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Syntheses, crystal structure, and photoelectric properties of two Zn-based chalcogenidoantimonates Zn-Sb-Q (Q=S, Se) †

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1. Experimental Section

1.1 Single-Crystal Structure Characterizations

Structural analyses were carried out on a Rigaku Raxis-Rapid X-ray diffractometer (Rigaku, Japan), and diffracted structural data were collected using an APEX-II CCD single-crystal diffraction from Bruker, Germany, with a graphite monochromator and Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.071073$ nm). All calculated diffracted structural data were corrected for L_p factor and empirical absorption factor, structural data were solved by direct calculation method, all non-hydrogen atom coordinate data were determined directly by difference Fourier synthesis method, and all non-hydrogen atom coordinate parameters and anisotropic thermal parameters were corrected by full-matrix least squares method. The structural calculation data were done directly with the *Olex2* program.¹ The CCDC numbers for compounds **1** and **2** are 2280314 and 2280315, respectively.

2. Computational Details

Spin-polarized first-principles-based calculations were performed with Cambridge Sequential Total Energy Package (CASTEP)²⁻³ with Perdew–Burke–Ernzerhof (PBE) functional⁴ within GGA.⁵ The crystal structures of compounds [Zn(tren)]₂Sb₂Se₅ (**1**) and [Zn(tepa)H]₂Sb₂S₆ (**2**) were firstly fully optimized without any constrains. All the calculations were performed with On-the-fly-generated (OFTG) ultrasoft pseudopotentials and the energy cutoff was set as 435.40 eV based on convergence tests.⁶⁻⁷ Monkhorst k-point grids with separation smaller than 0.03 Å were used for the Brillouin-zone integrations.⁸

3. Figures and Tables

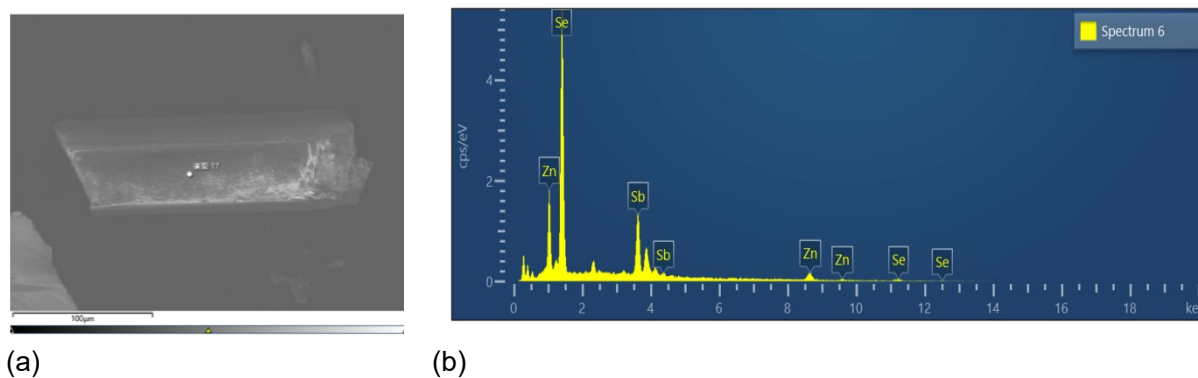


Figure S1. SEM image (a) and EDS analysis (b) of **1**.

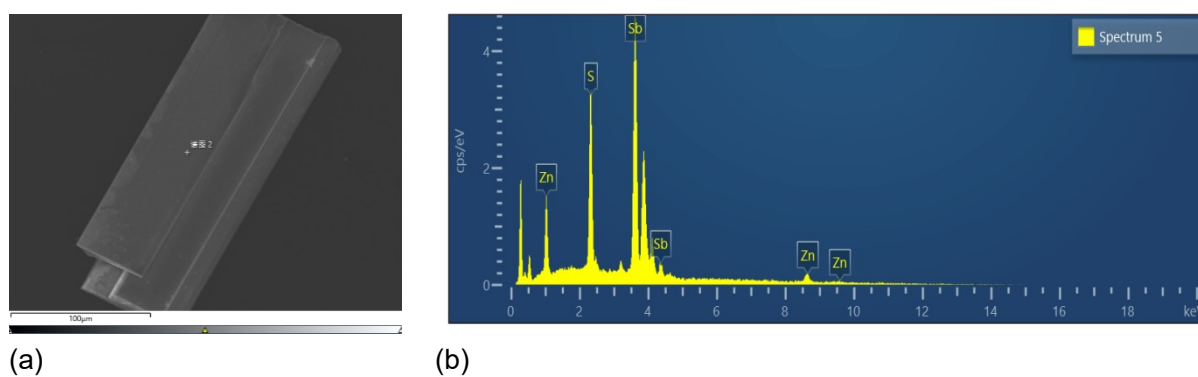


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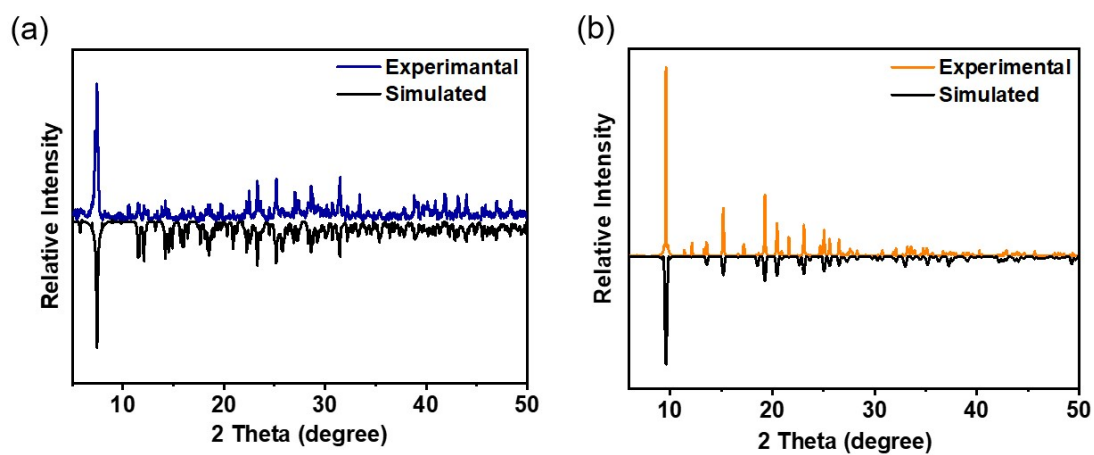


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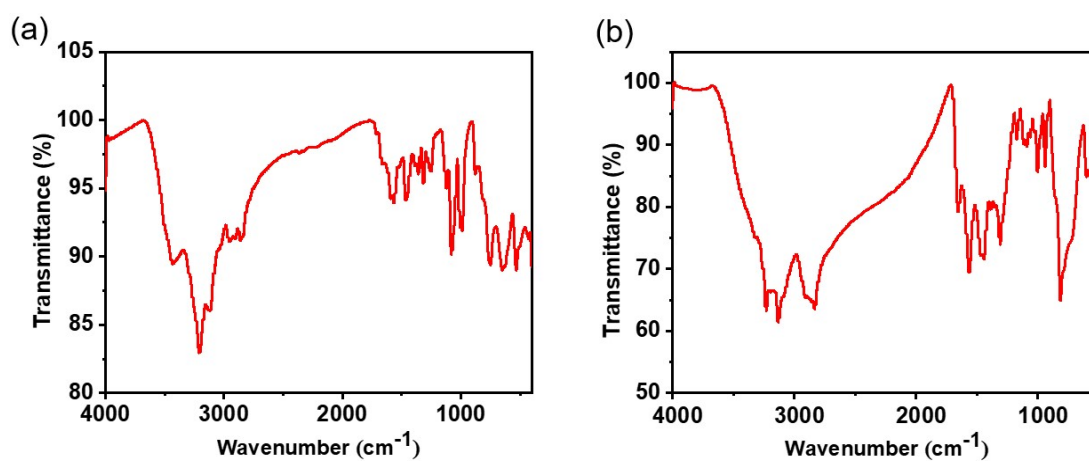


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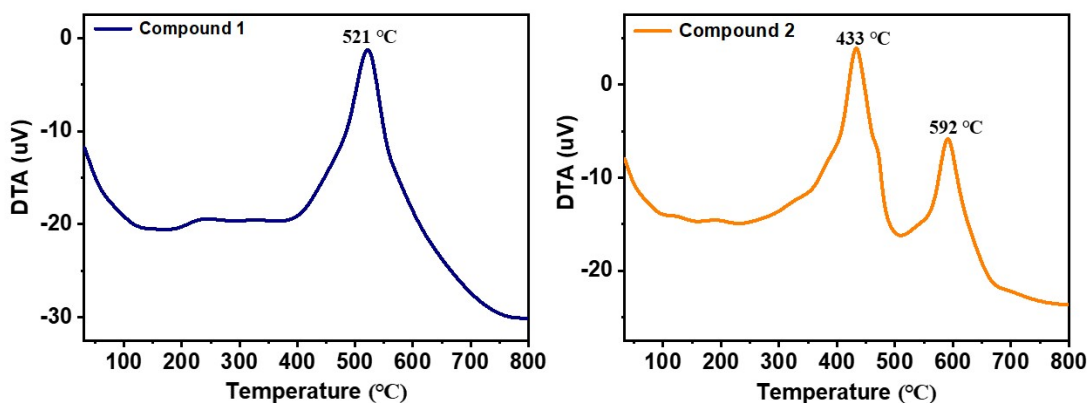


Figure S5. DTA curves for **1** (a) and **2** (b).

Table S1. Summary table of coordination numbers and degradation rates of MB for antimony chalcogenides containing zinc.

Formula	Coordination number of Zn and Sb atoms	Efficiency (%)	Ref.
[Zn(trien)]Sb ₄ S ₇	Zn (5); Sb (3 and 4)	Not found	[9]
[Zn(dap) ₃] ₂ (Sb ₂ Se ₃)·H ₂ O	Zn (6); Sb (3)	Not found	[10]
[Zn(C ₄ H ₁₃ N ₃) ₂] _n [CdSb ₂ Se ₅] _n	Zn (6); Sb (3)	Not found	[11]
[Zn(tren)Sb ₄ S ₇]	Zn (5); Sb (4)	Not found	[12]
[Zn(tren) ₂ H]SbSe ₄	Zn (5); Sb (4)	Not found	[13]
[Ni(1,2-dap) ₃] ₂ Zn(1,2-dap)Sb ₂ Se ₈	Zn (4); Sb (4)	Not found	[13]
Rb ₂ ZnSb ₄ S ₈	Zn (4); Sb (3)	Not found	[13]
Cu ₂ ZnSbS ₄	Zn (4); Sb (4)	Not found	[14]
Cs ₂ ZnSb ₂ S ₅	Zn (4); Sb (3 and 4)	69 %	[15]
[Zn(tren)] ₂ Sb ₂ Se ₅	Zn (5); Sb (3)	88.2 %	This work
[Zn(tepa)H] ₂ Sb ₂ S ₆	Zn (6); Sb (4)	82.4 %	This work

Table S2. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **1**.

Zn1-N1	2.068(4)	N2-Zn1-N3	75.73(15)
Zn1-N2	2.438(4)	N3-Zn1-N4	116.81(18)
Zn1-N3	2.114(4)	N4-Zn1-N1	109.21(18)
Zn1-N4	2.053(4)	N5-Zn2-N6	118.6(2)
Zn1-Se1	2.4842(8)	N6-Zn2-N7	77.89(17)
Zn2-N5	2.094(5)	N7-Zn2-N8	78.03(15)
Zn2-N6	2.110(5)	Se1-Sb1-Se2	100.59(2)
Zn2-N7	2.358(4)	Se3-Sb2-Se4	97.67(2)
Zn2-N8	2.069(4)	N2-Zn1-Se1	172.33(11)

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Zn2-Se4	2.4637(8)	N4-Zn1-Se1	109.43(12)
Sb1-Se1	2.5646(6)	N3-Zn1-Se1	97.47(12)
Sb1-Se2	2.4978(7)	N5-Zn2-Se4	95.62(15)
Sb2-Se3	2.4734(7)	N7-Zn2-Se4	171.66(11)
Sb2-Se4	2.5210(7)	N8-Zn2-Se4	108.53(11)
N1-Zn1-N2	77.23(15)		

Table S3. Selected bond lengths [\AA] and angles [$^\circ$] for **2**.

Zn1-N1	2.147(6)	N4-Zn1-N5	87.8(2)
Zn1-N2	2.193(5)	N4-Zn1-N2	141.7(2)
Zn1-N3	2.237(5)	S1-Sb1-S3	119.10(6)
Zn1-N4	2.164(5)	S1-Sb1-S2 ¹	108.69(6)
Zn1-N5	2.234(5)	S1-Sb1-S2	111.45(6)
Sb1-S1	2.3144(15)	S2 ¹ -Sb1-S2	94.00(5)
Sb1-S2	2.4587(15)	S3-Sb1-S2 ¹	110.11(6)
Sb1-S3	2.3549(17)	S3-Sb1-S2	110.59(6)
Zn1-S3	2.5821(18)	N1-Zn1-S3	165.9(2)
N1-Zn1-N2	95.6(2)	N2-Zn1-S3	90.91(15)
N1-Zn1-N3	165.9(2)	N3-Zn1-S3	81.63(14)
N2-Zn1-N3	76.7(2)	N4-Zn1-S3	111.83(15)
N3-Zn1-N4	76.7(2)	N5-Zn1-S3	113.6(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: ¹-X, -Y, 1-Z

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