

Single-Ion Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺ Solid Electrolytes Supported by a Mesoporous Anionic Cu–Azolate Metal–Organic Framework

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: A novel Cu(II)–azolate metal–organic framework (MOF) with tubular pores undergoes a reversible single crystal to single crystal transition between neutral and anionic phases upon reaction with stoichiometric amounts of halide or pseudohalide salts. The stoichiometric transformation between the two phases allows loading of record amounts of charge-balancing Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺ ions for MOFs. Whereas the halide/pseudohalide anions are bound to the metal centers and thus stationary, the cations move freely within the one-dimensional pores, giving rise to single-ion solid electrolytes. The respective Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺-loaded materials exhibit high ionic conductivity values of 4.4×10^{-5} , 1.8×10^{-5} , and 8.8×10^{-7} S/cm. With addition of LiBF₄, the Li⁺ conductivity improves to 4.8×10^{-4} S/cm. These are the highest values yet observed for MOF solid electrolytes.

Safety concerns, lack of mechanical robustness, and processing difficulties drive current research on novel solid electrolytes.^{1,2} An attractive approach to developing such electrolytes is the concept of “single-ion” conduction.³ In liquid electrolytes, both anions and cations are mobile, although only the latter require mobility for a functioning battery. The anions need not be mobile, yet their mobility leads to polarization effects, which decrease the operating voltage of the cell. Accumulation of anions at the anode also eventually leads to decomposition of the liquid electrolyte, one of the primary culprits for declining battery performance over time. In single-ion solid conductors, the anions are fixed to the underlying matrix. This prevents anion movement and accumulation and eliminates the polarization effects present in liquid electrolytes.^{3,4} Although most recent research on single ion conductors has been in the context of Li-ion batteries, Na- and Mg-ion batteries are expected to benefit from the development of single-ion Na⁺ and Mg²⁺ conductors as well. Here, we show that a new Cu(II)–azolate metal–organic framework (MOF) that allows stoichiometric binding of anions functions as a good conductor for Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺ ions. The respective ionic conductivities are the highest for this class of materials in the absence of additional anion mobility.

MOFs are excellent platforms for exploring single-ion conductors. They are electrical insulators, are compatible with a wide range of mobile cations, are tunable, and present regular pore networks that allow, in principle, for swift ion movement. The potential impact of these materials as solid electrolytes has

been confirmed by numerous examples of high proton conductivity,⁵ but reports of Li⁺, Na⁺, or Mg²⁺ ion conductors are decidedly more rare.^{6–9}

Despite difficulties, several strategies have proven successful in introducing free Li⁺, Na⁺, or Mg²⁺ ions in MOFs. For instance, open metal sites in MOFs may be used to immobilize anions, leaving free, charge-balancing cations in the pores.⁷ Although successful in the preparation of the first Li⁺ and Mg²⁺ MOF-based solid electrolytes from Mg₂(2,5-dihydroxyterephthalate) (Mg-MOF-74), there is limited driving force for binding anions to metal sites in neutral compounds. The maximal Li⁺ and Mg²⁺ loading using this strategy was 1.26 and 2.51 wt %, respectively, not counting cation content pertaining to free electrolyte. An alternative strategy is the postsynthetic functionalization of inorganic secondary building units (SBUs), such as dehydrating and grafting of LiO^tBu in Zr₆O₄(OH)₄(terephthalate)₆ (UiO-66).⁸ A third approach is the aliovalent substitution of trivalent ions in a MOF SBU by a combination of divalent and monovalent ions, the former replacing the trivalent ion structurally, with the latter remaining mobile.⁹ Grafting and substitution are both substoichiometric, and have led to maximal mobile Li⁺ loadings of 1.06 and 0.08 wt %, respectively, and mobile Na⁺ loadings of 0.26 wt %. Our strategy herein allows for Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺ loadings that exceed previous reports, providing a potential blueprint for optimizing ion carrier density in MOF solid electrolytes.

Solvothermal reaction between bis(1H-1,2,3-triazolo[4,5-*b*], [4',5'-*i*])dibenzo-[1,4]dioxin (H₂BTDD) and CuCl₂·2H₂O in an acidic mixture of *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) and isopropyl alcohol at 65 °C yields emerald-green crystals of ((CH₃)₂NH₂)[Cu₂Cl₃BTDD]·(DMF)₄(H₂O)_{4.5} (MIT-20). X-ray diffraction analysis of MIT-20 revealed a structure consisting of infinite linearly bridged Cu SBUs with a single crystallographically unique Cu atom. Each Cu²⁺ ion displays a square pyramidal geometry and is coordinated by three independent triazolate ligands, disposed equatorially, and two chlorides, one terminal equatorial, the other bridging to a neighboring Cu atom (Figure 1). Alternate pairs of Cu atoms are connected either by two BTDD²⁻ ligands, or by two BTDD²⁻ ligands and a μ₂-Cl. The infinite Cu SBUs are connected by BTDD²⁻ linkers and line one-dimensional hexagonal channels with a crystallographic diameter of ~22 Å. The structure of MIT-20 is similar to BTDD-based MOFs reported with Mn, Co, and Ni,¹⁰ and is topologically identical

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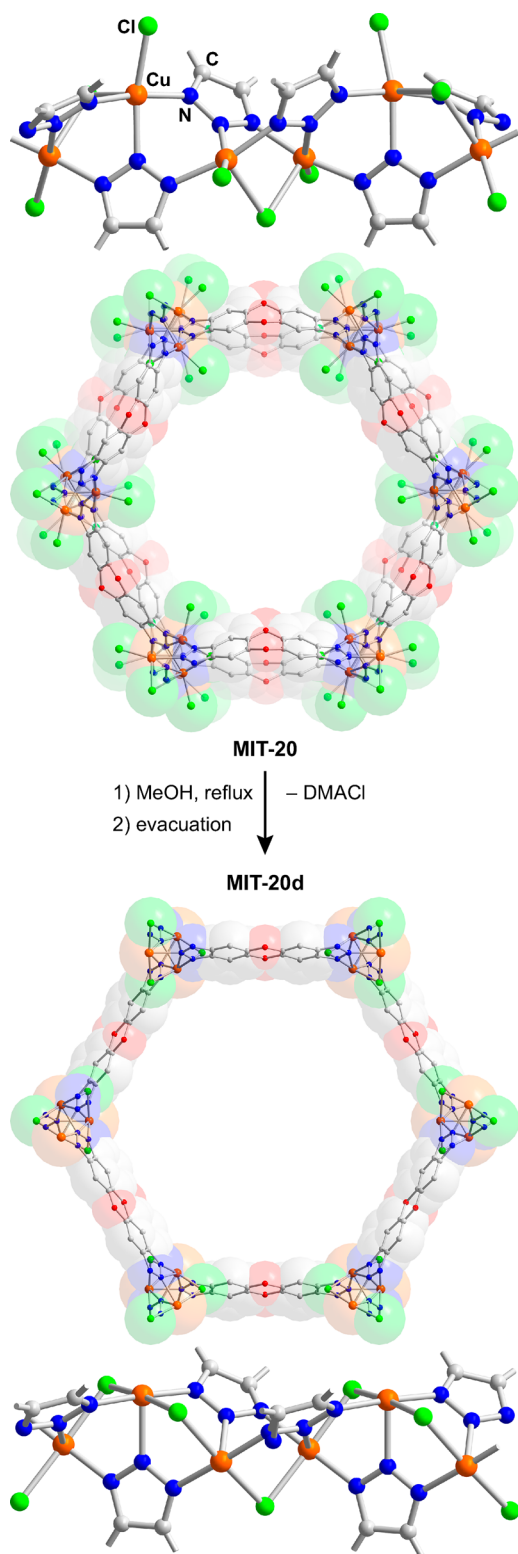


Figure 1. X-ray crystal structures of MIT-20 and MIT-20d, formed from the former by loss of DMAcL. The structures of MIT-20-X (X = LiCl, LiBr, Na, Mg), are analogous to MIT-20. H atoms are omitted for clarity.

to the MOF-74 series, but differs from these in one critical aspect: whereas the latter are neutral, MIT-20 is formally anionic, with the charge balance provided by free dimethylammonium (DMA) cations (Figure S1).

The free DMA suggested that MIT-20 could function as a host for various cationic species, including Li^+ , Na^+ , or Mg^{2+} , and thus provide a platform for developing solid electrolytes in the presence of appropriate solvents. To test this hypothesis, we subjected MIT-20 to a Soxhlet extraction with hot methanol to remove residual DMF. During this treatment, the initially emerald green crystals gradually turned greenish-yellow (Figure S2), but retained their single-crystal nature. To our surprise, X-ray analysis of one of these resulting crystals revealed that methanol treatment removes one full equivalent of DMAcL from MIT-20 to provide an overall neutral framework where all remaining halides are bridging (Figure 1). Cu atoms in this neutral phase are octahedral, with a methanol molecule completing the coordination sphere along with three *mer*-oriented triazolates and two *trans*-oriented μ_2 -chlorides (Figure S3). Heating a single crystal of the greenish-yellow neutral phase to 100 °C led to a color change to dark red (Figure S2). Single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis revealed that this color change is associated with the loss of the methanol molecule and formation of $\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{BTDD}$ (MIT-20d). MIT-20d exhibits square pyramidal Cu centers with *mer*-oriented triazolate linkers and *trans*- μ_2 -chlorides and is identical to those of $\text{M}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{BTDD}$ (M = Mn, Co, Ni) (Figure 1).¹⁰

N_2 adsorption analysis for MIT-20d at 77 K revealed a type IV isotherm, indicative of mesoporosity, with a total uptake of $\sim 750 \text{ cm}^3/\text{g}$ (Figure S5). Fits to this isotherm gave a Brunauer–Emmett–Teller (BET) apparent surface area of $2066 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ and a pore size distribution peaking at 22.5 \AA (Figure S6), in line with the value expected from crystallography (ca. 23 \AA) and with the values reported for other $\text{M}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{BTDD}$ materials.¹⁰

The preferential formation of anionic MIT-20 under solvothermal conditions suggests that Cu^{2+} is unique among late first row transition metals in thermodynamically favoring the anionic phase over the neutral one under high chloride concentration. As such, we surmised that treatment of neutral MIT-20d with metal halides would quantitatively yield anionic phases with a large content of free metal cations residing in the pores. Indeed, treatment of MIT-20d with one equivalent of LiCl in dry tetrahydrofuran (THF) afforded a green microcrystalline powder exhibiting a PXRD pattern identical to that of MIT-20 (Figure S7). Exchange of residual THF with propylene carbonate (PC), a less volatile solvent with a higher dielectric constant that promotes Li-ion conductivity yielded $\text{Li}[\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_3\text{BTDD}] \cdot 10(\text{PC})$ (MIT-20-LiCl) as a free-flowing powder. Inductively coupled plasma mass-spectrometry (ICP-MS) analysis of MIT-20-LiCl confirmed a Li:Cu ratio of 1:2. This ratio did not increase even when MIT-20d was treated with excess LiCl, suggesting that the Li content in MIT-20-LiCl, 1.38 wt %, is maximized. Importantly, ICP-MS confirmed that extensive washing and soaking for 7 days with dry THF at room temperature did not reduce the Li content of MIT-20-LiCl, thus attesting the strong binding of Cl^- to Cu^{2+} ions in this material.

The isolation of free cations in the pores of MIT-20 by reacting neutral MIT-20d with metal halides is not limited to Li^+ . Although NaCl and MgCl_2 are nearly insoluble in THF, we were able to access Na^+ - and Mg^{2+} -substituted analogs of MIT-20 by reacting MIT-20d with one equivalent of NaSCN or MgBr_2 . Upon exchange of residual THF with PC, this led to quantitative formation of $\text{Na}[\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{SCN})\text{BTDD}] \cdot 9(\text{PC})$ (MIT-20-Na) and $\text{Mg}_{0.5}[\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{BrBTDD}] \cdot 8(\text{PC})$ (MIT-20-Mg), respectively, which exhibit record contents of mobile Na^+

and Mg^{2+} ions of 4.23 and 3.76 wt %, respectively. In all cases, structural retention was verified by PXRD analysis (Figure S7) and the precise content of PC, quantified by ^1H NMR of solutions obtained by digesting the respective MOFs (Figure S8), were in line with those observed by TGA (Figure S9). Infrared spectroscopy of MIT-20-Na showed a C–N stretching mode at 2099 cm^{-1} , indicative of metal-bound SCN^- , and no residual peaks from free SCN^- ($\nu_{\text{CN}} = 2074\text{ cm}^{-1}$) (Figure S10).¹¹ This provided additional evidence that all SCN^- anions in MIT-20-Na are immobile.

Ionic conductivity measurements for MIT-20-X (X = LiCl, Na, Mg) were performed on powder pellets using alternating current (ac) impedance spectroscopy. Pellets were sandwiched between two stainless steel electrodes under dry N_2 in an airtight cell. Under these conditions, the Nyquist plots obtained for MIT-20-X, shown in Figure 2, exhibit a semicircle at high

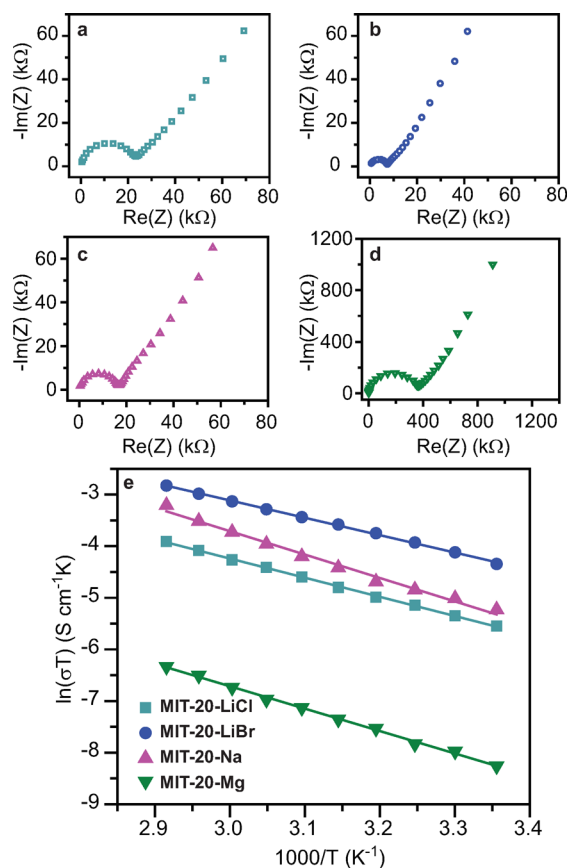


Figure 2. Nyquist plots for (a) MIT-20-LiCl, (b) MIT-20-LiBr, (c) MIT-20-Na, and (d) MIT-20-Mg. (e) Ionic conductivities as a function of temperature in the range of 25 to 70 °C.

frequency and a linear tail at low frequency. The latter is commonly attributed to blocking effects at the electrode and is typical for ionic conductors.^{7–9} These plots revealed similar Li^+ and Na^+ conductivity values of $1.3 \times 10^{-5}\text{ S/cm}$ and $1.8 \times 10^{-5}\text{ S/cm}$ for MIT-20-LiCl and MIT-20-Na, respectively, at 25 °C (Table 1). The value for Li^+ is of the same magnitude as those of $\text{Mg}_2(\text{dobdc})\cdot 0.06\text{LiO}^i\text{Pr}$ ($\sigma = 1.2 \times 10^{-5}\text{ S/cm}$)^{7a} and LiO^iBu -grafted $\text{UiO}-66$ ($\sigma = 1.8 \times 10^{-5}\text{ S/cm}$),⁸ whereas the conductivity of Na^+ is considerably higher than that of $\text{Mn}@\text{EHU1}(\text{Sc},\text{Na})$ ($\sigma = 2.0 \times 10^{-6}\text{ S/cm}$).⁹ The Mg^{2+} ion conductivity in MIT-20-Mg was lower, $8.8 \times 10^{-7}\text{ S/cm}$, as expected for the transport of divalent ions carrying a higher

Table 1. Ionic Conductivity and Activation Energies for MIT-20-X (X = LiCl, LiBr, LiBF₄, Na, Mg)

compound	mobile ion	guest per mole MOF	σ (S/cm)	E_a (eV)	PC per mole of MOF
MIT-20-LiCl	Li^+	1.0	1.3×10^{-5}	0.32	10.3
MIT-20-LiBr	Li^+	0.8	4.4×10^{-5}	0.29	10.3
MIT-20-LiBF ₄	Li^+	1.2	4.8×10^{-4}	0.16	8.7
MIT-20-Na	Na^+	1.0	1.8×10^{-5}	0.39	9.3
MIT-20-Mg	Mg^{2+}	0.5	8.8×10^{-7}	0.37	8.2

charge density through the otherwise conserved electric field environment of MIT-20. To exclude the contribution of electronic conduction, we measured current–voltage curves for $\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{BTDD}(\text{DMF})_2$ (Figure S11), which confirmed an electrically insulating behavior, with a conductivity of only 10^{-14} S/cm in N_2 atmosphere at 25 °C (Figure S12).

To determine the portion of current carried by lithium ions in MIT-20-LiCl, we conducted lithium transference number measurements using a potentiostatic polarization method.¹² The transference number was $t_{\text{Li}^+} = 0.66$ (± 0.031), with certain devices reaching numbers as high as $t_{\text{Li}^+} = 0.75$ (Figure S13). These are significantly higher than the values observed for liquid lithium-ion electrolytes, typically less than 0.4,¹³ and support our assertion that the current carried by MIT-20-LiCl is dominated by Li^+ transport.

One approach to changing the polarity of the pore and potentially increasing the conductivity is the installation of softer, less electronegative anions that interact more weakly with the mobile cations, thereby decreasing the activation energy for transport.⁸ Owing to its unique ability to allow for large cation loading, MIT-20 is well suited for this purpose. Indeed, reaction of MIT-20 with LiBr followed by exchange of solvent led to the isolation of $\text{Li}_{0.8}[\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{Br}_{0.8}\text{BTDD}]\cdot 10(\text{PC})$ (MIT-20-LiBr). Remarkably, even though the molar Li^+ content of this material is 20% lower than that of MIT-20-LiCl, its conductivity was higher, $4.4 \times 10^{-5}\text{ S/cm}$, as determined by ac impedance spectroscopy. Furthermore, soaking MIT-20-LiBr in a 1 M solution of LiBF_4 in PC yielded $\text{Li}_{0.9}[\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{Br}_{0.9}\text{BTDD}]\cdot 0.3\text{LiBF}_4\cdot 9(\text{PC})$ (MIT-20-LiBF₄) with a Li-ion conductivity of $4.8 \times 10^{-4}\text{ S/cm}$. This value is comparable, and indeed exceeds the Li conductivity values observed for other MOF-based Li-ion conductors, including $\text{Mg}_2(\text{dobdc})\cdot 0.35\text{LiO}^i\text{Pr}\cdot 0.25\text{LiBF}_4$ ($\sigma_{\text{Li}} = 2.4 \times 10^{-4}\text{ S/cm}$)^{7a} and $\text{EHU1}(\text{Sc},\text{Li})\cdot (\text{LiBF}_4)$ ($\sigma_{\text{Li}} = 4.2 \times 10^{-4}\text{ S/cm}$).⁹

To ascertain the influence of the pore environment and cation identity on conductivity, we determined the activation energy for ion transport by collecting variable-temperature ac impedance data between 25 and 70 °C (Figure S15). PXRD analysis after these measurements indicated no significant loss in crystallinity (Figure S16), whereas infrared spectroscopy showed that all SCN^- remained bound within MIT-20-Na (Figure S10). Thus, our materials maintain structural integrity during ion transport measurements. As shown in Figure 2 and Table 1, the activation energy for Li transport in MIT-20-LiBr, 0.29 eV, is indeed lower than that for MIT-20-LiCl, 0.32 eV, which suggests that further systematic changes in anion identity may improve the ionic conductivity in MIT-20-X, as also shown previously with MOF-74-type materials.^{7b} The very low

activation energy found for MIT-20-LiBF₄, 0.16 eV (Figure S18), highlights that our new solid electrolyte, synthesized by an unprecedented phase change in a MOF, can be classified as a superionic conductor, defined as a material with a conductivity of 10⁻⁴ S/cm and an activation energy smaller than 0.4 eV.¹⁴

In summary, the reversible phase transitions from an anionic phase to a neutral one supported by a new Cu–azolate MOF enable the isolation of stoichiometric amounts of mobile Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺ ions in one-dimensional mesopores. The respective Li⁺, Na⁺, and Mg²⁺-loaded materials function as single-ion solid electrolytes, with conductivity values that are among the highest or exceed other materials in this class, and activation energies that depend on the nature of the immobile anions. The strategy reported here is enabled by the thermodynamic stability of the anionic MOF phase, its formation presenting a strong driving force for the immobilization of large molar amounts of free ions. Additional, nonstoichiometric Li⁺ ions further improve the ionic conductivity above 10⁻⁴ S/cm, placing an MIT-20-derived electrolyte as a superionic conductor. Identification of other anionic MOFs that become neutral upon loss of stoichiometric salt equivalents may serve as a blueprint for the design of other single-ion electrolytes.

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

Supporting Information

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Synthetic details, single crystal and powder X-ray diffraction data, N₂ adsorption isotherms, TGA, NMR and ac impedance spectra (PDF)

Data for C₁₄H₁₂Cl₃Cu₂N₇O₂ (CIF)

Data for C_{4.50}H_{1.50}Cl_{0.75}Cu_{0.75}N_{2.25}O_{0.75} (CIF)

Data for C_{4.50}H_{1.50}Cl_{0.75}Cu_{0.75}N_{2.25}O_{1.50} (CIF)

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