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## Investigation of the structure and strength properties of ceramics based on silicon nitride obtained by cold isostatic pressing and sintering

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Ceramics based on silicon nitride are most commonly used in many fields of technology and industry applications primarily due to its unique combination of properties [1]. In particular it should be noted that silicon nitride based ceramics have high strength characteristics, hardness, thermostability, thermal conductivity and low linear thermal expansion coefficient [2].

Silicon nitride based ceramic obtained by cold isostatic pressing and sintering was investigated in this paper [3]. The average size of the structural components varies in the range 100–800 nm. Bending strength of the investigated ceramic is 280 MPa.

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