

Supporting Information

Pressure induced superconductivity in ternary yttrium borohydride system

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Table S1. Detailed structural information and ΔH_c and ΔH_s of the predicted Y-B-H compounds at selected pressures. ΔH_c (in meV/atom), the distance of the given stoichiometry from the convex hull in the triangular phase diagrams. ΔH_s (in meV/atom), the distance of the given structure from the lowest enthalpy structure of the same stoichiometry.

Stoichio metry	Space group	Pressur e (GPa)	ΔH_c (meV/atom)	ΔH_s	Stoichio metry	Space group	Pressur e (GPa)	ΔH_c (meV/atom)	ΔH_s
YBH	R3m	50	13	0	YBH	P6/mmm	50	42	29
	R3m	100	63	63		P6/mmm	100	0	0
	R3m	150	142	142		P6/mmm	150	0	0
YBH ₂	Cmcm	50	0	0	YBH ₃	Ama2	50	74	0
	Cmcm	100	0	0		Ama2	100	43	0
	Cmcm	150	0	0		Ama2	150	20	0
YBH ₄	P3	50	60	0	YBH ₄	Amm2	50	56	116
	P3	100	115	70		Amm2	100	45	0
	P3	150	109	101		Amm2	150	8	0
YBH ₅	P3m1	50	57	0	YBH ₅	F-43m	50	71	14
	P3m1	100	36	0		F-43m	100	42	6
	P3m1	150	14	0		F-43m	150	29	15
YBH ₆	Pmna	50	24	0	YBH ₇	P1	50	17	0
	Pmna	100	20	0		P1	100	68	0
	Pmna	150	34	0		P1	150	56	0
YBH ₈	P1	50	18	0	YBH ₇	P-3m1	50	285	268
	P1	100	54	0		P-3m1	100	225	157
	P1	150	75	28		P-3m1	150	248	192
YBH ₈	Fm-3m	50	511	493	YBH ₈	Pm	50	59	41
	Fm-3m	100	418	364		Pm	100	56	2
	Fm-3m	150	294	247		Pm	150	47	0
YBH ₉	Pm	50	94	0	YBH ₉	Cm	50	180	86
	Pm	100	86	0		Cm	100	105	19
	Pm	150	101	17		Cm	150	84	0
YBH ₁₀	P1	50	0	0	YBH ₁₂	P1	50	37	0
	P1	100	0	0		P1	100	71	0
	P1	150	0	0		P1	150	72	0
YBH ₁₁	P1a	50	74	0	YBH ₁₁	P1b	50	100	26
	P1a	100	88	2		P1b	100	86	0
	P1a	150	92	32		P1b	150	60	0
YB ₂ H ₂	P6mm	50	178	0	YB ₂ H ₄	C2m	50	134	0
	P6mm	100	156	0		C2m	100	113	0
	P6mm	150	153	0		C2m P-	150	100	0
YB ₂ H ₆	C2	50	6	0	YB ₂ H ₁₀	3m1	50	0	0
	C2	100	0	0		P-3m1	100	21	0
	C2	150	0	0		P-3m1	150	39	0

YB ₂ H ₈	C2m	50	40	0	YB ₂ H ₈	P2	50	69	29
	C2m	100	94	73		P2	100	21	0
	C2m	150	143	104		P2	150	39	0
YB ₂ H ₁₂	P1	50	26	0	YB ₂ H ₁₂	Cm	50	189	163
	P1	100	179	131		Cm	100	47	0
	P1	150	491	431		Cm	150	60	0

Table S2. Detailed structural information of the predicted Y-B-H compounds at selected pressures.

Phases	Pressure (GPa)	Lattice parameters (Å)	Atomic coordinates (fractional)			
<i>R3m</i> YBH	50 GPa	a=b=3.179	B(3a)	0.667	0.333	0.079
		c=19.327	B(3a)	1.333	0.667	0.080
		$\alpha=\beta=90.000$	Y(3a)	1.000	0.000	-0.014
		$\gamma=120.000$	Y(3a)	1.000	1.000	0.171
			H(3a)	1.000	1.000	0.277
			H(3a)	1.333	1.667	0.239
<i>P6/mmm</i> -YBH	100 GPa	a=b=3.003	H(2d)	-1.667	-0.333	-0.500
		c=6.126	B(2c)	-0.667	-0.333	0.000
		$\alpha=\beta=90.000$	Y(2c)	-2.000	0.000	-0.718
		$\gamma=120$				
<i>Cmcm</i> -YBH ₂	50 GPa	a=3.457	H(4d)	1.000	-0.257	0.250
		b=11.275	H(4d)	0.500	-0.139	0.250
		c=3.139	B(4d)	1.000	-0.530	0.250
		$\alpha=\beta=\gamma=90.000$	Y(4c)	1.000	-0.131	-0.250
<i>P3m1</i> -YBH ₅	50	a= b=3.573	H(3d)	-1.038	-0.519	0.228
		c=3.530	H(1c)	-0.333	0.333	-0.262
		$\alpha=\beta=90.000$	H(1b)	-0.667	0.667	-0.215
		$\gamma=120.000$	B(1b)	-0.667	-0.333	0.132
			Y(1a)	0.000	0.000	-0.398
F-43m-YBH ₅	50 GPa	a=b=c=5.361	H(16e)	0.130	0.630	-0.130
		$\alpha=\beta=\gamma=90.000$	H(4d)	0.250	1.250	-0.250
			B(4b)	0.000	0.500	0.000
			Y(4a)	0.500	1.500	0.000
<i>P1</i> -YBH ₁₀	50 GPa	a=3.541	H(1a)	0.545	-0.470	0.591
		b=3.578	H(1a)	0.207	0.207	0.636
		c=5.043	H(1a)	0.732	0.223	0.323
		$\alpha=101.573$	H(1a)	0.173	0.324	0.358
		$\beta=92.734$	H(1a)	0.332	0.467	0.986
		$\gamma=60.402$	H(1a)	0.316	0.025	0.991
			H(1a)	0.872	-0.003	0.237
			H(1a)	0.475	-0.238	0.298
			H(1a)	0.128	0.501	0.282
			H(1a)	0.872	-0.518	0.988
			B(1a)	0.499	-0.316	0.061
			Y(1a)	0.870	-0.106	0.701
<i>P-3m1</i> -YB ₂ H ₁₀	50 GPa	a=b=3.649	H(16c)	-0.133	0.133	-0.133
		c=5.338	H(6i)	-0.968	-1.484	0.726
		$\alpha=\beta=90.000$	H(2d)	-1.333	-0.667	0.011
		$\gamma=120.000$	H(2c)	-1.000	-1.000	0.073
			B(2d)	-1.333	-1.6676	0.796

			Y(1b)	-1.000	-1.000	0.500
<i>C2</i> -YB ₂ H ₆	50 GPa	a=8.371	H(4c)	0.168	0.156	-0.175
		b=3.449	H(4c)	0.648	1.285	0.143
		c=3.573	H(4c)	0.207	0.292	0.366
		$\alpha=\gamma=90.000$	B(4c)	0.109	0.124	0.083
		$\beta=111.099$	Y(2b)	0.500	1.108	0.500
<i>P</i> ₁ -YB ₂ H ₁₂	50 GPa	a=4.782	H(1a)	0.152	-0.152	0.243
		b=3.538	H(1a)	0.246	0.728	0.306
		c=4.756	H(1a)	0.412	0.863	0.611
		$\alpha=73.320$	H(1a)	0.975	0.475	0.731
		$\beta=99.695$	H(1a)	0.569	0.474	0.137
		$\gamma=73.077$	H(1a)	0.390	0.093	0.504
			H(1a)	0.624	0.448	0.533
			H(1a)	0.263	0.895	0.928
			H(1a)	0.370	0.438	0.783
			H(1a)	0.770	0.897	0.429
			H(1a)	0.238	0.307	0.153
			H(1a)	0.991	0.304	0.399
			B(1a)	0.750	0.273	0.379
			B(1a)	0.215	0.269	0.912
			Y(1a)	0.794	0.907	0.957

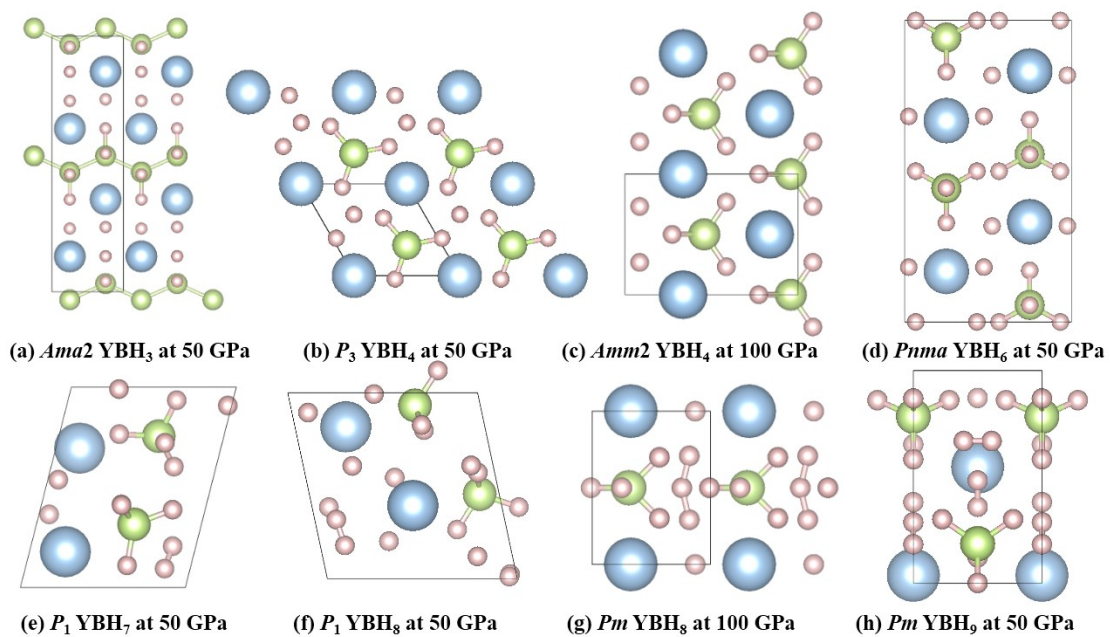


Fig. S1. Structures of the metastable phases of ternary Y-B-H compounds at high pressure. The blue, green and pink spheres represent the Y, B and H atoms, respectively.

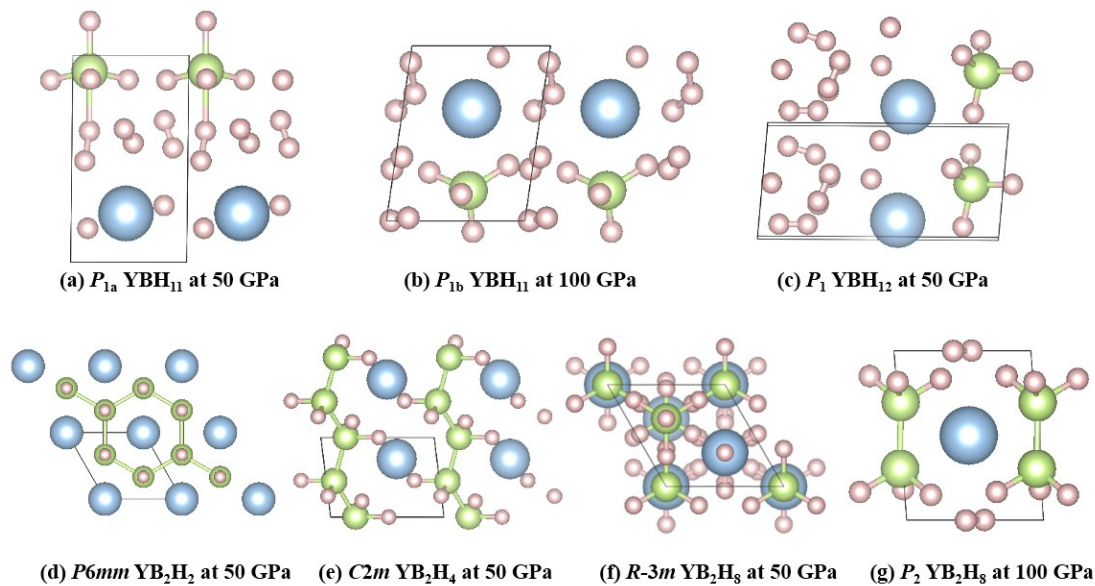


Fig. S2. Structures of the metastable phases of ternary Y-B-H compounds at high pressure. The blue, green and pink spheres represent the Y, B and H atoms, respectively.

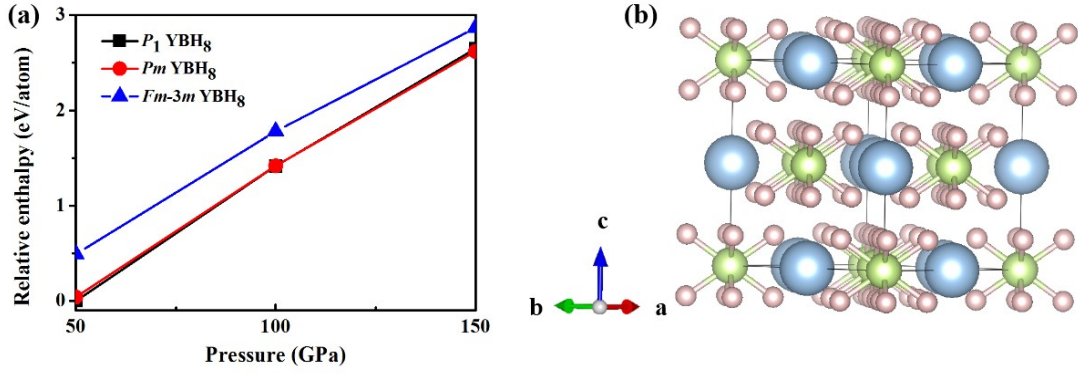


Fig. S3. (a) Calculated relative formation enthalpy per atom of YBH_8 at the different pressures. (b) Structure of $Fm-3m \text{YBH}_8$ at 50 GPa. The blue, green and pink spheres represent the Y, B and H atoms, respectively.

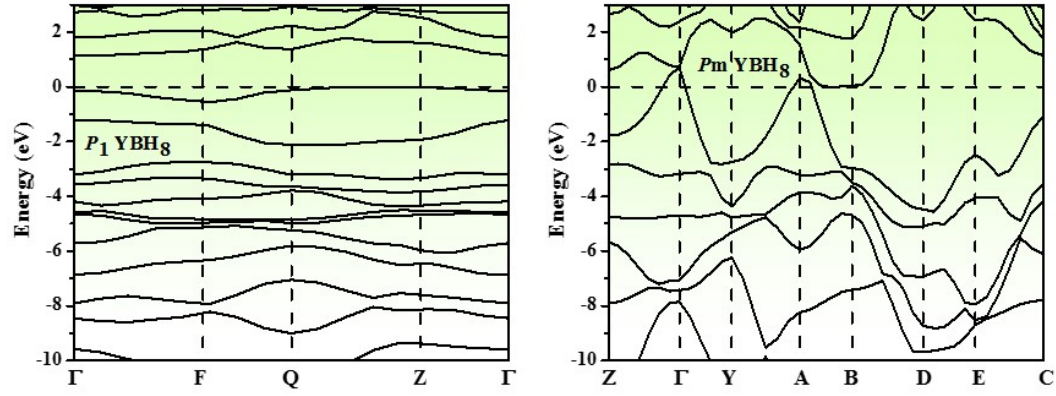


Fig. S4. Electronic band structures of $P_1 \text{YBH}_8$ at 50 GPa and $Pm \text{YBH}_8$ at 100 GPa.

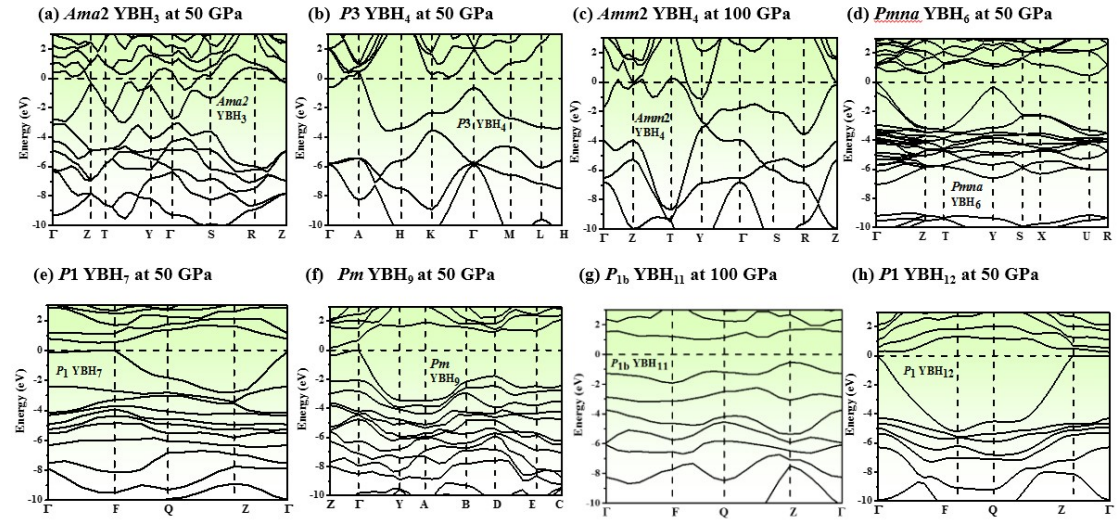


Fig. S5. Electronic band structures of some metastable phases of ternary Y-B-H compounds under specified pressure.

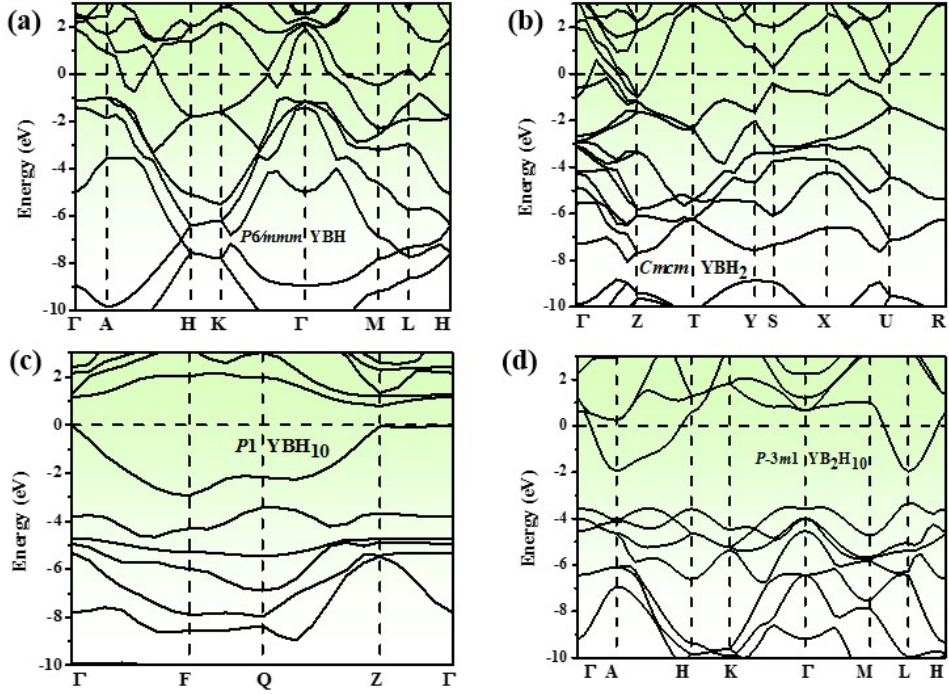


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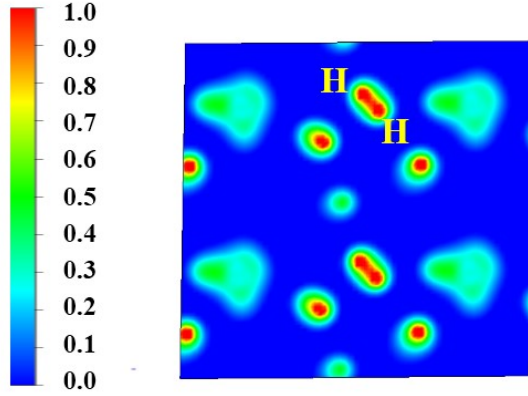


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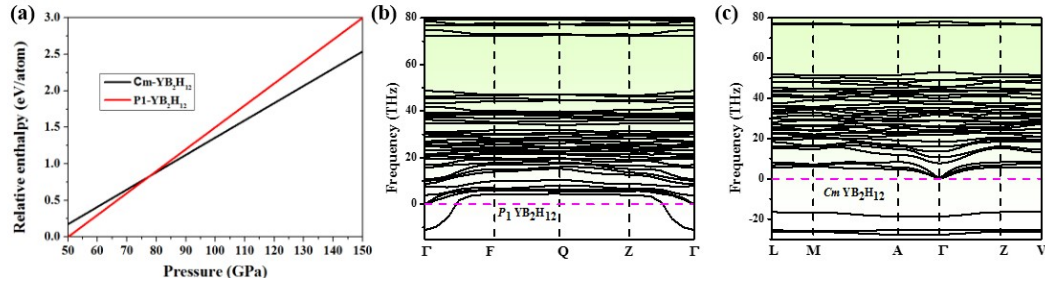


Fig. S8 (a) Calculated relative formation enthalpy per atom of YB₂H₁₂ at the different pressures. (b) and (c) The phonon dispersion curves for P_1 -YB₂H₁₂ and Cm -YB₂H₁₂ at 100 GPa.

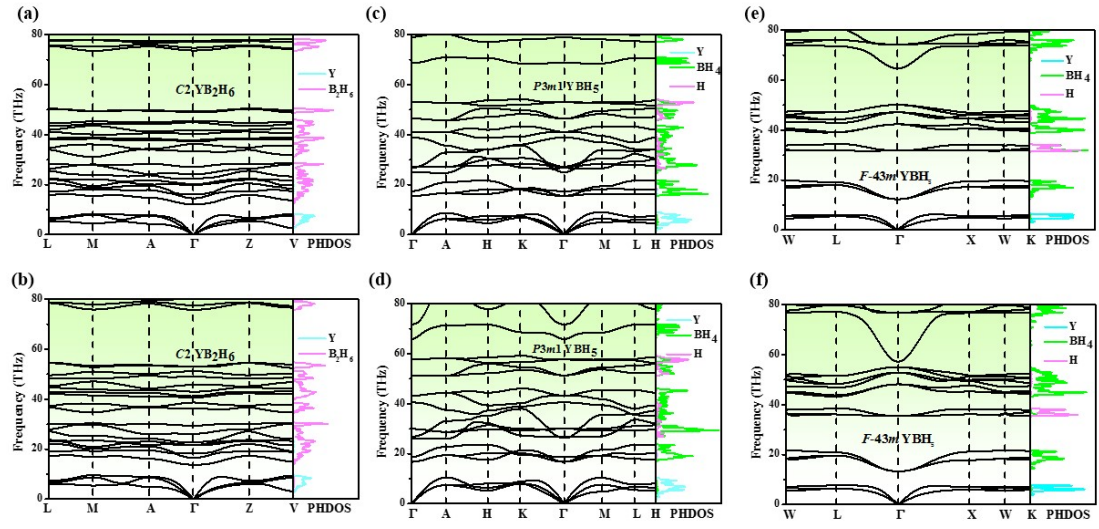


Fig. S9. Calculated phonon band structures and phonon density of states of Y-B-H compounds. (a) and (b) for $C2YB_2H_6$ at 100 GPa and 150 GPa, (c) and (d) for $P3m1YBH_5$ at 100 GPa and 150 GPa, (e) and (f) for $F-43mYBH_5$ at 100 GPa and 150 GPa.

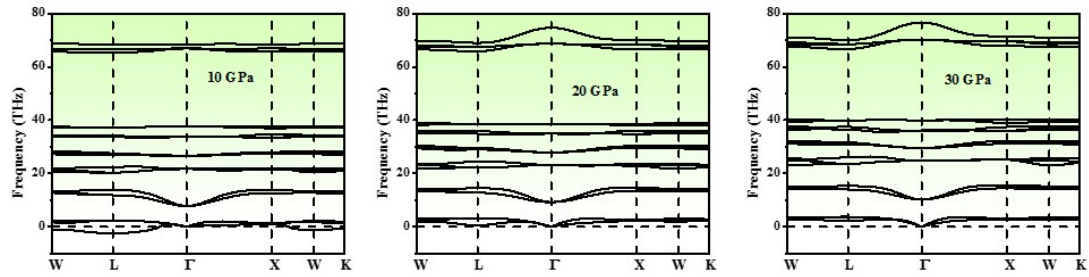


Fig. S10 Phonon spectrum of $F-43mYBH_5$ at 10, 20 and 30 GPa.

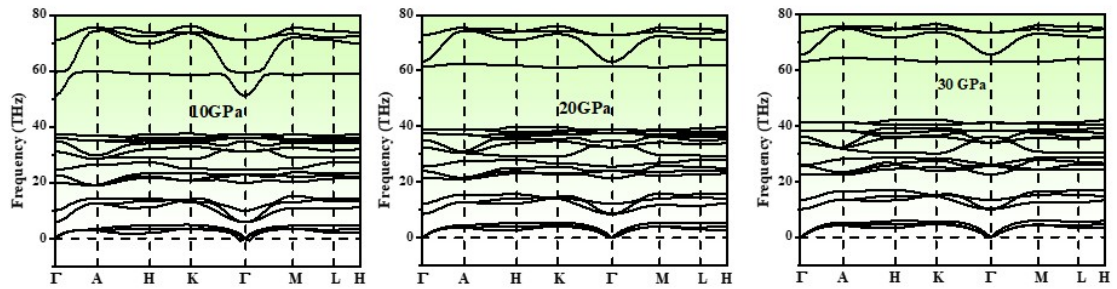


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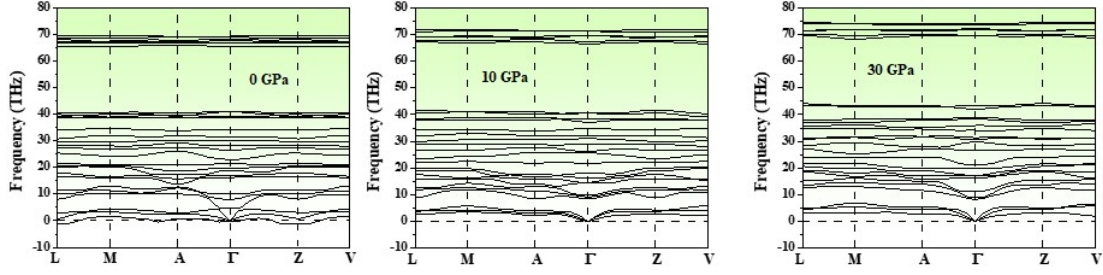


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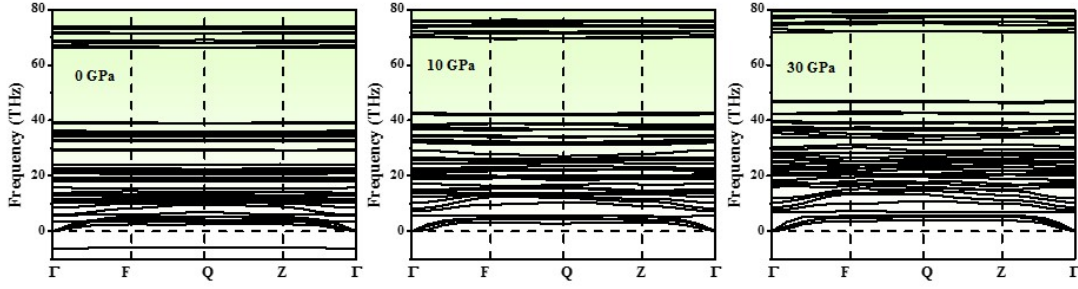


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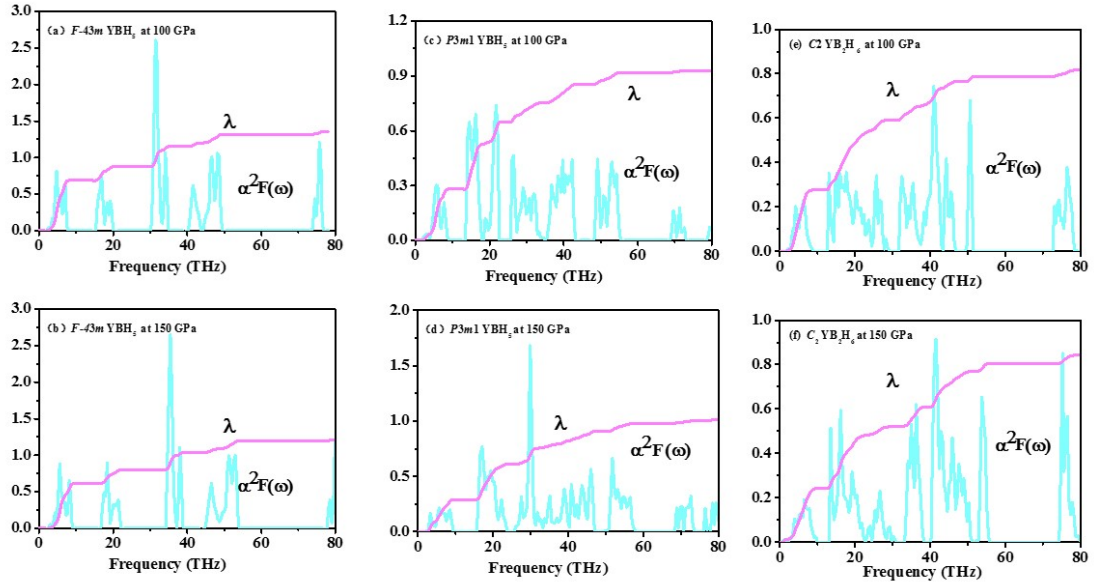


Fig. S14. The Eliashberg phonon spectral function, $\alpha^2 F(\omega)$, and the partial electron-phonon integral, $\lambda(\omega)$, for the Y-B-H system at 150 GPa and 100 GPa. (a) and (b) for *F*-43*m* YBH₅, (c) and (d) *P*3*m*1 YBH₅, (e) and (f) C2 YB₂H₆.

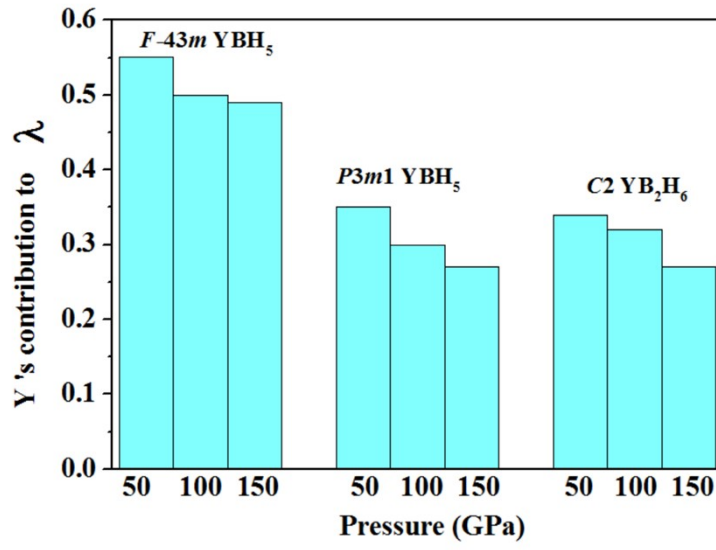


Fig. S15. The contribution of Y to λ for $F-43m$ YBH_5 , $P3m1$ YBH_5 and $C2$ YB_2H_6 at 50, 100 GPa and 150 GPa.