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**ABSTRACT:** Single crystals of Diglycine Sulphate monohydrate (DGSM) have been grown by slow evaporation solution growth technique. The size of the grown crystals is 20x10x10mm<sup>3</sup> with the duration of 25 days. To identify the cell parameter, space group and planes indexing the grown crystals were subjected to single & powder XRD. The different modes of vibrations present in the crystal were identified with FT- IR spectrum. The optical transmission, absorbance, extinction coefficient, Reflectance and refractive index have been studied to find its linear properties by UV-Vis spectroscopy. Band gap energy was calculated to be 4.71 eV. The dielectric constant, dielectric loss and AC conductivity has been measured as a function of frequency and temperature.

KEYWORDS: Solution growth, Single Crystal, Characterization, FT-IR, XRD, UV

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### **1. INTRODUCTION**

In recent years, complexes of amino acids with organic and inorganic acids possess excellent NLO properties [1-6]. Amino acids are interesting materials for NLO applications, it contains an asymmetric carbon atom so it is optically active and most of them crystallize in noncentrosymmetric space groups. Also, amino acids exist as zwitterionic nature. Glycine is one of the fundamental amino acids and it has the non-chiral zwitterionic form. It crystallizes in six different forms viz.  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\epsilon$  and  $\beta'$ forms.  $\alpha$  -glycine has no asymmetric carbon atom and is optically inactive. It has been reported [7-10] that glycine combines with sulpuric acid, nitric acid, calcium chloride, calcium nitrate, barium chloride, silver nitrate to form useful single crystals. Many of the glycine complexes are observed to be non-centrosymmetric and showing nonlinear optical (NLO) effects widely used application in the area of laser technology, optical communication and data storage technology.

# 2. METHODS AND MATERIALS

Di-Glycine Sulfate Monohydrate single crystal was grown by slow evaporation solution growth technique. Solution was prepared by dissolved analar grade Glycine (Merk) and Sulfuric acid (Merk) in the stoichiometric ratio 3:1 in double distilled water and stirred well for 3 days using a temperature controlled magnetic stirrer to yield a homogeneous mixture of solution. The prepared solution was left to dry and the DGSM salt was obtained. The purity of the synthesized salt was improved by successive recrystallization process and filtration. The size of the crystal was 20x10x10 mm<sup>3</sup> and growth period was taken around 25 days. The chosen crystal was already grown in the earlier century [11-13]. The DGSM single crystal was shown in Fig.1.

## 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 3.1 Single crystal X-Ray Diffraction Analysis

The grown crystals were subjected to few characterization namely Single XRD, Powder XRD, UV-Vis Spectroscopy, FT-IR Spectroscopy and Dielectric measurement. In order to reveal the crystal structure, x-ray diffraction studies were carried out and data were shown in Table1. The unit cell parameters obtained. The abc values intersects the axes at hkl and  $\alpha \beta \gamma$  are the phase of the sample The crystal system belongs to Monoclinic with P21/c Symmetry [14].

### 3.2 Powder X- Ray Diffraction Analysis

Powder X-ray diffractometer with (Cu K<sub> $\alpha$ </sub> = 1.54056 Å) radiation to study the crystallinity of the grown crystal. This powder pattern is one-dimensional recording of the intensity of diffracted radiation from all the sets of parallel planes as a function of the angle 2 theta within the angular range measured. Finely and crushed powder of the grown DGSM crystalline sample was used for the analysis. Then it was scanned over the range of 10 - 80° at a scanning rate of 1°/minute. The intensity of the diffracted beam was recorded as a function of 2 theta and the peaks were indexed [15] and shown in Fig.2

## 3.3 Fourier transforms infrared Analysis

Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectrum was recorded using KBr pellet technique with a Perkin- Elemer RXI spectrometer. Fig.3 shows the recorded FT-IR spectrum of DGSM crystal in the range 400-4000 cm<sup>-1</sup> to identify the functional groups present in the grown crystal [16]. The Table2 was shown the frequency assigned to its relevant groups.

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Fig.1 DGSM Single crystals

Table.1 comparison of crystal data

Parameter	Reported	Present
а	9.717 Å	9.73 Å
b	8.481 Å	8.50 Å
С	13.474 Å	13.51 Å
α	900	90°
β	105.22°	105.78°
γ	900	900
Unit cell Volume	1071.4 Å <sup>3</sup>	1079.5 ų



Figure 2 Powder X-Ray Diffraction of DGSM crystal

Table 2. FT-IR Frequency Assignment

Frequency	Assignments	
3549.31	O-H Weak and broad band	
3015.97	C-H stretching	
1732.43	C=O carboxyl stretching with broad band	
1622.06	N-H secondary medium sharp band	
1473.74,1184.03	C-N medium sharp stretching	
1276.39	C-O stretch occurs	
1095	C-N sharp bending	
1014.90	S=O one strong band stretching	
852.99	C-C stretching vibration	
460.12	COO- Rocking	







#### 3.4 UV- Vis Analysis

Single crystals are used in optical applications [17-18]. Due to this, optical transparency and UV- cut off are important. UV-Vis transmittance spectrum of DGSM crystal of thickness 2 mm was recorded using Perkin Elmer-Lambda 35. UV-Vis DRS spectrophotometer in the range of 190-2600 nm was used for this study. The room temperature optical properties of the DGSM single crystals was measured and analyzed. The recorded spectrum of absorption (Fig.4), transmittance (Fig.5), reflectance (Fig.6), band gap energy (Fig.7), refractive index(Fig.8) and extinction coefficient (Fig.9) was calculated. It is observed that the Extinction Coefficient (k) increases with increase in wavelength (in terms of photon energy) upto the cut-off wavelength. The low value of is due to the weak interaction between the photons and electrons in the material. The refractive index value was calculated as 1.2 for DGSM.

#### 3.4 Dielectric Analysis

The magnitude of dielectric constant depends on the degree of polarization charge displacement in the

crystals. The dielectric constant and dielectric loss were measured using Agilent 4284-A LCR meter. The dimensions of the used samples were 2x2x2 mm<sup>3</sup>. Two opposite surfaces across the breadth of the sample were treated with good quality silver paste in order to obtain good Ohmic contact. Using the LCR meter, the dielectric constant (Fig.10), Dielectric Loss (Fig.11) and AC conductivity (Fig.12) of the crystals were calculated. The dielectric constant of materials is due to the contribution of electronic, ionic, dipolar and space charge polarizations, which depend on the frequencies. At low frequencies, all these polarizations are active. The space charge polarization is generally active at low frequencies and at high temperature. At high frequencies the energy required to rotate the dipole is less since all the polarization mechanisms are not operative therefore, dielectric loss was to minimum and which suggest the less electrical defects and the better quality of the grown crystal. The A.C electric field alters the equilibrium of the phonon system and the subsequent relaxation is associated with energy dissipation [19-21].



**Figure 10 Dielectric Constant** 

**Figure 11 Dielectric Loss** 



#### 4. CONCLUSION

The lattice dimensions were determined from the single crystal XRD technique and found that DGSM crystal belongs to Monolinic crystal system with noncentro Symmetric space group. The planes are indexed with the help of check cell software in order to find out the morphology of the grown crystals DGSM by powder X-ray diffraction. The presence of functional groups was identified by FT-IR spectral analysis. From the UV– Vis transmittance study, the band gap energy was found to be 4.71ev. The grown DGSM crystal was belonging to Space charge polarization with help of dielectric studies.

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