

Supplementary Information

Hg₃AsS₄X (X = Cl and Br): Two Hg-based chalcogenides as long-wave infrared nonlinear optical crystals with superior comprehensive performances

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Atom	x	y	z	U(eq)
$\text{Hg}_3\text{AsS}_4\text{Cl}$				
Hg(1)	4959(1)	5041(1)	5109(1)	23(1)
S(1)	8517(2)	7034(4)	6246(5)	12(1)
Cl(1)	6667	3333	2905(7)	20(1)
As(1)	10000	10000	4885(2)	10(1)
S(2)	3333	6667	3708(7)	14(1)
$\text{Hg}_3\text{AsS}_4\text{Br}$				
Hg(1)	-4955(1)	-5045(1)	-4659(1)	25(1)
Br(1)	-6667	-3333	-2437(4)	20(1)
S(1)	-2983(5)	-1492(3)	-5795(5)	15(1)
As(1)	0	0	-4485(4)	13(1)
S(2)	-3333	-6667	-3289(8)	15(1)

U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Table S2. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [deg] for HASC and HASB.

$\text{Hg}_3\text{AsS}_4\text{Cl}$		$\text{Hg}_3\text{AsS}_4\text{Br}$	
Hg(1)-S(1)	2.519(2)	Hg(1)-S(1)	2.527(3)
Hg(1)-S(2)	2.449(3)	Hg(1)-S(2)	2.450(4)
Hg(1)-Cl(1)	2.968(5)	Hg(1)-Br(1)	3.029(3)
S(1)-As(1)	2.274(4)	S(1)-As(1)	2.278(5)
S(1)-Hg(1)-S(1)#1	110.32(17)	S(1)-Hg(1)-Br(1)	89.70(8)
S(1)-Hg(1)-Cl(1)	88.58(7)	S(1)#1-Hg(1)-Br(1)	89.70(8)
S(2)-Hg(1)-S(1)	123.60(6)	S(1)#1-Hg(1)-S(1)	108.77(19)
S(2)-Hg(1)-Cl(1)	106.9(2)	S(2)-Hg(1)-Br(1)	105.20(19)
Hg(1)-S(1)-Hg(1)#2	98.48(13)	S(2)-Hg(1)-S(1)	124.29(8)
As(1)-S(1)-Hg(1)	102.11(14)	Hg(1)#1-Br(1)-Hg(1)#2	78.15(9)

Hg(1)#2-Cl(1)-Hg(1)	80.02(15)	Hg(1)#2-S(1)-Hg(1)	98.15(15)
S(1)-As(1)-S(1)#3	93.59(16)	As(1)-S(1)-Hg(1)	101.41(17)
S(1)-As(1)-S(1)#4	93.59(16)	S(1)#3-As(1)-S(1)#4	93.8(2)
Hg(1)#5-S(2)-Hg(1)#6	95.76(18)	Hg(1)#5-S(2)-Hg(1)#6	95.2(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -y+1,x-y,z #2 -x+y+1,-x+1,z #3 -x+y+1,-x+2,z
#4 -y+2,x-y+1,z #5 -y+1,x-y+1,z #6 -x+y,-x+1,z

Table S3. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for HASC and HASB.

The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: $-2\pi^2[h^2a^*{}^2U_{11} + \dots + 2hka^*b^*U_{12}]$

Atom	U11	U22	U33	U23	U13	U12
$\text{Hg}_3\text{AsS}_4\text{Cl}$						
Hg(1)	17(1)	17(1)	35(1)	3(1)	-3(1)	10(1)
S(1)	12(1)	9(1)	16(2)	1(1)	1(1)	4(1)
Cl(1)	24(2)	24(2)	12(3)	0	0	12(1)
As(1)	11(1)	11(1)	9(2)	0	0	6(1)
S(2)	15(2)	15(2)	10(3)	0	0	8(1)
$\text{Hg}_3\text{AsS}_4\text{Br}$						
Hg(1)	21(1)	21(1)	34(1)	2(1)	-2(1)	12(1)
Br(1)	25(1)	25(1)	9(1)	0	0	12(1)
S(1)	12(2)	15(1)	16(2)	1(1)	1(1)	6(1)
As(1)	15(1)	15(1)	8(2)	0	0	7(1)
S(2)	17(2)	17(2)	11(3)	0	0	8(1)

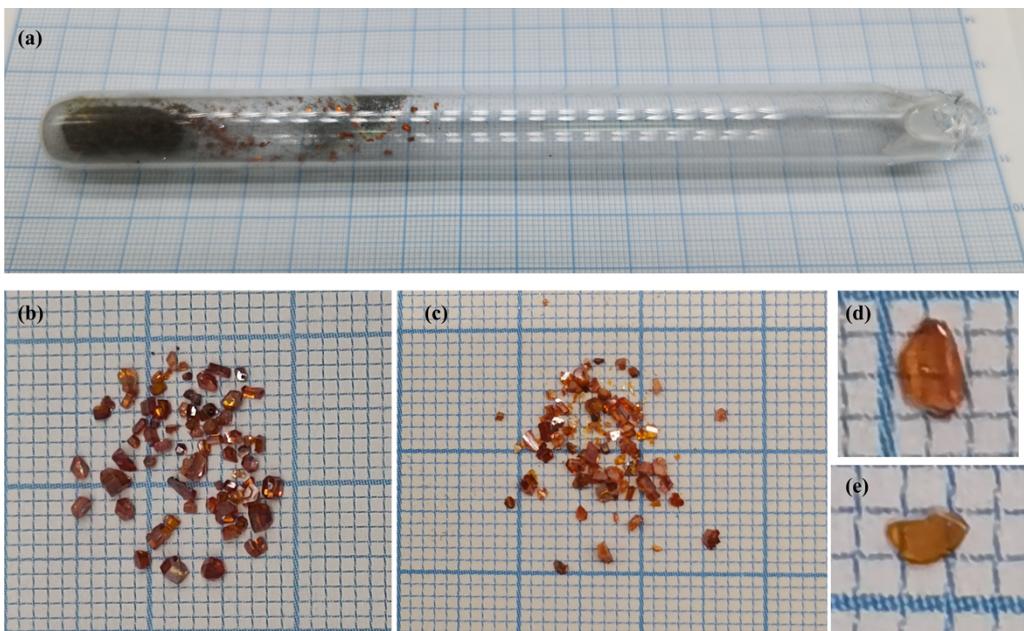


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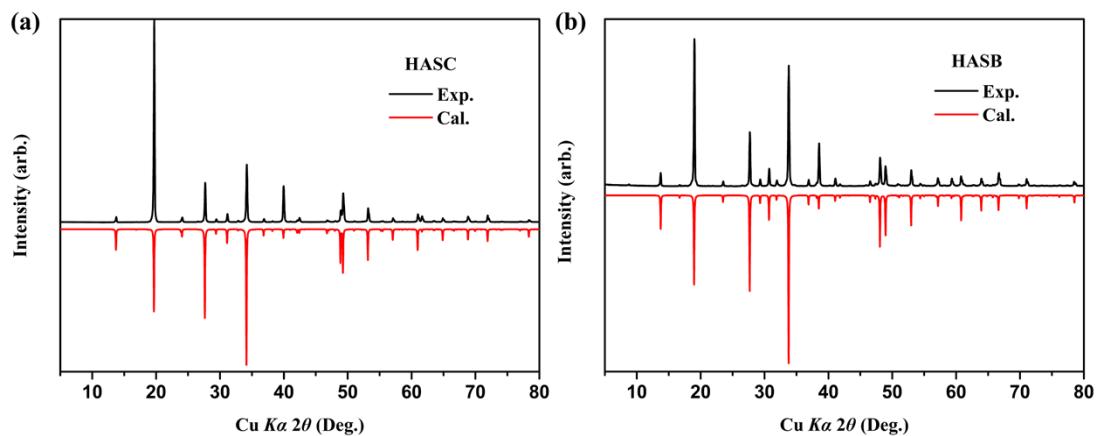


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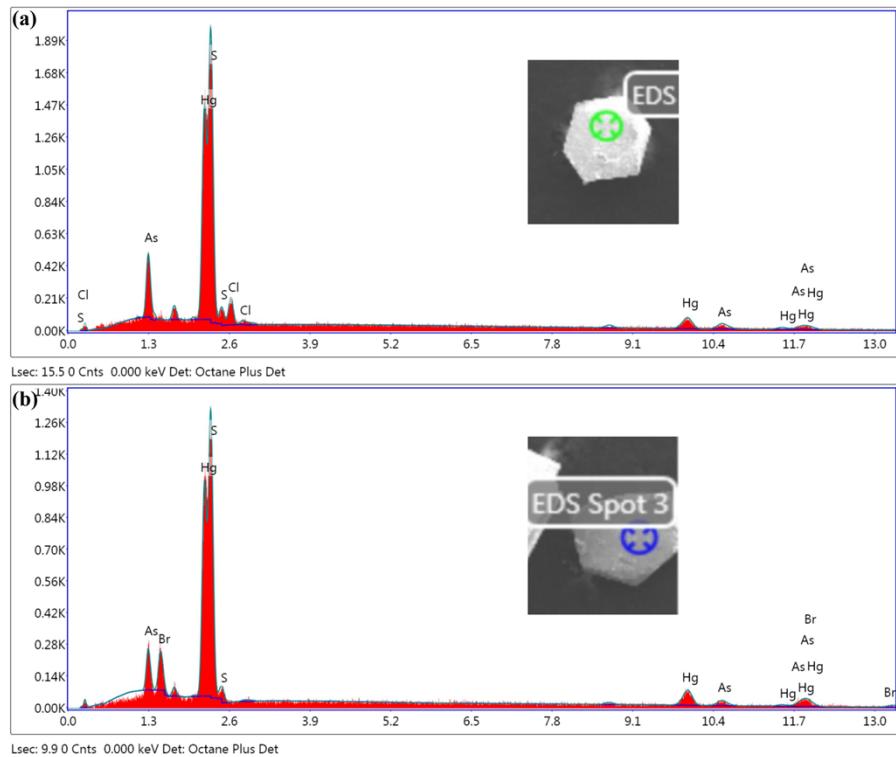


Figure S3. EDS analyses for (a) HASC and (b) HASB.

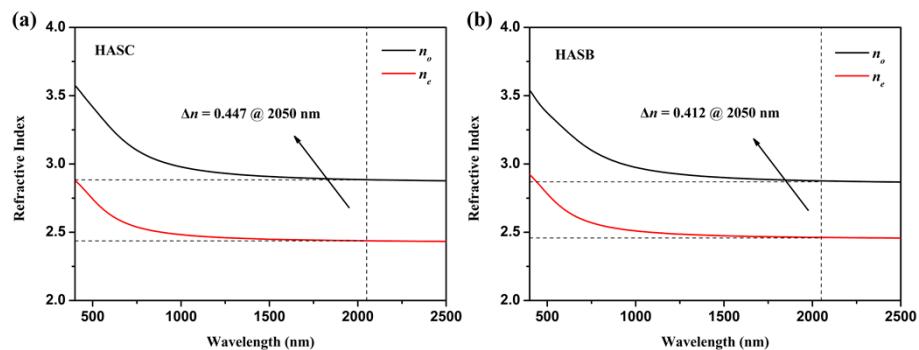


Figure S4. Calculated refractive index dispersion curves for (a) HASC and (b) HASB.

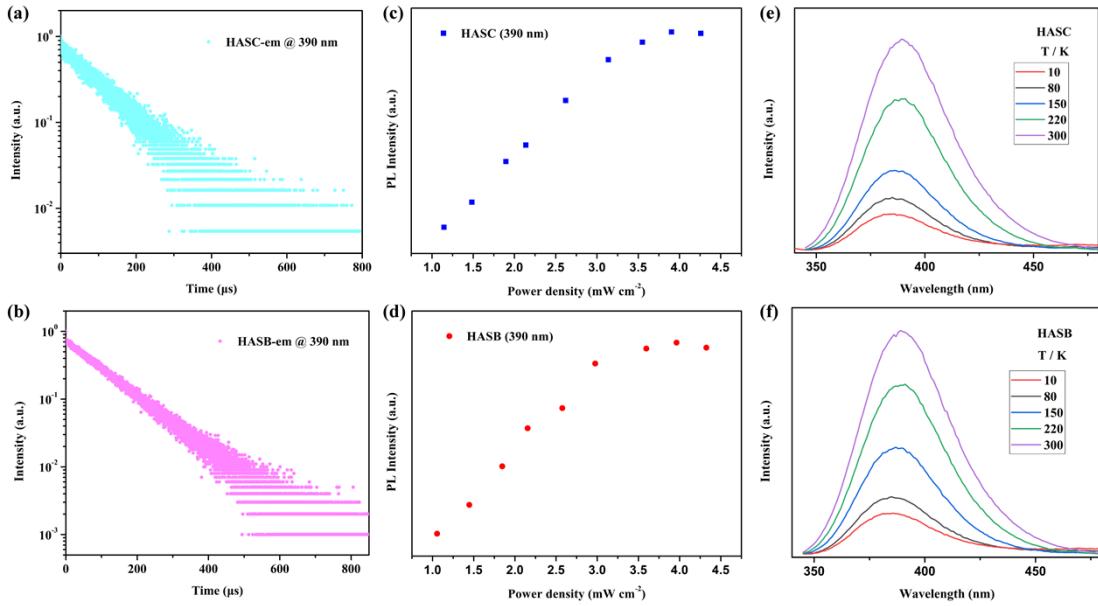


Figure S5. PL decay curves for (a) HASC and (b) HASB. The power-dependent PL intensity experimental results for (c) HASC and (d) HASB. PL spectra over the temperature range of 10–300 K for (e) HASC and (f) HASB.

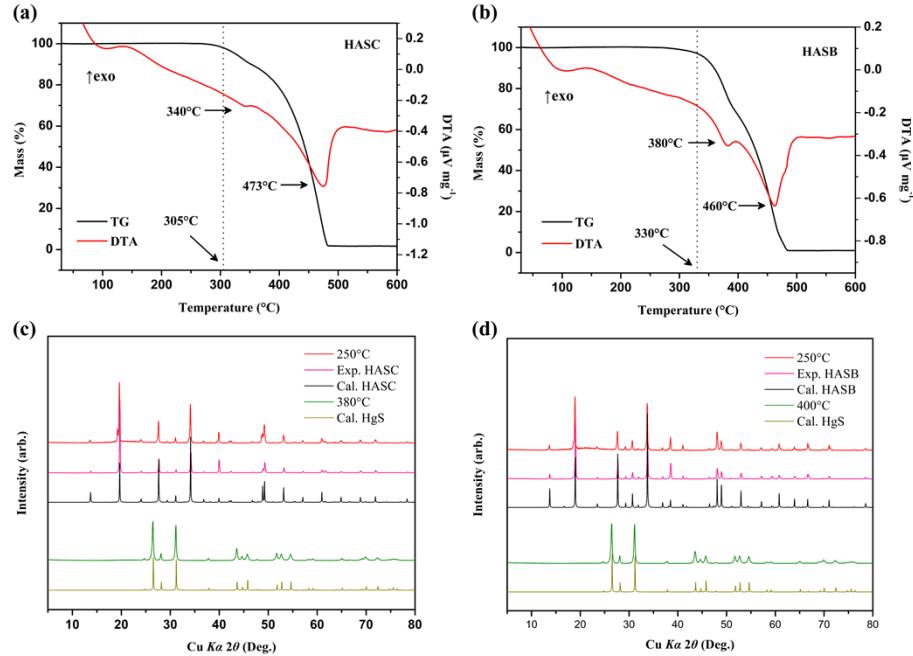


Figure S6. TG and DTA curves for (a) HASC and (b) HASB. The PXRD patterns at various temperatures for (c) HASC and (d) HASB.

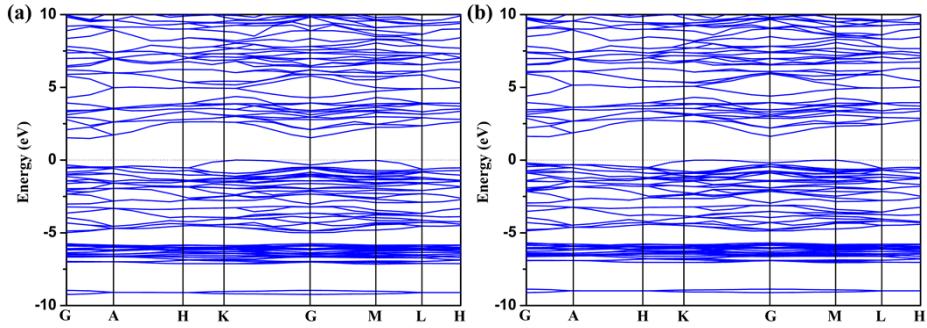


Figure S7. Calculated electronic band structure for (a) HASC and (b) HASB.

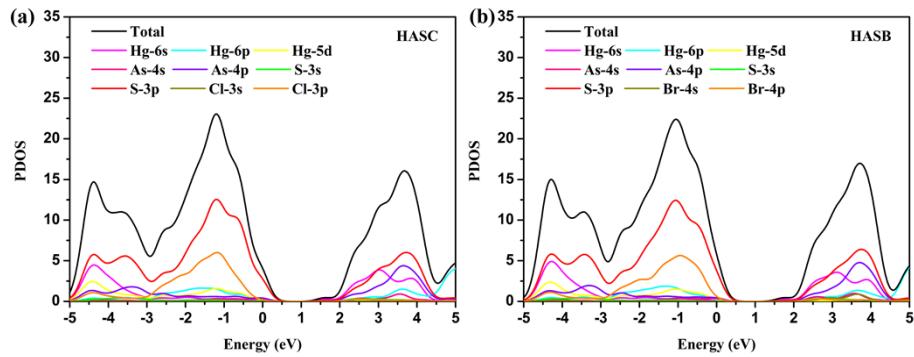


Figure S8. DOS and PDOS plots for (a) HASC and (b) HASB.

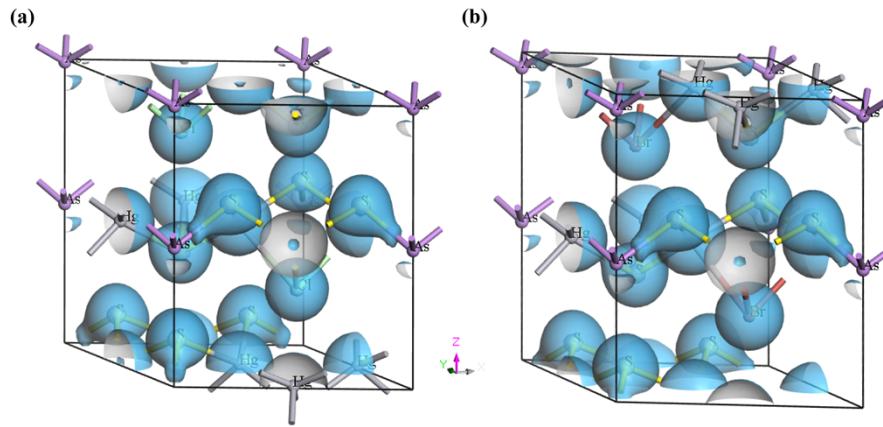


Figure S9. Electron density calculation for (a) HASC and (b) HASB.

The Anionic Group Theory Calculation

The macroscopic second-order susceptibility $\chi^{(2)}$ can be expressed as

$$\chi_{ijk}^{(2)} = \frac{F}{V} \sum_P \sum_{i'j'k'} \alpha_{ii'} \alpha_{jj'} \alpha_{kk'} \beta_{i'j'k'}^{(2)}(P), P = \text{unit} \quad (\text{S1})$$

In this expression, F denotes the correction factor of localized field, V presents the volume of the unit cell, $\alpha_{ii'}$, $\alpha_{jj'}$, and $\alpha_{kk'}$ denote the direction cosines between the macroscopic coordinate axes of the crystal and the microscopic coordinate axes groups, and $\beta_{i'j'k'}$ shows the microscopic second-order susceptibility tensors of each group.

(1) For HASC and HASB, the $[\text{HgS}_3]$ groups planar group in point group D_{3h} , which has two nonvanishing second-order susceptibilities, $\beta_{111}^{(2)} = -\beta_{122}^{(2)}$, according to the Kleinman approximation. The geometrical factor, g , can be derived as

$$\chi_{ijk}^{(2)} = \frac{F}{V} \cdot g_{ijk} \cdot \beta_{111}^{(2)}; (i, j, k = 1, 2, 3) \quad (\text{S2})$$

$$g_{ijk} = \sum_p^n [\alpha(i1)\alpha(j1)\alpha(k1) - \alpha(i1)\alpha(j2)\alpha(k2) \\ - \alpha(i2)\alpha(j1)\alpha(k2) - \alpha(i2)\alpha(j2)\alpha(k1)] \quad (\text{S3})$$

$$g = \max(g_{ijk}) \quad (\text{S4})$$

(2) For HASC and HASB, the $[\text{AsS}_3]$ groups are aberrant tetrahedrons with point group C_{4v} , which has two nonvanishing second-order susceptibilities, $\beta_{311}^{(2)}$ and $\beta_{333}^{(2)}$ according to the Kleinman approximation. Hence, the macroscopic second-order susceptibility, derived from the geometrical factor g , can be exhibited as

$$\chi_{ijk}^{(2)} = \frac{F}{V} \cdot (g'_{ijk} \cdot \beta_{311}^{(2)} + g''_{ijk} \cdot \beta_{333}^{(2)}); (i, j, k = 1, 2, 3) \quad (\text{S5})$$

$$g'_{ijk} = \sum_p^n 2 \cdot [\alpha(i3)\alpha(j1)\alpha(k1) + \alpha(i1)\alpha(j3)\alpha(k1) + \alpha(i1)\alpha(j1)\alpha(k3)] \quad (\text{S6})$$

$$g''_{ijk} = \sum_p^n [\alpha(i3)\alpha(j3)\alpha(k3)] \quad (\text{S7})$$

Here, the geometrical factor g can be derived from g'_{ijk} and g''_{ijk} according to the relationship between the two microscopic second-order susceptibility and the establishment of microscopic coordinate system for $[\text{AsS}_3]$ groups, which is based on the symmetry. The geometrical factor, g , can be derived as

$$g = \max(g_{ijk}) \quad (\text{S8})$$

Finally, in the case of unspontaneous polarization, the structural criterion C is defined as

$$C = \frac{g}{n} \quad (\text{S9})$$

Here, n denotes the number of anionic groups in a unit cell. Generally, the correction factor of localized field F is considered to be equal because of similar refractive indices. Therefore, the NLO coefficient is proportional to density of the group (n/V), the structural criterion (C), and microscopic second-order susceptibility tensors based on the above derivation.