

## Supporting Information

# Halogen-modified Metal–Organic Frameworks for Efficient Separation of Alkane from Natural Gas

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## IAST adsorption selectivity

The selectivity of DMOF-X for CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> was calculated using the ideal adsorption solution theory. The adsorption selectivity is defined by the following equation:

$$S_{ads} = \frac{q_1/q_2}{p_1/p_2}$$

In the formula, q<sub>1</sub> and q<sub>2</sub> are the adsorption capacity of component 1 and component 2 at equilibrium, and p<sub>1</sub> and p<sub>2</sub> are the gas partial pressures of component 1 and component 2.

## Isosteric heat of adsorption

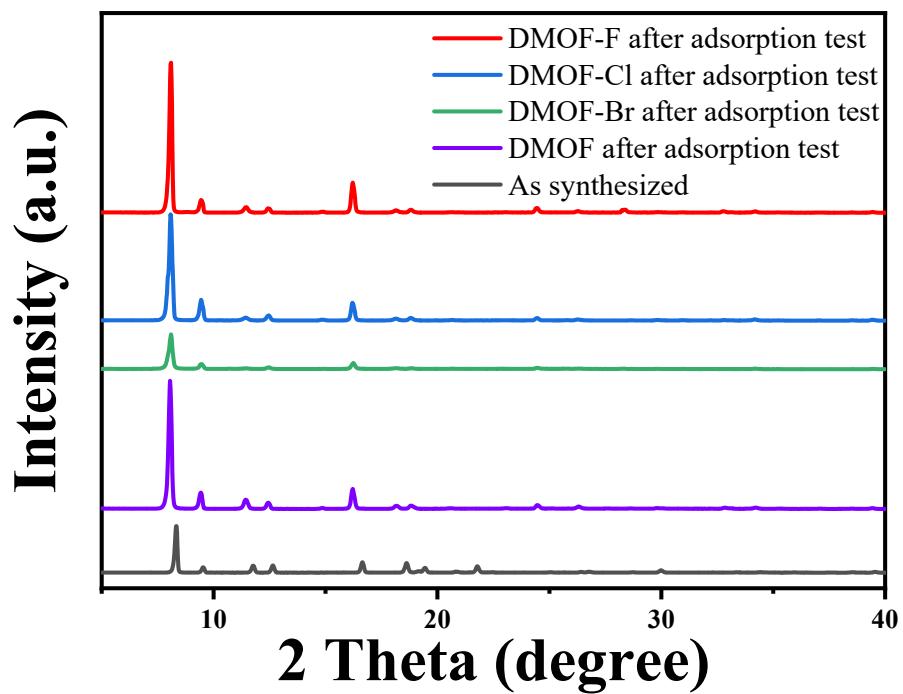
The adsorption enthalpies of CH<sub>4</sub>(at 273 and 298K), C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (at 273 and 298K) and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> (at 273 and 298K) on DMOF-X were calculated using the Virial method. The steps are as follows: First, calculate the empirical constant a<sub>i</sub> and b<sub>i</sub> based on the adsorption data at different temperatures, and then calculate it using the following equation:

$$\ln P = \ln N + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{i=0}^m a_i N^i + \sum_{i=0}^n b_i N^i$$

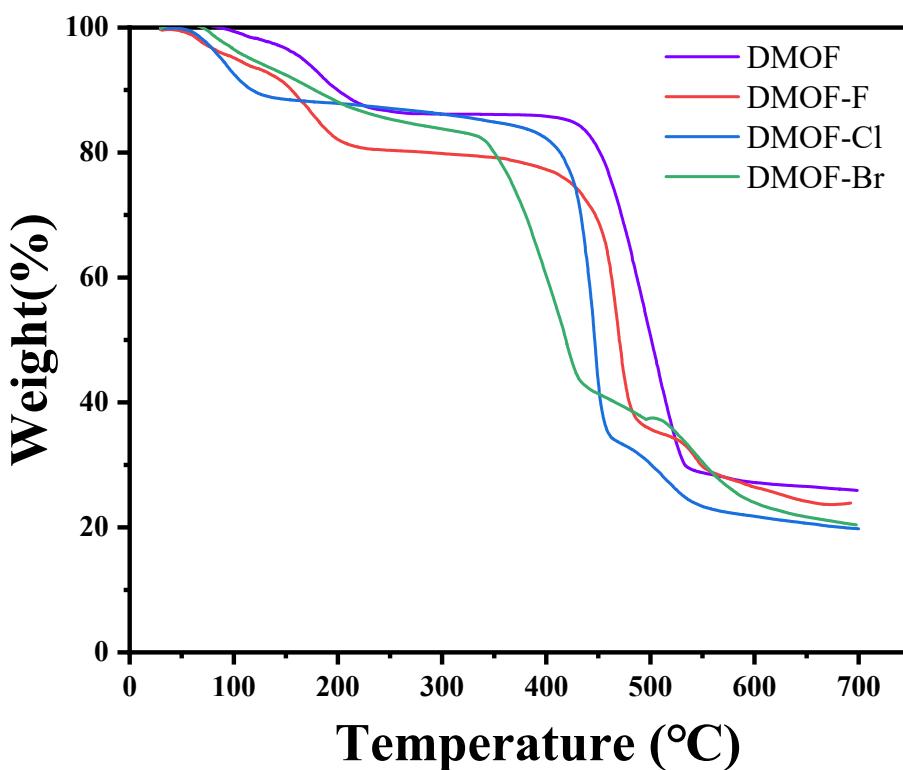
Among them, N is the gas intake (mg g<sup>-1</sup>), P is the pressure (mmHg), T is the temperature (K), a and b are empirical constants, m and n are the number of coefficients required to adequately describe the isotherm. Then the following expression evaluates Q<sub>st</sub>:

$$Q_{st} = -R \sum_{i=0}^m a_i N_i$$

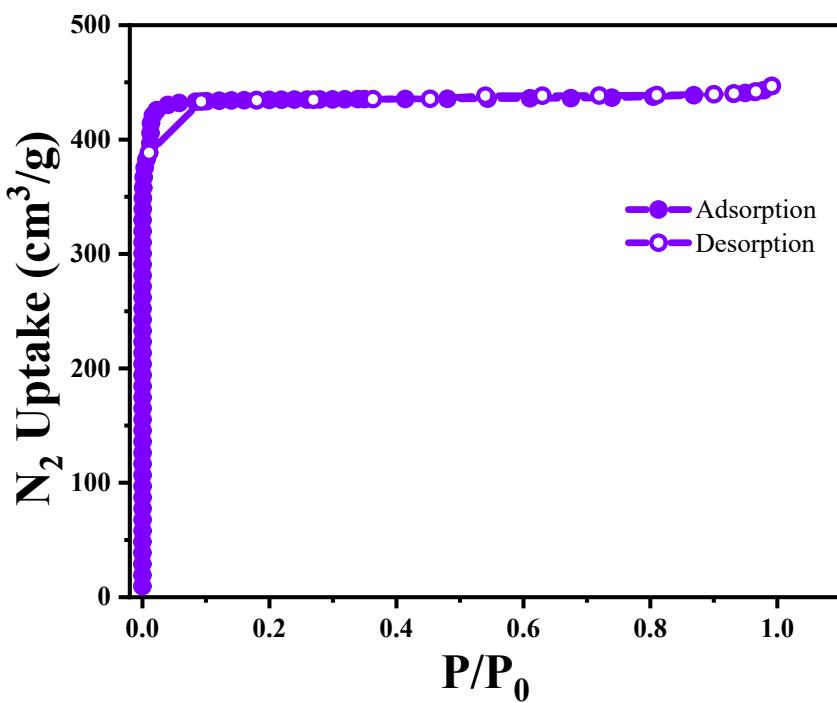
where R is the gas constant.



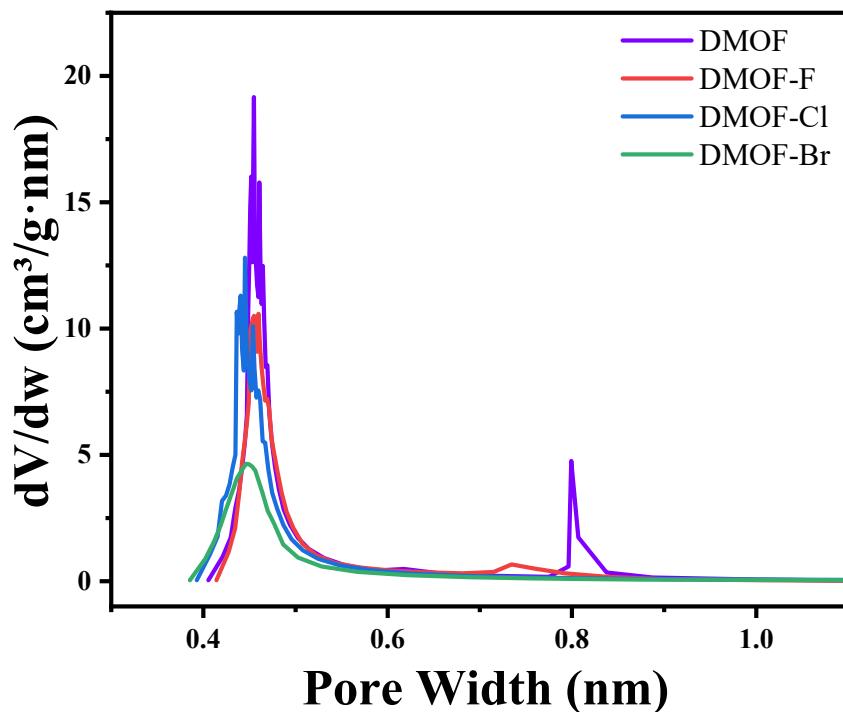
**Figure S1.** As-synthesized and after adsorbed PXRD patterns for DMOF-X.



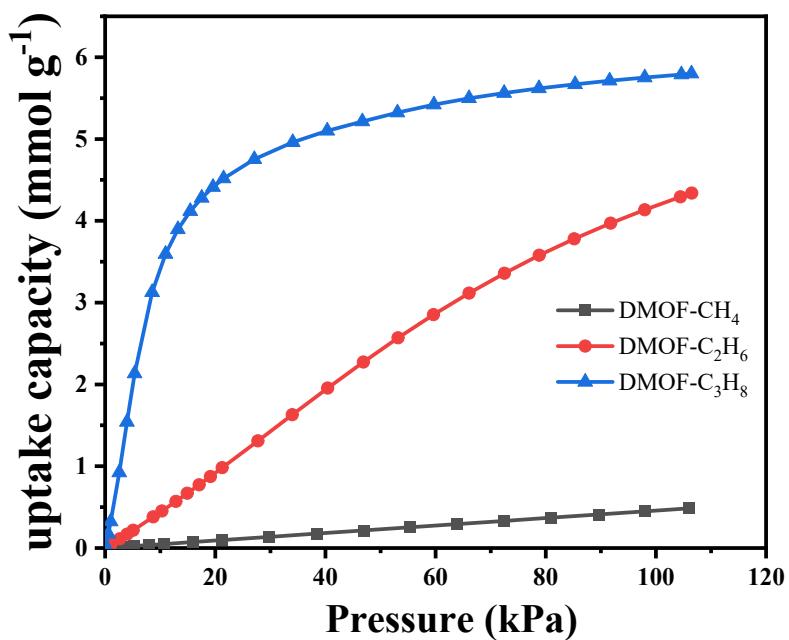
**Figure S2.** TGA curve of DMOF and DMOF-X under  $N_2$ .



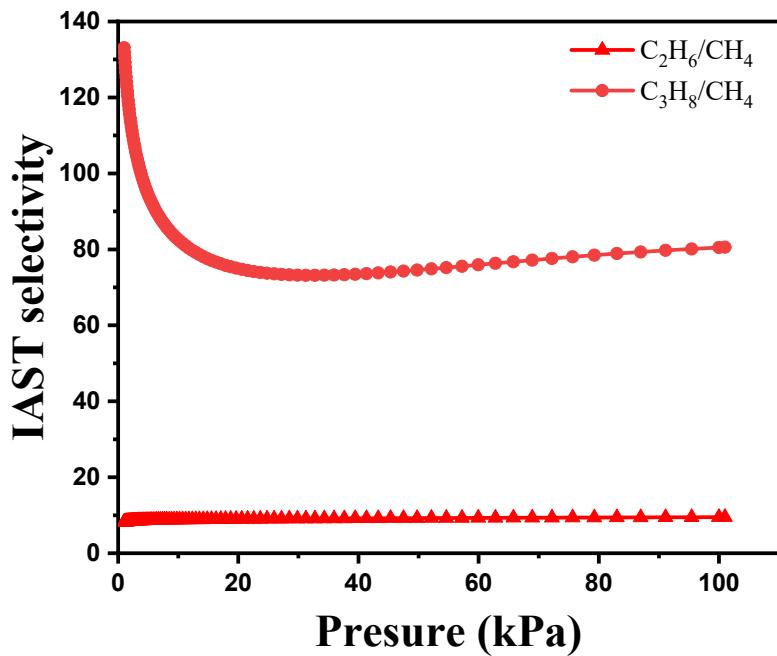
**Figure S3.** Nitrogen sorption isotherms at 77 K for DMOF.



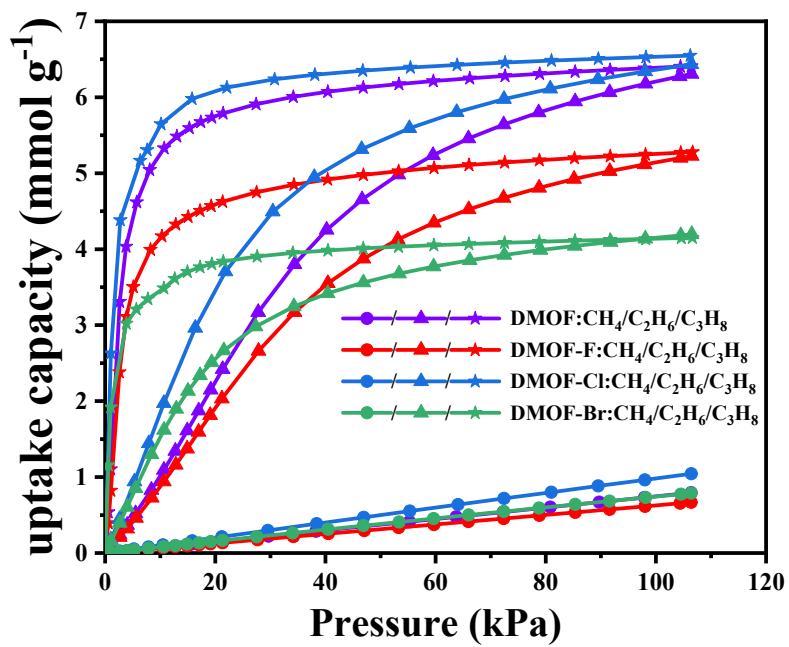
**Figure S4.** corresponding pore size distribution of DMOF-X calculated by DFT method.



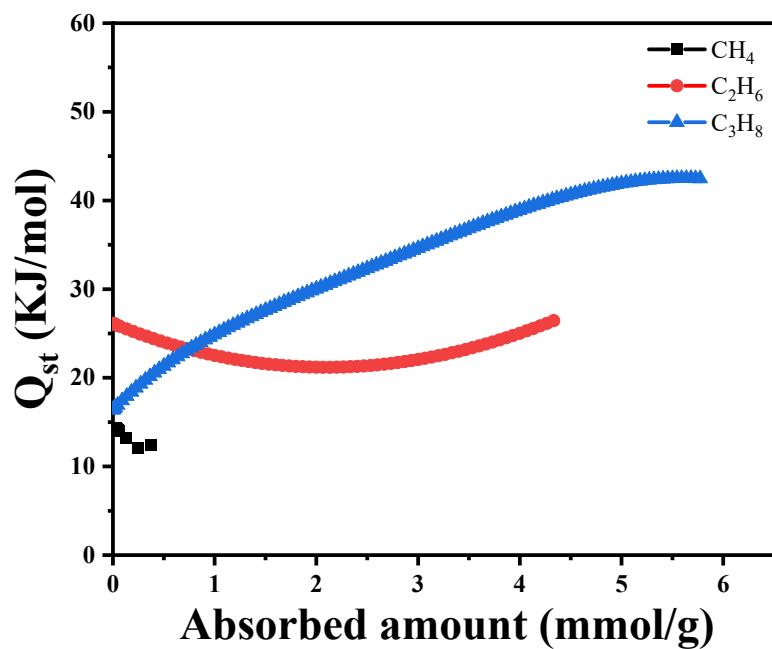
**Figure S5.** Single-component isotherms of CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> for DMOF at 298 K.



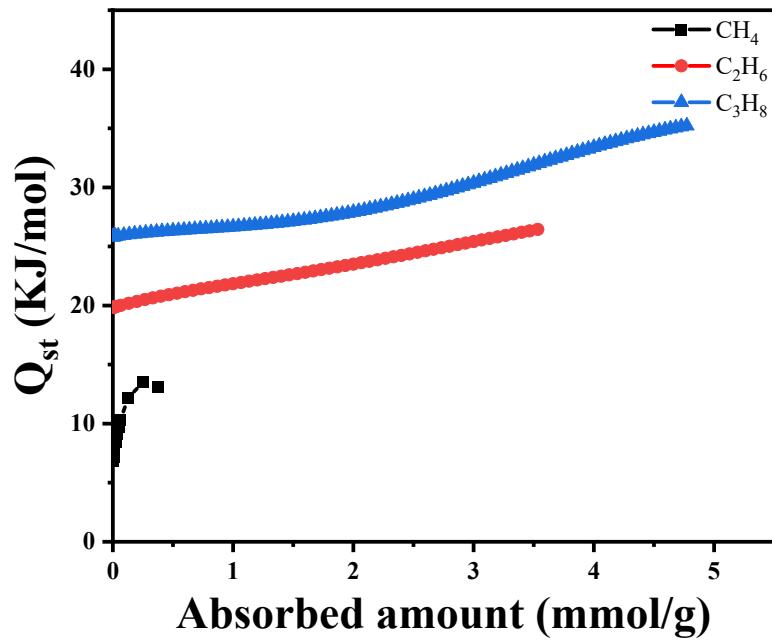
**Figure S6.** IAST selectivity of the DMOF.



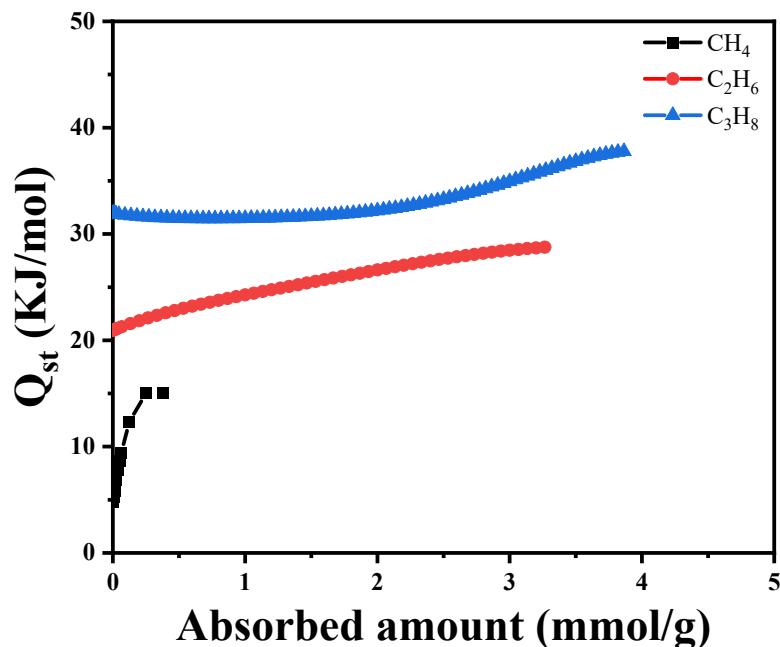
**Figure S7.** CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> adsorption isotherms of DMOF-X at 273 K.



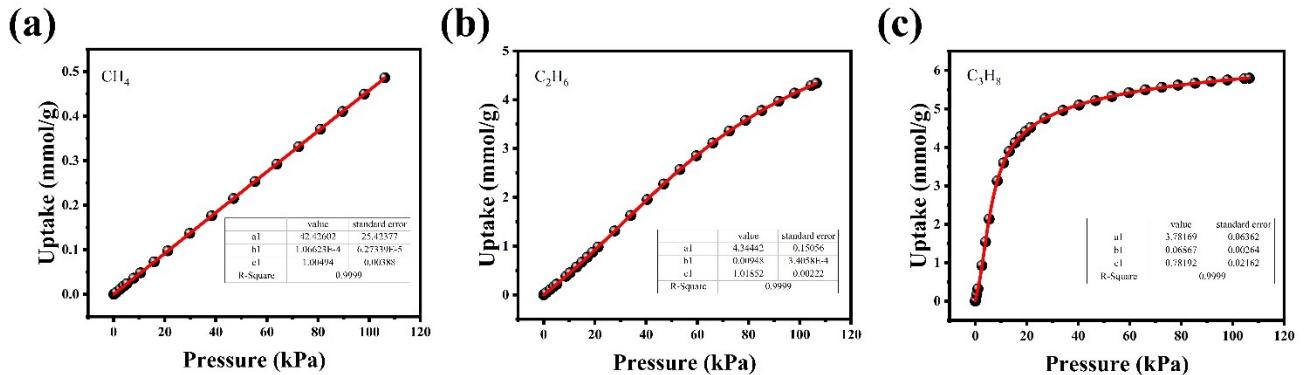
**Figure S8.** Isosteric heats of C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and CH<sub>4</sub> on DMOF.



**Figure S9.** Isosteric heats of  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ , and  $\text{CH}_4$  on DMOF-F.

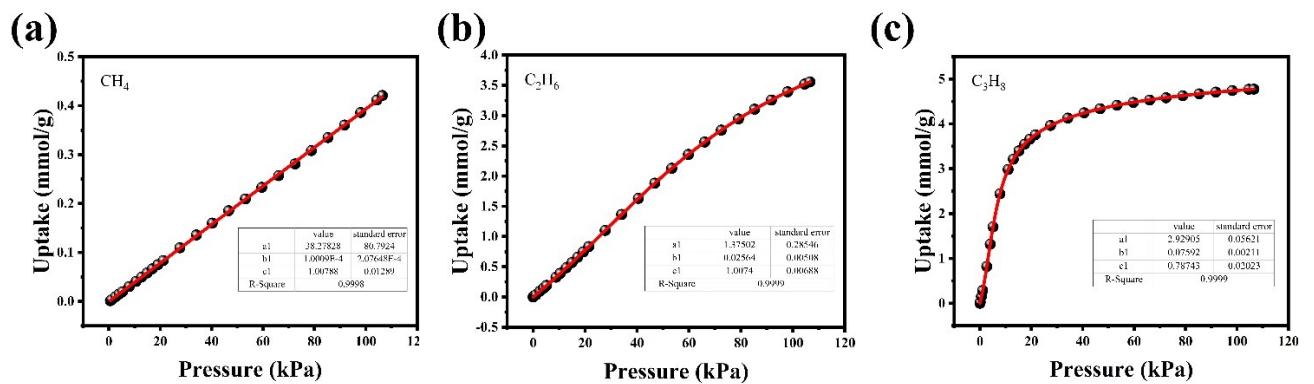


**Figure S10.** Isosteric heats of  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ , and  $\text{CH}_4$  on DMOF-Br.



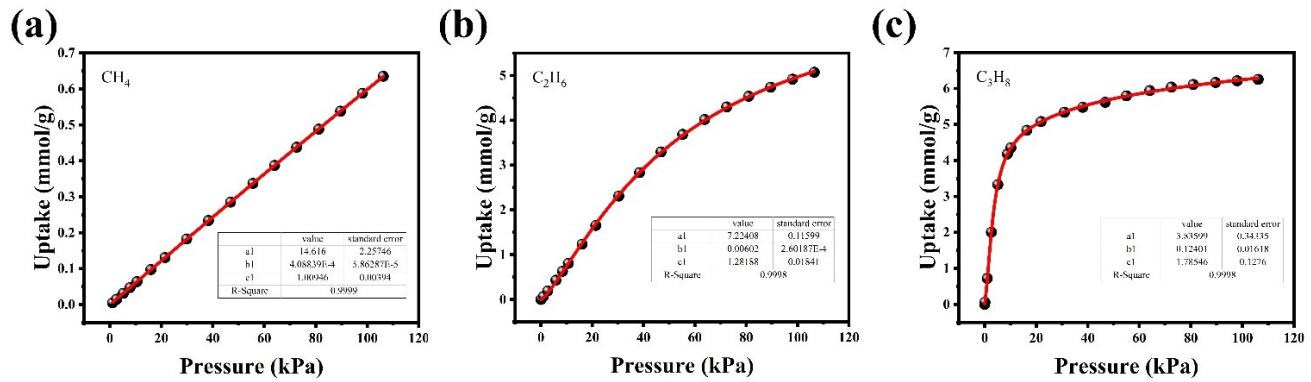
**Figure S11.** The fitting parameters for Single Sites Langmuir-Freundlich isotherms

model for DMOF at 298K (a)  $\text{CH}_4$  (b)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  (C)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ .



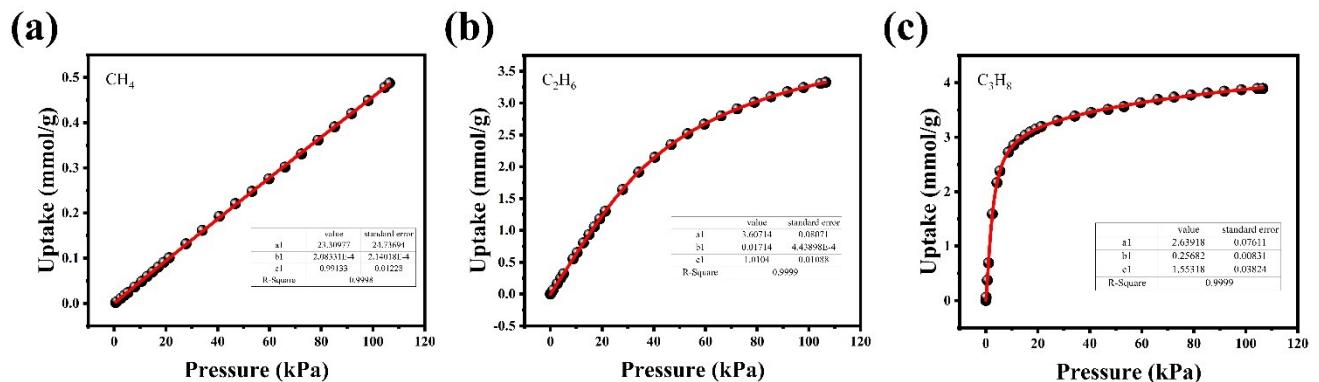
**Figure S12.** The fitting parameters for Single Sites Langmuir-Freundlich isotherms

model for DMOF-F at 298K (a)  $\text{CH}_4$  (b)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  (C)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ .



**Figure S13.** The fitting parameters for Single Sites Langmuir-Freundlich isotherms

model for DMOF-Cl at 298K (a)  $\text{CH}_4$  (b)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  (C)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ .



**Figure S14.** The fitting parameters for Single Sites Langmuir-Freundlich isotherms

model for DMOF-Br at 298K (a)  $\text{CH}_4$  (b)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$  (C)  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8$ .

**Table S1.** Summary of CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub> adsorption capacities and C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> selectivities in various porous materials.

Materials	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> /CH <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> /CH <sub>4</sub>	Ref.
	uptake mmol/g	uptake mmol/g	uptake mmol/g	selectivity (5/85)	selectivity (10/85)	
<b>DMOF-Cl</b>	<b>6.25</b>	<b>5.07</b>	<b>0.63</b>	<b>130.9</b>	<b>12.5</b>	This work
<b>DMOF-F</b>	<b>4.78</b>	<b>3.56</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>9.5</b>	This work
<b>DMOF-Br</b>	<b>3.90</b>	<b>3.33</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>133.8</b>	<b>13.8</b>	This work
<b>DMOF</b>	<b>5.80</b>	<b>4.34</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>80.5</b>	<b>9.5</b>	This work
MIL-101-Cr	3.35	1.59	0.49	84.3	22.5	<sup>1</sup>
MIL-101-Fe	3.29	1.25	0.45	24.9	15.4	<sup>1</sup>
MIL-101-Fe-NH <sub>2</sub>	3.32	1.35	0.46	42.5	11.6	<sup>1</sup>
ZUL-C1	2.72	2.95	-	158	28	<sup>2</sup>
ZUL-C2	2.52	2.82	-	741	82	<sup>2</sup>
Cu-MOF	5.98	3.22	-	203.6	9.3	<sup>3</sup>
MOF-303	4.74	4.96	0.86	5114	26	<sup>4</sup>
MIL-160	5.08	4.65	0.94	174	20	<sup>4</sup>
Ni(TMBDC)(DA BCO) <sub>0.5</sub>	5.54	5.81	-	274	29	<sup>5</sup>

Zn-BPZ-SA	2.73	2.97	0.64	65.7	10.9	6
RT-MIL-100(Fe)	6.78	2.22	0.36	33.3	6.0	7
LIFM-ZZ-1	4.06	2.80	0.39	338	16	8
PAN-m1	3.42	2.53	0.63	222.8	23.1	9
PAN-m3	4.01	2.72	0.71	296.3	17.4	9
Cu-IPA	3.10	2.57	0.81	296	35	10

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