# **Supplementary Materials**

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# Novel crosslinker for synthesizing hypercrosslinked ionic polymers containing activating groups as efficient catalysts for CO<sub>2</sub> cycloaddition reaction

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## **Supplementary Experimental**

### **1.1 Materials**

The commercial chemicals and reagents were used as received without further purification unless otherwis stated. 4,4'-bis(chloromethyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (BCB, 96%), 4,4'-bis(bromomethyl)biphenyl (BBB, 97%), bromoacetaldehyde dimethyl acetal (BDC, 97%), 1,2-dichloroethane (DCE, AR), 2, 2-chloro-1,1-dimethoxyethane (CDA, 98%), dimethoxymethane (FDA, 98%), anhydrous ferric chloride (FeCl<sub>3</sub>, AR), 1-methyl-1H-imidazole-2-carboxylic acid (90%), epichlorohydrin (AR), allyl glycidyl ether (99%), butyl glycidyl ether (98%) were provided by Aladdin Chemical Reagent Co. LTD. 1H-imidazole-2-methanol (98%), 1,2-dimethylimidazole (98%), styrene oxide (98%), glycidyl phenyl ether (99%), epibromohydrin (98%), dibromomethane (98%) were purchased from Energy Chemical Reagent Co. LTD. O-tolyl glycidyl were provided by Macklin Chemical Reagent Co. LTD.

#### **1.2 Characterization**

The IR spectra were characterized by using an FT-IR (3500~500 cm<sup>-1</sup>) spectrometer at 4 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution and 32 scans (Nicolet Nexus FT-IR spectrometer, USA). NMR spectra were obtained in CDCl<sub>3</sub> on a Bruker AVANCE III 500MHz spectrometer for <sup>1</sup>H NMR, the particular NMR spectra can be found in the supplementary information. <sup>13</sup>C CP/MAS NMR spectra were measured on an Agilent-NMR-vnmrs 600. Thermogravimetric analysis of the samples were heated from 50 °C to 800 °C at ramp 10 °C/min Under Ar (TGA-50H, Shimadzu). Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) pore volumes and surface areas were calculated at 77 K by using JWGB (JW-DEL 200), CO<sub>2</sub> sorption isotherms were recorded at 273 K and 298 K. The crystal structure of the samples were examined by X-ray diffraction (XRD) on SmartLa. CHNS elemental analysis were performed on Vario EL Cube.

Field emission scanning electron microscope (FESEM; Hitachi S-4800, accelerated voltage: 5 kV) was used to observe the morphology. Transmission electron microscope (TEM) images of the samples were obtained by Hitachi H-7650. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) of the HIP(3)-OH was determined by Thermo Fisher Scientific K-alpha<sup>+</sup> equipped with Al K radiation (1486.68 eV).

### **1.3 Synthesis of polymers**



Scheme S1. Synthesis of HIPs.

# **Supplementary Figures**



Fig. S1. (a) HCP-Cl(3), (b) 1,2-Dimethylimidazole, (c) HIP-Cl(3)-CH<sub>3</sub>.



Fig. S2. (a) HCP-Cl(3), (b) 1-Methyl-1H-imidazole-2-carboxylic acid, (c)



Fig. S3. (a) HCP-Cl(5), (b) 1,2-Dimethylimidazole (c) HIP-Cl(5)-CH<sub>3</sub>.



Fig. S4. (a) HCP-Cl(5), (b) 1H-Imidazole-2-methanol (c) HIP-Cl(5)-OH.



**Fig. S5.** (a) HCP(5)-Cl, (b) 1-Methyl-1H-imidazole-2-carboxylic acid, (c) HIP(5)-COOH.



Fig. S6. TG curve of HCPs and HIPs.



**Fig. S7.** O 1s XPS spectra of HIP-Cl(3)-OH.



**Fig. S8.** SEM images of (a) HCP-Cl(3), (b) HIP-Cl(3)-OH, (c) HIP-Cl(3)-OH after run 6

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Fig. S9. XRD patterns of HCPs and HIPs.



**Fig. S10.** (a) N<sub>2</sub> sorption isotherm and (b) pore size distribution curve of HIP-Cl(3)-CH<sub>3</sub>, HIP-Cl(3)-COOH, HIP-Cl(5)-CH<sub>3</sub>, HIP-Cl(5)-COOH.



Fig. S11. The isosteric heats of adsorption, as calculated from the adsorption curves at two different temperatures 273K and 289K: HIP-Cl(1)-OH, HIP-Cl(3)-CH<sub>3</sub>,
HIP-Cl(3)-COOH, HIP-Cl(3)-OH, HIP-Br(3)-OH, HIP-Cl(5)-CH<sub>3</sub>, HIP-Cl(5)-COOH, HIP-Cl(5)-OH, HIP-FDA(3)-Cl-OH, HIP-EDC-Cl-OH.

## <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of cyclic carbonates

Calculate the yield by using dibromomethane as a standard sample and significant peak is

about 4.86 ppm, the peak of ethyl acetate is about 3.90, 1.84, 1.06 ppm.

**Fig. S12** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of Epichlorohydrin (<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was obtained from the crude sample). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 4.90 (m, 1H), 4.45 (t, J=8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, J=3.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (dd, J=4.1, 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (dd, J=3.7, 12.2 Hz, 1H).



**Fig. S13** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of Epibromohydrin (<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was obtained from the crude sample). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 4.94 (m, 1H), 4.54 (t, J=8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (dd, J=3.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (dd, J=5.4, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (dd, J=3.9, 11.3 Hz, 1H).



**Fig. S14** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of Styrene oxide (<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was obtained from the crude sample). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.41-7.34 (m, Ar-H, 5H), 5.65 (t, J=8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (t, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 1H).



**Fig. S15** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of Glycidyl phenyl ether ( ${}^{1}H$  *NMR spectrum was obtained from the recrystallization*). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.33 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.05 (m, 1H), 4.64 (t, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (td, J=2.6, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (dd, J=4.2, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (dd, J=3.6, 10.6 Hz, 1H).



**Fig. S16** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of O-Tolyl glycidyl ether (<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was obtained from the crude sample). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.06 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, J =8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (m, 1H), 4.50 (t, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (td, J=3.1, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (dd, J=2.9, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dd, J=3.2, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H).



**Fig. S17** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of Allyl glycidyl ether (<sup>1</sup>*H NMR spectrum was obtained from the crude sample*). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 5.74 (m, 1H), 5.15 (dd, J=1.2, 17.3 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J=10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (m, 1H), 4.40 (t, J=8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (dd, J=2.2, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (d, J=5.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.46–3.36 (m, the product of allyl glycidyl ether obtained by free radical polymerization), 3.58 (dd, J=3.2, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (m, 3H).



**Fig. S18** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the reaction mixture using HIP-Cl(3)-OH as a catalyst for the cycloaddition reaction of Butyl glycidyl ether ( ${}^{1}H$  *NMR spectrum was obtained from the crude sample*). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 4.73 (m, 1H), 4.39 (t, J=8.5, 1H), 4.25 (dd, J=2.2, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (dd, J=3.5, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, J=3.6, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, J=1.1, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.25 (m, 2H), 0.79 (t, J=7.4, 3H).



Sample	$\frac{S_{BET}{}^a}{(m^2g^{-1})}$	$V_{p}^{b}$ (cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> )	$\frac{V_{micro}^{c}}{(cm^3g^{-1})}$	D <sub>total</sub> <sup>d</sup> (nm)	D <sub>micro</sub> <sup>e</sup> (nm)	$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\\ \text{adsorption}^{\rm f}(\text{mm}\\ \text{ol}\\ \text{g}^{-1})273\text{K}/298\text{K} \end{array}$	Qst (kJ mol <sup>-1)</sup>
HIP-Cl(1)-OH	976	0.894	0.570	3.665	1.076	2.73/1.82	25.23
HIP-Cl(3)-CH <sub>3</sub>	374	0.793	0.101	8.483	1.681	1.63/1.09	26.23
HIP-Cl(3)-COOH	979	1.189	0.487	4.859	1.090	2.42/1.85	27.49
HIP-Cl(3)-OH	596	0.559	0.376	3.752	1.082	3.22/2.02	22.89
HIP-Br(3)-OH	537	0.670	0.276	4.985	1.095	2.11/1.49	16.23
HIP-Cl(5)-CH <sub>3</sub>	255	0.407	0.100	6.361	1.154	1.54/1.01	30.01
HIP-Cl(5)-COOH	744	0.877	0.410	4.714	1.080	2.51/1.86	11.07
HIP-Cl(5)-OH	466	0.476	0.243	4.089	1.145	2.20/1.61	28.19
HIP-FDA(3)-Cl-OH	765	0.811	0.471	4.238	1.085	2.60/1.70	21.38
HIP-EDC-Cl-OH	1480	1.903	0.887	5.144	1.080	2.82/2.26	15.50

Table S1 Textual properties of HIPs.

<sup>a</sup> BET surface area.

<sup>a</sup> BE1 surface area.
<sup>b</sup> Total pore volume.
<sup>c</sup> Microporous volume estimated by the DR method method.
<sup>d</sup> Average pore size for total pores.
<sup>e</sup> Most probable aperture of micropores volume.
<sup>f</sup> CO<sub>2</sub> uptakes at 273 K and 298 K (1 bar).

Sample	C%	H%	S%	N%	IL Content (mmol $g^{-1}$ )
HIP-Cl(1)-OH	75.51	5.892	0.054	2.57	0.918
HIP-Cl(3)-CH <sub>3</sub>	62.32	5.665	0.321	3.84	1.371
HIP-Cl(3)-COOH	71.48	4.710	0.135	2.00	0.714
HIP-Cl(3)-OH	66.46	5.549	0.112	2.72	0.971
HIP-Cl(3)-OH-Re <sup>a</sup>	67.40	5.392	0.527	2.67	0.954
HIP-Br(3)-OH	64.58	4.926	0.036	2.62	0.935
HIP-Cl(5)-CH <sub>3</sub>	62.76	5.699	0.528	3.44	1.229
HIP-Cl(5)-COOH	62.45	4.573	0.086	1.23	0.439
HIP-Cl(5)-OH	64.84	5.234	0.062	2.65	0.946
HIP-FDA(3)-Cl-OH	71.21	5.759	0.236	2.37	0.846
HIP-EDC-Cl-OH	79.20	4.510	0.206	0.98	0.350

Table S2 Elemental analysis of HIPs.

<sup>a</sup> Reused after six runs.

Catalyst	t	Tem	CO <sub>2</sub> (MPa)	Co-catalyst	Yield	Homogeneous/	Ref.
	(h)	(K)			(%)	Heterogeneous	
catalyst 4	24	373	0.1	None	80	Homogeneous	1
SiO <sub>2</sub> -His	10	403	0.5	None	99	Heterogeneous	2
Al-PDC	20	373	0.1	None	98	Hemogeneous	3
catalyst 1	24	373	0.1	None	99	Heterogeneous	4
lignin	10	393	1	KI	96	Heterogeneous	5
phenolated lignin	24	333	0.1	TBAI	76±4	Heterogeneous	6
	5	262	1		04	Hataraganaous	7
	5	205		IDAD	94	Helefogeneous	7
IC2HCP-5b	32	393	3 MPa (15%	None	87	Heterogeneous	8
	24	202	CO2+65 % IN2)	<b>N</b> 7	01		0
HP-[BZPhIm]CI-DCX-1	24	393	0.1	None	91	Heterogeneous	9
IHCP-OH(1)	2	408	3	None	94	Heterogeneous	10
HPILs-Cl-2	9	343	0.1	TBAB	88	Heterogeneous	11
HIP-Br-2	120	293	0.1	ZnBr <sub>2</sub>	93	Heterogeneous	12
Py-HCP-Br	8	393	2	None	89	Heterogeneous	13
POM3-IM	12	393	1	None	89	Heterogeneous	14
COP-114-(CH <sub>2</sub> NMe <sup>3+</sup> )m	24	373	0.1	None	96	Heterogeneous	15
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[HCP-CH <sub>2</sub> -Im][Cl]-1	5	413	0.1	None	99	Heterogeneous	16
HIP-Cl(3)-OH	5	413	0.1	None	99	Heterogeneous	This
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HIP-Cl(3)-OH	8	393	0.1	None	98	Heterogeneous	This
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HIP-Cl(3)-OH	20	373	0.1	None	98	Heterogeneous	This
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Table S3 Activity of meatl-free porous ionic polymers in the cycloaddition of  $CO_2$  with styrene oxide.

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