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Ferroelastic Domains and Phase Transitions in Organic-Inorganic Hybrid Perovskite CH₃NH₃PbBr₃

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Table S1. Permissible extinction directions and orientations of ferroelastic domain walls which can be observed by polarized light microscope in (001), (110) and (111) crystal plates after transformation from cubic $m\bar{3}m$ phase to different ferroelastic phases: tetragonal (T), rhombohedral (R), orthorhombic (O_P and O_S). δ is the angle between crossed polarizers and $\langle 100 \rangle$ directions for (001) plates and the angle between crossed polarizers and $[\bar{1}10]$ direction for (110) and (111) plates at which the extinction is observed; a filled circle (\bullet) indicates the possibility of domains which are in extinction at any δ ; a crossed circle (\oplus) indicates the possibility of regions without extinction at any δ . The φ is a permissible angle between a domain wall on the crystal surface and $\langle 100 \rangle$ or $\langle \bar{1}10 \rangle$ directions (walls which are *not* perpendicular to a crystal surface are listed in brackets); angle φ_1 (for S walls) may adopt any values, except for 0° , 90° and $\pm 45^\circ$.

Phase	100		110		111	
	δ	φ	δ	φ	δ	φ
T	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \bullet$	$(0^\circ/90^\circ), \pm 45^\circ$	$0^\circ/90^\circ$	$90^\circ, (\pm 35^\circ)$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, \pm 60^\circ, \oplus$	$(0^\circ), 90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, (\pm 60^\circ)$
R	$\pm 45^\circ$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, (0^\circ/90^\circ), \pm 45^\circ$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 35^\circ, \pm 55^\circ, \oplus$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, (90^\circ), (\pm 35^\circ), (\pm 55^\circ)$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, \pm 60^\circ, \oplus, \bullet$	$(0^\circ), 90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, (\pm 60^\circ)$
O_P	$0^\circ/90^\circ$	$(0^\circ/90^\circ), \pm 45^\circ$	$0^\circ/90^\circ$	$90^\circ, (\pm 35^\circ)$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, \pm 60^\circ, \oplus$	$(0^\circ), 90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, (\pm 60^\circ)$
O_S	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 45^\circ, \oplus$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, (0^\circ/90^\circ), \pm 45^\circ, (\pm 45^\circ), (\pm \varphi_1), (90^\circ \pm \varphi_1)$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 35^\circ, \pm 55^\circ$	$0^\circ, (0^\circ), 90^\circ, (90^\circ), (\pm 35^\circ), (\pm 55^\circ), \pm \varphi_1$	$0^\circ/90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, \pm 60^\circ, \oplus$	$(0^\circ), 90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ, (\pm 60^\circ), (\pm 30^\circ \pm \varphi_1), (90^\circ \pm \varphi_1)$

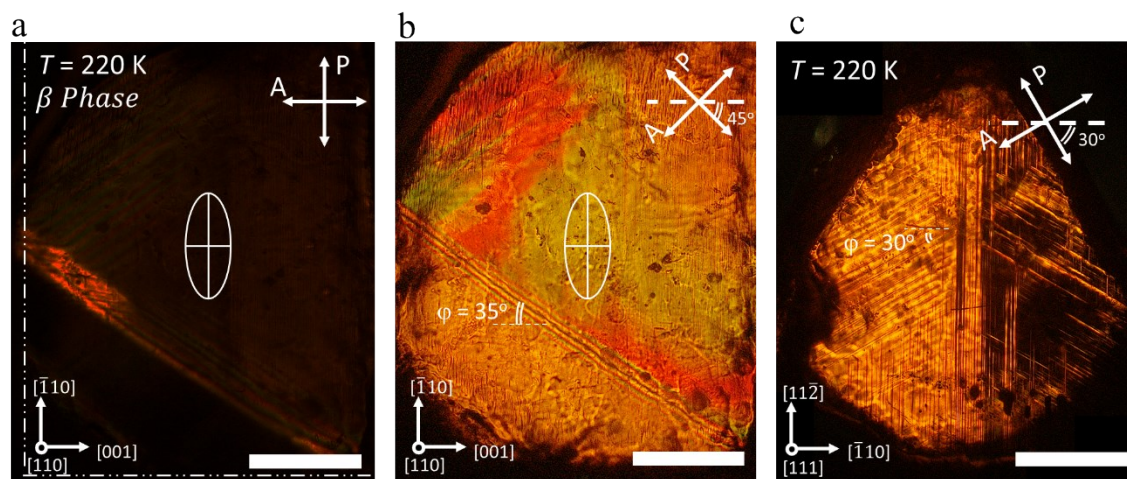


Figure S1. The domain structure of (110) MAPbBr₃ plate polished to the thickness of $t \approx 0.2$ mm in β phase with crossed polarizers (a) parallel to and (b) at a $\delta = 45^\circ$ to the $\langle 100 \rangle$. A bright stripe-like area appears along the domain wall with angle $\varphi = 35^\circ$, which is the result of the light refraction on the inclined domain wall formed between two domains. The extinction angle of $\delta = 0/90^\circ$ and domain wall angle of $\varphi = 35^\circ$ are compatible with T phase. (c) The (111) plate in β phase with crossed polarizers at $\delta = 30^\circ$ to the $\langle \bar{1}10 \rangle$ direction. The crystal shows extinction at the positions of polarizers separated by the angle of $\delta = 30^\circ$ to $\langle \bar{1}10 \rangle$, which is allowed at any crystal symmetry according to Table S1. The crystal contains a large number of fine laminar domains with the size of ~ 20 μm , oriented at angles $\varphi \approx 90^\circ, \pm 30^\circ$ to $\langle \bar{1}10 \rangle$, which also can exist in any system. The temperature, the directions of crystallographic axes, indicatrix axis, polarizer directions, and the angles (δ, φ) are indicated, scale bars, 500 μm .

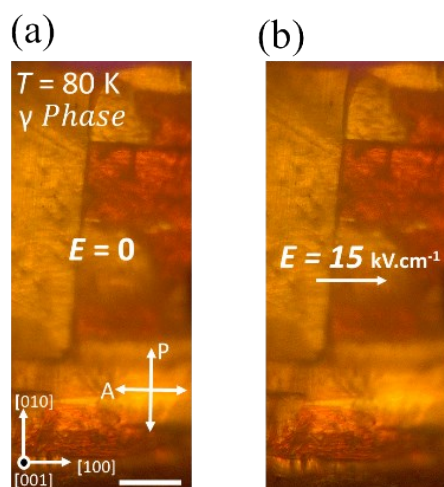


Figure S2. PLM images of a (001) oriented MAPbBr₃ crystal observed at 80 K in γ phase before (a) and after (b) application of an electric field $E = 15$ kV cm^{-1} along the [100] direction. The directions of crystallographic axes, the electric field, and the polarizers are indicated; scale bars = 200 μm

Movie S1. Application of electric field of 8 kV/cm in β phase of MAPbBr₃ crystal at 230 K. The Joule heating leads to the tetragonal-cubic transition, and after removing the field, the crystal returns to the tetragonal phase.