## 第74回フロンティア材料研究所講演会

講師: Professor K. R. Poeppelmeier Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University 8月16日(木) 13時30分~15時 R3棟1階会議室にて 演題: The Enabling Roles of Hydrothermal Chemistry and Multiple Anions Leading to Noncentrosymmetry

Multiple or mixed-anion compounds play a key design role in the discovery of novel noncentrosymmetric materials with large second-order dielectric responses ( $\chi(2)$ ) that lack an inversion center. SHG-active crystals efficiently achieve frequency conversion to double the frequency of laser light to higher energies. One such material is the oxide-fluoride KBe<sub>2</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>F<sub>2</sub>. or KBBF. SHG-active crystals often have anions with aligned polar moments in the solid state. Therefore, to synthesize highly-efficient SHG crystals, a promising strategy is to use the polarity of the  $d^0$  early transition metal cations when they undergo out-of-center distortions (polar distortions) owing to electronic effects, specifically Second-Order Jahn-Teller distortions, and are displaced towards the oxide ligand(s) and the corner, edge, or face(s) of the anionic octahedra. The use of mixed-anions (oxide-fluorides) enhances the distortion of the anion as the metal-fluoride bonds contain less valence and thus creates stronger M=O bonds. Chirality is also an important concept in chemistry. Racemates are generally optically inactive due to the cancelation of opposite optical rotations from left- and right-handed enantiomers (racemates). However, specific arrangements of racemic units in the solid state can lead to optical activity and as many as one in twenty racemic compounds are potential optically active materials. For example, when considering the 21-noncentrosymmetric crystal classes, optical activity can be described as expected for not only pure isomers in the elevennoncentrosymmetric enantiomorphic (chiral) point-groups, but also for racemates in four nonenantiomorphic point-groups.

## References

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