## **Supporting Information**

# Luminescent properties of mixed-ligand MOFs containing fluorene scaffolds functionalized with isonicotinoyl arms

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## <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis



**Figure S1** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **PUM310** crystals after digestion in TFA-d. Spectrum recorded at 25°C after dilution with DMSO-d.



**Figure S2** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **PUM310CO** crystals after digestion in TFA-d. Spectrum recorded at 25°C after dilution with DMSO-d.



**Figure S3** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **PUM310Me**<sub>2</sub> crystals after digestion in TFA-d. Spectrum recorded at 25°C after dilution with DMSO-d.

## **TGA** analyses



Figure S4 TGA trace of PUM310 (red), PUM310-a (blue) and PUM310-a' (light blue).



Figure S5 TGA trace of PUM310CO.



Figure S6 TGA trace of PUM310Me<sub>2</sub>.

#### Crystallography



**Figure S7** Ortep drawing of the ASU of **PUM310** All non-hydrogen atoms are shown as ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. H atoms (isotropically refined) are reported in capped-stick style for the sake of clarity. Colour code: red=O, blue=N, white=C.



**Figure S8** Ortep drawing of the ASU of **PUM310CO**. All non-hydrogen atoms are shown as ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. H atoms (isotropically refined) are reported in capped-stick style for the sake of clarity. Colour code: red=O, blue=N, white=C. Disordered ligand is reported for completeness.



**Figure S9** Ortep drawing of the ASU of **PUM310Me**<sub>2</sub>. All non-hydrogen atoms are shown as ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. H atoms (isotropically refined) are reported in capped-stick style for the sake of clarity. Colour code: red=O, blue=N, white=C.

## **Topological analysis**



**Figure S10** Molecular views of two catenated cubic cages of the thick layers in (a) **PUM310**, (b) **PUM310CO** and (c) **PUM310Me**<sub>2</sub> showing the arrangement of the ligands in the three structures.

#### **MOF** activation-XRPD analysis



Figure S11 Comparison between the calculated XRPD trace of PUM310 (black) and PUM310-a' (blue).

#### Volumetric adsorption properties

**PUM310, PUM310CO** and **PUM310Me<sub>2</sub>** were subjected to  $N_2$  and  $CO_2$  adsorption isotherm analyses.

 $N_2$  adsorption isotherms at 77 K and  $CO_2$  adsorption isotherms at 195 K were collected up to 1 bar using Micromeritics analyser ASAP2020 HD. **PUM310Me**<sub>2</sub> was previously activated at 70°C under dynamic vacuum for 5 hours, then overnight under dynamic vacuum before the collection of  $N_2$  and  $CO_2$  isotherms. **PUM310** underwent a thermal treatment at 70°C under dynamic vacuum for 2h, then at 60°C for 30 min and outgassing overnight under dynamic vacuum before gas adsorption measurements.



**Figure S12** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherms, collected at 77 K, of **PUM310** (red diamonds) and **PUM310Me2** (blue circles).



Figure S13 CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherms, collected at 195 K, of PUM310 (red diamonds) and PUM310Me<sub>2</sub> (blue circles).

Sample	$CO_2$ adsorption at 0.98 p/p°
	(mmol/g)
PUM310	3.09
PUM310Me <sub>2</sub>	0.76

For **PUM310CO** no significative results were obtained.

#### Luminescence and UV-vis characterization



**Figure S14** Top: solid state absorption, fluorescence emission and excitation spectra of  $H_2$ ndca. Bottom: absorption and emission spectra of  $H_2$ ndca in DMF. The corresponding excitation and emission wavelengths are reported in the legend.

The emission spectrum recorded on a thin film of ground powders of  $H_2$ ndca is characterized by a broad emission band peaked at 450 nm, which is absent in the spectrum of  $H_2$ ndca in solution, and could be due to the formation of excimer species. In the solid-state emission spectrum, a reminder of the emission band of  $H_2$ ndca in solution is observed, recognizable thanks to the vibronic peaks (350-400 nm spectral region).



**Figure S15** Comparison between solid state absorption of **1**, **2**, **3** (from top to bottom) and emission of  $H_2$ ndca when incorporated in the corresponding MOFs structure.