

## SrSeO<sub>3</sub> from a combined X-ray and neutron powder diffraction study

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Key indicators: powder neutron study;  $T = 295$  K; mean  $\sigma(\text{Se}-\text{O}) = 0.004$  Å;  $R$  factor = 0.064;  $wR$  factor = 0.082.

Strontium trioxoselenate(IV), SrSeO<sub>3</sub>, crystallizes in the KClO<sub>3</sub> structure type and is isotypic with BaSeO<sub>3</sub>,  $\beta$ -PbSeO<sub>3</sub> and the mineral scotlandite (PbSO<sub>3</sub>). The Sr<sup>2+</sup> cation is nine-coordinated by O atoms. The SrO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra are linked together by common edges to form a three-dimensional network, with channels running along the  $b$  axis where the Se<sup>4+</sup> cations reside. They are coordinated by three O atoms to form one-sided SeO<sub>3</sub> $E$  pyramids ( $E$  = electron lone pair), with Se—O bond lengths of 1.672 (6) and 1.688 (3) Å ( $\times 2$ ). The SeO<sub>3</sub> $E$  pyramids are not connected to each other; instead, they share O atoms with the SrO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra. Except for one O atom, all other atoms (one Sr, one Se and the second O atom) are located on mirror planes.

### Related literature

For precipitation of SrSeO<sub>3</sub> from aqueous solutions, see: Continéanu (1994); Fatu *et al.* (2003). The structure of SrSeO<sub>3</sub> is unrelated to that of the polymorphic SrTeO<sub>3</sub> (Yamada & Iwasaki, 1972; Elerman, 1993; Dityatiev *et al.*, 2006; Zavodnik *et al.*, 2007*a,b*), but crystallizes in the KClO<sub>3</sub> structure type (Danielsen *et al.* 1981). It is isotypic with BaSeO<sub>3</sub> (Giester & Lengauer, 1998),  $\beta$ -PbSeO<sub>3</sub> (Koskenlinna & Valkonen, 1977) and PbSO<sub>3</sub> (Pertlik & Zemmann, 1985). The results of the present powder diffraction study are nearly the same as those of the independent single-crystal study of SrSeO<sub>3</sub> (Wildner & Giester, 2007). For structures of the  $M\text{TeO}_3$  ( $M = \text{Ca}, \text{Ba}$ ) homologues, see: Kocak *et al.* (1979); Folger (1975).

### Experimental

#### Crystal data

SrSeO <sub>3</sub>	$c = 4.4550$ (3) Å
$M_r = 214.58$	$\beta = 107.419$ (4)°
Monoclinic, $P2_1/m$	$V = 152.90$ (2) Å <sup>3</sup>
$a = 6.5702$ (4) Å	$Z = 2$
$b = 5.4749$ (3) Å	Neutron radiation

$\lambda = 1.59432$  Å  
 $\mu = 0.02$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 295$  K  
 Specimen shape: cylinder  
 $30 \times 10 \times 10$  mm

Specimen prepared at ambient pressure  
 Specimen prepared at 473 K  
 Particle morphology: irregular, white

#### Data collection

D2b diffractometer at ILL, Grenoble  
 Specimen mounting: vanadium can  
 Specimen mounted in transmission mode

Scan method: step  
 Absorption correction: none  
 $2\theta_{\min} = 5, 2^\circ, 2\theta_{\max} = 160^\circ$   
 Increment in  $2\theta = 0.05^\circ$

#### Refinement

$R_p = 0.064$   
 $R_{wp} = 0.082$   
 $R_{exp} = 0.128$   
 $R_{F^2} = 0.093$   
 $S = 0.65$   
 Excluded region(s): none  
 Profile function: CW Profile  
 function number 2 with 18 terms.  
 Profile coefficients for Simpson's rule integration of pseudo-Voigt function (Howard, 1982; Thompson *et al.*, 1987). 1(GU) = 89.779, 2(GV) = -57.381, 3(GW) = 105.091, 4(LX) = 20.389, 5(LY) = 0.000, 6(trns) = 0.000, 7(asym) = 12.8654, 8(shift) = 0.0000, 9(GP) = 0.000, 10(stec) = 0.00, 11(pte) =

0.00, 12(sfec) = 0.00, 13(L11) = 0.000, 14(L22) = 0.000, 15(L33) = 0.000, 16(L12) = 0.000, 17(L13) = 0.000, 18(L23) = 0.000. Peak tails are ignored where the intensity is below 0.0005 times the peak.  
 Aniso broadening axis 0.0 0.0 1.0  
 No. of reflections: 349  
 34 parameters  
 3 restraints  
 Preferred orientation correction: March–Dollase (Dollase, 1986), axis 1, ratio = 0.88823,  $h = 0.000$ ,  $k = 1.000$ ,  $l = 0.000$ . Preferred orientation correction range: Min = 0.83687, Max = 1.42785

**Table 1**

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Sr1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	2.631 (6)	Sr1—O2 <sup>ii</sup>	2.633 (4)
Sr1—O1 <sup>ii</sup>	3.022 (3)	Se1—O1 <sup>iv</sup>	1.672 (6)
Sr1—O2	2.670 (4)	Se1—O2	1.688 (3)
Sr1—O2 <sup>iii</sup>	2.694 (5)		
O1 <sup>iv</sup> —Se1—O2	101.88 (19)	O2—Se1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	99.61 (26)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x + 1, y, z$ ; (ii)  $-x + 1, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + 1$ ; (iii)  $-x + 1, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z$ ; (iv)  $x, y, z - 1$ ; (v)  $x, -y + \frac{3}{2}, z$ .

**Table 2**

Unit-cell parameters for isotypic  $MXO_3$  compounds ( $M = \text{Ba}$  or  $\text{Pb}$ ;  $X = \text{S}$  or  $\text{Se}$ ) and Se(S)—O bond lengths (Å, °).

Compound	$a$	$b$	$c$	$\beta$	Se(S)—O
BaSeO <sub>3</sub> <sup>a</sup>	4.677	5.645	6.851	107.16	1.690, 1.693 ( $\times 2$ )
$\beta$ -PbSeO <sub>3</sub> <sup>b</sup>	4.5737	5.5137	6.634	106.547	1.674, 1.729 ( $\times 2$ )
Scotlandite <sup>c</sup>	4.505	5.333	6.405	106.24	1.507, 1.529 ( $\times 2$ )

References: (a) Giester & Lengauer (1998); (b) Koskenlinna & Valkonen (1977); (c) Pertlik & Zemmann (1985).

Data collection: local program at ILL; cell refinement: GSAS (Larson & Von Dreele, 1987); data reduction: local program at ILL; method used to solve structure: coordinates taken from an isotypic compound (Giester & Lengauer, 1998); program(s) used to refine structure: GSAS; molecular graphics: DIAMOND (Brandenburg, 2001); software used to prepare material for publication: GSAS.

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### Comment

Multinary Te(IV) and Se(IV) oxides have been extensively studied in recent decades due to their potential non-linear optical and ferroelectric properties. The first tellurate(IV) where ferroelectric properties have been discovered is SrTeO<sub>3</sub> (Yamada & Iwasaki, 1972). It is polymorphic and has a relatively complex crystal structure (Elerman, 1993; Dityatiev *et al.* 2006; Zavodnik *et al.*, 2007), and no analogous structures have been reported so far. The alkaline earth homologues MTeO<sub>3</sub> ( $M = \text{Ca, Ba}$ ) adopt different structures (Kocak *et al.*, 1979; Folger, 1975), and the crystal structure of the selenium homologue SrSeO<sub>3</sub> has not been structurally characterized so far.

During the review process we were notified that more or less simultaneously with our study the crystal structure of SrSeO<sub>3</sub> was determined independently from single-crystal X-ray data. The results of the single-crystal study and a comparative discussion of isotopic and related compounds under consideration of a stereochemical equivalence of ESeO<sub>3</sub> groups and tetrahedral TO<sub>4</sub> groups will be published soon (Wildner & Giester, 2007). In comparison with the somewhat more precise single-crystal data, the results of the present powder diffraction study are essentially the same.

In the SrSeO<sub>3</sub> structure the Sr<sup>2+</sup> cation is coordinated by seven nearest O atoms up to 2.694 (5) Å and two more distant O atoms at 3.022 (2) Å (Table 1), which results in a distorted monocapped square antiprism as coordination polyhedron. The SrO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra are linked together by common edges to form a three-dimensional network with channels running along *b*, where the Se<sup>4+</sup> atoms are located (Fig. 1a). They are coordinated by three O atoms forming SeO<sub>3</sub>E pyramids (E = electron lone pair; Fig. 1 b) with basal oxygen planes parallel to each other (Fig. 2). Each pyramid is linked to six SrO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra, sharing O—O edges with three SrO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra and oxygen vertices with another three Sr polyhedra (Fig. 1 b). The Se—O bonds are directed to opposite sides of the Sr—O network channels and act as additional links (Fig. 1a). The remaining "empty" volume of the channels accommodates the stereochemically active lone pairs of the Se<sup>4+</sup> cations.

The structure of SrSeO<sub>3</sub> is unrelated to that of the heavier homologue SrTeO<sub>3</sub>, but crystallizes in the KClO<sub>3</sub> structure type (Danielsen *et al.*, 1981) and is isotypic with BaSeO<sub>3</sub> (Giester & Lengauer, 1998), β-PbSeO<sub>3</sub> (Koskenlinna & Valkonen, 1977) and the mineral scotlandite (PbSO<sub>3</sub>) (Pertlik & Zemann, 1985). All the MXO<sub>3</sub> ( $M = \text{Pb, Ba}$ ;  $X = \text{Se, S}$ ) compounds (Table 2) are built up of MO<sub>9</sub> polyhedra forming the network, with channels occupied by the lone-pair cations  $X^{4+}$ . The M—O bond lengths are shown in Fig. 3, which reflects the distortions of the corresponding polyhedra. For the selenates(IV), the M—O coordination may be considered as 7 (2.53–2.87 Å) + 2 (3.02–3.04 Å). If the degree of deformation ( $\Delta$ ) is estimated as the difference between the longest and the shortest M—O bonds, for  $M = \text{Ba}$  and Sr  $\Delta$  amounts to 0.392 and 0.326 Å, respectively, but for PbSeO<sub>3</sub>  $\Delta$  is much larger (0.511 Å). The discrepancy may be explained by the presence of Pb<sup>2+</sup> with its additional electron lone pair. On the other hand, for scotlandite  $\Delta$  is 0.304 Å which is even smaller than that estimated for related alkaline earth selenites.

## Experimental

Hot aqueous solutions of  $\text{Na}_2\text{SeO}_3$  and  $\text{Sr}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  (both chemically pure) were mixed in the stoichiometric ratio 1:1 which resulted in slow precipitation of a fine white powder. The product with the best crystallinity was obtained by mixing the hot solutions (acidified to  $\text{pH} \approx 1$ ) and by subsequent slow neutralization with an aqueous solution of ammonia. The product was then repeatedly washed with hot water and decanted, and finally dried at 423–473 K.

The IR spectrum, recorded as a hexachlorobenzene suspension placed between two NaCl disks on a "Specord" spectrophotometer, showed no absorption bands in the  $4000\text{--}2000\text{ cm}^{-1}$  region, thus ruling out incorporation of  $\text{OH}^-$  or water. Thermal analysis performed on a Perkin-Elmer TG7 derivatograph in air up to 1323 K showed absence of any phase transitions, oxidation or decomposition reactions.

Our results disagree with those given by Continéanu (1994) and Fatu *et al.* (2003) who obtained  $\text{SrSeO}_3 \cdot 4.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  under similar conditions. It is most likely that strontium selenate(IV) crystallizes from aqueous solutions as  $\text{SrSeO}_3 \cdot 4.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at room temperature, but as anhydrous  $\text{SrSeO}_3$  at about 373 K. Indeed, the sample precipitated at room temperature had a different X-ray pattern, however, with rather poor quality which prevented further X-ray studies.

## Refinement

The X-ray data for structure determination were collected on a Stoe Stadi/P transmission system, using monochromatic  $\text{Cu K}\alpha 1$  radiation, over the range of  $5\text{--}120^\circ/2\theta$  with a step size of  $0.02^\circ$ . Satisfactory  $R$  values ( $R = 18\%$ ) were found when the atomic parameters of the heavy atoms of the isotypic  $\text{BaSeO}_3$  (Giester & Lengauer, 1998) were used as a starting model. However, we were not able to localize all oxygen atoms. Therefore we have supplemented our investigation with a neutron powder diffraction study which helped to refine the O atoms. The powder neutron diffraction data were collected on the high-flux powder diffractometer D2b at ILL, Grenoble. The  $\text{SrSeO}_3$  sample was loaded into a vanadium can, and data were collected at 295 K for about 2 h. In the final refinement cycles, all atoms were refined with isotropic temperature factors. The March–Dollase model (Dollase, 1986) showed the  $[010]$  direction for preferred orientation with a ratio of 0.88. The final Rietveld refinement plot (neutron data) for  $\text{SrSeO}_3$  is displayed in Fig. 4.

## Figures

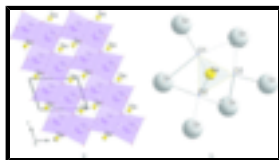


Fig. 1. The crystal structure of  $\text{SrSeO}_3$ : a) The network of  $\text{SrO}_9$  polyhedra with the Se atoms located in the channels; b) The  $\text{SeO}_3\text{E}$  pyramid linked to the  $\text{SrO}_9$  polyhedra.

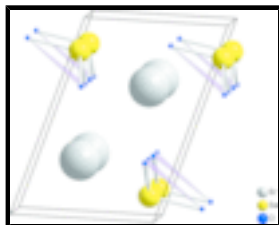


Fig. 2. Arrangement of the oxygen basal planes of the  $\text{SeO}_3$  groups in  $\text{SrSeO}_3$ .

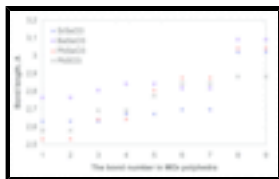


Fig. 3. The M—O distances in isotypic MXO<sub>3</sub> (*M* = Sr, Ba, Pb; *X* = Se, S) compounds.

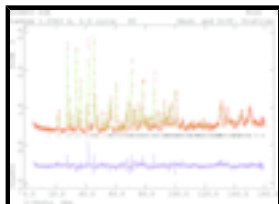


Fig. 4. Final Rietveld refinement plot for SrSeO<sub>3</sub> from neutron data.

### Strontium trioxoselenate(IV)

#### Crystal data

SrSeO<sub>3</sub>

*M<sub>r</sub>* = 214.58

Monoclinic, *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*m*

Hall symbol: -*P* 2yb

*a* = 6.5702 (4) Å

*b* = 5.4749 (3) Å

*c* = 4.4550 (3) Å

β = 107.419 (4)°

*V* = 152.90 (2) Å<sup>3</sup>

*Z* = 2

*D<sub>x</sub>* = 4.661 Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Neutron radiation

λ = 1.59432 Å

μ = 0.02 mm<sup>-1</sup>

*T* = 295 K

Specimen shape: cylinder

30 × 10 × 10 mm

Specimen prepared at ambient kPa

Specimen prepared at 473 K

Particle morphology: irregular, white

#### Data collection

D2b at ILL  
diffractometer

Specimen mounting: vanadium can

Specimen mounted in transmission mode

Scan method: step

*T* = 295 K

2θ<sub>min</sub> = ?, 2θ<sub>max</sub> = ?°

Increment in 2θ = ?°

#### Refinement

Least-squares matrix: full

Profile function: CW Profile function number 2 with 18 terms Profile coefficients for Simpson's rule integration of pseudo-voigt function (Howard, 1982; Thompson *et al.*, 1987). #1(GU) = 89.779 #2(GV) = -57.381 #3(GW) = 105.091 #4(LX) = 20.389 #5(LY) = 0.000 #6(trns) = 0.000 #7(asym) = 12.8654 #8(shift) = 0.0000 #9(GP) = 0.000 #10(stec) = 0.00 #11(pte) = 0.00 #12(sfec) = 0.00 #13(L11) = 0.000 #14(L22) = 0.000 #15(L33) = 0.000 #16(L12) = 0.000 #17(L13) = 0.000 #18(L23) = 0.000 Peak tails are ignored where the intensity is below 0.0005 times the peak Aniso. broadening axis 0.0 0.0 1.0

# supplementary materials

$R_p = 0.064$	34 parameters
$R_{wp} = 0.082$	3 restraints
$R_{exp} = 0.128$	??
$R_B = ?$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.03$
$S = 0.65$	Extinction correction: none
Wavelength of incident radiation: ? Å	Preferred orientation correction: March–Dollase (Dollase, 1986) AXIS 1 Ratio = 0.88823 h = 0.000 k = 1.000 l = 0.000 Preferred orientation correction range: Min = 0.83687, Max = 1.42785
Excluded region(s): none	

## Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{Å}^2$ )

	x	y	z	$U_{iso}^*/U_{eq}$
Sr1	0.7016 (5)	0.25	0.3473 (9)	0.0070 (8)*
Se1	0.1566 (5)	0.25	0.0639 (8)	0.0104 (7)*
O1	0.1081 (8)	0.25	0.6735 (11)	0.0220 (12)*
O2	0.3287 (4)	0.4855 (4)	0.1743 (8)	0.0078 (6)*

## Geometric parameters ( $\text{Å}$ , °)

Sr1—O1 <sup>i</sup>	2.631 (6)	Sr1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	2.694 (5)
Sr1—O1 <sup>ii</sup>	3.022 (3)	Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	2.633 (4)
Sr1—O1 <sup>iii</sup>	3.022 (3)	Sr1—O2 <sup>vii</sup>	2.670 (4)
Sr1—O2	2.670 (4)	Se1—O1 <sup>viii</sup>	1.672 (6)
Sr1—O2 <sup>iv</sup>	2.694 (5)	Se1—O2	1.688 (3)
Sr1—O2 <sup>ii</sup>	2.633 (4)	Se1—O2 <sup>vii</sup>	1.688 (3)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O1 <sup>iii</sup>	129.8 (2)	O2 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	66.72 (16)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2	141.34 (14)	O2 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	71.51 (13)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>iv</sup>	53.94 (11)	O2 <sup>v</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	113.49 (8)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ii</sup>	70.05 (11)	O2 <sup>v</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	100.73 (13)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	112.64 (14)	O2 <sup>vi</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	102.35 (12)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	130.92 (16)	Sr1—Se1—O1 <sup>viii</sup>	103.7 (2)
O1 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	84.61 (11)	Sr1—Se1—O2	49.98 (13)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> —Sr1—O2	84.61 (11)	Sr1—Se1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	49.98 (13)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>iv</sup>	112.64 (14)	O1 <sup>viii</sup> —Se1—O2	101.88 (19)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ii</sup>	130.92 (16)	O1 <sup>viii</sup> —Se1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	101.88 (19)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	53.94 (11)	O2—Se1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	99.61 (26)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	70.05 (11)	Sr1 <sup>x</sup> —O1—Sr1 <sup>ii</sup>	110.12 (11)
O1 <sup>iii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	141.34 (14)	Sr1 <sup>x</sup> —O1—Sr1 <sup>iii</sup>	110.12 (11)
O2—Sr1—O2 <sup>iv</sup>	100.73 (13)	Sr1 <sup>x</sup> —O1—Se1 <sup>xi</sup>	114.9 (3)
O2—Sr1—O2 <sup>ii</sup>	102.35 (12)	Sr1 <sup>ii</sup> —O1—Sr1 <sup>iii</sup>	129.8 (2)
O2—Sr1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	70.55 (11)	Sr1 <sup>ii</sup> —O1—Se1 <sup>xi</sup>	94.58 (14)
O2—Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	71.51 (13)	Sr1 <sup>iii</sup> —O1—Se1 <sup>xi</sup>	94.58 (14)

O2—Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	57.75 (12)	Sr1—O2—Sr1 <sup>xii</sup>	109.45 (11)
O2 <sup>iv</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ii</sup>	113.49 (8)	Sr1—O2—Sr1 <sup>iii</sup>	108.49 (13)
O2 <sup>iv</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	65.02 (13)	Sr1—O2—Se1	101.06 (15)
O2 <sup>iv</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>vi</sup>	171.8 (2)	Sr1 <sup>xii</sup> —O2—Sr1 <sup>iii</sup>	113.49 (8)
O2 <sup>iv</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>ix</sup>	70.55 (11)	Sr1 <sup>xii</sup> —O2—Se1	106.80 (19)
O2 <sup>ii</sup> —Sr1—O2 <sup>v</sup>	171.8 (2)	Sr1 <sup>iii</sup> —O2—Se1	116.72 (17)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x+1, y, z$ ; (ii)  $-x+1, y-1/2, -z+1$ ; (iii)  $-x+1, y+1/2, -z+1$ ; (iv)  $-x+1, y-1/2, -z$ ; (v)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z$ ; (vi)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$ ; (vii)  $x, -y+1/2, z$ ; (viii)  $x, y, z-1$ ; (ix)  $x, -y+3/2, z$ ; (x)  $x-1, y, z$ ; (xi)  $x, y, z+1$ ; (xii)  $-x+1, y+1/2, -z$ .

*The unit-cell parameters for isotypic MXO<sub>3</sub> compounds (M = Ba or Pb; X = S or Se) and the lengths of the Se(S)—O bonds (Å, °)*

Compound	a	b	c	$\beta$	Se(S)—O
BaSeO <sub>3</sub> <sup>a</sup>	4.677	5.645	6.851	107.16	1.690, 1.693 ( $\times 2$ )
$\beta$ -PbSeO <sub>3</sub> <sup>b</sup>	4.5737	5.5137	6.634	106.547	1.674, 1.729 ( $\times 2$ )
Scotlandite <sup>c</sup>	4.505	5.333	6.405	106.24	1.507, 1.529 ( $\times 2$ )

Notes: (a) Giester & Lengauer (1998); (b) Koskenlinna & Valkonen (1977); (c) Pertlik & Zemann (1985).



Fig. 1

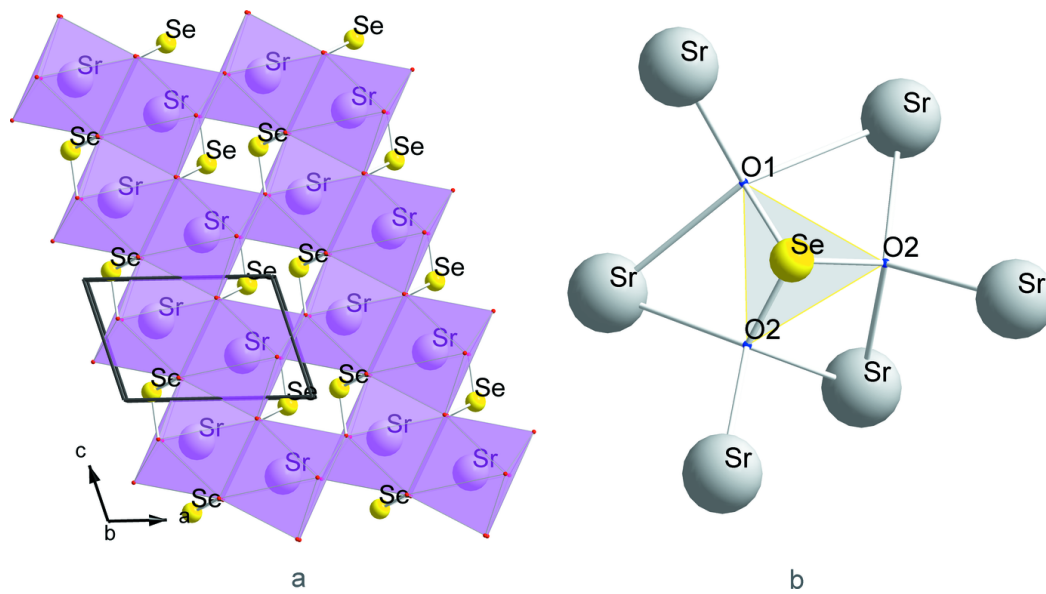


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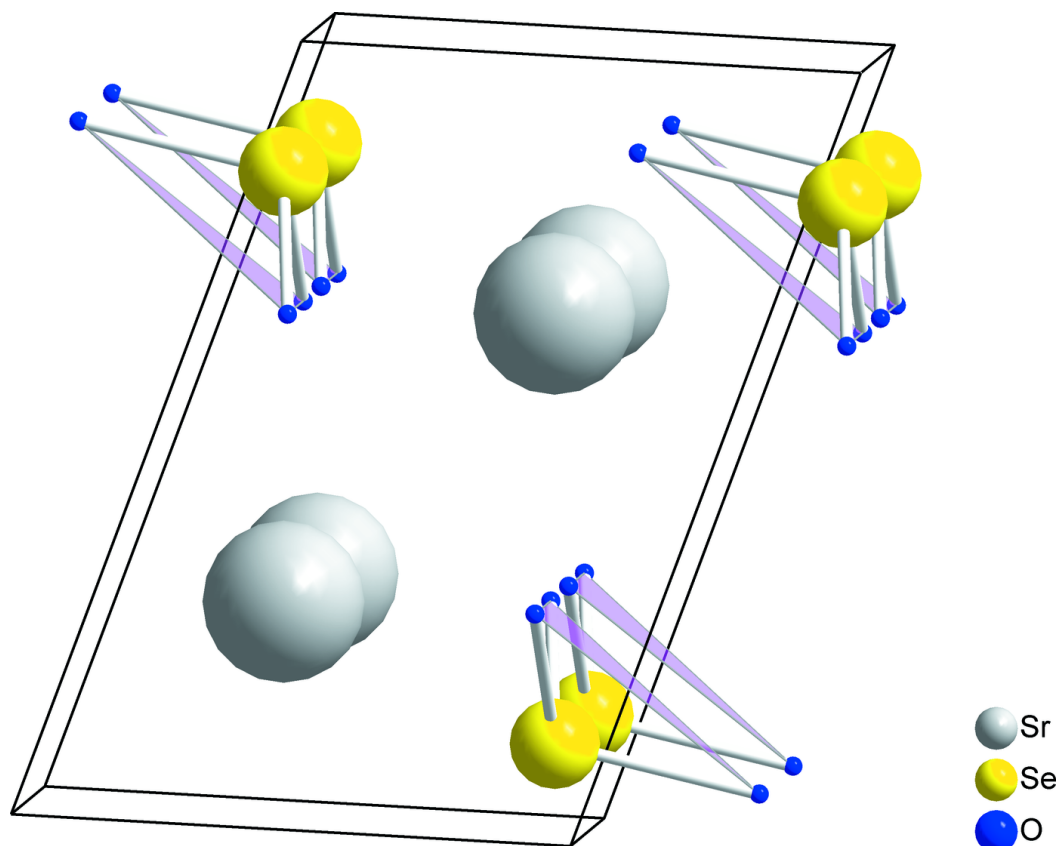


Fig. 3

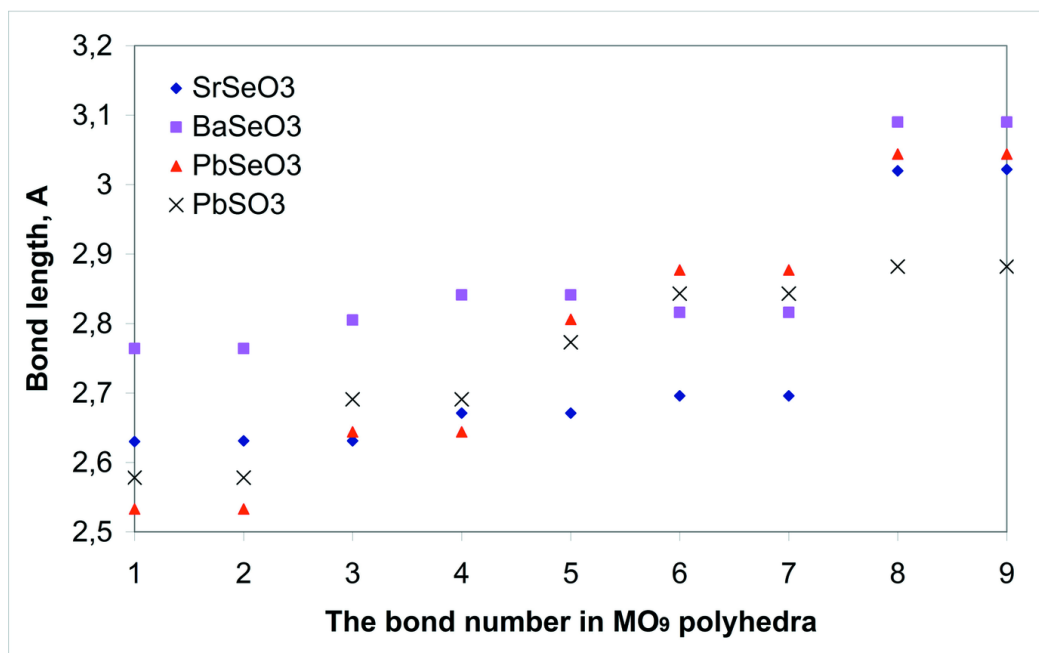


Fig. 4

