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Abstract

In the work, we explored an efficient synthetic platform to purposefully fabricate different morphologies of NiCo₂O₄ by controlling the hydrothermal temperature. All the obtained samples were characterized by means of X-ray diffraction, scanning electron microscopy, high resolution transmission electron microscopy. With the increase of hydrothermal temperature, the morphology of obtained samples transformed from spongy nanosphere to ellipse-like, then to peanut-like structure and an effective blue shifting of Raman spectroscopy occurred. The magnetic measurements indicated that the materials transform from paramagnetic to weak ferromagnetic with the increase of hydrothermal temperature.

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1. Introductions

In the past decades, nanopowders and nanostructured materials have aroused

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