Supporting information

Cadmium(II) coordination polymers with flexible tetradentate ligand 1,2,4,5-tetrakis(imidazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene: anion effect and reversible anion exchange property

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Figure S1. The 3D framework structure of **2** with the perchlorate anions filled in the 1D channels.



Figure S2. The 3D framework structure of **3** with the tetrafluoroborate anions filled in the 1D channels.



Figure S3. The intermolecular hydrogen bonds in the 3D framework of 4 indicated in the red dashed lines.



Figure S4. In **5**, if the coordination interactions of Cd(II) atoms with imidazole groups are ignored, the Cd1(II) and Cd(II) atoms are linked together by sulfate anions to give an infinite 1D chain A, the sulfate anions have two different kinds of coordination modes.



Figure S5. Different views of the four 1D polymeric chains extended in different directions.



Figure S6. The X-ray powder diffraction patterns of complex 1, exchanged product 1A and reversed exchanged product 1B.

D-H···A	Distance (H···A)	Distance (D····A)	Angle (D-H-A)	
Complex 1				
C4-H4A…O1#1	2.49	3.44(2)	164	
С7-Н7А…О3#2	2.39	3.19(3)	144	
C8-H8A…N1#3	2.55	3.216(9)	126	
C11-H11A…O1W#2	2.53	3.31(3)	142	
Complex 2				
C3-H1…O13#4	2.59	3.259(10)	127	
С11-Н2…О13#5	2.53	3.146(12)	120	
С11-Н3…N21	2.52	3.214(6)	127	
C21-H7…O12#5	2.58	3.510(10)	156	
С21-Н8…О14#6	2.50	3.411(8)	154	
C24-H11…O14#4	2.59	3.518(8)	164	
Complex 3				
C11-H2…F4#7	2.45	3.365(6)	153	
C11-H3…F1#2	2.54	3.473(9)	156	
C21-H7…N11	2.53	3.213(5)	126	
Complex 4				
O1W-H1WB…Cl1#8	2.32	3.128(10)	160	
C9-H9…O1W#9	2.43	3.199(11)	140	
Complex 5				
O1-H1…N122#10	1.88(3)	2.719(3)	174(3)	
O1-H2···O13	1.75(3)	2.633(4)	168(3)	
O2-H3…N152	1.98(3)	2.779(4)	167(3)	
O2-H4…O14	1.93(3)	2.695(3)	172(3)	
O3-H5…O22	2.10(4)	2.870(3)	165(3)	
О3-Н6…О2	2.00(4)	2.851(3)	179(5)	

 Table S1.
 Distance (Å) and angles (deg) of hydrogen bonds for the complexes 1-6

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С6-Н8…О12	2.51	3.416(3)	158	
C11-H10····O2#11	2.49	3.252(3)	133	
С12-Н11…О2	2.51	3.397(4)	156	
C22-H16…O2#11	2.50	3.434(4)	169	
C23-H17···O24#12	2.44	3.347(4)	160	
C41-H19…O1#13	2.37	3.261(3)	149	
C42-H21…O21#14	2.42	3.279(3)	150	
С52-Н26…О21#13	2.37	3.267(3)	157	
С54-Н28…О12	2.43	3.151(3)	133	
С111-Н31…О13#13	2.59	3.506(3)	154	
C121-H37…O13#13	2.23	3.168(4)	159	
C143-H44…O24#15	2.45	3.362(4)	161	
C144-H45…O3#12	2.42	3.312(3)	157	
Complex 6				
О1-Н1О13	1.99(3)	2.753(3)	163(3)	
O2-H2O14#16	2.04(3)	2.837(3)	174(3)	
O2-H3O3#17	2.07(4)	2.790(3)	161(4)	
О3-Н4О13	2.02(2)	2.866(3)	175(3)	
O3-H5O11#18	2.02(2)	2.865(3)	170(3)	
O4-H6O14#18	2.07(3)	2.991(4)	171(4)	
O4-H7O3	2.26(4)	3.069(4)	149(3)	
C21-H15O12#14	2.55	3.443(4)	151	
C22-H17O3#14	2.50	3.408(4)	159	
C23-H18O14#19	2.44	3.357(4)	161	
С24-Н19О4	2.50	3.225(4)	133	

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1: -1/3+y, 1/3-x+y, -2/3-z. #2: 1/3-x+y, 2/3-x, -1/3+z. #3: 1/3-x, 2/3-y, -4/3-z. #4: 1/3-x, 2/3-y, 2/3-z. #5: -x+y, -x, z. #6: y, -x+y, 1-z. #7: -1/3+y, 1/3-x+y, 1/3-z. #8: x, 3/2-y, -1/2+z. #9: 1+x, 3/2-y, 1/2+z. #10: 1+x, -1+y, z. #11: 1-x, 1-y, -z. #12: -x, 1-y, -z. #13: -x, 1-y, 1-z. #14: x, 1+y, z. #15: -1+x, 1+y, z. #16: y, x, -z. #17: -1+x, y, z. #18: 1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1/4-z. #19: 1+x, 1+y, z.