

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI) for

Ni(II)MOF based hypersensitive dual-function luminescent sensor towards 3-nitrotyrosine biomarker and 6-propyl-2-thiouracil antithyroid drug in urine

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Materials and Methods. H₂L, selected analytes, as well as all other starting reagents are readily obtainable from commercial sources and were utilized directly. The EA-1110 elemental analyzer is utilized for conducting the elemental analysis of carbon, oxygen, and hydrogen. FT-IR spectrum was captured precisely using a Nicolet NEXUS-670 FT-IR spectrometer, employing the KBr pellet. TG-DTG curve was acquired *via* a PerkinElmer DTA-5 6000 synchronous thermal analyzer, encompassing a temperature range from 30°C to 800°C under N₂ atmosphere, with a gradual heating rate of 10°C per minute. PXRD data were comprehensively gathered using a Rigaku D/Max-2500 PC diffractometer ($\lambda=1.5418$ Å). UV-vis diffuse reflectance spectra were gathered utilizing a JASCO V-750 spectrophotometer. Additionally, luminescent spectra were collected by a Hitachi F-4600 spectrophotometer, with a 450 W Xenon lamp as excitation source.

10 Preparation of $\{[\text{Ni}_3(\text{L})_3(\mu_2\text{-H}_2\text{O})]\cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}\cdot 2\text{DMA}\}_n$ (NiMOF). A mixture comprising 0.02 mmol H₂L, 0.06 mmol NiCl₂·6H₂O, 2 mL acetonitrile, 3 mL DMA, and 3 mL H₂O were sequentially added into the PTFE lining of 25 mL stainless steel reaction and heated at 120°C for 3 days. After cooled to room temperature at a 10 °C/h decreasing rate, the green block crystals of NiMOF were obtained with a 39 % yield (based on H₂L). Anal. Calcd for C₅₆H₇₀N₂Ni₃O₂₈: C, 48.21; N, 2.01; H, 5.06. Found: C, 48.52; N, 1.98; H, 5.19. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3428(w), 2825(w), 15 2360(w), 1623 (vs), 1394 (vs), 1182 (w), 1008 (w), 782 (s), 678 (s).

X-ray Crystallography. A flawless, green block crystal of NiMOF was diligently chosen and performed to a Rigaku XtaLAB Synergy diffractometer to acquire single-crystal X-ray diffraction data through the utilization of Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda=0.71073$ Å) at 150 K. Subsequently, the crystal structure of NiMOF was analyzed and refined with the assistance of the SHELXL-2018/3 package. Free solvents were omitted and were determined based on the results of 20 EA and TGA. Due to the flexible backbone of H₂L ligand, related carbon atoms exhibited disorder, necessitating refinement with an occupancy ratio of 86:14 for C8, C9 and C8', C9', and 38.3:61.7 for C18-C24 and C18'-C24', respectively. Refined cif file of NiMOF has been deposited at <https://ccdc.cam.ac.uk>, with the CCDC number is 2370376. Table S2 provides comprehensive crystallographic data and details of the NiMOF crystal structure. Additionally, the Ni-O bond distances and select bond angles of NiMOF were listed in Table S3.

25 Luminescent Sensing Operation. Initially, the preparation of the tested samples involved the incorporation of 1 mg of thoroughly ground NiMOF powder into 2 mL aqueous solutions containing 10 mM urine species of ammonium chloride (NH₄Cl), urea, potassium chloride (KCl), uric acid (UA), calcium chloride (CaCl₂), cysteine (Cys), creatinine (Crea), Creatine (Cre), sodium chloride (NaCl), glucose (Gluc), magnesium chloride (MgCl₂), phenylalanine (Phe), histidine (His), 3-NT biomarker, and antithyroid drug of 6-PTU. Subsequently, 30 the luminescent sensing capabilities of these analytes in the NiMOF suspensions were evaluated using a Hitachi F-4600 spectrophotometer. Furthermore, gradient titration experiments were conducted in water and 100-fold diluted urine by adding varying volumes of 3-NT or 6-PTU into the NiMOF suspensions, and corresponding response emission spectra were recorded. Additionally, to evaluate the anti-interference capabilities of NiMOF in detecting 6-PTU and 3-NT, equimolar concentrations of interfering species were introduced into NiMOF 35 suspensions containing 10 mM of the target analytes. Lastly, the reusability of NiMOF in detecting 6-PTU and 3-NT was assessed by utilizing recycled NiMOF samples that had undergone filtration, washing, and drying procedures.

Table S1 Comparative performances of MOFs-based luminescent sensors in detecting 3-NT biomarker.

	MOFs Based Sensor	K_{sv} (M^{-1})	LOD (μM)	Media	Reference
1	HfMOF	3.10×10^4	0.54	HEPES solution	42
2	ZnMOF	6.59×10^4	0.31	H ₂ O	43
3	CdMOF	9.58×10^4	0.43	H ₂ O	44
4	CoMOF-1	9.19×10^4	0.10	PBS solution	45
5	CoMOF-2	1.05×10^5	0.09	PBS solution	45
6	CuMOF	1.94×10^4	0.49	H ₂ O	46
7	NiMOF	1.42×10^5	0.17	H ₂ O	35
8	NiMOF	3.11×10^4	0.31	H ₂ O	This work

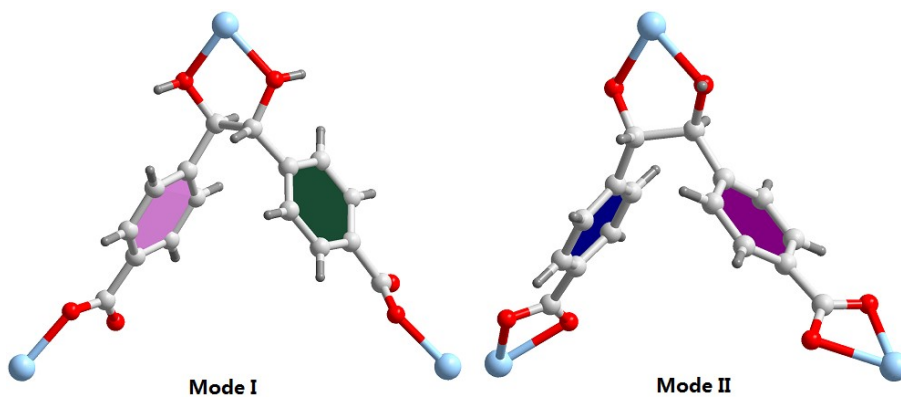
Table S2 Crystal data of NiMOF.

Empirical formula	C ₄₈ H ₄₀ Ni ₃ O ₂₀
Formula weight	1112.93
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	C2/c
a [\AA]	23.2911(15)
b [\AA]	18.3233(11)
c [\AA]	16.5576(9)
α ($^\circ$)	90
β ($^\circ$)	104.174(2)
γ ($^\circ$)	90
V [\AA^3]	6851.2(7)
Z	4
D_c ($\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$)	1.078
$F(000)$	2288
μ (Mo $K\alpha$)/ mm^{-1}	0.872
Data/restraints/parameters	7044/391/422
R_{int}	0.0774
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.073
$R_1, wR_2 [I > 2\sigma(I)]$	0.0438, 0.1062
R_1, wR_2 (all data)	0.0638, 0.1143
CCDC number	2370376

5 Table S3 Selected bond lengths (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) of NiMOF.

Ni(1)-O(5)	2.067(2)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(6)	83.72(9)	O(2)-Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#6}	89.03(7)
Ni(1)-O(6)	2.070(2)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(4) ^{#1}	92.53(9)	O(9) ^{#3} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#6}	91.28(8)
Ni(1)-O(4) ^{#1}	2.0795(19)	O(6)-Ni(1)-O(4) ^{#1}	176.09(9)	O(9) ^{#4} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#6}	93.60(8)
Ni(1)-O(1)	2.0812(18)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(1)	95.79(10)	O(2)-Ni(2)-O(2) ^{#2}	92.85(10)
Ni(1)-O(8)	2.0853(19)	O(6)-Ni(1)-O(1)	89.68(8)	O(2)-Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#3}	92.13(8)
Ni(1)-O(7)	2.1886(19)	O(4) ^{#1} -Ni(1)-O(1)	91.82(7)	O(2) ^{#2} -Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#3}	174.50(8)
Ni(2)-O(2) ^{#2}	2.0841(17)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(8)	167.95(10)	O(2)-Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#4}	174.51(8)
Ni(2)-O(2) ^{#2}	2.0841(17)	O(6)-Ni(1)-O(8)	91.98(8)	(2) ^{#2} -Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#4}	92.13(8)
Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#3}	2.090(2)	O(4) ^{#1} -Ni(1)-O(8)	91.47(8)	O(9) ^{#3} -Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#4}	82.99(12)
Ni(2)-O(9) ^{#4}	2.090(2)	O(1)-Ni(1)-O(8)	95.44(7)	O(2)-Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#5}	86.48(7)
Ni(2)-O(1) ^{#5}	2.1349(19)	O(5)-Ni(1)-O(7)	107.18(10)	O(2) ^{#2} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#5}	89.03(7)
Ni(2)-O(1) ^{#6}	2.1349(19)	O(6)-Ni(1)-O(7)	92.57(9)	O(9) ^{#3} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#5}	93.60(8)
		O(4) ^{#1} -Ni(1)-O(7)	87.45(8)	O(9) ^{#4} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#5}	91.28(8)
		O(1)-Ni(1)-O(7)	157.02(7)	O(2) ^{#2} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#6}	86.47(7)
		O(8)-Ni(1)-O(7)	61.64(7)	O(1W) ^{#5} -Ni(2)-O(1W) ^{#6}	173.48(9)

Symmetry codes: #1 0.5-x, -0.5+y, 1.5-z; #2 -x, y, 0.5-z; #3 x, 1+y, z; #4 -x, 1+y, 0.5-z; #5 x, 1-y, -0.5+z; #6 x, 1-y, -0.5+z.



Mode I **Mode II**
Fig. S1 The coordination modes of H₂L in the assembly of NiMOF.

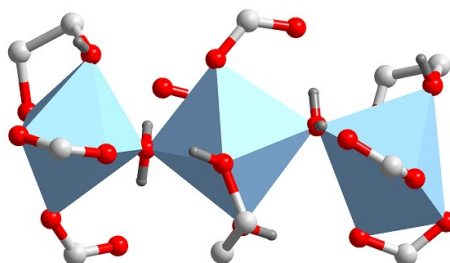


Fig. S2 The trinuclear cluster in NiMOF.

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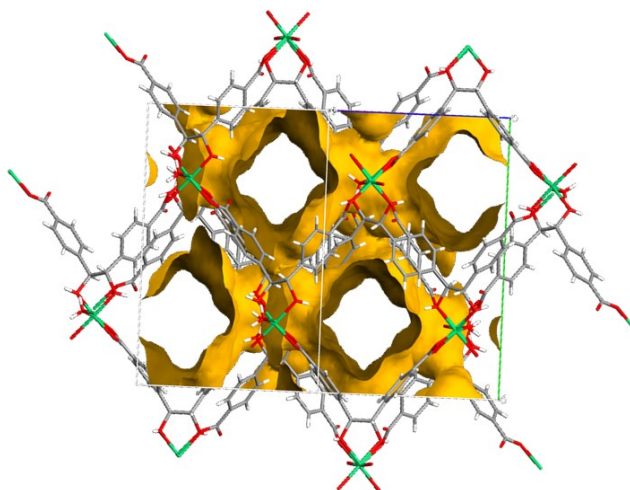


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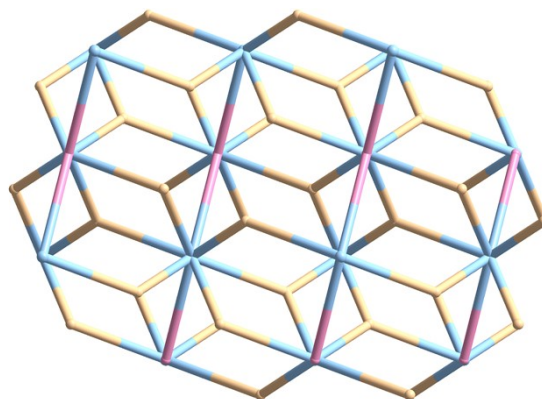


Fig. S4 The simplified 3,9-c{4².6}₃{4⁶.6²¹.8⁹}-x mz net for NiMOF.

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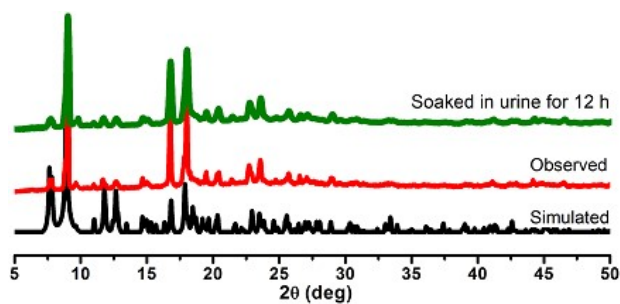
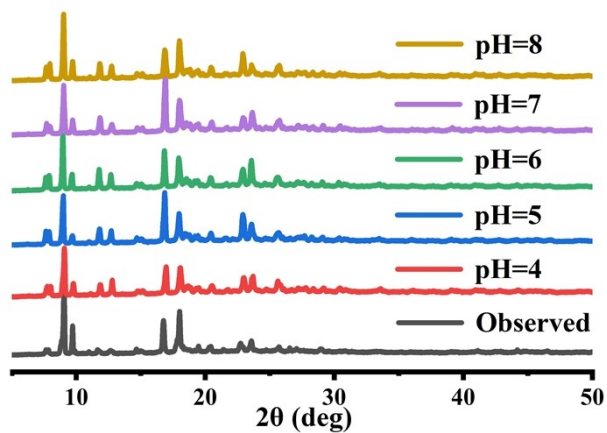


Fig. S5 PXRD patterns of NiMOF.



5 Fig. S6 PXRD patterns of NiMOF after immersed in aqueous solution with different pH values for 12 hours.

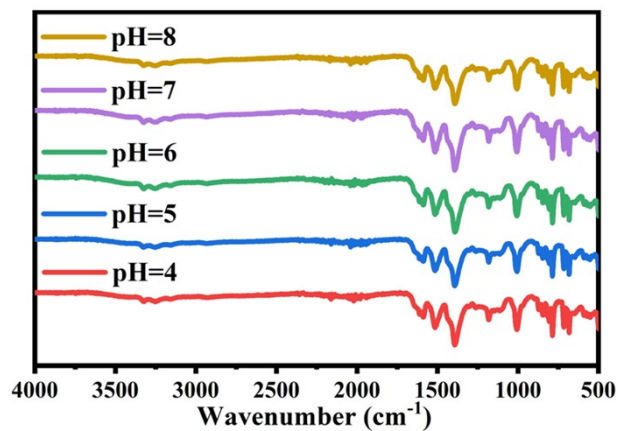


Fig. S7 FT-IR spectra of NiMOF immersed in aqueous solution with different pH values for 12 hours.

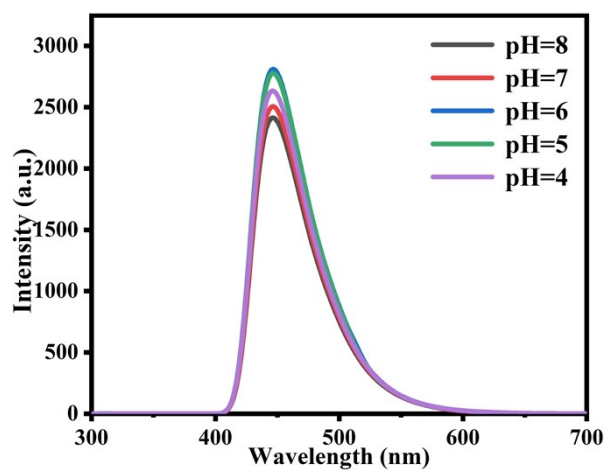


Fig. S8 Emission spectra of NiMOF suspensions in aqueous solutions at pH = 4-8.

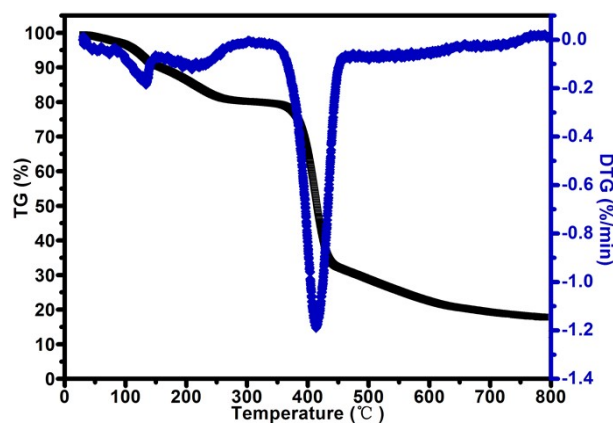


Fig. S9 TG-DTG curve of NiMOF.

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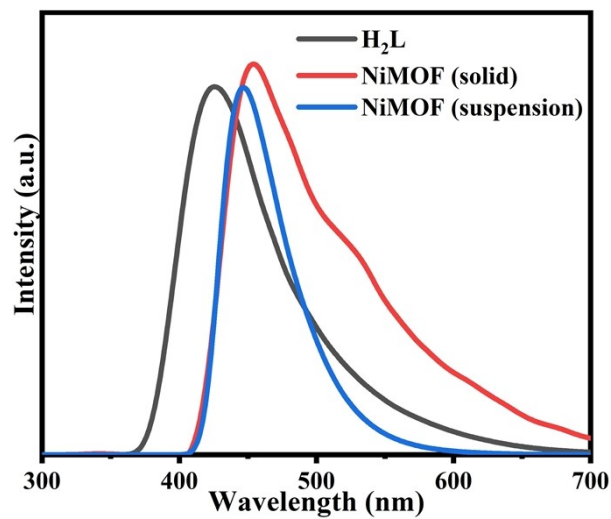


Fig. S10 Luminescence of H₂L and NiMOF.

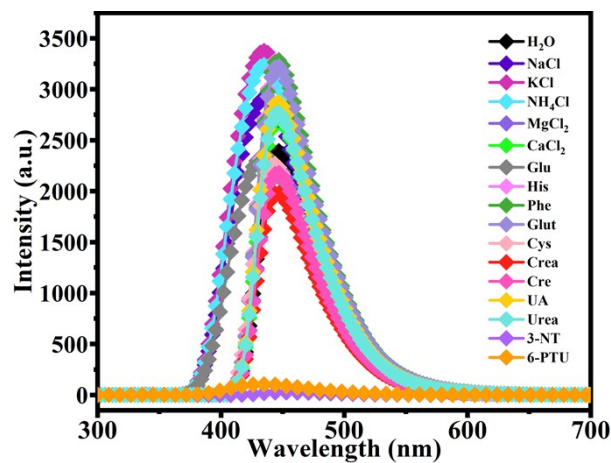
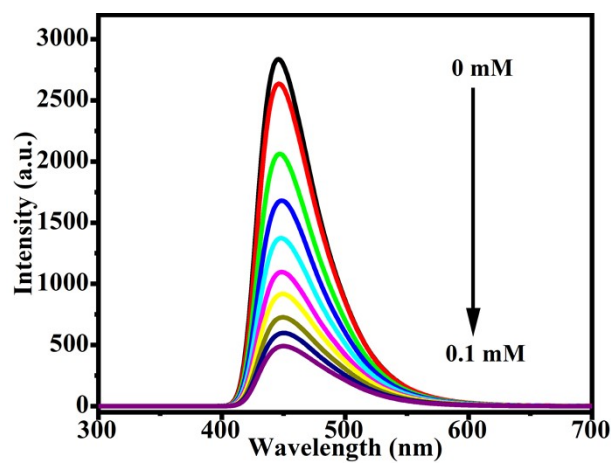


Fig. S11 Emission spectra of NiMOF suspensions in aqueous solution containing 10 mM urine analytes.



5 Fig. S12 Emission spectra of the suspensions of NiMOF by gradual addition of 3-NT.

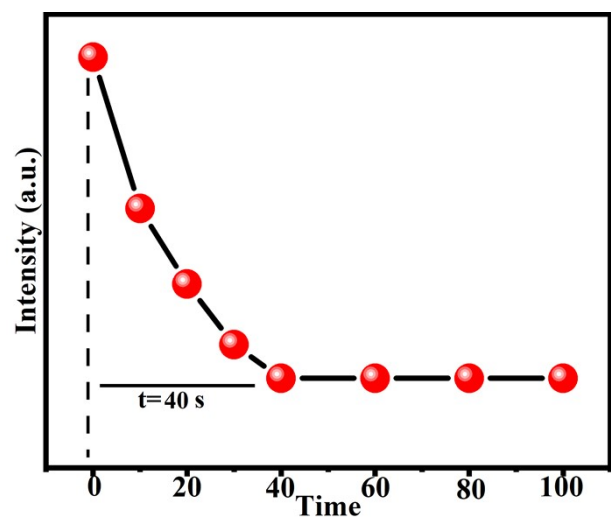


Fig. S13 The response time of NiMOF in sensing 3-NT in aqueous solutions.

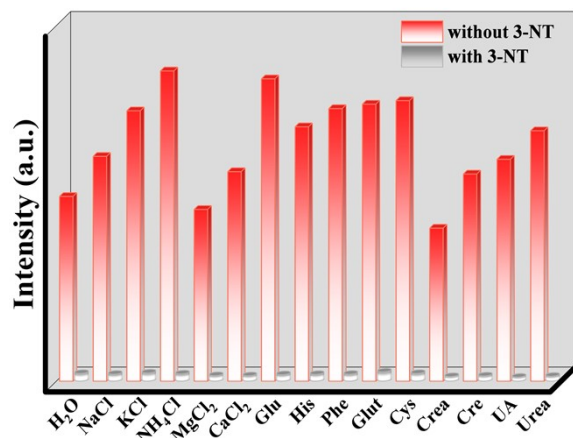
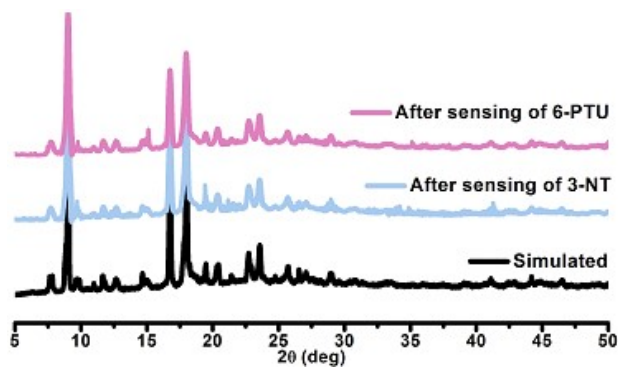


Fig. S14 Anti-interference performance of NiMOF in sensing 3-NT in aqueous solutions.



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Fig.S15 PXRD patterns of NiMOF after 5 cycles sensing 3-NT and 6-PTU.

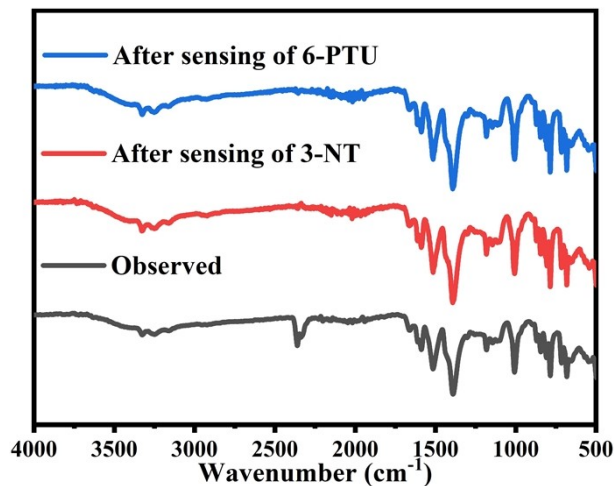


Fig. S16 FT-IR spectra of NiMOF after 5 cycles sensing 3-NT and 6-PTU.

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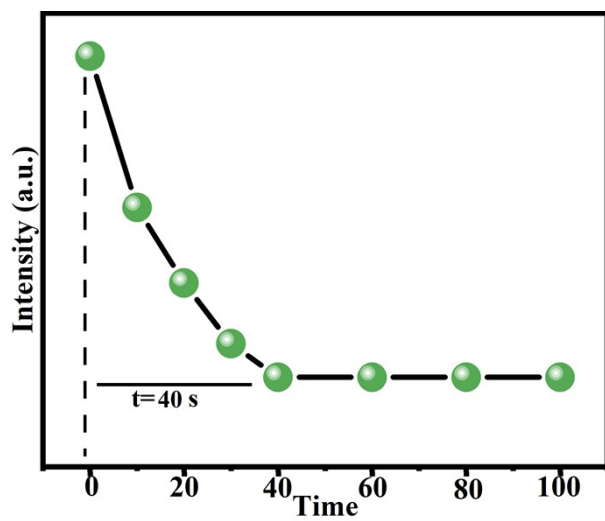
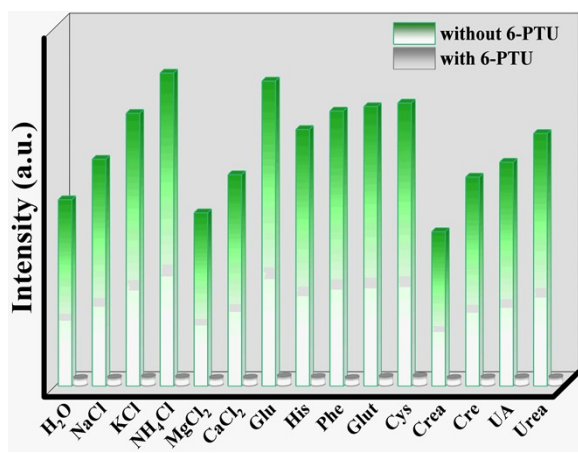


Fig. S17 The response time of NiMOF in sensing 6-PTU in aqueous solutions.



5 Fig. S18 Anti-interference performance of NiMOF in sensing 6-PTU in aqueous solutions.

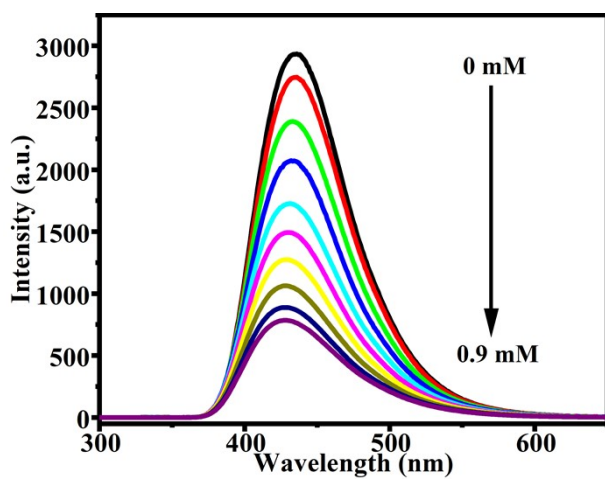
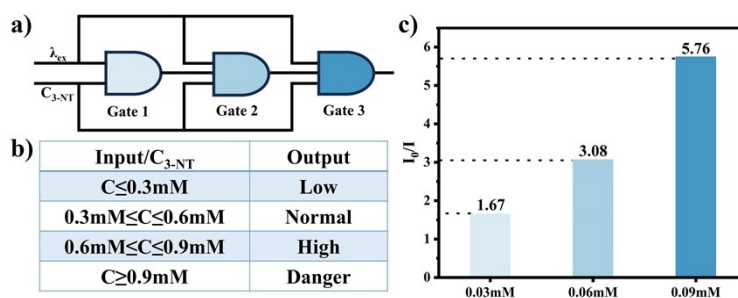


Fig. S19 Emission spectra of the suspensions of NiMOF by gradual addition of 6-PTU.

Gate 1			Gate 2				Gate 3			
Input 1		Output 1	Input 2		Output 2	Input 3		Output 2	Output 3	
C_{6-PTU}	$\lambda_{EX}=336nm$		C_{6-PTU}	$\lambda_{EX}=336nm$		C_{6-PTU}	$\lambda_{EX}=336nm$			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0		
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		

Fig. S20 The truth table of Gate 1, Gate 2 and Gate 3 in 6-PTU detection.



5 Fig. S21 (a) The electronic equivalent circuit utilizing tandem combinational logic gates of 3-NT. (b) Threshold histograms depicting the relative luminescence intensity (I_0/I) for each individual logic gate of 3-NT. (c) Output signals aligned with varying C_{3-NT} inputs.

Gate 1			Gate 2				Gate 3			
Input 1		Output 1	Input 2		Output 2	Input 3		Output 2	Output 3	
λ_{ex}	C_{3-NT}		λ_{ex}	C_{3-NT}		λ_{ex}	C_{3-NT}			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0		
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0		
			1	0	1	0	1	0		
			1	1	0	0	1	0		
			0	1	1	0	0	0		
			0	1	1	1	1	0		
			1	1	1	1	1	1		

Fig. S22 The truth table of Gate 1, Gate 2 and Gate 3 in 3-NT detection.