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An Unprecedent Cu₆ Cluster-Based Bimetallic MOF with Multiple Open Sites for High CO₂ Capture and Efficient CO₂ Conversion

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S1. Calculation procedures of selectivity from IAST

The measured experimental data is excess loadings (q^{ex}) of the pure components CO₂, CH₄, C₂H₆ and C₃H₈ for **JLU-MOF108**, which should be converted to absolute loadings (q) firstly.

$$q = q^{ex} + \frac{pV_{pore}}{ZRT} \quad (1)$$

Here Z is the compressibility factor. The Peng-Robinson equation (Eq. 1) is used to estimate the value of compressibility factor to obtain the absolute loading, while the measure pore volume is also necessary.

The dual-site Langmuir-Freundlich equation (Eq. 2) is used for fitting the isotherm data at 298 K.

$$q = q_{m_1} \times \frac{b_1 \times p^{1/n_1}}{1 + b_1 \times p^{1/n_1}} + q_{m_2} \times \frac{b_2 \times p^{1/n_2}}{1 + b_2 \times p^{1/n_2}} \quad (2)$$

Here p is the pressure of the bulk gas at equilibrium with the adsorbed phase (kPa), q is the adsorbed amount per mass of adsorbent (mol kg⁻¹), q_{m1} and q_{m2} are the saturation capacities of sites 1 and 2 (mol kg⁻¹), b_1 and b_2 are the affinity coefficients of sites 1 and 2 (1/kPa), n_1 and n_2 are the deviations from an ideal homogeneous surface.

$$S = \frac{q_1/q_2}{p_1/p_2} \quad (3)$$

The selectivity of preferential adsorption of component 1 over component 2 in a mixture containing 1 and 2, perhaps in the presence of other components too, can be formally defined as q_1 and q_2 are the absolute component loadings of the adsorbed phase in the mixture. These component loadings are also termed the uptake capacities. We calculate the values of q_1 and q_2 using the Ideal Adsorbed Solution Theory (IAST) of Myers and Prausnitz (Eq. 3).

S2. Details of experiments and calculation procedures of catalytic efficiency

In a typical catalytic reaction, epoxide (20 mmol), TBAB (1 mmol, 5 mol %), activated **JLU-MOF108** (0.25 mol % open Cu sites) were put into a 15 mL Schlenk tube with solvent free environment. To activate the MOFs materials, the as-synthesized samples were activated with the exchange of methanol solvent 12 times in 2 days. After that, the samples were dried in the vacuum condition for 10 h at 70 °C and collected the MOFs for further cycloaddition reaction.

Before the reaction, pump out the air inside Schlenk tube/high pressure reactor and fill in pure CO₂. After 3 times pump-fill procedure, turn to specific conditions (1 bar, 25°C for PO and 80 °C for other epoxides in Schlenk tube). The stirring speed was 400 rpm (the speed could slow down for PO in order to reduce PO's low-boiling-point volatilization in continuous stirring). After centrifuging to recycle the catalyst, a little supernatant reaction mixture was taken to analyze by ¹H-NMR.

The yields of PO, 1, 2-epoxy-3-phenoxypropane, glycidyl-2-methylphenyl ether and cyclohexene oxide (H_a for epoxides and H_{a'} for carbonates, respectively) catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** were calculated according to the following equation (Eq. 4).

$$Yield(\%) = \frac{I_{H_a'}}{I_{H_a} + I_{H_a'}} \times 100\% \quad (4)$$

The yield of SO to styrene carbonate were determined by calculation of the ^1H NMR integrals of corresponding highlighted protons in styrene oxide (H_a), styrene carbonate ($\text{H}_{a'}$) and phenyl group (H_b-H_f) (from SO, styrene carbonate and other by-products) according to the following equation (Eq. 5).

$$Yield(\%) = \frac{5 \times I_{\text{H}_{a'}}}{I_{\text{H}_b - \text{H}_f}} \times 100\% \quad (5)$$

The calculation of TON (turnover number) and TOF (turnover frequency) values are according to the following equations:

$$TON = \frac{N_{Product}(\text{mmol})}{N_{MOF}(\text{mmol})}$$

$$TOF(h^{-1}) = \frac{N_{Product}(\text{mmol})}{N_{MOF}(\text{mmol}) \times time(h)}$$

S3. Supporting Figures

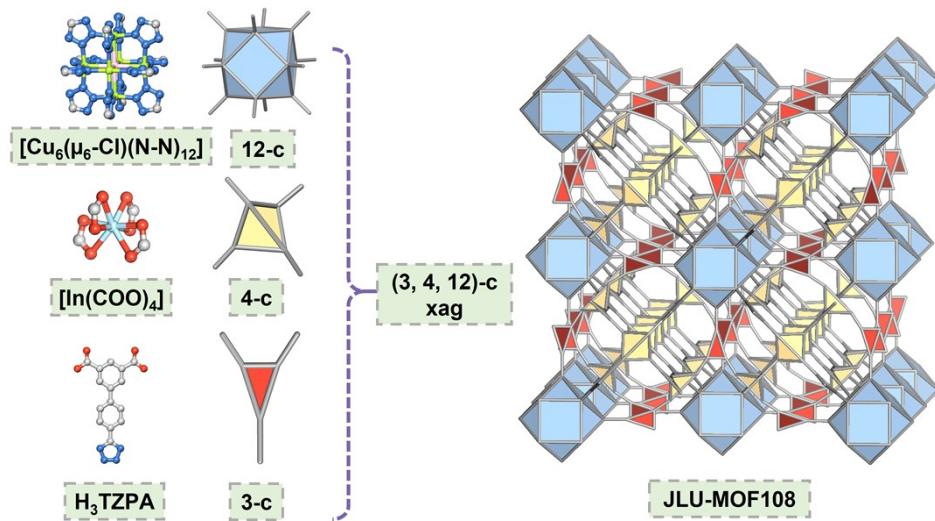


Figure S1 The hexa-nuclear copper cluster SBU and indium SBU in the structure of **JLU-MOF108**.

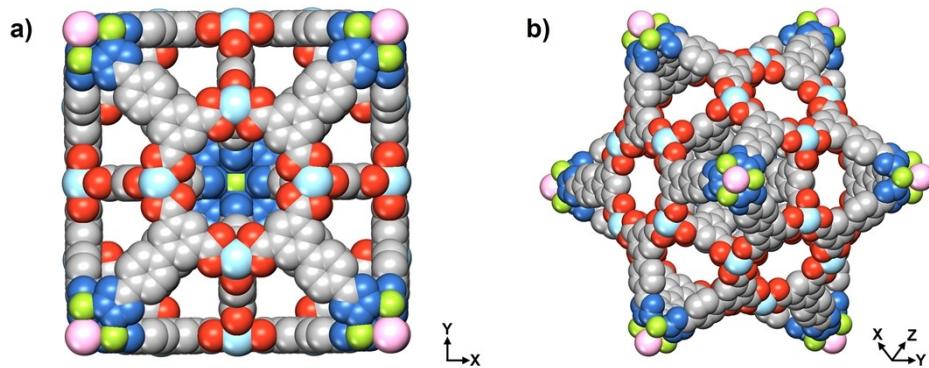


Figure S2 Space-filling view of **JLU-MOF108** with multiple pores along the [001] (a) and [111] (b) direction, respectively.

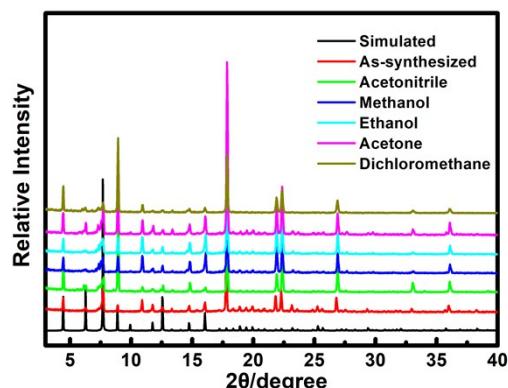


Figure S3 PXRD patterns of **JLU-MOF108** soaking in different organic solvents.

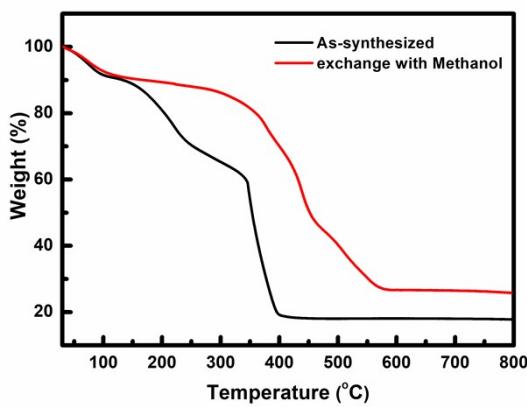


Figure S4 Thermogravimetric analysis curves of **JLU-MOF108** for the as-synthesized sample and methanol exchanged sample.

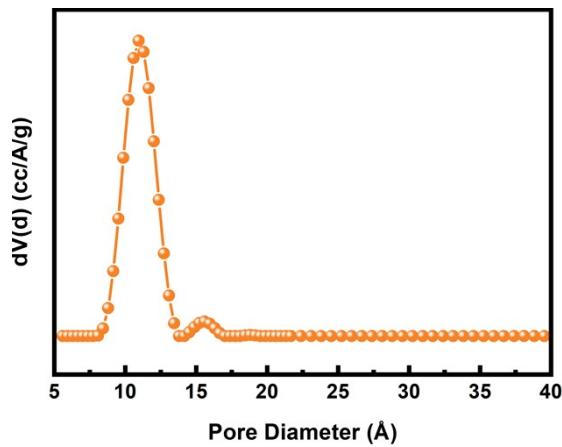


Figure S5 Pore size distribution of **JLU-MOF108**.

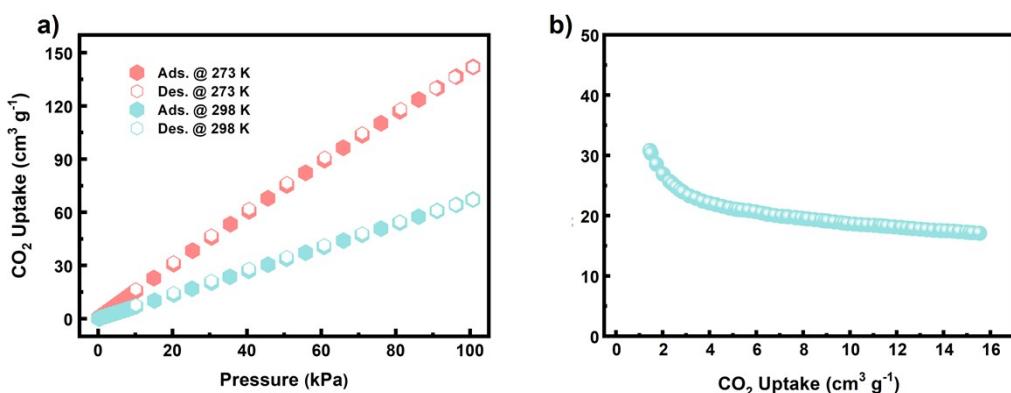


Figure S6 (a) CO₂ adsorption isotherms of **JLU-MOF108** at 273 K and 298 K; (b) Q_{st} of CO₂ for **JLU-MOF108**.

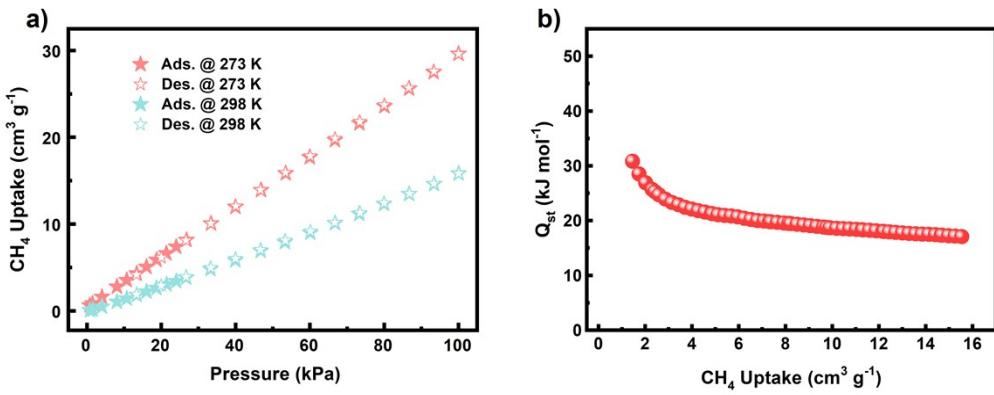


Figure S7 (a) CH_4 adsorption isotherms of **JLU-MOF108** at 273 K and 298 K; (b) Q_{st} of CH_4 for **JLU-MOF108**.

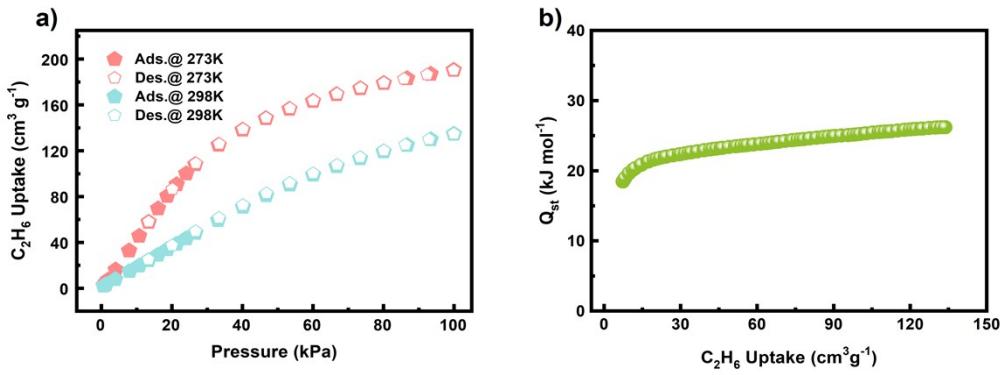


Figure S8 (a) C_2H_6 adsorption isotherms of **JLU-MOF108** at 273 K and 298 K; (b) Q_{st} of C_2H_6 for **JLU-MOF108**.

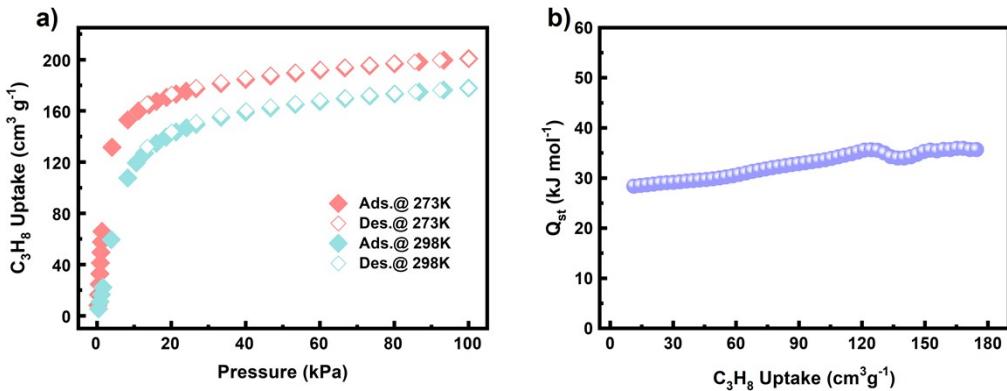


Figure S9 (a) C_3H_8 adsorption isotherms of **JLU-MOF108** at 273 K and 298 K; (b) Q_{st} of C_3H_8 for **JLU-MOF108**.

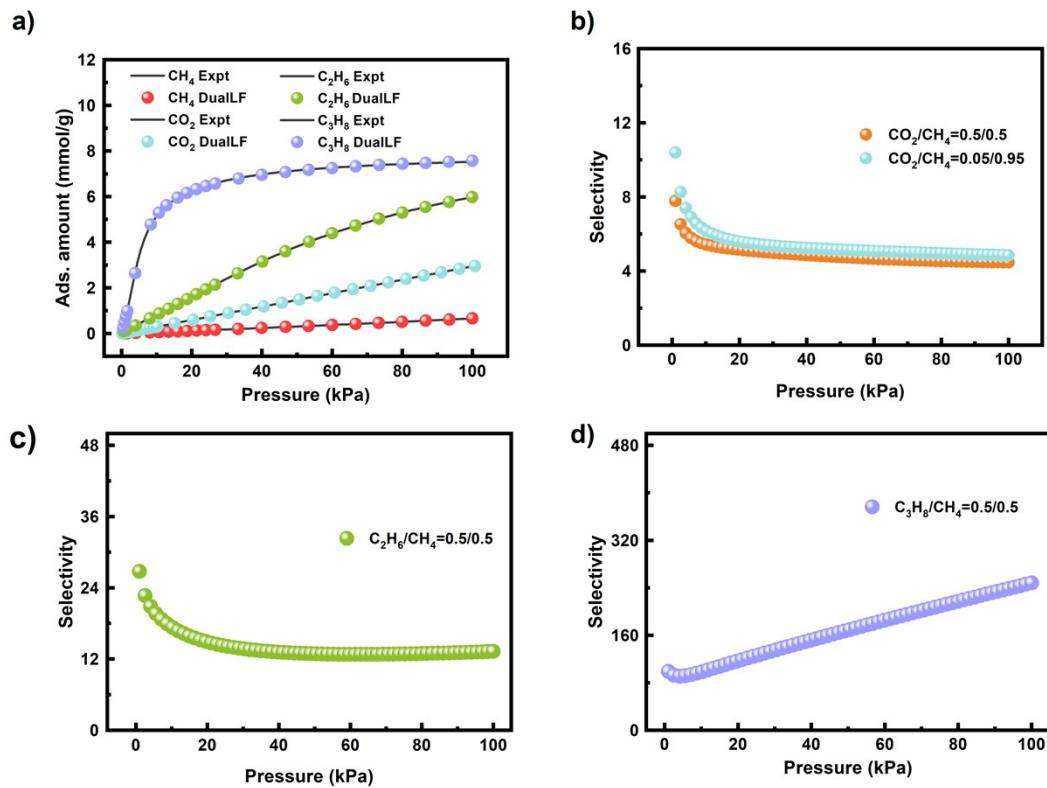


Figure S10 Gas adsorption isotherms at 298 K along with the dual-site Langmuir Freundlich (DSLF) fits (a) and adsorption selectivity predicted by the ideal adsorbed solution theory (IAST) at 298 K, 1 atm for **JLU-MOF108** (b, c and d).

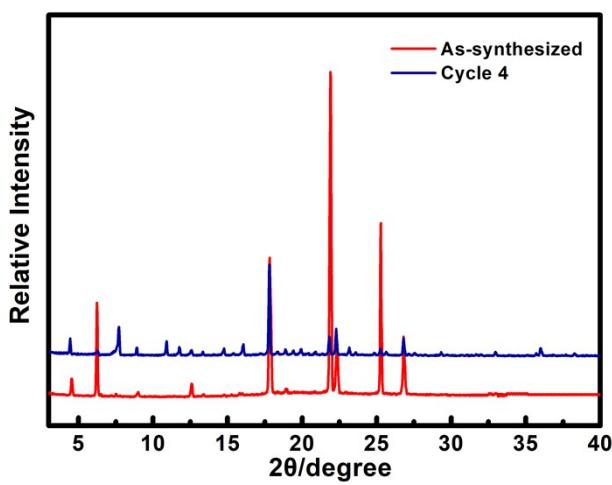


Figure S11 PXRD patterns of **JLU-MOF108** after 4 times recycled.

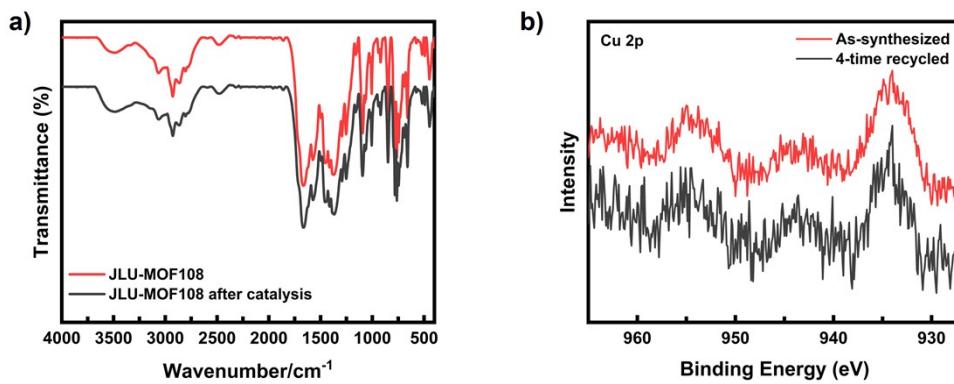


Figure S12 (a) IR spectra of **JLU-MOF108** and after 4 times recycled. (b) XPS spectra of **JLU-MOF108** and after 4 times recycled.

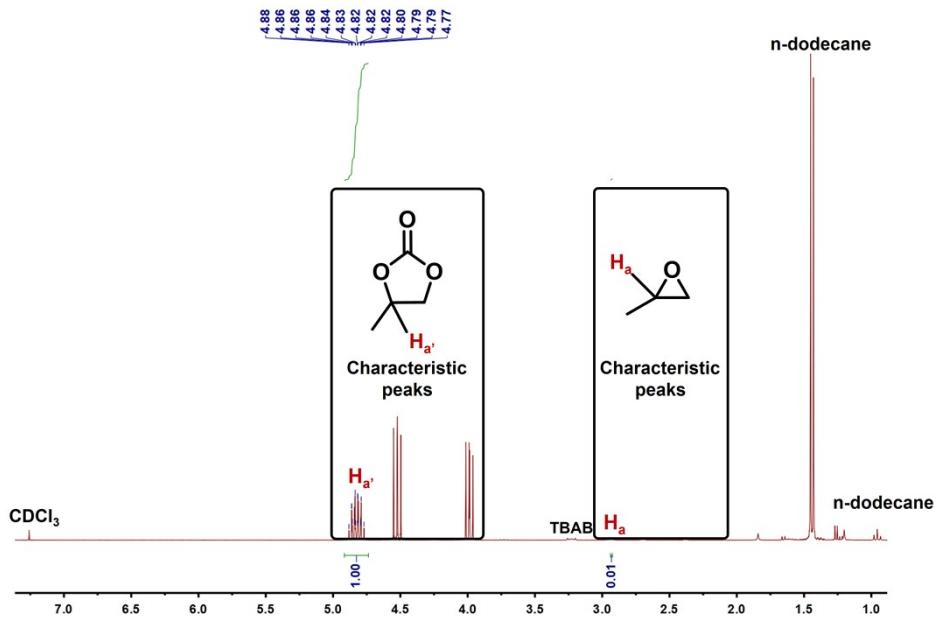


Figure S13 1H NMR spectrum of the mixture produced by cycloaddition reaction of propylene oxide catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** in $CDCl_3$. n-dodecane was used as internal standard.

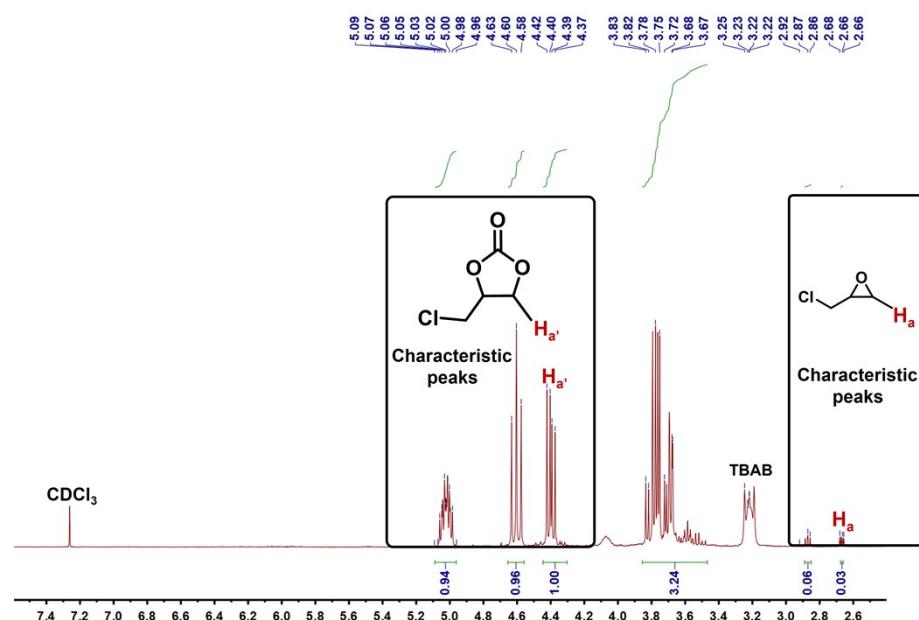


Figure S14 1H NMR spectrum of the mixture produced by cycloaddition reaction of epichlorohydrin catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** in $CDCl_3$. n-dodecane was used as internal standard.

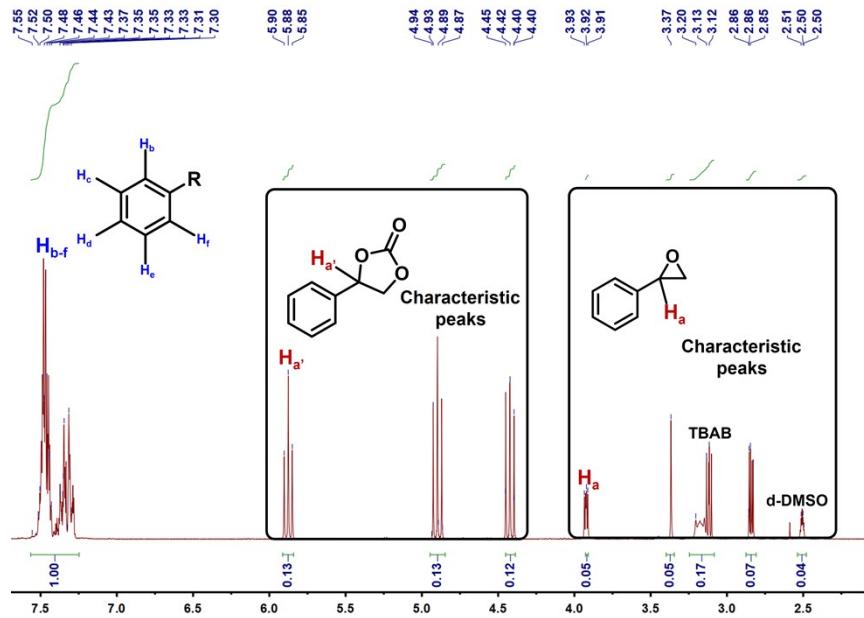


Figure S15 ^1H NMR spectrum of the mixture produced by cycloaddition reaction of styrene oxide catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** in d-DMSO.

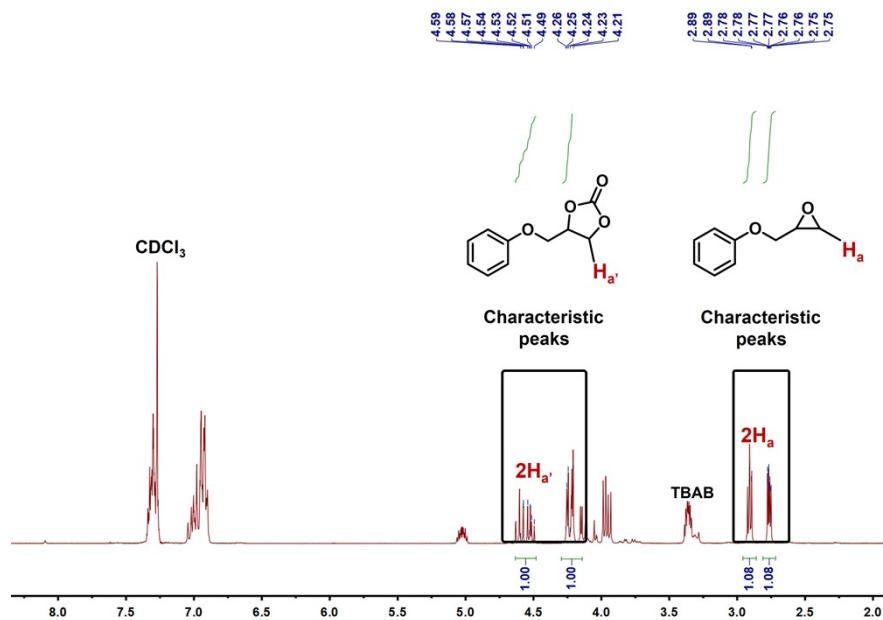


Figure S16 ^1H NMR spectrum of the mixture produced by cycloaddition reaction of 1, 2-epoxy-3-phenoxypropane catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** in CDCl_3 .

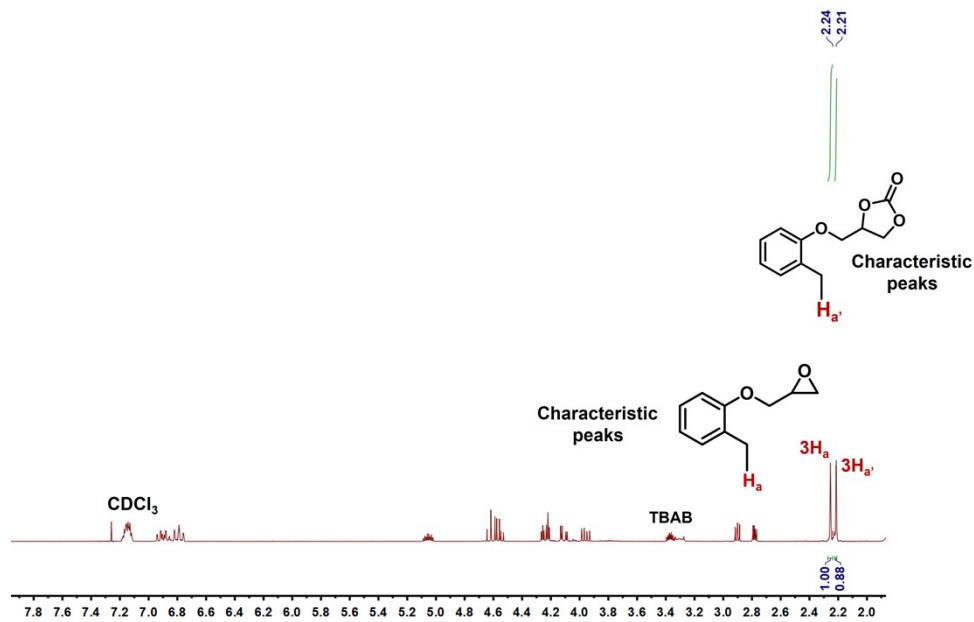


Figure S17 ¹H NMR spectrum of the mixture produced by cycloaddition reaction of glycidyl-2-methylphenyl ether catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** in CDCl₃.

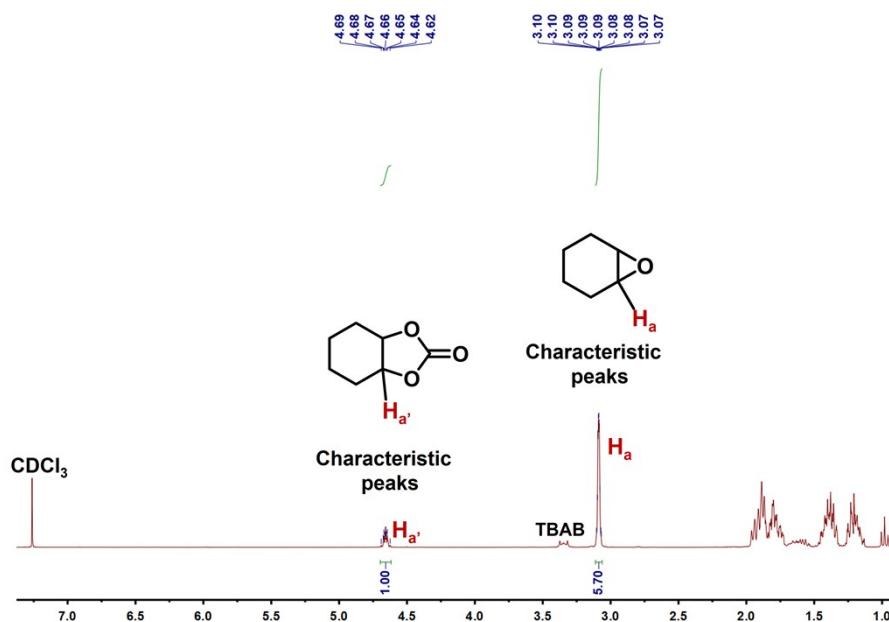


Figure S18 ¹H NMR spectrum of the mixture produced by cycloaddition reaction of cyclohexene oxide catalyzed by **JLU-MOF108** in CDCl₃.

S4. Supporting Tables

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinements for **JLU-MOF108**.

| compound | JLU-MOF108 |
|---|---|
| Formula | C ₂₂₁ H ₂₀₃ ClCu ₆ In ₆ N ₆₁ O _{60.5} |
| Formula weight | 5829.07 |
| Temperature (K) | 293(2) |
| Wavelength (Å) | 0.71073 |
| Crystal system | Cubic |
| Space group | <i>Im-3m</i> |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 28.162(3) |
| <i>b</i> (Å) | 28.162(3) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 28.162(3) |
| α (°) | 90 |
| β (°) | 90 |
| γ (°) | 90 |
| <i>V</i> (Å ³) | 22335(8) |
| <i>Z</i> , <i>D_c</i> (Mg/m ³) | 2, 0.867 |
| <i>F</i> (000) | 5892 |
| ϑ range (deg) | 1.023-25.051 |
| reflns collected/unique | 64267/1932 |
| <i>R</i> _{int} | 0.0612 |
| data/restraints/params | 1932/24/83 |
| GOF on <i>F</i> ² | 1.065 |
| <i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ ($ I >2\sigma(I)$) | 0.0418, 0.1256 |
| <i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ (all data) | 0.0503, 0.1317 |
| CCDC No. | 2338522 |

Table S2. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **JLU-MOF108**.

| JLU-MOF108 | | | |
|---------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|
| In(1)-O(2) | 2.200(3) | O(2)#3-In(1)-O(1) | 134.35(10) |
| In(1)-O(2)#1 | 2.200(3) | O(1)#3-In(1)-O(1) | 77.98(13) |
| In(1)-O(2)#2 | 2.200(3) | O(1)#2-In(1)-O(1) | 127.16(8) |
| In(1)-O(2)#3 | 2.200(3) | O(1)#1-In(1)-O(1) | 127.16(8) |
| In(1)-O(1)#3 | 2.390(3) | O(2)-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 87.88(3) |
| In(1)-O(1)#2 | 2.390(3) | O(2)#1-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 162.03(13) |
| In(1)-O(1)#1 | 2.390(3) | O(2)#2-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 28.70(12) |
| In(1)-O(1) | 2.390(3) | O(2)#3-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 87.88(3) |
| In(1)-C(10)#2 | 2.644(4) | O(1)#3-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 107.93(8) |
| In(1)-C(10)#3 | 2.644(4) | O(1)#2-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 27.67(11) |
| In(1)-C(10)#1 | 2.644(4) | O(1)#1-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 105.66(12) |
| In(1)-C(10) | 2.644(4) | O(1)-In(1)-C(10)#2 | 107.93(8) |
| Cu(1)-N(2)#4 | 1.975(3) | O(2)-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 162.03(13) |
| Cu(1)-N(2)#5 | 1.975(3) | O(2)#1-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 87.88(3) |
| Cu(1)-N(2)#6 | 1.975(3) | O(2)#2-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 87.88(3) |
| Cu(1)-N(2) | 1.975(3) | O(2)#3-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 28.70(12) |
| Cu(1)-Cl(1) | 2.7176(9) | O(1)#3-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 27.67(11) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(2)#1 | 90.500(15) | O(1)#2-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 107.93(8) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(2)#2 | 90.500(15) | O(1)#1-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 107.93(8) |
| O(2)#1-In(1)-O(2)#2 | 169.28(16) | O(1)-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 105.66(12) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(2)#3 | 169.28(16) | C(10)#2-In(1)-C(10)#3 | 99.03(7) |
| O(2)#1-In(1)-O(2)#3 | 90.500(15) | O(2)-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 87.88(3) |
| O(2)#2-In(1)-O(2)#3 | 90.500(15) | O(2)#1-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 28.70(12) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(1)#3 | 134.35(10) | O(2)#2-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 162.03(13) |
| O(2)#1-In(1)-O(1)#3 | 85.83(6) | O(2)#3-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 87.88(3) |
| O(2)#2-In(1)-O(1)#3 | 85.83(6) | O(1)#3-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 107.93(8) |
| O(2)#3-In(1)-O(1)#3 | 56.37(10) | O(1)#2-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 105.66(12) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(1)#2 | 85.83(6) | O(1)#1-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 27.67(11) |
| O(2)#1-In(1)-O(1)#2 | 134.35(10) | O(1)-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 107.93(8) |
| O(2)#2-In(1)-O(1)#2 | 56.37(10) | C(10)#2-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 133.33(19) |
| O(2)#3-In(1)-O(1)#2 | 85.83(6) | C(10)#3-In(1)-C(10)#1 | 99.03(7) |
| O(1)#3-In(1)-O(1)#2 | 127.16(8) | O(2)-In(1)-C(10) | 28.70(12) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(1)#1 | 85.83(6) | O(2)#1-In(1)-C(10) | 87.88(3) |
| O(2)#1-In(1)-O(1)#1 | 56.37(10) | O(2)#2-In(1)-C(10) | 87.88(3) |
| O(2)#2-In(1)-O(1)#1 | 134.35(10) | O(2)#3-In(1)-C(10) | 162.02(13) |
| O(2)#3-In(1)-O(1)#1 | 85.83(6) | O(1)#3-In(1)-C(10) | 105.65(12) |
| O(1)#3-In(1)-O(1)#1 | 127.16(8) | O(1)#2-In(1)-C(10) | 107.93(8) |
| O(1)#2-In(1)-O(1)#1 | 77.98(13) | O(1)#1-In(1)-C(10) | 107.93(8) |
| O(2)-In(1)-O(1) | 56.37(10) | O(1)-In(1)-C(10) | 27.67(11) |
| O(2)#1-In(1)-O(1) | 85.83(6) | C(10)#2-In(1)-C(10) | 99.03(7) |
| O(2)#2-In(1)-O(1) | 85.83(6) | C(10)#3-In(1)-C(10) | 133.33(19) |

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|---------|
| C(10)#3-In(1)-C(10) | 133.33(19) | Cu(1)#10-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#13 | 90.0 |
| C(10)#1-In(1)-C(10) | 99.03(7) | Cu(1)#11-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#13 | 90.0 |
| N(2)#4-Cu(1)-N(2)#5 | 170.23(19) | Cu(1)#12-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#13 | 90.0 |
| N(2)#4-Cu(1)-N(2)#6 | 89.585(17) | Cu(1)#10-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#14 | 90.0 |
| N(2)#5-Cu(1)-N(2)#6 | 89.584(17) | Cu(1)#11-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#14 | 90.0 |
| N(2)#4-Cu(1)-N(2) | 89.584(17) | Cu(1)#12-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#14 | 90.0 |
| N(2)#5-Cu(1)-N(2) | 89.584(17) | Cu(1)#13-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#14 | 180.0 |
| N(2)#6-Cu(1)-N(2) | 170.23(19) | Cu(1)#10-Cl(1)-Cu(1) | 90.0 |
| N(2)#4-Cu(1)-Cl(1) | 94.89(10) | Cu(1)#11-Cl(1)-Cu(1) | 90.0 |
| N(2)#5-Cu(1)-Cl(1) | 94.89(10) | Cu(1)#12-Cl(1)-Cu(1) | 180.0 |
| N(2)#6-Cu(1)-Cl(1) | 94.89(10) | Cu(1)#13-Cl(1)-Cu(1) | 90.0 |
| N(2)-Cu(1)-Cl(1) | 94.89(10) | Cu(1)#14-Cl(1)-Cu(1) | 90.0 |
| Cu(1)#10-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#11 | 180.0 | C(10)-O(1)-In(1) | 87.7(3) |
| Cu(1)#10-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#12 | 90.0 | C(10)-O(2)-In(1) | 95.4(3) |
| Cu(1)#11-Cl(1)-Cu(1)#12 | 90.0 | | |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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#1 -z+1/2,-y+1/2,x-1/2 #2 z+1/2,-y+1/2,x-1/2 #3 x,y,-z #4 y,x,z #5 -y+1,-x+1,z #6 -x+1,-y+1,z #7 -x+1,z,y #8 -x+1,y,z #9 x,z,y #10 -y+1,-z+1,-x+1 #11 y,z,x #12 -x+1,-y+1,-z+1 #13 z,x,y #14 -z+1,-x+1,-y+1
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Table S3. Comparisons of CO₂ uptakes for selected MOFs materials (under 1 atm, at 273 K).

| Compounds | 273 K CO ₂ uptake (mmol g ⁻¹) | Reference |
|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| ZJU-12 | 10.6 | 1 |
| Cu-TDPAT | 10.1 | 2 |
| JLU-Liu21 | 9.3 | 3 |
| Cu ₂ (abtc) ₃ | 8.7 | 4 |
| CPM-733 | 7.6 | 5 |
| JLU-MOF107 | 7.6 | 6 |
| JLU-Liu20 | 7.2 | 3 |
| JLU-MOF108 | 6.3 | This work |
| CPM-33a | 6.1 | 7 |
| IFMC | 4.1 | 8 |
| NH ₂ -MIL-125 | 4.0 | 9 |
| USTC-253 | 3.7 | 10 |
| UiO-66-AD4 | 3.6 | 11 |
| SNU-M10 | 3.3 | 12 |
| MAF-23 | 3.3 | 13 |
| 1 | 2.8 | 14 |
| TMOF-1 | 2.2 | 15 |
| SNU-5 | 0.9 | 4 |

Table S4. Comparisons of CO₂ uptakes for selected MOFs materials (under 1 atm, at 298 K).

| Compounds | 298 K CO ₂ uptake (mmol g ⁻¹) | Reference |
|-----------------------------|--|------------------|
| Li@HKUST-1 | 10.6 | 16 |
| Ni-4PyC | 8.2 | 17 |
| CPO-27-Mg | 7.1 | 18 |
| JLU-Liu21 | 5.5 | 3 |
| JLU-MOF107 | 4.7 | 6 |
| JLU-MOF108 | 3.0 | This work |
| SIFSIX-3-Ni | 2.8 | 19 |
| FS-CuBTC _{UM} | 2.7 | 20 |
| MAF-23 | 2.5 | 13 |
| Zn-atz-oba | 2.5 | 21 |
| SU-101 | 2.4 | 22 |
| JNU-2 | 2.2 | 23 |
| TIFSIX-3-Ni | 2.1 | 24 |
| LIFM-210 | 2.0 | 25 |
| ZNU-1 | 1.7 | 26 |
| NH ₂ -MIL-53(Al) | 1.5 | 27 |
| F-PYMO-Cu | 1.4 | 28 |

Table S5. Comparisons of some reported MOFs-based catalysts in cycloaddition reaction of CO₂ with ECH under respectively optimized conditions ^a.

| MOFs-based catalyst | T/°C | P/bar | t/h | Yield/% | TOF/h ⁻¹ | Ref. |
|--|------|-------|-----|---------|---------------------|-----------|
| VPI-100(Ni) | 90 | 10 | 6 | 98 | 75.0 | 29 |
| VPI-100(Cu) | 90 | 10 | 6 | 95 | 72.6 | 29 |
| PIP-Bn-Cl | 100 | 1 | 3 | > 99 | 71.9 | 30 |
| Hf-VPI-100(Cu) | 90 | 1.5 | 6 | 97 | 63.4 | 31 |
| Hf-VPI-100(Ni) | 90 | 1.5 | 6 | 90 | 58.4 | 31 |
| Zn _{0.75} Mg _{0.25} -MOF-74 | 60 | 8 | 5 | 98 | 33.2 | 32 |
| JLU-MOF108 | 80 | 1 | 12 | 97 | 32.3 | This work |
| Compound 2 | 80 | 1 | 12 | 96 | 32.0 | 33 |
| 1 | 28 | 1 | 16 | > 99 | 25.0 | 34 |
| PCN-700-Me ₂ | 50 | 1 | 10 | 92 | 24.2 | 35 |
| Mn-MOF-1a | 80 | 4 | 12 | 96 | 21.3 | 36 |
| FJI-C10 | 60 | 1 | 24 | 87 | 20.6 | 37 |
| MIL-IMAc-Br ⁻ | 60 | 5 | 20 | 89.1 | 19.7 | 38 |
| PCP-33 | 80 | 1 | 12 | 79 | 13.0 | 39 |
| FJI-H14 | 80 | 1 | 24 | 95 | 8.2 | 40 |
| JLU-Liu21 | 80 | 1 | 48 | 92 | 7.7 | 41 |
| PCP-34 | 80 | 1 | 12 | 72 | 6.0 | 39 |
| PNU-25-NH ₂ | 55 | 1 | 18 | 92 | 5.1 | 42 |
| [Zn(chdc)(L)] H ₂ O | 80 | 10 | 18 | 91 | 2.8 | 43 |
| Gd ₇ (cda) ₆ (HCOO) ₃ (OH) ₆ (H ₂ O) ₈ | 80 | 1 | 12 | > 99 | 2.7 | 44 |

^a The catalytic results about yield and TOF are according to cited references or calculated from respective crystallographic data.

Table S6. Sizes of epoxides selected for the experiments.

| Epoxides | Size (Å ³) |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Propylene oxide | 6.1 × 4.4 × 5.0 |
| Epichlorohydrin | 7.2 × 5.6 × 5.1 |
| Styrene oxide | 9.3 × 6.9 × 4.6 |
| 1,2-epoxy-3-phenoxypropane | 12.5 × 7.1× 5.4 |
| Glycidyl-2-methylphenyl ether | 12.6 × 7.8 × 5.2 |
| Cyclohexene oxide | 6.5 × 7.0× 5.0 |

Table S7. ICP-OES analysis of Cu²⁺ and In³⁺ after the 4 times recycled reaction.

| Catalyst | Cu ²⁺ concentration (ppm) | In ³⁺ concentration (ppm) |
|------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| JLU-MOF108 | 0.0277 | 0.0124 |

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