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**Spin-glass** **behavior**  
**in Ni-doped high- $T_C$  cuprate  $\text{La}_{1.85}\text{Sr}_{0.15}\text{CuO}_4$** <sup>1</sup> A. MALINOWSKI, Institute of Physics, PAS, 02-668 Warsaw, Poland, V.L. BEZUSYY, R. MINIKAYEV, W. PASZKOWICZ, Y. SYRYANYY, P. DZIAWA, M. SAWICKI — We report the dc and ac magnetic properties of  $\text{La}_{1.85}\text{Sr}_{0.15}\text{Cu}_{1-y}\text{Ni}_y\text{O}_4$  ( $0 \leq y \leq 0.5$ ), investigated in the field up to 5 T and in the temperature range 2 K - 400 K. For  $y \geq 0.06$  the system exhibits irreversibility of dc susceptibility  $\chi(T)$  below  $T_{irr}(y)$  and a cusp at  $T_g(y)$  in  $\chi(T)$  measured after zero-field cooling. The decay of remnant magnetization with time is described by a stretched-exponential function. In accordance with the scaling theory, all the  $\chi(T)$  data for a given sample taken in the vicinity of  $T_g$  at different fields collapse onto two separate curves when plotted as  $q/|t|^\beta$  vs.  $B^2/|t|^{\beta+\gamma}$ , where  $q$  is the spin-glass (SG) order parameter,  $t=(T - T_g)/T_g$ , and  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the critical exponents. The temperature of the peak in the real part of  $\chi_{ac}$  vs.  $T$  curve increases with increased frequency according to the critical slowing-down formula. The obtained parameters do not exclude the presence of spin clusters. Variation of  $T_g$  with  $y$  is linear for  $y < 0.25$  and  $T_g$  extrapolates to 0 K for  $y \rightarrow 0$ , what strongly suggests that the SG phase extends into the superconducting region of the phase diagram.

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