## **Supporting Information**

# Ga(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>: A mid-IR nonlinear optical iodate with balanced performance between band gap and second harmonic generation response

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| Formula                               | Ga(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Temperature (K)                       | 290                               |
| Crystal system                        | Hexagonal                         |
| Space group                           | $P6_{3}$                          |
| <i>a</i> (Å)                          | 9.0924 (5)                        |
| <i>b</i> (Å)                          | 9.0924 (5)                        |
| <i>c</i> (Å)                          | 5.2862 (8)                        |
| α (°)                                 | 90                                |
| β (°)                                 | 90                                |
| γ (°)                                 | 120                               |
| Ζ                                     | 2                                 |
| $V(Å^3)$                              | 378.47 (6)                        |
| $\mu ({\rm mm}^{-1})$                 | 15.90                             |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma (F^2)]^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 0.016                             |
| $wR(F^2)$                             | 0.037                             |

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinements of  $Ga(IO_3)_3$ .

<sup>a</sup>  $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|, \ \omega R_2 = [\Sigma \omega (F_o^2 - F_c^2)_2 / \Sigma \omega (F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$ 

| Bond      | Length/Å |
|-----------|----------|
| <br>I1-O1 | 1.847(5) |
| I1-O2     | 1.804(6) |
| I1-O3     | 1.806(6) |
| Ga1-O1    | 1.980(2) |
| Ga1-O1    | 1.980(2) |
| Ga1-O1    | 1.980(2) |
| Ga1-O3    | 1.960(2) |
| Ga1-O3    | 1.960(2) |
| Ga1- O3   | 1.961(2) |

Table S2. Selected bond lengths  $(\text{\AA})$  of  $Ga(IO_3)_3$ .

| Angle     | (°)        |
|-----------|------------|
| O1-I1-O2  | 99.61(12)  |
| O1-I1-O3  | 94.68(11)  |
| O2-I1-O3  | 96.61(12)  |
| O1-Ga1-O1 | 90.75(11)  |
| O1-Ga1-O3 | 169.98(10) |
| O1-Ga1-O3 | 85.24(10)  |
| O1-Ga1-O3 | 98.46(10)  |
| O1-Ga1-O3 | 98.45(10)  |
| O3-Ga1-O3 | 86.28(10)  |

Table S3. Selected bond angles (°) of  $Ga(IO_3)_3$ .

| Compounds   | Space                       | SHG effect         | Band gap | Birefringence                 | Dof        |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------|-------------------------------|------------|
| Compounds   | group                       | (× KDP)            | (eV)     | Direningenee                  | Kei        |
| LiMg(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>   | $P6_3$                      | 24                 | 4.34     | 0.22 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>   | <b>S</b> 1 |
| $K_2Mg(IO_3)_4(H_2O)_2$   | <i>I</i> 2                  | 1.4                | 4.37     | 0.021 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S2         |
| Ba <sub>2</sub> [MoO <sub>3</sub> (OH)(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ]IO <sub>3</sub>          | $P2_1$                      | 8                  | 3.78     | 0.225 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S3         |
| CHO E   |                             | ( )                | 4.22     | 0.072 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | C 4        |
| CalO <sub>3</sub> F   | $PZ_{1}Z_{1}Z_{1}$          | 0.2                | 4.22     | 0.068 @ 546.1 nm <sup>b</sup> | 84         |
| $K_5(W_3O_9F_4)(IO_3)$  | Pm                          | 11                 | 3.83     | 0.083 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S5         |
| (H <sub>3</sub> O)HCs <sub>2</sub> Nb(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>9</sub>                            | $P2_{1}$                    | 6                  | 3.58     | 0.052 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | <b>S</b> 6 |
| LiZn(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>   | $P6_{3}$                    | 14                 | 4.21     | 0.27 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>   | <b>S</b> 7 |
| LiCd(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>   | $P6_{3}$                    | 12                 | 4.18     | 0.27 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>   | <b>S</b> 7 |
| NaVO <sub>2</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)                            | $P2_1$                      | 20                 | 3.06     | 0.21 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>   | <b>S</b> 8 |
| $K_2Zn(IO_3)_4(H_2O)_2$   | <i>I</i> 2                  | 2.3                | 4.35     | 0.018 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S2         |
| BaNbO(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>5</sub>  | Cc                          | 14                 | 3.64     | 0.035 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S9         |
| NH <sub>4</sub> [MoO <sub>3</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> )]   | $P$ na $2_1$                | 4.7                | 3.26     | 0.083 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S10        |
| KRb[(MoO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ]                          | Cc                          | 8.5                | 3.32     | 0.146 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S10        |
| Ce(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>   | R3c                         | 0.9                | 2.17     | 0.049 @ 546 nm <sup>b</sup>   | S11        |
| Y(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> F  | $P6_{5}$                    | 2                  | 3.91     | 0.041 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S12        |
|   | DC                          | 16                 |          | 0.253 @ 546 nm <sup>a</sup>   | 012        |
| $\beta$ -Sc(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>  | $P6_3$                      | 16                 | 4.52     | 0.219 @ 546 nm <sup>b</sup>   | 813        |
| $Ce(IO_3)_2F_2 \cdot H_2O$  | Ima2                        | 3                  | 2.6      | 0.046 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S14        |
| $Sn(IO_3)_2F_2$   | $P2_1$                      | 3                  | 4.08     | 0.234 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S15        |
| Bi(IO <sub>3</sub> )F <sub>2</sub>  | <i>C</i> 2                  | 11.5               | 3.97     | 0.209 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S16        |
| Bi <sub>2</sub> Te(IO <sub>3</sub> )O <sub>5</sub> Cl   | Cc                          | 3                  | 3.6      | 0.091 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S17        |
| [GaF(H <sub>2</sub> O)][IO <sub>3</sub> F]  | $Pca2_1$                    | 10                 | 4.34     | 0.142 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S18        |
| $\alpha$ -Ba <sub>2</sub> [GaF <sub>4</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ](IO <sub>3</sub> ) | $Pna2_1$                    | ~ 6                | 4.61     | 0.126 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S19        |
| $\beta$ -Ba <sub>2</sub> [GaF <sub>4</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ](IO <sub>3</sub> )  | $P2_{1}$                    | ~ 6                | 4.35     | 0.135 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | S19        |
|   | D.(                         | 10                 | 2.04     | 0.187 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup>  | This       |
| $Ga(IO_3)_3$  | $Ga(IO_3)_3$ $P6_3$ 13 3.94 | 0.159 <sup>b</sup> | work     |                               |            |

**Table S4.** Space group, SHG responses, band gap, birefringence for the iodatematerials only including IO3- unit.

<sup>a.</sup> calculated birefringence; <sup>b.</sup> experimented birefringence.

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| $\alpha$ -Ba <sub>2</sub> [GaF <sub>4</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ](IO <sub>3</sub> ) | $Pna2_1$                | ~ 6        | 4.61     | 0.126 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup> | S19  |
| $\beta$ -Ba <sub>2</sub> [GaF <sub>4</sub> (IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ](IO <sub>3</sub> )  | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> | ~ 6        | 4.35     | 0.135 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup> | S19  |
| Ga(IO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>   | <i>P</i> 6 <sub>3</sub> | 13         | 3.94     | 0.187 @ 1064 nm <sup>a</sup> | This |
|   |                         |            |          | 0.159 <sup>b</sup>           | work |

 Table S5. Properties of NLO gallium iodates.

a. calculated data; <sup>b.</sup> experimented data.

| $Ga(IO_3)_3 (Z = 2)$                        |  |                           |              |           |                 |
|---|--|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Graning                                     | Valence of                               | Dipole moment (D = Debye) |              |           |                 |
| Species                                     | central atom                             | x(a)                      | y(b)         | z(c)      | total magnitude |
| GalO <sub>6</sub>                           | 3.1377                                   | 0                         | 0            | -1.5237   | 1.5237          |
| Ga1O <sub>6</sub>                           | 3.1377                                   | 0                         | 0            | -1.5237   | 1.5237          |
| I1O <sub>3</sub>                            | 4.9390                                   | 6.3867                    | -<br>15.6911 | -37.2953  | 40.9627         |
| I1O3  | 4.9390                                   | 5.0027                    | 7.9833       | -32.4618  | 33.8013         |
| I1O <sub>3</sub>                            | 4.9390                                   | -23.0483                  | 2.0361       | -27.6529  | 36.0563         |
| I1O3  | 4.9390                                   | -6.3867                   | 15.6911      | -37.2953  | 40.9627         |
| I1O3  | 4.9390                                   | 5.0027                    | -7.9833      | -32.4618  | 33.8013         |
| I1O3  | 4.9390                                   | 23.0483                   | -2.0361      | -27.6529  | 36.0563         |
| Net dipole moment                           |  | 0                         | 0            | -3.0474   |                 |
| Net dipole moment<br>(IO <sub>3</sub> )     |  | 0                         | 0            | -194.82   |                 |
| Net dipole moment (a<br>unit cell)          |  | 0                         | 0            | -197.8674 |                 |
| Cell volume                                 | 1163.45 Å <sup>3</sup>                   |                           |              |           |                 |
| Dipole moment density<br>(IO <sub>3</sub> ) | 194.82/1163.45=0.167 D/Å <sup>3</sup>    |                           |              |           |                 |
| Dipole moment density<br>(a unit cell)      | 197.8674/1163.45= 0.170 D/Å <sup>3</sup> |                           |              |           |                 |
| Bond Strain Index (BSI)                     | 0.190 vu                                 |                           |              |           |                 |
| Global Instability Index<br>(GII)           | 0.178 vu                                 |                           |              |           |                 |

**Table S6.** Calculation of the dipole moment for  $GaO_6$  and  $IO_3$  polyhedrons and thenet dipole moment for a unit cell, and BSI and GII indices of  $Ga(IO_3)_3$ .

## 2. Supplementary Figures.



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Figure S4. The Raman spectrum of Ga(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S5. Birefringence measurement of Ga(IO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>; (a) the original crystal; (b) the crystal in the extinction state; (c) the crystal interference color observed under the microscope and (d) the photographs of crystal thickness.



**Figure S6.** The direction of dipole moments of  $IO_3^-$  units in  $Ga(IO_3)_3$ .

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