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Crystal Structure and Magnetic Properties of Bi_{1-x}Sm_xFeO₃ Compounds Across the Phase Boundary: Effect of External Pressure

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ABSTRACT

Over the last decades, ferrites and manganites have attracted great attention of scientific society [1, 2]. Especially the compounds with chemical composition near the phase boundary and characterized by metastable structural state. Metastable structural state provides frustration of ferroic orders which opens up new possibilities for practical applications of the BiFeO3-based multiferroic materials [3]. Samples of the Bi1-xSmxFeO3 system with dopant ion concentrations up to x = 0.20 were prepared by the solgel reaction method. Structural measurements for the compounds Bi1-xSmxFeO3 showed a transition from the rhombohedral phase to the nonpolar orthorhombic phase through the antipolar orthorhombic phase with an increase in the dopant content, followed by stabilization of the nonpolar orthorhombic phase. An application of external pressure (P~5GPa) to the compounds having chemical composition across the phase boundary region leads to significant modification of the crystal structure and magnetic properties of the compounds. Thus, an application external pressure provides a stabilization of the orthorhombic states, viz. the polar rhombohedral phase diminishes and transforms to the anti-polar orthorhombic phase, while the anti-polar orthorhombic phase transforms to the non-polar orthorhombic phase. Magnetic properties of the compounds subjected to external pressure demonstrate increase in the magnetization of the compounds having dominant rhombohedral phase, wherein coercivity significantly increases, while the spontaneous magnetization remains nearly constant.

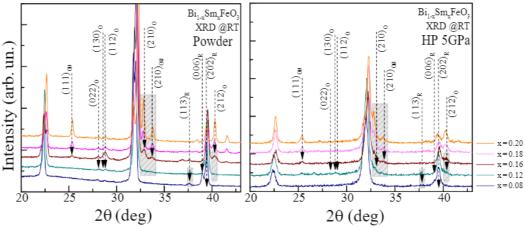


Fig. 1. Room-temperature XRD patterns obtained for the compounds powder and HP $Bi_{1-x}Sm_xFeO_3$ with x = 0.08, 0.12, 0.16, 0.18 and 0.20.

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