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K₇B₂P₅O₁₉: A Novel Alkali Metal Borophosphate with Zero Dimensional [B₂P₅O₁₉]⁷⁻ Anionic Units†

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Equipment

Powder XRD data were collected on a Bruker D2 PHASER diffractometer with Cu K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$) at room temperature. The 2θ range was 5-70° with a step size of 0.02° and a fixed counting time of 1 s/step. Vibrational spectra were obtained at room temperature via a Shimadzu IR Affinity-1 Fourier transform infrared spectrometer in a range from 400 to 4000 cm^{-1} with a resolution of 4 cm^{-1} (5 mg of the sample, 500 mg of KBr). The UV-Vis-NIR optical diffuse reflectance spectrum was measured at room temperature with a Shimadzu SolidSpec-3700DUV spectrophotometer in the wavelength range 190 – 2600 nm. The reflectance spectrum was converted to absorbance with the Kubelka–Munk function.^{S1} Thermal analysis was carried out on NETZSCH STA 449C instrument at a temperature range of 50 - 900 °C with a heating rate of 10 °C /min in an atmosphere of flowing N₂.

Computational Details

First-principles density functional theory (DFT) electronic structure calculations for the two compounds were performed with the total-energy code CASTEP.^{S2} The exchange-correlation effects were treated with the general gradient approximation (GGA) using Perdew-Burke-Emzerhoff (PBE) functional.^{S3} The interactions between the ionic cores and the electrons were described by the Norm-conserving pseudopotentials.^{S4} The Monkhorst–Pack scheme k -points grid sampling was set at 3×3×2 in the primitive cell of the Brillouin zone (BZ) for the total energy calculations. The plane-wave cutoff energy was set to 750.0 eV, which was proven to be an optimal level of the total energy convergence. The following orbital electrons were treated as valence electrons: K, 3s²3p⁶4s¹, B, 2s²2p¹, P, 3s²3p³, and O, 2s²2p⁴. The other parameters used in the calculations were set by the default values of the CASTEP code.

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Table S1. Atomic Coordinates, Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters (\AA^2) and Bond Valence Sums for $\text{K}_7\text{B}_2\text{P}_5\text{O}_{19}$.

Atom	<i>Wyck.</i>	S.O.F.	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	U_{eq}^a	ΣV
K(1)	2i	1	0.9718(1)	0.6345(1)	-0.1195(1)	0.0034(1)	1.02
K(2)	2i	1	0.9344(1)	0.8618(1)	0.3826(1)	0.0036(1)	0.99
K(3)	2i	1	0.7142(1)	0.0364(1)	0.2065(1)	0.0024(1)	1.23
K(4)	1a	1	1	1	0	0.0033(1)	0.80
K(5)	2i	1	0.4632(1)	0.2425(1)	0.0975(1)	0.0028(1)	1.14
K(6)	2i	1	0.4452(1)	0.6165(1)	0.2029(1)	0.0031(1)	1.21
K(7)	2i	1	0.7508(1)	0.2684(1)	0.5023(1)	0.0038(1)	0.86
K(8)	2i	0.495	0.5623(2)	0.5100(2)	0.4791(2)	0.0035(1)	1.00
B(1)	2i	1	0.7068(4)	0.0161(4)	0.7153(3)	0.0018(1)	3.05
B(2)	2i	1	0.9228(4)	0.2817(4)	0.7967(3)	0.0019(1)	3.08
P(1)	2i	1	0.7729(1)	0.6590(1)	0.1032(1)	0.0020(1)	5.13
P(2)	2i	1	0.3075(1)	0.8505(1)	0.0956(1)	0.0018(1)	4.80
P(3)	2i	1	0.8401(1)	0.4915(1)	0.2851(1)	0.0024(1)	4.95
P(4)	2i	1	0.6550(1)	0.8837(1)	0.4981(1)	0.0020(1)	4.81
P(5)	2i	1	0.2017(1)	0.1997(1)	0.2922(1)	0.0019(1)	4.97
O(1)	2i	1	0.1794(3)	0.7019(2)	0.1354(2)	0.0021(1)	2.00
O(2)	2i	1	0.2265(3)	0.9051(3)	0.0039(2)	0.0026(1)	1.98
O(3)	2i	1	0.3895(2)	0.9677(2)	0.2128(2)	0.0018(1)	2.03
O(4)	2i	1	0.4274(3)	0.8179(3)	0.0660(2)	0.0027(1)	2.08
O(5)	2i	1	0.5165(3)	0.7476(3)	0.4256(2)	0.0033(1)	2.15
O(6)	2i	1	0.7342(4)	0.7668(3)	0.1523(3)	0.0046(1)	1.96
O(7)	2i	1	0.9518(3)	0.7289(3)	0.1172(3)	0.0040(1)	2.10
O(8)	2i	1	0.6942(4)	0.5966(5)	-0.0202(3)	0.0072(1)	1.96
O(9)	2i	1	0.7315(3)	0.5249(4)	0.1813(3)	0.0065(1)	2.17
O(10)	2i	1	0.2467(3)	0.0947(3)	0.2320(2)	0.0028(1)	2.10
O(11)	2i	1	0.2239(3)	0.1664(3)	0.4278(2)	0.0027(1)	2.20
O(12)	2i	1	0.3117(4)	0.3595(3)	0.2892(3)	0.0052(1)	2.17
O(13)	2i	1	0.0330(3)	0.1475(4)	0.2469(3)	0.0043(1)	1.95
O(14)	2i	1	0.7577(3)	0.0054(3)	0.4361(2)	0.0029(1)	1.95
O(15)	2i	1	0.8391(3)	0.1561(3)	0.7066(2)	0.0027(1)	2.07
O(16)	2i	1	0.6040(3)	0.9427(2)	0.5956(2)	0.0021(1)	1.99
O(17)	2i	1	0.8439(5)	0.5595(4)	0.3983(3)	0.0072(1)	1.81
O(18)	2i	1	0.0044(3)	0.5746(3)	0.2540(2)	0.0026(1)	2.09
O(19)	2i	1	0.7768(3)	0.3271(3)	0.2675(2)	0.0032(1)	1.99

Table S2. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Angles (deg) for $K_7B_2P_5O_{19}$.

K(1)-O(13)#1	2.712(3)	K(7)-O(14)	2.811(3)
K(1)-O(18)#1	2.754(3)	K(7)-O(15)	2.834(3)
K(1)-O(2)#2	2.793(3)	K(7)-O(19)	2.858(3)
K(1)-O(7)	2.989(3)	K(7)-O(5)#10	2.888(3)
K(1)-O(1)#3	2.993(2)	K(7)-O(17)	3.014(4)
K(1)-O(8)	3.073(4)	K(7)-O(16)#10	3.073(2)
K(1)-O(1)#2	3.121(3)	K(7)-O(18)#13	3.154(3)
K(1)-O(12)#1	3.143(3)	K(7)-O(16)	3.234(2)
K(1)-O(19)#1	3.204(3)		
		K(8)-O(5)#12	2.689(3)
K(2)-O(15)#5	2.750(3)	K(8)-O(5)	2.733(3)
K(2)-O(17)#6	2.785(3)	K(8)-O(12)#11	2.740(4)
K(2)-O(6)	2.842(3)	K(8)-O(12)#5	2.754(4)
K(2)-O(11)#5	2.913(3)	K(8)-O(17)#6	2.960(4)
K(2)-O(14)	2.920(3)	K(8)-O(11)#5	2.965(3)
K(2)-O(11)	2.997(3)		
K(2)-O(14)#5	3.011(3)	B(1)-O(15)	1.428(4)
K(2)-O(13)	3.164(3)	B(1)-O(3)#10	1.459(4)
		B(1)-O(16)	1.491(4)
K(3)-O(2)#7	2.658(2)	B(1)-O(10)#5	1.511(4)
K(3)-O(14)	2.683(3)		
K(3)-O(13)	2.747(3)	B(2)-O(15)	1.420(5)
K(3)-O(19)	2.764(3)	B(2)-O(1)#10	1.477(4)
K(3)-O(4)	2.777(3)	B(2)-O(18)#13	1.485(4)
K(3)-O(6)	2.916(3)	B(2)-O(7)#5	1.490(5)
K(3)-O(3)	2.986(2)		
		P(1)-O(8)	1.462(3)
K(4)-O(2)#7	2.847(2)	P(1)-O(6)	1.469(3)
K(4)-O(2)#2	2.847(2)	P(1)-O(7)	1.543(3)
K(4)-O(7)#1	2.979(2)	P(1)-O(9)	1.590(3)
K(4)-O(7)	2.979(2)		
K(4)-O(10)	3.051(3)	P(2)-O(4)	1.484(2)
K(4)-O(10)#1	3.051(3)	P(2)-O(2)	1.490(3)
K(4)-O(13)	3.113(3)	P(2)-O(3)	1.590(2)
K(4)-O(13)#1	3.113(3)	P(2)-O(1)	1.597(2)
K(5)-O(4)#7	2.582(3)	P(3)-O(17)	1.468(3)
K(5)-O(10)#8	2.781(3)	P(3)-O(19)	1.472(2)
K(5)-O(9)#9	2.803(3)	P(3)-O(18)	1.567(2)
K(5)-O(8)#7	2.816(4)	P(3)-O(9)#9	1.615(3)
K(5)-O(3)	2.960(2)		
K(5)-O(19)	3.058(3)	P(4)-O(5)	1.483(3)

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K(5)-O(2)	3.102(3)	P(4)-O(14)	1.491(3)
K(5)-O(6)#7	3.152(3)	P(4)-O(16)	1.556(2)
K(5)-O(12)#8	3.424(4)	P(4)-O(11)#5	1.632(3)
K(6)-O(12)#11	2.634(3)	P(5)-O(12)	1.469(3)
K(6)-O(8)#3	2.637(3)	P(5)-O(13)	1.473(3)
K(6)-O(4)	2.678(3)	P(5)-O(10)	1.550(2)
K(6)-O(5)	2.700(3)	P(5)-O(11)	1.623(3)
K(6)-O(6)	2.736(3)		
K(6)-O(1)	3.134(2)	O(17)-P(3)-O(19)	117.66(18)
		O(17)-P(3)-O(18)	111.44(19)
O(15)-B(1)-O(3)#10	113.5(3)	O(19)-P(3)-O(18)	110.06(15)
O(15)-B(1)-O(16)	109.7(3)	O(17)-P(3)-O(9)#9	108.6(2)
O(3)#10-B(1)-O(16)	107.6(3)	O(19)-P(3)-O(9)#9	105.60(18)
O(15)-B(1)-O(10)#5	112.8(3)	O(18)-P(3)-O(9)#9	102.16(14)
O(3)#10-B(1)-O(10)#5	106.2(3)		
O(16)-B(1)-O(10)#5	106.7(3)	O(5)-P(4)-O(14)	118.10(16)
		O(5)-P(4)-O(16)	109.46(15)
O(15)-B(2)-O(1)#10	112.9(3)	O(14)-P(4)-O(16)	113.41(14)
O(15)-B(2)-O(18)#13	110.9(3)	O(5)-P(4)-O(11)#5	108.61(15)
O(1)#10-B(2)-O(18)#13	104.9(3)	O(14)-P(4)-O(11)#5	102.36(15)
O(15)-B(2)-O(7)#5	111.9(3)	O(16)-P(4)-O(11)#5	103.53(13)
O(1)#10-B(2)-O(7)#5	107.0(3)		
O(18)#13-B(2)-O(7)#5	108.9(3)	O(12)-P(5)-O(13)	116.85(19)
		O(12)-P(5)-O(10)	111.50(18)
O(8)-P(1)-O(6)	115.2(2)	O(13)-P(5)-O(10)	109.75(16)
O(8)-P(1)-O(7)	108.5(2)	O(12)-P(5)-O(11)	108.45(16)
O(6)-P(1)-O(7)	111.38(18)	O(13)-P(5)-O(11)	106.55(16)
O(8)-P(1)-O(9)	109.3(2)	O(10)-P(5)-O(11)	102.65(13)
O(6)-P(1)-O(9)	108.5(2)		
O(7)-P(1)-O(9)	103.42(15)		
O(4)-P(2)-O(2)	117.85(15)		
O(4)-P(2)-O(3)	107.29(14)		
O(2)-P(2)-O(3)	110.09(13)		
O(4)-P(2)-O(1)	107.93(13)		
O(2)-P(2)-O(1)	109.36(13)		
O(3)-P(2)-O(1)	103.33(12)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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

Table S3. Structure Table for the Known Borophosphates Containing P-O-P Connection.

compound	space group	FBU	anionic partial structures	ref
Cs ₂ Cr ₃ (BP ₄ O ₁₄)(P ₄ O ₁₃)	<i>P2₁/c</i>	[B(P ₂ O ₇) ₂] ⁵⁻	[B(P ₂ O ₇) ₂] _n ⁵ⁿ⁻ chains (1D)	5
CsFeBP ₃ O ₁₁	<i>Pnma</i>	[B(PO ₄)(P ₂ O ₇)] ⁴⁻	[BP ₃ O ₁₁] _n ⁴ⁿ⁻ framework (3D)	5
Li ₂ Cs ₂ B ₂ P ₄ O ₁₅	<i>P</i>	[B ₄ P ₈ O ₃₀] ⁸⁻	[B ₂ P ₄ O ₁₅] _n ⁴ⁿ⁻ layer (2D)	6
Li ₃ K ₂ BP ₄ O ₁₄	<i>Cmca</i>	[B(P ₂ O ₇) ₂] ⁵⁻	[B(P ₂ O ₇) ₂] _n ⁵ⁿ⁻ layer (2D)	6
Li ₃ Rb ₂ BP ₄ O ₁₄	<i>Cmca</i>	[B(P ₂ O ₇) ₂] ⁵⁻	[B(P ₂ O ₇) ₂] _n ⁵ⁿ⁻ layer (2D)	6

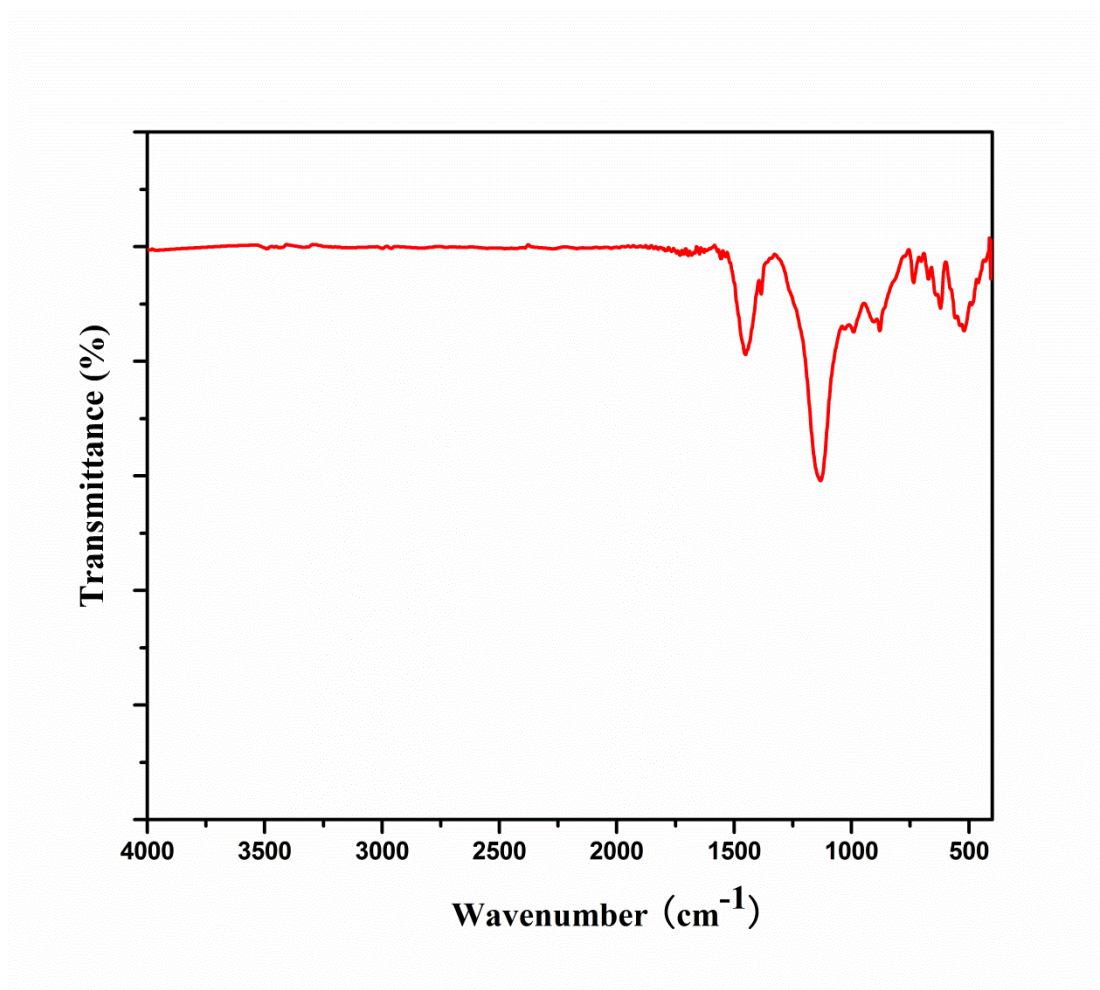


Figure S1. IR spectroscopy of $K_7B_2P_5O_{19}$.

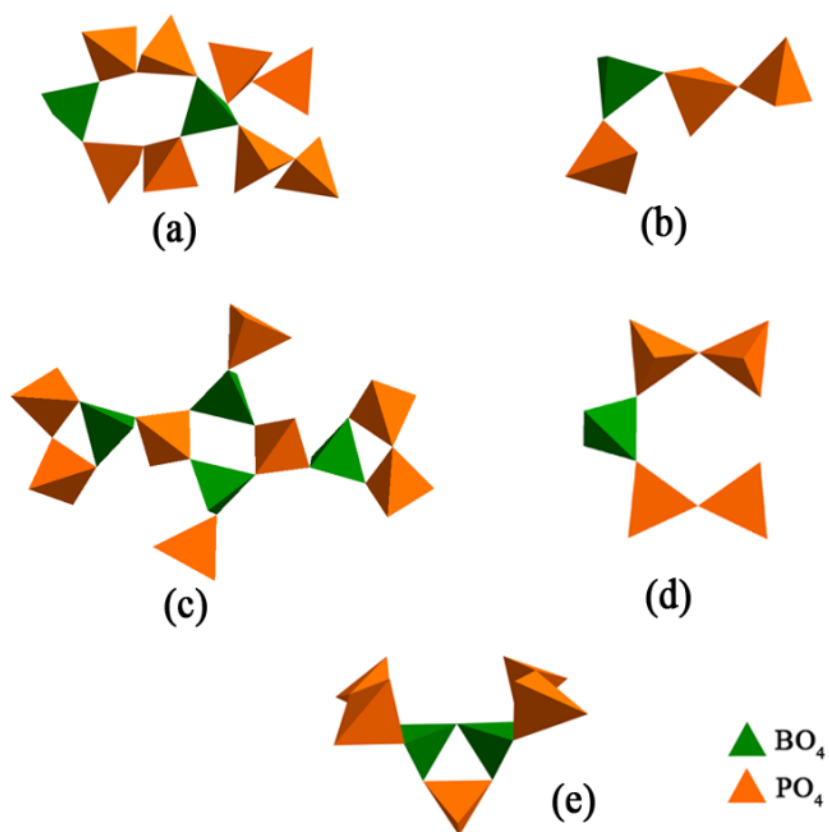


Figure S2. View of four different kinds of FBUs with P-O-P connections: (a) $[\text{B}(\text{P}_2\text{O}_7)_2]^{5-}$ unit with B:P=1:4; (b) $[\text{B}(\text{PO}_4)(\text{P}_2\text{O}_7)]^{4-}$ unit with B:P =1:3; (c) $[\text{B}_4\text{P}_8\text{O}_{30}]^{8-}$ unit with B:P = 1:2 (d) another kind of $[\text{B}(\text{P}_2\text{O}_7)_2]^{5-}$ unit with B:P=1:4 and (e) $[\text{B}_2\text{P}_5\text{O}_{19}]^{7-}$ unit with B:P =2:5.

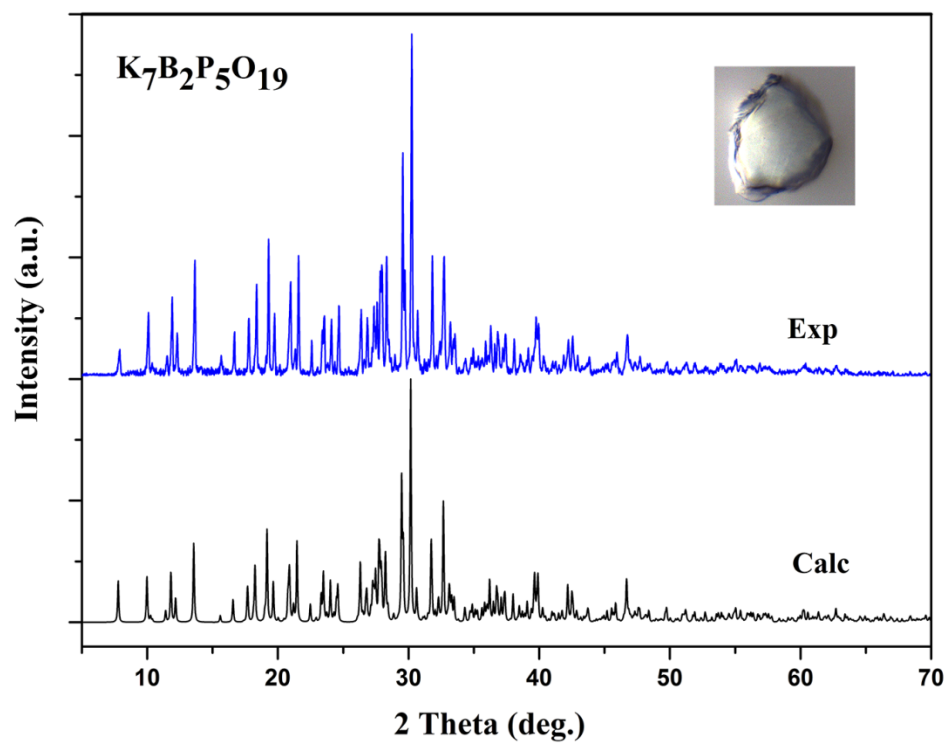


Figure S3. Powder XRD pattern of $K_7B_2P_5O_{19}$ (the inner figure shows the crystal for single crystal determination).

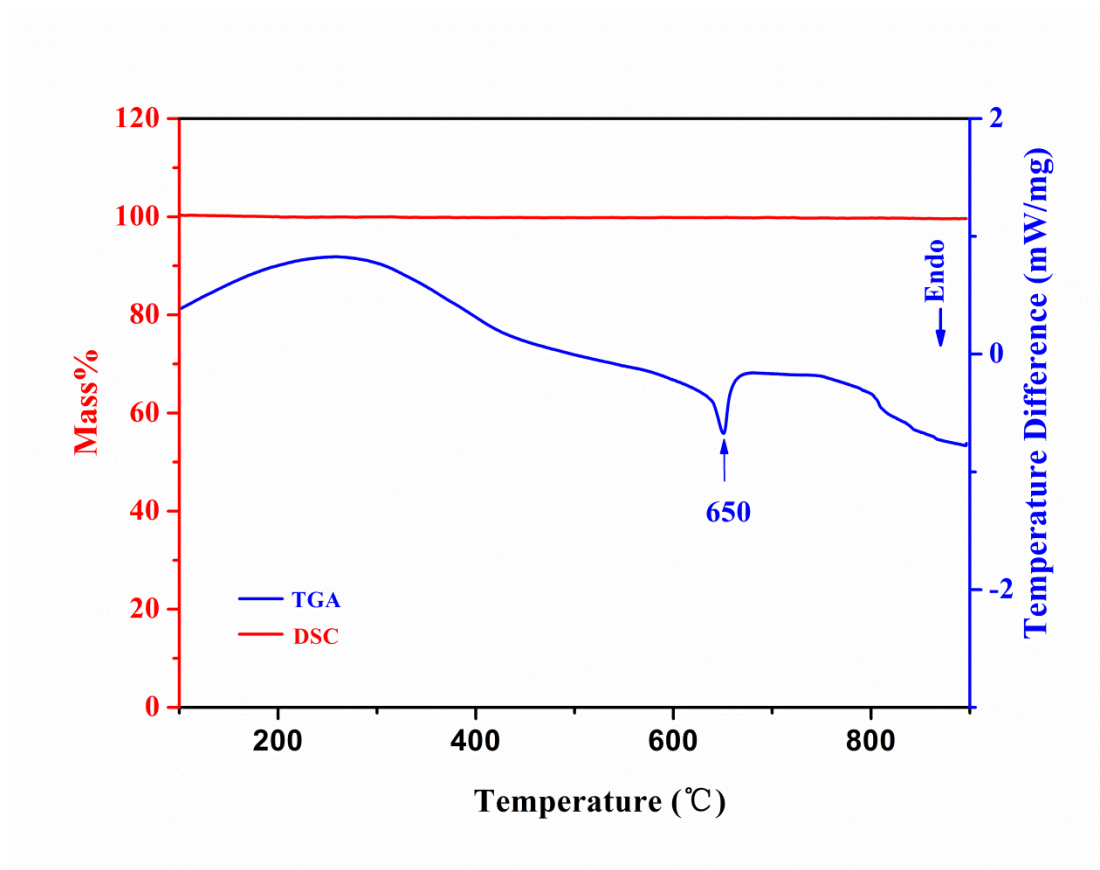


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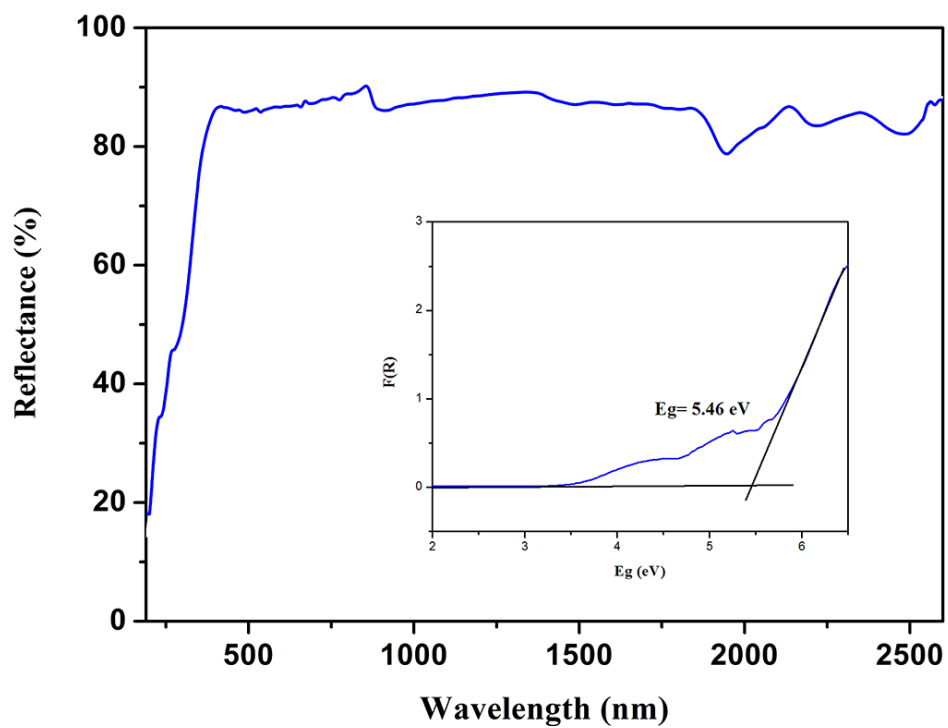


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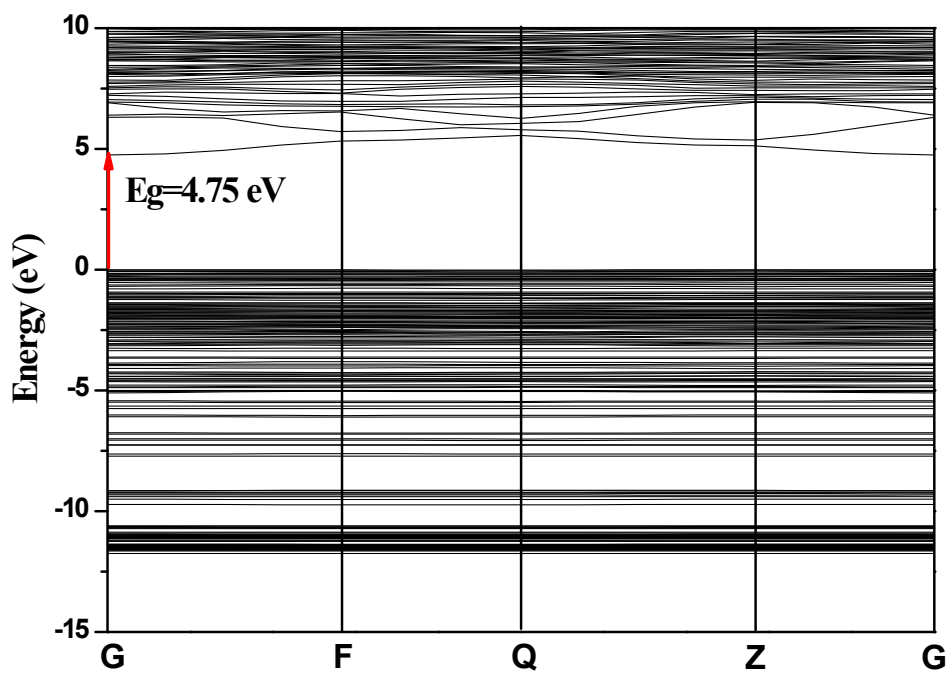


Figure S6. Band structure of $K_7B_2P_5O_{19}$.

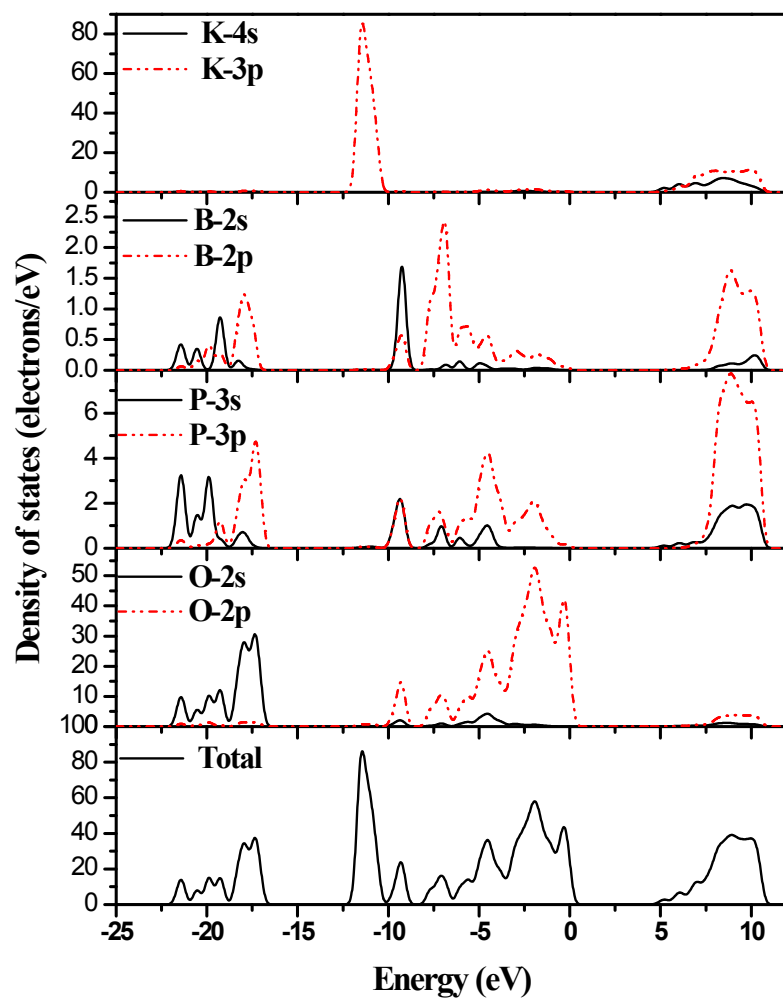


Figure S7. Density of states of $K_7B_2P_5O_{19}$.