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### SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

# Syntheses and magnetic properties of high dimensional

## cucurbit[6]uril-based metal organic rotaxane frameworks

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### **Experimental Section**

#### Materials and Physical Measurements.

[PR43]<sup>2+</sup>·2[NO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>-</sup> and CB[6] were synthesized according to the references.<sup>1,2</sup> Other purchased chemicals reagents were used without any further purification. The IR spectra were recorded from KBr pellets in the range of 4000-400 cm<sup>-1</sup> on a Mattson Alpha-Centauri spectrometer. Elemental analyses (C, H, and N) were performed on a PerkinElmer 2400 elemental analyzer. Elemental Co contents of compounds 1-3 were determined using an ICP-9000 (N+M) (USA Thermo Jarrell-Ash Corp). Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed on a PerkinElmer TG-7 analyzer over the temperature 20-800 °C in a nitrogengas atmosphere with a heating rate of 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. 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. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy analyses were performed on a VG ESCALABMKII spectrometer with an Al-Ka (1486.6 eV) achromatic X-ray source. Powder X-ray diffraction (XRD) measurements were recorded on a Rigaku Smart Lab with Cu-K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 1.5418$  Å) radiation in the range 5-50°. Xray diffraction data collection of the compounds was performed using a Bruker Smart Apex II CCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-Ka radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å) at room temperature. All absorption corrections were performed by using the SADABS program. The formulas of compounds 1 and 2 were determined by the combination of elemental analysis, TGA data and the crystallographic data. The water is randomly disordered in compound 3 and the formula of compound 3 was determined by the combination of elemental analysis, TGA data and the SQUEEZE results. The crystallographic data of compound 1-3 have been deposited in the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center as supplementary publication with CCDC: 1909151, 1909152, 1909153.

#### Preparation of [Co<sub>2</sub>(PR43)(BDC)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]·4H<sub>2</sub>O (1).

A mixture of CoCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (19.0 mg, 0.08 mmol), [PR43]<sup>2+</sup>·2[NO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>-</sup> (55.7 mg, 0.04 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>BDC (9.97 mg, 0.06 mmol), 3 drops of triethylamine (where a 1 ml injection syringe is used) and 4 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was stirred for 30 min, and then transferred and sealed in a 18 mL Teflon-lined stainless steel container, which is heated at 140 °C for 72h. Block purple crystals of 1 suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained, washed with distilled water, and dried in air. Yield: 40.6% based [PR43]. Elemental on analysis calc. for C<sub>68</sub>H<sub>76</sub>Co<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>28</sub>O<sub>24</sub>. (%): C 43.94, Co 6.34, H 4.12, N 21.10; Found: C 44.76, Co 6.21, H 3.94, N 21.62.

#### Preparation of [Co<sub>2</sub>(PR43)(BTC)<sub>2</sub>]·6H<sub>2</sub>O (2).

**2** was synthesized by a procedure similar to that was used for **1** with H<sub>3</sub>BTC (10.5 mg, 0.05 mmol) instead of H<sub>2</sub>BDC. Yield: 36.4% based on [PR43]. Elemental analysis calc. for  $C_{70}H_{80}Co_2N_{28}O_{31}$ . (%): C 43.62, Co 6.12, H 4.18, N 20.35; Found: C 44.56, Co 5.98, H 4.06, N 20.54.

#### Preparation of [Co<sub>2</sub>(PR43)(BPT)<sub>2</sub>]·20H<sub>2</sub>O (3).

**3** was synthesized by a procedure similar to that was used for **1** with H<sub>3</sub>BPT (14.3 mg, 0.05 mmol) instead of H<sub>2</sub>BDC. Yield: 43.6% based on [PR43]. Elemental analysis calc. for  $C_{82}H_{114}Co_2N_{28}O_{44}$ . (%): C 42.57, Co 5.09, H 4.97, N 16.95; Found: C 42.31, Co 5.21, H 5.08, N 16.73.

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Empirical formula	$[Co_2(PR43)(BDC)_2Cl_2] \cdot 4H_2O$	[Co <sub>2</sub> (PR43)(BTC) <sub>2</sub> ]·6H <sub>2</sub> O	[Co <sub>2</sub> (PR43)(BPT) <sub>2</sub> ]·20H <sub>2</sub> O
Mr	1858.32	1927.48	2313.86
T/K	293(2)	293(2)	293(2)
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic
Space group	$P2_{l}/c$	Pbca	$P2_{l}/n$
a/Å	14.256(5)	19.034(5)	13.868(5)
$b/\AA$	19.149(5)	14.409(5)	14.824(5)
$c/\AA$	14.830(5)	27.801(5)	25.364(5)
α (°)	90.000(5)	90	90.000(5)
β (°)	110.087(5)	90	92.949(5)
γ (°)	90.000(5)	90	90.000(5)
$V/\AA^3$	3802(2)	7625(4)	5207(3)
Ζ	2	4	2
<i>Dc</i> /mg m <sup>-3</sup>	1.623	1.679	1.476
$\mu/\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$	0.607	0.547	0.423
measured reflections	38328	16951	41404
Independent reflections	9304	6476	9162
data/restraints/parameter s	9304/24/577	6476/21/595	9162/1/613
goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.043	1.138	1.086
$R_1^a \left[I > 2\sigma(I)\right]$	0.0406	0.1019	0.0521
$wR_{2^{b}}$ (all data)	0.1137	0.2386	0.1716
${}^{a}R_{1} = \sum (  F_{o}  -  F_{c}  ) / \sum  F_{o} . {}^{b}wR_{2} = [\sum w( F_{o} ^{2} -  F_{c} ^{2})^{2} / \sum w(F_{o}^{2})]^{1/2}.$			



Fig. S1 The coordination environment of H<sub>2</sub>BDC, H<sub>3</sub>BTC and H<sub>3</sub>BPT.



Fig. S2 The chemical views of the one dimensional chain in 1.



Fig. S3 The 3D supramolecular architectures as viewed along the *b* axis in 1.



Fig. S4 The 3D frameworks as viewed along the *a* axis in 2. Hydrogen atoms are omitted.



Fig. S5 The 3D frameworks as viewed along the c axis in 3. Hydrogen atoms are omitted.



Fig. S6 The IR spectrum of compound 1,  $H_2BDC$  and  $[PR43]^{2+2}[NO_3]^{-1}$ .



Fig. S7 The IR spectrum of compound 2, H<sub>3</sub>BTC and [PR43]<sup>2+</sup>·2[NO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>-</sup>.



Fig. S8 The IR spectrum of compound 3, H<sub>3</sub>BPT and [PR43]<sup>2+.</sup>2[NO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>-</sup>.



Fig. S9 PXRD patterns for compound 1 and simulated spectra of compound 1 from single crystal data.



Fig. S10 PXRD patterns for compound 2 and simulated spectra of compound 2 from single crystal data.



Fig. S11 PXRD patterns for compound 3 and simulated spectra of compound 3 from single crystal data.



Fig. S12 Thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA) curves for as-synthesized compound 1.



Fig. S13 Thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA) curves for as-synthesized compound 2.



Fig. S14 Thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA) curves for as-synthesized compound 3.



Fig. S15 XPS spectra of compound 1 give one peak at 780.3 eV, which can be ascribed to  $Co^{II}\,2p_{3/2}.^3$ 



Fig. S16 XPS spectra of compound 2 give one peak at 780.7 eV, which can be ascribed to  $\mathrm{Co^{II}}\,2p_{3/2}.^3$ 



Fig. S17 XPS spectra of compound 3 give one peak at 780.6 eV, which can be ascribed to  $Co^{II} 2p_{3/2}$ .<sup>3</sup>

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