

Supplementary Materials

# Polymorphism and Structural Distortions of Ternary Mixed-Metal Oxide Photocatalysts Constructed with $\alpha\text{-U}_3\text{O}_8$ Types of Layers

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**Table S1.** A table of selected members comprised of single pentagonal bipyramid layers alternating with octahedral layers. The space group, unit cell parameters, and interatomic distances are listed for symmetry unique  $\text{MO}_7$  pentagonal bipyramids ( $\text{M} = \text{Nb}, \text{Ta}$ ) are included.

Layer	Chemical Formula	Space Group	<i>a</i> (Å)	<i>b</i> (Å)	<i>c</i> (Å)	Interatomic distances (Å)	Ref.
n=1, single	$\text{Ag}_2\text{Nb}_4\text{O}_{11}$	$R\bar{3}c$	6.2301(1)	6.2301(1)	37.0163(7)	NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb-O 1.9730(11) x2 Nb-O 2.0032(10) x2 Nb-O 2.0216(21) x2 Nb-O 2.4207(21)	[43]
		R3C	6.2080(1)	6.2080(1)	37.0135(7)	NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb-O 1.945(7) Nb-O 1.981(6) Nb-O 2.001(8) Nb-O 2.010(7) Nb-O 2.013(9) Nb-O 2.043(6) Nb-O 2.391(2)	[43]
		R3	6.20524(9)	6.20524(9)	37.0175(6)	NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 1.878(15) Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 2.006(9) Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 2.024(15) Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 2.026(15) Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 2.039(10) Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 2.064(16) Nb <sub>1</sub> -O 2.304(9) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 1.904(16) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 1.982(9) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 1.984(16) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 1.998(15) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 2.036(10) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 2.083(14) Nb <sub>2</sub> -O 2.490(9)	[43]
	$\text{Ag}_2\text{Ta}_4\text{O}_{11}$	$R\bar{3}c$	6.2075(1)	6.2075(1)	36.8605(6)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.9736(10) x2 Ta-O 2.0026(9) x2 Ta-O 2.0133(5) x2 Ta-O 2.3983(18) x2	[43]

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n=1, single	Cu <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	<i>R</i> $\bar{3}$ <i>c</i>	6.2190(2)	6.2190(2)	37.107(1)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.9972(8) Ta-O 1.9973(8) Ta-O 1.994(2) Ta-O 1.994(3) Ta-O 2.021(2)x2 Ta-O 2.44(1)	[66]
		<i>Cc</i>	10.734 (1)	10.734 (1)	10.734 (1)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.92(2) x2 Ta-O 1.98(1) x2 Ta-O 2.04(1) x2 Ta-O 2.46(3)	[65]
	K <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	<i>R</i> $\bar{3}$ <i>c</i>	6.280(3)	6.280(3)	36.8769(10)		[41]
	Na <sub>2</sub> Nb <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	<i>R</i> $\bar{3}$ <i>c</i>	6.2279(1)	6.2279(1)	36.7264(7)	NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb-O 1.9638(10) x2 Nb-O 2.0073(10) x2 Nb-O 2.0216(6) x2 Nb-O 2.4136(21)	[42]
		<i>C2/c</i>	10.84	6.162	12.75	NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb-O 1.96(2) Nb-O 1.96(3) Nb-O 1.99(2) Nb-O 2.01(1) Nb-O 2.02(3) Nb-O 2.04(3) Nb-O 2.38(2)	[38]
	Na <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	<i>R</i> $\bar{3}$ <i>c</i>	6.198(3)	6.198(3)	36.56(2)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.953(14) x2 Ta-O 2.009(7) x2 Ta-O 2.010(6) x2 Ta-O 2.379(23)	[64]
	PbTa <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	<i>R</i> 3	6.23700 (2)	6.23700 (2)	36.8613 (1)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta1-O 1.944(8) Ta1-O 1.971(8) Ta1-O 2.013(7) Ta1-O 2.014(7) Ta1-O 2.032(11) Ta1-O 2.0389(11) Ta1-O 2.379(4) Ta2-O 2.3983(18) Ta2-O 1.9736(10) Ta2-O 2.0026(9) Ta2-O 2.0133(5) Ta2-O 2.3983(18) Ta2-O 1.9736(10) Ta2-O 2.0026(9)	[35]
	SrTa <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	P6 <sub>3</sub> 22	6.2543(1)	6.2543(1)	12.3320(3)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.955(1) x2 Ta-O 1.980(1) x2 Ta-O 2.0598(6) x2 Ta-O 2.478(2)	[39]

**Table S2.** The general trends for extended structure increase in the “A” site coordination number is directly correlated to decreasing c lattice constant parameters, (2) members where  $m = 1$  belong to centrosymmetric nonpolar space groups which contain an inversion center, and (3) members where  $m = 2$  belong to noncentrosymmetric polar space which do not contain an inversion center.

Chemical Formula	“A” site cation CN	c (Å)	Space group	Polar or Nonpolar	$m$
Cu <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	2	0.0	$R\bar{3}c$	Nonpolar	1
Ag <sub>2</sub> Nb <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	6	37.0163	$R\bar{3}c$	Nonpolar	1
Ag <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	6	36.86	$R\bar{3}c$	Nonpolar	1
Na <sub>2</sub> Ta <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	7	36.56	$R\bar{3}c$	Nonpolar	1
PbTa <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	7	36.8613	$R3$	Polar	2
Na <sub>2</sub> Nb <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	7	12.745	$C2/c$	Nonpolar	1
CaTa <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	8	12.47	$P6_322$	Polar	2
SrTa <sub>4</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	8	12.33	$P6_322$	Polar	2

**Table S3.** A table of selected members comprised of single and double pentagonal bipyramid layers alternating with octahedral layers. The space group, unit cell parameters, and interatomic distances listed for symmetry unique MO<sub>7</sub> pentagonal bipyramids (M = Nb, Ta) are included.

Layer	Chemical Formula	Space Group	a (Å)	b (Å)	c (Å)	Interatomic distances (Å)	Ref.
Alternating single and double	Cu <sub>5</sub> Ta <sub>11</sub> O <sub>30</sub>	<i>P</i> 6 <sub>2</sub> <i>c</i>	6.2297(2)	6.2297(2)	32.550(2)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta1-O 1.975(4) x2 Ta1-O 1.999(6) x2 Ta1-O 2.020 (2) x2 Ta1-O 2.422 (8) Ta2-O 1.898(1) Ta2-O 1.994(7) Ta2-O 2.005(6) Ta2-O 2.012(1) Ta2-O 2.013(7) Ta2-O 2.048(4) Ta2-O 2.413(5)	[44,47]
	Cu <sub>7</sub> Ta <sub>15</sub> O <sub>41</sub>	<i>P</i> 6 <sub>3</sub> / <i>m</i>	6.2262	6.2262	44.877	N/A	[40]
	Pr <sub>2</sub> Nb <sub>11</sub> O <sub>30</sub>	<i>P</i> 6 <sub>2</sub> <i>c</i>	6.2325(5)	6.2325(5)	32.3677(36)	NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb1-O 1.947 x2 Nb1-O 1.967 x2 Nb1-O 2.060 x2 Nb1-O 2.488 Nb2-O 1.894 Nb2-O 1.995 Nb2-O 2.002 Nb2-O 2.005 Nb2-O 2.067 Nb2-O 2.084 Nb2-O 2.424	[49]

**Table S4.** A table of selected members comprised of double pentagonal bipyramidal layers alternating with octahedral layers. The space group, unit cell parameters, and interatomic distances listed for symmetry unique  $\text{MO}_7$  pentagonal bipyramids ( $\text{M} = \text{Nb}, \text{Ta}$ ) are included.

Layer	Chemical Formula	Space Group	<i>a</i> (Å)	<i>b</i> (Å)	<i>c</i> (Å)	Interatomic distances (Å)	Ref.
n=2, double	$\text{BiTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P\bar{6}c2$	6.2197(2)	6.2197(2)	20.02981(9)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.9064(8) Ta-O 1.977(3) Ta-O 1.990(3) Ta-O 2.002(1) Ta-O 2.049(2) Ta-O 2.024(1) Ta-O 2.4415(9)	[35]
	$\text{Cu}_3\text{Ta}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P6_3/m$	6.2278(1)	6.2278(1)	20.1467(3)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.895(3) Ta-O 1.979(6) Ta-O 1.984(1) Ta-O 2.016(2) Ta-O 2.068(4) Ta-O 2.071(3) Ta-O 2.508(5)	[47]
	$\text{CeTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P\bar{6}c2$	6.226(3)	6.226(3)	19.976(8)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.886(6) Ta-O 1.97(4) Ta-O 1.981(6) x2 Ta-O 2.06(2) x2 Ta-O 2.48(3)	[50,56]
	$\text{EuTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P6_3/mcm$	6.217	6.217	19.9	N/A	[46]
	$\text{DyTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P\bar{6}c2$	6.199(3)	6.199(3)	19.859(6)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.87(2) Ta-O 1.891(3) Ta-O 2.04(2) Ta-O 2.011(3) Ta-O 2.07(1) Ta-O 2.09(2) Ta-O 2.45(1)	[51]
	$\text{LaTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P\bar{6}c2$	6.23(6)	6.23(6)	19.99(5)	TaO <sub>7</sub> : Ta-O 1.896(1) Ta-O 1.926(1) Ta-O 1.940(1) Ta-O 1.997(1) Ta-O 2.046(1) Ta-O 2.094(1) Ta-O 2.463(1)	[52]
	$\text{NdTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	$P6_3/mcm$	6.225(2)	6.225(2)	19.94(2)	N/A	[45,58]
	$\text{YTa}_7\text{O}_{19}$	Undetermined	6.2035(2)	6.2035(2)	19.865(1)	N/A	[45,58]

**Table S5.** A table of selected members comprised of single and triple pentagonal bipyramidal layers alternating with octahedral layers. The space group, unit cell parameters, and interatomic distances listed for symmetry unique MO<sub>7</sub> pentagonal bipyramids (M= Nb, Ta) are included.

Layer	Chemical Formula	Space Group	a (Å)	b (Å)	c (Å)	Interatomic distances (Å)	Ref.
n=2, single and triple	CeNb <sub>7</sub> O <sub>19</sub>	P3	6.2481(3)	6.2481(3)	20.0566(11)	N/A	[56]
						NbO <sub>7</sub> : Nb1-O 1.945 Nb1-O 1.954 Nb1-O 1.969 Nb1-O 1.974 Nb1-O 2.065 Nb1-O 2.068 Nb1-O 2.496 Nb2-O 1.837 Nb2-O 2.004 Nb2-O 2.007 Nb2-O 2.010 Nb2-O 2.075 Nb2-O 2.109 Nb2-O 2.436 Nb3-O 1.963 Nb3-O 1.968 Nb3-O 2.006 x2 Nb3-O 2.011 Nb3-O 2.022 Nb3-O 2.413 Nb4-O 1.842 Nb4-O 2.003 Nb4-O 2.006 Nb4-O 2.012 Nb4-O 2.071 Nb4-O 2.100 Nb4-O 2.440	[57]
	NdNb <sub>7</sub> O <sub>19</sub>	P3	6.2365(2)	6.2365(2)	20.0183(10)	N/A	[45,58]
	PrNb <sub>7</sub> O <sub>19</sub>	P3	6.2455(3)	6.2455(3)	20.5017(11)	N/A	[45,58]