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Title:Highly Efficient Organic THz Generator Pumped at Near-Infrared: Quinolinium Single Crystals

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Abstract:A novel highly efficient ionic electro-optic quinolinium single crystals for THz wave applications is reported. Acentric quinolinium derivatives, HMQ-T (2-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxystyryl)-1-methylquinolinium 4-methylbenzenesulfonate) and HMQ-MBS (2-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxystyryl)-1-methylquinolinium 4-methoxybenzenesulfonate) exhibit high order parameters $\cos^3\langle i \rangle \theta_p = 0.92$ and $\cos^3\langle i \rangle \theta_p = 1.0$, respectively, as well as a large macroscopic optical nonlinearity, which is in the range of the benchmark stilbazolium DAST (*N,N*-dimethylamino-*N*-methylstilbazolium 4-methylbenzenesulfonate) and phenolic polyene OH1 (2-(3-(4-hydroxystyryl)-5,5-dimethylcyclohex-2-enylidene)malononitrile) crystals. As-grown unpolished bulk HMQ-T crystals with a side length of about 6 mm and thickness of 0.56 mm exhibit 3.1 times higher THz generation efficiency than 0.37 mm thick OH1 crystals and about 8.4 times higher than 1 mm thick inorganic standard ZnTe crystals at the near-infrared fundamental wavelength of 836 nm. Therefore, HMQ crystals with high order parameter obviously have a very high potential for high power THz-wave generation and its applications.

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