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Electrical Properties of the $Ln_{3-x}Y_xTaO_7$ (Ln=Dy, Gd) solid solution JOSE FRANCISCO GOMEZ-GARCIA, Facultad de Quimica, ALEJANDRO DURAN, Centro de Nanociencias y Nanotecnologia, PABLO DE LA MORA¹, Facultad de Ciencias, GUSTAVO TAVIZON, Facultad de Quimica, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico — Systems with the formula $Ln_{3-x}Y_xTaO_7$ (Ln=Dy, Gd) crystallizing in the weberite related structure (SG C222, No. 20) were synthesized by the solid-state reaction method. Structural characterization through Rietveld refinements indicates that a solid solution in the whole range $0 \le x \le 3$ exist in both Gd and Dy systems. Structural cell parameters as a function of the rare-earth content areshown in this work, as well as the AC electrical properties in the 30-700°C range. We have performed impedance (400-600°C) and electric polarizability measurements (at room temperature); the results indicate that the polarizability reaches its maximum values at x=0.67, 1.67 and 2.33 for the Gd samples, meanwhile these values were x=0.67 and 2.0 for the Dy samples. In intermediate composition values, the $Ln_{3-x}Y_xTaO_7$ samples exhibit null polarization.

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