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A highly porous acylamide decorated MOF-505 analogue exhibiting large and selective CO₂ gas uptake capability

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Fig. S1 ¹H NMR spectrum of 3,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)boronic acid in DMSO- d_6 (a) and Dimethyl 4'-amino-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3,5-dicarboxylate in CDCl₃ (b).



Fig. S2 ¹H NMR spectrum of 3,5-bis(methoxycarbonyl)benzoic acid in DMSO- d_6 (a) and 4'-(3,5-dicarboxybenzamido)-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3,5-dicarboxylic acid (H₄DBBD, H₄L) in DMSO- d_6 (b).



Fig. S3 The infrared spectra for **HNUST-7**: (a) ligand, (b) as-synthesized, (c) acetoneexchanged and (d) activated MOF materials. Note the absence of the vibration frequencies of the solvent DMF and acetone molecules in activated samples. The frequencies at 1663 cm⁻¹ in (b) and 1706 cm⁻¹ in (c) attribute to the v (CO) vibration of the DMF and acetone, respectively. The presence of the v (OH) stretching frequencies at 1620 cm⁻¹ in both (c) and (d) may result from the rapid re-adsorption of trace moisture during the IR measurements.



Fig. S4 Photographic image of as-synthesized **HNUST-7** (A, the crystal size has been magnified about 80 times), and visual color change of **HNUST-7** upon activation (B).



Fig. S5 The comparison of structural geometry, size and coordination motif between organic linker DBBD in **HNSUT-7** and DCPI in **NJU-Bai43**.



Fig. S6 TGA data of as-synthesized and acetone-exchanged HNUST-7.



Fig. S8 The BET plots for **HNUST-7** in the chosen range $(P/P_0 = 0.002 - 0.04)$. This range was chosen according to two major criteria established in literatures^[1]: (1) The pressure range selected should have values of $Q(P_0-P)$ increasing with P/P_0 . (2) The *y* intercept of the linear region must be positive to yield a meaningful value of the C parameter, which should be greater than zero.



Fig. S9 Low- and high-pressure gas $(CO_2, CH_4 \text{ and } N_2)$ sorption isotherms of HNUST-7 at 298 K (filled symbols, adsorption; open symbols, desorption).



Fig. S10 The fitting initial slope for CO_2 , CH_4 and N_2 isotherms for HNUST-7 collected at 273 K and 298 K (N_{ads} = gases uptake; R = related coefficient).



Fig. S11 Details of virial equation (symbols) fitting to the experimental CO_2 and CH_4 adsorption data (solid lines) for **HNUST-7** collected at 273 K (blue) and 298 K (red).



Fig. S12 The CO_2 and CH_4 isosteric adsorption enthalpies of **HNUST-7** calculated from the adsorptions at two different temperatures up to 1 bar (298 K and 273 K) through the Virial method.

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