## Supporting Information

## Prominent dielectric transitions in organic-inorganic hybrids: (isoamyl-ammonium $)_{2} \mathrm{CdX}_{4}(\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{Cl}$ and Br$)$

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Fig. S1 Experimental powder diffraction (XRPD) patterns of 1 measured at 298 K matching very well with the simulated ones.


Fig. S2 Experimental powder diffraction (XRPD) patterns of 1 measured at 203 K matching very well with the simulated ones.


Fig. S3 Experimental powder diffraction (XRPD) patterns of $\mathbf{2}$ measured at 298 K matching very well with the simulated ones.


Fig. S4 Infrared (IR) spectra of solid $\mathbf{1}$ in KBr pellet recorded on a Shimadzu model IR-60 spectrometer at room temperature.


Fig. S5 Infrared (IR) spectra of solid $\mathbf{2}$ in KBr pellet recorded on a Shimadzu model IR-60 spectrometer at room temperature.


Fig. S6 TGA curve of $\mathbf{1}$ measured in the temperature range of $25-600^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.


Fig. $\mathbf{S 7}$ TGA curve of $\mathbf{2}$ measured in the temperature range of $25-600^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.


Fig. $\mathbf{S 8}$ The distance of adjacent organic cation in $\mathbf{1}$ (a) and $\mathbf{2}$ (b). Only N atoms were retained for clarity.


Fig. S9 Hydrogen-bonding interactions (red dashed lines) between the organic and inorganic components in 2 at 298 K . The blue dashed lines stand for the mirror plane. Hydrogen atoms bonded to the C atoms were omitted for clarity.


Fig. S10 Perspective view of 1 at 203 K. Hydrogen atoms bonded to the C atoms were omitted for clarity.


Fig. S11 Spatial symmetry operation changes of $\mathbf{1}$ from the HTP (Cmca) to the LTP (Aba2).


Fig. S12 The temperature-dependence of the real part ( $\varepsilon^{\prime}$ ) and dielectric imaginary part ( $\varepsilon^{\prime \prime}$ ) of the polycrystalline sample of 2 at 1000 kHz .

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinements for 1 and 2.

| Compound | $\mathbf{1}$ |  | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $T(\mathrm{~K})$ | 298 | 203 | 298 |
| Formula wt | 430.55 | 430.55 | 608.35 |
| Space group | $C m c a$ | $A b a 2$ | $C m c a$ |
| $a / \AA$ | $7.5775(15)$ | $7.45(3)$ | $8.0554(10)$ |
| $b / \AA$ | $33.673(7)$ | $33.85(17)$ | $33.2382(9)$ |
| $c / \AA$ | $7.6500(15)$ | $7.42(4)$ | $8.0623(5)$ |
| $\beta(\mathrm{deg})$ | 90 | 90 | 90 |
| Volume $\left(\AA^{3}\right)$, | $1952.0(7), 4$ | $1871(16), 4$ | $2158.7(3), 4$ |
| Z |  |  |  |
| $F(000)$ | 872 | 872 | 1160 |
| Collected rflns | 6233 | 7412 | 4805 |
| Unique rflns | 1175 | 2054 | 729 |
| GOF | 1.132 | 1.182 | 1.127 |
| $R_{1}$ | 0.0480 | 0.0969 | 0.1074 |
| $w R_{2}[\mathrm{I}>2 \sigma(\mathrm{I})]$ | 0.1262 | 0.2494 | 0.3026 |

Table S2. Selected bond lengths [ $\AA$ ] and angles $\left[{ }^{\circ}\right]$ for $\mathbf{1}^{\mathrm{a}}$ at 298 K and 203 K .

| 298 K | Cd1-Cl1 | 2.7062(4) | Cd1-Cl2 | 2.554(2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{Cl} 2^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\text {i }}$ | 90.31(5) | Cl2-Cd1-Cl1 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 89.69(5) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cl} 2{ }^{\text {i }} \mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1{ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 90.31(5) | C12-Cd1-Cl1 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 89.69(5) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cl1} 1^{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1^{1 i}$ | 88.856(18) | Cl2 ${ }^{\text {i}}$-Cd1-Cl1 | 89.69(5) |
|  | Cl2-Cd1-Cl1 | 90.31(5) | $\mathrm{Cl1} 1{ }^{\text {ii- }}$ Cd1-Cl1 | 91.144(18) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cl2}{ }^{\text {i }}$ - $\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1^{\text {iii }}$ | 89.69(5) | $\mathrm{Cl} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1^{\text {iii }}$ | 90.31(5) |
|  | Cl1 ${ }^{\text {i}-C d 1-C l 1 ~}{ }^{\text {iii }}$ | 91.144(18) | Cl1-Cd1-Cl1 ${ }^{\text {iii }}$ | 88.856(18) |
| 203 K | Cd1-Cl1 | 2.627(14) | Cd1-Cl2 | 2.563(13) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cl} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1{ }^{\text {iv }}$ | 91.4(2) | $\mathrm{Cl}^{\text {iv }}$ - $\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl1} 1^{\text {iv }}$ | 97.0(2) |
|  | C12-Cd1-Cl1 | 97.0(2) | $\mathrm{Cl} 2{ }^{\text {iv-}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1$ | 91.4(2) |


| $\mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\text {iv}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1$ | 84.6(8) | $\mathrm{Cl} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1^{\text {v }}$ | 88.3(2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Cl} 2{ }^{\text {iv}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1{ }^{\text {v }}$ | 84.1(2) | Cl1-Cd1-Cl1 ${ }^{\text {v }}$ | 88.9(4) |
| $\mathrm{Cl} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1{ }^{\text {vi }}$ | 84.1(2) | $\mathrm{Cl} 2{ }^{\text {iv }}$ - $\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\text {vi }}$ | 88.3(2) |
| $\mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\text {iv }}$-Cd1-Cl1 $1^{\text {vi }}$ | 88.9(4) | Cl1 ${ }^{\mathrm{v}}$ - $\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\text {vi }}$ | 97.5(8) |
| $\begin{aligned} & { }^{\text {a }} \text { Symmetry codes: (i) }-\mathrm{x}+1,-\mathrm{y}+1,-\mathrm{z} \text { (ii) }-\mathrm{x}+3 / 2,-\mathrm{y}+1, \mathrm{z}-1 / 2 \text { (iii) } \mathrm{x}-1 / 2, \mathrm{y},-\mathrm{z}+1 / 2 \text { (iv) }-\mathrm{x}+1,-\mathrm{y}+2, \mathrm{z}(\mathrm{v})- \\ & \mathrm{x}+1 / 2, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}-1 / 2 \text { (vi) } \mathrm{x}+1 / 2,-\mathrm{y}+2, \mathrm{z}-1 / 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |

Table S3. Selected bond lengths $[\AA]$ and angles $\left[{ }^{\circ}\right]$ for $\mathbf{2}^{\mathrm{a}}$ at 298 K .

| 298 K | $\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1$ | $2.8670(6)$ | $\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 2$ | $2.695(3)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $\mathrm{Br} 2^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $91.56(12)$ | $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $88.44(12)$ |
|  | $\mathrm{Br} 2^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $88.44(12)$ | $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $91.56(12)$ |
|  | $\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $90.76(3)$ | $\mathrm{Br}^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | $91.56(12)$ |
|  | $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | $88.44(12)$ | $\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | $89.24(2)$ |
|  | $\mathrm{Br} 2^{\mathrm{i}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1$ | $88.44(12)$ | $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1$ | $91.56(12)$ |
|  | $\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{ii}}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1$ | $89.24(3)$ | $\mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{iii}-\mathrm{Cd} 1-\mathrm{Br} 1}$ | $90.76(3)$ |

${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ Symmetry codes: (i) $-\mathrm{x}+1,-\mathrm{y}+1,-\mathrm{z}$ (ii) $\mathrm{x}-1 / 2, \mathrm{y},-\mathrm{z}+1 / 2$ (iii) $-\mathrm{x}+3 / 2,-\mathrm{y}+1, \mathrm{z}-1 / 2$

Table S4. Hydrogen-Bond Geometry ( $\AA$, deg) for $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ interactions at 298 K and 203 K in $\mathbf{1}^{\mathrm{a}}$.

|  | $\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{D} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 298 K | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 2.94 | $3.406(5)$ | 114.6 |
|  | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{Cl1i}$ | 2.56 | $3.406(5)$ | 158.1 |
|  | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{Cl1} 1 \mathrm{iii}$ | 2.91 | $3.565(6)$ | 132.1 |
|  | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{Cl2} 2 \mathrm{iii}$ | 2.68 | $3.320(7)$ | 129.4 |
| 203 K | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{Cl1}^{\mathrm{iv}}$ | 2.54 | $3.04(3)$ | 116.5 |
|  | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~B} \cdots \mathrm{Cl1}^{\mathrm{v}}$ | 2.67 | $3.52(3)$ | 159.0 |
|  | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{C} \cdots \mathrm{Cl1}{ }^{\text {vi }}$ | 2.52 | $3.39(3)$ | 163.7 |

${ }^{a}$ Symmetry codes: (i) $x-1, y, z$ (ii) $x-1 / 2, y,-z+1 / 2$ (iii) $-x+1 / 2,-y+1, z-1 / 2$ (iv) $-x+1,-y+2, z(v) x+1 / 2,-$ $y+2, z+1 / 2(v i)-x+1 / 2, y, z+1 / 2$

Table S5. Hydrogen-Bond Geometry ( $\AA$, deg) for $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{Br}$ interactions at 298 K in $2{ }^{\text {a }}$.

|  | $\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{D} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{A}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 298 K | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{Br} 1$ | 2.80 | $3.47(7)$ | 132.5 |
|  | $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 \mathrm{~A} \cdots \mathrm{Br} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 2.80 | $3.47(7)$ | 132.5 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Symmetry codes: (i) $\mathrm{x}+1 / 2, \mathrm{y},-\mathrm{z}+1 / 2$

