# Expanding the hydride chemistry: Antiperovskites $A_3MO_4H$ (A = Rb, Cs; M = Mo, W) introducing the transition oxometalate hydrides

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#### 1 Experimental section

#### 1.1 Synthesis

Due to the air and moisture sensitivity of the reactants and the resulting products, all preparative and analytical operations were carried out in argon-filled gloveboxes. The  $O_2$  and  $H_2O$  concentrations were kept below 0.5 ppm respectively.

The transition oxometalate hydrides  $A_3MO_4H$  (A = Rb, Cs; M = Mo, W) can be synthesized by the solid-state reaction of in-situ formed alkaline hydride with the quasi-binary oxometalate salts  $A_2MO_4$ . (A = Rb, Cs; M = Mo, W)

The binary molybdate salts were synthesized by a solid-state reaction of MoO<sub>3</sub> (*Alfa Aesar*, 99.5%) with  $A_2CO_3$ . (Rb<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>: *Chempur*, 99.9%; Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>: *Alfa Aesar*,  $\geq$  99%) in stoichiometric ratios. Thereto, the two powders were grinded thoroughly in an agate mortar, transferred in a corundum crucible and heated at 620 °C for 15h. If residual reactants were observed in short scan X-ray diffraction patterns, the product was reground and annealed again with the same temperature program.

The tungstate salts  $Rb_2WO_4$  (*Chempur*, 99.9%),  $Cs_2WO_4$ , (*Alfa Aesar*, 99%), were purchased commercially. Before use, the binary oxometalate salts were dried under dynamic vacuum at 200 °C for 24 h, twice, to remove any traces of moisture.

To synthesize the transition oxometalate hydrides, the alkaline metal (Rb: *Alfa Aesar*, 99.75%, Cs: *Alfa Aesar*, 99.8%) is mixed thoroughly in an agate mortar with the dry binary transition metalate salt for several minutes. The reactive mixture is then heated in a self-made autoclave made of a hydrogen-resistant alloy (*Inconel Böhler 718*) at 255 °C (if M = Mo) or at 330 °C (if M = W) and applied hydrogen (*Westfalen AG*, 99.9%)/deuterium (*AirLiquide*, 99.9%) pressure of 10 bars. During the reaction, the alkaline metal is hydrogenated/deuterated to form the alkaline hydride/deuteride (RbH/D or CsH/D) which readily reacts with the binary transition metalate salt to form the products  $A_3MO_4$ H/D.

#### 1.2 Powder X-ray diffraction

Powder X-ray diffraction data were recorded on a Stoe STADI-P in transmission geometry with either Cu-K<sub>a1</sub> ( $\lambda$  = 1.54059 Å) or with Mo-K<sub>a1</sub> ( $\lambda$  = 0.70930 Å) radiation. Both setups are equipped with a curved Ge-monochromator (111) and a Dectris Mythen DCS 1K solid-state detector. To avoid decomposition of the samples during measurements, the powders were placed in sealed in glass capillaries (Ø 0.3mm, 0.01mm wall thickness). Due to severe X-ray absorption at Cu-K<sub>a1</sub> radiation and fluorescence at Mo-K<sub>a1</sub> radiation, Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H/D was sealed within Ø 0.1 mm glass capillaries to minimize these effects.

#### 1.3 Neutron diffraction

Neutron powder diffraction data of all four deuterium analogue compounds were recorded at room temperature at the two-axis high-resolution powder neutron diffractometer D2B at the Institut Laue-Langevin (ILL), Grenoble using a wavelength of 1.594 Å. Each powder diffraction pattern was recorded over the course of 5h. For the measurement  $\sim$ 4 g of the sample were enclosed in 9 mm vanadium cylinders and sealed airtight with indium wires

#### 1.4 Rietveld Refinement

Crystal structure refinement of X-ray diffraction and neutron diffraction data was done using the program package FullProf<sup>[1]</sup> with the Rietveld method and the fundamental parameter approach. Profiles were fitted using pseudo-Voigt functions. The zero shift, cell parameters, three form factors (Caglioti parameters U, V, W), either two (neutron diffraction data) or four (X-ray diffraction data) asymmetry parameters, atomic positions, isotropic and if applicable, anisotropic thermal displacement parameters were refined. The background correction was done with linear interpolations between refinable background points.

#### 1.5 Raman spectroscopy

Raman spectra were recorded on the polycrystalline samples sealed in glass capillaries (Ø 0.3mm, 0.1mm wall thickness) on a Renishaw inVia Reflex Raman System equipped with a CCD detector. The wavelength of the laser was  $\lambda = 532$  nm and the resulting spectra were recorded in the range of 100-1200 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 1.6 UV/VIS absorption spectroscopy

UV-Vis absorption spectra were recorded on a *Shimadzu* UV-3600 Plus UV-Vis-NIR spectrophotometer. Thin films of the polycrystalline samples were placed within two quartz glass slides under Argon atmosphere. The glass slides were sealed airtight with vacuum grease for measurement. Direct and possible indirect bandgaps were determined from the materials absorption  $\alpha$  obtained by the acquired solid-state UV-Vis absorption spectra.

Applied formula:  $E (eV) = \frac{1240}{\lambda (nm)} \frac{1}{(\alpha hv)^{r}}$  r is set to ½ for an allowed, direct transition (direct bandgap).<sup>[2]</sup>

#### 1.7 Elemental analysis

Elemental analysis to determine and prove the hydrogen abundance of the hydridic samples has been conducted by CHNS analysis on a Vario El microanalyzer. Thereto, roughly 3 mg of the analyzed substance was packed within tin crucibles and folded within further tin crucibles to keep the samples air-tight until measurement.

Elemental analysis to determine the tungsten and molybdenum content has been conducted via alkaline pulping of the samples and consecutive photometric analysis. Thereto, 5 mg (molybdenum determination) or 12 mg (tungsten determination) of the respective samples were packed within aluminium boats beforehand and sealed airtight until measurement. The tungsten determination has slight deviations (~ 1%) due to strong hygroscopic properties of the tungstate salts.

#### 1.8 Solid-state NMR

Measurements were taken at a magnetic field strength of 17.6 T at frequencies of 748.43 MHz and 114.88 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>2</sup>H, respectively. Magic angle spinning (MAS) was done at rotation frequencies of 12 and 5 kHz. Single pulse excitation with recycle delays of 60 s and 2000 s for <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>2</sup>H were used, respectively. Recycle delays were chosen to be long enough for full relaxation; exact spin-lattice relaxation measurements ( $T_1$ ) were not done. In case of <sup>2</sup>H full relaxation might not have been reached for the parent components. The transition metal hydrides with negative shifts relax much faster. Spectra are referenced indirectly to TMS or d-TMS via the <sup>1</sup>H shift of a sample of PDMS (0.07 ppm to TMS).

#### 1.9 Quantum chemical calculations

The geometries, electronic properties, and vibrational properties of the four compounds  $A_3MO_4H$  (A = Rb, Cs; M = Mo, W) were studied with the CRYSTAL17 program package<sup>[3]</sup>. PBE0 hybrid density functional method and Gaussian-type basis sets were used.<sup>[4,5]</sup> The basis sets for Rb, Cs, Mo, W, O, and H have been previously derived from the molecular Karlsruhe def2 basis sets.<sup>[6]</sup>. Polarized triple-zeta-valence (TZVP) basis sets were used for Mo, W, O, and H polarized split-valence basis set for Rb and Cs (SVP)<sup>[7]</sup>. The reciprocal space was sampled using a 4×4×4 Monkhorst-Pack-type k-mesh for the tetragonal structures and 3×3×3 Monkhorst-Pack-type k-mesh for the orthorhombic structure of Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H<sup>[8]</sup>. Tightened tolerance factors (TOLINTEG) of 8, 8, 8, 8 and 16 were used for the evaluation of the Coulomb and exchange integrals. Both the atomic positions and lattice constants were fully optimized within the constraints imposed by the space group symmetry. The optimized lattice parameters a and c for the tetragonal phases differed from the experimental parameters by -0.1% and +1.2% for Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H, +0.1% and +1.1% for Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H, +0.1% and +0.1% for Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H respectively. The optimized and experimental lattice parameters a, b and c for the orthorhombic phase  $Rb_3WO_4H$  differed +0.4%, +0.7%, and +0.5%, respectively. Raman intensities and corresponding spectra were obtained using the computational schemes implemented in CRYSTAL.<sup>[9]</sup> The optimized structures of the tetragonal structures were confirmed to be true local minima with no imaginary frequencies. The optimized structure of Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H showed a very small imaginary frequency of -16.4 cm<sup>-1</sup>, which did not disappear when the structure was distorted along the mode (tungstate deformation vibration, B<sub>1u</sub>). We thus expect this mode to arise for example from small numerical inaccuracies in the numerical integration of the exchange-correlation functional. The Raman intensities have been calculated for a polycrystalline powder sample (total isotropic intensity in arbitrary units). For the simulation of the Raman spectra the temperature and laser wavelength were set to values corresponding to the experimental setup (T = 298.15 K,  $\lambda$  = 532 nm). The peak profile of the final spectra were simulated a using pseudo-Voigt peak profile (50:50, Lorentzian: Gaussian) and FWHM of 8 cm<sup>-1.</sup>

The solid-state NMR shielding tensors were calculated with the DFT-PBE method<sup>[4]</sup>, using the CASTEP program package and the GIPAW formalism as implemented in CASTEP-NMR<sup>[10]</sup>. Ultrasoft pseudopotentials generated with the on-the-fly scheme and a plane-wave basis were applied<sup>[11]</sup>. The kinetic energy cutoff was set to 630 eV for  $A_3MO_4H$  (A = Rb, Cs; M = Mo, W), while a cutoff of 450 eV was used for RbH and CsH. The reciprocal space was sampled using the following Monkhorst-Pack-type *k*-meshes: 4×4×4 for tetragonal  $A_3MO_4H$  structures, 2×2×2 for Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H, and 8×8×8 for RbH, CsH. The NMR shielding tensors of  $A_3MO_4H$  were calculated at both the experimental geometry and DFT-PBE optimized geometry, but the resulting <sup>1</sup>H NMR shifts are practically similar at both geometries. In the geometry optimization, both the lattice parameters and atomic positions were fully optimized with a total energy convergence criterion of 0.5 x 10<sup>-6</sup> eV/atom. Molecular SiMe<sub>4</sub> was used as a reference system for calculating the <sup>1</sup>H NMR shifts. The calculations on SiMe<sub>4</sub> were carried out in a primitive cubic cell (a = 15 Å) using a plane-wave basis set cut-off of 700 eV and  $\Gamma$ -point for reciprocal space sampling. The structure of the SiMe<sub>4</sub> molecule was relaxed within the  $T_d$  point group. The isotropic <sup>1</sup>H shielding of SiMe<sub>4</sub> is 31.01 ppm.

#### 2 Results and discission

#### 2.1 Structural analysis

#### 2.1.1 Neutron diffraction

Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D (RT)



**Figure S1** Rietveld refinement plot of Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D (*I4/mcm*, 140) at room temperature based on neutron diffraction data. The grey area was cut out during refinement as this reflection was not assignable. Bragg markers from top to bottom: Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D (89.3(7) wt.%), Rb<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub> (*Pnam*) (6.2(3) wt.%), RbD ( $Fm^{3}m$ ) (4.6(1) wt.%)

Rb₃MoO₄D	
Space group	<i>I4/mcm</i> (140)
Calculated density [g/cm-3]	3.655
Step scan increment	0.05
2θ range (°)	10 - 158
Wavelength (Å)	1.594
Number of profile points	2960
Temperature (K)	298
Program	Fullprof
Shape parameter η	0.539 (10)
Caglioti parameters (U, V, W)	U = 0.484(17)
	V = -0.510(19)
	W = 0.395(1)
Number of reflections	230
Number of refined parameters	112
R <sub>Bragg</sub>	2.84%
R <sub>p</sub>	1.49%
R <sub>wp</sub>	2.03%
R <sub>exp</sub>	0.65%
Goodness of fit (X <sup>2</sup> )	9.60

Table S2. Crystallographic data on  $Rb_3MoO_4D$  determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature

<b>Cell parameters</b> a = 7.8620(3) Å, c = 12.2998(5) Å; a/b=1.00, b/c= 0.6392 V = 760.26(5) Å <sup>3</sup>						
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c	
Мо	4b	-42m	0	1/2	1/4	
Rb1	8h	m2m	0.19049(13)	X+1/2	0	
Rb2	4a	422	0	0	1/4	
01	161	т	0.12924(13)	X+1/2	0.66646(17)	
D1	4c	4/ <i>m</i>	0	0	0	

 $\label{eq:stable} \textbf{Table S3}. An isotropic displacement parameters of Rb_{3}MoO_{4}D \ determined \ from \ neutron \ diffraction \ data$ 

Anisotropic displacement parameters [Å <sup>2</sup> ]								
Atom	<b>U</b> 11	U <sub>22</sub>	U <sub>33</sub>	U <sub>12</sub>	U <sub>13</sub>	U <sub>23</sub>		
Mo1	0.0227(9)	0.0227(9)	0.0095(14)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		
Rb1	0.0298(7)	0.0298(7)	0.0267(11)	-0.0054(9)	0.00000	0.00000		
Rb2	0.0357(11)	0.0357(11)	0.0399(18)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		
01	0.0581(10)	0.0581(10)	0.0450(11)	-0.0184(10)	0.0222(6)	0.0222(6)		
D1	0.0363(10)	0.0363(10)	0.0565(20)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		

Table S4. Selected interatomic distances and tetrahedron angles in Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)	-
Mo1	01	1.7665(15)	
Rb1	D1	2.8573(10)	-
Rb2		3.0749(12)	
Tetrahedron	angle		
Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle
Mo1	01	O1	108.865(49)
	01	_01	109.775(58)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	109.32

#### Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D (RT)



Figure S2 Rietveld refinement plot of  $Cs_3MoO_4D$  (*I4/mcm*, 140) at room temperature based on neutron diffraction data. Bragg markers from top to bottom:  $Cs_3MoO_4D$  (90.3 (10) wt.%),  $Cs_2MoO_4$  (*Pnma*) (9.7(1) wt.%)

Cs₃MoO₄D	
Space group	<i>I4/mcm</i> (140)
Calculated density [g/cm-3]	4.319
Step scan increment	0.05
2θ range (°)	10 - 158
Wavelength (Å)	1.594
Number of profile points	2960
Temperature (K)	298
Program	Fullprof
Shape parameter η	0.541(12)
Caglioti parameters ( <i>U, V, W</i> )	U = 0.352(10)
	V = -0.497(13)
	W = 0.393(5)
Number of reflections	258
Number of refined parameters	98
R <sub>Bragg</sub>	1.60%
$R_{p}$	1.18%
R <sub>wp</sub>	1.57%
R <sub>exp</sub>	0.83%
Goodness of fit (X <sup>2</sup> )	3.59

Table S6. Crystallographic data on Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature

<b>Cell parameters</b> a = 8.2113(2) Å, c = 12.7893(4) Å; a/b=1.00, b/c= 0.6420 V = 833.70(4) Å <sup>3</sup>					
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c
Мо	4b	-42m	0	1/2	1/4
Cs1	8h	m2m	0.18705(16)	X+1/2	0
Cs2	4a	422	0	0	1/4
01	161	т	0.12348(11)	X+1/2	0.66890(11)
D1	4c	4/m	0	0	0

Table S7. Anisotropic displacement parameters of Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Anisotropic displacement parameters [Å <sup>2</sup> ]								
Atom	<b>U</b> <sub>11</sub>	U <sub>22</sub>	U <sub>33</sub>	<b>U</b> <sub>12</sub>	U <sub>13</sub>	U <sub>23</sub>		
Mo1	0.0209(8)	0.0209(8)	0.0154(12)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		
Cs1	0.0275(7)	0.0275(7)	0.0272(13)	-0.0032(9)	0.00000	0.00000		
Cs2	0.0308(10)	0.0308(10)	0.0304(18)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		
O1	0.0421(7)	0.0421(7)	0.0376(9)	-0.0162(9)	0.0100(5)	0.0100(5)		
D1	0.0487(11)	0.0487(11)	0.063(2)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		

Table S8. Selected interatomic distances and tetrahedron angles in Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)	-
Mo1	01	1.7697(11)	
Cs1	D1	2.9938(13)	-
Cs2		3.1973(1)	
Tetrahedror	n angle		
Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle
Mo1	01	O1	110.090(48)
	01	_01	108.240(43)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	109.165

#### Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D (RT)



Figure S3 Rietveld refinement plot of  $Cs_3WO_4D$  (*I4/mcm*, 140) at room temperature based on neutron diffraction data. Bragg markers  $Cs_3WO_4D$ .

Table S9. Rietveld refinement parameters of  $Cs_3WO_4D$  determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature with the program Fullprof<sup>[1]</sup>

Cs₃WO₄D	
Space group	<i>I4/mcm</i> (140)
Calculated density [g/cm-3]	4.954
Step scan increment	0.05
2θ range (°)	10 - 158
Wavelength (Å)	1.594
Number of profile points	2960
Temperature (K)	298
Program	Fullprof
Shape parameter η	0.478(10)
Caglioti parameters (U, V, W)	U = 0.263(6)
	V = -0.474(10)
	W = 0.386(4)
Number of reflections	260
Number of refined parameters	73
R <sub>Bragg</sub>	2.03%
$R_{p}$	1.53%
R <sub>wp</sub>	2.04%
R <sub>exp</sub>	0.87%
Goodness of fit (X <sup>2</sup> )	5.46

Table S10. Crystallographic data on Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature

<b>Cell parameters</b> a = 8.2331(2) Å, c = 12.8289(3) Å; a/b=1.00, b/c= 0.6418 V = 869.58(4) Å <sup>3</sup>					
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c
W	4b	-42m	0	1/2	1/4
Cs1	8h	m2m	0.18917(12)	X+1/2	0
Cs2	4a	422	0	0	1/4
01	161	m	0.12355(9)	X+1/2	0.66889(9)
D1	4c	4/ <i>m</i>	0	0	0

Table S11. Anisotropic displacement parameters of Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Anisotropic displacement parameters [Å <sup>2</sup> ]								
Atom	<b>U</b> <sub>11</sub>	U <sub>22</sub>	U <sub>33</sub>	<b>U</b> <sub>12</sub>	U <sub>13</sub>	U <sub>23</sub>		
W1	0.0249(8)	0.0249(8)	0.0143(12)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		
Cs1	0.0279(6)	0.0279(6)	0.0299(10)	0.0023(7)	0.00000	0.00000		
Cs2	0.0320(9)	0.0320(9)	0.0322(14)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		
O1	0.0484(6)	0.0484(6)	0.0417(7)	-0.0184(7)	0.0132(4)	0.0132(4)		
D1	0.0405(8)	0.0405(8)	0.0562(15)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000		

Table S12. Selected interatomic distances and tetrahedron angles in Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)	
W1	01	1.7754(9)	
Cs1	D1	2.9958(10)	-
Cs2		3.2072(1)	
Tetrahedron	i angle		
Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle
W1	O1	O1	110.09(4)
	O1	01	108.240(35)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	109.17

#### Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D (RT)



Figure S4 Rietveld refinement plot of  $Rb_3WO_4D$  (*Pbca*, 61) at room temperature based on neutron diffraction data. Bragg markers  $Rb_3WO_4D$ .

Table S13. Rietveld refinement parameters of  $Rb_3WO_4D$  determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature with the program Fullprof<sup>[1]</sup>

Rb₃WO₄D	
Space group	<i>Pbca</i> (61)
Calculated density [g/cm-3]	4.322
Step scan increment	0.05
2θ range (°)	10 - 158
Wavelength (Å)	1.594
Number of profile points	2960
Temperature (K)	298 K
Program	Fullprof
Shape parameter η	0.540(10)
Caglioti parameters (U, V, W)	U = 0.348(11)
	V = -0.527(14)
	W = 0.405(5)
Number of reflections	1610
Number of refined parameters	140
R <sub>Bragg</sub>	1.60%
$R_{p}$	1.08%
R <sub>wp</sub>	1.44%
R <sub>exp</sub>	0.86%
Goodness of fit (X <sup>2</sup> )	2.77

Table S14. Crystallographic data on Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature

<b>Cell parameters</b> a = 11.9262(3) Å, b = 11.3972(5) Å, c = 11.4492(5) Å; a/b=1.0464 b/c=0.9955 c/a=0.9600 V= 1556.24(10)Å <sup>3</sup>						
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c	
W1	8c	1	0.7464(7)	0.0054(4)	-0.0149(4)	
Rb1	8c	1	0.7464(4)	0.2334(4)	0.7289(3)	
Rb2	8c	1	-0.0009(4)	0.7822(4)	-0.0062(5)	
Rb3	8c	1	0.0003(4)	-0.0078(4)	0.7188(3)	
01	8c	1	0.8660(5)	-0.0224(5)	0.0730(5)	
02	8c	1	0.7823(5)	-0.0226(5)	0.8365(4)	
O3	8c	1	0.7173(5)	0.1588(4)	-0.0086(5)	
04	8c	1	0.6318(6)	-0.0766(5)	0.0303(4)	
D1	8c	1	0.5068(6)	0.7562(5)	0.2585(9)	

Table S15. Anisotropic displacement parameters on Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature

Anisotropic displacement parameters [Å <sup>2</sup> ]							
Atom	U <sub>11</sub>	$U_{22}$	U <sub>33</sub>	$U_{12}$	U <sub>13</sub>	U <sub>23</sub>	
W1	0.0181(20)	0.016(2)	0.030(3)	-0.008(3)	-0.011(3)	-0.004(3)	
Rb1	0.0243(18)	0.035(3)	0.037(3)	0.003(2)	-0.018(3)	0.0047(19)	
Rb2	0.029(4)	0.027(2)	0.028(2)	0.003(2)	-0.0096(20)	-0.002(2)	
Rb3	0.032(4)	0.017(2)	0.041(3)	0.004(3)	0.007(2)	0.008(2)	
01	0.016(4)	0.064(4)	0.055(4)	0.008(3)	-0.021(3)	0.006(3)	
02	0.065(5)	0.053(4)	0.015(3)	-0.022(3)	0.013(3)	-0.013(2)	
O3	0.071(5)	0.032(3)	0.044(3)	0.026(3)	-0.024(3)	0.004(3)	
O4	0.047(4)	0.051(4)	0.038(4)	-0.021(4)	0.022(3)	-0.012(3)	
D1	0.0542(19)	0.042(3)	0.077(4)	0.023(3)	0.007(3)	-0.008(4)	

Table S16. Selected interatomic distances in  $Rb_3WO_4D$  determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)
W1	04	1.7347(97)
	01	1.7742(93)
	02	1.7832(68)
	O3	1.7839(66)
	Ø bond length	1.769 Å
Rb1	D1	2.9652(86)
		3.0025(86)
Rb2	D1	2.8529(117)
		2.9230(117)
Rb3	D1	2.8440(73)
		2.9046(74)

Table S17. Tetrahedron angles of the tungstate ions in  $Rb_3WO_4D$  determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle 2-1-3 (°)
W1	O4	01	111.59(50)
	O4	O2	112.17(37)
	04	O3	111.26(35)
	O1	O2	108.43(35)
	01	O3	107.96(37)
	02	O3	105.11(35)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	109.42°



Figure S5 Bond lengths and depiction of the distorted  $Rb_6D$ -octahedron

2.1.2 Supplementary X-ray diffraction data (Hydridic samples)





**Figure S6.** Rietveld refinement plot of Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H obtained from X-ray diffraction data at room temperature with the program Fullprof<sup>[1]</sup>. Bragg markers: Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H (top) (97.9(10) wt.%); RbH (bottom) 2.02(2) wt.%).  $R_p$  = 5.90%,  $R_{wp}$  = 8.49%,  $R_{exp}$  = 3.63%,  $R_{bragg}$  = 4.01%,  $\chi^2$  = 5.90

 $\label{eq:stable} \textbf{Table S18}. Crystallographic data on Rb_{3}MoO_{4}H \ determined \ from \ X-ray \ diffraction \ data \ at \ room \ temperature$ 

<b>Cell pa</b> a = 7.8 a/b=1.0	r <b>ameters</b> 741(4) Å, c = 00, b/c= 0.639	12.3172(7) Å; 93, V = 760.68(7) Å <sup>3</sup>				
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c	B <sub>iso</sub> (Ų)
Мо	4b	-42m	0	1/2	1/4	0.0013(13)
Rb1	8h	m2m	0.18962(15)	X+1/2	0	0.0036(12)
Rb2	4a	422	0	0	1/4	0.0129(15)
01	161	m	0.1232(6)	X+1/2	0.6698(6)	0.005(3)
H1	4c	4/m	0	0	0	0.0507*

\*The isotropic displacement factor of hydrogen has been set to a realistic value, as no refinement thereof with X-ray diffraction data was possible.

Table S19. Selected interatomic distances and tetrahedron angles in Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H determined from X-ray diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)	-
Mo1	01	1.6906(58)	
Rb1	H1	2.8639(12)	-
Rb2		3.0793(2)	
Tetrahedron	i angle		
Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle 2-1-3 (°)
Mo1	O1	O1	108.489(235)
	O1	01	109.965(265)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	109.227

#### $Cs_3MoO_4H$



**Figure S7.** Rietveld refinement plot of Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H obtained from X-ray diffraction data at room temperature with the program Fullprof<sup>[1]</sup>. Bragg markers: Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H (top) (94.3(10) wt.%); CsH (bottom) 5.7(2) wt.%).  $R_p$  = 3.88%,  $R_{wp}$  = 5.40%,  $R_{exp}$  = 3.32%,  $R_{bragg}$  = 2.93%,  $\chi^2$  = 2.65

 $\label{eq:constant} \textbf{Table S20}. \ Crystallographic data \ on \ Cs_3 MoO_4 H \ determined \ from \ X-ray \ diffraction \ data \ at \ room \ temperature$ 

<b>Cell pa</b> a = 8.22	Cell parameters a = 8.2232(2)Å, c = 12.8149(3)Å;						
a/b=1.0	0, b/c= 0.64	17, V = 866.55(3) Å <sup>3</sup>					
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c	B <sub>iso</sub> (Ų)	
Мо	4b	-42 <i>m</i>	0	1/2	1/4	0.0156(11)	
Cs1	8h	m2m	0.18685(13)	X+1/2	0	0.0203(8)	
Cs2	4a	422	0	0	1/4	0.0284(10)	
01	161	m	0.1246(9)	X+1/2	0.6736(8)	0.034(4)	
H1	4c	4/m	0	0	0	0.0507*	

\*The isotropic displacement factor of hydrogen has been set to a realistic value, as no refinement thereof with X-ray diffraction data was possible.

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)	-
Mo1	01	1.7488(84)	-
Cs1	H1	2.9986(11)	-
Cs2		3.1236(90)	
Tetrahedron	angle		
Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle 2-1-3 (°)
Mo1	01	O1	111.908(350)
	O1	01	108.267(383)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	110.088

#### $Cs_3WO_4H$



**Figure S8.** Rietveld refinement plot of Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H obtained from X-ray diffraction data at room temperature with the program Fullprof<sup>[1]</sup>. Bragg markers: Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H.  $R_p$  = 4.83%,  $R_{wp}$  = 6.65%,  $R_{exp}$  = 5.38%,  $R_{bragg}$  = 3.83%,  $\chi^2$  = 1.53

 $\label{eq:stable} \textbf{Table S22}. Crystallographic data on Cs_3WO_4H \ determined \ from \ X-ray \ diffraction \ data \ at \ room \ temperature$ 

<b>Cell pa</b> a = 8.23 a/b=1.0	<b>rameters</b> 391(2) Å, c = 0, b/c= 0.641	12.8405(3) Å;  7, V = 871.66(3) Å <sup>3</sup>				
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c	B <sub>iso</sub> (Ų)
W	4b	-42m	0	1/2	1/4	0.0049(8)
Cs1	8h	m2m	0.18890(14)	X+1/2	0	0.0115(8)
Cs2	4a	422	0	0	1/4	0.0177(10)
01	161	m	0.1251(10)	X+1/2	0.6668(9)	0.029(5)
H1	4c	4/m	0	0	0	0.0507*

\*The isotropic displacement factor of hydrogen has been set to a realistic value, as no refinement thereof with X-ray diffraction data was possible.

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)	-
W1	01	1.8072(95)	-
Cs1	H1	2.9987(12)	-
Cs2		3.2101(1)	
Tetrahedron	angle		
Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle 2-1-3 (°)
W1	01	O1	110.454(421)
	01	01	107.524(382)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	108.989

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**Figure S9** Rietveld refinement plot of Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H at room temperature based on X-ray diffraction data. Bragg markers Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H.  $R_p = 2.91\%$ ,  $R_{wp} = 4.38\%$ ,  $R_{exp} = 1.03\%$ ,  $R_{bragg} = 2.78\%$ ,  $\chi^2 = 17.9$ . Due to very high scattering intensity, necessary to properly resolve the splitting of the reflections, the data quality is very high.  $R_{exp}$  is therefore estimated to be very low, resulting in a rather high goodness of fit as  $\chi^2 = R_{wp}^2 / R_{exp}^2$ .

Table S24. Crystallographic data on Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H determined from neutron diffraction data at room temperature

<b>Cell pa</b> a = 11. V= 155	<b>Cell parameters</b> a = 11.9295(3) Å, b = 11.4019(3) Å, c = 11.4516(3) Å; a/b=1.0463 b/c=0.9957 c/a=0.9599 V= 1557.63(7)Å <sup>3</sup>					
Atom	Wyckoff position	Site	x/a	y/b	z/c	B <sub>iso</sub> (Ų)
W1	8c	1	0.7502(4)	0.0065(4)	-0.0164(2)	0.0042(8)
Rb1	8c	1	0.7452(13)	0.2331(6)	0.7296(4)	0.0178(17)
Rb2	8c	1	-0.0008(10)	0.7819(3)	0.0057(11)	0.0172(20)
Rb3	8c	1	0.0007(8)	-0.0078(6)	0.7199(3)	0.0110(19)
01	8c	1	0.858(2)	-0.022(3)	0.0919(20)	0.036(10)
02	8c	1	0.787(3)	-0.013(3)	0.840(2)	0.007(10)
O3	8c	1	0.710(3)	0.152(2)	-0.011(3)	0.043(14)
O4	8c	1	0.631(3)	-0.068(2)	0.047(2)	0.026(10)
H1	8c	1	0.50680*	0.75620*	0.25850*	0.0507*

\*The atomic position of hydrogen was not determinable via X-ray diffraction and assumed to be the position determined by neutron diffraction. The isotropic displacement factor of hydrogen has been set to a realistic value, as no refinement thereof with X-ray diffraction data was possible.

Table S25. Selected interatomic distances in Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Distance (Å)
W1	O4	1.8085(318)
	01	1.8159(241)
	O2	1.7165(243)
	O3	1.7280(245)
	Ø bond length	1.7672 Å
Rb1	H1	2.9795(154)
		3.00118(155)
Rb2	H1	2.7177(125)
		3.0579(125)
Rb3	H1	2.8439(68)
		2.9040(68)

Table S26. Tetrahedron angles of the tungstate ions in Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D determined from neutron diffraction data

Atom 1	Atom 2	Atom 3	Angle 2-1-3 (°)
W1	O4	O1	101.44(124)
	O4	02	121.66(123)
	O4	O3	102.61(120)
	01	02	116.74(110)
	01	O3	110.12(143)
	02	O3	103.28(155)
		Ø tetrahedron angle	109.31°

#### 2.2 Ionic radii for determination of the Goldschmidt tolerance factors

The ionic radii of the complex oxoanions are taken from the determined bond lengths of the *M*-O bond (as depicted above) plus the ionic radius of oxygen in sixfold coordination sphere. Ionic radii are taken from Shannon in respect of the coordination spheres of the ions.<sup>[12]</sup>

The hydride ion is known to have high polarizability and therefore shows different ionic radii, depending on the chemical environment. We have set the ionic radius of the hydride anion to be 1.399 Å as suggested from Shannon and also from Lang and Smith<sup>[12,13]</sup>. This approach is expected to return consistent set of tolerance factors that enable a discussion of chemical packing as a factor for differences in their crystal chemistries.

Table S27. Ionic radii for determination of the Goldschmidt tolerance factors

lonic species	Ionic radius	Coordination
Na⁺	1.02	Sixfold
K⁺	1.38	Eightfold/tenfold
Rb⁺	1.52	Sixfold (Rb <sub>3</sub> WO <sub>4</sub> H)
Rb⁺	1.63	Eightfold/tenfold
Cs⁺	1.67	Eightfold/tenfold
MoO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	3.170	-
WO42-	3.180	-
SO42-	2.87	-
H-	1.399	Sixfold
F-	1.33	Sixfold
O <sup>2-</sup>	1.40	Sixfold

#### $\label{eq:2.3} Crystal structure of the K_3SO_4F-structure type$



**Figure S10.** Crystal structure of the tetragonal phases along the c-axis (top) and along the a/b plane (bottom). The  $Rb_6D/Cs_6D$  octahedrons are depicted lilac, the tungstate ions are depicted as orange tetrahedrons.

#### 2.4 Difference Fourier maps

Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>D



**Figure S11**. Difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Rb_3MoO_4\square$  (top) with an unoccupied deuterium position (symbol  $\square$ , in FullProf the occupation and  $B_{iso}$  were set to 0). Rubidium is shown in pink, tungsten in grey and oxygen in red. The positive, residual density (yellow isosurface, projected at an isosurface level of 0.090) agrees with the experimentally determined deuterium position in  $Rb_3MoO_4D$ . For comparison: difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Rb_3MoO_4D$  (bot). Here, no residual density is found at a ca. twenty times lower isosurface level of 0.0058. The lower the isosurface leve is set, the more sensitively residual neutron density is shown.

In addition, no residual neutron density is found next to the now occupied deuteride position. This excludes a likely hydroxide/deuteroxide species as no neutron density of a closely bound atom is observable. Graphic representation is shown in VESTA<sup>[14]</sup>.



**Figure S12**. Difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Cs_3MoO_4\square$  (top) with an unoccupied deuterium position (symbol  $\square$ , in FullProf the occupation and  $B_{iso}$  were set to 0). Rubidium is shown in pink, tungsten in grey and oxygen in red. The positive, residual density (yellow isosurface, projected at an isosurface level of 0.074) agrees with the experimentally determined deuterium position in  $Cs_3MoO_4D$ . For comparison: difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Cs_3MoO_4D$  (bot). Here, no residual density is found at a ten times lower isosurface level of 0.0075. The lower the isosurface leve is set, the more sensitively residual neutron density is shown. Again, no residual neutron density is found next to the here occupied deuteride position. This excludes a likely hydroxide/deuteroxide species as no neutron density of a closely bound atom is observable. Graphic representation is shown in VESTA<sup>[14]</sup>.



**Figure S13**. Difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Cs_3WO_{4\square}$  (top) with an unoccupied deuterium position (symbol  $\square$ , in FullProf the occupation and  $B_{iso}$  were set to 0). Rubidium is shown in pink, tungsten in grey and oxygen in red. The positive, residual density (yellow isosurface, projected at an isosurface level of 0.043) agrees with the experimentally determined deuterium position in  $Cs_3WO_4D$ . For comparison: difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Cs_3WO_4D$  (bot). Here, no residual density is found at a five times lower isosurface level of 0.009. The lower the isosurface leve is set, the more sensitively residual neutron density is shown. No residual neutron density is found next to the now occupied deuteride position. This excludes a likely hydroxide/deuteroxide or any other different species as no neutron density of a closely bound atom is observable. Graphic representation is shown in VESTA<sup>[14]</sup>.

Rb<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>D



**Figure S14**. Difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Rb_3WO_4\square$  (top) with an unoccupied deuterium position (symbol  $\square$ , in FullProf the occupation and  $B_{iso}$  were set to 0). Rubidium is shown in pink, tungsten in grey and oxygen in red. The positive, residual density (yellow isosurface, projected at an isosurface level of 0.055) agrees with the experimentally determined deuterium position in  $Rb_3WO_4D$ . For comparison: difference Fourier map of the refinement  $Rb_3WO_4D$  (bot). Here, no residual density is found at a ten times lower isosurface level of 0.0055. Once again, no residual neutron density is found next to the now occupied deuteride position. This excludes a likely hydroxide/deuteroxide species as no neutron density of a closely bound atom is observable. Graphic representation is shown in VESTA<sup>[14]</sup>.

#### 2.5 <sup>2</sup>H MAS NMR Spectroscopy



**Figure S15**. Full <sup>2</sup>H MAS spectrum of  $Rb_3MoO_4D$ . Rotational sidebands of the target compound signal are masked with asterisks. Red line full fit, blue line experimental spectrum. Lines below depict the fits of the individual signals.



**Figure S16**. Full <sup>2</sup>H MAS spectrum of  $Rb_3WO_4D$ . Rotational sidebands of the target compound signal are masked with asterisks. Red line full fit, blue line experimental spectrum. Lines below depict the fits of the individual signals.



**Figure S17**. Full <sup>2</sup>H MAS spectrum of  $Cs_3MoO_4D$ . Rotational sidebands of the target compound signal are masked with asterisks. Red line full fit, blue line experimental spectrum. Lines below depict the fits of the individual signals.



**Figure S18**. Full <sup>2</sup>H MAS spectrum of  $Cs_3WO_4D$ . Rotational sidebands of the target compound signal are masked with asterisks. Red line full fit, blue line experimental spectrum. Lines below depict the fits of the individual signals.

#### 2.6 Calculated electronic band structures and UV/Vis Tauc plots

Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H



**Figure S19.** Calculated electronic band structure of  $Rb_3MoO_4H$  and projected density of states (DFT-PBE0). The blue dots indicate the direct band gap character. The DOS of Rubidium and Hydrogen are enhanced for better visibility. The band paths in the reciprocal space have been determined by the Seek-path webservice<sup>[15-17]</sup>.



**Figure S20.** Tauc-plots of  $Rb_3MoO_4H$  determined from UV/VIS absorption spectroscopy. For the determination of a direct transition character, the coefficient r (see experimental details) has been set to r =  $\frac{1}{2}$ , direct transition (left side). The blue vertical dashed lines indicate the area for the linear fit. The resulting determined direct band gap of 3.66 eV is matching the predicted band gap of 3.56 eV.





**Figure S21.** Calculated electronic band structure of  $Cs_3MoO_4H$  and projected density of states (DFT-PBE0). The blue dots indicate the direct band gap character. The DOS of Cesium and Hydrogen are enhanced for better visibility. The band paths in the reciprocal space have been determined by the Seek-path webservice<sup>[15–17]</sup>.



**Figure S22.** Tauc-plots of  $Cs_3MoO_4H$  determined from UV/VIS absorption spectroscopy. For the determination of a direct or indirect transition character, the coefficient r (see experimental details) has been set to r =  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The blue vertical dashed lines indicate the area for the linear fit. The resulting determined direct band gap of 3.33 eV is matching the predicted band gap of 3.23 eV.





**Figure S23.** Calculated electronic band structure of  $Cs_3WO_4H$  and projected density of states (DFT-PBE0). The blue dots indicate the direct band gap character. The DOS of Rubidium and Hydrogen are enhanced for better visibility. The band paths in the reciprocal space have been determined by the Seek-path webservice<sup>[15–17]</sup>.



**Figure S24.** Tauc-plots of  $Cs_3WO_4H$  determined from UV/VIS absorption spectroscopy. For the determination of a direct or indirect transition character, the coefficient r (see experimental details) has been set to r =  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The blue vertical dashed lines indicate the area for the linear fit. The resulting determined direct band gap of 3.95 eV is matching the predicted band gap of 3.85 eV.

#### 2.7 Vibrational Spectroscopy (experimental and DFT-PBE0)

 $Rb_3MoO_4H$ 



Figure S25. Experimental Raman spectrum of Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H (top) and simulated Raman spectrum of Rb<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H (bottom).

Table S28.Vibrational	I Raman data	of Rb <sub>3</sub> MoO <sub>4</sub> H	l obtained by	quantum	chemical	calculations
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Simulated Raman data on Rb <sub>3</sub> MoO₄H				
Frequency (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Γ <sub>irrep</sub>	Intensity (arbitrary units)	Assignment	
46	Eg	33	Lattice vibrations	
56	E	31	Lattice vibrations	
69	A <sub>1g</sub>	56	Lattice vibrations	
72	B <sub>1g</sub>	34	Lattice vibrations	
76	B <sub>2g</sub>	2	Lattice vibrations	
95	Eg	188	MoO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric bending coupled	
	0		with lattice vibrations	
97	Eg	1	Lattice vibrations	
114	B <sub>2q</sub>	49	Lattice vibrations	
310	B <sub>1g</sub>	726	$MoO_4^{2-}$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )	
325	E	225	$MoO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )	
348	A <sub>1g</sub>	705	$MoO_4^2$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )	
363	B <sub>2a</sub>	154	$MoO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )	
861	B <sub>2g</sub>	69	$MoO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )	
864	Eď	212	$MoO_4^2$ antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )	
919	A <sub>1g</sub>	1000	$MoO_4^{2-}$ symmetric stretching (v <sub>1</sub> )	

## $Cs_3MoO_4H$



Figure S26. Experimental Raman spectrum of Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H (top) and simulated Raman spectrum of Cs<sub>3</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub>H (bottom).

Table S29. Vibrational Raman data of Cs <sub>3</sub> MoO <sub>4</sub> H obtained by gu	uantum chemical calculations.
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Simulated Ra	Simulated Raman data on Cs₃MoO₄H				
Frequency (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Γ <sub>irrep</sub>	Intensity (arbitrary units)	Assignment		
32	Eg	1	Lattice vibrations		
39	E <sub>g</sub>	83	Lattice vibrations		
50	A <sub>1g</sub>	137	Lattice vibrations		
56	B <sub>2g</sub>	10	Lattice vibrations		
56	B <sub>1g</sub>	168	Lattice vibrations		
80	Eq	39	Lattice vibrations		
101	B <sub>2g</sub>	46	Lattice vibrations		
141	Eg	102	MoO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric bending coupled with lattice vibrations		
318	B <sub>1g</sub>	670	MoO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )		
334	Eď	289	$MoO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )		
351	A <sub>1g</sub>	685	$MoO_4^{2-}$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )		
367	B <sub>2g</sub>	142	$MoO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )		
783	B <sub>2g</sub>	58	MoO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )		
786	Eď	306	$MoO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )		
850	A <sub>1g</sub>	1000	MoO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> symmetric stretching (v <sub>1</sub> )		

# $Cs_3WO_4H$



Figure S27. Experimental Raman spectrum of Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H (top) and simulated Raman spectrum of Cs<sub>3</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>H (bottom).

Table S30. Vibrational Ra	aman data of Cs <sub>3</sub> MoO <sub>4</sub> H obtained	by quantum chemical calculations.
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Simulated Raman data on Cs₃WO₄H				
Frequency (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Γ <sub>irrep</sub>	Intensity (arbitrary units)	Assignment	
25	Eg	0	Lattice vibrations	
36	E	55	Lattice vibrations	
47	A <sub>1g</sub>	214	Lattice vibrations	
50	B <sub>2g</sub>	5	Lattice vibrations	
55	B <sub>1g</sub>	288	Lattice vibrations	
70	Eg	60	Lattice vibrations	
84	B <sub>2g</sub>	76	Lattice vibrations	
86	Eg	277	WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric bending coupled with lattice vibrations	
300	Ea	210	$WO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )	
308	B <sub>1g</sub>	766	$WO_4^{2-}$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )	
335	B <sub>2a</sub>	147	$WO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )	
343	A <sub>1a</sub>	833	$WO_4^2$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )	
826	B <sub>2a</sub>	47	$WO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )	
828	E	266	$WO_4^2$ antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )	
926	A <sub>1g</sub>	1000	$WO_4^{2-}$ symmetric stretching (v <sub>1</sub> )	

The Raman spectrum of  $Cs_3WO_4H$  shows a broad background within the spectrum due to self-fluorescence of the sample.

## $Rb_3WO_4H$

Table S31.Vibrational Raman data of  $Rb_3WO_4H$  obtained by quantum chemical calculations.

Simulated Raman data on Rb <sub>3</sub> WO <sub>4</sub> H									
Frequency	Γ <sub>irrep</sub>	Intensity	Assignment						
(cm <sup>-1</sup> )		(arbitrary							
00 440									
20 - 140	-	> 20	Lattice vibrations $WO^{2}$ antisymmetry banding (1)						
307	B <sub>3g</sub>	14	$WO_4^2$ antisymmetric bending $(V_4)$						
309	B <sub>1g</sub>	31	$VVO_4^{2^2}$ antisymmetric bending (V <sub>4</sub> )						
311	Ag	15	$VVO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (V <sub>4</sub> )						
313	B <sub>2g</sub>	30	$WO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )						
314	B <sub>3g</sub>	25	$WO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (V <sub>4</sub> )						
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323	B <sub>3g</sub>	5	WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )						
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324	B <sub>3a</sub>	22	$WO_4^{2-}$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )						
325	B <sub>1g</sub>	9	$WO_4^{2-}$ antisymmetric bending (v <sub>4</sub> )						
330	B <sub>30</sub>	212	$WO_4^2$ - symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )						
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334	A,	198	$WO_4^{2-}$ symmetric bending (v <sub>2</sub> )						
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347	R.	25	$WO_4^{2-}$ symmetric bending $(V_2)$						
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588	∧g B.	4 24	Parallel vertical hydride vibrations						
500 660	D <sub>1g</sub>	24	Diagonal hydrida vibrationa						
675	D <sub>3g</sub>	0	Diagonal hydride vibrations						
0/0		2	Parallel berizentel budride vibrations						
715	A <sub>g</sub>	2	Parallel horizontal hydride vibrations						
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725	Ag	9	Parallel horizontal hydride vibrations						
/2/	B <sub>3g</sub>	1	Diagonal horizontal hydride vibrations						
770	B <sub>1g</sub>	1	Antiparallel vertical hydride vibrations						
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804	B <sub>2g</sub>	1	Hydride symmetric vibrations						
810	B <sub>1g</sub>	15	Hydride symmetric vibrations						
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822	B <sub>2g</sub>	9	WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric stretching coupled with						
			symmetric hydride vibrations (v <sub>3H</sub> )						
	_	_							
825	B <sub>1g</sub>	7	WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric stretching coupled with						
			symmetric hydride vibrations (v <sub>3H</sub> )						
0.07	•	0.4	MO 2 anti-						
827	A <sub>g</sub>	84	$vvO_4^{}$ antisymmetric stretching (v <sub>3</sub> )						
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			parallel vertical hydride vibrations (v <sub>3H</sub> )						
861	R	20	WO 2- antisymmetric stratshing sound with						
801	B <sub>1g</sub>	29	$VVO_4^{2^2}$ antisymmetric stretching coupled with						
			parallel vertical hydride vibrations (V <sub>3H</sub> )						
869	Baa	9	WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> antisymmetric stretching coupled with						
	<b>∠</b> 2g	5	diagonal vertical hydride vibrations (val)						
877	B <sub>1g</sub>	24	WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2</sup> antisymmetric stretching coupled with						
	-9		diagonal vertical hydride vibrations (v <sub>3H</sub> )						
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	5		diagonal vertical hydride vibrations (v <sub>3H</sub> )						
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931	B <sub>2q</sub>	0	$WO_4^{2-}$ symmetric stretching (v <sub>1</sub> )						
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932	B <sub>3q</sub>	0	$WO_4^2$ symmetric stretching (v <sub>1</sub> )						

Hydride vibrations along the crystallographic a/b-plane are defined as vertical hydride vibrations whereas vibrations along the a/c-axis are defined as horizontal vibrations.

#### 2.8 Elemental Analysis



Figure S28. Elemental analysis reports of the four hydridic compounds.

#### 2.9 Optimized crystal structures as CIF (DFT-PBE0)

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