

CO₂ Storage and Separation in Metal Organic Frameworks

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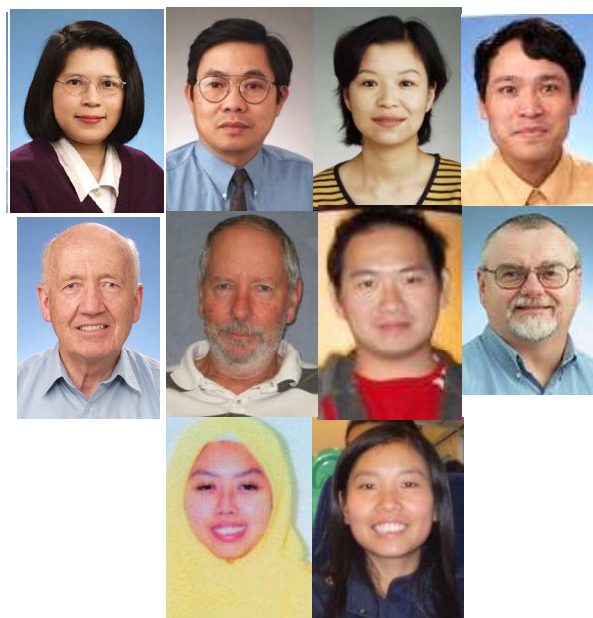
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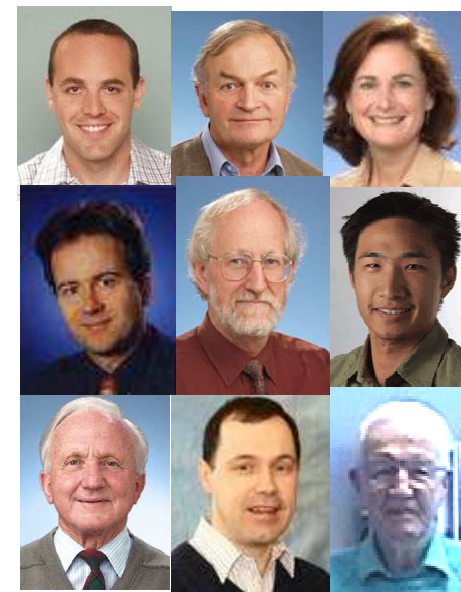
Nanoporous Materials



Environmental Catalysis and Membranes

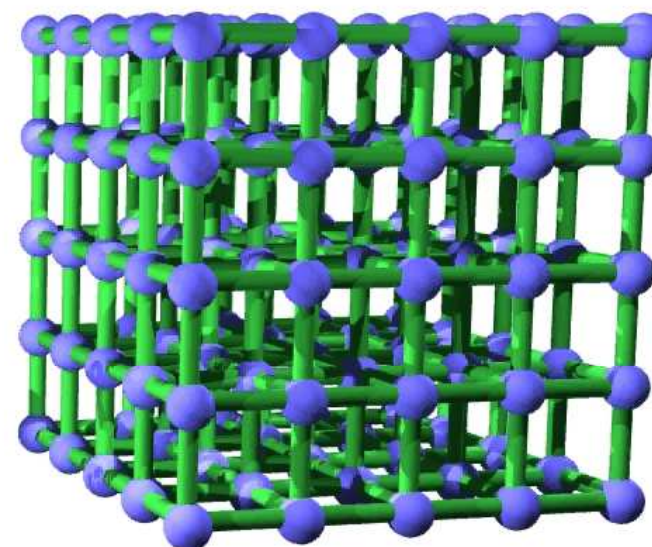
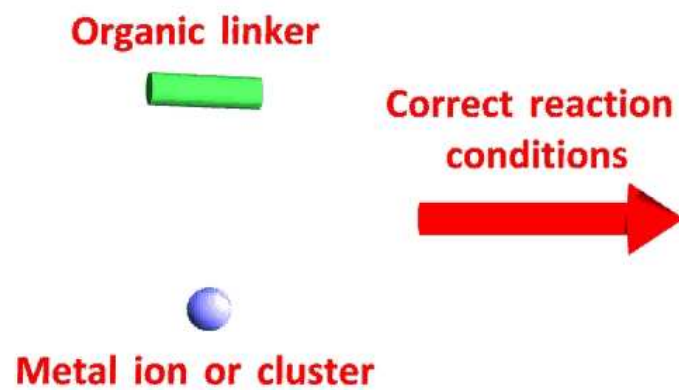


Active Nanostructures



Soft Matter Chemistry and Physics



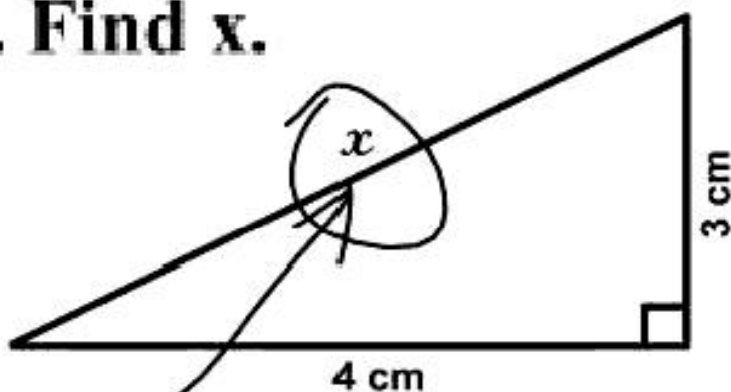


Metal Organic Framework (MOF)

MOF synthesis is hard!!!

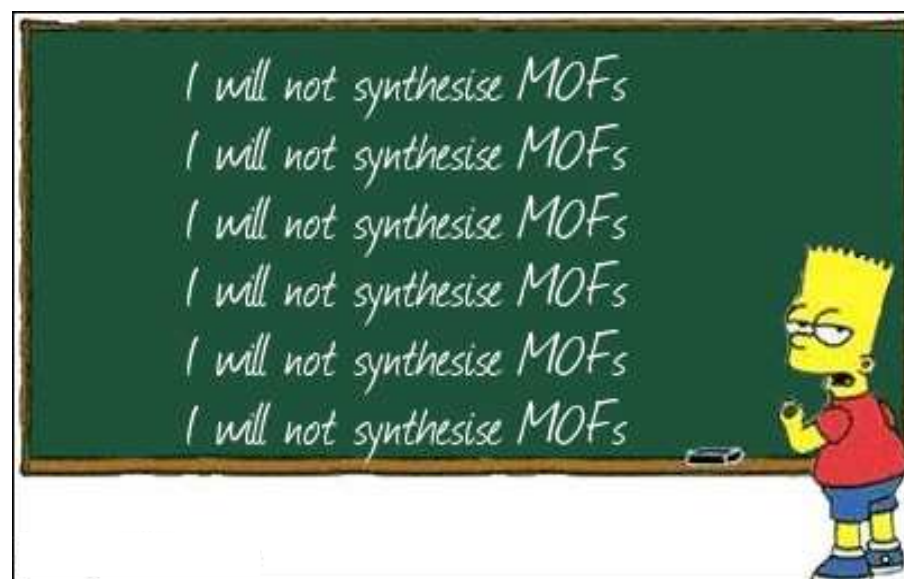
Geometry
(coordination chemistry)

3. Find x .



Here it is

Repetition
(polymer chemistry)



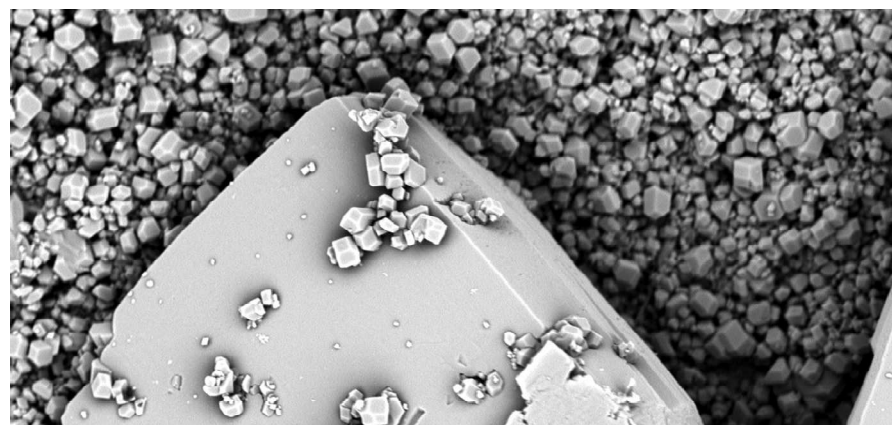
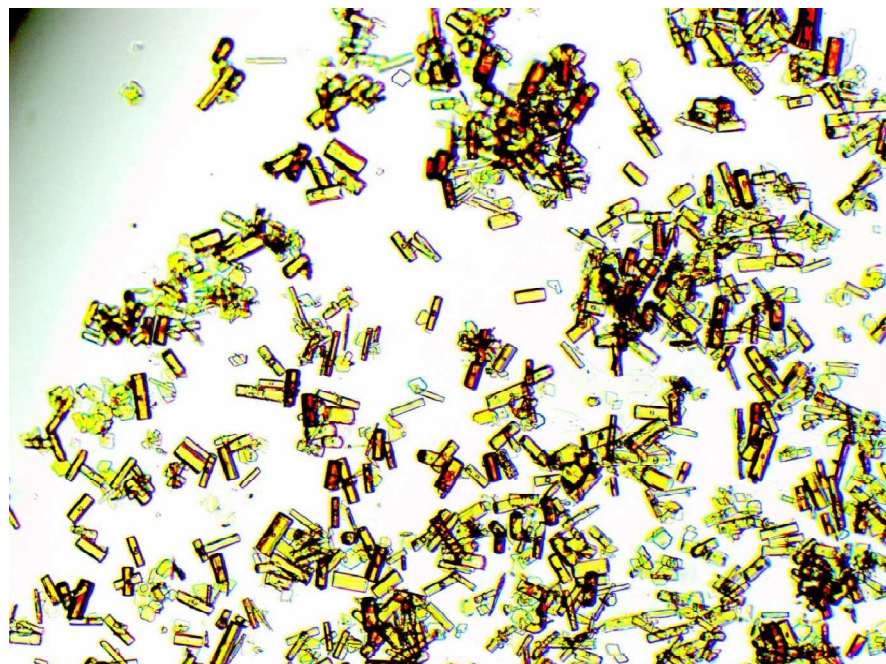
MOFs (aka Coordination polymers) require coordination chemistry + polymer chemistry simultaneously.

High Throughput Synthesis of MOFs



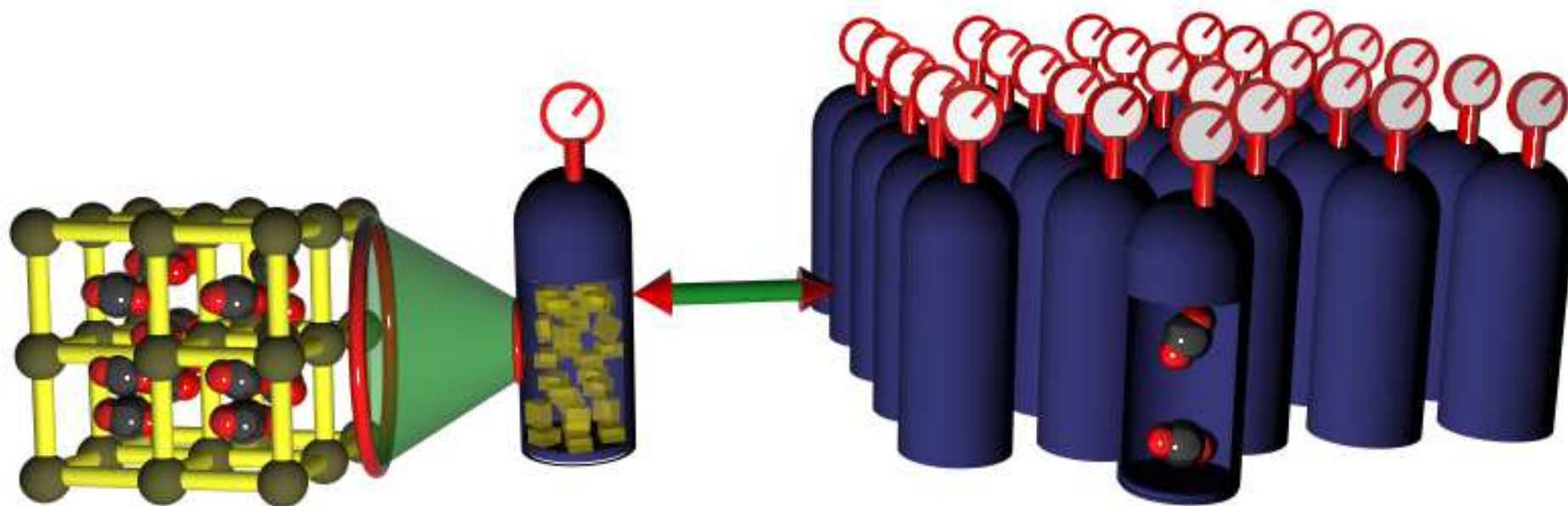
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What MOFs look like

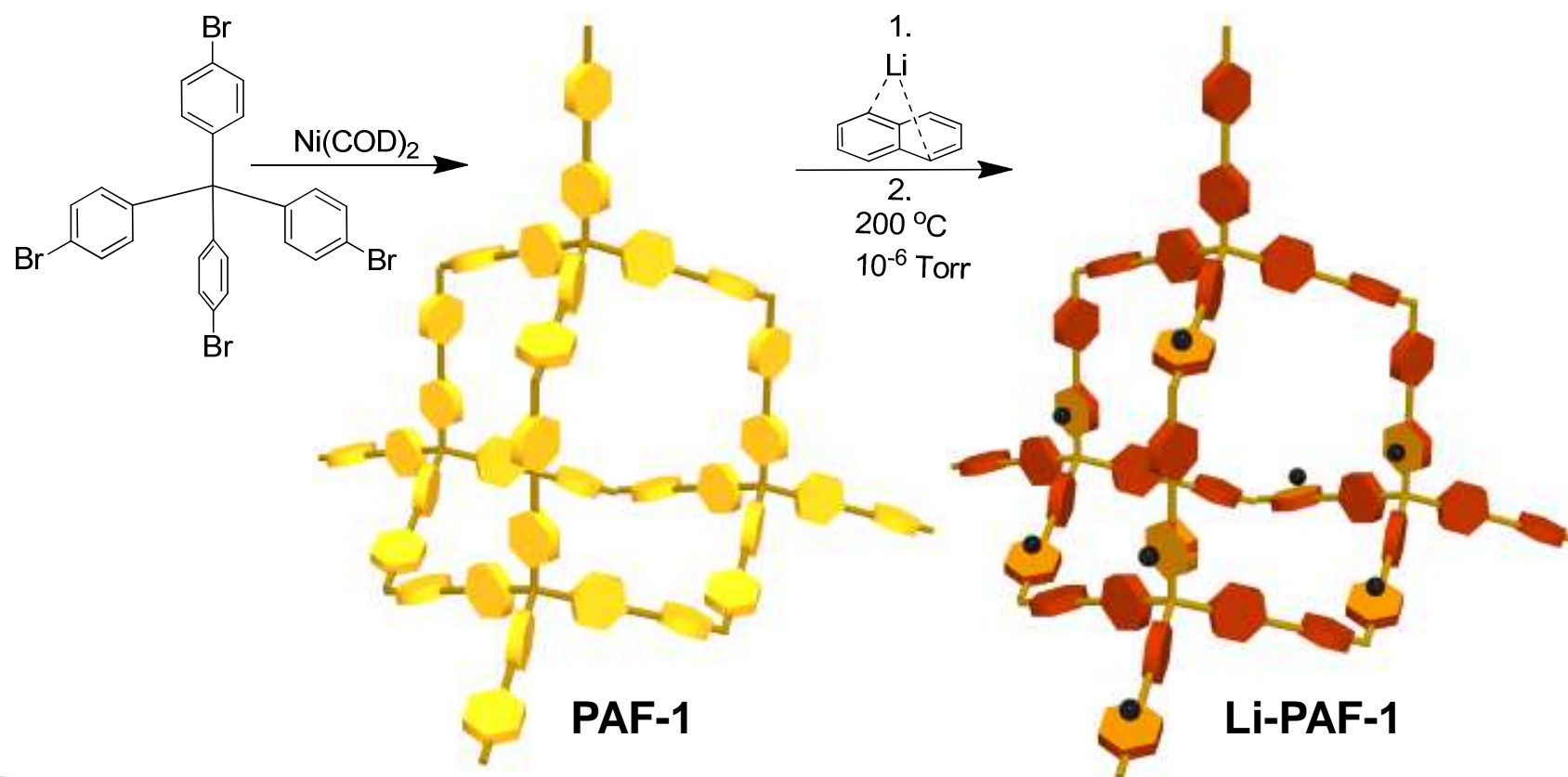


- ▶ Similar to salt or sugar crystals.
- ▶ Crystalline particles between ~20 nm and 2 mm.

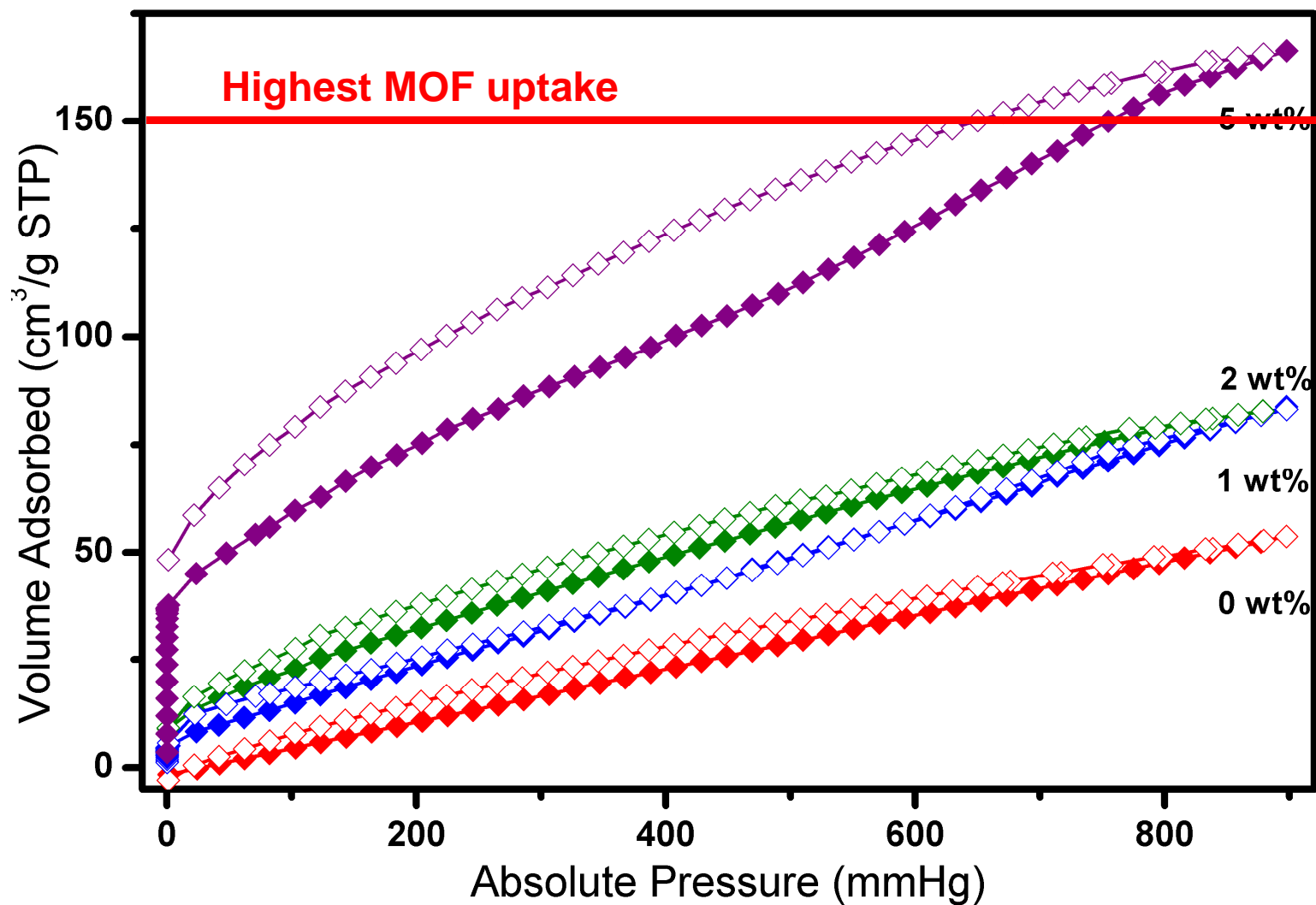
Gas Storage in MOFs



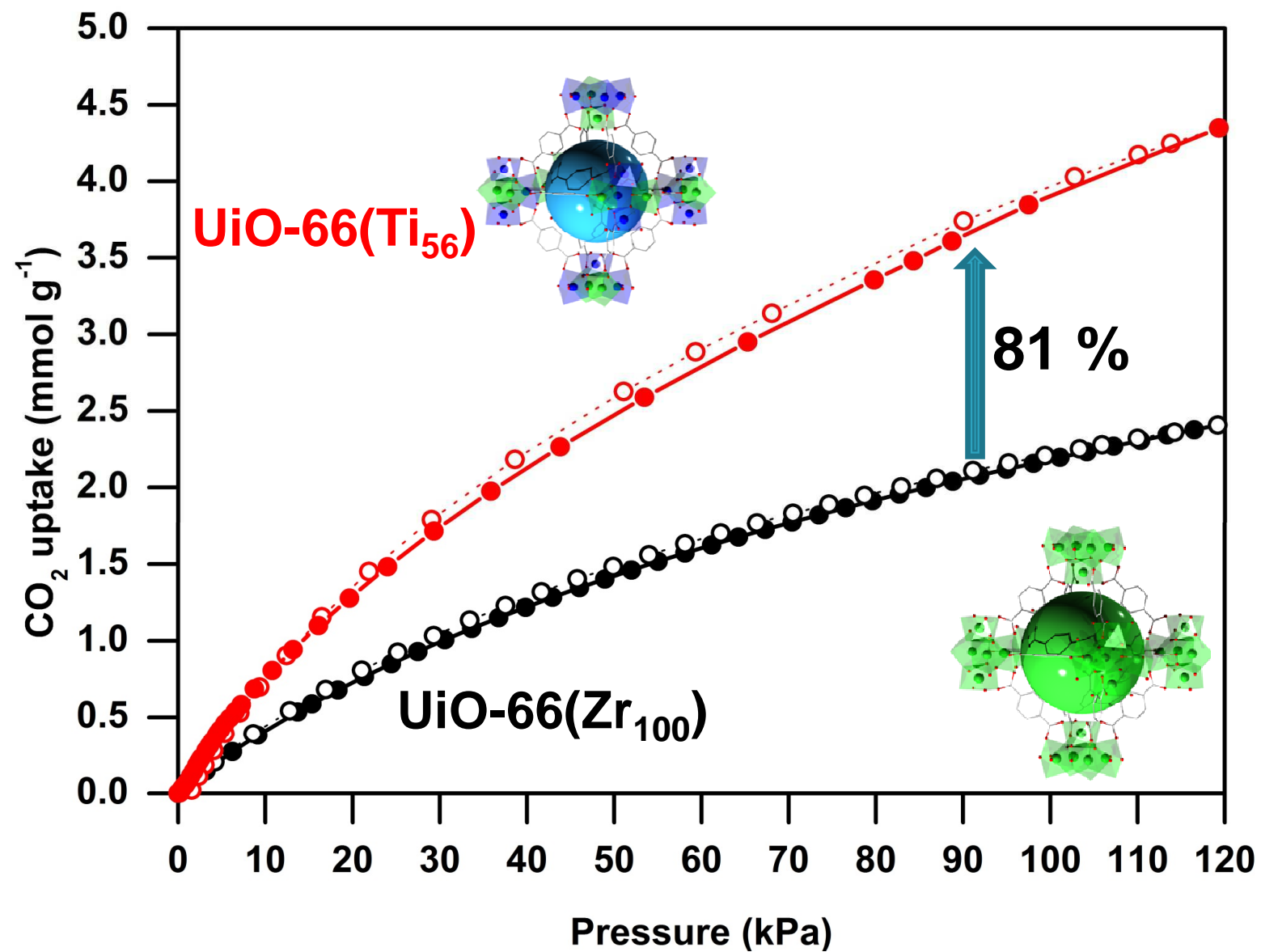
Lithiative reduction of PAFs



CO₂ uptake 273K



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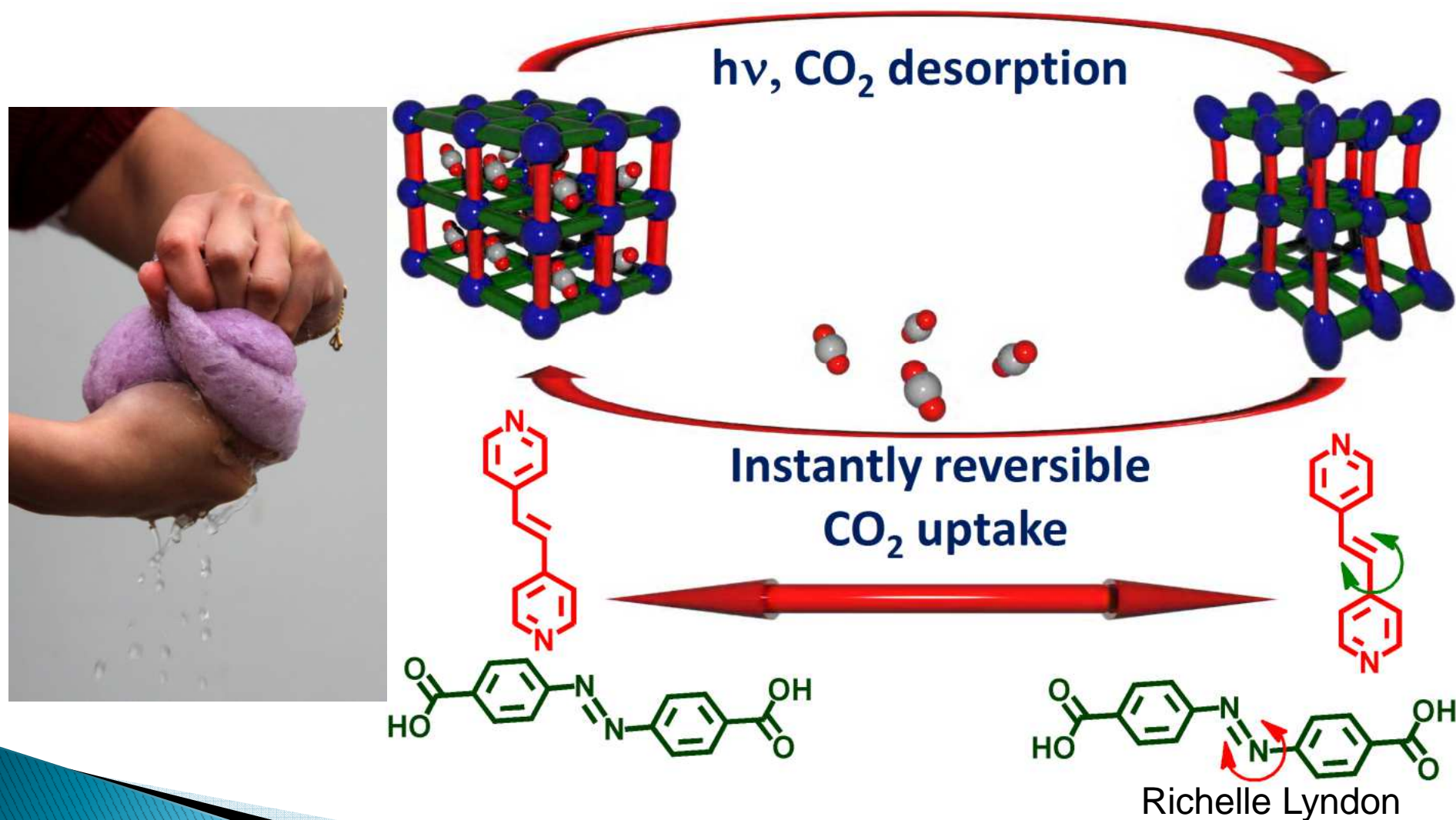


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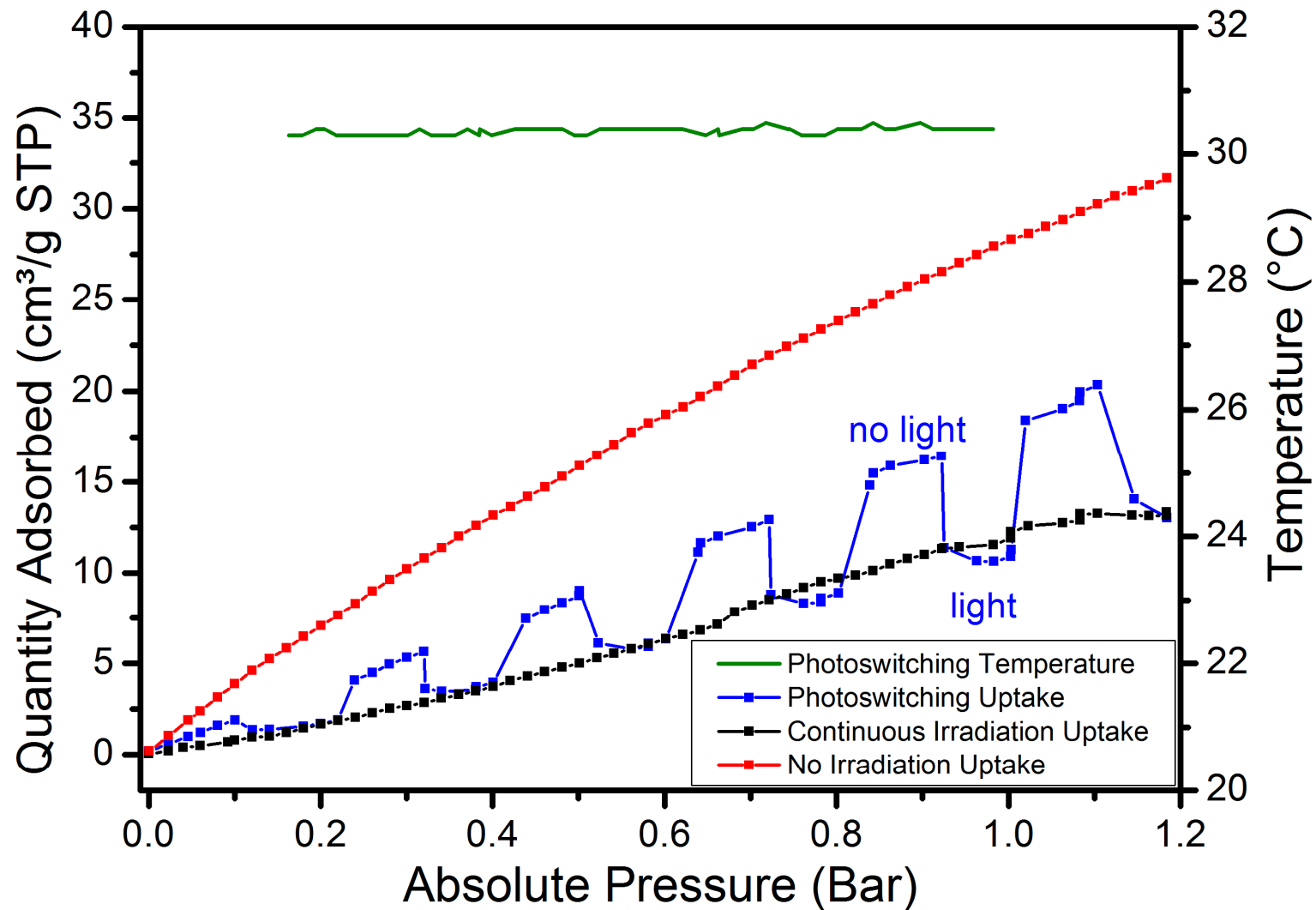
Current CO₂ capture technology

- ▶ CO₂ is captured in a 5M solution of monoethanolamine (MEA) or variants.
- ▶ This solution is heated to around to remove the CO₂, which is separated, the MEA is then re-used.
- ▶ This desorption process can use up significant fraction of the power plant's production capacity.

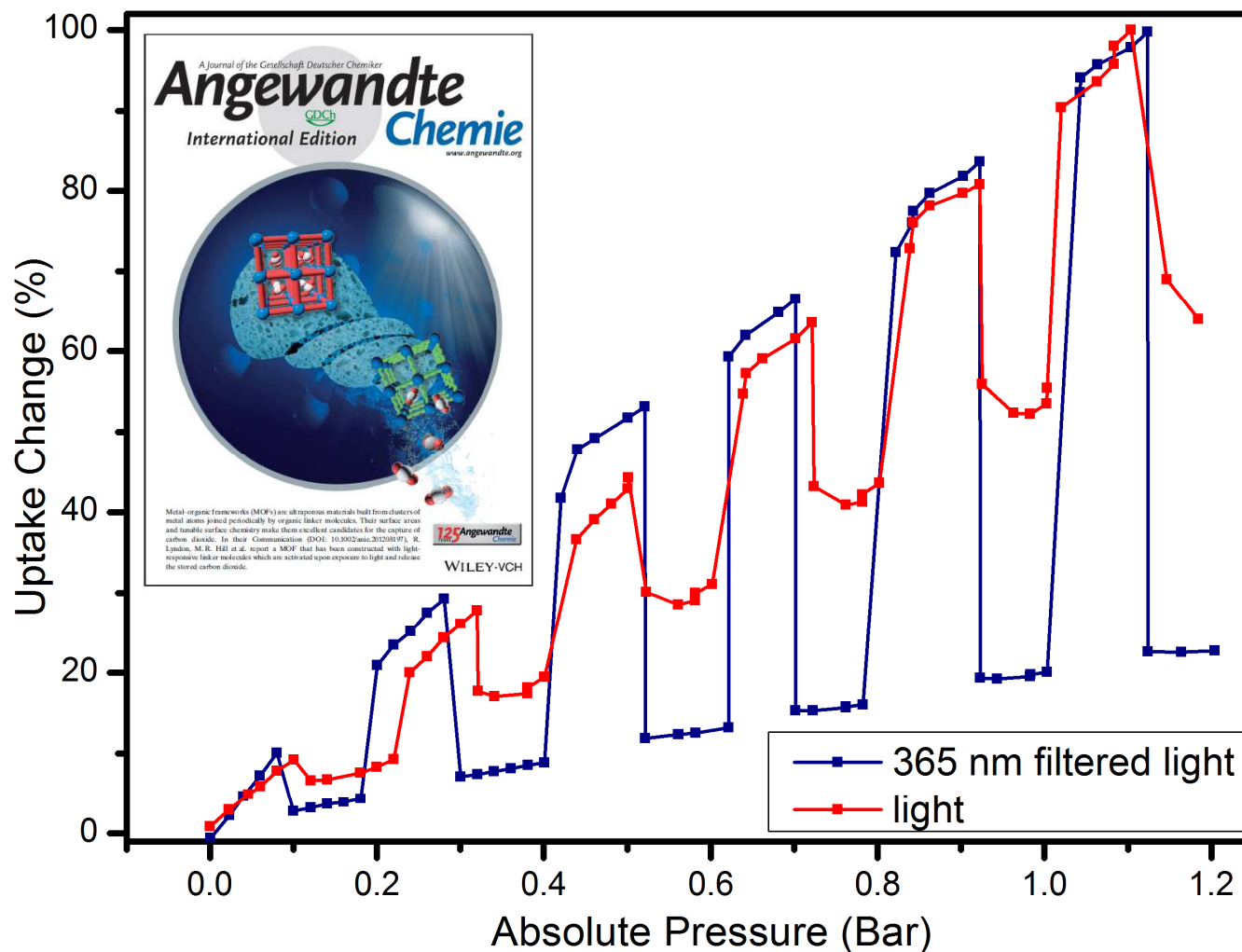
CO₂ release from dynamic pores



Light can be used to release CO₂

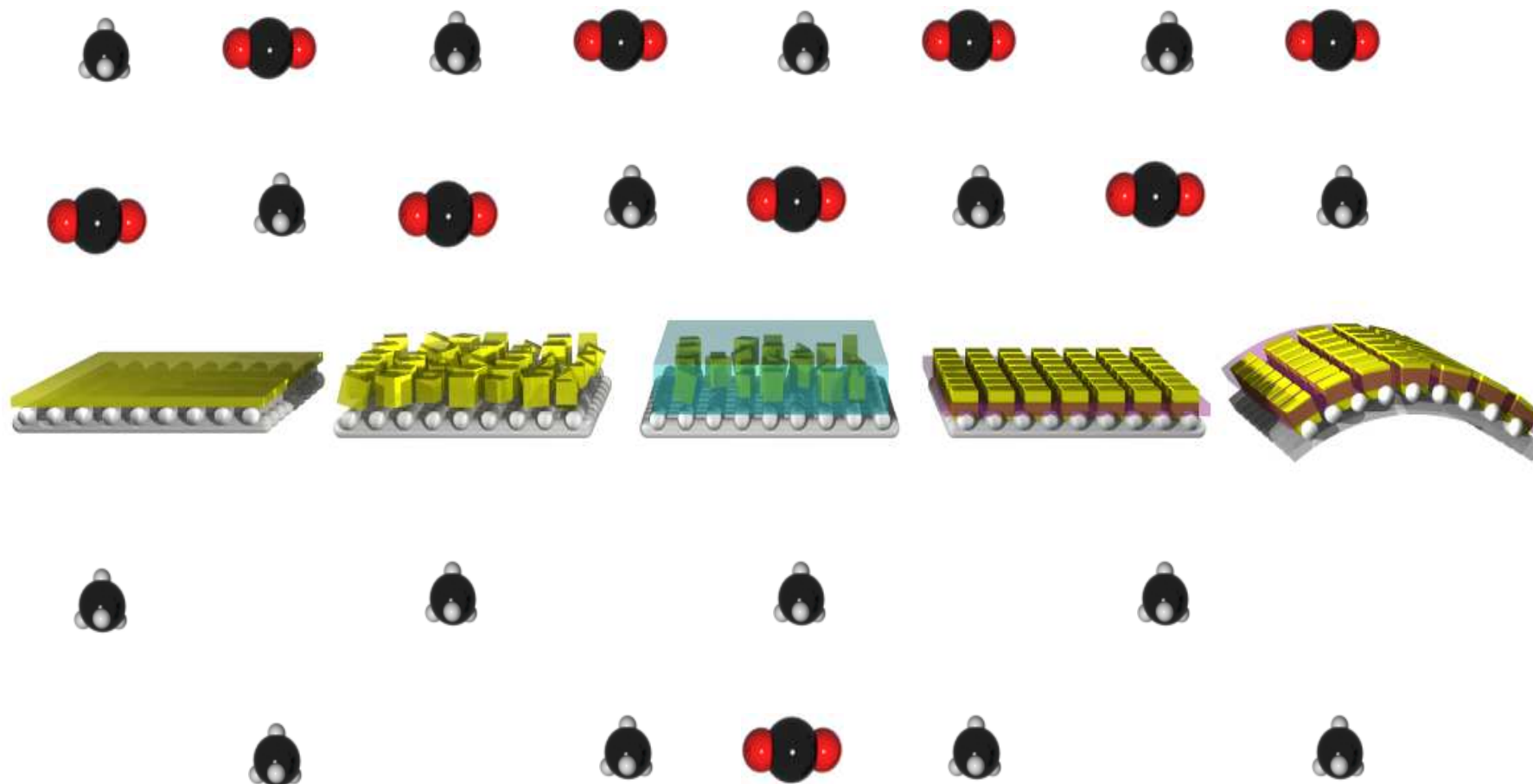


Works at optimal wavelength, or concentrated broadband UV



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Gas Separations

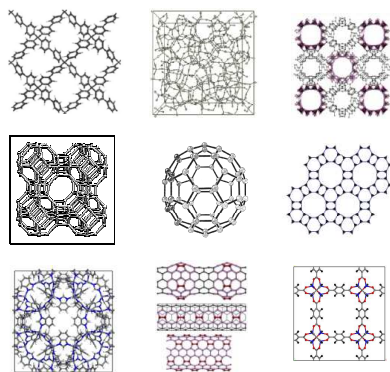


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Virtual Hub for Screening Materials

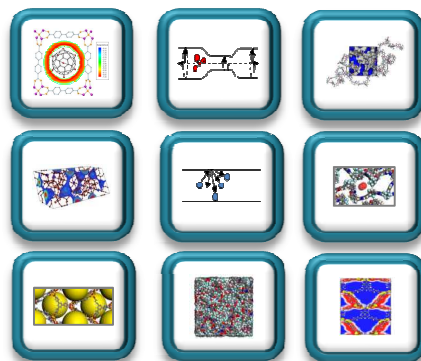
1. Candidate Materials

(> 1 Billion Structures)



2. Screening Tools

(Structure-Property Predictions)



1.Adsorb IT
2.Void IT
3.Surface IT
4.Convert IT

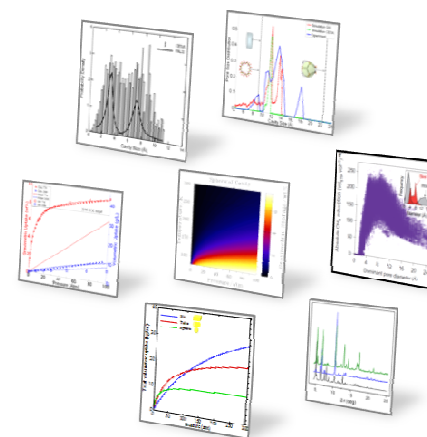


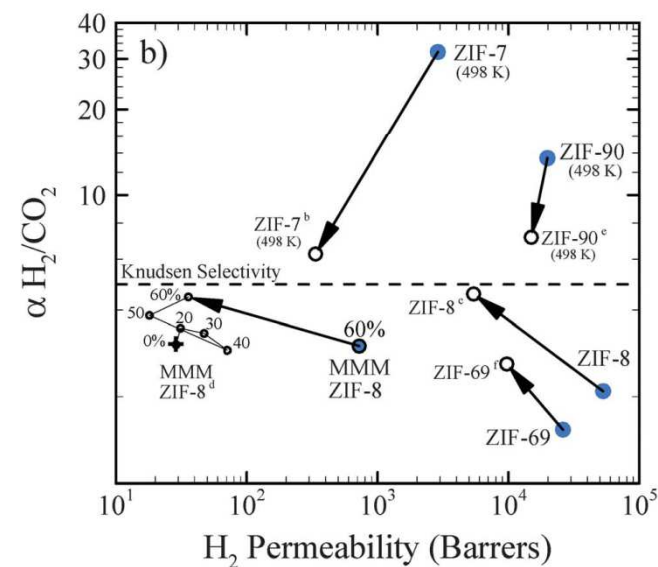
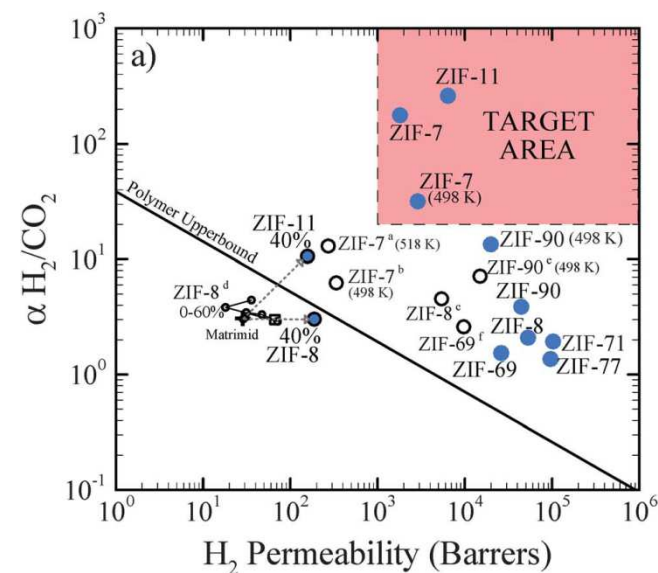
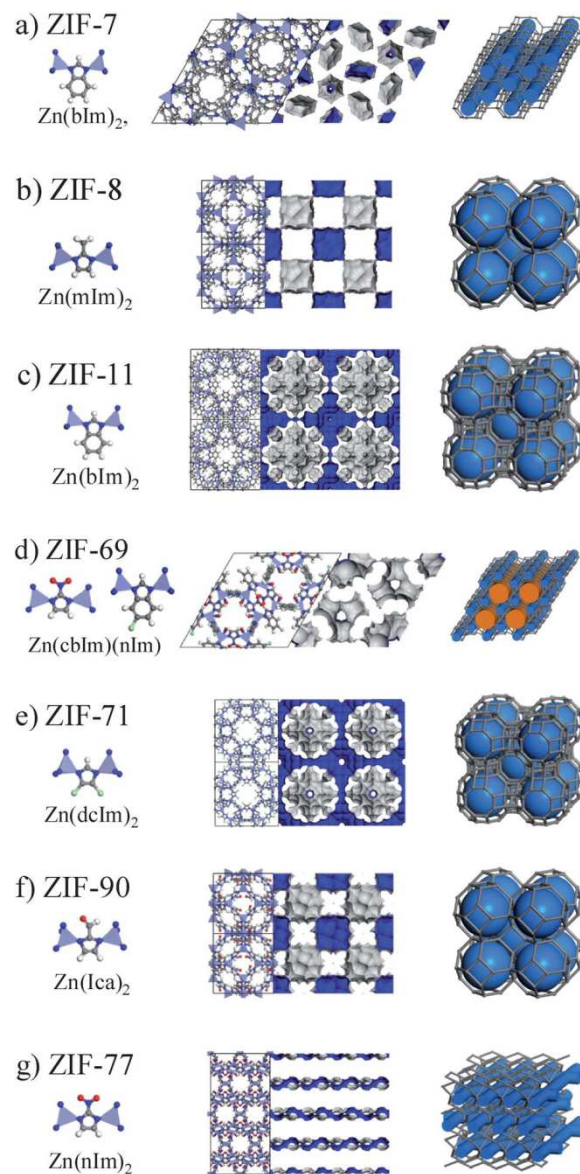
5.Pore Size IT
6.X-ray IT
7.Permeate IT
8.Simulate IT

High Performance Computing

3. Promising Materials

(Meeting Industrial Feasibility Criteria)



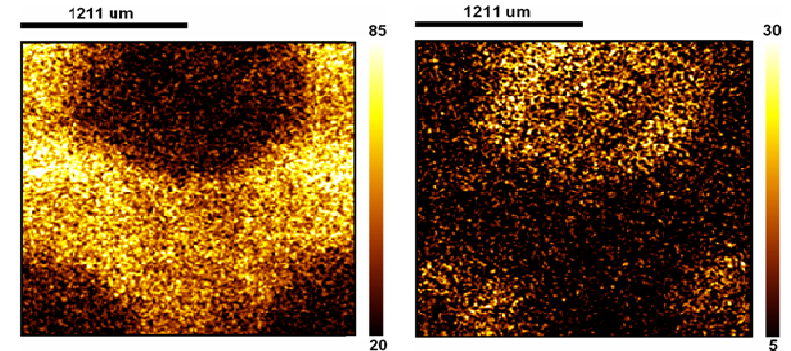
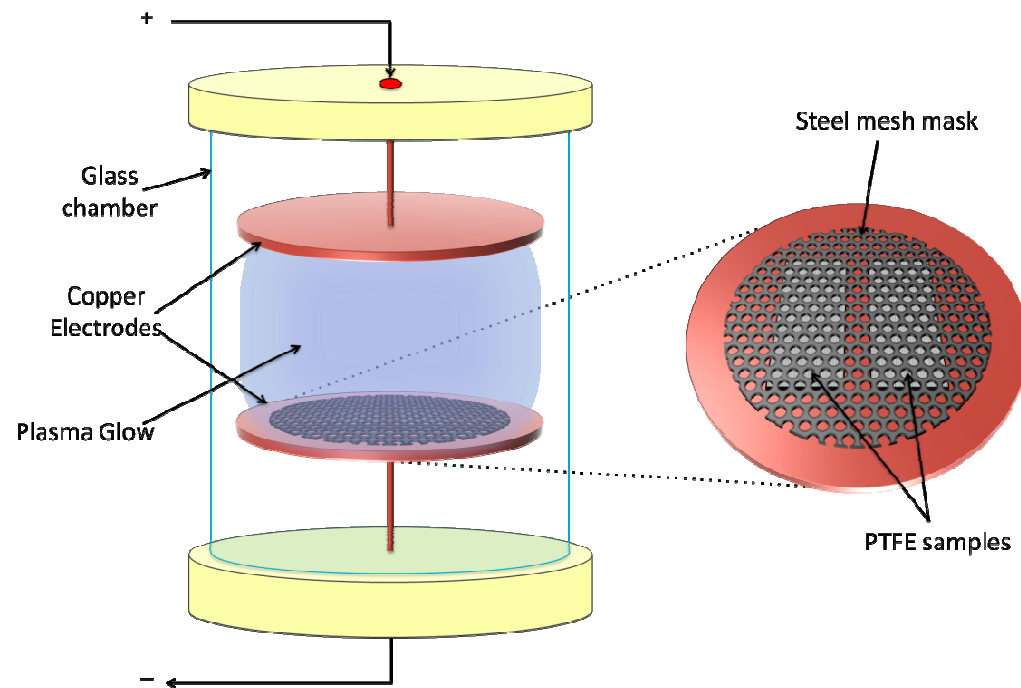


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Stopping aging in glassy polymers

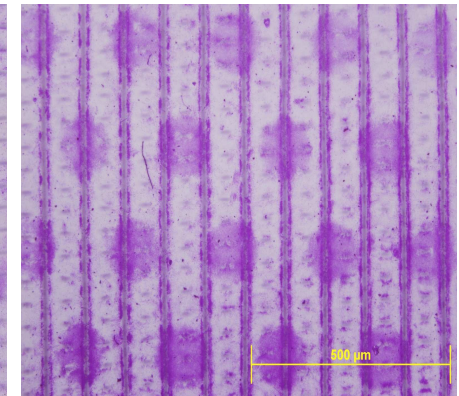
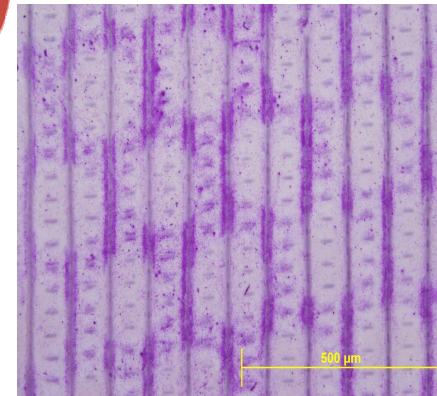
- ▶ Glassy polymers are attractive as gas separation membranes due to their high fractional free volume (FFV), which means there is high porosity through which gas can permeate quickly.
- ▶ Poly (1-(trimethylsilyl)-1-propyne) (PTMSP) has the highest FFV of any glassy polymer.
- ▶ However, most glassy polymers, and especially PTMSP, slowly pack into a more dense, lower FFV state, losing the fast gas permeation.
- ▶ 10 years ago this was the most active area of membrane research, but it was concluded that the aging could only be stopped by drastically lowering the permeability.

Control of ZIF growth at membrane surfaces



F 1s
allylamine

C 1s
diglyme



Inhibit growth

Promote growth

Scale up synthesis of MOFs

- ▶ Key capability challenge for any new MOF technology
- ▶ CSIRO are world leaders in scale up synthesis focussing on low energy, high speed, high sustainability processes for a range of materials.
- ▶ We have proof-of-concept that these methods work in the production of MOFs at scale.

Key CSIRO MOF capabilities

- ▶ Virtual screening for new and existing structures with potential for adsorption or separations.
- ▶ High throughput synthesis and characterisation to speed new materials discovery.
- ▶ Ability to develop large scale synthesis routes.
- ▶ Track record of working with industry partners in the MOF field.
- ▶ Platform technology IP, with 8 patents and 3 invention notes.

Thank you

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