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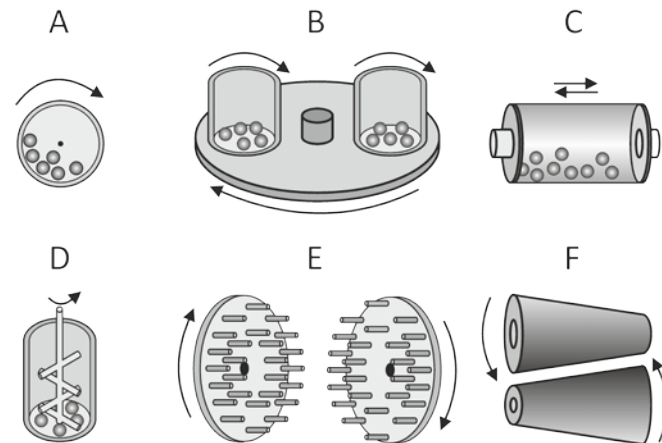
Formation of hybrid organic-inorganic guanidinium lead(II) iodides from mechanochemical reactions

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Mechanochemistry: “a chemical reaction that is induced by the direct absorption of mechanical energy” (IUPAC)

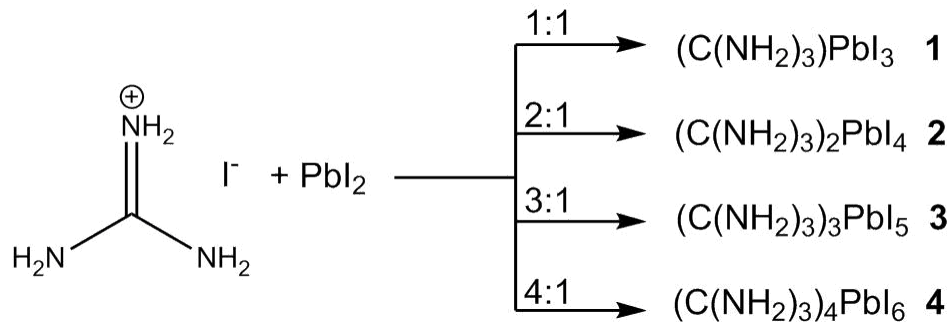


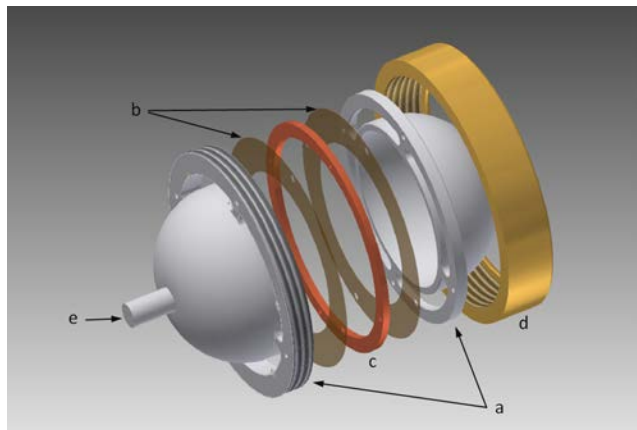
Mechanical activation creates defects, but the real mechanisms are still unknown and several theories exist



Types of mills for high-energy milling: A: ball mill, B: planetary mill, C: vibration mill, D: attritor (stirring ball mill), E: pin mill, F: rolling mill.

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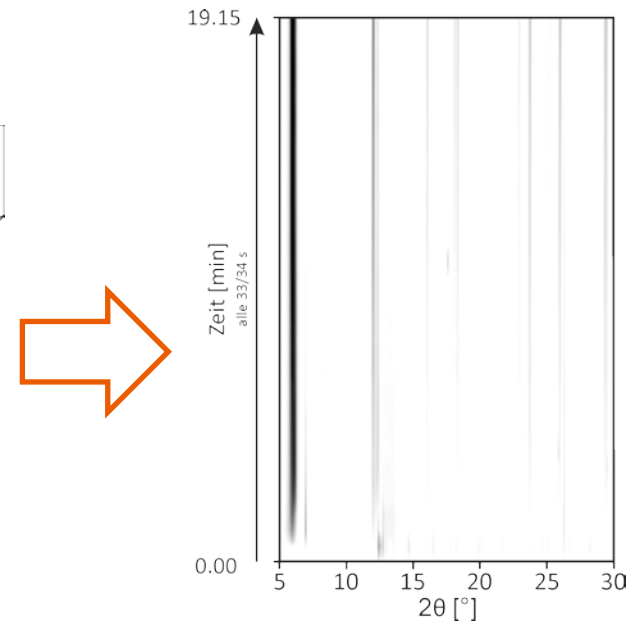
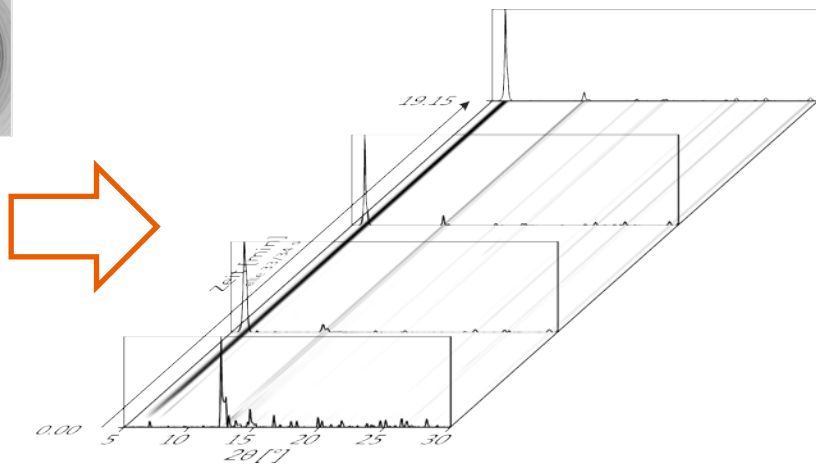
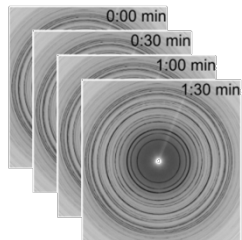


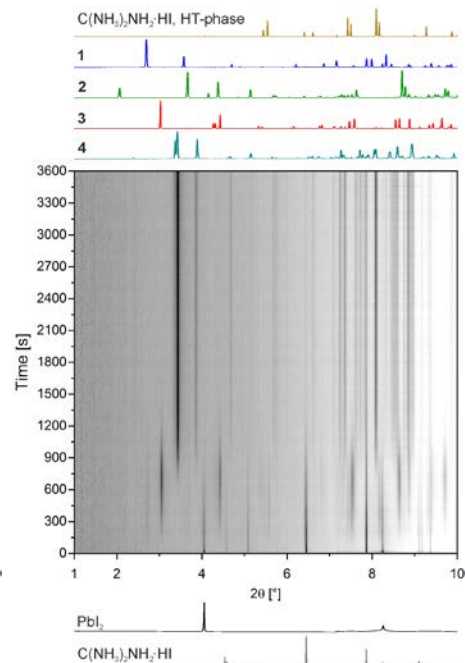
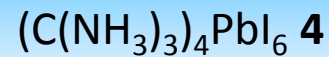
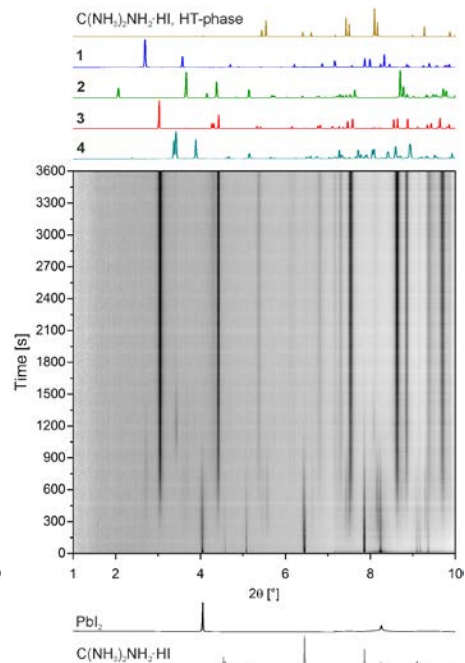
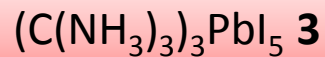
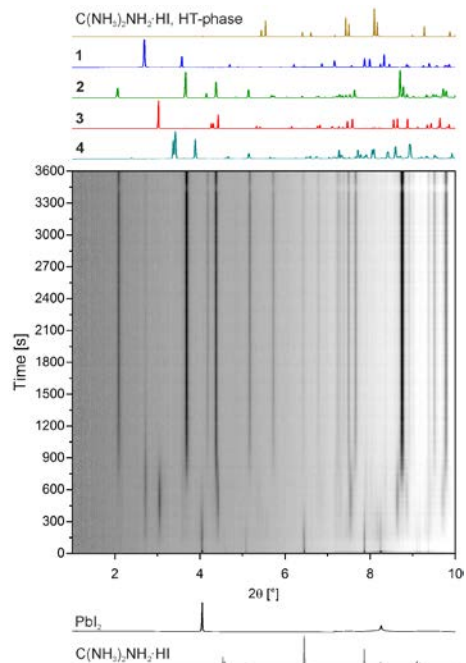
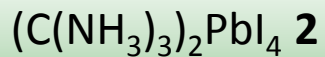
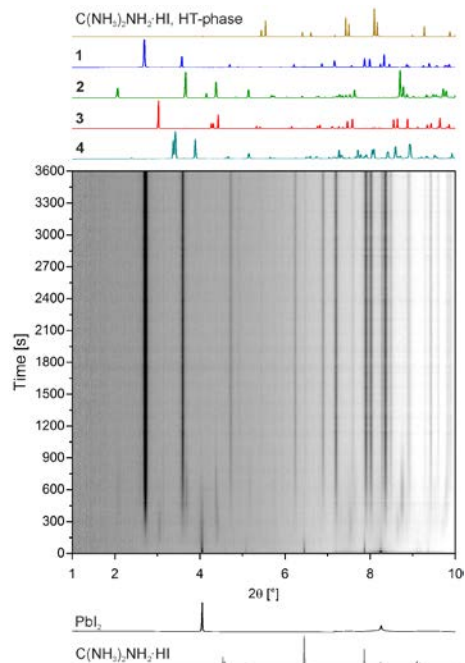
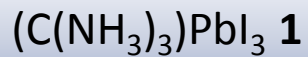


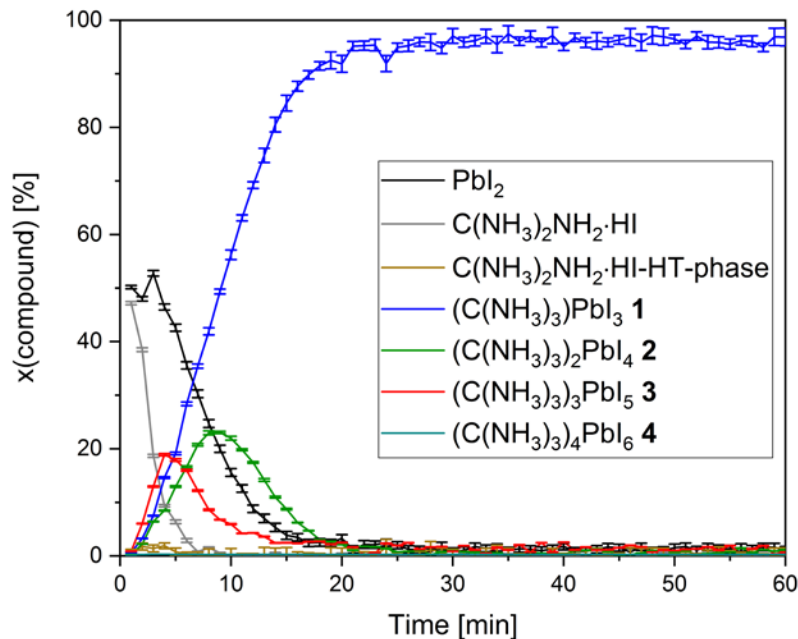
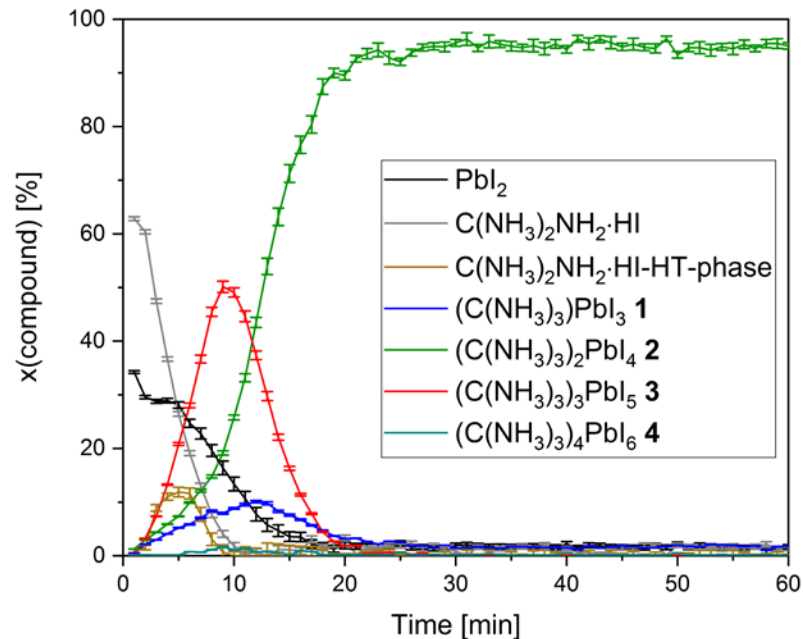
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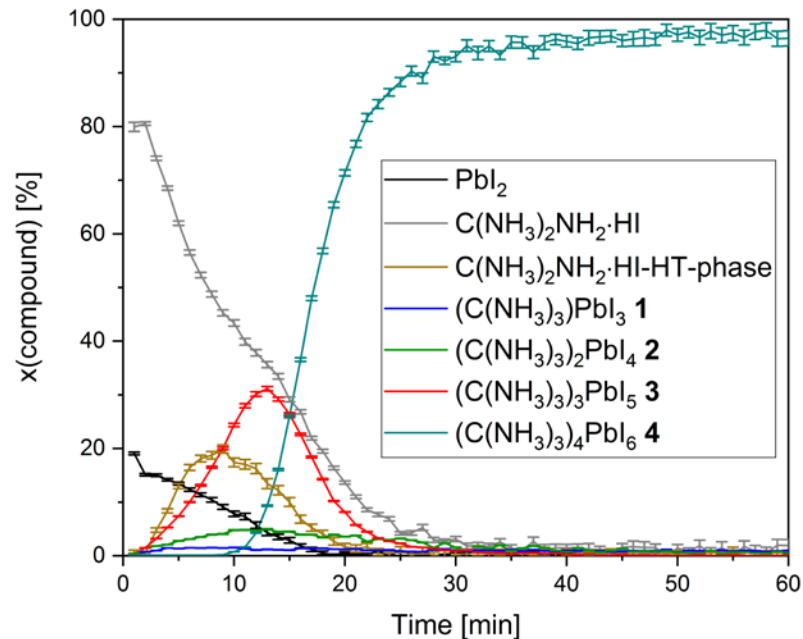
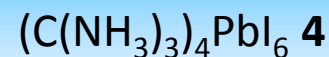
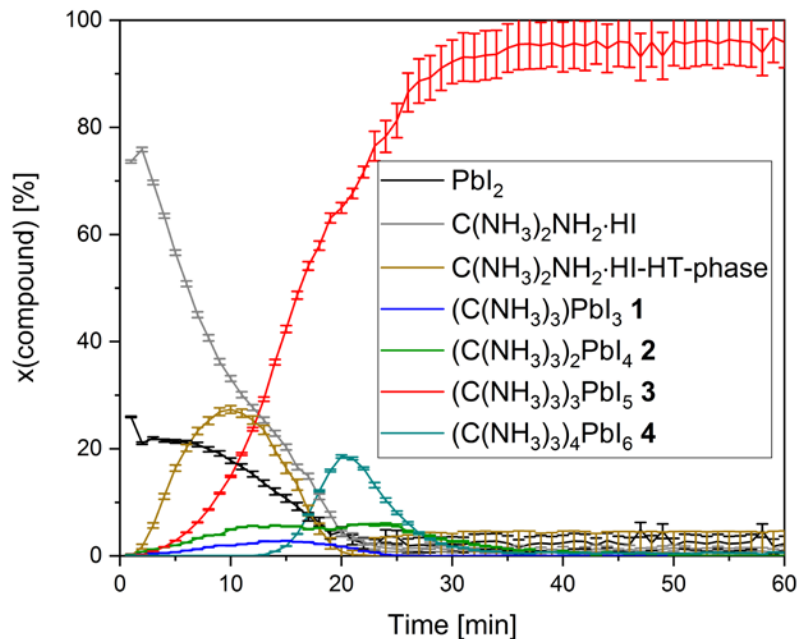
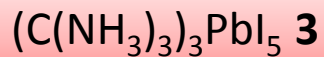


In situ setup



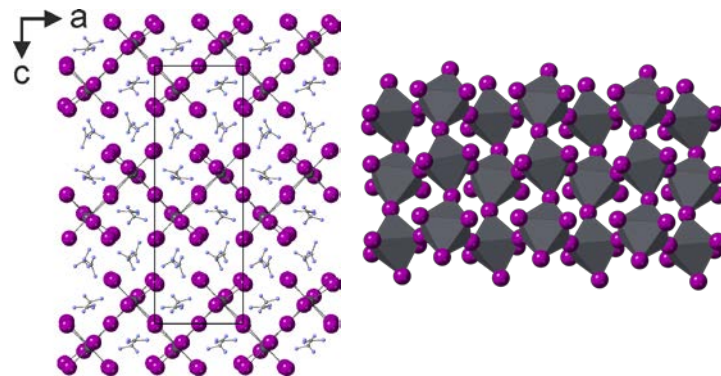
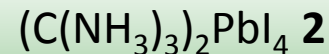
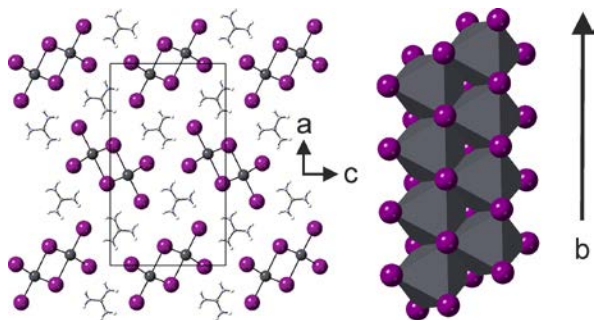
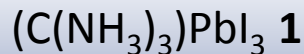


$(\text{C}(\text{NH}_3)_3)\text{PbI}_3$ **1** $(\text{C}(\text{NH}_3)_3)_2\text{PbI}_4$ **2**



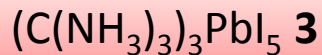
Compound	Nucleation	Growth	Shrinking
1	Fast	Slow	Slow
2	Medium	Slow	Slow
3	Fast	Fast	Fast
4	Very slow	Fast	Fast

- Are nucleation and growth related to crystal or framework structure?
- Similar speed for growth and shrinking → dependent on framework stability
- H-bonds between amine and I- getting stronger from compound 1-4
→ growth speed follows that order

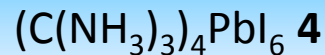
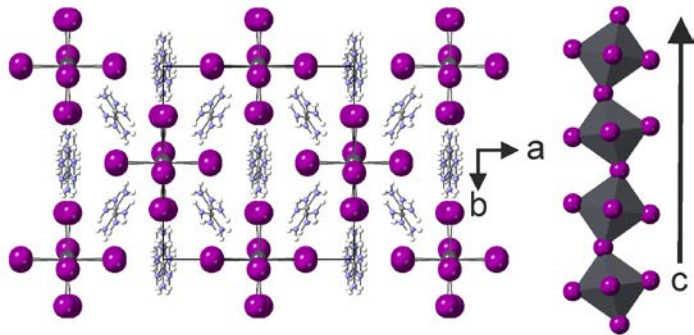


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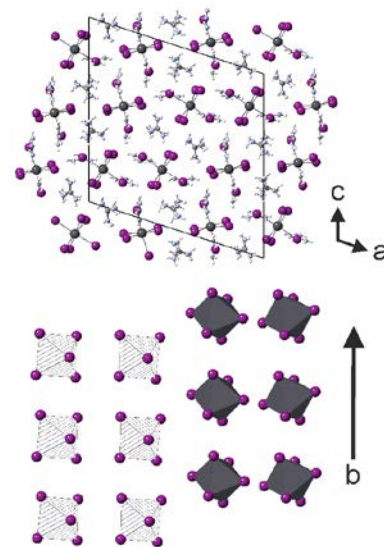
- Fast to medium nucleation speed but slow growth
→ dense ribbon- or 2D structure, requires more connections



- Fast nucleation and fast growth
→ simple 1D chain structure, easy to build



- Very slow nucleation speed but fast growth
→ isolated $[\text{PbI}_6]^{4-}$ octahedra
- critical amount needed for nucleation
- If reached, growth is just an arrangement of the single units



- Mechanochemistry suitable for synthesizing hybrid lead(II)-iodides
- Final product by stoichiometric control
- Reaction pathways guided by the complexity of the inorganic moiety and the strength of the present H-bonds

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