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Normal and superconducting properties of Co–doped BaFe₂As₂ and MgB_2 thin films after He ion irradiation LEILA KASAEI, MUSTAFA DEMIR, NERENDRA ACHARYA, Department of Physics, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA, PUSKAR BHATTARAI, Department of Physics, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA, VIACHESLAV MANICHEV, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Rutgers University, Piscataway NJ, YESUSA COL-LANTES, ERIC HELLSTROM, Applied Superconductivity Center, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, USA, TORGNY GUSTAFSSON, LEONARD C FELD-MAN, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Rutgers University, Piscataway NJ, XIAOXING XI, BRUCE. A. DAVIDSON, Department of Physics, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA — We have investigated the normal and superconducting properties of Co-doped $BaFe_2As_2$ (Ba122) and MgB_2 bridges irradiated at room temperature using a 30 kV He+ beam (ZEISS Orion Plus Helium ion microscope) and doses between 10^{13} – 10^{17} /cm². Our results show that the critical temperature of irradiated region reduces to <2K for doses $>3x10^{14}/\text{cm}^2$ for Ba122 and $^1x10^{16}/\text{cm}^2$ for MgB_2 films. All the samples show a consistent increase in the resistivity of irradiated region with the increase in the beam dose. Furthermore, irradiated Ba122 becomes insulating at high enough dose $(6 \times 10^{16} / \text{cm}^2)$ while MgB₂ remains metallic at all doses used. This result for Ba122 allows us to fabricate planar SIS Josephson junction in this material; RSJ-like behavior and typical critical voltages I_cR_n of 400 V are seen at 10 K.

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