## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Two interpenetrated metal-organic frameworks with a slim ethynyl-based ligand: designed for selective gas adsorption and structural tuning

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Scheme S1. The synthesis of ligand  $H_4BTEB$ : (a) Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, CuI, PPh<sub>3</sub>, Et<sub>3</sub>N, THF/H<sub>2</sub>O, 70 °C, 48 h; and (b) NaOH, THF/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 70 °C, 24 h.



Fig. S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 2.



Fig. S2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of H<sub>4</sub>BTEB.



Fig. S3. CO<sub>2</sub> sorption isotherms at 195 K for BUT-43 (a) and BUT-44 (b).



Fig. S4. Pore size distributions evaluated by using the  $N_2$  adsorption data for BUT-43 (a) and BUT-44 (b).



Fig. S5. FT-IR spectra of H<sub>4</sub>BTEB and BUT-43.



Fig. S6. FT-IR spectra of H<sub>4</sub>BTEB and BUT-44.



Fig. S7. TGA curves of BUT-43.



Fig. S8. TGA curves of BUT-44.



**Fig. S9.** Topological network representations of the ligand BTEB<sup>4-</sup> (a), 4-connected Cu<sub>2</sub> cluster (b), and two-fold interpenetrated 4-connected network of BUT-43 (c).



Fig. S10. The slightly deformed Zr<sub>6</sub> cluster in BUT-44.



**Fig. S11.** Topological network representations of the ligand BTEB<sup>4-</sup> (a), Zr<sub>6</sub> cluster (b), and two-fold interpenetrated 4,8-connected network of BUT-44 (c).



**Fig. S12.**  $C_2H_2$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  adsorption isotherms recorded at 273 K for BUT-43 (a) and -44 (b); IAST  $C_2H_2/CH_4$  and  $C_2H_2/CO_2$  selectivities in BUT-43 (c) and BUT-44

(d) at 273 K.



Fig. S13. The isosteric heats of adsorption (Qst) of  $C_2H_2$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  in BUT-43 (a) and BUT-44 (b).



**Fig. S14.** C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> (a) CO<sub>2</sub> (b) CH<sub>4</sub> (c) adsorption isotherms of BUT-43 and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> (d) CO<sub>2</sub> (e) CH<sub>4</sub> (f) of BUT-44 measured at 273 and 298 K, and their Toth fits.



Fig. S15. C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> adsorption isotherms of BUT-43 at 273K (a) and 298 K (b) and of BUT-44 at 273K (c) and 298 K (d), and their single-site Langmuir-Freundlich isotherm fits.

Formula	$C_{42}H_{22}Cu_2O_{10}$
М	813.67
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>
<i>a/</i> Å	42.7196(15)
b/ Å	23.6272(18)
<i>c/</i> Å	21.5936(9)
α/ °	90
β/ °	120.317(4)
γ/ °	90
V/ Å <sup>3</sup>	18814.8(19)
Z	8
$D_{\rm C}/{ m g~cm^{-3}}$	0.575
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.756
<i>T</i> /K	100.01(10)
Reflections collected	30784
Independent reflections	14747 [ $R_{int} = 0.0970, R_{sigma} = 0.1321$ ]
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.040
$R_1^{a}, w R_2^{b} [I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0991, wR_2 = 0.2629$
$R_1^a$ , $wR_2^b$ (all data)	$R_1 = 0.1478, wR_2 = 0.2937$
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.61 / -0.63

 Table S1. The crystallographic data and structure refinement for BUT-43.

 $R_1^{a} = \Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$ 

 $wR_2^{b} = \{ \Sigma[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / [w(F_o^2)^2] \}^{1/2}, [F_o > 4\sigma(F_o)] \}$ 

Formula	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>26</sub> O <sub>16</sub> Zr <sub>3</sub>
М	1060.22
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	Стст
a∕ Å	25.068(5)
b/ Å	42.667(2)
<i>c/</i> Å	13.8078(11)
a/ °	90
β/°	90
γ/ °	90
$V/Å^3$	14768(3)
Ζ	8
$D_{\rm C}/{ m g~cm^{-3}}$	0.946
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	3.768
<i>T/</i> K	100.01(10)
Reflections collected	15455
Independent reflections	6978 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0755$ , $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0984$ ]
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	0.943
$R_1^{a}, wR_2^{b} [I > 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0711, wR_2 = 0.1909$
$R_1^{a}$ , $wR_2^{b}$ (all data)	$R_1 = 0.1010, wR_2 = 0.2160$
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å <sup>-3</sup> )	1.30 / -1.53

 Table S2. The crystallographic data and structure refinement for BUT-44.

 $R_1^{a} = \Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$ 

 $wR_2^{b} = \{\Sigma[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / [w(F_o^2)^2]\}^{1/2}, [F_o > 4\sigma(F_o)]$