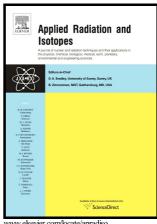
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#### **Abstract**

In this work, luminescent emissions of beta-calcium pyrophosphate doped with terbium ions ( $\beta$ -Ca<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>:Tb<sup>3+</sup>) were studied. The Ca<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>:Tb<sup>3+</sup> powders were prepared by precipitation and annealed at 900 °C for 2 hrs was applied on the powders to observe the beta phase. Radioluminescence measurements showed emission bands related with  ${}^5D_3$  ( ${}^5D_4$ ) $\rightarrow$   ${}^7F_J$  transitions of Tb<sup>3+</sup> ions. Three overlapped peaks at 126, 165 and 220 °C were observed in thermoluminescence response. A linear TL dose-response in the range of 0.2 Gy to 10 Gy and an acceptable TL reproducibility were showed by the  $\beta$ -Ca<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>:Tb<sup>3+</sup> samples exposed to  ${}^{60}$ Co gamma radiation. The TL glow curves were analyzed by Initial

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