

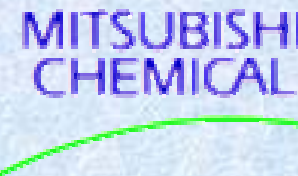
Synthesis of Luminescent **Hybrid Materials**



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REASON FOR THE RESEARCH

- Hg-based fluorescent lamps

Hg $\xrightarrow{254\text{nm}}$ Phosphor \longrightarrow visible

Why change?

Environmental pollution; Decrease power consumption; Longer life

- Future /Upcoming Tech GaN

GaN $\xrightarrow[400\text{nm}]{360\text{nm-}}$ Hybrid Material \longrightarrow visible

Objective:

- To Make Luminescent Inorganic-Organic Hybrid Materials

Approach:

- Synthesis of materials containing lanthanide ions (La, Gd) by hydrothermal synthesis
- Studying luminescent properties of doped compounds

HYDROTHERMAL SYNTHESIS

- What is Hydrothermal Synthesis?

- Moderate Temperature

- Autogenous Pressure

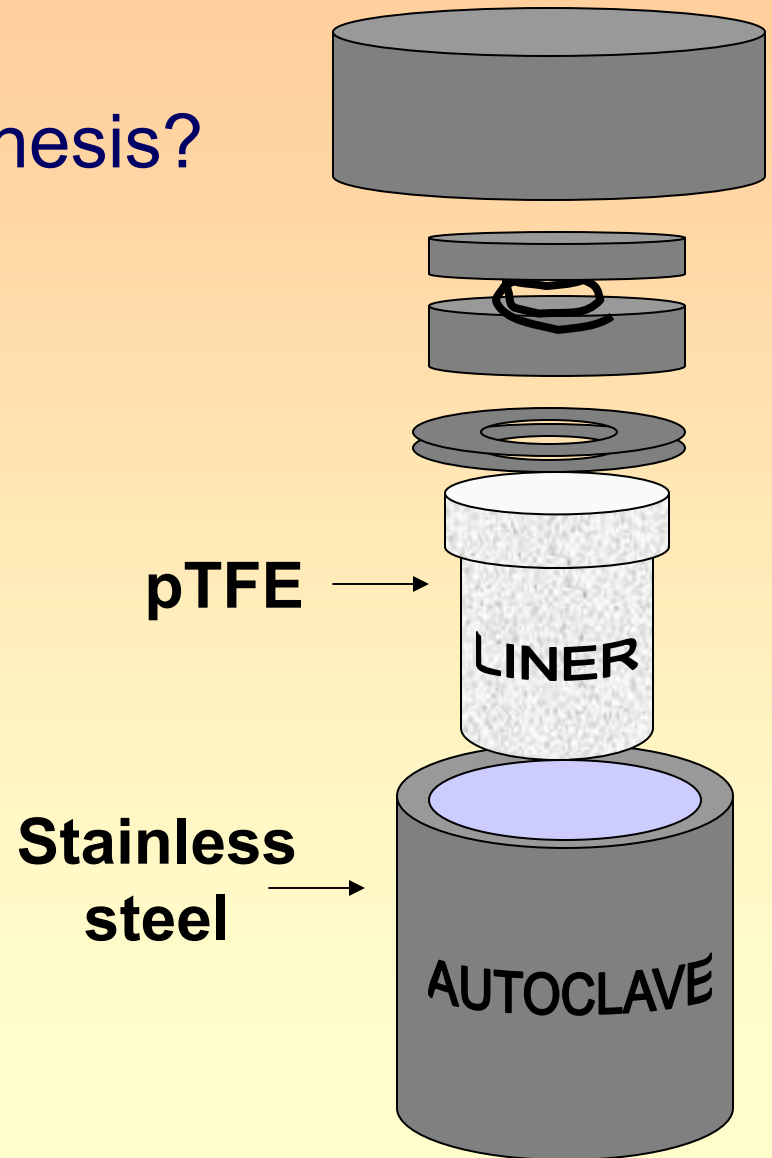
- PROCEDURE:

- Combining reactants

- Autoclave

- Heat 200°C ~ 2,3 days

- Filter Material



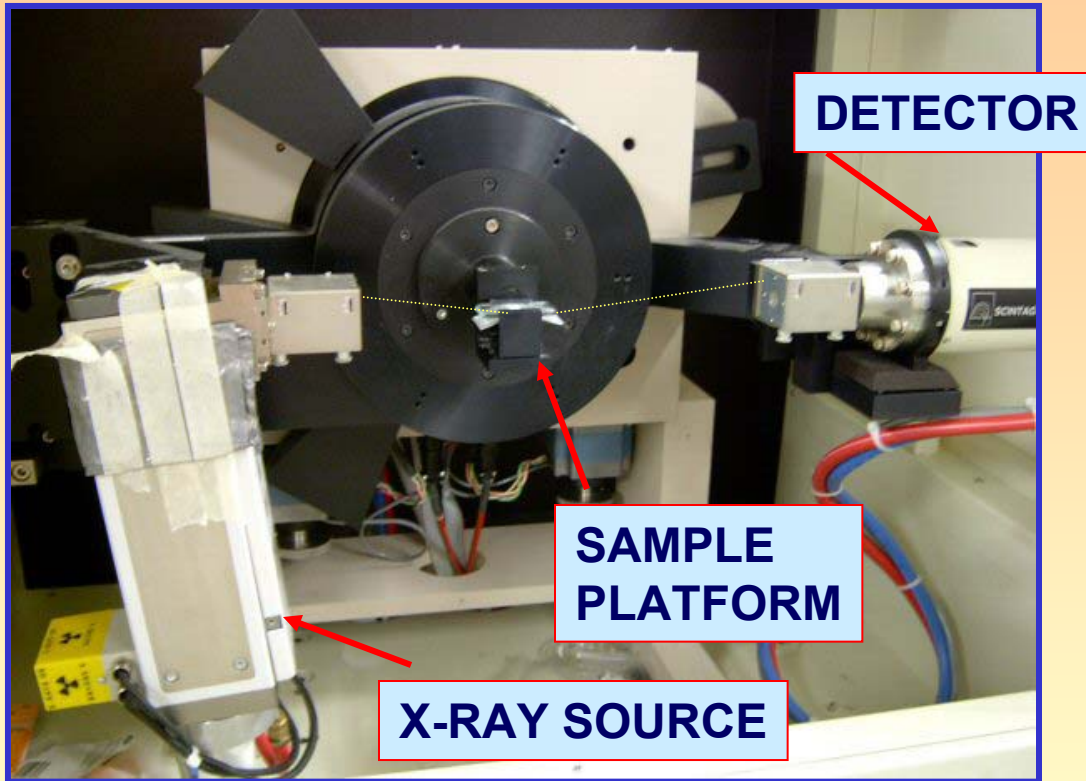
Synthesized Samples:



Characterization:

- Single-crystal X-ray diffraction
- Powder X-ray diffraction
- Thermogravimetric Analysis
- Photoluminescence

Powder X-ray diffraction

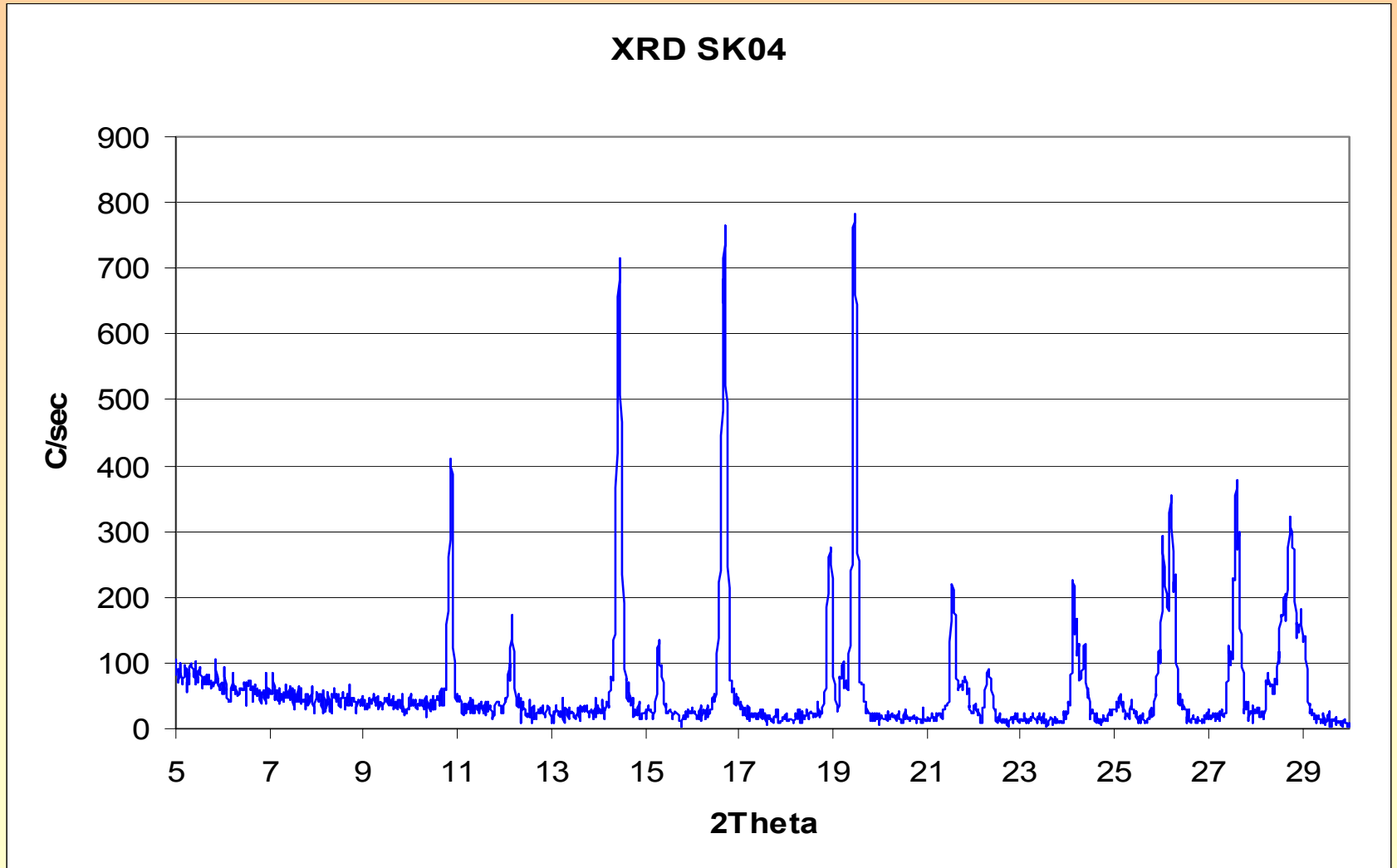


Bragg's Law:

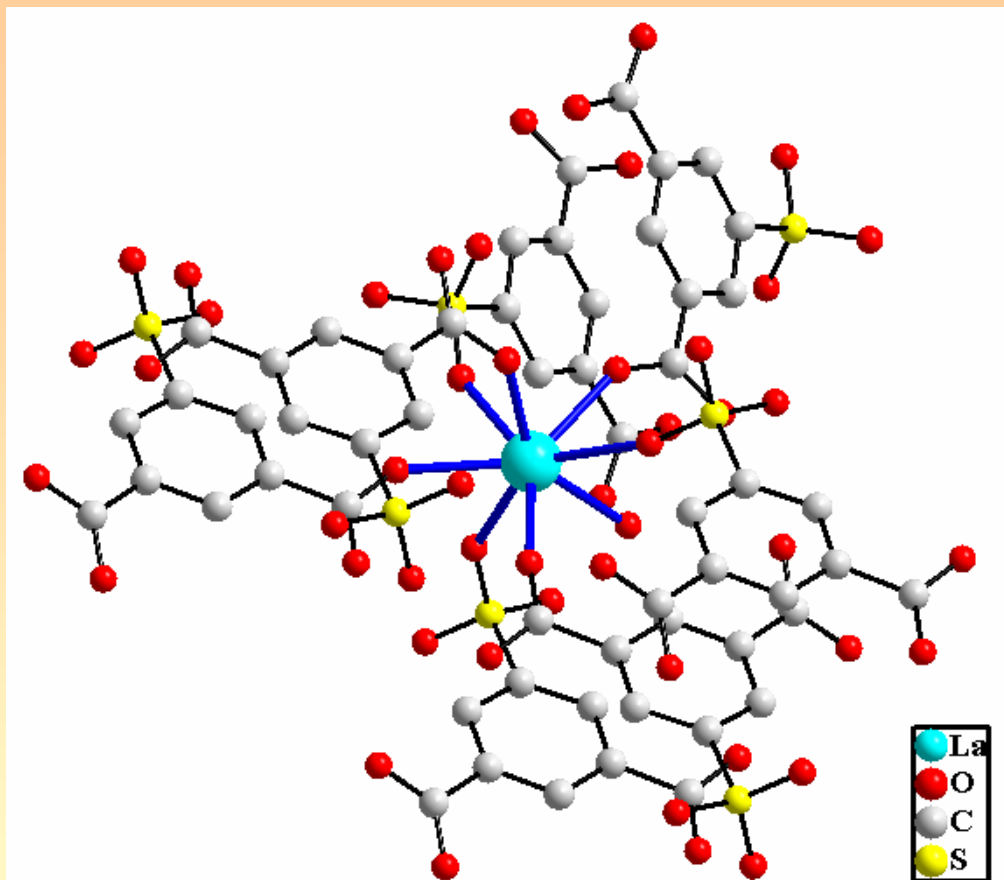
$$n\lambda = 2d(\sin\theta)$$

- Cu source ($\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$)

Powder XRD scan



Single Crystal X-ray diffraction



- Mo source ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$)
- $0.1 \times 0.1 \times 0.08 \text{ mm}$

SK04

1mmol $\text{La}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$:

2mmol 5-sulfo-isophthalic acid

Water, NaOH

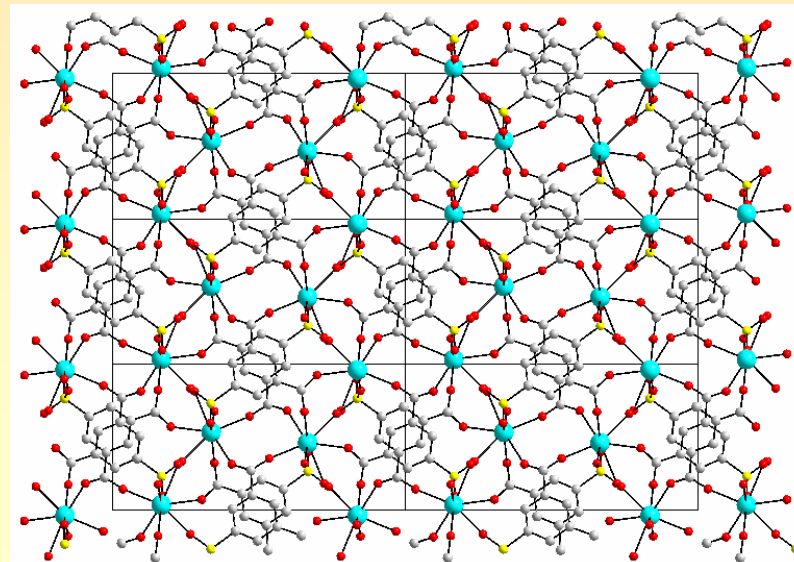
$T = 180^\circ\text{C}/2\text{days}$

$a = 7.1669(10) \text{ \AA}$

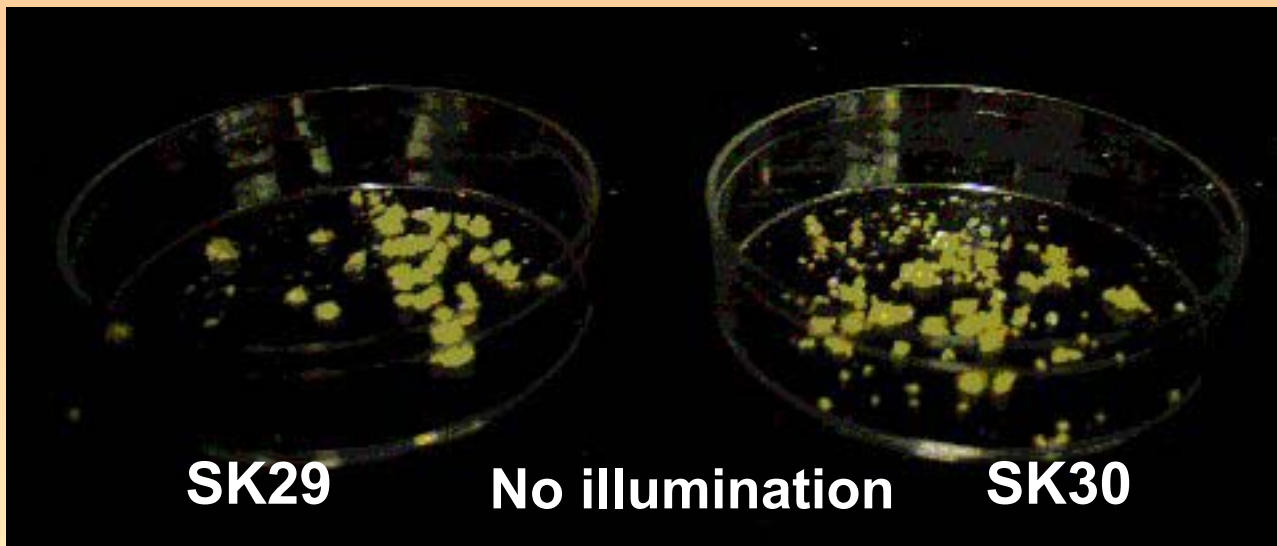
$b = 8.3139(12) \text{ \AA}$

$c = 16.8519(24) \text{ \AA}$

$\beta = 97.5^\circ$



LUMINESCENCE



.95mmol $\text{La}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$:

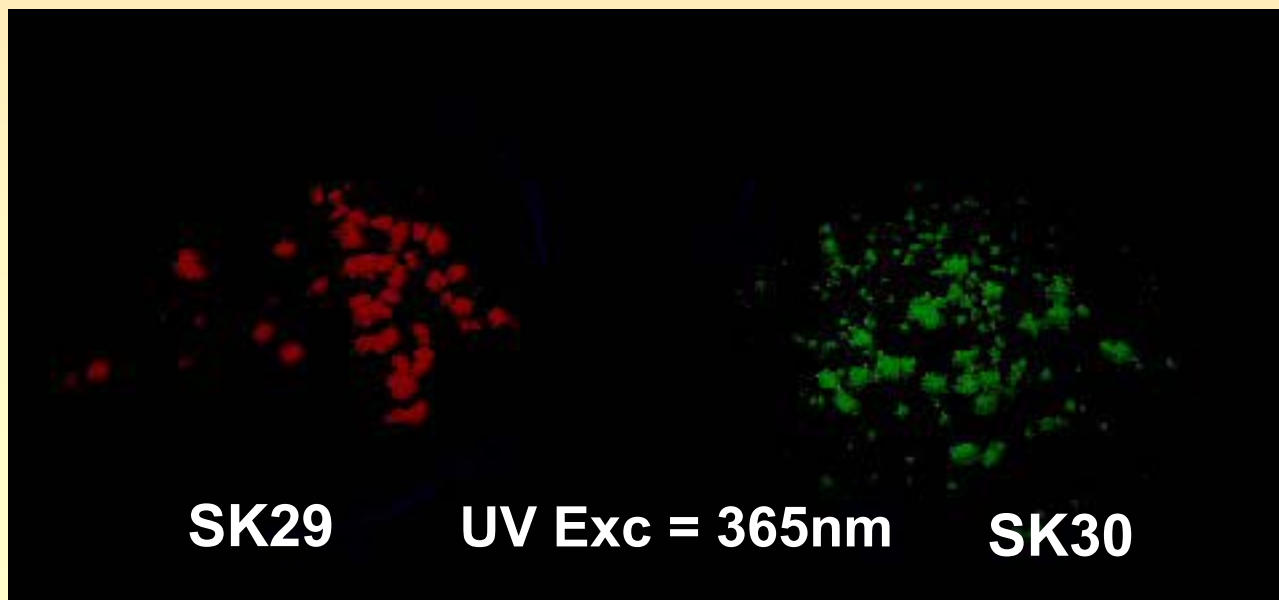
2mmol 5-sulfo-isophthalic acid

.05mmol Europium(II) nitrate pentahydrate (SK29)

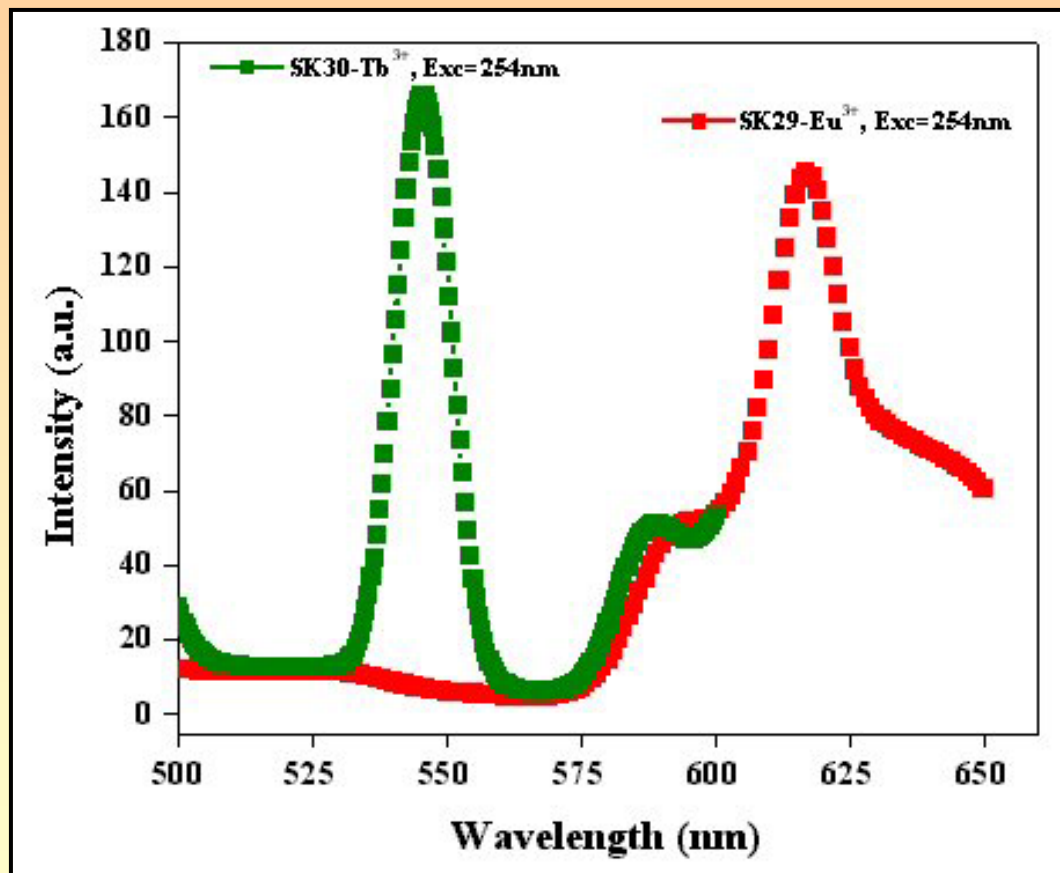
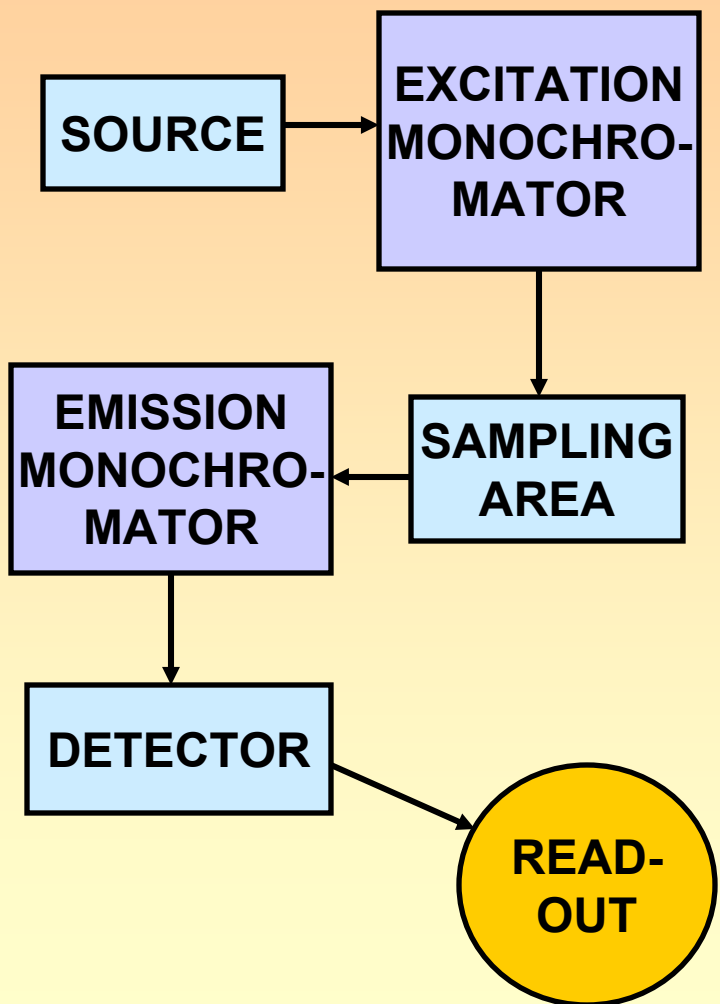
.05mmol Terbium(III) nitrate pentahydrate (SK30)

Goal:

**R(Eu) + G(Tb)
+ B(Ce) = White
light**



Photoluminescence



Achievements:

- **Synthesized new hybrid materials**
- **Determined the single crystal structure of Lanthanum 5-sulfoisophthalate**
- **Studied the luminescent properties of Lanthanum 3,4-pyridinedicarboxylate doped with Eu and Tb.**

Future plans:

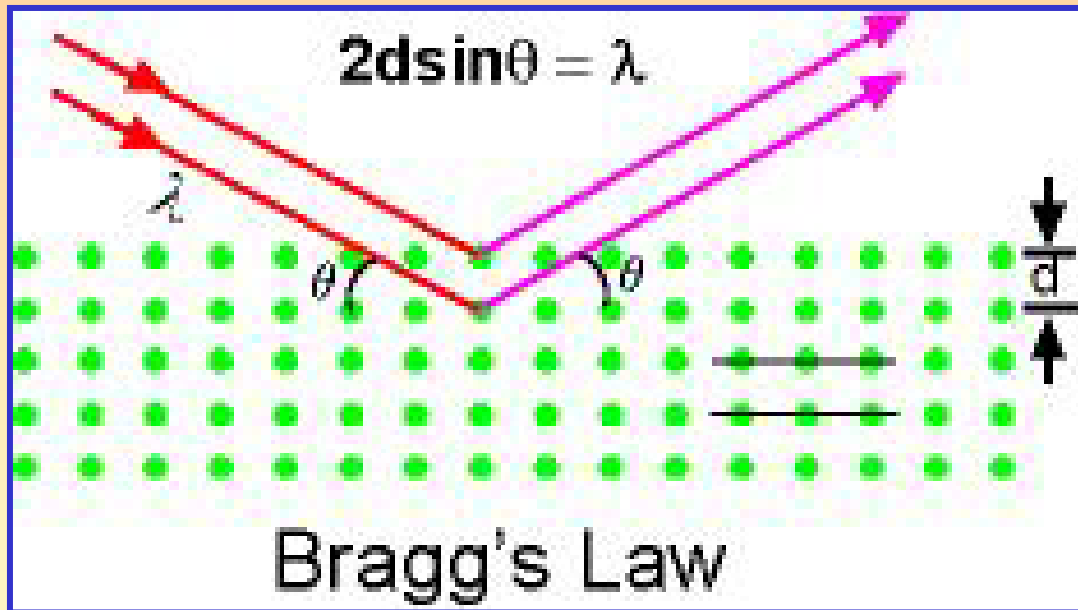
- **Study the structure and luminescent properties of other hybrid materials**
- **Explore the thermal properties of some of them**
- **Hopefully make the world glow through my materials**

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Bragg's Law



θ – the scattering angle

n – an integer representing the order of the diffraction

d - distance