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Supplementary material

The Formation of Fluorescent Alkaline Earth Complexes by 4-{2-[10-(2-Morpholinoethyl)-9-anthryl]methyl}morpholine and its -Ethyl}morpholine and -Propyl}morpholine Analogues in Acetonitrile

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Fig. S1. The increase in emission of (1) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[\text{Ca}^{2+}] (1.00 \times 10^{-4} - 6.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 378 nm. The emission of (1) alone coincides with the base line.



Fig. S2. The increase in emission of (2) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[Mg^{2+}] (5.00 \times 10^{-6} - 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 365 nm. The lowest emission spectrum is that of (2) alone.



Fig. S3. The increase in emission of (2) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[\text{Sr}^{2+}] (1.00 \times 10^{-5} - 6.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 378 nm. The lowest emission spectrum is that of (2) alone.



Fig. S4. The increase in emission of (2) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[\text{Ba}^{2+}]$ $(1.00 \times 10^{-5} - 6.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 379 nm. The lowest emission spectrum is that of (2) alone.



Fig. S5. The increase in emission of (3) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[Mg^{2+}] (1.00 \times 10^{-6} - 8.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 377 nm. The lowest emission spectrum is that of (3) alone.



Fig. S6. The increase in emission of (3) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]$ $(5.00 \times 10^{-5} - 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 378 nm. The lowest emission spectrum is that of (3) alone.



Fig. S7. The increase in emission of (3) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ with $[\text{Ba}^{2+}]$ $(1.00 \times 10^{-4} - 6.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ in acetonitrile at $I = 0.05 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 378 nm. The lowest emission spectrum is that of (3) alone.



Fig. S8. Emission variation of (3) $(3.00 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3})$ at 403 nm with increase in $[Mg^{2+}]$ in acetonitrile and I = 0.05 mol dm⁻³ (NEt₄ClO₄) and 298.2 K when excited at 377 nm. The solid curves represent the best fit of the algorithm for the formation of $[Mg(3)]^{2+}$ and $[Mg(3)']^{2+}$ and $[Mg_2(3)]^{4+}$ to the experimental data points over the range 390-490 nm.