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Preparation of Pb Doped 110 K Phase BiSrCaCuO Thick Films by Screen Printing

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Scientific Journals Home Page Abstract: Thick Films of Bi<sub>2</sub>Sr<sub>2</sub>Ca<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>x</sub> were obtained on cleaved MgO (100) substrates from a component gel of stoichiometric composition with partial Pb substitution of Bi. Formation employeed screen printing method. Films were subjected two step annealing at temperatures above 850°C and 880 oC for the formation of the crystal structure and to attain superconducting properties. X-ray diffraction patterns and R-T measurements showed coexistence of the (2212) and (2223) phases for most of the films. Metallic behaviour in resistance and 110 K onset temperature were observed for good quality films with a completed superconducting transition between 78-103 K. Critical current densities were found in the range 3-5 A/cm² at 80 K from current-voltage measurements.

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