

Supporting Information

In Situ Topochemically Converted 2-D BaTiO₃ Polycrystals with Multifarious Zone Axes

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Multi-crystal-oriented BaTiO₃ polycrystals with a dominant [100] direction can be *in situ* topochemically converted from HTO crystals *via* calcination process.

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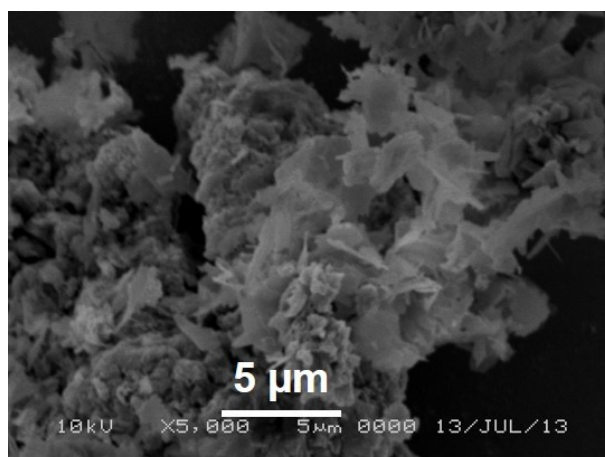


Figure S1 SEM image of specimen obtained by the calcination of HTO and $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ mixture powders at 600°C for 3 h.

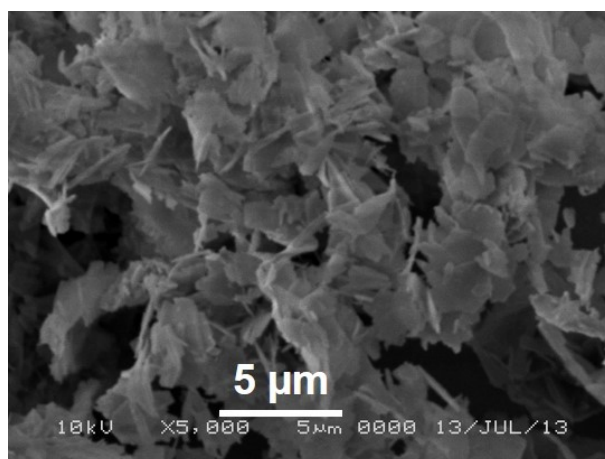


Figure S2 SEM images of specimens obtained by the calcination of HTO and $\text{Ba}(\text{Ac})_2$ mixed powders at 600°C for 3 h.

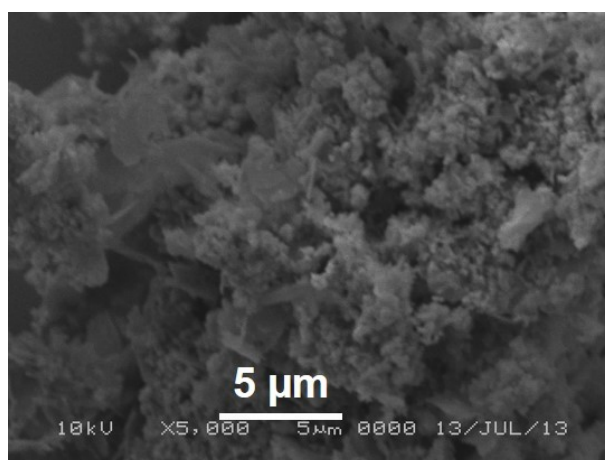


Figure S3 SEM images of specimens obtained by the calcination of HTO and $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ mixed powders at 600°C for 3 h.

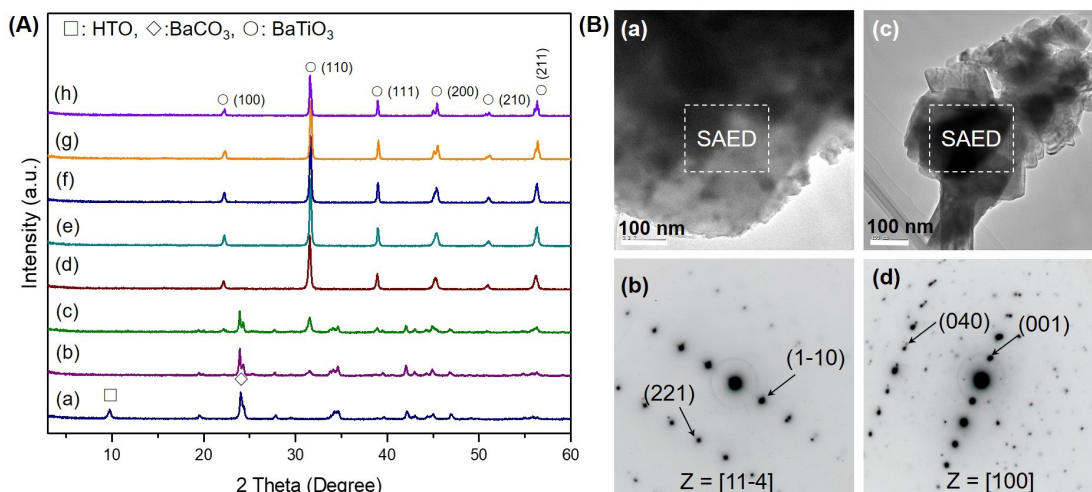


Figure S4 (A) XRD patterns of specimens of HTO-BaCO₃ mixtures (a) before and (b-h) after calcinations at (b) 600, (c) 700, (d) 800, (e) 900, (f) 1000, (g) 1150, and (h) 1200 °C for 3 h. **(B)** (a, c) TEM images and (b, d) SAED patterns of specimens obtained by the calcination of HTO-BaCO₃ mixed powders at 800 °C for 3h.

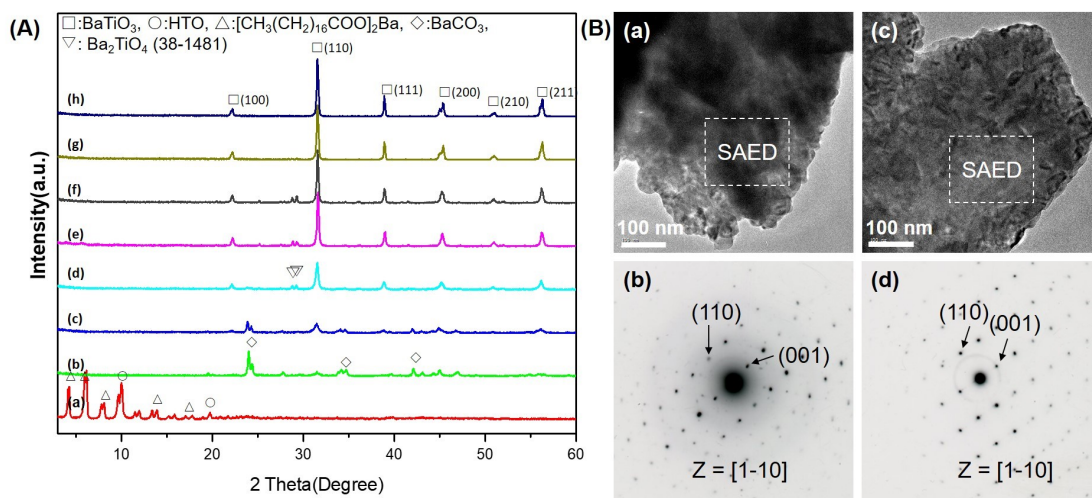


Figure S5. (A) XRD patterns of specimens of the HTO-Ba[CH₃(CH₂)₁₆COO]₂ mixtures (a) before and after calcinations at (b) 600, (c) 700, (d) 800, (e) 900, (f) 1000, (g) 1100, and (h) 1200 oC for 3 h, respectively. **(B)** (a, c) TEM images and (b, d) SAED patterns of specimens obtained by calcination of HTO-Ba[CH₃(CH₂)₁₆COO]₂ mixed powders at 800 °C for 3h.

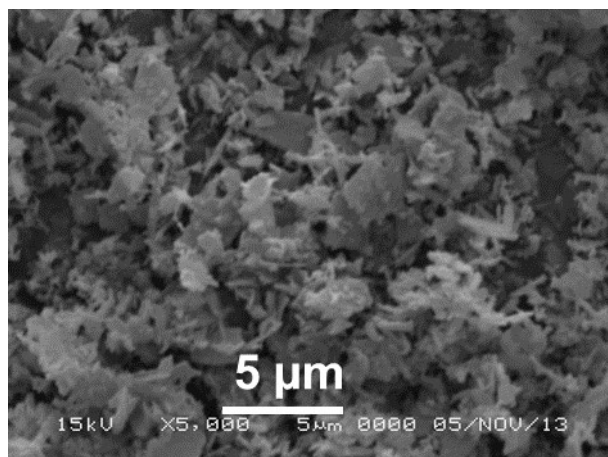


Figure S6. SEM images of specimens of HTO-BaCO₃ mixtures after calcinations at 800 °C for 3h.

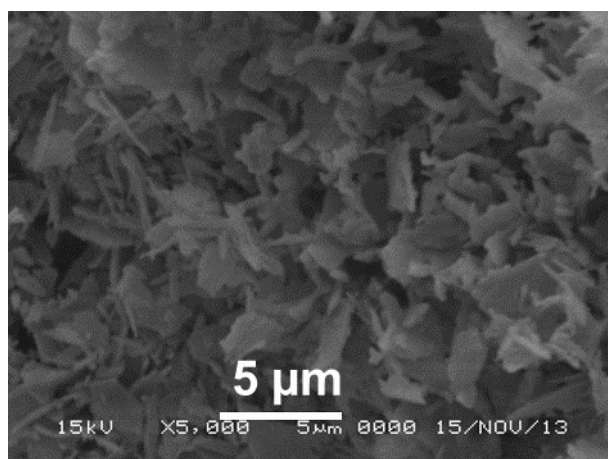


Figure S7. SEM images of specimens of HTO-Ba[CH₃(CH₂)₁₆COO]₂ mixtures after calcinations at 900 °C for 3h.

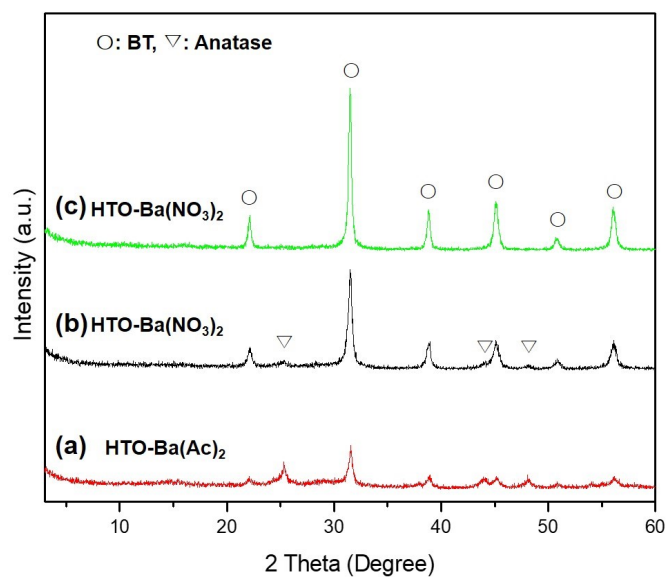


Figure S8. XRD patterns of specimens obtained by the calcination of HTO and (a) Ba(Ac)₂ and (b),

c) $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ mixed powders at 500 °C for (a, b) 15 h and (c) 18 h.

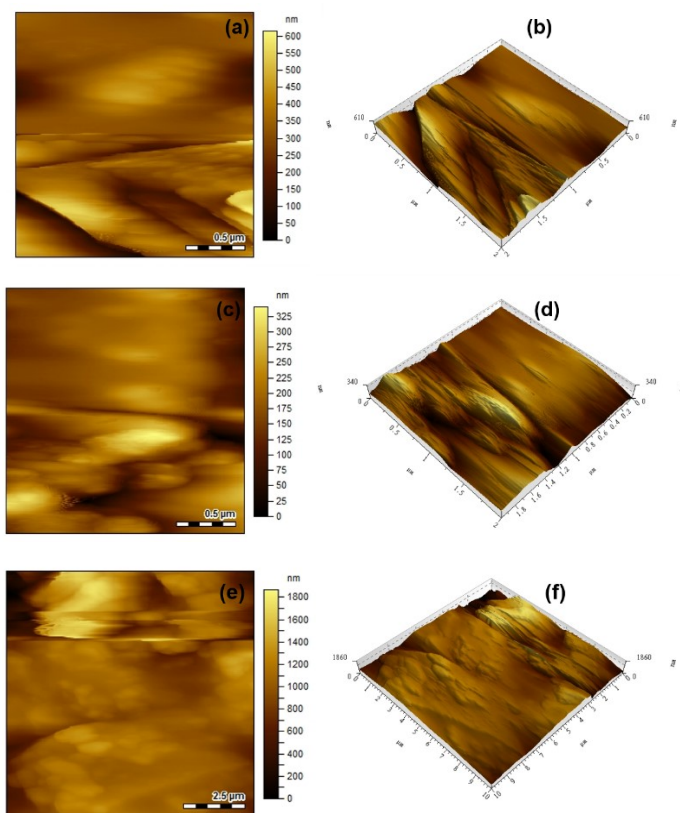


Figure S9 (a, c, e) 2D and (b, d, f) 3D AFM images with the range of $0.5 \mu\text{m} \times 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ of specimens obtained by the calcination of (a, b) HTO and $\text{Ba}(\text{Ac})_2$ mixture, (c, d) HTO and $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ at 500°C for 15 h, and (e) 2D and (f) 3D images with the range of $0.5 \mu\text{m} \times 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ of specimens obtained by the calcination of HTO and $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ at 500 °C for 18 h.

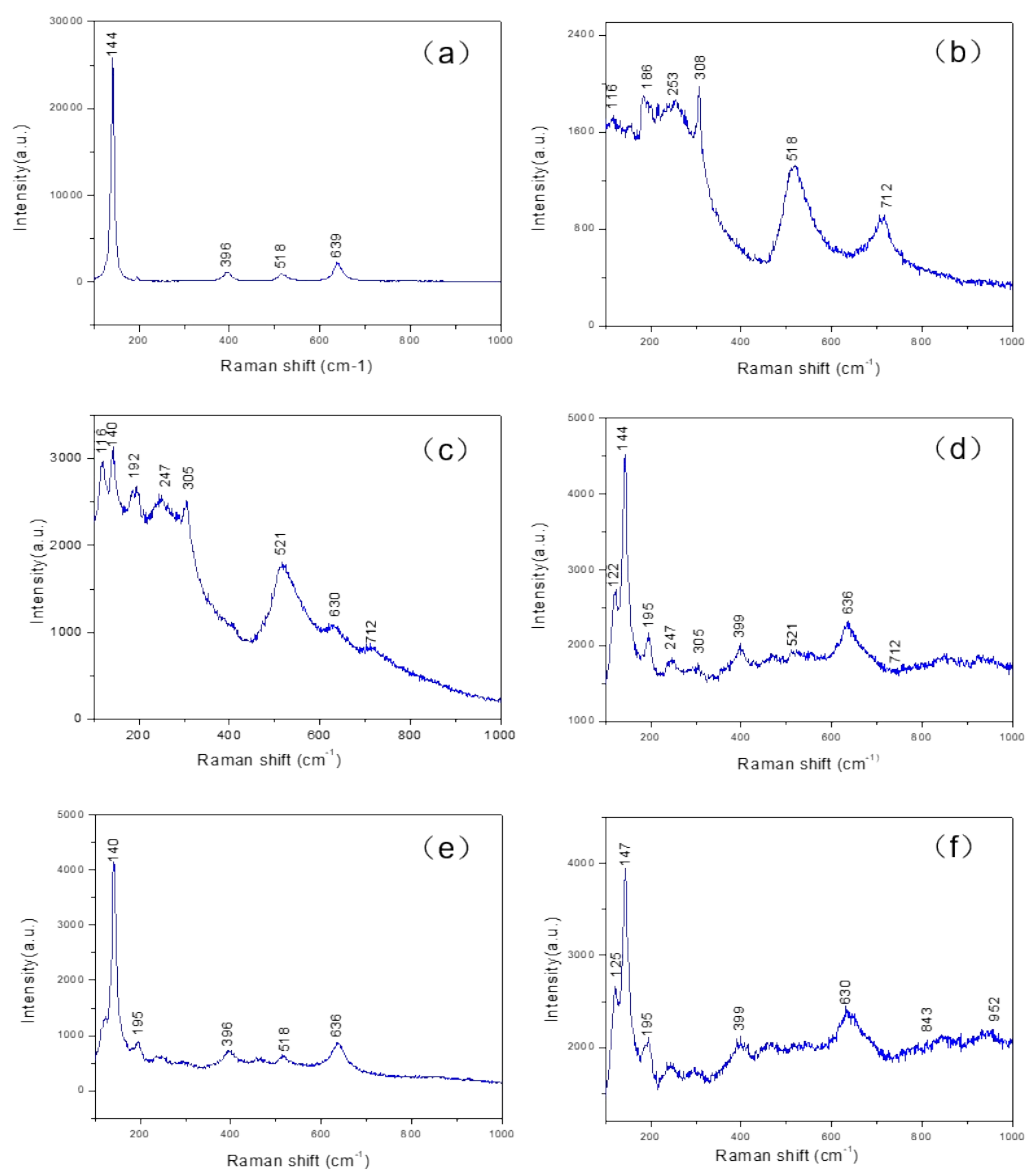


Figure S10 Raman spectra of (a) anatase TiO₂ and specimens obtained from the reaction systems of (b) HTO-Ba(NO₃)₂, (c) HTO-Ba(OH)₂, (d) HTO-Ba(Ac)₂, (e) HTO-BaCO₃, and (f) HTO-Ba[CH₃(CH₂)₁₆COO]₂ at 600 °C for 3 h.

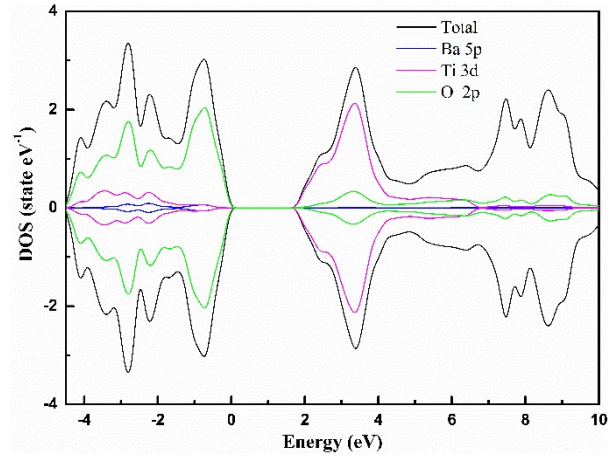


Figure S11. Total and partial densities of states for tetragonal BaTiO₃. The Fermi level is set to zero. The optimized lattice parameters for the BaTiO₃ are $a = b = 4.052 \text{ \AA}$, $c = 4.066 \text{ \AA}$. These values are very close to the experimental data: $a = 3.9998 \text{ \AA}$ and $c = 4.0180 \text{ \AA}$ ⁱ. As seen from Figure 7, the calculated band gap (within GGA+U) of BaTiO₃ is about 2.12 eV which is smaller than that of experimental result (3.2 eV). The underestimation of band gap can be predicted due to the known defects of the DFT methodology. However, there is 13.9% improvement for band gap compared with the standard DFT result of 1.86 eV as the intra-site Coulomb repulsion U-term is added. The valence-band maximum (VBM) mainly consists of O 2*p* states and a small contribution of the Ti 3*d* and Ba 5*p* states, whereas the conduction-band minimum (CBM) is composed of a mixture of Ti 3*d* and O 2*p* states, indicating the strong hybridization between the Ti 3*d* and O 2*p* states for the tetragonal BaTiO₃.

Table S1 Zone axes of platelike BT mesocrystals obtained by the calcination of HTO and Ba(OH)₂ mixture at 600 °C for 3 h.

Serial number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Zone axis/Crystal-axis orientations	[13-5]	[110]	[100]	[121]	[115]	[111]	Unknown ^a
Number of occurrences	1	4	13	1	1	2	2
Occurrence probability	4.2%	16.7%	54.2%	4.2%	4.2%	8.3%	8.3%

^aThe diffraction spots are too chaotic to determine the zone axis. The following is the same.

Table S2 Zone axes of platelike BT mesocrystals obtained by the calcination of HTO and Ba(Ac)₂ mixture at 600 °C for 3 h.

Serial number	1	2	3	4	5	6
Zone axis/Crystal-axis orientations	[-111]	[110]	[12-4]	[112]	[100]	Unknown
Number of occurrences	2	3	1	1	6	1
Occurrence probability	14.3%	21.4%	7.1%	7.1%	42.9%	7.1%

Table S3 Zone axes of platelike BT mesocrystals obtained by the calcination of HTO and Ba(NO₃)₂ mixture at 600 °C for 3 h.

Serial number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Zone axis/Crystal-axis orientations	[114]	[100]	[11-3]	[-215]	[110]	[-213]	Unknown
Number of occurrences	1	15	2	1	4	1	1
Occurrence probability	4%	60%	8%	4%	16%	4%	4%

Table S4 Zone axes of platelike BT mesocrystals obtained by the calcination of HTO and Ba[CH₃(CH₂)₁₆COO]₂ mixture at 800 °C for 3 h.

Serial number	1	2	3	4	5	6
Zone axis/Crystal-axis orientations	[-112]	[110]	[-114]	[-113]	[100]	[123]
Number of occurrences	1	4	4	1	6	1
Occurrence probability	5.9%	23.5%	23.5%	5.9%	35.3%	5.9%

Table S5 Zone axes of platelike BT mesocrystals obtained by the calcination of HTO and Ba(NO₃)₂ mixture at 500 °C for 18 h.

Serial number	1	2	3	4
Zone axis/Crystal-axis orientations	[100]	[110]	[-215]	[-112]
Number of occurrences	10	3	1	1
Occurrence probability	67%	20%	7%	7%