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New tetragonal magnetic phase in (Ba,K)Fe₂As₂ ANNA BÖHMER¹, FRÉDÉRIC HARDY, LIRAN WANG, PETER SCHWEISS, THOMAS WOLF, CHRISTOPH MEINGAST, Institut für Festkörperphysik, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany — The recently discovered C₄-symmetric magnetic phase in (Ba,Na)Fe₂As₂² is a rare exception among iron-based superconductors, which usually display a stripe-type spin-density wave (SDW) ground state at low doping. We re-examine the phase diagram of the closely related (Ba,K)Fe₂As₂ in great detail, using high-quality single crystals and thermodynamic (thermal-expansion and specific-heat) measurements. We find a small region of a, previously missed, C₄-symmetric phase in the ambient-pressure phase diagram, likely related to an unidentified phase transition observed under hydrostatic pressure³. We investigate the remarkable interplay of the new C₄ phase with superconductivity and with the SDW phase by studying the electronic entropy and the effect of uniaxial pressure on the phase diagram.

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