

## BARIUM FERRITE MATERIAL SYNTHESIZED ON A SOLAR FURNACE

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**Abstract** – The synthesis process of materials for example ferrous barium oxide in a solar furnace was studied. It was shown that when the  $\text{BaCO}_3 + \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  mixtures of concentrated solar radiation are exposed to high ( $350 \text{ W/cm}^2$ ) density, barium hexagonal ferrite  $4(\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3)_4(\text{FeO})\text{BaFeO}_{3-x}$  is formed and the cubic  $\text{Ba}_3\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_{6-x} = 2(\text{BaO})\text{FeO}\text{BaFeO}_{3-x}$ , tetragonal  $\text{BaOFeO}\text{BaFeO}_{3-x}$  modifications.

**Keywords:** Magnetic material, solar furnace, structural defects, dielectric constant.

**Introduction**

To obtain barium ferrite, the initial reagents were used: barium carbonate  $\text{BaCO}_3$  iron dioxide  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ . The powders were mixed in the required proportion and were briquetted. Melting of a mixture of iron oxide and barium carbonate on the focal plane of the solar furnace when exposed to a concentrated light flux of  $350 \text{ W/cm}^2$  density with an exposure to the melting state for 15 minutes. The melts were cooled in air ( $10^2$  degrees / s) and in running water ( $10^3$  degrees/s).

X-ray phase and X-ray diffraction analyzes of the samples under study were carried out on diffractometers DRON-3M ( $\text{CuK}\alpha$  radiation). The measurements were carried out at room temperature. The resistivity was measured by the method of current-voltage characteristics and the double-probe method [1]. When conducting electrical measurements used copper contacts deposited by sputtering. The magnetodielectric effect (MD effect, magnetic intensity) was recorded by changing the dielectric constant when the sample was introduced into a magnetic field.

$$\Delta(H)/\epsilon(0) = (\epsilon(H) - \epsilon(0)) / \epsilon(0)$$

where  $\epsilon(H)$  and  $\epsilon(0)$  are dielectric constant in the magnetic field and without him.

The registration of the magnetodielectric effect was carried out in a constant magnetic field of intensity  $H=3.0 \text{ kOe}$ .

Figure 1 shows microscopic photographs of  $\text{BaCO}_3 + \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  melts cooled a) in air ( $10^2$  degrees/s) and b) in running water ( $10^3$  degrees/s).

Analysis of microscopic images showed that melts consist of particles of various sizes and shapes. In the case of air cooling, the morphology of the melt corresponds to a fine-grained structure with particle sizes of 1-5 microns, and in the case of cooling in water - 10 - 20 microns.

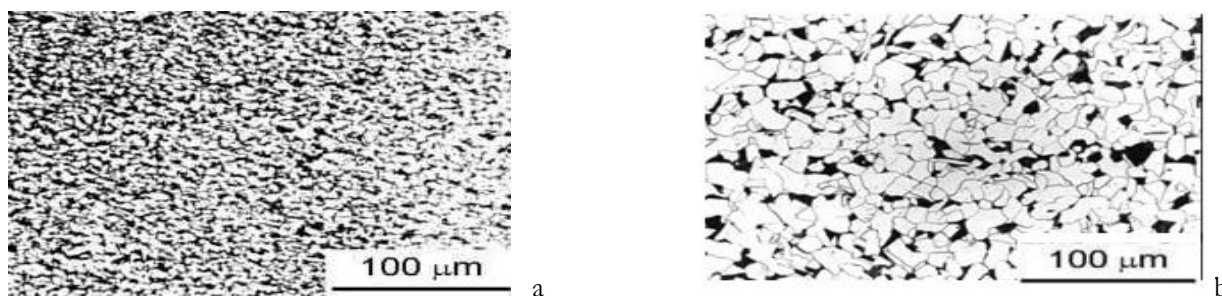


Fig.1. Microscopic images of  $\text{BaCO}_3 + \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  melts cooled a) in air ( $10^2$  degrees/s) and b) in running water ( $10^3$  degrees/s)

Figure 2 shows the X-ray diffraction patterns of BaCO<sub>3</sub> + Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> melts cooled a) -n air (10<sup>2</sup> degrees/s), b) in running water (10<sup>3</sup> degrees/s), c) -baked at a temperature T = 1300<sup>0</sup> C

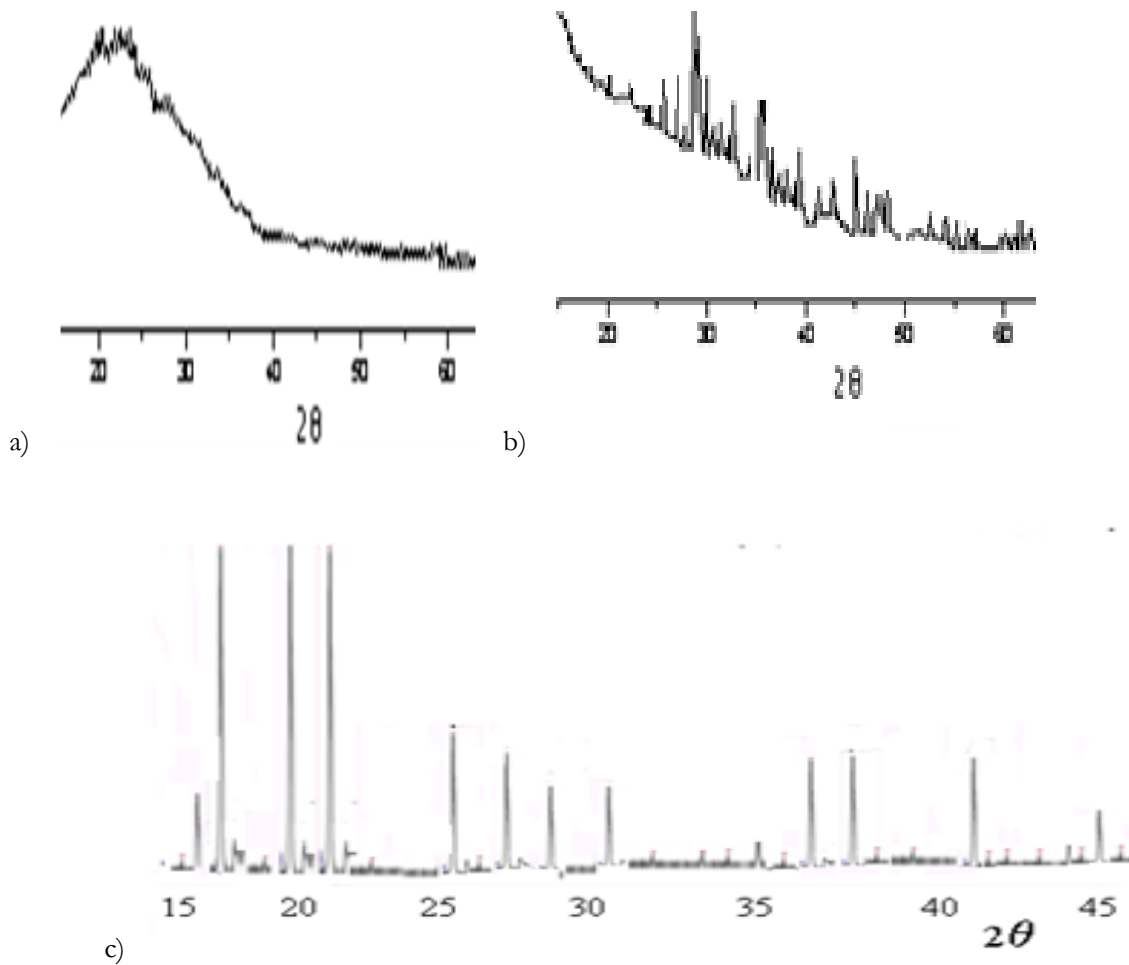


Fig.2. X-ray diffraction patterns of BaCO<sub>3</sub> + Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> melts cooled a) in air (10<sup>2</sup> degrees / s), b) in running water (10<sup>3</sup> degrees / s); c) calcined at a temperature of T = 1300 ° C.

From the analysis of radiographs of BaCO<sub>3</sub> + Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> melts cooled a) - in air (10<sup>2</sup> degrees/s) and b) in running water (10<sup>3</sup> degrees/s) it follows that, depending on the cooling rate, the material can be obtained in varying degrees of amorphism. Quenching in water allows you to fix the amorphous state of matter. While cooling in air on the surface of a water-cooled substrate results in a mixture of amorphous and crystalline phases — a glass-ceramic material.

X-ray diffraction studies showed that the samples calcined at a temperature T = 1300<sup>0</sup> C were polycrystalline and were a mixture of barium ferrite phases of various modifications — hexagonal ferrous barium oxide 4 (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) 4 (FeO) BaFeO<sub>3-x</sub> with lattice parameters a = 5.86, c = 23.2 Å, cubic Ba<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6-x</sub> = 2 (BaO) FeOBaFeO<sub>3-x</sub> with the parameter a = 16.79Å, tetragonal BaOFeOBaFeO<sub>3-x</sub> with the parameters a = 5.98, c = 13.93 Å [1].

Table 1 shows the results of LCR measurements of barium ferrite depending on the type of samples.

**Table 1. The results of LCR measurements of barium ferrite**

Samples	ε	C, μΦ
quenching in water	22340	920
Slow air cooling	19210	790

Sintered after quenching	14600	600
Solid-phase synthesis in an electric furnace	7450	540

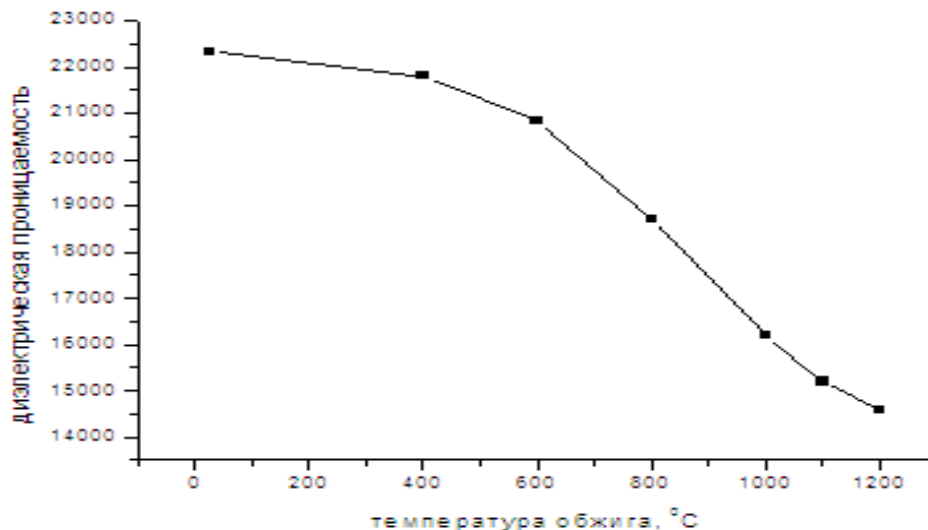


Fig.3. The dependence of the dielectric constant A1-type samples, annealed at different temperatures.

As can be seen from table 1, A-type samples exhibit enhanced dielectric properties compared with B-and C-type samples.

Figure 3 shows the dependence of the dielectric constant of the A1-type of samples annealed at different temperatures.

From Fig. 3 it can be seen that with an increase in the firing temperature, the dielectric constant decreases in comparison with the fused sample. This is due to the fact that when melting on a solar furnace under the influence of high-density concentrated solar radiation, a large number of oxygen vacancy-type structure defects are formed, mainly in the border areas, which cause an increase in the dielectric constant [2-5]. These defects are fired during thermal roasting in air, and a decrease in the dielectric constant of the material is observed.

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