

Room Temperature Lead-free Multiaxial Inorganic-organic Hybrid Ferroelectric

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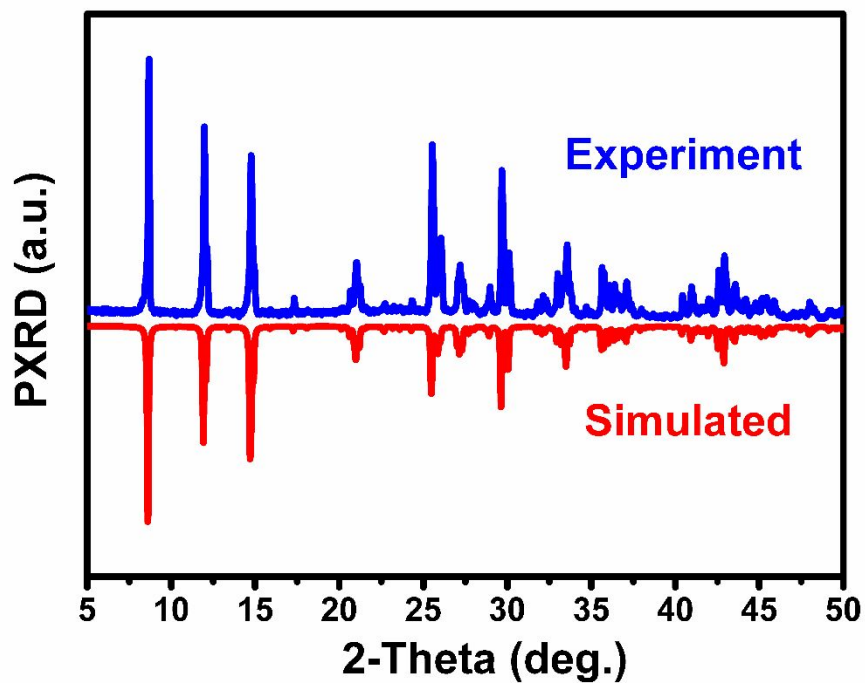


Figure S1. PXRD patterns of **1** at 300 K.

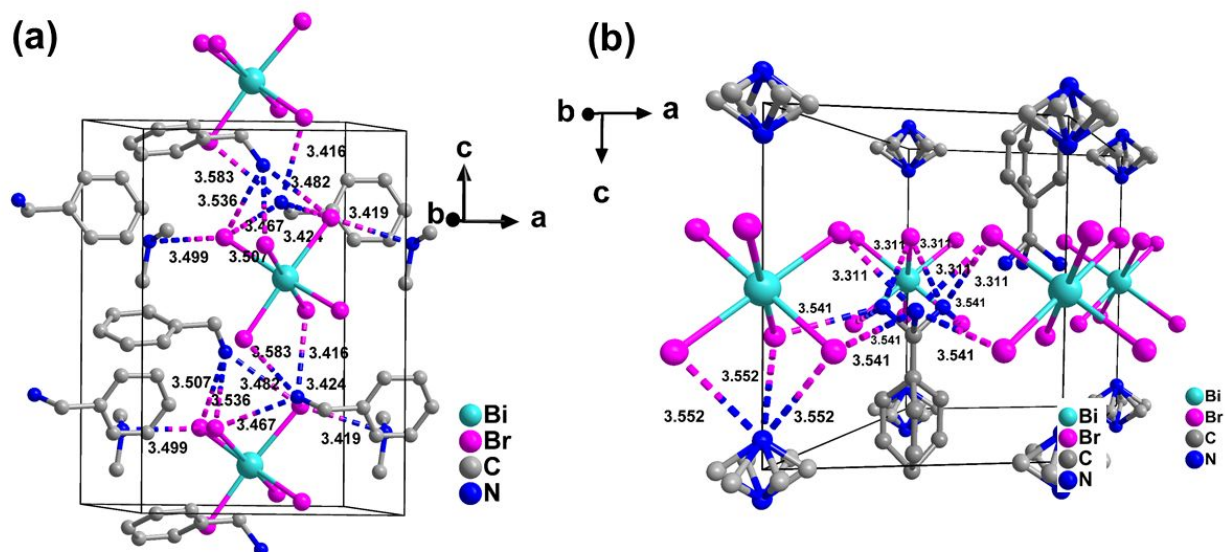


Figure S2. The distance (\AA) between the acceptors (Br) and donors (N) in LTP (a) and HTP (b) of **1**.

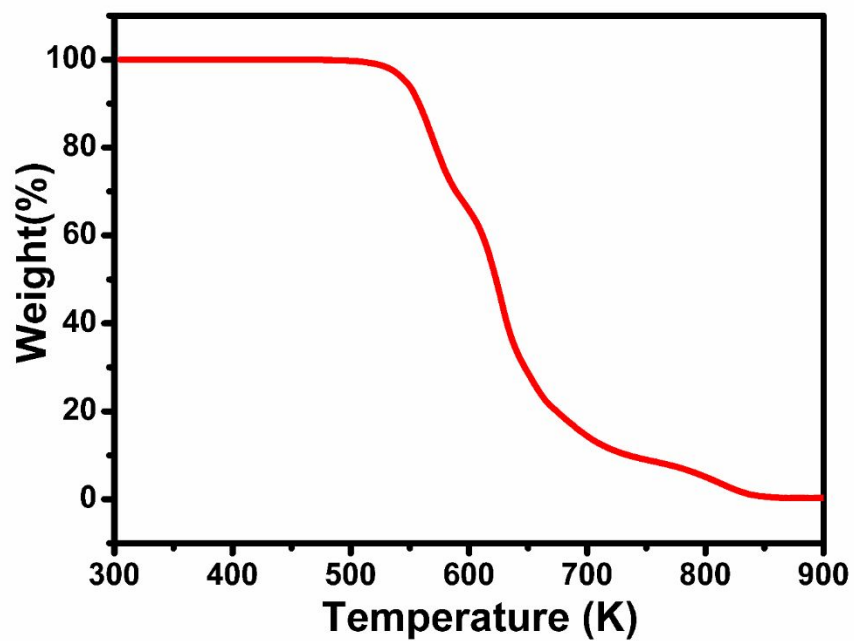


Figure S3. TG curve of 1 with heating rate of $10 \text{ K} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$, indicating a high thermal stability up to 500 K.

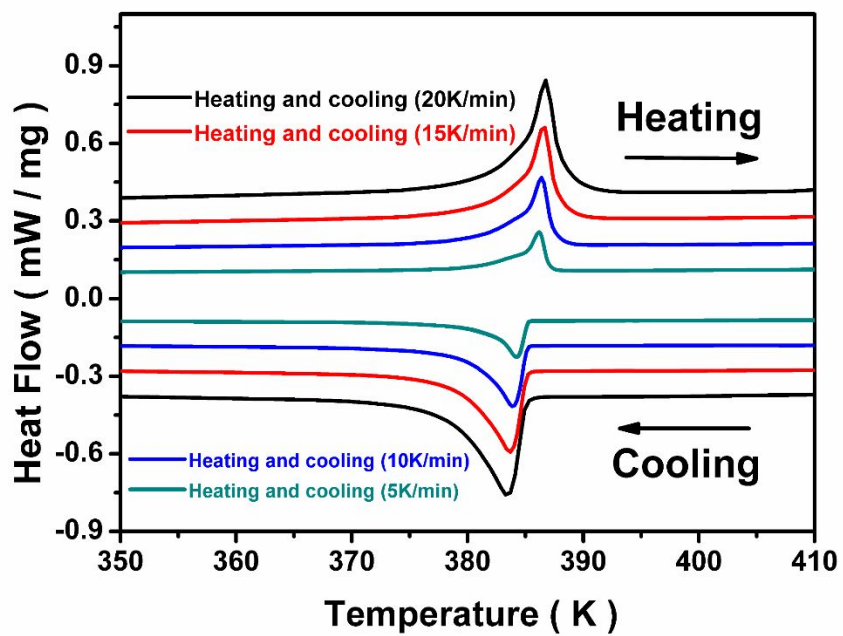


Figure S4. DSC curves of **1** at different scanning rates.

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) measurements were performed on a PerkinElmer Diamond DSC with heating and cooling rates of 5, 10, 15 and 20 K·min⁻¹ (the mass of the sample is 11.40 mg) under nitrogen atmospheres.

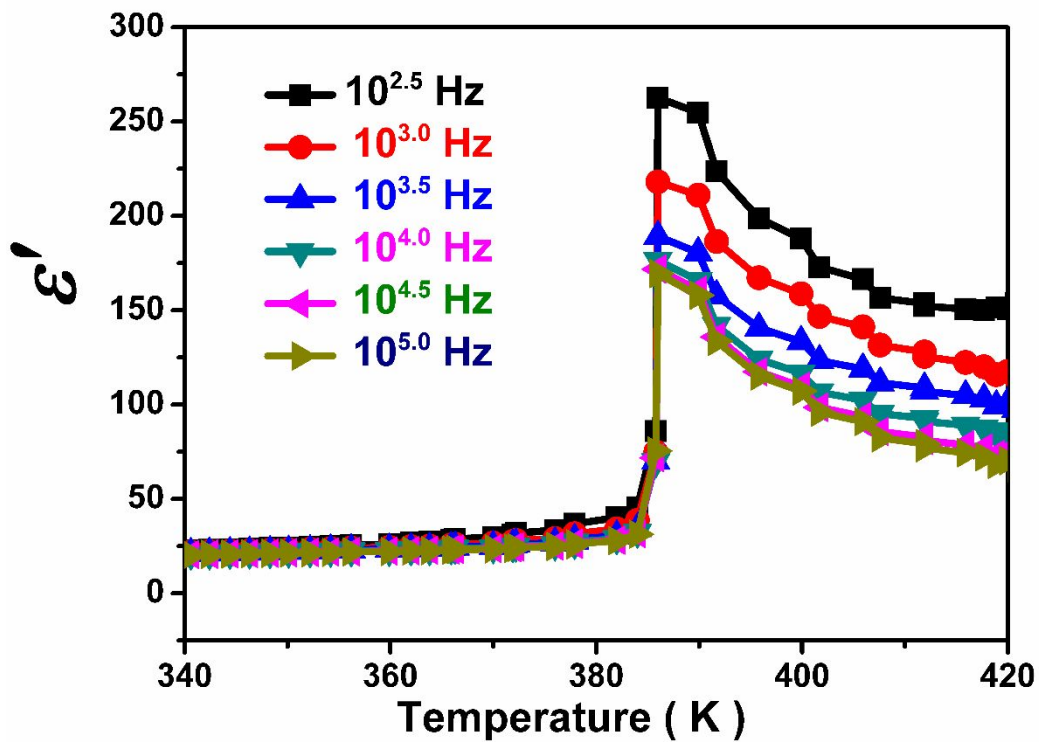


Figure S5. The temperature dependence of dielectric real parts (ϵ') for **1** at different frequencies.

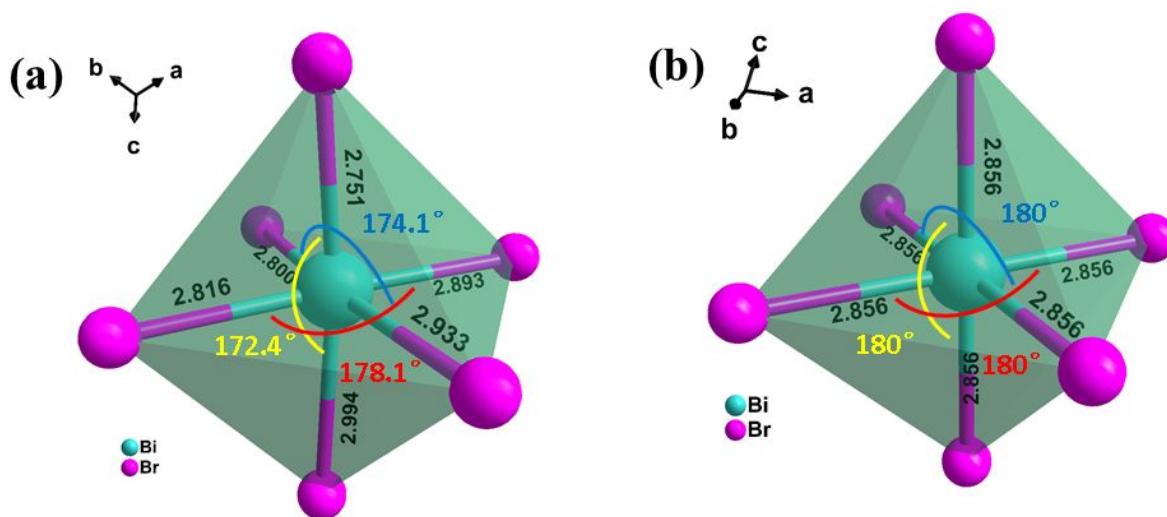


Figure S6. The comparison of BiBr₆ octahedron in LTP (a) and HTP (b) of 1.

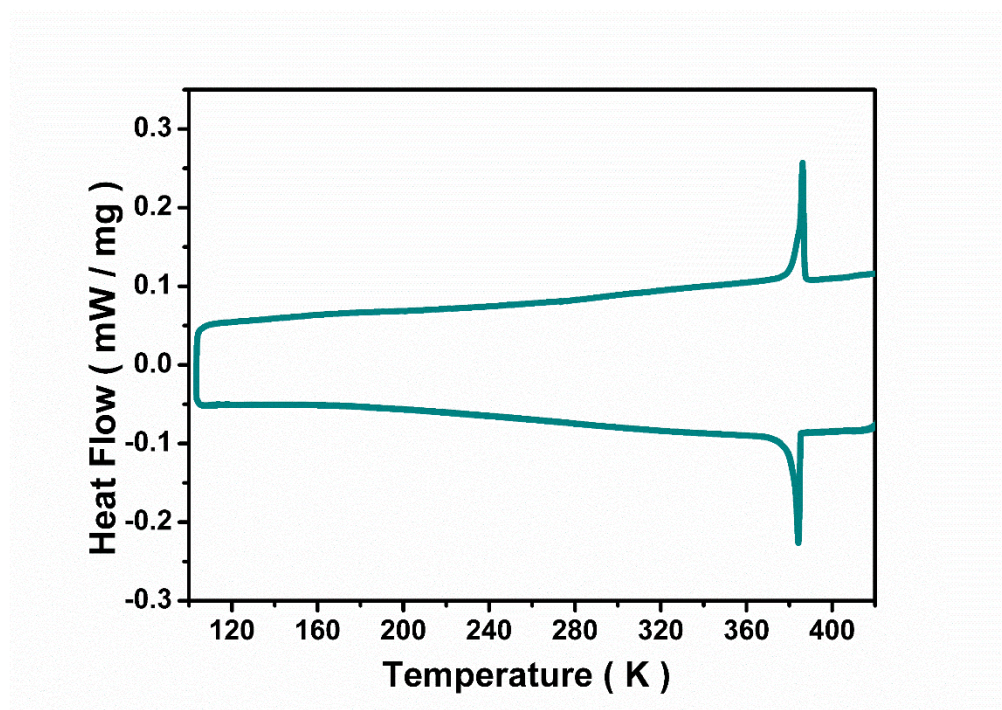


Figure S7. DSC curves of 1 at temperature range 100 K to 425 K.

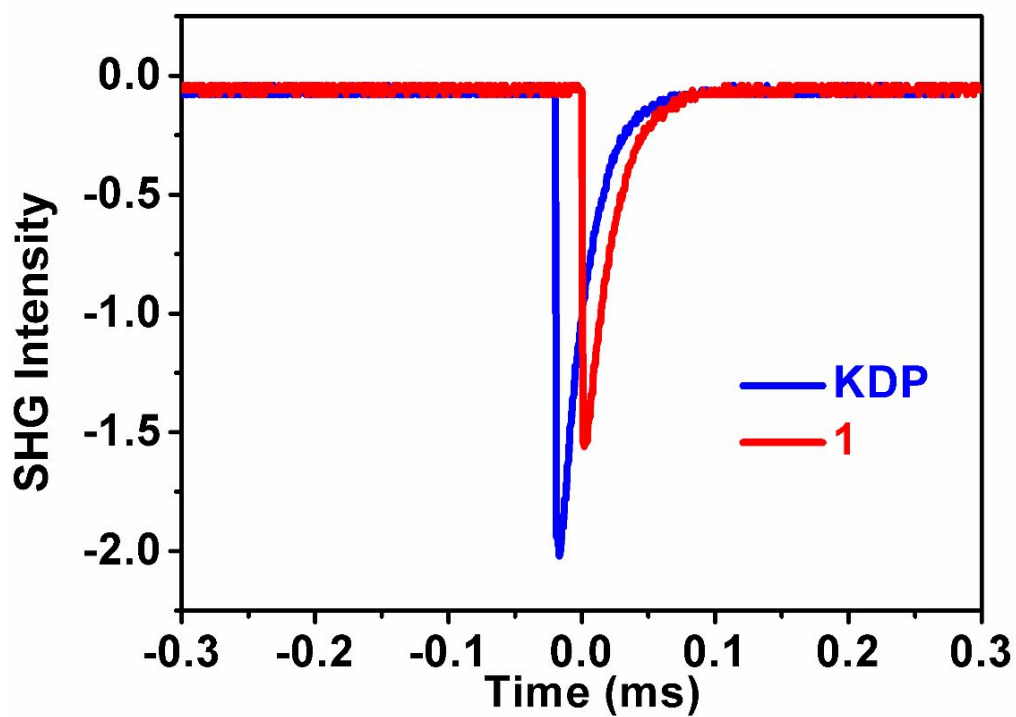


Figure S8. Oscilloscope traces of SHG signals for 1 and KDP

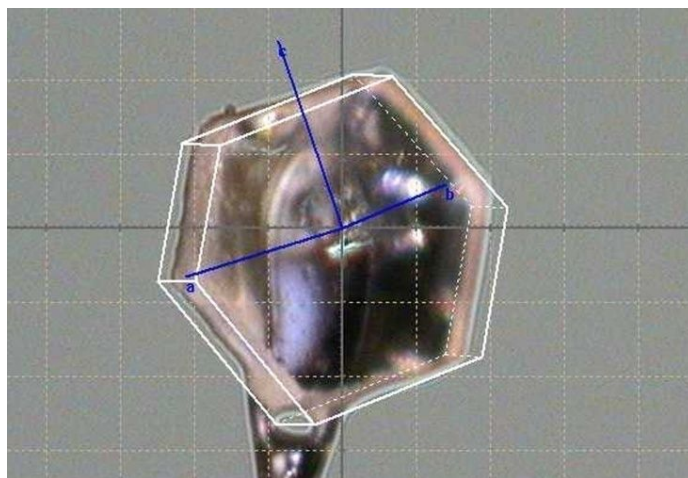


Figure S9. The plate surface of the signal crystal 1 and the orientation of the crystal is determined by a data analysis software of Agilent Supernova CCD diffractometer.

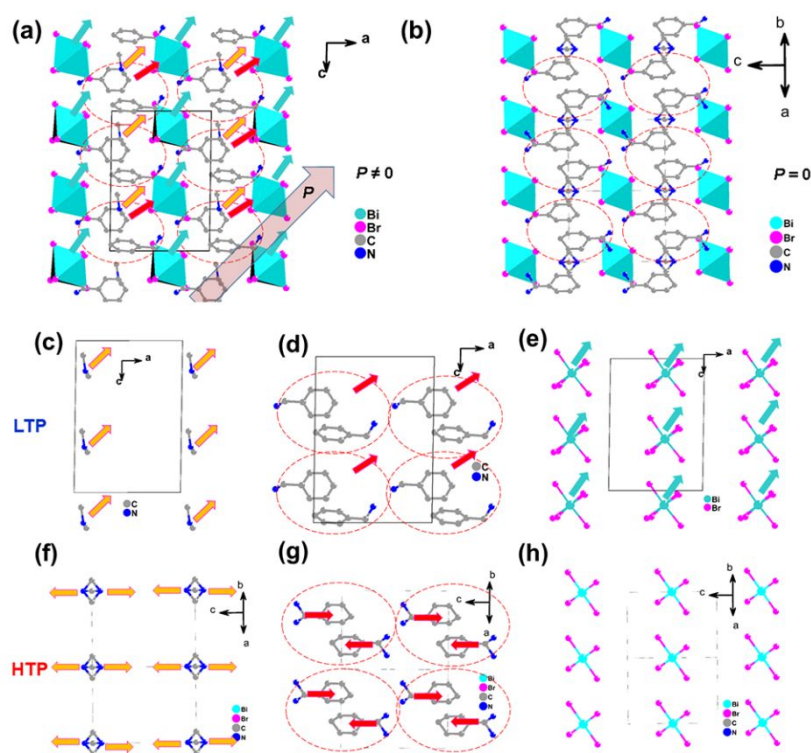


Figure S10. Crystal packing of **1** viewed along the *b*-axis direction in the (a) LTP and the same view in the (b) HTP. The projection of LTP (c, d, e) and HTP (f, g, h) on *ac* plane are divided into three parts for the convenience of analysis and discussion.

In order to show the overall polarity, the projection of LTP and HTP on *ac* plane are divided into three parts for the convenience of analysis and discussion. As depicted in Figure S10c and S10d, all the C-N bonds of the $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+$ and $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}_2^+$ cations align along a certain direction on the *ac* plane. Meanwhile, inorganic BiBr_6 octahedra with a sterically distorted configuration also leads to the displacements of negatively charged centers along a certain direction on the *ac* plane (Figure S10e). Consequently, the combination of dynamic movement of organic and inorganic cations gives rise to dipoles along a certain direction on the *ac* plane, thereby resulting in nonzero net spontaneous polarization, which suggests the possible ferroelectricity of **1** (Figure S10a). In the HTP, **1** crystallizes in centrosymmetric space group $P\bar{3}m1$. For organic cations, the $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+$ and $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}_2^+$ cations become highly disordered in the HTP (Figure S10f and S10g). And the inorganic BiBr_6 octahedra exhibits a sterically regular configuration (Figure S10h). These results satisfy the demands of crystallographic symmetry, leading to a zero net

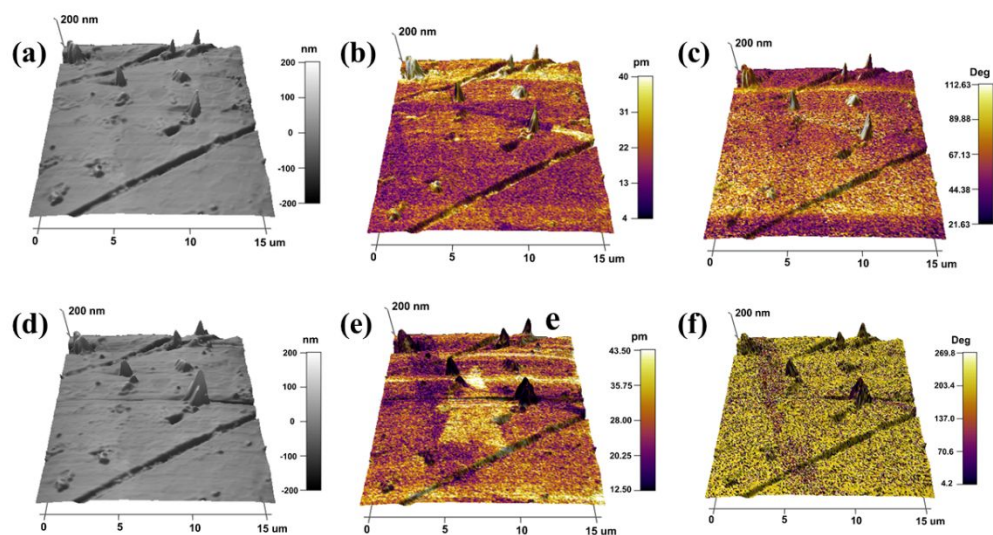


Figure S12. Polarization reversal was measured by a single crystal sample of **1**.

Topographic images (a), vertical PFM amplitude image (b) and vertical PFM phase images (c) of the crystal surface overlaid on 3D topography in initial state. Topography image (d), vertical PFM amplitude image (e) and vertical PFM phase image (f) overlaid on 3D topography recorded after writing a star area with +80/-80 V.

Table S1. Crystal data of **1** at 300 K.

Compound	$[(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{NH}_2] [\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2]_2\text{BiBr}_6$ (1)
temperature (K)	300.01(10)
phase	LTP
formula weight	950.85
crystal system	monoclinic
space group	Pc
a (Å)	10.2649(2)
b (Å)	8.6093(2)

c (Å)	14.6506(3)
α (deg)	90
β (deg)	90.408(2)
γ (deg)	90
volume (Å ³)	1294.70(5)
Z	2
scan mode	ω -scan
μ (mm ⁻¹)	24.264
$F(000)$	876.0
crystal size (mm ³)	0.18 × 0.15 × 0.06
radiation	Mo K α
wavelength (Å)	0.71073
2θ range for data	8.614-137.322
collection (deg)	
index ranges	$-11 \leq h \leq 12,$ $-9 \leq k \leq 10,$ $-17 \leq l \leq 17$
density (g cm ⁻³)	2.439
reflections collected	7892
R_{int}	0.0410
refinement method	full-matrix least-squares on F^2
data/restraints/parameters	3839/11/215
goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.050
$R_1, \omega R_2$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	0.0656, 0.1684
$R_1, \omega R_2$ [all data]	0.0664, 0.1691
ρ_{max}, ρ_{min} (e Å ⁻³)	1.15, -2.35
$^a R_1 = \sum F_o - F_c / \sum F_o , \omega R_2 = \{ \sum [\omega (F_o ^2 - F_c ^2)] / \sum [\omega F_o ^4] \}^{1/2}$ and $\omega = 1 / [\sigma^2(F_o^2) +$	

$$(0.0885P)^2 + 28.1926P].$$