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Magnetic properties of Tb2Bi1Fe5O12 and Ho2Bi1Fe5O12 nanoparticle.

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Polycrystalline Tb₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ and Ho₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ were prepared using the sol-gel method. Weighted amounts of Tb(NO₃)₃•5H₂O, Tb(NO₃)₃•5H₂O, Bi(NO₃)₃•5H₂O, and Fe(NO₃)₃•9H₂O were first dissolved in 2-methoxyethanal (2-MOE) and acetic acid. The solution was refluxed at 80 °C for 24 h to allow gel formation, and then dried at 120 °C for 24h. The dried powder were ground and annealed at temperature 900 °C for 3h in air. The crystallographic and magnetic properties of powders were studied by using x-ray diffraction and vibrating sample magnetometer. Crystal structure of the samples is determined to be normal cubic structure Ia3d by Rietveld refinement. The particle sizes calculated using scherrer equation of Tb₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ and Ho₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ are 60 and 47 nm, respectively. The determined lattice constants of Tb2Bi1Fe5O12 and Ho2Bi1Fe5O12 are 12.499 and 12.459 Å, respectively. The saturation magnetization (M_s) and coercivity (H_c) can be controlled by bismuth contents in bismuth substituted terbium iron garnet [1]. In this study, we report on the magnetic properties of Tb₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ and Ho₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ nano powder. The M_s of Tb₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ and Ho₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ is 10.234 and 14.404 emu/g, respectively. And the H_c of Tb₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ and Ho₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ is 56.57 and 32.33 Oe, respectively. Ho₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂ shows the larger M_s and smaller H_c than Tb₂Bi₁Fe₅O₁₂.

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