

## **Recent Advances in Zeolitic Imidazolate Frameworks (ZIFs)**

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The study of Metal-Organic Frameworks (MOFs) is one of the most fashionable areas of materials chemistry. The Zeolitic Imidazolate Frameworks (ZIFs) are a particularly interesting sub-class of MOFs on account of their close structural relationship to aluminosilicate zeolites. Our recent work on ZIFs, including novel synthetic routes,<sup>1</sup> energetics,<sup>2</sup> mechanical properties,<sup>3,4</sup> their behavior under pressure<sup>5</sup> and amorphization<sup>6</sup> will be discussed.

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