

Electronic supplementary information for the paper:

**Close-packing effect of water clusters within metal–organic
framework pores on proton conductivity: a dielectric relaxation
phenomenon in loose space and colossal dielectric permittivity**

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I. Crystallographic data and structures

Table S1 Crystallographic data and details of refinements for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O**^{1,2}

Compounds	Sm-fum-7H ₂ O	Er-fum-12H ₂ O
Empirical formula	C ₁₂ H ₁₆ O ₁₉ Sm ₂	C ₆ H ₁₅ O ₁₂ Er
<i>Mr</i>	764.97	446.44
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>P2₁/n</i>	<i>P2₁/c</i>
<i>a</i> (Å)	9.5178(2)	8.457(1)
<i>b</i> (Å)	14.6999(3)	17.225(1)
<i>c</i> (Å)	14.8740(3)	9.690(1)
α (°)	90	90
β (°)	91.2425(9)	112.22(1)
γ (°)	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	2080.54(7)	1306.7(2)
<i>Z</i>	4	4
<i>D_c</i> (g cm ⁻³)	2.442	2.269
μ (mm ⁻¹)	5.684	6.480
<i>F</i> (000)	1456	860
θ range [°]	3.5– 27.5	2.4– 25.0
Collected reflections	36935	2619
Unique reflections	4765	2289
Parameters	330	182
<i>T</i> (K)	180	293
<i>R</i> ₁ ^[a] , <i>wR</i> ₂ ^[b] [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.0284, 0.0568	0.0314, 0.1159
GOF	0.93	1.18
Largest peak and hole (e · Å ⁻³)	-1.22, 1.28	-1.47, 0.94

^[a] $R_1 = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$. ^[b] $wR_2 = [\sum w(|F_o|^2 - |F_c|^2)^2 / \sum w(|F_o|^2)^2]^{1/2}$

Table S2 Coordination Bond Lengths (Å) for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O**.

Sm-fum-7H₂O			
Sm(1)–O(1)	2.628(3)	Sm(2)–O(1)	2.472(3)
Sm(1)–O(2)	2.509(3)	Sm(2)–O(5)	2.623(3)
Sm(1)–O(5)	2.416(3)	Sm(2)–O(6)	2.498(3)
Sm(1)–O(9)	2.352(3)	Sm(2)–O(10)	2.467(3)
Sm(1)–O(13)	2.449(3)	Sm(2)–O(15)	2.430(3)
Sm(1)–O(14)	2.407(3)	Sm(2)–O(16)	2.469(3)
Sm(1)–O(3a)	2.555(3)	Sm(2)–O(8c)	2.371(3)
Sm(1)–O(4a)	2.469(3)	Sm(2)–O(11d)	2.543(3)
Sm(1)–O(7b)	2.451(3)	Sm(2)–O(12d)	2.471(3)
Er-fum-H₂O			
Er(1)–O(1)	2.200(7)	Er(1)–O(5W)	2.431(7)
Er(1)–O(2)	2.341(6)	Er(1)–O(6)	2.392(6)
Er(1)–O(4)	2.320(7)	Er(1)–O(6W)	2.400(7)
Er(1)–O(5)	2.462(5)	Er(1)–O(3a)	2.254(6)

Symmetry codes: a) 1+x, y, z; b) 1/2+x, 1/2–y, 1/2+z; a) 1+x, y, z; b) –x, –y, 2–z for **Sm-fum-7H₂O**; a) x, 3/2–y, 1/2+z for **Er-fum-H₂O**.

Table S3 Hydrogen-bonding geometry parameters (\AA , $^\circ$) for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O**

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	\angle(DHA)
Sm-fum-7H₂O				
O(13) – H(131)···O(12)	0.93(4)	1.89(4)	2.781(4)	159(4)
O(13)–H(132)···O(1)	0.95(4)	2.49(5)	2.808(4)	100(4)
O(13) –H(132)···O(17)	0.95(4)	1.94(4)	2.883(5)	174(4)
O(14) –H(141)···O(2)	0.93(5)	1.80(4)	2.734(4)	176(4)
O(14) –H(142)···O(6)	0.95(4)	1.82(4)	2.766(4)	172(4)
O(15) –H(151)···O(3)	0.97(3)	1.78(4)	2.739(4)	169(5)
O(15) – H(152)···O(17)	0.97(3)	1.84(3)	2.794(5)	167(5)
O(16) –H(161)···O(7)	0.93(4)	1.80(4)	2.694(4)	159(5)
O(16) – H(162)···O(4)	0.90(3)	2.02(3)	2.910(4)	170(5)
O(17) –H(171)···O(11)	0.95(4)	1.94(4)	2.887(5)	172(5)
O(17) –H(172)···O(18)	0.90(5)	2.19(5)	2.934(8)	139(4)
O(17) –H1(72)···O(19)	0.90(5)	2.00(5)	2.735(9)	138(4)
O(18)···O(19)	-	-	2.66	-
Er-fum-12H₂O				
O(3W) –H(3WA)···O(6W)	1.0900	2.2000	3.058(12)	134.00
O(6W) –H(6WA)···O(1W)	0.8300	2.0200	2.766(10)	150.00
O(2W)–H(2WA)···O(1)	0.8300	2.5800	3.169(5)	129.00
O(3W)–H(3WB)···O(4WA)	1.1300	2.4600	3.035(14)	110.00
O(2W) –H(2WA)···O(2)	0.714(19)	2.48(9)	3.070(11)	142(11)
O(6W) –H(6WB)···O(4WA)	0.8700	2.5900	3.291(12)	138.00
O(6W) –H(6WB)···O(3W)	0.8700	2.3900	3.058(12)	134.00
O(4WA)–H(4WB)···O(1W)	0.9200	2.1000	2.940(12)	152.00
O(2W) –H(2WB)···O(3W)	1.1100	2.1400	2.843(13)	119.00
O(1W) –H(1WB)··· O(4)	1.1400	2.3700	3.149(10)	124.00
O(1W) –H(1WB)···O(6)	1.1400	2.4300	3.261(9)	128.00
O(5W)–H(5WB)···O(4WA)	0.9600	2.0300	2.902(13)	151.00

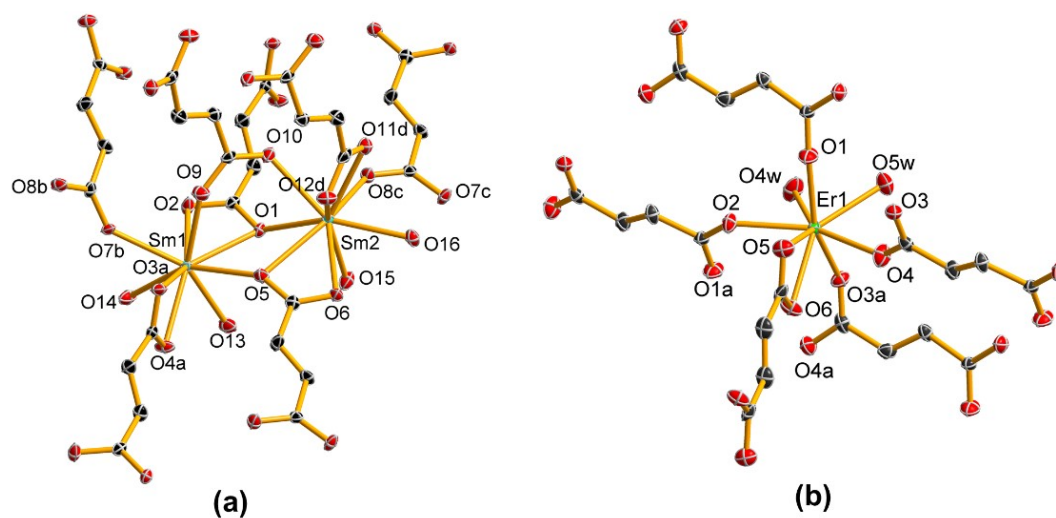


Fig. S1 (a) Coordination environment of Sm(III) in **Sm-fum-7H₂O**. Symmetry codes: a) $1+x, y, z$; b) $1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z$; c) $1+x, y, z$; d) $-x, -y, 2-z$. (b) Coordination environment of Er(III) in **Er-fum-12H₂O**. Symmetry codes: a) $x, 3/2-y, 1/2+z$. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity. (Colour code: black, C; red, O; cyan, Sm; green, Er).

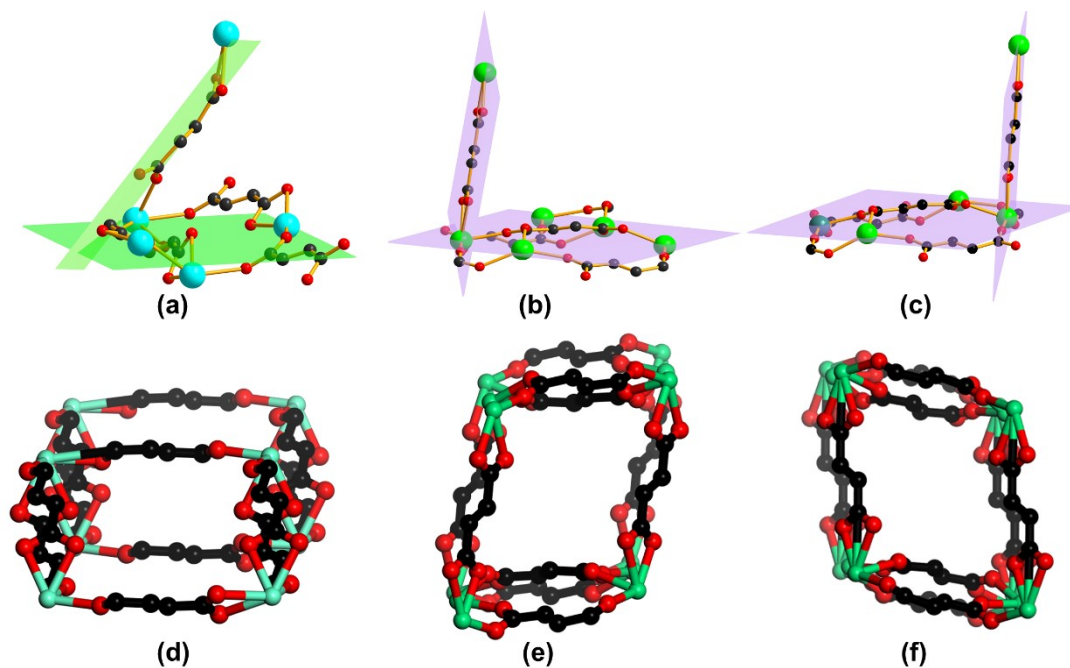


Fig. S2 Dihedral angles between the mean planes of the pillared fumarate ligands and the 2D layers formed by the fumarate ligands and lanthanide ions for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a), **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (c). The cavities or channels in **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (d), **Er-fum-12H₂O** (e) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (f). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity. (Colour code: black, C; red, O; cyan, Sm; green, Er).

II. Characterization: PXRD patterns

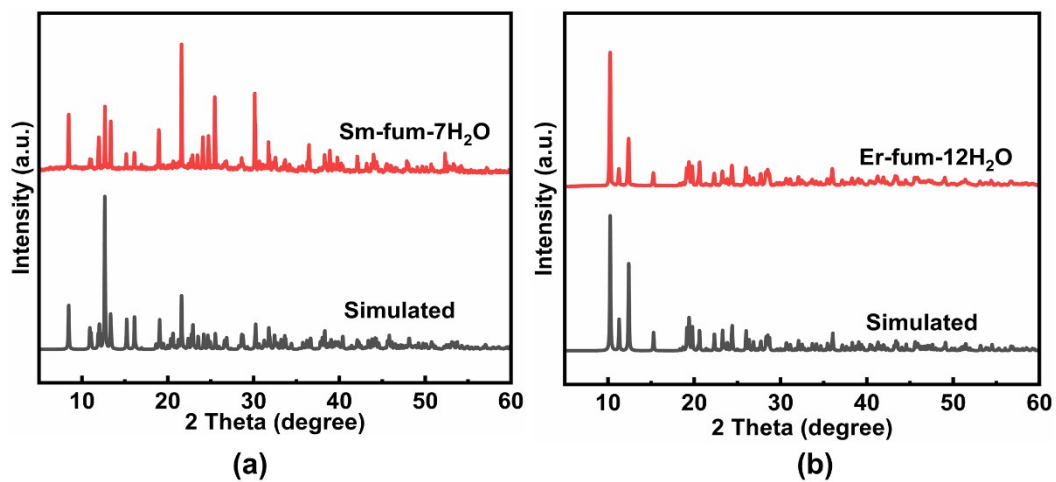


Fig. S3 The PXRD patterns for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b) of a simulation based on single crystal data of reported and as-synthesized bulk crystals.

III. Characterization: IR spectra

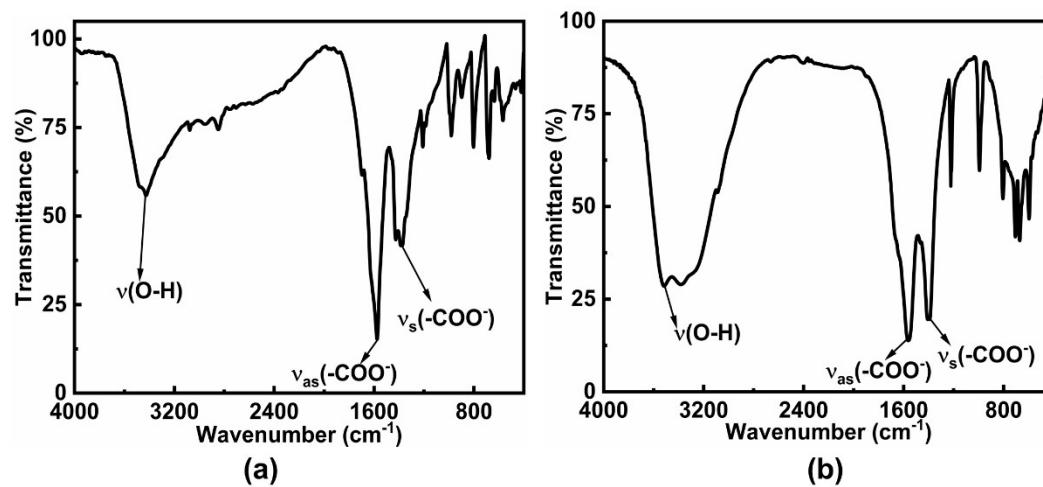


Fig. S4 IR absorption spectra of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b).

IV. Characterization: Purity

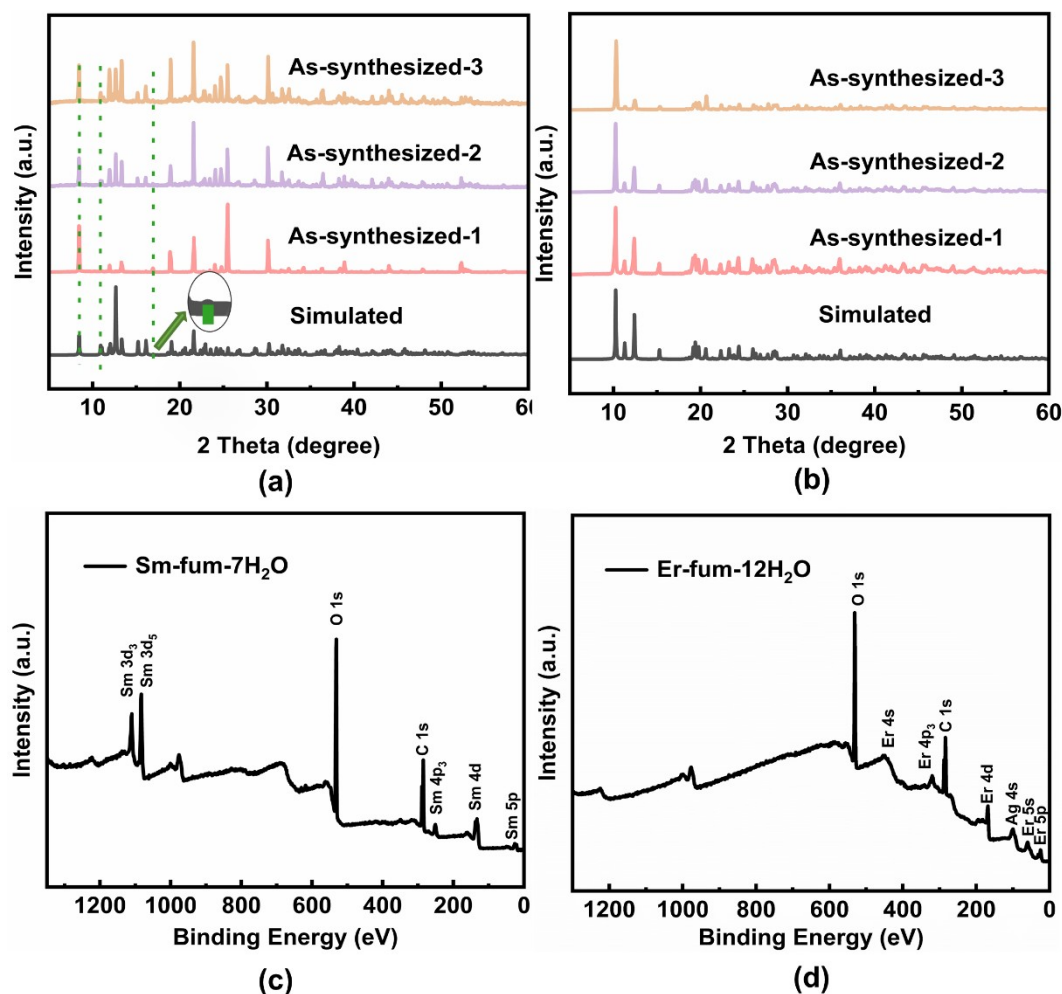


Fig. S5 The PXRD patterns for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b) of a simulation based on single crystal data of reported and three as-synthesized bulk samples. The XPS survey spectra for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (c) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (d).

The influence of impurities or defects on the proton conductivity of MOFs is well-documented in the literature. For example, in 2015, S. Kitagawa's study demonstrated that manipulating ligand defects within UiO-66 could enhance proton conductivity by nearly three orders of magnitude, achieving a remarkable $6.93 \times 10^{-3} \text{ S} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$ at 65 °C and 95% RH.³ This finding emphasizes the potential of deliberately introducing ligand defects to control proton mobility and improve the proton-conducting properties of MOFs. Further research by H. Hou and his team in 2021 revealed that ligand exchange, which introduced pore defects within MOF crystals, significantly enhanced proton transfer. Their findings indicated that the proton conductivity of MOF-bpy reached $1.27 \times 10^{-3} \text{ S} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$, which is 3.5 times greater than that of MOF-azo, while MOF-bpe

exhibited a proton conductivity of $1.01 \times 10^{-3} \text{ S} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$, 2.8 times higher than MOF-azo.⁴

In addition to proton conductivity, impurities or defects also significantly affect dielectric properties. Research by N. F. Shi demonstrated that defects in the $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4/\text{N-C}$ structure led to lower dielectric loss values relative to the defect-free $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4/\text{C}$, suggesting that the presence of defects can enhance dielectric performance.⁵ Similarly, H. Xu's investigation into defects in MOF materials found that the removal of small molecules induced defects and functional groups that facilitated energy transfer from adjacent states to the Fermi level, promoting Debye dipole relaxation and resulting in high-performance microwave absorbers with improved dielectric properties.⁶

In light of these findings, we conducted an investigation into the impurities or defects present in Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O. To confirm the phase purity of the synthesized samples, PXRD measurements were performed three times prior to impedance testing. As shown in Fig. S5a and b, the PXRD peak positions of the synthesized samples closely matched with the simulated data obtained from single crystal analysis, confirming the absence of experimental randomness and establishing that both Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O are of pure phase. Additionally, XPS was employed to assess the elemental composition of Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O. The survey spectra, depicted in Fig. S5c and d, revealed the presence of only C, O, and Sm elements in Sm-fum-7H₂O, while Er-fum-12H₂O contained C, O, and Er, with the exception of a trace amount of Ag, by utilizing Advantage software for peak identification. It should be noted that the presence of the Ag element in the XPS measurement may be attributed to the adhered silver conductive colloid in the Er-fum-12H₂O sample under experimental conditions. The surface of the Er-fum-12H₂O sample is more susceptible to contact with the silver conductive colloid due to its smaller size compared to the Sm-fum-7H₂O sample. The combined analysis of the PXRD patterns and XPS survey spectra provides strong evidence that both Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O are of pure phases, indicating the absence of impurities in these samples. Consequently, the properties subsequently tested accurately reflect the intrinsic characteristics of pure-phase single crystals, remaining uninfluenced by impurities.

V. Characterization: SEM images

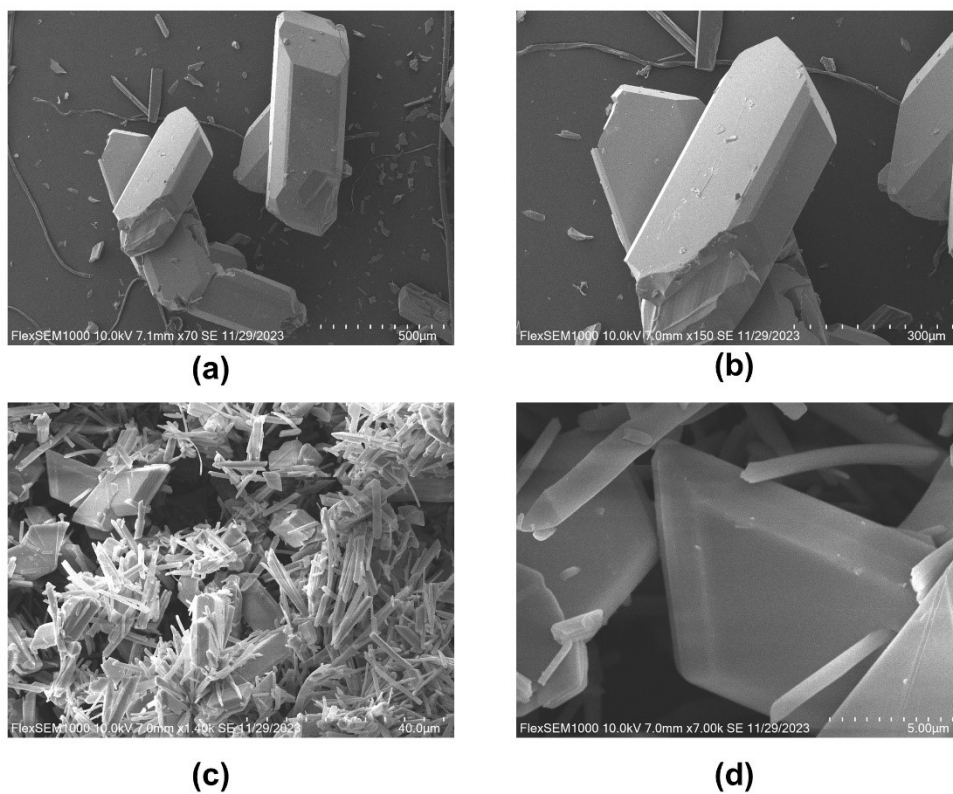


Fig. S6 SEM images of the full (a) and partial (b) views of **Sm-fum-H₂O** as well as the full (c) and partial (d) views of **Er-fum-12H₂O**.

VI. Characterization: Flexibility

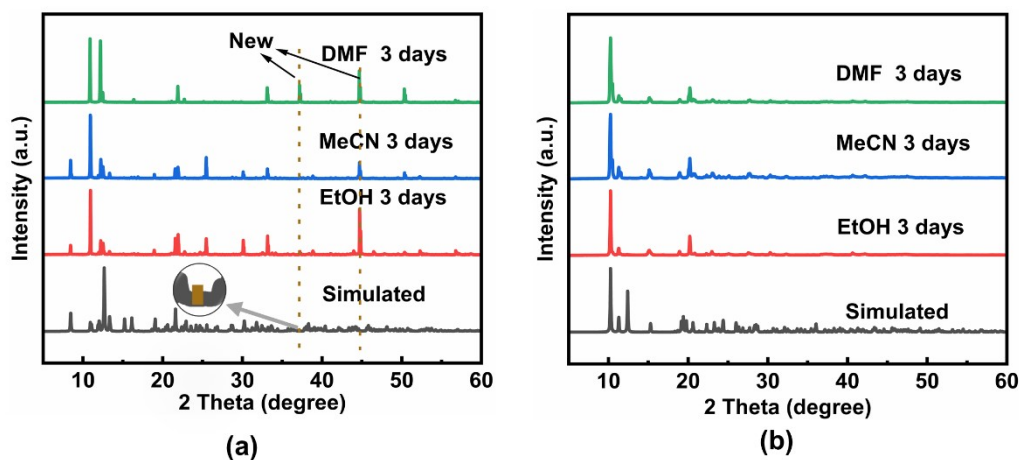


Fig. S7 Flexibility characterization. PXR D patterns of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b) treated with EtOH, MeCN and DMF.

To assess the flexibility of the MOF frameworks, we conducted experiments involving immersion in organic solvents on Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O. Specifically, Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O were immersed in ethanol (10 ml), acetonitrile (10 ml), and DMF (10 ml) for three days, respectively. Subsequently, the samples were recycled and subjected to XRD analysis. As shown in Figure S7a, the majority of characteristic peaks of Sm-fum-7H₂O remained intact and some new peaks were observed at 37.17° and 44.78°, indicating that a slight deformation of the framework. In other words, Sm-fum-7H₂O has a certain degree of flexibility, which is possibly associated with water molecules within the framework exchanging with the organic solvents. In contrast, no new peaks were observed in the XRD pattern of Er-fum-12H₂O (Figure S7b), indicating a lack of flexibility and a higher degree of structural rigidity compared to Sm-fum-7H₂O. However, the water-assisted proton conductivity measurements for these MOFs were carried out under ~97% RH condition, rather than in organic solvents. Besides, the PXR D patterns of Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O almost remain unchanged following exposure to moisture, water, aqueous acidic and alkaline solutions. This indicates a good retention of their framework integrity, reflecting the inherent rigidity of these MOFs. Consequently, it can be concluded that the structural rigidity of these compounds remains largely unaffected under the tested conditions.

Furthermore, the potential changes in the arrangement of water clusters under the

measured conditions require a detailed single-crystal structure analysis for clarification. Unfortunately, suitable single crystals of Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O are not available for such structural investigations, leaving the specific alterations in the arrangement of water clusters within the crystals unclear. However, a significant finding is that a good linear relationship was observed within the measured temperature range for both Sm-fum-7H₂O and Er-fum-12H₂O. The analysis yielded activation energies of 0.12 eV for Sm-fum-7H₂O and 0.27 eV for Er-fum-12H₂O. The fact that single values were determined for each MOF, rather than a range of values, implies a uniformity in the mechanisms. In other words, the arrangement of water clusters remains largely unchanged within the measured temperature range, providing some insight into the stability of the water cluster configuration in these MOFs.

The flexibility and rigidity of MOFs are indeed critical factors that significantly influence their proton-conducting properties. As demonstrated in previous studies, such as the investigation of the flexible MOF BUT-8(Cr)A, an increase in RH leads to a greater adsorption of water molecules within the framework.⁷ The increase in water content enhances the number of available proton carriers and can establish more effective hydrogen bonding networks with the oxygen and nitrogen atoms in the organic ligands. The result facilitates the transportation of protons, highlighting the importance of MOF flexibility in enhancing proton conductivity under humid conditions. Further research by S. Kitagawa on the MOF material TJU-102 revealed exceptional proton conductivity attributed to its structural characteristics. The high density of free carboxyl (–COOH) groups within the pores of TJU-102 allows the framework to transition from a state of high rigidity to one of low flexibility, which is accompanied by tailored porosity. This unique combination of two properties results in remarkable proton conductivity, achieving values as high as $5.26 \times 10^{-2} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$ at 363 K with 98% RH.⁸ These findings revealed that the structural flexibility plays in optimizing the proton-conducting capabilities of MOFs, making them promising candidates for applications in fuel cells and other energy-related technologies.

VII. Stability: TGA curves

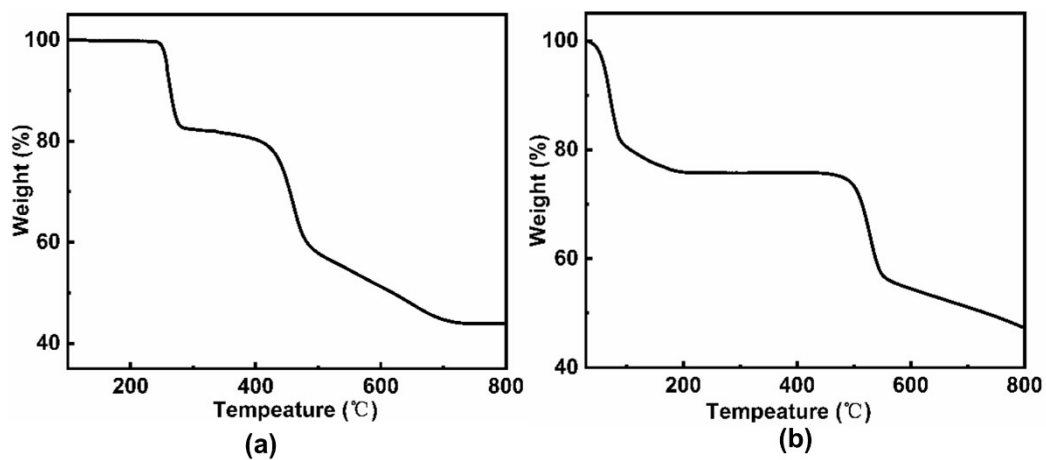


Fig. S8 Thermogravimetric curves for **Sm-fum-H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b).

VIII. Hydrophilicity: water adsorption and water contact angle

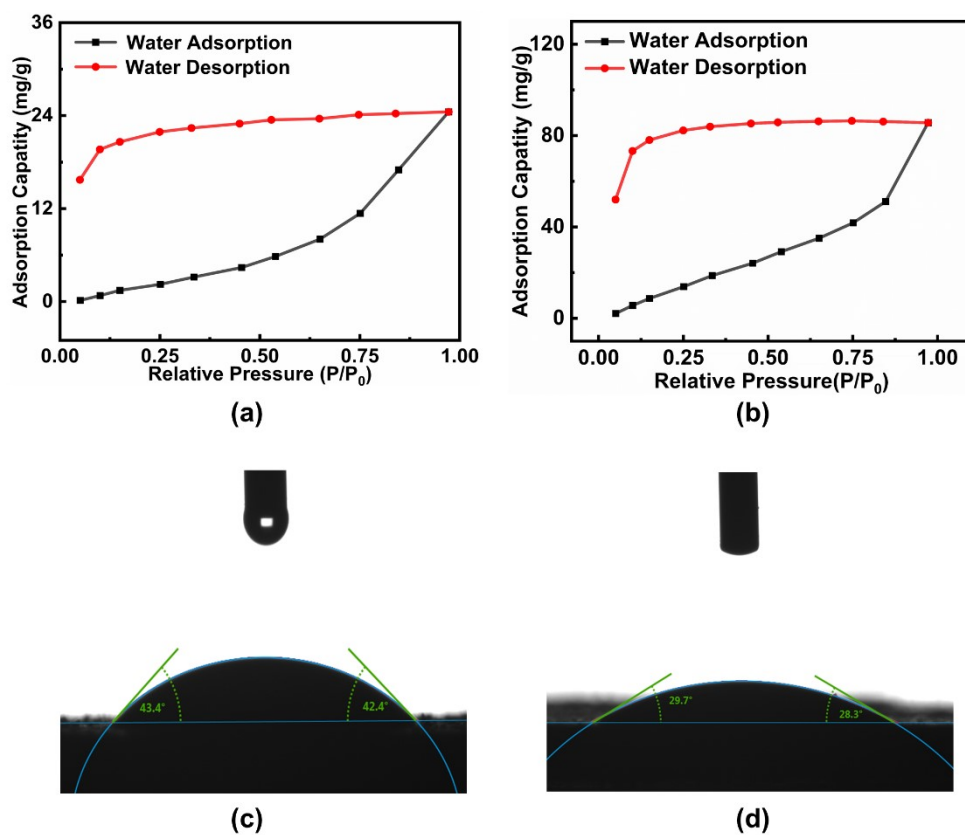


Fig. S9 Water adsorption–desorption isotherms of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b) at 298 K. Water contact angles of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (c) and **Er-fum-12H₂O** (d) at 298 K.

IX. Electrochemical measurements: impedance spectra

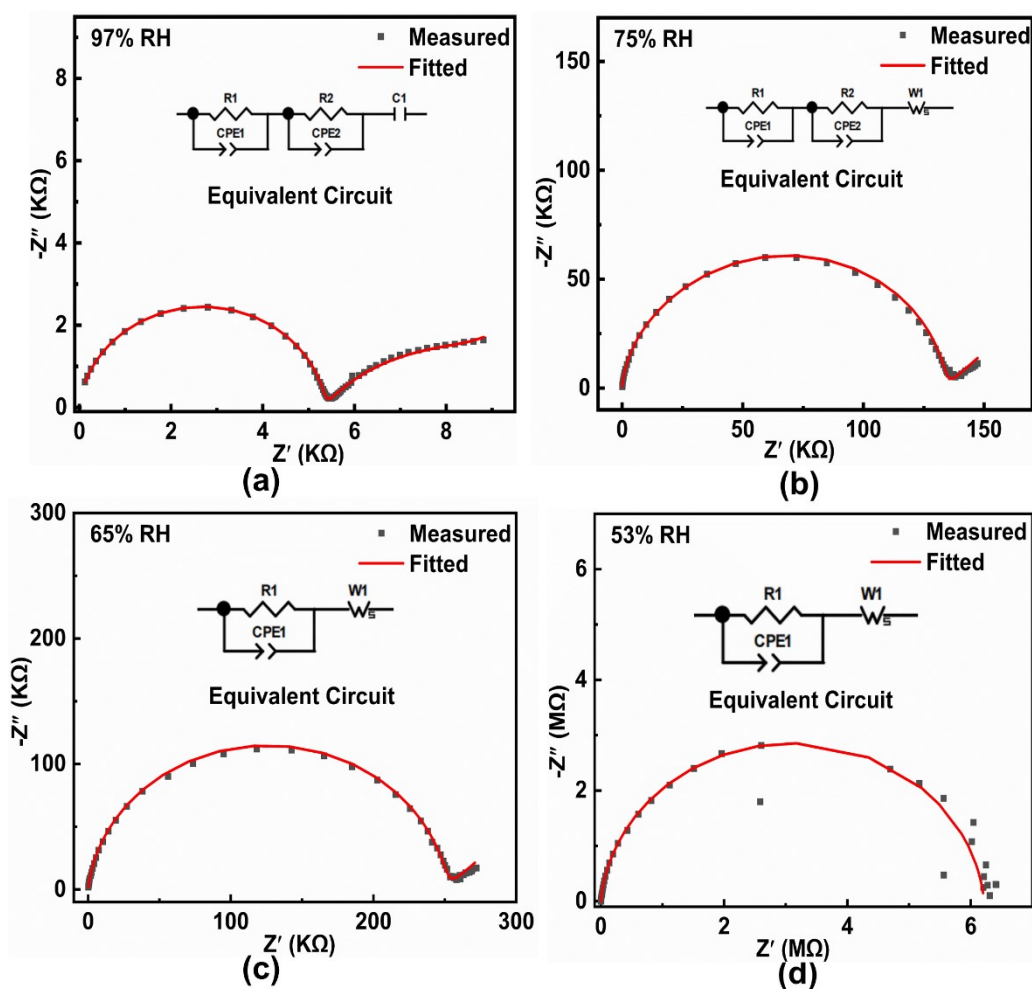


Fig. S10 Nyquist plots of Sm-fum-H₂O under 97% (a), 75% (b), 65% (c), and 53% (d) RHs (relative humidities) at 298 K (R1, bulk resistor; R2, grain boundary resistor; CPE, constant phase element; W1, Warburg diffusion element).

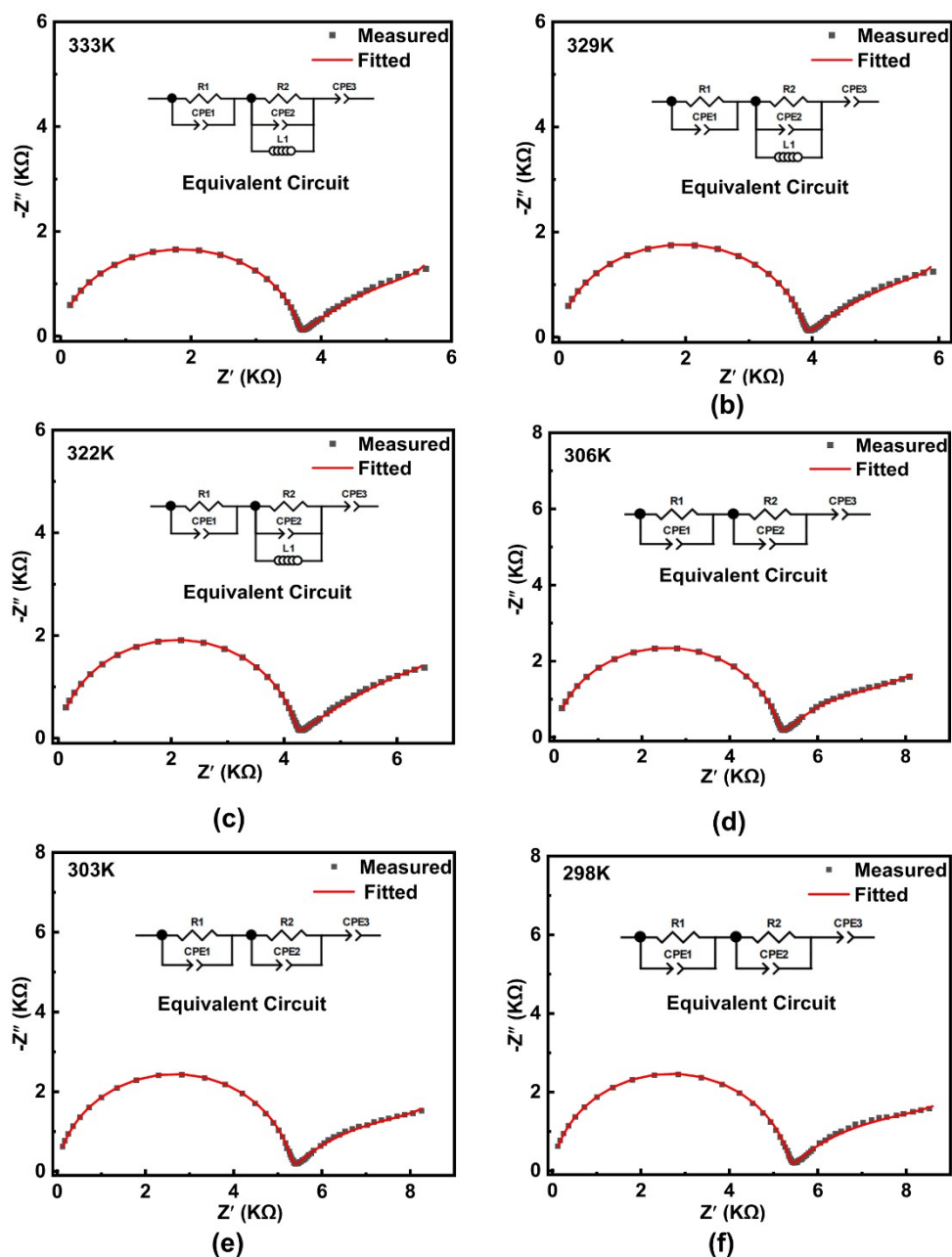


Fig. S11 Nyquist plots of $\text{Sm-fum-H}_2\text{O}$ at 333 K (a), 329 K (b), 322 K (c), 306 K (d), 303 K (e) and 298 K (f) under $\sim 97\%$ RH (R1, bulk resistor; R2, grain boundary resistor; CPE, constant phase element; L1, inductor).

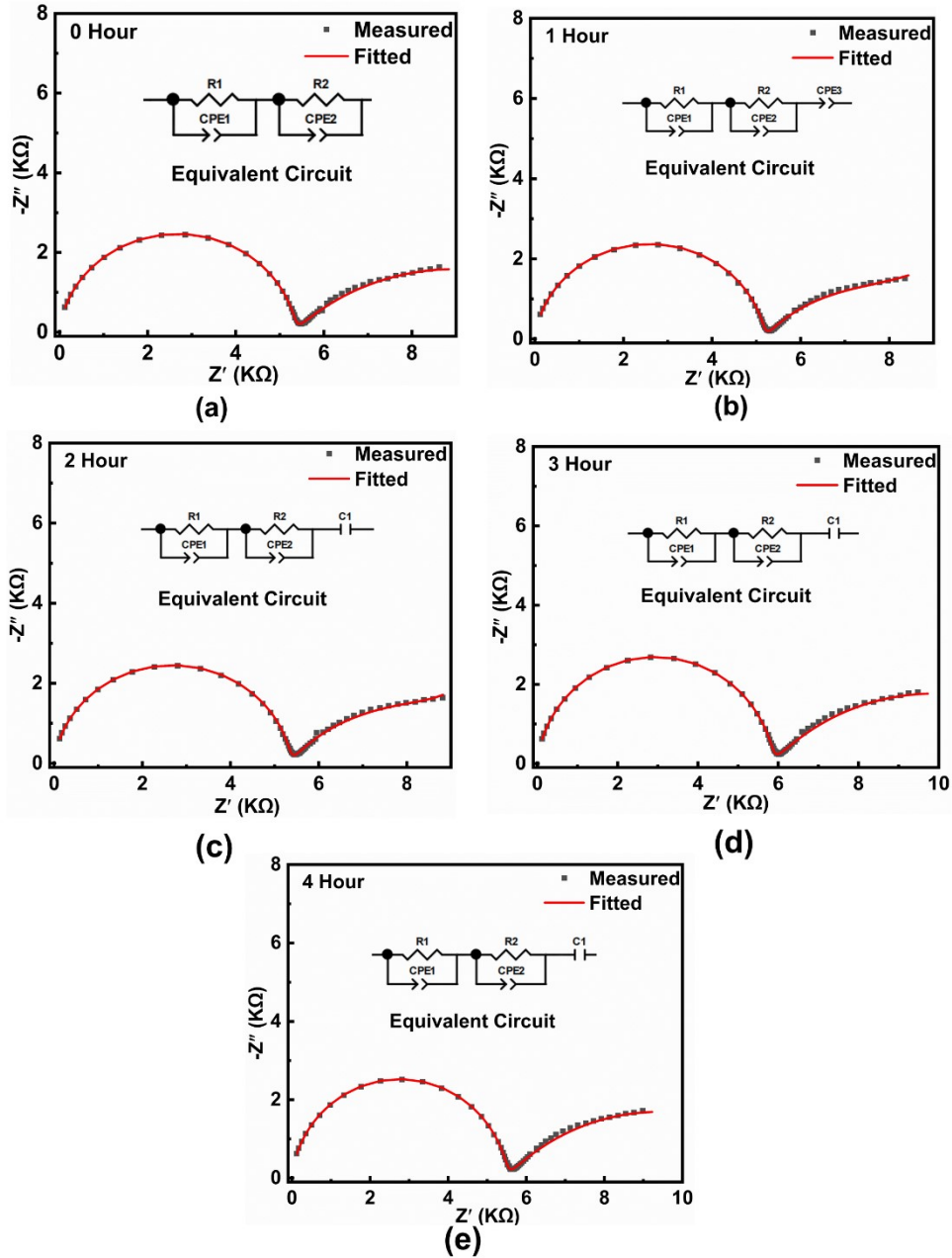


Fig. S12 Nyquist plots of **Sm-fum-H₂O** at 0 h (a), 1 h (b), 2 h (c), 3 h (d) and 4 h (f) under 298 K and ~97% RH conditions ($R1$, bulk resistor; $R2$, grain boundary resistor; CPE, constant phase element).

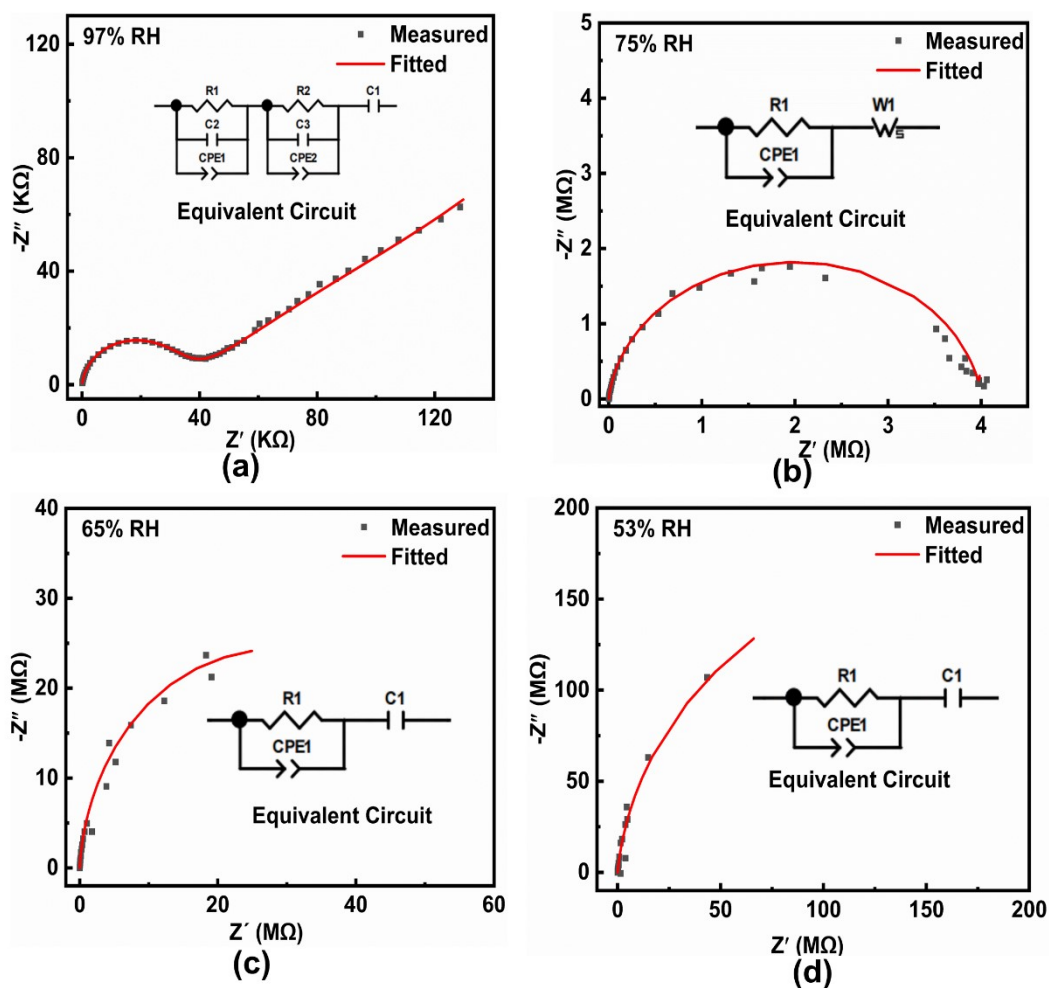


Fig. S13 Nyquist plots of $\text{Er-fum-12H}_2\text{O}$ under $\sim 97\%$ (a), $\sim 75\%$ (b), $\sim 65\%$ (c) and $\sim 53\%$ (d) RHs at 298 K ($R1$, bulk resistor; $R2$, grain boundary resistor; CPE, constant phase element; $W1$, Warburg diffusion element).

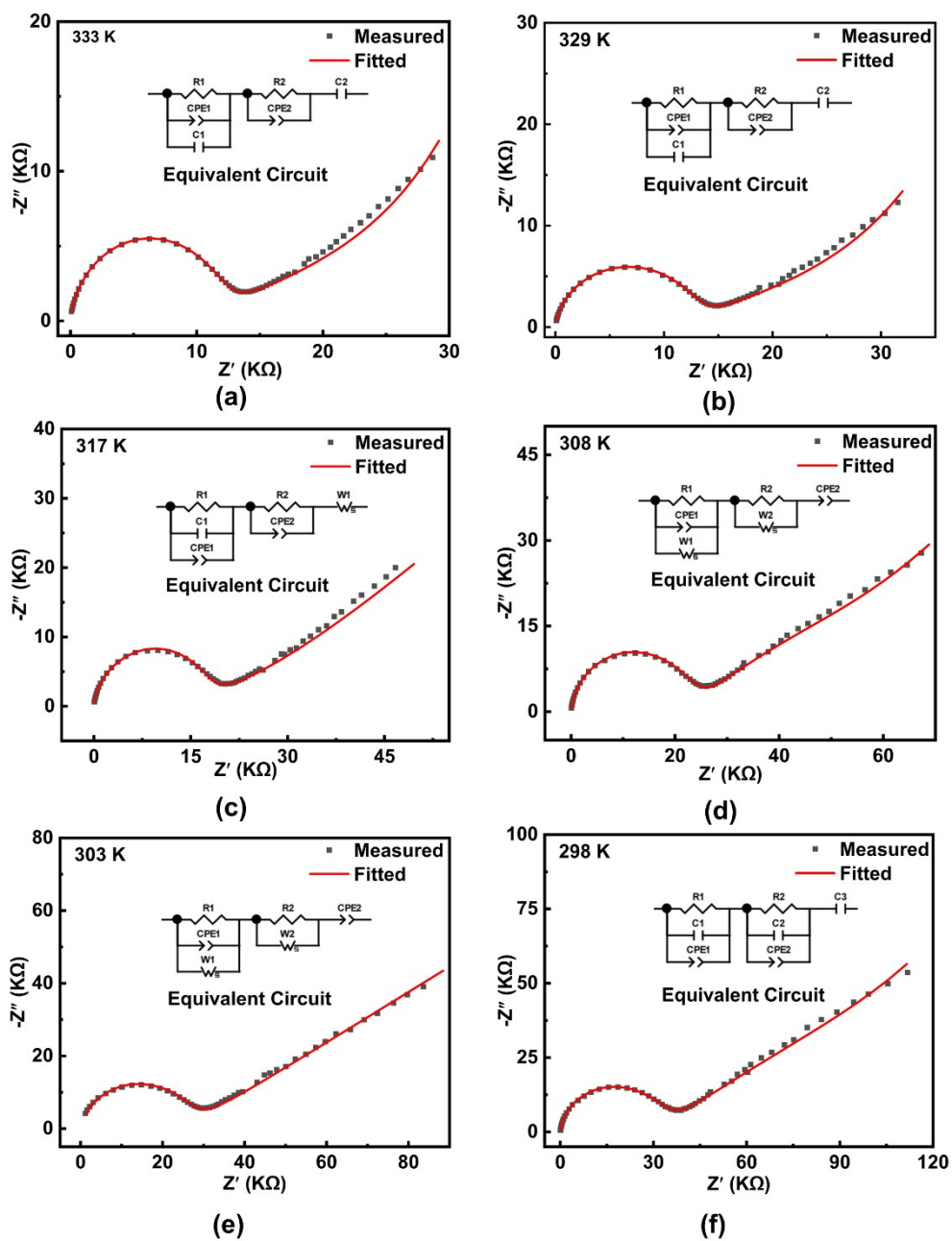


Fig. S14 Nyquist plots of $\text{Sm-fum-H}_2\text{O}$ at 333 K (a), 329 K (b), 322 K (c), 306 K (d), 303 K (e) and 298 K (f) under $\sim 97\%$ RH ($R1$, bulk resistor; $R2$, grain boundary resistor; CPE, constant phase element; $W1$ and $W2$, Warburg diffusion element; $L1$, inductor).

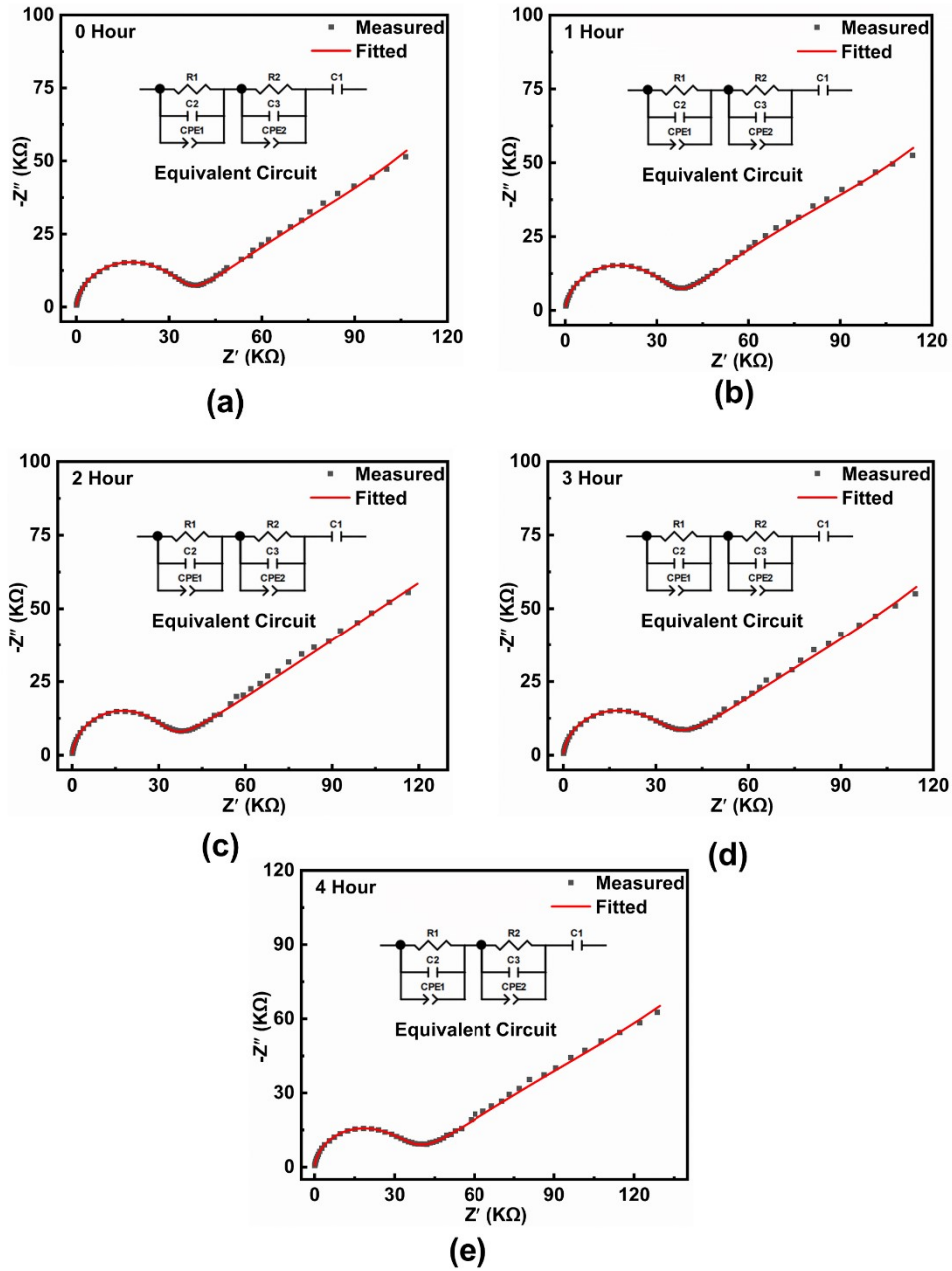


Fig. S15 Nyquist plots of **Er-fum-12H₂O** at 0 h (a), 1 h (b), 2 h (c), 3 h (d) and 4 h (f) under 298 K and ~97% RH conditions (R1, bulk resistor; R2, grain boundary resistor; CPE, constant phase element).

X. PXRD patterns after impedance measurements.

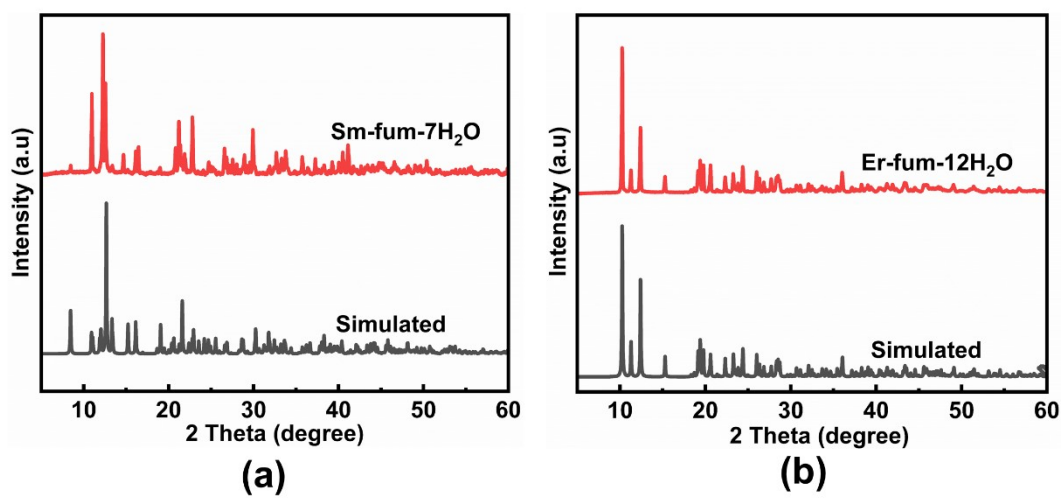


Fig. S16 PXRD patterns of simulations based on single-crystal analysis and after the impedance measurements for **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a) and **Er-fum-H₂O** (b).

XI. DC conductivity and activation energy

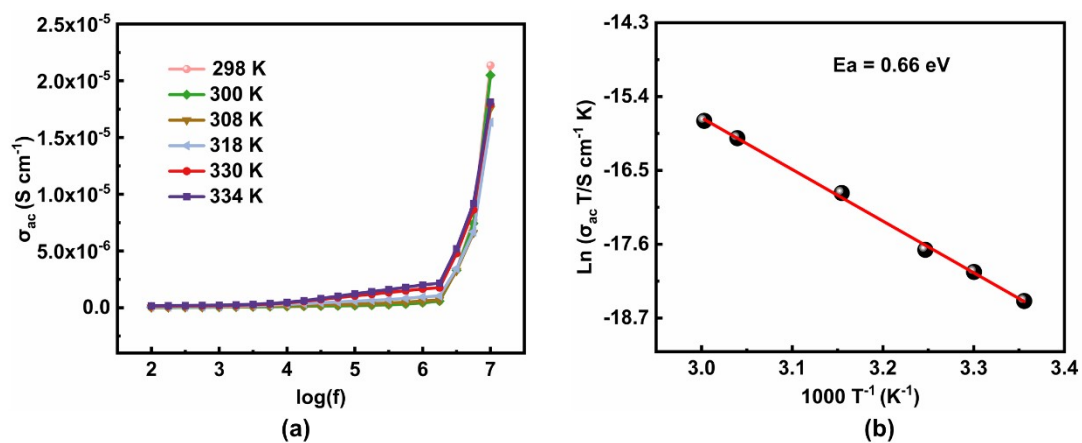


Fig. S17 Frequency dependence of the DC conductivity at different temperatures from 10^2 to 10^7 Hz for Er-fum-12H₂O (a) and activation energy (b).

XII. Differential scanning calorimeter measurements

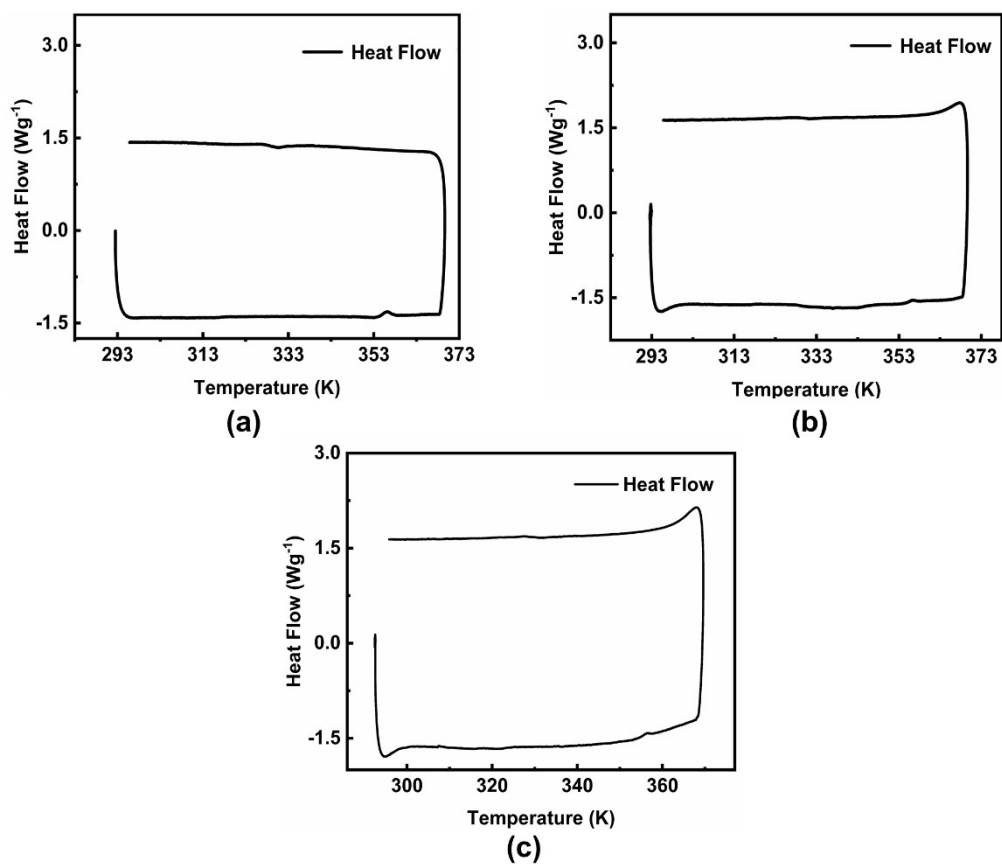


Fig. S18 DSC (Differential Scanning Calorimeter) curves of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** (a), **Er-fum-12H₂O** (b) and **blank sample** (c).

XIII. Dielectric spectrum

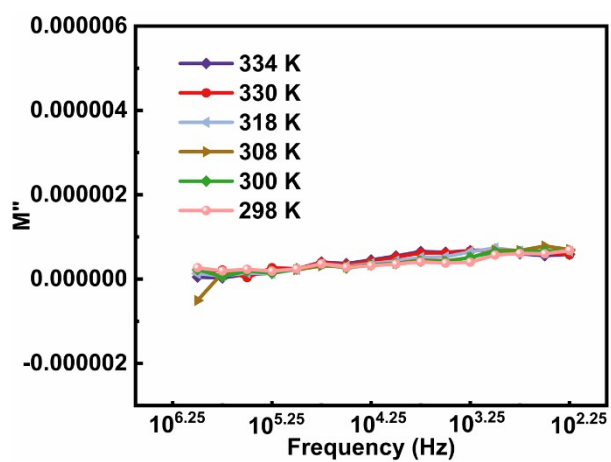


Fig. S19 Frequency dependence of the imaginary part of electric modulus at different temperatures from $10^{2.25}$ to $10^{6.25}$ Hz for **Sm-fum-7H₂O**.

XIV. Comparison of chemical stability

Table S4 Comparison of chemical stability of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O** with reported MOF materials

Materials	pH range	Time (day or hour)	References
Sm-fum-7H ₂ O	2–12	24 hours	This work
Er-fum-12H ₂ O	2–12	3 days	This work
Cd-EDDA ^[a]	2–12	24 hours	9
COF-PDAN-AO	1–13	6 hours	10
BUT-155 ^[b]	4–10	24 hours	11
oCB-MOF-1 ^[c]	2–12	15 hours	12
PCN-600(Fe)	2–11	24 hours	13
PCN-250(Fe ₂ Co)	1–12	24 hours	14
PCN-777	3–11	12 hours	15
[Cd ₂ (L ₁)(1,4-NDC) ₂] _n ^[d]	3–13	48 hours	16
[Cd(L ₂)(1,4-NDC)] _n ^[e]	3–13	48 hours	16
Eu-MOF ^[f]	3–11	48 hours	17

^[a] H₄EDDA = 5,5'-(ethane-1,2-diylbis(oxy))diisophthalic acid. ^[b] BUT = [Cu₄(tdhb)], H₈tdhb = 3,3',5,5'-tetra(3,5-dicarboxyphenyl)-2,2',4,4',6,6'-hexamethylbiphenyl). ^[c] oCB-MOF-1 = [Zn₄(μ₄-bdc)₂(μ₂-oCB-L)₂(μ₃-O)₂·(DMF)₂]_n·4DMF, H₂bdc = 1,4-benzenedicarboxylate, oCB-L = 1,2-bis{(pyridin-3-yl)methanol}-1,2-dicarba-closo-dodecarborane. ^[d] L₁ = 1,4-bis(benzimidazol-1-yl)-2-butylene, 1,4-H₂NDC = 1,4-naphthalenedicarboxylic acid. ^[e] L₂ = 1,4-bis(2-methylbenzimidazol-1-yl)-2-butylene. ^[f] Eu-MOF = [Me₂NH₂]₂(Eu)₂(ofdp)₂(DMF)(H₂O)]·7H₂O·DMF, H₄ofdp = 5,5'-(9-oxo-9H-fluorene-2,7-diyl)diisophthalic acid.

XV. Comparison of proton conductivity

Table S5 Comparison of proton conductivity of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O** with some reported proton conductors

Materials	σ (S cm ⁻¹)	Ea (eV)	T (K)	RH (%)	Reference
Sm-fum-7H ₂ O	6.9×10^{-4}	0.12	333	97	This work
Er-fum-12H ₂ O	1.6×10^{-4}	0.27	333	97	This work
[Ni ₂ (dobdc)(H ₂ O) ₂] · 6H ₂ O ^[a]	1.4×10^{-4}	0.12	353	95	18
Ni ₂ (dobdc)	1.4×10^{-4}	-	353	95	18
Zn-pzdc-H ₃ O ^{+[b]}	2.42×10^{-3}	0.21	323	97	19
Mn-pzdc-H ₃ O ⁺	2.03×10^{-3}	0.10	323	97	19
Cu-Hpzdc-H ₂ O	1.68×10^{-3}	0.35	323	97	19
Co-2PPA ^[c]	2.96×10^{-4}	0.29	333	97	20
Co-4PPA	2.78×10^{-5}	0.31	333	97	20
Zr(L) ₂ X ₂ H ₂ · 5H ₂ O ^[d]	1×10^{-4}	0.23	353	95	21
{[Gd(ma)(ox)(H ₂ O)] _n · 3H ₂ O} ^[e]	4.7×10^{-4}	0.88	353	95	22
{[Dy(ma)(ox)(H ₂ O)] _n · 1.5H ₂ O}	9.06×10^{-5}	0.70	353	95	22
MOF-808-OX	4.25×10^{-4}	0.14	353	98	23
[Mg(2,2',6,6'-BPTC) _{0.5} (H ₂ O) ₃] · 5H ₂ O ^[f]	2.6×10^{-4}	0.47	373	98	24
Fe-MOF	1.25×10^{-4}	0.385	333	98	25
[Cu ₄ (HDMPHIDC) ₄ (H ₂ O) ₄] _n ^[g]	1.3×10^{-4}	0.95	373	98	26
{[Cd(p-TIPhH ₂ IDC) ₂] · H ₂ O} _n ^[h]	1.24×10^{-4}	0.32	373	98	27
[Cu(bpdc)(H ₂ O) ₂] _n ^[i]	1.55×10^{-4}	-	373	98	28
{[Co(BPTA)(BDA)](DMF) · 1.3 H ₂ O} _n ^[j]	9.5×10^{-4}	-	353	98	29
{[Co(BPTA)(OBA)](2DMF) · 6H ₂ O} _n ^[k]	6.6×10^{-4}	-	353	98	30
[(CuI 4CuII 4NTAA ₄) · 3H ₂ O] _n	4.9×10^{-4}	0.39	373	98	30
UiO-66-AS	1.7×10^{-4}	-	353	98	31
{[Co ₃ (p-ClPhHIDC) ₃ (H ₂ O) ₃] · 6H ₂ O} _n ^[l]	2.47×10^{-4}	0.20	363	93	32
{[Co ₃ (m-BrPhIDC) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₆] · 2H ₂ O} _n	7.64×10^{-4}	0.56	373	98	32
[Zn(o-BrPhH ₂ IDC) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] · EtOH · 3H ₂ O ^[m]	1.14×10^{-4}	0.72	373	98	33
[Co(o-BrPhH ₂ IDC) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] · EtOH · 3H ₂ O	3.11×10^{-4}	0.89	373	98	33
[{(H ₃ O)[Eu(SBDB)(H ₂ O) ₂]}]	1.0×10^{-4}	0.48	338	98	34

JXNU-7(Eu) ^[n]	1.04×10^{-4}	0.34	358	98	35
Tb-DSOA	1.66×10^{-4}	0.45	373	98	36
CuH(Hspip)(HPO ₄) ₂ H ₂ O ^[o]	6.90×10^{-4}	0.68	368	97	37
UMOM-100-b	2.11×10^{-4}	0.66	353	90	38
[Pr(betc)(H ₂ O) ₂] (H ₂ pip) _{0.5}] _n ^[p]	8.9×10^{-5}	0.33	313	97	39
PPA	2.49×10^{-5}	0.27	325	97	40
[Cu(PPA)I]	1.64×10^{-4}	0.19	325	97	40
[Co(PPA) ₂ (BDC)(H ₂ O) ₂ ·(PPA) ₂ (H ₂ BDC) ₂ (H ₂ O)] ^[q]	2.29×10^{-4}	0.24	325	97	40
JUC-125 ^[r]	1.5×10^{-4}	0.32	323	97	41
{[Pr ₂ Ca(betc) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₇] H ₂ O} _n	3.2×10^{-5}	0.66	305	97	42
OCC 2 ^[s]	3.72×10^{-4}	0.21	299	97	43
LOF 1 ^[t]	9.3×10^{-5}	0.33	303	97	44
PMOCP 3 ^[u]	1.38×10^{-4}	0.14	323	97	45
Co-ppca-2D ^[v]	3.21×10^{-5}	0.193	333	97	46

Note: σ = proton conductivity (S cm⁻¹). E_a = activation energy (eV). T = temperature (K). RH = relative humidity (%). ^[a] dobdc = 2,5-dioxido-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate. ^[b] H₂pzdc = 2,3-pyrazinedicarboxylic acid. ^[c] PPA = 4-(3-pyridinyl)-2-amino pyrimidine. ^[d] L = (O₃PCH₂)₂N-C₆H₁₀-N(O₃CH₂P)₂, X = H, Na⁺, NH₄⁺. ^[e] H₂L = mucic acid, H₂Ox = oxalic acid. ^[f] BPTC = 2,2',6,6'-tetracarboxybiphenyl. ^[g] HDMPHIDC = 2-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-4,5-imidazole dicarboxylic acid. ^[h] p-TIPhH₂IDC = 2-p-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazolyl)phenyl-1*H*-4,5-imidazole dicarboxylic acid. ^[i] H₂bpdc = 2,2'-bipyridyl-3,3'-dicarboxylic acid. ^[j] BDA = benzene-1,3-diacrylic acid. ^[k] OBA = dicarboxylates 4,4'-oxybisbenzoic acid. ^[l] p-ClPhH₃IDC = 2-(p-chlorophenyl)-imidazole-4,5-dicarboxylic acid. ^[m] o-BrPhH₂IDC = 2-(o-bromo phenyl)-4,5-imidazole dicarboxylic acid. ^[n] XNU-7 = {[Ln₃(μ₂-OH)(DSNPDC)₂(H₂O)_x·yH₂O]_n, H₄-DSNPDC = 5,7-disulfonate-1,4-naphthalenedicarboxylic acid. ^[o] Hspip = 2-sulfophenylimidazo(4,5-f)(1,10)-phenanthroline. ^[p] H₄betc = 1,2,4,5-benzenetetra-carboxylic acid, pip = piperazine. ^[q] H₂BDC = 1,4-benzenedicarboxylic acid. ^[r] JUC-125 = {[Gd₄(R-ttpc)₂(R-Httpc)₂(HCOO)₂(H₂O)₈·4H₂O]_n, R-H₃ttpc = (3*R*,3'*R*,3''*R*)-1,1',1''-(1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triyl)-tripiperidine-3-carboxylic acid. ^[s] OCC2 = (H₃betc)₂(H₂-Mepip)·(H₂O), Hopip = homopiperazine. ^[t] LOF 1 = {[Er₃(pmpc)(C₂O₄)₃(H₂O)₇·2H₂O]_n, D-H₃pmpc = D-1-(phosphonomethyl)piperidine-3-carboxylic acid. ^[u] PMOCP3 = {Cd(D-pmpcH)(H₂O)₂Cl₂]_n, D-H₃pmpc = 1-(phosphonomethyl)piperidine-3-carboxylic acid. ^[v] H₂ppca = 5-(pyridin-3-yl)-1*H*-pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid)

XVI. Fitting of Cole-Cole plots

Table S6 M_0 , M_∞ and α parameters obtained from the best fits for **Er-fum-12H₂O**.

T / K	M_0	M_∞	α	R^2
298 K	0.00661	2.18×10^{-4}	0.607	0.967
306 K	0.00672	2.14×10^{-4}	0.592	0.966
320 K	0.00729	2.10×10^{-4}	0.576	0.956
330 K	0.00741	1.96×10^{-4}	0.571	0.954
334 K	0.00756	1.80×10^{-4}	0.566	0.951

XVII. Comparison of dielectric constant

Table S7 Comparison of dielectric constant of **Sm-fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O** with some reported proton conductors

Materials	Dielectric constant	Frequency (Hz)	Reference
Sm-fum-7H ₂ O	2.22×10^3	$10^{2.5}$	This work
Er-fum-12H ₂ O	4.95×10^5	10^2	This work
	1.42×10^5	$10^{2.5}$	This work
Co-2PPA ^[a]	620	10^2	21
Co-4PPA	630	10^2	21
(CBQ)CuI 3(CN) ₃ Br ^[b]	119.3	-	47
[(CBQ)CuI 3(CN) ₃ Br] _n	1.8×10^6	10^2	47
[Sm ₂ (bhc)(H ₂ O) ₆] _n ^[c]	45.1	5×10^3	48
[Mn ₃ (HCOO) ₆](C ₂ H ₅ OH)	45	-	49
Co ₂ (1,4-bdc) ₂ (dabco)·[4DMF·1H ₂ O] ^[d]	5×10^3	10^2	50
Na[In ₃ (odpt) ₂ (OH) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂](H ₂ O) ₄ ^[e]	40.5	10^3	51
Cu:PI-Bpy (1:2) ^[g]	133	10^2	52
(EMI) ₂ [Zn ₃ (1,2,4,5-BTC) ₂ ·2H ₂ O] _n ^[h]	5.6×10^6	10^2	53
CaCu ₃ Ti ₄ O ₁₂	10^5	20	54
[CdCl(TBP)] _n ^[i]	1.2×10^7	10^2	55
MAPbBr ₃	25.5	-	56
HNi-MOF-74-DMSO ^[j]	47	-	57

^[a] PPA = 4-(3-pyridinyl)-2-amino pyrimidine. ^[b] CBQ-Br = N-4-cyanobenzyl quinidinium. ^[c] H₆bhc = benzenehexacarboxylic acid. ^[d] 1,4-bdc = 1,4-benzenedicarboxylate anions, dabco = 1,4-diazabicyclo [2.2.2] octane. ^[e] odpt = 4,4'-oxydiphthalate. ^[f] btc = 1,2,3-benzenetricarboxylate. ^[g] Bpy = (5,5'-bis[(4-amino)phenoxy]-2,2'-bipyrimidine). ^[h] [EMI]Br = 1-ethyl-3-methyl imidazolium bromide, 1,2,4,5-BTC = 1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylate. ^[i] H-TBP = N-(4-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)benzyl)proline. ^[j] DMSO = Dimethyl sulfoxide.

XVIII. Comparison of dielectric constant and proton conductivity

Table S8 The comparison of the proton conductivity and dielectric functions of **Sm fum-7H₂O** and **Er-fum-12H₂O**.

Materials	Proton Conductivity				Dielectric Properties		Reference
	σ (S cm ⁻¹)	E_a (eV)	T (K)	RH (%)	ε'	f (Hz)	
Sm-fum-7H ₂ O	4.69×10^{-4}	0.12	298	97	2.22×10^3	$10^{2.5}$	This work
Er-fum-12H ₂ O	5.66×10^{-5}	0.27	298	97	1.42×10^5	$10^{2.5}$	This work
[C ₄ H ₁₂ N ₂][Ag ₄ (hedp) ₂] ^[a]	1.3×10^{-6}	1.23	298	-	1.6×10^4	2.5×10^5	58
[C ₄ H ₁₂ N ₂][Ag ₁₀ (hedp) ₄ (H ₂ O) ₂] $\cdot 2H_2O$	1.4×10^{-5}	1.18	298	-	2.1×10^4	2.5×10^2	58
[Ag(C ₁₀ H ₈ N ₂)(H ₄ hedp)]	-	-	-	-	157	10^3	59
[Ag ₂ (C ₁₀ H ₈ N ₂)(H ₃ hedp)] $\cdot 2H_2O$	-	-	-	-	191	10^3	59
[C ₄ H ₁₂ N ₂][Ag ₄ (H ₂ hedp) ₂]	-	-	-	-	3408	10^3	59
[C ₄ H ₁₂ N ₂][Ag ₁₀ (H ₂ hedp) ₄ (H ₂ O) ₂] $\cdot 2H_2O$	-	-	-	-	5990	10^3	59
[Ni(Hci) ₂ (NH ₃) ₄] ^[b]	6.22×10^{-4}	0.252	298	97	26	10^2	60
[Ni(Hci) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₄]	5.44×10^{-5}	0.298	298	97	38	10^2	60
JUC-125 ^[c]	6.3×10^{-5}	0.32	298	97	80	10^2	41
OCC 1 ^[d]	8.39×10^{-5}	0.41	298	97	156	10^2	43
OCC 2 ^[e]	2.88×10^{-4}	0.21	298	97	2480	10^2	43
{[Mg(4,4'-bpdc)(H ₂ O) ₃](H ₂ O) _n } ^[f]	1.44×10^{-5}	0.277	308	-	200	1500	61
LiTFTA ^[g]	1.10×10^{-6}	0.56	298	-	50	-	62

Note: σ = proton conductivity (S cm⁻¹), E_a = activation energy (eV), T = temperature (K), RH = relative humidity (%), ε' = dielectric permittivity, f = frequency (Hz). ^[a] H₃hedp = 1-hydroxyethane-1,1-diphosphonic acid. ^[b] H₂Ci = 1H-indazole-5-carboxylic acid. ^[c] JUC-125 = {[Gd₄(R-ttpe)₂(R-Httpe)₂(HCOO)₂(H₂O)₈] $\cdot 4H_2O$ }_n, R-H₃ttpe = (3R, 3'R, 3''R)-1,1',1''-(1,3,5-triazine-2,4,6-triyl)-tripiperidine-3-carboxylic acid. ^[d] OCC 1 = [(H₃betc)(H-Hopip)_{0.5} (H₂O)], H₄betc = 1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylic acid, Hopip = homopiperazine. ^[e] OCC 2 = (H₃betc)₂(H₂-Mepip) \cdot (H₂O), Mepip = 2-methylpiperazine. ^[f] 4,4'-bpdc = 4,4'-biphenyl dicarboxylate. ^[g] LiTFTA = lithium tetrahydrofuran-2,3,4,5-tetracarboxylate.

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