

Supplemental Information

Structural Diversity through Ligand Flexibility: Two Novel Metal-Organic Nets *via* Ligand-to-Ligand Cross-Linking of “Paddlewheels”

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Experimental Sections

The X-ray diffraction data were collected using Bruker-AXS SMART-APEXII CCD diffractometer (CuK α , $\lambda = 1.54178 \text{ \AA}$). Indexing was performed using APEX2¹ (Difference Vectors method). Data integration and reduction were performed using SaintPlus 6.01.² Absorption correction was performed by multi-scan method implemented in SADABS.³ Space groups were determined using XPREP implemented in APEX2.¹ The structure was solved using SHELXS-97 and refined using SHELXL-97 contained in APEX2¹ and WinGX v1.70.01^{4,5,6} programs packages. Hydrogen atoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions or found in the Fourier difference map and included in the refinement process using riding model. The crystal **2** was a racemic twin (two crystals were checked). Crystal structure of **1** was refined by using restraints and with isotropic displacement parameters for sixteen atoms. Low angle diffraction only (Theta = 50.43 deg) and significant disorder of the ligand was observed in this case. For both structures the contribution of disordered solvent molecules was treated as a diffuse using Squeeze procedure implemented in Platon program.^{7,8}

All the reagents and solvents, unless described otherwise, were commercially available and used as received. ¹H-NMR data were collected on a Bruker DRX 250-MHz spectrometer. FT-IR data were recorded on a Nicolet AVATAR 320 FT-IR instrument. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed on a Perkin Elmer STA6000 instrument under nitrogen

atmosphere (20mL/min). The sample was heated at a constant rate of 10°C/min from 30°C to 800°C. Powder X-ray diffraction was performed on a Bruker D8 Advance, $\theta/2\theta$ diffractometer using Cu- $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda=1.54178\text{\AA}$) at room temperature. The experimental parameters included a scan speed of 3°/h and a step size of 0.05° with respect to 2θ . The data was collected over the range of 3-40° with respect to 2θ and was analyzed using the EVA software suite.

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Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for complex **1** and **2**.

	Complex 1	Complex 2
Empirical formula	C ₆₂ H ₅₁ Cu ₆ NO ₃₅	C ₅₇ H ₄₈ Cu ₆ O ₃₆
Formula weight	1751.28	1690.19
Temperature	100(2)K	100(2)K
Crystal System	Orthorhombic	Hexagonal
Space Group	Pnma	P6 ₃ 22
Unit Cell Dimensions	a = 34.3624(13) Å b = 18.6807(7) Å c = 25.8757(9) Å α = β = γ = 90°	a = b = 18.5773(3) Å c = 22.6933(5) Å α = β = 90° γ = 120°
Volume	16610.0(11) Å ³	6782.6(2) Å ³
Z	4	2
Density	0.700 Mg/m ³	0.828 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	1.186 mm ⁻¹	1.443 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	3536	1704
Crystal Size	0.15 × 0.10 × 0.07 mm	0.20 × 0.15 × 0.04 mm
Theta range for data collection	2.14 to 50.43 deg.	2.75 to 67.08 deg.
Reflections collected	31349	49779
Independent reflections	9036 [R(int) = 0.0728]	4033 [R(int) = 0.1095]
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Max. and min. transmission	0.9216 and 0.8422	0.9446 and 0.7613
Data / restraints / parameters	9036 / 86 / 398	4033 / 0 / 150
GOF on F ²	1.090	0.985
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R ₁ = 0.0881, wR ₂ = 0.2230	R ₁ = 0.0328, wR ₂ = 0.0775
R indices (all data)	R ₁ = 0.1447, wR ₂ = 0.2456	R ₁ = 0.0398, wR ₂ = 0.0798
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.546 / -0.550 e Å ⁻³	0.186 / -0.310 e. Å ⁻³

Additional Figures

Figure S1. Experimental and calculated X-ray diffraction patterns for complex **1**, indicating the phase purity of the as-synthesized product.

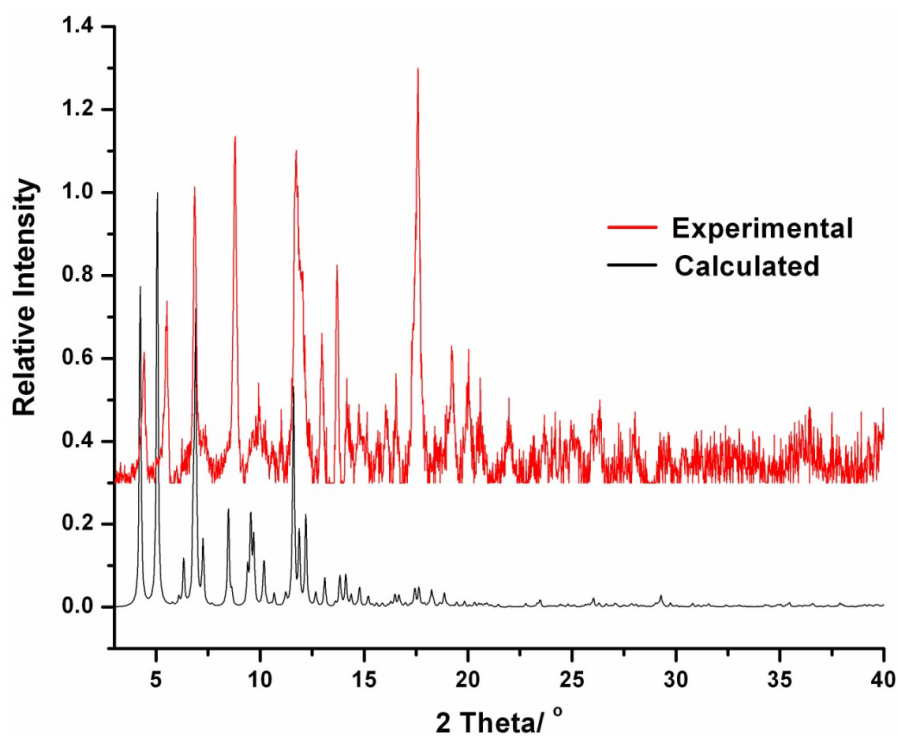


Figure S2. Two kinds of conformation of the ligand **L** in **1**: **La** (left) and **Lb** (right).

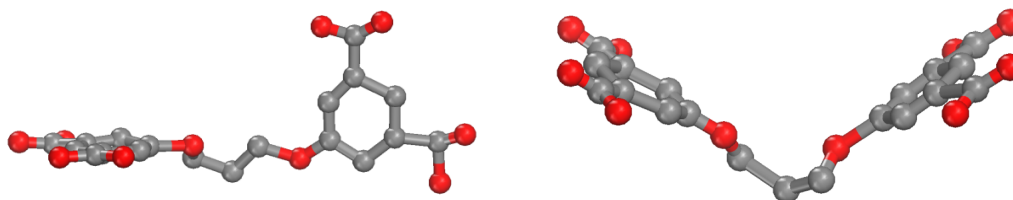


Figure S3. The cavities in **1** viewed along *a*-axis.

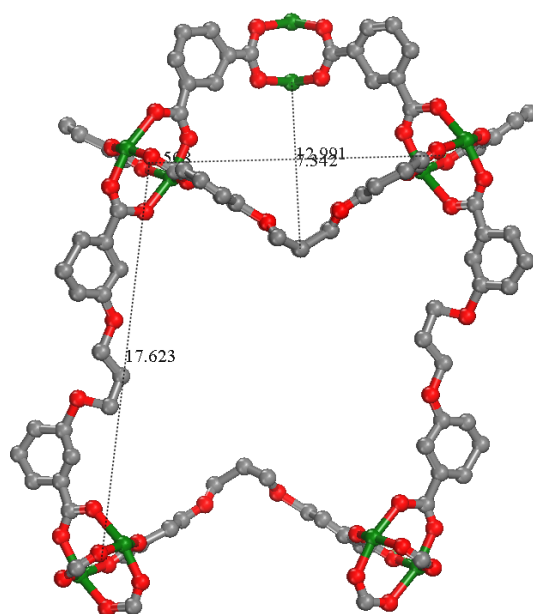


Figure S4. Framework structure of compound **1** viewed down the *c* axis, showing the Kagomé like layers. **L** ligands span the hexagonal windows.

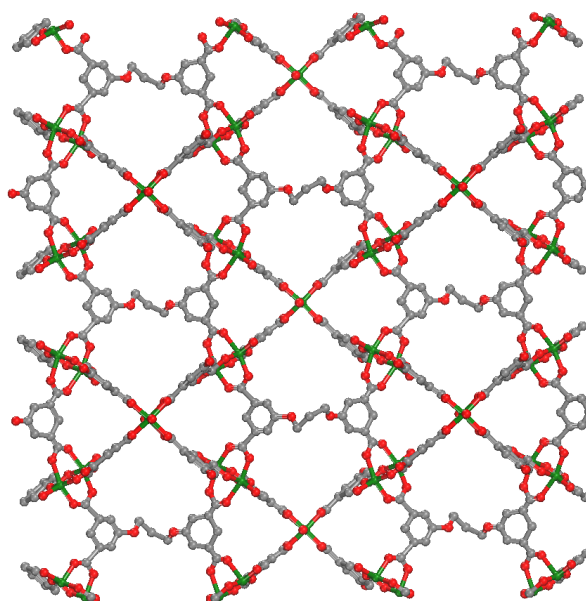


Figure S5. Framework structure of compound **1** viewed down the *b* axis.

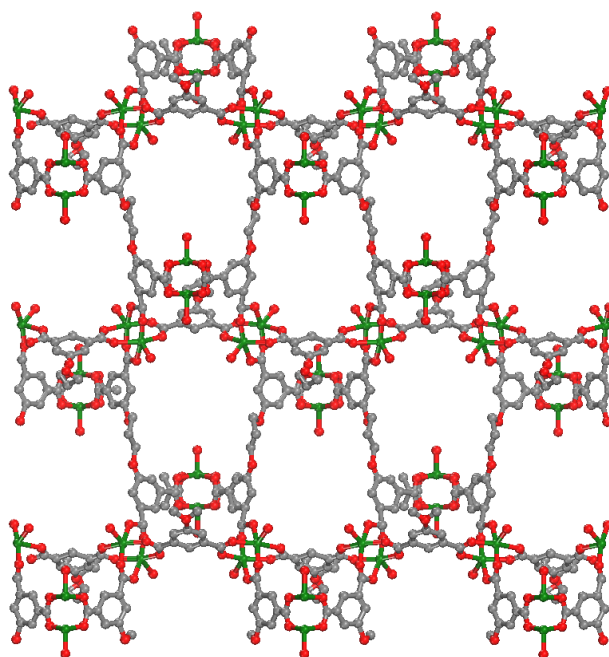


Figure S6 TGA data and analysis for complex **1**.

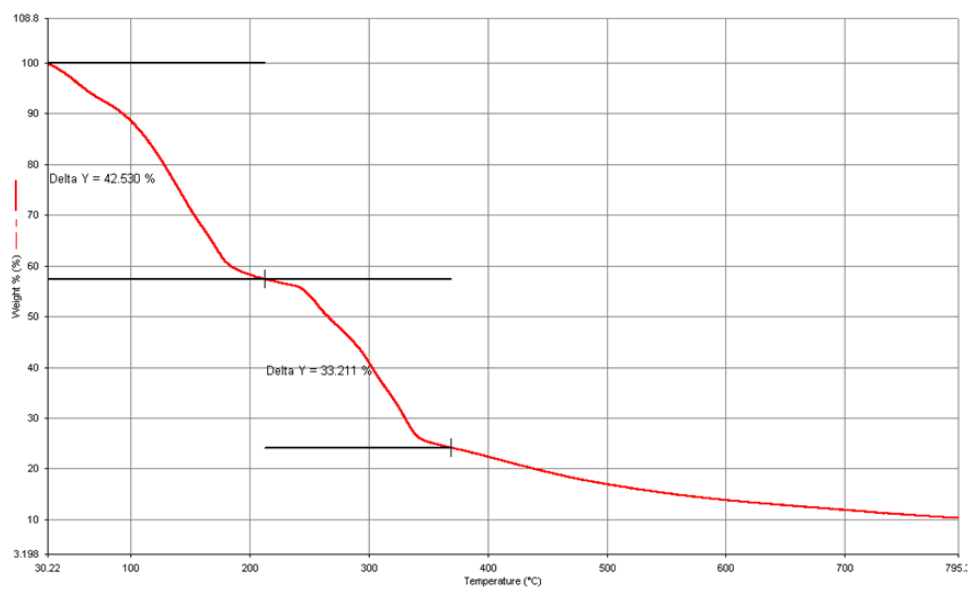


Fig. S7. Crystal shapes of **1** (left) and **2** (right).



Figure S8. Experimental and calculated X-ray diffraction patterns for compound **2**, indicating the phase purity of the as-synthesized product.

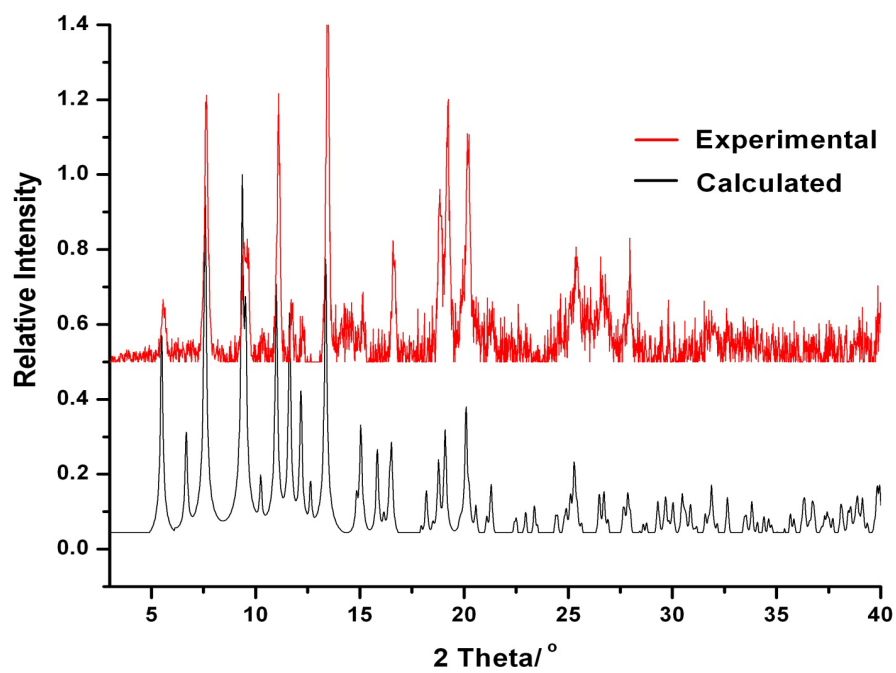


Figure S9. One trigonal prism connected with six trigonal prismatic units through its vertices to afford the *acs*-like topology.

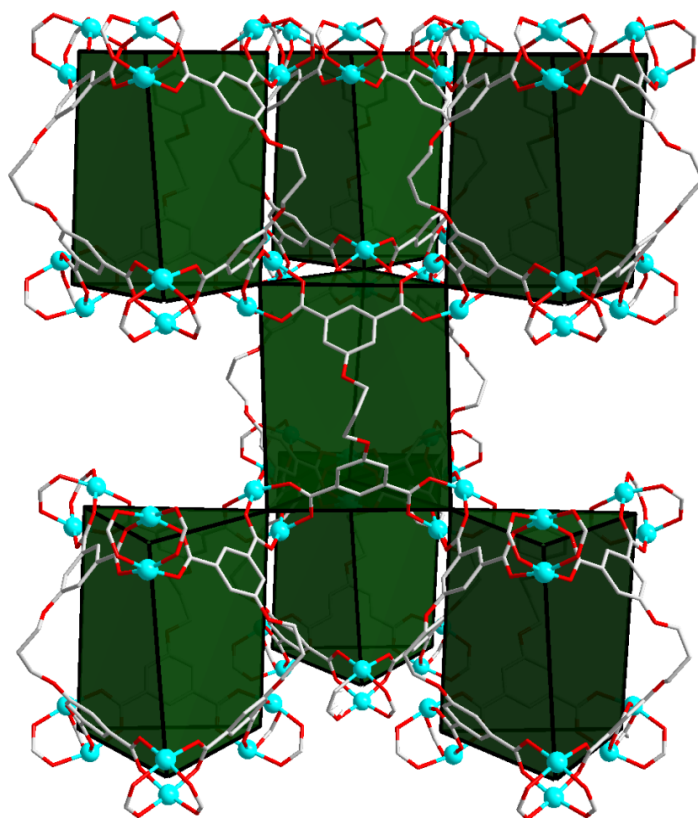


Figure S10. Space filling model of compound **2** viewed down the *c* axis.

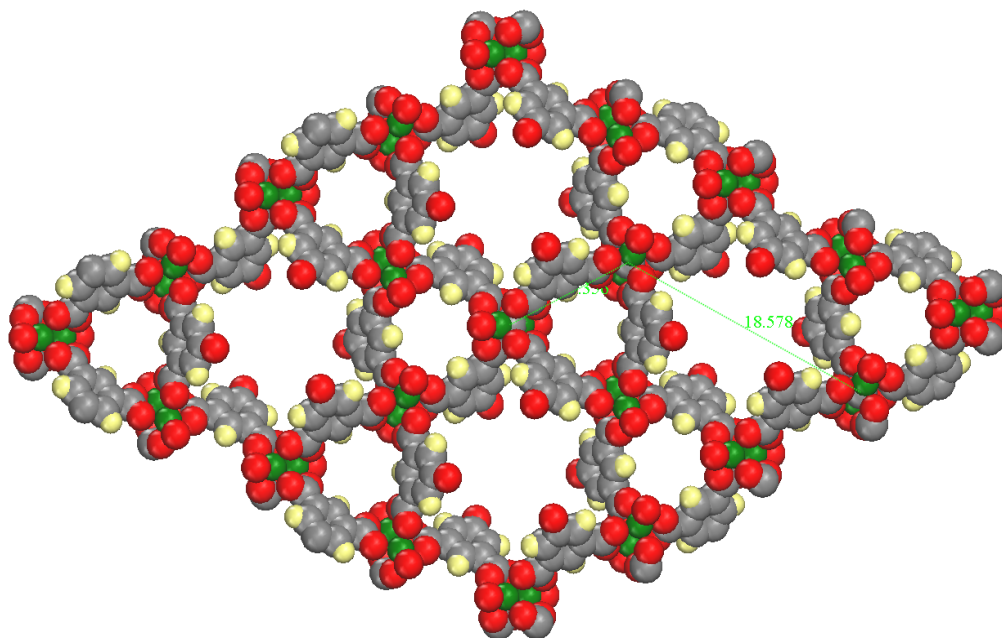


Figure S11. Framework structure of compound **2** viewed down the *b* axis.

