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## THE UNUSUAL BEHAVIOR OF BI(ZN<sub>1/2</sub>TI<sub>1/2</sub>)O<sub>3</sub> IN PEROVSKITE SOLID SOLUTIONS

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The presentation will summarize recent results on the crystal structure, dielectric properties, and piezoelectric properties of perovskite solid solutions with  $Bi(Zn_{1/2}Ti_{1/2})O_3$  (BZT) as a component. With a tolerance factor of t = 0.95, BZT is not stable under normal atmospheres and pressures. However, recent work has shown that BZT can form solid solutions with a large number of stable perovskites such as PbTiO3, BaTiO3, NaNbO3, and (Bi,Na)TiO3. The addition of the Bi $(Zn_{1/2}Ti_{1/2})O_3$  phase has a profound impact on the phase transition in a normal ferroelectric such as BaTiO<sub>3</sub> or an antiferroelectric such as NaNbO<sub>3</sub>. These systems exhibit a diffuse phase transition and a slim guasi-linear dielectric response with no measurable remanent polarization, which may be an indication of weakly-coupled relaxor behavior. This presentation will highlight recent findings on the influence of the microstructure and engineered point defects (i.e. non-stoichiometry and doping) on the dielectric response. In particular, we will show that cation deficient compositions exhibit an increase in relative permittivity, an increase in the insulation resistance, and a reduction in dielectric loss. It will also be shown that many BZT-based solid solutions also exhibit an unusual electromechanical strain behavior that is characterized by large hysteretic strains under E-fields above 50 kV/cm.

Die Vortrag finden um **15:00 Uhr** im Gebäude der Materialwissenschaften, Lichtwiese, Petersenstr. 23, **Raum 77**, statt.

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