

Electronic Supplementary Information for

Benzothiazolium-functionalized NU-1000: a versatile material for carbon dioxide adsorption and cyanide luminescence sensing

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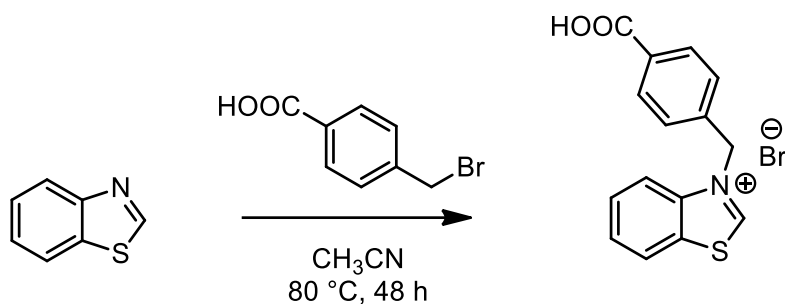
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Scheme S1. Synthesis of **BzTz**.

Single-crystal X-ray Diffraction Structure Determination of **BzTz**

Single crystal X-Ray data were collected at low temperature ($T = 100$ K) on a Bruker APEX-II CCD diffractometer using a Cu $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda = 1.5418$ Å). The program used for the data collection and reduction was the Bruker SAINT software package. Data were corrected for absorption effects using the Multi-Scan method (SADABS). Direct methods implemented in Sir2014¹ were used to solve the structures and the refinements were performed by full-matrix least-squares against F^2 implemented in SHELXL-2018.² All the non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically while the hydrogen atoms were fixed in calculated positions and refined isotropically with the thermal factor depending on the one of the atom to which they are bound. The $-\text{COOH}$ hydrogen atom was located on the residual density maps and then included with fixed bond distances and U_{iso} values constrained at the level of $1.5 \times U_{\text{eq}}$ of the carrier oxygen atom. The geometrical calculations were performed by PARST97³ and molecular plots were produced by the program ORTEP3.⁴ CCDC-1988747 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for **BzTz**. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via <https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/>. Table S1 collects the main experimental details and crystallographic data.

Table S1. Main crystallographic data, experimental details and structure refinement details for **BzTz**.

Formula	C ₁₅ H ₁₂ Br N O ₂ S
<i>M</i> [g mol ⁻¹]	350.23
<i>T</i> [K]	100
Color, habit	Colorless prisms
Size [mm ³]	0.01 x 0.01 x 0.02
Crystal system	Monoclinic
<i>a</i> [Å]	7.3944(5)
<i>b</i> [Å]	14.8659(9)
<i>c</i> [Å]	13.0018(8)
β [°]	91.5700(10)
<i>V</i> [Å ³]	1428.68(16)
<i>D</i> _{calc} [g cm ⁻³]	1.628
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>
<i>Z</i>	4
θ range for collection [°]	28.493 to 74.563
Measured reflns	2174
Unique reflns	1666
Completeness [%]	58.5 %
<i>R</i> _{int}	0.0273
Data/restraints/parameters	1666 / 0 / 184
<i>R</i> 1, <i>wR</i> 2 [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.0528, 0.1534
<i>R</i> 1, <i>wR</i> 2 (all data)	0.0530, 0.1537
Gof on <i>F</i> ²	1.213
Max, min peak [e Å ⁻³]	0.758, -0.952

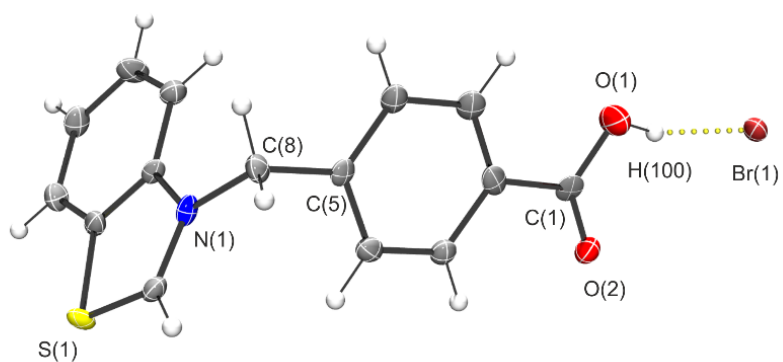


Figure S1. ORTEP drawing of **BzTz** at 70% probability level. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°): C(8)-N(1) = 1.481(6); C(1)-O(1) = 1.328(6); C(1)-O(2) = 1.222(7); O(1)-H(100) = 0.96(13); N(1)-C(8)-C(5) = 110.3(5). Hydrogen bonds [D---A distances (Å)]: O(1)-H(100)...Br(1) = 3.190(4).

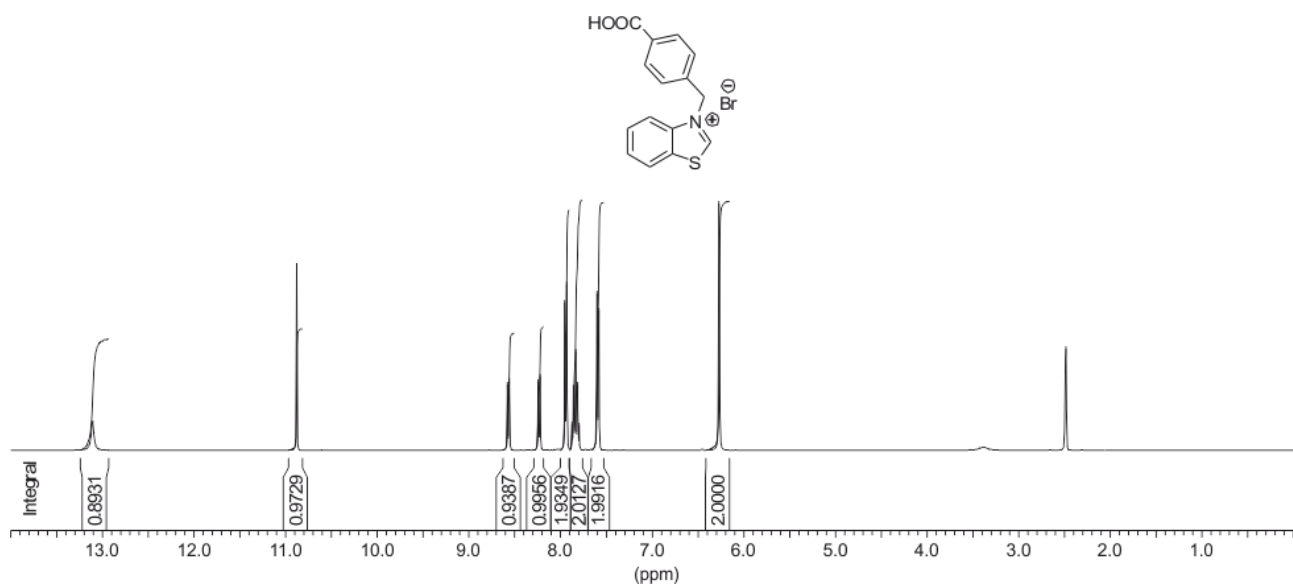


Figure S2. $^1\text{H NMR}$ spectrum (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$, 298K) of BzTz.

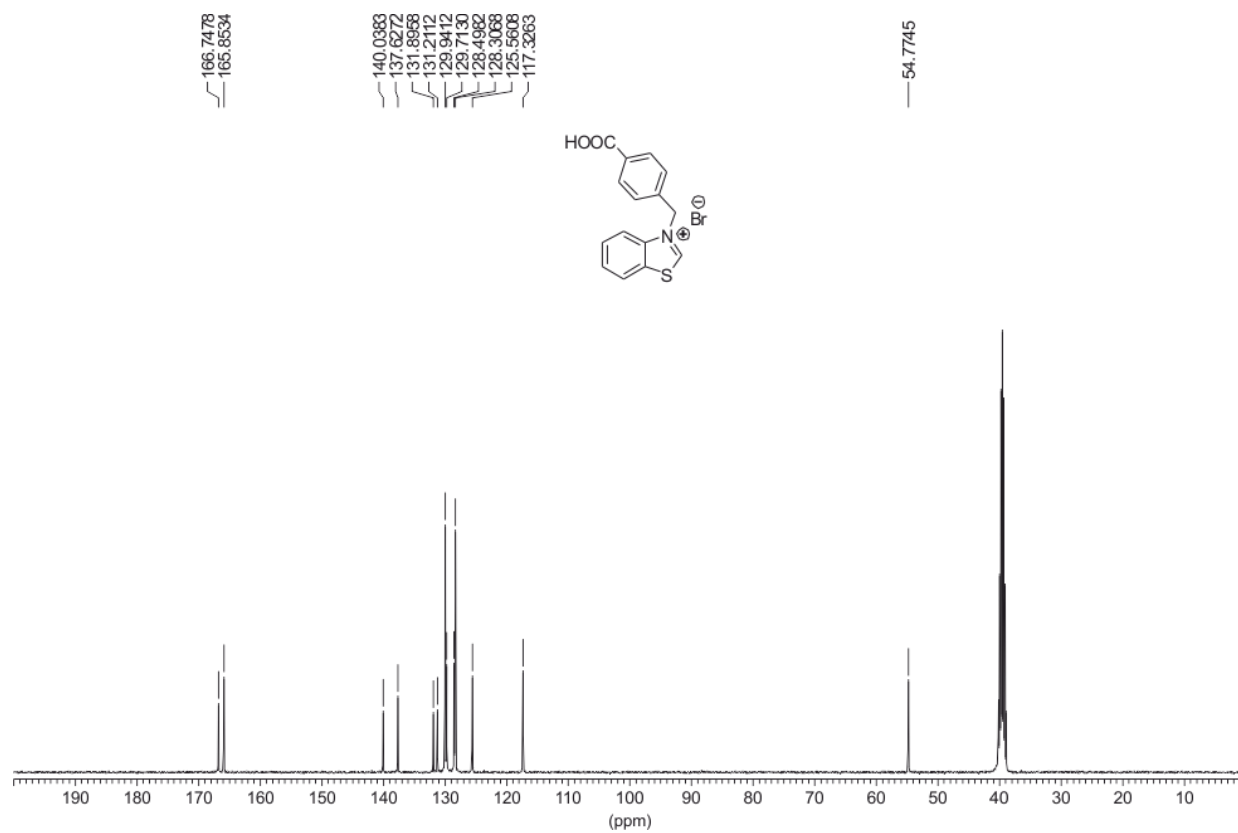


Figure S3. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$, 298K) of BzTz.

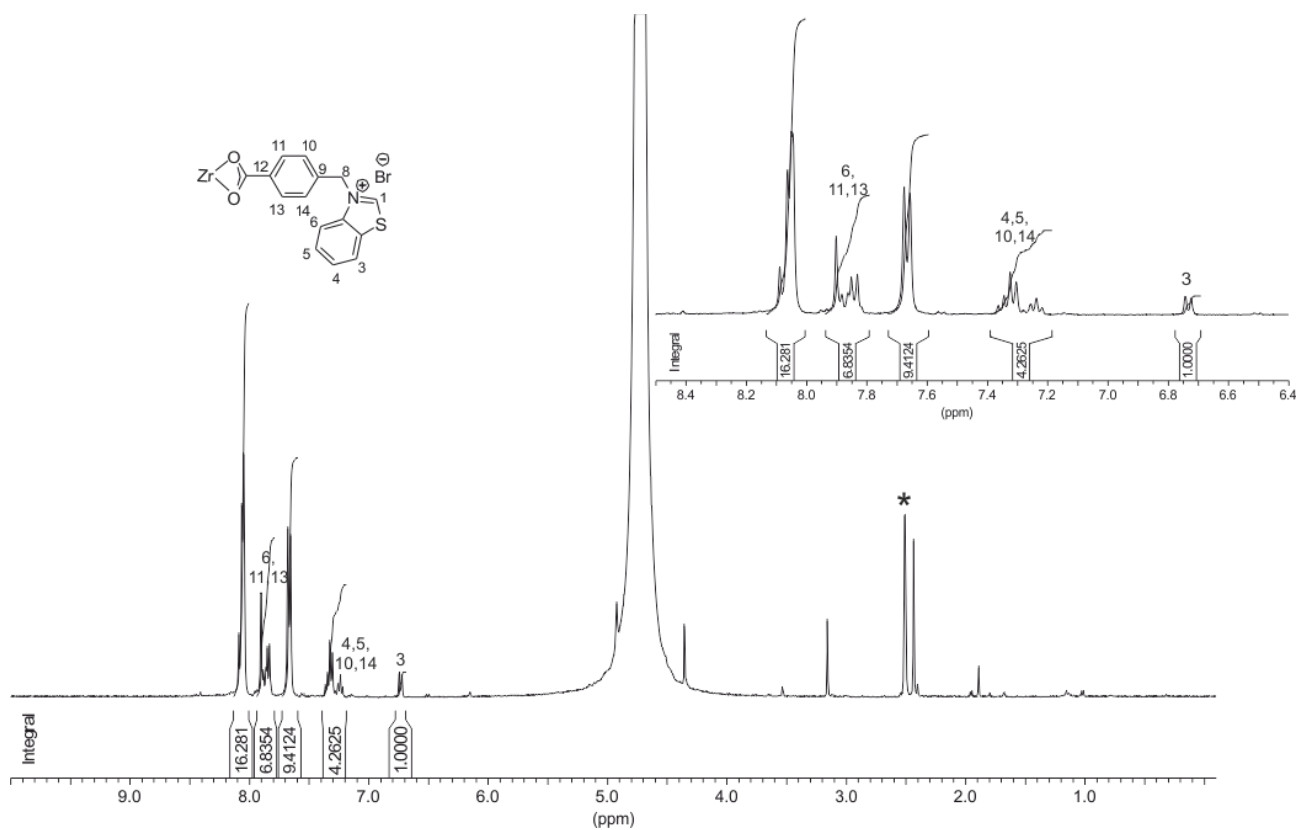


Figure S4. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, 5 % HF-DMSO- d_6 , 298K) of the digested **NU-1000-BzTz**. *residual DMSO solvent peak. Inset: zoom of the aromatic region used for the quantification of the functionalization degree.

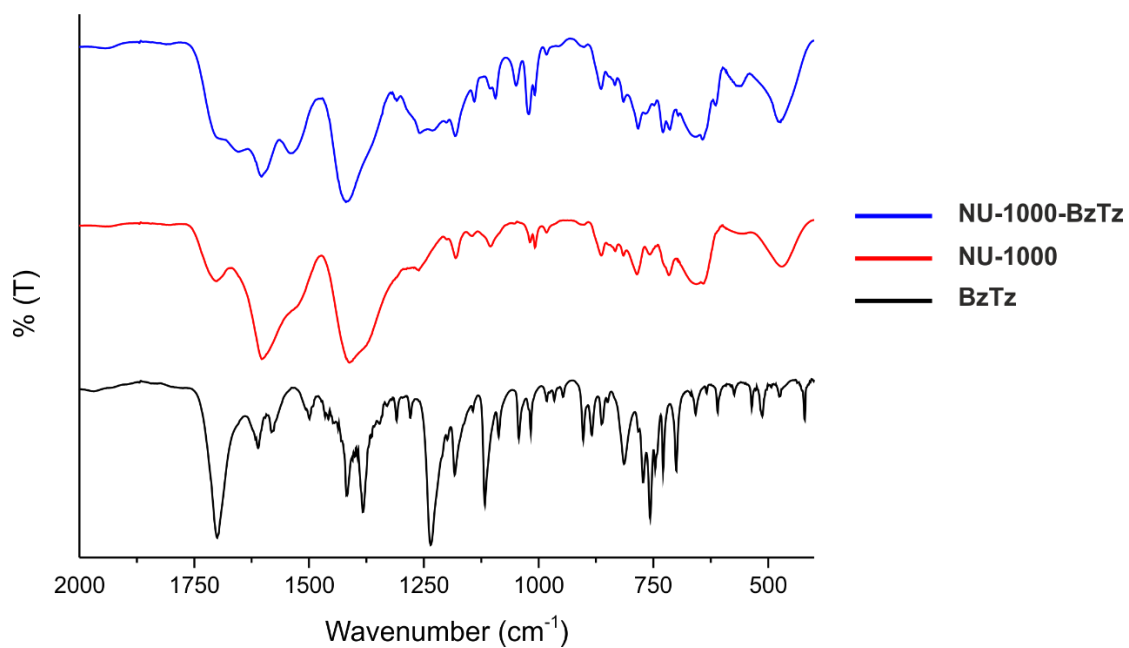


Figure S5. Infrared spectra (KBr, T = 298 K) of **BzTz**, **NU-1000** and their combination at comparison.

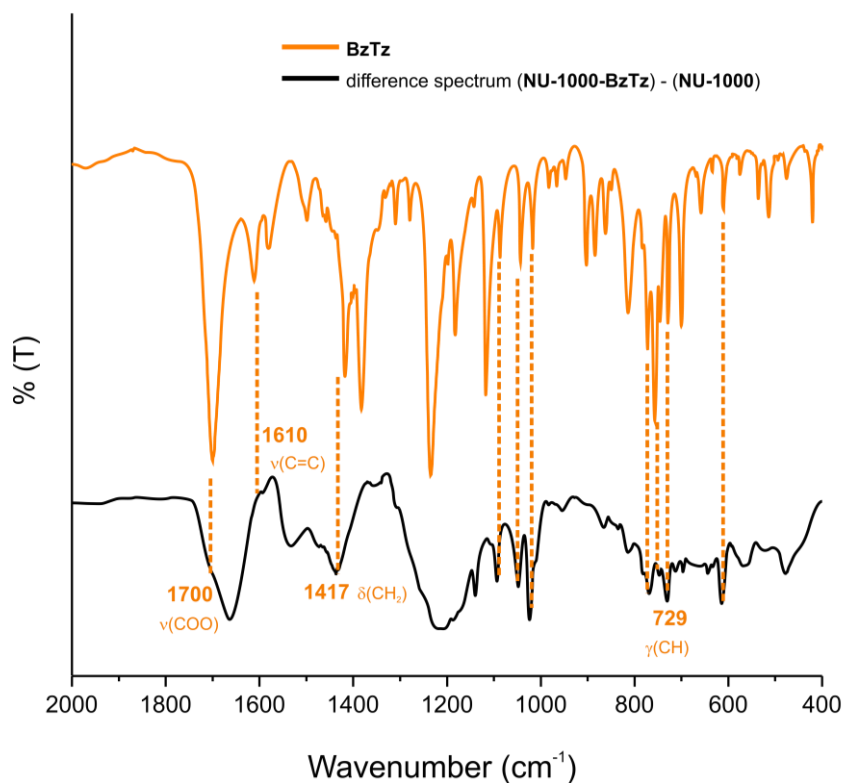


Figure S6. Infrared [(NU-1000-BzTz)-(NU-1000)] difference spectrum (KBr, T = 298 K, black) and BzTz spectrum (KBr, T = 298 K, orange) at comparison. Some typical benzothiazolium normal modes are highlighted through orange dotted lines.

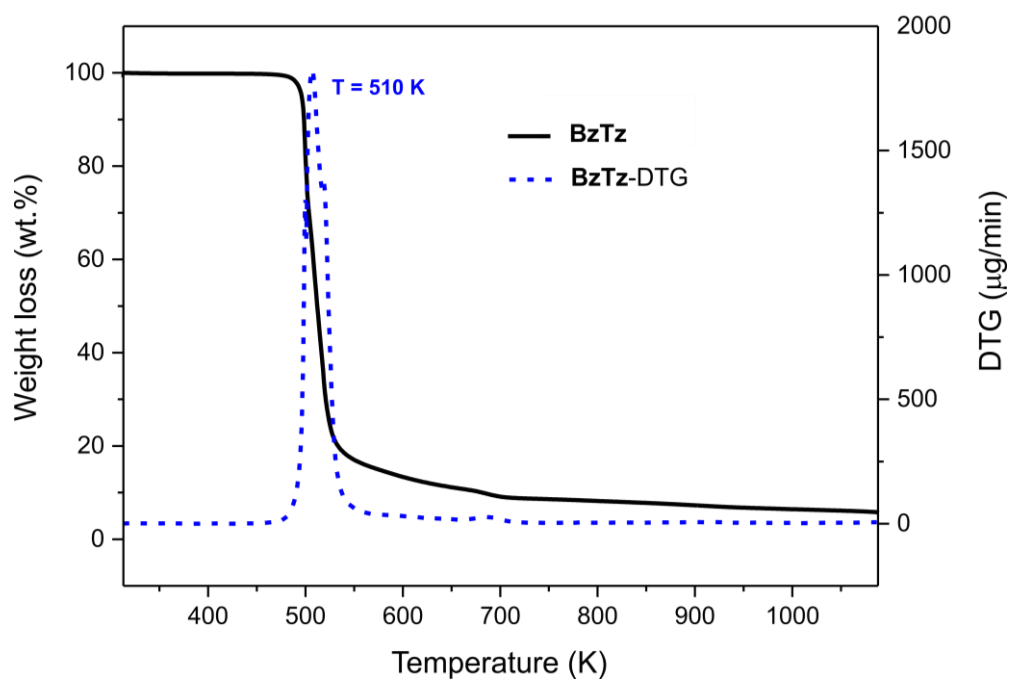


Figure S7. Thermogravimetric analysis vs. time profile of BzTz.

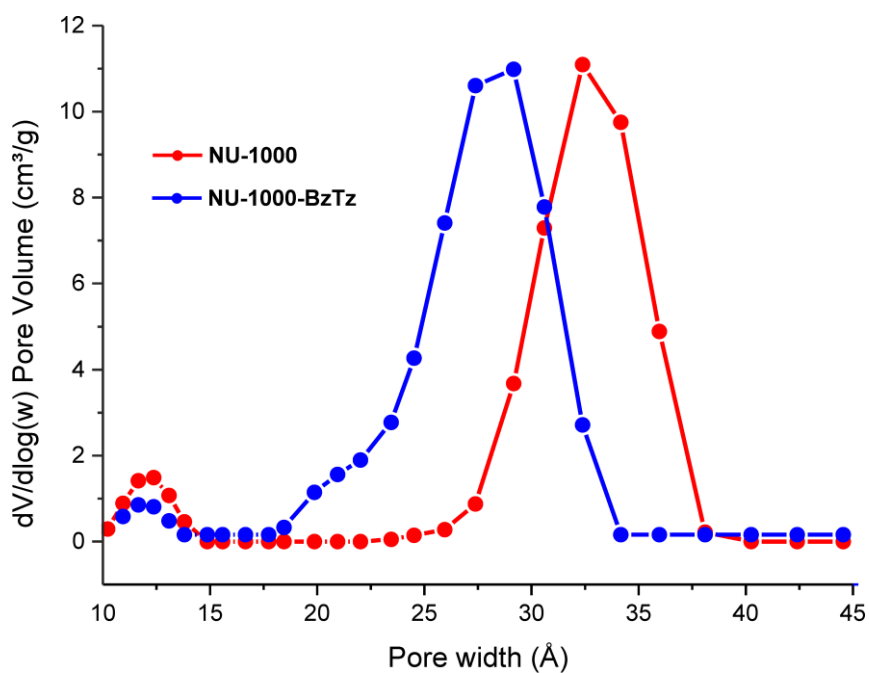


Figure S8. NLDFT (Tarazona model for cylindrical pores) pore size distribution of **NU-1000** and **NU-1000-BzTz** at comparison.

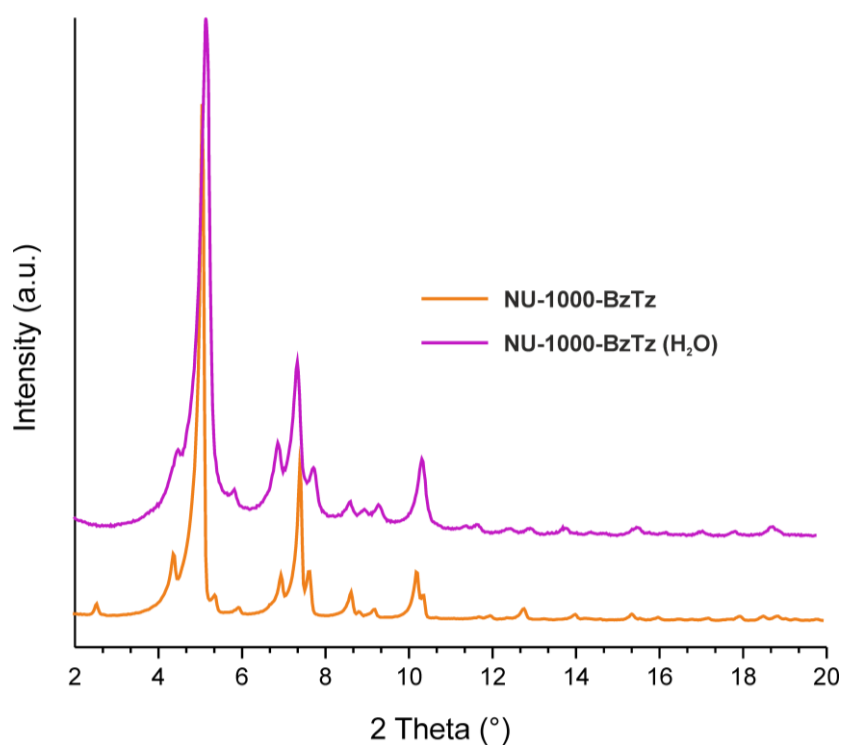


Figure S9. PXRD profiles of the as-synthesized **NU-1000-BzTz** (orange) and after soaking in water for 24 hours at ambient temperature (purple).

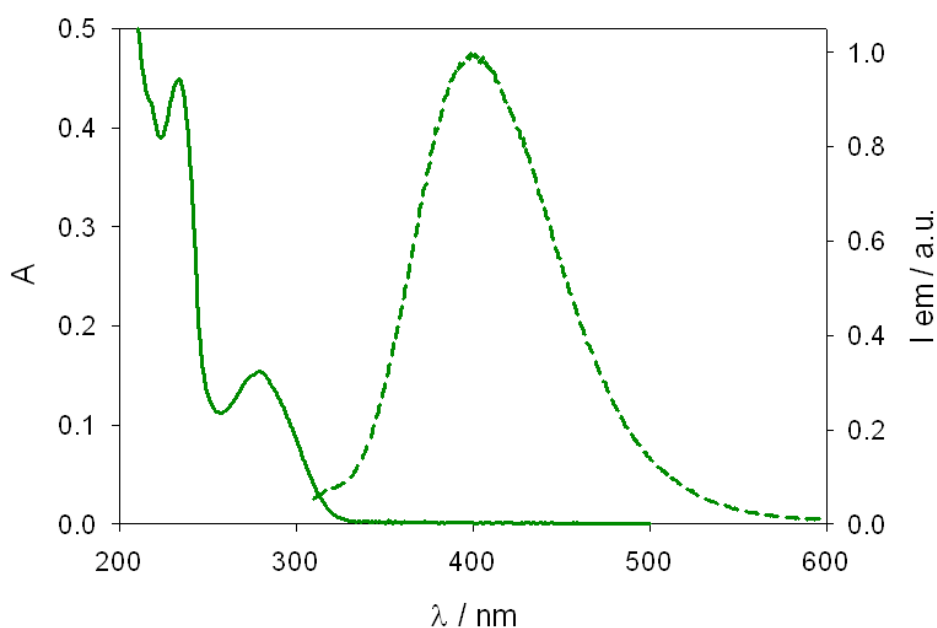


Figure S10. Qualitative absorption (solid line) and normalized emission spectra (dashed line) of **BzTz** in H₂O at r.t. $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=280$ nm.

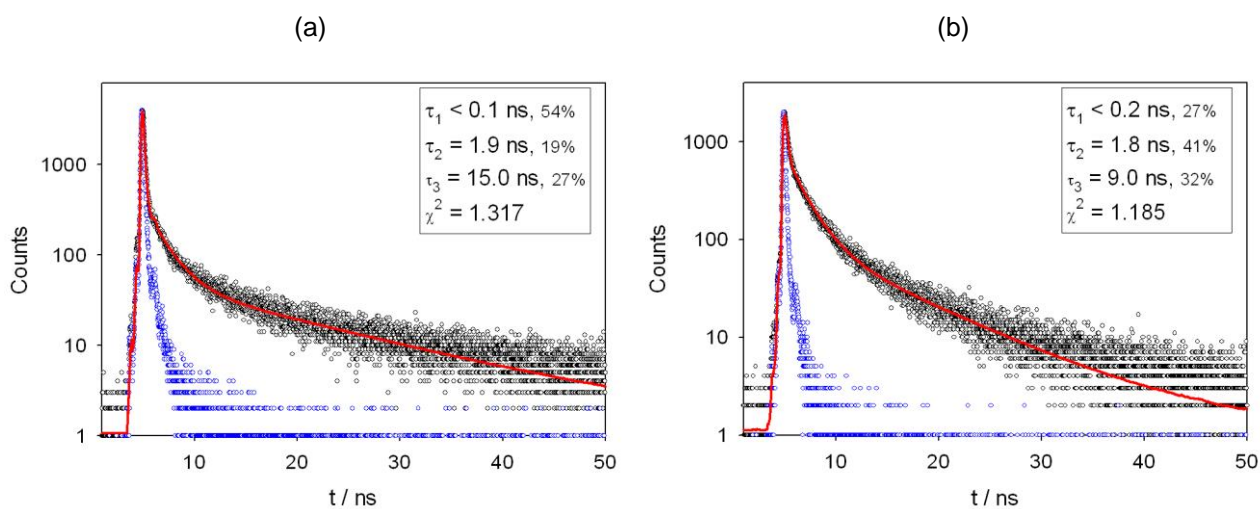


Figure S11. (a) Fluorescence decay of **NU-1000** in aqueous suspensions at r.t. The decay is fitted with a triexponential function (red line); the instrument response function is also shown (black dots). $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=405$ nm, $\lambda_{\text{em}}=450$ nm. (b) Fluorescence decay of **NU-1000-BzTz** in aqueous suspensions at r.t. The decay is fitted with a triexponential function (red line); the instrument response function is also shown (black dots). $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=405$ nm, $\lambda_{\text{em}}=520$ nm.

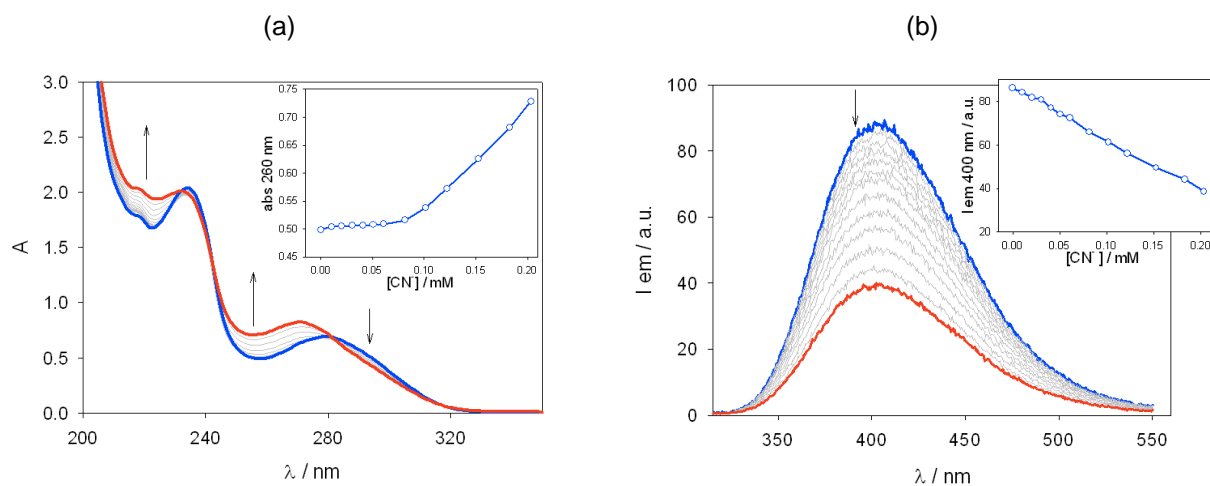


Figure S12. (a) Evolution of the absorption spectra recorded for a solution of **BzTz** ($1.05 \cdot 10^{-4}$ M) in water upon additions of KCN. Inset: absorption profile at 260 nm. (b) Evolution of the emission spectra recorded for a solution of **BzTz** ($1.05 \cdot 10^{-4}$ M) in water upon additions of KCN. Inset: emission intensity profile at 400 nm. The emission spectra are not corrected for absorption changes at $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=275$ nm.

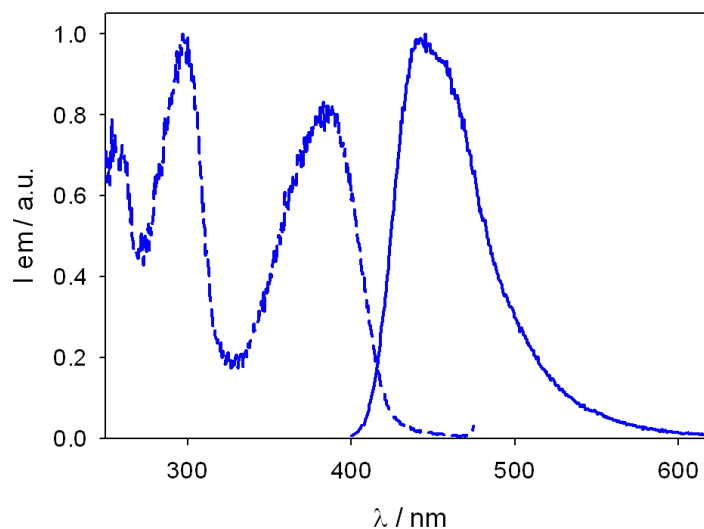


Figure S13. Normalized excitation (dashed line) and emission spectra (solid line) of **NU-1000-BzTz** in H₂O in the presence of excess KCN. $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=385$ nm; $\lambda_{\text{em}}=480$ nm.

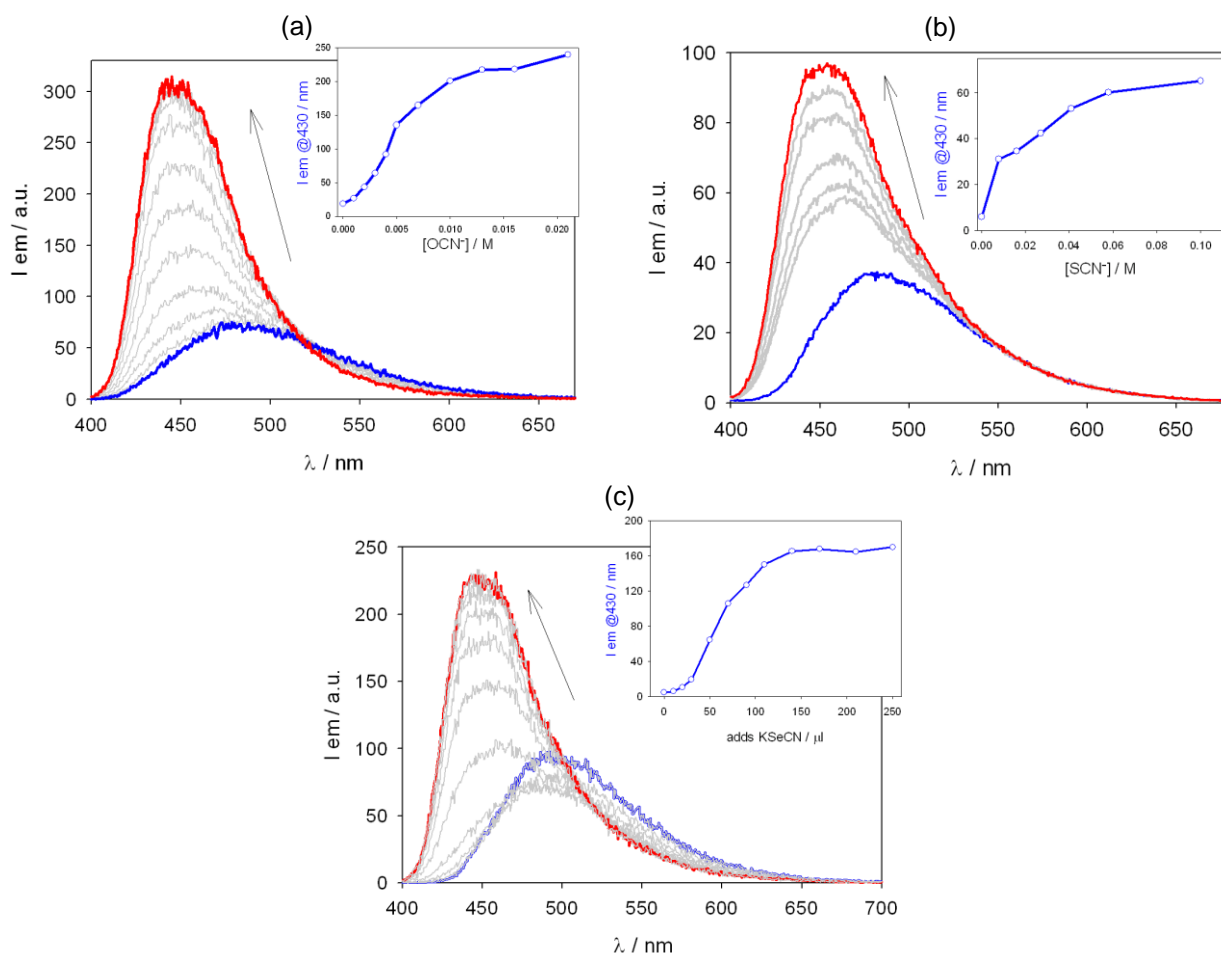


Figure S14. (a) Evolution of the emission spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon additions of KOCN (from 0 to ca. 21.0 mM, blue to red line, respectively) in H₂O at r.t. $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=385$ nm; $A_{385\text{nm}} \approx 0.24$. Inset: dependence between [OCN⁻] and the emission intensity at 430 nm. (b) Evolution of the emission spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon additions of NaSCN (from 0 to ca. 0.1 M, blue to red line, respectively) in H₂O at r.t. $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=385$ nm; $0.25 < A_{385\text{nm}} < 0.27$. Inset: dependence between [SCN⁻] and the emission intensity at 430 nm. (c) Evolution of the emission spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon additions of KSeCN (blue to red line, respectively; qualitative) in H₂O at r.t. $\lambda_{\text{ex}}=385$ nm; $0.24 < A_{385\text{nm}} < 0.26$. In the case of KSeCN, a precise calculation of the solution concentration is hampered by the high (and unknown) water content of the hygroscopic salt. Inset: dependence between total additions of SeCN⁻ and the emission intensity at 430 nm.

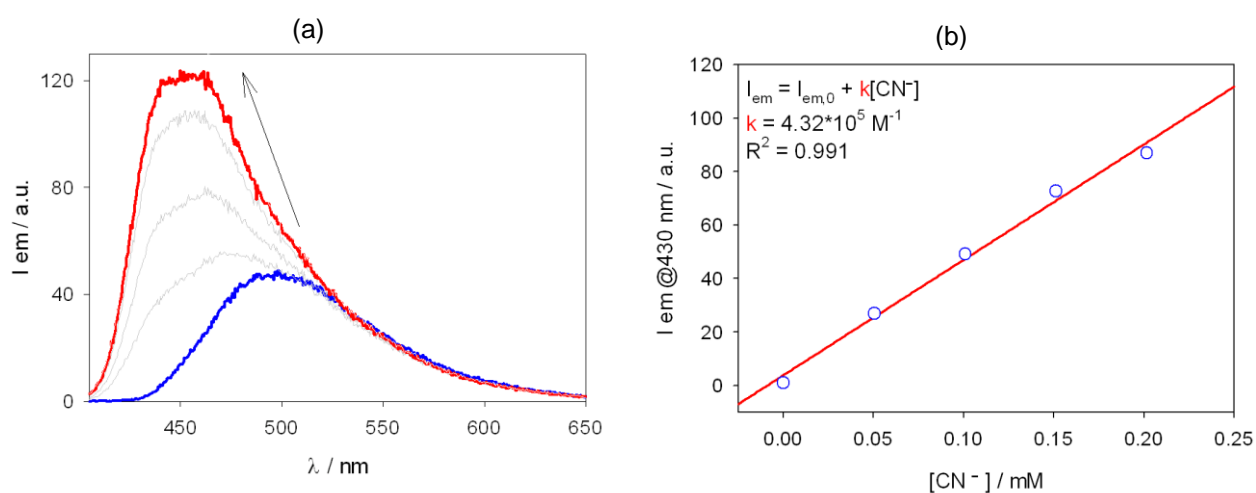


Figure S15. (a) Evolution of the emission spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon additions of KCN (from 0 to ca. 0.2 mM, blue to red line, respectively) in H₂O at r.t. $\lambda_{ex}=385 \text{ nm}$; $0.32 < A_{385\text{nm}} < 0.35$. (b) Dependence between $[CN^-]$ and the emission intensity at 430 nm. The slope k was calculated with a linear fitting and used to determine the limit of detection (LOD) for the concentration of CN^- (LOD was calculated as $LOD=3\sigma/k$, where σ is the standard deviation of the intercept and k the slope of the linear fitting).⁵

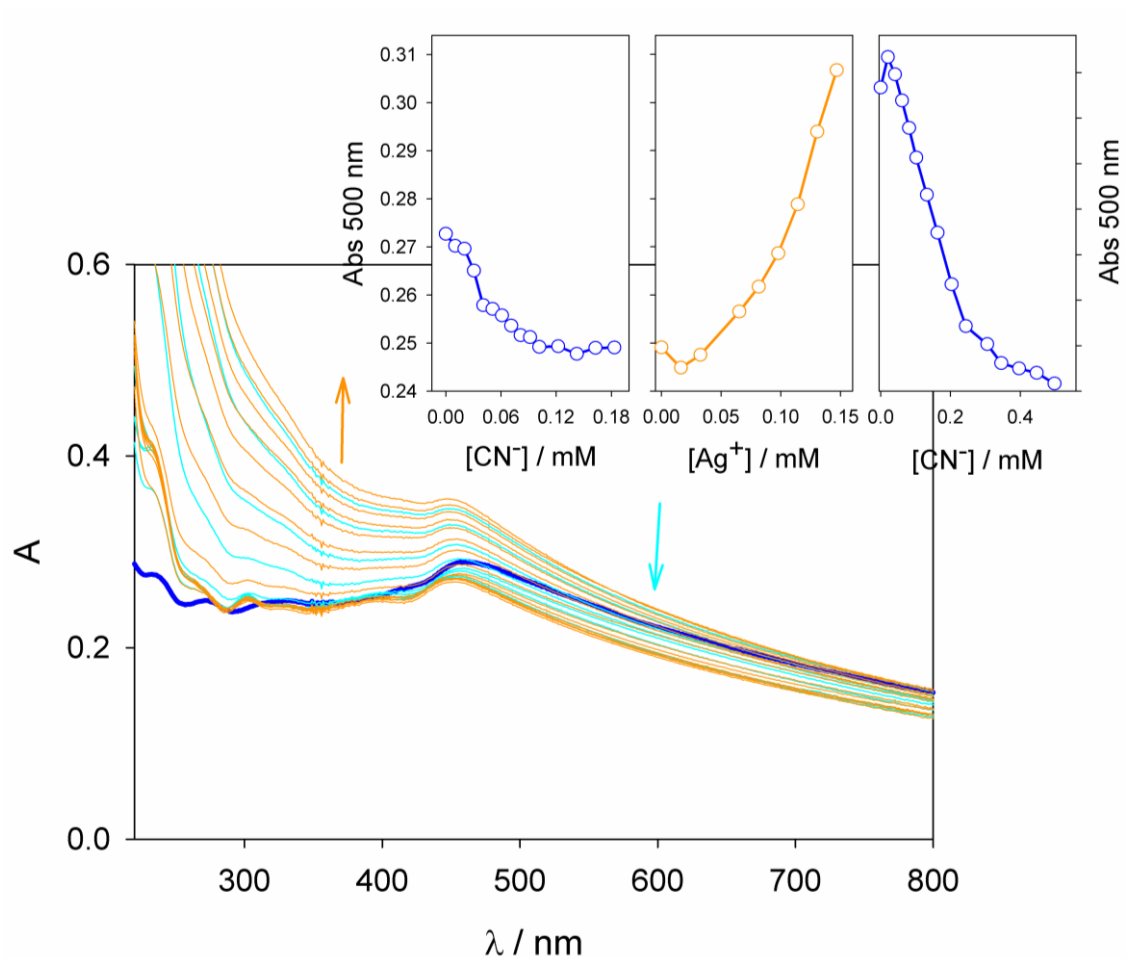


Figure S16. Evolution of the absorption spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon additions of KCN (from 0 to *ca.* 0.19 mM, thicker blue to orange line, respectively) in H₂O at r.t. followed by additions of Ag(CF₃SO₃) (up to *ca.* 0.15 mM, thin orange lines). To the so-obtained mixture further amounts of KCN were added (up to total 0.69 mM). Inset: dependence between [CN⁻], [Ag⁺] and the absorbance at 500 nm.

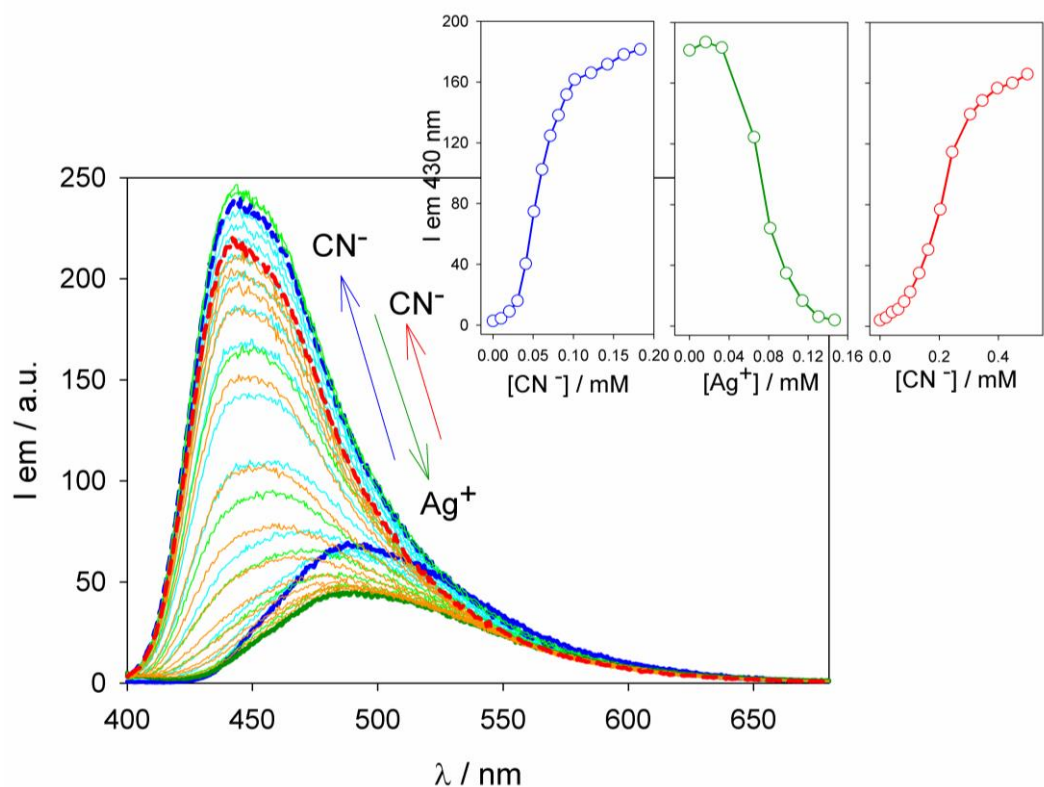


Figure S17. Evolution of the emission spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon additions of KCN (from 0 to *ca.* 0.19 mM, blue lines - from solid to dashed, respectively) in H₂O at r.t. followed by additions of Ag(CF₃SO₃) (up to *ca.* 0.15 mM, green lines). To the so-obtained mixture further amounts of KCN were added (up to total 0.69 mM, red lines). Inset: dependence between [CN⁻], [Ag⁺] and the emission intensity at 430 nm. $\lambda_{ex} = 380$ nm.

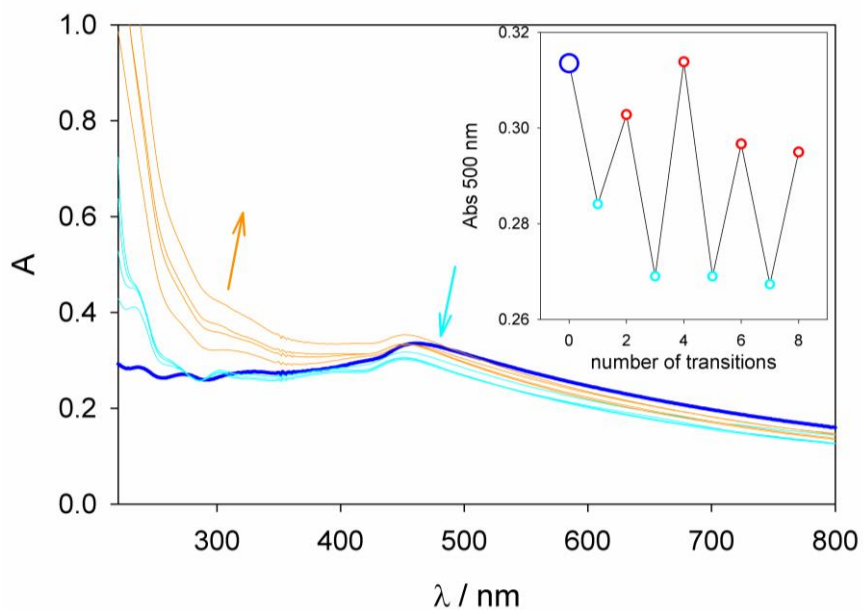


Figure S18. Evolution of the absorption spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon repeated additions of KCN (0.4 mM, cyan lines) and $\text{Ag}(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)$ (0.13 mM, orange lines). Inset: absorption at 500 nm upon repeated additions of KCN and $\text{Ag}(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)$.

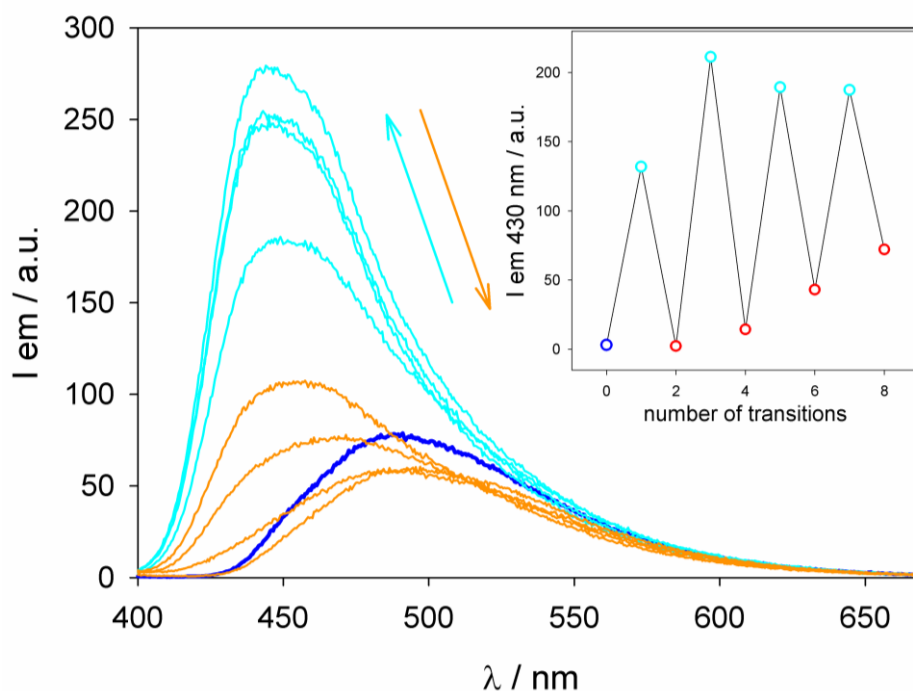


Figure S19. Evolution of the absorption spectra recorded for a suspension of **NU-1000-BzTz** upon repeated additions of KCN (0.4 mM, cyan lines) and $\text{Ag}(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)$ (0.13 mM, orange lines). Inset: fluorescence emission at 430 nm. $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 380$ nm.

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