## Electronic Supporting Information

# Highly selective $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ capture and magnetic properties of robust Co-chain based metal-organic framework 

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## Scheme S1 The scheme for the synthesis of $H_{4} \mathrm{~L}$.


(1) 2,6-di(2',5'-dicarboxylphenyl)pyridine ( $\mathbf{H}_{4} \mathrm{~L}$ )

2,6-dibromopyridine ( $2.37 \mathrm{~g}, 10.00 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), (2,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)boronic $\operatorname{acid}(5.24 \mathrm{~g}, 22.00 \mathrm{mmol}), \mathrm{Pd}\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)_{4}(0.58 \mathrm{~g}, 0.50 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(6.64 \mathrm{~g}, 48.00$ mmol ) were mixed in a 250 mL Schlenk flask. After vacuumized and refilled with $\mathrm{N}_{2}$ for three times, toluene-ethanol-water ( $60 \mathrm{ml}, 30 \mathrm{ml}, 30 \mathrm{ml}$ ) was added. The mixture was stirred at $75^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 18 h and then cooled to room temperature. After removing the organic phase under vacuum, dichloromethane $(150 \mathrm{~mL})$ and $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(75 \mathrm{~mL})$ were added. The organic phase was separated and then the aqueous phase was extracted three times with dichloromethane $(100 \times 3 \mathrm{~mL})$. The combined organic phases were washed with saturated brine, dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$. After removing the organic solvent by rotary evaporation, the residue was purified by column chromatography with dichloromethane/ethyl acetate $(3 / 1, \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v})$ as eluent to obtain white solid product ( 3.84 g , $83.0 \%$ yield). $3.84 \mathrm{~g}(8.30 \mathrm{mmol})$ 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 $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 6 h and the THF was removed in vacuum. Concentrated hydrochloric acid was added to the remaining aqueous solution until the solution became acidic ( $\mathrm{pH}=2 \sim 3$ ). The solid was collected by filtration, washed several times with distilled water, and dried under vacuum to give white solid product ( $3.09 \mathrm{~g}, 91 \%$ yield). ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded on 500 MHz spectrometer. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{4} \mathrm{Si}(\mathrm{TMS})$ at $\delta 0.00$ or to the signal of the residual protonated solvent: $\left(\mathrm{CD}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{SO}$ $\delta 2.50 .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR chemical shifts were determined relative to internal TMS at $\delta 0.0$.
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \operatorname{NMR}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 13.21(\mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 8.17(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 8.06(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.5$,
$8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.96(\mathrm{t}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.83(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.61(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;$
${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 169.4,166.9,157.0,140.4,137.6,137.2,133.2,131.1$, 129.8, 129.5, 122.3.





Fig. S1 The bridging mode of $\mathrm{L}^{4-}$ in $\mathbf{1}$.


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


Fig. $\mathbf{S 3}$ 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

(a)


Fig. S6 $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{2}$ (a), $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ (b), and $\mathrm{CH}_{4}$ (c) adsorption isotherms of 1a with fitting by L-F model.

(a)

(b)

Fig. S7 $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{2}\left(\right.$ a) and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ (b) adsorption isotherms for $\mathbf{1 a}$ with fitting by Virial 2 model.


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


Fig. S9 Coordination polyhedra of Co 1 and Co 2 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 $\mathbf{1}$.

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


| $\mathrm{O}(2) \# 5-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $84.4(4)$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2) \# 5$ | $169.0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $92.6(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(5)$ | $92.5(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $82.0(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $88.6(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $174.2(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $91.0(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(2) \# 5$ | $94.8(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(4)$ | $86.91(16)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $91.1(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(5)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(7)$ | $177.7(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}(7)-\mathrm{Co}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)$ | $91.0(2)$ |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:
$\# 1 \mathrm{x},-\mathrm{y}+1, \mathrm{z} \quad \# 2 \mathrm{x}-1 / 2, \mathrm{y}+1 / 2, \mathrm{z} \quad \# 3 \mathrm{x}-1 / 2, \mathrm{y}+1 / 2, \mathrm{z}-1$
$\# 4 \mathrm{x}-1 / 2,-\mathrm{y}+1 / 2, \mathrm{z} \quad \# 5 \mathrm{x}+1 / 2,-\mathrm{y}+1 / 2, \mathrm{z}+1$

