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【817】 Tuning Ferromagnetism at Room Temperature by Visible Light

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Most of the digital information today is encoded in the magnetization of ferromagnetic domains. Writing a bit is usually achieved by rotating domains, which relies on magnetic fields. An alternative approach is to change the magnetic state directly by changing the interaction between spins. Correlated oxides are ideal materials for this because the effect of small external control parameter is amplified by the electronic correlations. Here, we present a radically new method for reversible, light-induced tuning of ferromagnetism at room temperature using a $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3/\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Sr}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ heterostructure. We demonstrate that photo-induced charge carriers from the $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3$ photovoltaic perovskite efficiently dope the $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Sr}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ thin film and melt the ferromagnetism.

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