

“Recent advances in magnetism at the nanoscale”

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Magnetism in nanostructures and applications

Nanofabrication y advanced microscopes





(ILL año1987)



Outline

- Introduction: Magnetic quasiparticles and spin currents
- Magnetic polarons in manganites
- Thin film multilayers and the emergence of new thermospin effects
- Magnetic nanoparticles as nanoheaters and ultrasound emitters
- Conclusions



Introduction

- Exchange interaction
- Magnetic quasiparticles
- Spin currents

Exchange interaction

Magnetism constitutes a unique scenario to study the condensed matter from a macro-meso and microscopic point of view

Macroscopic: Maxwell laws

Microscopic: Electrons Coulomb repulsion and Pauli principle

Intraatomic
exchange

Hund rules

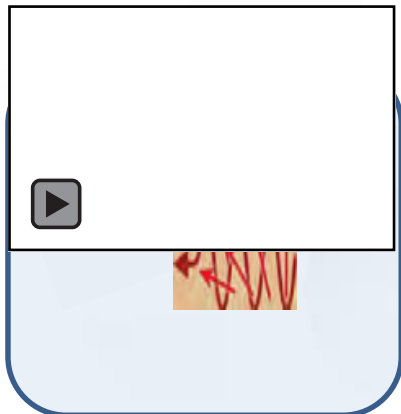
Interatomic
exchange

Long range
ferromagnetic order

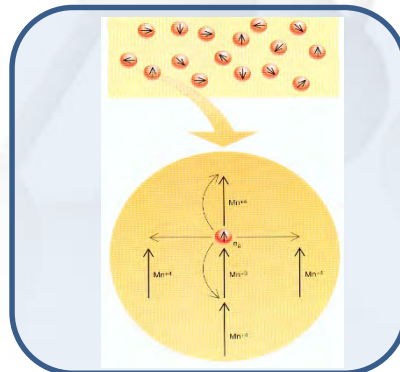
Going to the smallest: Quasiparticles

Magnetic quasiparticles: emergent nano-objects resulting from collective excitations

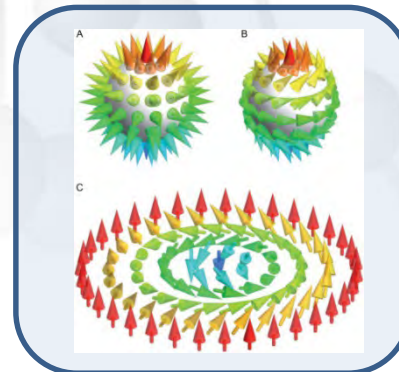
Magnon



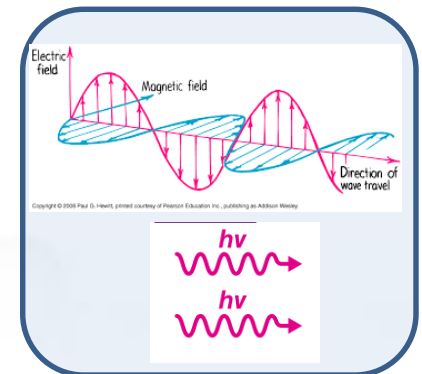
Magnetic polaron



Skyrmion



Photon



Charge and spin currents

J_c : charge current

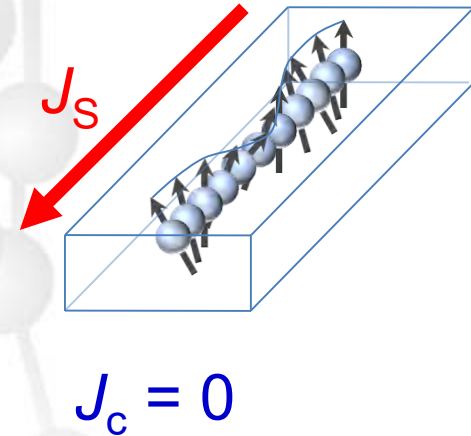
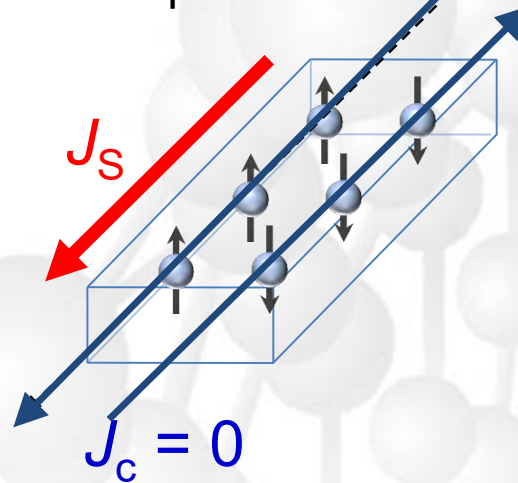
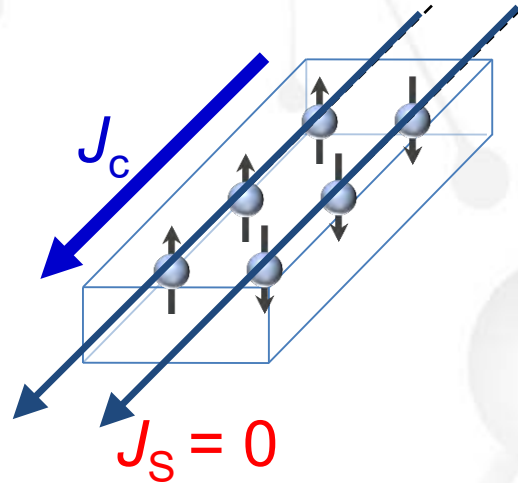


J_s : spin current



Conduction-electron
spin current

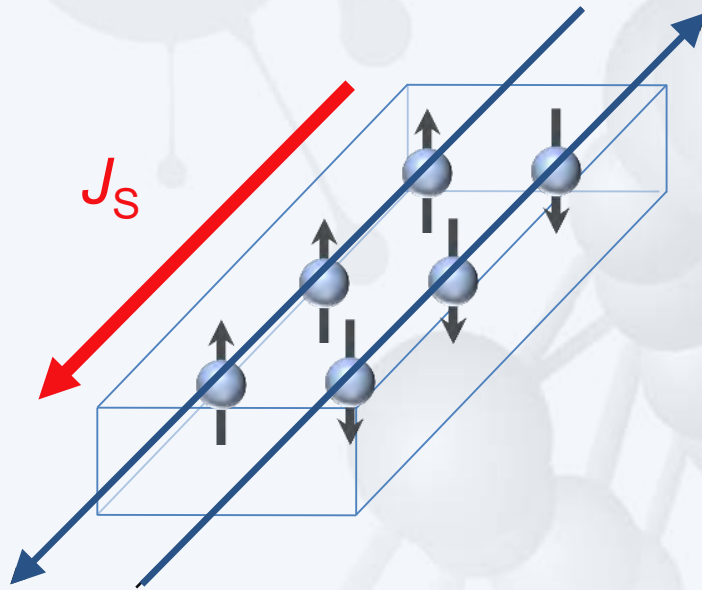
Spin wave (magnons)
spin current



Spin current: no Joule heating!

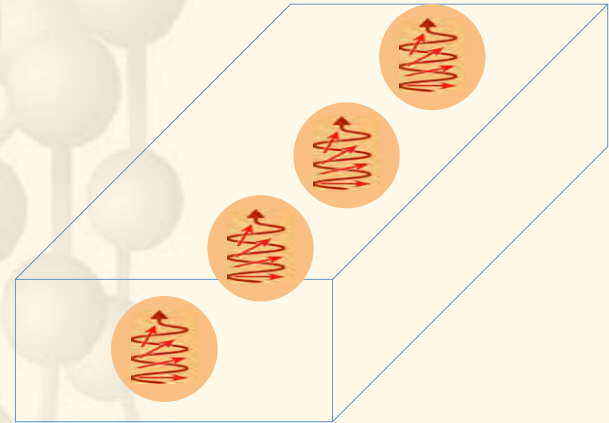
Pure Spin Currents

Magnetic
Metal



Net electron spin flow

Magnetic
Insulator



Magnon flow

The background features a complex, semi-transparent molecular structure composed of numerous white spheres of varying sizes connected by thin white lines, representing a lattice or network of atoms. The structure is more dense and detailed on the right side and fades out towards the left.

Magnetic polarons in manganites

Manganites structure

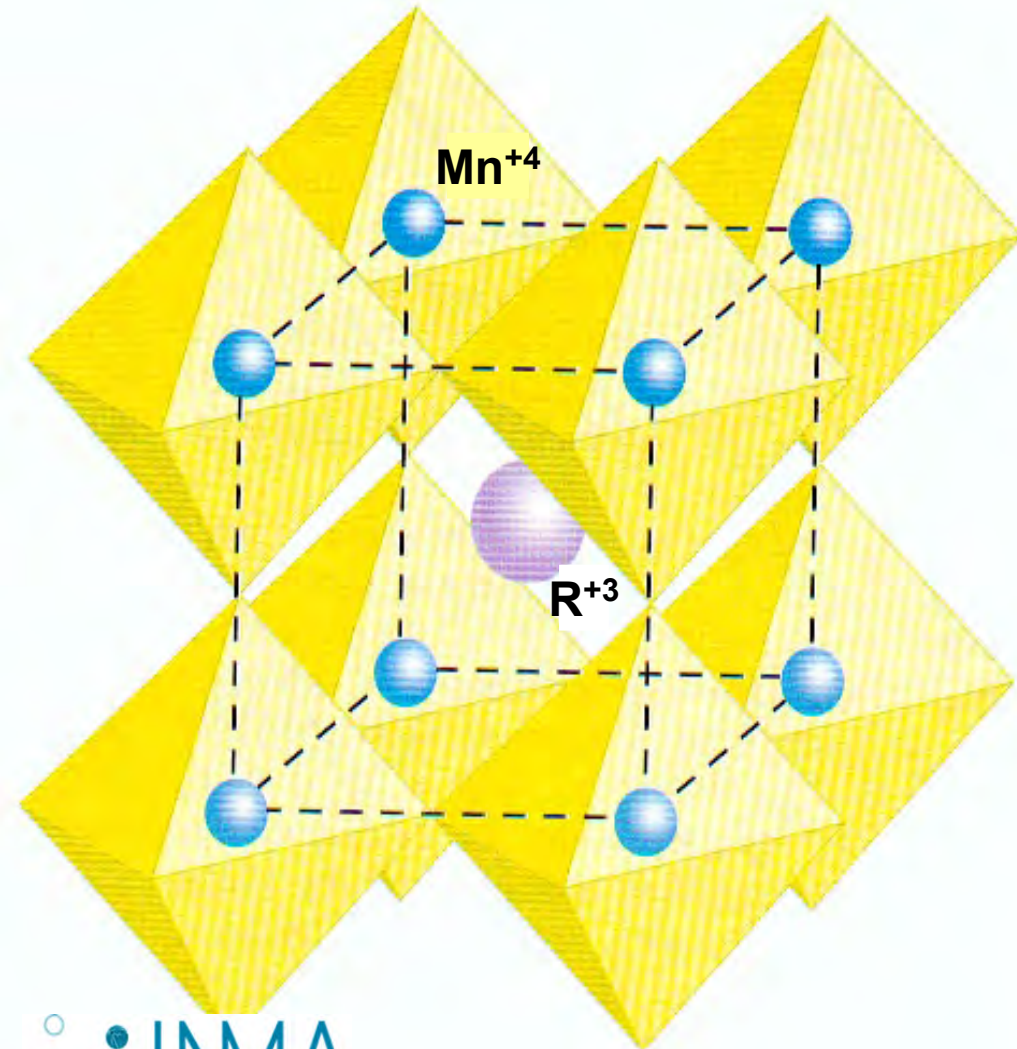
O^{2-}

Cubic perovskite structure

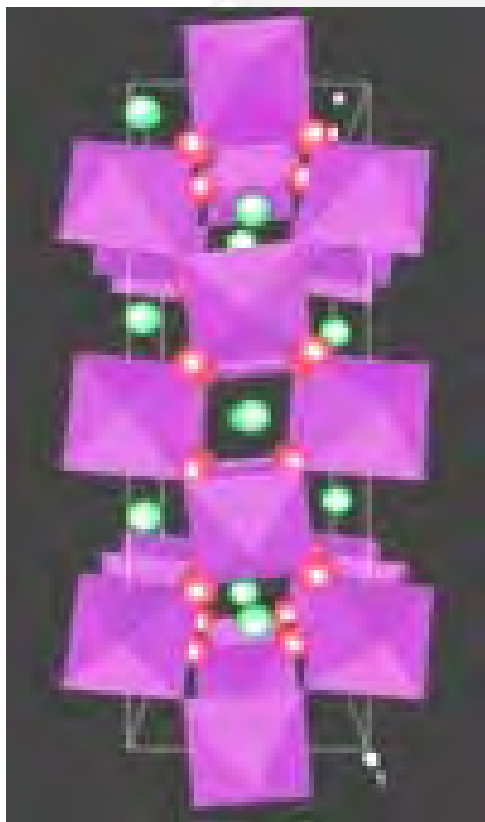


-Octahedral coordination of the Mn ions

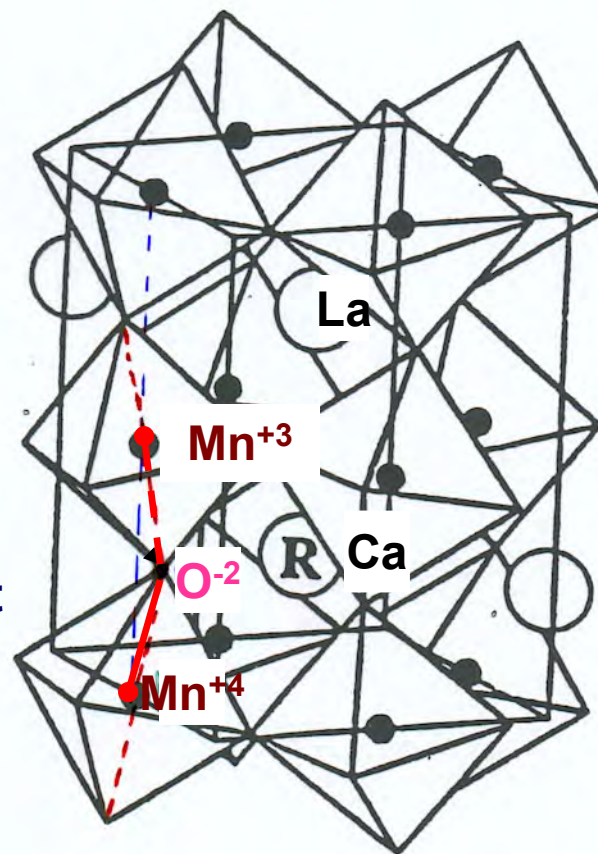
-Mn-O-Mn bond angle 180°



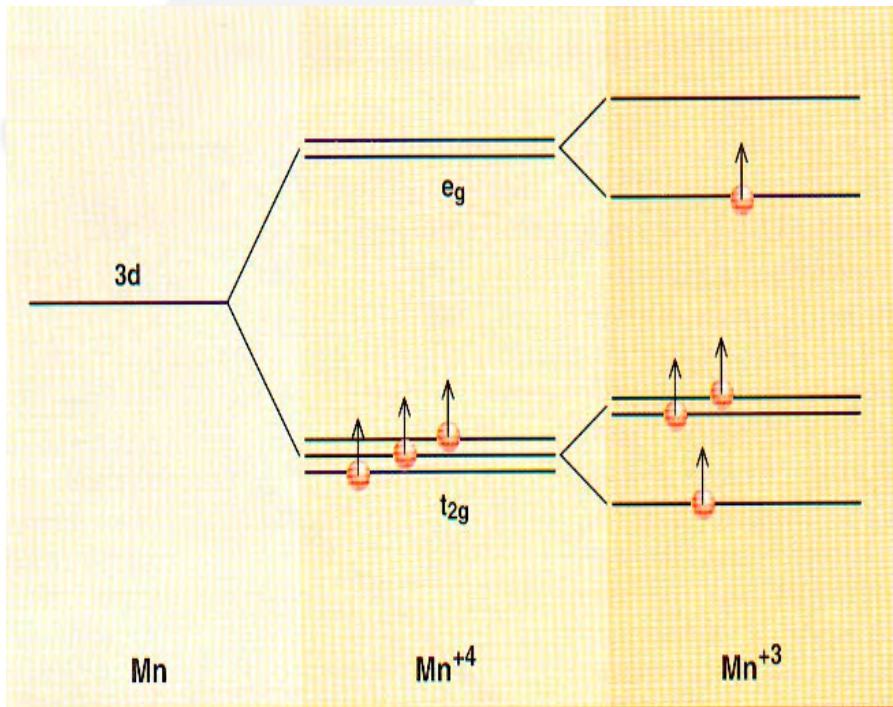
Mixed valence manganites: Distorted perovskite structure



- Change in the bond angle due to different cation size
- Different (La^{+3}) and (Ca^{+2}) valence gives rise to a mixed valent state of the Mn



Crystal electric field interaction



The t_{2g} electrons are localized on the Mn

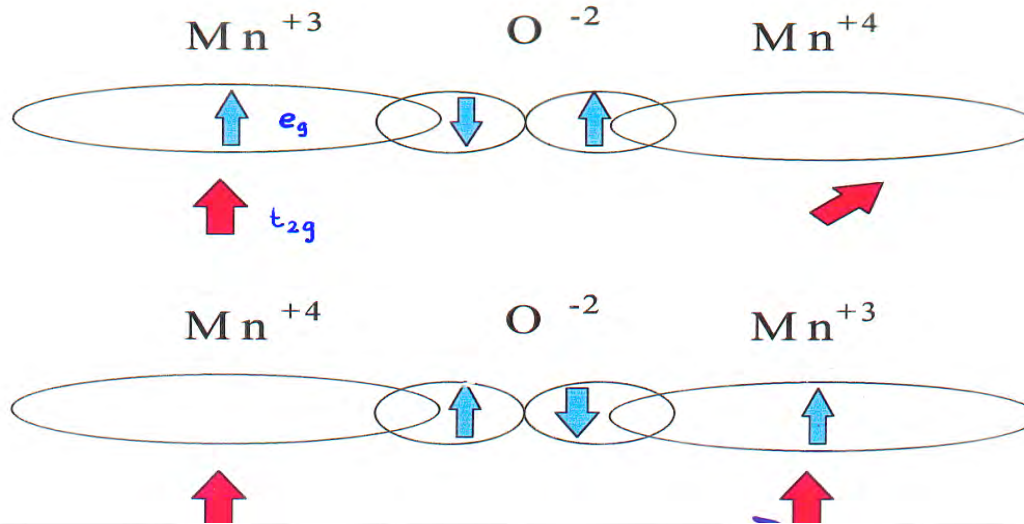
The e_g level is partially occupied by an itinerant electron

Indirect interactions without overlapping of the magnetic ions charge clouds:

- Antiferro and Ferromagnetic superexchange
- Double exchange is ferromagnetic and strong

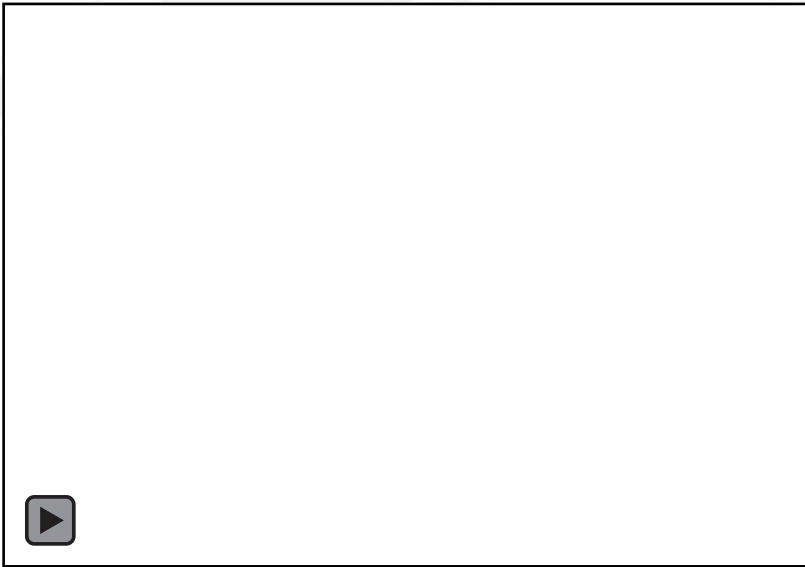
→ Mixed valence compounds: *ferromagnetic*

Mn⁺⁴-O-Mn⁺³ DOUBLE-EXCHANGE

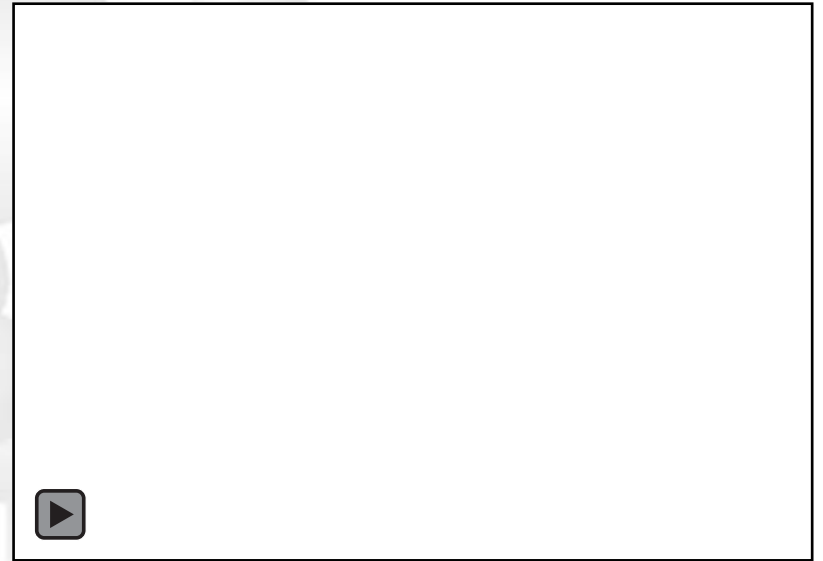


$$t = t_0 \cos[(\Theta) / 2]$$

e_g electron travelling in a disorder-order t_g core angular moments background



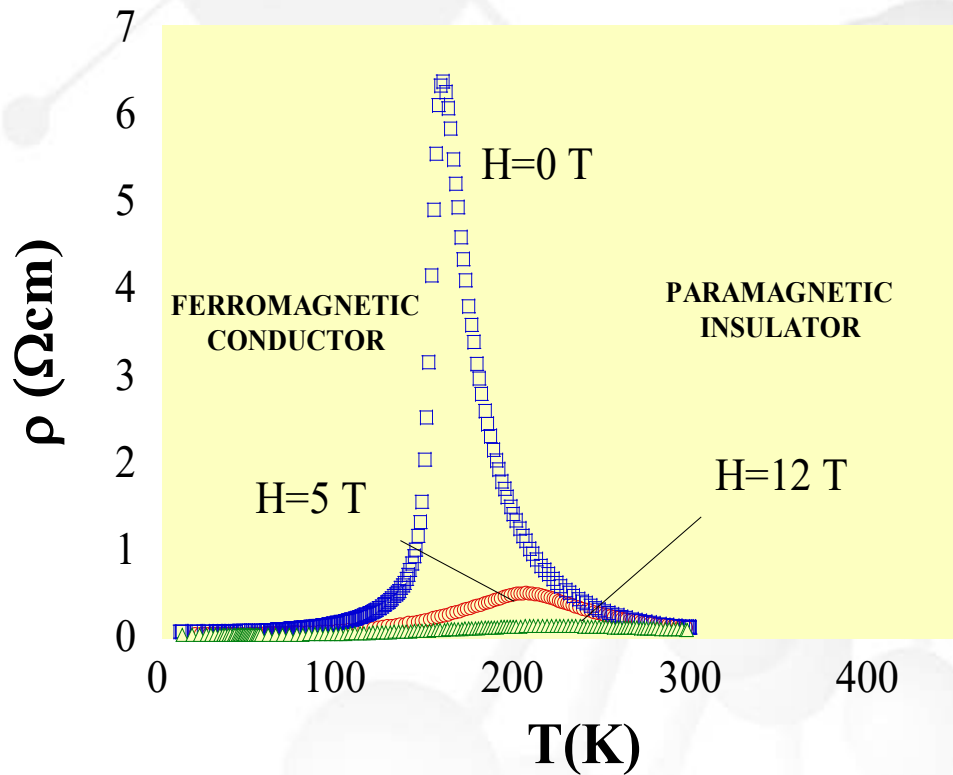
(Paramagnetic phase)



(Ferromagnetic phase)

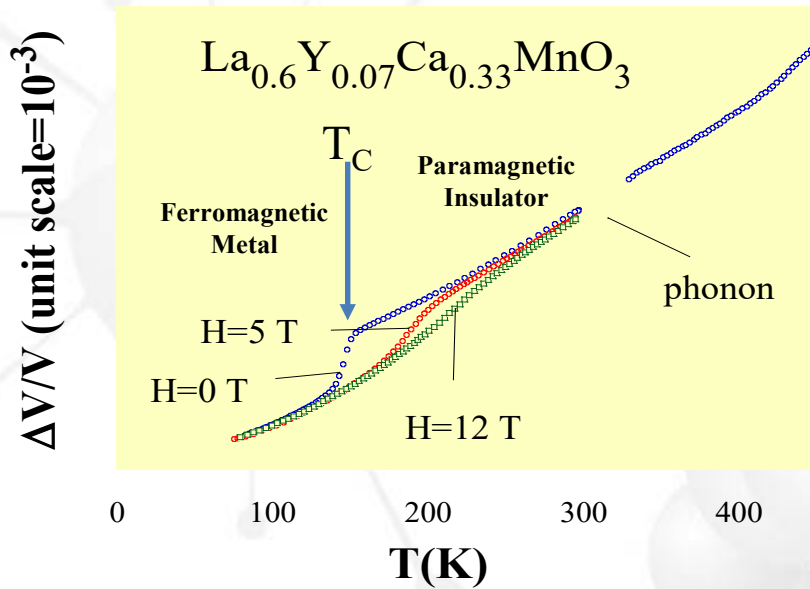
(Dr. Francisco Rivadulla courtesy)

Colossal magnetoresistance



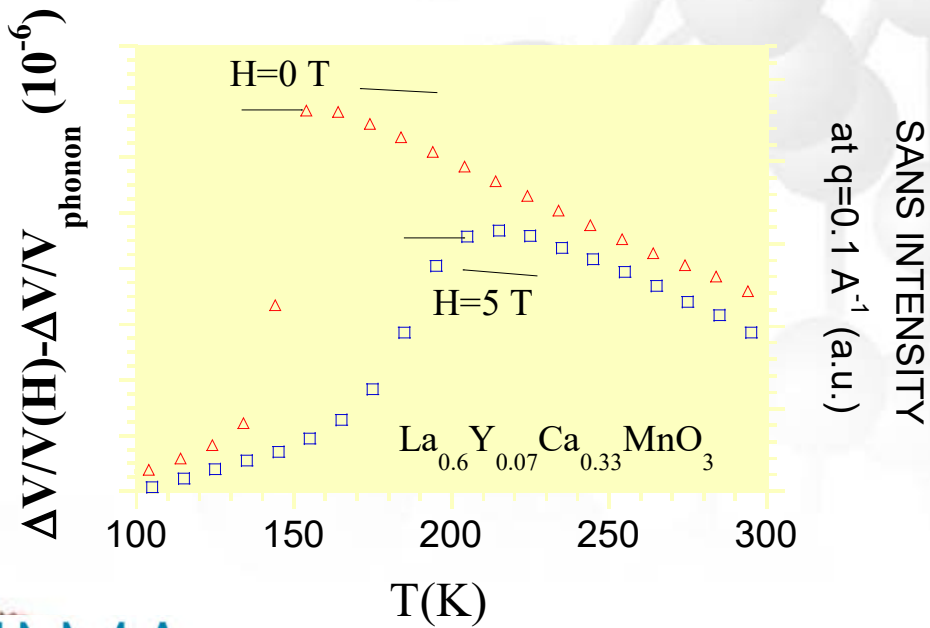
Magnetic and electric phase transition

**Paramagnetic-Ferromagnetic
Insulator-Metal**



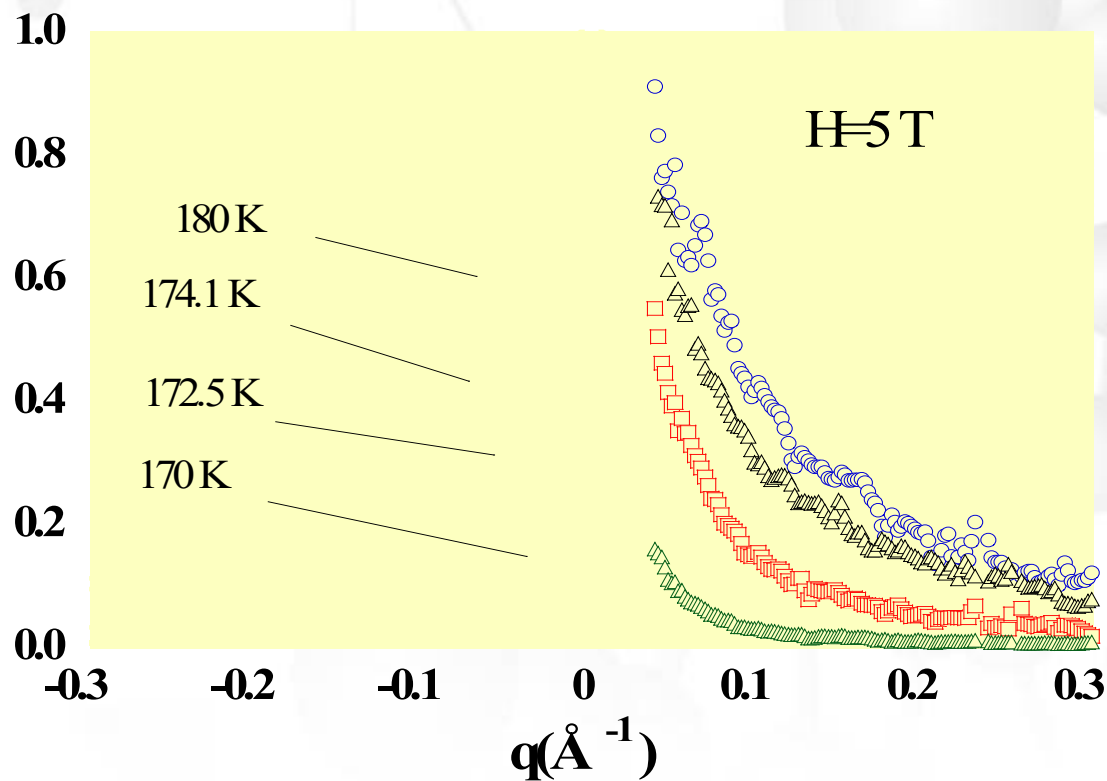
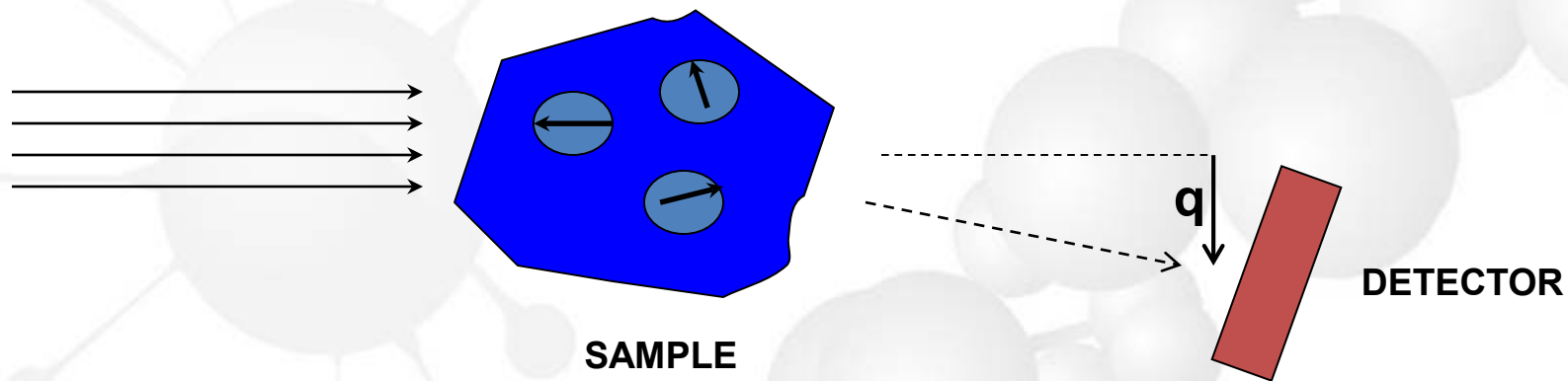
Anomalous thermal expansion in the paramagnetic phase

M.R. Ibarra et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 75 (1995) 3541



Small angle neutron scattering: follows the anomalous thermal expansion

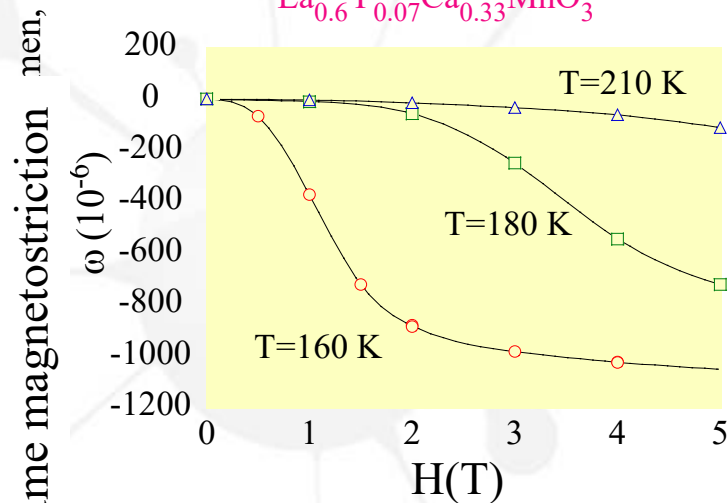
SMALL-ANGLE NEUTRON SCATTERING (SANS)



$$\langle M(0) \cdot M(r) \rangle \sim [\exp(-r/\xi)]/r$$

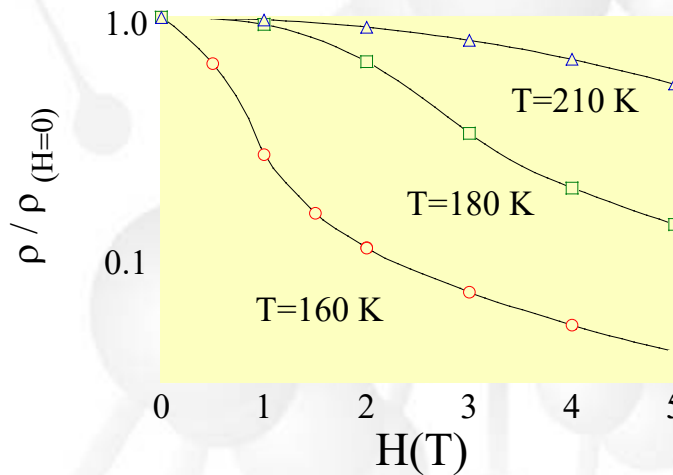


$$I = I_0 / [q^2 + (1/\xi^2)]$$

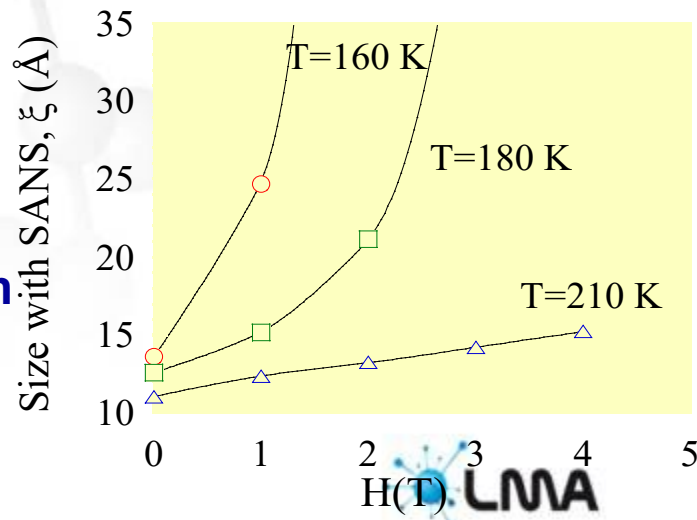


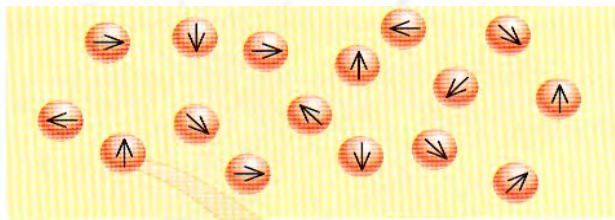
The magnetostriction in paramagnetic phase is quadratic with the field

Magnetoresistance follow the volumen deformation



The cluster size increase with the applied field and

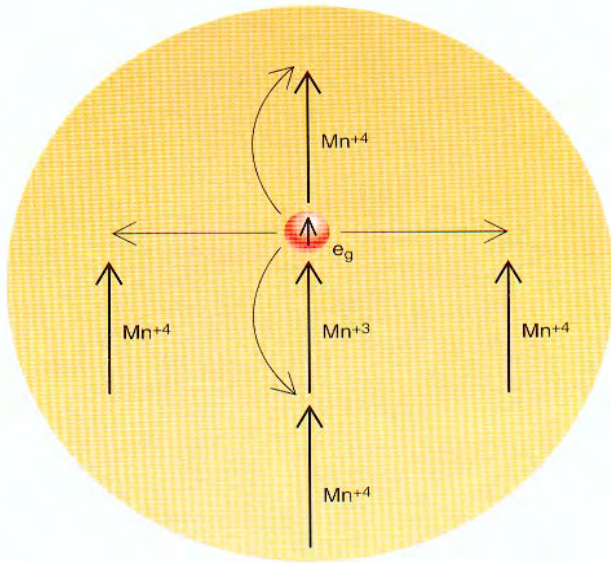




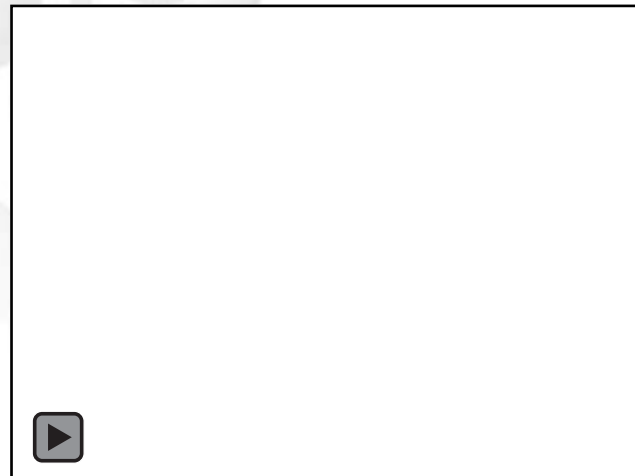
Magnetic Polaron

New dynamic phase segregation

De Teresa J.M. , Ibarra M.R.et al. Nature 386 (1997) 256



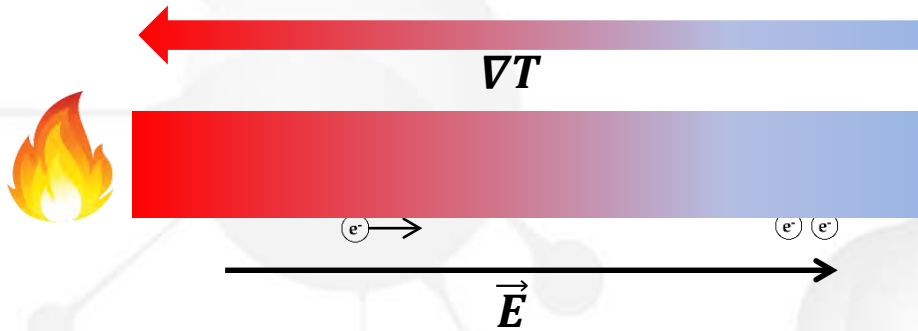
- Hopping intra cluster $\tau_h < 10^{-9}$ s.
- Polaron average life time $\tau_p > 10^{-5}$ s.



A faint, light gray molecular structure is visible in the background, consisting of various sized spheres connected by thin lines, representing atoms and bonds in a complex lattice or network.

**Thin film nanostructures as multilayer constitutes
the emergence of new thermospin effect**

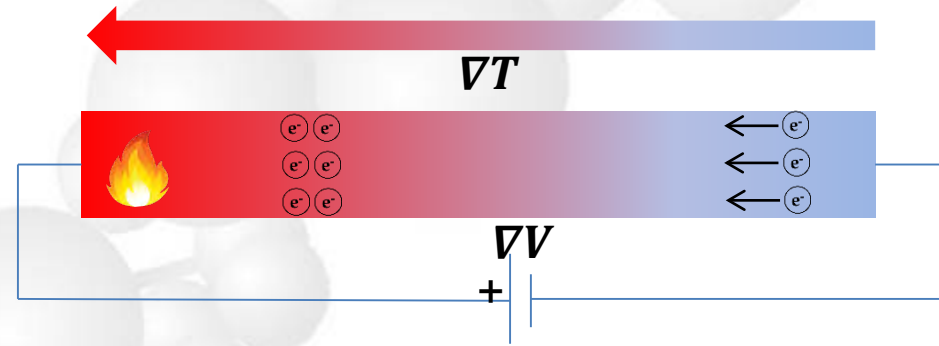
Thermoelectric effects



$$\vec{j} = \sigma(\vec{E} - S \nabla T) = 0$$

$$\text{Seebeck effect: } S = \frac{\vec{E}}{\nabla T}$$

Thermoelectric power generation



$$\text{Peltier effect: } \Pi = S T$$

Thermoelectric cooling

Figure of merit

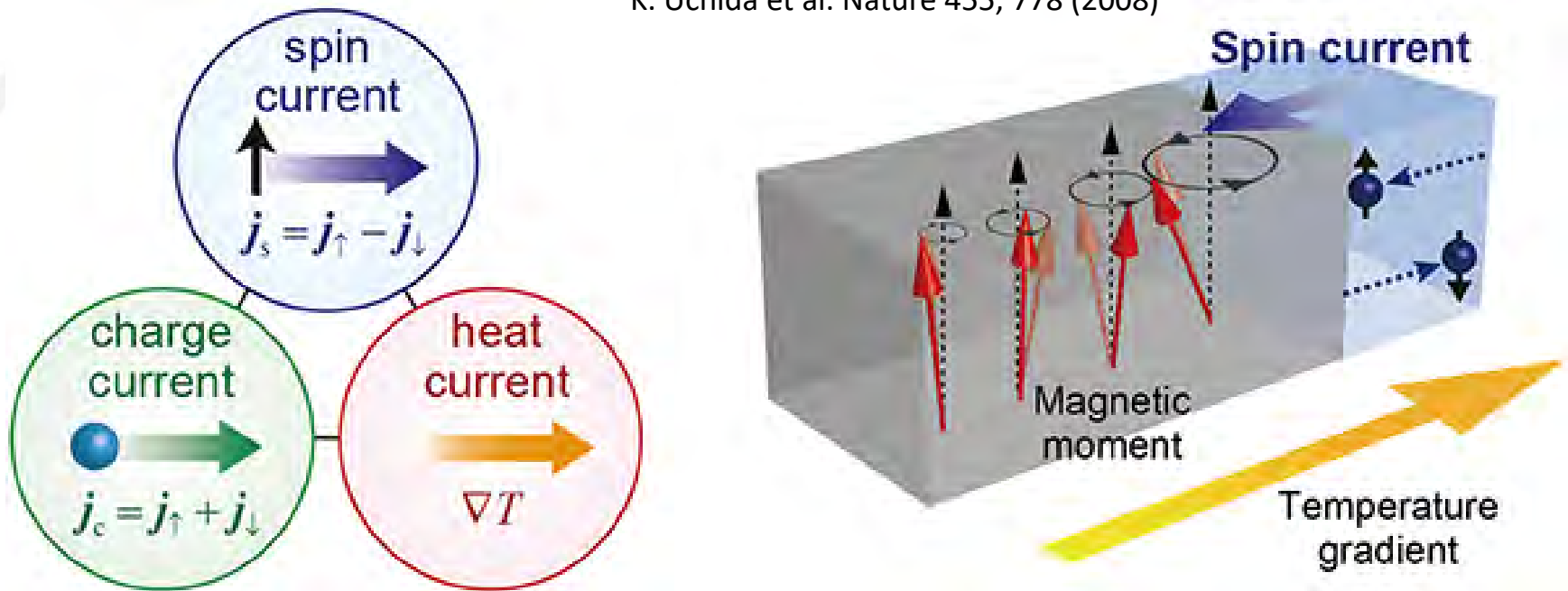
$$ZT = \frac{S^2 \sigma}{\kappa} T$$

$$\kappa = \kappa_e + \kappa_l \quad \kappa_e = L\sigma T$$

$$L = \frac{\pi^2}{3} \left(\frac{k_B}{e} \right)^2 = 2.44 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}\Omega/\text{K}^2$$

Spin Seebeck effect effect: Spin current generation by heat

K. Uchida et al. Nature 455, 778 (2008)

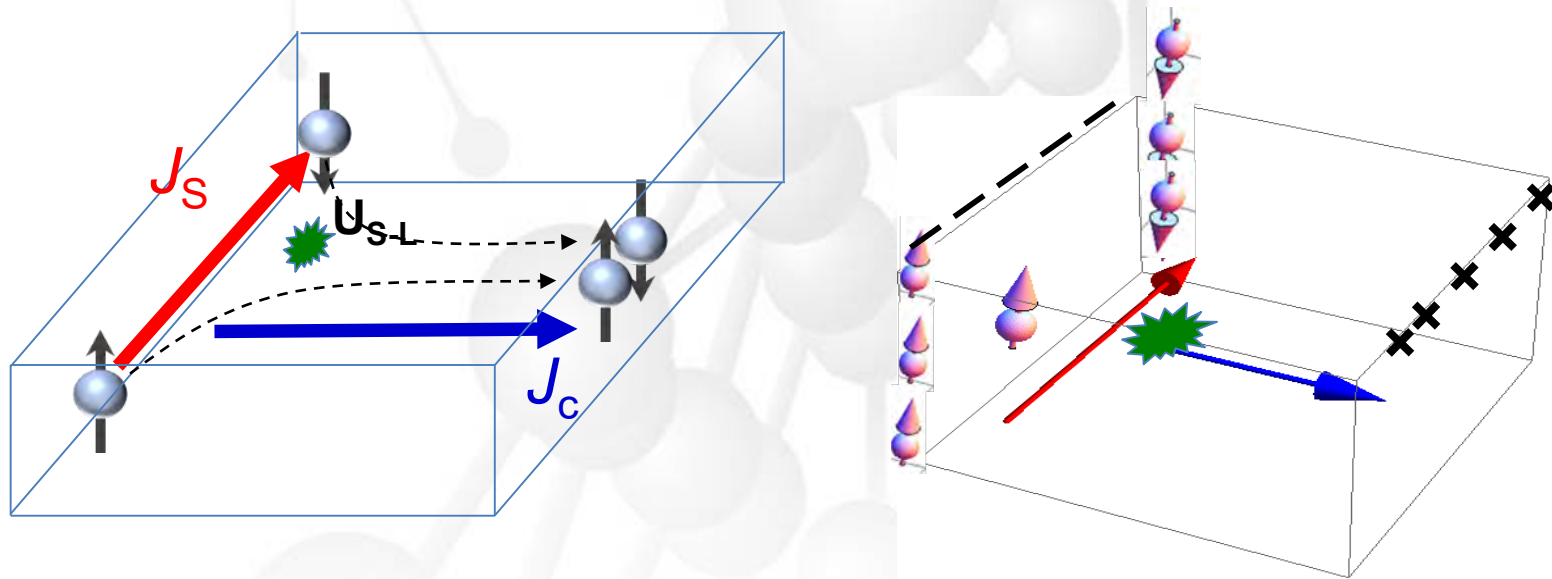


$$I_S = -G_S \frac{k_B}{\hbar} (T_F - T_N)$$

J. Xiao et al. PRB **81**, 214418 (2010)
H. Adachi et al. PRB **83**, 094410 (2011),
Rep. Prog. Phys. **76**, 036501 (2013)

Inverse Spin Hall effect (ISHE)

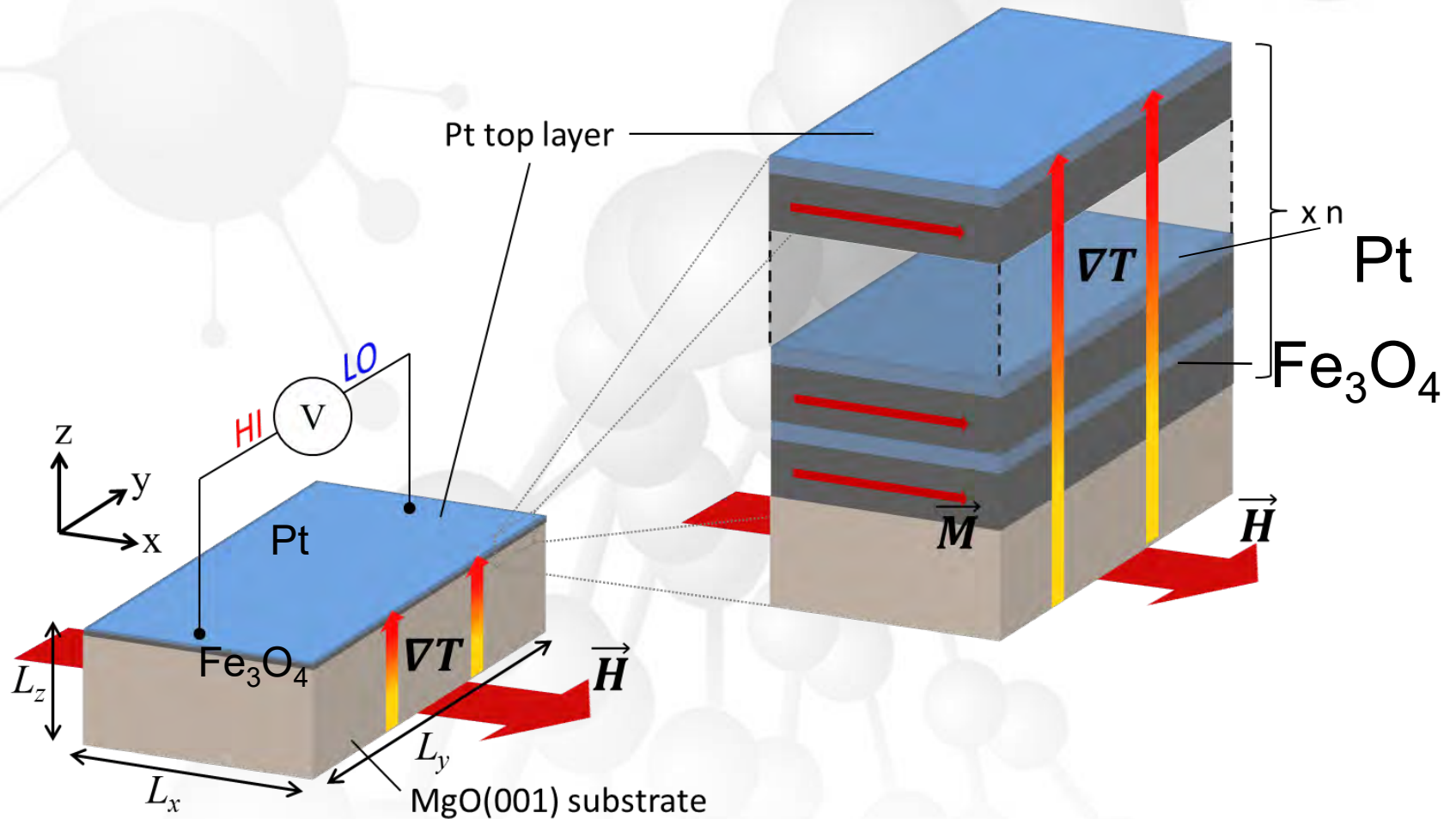
Interconversion of spin currents – charge currents in non-magnetic metals with high spin orbit coupling (high Z)



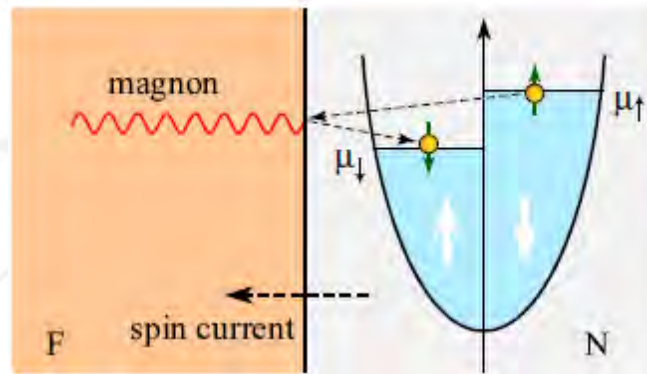
(J_S) Spin \longrightarrow (J_C) Charge

E. Saitoh et al. Appl. Phys. Lett. 88, 182509 (2006)

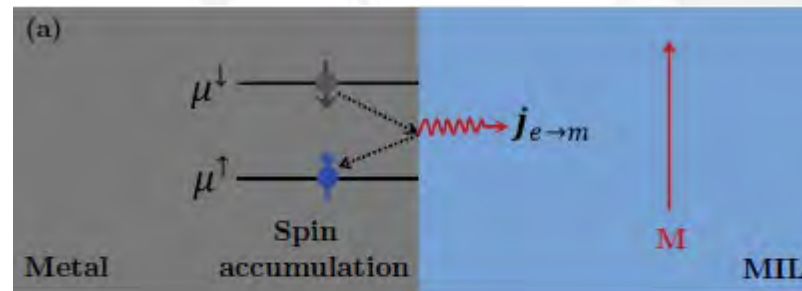
SSE in $[F/N]_n$ multilayers



SPIN CURRENT AT THE INTERFACES

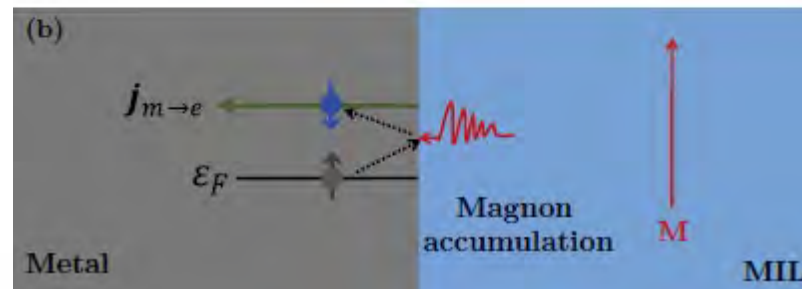


Magnon emission associated with spin accumulation at the metal-ferromagnet interface (Takahasi et al ICM 2009)

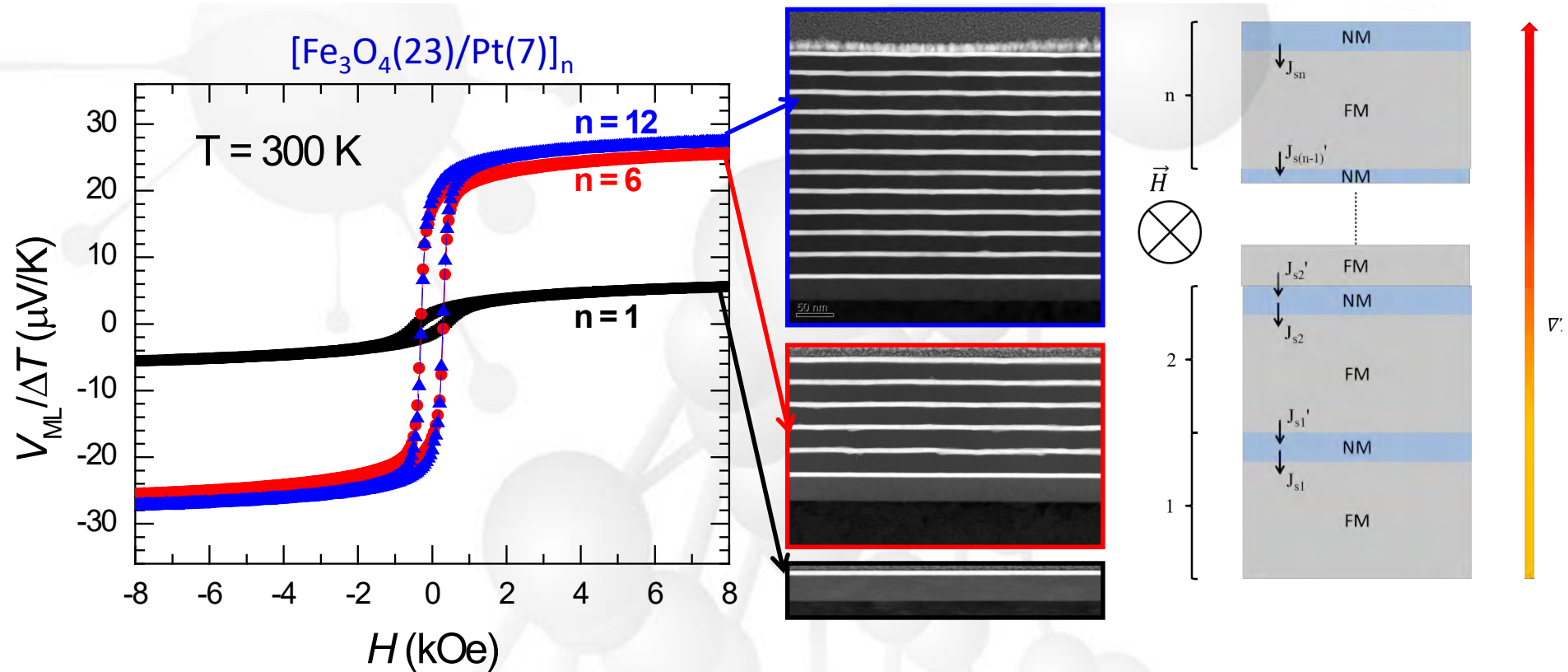


Spin angular momentum transfer at the interface:
Magnon and electron spin current interconversion

(Steven et al. PRB 86 (2012) 214424)



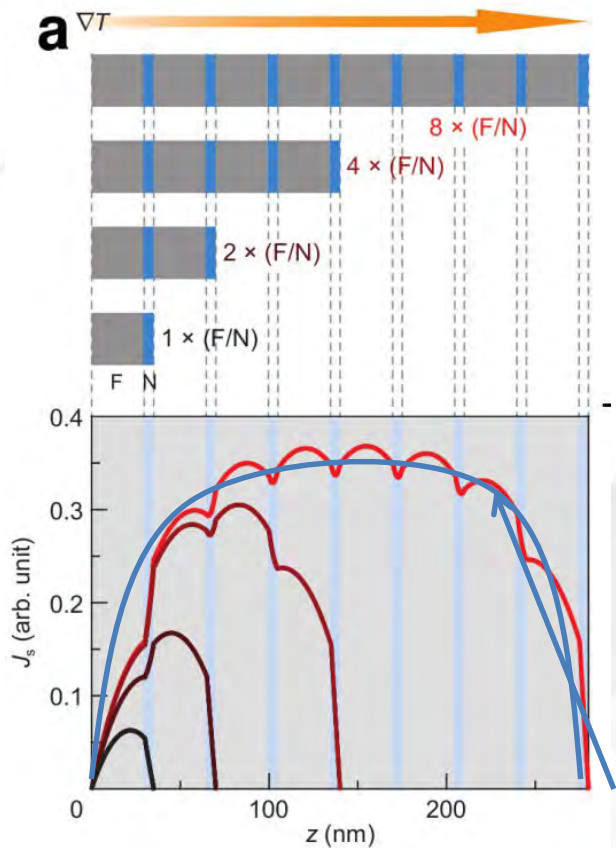
Optimized configuration



Largest SSE voltage measured in a thin film based structure!!

$$V_{ML} \approx 28\ \mu\text{V/K} !!$$

Qualitative agreement with experimental results

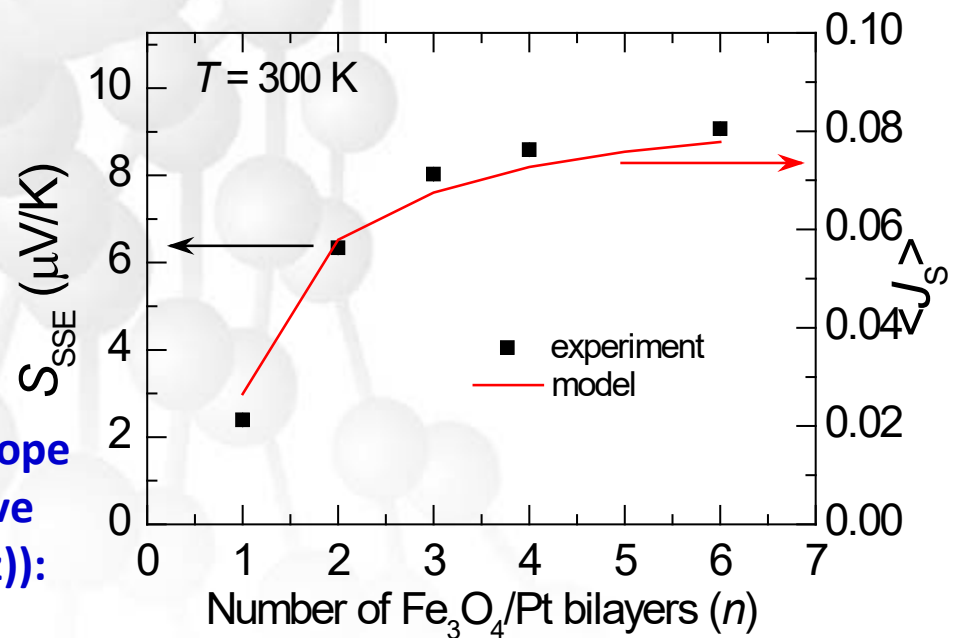


Maximum spin current at central interlayers

Envelope curve ($J_s(z)$):

$$\langle J_S \rangle = \frac{1}{t_N n} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{z_i=0}^{t_N} dz J_s^{(i)}(z)$$

Average SSE voltage measured:

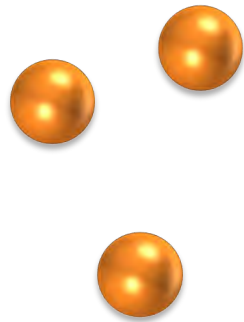
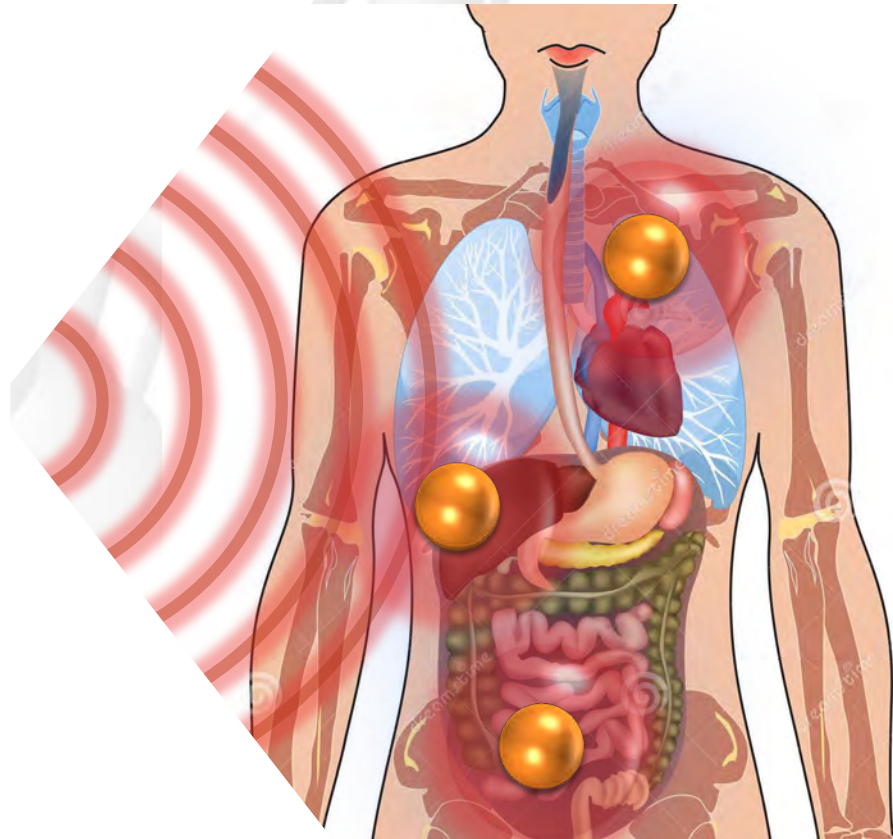


Ramos et al. Phys. Rev. B **92**, 220407(Rap. Comm.) (2015)

Magnetic nanoparticles, due to the electromagnetic radiation adsorption in the radiofrequency range, operate as nanoheaters



- **Magnetic hyperthermia** is an experimental treatment for cancer.
- Based on the fact that [magnetic nanoparticles](#) can transform electromagnetic energy from an external a.c. field to heat.
- If magnetic nanoparticles are put inside a tumor and the whole patient is placed in an a.c. magnetic field, the tumor temperature will rise.
- The elevation of temperature may enhance radio- and chemo-sensitivity, hopefully shrinking tumors.

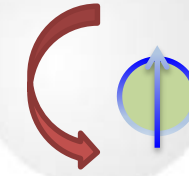


Losses in magnetic colloids

1. In NPs suspensions (@ RT), the Brownian relaxation in viscous media is

$$\tau_B = \frac{3 \eta V_H}{k_B T}$$

Brownian rotation

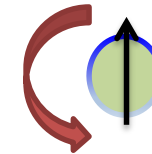


Physical movement of the MNPs

2. Néel relaxation is

$$\tau_N = \tau_0 \exp\left(\frac{K V_M}{k_B T}\right)$$

Neel relaxation



Rotation of the magnetic moment of the MNPs

The total relaxation is

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{\tau_B} + \frac{1}{\tau_N}$$

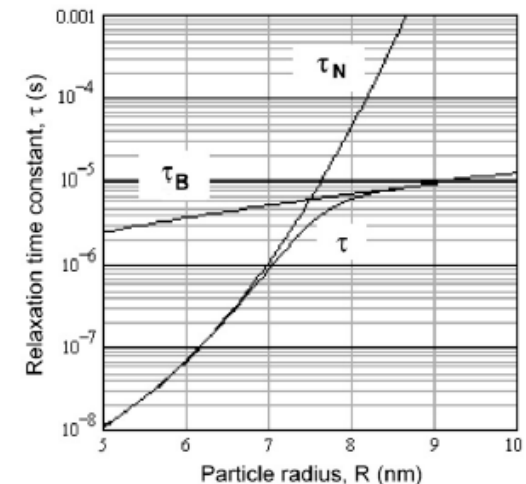
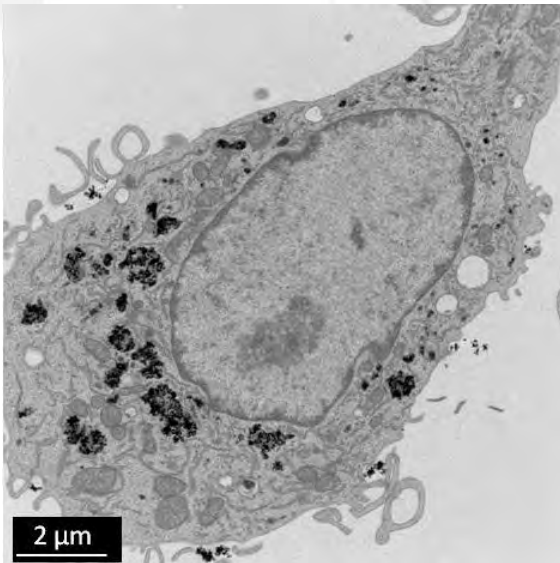
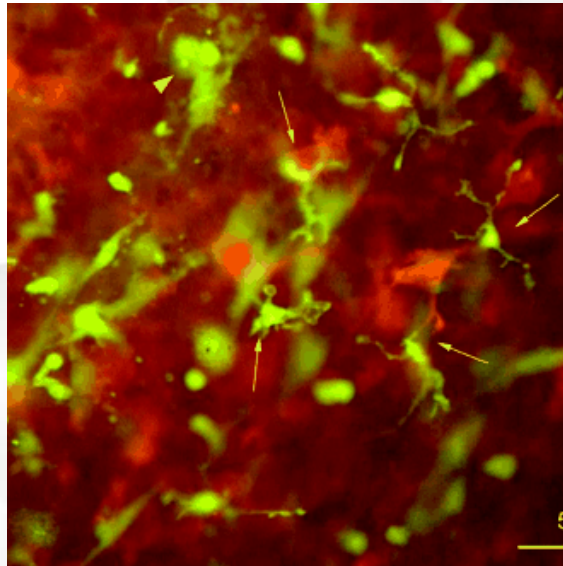


Fig. 2. Time constants vs. particle size for magnetite particles.

Dendritic cells targeting carrying MNPs: magnetic cells



Dendritic cells +
NPs



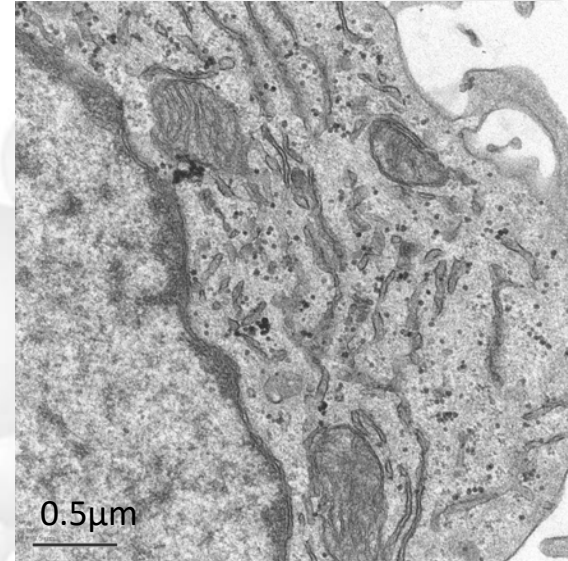
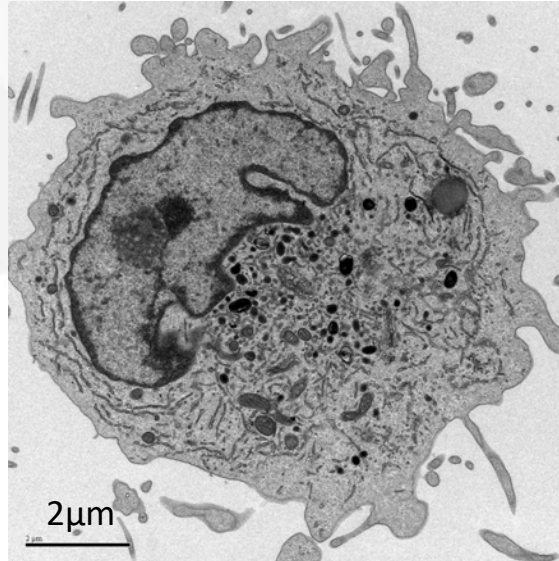
Dendritic cells
targeted on tumor



Trojan horse

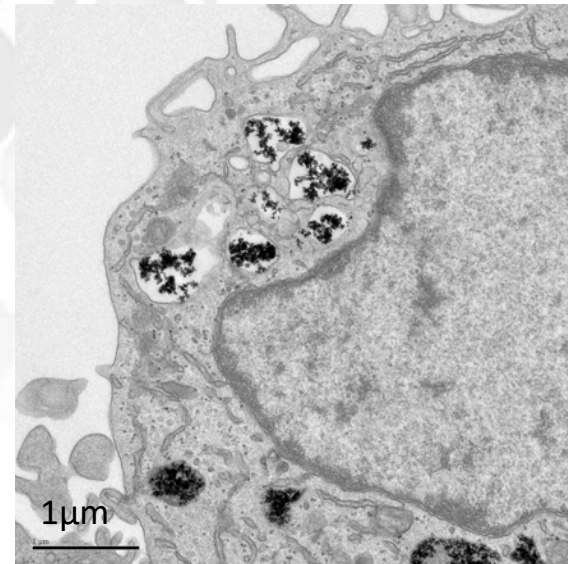
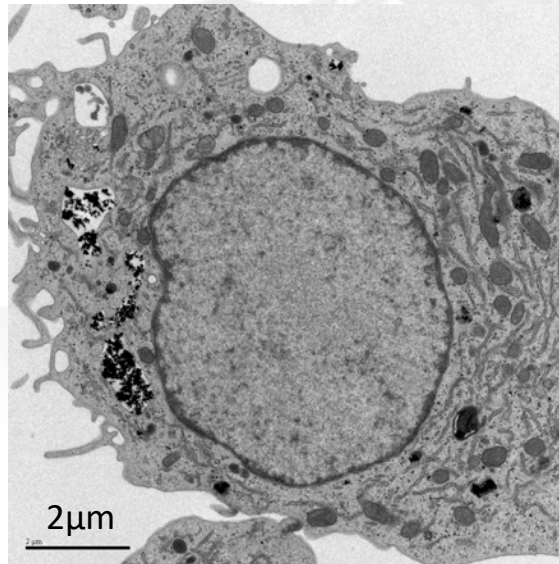
DCs INTERNALIZATION-TEM

DCs

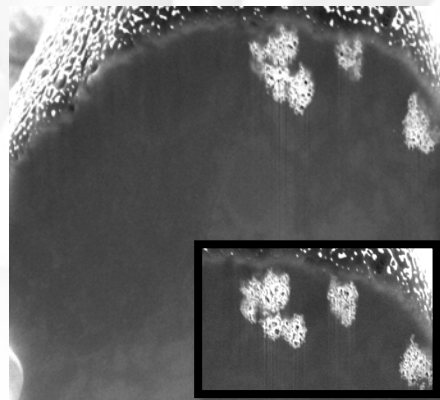
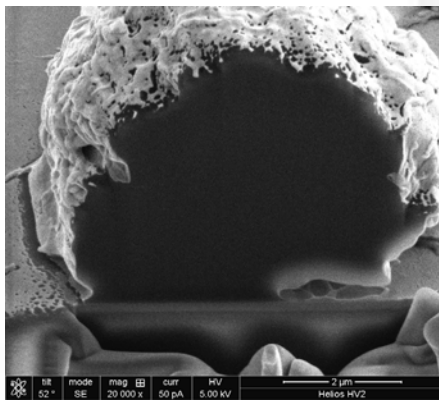


DCs+
MNPs

50 ugFe₃O₄/ml

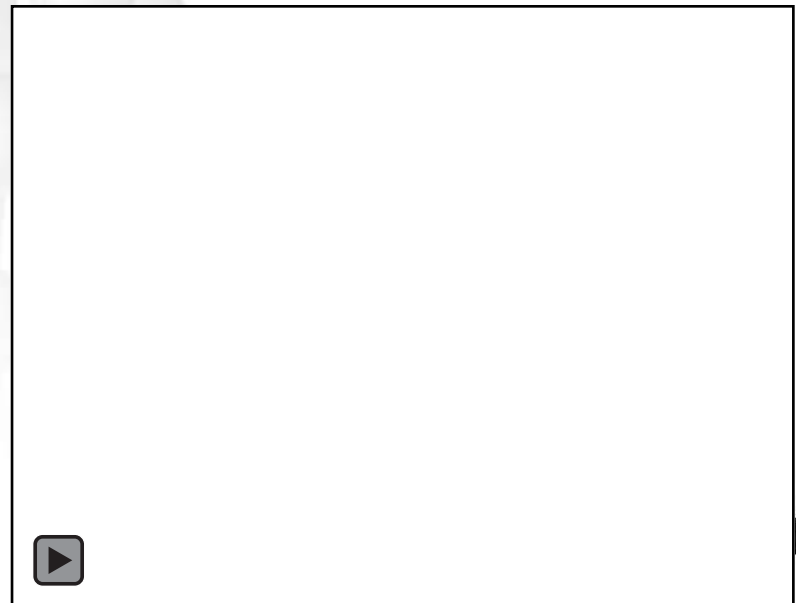


Focused Ion Beam FIB - Dual Beam

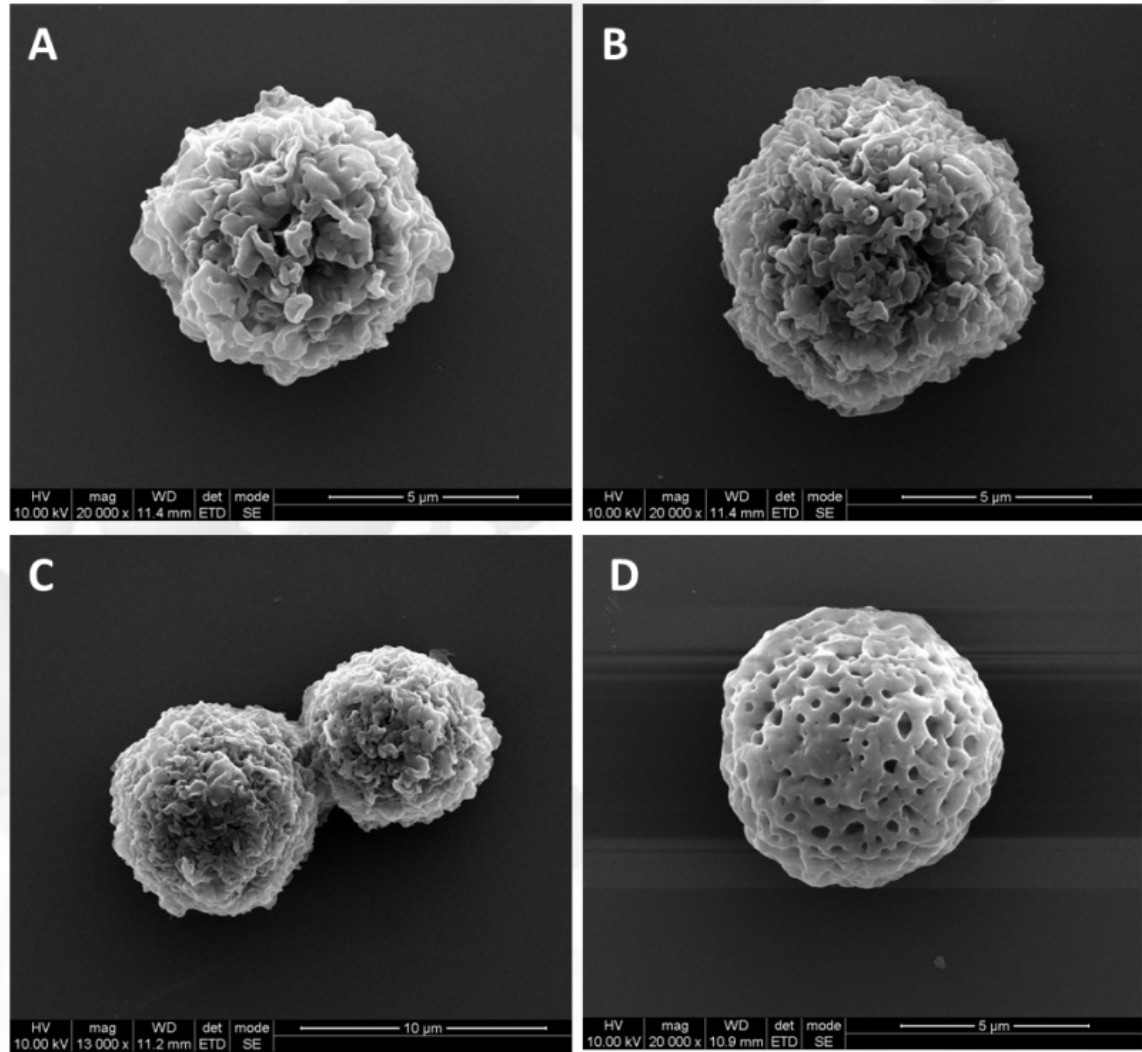
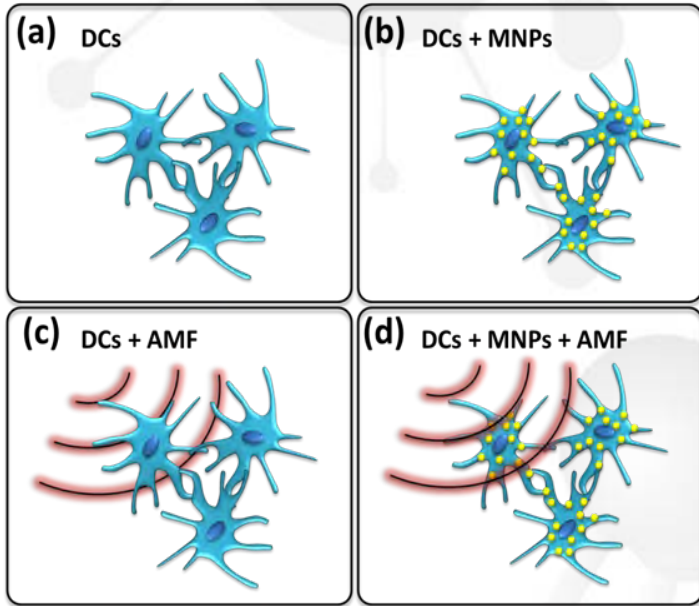


DCs

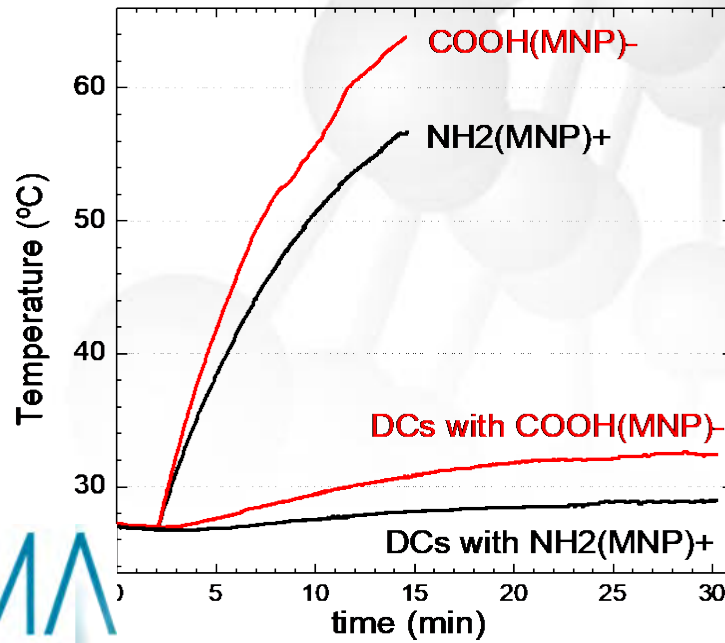
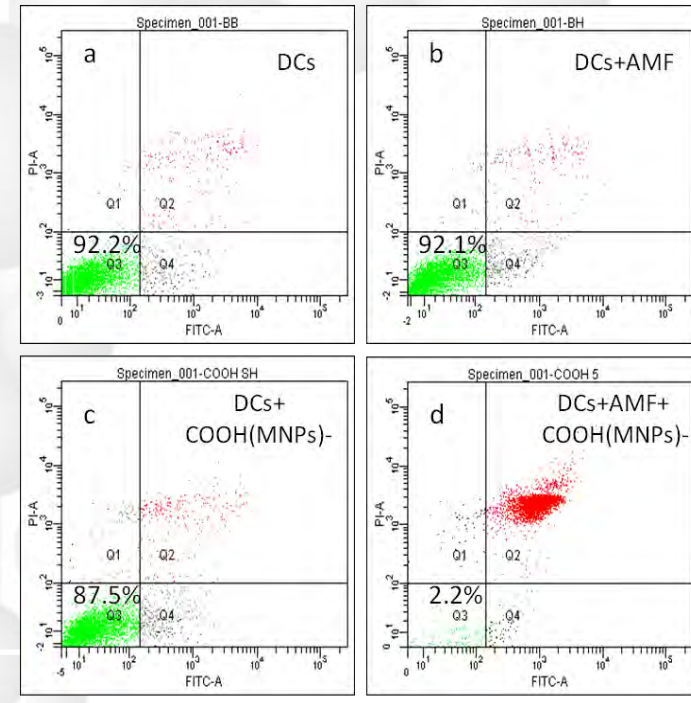
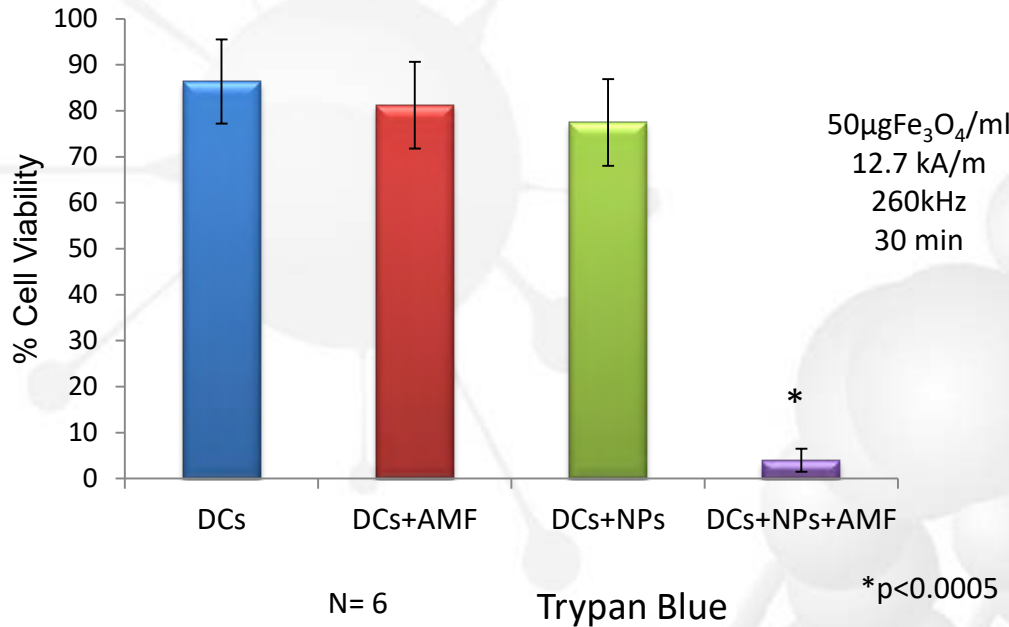
MNPs uploaded DCs



EFFECT OF THE ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD ON CELL VIABILITY



DENDRITIC CELL VIABILITY



Cell death induced by the application of alternating magnetic fields to nanoparticle-loaded dendritic cells. Marcos-Campos I, Asín L, Torres TE, Marquina C, Tres A, Ibarra MR, Goya GF. Nanotechnology 22 (2011) 205101

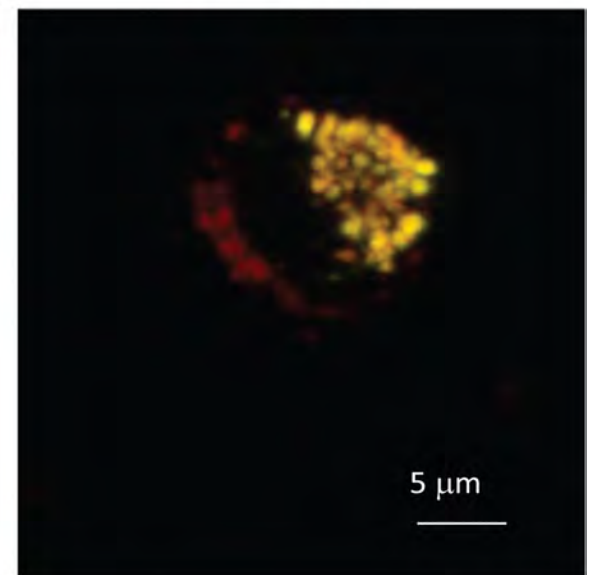
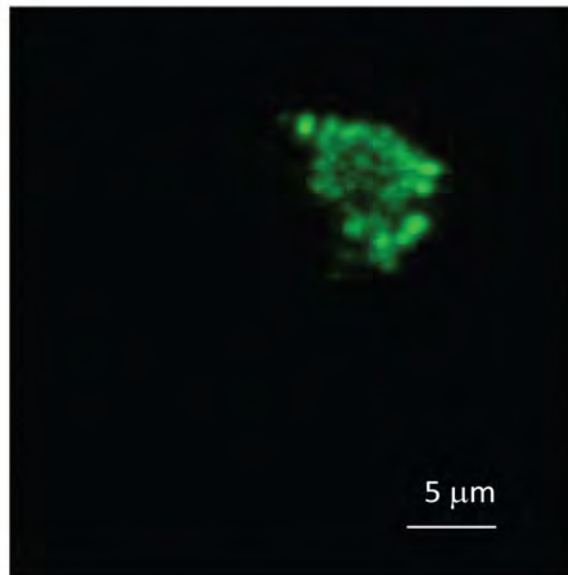
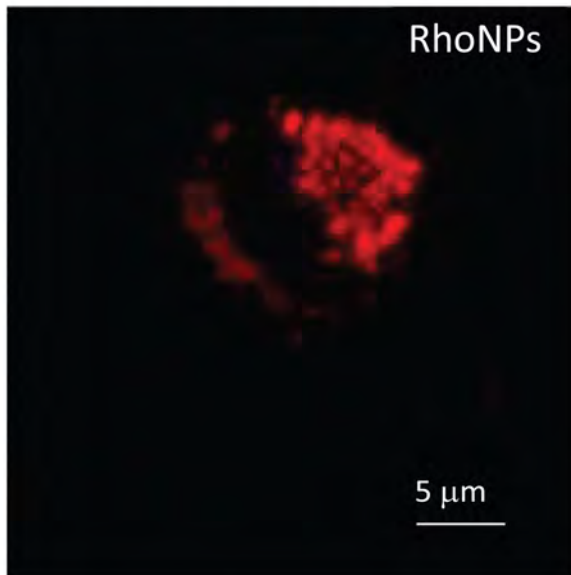
No temperature increase!!!

Colocalization of MNP in DCs

Fluorescence NPs

Lysotracker

Overlay



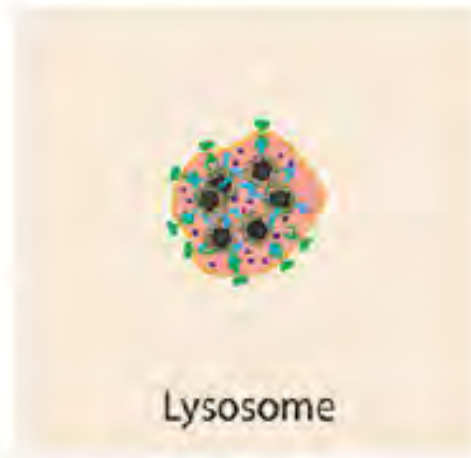
Goya G.F. et al. Current Nanoscience **12** (2016).

Lysosomal Membrane Permeabilization by Targeted Magnetic Nanoparticles in Alternating Magnetic Fields



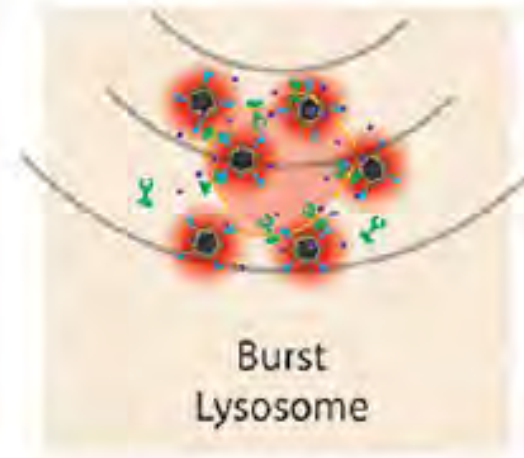
Receptor Targeted Magnetic Nanoparticle

Cell Surface Receptor



Lysosome

MNP Uptake into Lysosomes



Burst Lysosome

AMF Results in Release of Lysosome Contents

Domenech et al. ACS nano (2015)

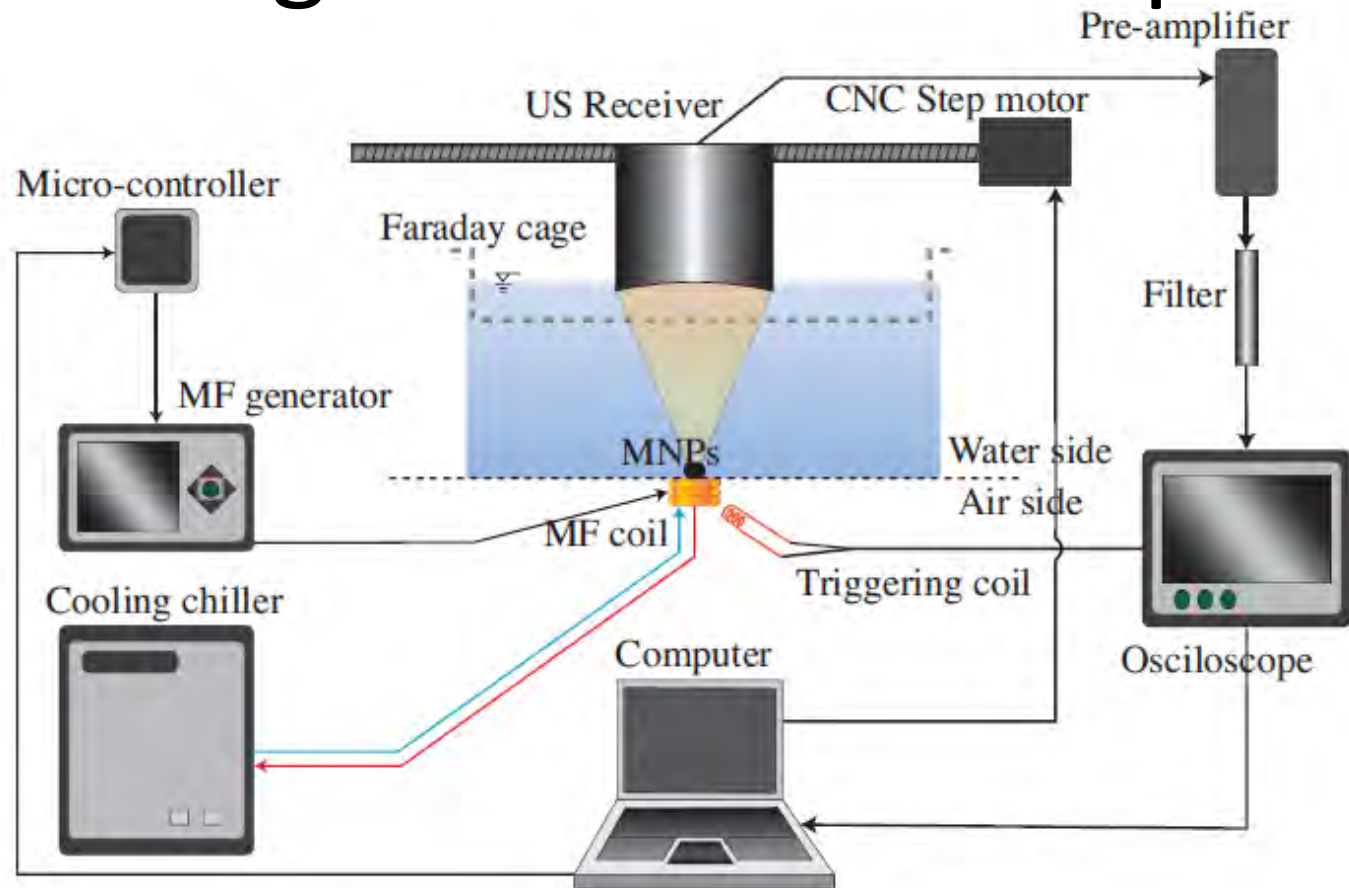
Induced ultrasound generation

Mechanism for membrane disruption?

Mechanical waves, Ultrasound?

(In collaboratio with Prof. Gullermo Rus, UGR)

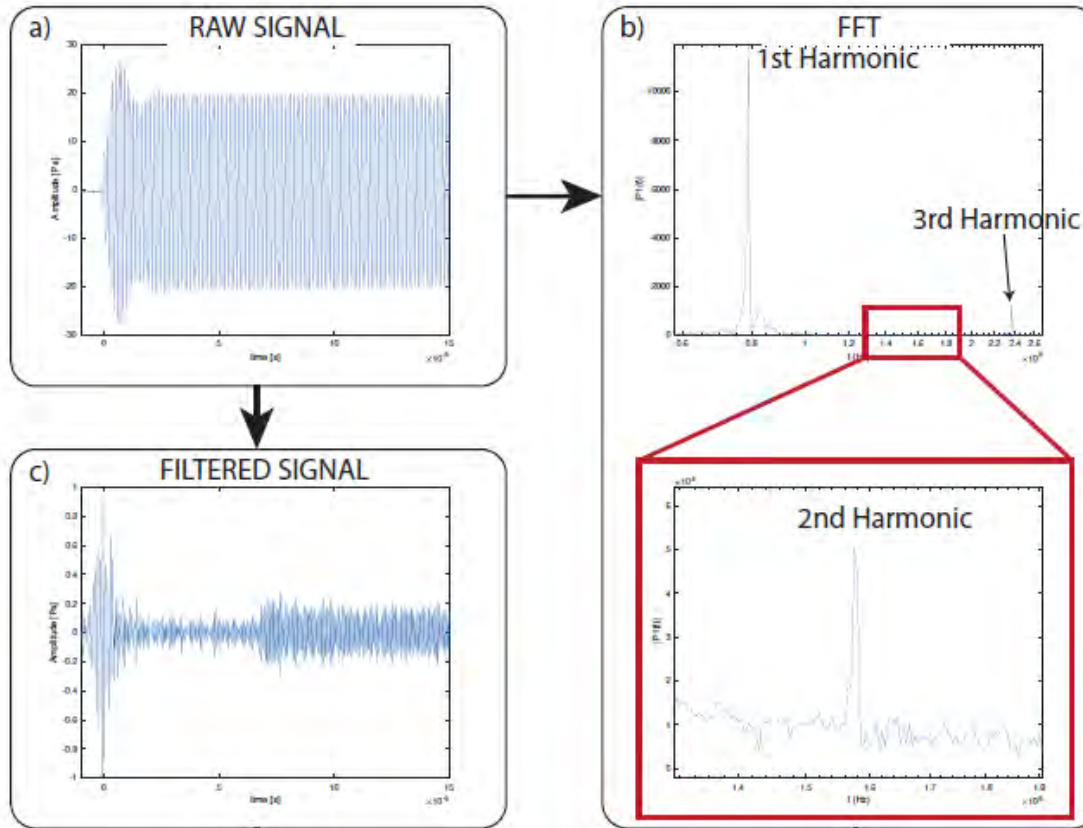
Magneto-acoustic setup



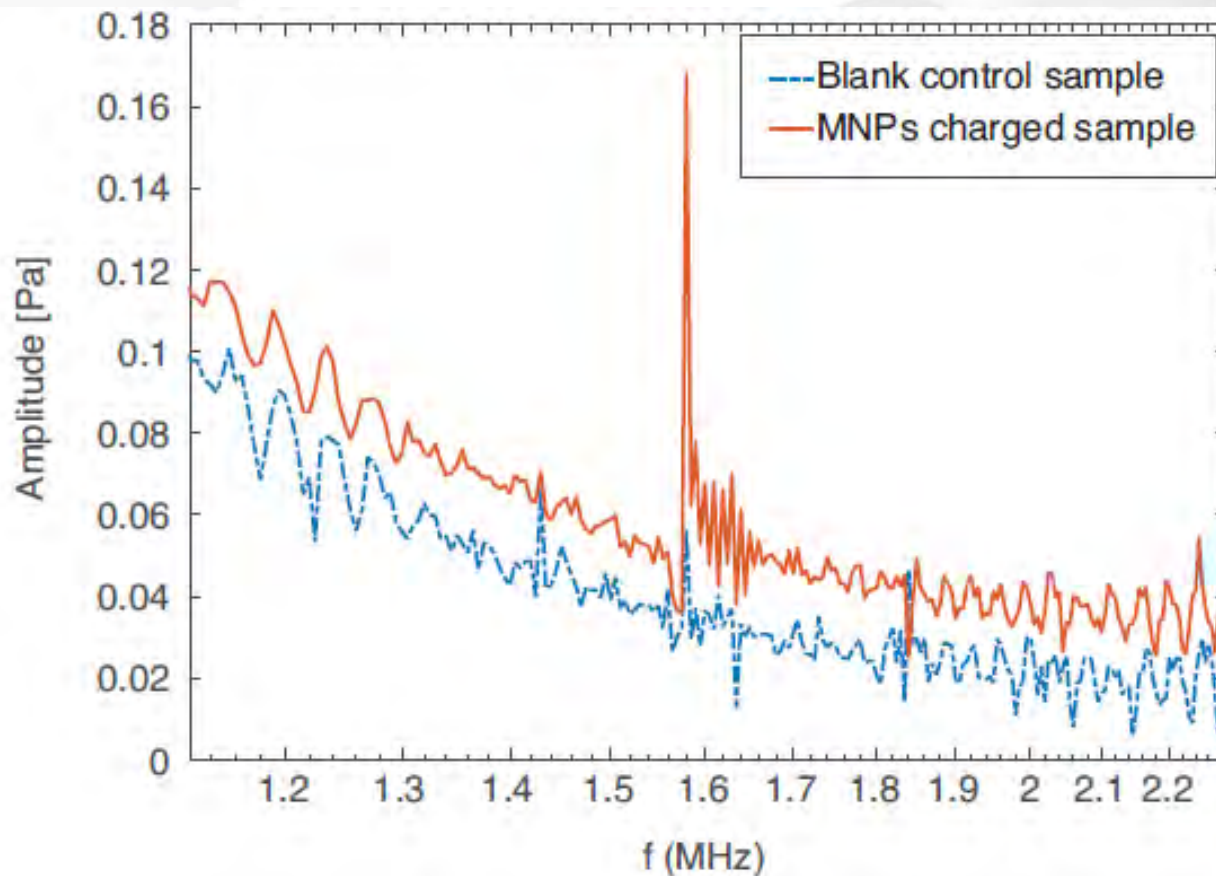
Experimental goals:

- Thermal stability (Short EMF burst)
- Lack of interferences and high sensitivity
- EMF gradients

Ultrasound response to the EMF



US signal due to the MNP



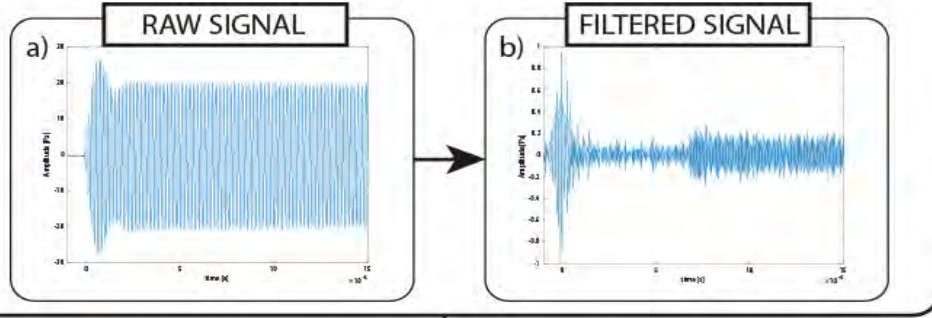
Radiofrequency EMF

Ultrasound wave

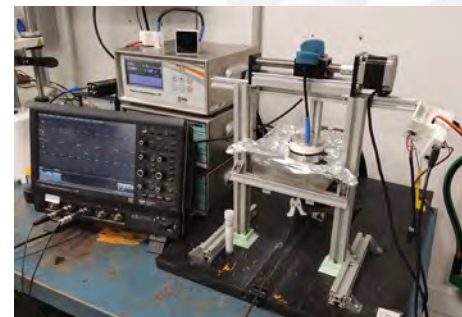
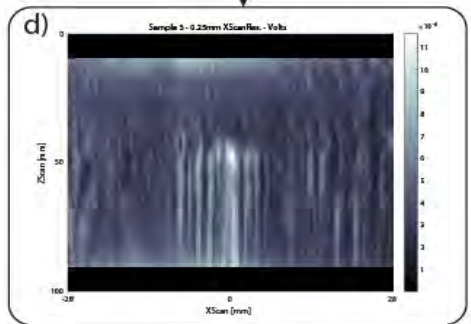
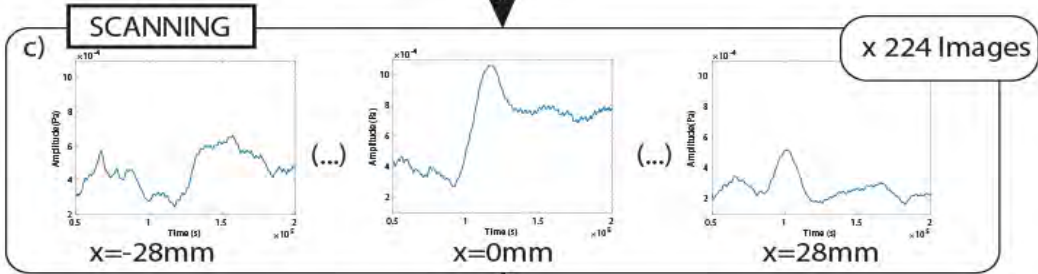



Magnetic Nanoparticles

Prototype for scanner



For $x = -28\text{mm} : 0.25 : 28\text{mm}$



A faint, light gray molecular structure is visible in the background, consisting of various sized spheres connected by thin lines, representing atoms and bonds.

Nanomagnetism provides new tools that allows a deep understanding of the phenomena that occurs at the nanoscale even at atomic level

This will allows to design new functional materials.



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