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Non-stackable molecules assemble into porous crystals displaying concerted cavity-changing motions

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Experimental Section

1) General Information

General Considerations. Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used as received. Toluene used for synthesis of the compound 1 was saturated with nitrogen and purified by passage through activated Al_2O_3 columns under nitrogen (Innovative Technology SPS PureSolv MD4). The compound **TI** was synthesized according to the previously reported procedure.¹ All air-sensitive manipulations were carried out under argon atmosphere by standard Schlenk-line techniques.

Physical Measurements. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a 850 MHz Bruker AnNACE III HD spectrometer or a 300 MHz Bruker Advance DPX-300 spectrometer. Chemical shifts were referenced to the residual solvent peaks.² High-resolution electrospray ionization (ESI) mass spectra were obtained on an ESI-Q-TOF mass spectrometer (Compact, Bruker Daltonics Inc) at the Organic Chemistry Research Center at Sogang University. FT-IR spectra were recorded on a PerkinElmer Spectrum Two N FT-NIR Spectrometer. Gas adsorption and desorption isotherms were recorded on a BELSORP-max. Powder XRD patterns were recorded on a Rayonix MX225HS CCD area detector diffractometer using synchrotron radiation (BL2D-SMC at PLSII, $\lambda = 1.20000$ Å) or LYNXEYE XE detector using CuK α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5406$ Å). Melting points were measured by IA9100 melting point apparatus (Barnstead International).

Gas Sorption Studies. The gas adsorption–desorption isotherms were obtained using a BELSORPmax. Prior to adsorption measurements, bulk powder samples of **1** (ca 50 mg) was evacuated ($P < 10^{-5}$ mbar) at r.t. for 24 h or at 100 °C for 3 h. The pore size distribution curve, derived from the adsorption branch of nitrogen isotherm at 77 K, was analyzed by using nonlocal density functional theory (NLDFT).³

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³ G. Kupgan, T. P. Liyana-Arachchi and C. M. Colina, NLDFT pore size distribution in amorphous microporous materials. *Langmuir*, 2017, **33**, 11138–11145.

2) Computations and Simulations

Molecular Electrostatic Potential (MEP) Map of 1. Geometry optimization of the molecule was performed with Gaussian '09 Revision E.01 software.⁴ The MEP map was generated on the geometry-optimized structure of 1 (B3LYP/6-31G(d) level).

Simulation of Powder X-Ray Diffraction (PXRD) Pattern. Simulated PXRD patterns were generated with the Mercury software using CIF files obtained without squeezing the solvent molecules ($\lambda = 1.20000$ Å).

Hirshfeld Surface of 1. Hirshfeld surfaces of solvent-squeezed 1A and 1B mapped with d_{norm} and corresponding fingerprint plots were calculated by using Crystal Explorer 17.5.⁵

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3) Synthetic Procedures

Compound 1. A 4-mL shell vial was charged with $Pd_2(dba)_3$ (5.7 mg, 0.0062 mmol) and $Me_4tBuXPhos$ (7.4 mg, 0.015 mmol) in the glovebox with argon atmosphere. Dry toluene (0.4 mL) was delivered via syringe. The resulting mixture was heated at 120 °C for 5 min. A separate 4-mL vial was loaded with **TI** (200 mg, 0.815 mmol), 1,4-dibromobenzene (81 mg, 0.34 mmol), and K_3PO_4 (174 mg, 0.817 mmol). The reaction vessel was sealed with a screw septum, and evacuated and backfilled with argon three times. Dry toluene (1.2 mL) and the pre-mixed catalyst solution was delivered via syringe. The reaction mixture was heated at 120 °C for 17 h under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t., and purified by flash column chromatography on SiO₂ (eluent: CH_2Cl_2). The isolated solid material was washed with EtOAc/hexane mixed-solvent (1:1, v/v, 25 mL) to afford **1** as a white solid (161 mg, 0.286 mmol, yield = 83%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ 7.90 (s, 2H), 7.42 (dd, J = 5.4, 3.2 Hz, 4H), 7.04 (dd, J = 5.4, 3.2 Hz, 4H), 5.57 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ 157.31, 144.62, 138.48, 126.10, 124.61, 118.90, 46.84. FT-IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3069, 3001, 2923, 2853, 1919, 1680, 1524, 1487, 1456, 1433, 1418, 1340, 1316, 1243, 1192, 1177, 1158, 1148, 1100, 1022, 981, 943, 911, 894, 869, 835, 788, 749, 741, 639, 622. HRMS (ESI, m/z) calcd. for $C_{38}H_{25}N_6$ [M + H]⁺ 565.2135, found 565.2137. m.p. > 400 °C.

Compound 2. A 4-mL shell vial was charged with $Pd_2(dba)_3$ (7.8 mg, 0.0085 mmol) and Me₄tBuXPhos (10.1 mg, 0.021 mmol) in the glovebox with argon atmosphere. Dry toluene (0.2 mL) was delivered via syringe. The resulting mixture was heated at 120 °C for 5 min. A separate 4-mL vial was loaded with TI (296 mg, 1.21 mmol), 1,3-dibromobenzene (121 mg, 0.51 mmol), and K_3PO_4 (281 mg, 2.06 mmol). The reaction vessel was sealed with a screw septum, and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen three times. Dry toluene (2.5 mL) and the pre-mixed catalyst solution was delivered via syringe. The reaction mixture was heated at 120 °C for 23 h under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t., diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (150 mL), and washed with brine (50 mL). The organic fraction was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography on SiO₂ (eluent: CH_2Cl_2 /hexane (1:1, v/v) $\rightarrow CH_2Cl_2$ only) to afford **2** as a white solid (201 mg, 0.356 mmol, yield = 70%). ¹H NMR (850 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ 8.48 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.0Hz, 2H), 7.43 (m, 8H), 7.36 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (m, 8H), 5.57 (s, 4H). ¹³C NMR (214 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ 157.13, 144.46, 141.13, 129.96, 125.98, 124.49, 115.11, 108.08, 46.70. FT-IR (ATR. cm^{-1}): 3007, 2923, 2052, 1734, 1648, 1607, 1554, 1505, 1484, 1472, 1456, 1417, 1361, 1328, 1316, 1271, 1244, 1219, 1190, 1180, 1158, 1090, 1062, 1021, 948, 912, 877, 850, 828, 771, 748, 725, 680,649, 634, 620. HRMS (ESI, m/z) calcd. for $C_{38}H_{24}N_6Na [M + Na]^+$ 587.1955, found 587.1958. This compound thermally degrades at around T = 375-380 °C to a dark brown material, which melts at T ≈ 390 °C.

Compound 3. A 4-mL shell vial was charged with $Pd_2(dba)_3$ (4.1 mg, 0.0045 mmol) and $Me_4tBuXPhos$ (5.2 mg, 0.011 mmol) in the glovebox with argon atmosphere. Dry toluene (0.2 mL) was delivered via syringe. The resulting mixture was heated at 120 °C for 5 min. A separate 4-mL vial was loaded with **TI** (150 mg, 0.612 mmol), 1,3,5-tribromobenzene (53.7 mg, 0.171 mmol), and K_3PO_4 (217 mg, 1.02 mmol). The reaction vessel was sealed with a screw septum, and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen three times. Dry toluene (0.7 mL) and the pre-mixed catalyst solution was delivered via syringe. The reaction mixture was heated at 120 °C for 24 h under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t., diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (100 mL), and washed with brine (50 mL). The organic fraction was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude mixture was purified by flash column chromatography on SiO₂ (eluent: $CH_2Cl_2/hexane (1:1, v/v) \rightarrow CH_2Cl_2$ only) to afford **3** as a white solid (130 mg, 0.161 mmol, yield)

= 95%). ¹H NMR (850 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ 8.30 (s, 3H), 7.43 (m, 12H), 7.05 (m, 12H), 5.55 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (214 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K): δ 157.21, 144.36, 141.65, 126.00, 124.50, 104.64, 46.67. FT-IR (ATR, cm⁻¹): 3065, 2324, 2163, 2052, 1982, 1912, 1611, 1563, 1505, 1476, 1457, 1410, 1309, 1254, 1193, 1155, 1143, 1078, 1023, 977, 931, 912, 885, 854, 823, 779, 739, 729, 705, 675, 634, 616. HRMS (ESI, m/z) calcd. for C₅₄H₃₃N₉Na [M + Na]⁺ 830.2751, found 830.2755. m.p. > 400 °C.

4) PXRD Experiments

General Considerations for PXRD Measurements. Synchrotron powder X-ray diffraction data were obtained in transmission mode as Debye–Scherrer pattern with 100 mm sample-to-detector distance and 60 s exposure time on a Rayonix MX225HS CCD area detector with a fixed wavelength $(\lambda = 1.20000 \text{ Å})$ on BL2D-SMC at Pohang Accelerator Laboratory (PAL) in Korea. The PAL BL2D-SMDC program⁶ was used for data collection. The Fit2D program⁷ was used for the conversion of integrated two-dimensional (2-D) patterns to one-dimensional (1-D) patterns, wavelength and detector refinement, and the calibration measurement of a National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Si 640c standard sample. The initial powder X-ray diffraction data (Fig. S1d) was recorded on a LYNXEYE XE detector using CuK α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5406 \text{ Å}$) on D8 ADVANCE with DAVINCI. The 2θ values in the plot were adjusted to 1.2000 Åusing the Bragg's law.

Preparation of Bulk Powder Samples of 1A, 1B, 1C, and 1Z. A portion of pentane (40 mL) was poured rapidly into a chloroform solution of 1 (1.0 mg/mL, 10 mL), and the mixture was vigorously agitated to induce immediate precipitation. The PXRD patterns of the isolated solid material confirmed that the bulk is comprised of the **1A** phase. Drying under reduced pressure (0.1 mbar) at T = 373 K converted **1A** to **1C**. On the other hand, one-day aging of **1A** in the mother liquor transformed it into **1B**, as analyzed by PXRD on the harvested sample. Drying of **1B** powder sample under reduced pressure (0.1 mbar) at T = 373 K yielded activated **1B** with a small amount of **1C**. Drying of **1B** powder at T = 483 K in a 0.4-mm diameter (wall thickness = 0.01 mm) capillary (Hampton Research Inc. glass number 50) transformed it into **1Z**.

In Situ Variable Pressure PXRD Measurements. Powder samples were packed in a 0.4-mm diameter (wall thickness = 0.01 mm) capillary (Hampton Research Inc. glass number 50) in the presence of solvent. In situ variable pressure PXRD measurements were carried out by using a custom-built apparatus equipped with vacuum manifold and goniometer head. Before data collection, sample powder was outgassed at T = 393 K under vacuum until its PXRD pattern consistently showed a pure phase. After activation, the sample was cooled to the measurement temperature by using a cryostream at T = 90 K under vacuum. At each step of variable pressure PXRD measurement, nitrogen gas (ca. 99.9999%) was introduced to the capillary. A fine adjustable needle valve (Swagelok Company) was used to control the pressure from vacuum to 756 torr. At the designated pressure, the sample was allowed to equilibrate for at least 10–15 min prior to recording the diffraction patterns.

Variable Temperature PXRD Measurements. Crystalline samples were gently ground in an agate mortar and packed in a 0.4-mm diameter (wall thickness = 0.01 mm) capillary (Hampton Research Inc. glass number 50) in the presence of solvent. For the variable temperature PXRD measurements, the capillary tube was attached to a custom-made goniometer head with an opening to air and temperature-controlled N₂ stream with a blower equipment (Leister LE MINI Sensor Kit with 5-mm nozzle). The diffraction patterns were measured by varying the temperature from T = 25 to 325 °C. At the targeted temperature, the sample was allowed to equilibrate for at least 10–15 min prior to recording the diffraction patterns.

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5) SC-XRD Experiments

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 1A. Single crystals of 1A and 1B were prepared by vapor diffusion of pentane into a chloroform solution of 1. A colorless needle-shaped crystal of 1A (approximate dimensions $0.12 \times 0.08 \times 0.04 \text{ mm}^3$) was isolated by a nylon loop with Parabar 10312 (Hampton Research Inc.), and mounted on a PHOTON 100 CMOS diffractometer. The data collection was carried out using CuK α radiation and the crystal was kept at T = 223(2) K. A total 36539 reflections were measured ($15.430^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 154.724^{\circ}$). The structure was solved with SHELXT⁸ using the intrinsic phasing method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation with SHELXL⁹ package of OLEX2.¹⁰ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A total of 3900 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.1200 ($I \geq 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.3248 (all data). $C_{38}H_{24}N_6 \cdot 2(C_5H_{12})$, M = 708.92 g/mol, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ (no. 14), a = 11.9199(8) Å, b = 6.4841(4) Å, c = 24.7395(15) Å, $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 91.495(4)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V =1911.5(2) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.232$ g/cm³. CCDC: 1980363.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 1A with Disordered Lattice Solvent Molecules Squeezed. The final refinements of 1A were performed using the SQUEEZE routine of PLATON package¹¹ with the modification of the structure factors for the contribution of the disordered lattice solvent electron densities. A total 3968 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.0890 ($I \ge 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.2520 (all data). C₃₈H₂₄N₆, M =564.63 g/mol, monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ (no. 14), a = 11.9199(8) Å, b = 6.4841(4) Å, c = 24.7395(15) Å, $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 91.495(4)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 1911.5(2) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 0.981$ g/cm³. CCDC: 1980364.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 1B. A colorless needle-shaped crystal of 1B (approximate dimensions $0.3 \times 0.07 \times 0.05 \text{ mm}^3$) was coated with Parabar 10312 (Hampton Research Inc.) to mount on the micro-loop under cold nitrogen stream at T = 100(2) K. The diffraction data measured using synchrotron radiation ($\lambda = 0.70000$ Å) employing a PLSII-2D SMC on a Rayonix MX225HS CCD area detector with high precision one-axis goniostat at Pohang Accelerator Laboratory, Korea. The PAL BL2D-SMDC program⁶ was used for data collection, and HKL3000sm (Ver.717)¹² was used for cell refinement, reduction, and absorption correction. The structure was solved with SHELXT⁸ using intrinsic phasing method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation with SHELXL⁹ package of OLEX2.¹⁰ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A total of 11925 reflections were measured ($2.572^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 49.998^{\circ}$). A total of 6007 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.1136 ($I \geq 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.3197 (all data). C₃₈H₂₄N₆·C₅H₁₂, M = 636.78 g/mol, triclinic, $P\bar{1}$ (no. 2), a = 6.3260(13) Å, b = 15.778(3) Å, c = 16.684(3) Å, $\alpha = 81.36(3)^{\circ}$, $\beta = 89.31(3)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 88.89(3)^{\circ}$, V = 1646.0(6) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.285$ g/cm³. CCDC: 1980365.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 1B with Disordered Lattice Solvent Molecules Squeezed. The final refinements of 1B were performed using the SQUEEZE routine of PLATON package¹¹ with the modification of the structure factors for the contribution of the disordered lattice solvent electron densities. A total of 6007 unique reflections were used in all

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calculations. The final R1 was 0.1022 $(I \ge 2\sigma(I))$ and wR2 was 0.045 (all data). C₃₈H₂₄N₆, M = 564.63 g/mol, triclinic, $P\bar{1}$ (no. 2), a = 6.3260(13) Å, b = 15.778(3) Å, c = 16.684(3) Å, $\alpha = 81.36(3)^{\circ}$, $\beta = 89.31(3)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 88.89(3)^{\circ}$, V = 1646.0(6) Å³, Z = 2, $D_{c} = 1.139$ g/cm³. CCDC: 1980366.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 1C. Single crystals of 1C were prepared by vacuum drying (T = 373 K) of the crystalline material that was precipitated by vapor diffusion of pentane into a chloroform solution of 1. A colorless needle-shaped crystal of 1C (approximate dimensions $0.1 \times 0.02 \times 0.02$ mm³) was coated with Parabar 10312 (Hampton Research Inc.) to mount on the micro-loop under cold nitrogen stream at T = 223(2) K. The diffraction data measured using synchrotron radiation ($\lambda = 0.65303$ Å) employing a PLSII-2D SMC on a Rayonix MX225HS CCD area detector with high precision one-axis goniostat at Pohang Accelerator Laboratory, Korea. The PAL BL2D-SMDC program⁶ was used data collection, and HKL3000sm (Ver.717)¹² was used for cell refinement, reduction, and absorption correction. The structure was solved with SHELXT⁸ using intrinsic phasing method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation with SHELXL⁹ package of OLEX2.¹⁰ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A total of 13497 reflections were measured ($3.108^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 53.994^{\circ}$). A total of 4067 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.0753 ($I \geq 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.2131 (all data). $C_{38}H_{24}N_6$, M = 564.63 g/mol, monoclinic, $P2_1/n$ (no. 14), a = 9.2440(19) Å, b = 6.6490(13) Å, c = 24.353(5) Å, $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta =$ $98.58(3)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 1480.1(5) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.267$ g/cm³. CCDC: 1980367.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 1Z. Single crystals of 1Z were prepared by heating 1B powder sample confined in a capillary at T > 448 K. A colorless needle-shaped crystal of 1Z (approximate dimensions $0.013 \times 0.008 \times 0.002 \text{ mm}^3$) was coated with Parabar 10312 (Hampton Research Inc.) to mount on the micro-loop under cold nitrogen stream at T = 298(2)K. The diffraction data was measured using synchrotron radiation ($\lambda = 0.70000$ Å) employing a PLSII-2D SMC on a Rayonix MX225HS CCD area detector with high precision one-axis goniostat at Pohang Accelerator Laboratory, Korea. The PAL BL2D-SMDC program⁶ was used data collection, and HKL3000sm (Ver.717)¹² was used for cell refinement, reduction, and absorption correction. The structure was solved with SHELXT⁸ using intrinsic phasing method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation with SHELXL⁹ package of OLEX2.¹⁰ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A total of 15059 reflections were measured ($3.772^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 49.670^{\circ}$). A total of 4677 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.0659 ($I \geq 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.1850 (all data). $C_{38}H_{24}N_6$, M = 564.63 g/mol, monoclinic, $P2_1/n$ (no. 14), a = 6.4290(13) Å, b = 14.653(3) Å, c = 15.517(3) Å, $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 94.96(3)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 1456.3(5) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.288$ g/cm³. CCDC: 1980368.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 2. Single crystals of 2 were prepared by vapor diffusion of pentane into a chloroform solution of 2. A colorless block-shaped crystal of 2 (approximate dimensions $0.25 \times 0.165 \times 0.081 \text{ mm}^3$) was isolated by a nylon loop with Parabar 10312 (Hampton Research Inc.), and mounted on a four-circle diffractometer. The data collection was carried out using CuK α radiation and the crystal was kept at T = 93(2) K. A total 22039 reflections were measured ($8.844^\circ \leq 2\theta \leq 157.79^\circ$). The structure was solved with SHELXT⁸ using the intrinsic phasing method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation with SHELXL⁹ package of OLEX2.¹⁰ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A total of 7391 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.0523 ($I \geq 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.1410 (all data). C₃₈H₂₄N₆·2(CHCl₃), M = 803.37 g/mol, triclinic, $P\bar{1}$ (no. 2), a = 11.6072(2) Å, b = 11.69065(19) Å, c = 15.3099(2) Å, $\alpha = 100.1144(13)^\circ$, $\beta = 104.4568(15)^\circ$, $\gamma = 112.6428(16)^\circ$, V = 1768.75(6) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.508$ g/cm³. CCDC: 2048700.

Single-Crystal X-ray Crystallographic Studies on 3. Single crystals of 3 were prepared by vapor diffusion of pentane into a chloroform solution of 3. A colorless needle-shaped crystal of 3 (approximate dimensions $0.57 \times 0.089 \times 0.057 \text{ mm}^3$) was isolated by a nylon loop with Parabar 10312 (Hampton Research Inc.), and mounted on a four-circle diffractometer. The data collection was carried out using CuK α radiation and the crystal was kept at T = 93(2) K. A total 1365 reflections were measured ($7.314^{\circ} \leq 2\theta \leq 157.302^{\circ}$). The structure was solved with SHELXT⁸ using the intrinsic phasing method, and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation with SHELXL⁹ package of OLEX2.¹⁰ All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. A total of 10333 unique reflections were used in all calculations. The final R1 was 0.0797 ($I \geq 2\sigma(I)$) and wR2 was 0.2517 (all data). C₅₄H₃₃N₉·1.6(CHCl₃), M = 988.88 g/mol, triclinic, $P\bar{1}$ (no. 2), a = 11.7152(3) Å, b = 12.5774(3) Å, c = 17.5509(6) Å, $\alpha = 99.811(2)^{\circ}$, $\beta = 93.572(2)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 101.070(2)^{\circ}$, V = 2488.73(12) Å³, Z = 2, $D_c = 1.333$ g/cm³. CCDC: 2048701.

6) Validation Reply Forms

Validation Reply Form: Detailing any alerts in the 1A crystal structure. _vrf_PLAT097_ALERT_2_B

Problem: Large Reported Max. (Positive) Residual Density 0.82 eA-3

Response: The large channels within **1A** were occupied by heavily disordered solvent molecules that could not be modeled perfectly. This deviation of the model from the observed electron density resulted in such residual densities. While this problem could be solved by squeezing all the disordered solvent molecules, simulation of powder diffraction patterns required unprocessed raw data. We thus decided to report both "unsqueezed" and "squeezed" crystallographic data.

Validation Reply Form: Detailing any alerts in the 1Z crystal structure. _vrf_PLAT026_ALERT_3_B

Problem: Ratio Observed / Unique Reflections (too) Low ... 33% Check

Response: The diffraction spots' weak intensities were inevitable due to the extremely small crystal size of $1\mathbb{Z}$ (0.013×0.008×0.002 mm³).

7) Supplementary Tables

$D-H\cdots A$	$d(\mathrm{D-H})$	$d(\mathbf{H}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	$d(\mathbf{D}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	∠DHA
$ m C(17)-H(17)\cdots N(1)$	0.94	2.51	2.830(7)	100.0
$\mathrm{C}(19) ext{-}\mathrm{H}(19)\cdots\mathrm{N}(3)$	0.94	2.53	2.839(6)	99.1
$C(13)-H(13)\cdots N(3)\#2$	0.99	2.38	3.366(5)	173.5

Table S1. Hydrogen bonds for 1A [Å and °]

Table S2.	Hydrogen	bonds for	1A_squeezed	[Å	and $^{\circ}$]
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$D-H\cdots A$	d(D-H)	$d(\mathrm{H}\cdots\mathrm{A})$	$d(\mathbf{D}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	∠DHA
$C(13)-H(13)\cdots N(3)\#2$	0.99	2.38	3.366(4)	173.5
$\mathrm{C}(1) ext{-}\mathrm{H}(1)\cdots\mathrm{N}(1)$	0.94	2.51	2.831(5)	100.0
$\mathrm{C}(3) ext{-}\mathrm{H}(3)\cdots\mathrm{N}(3)$	0.94	2.51	2.829(5)	99.7

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+2,-y,-z+1 #2 x,y+1,z

Table S3. Hydrogen bonds for 1B [Å and °]

$D-H\cdots A$	d(D-H)	$d(\mathrm{H}\!\cdot\!\cdot\!\cdot\mathrm{A})$	$d(\mathbf{D}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	∠DHA
$C(6A)-H(6A)\cdots N(1A)#3$	1.00	2.37	3.363(5)	174.3
$C(13B)-H(13B)\cdots N(3B)\#4$	1.00	2.37	3.371(5)	174.4

Table S4. Hydrogen bonds for 1B_squeezed [Å and °]

$D-H\cdots A$	d(D-H)	$d(\mathbf{H}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	$d(\mathbf{D}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	∠DHA
$C(6A)-H(6A)\cdots N(1A)\#3$	1.00	2.37	3.367(4)	174.3
$C(13B)-H(13B)\cdots N(3B)\#4$	1.00	2.37	3.369(4)	174.5

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

$D-H\cdots A$	d(D-H)	$d(\mathrm{H}\!\cdot\!\cdot\!\cdot\mathrm{A})$	$d(\mathbf{D}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	∠DHA
$C(13)-H(13)\cdots N(3)\#2$	0.99	2.47	3.391(3)	154.4
${ m C}(3) ext{-}{ m H}(3)\cdots{ m N}(3)$	0.94	2.51	2.825(3)	99.8

Table S5. Hydrogen bonds for 1C [Å and $^{\circ}$]

Table S6.	Hydrogen	bonds for	r 1Z	[Å and	°]
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$D-H\cdots A$	d(D-H)	$d(\mathrm{H}\!\cdot\!\cdot\!\cdot\mathrm{A})$	$d(\mathbf{D}\cdots\mathbf{A})$	∠DHA
$C(13)-H(13)\cdots N(1)\#2$	0.98	2.45	3.415(3)	170.0

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x,-y+1,-z+1 #2 x+1,y,z

Table S7. Crystallographically determined metric parameters for $C-H\cdots\pi$ interaction observed in four polymorphs of **1**. The central phenyl, triazole, and pheripheral phenyl rings are labeled as plane A, B, and C. Key $C-H\cdots\pi$ interactions are highlighted with gray boxes.

	(C-H)	$\theta_{\rm LC}$ (dog)	
	Carbon to rms plane	Carbon to plane centroid	VAC (deg)
1A	3.594(8)	4.463(5)	63.1(2)
$1\mathrm{B}$	2.982(8)	4.781(4)	74.08(14)
$1\mathrm{C}$	3.517(4)	3.681(3)	63.21(11)
$1\mathbf{Z}$	$3.305(4)^*$	3.785(3)	27.10(10)
	(C-H)	$_{\rm C} \cdots \pi_{\rm B} ({\rm \AA})$	Ang (dog)
	Carbon to rms plane	Carbon to plane centroid	oBC (deg)
1A	3.441(4)	3.505(4)	57.63(13)
$1\mathrm{B}$	3.485(4)	3.527(4)	60.72(13)
$1\mathrm{C}$	3.410(3)	3.447(3)	64.20(10)
$1\mathbf{Z}$	3.404(3)	3.697(3)	45.28(9)
	(C-H)	$_{\rm C} \cdots \pi_{\rm C} ({\rm \AA})$	Arra (dog)
	Carbon to rms plane	Carbon to plane centroid	VCC (deg)
1A	3.592(5)	3.675(4)	45.48(19)
$1\mathrm{B}$	3.502(4)	3.561(4)	43.26(10)
$1\mathrm{C}$	3.629(3)	3.942(3)	84.75(9)
$1\mathrm{C}$	3.430(5)	4.363(3)	84.75(9)
$1\mathbf{Z}$	3.665(4)	3.703(4)	85.16(11)



* In this case, the interplanar angle between the two π -surfaces is relatively small (27.10(10)°). As such, the interaction between the two π -planes might be better described as $\pi \cdots \pi$ interaction, rather than C–H··· π interaction. The interplanar distance, measured between the centroid of one aromatic ring and the mean plan of the other aromatic ring, is 3.774(2) Å.

Dolumorphs of 1	Unit cell density	Solvent-accessible	Maximum radius of a spherical probe
	(g/cm^3)	surface area $(m^2/g)^a$	to fit inside the channels (\AA)
1A	0.981	1629	2.6
$1\mathrm{B}$	1.139	1010	1.9
$1\mathrm{C}$	1.267	140	1.3
$1\mathbf{Z}$	1.288	45	1.3

Table S8. Metric parameters of relevance to the cavity dimensions.

^{*a*} Determined by using a spherical probe of r=1 Å probe.

	$1 \cdot 2(\mathrm{C_5H_{12}})$
Chemical formula	$ m C_{38}H_{24}N_6\cdot 2(m C_5H_{12})$
Formula weight	708.92
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$
Color of crystal	colorless
$D_{ m c}$	$1.232~{ m g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	11.9199(8)
b (Å)	6.4841(4)
c (Å)	24.7395(15)
lpha (°)	90
β (°)	91.495(4)
γ (°)	90
Volume (Å ³)	1911.5(2)
Z	2
$\mathrm{R(int)}$	0.1136
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.1200, wR2 = 0.2968
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.1542, wR2 = 0.3248
GOF	1.088

Table S9. Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 1A.

 ${\bf Table \ S10.}\ {\bf Summary \ of \ X-ray \ crystallographic \ data \ of \ {\bf 1A_squeezed}.$

	1
Chemical formula	$C_{38}H_{24}N_6$
Formula weight	564.63
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_{1}/c$
Color of crystal	$\operatorname{colorless}$
$D_{ m c}$	$0.981~{ m g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	11.9199(8)
b (Å)	6.4841(4)
c (Å)	24.7395(15)
lpha (°)	90
eta (°)	91.495(4)
γ (°)	90
Volume $(Å^3)$	1911.5(2)
Z	2
m R(int)	0.1136
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.0890, wR2 = 0.2342
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.1163, wR2 = 0.2520
GOF	1.070

	$1\cdot\mathrm{C}_{5}\mathrm{H}_{12}$
Chemical formula	$C_{38}H_{24}N_6 \cdot C_5H_{12}$
Formula weight	636.78
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	$P\overline{1}$
Color of crystal	colorless
D_{c}	$1.285 \mathrm{~g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	6.3260(13)
b (Å)	15.778(3)
c (Å)	16.684(3)
lpha (°)	81.36(3)
eta (°)	89.31(3)
γ (°)	88.89(3)
Volume $(Å^3)$	1646.0(6)
Z	2
m R(int)	0.0395
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.1136, wR2 = 0.2996
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.1359, wR2 = 0.3197
GOF	1.218

Table S11. Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 1B.

 Table S12.
 Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 1B_squeezed.

	1
Chemical formula	$C_{38}H_{24}N_6$
Formula weight	564.63
Crystal system	$\operatorname{triclinic}$
Space group	$P\overline{1}$
Color of crystal	colorless
$D_{ m c}$	$1.139 \mathrm{~g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	6.3260(13)
b (Å)	15.778(3)
c (Å)	16.684(3)
lpha (°)	81.36(3)
eta (°)	89.31(3)
γ (°)	88.89(3)
Volume $(Å^3)$	1646.0(6)
Z	2
$\mathrm{R(int)}$	0.0395
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.1022, wR2 = 0.2881
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.1222, wR2 = 0.3045
GOF	1.151

	1
Chemical formula	$C_{38}H_{24}N_6$
Formula weight	564.63
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/n$
Color of crystal	colorless
$D_{ m c}$	$1.267~{ m g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	9.2440(19)
b (Å)	6.6490(13)
c (Å)	24.353(5)
lpha (°)	90
eta (°)	98.58(3)
γ (°)	90
Volume (Å ³)	1480.1(5)
Z	2
m R(int)	0.1076
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.0753, wR2 = 0.1795
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.1480, wR2 = 0.2131
GOF	0.931

Table S13. Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 1C.

Table S14.Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 1Z.

	1
Chemical formula	$\mathrm{C}_{38}\mathrm{H}_{24}\mathrm{N}_{6}$
Formula weight	564.63
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/n$
Color of crystal	colorless
$D_{ m c}$	$1.288~{ m g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	6.4290(13)
b (Å)	14.653(3)
c (Å)	15.517(3)
lpha (°)	90
β (°)	94.96(3)
γ (°)	90
Volume $(Å^3)$	1456.3(5)
Z	2
$\mathrm{R(int)}$	0.2042
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.0659, wR2 = 0.1452
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.2053, wR2 = 0.1850
GOF	0.791

	$2 \cdot 2(\mathrm{CHCl}_3)$
Chemical formula	$C_{40}H_{26}Cl_6N_6$
Formula weight	803.37
Crystal system	$\operatorname{triclinic}$
Space group	$P\overline{1}$
Color of crystal	colorless
D_{c}	$1.508 \mathrm{~g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	11.6072(2)
b (Å)	11.69065(19)
c (Å)	15.3099(2)
α (°)	100.1144(13)
β (°)	104.4568(15)
γ (°)	112.6428(16)
Volume (Å ³)	1768.75(6)
Z	2
m R(int)	0.0433
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.0523, wR2 = 0.1384
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.0550, wR2 = 0.1410
GOF	1.096

Table S15. Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 2.

 Table S16.
 Summary of X-ray crystallographic data of 3.

	$3 \cdot 1.6(\mathrm{CHCl}_3)$
Chemical formula	$C_{54}H_{33}N_9 \cdot 1.6(CHCl_3)$
Formula weight	998.88
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	$P\overline{1}$
Color of crystal	colorless
$D_{ m c}$	$1.333~{ m g/cm^3}$
a (Å)	11.7152(3)
b (Å)	12.5774(3)
c (Å)	17.5509(6)
lpha (°)	99.811(2)
eta (°)	93.572(2)
γ (°)	101.070(2)
Volume $(Å^3)$	2488.73(12)
Z	2
$\mathrm{R(int)}$	0.0606
Final R indices $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	R1 = 0.0797, wR2 = 0.2420
Final R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.0868, wR2 = 0.2517
GOF	1.047

8) Supplementary Figures



Fig. S1. (a) Initial sorption data of thermally activated crystalline 1 measured for (a) N₂ at T = 77 K, (b) H₂ at T = 77 K, and (c) CO₂ at T = 196 K. (d) Initial PXRD patterns obtained experimentally for thermally activated crystals of 1 (bottom), and simulated with the single-crystal structure of 1A (top).



Fig. S2. ORTEP diagrams, packing diagrams, and space groups for different polymorphs of 1. The ORTEP diagrams were generated with thermal ellipsoids at the 35% probability level. For 1A and 1B, packing diagrams were drawn with the solvent-accessible void space visualized by gray and green (inner and outer, respectively) curved planes to show open channels. The surfaces were generated with a r = 1.4 Å probe. For 1C and 1Z, solvent-accessible surfaces could not be generated, since r = 1.4 Å probe cannot access the pores.



Fig. S3. PXRD pattern changes of 1 recorded during the phase transitions. (a) Changes in the PXRD patterns for $\mathbf{1A} \rightarrow \mathbf{1B}$ transition. (b) Changes in the PXRD patterns for $\mathbf{1A} \rightarrow \mathbf{1C}$ transition. (c) Changes in the PXRD patterns for $\mathbf{1C} \rightarrow \mathbf{1A}$ transition. (d) Changes in the PXRD patterns for $\mathbf{1B} \rightarrow \mathbf{1Z}$ transition. (e) Changes in the PXRD patterns for $\mathbf{1Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{1B}$ transition.



Fig. S4. The (021) plane of $\mathbf{1B}$ crystal structure viewed from different perspectives.



Fig. S5. Adsorption (filled circles) and desorption (empty circles) isotherms of 1C measured for (a) N₂ and (b) H₂ at T = 90 K. (c) PXRD changes of 1C recorded during the entire N₂ adsorption process. (d) PXRD changes of 1C recorded during the entire N₂ desorption process. No noticeable changes were observed in the PXRD pattern during the adsorption and desorption cycle.



Fig. S6. Hirshfeld surfaces mapped by d_{norm} values for ((a) 1A, (c) 1B, (e) 1C, and (g) 1Z), and corresponding fingerprint plots ((b) 1A, (d) 1B, (f) 1C, and (h) 1Z) that highlight lateral assembly of 1. The C-H···N hydrogen bond distances ($d_{\text{C-H··N}}$) provided under the Hirshfeld surfaces denote the interatomic distance between hydrogen and nitrogen atoms.



Fig. S7. Pore distribution of activated 1B calculated from the N_2 sorption isotherm (NLDFT).



Fig. S8. ¹H NMR (300 MHz) spectrum of 1 in CDCl_3 (T = 298 K).



Fig. S9. ¹³C NMR (75 MHz) spectrum of 1 in CDCl₃ (T = 298 K).



Fig. S10. ¹H NMR (850 MHz) spectrum of 2 in CDCl₃ (T = 298 K).



Fig. S11. ¹³C NMR (214 MHz) spectrum of 2 in CDCl₃ (T = 298 K).



Fig. S12. ¹H NMR (850 MHz) spectrum of 3 in CDCl₃ (T = 298 K).



Fig. S13. ¹³C NMR (214 MHz) spectrum of 3 in CDCl₃ (T = 298 K).