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Coordination Distortion Induced Water Adsorption in Hydrophobic Flexible Metal–Organic Frameworks

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### S1. Chemicals and methods used

**Chemicals.** Cobalt nitrate hexahydrate, nickel nitrate hexahydrate, copper nitrate trihydrate, zinc nitrate hexahydrate, isophthalic acid, and sodium hydroxide were obtained from FUJIFILM Wako Pure Chemical Corporation. Furthermore, 4,4'-bipyridine was purchased from Tokyo Chemical Industry Co., Ltd., and distilled water was obtained from Kishida Chemical Co., Ltd. All the chemicals and solvents used in the study were of reagent grade and used without further purification.

**Methods.** The X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) spectra were recorded on a Rigaku MiniFlex600 diffractometer at 40 kV and 15 mA using a Cu-target tube. The samples were examined without grinding, and the data were collected for  $2\theta$  values of  $3^{\circ}$ - $30^{\circ}$  using Cu–Ka radiation. The diffraction patterns were obtained in an Ar atmosphere using an air-sensitive sample holder purchased from Rigaku. Thermogravimetry (TG) was performed on a SHIMADZU DTG-60 instrument over a temperature range of 30-150 °C at 5 °C min<sup>-1</sup> in air. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) images and SEM-energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (SEM-EDX) maps were captured on a JEOL JCM-6000 system equipped with an EDX analyzer (EX-37001) and DX200s detector. Magnetic susceptibility experiments were performed using a SQUID magnetometer (MPMS–7XL, Quantum Design Ltd.) in the temperature range 1.8-300 K under a direct current field of 1000 T. The XRPD patterns were simulated based on single-crystal data using the diffraction crystal module of the software program Mercury (version 3.9), which are available free of charge via the Internet at http://www.iucr.org.

**Determination of crystal structure.** The crystallographic data for CuCID-1 were collected with a CCD diffractometer using Mo–Kα radiation. The CrystalClear-SM Expert 2.0 r2 program (Rigaku, 2009) was used for integrating the diffraction profiles. The crystal structures were solved by directed methods using the program SHELXT and refined using SHELXL. Anisotropic thermal parameters were used to refine all the non-H atoms (CCDC number: 1978140)

H<sub>2</sub>O-sorption isotherms. H<sub>2</sub>O-sorption isotherms were acquired on a MicrotracBEL BELSORP-max volumetric gas adsorption measurement system. The samples were dried under reduced pressure at 120  $^{\circ}$ C for 72 h prior to any experiment.

## S2. Synthesis methods

Synthesis of disodium isophthalic acid (Na<sub>2</sub>ip). Sodium hydroxide (2.5 g, 0.6 mol) was dissolved in a minimal amount of water. Isophthalic acid (5.0 g, 0.3 mol) was added to the mixture, which was then sonicated and heated at 50 °C to ensure complete dissolution. After the dissolution process, excess ethanol was added. The residue was filtered and dried under reduced pressure at 120 °C overnight, yielding a white powder.

**Synthesis of CoCID-1.**  $Co(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (116.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) was dissolved in water (8.0 mL). Next, Na<sub>2</sub>ip (84.0 mg, 0.40 mmol) and bpy (62.5 mg, 0.40 mmol) were added to the solution, which was sealed in a 15-mL Teflon-lined stainless-steel container and heated at 150 °C for 48 h. The M:ip:bpy molar ratio was 1:1:1. After the heating process, the container was cooled to 30 °C at a rate of 10 °C h<sup>-1</sup>. The residue was washed with MeOH and filtered, yielding an orange-red crystalline powder with a yield of 79%.

**Synthesis of NiCID-1.** The synthesis procedure was similar to that for CoCID-1 with the exception that Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (116.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (116.3 mg, 0.40 mmol). A light-green crystalline powder was obtained with a yield of 92%.

Synthesis of CuCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O. The synthesis procedure was similar to that for CoCID-1 with the exception that Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (116.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (96.6 mg, 0.40 mmol). A light-blue crystalline powder was obtained with a yield of 95%.

Synthesis of ZnCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O. The synthesis procedure was similar to that for CoCID-1 with the exception that Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (116.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (119.0 mg, 0.40 mmol). A colorless crystalline powder was obtained with a yield of 73%.

**Synthesis of Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1.** The following two aqueous solutions were prepared: Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (72.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) dissolved in water (5.0 ml) and Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) dissolved in

water (5.0 ml). Next, the two solutions were mixed with Na<sub>2</sub>ip (84.0 mg, 0.40 mmol) and bpy (62.5 mg, 0.40 mmol), and the mixture was placed in a 15-mL Teflon-lined stainless-steel container and heated at 150 °C for 48 h. Subsequently, the container was cooled to room temperature at a rate of 10 °C h<sup>-1</sup>. The residue was washed with MeOH and filtered, yielding a light-blown crystalline powder (Coaq:Niaq = x:1-x).

Synthesis of Co<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.50, 0.67, and 0.85). The following two aqueous solutions were prepared: Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (320.1 mg, 0.40 mmol) dissolved in water (22.0 mL) and Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (265.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) dissolved in water (22.0 mL). Next, the two solutions were mixed with Na<sub>2</sub>ip (84.0 mg, 0.40 mmol) and bpy (62.5 mg, 0.40 mmol), and the mixture was placed in a 15-mL Teflon-lined stainless-steel container and heated at 150 °C for 48 h. The Zn:Co:ip:bpy molar ratio was x:1-x:1:1, and the Znaq:Coaq volume ratio was x:1-x. The total volume was 8.0 mL. Subsequently, the container was cooled to room temperature at a rate of 10 °C h<sup>-1</sup>. Then, the residue was washed with MeOH and filtered, yielding a light-blown crystalline powder (Coaq:Niaq = x:1-x).

Synthesis of  $Co_x Zn_{1-x}CID-1$  (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.50, and 0.67). The synthesis procedure was similar to that for  $Co_x Cu_{1-x}CID-1$  with the exception that  $Cu(NO_3)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$  (265.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by  $Zn(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (327.3 mg, 0.40 mmol). A light-peach crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of Ni<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.50, 0.67, and 0.85). The synthesis procedure was similar to that for Co<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 with the exception that Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (320.1 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (319.9 mg, 0.40 mmol). A light-blue crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of Ni<sub>x</sub>Zn<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.50, and 0.67). The synthesis procedure was similar to that for Co<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 with the exception that Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (320.1 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (265.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) were replaced by Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (319.9 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (327.4 mg, 0.40 mmol), respectively. A light-green crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of Cu<sub>x</sub>Zn<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.50, 0.67, and 0.85). The synthesis procedure was similar to that for Co<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 with the exception that Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (320.1 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (265.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) were replaced by Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O (265.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (327.2 mg, 0.40 mmol), respectively. A light-blue crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$  using half the amount of the ligand. The synthesis procedure was similar to that for  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1$  with the exception that the Co:Ni:ip:bpy molar ratio was changed to 1:1:1:1. A light-blown crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of  $Co_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1_H$  using half the amount of the ligand. The synthesis procedure was similar to that for  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$  with the exception that  $Ni(NO_3)_2$ .  $6H_2O$  (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by  $Cu(NO_3)_2$ .  $4H_2O$  (60.4 mg, 0.40 mmol). A light-blue crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of  $Co_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}CID-1_H$  using half the amount of the ligand. The synthesis procedure was similar to that for  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$  with the exception that  $Ni(NO_3)_2$ ·6H<sub>2</sub>O (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) was replaced by  $Zn(NO_3)_2$ ·6H<sub>2</sub>O (74.4 mg, 0.40 mmol). A light-pink crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of Ni<sub>0.5</sub>Cu<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1<sub>H</sub> using half the amount of the ligand. The synthesis procedure was similar to that  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$  with the exception that  $Co(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (72.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Ni(NO\_3)\_2 \cdot 6H\_2O (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) were replaced by Ni(NO\_3)\_2 \cdot 6H\_2O (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Cu(NO\_3)\_2 \cdot 3H\_2O (60.4 mg, 0.40 mmol), respectively. A light-blue crystalline powder was obtained.

Synthesis of Ni<sub>0.5</sub>Zn<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1<sub>H</sub> using half the amount of the ligand. The synthesis procedure was similar to that for  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$  with the exception that  $Co(NO_3)_2$ ·6H<sub>2</sub>O (72.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) were replaced by Ni(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) and Zn(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (74.4 mg, 0.40 mmol), respectively. A light-green crystalline powder was obtained.

**Synthesis of Cu<sub>0.5</sub>Zn<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1<sub>H</sub> using half the amount of the ligand.** The synthesis procedure was similar to that for  $Co_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$  with the exception that  $Co(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (72.8 mg, 0.40 mmol) and  $Ni(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (72.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) were replaced by  $Cu(NO_3)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$  (60.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) and  $Zn(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (74.4 mg, 0.40 mmol), respectively. A light-blue crystalline powder was obtained.

**Degassing treatment of CID-1.** The as-synthesized CID-1 was washed with MeOH and dried *in vacuo* overnight at 120 °C.



# S3. XRPD patterns of the as-synthesized MCID-1 compounds

Fig. S1. XRPD patterns of (a) as-synthesized CoCID-1, (b) CoCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>),<sup>1</sup> (c) as-synthesized NiCID-1, (d) NiCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>),<sup>2</sup> (e) as-synthesized CuCID-1, (f) CuCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>),<sup>3</sup> (g) as-synthesized ZnCID-1, and (h) ZnCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>).<sup>4</sup> (<sup>†</sup>Note: b, d, f, and h are simulated profiles from single-crystal data).

# S4. Crystal structures of the MCID-1 compounds



Fig. S2. Crystal structures of (a) NiCID-1, (b) CoCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O,<sup>5</sup> (c) CuCID-1, (d) ZnCID-1, and (e) ZnCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O. Purple, orange, light blue, light green, gray, blue, and red represent Ni, Co, Cu, Zn, C, N, and O, respectively. H atoms are omitted for clarity.

### **S5.** Thermogravimetric curves

We measured the TG curves to evaluate the number of water molecules in the as-synthesized MCID-1. For ZnCID-1, the sample was exposed to water vapor for 1 h prior to the experiment because ZnCID-1 easily desorbs guest molecules under ambient conditions, e.g., during filtration. The TG curves indicated that CoCID-1 and NiCID-1 did not contain water molecules, whereas CuCID-1 and ZnCID-1 displayed weight loss of 11.7% and 11.8%, respectively, corresponding to water evaporation. These values indicate that CuCID-1 and ZnCID-1 both contained 2.9 water molecules per cell unit, although the cif files indicate that MCID-1 (M = Cu and Zn) each contain three water molecules per cell unit. This inconsistency is considered to be caused by desorption of water molecules from the cavity into the air before the TG measurement.



Fig. S3. TG curves of (a) CoCID-1, (b) NiCID-1, (c) CuCID-1, and (d) ZnCID-1.

### S6. XRPD patterns of MCID-1 after degassing treatment

The crystal structures of both CoCID-1 and CoCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O have been reported previously.<sup>1,5</sup> Their assembled structures, however, are almost the same except for the presence of water molecules in the pores (Figs. 1b and S2b). The values of their crystallographic parameters are almost the same; both are in the *P*-1 space group, and they have 0D hydrophobic pores, suggesting that water inclusion in CoCID-1 is not accompanied by a framework structural transformation. Under our synthesis conditions, the XRPD patterns of the as-synthesized CoCID-1 sample is similar to that of CoCID-1 devoid of water molecules (Fig. S4).



### $2\theta$ (Degrees)

Fig. S4. XRPD patterns of (a) degassed CoCID-1, (b) as-synthesised CoCID-1, (c) CoCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>), and (d) CoCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: c and d are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S5. XRPD patterns of (a) degassed NiCID-1, (b) as-synthesised NiCID-1, and (c) NiCID-1 (simulated profile from single crystal data).



Fig. S6. XRPD patterns of (a) ZnCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (b) degassed ZnCID-1, (c) as-synthesised ZnCID-1, and (d) ZnCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and d are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S7. XRPD patterns of (a) degassed CuCID-1, (b) as-synthesised CuCID-1, and (c) CuCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated profile from single crystal data).

# S7. Crystallographic data (CCDC: 1978140)

Compound	CuCID-1			
Formula	$C_{18}H_{12}N_2O_4Cu$			
Formula weight	383.84			
Temperature (K)	200			
Crystal system	Monoclinic			
Space group	$P2_{1}/c$			
a (Å)	10.111(2)			
b (Å)	11.154(2)			
c (Å)	15.896(4)			
β (°)	104.510(9)			
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1735.54			
Ζ	4			
$\rho_{calc} (g \ cm^{-3})$	1.469			
$\mu (mm^{-1})$	1.282			
F(000)	780			
Wavelength/Å	0.71075			
$2\theta$ range for data collection/°	2.081 to 27.500			
Index ranges	$-13 \leq h \leq 13$			
	$-14 \leq k \leq 14$			
	$-20 \leq l \leq 20$			
Reflection collected	19670			
Unique reflections	2233			
Goodness-of-Fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.043			
Final $R_1$ index $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$	0.0918			
Final R <sub>1</sub> index [all data]	0.1937			
Final wR <sub>2</sub> index $[I \ge 2\sigma (I)]$	0.1978			
Final wR2 index [all data]	0.2758			
Largest diff. peak/hole / (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.853/-1.259			

Table S1. Crystallographic data and parameters for CuCID-1

Compound	Space Group	Bond Length / Å					
		M-01	M-02	M-O3	M-04	M-N1	M-N2
CoCID-1	P - 1	2.12	2.25	2.01	2.05	2.16	2.16
NiCID-1	<i>P</i> -1	2.12	2.18	2.03	2.06	2.11	2.11
CuCID-1	$P 2_1/c$	2.01	2.57	1.99	2.23	2.03	2.04
ZnCID-1	<i>P</i> -1	2.13	2.32	2.04	2.06	2.15	2.18
CuCID-1 ⊃ H <sub>2</sub> O	<i>C</i> 2/c	2.04	2.64	1.97	2.23	2.02	2.03
ZnCID-1⊃H <sub>2</sub> O	<i>C</i> 2/c	2.08	2.57	2.04	2.06	2.15	2.15

Table S2. Space groups and bond lengths of MCID-1

## S8. Space groups and bond lengths of the MCID-1 compounds

# S9. Time-resolved XRPD patterns of CuCID-1

The diffraction patterns were recorded in an Ar atmosphere using an air-sensitive sample holder after degassing (0 min). The sample was subsequently exposed to air (293 K, RH = 55%).



Fig. S8. Time-resolved XRPD patterns of (a) CuCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>); CuCID-1 after exposure to air for (b) 0 min (degassed), (c) 5 min, (d) 10 min, (e) 20 min, and (f) 30 min; and (g) CuCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and g are simulated profiles from single crystal data).

#### S10. Pore properties of MCID-1

We calculated the pore properties of MCID-1 to evaluate the effect of the type of metal ion. The calculations indicate that the cavity volumes of MCID-1 (M = Co, Ni, Cu, and Zn) are 12.5% (108.5 Å<sup>3</sup>), 11.5% (99.7 Å<sup>3</sup>), 12.2% (212.5 Å<sup>3</sup>), and 11.2% (95.4 Å<sup>3</sup>) per cell volume, respectively. It is noted that Z value of CuCID-1 is four, whereas that of MCID-1 is two. The cavity sizes of MCID-1 (M = Co, Ni, Cu, and Zn) are  $6 \times 7 \times 4$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $6 \times 7 \times 4$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $6 \times 7 \times 4$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $a + 7 \times 4$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $b + 7 \times 4$  Å



Fig. S9. Pore surroundings of MCID-1. (a) CoCID-1, (b) NiCID-1, (c) CuCID-1, and (d) ZnCID-1. Gray, blue, red, and white represent C, N, O, and H respectively. H atoms are omitted for clarity. Cavities are highlighted by the yellow circles.

### S11. Coordination and water network structures of ZnCID-1



Fig. S10. (a) Coordination structure of ZnCID-1 and (b) structure of the water network in the 1D channel.

# S12. XRPD patterns of M10.5M20.5CID-1



Fig. S11. XRPD patterns of (a) as-synthesised  $Zn_{0.5}CID-1$ , (b) as-synthesised  $Zn_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1$ , (c) as-synthesised  $Cu_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1$ , (d) as-synthesised  $Zn_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1$ , (e) as-synthesised  $Co_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1$ , (f) as-synthesised  $Ni_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1$ ; and (g)  $ZnCID-1 \supset H_2O$  (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (h)  $CuCID-1 \supset H_2O$  (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (i) NiCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (j) CoCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: g–j are simulated profiles from single crystal data).

### S13. Evaluating XRPD patterns of the M10.5M20.5CID-1H compounds

We synthesized solid-solution-type  $M1_{0.5}M2_{0.5}CID-1_H$  using half the amount of the ligand (M1:M2:Na<sub>2</sub>ip:bpy = 1:1:1:1). The XRPD patterns and SEM-EDX maps indicated that the patterns of  $M1_{0.5}M2_{0.5}CID-1_H$  are similar, with the exception of  $M_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1_H$ , which only show peaks related to CuCID-1 (Figs. S12 and S13). Therefore, we surmise that CuCID-1 crystallized more rapidly than the other compounds in water because CuCID-1  $\supseteq H_2O$  is very stable.



Fig. S12. XRPD patterns of (a) as-synthesised  $Zn_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1_H$ , (b) as-synthesised  $Zn_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$ , (c) as-synthesised  $Cu_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1_H$ , (d) as-synthesised  $Zn_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1_H$ , (e) as-synthesised  $Co_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1_H$ ; (f) as-synthesised  $Ni_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1_H$  produced using half the amount of ligand; and (g)  $ZnCID-1 \supset H_2O$  (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (h)  $CuCID-1 \supset H_2O$  (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (i) NiCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>), (j) CoCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: g–j are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S13. SEM-EDX maps of (a)  $Ni_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1$ , (b)  $Co_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1$ , (c)  $Zn_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1$ , (d)  $Ni_{0.5}Co_{0.5}CID-1$ , (e)  $Zn_{0.5}Ni_{0.5}CID-1$ , and (f)  $Zn_{0.5}Cu_{0.5}CID-1_H$  synthesised using half the amount of ligand.

### S14. Evaluating the XRPD patterns of the M1<sub>x</sub>M2<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 compounds

The XRPD patterns and SEM-EDX maps of  $M1_xM2_{1-x}CID-1$  (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.67, and 0.85) are similar to those obtained when x = 0.50. However, the products did not mix well when Cu ions are used to prepare solid-solution-type CID-1 (Figs. S14–S23).



Fig. S14. XRPD patterns of (a) CuCID-1  $\supset$  H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>); Co<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 with (b) x = 0.15, (c) x = 0.33, (d) x = 0.50, (e) x = 0.67, and (f) x = 0.85; and (g) CoCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and g are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S15. XRPD patterns of (a) CoCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>);  $Zn_xCo_{1-x}CID-1$  with (b) x = 0.33, (c) x = 0.50, (d) x = 0.67, and (e) x = 0.85; and (f) ZnCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and f are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S16. XRPD patterns of (a) NiCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>); Cu<sub>x</sub>Ni<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 with (b) x = 0.15, (c) x = 0.33, (d) x = 0.50, (e) x = 0.67, and (f) x = 0.85; and (g) CuCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and g are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S17. XRPD patterns of (a) NiCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>);  $Zn_xNi_{1-x}CID-1$  with (b) x = 0.33, (c) x = 0.50, (d) x = 0.67, and (e) x = 0.85; and (f) ZnCID-1 (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and f are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S18. XRPD patterns of (a) CuCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>); Zn<sub>x</sub>Cu<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 with (b) x = 0.15, (c) x = 0.33, (d) x = 0.50, (e) x = 0.67, and (f) x = 0.85; and (g) ZnCID-1 $\supset$ H<sub>2</sub>O (simulated<sup>†</sup>). (<sup>†</sup>Note: a and g are simulated profiles from single crystal data).



Fig. S19. SEM-EDX images of  $Co_xCu_{1-x}CID-1$  with (a) x = 0.15, (b) x = 0.33, (c) x = 0.67, and (d) x = 0.85.



Fig. S20. SEM-EDX images of  $Zn_xCo_{1-x}CID-1$  with (a) x = 0.33, (b) x = 0.67, and (c) x = 0.85.



Fig. S21. SEM-EDX images of  $Cu_x Ni_{1-x}CID-1$  with (a) x = 0.15, (b) x = 0.33, (c) x = 0.67, and (d) x = 0.85.



Fig. S22. SEM-EDX images of  $Zn_xNi_{1-x}CID-1$  with (a) x = 0.33, (b) x = 0.67, and (c) x = 0.85.



Fig. S23. SEM-EDX images of  $Zn_xCu_{1-x}CID-1$  with (a) x = 0.15, (b) x = 0.33, (c) x = 0.67, and (d) x = 0.85.

### S15. Metal content ratio of the M1<sub>x</sub>M2<sub>1-x</sub>CID-1 compounds

The metal ratio of as-synthesized  $M1_xM2_{1-x}$ CID-1 compounds were determined by SEM-EDX.



Fig. S24. Metal content ratio of the as-synthesized  $M1_xM2_{1-x}CID-1$ . (a)  $Co_xNi_{1-x}CID-1$ , (b)  $Co_xCu_{1-x}CID-1$ , (c)  $Co_xZn_{1-x}CID-1$ , (d)  $Ni_xCu_{1-x}CID-1$ , (e)  $Ni_xZn_{1-x}CID-1$ , and (f)  $Cu_xZn_{1-x}CID-1$ .

#### S16. Possible distribution structures

Solid-solution-type M1<sub>0.5</sub>M2<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1 with Co, Ni, and Zn ions formed well-mixed solid solutions, as confirmed by their XRPD patterns and SEM-EDX maps. However, their microdistribution structures were not identified. In other words, while the node in CID-1 is a dinuclear complex, the MCID-1 solid-solution exhibits two types of distribution structure: a homo-metal dinuclear structure and one in which both heteroand homo-metal dinuclear structures are mixed randomly (Figs. S25a and b). We examined the magnetic behaviors of single-metal-ion MCID-1 (M = Co and Ni) and solid-solution-type  $M_{10.5}M_{20.5}CID-1$  (M = Co, Ni, and Zn) to investigate the structure of the dinuclear part. The results for single-metal-ion MCID-1 (M = Co and Ni) showed that both MCID-1 compounds exhibited paramagnetic behaviors at high temperatures. Furthermore, the value of  $\chi_M T$  decreased at low temperatures due to antiferromagnetic Co–Co or Ni–Ni interactions. The behaviors of the solid-solution-type  $Co_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}CID-1$  and  $Ni_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}CID-1$  are similar to those of CoCID-1 and NiCID-1, respectively (Figs. S25c and d). These results suggest that part of the dinuclear structure is constructed by the same ion species, as shown in Fig. S25a, whereas that of Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1 was dramatically different from those of CoCID-1 and NiCID-1 (Fig. S25e). At low temperatures, the  $\chi_{\rm M}$ T value of Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1 did not match the average value for CoCID-1 and NiCID-1. This is due to ferromagnetism that is attributable to interactions between Co and Ni. This strongly suggests that heterometal-dinuclear Co-Ni complexes are formed, as shown in Fig. S25b. The differences in the distributions of metal ions in the cluster are explained by the coordination structures of the metal ions in the as-synthesized compounds; as-synthesized ZnCID-1 shows a distorted coordination structure, whereas the coordination structures of the as-synthesized CoCID-1 and NiCID-1 are close to the symmetric octahedral structure. Therefore,  $Co_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}CID-1$  and  $Ni_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}CID-1$  become segregated to stabilize each coordination structure in the solid-solution.



Fig. S25. Possible distribution structures of well-mixed solid-solution CID-1. (a) Homo-metal dinuclear structure and (b) random mixing of hetero- and homo-metal dinuclear structures. Results of magnetic susceptibility experiments: (c) CoCID-1 and  $Co_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}CID-1$ ; (d) NiCID-1 and Ni<sub>0.5</sub>Zn<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1; and (e) CoCID-1, NiCID-1, and Co<sub>0.5</sub>Ni<sub>0.5</sub>CID-1.

### S17. H<sub>2</sub>O-adsorption behavior of M10.5M20.5CID-1.

We acquired the water-adsorption isotherms for other ratios of  $M1_xM2_{1-x}CID-1$  (x = 0.15, 0.33, 0.67, and 0.85) to evaluate the effects of the metal content ratio on the onset pressure and adsorption amount (Fig. S26).



Fig. S26. Water-adsorption isotherms for  $M1_xM2_{1-x}CID-1$  at 298 K: (a)  $Zn_xCo_{1-x}CID-1$ , (b)  $Zn_xNi_{1-x}CID-1$ , (c)  $Cu_xCo_{1-x}CID-1$ , (d)  $Cu_xNi_{1-x}CID-1$ , and (e)  $Cu_xZn_{1-x}CID-1$ .

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