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Constructing a magnetic ionic covalent organic polymer through post-synthesis

functionalization approach for efficient iodine/iodide adsorption

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1. Characterization

Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FT-IR) was used to determine the structure and surface functional groups (model: PE Frontier NIR, America). The images from the scanning electron microscope (SEM) were captured using a Thermo Scientific microscope (model: Apreo 2, America). The images transmission electron microscopy (TEM) were captured using a Thermo Scientific microscope (model: JEM-2100F, Jeol Ltd., Japan) after the specimens were dispersed in ethanol and placed on holey copper grids. The thermal stability of the samples was measured using a thermogravimetric (TGA) analyzer (model: Discovery SDT650, America) by scanning from ambient temperature to 800°C at a heating rate of 10°C min⁻¹ under nitrogen atmosphere. The X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was recorded using a Thermo Fisher Scientific (model: Shimadzu/Krayos AXIS Ultra DLD, Japan) to study the form of adsorbed molecule iodine. Ultraviolet-visible (UV-Vis) spectroscopic analyses were performed on a Persee UV-Vis spectrophotometer (model: T-9, Beijing). Raman spectra were acquired using a HORIBA JobinYvon Aramis equipped with a 532 nm diode laser (model: Lab RAM HR Evolution, France). The magnetic properties of the sample were tested at ambient temperature using a vibrating sample magnetometer (VSM) (model: LakeShore7404, America). The specific surface areas were evaluated by Micromeritics instrument (model: ASAP 2020, America). The CPMAS ¹H and ¹³C NMR measurements were carried out with spectrometer operating at 400 and 101 MHz, respectively (model: Bruker AVANCE NEO500M, Germany).

2. Uptake of iodine

2.1. Iodine vapor adsorption capacity

$$Q_{t} = \frac{(m_{t} - m_{1}) - (m_{r,t} - m_{r,0})}{m_{1} - m_{0}}$$
(S1)

Where Q_t (g g⁻¹) is the static I_2 uptake capacity at time t, m_t (g) is the weight of the third vial at time t, m_1 is the weight of the third vial before the adsorption experiment, m_0 is the weight of first vial without IMF-COP-Fe, $m_{r,t}$ is the weight of the second vial at time t, $m_{r,0}$ is the weight of second vial before the adsorption experiment.

2.2. Equations of adsorption capacity

$$Q_t = \frac{(C_0 - C_t)V}{m}$$
(S2)

Where Q_t (mg g⁻¹) is the equilibrium capacity of IMF-COP-Fe for iodine/iodide;

 C_0 (mg L⁻¹) is the initial concentration of the iodine-cyclohexane solution (iodide solution); C_t (mg L⁻¹) is the concentration of iodine-cyclohexane solution (iodide solution) when the adsorption time is t; m (g) is the mass of IMF-COP-Fe; V (L) indicates the iodine-cyclohexane solution (iodide solution) volume.

2.3. Adsorption kinetics and the internal diffusion models

$$\ln(Q_e - Q_t) = \ln Q_e - k_1 t \tag{S3}$$

$$\frac{t}{Q_t} = \frac{1}{k_2 Q_e^2} + \frac{t}{Q_e}$$
(S4)

$$Q_t = Kpt^{0.5} + C \tag{S5}$$

Where $k_1 \pmod{1}$ and $k_2 \pmod{1} \binom{mg^{-1}}{min^{-1}}$ are the kinetic constants of the pseudofirst-order and pseudo-second-order kinetic model, the adsorbed amount of iodine is $Q_e \pmod{g^{-1}}$ at equilibrium and $Q_t \pmod{g^{-1}}$ at t (min).

2.4. Langmuir and Freundlich models

$$\frac{C_e}{Q_e} = \frac{C_e}{Q_0} + \frac{1}{Q_0 K_c}$$
(S6)

$$\ln Q_e = \ln K_F + \frac{1}{n} \ln C_e \tag{S7}$$

The equilibrium adsorption capacity of IMF-COP-Fe is denoted by Q_e (mg g⁻¹). C_e (mg L⁻¹) is the concentration of iodide in the solution at equilibrium for IMF-COP-Fe. Q_0 (mg g⁻¹) is the theoretical maximum adsorption capacity based on the Langmuir model. The adsorption intensity coefficient is denoted by n, while K_c and K_F represent the adsorption equilibrium coefficients for the Langmuir and Freundlich models, respectively.



Fig. S1 ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ 9.79 (s, 2H), 8.26 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 2H), 8.07 – 7.94 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 4H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 4H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 6.06 – 5.93 (m, 2H), 5.60 – 5.48 (m, 4H), 5.43 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 2H).



Fig. S2 ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d6) δ 139.89, 135.73, 134.02, 129.34, 128.98, 127.37, 123.37, 119.59, 108.90, 51.87.



Fig. S3 N 1s XPS spectra of COP.



Fig. S4 N 1s XPS spectra of IMF-COP-Fe.



Fig.S5 Fe 2p XPS spectra of IMF-COP-Fe.



Fig. S6 VSM from the IMF-COP-Fe (inset: magnetic separation of IMF-COP-Fe from cyclohexane solution under an external magnet).



Fig. S7 The magnetic recovery efficiency of IMF-COP-Fe.



Fig. S8 Static I_2 vapor adsorption kinetics on IMF-COP-Fe upon exposure to I_2 vapor at 75°C.



Fig. S9 Pseudo-first-order kinetic model of iodine uptake on IMF-COP-Fe.



Fig. S10 The maximum adsorption capacity of COP, IMF-COP and IMF-COP-Fe at different concentrations of iodine-cyclohexane solution.



Fig. S11 Effect of pH on iodide removal efficiency of IMF-COP-Fe.



Fig. S12 Pseudo-first-order kinetic model of iodide uptake on IMF-COP-Fe.



Fig. S13 The FT-IR analysis of IMF-COP-Fe and IMF-COP-Fe@I₂.



Fig. S14 Recycling test for IMF-COP-Fe adsorption on iodine.

	Pseudo-first-order model			Pseudo-second-order model		
Adsorbent	Qe	k 1	R ²	Qe	k ₂	R ²
	(mg g ⁻¹)	(min ⁻¹)	ĸ	(mg g ⁻¹)	(g mg ⁻¹ min ⁻¹)	K
IMF-COP-Fe	182.00	0.0077	0.9769	414.94	0.0001167	0.9999

Table S1 Pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order model parameters of adsorptioniodine for IMF-COP-Fe.

Table S2 Pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order model parameters of adsorptioniodide for IMF-COP-Fe.

	Pseudo-first-order model			Pseudo-second-order model		
Adsorbent	Qe	k 1	R ²	Qe	k ₂	R ²
	(mg g ⁻¹)	(min ⁻¹)	K	(mg g ⁻¹)	(g mg ⁻¹ min ⁻¹)	ĸ
IMF-COP-Fe	5.75	0.0009	0.4112	77.58	0.02163	0.9999

 Table S3 Textural properties of different samples.

sample	S_{BET}^{a} (m ² ·g ⁻¹)	$V_{\rm P}{}^{\rm b} ({\rm cm}^3 \cdot {\rm g}^{-1})$	$D_{\rm av}{}^{\rm c}$ (nm)
COP	37.10	0.074	7.97
IMF-COP	18.86	0.042	8.99
IMF-COP-Fe	22.10	0.059	10.76

^a Surface area calculated from N₂ adsorption isotherms using the BET equation.

^b Pore volume calculated from nitrogen uptake at $p/p_0 = 0.99$.

^c Average pore size.

Adsorbent	Category	Guest molecules	Adsorption capacity(mg g ⁻¹)	Ref.
T_COP-1	COPs	I_2	1045	1
T_COP-2	COPs	I_2	970	1
T_COP-3	COPs	I_2	950	1
SIOC-COF-7	COFs	I_2	1270	2
mICOP-1@agar	COPs	I_2	1152.5	3
ICOP-1	COPs	I_2	695.5	3
P-COFs	COFs	I_2	1300	4
PIPCOP	COPs	I_2	1950	5
PT-POP	POPs	I_2	340	6
DaTd-COF	COFs	I_2	666.79	7
P-TzTz	POPs	I_2	494.09	8
SCNU-Z4	MOFs	I_2	332	9
Mxene-PILs	Composites (PILs)	I_2	170	10
Th-MOF	MOFs	I_2	1046	11
PHCPs	HCPs	I_2	469	12
AZO-TPA	Composites	I_2	661.79	13
AZO-TPA-600	Composites	I_2	775.36	13
UA-DT	Composites	I_2	334.5	14
Complexes 1	Composites	I_2	638.5	15
nano Cu ₂ O/Cu-C	Composites	I-	41.2	16

 Table S4 The comparison of iodine uptake capacities with other reported adsorbent materials.

Cu _{0.1} Zn _{0.9} @NC	Composites	I-	(pH=3) 235.5	17
Ag ⁰ -UiO-66-(OH) ₂	Composites	I-	531.98	18
Ag ⁺ @UiO-66-(COOH) ₂	MOFs	Ι-	235.5	19
MXene-PDA-Bi ₆ O ₇	Composites	I-	64.65	20
β -Bi ₂ O ₃	Metal oxides	I-	239.5	21
σ-Bi ₂ O ₄ @PES	Composites	Ι-	95.4	22
Purolite A530E	Resins	I-	275.16	23
HDPy-bent	Composites	I-	80	24
Hal/Ag ₂ O-2	Composites	I-	57.5	25
Cu/Al ₂ O ₃ aerogels	Aerogels	I [_]	407.6	26
Alg-BO	Composites	I [_]	111.8	27
SiPyR-N4	Resins	Ι-	124	28
CMPs-1	CMPs	I-	(t=10°C)16.93	29
CAU-17	Composites	Ι-	268.9	30
PGM220%-Ag $^+$	Composites	Ι-	100.82	31
IMF-COP-Fe	Composites (ILs)	I_2/I^-	563.92(700 mg L ⁻¹)/109.90	This work

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