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**Structurally-driven Mott Transition in
Single-Crystal $\text{Ca}_2\text{Ru}_{1-x}\text{Cr}_x\text{O}_4$** ¹ T.F. QI, S. CHIKARA, O.B. KORNETA, S.
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We report results of a structural, magnetic and transport study of single crystal
 $\text{Ca}_2\text{Ru}_{1-x}\text{Cr}_x\text{O}_4$. Slight substitution of Cr for Ru drastically suppresses the struc-
tural distortion and reduces the Mott transition, but causes no parallel changes in
the magnetic properties. These phenomena suggest an unusual relationship between
Mott transition and magnetic ordering. The results will be presented and discussed
along with comparison drawn with other related systems.

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