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# Construction of 3-fold interpenetrated pcu organic frameworks from methanetetrabenzoic acid with zigzag bipyridines

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# 1. Experimental section

#### **Preparation of H4MTB**

The ligand H<sub>4</sub>MTB was prepared according to the literature: B. Kirste, M. Grimm, H. Kurreck, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **1989**, *111*, 108.

#### Preparation of [H<sub>4</sub>MTB.azpy]

A mixture of  $H_4MTB$  and 4,4'-azopyridine (azpy) in 1:2 ratio ( $H_4MTB$ : 14.9 mg, 0.03 mmol; azpy: 11 mg, 0.06 mmol) was dissolved in THF/MeOH (v/v=1:2, 30 mL) and allowed for crystallization at ambient temperature. Orange high-quality single crystals were obtained in a few days.

#### Preparation of [H<sub>4</sub>MTB.(bipy-ete)].

A mixture of  $H_4MTB$  (19.8 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 1,2-di(pyridin-4-yl)ethene (14.6 mg, 0.08 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (50 mL). The resultant colorless solution was filtered and left to stand at room temperature. Upon slow evaporation of the solvents, rectangular shaped colorless crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were produced within three weeks.

#### 2. The result of interpenetrating modes analyzed by TOPOS

#### [H<sub>4</sub>MTB.azpy]:

For topology analysis, the  $H_4MTB$  molecule is simplified as Sc, and azpy molecule is simplified as Ti.

1:C39 H28 N4 O8

Topology for Sc1

Atom Sc1 links by bridge ligands and has

Comm	non vertex v	R(A-A)				
Sc 1	-0.5000	-1.4705	0.2500	(-1-2 0)	14.680A	1
Sc 1	0.5000	-1.4705	0.2500	(0-20)	14.680A	1
Sc 1	-0.5000	1.5295	0.2500	(-1 1 0)	14.680A	1
Sc 1	0.5000	1.5295	0.2500	(010)	14.680A	1
Sc 1	0.5000	-2.5295	-0.2500	(0-3-1)	26.299A	1
Sc 1	-0.5000	-2.5295	0.7500	(-1-3 0)	26.299A	1

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Structural group analysis

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Structural group No 1

Structure consists of 3D framework with TiSc

There are 3 interpenetrating nets

FIV: Full interpenetration vectors

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[0,1,0] (7.97A)

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PIC: [3/2,3/2,0][1,0,0][0,0,1] (PICVR=3)

Zt=3; Zn=1

Class Ia Z=3

Coordination sequences

 Sc1:
 1
 2
 3
 4
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 6
 7
 8
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 Num
 6
 18
 38
 66
 102
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 198
 258
 326
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TD10=1561

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Vertex symbols for selected sublattice

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Sc1 Schlafli symbol: {4^12;6^3} With circuits: [4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.6(4).6(4).6(4)]

Total Schlafli symbol: {4^12;6^3} 6-c net; uninodal net

Topological type: pcu alpha-Po primitive cubic; 6/4/c1; sqc1 {4^12;6^3} - VS [4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.4.\*.\*.\*] (66822 types in 8 databases) Elapsed time: 3.06 sec.

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1:C41 H30 N2 O8

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Common vertex with

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Sc 1	0.5000	2.4517	0.2500	(010)	14.597A	1
Sc 1	-0.5000	2.4517	0.2500	(-1 1 0)	14.597A	1
Sc 1	0.5000	-0.5483	0.2500	(0-20)	14.597A	1
Sc 1	-0.5000	-0.5483	0.2500	(-1-2 0)	14.597A	1
Sc 1	-0.5000	3.5483	0.7500	(-1 4 0)	26.653A	1
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# 3. Figure S1-S3



Fig. S1 Ball and stick view of the hydrogen bonds and the connectivity of H<sub>4</sub>MTB in [H<sub>4</sub>MTB•(bipy-ete)]. Red: O; blue: N; gray: C; white: H.



Fig. S2 a) Single distorted pcu cage in [H<sub>4</sub>MTB•(bipy-ete)]; b) Schematic view of the 3-fold interpenetration with an interpenetration vector [0,1,0].



Fig. S3 Schematic view of the 3-fold interpenetrated nets in  $[H_4MTB \cdot azpy]$  and  $[H_4MTB \cdot (bipy-ete)]$ .