

# Supporting Information

## Computational Search for New W–Mo–B Compounds

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## Crystal Data

Table S1. Crystal structures, distance to convex hull, and zero-point energy of the predicted W–Mo–B phases.

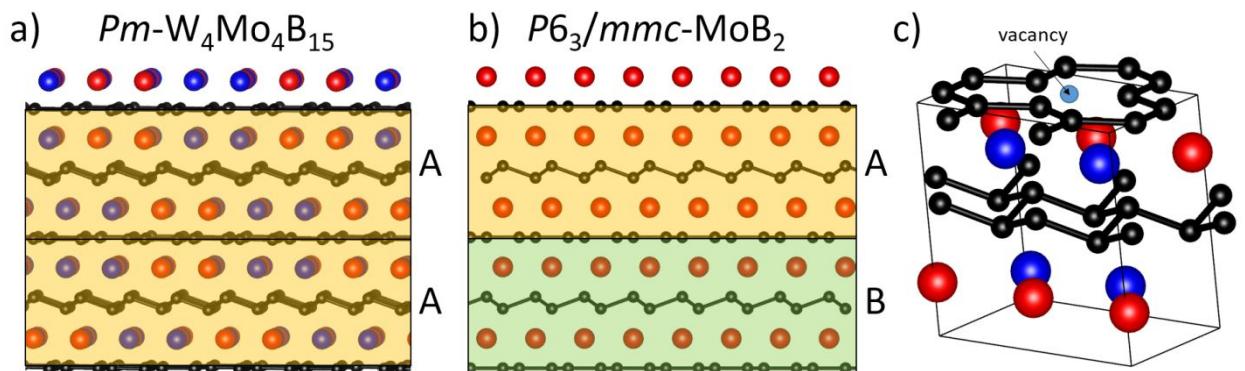
Phase	Volume of unit, Å <sup>3</sup>	Lattice parameters	Coordinates				$\Delta H$ , meV/atom	ZPE, meV/atom
			Sym	x	y	z		
<i>Pm</i> - W <sub>4</sub> Mo <sub>4</sub> B <sub>15</sub>	217.34	$a = 5.198 \text{ \AA}$ , $b = 5.999 \text{ \AA}$ , $c = 7.183 \text{ \AA}$ , $\beta = 76.01^\circ$		0.4612		0.2230		
				-		-		
				0.3878		0.2279		
				-		0.2246		
				0.0340		0.2228		
			W1	-	-0.2532	-	0.2284	
			W2	0.0331	-0.2545	-		
			Mo1	0.1152	0.0000		0.2265	
			Mo2	0.1176	0.5000	-		
			Mo3	0.2130	0.0000		0.0037	
			Mo4	-	0.5000		0.4544	
			B1	0.2799	-0.2599	-		
			B2	0.3582	-0.2512		0.4577	
			B3	-	-0.2513	-		0
			B4	0.1271	-0.2533			13.7
			B5	-	0.5000		0.0001	
			B6	0.3057	0.0000		0.0030	
			B7	0.3704	0.5000	-		
			B8	0.2224	0.0000		0.0008	
			B9	-	0.0000		0.4513	
			B10	0.1453	0.5000	-		
			B11	0.2205	0.0000		0.4554	
				8			0.4536	
				-		-		
				0.1423		0.4562		
				-		-		
				0.2942		0.0041		
<i>P1</i> - W <sub>5</sub> MoB <sub>14</sub>	182.74	$a = 8.356 \text{ \AA}$ , $b = 5.198 \text{ \AA}$ , $c = 5.198 \text{ \AA}$ , $\alpha = 60.04^\circ$ $\beta = \gamma = 108.02^\circ$	W1	-	-0.3047	-		
			W2	0.3982	0.0375	-	0.4202	
			W3	-	0.1708	-		
			W4	0.3978	-0.1696		0.0914	
			W5	0.0051	0.3665		0.0440	
			Mo1	0.0052	-0.4996			

			Coordinates	$\Delta H$ ,	ZPE,
			B1 - 0.3026 - B2 0.3981 0.2689 0.2859 B3 0.0052 -0.1005 0.2503 B4 0.4092 -0.3993 0.3846 B5 0.3036 -0.4346 - B6 0.1974 -0.0650 0.1507 B7 0.3044 0.1095 0.1456 B8 0.1977 0.4339 0.4437 B9 0.3036 0.1002 0.4803 B10 - -0.2427 0.1108 B11 0.1964 -0.2328 - B12 - -0.3632 0.1884 B13 0.1965 0.2299 - B14 - -0.0318 0.3535 0.1971 - - 0.0301 0.1967 0.3131 - 0.3229 0.1959 - 0.4094 0.0198 0.1974 0.1816 0.4092 - - 0.2211 - 0.4850		
<i>P3m1-</i> WMo <sub>2</sub> B <sub>11</sub>	124.96	$a = b = 3.008 \text{ \AA}$ , $c = 15.942 \text{ \AA}$ , $\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ$ $\gamma = 120^\circ$	W1 0.3333 0.6667 0.3575 Mo1 0.3333 0.6667 - Mo2 0.6667 0.3333 0.3391 B1 0.6667 0.3333 0.0092 B2 0.6667 0.3333 0.1512 B3 0.6667 0.3333 0.2621 B4 0.3333 0.6667 - B5 0.3333 0.6667 0.4393 B6 0.3333 0.6667 0.2163 B7 0.6667 0.3333 0.1065 B8 0.6667 0.3333 - B9 0.3333 0.6667 0.4914 B10 0.3333 0.6667 0.4574 B11 0.6667 0.3333 - - 0.2441	5.2	13.96

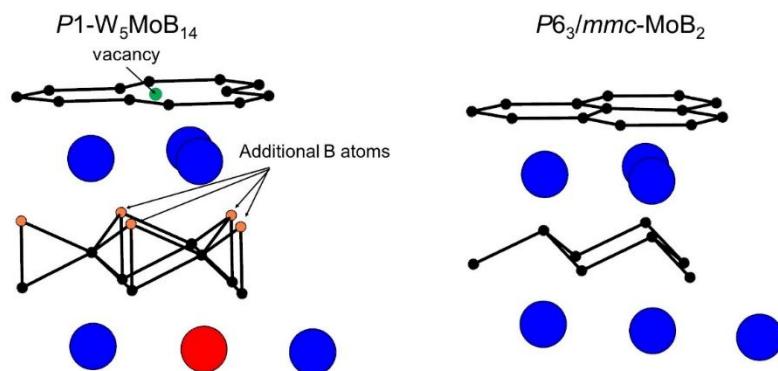
			Coordinates	$\Delta H,$	ZPE,
				-	
				0.0886	
				-	
				0.1980	
				-	
				0.1333	

Phase	Volume of unit, Å <sup>3</sup>	Lattice parameters	Coordinates			ΔH, meV/atom	ZPE, meV/atom
			Sym	x	y		
<i>P</i> 1-WMo <sub>2</sub> B <sub>3</sub>	62.77	<i>a</i> = <i>b</i> = 5.505 Å, <i>c</i> = 4.429 Å, α = 79.20° β = 100.78° γ = 78.37°	W1 Mo1 Mo2 B1 B2 B3	0.4385 0.1047 0.2270 - 0.4768 0.1912 0.1446	-0.2287 0.1075 -0.4376 -0.1436 0.1902 0.4767 -0.0831	4.1	10.76
<i>Pm</i> - WMo <sub>5</sub> B <sub>6</sub>	125.55	<i>a</i> = 4.558 Å, <i>b</i> = 3.094 Å, <i>c</i> = 8.992 Å, β = 81.93°	W1 Mo1 Mo2 Mo3 Mo4 Mo5 B1 B2 B3 B4 B5 B6	0.4049 0.0716 - 0.1126 0.2204 - 0.4471 - 0.2611 - 0.2874 - 0.0885 - 0.4229 0.3790 0.2450 0.0472	0.5000 0.5000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.5000 0.0000 0.5000 0.0000 0.5000 0.0000 0.0000 0.2733 0.3133 -0.3536 -0.3934 -0.0204 -0.0598	2.5	11.02

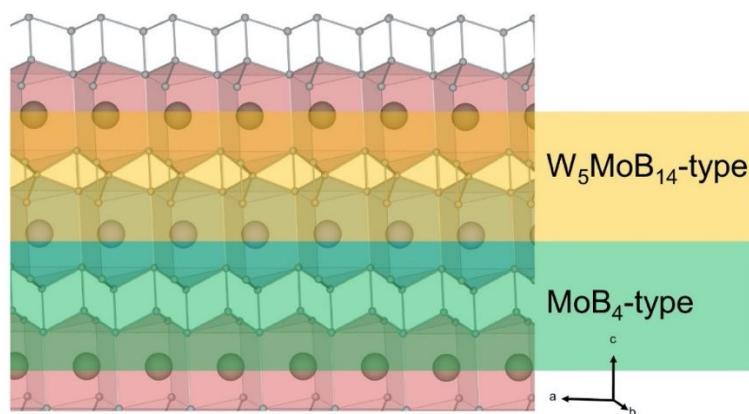
## Crystal Structure Details



**Figure S1.** Crystal structures of (a)  $Pm\text{-}W_4\text{Mo}_4\text{B}_{15}$  and (b)  $P6_3/mmc\text{-}MoB_2$ . (c) Boron vacancy in the hexagonal B layer of  $Pm\text{-}W_4\text{Mo}_4\text{B}_{15}$ .

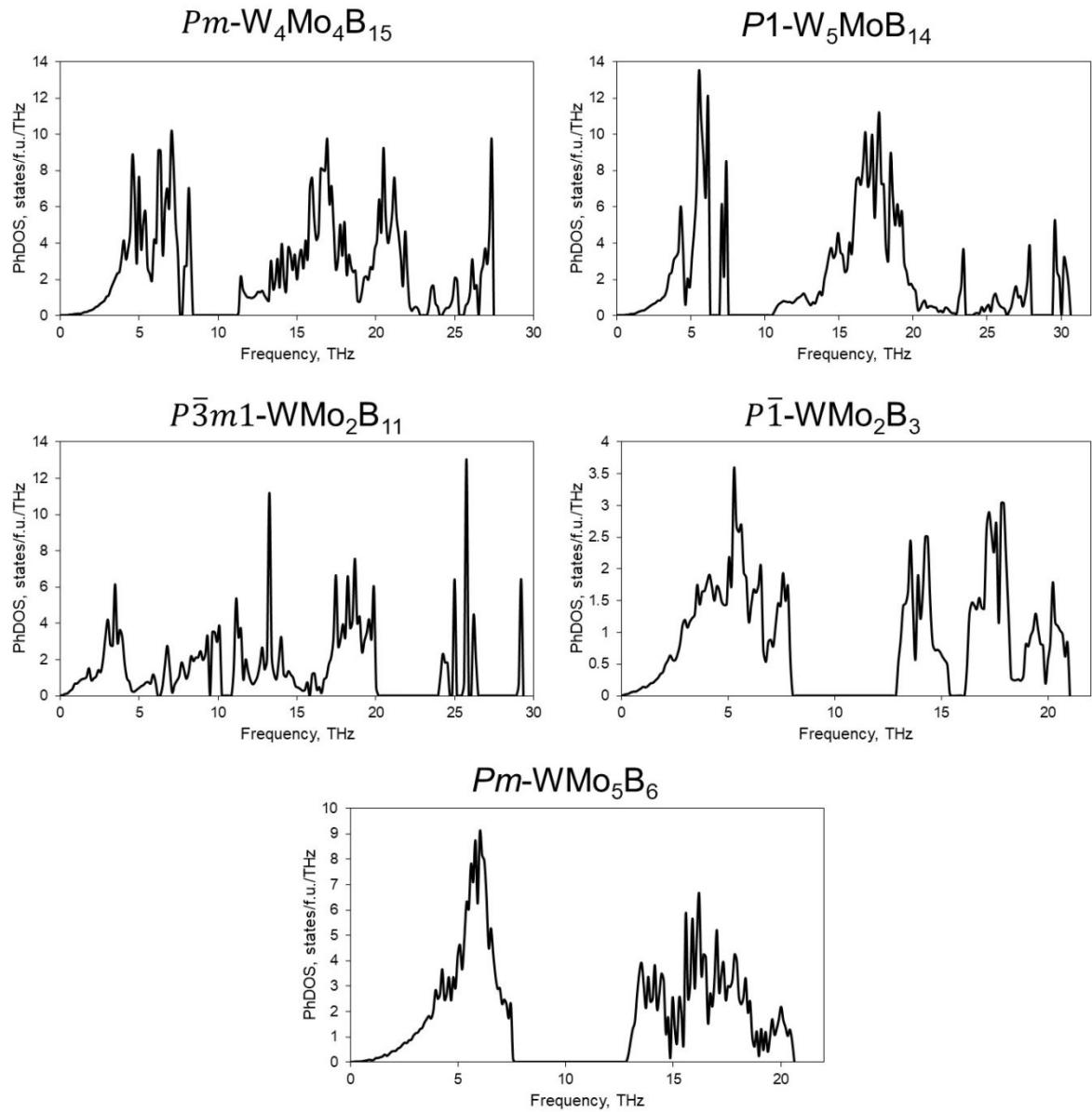


**Figure S2.** Crystal structures of  $P1\text{-}W_5\text{MoB}_{14}$  and  $P6_3/mmc\text{-}MoB_2$ . The atoms of molybdenum, tungsten, and boron are shown by red, blue, and black circles, respectively. Orange circles indicate additional boron atoms with respect to the  $P6_3/mmc\text{-}MoB_2$  structure.



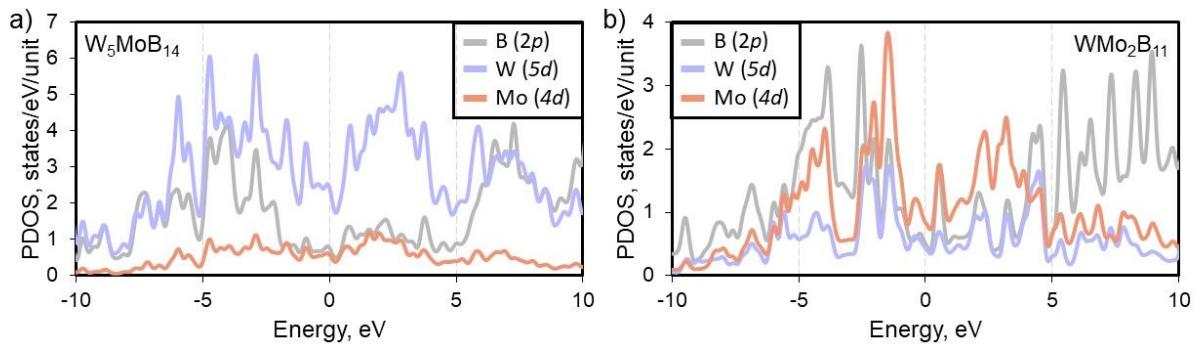
**Figure S3.** Crystal structure of  $P\bar{3}m1\text{-}WMo_2\text{B}_{11}$ .

## Phonons



**Figure S4.** Phonon densities of states for the predicted W–Mo–B compounds.

## Electronic Properties



**Figure S5.** Projected densities of states of (c)  $W_5MoB_{14}$ , and (d)  $WMo_2B_{11}$ : gray, boron; red, molybdenum; blue, tungsten.

## Configurational Entropy

Table S2. Configurational entropy contribution to Gibbs free energy ( $TS_{\text{conf}}$ ) of each ternary compound calculated using Boltzmann's entropy formula.

	$TS_{\text{conf}}$ , meV/atom					
	0 K	300 K	500 K	1000 K	1500 K	2000 K
W <sub>4</sub> Mo <sub>4</sub> B <sub>15</sub>	0.043	12.998	21.664	43.328	64.992	86.656
W <sub>5</sub> MoB <sub>14</sub>	0.023	7.020	11.700	23.400	35.100	46.800
WMo <sub>2</sub> B <sub>11</sub>	0.016	4.871	8.119	16.237	24.356	32.475
WMo <sub>2</sub> B <sub>3</sub>	0.055	16.572	27.620	55.240	82.860	110.480
WMo <sub>5</sub> B <sub>6</sub>	0.039	11.786	19.643	39.285	58.928	78.570