Supporting Information

Capture of volatile iodine by newly prepared and characterized non-porous [Cu_nI_n]-based coordination polymers

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| (1a) | | | | | | | | |
|----------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| I1–Cu1 | 2.6162(10) | Cu1–I1–Cu1a | 73.58(3) | | | | | |
| I1–Cu1a | 2.7343(10) | Cu1–I1–Cu1c 66.25(3) | | | | | | |
| I1–Cu1c | 2.7310(10) | Cula–Il–Culc 106.84(3) | | | | | | |
| Cu1–N1 | 2.032(4) | I1-Cu1-N1 | 121.10(12) | | | | | |
| | | II–Cu1–I1a | 106.42(3) | | | | | |
| | | I1–Cu1–I1c | 113.76(3) | | | | | |
| | | Ila–Cul–Nl | 104.45(13) | | | | | |
| | | IIc-Cul-NI | 103.22(13) | | | | | |
| | (11 | Ila-Cul-Ilc | 106.84(3) | | | | | |
| Cu1 N2 | (1b) | | | | | | | |
| Cul-N3 | 2.033(2) | NI-Cul-INS | 124.20(9) 101.17(7) | | | | | |
| Cu1b_I1 | 2.0940(4) | II_Cu1_IIb | 101.17(7) 117.54(2) | | | | | |
| Cu1–N1 | 2.044(2) | II-Cu1-N1 | 100 92(6) | | | | | |
| Cur III | | II-Cu1-N3 | 107.99(7) | | | | | |
| | | I1b-Cu1-N1 | 106.15(6) | | | | | |
| | | Cu1-I1-Cu1b | 62.46(1) | | | | | |
| | (2 |) | | | | | | |
| Cu1–I1 | 2.7603(13) | N12d–Cu1–I2 | 109.82(8) | | | | | |
| Cu1–I2 | 2.6393(12) | N9-Cu2-I1 | 106.62(8) | | | | | |
| Cu1–N1 | 2.054(3) | N9-Cu2-I2 | 100.74(8) | | | | | |
| Cu1–N12d | 2.047(3) | N9-Cu2-N6 | 117.97(11) | | | | | |
| Cu2–I1 | 2.6421(12) | I1–Cu2–I2 115.76(2) | | | | | | |
| Cu2–I2 | 2.7429(13) | N19-Cu2-I1 | 114.39(8) | | | | | |
| Cu2–N6 | 2.054(3) | N19-Cu2-I2 | 100.85(8) | | | | | |
| Cu2–N9 | 2.056(3) | N16e-Cu3-N4a | 116.59(12) | | | | | |
| Cu3–I3 | 2.6303(12) | N16e-Cu3-I3 | 108.22(8) | | | | | |
| Cu3–I4 | 2.7645(13) | N16e-Cu3-I4 | 100.96(8) | | | | | |
| Cu3–N4a | 2.047(3) | N4a-Cu3-I3 | 108.89(8) | | | | | |
| Cu3–N16e | 2.043(3) | N21-Cu3-I4 | 103.80(9) | | | | | |
| Cu4–I3 | 2.7480(13) | I3–Cu3–I4 | 118.63(2) | | | | | |
| Cu4–I4 | 2.6622(12) | N8–Cu4–I3 | 101.33(8) | | | | | |
| Cu4–N8 | 2.051(3) | N8–Cu4–I4 | 103.51(8) | | | | | |
| Cu4-N13 | 2.053(3) | N8-Cu4-N13 | 119.76(11) | | | | | |

 Table S1. Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for coordination polymers 1-3.

| | | I3–Cu4–I4 118.10(2) | | | | |
|-------------|------------|---------------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| | | N13-Cu4-I3 | 100.72(9) | | | |
| N1–Cu1–I1 | 100.91(9) | N13-Cu4-I4 | 113.60(8) | | | |
| N1–Cu1–I2 | 108.32(8) | Cu1–I1–Cu2 | 64.34(2) | | | |
| N1-Cu1-N12d | 119.05(11) | Cu1–I2–Cu2 | 64.62(2) | | | |
| I1–Cu1–I2 | 115.25(2) | Cu3–I3–Cu4 | 61.93(2) | | | |
| N12d–Cu1–I1 | 103.46(9) | Cu3–I4–Cu4 61.33(2) | | | | |
| (3) | | | | | | |
| Cu1–N3 | 1.9938(18) | N1–Cu1–N3 | 115.18(7) | | | |
| Cu1–I1 | 2.5205(5) | N3–Cu1–I1 121.29(5) | | | | |
| Cu1–N1 | 1.9978(18) | I1–Cu1–N1 | 123.53(5) | | | |

Table S2. Dihedral angle between the pyrazolyl rings (°), N-to-N and Cu^{\dots}Cu separation (Å) for the bpmb linker ligands in the structure of **2**.

| Ligand color | Dihedral angle | N-to-N | Cu…Cu |
|--------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Red | 82.13 | 9.39 | 10.49 |
| Green | 88.56 | 8.97 | 9.41 |
| Blue | 88.43 | 9.12 | 9.96 |
| Yellow | 79.03 | 9.22 | 9.87 |







Figure S1. FT-IR spectra of compounds 1-3 before (red) and after (blue) iodine sorption.



Figure S2. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns for 2. Simulated from the single-crystal structure (black), experimental before (blue) and after (red) iodine sorption.



Figure S3. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns for **3**. Simulated from the single-crystal structure (black), experimental before (blue) and after (red) iodine sorption.

Compound 1a:







- a) Crystals of **1a.**
- b) Crystals of $1a-I_2$ obtained by exposition to iodine vapors for 7 h at 58 °C.
- c) Cracked crystals of 1a-I₂ at higher magnification. Direct microscopic observation show some transparent crystalline parts which is difficult to observe in photo.
- d) Crystals of iodine released $1a-I_2$ in DMF which show fluorescent emission under UV irradiation.
- e) Crystals of iodine released $1a-I_2$ re-exposed to iodine vapors. This iodine sorption test evidence the reversibility of the process.

Compound 1b:







(a)



(**d**)

a) Crystal of 1b.

- b) Crystal of $1b-I_2$ obtained by exposition to iodine vapors for 1 h at 58 °C at higher magnification.
- c) Cracked crystals of $1b-I_2$. Microscopic observation shows some residual crystalline parts at the center of the crystals evidenced by red circles in the picture.
- d) Crystals of $1b-I_2$ obtained by exposition to iodine vapors for 7 h at 58 °C. The crystals show an amorphous and spongy texture with some cracks on the surface.

Compound 2:



(a)









a) Crystals of **2**.

- b) Crystals of **2-I**₂ obtained by exposition to iodine vapors for 1 h at 58 °C, showing some residual crystalline parts.
- c) Crystal of $2-I_2$ obtained by exposition to iodine vapors for 7 h at 58 °C at higher magnification
- d) Cracked crystals of $2-I_2$ at higher magnification which show no interior crystalline part.

Compound 3:



(a)





a) Crystals of **3**.

- b) Crystals of **3-I₂** obtained by exposition of to iodine vapors for 1 h at 58 °C, showing some residual crystalline parts.
- c) Crystals of $3-I_2$ obtained by exposition to iodine vapors for 7 h at 58 °C.
- d) Cracked crystals of $3-I_2$ at higher magnification which show no interior crystalline part.
- e) Crystals of iodine released $3-I_2$ in DMF which show spongy texture.

Figure S4. Microscopic photos of 1-3 crystals during gaseous iodine sorption.



Figure S5. TGA curves for compounds 1-3 before (red) and after iodine sorption (blue).



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure S6. Visual detection of iodine release for $1a-I_2$ in cyclohexane, CCl₄, EtOH and DMF (left to right) after a) 2 min. b) 20 min and c) 40 min.



Figure S7. a) DMF solutions obtained by suspending compounds $(1-3)-I_2$ in pure DMF, b) Solid materials of compounds 1-3 (left to right) recovered from DMF solutions after iodine release.

Table S3.Sample weight, absorbance, iodine content and iodine percent for compounds 1-3, determinedby UV-Vis spectroscopy.

| Compound | Weight of sample (mg) | Solvent Volume (ml) | Times of Dilution | Absorbance | Iodine content (mg) | Iodine percent |
|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 1a-I ₂ | 9.2 | 10 | 5 | 1.078 | 1.73 | 23.0% |
| 1b-I ₂ | 7.2 | 10 | 5 | 1.798 | 2.63 | 57.7% |
| 2-I ₂ | 7.8 | 10 | 6.67 | 1.391 | 2.82 | 56.6% |
| 3-I ₂ | 7.9 | 10 | 16.67 | 0.619 | 3.82 | 93.6% |



Figure S8. a) UV-Vis absorption spectra of the diluted solution of released iodine and b) Calibration curve obtained from UV-Vis spectra of standard iodine solution.



Figure S9. View of iodine loaded (right) and iodine released (left) powders of **1a** before and after UV irradiation.