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Giant magnetovolume effect in a cubic perovskite $Sr_{1-x}Ba_xCoO_3$ with competing magnetic orders¹ SHINTARO ISHIWATA, University of Tokyo and JST PRESTO, SHO YOKOYAMA, University of Tokyo, HIDEAKI SAKAI, Osaka University and JST PRESTO, TAKASHI KORETSUNE, RY-OTARO ARITA, RIKEN CEMS, YOSHIYUKI OGASAWARA, MITSUHIRO HI-BINO, NORITAKA MIZUNO, MASATAKA KINOSHITA, University of Tokyo, YOSHINORI TOKURA, University of Tokyo and RIKEN CEMS — Perovskite oxides with unusually high valence transition metal ions have been of great interest because of the unique magnetism inherent to the strong p-d hybridization. This is exemplified by the unusual helimagnetism in $SrFeO_3$ and room-temperature ferromagnetism in $SrCoO_3$. However, search for novel functions in these oxides has been hampered by the difficulty in growing crystals. In this work, we synthesized single crystals of a cubic perovskite $Sr_{1-x}Ba_xCoO_3$ by high-pressure and chemical oxidation technique to study the effect of controlling the p-d hybridization on magnetism. By magnetization measurements, we established the phase diagram [H. Sakai et al.], where a novel helimagnetic phase appears at around x = 0.35. To discuss this result from the viewpoint of the lattice change, we applied pressure on the heilmagnetic compound with x = 0.4 and found the helimagnetic to ferromagnetic transition. This novel pressure effect can be regarded as a giant magnetovolume effect, the origin of which will be discussed with showing the first-principles calculations S. Yokoyama et al.].

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