Electronic Supporting Information

Highly selective C₂H₂ and CO₂ capture and magnetic properties of robust Co-chain based metal–organic framework

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(1) 2,6-di(2',5'-dicarboxylphenyl)pyridine (H₄L)

2,6-dibromopyridine (2.37 g, 10.00 mmol), (2,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)boronic acid (5.24 g,22.00 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.58 g, 0.50 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (6.64 g, 48.00 mmol) were mixed in a 250 mL Schlenk flask. After vacuumized and refilled with N2 for three times, toluene-ethanol-water (60 ml, 30 ml, 30 ml) was added. The mixture was stirred at 75°C for 18h and then cooled to room temperature. After removing the organic phase under vacuum, dichloromethane (150 mL) and H₂O (75 mL) were added. The organic phase was separated and then the aqueous phase was extracted three times with dichloromethane (100×3 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with saturated brine, dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After removing the organic solvent by rotary evaporation, the residue was purified by column chromatography with dichloromethane/ethyl acetate (3/1, v/v) as eluent to obtain white solid product (3.84 g, v/v)83.0% yield). 3.84 g (8.30 mmol) of dimethyl tetramethyl 2,2'-(pyridine-2,6diyl)diterephthal ate was dissolved in THF (100 mL), and then 160 mL 2 M NaOH aqueous solution was added. The solut was stirred at 60°C for 6h and the THF was removed in vacuum. Concentrated hydrochloric acid was added to the remaining aqueous solution until the solution became acidic ($pH = 2 \sim 3$). The solid was collected by filtration, washed several times with distilled water, and dried under vacuum to give white solid product (3.09 g, 91% yield).¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on 500 MHz spectrometer. ¹H NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal $(CH_3)_4Si$ (TMS) at $\delta 0.00$ or to the signal of the residual protonated solvent: $(CD_3)_2SO$ δ 2.50. ¹³C NMR chemical shifts

were determined relative to internal TMS at δ 0.0.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.21 (s, 4H), 8.17 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 2H), 8.06 (dd, J = 1.5,

8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.96 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H);

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.4, 166.9, 157.0, 140.4, 137.6, 137.2, 133.2, 131.1, 129.8, 129.5, 122.3.



^{196 185 175 165 165 145 135 125 115 106 96 90 86 80 75 70 65 80 55 60 45 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5 0 -5} fl (gma)



Fig. S1 The bridging mode of L^{4-} in **1**.



Fig. S2 PXRD patterns for 1: simulated, as-synthesized, and desolved samples.



Fig. S3 TGA for 1: as-synthesized, EtOH-exchanged, and desolved samples.



Fig. S4 IR for 1: as-synthesized and desolved samples.



Fig. S5 The pore size distribution incremental pore volume vs. pore width





Fig. S6 C_2H_2 (a), CO_2 (b), and CH_4 (c) adsorption isotherms of 1a with fitting by L-F model.





Fig. S7 C₂H₂ (a) and CO₂ (b) adsorption isotherms for 1a with fitting by Virial 2 model.



Fig. S8 $\chi_{\rm M}^{-1}$ versus *T* plots fit by the Curie–Weiss law.



Fig. S9 Coordination polyhedra of Co1 and Co2 cations, and details of tetrameric cluster.



Fig. S10 Linear fit by Arrhenius law for 1.

Table. S1 Selected bond lengths (\AA) and bond angles (deg) for 1.

Co(1)-O(1)	2.168(6)	
Co(1)-O(4)#2	2.069(8)	
Co(1)-O(5)#3	2.147(8)	
Co(1)-O(8)#2	2.124(6)	
Co(2)-O(2)#5	2.100(7)	
Co(2)-O(3)	2.079(7)	
Co(2)-O(4)	2.108(5)	
Co(2)-O(5)	2.095(6)	
Co(2)-O(6)	2.201(8)	
Co(2)-O(7)	2.164(8)	
O(1)#1-Co(1)-O(1)	89.1(3)	
O(4)#2-Co(1)-O(1)	84.8(2)	
O(4)#2-Co(1)-O(5)#3	179.3(4)	
O(4)#2-Co(1)-O(8)#4	95.4(2)	
O(5)#3-Co(1)-O(1)	95.6(3)	
O(8)#2-Co(1)-O(1)	179.7(4)	
O(8)#4-Co(1)-O(1)	90.73(18)	
O(8)#4-Co(1)-O(1)#1	179.7(4)	
O(8)#4-Co(1)-O(5)#3	84.1(3)	
O(8)#4-Co(1)-O(8)#2	89.4(4)	
O(2)#5-Co(2)-O(4)	96.0(3)	
O(2)#5-Co(2)-O(6)	89.6(4)	

O(2)#5-Co(2)-O(7)	84.4(4)
O(3)-Co(2)-O(2)#5	169.0(2)
O(3)-Co(2)-O(4)	92.6(3)
O(3)-Co(2)-O(5)	92.5(3)
O(3)-Co(2)-O(6)	82.0(3)
O(3)-Co(2)-O(7)	88.6(3)
O(4)-Co(2)-O(6)	174.2(3)
O(4)-Co(2)-O(7)	91.0(3)
O(5)-Co(2)-O(2)#5	94.8(3)
O(5)-Co(2)-O(4)	86.91(16)
O(5)-Co(2)-O(6)	91.1(3)
O(5)-Co(2)-O(7)	177.7(3)
O(7)-Co(2)-O(6)	91.0(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x,-y+1,z #2 x-1/2,y+1/2,z #3 x-1/2,y+1/2,z-1 #4 x-1/2,-y+1/2,z #5 x+1/2,-y+1/2,z+1