

# Exploring the Chelating Potential of an Easily Synthesized Schiff Base for Copper Sensing

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**Table S1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Ni(HSB)<sub>2</sub>, Pd(HSB)<sub>2</sub> and Cu(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.

Identification Code	Ni(HSB) <sub>2</sub>	Pd(HSB) <sub>2</sub>	Cu(HSB) <sub>2</sub>
Empirical formula	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>38</sub> N <sub>4</sub> NiO <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>38</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>6</sub> PdS <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>38</sub> CuN <sub>4</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight	817.59	865.28	822.42
Temperature	100(2) K	100(2) K	100(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P -1	P -1	P -1
Unit cell dimensions (Å, °)			
<i>a</i>	8.0779(3)	8.2110(3)	8.260(5)
<i>b</i>	10.4541(4)	10.4321(4)	10.485(5)
<i>c</i>	12.4196(6)	12.3276(4)	12.283(5)
α	99.757(3)	99.341(2)	99.103(5)
β	107.032(3)	107.571(2)	108.088(5)
γ	105.90	106.006(2)	106.608(5)
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	928.17(7)	932.27(6)	932.7(8)
Z	1	1	1
Density (calculated, Mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.463	1.541 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	1.464
Absorption coefficient F(000)	0.691 mm <sup>-1</sup> 426	0.665 mm <sup>-1</sup> 444	0.753 mm <sup>-1</sup> 427
Crystal size (mm <sup>3</sup> )	0.350 x 0.270 x 0.140	0.160 x 0.110 x 0.020	0.280 x 0.250 x 0.170
θ range for data collection	1.782 to 26.372 deg	1.798 to 26.371 deg	1.812 to 25.349°.
Reflections collected	3786	24950	18296
Independent reflections	3786 [R(int) = 0.000]	3810 [R(int) = 0.0623]	3400 [R(int) = 0.0340]
Completeness to theta	25.242 100.0 %	25.242 100.0 %	25.242° 99.6 %
Max. and min. transmission	0.8878 and 0.7993	1.0000 and 0.8930	1.000 and 0.9229
Data / restraints / parameters	3786 / 0 / 255	3810 / 0 / 251	3400 / 0 / 255
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.053	1.021	1.073
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0392, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0817	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0416, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0736	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0301, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0688
R indices (all data)	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0545, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0871	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0633, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0813	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0351, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.0708

Largest diff. peak and hole	0.298 and -0.363 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.550 and -0.852 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.264 and -0.364 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>
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**Table S2.1.** Main bond distances [Å] and angles [°] for Ni(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.

Ni(1)-O(3)#1	1.8278(15)	O(3)#1-Ni(1)-O(3)	180.00(11)
Ni(1)-O(3)	1.8278(15)	O(3)#1-Ni(1)-N(2)	88.14(7)
Ni(1)-N(2)	1.9181(18)	O(3)-Ni(1)-N(2)	91.86(7)
Ni(1)-N(2)#1	1.9181(18)	O(3)#1-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	91.86(7)
N(2)-C(14)	1.294(3)	O(3)-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	88.14(7)
N(2)-C(13)	1.452(3)	N(2)-Ni(1)-N(2)#1	180.0
O(3)-C(20)	1.318(3)	C(14)-N(2)-C(13)	116.81(19)
C(1)-S(1)	1.764(2)	C(14)-N(2)-Ni(1)	124.77(16)
S(1)-O(2)	1.4342(15)	C(13)-N(2)-Ni(1)	118.30(14)
S(1)-O(1)	1.4344(17)	C(20)-O(3)-Ni(1)	126.68(13)
S(1)-N(1)	1.619(2)	C(6)-C(1)-S(1)	121.03(18)
N(1)-C(7)	1.466(3)	C(2)-C(1)-S(1)	118.67(18)
		O(2)-S(1)-O(1)	120.36(10)
		O(2)-S(1)-N(1)	107.04(10)
		O(1)-S(1)-N(1)	105.86(11)
		O(2)-S(1)-C(1)	107.45(11)
		O(1)-S(1)-C(1)	107.37(10)
		N(1)-S(1)-C(1)	108.28(11)
		C(7)-N(1)-S(1)	117.90(16)
		N(1)-C(7)-C(8)	110.14(19)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y,-z+1.

**Table S2.2.** Hydrogen bonds for Ni(HSB)<sub>2</sub> [Å and °].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)
N(1)-H(1A)...O(3)#1	0.80	2.13	2.891(3)	158.6

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y,-z.

**Table S3.1.** Main bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [deg] for Pd(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.

Pd(1)-O(3)#1	1.981(2)	O(3)#1-Pd(1)-O(3)	180.00(13)
Pd(1)-O(3)	1.981(2)	O(3)#1-Pd(1)-N(2)	89.12(10)
Pd(1)-N(2)	2.025(3)	O(3)-Pd(1)-N(2)	90.88(10)
Pd(1)-N(2)#1	2.025(3)	O(3)#1-Pd(1)-N(2)#1	90.88(10)
N(2)-C(14)	1.292(4)	O(3)-Pd(1)-N(2)#1	89.12(10)
N(2)-C(13)	1.443(4)	N(2)-Pd(1)-N(2)#1	180.0
O(3)-C(20)	1.321(3)	C(14)-N(2)-C(13)	119.0(3)
O(1)-S(1)	1.437(2)	C(14)-N(2)-Pd(1)	123.7(2)
O(2)-S(1)	1.433(2)	C(13)-N(2)-Pd(1)	117.06(18)
S(1)-N(1)	1.620(3)	C(20)-O(3)-Pd(1)	124.32(19)
S(1)-C(1)	1.761(3)	O(2)-S(1)-O(1)	120.17(14)
N(1)-C(7)	1.477(4)	O(2)-S(1)-N(1)	107.24(14)
N(1)-H(1A)	0.9429	O(1)-S(1)-N(1)	105.78(14)
		O(2)-S(1)-C(1)	107.50(15)
		O(1)-S(1)-C(1)	107.46(15)
		N(1)-S(1)-C(1)	108.22(15)
		C(7)-N(1)-S(1)	117.6(2)
		C(7)-N(1)-H(1A)	116.6
		S(1)-N(1)-H(1A)	115.7
		N(1)-C(7)-C(8)	109.8(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y,-z.

**Table S3.2.** Hydrogen bonds for Pd(HSB)<sub>2</sub> [ $\text{\AA}$  and deg.].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)
N(1)-H(1A)...O(3)#1	0.94	1.99	2.881(3)	156.9

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y,-z.

**Table S4.1.** Main bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for Cu(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.

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Cu(1)-O(3)#1	1.8834(15)	O(3)#1-Cu(1)-O(3)	180.00(9)
Cu(1)-O(3)	1.8834(15)	O(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)#1	90.54(6)
Cu(1)-N(2)#1	2.0098(17)	O(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)#1	89.46(6)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.0098(17)	O(3)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)	89.46(6)
N(1)-C(7)	1.474(3)	O(3)-Cu(1)-N(2)	90.54(6)
N(1)-S(1)	1.6156(19)	N(2)#1-Cu(1)-N(2)	180.0
N(1)-H(1A)	0.83(2)	C(7)-N(1)-S(1)	117.71(14)
O(3)-C(20)	1.321(2)	C(7)-N(1)-H(1A)	114.5(15)
S(1)-O(2)	1.4312(15)	S(1)-N(1)-H(1A)	114.4(15)
S(1)-O(1)	1.4369(15)	C(20)-O(3)-Cu(1)	126.59(12)
C(13)-N(2)	1.447(2)	O(2)-S(1)-O(1)	120.32(9)
N(2)-C(14)	1.290(2)	O(2)-S(1)-N(1)	107.46(9)
		O(1)-S(1)-N(1)	106.07(10)
		O(2)-S(1)-C(1)	107.36(10)
		O(1)-S(1)-C(1)	107.20(9)
		N(1)-S(1)-C(1)	107.92(9)
		N(1)-C(7)-C(8)	110.10(16)
		C(12)-C(13)-N(2)	117.93(17)
		C(8)-C(13)-N(2)	121.47(17)
		C(14)-N(2)-C(13)	117.90(16)
		C(14)-N(2)-Cu(1)	123.70(13)
		C(13)-N(2)-Cu(1)	118.28(12)
		N(2)-C(14)-C(15)	125.83(17)

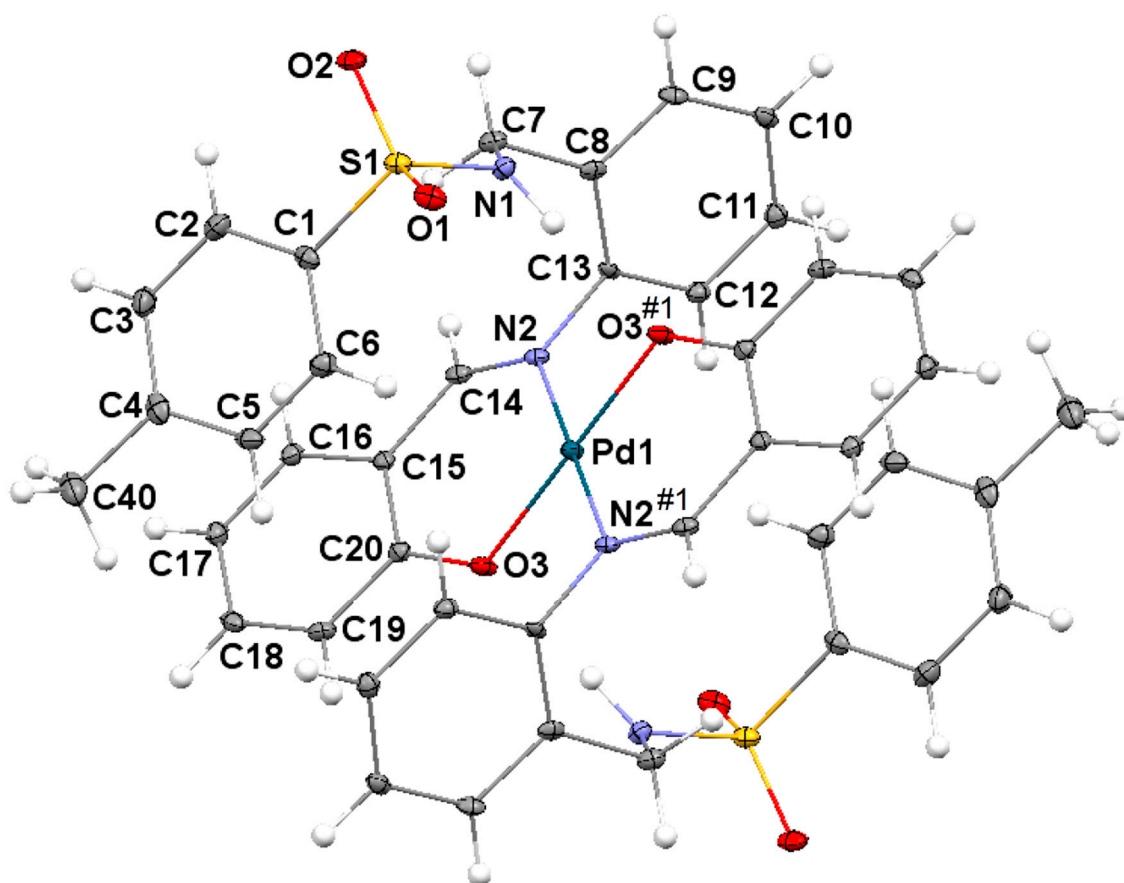
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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x,-y,-z.

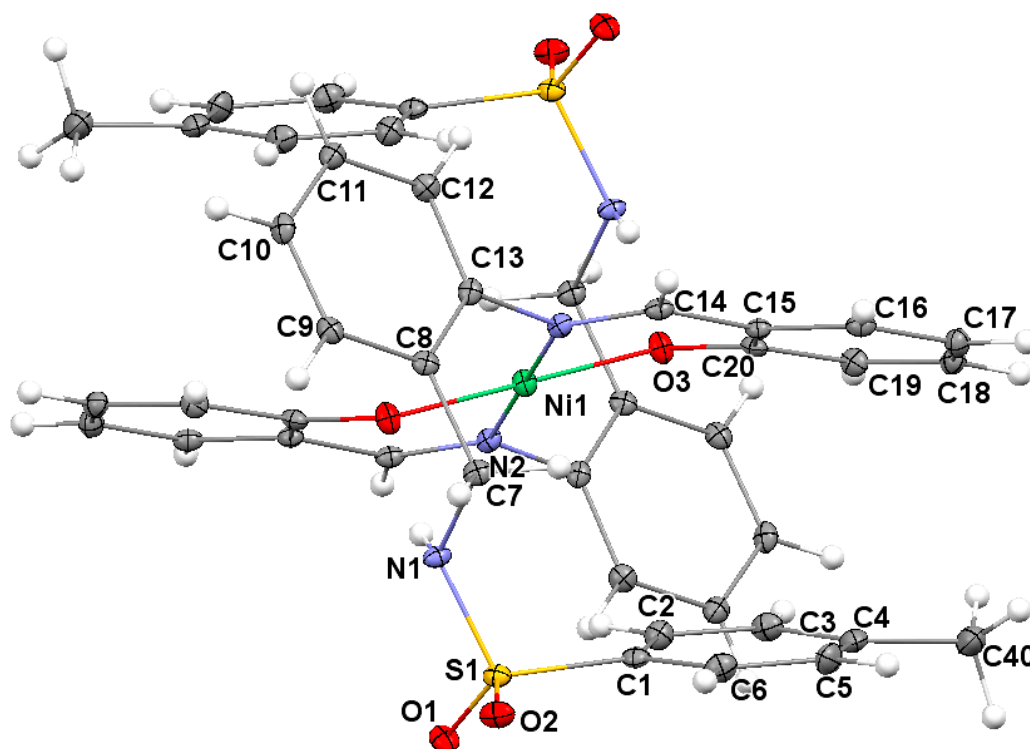
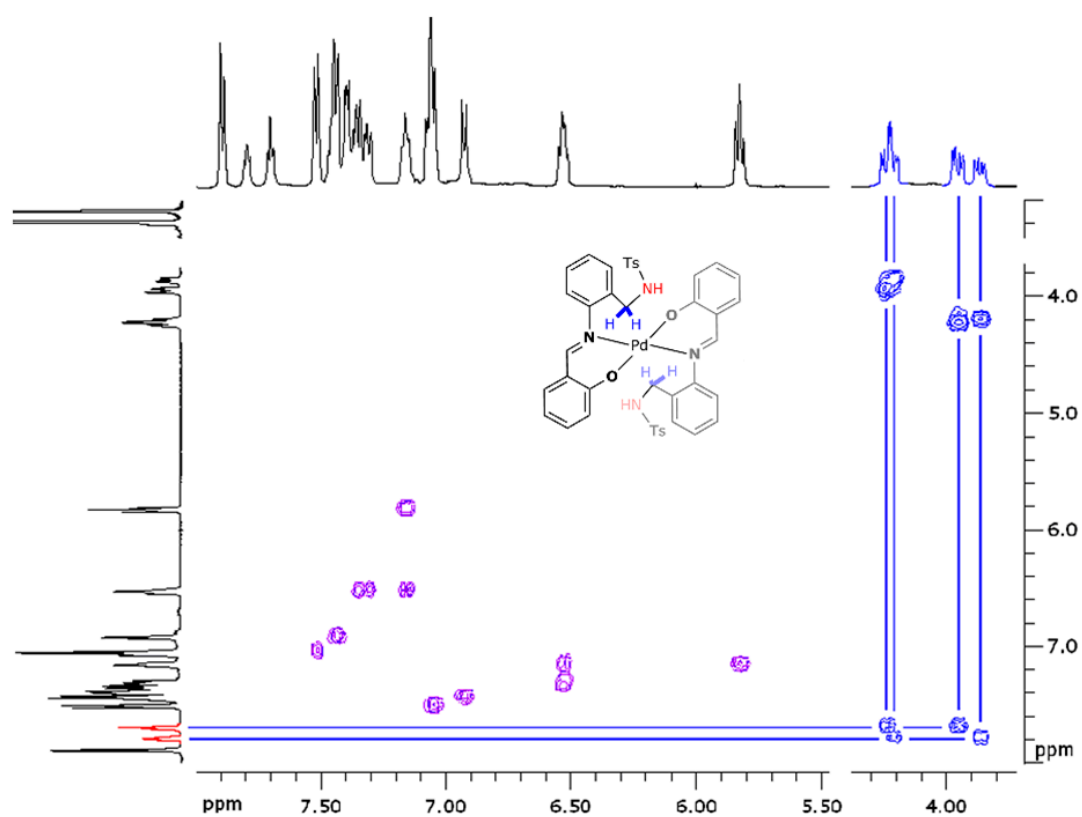
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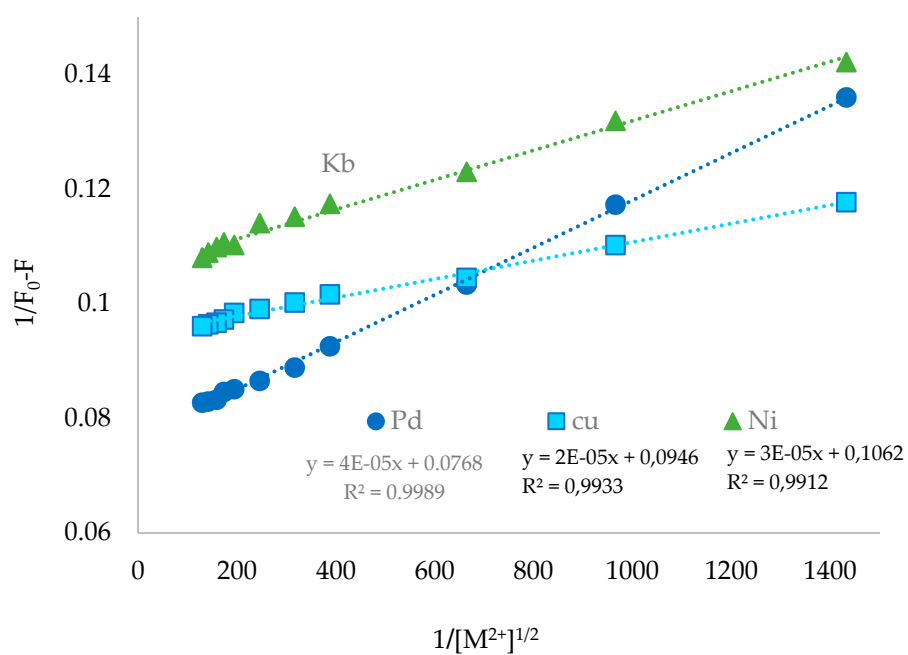
D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)
N(1)-H(1A)...O(3)#1	0.83(2)	2.06(2)	2.857(2)	162(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x,-y,-z.

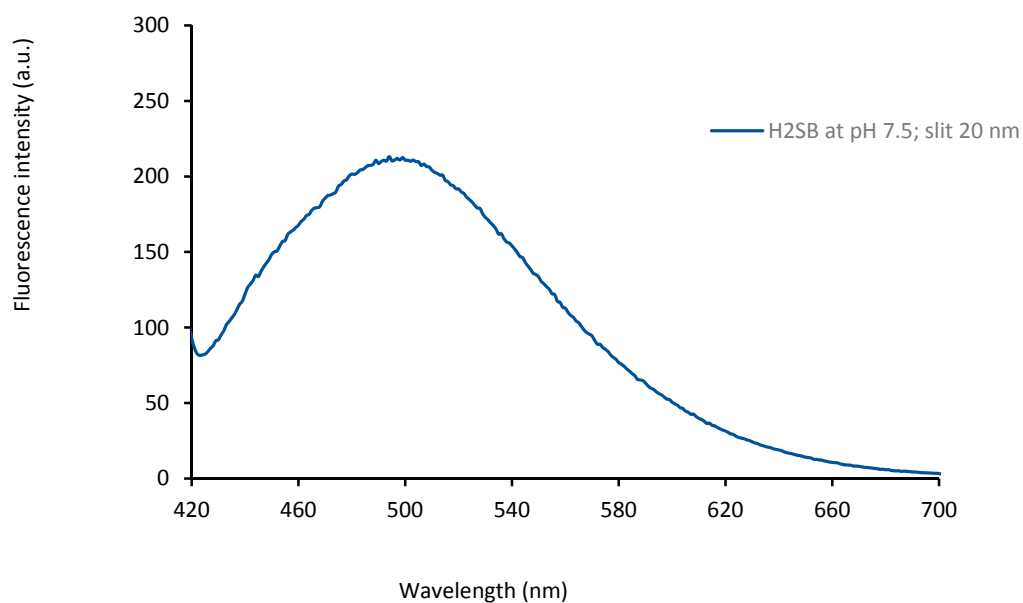


**Figure S1.** Molecular structure of Pd(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.

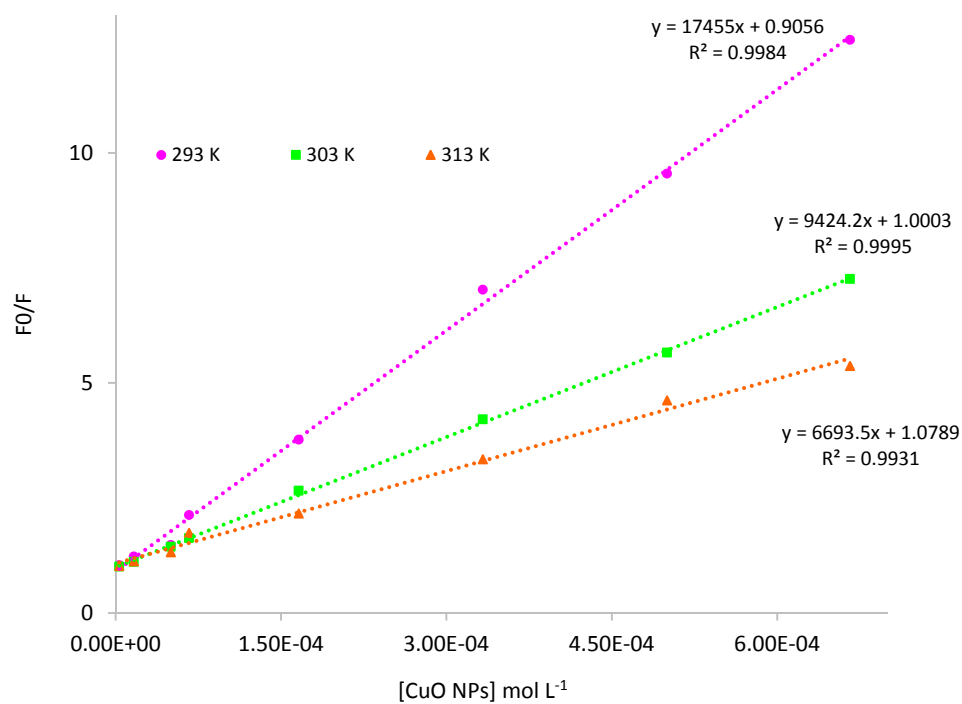
Figure S2. Molecular structure of Ni(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.Figure S3. 2 D COSY spectrum of Pd(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.



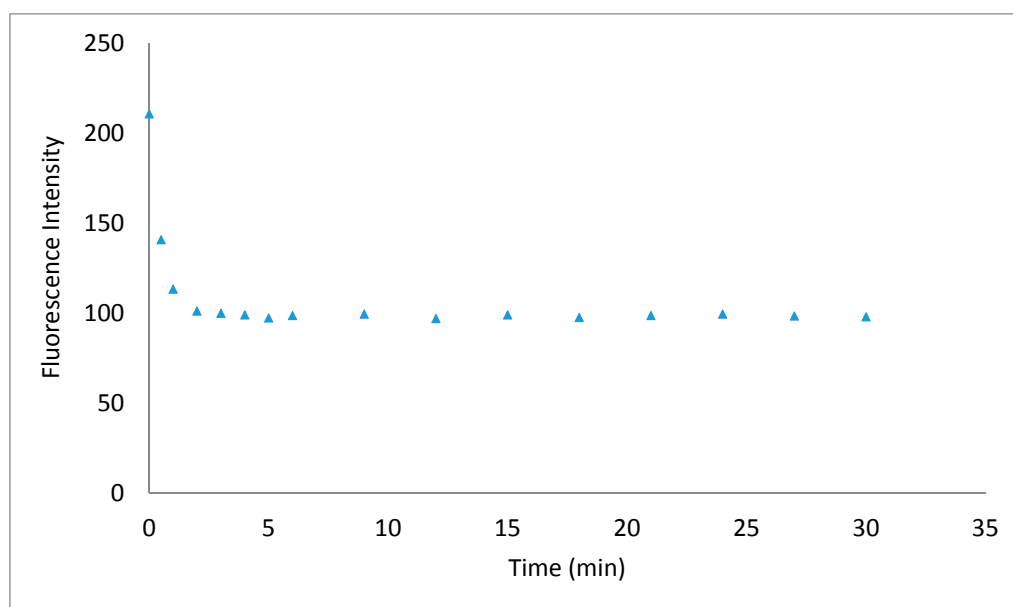
**Figure S4.** Benesi-Hildebrand plot from fluorescence titration data of H<sub>2</sub>SB (100  $\mu$ M) with Pd<sup>2+</sup>, Ni<sup>2+</sup> and Cu<sup>2+</sup>: Determination of binding constants in Pd(HSB)<sub>2</sub>, Ni(HSB)<sub>2</sub> and Cu(HSB)<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S5.1.** Fluorescence spectrum of H<sub>2</sub>SB (100  $\mu$ M,) measured in methanol-water in 80:20 v/v.

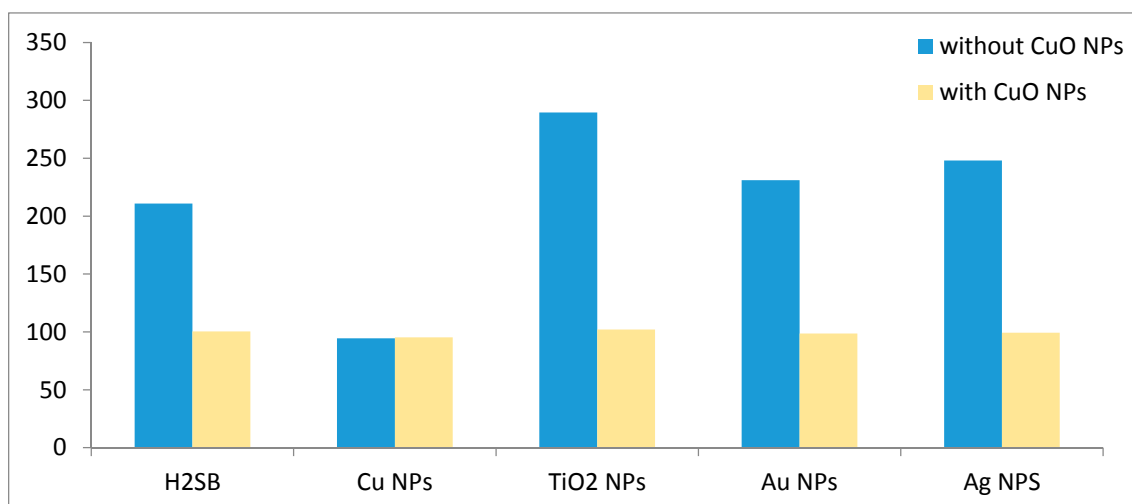


**Figure S5.2.** Plot of the intensities of the fluorescence spectra vs the concentration of CuO NPs. Slopes of the curves at 293, 303 and 313K are Stern–Volmer constants ( $K_{sv}$ ) at the cited temperatures.



**Figure S6.** Plot of the intensity fluorescence vs time elapsed after the addition of CuO NPs (0.1 mL,  $100 \mu\text{M}$ ) to  $\text{H}_2\text{SB}$  (1 mL,  $100 \mu\text{M}$ ).





**Figure S7.** Fluorescence responses of H<sub>2</sub>SB (1.0 mL, 100 μM) toward a suspension of CuO NPs (0.1 mL, 100 μM) in the presence of TiO<sub>2</sub>, Cu, Ag and Au NPs (0.1 mL, 100 μM). All experiments were performed in ethanol-water in 80:20 v/v (pH about 7.0) under  $\lambda_{ex} = 390$  nm.