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Report:

High-resolution powder diffraction datasets were collected on four samples during this experimental session: the zeolites SSZ-52 [1] and SSZ-82 [2] and two metal-organic framework (MOF) materials. The latter are Ag⁺-ion-exchanged versions of NaLa(PO₃H)₂CH₂C₆H₄-CH(PO₃H)₂·4H₂O (NaLa(H₄L)), which exhibits an exceptional selectivity for monovalent cations [3]. These two modified MOF's appear to be significantly different from their Na parent and exhibit unexpected I₂ adsorption properties. One of the patterns has been indexed (Ag₃La(H₂L): $a = 8.810 \text{ \AA}$, $b = 22.269 \text{ \AA}$, $c = 10.059 \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 97.2^\circ$), but the second AgNa_{0.4}La(H_{3.6}L) is proving to be difficult. A second phase may be present in that sample. SSZ-52 is probably a member of the ABC-6 family of zeolite framework structures, but those data have not yet been analyzed.

The structure of calcined SSZ-82, however, has been solved and refined. Its pattern could be indexed in the space group *Pmmn* with $a = 24.293 \text{ \AA}$, $b = 11.481 \text{ \AA}$ and $c = 14.119 \text{ \AA}$. Unfortunately, the electron density maps obtained from a simple application of the powder charge flipping algorithm [4] in the program *Superflip* [5] to the extracted reflection intensities could not be interpreted satisfactorily, so a newly developed approach that we have dubbed 2D-XPD [6] was applied.

This approach involves (1) phasing low-resolution (3 Å) 2-dimensional subsets (e.g. [001], [010] and [100] projections) of the full 3-dimensional data using *Superflip*, (2) extending that initial phasing to 1.5 Å resolution, and then (3) imposing those phases in the

first 50 cycles of *Superflip* using the full 3-dimensional dataset. In this way, interpretable electron density maps showing the framework structure were obtained (Figure 1).

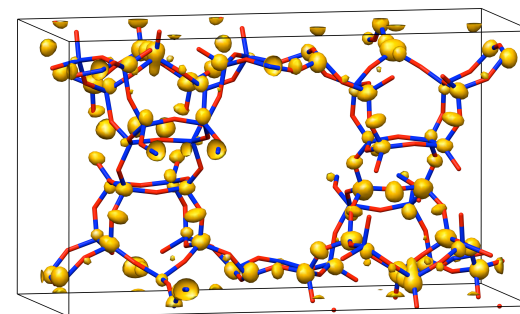


Figure 1. Electron density map for SSZ-82 obtained using the 2D-XPD approach. The final refined framework structure is overlaid for comparison.

Rietveld refinement of the structure allowed the positions of the B atoms in the framework to be identified and converged with $R_F = 0.041$ and $R_{wp} = 0.140$ ($R_{exp} = 0.129$) (Figure 2). Some water molecules, presumably adsorbed after the calcination of the material, were apparent in the channels. The zeolite has 11 Si/B in the asymmetric unit and a 10-/12-ring 2-dimensional channel system.

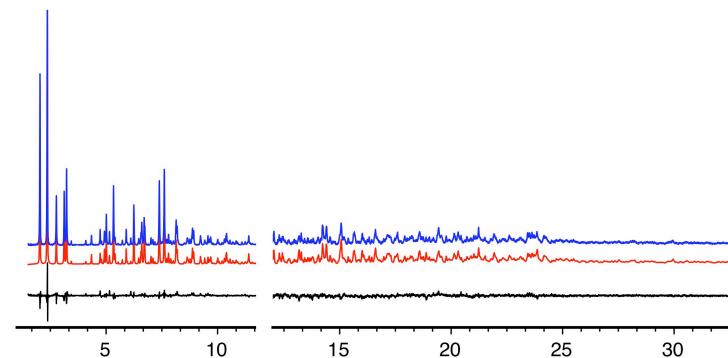


Figure 2. Observed (blue), calculated (red) and difference (black) profiles for SSZ-82. The second part of the pattern has been scaled up by a factor of 5 to show more detail.

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