

Supplementary Information

Equivariant Diffusion Solution for Inorganic Crystal Structure Determination from Powder X-ray Diffraction Data

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Supplementary Table 1. Statistics analysis of inorganic entries in the ICDD PDF-4+ database. The diffraction quality for all entries is categorized as “Star”, “Good”, or “Indexed”, with a status listed as “Primary”.

Source Prefix	Source	Entries (Total)	Entries (without atomic coordinates)	Percentage (without atomic coordinates)
00	ICDD	44812	20741	46.28%
01	ICSD	34037	13342	39.20%

Supplementary Table 2. The statistics of solved entries in ICSD.

Structures	Number
Ordered structures in the ICSD database	49283
Potentially incorrect structures with unit cell ≤ 20 atoms ($E_{\text{hull}} > 0.1$ eV/atom)	3122
XRDSol proposed structures that differ from the original ICSD structures	1429
XRDSol proposed structures that show good XRD match ($R_{\text{cos}} > 0.9$)	588
XRDSol proposed structures that show low energy ($E_{\text{hull}} < 0.1$ eV/atom)	39

Supplementary Table 3. Comparison of the E_{hull} between 39 pairs the original ICSD structures and solved structures by XRDSol.

No.	Name	ICSD ID	Original structures (E_{hull} (eV/atom))	Solved structures (E_{hull} (eV/atom))
1	CsIO ₃	33665	1.966	0.021
2	BaTiO ₃	161341	1.807	0.110
3	U(CoP) ₂	78578	0.811	0.049
4	AsH ₃	24499	0.727	0.012
5	NbSnRh	105220	0.704	0.000
6	ZrAlPt ₂	609167	0.678	0.034
7	TiNiSn	105368	0.664	0.059
8	TlSbSe ₂	20374	0.650	0.030
9	Pb ₂ Br ₅ N	26662	0.641	0.056
10	NbP	76027	0.600	0.000
11	ZrSnPd	105705	0.532	0.019
12	HfSnPt	104261	0.494	0.000
13	HfSbRh	53036	0.484	0.000
14	Pu ₅ Pb ₃	648410	0.468	0.094
15	TiNiSb	646450	0.457	0.074
16	SrBiAu	106271	0.333	0.079
17	SmCo ₃ NiB	613218	0.331	0.020
18	CaHg ₂	619359	0.280	0.103
19	HoSbPd	108547	0.276	0.000
20	TmSbPd	54328	0.272	0.000
21	Cr(GaS ₂) ₂	626045	0.266	0.089
22	MgCuSn	103054	0.262	0.020
23	FeBiO ₃	162834	0.257	0.056
24	DyAgGe	86731	0.238	0.055
25	ErAgGe	86733	0.234	0.050
26	Eu ₃ BrO ₄	56818	0.206	0.066

27	Fe(Mo ₃ S ₄) ₂	632656	0.206	0.086
28	NdSbPd	80274	0.197	0.008
29	Cs(SeO ₃) ₂	192325	0.179	0.001
30	Ca ₂ FeWO ₆	81204	0.171	0.002
31	TbAgGe	86730	0.169	0.000
32	HoAgGe	86732	0.165	0.000
33	SrPbF ₆	25629	0.162	0.000
34	TlFeI ₃	26423	0.147	0.046
35	Tl ₅ Te ₃	604388	0.143	0.038
36	BaEu ₂ PdO ₅	83232	0.135	0.046
37	K ₂ MoO ₂ F ₅	56840	0.130	0.037
38	GeI ₂	27674	0.120	0.020
39	CsSb ₂ F ₇	24741	0.114	0.042

GeI₂: The structure of GeI₂ was first reported in the literature in 1938¹⁸, and collected into the ICSD database (ICSD-27674) with a hexagonal lattice and spacegroup *P6m2*. The calculated E_{hull} of this structure is as high as 0.12 eV/atom. In contrast, the crystal structure proposed by XRDSol has a significantly lower E_{hull} of 0.02 eV/atom and a different spacegroup *P-3m1*. In the original structure from ICSD, iodine occupies 2h position with coordinates (1/3, 2/3, 0.224). In contrast, iodine locates at the 2d position with coordinates (1/3, 2/3, 0.242) in our solution.

Supplementary Table 4. Comparison of the E_{hull} between the origin incomplete structure in ICSD and solved structures by XRDSol.

No.	Name	ICSD ID	Original structures (E_{hull} (eV/atom) from MP)	Solved structures (E_{hull} (eV/atom))
1	Fe(OH) ₂	53992	0.28	0.005
2	SrHN	158968	0.43	0.04
3	Tm(OH) ₃	200489	0.46	0.06

Supplementary Table 5. Solved structures of natural minerals by XRDSol.

No.	Name	ICDD ID	Solved structures (E_{hull} (eV/atom))
1	Ni	00-061-0762	0.000
2	TiCl	00-058-0499	0.047
3	LaOF	00-057-0608	0.063
4	PdCu	00-057-0606	0.000
5	CaMg ₂ As ₂ (H ₂ O ₅) ₂	00-053-0882	0.020
6	Zn ₂ As ₂ H ₄ PbO ₁₀	00-051-1444	0.040
7	ZnFeAs ₂ H ₂ PbO ₁₀	00-051-1443	0.055
8	Cu ₂ H ₃ ClO ₃	00-050-1560	0.045
9	CeTiO ₃	00-049-1808	0.079
10	Bi ₄ TeS ₂	00-047-1747	0.026
11	Cu ₆ SnMoS ₈	00-046-1272	0.082
12	Pb ₂ S(O ₂ F) ₂	00-045-1455	0.097
13	MnO ₂	00-042-1316	0.009
14	CaMn(SiO ₃) ₂	00-038-0413	0.078
15	NaSrPO ₄	00-033-1212	0.012

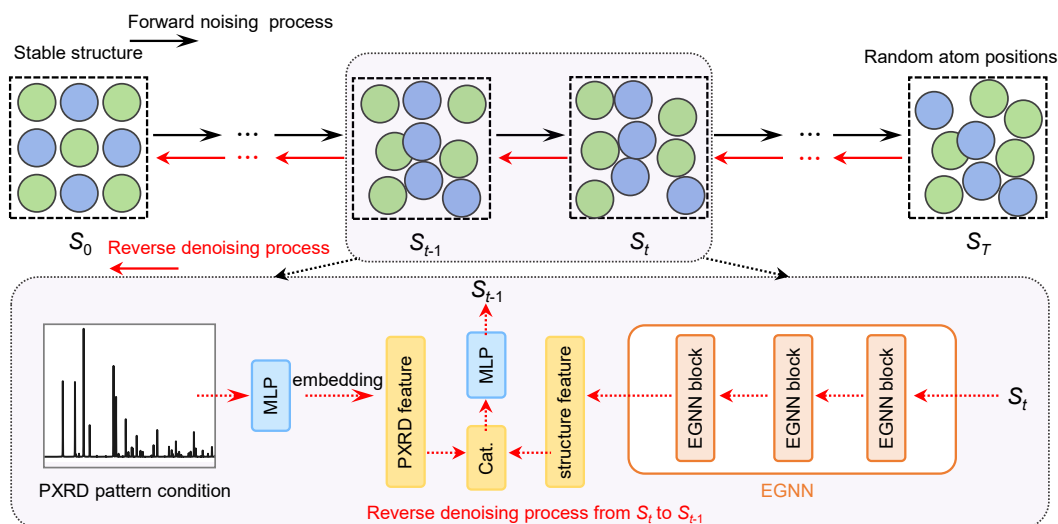


Figure S1. Schematics workflow of the noising and denoising process in the XRDSol. The training of XRDSol follows a conditional diffusion framework, which consists of a forward noising process and a reverse denoising process. The reverse denoising process aims to reconstruct the original structure S_0 from S_T with random atomic coordinates. This is achieved using an equivariant graph neural network (EGNN). The EGNN predicts the noise to construct the desired samples. The EGNN includes 3 EGNN blocks, each composed of equivariant convolutional layers. The noisy structure S_t is passed through the EGNN to extract structure features. And the structure features are concatenated with the PXRD features which are derived from the target PXRD pattern by using a neural network. Next, the concatenated features are fed into a neural network to predict the atomic coordinates of S_{t-1} . This process is repeated for 1000 steps and gradually restores the atomic coordinates from S_T to S_0 with the guidance of target PXRD patterns.

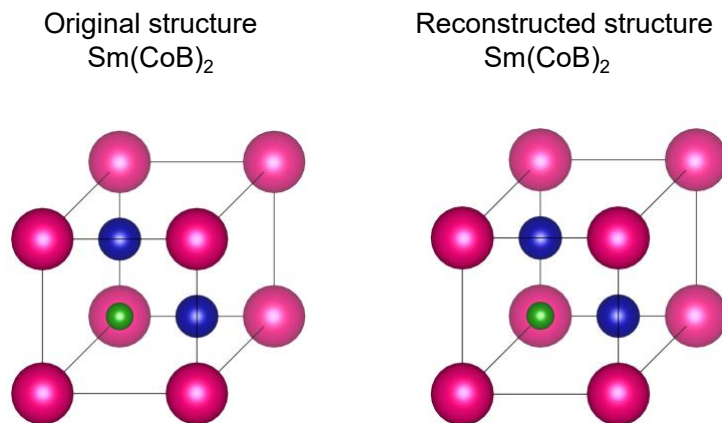


Figure S2. Visual verification of reconstructed crystal structure $\text{Sm}(\text{CoB})_2$ compared to its original counterpart. All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹. Sm atoms are pink, Co atoms are blue, and B atoms are green.

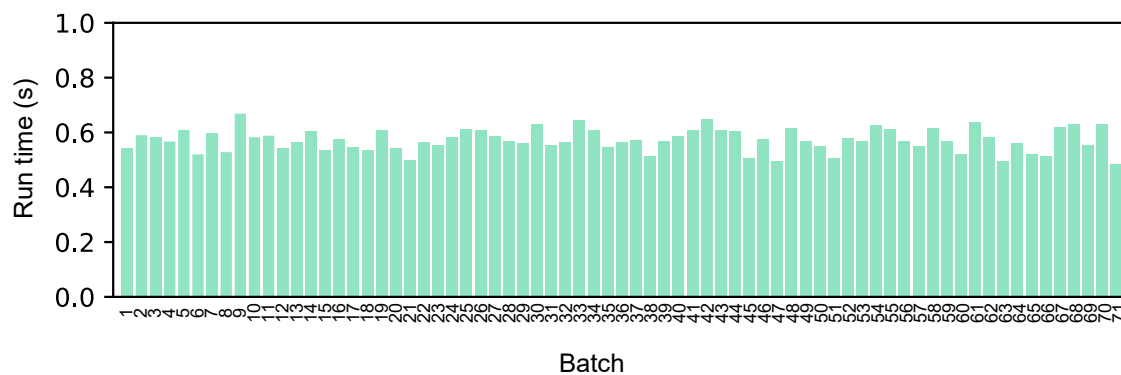


Figure S3. Distribution of run times in 71 batches (MP-20 test dataset (9046 samples), batch size = 128) for XRDSol. The average solution time is about 0.6 seconds per crystal structure with a batch size of 128.

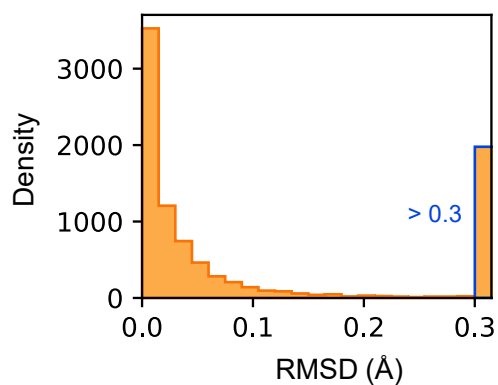


Figure S4. Distribution of root mean square deviation (RMSD) for 9046 structures solved by XRDSol in the MP-20 test dataset, reflecting the reconstruction quality of the crystal structures.

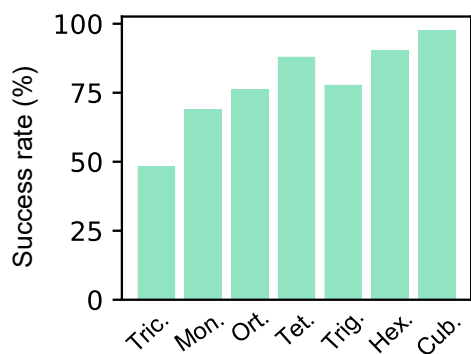


Figure S5. Success rate across the 7 crystal systems, including triclinic, monoclinic, orthorhombic, tetragonal, trigonal, hexagonal, and cubic.

To investigate the potential bias on certain symmetry or space groups, we evaluated XRDSol's performance on the MP-20 benchmark test dataset. This dataset contains 9046 diverse structures, including structures with low-symmetry and structures from various space groups. We first evaluated XRDSol's performance across different crystal systems, which exhibit different degrees of symmetry. For example, the cubic system has the highest symmetry with multiple high-order rotation axes and the triclinic system has the lowest symmetry. As shown in Fig. S5, the success rate varies across the seven crystal systems with different symmetries (cubic 97.72%, hexagonal 90.33%, trigonal 77.86%, tetragonal 88.02%, orthorhombic 76.32%, monoclinic 68.91%, and triclinic 48.48%). Among these, the cubic crystal system, which has the highest symmetry, shows the best performance. In contrast, the triclinic system exhibits the poorest accuracy. The model's performance decreases as the symmetry decreases. It indicates that structures with higher symmetry are easier to solve accurately, while lower-symmetry structures pose greater challenges. We further analyzed model accuracy across different space groups. In this work, we exclude those space groups with 10 or fewer samples in the MP-20 test dataset, as they would lack statistical significance. As shown in Fig. S6, the accuracy varies across different space groups. Generally, space groups with higher symmetry tend to exhibit higher estimation accuracy. Specifically, 26 space groups achieved an accuracy of 100%, and 41 space groups had accuracy greater than 90%. However, there are 6 space groups with accuracy lower than 50%, namely space groups 2, 19, 46, 51, 55, and 156. This suggests that symmetry plays a significant role in the model's ability to predict crystal structures accurately.

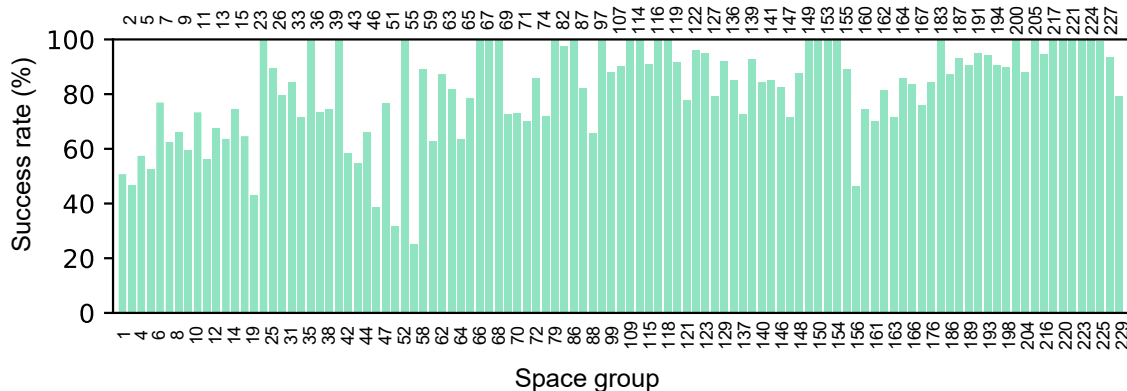


Figure S6. Success rate across the 107 space groups.

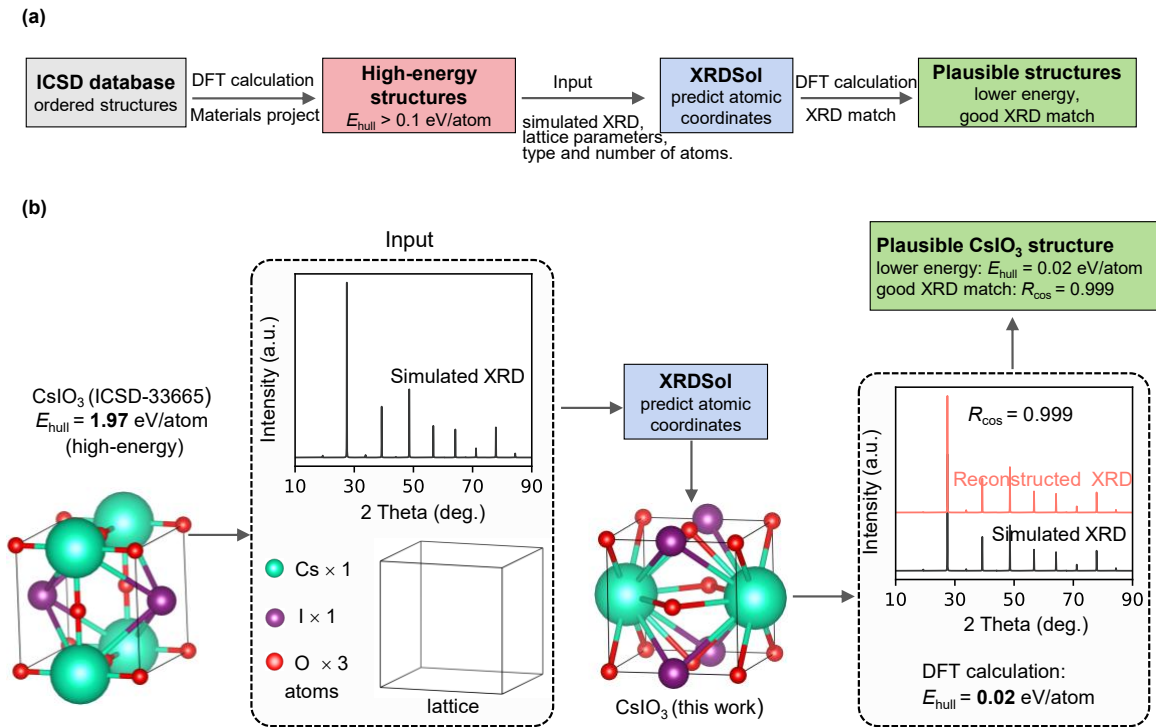


Figure S7. Illustration of revisiting the ICSD high-energy structures. (a) Workflow of XRDSol as a quality control step for entries in ICSD. (b) Illustration using CsIO_3 (ICSD-33665) from the ICSD database as an example. All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

We illustrate this process using CsIO_3 (ICSD-33665) reported in 1928 from ICSD database as an example (Figure. S7). In this early study, CsIO_3 was reported to be a covalent perovskite material with a cubic perovskite structure in the $Pm\bar{3}m$ space group, where Cs occupies the six-coordinate B-site. The calculated E_{hull} of this original structure (ICSD-33665) is extremely high at 1.97 eV/atom, which strongly suggesting an incorrect atomic arrangement. We simulated corresponding XRD pattern and extracted the lattice parameters, number and type of atoms based on the originally reported CsIO_3 structure. We used these as inputs to XRDSol. 5 atoms (1 Cs, 1 I, and 3 O atoms) with random atomic coordinates were initialized in a primitive cell ($a = b = c = 4.67 \text{ \AA}$, $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$). XRDSol then predicted atomic coordinates to reconstruct CsIO_3 crystal structure. In the CsIO_3 structure proposed by XRDSol, the larger Cs cations are moved to the twelve-coordinate A-sites. Subsequent DFT calculations confirmed the thermodynamic stability of this solution with a significantly lower E_{hull} of 0.02 eV/atom. Moreover, the structure solution is very close to the experimentally resolved single-crystal structure of CsIO_3 ². The study clarified that the earlier assignment of $Pm\bar{3}m$ space group in 1928 using powder X-ray diffraction was inaccurate. Thus, this case demonstrated XRDSol's capability to identify and correct some suspicious structure reports.

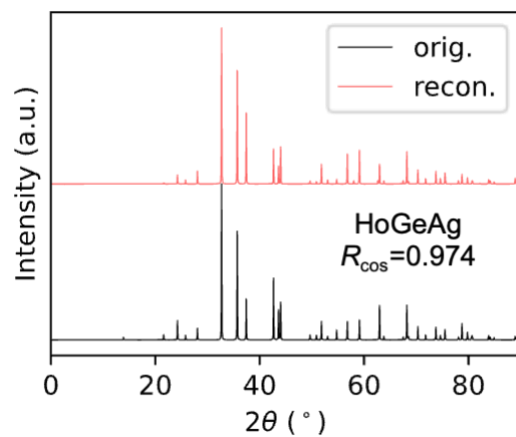


Figure S8. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of HoGeAg.

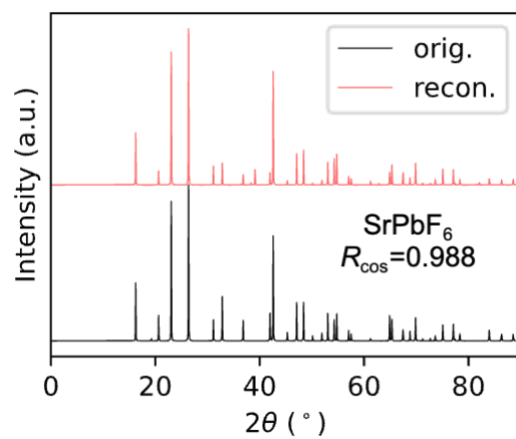


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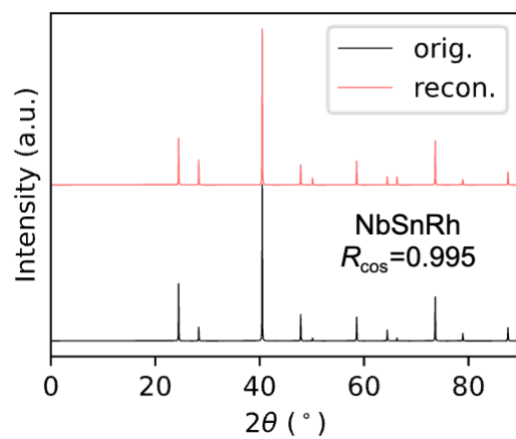


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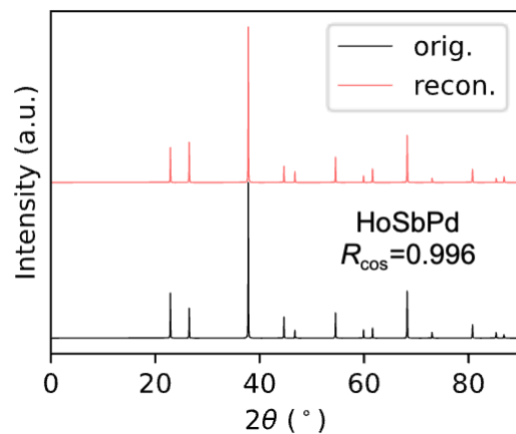


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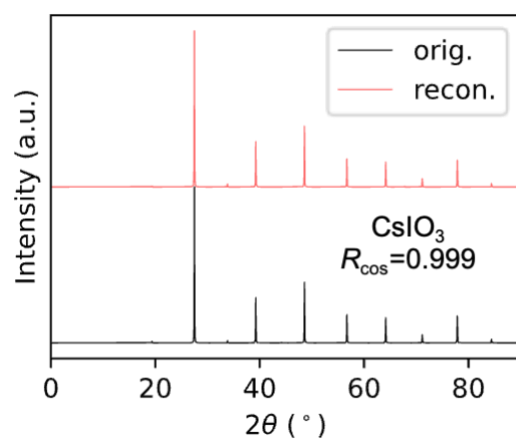


Figure S12. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of CsIO₃.

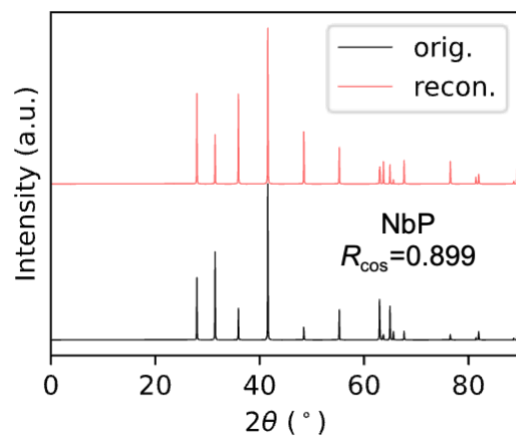


Figure S13. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of NbP.

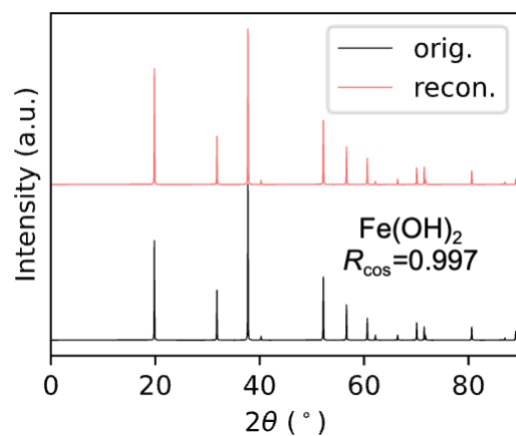


Figure S14. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$.

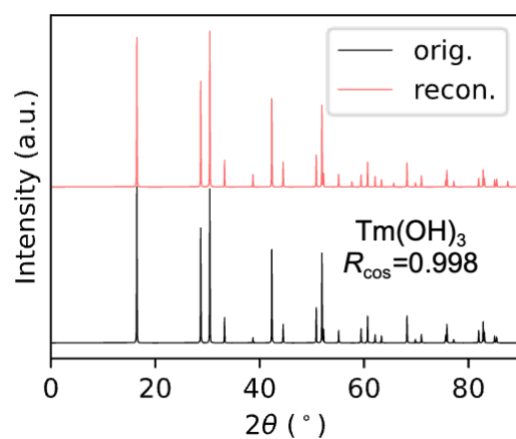


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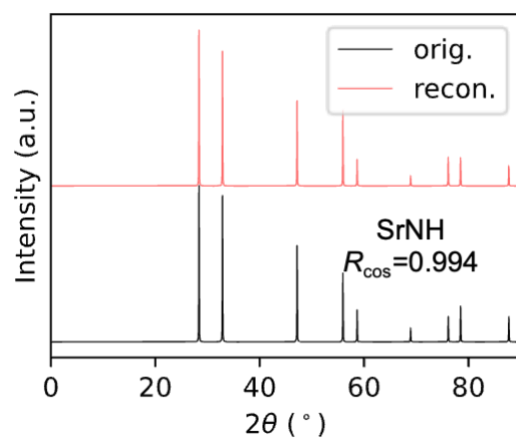


Figure S16. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of SrNH .

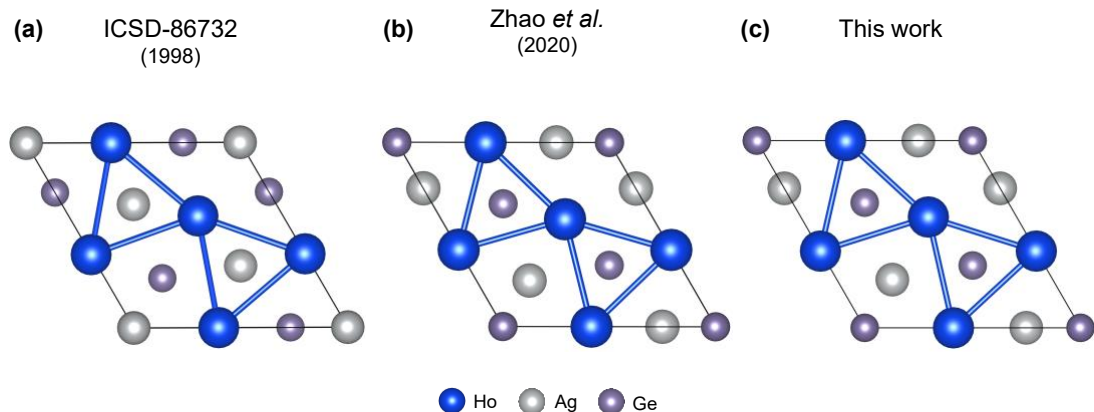


Figure S17. Structural comparison of HoGeAg. (a) ICSD-reported structure³ (ICSD-86732); (b) Recently reported experimental structure⁴; (c) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (b). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

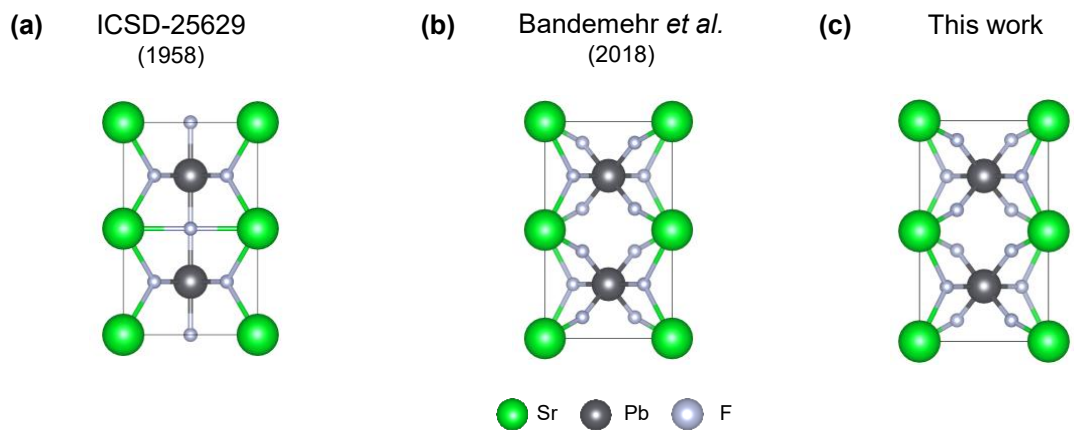


Figure S18. Structural comparison of SrPbF₆. (a) ICSD-reported structure (ICSD-25626)⁵; (b) Revisited structure by Bandemehr *et al.*⁶; (c) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (b). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

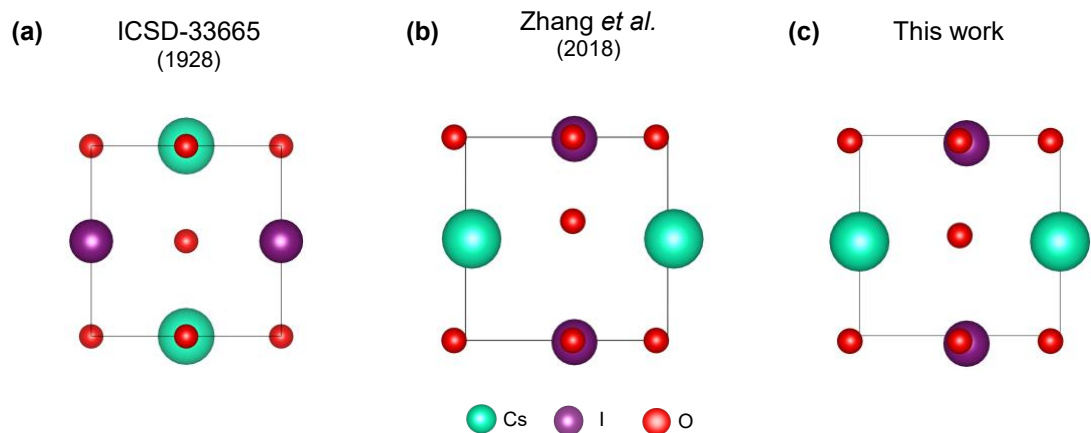


Figure S19. Structural comparison of CsIO_3 . (a) ICSD-reported structure (ICSD-33665)⁷; (b) Structure recently reported by Zhang *et al.* characterized based on a single crystal sample²; (c) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (b). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

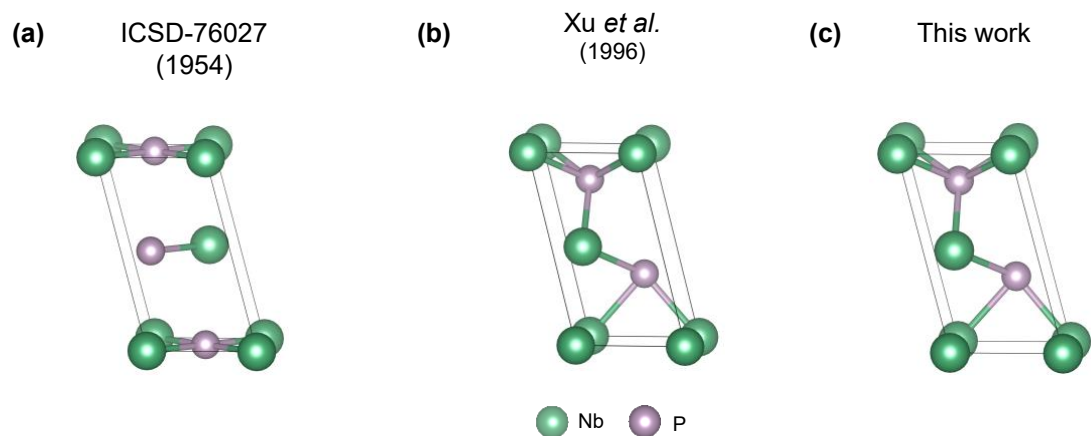


Figure S20. Structural comparison of NbP . (a) ICSD-reported structure (ICSD-33665); (b) Previously reported experimental structure from a single crystal sample⁸; (c) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (b). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

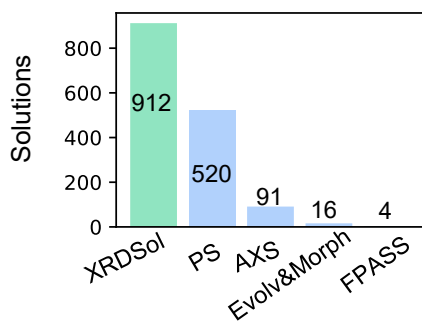


Figure S21. Comparison between solutions obtained from XRDSol and several baseline models, including Prototype search (PS)⁹, AXS¹⁰, Evolv&Morph¹¹, and FPASS¹².

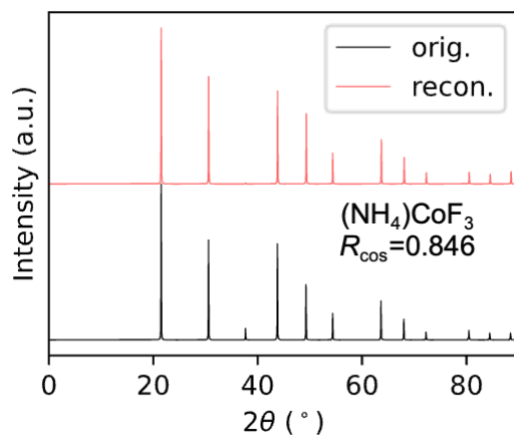


Figure S22. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of $(\text{NH}_4)\text{CoF}_3$.

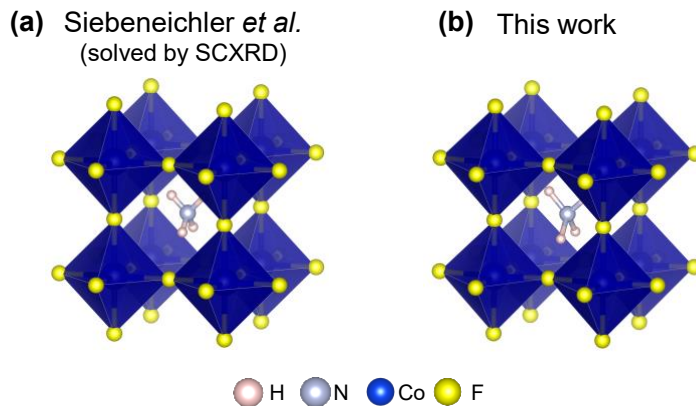


Figure S23. Structural comparison of $(\text{NH}_4)\text{CoF}_3$. (a) Previously reported experimental structure from a single crystal¹³; (b) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (a). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

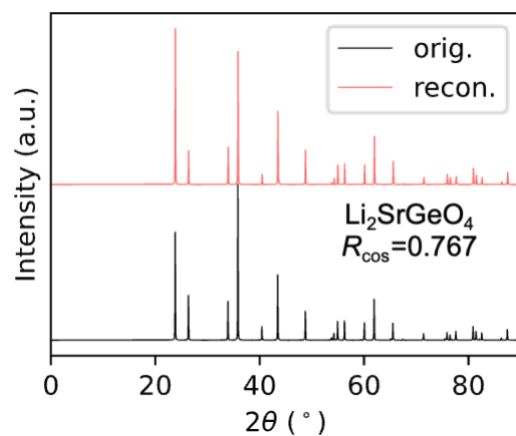


Figure S24. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of $\text{Li}_2\text{SrGeO}_4$.

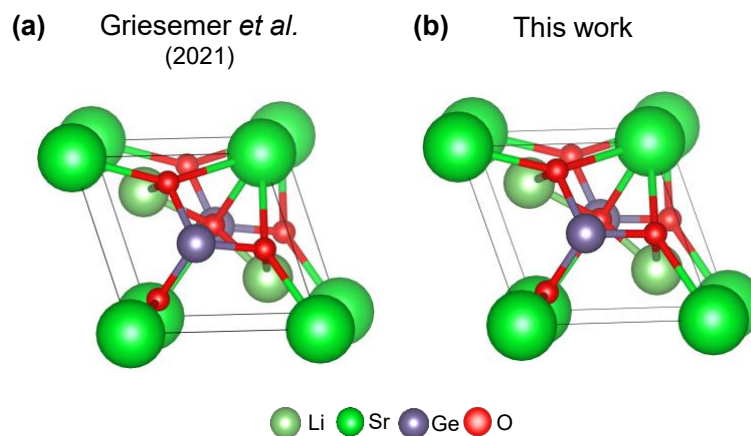


Figure S25. Structural comparison of $\text{Li}_2\text{SrGeO}_4$. (a) Previously reported structure⁹; (b) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (a). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

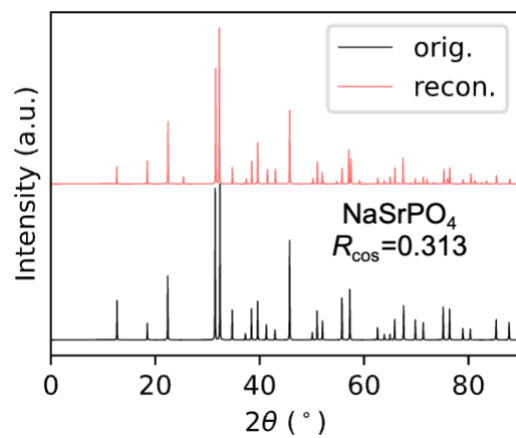


Figure S26. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of NaSrPO_4 .

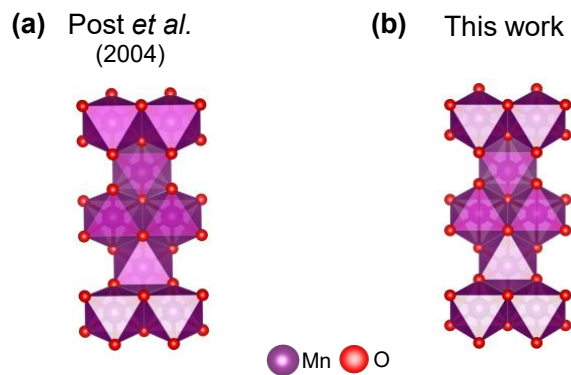


Figure S27. Structural comparison of MnO_2 . (a) Previously reported experimental structure¹⁴; (b) Structure proposed by this work, consistent with (a). All crystal structures were visualized using VESTA¹.

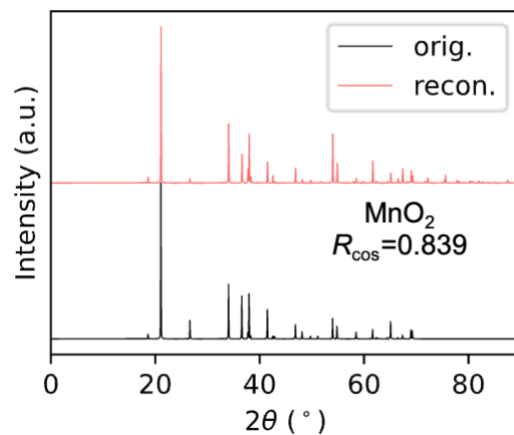


Figure S28. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of MnO_2 .

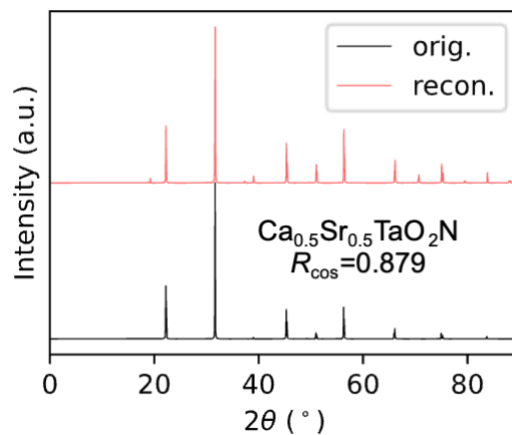


Figure S29. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of $\text{Ca}_{0.5}\text{Sr}_{0.5}\text{TaO}_2\text{N}$.

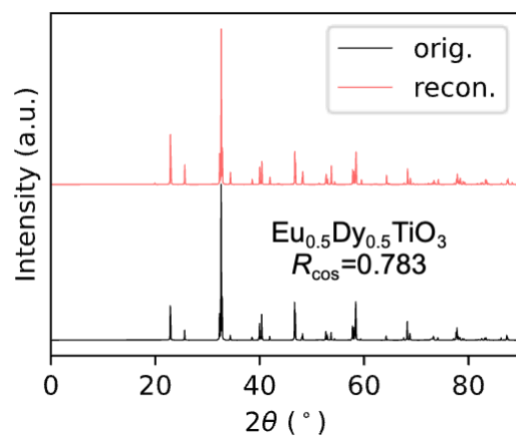


Figure S30. The original (black) and reconstructed (red) XRD patterns of $\text{Eu}_{0.5}\text{Dy}_{0.5}\text{TiO}_3$.

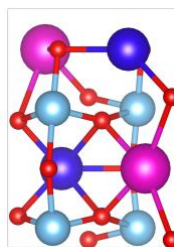


Figure S31. The solved $\text{Eu}_{0.5}\text{Dy}_{0.5}\text{TiO}_3$ structure. The crystal structure was visualized using VESTA¹.

Supplementary Table 6. Pseudo-code of XRDSol for crystal structure solutions using powder XRD data.

Input: PXRD pattern C , initial structure $S_0 = \{L, A, P_0\}$, diffusion steps T , schedule $\{\alpha_t, \sigma_t\}$
 $f_C \leftarrow \text{MLP}(C)$
Noising process:
for $t = 1$ to T do
 $\varepsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}_w(0, I)$
 $S_t \leftarrow \alpha_t \cdot S_{t-1} + \sigma_t \cdot \varepsilon_t$
end for
Denoising process:
 $S_T \leftarrow \{L, A, P_T\}$
for $t = T$ to 1 do
 $f_{\text{struct}} \leftarrow \text{EGNN}(S_t)$
 $f_{\text{cat}} \leftarrow \text{concat}(f_{\text{struct}}, f_C)$
 $\varepsilon_t^\wedge \leftarrow \varphi(f_{\text{cat}})$
 $S_{t-1} \leftarrow S_t - \sigma_t \cdot \varepsilon_t^\wedge$
end for
Output: $S_0 = \{L, A, P_0\}$

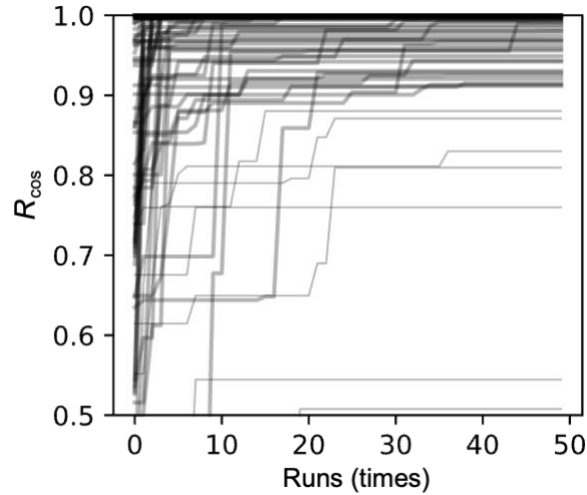


Figure S32. The R_{cos} of 128 samples (first batch) within 50 runs.

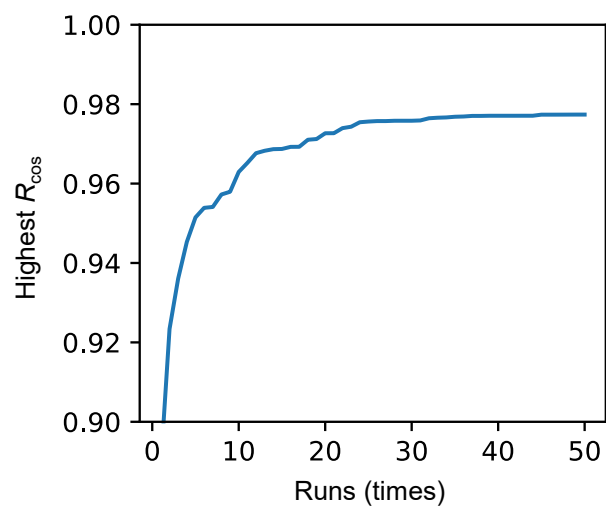


Figure S33. The highest R_{cos} within 50 runs.

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