

Supplementary Information

**Synthesis of modulator-driven highly stable zirconium-fumarate frameworks
and their mechanistic investigations for the adsorption of arsenite and
arsenate from aqueous solutions**

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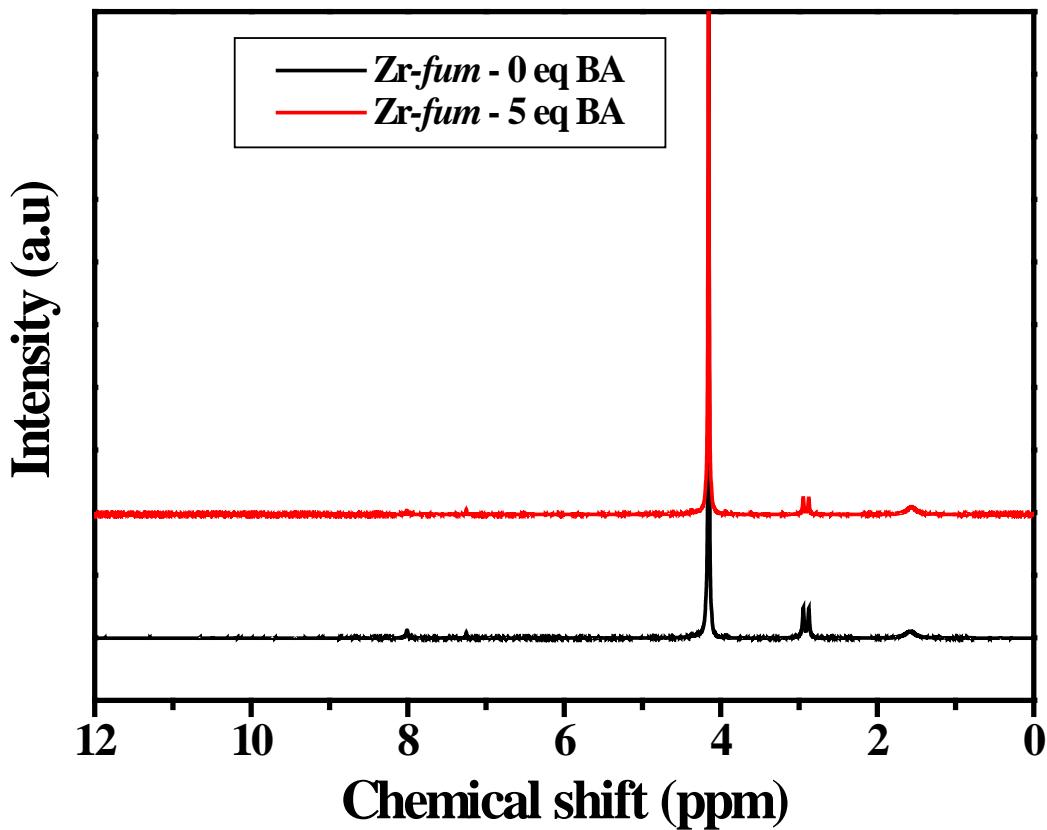


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectra of Zr-fum MOF of 0 eq BA and 5 eq BA as ferrocene as reference.

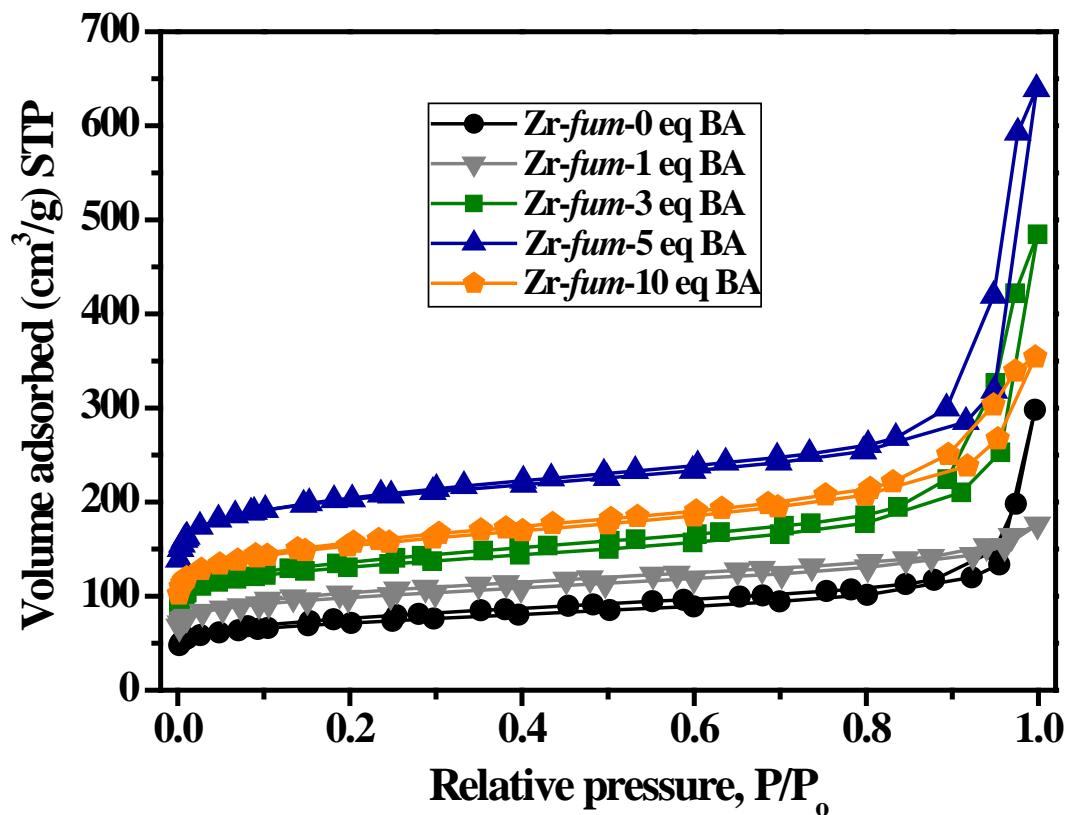


Figure S2. Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms of the synthesized products under liquid nitrogen at 77 K.

Table S1. Physicochemical analysis of synthesized materials

Materials	BET SSA (m^2/g)	Pore volume (cm^3/g)	Avg. Pore size (nm)
Zr-fum-0 eq BA	260.4	0.357	3.358
Zr-fum-1 eq BA	363.2	0.120	3.354
Zr-fum-3 eq BA	483.9	0.569	3.058
Zr-fum-5 eq BA	760.1	0.700	3.352
Zr-fum-10 eq BA	566.1	0.334	3.288

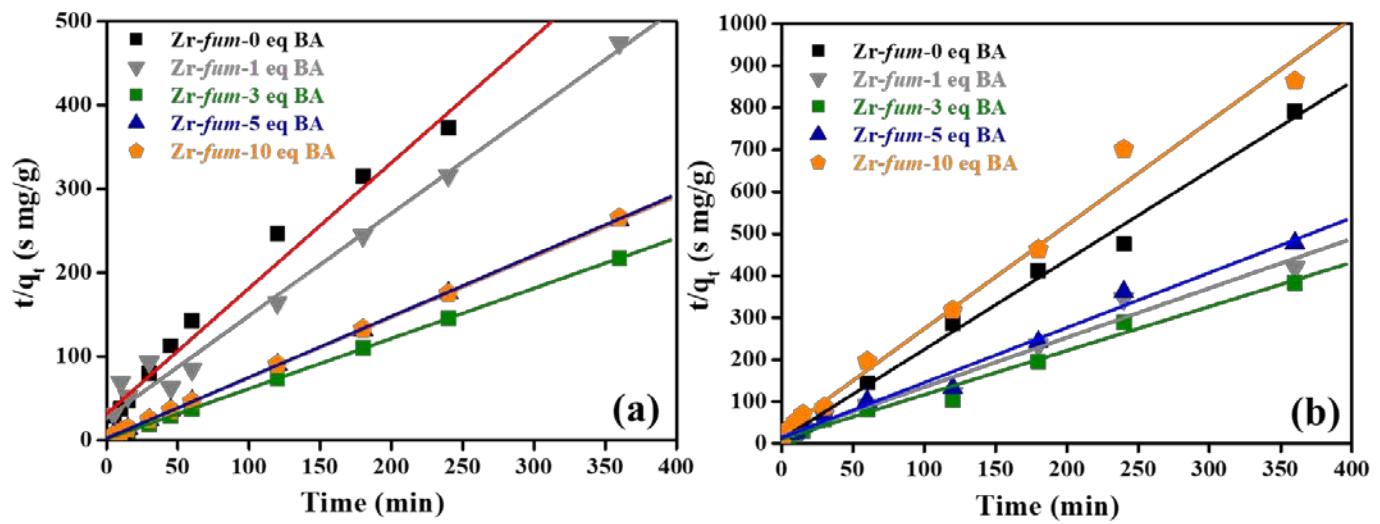


Figure S3. Pseudo-second-order kinetic models of **(a)** AsO_4^{3-} and **(b)** AsO_3^{3-} adsorption onto Zr-fum-0 eq BA, Zr-fum-1 eq BA, Zr-fum-3 eq BA, Zr-fum-5 eq BA and Zr-fum-10 eq BA. Experimental conditions: Initial conc. = 2 mM AsO_4^{3-} and 1.6 mM AsO_3^{3-} , dose ratio = 1 g/L, agitation = 100 rpm, temp = 25 °C.

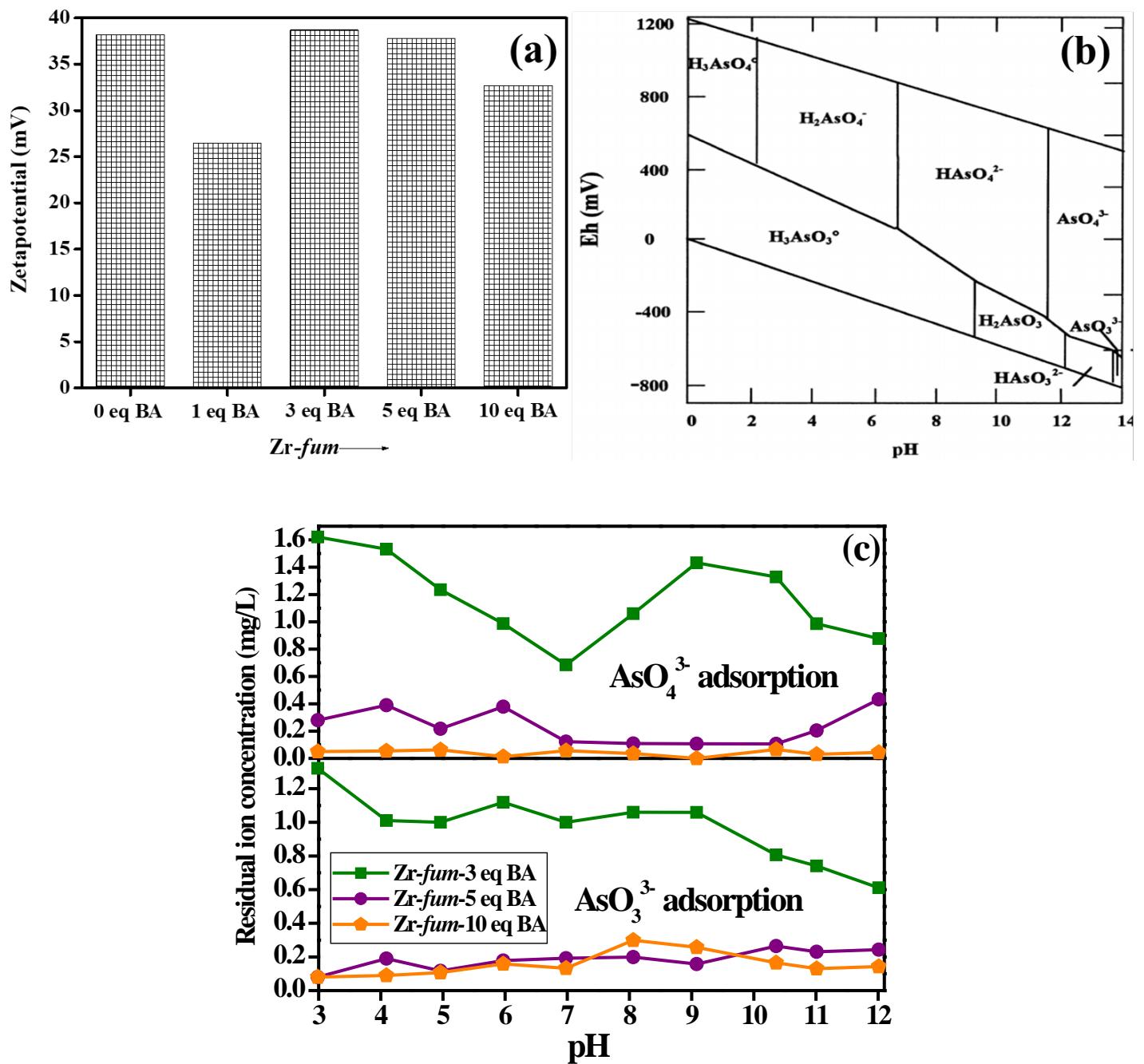


Figure S4. (a) Zeta potential at pH 6.8 and (b) Eh-pH diagram of the arsenic species and (c) residual ion concentration of Zr-fum-3 eq BA, Zr-fum-5 eq BA and Zr-fum-10 eq BA.

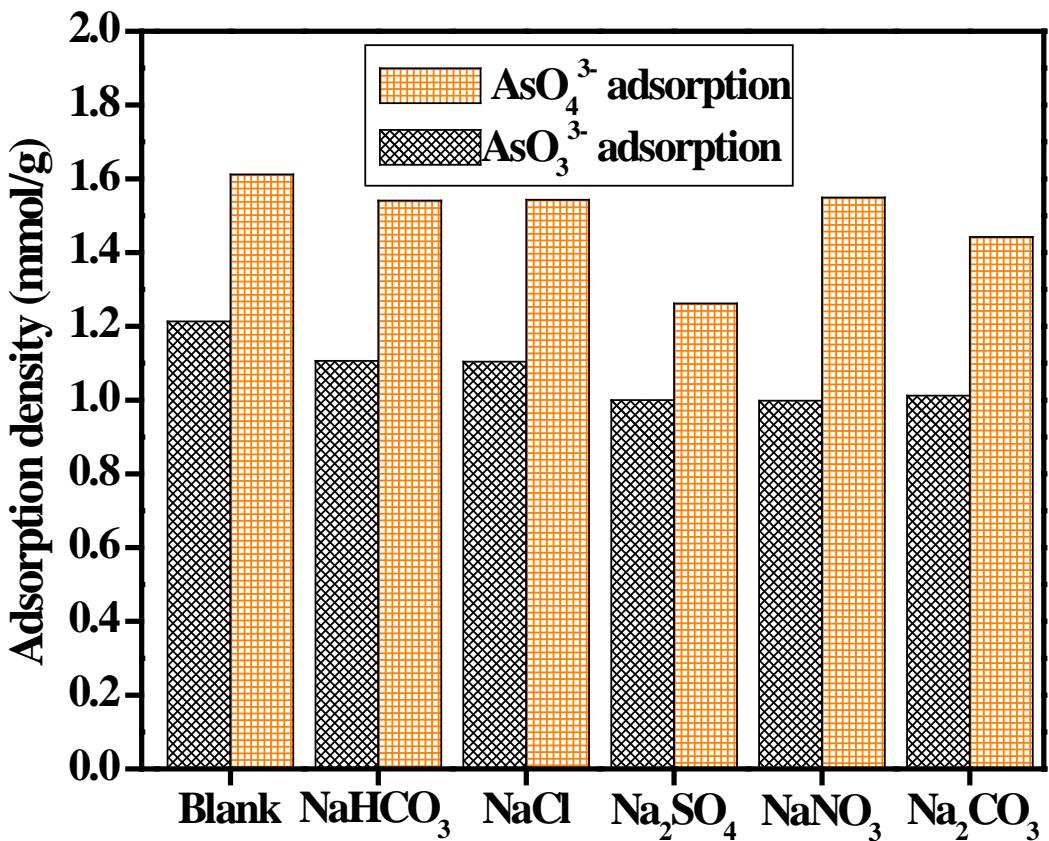


Figure S5. Effect of coexisting anions on synthesized Zr-*fum*-5 eq BA MOFs.

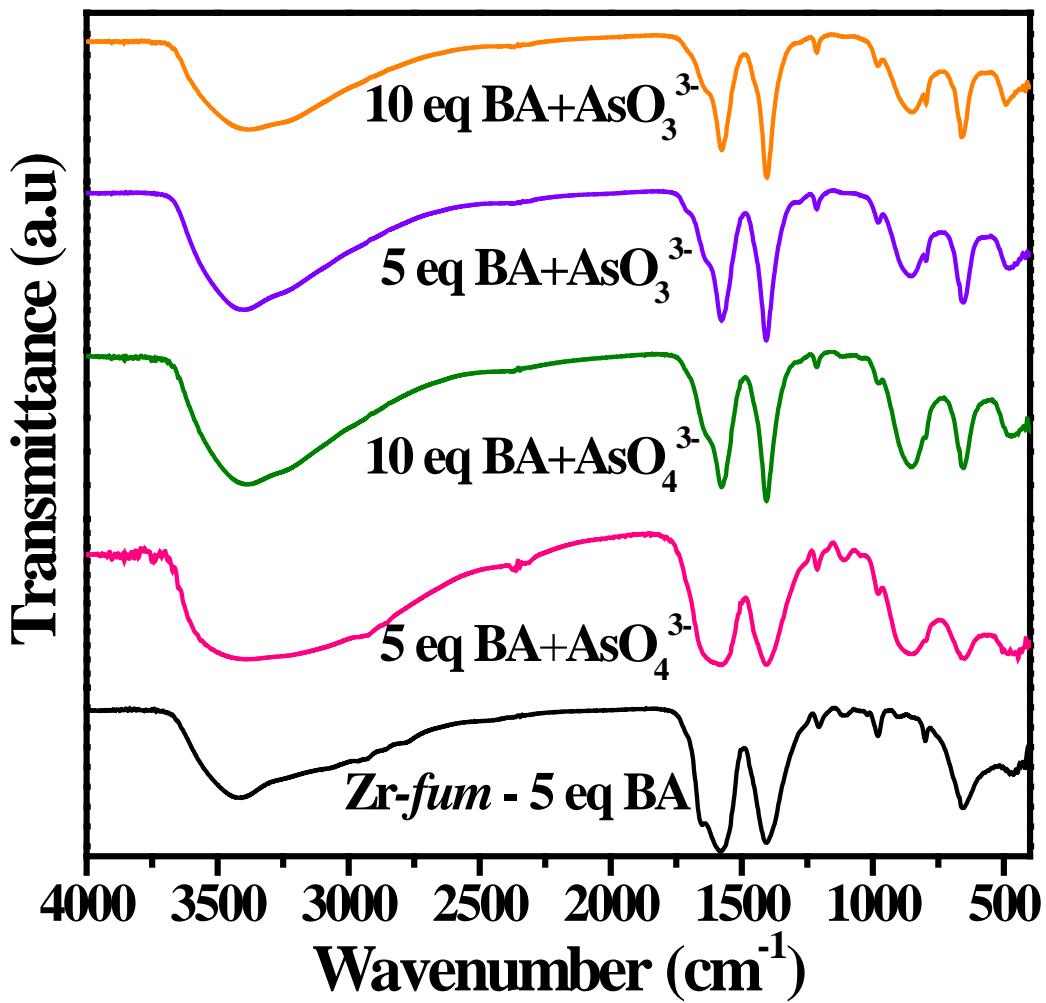


Figure S6. FTIR spectra of after adsorption of AsO₄³⁻ and AsO₃³⁻ using Zr-fum-5 eq BA and Zr-fum-10eq BA.

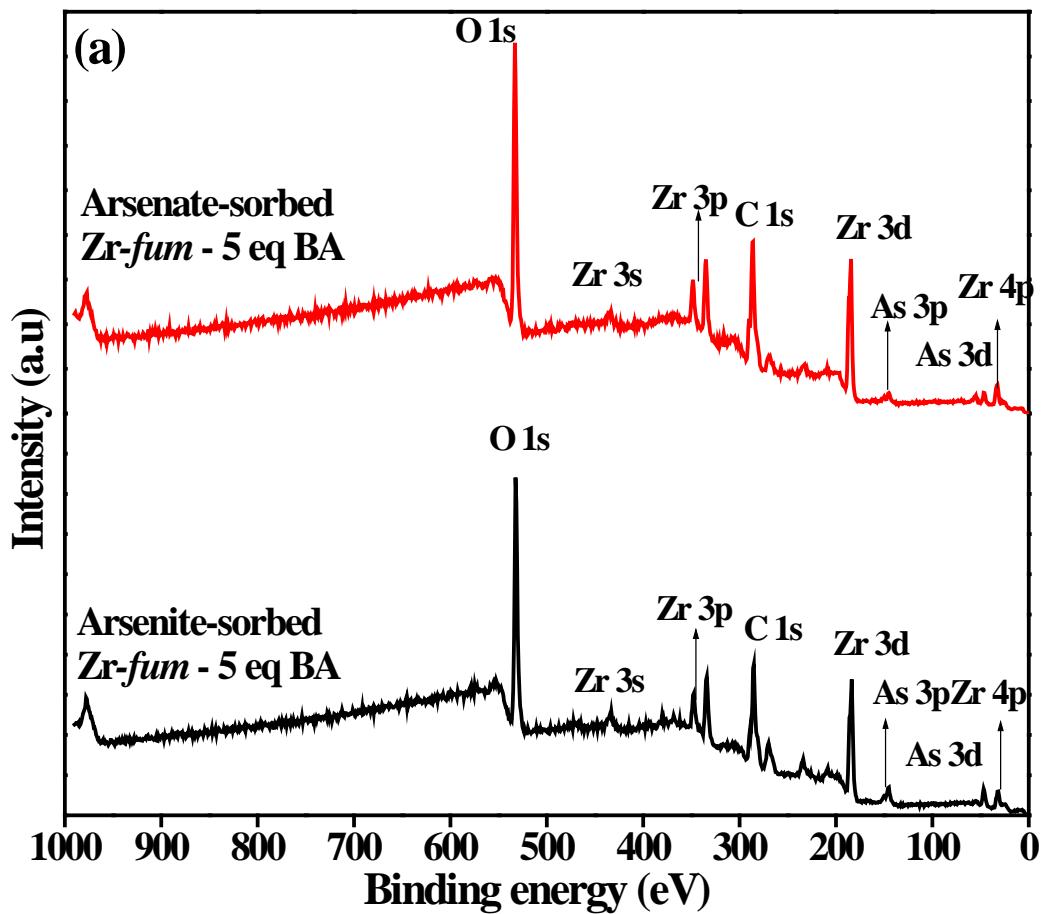


Figure S7. XPS spectra of after adsorption of AsO_4^{3-} and AsO_3^{3-} on Zr-fum-5 eq BA

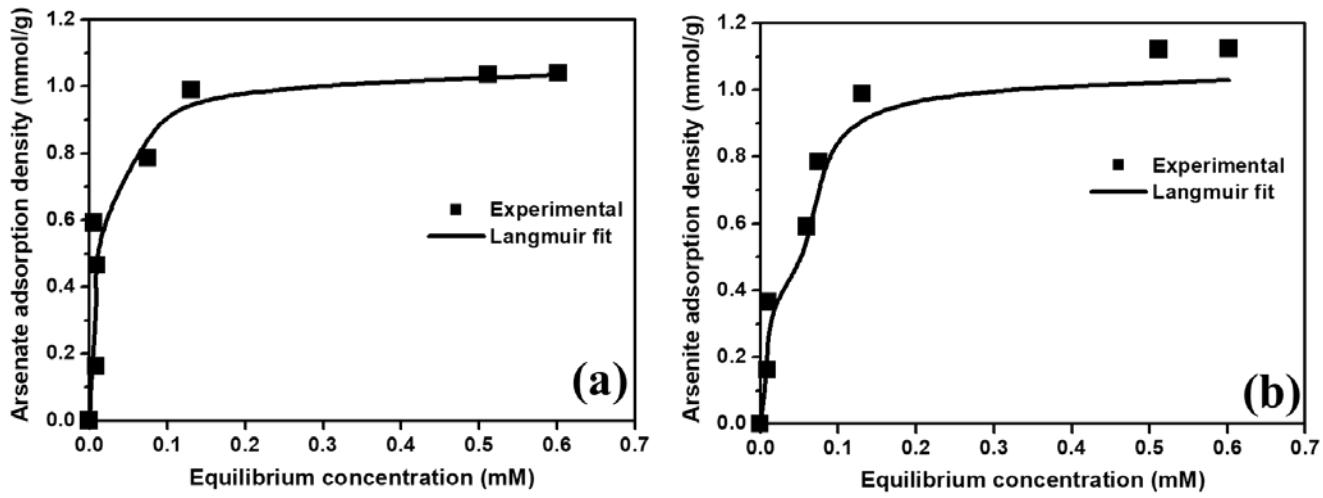


Figure S8. Langmuir adsorption isotherm for Zr-*fum*-5 eq BA MOF (a) AsO_4^{3-} and (b) AsO_3^{3-} adsorption.