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Energy-loss magnetic circular dichroism measurements of ferromagnetic ordering in LaSrCoO_3 ¹ AHMET GULEC, ROBERT F. KLIE, University of Illinois at Chicago, JOHN F. MITCHELL, The Materials Science Division at Argonne National Laboratory — Experimental results show that tuning the ferromagnetism of LaSrCoO_3 can be achieved at various temperatures by doping bulk sample with smaller atoms or straining thin film sample. In this work, we will use atomic-resolution Z-contrast imaging, annular bright field (ABF) imaging and electron energy-loss spectroscopy in the aberration-corrected JEOL JEM-ARM200CF in combination with in-situ heating and cooling experiments to examine the magnetic and spin-state transitions in $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CoO}_3$ ($x=0-0.3$) between 80 K and 600 K. Using energy-loss magnetic circular dichroism method, we confirm the magnetic ordering transition at room temperature with increasing doping concentrations. Differences in the O K- and Co-L-edges will be utilized to determine the Co valence of the samples. A magnetic transition is observed in 5% doped sample during in-situ cooling experiment to 95 K. Additionally, with increasing the doping concentration, a change in crystal structure is measured using ABF imaging, more specifically a distortion of the CoO_6 octahedra.

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