## Using water-mimic organic compounds to activate guest inclusion by initially dry betacyclodextrin

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# Equation used for calculation of formation Gibbs energy for an inclusion compound formed in two steps ( $\Delta G_c$ ):

$$\Delta G_c = (A_1 \cdot \Delta G_{c1} + A_2 \cdot \Delta G_{c2}) / (A_1 + A_2), \tag{S1}$$

where  $\Delta G_{ci}$  is Gibbs energy of clathrate formation at *i*-th inclusion step,  $A_i$  — guest mole number sorbed in the *i*-th inclusion step.

#### Description of fitting procedure used for sorption isotherms in binary systems

Sorption isotherms in binary systems were fitted by minimizing a standard deviation  $\delta$  of experimental points ( $A_{exp}$ , ( $P/P_0$ )<sub>exp</sub>) from the isotherm calculated by equation (1) in the main text of the paper:

$$\delta = \left( \sum \left\{ \left[ (P/P_0)_{\text{calc}} - (P/P_0)_{\text{exp}} \right]^2 + \left[ (A_{\text{calc}} - A_{\text{exp}})/S \right]^2 \right\} / (n-2) \right)^{1/2}$$
(S2)

where  $P/P_0$  is guest thermodynamic activity, A— guest uptake, S— stoichiometry of a saturated clathrate, n – number of experimental points. In the fitting procedure, points ( $A_{calc}$ , ( $P/P_0$ )<sub>calc</sub>) are found on the calculated sorption isotherm having the shortest distances from each experimental point in normalized coordinates A /S vs.  $P/P_0$ .

$P/P_0$	$\Delta m, \%$	A, mol per mol bCD	$T_{\rm max}$ , °C <sup>b</sup>	$\Delta H_{ m dehydr}$ , kJ/mol
0.10	0.7	0.5	83	51±6
0.20	3.4	2.2	81	45±4
0.25	6.7	4.5 <sup><i>a</i></sup>	84	49±4
0.30	8.6	6.0	92	49±3
0.33	8.7	6.0	100	47±3
0.40	10.8	7.6	109	50±3
0.50	10.1	7.1 <sup><i>a</i></sup>	102	47±3
0.60	11.9	8.5	110	50±2
0.70	12.5	9.0	110	51±2
0.85	12.6	9.1 <sup><i>a</i></sup>	112	47±2
0.90	12.4	9.0	104	48±2
1.00	15.1	11.2 <sup><i>a</i></sup>	145	48±2

**Table S1**. Data of TG/DSC/MS analysis for bCD hydrates prepared at different humidities  $P/P_0$ ,  $T=25^{\circ}$ C.

<sup>*a*</sup> data from Ref. 1; <sup>*b*</sup>  $T_{\text{max}}$  is determined with an error of ±4°C.

**Table S2.** Data of TG/MS analysis for clathrates prepared by equilibration of dried bCD in binary systems with saturated guest vapors,  $T=25^{\circ}$ C.

Clathrate	$\Delta m, \%^{a}$	$T_{\max}^{\ \ b}$
bCD·4.1MeOH <sup>c</sup>	10.3	94
bCD·2.6 EtOH <sup>c</sup>	9.6 (4.3)	104; 202
bCD·2.1MeCN <sup>c</sup>	7.1	103
$bCD \cdot 2.0 MeNO_2$	9.8 (5.6)	84; 213
bCD·1.0(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CO <sup>c</sup>	5.2	121; 225
$bCD \cdot (\sim 1.7) HFIP^{d}$	16.6 (7.9) <sup>e</sup>	108; >250
bCD·6.5C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N	31.0	115

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>*a*</sup> total mass loss of guest; in brackets, mass loss is given on the second step of clathrate decomposition; <sup>*b*</sup>  $T_{\text{max}}$  is a temperature of guest peak on MS curve; <sup>*c*</sup> data from Ref. 1; <sup>*d*</sup> the guest content includes ~0.4 mol estimated from MS curve above the onset point of host thermal destruction,  $T_{onset}$ = 260°C, Figure S1; <sup>*e*</sup>  $\Delta m$  is mass loss below  $T_{onset}$ = 260°C.

Guest 2	Clathrate	$\Delta m, \ \%$	$T_{max}$ (Guest2), °C	<i>T<sub>max</sub></i> (THF), °C
MeOH	bCD·2.9MeOH	7.6	95	-
<i>i</i> -PrOH	bCD·1.1 <i>i</i> -PrOH·0.2THF·1.0H <sub>2</sub> O	8.1	215	217
<i>n</i> -BuOH	bCD·0.8THF·2.9H <sub>2</sub> O	8.7	-	240
MeCN	bCD·2.4MeCN	7.8	111	-
THF <sup>b</sup>	bCD·1.2THF·0.9H <sub>2</sub> O	8.2	-	241
cyclohexane	$bCD \cdot 0.9THF \cdot 1.3H_2O$	7.1	-	228

**Table S3.** Data of TG/MS analysis for bCD clathrates prepared by solid-phase exchange of THF in the initial bCD $\cdot$ 1.0THF $\cdot$ 1.0H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate for **Guest 2** at 25°C.<sup>*a*</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> Experimental procedures of THF exchange and preparation of the initial clathrate were described in Ref. 2.

 $^{b}$  product of additional THF inclusion by initial bCD  $\cdot 1.0 THF \cdot 1.0 H_{2}O$  clathrate.



**Figure S1.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD·(~1.7)HFIP clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with HFIP vapors ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



**Figure S2.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD $\cdot 0.3C_4H_8O$  clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with 2-butanone vapors ( $P/P_0 = 1$ ,  $T = 25^{\circ}C$ ).



**Figure S3.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD $\cdot$ 0.2CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with dichloromethane vapors (*P*/*P*<sub>0</sub> = 1, *T* = 25°C).



**Figure S4.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD $\cdot$ 0.5H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity *P*/*P*<sub>0</sub> = 0.10 (*T* = 25°C).



**Figure S5**. Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD $\cdot$ 2.2H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity *P*/*P*<sub>0</sub> = 0.20 (*T* = 25°C).



**Figure S6.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD·6.0H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity  $P/P_0 = 0.30$  ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



**Figure S7.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD·6.0H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity  $P/P_0 = 0.33$  ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



**Figure S8.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD  $\cdot$  8.5H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity *P*/*P*<sub>0</sub> = 0.60 (*T* = 25°C).



**Figure S9.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD·9.0H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity  $P/P_0 = 0.70$  ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



**Figure S10.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD·9.0H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate formed by saturation of dry bCD with water vapors at activity  $P/P_0 = 0.90$  ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



Figure S11. Anhydrous bCD.



**Figure S12.** Anhydrous bCD equilibrated with saturated ethanol vapor for 72 hours ( $P/P_0 = 1$ ,  $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



**Figure S13.** Anhydrous bCD equilibrated with pyridine vapor taken in 6:1 (Guest : Host) molar ratio for 72 hours ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



Figure S14. Anhydrous bCD equilibrated with saturated HFIP vapor for 72 hours ( $P/P_0=0.49$ ,  $T = 25^{\circ}$ C).



**Figure S15.** X-ray powder diffractograms of anhydrous bCD (a) and clathrates: (b)  $bCD \cdot 6.5C_5H_5N$ , (c)  $bCD \cdot (\sim 1.7)$ HFIP with addition of standard silicon powder SRM 640d.



**Figure S16.** X-ray powder diffractograms for bCD and its clathrates formed by equilibration of dried bCD in binary or ternary systems with guest vapors at various activities  $P/P_0$ : (a) dried bCD; (b) bCD·0.6MeOH at  $P/P_0=0.07$ ; (c) bCD·0.6MeCN at  $P/P_0=0.33$ ; (d) bCD·1.0Me<sub>2</sub>CO at  $P/P_0=1$ ; (e) bCD·3.8MeOH at  $P/P_0=0.29$ ; (f) bCD·2.0MeNO<sub>2</sub> at  $P/P_0=1$ ; (g) bCD·1.9MeCN·0.1C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> at  $P/P_0=0.48$  (MeCN) and  $P/P_0=0.06$  (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>); (h) bCD·2.1MeCN at  $P/P_0=1$ ; (i) bCD·2.6EtOH·0.2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> at  $P/P_0=0.69$  (EtOH) and  $P/P_0=0.04$  (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>); (g) bCD·2.6EtOH at  $P/P_0=1$ . Diffractograms a-e, g were determined with addition of standard silicon powder SRM 640d.



**Figure S17.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for the bCD·2.6EtOH·0.2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> clathrate prepared by simultaneous sorption of ethanol and benzene at constant benzene/ethanol molar ratio 1:14 ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C, ethanol activity  $P/P_0 = 0.68$ ). MS curve of ethanol has higher level at start due to ethanol evaporation from clathrate at temperature less than 30°C.



**Figure S18.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for bCD·2.2MeCN·0.1C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> clathrate prepared by simultaneous sorption of acetonitrile and benzene at constant benzene/acetonitrile molar ratio 1:15 ( $T = 25^{\circ}$ C, acetonitrile activity  $P/P_0 = 0.80$ ).



**Figure S19.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for clathrates prepared by ethanol exchange for: (a) water; (b) acetonitrile; (c) 1-propanol; (d) 2-propanol; (e) 1-butanol; (f) tetrahydrofuran.



**Figure S20.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for clathrates prepared by acetonitrile exchange for: (a) water; (b) methanol; (c) ethanol; (d) 1-butanol; (e) tetrahydrofuran; (f) benzene; (g) cyclohexane; (h) *n*-hexane.



**Figure S21.** Curves of simultaneous TG/MS analysis for clathrates prepared by THF exchange initial bCD $\cdot$ 1.0THF $\cdot$ 1.0H<sub>2</sub>O clathrate for: (a) methanol; (b) acetonitrile; (c) propanol-1; (d) butanol-1; (e) cyclohexane; (f) additional sorption of THF. Experimental procedure was described elsewhere.<sup>2</sup>

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