

Electronic supplementary information (ESI) for

**One-step solvothermal carbonization to
microporous carbon materials derived from
cyclodextrins**

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Table S1 Results of the energy dispersive X-ray (EDX) analysis for **CDPC** (Atomic percentage)

Sample	Carbon	Oxygen	Sulfur
aCDPC	95.81	3.78	0.39
bCDPC	95.68	3.88	0.43
gCDPC	96.68	2.75	0.56
HMFPC	95.89	3.33	0.76

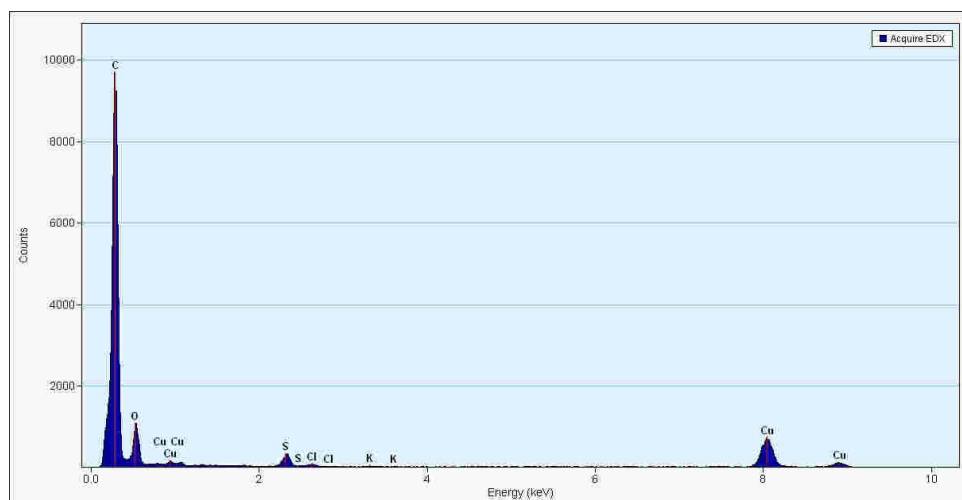


Fig. S1 EDX spectrum of aCDPC.

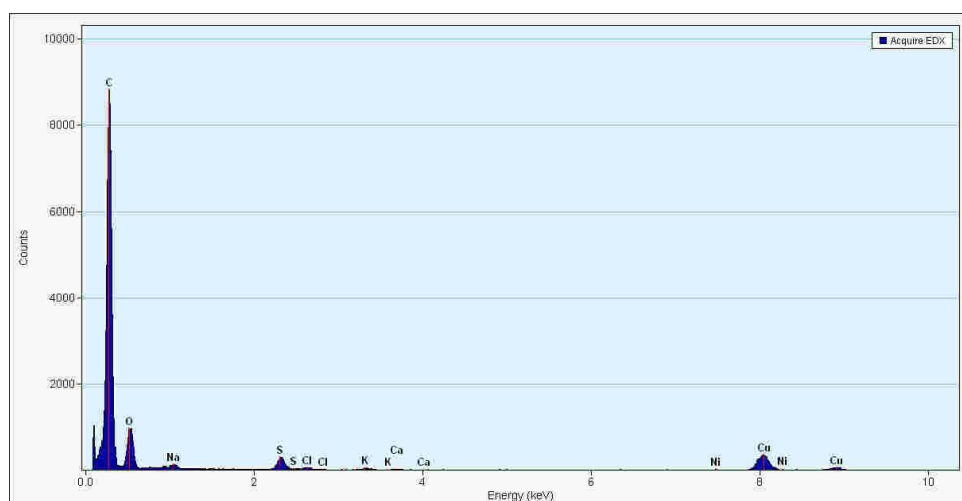


Fig. S2 EDX spectrum of bCDPC.

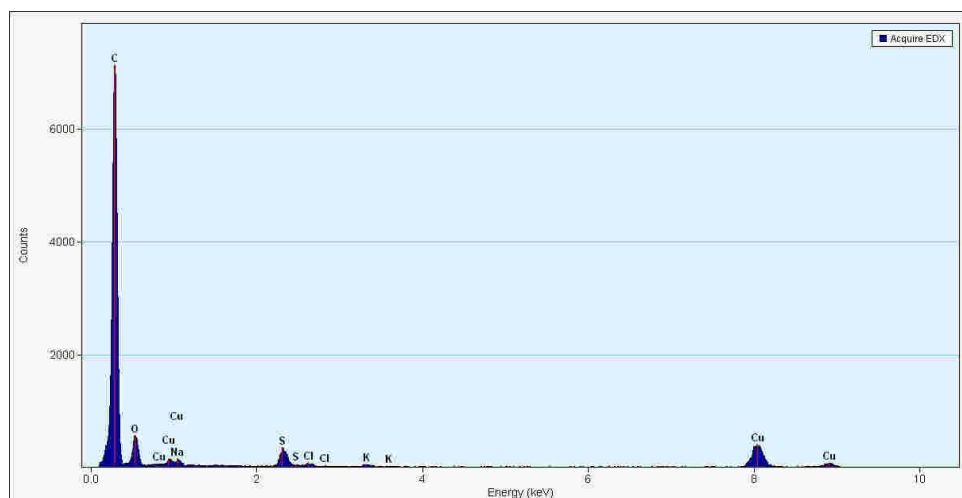


Fig. S3 EDX spectrum of **gCDPC**.

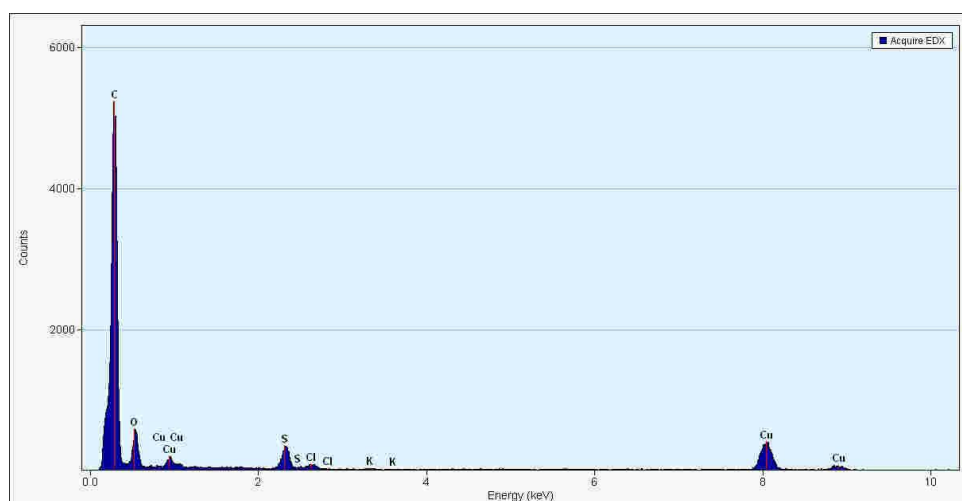


Fig. S4 EDX spectrum of **HMFPC**.

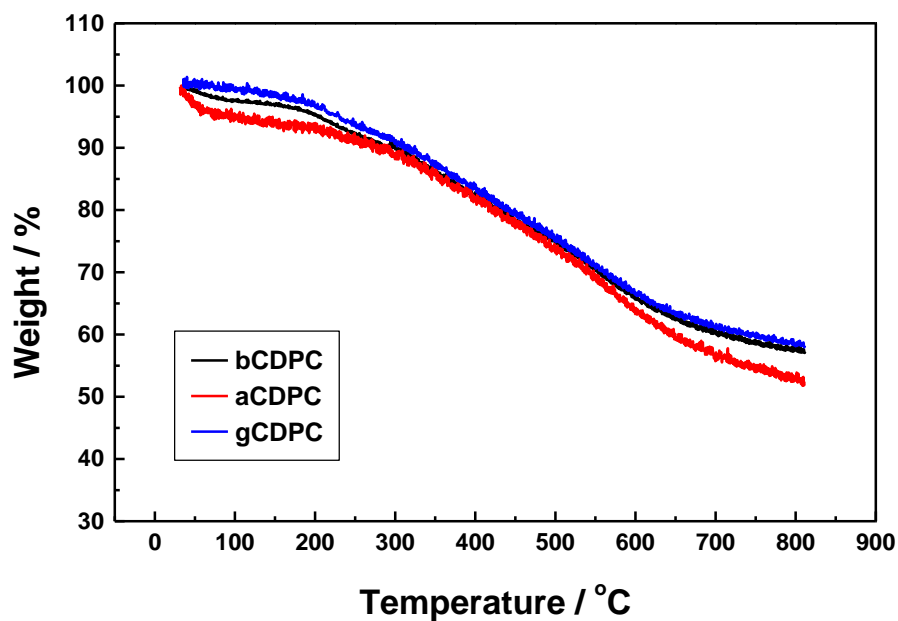


Fig. S5 Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of aCDPC, bCDPC, and gCDPC.

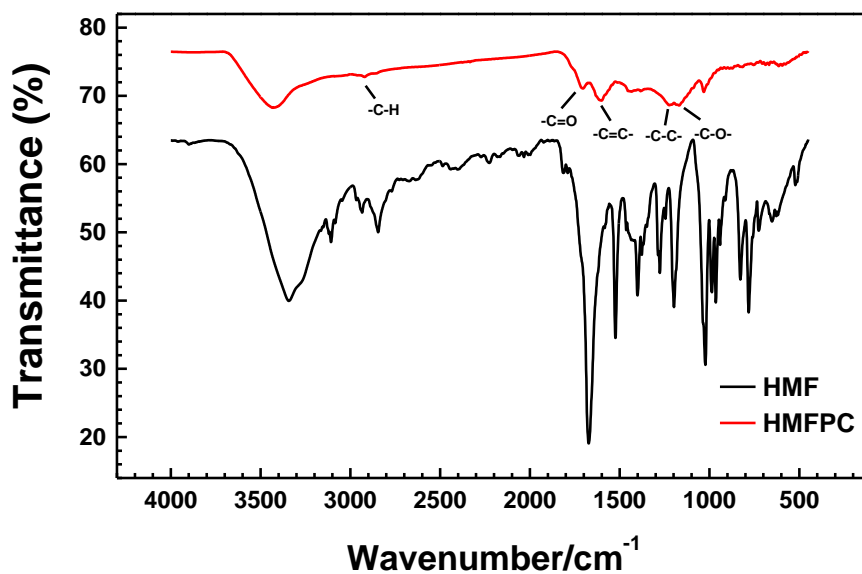


Fig. S6 FT-IR spectra of 5-hydroxymethyl-2-furaldehyde (HMF) and HMFPC.

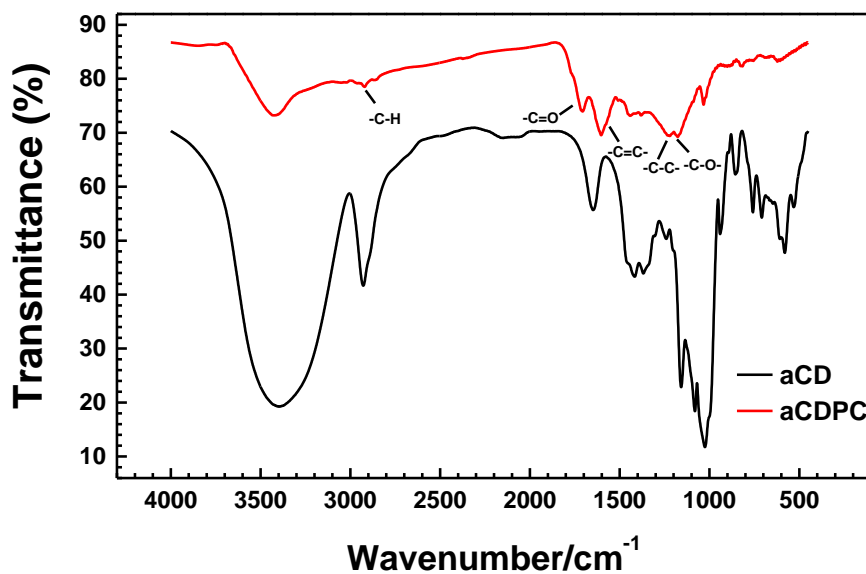


Fig. S7 FT-IR spectra of α -cyclodextrin (aCD) and aCDPC.

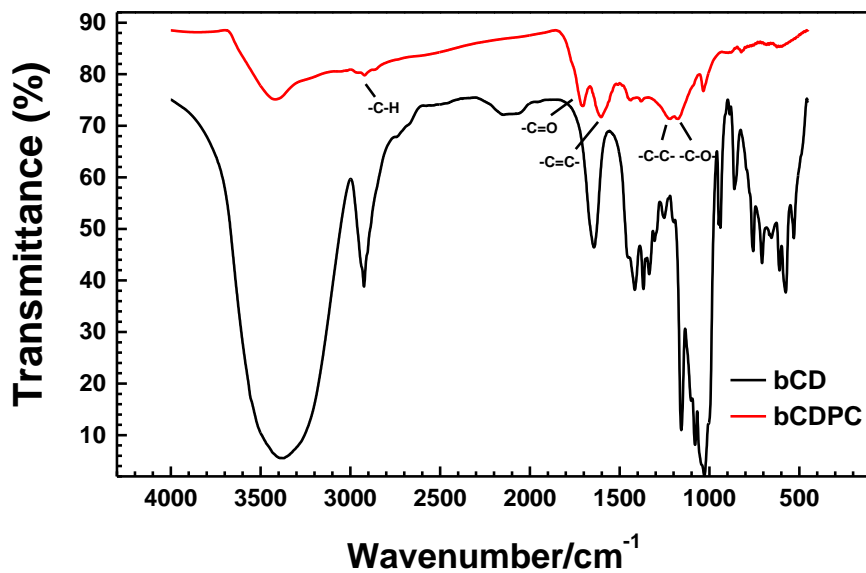


Fig. S8 FT-IR spectra of β -cyclodextrin (bCD) and bCDPC.

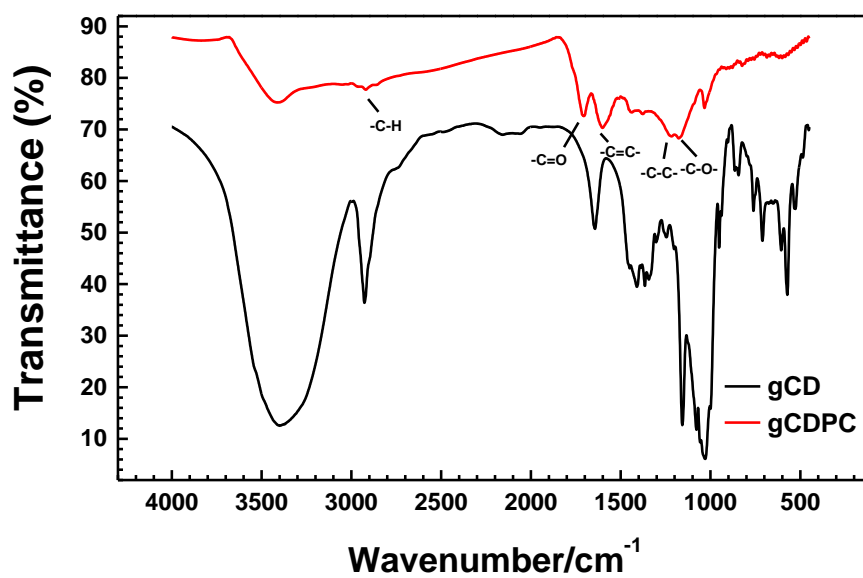


Fig. S9 FT-IR spectra of γ -cyclodextrin (gCD) and gCDPC.

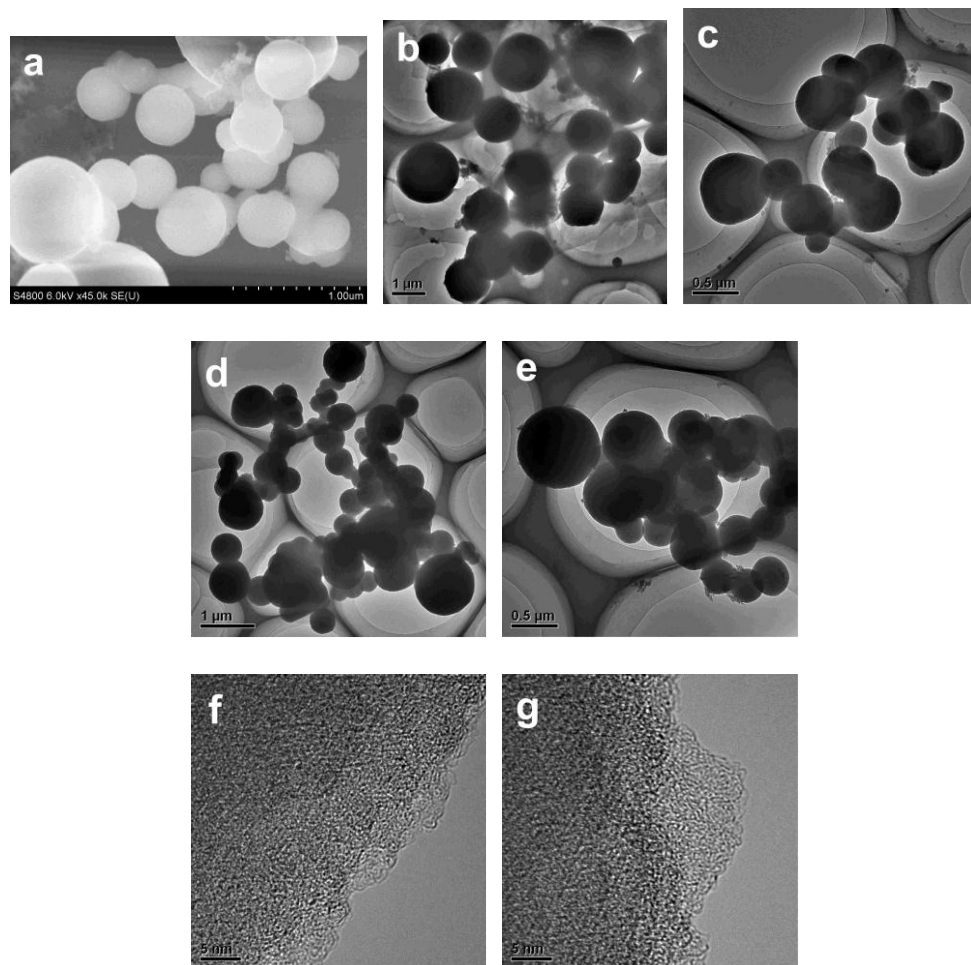


Fig. S10 SEM (a), TEM (b, c, d, and e), and HR-TEM (f and g) images of **aCDPC** (c and f), **bCDPC** (d and g), **gCDPC** (a and e), and **HMFPC** (b).

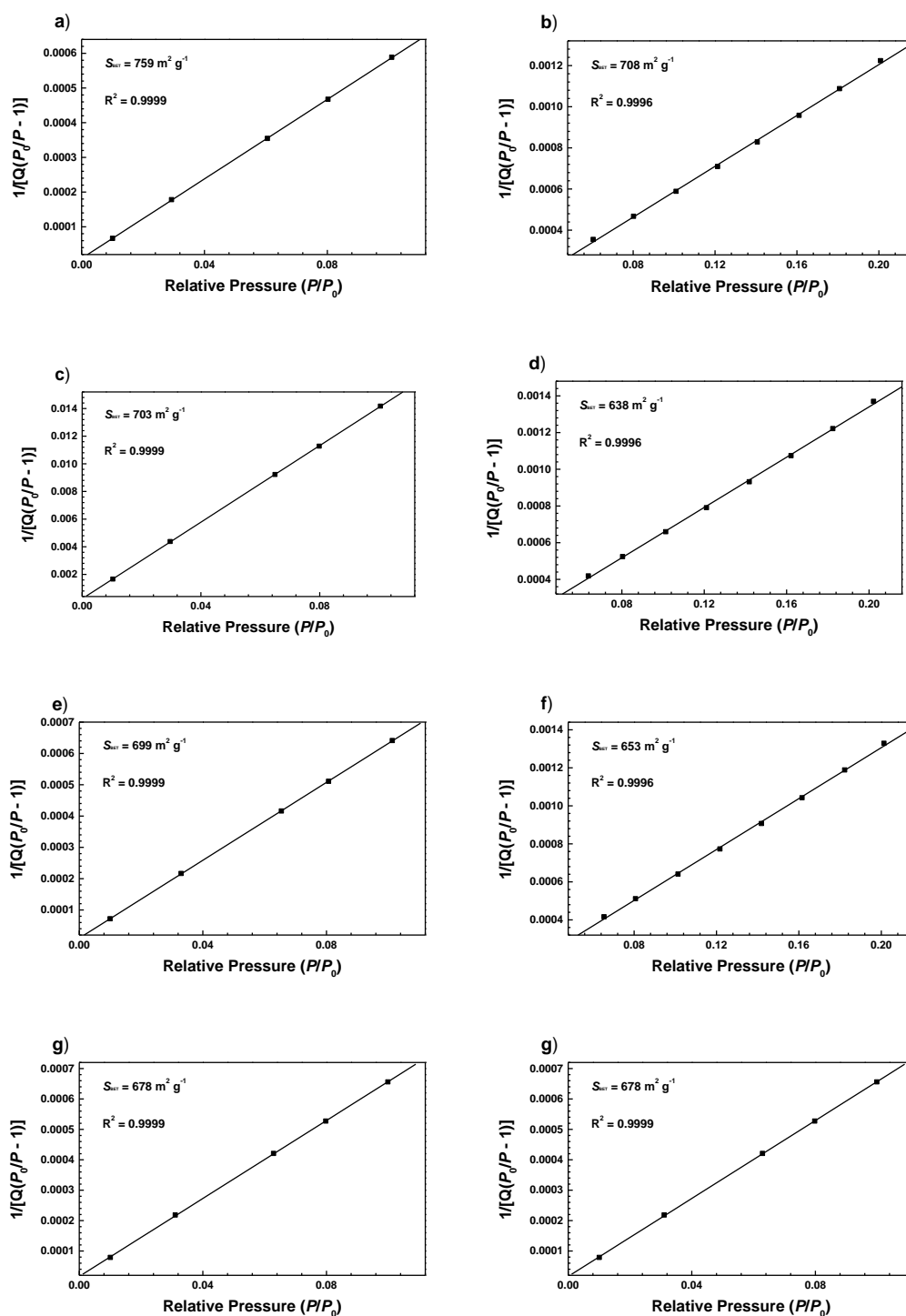


Fig. S11 BET specific surface area plots for **HMFPC** (a, b), **aCDPC** (c, d), **bCDPC** (e, f), and **gCDPC** (g, h) calculated over different relative pressure ranges: $P/P_0 = 0.01-0.10$ (a, c, e, and g) and $P/P_0 = 0.05-0.20$ (b, d, f, and h), respectively.

Table S2 BET specific surface area data calculated over different pressure ranges

Sample	P/P_0 range	S_{BET} ($\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$)	Correlation Coefficient	Number of Points	C constant ^a
HMFC	0.01–0.10	759	0.9999	5	645
HMFC	0.05–0.20	708	0.9996	8	–198
aCDPC	0.01–0.10	703	0.9999	5	577
aCDPC	0.05–0.20	636	0.9996	8	–224
bCDPC	0.01–0.10	616	0.9999	5	616
bCDPC	0.05–0.20	653	0.9996	8	–199
gCDPC	0.01–0.10	678	0.9999	5	340
gCDPC	0.05–0.20	652	0.9998	8	–758

^a The low relative pressure range of 0.01–0.10 using five points gives the higher C constant values and therefore the best fit to the BET equation.

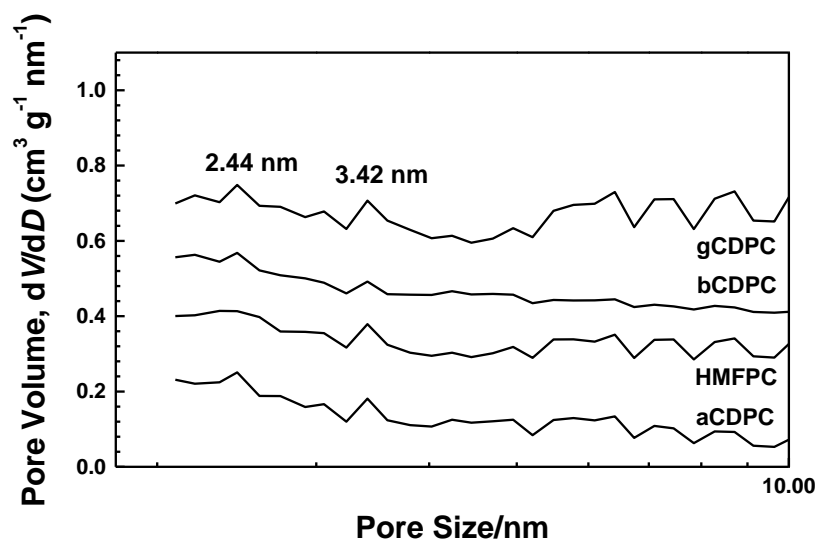


Fig. S12 Pore size distribution profiles calculated by the original DFT method in the mesopore range. The profiles of **HMFPC**, **bCDPC**, and **gCDPC** have also been offset by 0.2 unit for the purpose of clarity.