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Superconductivity enhanced by Se-doping in Eu<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>F<sub>4</sub> PAN ZHANG, HUI-FEI ZHAI, GUANGHAN CAO, ZHUAN XU, Department of Physics, Zhejiang University — We investigated the negative chemical pressure effect of Eu<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>F<sub>4</sub> by partially substituting S with Se. The "parent" compound Eu<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>4</sub>F<sub>4</sub> is a new member of the BiS<sub>2</sub>-based superconductors. [H.F. Zhai et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 136, 15386–15393, (2014)] It shows anomalous Eu valence and superconductivity of  $T_c = 1.5$  K without chemical doping. With S/Se-doping, we found that a CDW-like anomaly is gradually suppressed to lower temperatures, and meanwhile the superconductivity (SC) is enhanced. For Eu<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>,  $T_c$  reaches 3.4 K. Magnetization measurements reveal an average Eu valence of ~ 2.06, which means that Se doping does not introduce extra electrons but instead, lowers down to a low electron doping level of  $x \sim 0.1$ . Therefore, the present system manifested itself as a rare example of existence of SC at very low doping levels.

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