## **Supporting Information**

## Probing the combined additions of Ca<sup>2+</sup> and PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup> in yttria stabilized ZrO<sub>2</sub>

## polymorph. Structural, morphological and mechanical analysis

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Supporting information S1 Raman spectra for 10 and 20 mol. % yttria stabilized zirconia with successive  $Ca^{2+}$  and  $PO_4^{3-}$  after heat treatment of 1400°C

Sample Code	Phase	Atoms	Atomic coordinates			Wyckoff Position	U <sub>iso</sub> (Ų)
5ZCP	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> –	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.017(6)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.045(2)
10ZCP	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> –	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.013(4)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.043(2)
15ZCP	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> –	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.158(1)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.044(3)
20ZCP	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> –	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.015(4)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.040(1)
	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> -	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.014(4)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.034(3)
25ZCP	Ca <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Cal	-0.3064	-0.1522	0.1643	18b	0.024(1)
		Ca2	-0.3576	-0.1616	-0.0432	18b	0.009(3)
		Ca3	-0.2114	-0.0920	0.0543	18b	0.017(5)
		Ca4	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0658	6a	0.036(4)
		Ca5	0.0000	0.0000	-0.2709	6a	0.013(2)
		P1	0.0000	0.0000	-0.1297	6a	0.159(1)
		P2	-0.2927	-0.0873	-0.1189	18b	0.046(3)
		P3	-0.3119	-0.1210	-0.2507	18b	0.030(2)
		01	-0.2085	-0.0776	-0.0845	18b	0.089(4)
		02	-0.2678	-0.1605	-0.1448	18b	0.064(4)
		03	-0.2748	0.0869	-0.1559	18b	0.011(2)
		O4	-0.4392	-0.2097	-0.1574	18b	0.030(2)
		05	-0.5353	-0.1197	-0.2041	18b	0.091(4)
		06	-0.4063	-0.3461	-0.2332	18b	0.215(6)
		07	0.1559	-0.0683	-0.1920	18b	0.019(5)
		08	-0.4076	0.0180	-0.2449	18b	0.318(3)
		09	0.0716	-0.0627	-0.0197	18b	0.036(2)
		O10	0.0000	0.0000	0.1503	6a	0.107(6)
30ZCP	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> -	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.019(4)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.042(2)
	Ca <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Cal	-0.2816	-0.1432	0.1629	18b	0.014(3)
		Ca2	-0.3569	-0.1406	-0.0407	18b	0.009(2)
		Ca3	-0.2659	-0.1260	0.0577	18b	0.011(4)
		Ca4	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0718	6a	0.089(5)
		Ca5	0.0000	0.0000	-0.2600	6a	0.042(2)
		P1	0.0000	0.0000	0.0012	6a	0.012(5)
		P2	-0.2978	-0.1237	-0.1319	18b	0.050(3)
		P3	-0.3027	-0.2001	-0.2334	18b	0.014(2)

Supporting information S2 Phase, Atomic position of atoms and isothermal parameters obtained from refinement.

		01	-0.1779	-0.0654	-0.0989	18b	0.063(3)
	_	O2	-0.2530	-0.2481	-0.1428	18b	0.090(8)
	_	O3	-0.2598	0.0809	-0.1603	18b	0.065(2)
	_	O4	-0.4757	-0.2671	-0.1508	18b	0.057(4)
	_	05	-0.4052	-0.0386	-0.2404	18b	0.089(1)
	_	O6	-0.4453	-0.1918	-0.2160	18b	0.011(6)
	_	07	0.0357	-0.1377	-0.1878	18b	0.018(4)
		08	-0.4123	0.2420	-0.2699	18b	0.067(2)
	_	09	0.0386	-0.0967	-0.0303	18b	0.061(1)
	_	O10	0.0000	0.0000	0.0652	6a	0.102(5)
40ZCP	c-ZrO <sub>2</sub> –	Zr	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	4a	0.014(4)
		0	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	8c	0.035(2)
		Cal	-0.2732	-0.1389	0.1678	18b	0.024(7)
	_	Ca2	-0.3817	-0.1740	-0.0318	18b	0.002(4)
	_	Ca3	-0.2713	-0.1422	0.0627	18b	0.019(2)
	_	Ca4	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0827	6a	0.059(6)
	_	Ca5	0.0000	0.0000	-0.2660	6a	0.014(4)
		P1	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0057	6a	0.072(3)
	Ca <sub>3</sub> (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	P2	-0.3150	-0.1430	-0.1325	18b	0.044(2)
		P3	-0.3522	-0.1595	-0.2349	18b	0.108(1)
		01	-0.2635	-0.0847	-0.0878	18b	0.034(5)
		02	-0.2064	-0.1939	-0.1401	18b	0.039(2)
		O3	-0.4736	0.0025	-0.1483	18b	0.018(2)
		O4	-0.4757	-0.2308	-0.1350	18b	0.021(1)
		O5	-0.4002	-0.0422	-0.2177	18b	0.033(5)
		O6	-0.4207	-0.3007	-0.2128	18b	0.013(2)
		07	0.0874	-0.0929	-0.2203	18b	0.031(5)
		08	-0.3642	-0.1697	-0.2706	18b	0.023(6)
		09	0.0037	-0.1447	-0.0163	18b	0.074(3)
		O10	0.0000	0.0000	0.0238	6a	0.054(1)



Supporting information S3 Gray value Vs Distance of TE Micrograph of 5ZCP (Fig7d).





Supporting information S4 EDX spectra recorded from TEM for 5ZCP (S4a) and 40ZCP (S4b) samples after sintering at 1400 °C