Abstract

The increase in demand for clean and green energy sources has compelled scientists to work on renewable and sustainable power resources. Hydrogen possesses substantial energy potential but is too dangerous to use directly because of its extremely explosive nature, and its storage remains a challenge, which limits its use. One of the schemes is to store the hydrogen in compound form as hydrides. Using first-principles calculations, we studied a novel perovskite compound(s) in the form of XBeH3 (X = Ag, Cd, In). The investigated compounds; AgBeH3, CdBeH3, and InBeH3 were found stable in simple cubic structures with lattice constants as 3.42, 3.57, and 3.64 Å respectively. The ductility of AgBeH3 and CdBeH3 hydrides, as well as the brittleness of InBeH3, are consistently demonstrated by Cauchy's pressure and the bulk-to-shear modulus ratio (B/G). According to the study of their electrical characteristics, all compounds show metallic characteristics. The mechanical and thermodynamic stabilities were observed in the XBeH3 perovskites. The hydrogen storage capacities measured by gravimetric analysis for AgBeH3, CdBeH₃, and InBeH₃ are 2.54, 2.42, and 2.38 wt%, respectively. The temperatures at which AgBeH₃, CdBeH₃, and InBeH₃ desorb hydrogen are 413.4, 346.9, and 406.9 K, correspondingly. Our results indicate that AgBeH3 hydrides were found better for hydrogen storage among the family due to their better thermodynamic, gravimetric, and mechanical properties.