Large magnetic-entropy change above room temperature in the colossal magnetoresistance $La_{0.7}Sr_{0.3}Mn_{1-x}Ni_xO_3$ materials

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Abstract: Magnetic and magnetocaloric properties of the series La $_{0.7}$ Sr $_{0.3}$ Mn $_{1-x}$ Ni $_x$ O $_3$ (x = 0.00, 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, and 0.05) have been investigated. The X-ray diffraction analysis shows that all perovskites studied have the rhombohedral structure. The field-cooled and zero-field-cooled thermomagnetic curves measured at low field show that there is spin-glass (or cluster-glass)-like state in the samples. It is found that the magnetic-entropy change $|\Delta S_{max}|$ has reached the highest value of 3.54J/kgK at 13.5kOe for the composition with x = 0.02. © 2004 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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