

## High magnetic performance in Al-substituted BaFe<sub>12</sub>O<sub>19</sub> by a wet chemical process

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A wet chemical process has prepared Al-substituted barium ferrite nanoparticles BaFe<sub>11</sub>AlO<sub>19</sub>. Structural and magnetic properties of BaFe<sub>11</sub>AlO<sub>19</sub> powders were characterized with an X-ray diffractometer, a vibrating sample magnetometer, and a Mössbauer spectroscopy. The results of X-ray diffraction measurements showed that the BaFe<sub>11</sub>AlO<sub>19</sub> had an *M*-type hexagonal structure with lattice parameters  $a_0=5.871$ ,  $c_0=23.190$  Å and X-ray density  $\rho_x=5.194$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>. The particle size was 37 nm. Mössbauer spectra of BaFe<sub>11</sub>AlO<sub>19</sub> measured at various absorber temperatures of 15–800 K. Its Curie temperature is found to be  $700 \pm 5$  K. The average hyperfine field  $H_{\text{hf}}(T)$  of the BaFe<sub>11</sub>AlO<sub>19</sub> shows a temperature dependence of  $[H_{\text{hf}}(T)-H_{\text{hf}}(0)]/H_{\text{hf}}(0)=-0.34(T/T_c)^{3/2}-0.05(T/T_c)^{3/2}$  for  $T/T_c<0.7$ , indicative of spin-wave excitation. The anisotropy fields  $H_A$  was 21.2 kOe and anisotropy constant  $K_1$  was  $2.86 \times 10^6$  erg/cm<sup>3</sup> at room temperature, as determined the law of approach to saturation (LAS). The saturation magnetization was 44.3 emu/g and the coercivity was 7.56 kOe.