

## Electronic Supplementary Information

# Enhancing optical anisotropy of crystals by optimizing bonding electron distribution in anionic groups

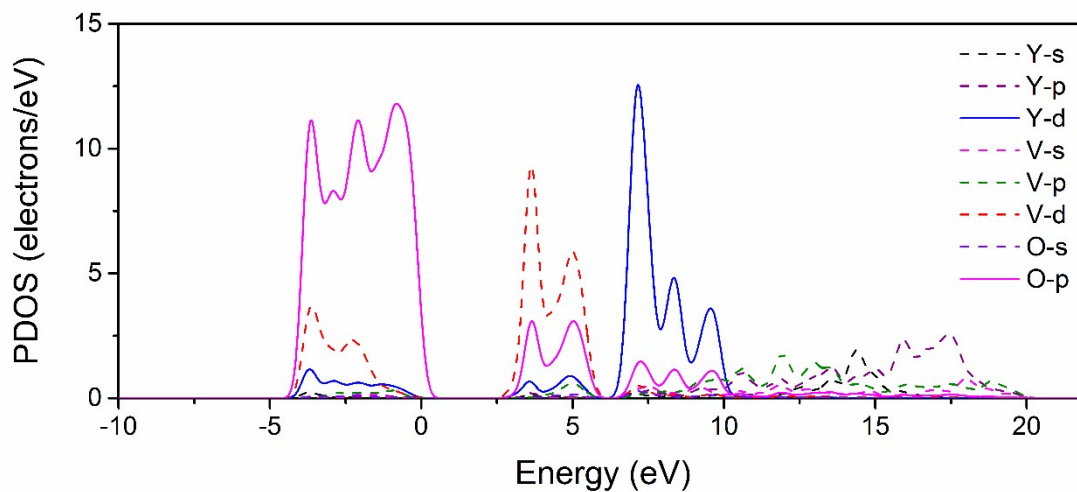
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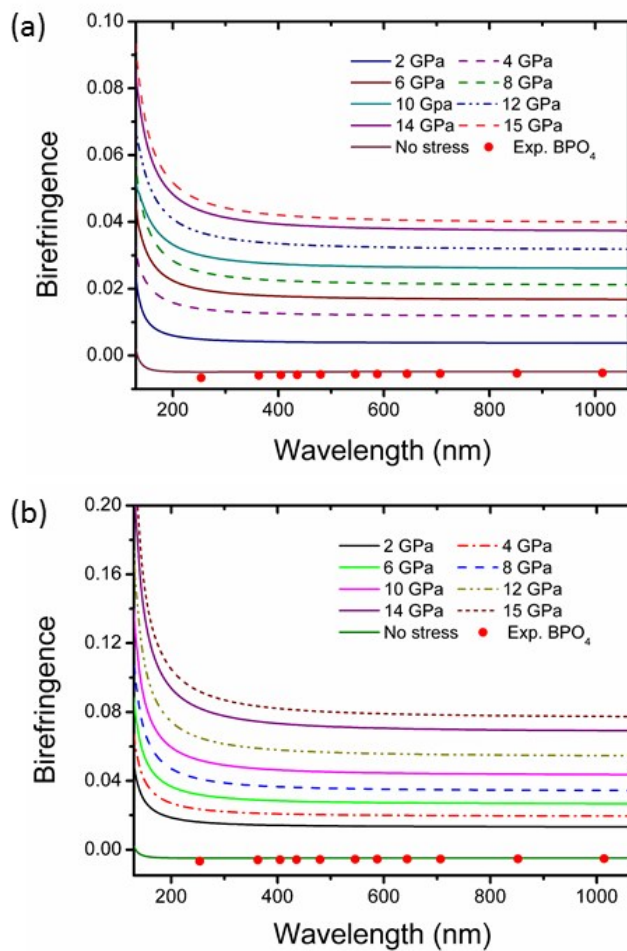
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## Methods

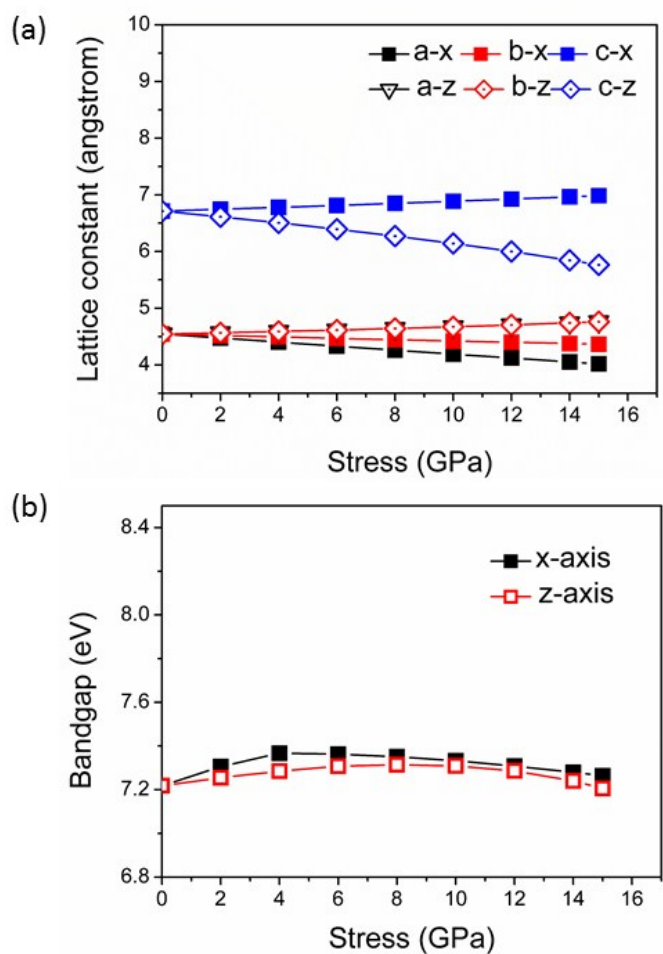
During the calculation, geometry optimization was performed using the BFGS minimization technique in CASTEP module. The converged criterions for the geometry optimization are that the residual forces on the atoms, the displacements of atoms and the energy change are less than 0.01 eV/Å,  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  Å,  $5.0 \times 10^{-6}$  eV/atom, respectively. The exchange-correlation functional and pseudopotential for BPO<sub>4</sub> and KBBF all are generalized gradient approximation (GGA) with Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) functional and norm-conserving pseudopotential (NCP). The valence electrons are B-2s<sup>2</sup>2p<sup>1</sup>, P-3s<sup>2</sup>3p<sup>3</sup> and O-2s<sup>2</sup>2p<sup>4</sup> respectively. The energy cutoff of plane wave's basis sets of them are all 830 eV. Monkhorst-Pack k-point of them are sampled with a separation of 0.050 Å<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. We kept the default values of the CASTEP code on the aspect of the other calculation parameters and convergent criteria. For WIEN2k, the converged criterions were that the energy change, the force and the charge are less 0.0001 Ry, 1 mRy/au and 0.001 e respectively. The Monkhorst-Pack k-point is 10×10×10.



**Figure S1.** The partial density of states of  $\text{YVO}_4$ .



**Figure S2.** The birefringence of  $\text{BPO}_4$  at a series of pressure along x- axis (a) and z- axis (b).



**Figure S3.** Change of (a) lattice and (b) bandgap as the increasing stress along x-axis and z-axis.

**Table S1.** The larger rotation angle  $\theta$  and bond angle  $\varphi$  of  $\text{BO}_4$  and  $\text{PO}_4$  in  $\text{BPO}_4$  under pressure along z-axis.

Groups	$\text{BO}_4$			$\text{PO}_4$		
	$\cos \theta$	$\cos \varphi$	$\Delta\rho^c$	$\cos \theta$	$\cos \varphi$	$\Delta\rho^c$
No stress	0.915	0.565	-0.066	0.921	0.557	-0.072
2 Gpa	0.915	0.557	-0.030	0.921	0.550	-0.014
4 Gpa	0.913	0.548	0.010	0.919	0.541	0.047
6 Gpa	0.921	0.538	0.038	0.926	0.532	0.091
8 Gpa	0.911	0.528	0.098	0.917	0.522	0.187
10 Gpa	0.910	0.517	0.147	0.916	0.512	0.266
12 Gpa	0.908	0.505	0.198	0.915	0.500	0.352
14 Gpa	0.907	0.492	0.255	0.914	0.487	0.443
15 Gpa	0.907	0.485	0.284	0.914	0.480	0.492

**Table S2.** The B-O and P-O bond length ( $\text{\AA}$ ) of  $\text{BPO}_4$  under pressure along x-axis.

BPO <sub>4</sub>	B-O(1)	B-O(2)	$\beta_{zzz}$	P-O(1)	P-O(2)	$\beta_{zzz}$
No stress	1.472	1.472	0.00	1.517	1.517	0.00
2 Gpa	1.471	1.471	0.00	1.517	1.517	0.00
4 Gpa	1.475	1.465	-2.96	1.518	1.515	5.01
6 Gpa	1.476	1.463	-4.57	1.518	1.515	7.50
8 Gpa	1.478	1.461	-6.18	1.519	1.515	9.85
10 Gpa	1.479	1.459	-7.89	1.519	1.514	12.24
12 Gpa	1.480	1.458	-9.22	1.519	1.514	14.44
14 Gpa	1.481	1.458	-10.93	1.520	1.515	16.63
15 Gpa	1.482	1.457	-11.64	1.520	1.515	17.75

**Table S3.** The hyperpolarizabilities (a.u.) of BO<sub>4</sub> and PO<sub>4</sub> groups (Gr.) under pressure along z-axis and x-axis.

Gr.	z	$\beta_{xxx}$	$\beta_{xxy}$	$\beta_{xyy}$	$\beta_{yyy}$	$\beta_{xxz}$	$\beta_{xyz}$	$\beta_{yyz}$	$\beta_{xzz}$	$\beta_{yzz}$	$\beta_{zzz}$
BO <sub>4</sub>	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-7.90	-8.62	7.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
	2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-7.95	-8.75	7.93	0.00	0.00	-0.03
	4	-0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-7.95	-8.85	7.95	-0.00	0.00	-0.00
	6	-0.02	0.01	-0.00	0.03	-7.92	-8.93	7.90	-0.00	0.01	-0.03
	8	-0.03	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	-7.85	-8.96	7.88	-0.01	0.00	0.03
	10	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	-7.77	-8.96	7.74	0.00	0.00	-0.03
	12	0.00	-0.00	0.00	-0.02	-7.58	-8.89	7.60	0.00	0.00	0.03
	14	-0.02	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-7.37	-8.73	7.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
	15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-7.23	-8.62	7.23	0.00	0.00	0.00
PO <sub>4</sub>	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.60	-15.96	-15.62	0.00	0.00	-0.02
	2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.51	-16.00	-15.51	0.00	0.00	0.00
	4	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.02	15.38	-16.02	-15.38	0.00	0.00	0.00
	6	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.02	15.18	-16.02	-15.17	0.00	0.00	-0.02
	8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.98	-15.95	-14.97	0.00	0.00	-0.02
	10	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	14.70	-15.85	-14.68	0.00	0.00	-0.02
	12	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01	14.35	-15.67	-14.37	0.00	0.00	-0.02
	14	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.99	-15.42	-13.99	-0.00	0.00	0.00
	15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.77	-15.27	-13.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gr.	x	$\beta_{xxx}$	$\beta_{xxy}$	$\beta_{xyy}$	$\beta_{yyy}$	$\beta_{xxz}$	$\beta_{xyz}$	$\beta_{yyz}$	$\beta_{xzz}$	$\beta_{yzz}$	$\beta_{zzz}$
BO <sub>4</sub>	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-7.90	-8.62	7.90	0.00	0.00	0.00
	2	0.00	-0.02	0.00	0.04	-7.65	-8.97	7.65	0.04	0.00	0.00
	4	0.01	-0.00	0.00	-0.01	-8.08	-9.31	6.65	0.00	0.00	-2.96
	6	0.03	-0.00	0.01	0.00	-8.21	-9.62	5.94	0.01	0.00	-4.57
	8	-0.03	0.01	-0.01	0.03	-8.36	-9.90	5.23	-0.01	0.01	-6.18
	10	0.03	-0.00	0.01	0.00	-8.54	-10.15	4.46	0.01	0.00	-7.89
	12	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.03	-8.65	-10.36	3.84	0.00	0.01	-9.22
	14	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	-8.83	-10.55	3.05	0.00	0.00	-10.93
	15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-8.89	-10.63	2.69	0.00	0.00	-11.64

	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.60	-15.96	-15.62	0.00	0.00	0.00
	2	0.03	-0.02	-0.05	-0.06	15.05	-16.53	-15.05	0.00	0.06	0.00
	4	-0.02	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	15.62	-17.03	-13.43	0.00	0.00	5.01
	6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	15.59	-17.53	-12.33	0.00	0.00	7.50
PO <sub>4</sub>	8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	15.54	-17.96	-11.29	0.00	0.00	9.85
	10	-0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01	15.50	-18.36	-10.24	0.00	0.00	12.24
	12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	15.47	-18.69	-9.30	0.00	0.00	14.44
	14	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.02	15.37	-19.02	-8.30	0.00	0.00	16.63
	15	0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.00	15.34	-19.16	-7.80	0.00	0.00	17.75

**Table S4.** The calculated nonzero SHG coefficients (pm/V) of BPO<sub>4</sub> under pressure along x-axis and z-axis.

BPO <sub>4</sub>	$d_{14}$		$d_{16}$	$d_{22}$	$d_{25}$	$d_{15}$	
	<i>x-axis</i>	<i>z-axis</i>				<i>x-axis</i>	<i>z-axis</i>
No stress	0.803	0.830	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.026	-0.026
2 Gpa	0.825	0.807	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.028	-0.027
4 Gpa	0.842	0.810	0.034	-0.041	0.029	0.000	-0.030
6 Gpa	0.845	0.814	0.035	-0.063	0.029	0.000	-0.035
8 Gpa	0.846	0.814	0.035	-0.084	0.028	0.000	-0.040
10 Gpa	0.845	0.812	0.035	-0.105	0.027	0.000	-0.046
12 Gpa	0.842	0.806	0.033	-0.126	0.025	0.000	-0.054
14 Gpa	0.841	0.797	0.031	-0.146	0.024	0.000	-0.060
15 Gpa	0.839	0.789	0.03	-0.157	0.023	0.000	-0.064