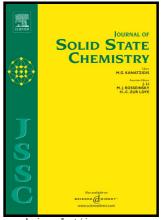
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Abstract

Capture of acid gases (CO₂ and H₂S) by liquid solvent absorption is the common industrial practice, yet capture relying on solid adsorbents is increasingly gaining interest as potential alternative towards less energy-demanding operations. Herein, we developed and examined various metal organic frameworks (MOFs) bearing Cu- and Zr- metal clusters and their composites with graphene oxide (GO), and evaluated their performance for CO₂ and H₂S adsorption. Specifically, UiO-66, UiO-66-NH₂, HKUST-1, and their GO composites were grown, subjected to structural, morphological, and textural characterization, and subsequently evaluated for their adsorption capacity and selectivity at ambient temperature. The crystallinity of the parent MOFs was preserved upon *in-situ* growth of the MOF/GO composites, while incorporation of GO yielded uniformly-shaped and well-dispersed MOF crystals resulting in enhanced sorption kinetics, and increased the pore volume compared to

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