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**Disorder, Metal-Insulator crossover and Phase diagram in high- $T_c$  cuprates** FLORENCE RULLIER-ALBENQUE, SPEC - CEA, HENRI ALLOUL, LPS - CNRS, FEDOR BALAKIREV, NHMFL - Los Alamos, CYRIL PROUST, LNCMP - CNRS — We have studied the influence of disorder induced by electron irradiation on the normal state resistivities  $\rho(T)$  of optimally and underdoped  $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_x$  single crystals, using pulsed magnetic fields up to 60T to completely restore the normal state. We evidence that point defect disorder induces low  $T$  upturns of  $\rho(T)$  which saturate in some cases at low  $T$  in large applied fields as would be expected for a Kondo-like magnetic response. Moreover the magnitude of the upturns is related to the residual resistivity, that is to the concentration of defects and/or their nanoscale morphology. These upturns are found quantitatively identical to those reported in lower  $T_c$  cuprates, which establishes the importance of disorder in these supposedly pure compounds. We therefore propose a realistic phase diagram of the cuprates, including disorder, in which the superconducting state might reach the antiferromagnetic phase in the clean limit.

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