# **Supporting Information**

## Two polyoxovanadate-based metal-organic polyhedra with

## "near-miss Johnson solid" geometry

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#### 1. Materials and Methods

All chemical reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. PXRD patterns were recorded ranging from 5° to 50° at room temperature on a Siemens D5005 diffractometer with Cu K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda$  = 1.5418 Å). Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of the samples was performed using a PerkinElmer TG-7 analyzer heated from 25 °C to 800 °C at the heating rate of 10 °C·min<sup>-1</sup> under a dry nitrogen flow. Elemental analyses (CHN) were conducted on a PerkinElmer 2400 CHN Elemental analyzer. The FT-IR spectra were measured on an Alpha Centaurt FT/IR spectrophotometer in the range 4000–400 cm<sup>-1</sup> using KBr pellets. Variable temperature magnetic susceptibility data were obtained in the temperature range of 2–300 K using a SQUID magnetometer (Quantum Design, MPMS-5) with an applied field of 1000 Oe.

#### 2. Synthesisand Characterization

#### (1) Synthesis of VMOP-27:

VOSO<sub>4</sub>'xH<sub>2</sub>O (0.03 g), NbCl<sub>5</sub> (0.01 g) and 1,3,5-Benzenetricarboxylic acid (0.025 g) in 2 ml DMF (*N*,*N*-Dimethylformamide), 0.3 ml CH<sub>3</sub>OH (methanol) and 0.2mL CH<sub>3</sub>CN (acetonitrile) were placed in a Parr Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel heated to 130 °C and held at this temperature for 2 days. After slow cooling to room temperature, green crystals were obtained (washed with CH<sub>3</sub>OH) with a yield of 30% based on H<sub>3</sub>BTC. Elemental analysis (%) cacld: C, 24.10; H, 3.32; N, 5.02. Found: C, 23.79; H, 2.87; N, 4.35. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3444 (br), 3032 (w), 2778 (w), 1617 (s), 1566(s), 1447 (s), 1390 (vs), 1110 (m), 1009 (m), 980 (s), 759 (s), 720 (s), 635 (s), 502 (m).

(2) Synthesis of VMOP-28:

VOSO<sub>4</sub>·xH<sub>2</sub>O (0.02 g), Na<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub> (0.01 g) and 1,3,5-Benzenetricarboxylic acid (0.02 g) in 2 ml DMF (*N*,*N*-Dimethylformamide), 0.5 ml CH<sub>3</sub>OH (methanol) and a drop of hydrochloric acid were placed in a Parr Teflon-lined stainless steel vessel heated to 130 °C and held at this temperature for 2 days. After slow cooling to room temperature, green crystals were obtained (washed with CH<sub>3</sub>OH) with a yield of 50% based on H<sub>3</sub>BTC. Elemental analysis (%) cacld: C, 22.41; H, 2.75; N, 4.02. Found: C, 21.58; H, 2.94; N, 4.31. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3027(m), 2779(m), 2457(w), 1657(m), 1612(s), 1561(s), 1445(s), 1386(s), 1105(m), 975(m), 800(w), 754(m), 716(m), 632(m), 578(m), 490(m).

Supplement: In the synthesis of VMOP-27 and VMOP-28, we had tried some different vanadium source, such as NaVO<sub>3</sub>, Na<sub>3</sub>VO<sub>4</sub>, NH<sub>4</sub>VO<sub>3</sub>, VCl<sub>3</sub> and V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, but they are not good for the synthesis metal-organic polyhedra.

Empirical formula	$C_{168}H_{276}Cl_4N_{30}Nb_4O_{180}S_7V_{40}\\$
Formula weight	8371.63
Crystal system	Tetragonal
Space group	I-42m
Temperature	273 (2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Unit-cell dimensions	a = b = 21.854 (3) Å,
	c = 44.273 (6) Å
	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^{\circ}$
Volume	21145 (6) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z	2
Density (calculated)	1.315 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	1.077 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	8396
Limiting indices	-26<=h<=26, -25<=k<=26, -51<=l<=52
Theta range for data collection	2.948 to 25.109 °
Reflections collected	54581
Independent reflections	7098 [R(int) = 0.0957]
Completeness to theta = $25.00^{\circ}$	99 %
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	9693 / 1094 / 487

Table S1. Crystallographic data for VMOP-27.

Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.009
Final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0647, wR2 = 0.1754
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0957, wR2 = 0.1979
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.761 and -1.994 eA <sup>-3</sup>
${}^{a}R_{1} = \Sigma   F_{o}  -  F_{c}   / \Sigma  F_{o} ; {}^{b}wR_{2} = \{\Sigma [w(R_{o})] \}$	$F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 ] / \Sigma [w(F_o^2)^2] \}^{1/2}$

Table S2.	Crystallogr	aphic data	for	VMOP-28.
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Empirical formula	$C_{156}H_{228}Cl_4N_{24}O_{176}S_6V_{40}W_4$
Formula weight	8362.77
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>
Temperature	296 (2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Unit-cell dimensions	a = 41.892 (5) Å, b = 21.947 (2) Å, c =46.700
	(5) Å
	$\alpha = \gamma = 90^{\circ}, \beta = 103.267 (4)^{\circ}$
Volume	41791 (8) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.329 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	2.072 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	16480
Limiting indices	-48<=h<=49, -25<=k<=26, -55<=l<=55
Theta range for data collection	2.176-25.136°
Reflections collected	105495
Independent reflections	26809 [R(int) = 0.0551]
Completeness to theta = $25.00^{\circ}$	98.5 %
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	36825 / 1638/ 1761
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.018
Final R indices [I > 2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0612, $wR2 = 0.1640$
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0883, $wR2 = 0.1853$
Largest diff. peak and hole	2.571 and -3.366 eA <sup>-3</sup>
$aR_1 = \Sigma   F_o  -  F_c   / \Sigma  F_o ; bWR_2 = \{ \Sigma [W(F_o)] \}$	$\sum_{n=1}^{2} - \frac{F_{n}^{2}}{2} \frac{2}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$

**Table S3.** BVS results for the vanadium and niobium atoms in  $[NbV_5O_6(\mu_3-O)_5(SO_4)(COO)_5]^{4-}$ .

Atom	BVS calc. for V
V1	3.910
V2	4.033
V3	3.804
V4	3.937

V5	4.122	
Atom	BVS calc. for Nb	
Nb	5.119	

Table S4. BVS results for the vanadium and tungsten atoms in  $[WV_5O_6(\mu_3-O)_5(SO_4)(COO)_5]^{3-}$ .

Atom	BVS calc. for V
V1	4.267
V2	4.243
V3	4.087
V4	4.117
V5	4.091
Atom	BVS calc. for W
W	6.060

Table S5. The structural analysis of SP-38.

Name	Kinds of SBUs	Vertices
SP-38	$\begin{array}{c}3\\3\\-3\\3\\3\\3\\3\\3\\3\\3\\5\\5\\4\\4\\4\\A\\B\\C\\D\end{array}$	4

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Name	Faces	Edges	Edge and dihedral	Vertices	Group
			angles		
SP-38	2•6 {3}	12•3 <3•4>	172°14′35″/172°45′04″/1	4•4 (3•4 <sup>3</sup> )	[2, 4]+
	2+4•3+4+4 {4}		66°27′14″/167°3′54″/151°	4+8•2	$D_2$
	4 {5}		47'56"/154°28'30"/154°1	(3•4•5•4)	
			4'28"/150°35'20"/150°34'		
			23"/143°4'34"/148°45'58"		
			/149°54"/141°32"/149°28'		
			37"/140°51'29"/137°44'3		
			8"/139°41'06"/137°23'28"		
		<i>4</i> •4 <4•4>	141°5′10″/141°41′42″/13		
			3°20′46″/138°56′53″/139°		
			49'23"/133°30'32"/129°1'		

	26"/129°28'12"	
4•5 <4•5>	158°18′29″/156°34′48″/1	
	50°20'49"/156°35'53"/14	
	4°53′49″/148°54′07″/144°	
	23'24"/130°31'19"/135°2	
	6'02"/132°56'46"/136°22'	
	30″	

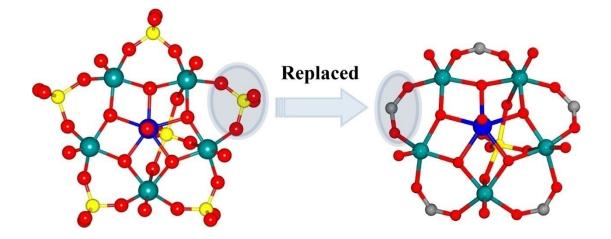
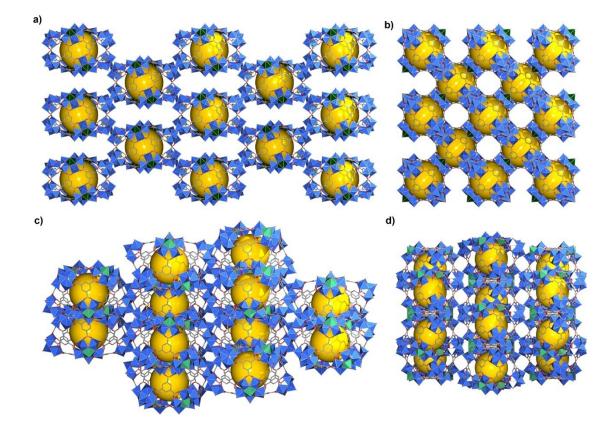


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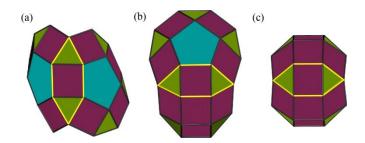


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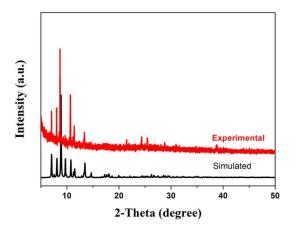


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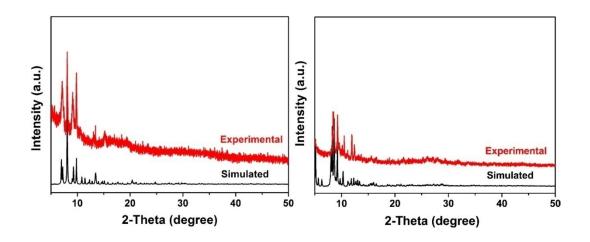


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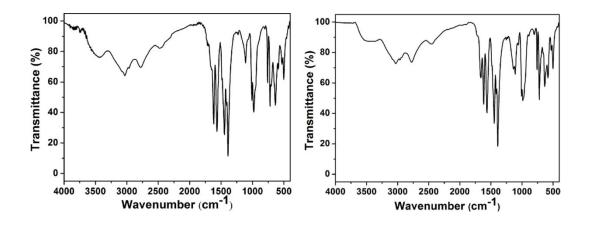


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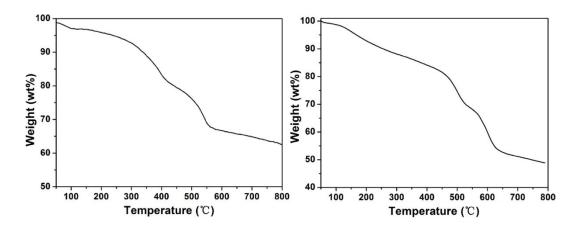
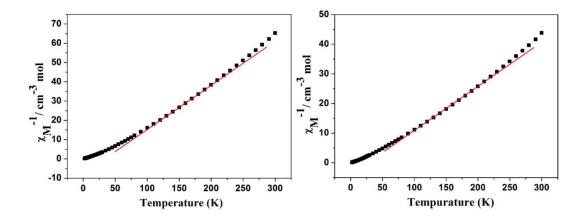


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