

# Towards magnetic and luminescent MOFs based on Ln(III) ions

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## INTRODUCTION

During the last two decades, MOFs (metal-organic frameworks) investigation has become of great attention for both the academia and the industry.<sup>1</sup> The structural diversity present in MOFs has significantly expanded the application of these new materials, which broadens from gas storage and separation, catalysis, biomedicine delivery, to chemical sensing.<sup>2</sup>

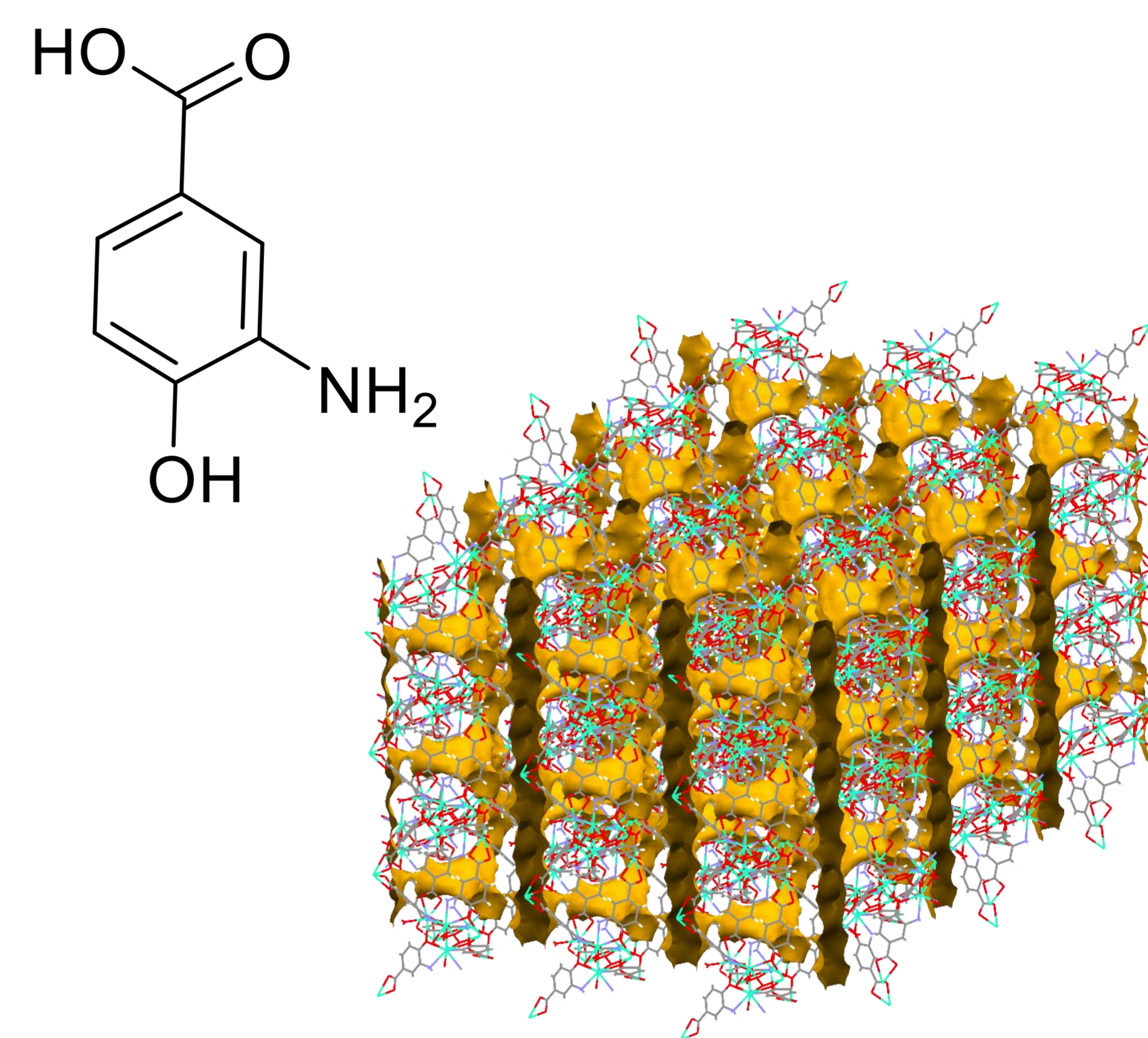
In this context, this work presents the synthesis and characterization of a family of three-dimensional MOFs based on Ln(III) ions and 3-amino-4-hydroxy benzoic acid (HL) multitopic ligand.

The reaction between HL with the corresponding lanthanide salt afforded ten new isostructural MOFs with the general formulae  $[Ln_5L_6(OH)_3(DMF)_3]_n \cdot 4DMF \cdot 4H_2O$ ; Ln= Nd (1), Sm (2), Eu (3), Gd (4), Tb (5), Dy (6), Ho (7), Er (8), Tm (9) and Yb (10).

Magnetic *ac* measurements studies has been carried out with compounds (6) and (8) showing no maxima in out-of-phase molar magnetic susceptibility plots. Taking into account that in each node five metal ions are interconnected among them, Y-Dy and Y-Er diluted sample's magnetic properties have been studied with the aim of isolating each paramagnetic metallic centre.

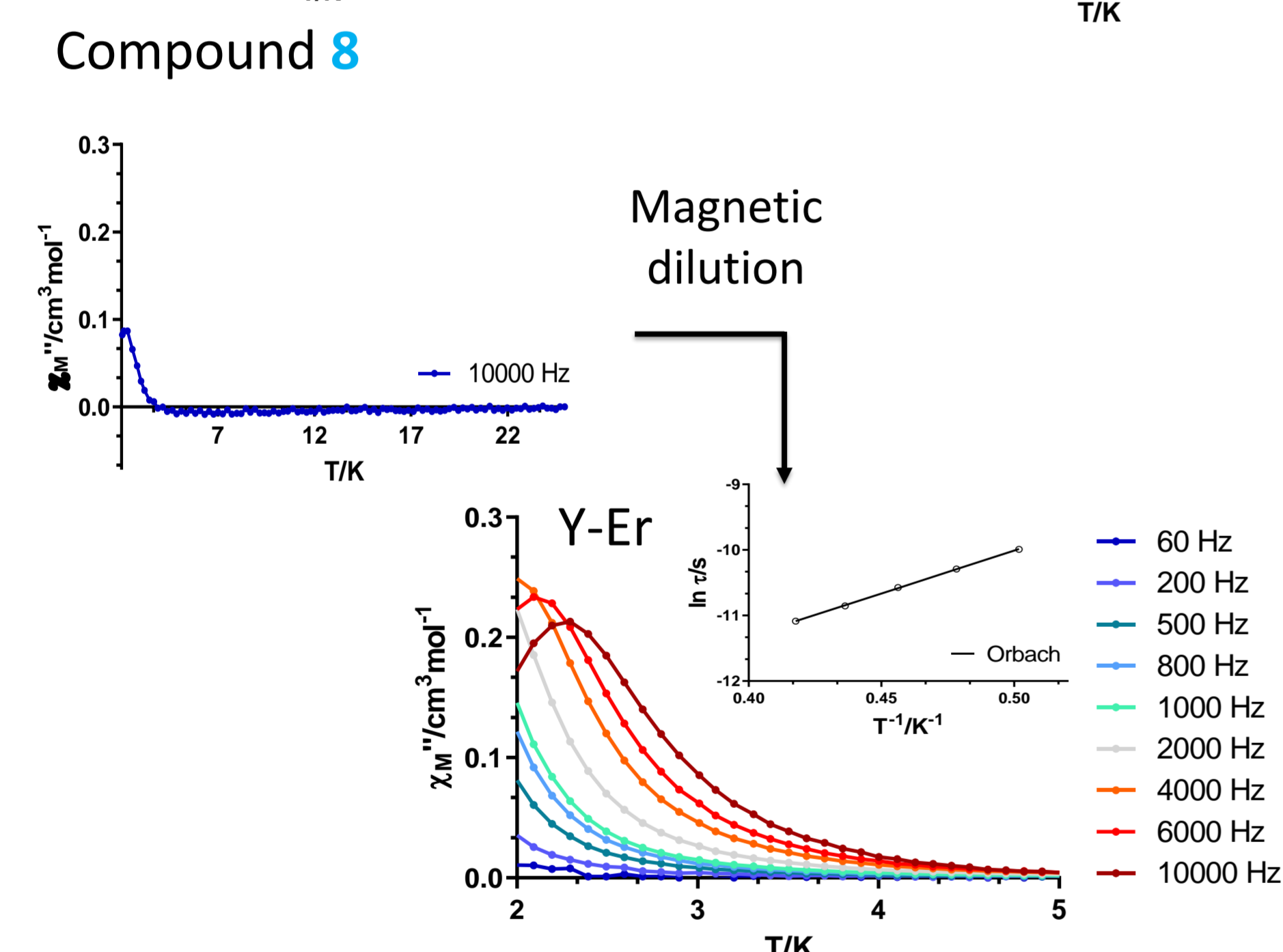
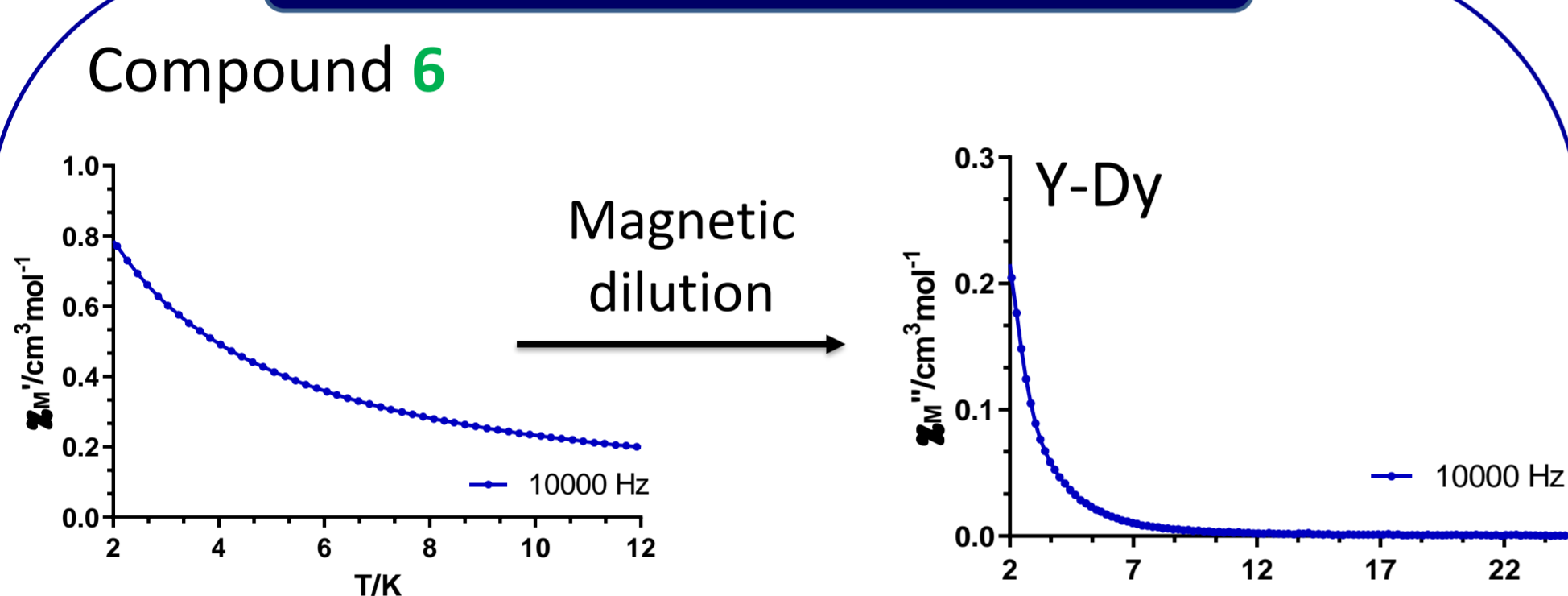
Photoluminescence properties have been examined in compound (5) at room temperature. Additionally, emission response of (5) has been studied in the presence of several solvents.

Finally, motivated by the possible solvent accessible volume of the structures, gas adsorption isotherms have been collected for compound (6).



## PROPERTIES

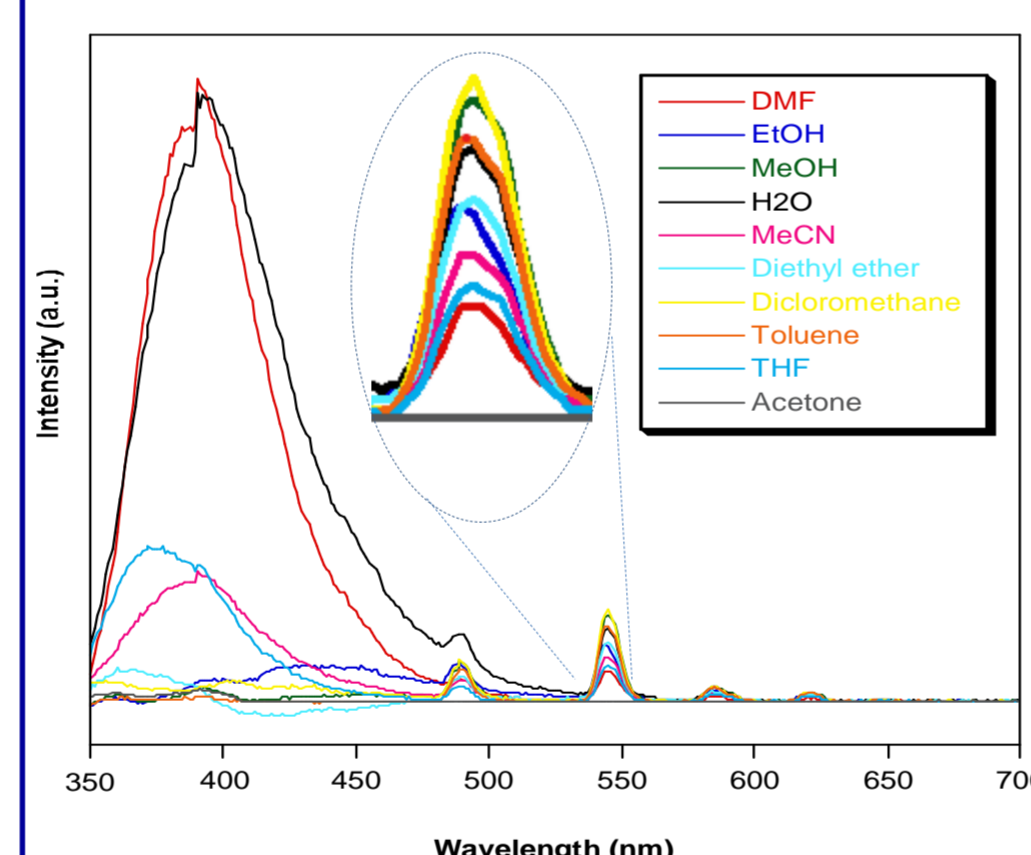
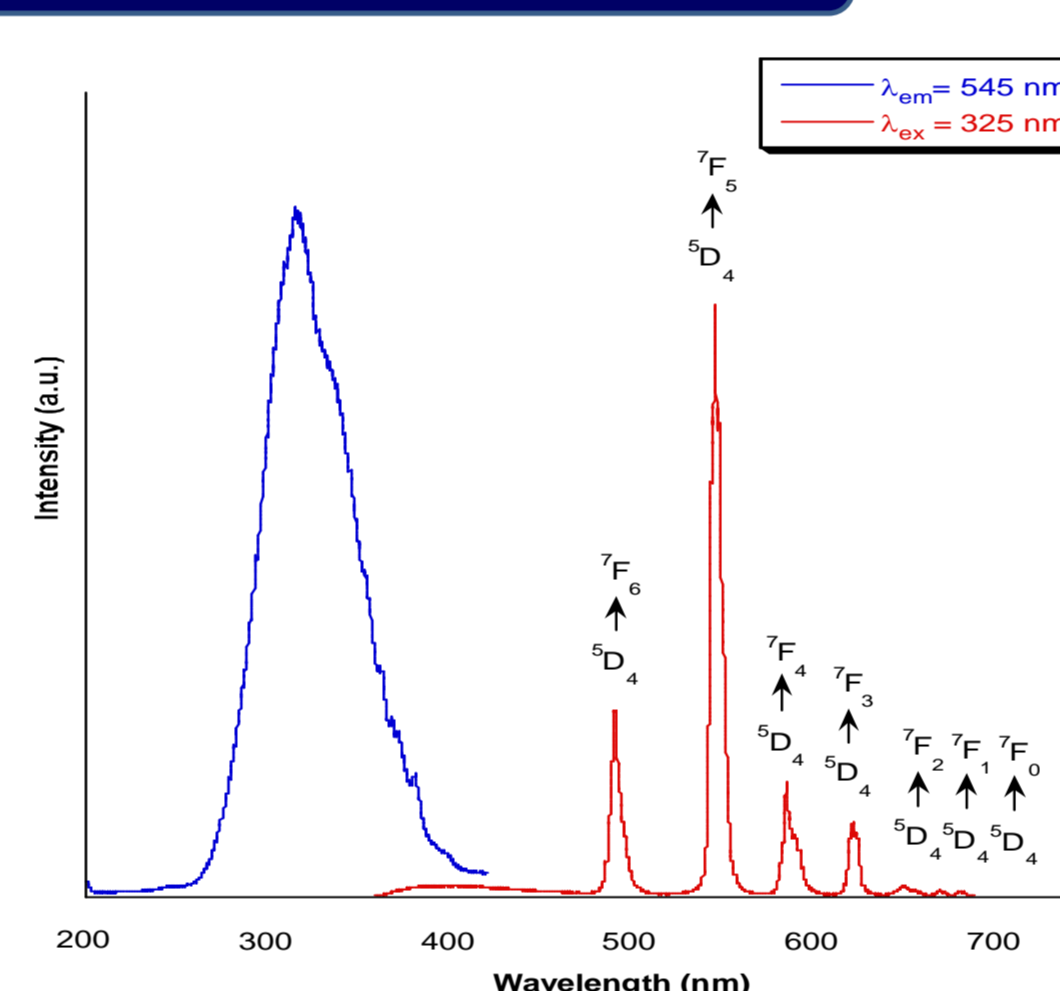
### Magnetic *ac* measurements



Magnetic dilution of compound 8 allowed it showing SMM behaviour, from which an effective energy barrier of  $U_{\text{eff}}=18.21$  K for the reversal of the magnetization and  $\tau_0 = 5.26 \cdot 10^{-10}$  s is estimated.

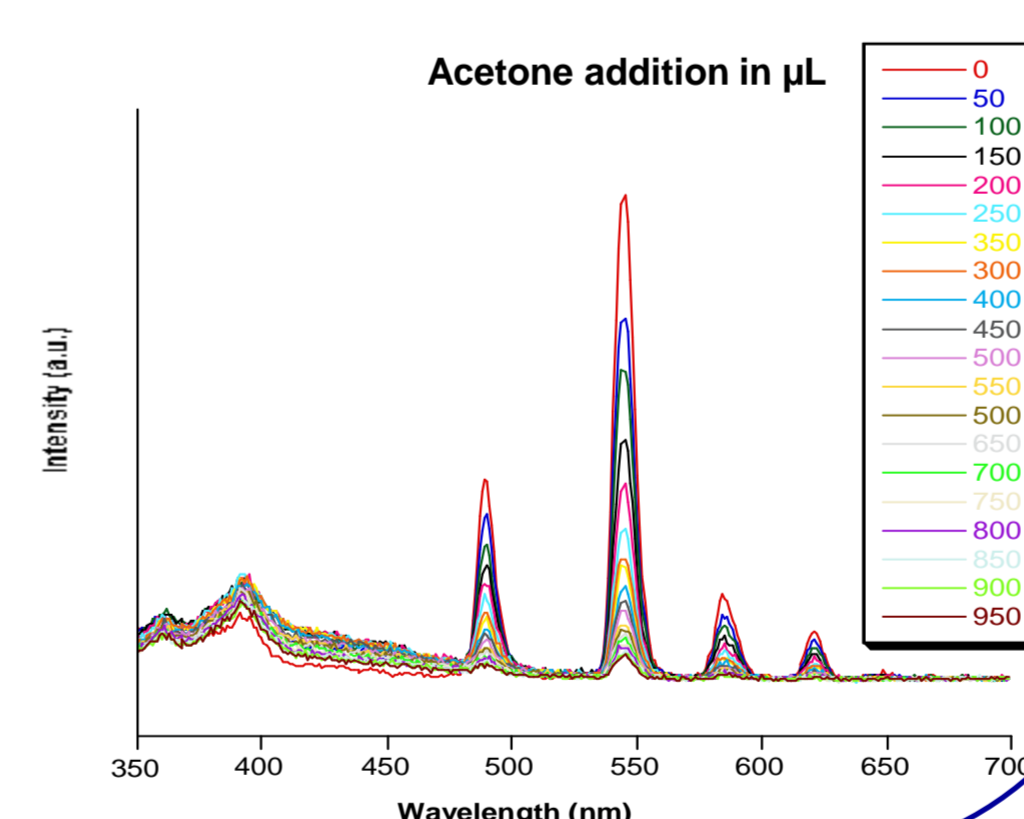
### Photoluminescence

Compound 5 excitation (blue, 325 nm) and emission (red, 545 nm) spectra at room temperature.

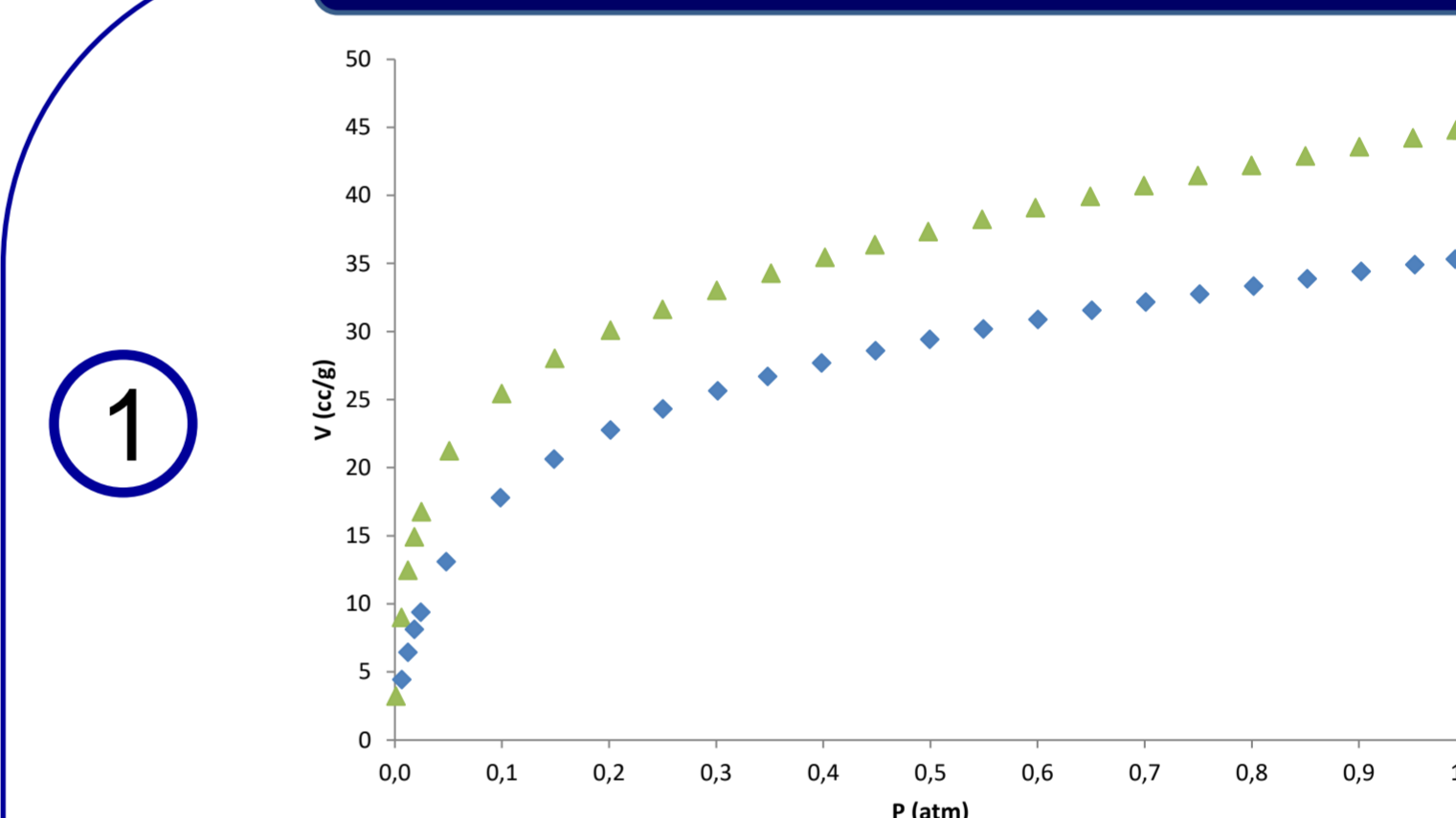


Emissive response of compound 5 when it is dispersed into different solvents.

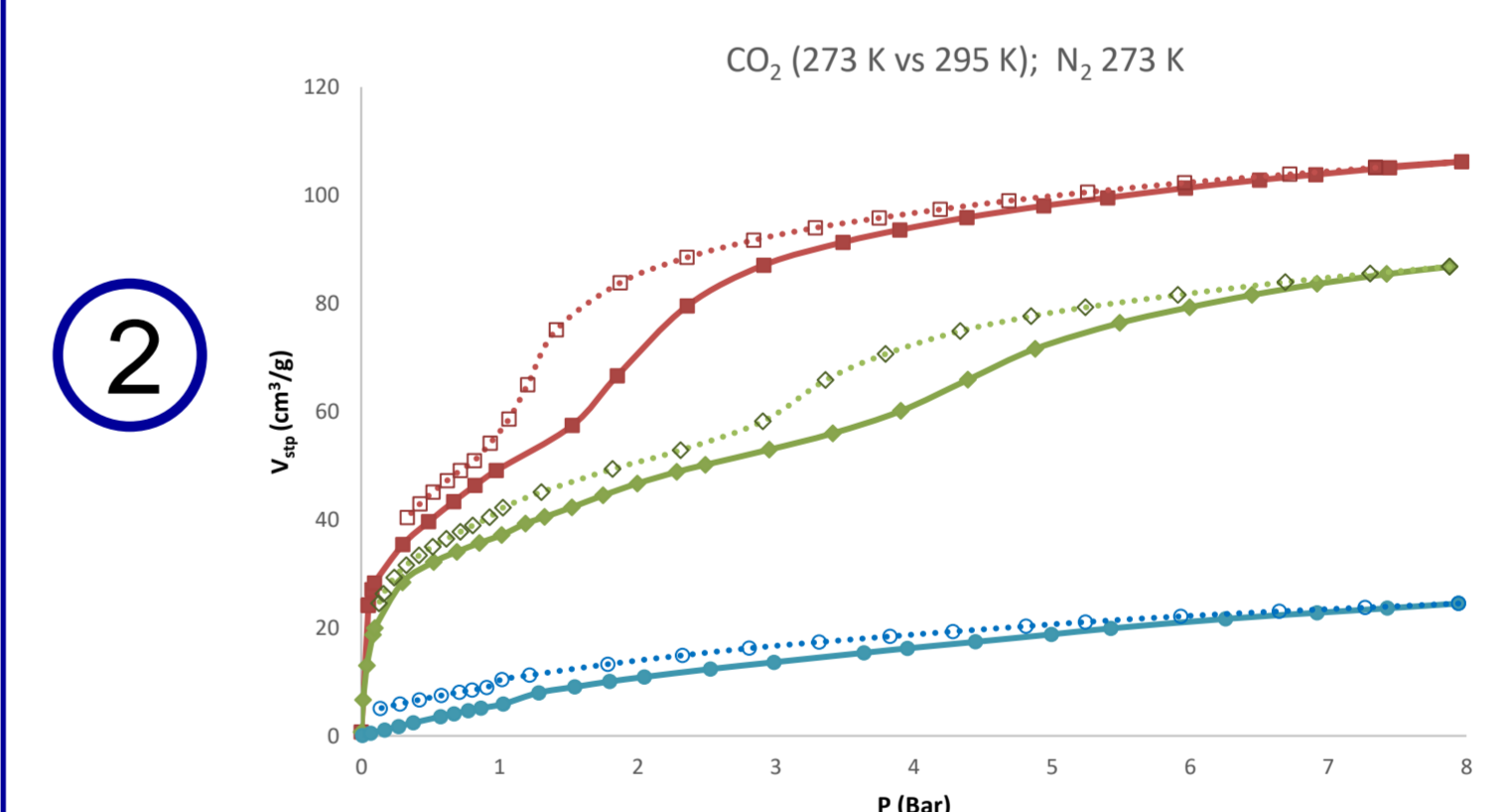
Quenching capacity of acetone



### Adsorption properties



Compound 6 CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherm at 273 K (green) and 298 K (blue) at 1 atm.



Comparison of high pressure CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherm at 273 K (red) and 298 K (green) with respect to N<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherm at 273 K (blue) of compound 6.

## CONCLUSIONS

- We have been able to synthesise and fully characterize a family of lanthanide based metal-organic frameworks that show magnetic, photoluminescence and adsorption properties
- Magnetic dilution performed on compound 6 did not allow it for presenting single-molecule magnet (SMM) behaviour, contrary to what happens in compound 8 where the isolation of the paramagnetic centres yielded SMM behaviour
- Compound 5 presents important emission properties derived principally from Tb<sup>3+</sup> ion emission and presents different emission response with respect to solvent change stimuli
- CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption measurements of compound 6 suggest that the MOF did not collapse at high pressure and it is stable at different temperatures which suggests that can be a good candidate for gas adsorption.

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