

Supporting Information

ACaBO₃ (A=Cs, Rb): Two new cubic borates with isolated BO₃ groups

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Table S1a. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for CsCaBO₃. U_{eq} is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
Cs(1)	6399(1)	3601(1)	8601(1)	25(1)
Ca(1)	8568(1)	8568(1)	8568(1)	15(1)
B(1)	10960(8)	5960(8)	9040(8)	17(2)
O(1)	10869(6)	7337(5)	10242(5)	20(1)

Table S1b. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for RbCaBO_3 . U_{eq} is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
Rb(1)	6210(1)	8790(1)	1210(1)	26(1)
Ca(1)	11007(1)	11007(1)	1007(1)	14(1)
B(1)	11705(7)	8295(7)	3295(7)	17(2)
O(1)	10280(4)	8160(4)	2094(4)	18(1)

Table S2a. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) for CsCaBO₃.

Cs(1)-O(1)#1	3.150(4)	O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#8	95.40(9)
Cs(1)-O(1)#2	3.150(4)	O(1)#3-Cs(1)-O(1)#8	67.118(15)
Cs(1)-O(1)#3	3.150(4)	O(1)#4-Cs(1)-O(1)#8	159.33(5)
Cs(1)-O(1)#4	3.223(4)	O(1)#5-Cs(1)-O(1)#8	134.62(14)
Cs(1)-O(1)#5	3.223(4)	O(1)#6-Cs(1)-O(1)#8	122.06(8)
Cs(1)-O(1)#6	3.223(4)	O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	67.118(16)
Cs(1)-O(1)#8	3.696(4)	O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	60.79(15)
Cs(1)-O(1)#7	3.696(4)	O(1)#3-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	95.40(9)
Cs(1)-O(1)#9	3.696(4)	O(1)#4-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	122.06(8)
Ca(1)-O(1)#10	2.336(5)	O(1)#5-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	159.33(5)
Ca(1)-O(1)#2	2.336(5)	O(1)#6-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	134.62(14)
Ca(1)-O(1)#4	2.336(5)	O(1)#8-Cs(1)-O(1)#7	37.88(11)
Ca(1)-O(1)#11	2.347(5)	O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	95.40(9)
Ca(1)-O(1)	2.347(5)	O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	67.118(15)
Ca(1)-O(1)#12	2.347(5)	O(1)#3-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	60.79(15)
B(1)-O(1)#2	1.386(4)	O(1)#4-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	134.62(14)
B(1)-O(1)	1.386(4)	O(1)#5-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	122.06(8)
B(1)-O(1)#16	1.386(4)	O(1)#6-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	159.33(5)
O(1)-Ca(1)#14	2.336(5)	O(1)#8-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	37.88(11)
O(1)-Cs(1)#17	3.150(4)	O(1)#7-Cs(1)-O(1)#9	37.88(11)
O(1)-Cs(1)#14	3.223(4)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#2	101.18(13)
O(1)-Cs(1)#13	3.696(4)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#4	101.18(13)
O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#2	112.41(7)	O(1)#2-Ca(1)-O(1)#4	101.18(13)
O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#3	112.41(7)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#11	61.62(19)
O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#3	112.41(7)	O(1)#2-Ca(1)-O(1)#11	108.94(2)
O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#4	111.51(10)	O(1)#4-Ca(1)-O(1)#11	147.47(11)
O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#4	68.99(16)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)	147.47(11)
O(1)#3-Cs(1)-O(1)#4	130.56(8)	O(1)#2-Ca(1)-O(1)	61.62(19)
O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#5	130.56(8)	O(1)#4-Ca(1)-O(1)	108.94(2)
O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#5	111.51(10)	O(1)#11-Ca(1)-O(1)	96.23(14)
O(1)#3-Cs(1)-O(1)#5	68.99(16)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	108.94(2)
O(1)#4-Cs(1)-O(1)#5	65.66(12)	O(1)#2-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	147.47(11)
O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#6	68.99(16)	O(1)#4-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	61.62(19)
O(1)#2-Cs(1)-O(1)#6	130.56(8)	O(1)#11-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	96.23(14)
O(1)#3-Cs(1)-O(1)#6	111.51(10)	O(1)-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	96.23(14)
O(1)#4-Cs(1)-O(1)#6	65.66(12)	O(1)#2-B(1)-O(1)	119.93(4)
O(1)#5-Cs(1)-O(1)#6	65.66(12)	O(1)#2-B(1)-O(1)#16	119.93(4)
O(1)#1-Cs(1)-O(1)#8	60.79(15)	O(1)-B(1)-O(1)#16	119.93(4)

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#6 y-1/2,-z+3/2,-x+2 #7 -x+2,y-1/2,-z+3/2

#8 $-y+3/2, -z+1, x-1/2$ #9 $z, x-1, y$ #10 $-y+3/2, -z+2, x-1/2$
#11 z, x, y #12 y, z, x #13 $-x+2, y+1/2, -z+3/2$
#14 $x+1/2, -y+3/2, -z+2$ #15 $-x+1, y+1/2, -z+3/2$
#16 $y+1/2, -z+3/2, -x+2$ #17 $-x+3/2, -y+1, z+1/2$

Table S2b. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) for RbCaBO₃.

Rb(1)-O(1)#1	2.933(4)	O(1)#3-Rb(1)-O(1)	137.76(6)
Rb(1)-O(1)#2	2.933(4)	O(1)#4-Rb(1)-O(1)	67.76(9)
Rb(1)-O(1)#3	2.933(4)	O(1)#1-Rb(1)-O(1)#5	137.76(6)
Rb(1)-O(1)#4	3.129(4)	O(1)#2-Rb(1)-O(1)#5	72.38(11)
Rb(1)-O(1)	3.129(4)	O(1)#3-Rb(1)-O(1)#5	109.24(7)
Rb(1)-O(1)#5	3.129(4)	O(1)#4-Rb(1)-O(1)#5	67.76(9)
Ca(1)-O(1)	2.327(3)	O(1)-Rb(1)-O(1)#5	67.76(9)
Ca(1)-O(1)#1	2.327(4)	O(1)-Ca(1)-O(1)#1	100.66(10)
Ca(1)-O(1)#10	2.327(3)	O(1)-Ca(1)-O(1)#10	100.66(10)
Ca(1)-O(1)#11	2.338(4)	O(1)#1-Ca(1)-O(1)#10	100.66(10)
Ca(1)-O(1)#7	2.338(4)	O(1)-Ca(1)-O(1)#11	62.03(14)
Ca(1)-O(1)#12	2.338(4)	O(1)#1-Ca(1)-O(1)#11	148.13(8)
B(1)-O(1)#11	1.388(3)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#11	108.51(3)
B(1)-O(1)	1.388(3)	O(1)-Ca(1)-O(1)#7	108.51(3)
B(1)-O(1)#14	1.388(3)	O(1)#1-Ca(1)-O(1)#7	62.03(14)
O(1)-Ca(1)#6	2.338(4)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#7	148.13(8)
O(1)-Rb(1)#16	2.933(4)	O(1)#11-Ca(1)-O(1)#7	96.53(10)
O(1)#1-Rb(1)-O(1)#2	109.42(6)	O(1)-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	148.13(8)
O(1)#1-Rb(1)-O(1)#3	109.42(6)	O(1)#1-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	108.51(3)
O(1)#2-Rb(1)-O(1)#3	109.42(6)	O(1)#10-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	62.03(14)
O(1)#1-Rb(1)-O(1)#4	109.24(7)	O(1)#11-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	96.53(10)
O(1)#2-Rb(1)-O(1)#4	137.76(6)	O(1)#7-Ca(1)-O(1)#12	96.53(10)
O(1)#3-Rb(1)-O(1)#4	72.38(11)	O(1)#11-B(1)-O(1)	119.92(4)
O(1)#1-Rb(1)-O(1)	72.38(11)	O(1)#11-B(1)-O(1)#14	119.92(4)
O(1)#2-Rb(1)-O(1)	109.24(7)	O(1)-B(1)-O(1)#14	119.92(4)

#1 $-x+1/2, -y+1, z+1/2$ #2 $-z, x+1/2, -y+1/2$
 #3 $y, z+1, x$ #4 $z+1/2, -x+1/2, -y$ #5 $x+1/2, -y+1/2, -z$
 #6 $y+1/2, -z+1/2, -x$ #7 $-x, y+1/2, -z+1/2$
 #8 $-y+1/2, -z+1, x+1/2$ #9 $z, x+1, y$ #10 $-y+1/2, -z, x+1/2$
 #11 y, z, x #12 z, x, y #13 $-x, y-1/2, -z+1/2$
 #14 $x-1/2, -y+1/2, -z$ #15 $y-1/2, -z+1/2, -x$
 #16 $x-1/2, -y+3/2, -z$ #17 $-x+1/2, -y+1, z-1/2$

Discussion on the structure symmetry of ACaBO_3 (A= Cs, Rb)

ACaBO_3 (A= Cs, Rb) crystalize in the space group $P2_13$, which contains a 3 axis along $\langle 1\ 1\ 1 \rangle$ direction and a 2_1 axis along the c direction. We have discussed the structure symmetry in ACaBO_3 (A= Cs, Rb). The CaO_6 octahedra are connected with three BO_3 units through edge sharing, which is favorable for the symmetry of 3 axis along the diagonal direction. As shown in Fig. S1[†], B(a)O_3 rotates 120° along the $\langle -1\ -1\ -1 \rangle$ axis to overlap B(b)O_3 and then rotates 120° along the $\langle -1\ -1\ 1 \rangle$ axis to overlap B(c)O_3 . There is a 2_1 symmetry along the c axis between B(a)O_3 and B(c)O_3 : B(a)O_3 can rotate 180° along the c axis to overlap B(ac)O_3 and then translates $1/2c$ along the c axis to overlap B(c)O_3 . In addition besides the Ca cation, the compensation effect of the Cs/Rb cation on $[\text{CaBO}_3]^-$ framework is also responsible for the alignment of the BO_3 triangles. Therefore, it may be the synergistic effect of the Ca and Cs/Rb cations that makes BO_3 triangles arranged in the 2_1 symmetry along the c direction and the 3 axis symmetry along the $\langle 1\ 1\ 1 \rangle$ direction, which allows ACaBO_3 (A= Cs, Rb) to crystallize in the cubic space group $P2_13$.

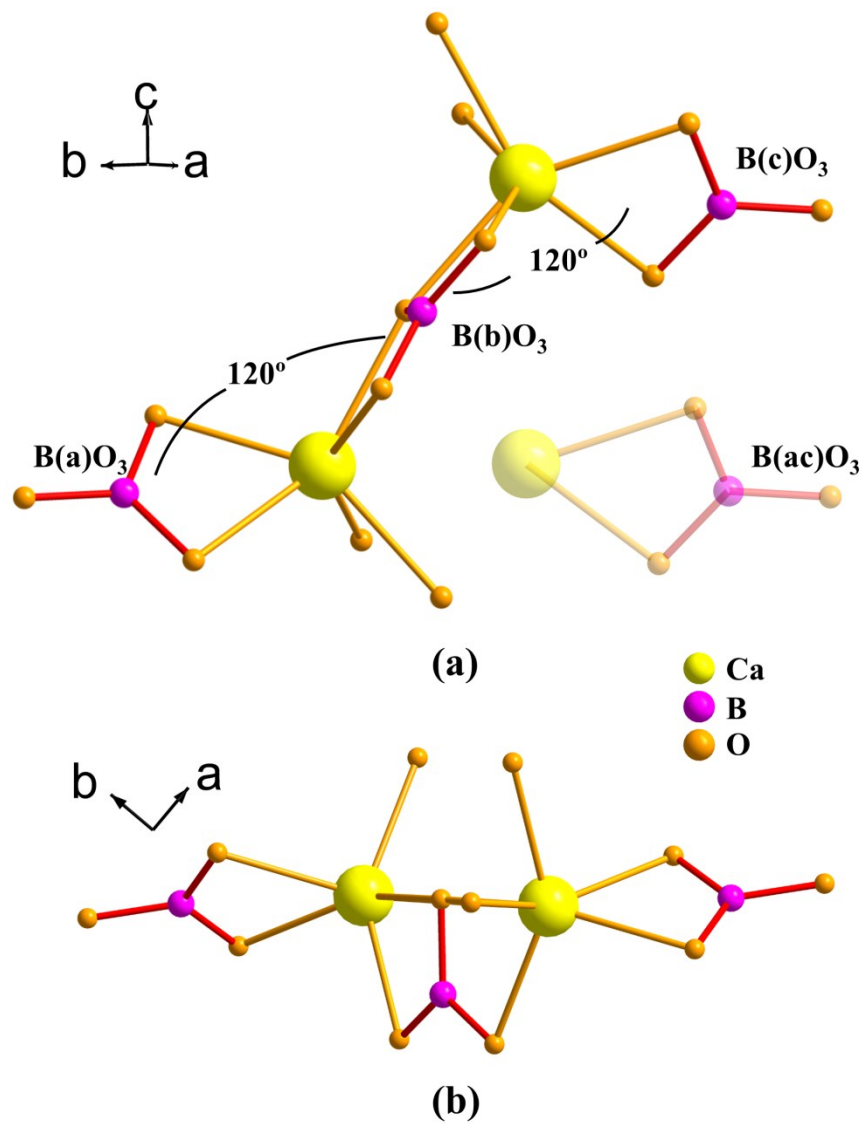


Fig. S1 The symmetry analysis of the BO_3 triangles in ACaBO_3 ($A = \text{Cs, Rb}$)

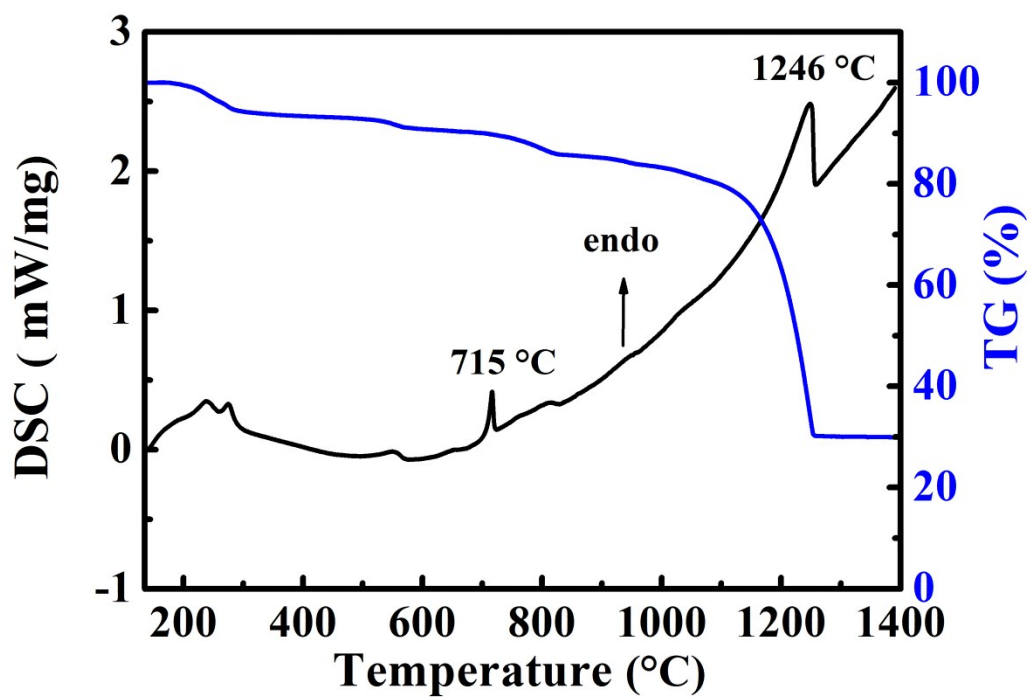


Fig. S2. TG-DSC curves of CsCaBO₃

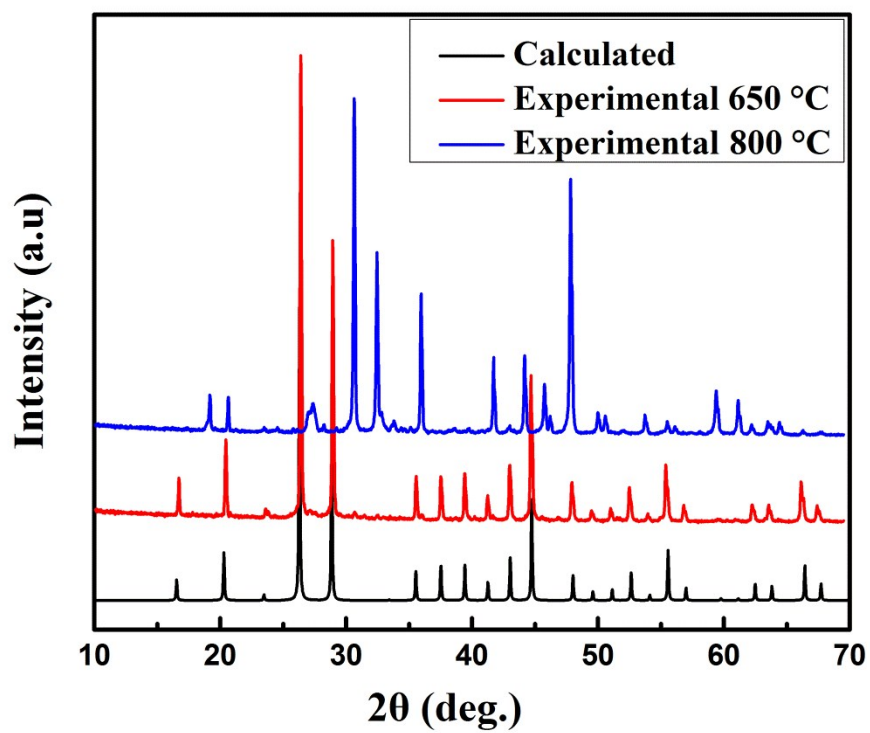


Fig. S3. Experimental and calculated XRD patterns of CsCaBO₃

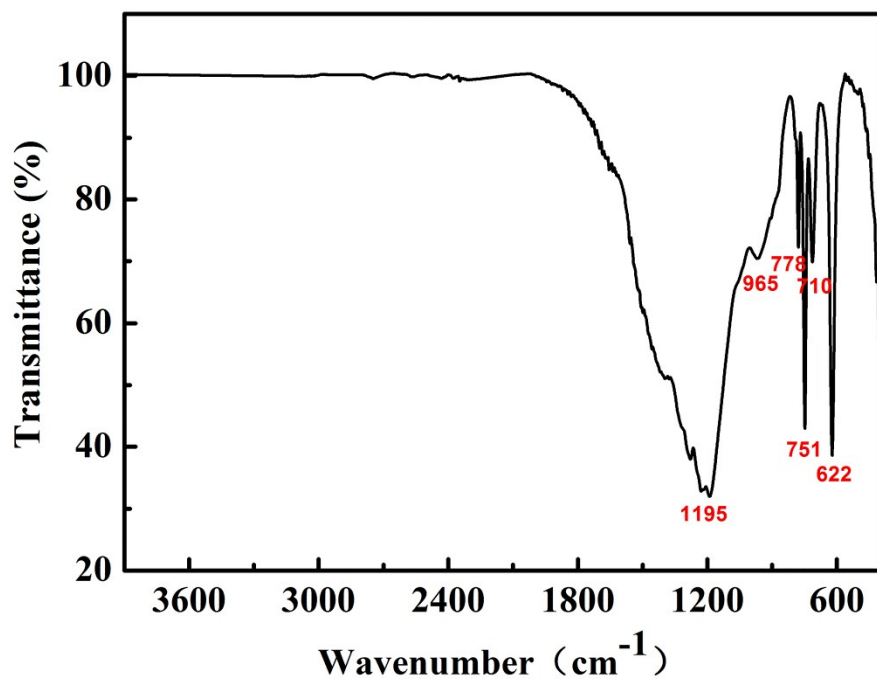


Fig. S4. IR spectra of CsCaBO₃

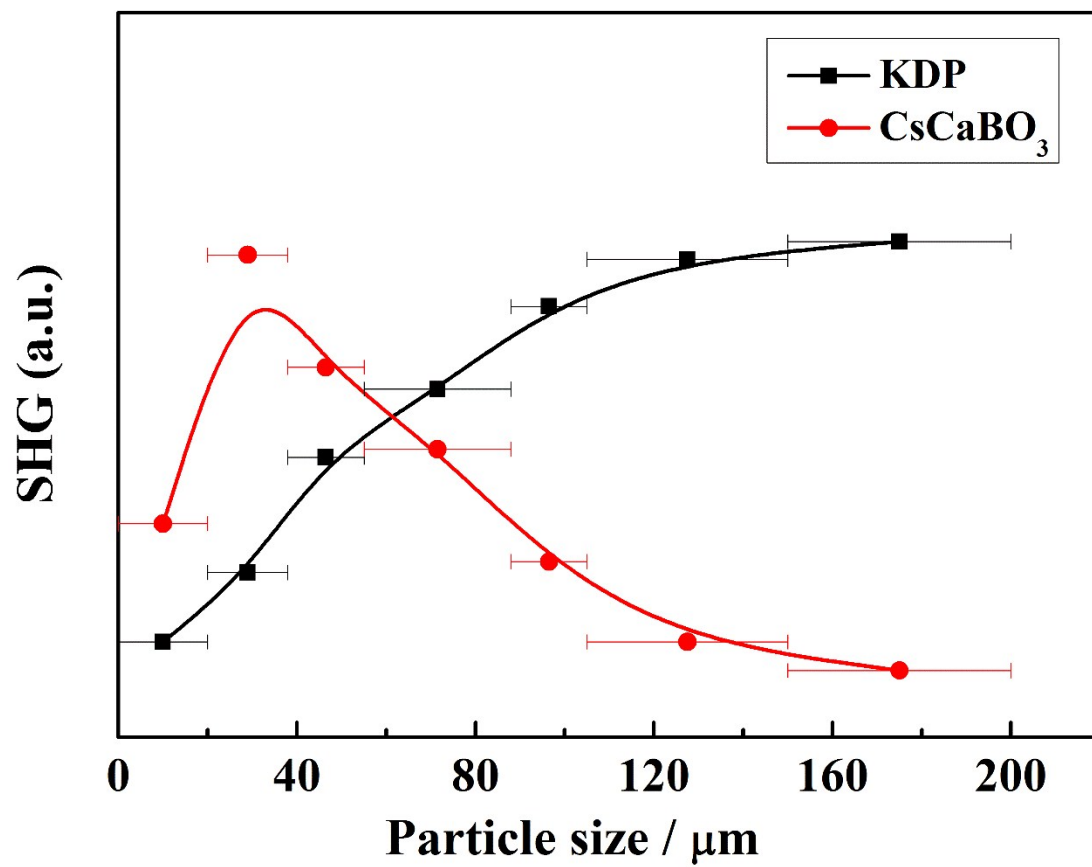
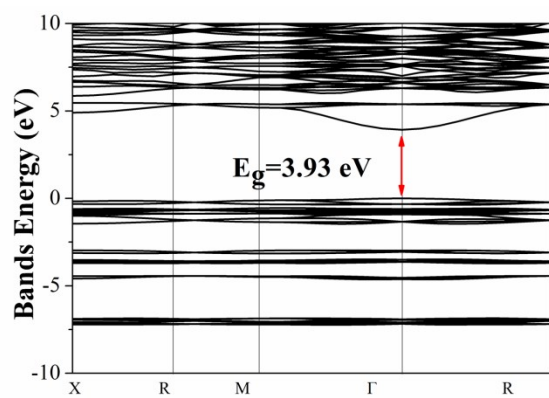
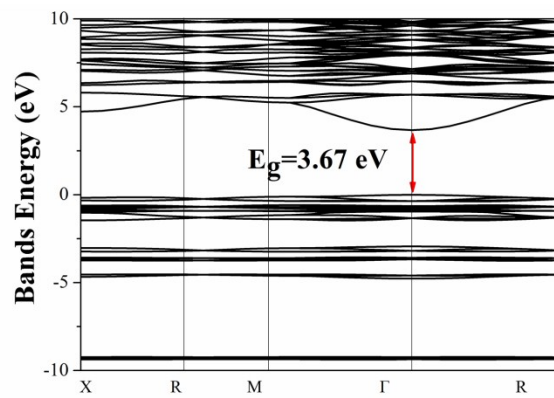


Fig. S5. Phase-matching curves of CsCaBO₃.



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(b)

Fig. S6. Band structures of CsCaBO₃ (a) and RbCaBO₃ (b).