

Magnetism of multiferroic materials seen by Mössbauer spectroscopy

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Multiferroic materials containing iron ions attract much attention of scientists due to their unusual magnetic structure, including collinear and non-collinear spin arrangement, and possessing magneto-electric coupling. Magnetism of multiferroics primarily depends on peculiarities of the electronic structure and crystal local environment of iron ions. Thus, ⁵⁷Fe Mössbauer spectroscopy is one of the most powerful tools for studying multiferroic materials. In the presentation, the examples of Mössbauer studies for ABO₃ perovskite-like oxides (i.e., Aurivillius Bi_{m+1}Ti₃Fe_{m-3}O_{3m+3} compounds, (1-x)BiFeO₃-(x)BaTiO₃ and Bi_{1-x}Nd_xFeO₃ solid solutions) and ABO₂ delafossite-like oxides (i.e., AgFeO₂ and CuFeO₂) will be shown and discussed.