Coordination-induced spontaneous resolution of a TPPE-based MOF

and its use as crystalline sponge for guest determination

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1. Materials and General Procedures

All the chemicals are commercially available, and used without further purification. The IR (KBr pellet) spectra were recorded (400-4000 cm⁻¹ region) on a Nicolet Magna 750 FT-IR spectrometer. The CD spectra were recorded on a J-800 spectropolarimeter (Jasco, Japan). Thermogravimetric analyses (TGA) were carried out in an N₂ atmosphere with a heating rate of 10 °C/min on a STA449C integration thermal analyzer. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) data were collected on a Bruker D8 Advance diffractometer using Cu K α radiation. The calculated PXRD patterns were produced using the SHELXTL-XPOW program and single crystal reflection data. CO₂ adsorption isotherms were measured using a Micrometritics ASAP 2020 surface area analyzer at 195 K. Before the adsorption measurement, the samples were exchanged with acetone for 4 times (6 h for each time) and then degassed on ASAP 2020 for 10 h at 60 °C.

X-ray Crystallography. All the single-crystal XRD data were collected on a Bruker SMART Apex II CCD-based X-ray diffractometer with Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) at 298 K. The empirical absorption correction was applied by using the SADABS program (G. M. Sheldrick, SADABS, program for empirical absorption correction of area detector data; University of Götingen, Götingen, Germany, 1996). The structures were solved using direct method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares on F^2 by the SHELXTL-2014 software package. Crystal data and details of the data collection are given in **Tables S1-S3**. CCDC 2071852-2071865 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. The data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

2. Synthesis

The TPPE ligand was synthesized according to the reported procedures (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 16209–16215)

2.1 Synthesis of 1: A mixture of $Co(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ (15.0 mg, 0.05 mmol), TPPE (31.4 mg, 0.05 mmol), DMF (3 mL), EtOH (0.75 mL) and 10 drops of HCl aqueous solution (v/v = 1/10) in a capped vial were heated at 100 °C for 6 hours. Saffron yellow crystals of **1** (89% yield) were filtered, washed with EeOH and Et₂O respectively, and dried at room temperature.

2.2 Synthesis of host-guest structures: Fresh prepared crystals of **1** were exchanged thoroughly with anhydrous acetone and then evacuated at 60 °C for 2 hours. The guest-free crystals of **1** were immersed into H_2O and anhydrous DMF, EtOH, Acetone, 2-butanol, and 2-butylamine respectively for at least 24 hours.

Identification Code	1M	1P	Evacuated 1P
Empirical formula	$\mathrm{C}_{58}\mathrm{H}_{60}\mathrm{Cl}_{2}\mathrm{Co}\mathrm{N}_{8}\mathrm{O}_{4}$	$C_{58}H_{60}Cl_2CoN_8O_4$	$C_{46}H_{32}Cl_2CoN_4$
Formula weight	1062.97	1062.97	770.58
Temperature (K)	298.0	298.0	298.0
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>I</i> 222	<i>I</i> 222	<i>I</i> 222

3. Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement

Unit cell dimensions	$a = 11.903(5)$ Å $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 11.710(5) \text{ Å} a = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 11.969(14) \text{ Å} a = 90^{\circ}$	
	$b = 14.551(5) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$	$b = 14.344(5) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$	$b = 14.578(16) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$	
	$c = 17.057(5) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$c = 17.216(5) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$c = 17.092(20) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	
Volume (Å ³), Z	2954.3(18), 2	2891.7(18), 2 2982(6), 2		
Density (calculated)	1.195	1.221	0.858	
(mg/m ³)				
Absorption	0.430	0.440	0.402	
coefficient (mm ⁻¹)				
<i>F</i> (000)	1114	1114	794	
Reflections collected	7396 / 3397	7382 / 3263	5381 / 3288	
/ unique				
Completeness to	25.240, 99.7%	25.240, 98.9%	25.242, 99.4%	
theta				
R _{int}	0.0315	0.0351	0.0454	
<i>R_{int}</i> Refinement method	0.0315 Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	0.0351 Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	0.0454 Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	
Refinement method Data / restraints /	0.0315 Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ^2 3397 / 12 / 145	0.0351 Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ^2 3263 / 16 / 145	0.0454 Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ^2 3288 / 0 / 122	
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R_{int} Refinement methodData / restraints /parametersGoodness-of-fit on F^2 Final R indices[I>2sigma(I)]R indices (all data)Absolute structure	0.0315 Full-matrix least-squares on F^2 3397 / 12 / 145 0.953 $R_1 = 0.0628, wR_2 = 0.1807$ $R_1 = 0.0771, wR_2 = 0.1990$ 0.048(15)	0.0351 Full-matrix least-squares on F^2 3263 / 16 / 145 1.154 $R_1 = 0.0650, wR_2 = 0.1846$ $R_1 = 0.0779, wR_2 = 0.1960$ 0.051(16)	0.0454 Full-matrix least-squares on F^2 3288 / 0 / 122 0.916 $R_1 = 0.0450, wR_2 = 0.1200$ $R_1 = 0.0635, wR_2 = 0.1309$ 0.08(2)	
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Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement

Identification Code	1M-DMF	1P-H ₂ O	1P-EtOH	
Empirical formula	C ₅₈ H ₆₀ Cl ₂ Co N ₈ O ₄	C ₄₆ H ₄₀ Cl ₂ Co N ₄ O ₄	C ₅₄ H ₅₆ Cl ₂ Co N ₄ O ₄	
Formula weight	1062.97	842.65	954.85	
Temperature (K)	298.0	298.0	298.0	
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	
Space group	1222	1222	<i>I</i> 222	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 11.907(3)$ Å $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 11.926(5) \text{ Å} a = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 12.234(5) \text{ Å} a = 90^{\circ}$	
	$b = 14.568(3) \text{ Å} \beta = 90^{\circ}$	$b = 14.364(5) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$	$b = 14.694(5) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$	
	$c = 16.881(4) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$c = 17.229(5) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$c = 16.978(5) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	
Volume (Å ³), Z	2928.1(11), 2	2951(2), 2	3052.1(19), 2	

Density (calculated)	1.206	0.948 1.039		
(mg/m^3)				
Absorption	0.434	0.415 0.408		
coefficient (mm ⁻¹)				
<i>F</i> (000)	1114	874 1002		
Reflections collected	7324 / 3350	11691 / 3444	7970 / 3533	
/ unique				
Completeness to	25.242, 98.8%	25.242, 99.9%	25.240, 99.1%	
theta				
R _{int}	0.0369	0.0978	0.0570	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	
Data / restraints /	3350 / 34 / 167	3444 / 4 / 131	3533 / 3 / 138	
parameters				
Goodness-of-fit on	1.072	0.968	1.091	
F ²				
Final R indices	$R_1 = 0.0596, wR_2 = 0.1683$	$R_1 = 0.0749, wR_2 = 0.1974$	$R_1 = 0.0845, wR_2 = 0.2357$	
[I>2sigma(I)]				
R indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0846, wR_2 = 0.2031$	$R_1 = 0.1293, wR_2 = 0.2261$	$R_1 = 0.1351, wR_2 = 0.2692$	
Absolute structure	0.116(17)	0.08(2)	0.07(2)	
parameter				
Largest diff. peak	0.602 and -0.469	2.159 and -0.511	0.850 and -0.571	
and hole (e.Å ⁻³)				

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement

Identification Code	1P-Acetone	1P-(S)-2-butanol	1P-(S)-2-butylamine
Empirical formula	C ₅₈ H ₅₆ Cl ₂ Co N ₄ O ₄	C ₆₂ H ₇₂ Cl ₂ Co N ₄ O ₄	C ₆₂ H ₇₆ Cl ₂ Co N ₈
Formula weight	1002.89	1067.06	1063.13
Temperature (K)	298.0	298.0	298.0
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic	Orthorhombic
Space group	1222	<i>I</i> 222	<i>I</i> 222
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 11.997(4) \text{ Å } \alpha = 90^{\circ}$ $b = 14.189(5) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$ $c = 17.245(5) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 12.130(5) \text{ Å } \alpha = 90^{\circ}$ $b = 14.882(7) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$ $c = 16.881(7) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$	$a = 11.8964(16) \text{ Å } a = 90^{\circ}$ $b = 14.5101(19) \text{ Å } \beta = 90^{\circ}$ $c = 17.098(2) \text{ Å } \gamma = 90^{\circ}$
Volume (Å ³), Z	2935.3(16), 2	3047(2), 2	2951.4(7), 2
Density (calculated) (mg/m ³)	1.135	1.163	1.196
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	0.428	0.416	0.426
F(000)	1050	1130	1130

Reflections collected	4618 / 2141	5210 / 2377	6820 / 3363
/ unique			
Completeness to	23.755, 98.3%	24.191, 98.1%	25.242, 99.8 %
theta			
R _{int}	0.0388	0.0519	0.0293
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2
Data / restraints /	2141 / 5 / 142	2377 / 9 / 138	3363 / 12 / 142
parameters			
Goodness-of-fit on	1.071	1.043	1.065
F ²			
Final R indices	$R_1 = 0.0516, wR_2 = 0.1405$	$R_1 = 0.0648, wR_2 = 0.1717$	$R_1 = 0.0590, wR_2 = 0.1737$
[I>2sigma(I)]			
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	$R_1 = 0.0678, wR_2 = 0.1568$	$R_1 = 0.0944, wR_2 = 0.1924$	$R_1 = 0.0784, wR_2 = 0.1899$
Absolute structure	0.05(2)	0.06(3)	0.015(14)
parameter			
Largest diff. peak	0.599 and -0.309	0.489 and -0.417	0.833 and -0.420
and hole (e.Å ⁻³)			

4. Figures S1-S5. Additional X-ray crystallographic structures

4.1. Figure S1. The asymmetric unit of 1M (left) and 1P(right)



4.2. Figure S2. The 2D sql net (left) and its ABAB stacking to form a 3D supramolecular net (right)



4.3. Figure S3. The unconventional Cl... π interaction between the 2D layers



4.4. Figure S4. The host-guest packing structures viewed from the a axis.



5. Table S4. The structure refinement parameters for 1 obtained from a statistical experiment to estimate the racemic character of 7 individual single crystals (3 Δ and 4 Λ forms).

Form	<i>R</i> int	<i>R</i> [I>2σ(I)]	S	Flack
				parameter
Δ (delta)	0.0358	0.0550	1.039	0.066(17)
Δ (delta)	0.0314	0.0438	1.106	0.083(13)
Δ (delta)	0.0276	0.0430	1.024	0.048(16)
Λ (lambda)	0.0248	0.0416	1.117	0.048(14)
Λ (lambda)	0.0166	0.0393	1.157	0.069(18)
Λ (lambda)	0.0611	0.0575	1.032	0.08(3)
Λ (lambda)	0.0264	0.0361	1.018	0.047(12)

6. Figure S5. PXRD patterns



7. Figure S6. IR spectra of pristine 1 (up) and guest-loaded materials (bottom)



8. Figure S7. TGA curves





9. Figure S8. CD spectra

