

Electronic Supporting Information

A robust and porous titanium metal-organic framework for gas adsorption, CO₂ capture and conversion

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S1 Materials and Instruments

All chemicals were commercially available and used without further purification. IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet-iS50 FT-IR spectrophotometer with KBr pellets in the region of 4000-400 cm⁻¹. The powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) data were collected on a Rigaku SmartLab 9 kW Advance diffractionmeter with Cu-K α radiation ($\lambda=1.5418\text{ \AA}$) at 298 K. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) and mass spectrum was performed under nitrogen atmosphere on a Netzsch STA 449F5-QMS403C simultaneous TG/DSC-QMS analyzer with a heating rate of 20 °C/min. N₂ and CO₂ adsorption isotherms were measured on a Micromeritics ASAP 2460 system. The sample were degassed at 150 °C for 12 h prior to the measurements. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were measured on Bruker 500 MHz spectrometer by using tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the internal standard. SEM-Energy-dispersive X-Ray analysis (EDX) Particle morphologies and dimensions were studied with a Thermo Fisher Scientific FIB-SEM GX4 scanning electron microscope at an accelerating voltage of 20 kV.

Table S1 The reported Ti-MOFs with various Ti-O clusters

Entry	Metalcluster/core	Materials	Surface area	Ref
1	TiO ₆	ZTOF-2	S _{BET} =1878 m ² g ⁻¹	[1]
2	TiO ₆	NTU-9		[2]
3	TiO ₆	MIL-167		[3]
4	TiO ₆	MIL-168		[3]
5	TiO ₆	1-Ti		[4]
6	TiO ₆	MUV-11	S _{BET} =756 m ² g ⁻¹	[5]
7	TiO ₄ (μ ₂ -O) ₂	ACM-1	S _{BET} =1212 m ² g ⁻¹	[6]
8	TiO ₆ (μ ₂ -O)	COK-47	S _{BET} =573 m ² g ⁻¹	[7]
9	TiO ₆ (μ ₂ -O)	COK-47-bdc		[7]
10	TiO ₆ (μ ₂ -O)	COK-47-bpyrdc		[7]
11	Ti(C ₂ O ₄) ₃	Ti-CAT-5	S _{BET} =450 m ² g ⁻¹	[8]
12	Ti ₂ O ₁₁	MIL-169		[3]
13	Ti ₃ O	Ti-MIL-101		[9]
14	Ti ₃ (OH) ₂	Ti ₃ -BPDC	S _{BET} =636 m ² g ⁻¹	[10]

15	Ti ₃ (μ ₃ -O)	COK-69	S _{BET} = 29.13 m ² g ⁻¹	[11]
16	Ti ₃ (μ ₃ -O)	MIL-100(Ti)	S _{BET} = 1321 m ² g ⁻¹	[12]
17	Co ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O)	CTOF-1	S _{BET} = 637 m ² g ⁻¹	[13]
18	Co ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O)	CTOF-2	S _{BET} = 618 m ² g ⁻¹	[13]
19	Co ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O) (COO) ₆	PFC-20-Co ₂ Ti		[14]
20	Ni ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O) (COO) ₆	PFC-20-Ni ₂ Ti		[14]
21	Mn ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O) (COO) ₆	PFC-20-Mn ₂ Ti		[14]
22	Co ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O)	Co ₂ Ti-bdc-tpt	S _{BET} = 1369.8 m ² g ⁻¹	[15]
23	Mg ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O)	Mg ₂ Ti-bdc-tpt	S _{BET} = 1460.6 m ² g ⁻¹	[15]
24	Mg ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O)	Mg ₂ Ti-bdc-tppy	S _{BET} = 1599.1 m ² g ⁻¹	[15]
25	Mg ₂ Ti(μ ₃ -O)	Mg ₂ Ti-bdc-tpbz	S _{BET} = 1661.7 m ² g ⁻¹	[15]
26	Zn ₃ Ti(μ ₃ -OH)	ZTOF-1	S _{BET} = 1045 m ² g ⁻¹	[16]
27	Ti ₂ Ca ₂ (μ ₃ -O) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₄	MUV-10	S _{BET} = 1041 m ² g ⁻¹	[17]
28	Ti ₂ Ca ₂ (μ ₃ -O) ₂ (μ ₂ -H ₂ O) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₄	LCU-402	S _{BET} = 1460 m ² g ⁻¹	This work
29	[Ti ₅ (OAc) ₂ (OH) ₆] _n	Ti-TBP	S _{BET} = 527.7 m ² g ⁻¹	[18]
30	(Ti ₆ O ₉) _n	MIL-177-HT	S _{BET} = 690 m ² g ⁻¹	[19]
31	Ti ₆ (μ ₃ -O) ₆ (μ ₃ -OH) ₆	ZSTU-1	S _{BET} = 536 m ² g ⁻¹	[20]
32	Ti ₆ (μ ₃ -O) ₆ (μ ₃ -OH) ₆	ZSTU-2	S _{BET} = 628 m ² g ⁻¹	[20]
33	Ti ₆ (μ ₃ -O) ₆ (μ ₃ -OH) ₆	ZSTU-3	S _{BET} = 861 m ² g ⁻¹	[20]
34	Ti ₆ O ₆	MOF-901	S _{BET} = 550 m ² g ⁻¹	[21]
35	Ti ₆ O ₆	MOF-902	S _{BET} = 400 m ² g ⁻¹	[22]
36	Ti ₇ O ₆	PCN-22	S _{BET} = 1284 m ² g ⁻¹	[23]
37	Ti ₈ O ₈ (OH) ₄	MIL-125	S _{BET} = 1550 m ² g ⁻¹	[24]
38	Ti ₈ O ₈ (OH) ₄	NH ₂ -MIL-125	S _{BET} = 1302 m ² g ⁻¹	[25]
39	Ti ₈ (μ ₂ -O) ₈ (OAC) ₈	MIP-207	S _{BET} = 570 m ² g ⁻¹	[26]
40	Ti ₈ Zr ₂ O ₁₂	PCN-415	S _{BET} = 1550 m ² g ⁻¹	[27]
41	Ti ₈ Zr ₂ O ₁₂	PCN-416	S _{BET} = 1337 m ² g ⁻¹	[27]
42	Ti ₁₂ O ₁₅	MIL-177-LT	S _{BET} = 730 m ² g ⁻¹	[19]
43	Ti _n (μ ₂ -O) _n	DGIST-1	S _{BET} = 1957.3 m ² g ⁻¹	[28]

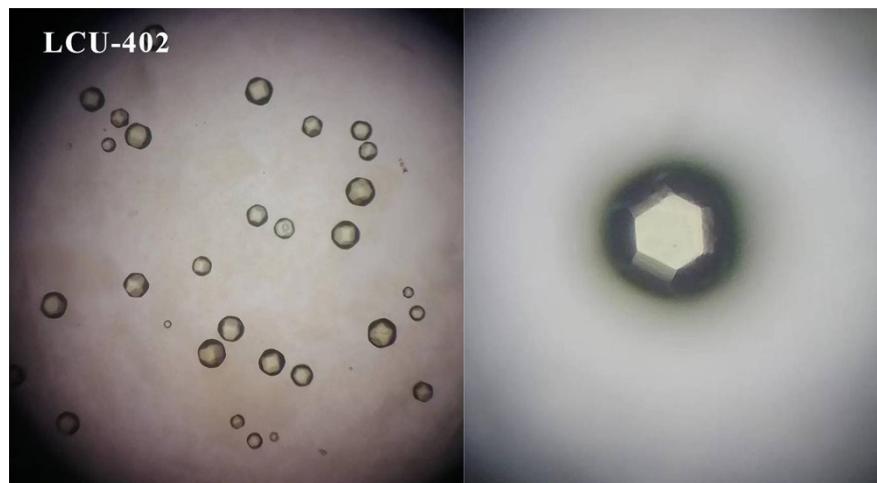


Fig. S1 Photographs of single crystals of LCU-402

S2 Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM-EDX)

Particle morphologies, dimensions, and SEM-Energy-dispersive X-Ray analysis (EDX) of LCU-402 solids were studied with a Thermo Fisher Scientific FIB-SEM GX4 scanning electron microscope at an accelerating voltage of 20 kV. Mapping of LCU-402 showing Ti (roseo) and Ca (yellow) confirms that element distribution is homogeneous.

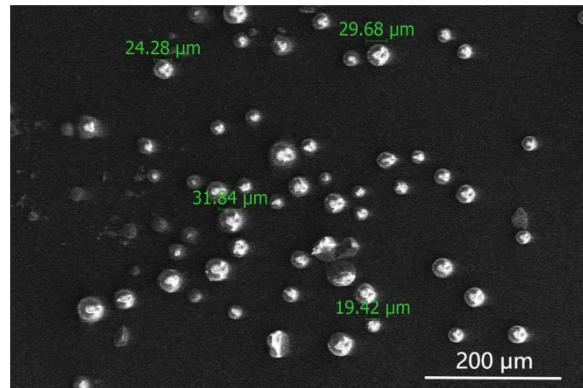


Fig. S2 Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) images of LCU-402.

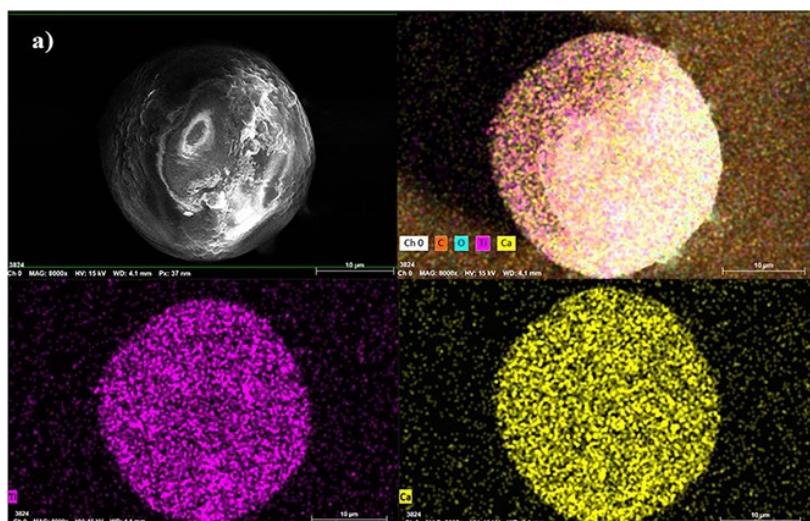


Fig. S3 Mapping of LCU-402 showing Ti (pink) and Ca (yellow)

S3 Single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis of LCU-402

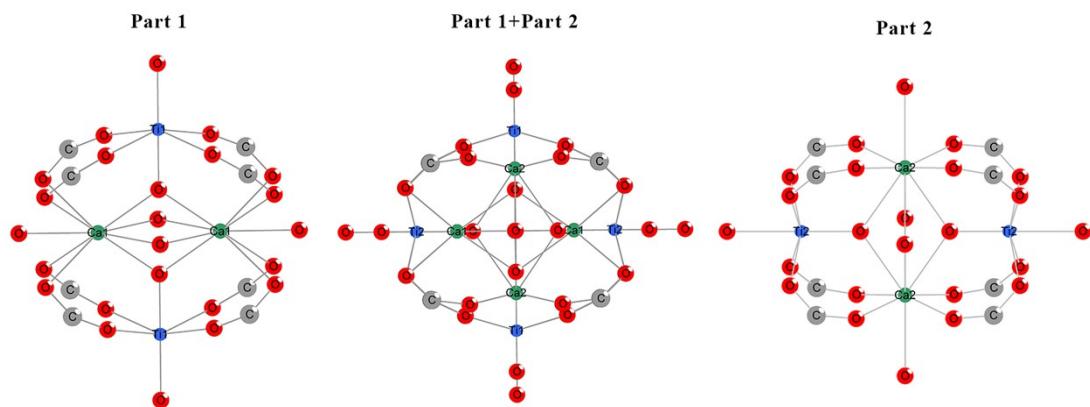


Fig. S4 ORTEP representation (50% probability) of the secondary building unit showing the two fragments PART 1 and PART 2 separately.

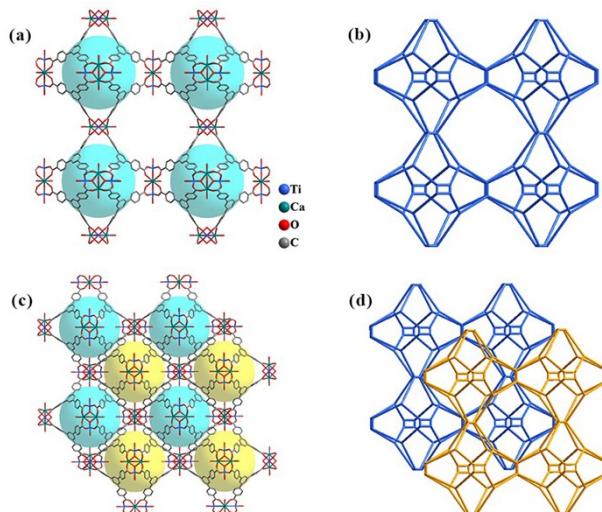


Fig. S5 8-c SBU links 3-c BTB and (3,8)-connected augmented the net.

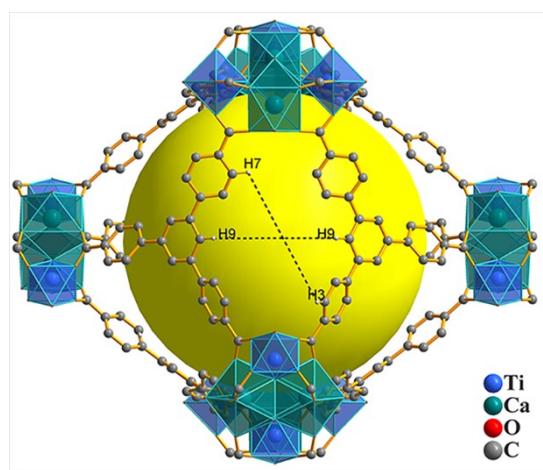


Fig. S6 the distance of H9...H9 and H3...H7

Table S2 Crystal data and structure refinements for LCU-402

	BTB-Ti-Ca
Empirical formula	C ₃₆ H _{25.31} CaO _{11.65} Ti
Formula weight	732.32
Crystal system	cubic
Space group	<i>Im-3</i>
a/Å	26.4097(2)
b/Å	26.4097(2)
c/Å	26.4097(2)
α/°	90
β/°	90
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	18420.0(4)
Z	12
ρ _{calc} g/cm ³	0.792
μ/mm ⁻¹	2.215
F(000)	4518.0
2θ range for data collection/°	6.694 to 144.74
Index ranges	-24 ≤ h ≤ 31, -31 ≤ k ≤ 29, -32 ≤ l ≤ 32
GoF on F ²	1.045
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	R1 = 0.0701, wR2 = 0.2013
Final R indexes [all data]	R1 = 0.0909, wR2 = 0.2218

S4 Thermogravimetric analysis

Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed under nitrogen atmosphere on a Netzsch STA 449F5-QMS403C. TGA plot (black line) shows the LCU-402 loses all solvents (water, DMF) with a weight loss of 34.9% before 250 °C. Then, with clear plateau, it started to decompose.

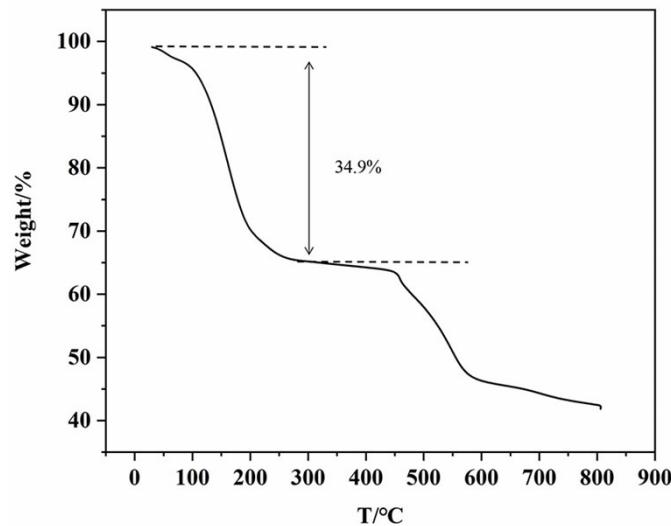


Fig. S7 TGA plot of as-synthesized LCU-402

S5 LCU-402 Pore size distribution

N_2 and CO_2 adsorption isotherms were measured on a Micromeritics ASAP 2460 system. The sample were degassed at 150 °C for 12 h prior to the measurements. Pore size distribution was analysed by using the solid density functional theory (NLDFT) for the adsorption branch assuming a cylindrical pore model.

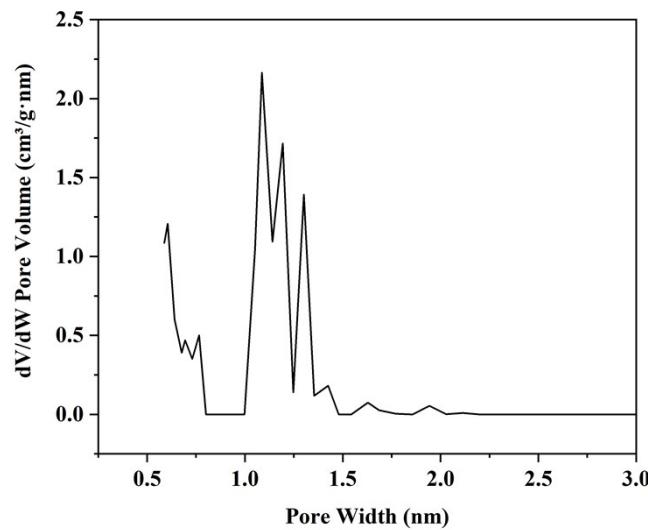


Fig. S8 LCU-402 Pore Size Distribution

S6 Isosteric heat of CO_2 adsorption (Qst)

The adsorption heat (Q_{st}) of hydrogen for the desolvated LCU-402 is fitted by Virial method using the data obtained from 273 K and 298 K with the following Equation:

$$\ln(P) = \ln(N) + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{i=0}^m a_i * N_i + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{j=0}^m b_j * N_j$$

N: adsorbed quantity (mg/g);

P: pressure (mmHg);

T: temperature (K);

a_i, b_j : constant;

R: 8.314 J·mol⁻¹·K⁻¹;

The isosteric enthalpy of adsorption (Q_{st}):

$$Q_{st} = \ln(P) = -R * \sum_{i=0}^m a_i * N_i$$

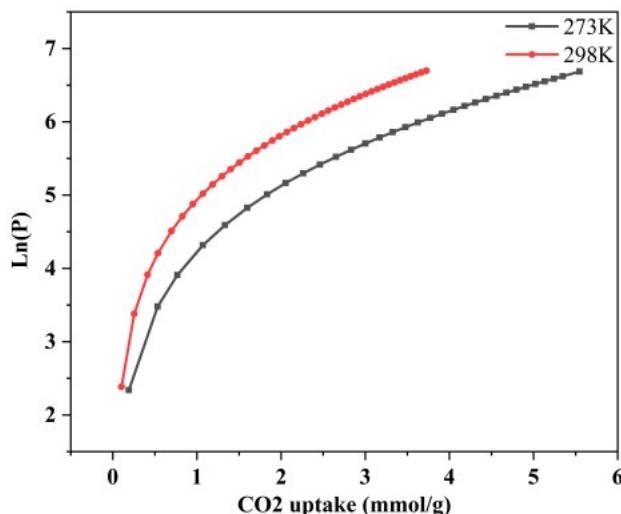


Fig. S9 Nonlinear curve fitting of CO₂ sorption isotherms for LCU-402 at 273 K and 298 K.

Table S3 Fit curve equation and factor.

		Value	Standard Error
273K	a0*	-2360.88925	11.35166
	a1*	99.60839	12.11314
	a2*	-44.62595	3.84775
	a3*	16.47407	1.47966
	a4*	-2.68098	0.29351
	a5*	0.16618	0.02099
	b0*	12.56056	0.03924
	b1*	0.08971	0.04187
	b2*	-0.02043	0.00978
	k	273	0
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298K	a2*	-44.62595	3.84775
	a3*	16.47407	1.47966
	a4*	-2.68098	0.29351
	a5*	0.16618	0.02099
	b0*	12.56056	0.03924
	b1*	0.08971	0.04187
	b2*	-0.02043	0.00978
	k	298	0

$$y = \ln(x) + 1/k * (a0 + a1*x + a2*x^2 + a3*x^3 + a4*x^4 + a5*x^5) + (b0 + b1*x + b2*x^2)$$

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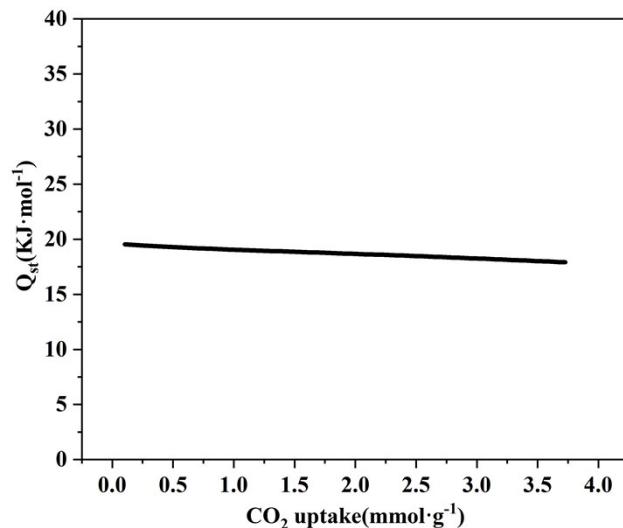


Fig. S10 Isosteric heat of adsorption (Q_{st}) calculated by the viral method

S7 IAST selectivity of LCU-402 for C₂H₆/C₂H₄ mixtures.

For adsorption isotherm data measured at 298 K, it was performed using the single point Langmuir-Freundlich isotherm model shown in Equation

$$q = q_{sat} \frac{bp^\nu}{1 + bp^\nu}$$

q: Adsorption quantity mmol/g

q_{sat}: The saturated adsorption amount of the site mmol/g

- b: Single-point Langmuir-Freundlich constant of a gas component at the adsorption site kPa
- V: Single-point Langmuir-Freundlich isotherm index
- P: Separation pressure of the gas components kPa

Table S4 Fit curve equation and factor.

		Value	Standard Error
C ₂ H ₄	A1	8.62414	0.11905
	B1	0.01887	2.65735E-4
	C1	0.94081	0.00909
C ₂ H ₆	A1	10.13142	0.21346
	B1	0.02708	5.10528E-4
	C1	0.86876	0.01333

Based on the fitting parameters of the single-point Langmuir-Freundlich isotherm model at 298 K, the selectivity of LCU-402 to the C₂H₆ and C₂H₄ components was calculated using the ideal solution adsorption theory (IAST).

$$S_{ads} = \frac{q_1/q_2}{y_1/y_2}$$

S_{ads} : selectivity

q: adsorption quantity

y: molar fraction in the mixture gas

S7 Fourier-Transform infrared spectrum

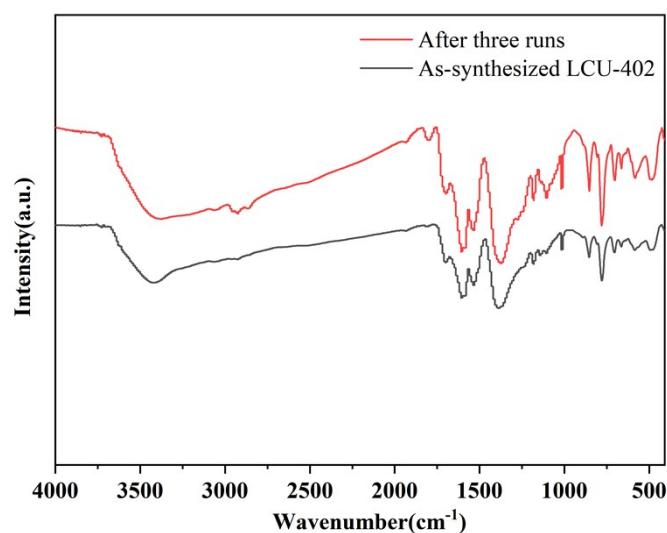


Fig. S11 The FT-IR spectrum of LCU-402 as-synthesized and after three catalytic runs.

S8 Cycloaddition reaction of CO₂ with epoxides

Details of experiments and calculation procedures of catalytic efficiency:

In a typical catalytic reaction under 1 bar, epoxide (4 mmol), TBAB (1 mmol, 5 mol%), LCU-402 (0.5 mol% for open Ti sites) were put into a 15 mL Schlenk tube with solvent free environment. After centrifuging to recycle the catalyst, a little supernatant reaction mixture was taken to get analyzed by ^1H NMR.

The yields of propylene oxide, epichlorohydrin, epibromohydrin, 1,2-epoxyoctane, and allyl glycidyl ether (H_a for epoxides and $\text{H}_{a'}$ for carbonates, respectively) catalyzed by the LCU-402 were calculated according to the following equation.

$$\text{Yield}(\%) = \frac{I_{\text{H}_{a'}}}{I_{\text{H}_a} + I_{\text{H}_{a'}}} \times 100\%$$

The yield of styrene oxide to styrene carbonate were determined by calculation of the ^1H NMR integrals of corresponding highlighted protons in styrene oxide (H_a), styrene carbonate ($\text{H}_{a'}$) and phenyl group (H_b-H_f) (from styrene oxide, styrene carbonate and other by-products) according to the following equation.

$$\text{Yield}(\%) = \frac{5 \times I_{\text{H}_{a'}}}{I_{\text{H}_b} - I_{\text{H}_f}} \times 100\%$$



Figure S12. Image of the region on which EDX analysis was taken; elements ratio % from EDX analysis for organic part is represented in the table below.

Table S5 The element content determined by EDX analysis.

Element	Atomic number	Normalized mass %	Atom %	Abs.error %
O	8	40.82	52.43	6.06
Si	14	32.96	24.12	1.39
K	19	10.74	5.65	0.48
Al	13	8.47	6.45	0.44
C	6	7.01	11.35	1.85
Ti	22	0.00	0.00	0.02
Ca	20	0.00	0.00	0.00

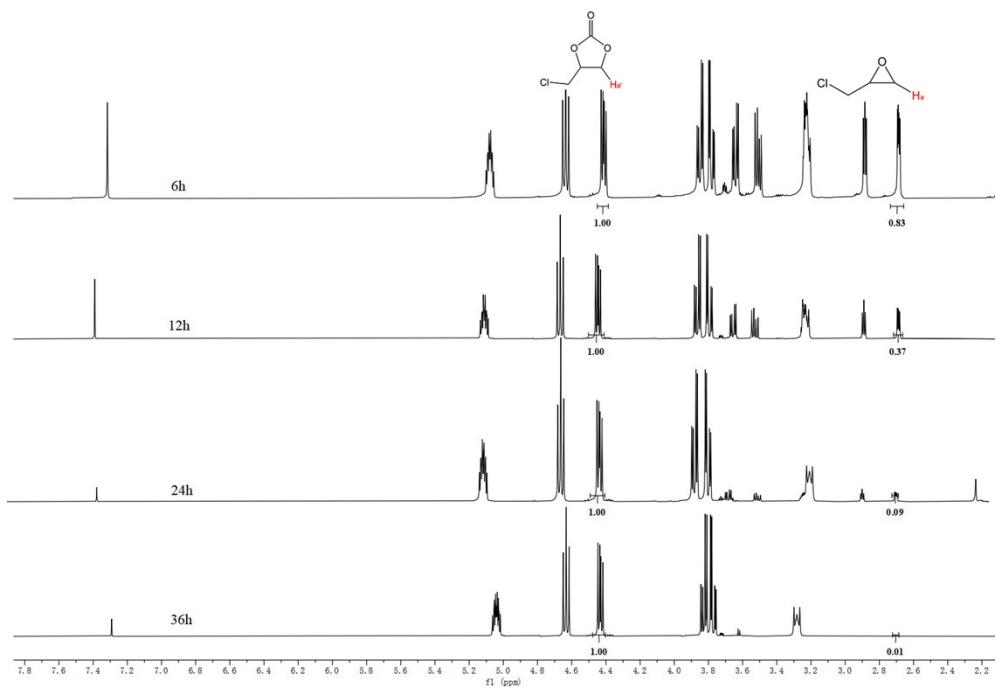


Fig. S13 ¹H NMR spectrum of the mixture products under 0.15atm CO₂ atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402 in CDCl₃.

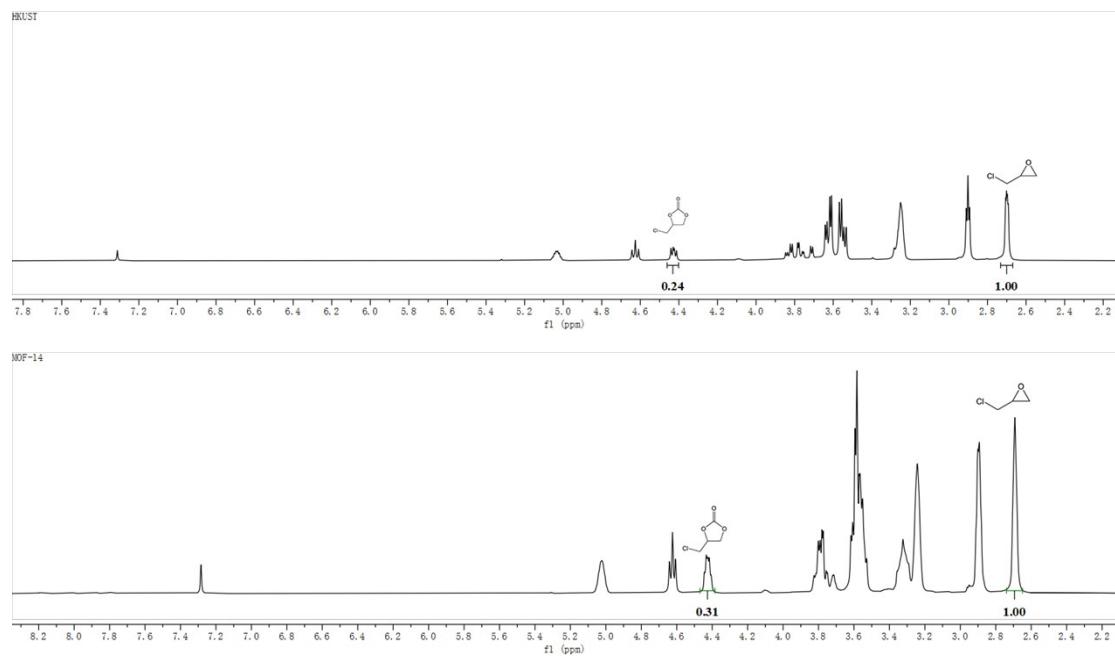


Fig. S14 ^1H NMR spectrum of the mixture products under 0.15atm CO_2 atmosphere catalyzed by HKUST-1 and MOF-14 in CDCl_3 .

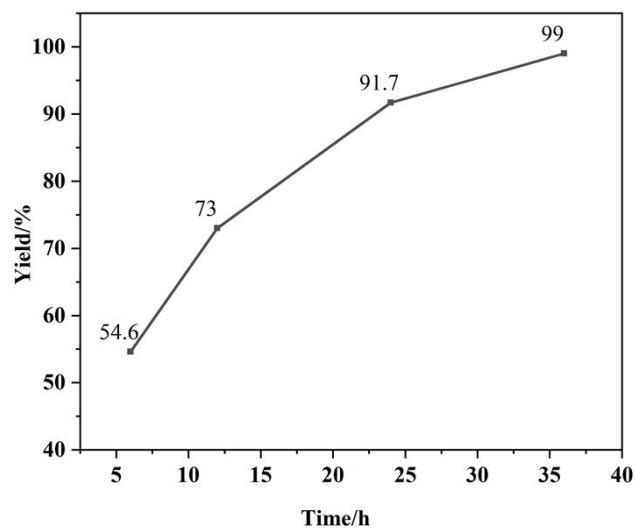


Fig. S15 Continuous sampling experiment of LCU-402 for cycloaddition reaction of epichlorohydrin with 0.15atm CO_2 .

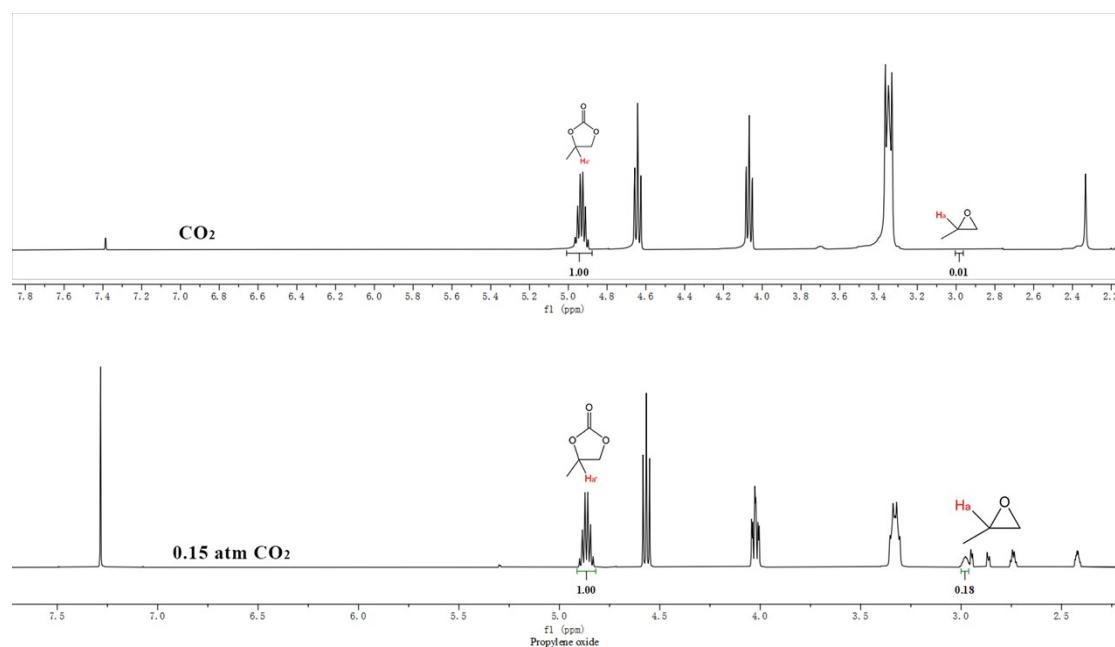


Fig. S16 ^1H NMR spectrum for the cycloaddition reaction of propylene epoxide under CO_2 and 0.15atm CO_2 atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402.

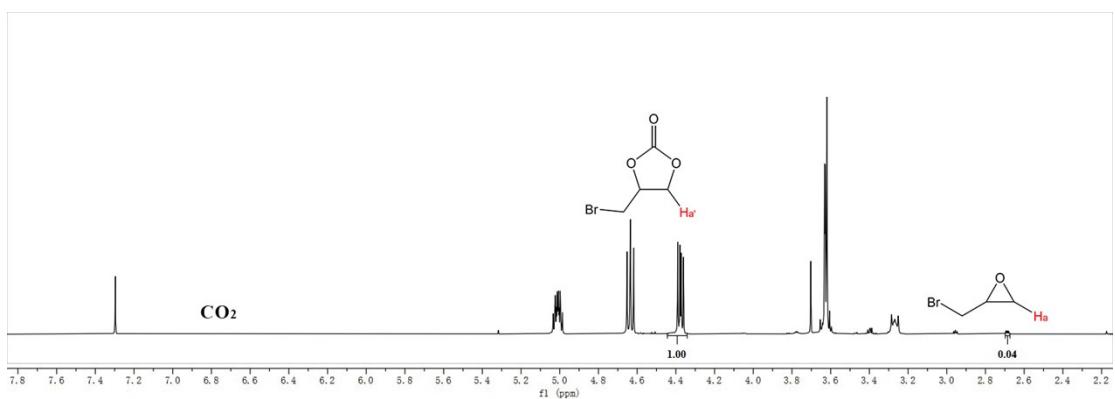


Fig. S17 ¹H NMR spectrum for the cycloaddition reaction of epoxy bromine propane under CO₂ and 0.15 atm CO₂ atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402.

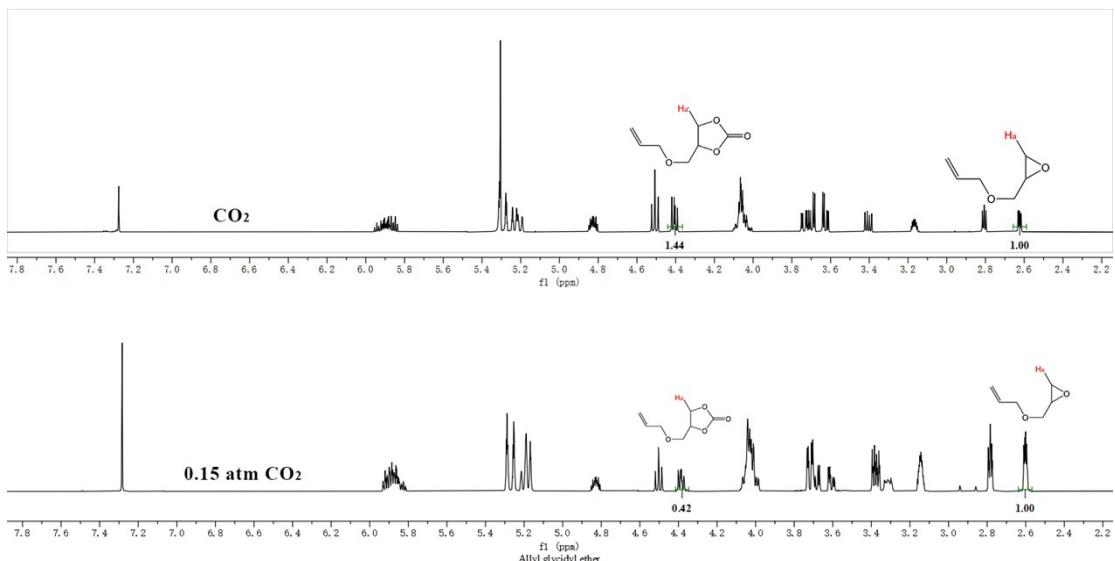
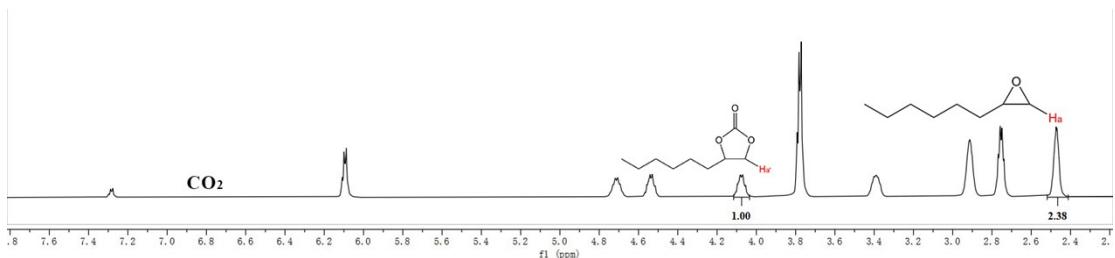


Fig. S18 ¹H NMR spectrum for the cycloaddition reaction of allyl glycidyl ether under CO₂ and 0.15 atm CO₂ atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402.



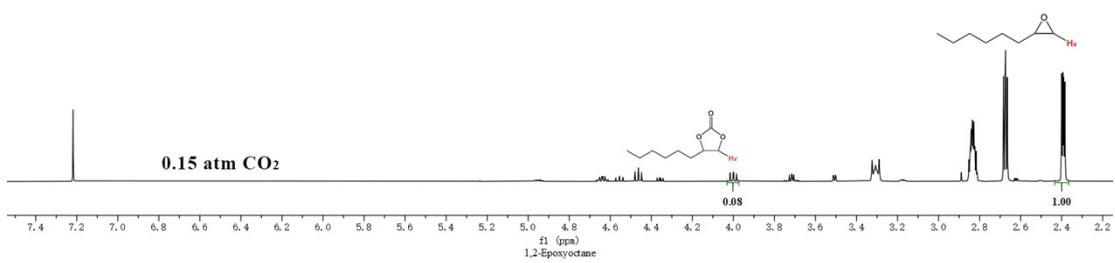


Fig. S19 ¹H NMR spectrum for the cycloaddition reaction of cyclooctene under CO₂ and 0.15 atm CO₂ atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402.

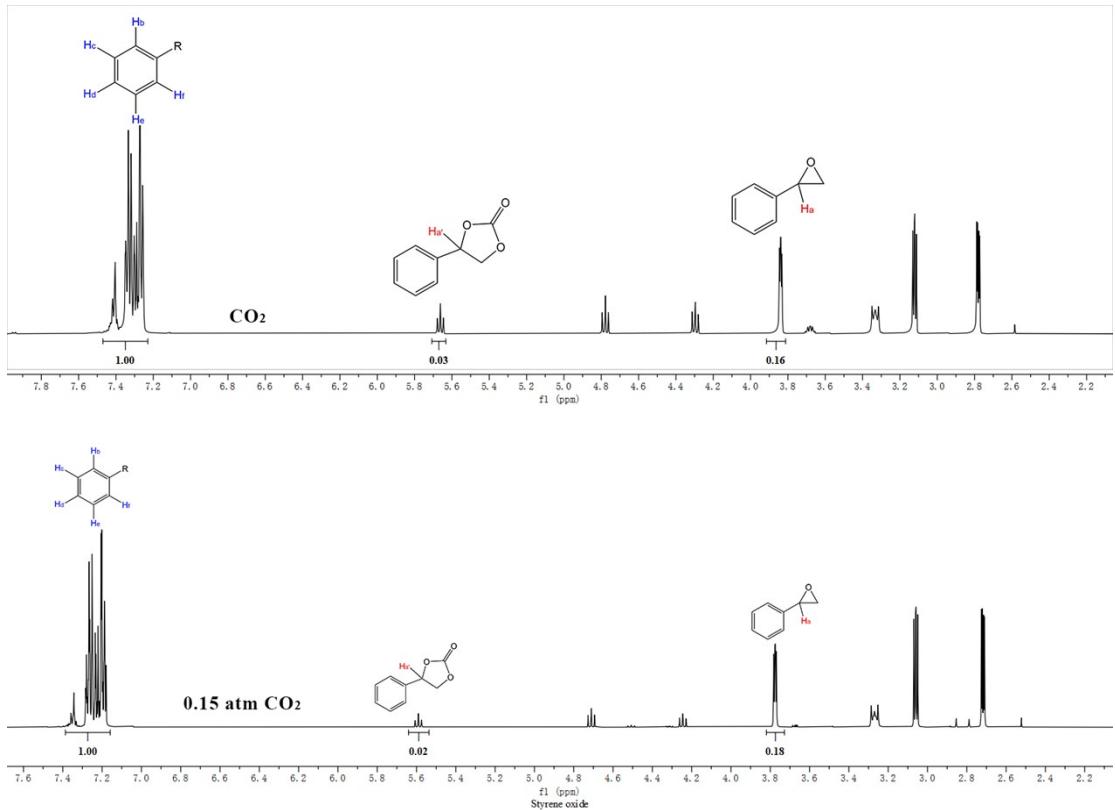


Fig. S20 ¹H NMR spectrum for the cycloaddition reaction of styrene oxide under CO₂ and 0.15 atm CO₂ atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402.

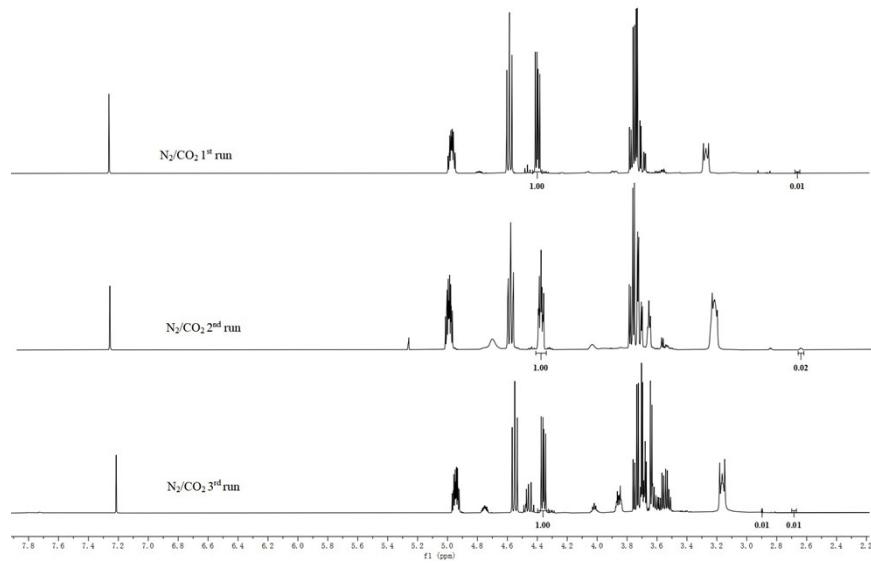


Fig. S21 ^1H NMR spectrum of the mixture products under 0.15atm CO_2 atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402 in CDCl_3 .

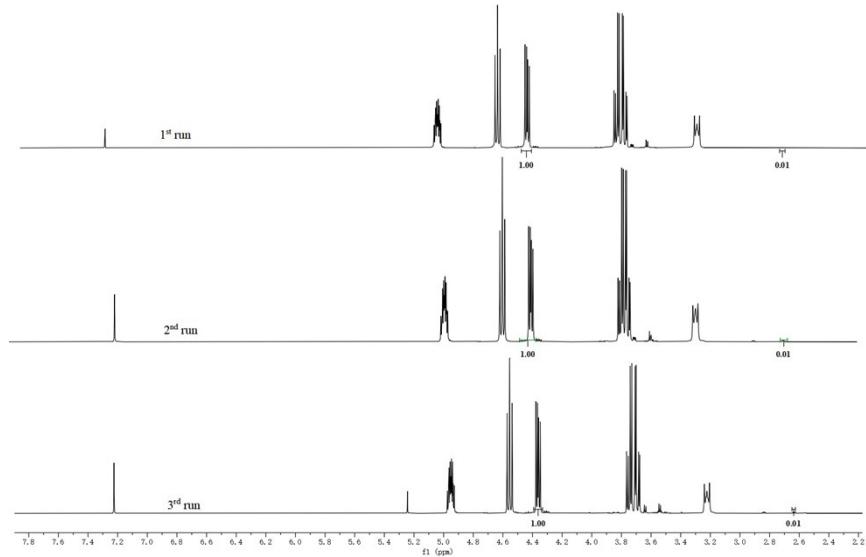


Fig. S22 ^1H NMR spectrum of the mixture products under CO_2 atmosphere catalyzed by LCU-402 in CDCl_3 .

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