Supplementary Material

Controlling emission energy in metal–organic frameworks featuring cyclometalated iridium(III) linkers

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Figure S1. Partial ¹H NMR spectra (400 MHz, d_6 -DMSO, 298 °K) of [Ir(bt)₂(Hdcbpy)] immediately after preparation (blue) and measured again after seven days (red). Asterisks (*) denote free H₂dcbpy ligand, plus symbols (+) denote residual water.



Figure S2. Mass spectra (positive ion) of (a) $[Ir(piq)_2(H_2dcbpy)]^+$ and (b) $[Ir(bt)_2(H_2dcbpy)]^+$.



Figure S3. Powder X-ray Diffraction (PXRD) of $\{Ca[(Ir(ppy)_2(dcbpy)]_2 (DMF)_2\} \cdot 2H_2O(1) (blue) between 2 and 60° 20 v. the calculated pattern (black).$



Figure S4. PXRD of $\{Ca[(Ir(piq)_2(dcbpy)]_2 (DMF)_2\} \cdot 2H_2O(2)$ (blue) between 5 and 60° 2 θ *v*. the calculated pattern (black).



Figure S5. PXRD of $\{Ca[Ir(bt)_2(dcbpy)]_2(dcbpy)(H_2O)_2]\}\cdot 2DMF$ (**3**) (blue) between 5 and 60° 2 θ v. the calculated pattern (black).

| Compound | {Ca[(Ir(ppy) ₂ (dcbpy)] ₂ (DMF) ₂ }·2H ₂ O (1) | {Ca[(Ir(piq) ₂ (dcbpy)] ₂ (DMF) ₂ }·2H ₂ O (2) | {Ca[Ir(bt) ₂ (dcbpy)] ₂ (dcbpy)(H ₂ O) ₂]} ·2DMF (3) |
|--|---|---|---|
| Formula | $C_{74}H_{62}CaIr_2N_{10}O_{12}$ | $C_{90}H_{68}CaIr_2N_{10}O_{12}$ | $C_{91}H_{61}Ca_2Ir_2N_{11}O_{15}S_4$ |
| Formula Weight | 1707.81 | 1906.02 | 2141.30 |
| Temperature (K) | 100(2) | 100(2) | 100(2) |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic | Triclinic | Triclinic |
| Space Group | $P2_{1}/c$ | <i>P</i> -1 | <i>P</i> -1 |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 8.8330(18) | 8.8580(18) | 9.6380(19) |
| <i>b</i> (Å) | 36.811(7) | 16.029(3) | 18.941(4) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 10.533(2) | 19.758(4) | 22.687(5) |
| α (°) | 90 | 106.75(3) | 75.51(3) |
| β (°) | 100.29(3) | 96.19(3) | 88.64(3) |
| γ (°) | 90 | 105.00(3) | 88.30(3) |
| Cell Volume (Å ³) | 3369.8(12) | 2543.8(10) | 4007.5(15) |
| Ζ | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| ρ_{calc} (g cm ⁻³) | 1.683 | 1.244 | 1.775 |
| μ (mm ⁻¹) | 4.093 | 2.719 | 3.628 |
| F(000) | 1692.0 | 948.0 | 2124.0 |
| Crystal size (mm ³) | $0.1\times0.08\times0.05$ | $0.1 \times 0.03 \times 0.02$ | $0.1 \times 0.05 \times 0.05$ |
| Radiation | Synchrotron | Synchrotron | Synchrotron |
| | $(\lambda = 0.71073)$ | $(\lambda = 0.71073)$ | $(\lambda = 0.71073)$ |
| Reflections collected | 59450 | 44897 | 72417 |
| Independent | 9892 [$R_{int} = 0.0253$, | 12997 [$R_{int} = 0.0583$, | 20723 [$R_{\rm int} = 0.0215$, |
| reflections | $R_{sigma} = 0.0138$] | $R_{\rm sigma} = 0.0562$] | $R_{\rm sigma} = 0.0196$] |
| Data/restraints/ parameters | 9892/0/453 | 12997/0/525 | 20723/0/1130 |
| GooF | 1.074 | 1.053 | 1.079 |
| $R_1, \operatorname{wR}_2(I > 2\sigma(I))$ | $R_1 = 0.0463,$ | $R_1 = 0.0478,$ | $R_1 = 0.0326,$ |
| | $wR_2 = 0.1285$ | $wR_2 = 0.1381$ | $wR_2 = 0.0917$ |
| R_1 , wR_2 (all) | $R_1 = 0.0476,$ | $R_1 = 0.0523,$ | $R_1 = 0.0336,$ |
| | $wR_2 = 0.1303$ | $wR_2 = 0.1424$ | $wR_2 = 0.0927$ |
| Largest diff. peak/hole (eÅ ⁻³) | 1.66/-3.98 | 2.84/-1.61 | 2.68/-2.93 |

Table S1. Crystallographic parameters for compounds 1-3 in this study.



Figure S6. Structure of $\{Ca[Ir(ppy)_2(dcbpy)]_2(DMF)_2\}\cdot 2H_2O$ (1) showing the position of the water molecule sitting within a "pocket" in the framework structure with hydrogen bonds (shown in black and white) to oxygen atoms of two dcbpy ligands.



Figure S7. Structure of $\{Ca[Ir(piq)_2(dcbpy)]_2(DMF)_2\}\cdot 2H_2O$ (2) showing (a) the coordination environment around the Ca²⁺ ion (black, carbon; red, oxygen; blue, nitrogen; maroon, iridium; green, calcium), (b) the 1-D chain containing the iridium(III) metalloligand on the top and bottom of the chain (the coordinated DMF molecules have been hidden for clarity).



Figure S8. Thermal Gravimetric Analysis of $\{Ca[(Ir(ppy)_2(dcbpy)]_2(DMF)_2\}\cdot 2H_2O(1)\}$ between 25 and 400°C measured under nitrogen gas with a ramp rate of 10°C min⁻¹.



Figure S9. Thermal Gravimetric Analysis of $\{Ca[(Ir(piq)_2(dcbpy)]_2(DMF)_2\} \cdot 2H_2O(2)\}$ between 25 and 400°C measured under nitrogen gas with a ramp rate of 10°C min⁻¹.



Figure S10. Thermal Gravimetric Analysis of $\{Ca[Ir(bt)_2(dcbpy)]_2(dcbpy)(H_2O)_2]\}\cdot 2DMF$ (3) between 25 and 400°C measured under nitrogen gas with a ramp rate of 10°C min⁻¹.



Figure S11. Absorption spectra of iridium(III) metalloligands in a dichloromethane solution (25 μ M).



Figure S12. Normalised emission spectra of $[Ir(piq)_2(Hdcbpy)]$ in a dichloromethane solution (25 μ M, 350-nm excitation, dotted line), solid state powder (380-nm excitation, dashed line) and synthesised calcium(II) MOF (380-nm excitation, solid line).



Figure S13. ATR FT-IR spectra of ${Ca[(Ir(ppy)_2(dcbpy)]_2(DMF)_2} \cdot 2H_2O$ (1) between 4000 and 400 cm⁻¹.



Figure S14. ATR FT-IR spectra of $\{Ca[(Ir(piq)_2(dcbpy)]_2(DMF)_2\} \cdot 2H_2O(2)\}$ between 4000 and 400 cm⁻¹.



Figure S15. ATR FT-IR spectra of $\{Ca[Ir(bt)_2(dcbpy)]_2(dcbpy)(H_2O)_2]\}\cdot 2DMF$ (3) between 4000 and 400 cm⁻¹.