## **Supplementary Information for**

## Light responsive metal-organic frameworks as a controllable CO-releasing cell culture substrate

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**Figure S1.** Simulated PXRD of UiO-67 (black) and experimental UiO-67-bpy synthesized in the presence of 30 eqv (red) and 90 eqv (blue) of acetic acid as modulators.

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Sample	XRF	EDX
CORF-1_Small_Non	$39.6 \pm 0.9$	$42.0 \pm 4.5$
incubated <sup>*</sup>		
CORF-1_Small_79	$79.3 \pm 0.5$	$77.3 \pm 2.8$
CORF-1_Small_95	$95.1 \pm 1.4$	$90.3 \pm 7.0$
CORF-1 BIG 60	$60.1 \pm 1.4$	$59.3 \pm 6.1$

Table S1. Loading efficiency of the samples used in this study.

\*Sample prepared by directly heating at 90°C for 2 h a mixture of MnBr(CO)<sub>5</sub> and UiO-67. Error are obtained from the standard deviation of three replicates.



**Figure S2.** TGA analysis of UiO-67-bpy (black), **CORF-1\_small\_79** (blue), **CORF-1\_small\_95** (purple) and **CORF-1\_big\_60** (red). All CORF-1 samples show a two step decomposition process. The first one, between  $80^{\circ}$ C –  $160^{\circ}$ C, corresponds to the loss of CO molecules.<sup>1</sup> Decomposition of the framework starts at 400°C.

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Sample	Theoretical	weight	Experimental	weight		
	loss (%)		loss (%)			
CORF-1_Small_79	12.62		12.86			
CORF-1_Small_95	14.11		13.86			
CORF-1_BIG_60	10.31		11.37			

**Table S2**. Expected and experimental weight loss between 80 °C - 160 °C, attributed to the thermally induced release of CO, for the samples used in this study.



Figure S3. Simulated PXRD of UiO-67 (black) and experimental CORF-1\_big\_60 (red), CORF-1\_small\_79 (blue), CORF-1\_small\_95 (green).



**Figure S4.** Representative FESEM images of **CORF-1\_big\_60** (a), **CORF-1\_small\_79** (b), **CORF-1\_small\_95** (c). Scale bar 1 µm and 500 nm (inset a) and 100 nm (inset b and c).



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Figure S5. Representative TEM-EDX mapping of CORF-1\_big\_60 (a), CORF-1\_small\_79 (b), CORF-1\_small\_95 (c).



**Figure S6.** a) FTIR of UiO-67-bpy (black) and **CORF-1** (red). b) Solid state UV-VIS spectra of UiO-67-bpy (black) and **CORF-1** (red).



Figure S7. NMR of  $MnBr(dmbpy)(CO)_3$  in acetone-d<sup>6</sup>.



**Figure S8**. (a) FTIR spectra of  $MnBr(dmbpy)(CO)_3$  before (black) and after (red) irradiation at 460 nm for XX min. (b) UV-VIS spectra of  $MnBr(dmbpy)(CO)_3$  before (black) and after (red) irradiation at 460 nm for 90 min at 300 w of light power.



**Figure S9.** Changes in the UV-Vis spectra of a solution of MnBr(dmbpy)(CO)<sub>3</sub> (0.04 mM) in DMSO solvent upon irradiation at 460 nm. Legend indicates the irradiation time.



**Figure S10.** Myoglobin essay performed on **CORF-1\_big\_60**. Change of the adsorption of Q-band region of myoglobin with increased irradiation time at 460 nm for a suspension containing 100  $\mu$ g of **CORF-1\_big\_60** in PBS buffer (pH = 7.4) in the presence of myoglobin (60  $\mu$ M). Each spectra is taken after 30 s of irradiation



Figure S11. Customized in line CO detection system.



Figure S12. Time dependent amount of CO released to the gas phase per gram of CORF-1\_big\_60 (red), CORF-1\_small\_79 (blue), CORF-1\_small\_95 (orange).

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Scaffold	CO loading (mmol/g)	λ of CO release (nm)	CO release (mmol/g)	ref
Nanodimond	0.1	365	-	2
SiO <sub>2</sub> nanoparticle	0.273	365	0.18-0.27	3
Metallodendrimer	12.47-17.84	410	7.85 - 11.76	4
Protein cage	-	456	-	5
Mesoporous silica	1.13	Broad visible lght	-	6
<b>Polymeric fibers</b>	26.94	365	3.1-3.7	7
CORF-1_Small_79	4.70		4.66	This work

Table S3. Performance of relevant photoCORMAs



Figure S13. Simulated PXRD of UiO-67 and experimental CORF-1\_big\_60 (purple), CORF-1\_small\_79 (blue), CORF-1\_small\_95 (red) after photo releasing experiments.

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