

**ELECTRICAL, STRUCTURAL AND THERMAL PROPERTIES OF  
NANO-CERAMIC  
(BI<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>1-X-Y</sub>(DY<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>X</sub>(SM<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>Y</sub> AND (BI<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>1-X-</sub>  
Y(DY<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>X</sub>(TM<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>Y</sub>  
TERNARY SYSTEM**

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**ABSTRACT**

Crystal structure and temperature dependence of Sm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Tm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> doped bismuth trioxide (Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) ternary solid solutions have been investigated. The (Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>1-x-y</sub>(Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>x</sub>(Sm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>y</sub> and (Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>1-x-y</sub>(Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>x</sub>(Tm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)<sub>y</sub> ternary systems were obtained with x=20,10 mol % and y=20,10 mol % dopant concentrations. The temperature dependence of the electrical properties of  $\delta$ -phase of solid solution samples were measured by d.c. four point probe technique. The crystallographic structure of the samples were characterized by X-ray powder diffractions (XRD). The unit cell parameters were determined from the powder diffraction patterns. Thermal behavior and stability of the phases were investigated by Differential Thermal Analysis-Thermo Gravity (DTA-TG).