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**Investigation of Low Temperature Non-Linear Magnetization Behavior in Al and Ga– Substituted  $\text{La}_{0.4}\text{Bi}_{0.6}\text{MnO}_3$  Manganites.** VIJAYLAKSHMI DAYAL, PUNITH KUMAR V, Maharaja Institute of Technology-Mysore, RAVI HADIMANI, DAVID JILES, Iowa State University, DAVID C JILES TEAM, VIJAYLAKSHMI DAYAL COLLABORATION — Low temperature magnetization measurements have been carried out for the samples containing Al and Ga at B-site in  $\text{La}_{0.4}\text{Bi}_{0.6}\text{MnO}_3$  manganites. The magnetization (M) vs. T(K) data shows strong ferromagnetic behavior with highest magnetization of 6.45 emu/g for  $\text{La}_{0.4}\text{Bi}_{0.6}\text{Mn}_{0.95}\text{Al}_{0.05}\text{O}_3$  and 5.40 emu/g for  $\text{La}_{0.4}\text{Bi}_{0.6}\text{Mn}_{0.90}\text{Al}_{0.1}\text{O}_3$  samples respectively for an applied magnetic field of H=100 Oe at T=20 K. Similarly at T=20 K for  $\text{La}_{0.4}\text{Bi}_{0.6}\text{Mn}_{0.95}\text{Ga}_{0.05}\text{O}_3$  the highest magnetization ( $M_S$ ) was found to be 5.44 emu/g and for  $\text{La}_{0.4}\text{Bi}_{0.6}\text{Mn}_{0.90}\text{Ga}_{0.1}\text{O}_3$  the  $M_S$  is 5.05 emu/g. The decrease in magnetization with both Al and Ga substitution produces magnetic dilution with increasing concentrations. Both Al and Ga substituted samples exhibit non-linear behavior in their magnetization ( $M_{NL}$ ) curves around 40–120 K due to the frustrations arising from mismatch in their magnetic spin arrangements. The quantity non linear susceptibility,  $\chi_{NL} = -M_{NL}/H$ , diverges as the temperature approaches the frustrated region  $T_f$  from above (i.e.  $T_C$ ). Further from  $d\chi_{NL}/dT$  vs. T(K) plots and critical analysis with unusual critical exponent's  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$  gives an experimental evidence for the observed non linearity and magnetic frustration.

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