

# *Hydrogen Trapping through Designer Hydrogen Spillover Molecules with Reversible Temperature and Pressure- Induced Switching*

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# Overview

## Timeline

- Start - Jan 2009
- End - Dec 2013
- ~7% Complete

## Budget

- Total project funding
  - DOE - \$1,512,922
  - PSU – \$262,151
  - RU - \$229,028
- \$75K in FY08
- \$275K FY09

## Barriers

- Barriers addressed
  - Gravimetric Capacity
  - Min/max delivery temperature
  - Max delivery pressure from tank

## Partners

- Prof. Angela D. Lueking (Penn State)
- Prof. Jing Li (Rutgers) Co-PI
- Prof. Milton W. Cole (Penn State), Co-PI

# Objectives - Relevance

The **overarching objective** is to synthesize designer microporous metal-organic frameworks (MMOFs) mixed with catalysts to enable H-spillover for H<sub>2</sub> storage at 300K-400K and moderate *P*s.

In 2009 (Jan.-Dec.), we will:

- A. Train new users, upgrade and validate H<sub>2</sub> storage measurements -- (PSU) *50% complete*
- B. Synthesize new MMOF structures to explore the effect of surface chemistry, porosity, and structure on hydrogen spillover (RU) -- *30% complete*
- C. Method Development for Catalyst Studies and MMOF compatibility with catalysts (PSU) – *5% complete*
- D. Explore the incorporation of active hydrogen dissociation centers directly into the MMOF framework (PSU & RU) –*5% complete*

The impact your project has on addressing the barriers identified in the Overview slide and other specific targets and milestones.

# STRATEGIES / APPROACH

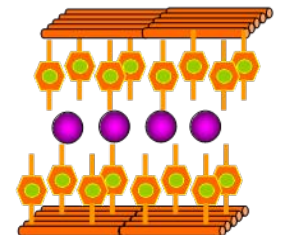
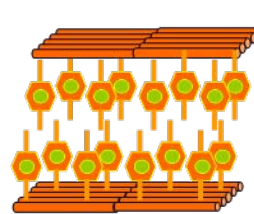
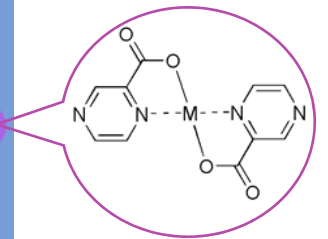
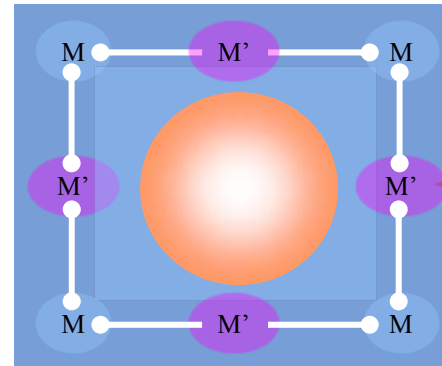
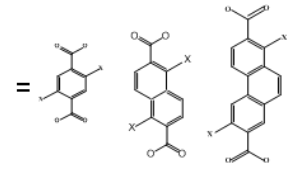
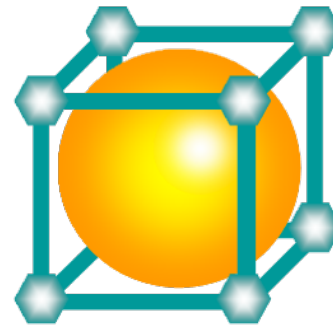
TO MAXIMIZE  $H_2$  STORAGE AT MODERATE  $T$  AND  $P$

- Optimize **Hydrogen Spillover Mechanism** utilizing MOF design to maximize receptors of spilled-over  $H$ :

- Surface Chemistry
- Porosity

- Direct incorporation of catalytic sites

- Explore  $P$ -induced and  $H$ -induced structural changes for  $H_2$  trapping



# APPROACH

## Upcoming Milestones:

- Correlation between spillover and MMOF functional groups, (Yr. 2-- FY10 ) leading to:
  - H<sub>2</sub> uptake > 1 wt% at 20 bar and 300K;
  - Extrapolation suggests > 4 wt% at 100 bar, or
  - Pressure savings of >90% relative to the empty tank
- Incorporation of catalytic entities into MMOF framework (Yr. 2-- FY10 ) leading to:
  - MMOF catalytic activity H-spillover
  - Improved performance relative to Pt-C catalysts

## **Go/No-Go Decision Point.**

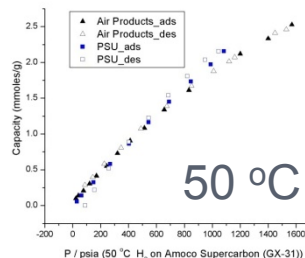
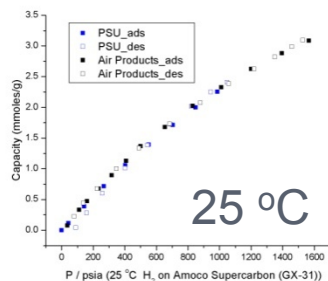
Exceed 5.5 wt% hydrogen storage through the use of the “hydrogen spillover” mechanism, MOF material, or a combination of the two as proposed at moderate temperatures (i.e. 300-400 K) and 100 bar with anticipated system penalties (Go/No Go: 3Q Year 2).

# TECHNICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## A. TRAIN NEW USERS, UPGRADE AND VALIDATE H<sub>2</sub> STORAGE MEASUREMENTS

### High-Pressure Differential Volumetric System (custom-built)

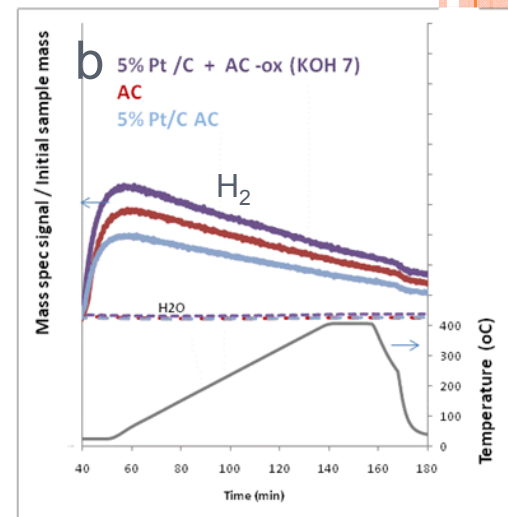
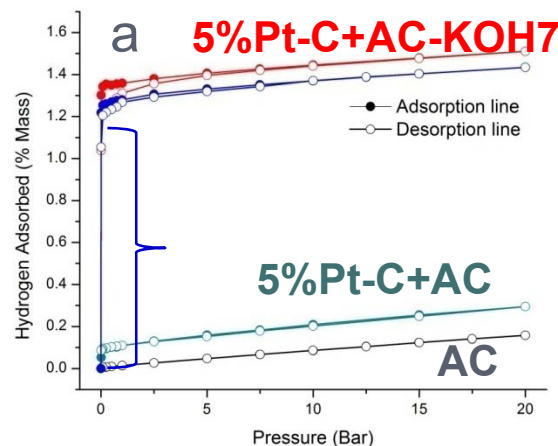
- New students at PSU are trained on custom-built differential Sieverts and required to validate published data for AX-21 activated carbon against published results.
- Multiple  $T_s$  are used in preparation for future catalyst studies



### High-Pressure TG-MS

(Mass spec upgrade)

- A mass spectrometer was incorporated into an existing high P TGA in Mar 09
- MS validation shown below:

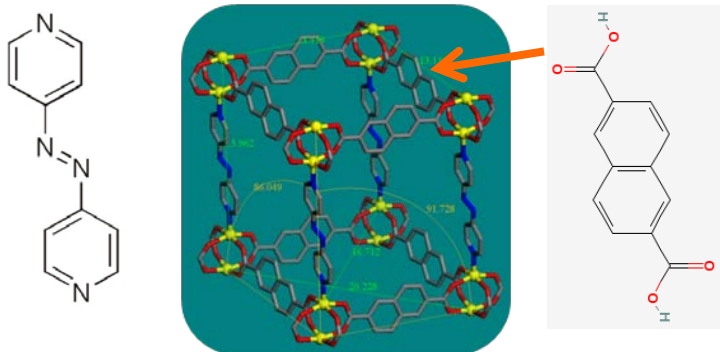


(a) Adsorption-Desorption Isotherm showed 1.0 wt% chemisorbed H<sub>2</sub>, which (b) desorbed with subsequent heating.

# TECHNICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

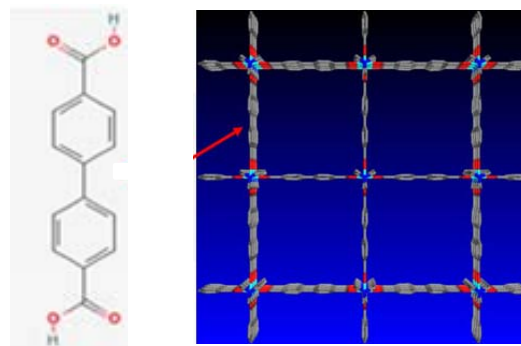
B. SYNTHESIZE NEW MMOF STRUCTURES TO EXPLORE THE EFFECT OF SURFACE CHEMISTRY, POROSITY, AND STRUCTURE ON HYDROGEN SPILLOVER

## MMOF-1-Zn

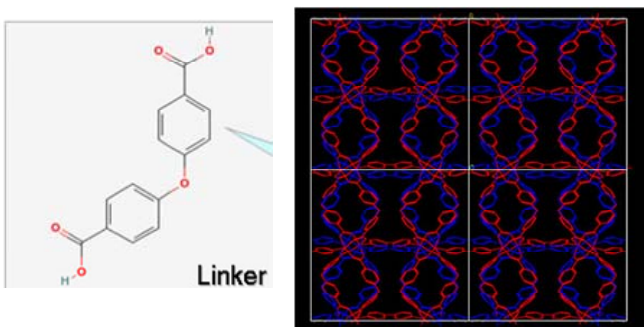


## MMOF-2-M

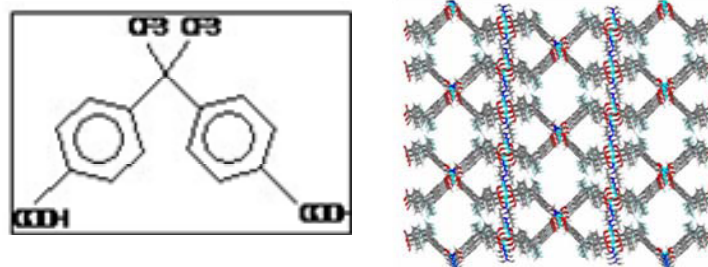
(M = Ni, Cu, Zn)



## MMOF-3-Zn



## MMOF-4-Zn



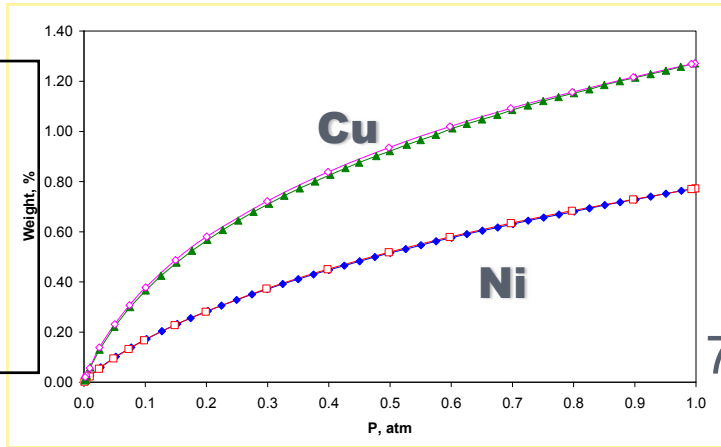


# TECHNICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

BASELINE PHYSISORPTION DATA FOR AS-SYNTHEZIZED MMOFs

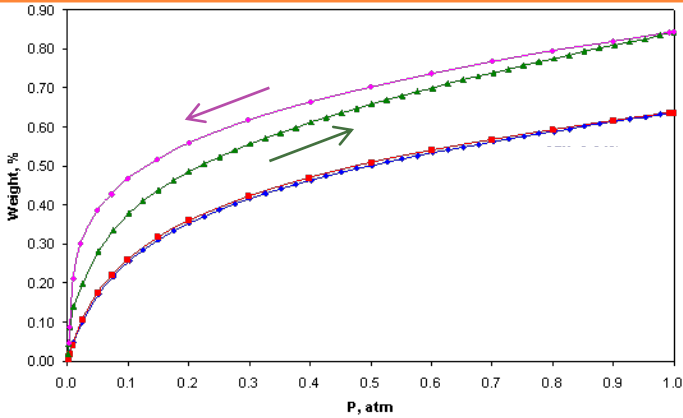
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1.3% (1 atm)  
0.77% (1 atm)  
 $q_{st} \sim 5$  kJ/mol  
77K

## MMOF-3-Zn



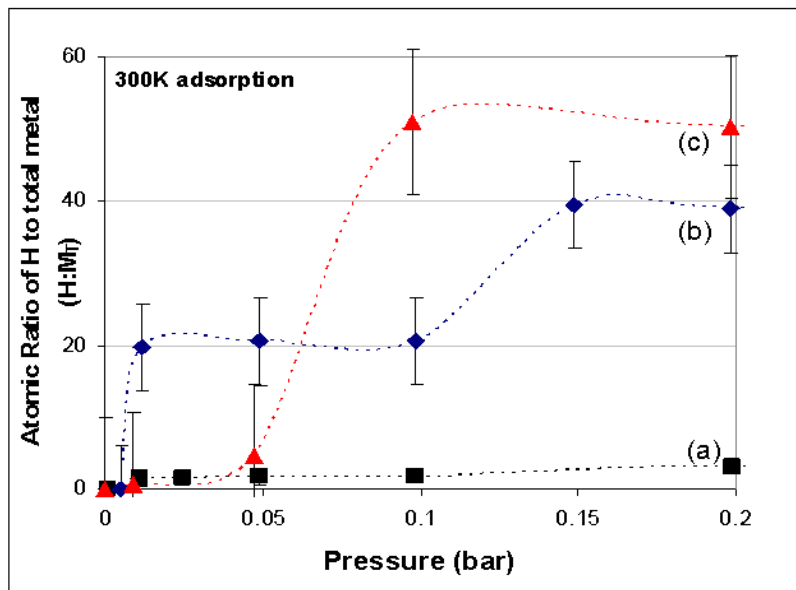
0.84% (1 atm, 77K)  
0.64% (1 atm, 87K)  
 $q_{st} \sim 6.5$  kJ/mol



# TECHNICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

B. EXPLORE THE EFFECT OF SURFACE CHEMISTRY, POROSITY, AND STRUCTURE ON HYDROGEN SPILLOVER

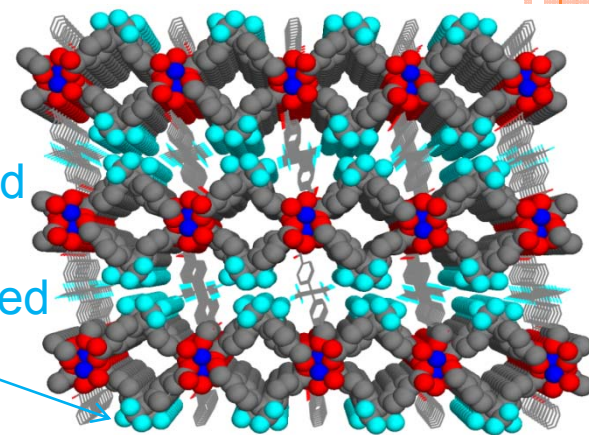
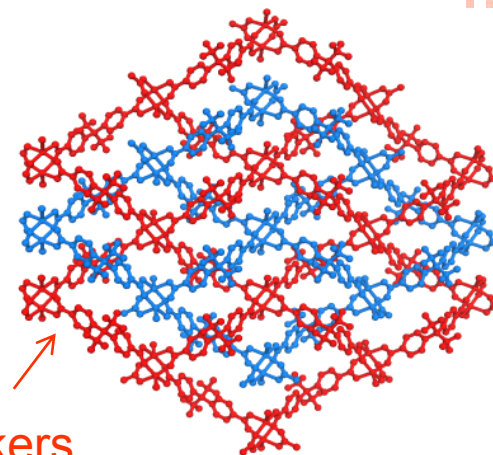
Mixing MMOFs with 5% Pt/C for 300K adsorption



(c) Carbon-based linkers

(b) Incorporated surface sites for increased H-bonding

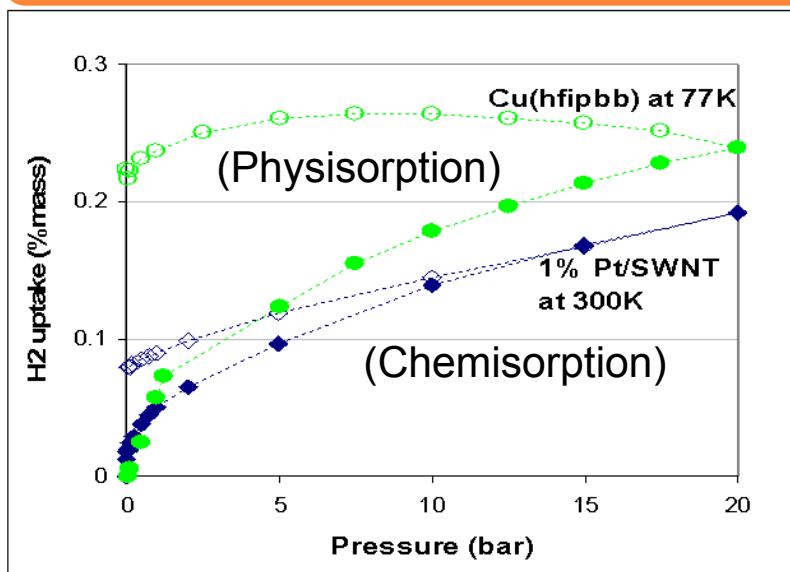
(a) 5% Pt/C catalyst



Use of a spillover catalyst increases  $T_{ads}$  to 300K. MMOFs can increase the uptake by providing specific H-bonding sites. Above, (b) surface chemistry may play a role at very low pressure, then (c) enhanced porosity may dominate.

# FUTURE WORK

## Explore P-, T-, and H- induced structural changes for H<sub>2</sub> trapping



### KEY HURDLE:

Understanding effects of structure, window size, surface chemistry, gas-surface potential, temperature, and pressure on P-induced hysteresis.

*Cole will explore the theory of P-induced hysteresis.*

The proposal will explore 'switches' that have the ability to turn on/off hydrogen adsorption/desorption with  $T$  and  $P$ .

•*For T-switching:* the milestone will be to identify surface functionalities that may strongly bind hydrogen species at  $T_A$ , but desorb at  $T_D < 80$  °C. The path-dependence of these 'temperature-switch' experiments will be evaluated. (Yr. 2 – FY10)

•*For P-switching:* MMOFs have demonstrated transformations induced by  $P$  and H-bonding. A milestone will be to observe at least 37.5% trapping due to hysteretic adsorption at moderate temperatures. The milestone will be model validation, and observation of H<sub>2</sub> and H gate-opening pressures in order to serve as a chemical switch for the dilation phenomenon. (Yr. 3 – FY 11)

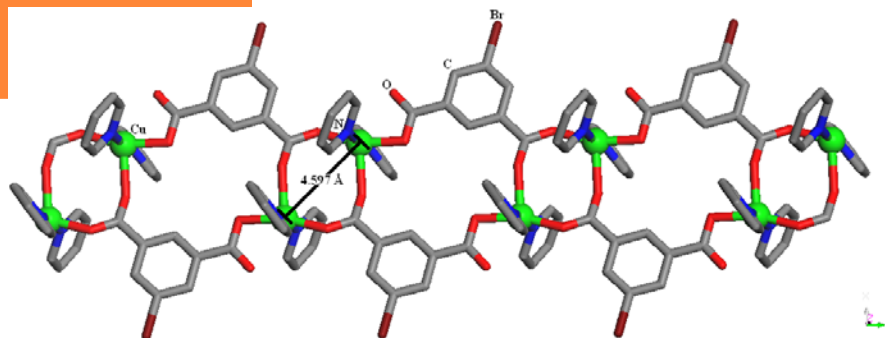
# FUTURE WORK

INCORPORATION OF CATALYST DIRECTLY INTO MMOF STRUCTURE

## Testing Catalytic Activity of $M^{2+}$ in the MMOF framework.

BEFORE

AFTER 200 °C in  $H_2$



Heterometallic MMOFs having catalytic metal ions imbedded in the internal wall of the channels/voids may act as the hydrogen spillover source. The unsaturated metals will be cross-referenced with catalysis data to determine expected active catalytic temperature for hydrogen dissociation. Milestones (FY10) include (a) evidence for catalytic activity of incorporated catalysts, based on either  $H_2$ - $D_2$  exchange studies and/or the  $WO_3$  color change test (at left); and (b) superior performance (increased H:M, active  $T < 80$  °C) relative to the Pt/C catalysts.

# COLLABORATIONS

## *University:*

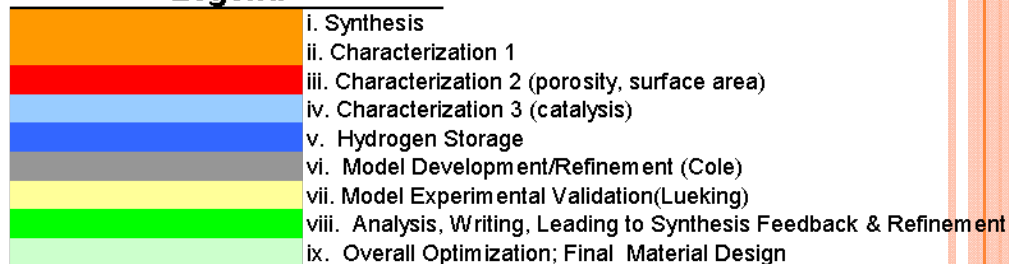
- Prof. Angela D. Lueking (Penn State) PI
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- Prof. Milton W. Cole (Penn State), Co-PI

## Pending Collaborations / On-going discussions

- Prof. Silvina Gatica, Howard University
- Brookhaven National Laboratory

# PROJECT SCHEDULE - FUTURE WORK

## Legend



Goal	Class of Materials	Project Milestone Description	Year 1				Year 2				Year 3				Year 4				Year 5				
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
<b>Train Users</b>	Rutgers		Orange	Orange	Orange																		
	Penn state		Blue	Blue	Blue																		
1A	i		Orange	Orange	Blue	Orange	Blue	Red	Green	Green													
	ii				Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Green										
	iii.						Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Green	Green							
	iv.												Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Blue	Blue			Green	Green	Green
1B	i		Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Orange	Blue	Red	Blue	Green	Green											
	ii								Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Orange	Blue	Blue	Red	Green	Green					
	iii.										Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Orange	Blue	Blue	Red	Green	Green			
	iv.							Orange	Orange	Orange	Blue	Red	Blue	Green	Green	Green	Green						
1C	i					Orange	Orange	Light Blue	Light Blue	Blue	Red	Orange	Orange	Green	Green								
	ii					Orange	Orange	Light Blue	Light Blue	Blue	Blue	Red	Orange	Green									
	iii.									Orange	Orange	Light Blue	Light Blue	Blue	Blue	Red	Orange	Blue	Blue	Green	Green		
	iv.												Orange	Orange	Light Blue	Blue	Red	Orange	Blue	Blue	Green	Green	Green
2A	TBD (based on 1A, 1B)							Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Green		
2B	TBD (based on 1A, 1B)							Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Green	Green		
2C	i		Orange	Orange	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Red	Grey			Green	Green									
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# SUMMARY

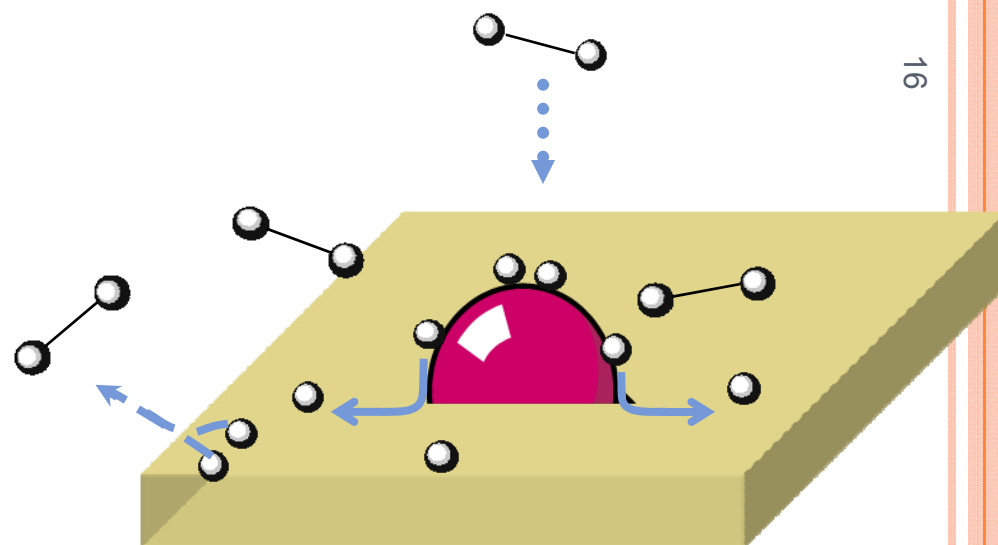
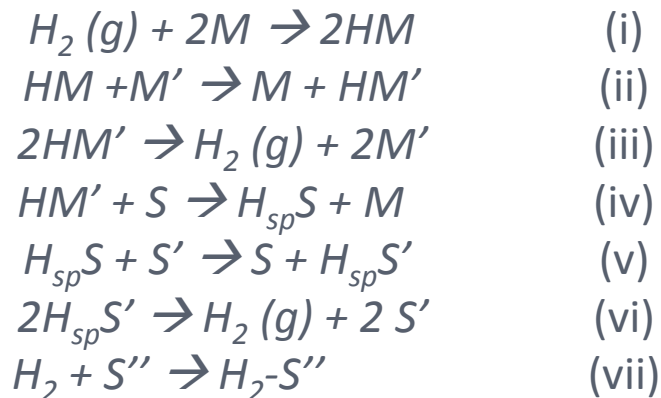
- Incorporation of catalysts to MMOFs increases operative adsorption temperature by activating hydrogen spillover process
- MMOF synthesis allows for tight control over porosity and surface chemistry, factors which are expected to increase hydrogen spillover and corresponding uptake.
- To date, surface chemistry appears to play a role at very low pressure while porosity plays a role at increased pressure.
- In first 3 months of project, focus has been on student training, synthesis, and equipment upgrades and validation.

# Supplemental Slides

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# BACKGROUND: WHAT IS HYDROGEN SPOILOVER?



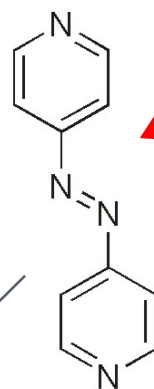
**Box 1: Reaction sequence for hydrogen spillover.**



# MMOF-1-Zn

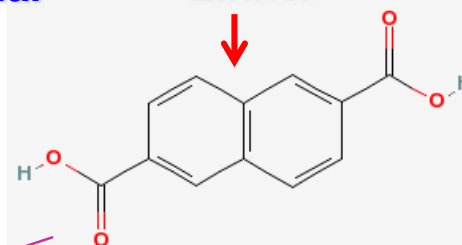
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Crystal System: Monoclinic  
Space Group: C2/c  
Data Collection Temperature: 100K  
Unit Cell Dimensions:  
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 $b = 20.2283(17) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 11.9471(10) \text{ \AA}$   
 $\beta = 117.367(2)^\circ$   
 $V = 3586.7(5) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 8$   
Density (Calculated):  $1.512 \text{ g/cm}^3$   
Solvent Accessible Volume: **23.6 %**

## Ligands



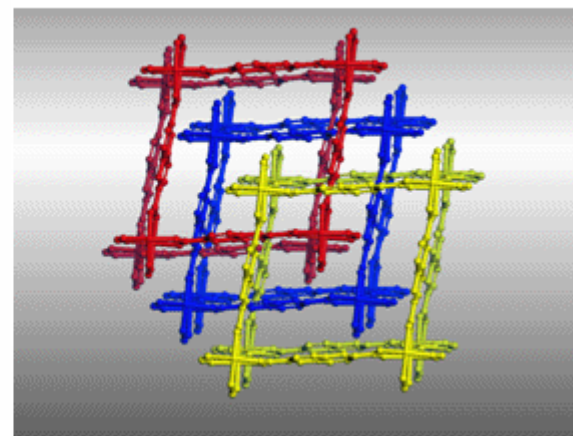
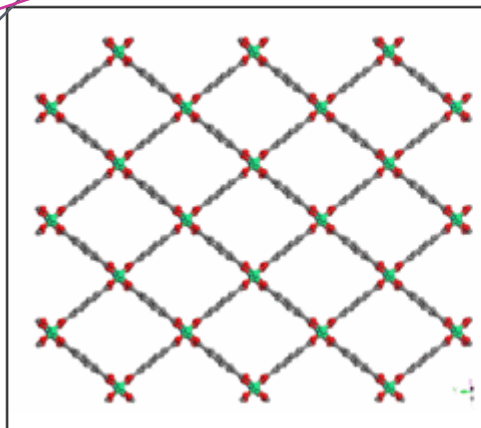
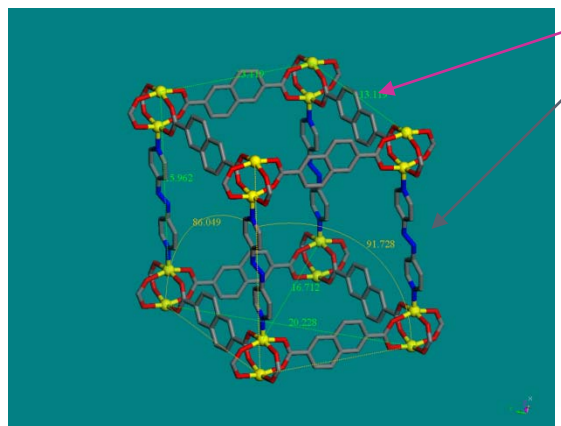
Pillar

Linker



4,4'-Azopyridine

Napthalene  
2,6-Dicarboxylic Acid



# MMOF-2-M (M = Ni, Cu, Zn)

## Crystal Data

Evacuated Formula Weight: 355.63 g/mol

Crystal System: Tetragonal

Space Group: *P422*

Unit Cell Parameters:

$a = 15.2312 \text{ \AA}$

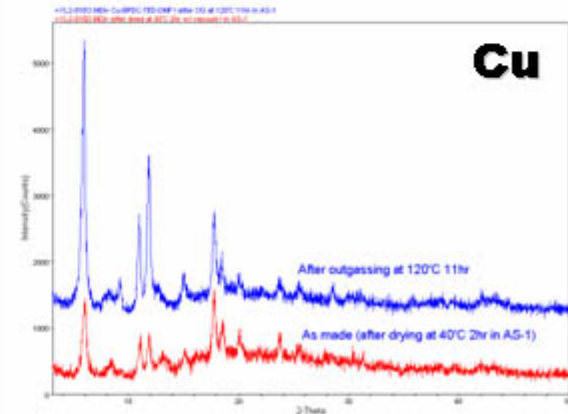
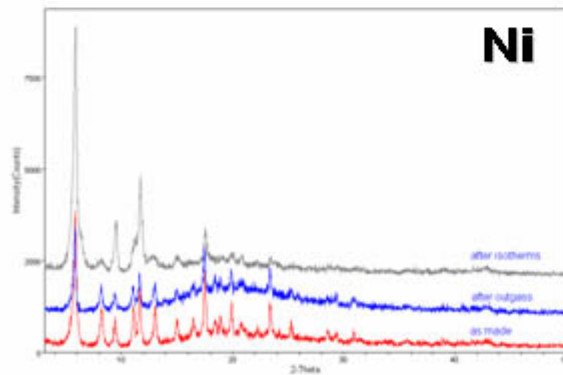
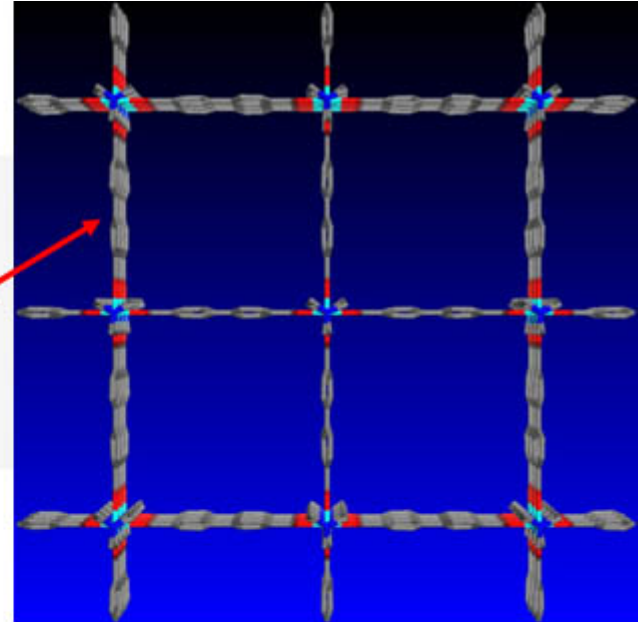
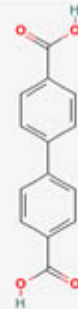
$b = 15.2312 \text{ \AA}$

$c = 9.6630 \text{ \AA}$

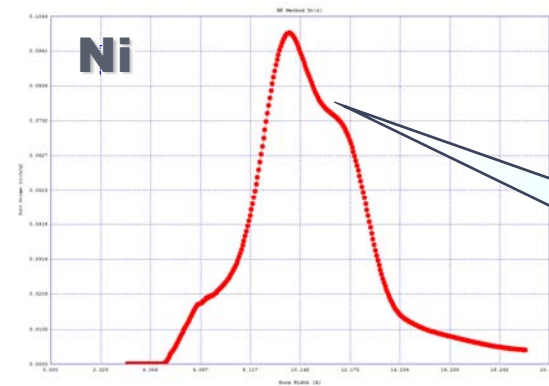
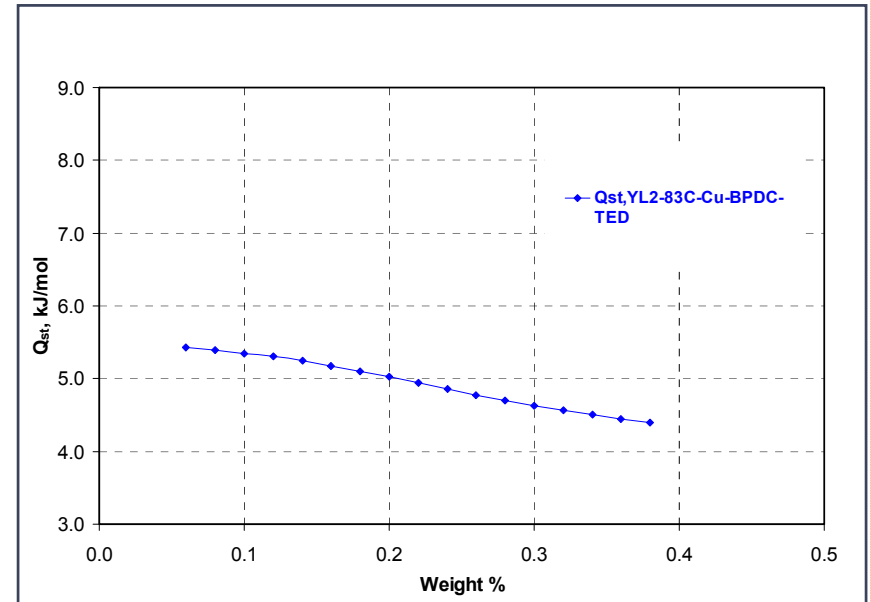
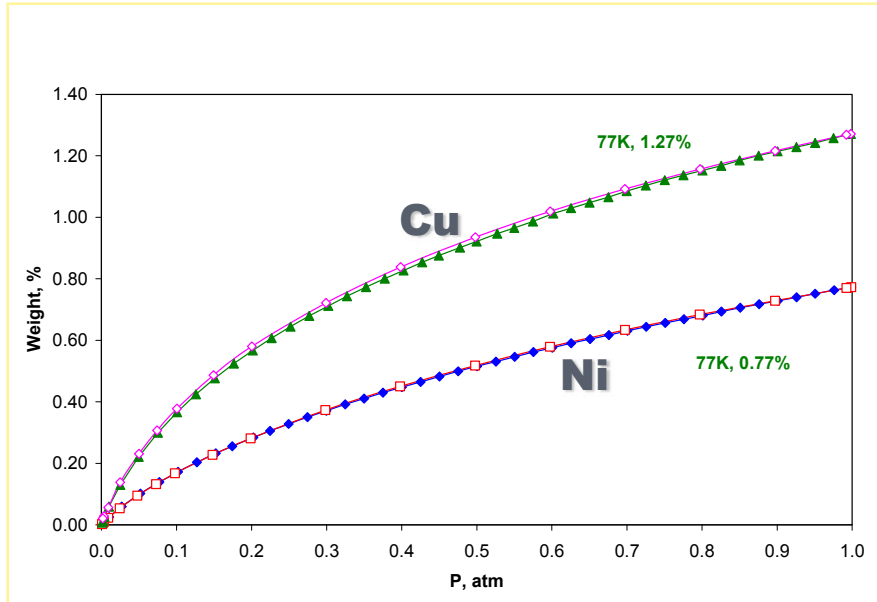
$V = 2241.7 \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $Z = 2$

Framework Density:  $0.5269 \text{ g/cm}^3$

Solvent Accessible Volume: 73.3%



# MMOF-2-M (M = Ni, Cu, Zn)

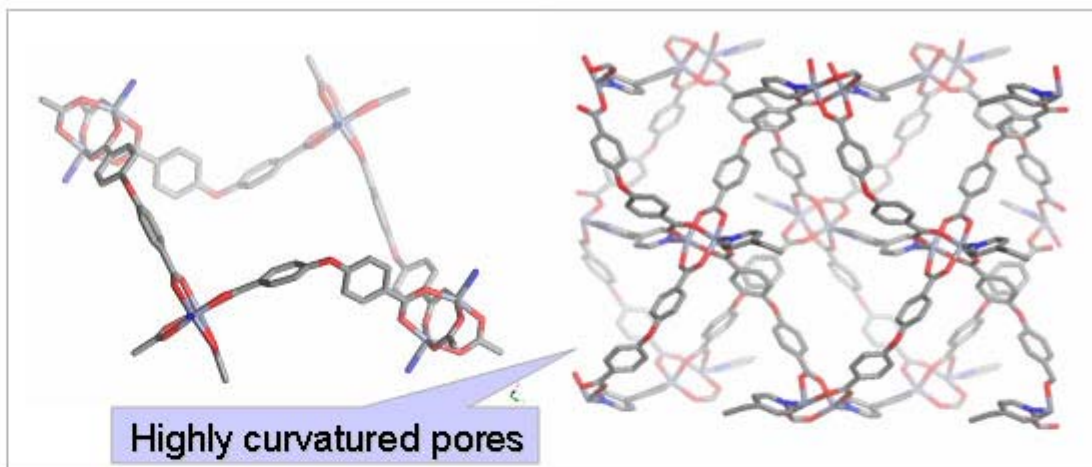


Pore Size Distribution  
(~8-12Å)

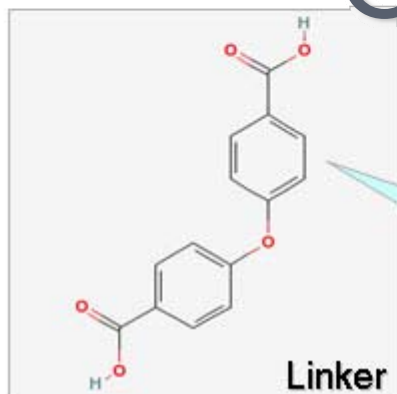
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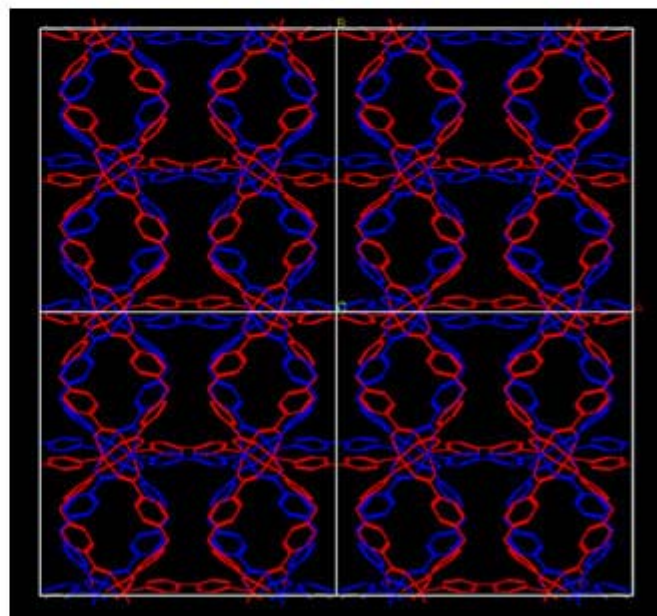
Formula Weight: 872.43 g/mol  
Crystal System: Orthorhombic  
Space Group: *Pbcn*  
Unit Cell Dimensions:  
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 $b = 22.390(2) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 16.573(5) \text{ \AA}$   
 $V = 8223.1(14) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 $Z = 8$   
Density (Calculated):  $1.409 \text{ g/cm}^3$   
Solvent Accessible Volume: 24.2 %



## OBA



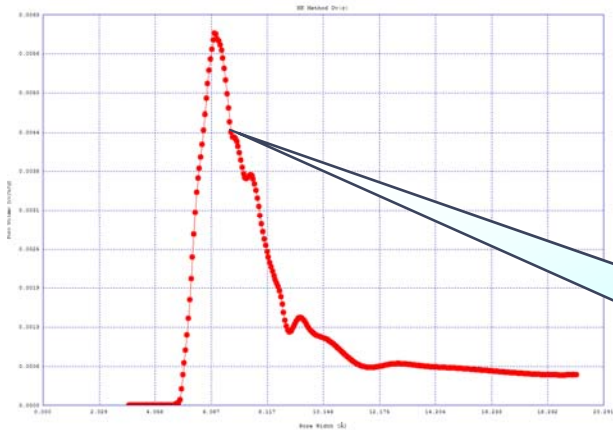
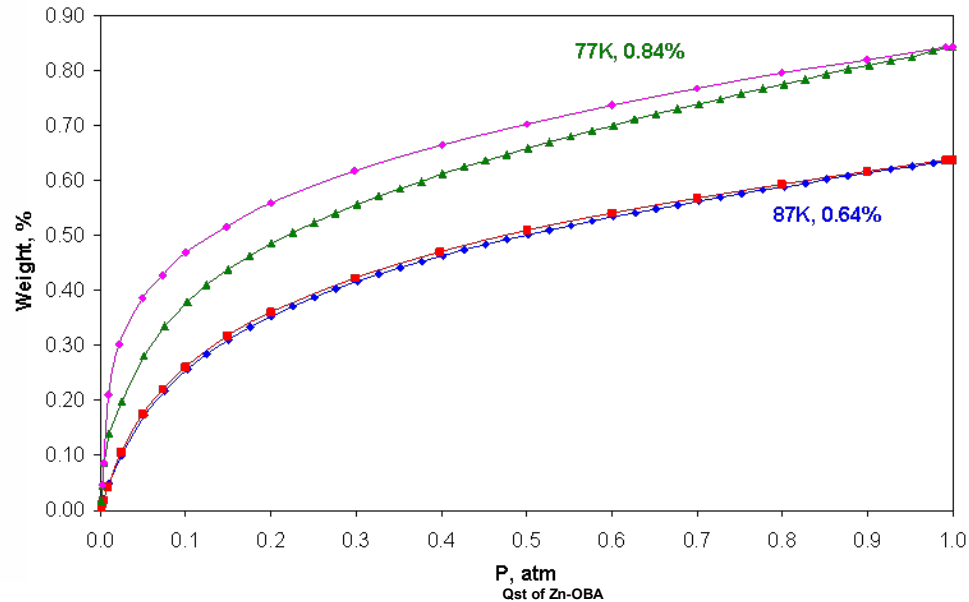
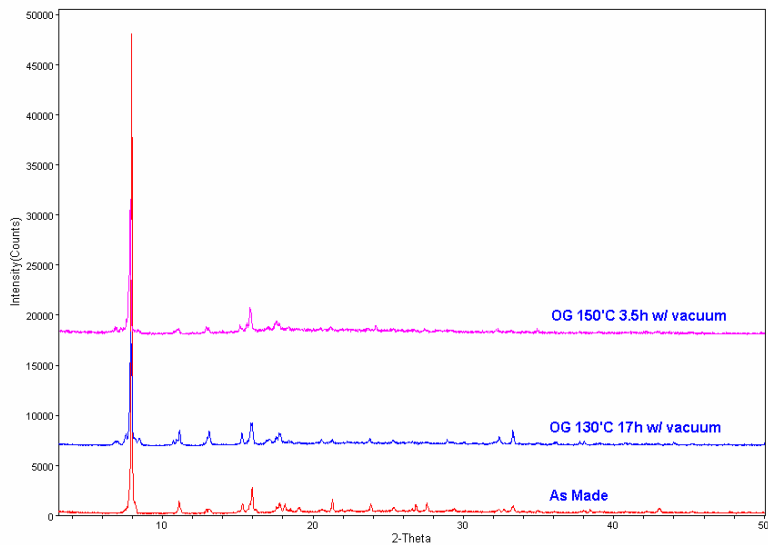
4,4'-oxybis-  
benzoic acid





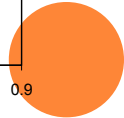
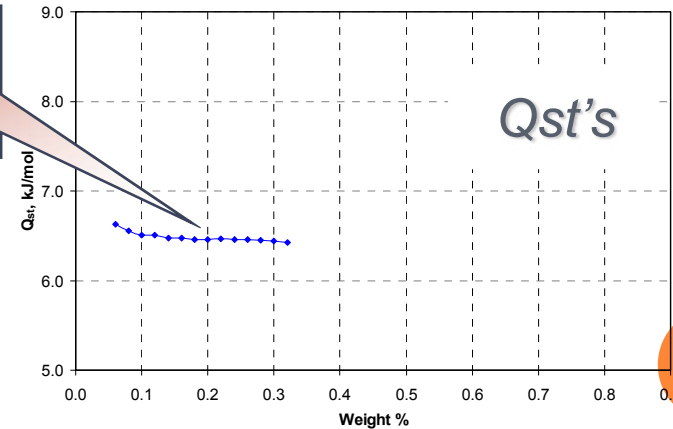
# MMOF-3-Zn

Zn-OBBA-YL2-60A



Isosteric Heats  
(6.5-6.7Å)

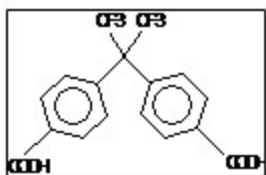
Pore Size  
Distribution  
(6-7Å)



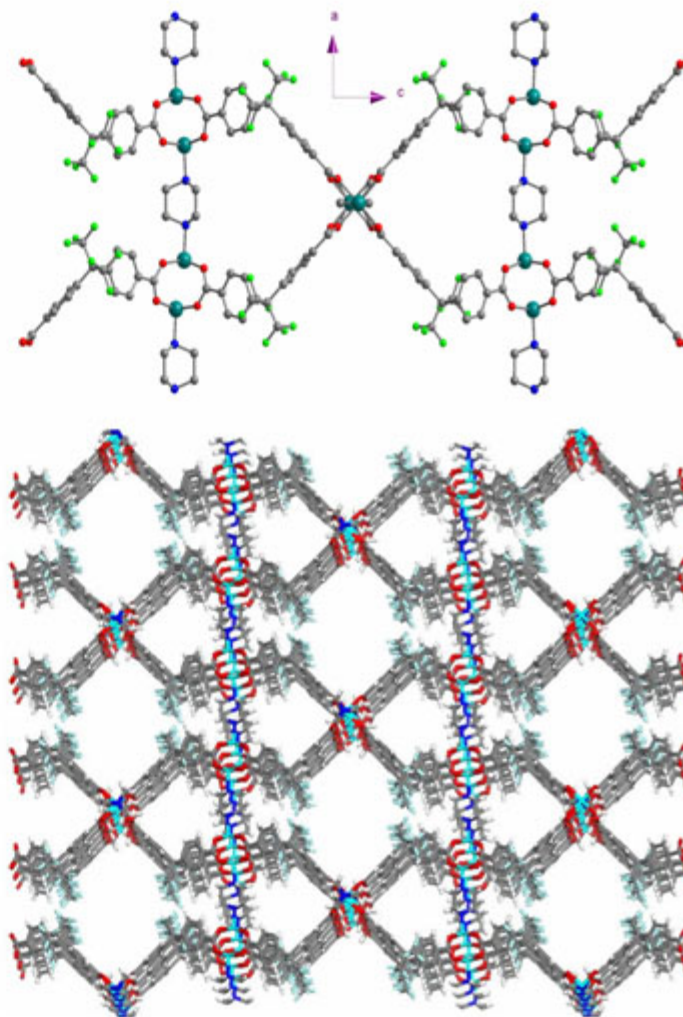
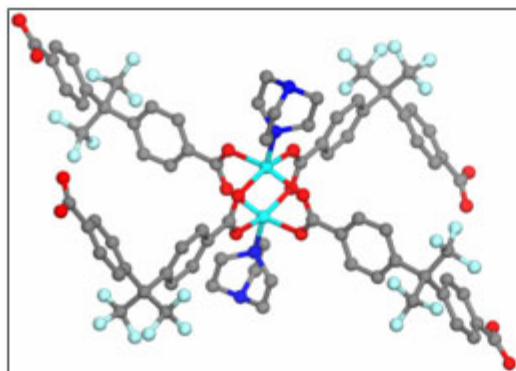
# MMOF-4-Zn

## Crystal Data

Formula Weight (g/mol)	580.89
Crystal System	Tetragonal
Space Group	$I4_1/amd$
Unit Cell Dimensions:	
$a = 19.0903 \text{ \AA}$	$\alpha = 90.0^\circ$
$b = 19.0903 \text{ \AA}$	$\beta = 90.0^\circ$
$c = 47.7560 \text{ \AA}$	$\gamma = 90.0^\circ$
$V = 17404.2 \text{ \AA}^3$	
$Z = 16$	
Density (Calculated, $\text{g/cm}^3$ )	0.783
Solvent Accessible Volume	64.4%

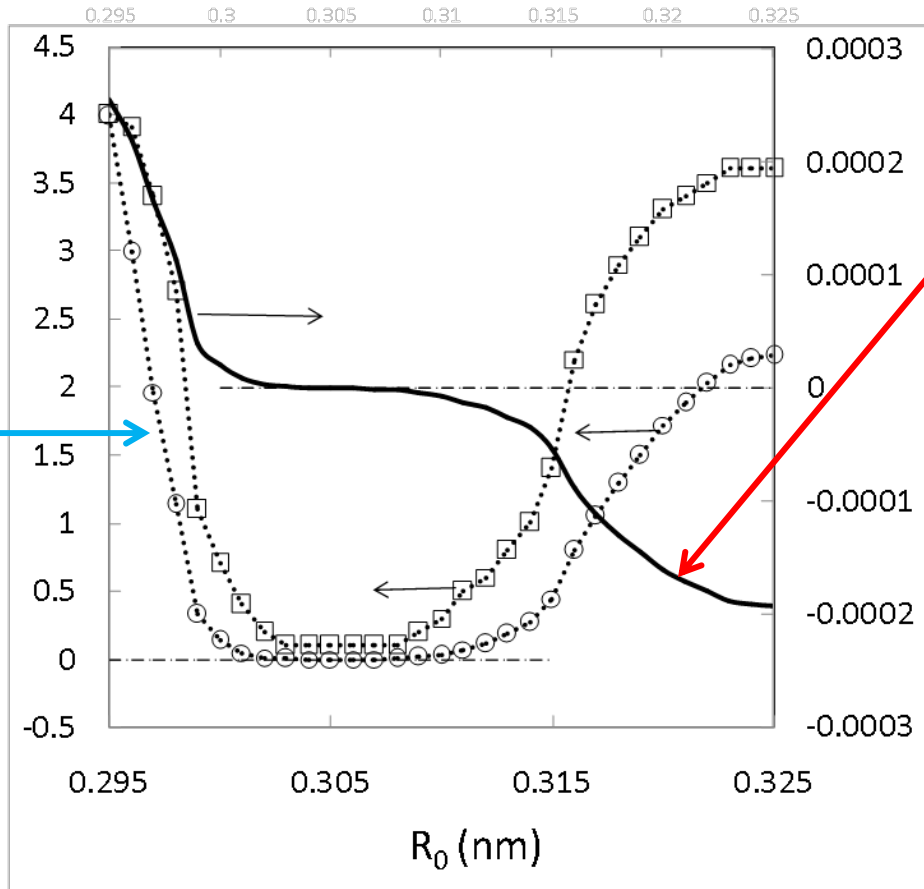


$\text{H}_2\text{hfipbb} = 4,4'$ -  
hexafluoroisopropyl  
idene)bis(benzoic  
acid





Energy change,  
in Kelvin



$$\Delta R = R_{eq} - R_o \text{ (in nm)}$$

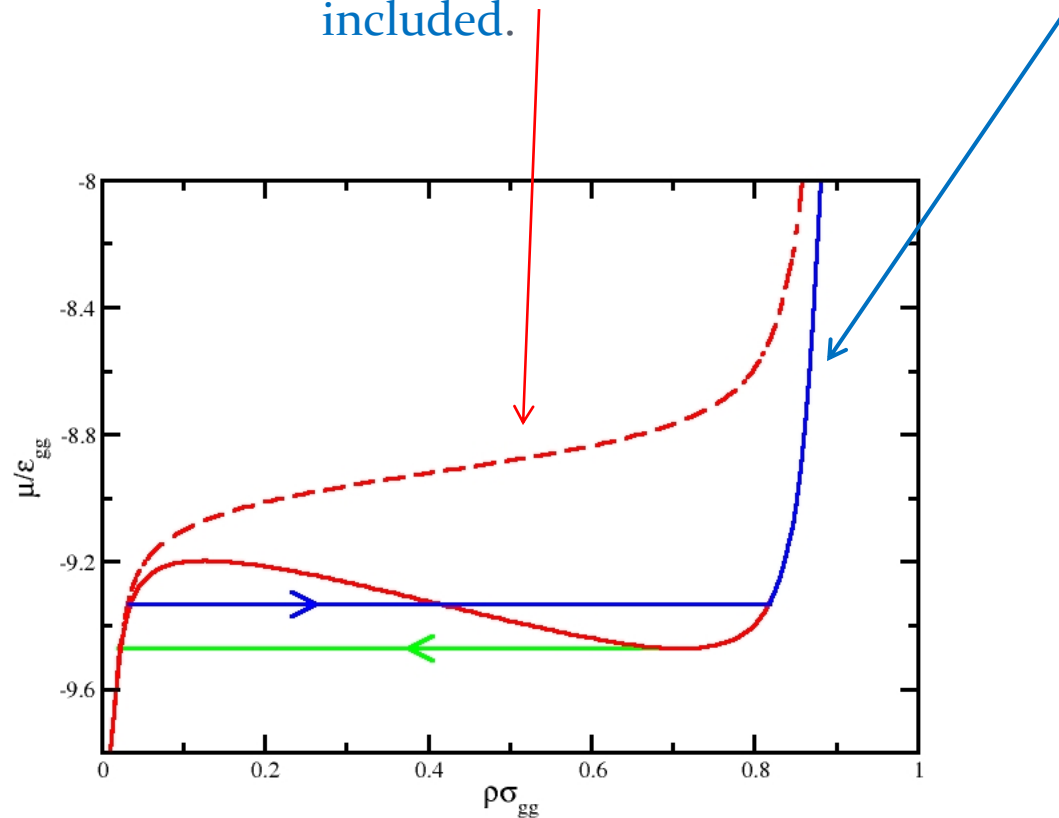
**$^3\text{He}$  at  $T=0$ :**

**The fluid is not self-bound if no relaxation is included, but becomes strongly self-bound when it is included.**

**The effect of lattice relaxation is huge!**



Example 2: Ar inside a small nanotube, initial radius 0.325 nm, at  $T=30$  K.  
 Chemical potentials vs. fluid density  $\rho$ , omitting relaxation, or **when included.**



**Imbibition transition** occurs when the fluid enters a pore that is expanded as a consequence of the presence of the fluid. **Qualitative change in the isotherm!**

Note hysteresis, associated with van der Waals loop.