

## Lithium storage in metal organic framework with diamondoid topology – A case study on metal formates

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### Supporting Information

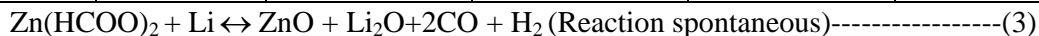
#### Gibb's free energy calculations:



Zinc formate (KJ/mol)	Lithium formate (KJ/mol)	$\Delta G = \Delta G_p - \Delta G_r$ (KJ/mol)
-864.8	-612	-360 KJ/mol

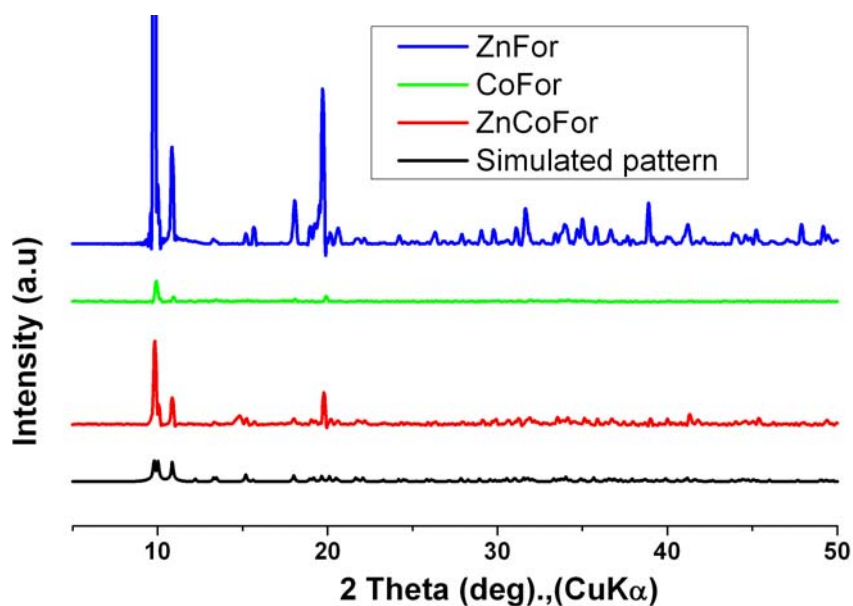


Zinc formate (KJ/mol)	ZnO (KJ/mol)	CO <sub>2</sub> (KJ/mol)	CO (KJ/mol)	H <sub>2</sub> (KJ/mol)	$\Delta G = \Delta G_p - \Delta G_r$ (KJ/mol)
-864.8	-307	-394	-137	0	+26 KJ/mol

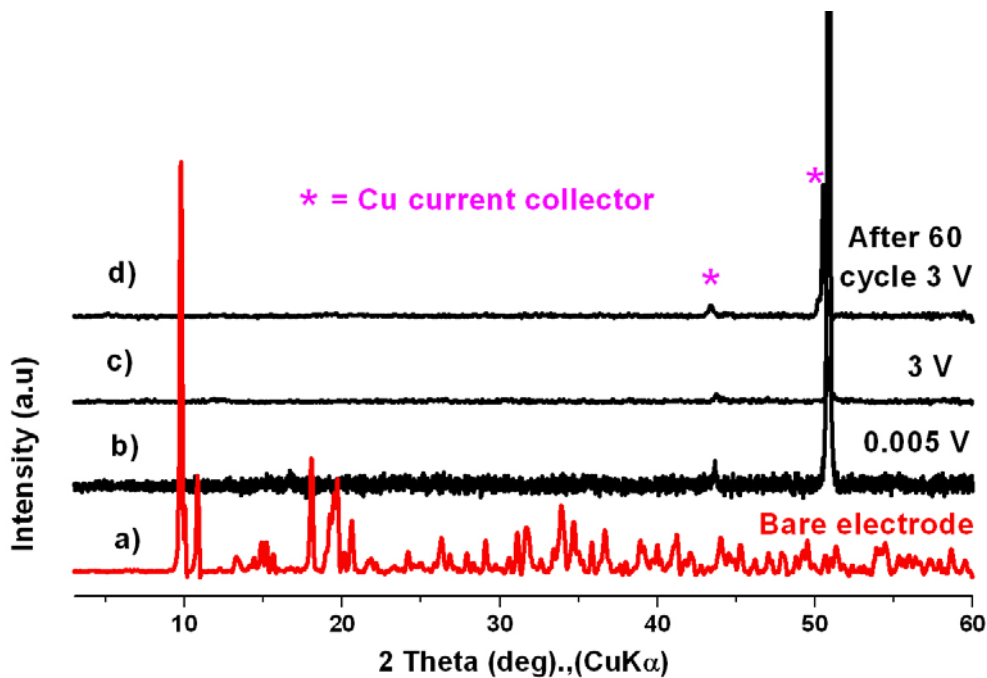


Zinc formate (KJ/mol)	Li <sub>2</sub> O (KJ/mol)	ZnO (KJ/mol)	CO (KJ/mol)	H <sub>2</sub> (KJ/mol)	$\Delta G = \Delta G_p - \Delta G_r$ (KJ/mol)
-864.8	-367	-307	-137	0	-84 KJ/mol

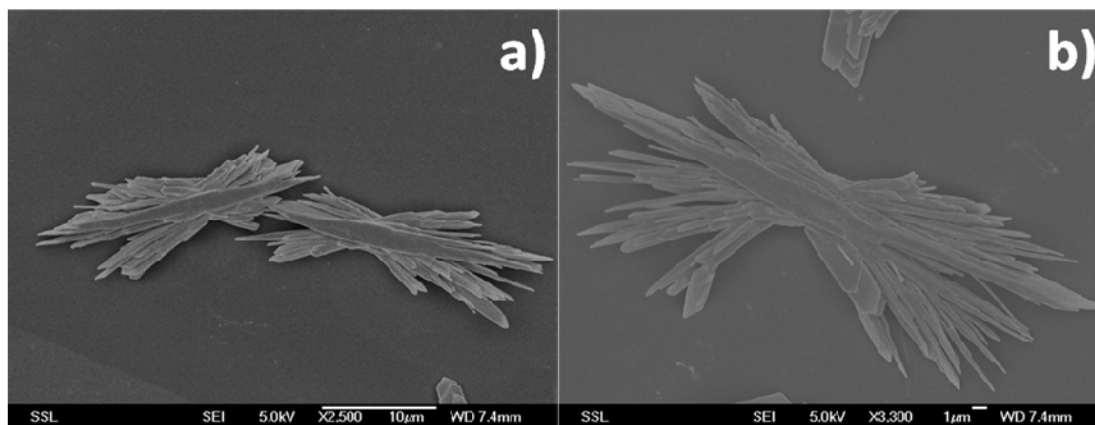
From this calculation it is clear that formation of lithium formate (eqn-1) is more favourable than ZnO/Li<sub>2</sub>O formation (eqn-3).



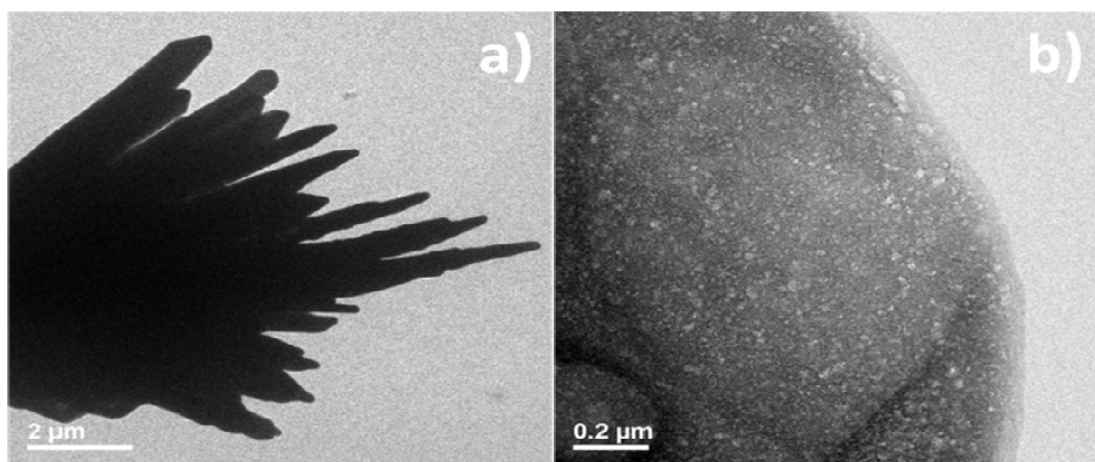
**Fig. S1** PXR D patterns of MFor [M = Zn (FOR1), Co (FOR3) and ZnCo (FOR4)] with their simulated PXR D pattern.



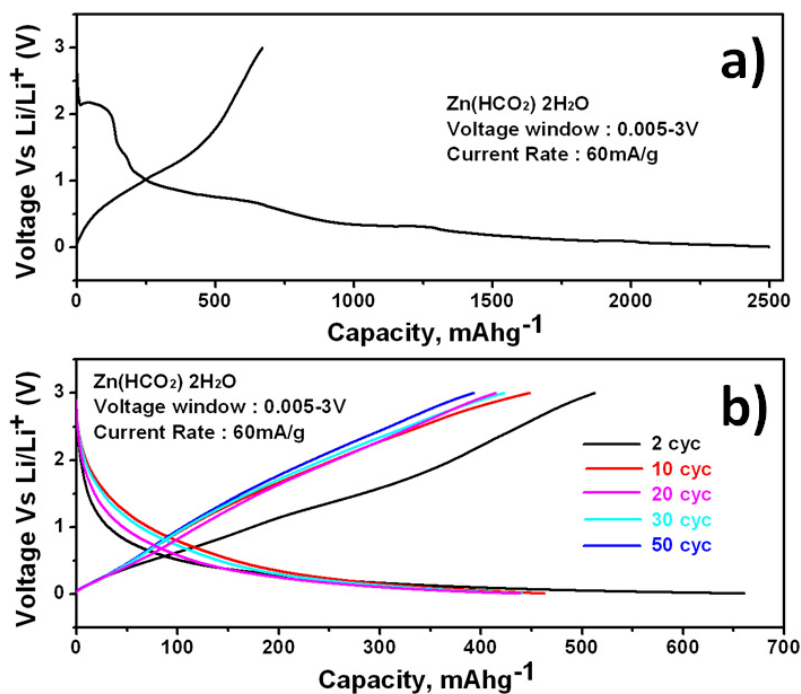
**Fig S2** Ex-situ PXR D patterns of the electrodes of bare FOR1, and those b) discharged to 0.005 V, c) charged to 3.0 V and d) after 60 cycles. Lines due to Cu-current collector are marked with \*.



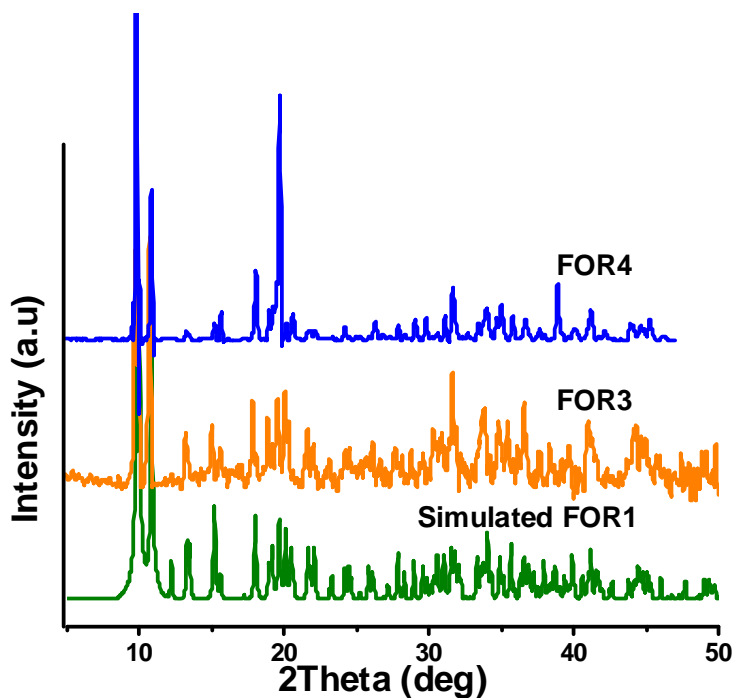
**Fig.S3** FESEM images of the FOR1  $[\text{Zn}_3(\text{HCOO})_6]$  plates at two different magnifications



**Fig. S4** TEM images of the diamondoid FOR1  $[\text{Zn}_3(\text{HCOO})_6]$  at two different magnifications

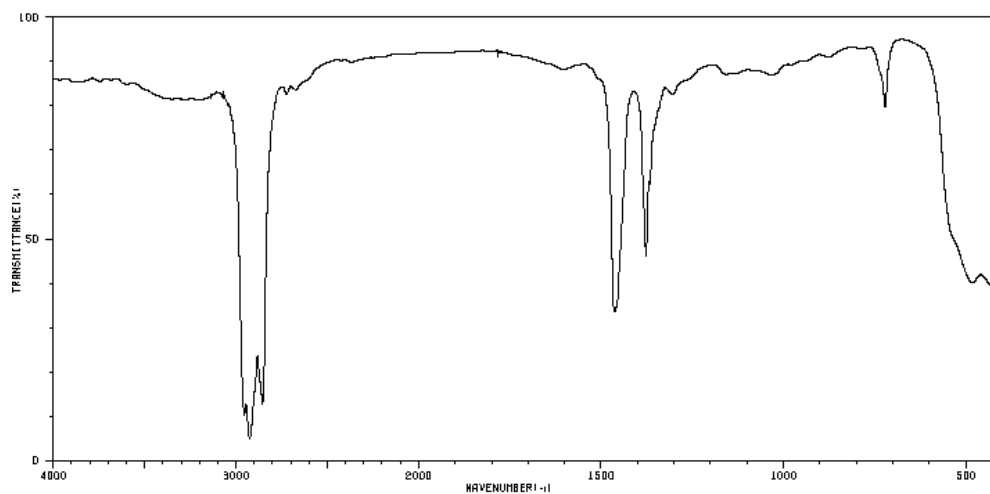


**Fig. S5** Galvanostatic charge–discharge cycle curves for FOR2 (a) 1<sup>st</sup> cycle and (b) selected cycles. (Current density of 60 mA/g (0.11C) plot. Potential window 0.005 – 3 V, recorded at room temperature)



**Figure S6** PXRD patterns of FOR1, FOR3 and FOR4

### FTIR of ZnO



**CAS Registry Number:** 1314-13-2

**Formula:** Zn O

**CA Index Name:** Zinc oxide (ZnO)

**SpectrumID:** NIDA69905

**Spectrometer:** Nicolet 170SX or JASCO FT/IR-410

**Source:** Integrated Spectral Database System of Organic Compounds. (Data were obtained from the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (Japan))