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**Two Alkali Calcium Borates Exhibiting Second Harmonic
Generation and Deep-UV Cutoff Edges**

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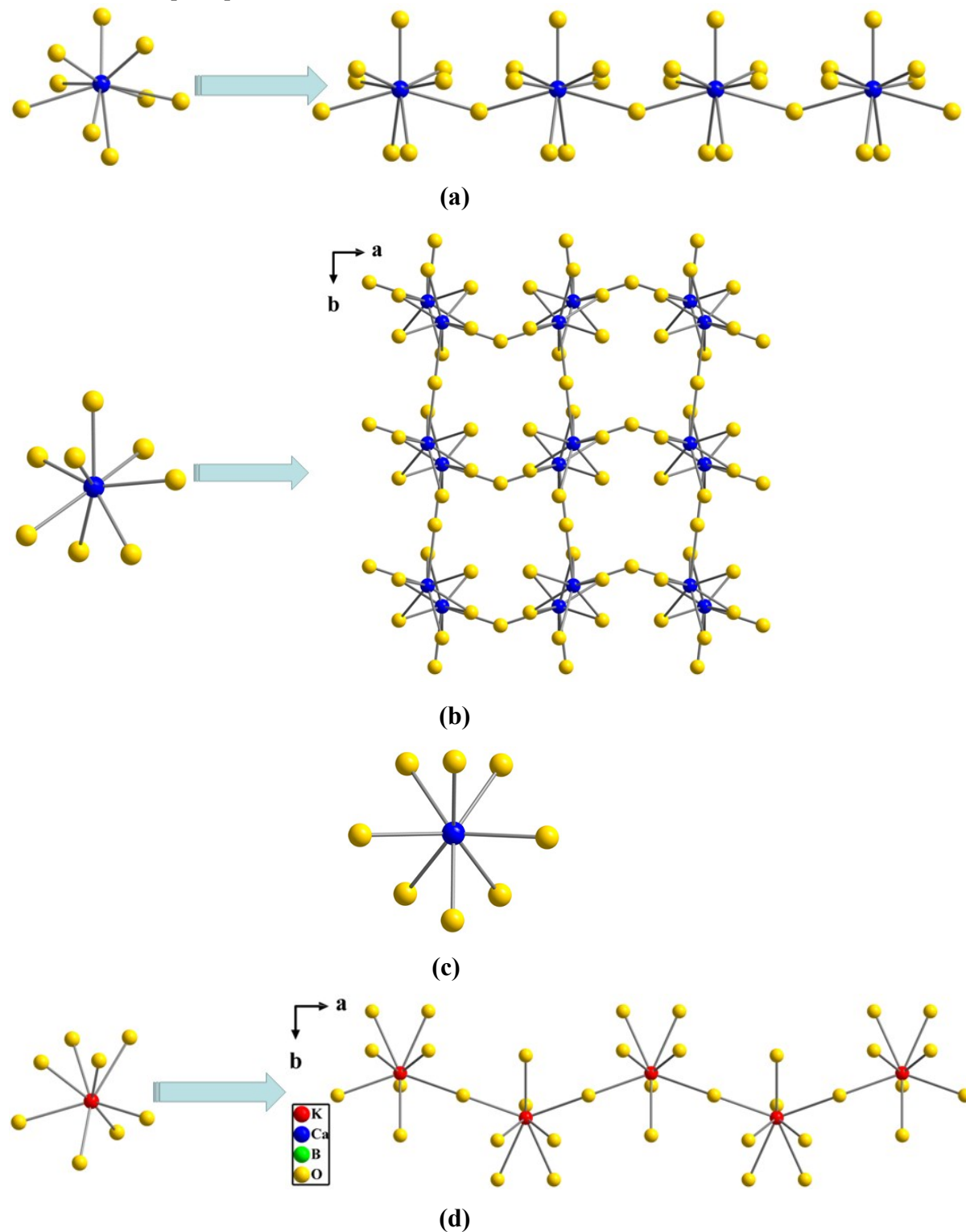


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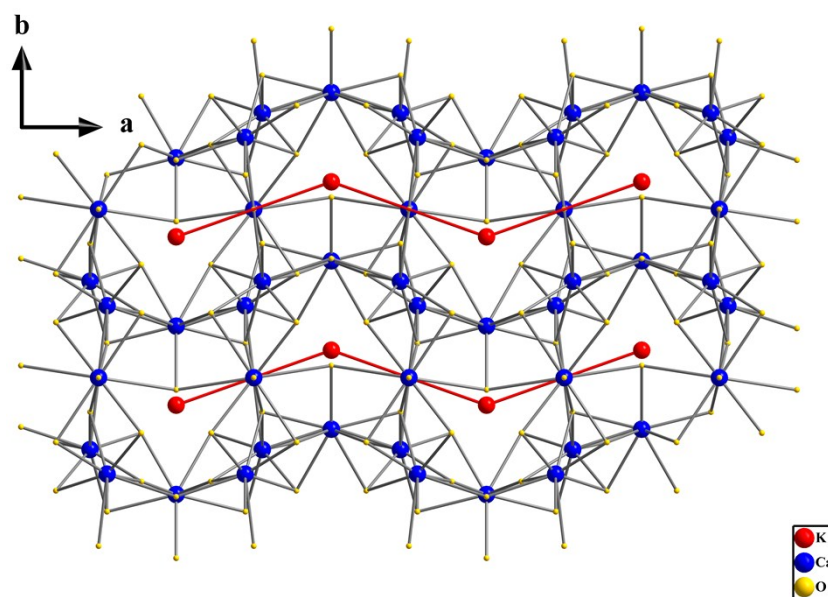


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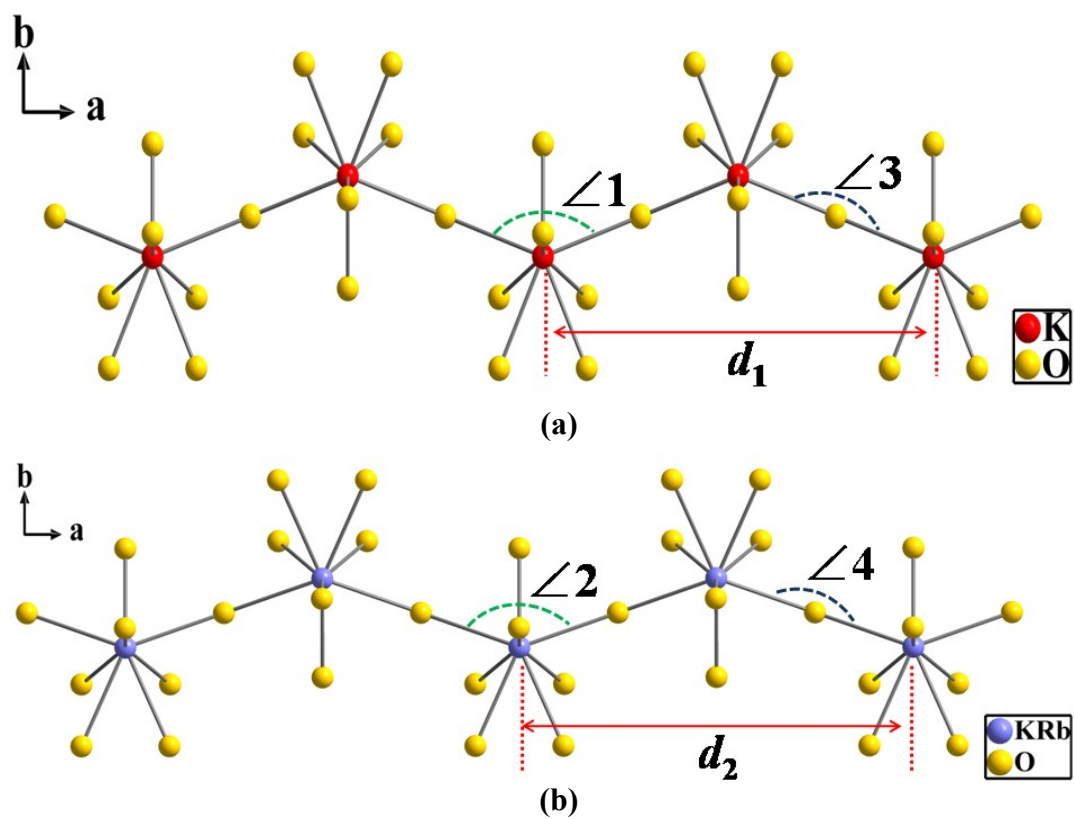
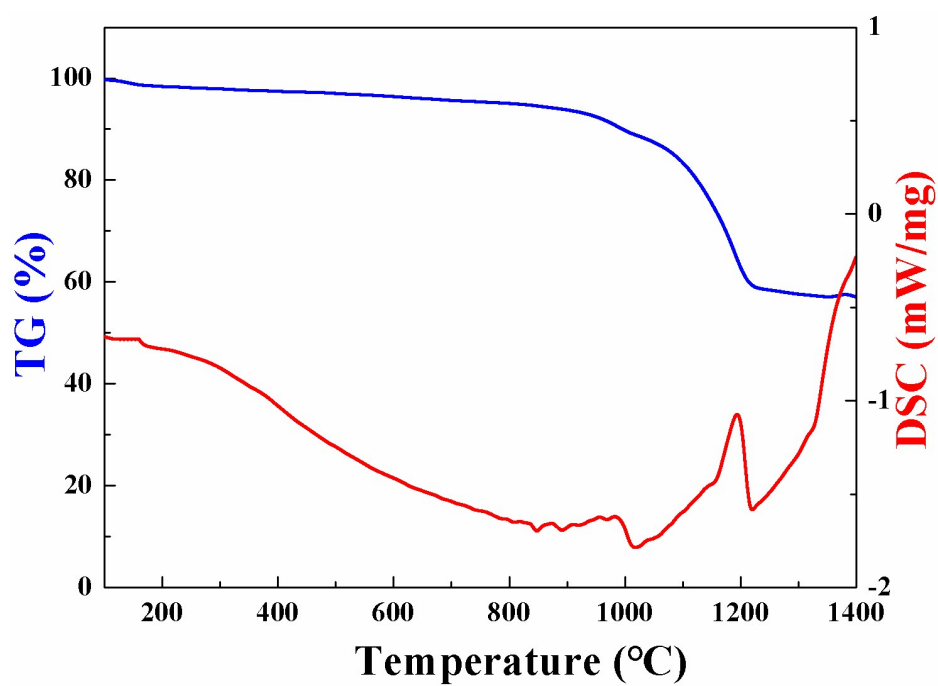
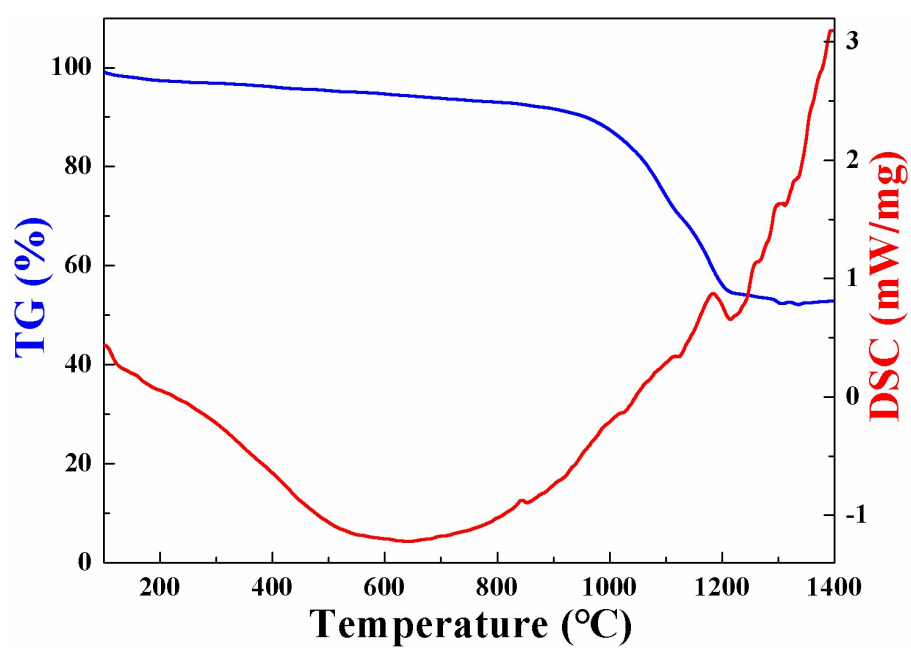


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(a)



(b)

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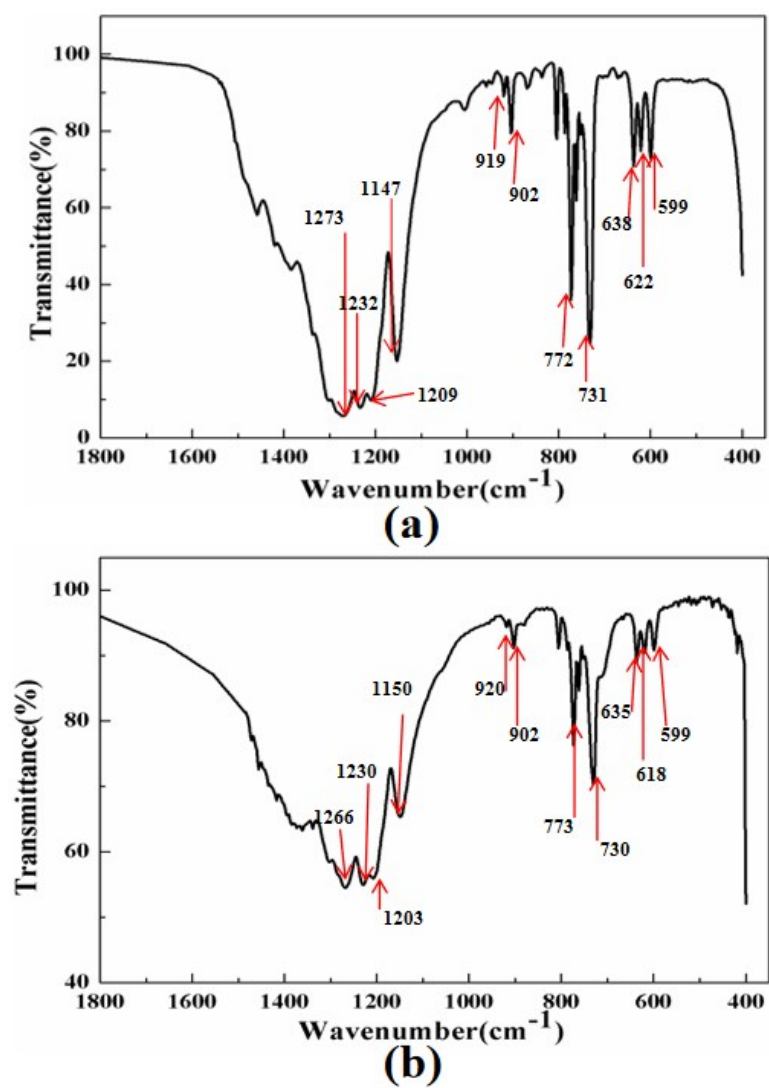
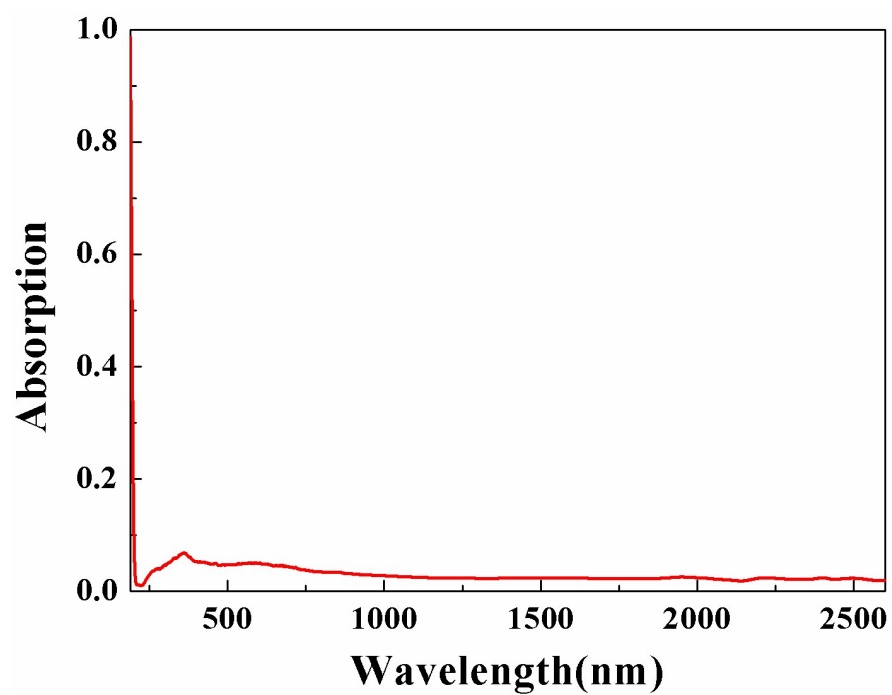
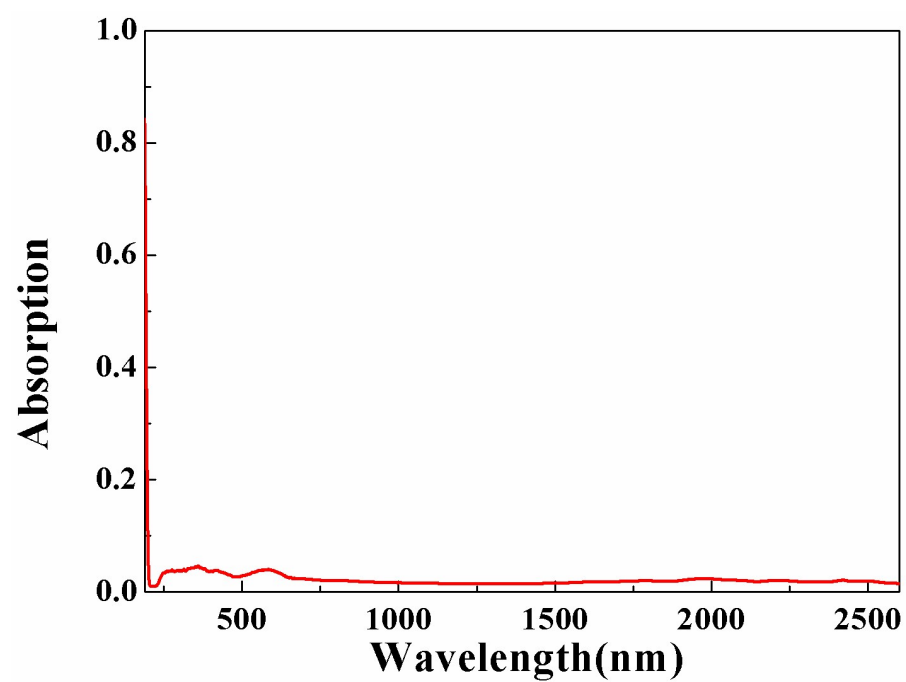


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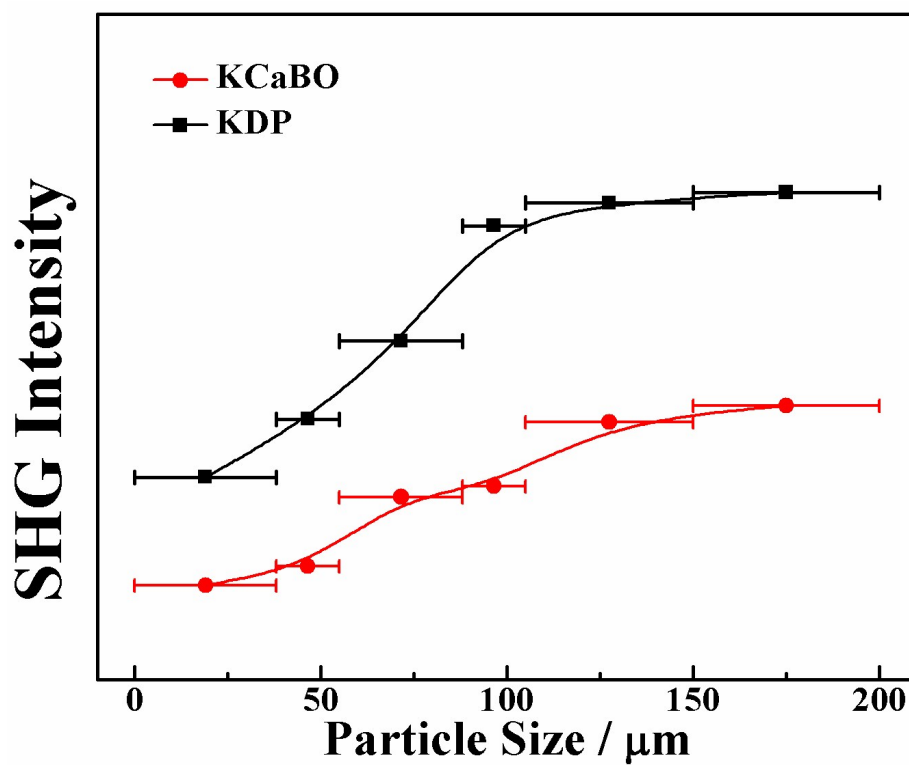


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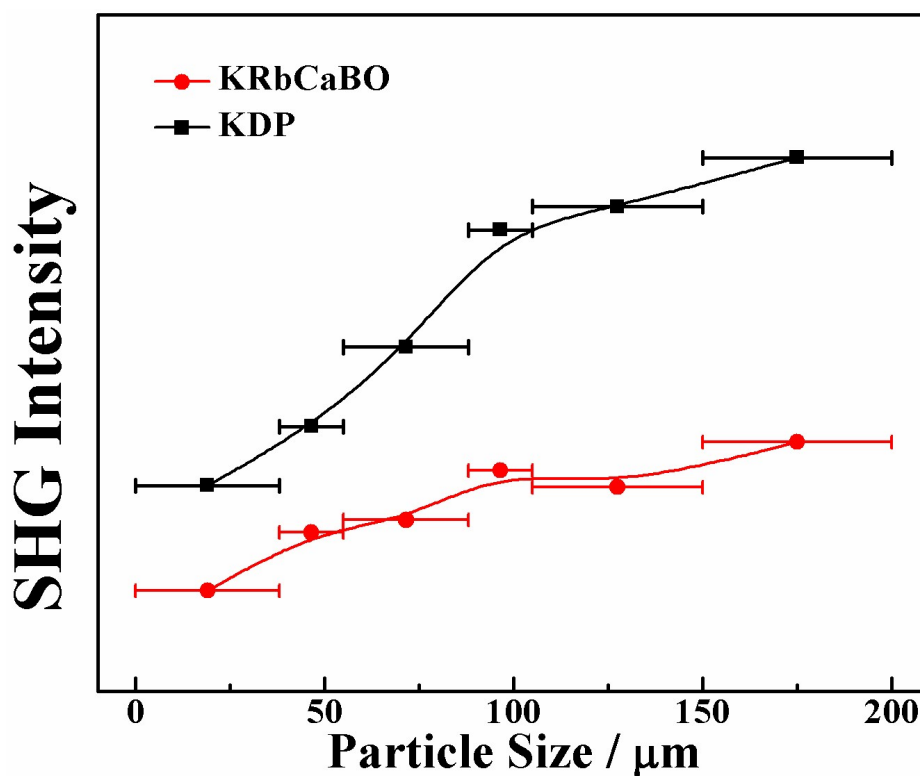


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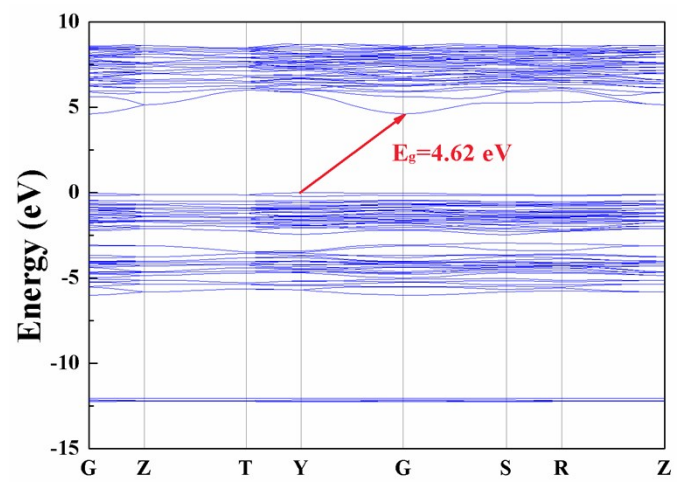


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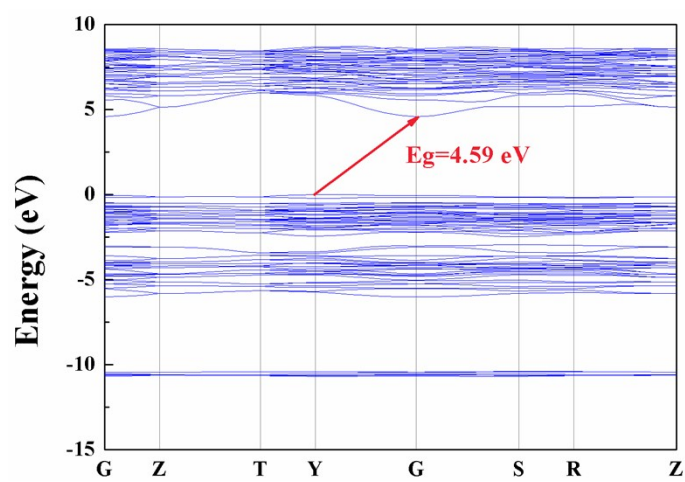


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(b)

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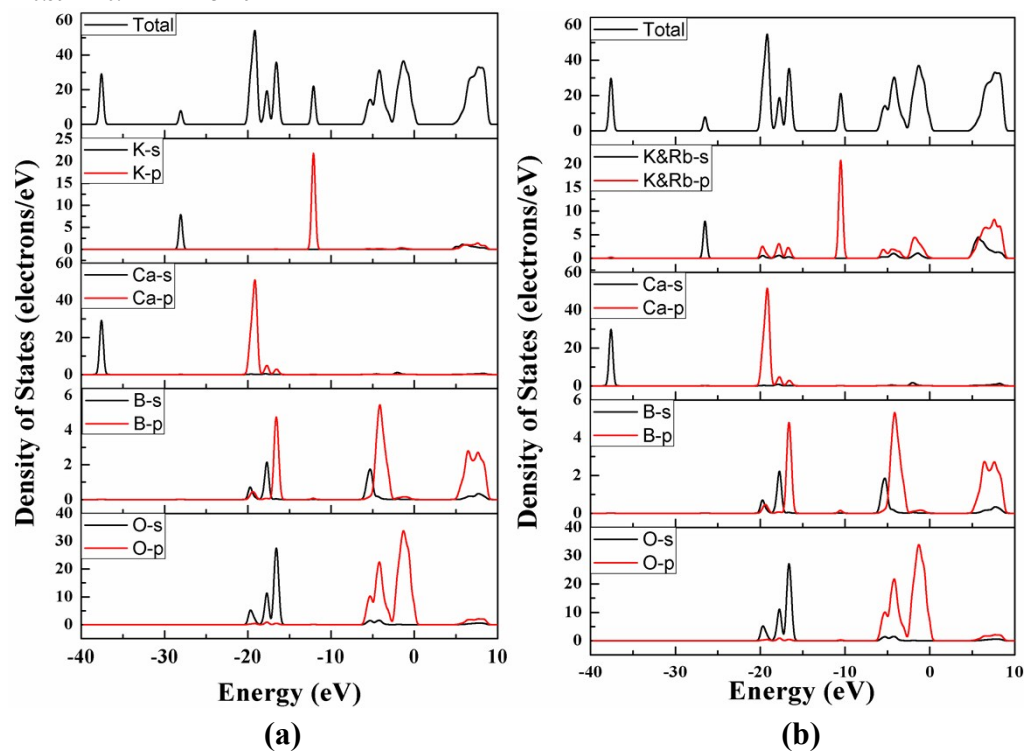
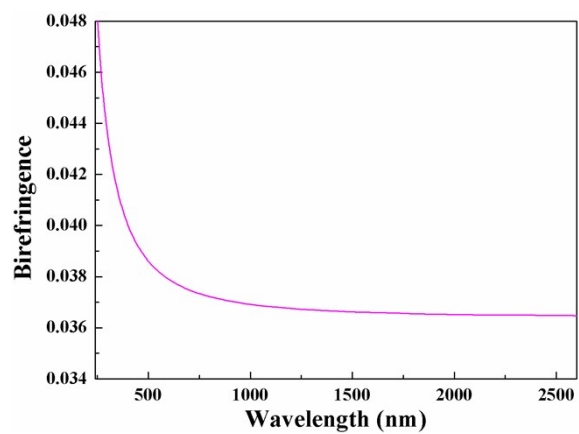
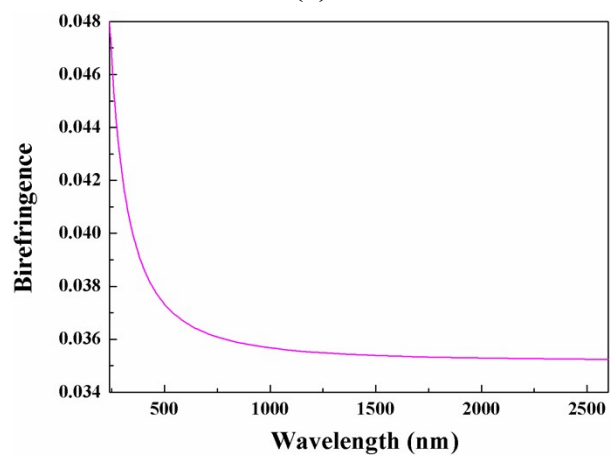


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(a)



(b)

Table S1. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$), equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) and bond valence analyses of $\text{KCa}_4\text{B}_3\text{O}_9$ and $\text{K}_{0.59}\text{Rb}_{0.41}\text{Ca}_4\text{B}_3\text{O}_9$.^{a,b} U_{eq} is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

KCa₄B₃O₉					
Atom	x	y	z	U_{eq}	BVS
K(1)	7500	4184(3)	4177(6)	19(1)	1.12
Ca(1)	5000	5000	-495(5)	13(1)	1.942
Ca(2)	5275(2)	2136(2)	8077(4)	11(1)	2.196
Ca(3)	7500	6530(3)	6758(5)	13(1)	2.105
B(1)	5000	5000	5200(20)	4(3)	2.850
B(2)	7500	3804(16)	9730(30)	19(4)	2.997
B(3)	7500	1803(18)	6030(30)	14(4)	2.873
O(1)	7500	4640(9)	8370(17)	12(2)	1.868
O(2)	5271(6)	6020(7)	6258(12)	10(1)	2.003
O(3)	5000	5000	3090(20)	19(2)	2.157
O(4)	6379(7)	1918(8)	4936(12)	18(2)	2.139
O(5)	6373(7)	3357(7)	10546(12)	15(2)	2.059
O(6)	7500	1463(9)	8055(19)	16(2)	1.965
K_{0.59}Rb_{0.41}Ca₄B₃O₉					
Atom	x	y	z	U_{eq}	BVS
K(1)/Rb(1)	7500	4198(1)	4232(2)	14(1)	1.265
Ca(1)	5000	5000	-514(3)	14(1)	1.907
Ca(2)	5286(1)	7136(1)	3059(2)	10(1)	2.182
Ca(3)	7500	6530(2)	6747(3)	11(1)	2.156
B(1)	5000	5000	5182(14)	7(2)	2.919
B(2)	7500	3789(9)	9735(16)	10(2)	2.896
B(3)	7500	6745(11)	986(15)	14(2)	2.968

O(1)	7500	4658(6)	8357(13)	24(2)	1.825
O(2)	5277(4)	6009(4)	6243(7)	11(1)	2.005
O(3)	5000	5000	3107(11)	14(1)	2.182
O(4)	6383(4)	6902(4)	-89(6)	12(1)	2.164
O(5)	8626(4)	3334(4)	10524(6)	13(1)	2.076
O(6)	7500	6502(5)	3033(11)	12(1)	2.047

^a Bond valences calculated with the program Bond Valence Calculator Version 2.00, Hormillosa, C., Healy, S., Stephen, T. McMaster University (1993).

^b Valence sums calculated with the formula: $S_i = \exp[(R_0 - R_i)/B]$, where S_i = valence of bond "i" and $B = 0.37$. Superscripts indicate the number of equivalent bonds for anions.

Table S2. Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) for $\text{KCa}_4\text{B}_3\text{O}_9$ and $\text{K}_{0.59}\text{Rb}_{0.41}\text{Ca}_4\text{B}_3\text{O}_9$.

KCa₄B₃O₉			
K(1)-O(6)#1	2.718(12)	Ca(2)-O(3)#9	2.471(4)
K(1)-O(1)	2.790(12)	Ca(2)-O(5)#7	2.474(8)
K(1)-O(5)#2	2.822(9)	Ca(2)-O(6)	2.486(5)
K(1)-O(5)#3	2.822(9)	Ca(2)-O(2)#10	2.498(8)
K(1)-O(3)#4	2.903(5)	Ca(3)-O(1)	2.413(11)
K(1)-O(3)	2.903(5)	Ca(3)-O(6)#1	2.421(13)
K(1)-O(4)	2.905(10)	Ca(3)-O(4)#11	2.435(8)
K(1)-O(4)#5	2.905(10)	Ca(3)-O(4)#12	2.435(8)
Ca(1)-O(3)	2.345(14)	Ca(3)-O(2)	2.460(8)
Ca(1)-O(2)#6	2.441(9)	Ca(3)-O(2)#5	2.460(8)
Ca(1)-O(2)#2	2.441(9)	Ca(3)-O(5)#13	2.543(9)
Ca(1)-O(5)#2	2.481(8)	Ca(3)-O(5)#1	2.543(9)
Ca(1)-O(5)#6	2.481(8)	B(1)-O(3)	1.38(2)
Ca(1)-O(4)#7	2.661(9)	B(1)-O(2)	1.389(11)
Ca(1)-O(4)#1	2.661(9)	B(1)-O(2)#10	1.389(11)
Ca(1)-O(1)#6	2.788(5)	B(2)-O(1)	1.31(2)
Ca(1)-O(1)#2	2.788(5)	B(2)-O(5)#5	1.406(14)
Ca(2)-O(4)	2.377(8)	B(2)-O(5)	1.406(14)
Ca(2)-O(4)#8	2.396(9)	B(3)-O(6)	1.38(2)
Ca(2)-O(5)	2.435(8)	B(3)-O(4)	1.396(12)
Ca(2)-O(2)#9	2.443(9)	B(3)-O(4)#5	1.396(12)
O(3)-B(1)-O(2)	119.7(6)	O(5)#5-B(2)-O(5)	116.6(17)
O(3)-B(1)-O(2)#10	119.7(6)	O(6)-B(3)-O(4)	121.3(7)
O(2)-B(1)-O(2)#10	120.6(12)	O(6)-B(3)-O(4)#5	121.3(7)
O(1)-B(2)-O(5)#5	121.6(8)	O(4)-B(3)-O(4)#5	117.0(13)
O(1)-B(2)-O(5)	121.6(8)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

K_{0.59}Rb_{0.41}Ca₄B₃O₉			
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(1)	2.743(9)	Ca(2)-O(6)	2.463(2)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(6)	2.772(6)	Ca(2)-O(5)#8	2.477(4)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(5)#1	2.877(4)	Ca(2)-O(3)	2.4843(18)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(5)#2	2.877(4)	Ca(2)-O(2)#9	2.519(4)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(3)	2.906(2)	Ca(3)-O(1)	2.402(7)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(3)#3	2.906(2)	Ca(3)-O(4)#11	2.419(4)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(4)#4	2.937(5)	Ca(3)-O(4)#12	2.419(4)
K(1)/Rb(1)-O(4)#5	2.937(5)	Ca(3)-O(6)	2.423(7)
Ca(1)-O(3)	2.362(8)	Ca(3)-O(2)	2.459(4)
Ca(1)-O(2)#14	2.432(5)	Ca(3)-O(2)#13	2.459(4)
Ca(1)-O(2)#2	2.432(5)	Ca(3)-O(5)#10	2.530(5)
Ca(1)-O(5)#1	2.508(4)	Ca(3)-O(5)#7	2.530(5)
Ca(1)-O(5)#8	2.508(4)	B(1)-O(3)	1.353(12)
Ca(1)-O(4)#15	2.656(5)	B(1)-O(2)	1.386(6)
Ca(1)-O(4)	2.656(5)	B(1)-O(2)#15	1.386(6)
Ca(1)-O(1)#14	2.783(3)	B(2)-O(1)	1.348(12)
Ca(1)-O(1)#2	2.783(3)	B(2)-O(5)	1.404(7)
Ca(2)-O(4)	2.376(4)	B(2)-O(5)#13	1.404(7)
Ca(2)-O(4)#6	2.415(4)	B(3)-O(6)	1.364(12)
Ca(2)-O(5)#7	2.415(4)	B(3)-O(4)	1.390(7)
Ca(2)-O(2)	2.451(5)	B(3)-O(4)#13	1.390(7)
O(3)-B(1)-O(2)	120.0(4)	O(1)-B(2)-O(5)	121.5(4)
O(3)-B(1)-O(2)#15	120.0(4)	O(1)-B(2)-O(5)#13	121.5(4)
O(2)-B(1)-O(2)#15	120.1(8)	O(5)-B(2)-O(5)#13	116.8(9)
O(6)-B(3)-O(4)	121.4(4)	O(4)-B(3)-O(4)#13	117.2(8)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

Table S3. Dipole moment calculations of $\text{K}_{0.59}\text{Rb}_{0.41}\text{Ca}_4(\text{BO}_3)_3$.

$\text{K}_{0.59}\text{Rb}_{0.41}\text{Ca}_4(\text{BO}_3)_3$					
species	x(a)	y(b)	z(c)	magnitude	
				debye	$\times 10^{-4}$ $\text{esu}\cdot\text{cm}/\text{\AA}^3$
B(1) O_3	0	-0.82	-0.53	0.97	48.64
B(2) O_3	0	-0.20	1.08	1.10	55.20
B(3) O_3	0	0	0.10	0.10	5.02
ΣBO_3	0	0	2.62	2.62	131.03

Table S4. The B-O connection modes of the disorder-free compounds in the system of M-M'-B-O (M = alkali and M' = alkaline metal cations).

ICSD number	compounds	P/Q	Space group	B-O units	B-O framework
433331	K ₂ BaB ₁₆ O ₂₆	0.25	$C222_1$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₁₆ O ₂₆] network
426537	LiBa(B ₉ O ₁₅)	0.33	$R3cH$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₉ O ₁₅] network
93015	LiSr(B ₉ O ₁₅)	0.33	$R3cH$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₉ O ₁₅] network
93014	NaBa(B ₉ O ₁₅)	0.33	$R3cH$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₉ O ₁₅] network
426110	LiBa(B ₉ O ₁₅)	0.33	$R-3cH$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₉ O ₁₅] network
CCDC 1848456	RbBaB ₇ O ₁₂	0.43	$P2_1/c$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₇ O ₁₂] network
241859	KBaB ₅ O ₉	0.6	$P2_1/c$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₅ O ₉] layer
79716	KSr(B ₅ O ₉)	0.6	$P2_1/c$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₅ O ₉] layer
424353	NaBa(B ₅ O ₉)	0.6	$P2_1/c$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₅ O ₉] layer
245570	NaSrB ₅ O ₉	0.6	$P2_1/c$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₅ O ₉] layer
424308	Li ₂ Sr ₄ (B ₁₂ O ₂₃)	0.83	$P2_1/c$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	isolated [B ₂ O ₅] ⁴⁻ , [B ₁₀ O ₁₈] network
61165	Na ₃ Ca(B ₅ O ₁₀)	1	$P-1$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	isolated [B ₅ O ₁₀] ⁵⁻
417958	Na ₃ Ca(B ₅ O ₁₀)	1	$P-1$	BO ₃ , BO ₄	isolated [B ₅ O ₁₀] ⁵⁻

260005	Na ₃ Sr(B ₅ O ₁₀)	1	<i>P</i> -1	BO ₃ , BO ₄	isolated [B ₅ O ₁₀] ⁵⁻
71875	LiBa ₂ (B ₅ O ₁₀)	1	<i>P</i> 12 ₁ / <i>m</i> 1	BO ₃ , BO ₄	[B ₅ O ₁₀] chain
417919	CsBa(B ₃ O ₆)	1	<i>P</i> 321	BO ₃	isolated [B ₃ O ₆] ³⁻ ring
417959	Na ₃ Mg(B ₅ O ₁₀)	1	<i>Pbca</i>	BO ₃ , BO ₄	isolated [B ₅ O ₁₀] ⁵⁻
248201	NaBe(B ₃ O ₆)	1	<i>Pna</i> 2 ₁	BO ₃	[BO ₂] chain
248202	KBe ₂ B ₃ O ₇	1.67	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [B ₃ O ₇] ⁵⁻
248204	K ₃ Be ₆ (B ₃ O ₇) ₃	1.67	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻ , isolated [B ₂ O ₅] ⁴⁻
248203	KBe ₂ B ₃ O ₇	1.67	<i>Pmn</i> 2 ₁	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻ , [BO ₂] chain
248205	RbBe ₂ B ₃ O ₇	1.67	<i>Pmn</i> 2 ₁	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻ , [BO ₂] chain
249341	Na ₂ (BeB ₂ O ₅)	2	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [B ₂ O ₅] ⁴⁻
237764	Na ₂ Be ₄ B ₄ O ₁₁	2.5	<i>P</i> 1	BO ₃	Isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻ , isolated [B ₂ O ₅] ⁴⁻
171422	KCa ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ama</i> 2	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
171423	KSr ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ama</i> 2	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
171421	NaCa ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ama</i> 2	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
Not included	RbSr ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ama</i> 2	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
249567	NaMg(BO ₃)	3	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
80110	NaBa(BO ₃)	3	<i>C</i> 2/ <i>m</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
170861	LiSr ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ia</i> -3 <i>d</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
250195	NaBa ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ia</i> -3 <i>d</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
170862	NaSr ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Ia</i> -3 <i>d</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
427287	LiBe (BO ₃)	3	<i>P</i> -1	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻

250598	Cs ₄ Mg ₄ (BO ₃) ₄	3	<i>P2₁/c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
73218	LiBa(BO ₃)	3	<i>P2₁/c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
172420	NaSrBO ₃	3	<i>P2₁/c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
92842	LiSr(BO ₃)	3	<i>P2₁/c</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
253696	CsCaBO ₃	3	<i>P2₁3</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
174336	KMg(BO ₃)	3	<i>P2₁3</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
253695	RbCaBO ₃	3	<i>P2₁3</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
236575	RbMg(BO ₃)	3	<i>P2₁3</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
99386	LiCa(BO ₃)	3	<i>Pbca</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
190738	CsBe ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Pnma</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
171666	RbBe ₄ (BO ₃) ₃	3	<i>Pnma</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻
99503	Li ₄ Ca(BO ₃) ₂	3	<i>Pnnm</i>	BO ₃	isolated [BO ₃] ³⁻

Table S5. Assignment of absorption peaks in the infrared spectra of the title compounds.

mode description (cm ⁻¹)	KCa ₄ B ₃ O ₉	K _{0.59} Rb _{0.41} Ca ₄ B ₃ O ₉
asymmetric stretching of B ₃ -O	1273, 1232, 1209, 1147	1266, 1230, 1203, 1150
symmetric stretching of B ₃ -O	919, 902	920, 902
out-of-plane bending of B ₃ -O	772, 731	773, 730
in-plane bending of B ₃ -O	638, 622, 599	635, 618, 599