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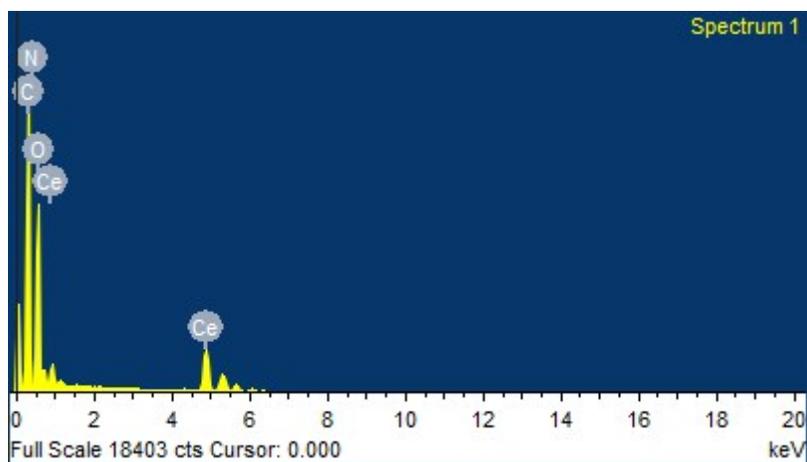
**A highly stable dimethyl-functionalized Ce(IV)-based UiO-66 metal-organic  
framework material for gas sorption and redox catalysis**

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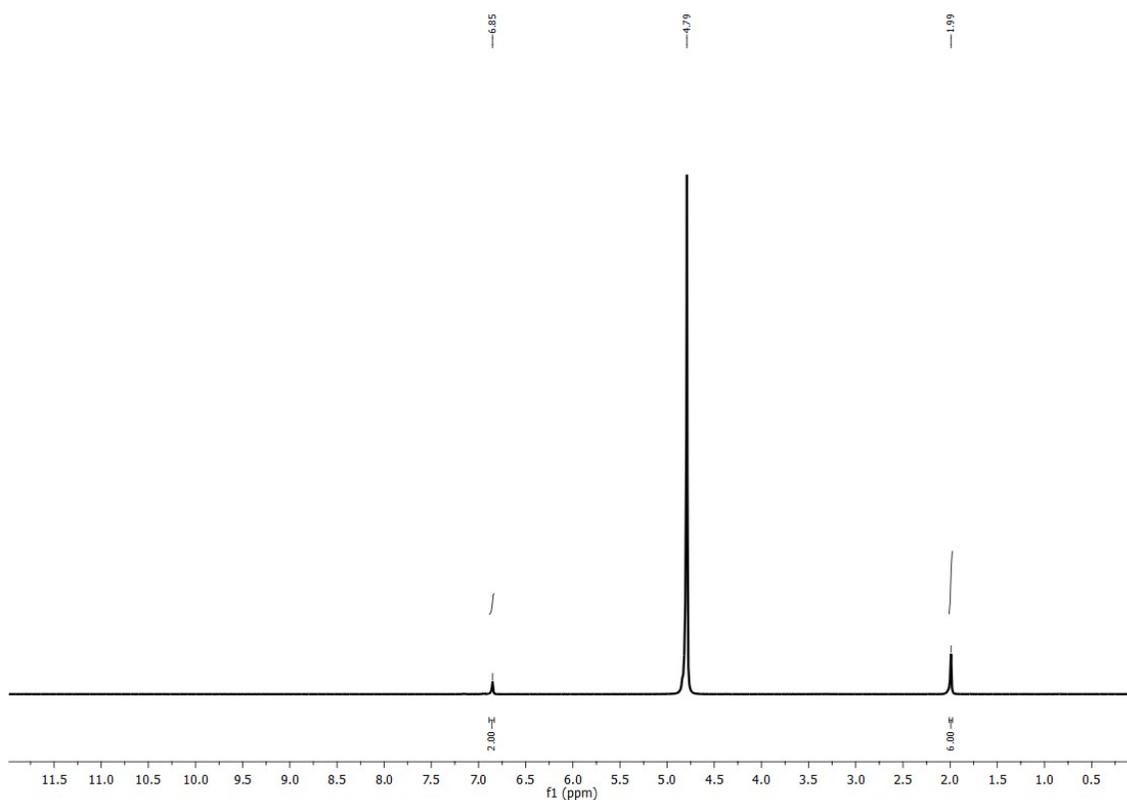
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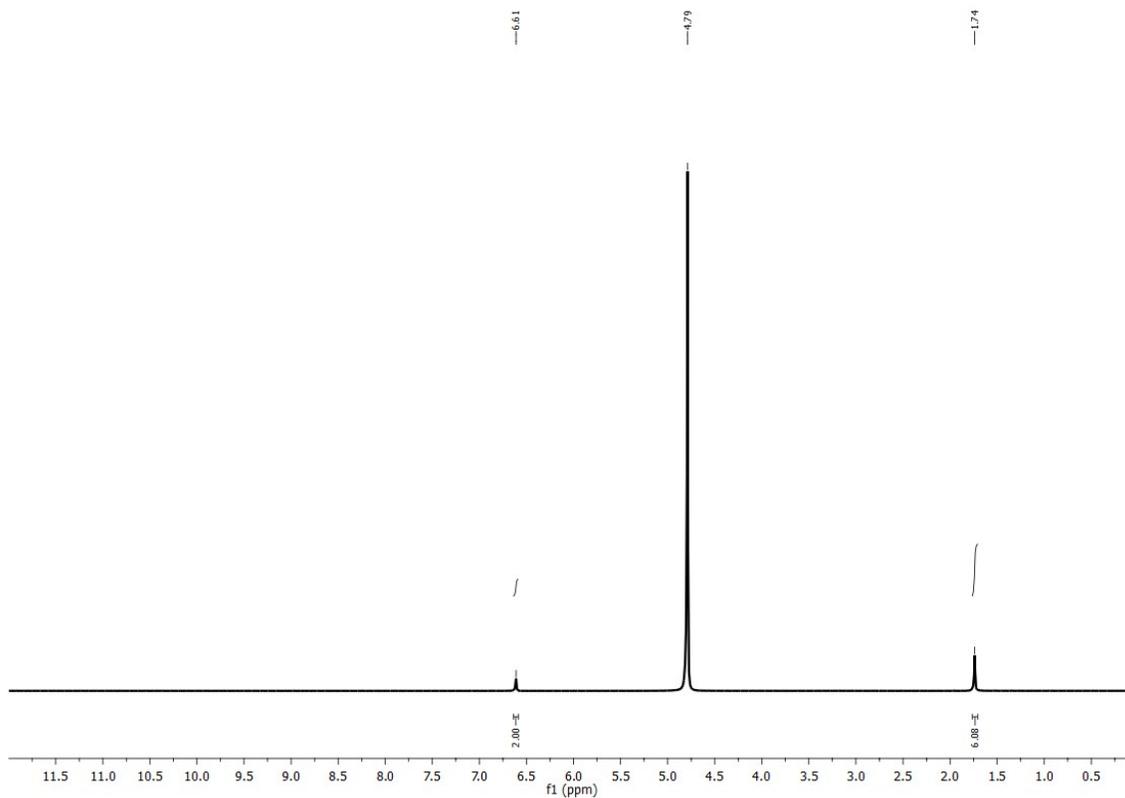
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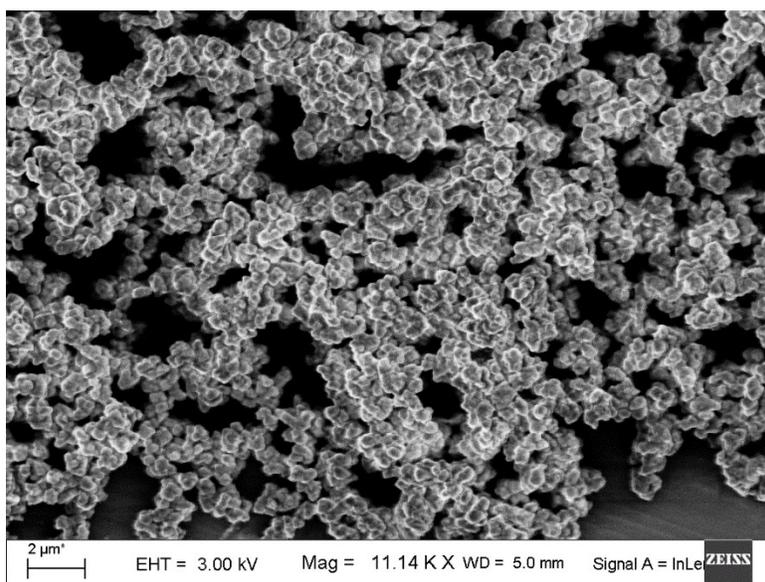
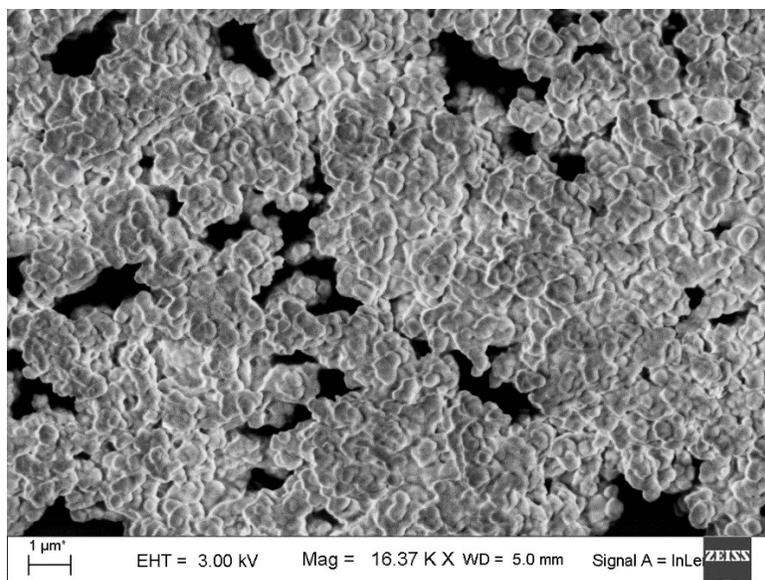
**Figure S1.** EDX spectrum of **1'**.



**Figure S2.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of H<sub>2</sub>BDC-(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> ligand recorded in 500 μL of 1M NaOH in D<sub>2</sub>O. The peaks at δ values of 6.85 and 1.99 ppm correspond to the ligand. The peak at δ value of 4.79 ppm correspond to HDO (NMR solvent).



**Figure S3.**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectra of **1'** recorded in 500  $\mu\text{L}$  of 1M NaOH in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . The peaks at  $\delta$  values of 6.61 and 1.74 ppm correspond to the ligand. The peak at  $\delta$  value of 4.79 ppm correspond to HDO (NMR solvent).



**Figure S4.** FE-SEM images of as-synthesized **1'**.

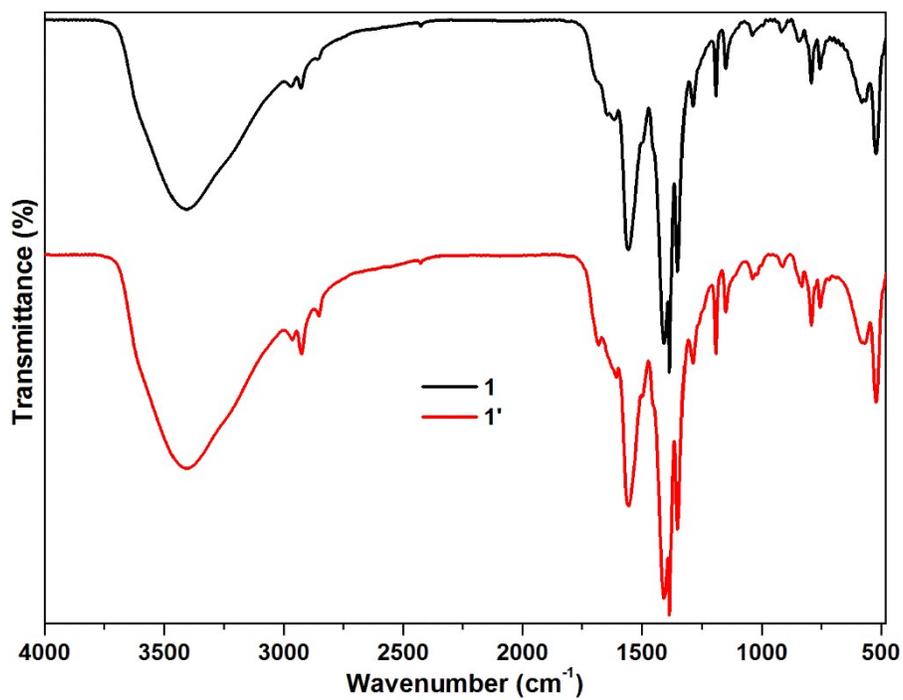


Figure S5. FT-IR spectra of as-synthesized **1** (black) and activated (red) **1'**.

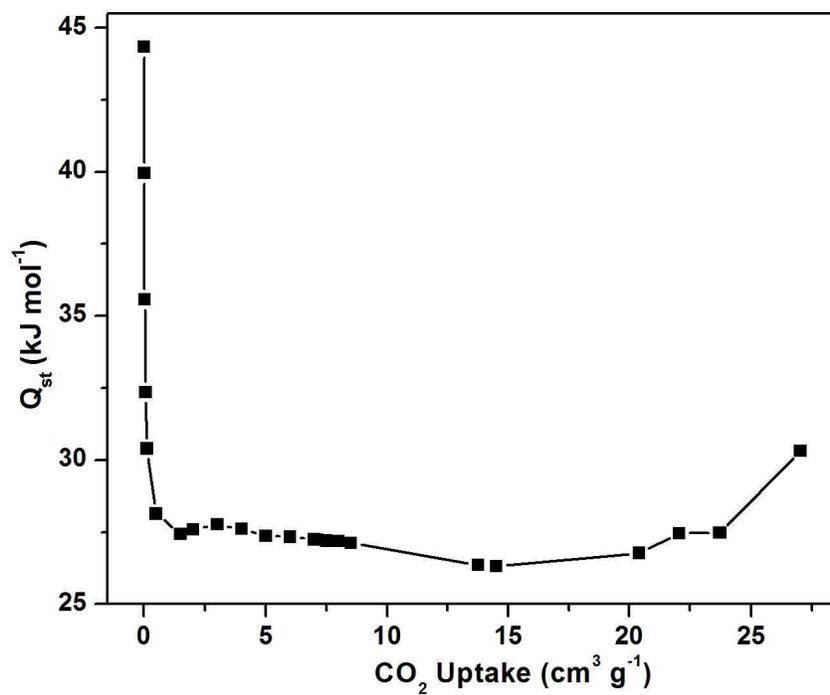


Figure S6. Calculated isosteric heats of adsorption as a function of CO<sub>2</sub> uptake for **1'**.

**Table S1.** Lattice parameters of as-synthesized **1** having cubic unit cell. The values are compared with those of the formerly reported, isostructural, parent and functionalized Zr(IV) and Ce(IV)-based UiO-66 compounds.

Compound	<i>a</i> (Å)	<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )
<b>1</b>	21.427(7)	9837.7(13)
Ce-UiO-66 <sup>[1]</sup>	21.4727(3)	9900.6(4)
Ce-UiO-66-F <sup>[1]</sup>	21.5241(8)	-
Ce-UiO-66-CH <sub>3</sub> <sup>[1]</sup>	21.4842(2)	-
Ce-UiO-66-Cl <sup>[1]</sup>	21.4904(2)	-
Ce-UiO-66-NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>[1]</sup>	21.5194(2)	-
Ce-UiO-66-COOH <sup>[1]</sup>	21.4718(7)	-
Zr-UiO-66 <sup>[2]</sup>	20.7004(2)	8870.3(2)
Zr-UiO-66-SO <sub>3</sub> H <sup>[3]</sup>	20.824(1)	9029.8(6)
Zr-UiO-66-COOH <sup>[3]</sup>	20.8202(3)	9025.1(1)
Zr-UiO-66-I <sup>[3]</sup>	20.8076(5)	9008.8(2)
Zr-UiO-66-CF <sub>3</sub> <sup>[4]</sup>	20.43(5)	8524.5(34)
Zr-UiO-66-(COOH) <sub>2</sub> <sup>[4]</sup>	20.54(6)	8662.9(27)
Zr-UiO-66-F <sub>2</sub> <sup>[4]</sup>	20.33(5)	8401.9(32)
Zr-UiO-66-Cl <sub>2</sub> <sup>[4]</sup>	20.27(13)	8325.7(48)
Zr-UiO-66-Br <sub>2</sub> <sup>[4]</sup>	20.23(3)	8276.5(36)

**Table S2.** Oxidation of styrene using various oxidants in the presence of **1**'.

S.No.	Substrate	Oxidant	T (°C)	Time (h)	Conv. (%)	Selectivity (%)		
						<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	Others
1	Styrene	TBHP in decane	40	1	3.5	5	80	15
2	Styrene	TBHP in decane	40	3	6.3	6	81	13
3	Styrene	TBHP in decane	40	5	10.1	6	74	20
4	Styrene	TBHP in decane	40	7	12.6	7	72	21
5	Styrene	TBHP in decane	70	1	17.2	37	47	16
6	Styrene	TBHP in decane	70	3	31	35	44	21
7	Styrene	TBHP in decane	70	5	48	32	45	23
8	Styrene	TBHP in	70	7	58.8	29	42	29

		decane						
9	Styrene	TBHP in water	70	1	15	16	68	16
10	Styrene	TBHP in water	70	3	29	21	61	18
11	Styrene	TBHP in water	70	6	62	19	50	31
12	Styrene	TBHP in water	70	9	72	17	44	39

Reaction conditions: styrene (1 mmol), oxidant (1 mmol), **1'** (20 mg), CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2 mL).

**Table S3.** Conversion of cyclohexene in the presence of **1'** using TBHP as oxidant.

S.No.	Time (h)	Conv. (%)	Selectivity (%)			
			<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
1	1	21	17	10	30	43
2	3	42	10	11	33	46
3	5	51	7	10	33	50
4	7	56	7	12	33	48

Reaction conditions: cyclohexene (1 mmol), TBHP in decane (1 mmol), **1'** (20 mg), CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2 mL), 70 °C.

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