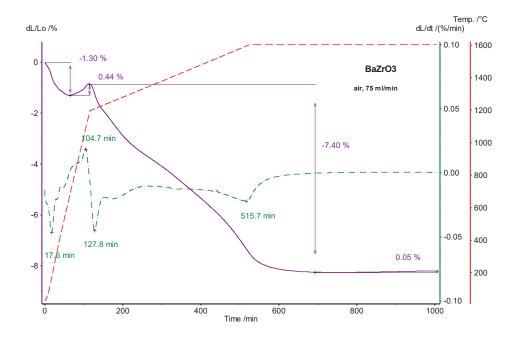


## BaZrO<sub>3</sub>

## Introduction

BaZrO<sub>3</sub> crystallizes in the ideal cubic perowskite structure. The melting point of BaZrO<sub>3</sub> is higher than 2500°C. It is interesting as crucible material for crystallization of

the high-temperature superconductor material group of the Y-Ba-Cu-oxides due to its chemical stability of paraffin in the solid and liquid state including the range of phase change.



## **Test Conditions**

Temperature range: RT ... 1590°C Heating rates: 10 K/min, 1 K/min Atmosphere: Air at 50 ml/min

Sample length: 3 mm Sample carrier: Alumina

## **Test Results**

A pressed powder pellet of  $\mathrm{BaZrO_3}$  was measured with the high-temperature dilatometer 402 in air at a special temperature program. After the binder burnout during heating to  $1000^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ , sintering of the sample started and was not finished after the  $2^{\mathrm{nd}}$  heating ramp at 1 K/min to  $1590^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ . During the isothermal segment, the sample length further decreased during 3.5 hours. Then, an expansion occurred most probably due to grain growth. The grain growth might reduce the density of the sample again and the isothermal segment had then to be stopped. With the dilatometer results, the sintering behavior can be studied and helps optimize the properties of the fired ceramic.

