

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### **Ba<sub>5</sub>Y<sub>12</sub>Zn[O(SiO<sub>4</sub>)]<sub>8</sub>: A Novel Non-Centrosymmetric Silicate with a Short Ultraviolet Cut-off Edge Featuring [ZnSi<sub>4</sub>O<sub>16</sub>] and [SiO<sub>4</sub>] Units**

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**Table S1.** The final atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ), equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ), and bond valence sums (BVS) for  $\text{Ba}_5\text{Y}_{12}\text{Zn}[\text{O}(\text{SiO}_4)]_8$

Atom	Wyck	S.O.F	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	U(eq)	BVS
Ba(1)	8f	1	10000	8393(1)	10000	11(1)	2.099
Ba(2)	4d	0.5	5000	10000	7500	29(1)	2.140
Y(1)	8i	1	7916(1)	7916(1)	49(2)	8(1)	2.774
Y(2)	16j	1	6873(1)	8994(1)	4491(1)	7(1)	3.077
Zn(1)	2b	1	10000	10000	5000	14(1)	1.954
Si(1)	8i	1	8748(1)	8748(1)	4412(5)	9(1)	3.859
Si(2)	8f	1	6582(1)	10000	0	9(1)	3.968
O(1)	8i	1	9336(3)	9336(3)	3341(15)	12(2)	1.895
O(2)	16j	1	8141(3)	7044(3)	-2722(10)	9(1)	2.064
O(3)	8i	1	8703(3)	8703(3)	7422(14)	13(2)	1.705
O(4)	16j	1	7070(3)	10172(3)	2434(9)	9(1)	1.973
O(5)	16j	1	6119(3)	9305(3)	865(10)	13(1)	2.236
O(6)	16j	1	7992(3)	8936(3)	3024(10)	11(1)	2.135

$U_{\text{eq}}$  is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg.) for Ba<sub>5</sub>Y<sub>12</sub>Zn[O(SiO<sub>4</sub>)]<sub>8</sub>

Bond	Length	Bond	Length
Ba(1)-O(6)#1	2.674(5)	Y(2)-O(2)#1	2.210(5)
Ba(1)-O(6)#2	2.674(5)	Y(2)-O(6)	2.238(5)
Ba(1)-O(1)#3	2.804(5)	Y(2)-O(2)#17	2.276(5)
Ba(1)-O(1)#2	2.804(5)	Y(2)-O(4)#21	2.300(5)
Ba(1)-O(4)#2	2.817(5)	Y(2)-O(5)#16	2.332(5)
Ba(1)-O(4)#1	2.817(5)	Y(2)-O(5)	2.472(6)
Ba(1)-O(3)	2.852(5)	Y(2)-O(4)	2.490(5)
Ba(1)-O(3)#4	2.852(5)	Zn(1)-O(1)#22	1.970(7)
Ba(2)-O(5)#5	2.614(5)	Zn(1)-O(1)#2	1.970(7)
Ba(2)-O(5)#6	2.614(5)	Zn(1)-O(1)#23	1.970(7)
Ba(2)-O(5)#7	2.614(5)	Zn(1)-O(1)	1.970(7)
Ba(2)-O(5)#8	2.614(5)	Si(1)-O(3)	1.619(8)
Ba(2)-O(5)#11	3.053(5)	Si(1)-O(6)	1.637(6)
Ba(2)-O(5)#12	3.053(5)	Si(1)-O(6)#15	1.637(6)
Ba(2)-O(5)#13	3.053(5)	Si(1)-O(1)	1.656(8)
Ba(2)-O(5)#14	3.053(5)	Si(2)-O(4)	1.624(5)
Y(1)-O(2)	2.246(5)	Si(2)-O(4)#24	1.624(5)
Y(1)-O(2)#15	2.246(5)	Si(2)-O(5)#24	1.630(6)
Y(1)-O(2)#16	2.311(5)	Si(2)-O(5)	1.630(6)
Y(1)-O(2)#17	2.311(5)	O(3)-Si(1)-O(6)	114.8(3)
Y(1)-O(6)	2.492(6)	O(3)-Si(1)-O(6)#15	114.8(3)
Y(1)-O(6)#15	2.492(6)	O(6)-Si(1)-O(6)#15	99.5(4)
Y(1)-O(3)#18	2.514(8)	O(3)-Si(1)-O(1)	114.5(4)
O(6)-Si(1)-O(1)	105.9(3)	O(4)#24-Si(2)-O(5)#24	103.1(3)
O(6)#15-Si(1)-O(1)	105.9(3)	O(4)-Si(2)-O(5)	103.1(3)
O(4)-Si(2)-O(4)#24	111.7(4)	O(4)#24-Si(2)-O(5)	111.7(3)
O(4)-Si(2)-O(5)#24	111.7(3)	O(5)#24-Si(2)-O(5)	115.8(4)

**Symmetry codes:** #1 y,x,z+1; #2 -y+2,x,-z+1; #3 x,y,z+1; #4 -y+2,x,-z+2; #5 x,-y+1,-z+1; #6 -x+1,y-1,-z+1; #7 -y+3/2,-x+1/2,z+1/2; #8 y-1/2,x-1/2,z+1/2; #11 y-1/2,-x+1/2,-z+1/2; #12 x,y-1,z+1; #13 -y+3/2,x-1/2,-z+1/2; #14 -x+1,-y+1,z+1; #15 y,x,z; #16 -y+3/2,x+3/2,z+1/2; #17 -x+3/2,-y+3/2,z+1/2; #18 x,y,z-1; #21 x,-y+2,-z+1; #22 -x+2,-y+2,z; #23 y,-x+2,-z+1; #24 x,-y+2,-z

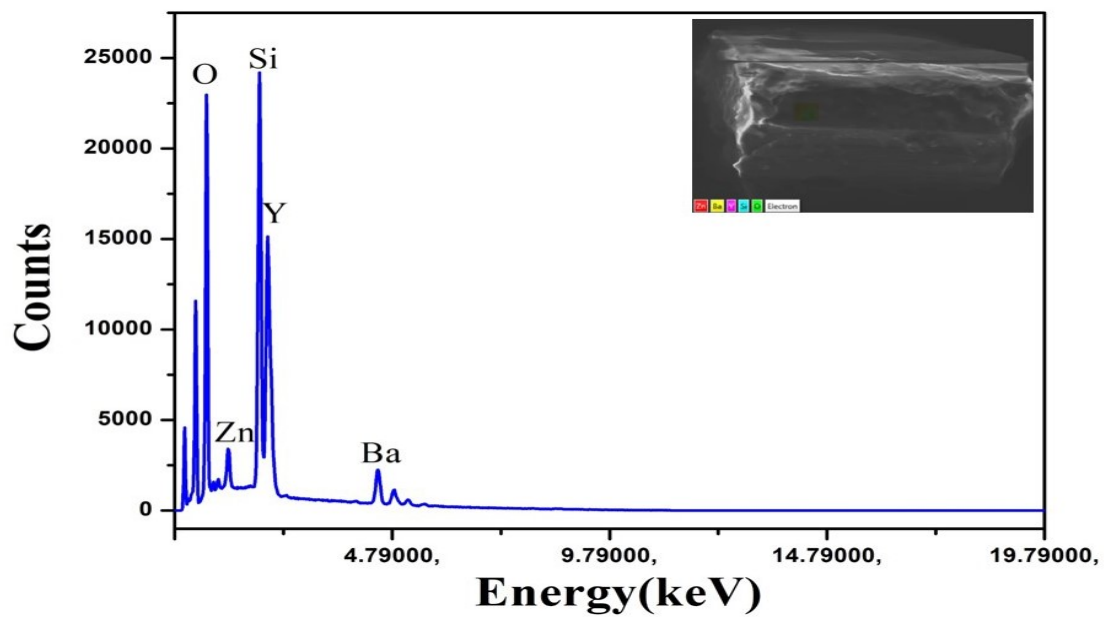
**Table S3.** Anisotropic displacement parameters for Ba<sub>5</sub>Y<sub>12</sub>Zn[O(SiO<sub>4</sub>)]<sub>8</sub>

Atom	U <sub>11</sub>	U <sub>22</sub>	U <sub>33</sub>	U <sub>23</sub>	U <sub>13</sub>	U <sub>12</sub>
Ba(1)	9(1)	11(1)	13(1)	0	2(1)	0
Ba(2)	13(1)	13(1)	61(2)	0	0	0
Y(1)	8(1)	8(1)	8(1)	-1(1)	-1(1)	1(1)
Y(2)	8(1)	7(1)	7(1)	0(1)	0(1)	0(1)
Zn(1)	9(1)	9(1)	23(1)	0	0	0
Si(1)	9(1)	9(1)	7(1)	0(1)	0(1)	0(1)
Si(2)	12(1)	8(1)	6(1)	2(1)	0	0
O(1)	10(2)	10(2)	14(4)	0(2)	0(2)	-4(3)
O(2)	10(3)	4(3)	12(3)	4(2)	-1(2)	3(2)
O(3)	16(3)	16(3)	8(4)	-1(2)	-1(2)	4(3)
O(4)	12(3)	8(3)	6(2)	-2(2)	-1(2)	1(2)
O(5)	18(3)	10(3)	12(3)	-1(2)	0(2)	-1(2)
O(6)	8(3)	12(3)	12(2)	0(2)	1(2)	-1(2)

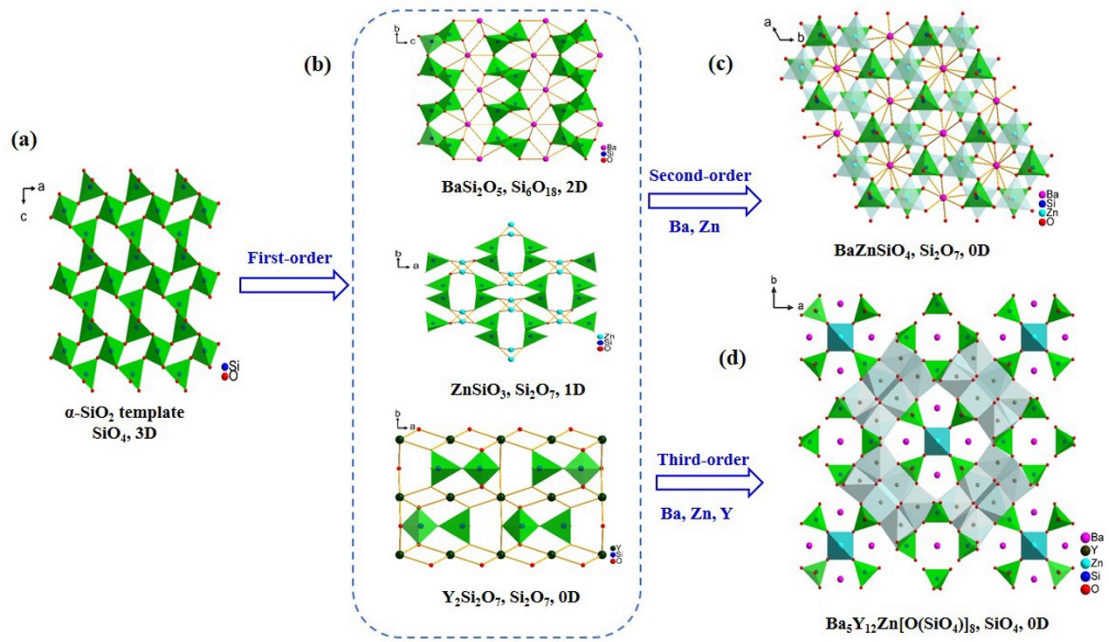
**Table S4.** Examples of Ba, Zn, and Y-containing silicates searched from ICSD

No	Compound	Crystal system	Space group	Cation oxides	Si-O anionic unit	$n_M/n_{Si}$ ratio	Dimension of anionic groups	Ref.
1	$\alpha$ -SiO <sub>2</sub>	Trigonal	$P3_221$		SiO <sub>4</sub>		3D	[1]
2	ZnSiO <sub>3</sub> -1	Monoclinic	$C2/c$	ZnO <sub>4</sub> , ZnO <sub>6</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	1D	[2]
3	ZnSiO <sub>3</sub> -2	Orthorhombic	$Pbca$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	1D	[2]
4	ZnSiO <sub>3</sub> -3	Monoclinic	$P2_1/c$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	1D	[3]
5	ZnSiO <sub>3</sub> (HP)	Monoclinic	$C2/c$	ZnO <sub>6</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	1D	[3]
6	Zn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -1	Trigonal	$R\bar{3}H$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[4]
7	Zn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -2	Tetragonal	$I\bar{4}2d$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[5]
8	Zn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -3	Trigonal	$R\bar{3}R$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[6]
9	Zn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -4	Orthorhombic	$Pnma$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[7]
10	Zn <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub> -5	Orthorhombic	$Pbca$	ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[7]
11	Y <sub>2</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> )O-1	Monoclinic	$C2/c$	YO <sub>6</sub> , YO <sub>7</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[8]
12	Y <sub>2</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> )O-2	Monoclinic	$I2/a$	YO <sub>6</sub> , YO <sub>7</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[9]
13	Y <sub>2</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> )O-3	Monoclinic	$P2_1/c$	YO <sub>7</sub> , YO <sub>8</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[10]
14	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -1	Monoclinic	$P2_1/m$	YO <sub>6</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	[11]
15	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -2	Monoclinic	$P2_1/a$	YO <sub>6</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	S11]
16	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -3	Orthorhombic	$Pnam$	YO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	[12]
17	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -4	Orthorhombic	$Pna2_1$	YO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	[13]
18	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -5	Monoclinic	$P2_1/c$	YO <sub>6</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	[14]
19	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -6	Triclinic	$P\bar{1}$	YO <sub>6</sub> , YO <sub>8</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> , SiO <sub>3</sub> , SiO <sub>4</sub>	1:1	0D	[14]
20	Y <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> -7	Monoclinic	$C2/m$	YO <sub>6</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	[15]
21	Y <sub>4.67</sub> (SiO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> O	Hexagonal	$P6_3/m$	YO <sub>7</sub> , YO <sub>9</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	1.3:1	0D	[16]
22	Ba <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>4</sub>	Orthorhombic	$Pmcn$	BaO <sub>9</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[17]
23	BaSi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	Hexagonal	$P\bar{6}c2$	BaO <sub>12</sub>	Si <sub>7</sub> O <sub>22</sub>	1:4	3D	[18]
24	Ba <sub>3</sub> OSiO <sub>4</sub>	Tetragonal	$I4/mcm$	BaO <sub>10</sub> , BaO <sub>8</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	3:1	0D	[19]
25	Ba <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> -1	Monoclinic	$C2/c$	BaO <sub>7</sub> , BaO <sub>8</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub> ring	1:2	2D	[20]
26	Ba <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> -2	Orthorhombic	$Pmcn$	BaO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:2	2D	[21]
27	BaSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> -3	Orthorhombic	$Pcmn$	BaO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:2	2D	[22]
28	Ba <sub>4</sub> Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>16</sub> -1	Monoclinic	$P2_1$	BaO <sub>6</sub> , BaO <sub>8</sub> , BaO <sub>9</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:1.5	2D	[23]
29	Ba <sub>4</sub> Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>16</sub> -2	Monoclinic	$P2_1/c$	BaO <sub>6</sub> , BaO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:1.5	2D	[21]
30	Ba <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>8</sub> O <sub>21</sub>	Monoclinic	$C2/c$	BaO <sub>6</sub> , BaO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:1.6	2D	[24]
31	Ba <sub>6</sub> Si <sub>10</sub> O <sub>26</sub>	Monoclinic	$P2_1/c$	BaO <sub>6</sub> , BaO <sub>7</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:1.6	2D	[21]
32	BaSiO <sub>3</sub> -1	Orthorhombic	$P2_12_12_1$	BaO <sub>8</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1:1	0D	[17]
33	BaSiO <sub>3</sub> -2	Trigonal	$R\bar{3}mH$	BaO <sub>12</sub> , BaO <sub>8</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>12</sub> , SiO <sub>6</sub>	1:1	2D	[25]
34	BaSiO <sub>3</sub> -3	Hexagonal	$P6_3/mmc$	BaO <sub>9</sub>	Si <sub>7</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:1	2D	[25]
35	BaZnSiO <sub>4</sub>	Hexagonal	$P6_3$	BaO <sub>6</sub> , BaO <sub>9</sub> , ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2:1	0D	[26]
36	BaZn <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	Orthorhombic	$Cmc2_1$	BaO <sub>5</sub> , ZnO <sub>4</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1.5:1	0D	[27]
37	Ba <sub>2</sub> ZnSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	Monoclinic	$C2/c$	BaO <sub>8</sub> , ZnO <sub>4</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	1.5:1	0D	[28]
38	BaZnSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Monoclinic	$P2_1/a$	BaO <sub>8</sub> , ZnO <sub>2</sub>	Si <sub>6</sub> O <sub>18</sub>	1:1.5	2D	[29]
39	Ba <sub>5</sub> Y <sub>12</sub> Zn[O(SiO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> ]	Tetragonal	$I\bar{4}2m$	BaO <sub>8</sub> , YO <sub>7</sub> , ZnO <sub>4</sub>	SiO <sub>4</sub>	2.3:1	0D	<b>This work</b>

Note: The determination of the crystal phase is subject to the order of time.



**Figure S1** Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopic (EDS) spectrum of  $\text{Ba}_5\text{Y}_{12}\text{Zn}[\text{O}(\text{SiO}_4)]_8$



**Figure S2** The structural evolution of anionic groups from (a) 3D network of  $\alpha$ -SiO<sub>2</sub> down the  $b$ -axis to (b) 2D layers, 1D chains, 0D infinite groups of BaSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, ZnSiO<sub>3</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> crystals to (c, d) 0D isolated SiO<sub>4</sub> units of BaZnSiO<sub>4</sub> and Ba<sub>5</sub>Y<sub>12</sub>Zn[O(SiO<sub>4</sub>)]<sub>8</sub> crystals down the  $c$ -axis.

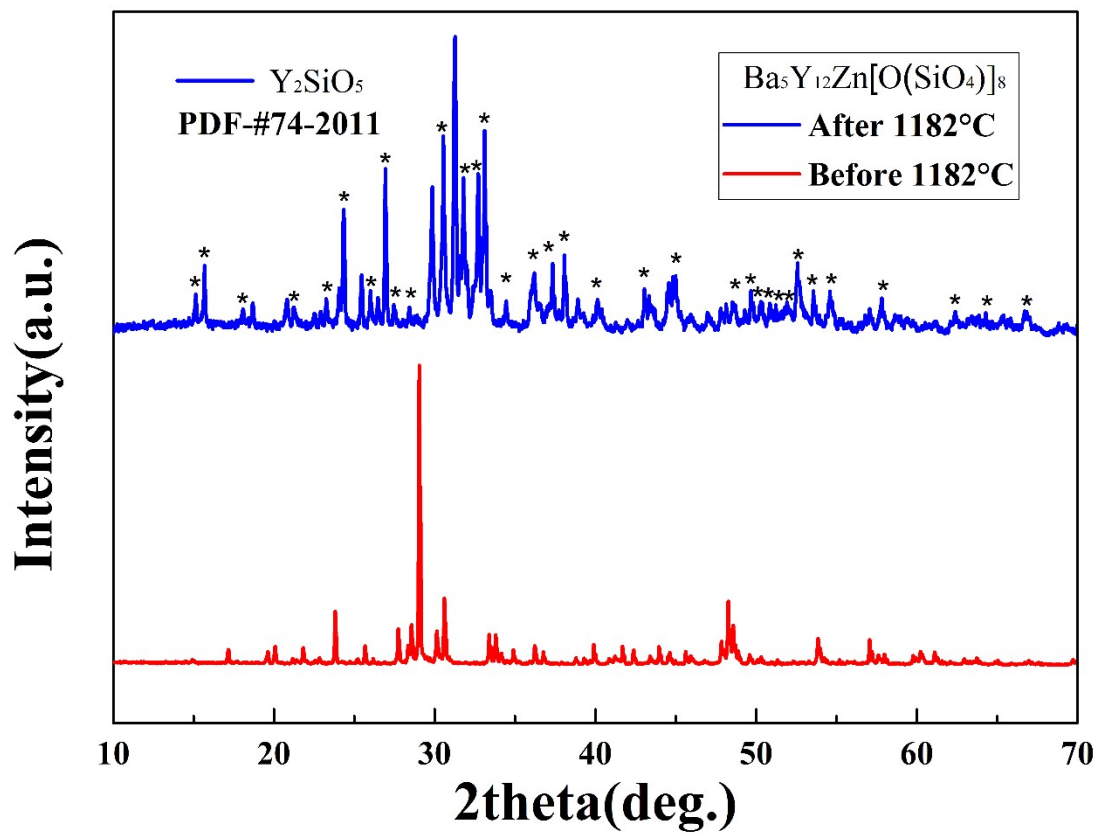


Figure S3 Experimental powder X-ray diffraction pattern of  $Ba_5Y_{12}Zn[O(SiO_4)]_8$



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