

# Syntheses, Structures and Photoluminescent Properties of Two New Pb(II) and Cd(II) Coordination Polymers Constructed from 1,10-Phenanthroline-derived and 1,4-Naphthalenedicarboxylate Ligands

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Two new related coordination polymers, namely, [Pb(L)(1,4-ndc)] · 0.5H<sub>2</sub>O (**1**) and [Cd(L)(1,4-ndc)] · 0.5H<sub>2</sub>O (**2**), where L = 2-(3-fluorophenyl)-1H-imidazo[4,5-f][1,10]phenanthroline and 1,4-ndc = 1,4-naphthalenedicarboxylate, were synthesized under hydrothermal conditions. Crystal data for **1**: C<sub>62</sub>H<sub>36</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Pb<sub>2</sub>, monoclinic space group C2/c, *a* = 15.874(3), *b* = 19.982(4), *c* = 16.045(3) Å,  $\beta$  = 94.26(3), *V* = 5075.3(18) Å<sup>3</sup>, *Z* = 4. Crystal data for **2**: C<sub>62</sub>H<sub>36</sub>Cd<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>9</sub>, monoclinic space group P2<sub>1</sub>/n, *a* = 12.622(2), *b* = 14.038(3), *c* = 14.938(3) Å,  $\beta$  = 100.81(2), *V* = 2600.0(8) Å<sup>3</sup>, *Z* = 2. In compound **1**, the 1,4-ndc ligands connect the Pb(II) atoms to yield a chain structure. The L ligands are attached on the same side of the chain. The  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions between L ligands of neighboring chains result in a 2D supramolecular architecture of **1**. In compound **2**, 1,4-ndc ligands link the Cd(II) atoms to generate a layer structure. The L ligands from adjacent layers are paired to furnish strong  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions. Further, these layers are extended into 3D supramolecular architectures through these  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions. The structural differences of **1** and **2** suggest the importance of the metal centers in the construction of the coordination polymers. The luminescent properties of the compounds were also investigated.

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