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Bose-Einstein Condensation of Ni spin degrees of freedom observed from susceptibility measurements at high magnetic field in NiCl₂-**4SC(NH**₂)₂ CATALIN MARTIN, KENNETH PURCELL, TIMOTHY MURPHY, ERIC PALM, STAN TOZER, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, FSU, Tallahassee, FL, VIVIEN ZAPF, ALEX LACERDA, National High Magnetic Field, Los Alamos, NM, ARMANDO PADUAN-FILHO, Instituto de Fisica, Universidade de Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil, NHMFL, FSU, TALLAHASSEE, FL TEAM, LANL, LOS ALAMOS, NM TEAM, INSTITUTO DE FISICA, UNIVERSIDADE DE SAO PAULO, SAO PAULO, BRAZIL TEAM — The organic compound NiCl₂-4SC(NH₂)₂ is a new candidate for Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC) of spins system. Involving a technique based on a self-resonant LC-oscillator, we measured the change in magnetic susceptibility of NiCl₂- 4SC(NH₂)₂ in magnetic field up to 18 Tesla, and temperatures down to 60 mK. We have found the existence of two phase boundaries. One appears at $H_{c1} \sim 2$ T, where the gap between the $S_z = 0$ ground state and the S_z =-1 excited state is overcome by the Zeeman effect and the spin condensation starts. The other boundary is at $H_{c2} \sim 12$ T, where the system saturates. Our results on temperature and angular dependence of critical fields will be discussed in connection with previous experimental reports and theoretical predictions for BEC.

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