

Crystal Structure Analysis of $\text{Bi}_{4-x}\text{Nd}_x\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}$ by Using Neutron Powder Diffraction Data

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Neutron powder diffraction data was used for crystal structure analysis of ferroelectric $\text{Bi}_{4-x}\text{Nd}_x\text{Ti}_3\text{O}_{12}$ (BNT, $x = 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75$ and 1.0). Rietveld refinement was carried out for all samples. Decrease of a -axis lattice parameter was observed with an increase in substituted amount of Nd. Orthorhombicity, defined as $2(a-b)/(a+b)$, also decreased with increasing x . Based on the refinement results, spontaneous polarization along the a -axis was calculated, which decreased from 35.4 to 28.3, 24.8, 22.2 and 7.6 $\mu\text{C}/\text{cm}^2$ with increasing x from 0 to 0.25, 0.5, 0.75 and 1.0 respectively.