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Two-dimensional Cd₃-based metal–organic frameworks with halogen bonding sites for the uptake of I₂

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Materials	Solvent	Time (h)	Capacity (mg g ⁻¹)	Ref.
MIL-53-NH ₂	cyclohexane	48	170	1
MIL-101-NH ₂	cyclohexane	48	375	1
CAU-1	cyclohexane	48	300	1
ZIF-67@MCF	cyclohexane	10	1630	2
UiO-66-PYDC	cyclohexane	24	1250	3
Th-SINAP-8	cyclohexane	24	258	4
TMU-16-NH ₂	n-hexane	0.5	450	5
ZIF-8	n-hexane	24	900	6
ZIF-A61	n-hexane	24	1140	7
MOF 2	n-hexane	24	54.1	This Work

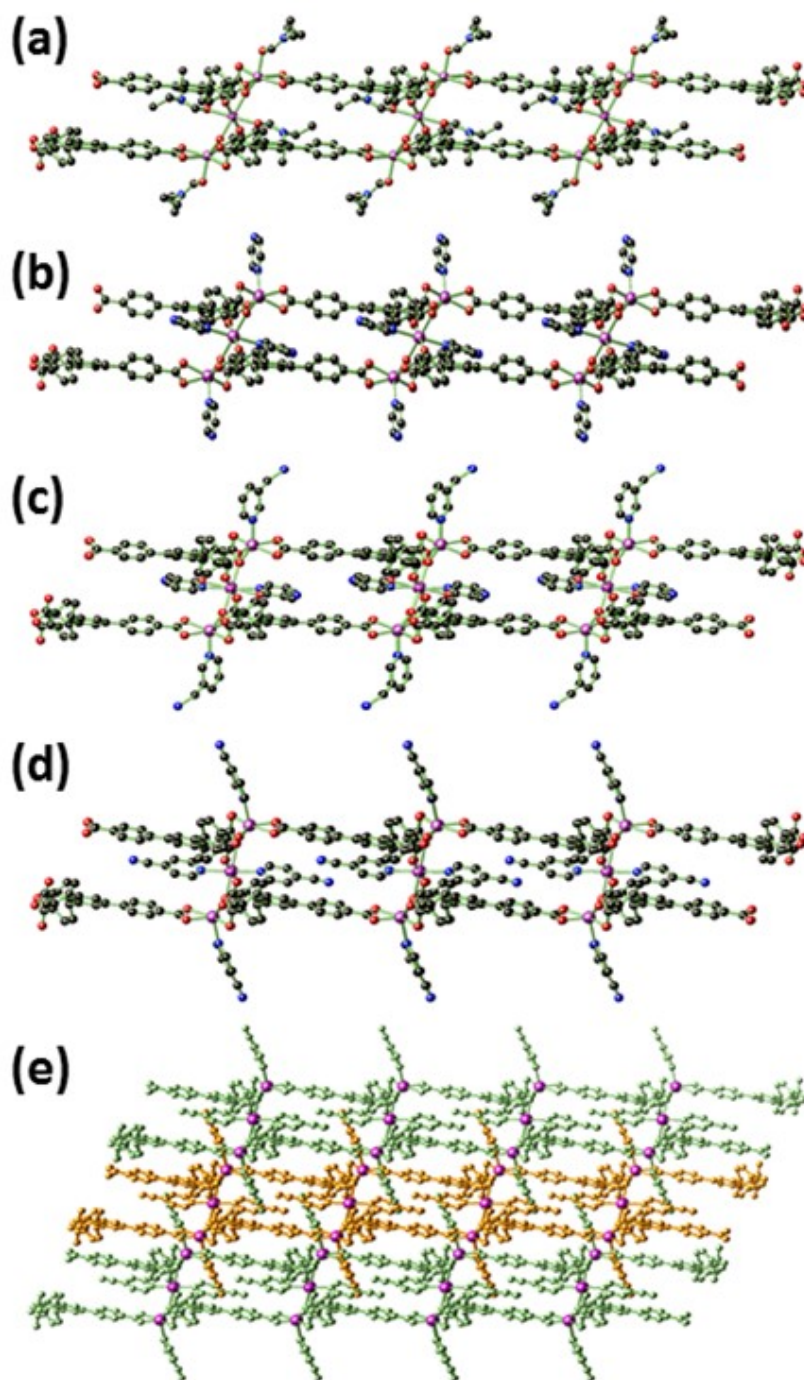


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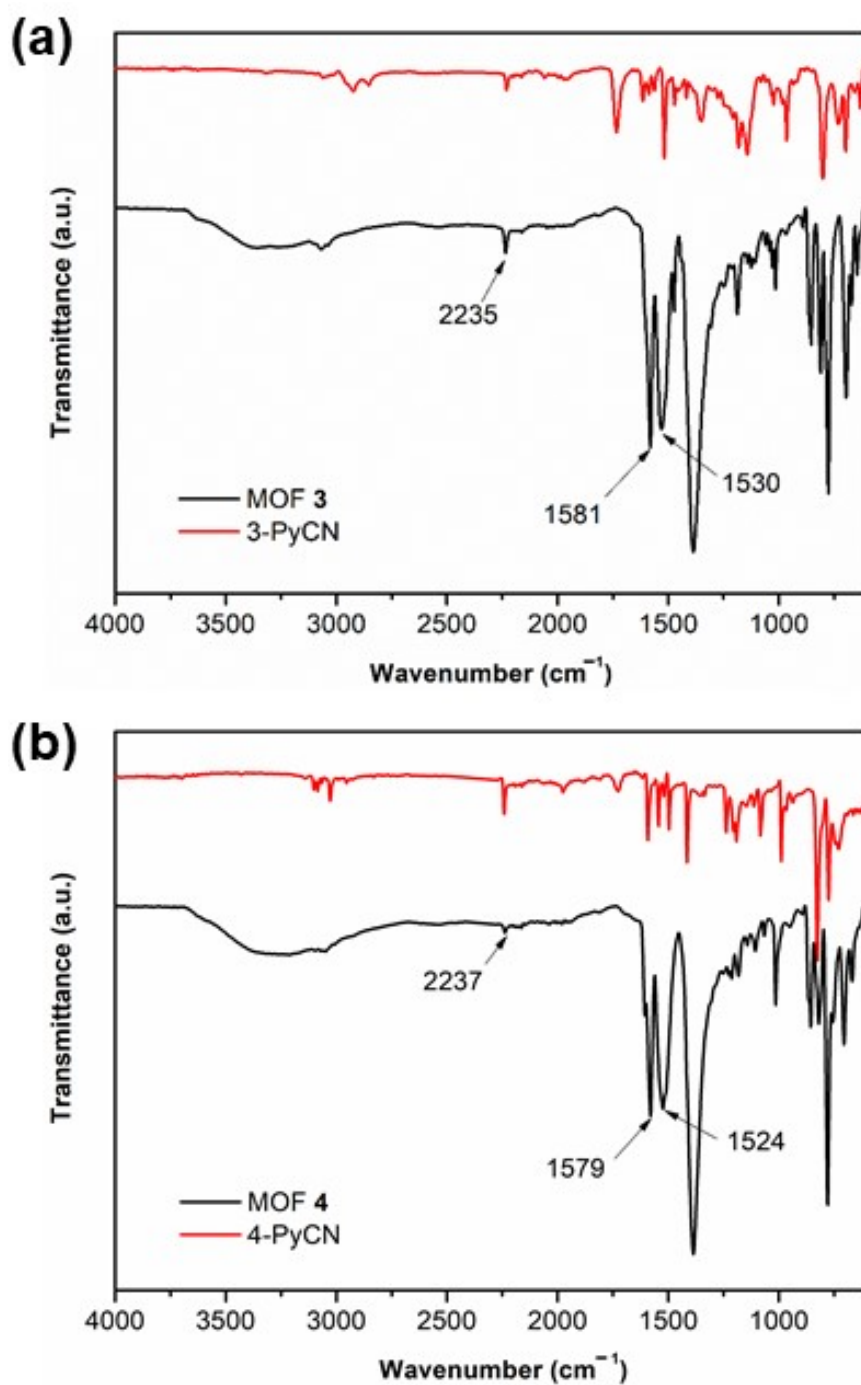
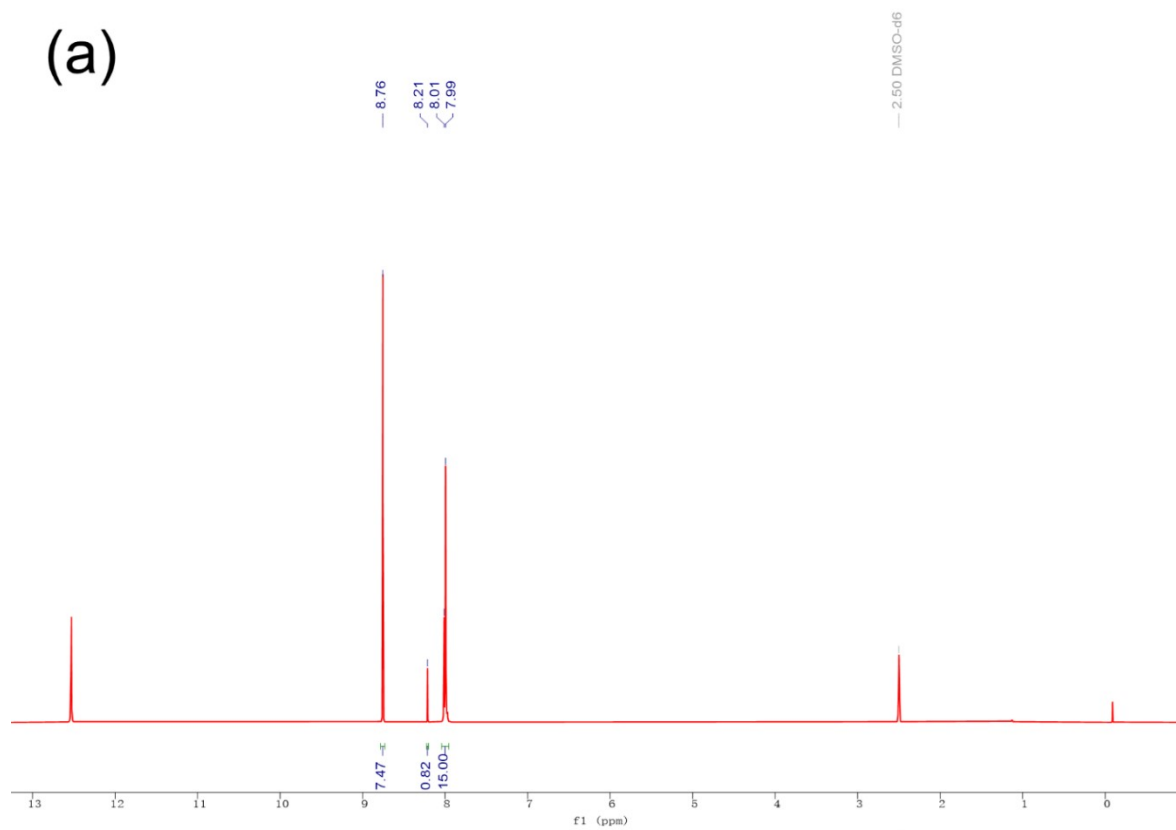
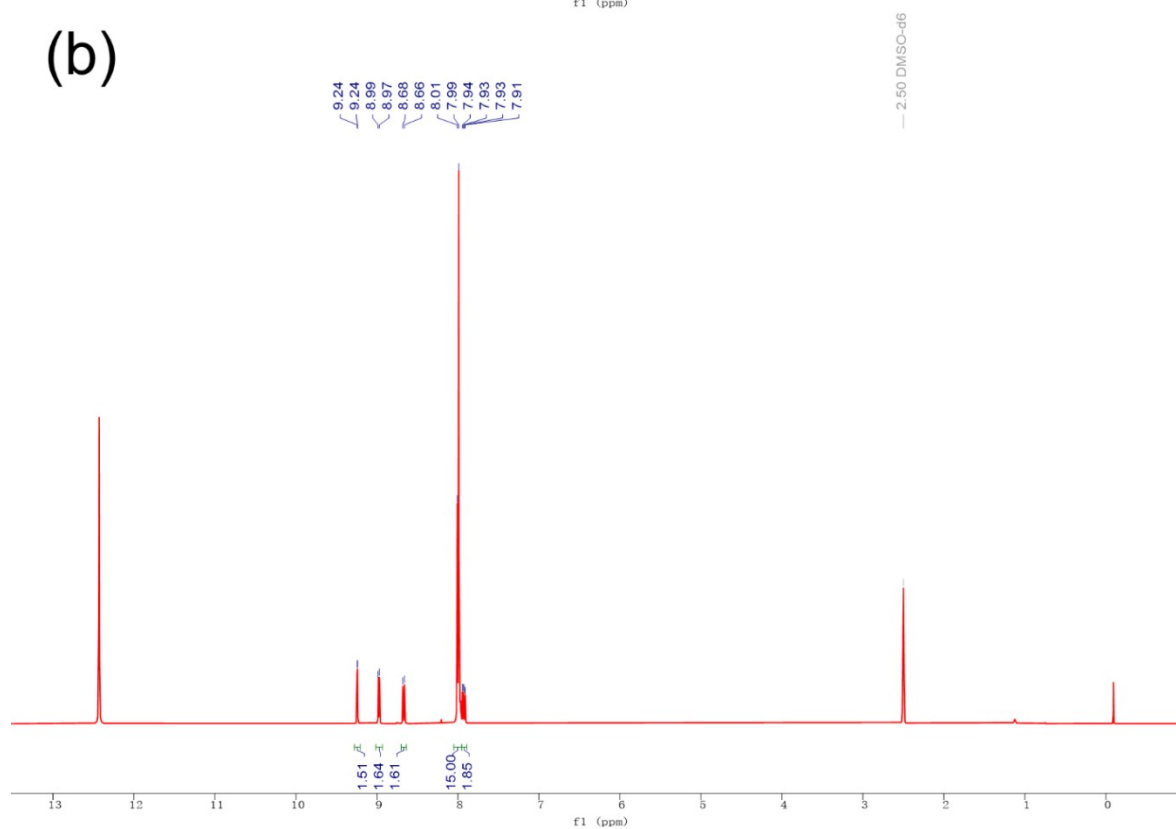


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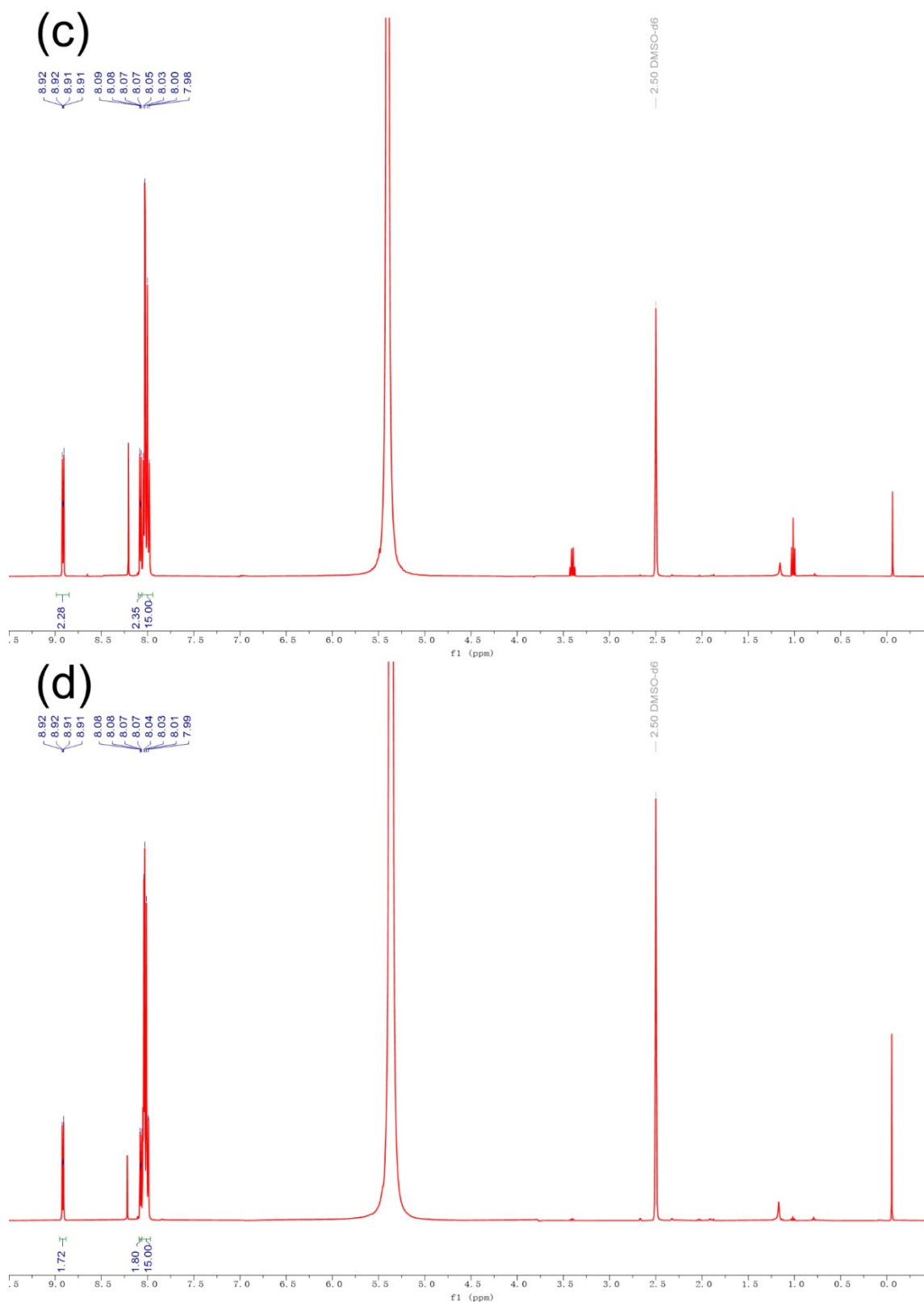


Fig. S3 ^1H NMR spectra of MOFs **2** (a), **3** (b), **4**_{30min} (c), and **4**_{120min} (d) in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ + 10% D_2SO_4 mix solvent. MOF **4**_{30min} and **4**_{120min} denote MOF **4** immersed into CHCl_3 for 30 min and 120 min, respectively.

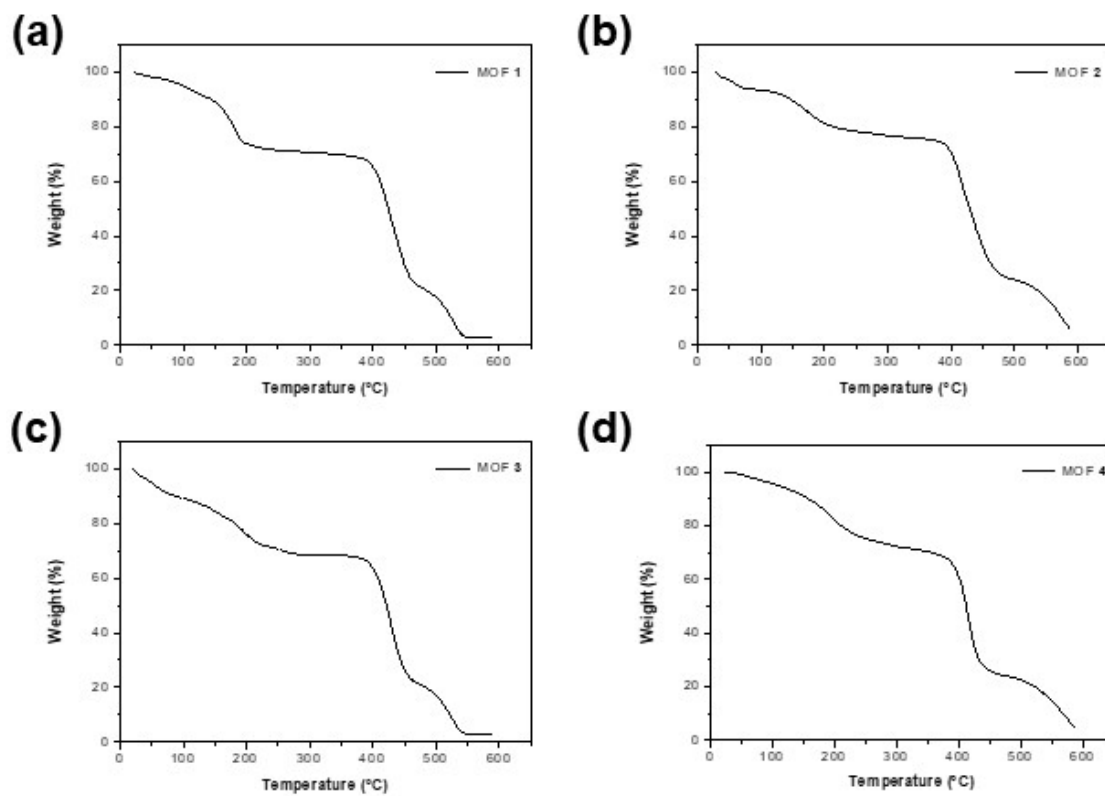


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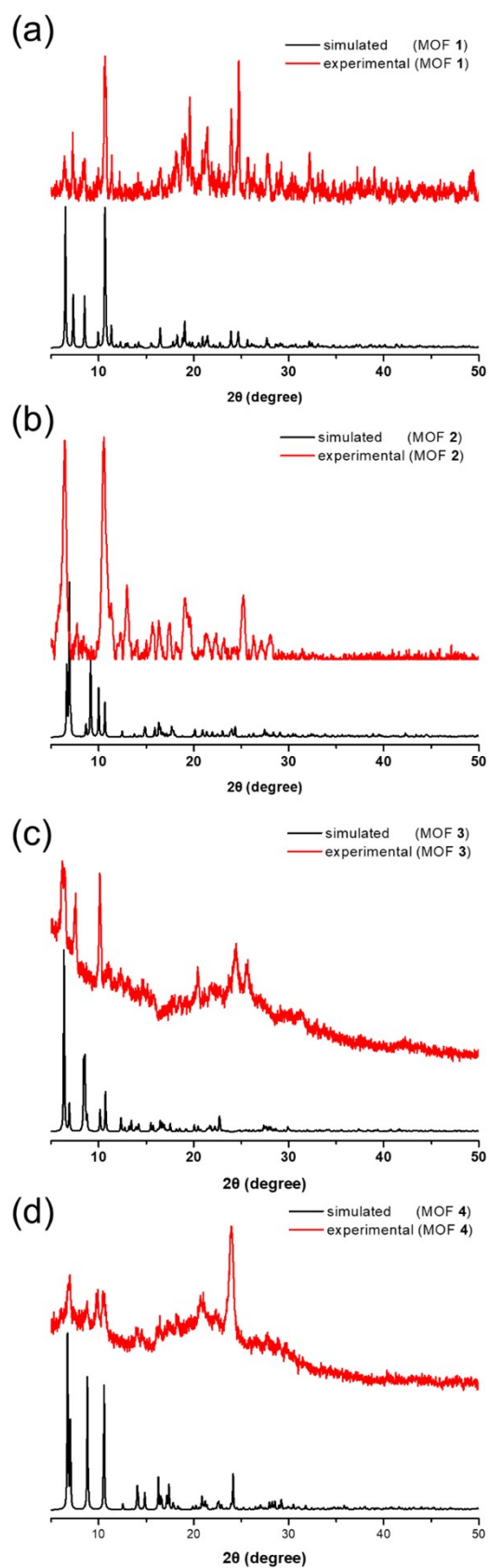


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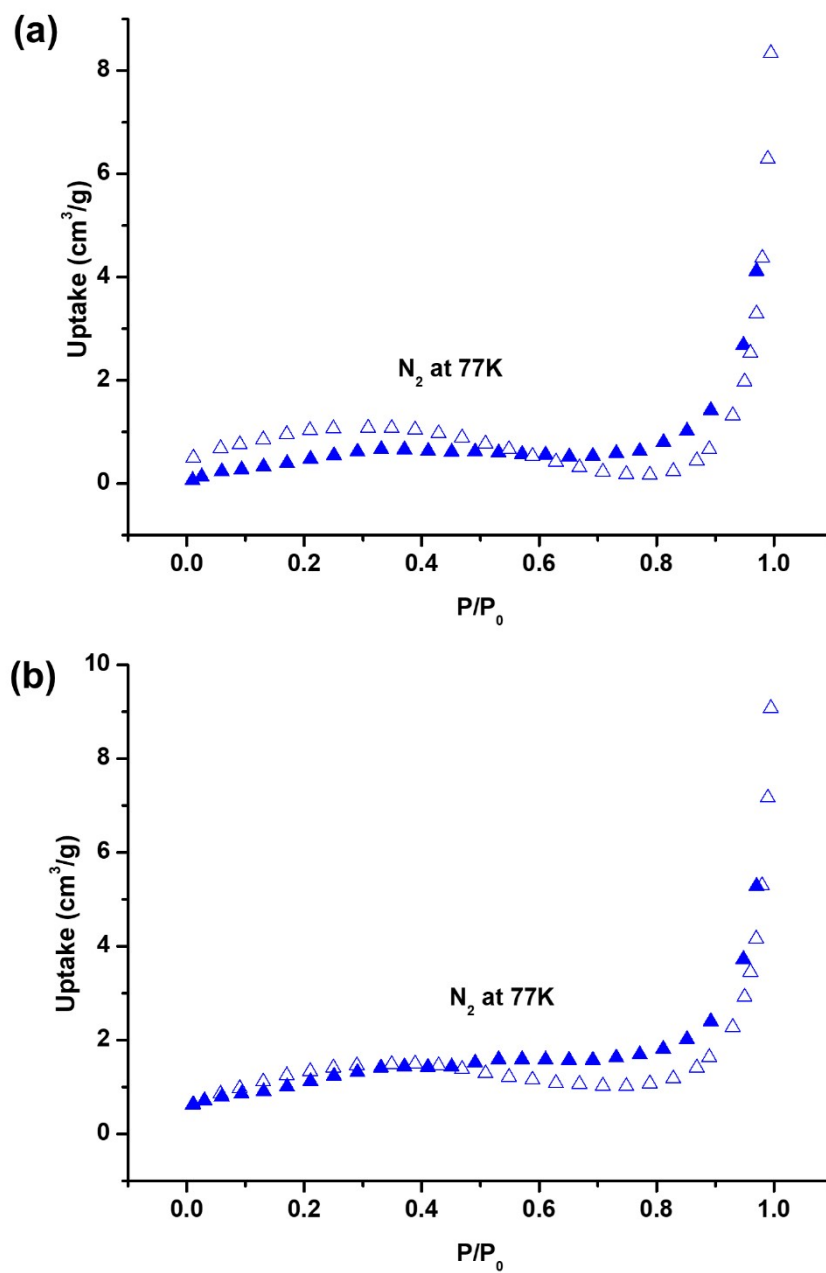


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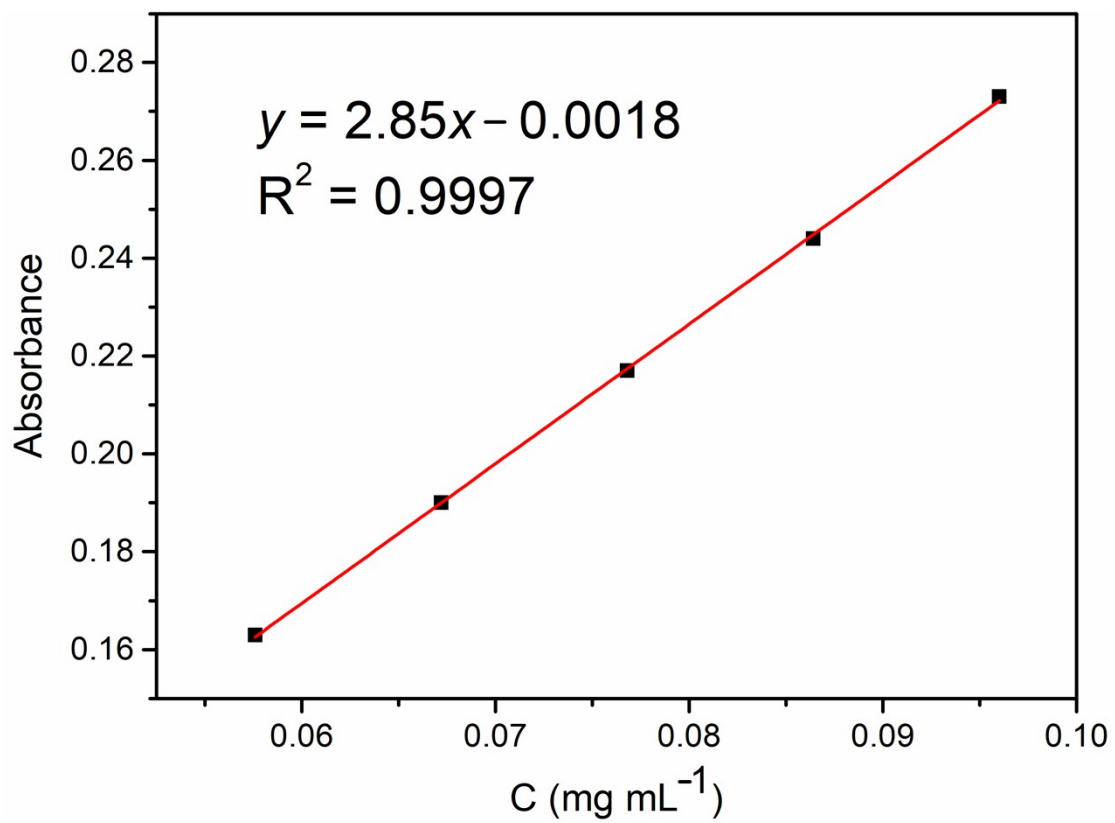


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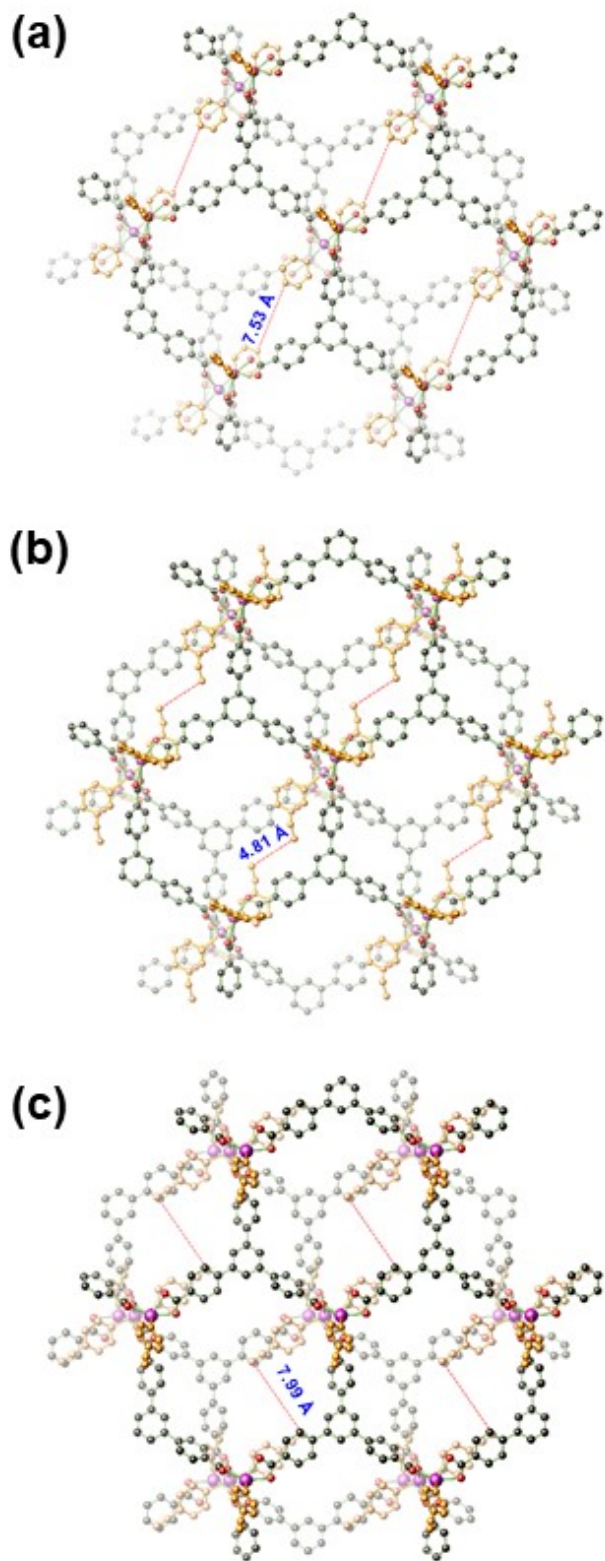


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