PEROVSKI-WHAT??





What is a perovskite?

A group of related minerals and ceramics having the same crystal structure as this...





https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=3&v=fVqsCRvPAY4

History of Perovskites

• A **perovskite** is any material with the same type of crystal structure as calcium titanium oxide (CaTiO₃), known as the *perovskite structure*, or ABX₃ with the oxygen in the edge centers. Perovskites take their name from the mineral, which was first discovered in the Ural mountains of Russia by Gustav Rose in 1839 and is named after Russian mineralogist L. A. Perovski (1792–1856).

Structure of the perovskite

• The general chemical formula for perovskite compounds is ABX₃, where 'A' and 'B' are two cations of very different sizes, and X is an anion that bonds to both. The 'A' atoms are larger than the 'B' atoms. The ideal cubic structure has the B cation in 6-fold coordination, surrounded by an octahedron of anions, and the A cation in 12fold cuboctohedral coordination.

Perovskite Structure

• In the idealized cubic <u>unit cell</u> of such a compound, type 'A' atom sits at cube corner positions (0, 0, 0), type 'B' atom sits at body-center position (1/2, 1/2, 1/2) and oxygen atoms sit at face centered positions (1/2, 1/2, 0). (The diagram shows edges for an equivalent unit cell with A in the body center position, B at the corners, and O at mid-edge positions).

Perovskite Structure Video

- More in depth video on perovskite structure!
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sc0uWcOZSNU

My Summer Project

Problem: Can a perovskite be used as an ink, to print a capacitor?

Hypothesis: If silver, tantalum, and niobium oxides are combined to for ANT, then the powder could be used in an ink

to print a capacitor using an ink jet printer.

Experiment:

ANT will be created by calcining the proper batch in a furnace. The ANT will then be used in solution to form an ink, that will print in a Dimatix inkjet printer.

Data:

Analysis:

Conclsuion:

Measuring all the proper amounts of chemical powders for the "batch"

Laboratory Procedure The powders must be "milled", or mixed thoroughly, together in a solution of pure water before they can be calcined.

Next step is to dry the solution so that only a powder is left

Once completely dried, it's crushed into a fine powder, as fine as sifted flour

The box furnace is where the magic happens! This is where the powder is heated to extremely high temperatures and chemically combine to form the new substance

Calcining - Basically cooking up stuff in the lab!

After the furnace and another grinding into a fine flour like powder, the X-ray Diffraction machine will analyze the substance and what is we created in the furnace

XRD Results

How are perovskites going to be used? Solar Power and Electric Circuits

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More videos...

- Perovskites for undergrads <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d2npedzLFaA</u>
- Constructing Solar Cell <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZdpQgPJ1Plk</u>

Time for an activity!

Thank you!

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