Magnetic Ordering in $Ba_3RRu_2O_9$ (R = Tb, Tm)

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The Ru-based compounds are always interesting to study due to the spatially extended 4d-orbitals and substantial spin-orbit coupling leading to a variety of interesting physical properties, like quantum spin liquid and orbital ordering [1,2]. The study becomes further interesting by combining Ru with rare earths (R) owing to the interactions between 4d and 4f electrons leading to a complex magnetic order. Among the various 4f-4d systems, the Ba $_3R$ Ru $_2O_9$ family of compounds have gained special interest owing to their diverse magnetic ground states ranging from ferromagnetic to antiferromagnetic depending upon the R atom [3,4]. In this talk, I will discuss magnetic ordering in polycrystalline Ba $_3R$ Ru $_2O_9$ (R = Tb and Tm) compounds using microscopic techniques of neutron diffraction and muon spin relaxation (MuSR), including their crystal structures, magnetometry results, and potential applications.

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