

Chemical Synthesis of Magnetic Nanomaterials

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Magnetic nanomaterials have attracted intensive interests due to their great applications in data storage and biomedical fields, including MRI, drug delivery and magnetic hyperthermia. It is a prerequisite to these kind of applications that these nanomaterials possess controlled size, shape and magnetic properties. It is worth noting that chemical methods offer an effective route to precisely control both phases at the nanoscale, and help understand magnetic interactions and develop advanced magnetic materials for various applications. In this talk, we will introduce our recent work on controlled synthesis of magnetic nanomaterials. We will first present a general protocol of chemical synthesis to monodisperse NPs, such as 0D Fe₃O₄, FePt, Fe₅C₂ nanoparticles, 1D FePt nanorods, 2D Fe₃O₄ nanoprisms, and nanocomposite magnets. And then, we will move to exchange-coupled nanoparticles with magnetically hard L1₀-FePt as core and magnetically soft Co (or Ni, or Fe₂C) as shell. Finally, a facile chemical route to prepare 200 nm single domain SmCo₅@Co core/shell magnets with coercivity of 20.7 kOe and saturation magnetization of 82 emu/g. The single domain SmCo₅ core contributes to the large coercivity of the magnets and the exchange-coupled Co shell enhances the magnetization. This method can be further utilized in the synthesis of other NdFeB based exchange-coupled magnets.

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