## Supporting Information

# Size-matched polyoxometalate encapsulated in UiO-66(Zr): an extraordinary catalyst with double active sites for highly efficient ultra-deep oxidative desulfurization of fuel oil

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### Experimental

#### Preparation of Mo<sub>8</sub>

1.25 g  $Na_2MoO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$  was dissolved in 3 ml water, adjust the solution pH to 4.5 with HCl (1.0 ml,

6 mol/l), then add 0.80 g (n-C\_4H\_9)\_4NCl, filter out the resulting precipitation, finally wash the

precipitation thoroughly with water, absolute ethyl alcohol, acetone, diethyl ether, respectively.

### Characterization







Figure S2. EDS analysis of Mo<sub>8</sub>-UiO-66.



Figure S3. TEM images of Mo<sub>8</sub>-UiO-66 (a) and element mapping (b).



Figure S4. Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms of UiO-66 and  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66.



Figure S5. Aperture distribution of UiO-66 and Mo<sub>8</sub>-UiO-66.



Figure S6. Thermogravimetric analysis of UiO-66 and  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66.



Figure S7. Reaction kinetics of DBT removal, reaction conditions: 60 °C, O/S = 4,  $m_{cat}$  = 0.020 g, t = 10

min.



Figure S8. PXRD patterns of  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66 and  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66 after fourth recycle.



Figure S9. FT-IR spectra of  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66 and  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66 after fourth recycle.



**Figure S10.** GC-MS of fresh model oil phase (a), oil phase after reaction (b), oxidative production after reextraction (c).



Figure S11. EPR spectrum of  $Mo_8$ -UiO-66,  $H_2O_2$  and DMPO.

Table S1. The content of  $Mo_8$  in different conditions (measured by ICP).

Samples	Content of Mo <sub>8</sub>
Mo <sub>8</sub> -UiO-66	28.05%
Mo <sub>8</sub> -UiO-66 (after reaction)	27.88%