

**A Fluorescent Bis(benzoxazole) Ligand: Toward Binuclear Zn(II)-Zn(II)
Assembly**

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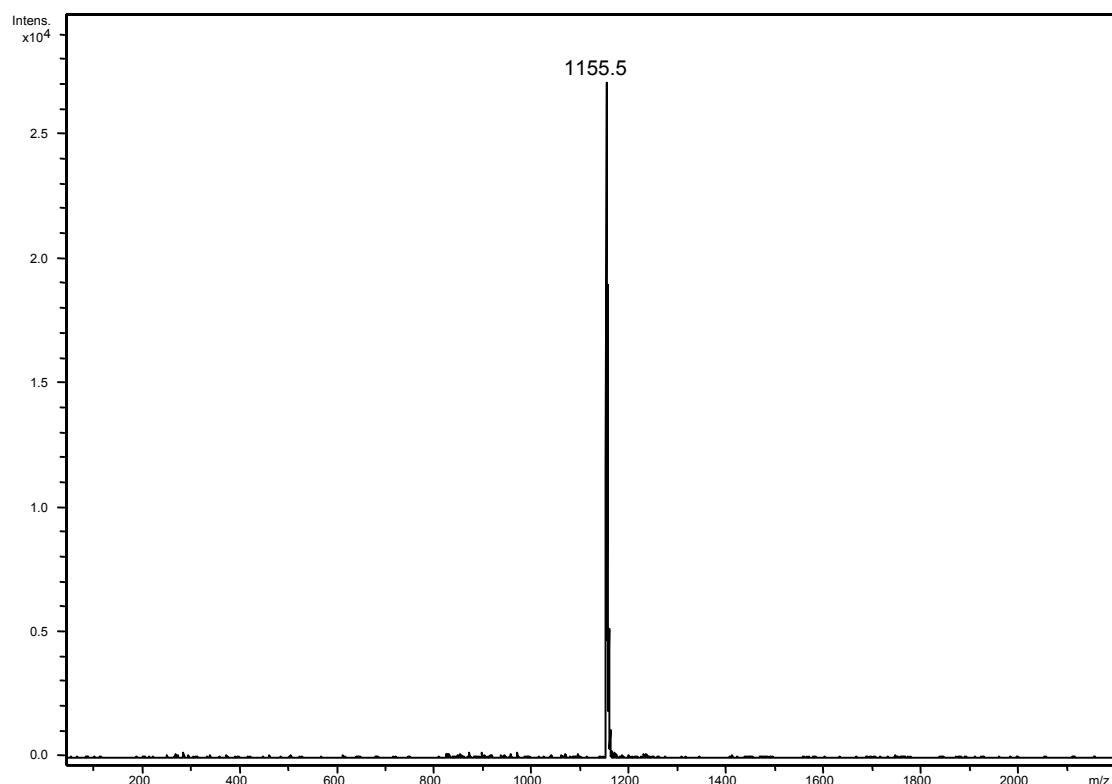


Figure S1. ESI-MS spectra of **5** detected the mass of Zn_2L_3 at 1155 without finding Zn_2L_4 at 1496.

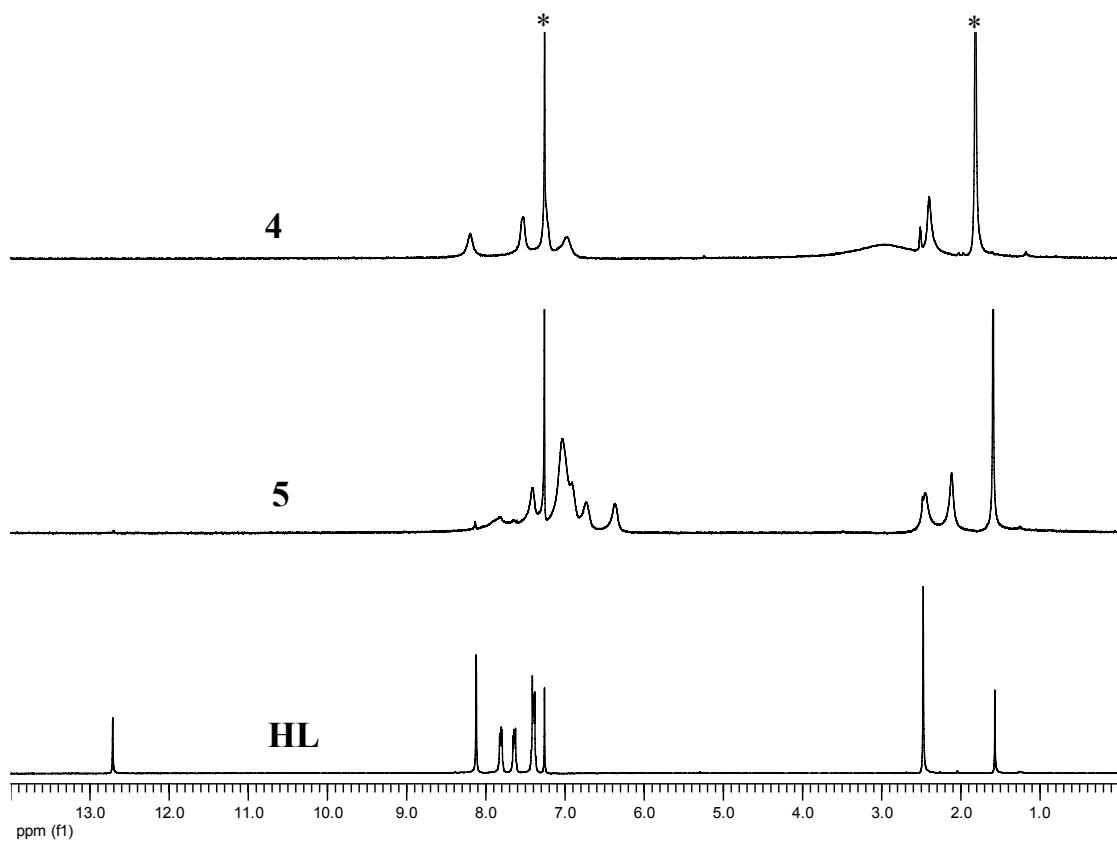


Figure S2. The NMR spectra of ligand (bottom) and complexes **4** and **5**. The starred (*) signals at 7.25 and 1.5 ppm are attributed to solvent CHCl_3 and water, respectively.

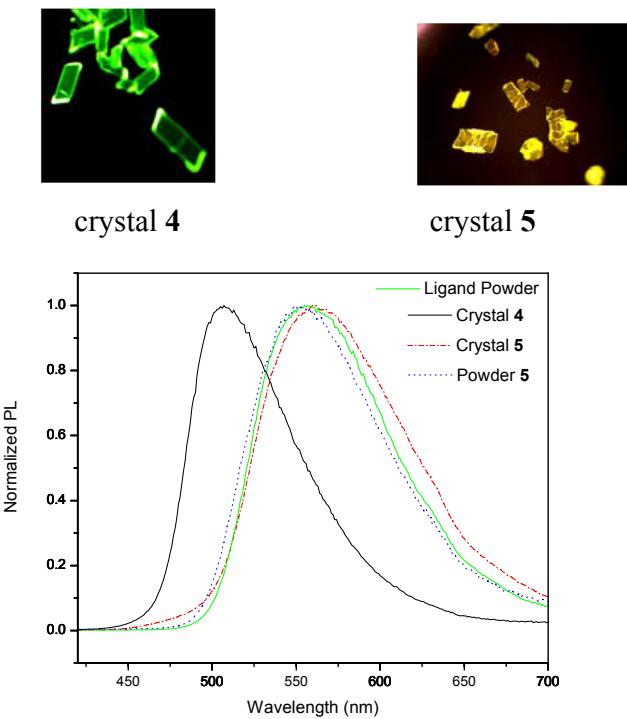


Figure S3. Images of fluorescent crystals **4** and **5** when excited with blue light (top); and their emission spectra (bottom).

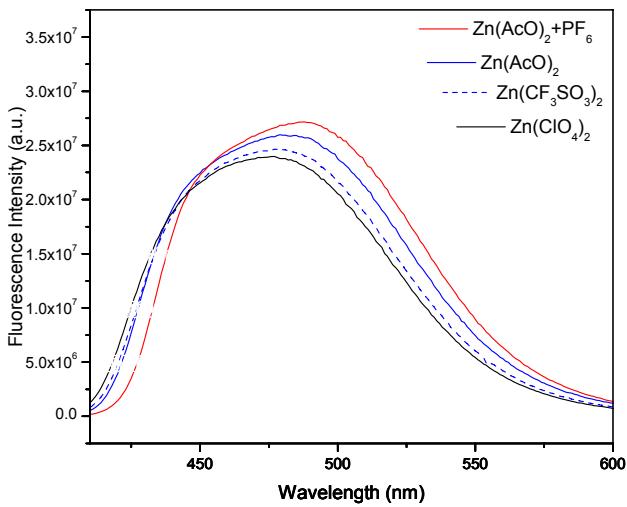


Figure S4. Effects of different counter ions (Y^-) on the fluorescence of $\text{Zn}_2\text{L}_2\text{Y}_2$ in THF.

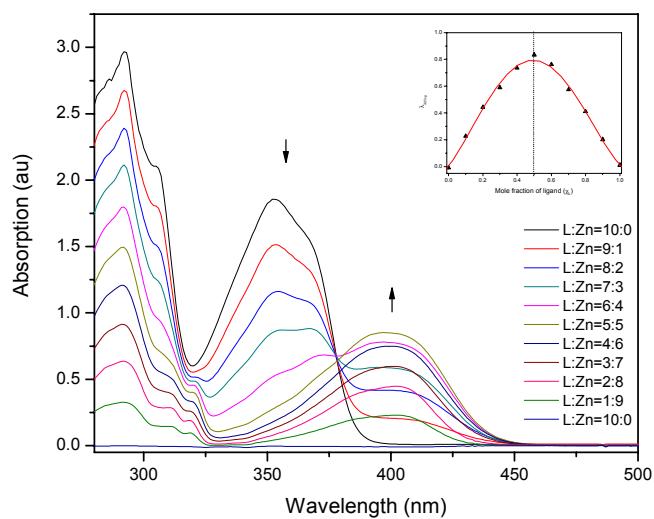


Figure S5. Job's titration plot of ligand **HL** in CHCl_3 with $\text{Zn(OAc)}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in DMSO, showing the 1:1 ratio in the metal complex.

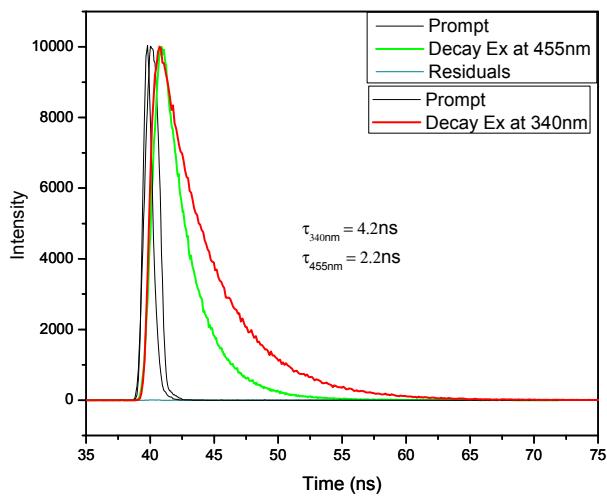


Figure S6. Time-domain of fluorescence decays of **5** in CHCl_3 when excited at 340 and 455 nm.

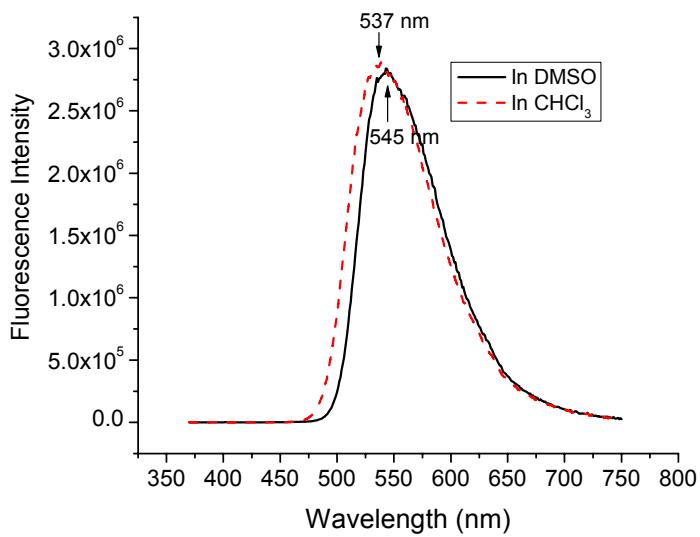


Figure S7. Fluorescence spectra of ligand in CHCl_3 ($\lambda_{\text{em}}=537 \text{ nm}$) and in DMSO ($\lambda_{\text{em}}=545 \text{ nm}$).