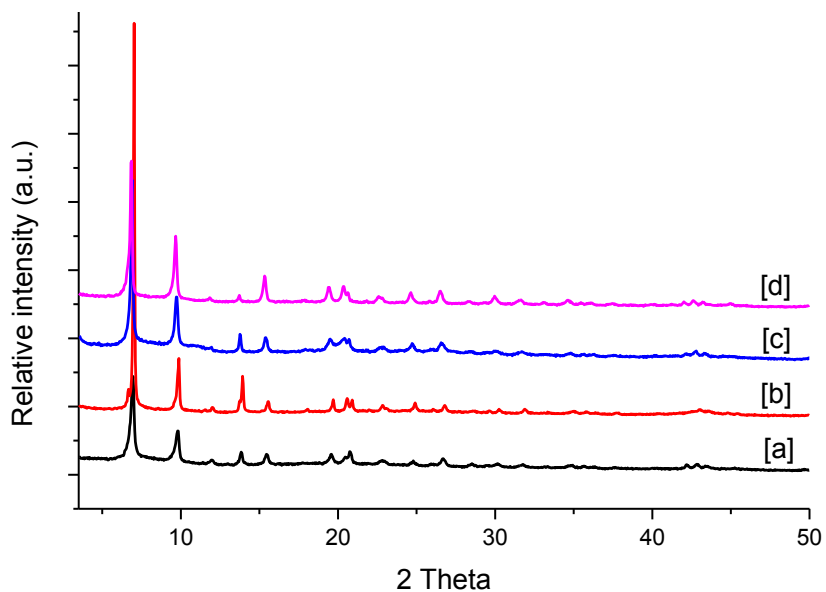


Fig. S2. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) IRMOF-3; (b) IRMOF-3-CA; (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-CA and (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-CA.

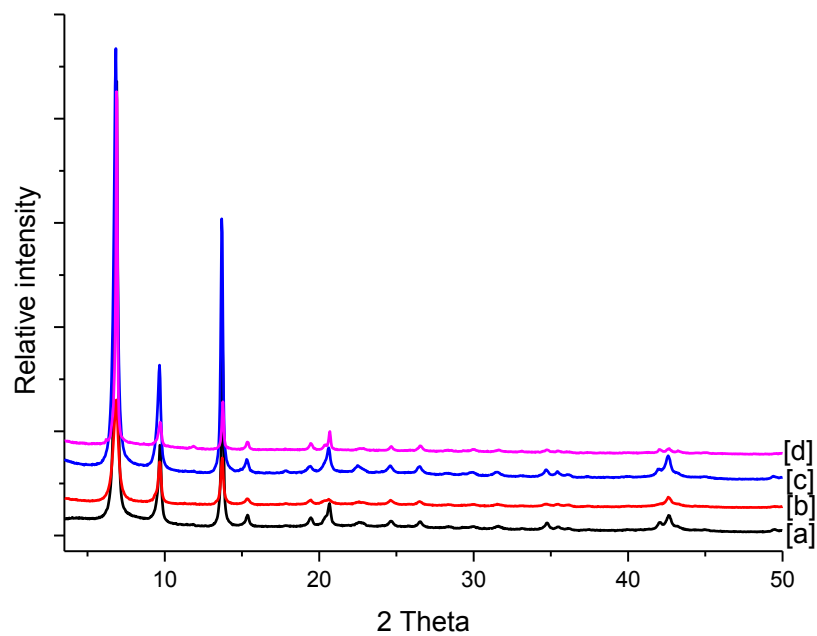


Fig. S3. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) IRMOF-3, (b) IRMOF-3-MVK, (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-MVK, (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-MVK.

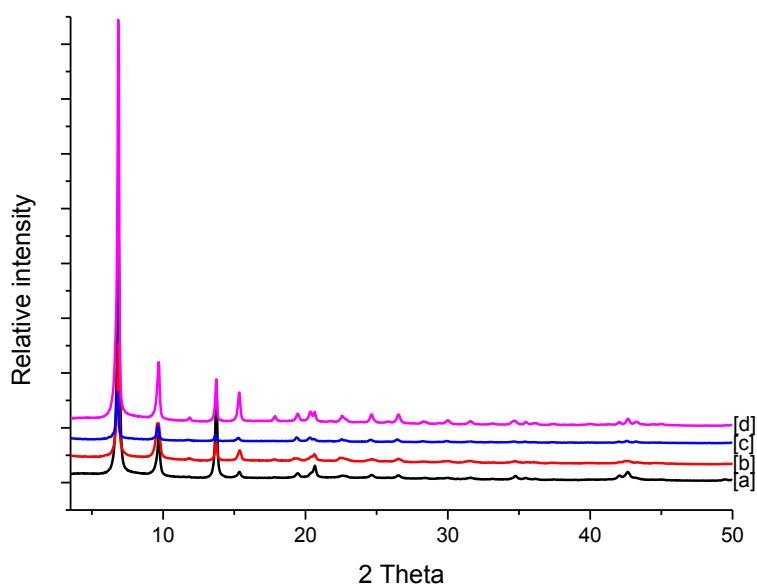


Fig. S4. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) IRMOF-3, (b) IRMOF-3-EM, (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-EM, (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-EM.

3. NMR analysis

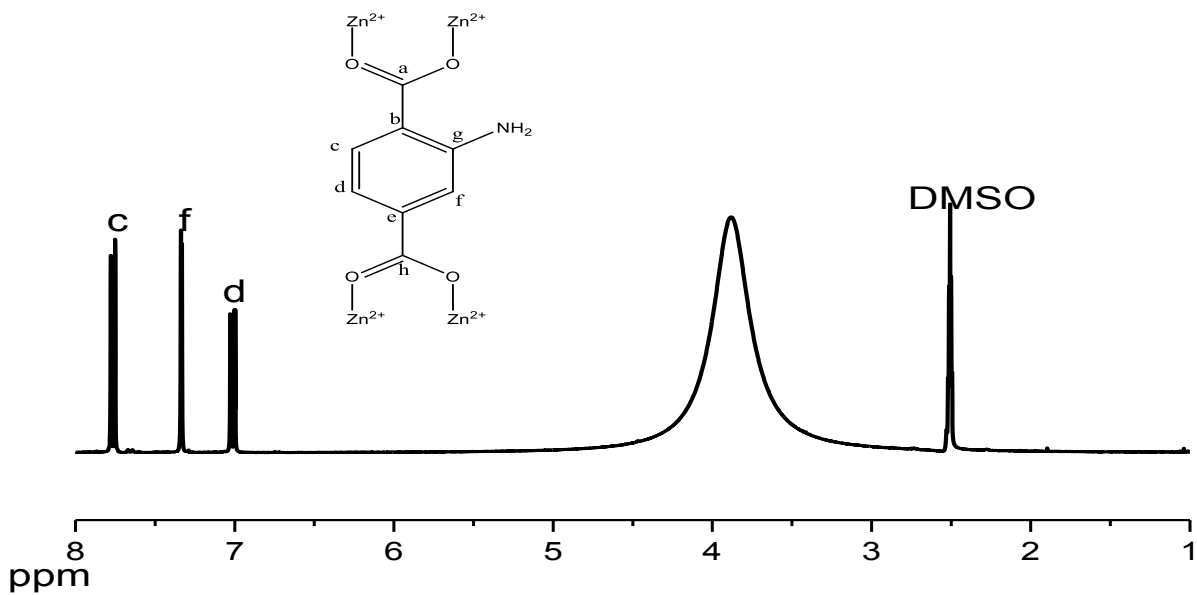


Fig. S5. ¹H NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3.

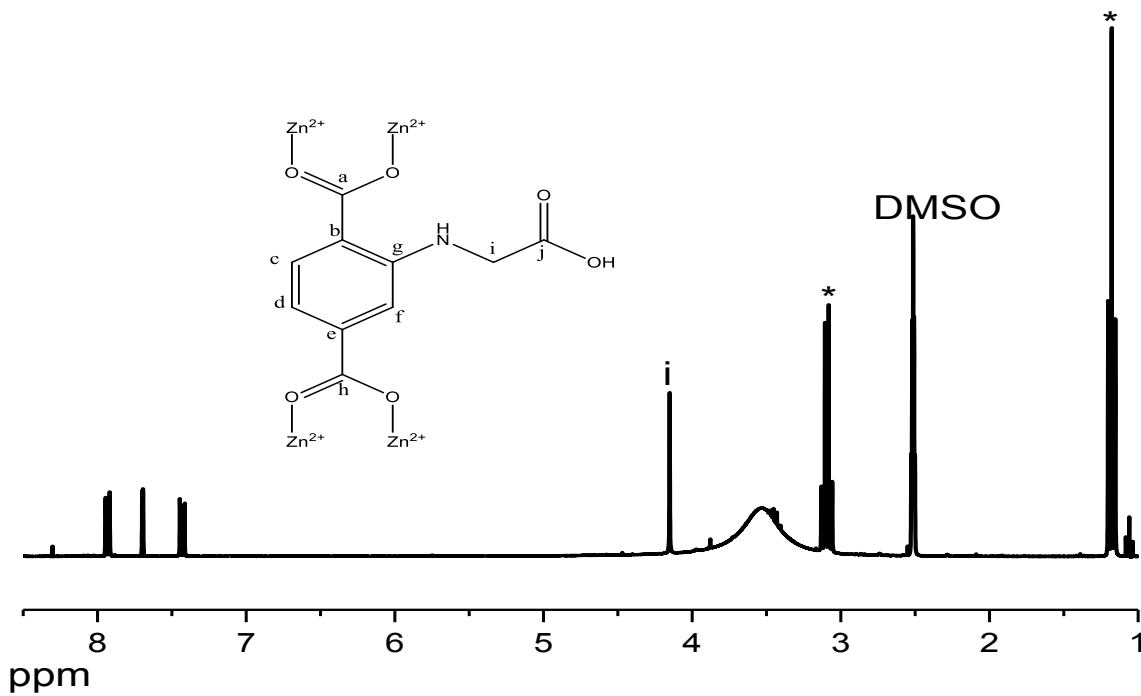


Fig. S6. ¹H NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-CA, *= triethylamine

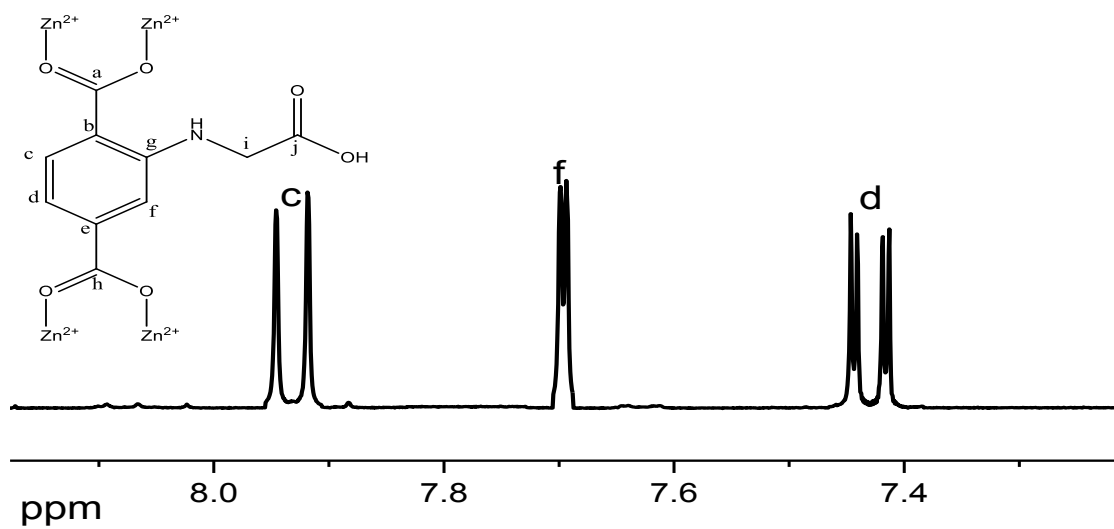


Fig. S7. Aromatic region of the ^1H NMR of spectrum IRMOF-3-CA.

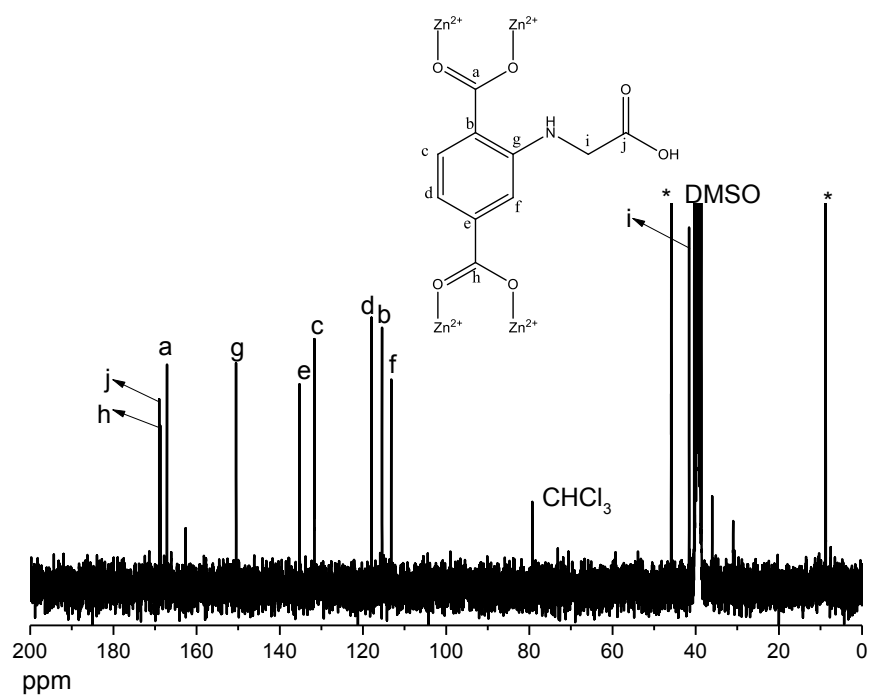


Fig. S8. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-CA, *triethylamine.

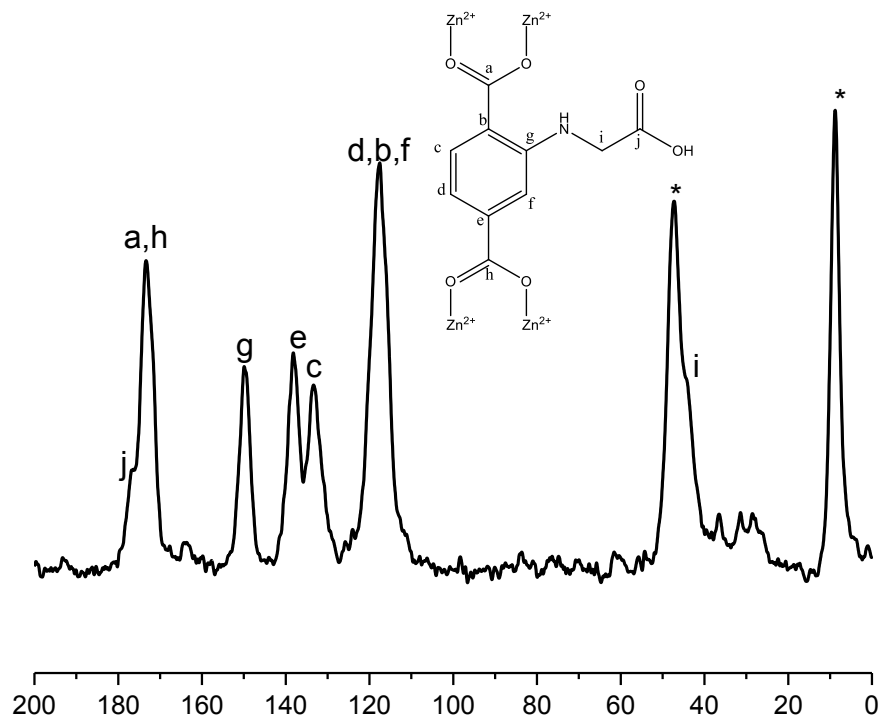


Fig. S9. Solid-state ^{13}C CP/MAS NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-CA, *triethylamine.

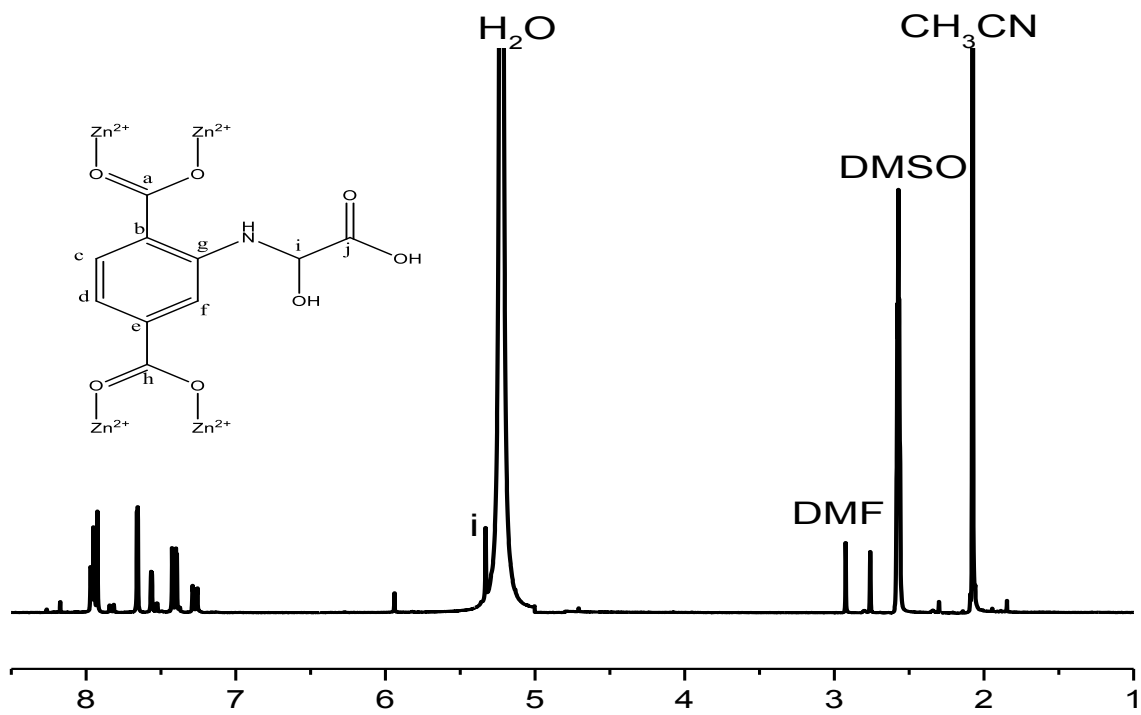


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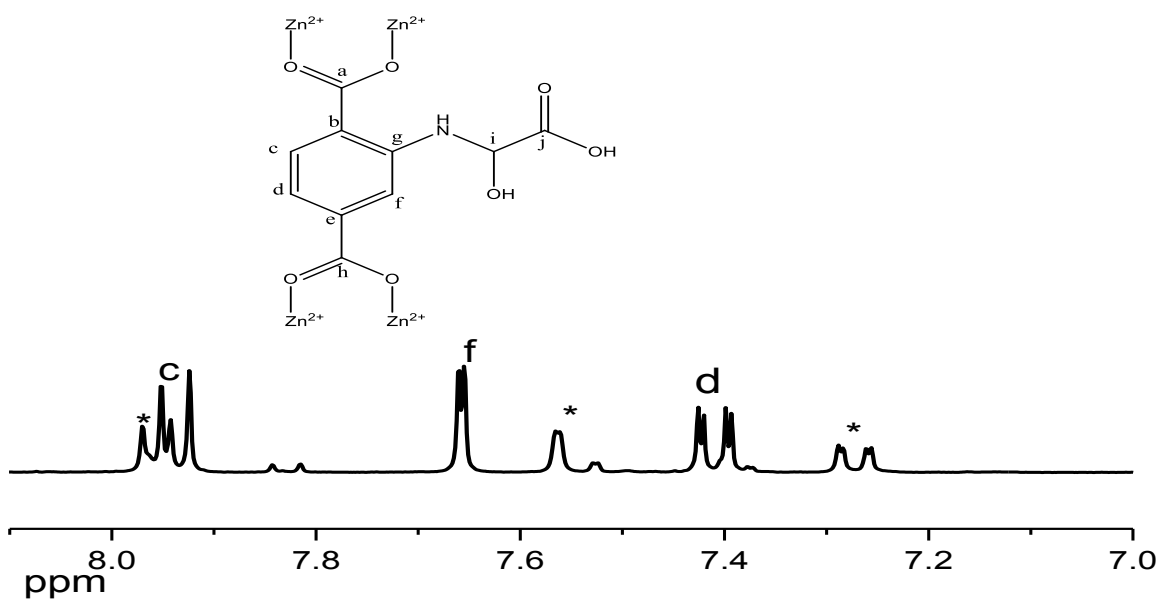


Fig. S11. Aromatic region of the ¹H NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-Gl. * Unmodified IRMOF-3.

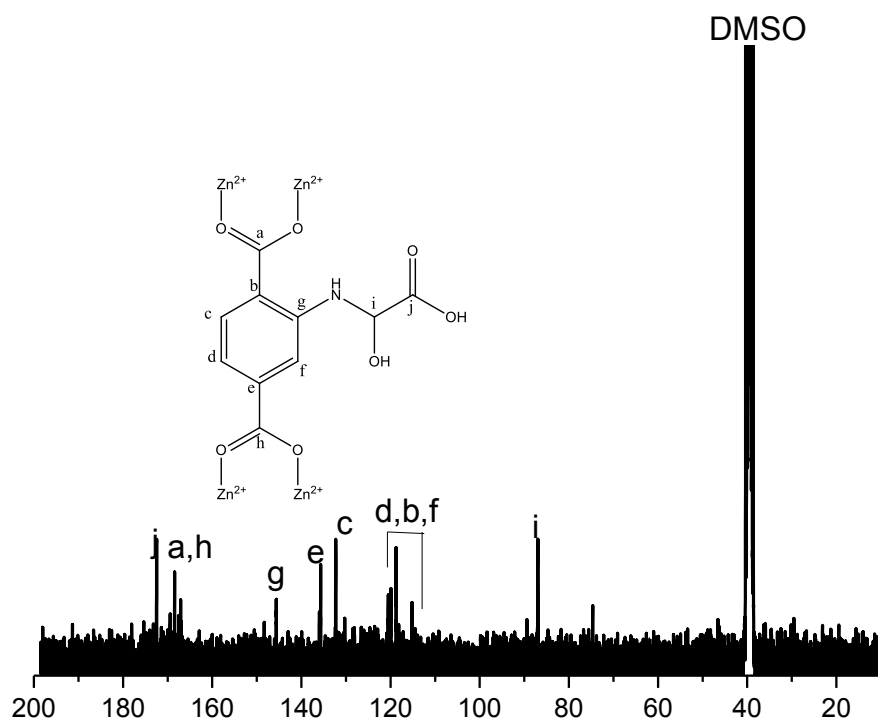


Fig. S12. ¹³C NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-Gl.

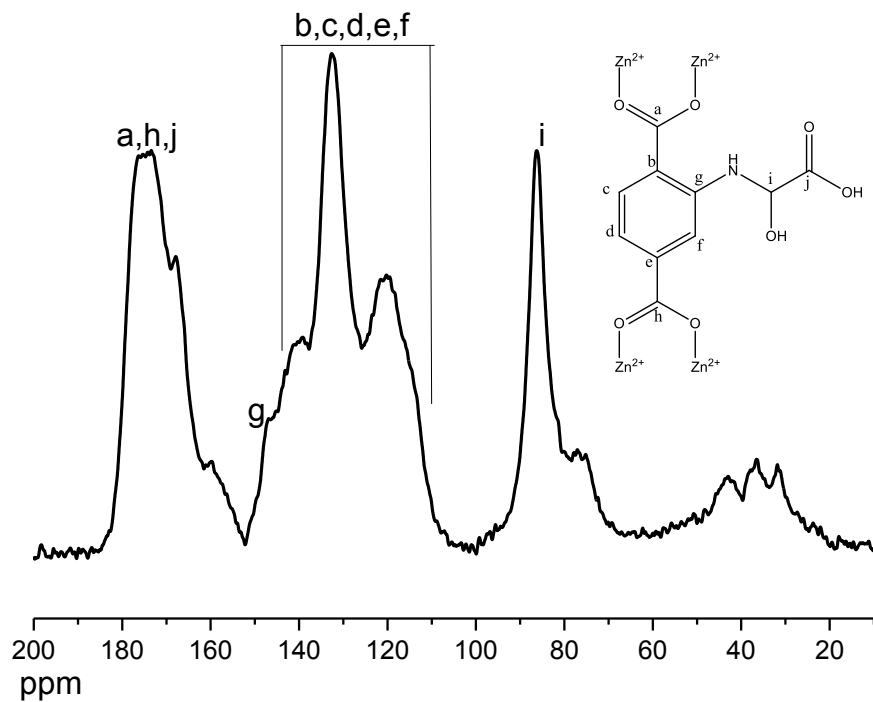


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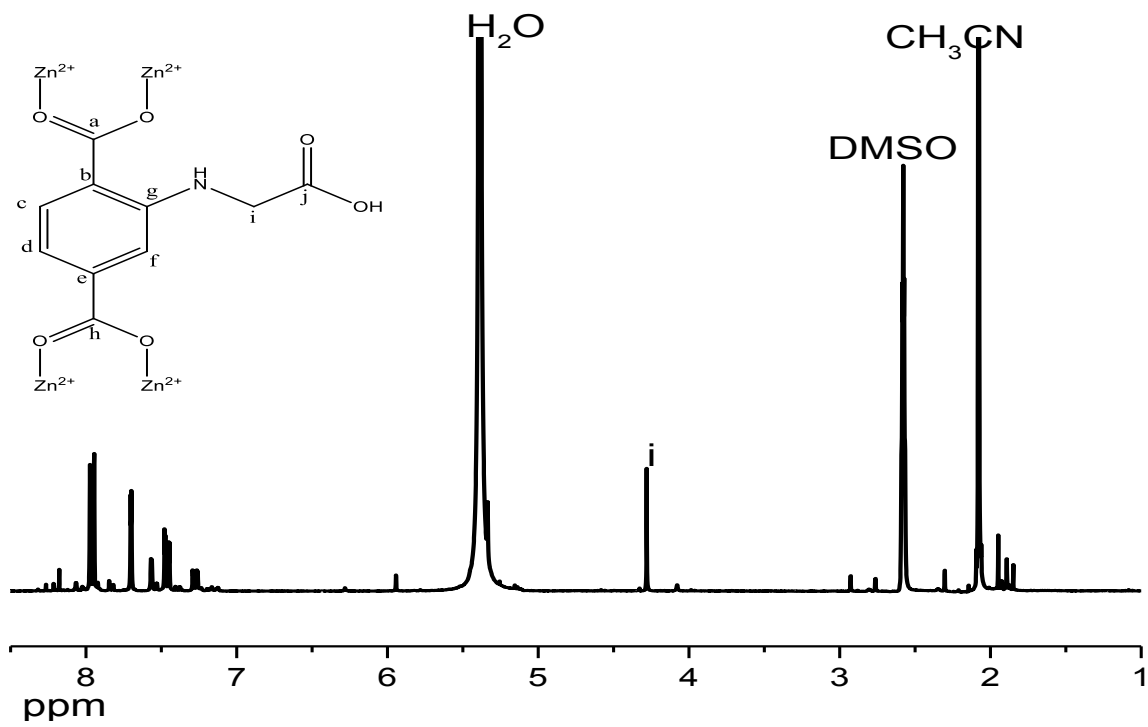


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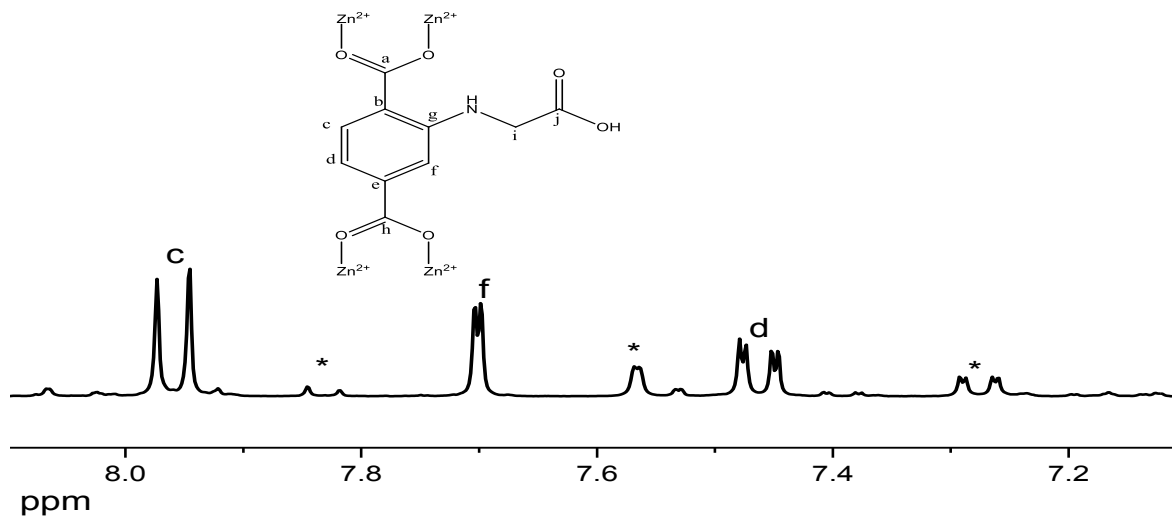


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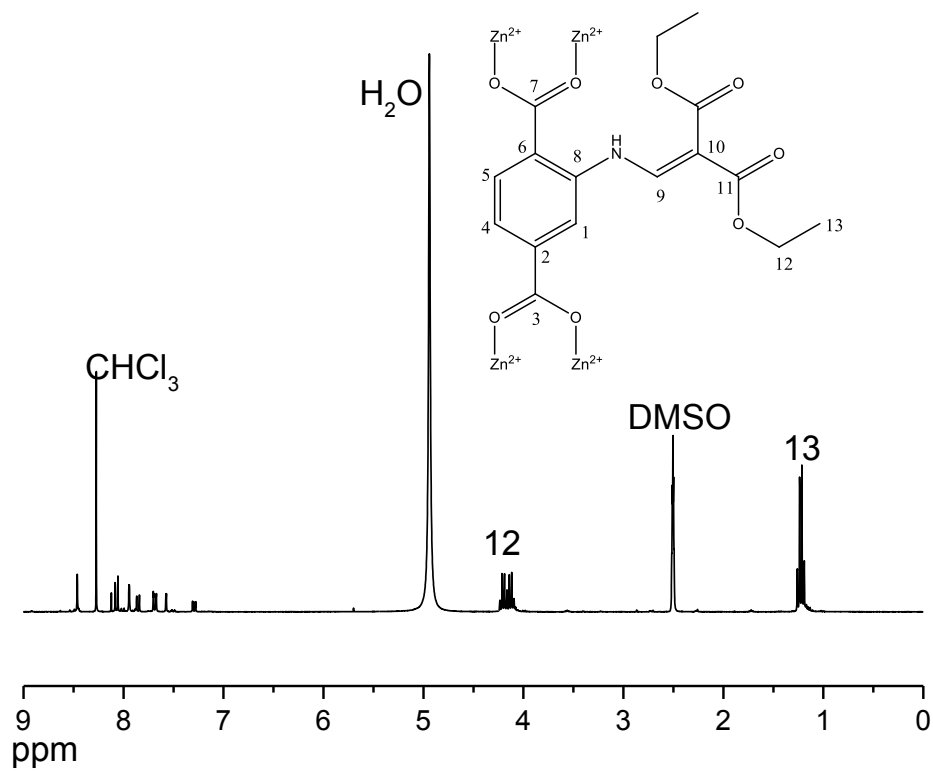


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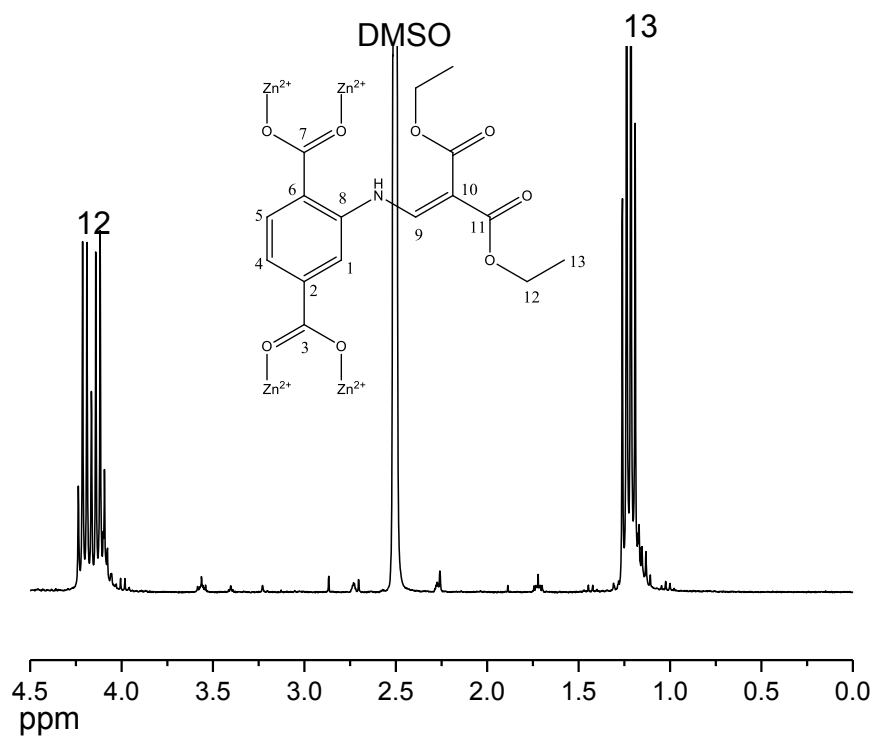


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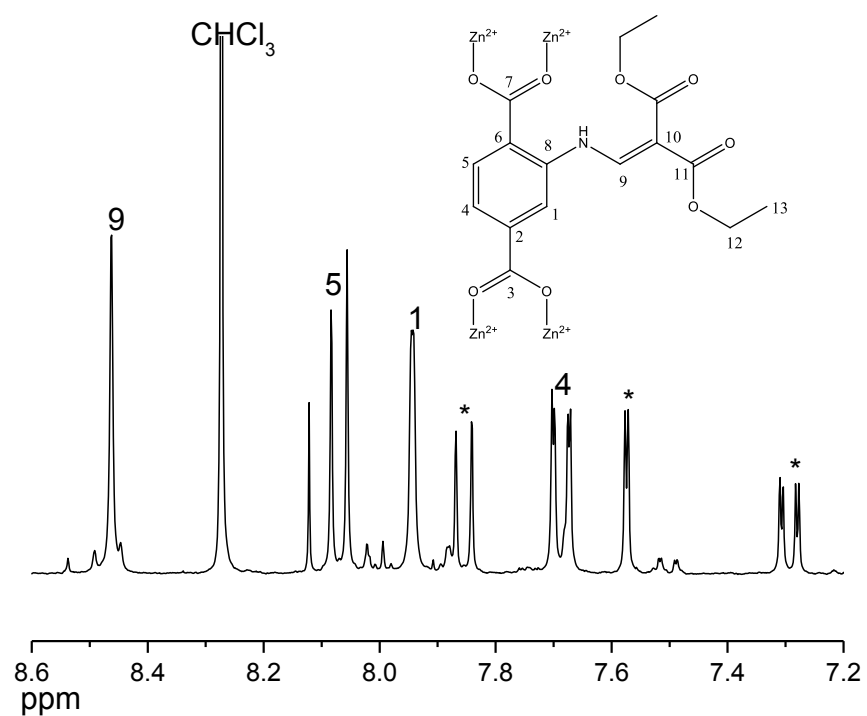


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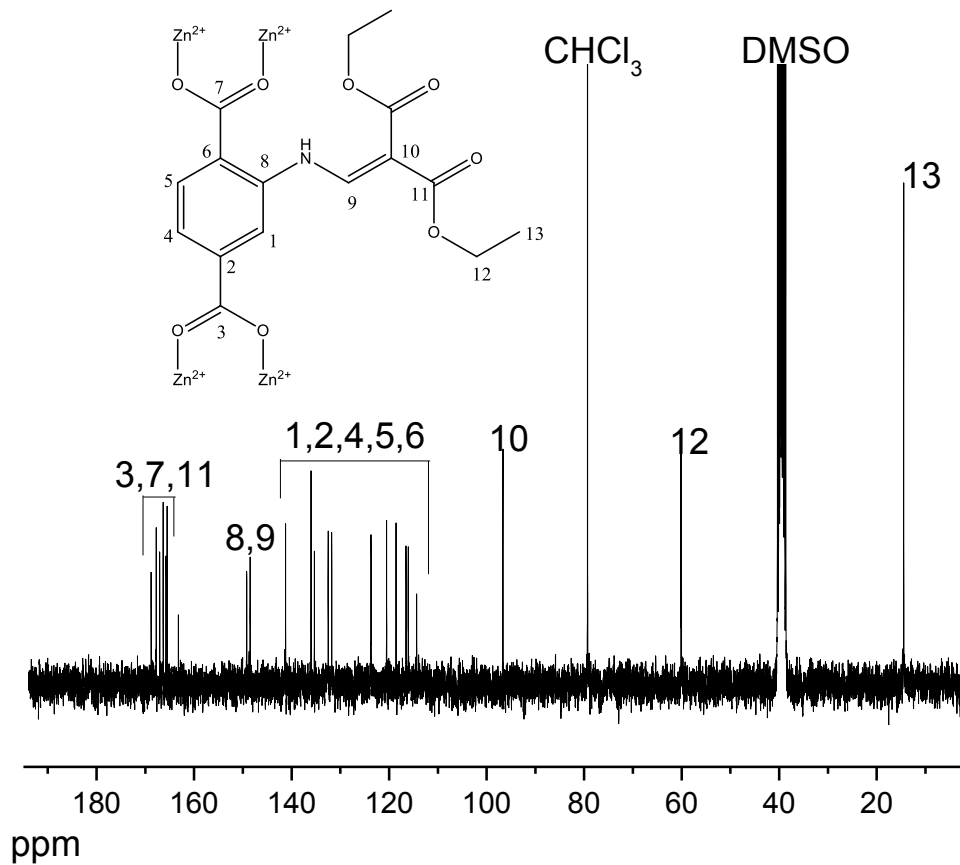


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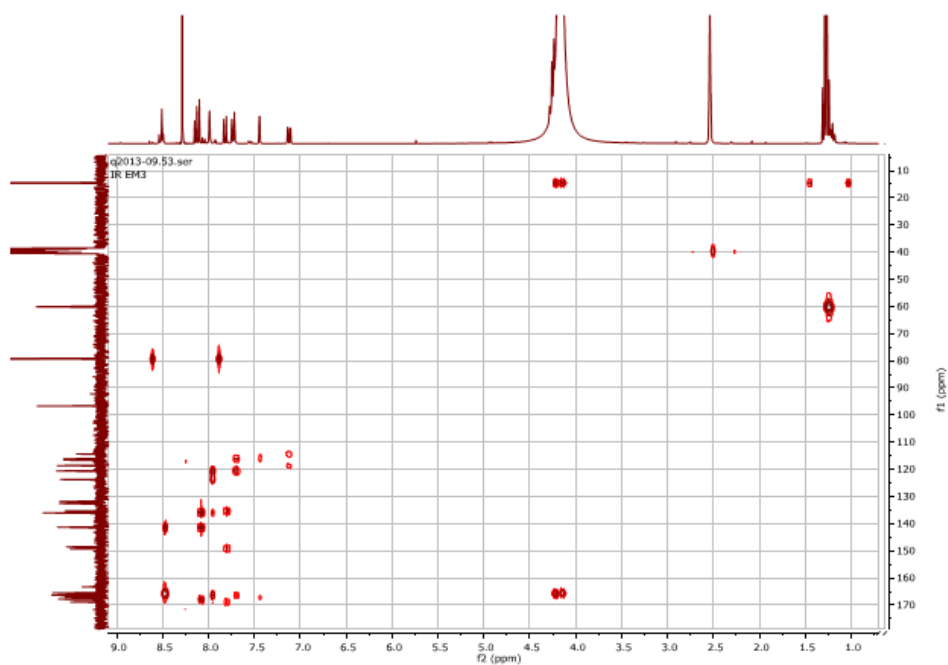


Fig. S20. HMBC spectrum of IRMOF-3-EM.

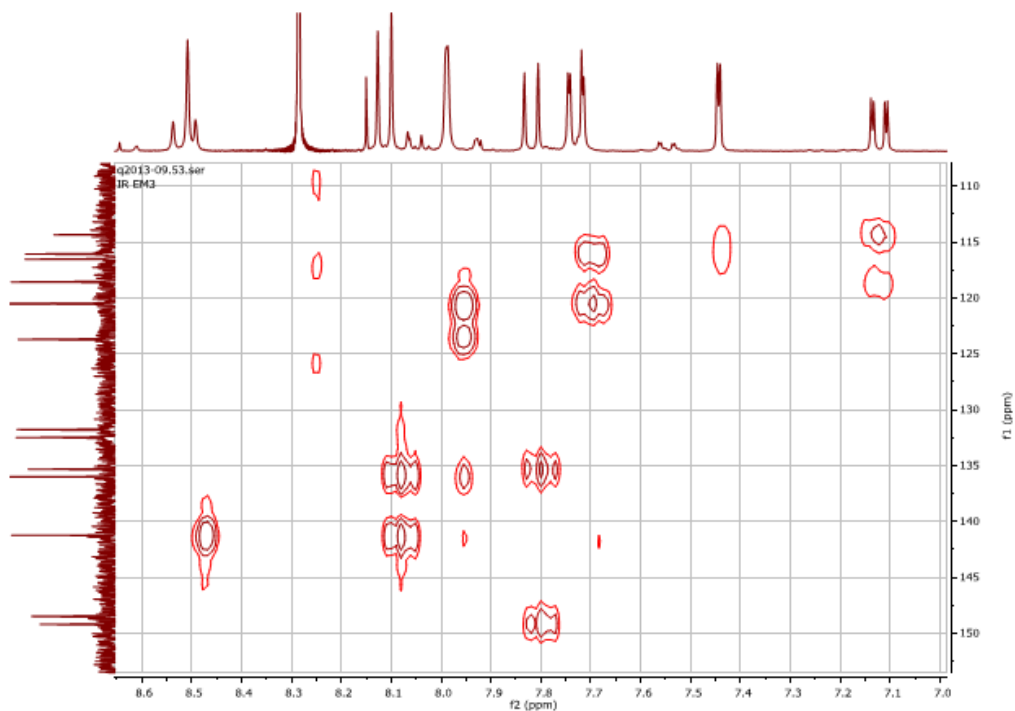


Fig. S21. Expansion of HMBC spectrum of IRMOF-3-EM.

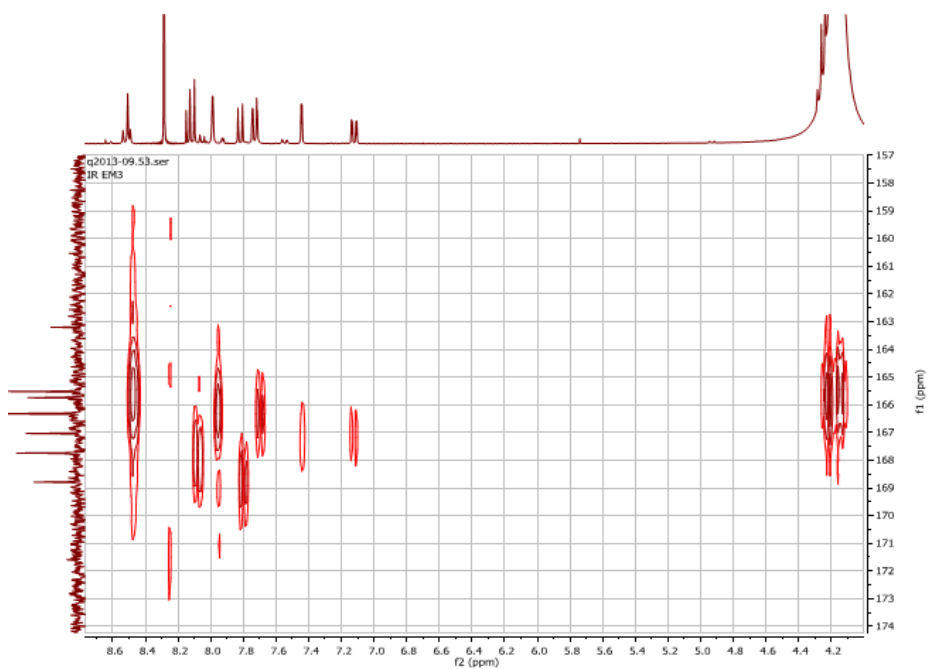


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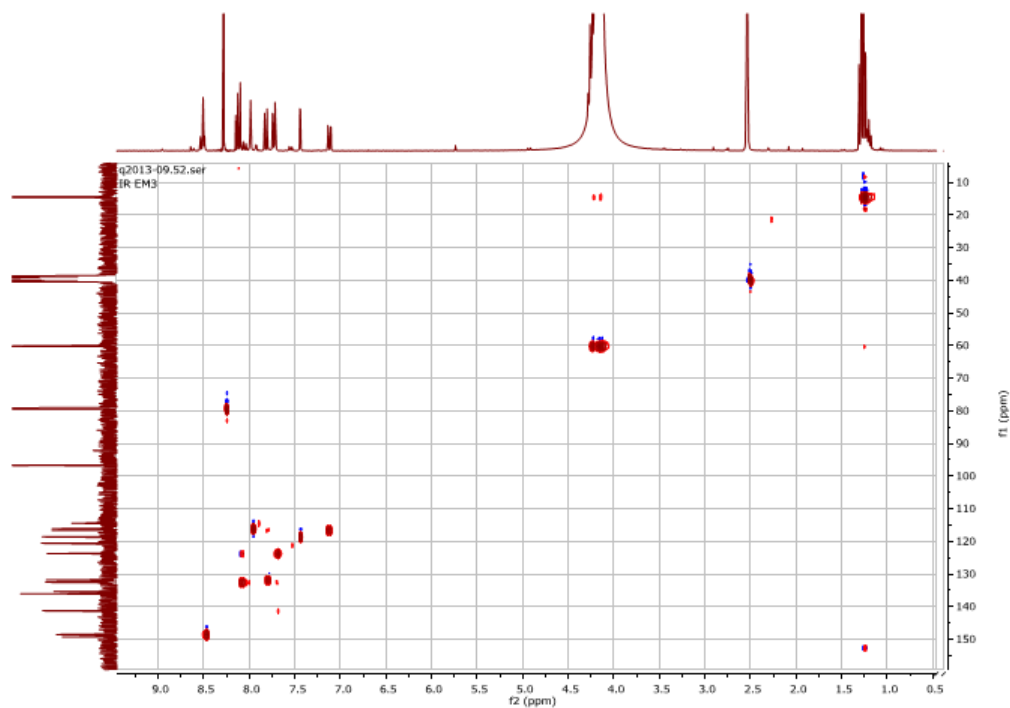


Fig. S23. Expansion of HSQC spectrum of IRMOF-3-EM.

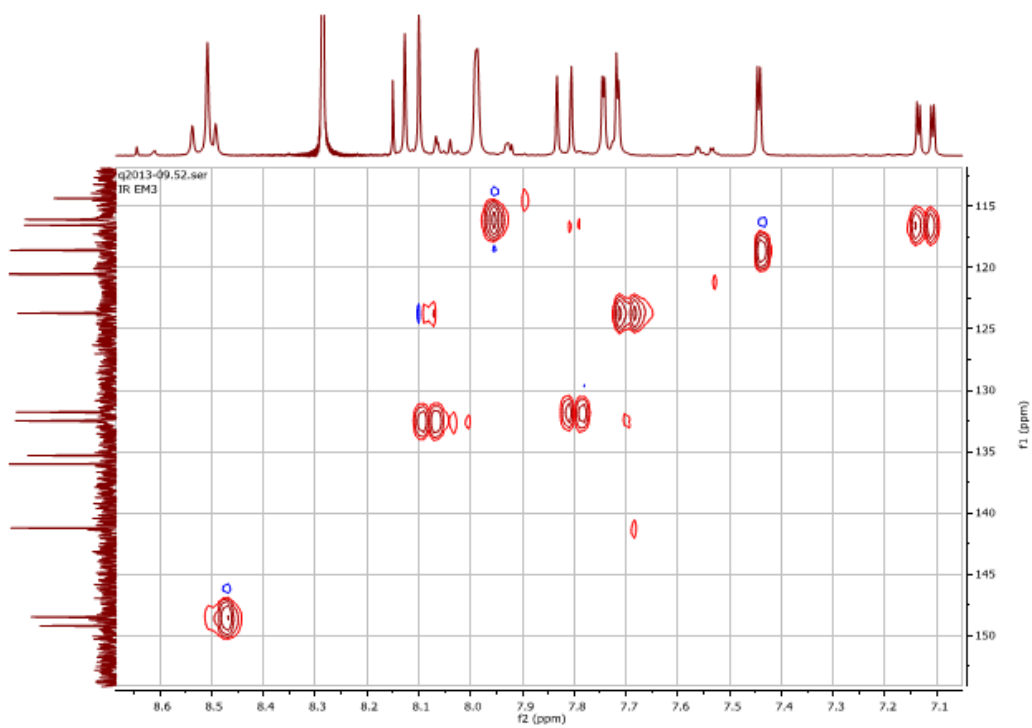


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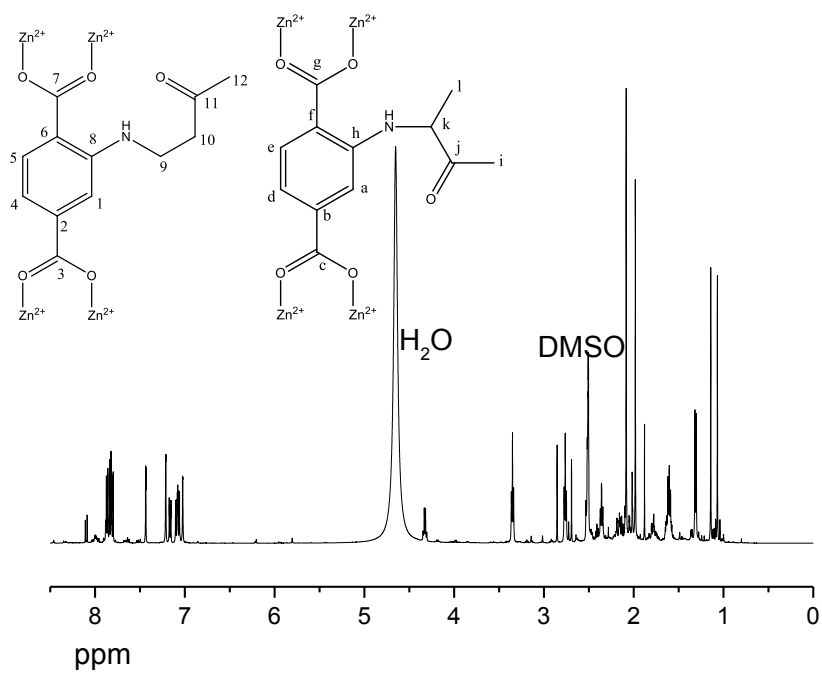


Fig. S25. ¹H NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK.

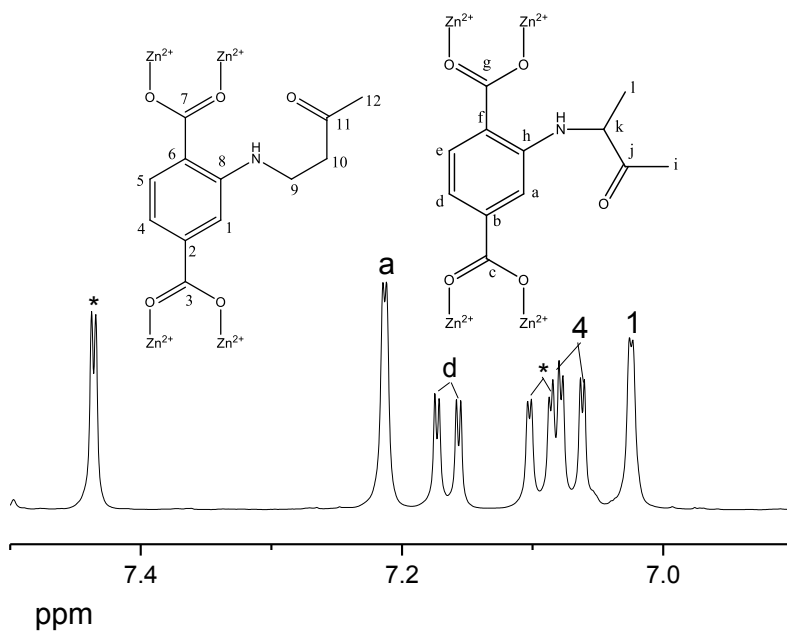


Fig. S26. Expansion of the aromatic region of the ^1H NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK. * Unmodified IRMOF-3.

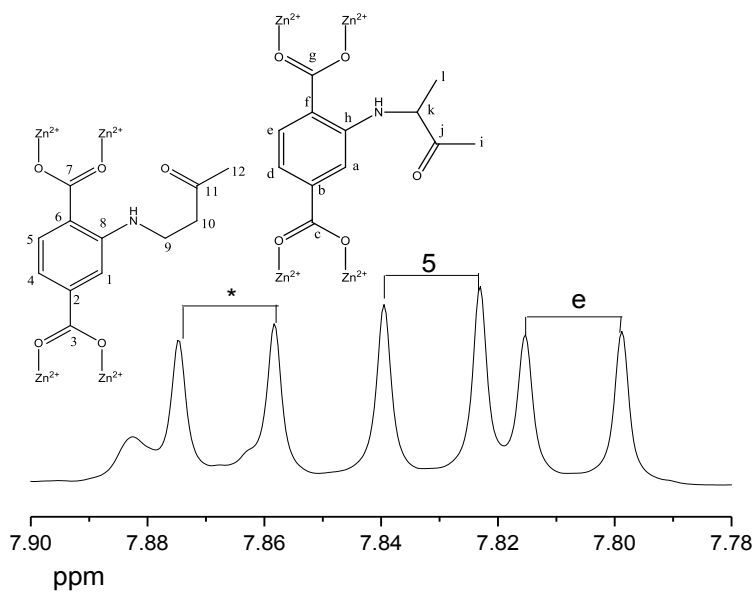


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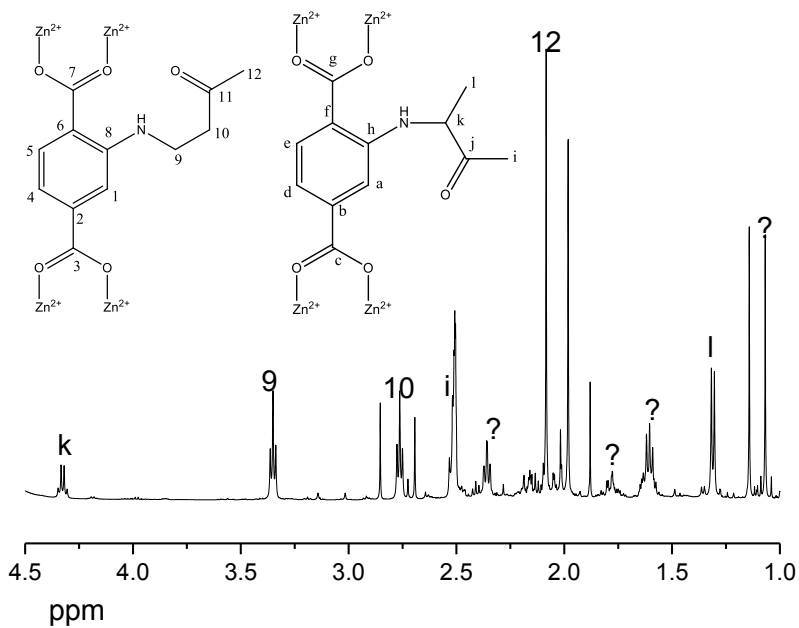


Fig. S28. Aliphatic region of the ^1H NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK. ? = oligomers of MVK.

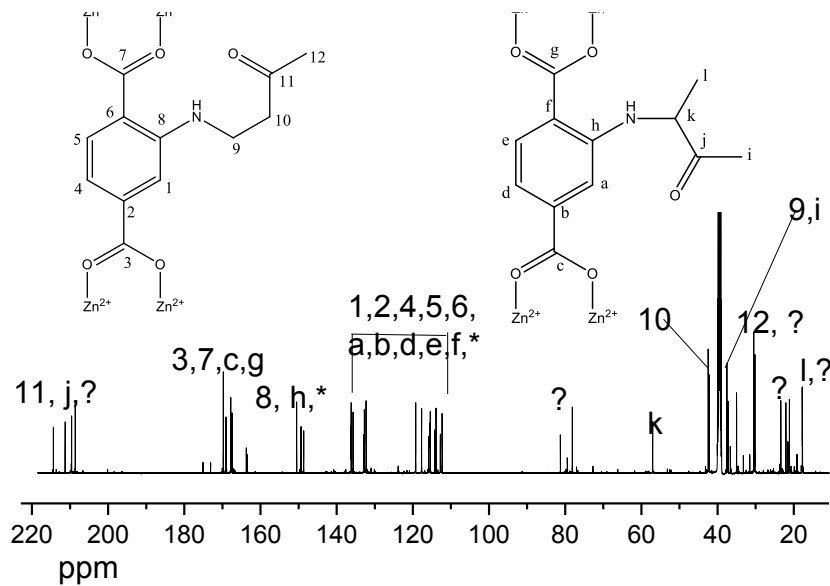


Fig. S29. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK. ? = oligomers of MVK. * Unmodified IRMOF-3.

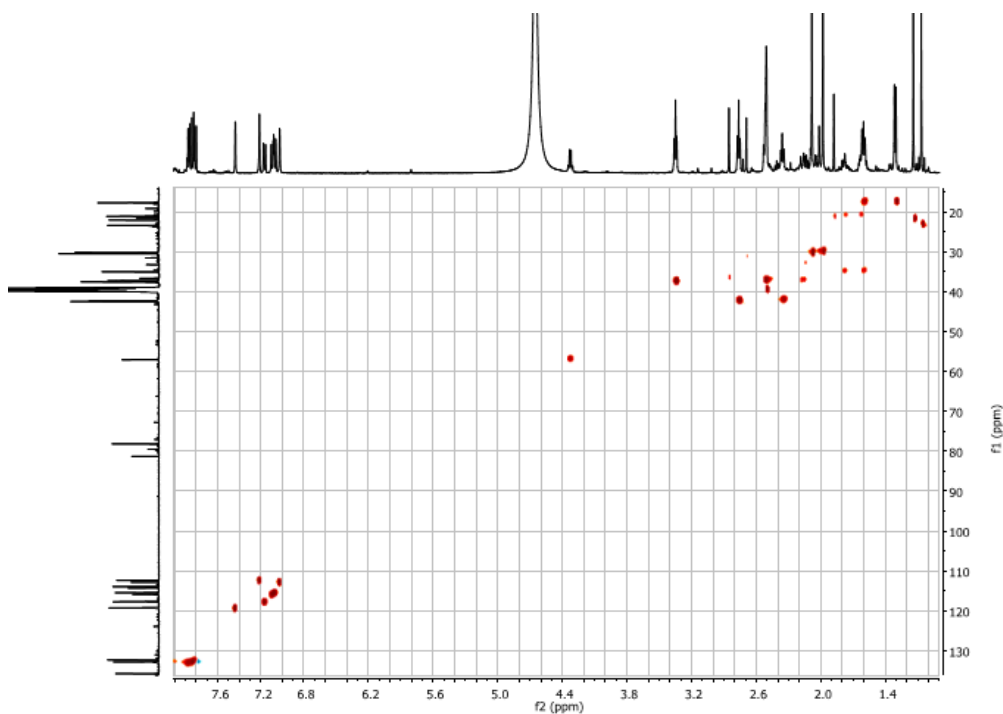


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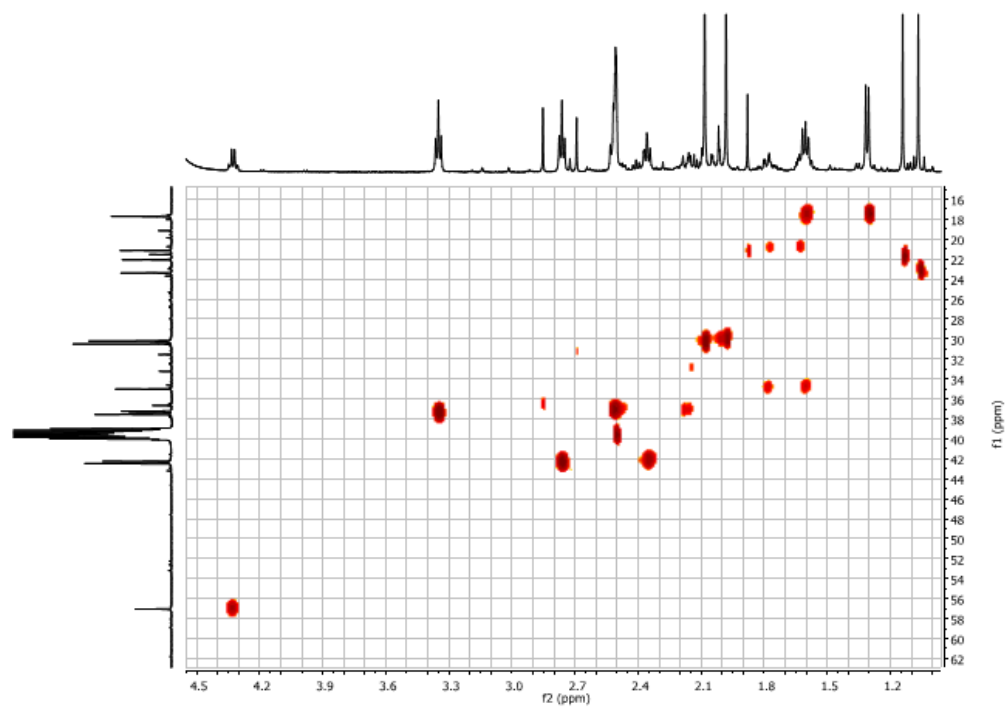


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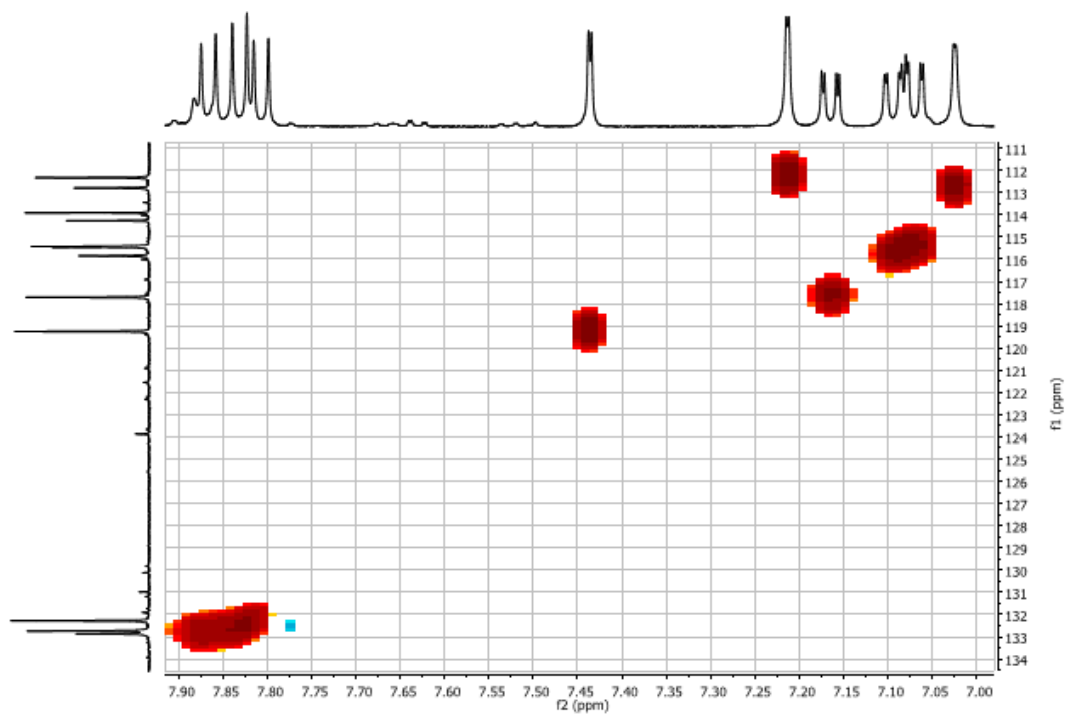


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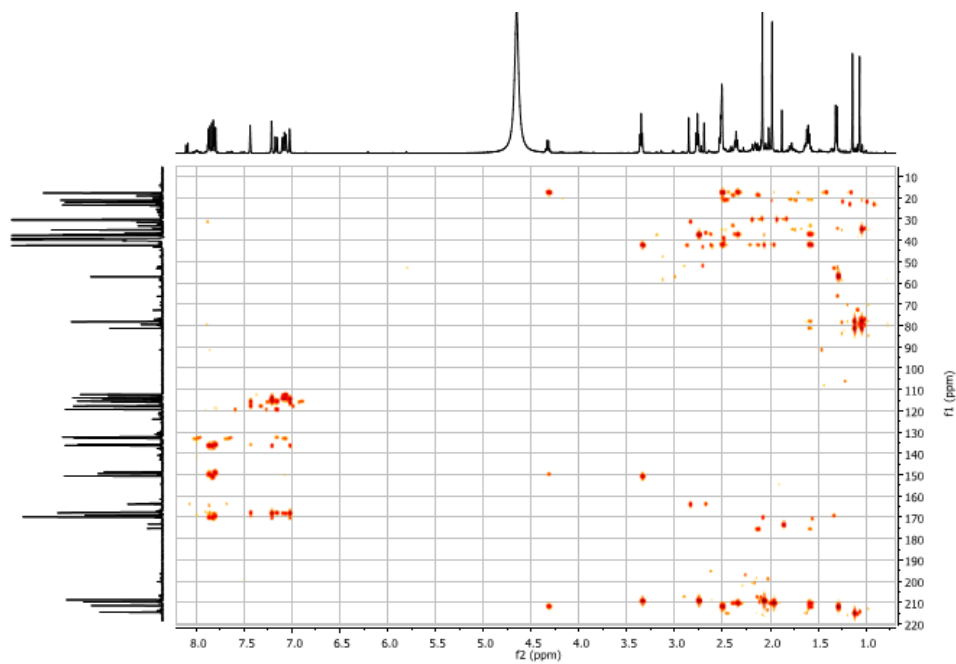


Fig. S33. HMBC spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK.

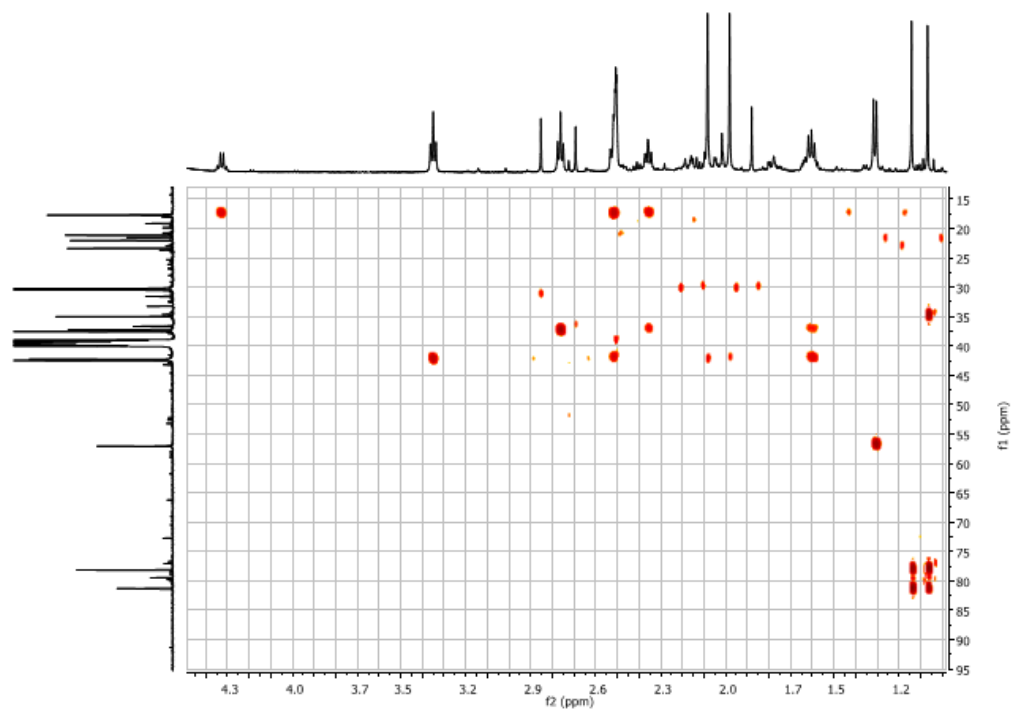


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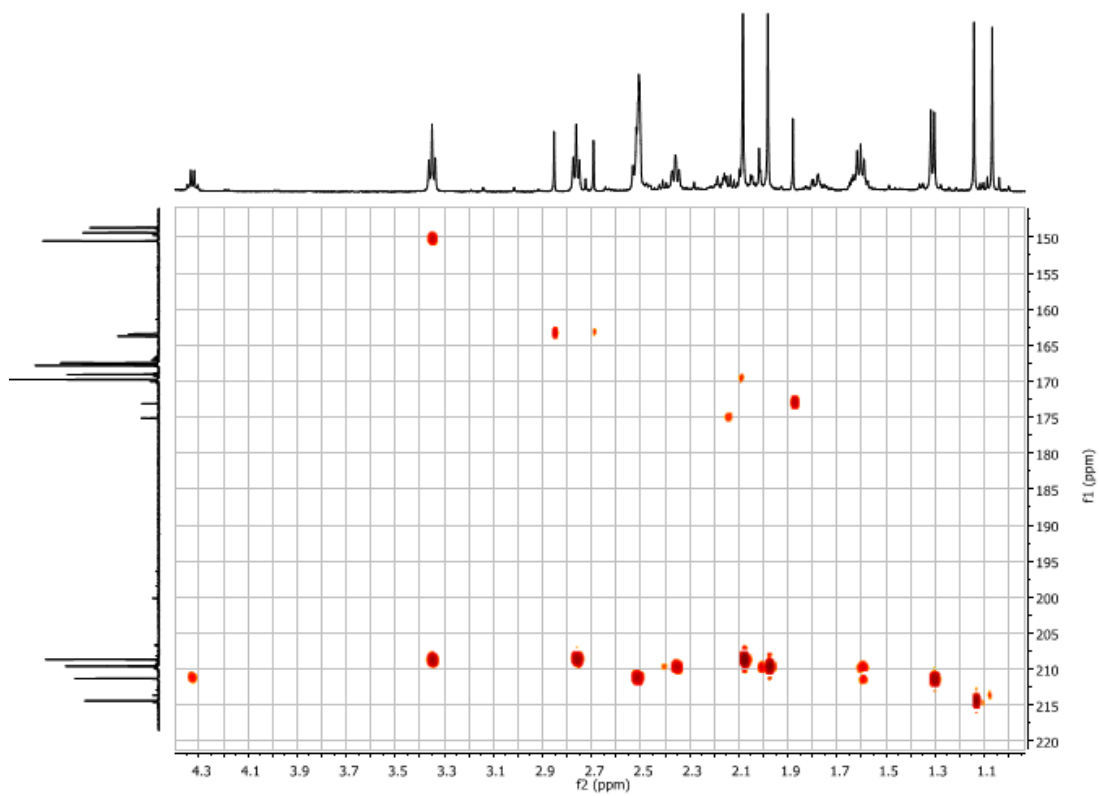


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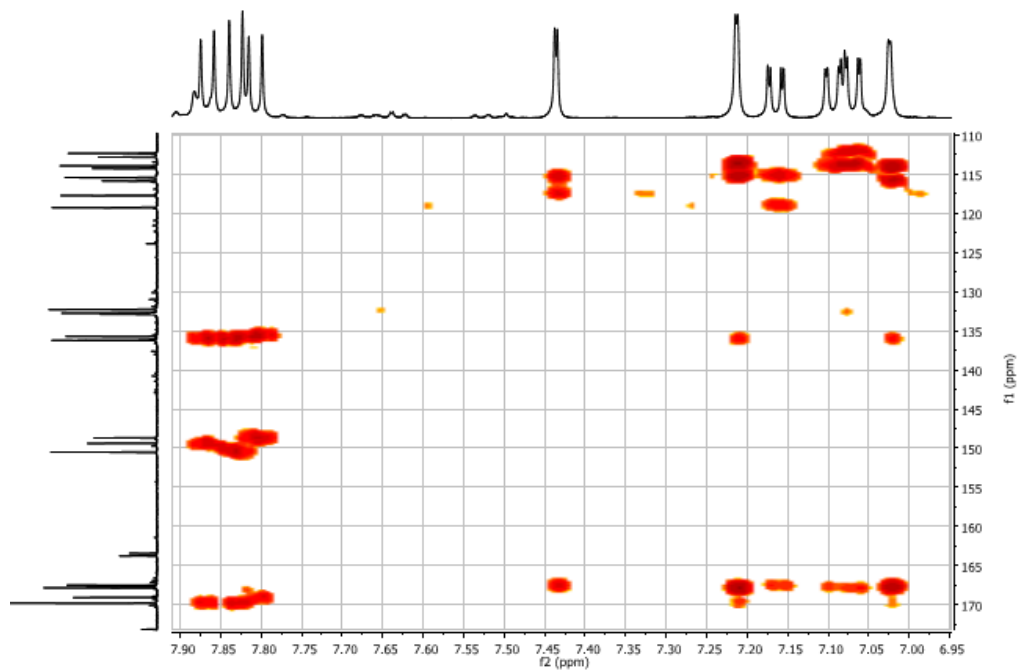


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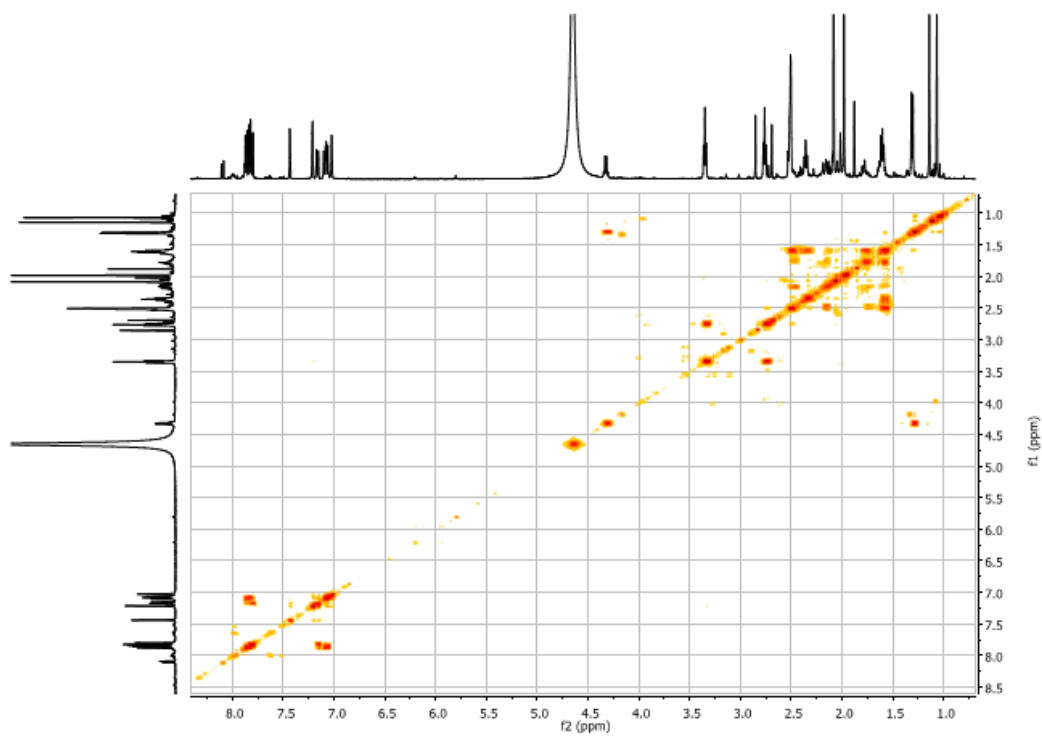


Fig. S37. 2D COSY spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK.

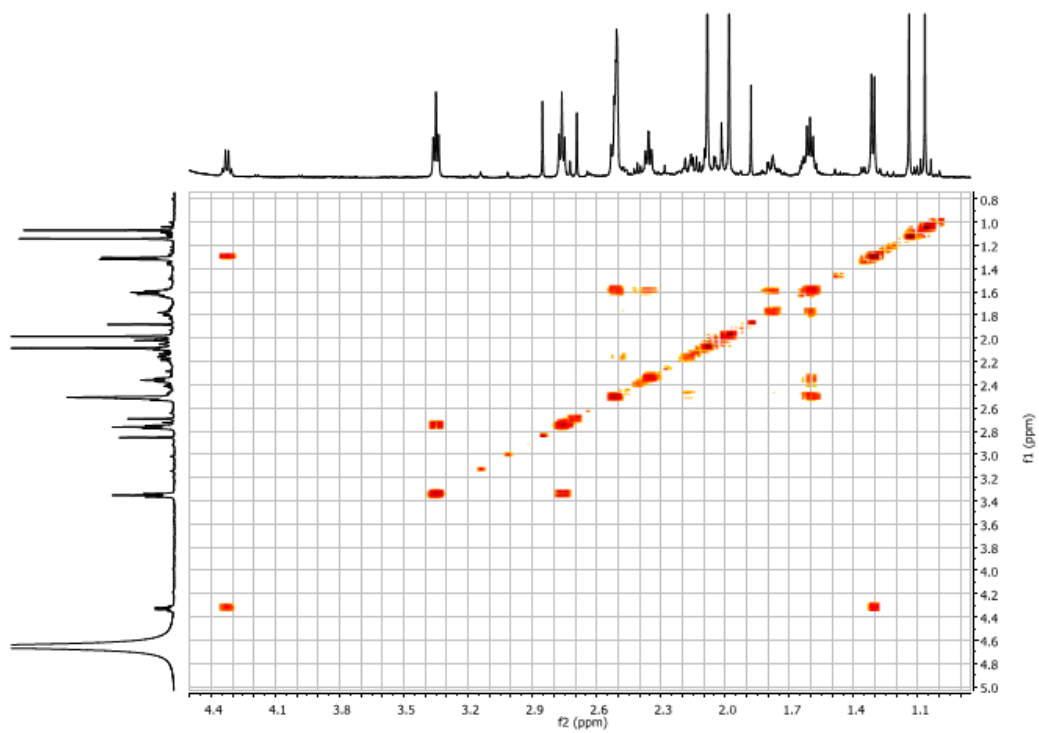


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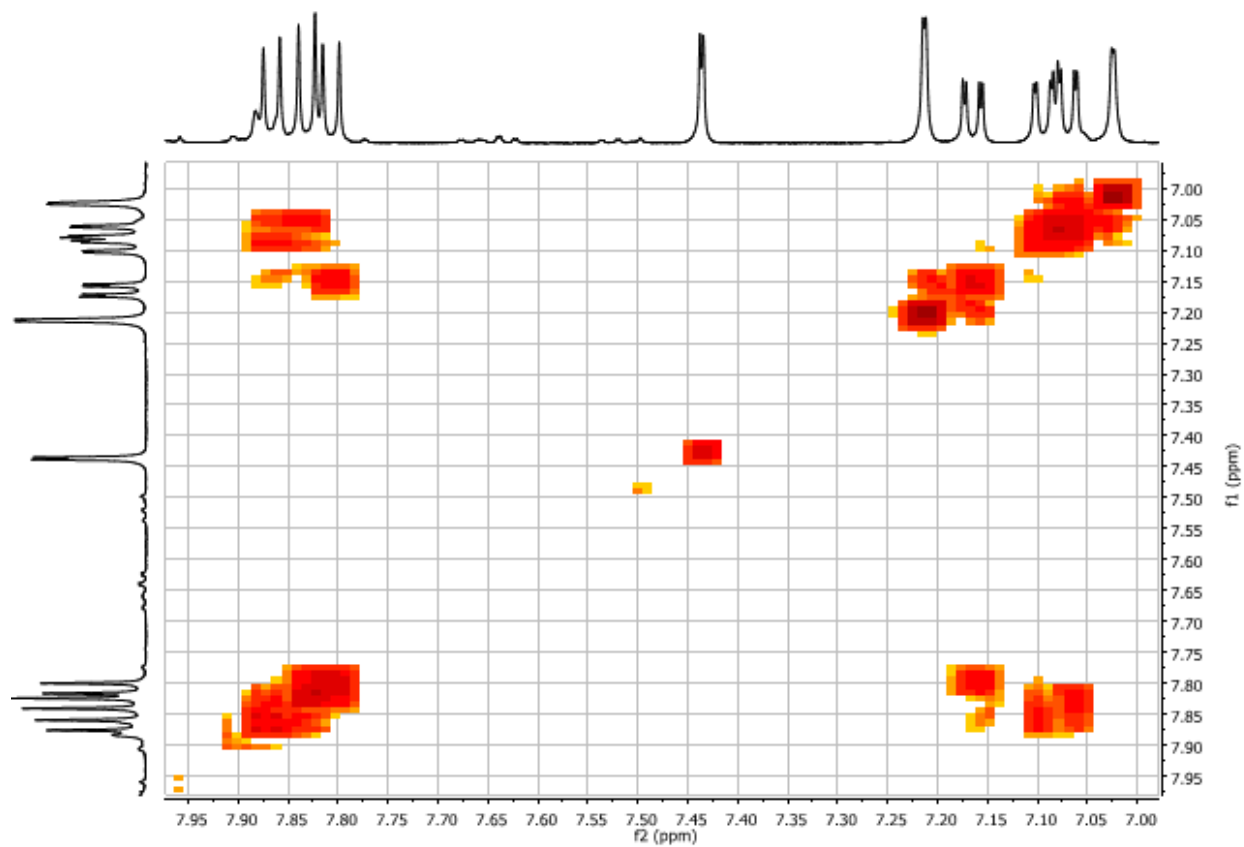


Fig. S39. Expansion of the 2D COSY spectrum of IRMOF-3-MVK.

4. FT-IR analysis

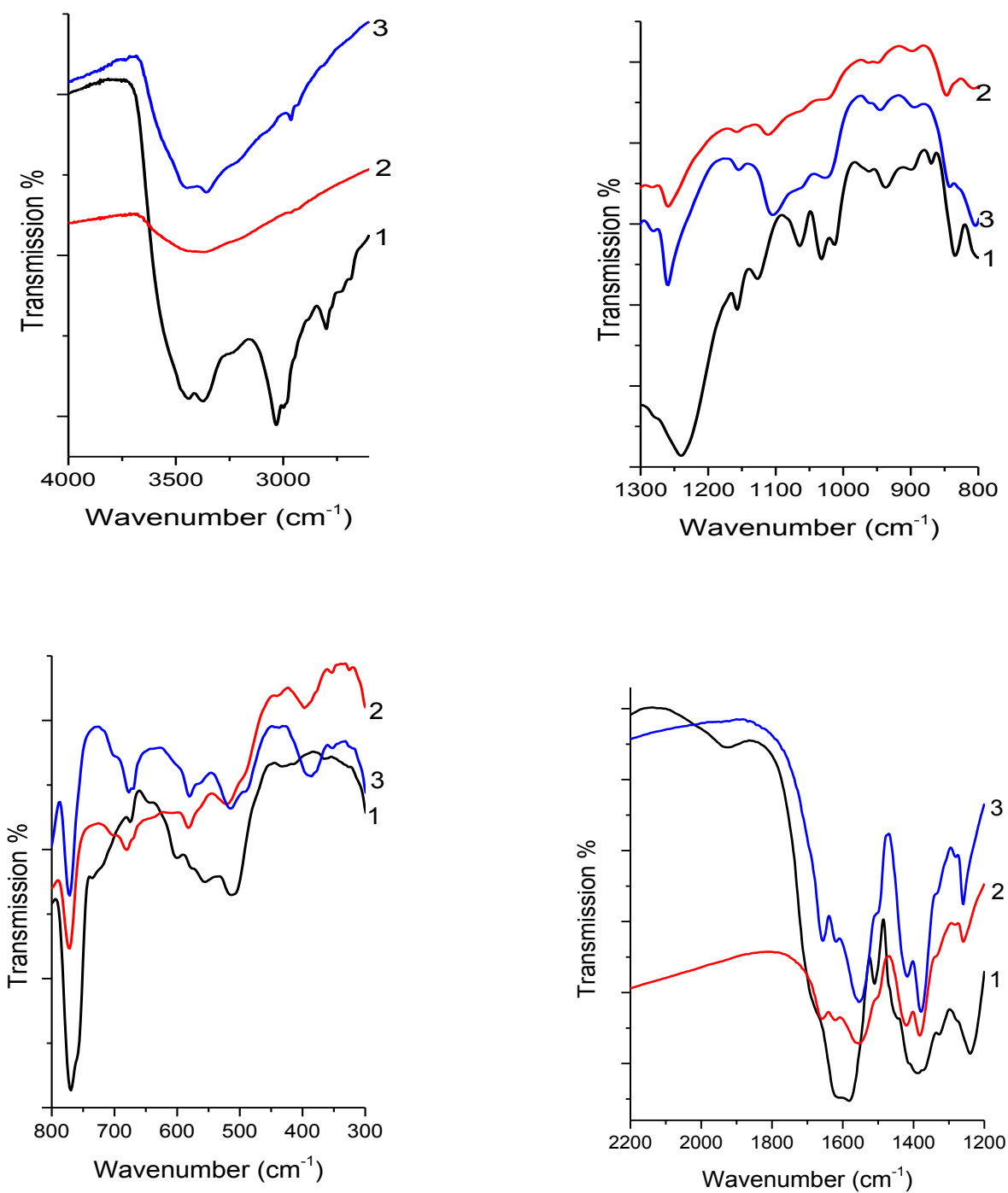


Fig. S40. FTIR spectra of (1) IRMOF-3-CA, (2) IRMOF-3-CA-Nd and (3) IRMOF-3-CA-Eu.

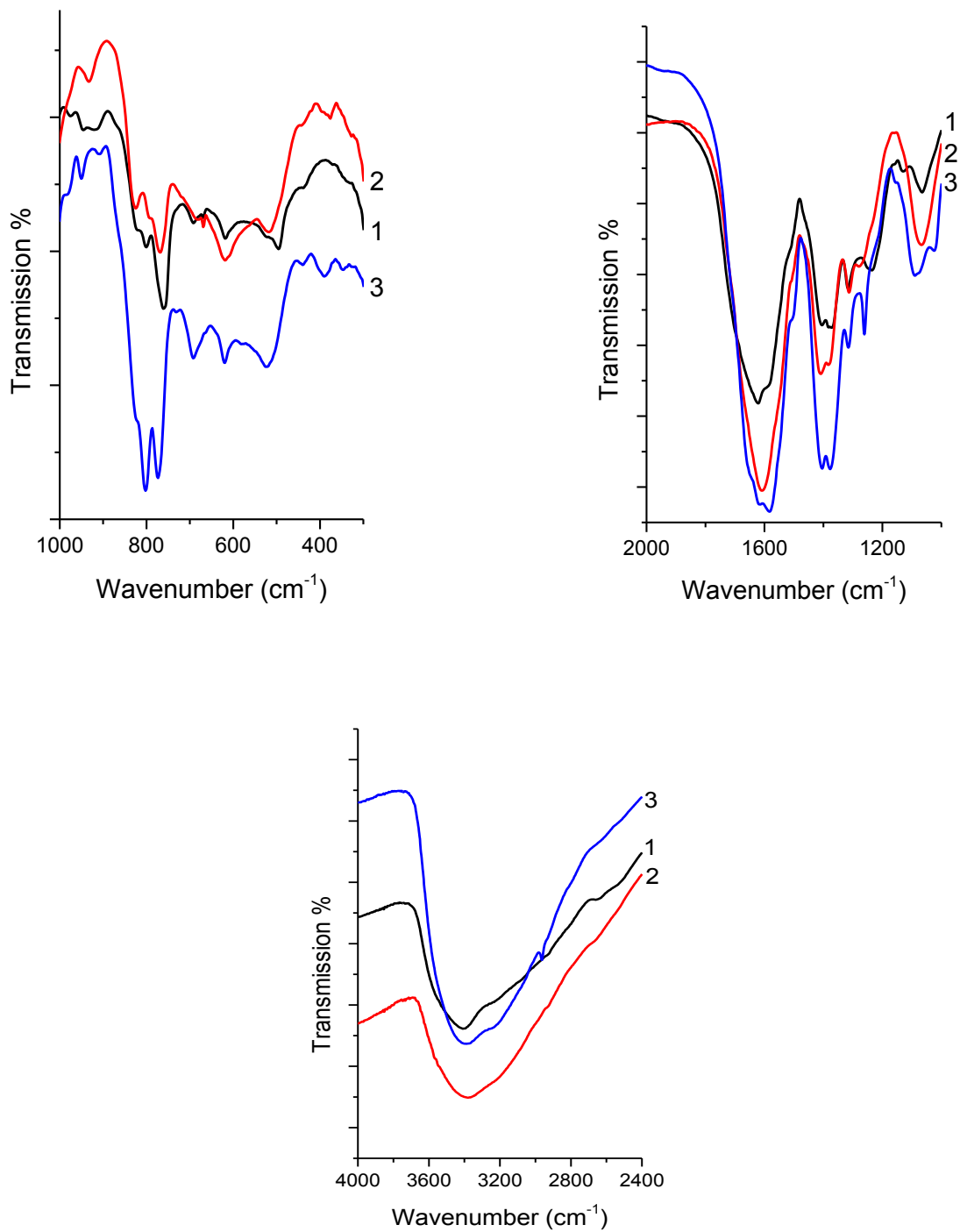


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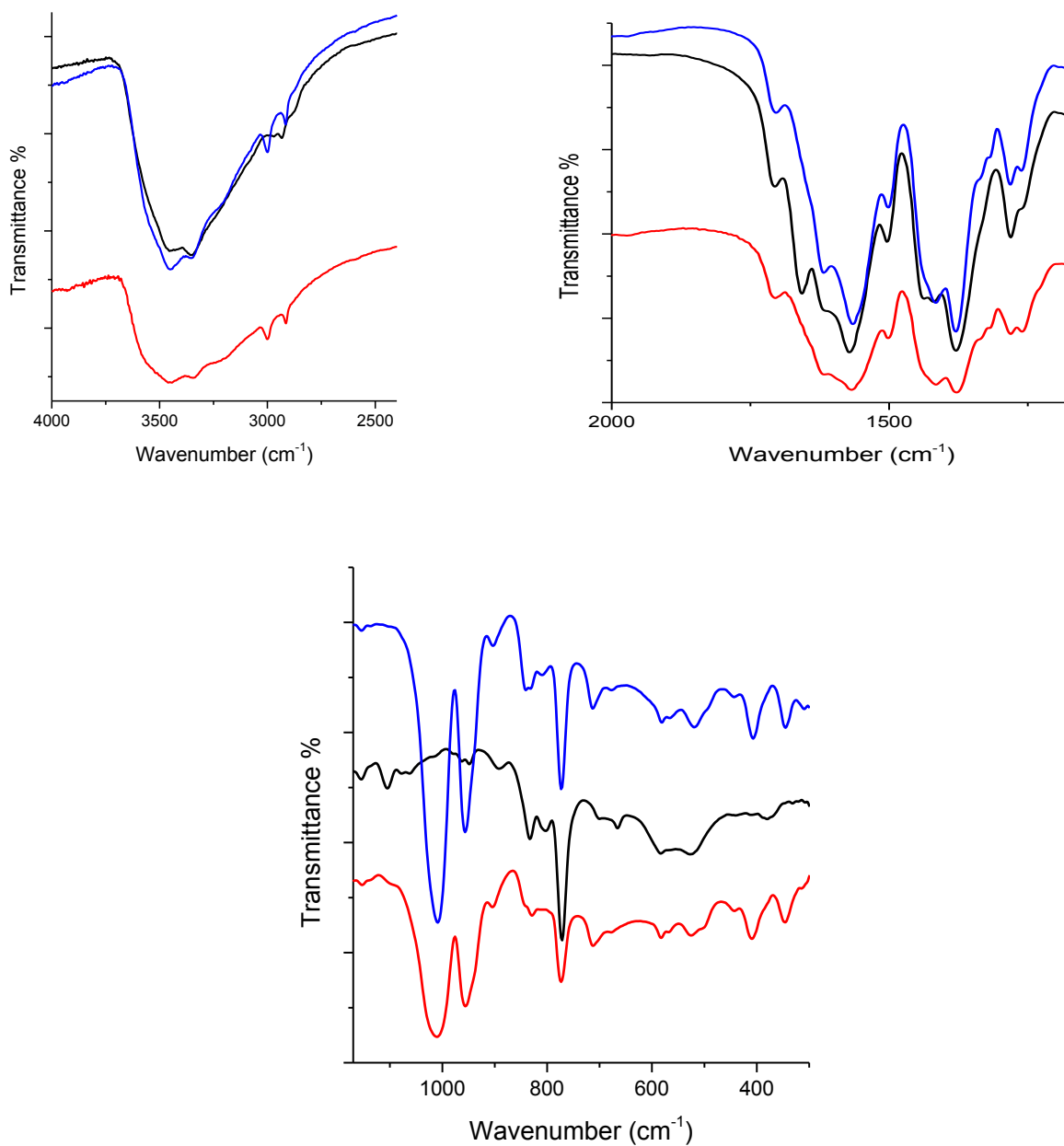


Fig. S42. FTIR spectra of IRMOF-3-MVK (black), Eu-IRMOF-3-MVK (red), and Nd-IRMOF-3-MVK (blue).

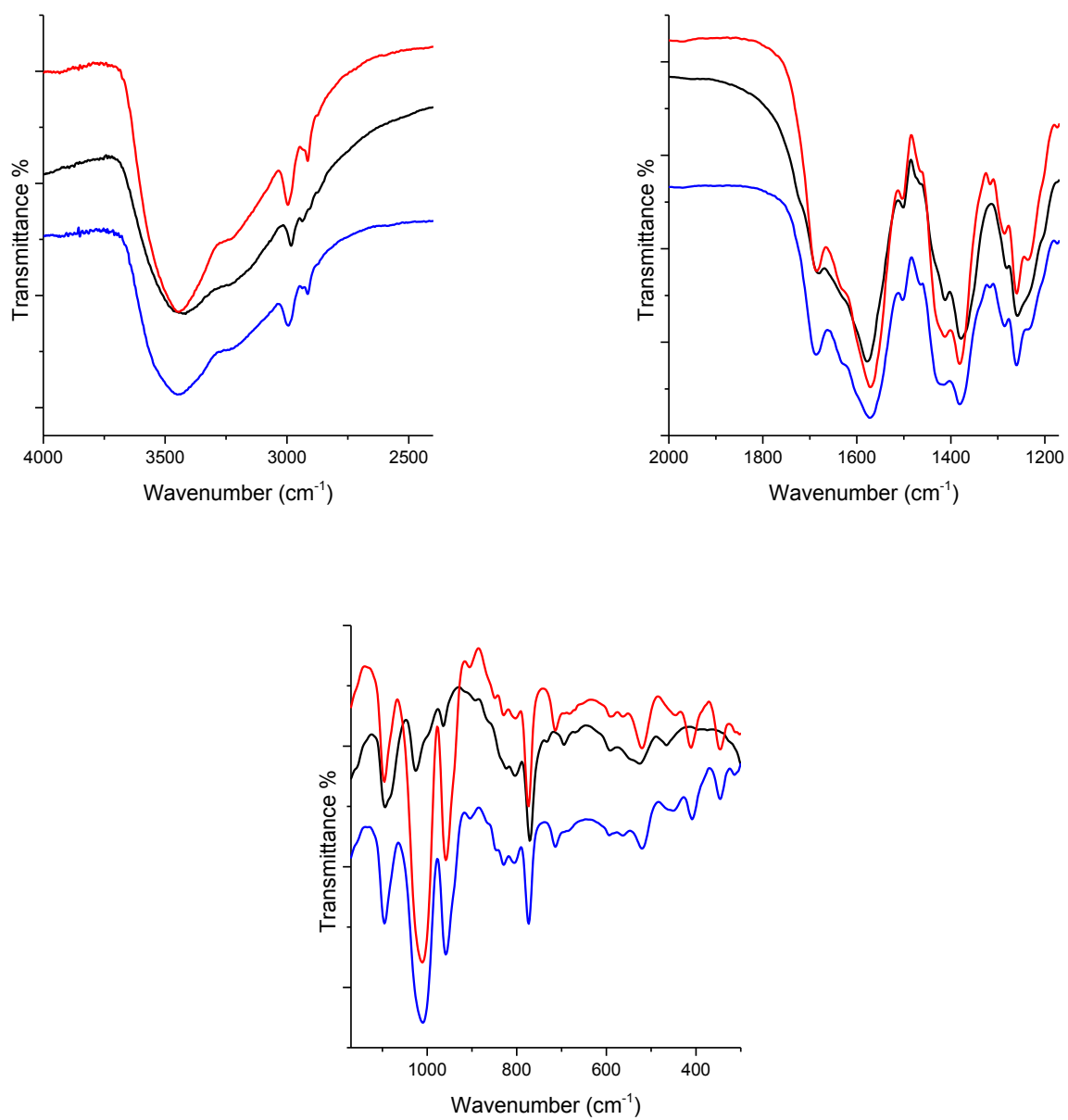


Fig. S43. FTIR spectra of IRMOF-3-EM (black), Eu-IRMOF-3-EM (red), and Nd-IRMOF-3-EM (blue).

5. Scanning Electron Microscopy

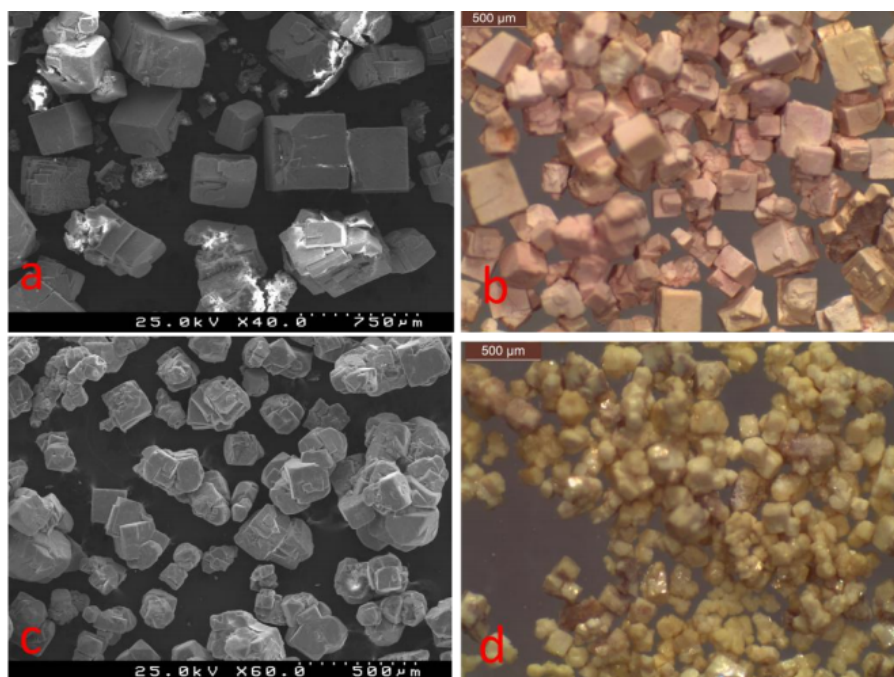


Fig. S44. SEM of: (a) Nd-IRMOF-3-CA, (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-GL, and optical microscopy photographs of (b) Nd-IRMOF-3-CA, (d) Nd-IRMOF-3-GL.

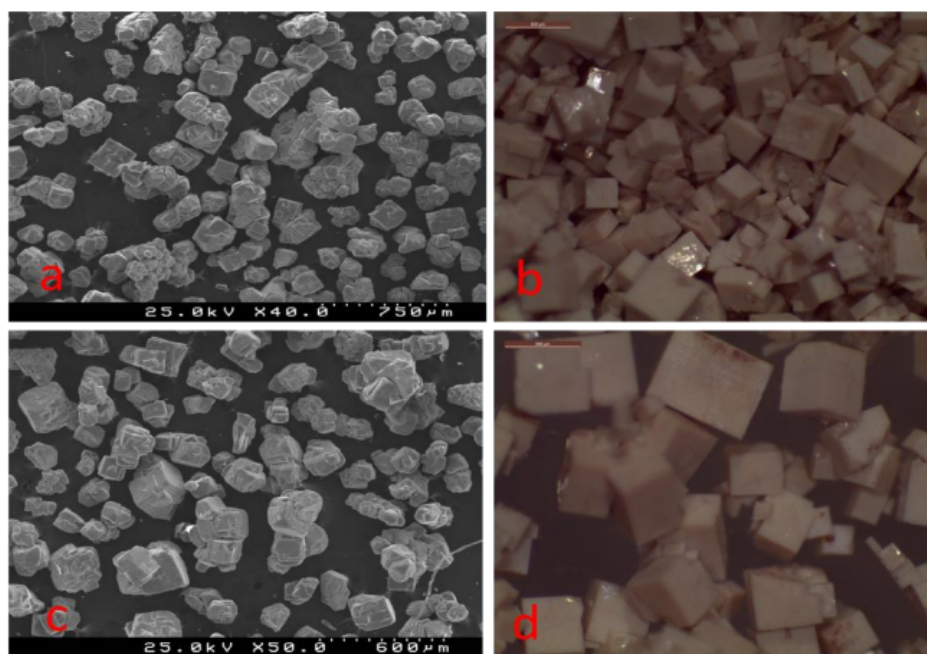


Fig. S45. SEM of: (a) Eu-IRMOF-3-CA, (c) Eu-IRMOF-3-GL, and optical microscopy photographs of (b) Eu-IRMOF-3-CA, (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-GL.

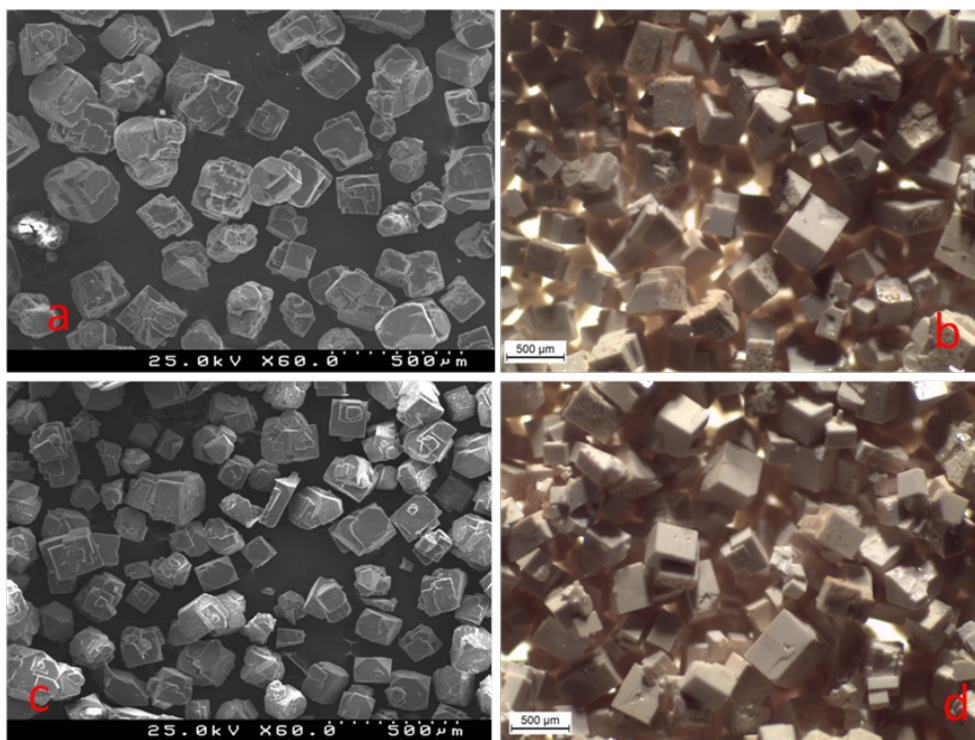


Fig. S46. SEM of: (a) Nd-IRMOF-3-MVK, (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-EM, and optical microscopy photographs of (b) Nd-IRMOF-3-MVK, (d) Nd-IRMOF-3-EM.

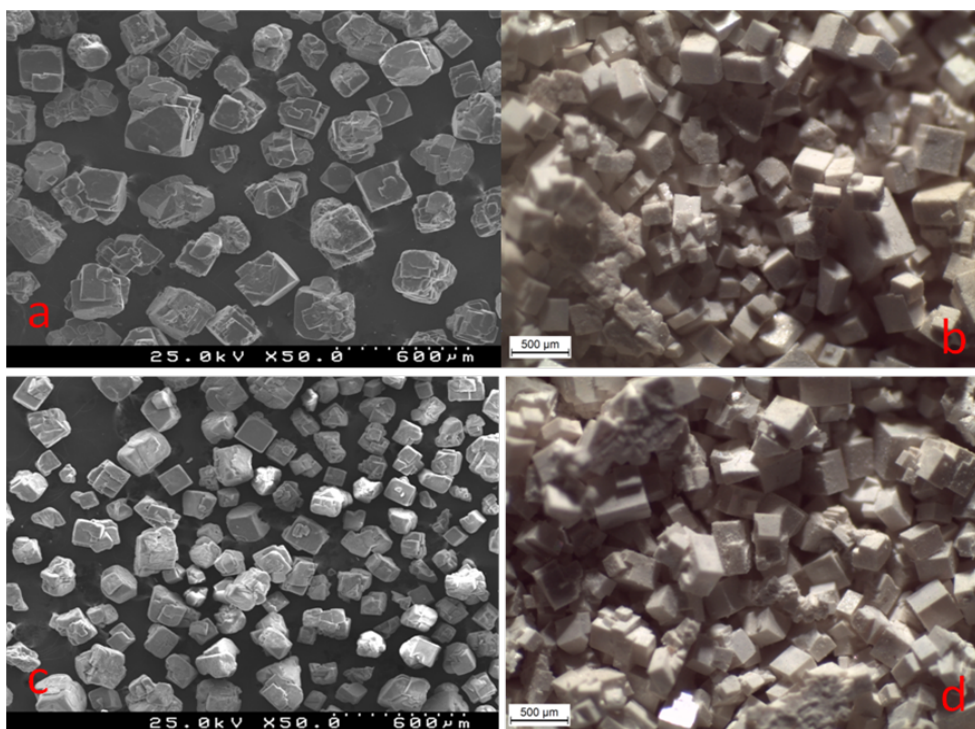


Fig. S47. SEM of: (a) Eu-IRMOF-3-MVK, (c) Eu-IRMOF-3-EM, and optical microscopy photographs of (b) Eu-IRMOF-3-MVK, (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-EM.

6. Photoluminescence spectroscopy

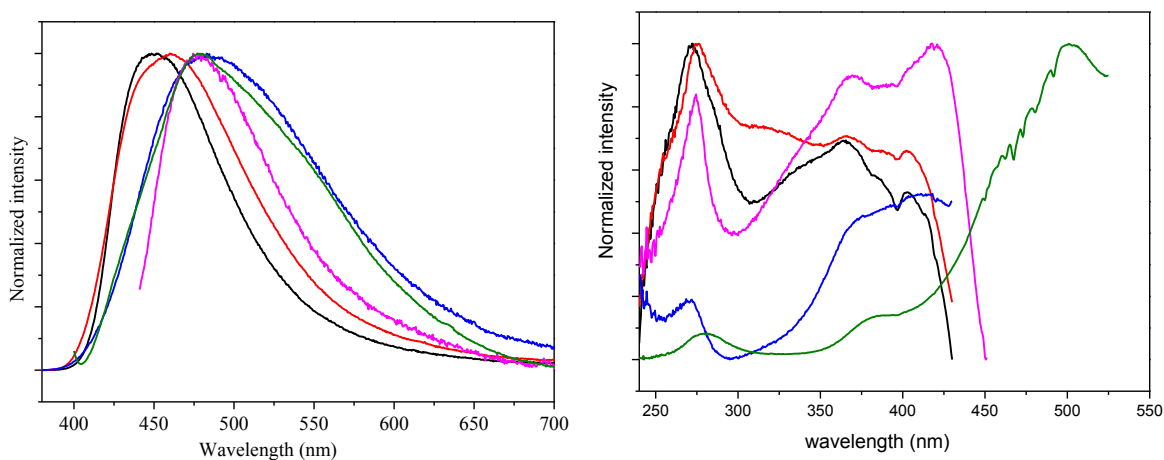


Fig. S48. Room-temperature (300 K) [left] emission spectra of IRMOF-3 (black) at 280 nm, IRMOF-3-GL (blue) at 280 nm, IRMOF-3-CA (red) at 280 nm, IRMOF-3-MVK (purple) at 421 nm and IRMOF-3-EM (green) at 385 nm; [right] excitation spectra of IRMOF-3 (black) at 450 nm, IRMOF-3-GL (blue) at 475 nm, IRMOF-3-CA (red) at 460 nm, IRMOF-3-MVK (purple) at 471 nm and IRMOF-3-EM (green) at 545 nm.

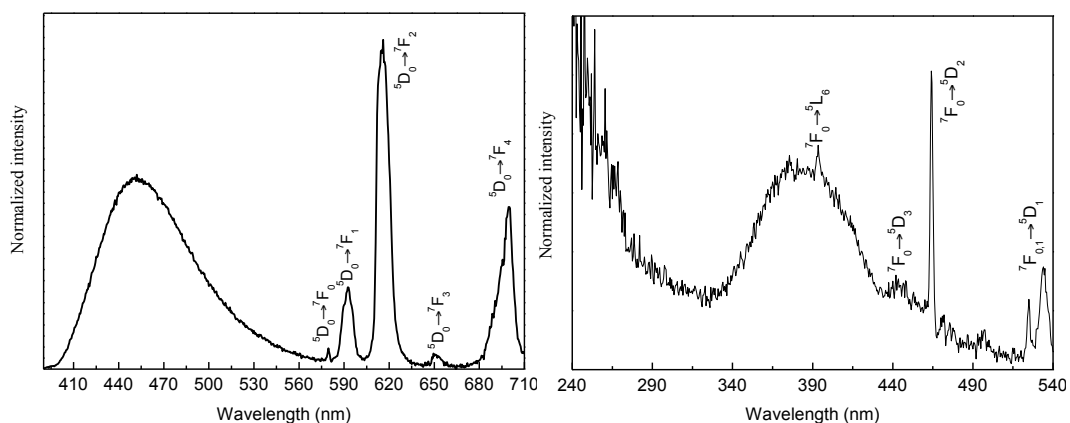


Fig. S49. Room temperature (300K) (left) emission at 370 nm and (right) excitation at 615 nm spectra of Eu-IRMOF-3-CA.

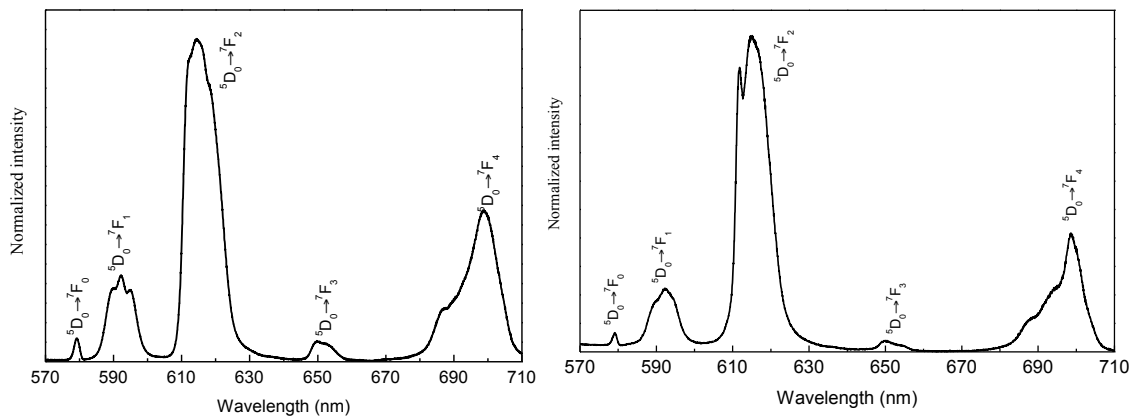
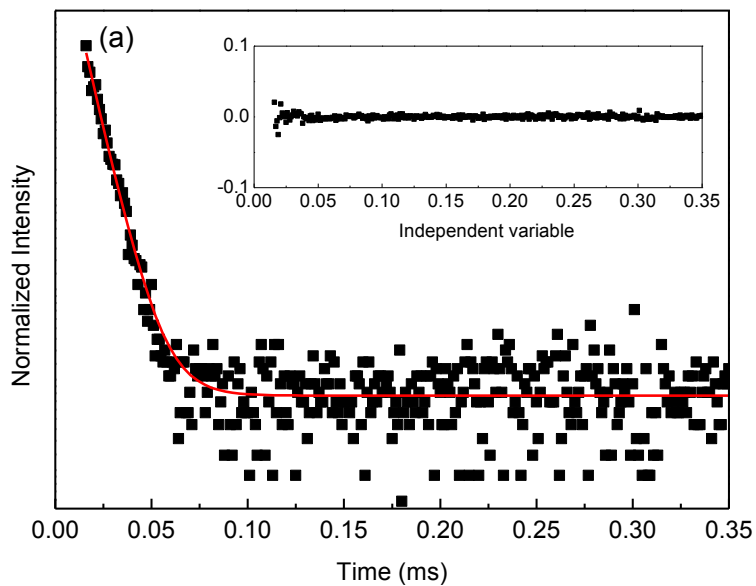


Fig.S50. High-resolution emission spectra (300K) of Eu-IRMOF-3-GL (left) excited at 430 nm and Eu-IRMOF-3-EM (right) excited at 375 nm.



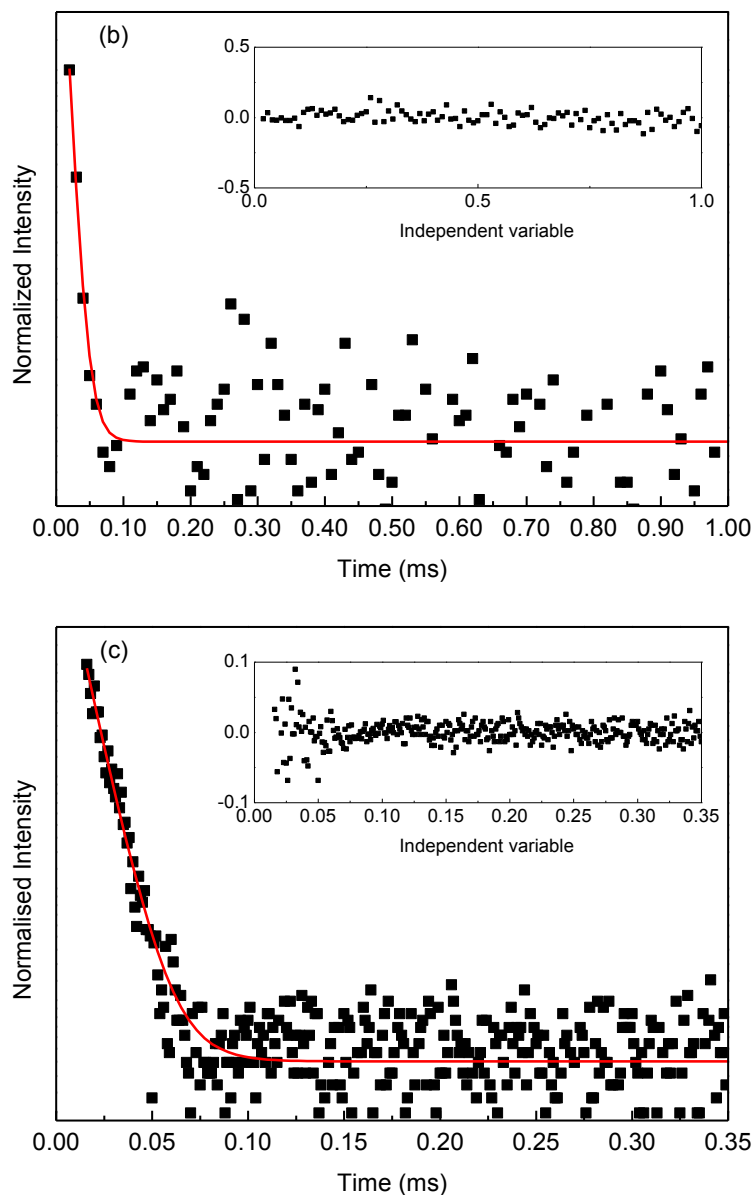
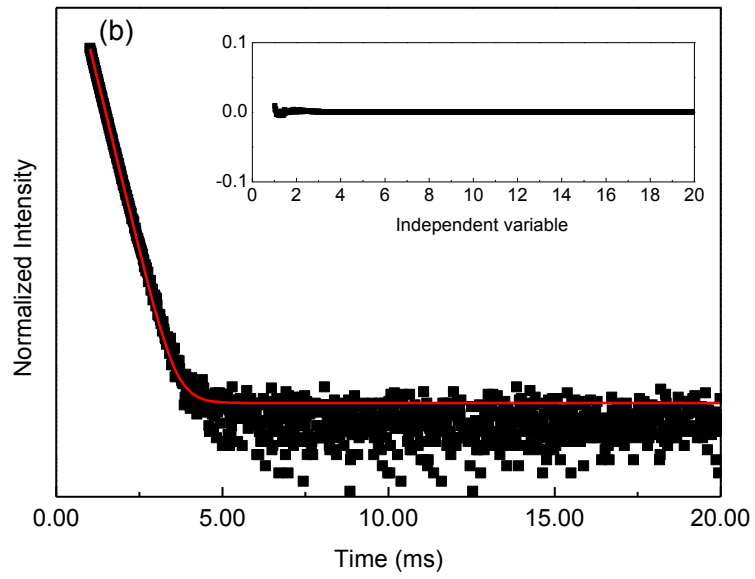
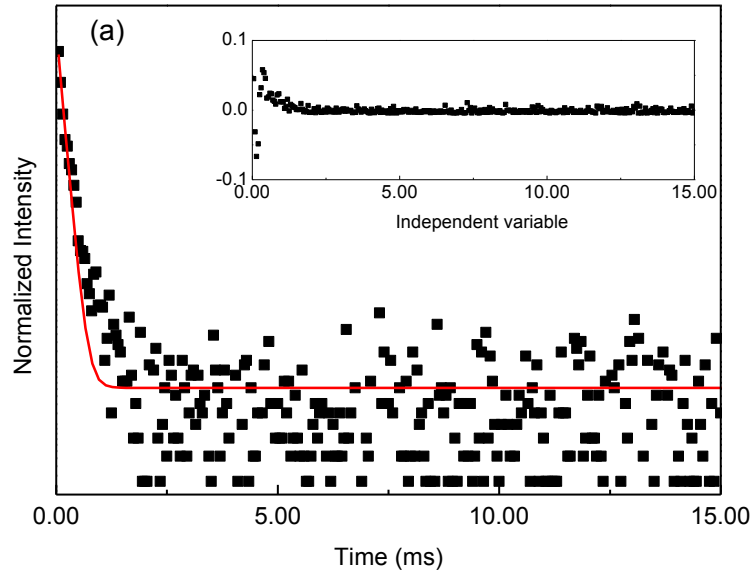


Fig. S51. Room temperature emission decay curves of (a) Nd-IRMOF-3-GL, (b) Nd-IRMOF-3-MVK and (c) Nd-IRMOF-3-CA monitored around 1064 nm and excited at (a, c) 365 nm and (b) 395 nm. The solid lines represent the data best fit ($R > 0.98$) to a single exponential function. The insets show the fit residual plot.



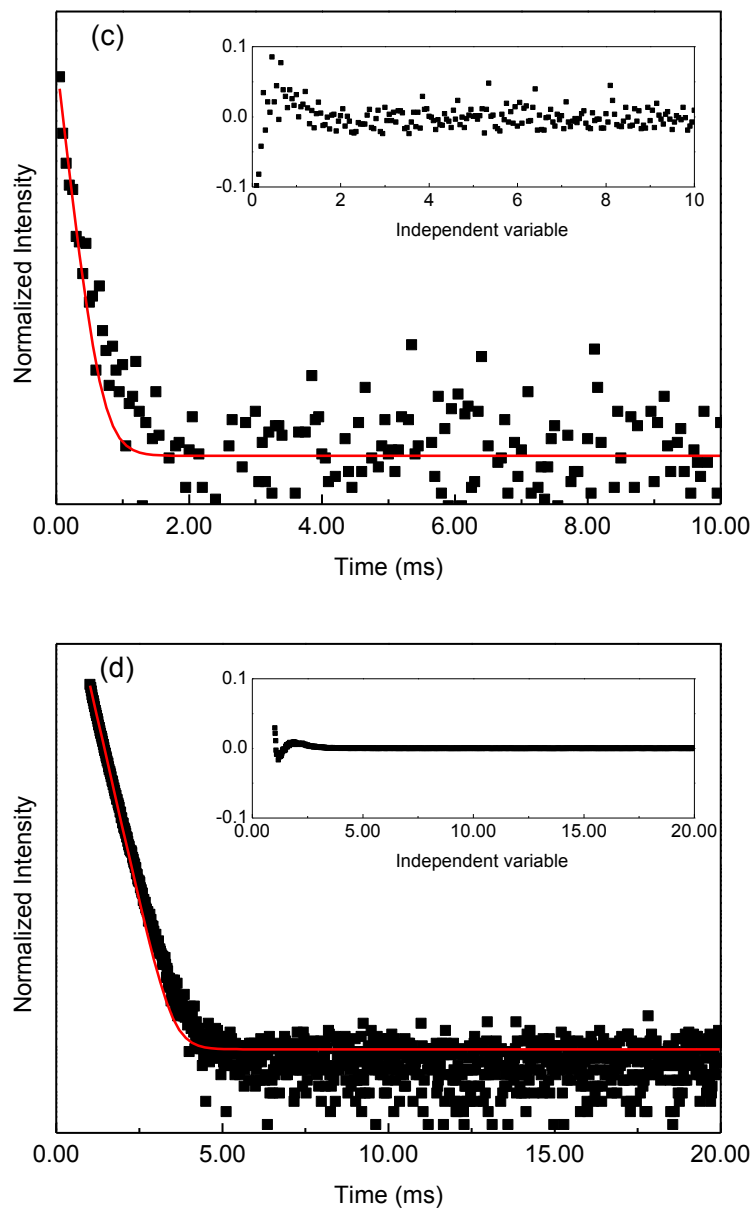


Fig. S52. Room-temperature emission decay curves of (a) Eu-IRMOF-3-GL, (b) Eu-IRMOF-3-MVK (355 nm), (c) Eu-IRMOF-3-CA and (d) Eu-IRMOF-3-EM monitored around 616 nm and excited at (a) 420 nm, (b, d) 355 nm, and (c) 380 nm. The solid lines represent the data best fit ($R > 0.98$) to a single exponential function. The insets show the fit residual plot.