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Effects of Pressure on the Magnetic Properties of Prussian Blue Analogues¹ M.K. PEPRAH, E.S. KNOWLES, M.F. DU-MONT, J.S. XIA, M.W. MEISEL, Dept. Physics and NHMFL, Univ. Florida, C.H. LI, D.R. TALHAM, Dept. Chemistry, Univ. Florida — Prussian blue analogues (PBAs) have been shown to exhibit interesting magnetic characteristics under various external stimuli: charge transfer induced spin transition (CTIST),² a temperature effect; persistent photo-induced magnetism (PPIM),³ an optical effect; and pressure induced electron transfer (PIET).⁴ Our research has established that photocontrol of the magnetic response of CoFe-PBA, can be extended to higher temperatures, accompanied by a decrease in magnetization, using heterostructured PBA particles composed of $Rb_aCo_b[Fe(CN)_6]_c \cdot mH_2O$ cores surrounded by shells of $K_i Ni_k [Cr(CN)_6]_l \cdot nH_2 O.^5$ This effect is attributed to strain in the shell, induced by a lattice expansion in the core during illumination. We report a similar effect in the core-shells accompanied by PIET under application of external pressure and probe the similarities between optical and pressure effects.

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