## CHARACTERISTICS DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PURE POROUS AND NON-POROUS OF Bi<sub>1.6</sub>Pb<sub>0.4</sub>Sr<sub>2</sub>Ca<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3-x</sub>O<sub>10</sub> SUPERCONDUCTORS

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#### **ABSTRACT**

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The non-porous (Bi, Pb)-2223 superconductor has of has high density, but low critical current density,  $J_C$  value which is able to allow more current flows through the material. So, the porous (Bi, Pb)-2223 superconductor was introduced to improve the superconductivity properties of the superconductor. The improvement can be made through the electrical resistance characteristics such as the critical current density,  $J_C$ of the material.  $J_C$  is the measure of the maximum current that can flow in the wire without a resistance in superconducting materials. The non-porous (Bi, Pb)-2223 superconductor has a high density, but it loses superconducting properties because of low critical current density. Therefore, it is important to find out the difference of nonporous (Bi, Pb)-2223 superconductor with the porous one. Due to limitation of time. only  $T_C$  is able to find out. The  $T_C$  of the samples was investigated using four-point probe resistance test. The experimental results of non-porous (Bi, Pb)-2223 superconductors show a metallic-like behavior curve pattern, while the porous one shows neither superconductor, nor semi-conductor, nor even metallic behavior probably because of the large amount of crystalline sucrose added into the (Bi, Pb)-2223.

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