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Correlations in low-dimensional magnetic systems result in interesting properties, especially if continuous spin degrees of freedom are involved. Here we observe the magnetic correlations of dipolar-coupled artificial XY moments (circular nanomagnets) on a square lattice as a function of temperature using low-energy muonspin relaxation. For strong interactions between the nanomagnets, we observe the onset of slow collective dynamics below a tunable critical temperature. In contrast, the dynamics in weakly-interacting systems is described by the blocking of individual nanomagnets which happens at considerably lower temperatures.

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