Table 2 Classification of Materials

	Metals	Ceramics/Glass	Polymers
Type of	Element or	Compound or	Mostly
Material	mixture	Mixture of	Compounds
		Compounds	
Type of	Metallic	Metal with non-	Nonmetals
Elements	Elements	metals(Or	
		Metalloids with	
		nonmetals)	
Type of	Crystalline	Ceramics =	Mostly
Structure		Crystalline	amorphous
		Glass =	with some
		amorphous	regions of
			crystallinity
Type of	Metallic	Ionic bonding and	Covalent
Bonding	Bonding	network covalent	bonding and
		bonding.	weak
			intermolecular
			forces.