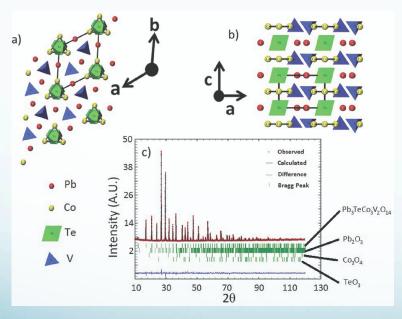
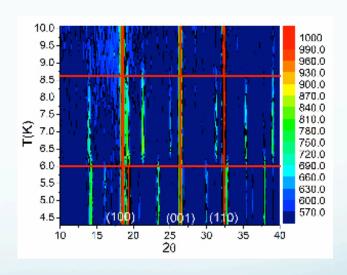
## New Multiferroics Based on 2D Frustrated Sublattices

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We aim to synthesize new multiferroics based on the  $Ba_3NbFe_3Si_2O_{14}$  structure, which is composed of 2D layers of  $Fe^{3+}$  trimers. By introducing  $Te^{6+}$  on the  $Nb^{5+}$  site we found that we can stabilize other transition metals on the tetrahedral Fe site and have recently discovered new multiferroic compounds which include  $Pb_3TeCo_3V_2O_{14}$  and  $Pb_3TeCo_3P_2O_{14}$ .



Structure of  $Pb_3TeCo_3V_2O_{14}$  shown from the (a) ab and (b) ac planes. XRD of the pattern is shown in (c).



Magnetic diffractogram from Pb<sub>3</sub>TeCo<sub>3</sub>V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>14</sub>. there are two magnetic transitions, as well as short-ranged ordering at high temperatures.

Next step – synthesis of new members with other transition metals.