

Supporting Information

Coexistence of High Magnetization and Anisotropy with Non-monotonic Particle Size Effect in Ferromagnetic PrMnO₃ Nanoparticles

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EDAX analysis of P1, P2 and P3

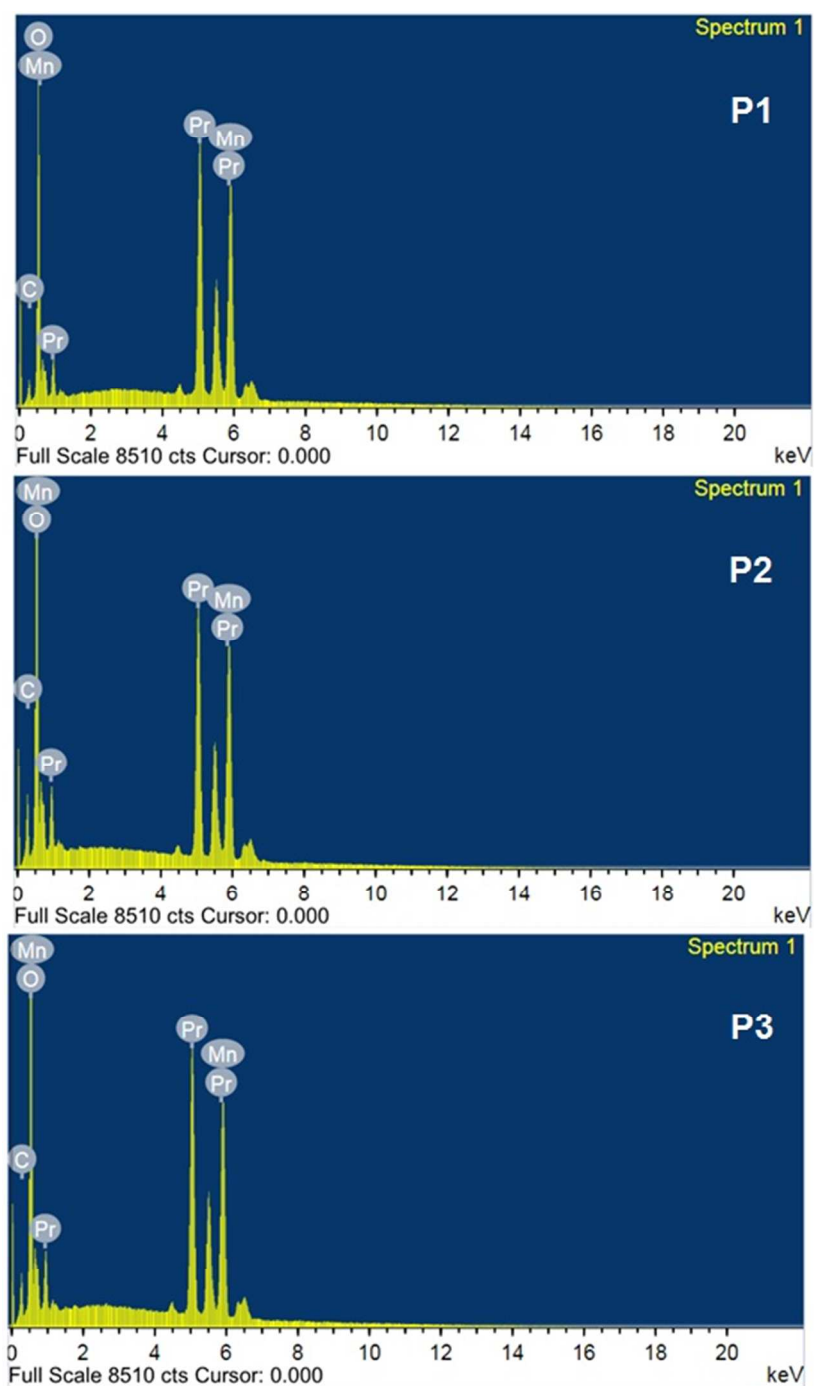


Figure S1: EDAX spectra of P1, P2 and P3.

Elemental Mapping

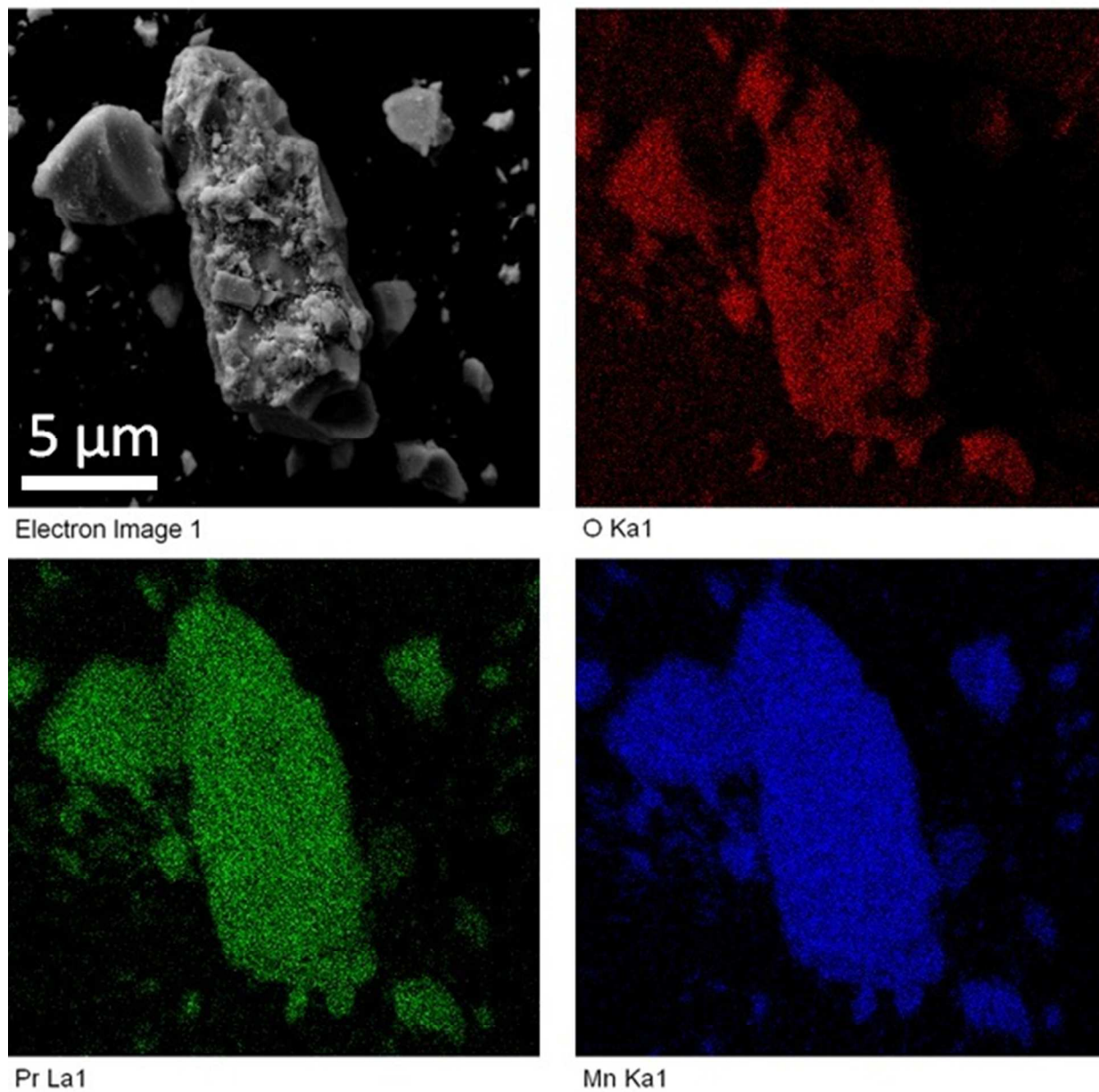
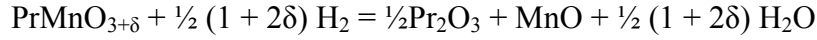


Figure S2: Elemental maps of P1 NPs.

Discussion S1: Gravimetric Analysis of Oxygen Nonstoichiometry

Oxygen Non-stoichiometry Calculation: Oxygen nonstoichiometry in the P1, P2 NPs and P3 particles has been calculated by their reaction at elevated temperatures under reducing atmosphere as follows:



The samples were first preheated at 600°C for 30 min in air to remove moistures and surface bound -OH, -CO₃ groups. The initial weight of the ‘cleaned’ samples was measured (y_1 g). Thereafter the samples were introduced at the center of the quartz tube placed inside a tubular furnace. The samples were heat treated in H₂/He (2:98 v/v) at 900°C for 30 min at the rate of 2°C/min. After cooling, the weight of the products was measured (y_2 g). The non-stoichiometry was calculated as follows:

$$M [\text{PrMnO}_{3+\delta}] / M [\frac{1}{2}\text{Pr}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{MnO}] = y_1/y_2$$

where M is the molecular weight.

Evidence of Spin-glass from ZFC-FC Curves at High Applied Field

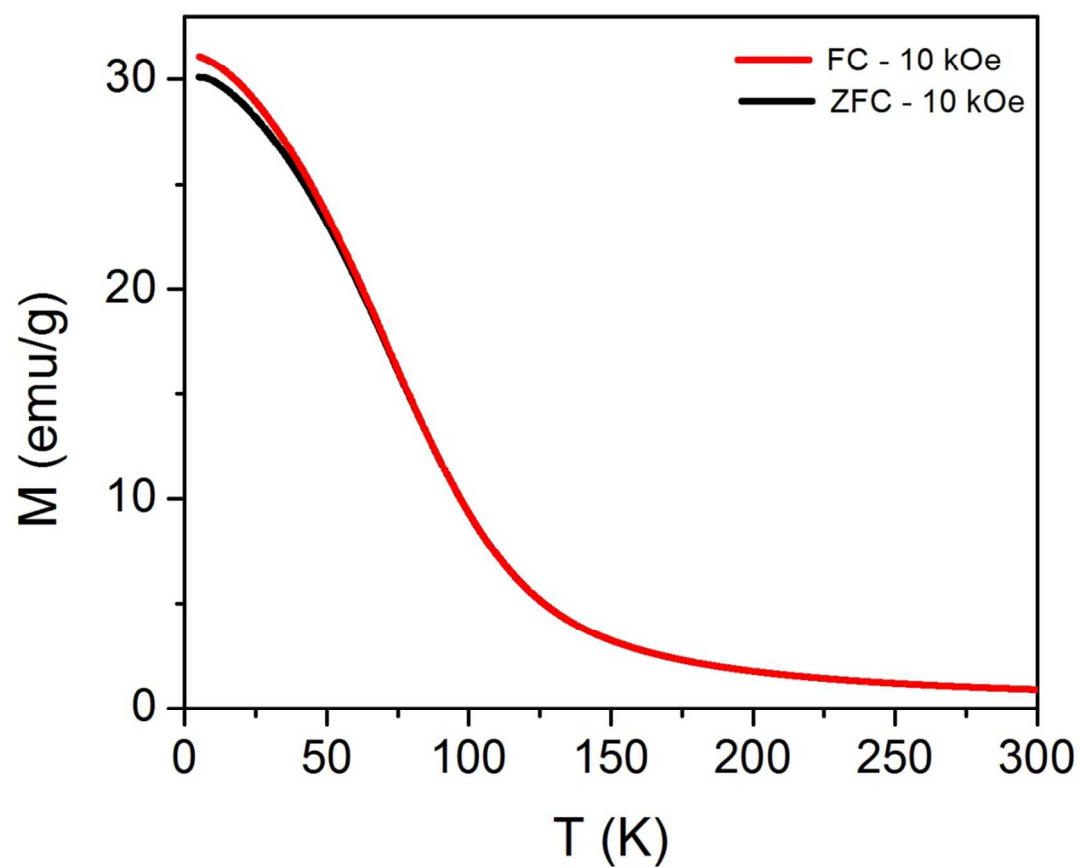


Figure S3: ZFC-FC curves of P1 NPs at 10 kOe applied field.