Supplementary Material

for

Interconnected Water Channels and Isolated Hydrophobic Cavities in a Calixarene-Based, Nanoporous Supramolecular Architecture**

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Thermal analysis

DSC measurements were run on a TA 2920 calorimeter, samples of **3** (approximately 6 mg) were sealed in aluminium pans and heated at a rate of 1°C/min under purified N_2 flow. TGA measurements were performed on a Mettler TG50 analyzer under purified N_2 flow heating at 0.5 °C/min.



Figure S1. TGA curve of a crystalline sample of **3**, showing the weight loss due to the release of water from the channels (heating rate 0.5° C/min purified N₂ flow).



Figure S2. DSC profile of a sample of 3 showing the melting of the crystal.

X-ray powder diffraction and Rietveld Analysis

Crystalline powder samples were obtained from a solution of **3** in CHCl₃ and ethyl acetate. 0.3 mm Lindemann capillaries were filled in air with the as prepared crystalline powder. 15 mg of crystalline powders were treated at 50°C in vacuum for 8 h and stored in a dry box under N₂ atmosphere. 0.3 mm Lindemann capillaries were filled with the dried samples and sealed in a dry box under nitrogen atmosphere. X-ray powder diffraction profiles have been recorded using CuK α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5418$ Å) by means of a Bruker D8 diffractometer equipped with a Goebel mirror. Data reduction was performed using the program GUFI.^[1] The background was modelled manually using GUFI. Rietveld refinement was accomplished with the program GSAS.^[2] The peak-profile was described by a pseudo-Voigt function, in combination with a special function that accounts for the asymmetry due to axial divergence.^[3] No absorption correction was applied to the data. The atomic parameters were taken from the structure model obtained from the single crystal X-ray diffraction data and were not refined. The refined lattice paramater is *a*= 36.239(2) Å. Final indices are R_p=0.053, wR_p=0.072.

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Figure S1. Scattered intensity of calixarene compound 3 as a function of the diffraction angle 2 θ . Shown are the observed (red) and calculated X-ray powder diffraction pattern (green). The difference curve between observed and calculated profiles (magenta) and reflection markers (vertical bars).

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