

A new strategy for optimizing the microstructure and giant dielectric properties of TiO_2 *via* acceptor/donor ratio tuning

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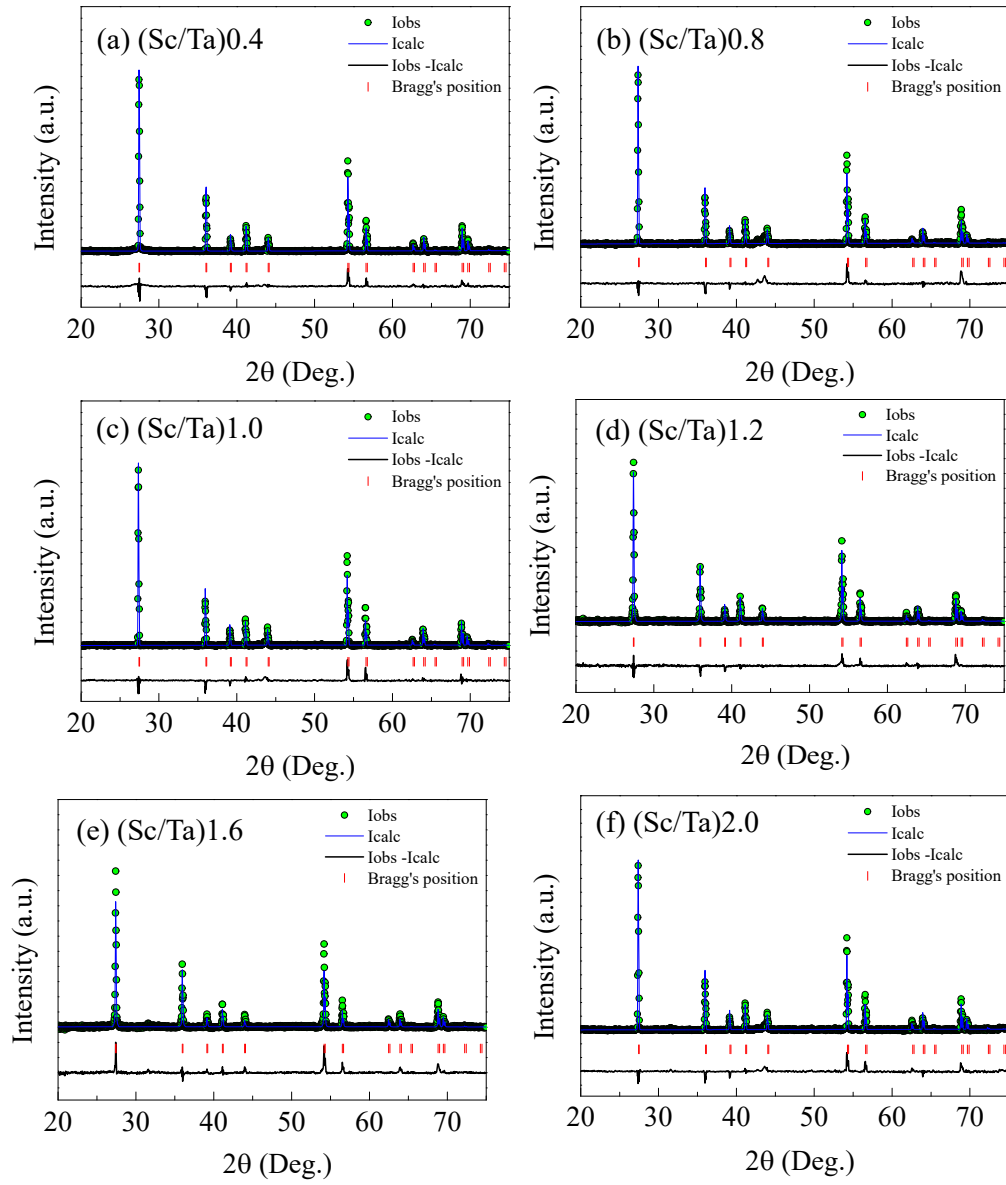


Fig. S1 Rietveld refinements for ScTa-TO ceramics with Sc³⁺/Ta⁵⁺ ratios of (a) 0.4, (b) 0.8, (c) 1.0, (d) 1.2, (e) 1.6, and (f) 2.0.

Table S1 Lattice parameters and density of ScTa–TO ceramics with Sc³⁺/Ta⁵⁺ ratios of 1.2 and 1.6.

Sample	(Sc/Ta)1.2	(Sc/Ta)1.6
$a = b$ (Å)	4.604	4.603
c (Å)	2.972	2.972
V (Å) ³	62.995	62.962
R_{exp} (%)	4.322	5.927
R_p (%)	3.541	3.923
R_{wp} (%)	5.280	6.159
χ^2	1.492	1.080
ρ (%)	4.36	4.42
Bond length (Å)		
[A–O] ₁	1.954	1.953
[A–O] ₂	1.987	1.987
[A–O] ₃	3.494	3.493
$\mathbf{A}_{(0,0,0)} - \mathbf{A}_{(0,0,1)}$	2.972	2.972

$$[\text{A–O}]_1 = \mathbf{A}_{(0,0,0)} - \mathbf{O}_{(0.19480, -0.19480, 0.50000)}$$

$$[\text{A–O}]_2 = \mathbf{A}_{(0,0,0)} - \mathbf{O}_{(0.30520, 0.30520, 0.00000)}$$

$$[\text{A–O}]_3 = \mathbf{A}_{(0,0,0)} - \mathbf{O}_{(0.30520, -0.69480, 0.00000)}$$

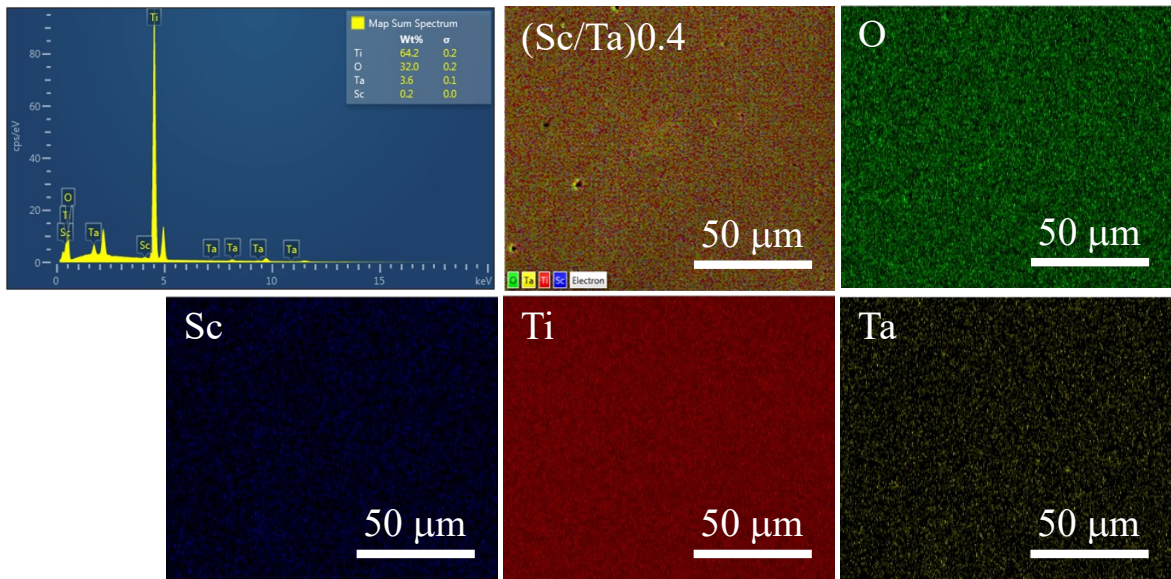


Fig. S2 EDS spectrum and SEM-mapping images of (Sc/Ta)_{0.4} ceramic.

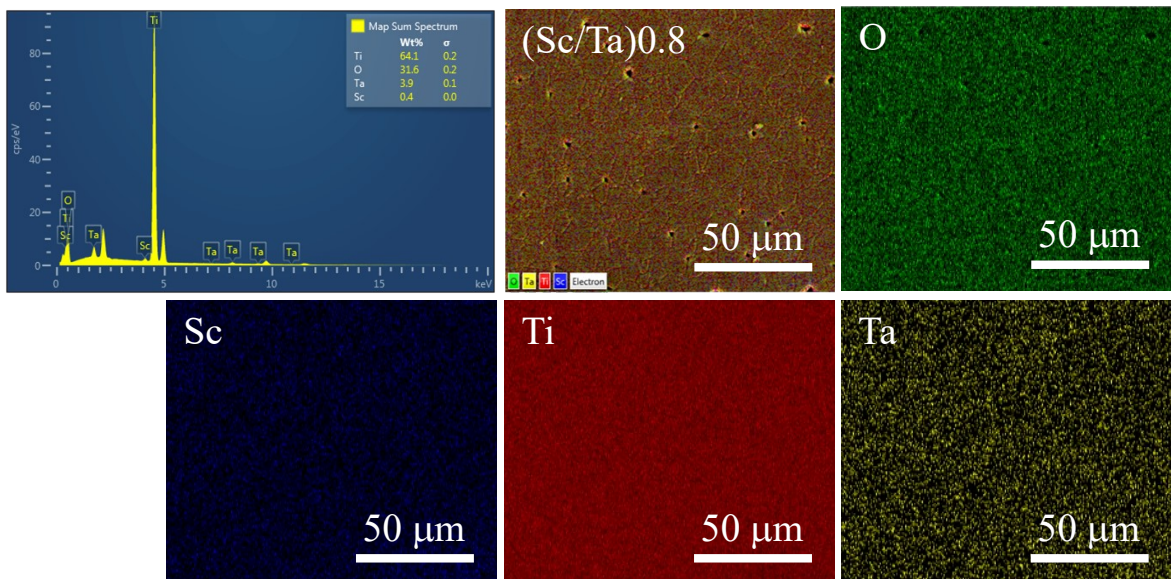


Fig. S3 EDS spectrum and SEM-mapping images of (Sc/Ta)_{0.8} ceramic.

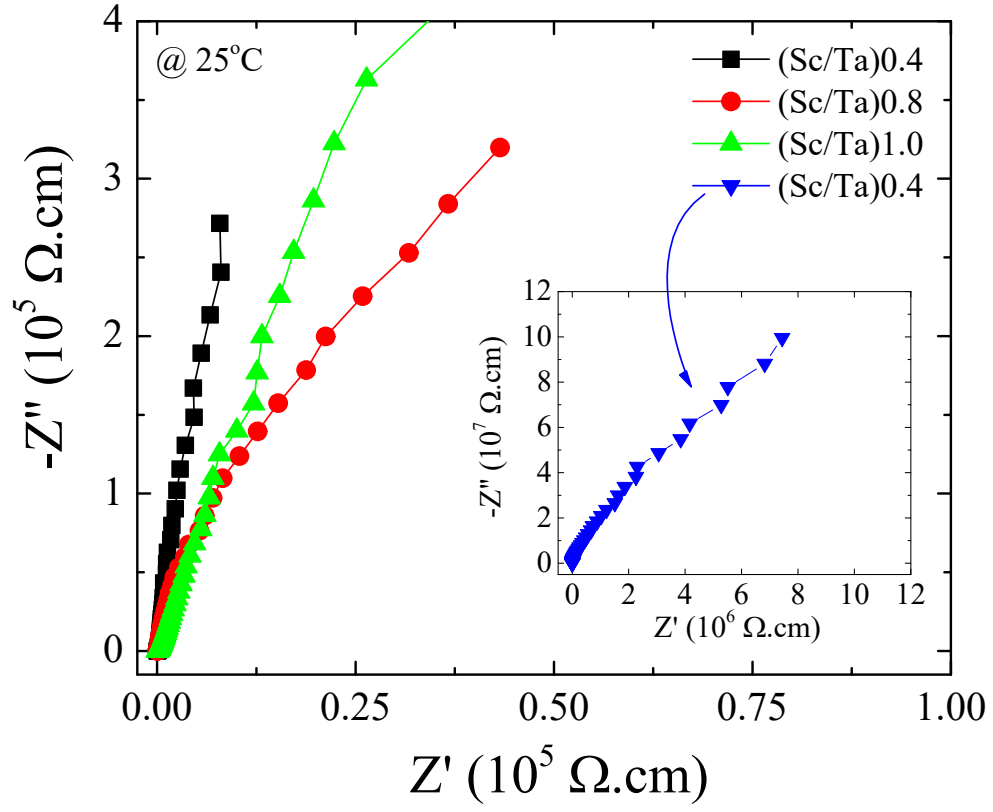


Fig. S4 Z^* plots at 25 °C for ScTa–TO ceramics with $\text{Sc}^{3+}/\text{Ta}^{5+}$ ratios of 0.4, 0.8, and 1.0; inset shows Z^* plots at 25 °C for ScTa–TO ceramic with $\text{Sc}^{3+}/\text{Ta}^{5+}$ ratio of 2.0.