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## Selective Binding of Highly Hydrophilic Anions by Incarceration into Rigidified Nanojars: Sulfate vs. Carbonate

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Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 1,9-bis(dimethylamino)nona-1,8-diene-3,7-dione in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 1,9-bis(dimethylamino)nona-1,8-diene-3,7-dione in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 1,3-di(pyrazol-3(5)-yl)propane in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S4. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 1,3-di(pyrazol-3(5)-yl)propane in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 1,4-bis(1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)butane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S6. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 1,4-bis(1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)butane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S7. 1H-NMR spectrum of 1,5-bis(1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)pentane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S8. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 1,5-bis(1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)pentane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 1,4-di(pyrazol-3(5)-yl)butane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S10. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 1,4-di(pyrazol-3(5)-yl)butane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S11. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 1,5-di(pyrazol-3(5)-yl)pentane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S12. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 1,5-di(pyrazol-3(5)-yl)pentane in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S13**. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of the product obtained from the reaction of (1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)lithium with 1,3-diiodopropane (2:1 molar ratio) containing ~37% H<sub>2</sub>L3, ~10% 5-iodo-1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazole and ~53% unreacted 1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazole.



**Figure S14**. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of the product obtained from the reaction of (1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)lithium with 1,2-diiodoethane (4:1 molar ratio) containing ~14% 5-iodo-1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazole and ~86% unreacted 1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazole.



**Figure S15**. Zoomed-in region of the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of the product obtained from the reaction of (1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)lithium with 1,2-diiodoethane (4:1 molar ratio) showing the signal of the proton from the 3-position of 5-iodo-1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazole.



**Figure S16**. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of the product obtained from the reaction of (1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazol-5-yl)lithium with 1,2-diiodoethane (1:2 molar ratio) showing almost pure 5-iodo-1-(tetrahydropyran-2-yl)pyrazole.

D–H···A	D–H/(Å)	H…A∕(Å)	D…A/(Å)	D–H···A/°	Symmetry operator for A
N1—H1N···N2	0.91(2)	2.24(2)	2.986(2)	138(2)	-x+1, -y+2, -z+2
N1—H1N…N3	0.91(2)	2.39(2)	3.036(2)	127(2)	x+1, y, z+1
N4—H4N…N2	0.89(2)	2.29(2)	3.127(2)	158(2)	x, y, z-1

**Table S1**. Hydrogen bonding data for H2L4.



Figure S17. Packing diagram of H<sub>2</sub>L4.



**Figure S18**. Packing diagram of (THP)<sub>2</sub>L4 (only one position is shown for the disordered THPmoieties).



Figure S19. Packing diagram of (THP)<sub>2</sub>L5.



**Figure S20**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture formed by Cu(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>L3, NaOH and (Bu<sub>4</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> in a 28:14:54:2 molar ratio in THF.



**Figure S21**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in  $CH_3CN$  of the tetranuclear complex obtained from  $Cu(NO_3)_2$ ,  $H_2L3$  and NaOH in a 28:14:42 molar ratio in THF.



Figure S22. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in  $CH_3CN$  of the nanojar obtained from  $Cu(NO_3)_2$ ,  $H_2L3$  and  $Bu_4NOH$  in a 28:28:63 molar ratio in THF.



**Figure S23**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in DMF of the nanojar mixture  $[SO_4 \subset Cu_n(OH)_n(L4)_y(pz)_{n-2y}]^{2-1}$  formed by L4 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio). Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between L4 and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.



**Figure S24**. ESI-MS(−) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture [CO<sub>3</sub>⊂Cu<sub>n</sub>(OH)<sub>n</sub>(L5)<sub>y</sub>(pz)<sub>n-2y</sub>]<sup>2-</sup> formed by L5 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio). Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between L5 and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.



**Figure S25**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in DMF of the nanojar mixture  $[SO_4 \subset Cu_n(OH)_n(L5)_y(pz)_{n-2y}]^{2-1}$  formed by L5 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio). Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between L5 and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n–2y.



**Figure S26**. ESI-MS(−) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture [CO<sub>3</sub>⊂Cu<sub>n</sub>(OH)<sub>n</sub>(**L6**)<sub>y</sub>(pz)<sub>n-2y</sub>]<sup>2−</sup> formed by **L6** in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio). Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between **L6** and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.



**Figure S27**. ESI-MS(−) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture [SO<sub>4</sub>⊂Cu<sub>n</sub>(OH)<sub>n</sub>(**L6**)<sub>y</sub>(pz)<sub>n-2y</sub>]<sup>2−</sup> formed by **L6** in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio). Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between **L6** and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.



**Figure S28**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture  $[SO_4 \subset Cu_n(OH)_n(L6)_y(pz)_{n-2y}]^{2-}$  formed by L6 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio), showing additional peaks at m/z 1918–2000 and 3094–3175.







**Figure S30**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture  $[CO_3/SO_4 \subset Cu_n(OH)_n(L4)_y(pz)_{n-2y}]^{2-}$  formed by L4 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio) and an equimolar mixture of  $(Bu_4N)_2CO_3$  and  $(Bu_4N)_2SO_4$  in THF. Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between L4 and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.



**Figure S31**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture  $[CO_3/SO_4 \subset Cu_n(OH)_n(L5)_y(pz)_{n-2y}]^{2-}$  formed by L5 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio) and an equimolar mixture of  $(Bu_4N)_2CO_3$  and  $(Bu_4N)_2SO_4$  in THF. Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between L5 and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.



**Figure S32**. ESI-MS(–) spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN of the nanojar mixture  $[CO_3/SO_4 \subset Cu_n(OH)_n(L6)_y(pz)_{n-2y}]^{2-}$  formed by L6 in mixture with pz (1:2 molar ratio) and an equimolar mixture of  $(Bu_4N)_2CO_3$  and  $(Bu_4N)_2SO_4$  in THF. Cu<sub>n</sub> abbreviations show the nuclearity of the nanojars, and the molar ratio between L6 and pz in a given nanojar is indicated by y:n-2y.