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Ground State of the Superconductor Parent Compound Rare Earth Nickelates Bulk Single Crystals

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3D bulk perovskite-like nickelates, $RO(RNiO_{3\pm\delta})_n$, ($\delta = 0$; $n = \infty$) are widely known for their spontaneous, temperature-driven Metal-to-Insulator Transition (MIT). The MIT, which occurs in the system, is associated with a specific charge redistribution and subtle structure lowering from $Pbnm$ to $P2_1/n$ space group. Furthermore, the insulating state orders magnetically below Neel temperature (T_N) [1], what is expected to be accompanied by inversion symmetry breaking [2,3]. Simultaneous chemical tailoring and dimensionality adjustment of some family members ($\delta \leq 0$; $n = 5$ or ∞) induce superconductivity with critical temperature (T_c) up to ≈ 15 K [4,5]. That can be realized in thin films by substitution of alkali earth metal in R -site or varying $R : Ni$ ratio, both simultaneously followed by topochemical oxygen uptake. Recent results of ground state tuning between MIT [6], multiferroicity [7], and spin-glass [8,9] in bulk single crystals [6,10] of rare earth nickelates superconductor parent compounds will be presented.

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