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**Structure and physical properties of R<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> Pyrochlores**<sup>1</sup> RYAN RAWL, Univ of Tennessee, Knoxville, STUART CALDER, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, ZHIYING ZHAO, HAIDONG ZHOU, DAVID MANDRUS, JIAQIANG YAN, Univ of Tennessee, Knoxville — The spin-orbit coupling (SOC) in 4d/5d transition metal oxides is enhanced to such a degree, relative to 3d oxides, that it can alter the electronic structure and have a dramatic effect on materials properties. A good example of this is the SOC assisted metal-insulator transition in Sr<sub>2</sub>IrO<sub>4</sub>, which has been extensively studied in the last few years. In a strong SOC scenario, a nonmagnetic ground state is expected for systems with d<sup>4</sup> electronic configuration. R<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> pyrochlores, in which Os<sup>4+</sup> has d<sup>4</sup> electron count, provides a material playground to study the magnetism of d<sup>4</sup> and effect of R<sup>3+</sup>-Os<sup>4+</sup> interplay on the ground states. This series has only undergone limited studies, with the only published data investigating the lattice parameters and electrical resistivity at room temperature. In this talk, I will report our study on the magnetic, transport, thermodynamic, and structural properties of R<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> pyrochlores.

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