

Supporting Information

Charged Functional Group Effects on Metal-Organic Framework for Selective Organic Dye Adsorptions

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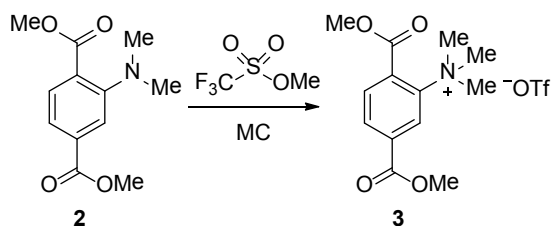
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I. General Methods for Experiments.

Concentration of solution was carried out by using a rotary evaporator with a water aspirator, and generally followed by removal of residual solvents on a vacuum line held at 0.1–1 torr. Unless otherwise stated, all commercial reagents and solvents were used without additional purification. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on pre-coated silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ plates. Visualization on TLC was achieved by the use of UV light (254 nm). Flash column chromatography was undertaken on silica gel (400-630 mesh). Proton nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (¹H NMR) were recorded on FT AM 400 (400 MHz). Chemical shifts were quoted in parts per million (ppm) referenced to the appropriate solvent peak or 0 ppm for TMS. The following abbreviations were used to describe peak patterns when appropriate: br = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, and m = multiplet. Coupling constants, *J*, were reported in Hertz unit (Hz). Carbon 13 nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy (¹³C NMR) was recorded on FT AM 400 (100 MHz) and was fully decoupled by broad band decoupling. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm referenced to the center line of a septet at 39.52 ppm of DMSO-*d*₆. High resolution mass spectra (HR-MS) were obtained from the Korea Basic Science Institute (Daegu) by using FAB method and from the Chungbuk National University Center for Research Facilities using ESI method.

II. Ligand Synthesis

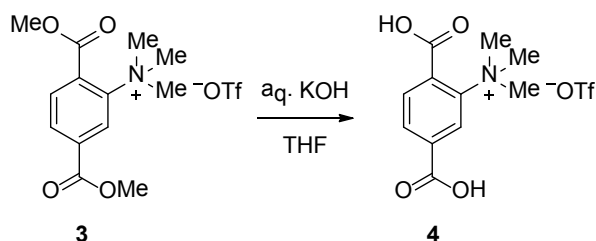
2-(Dimethylamino)terephthalic acid (**1**) and Dimethyl-2-(dimethylamino)terephthalate (**2**) prepared as previously described.^{S1}



2,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)-N,N,N-trimethylbenzenaminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (**3**)^{S2}

2 (390 mg, 1.64 mmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). Methyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (350 μL, 3.28 mmol) was added by dropwise to the mixture at room temperature. The solution was stirred at room temperature for overnight. Once conversion was complete (monitored by TLC), the solvent was evaporated. The solid mixture was separated by silica gel column chromatography (10% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) and the desired compound, 2,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)-N,N,N-trimethylbenzenaminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (**3**, 496 mg, 75%) were obtained as a colorless solid.

¹H NMR (DMSO, 400 MHz, ppm.): δ 8.45 (1H, d, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 8.25 (1H, dd, *J* = 8, 1.3 Hz), 7.98 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.80 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (DMSO, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 167.7, 164.3, 143.2, 133.0, 132.5, 130.9, 130.7, 123.0, 57.2, 54.6, 53.1. ESI-HR-MS(+) *m/z* calcd. For C₁₃H₁₈NO₄⁺ [*M*]⁺: 252.1230, found [*M*]⁺: 252.1230.



2,5-dicarboxy-*N,N,N*-trimethylbenzenaminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (**4**)

3 (200 mg, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in 2.5 mL of 4% aqueous KOH solution. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for overnight. Once conversion was complete (monitored by TLC), water was removed by evaporation and the mixture was acidified with a 1.0 M HCl aqueous solution. Then methanol was added to dissolve desired compound. The solution was filtered, and evaporated of methanol. The desired compound, 2,5-dicarboxy-*N,N,N*-trimethyl benzenaminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (**4**, 140 mg, 74%) was obtained as a colorless solid.

¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 400MHz, ppm.): δ 8.42 (1H, d, *J* = 1.0 Hz), 8.18 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.1 Hz), 7.88 (1H, d, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 2.87 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 169.5, 165.4, 142.6, 133.7, 132.6, 131.9, 131.0, 122.8, 56.9. ESI-HR-MS(+) *m/z* calcd. For C₁₁H₁₄NO₄⁺ [*M*]⁺: 224.0917, found [*M*]⁺: 224.0917.

III. MOF Synthesis

UiO-66 Synthesis

The UiO-66 series were prepared and activated using a modified method from what has been previously described.^{S3}

UiO-66-NH₂: 2-aminoterephthalic acid (63.4 mg, 0.35 mmol) and ZrCl₄ (82 mg, 0.35 mmol) and DMF (4 mL) were placed in a Teflon lined autoclave and heated at 120 °C for 24 h. The microcrystalline powders were then isolated by centrifugation and residual DMF and ligand precursors were removed from the material by washing with 10 mL DMF three times. Then the solid was soaked with fresh 10 mL methanol. This process was repeated for three days.

UiO-66-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻: **4** (131 mg, 0.35 mmol) and ZrCl₄ (82 mg, 0.35 mmol), acetic acid (600 μL) and DMF (4 mL) were placed in a Teflon lined autoclave and heated at 150 °C for 24 h. The microcrystalline powders were then isolated by centrifugation and residual DMF and ligand precursors were removed from the material by washing with 10 mL DMF three times. Then the solid was soaked with fresh 10 mL methanol. This process was repeated for three days.

DMOF Synthesis

The DMOF-1 series was prepared and activated using a modified method from what has been previously described.^{S4}

DMOF-1-NMe₂: **1** (105 mg, 0.5 mmol) and Zn(NO₃)₂·6H₂O (149 mg, 0.5 mmol) were dissolved in 12.5 mL of DMF. To this mixture, dabco (90 mg, 0.8 mmol) was added. Upon adding, a white

precipitate formed. This precipitate was filtered using a filter with a fritted disc of fine porosity. The solution was then transferred to a scintillation vial and heated at a rate of 2.5 °C/min from room temperature to 100 °C. The temperature was then held for 12 h and then cooled to temperature at a rate of 2.5 °C/min. The resulting crystals were then washed three times with 5 mL of DMF. The solvent was then exchanged with chloroform (5 mL) over three days, replacing the old chloroform with fresh chloroform every 24 h.

DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻: approximately 50 mg of DMOF-1-NMe₂ (0.15 mmol, equiv of -NMe₂) was placed in a vial with 3 equiv. (0.45 mmol) of methyl trifluoromethanesulfonate dissolved in 4.5 mL of CHCl₃. The sample was heated at 40 °C for 24 h, after which the solution was decanted and the crystals were washed with 2 × 5 mL of CHCl₃. A fresh solution of the methyl trifluoromethanesulfonate was added to the vial, and the mixture was heated for an additional 24 h. The aforementioned procedure was repeated three more times, giving a total reaction time of 5 days. After the reaction was complete, the CHCl₃ solution was decanted, and the crystals were washed with 3 × 5 mL of CHCl₃ before soaking in 5 mL of pure CHCl₃ for 3 days of soaking the crystals were stored in the last CHCl₃ solution until analyzed. After acid digestion of MOF, the material was analyzed by ¹H NMR, IR and HR-MS. FAB-HR-MS(+) *m/z* calcd. For C₁₁H₁₄NO₄ [*M*]⁺: 224.0923, found [*M*]⁺: 224.0924.

IV. MOF Characterization

Digestion and Analysis by ¹H NMR of UiO-66-NHMe and -NMe₃⁺OTf⁻: approximately 10 mg of UiO-66 material was dried under vacuum and digested with sonication in 580 μL of DMSO-*d*₆ and 20 μL of HF (48% aqueous solution).

Digestion and Analysis by ¹H NMR of DMOF-1-NH₂, -NMe₂ and -NMe₃⁺OTf⁻: approximately 10 mg of DMOF-1 material was dried under vacuum and digested with sonication in 590 μL of DMSO-*d*₆ and 10 μL of DCl.

Thermal Analysis: Approximately 10 mg of DMOF was used for TGA measurements, after BET analysis (activated). Sample was analyzed under a stream of N₂ using a TGA/DSC 1 running from room temperature to 1000 °C with a scan rate of 10 °C/min.

Powder X-ray Diffraction: approximately 10 mg of DMOF-1 was air-dried for 1 min prior to PXRD analysis. PXRD data was collected at ambient temperature on a Bruker D8 Discover at 40 kV, 40 mA for CuKα (λ = 1.5406 Å), with a scan speed of 1 sec/step, a step size of 0.02° in 2θ, and a 2θ range of 5-55°.

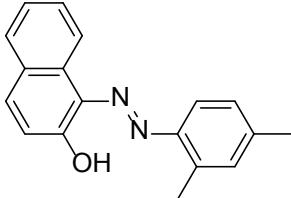
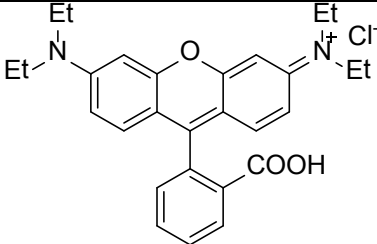
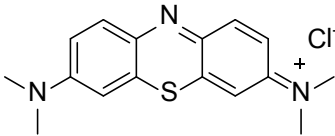
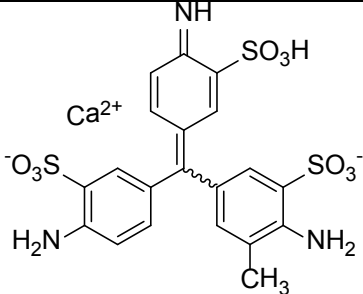
BET Surface Area Analysis: approximately 30-50 mg of DMOF-1 sample was evacuated under vacuum for a moment at room temperature. Samples were then transferred to a pre-weighed sample tube and degassed at 100 °C on a Micromeritics ASAP 2020 Adsorption Analyzer for a minimum of 12 h or until the outgas rate was <5 μmHg/min. The sample tube was re-weighed to obtain a consistent mass for the degassed MOF materials. High purity gases (N₂ and Ar: 99.999%) were used for the measurements. The linearized BET model was fit to the N₂ 77 K adsorption data of MOFs within the relative pressure range 0.005 < P/P₀ < 0.1, for calculation of surface area. Pore size

distribution was calculated using NLDFT model available from ASAP-2020 program package fitted to Ar 87 K adsorption data.^{S5, S6}

V. Organic Dye Adsorption Experiment

Dye stock solution was prepared by dissolving a dye (Sudan II, Rhodamine B, Methylene Blue, or Acid Fuchsin calcium salt) in acetonitrile solvent with concentration of 20 ppm for Sudan II, Rhodamine B, Methylene Blue and 24 ppm for Acid Fuchsin calcium salt. The concentration of dye solution was determined by absorbance of the solution (Shimazu UV-Vis spectrometer, UV-2550). The calibration curve was drawn in a range of 1.25 – 20 ppm for Sudan II, Rhodamine B, Methylene Blue, and 2.5 – 40 ppm for Acid Fuchsin calcium salt. Adsorbent MOFs were dried overnight under dynamic vacuum at 100 °C to removal of residual solvent before dye adsorption experiments. The adsorbent (~2 mg) was soaked in the dye stock solutions (5 mL) followed by rigorous stirring with a magnetic bar during designated time (1 – 600 min) at room temperature. After adsorption for the designated time, the dye solution was separated from the adsorbents using a syringe filter (PTFE, 0.45 mm) and the dye concentration was determined by UV-Vis spectra.

Table S1 List and structural information of organic dye molecules.

Organic Dye Molecule	Structure	Molecular Formula
Sudan II (SII)		$C_{18}H_{16}N_2O$ Molecular Weight: 276.33
Rhodamine B (RB)		$C_{28}H_{31}ClN_2O_3$ Molecular Weight: 479.01
Methylene Blue (MB)		$C_{16}H_{18}ClN_3S$ Molecular Weight: 319.85
Acid Fuchsin calcium salt (AF)		$C_{20}H_{17}CaN_3O_9S_3$ Molecular Weight: 479.01

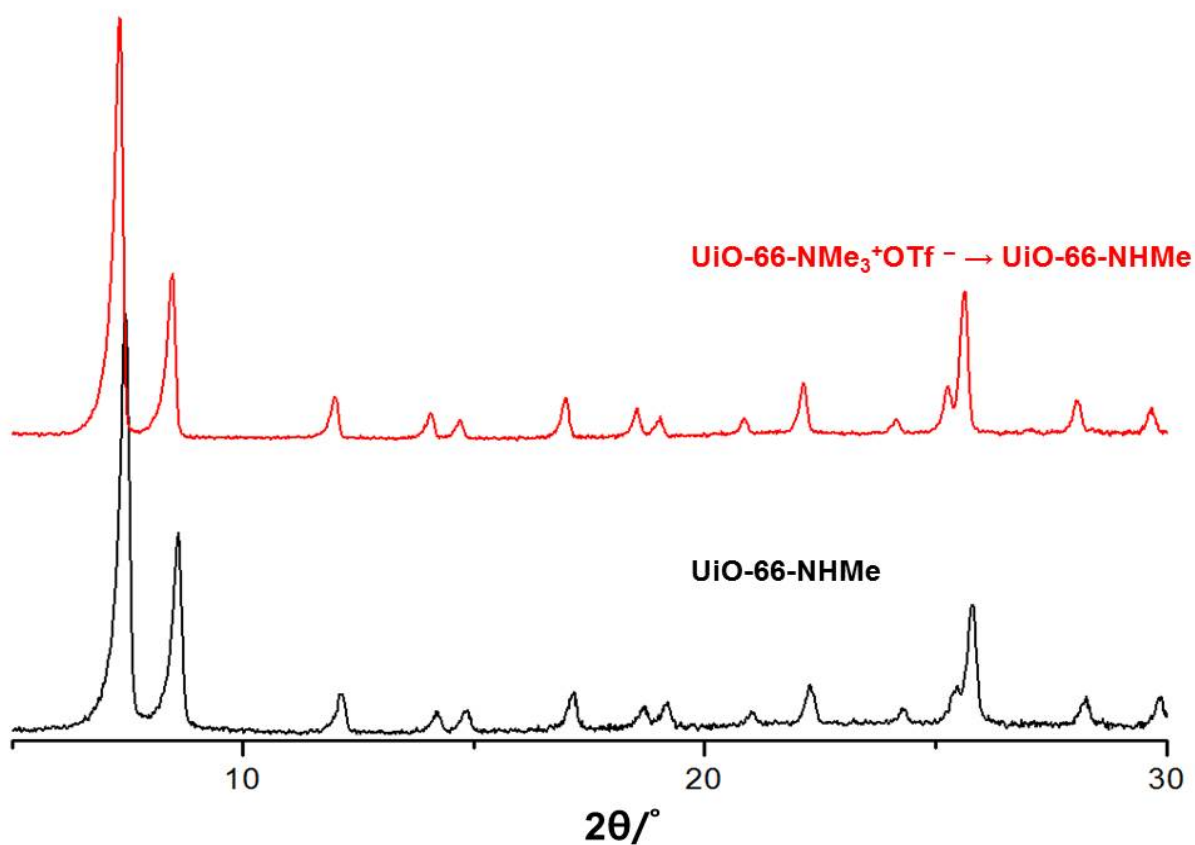


Fig. S1 PXRD patterns of UiO-66-NHMe and $-\text{NMe}_3^+\text{OTf}^-$.

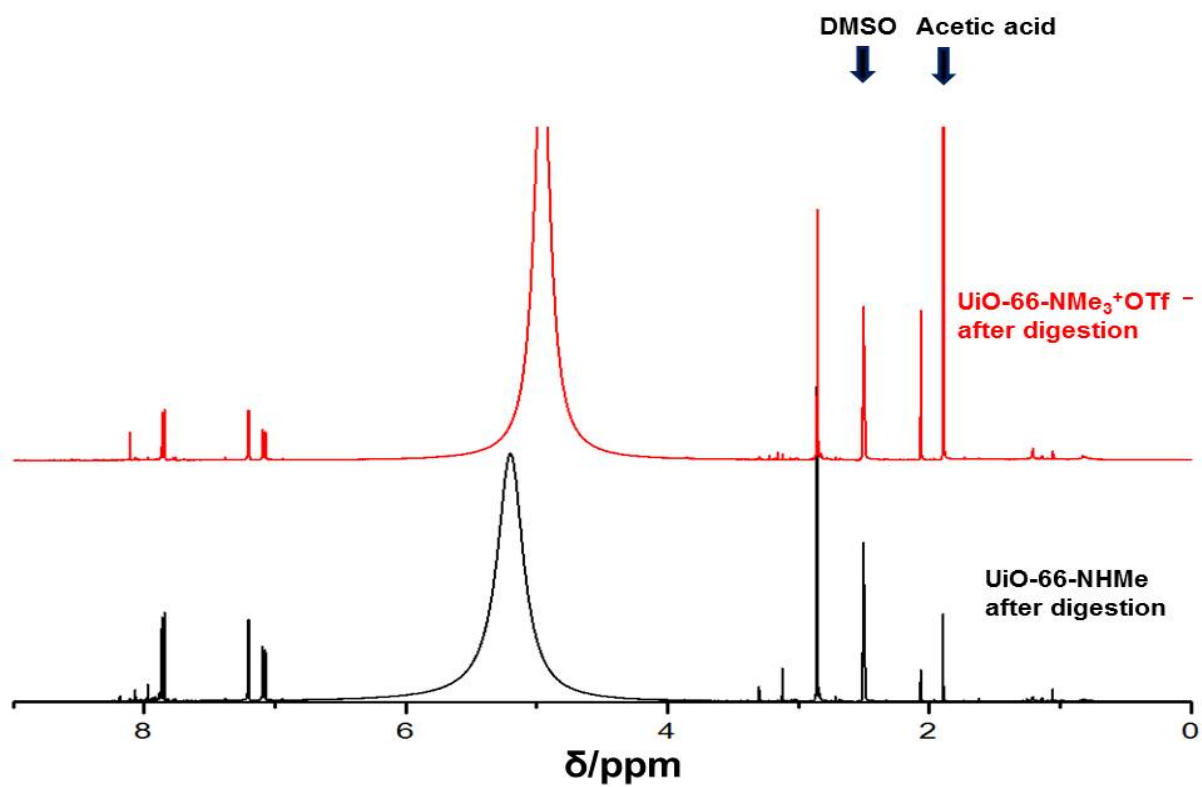
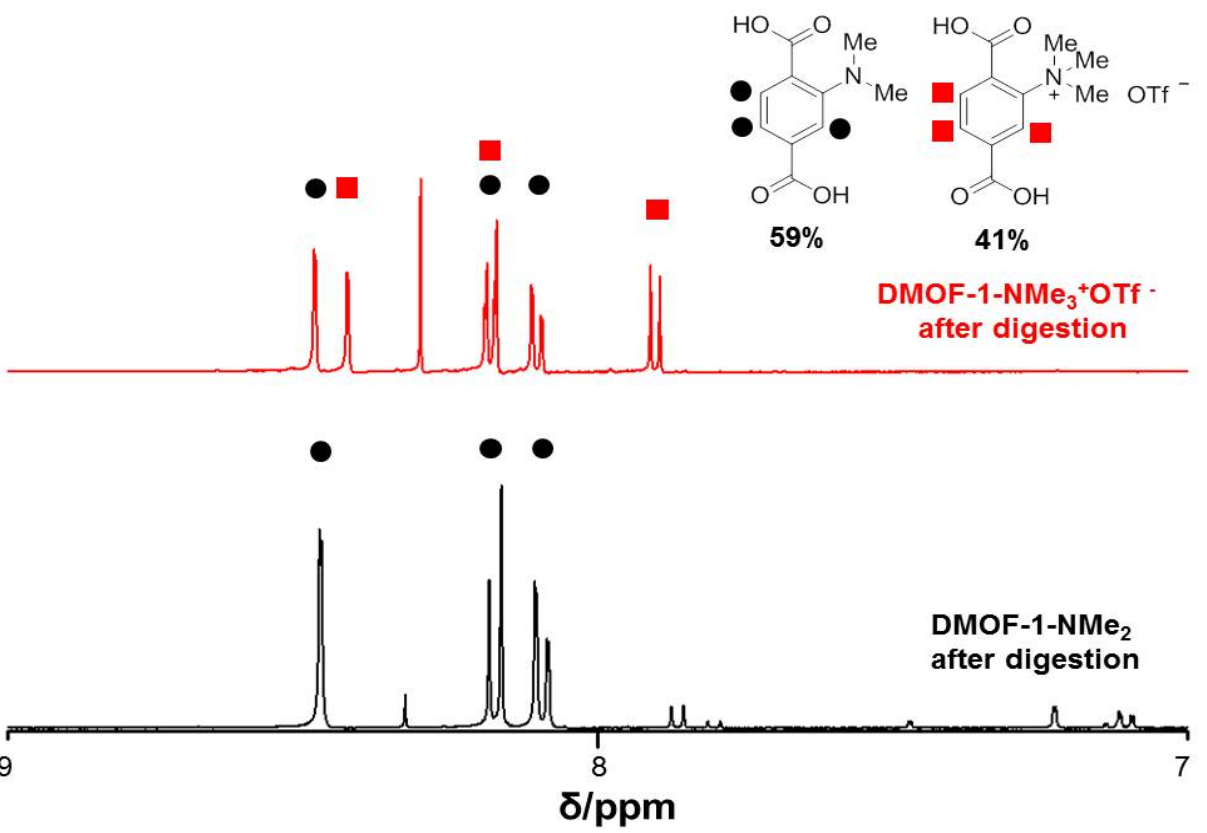
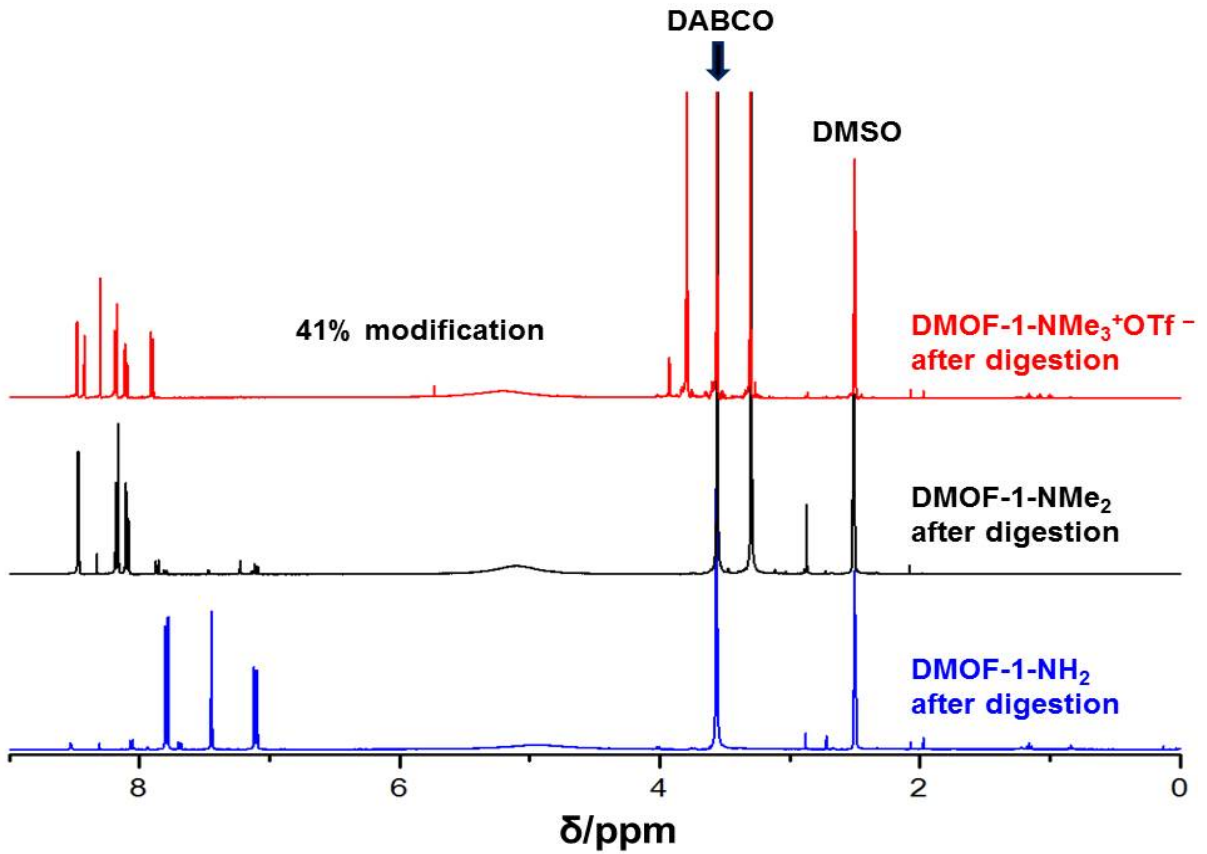


Fig. S2 ^1H NMR of UiO-66-NHMe and $-\text{NMe}_3^+\text{OTf}^-$ after acid digestion.



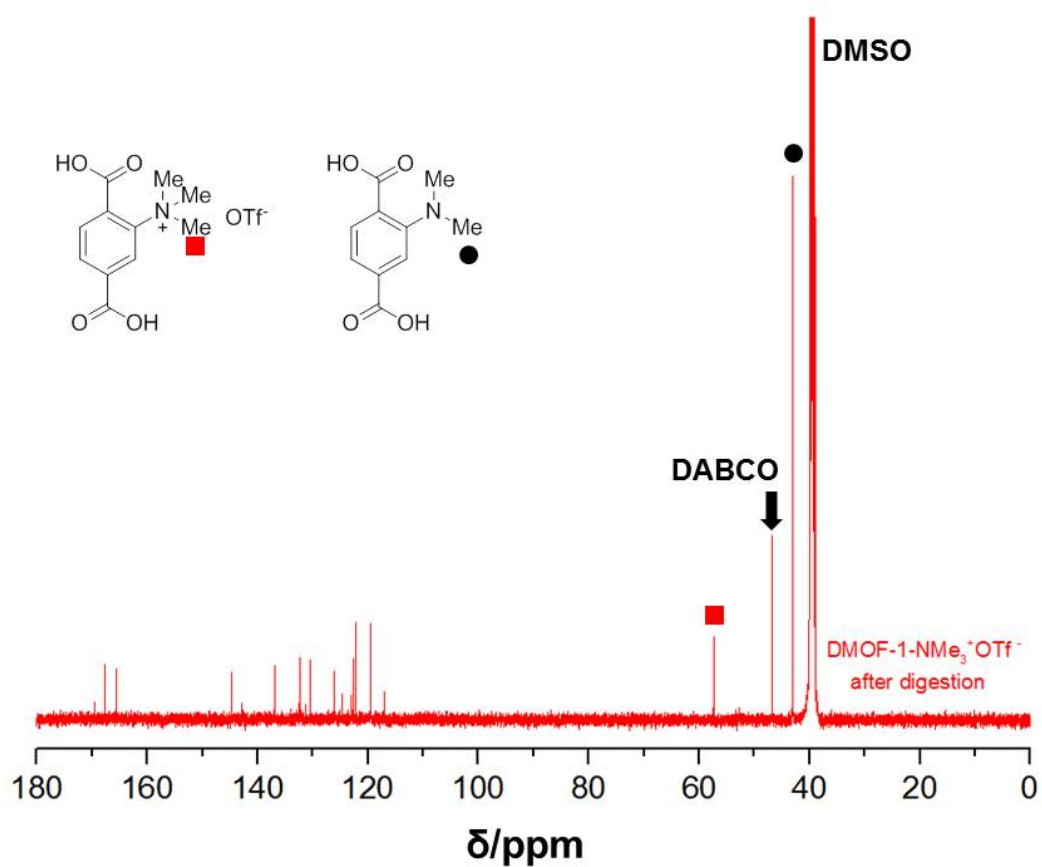


Fig. S3 ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR of DMOF-1- NH_2 , - NMe_2 and - $\text{NMe}_3^+\text{OTf}^-$ after digestion (top: full-range, bottom: aromatic region).

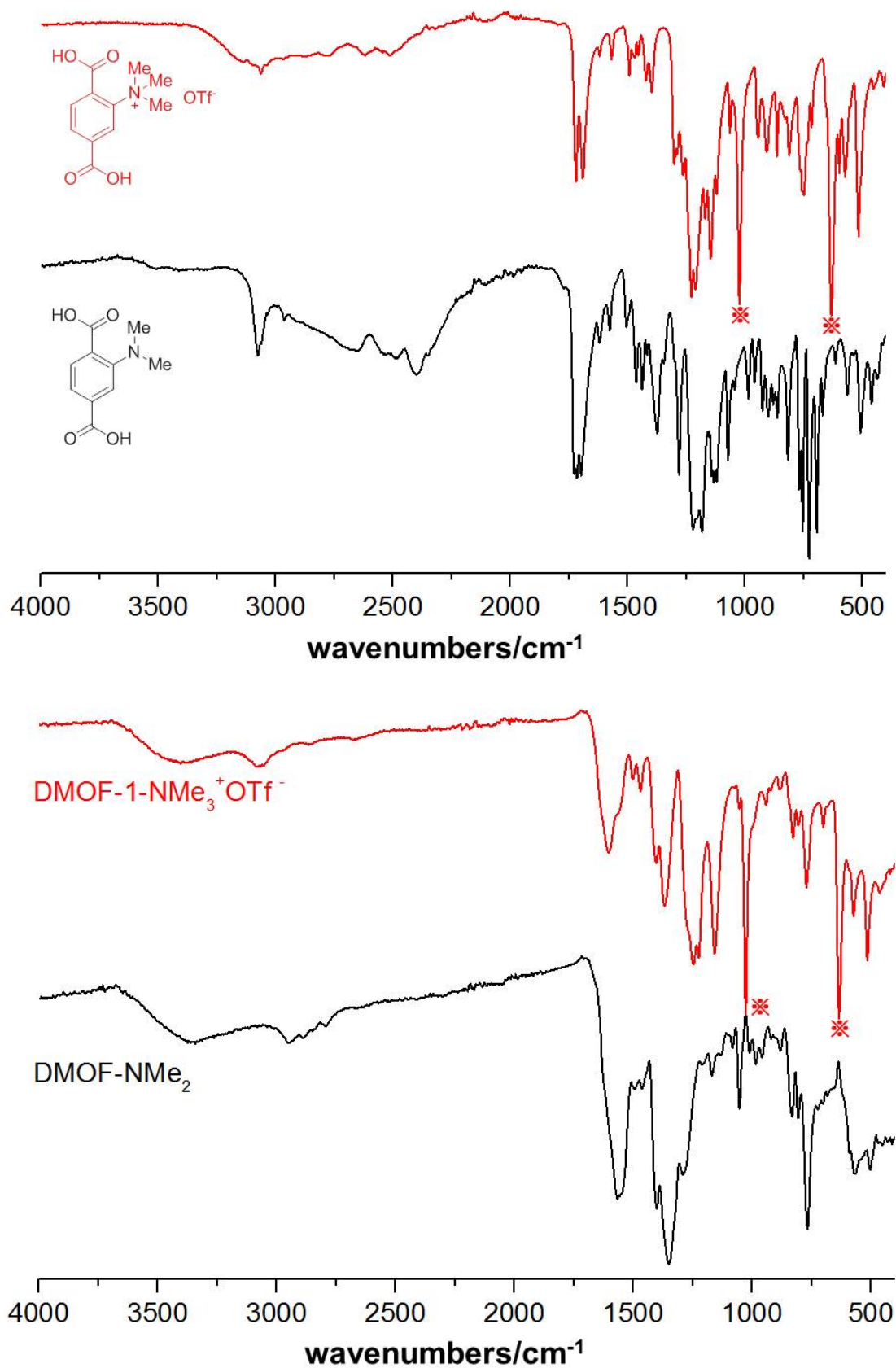


Fig. S4 IR spectrum changes of BDC ligands (top) and MOFs (bottom) after ammonium formations.

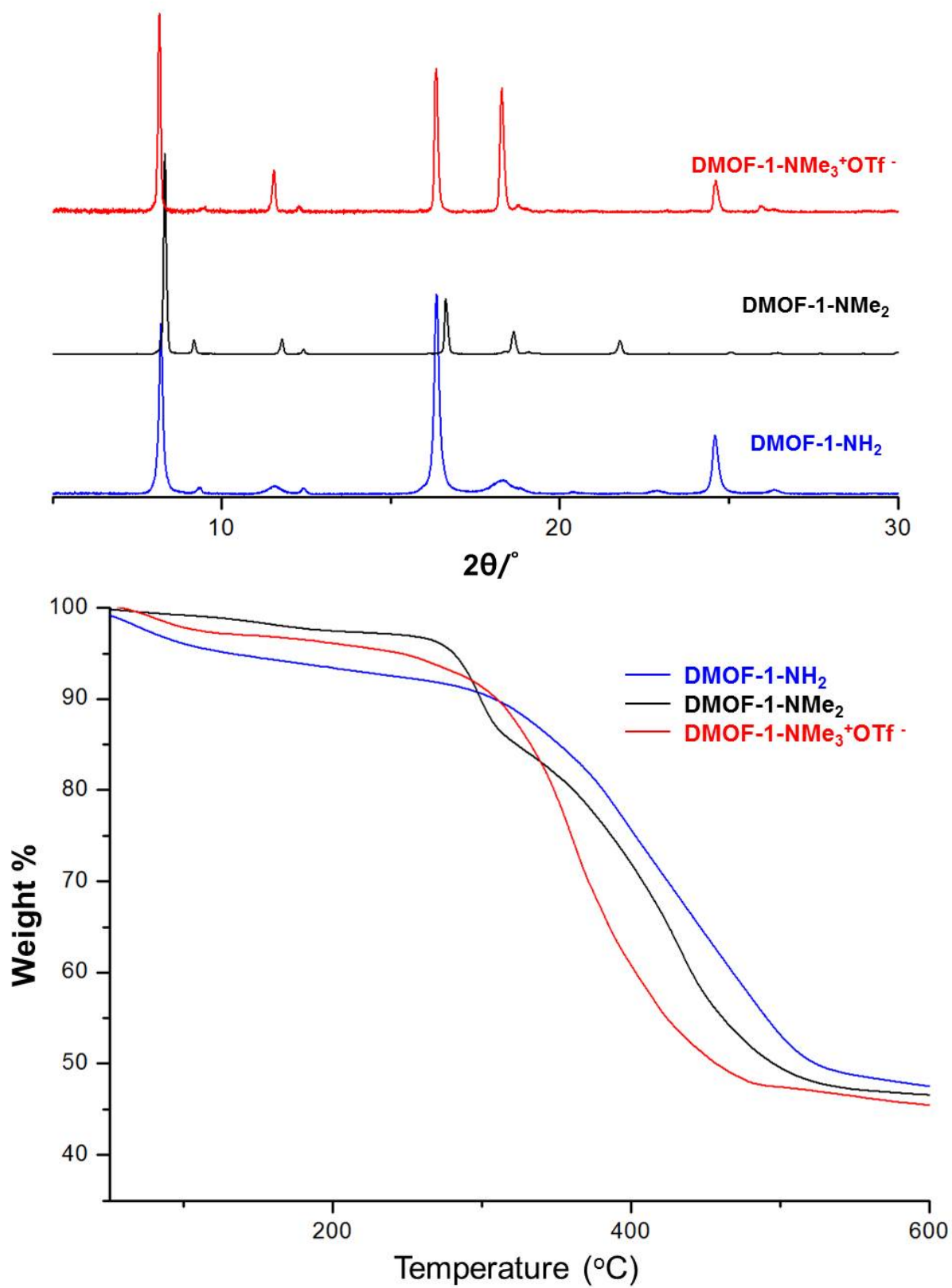


Fig. S5 PXRD (top) and TGA (bottom) of DMOF-NH₂, -NMe₂ and -NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.

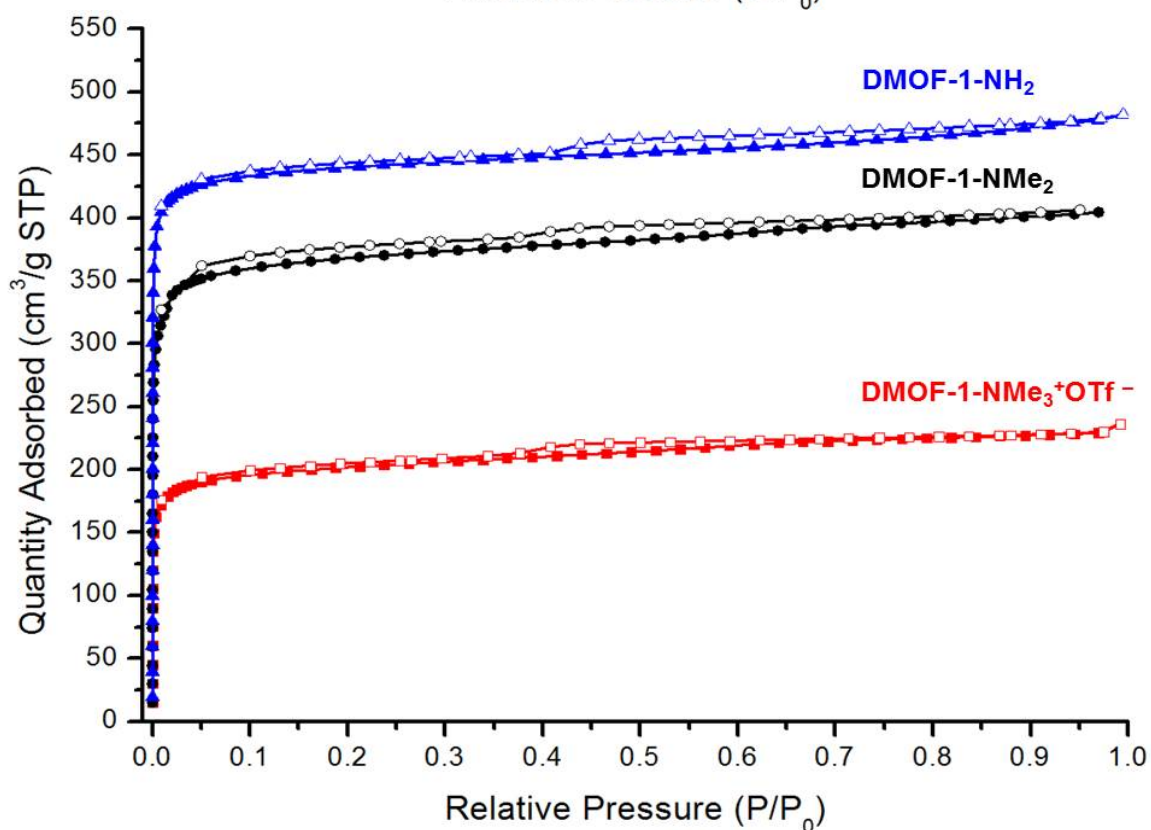
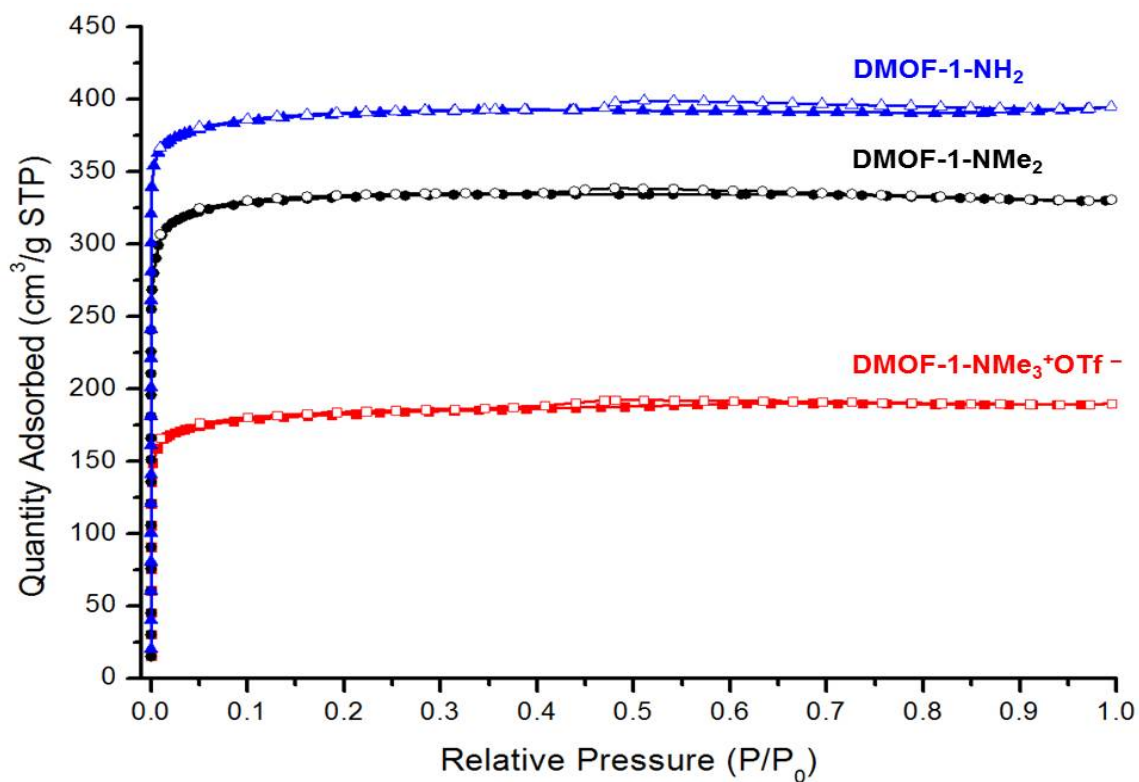


Fig. S6 N₂ (77K, top) and Ar (87 K, bottom) isotherms of DMOF-1-NH₂ (triangle, blue), -NMe₂ (circle, black) and -NMe₃⁺OTf⁻ (square, red). Adsorption and desorption traces are indicated by filled and open symbols, respectively.

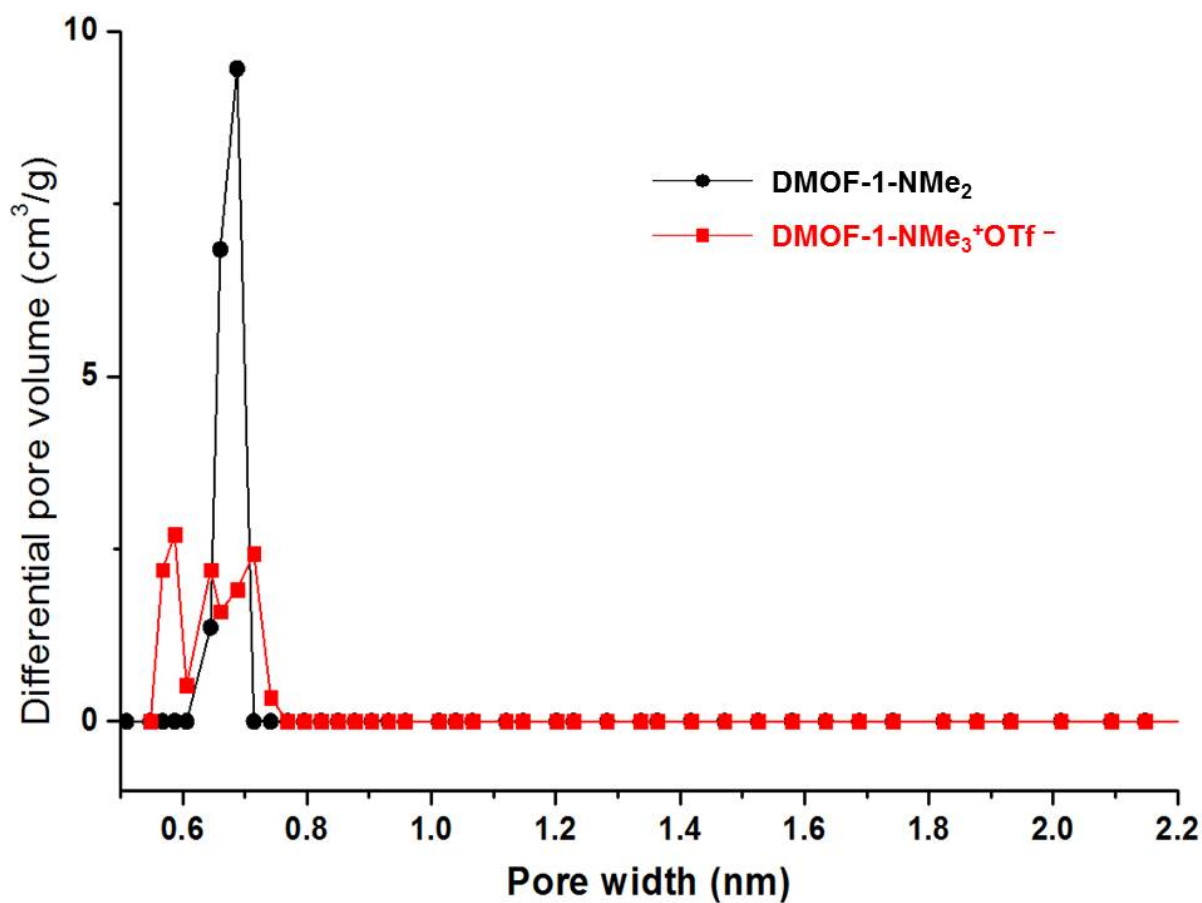
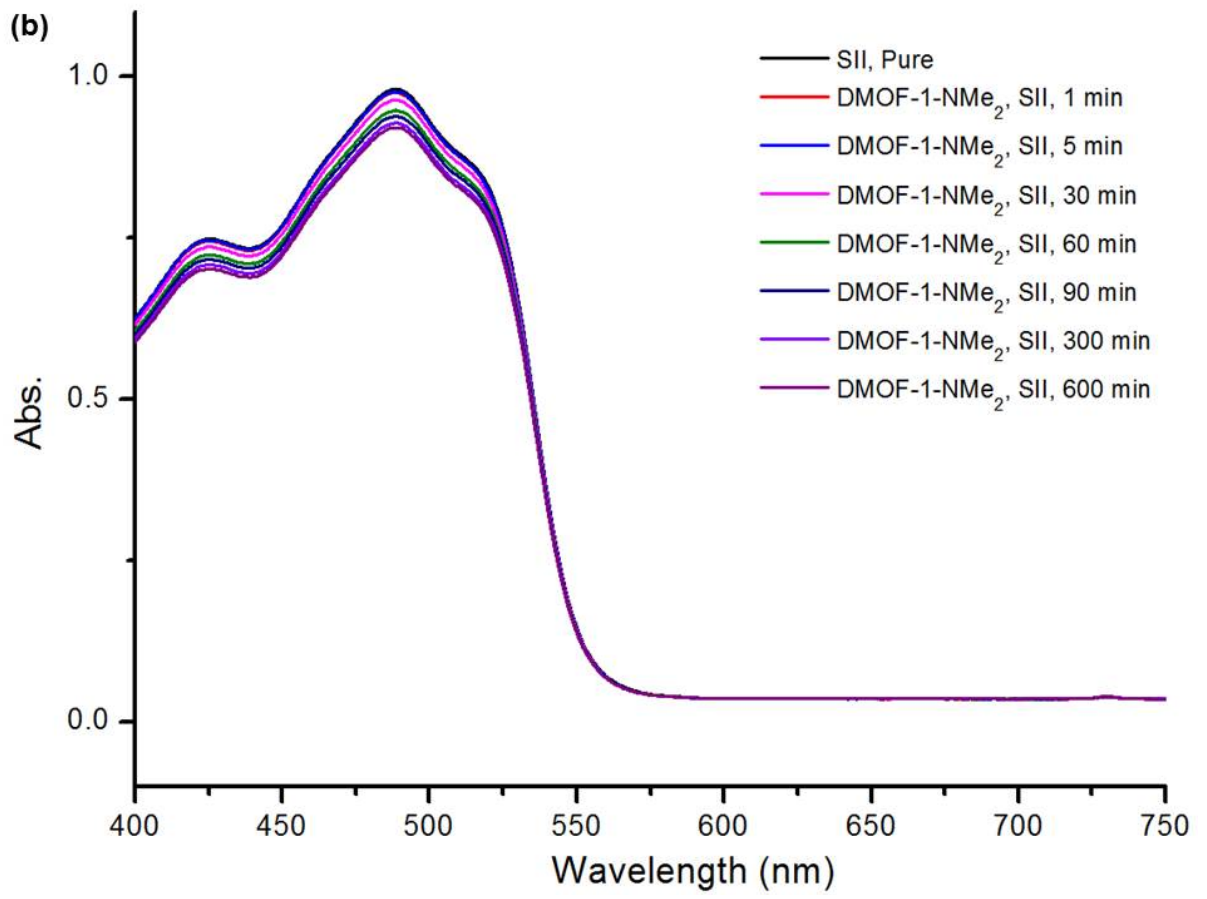
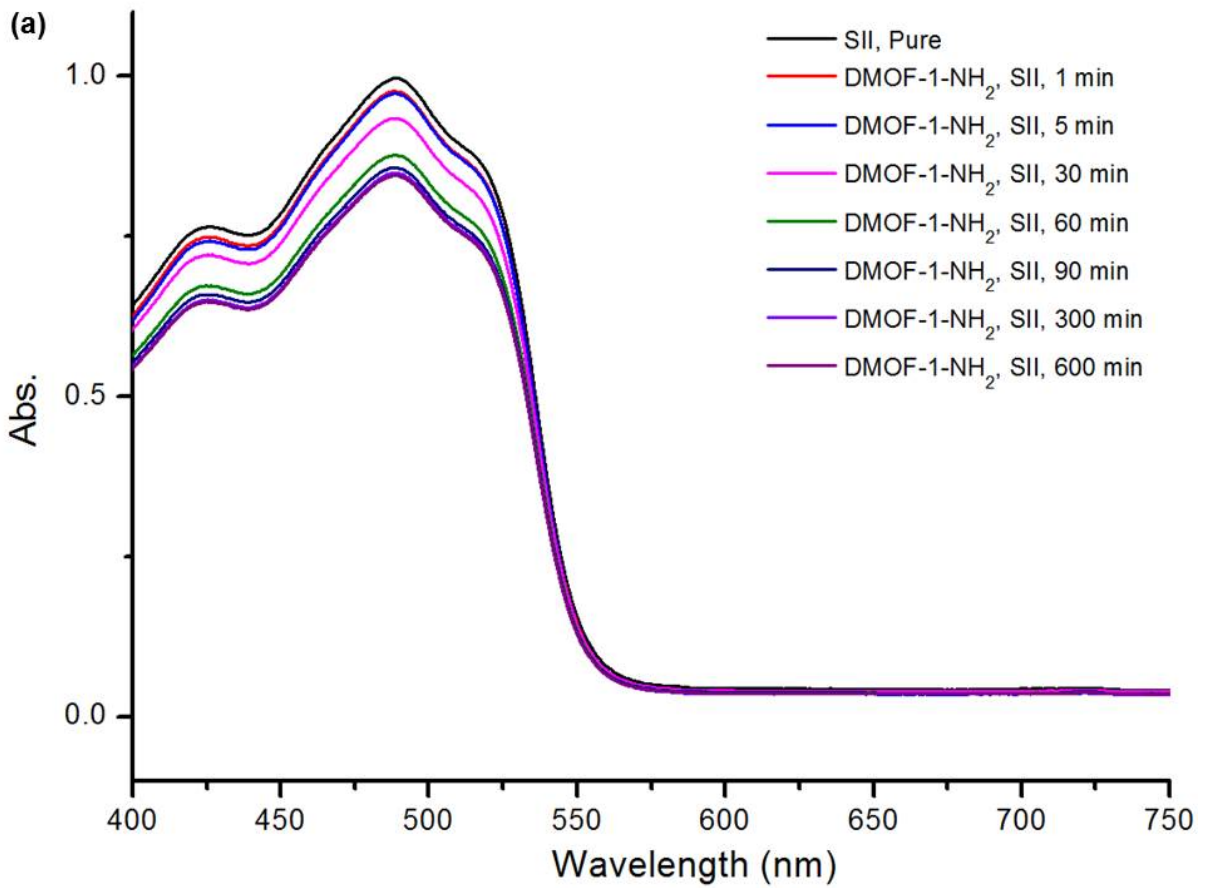


Fig. S7 Porosity distribution by NLDFT method analysis for DMOF-1-NMe₂ and DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.



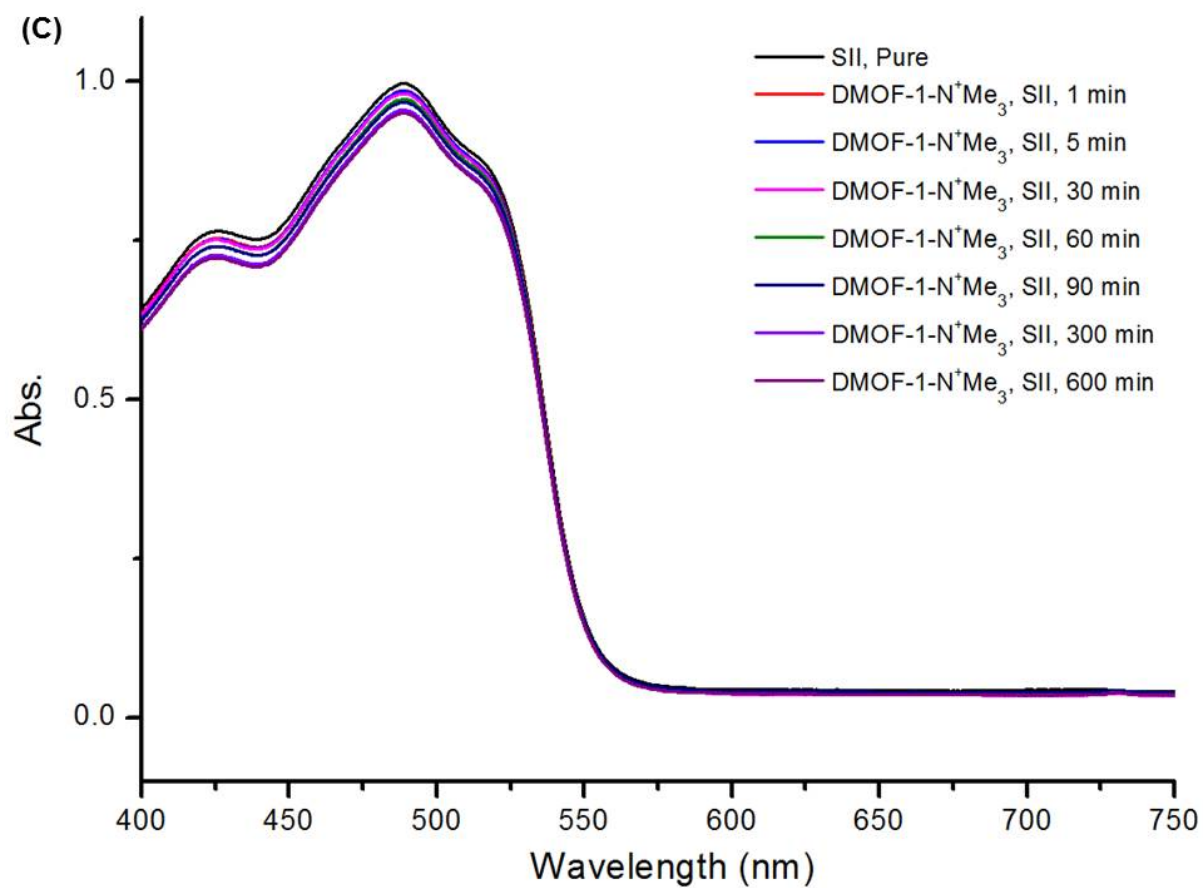


Fig. S8 UV-Vis spectra changes of ‘Sudan II’ in the presence of (a) DMOF-1-NH₂, (b) DMOF-1-NMe₂, and (c) DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf.

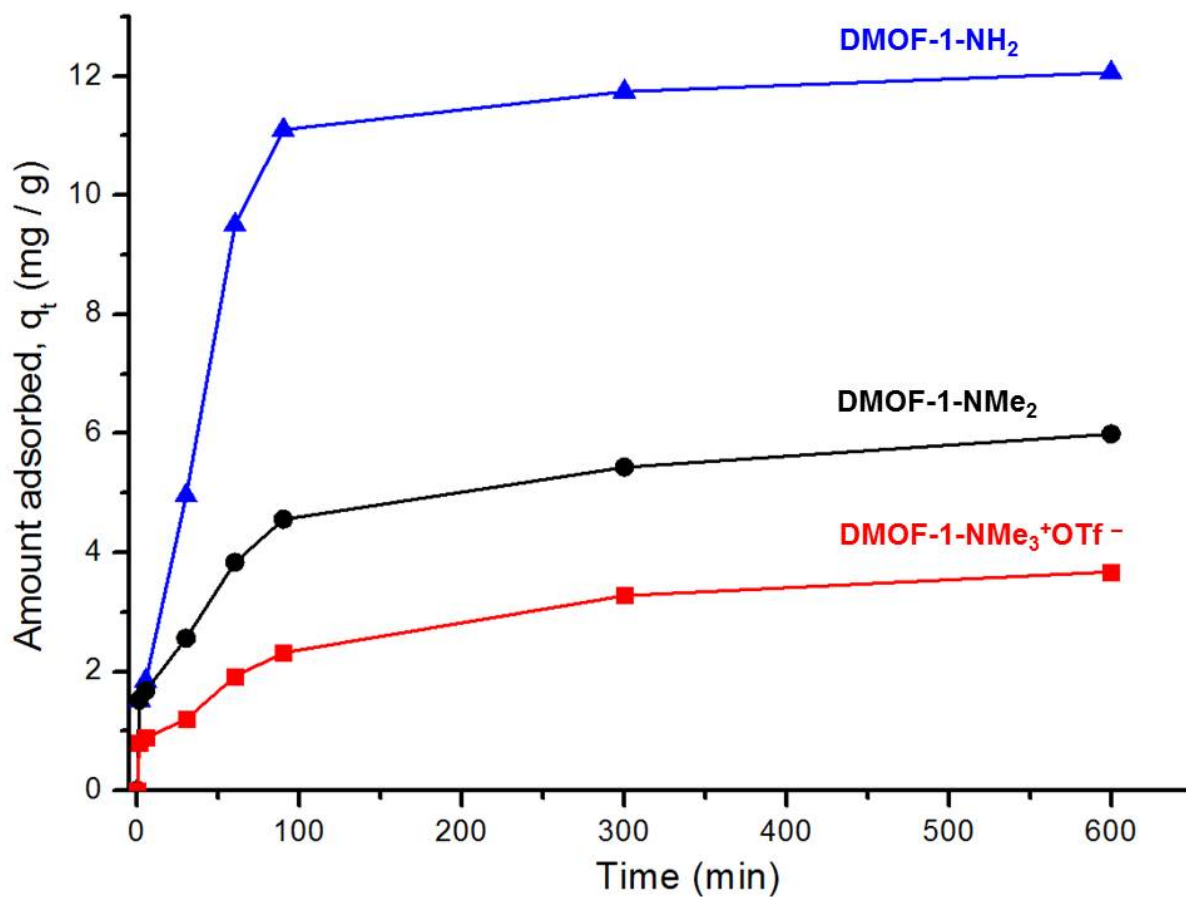
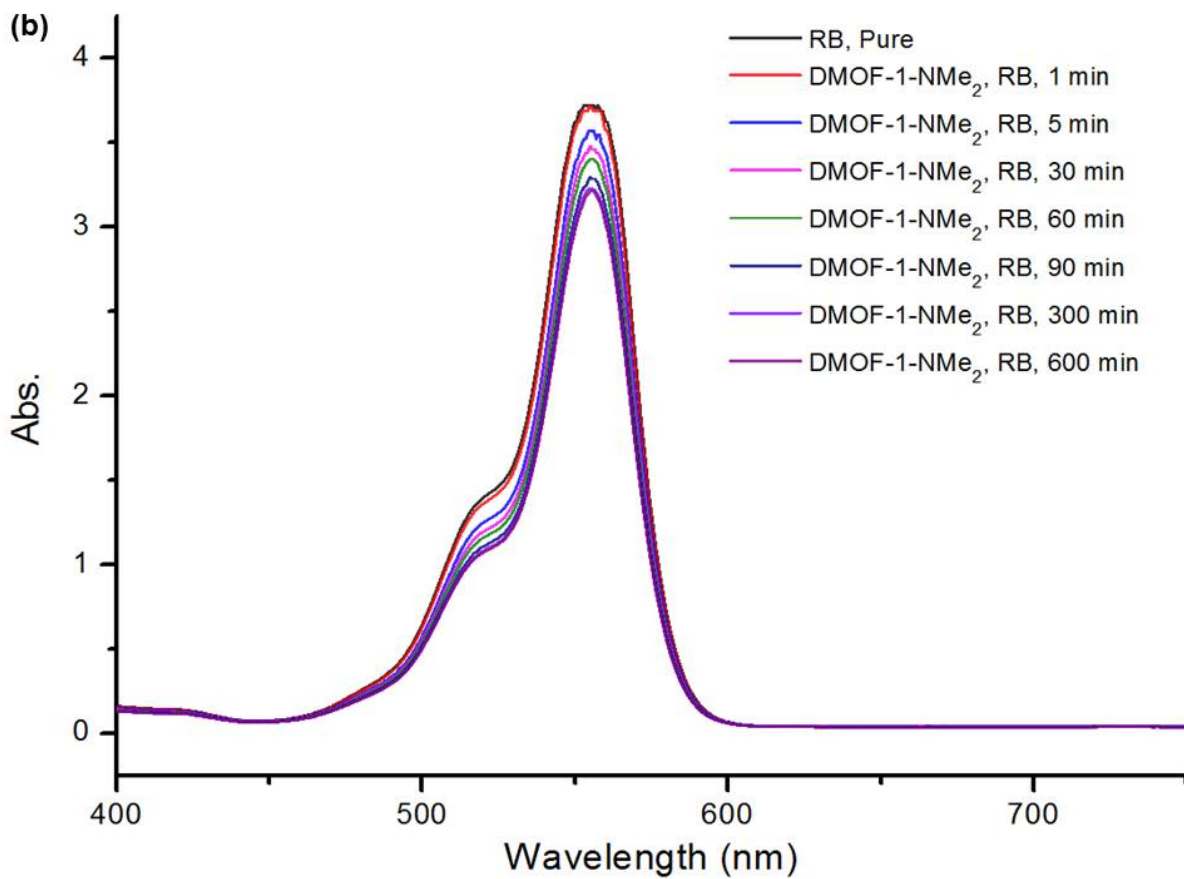
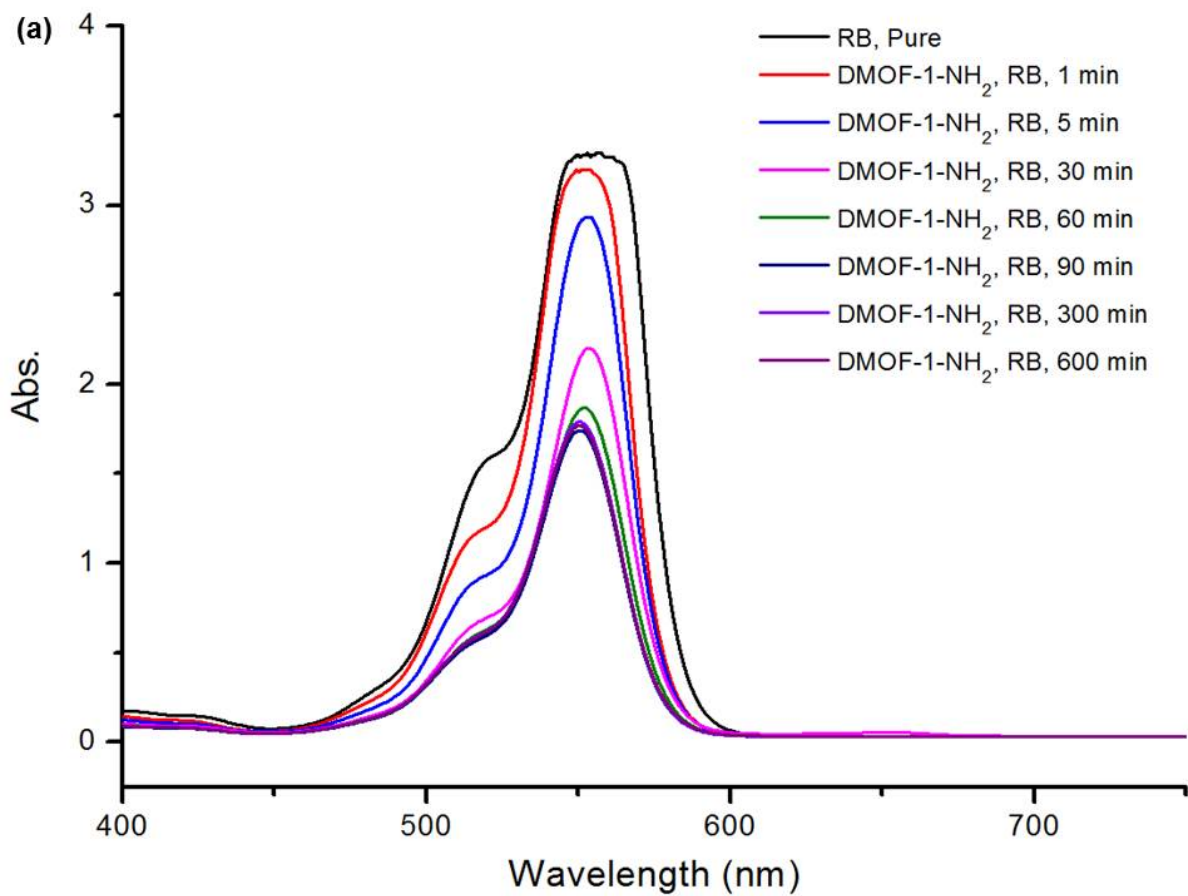


Fig. S9 Effect on the contact time and initial ‘Sudan II’ concentration on the adsorption of ‘Sudan II’ over DMOF-1-NH₂, DMOF-1-NMe₂, and DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.



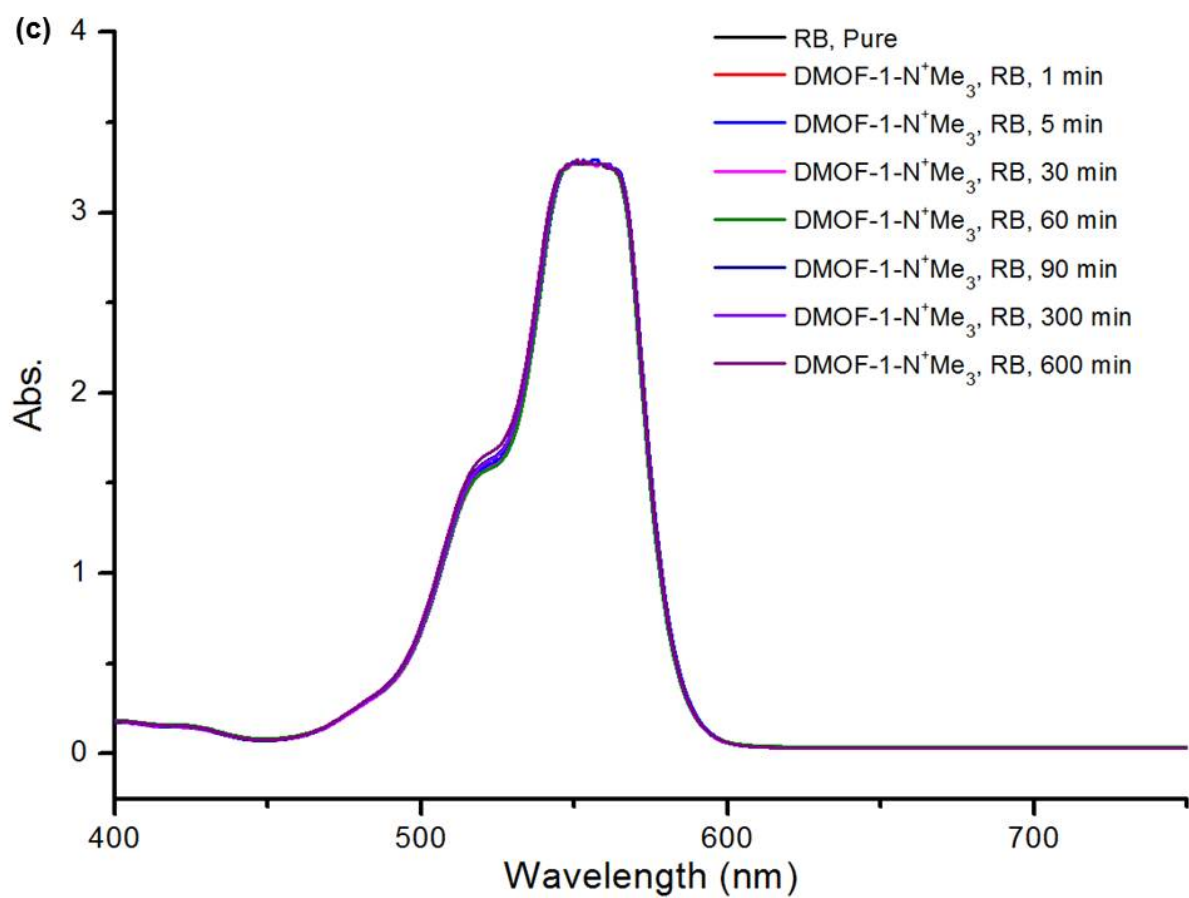


Fig. S10 UV-Vis spectra changes of 'Rhodamine B' in the presence of (a) DMOF-1-NH₂, (b) DMOF-1-NMe₂, and (c) DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.

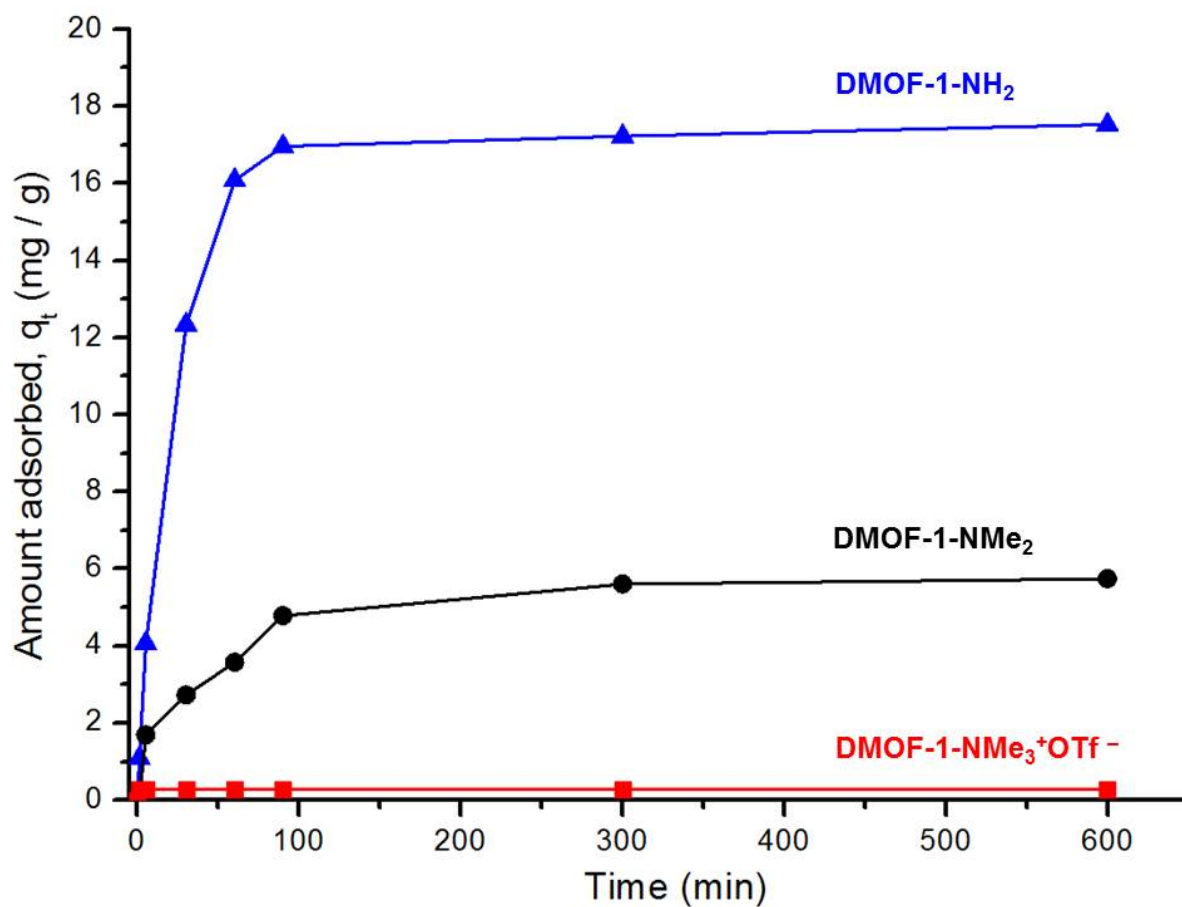
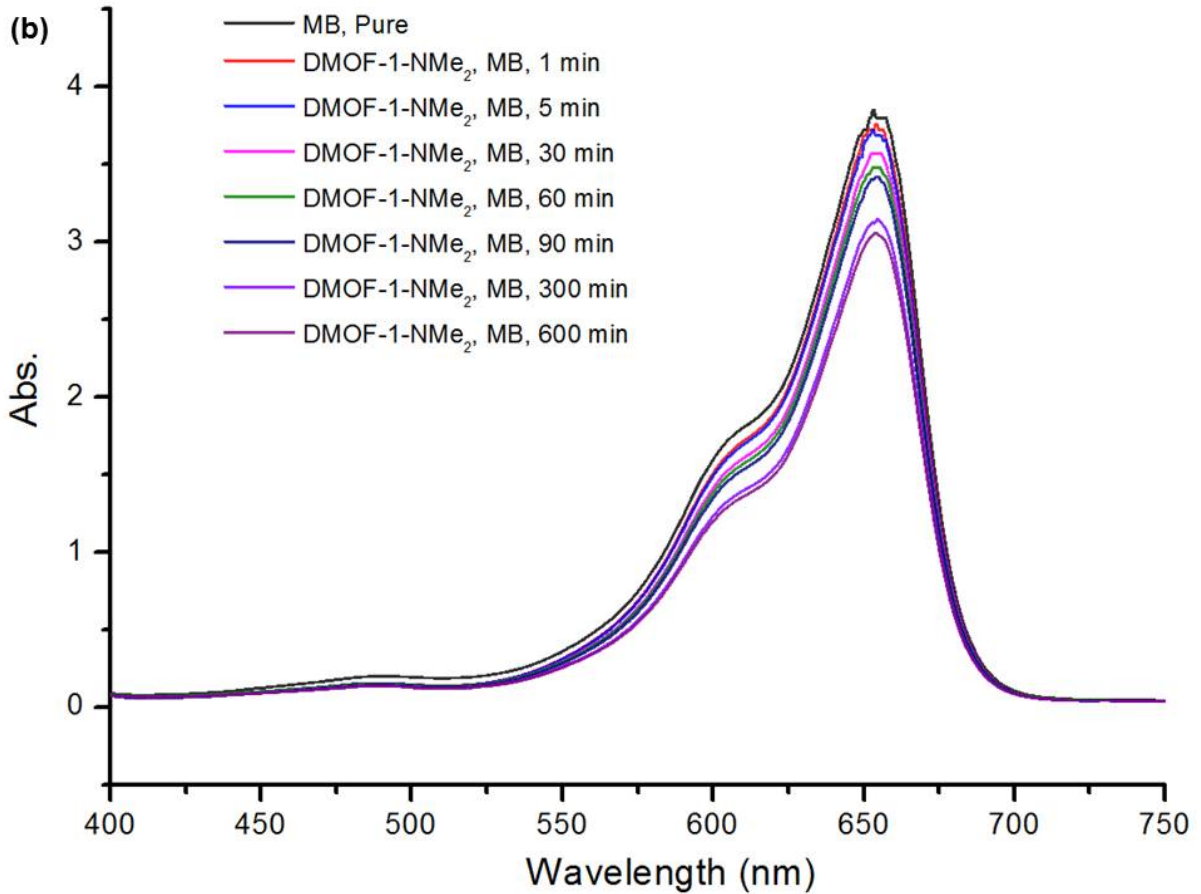
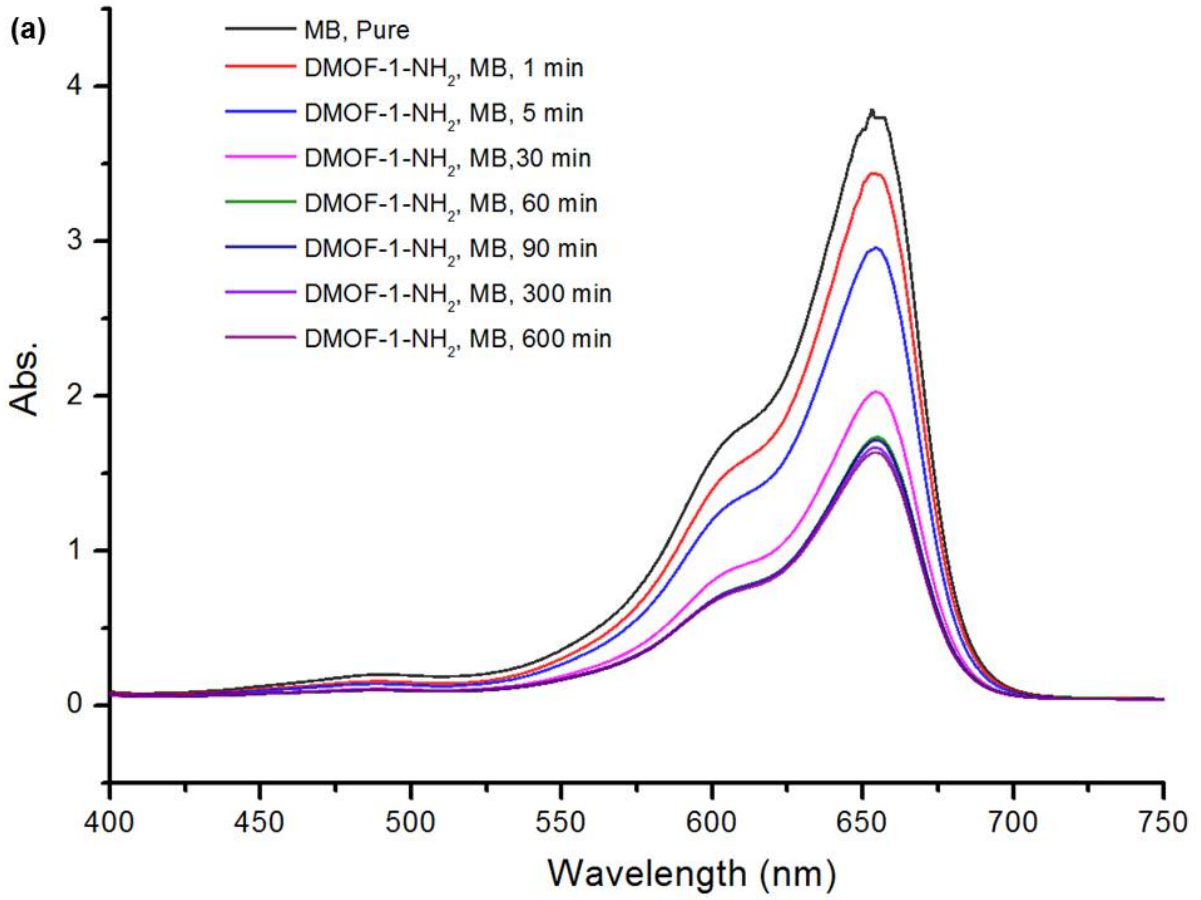


Fig. S11 Effect on the contact time and initial 'Rhodamine B' concentration on the adsorption of 'Rhodamine B' over DMOF-1-NH₂, DMOF-1-NMe₂, and DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.



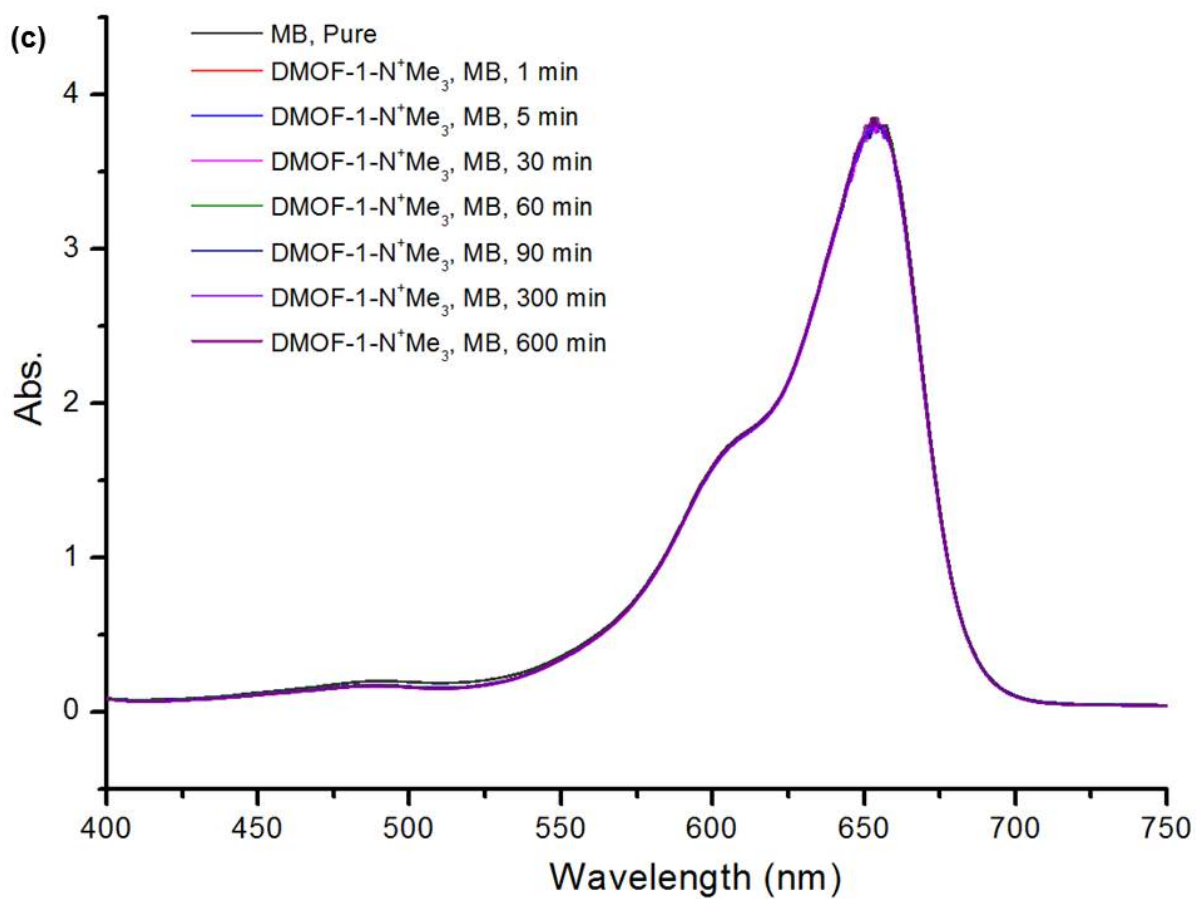


Fig. S12 UV-Vis spectra changes of 'Methylene Blue' in the presence of (a) DMOF-1-NH₂, (b) DMOF-1-NMe₂, and (c) DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf.

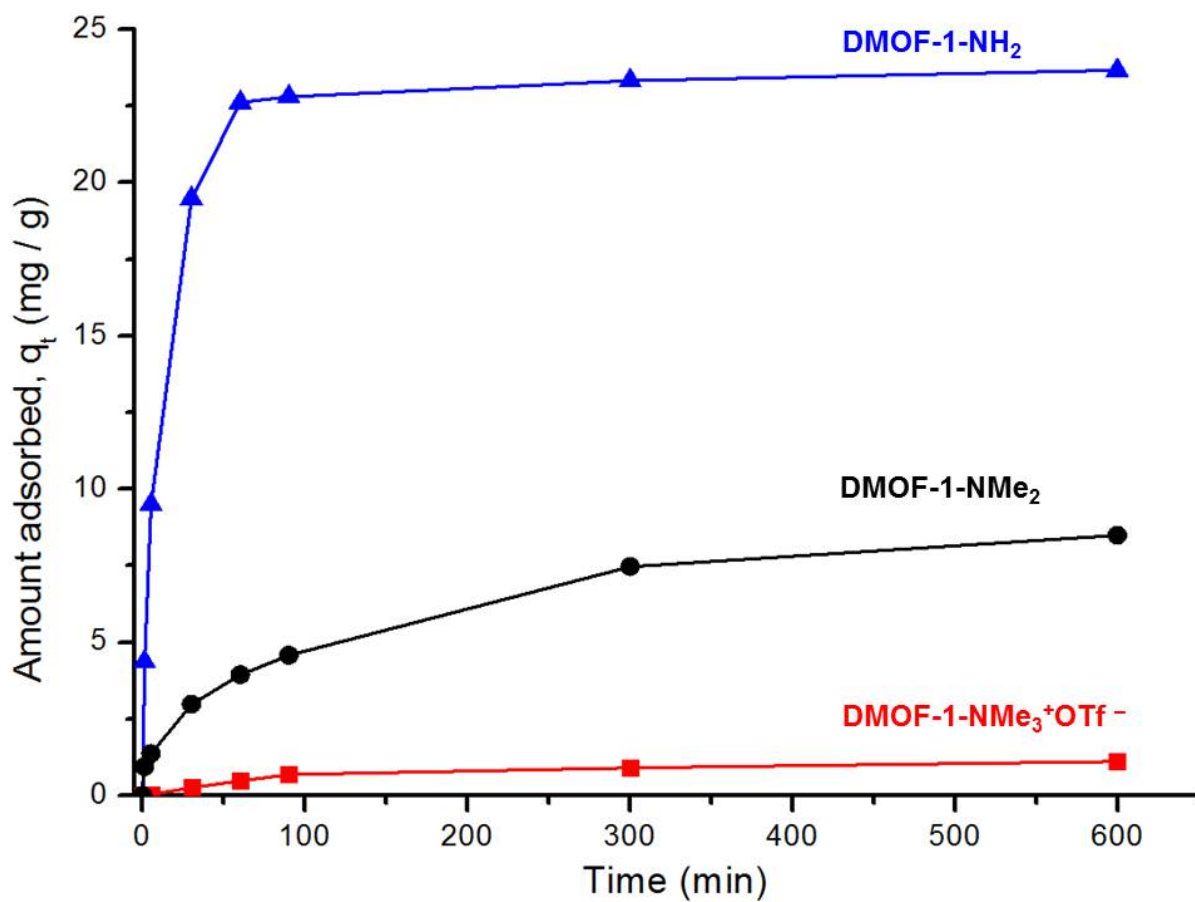
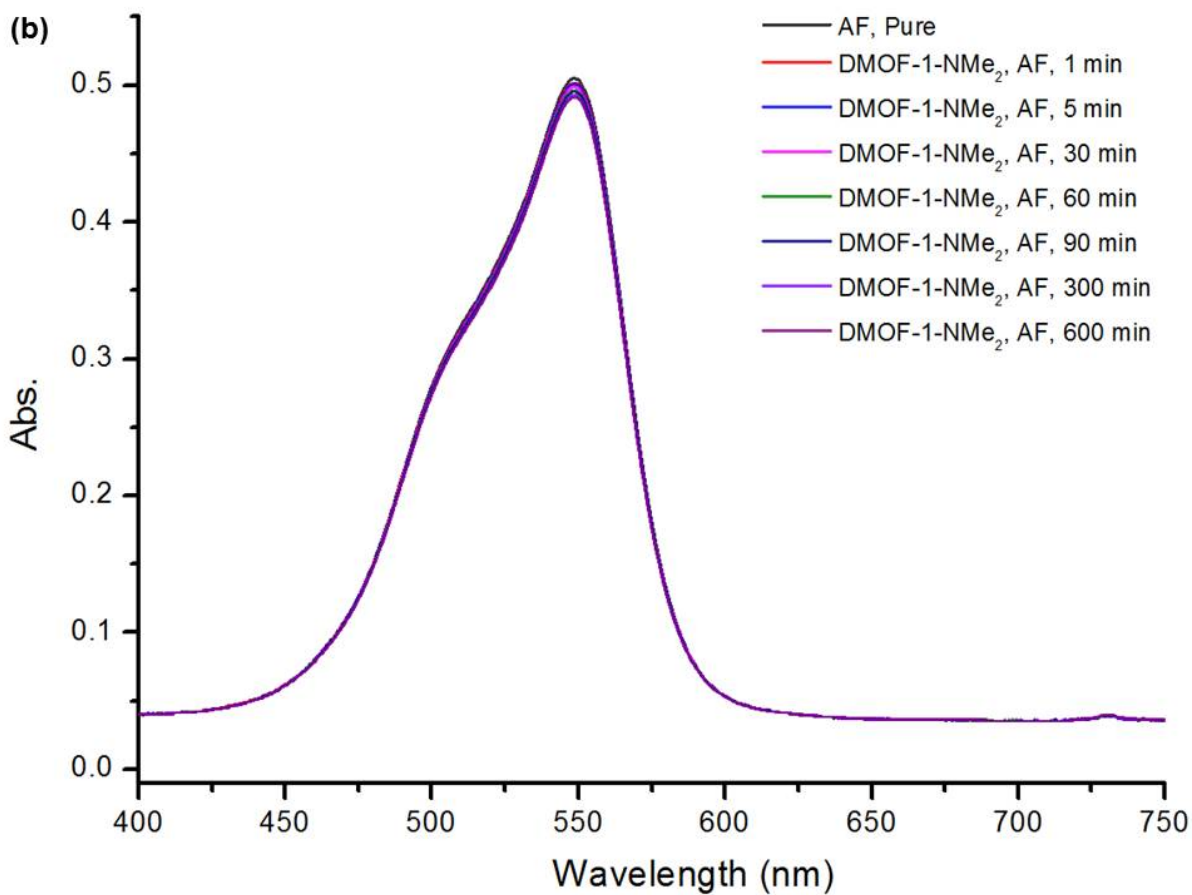
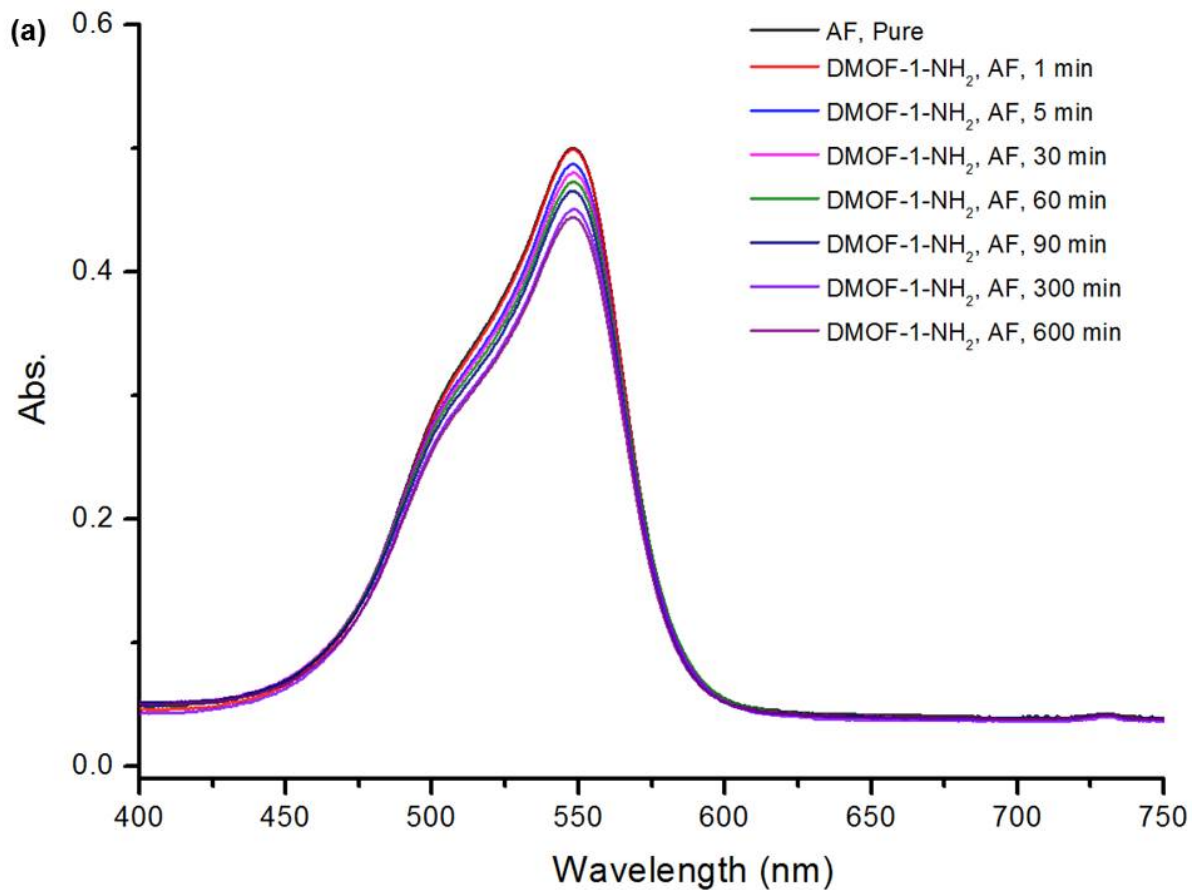


Fig. S13 Effect on the contact time and initial 'Methylene Blue' concentration on the adsorption of 'Methylene Blue' over DMOF-1-NH₂, DMOF-1-NMe₂, and DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.



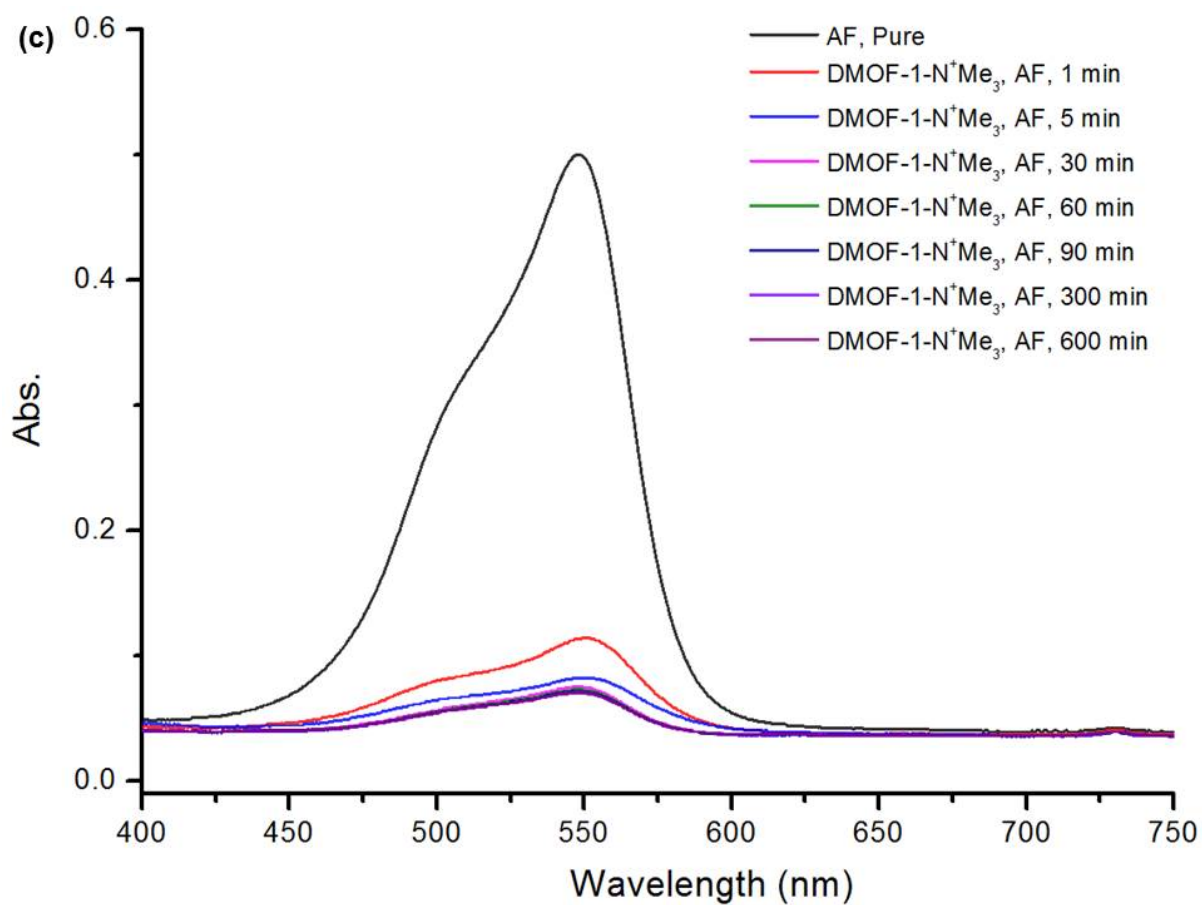


Fig. S14 UV-Vis spectra changes of 'Acid Fuchsin calcium salt' in the presence of (a) DMOF-1-NH₂, (b) DMOF-1-NMe₂, and (c) DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.

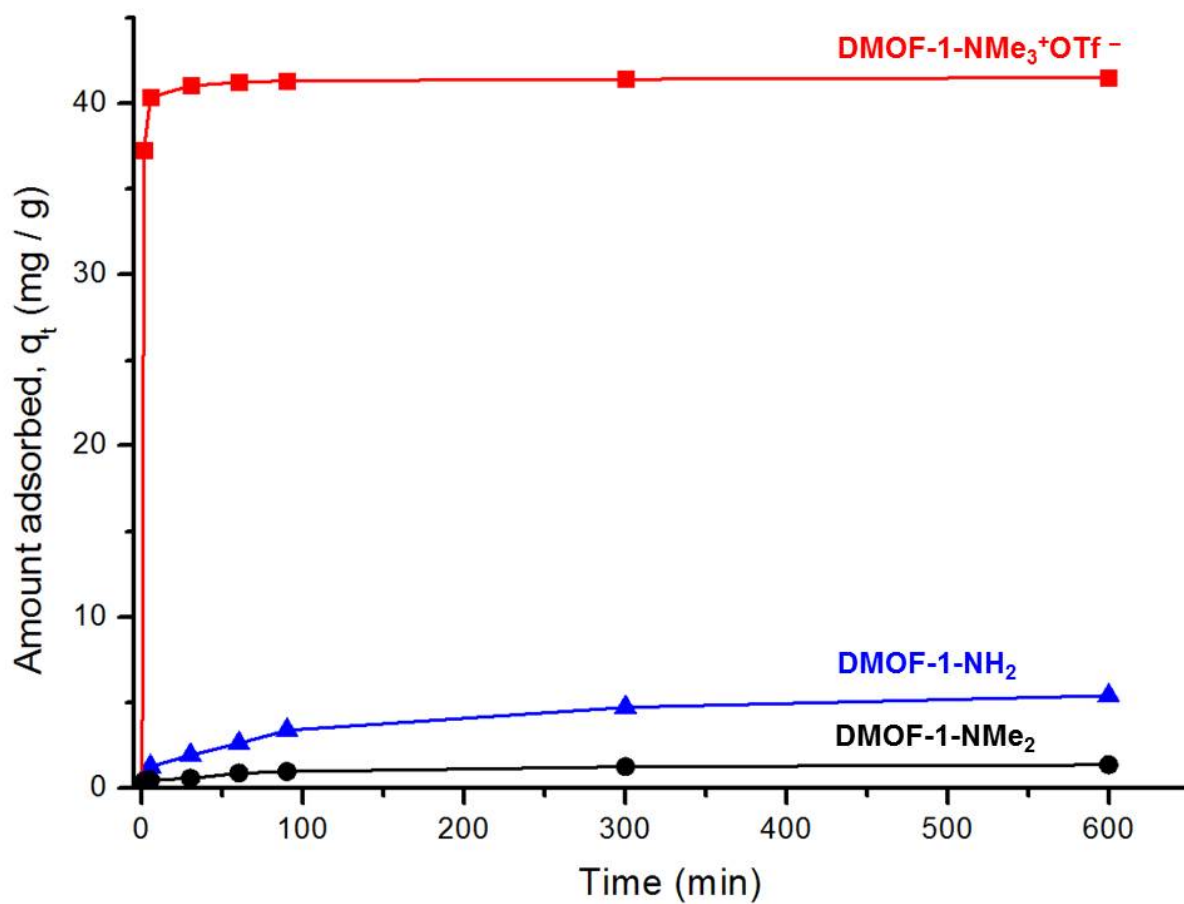
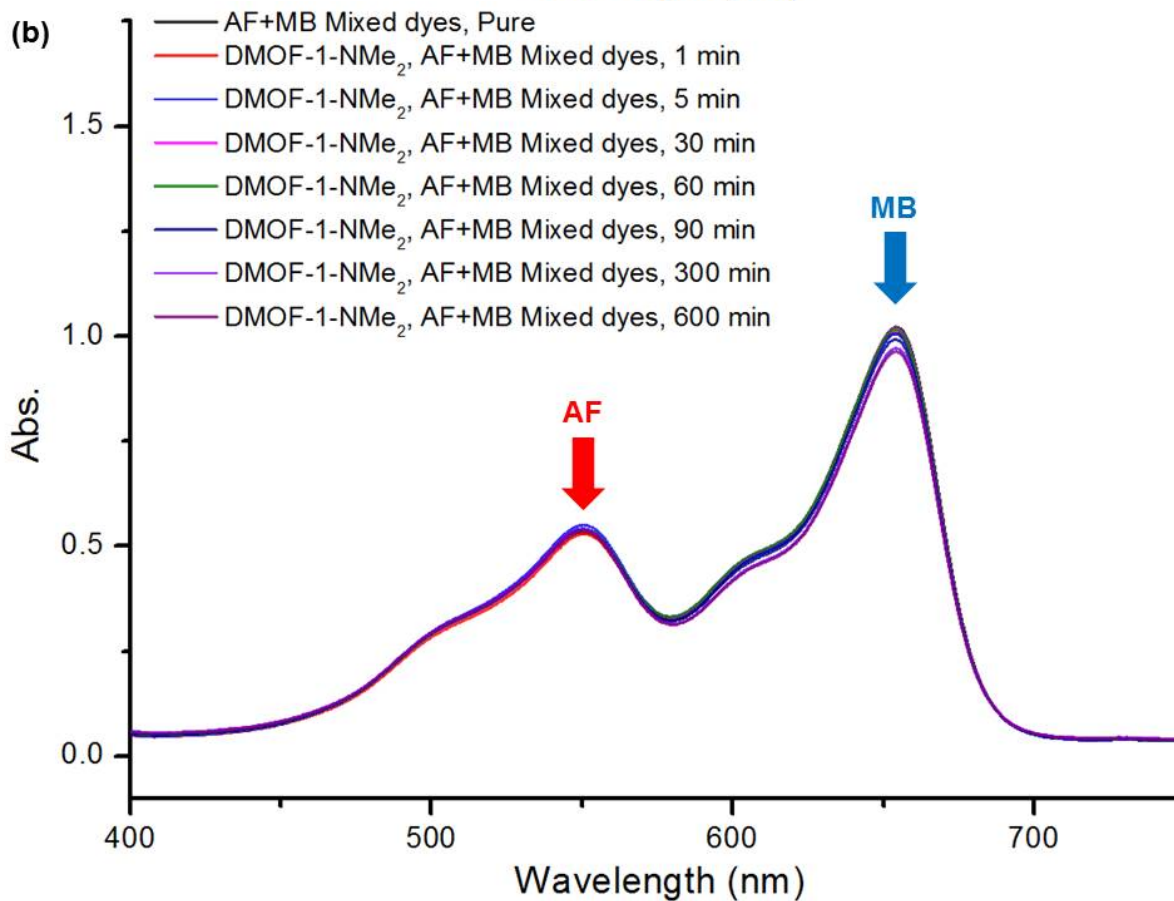
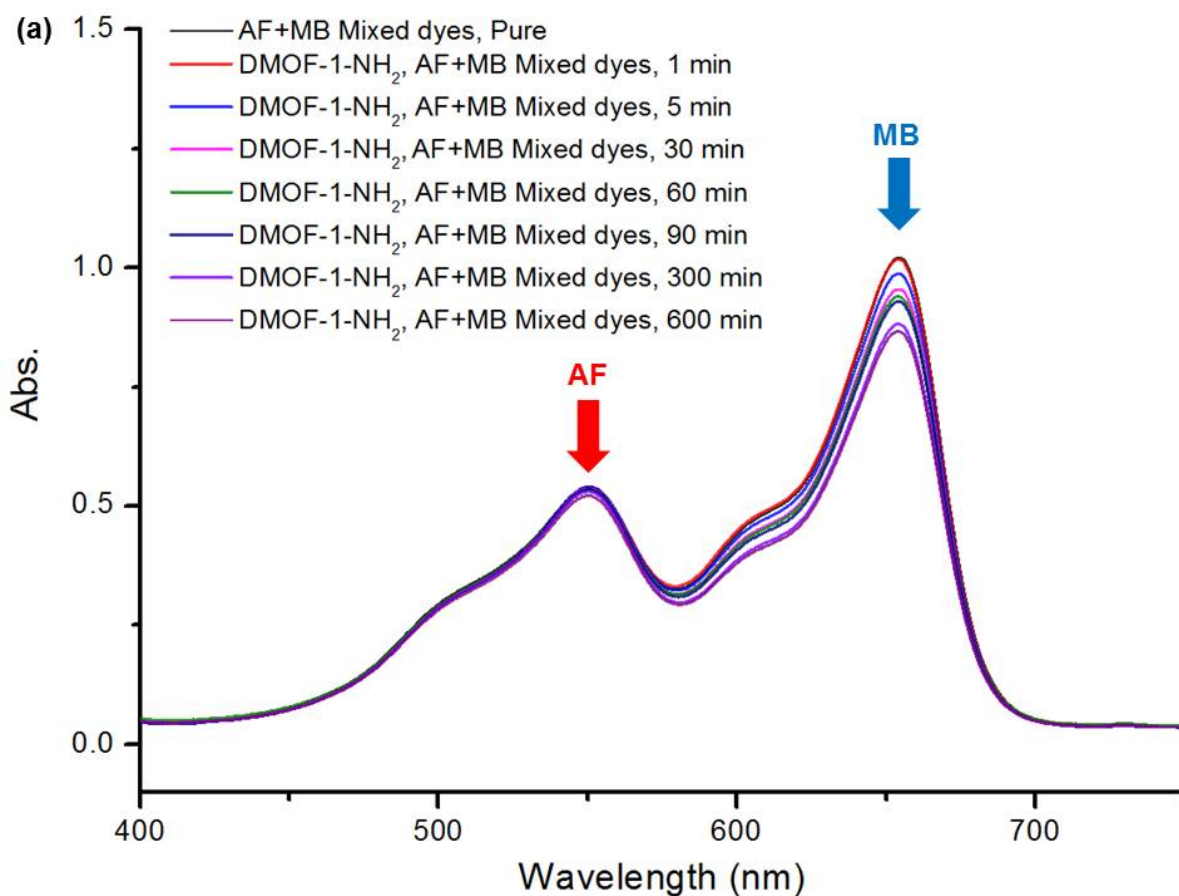


Fig. S15 Effect on the contact time and initial ‘Acid Fuchsin calcium salt’ concentration on the adsorption of ‘Acid Fuchsin calcium salt’ over DMOF-1-NH₂, DMOF-1-NMe₂, and DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf⁻.



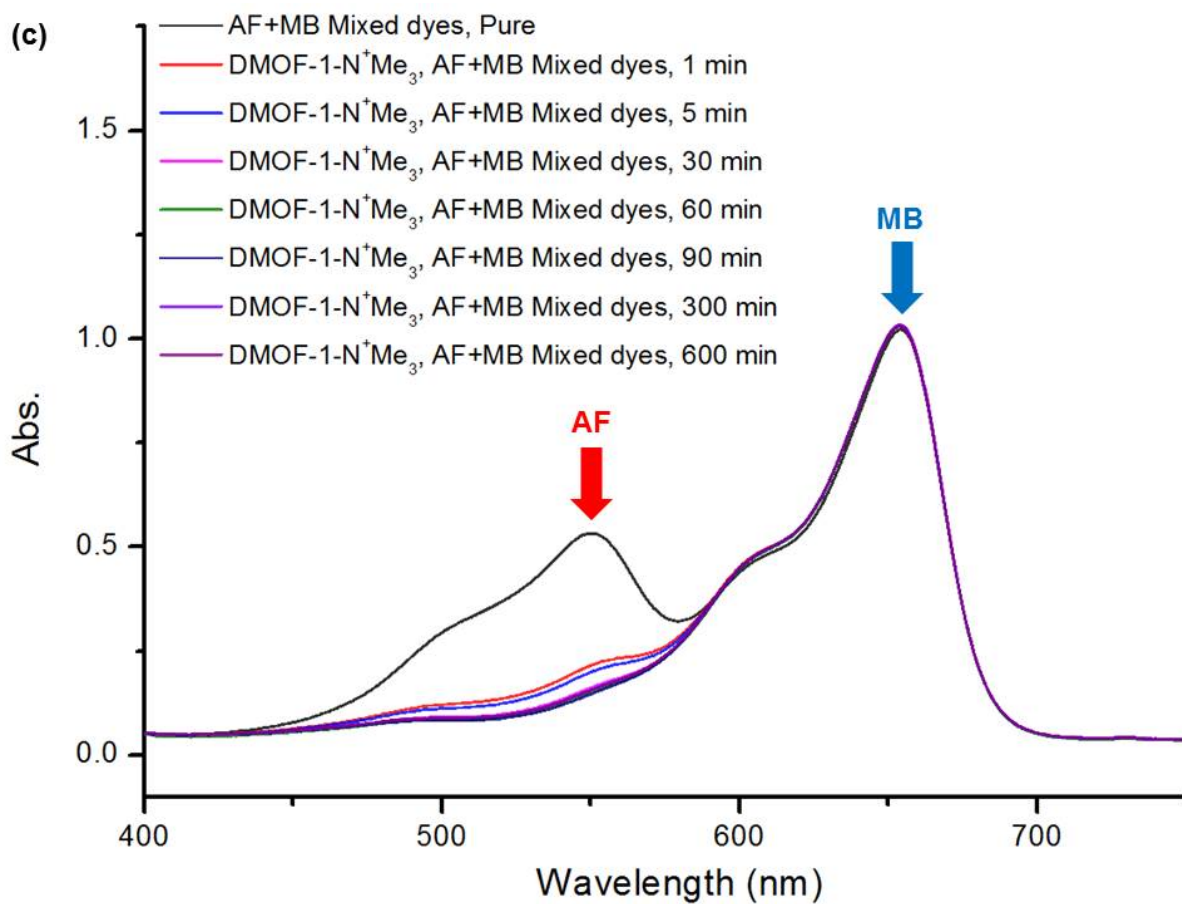


Fig. S16 Organic dye mixture (Methylene Blue and Acid Fuchsin calcium salt) separation experiment using (a) DMOF-1-NH₂, (b) DMOF-1-NMe₂, and (c) DMOF-1-NMe₃⁺OTf.

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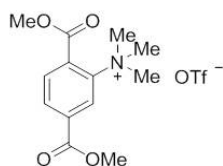
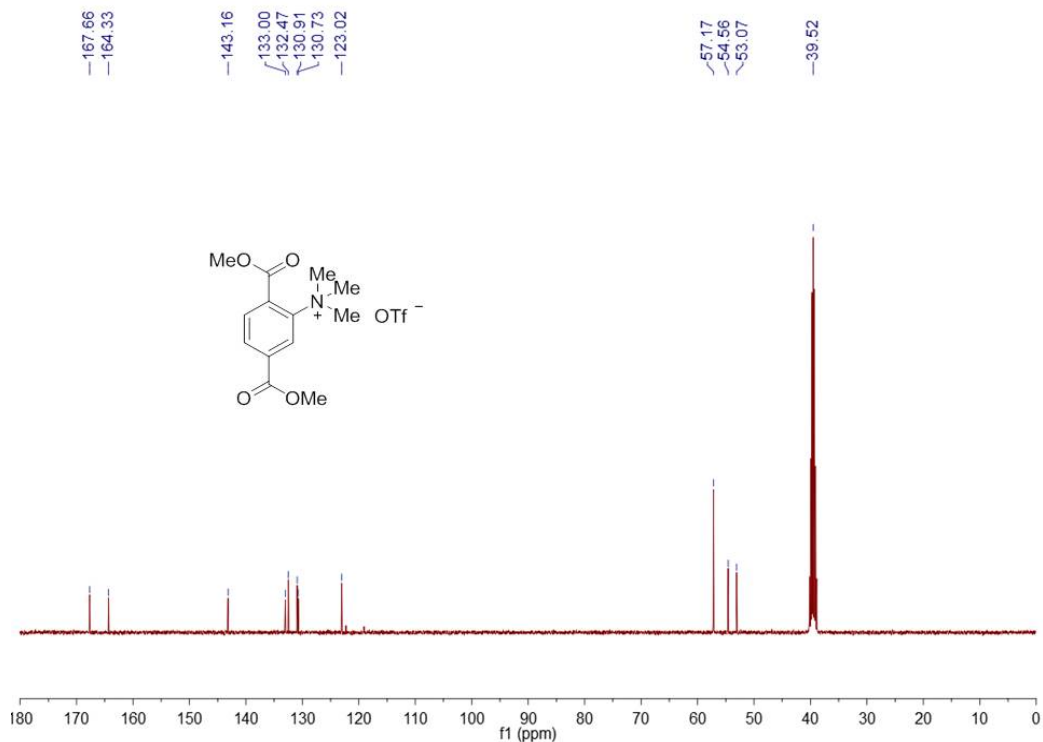
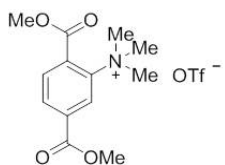
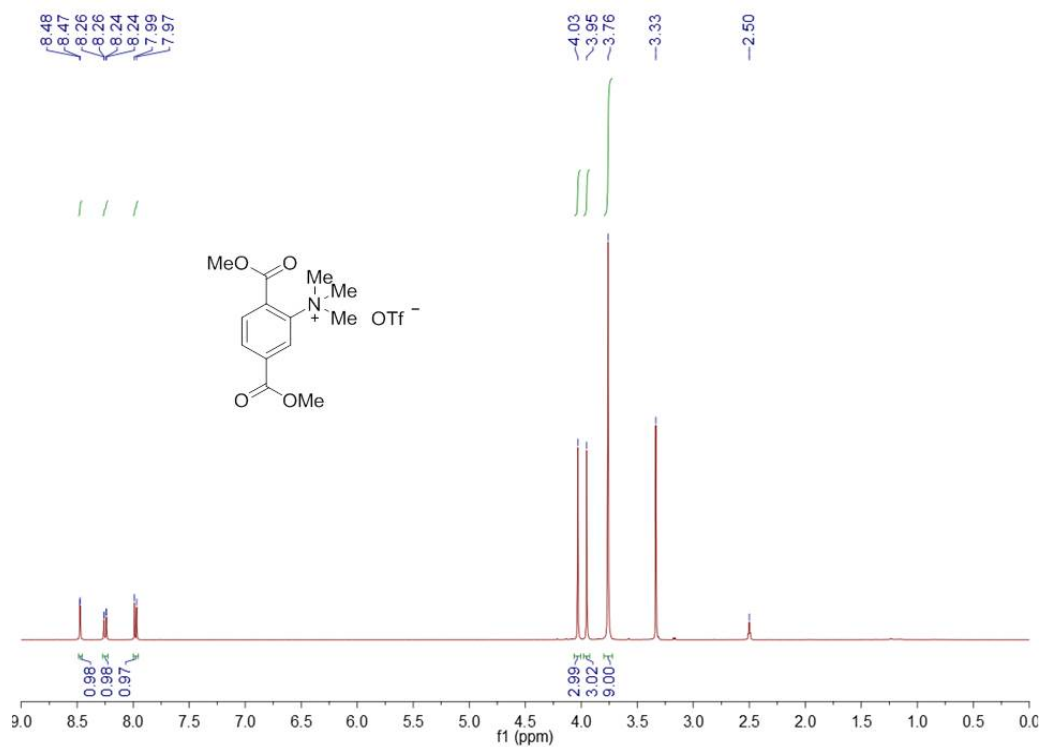
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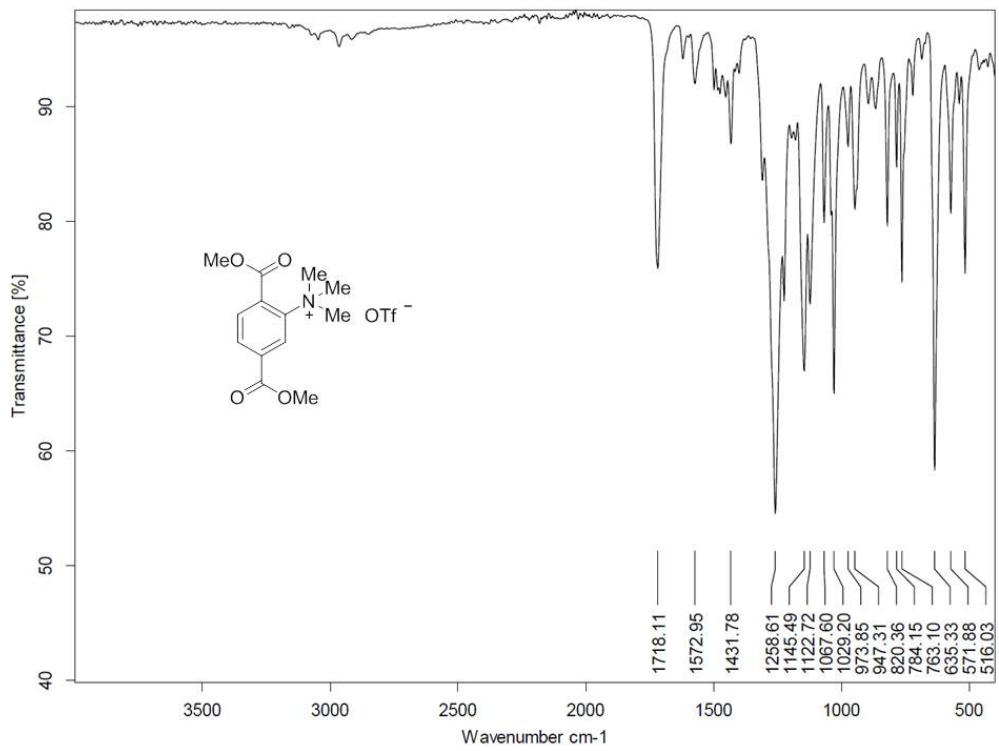
Appendix I.

^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR and IR spectra of new ligands

FAB-HR-MS spectra of MOF after digestion

2,5-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-*N,N,N*-trimethylbenzenaminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (**3**)





2,5-Dicarboxy-*N,N,N*-trimethylbenzenaminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (4)

