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Studies of Visible and Near Infrared Luminescence Properties of Rare Earth Ion Doped Telluride Glasses for Optical Communication

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Abstract – The rare earth doped glass was the most valuable commodity and since the advent of optical communication, has drawn a great deal of medical and technological attention. In this analysis the glass and then glass elements, the identification of glasses and of rare earth ions, the structural properties of tellurite glass and rare earth doped glasses were discussed, and rare earth ions were given optical properties.

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INTRODUCTION

Different glass meanings have been mentioned by various people. But in 1945, in the American Society of Testing Matters (ASTM, in its Spanish acronym) glass was described as "an inorganic fusion product, that had been cooled in tough conditions without a crystallization." Of course, it is a rather restrictive concept because other processes, such as solgel deposition and additives, may often be used to make even organic components glassy. Most scientists see the term glass as any non-crystalline solids which, regardless of their preparation technique, display glass transition / transformation behaviour. The United States in 1976 The National Research Council updated the glass descriptions according to which "glass is an amorphous X-ray substance, which exhibits transformation from a hard, comparatively brittle state to a molten/rubber-like environment, to a reversible behaviour inside amorphous matter). Any chemical, inorganic or metallic substance produced by any glass transformation technique is a glass. Glass.

Glass may therefore be defined as a uniform amorphous solid that lacks a lengthy range and periodical structure and has a time-related behaviour, called glass transformation activity.

GLASS COMPONENTS

The glass components are classified into three groups, based on their principal characteristics such as bond intensity and electricity.

Glass/Network Formers

These are the fundamental ingredients for the glass grid which, by melting and cooling, immediately shape glasses on their own without the assistance of other components. They have a cation-oxygen bonding strength >80 Kcal/mol and cations have strong electron-negative properties, with ionic bonds at 50%.

Network Modifiers

These oxides alter the network of glass network significantly when applied in limited concentrations (10 mol percent to 15 mol percent). Typically, these are oxides with a minimal load of big cations. They have the lowest bond intensity in the 10- 60 Kcal/mol range and are not used to shape a network, but rather for changing the structure. These cations are strongly ionic in nature and have very poor amounts of electronegativity. The choice of modificatory cation makes the glass ideal for usage in numerous areas such as optoelectronic instruments, cameras, ionic conductors in the solid state and much more.

Intermediates

Somewhere in glass formers and glass modifiers are these oxides. Their power bond qualities and electronegativity lie within the values of glass formers and modifiers. The intermediate cations will join the glass network and occupy glass formers' positions. Based on concentration, organizing amount and complex glass systems these oxides such as PbO and CeO2 serve as intermediates or modifiers.

CLASSIFICATION OF GLASSES

Natural glasses

It is possible to shape natural glasses including obsidians, pumice etc.

The abrupt spike in temperature induced by shock-waves, e.g. meteoric effects, shapes normal glasses. The kinetic energy of the projectile is partly transformed into heat that melts the rock at its impact point; the resulting fast cooling contributes to the creation of textile glass. The Lunar surface has a significant proportion of glass in the shape of small spheres, formed by the melting and fast cooling of the meteoric lunar rocks. Meteorites also produce glazed particles contained on Earth. Biological processes may contribute to glass forming, in some rarity; e.g., a large rod of SiO2 is made of the skeleton of some deep-water sponges

Artificial glasses

Many ingredients are used for the development of artificial glass. However, all the artificial glasses are worthless and only a handful have functional merit. The following are the principal glasses with the broad implementations.

(a) Glasses with Oxide

The oldest and most exploited industrially are oxide glasses in history.

They both produce a number of mono- and divalent oxides of silicate or alumino borosilate lenses. The silica-free oxide glasses typically have a low ingestion capacity and are used in particular applications only.

Silicate glasses

Silicate is the former archetypal glass with a 3D network layout. Silicone is co-ordinated by 4 oxygen and by the construction of a shared corner of the silicone tetrahedra each oxygen is co-ordinated with two silicon atoms. The Si-O-Si bonding angle distribution is the key element in eliminating the three-dimensional periodicity of the crystalline structure and is comparable with Si-O bonding distances in the glass and glass shapes.

Silicate glasses are adjusted in numerous ways with an injection of alkaline oxide, based on their alkaline oxide material. The interruption of the 3-dimensional network is usually expected to arise when alkaline accumulation rises. The transition contributes to the production of meta, pyro and ortho-silicates in the order $[SiO_{4/2}]^{0}$, $[SiO_{3/2}O]^{1-}$, $[SiO_{2/2}O_2]^{2-}$, $[SiO_{1/2}O_3]^{3-}$ and $[SiO_4]^{4-}$, which are present in these glasses and designated as Q^4, Q^3, Q^2, Q^1, and Q^0 respectively. The subscripts state the number of bridging molecular oxygen in the defined Si atom from which the bridging atoms in the glass structure is related to other Si atoms.

Borate glasses

Borate glasses have been extensively studied but are primarily in conjunction with silicate for their technical applications. B2O3 can be seen as the highest inclination for the forming of glass, as B2O3 moulds do not crystallize itself at a slowest rate except though it is cooled. Alkaline oxide first transforms into the easiest binary alkaline borate glasses the trigonal boron's ($[BO_{3/2}]$ units, B_3) to tetrahedral boron's ($[BO_{4/2}]^-$ units, B_4) by the coordination of O^{2-} to two trigonal boron's. The formation of B_4 units proceeds till the 50 % B_3 are converted into B_4. The composition in which B_3 and B_4 are equal in the diboride composition and the corresponding mole fraction of the alkali oxide is 0.33.

Germanate glasses

Germanate is another archetypal glass that shapes oxide with a similar structural resemblance to the composition of silicate. With alkaline oxide introduced into a geO2 network, however, the arrangement becomes harder by six-fold coordinated G atoms and over 20 mol percent alkaline oxide, converting it into a four-fold coordination with NBO (Non-bridging oxygen) creation. In several characteristics of Alkali German glasses, which have anomalous differences, the creation of octahedral coordinate Ge atom and change into the teteraral atmosphere has mirrored.

(b) Non-oxide Glasses

Chalcogenide glasses

The chalcogenide glass comprising one or more chalcogen components in accordance with the periodic table group components of 3, 4 and 6 (sulphur, selenium and tellurium). Their uses are infra rouge optics, xerography, fibre optics and x-ray imagery. An unbelievably vast number of glasses have been synthesized using both chalcogens and other elements.

The boride of Uranium (UB2), a uranium and boron alloy, is a very solid glassy, water-soluble boride substance. This approach is studied in order to immobilize and protect long-term storage of uranium-based nuclear waste. Certain endocrine-therapy applications can still utilize this class of substance since it may not be attacked by the form of radiation therapy in which radiation is implanted immediately at the treatment site and is permitted to stay for an extended duration.

Fluoride lenses of heavy metal

Strong metal fluoride glazes, like ZBLAN glasses made of ZrF4-BaF2-LaF3-AlF3-NaF, were mistakenly discovered by researchers at the University of Rennes in France in 1975. ZBLAN glass is regarded as the most stable, optical fibre-built fluoride glass. In various uses, ZBLAN optical fibers are used such as spectroscopy scanning, laser power source, lasers and amplifiers.

Halide glasses

Halid glasses such as BeF2 and ZnCl2 have long been identified.

Those glasses are obtained with the molten state simply by quenching halides. The Basic BeF2 and ZnCl2 architectures tend to be based on tetrahedral co-ordinated be and zn and halogen-forming bridges between tetrahedra. In conjunction with divalent fluorides such as ZnF2, MnF2, and PbF2 trivalent halides like AIF3, FeFs, CrFs, and GaFs are known for forming glasses. In octahedral fluorine coordination, trivalent ions tend to be present as MF6

RARE EARTH ION

Special electrical, magnetically, optic and catalytic features are the so-called Rare-Earth elements (REEs) in a special category of chemical elements. These are facilitators which can have a significant impact on the efficiency of sophisticated, integrated structures through the use of components made from a variety of alloys and compounds.

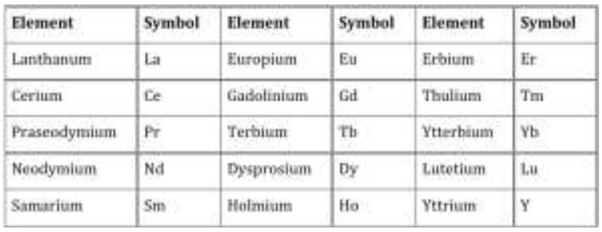
The International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC), in addition to scandium (Sc) and yttrium, describes rare earth metals as the 15 lanthanide elements (with atomic numbers from 57 to 71). (Y). Promethium, one of the lanthanide elements, is unstable and is not naturally present; Sc is often seldom found in combination with other rare earths. The industry usually talks about the 15 characteristics in Table 1 when talking to the rare earths.

The lanthanide components, because of their complex traditional phenomena, vary from the transformation metals and the other elements in the periodic table.

Lanthanide contraction, f-orbital electrons, incomplete emission shielding, harmonic generation, emission aster, dividing energy level, extending energy levels due to 4f-4f electronic contact, etc. Lanthanide contraction,

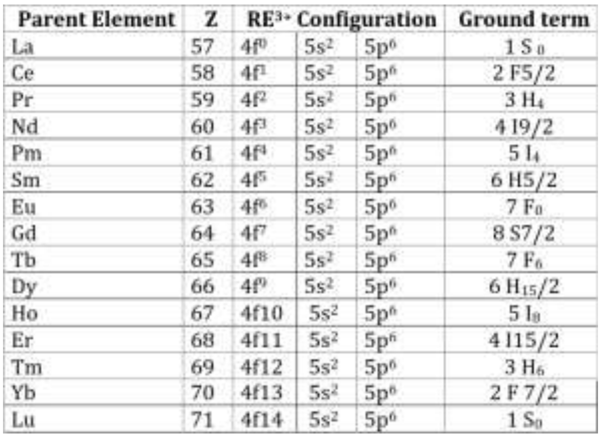
The rare earth ions ionize in the substance while they're trapped in any host matrix. The +3-oxidation status of all rare earth's ions is usually stable and some ions (Sm, Eu, Tm, Yb) are also +2 and +4 oxidation states (Ce, Pr, Tb). Table 2 provides the electronic structures and ground status of the triple ionized rare earth ions.

Table 1: The rare elements with their symbols.



Element	Symbol	Element	Symbol	Element	Symbol
Lanthanum	La	Europium	Eu	Erbium	Er
Cerium	Ce	Gadolinium	Gd	Thulium	Tm
Praseodymium	Pr	Terbium	Tb	Ytterbium	Yb
Neodymium	Nd	Dysprosium	Dy	Lutetium	Lu
Samarium	Sm	Holmium	Ho	Yttrium	Y

Table 2: The electronic configurations of triply ionised rare earth ions.



Parent Element	Z	RE^{3+} Configuration			Ground term
La	57	$4f^0$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	1 S_0
Ce	58	$4f^1$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	2 F5/2
Pr	59	$4f^2$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	3 H_4
Nd	60	$4f^3$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	4 I9/2
Pm	61	$4f^4$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	5 I_4
Sm	62	$4f^5$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	6 H5/2
Eu	63	$4f^6$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	7 F_0
Gd	64	$4f^7$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	8 S7/2
Tb	65	$4f^8$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	7 F_6
Dy	66	$4f^9$	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	6 $H_{15}/2$
Ho	67	4f10	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	5 I_8
Er	68	4f11	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	4 I15/2
Tm	69	4f12	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	3 H_6
Yb	70	4f13	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	2 F 7/2
Lu	71	4f14	$5s^2$	$5p^6$	1 S_0

The Xe heart, an unfulfilled 4f shell and certain external shells screen the 4f shell of the external troubling stimuli are properties of all lanthanide ions. This screening effect prevents the electron from the outside of the crystal-field and gives the lanthanides their sharp, well-defined and recognizable spectral features.

TELLURITE GLASS

Tellurite glasses are nanocrystalline solids which have various uses in photonics and can be worked through a broad variety of compositions. For more than 150 years Tellurite glasses have also been studied but later models have been made with purities exceeding 98.5%. Their low deposition and lack of hygroscopic properties characterize tellurite glasses which have restricted the usage and created widespread interest in photonics and the related technology of phosphate and borate glasses. They also have a high density and a low temperature for transfer. They display relative refractive indicators, high non-linear refractive indexing, high dielectric constant, strong chemical stability and widespread propagation (IR) in infrared (1-6 µm), amongst their optical characteristics.

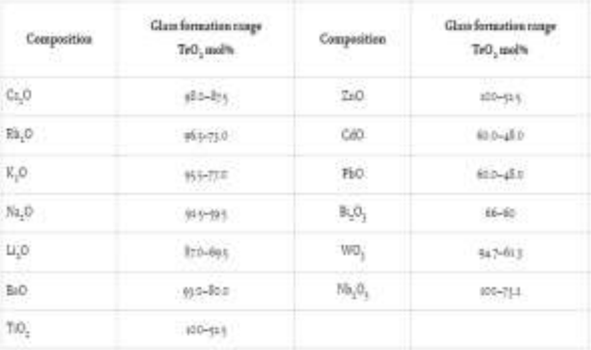
The first experiments on formation and structure of tellurite glass were published by Stanworth in 1952. The key raw material is TeO2, which was relatively costly at the time, and thus the tellurite glass was deemed to have poor functional value and was not researched further. In terms of advancing the optical and physical properties of modern tellurite glasses and their molecular composition and connective properties substantial development has been made from the late 1980s to the mid-1990s.

Initial experiments were focused on erbium-doped tellurite fibres in glass-based large-band fibre amps. The key factor was its comparatively broadband benefit, which led it to draw a lot of interest from research, which remains to this day. Many university-based academic organizations and manufacturing corporation's world class have now studied and rapid progress has been made in exploring the value of tellurite glass for use in fibres. The composition, structure and thermal stability of tellurite glasses are taken into account in this section.

Composition of tellurite glass

If used in binary configurations with other materials, selection of tellurite glass components is very critical. It has a strong effect on glass-forming, thermal stability, refractive index, concentrations of rare earth ion doping and spectral properties. Table 3 lists the TeO2 formation spectrum in several binary tellurite glass systems. Table3 shows that TeO2 exhibits the largest glass formation range in the case of the three binary systems TeO2-ZnO (100–52 mol%), TeO2-WO3 (94.7–61.3 mol%), and TeO2-TiO2 (100–52 mol%).

Table 3: The formation range of binary system tellurite glass.



Composition	Glass formation range TeO_2, mol%	Composition	Glass formation range TeO_2, mol%
Cs_2O	98.0–87.5	ZnO	100–52.5
Rb_2O	96.5–73.0	CdO	60.0–48.0
K_2O	95.5–77.0	PbO	60.0–48.0
Na_2O	91.5–79.5	Bi_2O_3	66–60
Li_2O	87.0–69.5	WO_3	94.7–61.3
BaO	93.0–80.0	Nb_2O_5	100–71.4
TiO_2	100–92.5		

STRUCTURE OF TELLURITE GLASSES

Early analysis has reportedly suggested that TeO4 double triangular bipyramids (tbp's) were part of pure tellurite glass molecules. The one Te atom in this polyhedron has four oxygen atoms, two of which Oeq are equatorial and the other two oxygen Oax are axially located. The atom is one Te atom. Te atom is bound to Te-O-Te by Oax or Oeq, and on the equatorial plane an apex of the tetrahedron remains unoccupied by oxygen atoms and occupied by the lonely electron pair. This particular configuration of the polyhedral and the chemical bond was different from the typical glass-forming bodies (B2O3, SiO2, GeO2, and P2O5), which defined the characteristics of the telurite structure.

Some scholars used numerous methods for testing tellurite glass research and analysis, especially binary system tellurite. The researchers considered that TeO4 double triangular bipyramids (tbp) and TeO3 triangular pyramids (bp's) were the major structural units of tellurite glass. Researcher in 1995

The first study of neutron diffraction on lithium tellurite glass revealed a deformed double triangular pyramid TeO3+1 in the glass network besides the TeO4 structural unit. One Te-O bond was even longer than the other three. The structure of Tellurite glasses can be observed and evaluated depending on the structure of Tellurite glasses of the same composition, owing to the short-range resembled configurations between glass and crystal. Researcher the Raman continuum was contrasted with alkali tellurite, plain tellurite and alkaline tellurite. The resulting Raman spectrum was deemed to match structural glass components. The two triangular bipyramids TeO4s (tbp's) eventually were converted to a triangular TeO3 (bp's) pyramid by TeO3+1. Researcher use Raman spectroscopy to research shifts in the temperature of the tellurite glass structure. The general laws may be listed as follows in the above research:

Two forms of structural units comprising a tellurite glass network were commonly considered. One was the dual pyramid of TeO4 (tbp) with the Te atoms organized as a 4 ligand and the other was the triangular pyramid of TeO3 (bp) with the Te atoms coordinated by three. In alcali tellurite crystals it was considered that, as seen in Figure 1(a-e), there are usually five forms of structural units. In Figure 1, the number of bridge oxygen molecules in the [TeO4] group is Qnm and m reflects the number of covalent contacts. Study on the distribution in tellurite glass of many structural units (a–e) has been an important focal point for this field of science.

The initial glass network system was broken when an alkaline oxide or an alkaline earth metal oxide was applied to tellurite glass as a network modifier. The dual triangular TeO4 (tbp's) pyramid was eventually translated to triangular TeO3 (bp's) TeO3+1 pyramid. The TeO2-MO1/2 binary Structure was investigated and consideration of the glass consisting of two triangular pyramids, TeO4 (tbps), and TeO3+1 polyhedron, was present when the alkaline metal oxide content was poor. With the alkaline content below 20 mol%, TeO3+1 polyhedral are increased as metal oxides increased. With the alkaline content increased. As the alkaline content of 20-30 mol% was, in the glass network structure, triangular TeO3 (bp's) pyramids, with a non-bridged bond of oxygen, were present and the amount of TeO4 (tbp) and TeO3+1 was thus reduced. The Te2O52− polyhedron was formed into the network structure when the alkali metal oxide content was above 30% mol. As metal oxide amounts were higher than 50 mol percent, TeO3 (bp's), teO3+1 polyhedron, and isolated Te2O52− and TeO32− were known to be the glass network framework at present. The amount of TeO4 in the glass was then very limited and the composition of the glass was very complicated.

The composition of tellurite glass also depends on the temperature. For instance, the double triangular pyramid TeO4 (tbp's) can also be translated into a triangular TeO3 pyramid as the temperature for glass eventually rose and surpassed the melting temperature. This is partly attributed to te-fact oax's that the structural transformation mechanism is seen by a fracturing at an elevated temperature

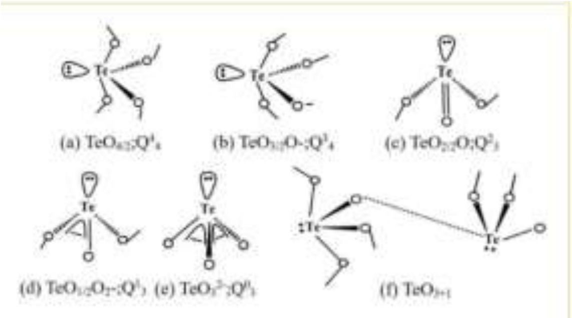


Figure 1: (a–e) Five basic structural units in alkali tellurite crystals. (f) Deformed bi triangular cone TeO3+1.

IMPORTANCE OF RARE EARTH DOPED GLASSES

The rare earth doped glasses have become the most important commodity and with the advent of solid-state lasers have drawn a lot of science and technical attention. The line exposure of rare earth ions in the optical emission and absorption spectrums as doping in glass is far higher in glass than in crystals because of structural disruption in glasses. In separate fields, the manufacture of devices focused on rare earth-doped glasses was very successful. Lasers, fibres, solar cells, nuclear, biomedical and operative fields, sensor ranges, etc.

Since Researcher demonstrated the doped glass laser (Nd3+), a larger amount of concern in producing glass lasers was taken into account. In near-ultraviolet, observable and near-infrared electromagnetic spectrum fields, several rare earth ions subsequently displayed laser transformations.

Researchers also recorded the first lasing in a multi-component fibre with amplification. The Nd3+ and Er3+ doped low-loss silica multimode and single-mode fibres have been produced. Passive integrated optical modules with low cost and low propagation loss are presumed to be well-suited host materials. The doped lanthanide glass waveguide may be a very unique way of producing laser devices that are more lightweight and effective than doped lanthanide fibres. The laser and the amplifier have gained tremendous consideration in neodymium and erbium doped wave guide, so they can be applied not only in 1.3 µm and 1.5 µm optical amplification but also in secure, highly efficient laser sources. Researchers also documented advances in Nd3+ and Er3+ glass-doped lasers and amplifiers. Several workers have been recorded on the amplification features of Pr3+ doped glass fibres in the 1.3 µm area.

Rare earth ion doped glasses have numerous uses in photonics such as frequency upconverters, optical amplifiers, laser radar secure for the ears, range detectors, etc. Other uses in high energy physics and in X-ray/neutron detection of rare earth doped glasses are found even in

Laser sources focused on rare earth doped glasses are commonly used. An optical fiber (Nd3+, Pr3+, Er3+) may be used in an application instrument either as a generator or as an optical signal amplification. Erbium emission at 2.7µm should be used for working tools in the biomedical fields in fluoride glasses. Lasers of around 2.0µm wavelength are eye-safe lasers and are absorbed before touching the retina. Laser light is highly absorbed by water at these wavelengths and does not pass beyond external tissue membranes. It may also be used for the removal of arterial pad, skin removed, teeth and cutting bone, and is also effective for coagulation of tissue.

As optical and temperature indicators, solid plastic with rare earth dopants is used. Doped with Er3+ ions, the up-conversion fluoridated and silicate glasses serve as temperature sensors. The maximum sensitivity and temperature resolution respectively 0,0033 K-1 and 0,2 K were developed for the green upgrade Er3+ in silicate glass. As thin film sensors for the identification of heavy metals (Pb2+, Cd2+, Cu2+ and Ti2+) in aqueous media, chalcogenide glasses have been produced. Doped with rare earth ions, optical fluoride fiber with low loss has contributed to the formation of thermal imaging, laser operations and infraround remote spectroscopy instruments. Inorganic glasses are an inexpensive source of scintillators for applications in particle physics. In the method of producing lasers of conversion, rare earth's ion doped glasses are used because of its possible applications in various areas, including optical data storage.

RARE EARTH IONS OPTICAL PROPERTY

The rare earth's optical properties include 4f the spectroscopic features of the system of energy level and mechanisms of rare earth's electrical transitions. The mixture of low ionisation and strong solving energy usually implies rare earth ions in +III oxidative status. For example, cerium (+IV) and europium (+II) are other stable oxidation conditions which result from a vacuous, half-full, or full shell of 4f. There is a decline of atomic and ionic radii for the Ln3+ ions in the lanthanide's series, that is, from lanthanum to lutetium. This phenomenon, known as "contraction of lanthanides," is associated with incomplete nucleus f-electrons shielding which results in increased nuclear load when f-orbitals are filled. The protection of 4-Felectrons by fully-filled 5- and 5-FP orbitals also gives the trivalent lanthanide ions distinct spectroscopy characteristics. In comparison to broadbands found for transition metal ions, the electronic lanthanide F-F transitions usually exhibit very narrow lines in the luminescence and absorption spectrum. Due to the marginal effect of shifts on 4f Electrons in the local atmosphere of lanthanide ion, synchronization can influence the fine absorption and emission band structure only. The absorption and emission band peak locations of rare earth ions are not important because of the marginal effects of the local climate. In the near U V, visible, near Infrared and spectral areas, Lanthanide ions may display pollution.

Electronic transformations arise through contact between atoms or molecules and the electrical or magnetic radiation portion. The selection law, which specifies that the transformations from electric f-f dipole are followed by a shift in parity, forbids electrical f-f dipole transitions. Electrical dipole transformations in non-centrosymmetric structures can only be caused by combining opposite-parity arrangements in 4fn configurations (e.g., 4fn-1 5d1) with the cryptic field potential (the contact between the electrons and the ligand field induces disruption to the lingo energy levels) or by vibronic interactions.

The electrons are covered by completely filled 5s and 5p shells in the 4f shell from the surrounding regions. They also have little part to play in chemical bonds between the lanthanide ion and the matrix (ligand). The matrix' effect on the optical transformations in the 4f shell is therefore weak, contributing to a sharp line-based spectrum close to free ions in both solids and solutions. If these transformations are intra-configurational, how can they achieve their power remained. The Laporte (or parity) law officially forbids them. By using a basic and instructive model of f-f transfer in 1937, researchers had been offered the problem and solved, and were partly allowed to move from electronic dipole by integrating configurations of opposite parity I e. Configured in 4fn-1 5d1 and 4fn.

CONCLUSION

Rare-earth-doped (RED) photoluminescence properties are a crucial factor in the creation of some optical devices, such as integrated optical amplifiers, whose features are essential to achieving a wide and flat band optical gain, which seems to be important issn potential communication systems. The creation of a variety of lasers, in both large and integrated optic formats, often includes RED glasses. Erbium doped waveguide amplifying devices (EDWAs) focused on Er3+ or Er3+ or Yb3+-doped glasses have been shown to have high outputs already: net gains of more than 4 dB/cm and 0,15 dB/mW in different oxide.

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