

# Syntheses and Characterizations of New Mid-Infrared Transparency Compounds: Centric Ba<sub>2</sub>BiGaS<sub>5</sub> and Acentric Ba<sub>2</sub>BiInS<sub>5</sub>

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## Supporting Information

**Table S1.** Atomic Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters  $U_{eq}$ <sup>a</sup> ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  
Ba<sub>2</sub>BiMS<sub>5</sub> (M = Ga, In)

| Atom                               | <i>x</i>  | <i>y</i>  | <i>z</i>  | $U_{eq}$ |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Ba <sub>2</sub> BiGaS <sub>5</sub> |           |           |           |          |
| Ba(1)                              | 0.3228(1) | 0.0084(1) | 0.3839(1) | 11(1)    |
| Bi(1)                              | 0.0184(1) | 0.2500    | 0.5375(1) | 11(1)    |
| Ga(1)                              | 0.0951(1) | 0.2500    | 0.1724(1) | 9 (1)    |
| S(1)                               | 0.0554(1) | 0.0493(2) | 0.3246(1) | 12(1)    |

|                                        |           |           |           |       |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| S(2)                                   | 0.2150(2) | 0.2500    | 0.6275(2) | 12(1) |
| S(3)                                   | 0.2760(2) | 0.2500    | 0.1196(2) | 11(1) |
| S(4)                                   | 0.4934(2) | 0.2500    | 0.5339(2) | 12(1) |
| <b>Ba<sub>2</sub>BiInS<sub>5</sub></b> |           |           |           |       |
| Ba(1)                                  | 0         | 0.1117(1) | 0.6861(1) | 12(1) |
| Ba(2)                                  | 0         | 0.1294(1) | 0.3093(1) | 13(1) |
| Bi(1)                                  | 0         | 0.2178(1) | 0.2200(1) | 17(1) |
| In(1)                                  | 0         | 0.4450(1) | 0.4486(1) | 16(1) |
| S(1)                                   | 0         | 0.4300(4) | 0.5090(5) | 34(2) |
| S(2)                                   | 0         | 0.2843(3) | 0.6648(5) | 14(1) |
| S(3)                                   | 0         | 0.3156(3) | 0.3670(4) | 16(1) |
| S(4)                                   | 0         | 0.3585(3) | 0.0000(4) | 12(1) |
| S(5)                                   | 0         | 0.5039(3) | 0.2753(5) | 13(1) |

<sup>a</sup>  $U_{eq}$  is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths, angles and bond valence sums (BVS) for Ba<sub>2</sub>BiMS<sub>5</sub> (M = Ga, In)

| <b>Ba<sub>2</sub>BiGaS<sub>5</sub></b> |            |                  |               |            |        |
|----------------------------------------|------------|------------------|---------------|------------|--------|
| atom                                   | distance   | BVS              | atom          | distance   | BVS    |
| Ba(1)–S(3)                             | 3.2463(18) | 0.2760           | Bi(1)–S(1)    | 2.6504(16) | 0.7623 |
| Ba(1)–S(4)                             | 3.2809(18) | 0.2514           | Bi(1)–S(1) #5 | 2.6504(16) | 0.7623 |
| Ba(1)–S(2) #1                          | 3.2820(18) | 0.2506           | Bi(1)–S(1) #6 | 3.0756(19) | 0.2416 |
| Ba(1)–S(4) #2                          | 3.2970(18) | 0.2407           | Bi(1)–S(1) #7 | 3.0756(19) | 0.2416 |
| Ba(1)–S(1)                             | 3.319(2)   | 0.2268           |               | $\Sigma=$  | 3.0748 |
| Ba(1)–S(2)                             | 3.3317(18) | 0.2191           | Ga(1)–S(4) #8 | 2.219(2)   | 0.8760 |
| Ba(1)–S(3) #3                          | 3.3460(18) | 0.2108           | Ga(1)–S(3)    | 2.253(2)   | 0.7991 |
| Ba(1)–S(1) #4                          | 3.4098(19) | 0.1774           | Ga(1)–S(1)    | 2.2999(16) | 0.7039 |
|                                        |            | $\Sigma=$ 1.8528 | Ga(1)–S(1) #5 | 2.2999(16) | 0.7039 |
| Bi(1)–S(2)                             | 2.526(2)   | 1.067            |               | $\Sigma=$  | 3.0829 |

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| S(2)–Bi(1)–S(1)     | 93.82(5)  | S(1)#5–Bi(1)–S(1)#7 | 157.47(3) |
| S(2)–Bi(1)–S(1)#5   | 93.82(5)  | S(1)#6–Bi(1)–S(1)#7 | 120.60(6) |
| S(1)–Bi(1)–S(1)#5   | 85.04(7)  | S(4)#8–Ga(1)–S(3)   | 111.85(8) |
| S(2)–Bi(1)–S(1)#6   | 98.62(4)  | S(4)#8–Ga(1)–S(1)   | 111.92(5) |
| S(1)–Bi(1)–S(1)#6   | 157.47(3) | S(3)–Ga(1)–S(1)     | 109.20(5) |
| S(1)#5–Bi(1)–S(1)#6 | 75.50(5)  | S(4)#8–Ga(1)–S(1)#5 | 111.92(5) |
| S(2)–Bi(1)–S(1)#7   | 98.62(4)  | S(3)–Ga(1)–S(1)#5   | 109.20(5) |
| S(1)–Bi(1)–S(1)#7   | 75.50(5)  | S(1)–Ga(1)–S(1)#5   | 102.31(8) |

### **Ba<sub>2</sub>BiInS<sub>5</sub>**

| atom         | distance  | BVS    | atoms        | distance  | BVS    |
|--------------|-----------|--------|--------------|-----------|--------|
| Ba(1)–S(2)   | 3.160(6)  | 0.3485 | Ba(2)–S(3)   | 3.476(6)  | 0.1484 |
| Ba(1)–S(5)#1 | 3.203(4)  | 0.3103 | Ba(2)–S(1)   | 3.638(7)  | 0.0958 |
| Ba(1)–S(5)#2 | 3.203(4)  | 0.3103 |              | $\Sigma=$ | 2.109  |
| Ba(1)–S(4)#1 | 3.223(4)  | 0.2940 | Bi(1)–S(4)   | 2.582(5)  | 0.9171 |
| Ba(1)–S(4)#2 | 3.223(4)  | 0.2940 | Bi(1)–S(2)#7 | 2.794(4)  | 0.5171 |
| Ba(1)–S(1)#3 | 3.304(7)  | 0.2362 | Bi(1)–S(2)#6 | 2.794(4)  | 0.5171 |
| Ba(1)–S(3)#2 | 3.399(4)  | 0.1827 | Bi(1)–S(3)#6 | 2.959(4)  | 0.3311 |
| Ba(1)–S(3)#1 | 3.399(4)  | 0.1827 | Bi(1)–S(3)#7 | 2.959(4)  | 0.3311 |
|              | $\Sigma=$ | 2.1587 | Bi(1)–S(1)   | 3.212(4)  | 0.1764 |
| Ba(2)–S(5)#4 | 3.156(4)  | 0.3523 |              | $\Sigma=$ | 2.7899 |
| Ba(2)–S(5)#5 | 3.156(4)  | 0.3523 | In(1)–S(5)   | 2.447(6)  | 0.7905 |
| Ba(2)–S(2)#6 | 3.219(4)  | 0.2972 | In(1)–S(1)#2 | 2.501(4)  | 0.6831 |
| Ba(2)–S(2)#7 | 3.219(5)  | 0.2972 | In(1)–S(1)#1 | 2.501(4)  | 0.6831 |
| Ba(2)–S(4)#2 | 3.229(4)  | 0.2829 | In(1)–S(3)   | 2.578(6)  | 0.5548 |
| Ba(2)–S(4)#1 | 3.229(4)  | 0.2829 |              | $\Sigma=$ | 2.7115 |

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|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| S(4)–Bi(1)–S(2)#7   | 94.79(14)  | S(2)#6–Bi(1)–S(3)#7 | 167.12(16) |
| S(4)–Bi(1)–S(2)#6   | 94.79(14)  | S(3)#6–Bi(1)–S(3)#7 | 91.89(16)  |
| S(2)#7–Bi(1)–S(2)#6 | 99.12(19)  | S(5)–In(1)–S(1)#2   | 115.30(16) |
| S(4)–Bi(1)–S(3)#6   | 97.65(14)  | S(5)–In(1)–S(1)#1   | 115.30(15) |
| S(2)#7–Bi(1)–S(3)#6 | 167.12(16) | S(1)#2–In(1)–S(1)#1 | 116.5(3)   |
| S(2)#6–Bi(1)–S(3)#6 | 83.16(12)  | S(5)–In(1)–S(3)     | 92.39(19)  |
| S(4)–Bi(1)–S(3)#7   | 97.65(14)  | S(1)#2–In(1)–S(3)   | 106.77(17) |
| S(2)#7–Bi(1)–S(3)#7 | 83.16(12)  | S(1)#1–In(1)–S(3)   | 106.77(17) |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

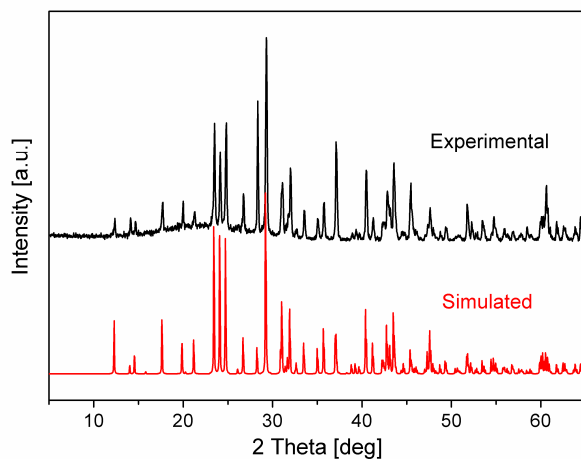
For Ba<sub>2</sub>BiGaS<sub>5</sub>: #1  $-x+1/2, -y, z-1/2$ ; #2  $-x+1, -y, -z+1$ ; #3  $-x+1/2, -y, z+1/2$ ; #4  $x+1/2, y, -z+1/2$ ; #5  $x, -y+1/2, z$ ; #6  $-x, y+1/2, -z+1$ ; #7  $-x, -y, -z+1$ ; #8  $x-1/2, y, -z+1/2$ .

For Ba<sub>2</sub>BiInS<sub>5</sub>: #1  $-x-1/2, -y+1/2, z+1/2$ ; #2  $-x+1/2, -y+1/2, z+1/2$ ; #3  $-x, -y, z+1/2$ ; #4  $x-1/2, y-1/2, z$ ; #5  $x+1/2, y-1/2, z$ ; #6  $-x-1/2, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ ; #7  $-x+1/2, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ .

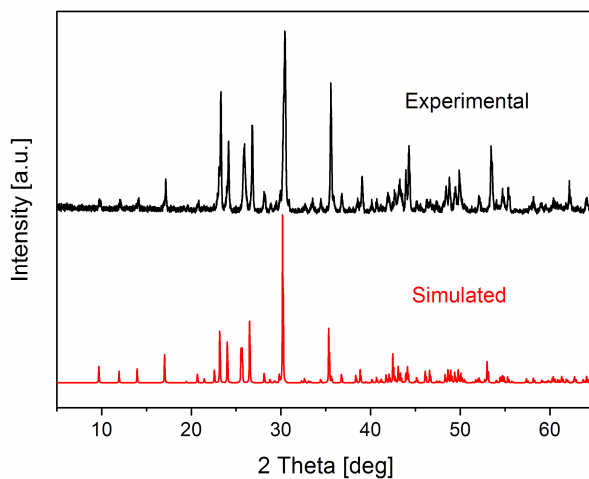
**Table S3.** The special  $k$ -point definitions in the first BZ and the corresponding state energies (eV) of the valence band maximum (VBM) and conduction band minimum (CBM) for Ba<sub>2</sub>BiMS<sub>5</sub> (M = Ga, In)

| $k$ -point                             | VBM      | CBM    |
|----------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| <b>Ba<sub>2</sub>BiGaS<sub>5</sub></b> |          |        |
| $\Gamma(0.0, 0.0, 0.0)$                | 0        | 2.5762 |
| Z(0.0, 0.0, 0.5)                       | -0.03827 | 2.5447 |
| T(-0.5, 0.0, 0.5)                      | -0.1112  | 2.5117 |
| Y(-0.5, 0.0, 0.0)                      | -0.1355  | 2.6946 |
| S(-0.5, 0.5, 0.0)                      | -0.0556  | 2.4096 |
| X(0.0, 0.5, 0.0)                       | -0.0519  | 2.5353 |
| U(0.0, 0.5, 0.5)                       | -0.0134  | 2.6921 |
| R(-0.5, 0.5, 0.5)                      | -0.1208  | 2.8048 |
| <b>Ba<sub>2</sub>BiInS<sub>5</sub></b> |          |        |
| $\Gamma(0.0, 0.0, 0.0)$                | -0.2381  | 1.6137 |

|                  |         |        |
|------------------|---------|--------|
| Z(0.0, 0.0, 0.5) | -0.3012 | 2.0031 |
| T(0.5, 0.5, 0.5) | -0.3401 | 1.8868 |
| Y(0.5, 0.5, 0.0) | -0.3008 | 1.9138 |
| S(0.0, 0.5, 0.0) | -0.2655 | 3.0876 |
| R(0.0, 0.5, 0.5) | -0.1776 | 3.0444 |
| Z(0.0, 0.0, 0.5) | -0.3012 | 2.0031 |

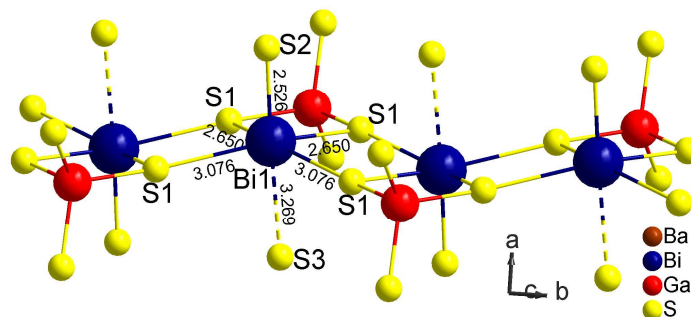


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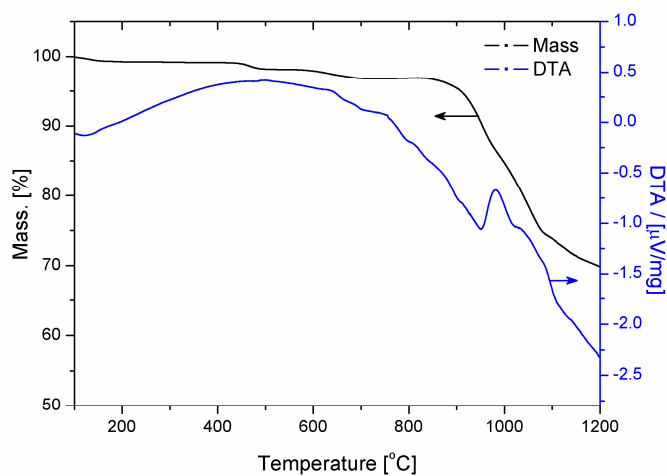


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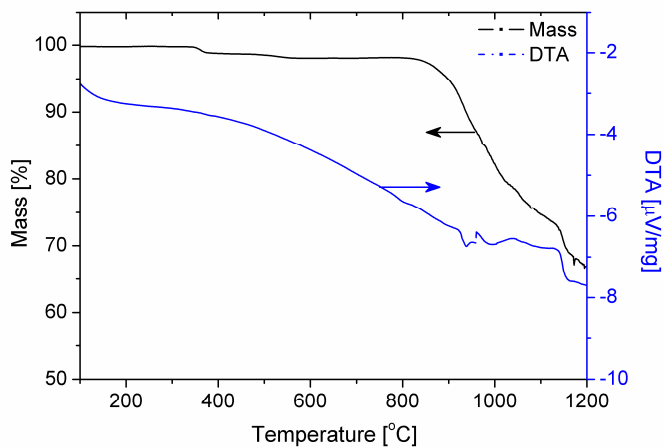
**Figure S1.** Experimented (upper) and simulated (lower) powder X-ray ( $\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$ ) diffraction patterns for (a)  $\text{Ba}_2\text{BiGaS}_5$  and (b)  $\text{Ba}_2\text{BiInS}_5$ .



**Figure S2.** The farther S3 atoms are considered as complement of a distorted  $\text{BiS}_6$  octahedral coordination. The  $\text{Bi}^{3+}$  cations move considerably away from the center of the  $\text{BiS}_6$  octahedra.

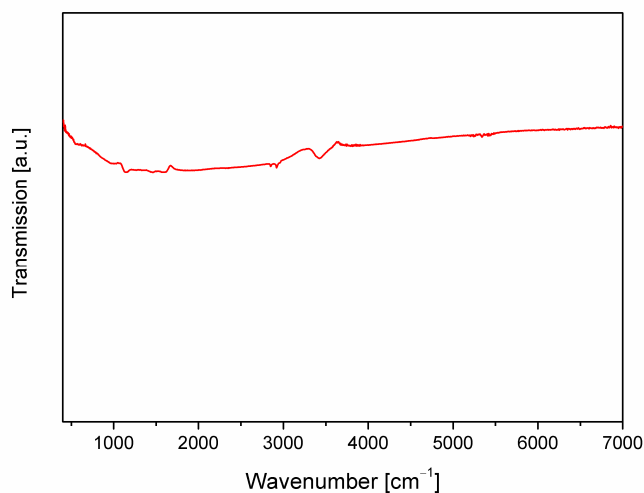


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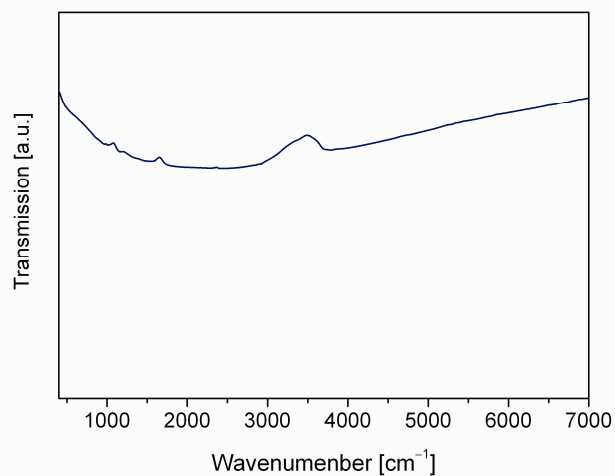


(b)

**Figure S3.** TGA and DTA diagrams of (a)  $\text{Ba}_2\text{BiGaS}_5$  and (b)  $\text{Ba}_2\text{BiInS}_5$ , indicating the thermal stability up to 800 °C under  $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere for both compounds.



(a)



(b)

**Figure S4.** IR spectra of polycrystalline samples of (a)  $\text{Ba}_2\text{BiGaS}_5$  and (b)  $\text{Ba}_2\text{BiInS}_5$ . (The peaks at ~1100, 1600 and 3500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are the remains that are not fully subtracted from the background.)