

## **Supporting information**

### **Temperature-dependent Structural and Spectroscopic Studies of $(\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x)\text{FeO}_3$**

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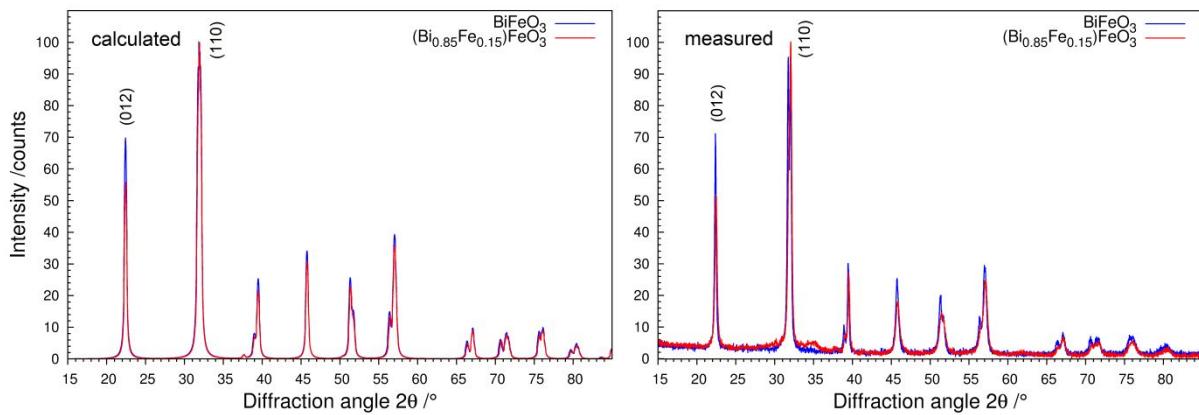
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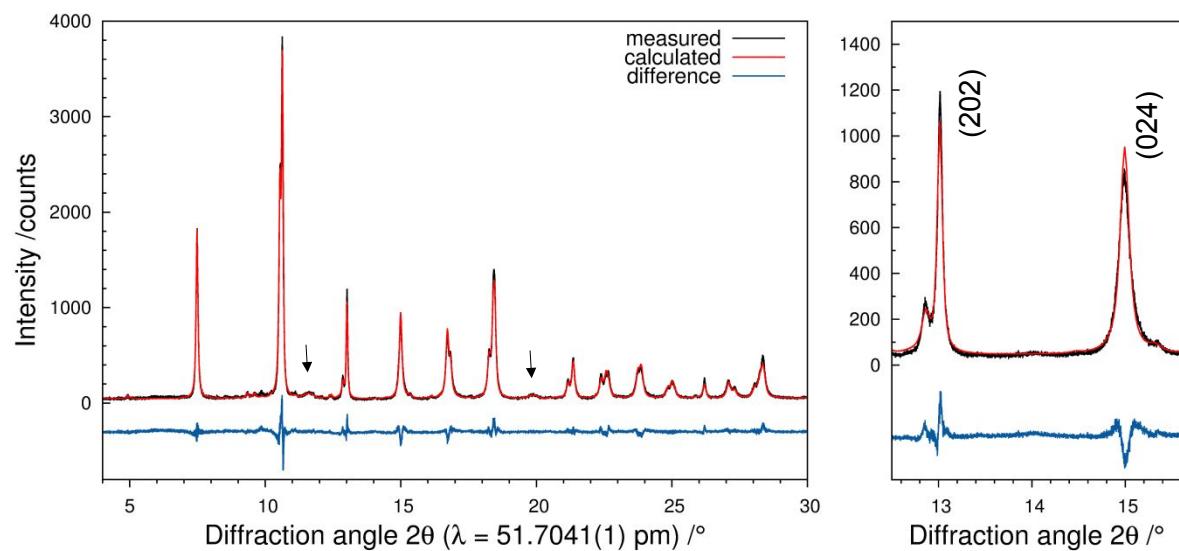
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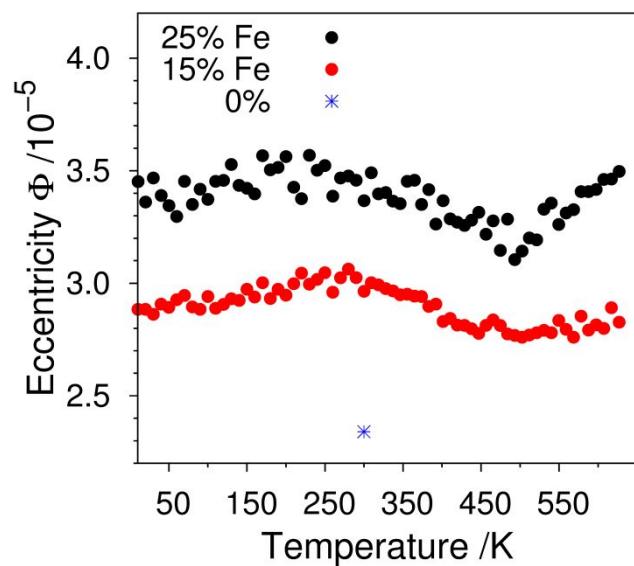
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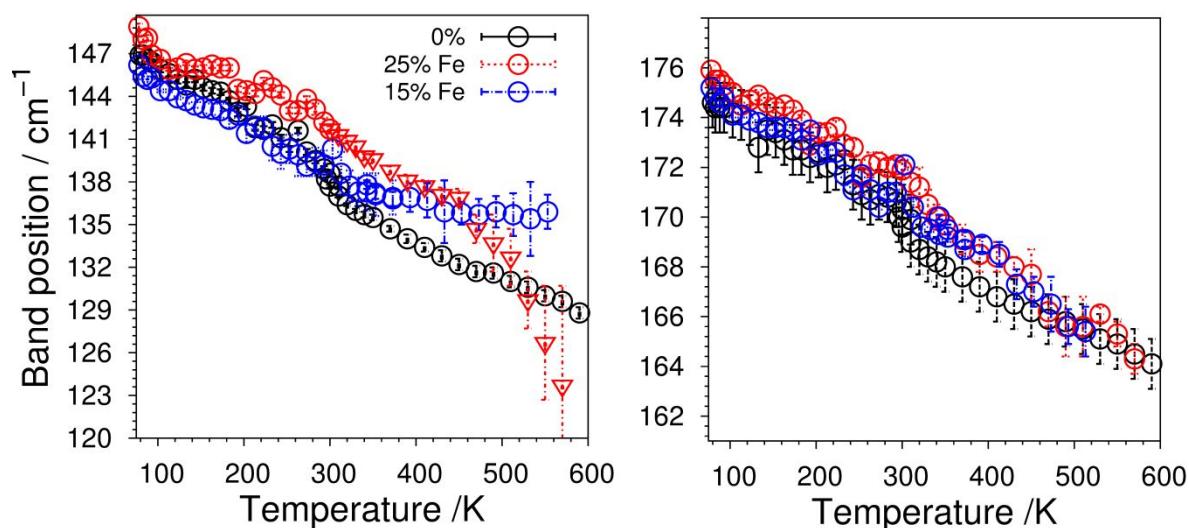
**Figure 1S.** Simulated (left panel) and measured (right panel) X-ray powder patterns of  $\text{BiFeO}_3$  and  $(\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x)\text{FeO}_3$ . The program POWDER CELL<sup>1</sup> was used for simulations and the data was normalized to the  $(110)$  reflection.



**Figure 2S.** Rietveld patterns of  $(\text{Bi}_{0.85}\text{Fe}_{0.15})\text{FeO}_3$  for the synchrotron X-ray data (APS). The magnification (right) shows the huge anisotropy of two neighbouring reflections.



**Figure 3S.** Temperature-dependent Wang-Liebau eccentricity (WLE) parameter of the  $(\text{Bi}/\text{Fe})\text{O}_6$  octahedra of  $(\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x)\text{FeO}_3$  and room-temperature value of the  $\text{BiO}_6$  octahedra of  $\text{BiFeO}_3$ .



**Figure 4S.** Temperature-dependent band positions of the  $E(\text{TO}2)$  and  $A_1(\text{TO}1)$  modes of  $(\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x)\text{FeO}_3$  for  $x = 0, 0.15$  and  $0.25$ .

**Table 1S.** Raman frequency of mode E(TO2) and A<sub>1</sub>(TO1) at 0 K (obtained from extrapolation of the low-temperature data) along with respective Grüneisen parameter ( $\gamma_i$ ).

Compound	E(TO2)		A <sub>1</sub> (TO1)	
	$\omega_{i,0}$ /cm <sup>-1</sup>	$\gamma_i$	$\omega_{i,0}$ /cm <sup>-1</sup>	$\gamma_i$
BiFeO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2</sup>	135.7	1.94	168.9	1.74
(Bi <sub>0.85</sub> Fe <sub>0.15</sub> )FeO <sub>3</sub>	141.7(1)	8.9(3)	171.3	4.6(3)
(Bi <sub>0.75</sub> Fe <sub>0.25</sub> )FeO <sub>3</sub>	140.9(1)	6.8(2)	171.3	4.1(2)

**Table 2S.** Elastic coefficients ( $C_{ij}$ ) and bulk moduli of BiFeO<sub>3</sub>.

Method	$C_{11}$	$C_{12}$	$C_{13}$	$C_{14}$	$C_{33}$	$C_{44}$	$C_{66}$	$B_R$	$B_V$	$B_H$	$B_0$	Ref.
IXA	207(5)	-	-	-	159(4)	30(1)	42(1)	-	-	-	-	[ <sup>3</sup> ]
LDA	249	-	75	9	160	44	49	-	-	-	-	[ <sup>3</sup> ]
GGA	203	117	50	23	129	31	43	96	108	102	-	[ <sup>4</sup> ]
GGA + U (3 V)	213	111	49	19	139	39	51	99	109	104	-	[ <sup>4</sup> ]
GGA + (U 6 V)	222	110	50	16	150	49	56	104	113	108	-	[ <sup>4</sup> ]
XRPD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	97.3(7)	[ <sup>5</sup> ]
XRPD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75(15)	[ <sup>6</sup> ]

IXA = Inelastic X-ray,  $B_0$  = Bulk modulus (Reuss),  $B_R$  = Bulk modulus (Reuss),  $B_V$  = Bulk modulus (Voigt),  $B_H$  = Bulk modulus (Hill average)

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