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**Interrogation of  $Co_xZn_yNi_zFe_2O_4$  ferrite nanoparticles for insight into specific power loss for medical hyperthermia<sup>1</sup>** ZAFRULLAH JAGOO, GREGORY KOZLOWSKI, Wright State University, ZAFER TURGUT, Air Force Research Laboratories, EVGENY REBROV, Queen's University — Magnetic nanoparticles (MNPs) have shown to be viable candidates as heat sources for magnetic hyperthermia under an alternating magnetic field. The present work investigates heating characteristics of sol-gel processed ferro-magnetic  $Co_xZn_yNi_zFe_2O_4$  (ferrite) nanoparticles with different magnetic properties. The nanoparticles were irradiated by a radio-frequency magnetic field through a 5-turns coil using a 1.2 kW heating system with variable frequency in the 295-315 kHz range and a maximum current output of 100 A. Higher specific power losses were measured for nanoparticles that had lower coercivities. The advantage of having a high specific power loss for clinical applications is that a minute amount of nanoparticle has to be introduced in the body to adequately destroy malignant tumor cells.

| Name                              | Grain Size<br>(nm) | $M_r$<br>(emu/g) | $M_s$<br>(emu/g) | $H_c$<br>(Oe) | $SPL_{100A}$<br>(W/g <sup>2</sup> ) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| $Ni_{0.5}Zn_{0.5}Fe_2O_4$         | 48.7               | 2.85             | 47.5             | 42.2          | $84 \pm 2$                          |
| $Co_{0.4}Ni_{0.4}Zn_{0.2}Fe_2O_4$ | 46                 | 3.29             | 26.2             | 75.3          | $28 \pm 3$                          |
| $NiFe_2O_4$                       | 42.9               | 3.47             | 14.8             | 146           | $17.0 \pm 0.5$                      |
| $CoFe_2O_4$                       | 34.5               | 7.01             | 22.2             | 626           | $0.64 \pm 0.05$                     |

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