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Lanthanide Coordination Complexes: Advances in Ligand Design, Structure, and Luminescent Applications

Message from the Guest Editor

Lanthanide coordination complexes are considered to be the most promising novel advanced materials because of their fascinating optical and electrochemical properties. Trivalent lanthanide complexes are currently utilized in dye-sensitized solar cells (DSSCs), optical devices such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), or optical displays. In addition, their luminescence properties make them useful for medical diagnosis procedures for cell imaging and antimicrobial activities or as biosensing chemicals in aqueous media. More importantly, to achieve the efficient sensitization of a lanthanide(III) ion, the design and manipulation of its ligand's triplet state energy are the key. Therefore, this Special Issue focuses on the recent research advances in the field of lanthanide coordination chemistry in the course of a ligand's design and the structural features associated with luminescence properties, as well as potential applications of their complexes.

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