

Supporting Information

Polyoxovanadate-based Organic-Inorganic Hybrids: From {V₅O₉Cl} Clusters to Nanosized Octahedral Cages

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1. Materials and Methods

All the reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) measurement was recorded ranging from 5 to 50° at room temperature on a Siemens D5005 diffractometer with Cu- $K\alpha$ ($\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$). The C, H, and N elemental analyses were conducted on a Perkin-Elmer 2400CHN elemental analyzer. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of the samples was performed using a Perkin-Elmer TG-7 analyzer heated from room temperature to 800 °C under nitrogen at the heating rate of 10 °C·min⁻¹. IR spectrum was performed in the range 4000–400 cm⁻¹ using KBr pellets on an Alpha Centaur FT/IR spectrophotometer.

2. Gas sorption experiments

The N₂ sorption measurements were performed on automatic volumetric adsorption equipment (Belsorp mini II). Before gas adsorption measurements, the samples were immersed in methanol for 72 h, and the samples were activated by drying under a dynamic vacuum at room temperature overnight. Before the measurement, the samples were dried again by using the “outgas” function of the surface area analyzer for 12 h at 90 °C.

3. Synthesis

(i) Preparation of **VMOP-1**:

Reaction of 1, 4-benzenedicarboxylate (H₂BDC) (0.032 g, 0.19 mmol) with VCl₃ (0.030 g, 0.19 mmol) in 2 mL DMF (N,N'-dimethylformamide) and 0.5 mL CH₃CH₂OH at 150 °C for 2 days. After slow cooling to room temperature, block crystals were obtained (washed with CH₃CH₂OH) with a yield of ~22 % based on H₂BDC. Elemental analysis (%) cacl: C, 32.24; H, 4.16; N, 6.38. Found: C, 31.98; H, 3.95; N, 6.26. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3440 (br), 2969 (br), 2732 (br), 2472 (w), 1666 (s), 1562 (s), 1400 (vs), 990 (s), 887 (w), 827 (w), 744 (s), 640 (w), 574 (s).

(ii) Preparation of **VMOP-2**:

The synthetic procedure is similar to that of **VMOP-1** except that H₂BDC was replaced by 2-amino-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate (H₂BDC-NH₂). Reaction of H₂BDC-NH₂ (0.020 g, 0.11 mmol) with VCl₃ (0.030 g, 0.19 mmol) in 2 mL DMF and 0.5 mL CH₃CH₂OH at 150 °C for 2 days. After slow cooling to room temperature, block crystals of **VMOP-2** were obtained (washed with CH₃CH₂OH) with a yield of ~15 % based on H₂BDC-NH₂. Elemental analysis (%) cacl: C, 30.73; H, 4.04; N, 8.41. Found: C, 30.81; H, 3.95; N, 8.32. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3446 (w), 2998 (br), 2763 (br), 2472 (w), 1621 (w), 1542 (s), 1421 (s), 1382 (s), 1253 (s), 979 (s), 836 (w), 761 (m), 600 (m).

(iii) Preparation of **VMOP-3**:

The synthetic procedure is similar to that of **VMOP-1** except that H₂BDC was replaced by 2-bromo-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate (H₂BDC-Br). Reaction of H₂BDC-Br (0.030 g, 0.123 mmol) with VCl₃ (0.030g, 0.19 mmol) in 2 mL DMF and 0.5 mL CH₃CH₂OH at 150 °C for 2 days. After slow cooling to room temperature, block crystals of **VMOP-3** were obtained (washed with CH₃CH₂OH) with a yield of ~25 % based on H₂BDC-Br. Elemental analysis (%) cacl: C, 25.97; H, 2.86; N, 4.21. Found: C, 25.88; H, 2.95; N, 4.16. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3405 (br), 2962 (br), 2742 (br), 2480 (w), 1666 (m), 1565 (s), 1403 (vs), 1278 (w), 981 (s), 883 (w), 761 (m), 632 (w), 590 (s).

Table S1. Summary of some typical vanadium-based metal-organic materials (VMOMs) from 2002 to 2015.

V-MOMs	V source	organic linker	reaction condition	Ref
^aMIL-47	VCl ₃	1,4-benzenedicarboxylate	hydrothermal	1
NH₂-MIL-47	VCl ₃	2-amino-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate	hydrothermal	2
MIL-59	VCl ₃	1,3-benzenedicarboxylate	hydrothermal	3
MIL-60, -61	VCl ₃	1,2,4,5-benzenetetracarboxylic acid	hydrothermal	4
[V(O)(bdc)](H₂bdc)_{0.71}	VO ₂	1,4-benzenedicarboxylate	hydrothermal	5
MOF-48	VO ₂	2,5-dimethyl-benzen-dicarboxylic acid	hydrothermal	6
MIL-68	VOSO ₄ ·5H ₂ O	1,4-benzenedicarboxylate	solvothermal	7
{(H₂PIP)_{0.5}[VO(CEP)] 3H₂O}	VOSO ₄	2-carboxyethylphosphonic acid	hydrothermal	8
V-molecular capsules	NaVO ₃	organoarsenic or organophosphonic acids	solvothermal	9
^bCOMOC-2	VOSO ₄ ·H ₂ O	4,4'-biphenyldicarboxylic acid	solvothermal	10
V-MIL-101	VCl ₃	1,4-benzenedicarboxylate 2-amino-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate	solvothermal	11
V-MOF-1~7	VCl ₃	1,4-benzenedicarboxylate 2,6-naphthalenedicarboxylic acid 1,4-naphthalenedicarboxylic acid 2,5-dimethylterephthalic acid 2,5 dihydroxyterephthalic acid tetrabromoterephthalic acid tetrachloroterephthalic acid	microwave-assisted	12
MIL-88B(V)	VCl ₃	1,4-benzenedicarboxylate	solvothermal	13
Hyball-3,-4 -5	VCl ₃	1,3,5-benzentricarboxylate	solvothermal	14
Hydoughnut-1	VCl ₃	1,3-benzenedicarboxylate	solvothermal	15

^a MIL = Materials of Institut Lavoisier.

^b COMOC = Center for Ordered Materials, Organometallics and Catalysis, Ghent University.

4. Crystallography details

Table S2. Crystallographic data for VMOP-1

Empirical formula	C ₁₇₁ H ₂₆₃ Cl ₆ N ₂₉ O ₁₁₉ V ₃₀
Formula weight	6369.99
Crystal system	Cubic
Space group	F m -3 m
Temperature	296(2) K
Wavelength	0.71069 Å
Unit-cell dimensions	$a = b = c = 33.453(5)$ Å $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$
Volume	37437(10) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	0.819 g/cm ³
Absorption coefficient	0.796 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	12944
Crystal size	0.24 x 0.22 x 0.21 mm ³
Limiting indices	-39 ≤ h ≤ 20, -39 ≤ k ≤ 39, -39 ≤ l ≤ 39
Theta range for data collection	1.05-24.98°
Reflections collected	54126
Independent reflections	1686 [R(int) = 0.0755]
Completeness to theta = 24.98°	99.8 %
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	1686 / 0 / 58
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.126
Final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	R ₁ = 0.0527, wR ₂ = 0.1601
R indices (all data)	R ₁ = 0.0718, wR ₂ = 0.1752
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.470 and -0.290 eÅ ⁻³

Table S3. Crystallographic data for VMOP-2

Empirical formula	C ₁₆₂ H ₂₅₄ Cl ₆ N ₃₈ O ₁₁₆ V ₃₀
Formula weight	6330.92
Crystal system	Cubic
Space group	F m -3 m
Temperature	298(2) K
Wavelength	0.71069 Å
Unit-cell dimensions	$a = b = c = 33.394(5)$ Å $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$
Volume	37240(10) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.129 g/cm ³

Absorption coefficient	0.823 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	12848
Crystal size	0.24 x 0.22 x 0.19 mm ³
Limiting indices	-39<=h<=28, -39<=k<=39, -39<=l<=38
Theta range for data collection	1.06-24.99°
Reflections collected	54252
Independent reflections	1675 [R(int) = 0.1386]
Completeness to theta = 24.99°	99.7 %
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	1675 / 18 / 76
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.133
Final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0762, wR2 = 0.2080
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1144, wR2 = 0.2372
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.405 and -0.578 eÅ ⁻³

Table S4. Crystallographic data for VMOP-3

Empirical formula	C ₁₄₄ H ₁₈₈ Br ₁₂ Cl ₆ N ₂₀ O ₁₁₀ V ₃₀
Formula weight	6658.95
Crystal system	Cubic
Space group	F m -3 m
Temperature	293(2) K
Wavelength	0.71069 Å
Unit-cell dimensions	$a = b = c = 33.331(5)$ Å $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$
Volume	37029(10) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.194 g/cm ³
Absorption coefficient	2.115 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	13136
Crystal size	0.27 x 0.25 x 0.23 mm ³
Limiting indices	-39<=h<=39, -38<=k<=39, -32<=l<=39
Theta range for data collection	1.06-25.00°
Reflections collected	53582
Independent reflections	1672 [R(int) = 0.0857]
Completeness to theta = 25.00°	99.9 %
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	1672 / 69 / 103
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.261
Final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0887, wR2 = 0.2902
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1127, wR2 = 0.3132
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.707 and -0.396 eÅ ⁻³

Table S5. BVS results for the vanadium ions in VMOP-1.

		Bond distance (Å)	BVS calc. for V(III)	BVS calc. for V(IV)	BVS calc. for V(V)
V1	O(4)	1.613	1.421	1.588	1.671
	O(3)	1.918	0.623	0.696	0.733
	O(3)#1	1.918	0.623	0.696	0.733
	O(3)#2	1.918	0.623	0.696	0.733
	O(3)#3	1.918	0.623	0.696	0.733
	Cl(1)	3.224	0.054	0.054	0.054
Charge			3.967	4.426	4.657
V2	O(2)	1.589	1.516	1.694	1.783
	O(1)	2.012	0.483	0.540	0.568
	O(1)#1	2.012	0.483	0.540	0.568
	O(3)	1.956	0.562	0.628	0.661
	O(3)#1	1.956	0.562	0.628	0.661
	Cl(1)	2.946	0.115	0.115	0.115
Charge			3.721	4.145	4.356

Table S6. BVS results for the vanadium ions in VMOP-2.

		Bond distance (Å)	BVS calc. for V(III)	BVS calc. for V(IV)	BVS calc. for V(V)
V1	O(2)	1.599	1.476	1.649	1.736
	O(1)	1.927	0.608	0.679	0.715
	O(1)#1	1.927	0.608	0.679	0.715
	O(1)#2	1.927	0.608	0.679	0.715
	O(1)#3	1.927	0.608	0.679	0.715
	Cl(1)	3.230	0.053	0.053	0.053
Charge			3.961	4.418	4.649
V2	O(1)	1.950	0.572	0.638	0.672
	O(1)#1	1.950	0.572	0.638	0.672
	O(4)	2.009	0.487	0.544	0.573
	O(4)#1	2.009	0.487	0.544	0.573
	O(3)	1.591	1.508	1.685	1.774
	Cl(1)	2.932	0.119	0.119	0.119
Charge			3.745	4.168	4.353

Table S7. BVS results for the vanadium ions in VMOP-3.

		Bond distance (\AA)	BVS calc. for V(III)	BVS calc. for V(IV)	BVS calc. for V(V)
V1	O(5)	1.589	1.516	1.694	1.783
	O(2)	1.919	0.621	0.694	0.731
	O(2)#1	1.919	0.621	0.694	0.731
	O(2)#2	1.919	0.621	0.694	0.731
	O(2)#3	1.919	0.621	0.694	0.731
	Cl(1)	3.219	0.055	0.055	0.055
Charge			4.055	4.525	4.762
V2	O(1)	2.012	0.483	0.540	0.568
	O(1)#1	2.012	0.483	0.540	0.568
	O(2)	1.946	0.578	0.645	0.679
	O(2)#1	1.946	0.578	0.645	0.679
	O(3)	1.567	1.609	1.798	1.892
	Cl(1)	2.944	0.116	0.116	0.116
Charge			3.847	4.284	4.504

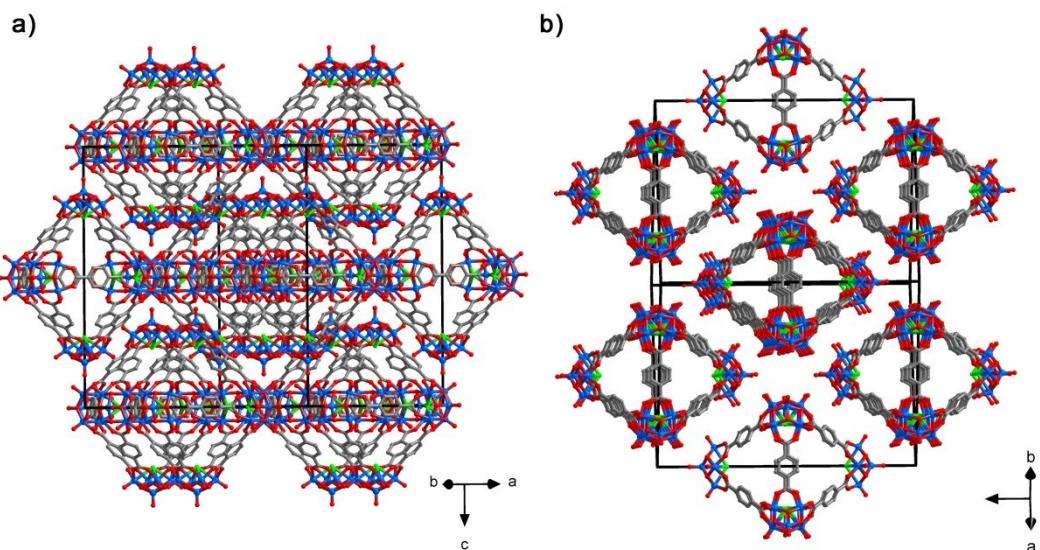


Figure S1. Packing arrangements in different directions of **VMOP-1**. Color codes: V, blue; Cl, green; O, red; C, gray; H atoms are omitted for clarity.

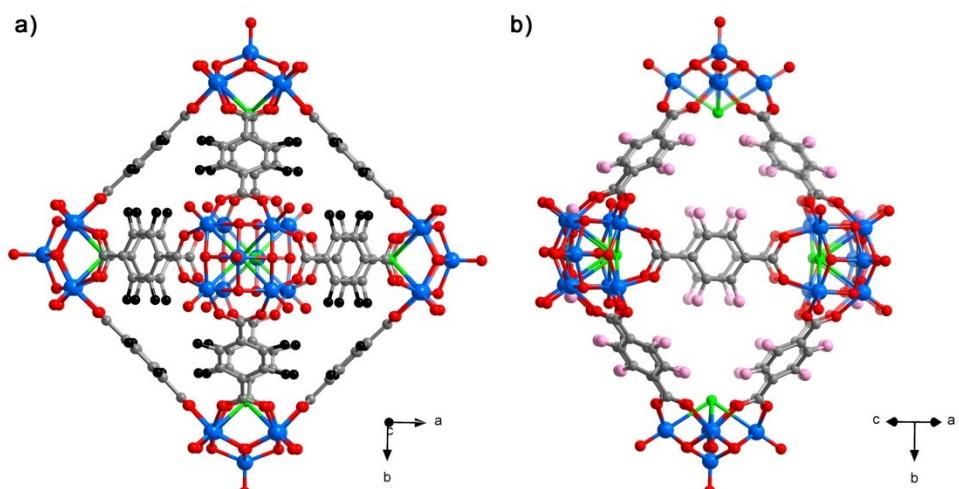


Figure S2. Ball-and-stick view (a and b) of **VMOP-2** and **VMOP-3**. Color codes: V, blue; Cl,

green; O, red; C, gray; N, black; Br, rose. N and Br atoms of ligands have low occupancy (0.25) due to disorder. (H atoms are omitted for clarity).

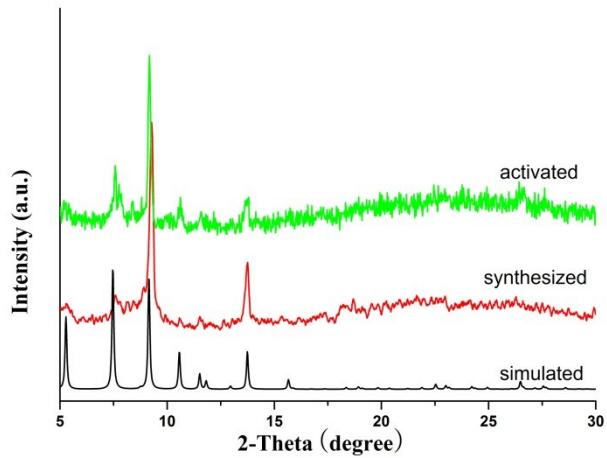


Figure S3. Experimental and simulated powder X-Ray diffraction patterns for **VMOP-1**.

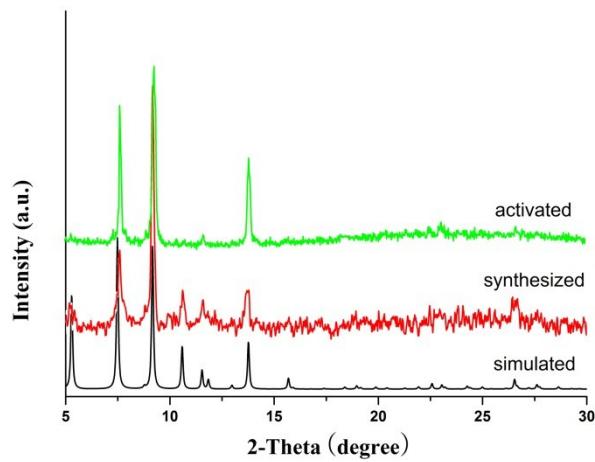


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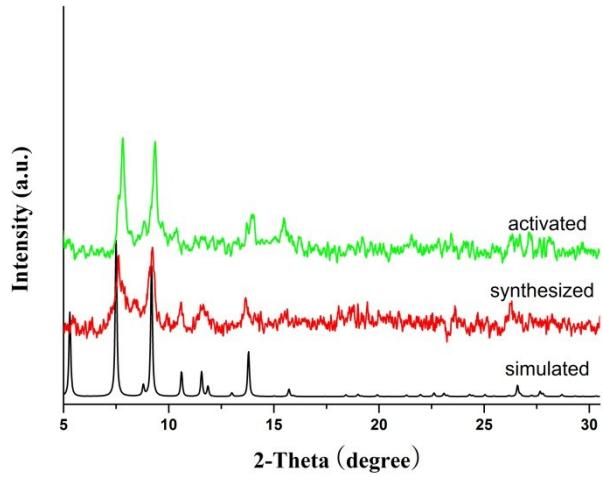


Figure S5. Experimental and simulated powder X-Ray diffraction patterns for **VMOP-3**.

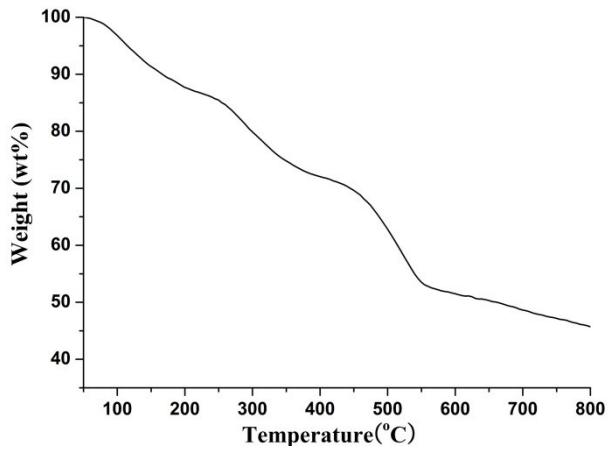


Figure S6. The TGA curve of VMOP-1.

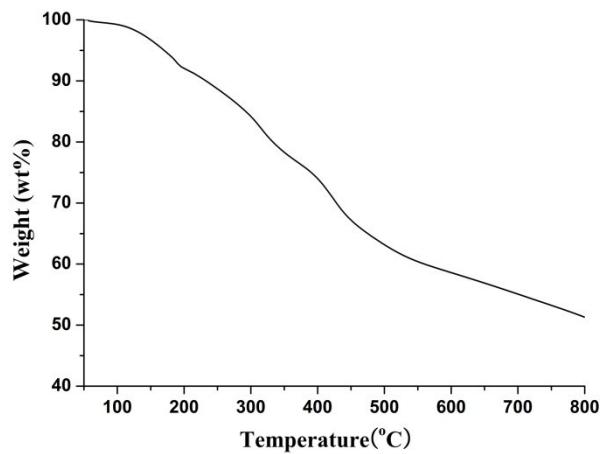


Figure S7. The TGA curve of VMOP-2.

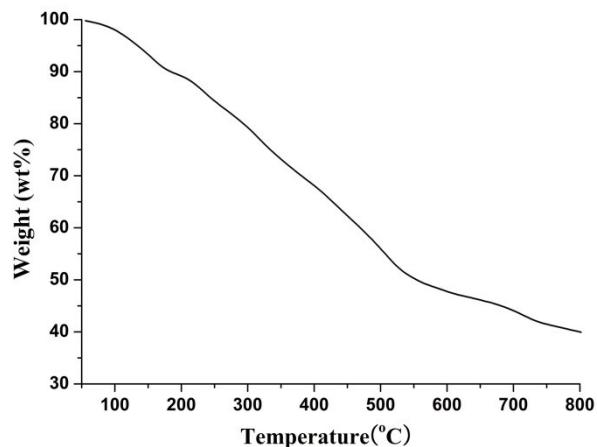


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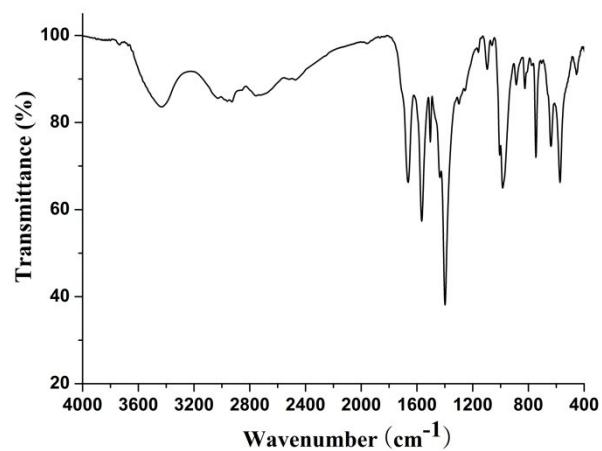


Figure S9. The IR spectrum of VMOP-1.

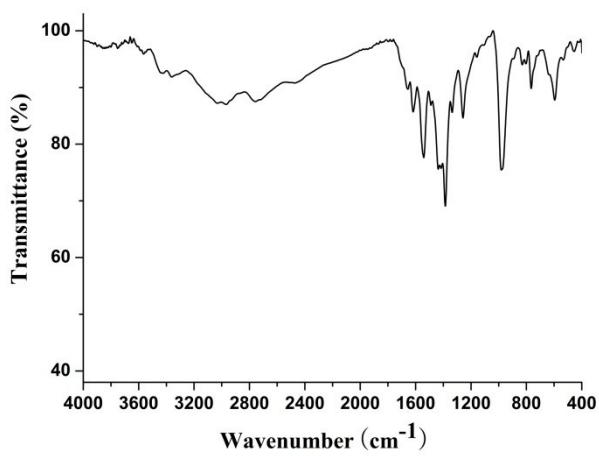


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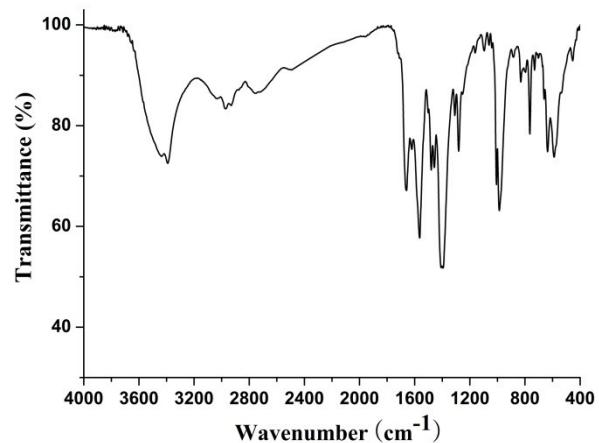


Figure S11. The IR spectrum of VMOP-3.

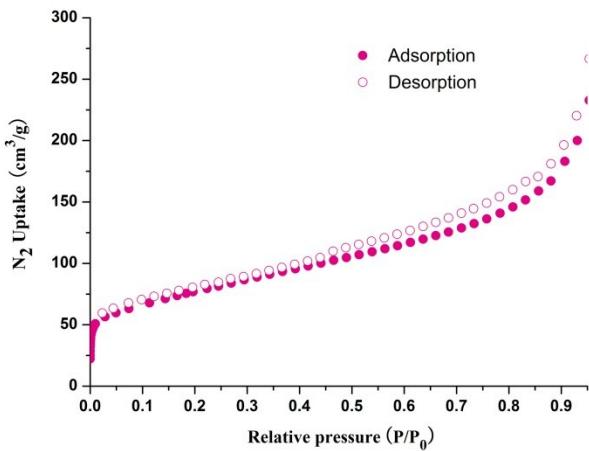


Figure S12. N₂ isotherm at 77 K for VMOP-1.

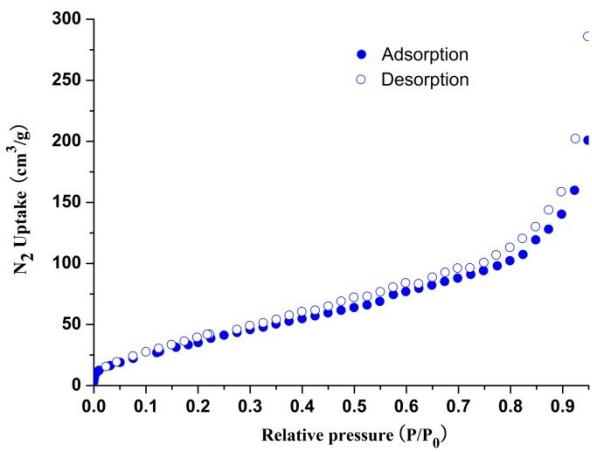


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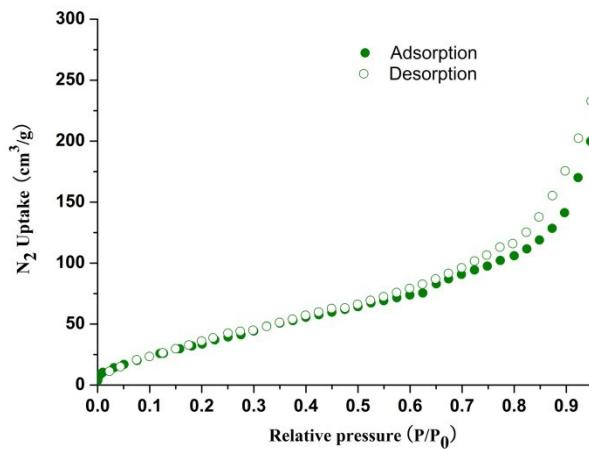


Figure S14. N₂ isotherm at 77 K for VMOP-3.

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