

# MOFs in Catalysis

## « The Emperor's New Clothes » ?

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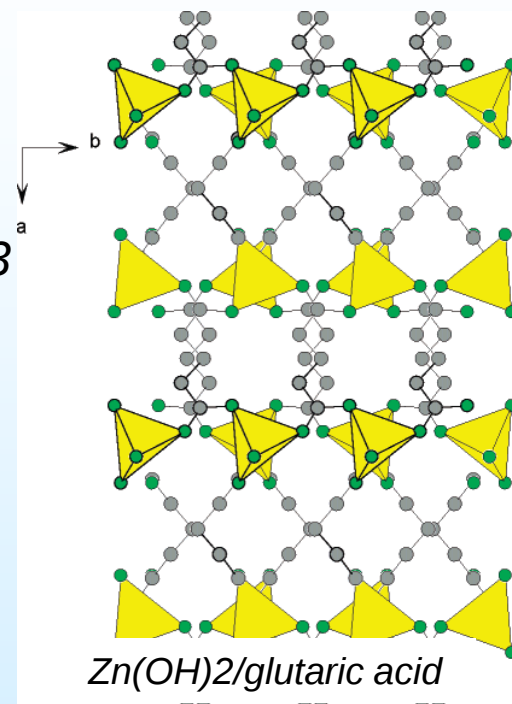
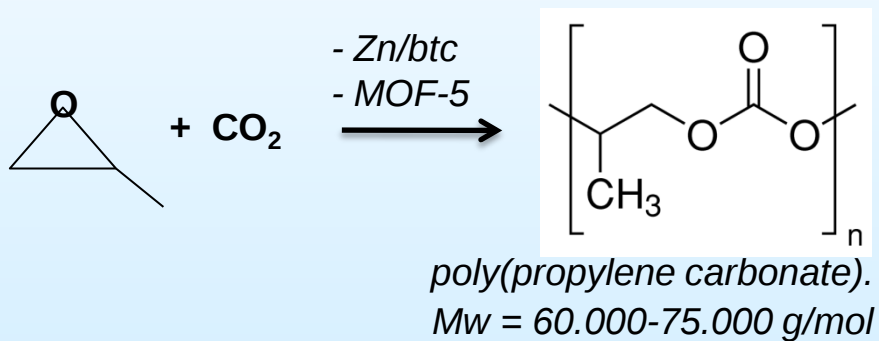
- 1 – Acid Catalysis*
- 2 – Acid/Base*
- 3 – Encapsulation*
- 4 – Organometallics / Enantioselective Cat.*
- 5 – Photocatalysis*
- 6 – Polymerisation*

# 1 – Acid Catalysis



- First catalyst generations

- $\text{ZnEt}_2/\text{pyrogallol}$  >  $\text{ZnEt}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- $\text{ZnO}/\text{glutaric acid}$  >  $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2/\text{glutaric acid}$  >  $\text{Cr}(\text{OOCCH}_3)_3$



- BASF patent 2002

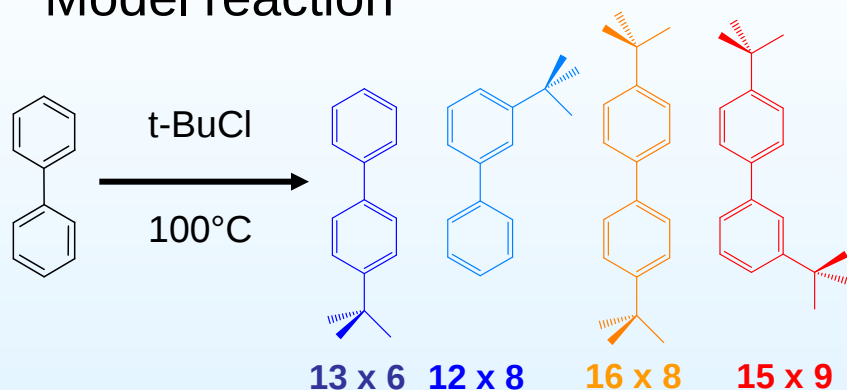
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# Catalytic results on “MOF-5”

- Model reaction



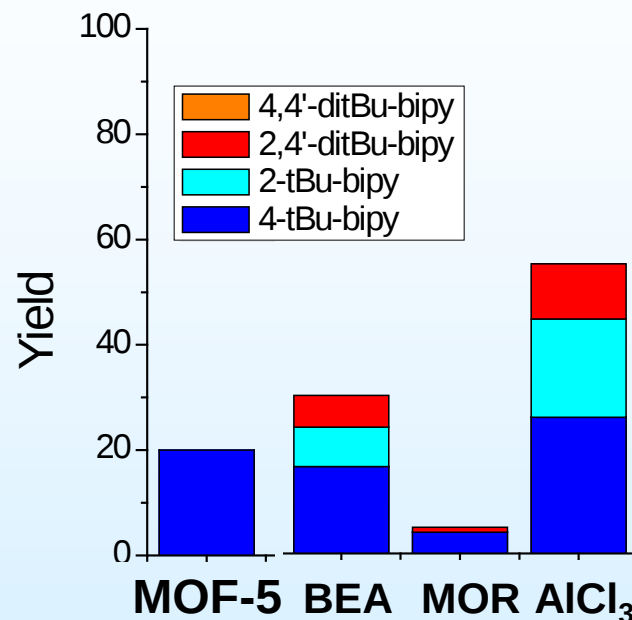
- “MOF-5” prepared by fast precipitation

- $S_{\text{BET}} = 500\text{--}700\text{ m}^2/\text{g}$

- “pure” MOF-5 (Prof. S. Kaskel)

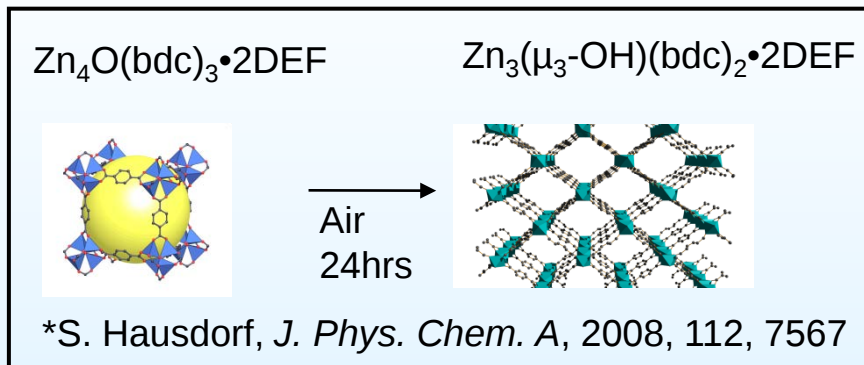
- $S_{\text{BET}} = 2500\text{ m}^2/\text{g}$

- much less active when kept under Ar and with dried chemicals



# Zn-OH in “MOF-5” ?

- MOF-5 transforms to MOF-69C\*



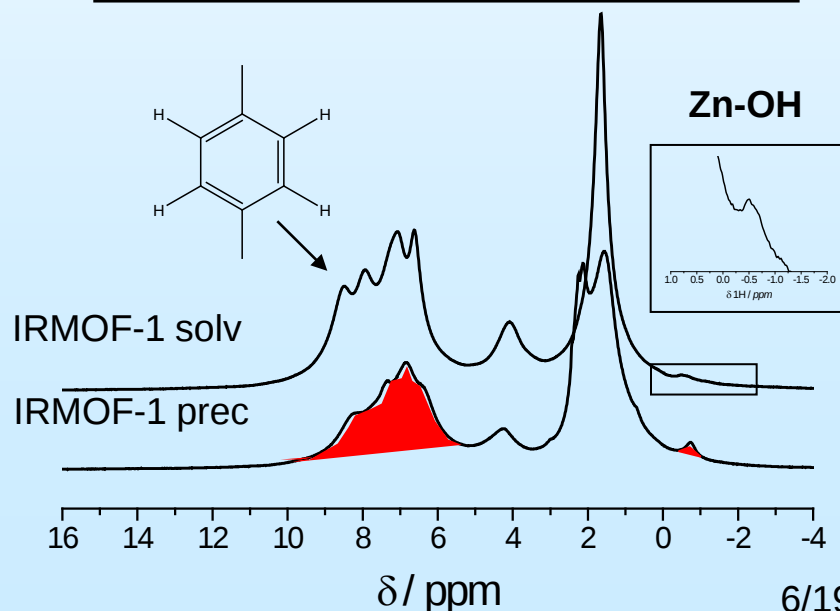
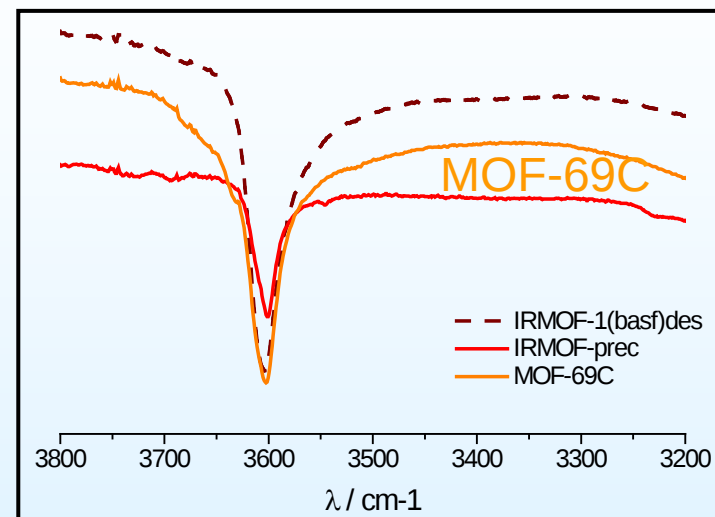
- Quantification by solid  $^1\text{H}$  NMR

–  $\text{Zn}(\mu\text{OH}) : \text{dbc} = 1:20\text{-}30$

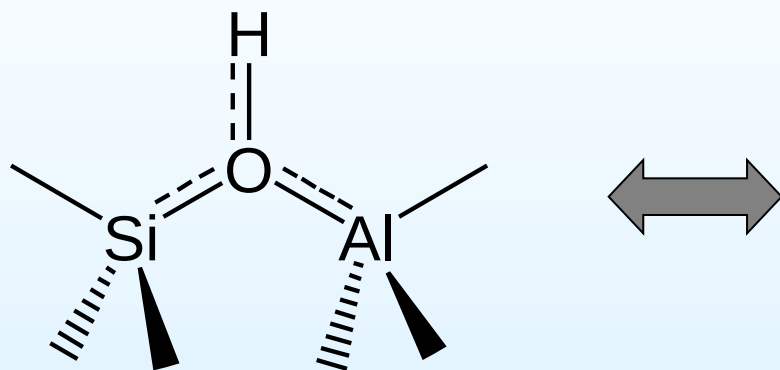
- MOF-5 with Zn-OH defects

– 3-5% of  $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})$

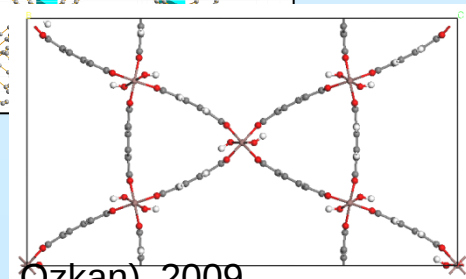
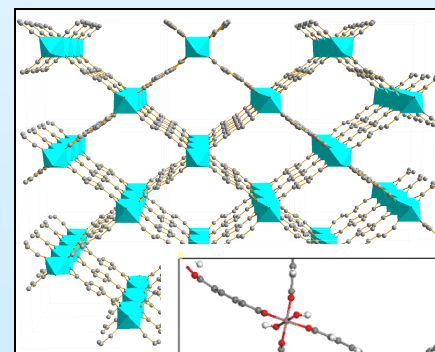
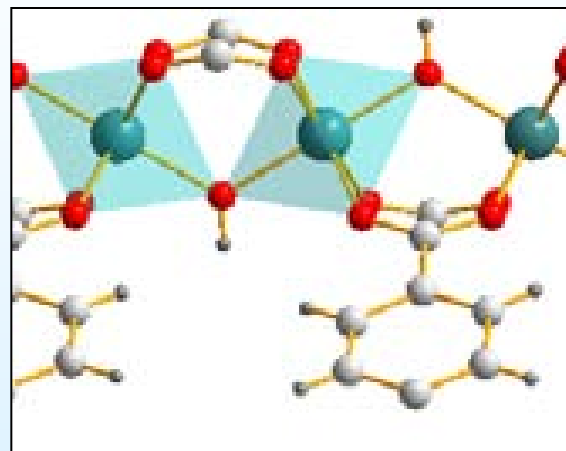
–  $S_{\text{BET}} = 500\text{-}700 \text{ m}^2/\text{g} \gg \text{MOF-69C}$



# Bronsted function

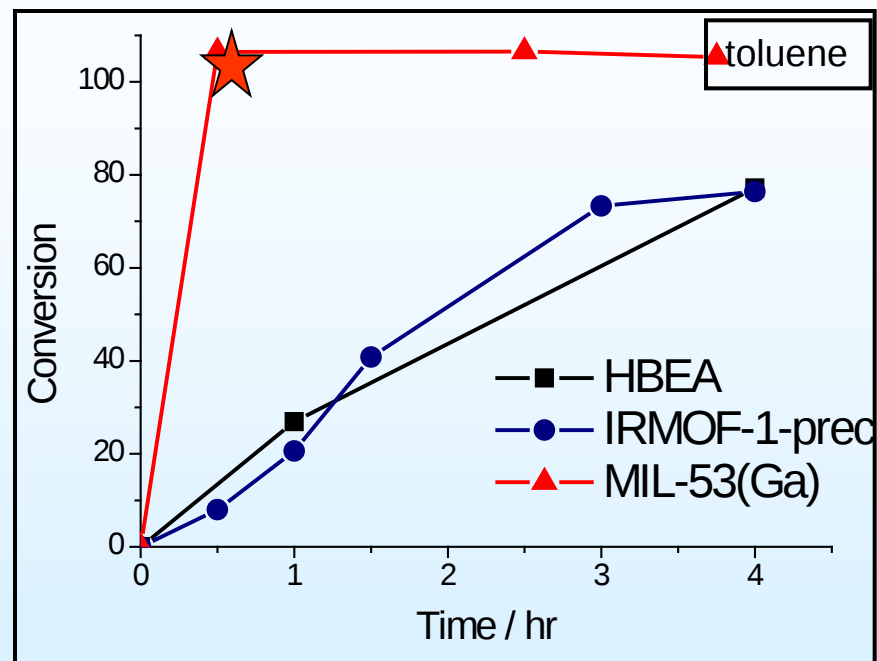
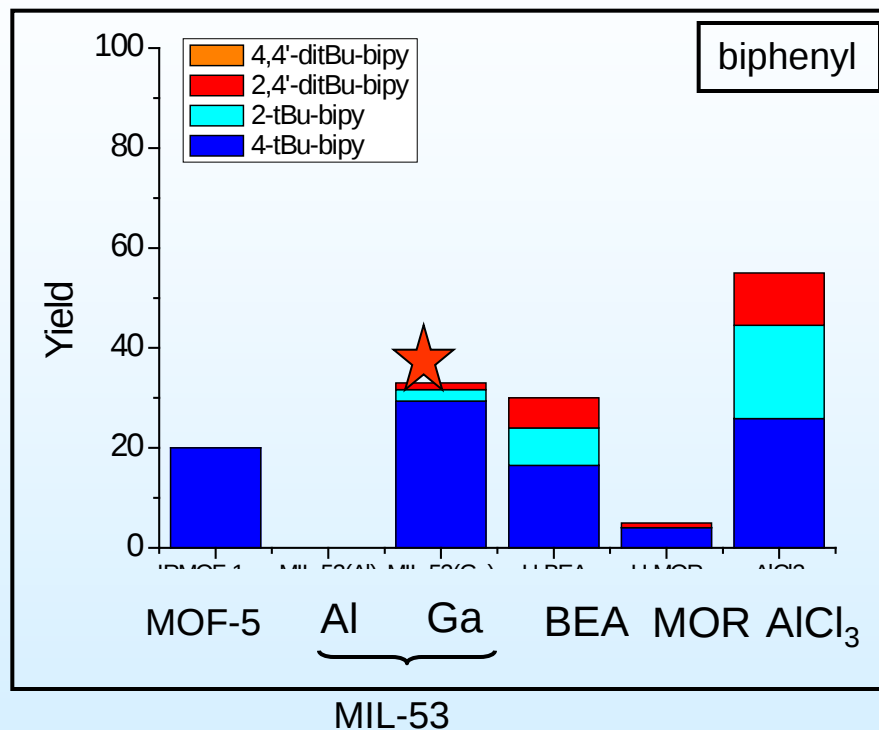


1D Class with bridging OH



- MOF-69C (Zn) :  $\text{Zn}_3(\mu_3\text{-OH})_2(\text{bdc})_2$
- MIL-53 (Ga) :  $\text{Ga}(\mu_2\text{-OH})(\text{bdc})$
- MIL-68 (In) :  $\text{In}(\mu_2\text{-OH})(\text{bdc})$

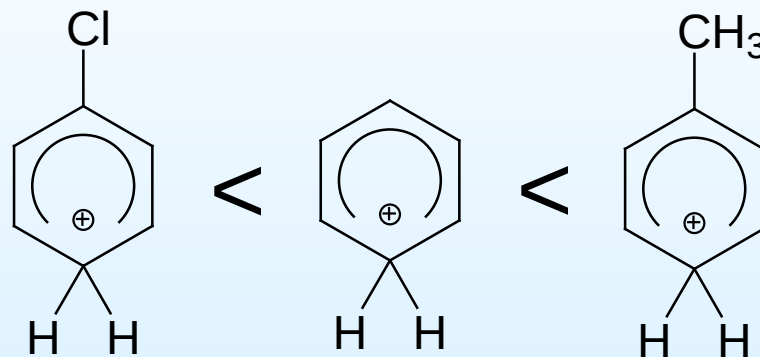
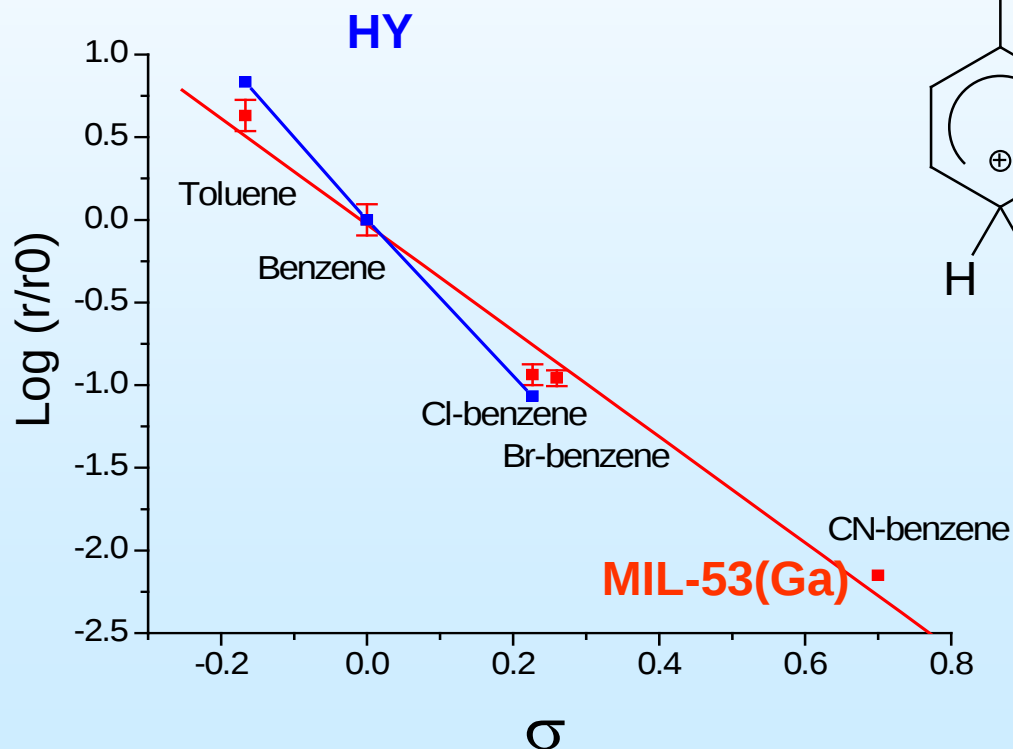
# Alkylation on MIL-53(Ga)



- MIL-53(Ga) >>> MIL-53(Al)
- MIL-53(Ga) active at room temperature !

# Brønsted mechanism ?

- Effect of inductive groups on reactivity (Hammett constant  $\sigma$ )
- Charge of the transition state ( $\rho$ )
  - Protonation of the aromatics



$$\text{Log}(\text{rate}) = \text{Cst} + \sigma \cdot \rho$$

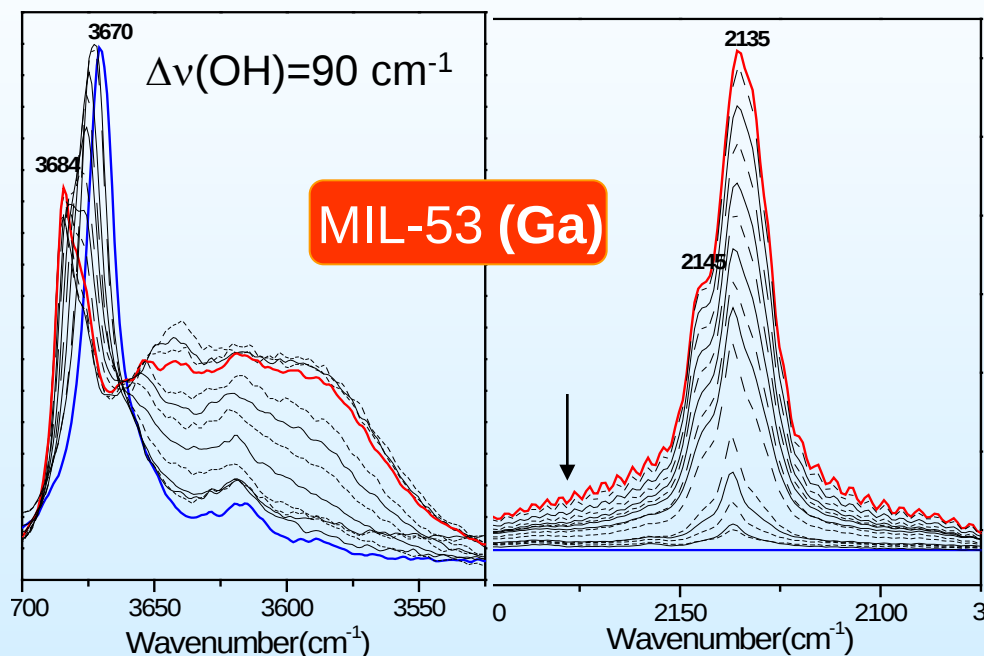
$\rho > 0$ , acylation (basic)

$\rho = 0$ , Fe-beta (redox)

$\rho < 0$ , H-zeolite (acid)

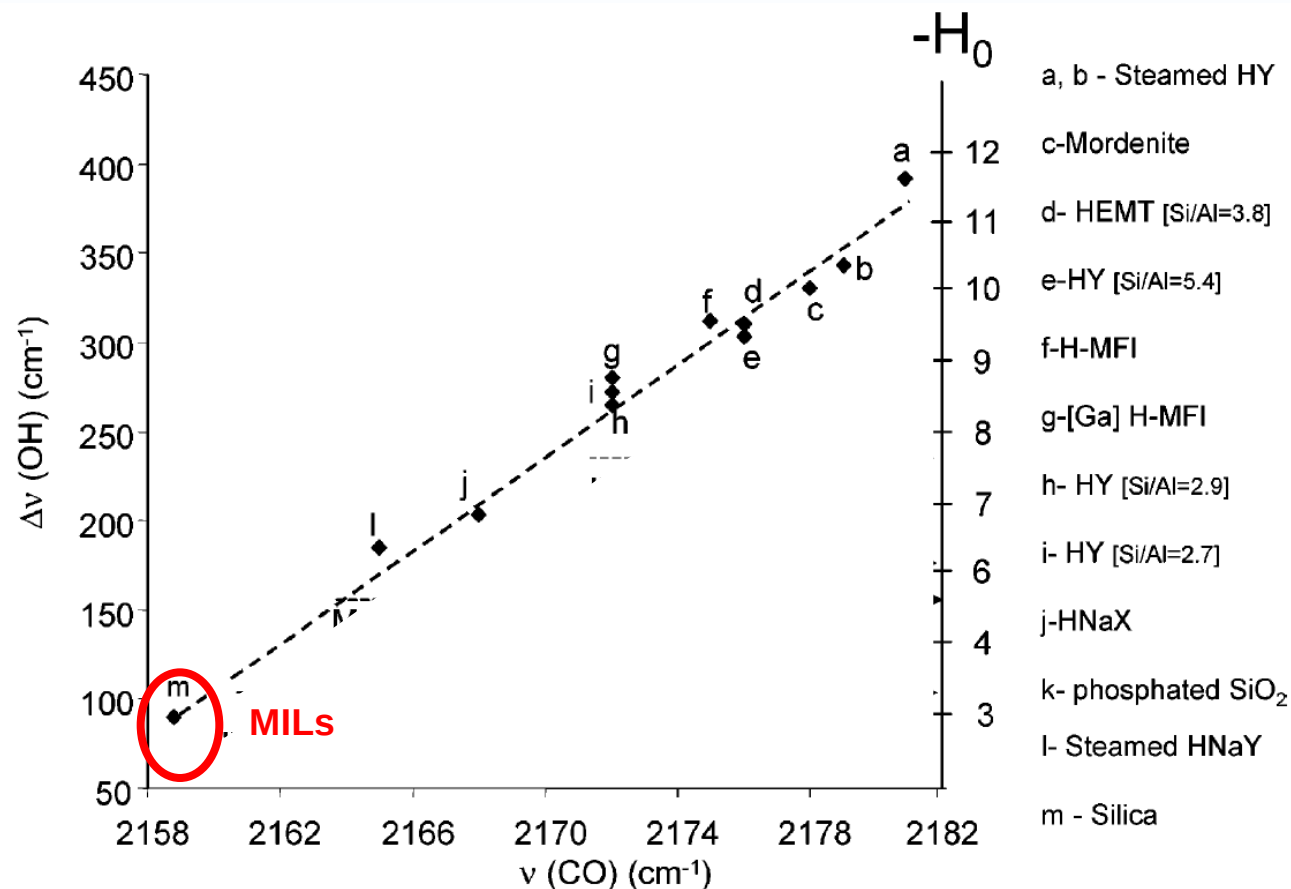
# Brønsted acidity: Measurements

- Site probing by CO adsorption at 100K (Prof. S. Bordiga)



- Brønsted acidity: MIL-53(Ga) > MIL-53(Al)
- No evidence of Lewis centers

# Ga-MIL-53 vs. zeolite

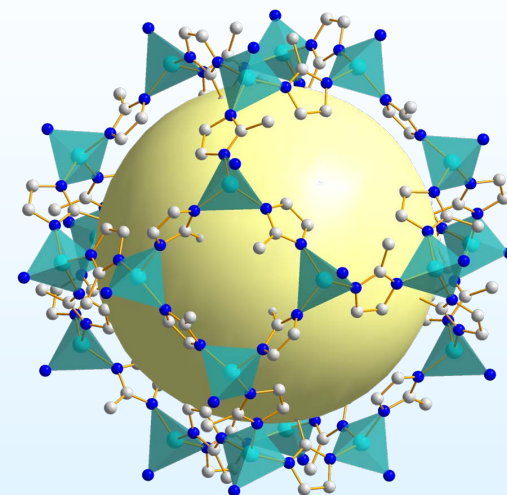
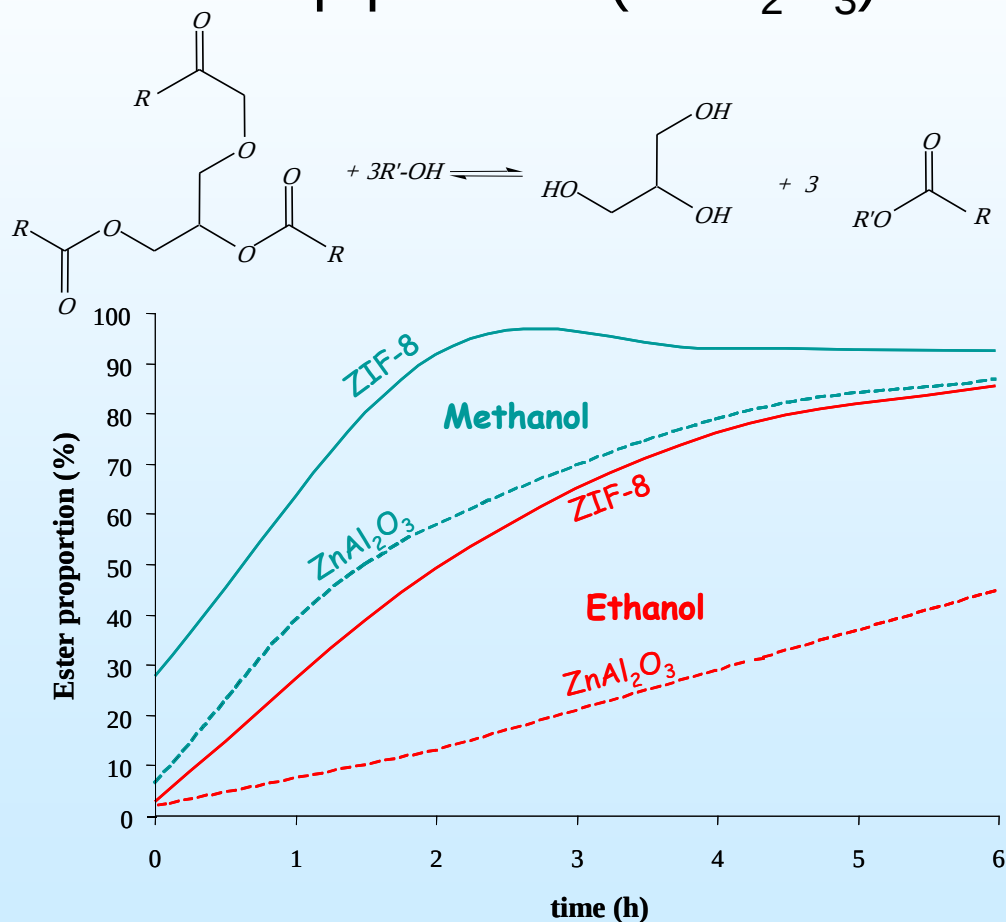


**Not in the same range !**

## 2 – ACID BASE



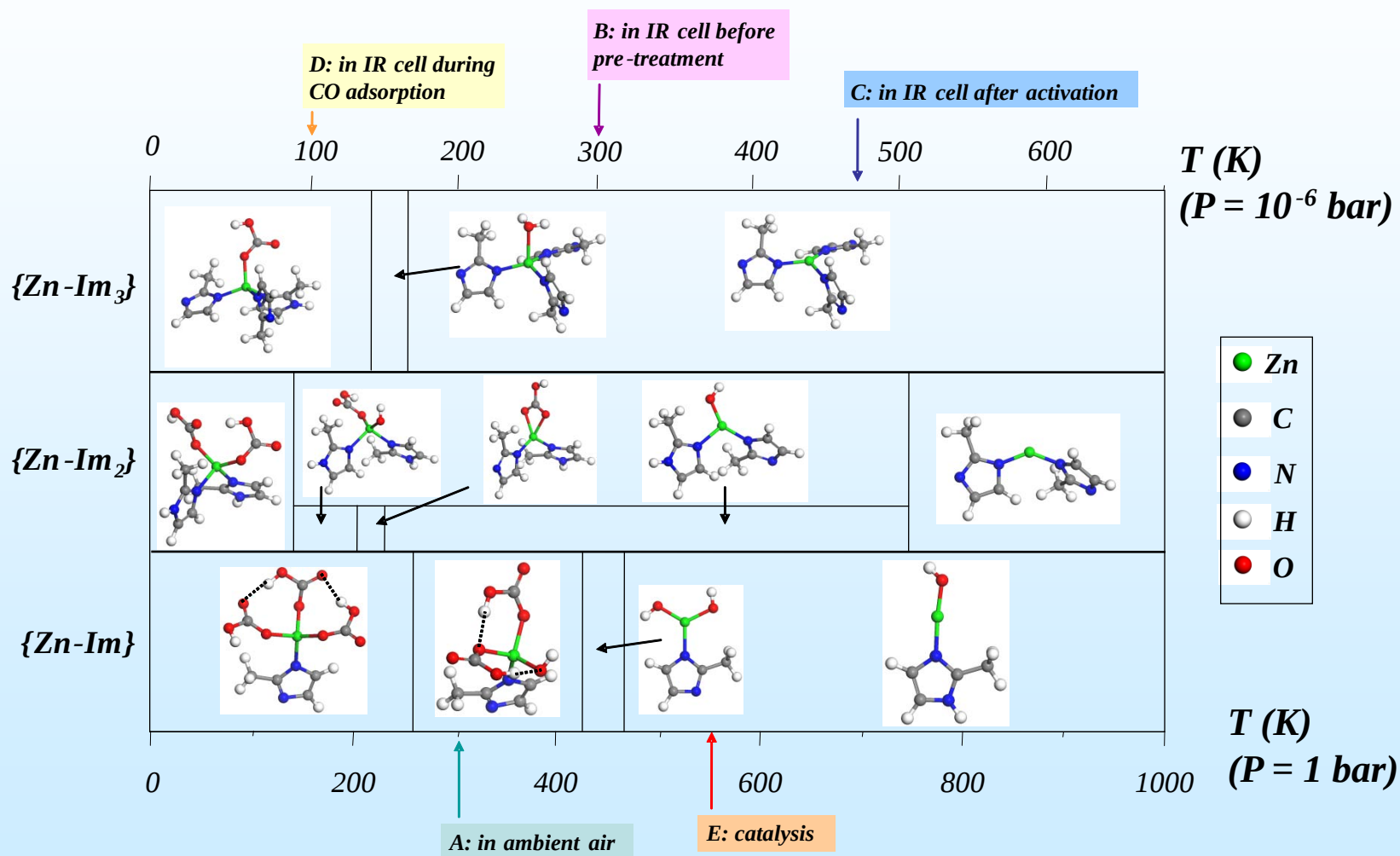
- Esterfip process ( $\text{ZnAl}_2\text{O}_3$ )



ZIF-8

*Triglyceride > pore aperture*

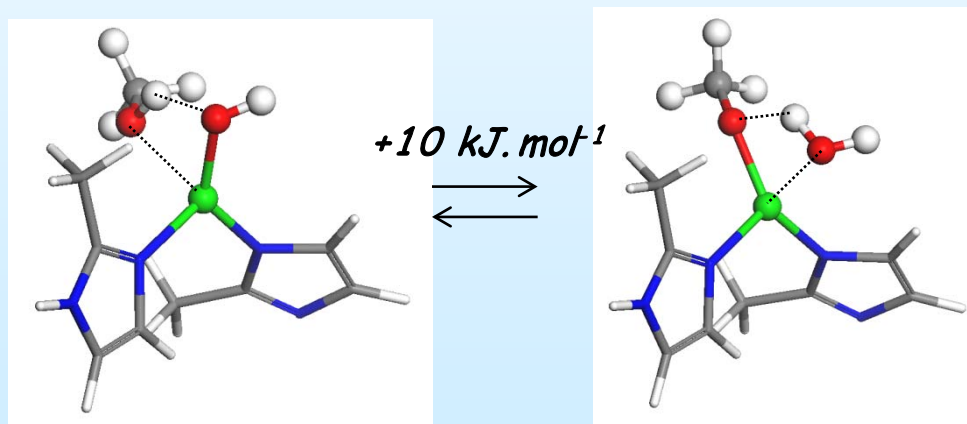
# External surface models of ZIF-8



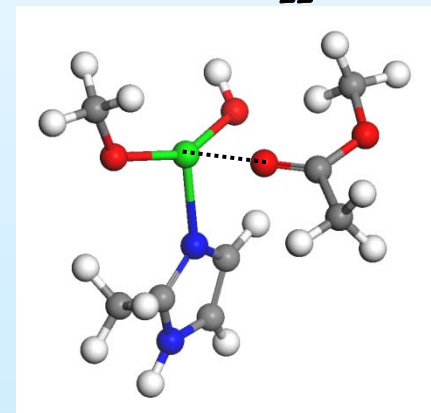
# Activation studies

- Bulk can not activate MeOH
- Active centers : Zn-OH
- at external surfaces and/or structural defects

*Dissociation of MeOH on  $Zn_{III}$  and  $Zn_{II}$*

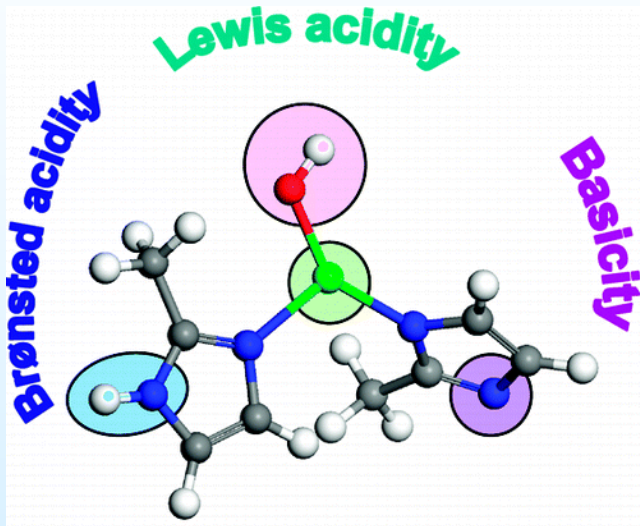


*Co-activation MeOH and Ester on  $Zn_{II}$*

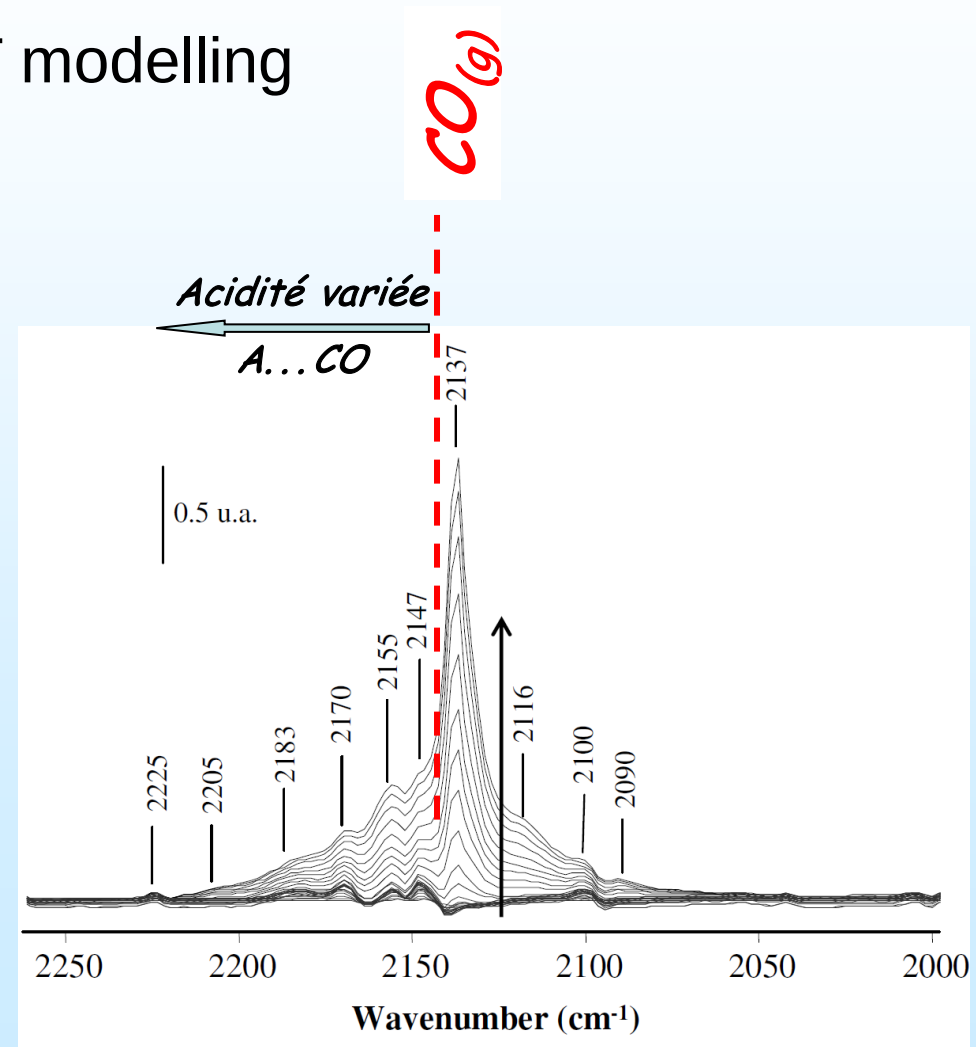


# Nature of acid/base centers ?

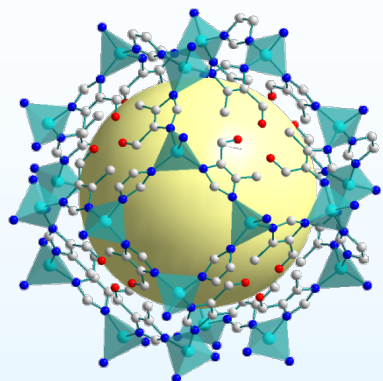
- CO adsorption at 77K / DFT modelling



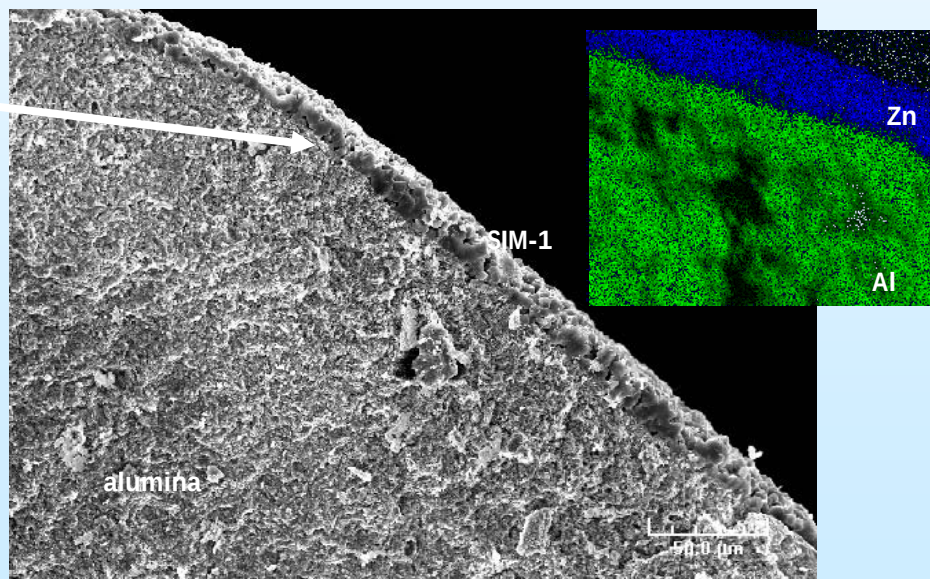
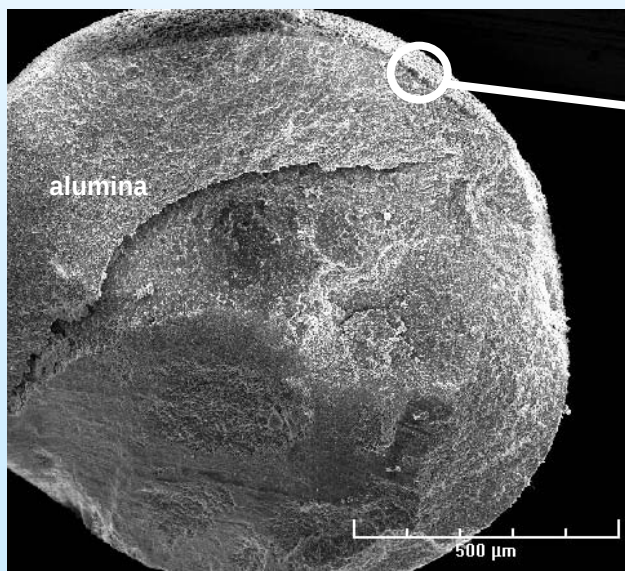
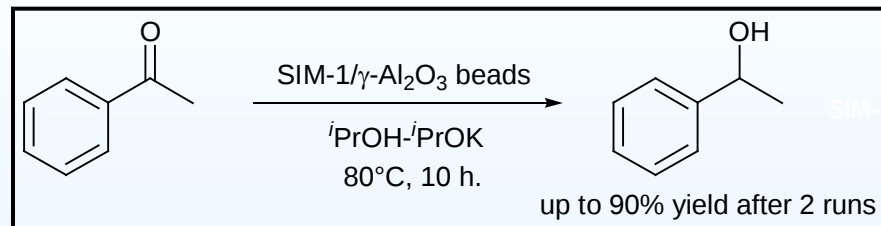
- Strong Zn(II) Lewis centers
- Strong Brønsted acid NH
- Weak basic sites OH and N<sup>-</sup>
- Activity at the surface



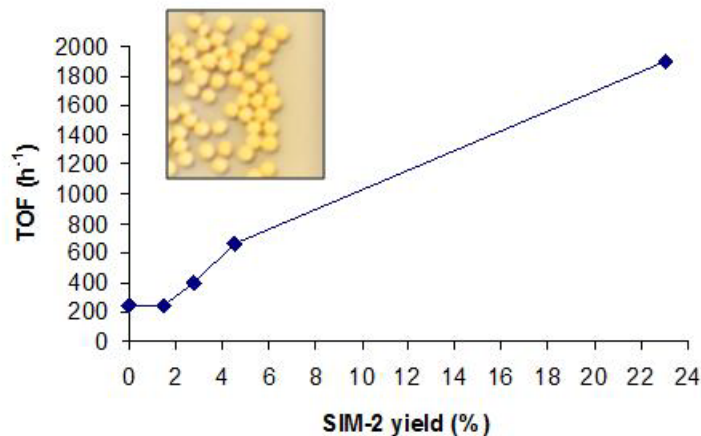
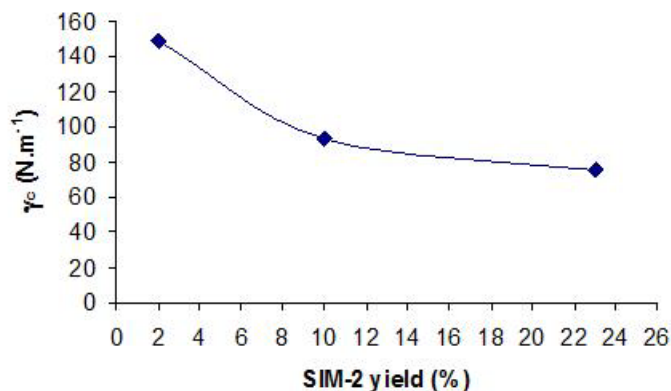
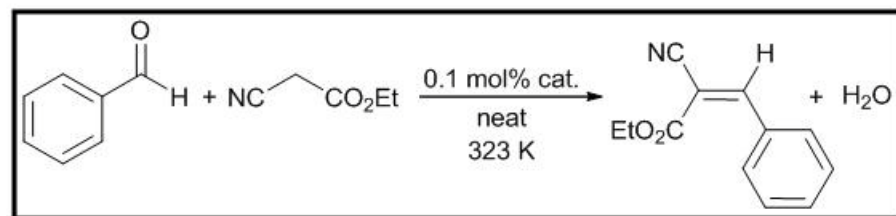
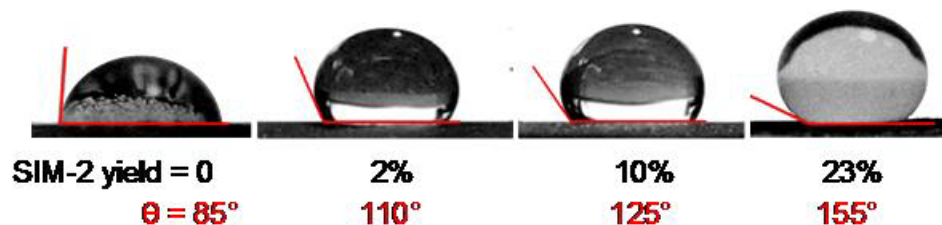
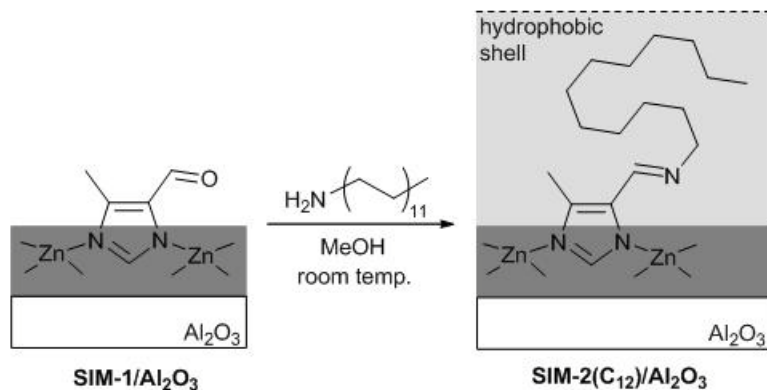
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**SIM-1**

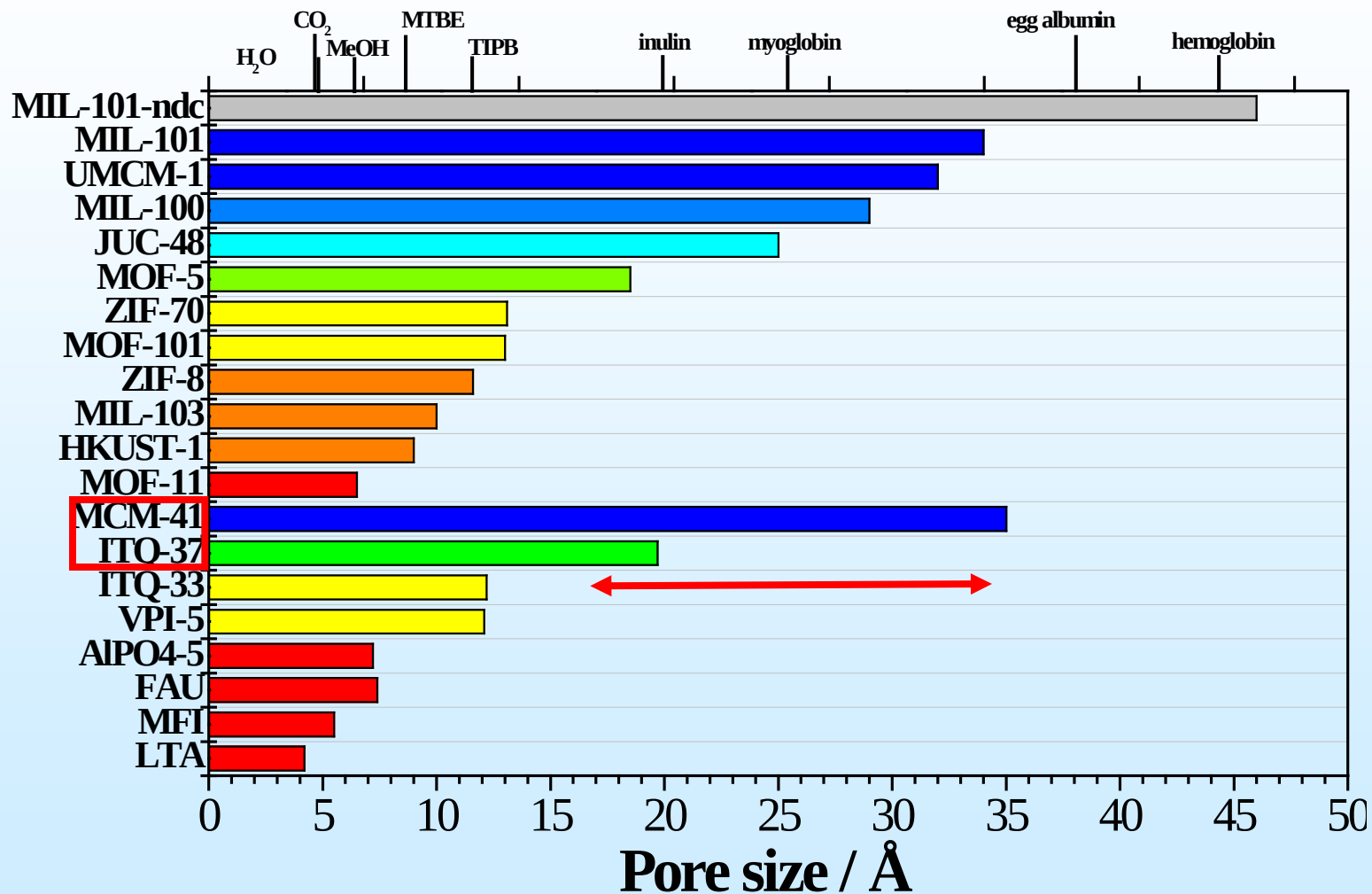


# Engineering : post-hydrophobisation



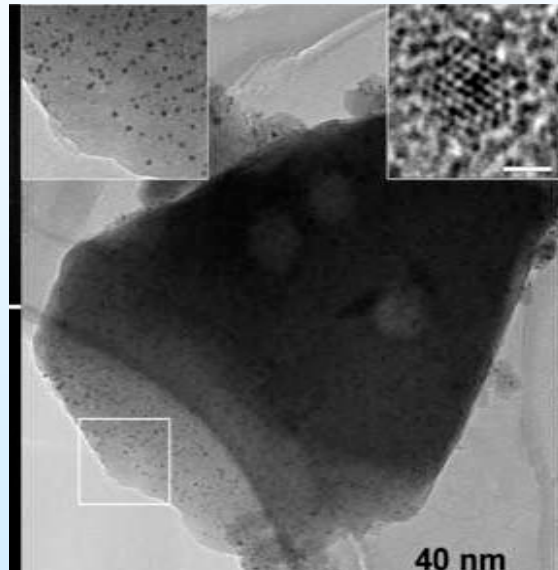
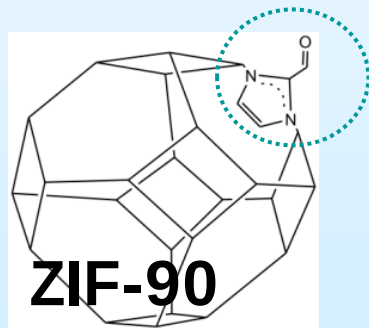
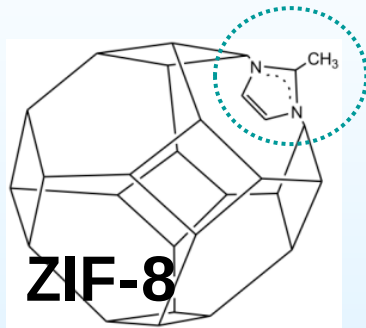
# 3 - ENCAPSULATION

# MOFs: bridging pore size gap

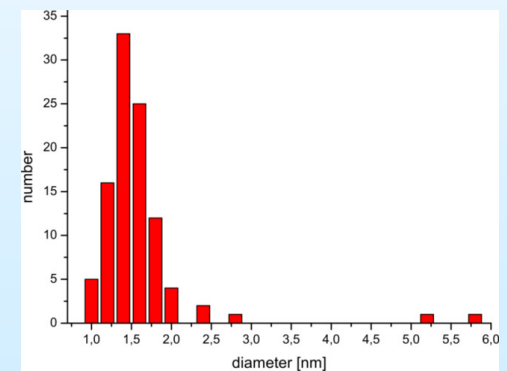
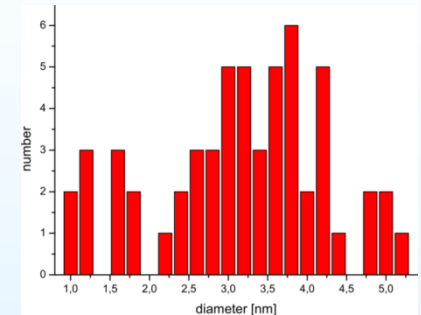


# Metal Nanoparticle (Au@ZIF)

- CVI of [AuCOCl] / 30wrt%loading

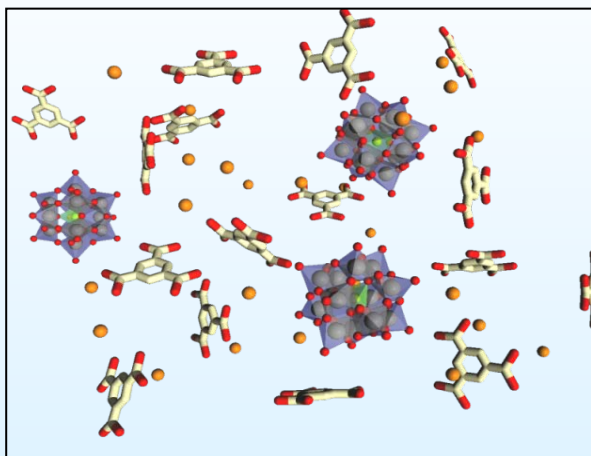


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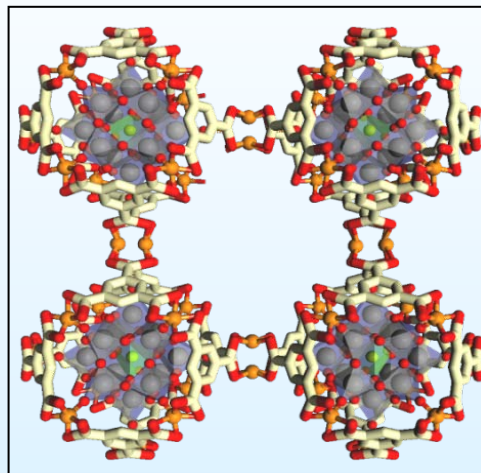


# Heteropoly acids HPW/MOF

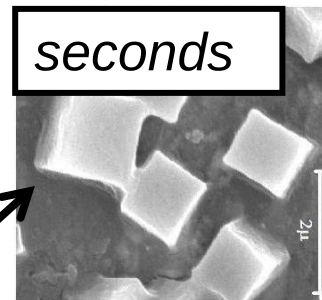
## •HPA templating in HKUST-1



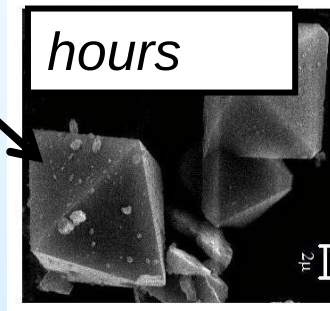
$\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + \text{HPW} + \text{H}_3\text{BTC}$



seconds

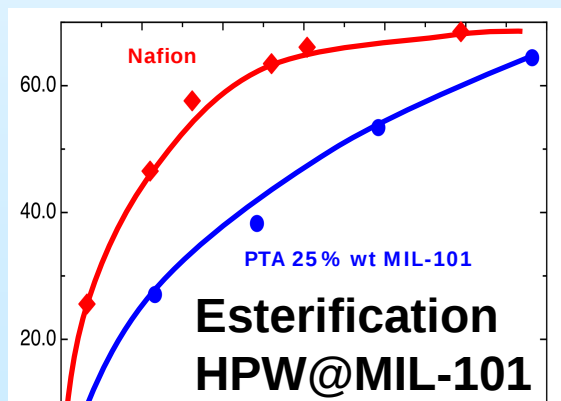


hours

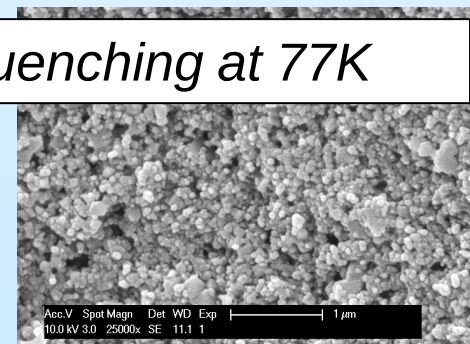


## • Catalysis

- Knoevenagel
- MeOH dehydration
- Esterification

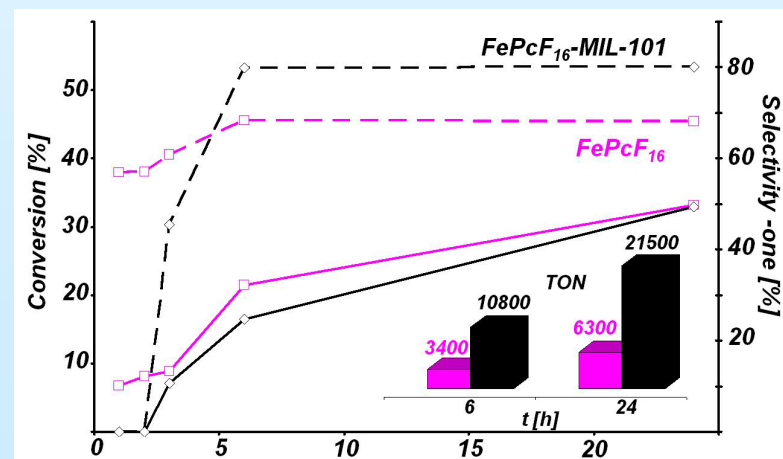
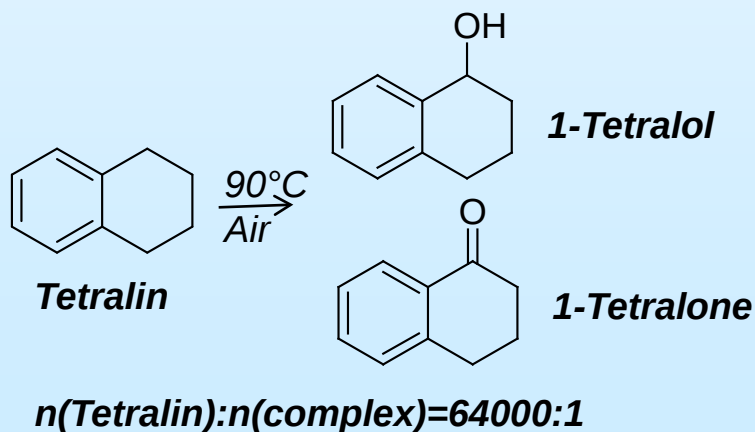
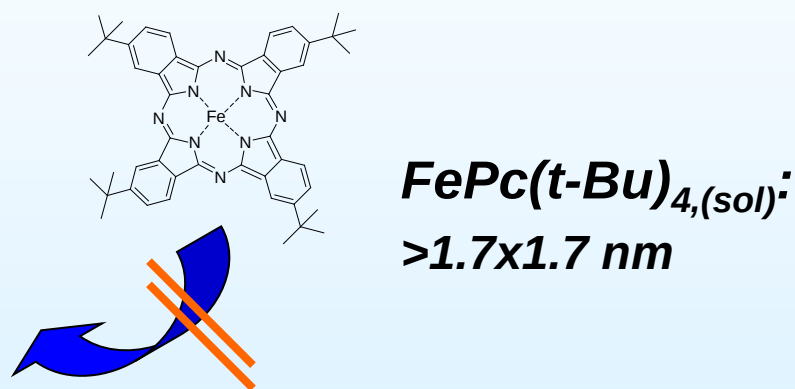
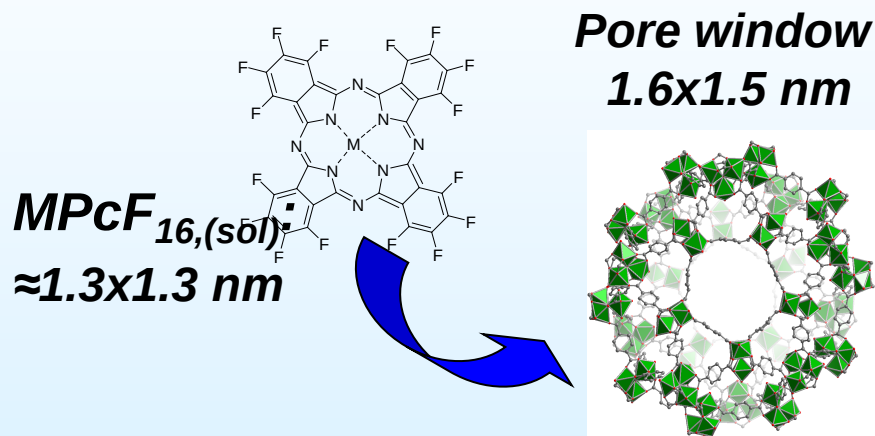


Quenching at 77K



# Complexes in MOFs

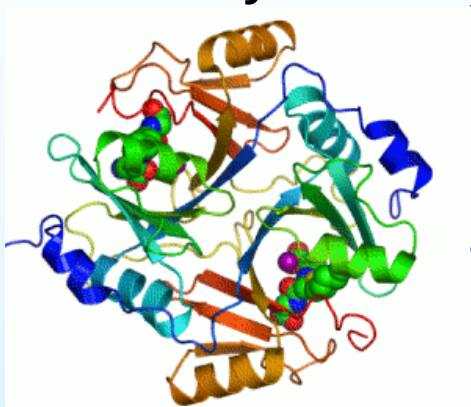
- Encapsulation of metallo-phthalocyanines



## 4 – Functional Ligands

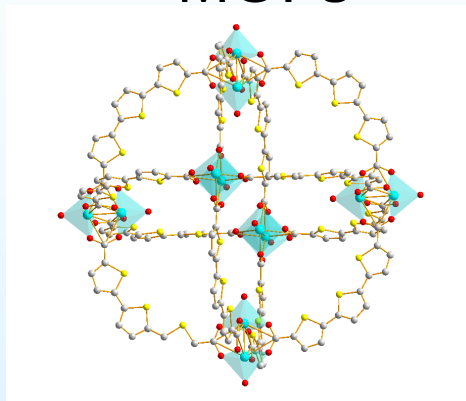
# Sources of inspiration

## Enzymes



- Organic
- Multinuclear sites
- Flexible
- Low thermal stability

## MOFs



- Hybrid
- Multinuclear sites
- “Semi-rigid”
- 200-400°C

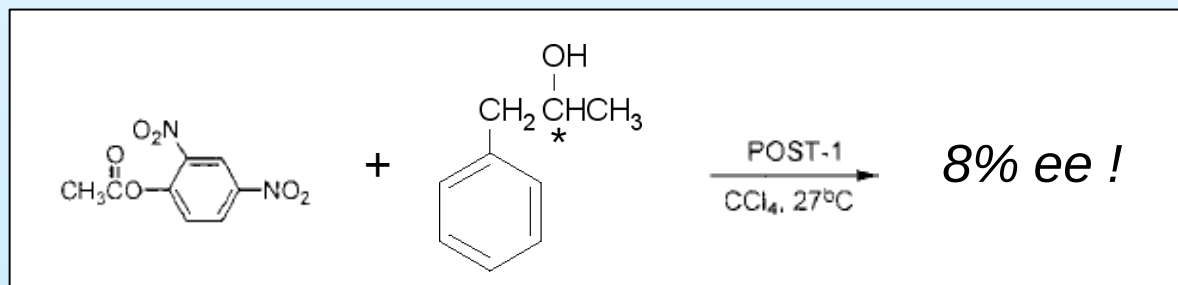
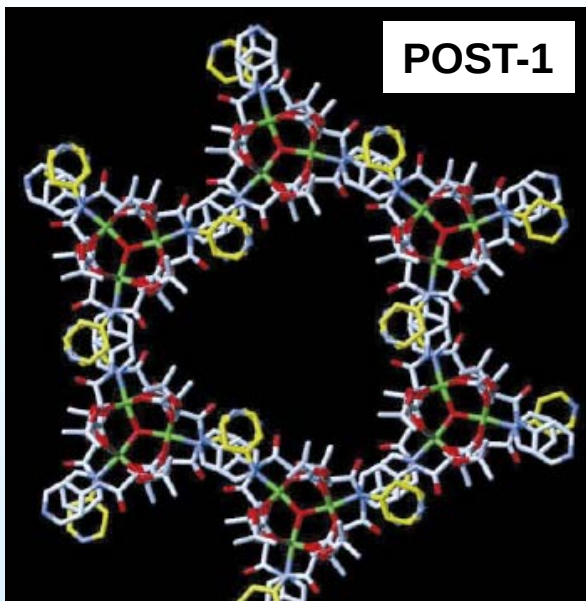
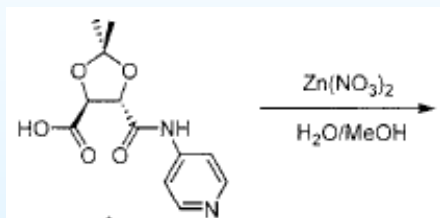
## Zeolites



- Inorganic
- Isolate acid sites
- Rigid
- High thermal stability

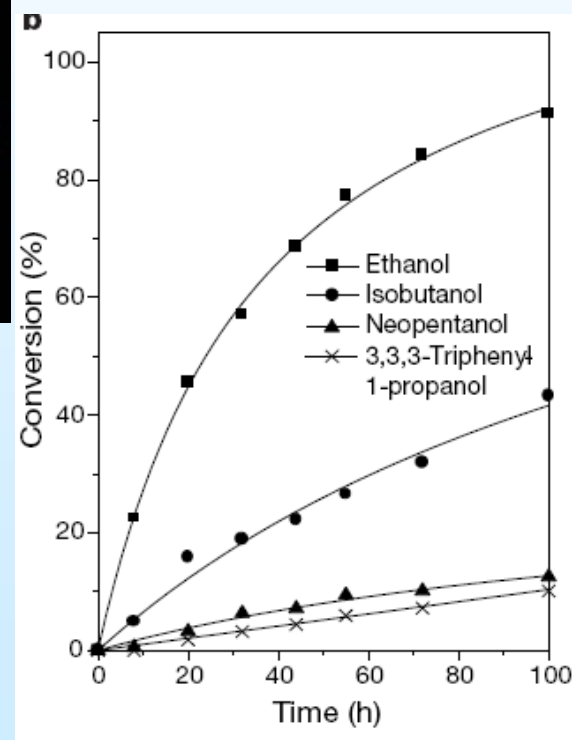


- Homochiral MOF
- Lewis Base



- Enantioselectivity ?
- Pore size effect ?

## Esterification



# Asymmetric alcoholytic kinetic resolution of styrene oxide

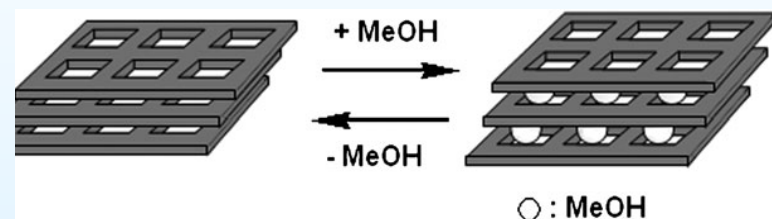
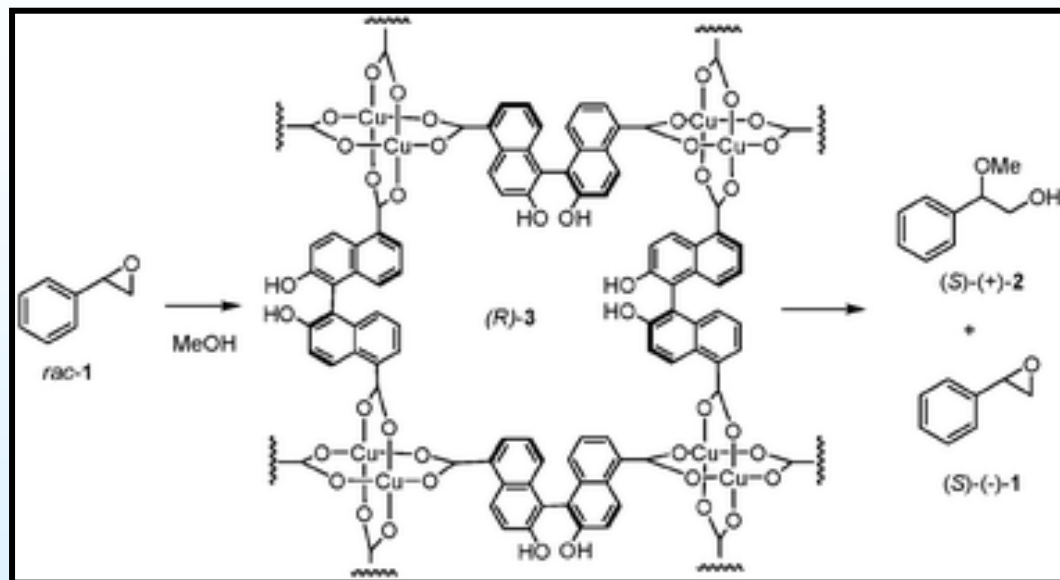


Table 1 Kinetic resolution of styrene oxide in the presence of (*R*)-3<sup>a</sup>

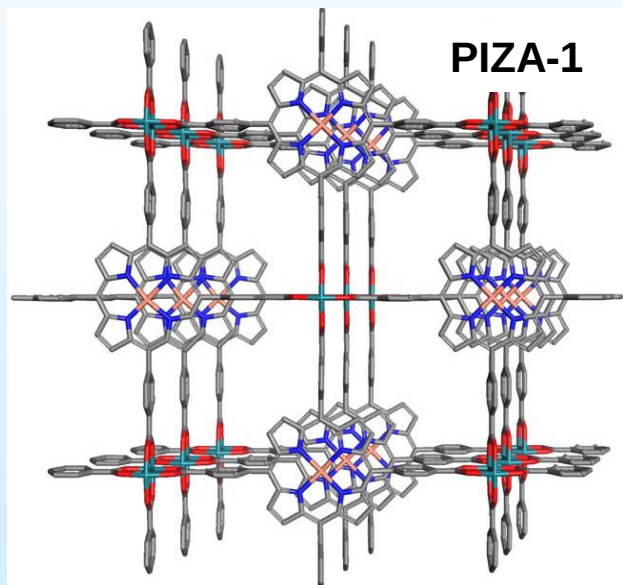
| Entry | Epoxide        | Alcohol        | Temp/°C | Unreacted 1 |                     | Product 2 |                     |
|-------|----------------|----------------|---------|-------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------|
|       |                |                |         | Yield (%)   | ee <sup>b</sup> (%) | Yield (%) | ee <sup>b</sup> (%) |
| 1     | <i>rac</i> -1  | MeOH           | 25      | 83          | 5 ( <i>S</i> )      | 5         | 81 ( <i>S</i> )     |
| 2     | <i>rac</i> -1  | MeOH           | 40      | 64          | 19 ( <i>S</i> )     | 20        | 62 ( <i>S</i> )     |
| 3     | <i>rac</i> -1  | MeOH           | 60      | 29          | 98 ( <i>S</i> )     | 66        | 37 ( <i>S</i> )     |
| 4     | ( <i>R</i> )-1 | MeOH           | 40      | 50          | > 99 ( <i>R</i> )   | 48        | > 99 ( <i>S</i> )   |
| 5     | ( <i>S</i> )-1 | MeOH           | 40      | 92          | > 99 ( <i>S</i> )   | 5         | > 99 ( <i>R</i> )   |
| 6     | <i>rac</i> -1  | EtOH           | 40      | 81          | 0.4 <sup>c</sup>    | 3         | 12 <sup>c</sup>     |
| 7     | <i>rac</i> -1  | <i>i</i> -PrOH | 40      | 84          | 0.3 <sup>c</sup>    | 2         | 4 <sup>c</sup>      |
| 8     | <i>rac</i> -1  | <i>t</i> -BuOH | 40      | 86          | 0.3 <sup>c</sup>    | 0         | —                   |

<sup>a</sup> Reactions were carried out for 24 h. <sup>b</sup> Determined by HPLC. <sup>c</sup> Determined by GC.

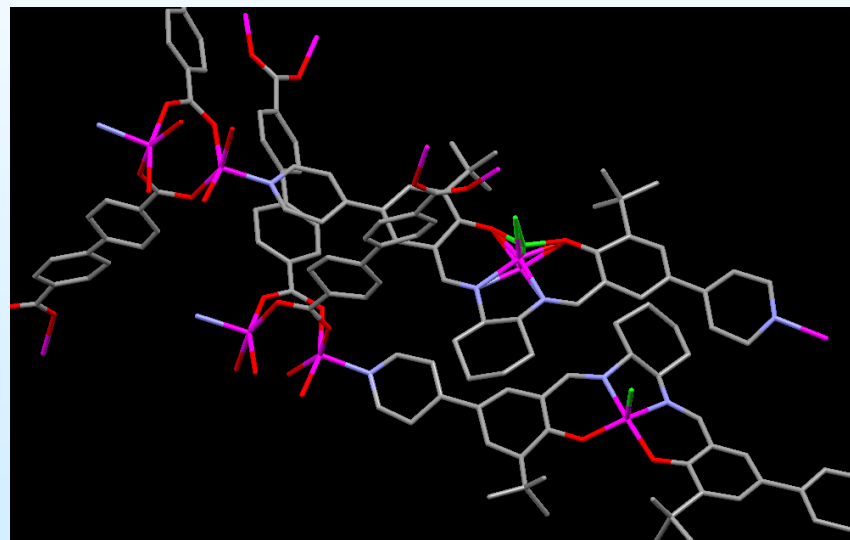
# Bio-mimetic metallo-ligands

- Linker = bio-mimetic catalyst

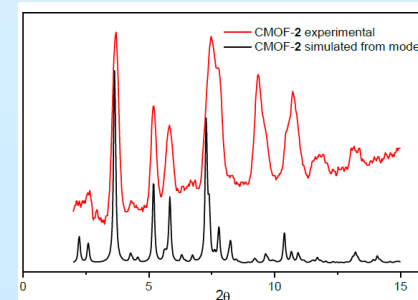
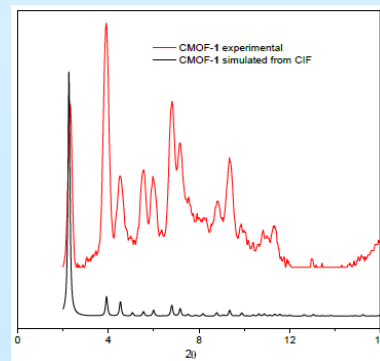
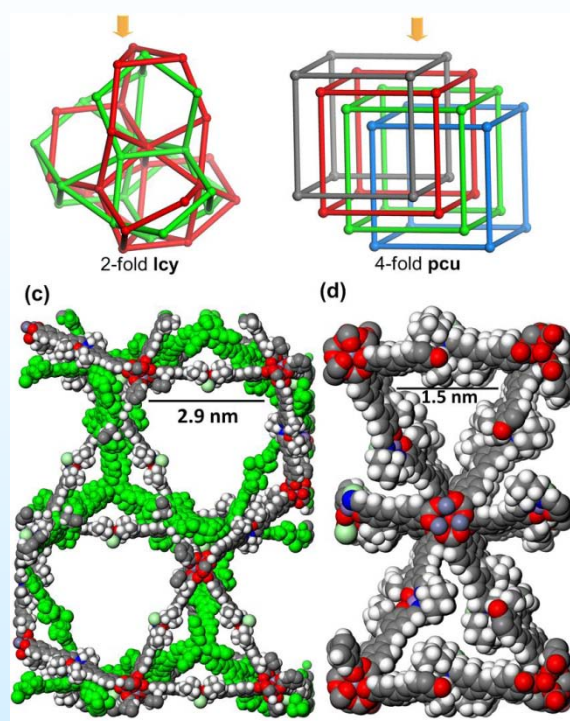
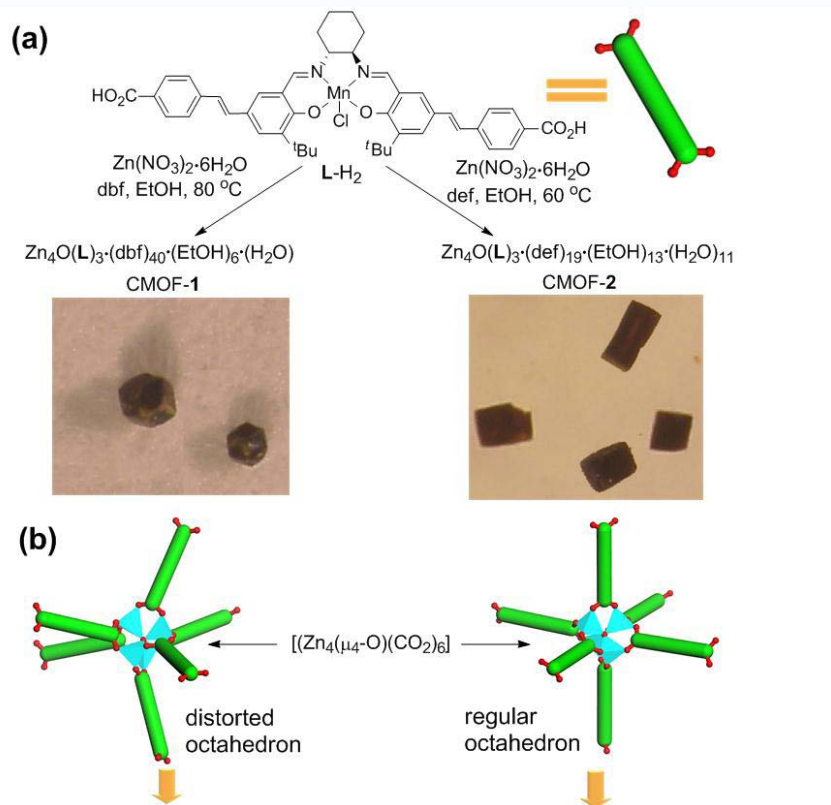
*Porphyrin*



*Mn(Salen)*

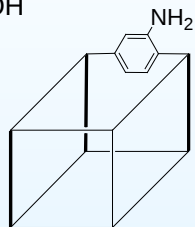
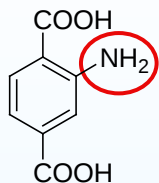


# Net interpenetration to adjust pore size

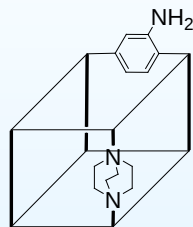


Characterisation....  
Activity rate vs. Cost ?

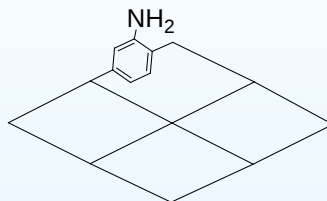
W. Lin, Nat. Chem, 2010



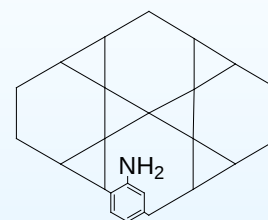
IRMOF-3<sup>1</sup>



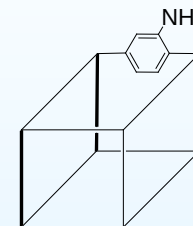
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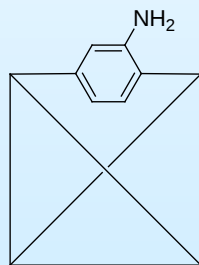
MIL-53(Al<sup>3+</sup>, Fe<sup>4+</sup>)



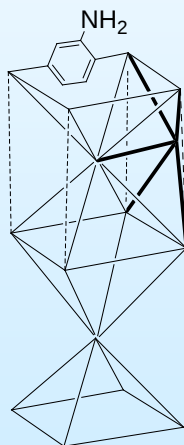
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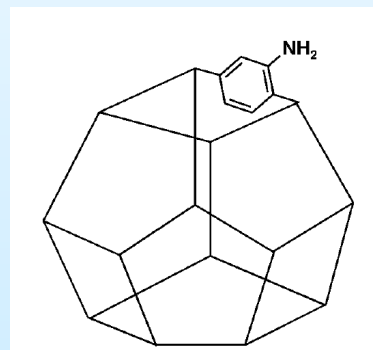
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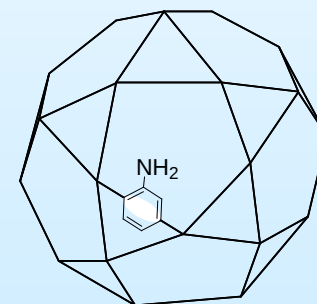
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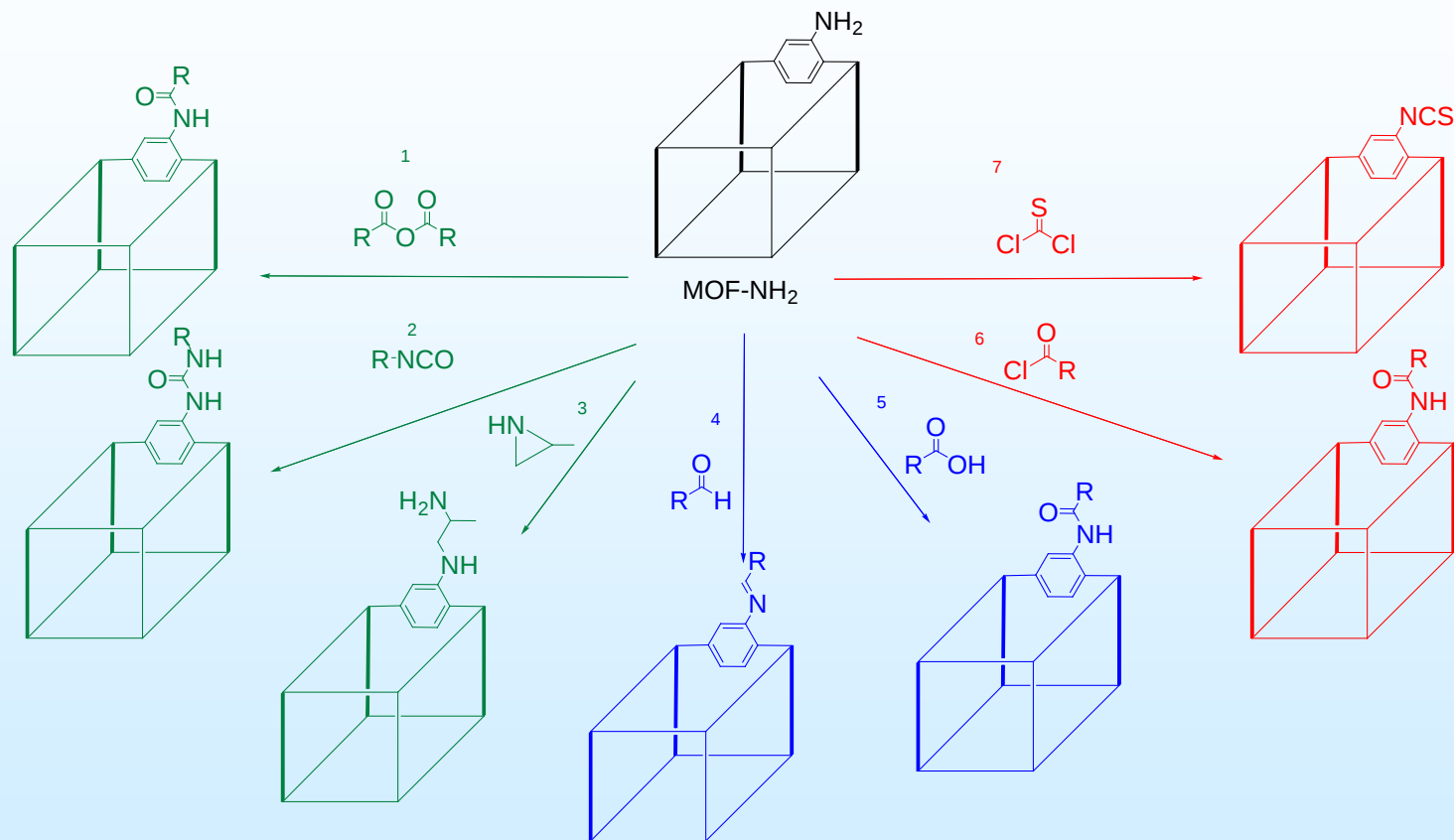
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# Post-functionalisation methods



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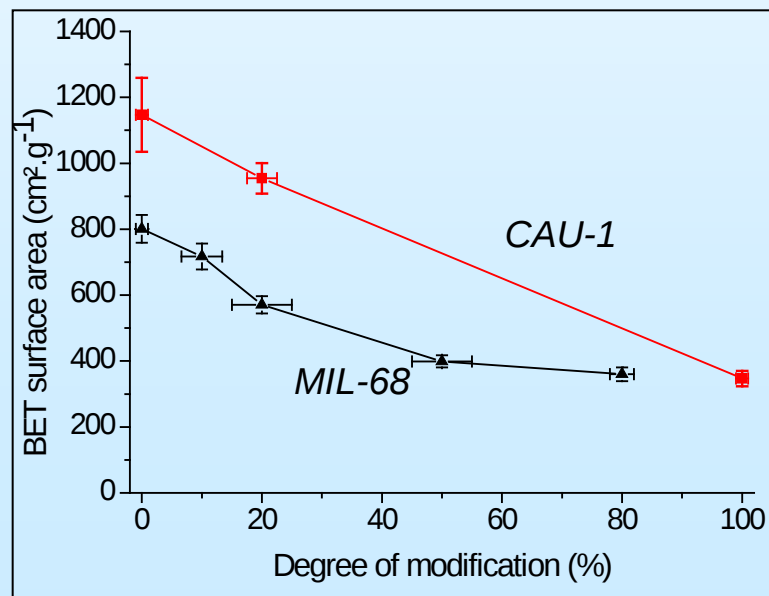
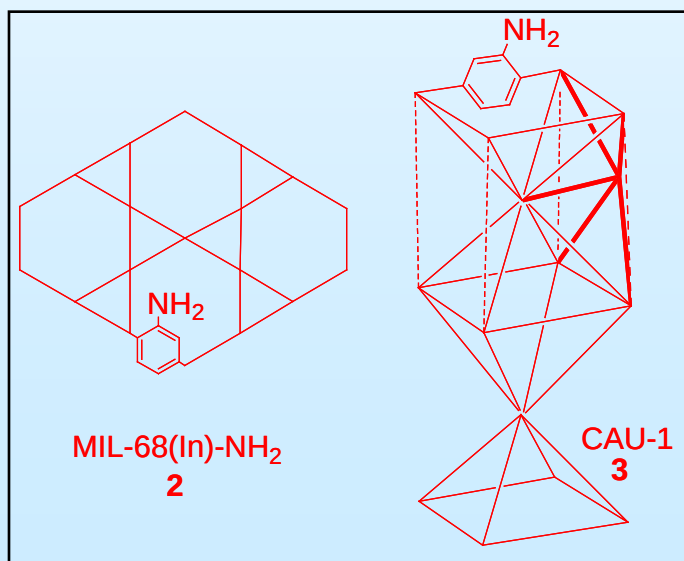
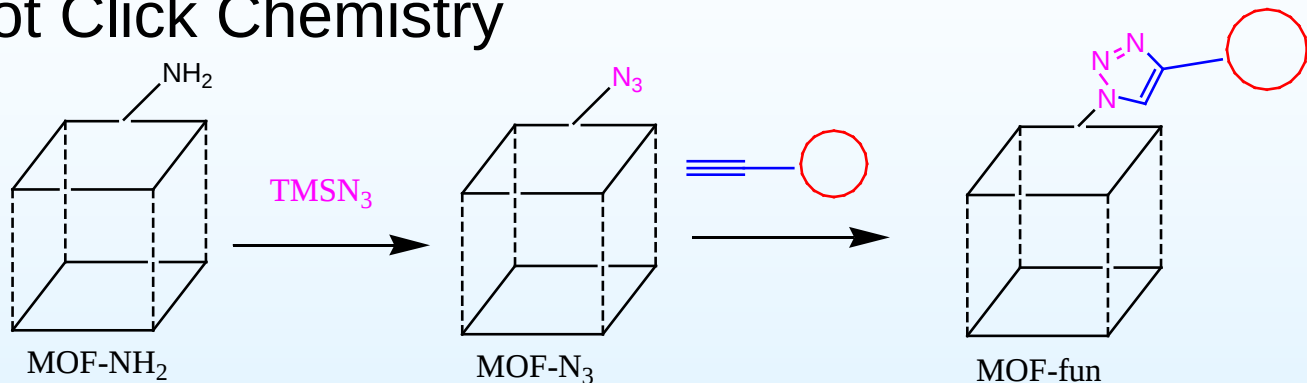
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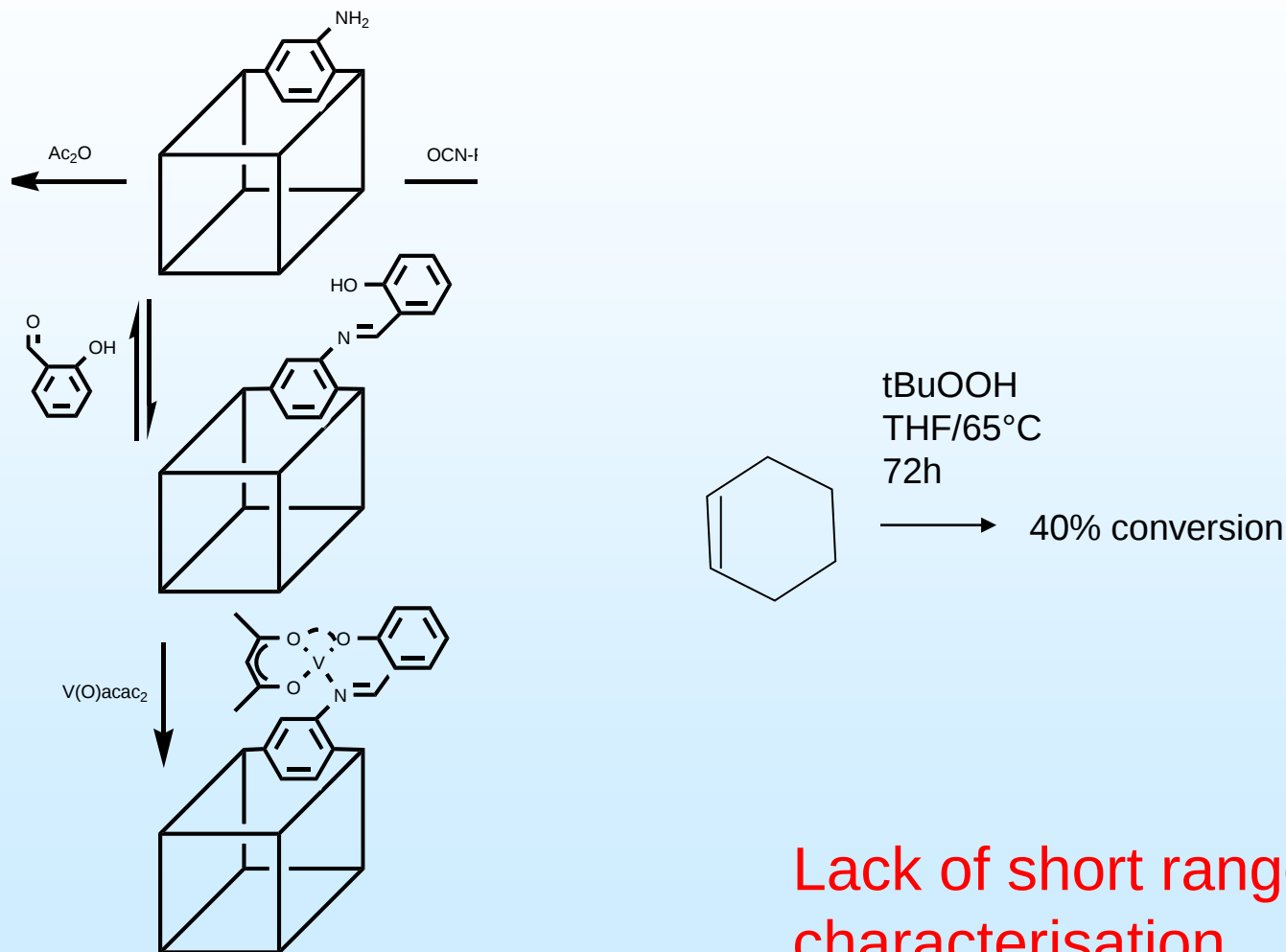
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# Post-functionalisation vs. Porosity ?

- One pot Click Chemistry



# Surface Organometallic species

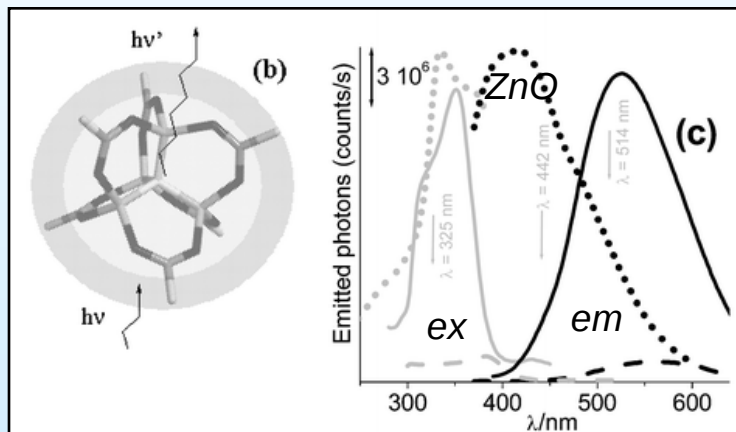


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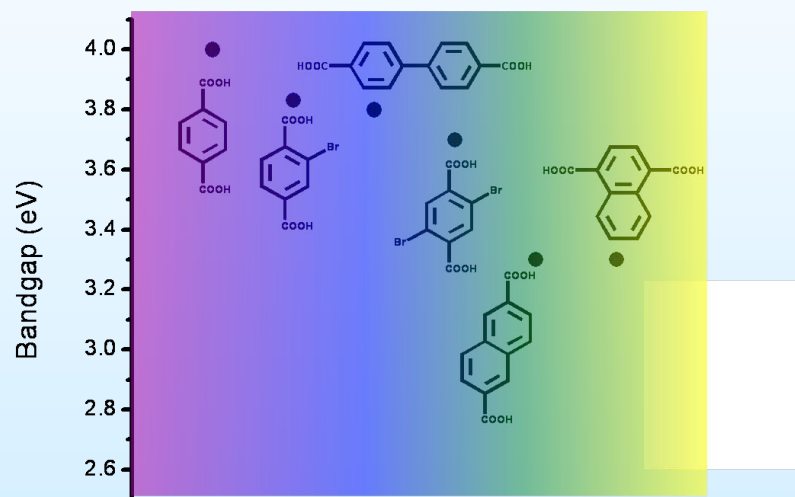
# MOFs: Photocatalysis

- MOF-5 : photoluminescent material

Zn<sub>4</sub>O<sub>13</sub> node = Quantum dots  
Linkers = antenna for  $h\nu$



Effect of the linker on the bandgap

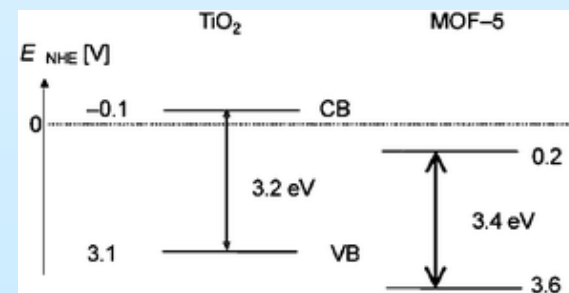


- MOF-5 : Strong oxidizing semi-conductor

Corma et al., *J. Mater. Chem*, 2010

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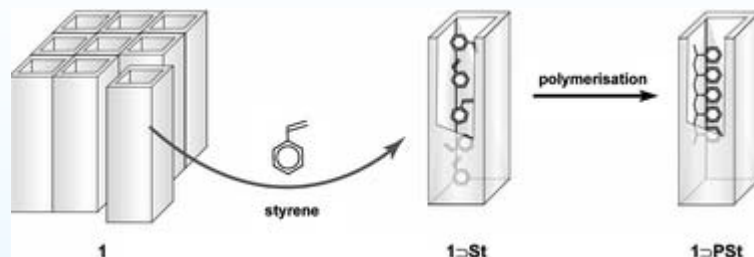


# Polymerisation

- Topotactic polymerization in 1D MOF

*Kitagawa et al, Angew. Chem., 2004*

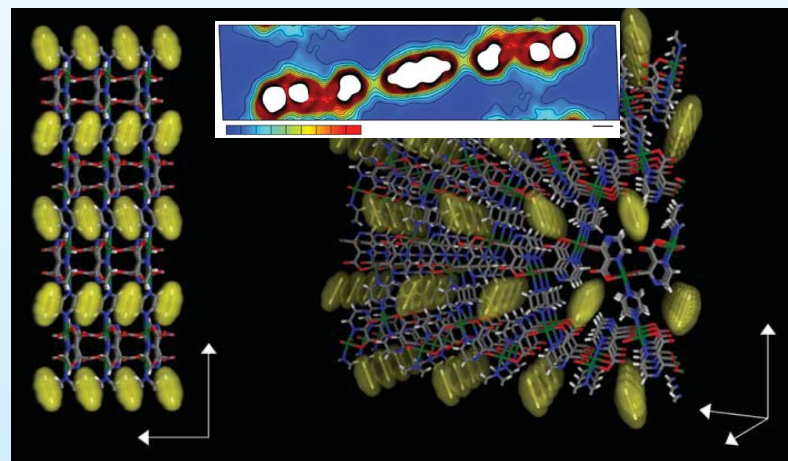
$M_w/M_n=1.6$



7.8 x 7.8

- Anionic polymerization of acetylene in 1D MOF

*Kitagawa et al, Nature, 2005*



- Polycarbonates from epoxides & CO<sub>2</sub> in 3D MOF(Zn)

*Mueller, US patent, 2003*

Zinc glutarate = 2nd catalyst generation

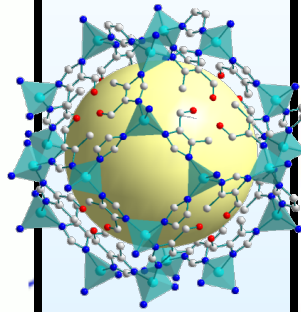
$M_w = 60.000-75.000 \text{ g/mol}$

# Marketing ?

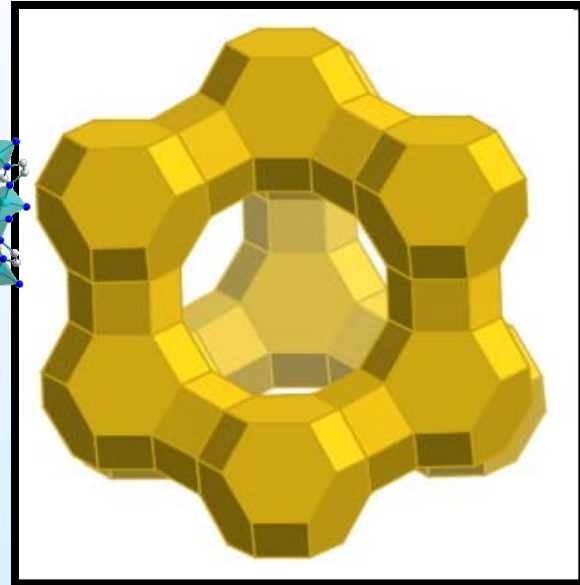
## Enzymes



## MOFs



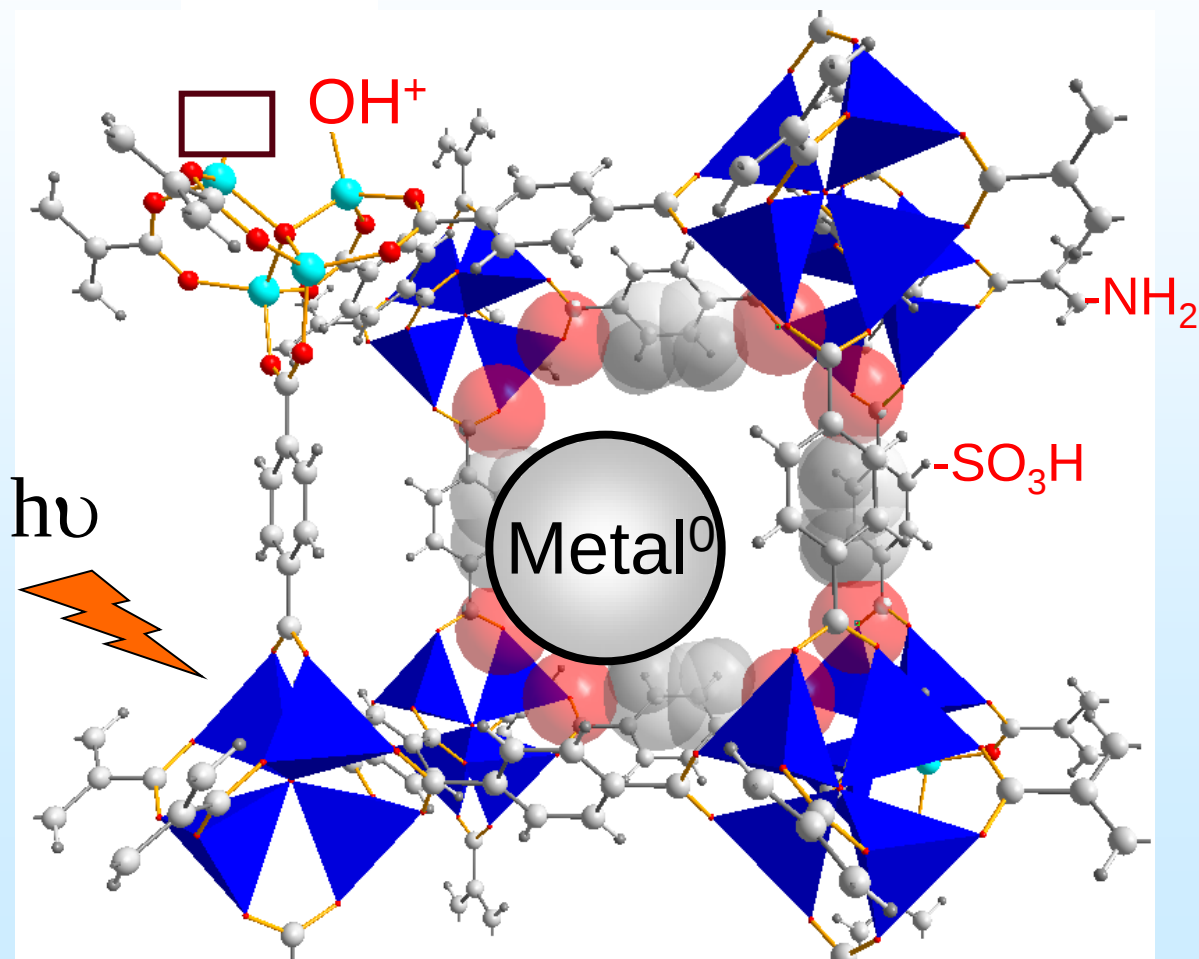
## Zeolites





Think different.

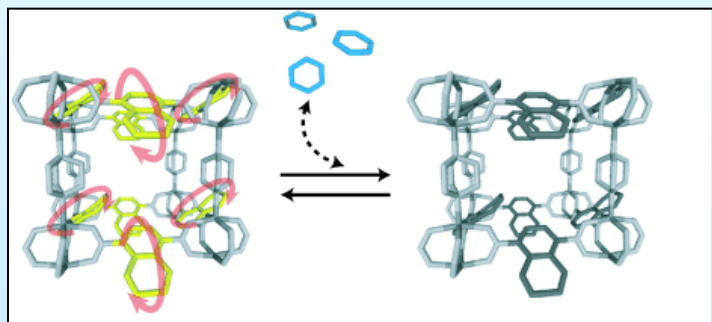
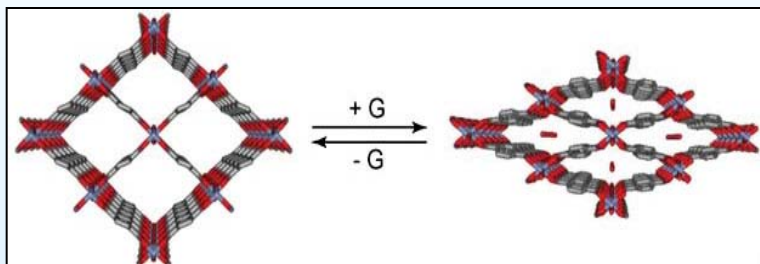
# Think different !



# Flexibility & molecular recognition

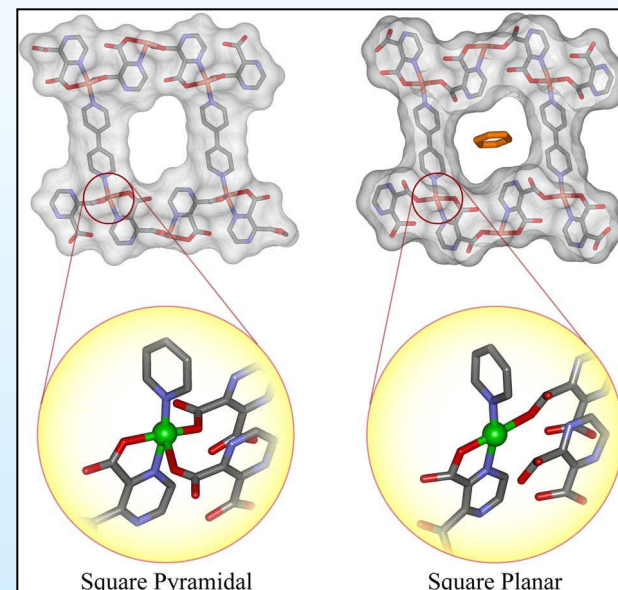
- Pore flexibility upon guest adsorption
- Rotating ligand with Temperature

MIL-53



$[Zn_2(1,4-ndc)_2-(dabco)]_n$

CPL-2



*S. Kitagawa et al, Angew. Chem. 2006, 118, 5054*

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