

# HYDROGEN STORAGE IN METAL-ORGANIC FRAMEWORKS

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**Project ST10**

# Overview

## Timeline

- Project start date: 5/1/2005
- Project end date: 4/30/2009

## Budget

- Total project funding: DOE \$1.6 M
- Funding received FY 05: \$112 K
- Funding for FY 06: 150 K
- Funding for FY 07: 430 K

## Barriers addressed

Technical barriers addressed:

- Improved gravimetric and volumetric density of hydrogen uptake
- Hydrogen capacity and fast kinetics at 77K
- Improved hydrogen binding energy
- Synthesis scale up of MOFs to cubic meters

Technical system targets by 2010:

- Gravimetric capacity: 6 wt% and 1.5 kWh/L; Volume capacity: 45gH/L; operating temperature: -30° to 45°C

## Partners (depends on funding)

- Juergen Eckert (UCSB)
- Joe Hupp (NW)
- Randy Snurr (NW)

# Objectives and important directions

## A. DESIGNING POROSITY

- 1) Increased binding energy
- 2) Increase surface area without increase of dead volume
- 3) Cycling and kinetics of hydrogen charge and discharge
- 4) Impact of open-metal sites on binding energy and uptake capacity
- 5) Impregnation with polymers and nano-particles of light metals

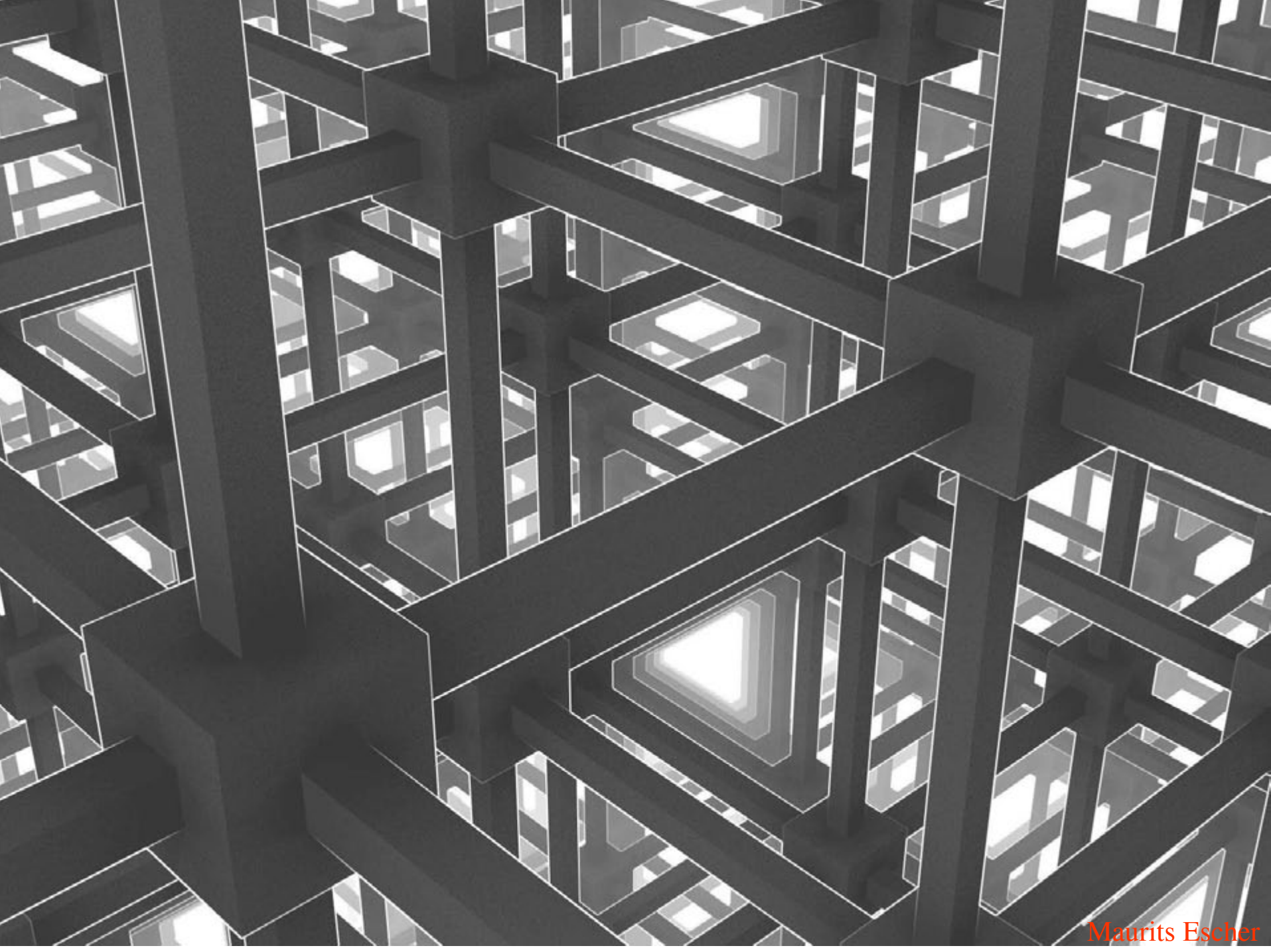
## B. MOFs AS MOLECULAR FUEL TANKS

- 1) Scale up of favored MOFs
- 2) Transfer of samples to DOE for independent verification of data
- 3) Establish a standard for hydrogen storage measurements

***Reticular chemistry** is concerned with linking of molecular building blocks (organic molecules, inorganic clusters, dendrimers, peptides, proteins,...) into predetermined structures in which such units are repeated and are held together by strong bonds.*

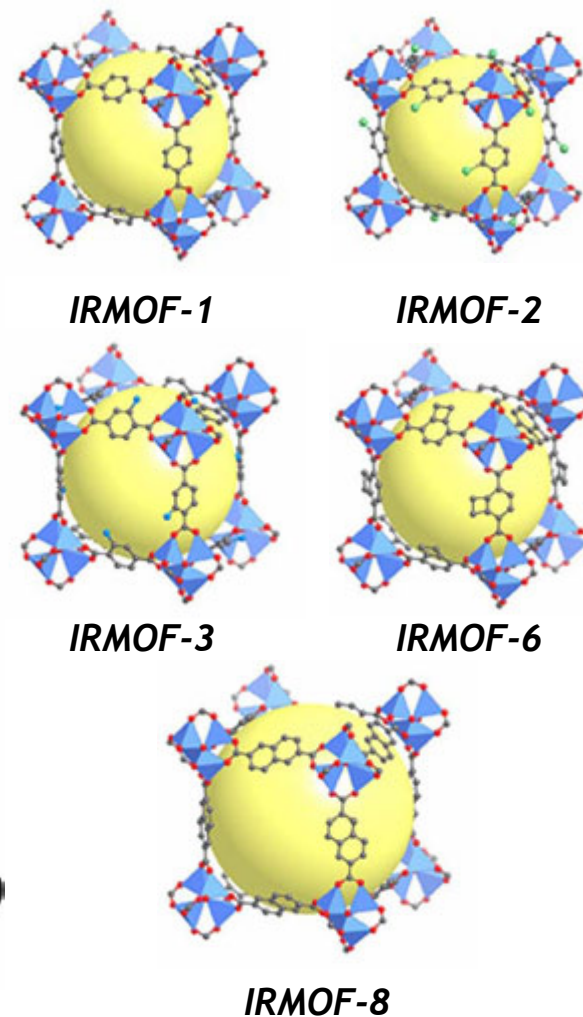
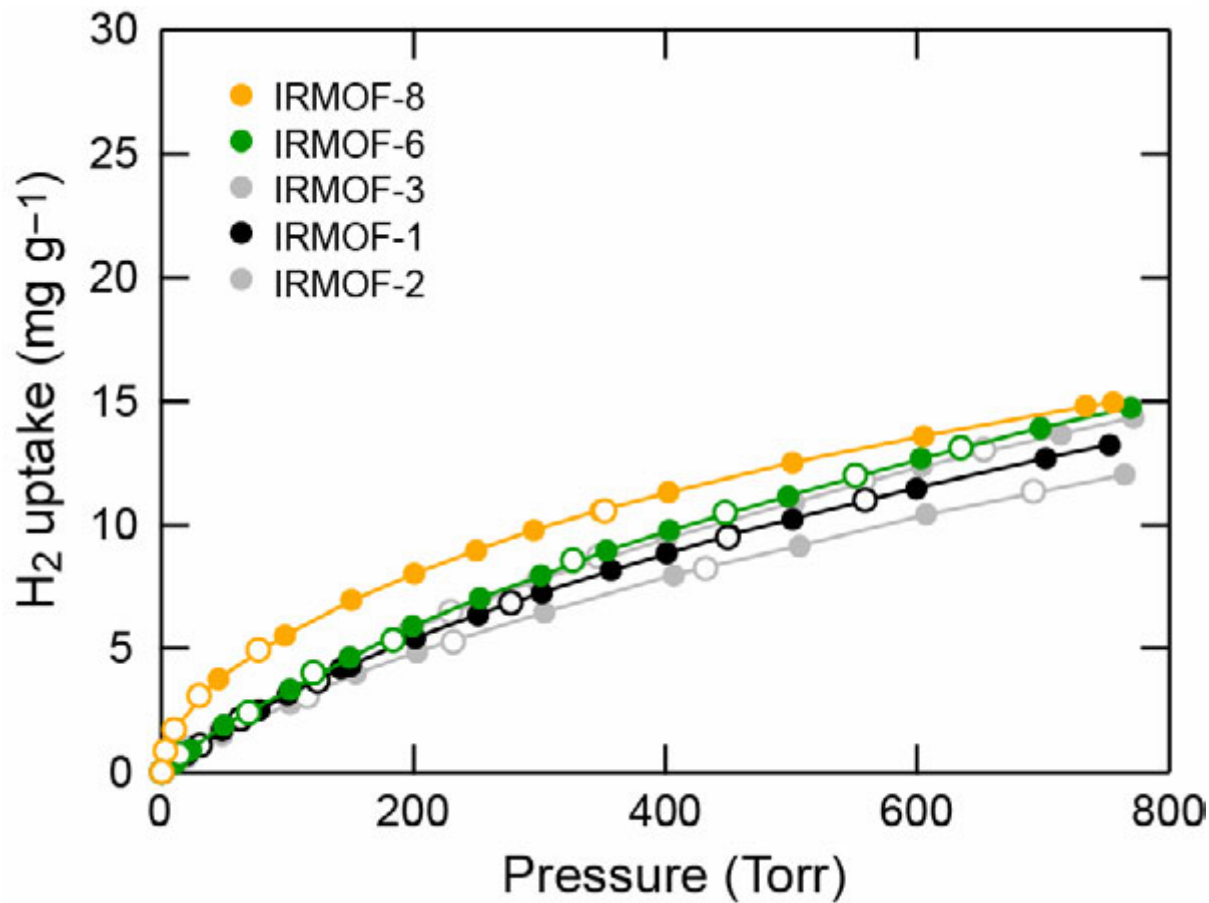
# DESIGN OF POROSITY

- ❑ Control of the organic link's functionality
- ❑ Variation in metal-oxide units' size and composition
- ❑ Control of pore-metrics
- ❑ Exposition of metal-sites within the pores
- ❑ Strategies for achieving high surface areas
- ❑ Control of dead volume



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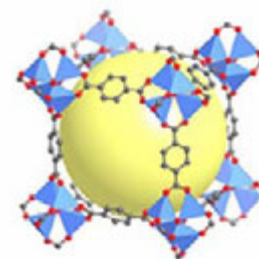
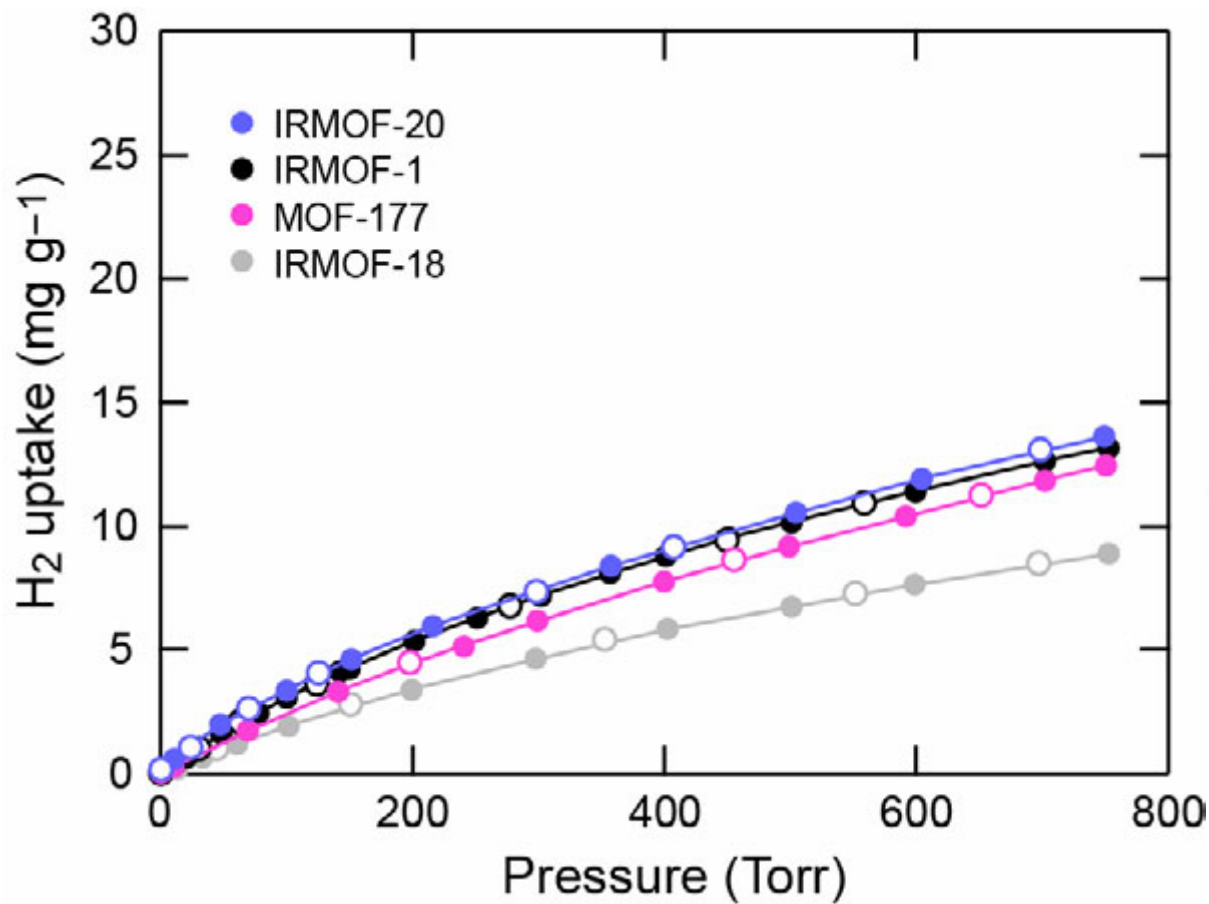
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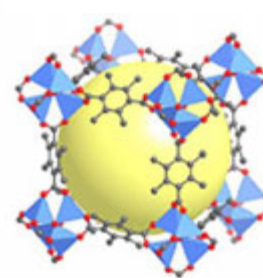


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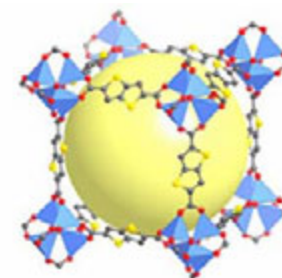
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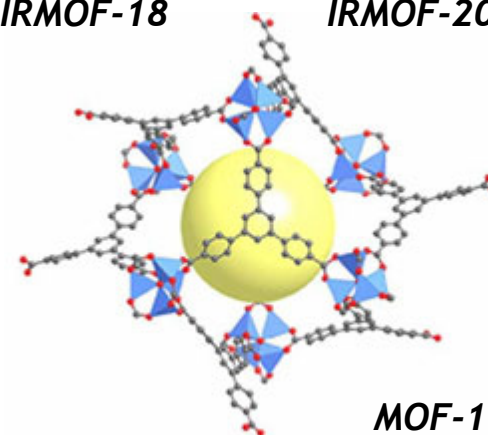
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*IRMOF-18*

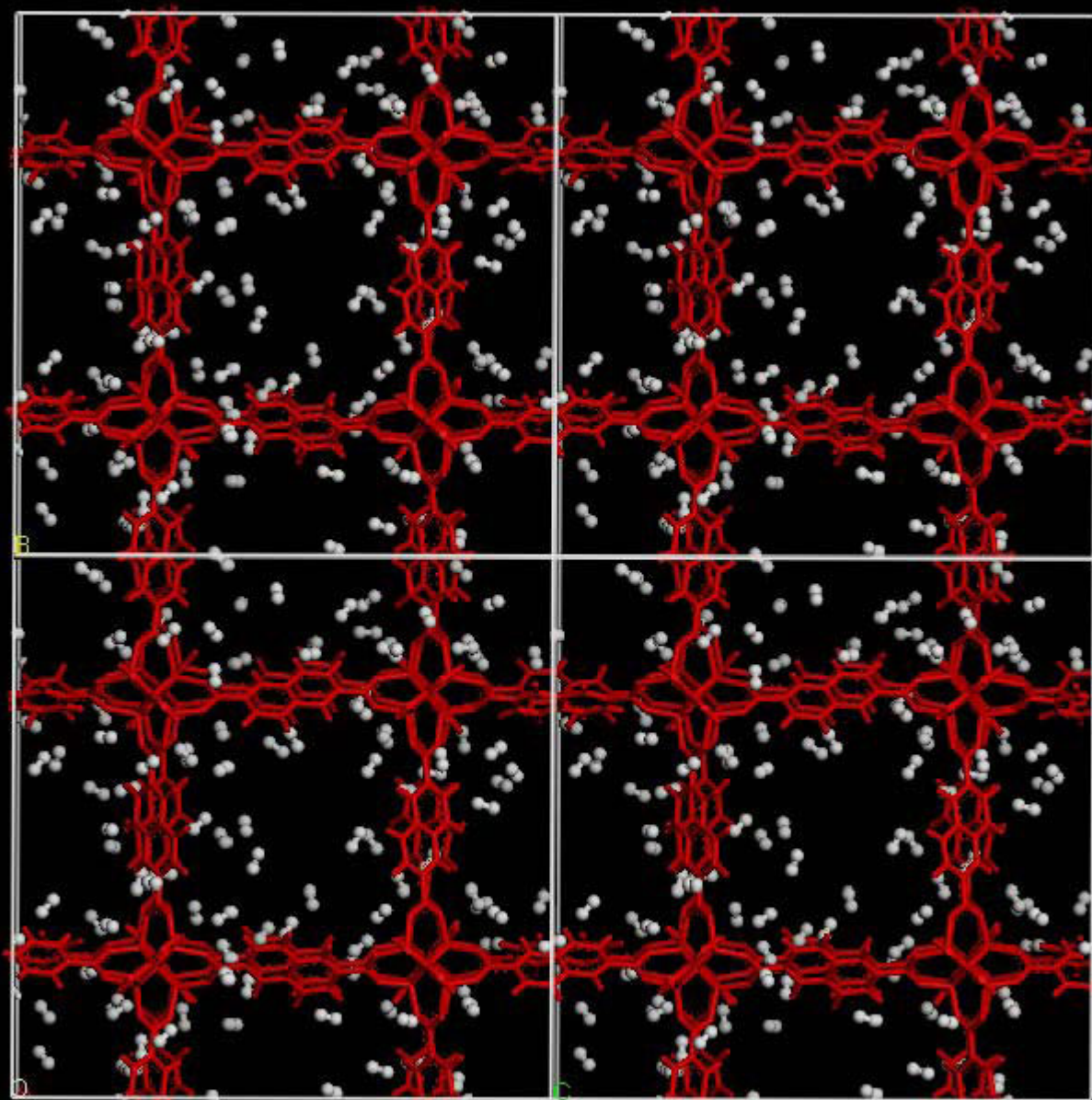


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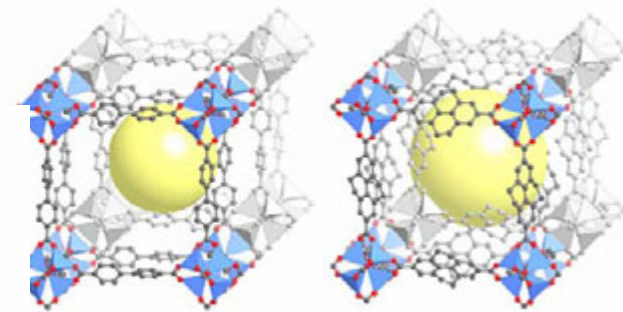
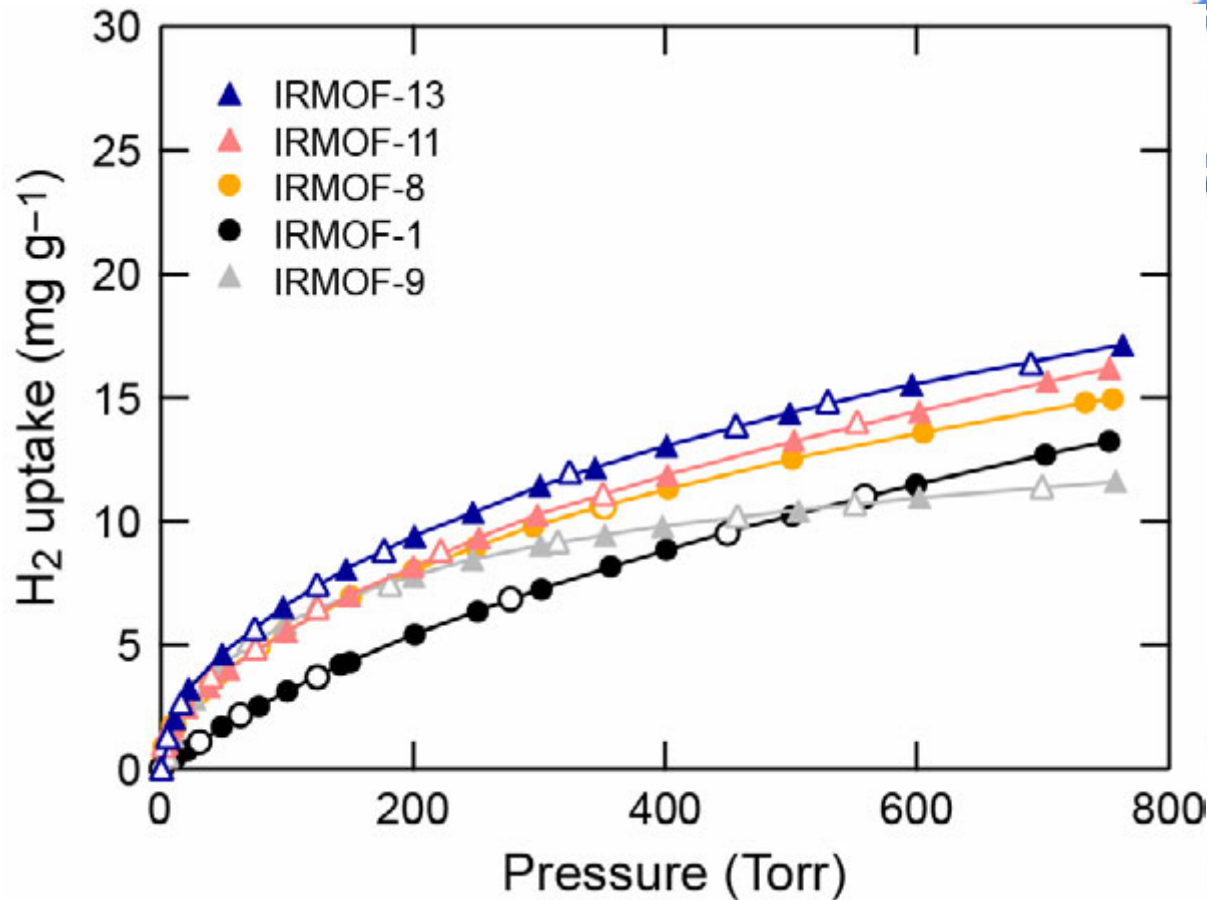
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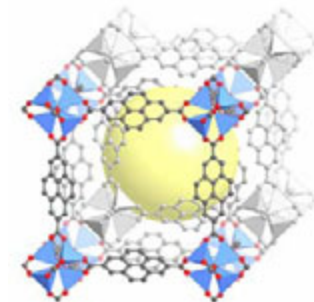
# H<sub>2</sub> Adsorption in Catenated MOFs

Catenation increases uptake by 40% relative to non-catenated

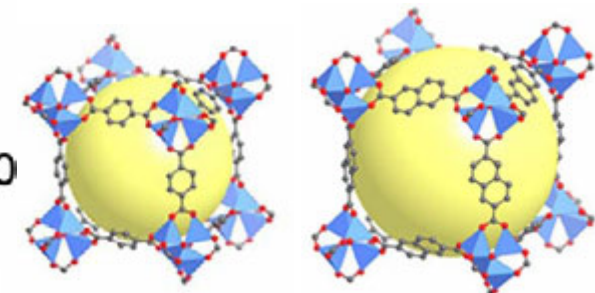


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*IRMOF-11*



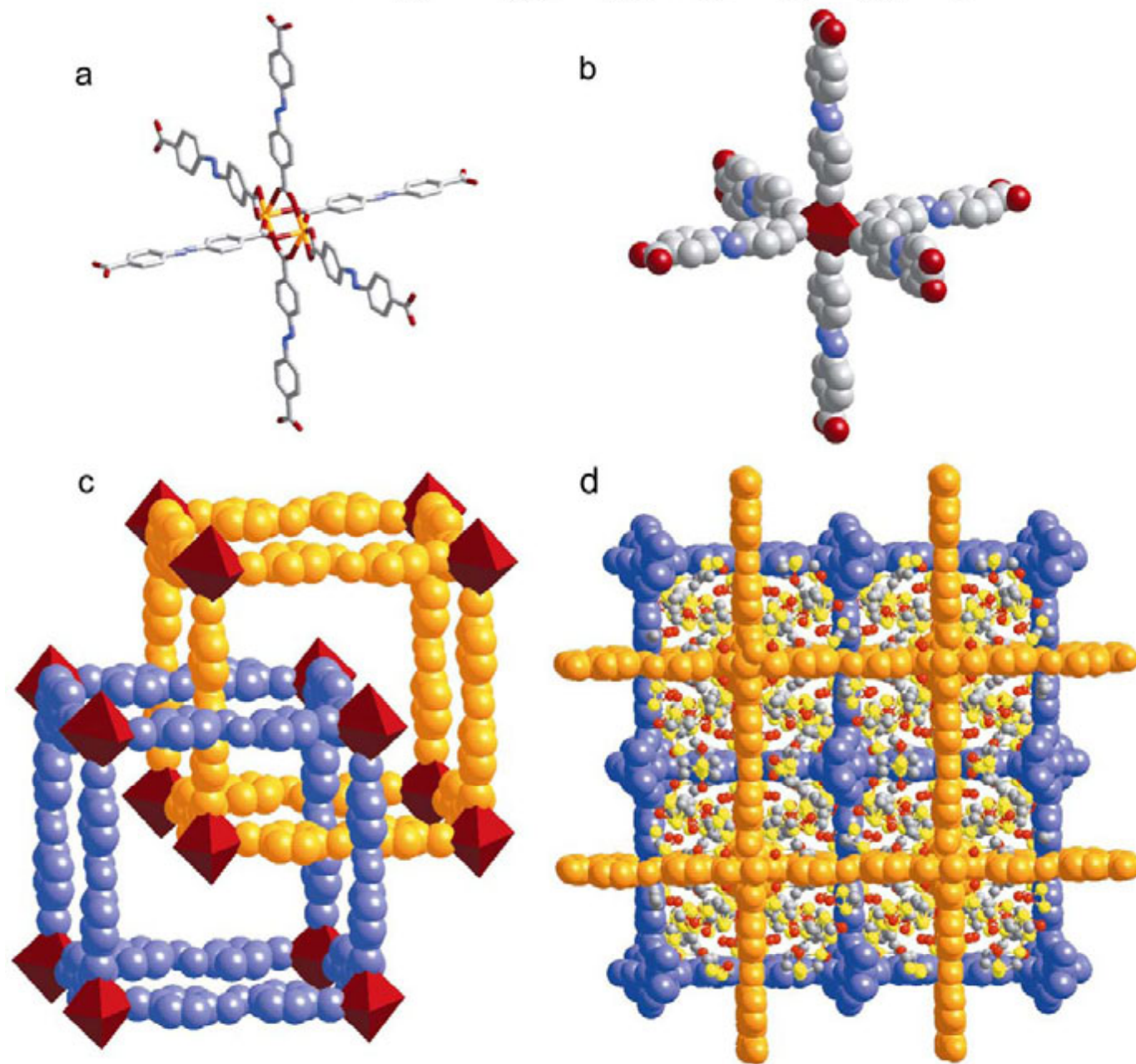
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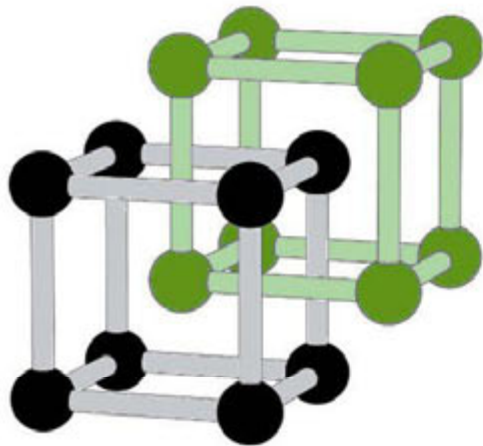
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MOF-9:  $\text{Tb}_2(\text{ADB})_3[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SO}]_4 \cdot 16[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SO}]$



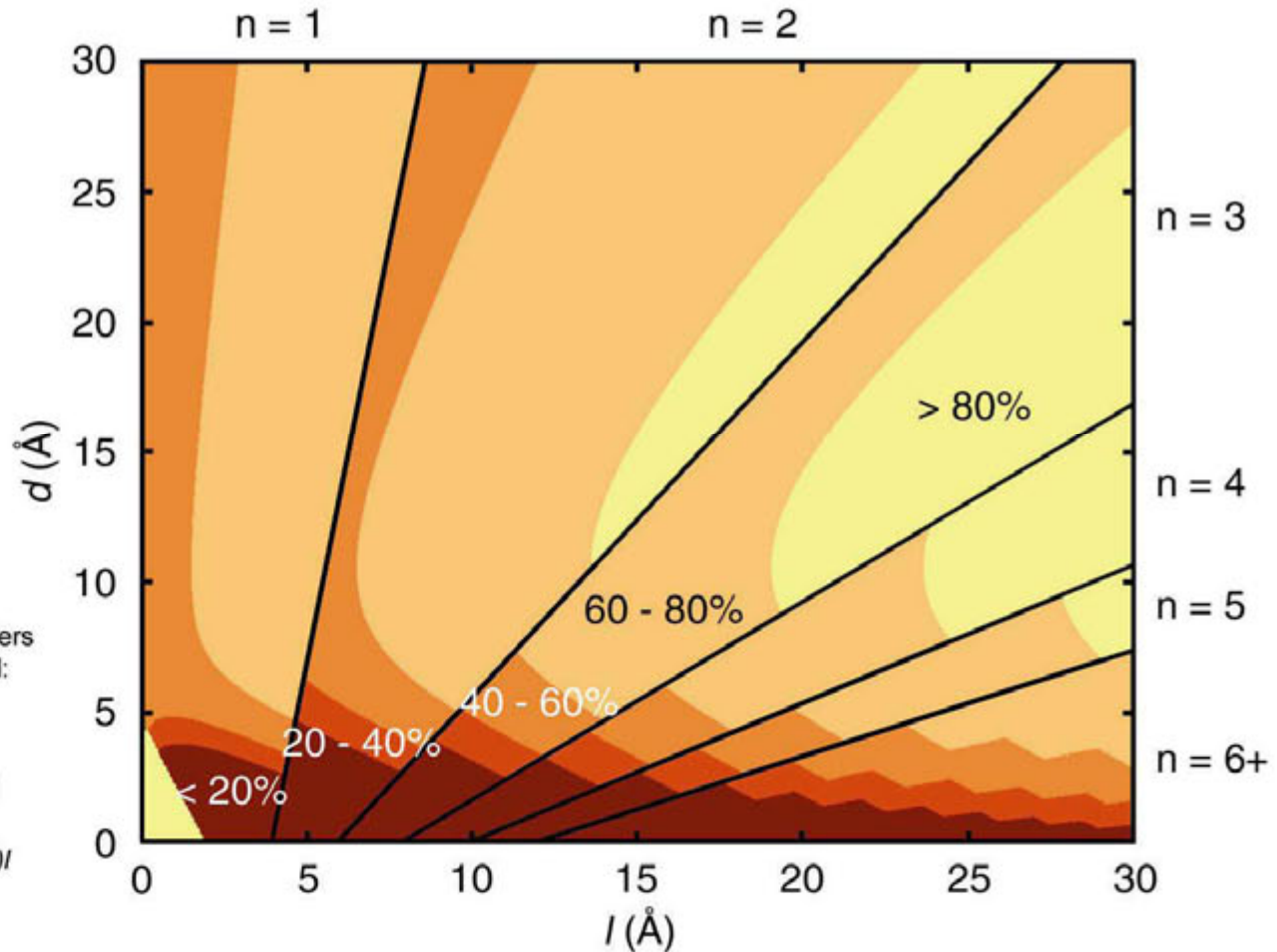


# Large Free Volume in Interpenetrating Networks: The role of Secondary Building Units

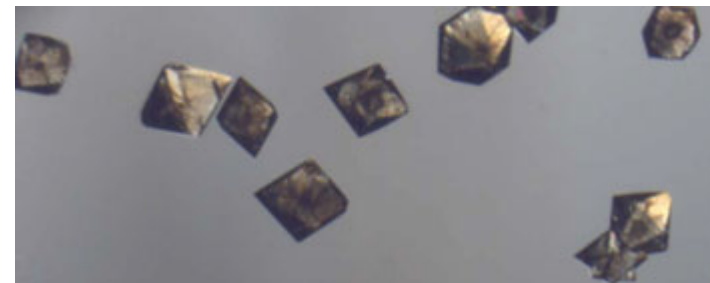
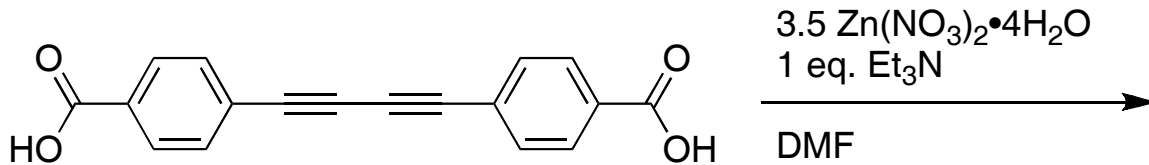


Cell edge:  $a = d + l$   
 van der Waals Radius of SBU =  $\delta / 2$   
 For  $n$  frameworks to interpenetrate with centers of the SBUs aligned along the body diagonal:  
 $n(d + \delta) \leq \sqrt{3} a$  thus  $n \leq \sqrt{3} (d + l) / (d + \delta)$

Volume of the cell =  $(d + l)^3$   
 Volume occupied by SBUs / cell =  $n(\pi / 6)d^3$   
 Volume of the linkers / cell =  $3n(\pi r^2)l$   
 Free Volume =  $(d + l)^3 - (n(\pi / 6)d^3 + 3n(\pi r^2)l)$

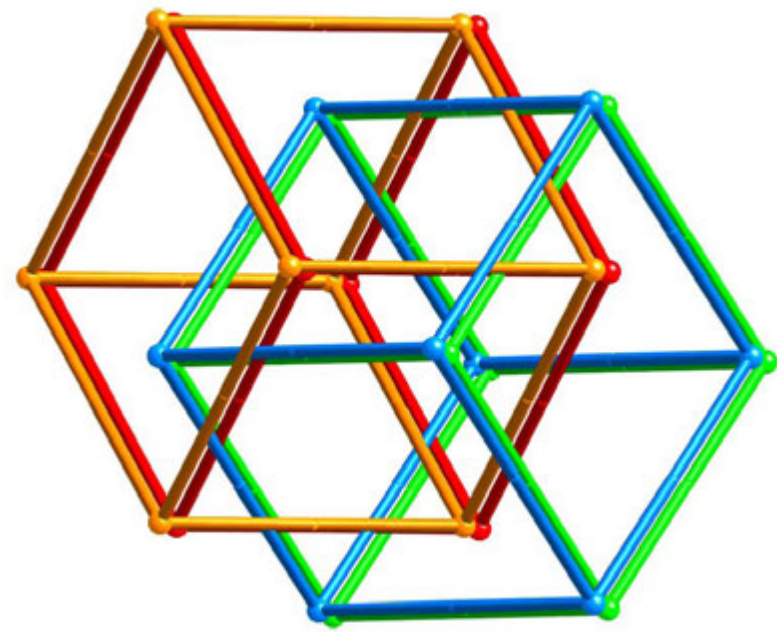
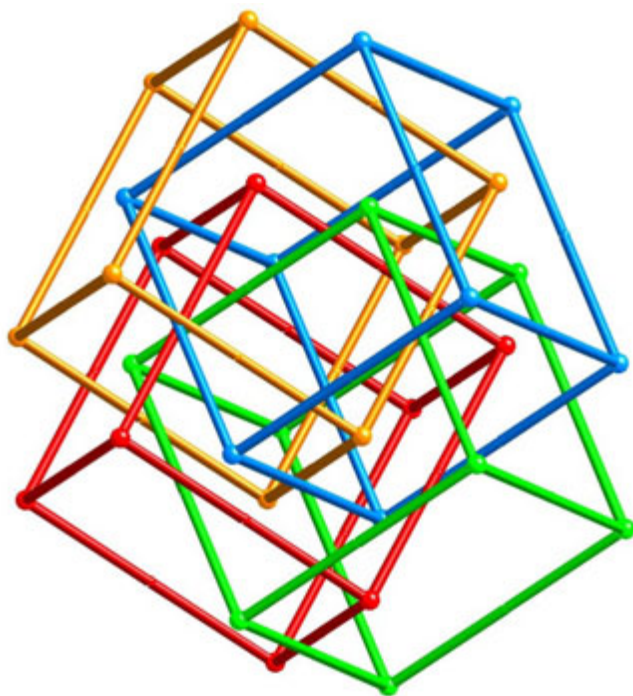


# IRMOF-62: Design of highly catenated MOF with Pore size favored for hydrogen



*MOF-5 like framework*  
*Quadra-interpenetrating*  
*Small channel can be seen along*  
*crystallographic c-axis (5.2 Å in diameter)*  
*Utilization of “edge” (diyne link)*

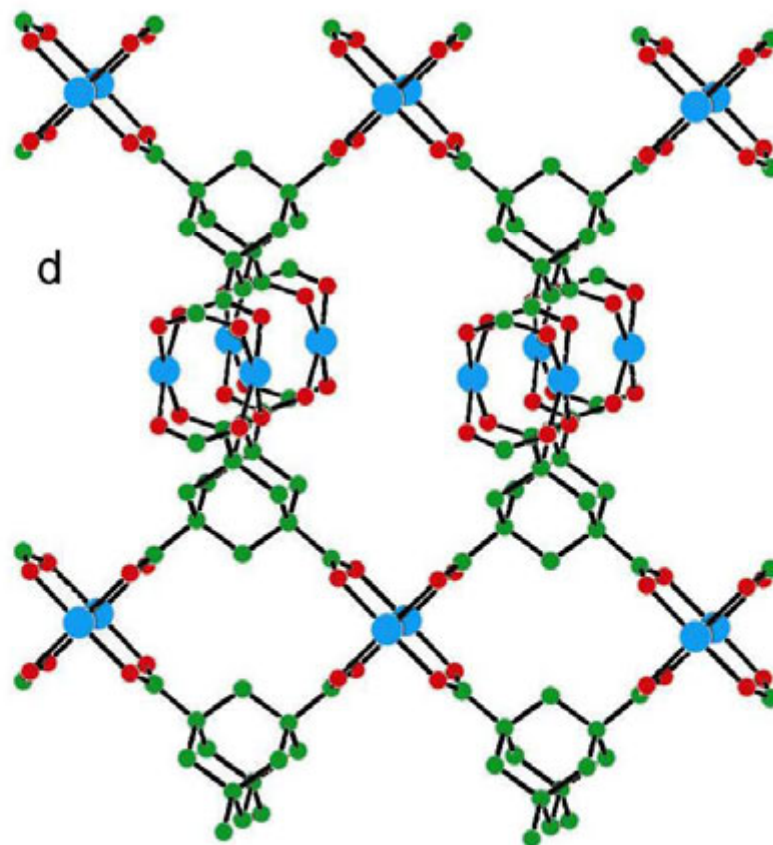
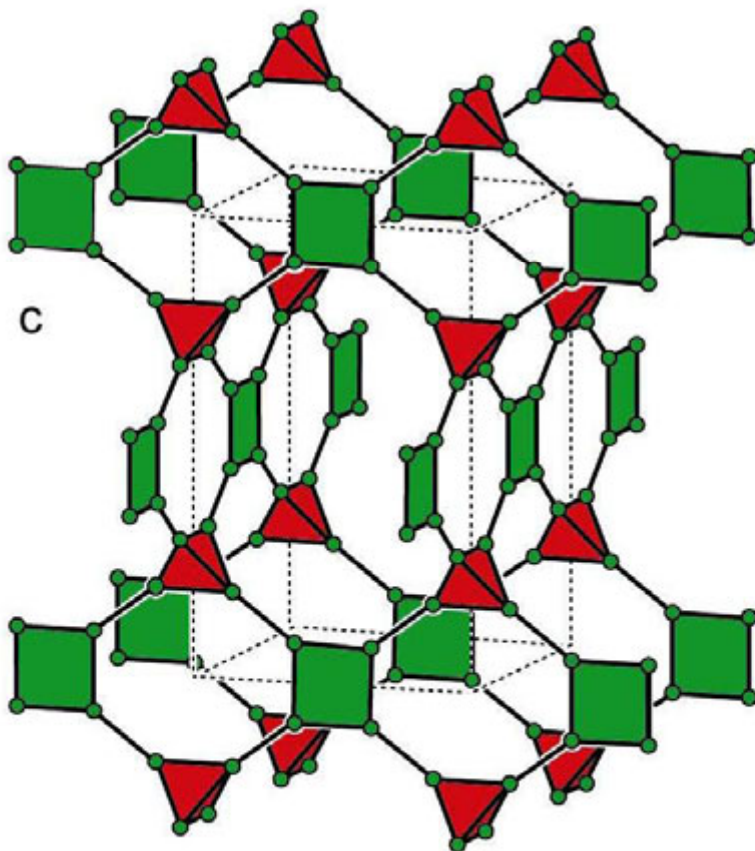
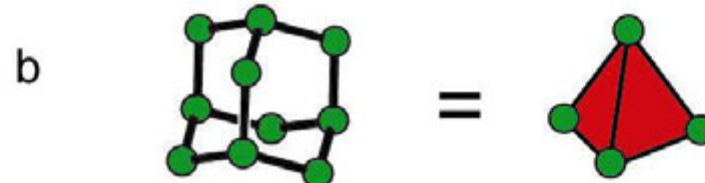
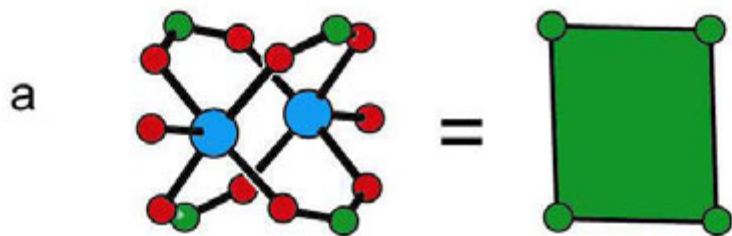
*P3212*  
*a = 31.114(1) Å, c = 39.280(3) Å*  
*Cell Volume: 32931.2(2) Å<sup>3</sup>*  
*d = 0.691 g cm<sup>-3</sup>*



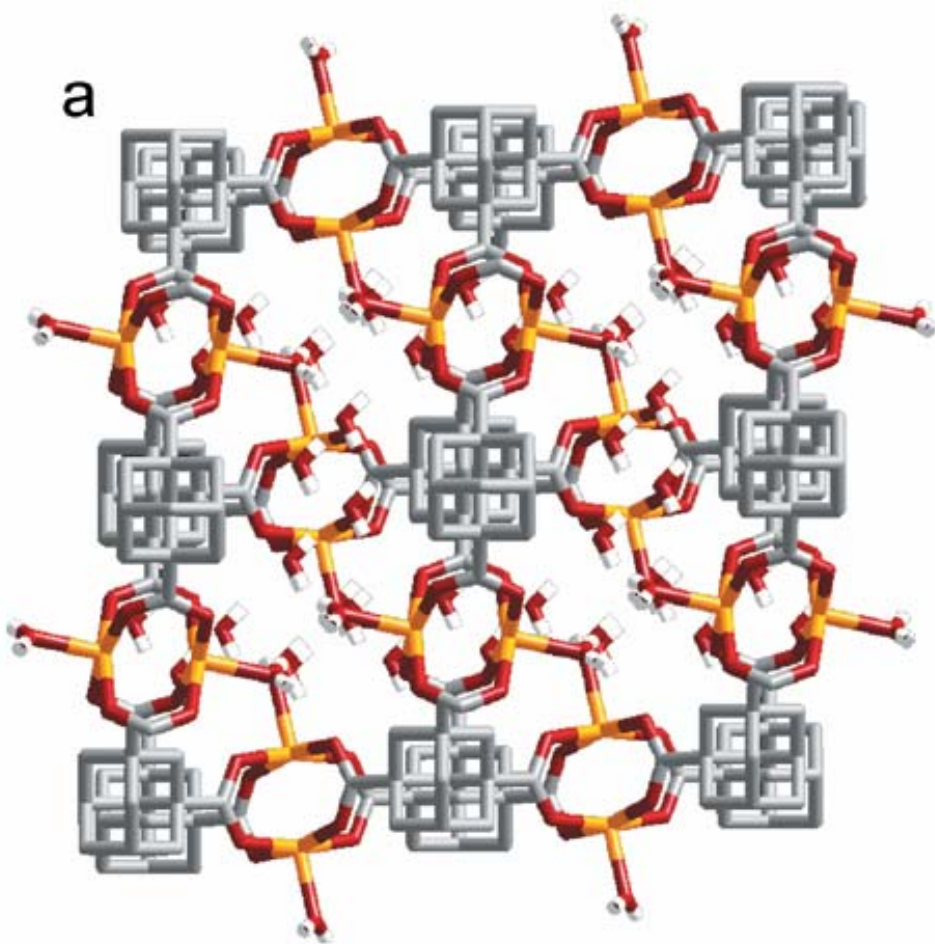
# OPEN METAL SITES

- ❑ Design within MOF frameworks
- ❑ Impact on uptake capacity
- ❑ Impact on adsorption energy

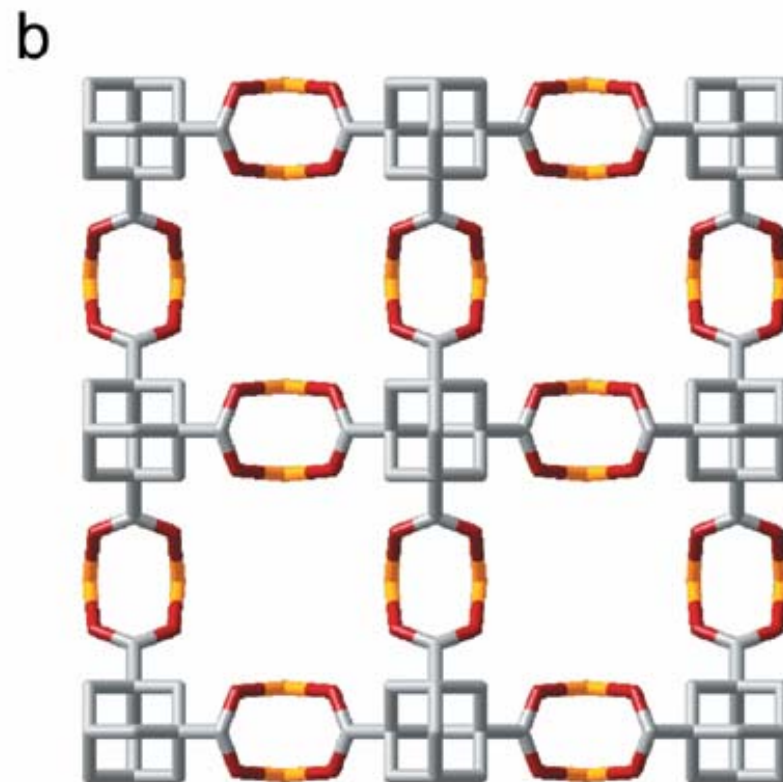
# MOFs with open metal sites



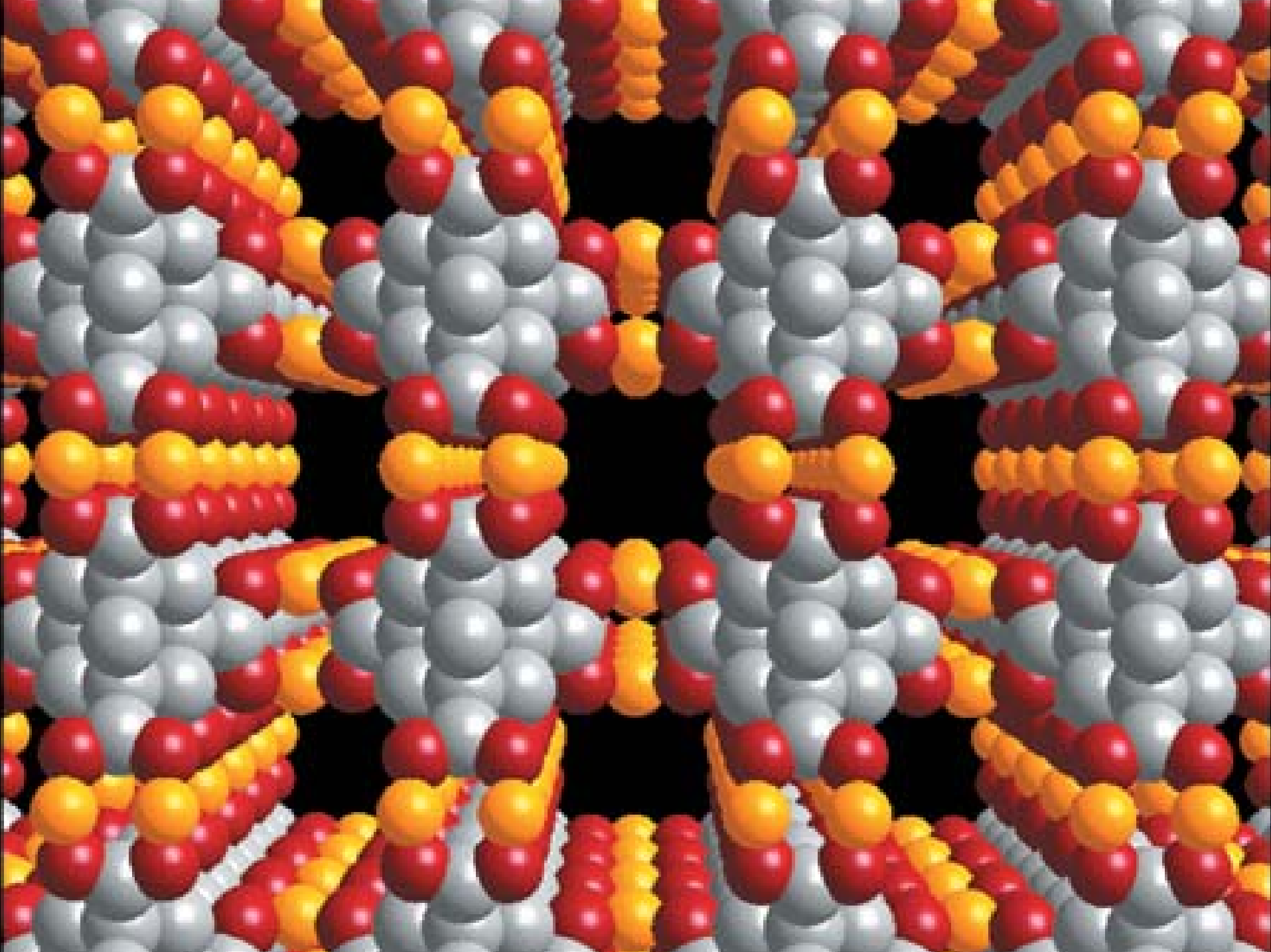




**$\text{Cu}_2(\text{ATC}) \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$**

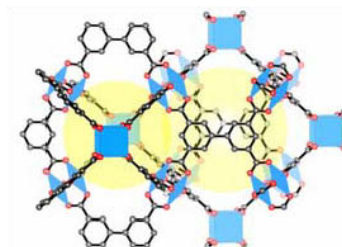
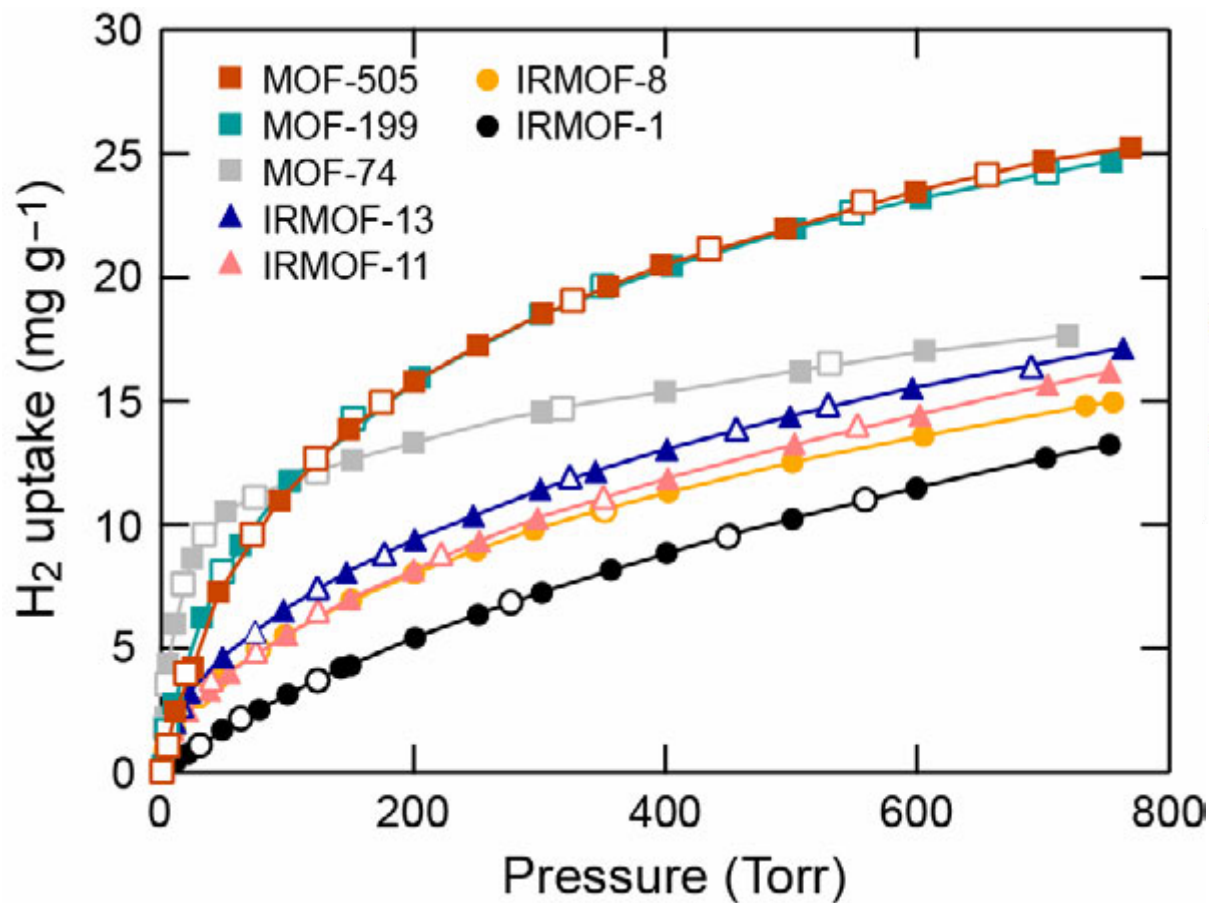


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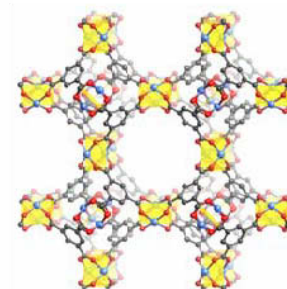


# H<sub>2</sub> Uptake by MOFs with Open-Metal Sites

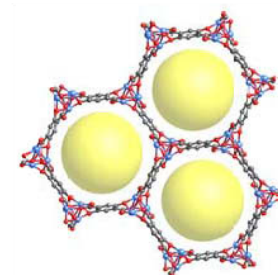
Open metal sites increase uptake by 70%



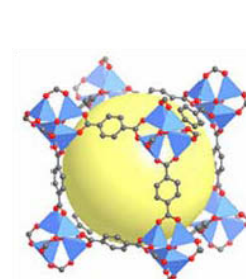
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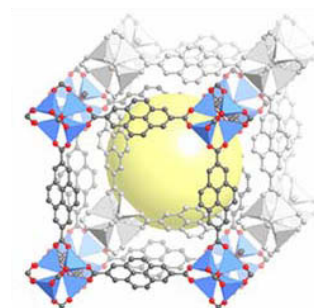
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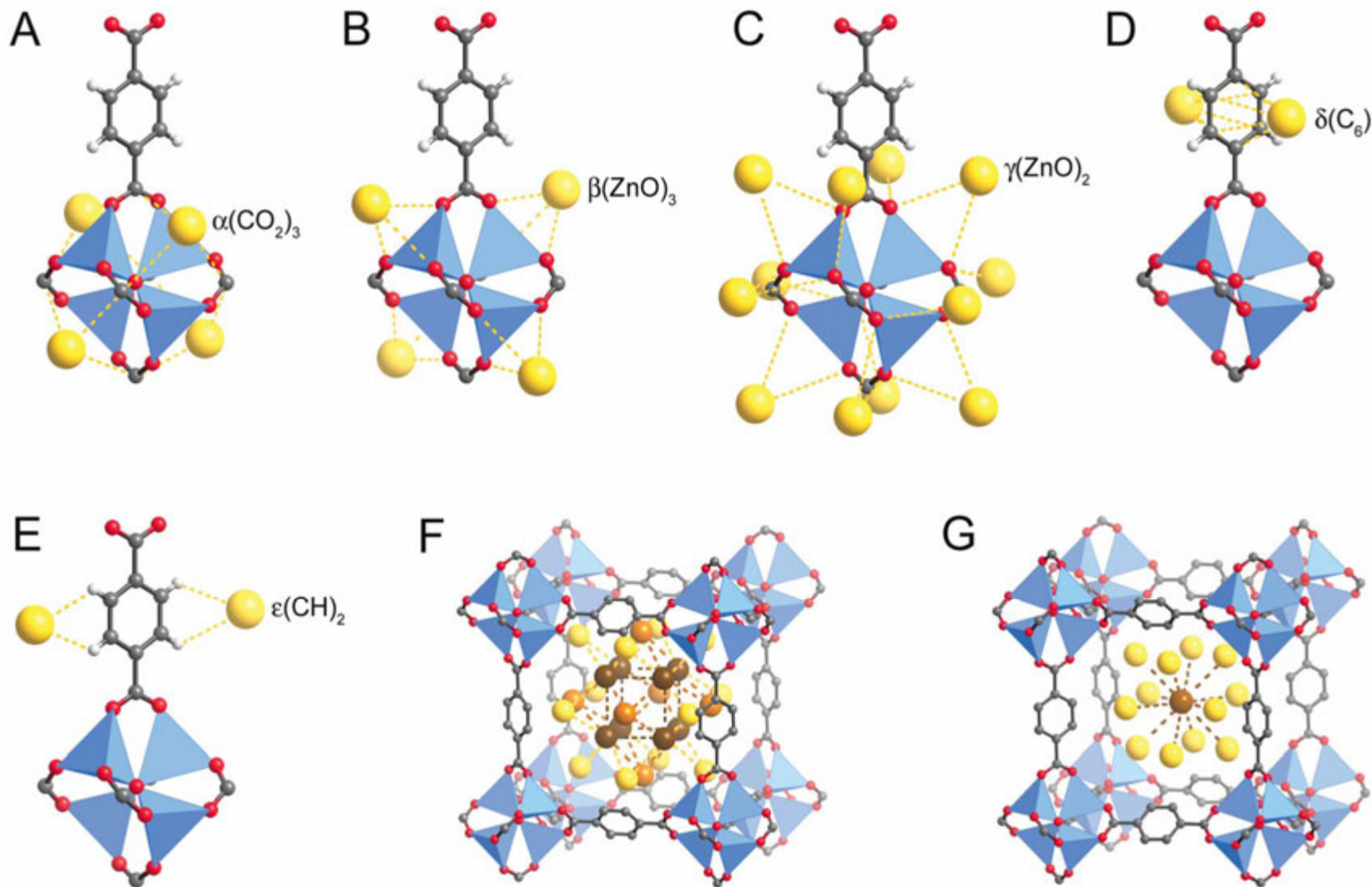


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# Hydrogen Adsorption Sites

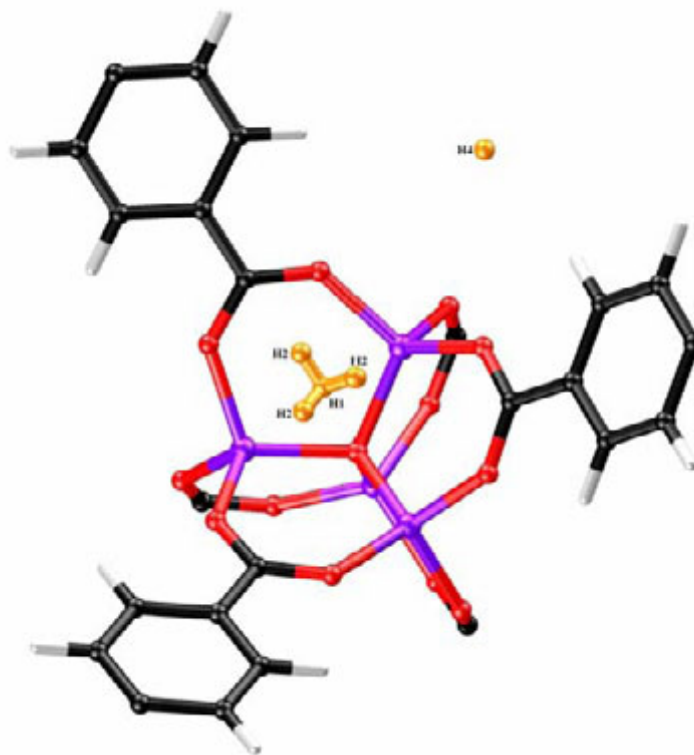
- ❑ Inelastic neutron scattering (reported last review)
- ❑ X-ray single crystal structure on N<sub>2</sub> and Ar
- ❑ Single crystal neutron diffraction

# Single crystal X-ray diffraction at 30 K for Ar guest





# Single Crystal Neutron Diffraction



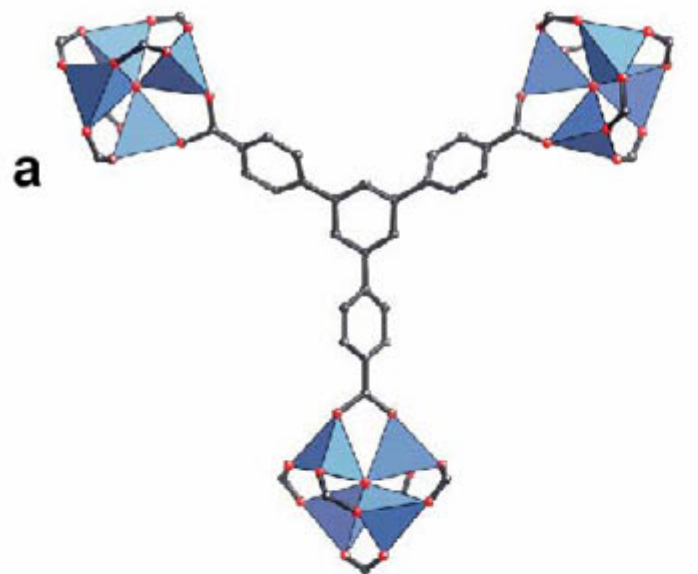
Data collected on VIVALDI (ILL) on 0.5 mm<sup>3</sup> crystal sealed under D<sub>2</sub>

Appearance of D<sub>2</sub> on  $\alpha(\text{CO}_2)_3$  site at 50 K, additional D<sub>2</sub> appears on  $\beta(\text{ZnO})_3$  at 5 K

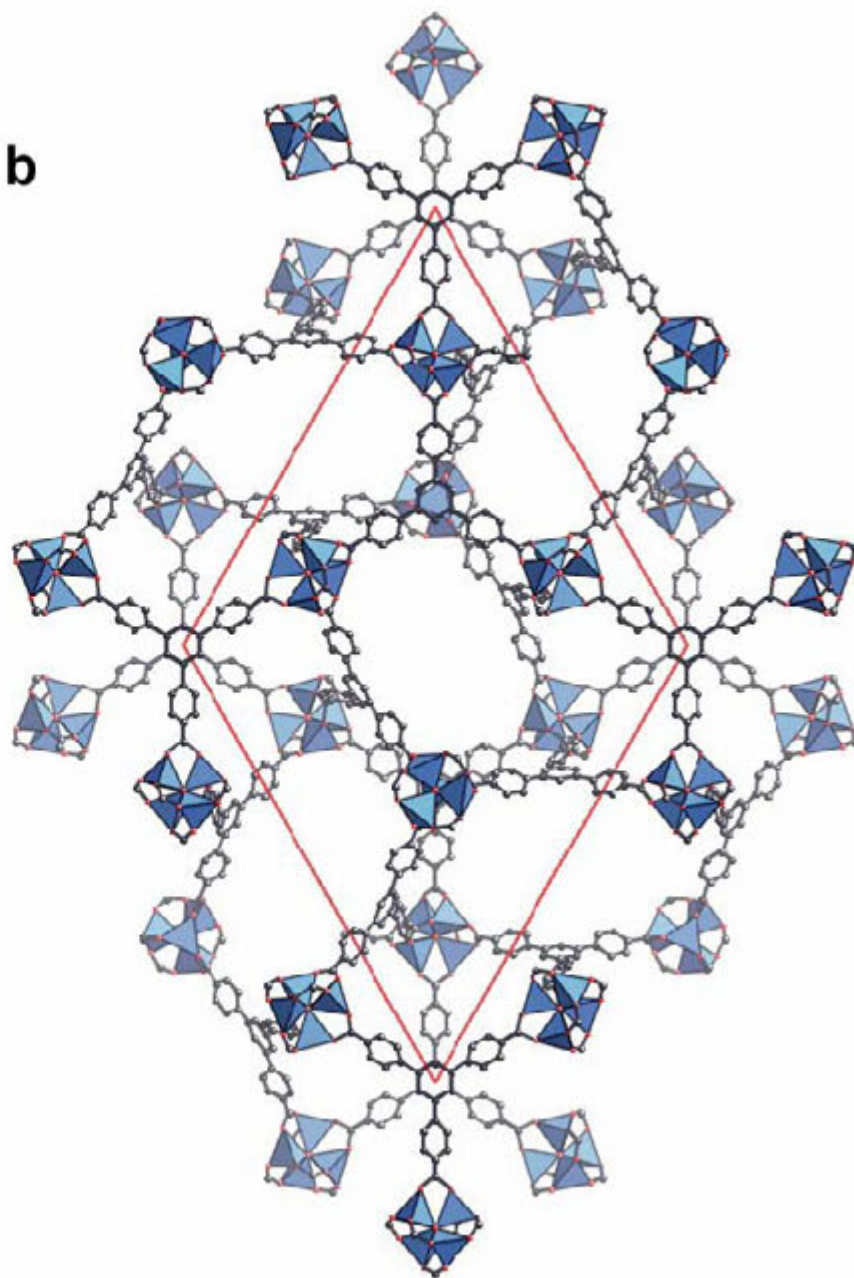
# Relationship of surface area to hydrogen uptake and reversibility of uptake

- ❑ Design of surfaces replete with adsorption sites
- ❑ Can high surface area and reduced dead volume (*i.e.* good volumetric capacity) be achieved in one material?
- ❑ Uptake capacities of MOFs under high pressure conditions and 77K
- ❑ 4. Reversibility of uptake

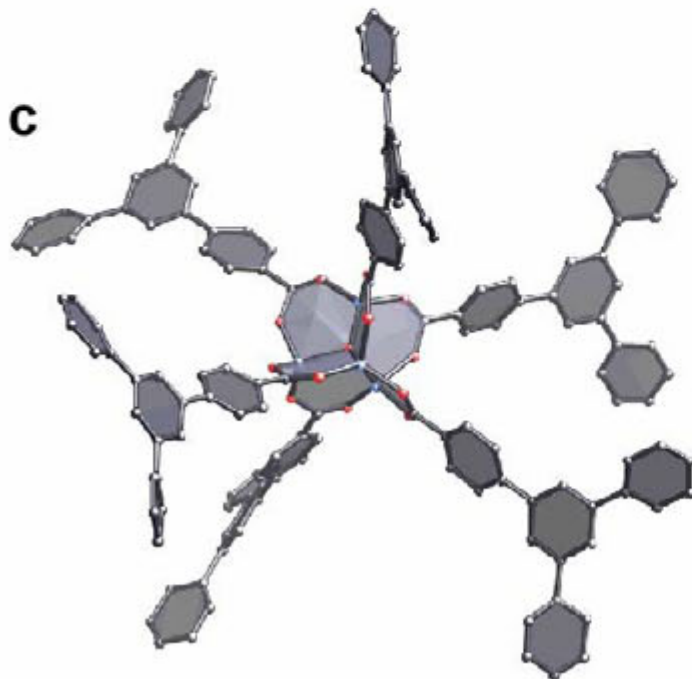




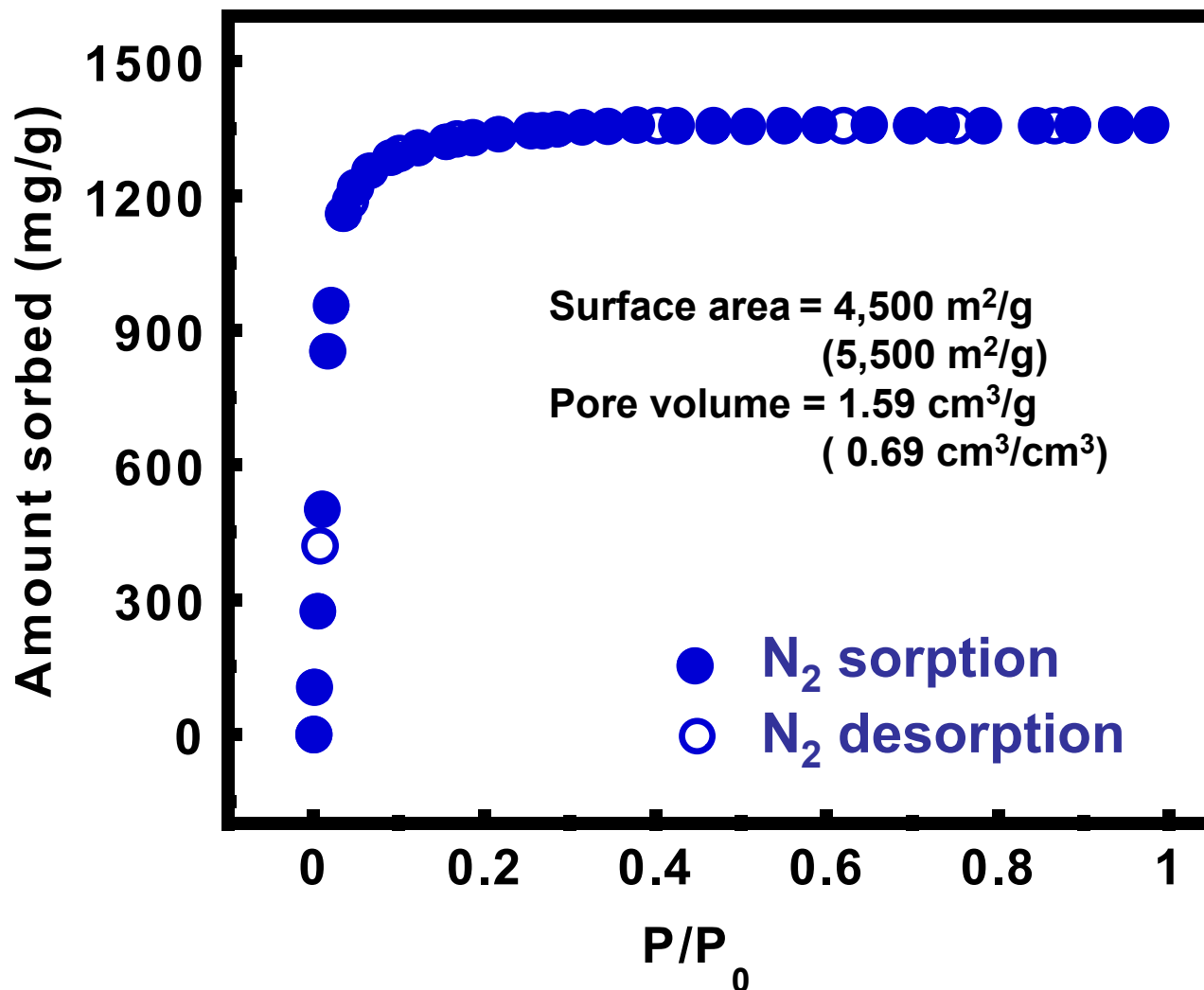
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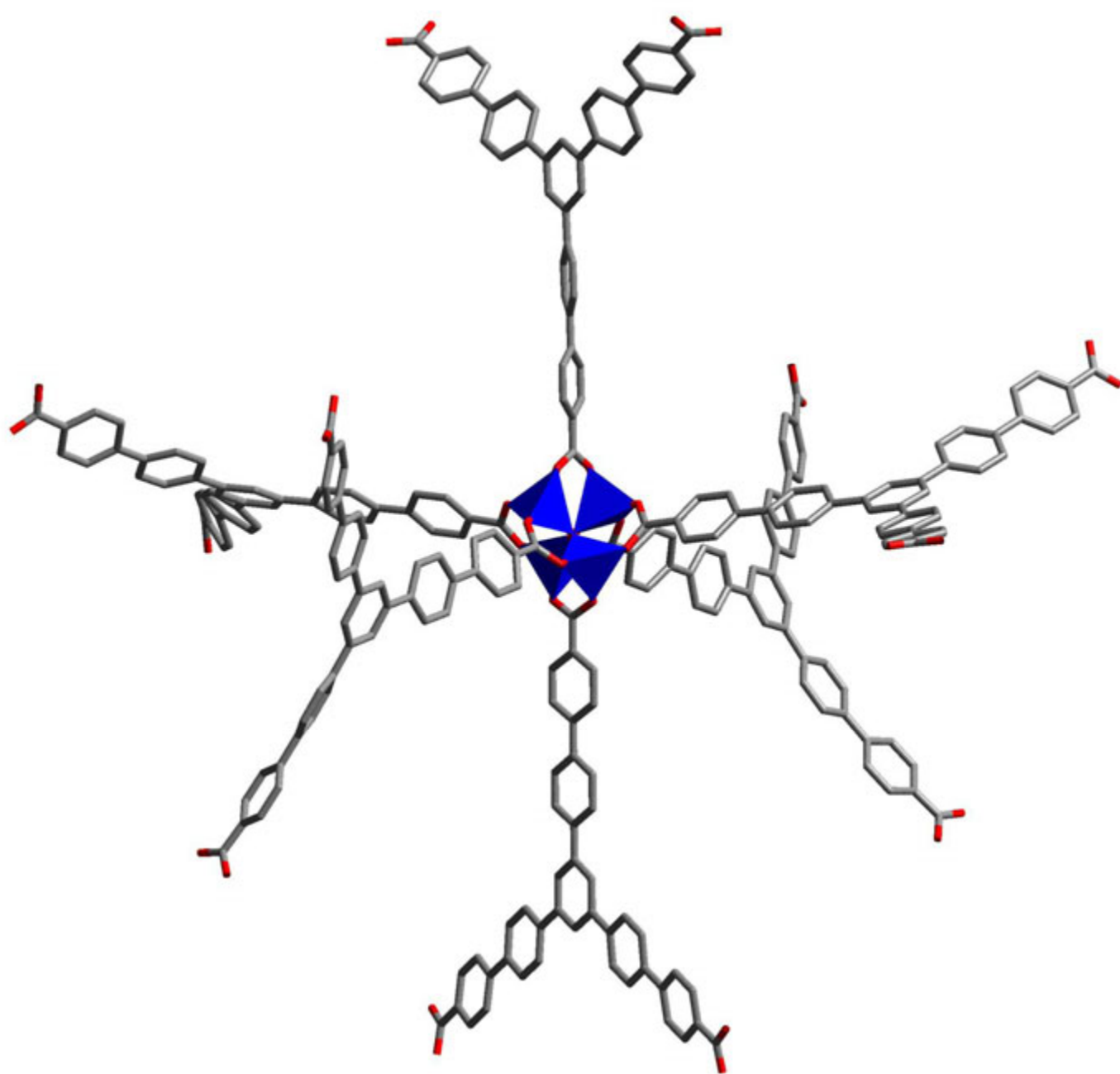


**c**

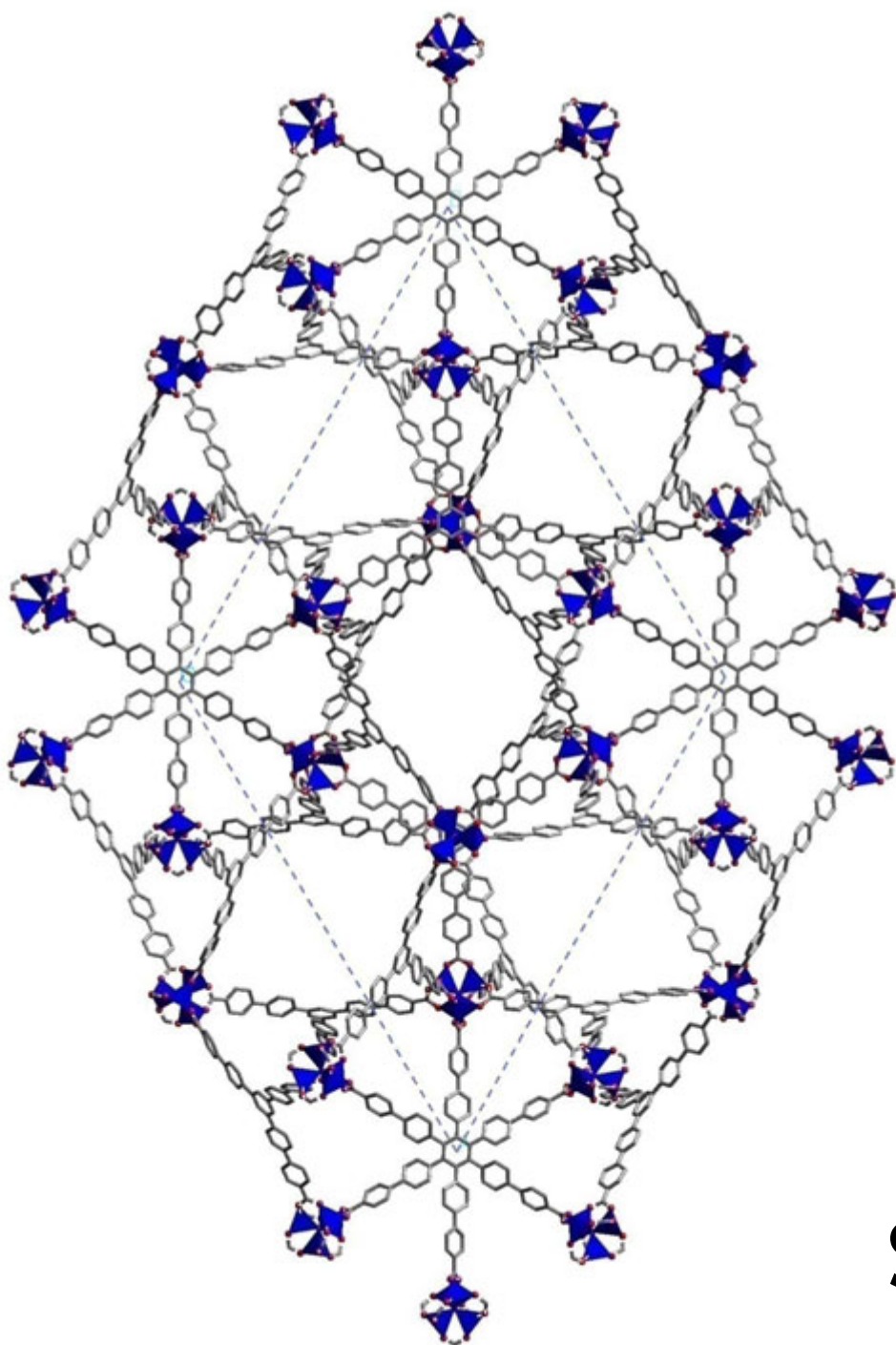


# N<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherm for Zn<sub>4</sub>O(BTB)<sub>2</sub>





**Zn<sub>4</sub>O(BBC)<sub>2</sub>**



**MOF-200:**

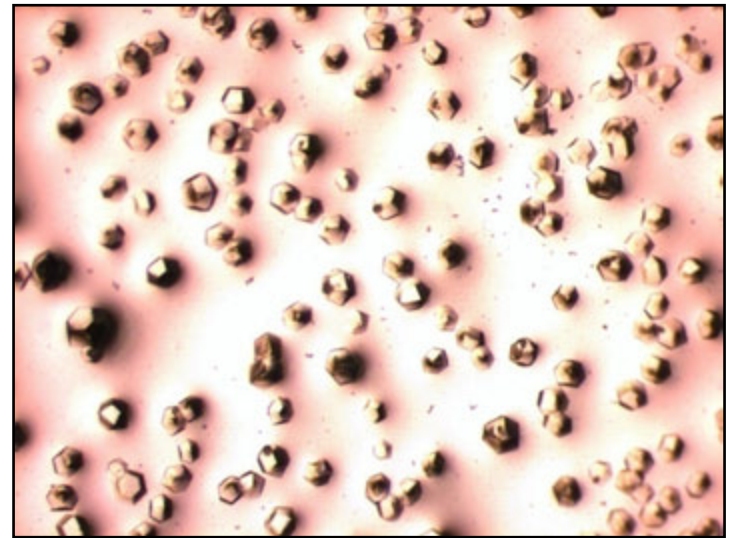
**$\text{Zn}_4\text{O}(\text{BBC})_2$**

**Trigonal, P-3**

**$a = b = 51.45 \text{ \AA}$**

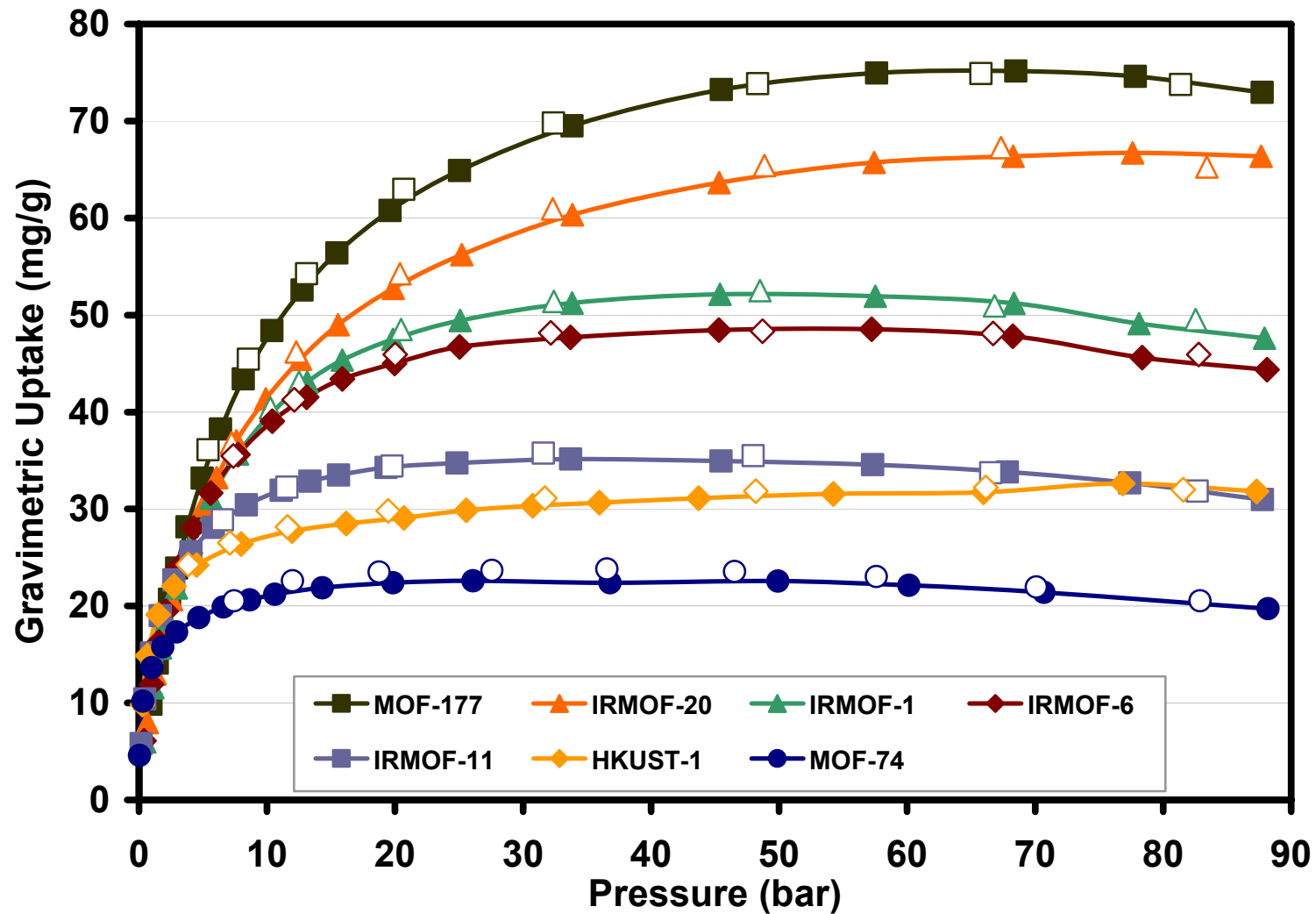
**$c = 41.80 \text{ \AA}$**

**$V = 95,822.1 \text{ \AA}^3$**

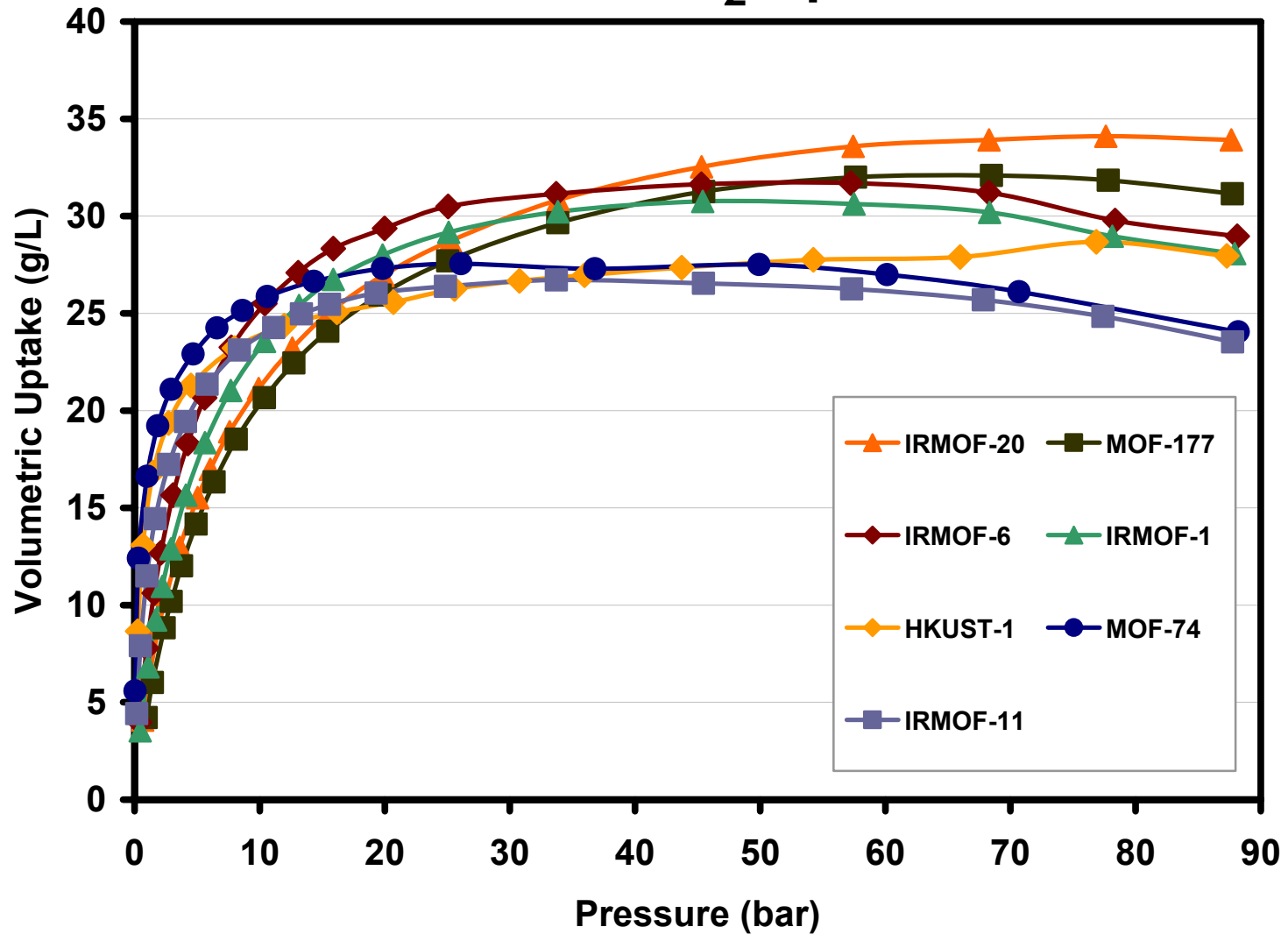


**S.A. = '8,000'  $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$**

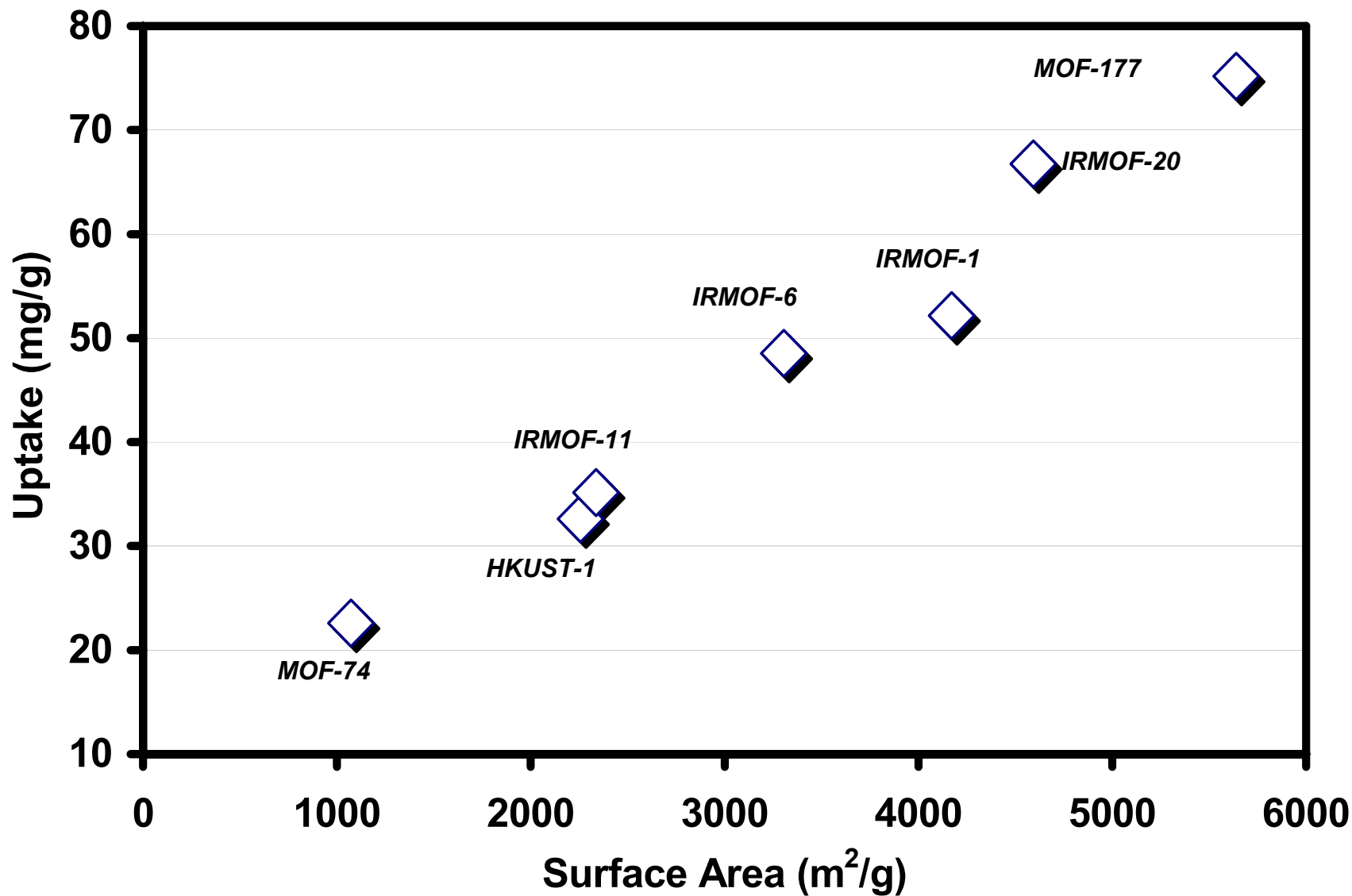
# 7.5 wt % Hydrogen uptake at 77K



# MOF volumetric H<sub>2</sub> uptake at 77 K



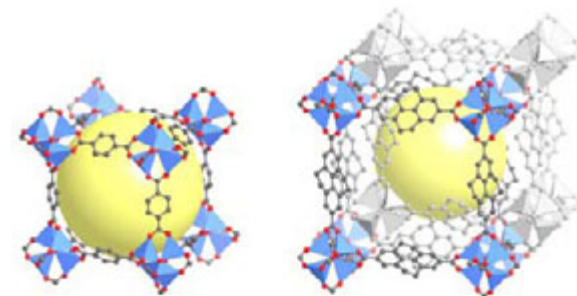
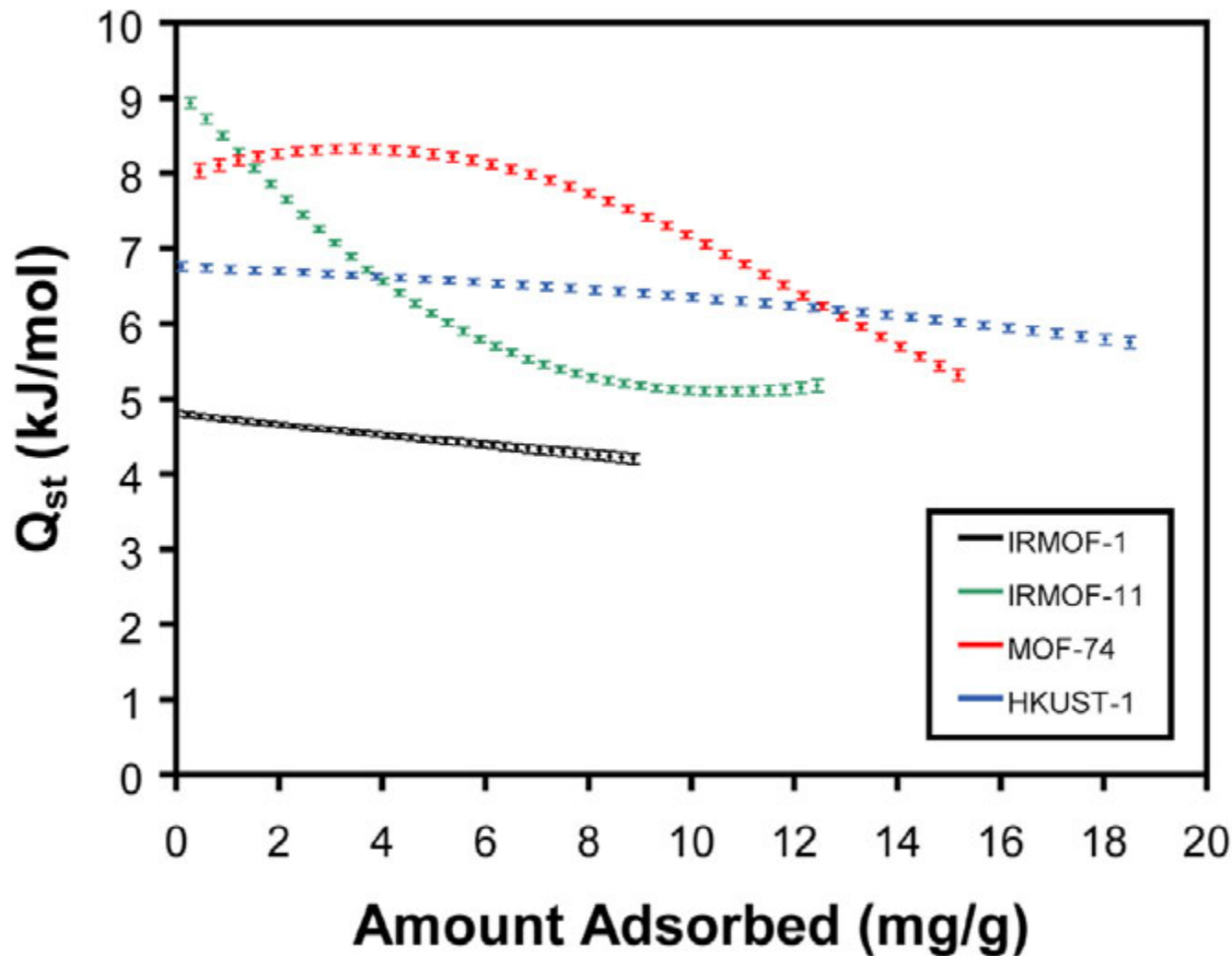
# Correlation of uptake with surface area





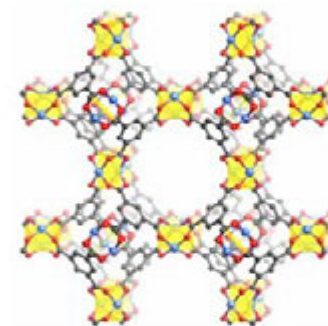
# Isosteric Heats of Adsorption

MOFs combining open metal sites with 7-8 Angstroms pore size are most favored

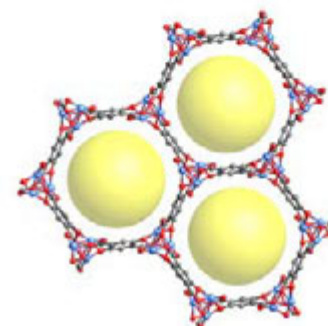


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IRMOF-11



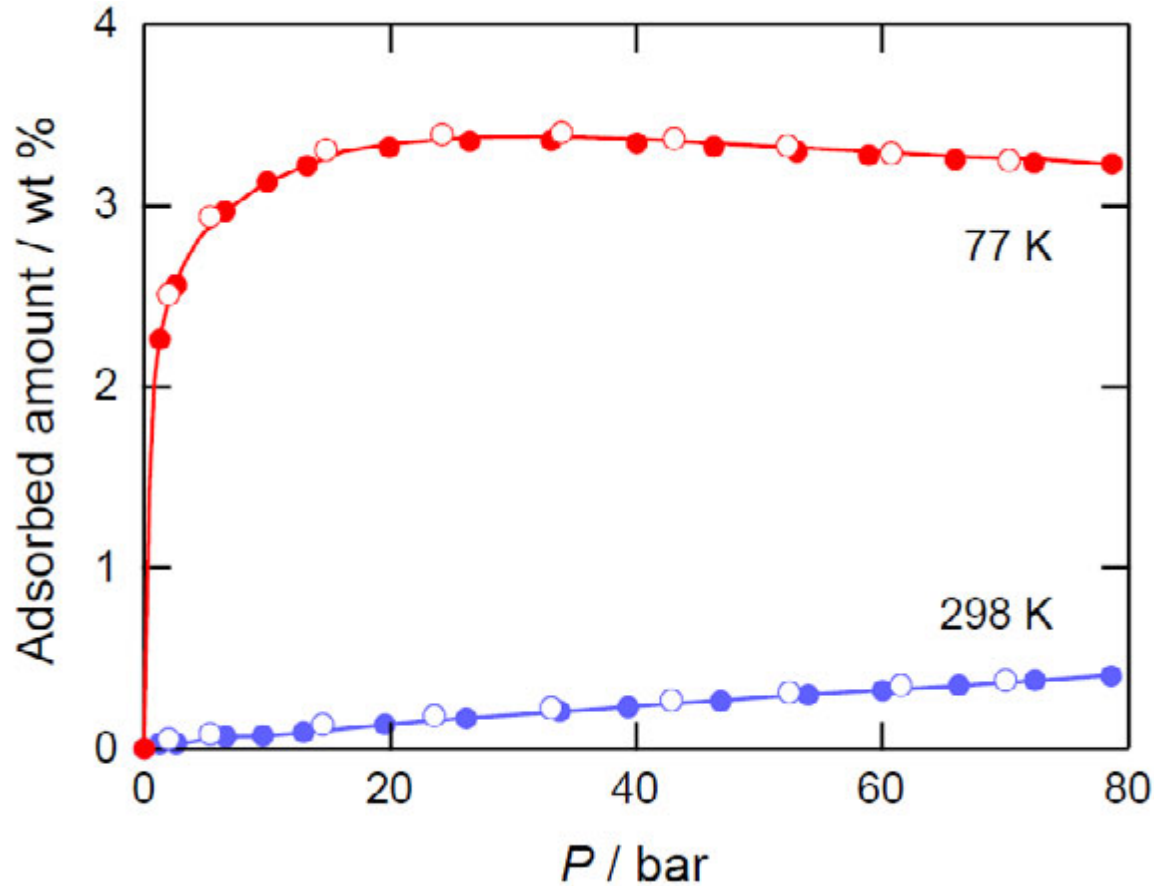
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MOF-74

# H<sub>2</sub> Adsorption (high-P)

*Poor room temperature uptake*



$d = 0.884$

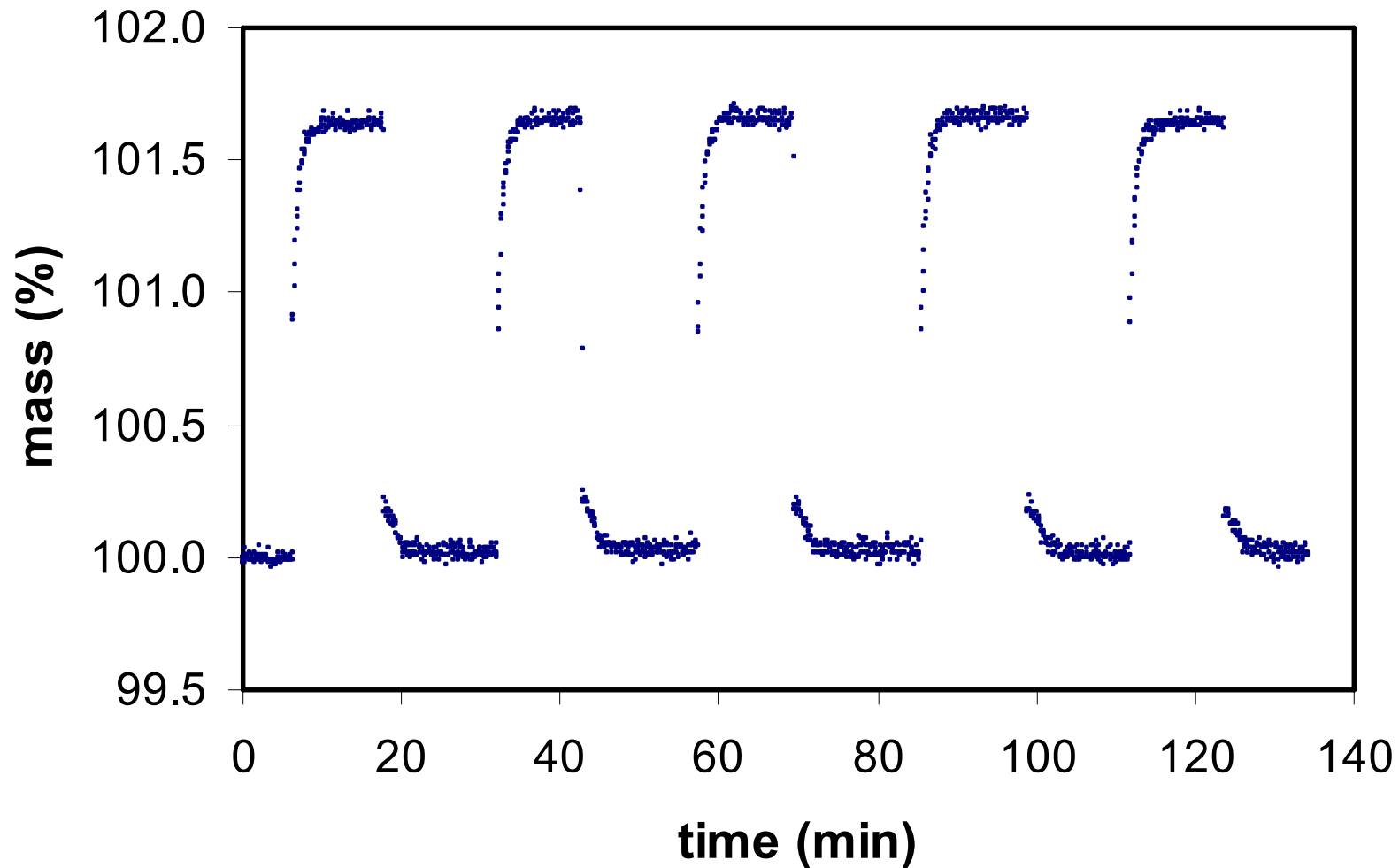
	wt%	mg/g	mmol/g	cc/g	cc/cc	g/L
77 K	3.3	33	16.5	370	327	29.2
298 K	0.4	4	2	45	40	3.5

# **Kinetic Profile of Uptake and Release of hydrogen**

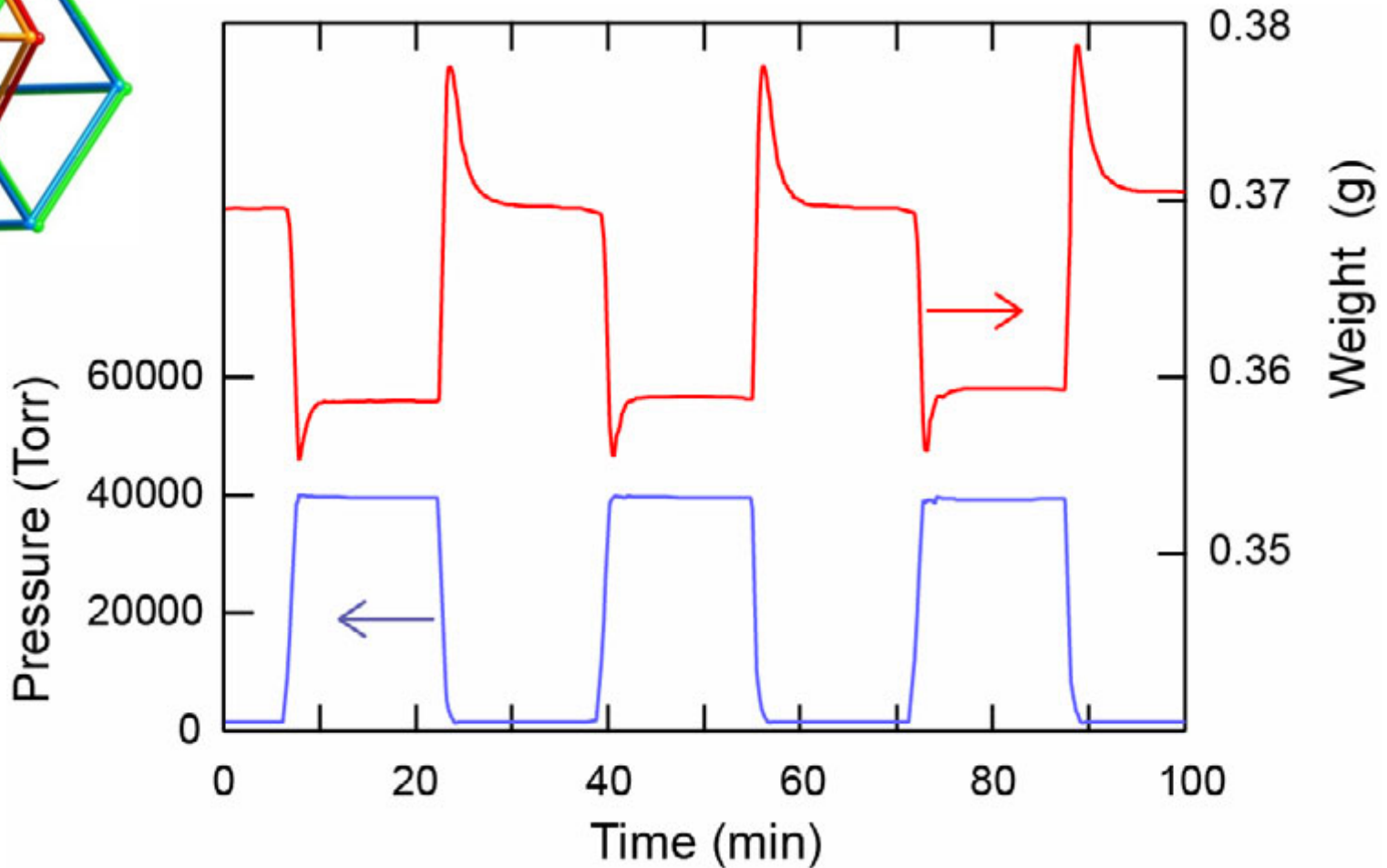
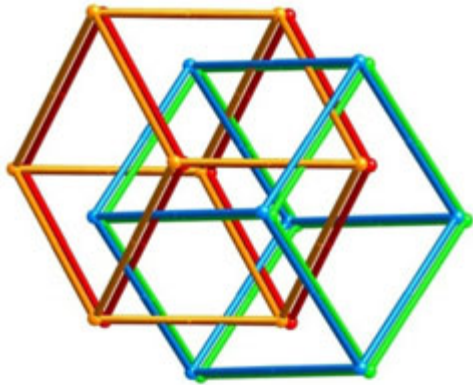
**(Fueling Time)**

# Completely Reversible Charge/Discharge of Hydrogen Adsorption in IRMOF-11

## Fuelina time 2.5 minutes



# Typical IRMOF-62 kinetic profile (Fueling time 2 minutes)

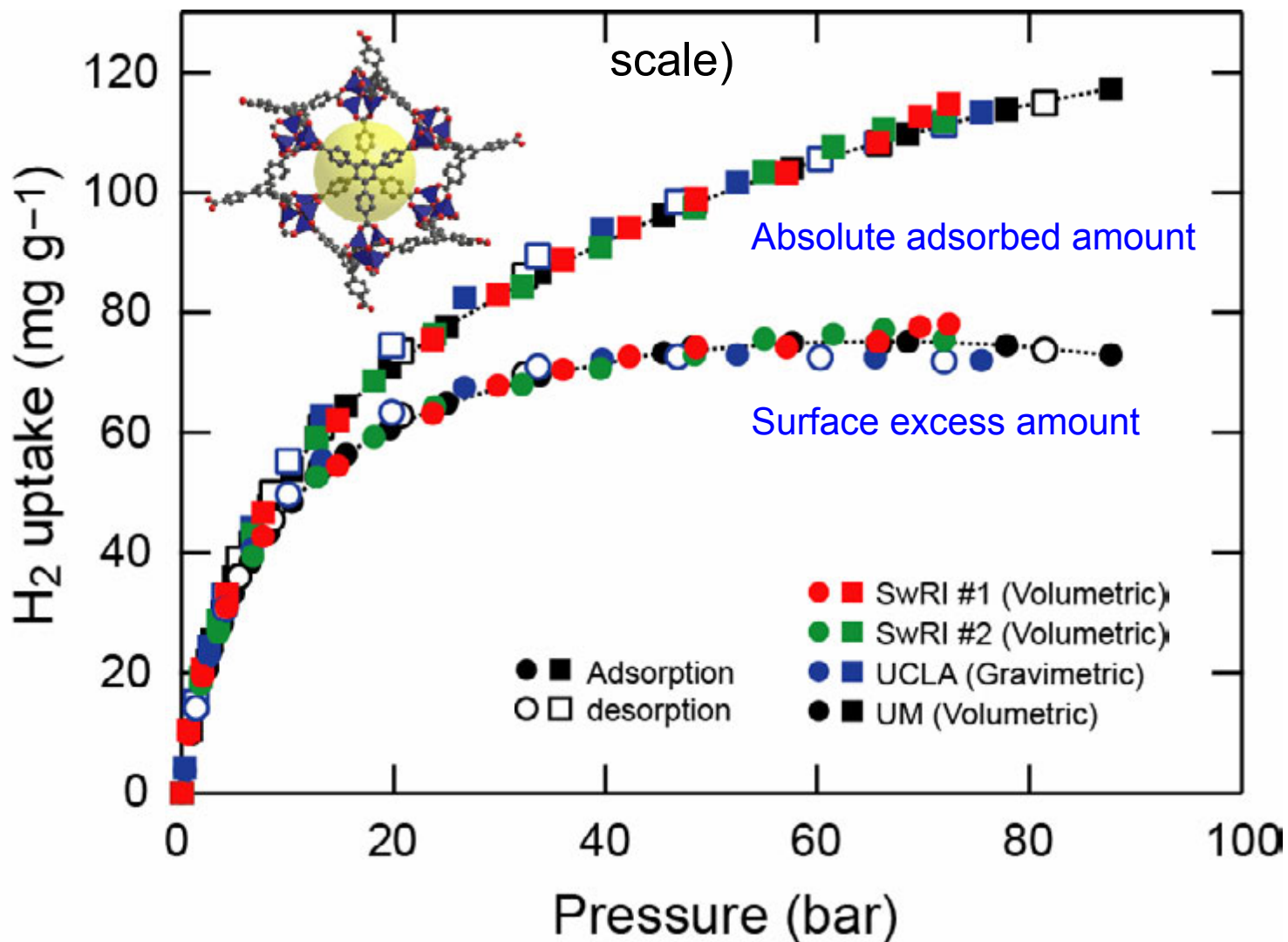


*Blue: applied pressure, red: weight change (without buoyancy correction)*

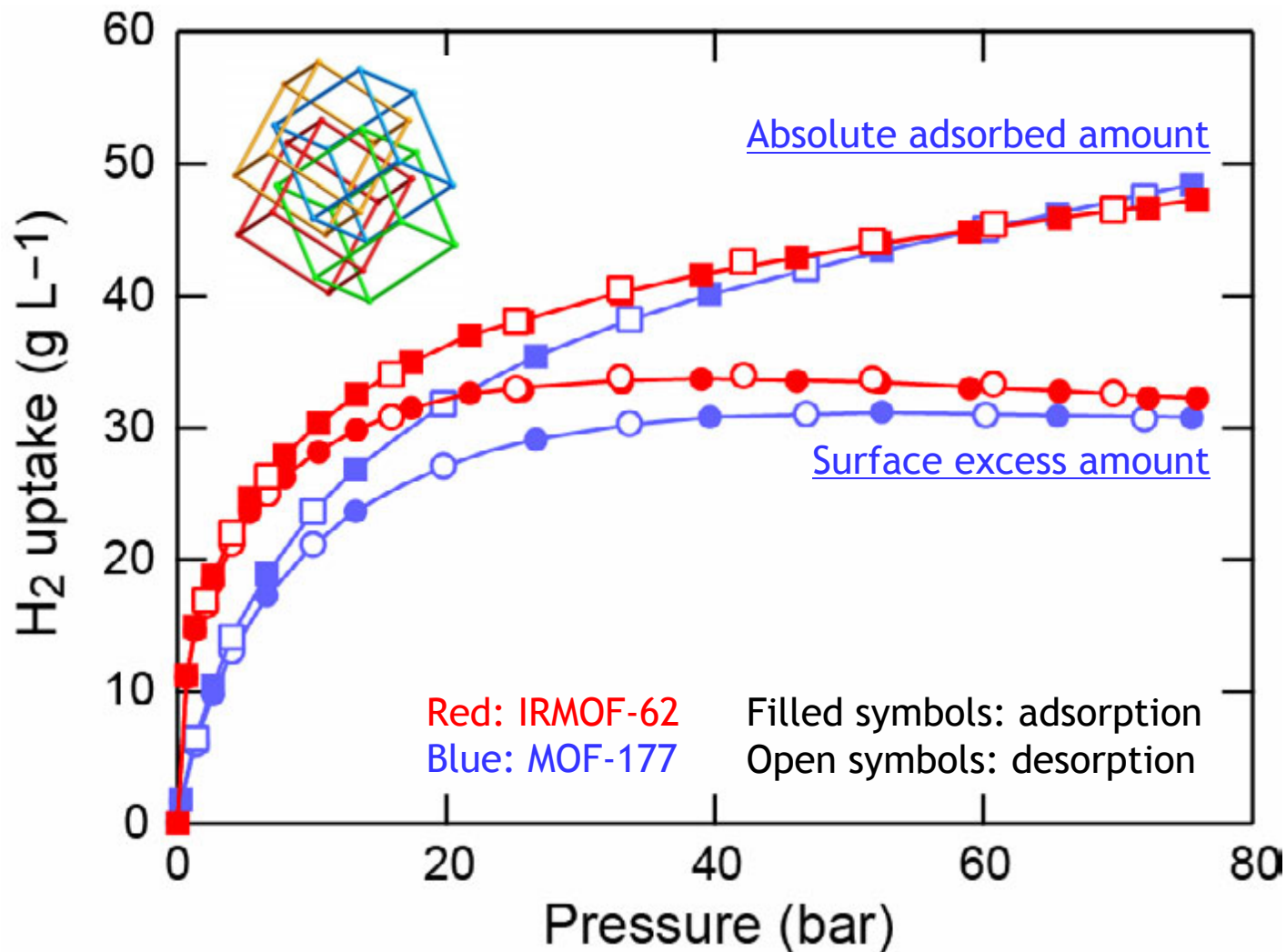


# Independent Verification of MOF-177 Hydrogen Uptake Capacity

(volumetric and gravimetric measurements verified, shown using gravimetric



# Volumetric H<sub>2</sub> uptake for IRMOF-62



IRMOF-62 Surface area: 2650 m<sup>2</sup>/g, Pore volume: 0.95 cm<sup>3</sup>/g



**Nanocubes as molecular fuel tanks**  
**BASOCUBES**



# Strategies for increasing adsorption energy

- Coordination with theory (Prof. Bill Goddard, Caltech)
- Impregnation strategies: (a) polar polymers, (b) clusters of light metals, and organo-metallic complexes
- Design of soft chemi-sorption within the pores: Proximal Lewis acid-Lewis base sites

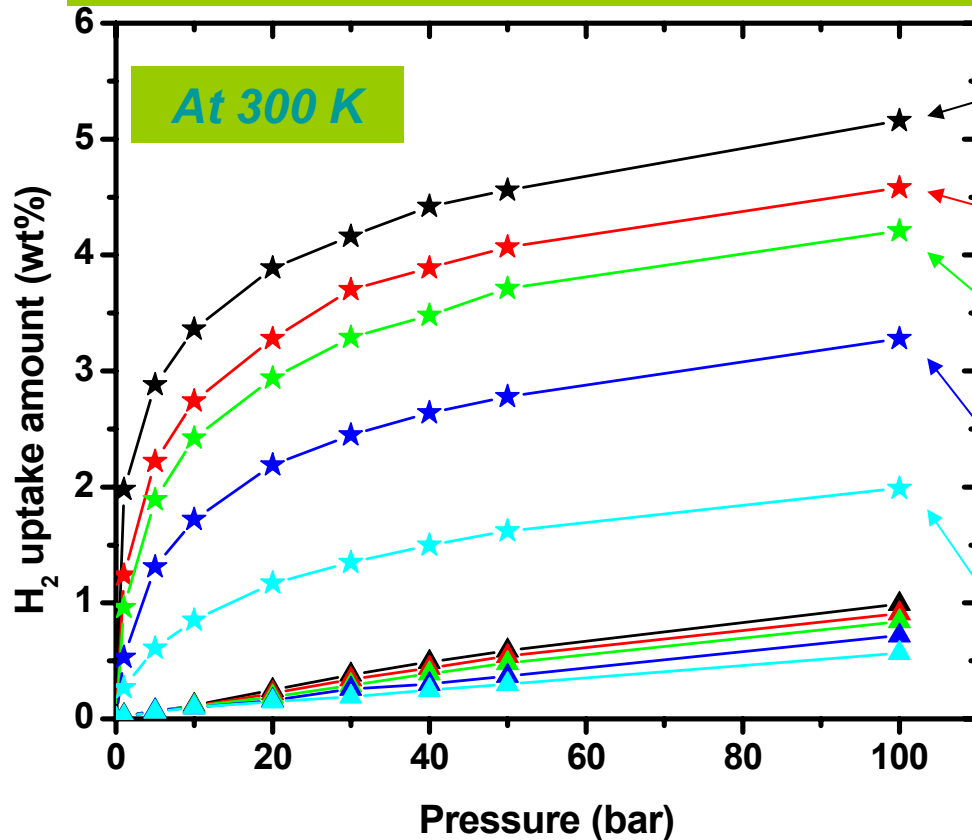


**Strategy 1:**

**Binding Li to six membered rings**

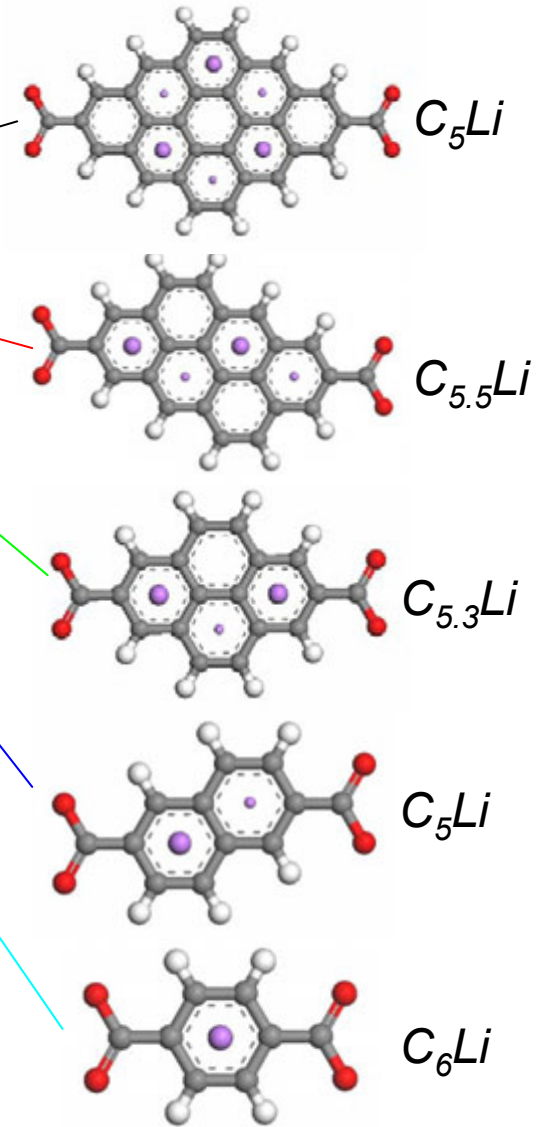
# High room temperature hydrogen uptake (5%wt) in Li-doped Zn-MOF systems

Predictions (Han and Goddard, Caltech)



Triangle: pure MOFs, Star: Li-doped MOFs

Cyan: MOF6, Blue: MOF10, Green: MOF16,  
Red: MOF22, Black: MOF30

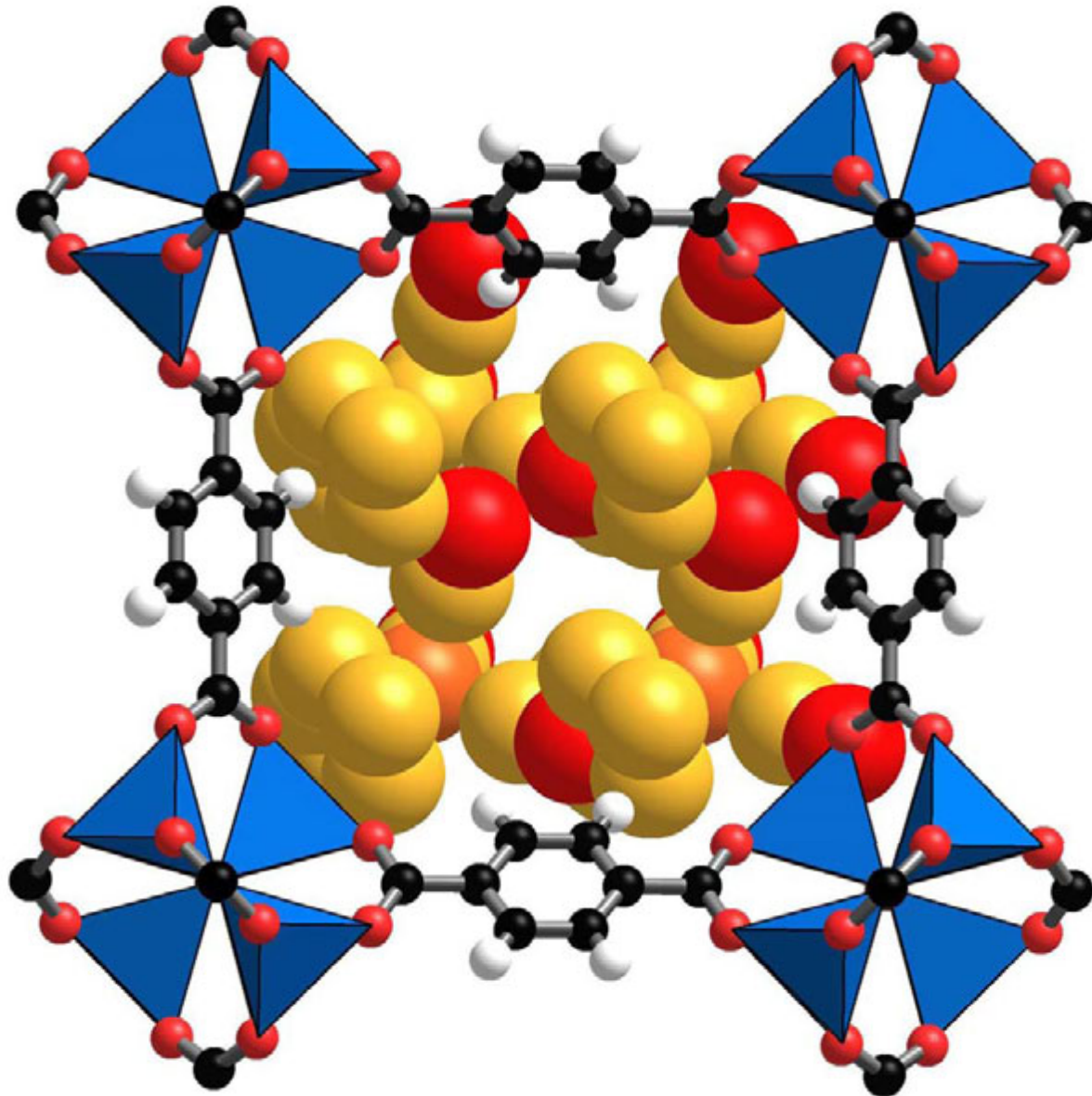


## **Strategy 2A:**

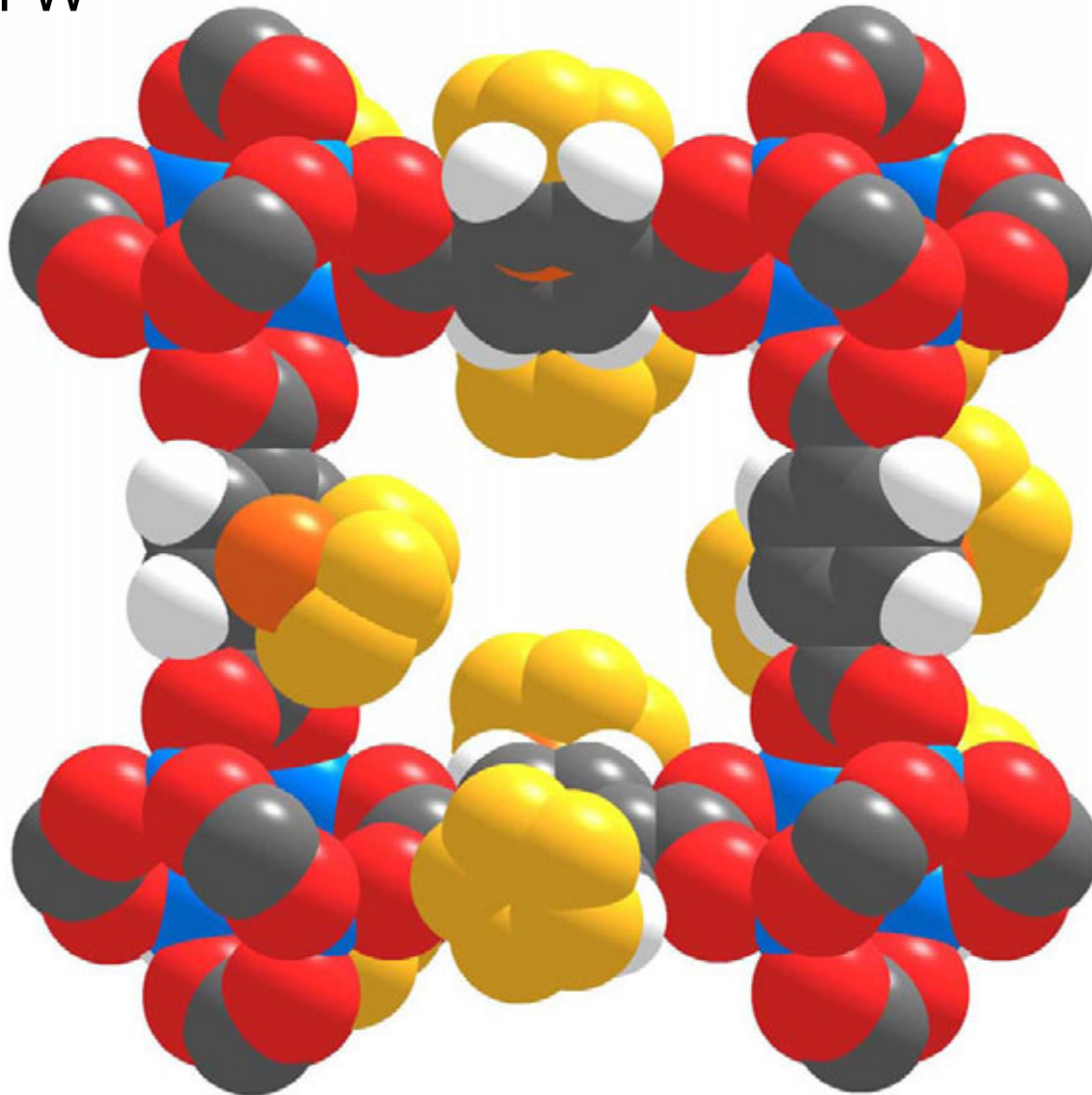
**Impregnation with metal complexes  
having open metal sites**

# Proof of Concept

## Successful Impregnation of $\text{CpW}(\text{CO})_3$ in M



Carbonyl groups can be removed by heating under vacuum, leaving behind open metal sites of W

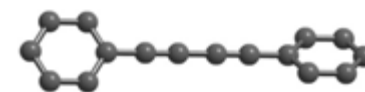
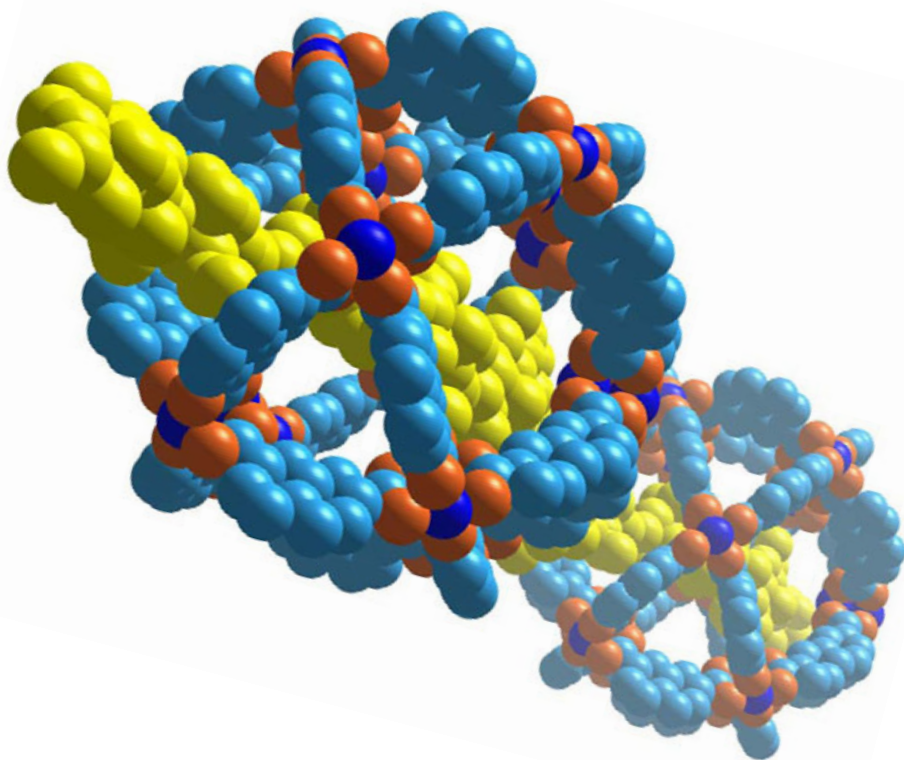


**Strategy 2B:**

**Impregnation with polymers  
containing conjugation**



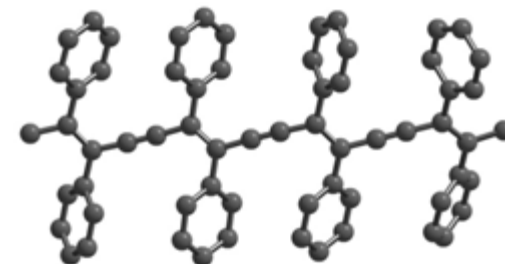
# Polymer impregnation MOF-177



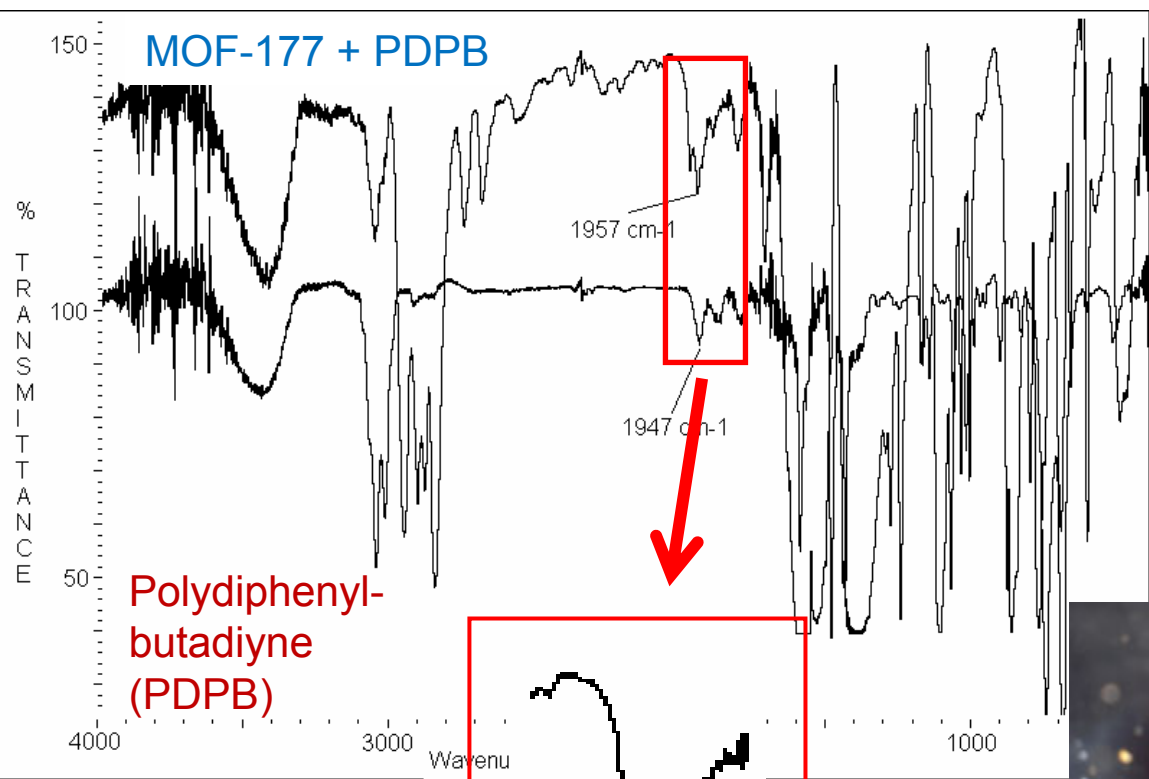
*1,4-Diphenylbutadiyne*



*Polymerization of monomer in MOF-177*

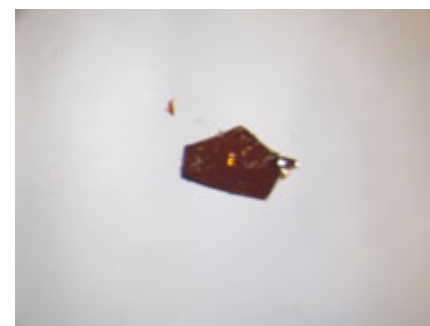
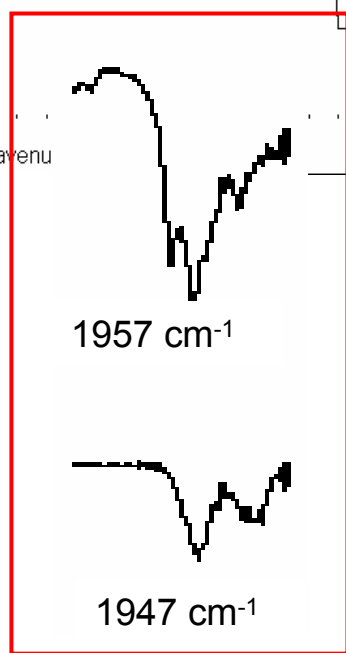


# Impregnation

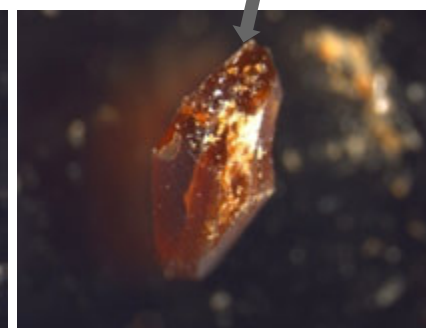


Polydiphenyl-  
butadiyne  
(PDPB)

C≡C  
stretching



Sliced  
face

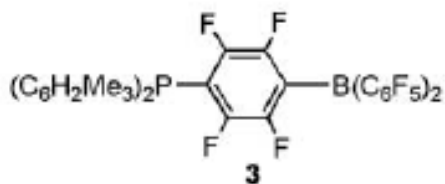
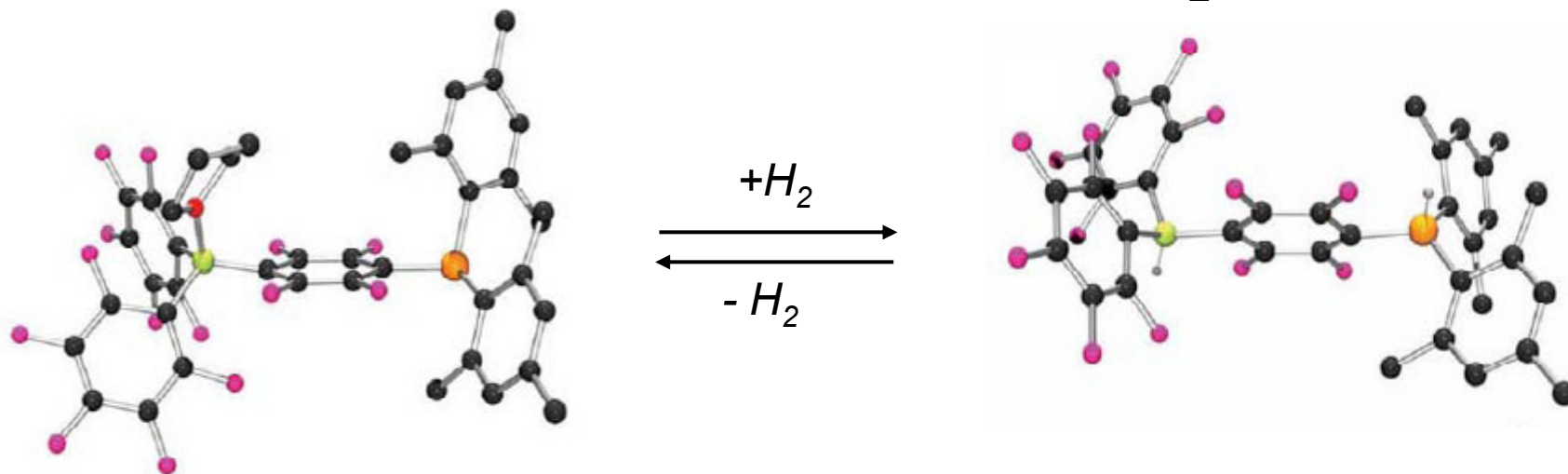


- A. Single crystal of PDPB
- B. MOF-177 + PDPB
- C. Sliced MOF-177 + PDPB

**Strategy 3:**

**Chemisorption *douce***

# Fully Reversible Splitting of H<sub>2</sub>



## Reversible, Metal-Free Hydrogen Activation

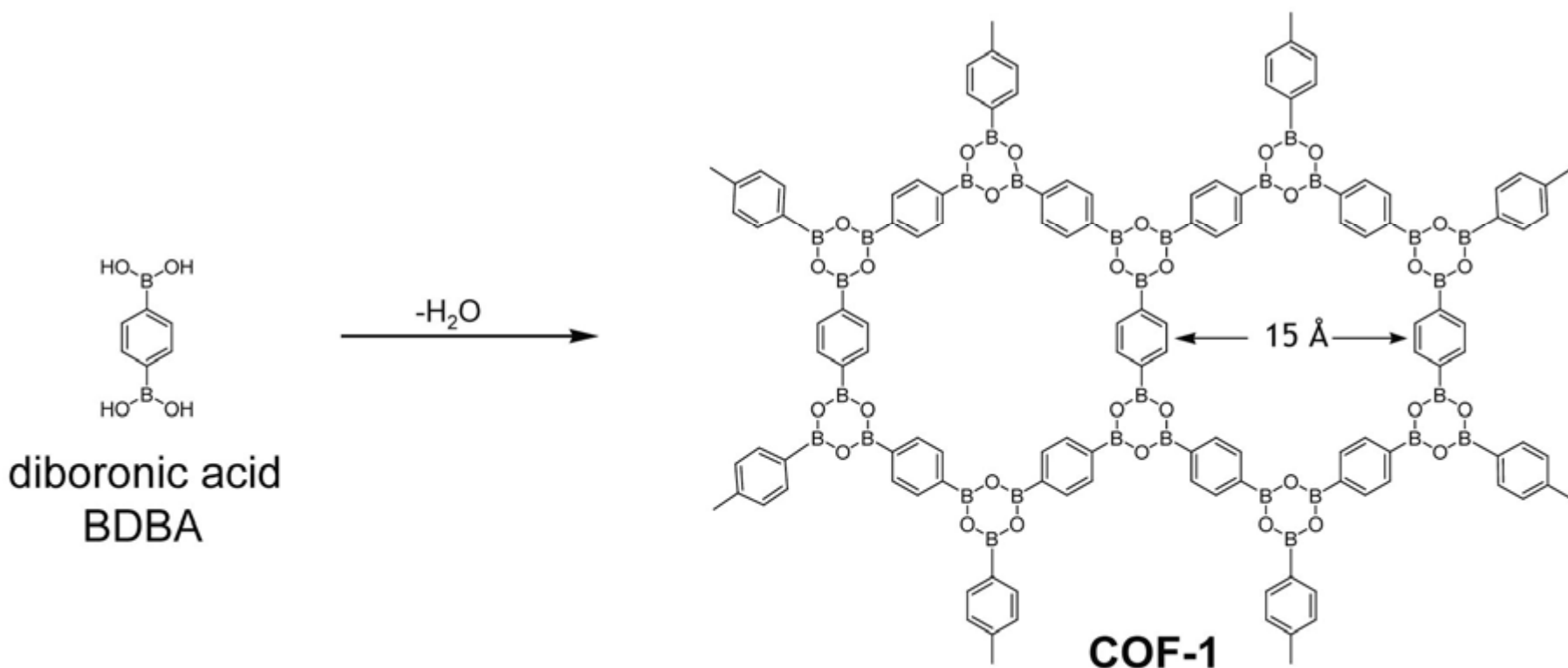
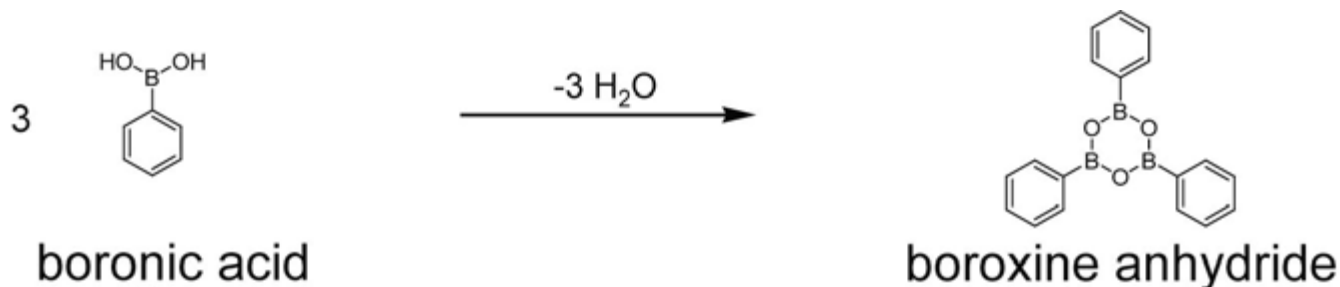
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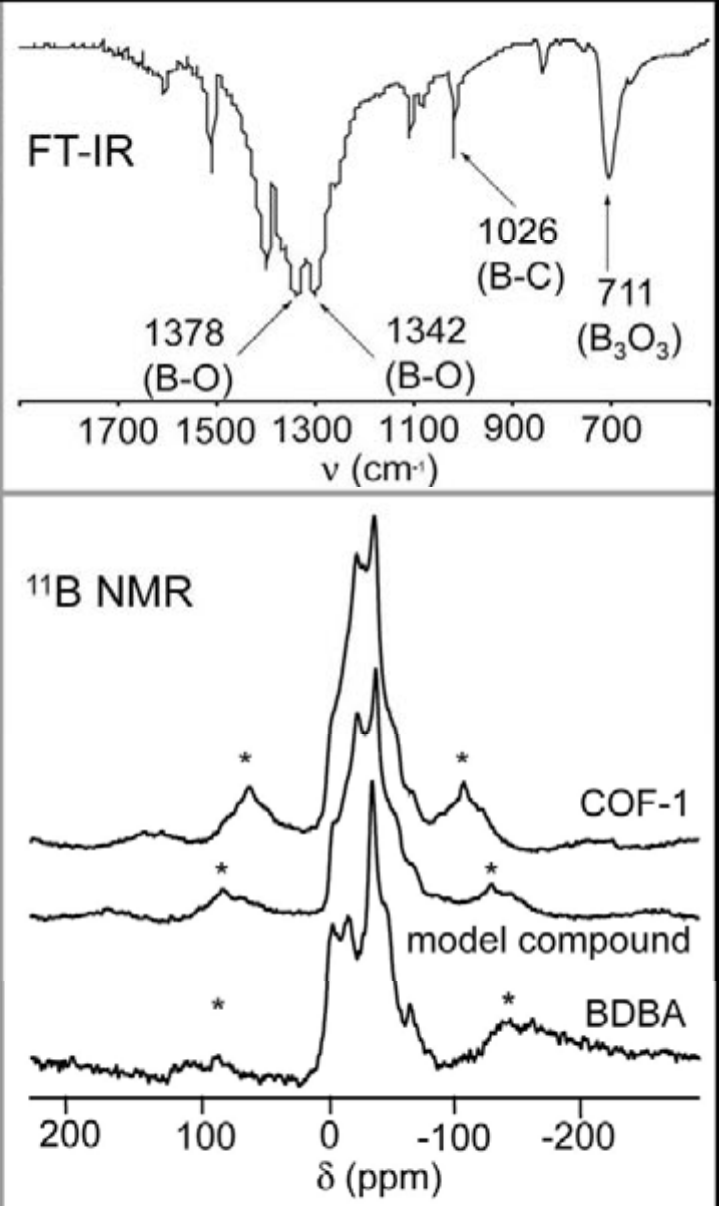
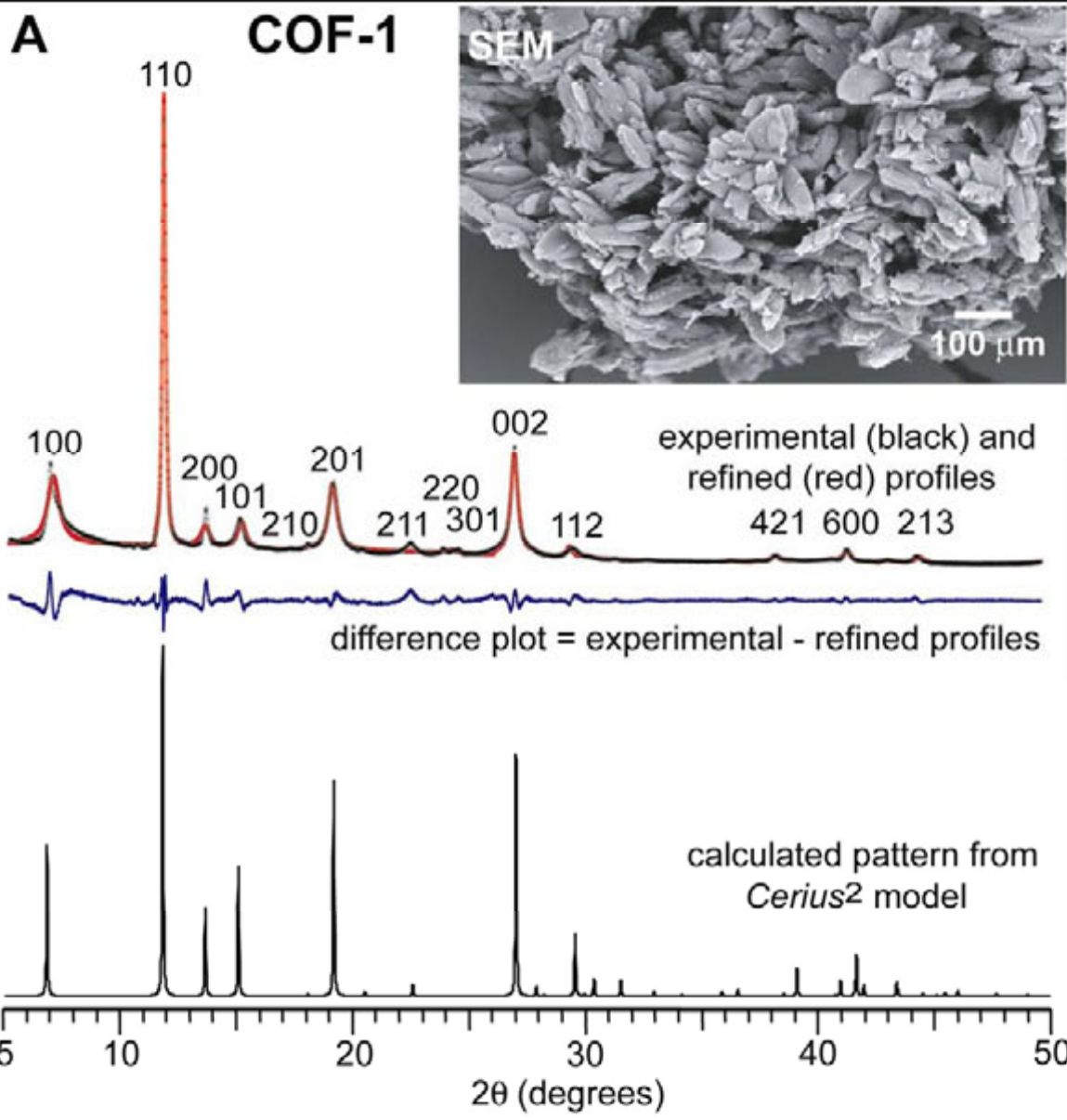
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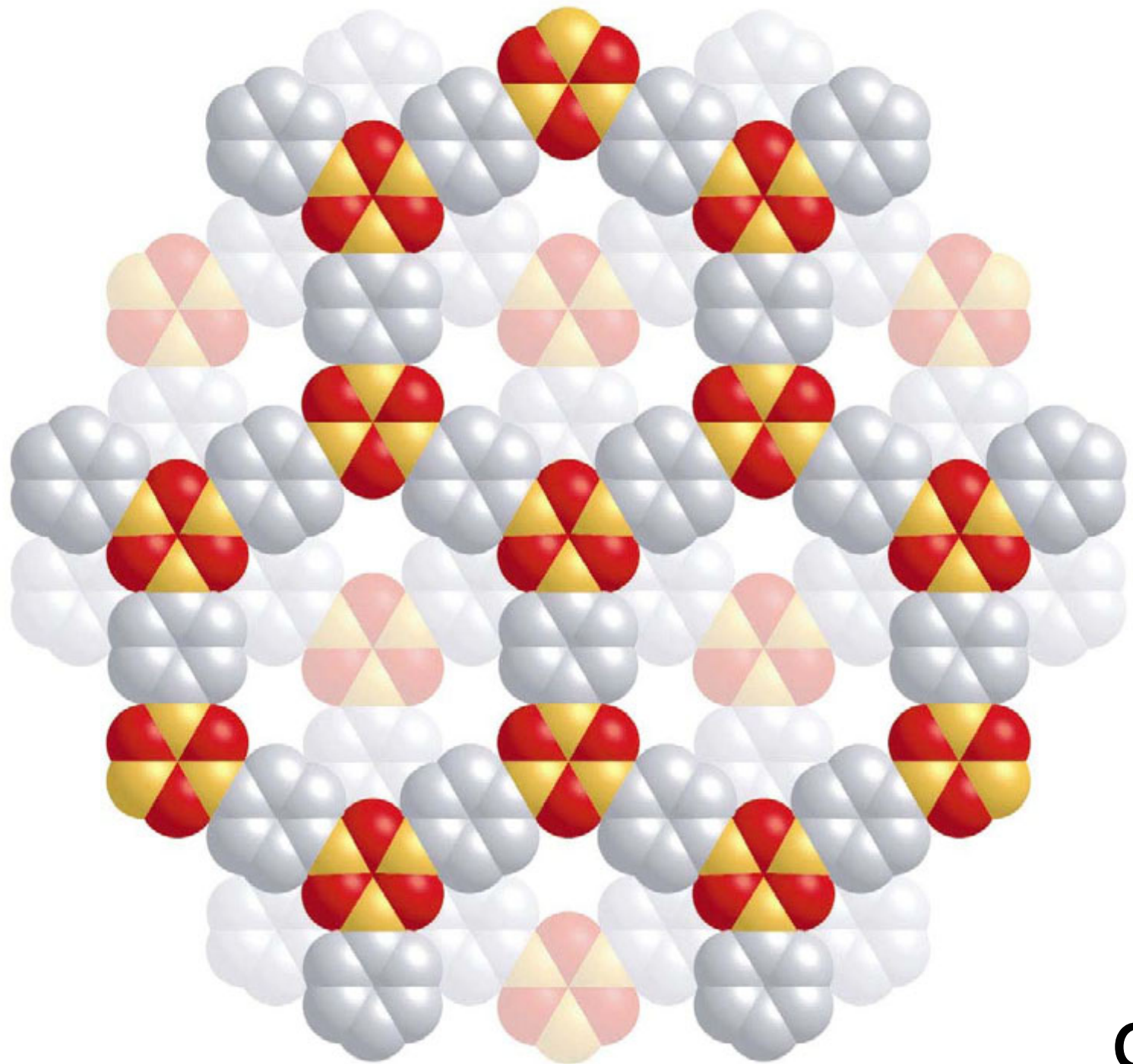
Heating to >100° C quantitatively reverses H<sub>2</sub> dissociation with change in color.

# Covalent Organic Frameworks (COFs)

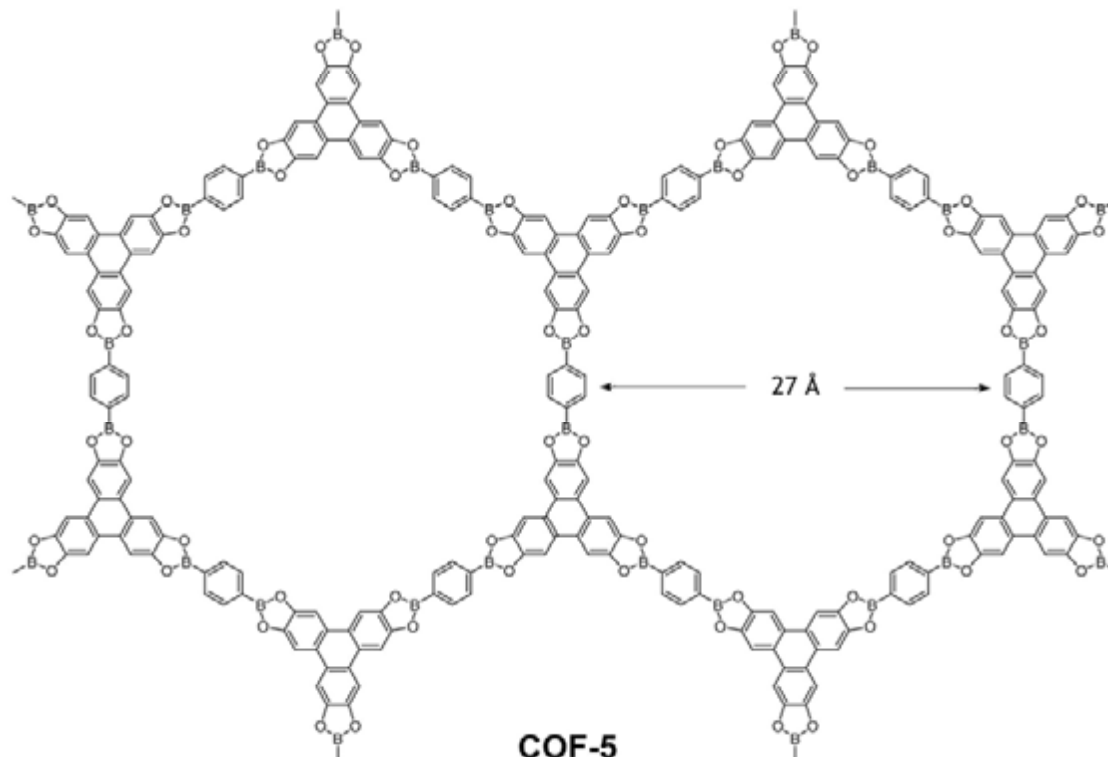
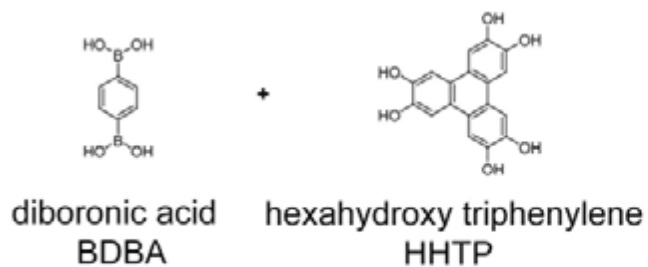
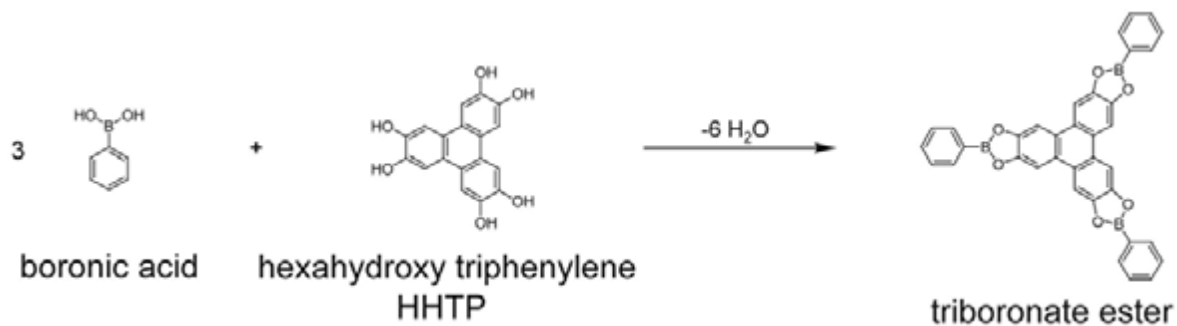


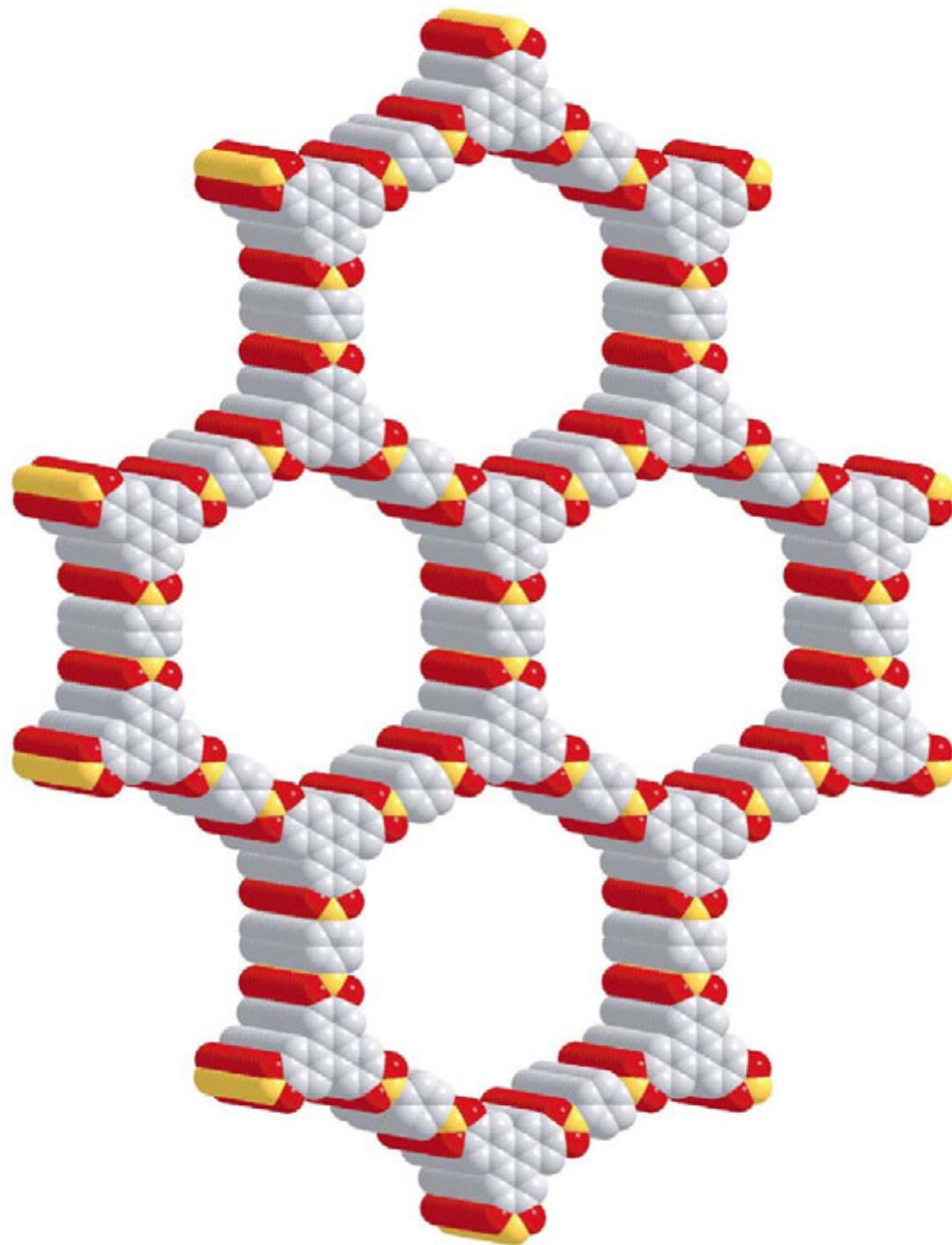




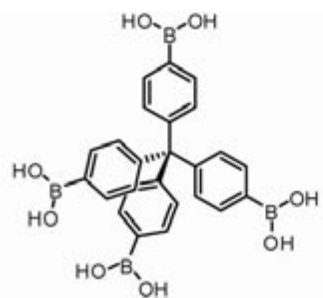


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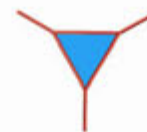
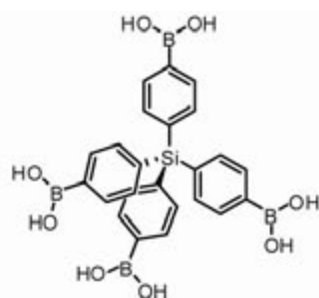




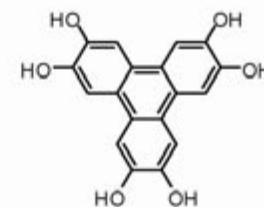
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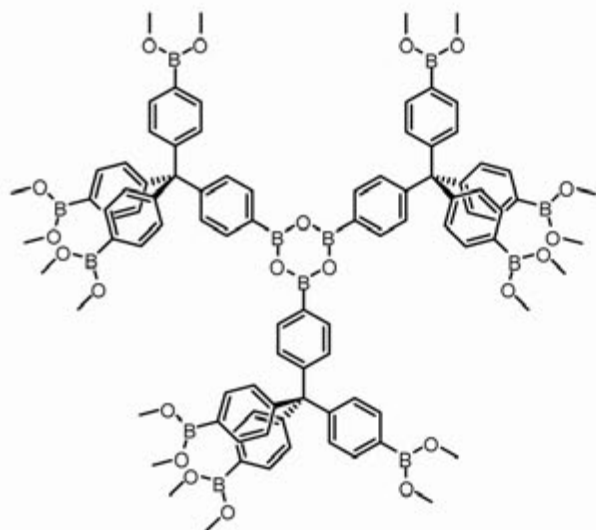
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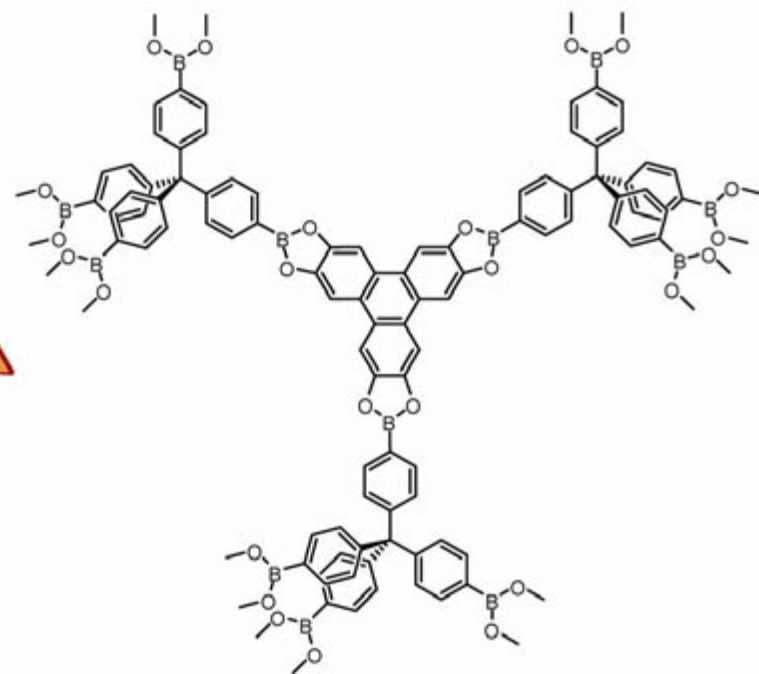
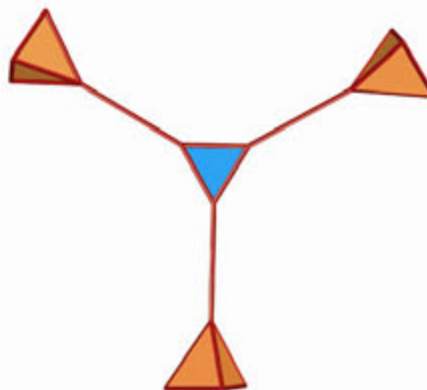
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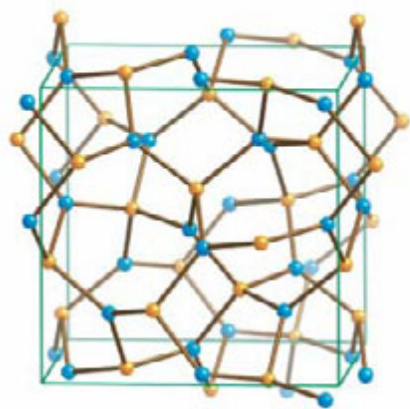


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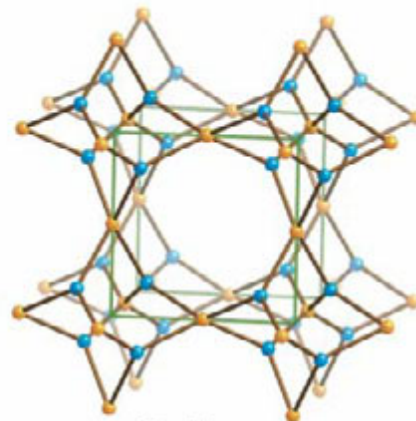


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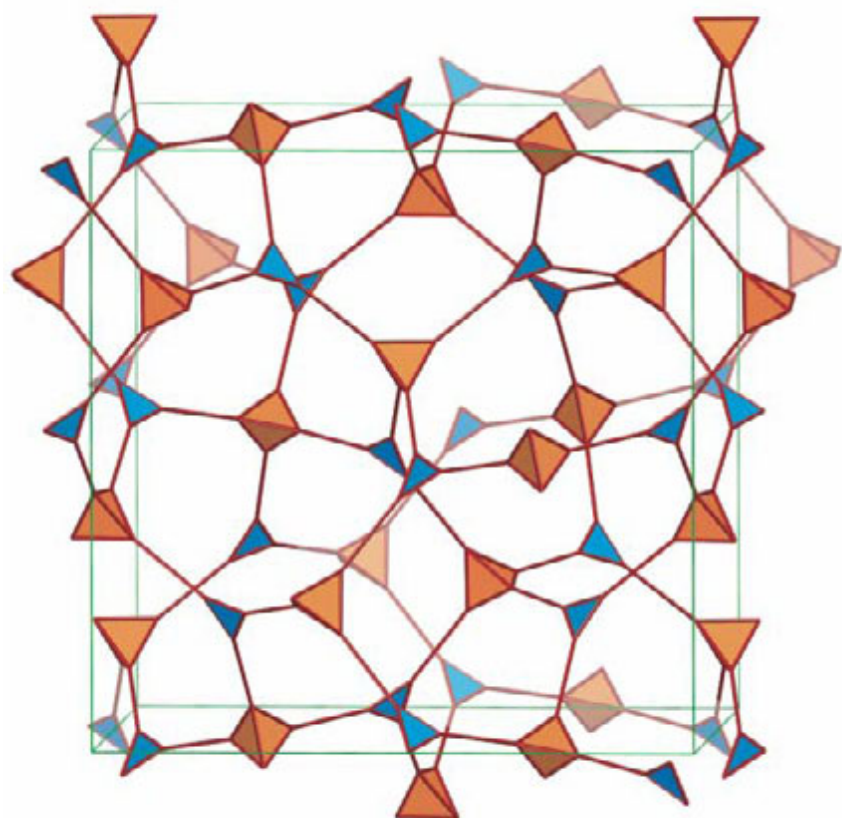




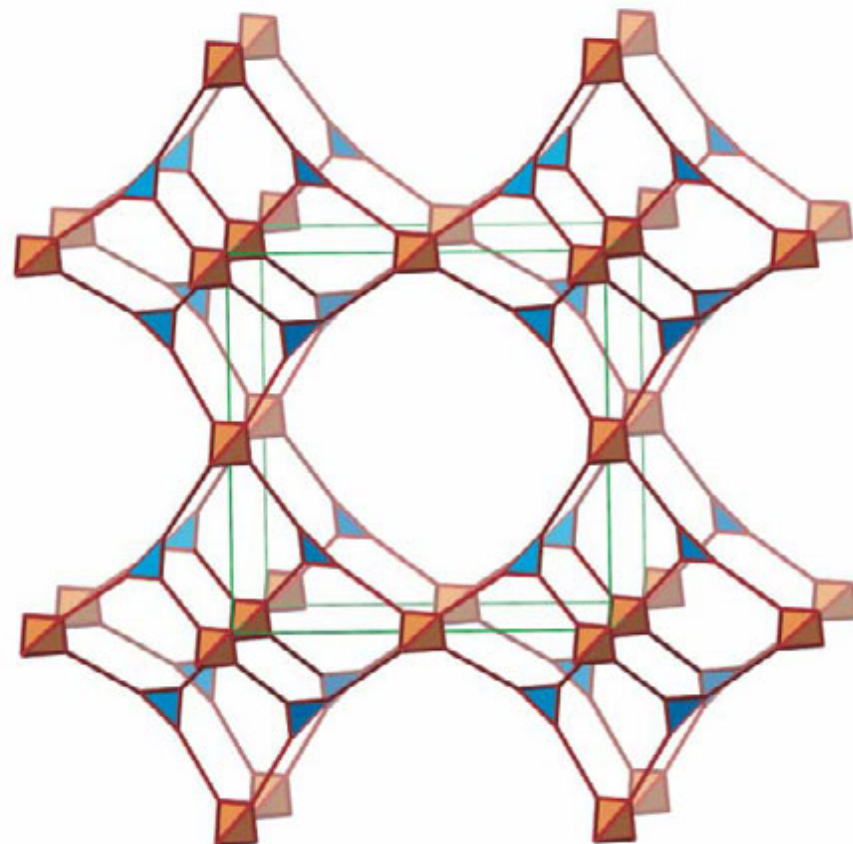
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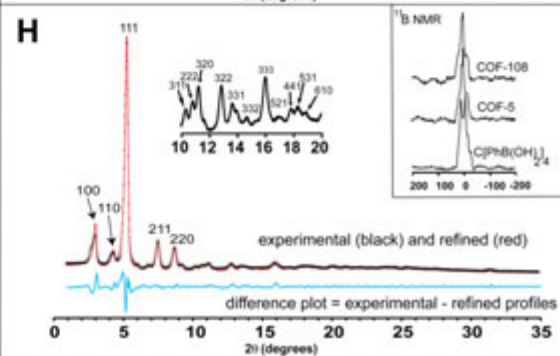
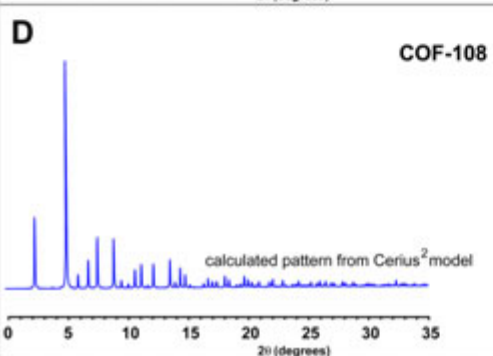
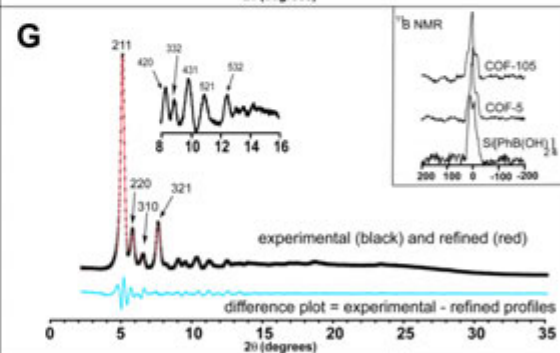
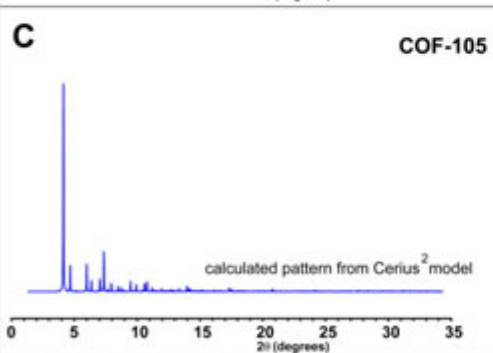
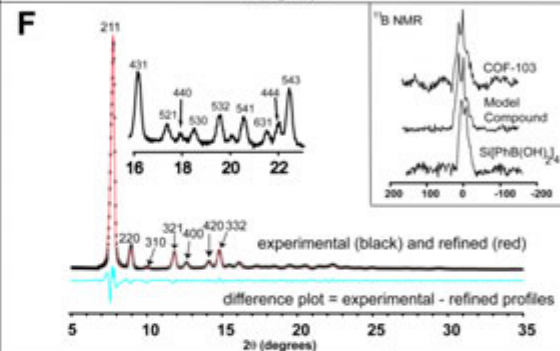
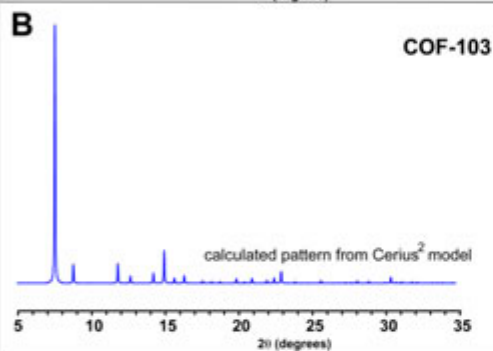
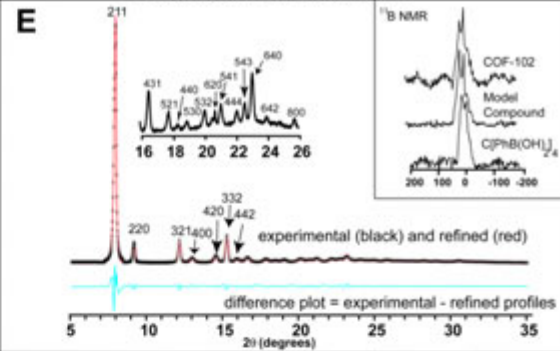
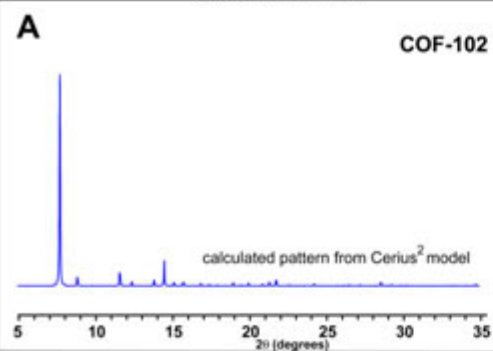
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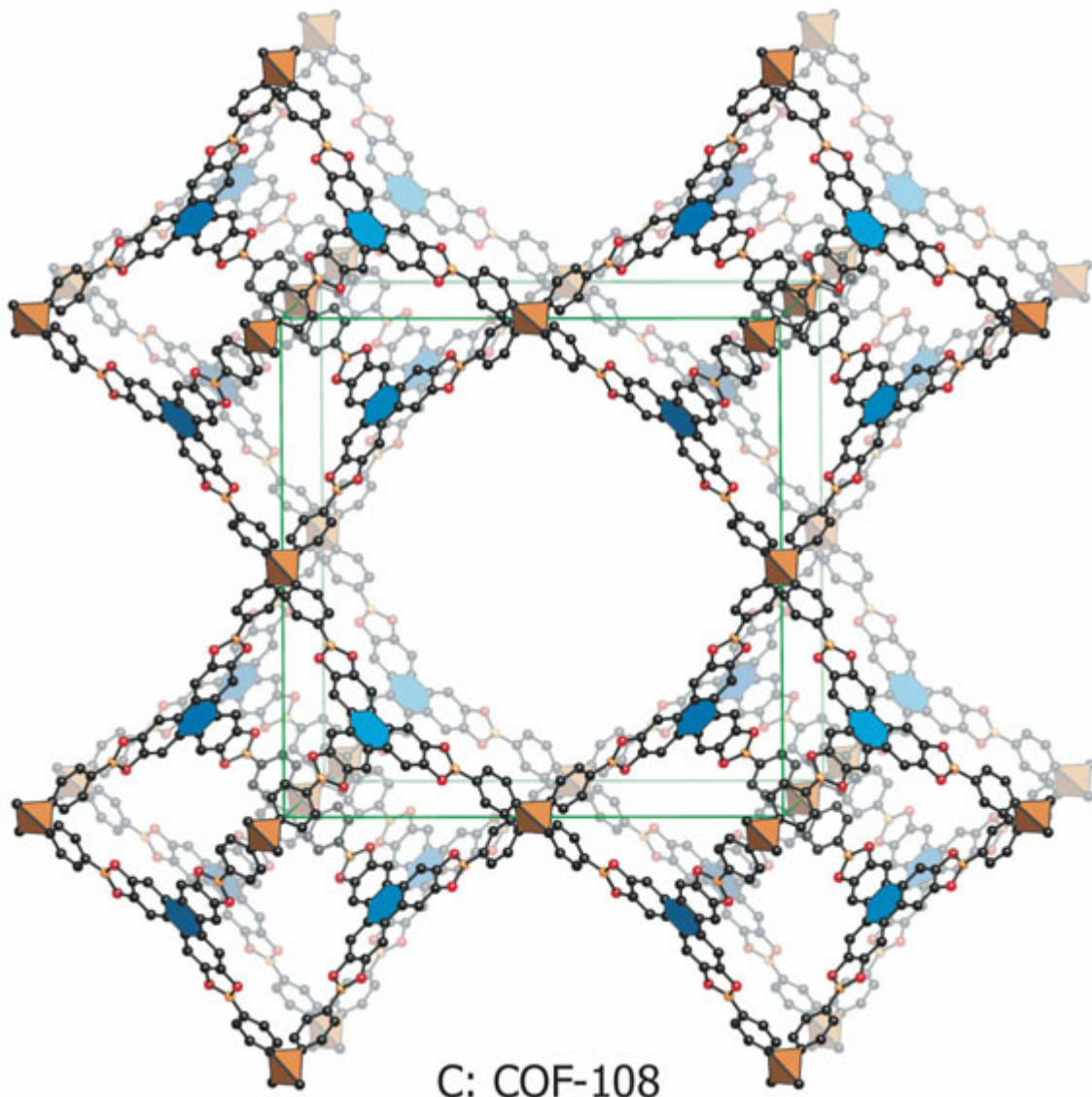
**H**



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*COF-108: Density = 0.17 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
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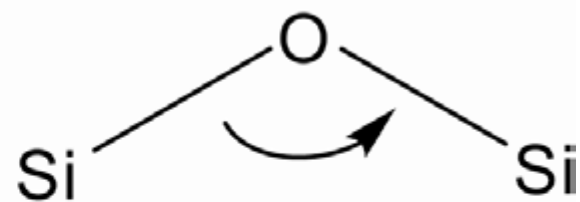
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M - IM - M

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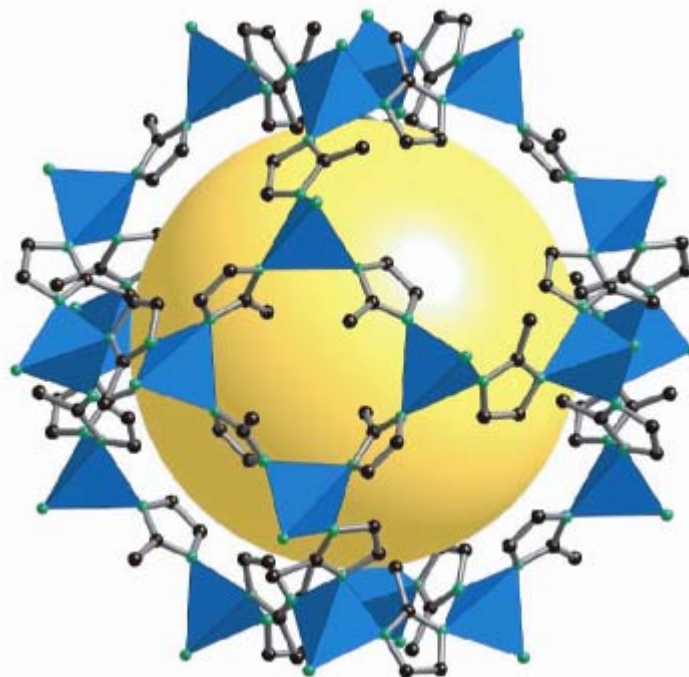
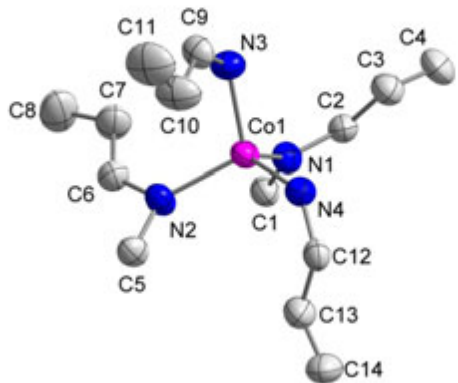
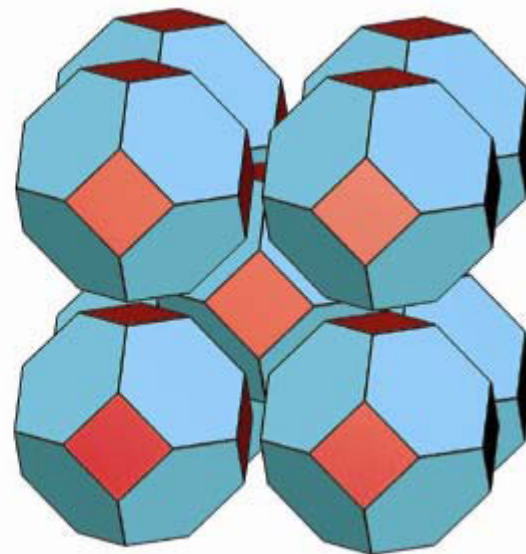
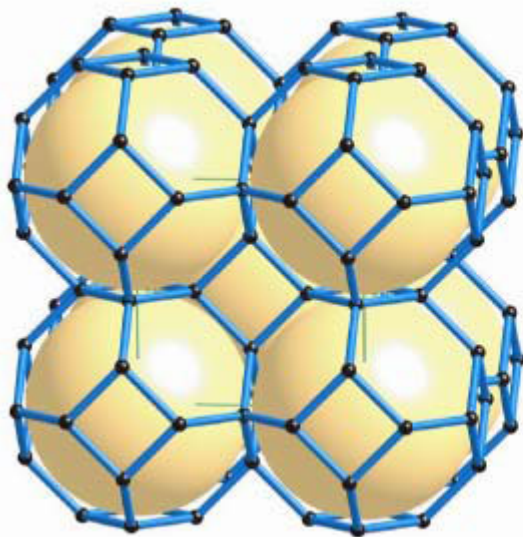


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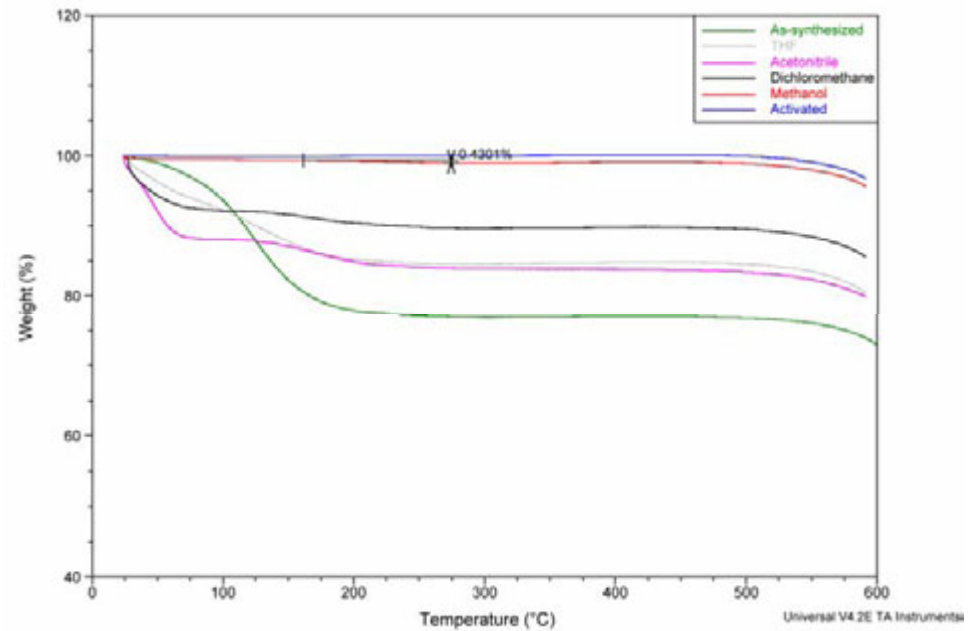
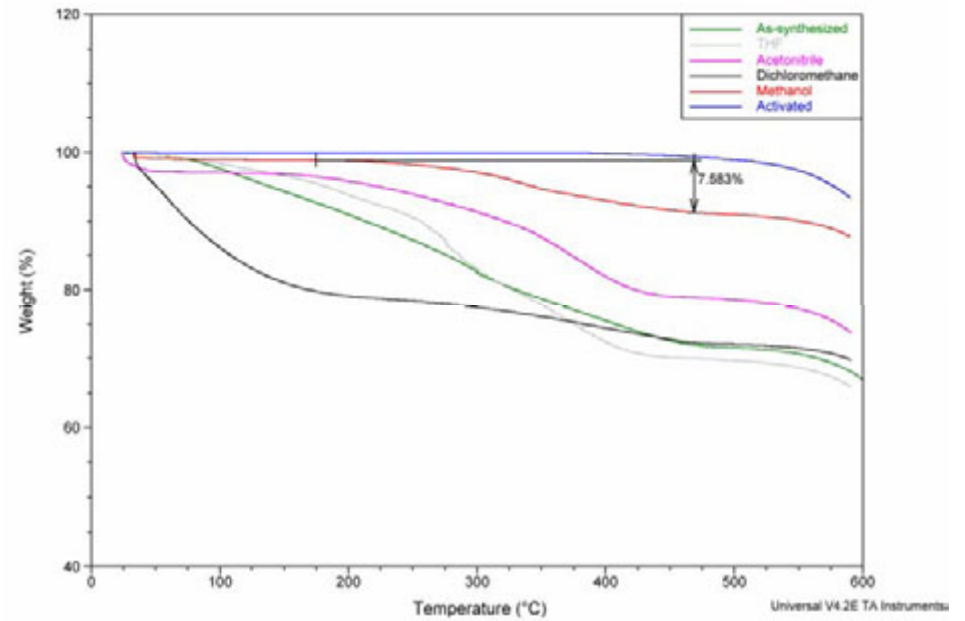
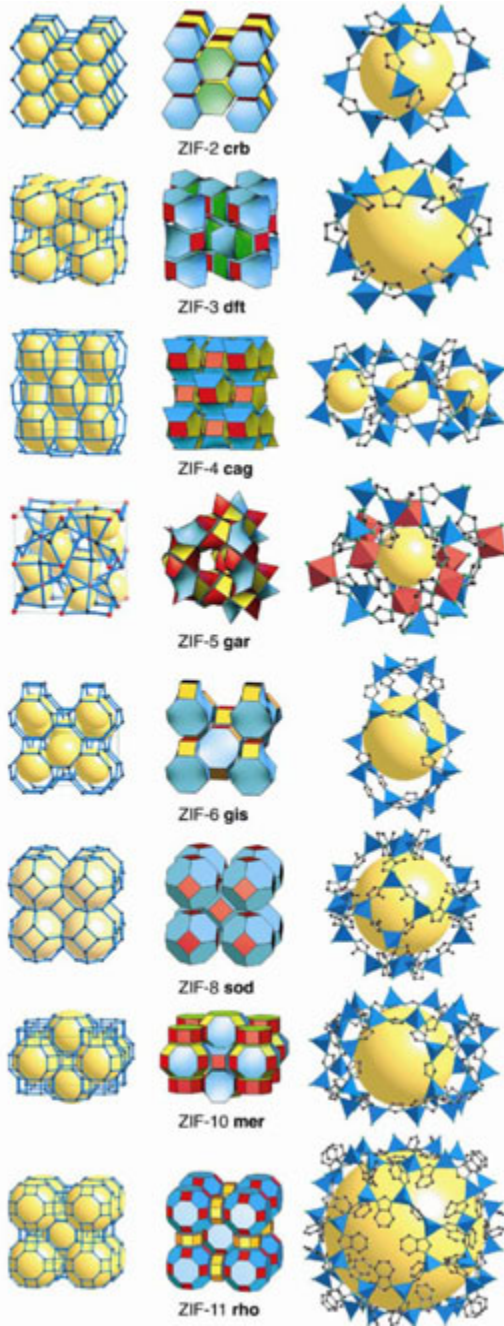
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# ZIF-8 sod

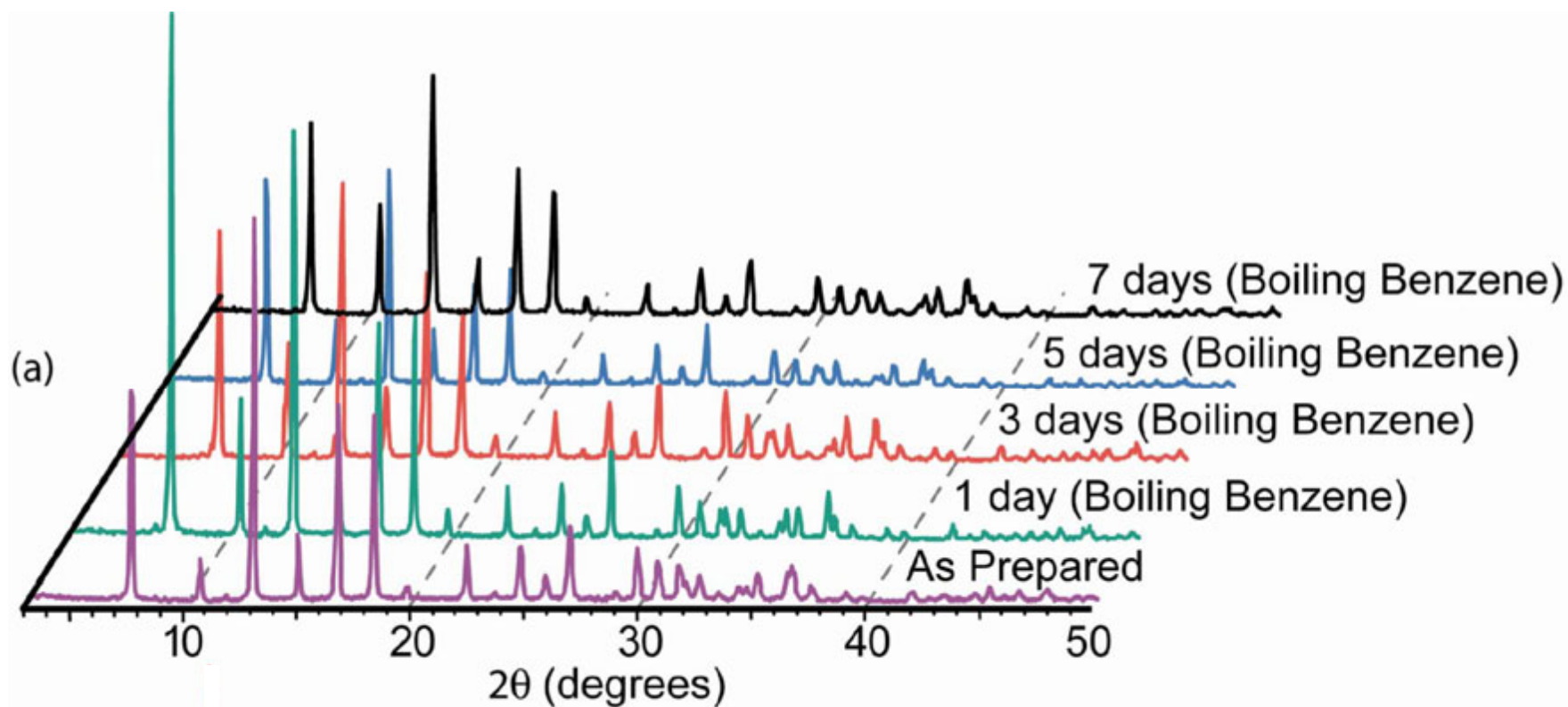


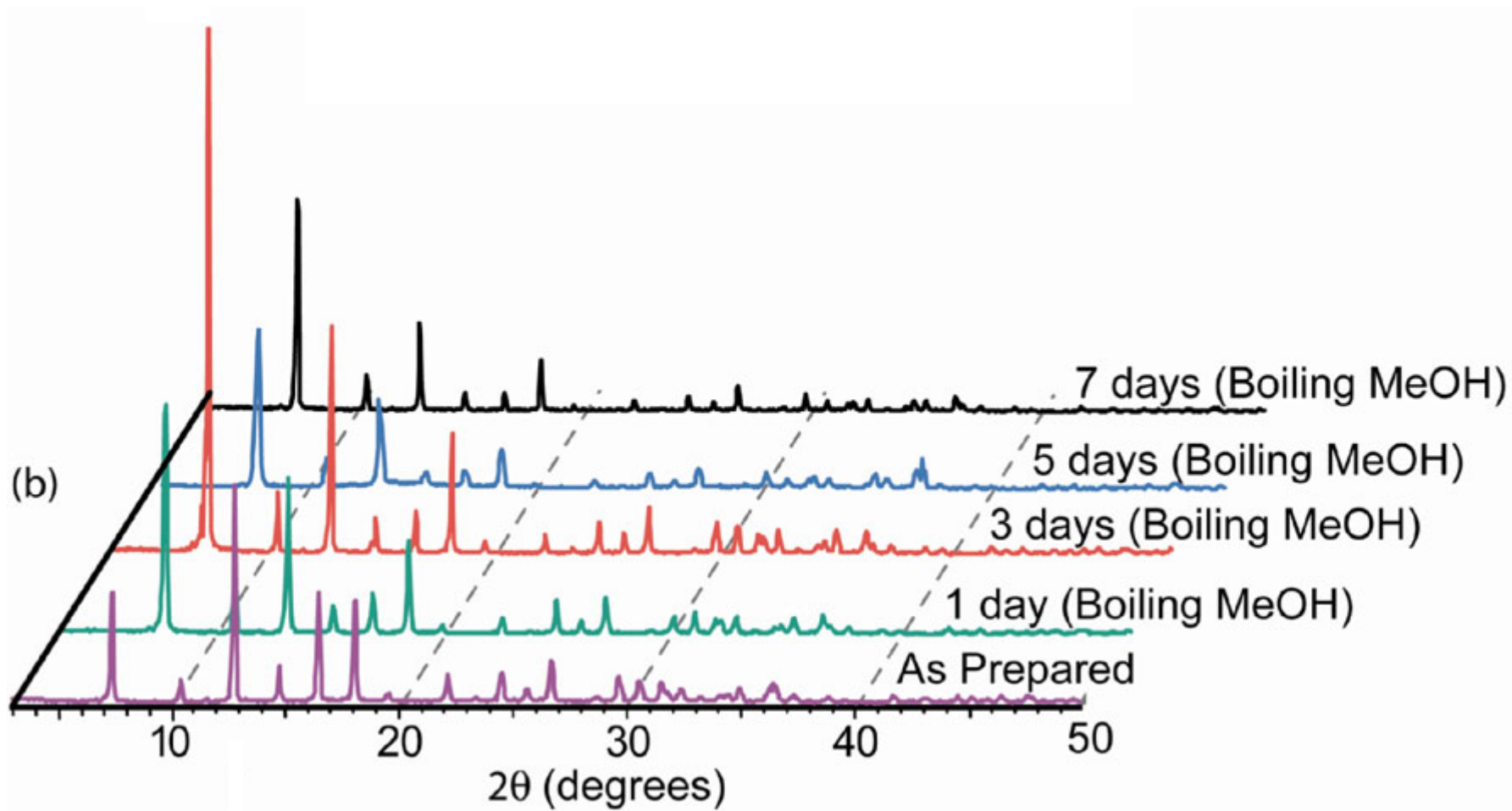
# Thermal stability of ZIFs



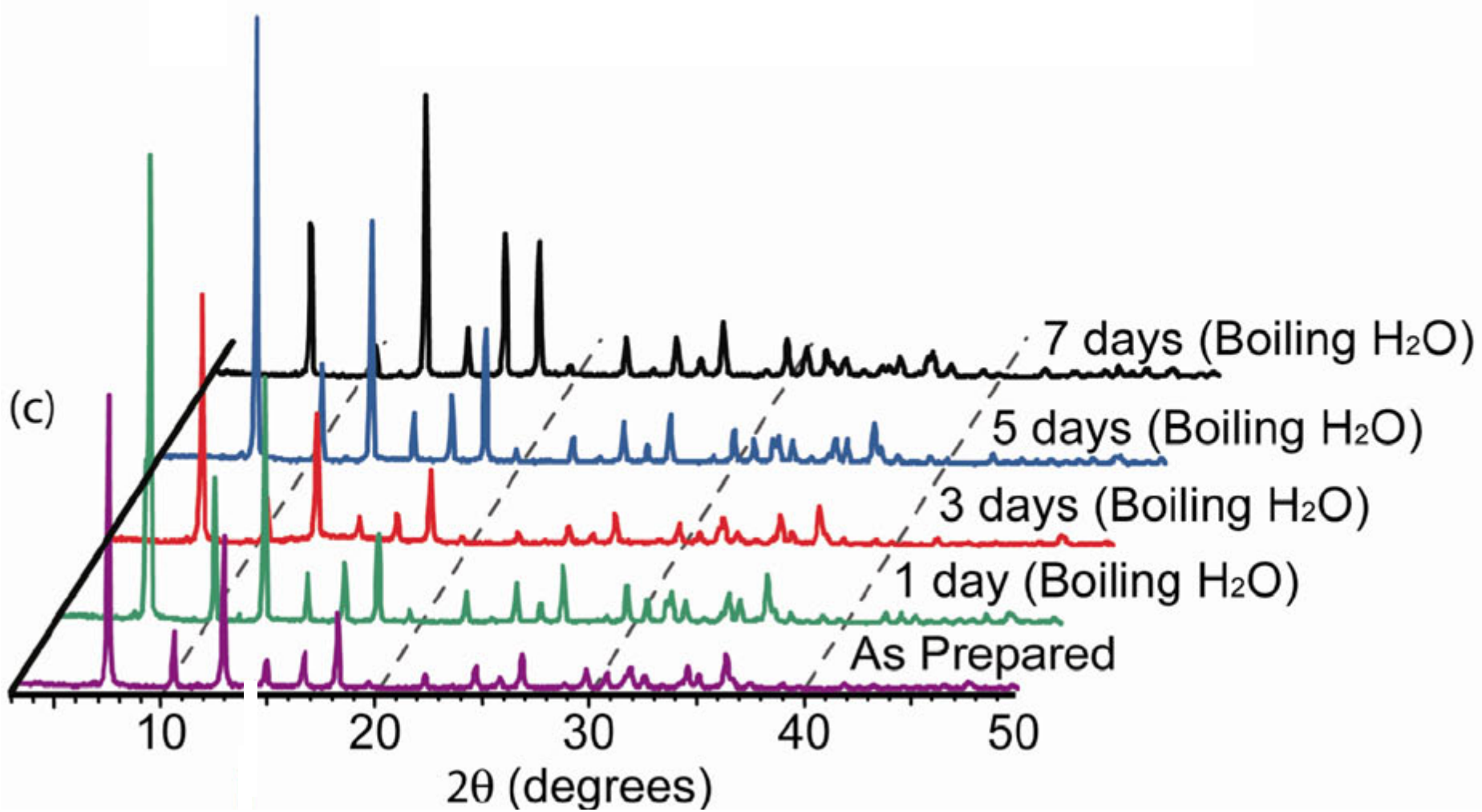


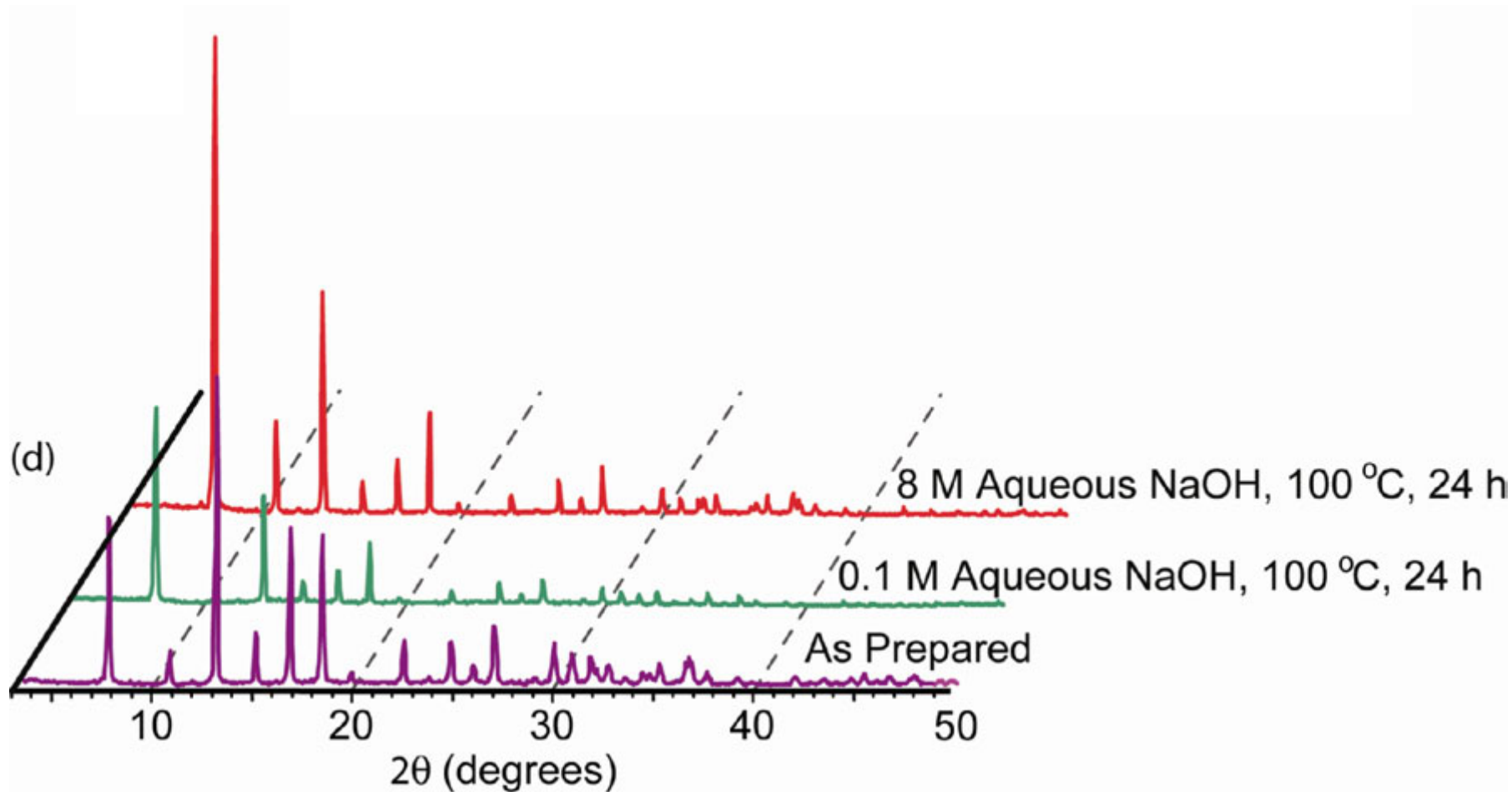
# Chemical stability of ZIF-8





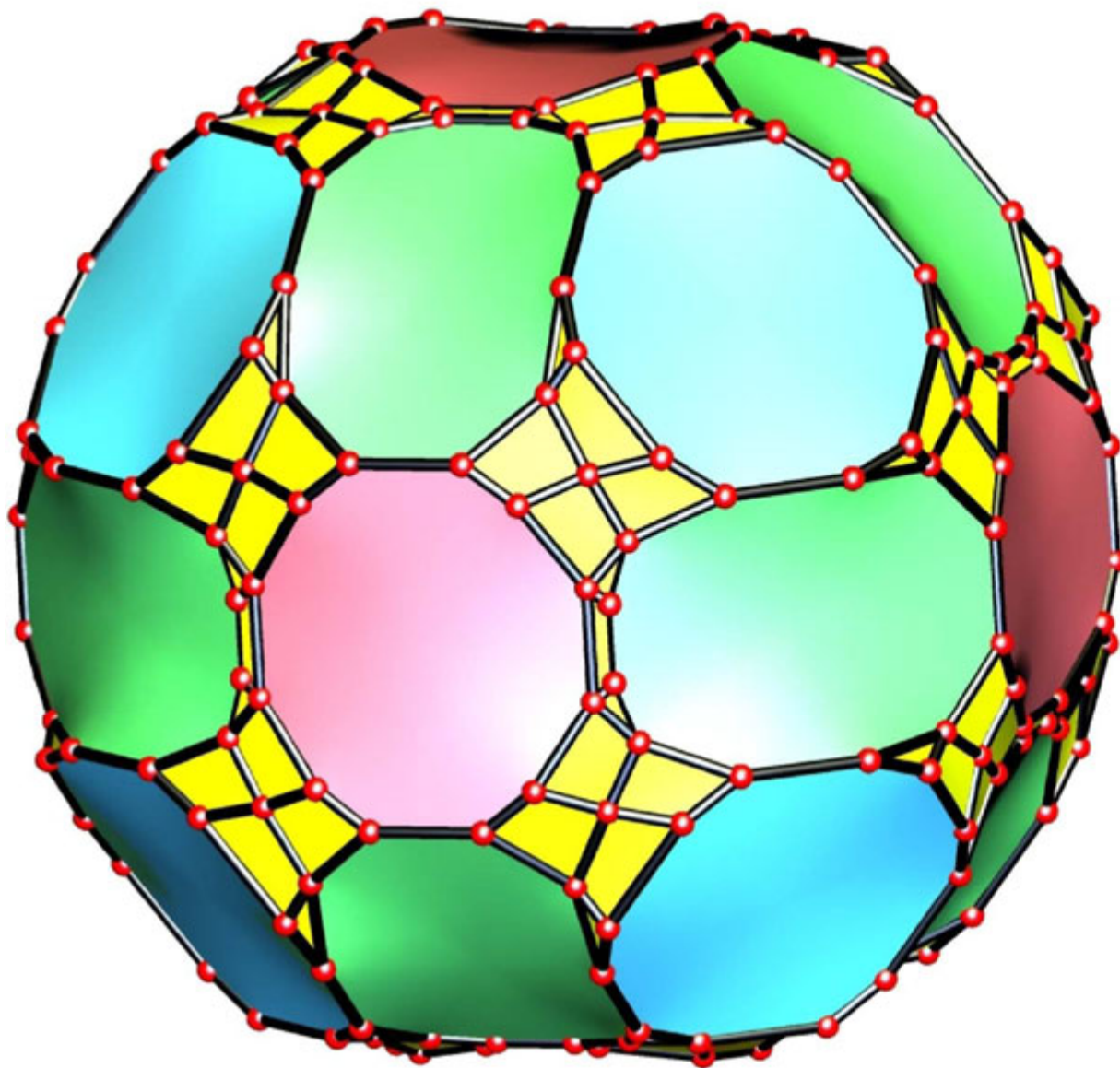




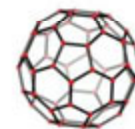
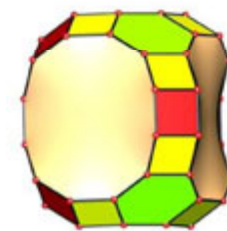
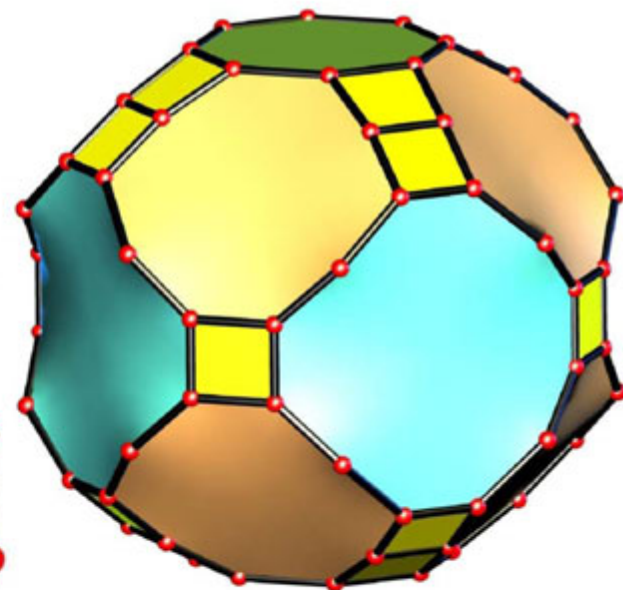


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ZIF-100



ZIF-105



C<sub>60</sub>

FAU supercage

Trigonal Zn metal site next to Z-F bond both pointing to the center of pore

## PROGRESS

1. Tuning porosity lead to tripling of hydrogen uptake in MOFs (excess 7.5% wt, absolute 12% wt)
2. The 35 grams H<sub>2</sub>/L achieved in MOF-177, clearly indicates that dead volume is none issue for MOFs
3. MOFs exhibit fast kinetics (1-3 minutes for charging and discharging)
4. MOF materials porosity and uptake are stable to charge/discharge cycling
5. Cubic meter scale of useful MOFs is now developed by BASF

## FUTURE WORK

1. Higher adsorption energy by:
  - (a) Design of Lewis-acid and Lewis-base sites
  - (b) Doping with Li and impregnation with early T.M. complexes
  - (c) Acetylene MOFs for high surface areas and stronger binding of hydrogen
2. Application of high throughput and characterization methods to search for specific structures
3. Testing new materials :
  - (a) Zeolite imidazolate Frameworks (ZIFs)
  - (b) Covalent organic frameworks (COFs)



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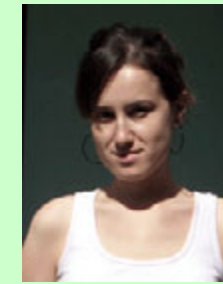
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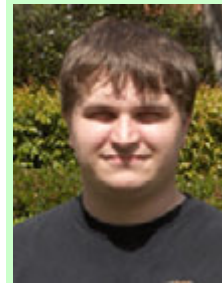
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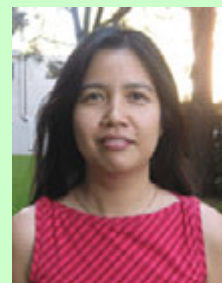
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