Tuning Crystal Structures of Iron-Based Metal-Organic Frameworks for Drug

Delivery Applications

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Supporting Information

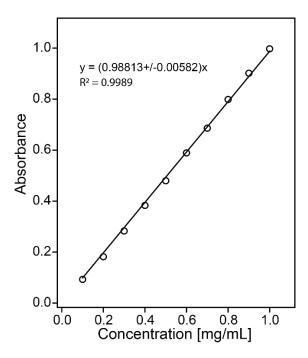


Figure S1. Absorbance of ibuprofen at 264 nm corresponding to increasing concentrations in hexane. Data were collected using a Shimadzu UV-Vis photospectrometer. The standard curve was used to evaluate ibuprofen concentration changes after being adsorbed by MIL materials.

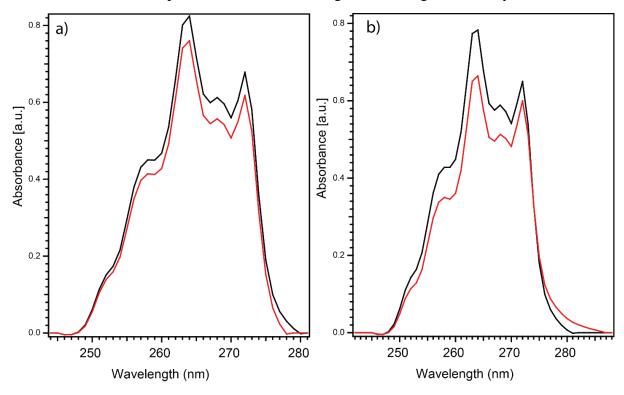


Figure S2. Absorbance of ibuprofen in hexane before (black) and after (red) being adsorbed by MIL-88B (a) and MIL-53 (b) materials. The ibuprofen solution was diluted before measurements.

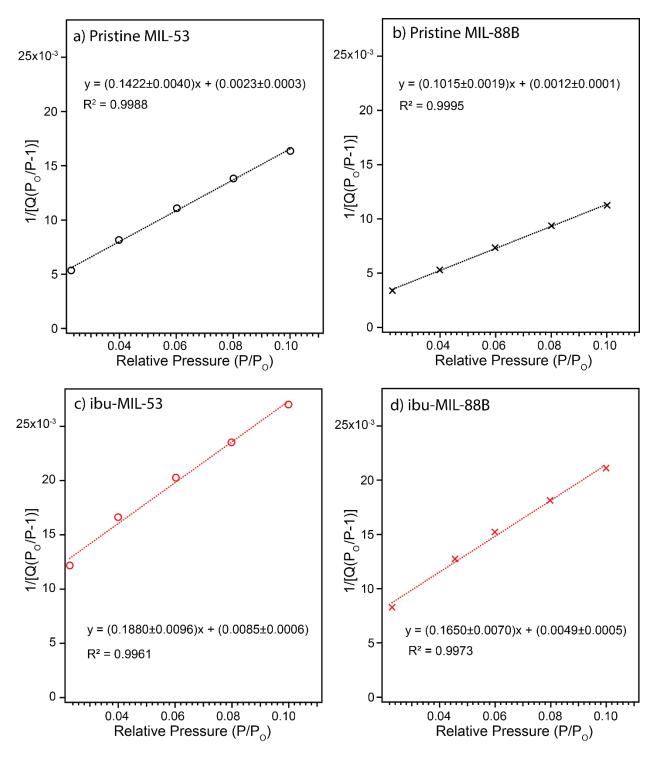


Figure S3. BET plots of a) MIL-53 (circle) and b) MIL-88B (cross) before (black) and after (red) ibuprofen loading based on nitrogen adsorption isotherms at 77 K.

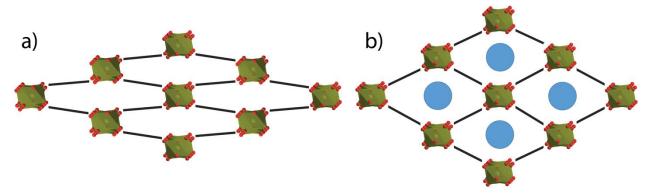
Table S1. Summary of BET parameters and SSA of MIL-53 and MIL-88B with and without ibuprofen

Sample	C	$V_m(cm^3/g, STP)$	$SSA (m^2/g)$
MIL-53	62.26	6.92	30.11±0.83
ibu-MIL-53	23.06	5.09	22.15±1.09
MIL-88B	86.66	9.74	42.39±0.77
ibu-MIL-88B	34.46	5.88	25.61±1.06

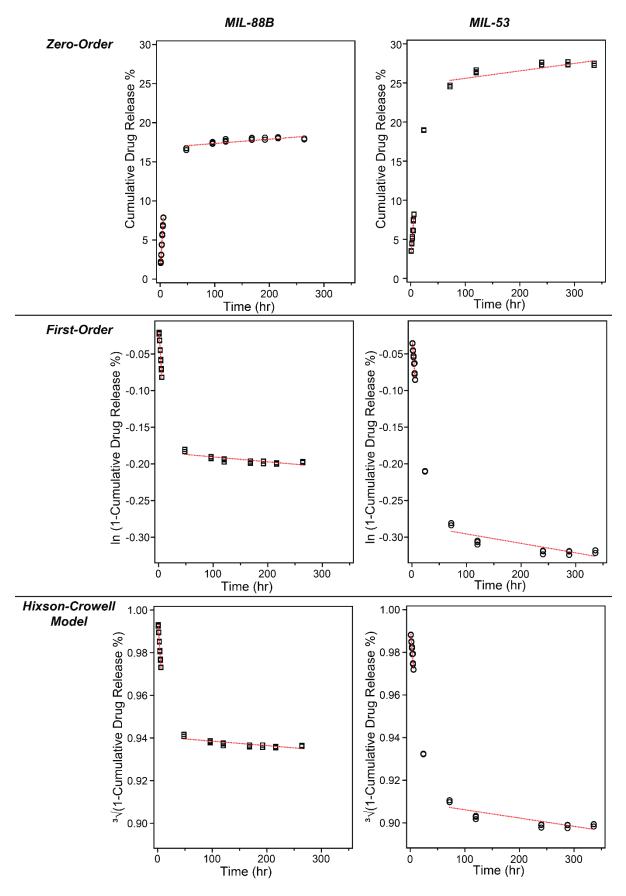
Note:

- 1. C is the BET constant, describing the difference in heat of adsorption between the multilayer and the first layer formation.
- 2. Based on the BET equation, C = 1 + slope/y-intercept; $V_m = 1/(\text{slope+y-intercept})$. Both slope and y-intercept were determined by BET plots shown in Fig. R1.
- 3. SSA was calculated based on Eq. S1.

$$SSA = \frac{V_m N_A}{V_g} A_0$$
 Eq. S1



Scheme S1. Illustrative scheme of MIL-53 (Fe) with a) closed channels and b) expanded framework with guest molecules.



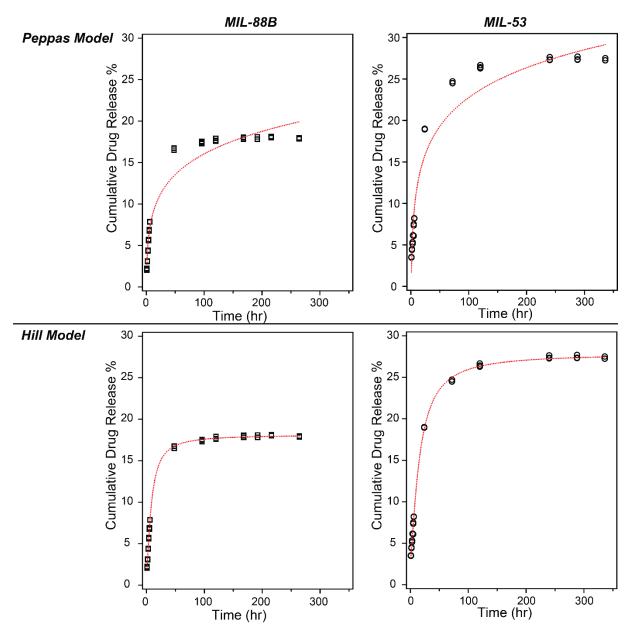


Figure S4. Drug release profiles of ibuprofen as a function of soaking time in PBS for MIL-88B and MIL-53. The data were fitted to different math models based on Eq. 2 to 6. Fitting paramethers and correlation coefficients are listed in Table S2.

Table S2. Summary of drug eluation models and their fitting correlation coefficients.

Model		MIL-88B	\mathbb{R}^2	MIL-53	\mathbb{R}^2
Zero-	Stage 1	y = 1.1738x + 0.8909	0.9973	y = 0.9909x + 2.5701	0.9684
Order	Stage 2	y = 0.0055x + 16.791	0.6651	y = 0.0095x + 24.633	0.7354
First-	Stage 1	y = -0.0124x - 0.0083	0.9974	y = -0.0097x - 0.0256	0.9672
Order	Stage 2	y = -7E - 05x - 0.1838	0.6657	y = -0.0001x - 0.2827	0.7376
Hixson-	Stage 1	y = -0.004x + 0.9972	0.9974	y = -0.0032 + 0.9915	0.9676
Crowell	Stage 2	y = -2E - 05x + 0.9406	0.6655	y = -4E - 05x + 0.9101	0.7369
Peppas		$y = 3.0456x^{0.3576}$		$y = 3.8365x^{0.3768}$	0.9498
		y	0.9994	y	0.9989
Hill		= 1.1443		= 2.9373	
		$+ 16.9707 / \left[1 + \left(\frac{8.2915}{x} \right)^{1.3811} \right]$		$+24.9117/\left[1+\left(\frac{16.022}{x}\right)^{1.3599}\right]$	