

Supplementary Materials

# Humidity Effects on Domain Structure and Polarization Switching of $\text{Pb}(\text{Zn}_{1/3}\text{Nb}_{2/3})\text{O}_{3-x}\%\text{PbTiO}_3$ (PZN- $x\%$ PT) Single Crystals

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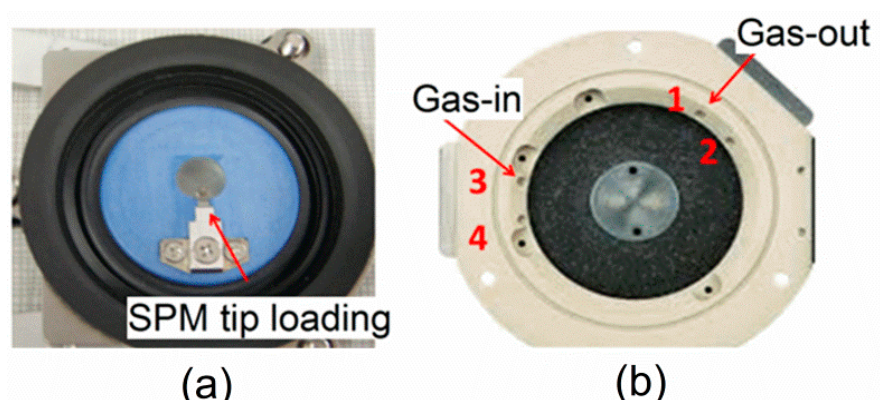
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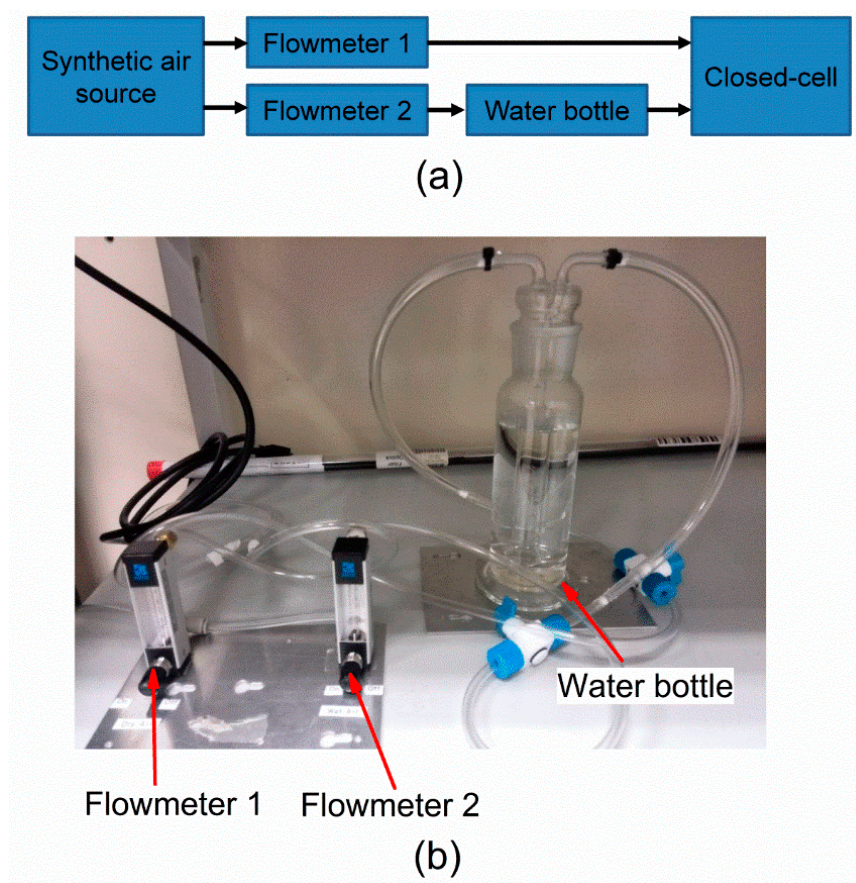
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In our experiment, a commercial Humidity Sensing Cell (Asylum Research, Oxford Instruments, Santa Barbara, CA, USA) was used to detect the real-time humidity. As shown in Figure S1, there are four holes in edge of the closed cell, 1 and 2 for dry and wet gas in, 3 and 4 are for gas out. The humidity can be controlled by dynamically filling the closed cell with different ratios of wet and dry gases.



**Figure S1.** Images of the closed electrical cell: (a) the top part; and (b) the bottom part.

As shown in Figure S2, the ratio of dry and wet synthetic air can be controlled by flowmeter 1 and flowmeter 2. By adjusting the flow rate, the relative humidity manipulation can be achieved. At the same time, an environmental controlling cell with a humidity sensor is employed to detect the real-time relative humidity during the SPM measurements.



**Figure S2.** (a) schematic of humidity control system; and (b) image of the humidity control system used in this study.