Supporting Information for

N-Heterocyclic tetracarbene Pd(II) moiety containing Pd(II)-Pb(II) bimetallic MOF for three-component cyclotrimerization via benzyne

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Materials and methods. All chemicals and solvents were at least of analytic grade and employed as received without further purification. The Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded from dry KBr pellets in the 400-4000cm⁻¹ range on a PerkinElmer 1600 FTIR spectrometer. The C, H and N elemental analysis were conducted on a PerkinElmer Model 2400 analyzer. Solution phase ¹H NMR spectrum was obtained on an AM-300 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in δ units relative to TMS. Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) measurements were performed at 293K on a D8 ADVANCE diffractometer (Cu K α , $\lambda = 1.5406$ Å). XPS spectra were obtained from PHI Versaprobe II. Thermogravimetric analyses were carried out on a TA Instrument Q5 simultaneous TGA under flowing nitrogen at a heating rate of 10°C/min.

Single-crystal structure determination. Suitable single crystals were selected and mounted in air onto thin glass fibers. X-ray intensity data were measured at 298(2) K on a Bruker SMART APEX CCD-based diffractometer (Mo K α radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å). The raw frame data were integrated into SHELX-format reflection files and corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects using SAINT.¹ Corrections for incident and diffracted beam absorption effects were applied using SADABS.¹ The crystal showed no evidence of crystal decay during data collection. The structure was solved by a combination of direct methods and difference Fourier syntheses and refined against F^2 by the full-matrix least squares technique. Upon successful solution and refinement in *P-1*. A large void space is present between the framework, which contains many significant electron density peaks. The species in this region were too severely disordered to be modeled, and were treated with SQUEEZE/PLATON. These species include some H₂O molecules. Crystal data, data collection parameters, and refinement statistics are listed in Tables S2. Crystallographic data (excluding structure factors) for the structure reported in this paper have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center as supplementary publication no CCDC 1472920. Copies of the data can be obtained free of charge on application to CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK (fax: (+44)1223-336-033; e-mail: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk).

Synthesis of Pd(II)-NHDC (A). A was synthesized according to the reported method.²

Synthesis of Pd(II)-Pb(II)-MOF (B). A mixture of $Pb(NO_3)_2$ (16 mg, 0.04 mmol), **A** (6.8 mg, 0.01 mmol) and $Na_2C_2O_4$ (0.7 mg, 0.005 mmol) in H_2O (1.5 mL) and ethanol (0.5 mL) was sealed in a glass tube. The mixture was heated at 150 °C for 48 h. After the mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature (18 h), colourless crystals of **B** were isolated in 36% yield. FT-IR (KBr pellets, cm⁻¹): 3409 (s), 3157 (s), 3091 (m), 1606 (vs), 1543 (s), 1465 (w), 1382 (vs), 1310 (s), 1176 (w), 1114 (w), 847 (m), 783 (m), 760 (m), 698 (m), 498 (w). Anal. Calcd for $Pb_4PdL_2Br_4(C_2O_4)$ ·11H₂O (**L** = $C_{21}H_{14}N_4O_4$): C, 22.82; H, 2.85; N, 10.89. Found: C, 22.35; H, 2.62; N, 10.47.

The general catalytic reaction procedure for benzyne cyclotrimerization. The benzyne cyclotrimerization catalysed by **A** or **B** was carried out in an inert atmosphere. A mixture of 2-(trimethylsilyl)phenyl triflate (122 μ L, 0.5 mmol), CsF (228 mg, 1.5 mmol), **A** (34 mg, 10 mol % Pd, finely ground) or **B** (11 mg, 1 mol % Pd, finely ground) and

 CH_3CN (3 mL) was stirred at 60°C for 2 - 4 h (monitored by TLC) to afford the corresponding triphenylene. The product was purified by the column on silica gel using petroleum ether as the eluent. Yields of triphenylene are 85 (by **A**) and 83 % (by **B**), respectively. It is different from **A**, **B** can be easily recovered by centrifugation. The recovered **B** was washed with double-distilled water (3.0 mL)/ethanol (3.0 mL) (3 times) and dried at 90°C in vacuum for the next run under the same reaction conditions.

The general catalytic reaction procedure for three-component coupling. The catalytic reactions were carried out in an inert atmosphere. A solution of 1 (0.5 mmol), 2 (0.5 mmol) and 3 (0.6 mmol) in CH₃CN (3 mL) was added to a mixture of **A** (34 mg, 10 mol% Pd, finely ground) or **B** (11 mg, 1 mol % Pd, finely ground) and CsF (228 mg, 1.5 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 60°C and monitored by TLC. The substrate of 1 was completely consumed after 4 h. Then, the reaction mixture was poured into water-CH₂Cl₂ (1:1) mixed solvent system (4 mL). The water phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 2 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered. The solvent was removed in vacuum, and the reside was purified by chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether as the eluent to give **5** and **4**, respectively. It is different from **A**, **B** can be readily recovered by centrifugation. The recovered **B** was washed with double-distilled water (3.0 mL)/ethanol (3.0 mL) (3 times) and dried at 90°C in vacuum for the next run under the same reaction conditions.

After cyclic catalysis, the reaction solution of CH₃CN was performed ICP measurement after filtration. The result is shown in Table 1. The result indicates that the leaching amount of Pd and Pb is ca. 1.8 and 0.018 %, respectively.

Туре	Pd 324.270	Pd 360.955	Pd 229.651	Туре	Рь 220.353	РЬ 168.215	Pb 283.305
unit	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	unit	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l
1	0.39769	0.3901	0.40142	1	0.02621	0.03655	0.02212
2	0.39403	0.39513	0.41358	2	0.03061	0.03948	0.0384
<x></x>	0.39586	0.39262	0.4075	<x></x>	0.02841	0.03802	0.03026
sd	0.00259	0.00356	0.0086	sd	0.00311	0.00207	0.01152
rsd	0.653	0.906	2.11	rsd	10.965	5.441	38.056







Fig. S1 Top: ORTEP figure of **B**. Bottom: coordination modes of the carboxylate and oxalate groups in **B**. As shown in Fig. S1, the Pd(II) center lies in a square-planar geometry with ligation from four carbenoid carbons which are provided by two metallaligands of **1** (C(10)-Pd(1) = 2.022(17) and C(12)-Pd(1) = 2.025(18) Å). It is different from Pd(II), there are two kinds of crystallographic Pb(II) centres in **B**. Pb(1) adopts a {Pb(1)O₇Br} sphere which is composed of five carboxylic oxygen donors from **A** (Pb(1)-O = 2.516(13) - 2.653(13) Å), two oxygen donors from the oxalate anions (Pb(1)-O = 2.528(13) - 2.630(12) Å) and one weakly coordinated μ -Br⁻ (Pb(1)-Br(1) = 3.220(3) Å). Pb(2) lies in a {Pb(2)O₃Br₂} sphere consisting of two chelating oxalate oxygen (O(5) and O(6)), one carboxylate oxygen (O(3)) from **A** and one weakly coordinated μ -Br⁻ and one terminal coordinated Br⁻ anions. The Pb(2)-O bond distances are in a range of 2.528(13)-2.566(14) Å, and Pb(2)-Br(1) and Pb(2)-Br(2) bond lengths are 3.076(3) and 2.745(3) Å, respectively.



Fig. S2 XPS spectrum of Pd in B, indicating that Pd is bivalent.



Fig. S3 Left: TGA trace of $(H_2O)_{11} \subset Pd(II) - Pb(II) - MOF$. The measured encapsulated guest water content of 8.7 % (calculated 8.5 %) was observed. Right: ¹H NMR spectrum of DMSO-*d*⁶ extract confirms that the encapsulated guest solvent is water.



Fig. S4 Left: Left: CO_2 sorption isotherms at 195 K of **B** (solid symbols: adsorption, open symbols: desorption). Right: the pore width of **B** is centred at 1.6 nm.



Fig. S5 Left: recycling catalytic test for benzyne cyclotrimerization based on 2-(trimethylsilyl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate catalyzed by **B**. Right: XRPD patterns of **B** and it was used after three catalytic runs.



Fig. S6 The XRPD patterns of as-synthesized **B** sample and it was used for three-component coupling reaction after 1, 3 and 5 catalytic runs.

Table S2. Crys	stal data of B
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Empirical formula	$C_{44}H_{28}Br_4N_8O_{12}Pb_4Pd$		
Fw	2115.54		
Cryst syst	Triclinic		
a (Å)	7.634(5)		
b (Å)	13.084(8)		
c (Å)	14.166(10)		
α (°)	105.216(13)		
β (°)	105.376(9)		
γ (°)	94.884(9)		
V (Å ³)	1298.2(15)		
Space Group	P-1		
Z value	1		
ρcalc. (g/cm ³)	2.706		
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	16.409		
Temp (K)	298 (2)		
Data / restraints / parameters	4563 / 30 / 319		
final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	<i>R1</i> = 0.0718, <i>wR2</i> = 0.1639		

Table S3	Selected	bond lengths	[Å]	and angles	[°]	for	B
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_	O(1)-Pb(1)#3	2.630(12)	O(1)-Pb(1)#4	2.653(13)
	O(2)-Pb(1)#4	2.622(14)	O(3)-Pb(1)	2.516(13)
	O(3)-Pb(2)	2.565(12)	O(4)-Pb(1)	2.639(14)
	O(5)-Pb(2)	2.566(14)	O(5)-Pb(1)	2.742(13)
	O(6)-Pb(2)#2	2.528(13)	Br(1)-Pb(2)	3.076(3)
	Br(1)-Pb(1)#1	3.220(3)	Br(2)-Pb(2)	2.745(3)
	Pd(1)-C(10)#7	2.022(17)	Pd(1)-C(12)#7	2.025(18)
	Pb(2)-Br(1)-Pb(1)#1	83.17(7)	O(3)-Pb(1)-O(2)#4	82.3(5)
	O(3)-Pb(1)-O(1)#5	128.4(4)	O(2)#4-Pb(1)-O(1)#5	125.4(4)
	O(3)-Pb(1)-O(4)	49.2(4)	O(2)#4-Pb(1)-O(4)	126.6(5)
	O(1)#5-Pb(1)-O(4)	82.6(4)	O(3)-Pb(1)-O(1)#4	125.0(4)
	O(2)#4-Pb(1)-O(1)#4	47.9(4)	O(1)#5-Pb(1)-O(1)#4	80.1(4)
	O(4)-Pb(1)-O(1)#4	142.6(4)	O(3)-Pb(1)-O(5)	70.5(4)
	O(2)#4-Pb(1)-O(5)	67.7(5)	O(1)#5-Pb(1)-O(5)	81.1(4)
	O(4)-Pb(1)-O(5)	74.9(4)	O(1)#4-Pb(1)-O(5)	69.8(4)
	O(3)-Pb(1)-Br(1)#6	82.4(3)	O(2)#4-Pb(1)-Br(1)#6	71.1(3)
	O(1)#5-Pb(1)-Br(1)#6	143.5(3)	O(4)-Pb(1)-Br(1)#6	114.9(3)
	O(1)#4-Pb(1)-Br(1)#6	98.4(3)	O(5)-Pb(1)-Br(1)#6	132.9(3)
	O(6)#2-Pb(2)-O(3)	136.0(4)	O(6)#2-Pb(2)-O(5)	64.2(4)
	O(3)-Pb(2)-O(5)	72.7(4)	O(6)#2-Pb(2)-Br(2)	85.3(4)
	O(3)-Pb(2)-Br(2)	88.6(3)	O(5)-Pb(2)-Br(2)	92.6(3)
	O(6)#2-Pb(2)-Br(1)	76.7(3)	O(3)-Pb(2)-Br(1)	146.0(3)
	O(5)-Pb(2)-Br(1)	140.9(3)	Br(2)-Pb(2)-Br(1)	85.18(8)
	C(10)#7-Pd(1)-C(10)	180.000(4)	C(10)#7-Pd(1)-C(12)	97.2(7)
_	C(10)-Pd(1)-C(12)	82.8(7)	C(12)-Pd(1)-C(12)#7	180.0(9)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x+1,y,z #2 -x+1,-y+1,-z+2 #3 x+1,y+1,z #4 -x+1,-y+2,-z+2 #5 x-1,y-1,z #6 x-1,y,z

#7 -x,-y+2,-z+1

Characterization data for 4 and 5a-5j.



4, white solid, mp:197-198°C; ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (dd, *J* = 3.0 6.0 Hz, 6H), 8.68 (dd, *J* = 3.0 6.0 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 123.3, 127.2, 129.8; IR (KBr): 3097, 3074, 1988, 981, 856, 766 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₈H₁₃⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 229.1012, found 229.0973. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₂: C, 94.70; H, 5.30. Found: C, 95.15; H, 5.24.



5a, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 3.35 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 4.90-5.04 (q, 2H), 5.80 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.60 (m, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 36.2, 112.6, 126.6, 126.9, 127.5, 128.1 (2C), 129.0 (2C), 129.7, 130.6, 142.3, 142.5, 145.2, 146.1; IR (KBr): 3059, 3021, 1636, 1496, 1479, 745, 723 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₅H₁₅⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 195.1168, found 195.1153. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₄: C, 92.74; H, 7.26. Found: C, 93.21; H, 7.41.



5b, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 1.61 (s, 3H), 3.26 (s, 2H), 4.49 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 7.26-7.37 (m, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 22.6, 41.3, 112.1, 126.1, 126.8, 127.2, 127.9 (2C), 129.2 (2C), 130.0, 130.1, 136.8, 141.8, 142.3, 145.6; IR (KBr): 3060, 3022, 2926, 1730, 1499, 890, 772, 722, 701 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₇⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 209.1325, found 209.1316. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₆: C, 92.26; H, 7.74. Found: C, 92.46; H, 7.96.



5c, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 3.48 (s, 2H), 6.23 (s, 2H), 7.16-7.37 (m, 14H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 36.8, 126.1 (2C), 126.3, 127.0, 127.1, 127.4, 128.1 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.8, 129.4 (2C), 129.7, 129.8, 130.2, 131.0, 137.5, 137.7, 141.7, 142.1; IR (KBr): 3446, 3058, 3024, 2924, 1693. 1597, 1479, 1449, 1073, 1009, 746, 700 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₁H₁₉⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 271.1481, found 271.1460. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₁₈: C, 93.29; H, 6.71. Found: C, 93.40; H, 6.84.



5d, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 1.46-1.54 (d, 2H), 1.70 (s, 1H), 1.84 (s, 1H), 1.97-2.06 (m, 2H), 3.55 (s, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 5.82 (s, 1H), 7.20-7.38 (m, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 21.7, 24.9, 32.4, 37.9, 125.6, 126.8, 127.5, 127.8, 127.9, 128.0 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 130.0, 131.1, 141.7, 141.9, 144.1; IR (KBr): 3057, 3019, 2931, 2856, 1477, 1445, 755, 720 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₈H₁₉⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 235.1481, found 235.1465. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₈: C, 92.26; H, 7.74. Found: C, 92.57; H, 7.65.



5e, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 3.28 (s, 2H), 4.87 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (m, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.30-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.51-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.62 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 37.4, 112.3, 116.2, 118.8, 126.5, 128.4, 128.9, 129.9, 130.2, 130.6, 132.7, 133.7, 137.0, 137.2, 139.6, 143.9; IR (KBr): 3399, 3061, 2924, 2853, 2229, 1636, 1492, 760, 698 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₄N⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 220.1121, found 220.1118. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₃N: C, 87.64; H, 5.98; N, 6.39. Found: C, 87.28; H, 5.66; N, 6.42.



5f, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 3.30 (s, 2H), 4.86 (d, J = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (t, 1H), 7.06 (s, 2H), 7.20-7.40 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 38.3, 115.7 (d, J = 22.5 Hz, 1C), 116.7, 127.0, 128.4, 130.7, 131.0, 131.6, 131.7, 132.1, 137.1, 138.0, 138.5, 161.3, 164.5; IR (KBr): 3062, 2957, 2925, 1637, 1513, 1445, 1220, 1142, 839, 761 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₅H₁₄F⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 213.1074, found 213.1090. Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₃F: C, 84.88; H, 6.17. Found: C, 84.80; H, 6.24.



5g, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 3.34 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (m, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 3H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 37.5, 55.2, 112.6, 114.9, 115.8, 121.8, 126.1, 127.5, 129.0, 129.8, 130.0, 137.2, 137.9, 141.7, 143.1, 159.8; IR (KBr): 3059, 3002, 2937, 2834, 1688, 1597, 1475, 1221, 1044, 758, 703 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 225.1274, found 225.1260. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₆O: C, 85.68; H, 7.19. Found: C, 85.82; H, 7.33.



5h, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 3.35 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 4.92 (d, J = 18 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.83-6.03 (m, 1H), 7.24-7.47 (m, 6H), 8.05 (d, J = 18 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 37.4, 52.1, 116.0, 126.3, 128.0, 128.8, 129.3 (2C), 129.4 (2C), 129.8, 130.0, 137.0, 137.5, 141.0, 146.5, 167.0; IR (KBr): 3421, 3060, 2950, 2843, 1724, 1610, 1278, 1113, 779, 754 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₇H₁₇O₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 253.1223, found 253.1202. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₆O₂: C, 80.93; H, 6.39. Found: C, 81.08; H, 6.53.



5i, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 1.61 (s, 3H), 3.22 (s, 2H), 4.45 (s, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 7.06 (s, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 23.5, 42.15, 113.0, 115.6 (d, J = 22.5 Hz, 1C), 127.0, 128.2, 130.9, 131.1, 131.5, 137.8, 138.4, 138.5, 142.1, 146.3, 161.2, 164.5; IR (KBr): 3446, 3067, 2926, 1650, 1512, 1481, 1222, 1157, 838, 762 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₆H₁₆F ⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 227.1231, found 227.1235. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₅F: C, 84.92; H, 6.68. Found: C, 85.02; H, 6.74.



5j, yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (300 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 1.48-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.75-1.80 (m, 1H), 1.84-1.91 (m, 1H), 2.02-2.11 (m, 2H), 3.55 (s, 1H), 5.66 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 7.04-7.40 (m, 8H); ¹³C NMR (75 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 22.5, 25.7, 33.2, 38.7, 115.8 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 126.5, 128.3, 128.5 (2C), 128.9, 130.8, 131.7, 137.1, 138.6, 141.4, 145.1, 161.2, 164.4; IR (KBr): 3061, 3020, 2931, 2856, 1437, 1445, 852, 760 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₈H₁₈F⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 253.1387, found 253.1379. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₇F: C, 85.68; H, 6.79. Found: C, 85.83; H, 6.87.



¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra.































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