A Study of Co Substituted Mn-Ferrite, $Mn_{1-x}Co_xFe_2O_4$ (x=0.0,0.5,1.0)

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The $\mathrm{Mn_{1-x}Co_xFe_2O_4}$ (x=0.0,0.5,1.0) materials were prepared by the high-temperature thermal decomposition method and studied for its unique magnetic phenomena of magnetic nanoparticles. The crystal structure is found to be an inverse cubic spinel with a space group of Fd-3m and the lattice constants (a_0) of 8.432, 8.486, and 8.466 Å, respectively. The samples show magnetization (M_s) of 54.2, 29.4, and 46.9 emu/g, respectively. Also, the coercivities (H_c) of all samples are 32.4, 86.9, and 90.7 Oe, respectively. Mössbauer spectra of all samples were obtained at various temperatures. Mössbauer spectra show a ferrimagnetic state of six-line having the hyperfine field (H_{hf}) values of 456, 472, and 475 kOe for the tetrahedral sites and 400, 422, and 430 kOe for the octahedral sites, respectively, which increases with doping Co concentration.

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