

Electronic supplementary information

Mercury thioarsenate glasses: a hybrid chain/pyramidal network

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Table S1 Conductivity parameters for the HgS-As₂S₃ glasses: the room-temperature conductivity σ_{298} , the activation energy E_σ , and the pre-exponential factor σ_0

HgS concentration (mol.%)	$\log \sigma_{298}$ (S cm ⁻¹)	E_σ (eV)	$\log \sigma_0$ (S cm ⁻¹ K)
10	-15.41 (2)	0.972 (10)	3.45 (12)
20	-15.74 (6)	1.081 (20)	4.95 (24)
30	-16.56 (3)	1.184 (10)	5.86 (12)
40	-16.12 (5)	1.105 (15)	4.99 (18)
50*	-15.65 (4)	1.051 (14)	4.54 (18)

Uncertainties in the last digit(s) of the parameter are given in parentheses

* glassy/crystalline sample

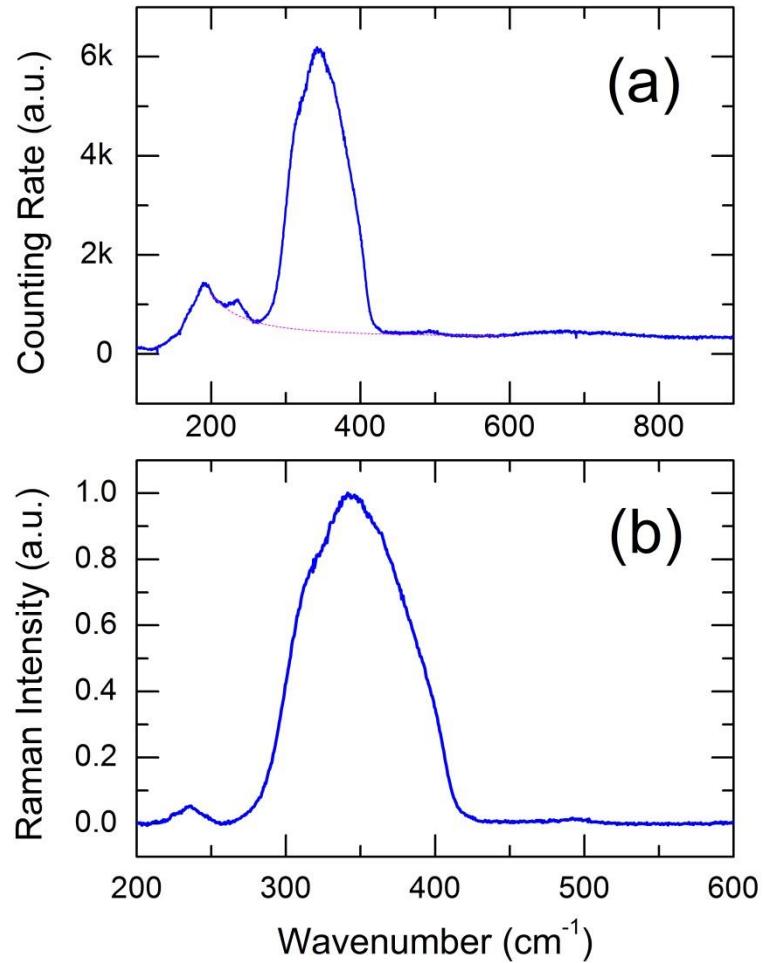
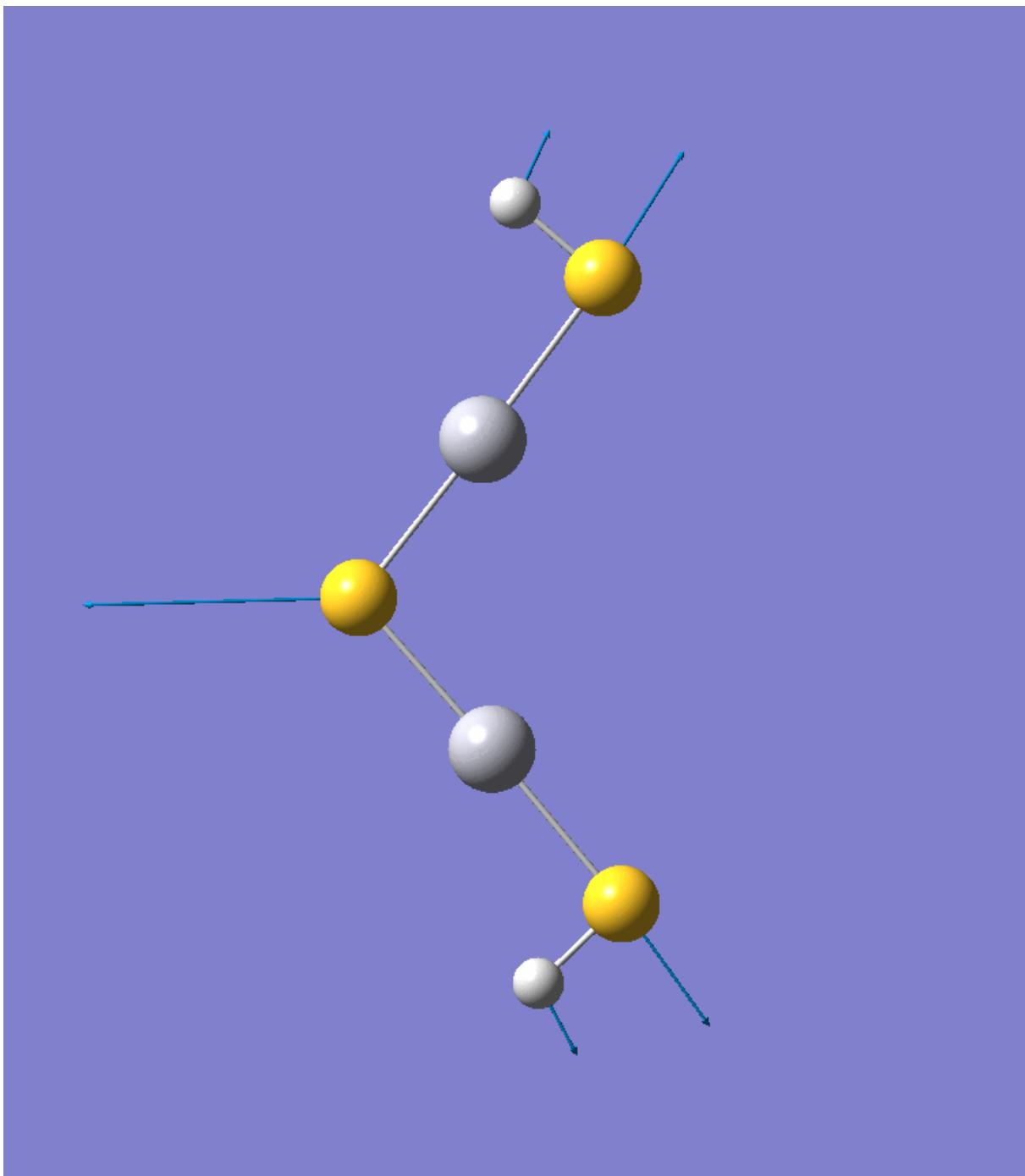


Fig. S1 (a) Typical raw Raman spectra of the $(\text{HgS})_x(\text{As}_2\text{S}_3)_{1-x}$ glasses taking the $x = 0.1$ sample as an example. The spectral background over the $200\text{-}600\text{ cm}^{-1}$ range was approximated by a Voigt function (dashed line). (b) The resulting Raman spectrum for the $x = 0.1$ glass after background subtraction and normalisation to the most intense spectral feature at 340 cm^{-1} .

Supplementary movies

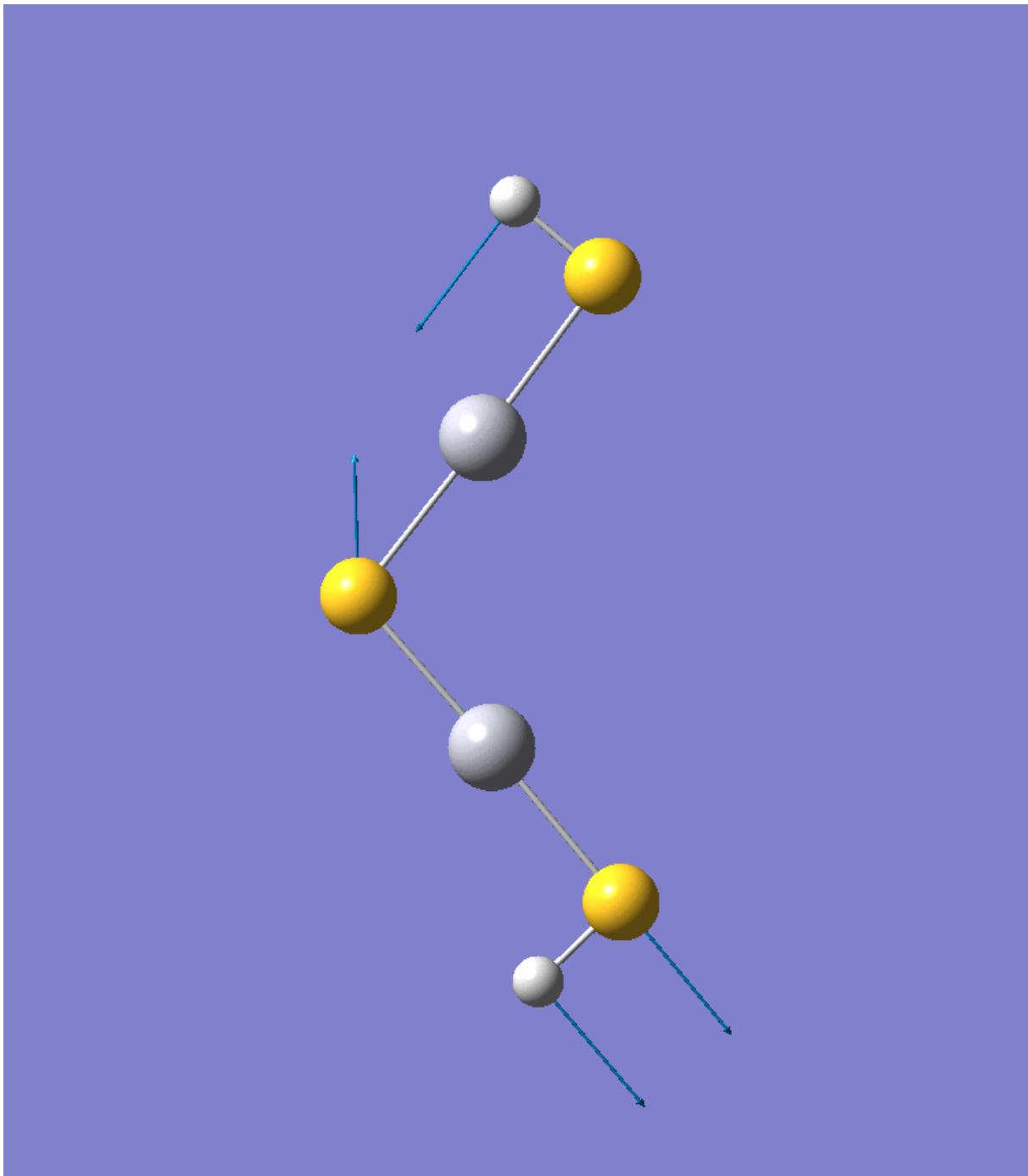
Supplementary movie SM1

Symmetric in-phase Hg-S stretching in $\text{Hg}_2\text{S}_3\text{H}_2$ oligomer at 306 cm^{-1}



Supplementary movie SM2

Symmetric out-of-phase Hg-S stretching in $\text{Hg}_2\text{S}_3\text{H}_2$ oligomer at 325 cm^{-1}



Supplementary movie SM3

Asymmetric in-phase Hg-S stretching in $\text{Hg}_2\text{S}_3\text{H}_2$ oligomer at 355 cm^{-1}

