

# High-Pressure Synthesis and Structural Behavior of Sodium Orthonitrate $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$

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## Abstract

Sodium orthonitrate ( $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$ ) is an unusual phase containing isolated  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  groups. Previous syntheses were obtained by heating  $\text{NaNO}_3$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  for extended periods (>14 days) in evacuated chambers. Now we show that the phase can be prepared rapidly from mixtures of the precursors at high pressure consistent with the negative volume change between reactants and products. The high-pressure behavior of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  was studied using Raman spectroscopy and synchrotron X-ray diffraction in a diamond anvil cell above 60 GPa. We found no evidence for major structural transformations indicating the structural stability of  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  ions, even following laser heating experiments carried out at high pressure, although broadening of Raman peaks could indicate the onset of disordering at higher pressure.

## Keywords

Sodium orthonitrate; sodium oxide; sodium nitrate; high-pressure synthesis; diamond anvil cell; pressure-induced amorphization.

## 1. Introduction

Structures based on tetrahedrally-bonded oxoanions form a range of important minerals and materials including sulfates, phosphates and especially the orthosilicates, containing isolated  $\text{SiO}_4^{4-}$  groups that are major components of the Earth's upper mantle. Such silicate anions are well known to polymerize to form chains, sheets, and three-dimensional network structures. The high-pressure behavior of these tetrahedrally coordinated species has been studied extensively because of density-driven transitions to higher coordinated structures that are important for mantle mineralogy. For example,  $(\text{Mg}, \text{Fe})_2\text{SiO}_4$  olivines transform to spinel structures containing silicon in octahedral coordination and this marks

the passage between the upper and lower mantle within the Earth. Octahedrally coordinated silicon also occurs in other high-pressure mantle minerals including silicate perovskite, ilmenite, and garnet structures and SiO<sub>2</sub> polymorph stishovite [1]. Unusual five-fold coordinated silicate species have been identified in glasses prepared at high pressure and these play an important role in the densification and viscous flow of the molten materials [2]. Compression of (Mg,Fe)<sub>2</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub> crystals and glasses at low temperature was suggested to result in formation of such highly-coordinated species and linkages between the orthosilicate anions at pressures near 50 GPa [3].

It is notable that tetrahedral oxoanion species are generally formed with atoms of the second and higher rows of the periodic table (Si, P, S, Cl, Ge, As etc). By contrast, the first row elements tend to form trigonal species (BO<sub>3</sub><sup>3-</sup>, CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>). However, a tetrahedral oxoanion chemistry does occur for boron, either co-polymerized with other species or as isolated B(OH)<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anions (e.g., in LiB(OH)<sub>4</sub>). A long-standing question has been whether structures based on tetrahedral NO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup> or CO<sub>4</sub><sup>4-</sup> units can be prepared, and what the extent of their thermodynamic or kinetic stability might be. The occurrence of tetrahedral orthocarbonate species would have implications for carbon storage within mineral or melt species deep within the Earth [4], as well as for developing the solid state chemistry of these "light element" species [5-10].

Ionic orthocarbonate species containing CO<sub>4</sub><sup>4-</sup> groups have not yet been synthesized but *ab initio* calculations and molar volume considerations indicate that they might form at high pressure [8-10]. Tetrahedrally bonded structures containing polymerized CO<sub>4</sub> groups analogous to the SiO<sub>2</sub> polymorphs have been obtained by high-P,T treatment of CO<sub>2</sub> [11]. *Ab initio* calculations have suggested that MCO<sub>3</sub> (M= Sr, Ca) minerals can transform into polymeric chain structures containing linked CO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra at pressures extending into the megabar range, and this is borne out by experiments [12]. Recent high-pressure studies on CO<sub>2</sub> have indicated formation of glassy "carbonia" that might contain even higher-coordinated (5- or 6-coordinated) carbonate species [13].

The intrinsic stability of tetrahedral clusters with central atoms within the first row of the periodic table has been established by *ab initio* calculations [14]. A first example of a solid-state orthonitrate structure was synthesised by Jansen [5], who obtained Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> containing isolated NO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup> units by reaction of Na<sub>2</sub>O with NaNO<sub>3</sub>, as well as K<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> by a similar method (Fig. 1). The nature of the compound was first established by Raman spectroscopy in 1977 [6] and a structural analysis based on single crystals grown over a long time period (up to 240 days) was reported subsequently [7]. The ambient pressure

synthesis of the orthonitrate phase normally requires heating for prolonged periods ranging from weeks to days. However, taking advantage of the negative volume change between reactants and products it is possible to accelerate the synthesis reaction. We tested that prediction by synthesis experiments in a multi-anvil device. Furthermore, we investigated the high-pressure behavior of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  and stability of the  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  units above 60 GPa using synchrotron X-ray diffraction and Raman spectroscopy in the diamond anvil cell (DAC). We also carried out laser heating experiments under high pressure conditions to examine the stability of the orthonitrate structure.

## 2. Experimental

We first obtained  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  samples for high-pressure experiments by reaction between  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  at ambient pressure, following the synthesis method reported originally by Jansen [5]. Reactants ( $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  80%,  $\text{NaNO}_3$  99.9%) were obtained from *Aldrich* and used as delivered. The  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  material also contained  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}_2$  as an impurity phase, but this was not considered an impediment to the synthesis reaction. The starting materials were stored and handled in a dry box ( $\text{N}_2$  atmosphere;  $<10$  ppm  $\text{O}_2/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ). The  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  powders were ground together in an approximately 3:1 ratio and loaded into Ag capsules that were crimped shut, transferred to a glass tube and sealed under vacuum before heating at  $380\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  ( $10\text{ }^\circ\text{C h}^{-1}$ ) for 14-90 days.

The diamond anvil cell (DAC) experiments were carried out using 4-post screw-driven cells with diamond anvil culet diameters ranging between 150 and 300  $\mu\text{m}$ . Pre-indented Re gaskets were drilled with 80- $\mu\text{m}$  diameter holes. Ruby chips were added to determine the pressure inside the sample chamber [15]. Raman spectroscopy was carried using a home-built system based on Kaiser supernotch filters, Acton spectrograph and  $\text{LN}_2$  cooled back-thinned CCD detector [16]. An  $\text{Ar}^+$  laser (514.5 nm,  $\sim 1$  mW) was focused onto the sample using a 50x Mitutoyo objective and Raman data were collected using backscattering geometry. The *in situ* high-pressure Raman and synchrotron X-ray diffraction experiments were carried out using  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  samples loaded inside the glove box without any pressure-transmitting medium to avoid potential reactions with air/moisture. The resulting experiments were carried out under non-hydrostatic conditions that will slightly affect the compressional parameters but would promote phase transformations and structural changes at high pressure, that were the main focus of our study. The presence of some unreacted  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  within the sample mixture also provided an

opportunity to measure the compressional behavior of this anti-fluorite structured compound. For laser heating experiments, we used a CO<sub>2</sub> laser ( $\lambda=10.6 \mu\text{m}$ ; 75 W), focused inside the sample area and relying on the surrounding material that is a wide-gap insulating material with low thermal conductivity to avoid excessive heat transfer to the diamonds.

The samples at ambient pressure were characterized by powder X-ray diffraction in sealed capillaries using a Stoe StadiP diffractometer and Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda= 1.5402 \text{ \AA}$ ) and by Raman spectroscopy. For *in situ* X-ray diffraction experiments, angle-dispersive X-ray diffraction data were first obtained at station 9.5 HPHT, Daresbury SRS using  $\lambda= 0.444 \text{ \AA}$ . This facility is no longer in existence but has had a long career of pioneering *in situ* synchrotron experiments, including high-P,T studies and for new materials synthesis [17]. The X-ray beam was collimated and focused to 30  $\mu\text{m}$  inside the cell using newly developed Laue optics at the station [18]. Further data were obtained at ESRF BM01A (Swiss-Norwegian beam lines) using angle-dispersive techniques ( $\lambda = 0.700 \text{ \AA}$ ). The resulting two-dimensional X-ray patterns were integrated and converted to 1D intensity versus  $2\Theta$  or d-value plots using Fit2D [19]. The structures were refined by the Rietveld method using FULLPROF [20].

### 3. Results and Discussion

#### 3.1. Synthesis of Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> from Na<sub>2</sub>O + NaNO<sub>3</sub> at ambient vs high pressure

Initial traces of Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> formed after reaction between intimately mixed Na<sub>2</sub>O (+Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> present as an impurity in the starting sample) and NaNO<sub>3</sub> at 380°C at ambient pressure was detected after 7-14 days [5-7]. We achieved synthesis of nearly pure Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> samples at ambient pressure only after 90 days, comparable with the time scale required in the original study using highly purified starting materials to produce Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> single crystals (240 days) [5]. It is worth noting that these reaction times may be affected by the purity of the precursors and that commercial Na<sub>2</sub>O with 80% purity was used in our experiments, instead of the pure Na<sub>2</sub>O used in the original work reported in ref. [5]. Examination of the molar volumes of reactants and products involved in the synthesis reaction  $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{NaNO}_3 \rightarrow \text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  (i.e.,  $V_{\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4}= 57.20 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ,  $V_{\text{Na}_2\text{O}}= 27.31 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$  and  $V_{\text{NaNO}_3}= 36.95 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ) indicates a negative reaction volume of  $\Delta V = -7.06 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ , suggesting that

formation of the orthonitrate is favored at high pressure. This is confirmed by multi-anvil synthesis experiments, in which  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  formation was observed after only 2 days treatment at 4 GPa and 500°C. The high-pressure synthesis was carried out using a 1,000-ton Walker-type multianvil press [21]. The  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}/\text{NaNO}_3$  precursor mixture was prepared as described in the experimental section, sealed in a Pt capsule ( $\sim 5 \text{ mm}^3$ ) inside the glove box and loaded into an octahedral assembly formed by crushable ceramic (MgO-based mixtures) and a graphite furnace, with W/Re thermocouples used for temperature measurement and control. After pressurization at 4 GPa, the mixture was heated up to 500 °C ( $10 \text{ °C h}^{-1}$ ) and held for 50 h before quenching by turning off the furnace power. After both ambient and hgh-P,T reactions, phases present in our samples included some unreacted  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NaNO}_3$  with occasionally  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}_2$ , that were detectable by Raman spectroscopy.

The X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns obtained from both the ambient-pressure and high-pressure syntheses are compared with those of the reported  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  structure [5] and the precursor mixture in Fig. 2. We confirmed that the main phase obtained by the ambient-pressure method (Fig.2(c)) was  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  ( $\sim 98\%$  in weight),  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  being present as minor impurities ( $\sim 0.4\%$  and  $1.1\%$ , respectively). Refinement of the structure synthesized at ambient pressure indicated that the unit cell parameters  $a= 8.631(7) \text{ \AA}$ ,  $b= 9.729(8) \text{ \AA}$  and  $c= 9.04251 \text{ \AA}$  are close to literature values [5]. We noted that the diffraction peaks are slightly split in this pattern, indicating inhomogeneity of the sample. However, lower symmetry can be rejected on the basis of Miller indices of the split reflections.

The Raman spectrum of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  at room conditions is dominated by a strong peak at  $843 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_1$ ) due to symmetric  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  stretching vibrations. The antisymmetric N–O stretching vibrations that are split into individual components by the site group symmetry as well as by interactions between  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  species within the unit cell occur at  $\sim 1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_3$ ). Symmetric and antisymmetric O–N–O bending modes appear between  $650$  and  $670 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_4$ ) and at  $540 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_2$ ), respectively [5]. The Raman studies also demonstrated the presence of some unreacted  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  within the samples, via stringly Raman active features that are present even at very low concentrations. The band at  $240 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponds to the triply degenerate stretching mode of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ , whereas the band at  $1058 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  along with a shoulder at  $1067 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are due to the  $\text{NO}_3$  stretching vibrations of  $\text{NaNO}_3$  (**Error! Reference source not found.**).

### 3.2. Raman spectroscopy at high pressure

The high-pressure structural behavior of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  was investigated using Raman spectroscopy up to 61 GPa (**Error! Reference source not found.**). The micro-Raman technique (3-4  $\mu\text{m}$ ) allowed recording spectra of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  alone, avoiding interference of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  or  $\text{NaNO}_3$  vibrational bands. No major changes were recorded in the  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  spectrum obtained at high pressure, indicating that the orthonitrate structure is highly resistant to change upon compression within this range. The appearance of a new peak within the manifold of  $\nu_4$  bending modes above 21 GPa (Fig. 5) suggests a change in crystal packing or local symmetry of the  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  groups within this pressure range. Compression beyond 40 GPa results in the appearance of additional weak spectral features in the region between 300-450  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  suggesting additional crystal structure changes. However, these results only indicate minor structural rearrangements that may occur within the  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  lattice at high pressures, and all the spectral changes are fully reversible during decompression to ambient conditions at room temperature (Fig. 5).

### 3.3. Synchrotron X-ray diffraction at high pressure

X-ray diffraction patterns of the reaction components recorded upon compression are shown in Fig. 6. Some peak broadening occurred due to the non-hydrostatic conditions. The X-ray diffraction experiments sampled a much larger volume of the material within the DAC compared to the microbeam Raman results described above. The X-ray beam at SRS 9.5HPHT could be collimated/focused to  $\sim 30 \mu\text{m}$  and the diameter of the DAC gasket hole was  $\sim 80 \mu\text{m}$ , so features from  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  were always present along with the  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  reflections, and these had to be accounted for during the data analysis.

There were no significant changes observed in the X-ray diffraction patterns up to 10 GPa (Fig. 6). Above 10 GPa, all reflections associated with  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  broadened and vanished while a broad signal was observed at  $2\theta \sim 13.5^\circ$ . The  $\text{NaNO}_3$  features also seem to undergo dramatic peak broadening and intensity decrease. A minor rearrangement of the  $\text{NaNO}_3$  compound occurs at above 13 GPa, indicated by the changes observed in the  $11-13^\circ$  region of the X-ray diffraction patterns (Fig. 6). This is consistent with our Raman results (Fig. 5). Attempts to analyze the high-pressure  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  structure using Rietveld methods were unsuccessful. Beyond 25 GPa, the diffraction patterns are dominated by the

broad peak due to an amorphous components. However, diffraction peaks from the crystalline  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  phase are still present up to 64 GPa.

We could follow the variation of unit cell parameters and volume up to 25 GPa (Fig. 7). The bulk modulus of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  ( $K_0=43$  GPa, assuming  $K_0'=4$ ) was estimated using a Birch-Murnaghan fit. This is comparable to values predicted for orthocarbonate phases (e.g.,  $\text{Li}_4\text{CO}_4$ : 46 GPa, Ref [10]) and compounds such as sodium oxide nitrite (47.5 GPa) [22] or nitrosonium nitrate (45.2 GPa) [23].

The bulk modulus of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  has not yet been reported in the literature. The modulus of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  estimated from our data was  $K_0=83$  GPa assuming  $K_0'=4$ , comparable with that for  $\text{Li}_2\text{O}$  but significantly larger than predicted values for  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$  or  $\text{Rb}_2\text{O}$  [24] (Table 1).

#### *3.4. Laser heating of $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$ at high pressure*

A laser-heating experiment was carried out for the exploration of new possible high-pressure polymorphs of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$ . The sample does not absorb the  $\lambda\sim 1\mu\text{m}$  radiation but ruby chips added to the sample for pressure determination acted as internal heaters. This method did not allow a reliable estimation of the temperature in the sample. We performed the heating experiments using similar conditions that led to the synthesis of polymeric  $\text{CO}_2\text{-V}$  (40 GPa,  $\sim 2000\text{K}$ ) [11] in our laboratory (Fig. 8, inset). The Raman spectrum of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  before heating is shown in Fig. 8(A). After laser heating, the pressure dropped to 36 GPa. Raman spectra were collected from different areas in the sample. Raman spectra recorded from different areas in the sample did not seem to indicate any substantial change in the structure of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  (Fig. 8). However, a broad feature at  $350\text{-}480\text{ cm}^{-1}$  might indicate the formation of amorphous  $\text{Na}_x\text{NO}_y$  materials..

#### **4. Conclusion**

The high pressure synthesis of sodium orthonitrate ( $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$ ) from  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  resulted in a  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$ -containing polymorph of undetermined structure. The slow temperature ramp and pressure conditions attained in this method may point out the direction of a synthesis route for ionic orthocarbonates. On the other hand, no evidence for coordination changes or polymerization of  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  groups was found during the investigation of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  at high pressure and ambient temperature. Broadening or vanishing of Raman and X-ray diffraction peaks corresponding to  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  above 13 GPa suggest pressure-induced amorphization or metastable phase transitions of the precursor mixture.

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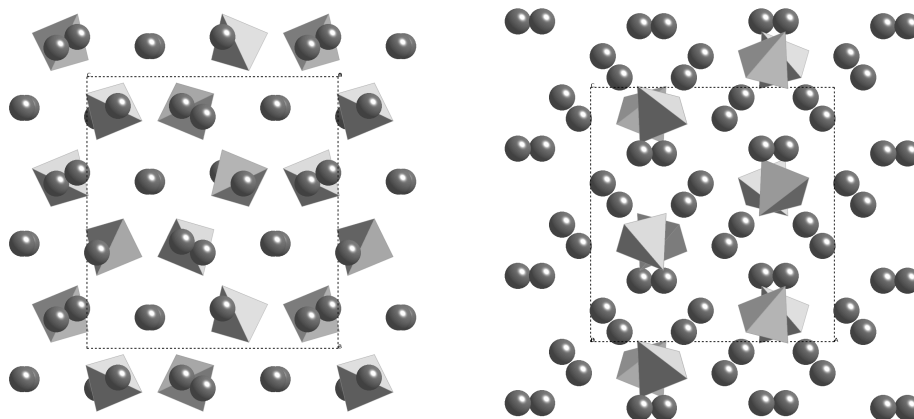


Fig. 1. Two views of the orthorhombic (*Pbca*)  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  structure reported in ref. [3] at ambient conditions. View along *a* (left) and *b* axes (right). The  $\text{NO}_4^{3-}$  groups are indicated by filled tetrahedra surrounded by  $\text{Na}^+$  ions (circles).

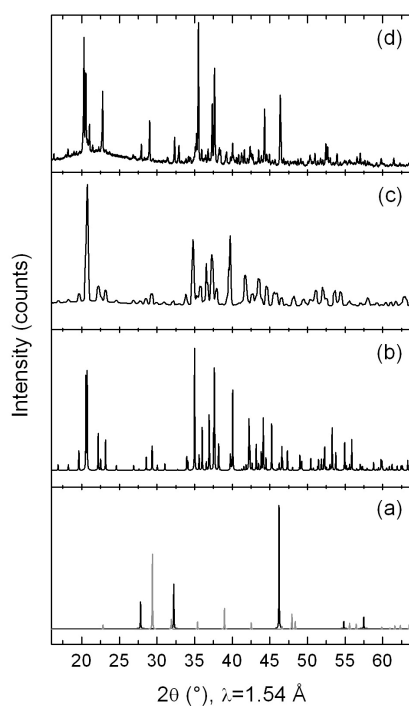


Fig. 2 – Powder X-ray diffraction patterns at ambient P,T conditions from (a) mixture of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  (black) and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  (grey) used as precursors (b) calculated  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  from ref. [3] (c) pure  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  found after synthesis at  $380^\circ\text{C}/90$  days at room pressure, (d)  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  after synthesis in the multianvil cell at  $4\text{ GPa}/500^\circ\text{C}/2$  days. The pattern shown in (c) was obtained using  $\lambda = 0.7\text{ \AA}$  at BM01A, the Swiss-Norwegian Beam Lines (ESRF) but with  $2\theta$  values re-calculated for  $\text{CuK}\alpha_1$  radiation for comparison with other patterns.

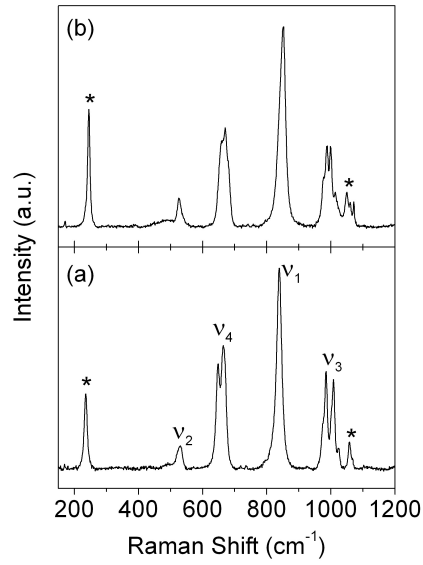


Fig. 3 - Raman spectra of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  at ambient conditions after synthesis at (a)  $380^\circ\text{C}/90$  days at room pressure and (b)  $4$  GPa/ $500^\circ\text{C}/2$  days. The corresponding vibrational modes are indicated [3]; the additional features are due to unreacted  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  (symbols).

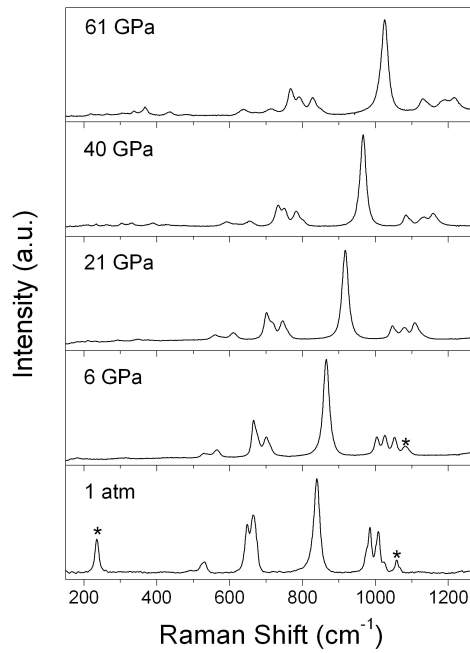


Fig. 4 - Raman spectra of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  during compression at room temperature. We typically avoided those regions contaminated with any precursor in this study, but illustrate in some spectra the presence of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{NaNO}_3$  in the sample (symbols).

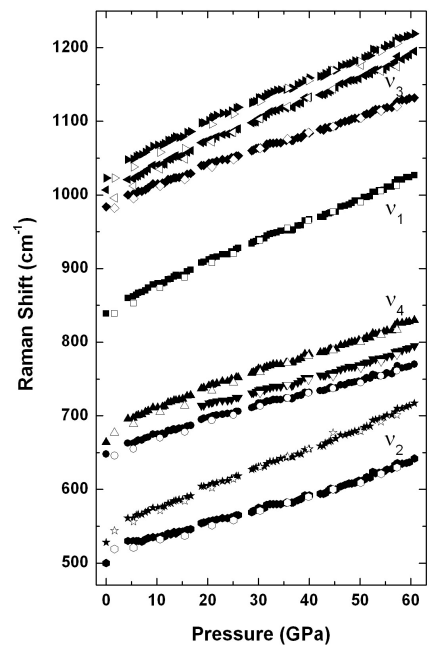


Fig. 5 - Raman shifts of Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> during compression (full circles) and decompression (empty circles) runs. All pressure-induced changes were found to be fully reversible.

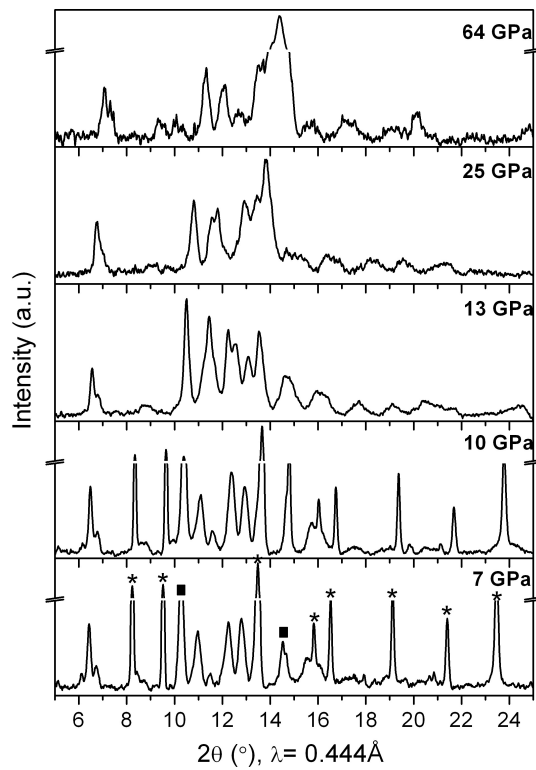


Fig. 6. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns from Na<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> upon pressurization under non-hydrostatic conditions. The symbols mark reflections corresponding to NaNO<sub>3</sub> (■) and Na<sub>2</sub>O (\*).

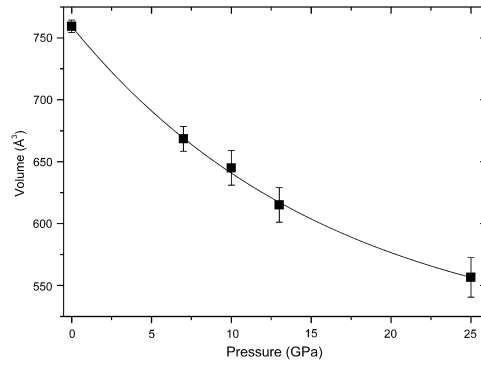


Fig. 7. Volume reduction upon compression up to 25 GPa. A bulk modulus of  $43 \pm 3 \text{ GPa}^{-1}$  was estimated from this curve using a third order Birch-Murnaghan fit to the data (assuming  $K_0' = 4$ ).

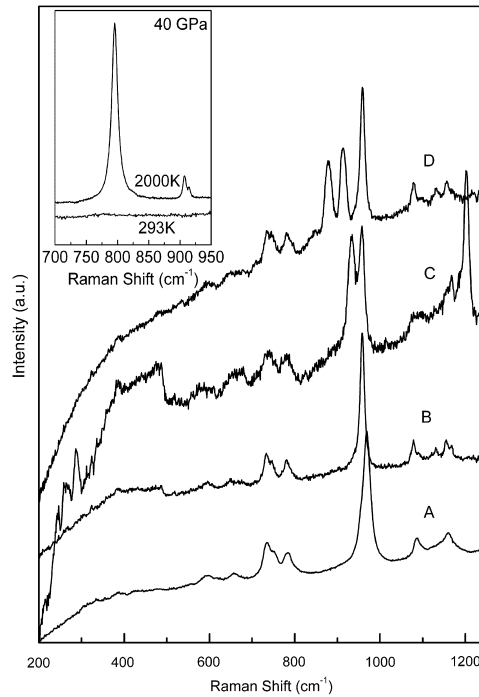


Fig. 7. Raman patterns of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  before (A) and after laser heating (B,C,D) at  $\sim 36 \text{ GPa}$ . The inset illustrates the transformation from  $\text{CO}_2\text{-III}$  (bottom) to  $\text{CO}_2\text{-V}$  (top) at  $40 \text{ GPa}$  and  $\sim 2000\text{K}$  observed in our laboratory. The laser heating experiment on  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  was carried out using similar conditions. In the polymerised  $\text{CO}_2\text{-V}$  structure the strong band at  $790 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponds to the characteristic intertetrahedral C-O-C stretching mode.

Table 1. Bulk moduli of  $\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4$  and related materials. The corresponding values for  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  are also compared to other cubic antiferroite-structured compounds.  $K_0'$  other than 4 are indicated.

**Table 1**

	<b>Bulk modulus (<math>K_0</math>), GPa</b>	
	<i>Experimental</i>	<i>Calculated</i>
<b><math>\text{Na}_3\text{NO}_4</math></b>	43 <sup>a</sup>	
<b><math>\text{Na}_3\text{ONO}_2</math></b>	47 <sup>b</sup>	
<b><math>\text{NO}^+\text{NO}_3^-</math></b>	45.2 <sup>c</sup>	
<b><math>\text{NaNO}_2</math></b>	21.9 <sup>d</sup>	
<b><math>\text{NaNO}_3</math></b>	25.8 <sup>d</sup>	
<b><math>\text{Li}_4\text{CO}_4\text{-IV}</math></b>	–	45.8 <sup>e</sup>
<b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{O}</math></b>	83 <sup>a</sup> 88 <sup>a</sup> ( $K_0'=3.51$ ) 74 <sup>a</sup> ( $K_0' = 5.2$ )	57.5-62.1 <sup>f</sup>
<b><math>\text{Li}_2\text{O}</math></b>	90 <sup>g</sup> ( $K_0'=3.51$ ) 75 <sup>g</sup> ( $K_0' = 5.2$ )	94.6-105 <sup>f</sup>
<b><math>\text{K}_2\text{O}</math></b>	–	33.4-40.7 <sup>f</sup>
<b><math>\text{Rb}_2\text{O}</math></b>	–	30-35.8 <sup>f</sup>

<sup>a</sup>This work.

<sup>b</sup>Ref.[17].

<sup>c</sup>Ref.[18].

<sup>d</sup>Ref.[19].

<sup>e</sup>Ref.[8].

<sup>f</sup>Ref. [21].

<sup>g</sup>Ref.[20].