

## Supplementary information

### Immobilization of lysozyme proteins on a hierarchical zeolitic imidazolate framework (ZIF-8)

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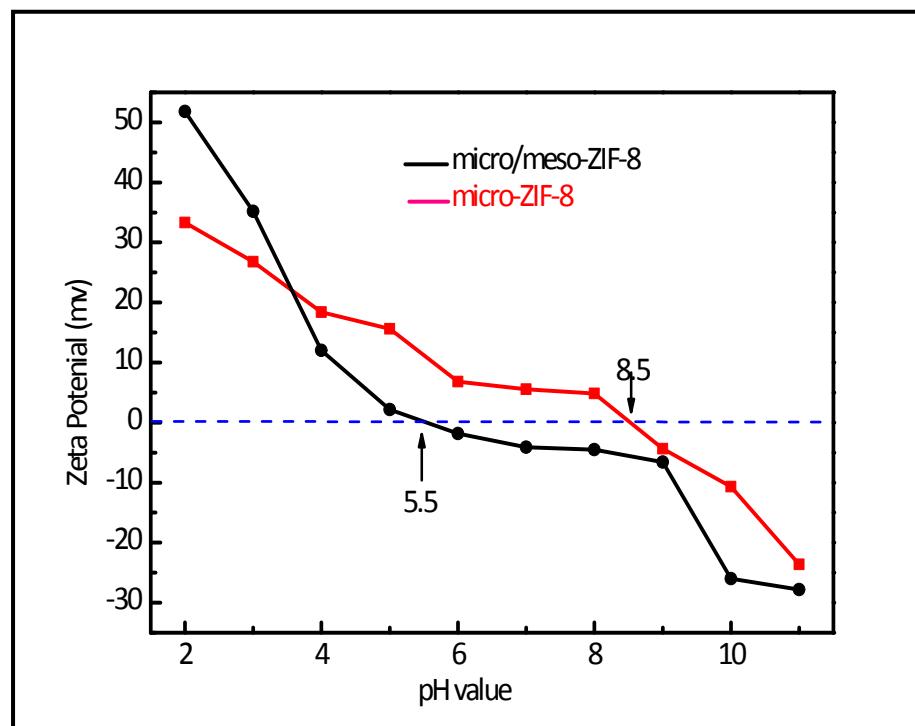


Fig. S1 Surface zeta potential versus different pH values of micro/meso-ZIF-8 and meso-ZIF-8

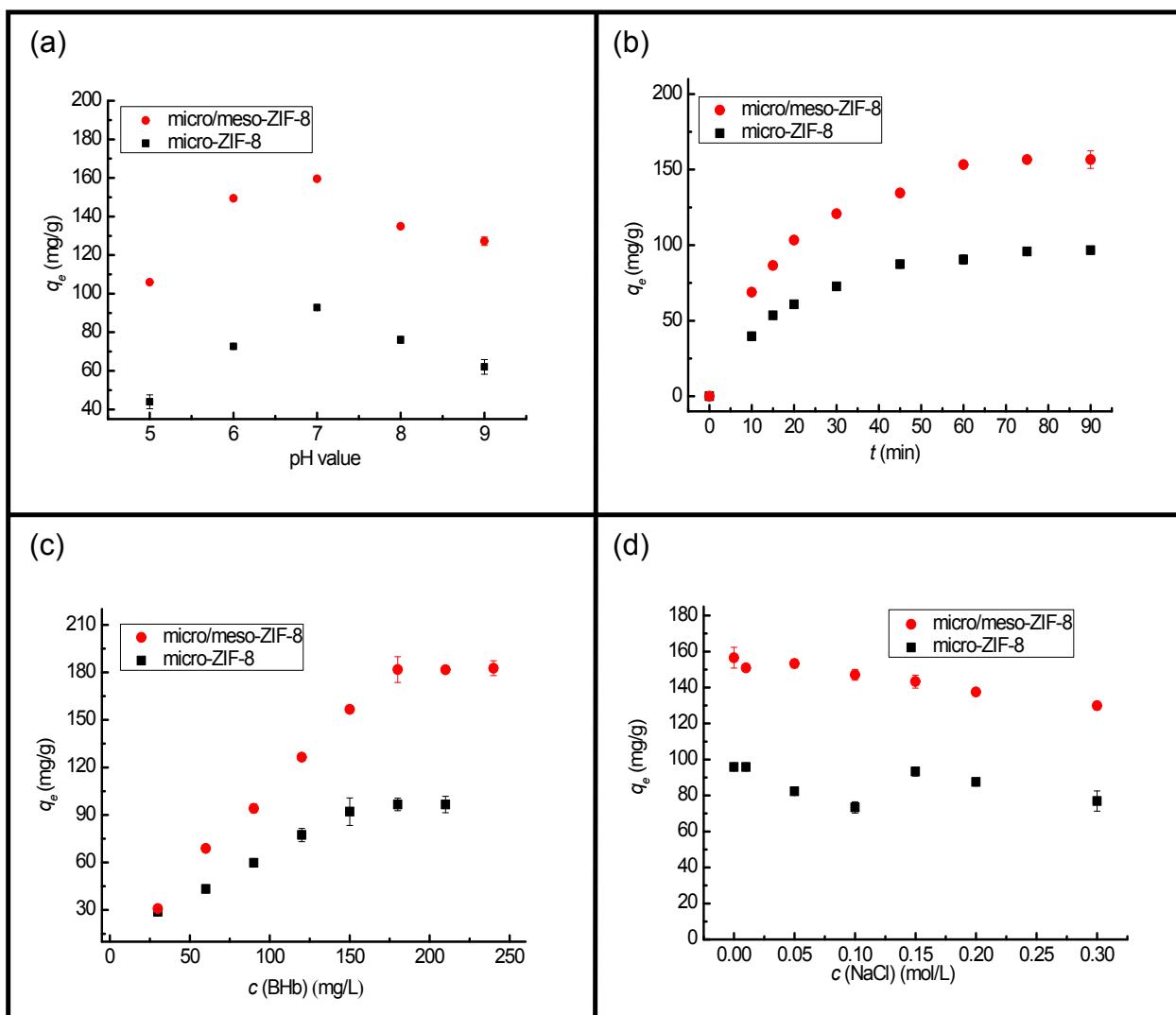


Fig. S2 The batch adsorption tests of BHb on both ZIF-8 adsorbents under different conditions. (a) The adsorption capacity versus different pH values, adsorption conditions:  $c(\text{BHb})= 150 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $t=90\text{min}$ ; (b) Adsorption kinetics, adsorption conditions:  $c(\text{BHb})= 150 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $\text{pH}=7$ ; (c) Adsorption isotherms, adsorption conditions:  $\text{pH}=7$ ,  $t=90\text{min}$ ; (d) The effect of ionic strength, adsorption conditions:  $c(\text{BHb})= 150 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $t=90\text{min}$ ,  $\text{pH}=7$ .

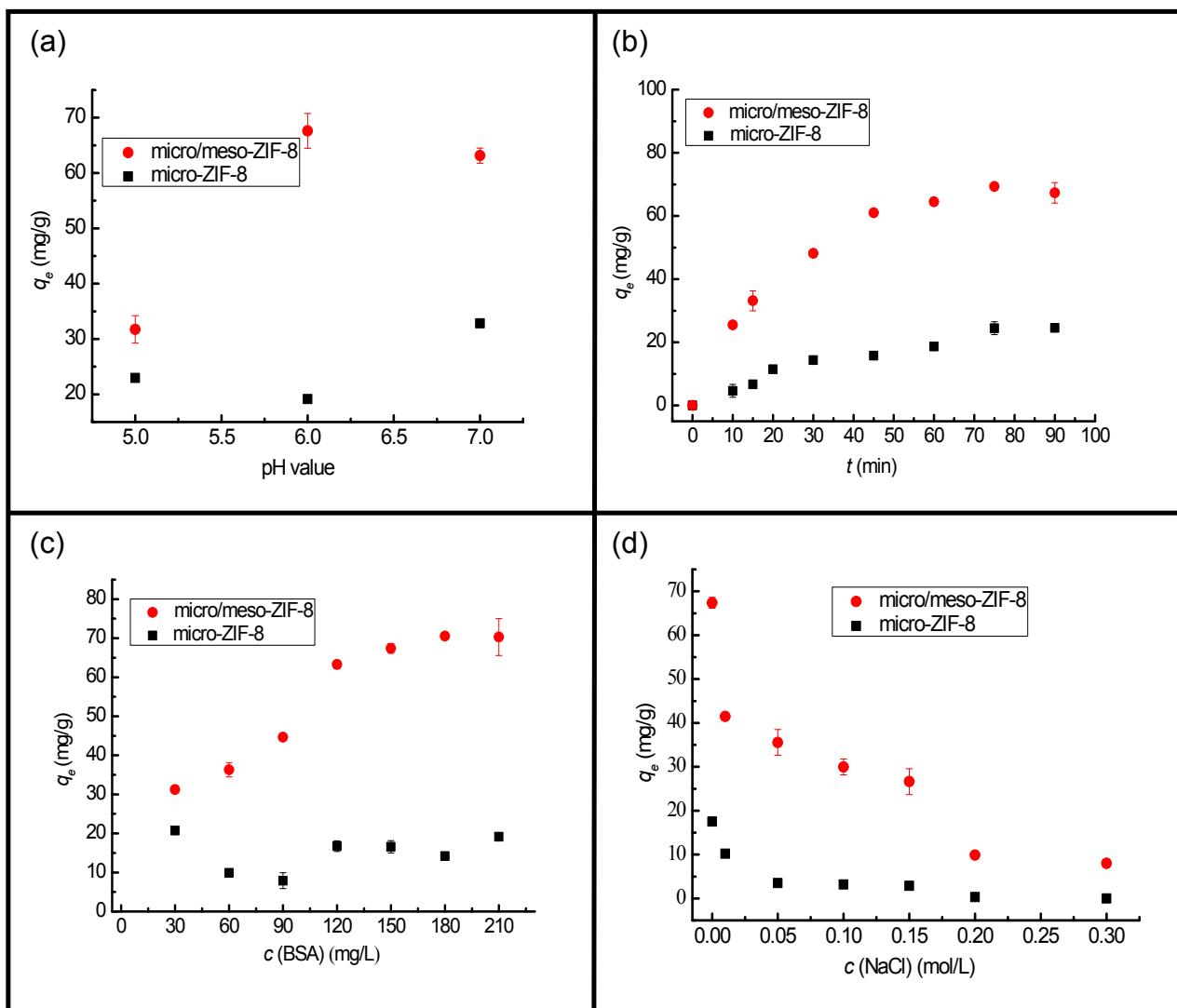


Fig. S3 The batch adsorption tests of BSA on both ZIF-8 adsorbents under different conditions. (a) The adsorption capacity versus different pH values, adsorption conditions:  $c(\text{BSA})= 150 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $t=90\text{min}$ ; (b) Adsorption kinetics, adsorption conditions:  $c(\text{BSA})= 150 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $\text{pH}=6$ ; (c) Adsorption isotherms, adsorption conditions:  $\text{pH}=6$ ,  $t=90\text{min}$ ; (d) The effect of ionic strength, adsorption conditions:  $c(\text{BSA})= 150 \text{ mg/L}$ ,  $\text{pH}=6$ ,  $t=90\text{min}$ .

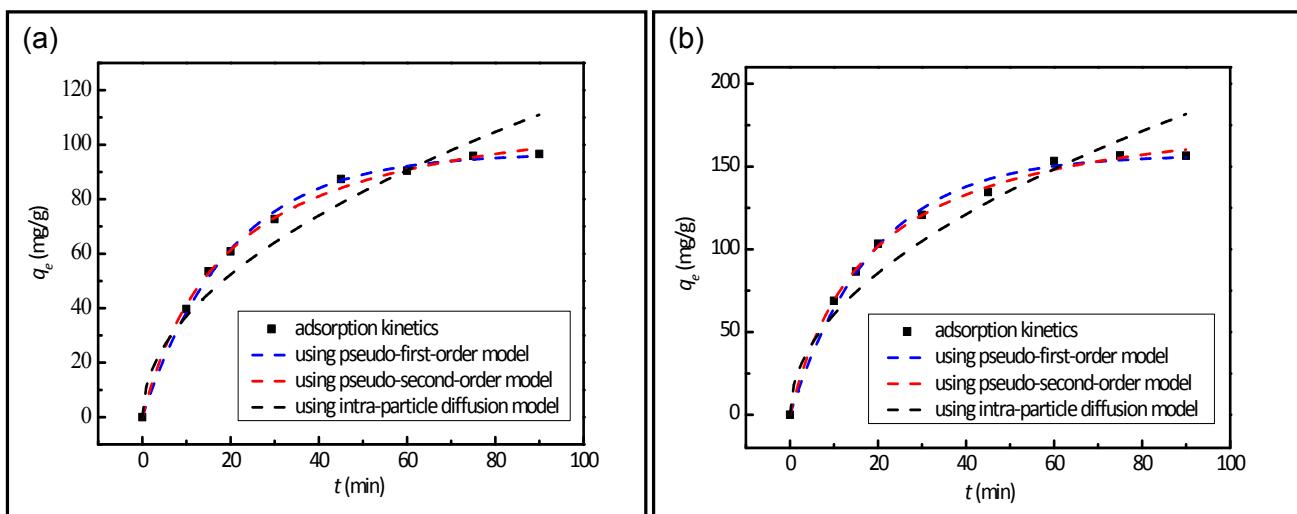


Fig. S4 The fitting curves of the adsorption kinetic data of BHb on micro-ZIF-8 (a) and micro/meso-ZIF-8 (b) using the kinetics models.

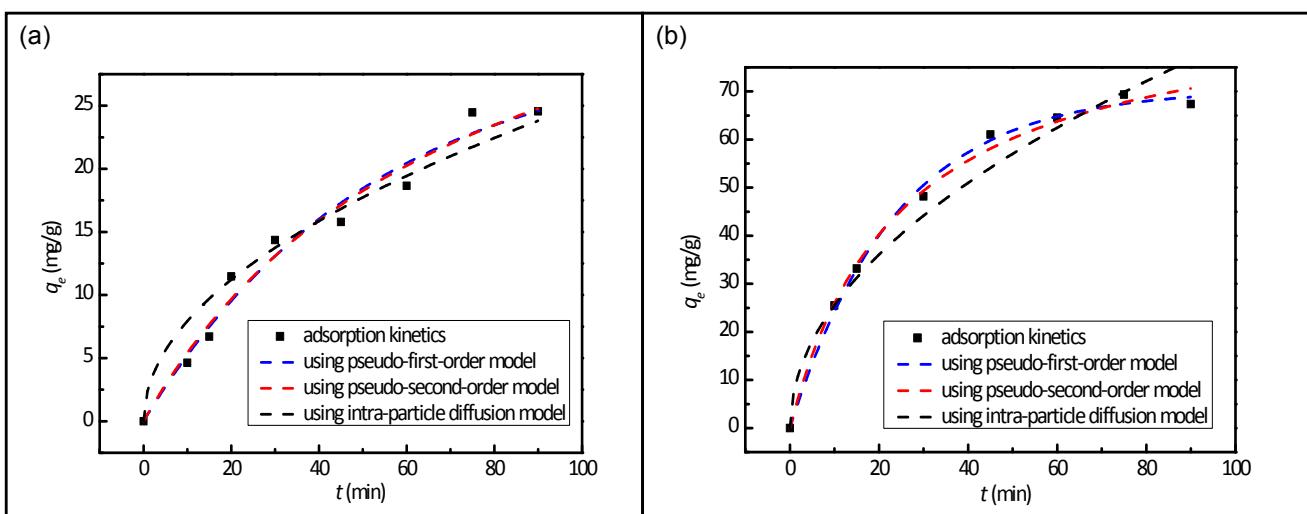


Fig. S5 The fitting curves of the adsorption kinetic data of BSA on micro-ZIF-8 (a) and micro/meso-ZIF-8 (b) using the kinetics models.

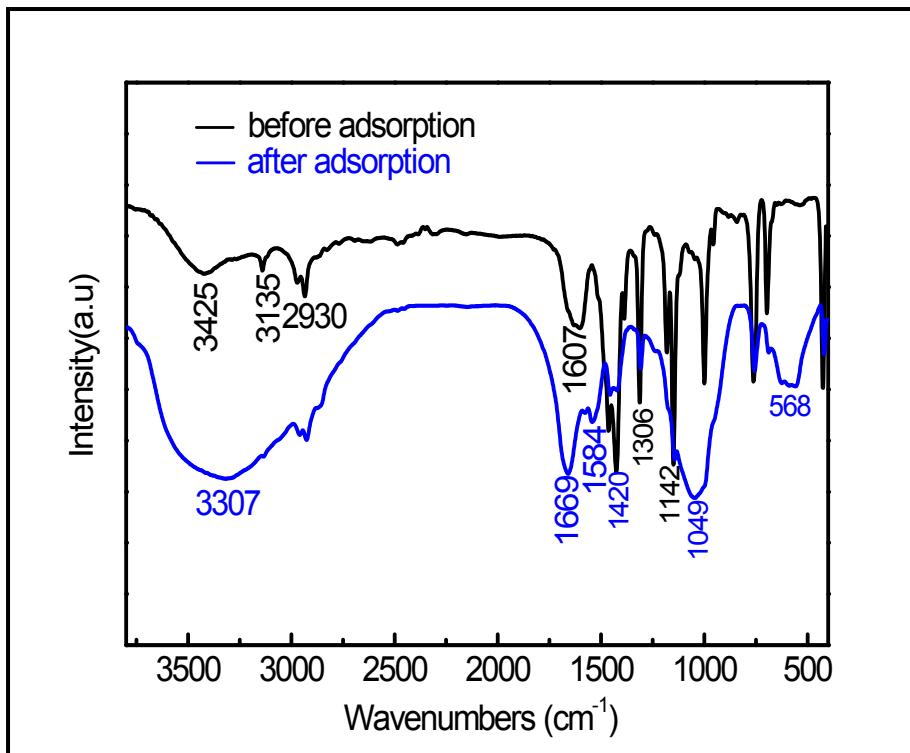


Fig. S6 FT-IR spectra of micro/meso-ZIF-8 before and after LZM adsorption

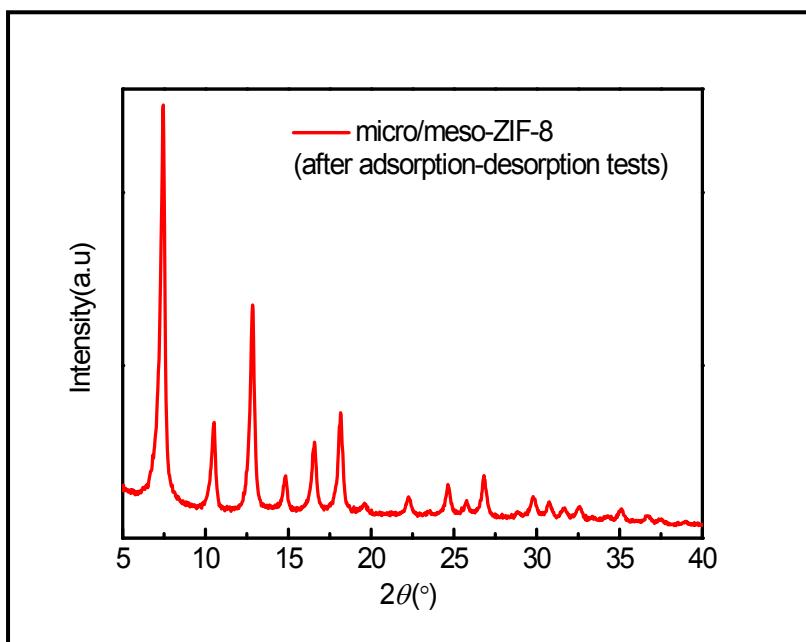


Fig. S7 XRD pattern of micro/meso-ZIF-8 MOFs after adsorption-desorption tests