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Magnetic properties of  $Cr_3Te_4$  doped with transition metals: An ab intio study NABIL AL-AQTASH, The Hashemite University, RENAT SABIRI-ANOV, University of Nebraska at Omaha — We report density functional theory (DFT) study of the magnetic properties of  $Cr_3Te_4$  doped with transition metals (TM) (Co, Fe, Ni, V and Mn), TM ions doped in Cr sites,  $Cr_{3-x}$  (TM)<sub>x</sub>Te<sub>4</sub> (x = 0.5 and 1). We performed screening of the exchange coupling interaction and magnetization modifications upon the substitution of Cr by 3d-transition metals at various Cr sites in the  $Cr_3Te_4$  structure. Our calculation show that  $Cr_3Te_4$  has ferromagnetic coupling and large magnetization (Magnetization per unit cell is 18.24µB). Magnetocrystalline anisotropy (MAE) of this material is also large (MAE= 1.67MJ/m<sup>3</sup>). Our calculations show that the increase in interlayer spacing strengthen ferromagnetism of  $Cr_3Te_4$ . Doping with Mn increases  $Cr_3Te_4$  magnetization, but reduces the exchange coupling energy which means reducing Curie temperature (T<sub>c</sub>). We find that doping with 3d-TM elements decreases the magnetocrystalline anisotropy energies (MAE) of  $Cr_3Te_4$ .

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