

Supporting Information

A new strategy for achieving white-light-emission of lanthanide complexes: effective control of energy transfer from blue-emissive fluorophore to Eu(III) centres

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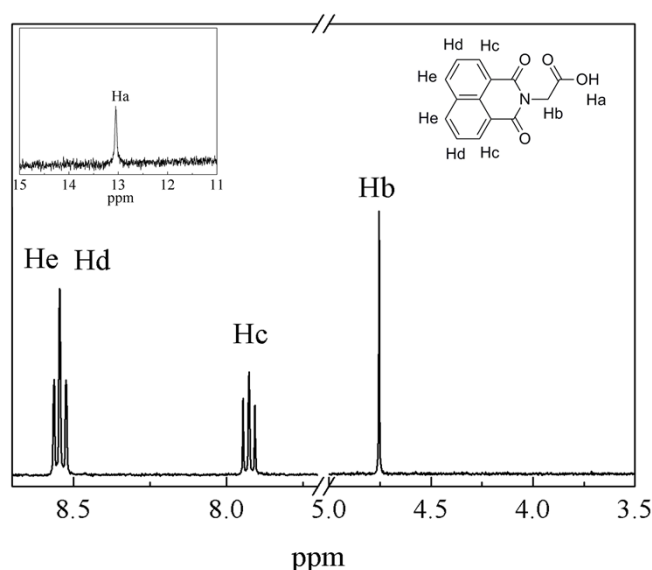


Fig. S1 400 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum of HL¹ in DMSO-*d*₆.

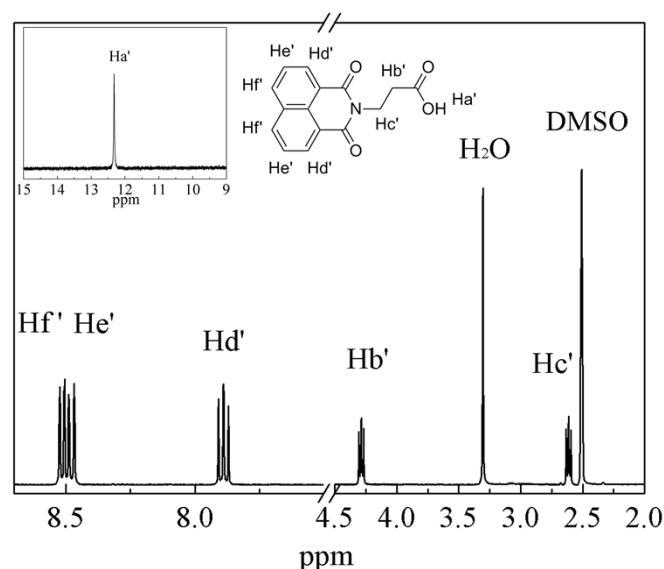


Fig. S2 400 MHz ¹H NMR spectrum of HL² in DMSO-*d*₆.

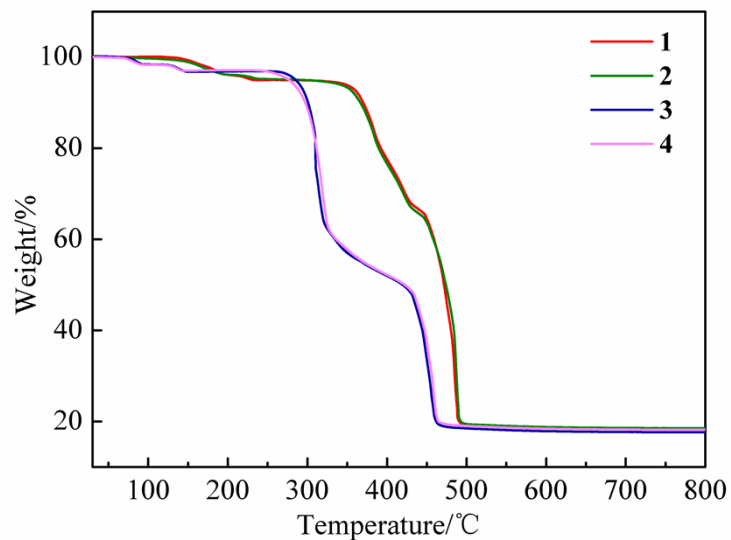


Fig. S3 Thermogravimetric curves of complexes **1–4**.

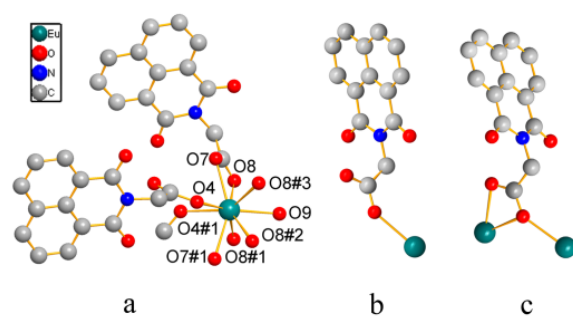


Fig. S4 (a) The coordination environment of the Eu(III) ion in **1**. (b) The $\mu_2\text{-}\eta^1$ coordination mode. (c) The $\mu_2\text{-}\eta^1\text{-}\eta^2$ coordination mode (Symmetry codes: #1: $-x, y, 1.5 - y$; #2: $-x, -y, 1 - y$; #3: $x, -y, 0.5 + y$).

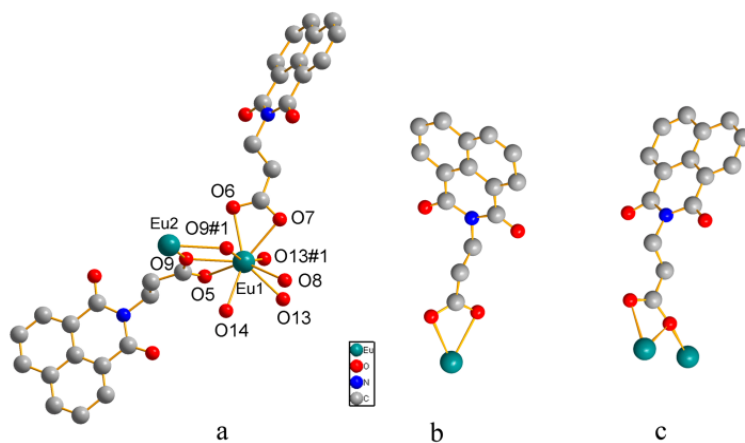


Fig. S5 (a) The coordination environment of the Eu(III) ion in **3**. (b) The $\mu_2\text{-}\eta^1\text{-}\eta^1$ coordination fashion. (c) The $\mu_2\text{-}\eta^1\text{-}\eta^2$ coordination fashion.

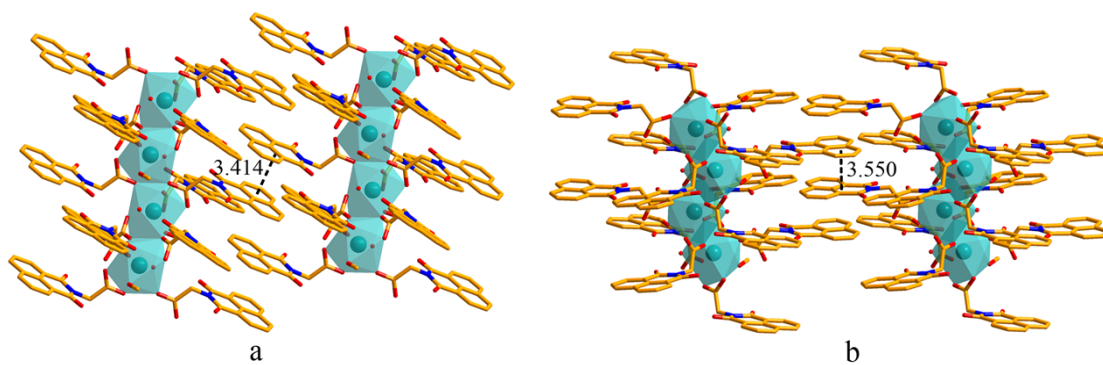


Fig. S6 The π - π stacking interactions in **1**: (a) along the $[1\ 1\ 0]$ direction; (b) along the $[0\ 1\ 0]$ direction.

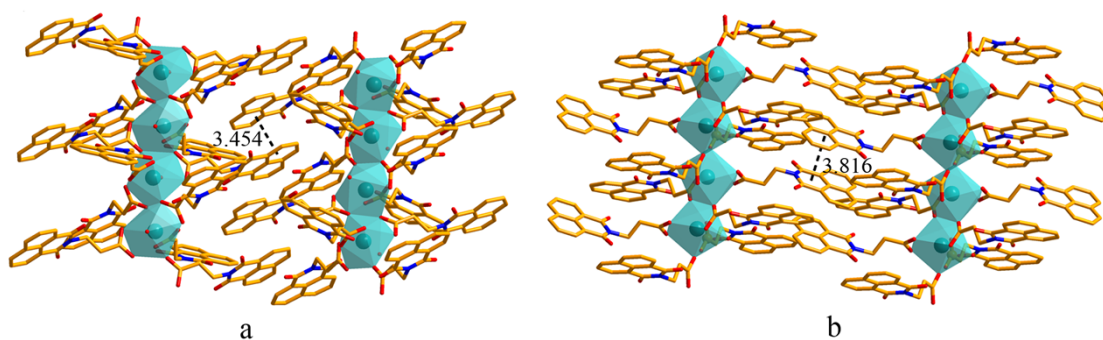


Fig. S7 The π - π stacking interactions in **3**: (a) along the $[0\ 1\ 1]$ direction; (b) along the $[0\ 1\ 0]$ direction.

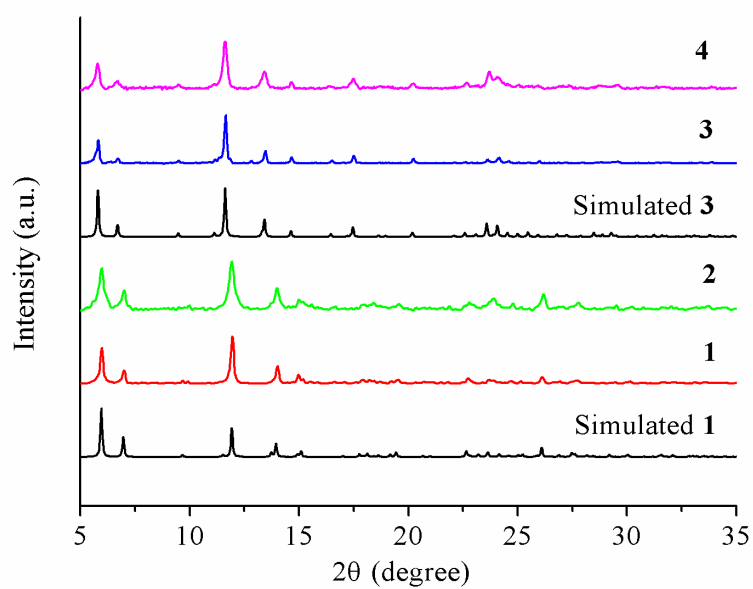


Fig. S8 Power XRD patterns of the complexes **1–4**.

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement information for complex **1** and **3**

Complexes	Complex 1	Complex 3
Formula	C ₄₃ H ₃₀ Eu N ₃ O ₁₄	C ₄₅ H ₃₄ Eu N ₃ O ₁₄
Formula weight	964.66	992.71
Shape	Rod-like	Rod-like
Color	white	white
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P2₁/c</i>
a(Å)	26.117(5)	8.0747(2)
b(Å)	18.276(4)	18.6500(7)
c(Å)	7.8689(16)	26.4469(10)
α(°)	90	90
β(°)	103.67(3)	94.391(3)
γ(°)	90	90
V(Å ³)	3649.5(13)	3971.0(2)
Z	4	4
ρ(g cm ⁻³)	1.756	1.660
μ(mm ⁻¹)	1.800	1.657
F(0 0 0)	1936	2000
θ range (°)	3.16-27.46	2.91-28.73
Reflections collected	6142	17552
Unique reflections	3533	8952
R _{int}	0.0252	0.0477
R ₁ , wR ₂ (I > 2σ(I)) (final)	0.0347, 0.0704	0.0925, 0.2521
R ₁ , wR ₂ (all data)	0.0457, 0.0760	0.1274, 0.2979
Goodness-of-fit (GOF) on F ²	1.078	1.094

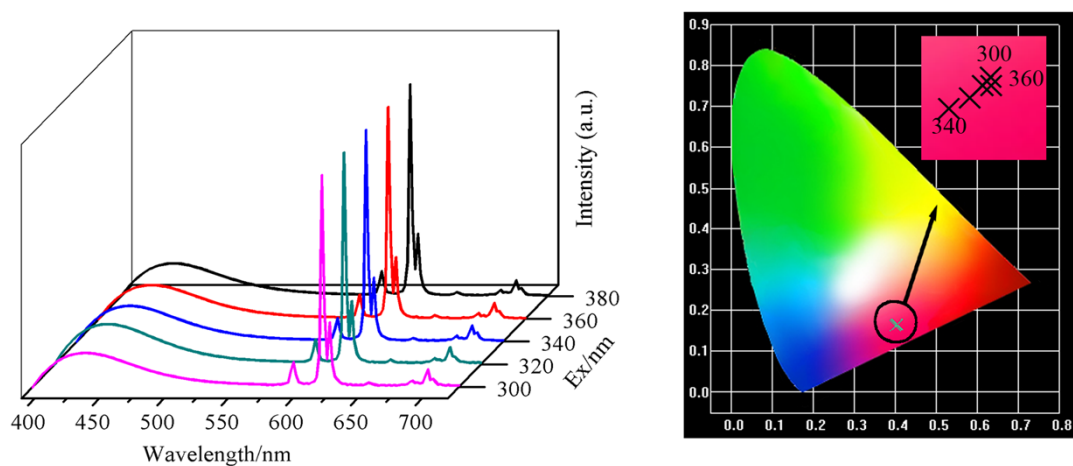


Fig. S9 Emission spectra and CIE coordinates of **1** at different excitation wavelengths.

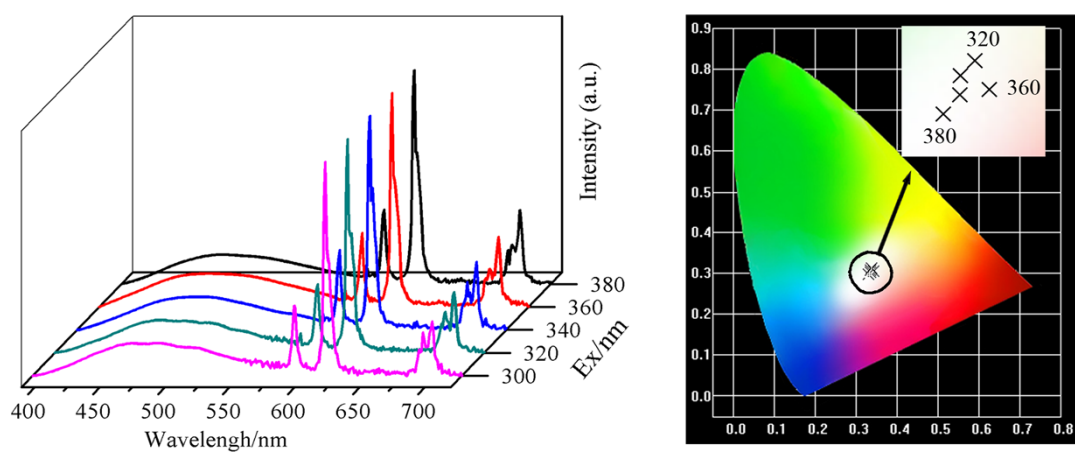


Fig. S10 Emission spectra and CIE coordinates of **3** at different excitation wavelengths.

Table S2 The CIE coordinate of **1** and **3** at excitation wavelengths 300–380 nm

Excitation wavelength (nm)	CIE coordinate (x, y)	
	1	3
300	0.404, 0.165	0.335, 0.302
320	0.402, 0.163	0.338, 0.312
340	0.400, 0.162	0.335, 0.308
360	0.403, 0.164	0.343, 0.304
380	0.404, 0.164	0.331, 0.293

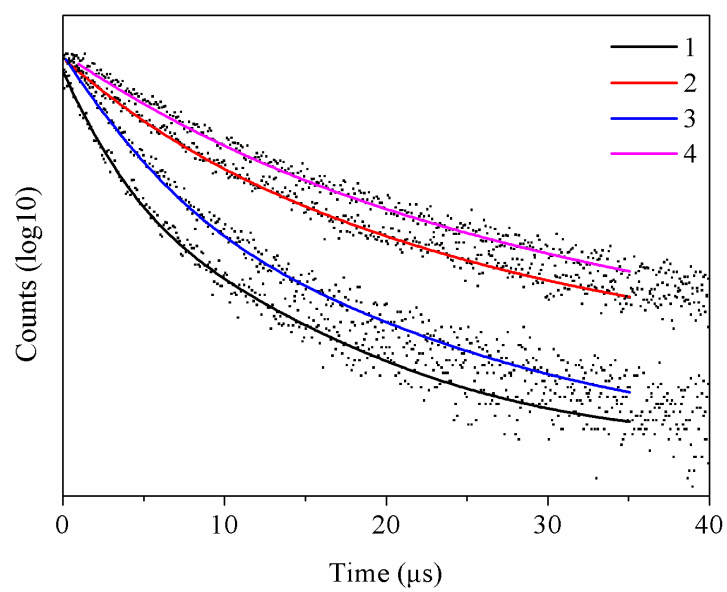


Fig. S11 Luminescence decay curves of the ligands in **1**, **2**, **3** and **4** monitored at 460 nm.

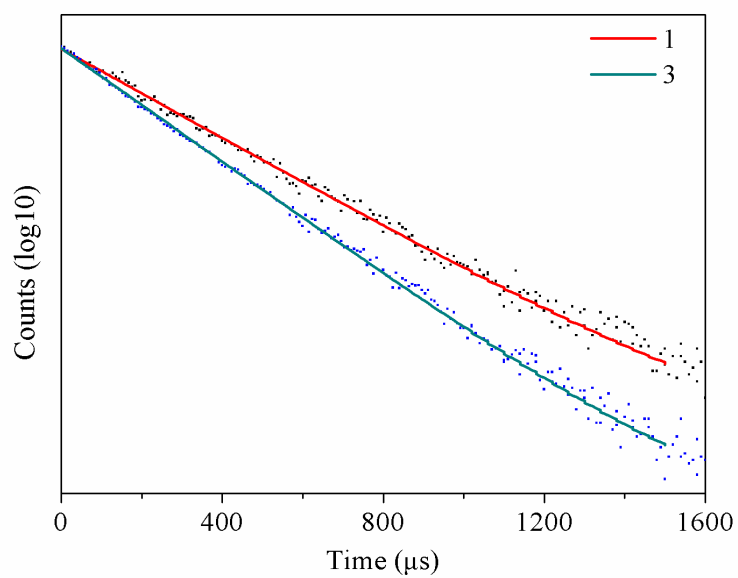


Fig. S12 Luminescence decay curves of the Eu(III) ions in **1** and **3** monitored at 614 nm.

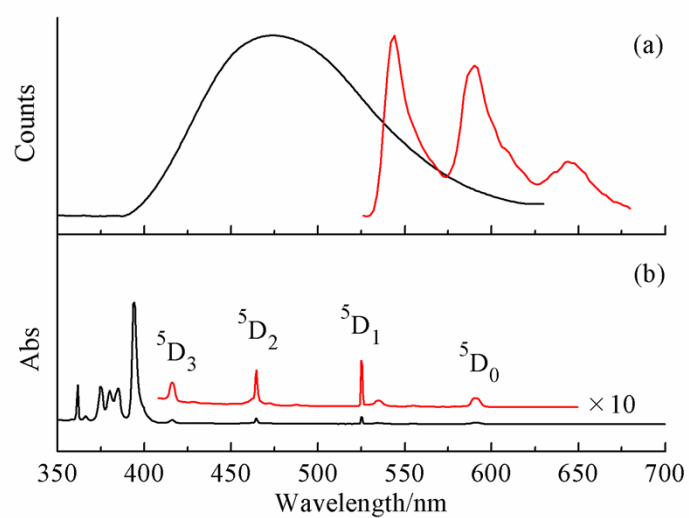


Fig. S13 (a) Emission spectrum of **2** at room temperature in the solid state (black line) and phosphorescence spectrum of HL¹ recorded at 77 K (red line). (b) UV/vis absorption spectrum of EuCl₃ in water.