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Investigation of smart magnetic nanoparticles for the use in magnetic-field-induced hyperthermia treatment of cancer<sup>1</sup> MEGAN AL-LYN, Kettering University, PARASHU RAM KHAREL, South Dakota State University, PREM VAISHNAVA, RONALD TACKETT, Kettering University — The use of aqueous suspensions of magnetic nanoparticles, or ferrofluids, in the magneticfield-induced hyperthermia (MFH) treatment of cancer has emerged as a possible low-side-effect alternative to standard chemo- and radiotherapy-based treatments. Typically, superparamagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles (SPIONs) are used for their relative biocompatibility; however, their high Curie temperatures  $(T_C \downarrow 500 \text{ °C})$  require external temperature monitoring as the fluids can easily heat to temperatures well above the desired 40  $^{\circ}C$  60  $^{\circ}C$  therapeutic window. To combat this problem, we propose the use of strontium-doped lanthanum manganate nanoparticles,  $La_{1-x}Sr_xMnO_3$ . These materials allow for the tuning, through strontium doping, of the Curie temperature within the desired therapeutic range. The synthesis and characterization of these nanoparticles by x-ray diffraction (XRD), energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS), transmission electron microscopy (TEM), vibrating sample magnetometry (VSM), and magnetic calorimetry will be presented.

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