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Enhanced Multiferroicity in $LuFeO_3$ Through Sc Doping¹ STEVEN DISSELER, NIST Center for Neutron Research, YOON SEOK OH. RONGWEI HU, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Rutgers University, XUAN LUO, Pohong University of Science and Technology, JEFF LYNN, NIST Center for Neutron Research, SANG-WOOK CHEONG, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Rutgers University, WILLIAM RATCLIFF, NIST Center for Neutron Research — Hexagonal manganities of the type $RMnO_3$ are well known examples of singlephase multiferroic materials, but suffer from low magnetic ordering temperatures and weak magnetoelectric coupling making them unsuitable for implementation in devices. Recently, the isostructural ferrites $R \text{FeO}_3$ have been proposed as promising materials to exhibit greatly enhanced magnetic properties, including a much stronger coupling mechanism between ferromagnetic moment and ferroelectic polarization. Here we present a magnetometry and neutron scattering investigation of $LuFeO_3$ forced into the ferroelectric structure through Sc-doping. We find the magnetic ordering temperature dramatically increases relative to pure hexagonal LuFeO₃ and $LuMnO_3$, as well as an unusual spin-reorientation at low temperatures. We will discuss possible mechanisms for this reorientation and how it provides insight into the enhanced magnetic properties Limit of the $RFeO_3$ series.

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