# Narrow Bandgap Covalent Organic Frameworks with Strong Optical Response in the Visible and Infrared 

## Supporting Information

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Table S1. Optimized equilibrium lattice constant ( $a(\AA)$ ), bulk modulus ( $B_{0}(\mathrm{GPa})$ ), and its pressure derivative $\left(B_{0}{ }^{\prime}\right)$ for novel materials $\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}(\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{C} / \mathrm{Si} ; \mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge}, \mathrm{Sn}$, and Pb$)$ as well as prototypical MOF-5.

| $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ | $\boldsymbol{a}(\mathbf{\AA})$ | $\boldsymbol{B}_{\boldsymbol{0}}(\mathbf{G P a})^{a}$ | $\boldsymbol{B}_{\boldsymbol{0}}{ }^{\boldsymbol{a}}{ }^{a}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C})$ | 24.4264 | $22.62(22.64)[22.64]$ | $3.64(3.66)[3.67]$ |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si})$ | 24.6751 | $21.75(21.77)[21.77]$ | $3.73(3.74)[3.74]$ |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | 24.7173 | $21.68(21.70)[21.69]$ | $2.99(3.01)[2.99]$ |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | 24.8698 | $21.16(21.18)[21.18]$ | $3.60(3.62)[3.62]$ |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb})$ | 24.9207 | $21.14(21.15)[21.15]$ | $3.08(3.10)[3.11]$ |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C})$ | 25.8190 | $19.44(19.45)[19.44]$ | $2.33(2.35)[2.35]$ |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si})$ | 26.1963 | $18.63(18.64)[18.64]$ | $3.32(3.34)[3.33]$ |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | 26.2123 | $18.55(18.56)[18.57]$ | $3.63(3.65)[3.66]$ |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | 26.3780 | $18.00(18.01)[18.02]$ | $3.49(3.51)[3.50]$ |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb})$ | 26.4125 | $17.96(17.97)[17.97]$ | $3.54(3.55)[3.55]$ |
| $\mathrm{MOF}-5$ | $<25.6690>^{b}<25.8849>^{c} 26.0443^{d}$ | $15.37(15.37)[15.37]^{d}$ | $5.06(5.13)[5.17]^{d}$ |

${ }^{a}$ Data without brackets from Murnaghan EOS; data (in parentheses) from Birch-Murnaghan $3{ }^{\text {rd }}$-order EOS; data [in brackets] from Universal EOS. ${ }^{b}$ and ${ }^{c}$ The lattice parameters of single crystals of assynthesized and fully desolvated MOF-5 from ref $^{1}$, respectively. ${ }^{d}$ The calculated lattice parameter and bulk modulus of MOF-5 from PAW-PBE VASP calculations in ref ${ }^{2}$.


Figure S1. The electronic band structure of ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si}$ ). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S2. The electronic band structure of (C, Ge). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S3. The electronic band structure of (C, Sn). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S4. The electronic band structure of ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb}$ ). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S5. The electronic band structure of ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C}$ ). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S6. The electronic band structure of ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si}$ ). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S7. The electronic band structure of ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge} \mathrm{)}$. valence band maximum.


Figure S8. The electronic band structure of ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn}$ ). The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.


Figure S9. The electronic band structure of $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb})$. The Fermi level is set to zero and placed in the valence band maximum.

Table S2. Estimated band gap values (Theo. $E_{g}(\mathrm{in} \mathrm{eV})$ ) for the novel materials $\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}$ $\left(\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{C} / \mathrm{Si} ; \mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge}, \mathrm{Sn}\right.$, and Pb ), experimental and theoretical band gap values (Exp. $E_{g}$ ) for prototypical MOF-5, as well as the corresponding wavelength ( $\lambda \mathrm{in} \mathrm{nm}$ ) of absorption lights. Note that $\lambda$ $=h c / E$ in $\mathrm{nm} ; h$ is Planck constant (in eV•s), $c$ is the speed of light (i.e., $3 \times 10^{8} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ or $3 \times 10^{17} \mathrm{~nm} / \mathrm{s}$ ), $E$ is the energy (in eV ), here corresponding to a certain band gap of a specific material.

| $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})$ | $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{g}}{ }^{\mathbf{}}$ | $\lambda^{1}$ | $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{g}}{ }^{\mathbf{}}$ | $\lambda^{\mathbf{2}}$ | $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{g}}{ }^{\mathbf{}}$ | $\lambda^{3}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C})$ | 0.736 | 1685.7 | 1.235 | 1005.0 | 1.375 | 902.5 |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si})$ | 0.729 | 1701.9 | 1.162 | 1068.1 | 0.886 | 1399.7 |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | 0.727 | 1706.6 | 1.158 | 1071.1 | 1.469 | 844.6 |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | 0.721 | 1720.8 | 1.122 | 1105.8 | 1.391 | 892.2 |
| $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb})$ | 0.718 | 1728.0 | 1.107 | 1120.7 | 0.754 | 1644.7 |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C})$ | 0.760 | 1632.5 | 1.224 | 1013.4 | 1.386 | 895.1 |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si})$ | 0.753 | 1647.7 | 1.189 | 1043.2 | 1.049 | 1182.6 |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | 0.755 | 1643.3 | 1.201 | 1032.7 | 1.284 | 966.6 |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | 0.751 | 1652.1 | 1.199 | 1034.9 | 0.967 | 1283.4 |
| $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb})$ | 0.750 | 1654.3 | 1.202 | 1031.9 | 0.857 | 1447.3 |
| MOF-5 | $3.558^{a}$ | 348.7 |  |  |  |  |
| MOF-5 | $3.4-4.0^{b}$ | $364.9-310.2$ |  |  |  |  |

${ }^{a}$ The theoretical band gap of MOF-5 and threshold absorption wavelength, from ref. ${ }^{2,3}$
${ }^{b}$ The experimental band gaps of MOF-5 and threshold absorption wavelength, from ref. ${ }^{4-6}$


Figure S10. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si}$ ) in the cubic $F m$-3m symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S11. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for (C, Ge) in the cubic Fm-3m symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S12. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn}$ ) in the cubic Fm -3m symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S13. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb}$ ) in the cubic $F m-3 m$ symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S14. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C}$ ) in the cubic Fm -3m symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S15. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si}$ ) in the cubic Fm-3m symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S16. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge}$ ) in the cubic Fm-3m symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S17. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn})$ in the cubic $F m-3 m$ symmetry (no. 225)


Figure S18. The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb}$ ) in the cubic $F m-3 m$ symmetry (no. 225)

(a)

(b)


Figure S19. Calculated charge density (a) in e/ $/ \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in e/ $\AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si}$ ) in the (110) plane.


Figure S20. Calculated charge density (a) in e $/ \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in e $/ \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for (C, Ge ) in the (110) plane.


Figure S21. Calculated charge density (a) in e/ $/ \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in e/ $\AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn}$ ) in the (110) plane.


Figure S22. Calculated charge density (a) in $\mathrm{e} / \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in $\mathrm{e} / \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for ( $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb}$ ) in the (110) plane.


Figure S23. Calculated charge density (a) in $e / \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in $e / \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C}$ ) in the (110) plane.

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-0.05
(b)

(c)

Figure S24. Calculated charge density (a) in e $/ \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in e $/ \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si})$ in the (110) plane.


Figure S25. Calculated charge density (a) in e/ $/ \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in e $/ \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge})$ in the (110) plane.


Figure S26. Calculated charge density (a) in e $/ \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in $e / \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn}$ ) in the (110) plane.


Figure S27. Calculated charge density (a) in $e / \AA^{3}$, charge transfer (b) in $e / \AA^{3}$, and electron localization function (c) plots for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb}$ ) in the (110) plane.

Table S3. The calculated enthalpies of formation $\left(\Delta \mathrm{H} ; \mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{mol}^{-1} f \cdot u^{-1}\right)$ according to eq 1 for the $\left[\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}\right](\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{C} / \mathrm{Si} ; \mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge}, \mathrm{Sn}$, and Pb$)$ compounds. 1f.u. $=$ $\left[\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}\right]$

| $\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\Delta \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{mol}^{-1} f . u^{-1}\right)$ | -27.586 | -27.88 | -26.94 | -22.90 | -19.43 |
| $\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb})$ |
| $\Delta \mathrm{H}\left(\mathrm{kJ} \mathrm{mol}^{-1} f . u^{-1}\right)$ | -51.55 | -46.74 | -46.895 | -42.54 | -40.08 |



Figure S28. Calculated optical properties for (C, C): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S29. Calculated optical properties for (C, Si): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S30. Calculated optical properties for (C, Ge): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S31. Calculated optical properties for (C, Sn): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $\mathrm{L}(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S32. Calculated optical properties for (C, Pb): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S33. Calculated optical properties for (Si, C): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S34. Calculated optical properties for (Si, Si): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S35. Calculated optical properties for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge):} \mathrm{(a)} \mathrm{dielectric} \mathrm{function} \varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S36. Calculated optical properties for (Si, Sn): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.


Figure S37. Calculated optical properties for ( $\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb}$ ): (a) dielectric function $\varepsilon(\omega)$, (b) reflectivity $R(\omega)$, (c) refractive index $\mathbf{n}(\omega)$; extinction coefficient $\mathbf{k}(\omega)$, (d) optical conductivity $\sigma(\omega)$, (e) energy loss function $L(\omega)$, and (f) absorption $\alpha(\omega)$.

Table S4. Optical constants at infinite wavelength or zero energy: $\varepsilon_{1}(0), R(0), n(0)$, and the maximum peaks of imaginary part of dielectric function $\varepsilon_{2}(\omega)$, extinction coefficient $k(\omega)$, the real part of optical conductivity $\operatorname{Re}(\sigma)$, electron energy-loss function $L(\omega)$, absorption coefficient $\alpha(\omega)$ for the whole $\left[\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}\right](\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{C} / \mathrm{Si} ; \mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Pb})$ series as well as that of MOF-5 for a comparison.

| $(\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{C})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Si})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | $(\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Pb})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{C})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Si})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Ge})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Sn})$ | $(\mathrm{Si}, \mathrm{Pb})$ | $\mathrm{MOF}-5$ |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\varepsilon_{1}(0)$ | 2.72308 | 2.7168 | 2.71297 | 2.70406 | 2.7329 | 2.48649 | 2.4559 | 2.4557 | 2.45057 | 2.4584 | 1.5286 |
| $R(0)$ | 0.060373 | 0.059881 | 0.059881 | 0.059278 | 0.060598 | 0.049988 | 0.048926 | 0.048819 | 0.048555 | 0.048985 | 0.011244 |
| $n(0)$ | 1.65017 | 1.64828 | 1.6471 | 1.6444 | 1.65315 | 1.57686 | 1.56714 | 1.56707 | 1.5654 | 1.5679 | 1.2364 |
| $\varepsilon_{2}(\omega)$ | 1.95615 | 1.9137 | 1.9042 | 1.88017 | 1.8738 | 1.6675 | 1.59662 | 1.59154 | 1.5615 | 1.5569 | 0.8023 |
| $\omega$ | 2.3977 | 2.3805 | 2.37615 | 2.35304 | 2.3437 | 2.37079 | 2.41666 | 2.41595 | 2.39718 | 2.3922 | 15.0417 |
| $k(\omega)$ | 0.60469 | 0.59518 | 0.5927 | 0.5879 | 0.5834 | 0.56839 | 0.56656 | 0.56797 | 0.5684 | 0.5675 | 0.3739 |
| $\omega$ | 2.55174 | 2.53184 | 2.52719 | 2.5026 | 2.5175 | 14.87597 | 15.0001 | 14.9957 | 14.9242 | 14.91587 | 15.2575 |
| $R e(\sigma)$ | 2.40679 | 2.3073 | 2.3279 | 2.30487 | 2.31108 | 2.2289 | 2.21378 | 2.21375 | 2.20048 | 2.20225 | 1.4635 |
| $\omega$ | 14.97803 | 14.78799 | 14.88656 | 14.9656 | 14.9061 | 14.61885 | 14.74795 | 14.7207 | 14.6741 | 14.6663 | 15.1376 |
| $L(\omega)$ | 0.96313 | 0.99048 | 1.00738 | 1.0052 | 0.96076 | 0.89498 | 0.9069 | 0.91166 | 0.9151 | 0.9061 | 0.6046 |
| $\omega$ | 19.7534 | 19.2264 | 19.3923 | 19.1781 | 18.9528 | 18.47558 | 17.65887 | 17.7453 | 17.1977 | 17.13928 | 16.4802 |
| $\alpha(\omega)$ | 149054.6 | 142761.8 | 145341.2 | 145596.4 | 144318.6 | 137225.4 | 137814.8 | 138076.7 | 137578.5 | 137208.9 | 92324.8 |
| $\omega$ | 15.3888 | 15.46888 | 15.49069 | 15.51397 | 15.4771 | 15.06296 | 15.1605 | 15.15606 | 15.0833 | 15.0747 | 15.3774 |





Figure S38. The special values of optical constants for the whole $\left(\mathrm{X}_{4} \mathrm{Y}\right)\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{6}-\mathrm{BO}_{2}\right)_{3}$, ( $\mathrm{X}=\mathrm{C} / \mathrm{Si} ; \mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Pb}$ ) series as well as that of MOF- 5 for a comparison. we display the $\varepsilon_{1}(0)$, $R(0), n(0)$ in (a), (c), (d), respectively; the maximum peak of $\varepsilon_{2}(\omega), k(\omega), \operatorname{Re}(\sigma), L(\omega)$, and $\alpha(\omega)$ in (b), (e), (f), (g), and (h), respectively.

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