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Magnetocaloric Materials for Hydrogen Liquefaction

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Topical Area #3 – Storage and distribution

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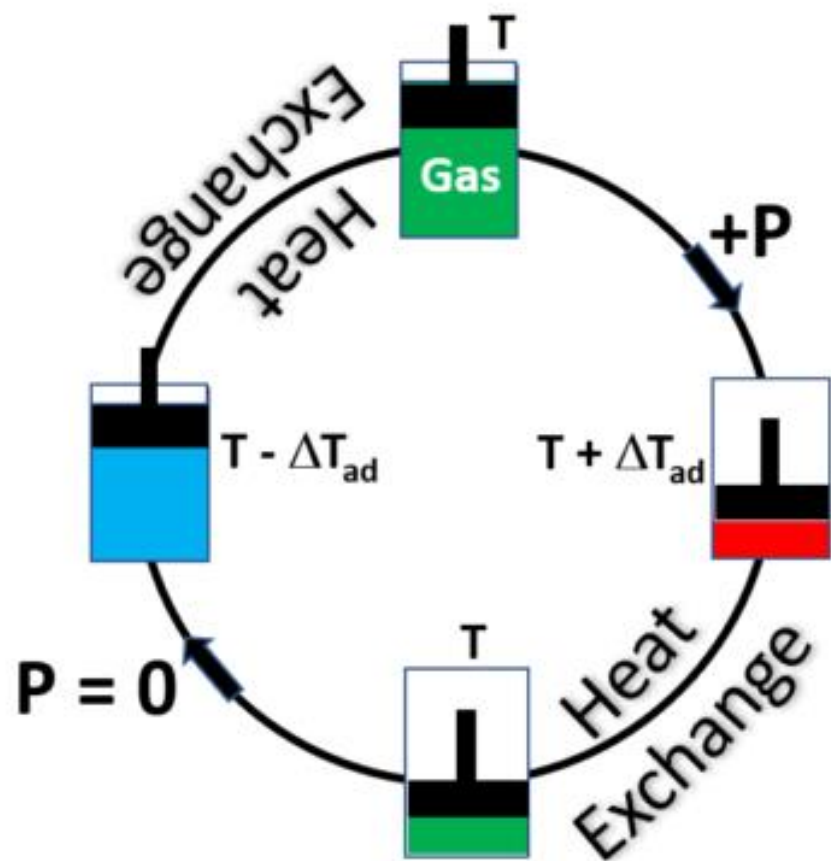
Project: *LIQUID-H*: Hydrogen Liquefaction with Caloric Materials

Why *Liquid* Hydrogen?



Challenges of Conventional Hydrogen Liquefaction

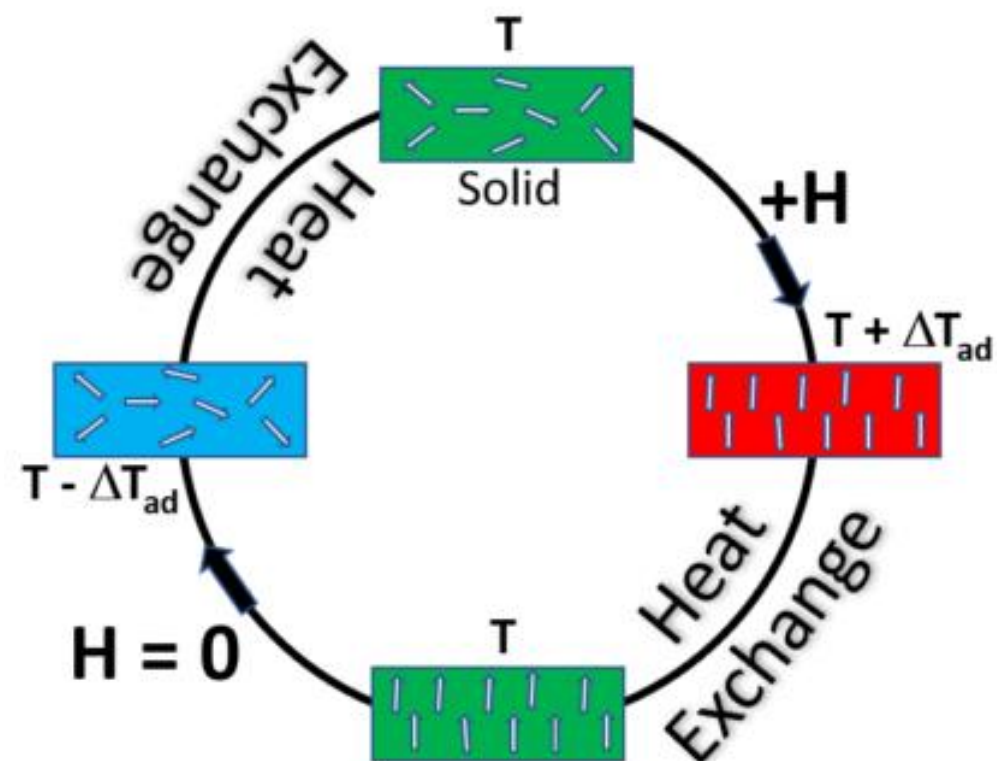




P pressure
H magnetic field
T temperature

hot
ambient
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Gas compression-expansion cycle



Magnetic refrigeration cycle

Applications of Magnetocaloric Cooling

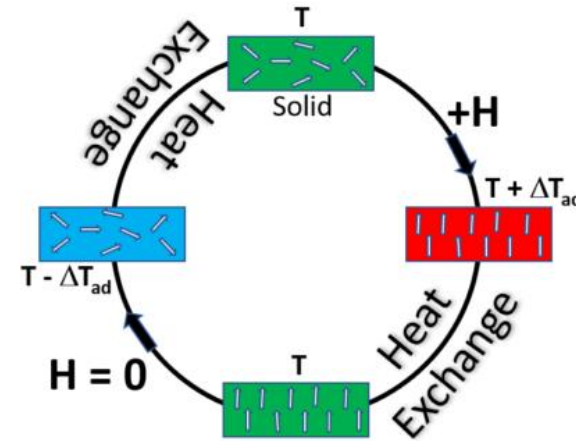
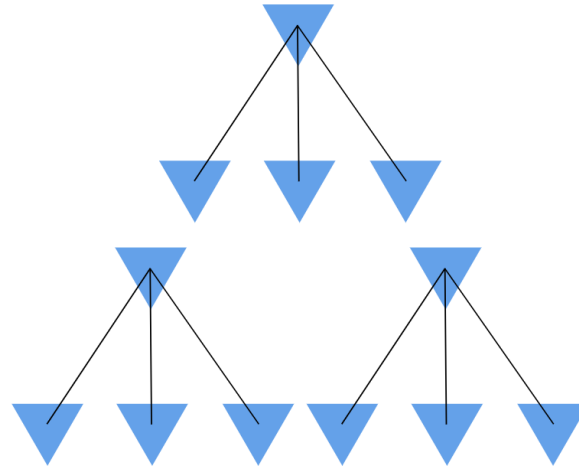
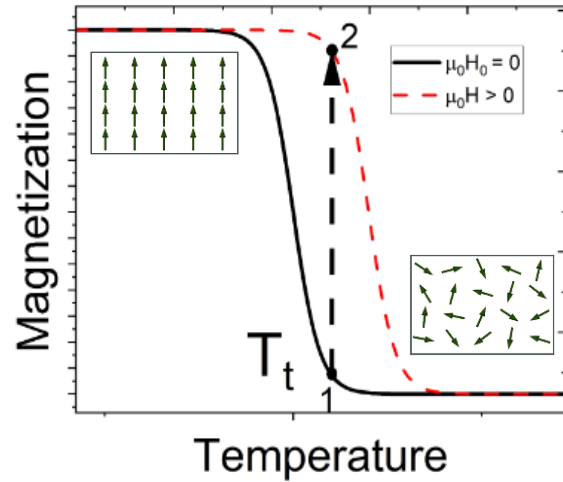


<https://www.coolingpost.com/world-news/debut-for-magnetic-refrigeration-wine-cooler>



<https://www.magnetotherm.com>

My PhD Project



Periodic Table of the Elements

A standard periodic table of elements, color-coded by groups. It includes element symbols and names. The table is organized into rows and columns, with groups labeled at the top and bottom. The elements are arranged in order of increasing atomic number.

Magnetic transition temperature between 20 and 77 K (-253 to -196 °C)

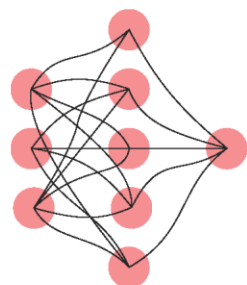
Predict candidates using machine learning models

High magnetocaloric effect and cooling efficiency

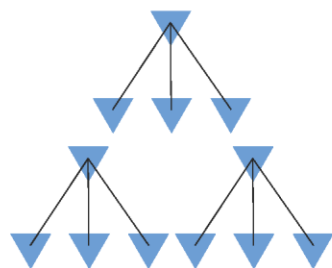
Reduce the amount of critical raw materials

Machine Learning Guided Discovery of Light Rare Earth Laves Phases for Magnetocaloric Hydrogen Liquefaction

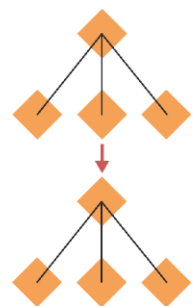
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Neural Network



Random Forest



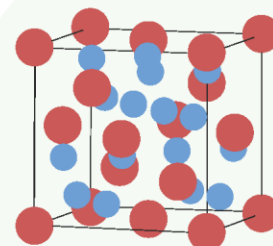
Gradient Boosting

MAE	Neural Network	Random Forest	Gradient Boosting
	20 K	14 K	18 K

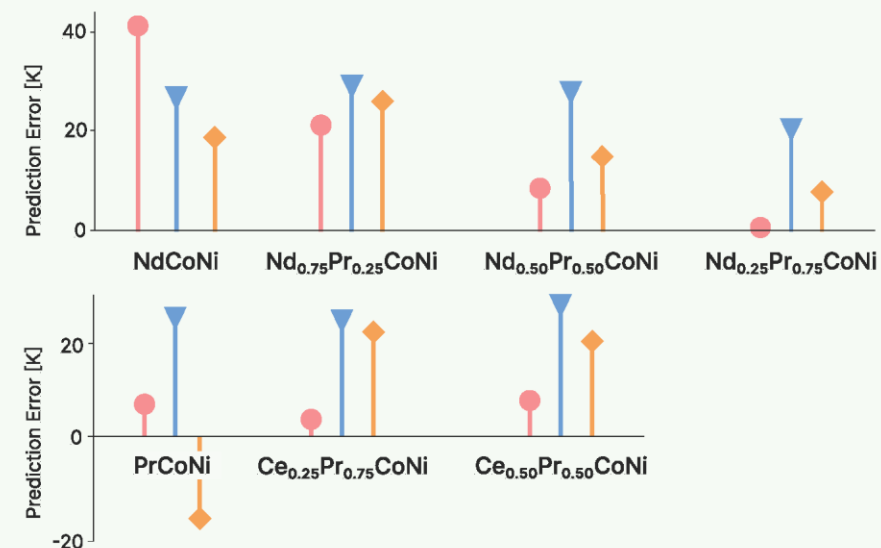
Curie Temperature

20-77 K

Synthesis and characterization of promising compounds

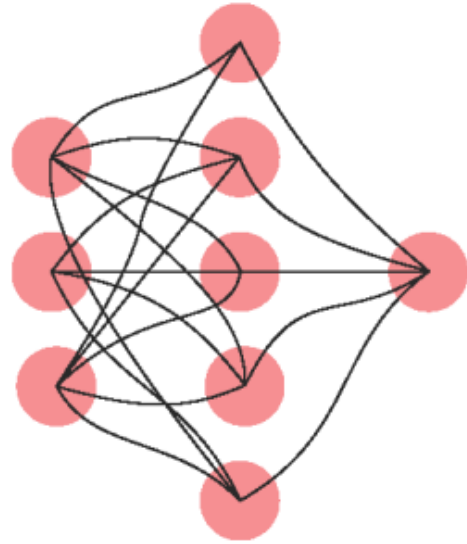


Cubic Laves

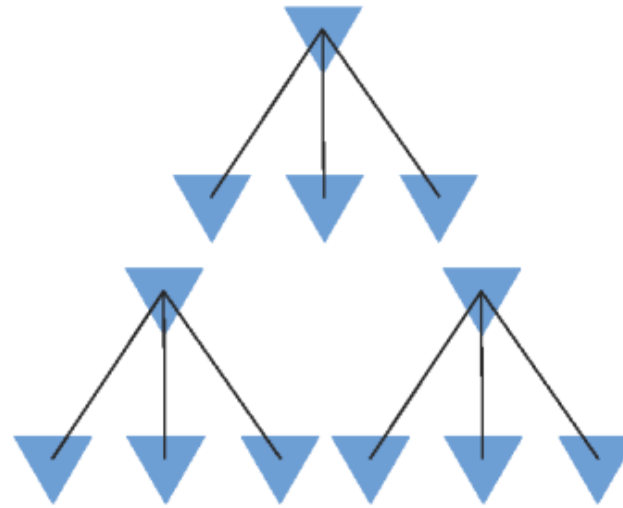


Verification of predicted Curie temperatures and magnetocaloric effect

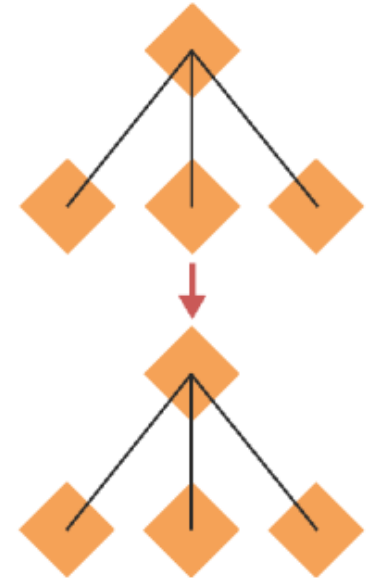
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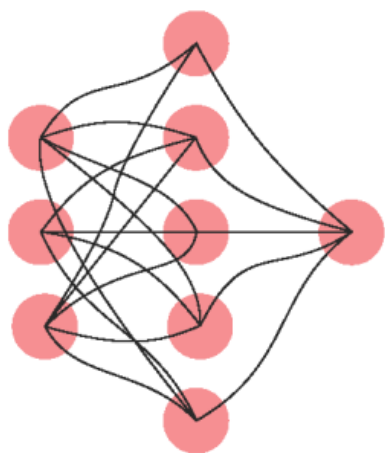
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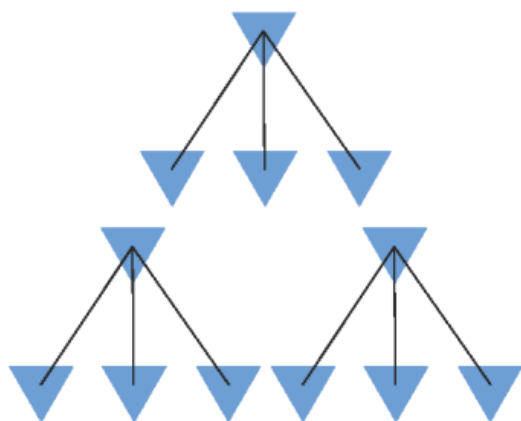
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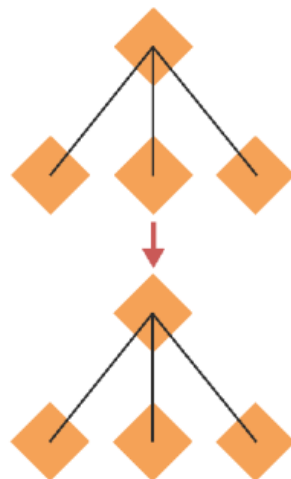
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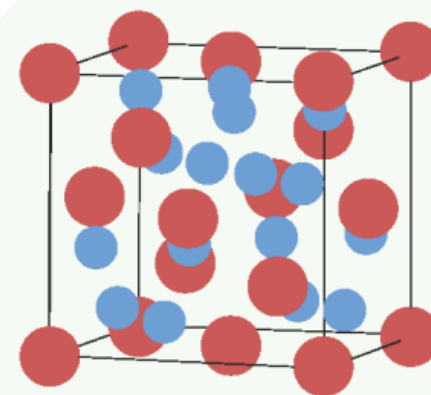
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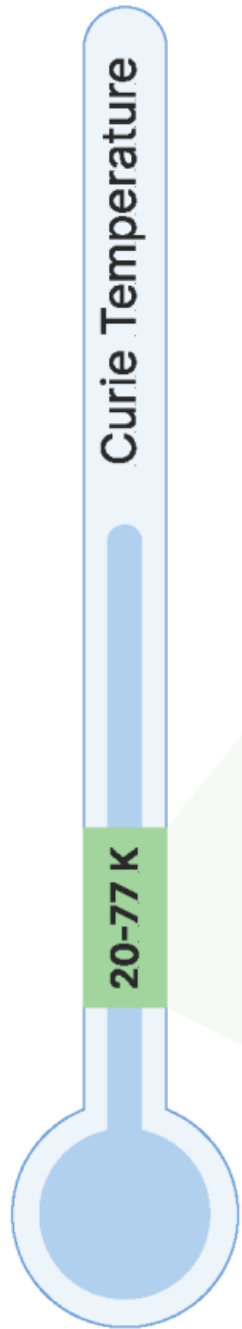
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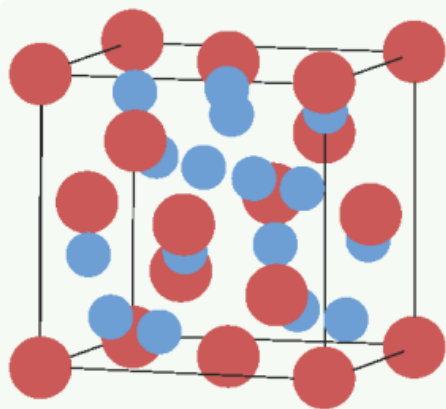
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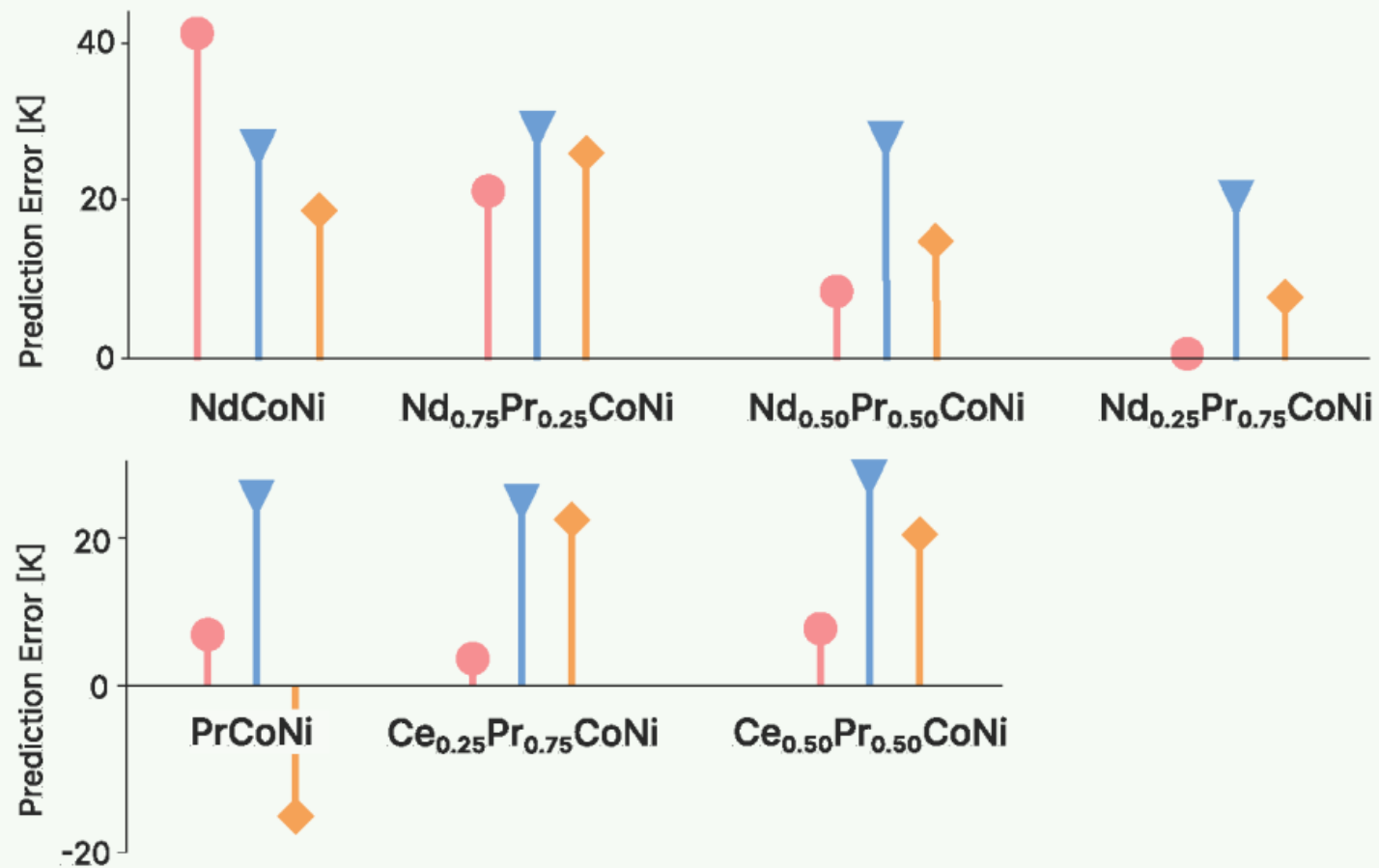
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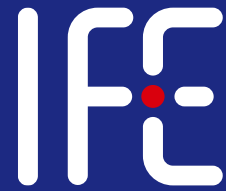
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Thank you for your attention!

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