## Thermal Properties of Co<sub>0.5</sub>Zn<sub>0.5</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Nanoparticles for Hyperthermia Applications

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 $Co_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}Fe_2O_4$  nanoparticles (NPs) were prepared by using a high-temperature thermal decomposition method. The crystal structure was found to be cubic spinel with space group Fd - 3m and the lattice constant  $(a_0)$  to be 8.40 Å by using a Rietveld refinement analysis. Based on the Scherrer equation, we obtained the average size of NPs a 9.4 nm. The magnetic properties were characterized using a vibrating sample magnetometer (VSM) as well as external magnetic field Mössbauer spectroscope taken at 4.2 K. The saturation magnetization  $(M_s)$  and coercivity  $(H_c)$  of the NPs were 78.7 emu/g and 21.0 Oe, respectively. The thermal properties of the NPs were measured by using a magneTherm device within the physiologically safe ranges of the frequency and the amplitude. The self-heating temperatures of the NPs were found to be 104 and 119 °C at 50 and 112 kHz, respectively, under on applied field of 25 mT.

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