

INFLUENCE OF HYDROSTATIC PRESSURE ON MAGNETIC PROPERTIES OF (Sr,La)(Ru,A)O₃ FOR A = Cr, Mn

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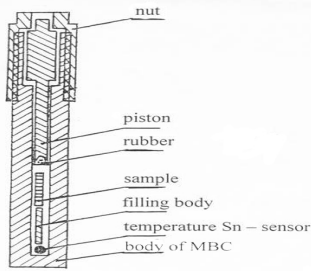
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SrRuO₃ is known as the only 4d transition metal oxide that presents ferromagnetic (FM) properties. Strong Ru_{(2g)-O_{2p}} hybridisation leads to an itinerant character of ferromagnetism in this compound. Different substitutions in SrRuO₃ result in remarkable changes of magnetic properties leading to a decrease (La_{0.2}Sr_{0.8}RuO₃, SrRu_{0.9}Mn_{0.1}O₃) and to an increase (SrRu_{0.9}Cr_{0.1}O₃) of Curie temperature.

The external pressure is a useful tool to tune the magnetism in these oxides due to its influence on structural distortion and consequently on Ru–O hybridisation.

The pressure cell used in magnetic measurements



Weakening of FM interactions with increasing pressure results from an attenuation of Ru–O hybridisation. The charge carriers become more localised and various physical effects may appear. In the investigated samples it was found:

- La_{0.2}Sr_{0.8}RuO₃ - antiferromagnetic coupling in Ru–O–Ru array
- SrRu_{0.9}Cr_{0.1}O₃ - lack of contribution to antiferromagnetism due to coupling between Ru and Cr.
- SrRu_{0.9}Mn_{0.1}O₃ - strong hole-doping dependence of magnetism
- SrRuO₃ - domination of strain effects

The $T_C(P)$ decreases for all of the studied samples. The $M_0(P)$ remains unchanged for most of the samples, except for the La_{0.2}Sr_{0.8}RuO₃ sample. The weakening of ferromagnetic interactions with increasing pressure was mainly related to the modulation of the Ru–O hybridisation by the change of structural distortion.

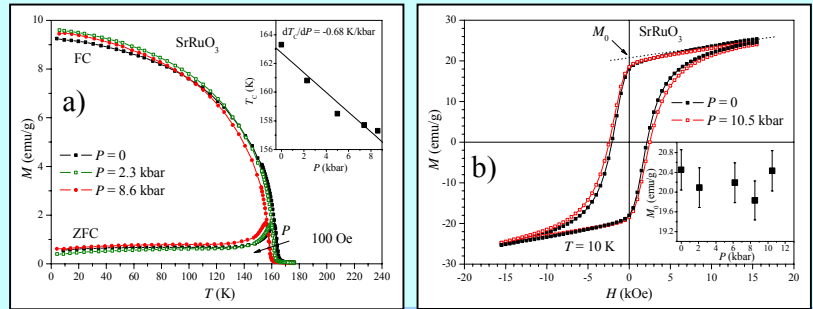


Fig.1. (a) Temperature dependence of M_{ZFC} and M_{FC} for SrRuO₃ measured at 100 Oe. Inset: pressure dependence of the Curie temperature. (b) Hysteresis loops for SrRuO₃ at $T=10$ K. Inset: pressure dependence of spontaneous magnetisation M_0 .

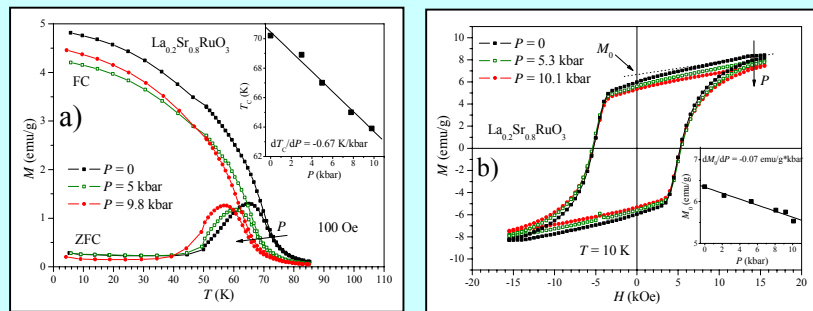


Fig.2. (a) Temperature dependence of M_{ZFC} and M_{FC} for La_{0.2}Sr_{0.8}RuO₃ measured at 100 Oe. Inset: pressure dependence of T_C . (b) External field dependence on magnetisation of La_{0.2}Sr_{0.8}RuO₃ at $T=10$ K. Inset: pressure dependence of spontaneous magnetisation M_0 .

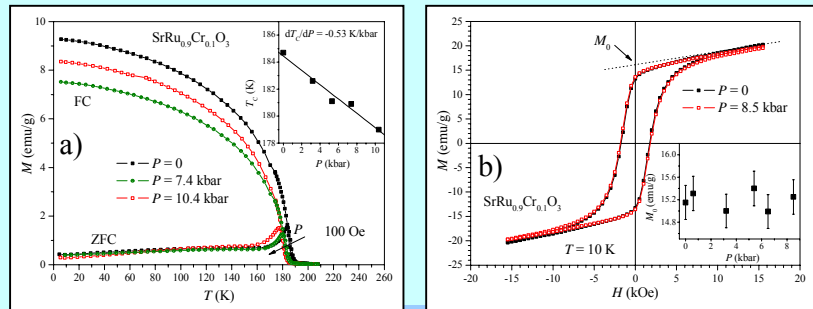


Fig.3. (a) Temperature dependence of M_{ZFC} and M_{FC} for SrRu_{0.9}Cr_{0.1}O₃ measured at 100 Oe. Inset: pressure dependence of T_C . (b) Hysteresis loops of the magnetisation of SrRu_{0.9}Cr_{0.1}O₃ at $T=10$ K. Inset: pressure dependence of spontaneous magnetisation M_0 .

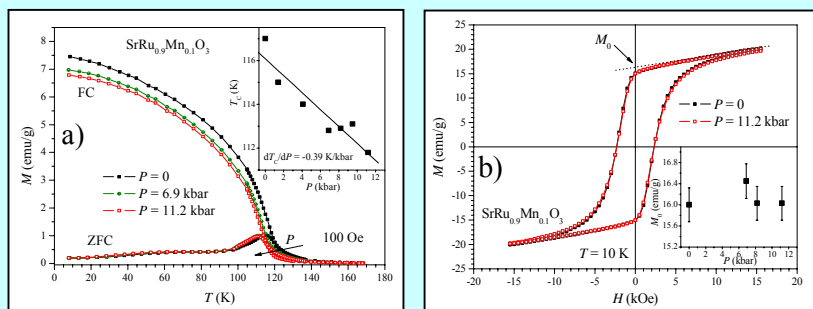


Fig.4. (a) Temperature dependence of M_{ZFC} and M_{FC} for SrRu_{0.9}Mn_{0.1}O₃ measured at 100 Oe. Inset: pressure dependence of T_C . (b) Hysteresis loops of the magnetisation of SrRu_{0.9}Mn_{0.1}O₃ at $T=10$ K. Inset: pressure dependence of spontaneous magnetisation M_0 .