

**Supplementary Information to
Visible-light Photovoltaic effect in High-Temperature Ferroelectric
 BaFe_4O_7**

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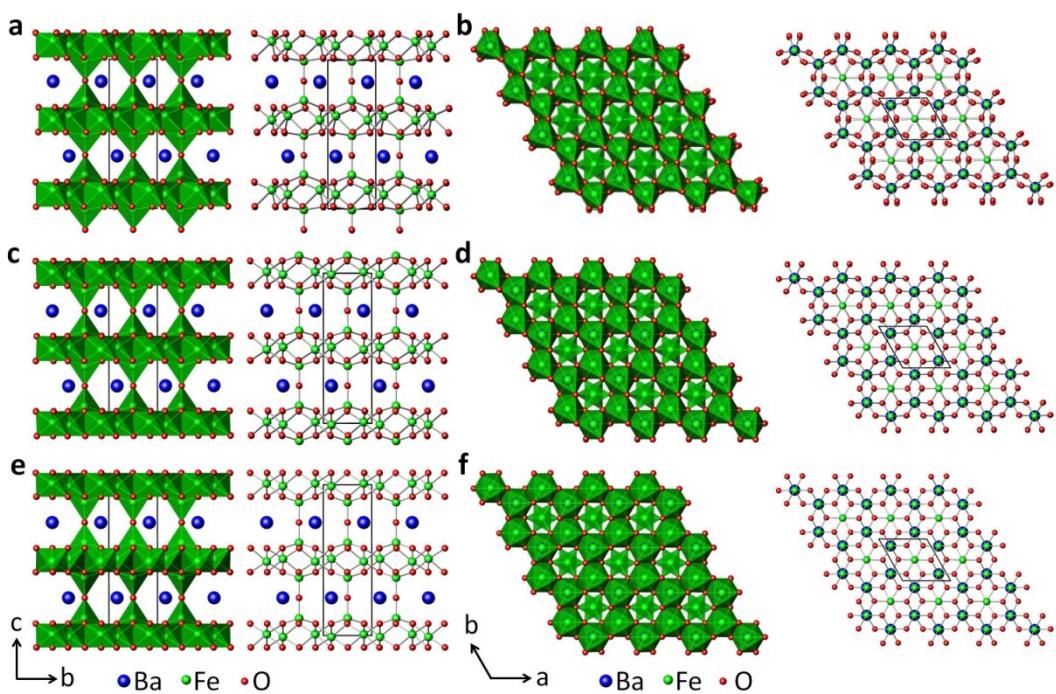


Fig. S1. Schematic polyhedral and ball-and-stick structure models of BiFe_4O_7 with space group $P3_1\text{c}$ (a,b), $P-3_1\text{c}$ (c,d) and $P6_3/m$ (e,f) viewed along a and c -axis, respectively.

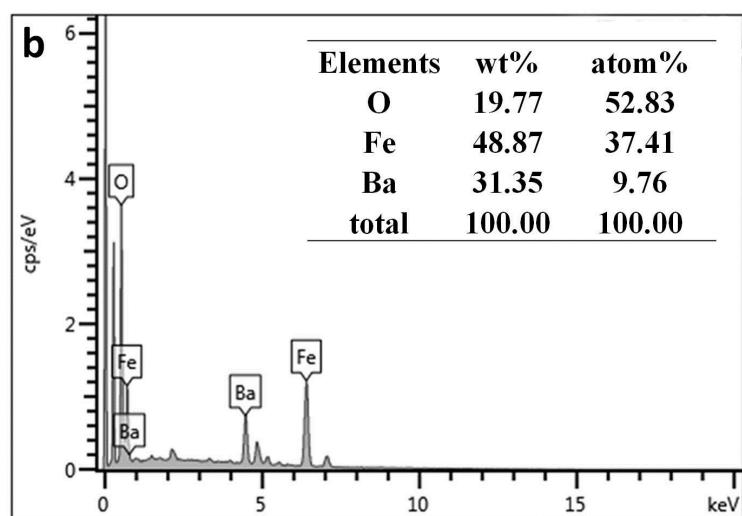
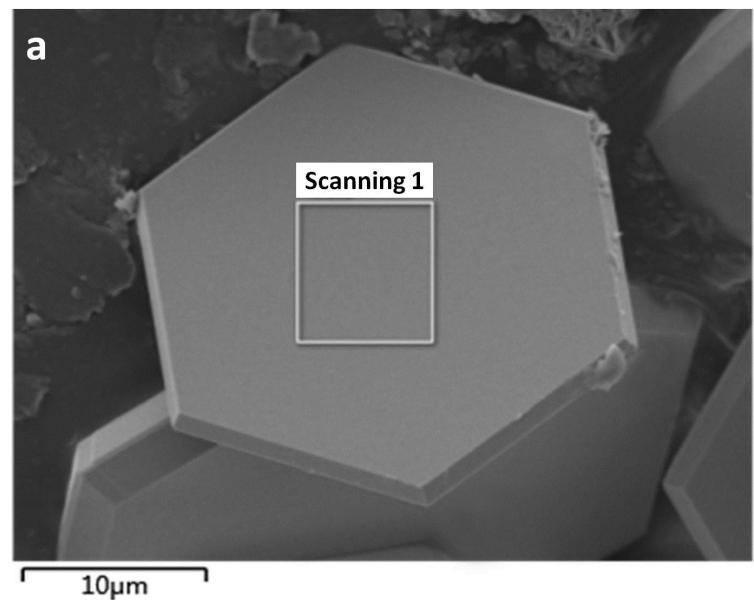


Fig. S2. SEM image and EDS analysis of BaFe₄O₇.

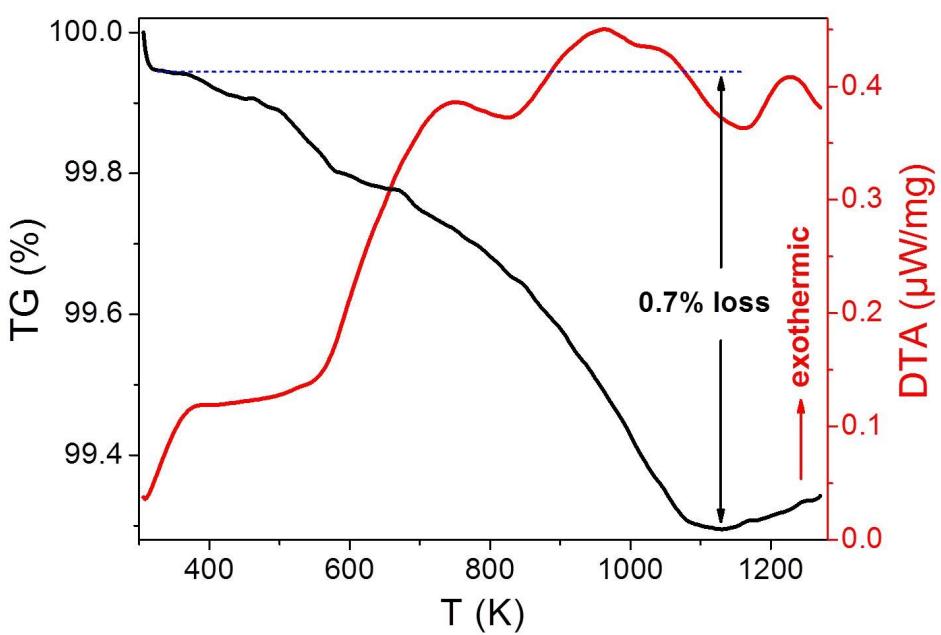


Fig. S3. TGA-DTA curves of BaFe_4O_7 .

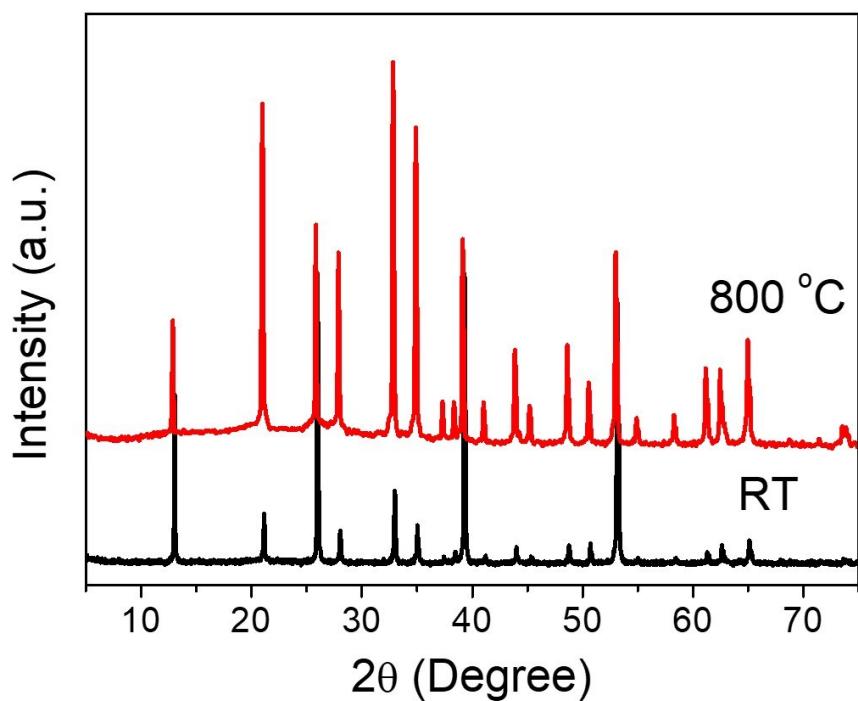


Fig. S4. The powder XRD of BaFe_4O_7 at room temperature (RT) and annealed at 800 $^{\circ}\text{C}$.

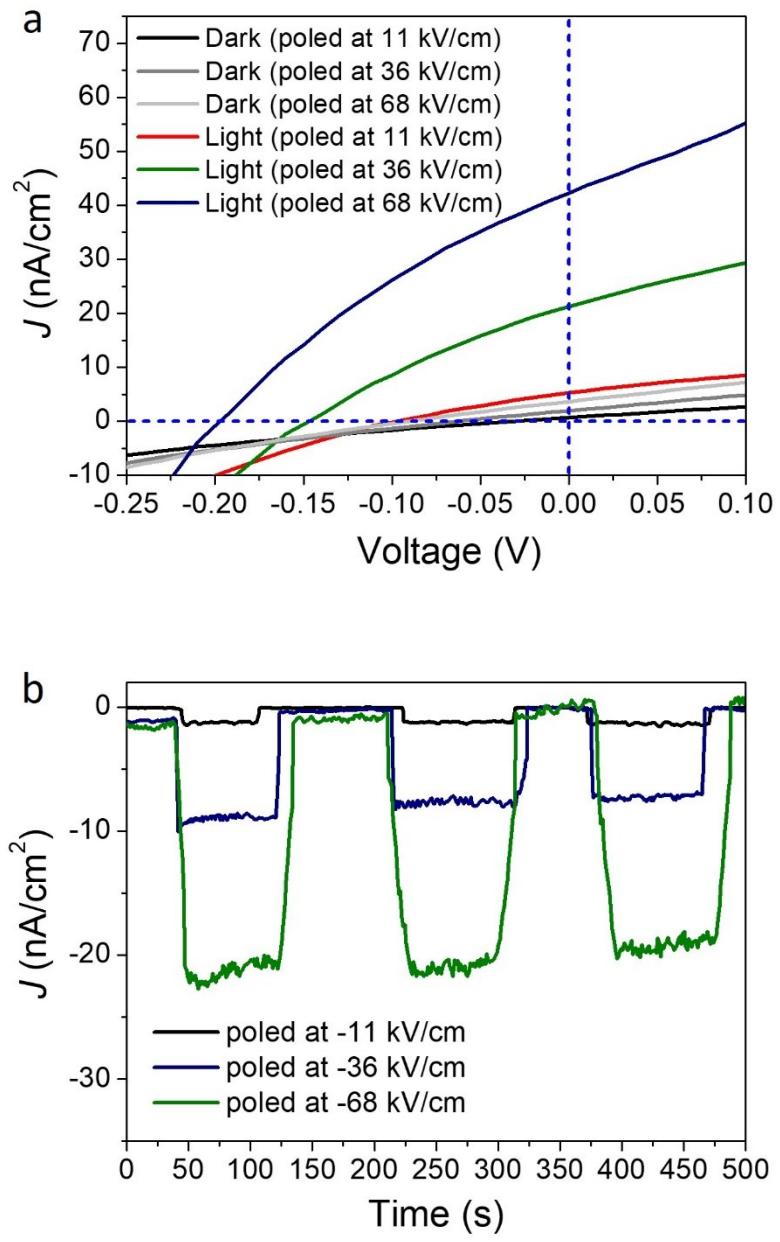


Fig. S5. (a) J - V curves of unpoled and poled ceramic samples in the dark and under visible-light illumination at room temperature. (b) Zero-bias photocurrent densities of negatively poled ceramic samples following on-off visible-light exposure.

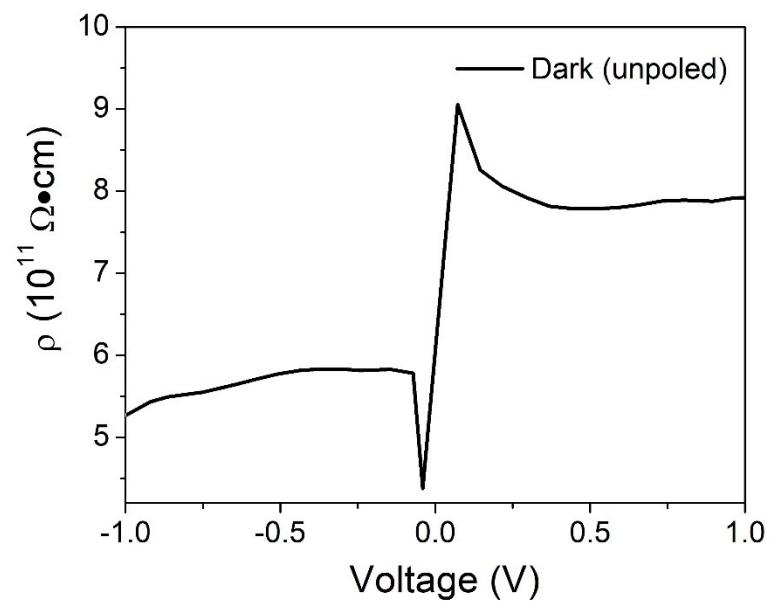


Fig. S6. The resistivity of BaFe_4O_7 calculated from I - V curve of the unpoled sample under dark condition according to Ohm's Law.

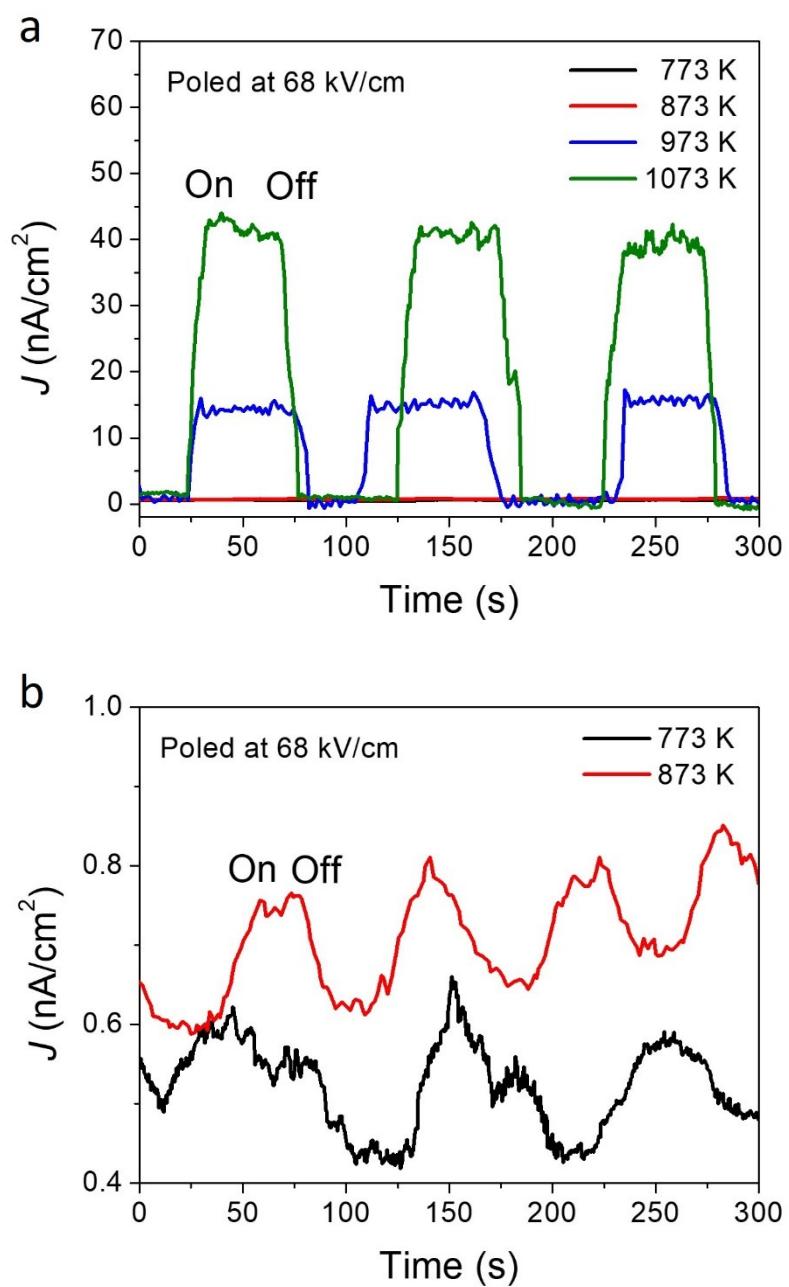


Fig. S7. (a) Zero-bias photocurrent densities of poled ceramic samples annealed at different temperatures following on-off visible-light exposure. (b) Enlarged view of zero-bias photocurrent curves of poled ceramic samples annealed at 773 and 873 K.

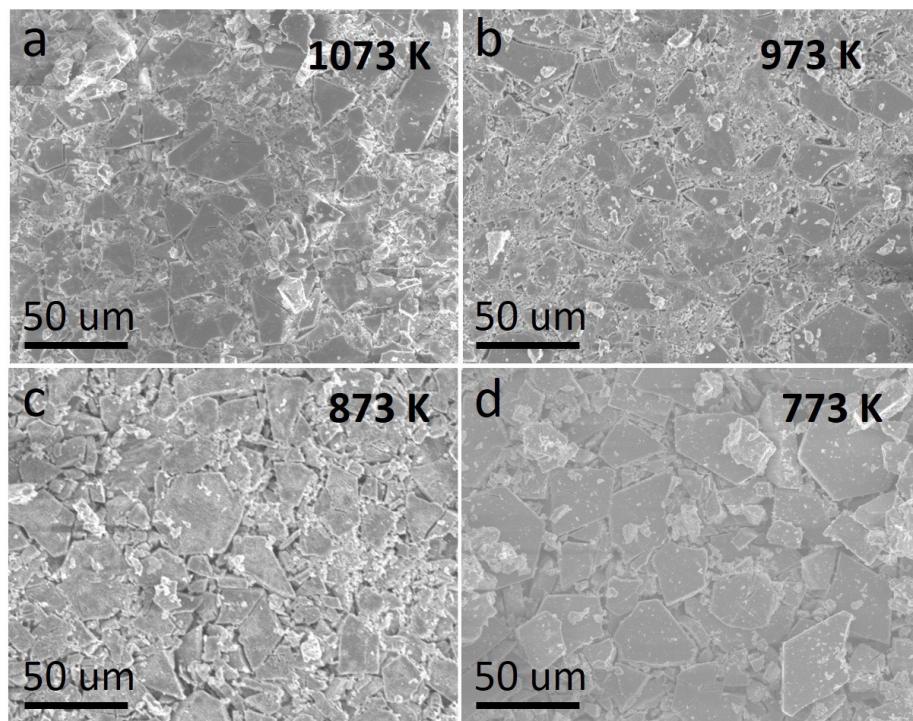


Fig. S8. SEM images of BaFe₄O₇ ceramic samples annealed at different temperatures.

Table S1. Refined structure parameters and selected bond lengths of BaFe₄O₇.^a

Space group	Agreement indices	Atoms	x	y	z	U_{iso} (Å ²)	g
<i>P</i> 3 ₁ <i>c</i>	$R_{wp} = 5.97\%$	Ba	0.6667	0.3333	0.3524(1)	0.0194(2)	1
	$R_p = 3.63\%$	Fe1	0.0000	0.0000	0.2274(3)	0.0137(1)	1
	$\chi^2 = 1.57$	Fe2	0.0000	0.0000	0.4931(1)	0.0061(1)	1
		Fe3	0.3333	0.6667	0.1257(1)	0.0113(1)	1
		Fe4	0.3333	0.6667	0.5963(1)	0.0075(1)	1
		O1	0.4026(4)	0.0306(1)	0.1778(2)	0.0477(1)	1
		O2	0.0232(1)	0.6193(1)	0.5132(1)	0.0553(1)	1
		O3	0.0000	0.0000	0.3581(1)	0.0236 (1)	1
<i>P</i> -3 ₁ <i>c</i>	$R_{wp} = 7.07\%$	Ba	0.6667	0.3333	0.2500	0.0115(2)	1
	$R_p = 4.35\%$	Fe1	0.0000	0.0000	0.1159(3)	0.0047(4)	1
	$\chi^2 = 1.76$	Fe2	0.3333	0.6667	0.0087(1)	0.0192(3)	1
		O1	0.0000	0.0000	0.2500	0.0067(1)	1
		O2	0.3556(2)	0.0091(1)	0.0818(1)	0.0445(2)	1
<i>P</i> 6 ₃ / <i>m</i>	$R_{wp} = 7.43\%$	Ba	0.6667	0.3333	0.2500	0.0198(2)	1
	$R_p = 4.56\%$	Fe1	0.0000	0.0000	0.1149(4)	0.0061(1)	1
	$\chi^2 = 1.50$	Fe2	0.3333	0.6667	0.0089(1)	0.0184(3)	1
		O1	0.0000	0.0000	0.2500	0.0051(1)	1
		O2	0.3435(1)	0.3377(2)	0.0790(1)	0.0287(5)	1
Selected bond length (Å)							
<i>P</i> 3 ₁ <i>c</i>	Fe1—O1		2.114(12)		Fe1—O3		1.807(2)
	Fe2—O2		2.042(1)		Fe2—O3		1.865(11)
	Fe3—O1		1.869(5)		Fe3—O2		2.292(1)
	Fe4—O1		1.852(3)		Fe4—O2		1.881(1)
<i>P</i> -3 ₁ <i>c</i>	Fe1—O1		1.855(1)		Fe1—O2		1.869(2)
	Fe2—O2		1.986(3)		Fe2—O2		2.061(2)
<i>P</i> 6 ₃ / <i>m</i>	Fe1—O2		1.824(2)		Fe1—O1		1.869(5)
	Fe2—O2		1.976(1)		Fe2—O2		2.071(1)

^aNumbers in parentheses are standard deviations of the last significant digit. U_{iso} is the isotropic thermal parameter, g is the occupation factor. R_{wp} and R_p are agreement indices for the structure refinements by the Rietveld method. Cell parameters: $a = b = 5.153(1)$ Å, $c = 13.833(1)$ Å, $\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 120^\circ$ and $V = 318.10(2)$ Å³.