

Supplementary information

Design of solvent systems for ϵ -CL-20 crystals with high sphericity preparation assisted by molecular simulation

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1. Characterization of compound

The nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra of solvent and compound CL-20 were measured. The CL-20 was dissolved in solvent (Acetone-d₆, 99.9%, Shanghai Yien Chemical Technology Co., Ltd., China) and analyzed using a NMR (AVANCE III HD 400 MHz, Bruker, Switzerland). The ¹H-NMR spectrum of solvent is shown in **Fig. S1**. There are the peaks with δ (chemical shift) = 0 ppm, δ = 0.6 ppm, δ = 2.1 ppm, and δ = 2.8 ppm. The ¹H-NMR spectrum of CL-20 raw material is shown in **Fig. S2**. Compared to **Fig. S1**, there are two additional peaks with δ = 8.22 ppm, δ = 8.37 ppm in the spectrum, and the ratio of peak area integrals is approximately 2:1. It can be determined that the peak with δ = 8.37 ppm originates from part A of CL-20 structure, and the peak with δ = 8.22 ppm originates from part B of CL-20 structure. The NMR spectrum of CL-20 measured by Bazaki et al.^{S1} is shown in **Fig. S3**. The result indicates that the δ of two peaks are approximately 8.4 ppm and 8.2 ppm, respectively. The above NMR spectra are consistent, proving that the compound used in this work is CL-20. There are no other impurities in CL-20 raw material.

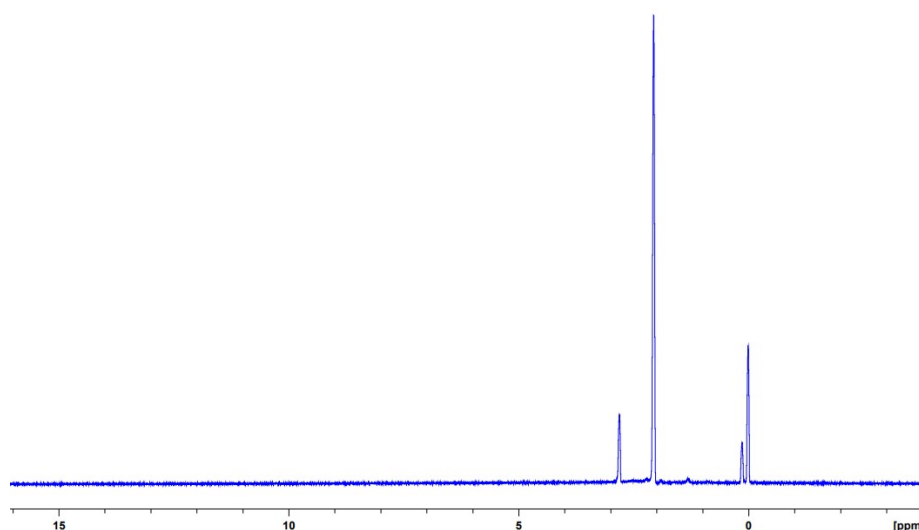


Fig. S1 ¹H-NMR spectrum of solvent

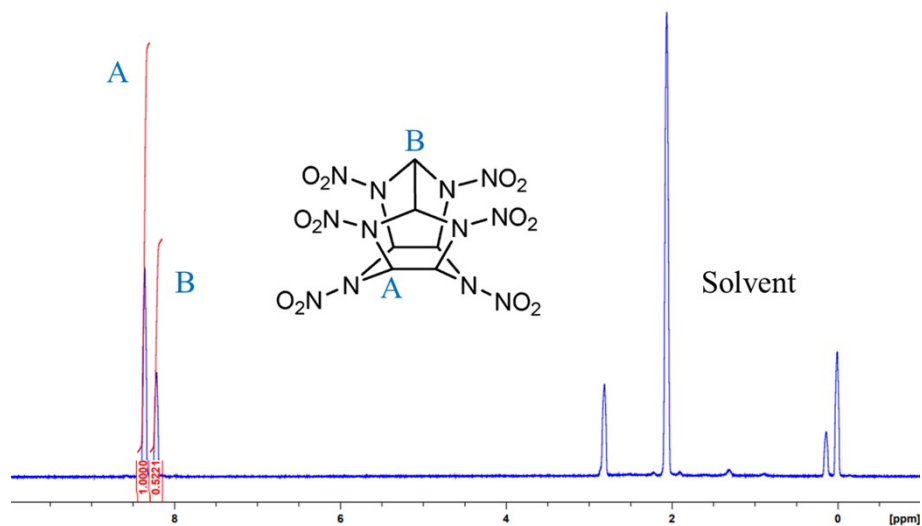


Fig. S2 $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectrum of CL-20

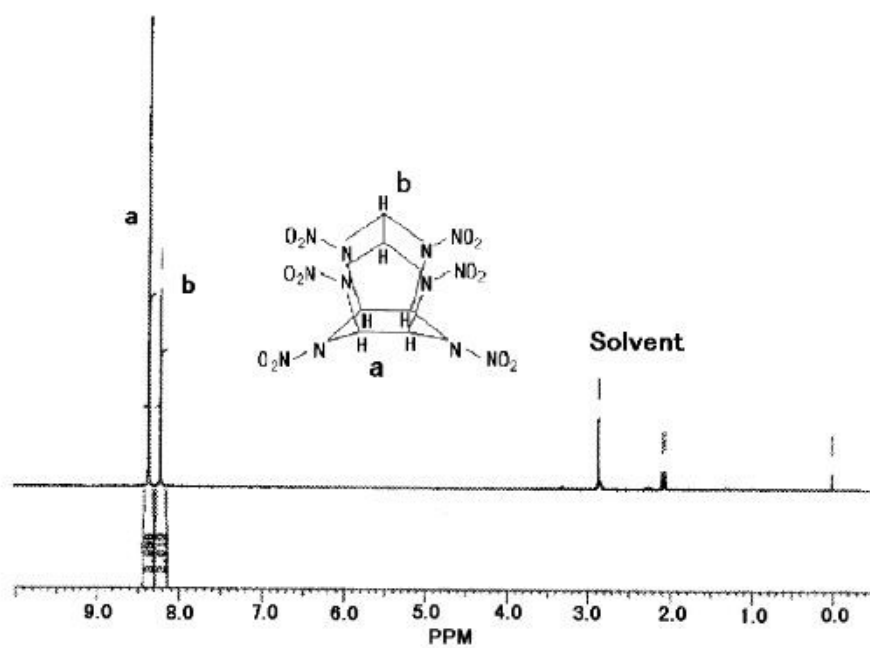


Fig. S3 NMR spectrum of CL-20 measured by H. Bazaki et al.^{S1}

In order to make this work more accurate and complete, the CL-20 raw material was analyzed using a High-performance liquid chromatograph (HPLC, 1260 Infinity II, agilent, America). The results indicate that the mass percentage of raw material provided by Beijing Institute of Technology exceeds 99.5%, as shown in **Fig. S4**.

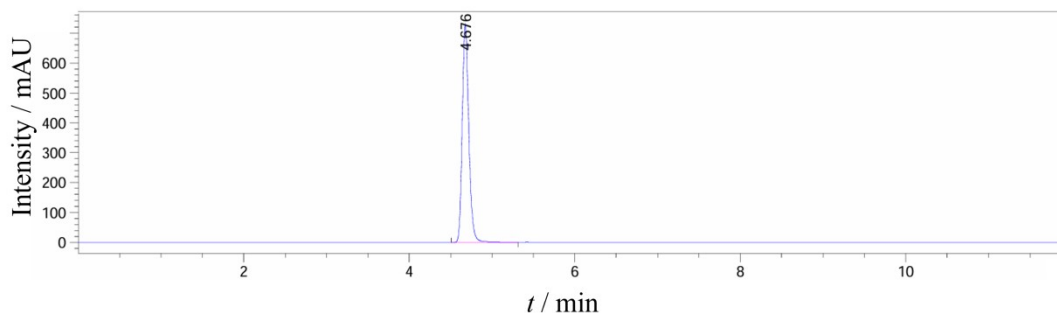


Fig. S4 HPLC of CL-20 raw material.

2. Crystal plane energies and area ratios of ϵ -CL-20

Table S1 Crystal plane energies and area ratios of ϵ -CL-20 in binary solvents at different temperatures

T/K		(1 1 0)	(0 0 1)	(1 1 -1)	(0 1 1)	(2 0 0)	(2 0 -1)
Ethyl acetate + Chlorobenzene							
303.15	$E_{int}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-330.72	-476.30	-415.23	-485.43	-325.62	-490.95
	$E_{att}^m/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-12.89	16.11	-25.26	14.14	-57.92	-24.10
	<i>Total facet</i>	47.03	18.36	0.00	30.42	0.00	4.19
	<i>area%</i>						
313.15	$E_{int}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-336.54	-463.23	-425.57	-478.87	-340.77	-525.29
	$E_{att}^m/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-11.59	13.20	-23.57	12.62	-56.20	-17.93
	<i>Total facet</i>	55.35	9.49	0.00	29.08	0.00	6.10
	<i>area%</i>						
323.15	$E_{int}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-342.07	-441.69	-434.62	-463.64	-350.38	-537.43
	$E_{att}^m/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-10.35	8.42	-22.10	9.10	-55.11	-15.75
	<i>Total facet</i>	57.66	3.93	0.00	35.91	0.00	2.49
	<i>area%</i>						
Ethyl acetate + Dibromomethane							
303.15	$E_{int}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-340.35	-515.25	-480.73	-531.54	-332.52	-453.39
	$E_{att}^m/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-10.74	24.77	-14.57	24.79	-57.14	-30.85
	<i>Total facet</i>	63.40	2.96	33.64	0.00	0.00	0.00

<i>area/%</i>							
313.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-345.90	-495.28	-492.70	-532.11	-341.91	-468.56
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-9.50	20.33	-12.61	24.92	-56.07	-28.13
	<i>Total facet</i>	64.94	0.92	34.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>area/%</i>							
323.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-347.63	-480.25	-497.54	-567.47	-350.8	-489.23
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-9.18	16.99	-11.79	33.13	-55.06	-24.41
	<i>Total facet</i>	65.76	0.3	33.94	0	0	0
<i>area/%</i>							
Ethyl acetate + 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethylene							
303.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-340.57	-546.33	-443.65	-577.15	-331.91	-492.70
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-10.69	31.68	-20.62	35.33	-57.21	-23.79
	<i>Total facet</i>	70.89	0.75	28.13	0.00	0.00	0.23
<i>area/%</i>							
313.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-346.58	-520.61	-466.83	-584.29	-334.31	-507.84
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-9.35	25.96	-16.84	36.97	-56.94	-21.07
	<i>Total facet</i>	73.71	0.36	25.80	0.00	0.00	0.12
<i>area/%</i>							
323.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-350.65	-498.08	-486.15	-586.70	-347.85	-528.24
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-8.44	20.95	-13.68	37.53	-55.39	-17.40
	<i>Total facet</i>	75.22	0.24	23.78	0.00	0.00	0.75
<i>area/%</i>							

Table S2 Crystal planes energies and area ratios of ϵ -CL-20 in ternary solvents at different temperatures

<i>T/K</i>		(1 1 0)	(0 0 1)	(1 1 -1)	(0 1 1)	(2 0 0)	(2 0 -1)
Ethyl acetate + Chlorobenzene + Dibromomethane							
303.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-327.26	-510.09	-410.67	-502.68	-330.64	-470.59
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	-13.66	23.63	-26.01	18.12	-57.35	-27.76

	<i>Total</i>	<i>facet</i>	58.36	0.00	0.00	35.17	0.00	6.47
	<i>area/%</i>							
313.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-330.53	-498.88	-425.50	-491.35	-345.99	-501.80
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-12.93	21.13	-23.59	15.57	-55.61	-22.15
	<i>Total</i>	<i>facet</i>	59.29	0.00	0.00	35.73	0.00	4.98
	<i>area/%</i>							
323.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-337.83	-486.00	-430.39	-483.06	-352.86	-524.03
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-11.30	18.27	-22.74	13.59	-54.82	-18.12
	<i>Total</i>	<i>facet</i>	64.03	0.00	0.00	33.47	0.00	2.50
	<i>area/%</i>							
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Ethyl acetate + Dibromomethane + 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethylene								
303.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-340.32	-514.13	-488.91	-556.38	-332.56	-493.61
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-10.75	24.50	-13.27	30.53	-57.13	-23.62
	<i>Total</i>	<i>facet</i>	66.71	0.39	32.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<i>area/%</i>							
313.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-349.09	-492.29	-500.54	-574.52	-337.92	-510.79
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-8.79	19.67	-11.33	34.72	-56.52	-20.54
	<i>Total</i>	<i>facet</i>	64.14	0.29	35.57	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<i>area/%</i>							
323.15	$E_{\text{int}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-353.86	-484.79	-503.86	-587.80	-350.83	-520.21
	$E_{\text{att}}^{\text{m}}/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$		-7.72	18.00	-10.81	37.79	-55.05	-18.84
	<i>Total</i>	<i>facet</i>	62.74	0.05	37.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<i>area/%</i>							
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