## Revisiting isoreticular MOFs of alkaline earth metals: A comprehensive study on phase stability, electronic structure, chemical bonding, and optical properties of A-IRMOF-1 (A = Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba)

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А	C1-C2 (Å)	C2-C3 (Å)	C3-C3 (Å)	C1-O2 (Å)	A-O1 (Å)	A-O2 (Å)	O2-A-O2 (°)
Be	<i>1.490</i> , <b>1.491</b> <1.468>	<i>1.404</i> , <b>1.404</b> <1.388>	<i>1.391</i> , <b>1.391</b> <1.377>	<i>1.274</i> , <b>1.274</b> <1.262>	1.717, <b>1.717</b>	<i>1.634</i> , <b>1.635</b> <1.602>	<i>102.905</i> , <b>102.921</b> <102.812>
Mg	<i>1.496</i> , <b>1.496</b> <1.472>	<i>1.404</i> , <b>1.404</b> <1.388>	<i>1.391</i> , <b>1.391</b> <1.377>	<i>1.277</i> , <b>1.276</b> <1.265>	1.989, <b>1.989</b>	<i>1.959</i> , <b>1.960</b> <1.903>	108.332, <b>108.339</b> <108.210>
Ca	1.499, <b>1.500</b> <1.476>	<i>1.404</i> , <b>1.403</b> <1.389>	<i>1.391</i> , <b>1.391</b> <1.377>	<i>1.277</i> , <b>1.277</b> <1.266>	2.270, <b>2.270</b>	2.242, <b>2.242</b> <2.125>	<i>112.455</i> , <b>112.459</b> <111.751>
Sr	1.502, <b>1.502</b>	1.403, <b>1.403</b>	1.392, <b>1.392</b>	1.276, <b>1.276</b>	2.433, <b>2.434</b>	2.406, <b>2.406</b>	114.125, <b>114.125</b>
Ba	1.504, <b>1.504</b>	1.403, <b>1.403</b>	1.392, <b>1.392</b>	1.276, <b>1.276</b>	2.607, <b>2.607</b>	2.579, <b>2.580</b>	115.537, <b>115.529</b>

Table S1. Optimized bond length (Å) and bond angles (°) for A-IRMOF-1 (A = Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, or Ba) at their equilibrium volumes<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> The bond lengths and angles in italic and bold fonts are from  $\Gamma$ -point and 2×2×2 k-point calculations, respectively. Data in <br/>shares> are from ref 9.



**Figure S1.** Calculated partial density of states (PDOS) for Mg-IRMOF-1 obtained from (a)  $\Gamma$  point (1×1×1) only k-mesh and (b) 3×3×3 k-mesh using the Monkhorst–Pack scheme.



**Figure S2.** Calculated partial density of states (PDOS) for Ca-IRMOF-1 obtained from (a)  $\Gamma$  point (1×1×1) only k-mesh and (b) 3×3×3 k-mesh using the Monkhorst-Pack scheme.



**Figure S3.** Calculated partial density of states (PDOS) for Sr-IRMOF-1 obtained from (a)  $\Gamma$  point (1×1×1) only k-mesh and (b) 3×3×3 k-mesh using the Monkhorst–Pack scheme.

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**Figure S4.** Calculated partial density of states (PDOS) for Ba-IRMOF-1 obtained from (a)  $\Gamma$  point (1×1×1) only k-mesh and (b) 3×3×3 k-mesh using the Monkhorst-Pack scheme.

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**Figure S5.** Calculated charge density (a), charge transfer (b), and electron localization function, ELF (c) plots for Mg-IRMOF-1 in the (110) plane.

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**Figure S6.** Calculated charge density (a), charge transfer (b), and electron localization function, ELF (c) plots for Ca-IRMOF-1 in the (110) plane.



## (a)







**Figure S7.** Calculated charge density (a), charge transfer (b), and electron localization function, ELF (c) plots for Sr-IRMOF-1 in the (110) plane.

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## (a)



(b)



**Figure S8.** Calculated charge density (a), charge transfer (b), and electron localization function, ELF (c) plots for Ba-IRMOF-1 in the (110) plane.



**Figure S9.** Calculated Bader charges (BC; black color in brackets), bond overlap populations (BOP; red color) and Mulliken effective charges (MEC; blue color in parentheses) for the *A*-IRMOF-1 series (A = Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba).



**Figure S10**. Calculated optical properties for Mg-IRMOF-1: (a) dielectric function  $\varepsilon(\omega)$ , (b) reflectivity  $R(\omega)$ , (c) refractive index  $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$ ; extinction coefficient  $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$ , (d) optical conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$ , (e) energy loss function  $L(\omega)$ , and (f) absorption  $\alpha(\omega)$ .



Figure S11. Band structure of Mg-IRMOF-1. The Fermi level is set to zero.



**Figure S12**. Calculated optical properties for Ca-IRMOF-1: (a) dielectric function  $\varepsilon(\omega)$ , (b) reflectivity  $R(\omega)$ , (c) refractive index  $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$ ; extinction coefficient  $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$ , (d) optical conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$ , (e) energy loss function  $L(\omega)$ , and (f) absorption  $\alpha(\omega)$ .



Figure S13. Band structure of Ca-IRMOF-1. The Fermi level is set to zero.



**Figure S14**. Calculated optical properties for Sr-IRMOF-1: (a) dielectric function  $\varepsilon(\omega)$ , (b) reflectivity  $R(\omega)$ , (c) refractive index  $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$ ; extinction coefficient  $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$ , (d) optical conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$ , (e) energy loss function  $L(\omega)$ , and (f) absorption  $\alpha(\omega)$ .



Figure S15. Band structure of Sr-IRMOF-1. The Fermi level is set to zero.



**Figure S16.** The calculated optical spectra for Ba-IRMOF-1: (a) dielectric function  $\varepsilon(\omega)$ ; (b) reflectivity  $R(\omega)$ ; (c) refractive index  $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$  and extinction coefficient  $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$ ; (d) optical conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$ ; (e) energy loss function  $L(\omega)$ ; (f) absorption coefficient  $\alpha(\omega)$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S17.** The calculated electronic band structure of Ba-IRMOF-1. The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.