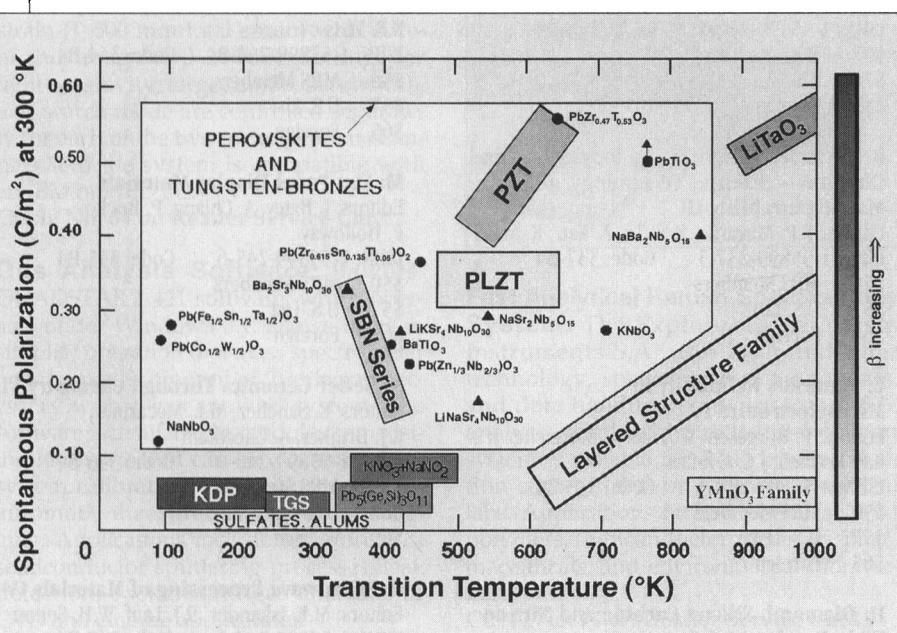


Spontaneous Polarization for Ferroelectric Materials



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Various families of ferroelectric materials can be seen in the graph of spontaneous polarization versus Curie temperature. For many applications, a figure of merit can be based on the polarization; processing or use considerations must take into account the transition temperature. T_c is the transition temperature, β is the Curie constant, d is the density, P_s is the spontaneous polarization, and C_p is the heat capacity. From *Ferroelectrics* 27 (1980) p. 220, with permission. Graphics by Mike Youngman, Sandia National Laboratories.

Material	T_c ($^{\circ}K$)	d (Mg/m^3)	β ($MV/m \cdot C^{-1} \cdot K$)	P_s (298 K) (C/m^2)	C_p (298 K) ($J/kg \cdot ^{\circ}K$)	P_s (T_c) (C/m^2)	C_p (T_c) ($J/kg \cdot ^{\circ}K$)
LiTaO ₃	891	7.45	0.71	0.50	430	0.36 (723)	430 (300)
LiNbO ₃	1483	4.64	0.91	0.71	640	0.67 (723)	640 (300)
BaTiO ₃	403	6.02	0.67	0.26	418	0.19	668
K(Nb) ₃	691	4.59	0.47	0.30	740	0.26	740
K(Nb _{0.94} Ta _{0.60})O ₃	656	4.29	0.54	-	-	0.18	792 (298)
K(Nb _{0.82} Ta _{0.18})O ₃	591	4.29	0.61	-	-	0.05	724 (298)
PbTiO ₃	763	7.50	1.00	0.81 0.50	360 360	- -	- -
PZT(95/5)	493	7.41	0.32	0.34	451	0.23	451 (300)
PLZT(8/65/35)	383	7.41	0.02	0.34	451	0.20	451 (300)
PSZT	450	7.41	0.40	0.34	451	0.20	451 (300)
Ba ₂ NaNb ₅ O ₁₅	833	5.65	0.57	0.40	403	-	-
SBN(60/40)	351	5.20	0.32	0.34	397	-	-
SBN(50/50)	398	5.20	0.08	-	-	0.11	397 (300)
KDP	123	2.34	79.20	0.05 (100)	305	0.03	368 (100) 3680
NaNO ₂	436	2.15	17.00	0.08	1090	0.05	1511 (403) 39300
TGS	322	1.69	30.60	0.03	971	0.02 (318)	1883
Rochelle Salt	298	1.78	50.40	0.01	741	-	-
Pb ₅ Ge ₃ O ₁₁	451	8.05	11.30	0.05	836	-	-

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