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## Isothermal sintering of BZT ceramics

Starting mixtures of  $BaCO_3$ , ZnO and  $TiO_2$  were mechanically activated for 0, 5, 10, 20, 40 and 80 minutes in a planetary ball mill. The powders obtained were sintered isothermally to temperatures between 1000 and 1300 °C. The phase composition of powders and sintered samples were followed by X-ray analyses. Also, the changes in microstructures were detected using SEM.