

Synthesis of glass nanocomposite powders : structure, thermal and antibacterial study

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Abstract

The aim of the present study was to synthesize CaO·GeO₂ nanocomposite powders glasses. The sample were prepared to 1450°C°. To investigate the structure of the samples, Differential Thermal Analysis (DSC), X-ray diffraction and Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy were used. The main crystallising phase was found to be CaGe₂O₅ crystals. The molar ratio of GeO₆/GeO₄ groups increases with the CaO·GeO₂ molar ratio. Furthermore, in order to study the potential antibacterial properties of the materials the Gram-negative (*Escherichia coli*) bacteria was used and the diameter of zone of inhibition was observed.