Supporting material

Laser Effects on Phase Transition for Cubic Sb₂O₃ Microcrystals under High Pressure

Zhilei Sui¹, Shuhe Hu¹, Hao Chen¹, Chan Gao¹, Hao Su¹, Azizur Rahman¹, Rucheng Dai², Zhongping

Wang², Xianxu Zheng³ and Zengming Zhang^{2, 4*}

1 Department of Physics, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui 230026, China

2 The Centre for Physical Experiments, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui

230026, China

3 Institute of Fluid Physics, China Academy of Engineering Physics, Mianyang, Sichuan, 621900,

China

4 Key Laboratory of Strongly-Coupled Quantum Matter Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences,

School of Physical Sciences, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui

230026, China

Corresponding Author: <u>zzm@ustc.edu.cn</u>



S1 Pressure dependence of the Raman modes shifts for α -Sb₂O₃ microcrystal



S2 FWHM of the most intense F_{2g} and A_g modes at different pressures.



S3 Raman spectra of the α -Sb₂O₃ microcrystal in the process of loading pressure



S4 Raman spectra of Sb₂O₃ sample after different irradiation time durations under 4 GPa of 514.5 nm laser.



S5 Raman spectra of Sb₂O₃ sample after different irradiation time durations under 11 GPa of 514.5 nm laser.



S6 Raman spectra of Sb₂O₃ sample after different irradiation time durations under 27 GPa of 514.5 nm laser.



S7 Raman spectra of Sb_2O_3 sample after different irradiation time durations under 27 GPa of 632.8 nm



S8 Raman spectra of Sb_2O_3 sample after different irradiation time durations under 27 GPa of 785 nm laser.



S9 Raman spectra of Sb_2O_3 sample at different temperatures under the pressure of 20 GPa. .



S10 Absorption spectrum of cubic phase Sb_2O_3 at ambient pressure.

Description of Rietveld refinement for XRD patterns:

The crystal structure of the microcrystals was further analyzed by Rietveld refinement using Materials Analysis Using Diffraction (MAUD). Refinement was performed

based on cubic representation of space group $Fd^{3}m$. This structural model allowed us

to reproduce all the observed peaks. The initial Rietveld refinement was done using zero point shift, the unit cell, and background parameters. The background was modeled using a cosine Fourier series, and the peak shapes were described by pseudo-Voigt functions. After a good match, the peak positions were achieved, and the peak profile parameters including the peak symmetry were refined.