

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### *A novel method for measuring the Tc L<sub>3</sub>-edge of technetium compounds*

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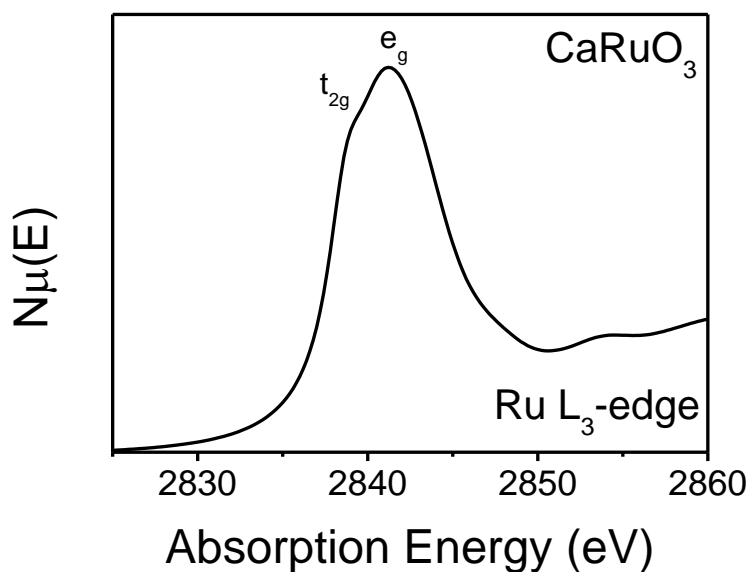
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## Experimental Section

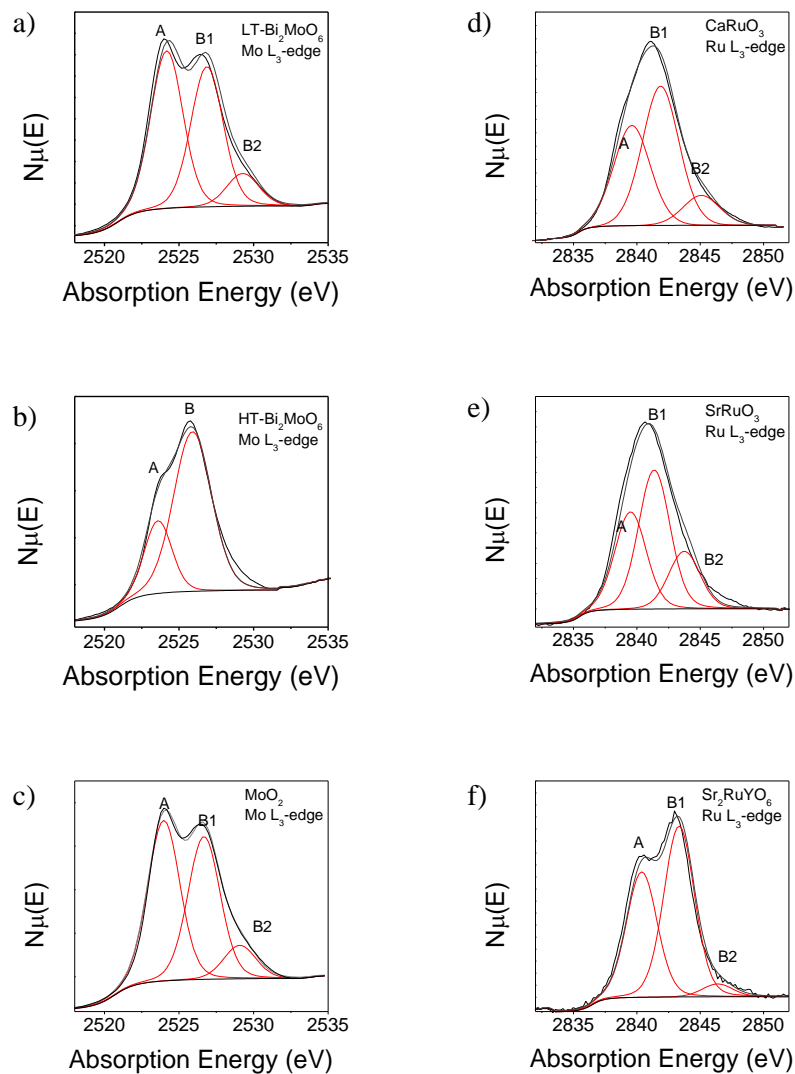
### *Ru L<sub>3</sub>-edge XANES*

Ru L<sub>3</sub>-edge XANES spectra were collected on beamline 16A1 at the National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center (NSRRC) in Hsinchu, Taiwan.<sup>1</sup> Finely ground samples were dispersed onto Kapton tape and placed in the X-ray beam at a 45° angle. Spectra were collected from ~50 eV below to ~200 eV in fluorescence yield mode using a Lytle detector. An energy step-size of 0.2 eV was used near the absorption edge. The Ru L<sub>3</sub>-edge spectra were calibrated against Ru reference foil with the maximum in the first derivative of the L<sub>3</sub>-edge set to 2838 eV.

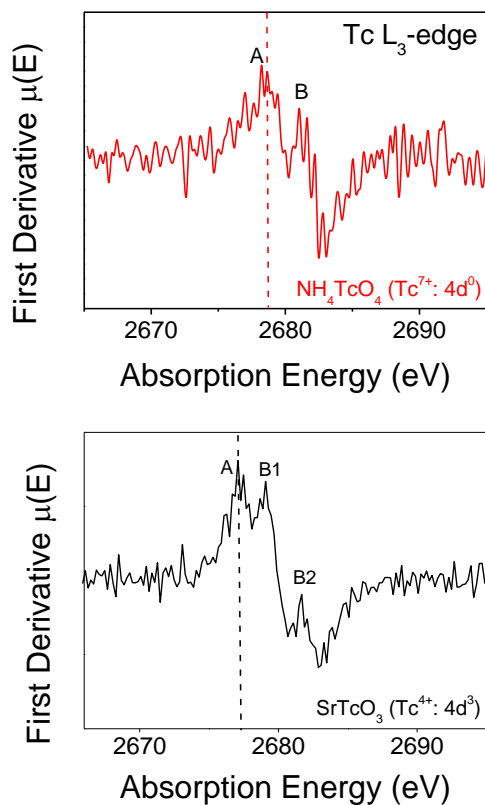
## Results



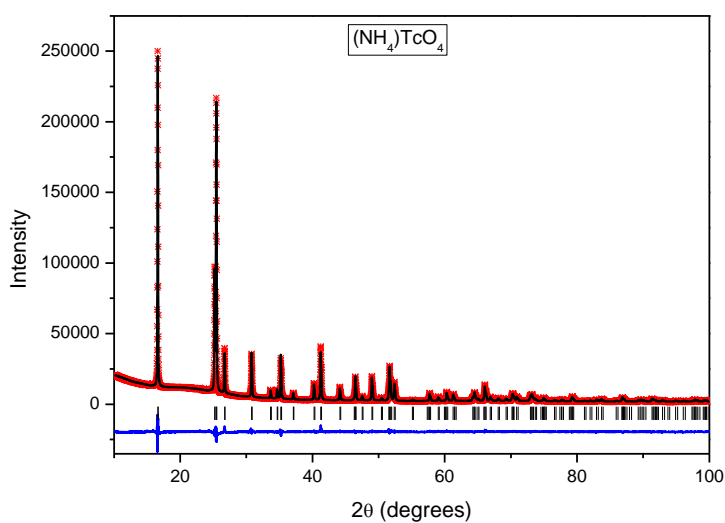
**Figure S1.** Ru L<sub>3</sub>-edge XANES spectrum of CaRuO<sub>3</sub> collected on the BL16A beamline at NSRRC.



**Figure S2.** Fitted XANES spectra of a) LT-Bi<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>6</sub>, b) HT-Bi<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>6</sub>, c) MoO<sub>2</sub>, d) CaRuO<sub>3</sub>, e) SrRuO<sub>3</sub>, and f) Sr<sub>2</sub>RuYO<sub>6</sub>.



**Figure S3.** First derivative Tc  $L_3$ -edge XANES spectra of  $\text{NH}_4\text{TcO}_4$  (top) and  $\text{SrTcO}_3$  (bottom). Dashlines corresponds to the respective absorption edge energy of each spectrum. A and B (B1 and B2) correspond to the peak maxima.



**Figure S4.** Observed, calculated and difference X-ray diffraction profiles for  $(\text{NH}_4)\text{TcO}_4$ . The structure was refined in space group  $I4_1/a$  with  $a = 5.79094(5)$  and  $c = 13.30513(13)$  Å.

ATOM	x	y	z	Biso
Tc	0	0.25	0.125	1.18(1)
N	0	0.25	0.625	-0.06(7)
O	0.1009(2)	0.4741(3)	0.1979(1)	2.05(5)
H	0.109	0.244	0.593	0.6

## References

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