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**Dramatic Luminescence Signal from a Co(II) based Metal Organic
Compound due to Construction of Charge Transfer Bands with Al³⁺ and Fe³⁺
ions in Water: Steady State and Time Resolved Spectroscopic Studies**

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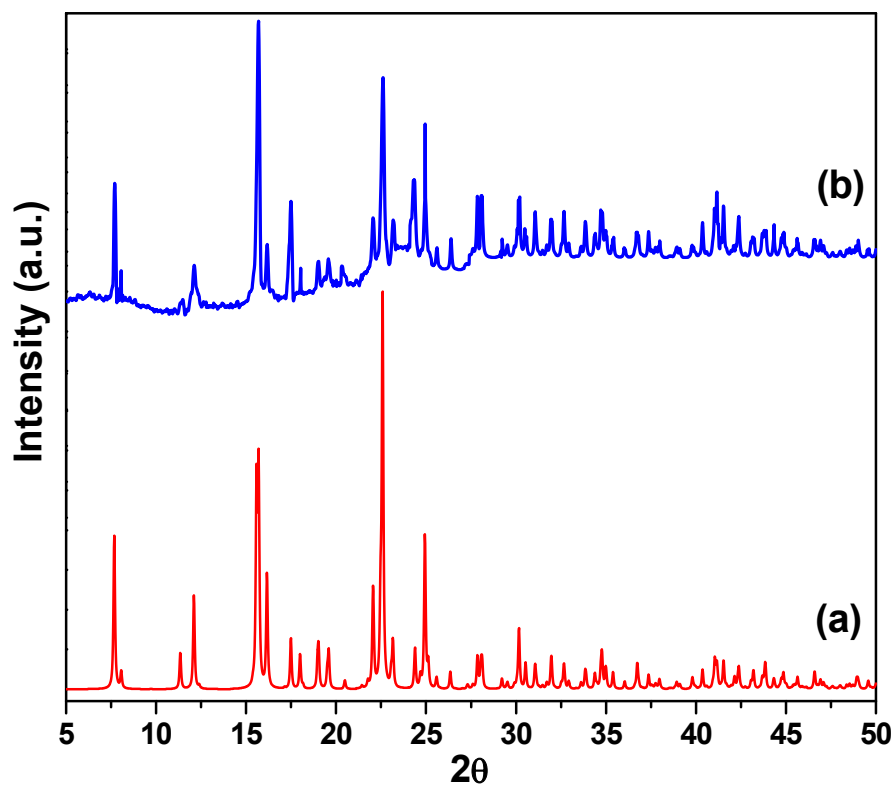


Fig. S1. Powder XRD ($\text{CuK}\alpha$) patterns of $[\text{Co}(\text{bpds})(\text{bdc})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2].\text{bpds}$, **1**: (a) simulated from single crystal X-ray data, (b) experimental.

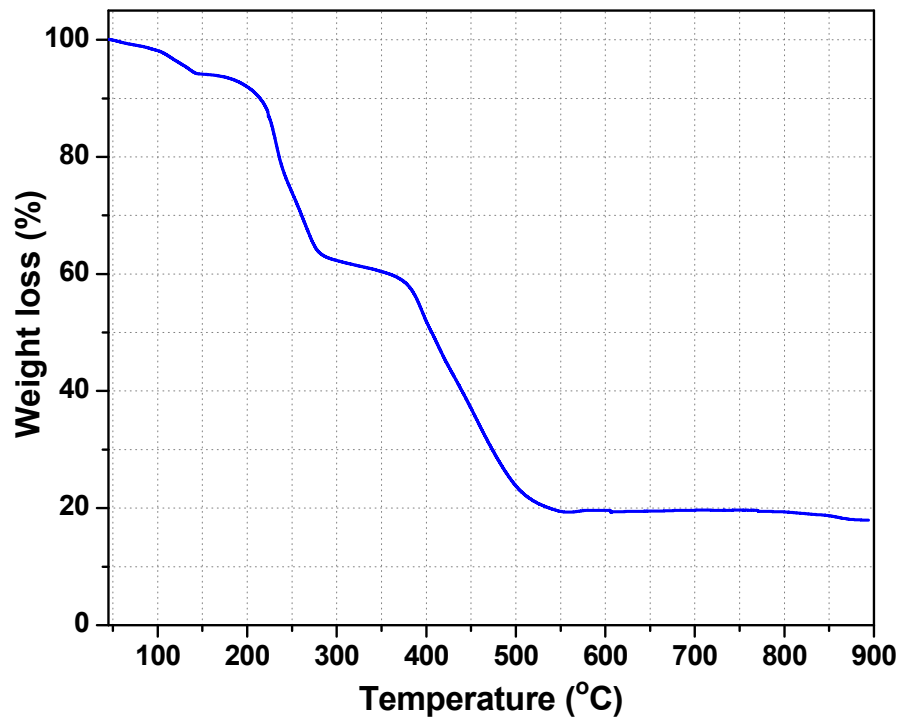


Fig. S2. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) data of [Co(bpds)(bdc)(H₂O)₂].bpds, **1**, in nitrogen atmosphere. The plot shows % weight loss of **1** with increase in temperature.

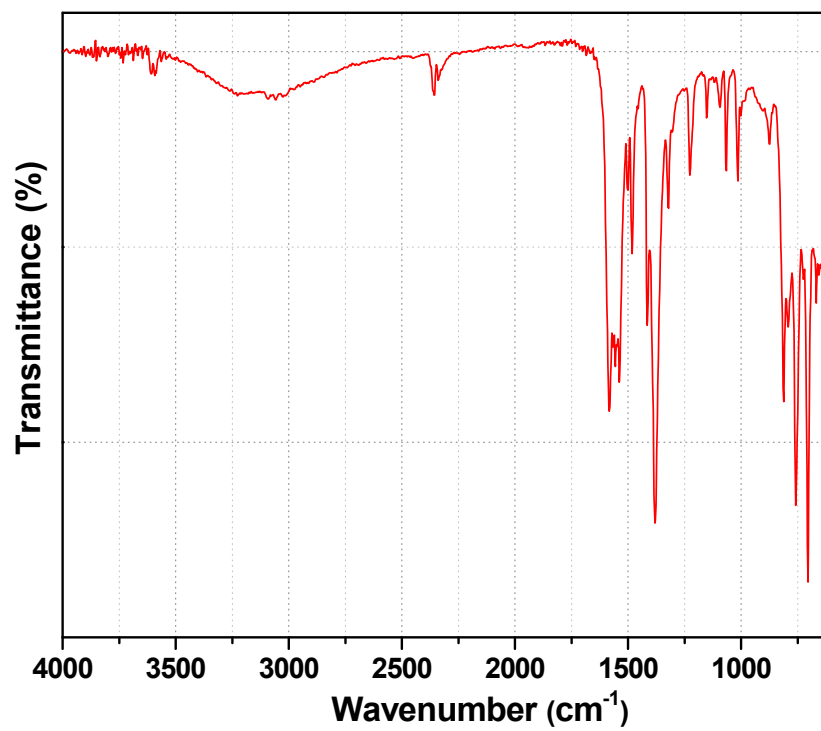


Fig. S3. IR spectrum of $[\text{Co}(\text{bpds})(\text{bdc})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot\text{bpds}$, 1.

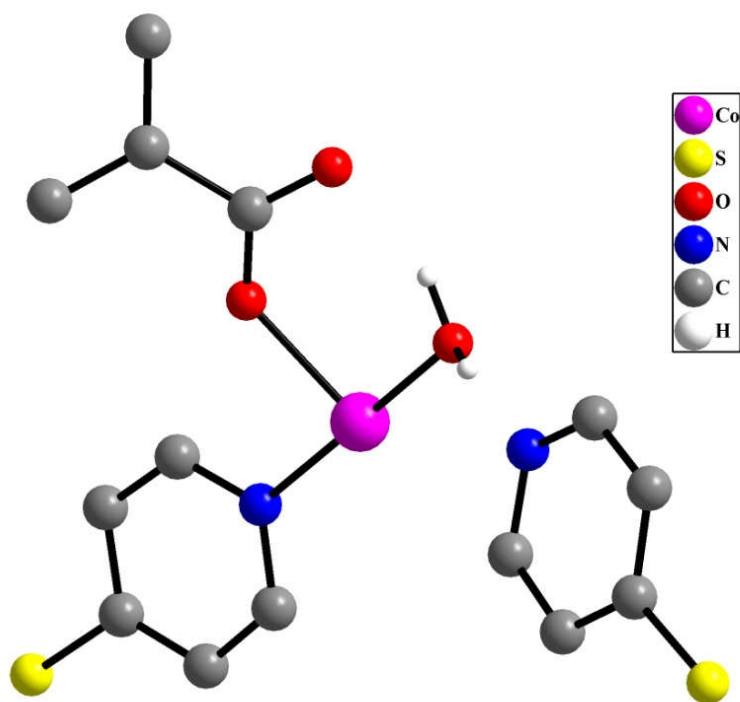


Fig. S4. Figure shows asymmetric unit in the structure of $[\text{Co}(\text{bpds})(\text{bdc})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot\text{bpds}$, **1**.

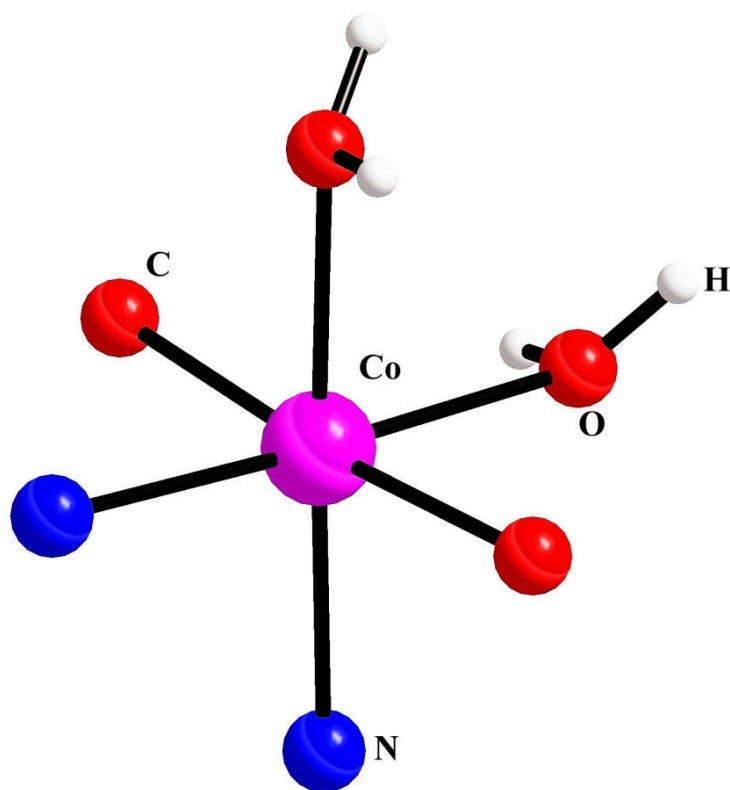


Fig. S5. Figure shows the octahedral coordination around Co^{2+} ion in $[\text{Co}(\text{bpds})(\text{bdc})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot\text{bpds}$, **1**.

Table S1: Selected bond distances (Å) observed in [Co(bpds)(bdc)(H₂O)₂].bpds, **1**.

Bond	Distances, Å	Bond	Distances, Å
Co(01)-O(1)	2.0758(18)	Co(01)-O(3)#1	2.127(2)
Co(01)-O(1)#1	2.0759(19)	Co(01)-N(1)	2.185(2)
Co(01)-O(3)	2.127(2)	Co(01)-N(1)#1	2.185(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+5/4,-y+5/4,z

Table S2: Selected bond angles observed in [Co(bpds)(bdc)(H₂O)₂].bpds, **1**.

Angle	Amplitude (°)	Angle	Amplitude (°)
O(1)-Co(01)-O(1)#1	175.04(12)	O(3)-Co(01)-N(1)	177.88(10)
O(1)-Co(01)-O(3)	90.23(9)	O(3)#1-Co(01)-N(1)	86.76(10)
O(1)#1-Co(01)-O(3)	86.29(9)	O(1)-Co(01)-N(1)#1	94.01(9)
O(1)-Co(01)-O(3)#1	86.30(9)	O(1)#1-Co(01)-N(1)#1	89.33(8)
O(1)#1-Co(01)-O(3)#1	90.23(9)	O(3)-Co(01)-N(1)#1	86.76(10)
O(3)-Co(01)-O(3)#1	91.15(15)	O(3)#1-Co(01)-N(1)#1	177.88(10)
O(1)-Co(01)-N(1)	89.33(8)	N(1)-Co(01)-N(1)#1	95.34(13)
O(1)#1-Co(01)-N(1)	94.02(9)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+5/4,-y+5/4,z

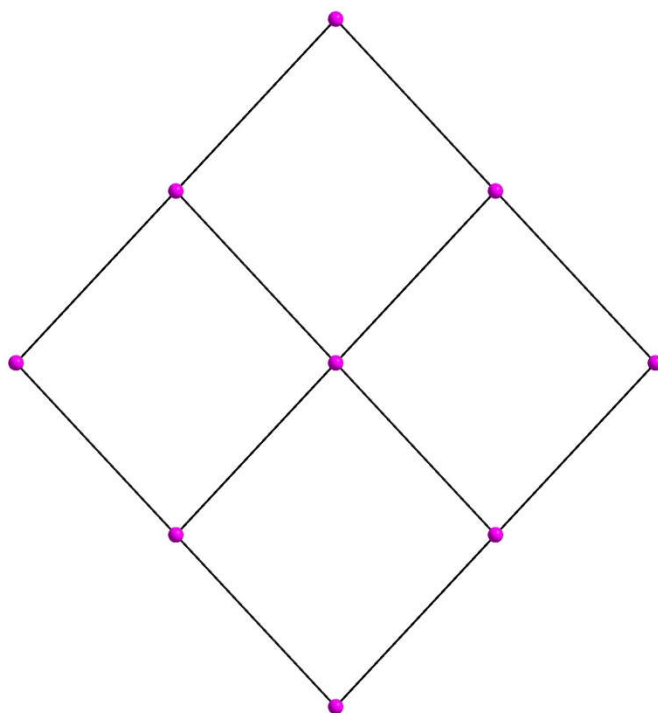


Fig. S6. Figure shows the 4,4-network in $[\text{Co}(\text{bpds})(\text{bdc})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]\cdot\text{bpds}$, **1**.

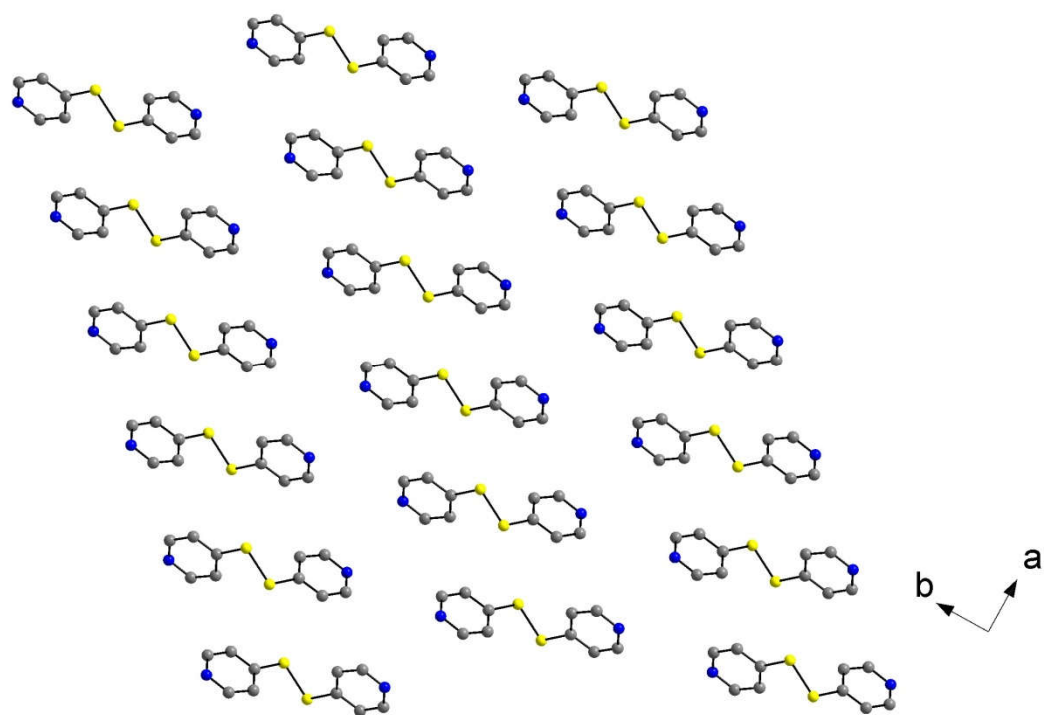


Fig. S7. Figure shows the arrangement of non-bonded bpds in the inter-layer position of [Co(bpds)(bdc)(H₂O)₂].bpds, **1**.

Table S3: Potential Hydrogen bonds (Å) observed in [Co(bpds)(bdc)(H₂O)₂].bpds, **1**.

Donor H...Acceptor	D - H, Å	H...A, Å	D...A, Å	D - H...A, Degree
O(3)--H(3A)..N(2) ^{#1}	0.77	2.11	2.8694(2)	166
O(3)--H(3B)..O(2) ^{Intra}	0.82	1.92	2.6875(2)	157

Symmetry operations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 1-x,1/4+y,1/4+z

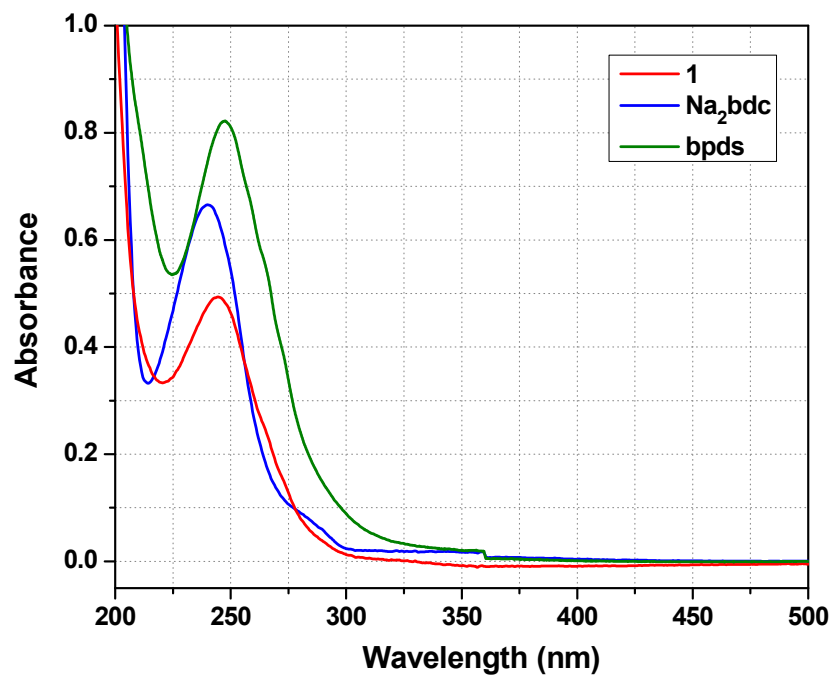


Fig. S8. UV-visible absorption spectra of **1** and the ligands (bpds and Na₂bdc).

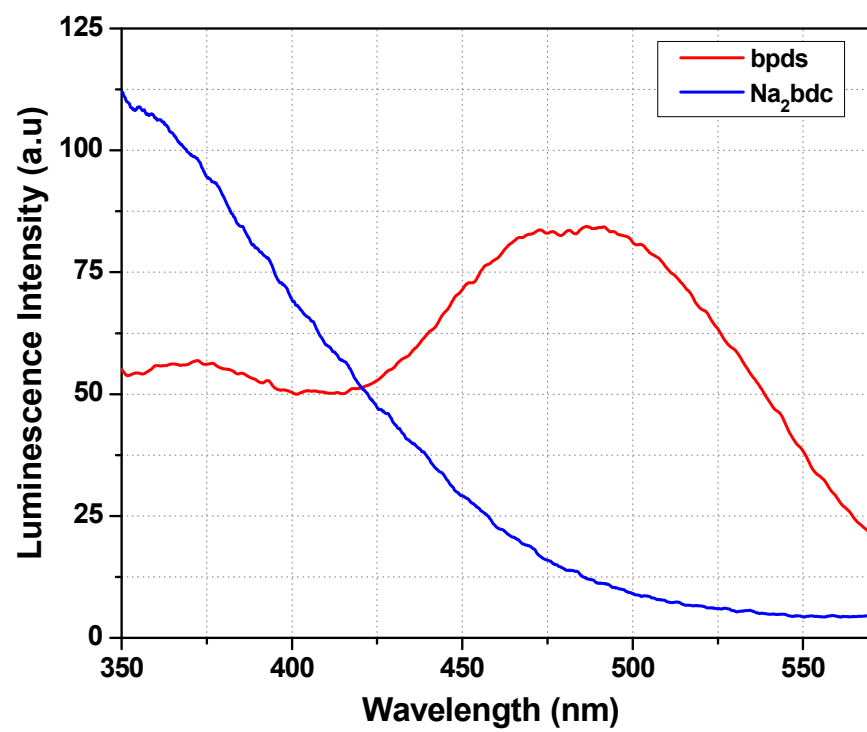


Fig. S9. Emission spectra of bpdS and Na₂bdc excited at 300 nm.

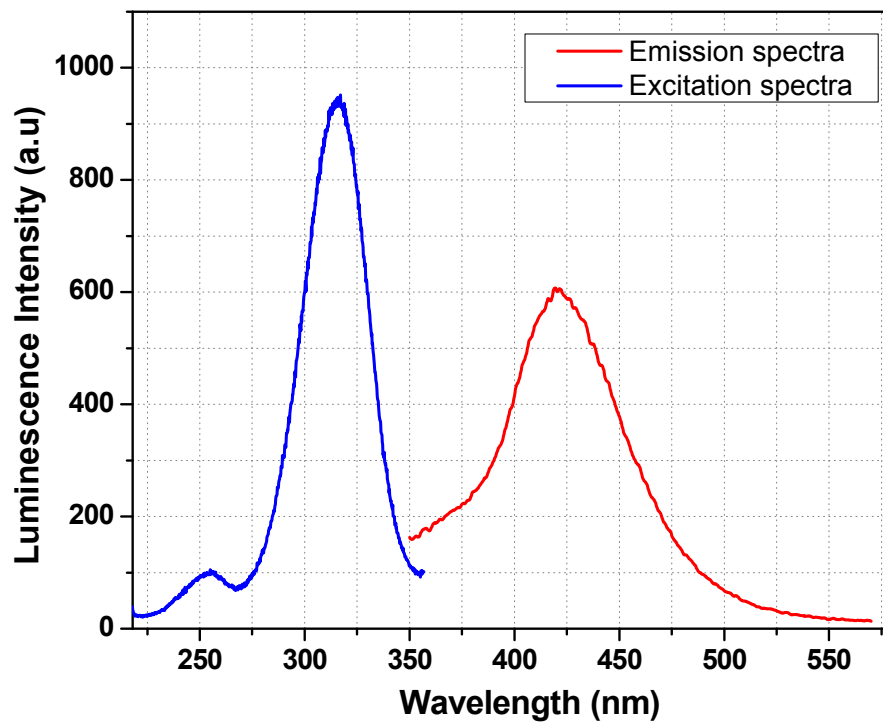


Fig. S10. Excitation and emission spectra of **1**. The excitation wavelength was chosen at 300 nm for emission spectra and for the excitation spectra, emission was fixed at 421 nm.

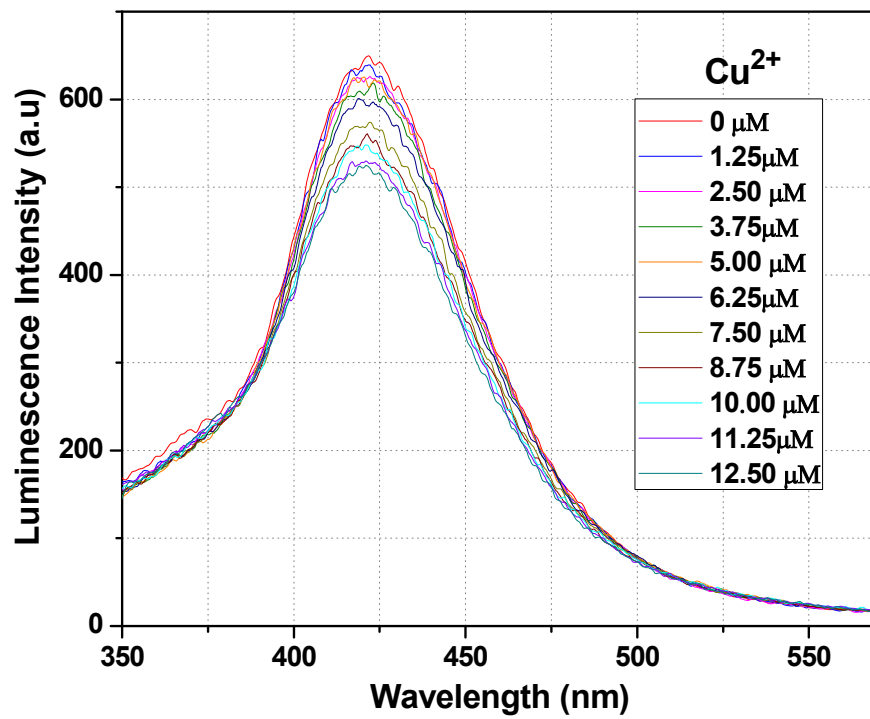


Fig. S11. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Cu²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Cu²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

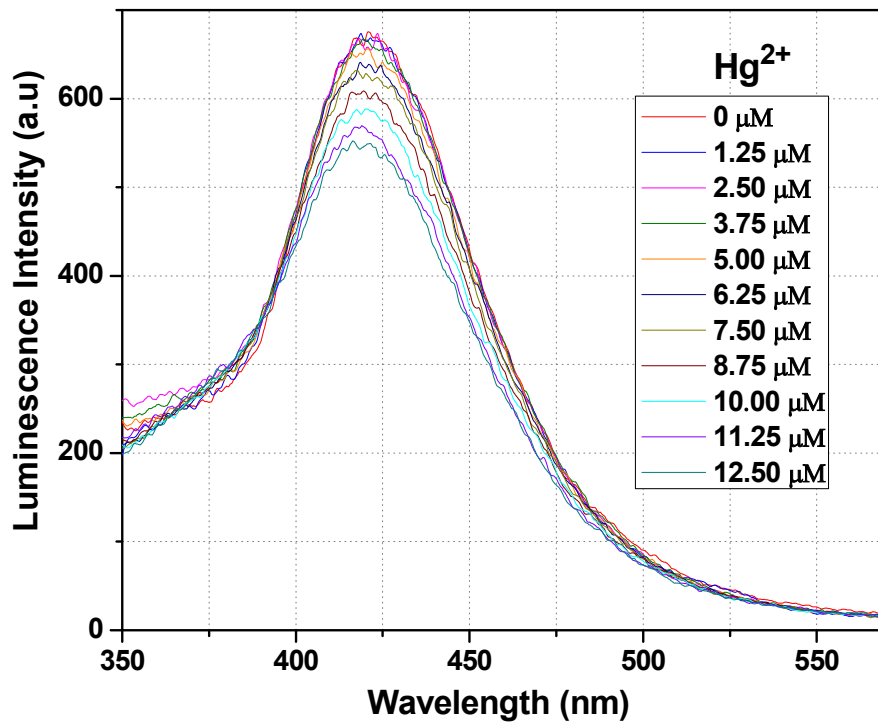


Fig. S12. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Hg^{2+} solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Hg^{2+} in the medium is indicated in the legend.

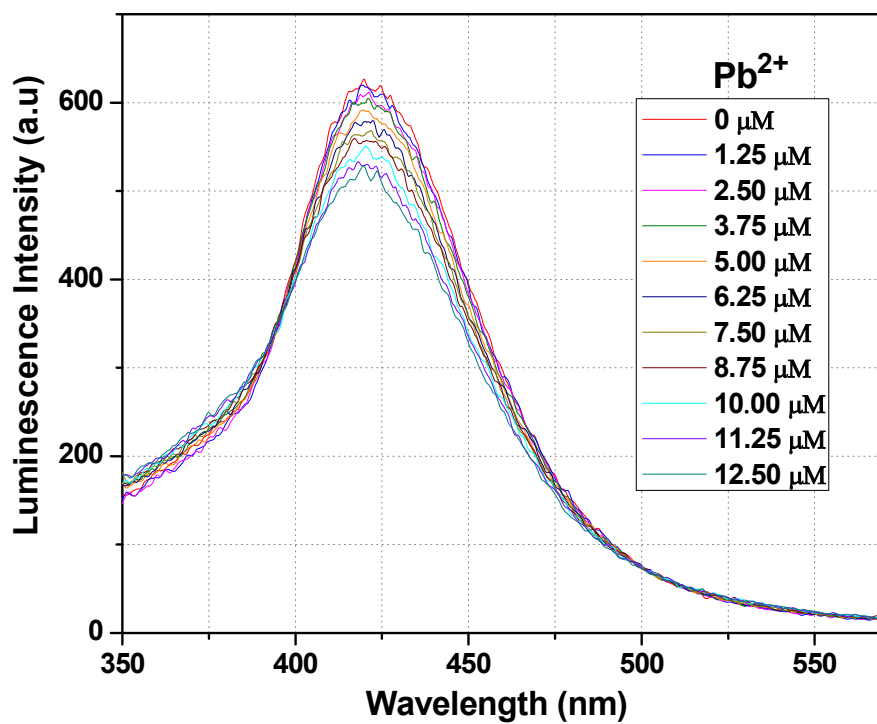


Fig. S13. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Pb^{2+} solution ($\lambda_{ex} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Pb^{2+} in the medium is indicated in the legend.

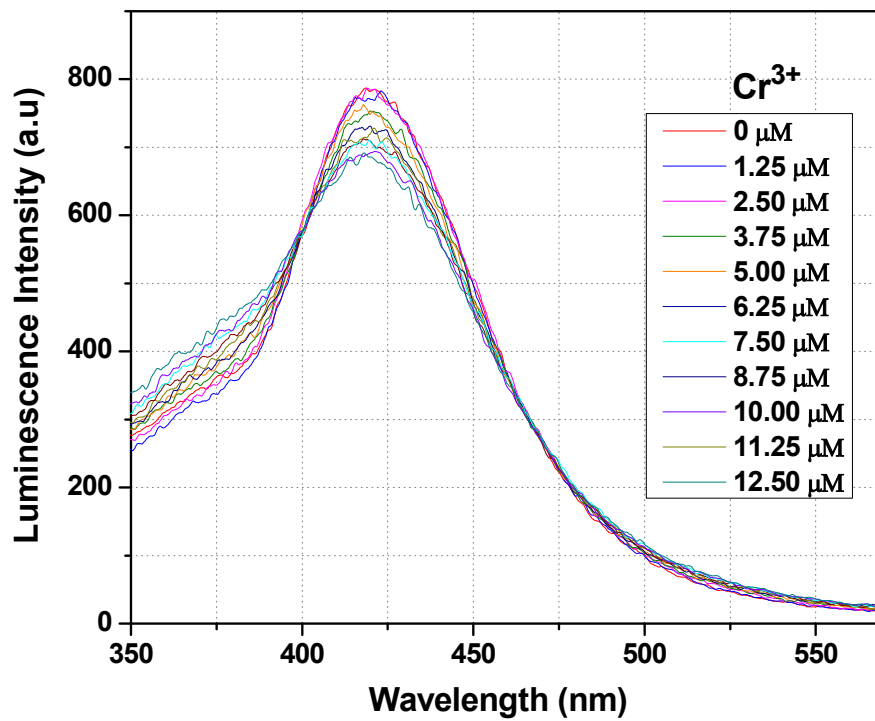


Fig. S14. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Cr³⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Cr³⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

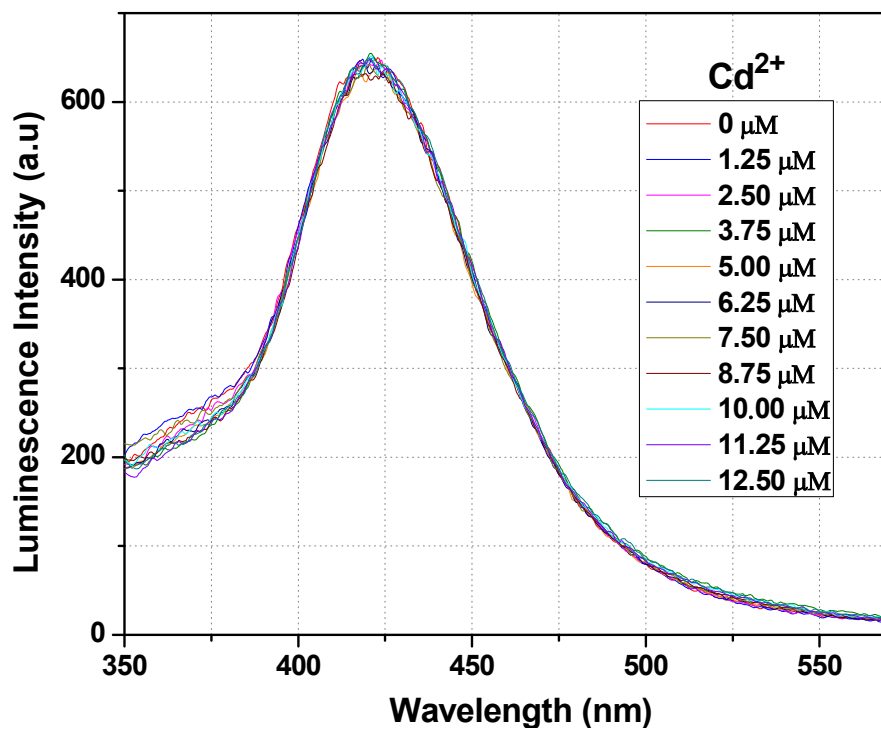


Fig. S15. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Cd²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Cd²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

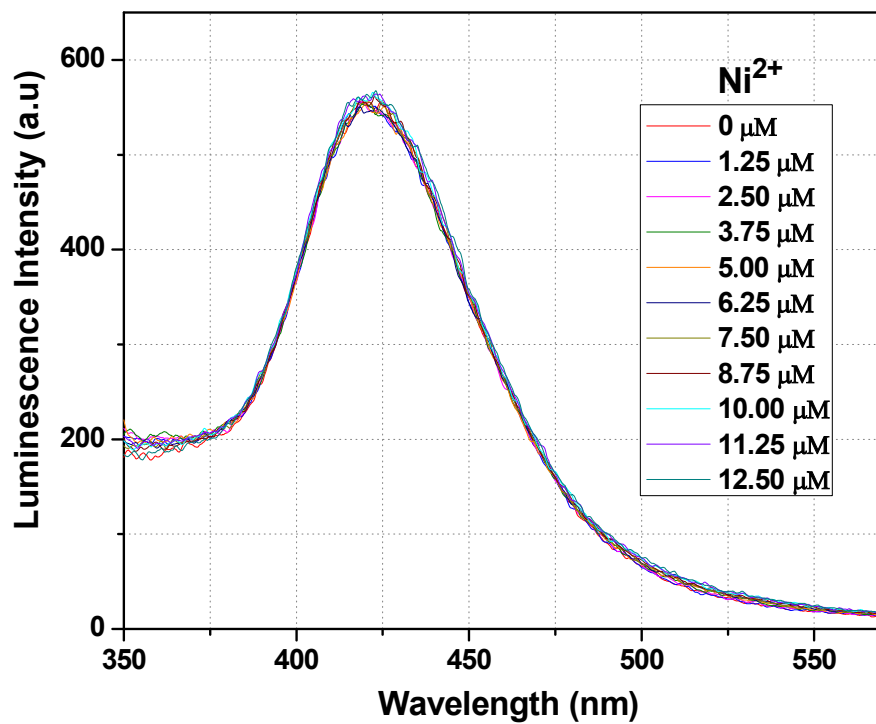


Fig. S16. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Ni²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Ni²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

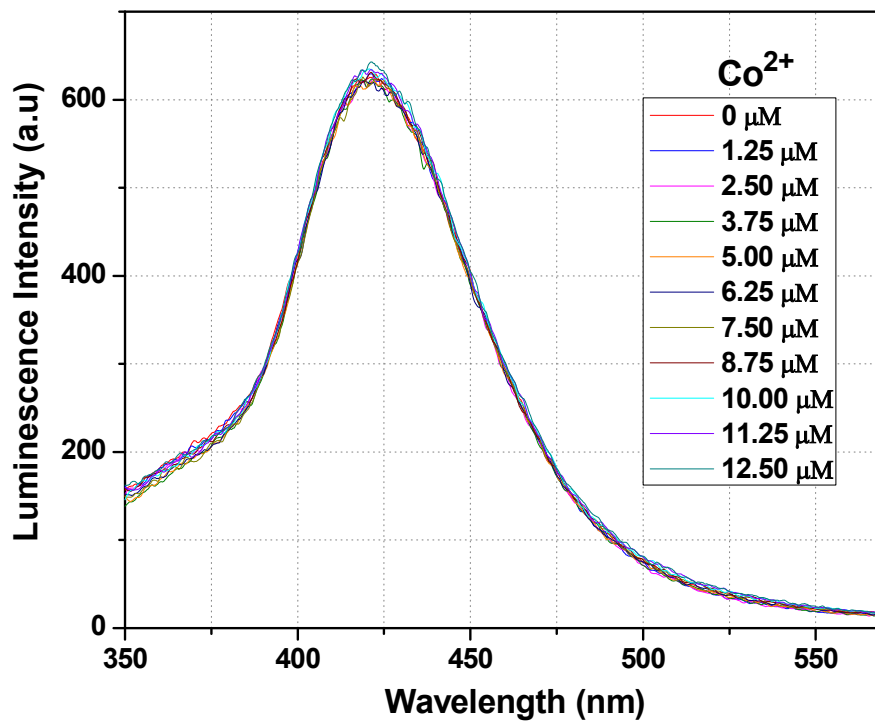


Fig. S17. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Co^{2+} solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300 \text{ nm}$). Final concentration of Co^{2+} in the medium is indicated in the legend.

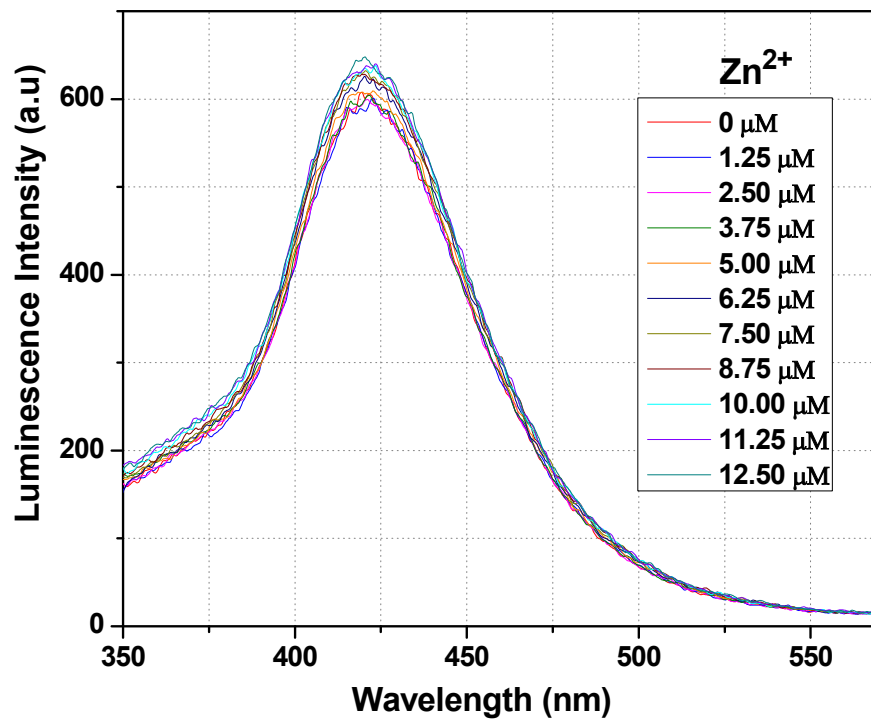


Fig. S18. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Zn²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Zn²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

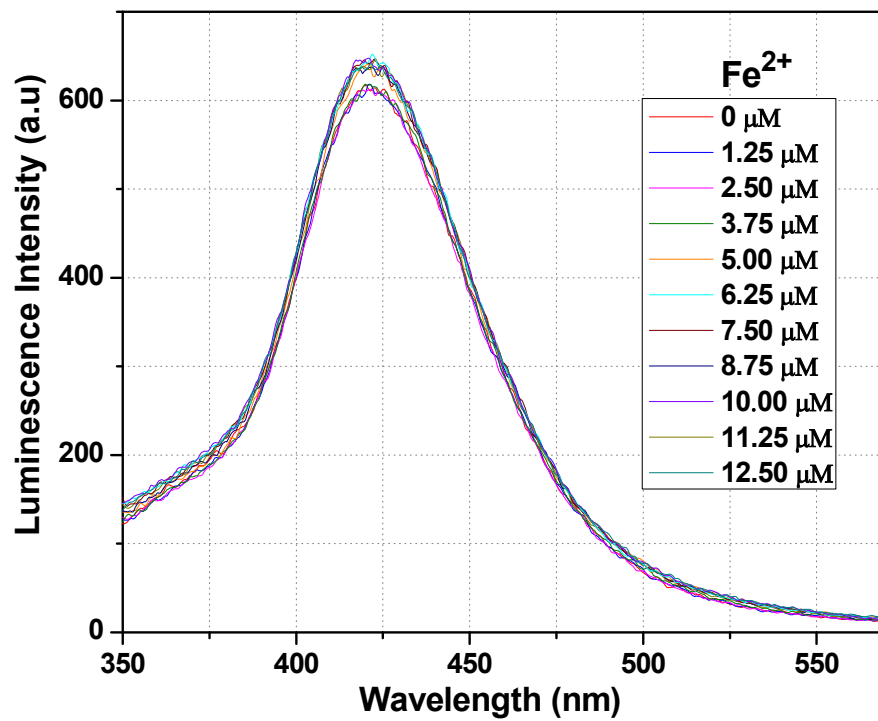


Fig. S19. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Fe²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Fe²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

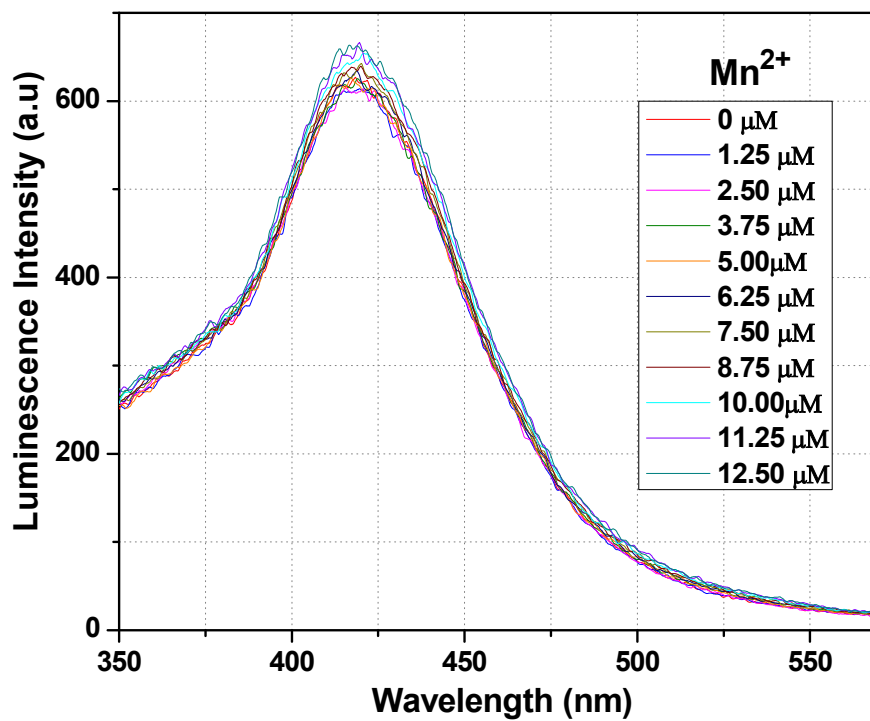


Fig. S20. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Mn²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Mn²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

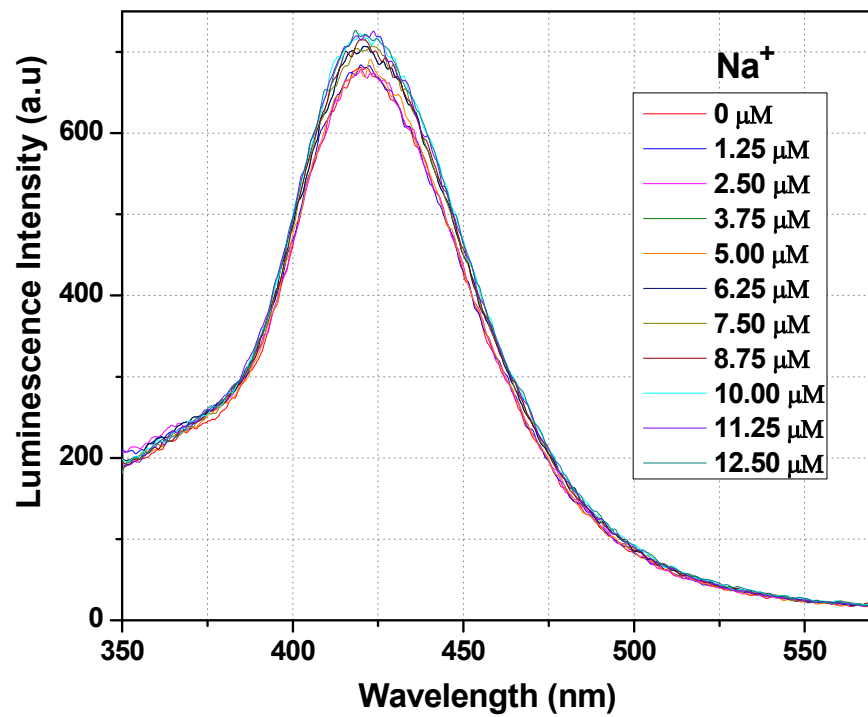


Fig. S21. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Na⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Na⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

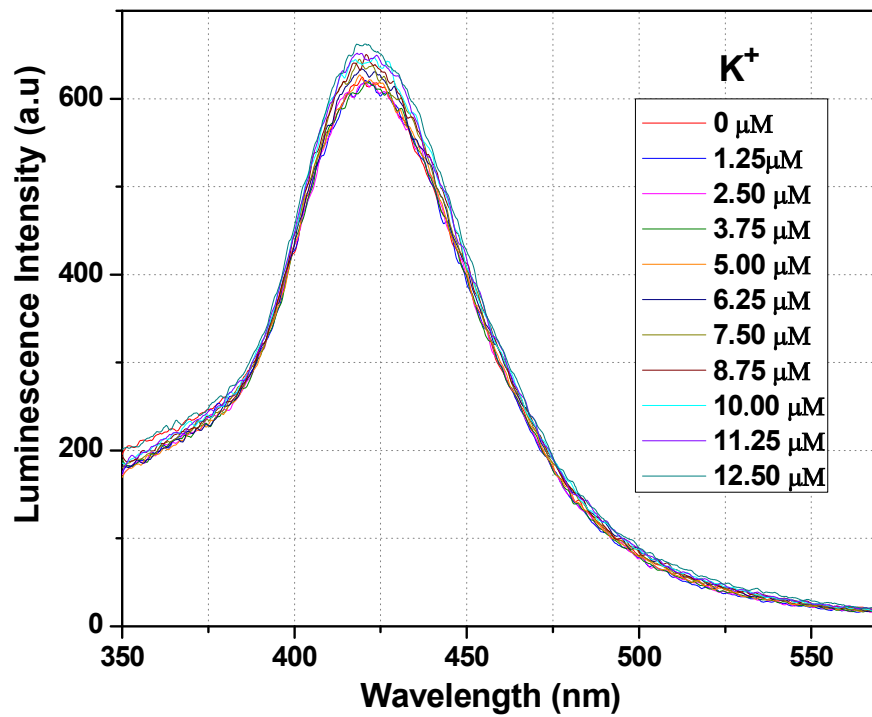


Fig. S22. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of K⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of K⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

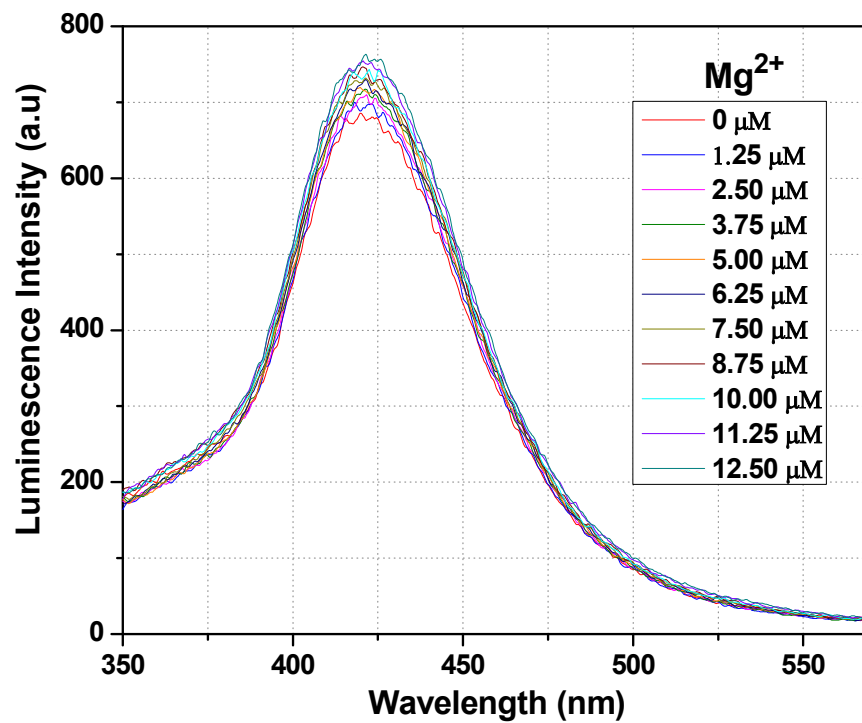


Fig. S23. Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Mg²⁺ solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). Final concentration of Mg²⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

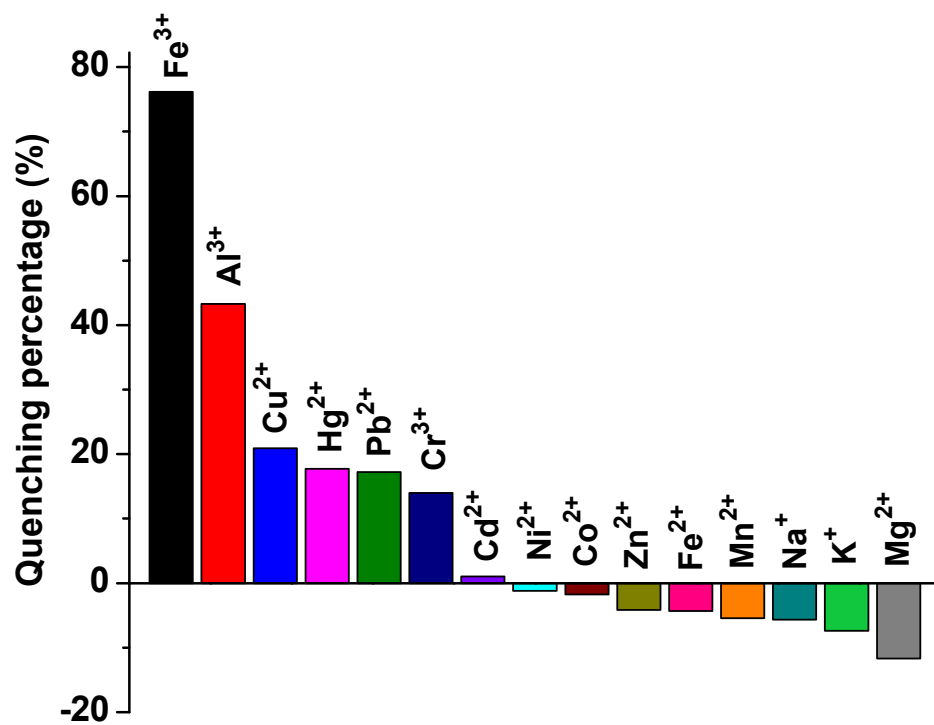


Fig. S24. Change in quenching percentage based on the emission of 1 (at 421 nm) with 12.5 μM of different metal ions. The colour bars are the data points for 1 in presence of the indicated metal ions.

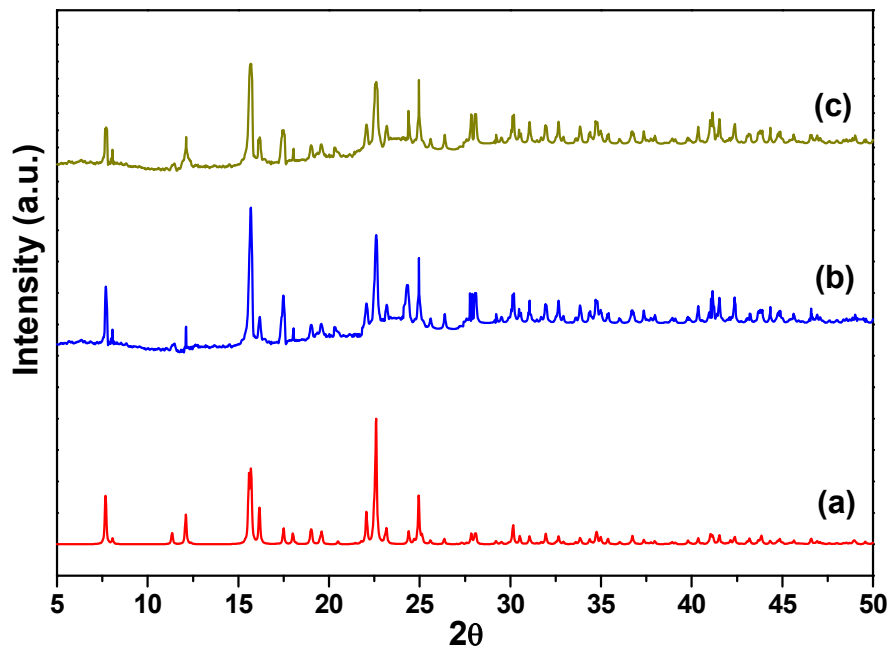


Fig. S25. Powder XRD patterns of **1**, (a) simulated from single crystal X-ray data, (b) after immersing in aqueous solution of Al^{3+} ions and (c) after immersing in aqueous solution of Fe^{3+} ions.

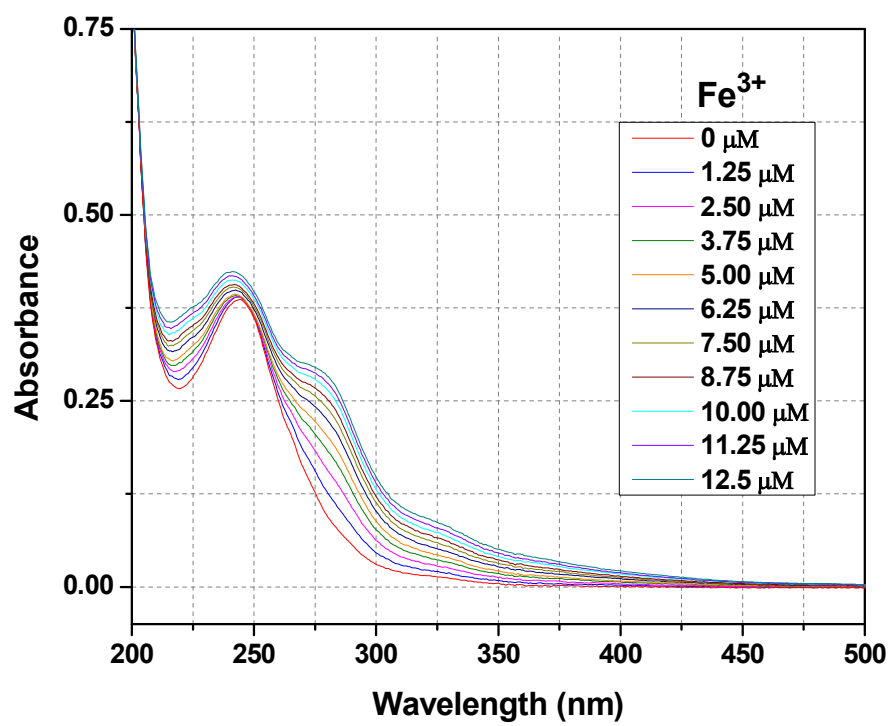


Fig. S26. Absorption spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon incremental addition of Fe³⁺ solution. Final concentration of Fe³⁺ in the medium is indicated in the legend.

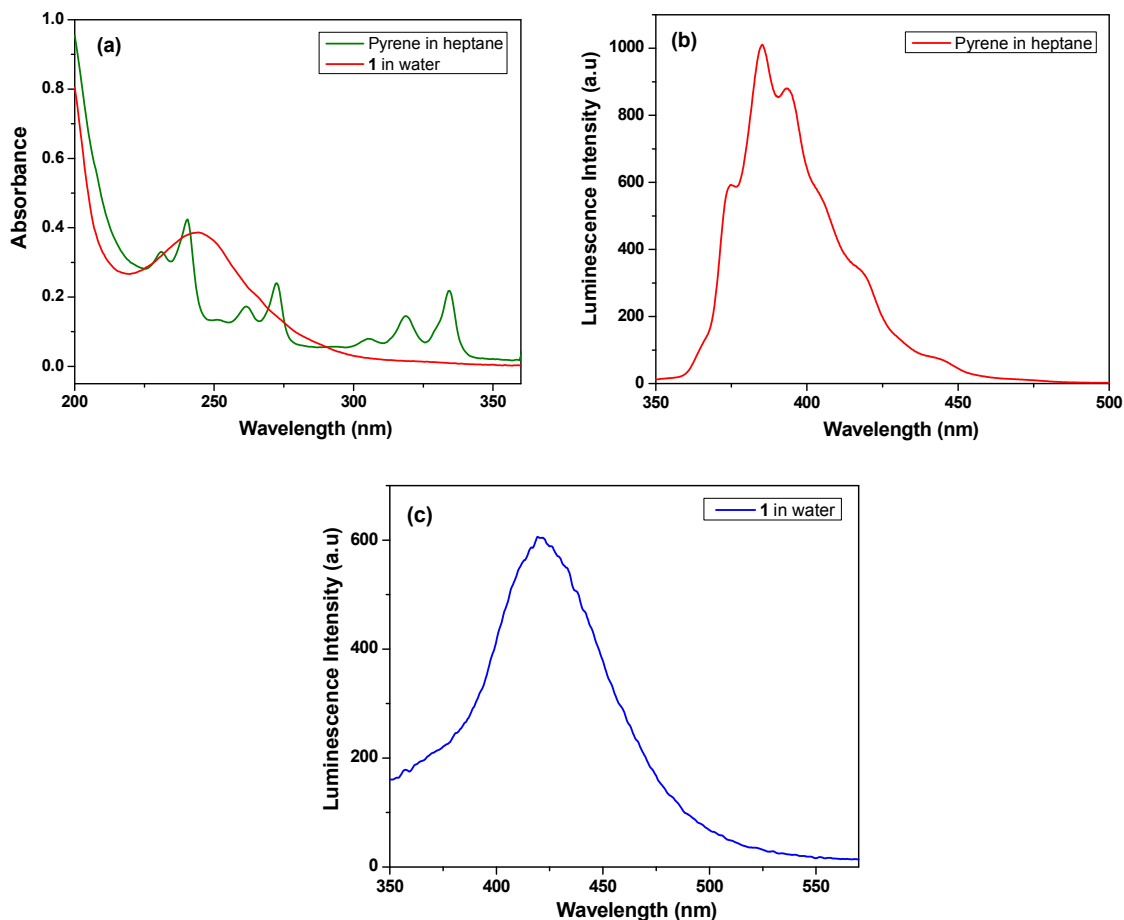


Fig. S27. (a) Absorption spectra of **1** dispersed in water and pyrene in heptane (b) luminescence spectra of pyrene in heptane upon excitation at 300 nm (c) luminescence spectra of **1** dispersed in water upon excitation at 300 nm.

Determination of quantum yield:

$$\phi_f^i = \frac{F^i f_s n_i^2}{F^s f_i n_s^2} \phi_f^s$$

where ϕ_f^i and ϕ_f^s are the fluorescence QYs of the sample and that of the standard, respectively; F^i and F^s are the integrated intensities (areas) of sample and standard spectra, respectively; f_s and f_i are the absorbance factor of standard and sample, respectively; the refractive indices of the sample and reference solution are n_i and n_s , respectively.

$$\phi_f^i = \frac{49453 \times 0.0365 \times 1.33^2}{51744 \times 0.0304 \times 1.38^2} \times 0.3$$

$$\phi_f^i = 0.32$$

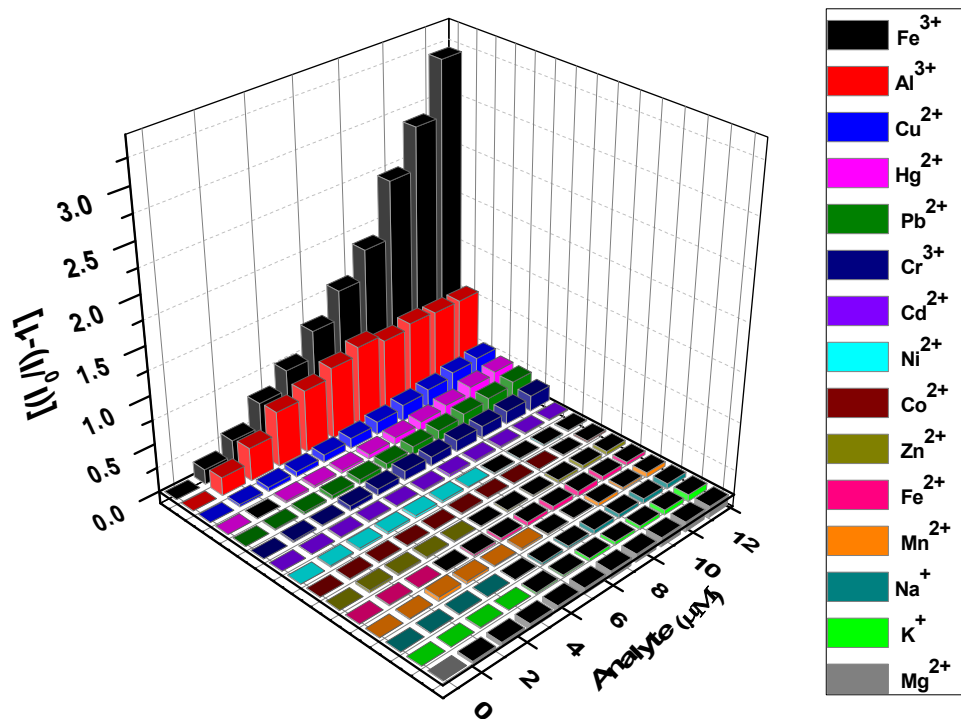


Fig. S28. Plot of $[(I_0/I)-1]$ of **1** vs. concentration of analytes having concentration range of analytes up to 12.5 μM .

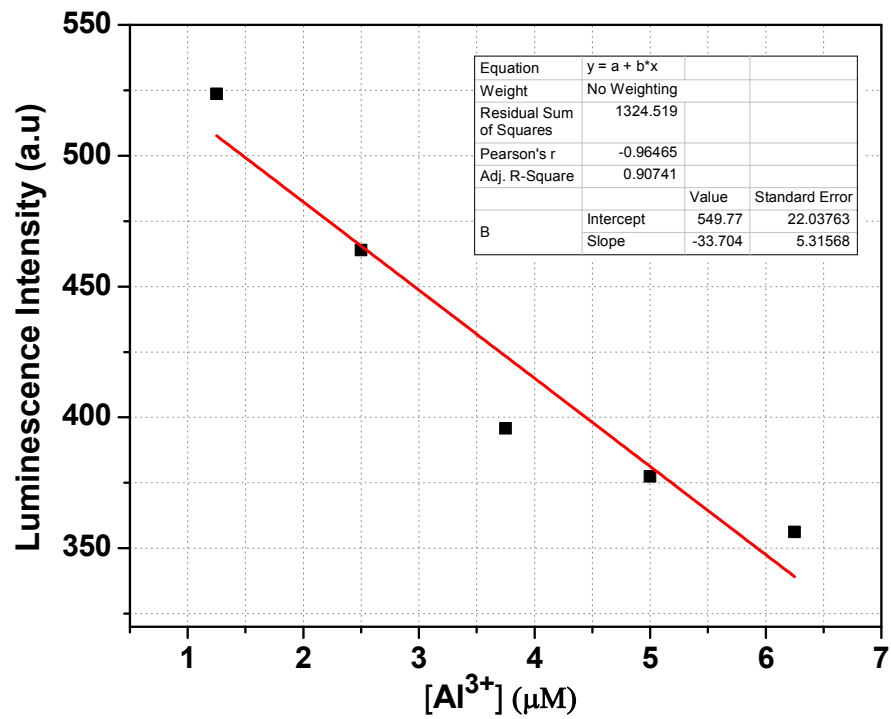


Fig. S29. Change in the Luminescence intensity of **1** in aqueous solution as a function of Al³⁺ concentration.

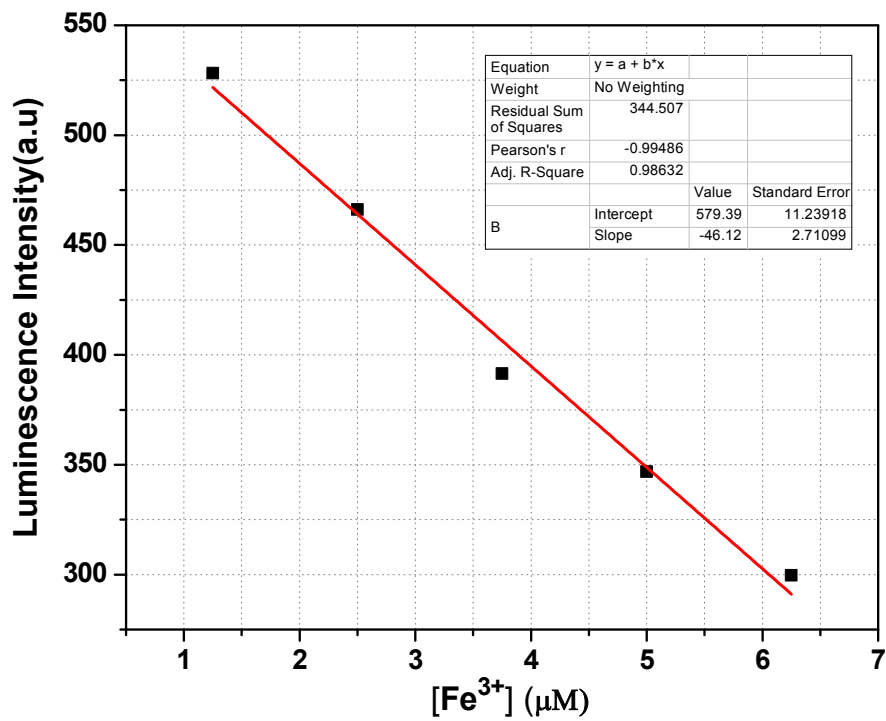


Fig. S30. Change in the Luminescence intensity of **1** in aqueous solution as a function of Fe³⁺ concentration.

Table S4: Calculation of standard deviation and Limit of Detection (LOD) for Al³⁺ and Fe³⁺:

Blank Reading (only 1)	Fluorescence Intensities at 421 nm (X)	Mean (\bar{x})	Standard Deviation (σ) = $\sqrt{\frac{\sum X - \bar{x} ^2}{N}}$
Reading 1	635.2	638.38	3.954
Reading 2	638.8		
Reading 3	636.1		
Reading 4	635.9		
Reading 5	645.9		

Slope, m for Al³⁺ = 33.70

Slope, m for Fe³⁺ = 46.12

LOD for Al³⁺ = $3\sigma/m = (3 \times 3.954)/33.70 = 0.35 \mu\text{M} = 8.44 \text{ ppb}$

LOD for Fe³⁺ = $3\sigma/m = (3 \times 3.954)/46.12 = 0.25 \mu\text{M} = 13.59 \text{ ppb}$

where, σ is the standard deviation and m is the slope of the plot of Luminescence Intensity vs. Concentration of analyte.

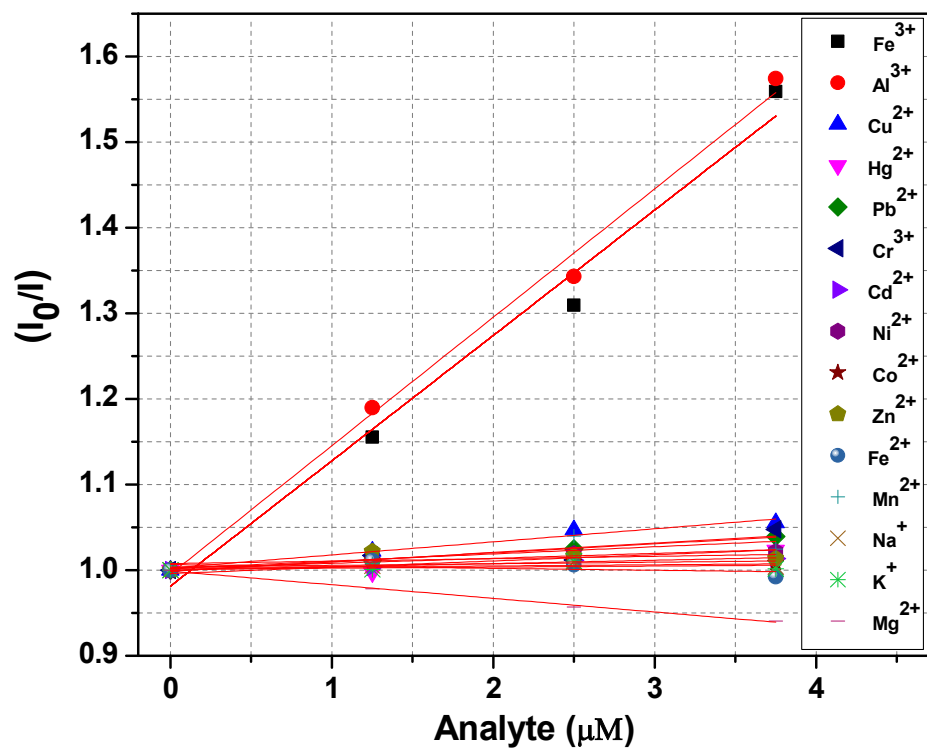


Fig. S31. Plot of luminescence intensity ratio of **1** vs. concentration of analytes. I_0 and I are luminescence intensity in absence and presence of analytes, respectively. The slopes indicate the K_{SV} value. The red lines are the best fitted lines to the experimental data.

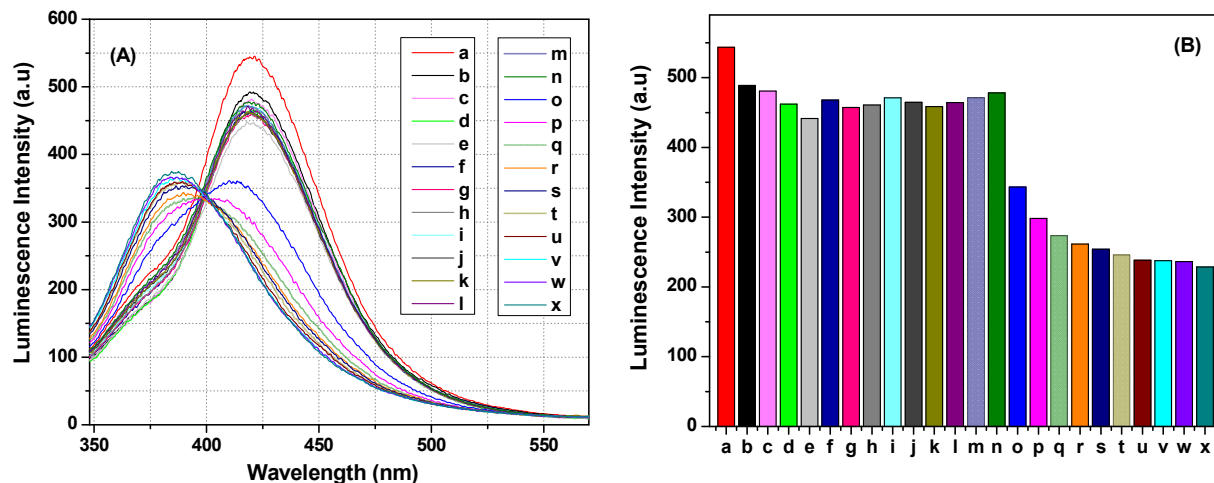


Fig. S32. (A) Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in aqueous solution upon the sequential addition of different metal ions followed by Al^{3+} solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300 \text{ nm}$). (B) Bar diagram showing the luminescence intensity (monitored at 421 nm) after the sequential addition of other metal ions and Al^{3+} ion. The composition and concentration of the system were as follows: (a) **1** in aqueous solution, (b) a + 2.5 μM Cu^{2+} , (c) b + 2.5 μM Hg^{2+} , (d) c + 2.5 μM Pb^{2+} , (e) d + 2.5 μM Cr^{3+} , (f) e + 2.5 μM Cd^{2+} , (g) f + 2.5 μM Ni^{2+} , (h) g + 2.5 μM Co^{2+} , (i) h + 2.5 μM Zn^{2+} , (j) i + 2.5 μM Fe^{2+} , (k) j + 2.5 μM Mn^{2+} , (l) k + 2.5 μM Na^{+} (m) l + 2.5 μM K^{+} , (n) m + 2.5 μM Mg^{2+} , (o) n + 1.25 μM Al^{3+} , (p) n + 2.5 μM Al^{3+} , (q) n + 3.75 μM Al^{3+} , (r) n + 5 μM Al^{3+} , (s) n + 6.25 μM Al^{3+} , (t) n + 7.5 μM Al^{3+} , (u) n + 8.25 μM Al^{3+} , (v) n + 10 μM Al^{3+} , (w) n + 11.25 μM Al^{3+} and (x) n + 12.5 μM Al^{3+} .

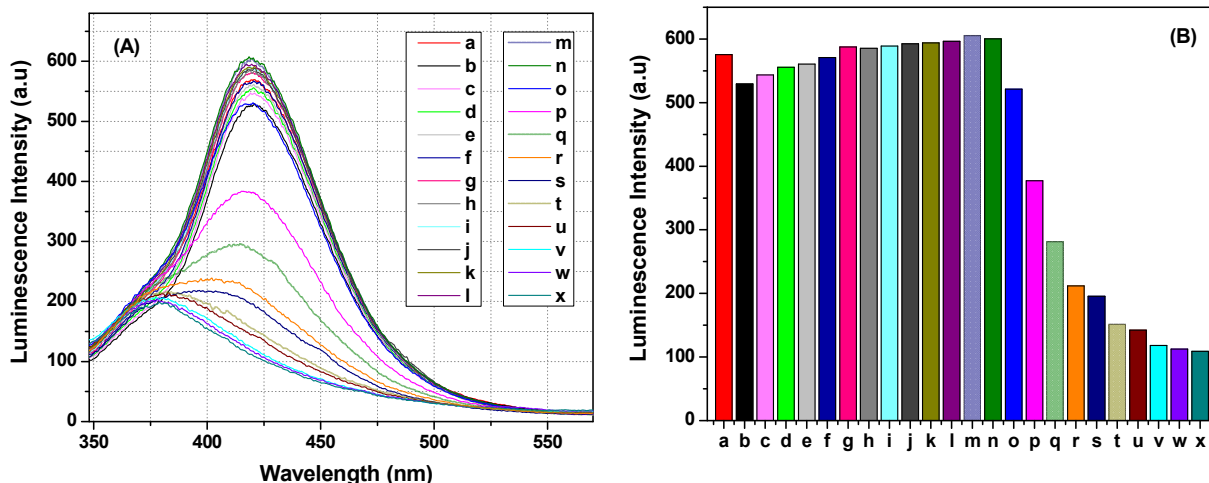


Fig. S33. (A) Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in aqueous solution upon the sequential addition of different metal ions followed by Fe^{3+} solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300 \text{ nm}$). (B) Bar diagram showing the luminescence intensity (monitored at 421 nm) after the sequential addition of the other metal ions and Fe^{3+} ion. The composition and concentration of the system were as follows: (a) **1** in aqueous solution, (b) a + 2.5 μM Cu^{2+} , (c) b + 2.5 μM Hg^{2+} , (d) c + 2.5 μM Pb^{2+} , (e) d + 2.5 μM Cr^{3+} , (f) e + 2.5 μM Cd^{2+} , (g) f + 2.5 μM Ni^{2+} , (h) g + 2.5 μM Co^{2+} , (i) h + 2.5 μM Zn^{2+} , (j) i + 2.5 μM Fe^{2+} , (k) j + 2.5 μM Mn^{2+} , (l) k + 2.5 μM Na^+ (m) l + 2.5 μM K^+ , (n) m + 2.5 μM Mg^{2+} , (o) n + 1.25 μM Fe^{3+} , (p) n + 2.5 μM Fe^{3+} , (q) n + 3.75 μM Fe^{3+} , (r) n + 5 μM Fe^{3+} , (s) n + 6.25 μM Fe^{3+} , (t) n + 7.5 μM Fe^{3+} , (u) n + 8.25 μM Fe^{3+} , (v) n + 10 μM Fe^{3+} , (w) n + 11.25 μM Fe^{3+} and (x) n + 12.5 μM Fe^{3+} .

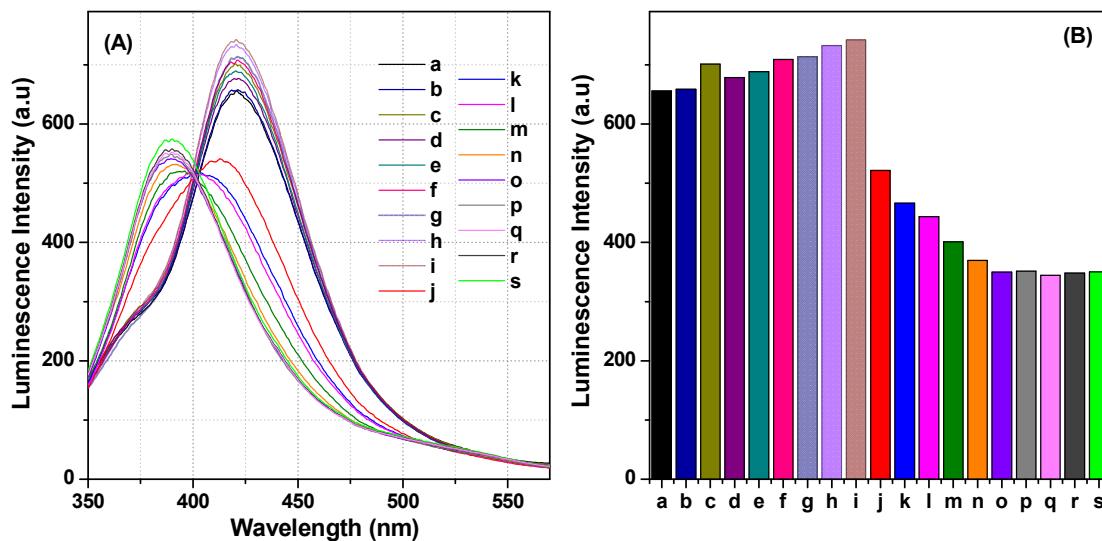


Fig. S34. (A) Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in aqueous solution upon the sequential addition of different anions followed by Al^{3+} solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). (B) Bar diagram showing the luminescence intensity (monitored at 421 nm) after the sequential addition of the other anions and Al^{3+} ion. The composition and concentration of the system were as follows: (a) **1** in aqueous solution, (b) a + 2.5 μM Cl^- , (c) b + 2.5 μM F^- , (d) c + 2.5 μM Br^- , (e) d + 2.5 μM I^- , (f) e + 2.5 μM CO_3^{2-} , (g) f + 2.5 μM NO_2^- , (h) g + 2.5 μM NO_3^- , (i) h + 2.5 μM SO_4^{2-} , (j) i + 1.25 μM Al^{3+} , (k) i + 2.5 μM Al^{3+} , (l) i + 3.75 μM Al^{3+} (m) i + 5 μM Al^{3+} , (n) i + 6.25 μM Al^{3+} , (o) i + 7.5 μM Al^{3+} , (p) i + 8.25 μM Al^{3+} , (q) i + 10 μM Al^{3+} , (r) i + 11.25 μM Al^{3+} and (s) i + 12.5 μM Al^{3+} .

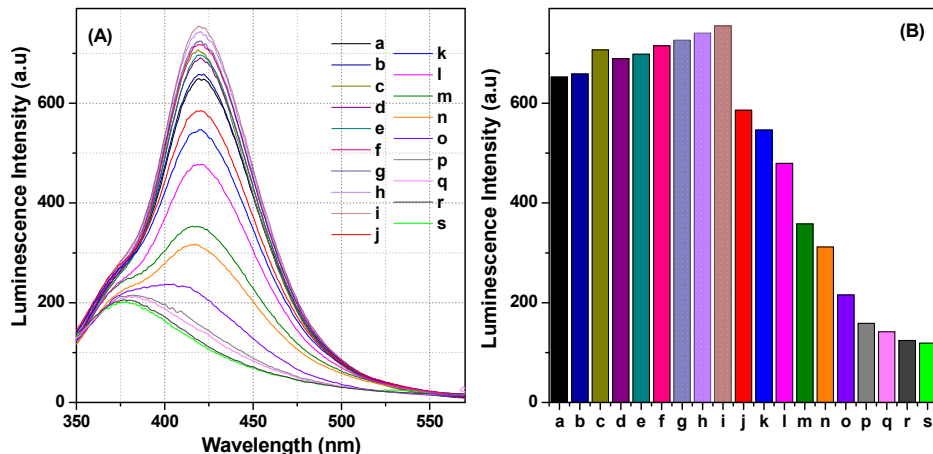


Fig. S35. (A) Emission spectra of **1** dispersed in aqueous solution upon the sequential addition of different anions followed by Fe^{3+} solution ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 300$ nm). (B) Bar diagram showing the luminescence intensity (monitored at 421 nm) after the sequential addition of the other anions and Fe^{3+} ion. The composition and concentration of the system were as follows: (a) **1** in aqueous solution, (b) a + 2.5 μM Cl^- , (c) b + 2.5 μM F^- , (d) c + 2.5 μM Br^- , (e) d + 2.5 μM I^- , (f) e + 2.5 μM CO_3^{2-} , (g) f + 2.5 μM NO_2^- , (h) g + 2.5 μM NO_3^- , (i) h + 2.5 μM SO_4^{2-} , (j) i + 1.25 μM Fe^{3+} , (k) i + 2.5 μM Fe^{3+} , (l) i + 3.75 μM Fe^{3+} , (m) i + 5 μM Fe^{3+} , (n) i + 6.25 μM Fe^{3+} , (o) i + 7.5 μM Fe^{3+} , (p) i + 8.25 μM Fe^{3+} , (q) i + 10 μM Fe^{3+} , (r) i + 11.25 μM Fe^{3+} and (s) i + 12.5 μM Fe^{3+} .

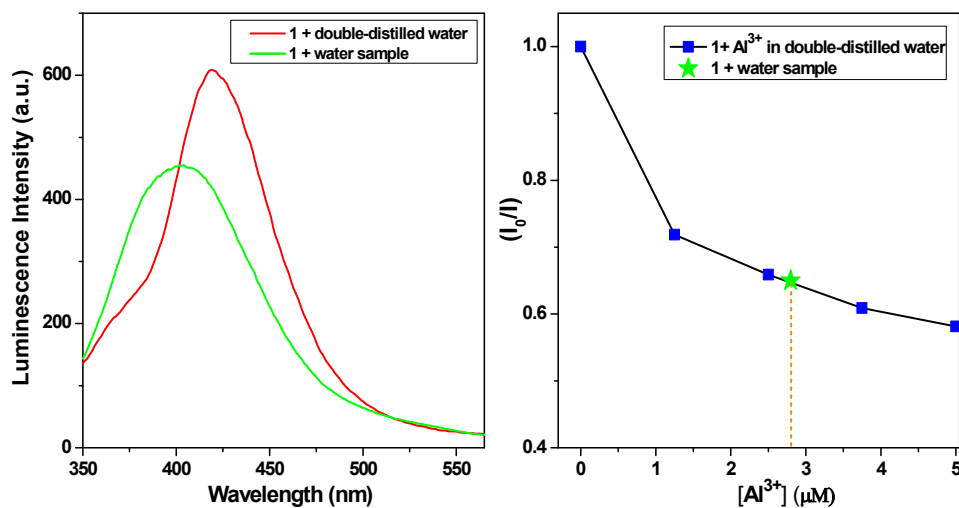


Fig. S36. (A) The emission spectra of **1** in double-distilled water and in water sample. (B) Stern-Volmer plot of luminescence intensity ratio (I_0/I) of **1** monitored at 380 nm vs concentration of Al^{3+} ion. I_0 and I represent the luminescence intensity of **1** in absence and presence of Al^{3+} ions, respectively. The green point denotes I_0/I ratio for **1** in water sample. The concentration of Al^{3+} in water sample is determined to be 2.8 μM .

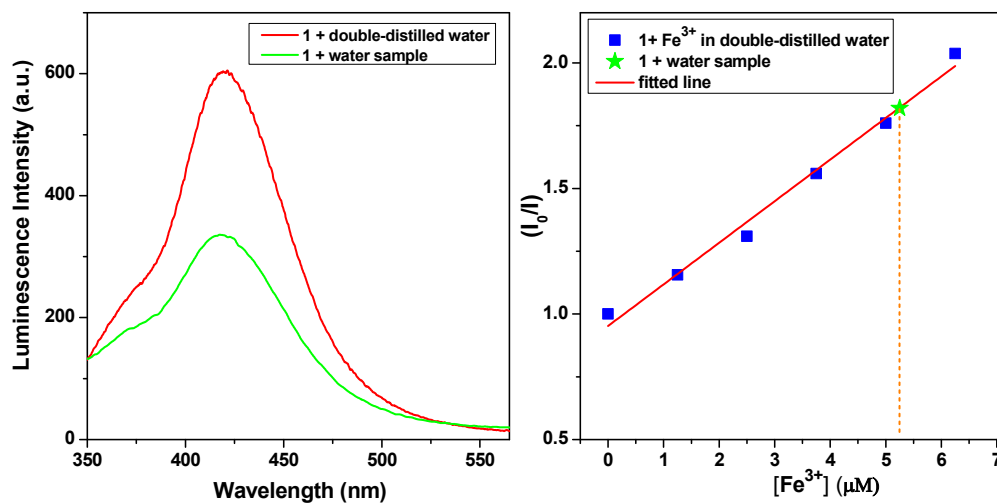


Fig. S37. (A) The emission spectra of **1** in double-distilled water and in water sample. (B) Stern-Volmer plot of luminescence intensity ratio (I_0/I) of **1** monitored at 421 nm vs concentration of Fe^{3+} ion. I_0 and I represent the luminescence intensity of **1** in absence and presence of Fe^{3+} ions, respectively. The green point denotes I_0/I ratio for **1** in water sample. The concentration of Fe^{3+} in water sample is determined to be 5.2 μM .