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**Structural properties and antisite defect formation
in monoclinic $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSiO}_4$ – a DFT aspect**

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Properties of monoclinic $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSiO}_4$, which is a prominent candidate for future use as a cathode in lithium ion batteries, have been investigated by DFT+U method, using GGA-PBE approximation, plane wave basis set and periodic boundary conditions. All calculations were performed in an antiferromagnetic state, which has been found to be energetically slightly more stable than ferromagnetic. Optimized lattice parameters and atomic coordinates have been compared to the literature data in order to verify the model. In addition, a particular attention was paid to the possibility of the formation of an antisite defect, which was introduced as the interchange between Fe and Li ions at both Li1 and Li2 crystallographic positions. The concentration of defect was varied from 0 to 25 molar per cent. Changes of structural, energetic, and magnetic properties of monoclinic $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSiO}_4$ upon increase of Li1-Fe and Li2-Fe antisite defect concentration have been analyzed and discussed in light of available experimental results.