

## Characteristic temperatures and microhardness of $(\text{ZnO})_x\text{-(AlF}_3)_y\text{-(TeO}_2)_z$ tellurite glass systems

### ABSTRACT

Glass transition temperature  $T_g$  and softening temperature  $T_s$  were measured by the differential thermogravimetric analysis DTA in the temperature range 300-850 K of ternary zinc oxyfluoro tellurite (ZOFT) with the composition  $(\text{ZnO})_x\text{-(AlF}_3)_y\text{-(TeO}_2)_z$  where  $(5 \leq x \leq 10)$ , softening temperatures  $T_{s(\text{calc})}$  and microhardness  $H_v$  of ternary zinc oxyfluoro tellurite (ZOFT) have been calculated by using ultrasonic velocities data. The compositional dependence of these physical quantities were discussed to understand the rigidity and compactness of the glass system studied.

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