

Supporting Information

A stable amino-functionalized fluorinated metal-organic framework for efficient separation of propyne/propylene

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Materials and Instrumentation

The reagents and solvents used in the study were purchased commercially without further purification. Single crystal diffraction data were obtained using a Bruker APEX-II QUAZAR single crystal diffractometer. PXRD patterns were obtained using a Haoyuan DX-2700BH X-ray power diffractometer. TGA data were obtained using an SDT Q600 thermal analyzer. Gas adsorption measurements were performed with ASAP 2020 V4.02 (V4.02 H). Breakthrough experiments were performed on a BSD-MAB instrument coupled with a gas BSD-mass mass spectrometry (TCD-Thermal Conductivity Detector, detection limit 1 ppm) from Beishide Co, Ltd.

Adsorption/desorption experiments

ASAP 2020 V4.02 (V4.02 H) was used for both activation and testing prior to gas adsorption. Fresh **TNU-DPA-1** samples were subjected to reagent exchange with anhydrous methanol for 3 days, followed by vacuum drying at 353 K for 10 hours to remove solvent molecules from the material pores. The activated samples were subjected to gas adsorption in liquid nitrogen, ice-water bath and water bath, respectively. N₂ adsorption isotherms at 77 K and C₃H₄, C₃H₆ adsorption isotherms at 273 K and 298 K were collected.

Column breakthrough experiments

Dynamic breakthrough experiments of C₃H₄/C₃H₆ (v/v,1/99) were carried out on a dynamic gas breakthrough apparatus, in which a gas chromatography (GC) detector was used to monitor the gas flow at the outlet of the packed column. Before the start of the breakthrough experiments, the **TNU-DPA-1** samples need to be packed tightly into a stainless-steel packed column of 180 mm length and 3 mm inner diameter. Afterwards, it was activated for 10 hours under He gas flow and 353 K. Then a gas mixture of C₃H₄/C₃H₆ was passed at the corresponding flow rate. The flow rates of the

gases used can all be regulated with a mass flow controller. For breakthrough cycling experiments, samples need to be desorbed for 30 min under activated conditions to achieve material regeneration.

Computational details

The binding sites for C₃H₆ and C₃H₄ in **TNU-DPA-1** were determined through classical molecular simulations. The single X-ray crystallographic structures were subject to geometry optimization through the CASTEP module implemented with the Materials Studio ^[1] program, using density functional theory (DFT) using the generalized gradient approximation (GGA) with the Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) functional and the double numerical plus d-functions (DNP) basis set. The energy, force, and displacement convergence criteria were set as 1×10^{-5} Ha, 2×10^{-3} Ha/Å and 5×10^{-3} Å, respectively. The calculated electrostatic potential for **TNU-DPA-1** was mapped onto the Connolly surface with a probe radius of 1.0 Å. Simulated annealing (SA) calculations ^[2] were performed for a single molecule of C₃H₆ and C₃H₄ through a canonical Monte Carlo (NVT) process, and all MOF atoms were kept fixed at their positions throughout the simulations. The initial configurations were further optimized to ensure a more efficient energy landscape scanning for every MOF- C_xH_x complex, and the optimized configuration having the lowest energy was used as the global minimum for the subsequent analysis and calculation. The static binding energy (at T= 0 K) was then calculated: $\Delta E = E_{\text{MOF}} + E_{\text{gas}} - E_{\text{MOF+gas}}$.

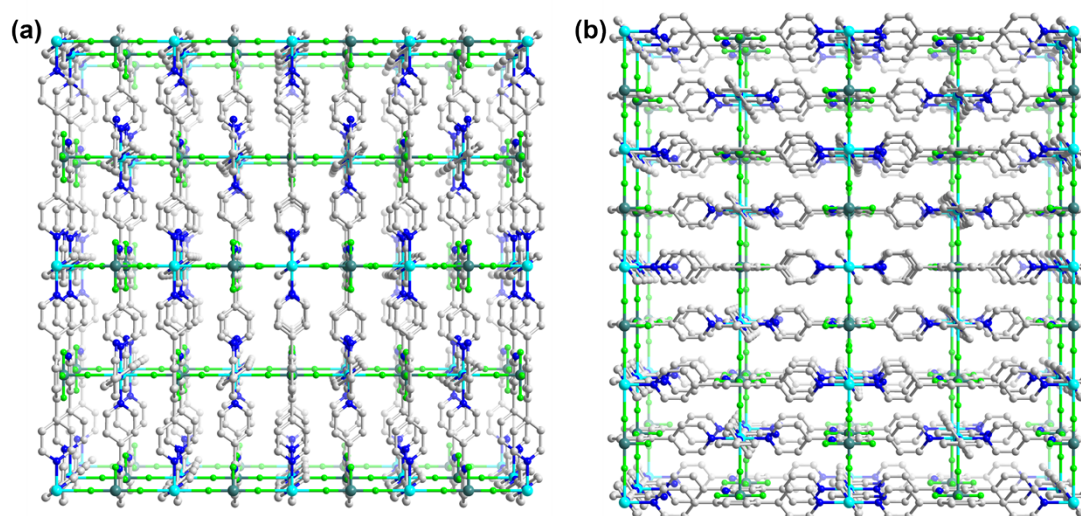


Figure S1. Stacking diagram of the TNU-DPA-1 crystal structure in the (a) a-axis and (b) b-axis directions.

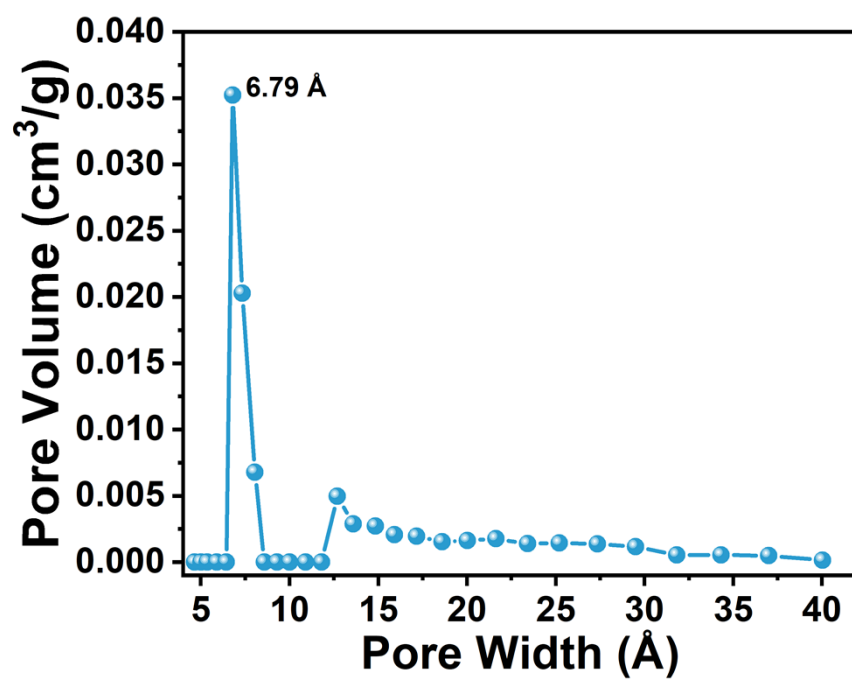


Figure S2. Pore size distribution of TNU-DPA-1.

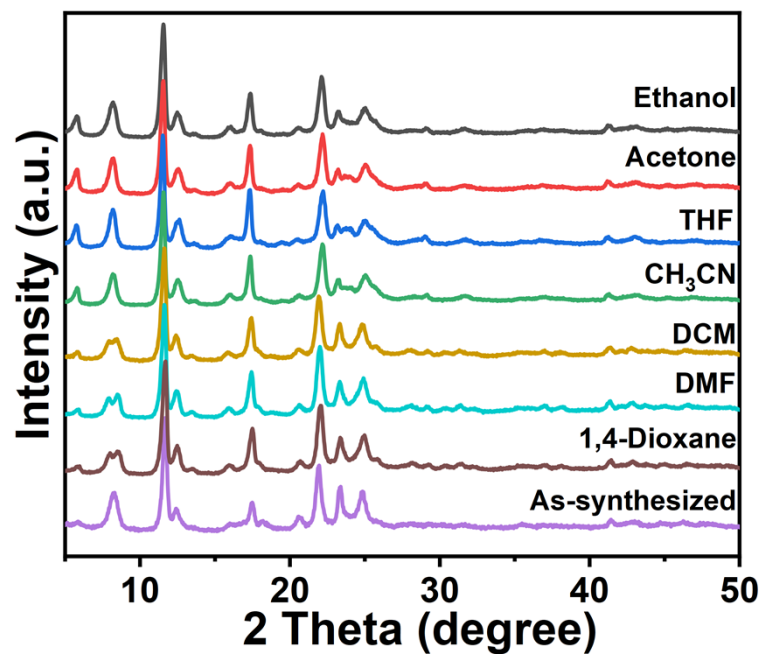


Figure S3. PXRD patterns of TNU-DPA-1 samples after immersion in different solvents for 24 hours.

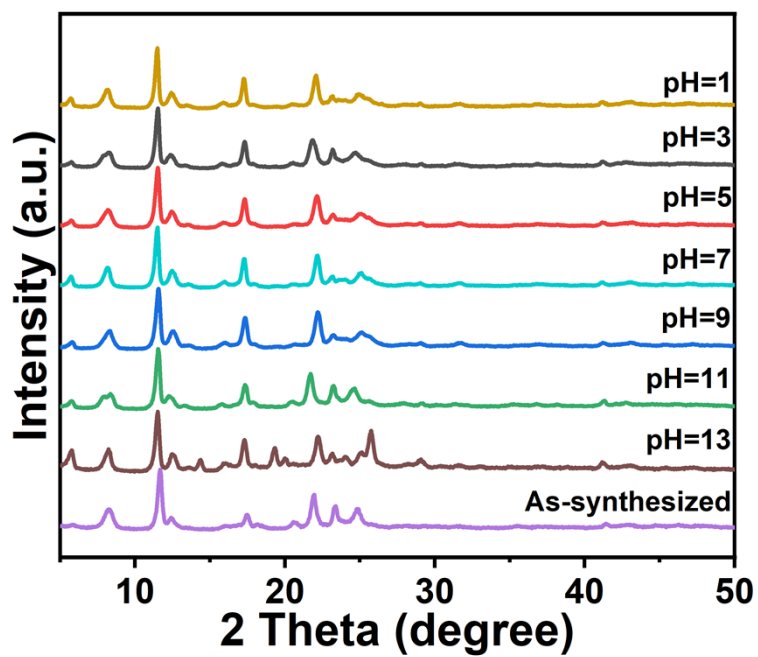


Figure S4. PXRD patterns of TNU-DPA-1 samples after immersion in aqueous solutions of different pH values for 24 hours.

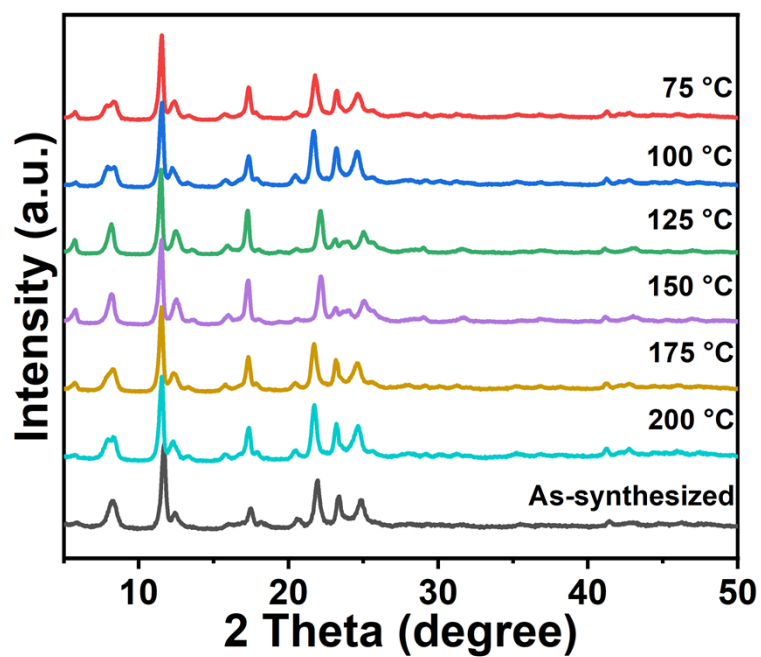


Figure S5. Variable temperature PXRD patterns of TNU-DPA-1 samples.

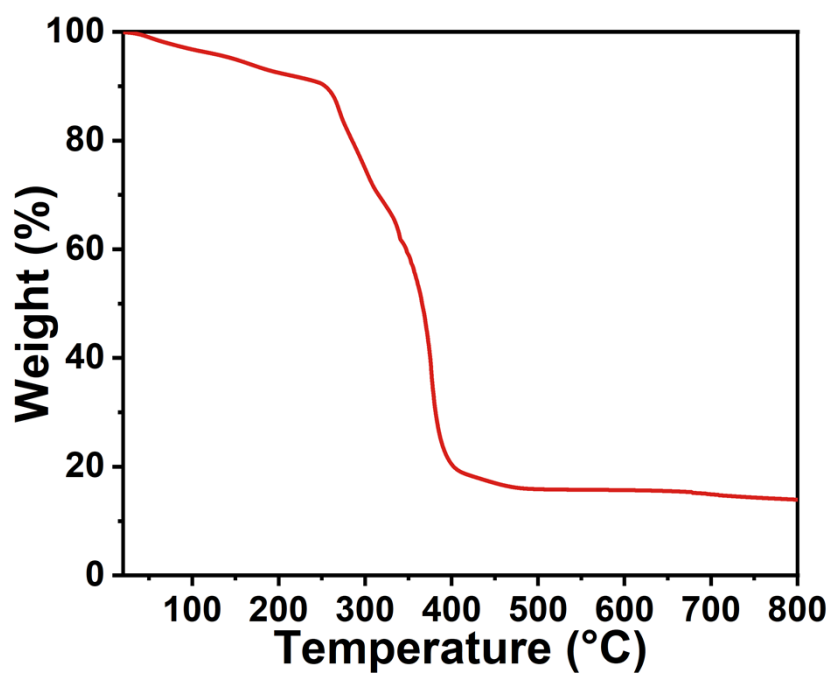


Figure S6. Thermogravimetric analysis of TNU-DPA-1 under nitrogen atmosphere.

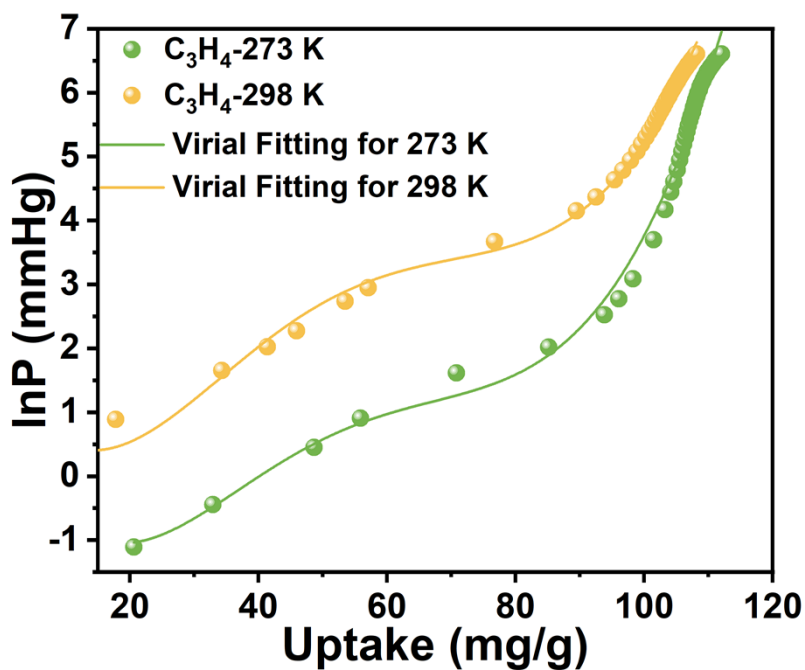


Figure S7. Virial fitting of C_3H_4 adsorption isotherms for TNU-DPA-1 at 273 K and 298 K.

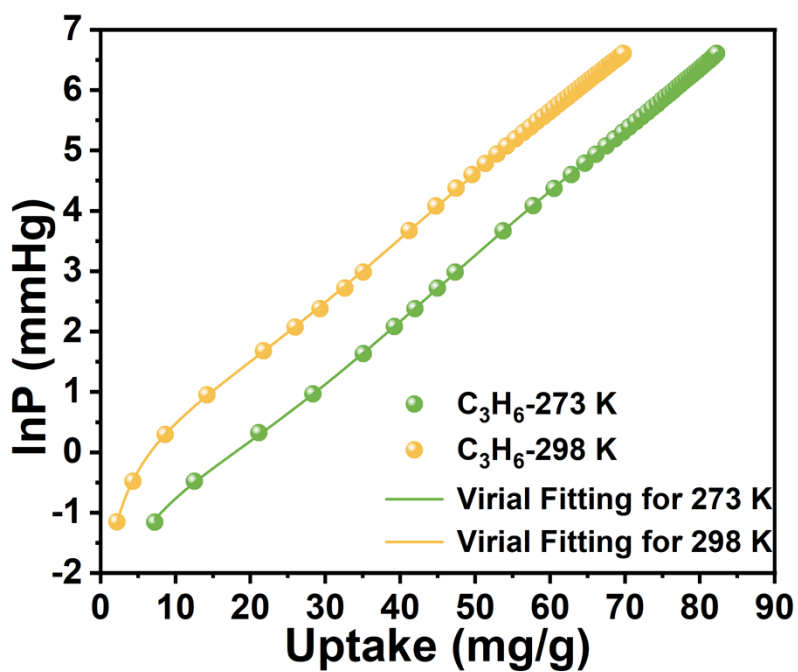


Figure S8. Virial fitting of C_3H_6 adsorption isotherms for TNU-DPA-1 at 273 K and 298 K.

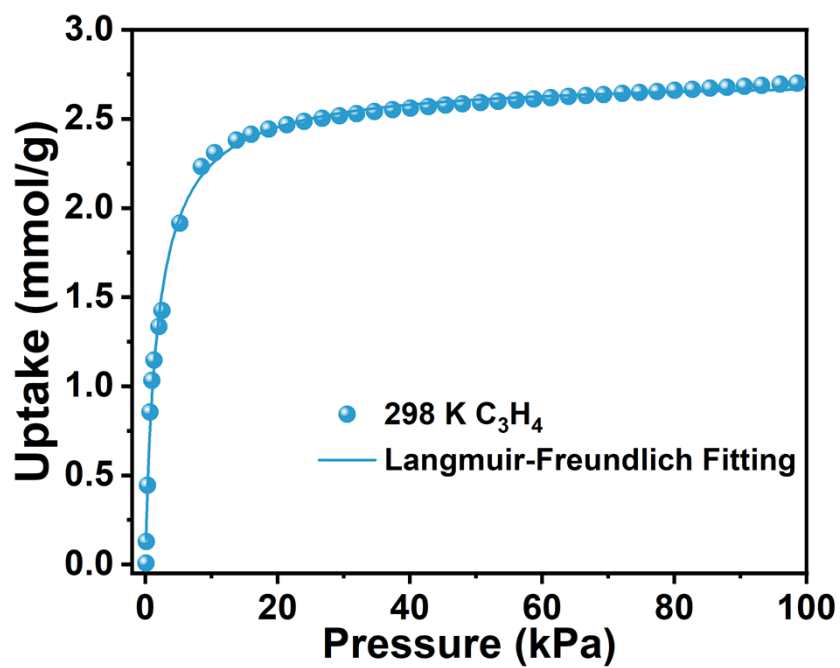


Figure S9. Langmuir-Freundlich fitting of C_3H_4 at 298 K.

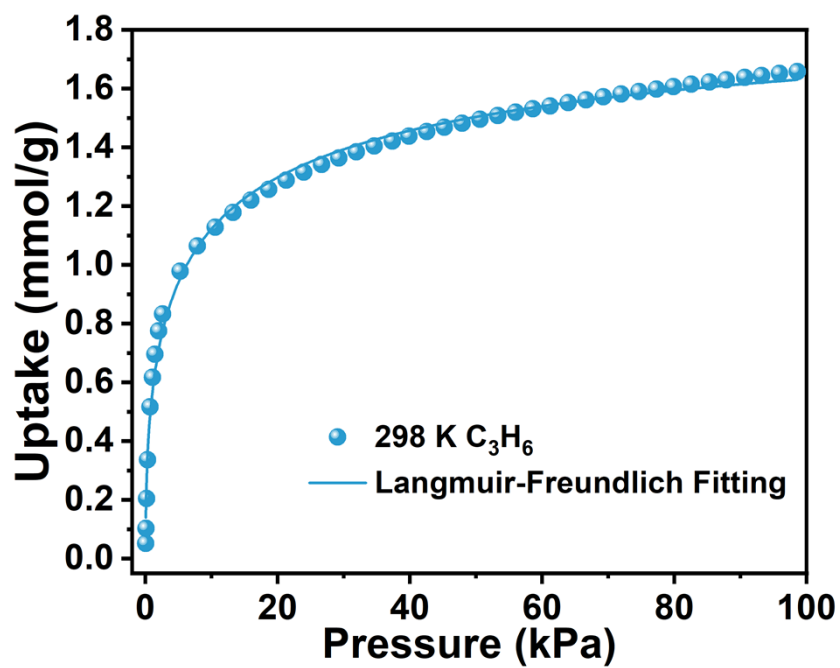


Figure S10. Langmuir-Freundlich fitting of C_3H_6 at 298 K.

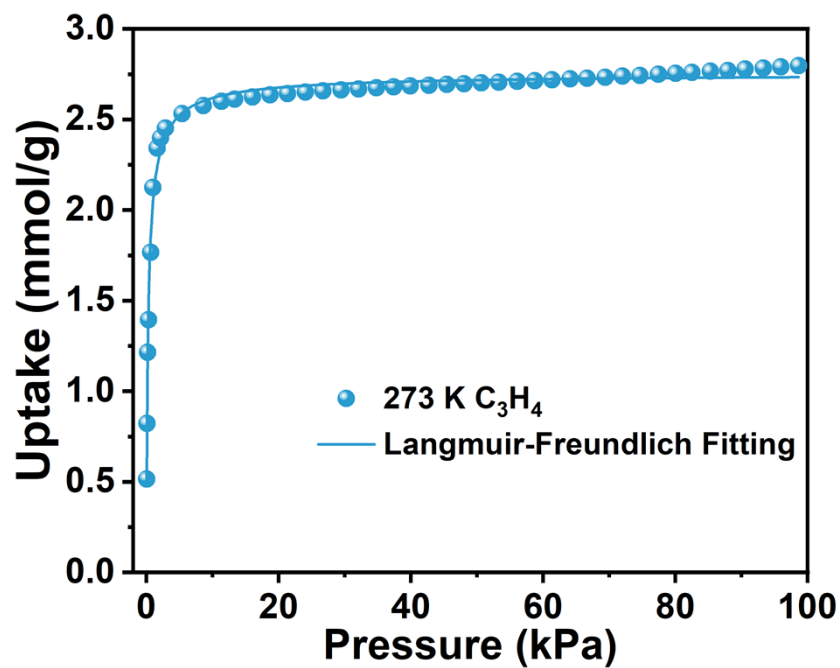


Figure S11. Langmuir-Freundlich fitting of C_3H_4 at 273 K.

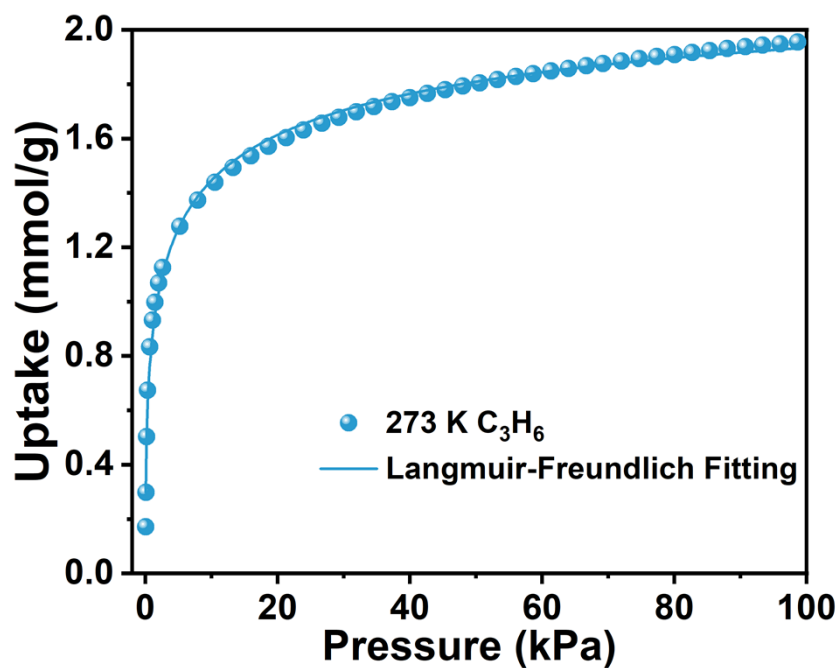


Figure S12. Langmuir-Freundlich fitting of C_3H_6 at 273 K.

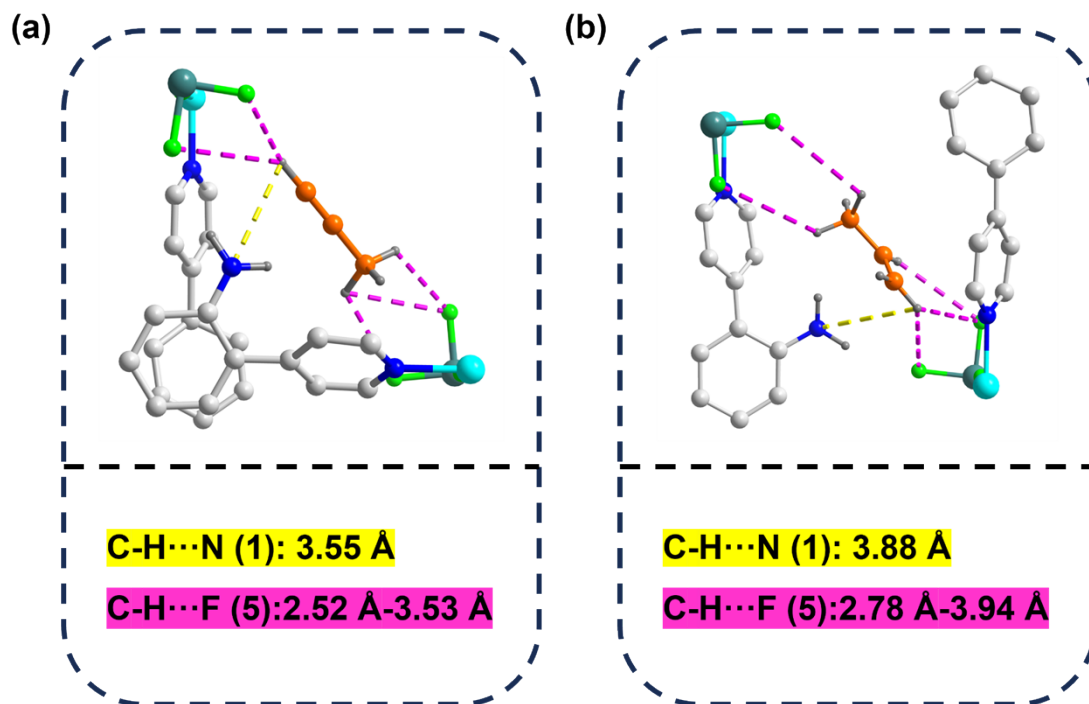


Figure S13. DFT-calculated interaction sites of TNU-DPA-1 with the gas molecules (a) C_3H_4 and (b) C_3H_6 .

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **TNU-DPA-1**

Complex	TNU-DPA-1
formula	C ₃₂ H ₁₂ CuF ₆ N ₈ Si
CCDC	2493666
T (K)	222
crystal system	tetragonal
space group	I4/mmm
<i>a</i> (Å)	15.391
<i>b</i> (Å)	15.391
<i>c</i> (Å)	8.068
<i>α</i> (deg)	90
<i>β</i> (deg)	90
<i>γ</i> (deg)	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	1911.1
<i>Z</i>	16
<i>D_c</i> (g/cm ³)	1.255
<i>R</i> _{int}	0.1177
F(000)	730
Goof	1.211
<i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> (<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)) ^a	0.0644, 0.1868
<i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> (all data) ^b	0.0665, 0.1888

^a $R = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$, ^b $wR = |\sum w(F_o - F_c)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)|^{1/2}$

Table S2. Comparison of the C₃H₄/C₃H₆ separation properties of TNU-DPA-1 and some superior MOF materials at 298 K and 100 kPa.

	C ₃ H ₄ uptake	C ₃ H ₆ uptake	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	Selectivity	C ₃ H ₆
Sample	at 100 kPa	at 100 kPa	adsorption	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	Productivity
	(mmol/g)	(mmol/g)	ratio	(v/v,1/99)	(mmol/g)
ELM-12	2.77	1.43	1.93	84	17
FJI-W1	7.09	6.27	1.13	2.2	52.9
JXNU-6a	5.07	3.57	1.42	3.1	8.9
ZJUT-1	2.24	0.84	2.67	70	9.8
SIFSIX-1-Cu	8.63	5.88	1.47	8.97	9.4
SIFSIX-2-Cu-i	3.77	2.63	1.43	30.58	25.9
SIFSIX-3-Ni	2.85	2.72	1.05	242.06	20.5
ZIF-8	6.27	4.07	1.54	1.9	1.3
Cu-BTC	10.47	8.33	1.26	3.2	6.3
UIO-66	10.23	3.33	3.07	15	0.9
Co-MOF-74	7.47	5.95	1.26	-	7.1
Mg-MOF-74	9.40	6.49	1.45	-	5.4
This work	2.70	1.65	1.64	10.9	19.6

Table S3. Comparison of **TNU-DPA-1** with fluorinated MOF materials possessing similar structures.

Sample	Gas mixtures	Uptake (cm ³ g ⁻¹)	Q _{st} (kJ mol ⁻¹)	IAST Selectivity
TNU-DPA-1	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	60.49/37.14	42.5/31.3	10.9
SIFSIX-1-Cu	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	193.31/131.71	37/27	8.97
SIFSIX-2-Cu-i	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	84.45/58.91	45/37	30.58
SIFSIX-3-Ni	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	63.84/60.93	68/47	242.06
	C ₂ H ₂ /CO ₂	73.92/60.48	36.7/50.9	7.7
SIFSIX-14-Cu-i	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	80.42/35.62	51/41	112.86
GeFSIX-14-Cu-i	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	75.26/33.6	-	306.12
TIFSIX-14-Cu-i	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	86.46/31.36	-	240.14
SIFSIX-3-Zn	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	50.62/40.32	-	115
ZU-16-Co	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	59.36/47.04	-	248
ZJUT-1	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	50.18/18.82	33.6/-	70
	C ₂ H ₂ /CO ₂	73.92/51.52	44.2/40.2	11.7
ZU-62	C ₃ H ₄ /C ₃ H ₆	81.31/59.81	71/52	46.31
TIFSIX-4-Cu-i	C ₂ H ₂ /C ₂ H ₄	96.32/33.61	40.8/29.4	11
USTA-121	C ₂ H ₂ /CO ₂	71.3/36.4	-	-
BSF-3	C ₂ H ₂ /C ₂ H ₄	80.42/53.09	42.7/28.1	8.1

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