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### Abstract

For the first time we report the room temperature fabrication of zeolitic imidazolate framework-7 microcrystals in aqueous solution exposure to ammonia atmosphere (derived from concentrated NH<sub>3</sub>). SEM images illustrated the effect of the ammonia atmosphere and synthesis time on the morphology of the product. On the basis of TG and XRD data, the as-made samples showed supreme thermal stability up to 400 °C. Other results revealed the significant chemical stability and microporous structure of the as-synthesized ZIF-7. This method is promising for the efficacious, eco-friendly and large scale production of microporous ZIF-7 at low cost.



Keywords: Microporous ZIF-7, Aqueous media, Ammonia atmosphere, Microcrystals

#### 1. Introduction

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