# **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Photofluorochromic Organic Supramolecular Compounds for Multiple Dynamic

### Anticounterfeiting

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#### 1. Experimental section

#### Materials and characterization methods

All reagents were purchased commercially and used without further purification. The ligands Bmypd, Pbpy and Bpyen were synthesized as reported. The IR spectra were measured by a Mattson Alpha-Centauri spectrometer. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns were collected on Rigaku Dmax 2000 X-ray diffractometer using Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.15418$  Å) at room temperature in the 2 $\theta$  range of 5–50°. UV– Vis absorption spectra were measured on a Cary7000 UV-Vis-NIR spectrophotometer. ESR spectra were recorded at X-band frequency (9.867 GHz) on a Bruker ELEXSYS E500 spectrometer. TG analysis was performed on a Perkin-Elmer model TG-7 analyzer from room temperature to 800 °C under nitrogen. A PLSSXE300C 300 W xenon lamp (ca. 2.4 W/cm<sup>2</sup>) was used to illuminate samples for achieving various spectra. Fluorescence spectra were obtained with a FLSP920 fluorescence spectrometer equipped with a 450 W Xe lamp and a R928P PMT detector. A UV light (15 W) was used for photofluorescent color change. Elemental analyses were performed on a PerkinElmer 2400 CHN elemental analyzer.

#### Preparation of anti-counterfeiting images

First, we prepared the "38", "77", "NENU", "sad face" and QR code anti-counterfeiting image model. Different samples are filled up the "38", "77", and "NENU" models for further photo-treat. For hybrid twodimensional code, compound 1 is filled into the QR code model, sealed with a transparent film, and then a transparent film compound 2 is covered to the first layer of the film. The depth of the model and the film is 0.2mm.



Scheme 1. The molecular structure of (Bmypd)Cl<sub>2</sub>, (Pbpy)Cl<sub>2</sub>, (Bpyen)Br<sub>2</sub>.



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# Tables.

| Empirical formula                   | C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>46</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>19</sub> (1) | C <sub>38</sub> H <sub>36</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub> (2) | C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>32</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>16</sub> (3) |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Formula                             | 1052.93  | 722.69   | 846.70   |
| T (K)                               | 295  | 295  | 284  |
| Crystal system                      | monoclinic   | Monoclinic   | Triclinic  |
| Space group                         | $P2_{1}/n$   | $P2_{1}/n$   | PĪ   |
| a (Å)                               | 13.9394(15)  | 9.191(3)   | 8.0044(2)  |
| b (Å)                               | 17.884(2)  | 12.609(4)  | 9.6508(2)  |
| c (Å)                               | 19.2029(17)  | 14.370(4)  | 12.8662(3)   |
| α (°)                               | 90   | 90   | 71.243(1)  |
| β (°)                               | 94.343(3)  | 94.56(2)   | 73.948(1)  |
| γ (°)                               | 90   | 90   | 73.077(1)  |
| V(Å <sup>3</sup> )                  | 4773.4(9)  | 1660.1(9)  | 881.82(4)  |
| Z                                   | 4  | 2  | 1  |
| $D_x/Mg \ m^{-3}$                   | 1.465  | 1.450  | 1.598  |
| F(000)                              | 2192   | 756  | 438  |
| $U(mm^{-1})$                        | 0.113  | 0.900  | 1.060  |
| GOF                                 | 1.017  | 1.008  | 1.038  |
| $R_1 \left[ I > 2\sigma(I) \right]$ | 0.0747   | 0.0602   | 0.0429   |
| $wR_2 [I > 2\sigma(I)]$             | 0.2126   | 0.1706   | 0.1235   |
| CCDC                                | 2304097  | 2372803  | 2372809  |

 Table S1. Crystal Data and Structure Refinements for 1, 2, 3

### Table S2. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg) for 1.

| bond lengths (Å) |          | angles (deg)     |          |
|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| C(1)-C(2)        | 1.384(6) | C(1)-N(1)-C(5)   | 117.5(4) |
| C(2)-C(3)        | 1.375(6) | C(2)-C(3)-C(4)   | 116.4(4) |
| C(3)-C(4)        | 1.338(6) | C(3)-C(2)-C(1)   | 119.5(4) |
| C(4)-C(5)        | 1.373(6) | C(4)-C(3)-C(6)   | 121.0(4) |
| N(1)- C(1)       | 1.312(6) | N(1)-C(1)-C(2)   | 123.6(4) |
| N(2)- C(11)      | 1.476(5) | N(2)-C(9)-C(10)  | 120.6(4) |
| N(3)- C(24)      | 1.481(5) | O(1)-C(44)-C(36) | 114.4(3) |
| O(1)-C(44)       | 1.297(5) | O(1)-C(44)-C(36) | 121.4(4) |

| O(2)-C(44) | 1.200(5) | O(3)-C(43)-C(37) | 120.7(4) |
|------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| O(3)-C(43) | 1.215(6) | O(3)-C(43)-O(4)  | 126.9(4) |

| bond lengths (Å)       |          | angles (deg)     |          |
|------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| C(1)-C(4) <sup>1</sup> | 1.390(3) | C(1)1-C(4)-C(6)  | 122.1(2) |
| $C(2)-C(12)^2$         | 1.377(5) | C(2)2-C(12)-C(7) | 120.9(3) |
| C(3)-C(15)             | 1.363(5) | C(3)-C(14)-C(16) | 122.2(3) |
| C(6)-C(8)              | 1.517(4) | C(4)-C(6)-C(8)   | 119.5(2) |
| N(1)-C(5)              | 1.332(4) | N(1)-C(5)-C(19)  | 121.1(3) |
| N(2)-C(9)              | 1.330(5) | N(1)-C(7)-C(12)  | 111.3(3) |
| O(1)-C(10)             | 1.292(3) | N(2)-C(17)-C(11) | 124.0(4) |
| O(1)-C(10)             | 1.292(3) | O(1)-C(10)-C(1)  | 113.7(2) |
| O(3)-C(8)              | 1.222(4) | O(3)-C(8)-O(4)   | 125.1(3) |
| O(4)-C(8)              | 1.249(4) | O(4)-C(8)-C(6)   | 116.1(3) |

Table S3. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg) for 2.

Table S4. Selected bond lengths  $(\text{\AA})$  and angles (deg) for 3.

| bond lengths (Å) |          | angles (deg)   |            |
|------------------|----------|----------------|------------|
| C(2)-C(1)        | 1.376(3) | C(1)-C(2)-C(3) | 120.0(2)   |
| C(4)-C(5)        | 1.382(3) | C(2)-C(3)-C(4) | 118.15(18) |
| C(6)-C(3)        | 1.486(3) | C(4)-C(3)-C(6) | 122.22(18) |
| C(7)-C(8)        | 1.369(3) | C(5)-C(4)-C(3) | 118.9(2)   |
| N(1)-C(1)        | 1.326(3) | N(1)-C(1)-C(2) | 120.7(2)   |
| N(1)-C(5)        | 1.334(3) | N(1)-C(5)-C(4) | 121.2(2)   |
| N(2)-C(8)        | 1.338(3) | N(2)-C(8)-C(7) | 120.53(18) |

| O(1)-C(16) | 1.273(3) | O(1)-C(16)-C(15) | 112.12(18) |
|------------|----------|------------------|------------|
| O(2)-C(16) | 1.215(3) | O(2)-C(16)-C(15) | 120.96(18) |
| O(3)-C(18) | 1.289(2) | O(3)-C(18)-C(17) | 113.38(16) |