

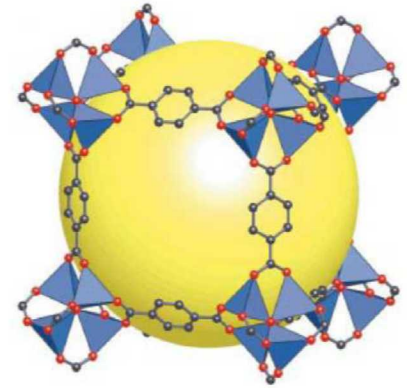
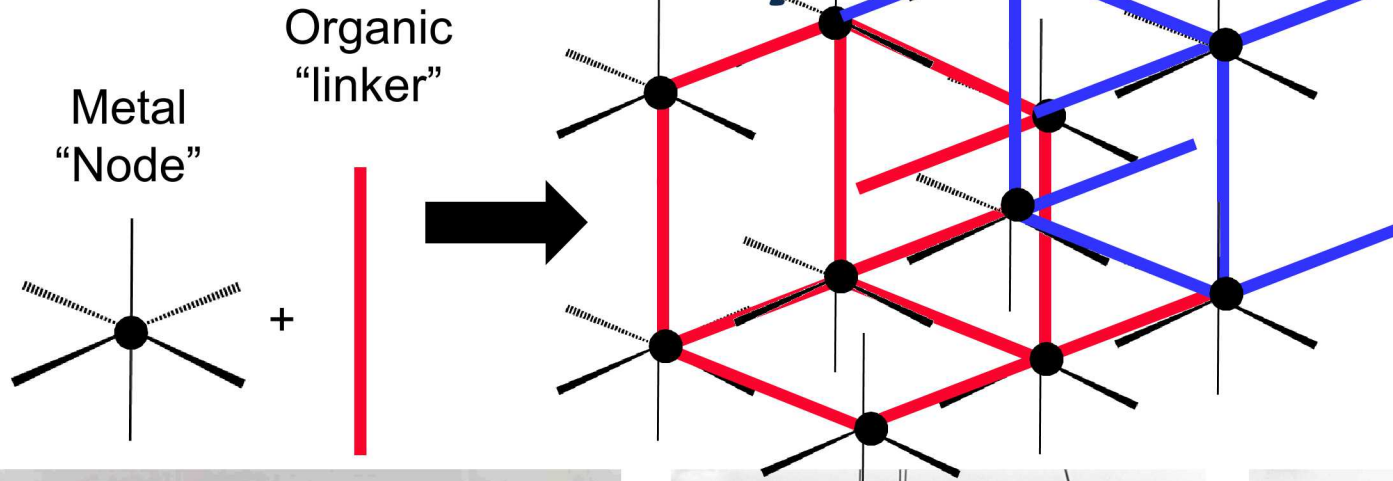
Defects in Metal-Organic Frameworks: blessing or curse?

Mark D. Allendorf

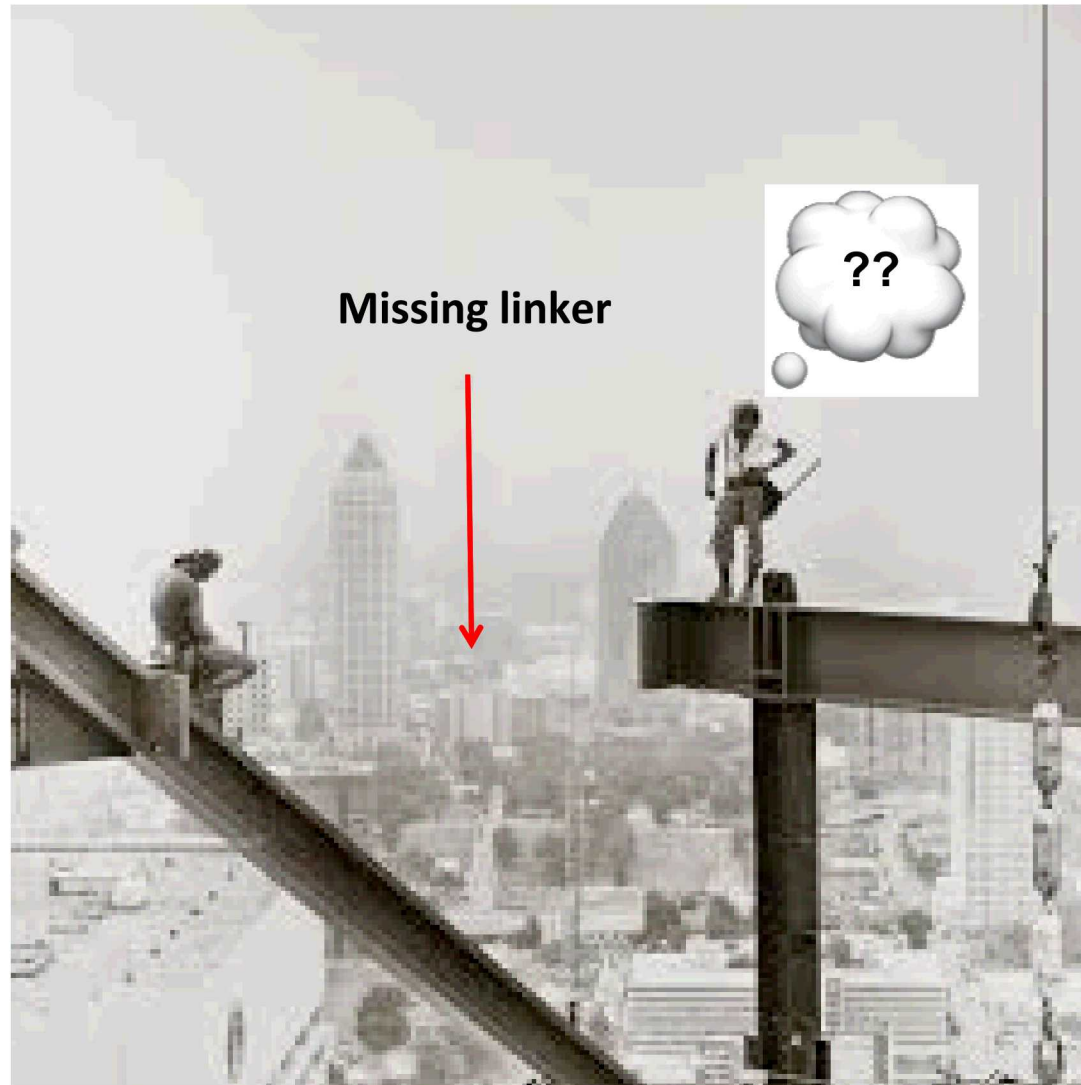
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MOF self assembly



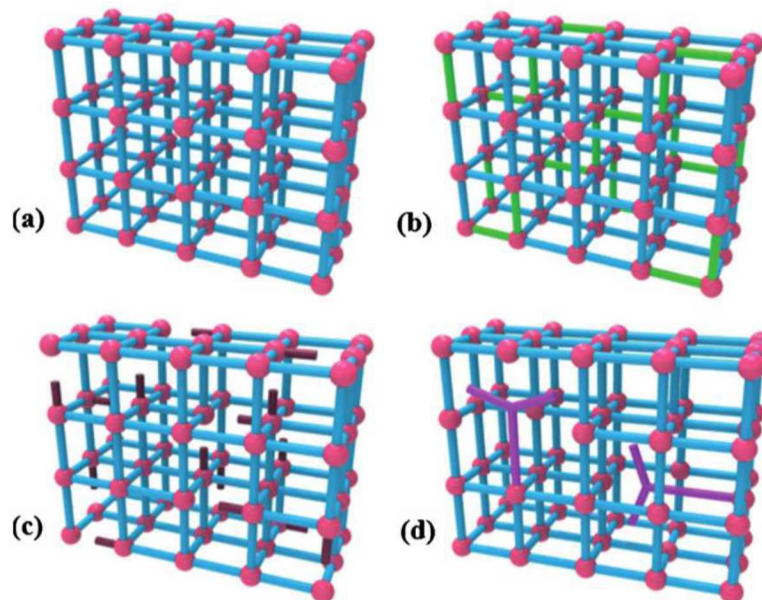
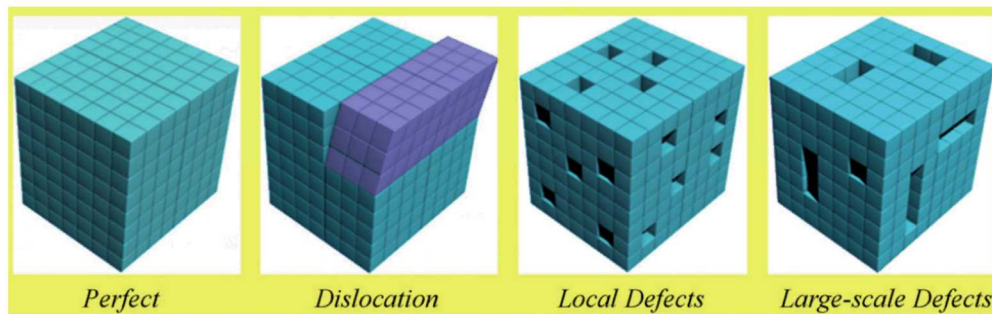
Things don't always go as planned...



Defects in MOFs are now well known

Effects include:

- Gas storage/separations: altered mass transport
- Catalysis: Brønsted or Lewis acid sites
- Luminescence: modified band gaps
- Magnetic properties: ferromagnetism introduced by point defects
- Mechanical properties: reduced stiffness



Fischer et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2015, **54**, 7234

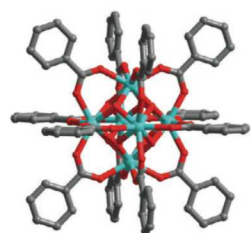
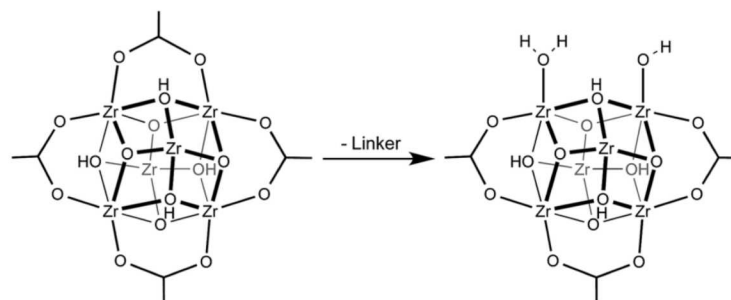
When defects turn into virtues: The curious case of zirconium-based metal-organic frameworks

Marco Taddei

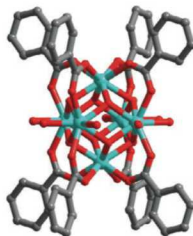
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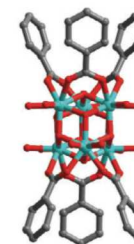
MOFs with tunable acid site concentrations and pore size



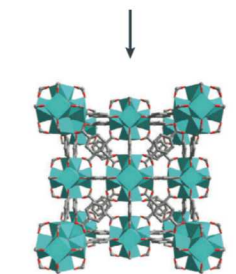
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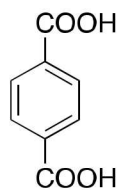
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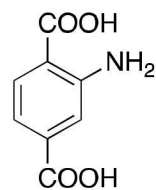
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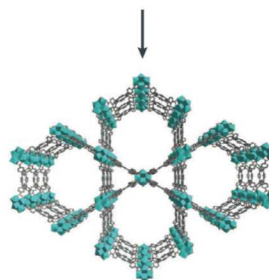
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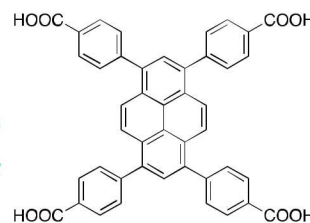
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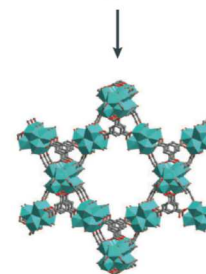
UiO-66-NH₂



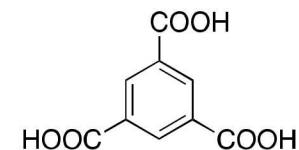
30 Å and 15 Å



NU-1000



17 Å



MOF-808(Zr, Hf)

- **Defects in a 3D MOF: HKUST-1**
 - Defects as color centers: colorimetric sensing of water vapor
 - Guest molecules as dopants (or are they?)
- **Defects in 2D MOFs: $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ a “Metal-Organic Graphene Analog”**
 - Semiconducting vs. metallic: a DFT-experimental conflict
 - Polycrystallinity and growth mechanism
 - Pd- and Pt-substituted MOGs: tunable semiconductivity

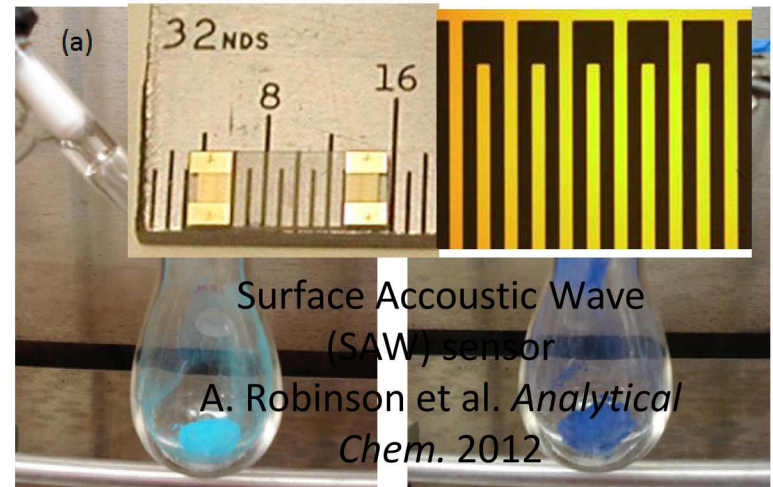
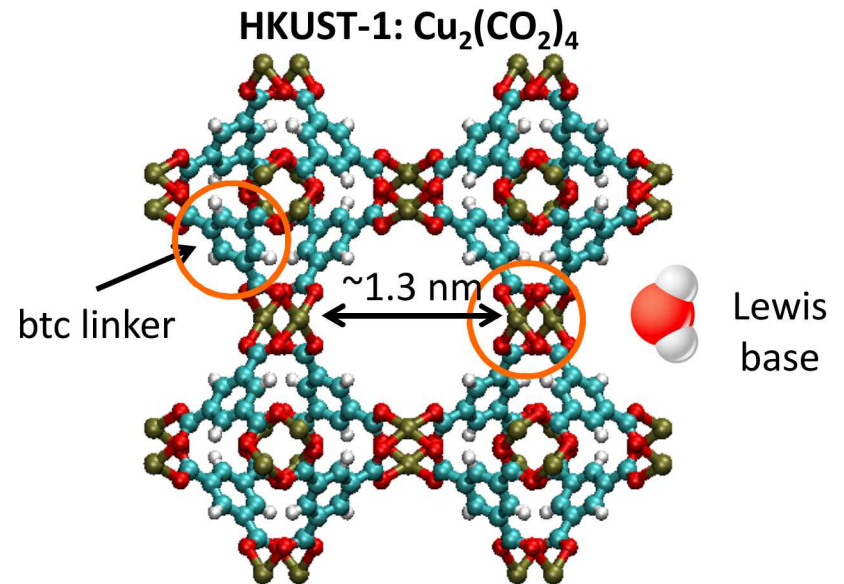
Many manufacturing processes require rigorous control of humidity levels, but low-cost, compact sensing packages



Pharmaceuticals: 3%RH at 25 °C



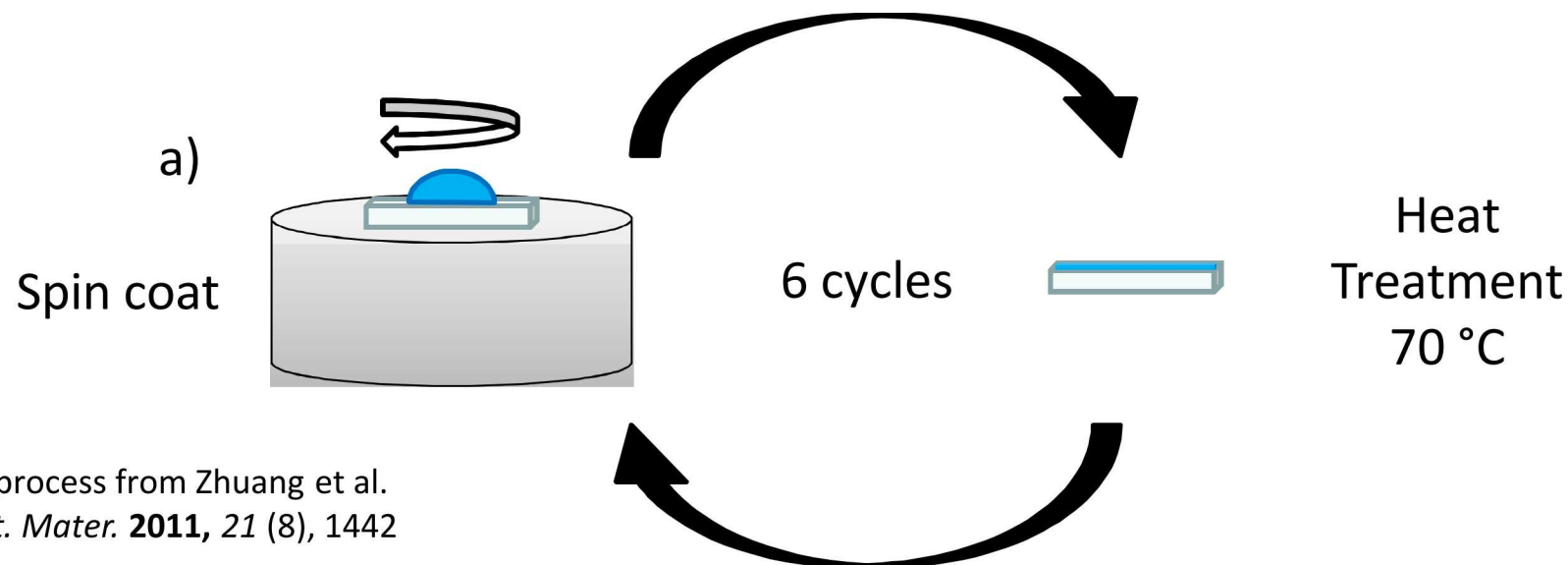
Li battery manufacturing:
Dew point -40 – -45 °C (< 0.5%RH)



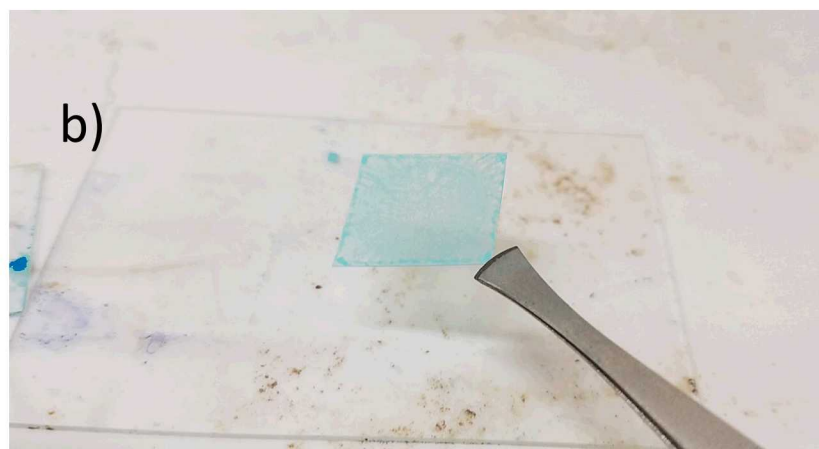
As synthesized

Heated to 180 °C/vacuum⁷

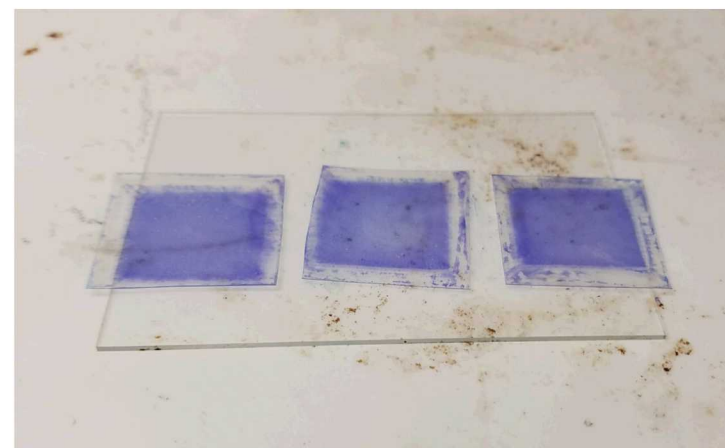
Spin coat and evaporative heating scheme for growth of HKUST-1 thin films on glass or plastic substrates



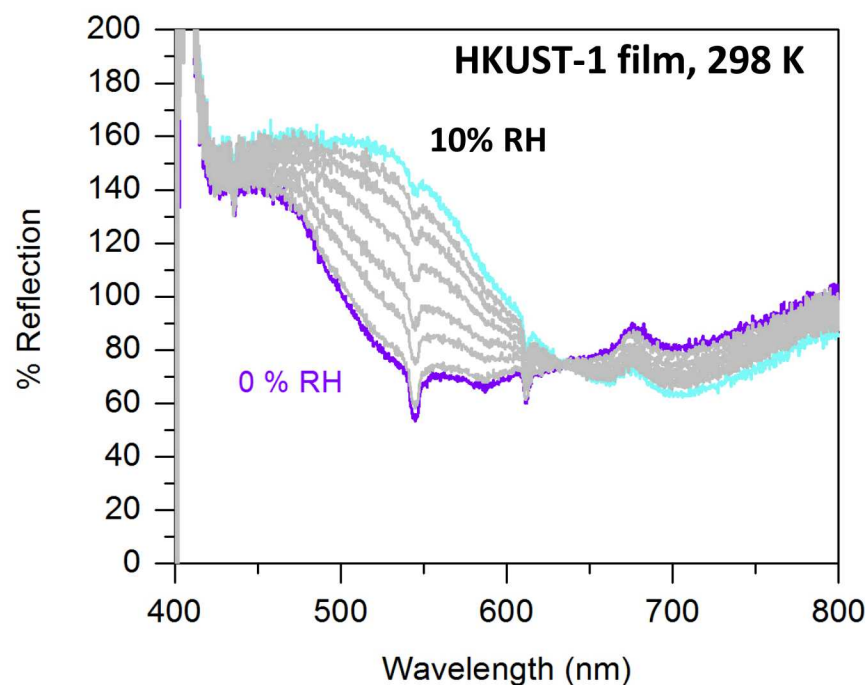
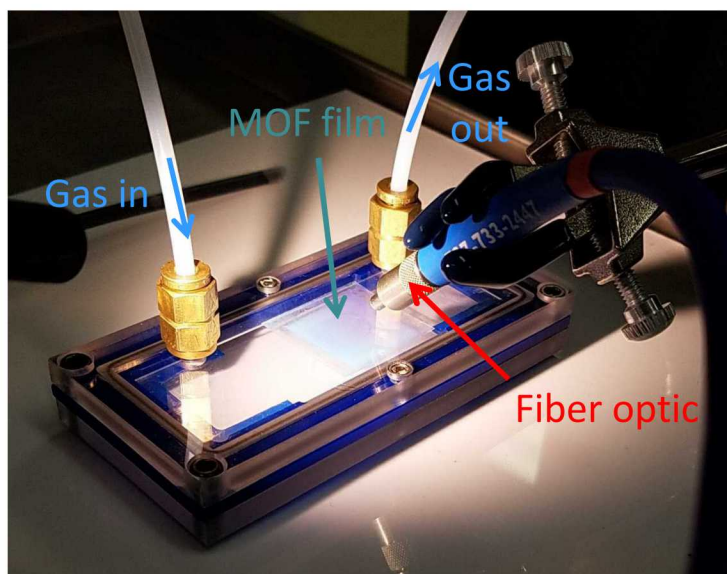
Modified process from Zhuang et al.
Adv. Funct. Mater. **2011**, 21 (8), 1442



100 °C

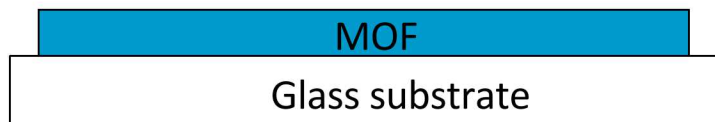


Water vapor is easily detected and quantified by changes in the optical reflectance spectrum of HKUST-1

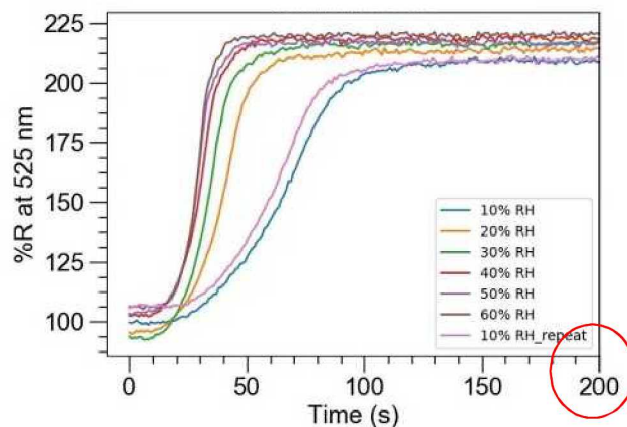


Hybrid MOF/polymer films detection at RH $\geq 10\%$ using time-dependent reflectance

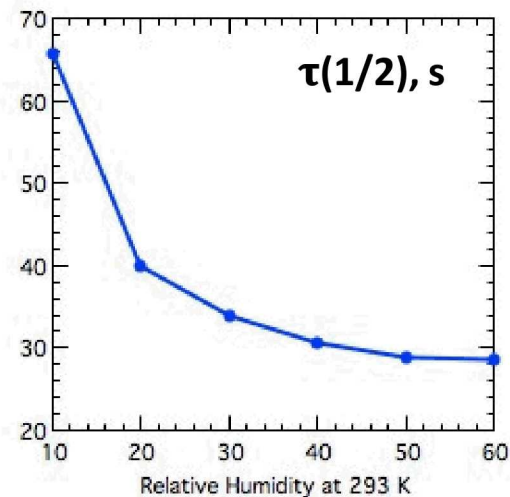
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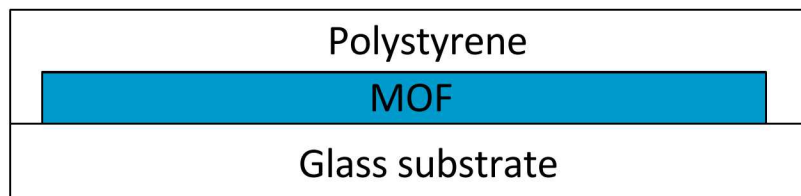
Normalized signal



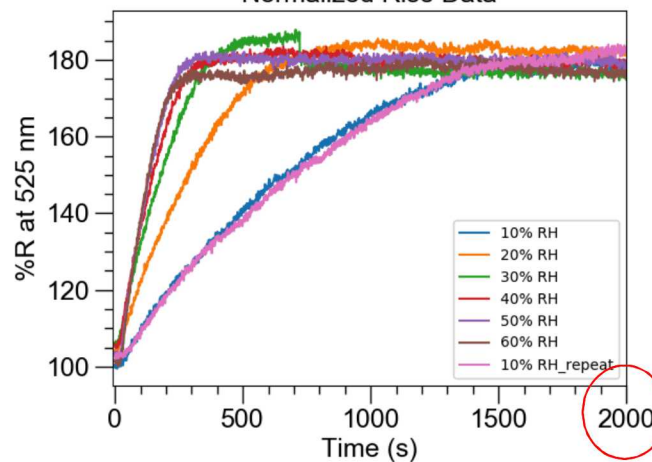
Decay time to 50% max absorbance



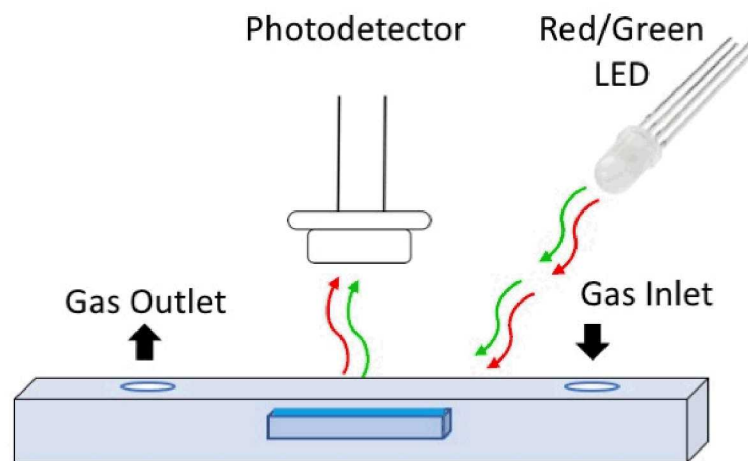
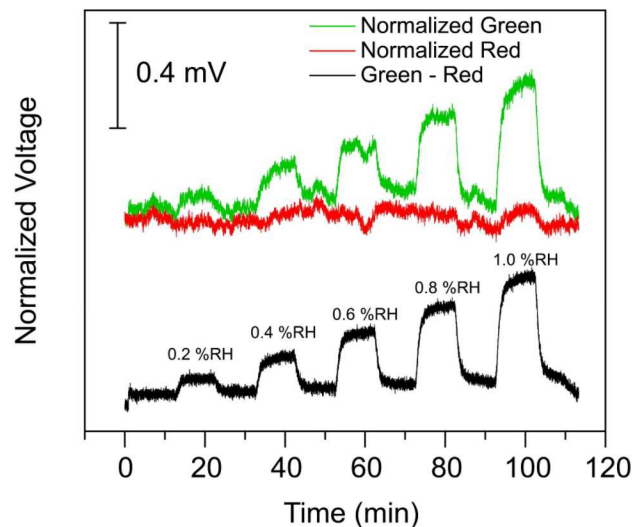
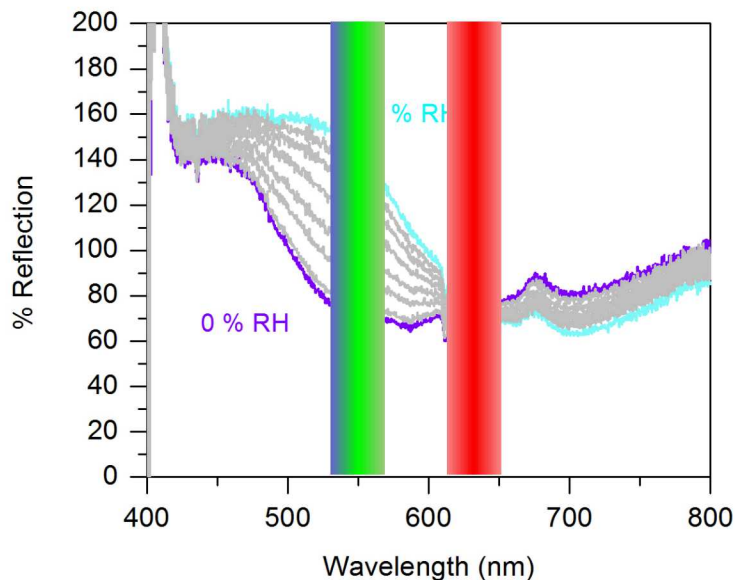
MOF-polymer composite



Normalized Rise Data



Practical implementation: a low-cost, compact sensor



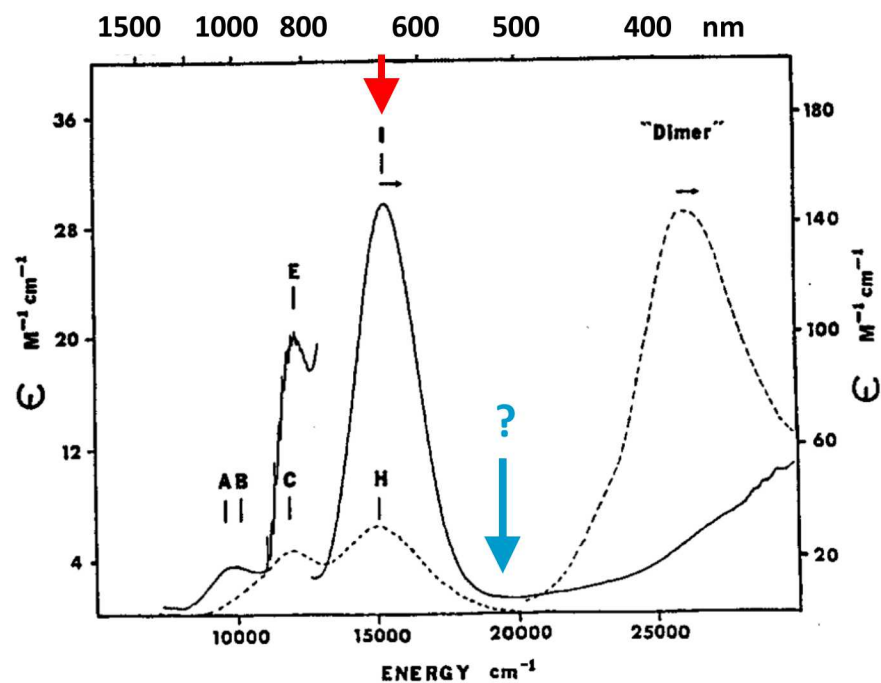
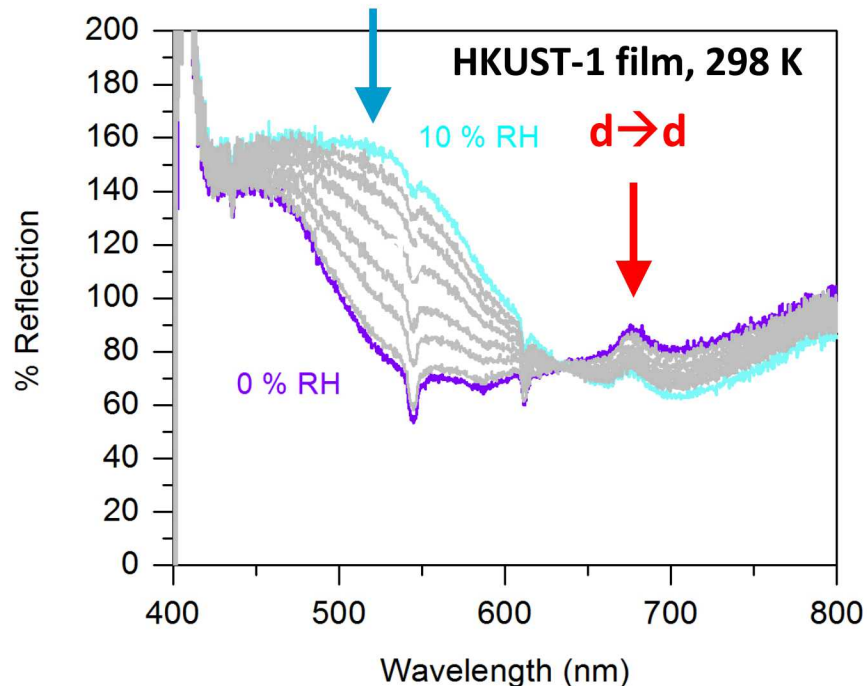
- Reflectance measurement
- $\Delta\lambda(\text{max})$, 525 nm: green LED
- $\lambda(\text{isosbestic})$, 635nm: red LED
- Average photovoltage during alternating 200- μs pulses of green and red light
- 5 data points/ 2 s
- Normalized, subtracted data $\ll$ noise than the green signal alone
- Detection limit $< 0.2 \text{ \%RH}$

The origin of the HKUST-1 color change with H₂O is a mystery

Molecular analogue of MOF
of Cu(acetate)₂(pyrazine)



Due to framework?



Low-T (5 K) single-crystal absorption spectra
Ross, Allendorf, and Solomon *JACS* **1989**, *111*, 4009

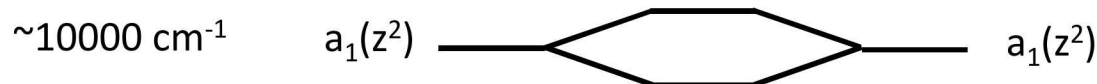
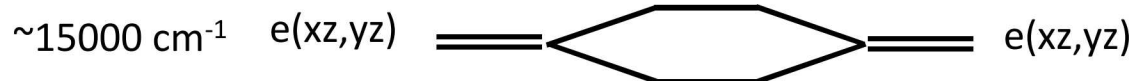
Electronic excited states of TCNQ@Cu₃(btc)₂

— Copper Paddlewheel
ligand-field states (D_{4h})

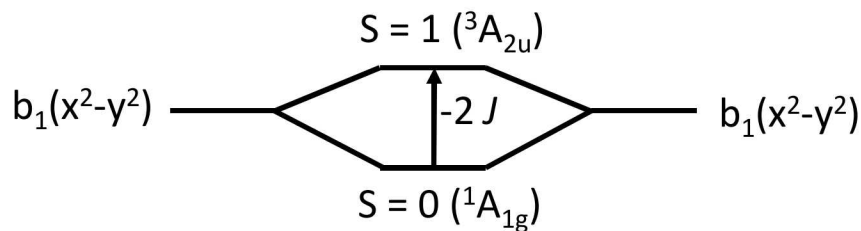
— H₂O – framework?

~19000 cm⁻¹

Cu d orbitals
(C_{4v})

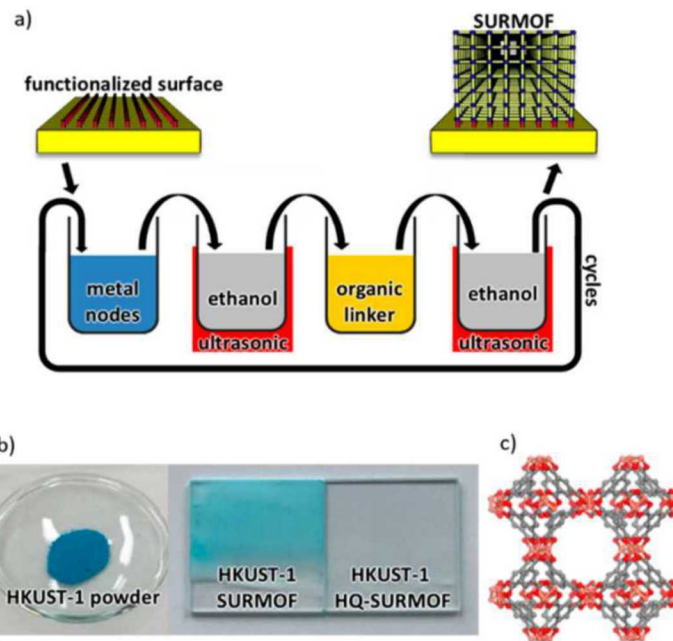
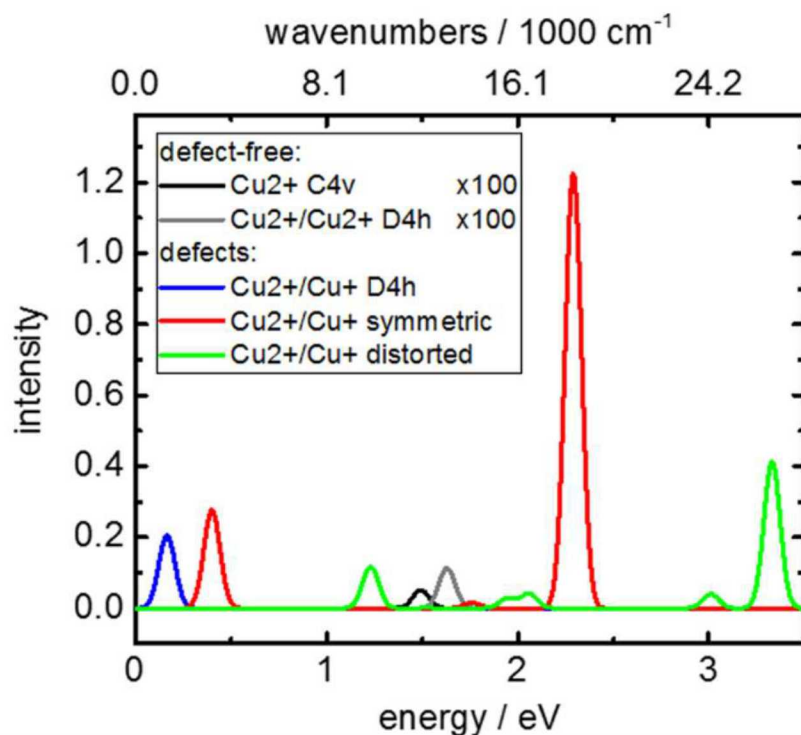


Antiferromagnetically
coupled ground state



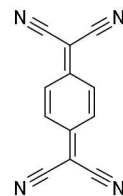
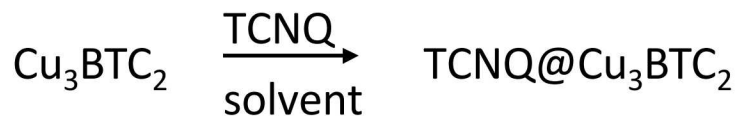
MOF color centers: partial reduction of Cu dimers in HKUST-1

- “High-quality” (low defect) thin films are colorless
- Pristine MOF: high symmetry reduces oscillator strength of d-d transitions
- Theory (CASSCF): $\text{Cu}^{1+} - \text{Cu}^{2+}$ defects
 - Symmetry is reduced
 - d-d absorptions localized on Cu^{2+} increase

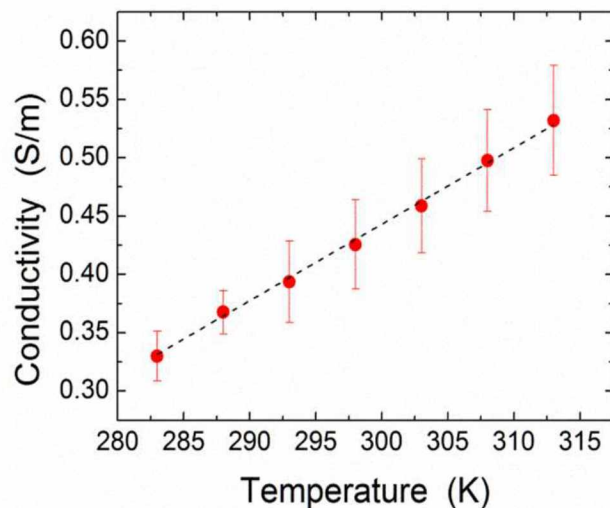


C. Wöll et al.
ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces 2017, **9**, 37463

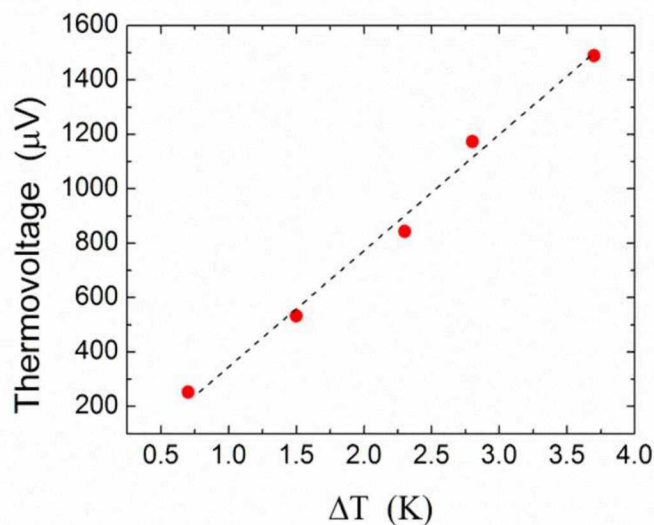
TCNQ@Cu₃BTC₂: bridging ligand or dopant?



TCNQ: 7,7,8,8-tetracyanoquinodimethane



$$\sigma = 0.07 \text{ S/cm}$$



$$S = +375 \text{ } \mu\text{V/K}$$

→ Holes are the majority carrier

M. D. Allendorf *et al.*, *Science* **2014**, 343, 66

A. Talin *et al.*, *Adv Mater* **2015**, 27, 3453

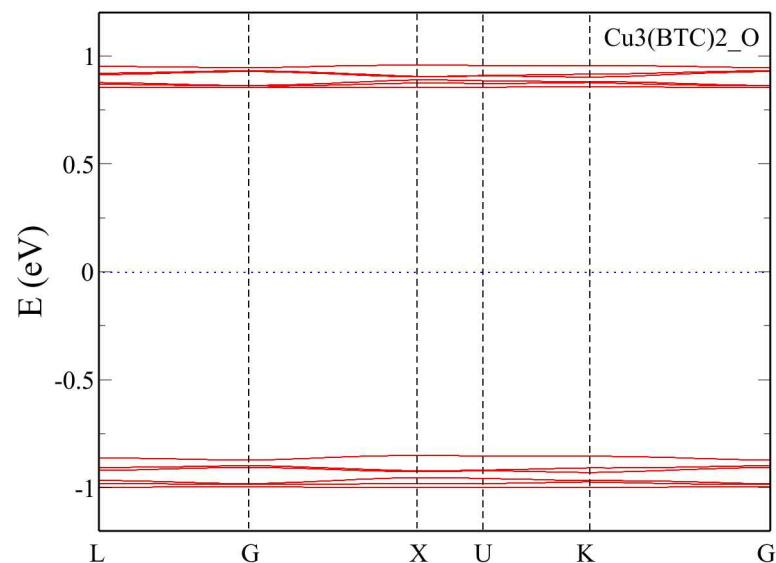
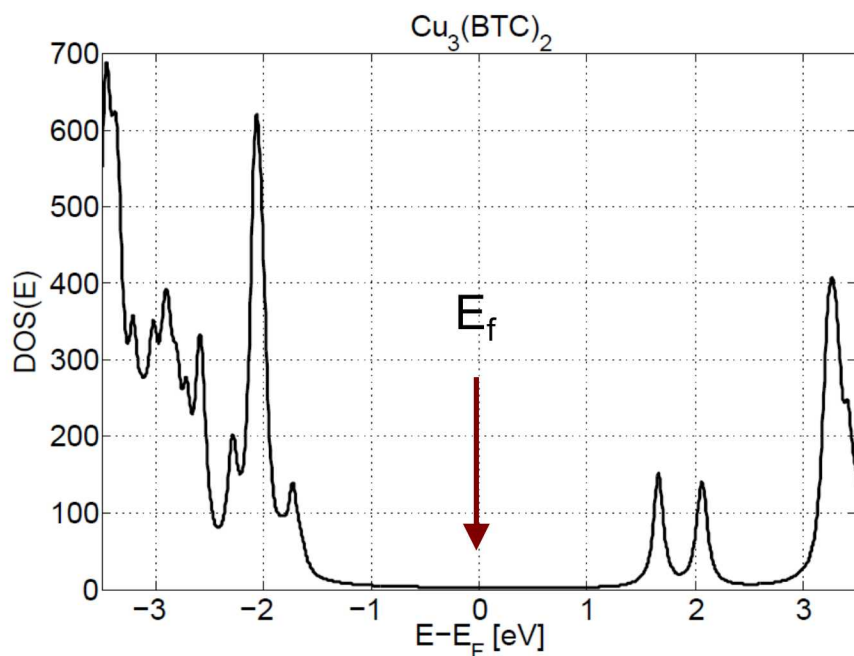
M. Dincă *et al.*, *Angew. Chem.* **2016**, 55, 3566

H. Baumgart *et al.*,

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The case for TCNQ as dopant: band structure of $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ shows little or no delocalization

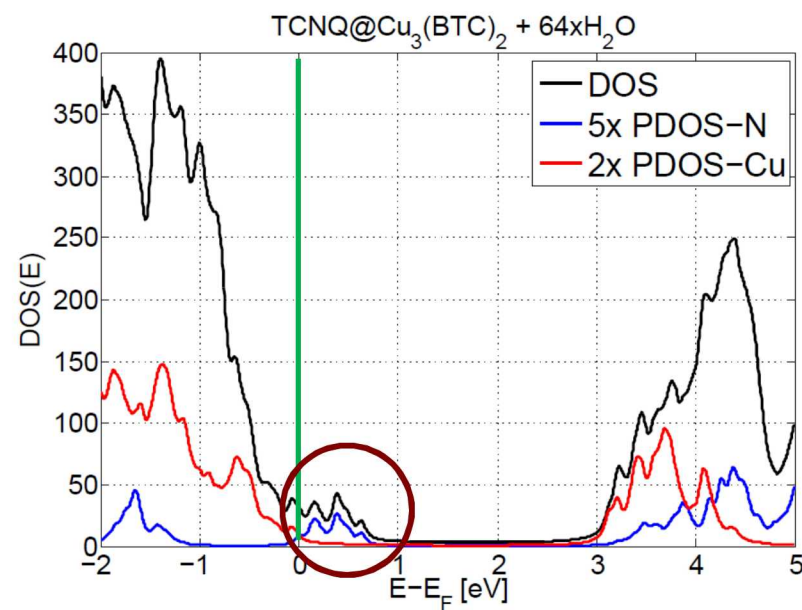
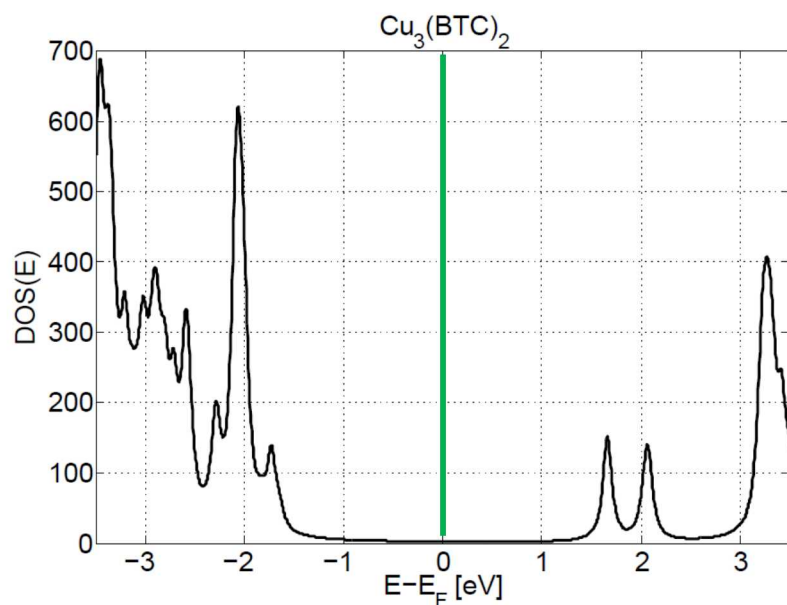
Predicted DOS for $\text{Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$, computed by DFT using the hybrid functional HSE06



This picture is consistent with insulating nature of this MOF

The case for TCNQ as dopant: infiltration with TCNQ moves E_f close to MOF V_b

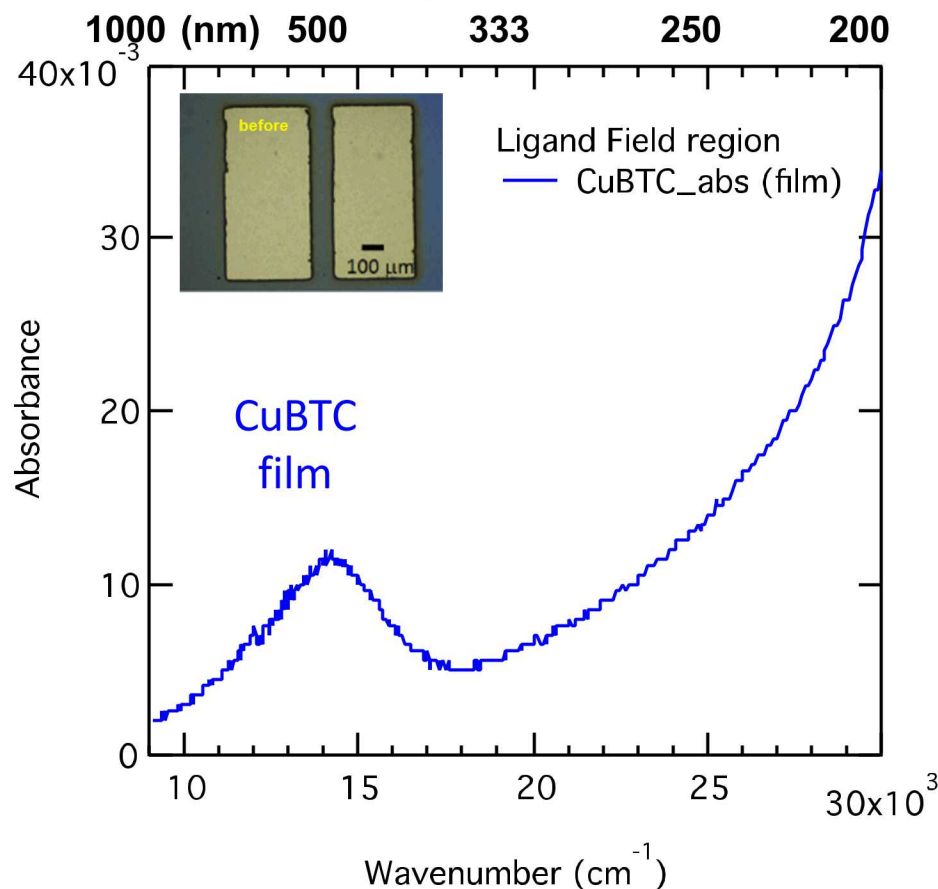
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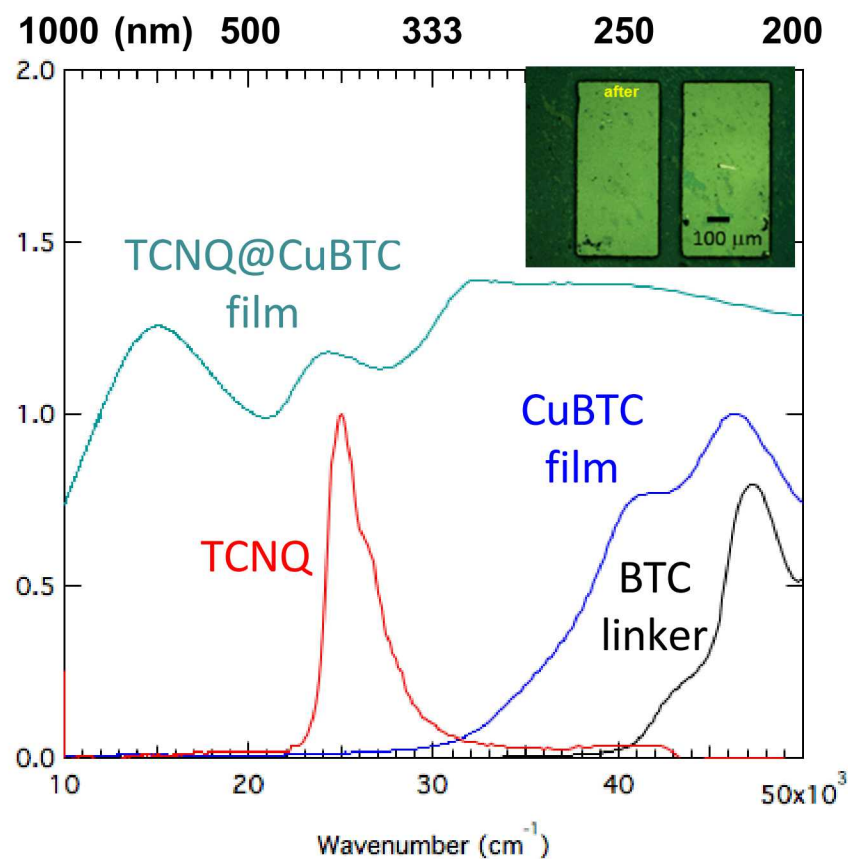
TCNQ@Cu₂(BTC)₃ exhibits strong new absorption bands



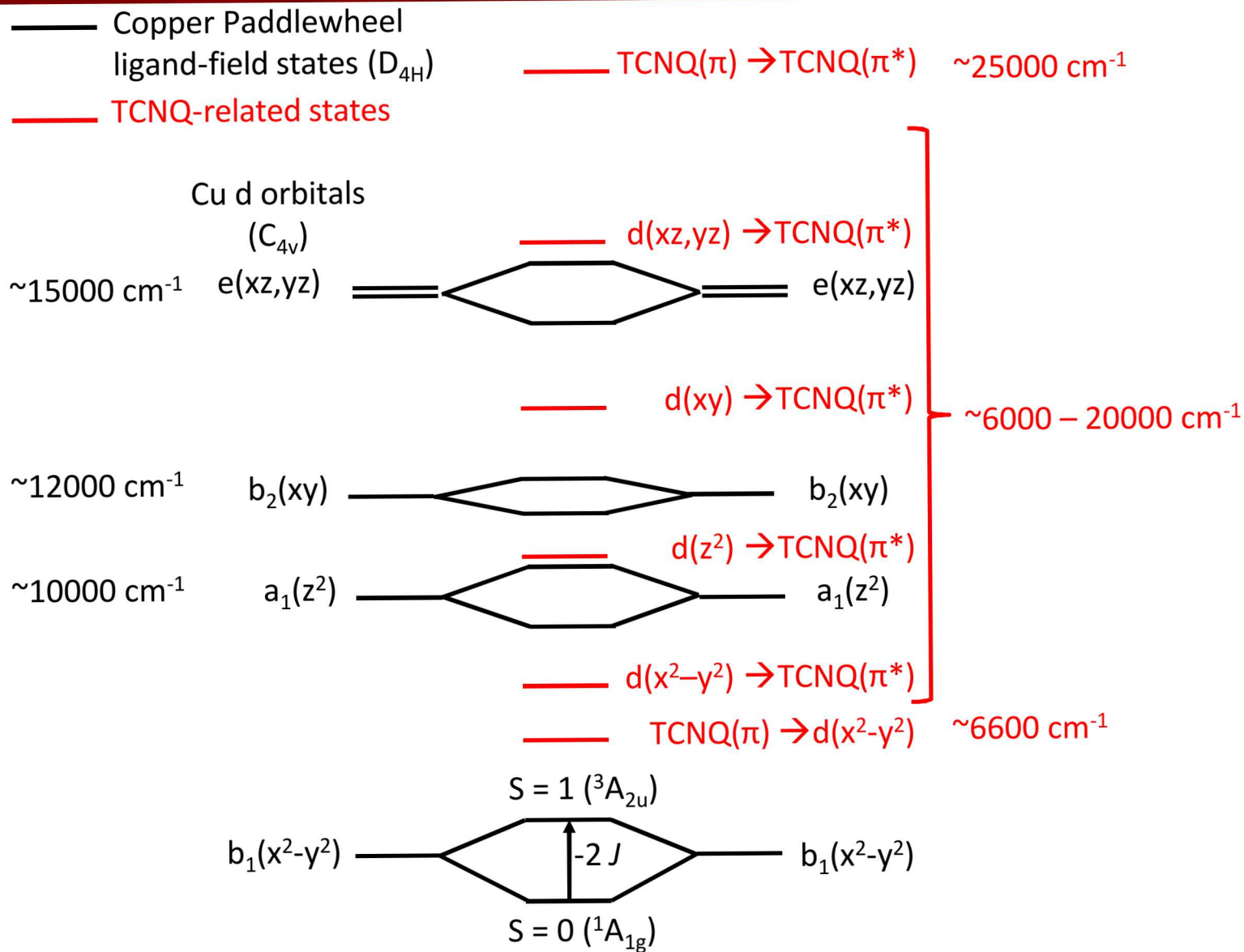
Cu(II) d-d transitions
(weak)



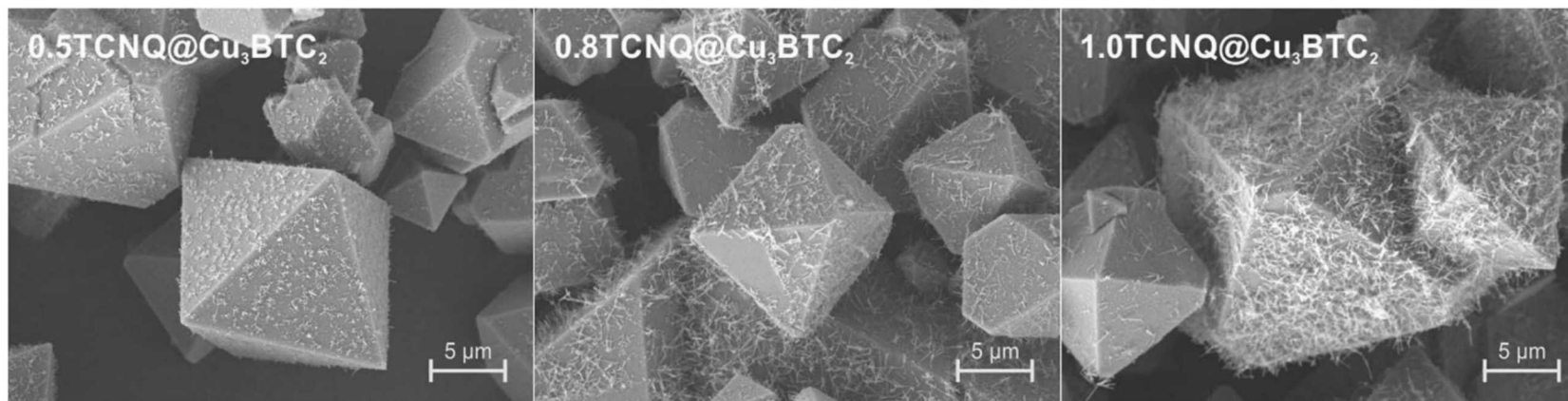
Charge transfer transitions



Electronic excited states of TCNQ@Cu₃(btc)₂

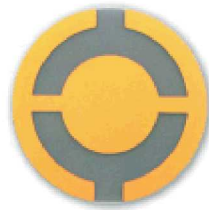
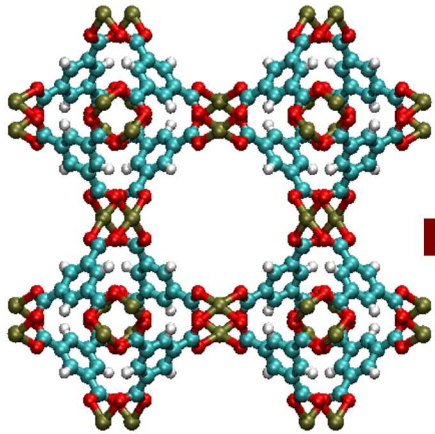


Vapor-phase TCNQ infiltration creates C(TCNQ) nanowires on particle surfaces

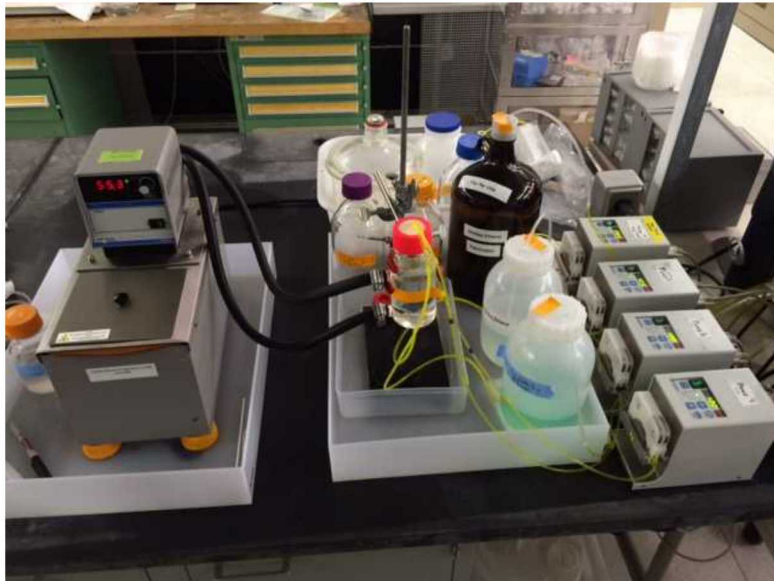


Layer-by-layer MOF film growth: liquid-phase epitaxy

HKUST-1

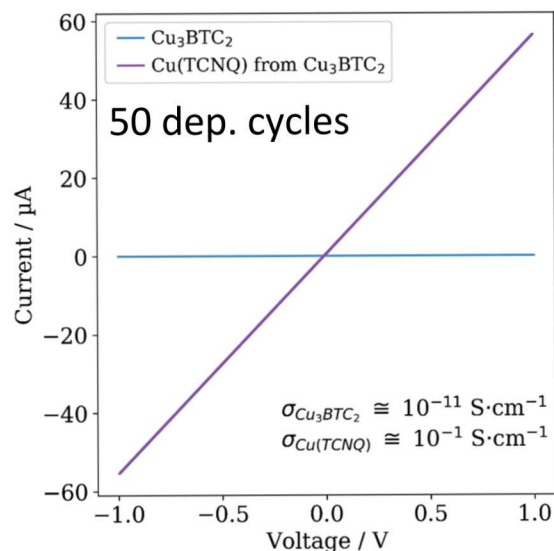
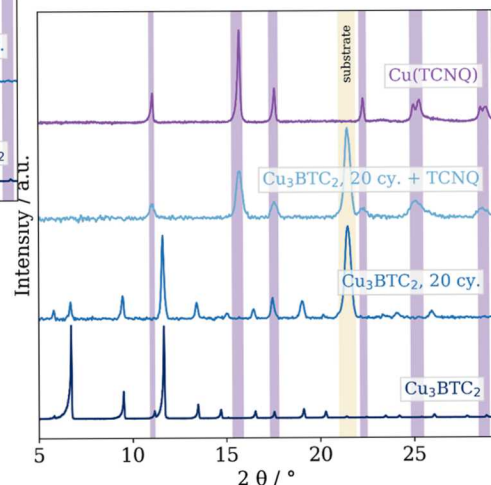
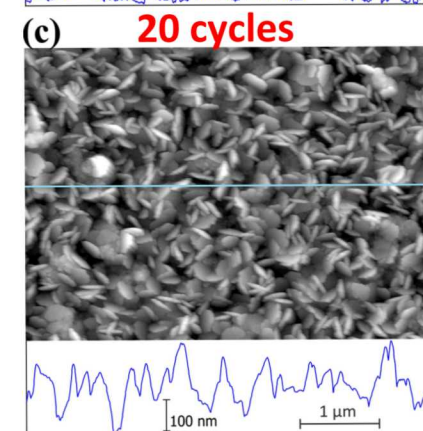
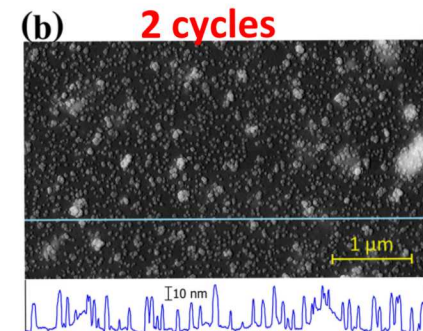
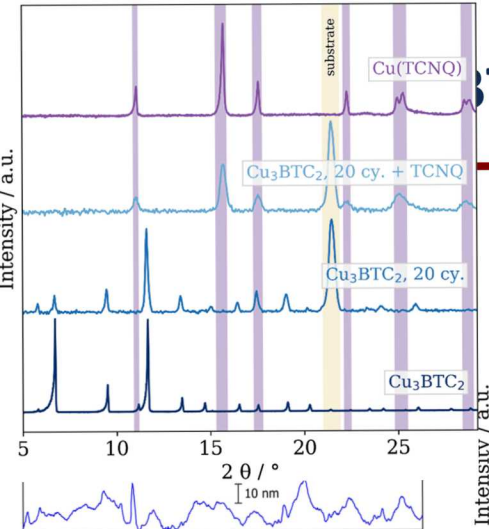


QCM crystal

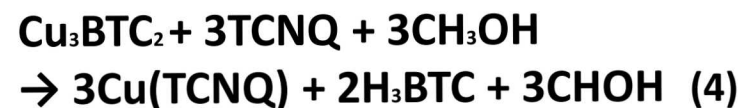
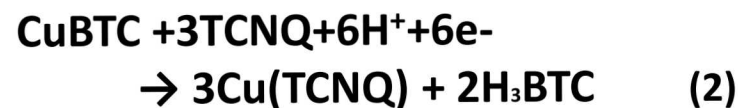


Automated MOF film growth with QCM capability

Cu_3BTC_2 to form Cu(I)TCNQ



Cu(II) and TCNQ reduced by MeOH/H₂O:



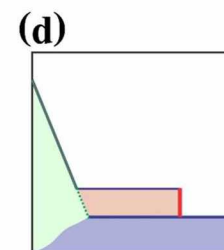
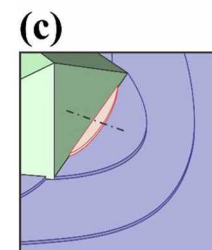
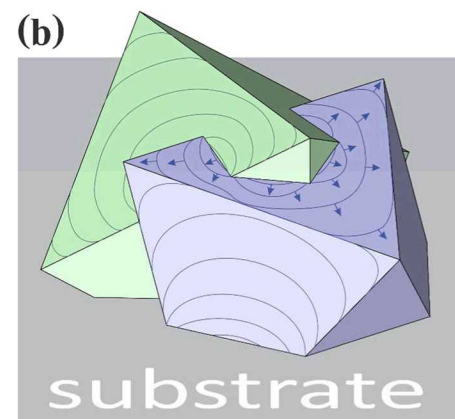
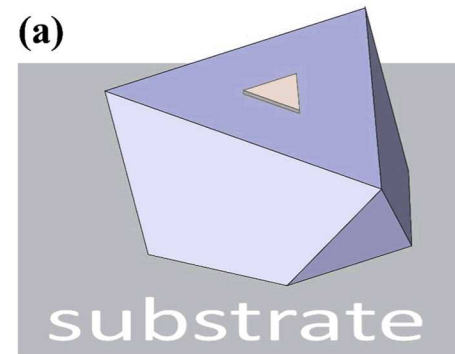
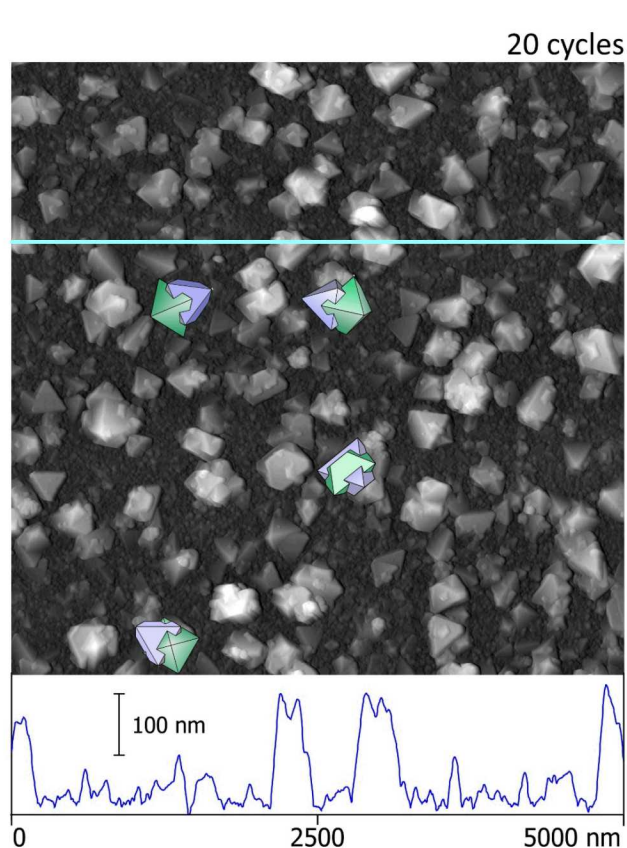
- Cu(TCNQ) is n type vs. TCNQ@Cu₃BTC₂ is p type
- New method for depositing Cu(TCNQ) on patterned substrates: MOF provides template

Mechanism of bimodal crystallite growth

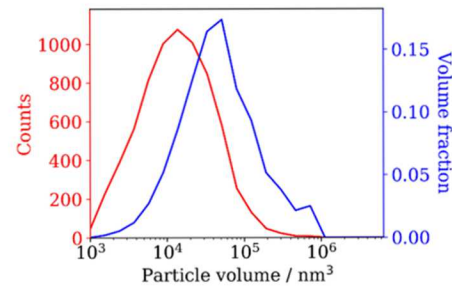
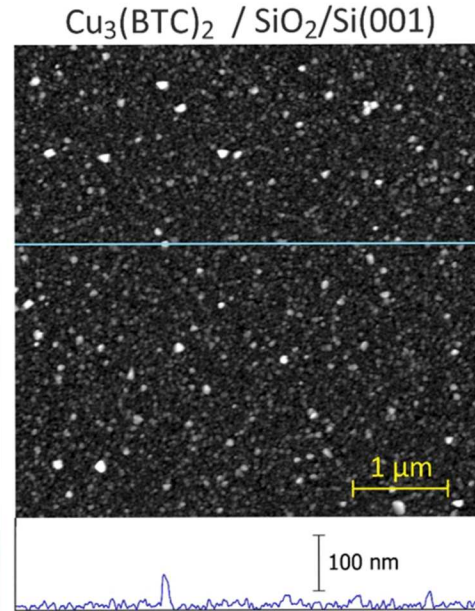
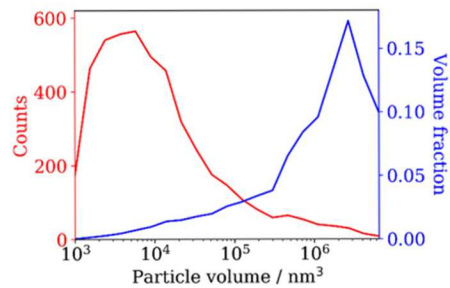
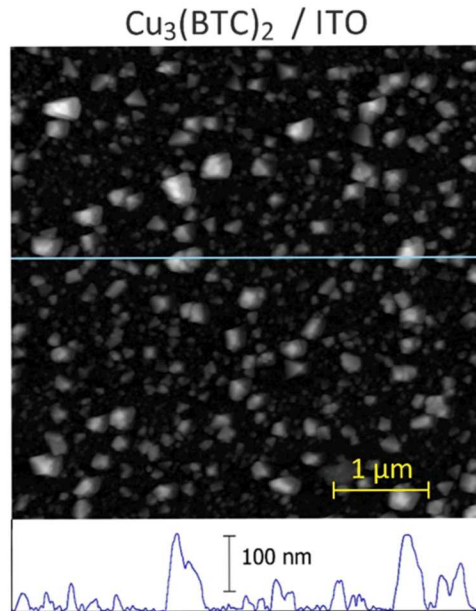
- a). Monocrystal via nucleation of new 2D layers E_{step}
Accelerated growth of compound crystals:
- b) and c). New 2D layers formed at domain boundary between 2 crystallites
- d). New surface step energetics

$$E_{\text{nuc2D}} \approx E_{\text{step}} + E_{\text{if}} - E_{\text{Surf}}$$

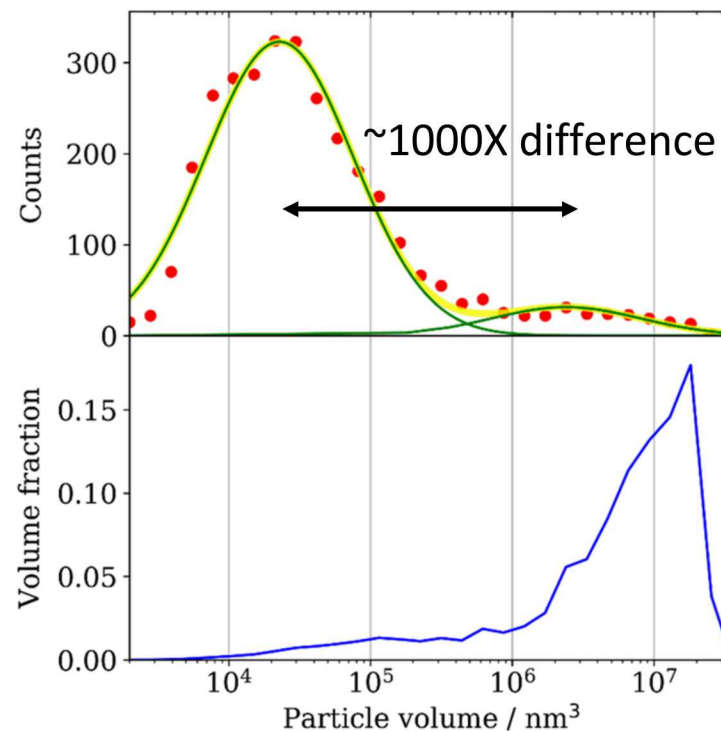
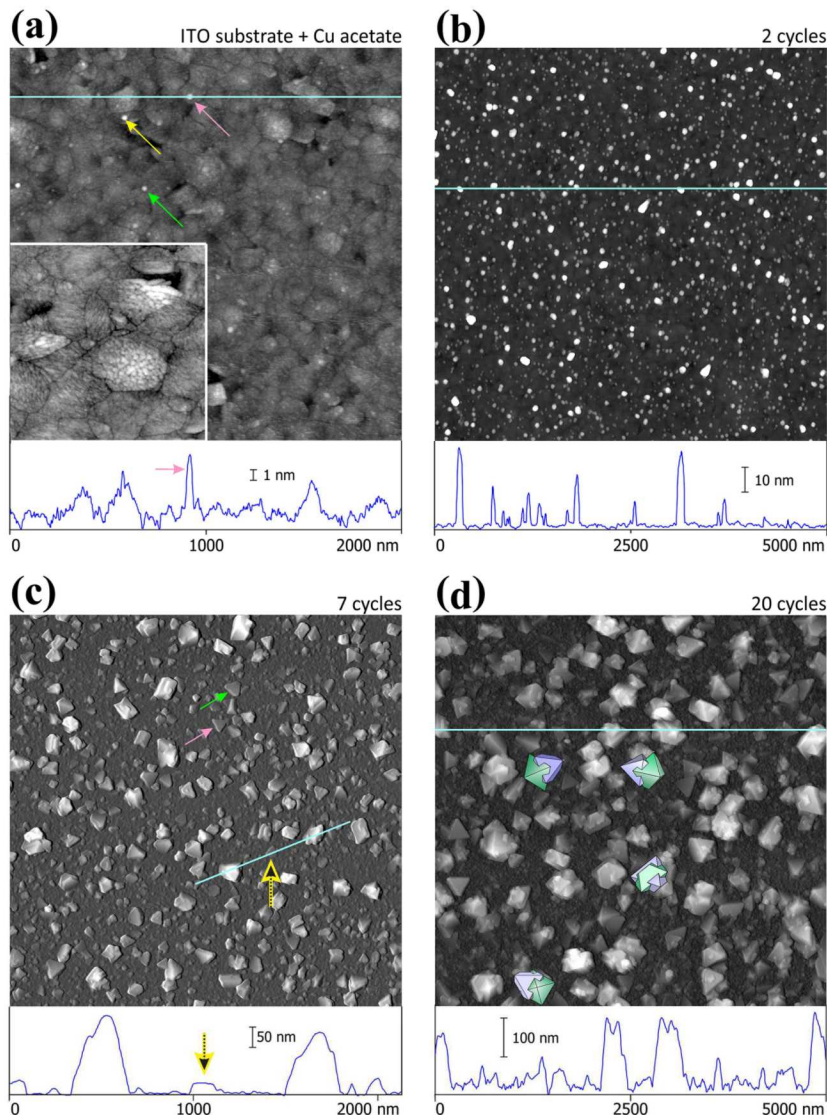
If $E_{\text{step}} \approx E_{\text{surf}}$
 $\rightarrow$ Bimodal distribution implies
 E_{if} is small



Amorphous substrates promote random growth directions, leading to narrower crystallite size distributions



Cu_3BTC_2 film morphology evolves as the number of deposition cycles increases

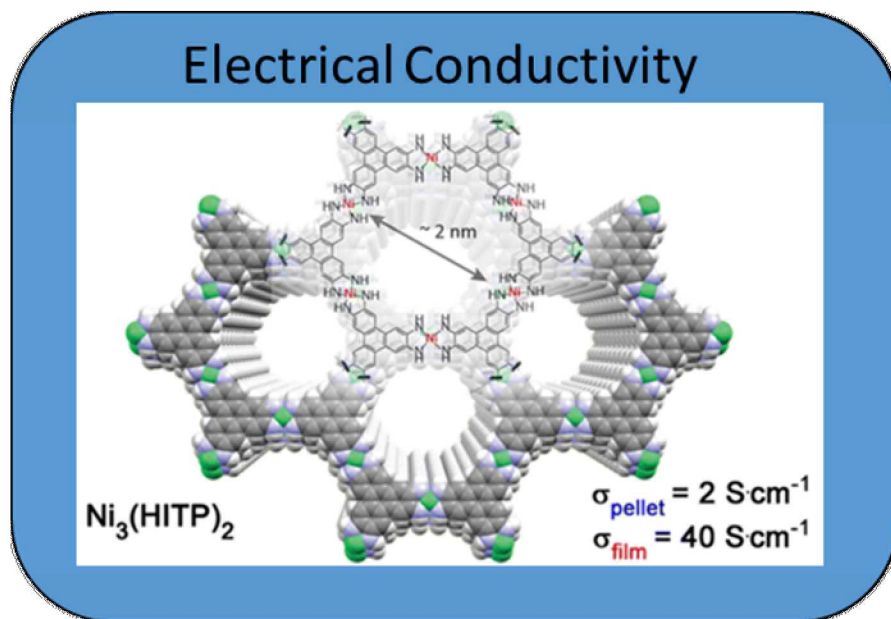


From the unusual bimodal, non-log-normal distribution of crystal domain sizes, we conclude that the nucleation of new layers of Cu_3BTC_2 is greatly enhanced by surface defects and thus difficult to control

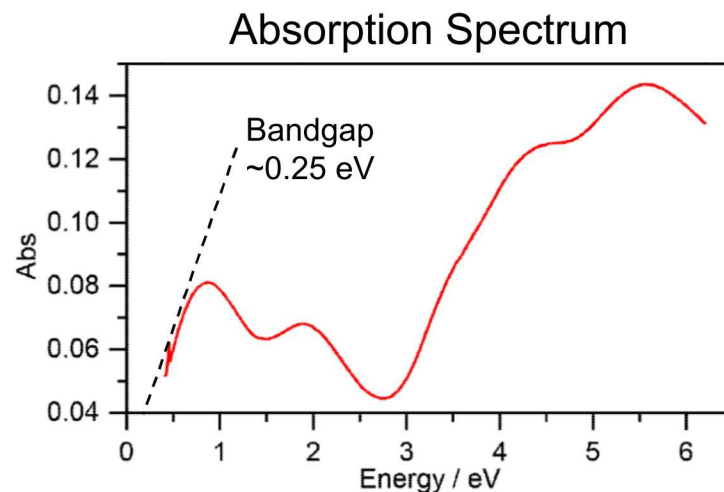
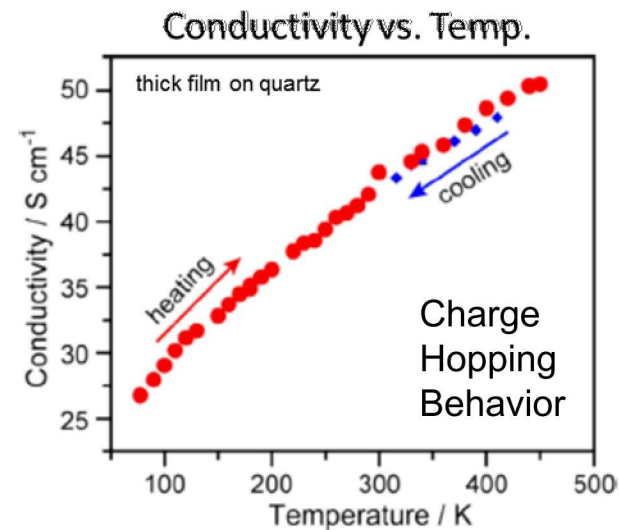
Defects in 2D MOFs: metallic vs. semiconducting behavior

Metal-Organic Graphene Analogues (MOGs): promising MOFs for device applications

$\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ – Experimental conductivity data

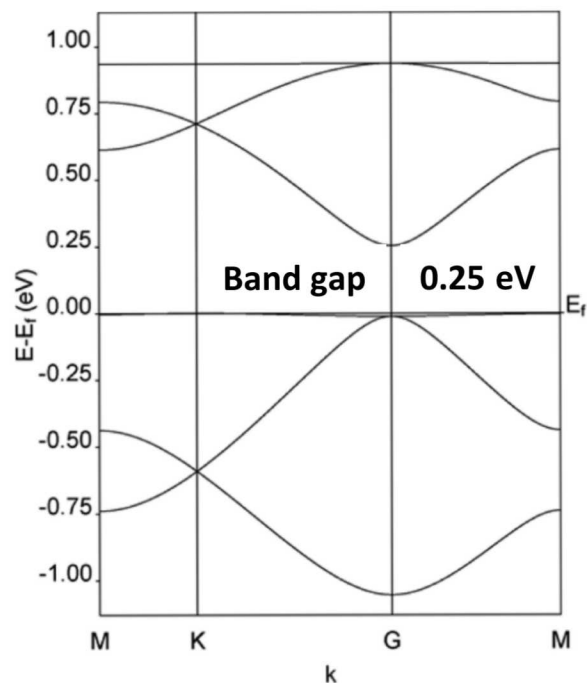


- Experimental evidence suggests that the material is semiconducting.
- Absorption spectrum – optical gap of $\sim 0.25 \text{ eV}$
- Conductivity increases with temperature – charge hopping mechanism

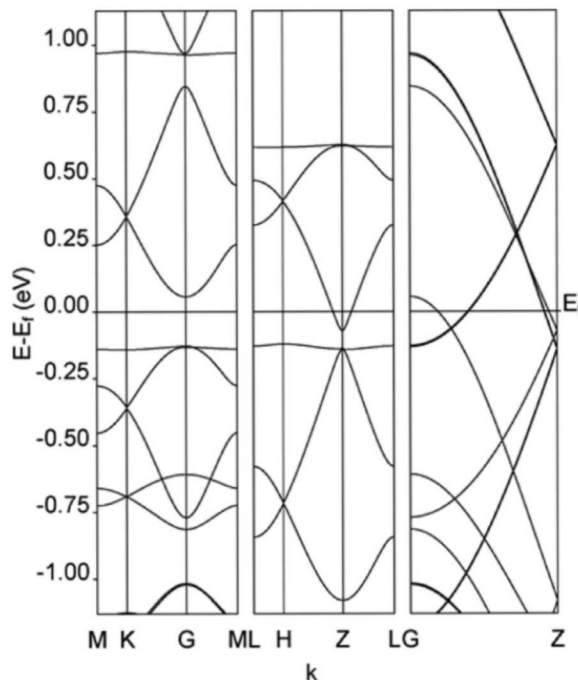


Theory predicts bulk $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ to be metallic;
experiment indicates a narrow bandgap semiconductor

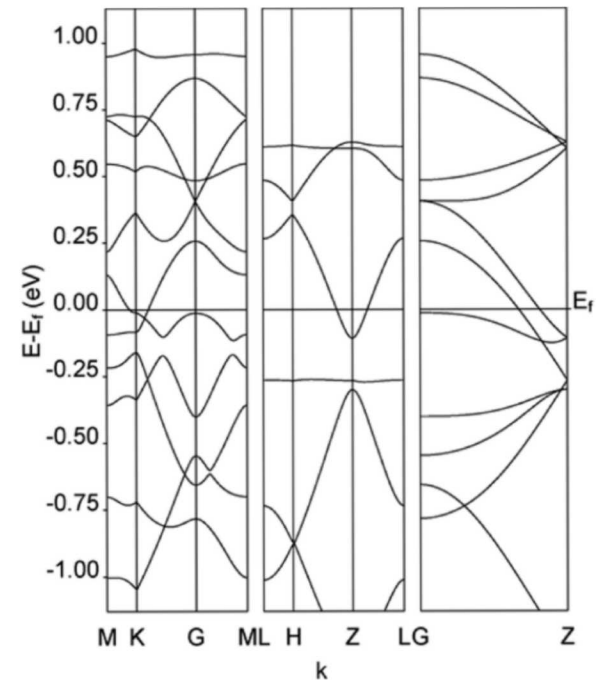
Band structure of $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$



Monolayer

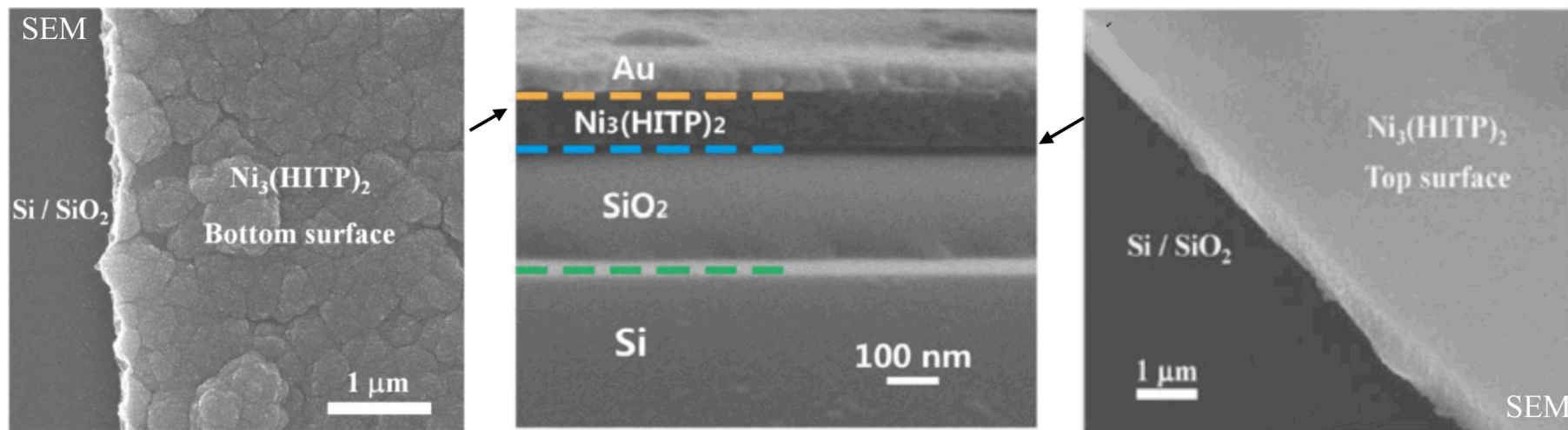


Bulk parallel stacked

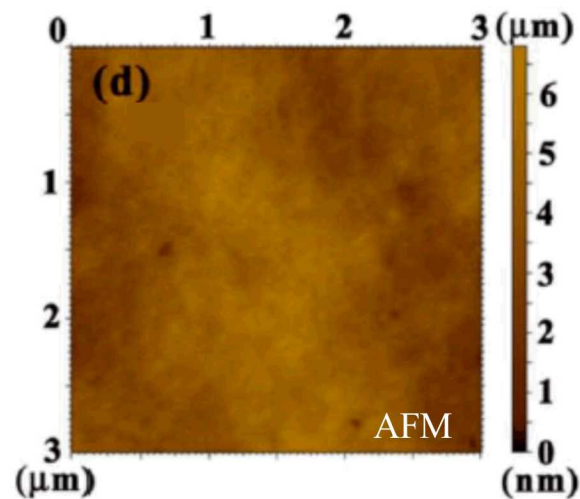


Parallel displaced to
minimum-energy structure

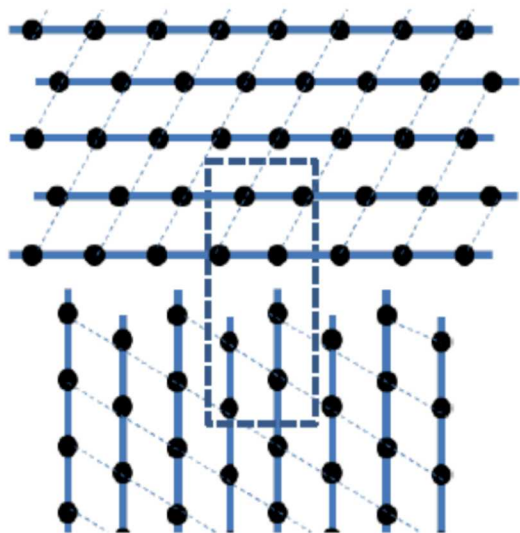
Hypothesis: material performance is governed by defects



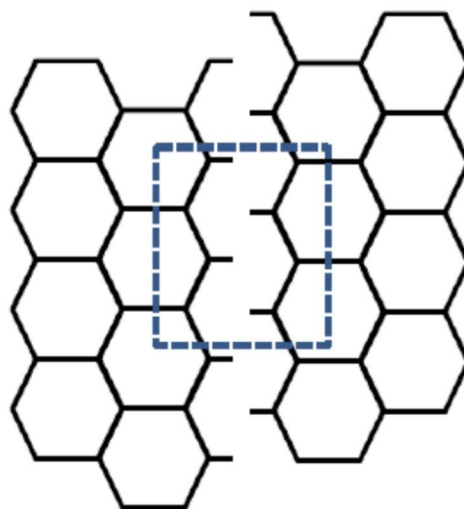
- Pure or low defect material should have much higher conductivity and mobility
- 100 nm thick film is approximately 303 layers
- Avg. Surface Roughness: 1.05 nm (3 layers) to 1.43 nm (4 layers)
- Device channel length 100 μm



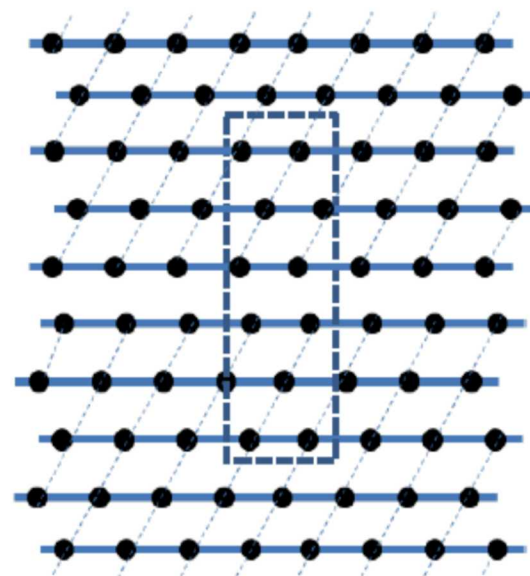
Potential interface defects



**Perpendicular
Grain Boundary**



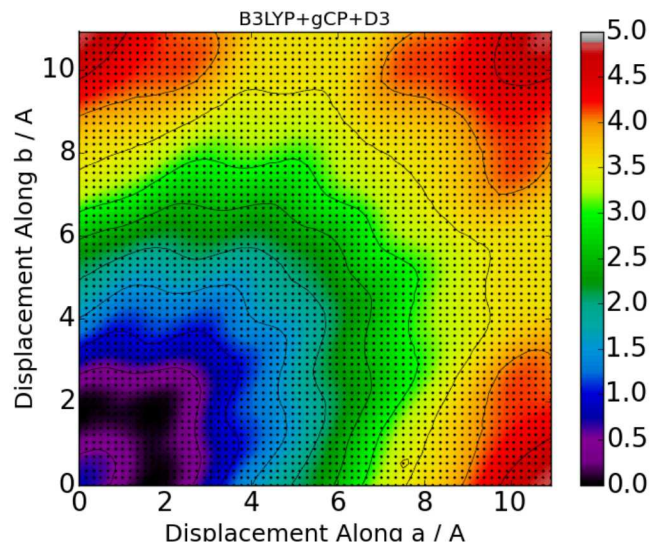
Strike-Slip Fault



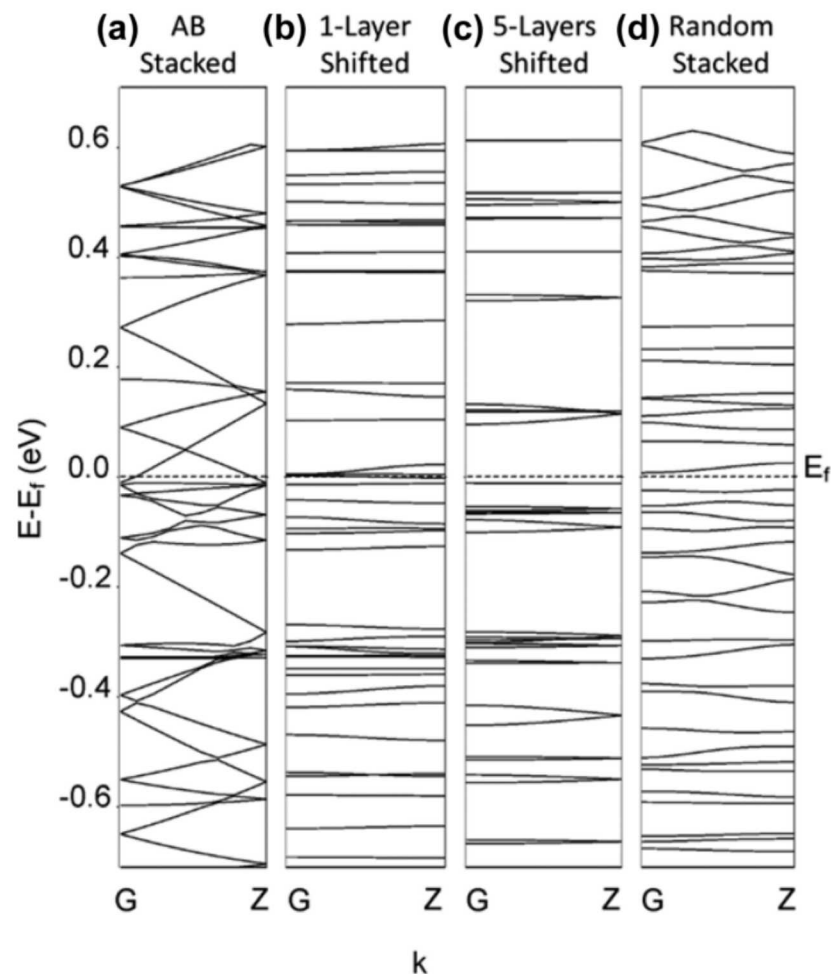
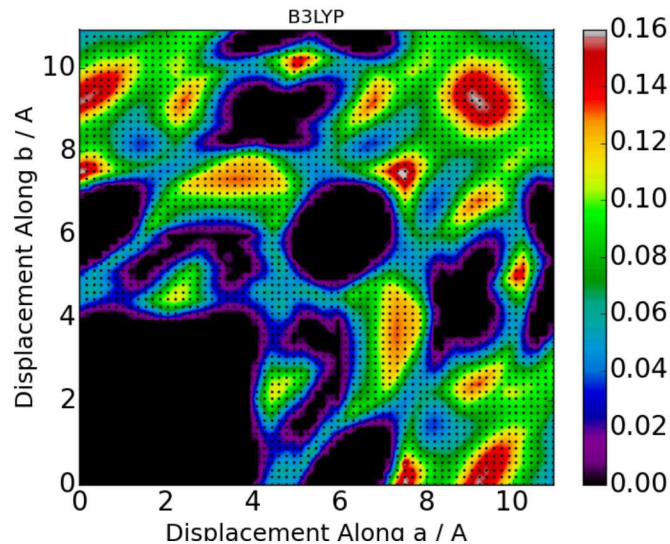
**Layer-Layer
Displacement Defect**

Layer-layer displacement defect can give rise to a bandgap for sufficiently large displacements (typically $> 4 \text{ \AA}$)

Total energy



Band gap



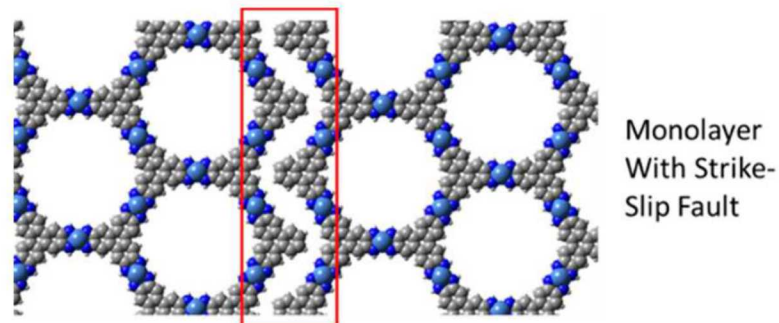
Defects can be interdependent; one type of defect leads to formation of others

- Example: strike-slip fault in one layer forces the presence of a layer-layer displacement in half of the material

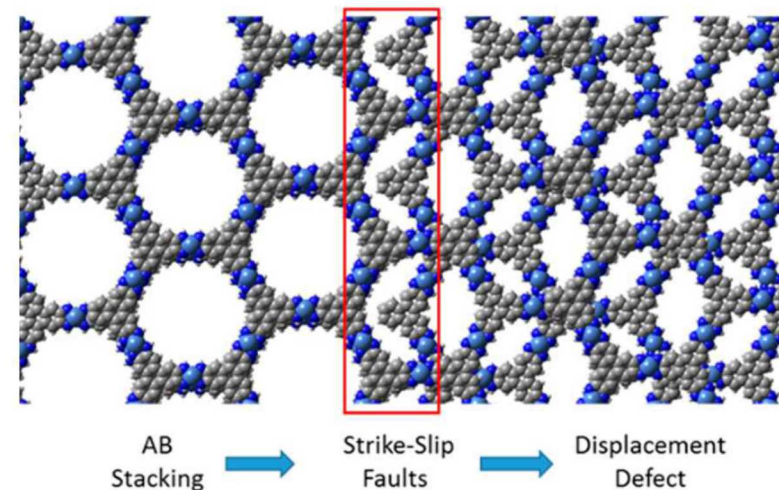
→ A single defect can break the conjugation pathway within the bulk

- Opens a band gap in one direction
- Drastically reduces electron momentum
- Leads to a hopping barrier

Top-down view: **Monolayer** with Strike-Slip Fault



Top-down view: **Bilayer** with Strike-Slip Fault

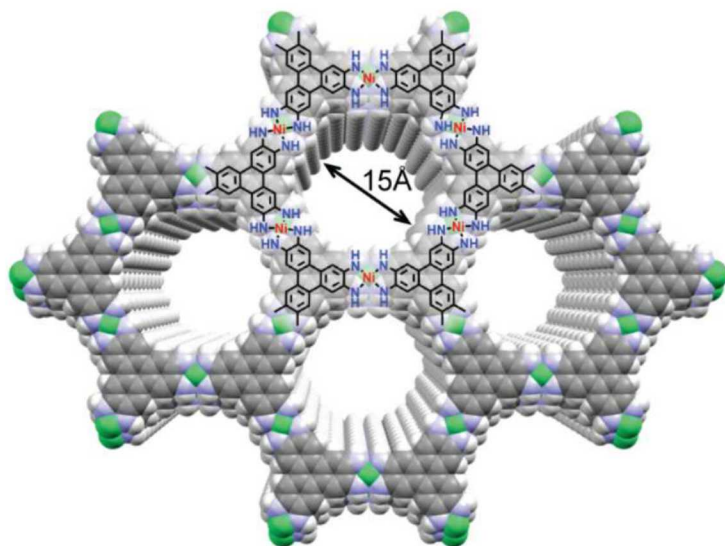


MOF thermoelectric materials: two prototypes



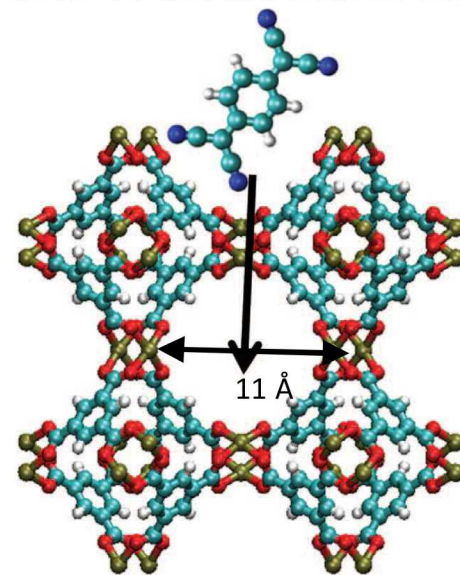
2D “Metal-Organic Graphene Analogue” (MOG)

L. Sun et al. *Joule* 2017



3D Metal-Organic Framework

K. Ericksson et al. *Adv. Mater.* 2015, 27, 3453



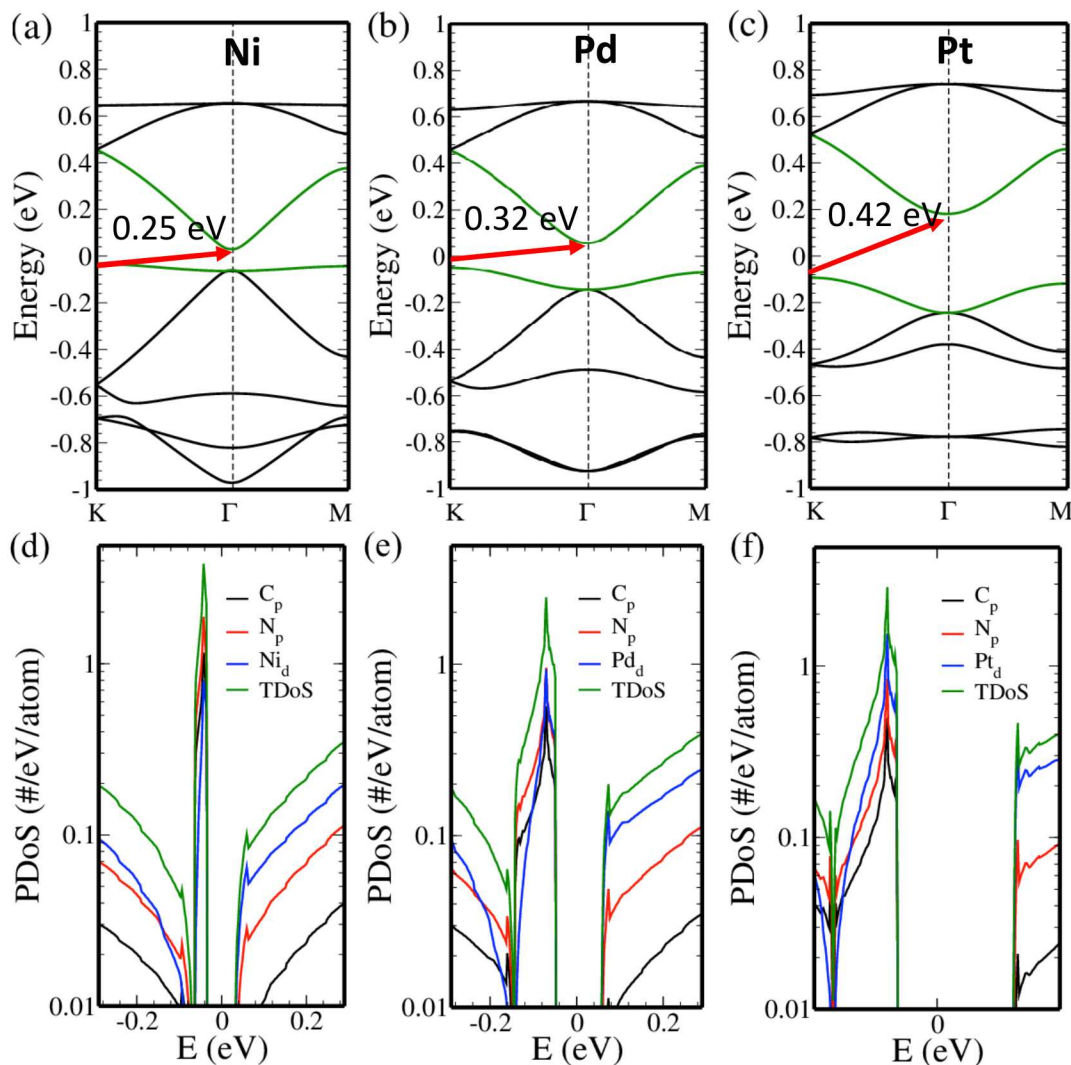
Material	Type	σ (S/cm)	κ (W/m · K)	S ($\mu\text{V/K}$)	PF ($\mu\text{W/m} \cdot \text{K}^2$)	ZT (300K)
$\text{TCNQ@Cu}_3(\text{BTC})_2$ ¹	<i>p</i>	0.0045	0.27	+375	0.057	7.0×10^{-5}
$\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ ²	<i>n</i>	58.8	0.2	-11.9	8.31×10^{-3}	1.19×10^{-3}

Values at 25 °C. ¹ K. J. Erickson et al. *Adv. Mater.* 2015, 27, 3453. ² L. Sun et al. *Joule* 1 (2017), 168.

How can we improve the thermoelectric properties of MOFs?

Tuning $M_3(\text{HITP})_2$ band structure by metal ion substitution

Increasing VB dispersion



Large CB and VB dispersion

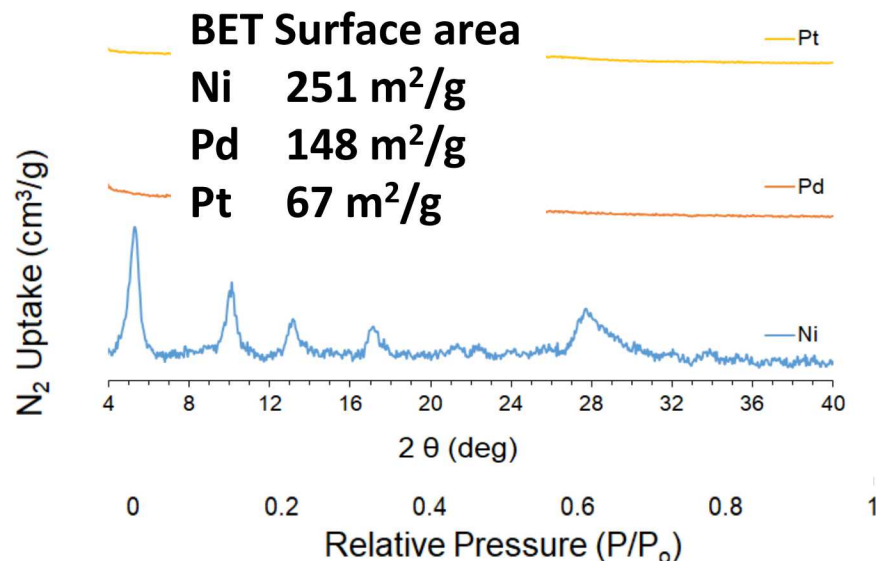
- Both ligand and metals contribute
- Indirect bandgap
 - Small compared to most MOFs
 - Increases Ni → Pd → Pt

Density of states:

- Singularities: characteristic of 2D materials
- Linear behavior on either side of bandgap representative of 3D materials

What is the structure of the Pd and Pt materials

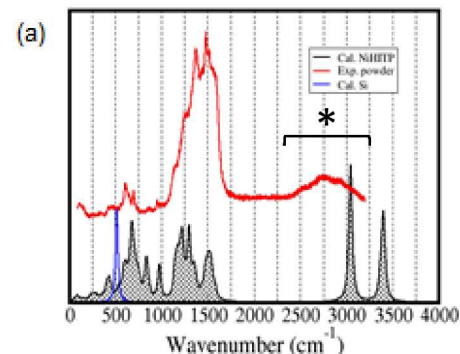
~~All Pt-MOGs lack long-range order~~
Pd and Pt MOGs lack long-range order



L:M ratios from elemental analysis

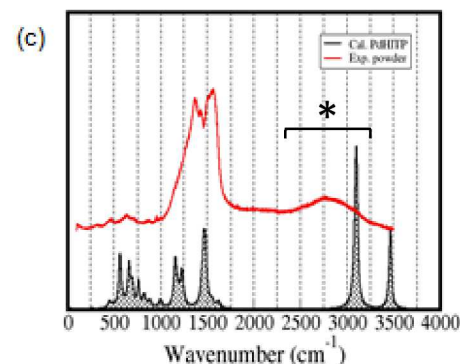
	C basis	N basis
Theoretical (Ni ₃ (HITP) ₂)	0.67	0.67
Pd _x L _y	1.13	1.02
Pt _x L _y	0.73	0.73

Does the Pd version have missing metal ions or different structure?

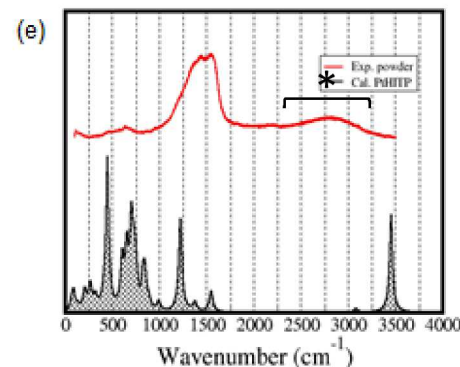


Ni₃(HITP)₂

* Graphene-like

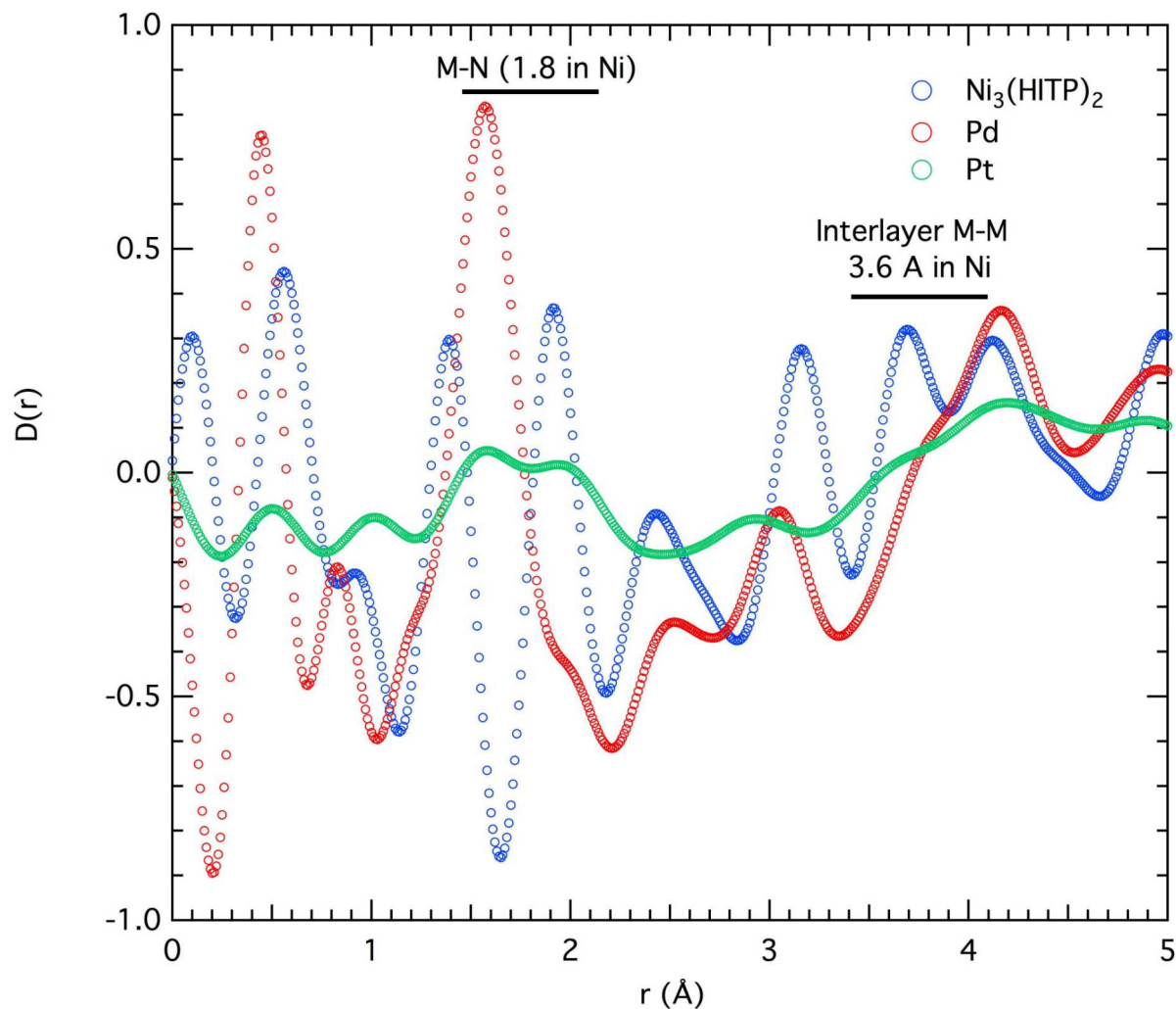


Pd_x(HITP)_y

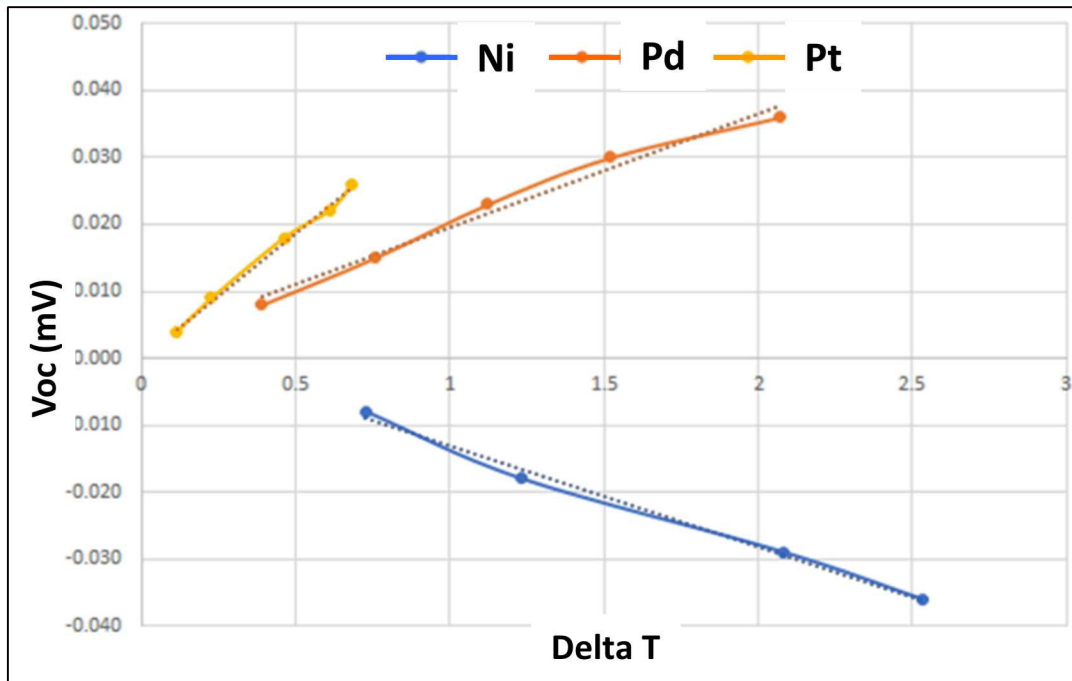


Pt_x(HITP)_y

PDF: evidence of M-M and M-N bonding in all three $M_3(\text{HITP})_2$



Measured thermoelectric data for Ni, Pd, and Pt structures show both p- and n-type are possible



- Ni is n-type
- Pd and Pt are p-type materials
→ consistent with predicted bandgap trend
- σ and S^2 both increase → PF also increases
- Power factor:
Ni < Pd < Pt

Sample	R (Ω)	ρ ($\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$)	σ (S/cm)	S ($\mu\text{V/K}$)	Power Factor ($\mu\text{W/mK}^2$)
Ni	48.2	5.123	0.195	-13.46	3.54×10^{-3}
Pd	43.7	3.835	0.261	+19.63	10.05×10^{-3}
Pt	40.0	3.060	0.327	+37.69	46.42×10^{-3}

Conclusions

- Modifying metal ion and/or linker are effective strategies for tailoring MOF electrical properties
- Control of film thickness could be critical to achieving desired electronic properties
 - MOG “monolayers” (non-interacting multilayers)
- Defects affect MOF charge transport properties
 - Grain boundaries
 - Stacking faults/polymorphs
 - Lattice mismatches
- We need synthetic methods to control and minimize defects
 - Defect formation might be a strategy for tailoring electrical properties

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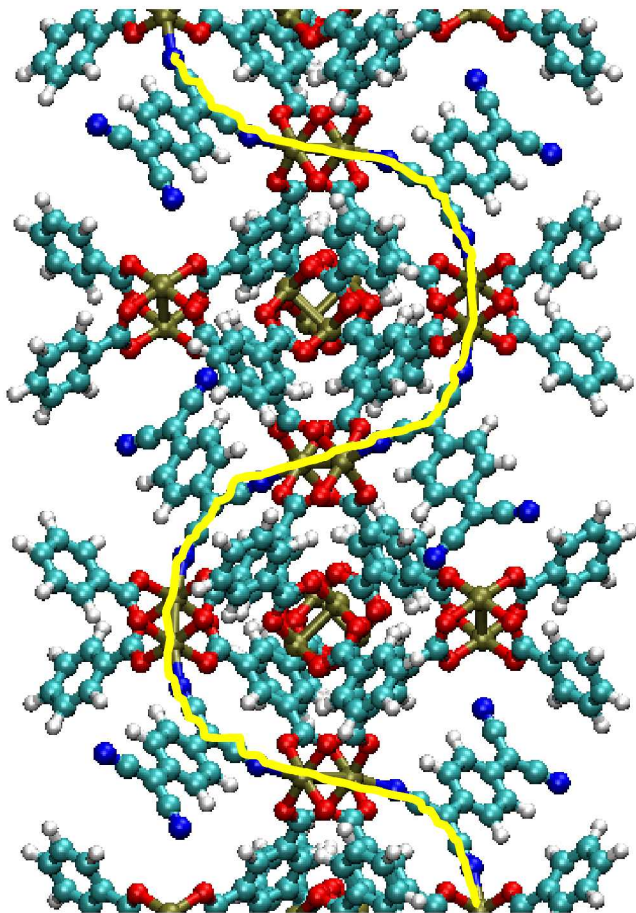
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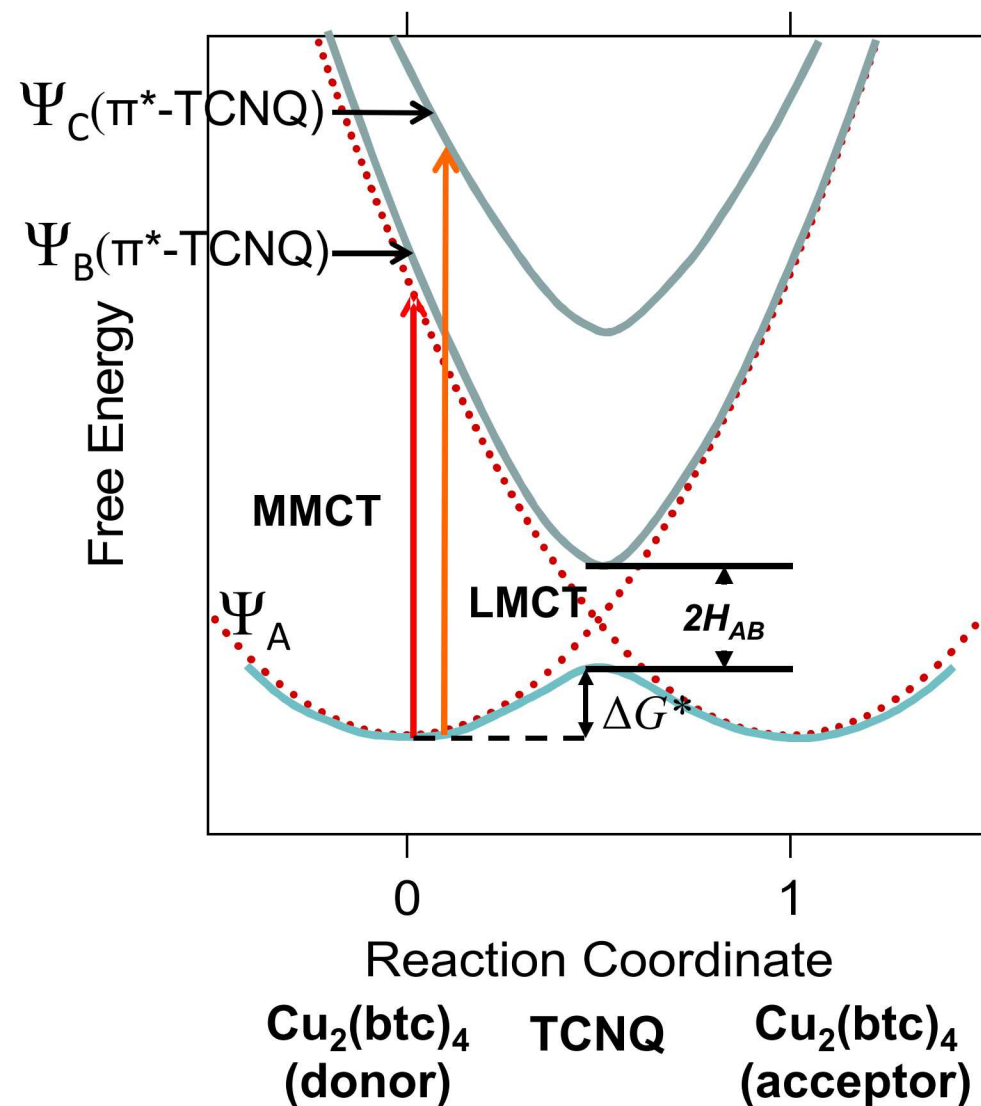
Backup Slides

Alternative role for TCNQ: $\text{Cu}_2(\text{btc})_4$ paddlewheels bridged by TCNQ



- 2 TCNQ will fit in each large pore (16 TCNQ/unit cell)
- Continuous TCNQ- Cu_2 -TCNQ pathway with 1 TCNQ/large pore = 8 TCNQs/unit cell
- Measured loading = 8 TCNQs/unit cell
- IR, Raman, PXRD, UV/Vis, and EPR support this model

TBCNQ couples neighboring Cu dimers → lowers barrier to charge transfer



Three-site model: Donor-Bridge-Acceptor

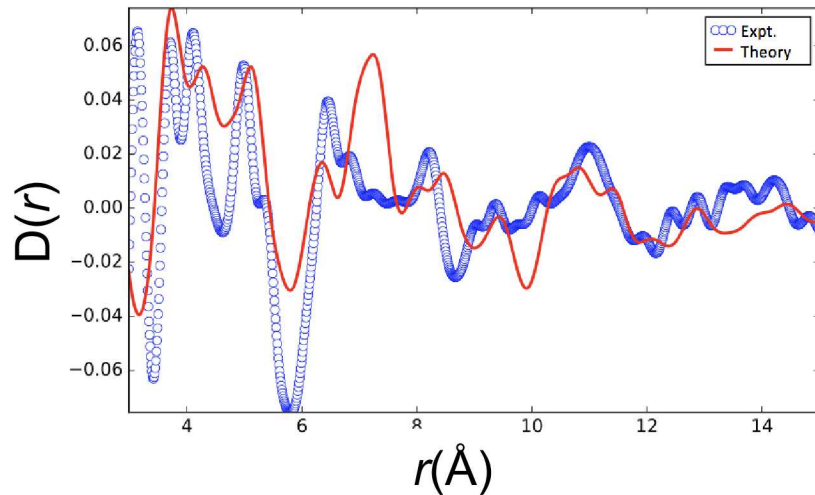
Superexchange mechanism:

H_{AB} -Electronic coupling matrix element

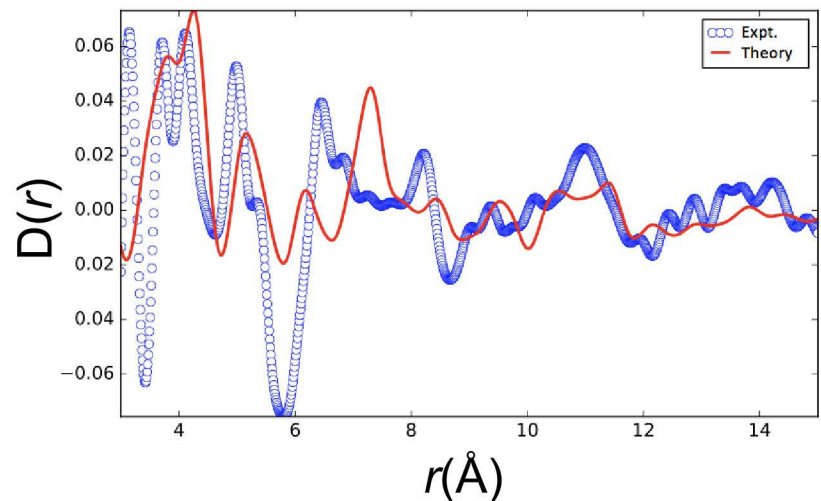
$$H_{AB} = \langle \Psi_A | H | \Psi_B \rangle$$

$$H_{AC} = \langle \Psi_A | H | \Psi_C \rangle$$

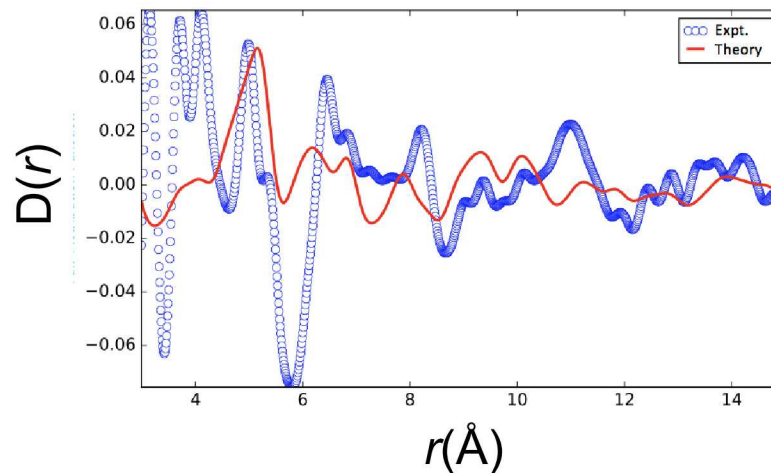
Experimental PDF data for $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ are in best agreement with a 2D structure with offset layers



$\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ slipped-parallel bilayer



$\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ monolayer



$\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ monolayer with widened ligand binding angle

A pillared MOG may provide both charge transport tunability and reduce the effects of defects

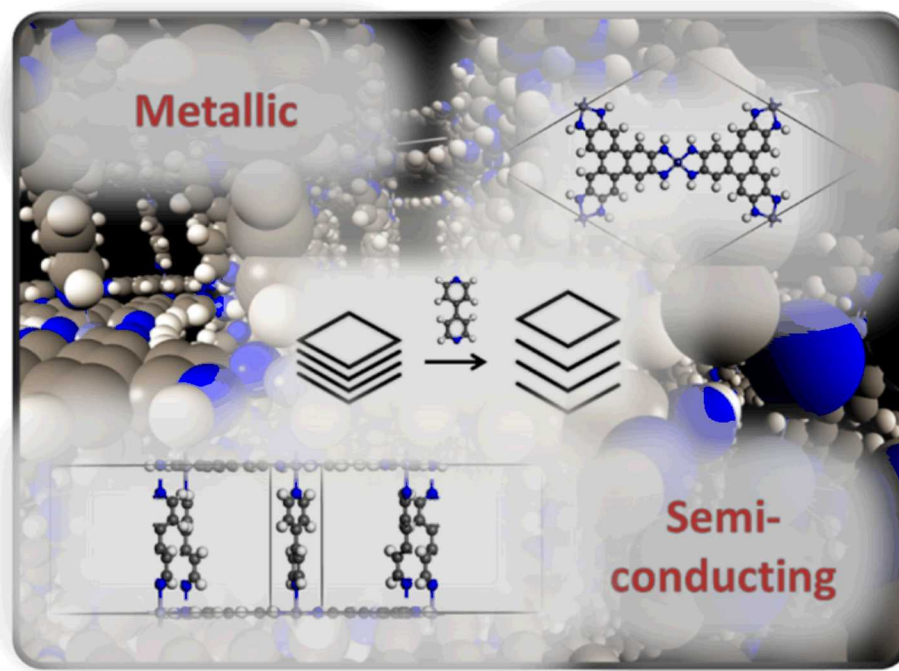
Proposed Modification of the Graphene Analogue $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ To Yield a Semiconducting Material

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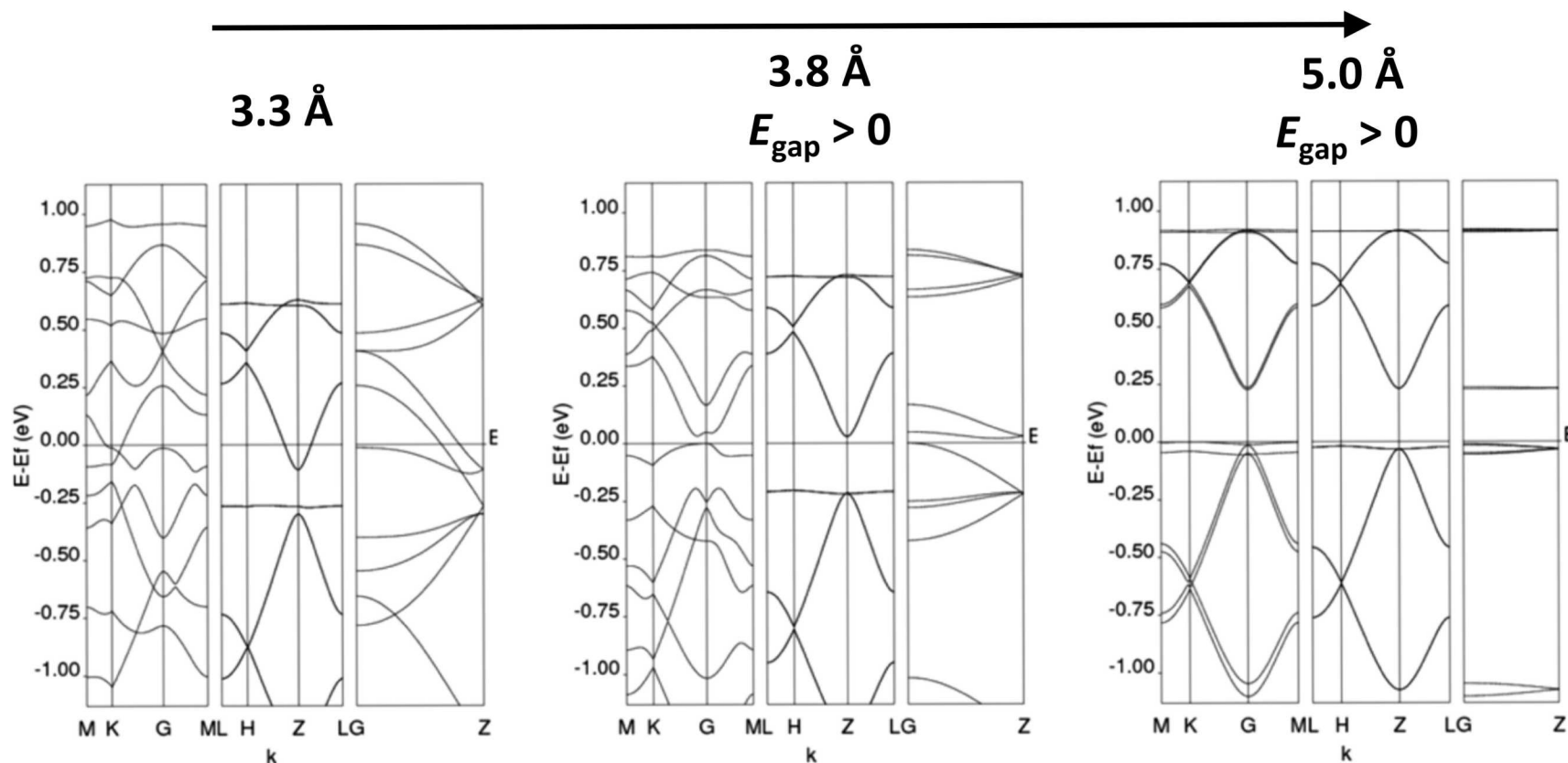
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Modifying the MOG interlayer spacing modifies the band gap

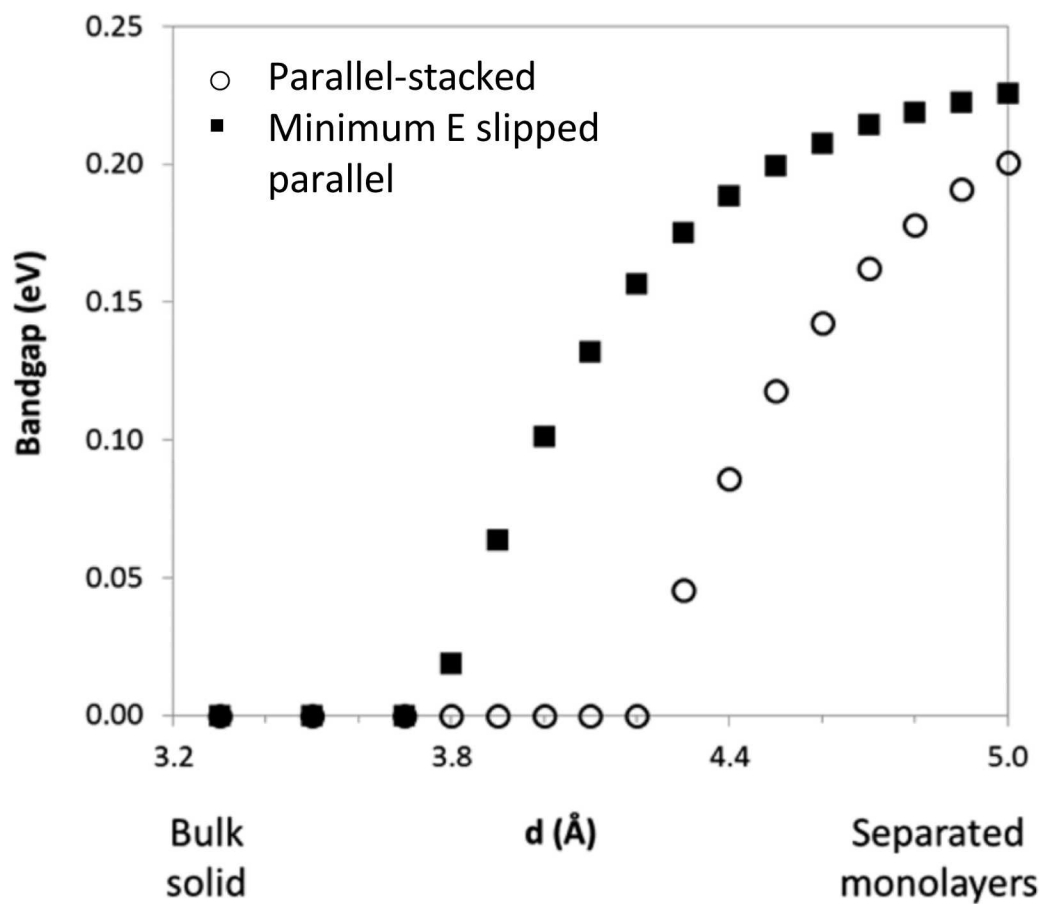
$\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ band structure as a function of interlayer spacing (slipped parallel structure)

Decreasing interlayer interaction

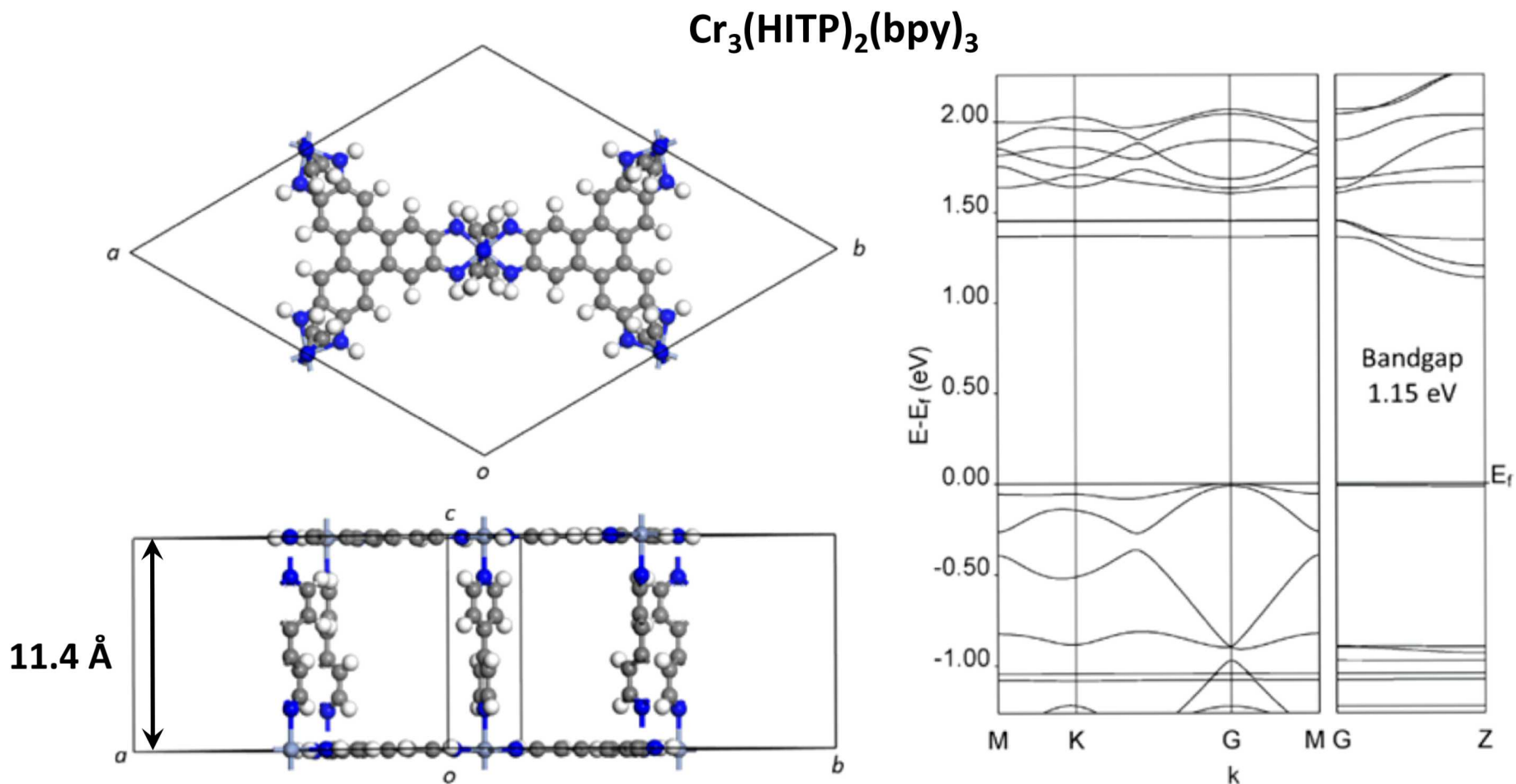


MOG Bandgap can be tuned by varying interlayer spacing

Band gap in $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})$



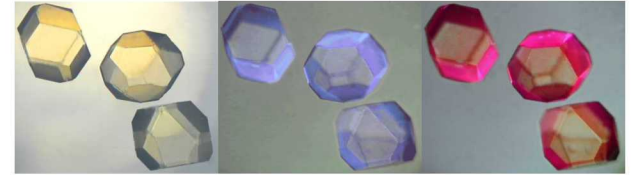
Substituting Cr(II) for Ni(II) and inserting a pillar ligand as a spacer (e.g. bpy) causes a bandgap to form



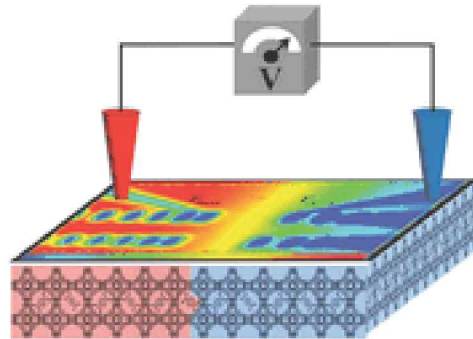
Pillar ligands also rigidify the structure and prevent formation of polymorphs

Presentation topics

- Luminiscent MOFs for solid-state lighting and radiation detection

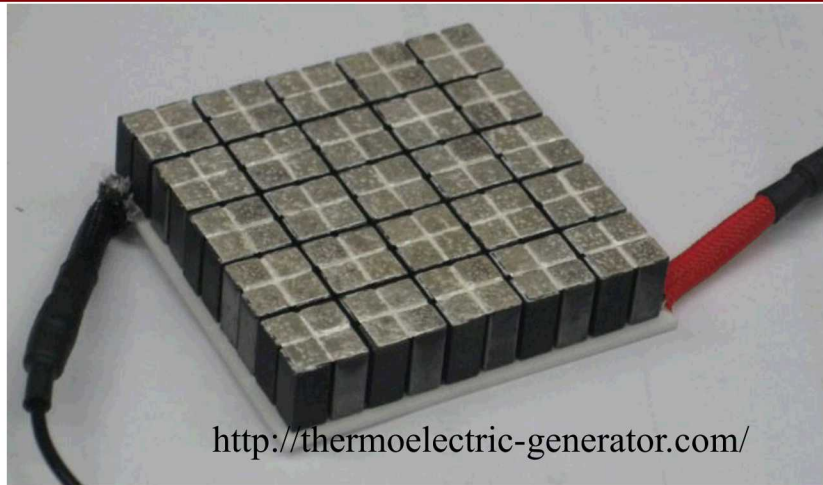


- Conducting MOFs



- Defects and their influence on electrical conductivity

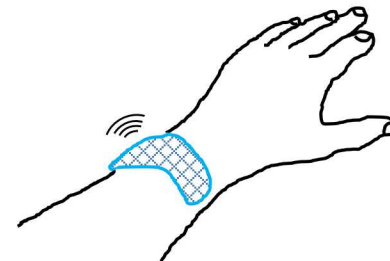
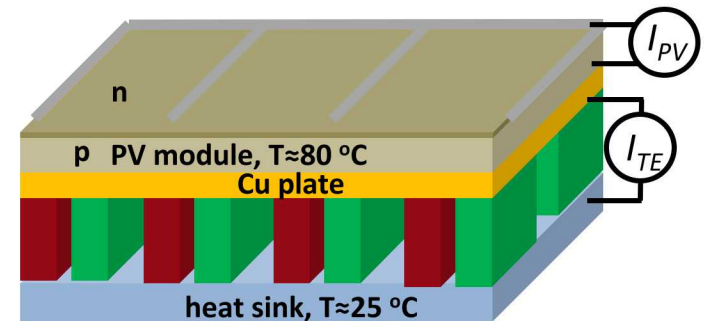
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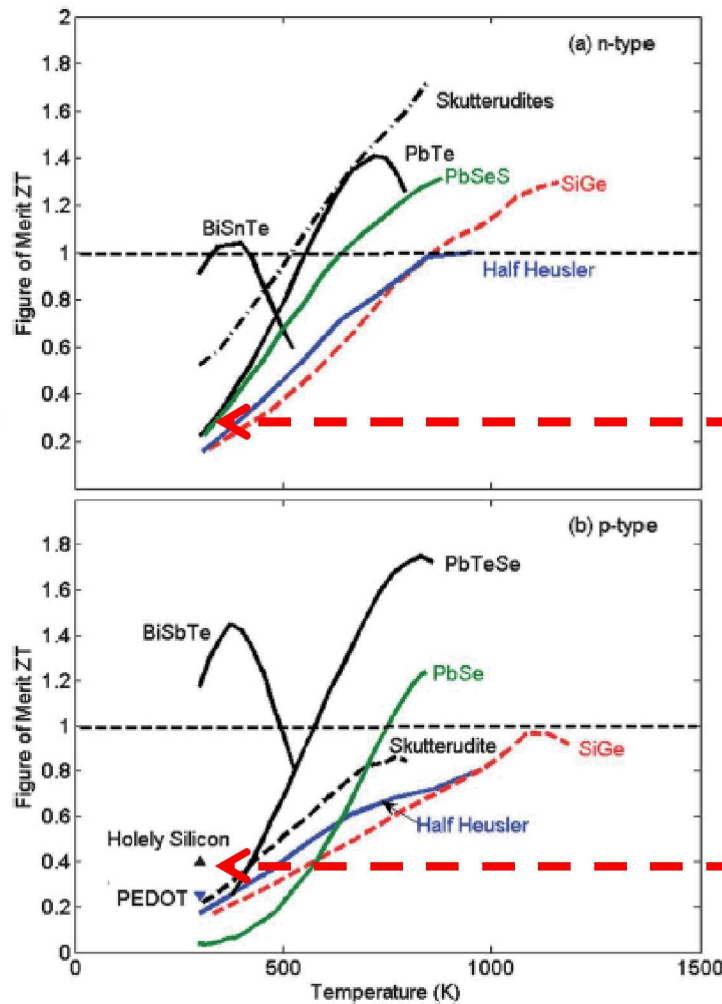


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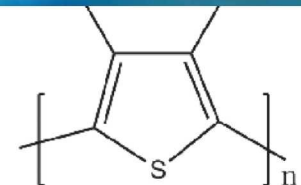
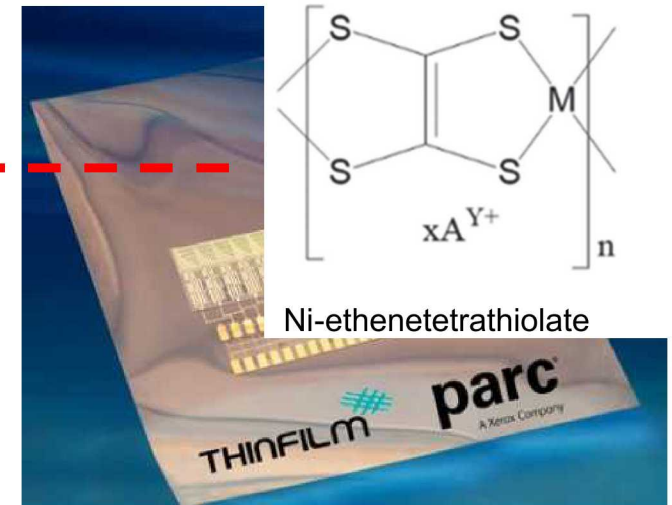


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Polymer TEs could solve these challenges

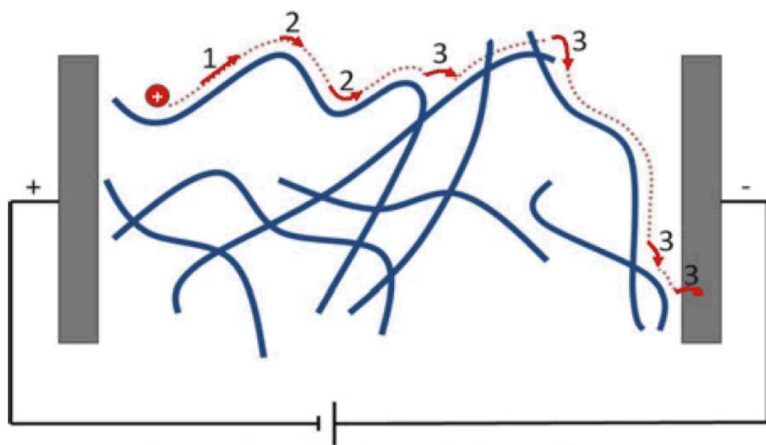


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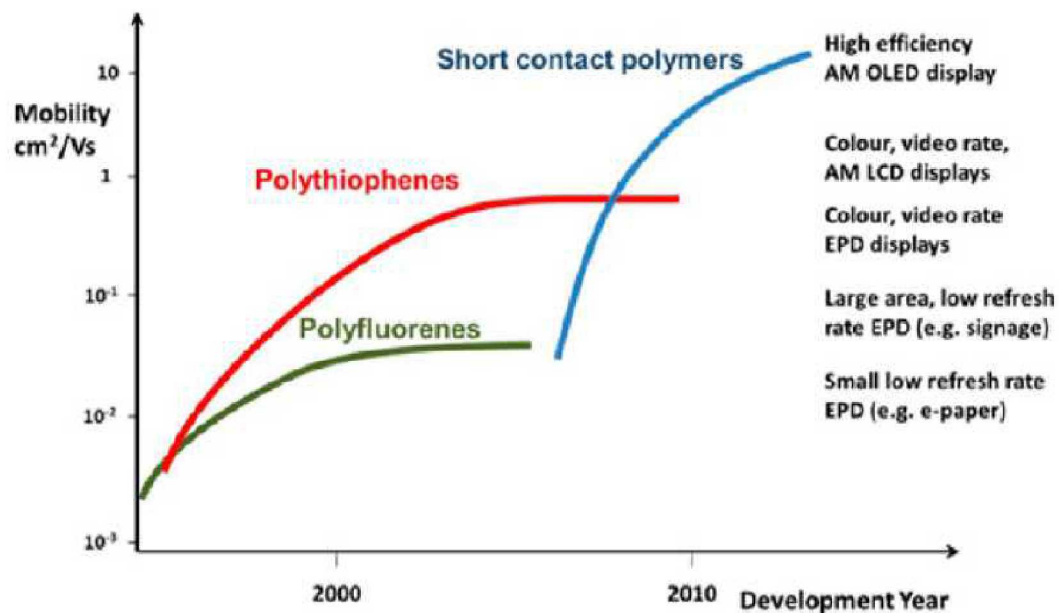
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Disorder limits charge mobility in polymers

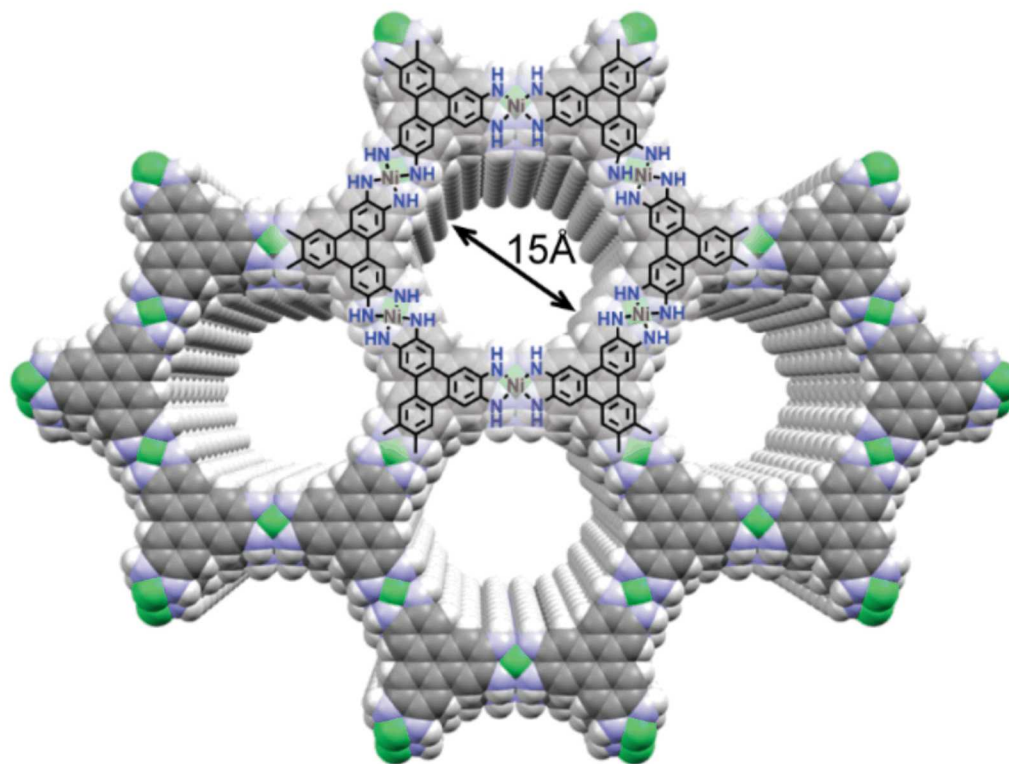
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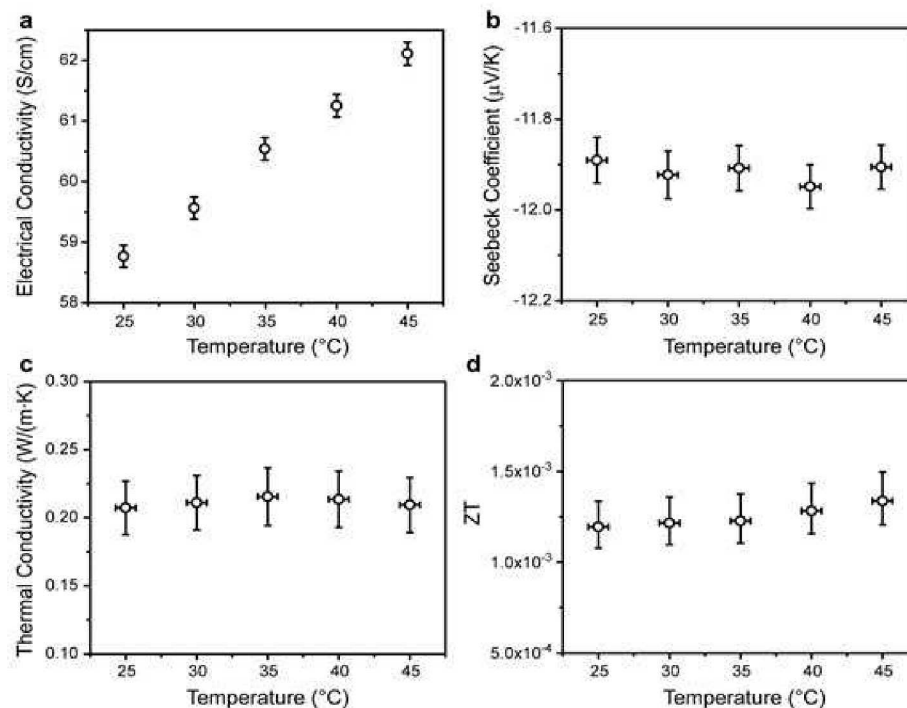
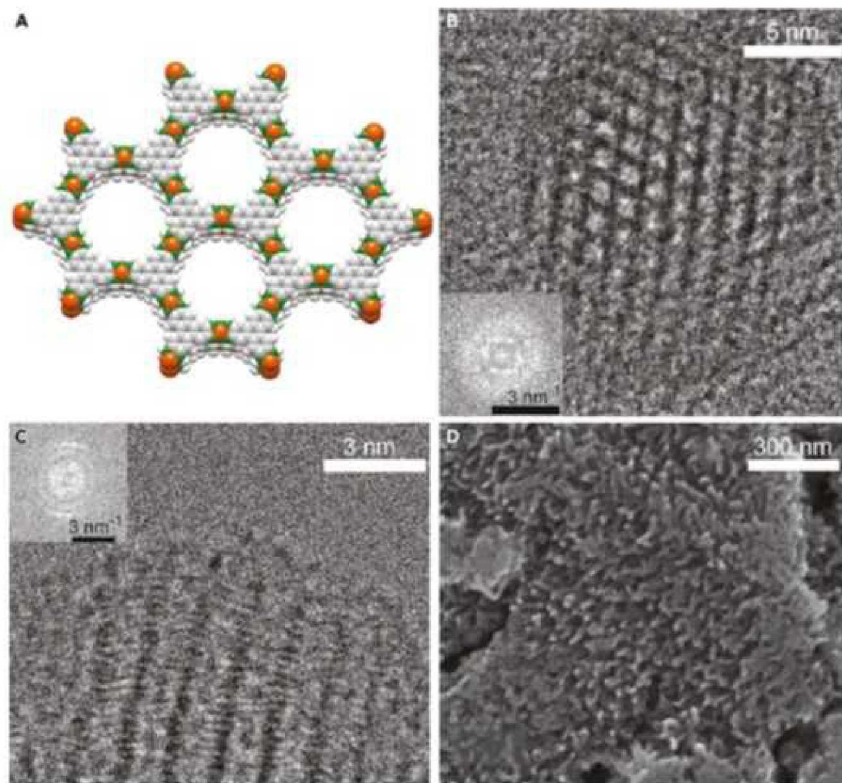
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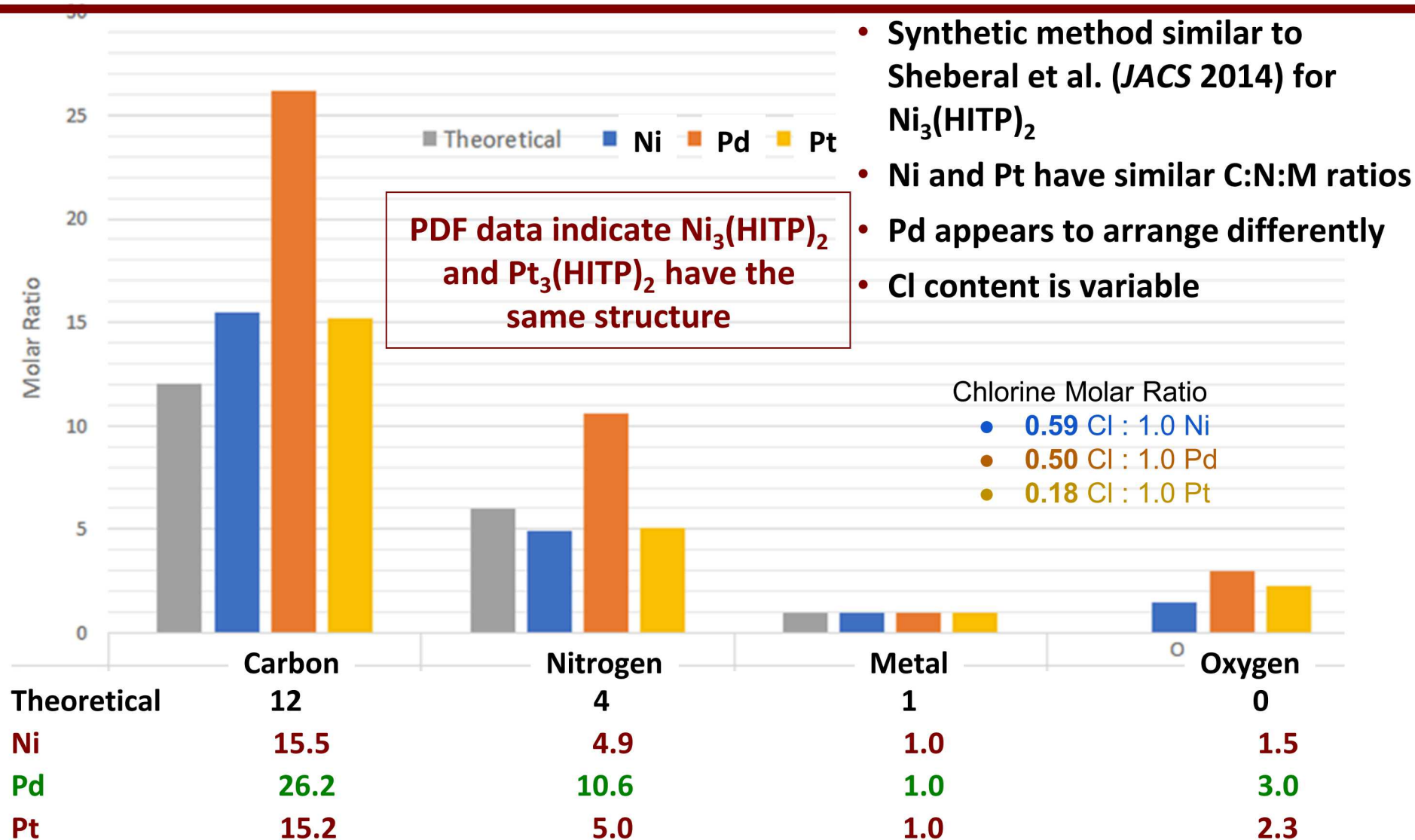
$\text{Ni}_2(\text{HITP})_3$ powder is n-type, low thermal conductivity



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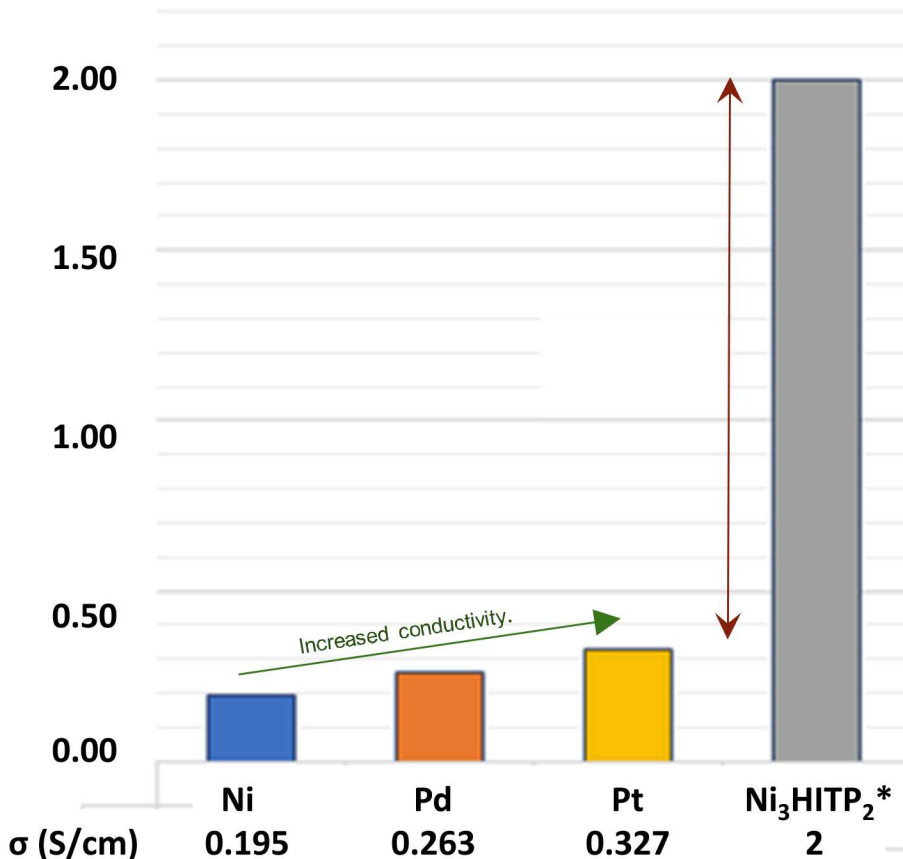
Can we synthesize the Pd and Pt versions to test theoretical predictions?

Synthesis of $\text{Pd}_3(\text{HITP})_2$ and $\text{Pt}_3(\text{HITP})_2$: Elemental analysis (EDX)



Pd and Pt versions are electrically conducting

- Trend qualitatively supports theory
- Larger metal cation increases electrical conductivity
- Conductivity < reported by D. Sheberal et al. for $\text{Ni}_3(\text{HITP})_2$
 - Very thin pellet
 - Electrical contacts sub-optimal



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Porous Field-Effect Transistors Based on a Semiconductive Metal–Organic Framework

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