Supporting information

Formation of $PbCl_2$ -type AHF (A = Ca, Sr, Ba) with

Partial Anion Order at High Pressure

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Figure S1. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for SrHF synthesized at 1 GPa. The green ticks are SrH_2 (8.6%) and SrO (2.9%) as impurities.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	У	Ζ	$B_{ m iso}$ (Å ²)	g
Sr	4 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.80(1)	1#
Н	8 <i>c</i>	0.25	0.25	0.25	1.87(1)**	0.351*
F	8 <i>c</i>	0.25	0.25	0.25	1.87(1)**	0.649*

Table S1. Structural parameters of SXRD data for fluorite-type SrHF synthesized at 1 GPa.

Space group *Fm*-3*m*; a = 5.82849(3) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 7.45\%, R_{\rm wp} = 9.28\%$

*sum constrained to be 1.

**constrained to be equal.

[#]fixed to be 1.



Figure S2. Rietveld refinement of PND data for SrHF synthesized at 1 GPa. The green ticks are SrH_2 (5.9%) and SrO (5.0%) as impurities.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	У	Ζ	$B_{\rm iso}$ (Å ²)	g
Sr	4 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.517(1)	1#
Н	8 <i>c</i>	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.343(5)**	0.4892(1)*
F	8 <i>c</i>	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.343(5)**	0.5107(1)*

Table S2. Structural parameters of PND data for fluorite-type SrHF synthesized at 1 GPa.

Space group *Fm*-3*m*; a = 5.82879(1) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 5.71\%$, $R_{\rm wp} = 6.97\%$

*sum constrained to be 1.

**constrained to be equal.

[#]fixed to be 1.



Figure S3. Rietveld refinement of PND data for PbCl₂-type SrHF synthesized at 3 GPa using the fully anion-ordered model (hydride anions exclusively occupy the square-pyramidal site).



Figure S4. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for SrHF synthesized at 3 GPa.

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atom	Wyckoff position	x	у	Ζ	$B_{\rm iso}$ (Å ²)	g
Sr	4 <i>c</i>	0.2435(3)	0.25	0.1115(2)	0.85	1#
H1	4 <i>c</i>	0.3579(13)	0.25	0.4342(11)	1#	0.3
H2	4 <i>c</i>	0.972(2)	0.25	0.6712(15)	1#	0.542
F1	4 <i>c</i>	0.3579(13)	0.25	0.4342(11)	1#	0.7
F2	4 <i>c</i>	0.972(2)	0.25	0.6712(15)	1#	0.458

Table S3. Structural parameters of SXRD data for PbCl₂-type SrHF synthesized at 3 GPa.

Space group *Pnma*; a = 6.36768(11) Å, b = 3.83893(7) Å, c = 7.38450(13) Å, $R_p = 7.38\%$, $R_{wp} = 9.27\%$ #fixed to be 1.



Figure S5. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for SrHF synthesized at 5 GPa.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	У	Ζ	$B_{\rm iso}$ (Å ²)	g
Sr	4 <i>c</i>	0.244(1)	0.25	0.1124(4)	0.94(7)	1#
H1	4 <i>c</i>	0.355(4)	0.25	0.439(3)	1#	0.391(2)**
H2	4 <i>c</i>	0.977(8)	0.25	0.677(5)	1#	0.609(2)**
F1	4 <i>c</i>	0.355(4)	0.25	0.439(3)	1#	0.609(2)**
F2	4 <i>c</i>	0.977(8)	0.25	0.677(5)	1#	0.391(2)**

Table S4. Structural parameters of SXRD data for PbCl₂-type SrHF synthesized at 5 GPa.

Space group *Pnma*; *a* = 6.3757(4) Å, *b* = 3.8406(2) Å, *c* = 7.3889(5) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 4.37\%, R_{\rm wp} = 6.03\%$

**sum constrained to be 1, respectively.

[#]fixed to be 1.



Figure S6. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for SrHF synthesized at 8 GPa.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	У	Z	$B_{\rm iso}({\rm \AA}^2)$	g
Sr	4 <i>c</i>	0.243(1)	0.25	0.1125(4)	0.74(6)	1#
H1	4 <i>c</i>	0.355(3)	0.25	0.435(1)	1#	0.408(2)**
H2	4 <i>c</i>	0.987(7)	0.25	0.680(1)	1#	0.592(2)**
F1	4 <i>c</i>	0.355(3)	0.25	0.435(1)	1#	0.592(2)**
F2	4 <i>c</i>	0.987(7)	0.25	0.680(1)	1#	0.408(2)**

Table S5. Structural parameters of SXRD data for PbCl₂-type SrHF synthesized at 8 GPa.

Space group *Pnma*; *a* = 6.3739(3) Å, *b* = 3.8400(2) Å, *c* = 7.3895(4) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 5.98\%, R_{\rm wp} = 8.03\%$

**sum constrained to be 1, respectively.

#fixed to be 1.



Figure S7. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for BaHF synthesized at 1 GPa.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	У	Z	$B_{\rm iso}({ m \AA}^2)$	g
Ba	4 <i>c</i>	0.24067(16)	0.25	0.11263(10)	1.018 (15)	1#
H1	4 <i>c</i>	0.3601(13)	0.25	0.43045(12)	0.79*	0.245**
H2	4 <i>c</i>	0.983(4)	0.25	0.672(3)	0.47*	0.755**
F1	4c	0.3601(13)	0.25	0.43045(12)	0.79*	0.755**
F2	4c	0.983(4)	0.25	0.672(3)	0.47*	0.245**

Table S6. Structural parameters of SXRD data for PbCl₂-type BaHF synthesized at 1 GPa.

Space group *Pnma*; *a* = 6.8578(7) Å, *b* = 4.12960(4) Å, *c* = 7.89038(8) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 9.73\%, R_{\rm wp} = 12.5\%$

*fixed to be equal, respectively.

**sum constrained to be 1, respectively.

#fixed to be 1.



Figure S8. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for BaHF synthesized at 3 GPa.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	у	Ζ	$B_{\rm iso}({\rm \AA}^2)$	g
Ba	4 <i>c</i>	0.2411(2)	0.25	0.1126(1)	1.11(2)	1#
H1	4 <i>c</i>	0.365(1)	0.25	0.425(1)	0.5(2)*	0.295(2)**
H2	4 <i>c</i>	0.970(4)	0.25	0.669(3)	0.5(2)*	0.705(2)**
F1	4c	0.365(1)	0.25	0.425(1)	0.5(2)*	0.705(2)**
F2	4c	0.970(4)	0.25	0.669(3)	0.5(2)*	0.295(2)**

Table S7. Structural parameters of SXRD data for PbCl₂-type BaHF synthesized at 3 GPa.

Space group *Pnma*; *a* = 6.8478(1) Å, *b* = 4.13198(6) Å, *c* = 7.8892(1) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 6.75\%, R_{\rm wp} = 10.6\%$

*fixed to be equal, respectively.

**sum constrained to be 1, respectively.

#fixed to be 1.



Figure S9. Rietveld refinement of SXRD data for BaHF synthesized at 5 GPa.

atom	Wyckoff position	x	У	Z	$B_{\rm iso}({ m \AA}^2)$	g
Ba	4 <i>c</i>	0.247(1)	0.25	0.113(2)	1.58(1)	1#
H1	4 <i>c</i>	0.350(1)	0.25	0.440(1)	1#	0.244(3)**
H2	4 <i>c</i>	0.978(2)	0.25	0.679(1)	1#	0.756(3)**
F1	4 <i>c</i>	0.350(1)	0.25	0.440(1)	1#	0.756(3)**
F2	4 <i>c</i>	0.978(2)	0.25	0.679(1)	1#	0.244(3)**

Table S8. Structural parameters of SXRD data for PbCl₂-type BaHF synthesized at 5 GPa.

Space group *Pnma*; *a* = 6.8155(2) Å, *b* = 4.1095(2) Å, *c* = 7.8985(2) Å,

 $R_{\rm p} = 9.26\%, R_{\rm wp} = 11.6\%$

**sum constrained to be 1, respectively.

#fixed to be 1.

Detailed description and results about First-principles calculations

Total energy calculations were performed using the projected-augmented planewave method (PAW) within parametrization of the exchange-correlation functional by generalized gradient approximation (GGA) and the Perdew–Burke–Ernzerhof (PBE) in Quantum ESPRESSO.¹⁻³ The cut-off energy is 80 Ry for all calculations and the *k*-point of *P4/nmm*, *Pnma*, *P2m*, and *P6₃/mmc* SrHF models are respectively $3 \times 3 \times 3$, $3 \times 6 \times 3$, $3 \times 3 \times 6$, and $9 \times 9 \times 6$, which comply with the convergence criterion of 10^{-3} eV/atom by self-consistent calculations. A convergence threshold of 0.01 GPa was placed on the variable cells-relaxation (vc-relax) at zero temperature using Broyden–Fletcher–Goldfarb–Shanno (BFGS) quasi-newton algorithm with the maximum linear contraction of

the cell of 2.5.

The equilibrium structures of PbCl₂-type, anti-Fe₂P-type, and Ni₂In-type SrHF were built according to the corresponding reported structures, i.e., *Pnma*, *P2m*, and *P6₃/mmc* of SrH₂ and SrF₂,^{4,5} but anion-ordered fluoride-type SrHF was built from reported LaHO (*P4/nmm*).⁶ For each structure, two models were built with reverse anionic site occupancy, as shown in Figures S10, S11, S12, S13. After being geometrically optimized by vc-relax at p = 0 GPa and T = 0 K, these models (set as initial models) were subjected to different external pressure to obtain the total energy as a function of volume (Figure S14). The data ware fitted using the third-order Birch–Murnaghan isothermal equation of state,⁷ and the calculated external pressure, the bulk modulus *B*₀, first-order pressure derivative *B*₀', and enthalpy were obtained (Table S9). The relative thermal stability of these phases was compared by their enthalpy values.



Figure S10. Crystal structures of fluorite-type (Fm-3m) SrHF with the coordination geometry around anions for (a) HSr₄-FSr₄ model and (b) swapped FSr₄-HSr₄ model. The right side of each panel represents a coordination environment around the anion center. White, blue, and yellow spheres denote Sr, H, and F atoms, respectively.



Figure S11. Crystal structures of $PbCl_2$ -type (*Pnma*) SrHF with the coordination geometry around anions for (a) FSr_4 -HSr₅ model and (b) HSr_4 -FSr₅ model. The right side of each panel represents a coordination environment around the anion center. White, blue, and yellow spheres denote Sr, H, and F atoms, respectively.



Figure S12. Crystal structures of anti-Fe₂P-type (P2m) SrHF with the coordination geometry around anions for (a) FSr₄-HSr₅ model and (b) HSr₄-FSr₅ model. The right side of each panel represents a coordination environment around the anion center. White, blue, and yellow spheres denote Sr, H, and F atoms, respectively.



Figure S13. Crystal structures of Ni₂In-type ($P6_3/mmc$) SrHF with the coordination geometry around anions for (a) FSr₅-HSr₆ model and (b) HSr₅-FSr₆ model. The right side of each panel represents a coordination environment around the anion center. White, blue, and yellow spheres denote Sr, H, and F atoms, respectively.



Figure S14. Total energy vs. volume relation for fluorite-type, PbCl₂-type, anti-Fe₂P-type, and Ni₂In-type SrHF.

Model	Equilibrium Volume V_0 (Å ³ /f.u.)	The bulk modulus B_0 (GPa)	B_0'
Fluorite-type (HSr ₄ -FSr ₄)	50.254	48.4	4.43
Fluorite-type' (swapped FSr4-HSr4)	50.238	48.5	4.51
PbCl ₂ -type (HSr ₄ -FSr ₅)	44.135	43.9	6.53
PbCl ₂ -type (FSr ₄ -HSr ₅)	47.082	50.5	4.13
anti-Fe ₂ P-type (HSr ₄ -FSr ₅)	43.570	52.7	4.27
anti-Fe ₂ P-type (FSr ₄ -HSr ₅)	46.337	53.5	4.42
Ni ₂ In-type (HSr ₅ -FSr ₆)	42.355	44.6	4.78
Ni ₂ In-type (FSr ₆ -HSr ₅)	45.725	29.5	6.05

Table S9. The fitting results of the third-order Birch–Murnaghan isothermal equation of state.



Figure S15. Calculated formation enthalpies as a function of pressure for PbCl₂-type, anti-Fe₂P-type, and Ni₂In-type SrHF, relative to fluorite-type SrHF.



Figure S16. Calculated volume change of anion-centered polyhedra as a function of pressure for PbCl₂-type SrHF with FSr₄-HSr₅ model and HSr₄-FSr₅ model.

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