



## Supplementary Materials: Ionic polyureas - a novel subclass of poly(ionic liquid)s for CO<sub>2</sub> capture

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## 1.1. Explanations on the choice of non-ideality factor for CO2 sorption calculations

Most gases can be considered as ideal ones at sub-atmospheric pressures. In the case of CO<sub>2</sub> at 0  $^{\circ}$ C, its density at 760 mmHg is 0.04462 mol/l using the ideal equation of state (EOS) and 0.04492 mol/l using the Helmholtz EOS proposed by Span and Wagner [1], which is the equation recommended by the National Institute of Standards and Technologies of USA (NIST) for CO<sub>2</sub> at these conditions.

Commercial sub-atmospheric devices for measuring adsorption isotherms, in general, do not use real EOS (e.g. Helmholtz equation) to calculate the gas density at each measured pressure (due the very low difference between the ideal and real density of gases at low pressures), but they use the non-ideality factor which is calculated at 760 mmHg. In the present case, we have used a non-ideality factor of -8.93 10<sup>-6</sup> mmHg<sup>-1</sup> calculated using the Helmholtz equation [1].

The ideal gas law can be extended to real gases introducing the compressibility factor (Z):

$$PV = ZnRT$$
 Equation (1)

, where *P*, *V*, *n*, *R* and *T* are the pressure, volume, number of moles, the gas constant and temperature, respectively. Consequently, the extent of the deviation from the ideal gas law exhibited by a gas is (Z - 1), which is related to P through the non-ideality factor ( $\alpha$ ) as:

 $Z - 1 = \alpha P$  or  $Z = 1 + \alpha P$  Equation (2)

Note that *α* in Equation 2 is independent of pressure. Therefore, this non-ideality factor (**-8.93×10**<sup>-</sup> **mmHg**<sup>-1</sup>) is used at each tested pressure for calculating the number of moles through the Equation 3.

 $PV = (1 + \alpha P)nRT$  Equation (3)



Figure S1. (a) <sup>1</sup>H, (b) HMBC and (c) <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra of polyurea PUR6.BF<sub>4</sub> (25°C, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>).



Figure S2. FT-IR spectrum of polyurea PUR6.BF4.



**Figure S3.** CO<sub>2</sub> sorption/desorption tests for **PU1.BF**<sub>4</sub> (blue) and **PU1.BF**<sub>4</sub> (green) at atmospheric pressure and room temperature under alternating streams of N<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in a thermobalance.

## References

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