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Crystallographic and Mössbauer studies of YMn_{1.8}Fe_{0.2}O₅

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The crystallographic and magnetic properties of YMn_{1.8}Fe_{0.2}O₅ powders have been studied by x-ray, neutron diffraction, and Mössbauer spectroscopy. The samples were prepared by sol-gel process and crystallized at various temperatures. The crystalline structures of the powders sintered below 1200 °C were found to be a single phase of orthorhombic(space group : *Pbam*), containing in the crystalline structure infinite chains of Mn⁴⁺–O₆ octahedra sharing edges, linked together by Mn³⁺–O₅ bipyramid. But the samples sintered above 1200 °C were changed to hexagonal structure with satellite phases. The crystal structure is determined by rietvelt method. For sintered at 1000 °C, the lattice parameters of YMn_{1.8}Fe_{0.2}O₅ were refined to be a_0 =7.294, b_0 =8.492, c_0 =5.681 Å. The Mössbauer spectra of YMn_{1.8}Fe_{0.2}O₅ powders were taken at various temperatures ranging from 4.2 K to room temperature. The quadrupole splitting and the isomer shift at RT were 1.15 mm/s and 0.14 mm/s, respectively. The Néel temperature of YMn_{1.8}Fe_{0.2}O₅ was determined to be T_N = 40 K.

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