

Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań

Doctoral School of Exact Sciences AMU

Molecular magnets: fundamentals and applications

Scientific lectures, workshops

Field of science	Physics		
Teaching method	lecture		
Language	English		
Numbers	20		
of hours			
Aims of the course	To acquaint students with: a class of magnetic materials based on non-interacting magnetic molecules, experimental and theoretical methods used in molecular magnetism and potential applications of magnetic molecules.		
Course contents	 Historical introduction, reasons for investigating molecular magnetism, field overview The origin of magnetism in molecules: spin and orbital magnetic moments, dipolar, exchange, super exchange and double exchange interactions, crystal field Experimental characterization of molecular magnets: DC and AC SQUID, EPR, INS, NMR, torque magnetometry, calorimetry Molecular magnets based on transition metals Single ion magnets based on lanthanides. Molecular magnets with mixed valence and itinerant electrons and hybrid molecular magnets Relaxation phenomena: Quantum tunneling of magnetization, Raman, direct and Orbach processes Electronic/spin transport through molecular magnets Single molecule magnets and application in quantum computing Application in: electronics/spintronics, molecular refrigeration, 		
Prerequisites and	Knowledge of:		
co-requisites	a. basic quantum physics		
	b. calculus		
	c. basic knowledge on the undergraduate level on electricity and magnetism d. basic notions from quantum chemistry		

Learning outcomes On completion of the course PhD candidates will be able to: Understand the origin of magnetism in molecules and the difference between the bulk and molecular magnetic materials. Know and understand experimental techniques that can be used to characterize molecular magnets. Know and understand different phenomena, such as for instance Learning outcomes Assessment mode exam exam

relaxation processes, responsible for peculiar properties of molecular			
magnets.			
Recognize main types of molecular magnets		exam	
Know and understand potential applications of molecular magnets in		exam	
spintronics/electronics, quantum information processing, magnetic			
refrigeration, and other			
Read with understanding and refer the literature on molecular		exam	
magnetism.			
Literature	 [1] D. Gatteschi, R. Sessoli, J. Villain, Molecular Nanomagnets, Oxford University Press, 2006. [2] J.F. Bartolomé Fernando Luis Julio Fernández ed., Molecular Magnets Physics and Applications, Springer, 2014. [3] J. Tang, P. Zhang, Lanthanide Single Molecule Magnets, 2015th ed., Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2015 		
Additional information	E_W01, E_W02, E_U01, E_U02, E_U05, E_K01		
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