

Supplementary Materials: Synthesis and Transport Properties of Novel MOF/PIM-1/MOF Sandwich Membranes for Gas Separation

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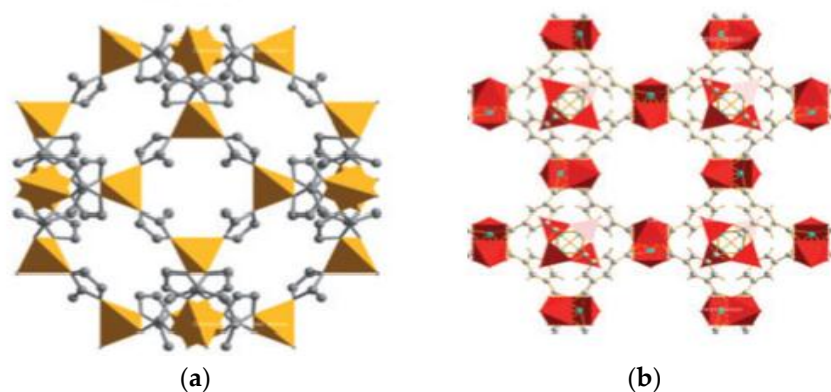


Figure S1. Schematic representation of the ZIF-8 chemical structure (a) and HKUST-1 chemical structure (b).

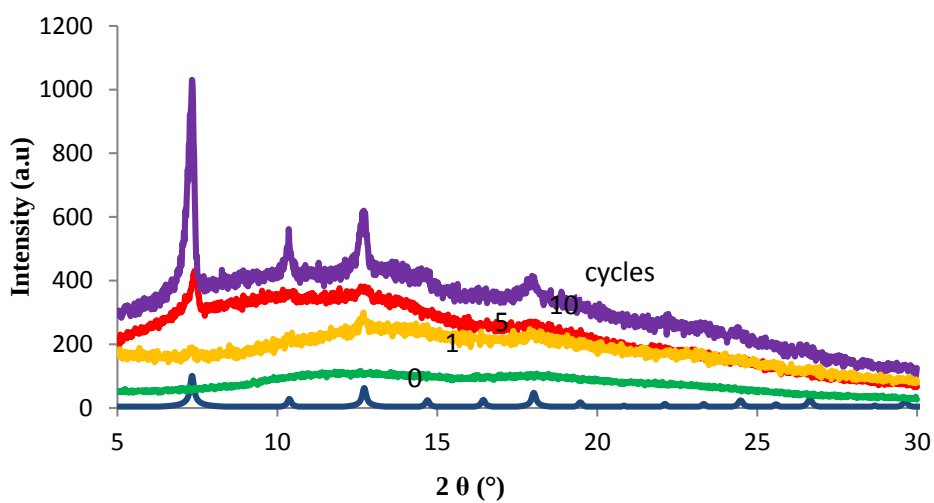


Figure S2. Wide angle powder XRD patterns of HMDA-PIM-1 (green), and HMDA-PIM-1-supported ZIF-8 membrane after 1 cycle (orange), 5 cycles (red) and 10 cycles (purple). Simulated ZIF-8 is shown for comparison (blue).

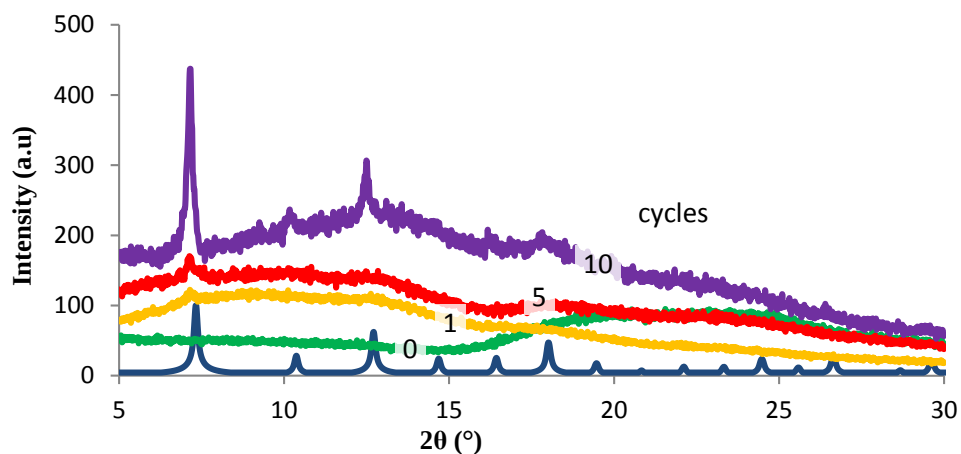


Figure S3. Wide angle powder XRD patterns of AMD-PIM-1 (green), and AMD-PIM-1-supported ZIF-8 membrane after 1 cycle (orange), 5 cycles (red) and 10 cycles (purple). Simulated ZIF-8 is shown for comparison (blue).

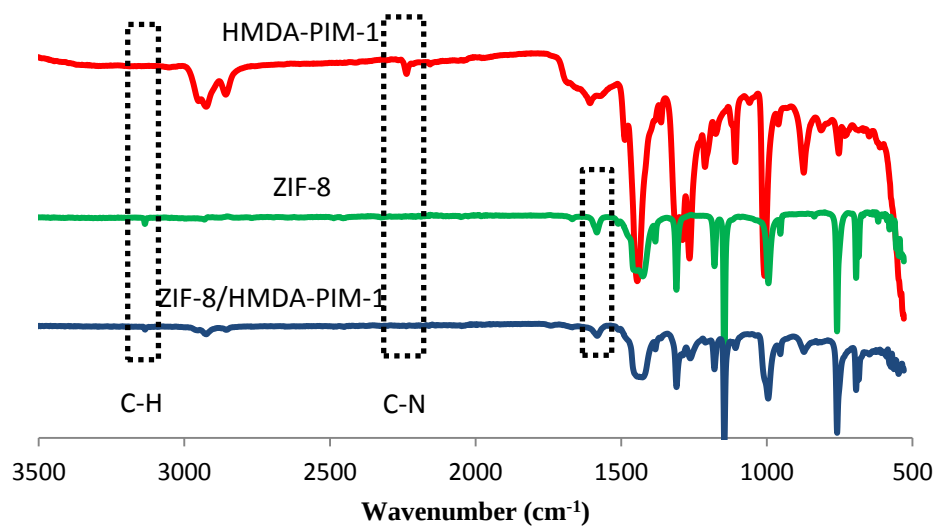


Figure S4. ATR-IR spectra of ZIF-8/HMDA-PIM-1 membrane, pure ZIF-8 powder and the HMDA-PIM-1 support membrane.

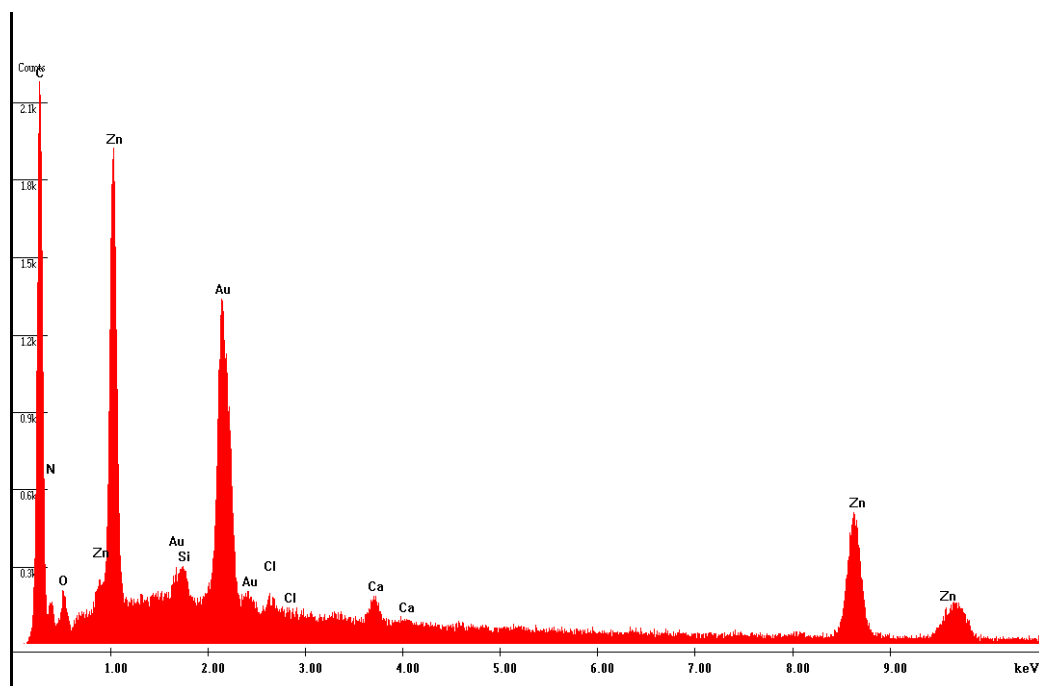


Figure S5. EDX spectrum of the cross-section of ZIF-8 deposited on the HMDA-PIM-1 membrane after 5 growth cycles. The Au peak originates from the sputtering for SEM analysis.

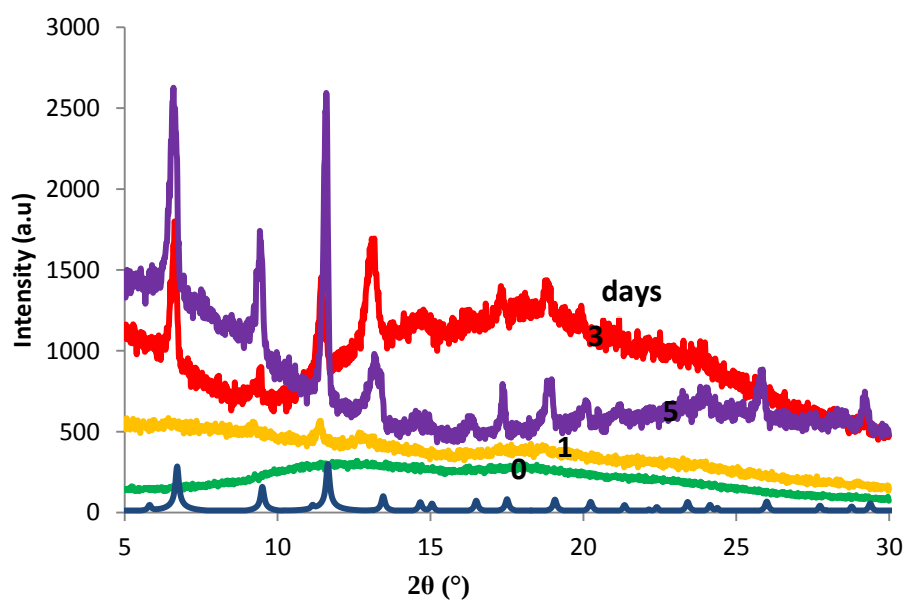


Figure S6. Wide angle powder XRD patterns of HMDA-PIM-1 (green), and HMDA-PIM-1-supported HKUST-1 membrane after 1 day (orange), 3 days (red) and 5 days (purple) of HKUST growth. Simulated HKUST-1 is shown for comparison (blue).

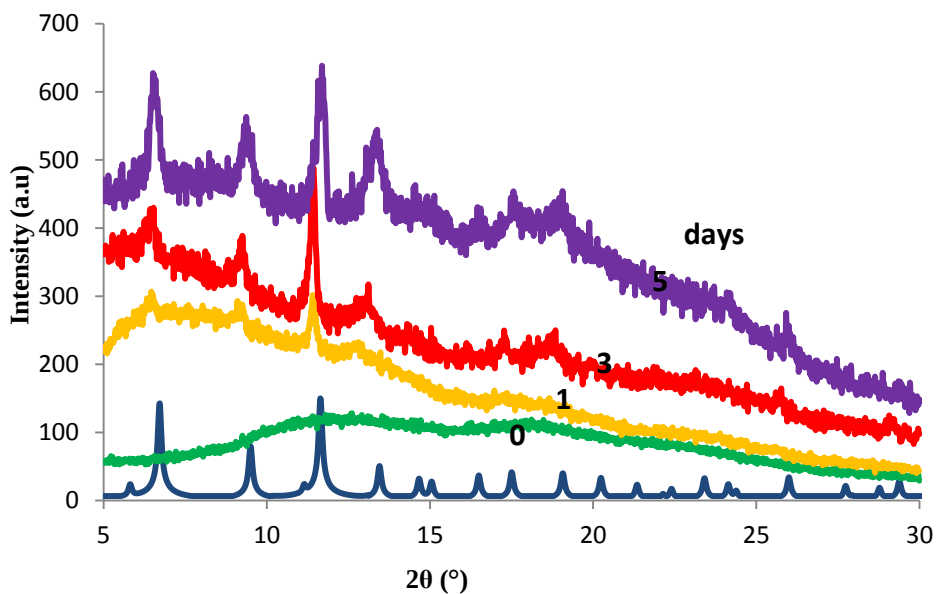


Figure S7. Wide angle powder XRD patterns of BTC/HMDA-PIM-1 (green), and BTC/HMDA-PIM-1-supported HKUST-1 membrane after 1 day (orange), 3 days (red) and 5 days (purple) of HKUST growth. Simulated HKUST-1 is shown for comparison (blue).

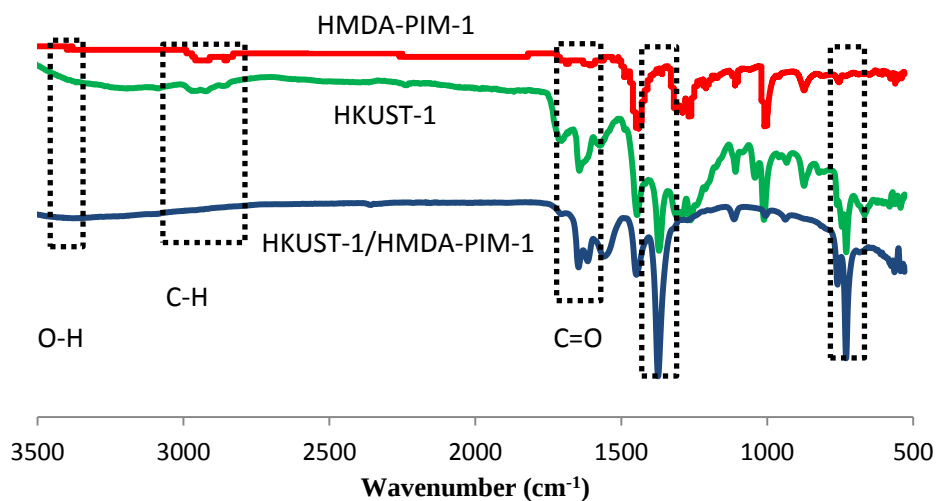


Figure S8. ATR-IR spectra of HMDA-PIM-1 membrane, pure HKUST-1 powder and HKUST-1/HMDA-PIM-1 membrane. The characteristic bands of HKUST-1 are located at 700, 1380 and 1620 cm^{-1} .

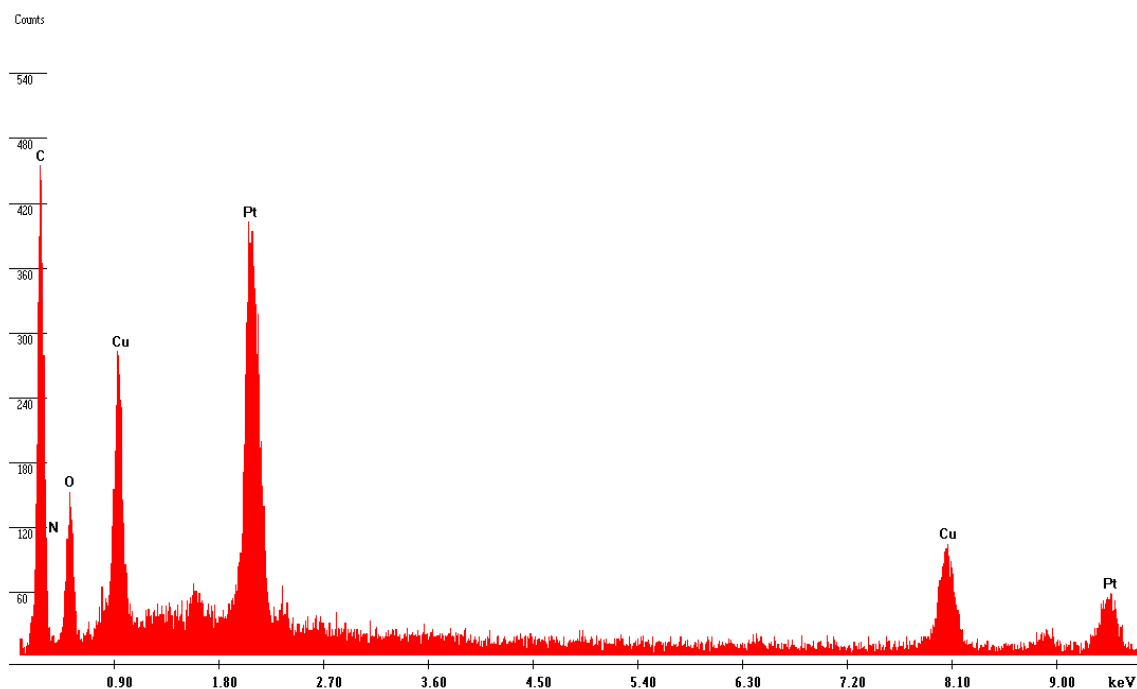


Figure S9. EDX spectrum of the cross-section of the HKUST-1 layer grown on the HKUST-1/HMDA-PIM-1 membrane for 5 days. The Pt peak originates from the sputtering for SEM analysis.

Table S1. Transport data of sample PIM-1 and ZIF-8/PIM-1 sandwich membranes as a function of the number of ZIF-8 growth cycles.

Sample (cycles growth)	Gas Transport parameter	N ₂	O ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	H ₂	He
<i>Neat PIM-1</i>	P_x [Barrer]	323	1015	6132	447	2745	1169
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.14	18.94	1.38	8.48	3.61
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	64.0	212	86.2	23.5	4012	5587
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.32	1.35	0.37	62.7	87.4
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	3.80	3.59	53.3	14.3	0.51	0.16
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	0.95	14.04	3.76	0.14	0.04
<i>1 cycle</i>	P_x [Barrer]	54.5	215	1365	67.2	803	422
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.96	25.1	1.23	14.7	7.74
	D_x [10^{-12} ·m ² ·s ⁻¹]	18.6	62.5	28.2	5.59	1575	3452
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.36	1.51	0.30	84.7	185.5
	S_x [cm ³ (STP)·cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	2.20	2.59	36.31	9.02	0.38	0.09
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.18	16.54	4.11	0.17	0.04
<i>5 cycles</i>	P_x [Barrer]	9.36	22.8	136	9.81	127	97.2
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	2.44	14.5	1.05	13.6	10.4
	D_x [10^{-12} ·m ² ·s ⁻¹]	6.37	11.3	4.20	1.40	414	1127
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	1.77	0.66	0.22	65.0	176.9
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	1.10	1.51	24.28	5.27	0.23	0.06
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.37	22.04	4.78	0.21	0.06
<i>10 cycles</i>	P_x [Barrer]	3.28	11.7	69.9	3.90	75.9	59.3
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.56	21.3	1.19	23.2	18.1
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	3.12	7.46	2.72	0.61	283	636
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	2.39	0.87	0.20	90.8	204
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	0.79	1.17	19.25	4.79	0.20	0.07
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.49	24.4	6.07	0.26	0.09

Table S2. Transport data of sample AMD PIM-1 and ZIF-8/AMD PIM-1 sandwich membranes as a function of the number of ZIF-8 growth cycles.

Sample (cycles growth)	Gas Transport parameter	N ₂	O ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	H ₂	He
AMD PIM-1	P_x [Barrer]	362	1107	6001	525	3215	1435
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.05	16.6	1.45	8.87	3.96
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	70.0	210	81.1	27.0	4230	6480
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.01	1.16	0.39	60.4	92.5
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	3.88	3.94	55.5	14.6	0.57	0.17
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.01	14.30	3.75	0.15	0.04
1 cycle	P_x [Barrer]	101	405	2249	112	1467	716
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.00	22.2	1.10	14.5	7.07
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	20.8	77.1	28.5	6.20	1961	2562
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.71	1.37	0.30	94.2	123
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	3.65	3.94	59.1	13.5	0.56	0.21
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.08	16.2	3.71	0.15	0.06
5 cycles	P_x [Barrer]	11.6	37.5	187	N/A ^{a)}	197	143
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.24	16.2	-	17.0	12.3
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	5.96	15.3	4.79	N/A ^{a)}	485	1475
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	2.56	0.80	-	81.5	247
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	1.46	1.84	29.3	N/A ^{a)}	0.30	0.07
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.26	20.1	-	0.21	0.05
10 cycles	P_x [Barrer]	7.58	25.0	170	N/A ^{a)}	191	135
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.29	22.5	-	25.14	17.8
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	4.51	10.8	5.41	N/A ^{a)}	477	1024
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	2.40	1.20	-	106	227
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	1.26	1.73	23.6	N/A ^{a)}	0.30	0.10
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.37	18.7	-	0.24	0.08

^{a)} The surface roughness of the ZIF-8/AMD-PIM1 membrane was so high after 5 and 10 cycles, that it caused a too high CH₄ leak flow of under the sealing ring in the membrane cell to allow reliable correction, and therefore the CH₄ permeability and related selectivities could not be determined accurately for these samples.

Table S3. Transport data of sample HMDA PIM-1 and ZIF-8/HMDA PIM-1 sandwich membranes as a function of the number of ZIF-8 growth cycles.

Sample (cycles growth)	Gas Transport parameter	N ₂	O ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	H ₂	He
HMDA PIM-1	P_x [Barrer]	36.4	145	620	47.9	589	321
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.98	17.02	1.32	16.18	8.81
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	14.8	41.9	9.70	3.90	1136	2245
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	2.84	0.66	0.26	76.96	152.08
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	1.85	2.59	47.9	9.23	0.39	0.11
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.40	25.9	4.99	0.21	0.06
1 cycle	P_x [Barrer]	19.3	73.9	412	27.9	316	191
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	3.82	21.3	1.44	16.3	9.85
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	10.5	31.4	9.02	3.48	838	1865
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	2.99	0.86	0.33	79.62	177
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	1.38	1.76	34.3	6.01	0.28	0.08
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.28	24.85	4.36	0.21	0.06
5 cycles	P_x [Barrer]	2.69	11.3	29.3	3.25	80.6	64.0
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.19	10.9	1.21	29.9	23.8
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	2.08	5.57	0.71	0.50	234	692
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	2.68	0.34	0.24	113	333.4
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	0.97	1.52	31.1	4.83	0.26	0.07
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.56	32.0	4.97	0.27	0.07

<i>10 cycles</i>	P_x [Barrer]	1.75	7.19	20.6	2.02	54.4	47.8
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.11	11.8	1.16	31.1	27.3
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	2.05	4.08	0.43	0.38	135	311
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	1.99	0.21	0.19	65.6	151
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	0.64	1.32	35.5	3.95	0.30	0.12
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	2.07	55.5	6.19	0.47	0.18

Table S4. Transport data of sample HKUST-1 BTC/HMDA-PIM-1 sandwich membranes as a function of the HKUST-1 growth time.

Sample (days growth)	Gas Transport parameter	N ₂	O ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	H ₂	He
<i>1 day</i>	P_x [Barrer]	9.97	46.9	271	10.9	275	182
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.71	27.2	1.10	27.6	18.2
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	2.61	10.1	3.62	0.67	380	893
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.87	1.39	0.26	145	342
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	2.86	3.48	56.1	12.2	0.54	0.15
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.22	19.6	4.25	0.19	0.05
<i>3 days</i>	P_x [Barrer]	6.04	26.4	152	6.70	161	116
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.37	25.2	1.11	26.7	19.3
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	2.18	7.43	2.76	0.49	325	692
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.41	1.27	0.22	149	318
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	2.08	2.67	41.4	10.3	0.37	0.13
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.28	19.9	4.93	0.18	0.06
<i>5 days</i>	P_x [Barrer]	7.73	34.9	197	8.93	212	147
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.52	25.5	1.16	27.5	19.0
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	3.82	13.1	4.47	1.03	459	1296
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.43	1.17	0.27	120	339
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	1.52	1.99	33.0	6.48	0.35	0.09
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.32	21.8	4.28	0.23	0.06

Table S5. Transport data of sample HKUST-1 HMDA-PIM1 sandwich membranes as a function of the HKUST-1 growth time.

Sample (days growth)	Gas Transport parameter	N ₂	O ₂	CO ₂	CH ₄	H ₂	He
<i>1 day</i>	P_x [Barrer]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	α (P_x/PN_2)						
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	α (D_x/DN_2)						
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	α (S_x/SN_2)						
<i>3 days</i>	P_x [Barrer]	17.5	74.2	447	19.0	402	249
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.25	25.6	1.09	23.0	14.2
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	4.70	16.3	5.98	1.09	727	899
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.48	1.27	0.23	155	191
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	2.79	3.41	56.1	13.1	0.41	0.21
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.22	20.1	4.69	0.15	0.07
<i>5 days</i>	P_x [Barrer]	18.1	74.8	453	21.5	360	222
	α (P_x/PN_2)	-	4.13	24.98	1.19	19.87	12.26
	D_x [10^{-12} m ² ·s ⁻¹]	6.62	22.0	8.70	1.88	720	1454
	α (D_x/DN_2)	-	3.32	1.31	0.28	109	220
	S_x [cm ³ (STP) cm ⁻³ ·bar ⁻¹]	2.05	2.56	39.1	8.61	0.38	0.11
	α (S_x/SN_2)	-	1.24	19.0	4.19	0.18	0.06