

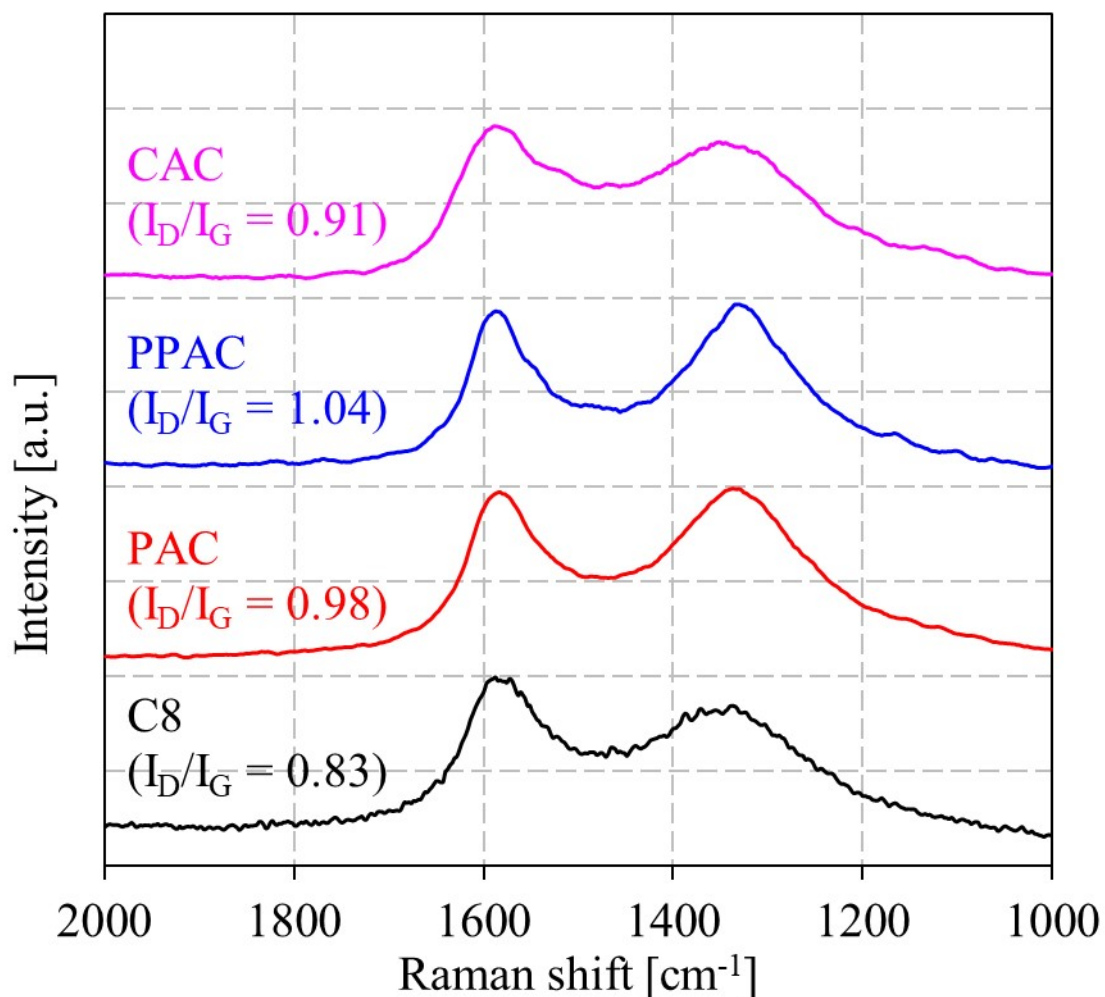
## Electronic supplementary information (ESI)

### Study on the applicability of pressurized physically activated carbon as an adsorbent in adsorption heat pumps

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#### 1. Raman spectroscopy

Raman spectra were obtained using a Raman spectrometer (NRS-3000, JASCO, Japan) employing a 532-nm Ar-ion laser as the excitation source. Intensity ratio of D band and G band,  $I_D/I_G$ , was calculated from the peak intensities at  $1350\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (D band) and  $1580\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (G band) in the Raman spectra.



**Figure S1.** Raman spectra of starting carbonized material (C6), and the activated carbons derived via different activation methods (PAC, PPAC, and CAC).

## 2. Elemental composition

Elemental compositions of samples were analyzed using a CHN analyzer (MT-5, Yanako, Japan). The assay of O content ( $O_{\text{diff}}$ ) was defined by subtracting the sum of the contents of C, H, and N from 100%.

**Table S1.** Elemental composition of starting carbonized material (C6), and the activated carbons derived via different activation methods (PAC, PPAC, and CAC).

Sample	C [wt.%]	H [wt.%]	N [wt.%]	$O_{\text{diff}}$ [wt.%] <sup>a</sup>	Ash [wt.%]	$O_{\text{diff}}/C$
C6	90.19	2.23	0.22	7.36	n.d. <sup>b</sup>	0.062
PAC	96.53	0.33	0.08	3.06	n.d. <sup>b</sup>	0.024
PAPC	93.66	0.34	0.09	5.91	n.d. <sup>b</sup>	0.047
CAC	95.15	0.02	0.14	4.69	n.d. <sup>b</sup>	0.037

<sup>a</sup>  $O_{\text{diff}} = 100 - (H + C + N)$ .

<sup>b</sup> Not detected.