

Supporting Information (SI)

Reusable fluorescence coordination polymer for the detection of Zr⁴⁺ ions in aqueous media

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X-ray Crystallography Determination. A good quality crystal of 1 was mounted on Bruker Smart Apex CCD diffractometer using Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) at 298(2) K. The structures were solved by direct methods using SHELXS-2014 [1] and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 using SHELXL-2014 [2]. The program SADABS was applied to conduct the empirical absorption correction [3]. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were located geometrically and refined as riding atoms. The crystallographic data and selected bond lengths and bond angles have been listed in Tables S1 and S2, respectively.

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **1**.

Formula	C ₃₆ H ₂₂ EuN ₂ O ₇	Z	8
FW	746.51	D _{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.665
Temperature	298(2) K	μ (mm ⁻¹)	2.161
Crystal system	Monoclinic	F(000)	2968
Space group	C2/c	Reflections collected	21587
a (Å)	24.198(5)	Independent reflections	5837
b (Å)	15.541(3)	R _{int} , R _{sigma}	0.0655, 0.0385
c (Å)	15.939(3)	GOF (F ²)	1.022
α (deg)	90°	R _I ^a (I>2σ(I))	0.0307
β (deg)	96.314(4)°	wR ₂ ^b (I>2σ(I))	0.1091
γ (deg)	90°	R _I ^a (all data)	0.0413
V(Å ³)	5958(2)	wR ₂ ^b (all data)	0.1357

$$R_1^a = \frac{\sum ||F_o| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_o|}, wR_2^b = \left[\frac{\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2}{\sum w(F_o^2)} \right]^{1/2}.$$

Table S2. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **1**.

Eu(1)-O(2)	2.397(3)	Eu(1)-O(3)	2.388(3)
Eu(1)-O(4) ^{#1}	2.374(2)	Eu(1)-O(5)	2.368(2)
Eu(1)-O(6) ^{#1}	2.361(2)	Eu(1)-O(7)	2.520(3)
Eu(1)-N(1)	2.567(3)	Eu(1)-N(2)	2.612(4)
Eu(1)-Eu(1) ^{#1}	4.4061(9)		
O(4) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-N(1)	137.13(9)	O(4) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-N(2)	78.89(11)
O(3)-Eu(1)-N(1)	146.99(10)	O(3)-Eu(1)-N(2)	140.81(11)
O(2)-Eu(1)-N(1)	73.04(10)	O(2)-Eu(1)-N(2)	107.33(12)
O(7)-Eu(1)-N(1)	110.34(10)	O(7)-Eu(1)-N(2)	71.50(11)
O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-N(2)	77.23(11)	N(1)-Eu(1)-N(2)	63.37(11)
O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(5)	76.57(9)	O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(4) ^{#1}	75.40(9)
O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(3)	123.36(9)	O(5)-Eu(1)-O(4) ^{#1}	123.65(9)
O(5)-Eu(1)-O(3)	80.53(10)	O(4) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(3)	75.83(9)
O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(2)	142.91(8)	O(5)-Eu(1)-O(2)	77.08(9)
O(4) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(2)	141.59(8)	O(3)-Eu(1)-O(2)	76.83(10)
O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(7)	138.93(9)	O(5)-Eu(1)-O(7)	143.78(9)
O(4) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-O(7)	73.03(9)	O(3)-Eu(1)-O(7)	72.74(10)
O(2)-Eu(1)-O(7)	73.41(8)	O(6) ^{#1} -Eu(1)-N(1)	77.01(9)
O(5)-Eu(1)-N(1)	79.89(10)	O(5)-Eu(1)-N(2)	138.66(10)

Symmetry code: #1 -x, y, -z+1.

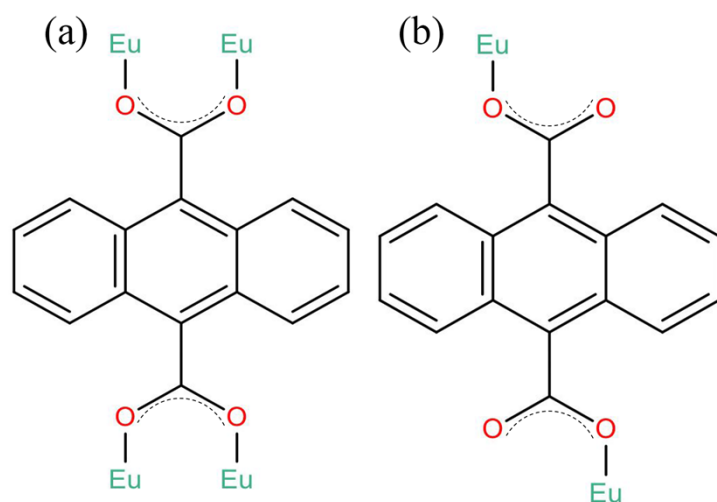


Fig. S1. Two coordination modes of ligand L^{2-} .

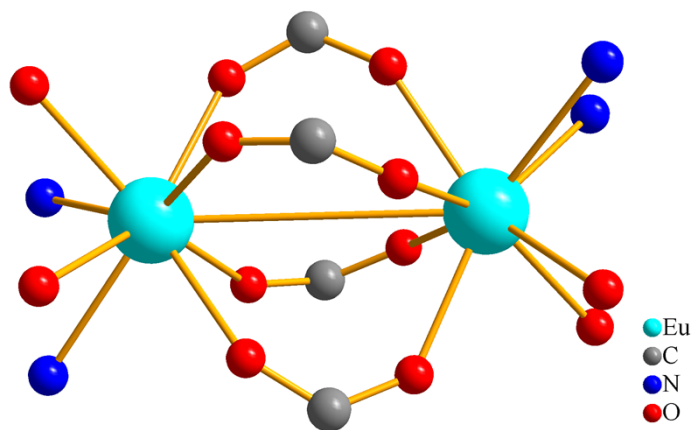


Fig. S2. The dinuclear $\text{Eu}_2(\text{COO})_4$ unit.

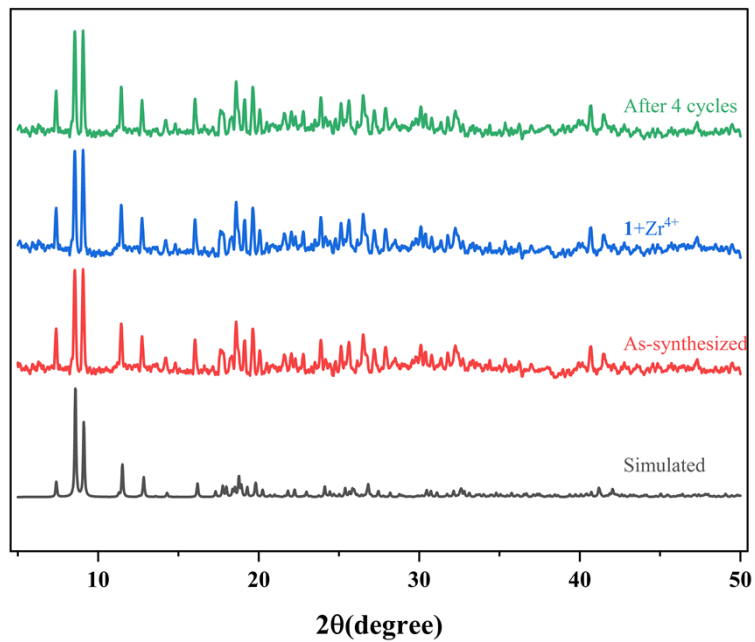


Fig. S3. The PXR D patterns of **1**.

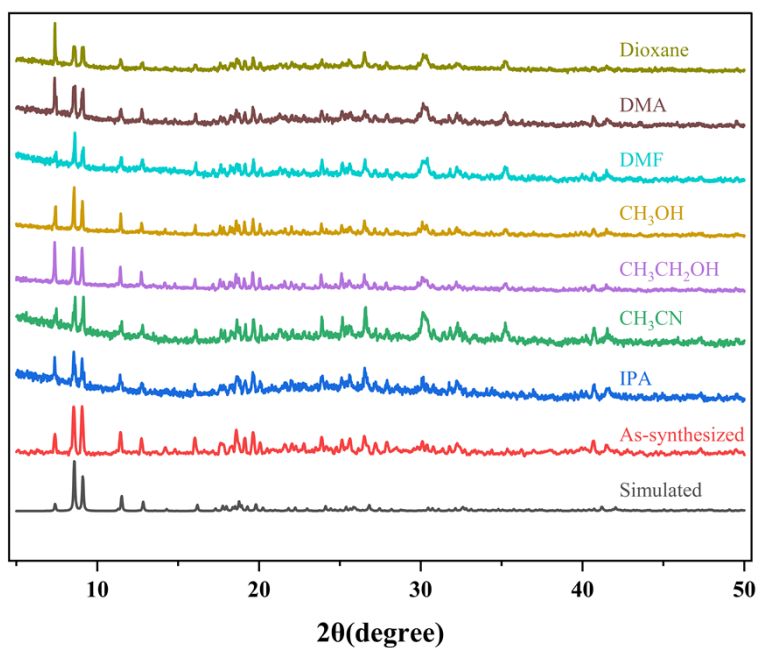


Fig. S4. PXR D patterns of compound **1** in different organic solutions.

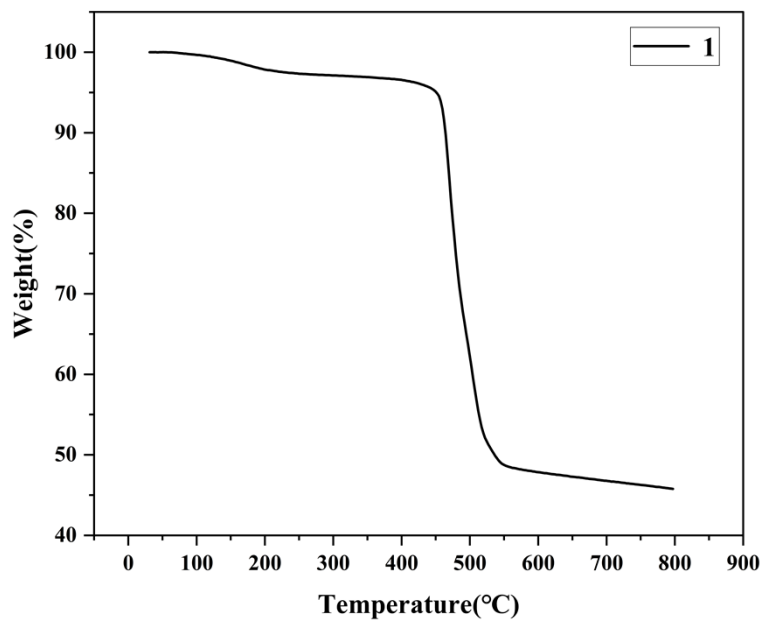


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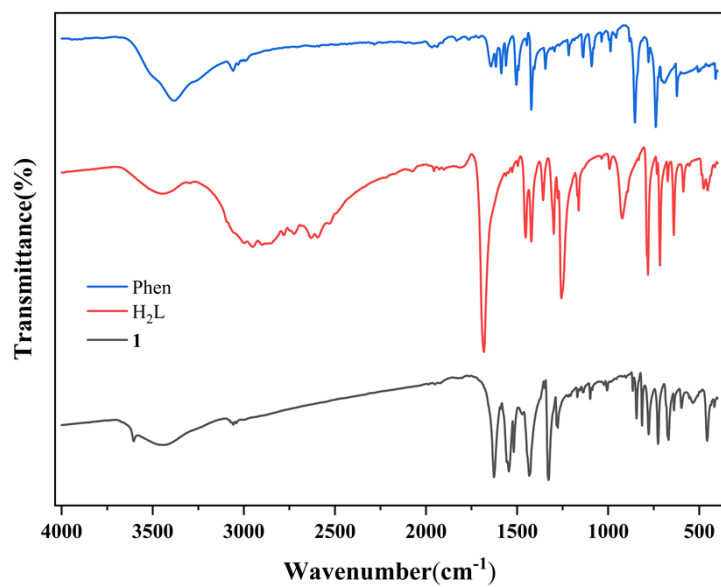


Fig. S6. IR spectra of H₂L, phen and complex 1.

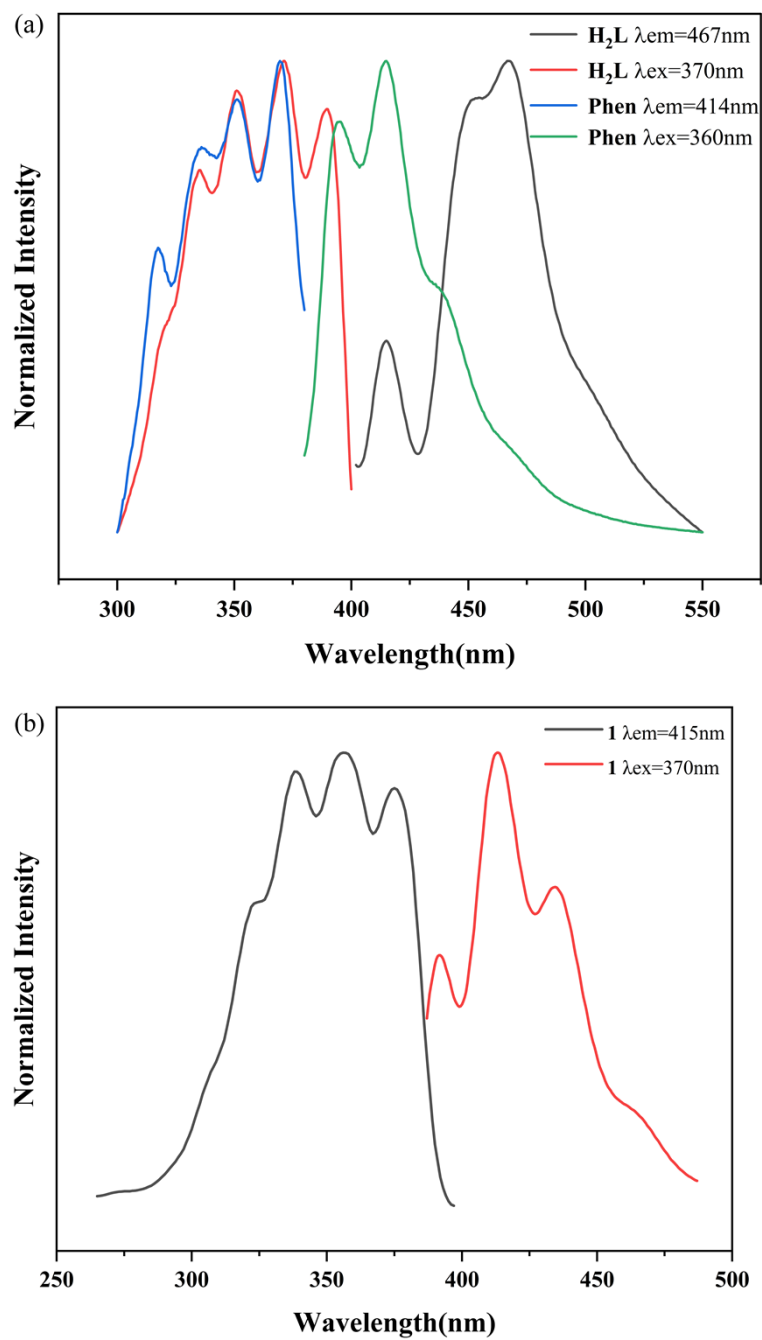


Fig. S7. (a) Excitation and emission spectra of ligands H_2L and phen in aqueous solution. (b) Excitation and emission spectra of complex **1** in aqueous solution.

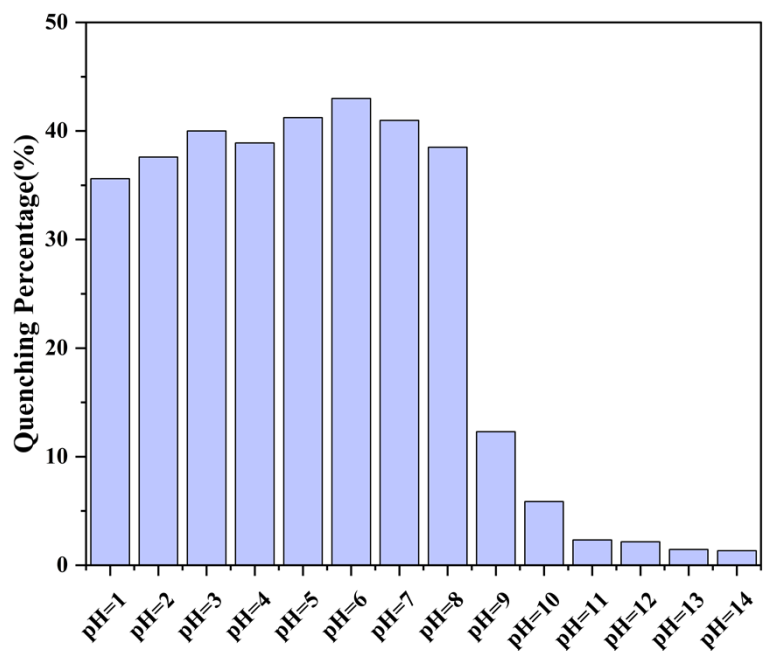
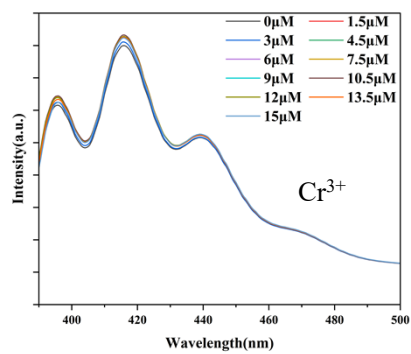
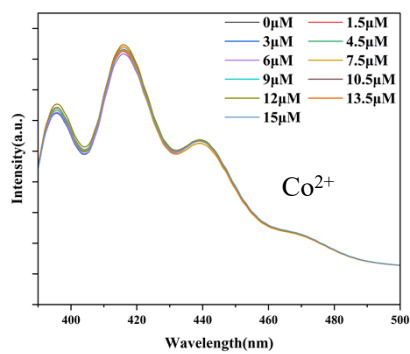
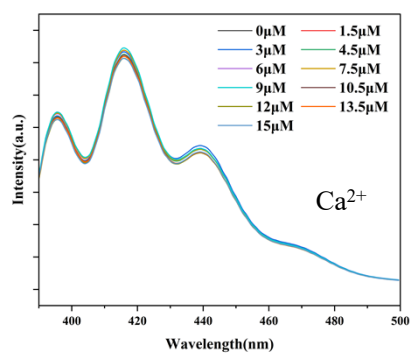
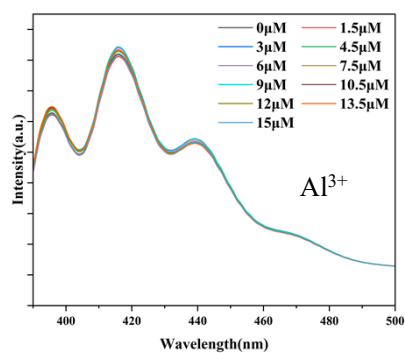
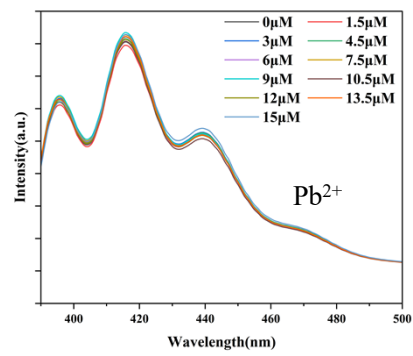
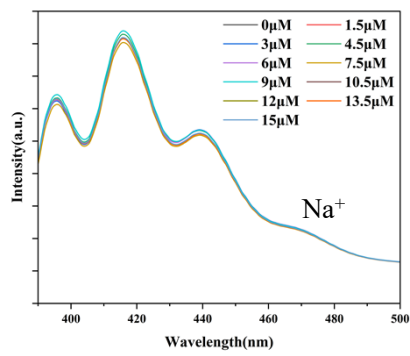
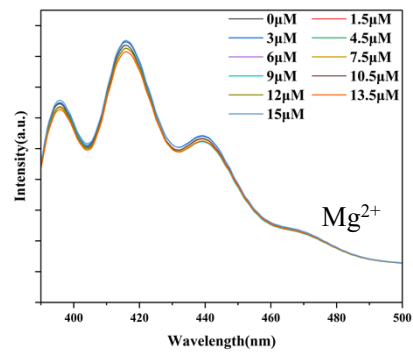
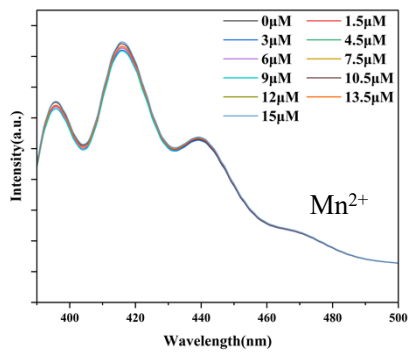
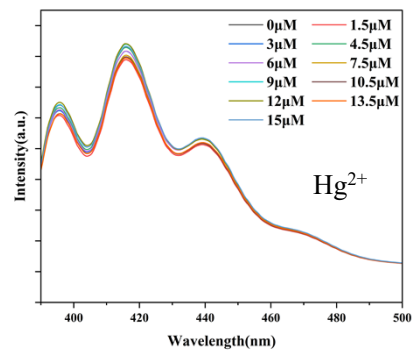
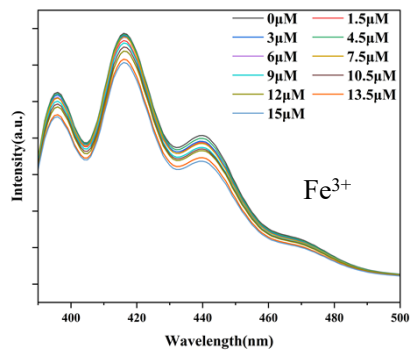
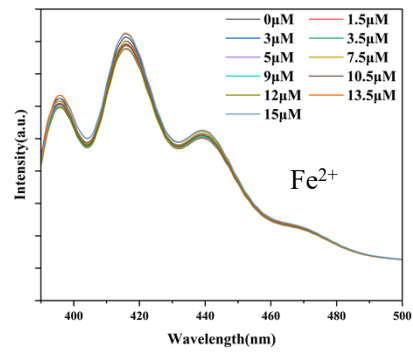
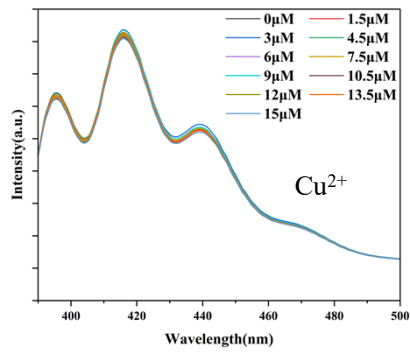


Fig. S8. Effect of pH on quenching percentage of $1+Zr^{4+}$ ions.





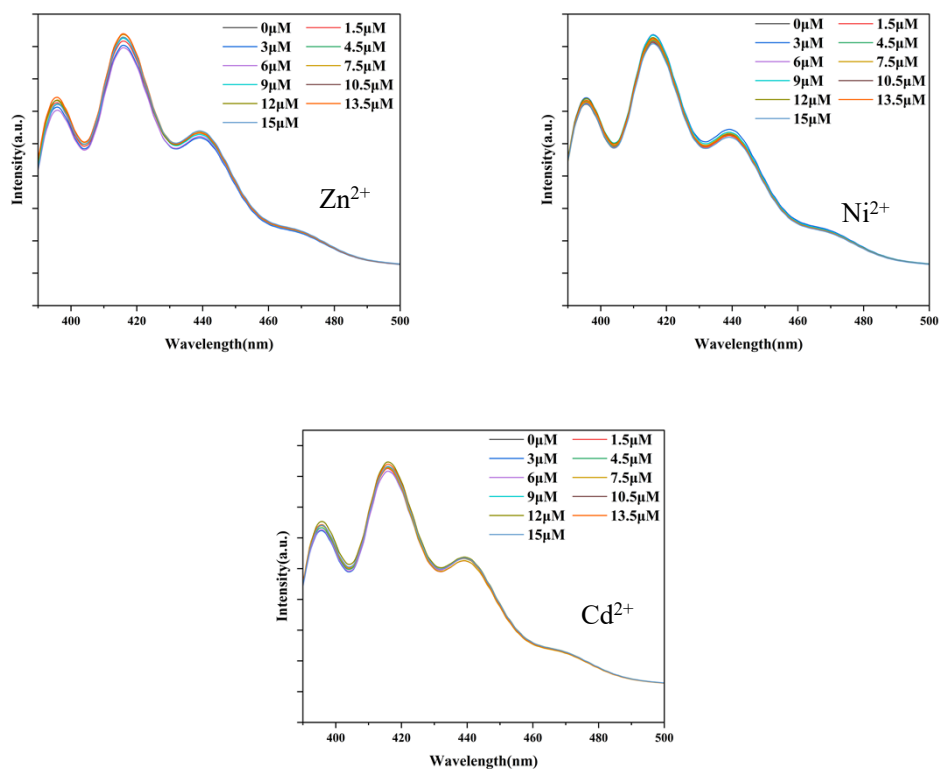


Fig. S9. PL spectra of **1** before and after adding different metal ions (excited at 370 nm).

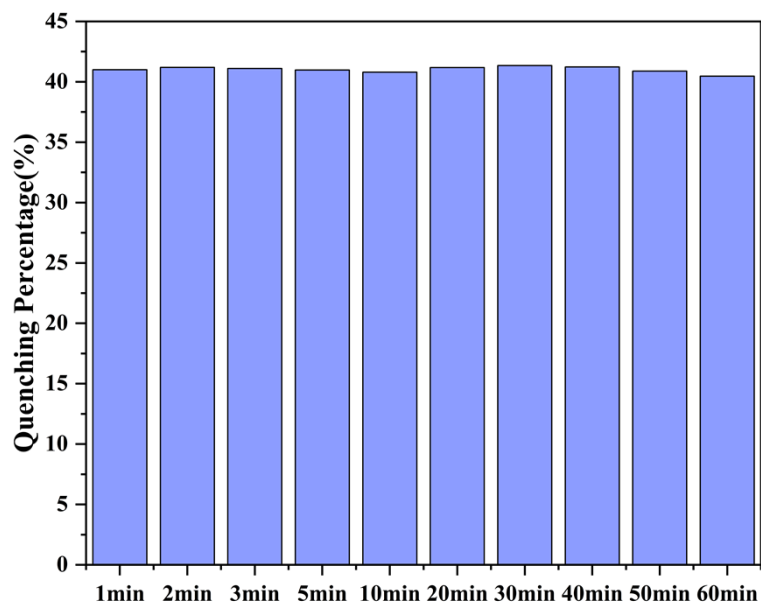


Fig. S10. Quenching percentages of **1**+ Zr^{4+} ions at different times.

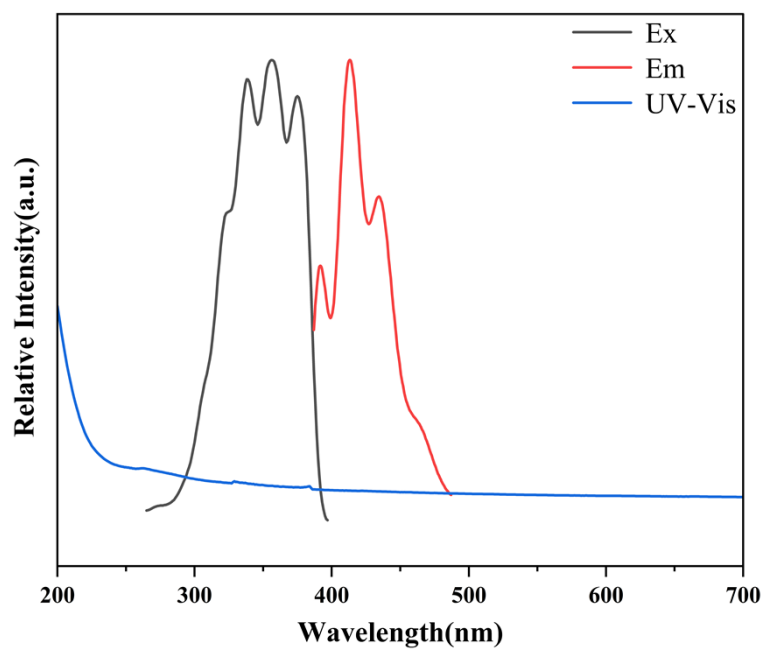


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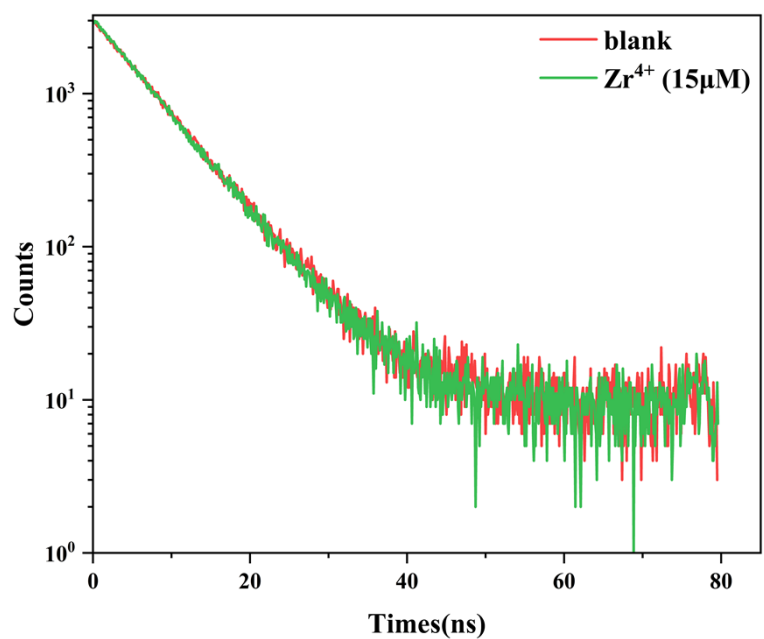


Fig. S12. Fluorescence decay curves of **1**.

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