

## Susceptibility measurements in $\text{Pr}_x\text{La}_{1-x}\text{InAg}_2$ with $\Gamma_3$ doublet ground state

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Recently, Pr-based compounds with the cubic symmetry have attracted much attention because of the discovery of their fascinating features. These features are believed to be related to the quadrupolar Kondo effect proposed by Cox.

We have studied the low-temperature properties of  $\text{Pr}_x\text{La}_{1-x}\text{InAg}_2$  for a wide concentration range of Pr ions. We reported that the susceptibility above  $T=15$  K is well reproduced by the crystal-electric-field level scheme with a non-Kramers  $\Gamma_3$  doublet in the ground state for each concentration, while that below  $T=15$  K shows a non-Fermi-liquid (NFL) behavior with a logarithmic temperature dependence<sup>1</sup>. However, the quadrupolar Kondo theory does not predict NFL behavior in the susceptibility. In order to clarify the origin of NFL behavior in the susceptibility below  $T=15$  K, we measured the susceptibility and magnetization in the lower temperature region down to  $T\sim 0.5$  K by SQUID magnetometer with a home-made <sup>3</sup>He insert.

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