# THE FLUX PINNING PROPERTIES OF YTTRIUM SUBSTITUTION IN Bi-2223 SUPERCONDUCTOR

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#### ABSTRACT

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This report present the study of flux pinning properties as well as the superconducting properties of Bi<sub>1.6-x</sub>Y<sub>x</sub>Pb<sub>0.4</sub>Sr<sub>2</sub>Ca<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O superconductor. The samples with varying value of Y (x = 0.00, 0.02, 0.05, 0.10 and 0.20) were prepared by using solid state method. The samples were characterized by using four point probe and X-ray diffraction (XRD). The critical temperature, Tc and critical current density, J<sub>c</sub> measurement were done using four point probe method without applied magnetic field. Pure sample (x = 0.00) was observed to have the highest value of T<sub>c</sub> and J<sub>c</sub>. The T<sub>c(onset)</sub> and T<sub>c(zero)</sub> for pure sample are 111 K and 97 K respectively. The J<sub>c</sub> value for pure sample is 1.590 A/cm<sup>2</sup> at temperature 40 K. The flux pinning properties were observed using four point probe method with applied magnetic field varying from 0.00T to 0.33T. The J<sub>c</sub>-B characteristic show that pure sample has better flux pinning properties compared to other samples and has the better peak position of F<sub>p</sub>/F<sub>p</sub>max in the magnetic field. The XRD pattern shows that all samples exhibit orthorhombic structure and peak at  $2\theta = 26^{\circ}$  is being diminished at x = 0.10 and 0.20. From the results, it is show that yttrium substituted samples reduced the superconducting properties and as well as the flux pinning properties of the Bi-2223 superconductor.

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