Electronic Supplementary Information

Interlayer modification of a layered polysilicic acid H-octosilicate (H-RUB-18) with methanol : Formation of a highly ordered organosilicate nanohybrid

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Fig. S1 XRD patterns of (a) Na-octosilicate and (b) H-octosilicate.



Chemical Shift / ppm

Fig. S2 ²⁹Si HD/MAS NMR spectra of (a) Na-octosilicate and (b) H-octosilicate.



Fig. S3 IR spectra of (a) Na-octosilicate and (b) H-octosilicate.



Fig. S4 Raman spectra of (a) Na-octosilicate and (b) H-octosilicate.



Fig. S5 Experimental (**red**, "+" **marks**) and calculated (**purple**, **solid line**) XRD patterns of methoxylated octosilicate, and the observed reflections (green) and difference (black) from the Rietveld refinement.



Fig. S6 N_2 adsorption isotherms of (a) H-octosilicate and methoxylated products with the grafting degrees of (b) 0.95 and (c) 0.42.

| Formula | $Si_8O_{14}(OCH_3)_4$ |
|---|-----------------------|
| М | 572.8 |
| Symmetry | Monoclinic |
| Space group | No.9, <i>Cc</i> |
| A /Å | 10.654(8) |
| B /Å | 10.72(8) |
| $C/{ m \AA}$ | 21.447(5) |
| $\alpha/^{\mathrm{o}}$ | 90 |
| β/° | 128.447 |
| $\gamma/^{\circ}$ | 90 |
| Z | 2 |
| Pattern range, $2\theta/^{\circ}$ | 12.00-110.00 |
| Step scan increment, $2\theta/^{\circ}$ | 0.005 |
| Step scan time /s | 2 |
| Number of data | 19600 |
| Number of reflection | 2446 |
| Number of structural parameter | 60 |
| Number of profile parameter | 10 |
| Polynomial order of background coefficients | 30 |
| Rp /% | 7.59 |
| <i>R</i> wp /% | 10.5 |

 Table S1
 Crystal data and refinement details for methoxylated octosilicate.

| Atom | Site | Occupancy | x | Y | Ζ | $U/\text{\AA}^2$ |
|------|------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------------|
| C1 | 4a | 1 | -1.539(7) | 0.304(8) | -0.696(4) | 0.05 |
| C2 | 4a | 1 | -0.344(9) | 0.068(16) | 0.282(7) | =U(C1) |
| C3 | 4a | 1 | -1.749(7) | -0.079(4) | -0.787(2) | =U(C1) |
| C4 | 4a | 1 | -3.015(4) | 0.203(13) | -1.800(6) | =U(C1) |
| 01 | 4a | 1 | -2.652(5) | 0.025(8) | -1.454(6) | 0.02 |
| 02 | 4a | 1 | -1.21(8) | 0.063(4) | -0.412(7) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| 03 | 4a | 1 | -0.452(9) | 0.164(4) | 0.091(11) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| O4 | 4a | 1 | -1.845(6) | 0.227(3) | -0.910(9) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| 05 | 4a | 1 | -0.607(9) | 0.154(2) | -0.069(13) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| O6 | 4a | 1 | -2.13(6) | 0.267(2) | -1.062(5) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| 07 | 4a | 1 | -2.891(5) | 0.109(3) | -1.603(5) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| 08 | 4a | 1 | -1.421(7) | 0.003(8) | -0.573(9) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| 09 | 4a | 1 | -1.555(4) | 0.315(4) | -0.768(3) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| O10 | 4a | 1 | -1.17(8) | 0.158(6) | -0.512(8) | = <i>U</i> (O1) |
| O11 | 4a | 1 | -0.492(9) | 0.073(5) | 0.197(2) | =U(O1) |
| O12 | 4a | 1 | -2.954(5) | -0.064(3) | -1.533(2) | =U(O1) |
| O13 | 4a | 1 | -1.646(7) | -0.139(7) | -0.707(6) | =U(O1) |
| O14 | 4a | 1 | -2.107(6) | 0.080(6) | -0.972(9) | =U(01) |
| O15 | 4a | 1 | -2.918(5) | 0.255(4) | -1.718(8) | =U(O1) |
| O16 | 4a | 1 | -0.384(9) | 0.330(5) | 0.020(7) | =U(O1) |
| O17 | 4a | 1 | -1.742(7) | -0.044(9) | -1.162(16) | =U(O1) |
| O18 | 4a | 1 | -0.835(8) | -0.439(19) | -0.340(5) | =U(O1) |
| Si1 | 4a | 1 | -0.848(8) | -0.059(5) | -0.018(7) | 0.01 |
| Si2 | 4a | 1 | -2.229(6) | -0.034(7) | -0.993(6) | =U(Si1) |
| Si3 | 4a | 1 | -1.008(8) | -0.159(7) | -0.494(5) | =U(Si1) |
| Si4 | 4a | 1 | -2.526(5) | -0.247(5) | -1.490(9) | =U(Si1) |
| Si5 | 4a | 1 | -1.736(7) | 0.351(9) | -0.858(2) | =U(Si1) |
| Si6 | 4a | 1 | -0.483(16) | 0.04(7) | 0.124(7) | =U(Si1) |
| Si7 | 4a | 1 | -1.604(9) | -0.062(7) | -0.628(3) | =U(Si1) |
| Si8 | 4a | 1 | -2.801(6) | 0.161(5) | -1.637(6) | =U(Si1) |

Table S2 Refined structural parameters of methoxylated octosilicate.

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| Ato | ms | Length (Å) | Atoms | Length (Å) |
| 01- | Si1 | 1.680 | O9- C1 | 1.455 |
| 01- | Si6 | 1.671 | O10- Si2 | 1.626 |
| O2- | Si2 | 1.650 | O10- Si4 | 1.649 |
| O2- | Si5 | 1.633 | O11- C2 | 1.496 |
| O3- | Si4 | 1.652 | 012- Si1 | 1.631 |
| O3- | Si6 | 1.628 | O12- Si3 | 1.635 |
| 04- | Si3 | 1.704 | O13- C3 | 1.490 |
| 04- | Si5 | 1.658 | 014- Si3 | 1.633 |
| 05- | Si4 | 1.670 | O15- C4 | 1.487 |
| 05- | Si7 | 1.627 | 016- Si1 | 1.618 |
| O6- | Si3 | 1.673 | 016- Si4 | 1.647 |
| O6- | Si8 | 1.685 | O17- Si7 | 1.635 |
| O7- | Sil | 1.669 | O17- Si8 | 1.628 |
| O7- | Si8 | 1.631 | O18- Si5 | 1.632 |
| O8- | Si2 | 1.696 | O18- Si6 | 1.649 |
| 08- | Si7 | 1.671 | | |

Table S3 Bond lengths in the methoxylated octosilicate.