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## Crystal structure changes of CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanoparticles studied using high-pressure synchrotron x-ray diffraction

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Super paramagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles (SPIONS) are important to a variety of fields, from materials engineering to medicine. Nanoparticles often have chemical and structural properties unique from their bulk counterparts. As such, much more can be learned from the structural response of nanoparticles to varying thermodynamics parameters like pressure. We present the results of a high-pressure synchrotron x-ray diffraction study of CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanoparticles (APS 30nm), conducted at Advanced Photon Source, Argonne National Laboratory. Static compression to 54GPa was achieved with the use of a diamond anvil cell (DAC). Crystal structure evolution from the refinement of x-ray diffraction patterns indicates a structural change induced by the application of pressure. The behavior of CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanoparticles is compared to other SPIONS, as well as bulk CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.

## **Biography**

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