Building scheme for IMF



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1. Periodic Building Unit:

IMF can be built using units of 36 T atoms built from three different sub-units of 12 T atoms each (one T36-unit bold Figure 1). All three T12-units consist of two 5-1 units which are connected into a $[4^{1}5^{4}6^{1}]$ -cage attached to a single T atom (T12-unit1), or into $[5^{4}]$ - and $[5^{2}6^{1}]$ -cages (sharing a 5-ring) bearing a dimer (T12-unit2) or two single T atoms (T12-unit3). T36-units, related by a screw rotation of 180° about *b* are connected into chains along *b*. Chains, related by a screw rotation of 180° about *a* are connected along *a* into the Periodic Building Unit (PerBU). The two-dimensional PerBU equals the *ab* layer shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1. (a): T36-unit consisting of three different T12-units; (b): PerBU viewed along c (top) and along a (bottom).

2. Connection mode:

Neighboring PerBUs, related by a rotation of 180° about c, are connected along c as depicted in Figure 2.



Figure 2. Top: connection mode (and unit cell content) viewed along a. Bottom: projection of the unit cell content along c. The position of 2-fold screw axes and the different types of 10-ring channels parallel to a and c are indicated (see Figure 3(b))).

4. Channels and/or cages:

There are two types of intersecting 10-ring channels parallel to c and parallel to a as indicated in Figure 2 and as illustrated in Figures 3(a) and 3(b). The **pore descriptors** are added. Pairs of 10-ring channels (of different type) parallel to c are interconnecting along b through channels of type 1 parallel to a as shown in Figure 3(c). The interconnecting range along b is limited to a slab formed by two pairs of channels, related by a 2-fold screw axis parallel to c.



Figure 3. (a): 10-Ring channels parallel to c viewed along a (top) and along the channel axis parallel to c (bottom). [Figure 3 is continued on next page]



Figure 3 [Cont'd]. (b): 10-Ring channels parallel to *a* viewed along *c* (top) and along *a* (bottom). (c): Left: two types of channels parallel to *c* are interconnecting along *b* through channels of type 1 parallel to *a*. Right: Intersecting channels of type 2.

5. Supplementary information:

Other framework types containing (modified) 5-rings

5-Rings can be connected in several other ways. In all cases additional T atoms are needed to build the framework.

In the **INTRO**-pages links are given to a detailed description of a sub-set of framework types that contain (modified) 5-rings (choose: **5-Rings**). There is also a link provided to a summary of the PerBUs used in the building schemes of these framework types (choose: **Appendix**; **Figure 6**).