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Organic frameworks as a materials platform for spin-optoelectronics

Crystalline and porous organic polymers, also known as covalent organic frameworks (COFs), provide a powerful platform for designing multifunctional materials with precisely tuneable structural, optical and electronic properties.[1-4]

While most COFs are rigid frameworks with static structural and optoelectronic properties, we have recently developed *dynamic* 2D COFs that can be switched reversibly between two or more phases of the same topology but different unit cell parameters and porosities (Figure 1a).[5] The key design update here was to introduce a controlled degree of flexibility by interconnecting rigid π -stacked molecular columns with non-stacked, flexible bridges. This allows the COFs to open and close their pores upon uptake or removal of guests while fully retaining their crystalline long-range order. Further improvements of the COF design have yielded frameworks that show stepwise phase transformations between their respective contracted-pore and open-pore conformations with up to 85% increase in unit-cell volume (Figure 1b).[6] This variable geometry provides a handle for introducing stimuli-responsive optoelectronic properties. As an example, we have demonstrated that the COFs can be toggled between excimer-forming H-aggregates and null-aggregates with monomer-like absorption and emission characteristics. Moving forward, we strive to employ the new materials as scaffolds for spin-quantum bit (qubit) candidates with precise control over their orientation and distances, enabling to investigate geometry-dependent inter-qubit communication.

Our findings reveal general design strategies for dynamic 2D COFs with switchable photophysical properties. The new materials could provide a platform for designing adaptive optical, electronic, and spintronic materials for future applications in quantum information science.

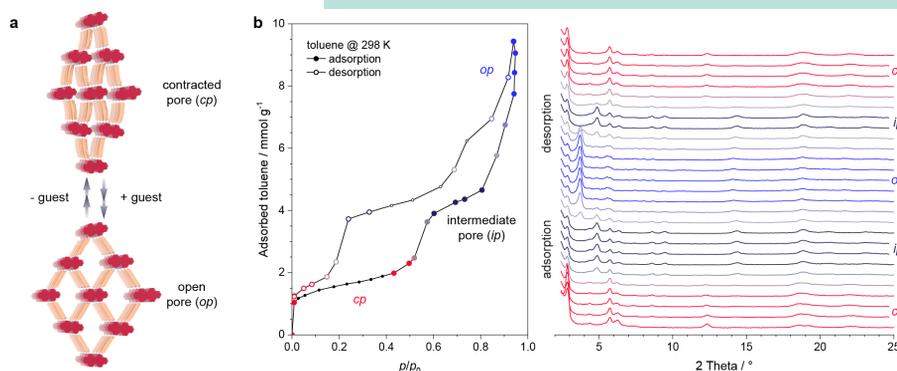


Figure 1. (a) Illustration of a dynamic 2D COF. (b) In-situ powder X-ray diffraction patterns (right) collected during toluene vapour adsorption/desorption (left), showing the step-wise and fully reversible phase transformations of a dynamic 2D COF.

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