## **Additional Materials**

## A humidity tolerance and room temperature carbon soot@ZIF-71 sensor for toluene vapour detection

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S.1. Sensor 1 is made up of ZIF-71 only.



**Fig. S.1**: Relative resistance response curve of ZIF-71 sensor towards toluene vapour.



S. 2. Gas sensing responses of sensor 2, made up of CNPs only.



Fig. S. 2: Dynamic response curves of CNPs sensor towards toluene, mesitylene, acetonitrile, diethyl ether, and ethanol vapours, and their calibration curves.



S. 3. Sensor 3 made up of 1:1 mass ratio CNPs@ZIF-71



**Fig. S. 3**: Dynamic response curves of sensor 3 towards toluene, mesitylene, acetonitrile, diethyl ether, and ethanol vapours, and their calibration curves.



S. 3. Sensor 3 made up of 1:1 mass ratio CNPs@ZIF-71



**Fig. S. 3**: Dynamic response curves of sensor 3 towards toluene, mesitylene, acetonitrile, diethyl ether, and ethanol vapours, and their calibration curves.

S. 4. Sensor 4 is made up of 2:1 mass ratio of CNPs@Zif-71





**Fig. S. 4**: Dynamic response curves of sensor 4 towards toluene, mesitylene, acetonitrile, diethyl ether, and ethanol vapours.

S. 5. Sensor 5 is made up of 3:1 CNPs@ZIFs composite





**Fig. S. 5**: Daynamic response curves of sensor 5 towards toluene, mesitylene, acetonitrile, diethyl ether, and ethanol vapours and their calibration curves.