

## **pH variation induced construction of a series of entangled frameworks based on bi- and trimetallic Cores as Nodes**

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Compound **1** :

IR (KBr pellet,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3440.45 (w), 2852.72 (s), 1625.96 (w), 1508.97 (m), 1443.64 (m), 1371.94 (m), 1230.61 (m), 1108.14 (s), 1063.86 (s), 1028.35 (s), 935.28 (s), 818.65 (m), 787.18 (m), 760.67 (m), 717.89 (m), 489.61 (w), 434.07 (w).

Compound **2** :

IR (KBr pellet,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3419.33 (m), 2922.07 (s), 2461.64 (s), 1640.16 (w), 1567.67 (m), 1508.99 (w), 1443.37 (w), 383.71 (w), 1229.77 (w), 1106.78 (m), 1041.89 (m), 932.67 (s), 873 (s), 814.51 (m), 760.19 (m), 719.51 (m), 607 (s).

Compound **3** :

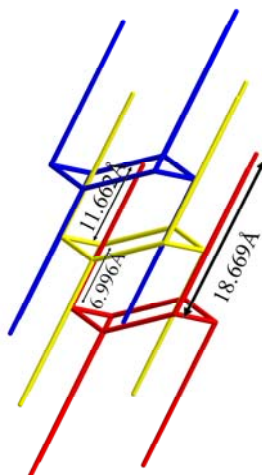
IR (KBr pellet,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3861 (w) 3744 (w), 2897 (s), 2854(s), 1562 (m), 1508 (m), 1449 (m), 1030 (s), 719 (m), 514 (m), 447 (m).

Compound **4** :

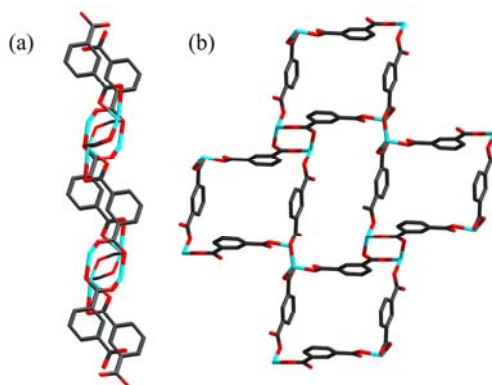
IR (KBr pellet,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3897.11 (s), 3648.56 (s), 3619.73 (s), 3860 (s), 1064.33 (m), 939.60 (m), 1739.20 (m), 1286.68 (m), 1113.04 (m), 1564.01 (w), 1645.65 (w), 1513.65 (w), 1678.71 (w), 773.23 (w).

Compound **5** :

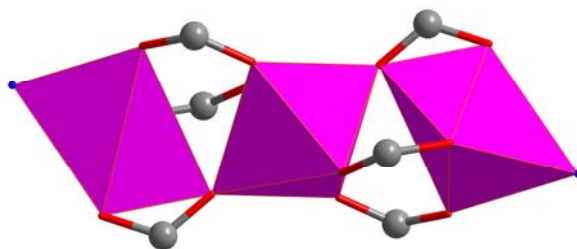
IR (KBr pellet,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3076.76 (s), 1708.49 (m), 1708.49 (m), 1625.27 (m), 1509.14 (s), 1423.96 s), 1219.55 (w), 1165.45 (m), 1107.12 (m), 1027.74 (m), 934.85 (w), 817.13 (w), 769.17 (w), 710.08 (w), 661.48 (w), 536.69 (w), 481.23 (w), 422.26 (w).



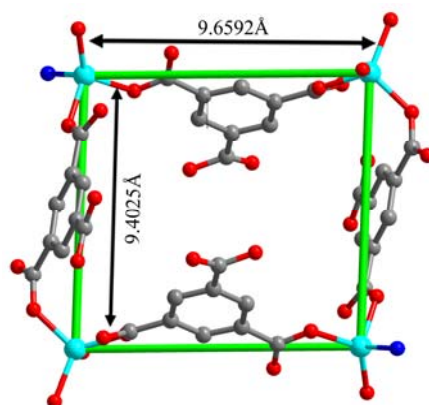
**Fig. S1** A schematic illustration of three cyclohexane conformation in the compound **2**.



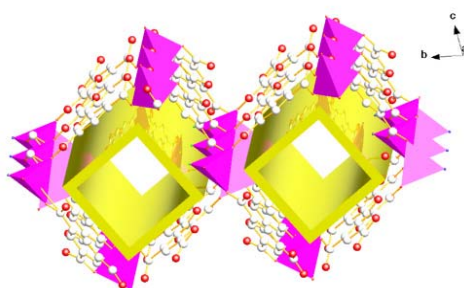
**Fig. S2** (a) Side and (b) front views of one Zn<sup>II</sup>-carboxylate layer with built from paddle-wheel shaped dinuclear Zn units in the bc plane.



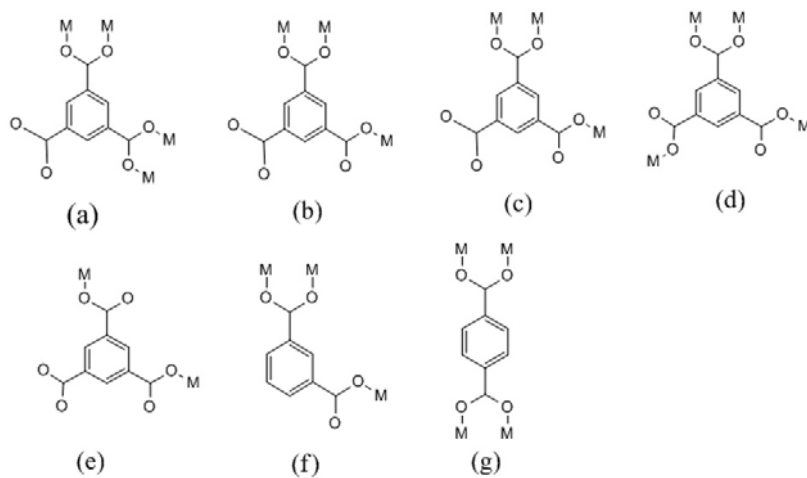
**Fig. S3** Schematic representation of inorganic SBU in the compound **4**.



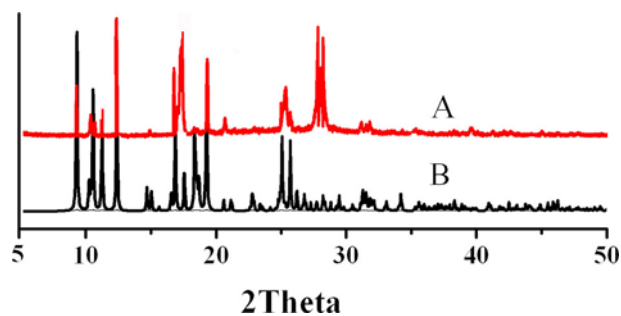
**Fig. S4** Schematic view of the squares in the compound **5**



**Fig. S5** Schematic representation of the tube structure in the compound **5**.

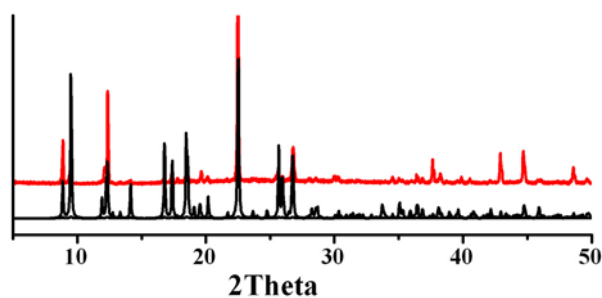


**Fig. S6** Coordination modes of aromatic carboxyl ligands in **1-5**



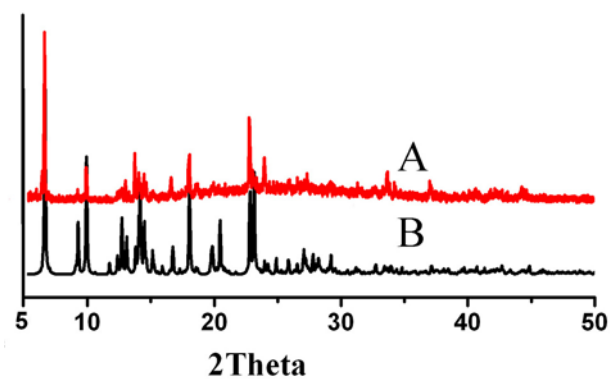
**Fig. S7** Simulated and experimental PXRD spectra of **1**: A as-synthesized; B

simulated.



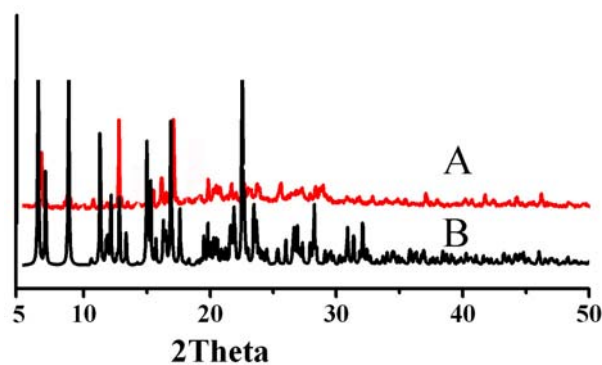
**Fig. S8** Simulated and experimental PXRD spectra of **2**: A as-synthesized; B

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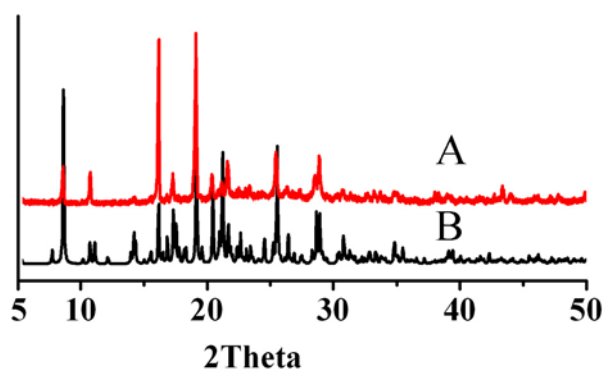
**Fig. S9** Simulated and experimental PXRD spectra of **3**: A as-synthesized; B

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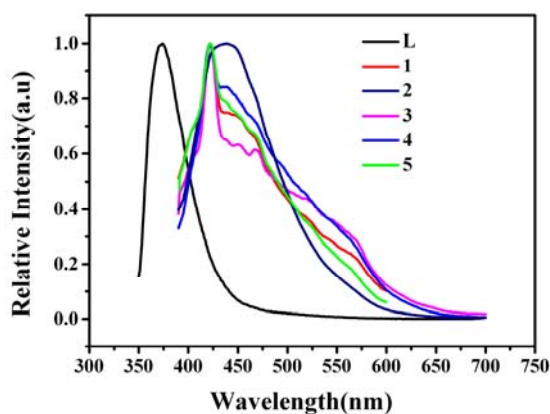


**Fig. S10** Simulated and experimental PXRD spectra of **4**: A as-synthesized; B

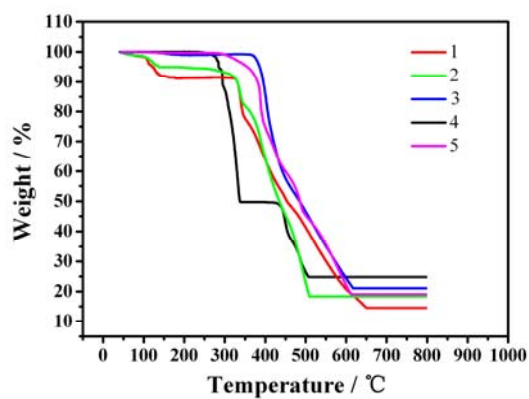
simulated.



**Fig. S11** Simulated and experimental PXRD spectra of **5**: A as-synthesized; B simulated.



**Fig. S12** Emission spectra of compounds **1**, **2**, **3**, **4**, **5** and **L** in the solid state at room temperature.



**Fig. S13** The TG curves of **1-5**

**Table S1** Crystal data and structure refinements for complexes **1-5**.

Complex	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Formula	$C_{54}H_{42}N_4O_{17}Zn_2$	$C_{36}H_{26}N_2O_{15}Zn_2$	$C_{34}H_{26}N_2O_{11}Zn_2$	$C_{42}H_{28}N_2O_{14}Zn_3$	$C_{36}H_{26}N_2O_{15}Zn_2$
Formula	1149.70	857.37	769.33	980.83	857.37

weight					
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$	$P2_1/c$	$C2/c$	$P\bar{1}$	$P\bar{1}$
$a/\text{Å}$	26.912(2)	8.359(3)	15.236(1)	10.253(1)	8.538(1)
$b/\text{Å}$	14.301(13)	16.453(12)	13.873(2)	10.665(3)	11.780(2)
$c/\text{Å}$	13.659(3)	25.367(4)	15.344(4)	10.740(1)	17.055(3)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90.	90	90.	94.601(13)	78.041(2)
$\beta/^\circ$	98.357(2)	94.624(3)	109.954(1)	113.788(1)	77.984(4)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90	90	90.	110.685(2)	78.729(12)
$V/\text{Å}^3$	5201(3)	3477(2)	3048.54	970.7(8)	1620.4
$Z$	4	4	1	1	2
$D_{\text{calcd.}}[\text{g cm}^{-3}]$	1.466	1.634	1.672	1.678	1.757
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	1.000	1.458	1.643	1.914	1.565
$F(000)$	2352	1736	1560.0	497.07	872
Observed					
reflection/unique	30392/11709	20935/8174	8663/3279	5913/4307	9855/7185
$R_{\text{int}}$	0.1622	0.0346	0.0317	0.0181	0.0213

**Table S2** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for complexes **1-5<sup>a</sup>**

Complex 1			
Zn(2)-N(1)	2.044(12)	Zn(1)-N(3)	2.025(11)
Zn(1)-O(1)	2.036(10)	Zn(2)-O(2)	2.049(11)
Zn(2)-O(3)A	2.107(11)	Zn(1)-O(4) A	2.045(10)
Zn(2)-O(5)	2.024(10)	Zn(1)-O(7)	2.078(11)
Zn(2)-O(8)	2.038(10)	N(3)-Zn(1)-O(6)	95.6(5)
N(3)-Zn(1)-O(1)	102.0(5)	O(6)-Zn(1)-O(1)	161.1(4)
N(3)-Zn(1)-O(4)A	111.7(5)	O(6)-Zn(1)-O(4)A	91.4(5)
O(1)-Zn(1)-O(4)A	88.5(4)	N(3)-Zn(1)-O(7)	94.5(5)
O(6)-Zn(1)-O(7)	85.5(5)	O(1)-Zn(1)-O(7)	86.2(5)

O(7)-Zn(1)-O(4)A	153.7(4)	O(5)-Zn(2)-O(8)	90.5(4)
O(5)-Zn(2)-N(1)	105.9(5)	O(8)-Zn(2)-N(1)	103.2(5)
O(5)-Zn(2)-O(2)	156.3(4)	O(8)-Zn(2)-O(2)	93.1(5)
N(1)-Zn(2)-O(2)	96.1(5)	O(5)-Zn(2)-O(3)A	85.6(5)
O(8)-Zn(2)-O(3)A	161.9(4)	N(1)-Zn(2)-O(3)A	94.8(5)
O(2)-Zn(2)-O(3)A	83.7(5)		
<b>Complex 2</b>			
Zn(1)-O(4)A	1.951(3)	Zn(2)-O(6)A	1.945(3)
Zn(1)-N(1)	2.030(3)	Zn(1)-O(3)	1.982(3)
Zn(2)-O(5)	1.966(3)	Zn(2)-O(8)B	2.000(3)
Zn(1)-O(13)	2.076(3)	Zn(2)-O(14)	1.937(3)
Zn(1)-O(4)A	1.951(3)	O(4)A-Zn(1)-O(3)	134.82(12)
O(4)A-Zn(1)-N(1)	116.82(12)	O(3)-Zn(1)-N(1)	105.78(13)
O(4)A-Zn(1)-O(13)	102.00(13)	O(3)-Zn(1)-O(13)	92.97(13)
N(1)-Zn(1)-O(13)	88.65(11)	O(14)-Zn(2)-O(6)A	110.48(15)
O(14)-Zn(2)-O(5)	119.55(13)	O(6)A-Zn(2)-O(5)	96.21(14)
O(14)-Zn(2)-O(8)B	101.85(12)	O(6)A-Zn(2)-O(8)B	101.41(12)
O(5)-Zn(2)-O(8)B	125.19(13)		
<b>Complex 3</b>			
Zn(1)-O(2)	1.952(3)	Zn(1)-O(7)A	1.977(2)
Zn(1)-O(3)B	1.976(2)	Zn(1)-N(1)	2.025(3)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(7)A	108.40(12)	O(2)-Zn(1)-O(3)B	100.05(11)
O(7)A-Zn(1)-O(3)B	122.01(11)	O(2)-Zn(1)-N(1)	132.97(13)
O(7)A-Zn(1)-N(1)	99.41(11)	O(3)B-Zn(1)-N(1)	96.07(11)
<b>Complex 4</b>			
Zn(1)-O(2)	2.0738(17)	Zn(1)-O(3)A	2.084(2)
Zn(1)-O(5)	2.150(2)	Zn(2)-O(6)	1.930(2)
Zn(2)-O(1)	1.9342(18)	Zn(2)-O(4)	1.979(2)
Zn(2)-N(1)	2.047(2)	O(2)-Zn(1)-O(2)A	180.00(10)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(3)A	88.74(7)	O(2)A-Zn(1)-O(3)A	91.26(7)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(5)	94.90(8)	O(2)A-Zn(1)-O(5)	85.10(8)

O(3)A-Zn(1)-O(5)	91.67(8)	O(3)-Zn(1)-O(5)	88.33(8)
O(2)A-Zn(1)-O(5)A	94.90(8)	O(6)-Zn(2)-O(1)	117.39(9)
O(6)-Zn(2)-O(4)	104.45(9)	O(1)-Zn(2)-O(4)	128.21(9)
O(6)-Zn(2)-N(1)	110.30(9)	O(1)-Zn(2)-N(1)	91.31(8)
O(4)-Zn(2)-N(1)	101.90(9)		
<b>Complex 5</b>			
Zn(1)-N(1)	2.046(3)	Zn(1)-O(4)	1.943(3)
Zn(2)-O(7)	1.913(3)	Zn(2)-O(8)	1.952(3)
Zn(1)-O(11)	1.979(2)	Zn(1)-O(14)	1.919(3)
Zn(2)-O(13)	1.945(3)	Zn(2)-O(1W)	1.977(3)
O(14)-Zn(1)-O(4)	124.29(11)	O(14)-Zn(1)-O(11)	114.24(12)
O(4)-Zn(1)-O(11)	101.57(12)	O(14)-Zn(1)-N(1)	110.88(12)
O(4)-Zn(1)-N(1)	100.38(12)	O(11)-Zn(1)-N(1)	102.70(12)
O(7)-Zn(2)-O(13)	104.83(13)	O(7)-Zn(2)-O(8)	114.79(13)
O(13)-Zn(2)-O(8)	103.92(12)	O(7)-Zn(2)-O(1W)	118.43(13)
O(13)-Zn(2)-O(1W)	103.84(13)	O(8)-Zn(2)-O(1W)	109.23(12)

<sup>a</sup>Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: for **1**: A, x, 0.5-y, 0.5+z. for **2**: A, -x, 0.5 + y, 1.5-z; B, -x, -y, 1-z. for **3**: A, -1-x, -y, 1-z; B, x, -y, -0.5+z. for **4**: A, -x, 1-y, -z. for **5**: A, 2-x, 1-y, -z.

**Table S3** Distances (Å) and Angles (°) of Hydrogen bonds for compound **5**.

D-H...A	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	∠D-H...A
O(1W)-H(A)-O8A	1.87(2)	2.705(4)	175(4)
O(1W)-H(B)-O18B	1.93(3)	2.675(5)	148(5)

Symmetry codes: A, -x, 2-y, 1-z; B, -1+x, y, z.