



Engineering Accessible Adsorption Sites in Metal Organic Frameworks for CO₂ Capture

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Background

Carbon dioxide (CO_2) capture and storage (CCS) is a process consisting of the separation of CO_2 from industrial and energy-related sources, transport to a storage location and long-term isolation from the atmosphere.

Post-combustion capture

Post-combustion CO_2 capture refers to removal of CO_2 from the flue gas produced from fossil fuel combustion

The Post-Combustion Technology Area includes three key technologies:

- Solvents
- Membranes
- Sorbents



Solid sorbent

Zeolites Carbonates Amine-rich sorbents Metal-organic frameworks

Focus

- Low-cost raw materials,
- thermal and chemical stability
- low attrition rates,
- low heat capacity,
- high CO₂adsorption capacity, and high CO₂selectivity

MOF-5: Yaghi and co-workers, Nature 1999 vol. 402

Background

Metal-organic frameworks are porous materials that can exhibit very high surface areas that have potential for applications such as gas storage and separation



Key MOF properties

- High surface areas (e.g. 10,000 m²/g)
- Uniform channels,
- Thermal stability
- Adjustable chemical functionalities

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Four crucial developments of MOF

- 1. The invention and expansion of reticular chemistry
- 2. The marriage of molecular chemistry with framework chemistry
- 3. The discovery of ultra high surface area and porosity
- 4. The concept of "heterogeneity within order"

Metal-Organic Frameworks (MOFs)



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Research goal and objectives

GOAL: To develop metal organic framework (MOFs) materials with improved sites accessibility, thus enhance their CO_2 adsorption and selectivity properties

OBJECTIVES

- To synthesize MOFs with metal ions adsorption sites in more accessible locations;
- To synthesize MOFs with nitrogen containing-ligand/linker as a possible improved alternative sorbent; and
- To understand the nature of the adsorption sites and mechanism(s) by computational studies relevant to the adsorption of CO₂ within our metal organic frameworks.

MOFs with accessible adsorption sites

Coordinatively unsaturated metal sites



Ligands with heteroatoms





Chen, De-Li, et al. *Chemical Engineering Science*, vol. 117, 2014, pp. 407–415

Ligands of interest



Pyrazine based metal-organic frameworks



3D framework

CO₂ adsorption capacity

1.36 mmol/g = 5.9 wt% at 273K 1.34 mmol/g = 5.8 wt% at 298K

Ingram et al. CrystEngComm, 2015,17, 5377-5388

Pyrazine based metal-organic frameworks



Golafale et al Inorganica Chimica Acta, 467, 163-168.

Pyrazine based metal-organic frameworks



1D Calcium





3D manganese

2D zinc

Golafale et al Inorganica Chimica Acta, 2017, 467, 163-168.

Pyrazine based zirconium metal-organic framework





Amine based stilbene metal-organic frameworks

Golafale et al Inorganica Chimica Acta, 2018

Nitro based stilbene metal-organic frameworks



CO₂ adsorption studies



CO₂ adsorption

- CO₂ adsorption capacity
- Sample degassed at 120 degrees for 24 hours
- Analysis carried out at 273 and 298 K from 0 to 1 atm.
- Plot of quantity adsorbed vs pressure



X-ray diffraction pattern

CO2 adsorption isotherms: nitrostilbene cobalt MOF



0.6 mmol/g = 2.6 wt% at 29817



Naphthalene based zirconium and hafnium metal-organic frameworks



Naphthalene based zirconium and hafnium CO2 adsorption isotherms



Summary/Future work

Sample	Temperature (K)	Loading (mmol/g)	Loading (wt%)	Heat of adsorption (kJ/mol)
GdPZTC	273	1.36	5.9	28.5
GdPZTC	298	1.34	5.8	
CoDNSDC	273	1.2	5.3	27
CoDNSDC	298	0.6	2.6	
ZrNDC	273	3.3	14.5	24.6
ZrNDC	298	1.5	6.6	
HfNDC	273	2.0	8.8	24
HfNDC	298	1.0	4.4	
ZrPZDC	273	0.6	2.6	

All samples were analyzed in pressure range of 0 to 1 atmosphere

Summary/Future work

- 1. Metal-organic frameworks with accessible adsorption sites have been successfully designed, synthesized and CO₂ adsorption capacity determined
- 2. Demonstrated the use of rigid and extended linkers/ligands to large pores MOFs
- 3. Demonstrated the use of different heteroatoms in MOFs to improve CO₂ access to adsorption sites
- 4. Investigate specific adsorption sites within MOFs
- 5. Investigate nitrogen adsorption to determine surface area, pore size, etc.

Summary/Future work





MOF with open metal sites

Recent publications

Mathis II, S. R., **Golafale, S. T**., Bacsa, J., Steiner, A., Ingram, C. W., Doty, F. P., & Hattar, K. (2017). Mesoporous stilbene-based lanthanide metal organic frameworks: synthesis, photoluminescence and radioluminescence characteristics. *Dalton Transactions*, 2016, *46*(2), 491-500.

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Mathis, S.R., II; **Golafale, S.T**.; Solntsev, K.M.; Ingram, C.W. Anthracene-Based Lanthanide Metal-Organic Frameworks: Synthesis, Structure, Photoluminescence, and Radioluminescence Properties. *Crystals* **2018**, *8*, 53.

Accepted Manuscript

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