Caloric materials near ferroic phase transitions

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A magnetically, electrically or mechanically responsive material can undergo significant thermal changes near a ferroic phase transition when its order parameter is modified by the conjugate applied field. The resulting magnetocaloric, electrocaloric and mechanocaloric (elastocaloric or barocaloric) effects are compared here in terms of history, experimental method, performance and prospective cooling applications.

Indian rubber was found to heat when rapidly stretched at the lips of blind natural philosopher John Gough in early nineteenth century England¹. If this heat is dissipated, the rubber then cools when the uniaxial stress is released. Elastocaloric (eC) effects such as these were reported for various materials by Joule² in 1859, shortly after Lord Kelvin had provided a thermodynamic interpretation³ that he subsequently generalised⁴ to predict what would later be called magnetocaloric (MC) and electrocaloric (EC) effects,

driven by magnetic and electric fields. Experimental research into these caloric phenomena is now blossoming, and prototype heat pumps are under active development, so a review is therefore timely. Barocaloric (BC) effects driven by isotropic stress also form part of the story, leading us to coin the term "mechanocaloric" (mC) for a collective description of eC and BC effects (see Box 1 for a glossary of terms and symbols).

Warburg is widely credited with the first experimental observation of MC effects. However, as reported recently⁵, he made no such claim in his 1881 paper⁶ on room-temperature iron, measured well below the Curie temperature. Instead, he described irreversible heating due to magnetic hysteresis, and he did not claim this magnetically driven thermal effect to be novel given that he cited previous work. The 1917 report⁷ of Weiss and Piccard, on nickel near the Curie temperature, represents the first observation of reversible MC effects, but reversibility was not demonstrated therein. Weiss and Piccard coined "magnétocalorique" in French, and merely mentioned in passing that the sample cooled below the starting temperature if the applied field was removed after the magnetically generated heat had dissipated.

Just after the 1930 experimental observation of electrically analogous EC effects in Rochelle salt⁸, MC cooling in paramagnetic salts was exploited to approach absolute zero⁹. This cryogenic technique led Giauque to the 1949 Nobel Prize for chemistry, and is still exploited in scientific laboratories to achieve millikelvin temperatures over finite hold times. Sustained MC cooling was first demonstrated^{10,11} in the 1950s using paramagnetic salts below 1 K, and then near room temperature in 1976 by exploiting the

ferromagnetic phase transition in gadolinium¹². This latter work by Brown was seminal, as it introduced regenerators, which dramatically increase the temperature span that can be achieved in a prototype heat pump based on any of the three caloric effects (see Prototypes and applications). As a result, research publications on MC cooling began to increase (inset, Fig. 1).

The nineteen eighties, nineties and subsequent noughties saw, respectively, the observation of large mC, MC and EC effects near structural phase transitions. These three so-called "giant" caloric effects were thus reported in the same order as the three caloric effects. The giant mC effects were found in the shape-memory alloy Cu_{69,6}Al_{27,7}Ni_{2,7} as part of a thermodynamic study into martensitic transitions; the giant MC effects were found¹⁴ near the magnetostructural transition in metallic Fe₄₉Rh₅₁; and the giant EC effects were found near the ferroelectric transition in films of the ceramic PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₃ (ref. 15) and later two fluorinated polymers¹⁶. Based on citation data, it appears that the discovery of giant EC effects^{15,16} was unique in triggering a significant increase in research activity. Recent research into MC effects was instead primarily stimulated by the 1997 report¹⁷ of giant MC effects in Gd₅Si₂Ge₂. The current resurgence of mC research¹⁸⁻²⁰ may have been stimulated by work on the other two caloric effects. Publication trends are shown in Fig. 1. A selection of giant caloric effects are summarised in Tables 1-3 and Fig. 2, using the conventional but arbitrary practice of mass normalization. For the same materials, Supplementary Information presents the relevant data with mass, molar and volume normalizations, first without (Figs S1-S3, Tables S1-S3) and then with (Tables S4-S6) additional normalization by applied field.

This review is inspired by the now parallel development of all three caloric effects, which have been studied separately until very recently²¹. A caloric material that can develop thermal changes in response to more than one species of driving field is multicaloric. There are likely to be many multicaloric materials given that the structural degree of freedom, which underpins mC effects, is typically responsible for enhancing MC and EC effects. However, MC and EC effects have not been reported in the same material, just as it is rare to find multiferroic materials showing both ferromagnetism and ferroelectricity.

Our focus will be primarily scientific, but we will discuss prototype cooling devices based on all three caloric effects, and we will discuss the challenges that must be overcome in order to permit the possibility of applications. Several reviews describe MC materials extensively (e.g. refs 22-26), so our section on these is deliberately brief. Along with a book²⁷, several reviews on EC materials have recently appeared (e.g. refs 28-30) and most of these are brief. We have tended to cite a limited selection of original reports and only a few review articles, as the permitted number of cited references is limited.

Measurement protocols

If a caloric material at some given starting temperature experiences a change of applied field, then one may evaluate adiabatic temperature change ΔT , isothermal entropy change ΔS , and isothermal heat Q (Table 4). Direct measurements are ultimately desirable, but can be challenging, so it is common practice to use indirect and quasi-direct methods (Box 2). Ideally, both ΔT and Q should be measured independently near the phase transitions at which caloric effects peak, as their interconversion via $Q \approx c\Delta T$ is

compromised by the assumption that specific heat capacity c does not depend on temperature and field. Entropy cannot be measured directly, but changes in this state variable ΔS are commonly reported instead of Q.

Direct measurements of temperature change may be performed using contact or non-contact thermometry, with or without spatial resolution. However, direct measurements of heat are rare, as few existing calorimeters permit the application of variable magnetic, electric or stress fields. Values of ΔT and Q that are directly measured on heating and cooling can be underestimated due to heat leaks between samples and surroundings, especially in the case of BC materials surrounded by a pressure medium. In calorimetry, the measured heat does not correspond to Q if the driving field changes too quickly for isothermal conditions to be maintained, and errors arise if the sensor is not accurately calibrated on the measurement timescale or if the sensor makes poor thermal contact with the sample. If there is eddy-current heating (MC materials), Joule heating (EC materials) or frictional heating (mC materials), then values of ΔT and Q obtained on cooling will tend to be more conservative than values obtained on heating. Direct measurements are therefore challenging, as the issues discussed here have the potential to compromise caloric data (Tables 1-3, Fig. 2).

For mC materials, direct measurements of ΔT are routine but non-trivial. Thermometers have been used when varying isotropic³¹⁻³⁴ or uniaxial^{13,35-37} stress, and infra-red cameras have been used when varying uniaxial stress to image bulk samples^{36,38} or a free-standing eC film³⁹. Quasi-direct measurements have also been used to study mC materials^{20,31,32}.

However, indirect mC measurements are rare^{19,40}, even though they are typically not compromised by heat leaks. If the applied stress varies rapidly then heat leaks can be minimised when making direct measurements of ΔT . Rapid changes in stress are difficult to achieve when increasing hydrostatic pressure, but are otherwise feasible, and could in future be realised using on-chip cantilevers. Only a small force would be required, just as only a small voltage is required to drive EC effects in films¹⁵.

Indirect MC measurements are common because direct MC measurements are considered challenging²². This is partly because it is necessary to consider the unwanted influence of driving fields on thermal sensors, but primarily because large changes in driving field $(\mu_0 \Delta H > 1 \text{ T})$ must occur faster than the timescale on which heat can leak. If this adiabatic limit is approached, e.g. using a pulsed field, then measurements of magnetization alone are sufficient⁴¹ to calculate ΔT . For most giant MC materials, direct and quasi-direct measurements of ΔT show good agreement (e.g. refs 17 & 42), but indirect measurements can be compromised if c is assumed to be constant and if there is significant thermal hysteresis. Direct⁴³ and quasi-direct⁴⁴ MC measurements of Q are rare, but they tend to agree with indirect MC measurements obtained via $Q = T\Delta S$. Thermal imaging data for MC phenomena are even rarer⁴⁵.

For bulk EC materials that display negligible 46-48 or substantial 49 field hysteresis, indirect thermal measurements agree well with directly measured data, despite low sample thermal conductivities. For films, which display the largest EC effects, indirect measurements 15,16 dominate the literature because direct measurements are challenging

for two reasons. First, active film volume is small as electrical breakdown is limited by reducing both film thickness and active area. Second, substrates have high thermal masses. However, values of $|\Delta T|$ in EC films have been directly measured, using small-bead thermistors attached to free-standing polymer membranes^{50,51}, and using a larger resistance thermometer attached to the terminal of a multilayer capacitor (MLC)⁵². These direct measurements confirmed indirect measurements for ergodic systems^{50,52}, whereas the failure to achieve any such confirmation for a non-ergodic relaxor ferroelectric⁵¹ could possibly be rectified via suitable measurement protocols. Direct EC measurements of macroscopic samples have also been achieved using an infra-red camera and a scanning-probe tip containing a resistance thermometer⁵³. It is possible that the latter technique may be able to detect EC effects in films with substrates present, enabling rapid characterization of large EC effects.

To avoid breakdown and ageing in both EC and mC materials, it is necessary to be conservative when applying the driving field, but to achieve large caloric effects it is necessary to be bold. This dilemma appears to go unreported, even though reliability issues are well known in ferroelectrics, and even though it represents a significant technological issue given that the performance reported in scientific publications likely overestimates the performance that could reliably be achieved at some fraction of the breakdown field.

Magnetocaloric materials

At finite temperatures, thermal energy precludes any significant field-driven reduction in the molar entropy $R\ln(2J+1)$ of independent magnetic moments (J is the angular momentum quantum number for each moment, R is the universal gas constant). However, near finite-temperature magnetic phase transitions, laboratory fields corresponding to several tesla can drive substantial MC effects, as seen in the latter half of the twentieth century using crystalline and amorphous materials based on rare-earth and transition-metal elements⁵⁴. These observations were initially exploited for the study of phase transitions and magnetic interactions, but the 1976 refrigerator prototype¹² based on gadolinium sparked interest in cooling applications near room temperature.

Even today, the active material in most prototype heat pumps remains gadolinium⁵⁵, as the large magnetization (\sim 7.5 μ_B/Gd) affords large anhysteretic MC effects near the 294 K second-order ferromagnetic transition in this readily available material^{12,42}. Prototype heat pumps have barely exploited the "giant" MC materials that show slightly larger MC effects near room-temperature first-order magnetostructural phase transitions (Table 1, Fig. 2). These transitions may be conventional or inverse, may arise between states that are magnetically ordered and states that are magnetically ordered or disordered, and may involve changes of symmetry or just volume. The structural degree of freedom is key to giant MC effects, as it more than compensates the dilution of the high-moment elements. It can therefore be used to tune giant MC effects (see Tuning section), and it permits mC effects in giant MC materials^{20,31,32,56,57}.

It is possible to enhance aspects of MC performance by exploiting structural variations on different length scales. At the unit-cell level, one may exploit the different mechanistic roles of the different layers via first-principles design⁵⁸. On longer length scales, superlattices⁵⁹ and composites⁶⁰ combining more than one MC composition can increase the range of operating temperatures, as can inhomogeneous strain⁶¹. On even longer length scales, the introduction of a metallic phase permits good thermal conductivity⁶², just as metallic electrodes carry heat between EC layers and MLC terminals^{52,63}. Structural variations can therefore confer various advantages, but they tend to dilute active regions and increase hysteresis. Hysteresis may therefore be reduced by suppressing inhomogenous strain, as shown using porous⁶⁴ or fragmented⁶⁵ samples, whose large surface area-to-volume ratios facilitate heat transfer with fluids, e.g. in MC beds.

It is also possible to improve aspects of MC performance via chemical tuning. Alloying $Gd_5Si_2Ge_2$ with iron⁶⁶ reduces magnetic hysteresis by 90% and broadens but shortens the peak in $|\Delta S(T)|$; the interstitial introduction of mobile hydrogen to $La(Fe_{1-x}Si_x)_{13}$ increases the operating temperature from 195 K to 323 K without compromising the MC effect⁶⁷; and tuning sample composition to merge magnetic and structural transitions can create new magnetostructural transitions for the study of MC effects⁶⁸.

Electrocaloric materials

The EC effect is the converse of the pyroelectric effect in which changes of temperature modify electrical polarization. Today, pyroelectricity is exploited in applications that include infra-red cameras, burglar alarms and fingerprint sensors. However, its influence was recorded far earlier by the ancient Greek philosopher Theophrastus, who observed that heated rocks of tourmaline attract debris. EC effects were first reported⁸ two millenia later in 1930, via qualitative measurements that formed part of a wider investigation into Rochelle salt (NaKC₄H₄O₆·4H₂O), the piezoelectric material in which ferroelectricity had been discovered ten years earlier, following more than two centuries of medicinal use. There was subsequently very little EC research until the 1960s, but by the end of that decade there had been quantitative EC studies on hydrogen-bonded ferroelectrics, ceramic perovskites and doped halides.

Before discussing EC developments after 1930, let us compare the performance that might be expected of hydrogen-bonded ferroelectrics and ceramic perovskites, which unlike doped halides show phase transitions, and therefore significant EC effects well away from absolute zero. Ceramic perovskites have traditionally been understood to show purely displacive ferroelectric transitions associated with small entropy changes. Hydrogen-bonded ferroelectrics have traditionally been understood to show purely order-disorder phase transitions associated with large entropy changes. However, there is evidence that hydrogen-bonded ferroelectric transitions show some displacive character ⁶⁹, and there is evidence that ferroelectric transitions in perovskites possess an order-disorder character that may be understood in terms of the number of directions

along which instantaneous cation displacements are permitted⁷⁰. As discussed below, the relative performance of ceramic perovskites and hydrogen-bonded ferroelectrics is therefore blurred, especially because even purely displacive transitions may show large entropy changes associated with soft polar vibrational modes.

Following the 1930 discovery paper⁸, we are led to believe that the US and Japanese navies explored the possibility of using EC effects to cool submarines during World War II (Kenji Uchino, private communication), but no EC reports were published until 1950, when an indirect measurement of $|\Delta T| \sim 1$ K in response to $|\Delta E| = 10$ kV cm⁻¹ was reported near the ~125 K ferroelectric transition of potassium dihydrogen phosphate (KDP)⁷¹. Other hydrogen-bonded ferroelectrics were subsequently studied in the 1960s, and a similar strength response $|\Delta T/\Delta E|$ was found in triglycine sulfate (TGS)⁷², where $|\Delta T| \sim 0.1$ K was produced by $|\Delta E| = 1.7$ kV cm⁻¹ near ~323 K. However, the discovery material Rochelle salt was found⁴⁸ to display a grossly inferior response of just $|\Delta T| \sim 4$ mK in $|\Delta E| \sim 1.4$ kV cm⁻¹ at 295 K.

Also in the 1960s, various dielectric materials were investigated for cryogenic EC refrigeration, e.g. the ceramic perovskite SrTiO₃ ($|\Delta E| = 7 \text{ kV cm}^{-1} \text{ produced } |\Delta T| \sim 0.3 \text{ K}$ near 11.5 K)⁷³, and KCl with dipoles comprising K⁺ vacancies paired with Li⁺ dopants ($|\Delta E| = 41 \text{ kV cm}^{-1} \text{ produced } |\Delta T| \sim 0.5 \text{ K}$ near 2 K)⁷⁴. Temperatures below 1 K could be achieved⁷⁵ by varying an electric field that lifted the degeneracy of dipolar hydroxyl impurities in KCl, but the most highly cited work on EC effects until 2011 remained the 1965 report⁷⁴ on Li-doped KCl.

By the 1960s, ferroelectricity had also been discovered in ceramic perovskites. Materials such as BaTiO₃ (ref. 76) and doped/undoped Pb(Zr,Ti)O₃ (ref. 46) were found to display similar EC effects to KDP ($|\Delta T| \sim 1 \text{ K in } |\Delta E| \sim 10 \text{ kV cm}^{-1}$)⁷¹, but at room temperature and above. Over the subsequent decades, a range of perovskite compositions was investigated, but there were no significant improvements in EC performance. However, variations in the doping^{77,78} and B-site disorder⁷⁸ of PbSc_{0.5}Ta_{0.5}O₃ permitted $|\Delta T| = 1-1.8 \text{ K}$ to be obtained with $|\Delta E| = 20-30 \text{ kV cm}^{-1}$ in a wide range of temperatures near room temperature (210-310 K). The largest EC temperature change in bulk materials remained for a long time the directly measured value of $|\Delta T| = 2.5$ K in response to $|\Delta E| = 30 \text{ kV cm}^{-1}$, near the 434 K Curie temperature of $Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}(Zr_{0.75}Sn_{0.20}Ti_{0.05})_{0.98}O_3$ (ref. 47). However, it was recently found that $|\Delta E| = 130 \text{ kV cm}^{-1}$ in Ba_{0.65}Sr_{0.35}Ti_{0.997}Mn_{0.003}O₃ ceramics prepared by spark plasma sintering produced⁷⁹ $|\Delta T| = 3.1$ K near 293 K, and that $|\Delta E| = 160$ kV cm⁻¹ in bulk $0.9 \text{PbMg}_{1/3} \text{Nb}_{2/3} \text{O}_3 - 0.1 \text{PbTiO}_3$ (0.9 PMN-0.1 PT) thinned to 80 µm produced $|\Delta T| = 3.5 \text{ K}$ near 400 K [H. Uršič, B. Rožič, Z. Kutnjak, J. Holc, M. Kosec, private communication].

EC studies have been resurgent since 2006 (Fig. 1), when 350 nm-thick sol-gel films of the ceramic PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₃ were found to show large values of $|\Delta T| = 12$ K, in response to relatively large values of $|\Delta E| = 480$ kV cm⁻¹ near the 495 K Curie temperature¹⁵. The EC effects in this film were thus driven harder than they could be driven in any bulk sample, by exploiting the generic inverse relationship between breakdown field and sample thickness. Shortly thereafter, similar values of $|\Delta T| = 12.5$ K were reported¹⁶ nearer to room temperature for two types of ~1 μ m-thick spin-cast polymer film, namely

the ferroelectric poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) [P(VDF-TrFE)] driven at 353 K with $|\Delta E| = 2090$ kV cm⁻¹, and the relaxor P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) driven at 328 K with $|\Delta E| = 3070$ kV cm⁻¹ (CFE is chlorofluoroethylene). The polymer films thus required larger driving fields than the ceramic films¹⁵, but they showed a five-fold improvement of mass-normalized EC heat |Q|. However, the volume-normalized values of |Q| are similar for these ceramic and polymer films (Supplementary Fig. S3 and Table S2) such that the ceramic films outperform the polymer films in terms of the resulting values of $|Q/\Delta E|$ (Supplementary Table S5)⁸⁰.

Large EC effects have now been reported in various ceramic and polymer films (Table 2, Fig. 2), with relaxors tending to show broad transitions. Large EC effects were confirmed via direct $|\Delta T| \sim 12$ K measurements of polymer films^{50,51} (see Measurement protocols). Direct measurements also reveal that a free-standing 65 μ m-thick film⁸¹ of 0.65PMN-0.35PT, and a bulk platelet of similar composition and thickness⁸², show similar EC effects. This circumstantially suggests that the EC performance of ceramic samples does not depend strongly on processing details, whereas this is unlikely to be the case for polymers whose crystallinity is typically partial.

Microscopic insight into the EC effect would likely benefit from wider studies of crystallographically textured films, epitaxial films and single crystals. Single crystals can possess particularly sharp phase transitions that may be driven by relatively small electric fields, yielding giant EC strengths⁴⁹ $|Q/\Delta E|$, $|\Delta S/\Delta E|$ and perhaps $|\Delta T/\Delta E|$. A better understanding of EC effects could permit upper bounds on EC performance to be

predicted⁸³, but the possible existence of edge layers⁸⁰ could complicate matters. One might also investigate inverse EC effects⁸⁴, processing routes that increase the breakdown fields in polycrystalline samples, and alternative ferroelectric materials such as liquid crystals and solid HCl.

Mechanocaloric materials

Giant mC effects may be driven near structural phase transitions, and therefore arise in most giant MC and EC materials, as well as in materials that display purely structural phase transitions (Table 3, Fig. 2). Giant mC effects may be also driven reversibly well away from the hysteretic regime of first-order transitions 13,19,35 , unlike MC effects for which the applied field is limited, and unlike EC effects for which breakdown may occur. Therefore giant mC effects in a single material may be driven reversibly over a wide range of temperatures, cf. relaxor ferroelectrics. Below we discuss the small body of work on eC effects due to changes of uniaxial stress $|\Delta \sigma_{\rm u}|$. We will then discuss the relatively recent work on BC effects due to changes of isotropic stress, i.e. changes of hydrostatic pressure $|\Delta p|$. Both non-ferroic and ferroic materials will feature in our discussions.

Elastocaloric materials

Over 150 years ago, Joule² reported that metals and dry woods show room-temperature eC effects of $|\Delta T| \sim 0.2$ K, due to reversible elastic heat. He also reported that tensile (compressive) stress produced inverse (conventional) eC effects of similar strength in rubber, due to structural phase transitions associated with polymer chain alignment.

Around one century later, in the 1960s, hydroxyl-doped KCl was proposed for cryogenic eC cooling, in the same report⁷⁵ that proposed cryogenic EC cooling using the same material (see Electrocaloric materials). However, on starting at 1.4 K and removing 12 GPa of compressive stress, frictional heating reduced an expected cooling of 0.23 K to 0.13 K.

More recently, order-of-magnitude larger eC effects due to order-of-magnitude smaller stresses have been observed near low-temperature structural phase transitions in rare-earth compounds such as HoAs (ref. 34), Ce₃Pd₂₀Ge₆ (ref. 34), and CeSb (ref. 85). Even larger eC effects near room-temperature structural phase transitions have been copper-based observed shape-memory alloys $(|\Delta T|$ 12-15 $|\Delta \sigma_0| \sim 0.1 - 0.2 \text{ GPa})^{13,19,35}$ and Fe_{68.8}Pd_{31.2} alloys ($|\Delta T| = 3 \text{ K for } |\Delta \sigma_0| \sim 0.2 \text{ GPa})^{86}$, and predicted in the oxyfluoride $(NH_4)_2MoO_2F_4$ $(|\Delta T| \sim 15 \text{ K} \text{ for } |\Delta \sigma_u| \sim 9 \text{ GPa or }$ $|\Delta p| = 0.7 \text{ GPa})^{87}$. These eC effects are stronger than those arising near the magnetostructural phase transition in Fe₄₉Rh₅₁ ($|\Delta T| \sim 5$ K for $|\Delta \sigma_u| \sim 0.50$ GPa)^{56,57}, which was not mechanically driven in full given that it supports a slightly larger MC effect⁵⁶ of $|\Delta T| \sim 8$ K. Prototypical shape-memory alloys of Ni-Ti show the largest eC effects ($|\Delta T| \sim 20\text{-}40 \text{ K}$ for $|\Delta \sigma_0| \sim 0.8 \text{ GPa}$)³⁶⁻³⁸, and it has been shown that chemical doping can suppress mechanical fatigue³⁹, and both hysteresis and thermal fatigue⁸⁸.

Barocaloric materials

In 1998, K. Alex Müller and co-workers reported a small inverse BC effect at 350 K, near a structural transition in the polycrystalline nickelate $Pr_{0.66}La_{0.34}NiO_3$ ($\Delta T \sim -0.2$ K

on applying $\Delta p = 0.5$ GPa)³³. However, the cooling associated with the transition was strongly diminished to the measured value by elastic heat arising from the compression of the interconvertible phases on either side of the transition, so larger pressures ($|\Delta p| > 1$ GPa) increased rather than decreased sample temperature. This elastic heat was accessible over a wide range of temperatures, and may well be reversible assuming no intergranular friction³⁴. It is no surprise that BC effects associated with a phase transition may be thus dwarfed by elastic heat, given that large and reversible BC effects have been observed in non-ferroic poly(methyl methacrylate) at finite temperatures (starting at 368 K, $|\Delta T| \sim 9$ K for $|\Delta p| = 0.18$ GPa)⁸⁹.

However, BC effects due to first-order magnetostructural transitions typically dominate elastic heat. Driving one such transition with $\Delta p = -0.48$ GPa at 60 K caused³⁴ $\Delta T \sim -0.5$ K in the polycrystalline rare-earth compound EuNi₂(Si_{0.15}Ge_{0.85})₂, and this measured cooling may be an order-of-magnitude underestimate due to heat leaks³⁴. Large BC effects have now been observed²⁰ near room temperature, in a superelastic magnetic alloy of Ni_{49.26}Mn_{36.08}In_{14.66}, where pressure-dependent calorimetry data yielded $|\Delta T| \sim 4.5$ K for $|\Delta p| = 0.26$ GPa. The transition that supports this conventional BC effect also supports an inverse MC effect²⁰, whereas the intermetallic LaFe_{11.33}Co_{0.47}Si_{1.2} shows inverse BC effects and conventional MC effects³². Moreover, the giant MC material Gd₅Si₂Ge₂ shows conventional MC effects and conventional BC effects³¹. Therefore, as expected, giant MC materials represent fertile ground for the study of mC effects.

Tuning caloric materials with stress

Caloric effects driven by one field may be modified when a second type of field is held fixed. For example, MC effects in ferromagnetic films peak at a Curie temperature that may be modified by applying an electric field via a gate or a piezoelectric substrate. Of particular interest here are giant MC and EC effects arising near structural phase transitions that may be tuned with stress. Stress can modify the magnitude of a caloric effect, the operating temperature, the order of the transition, and any hysteretic losses arising. Stress can even create phase transitions in non-ferroic and ferroic systems, permitting large caloric effects to be explored in an expanded range of materials.

Most reports on caloric effects under mechanical boundary conditions focus on MC effects under hydrostatic pressure $^{90-92}$. Pressure modifies the height, the width and the position of the peak in $|\Delta S(T)|$. For giant MC materials, the large shift in peak position 91,92 (at typically $\pm (50-150)$ K GPa⁻¹) is consistent with large BC effects. If a first-order magnetostructural transition is magnetically driven forwards and backwards at different pressures, then hysteretic losses associated with the resulting MC effects can be significantly reduced, e.g. by one order of magnitude in Ni_{45.2}Mn_{36.7}In₁₃Co_{5.1} (ref. 93). Separately, a first-order magnetostructural transition can be created, rather than modified, by using pressure to merge a second-order magnetic transition with a first-order structural transition, as shown 94 for Tb₅Si₂Ge₂ where $\Delta p \sim 1$ GPa increases the magnitude of the peak MC effect by $\sim 75\%$.

The effect of pressure on ferroelectric phase transitions in perovskites was studied over half a century ago⁹⁵, but tuning peak EC effects with pressure has not been demonstrated. However, this would be attractive as the pressure-induced suppression of typically high transition temperatures would portend room-temperature effects. For example, the ~400 K Curie temperature of BaTiO₃ is suppressed⁹⁵ at around -50 K GPa⁻¹ (implying a significant BC effect). Similarly, it is well known that ferroelectric phase transitions can be dramatically modified via substrate clamping and epitaxial strain⁹⁶. Substrate clamping could be used to tune the giant EC effects seen in sufficiently thin films, eliminating hysteresis by driving first-order transitions second order^{80,97,98}. Epitaxial strain may be exploited either in order to enhance EC effects by bringing separate transitions into close proximity⁹⁹, or in order to create transitions in incipient ferroelectric materials (such as SrTiO₃ films on DyScO₃ substrates at ~300 K)¹⁰⁰. Therefore large anhysteretic finite-temperature EC effects in films are not necessarily restricted to ferroelectric materials that perform likewise in bulk.

MC materials are not normally studied as films, but it has been shown that the magnetostructural transition in a MnAs film is modified by varying epitaxial strain via the choice of GaAs substrate orientation¹⁰¹. More recently, the ~200 K structural phase transition in BaTiO₃ substrates was exploited¹⁰² to vary strain in epitaxial films of the ferromagnetic manganite La_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO₃. The resulting jump in film magnetization could be modified by an applied magnetic field even though the substrate is non-magnetic. This demonstrated the existence of a strain-mediated feedback mechanism, which was subsequently exploited to yield giant MC effects of similar strength to those seen in giant

MC materials. This extrinsic MC effect was reversible in the ~6 K-wide transition regime, unlike conventional giant MC effects, where the full transition may only be driven reversibly at temperatures away from the transition regime. This strategy of materials juxtaposition expands the range of candidate MC materials, and the future use of alternative geometries would increase active volume fractions and interfacial areas.

Prototypes and applications

Heat pumps based on caloric effects are normally suggested for the cooling of food, medicine, electronics, and the built environment. We will adopt the common focus on refrigeration, but other applications such as air-conditioning may be more forthcoming given that a smaller temperature span is required. Existing refrigerators are based on liquid-vapour transitions, and may operate at up to 60% of the Carnot efficiency¹⁰³, as confirmed by two independent industry experts with whom we spoke. However, efficiencies are not necessarily always this high, the operating fluids constitute greenhouse gases if released into the atmosphere, and the vapour-compression method is not suitable for small cooling devices or fast start-up times. Therefore the caloric effects reviewed in this article could find traditional or other applications, e.g. by displacing inefficient solid-state Peltier coolers. We will see below that the three different caloric effects lie at different stages of maturity in terms of prototype cooling devices.

A load may be cooled sustainably by cyclically driving caloric effects in order to pump heat periodically or continuously according to system design. The construction of prototype heat pumps is challenging, so the vast majority of caloric research papers focus on materials parameters alone. It is common to report field-driven changes in specific entropy ΔS , along with the resulting 'refrigerant capacity' which is obtained by integrating ΔS over temperature in order to discriminate against sharp peaks in $|\Delta S(T)|$, as sharp peaks would present a severe design constraint. Although these quantities have no direct bearing on any refrigeration cycle, large entropy changes portend both a large isothermal heat $Q = T\Delta S$ and a large adiabatic change of temperature $\Delta T \simeq (T\Delta S)/c$ (Fig. 2 plots $|\Delta T|$ against |Q| for selected materials). Temperature change drives heat flow and is therefore a key figure of merit as discussed below, whereas the heat flowing in and out of a caloric material influences—but does not uniquely determine—the cooling power of a heat pump. Cooling power is a second key figure of merit for applications that cannot be established from materials parameters alone.

A third key figure of merit for heat pumps running between hot and cold temperatures $T_{\rm h}$ and $T_{\rm c}$ is the coefficient of performance (COP), given by cooling power divided by input power. If the COP is divided by the limiting $T_{\rm c}/(T_{\rm h}-T_{\rm c})$ value for a Carnot cycle, then the resulting percentage represents the headline efficiency. However, the nomenclature is confusing as the term 'efficiency' most simply describes quantities that compare inputs with outputs, i.e. the COP and the Carnot efficiency but not the headline efficiency. Moreover, the headline efficiency is unduly pessimistic, as a Carnot cycle would require a material capable of developing $|\Delta T| > T_{\rm h} - T_{\rm c}$ in order to permit thermal changes to be driven in all four legs. Nevertheless, it is important to maximise $T_{\rm h} - T_{\rm c}$, as the net rate of heat flow, from a load at $T_{\rm load}$ to a sink at $T_{\rm sink}$, depends on $T_{\rm c} - T_{\rm load}$ and $T_{\rm sink} - T_{\rm h}$. One might expect values of $|\Delta T|$ to represent upper bounds on values of $T_{\rm h} - T_{\rm c}$

but values of $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}$ can exceed $|\Delta T|$ by as much as a small numerical factor if a regenerator is employed.

The regenerator was first demonstrated in 1976 by Brown¹², when T_h - T_c = 47 K was developed between the top and bottom of a fluid column containing Gd plates subjected to cyclical variations in position and field. This is an impressive temperature span given that a field of the magnitude employed ($\mu_0|\Delta H|$ = 7 T from a water-cooled electromagnet) yielded just $|\Delta T|$ = 14 K for Gd alone¹². An even more impressive value of T_h - T_c = 80 K was obtained in a similar study shortly thereafter¹⁰⁵ (Fig. 3).

One may also cyclically displace a heat-exchange fluid through an immobile MC bed. This was described while also describing active magnetic regeneration (AMR)²², which was "active" because the temperature profile was stored in the bed rather than the heat-exchange fluid whose heat capacity was low. A range of compositions permitted different regions along the bed to operate near different optimal temperatures^{22,55,106}. Employing various compositions has also been suggested for EC elements separated by heat switches¹⁰⁷ or thermal diodes¹⁰⁸. Resorting to this level of complexity should ultimately yield larger values of T_h - T_c than a single material can deliver, even if its phase transition is broad (e.g. a relaxor ferroelectric) or strongly field dependent (e.g. mC materials^{13,19,35}).

It is possible to define two types of COP for materials instead of heat pumps. The first type of material COP is defined for a specific refrigeration cycle, and therefore represents an upper bound on the performance of a putative device exploiting that cycle^{54,109}. A value of 30 for this type of materials COP was reported¹⁰⁹ for eC effects in Fe₄₉Rh₅₁ when T_h - T_c = 5 K, falling to 20 when T_h - T_c = 10 K. The second type of materials COP compares reversible isothermal heat Q with the corresponding work W done by the driving field^{80,110}. We will refer to this as a materials efficiency⁸⁰ $\eta = |Q|/|W|$ rather than a COP^{36,110}, to avoid the possibility of false comparison with the Carnot efficiency that bounds device COP. One may increase η by decreasing |Q|, as |W| falls faster, but extending this concept to a heat pump without compromising cooling power would incur the prohibitive technological challenges of high-frequency operation.

Materials efficiency η may be used to compare caloric materials for similar values of |Q|, and these depend on both the method of normalization and the change in driving field⁸⁰. It has been reported that the mC alloy Ni-Ti shows¹¹⁰ $\eta \sim 13$ when $|Q| \sim 16$ J cm⁻³ is developed by $|\Delta \sigma_{\rm u}| \sim 30$ MPa, and it has been reported that EC ceramic and polymer films show⁸⁰ efficiencies in the range $\eta \sim 3$ -8 when $|Q| \sim 30$ J cm⁻³ is developed by $|\Delta E| \sim 1000$ kV cm⁻¹. It remains to establish efficiency values for MC materials, and compare all three types of caloric materials in this way (X. Moya, E. Defay, V. Heine and N. D. Mathur, Commentary in preparation for *Nature Physics*).

Magnetocaloric cooling

MC effects are still exploited to reach ultra-low temperatures in research laboratories, and have been suggested for the liquefaction of nitrogen gas and helium gas. The focus on MC cooling near room temperature has led to over 40 prototype cooling devices⁵⁵, e.g.

using an active magnetic regenerator to pump 51 W with $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm load}$ ~ 18 K, or 9 W with $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm load}$ ~ 40 K (ref. 111). This performance was achieved by driving relatively small MC effects in Gd particles using $\mu_0|\Delta H|=1.5$ T from permanent magnets, but efficiency was not discussed. By contrast, $\mu_0|\Delta H|=7$ T was used to drive the Gd plates in the nominally unloaded prototype of Brown¹⁰⁵ where $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}=80$ K. Achieving this larger field change with an electromagnet was challenging, and would normally require relative motion with respect to a superconducting magnet.

The values of $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm load}$ that can be achieved in lightly loaded prototype MC heat pumps⁵⁵ are comparable with the value of $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}$ ~ 49 K that is required for chilled refrigeration between $T_{\rm load}$ = 3 °C and $T_{\rm sink}$ = 32 °C, assuming that heat flow is driven in domestic refrigerators by setting both $T_{\rm c}$ - $T_{\rm load}$ and $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm h}$ to 10 K (a freezer with $T_{\rm load}$ = -18 °C would require $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}$ ~ 70 K). However, energy efficient MC cooling is not established for these useful values of $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}$. The most highly cited report¹¹² of an MC refrigerator prototype infers an efficiency of ~40% for $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm load}$ ~ 10 K, falling to ~20% for $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm load}$ ~ 20 K. These efficiencies, obtained at limited values of $T_{\rm sink}$ - $T_{\rm load}$, fall short of the putative 60% efficiency for vapour-compression refrigerators. A 60% efficiency, erroneously quoted elsewhere for the fridge in question, has yet to be demonstrated.

Electrocaloric cooling

The first EC refrigerator prototype¹¹³ was developed in the former USSR, in effect reinventing the regenerator concept by cycling liquid pentane over two sets of

0.3 mm-thick PbSc_{0.5}Ta_{0.5}O₃ plates that were electrically driven in antiphase. The largest value of $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}$ ~ 5 K in the nominally unloaded prototype was achieved using $|\Delta E|$ ~ 60 kV cm⁻¹ to drive a non-adiabatic temperature change of 0.9 K in each plate. (Removing the regenerator fluid yielded nominally adiabatic conditions, permitting a higher value of $|\Delta T|$ ~ 1.4 K in the plates, despite the reduction of $|\Delta E|$ ~ 30 kV cm⁻¹ imposed by the reduced breakdown field.) Gaseous helium at 1 MPa proved to be an ineffective regenerator, as only $T_{\rm h}$ - $T_{\rm c}$ ~ 1.8 K could be achieved with $|\Delta E|$ ~ 26 kV cm⁻¹.

Recent publications have demonstrated sustained EC cooling using cyclical mechanical motion, with the EC working body itself as the regenerator 114 (cf. AMR)22, or with a solid regenerator possessing anisotropic thermal conductivity¹¹⁵. In both cases, MLCs formed the working EC bodies, as their interdigitated metallic electrodes provide good thermal access to a macroscopic assembly of EC films^{52,63}. It seems likely that any future applications will be based on MLCs, as they simultaneously overcome all of the disadvantages associated with bulk and film: bulk EC materials show small values of $|\Delta T|$ and low thermal conductivities; whereas EC films pump little heat and tend to come with substrates that constitute thermal anchors. However, existing MLCs mass-produced as electronic components show serendipitous EC effects⁵² of just $|\Delta T| \sim 0.5$ K. If the layers of doped BaTiO₃ were replaced with better EC materials, and if the Ni electrodes were replaced with copper or silver to increase thermal conductivity by a factor of four, then predictions from a lumped thermal model indicate that a 1 m² sheet of MLCs could pump 40 kW via both sets of thermally parallel terminals⁶³. A subsequent finite-element analysis has revealed that substantially larger cooling powers may be achieved by optimizing MLC geometry¹¹⁶. If MLC fabrication could also be optimised, then EC cooling could have a bright future.

Mechanocaloric cooling

Sustained mC cooling was recently demonstrated using NiTi wires under cyclical tensile stress (Ichiro Takeuchi and Jun Cui, private communication). These wires were cyclically connected to a load and a sink via regenerators that comprised mobile reservoirs of aqueous ethanol. The device COP was unity while pumping 15 W, but significant heat leaks limited T_{sink} - T_{load} to 2 K. The oldest known caloric effect was thus the last to be exploited in a cooling device, with plenty of scope for improvement.

Outlook

All three caloric effects were originally reported in the order that their giant counterparts were much later reported. All three caloric effects have now been demonstrated in conventional and inverse form. All three caloric effects have now been studied in bulk samples and films. And all three caloric effects have now been exploited to demonstrate heat-pump prototypes. Here we will discuss the intrinsic merits and demerits of the three competing caloric effects, possible developments in caloric materials, and possible developments in heat-pump design.

Let us compare the three caloric effects in terms of (1) materials cost, (2) propensity to breakdown, (3) ease of field application, and (4) irreversible field-driven heating. (1) MC compounds that do not contain expensive elements are included in current efforts to scale

up materials production. EC ceramics and polymers, along with mC alloys, tend to comprise relatively cheap materials components. (2) A magnetic field might only promote breakdown indirectly via magnetostriction, but electrical breakdown normally limits EC effects, and mC materials under tensile stress are prone to plastic deformation followed by mechanical breakdown. (3) The need to generate several tesla in order to fully drive transitions in giant MC materials is not compatible with the use of (expensive) permanent magnets and typical electromagnets. However, electric fields are so easy to generate that the likely need for hardwired electrodes seems a small price to pay, and stress fields could be electrically generated using actuators or motors. (4) Eddy-current heating due to a changing magnetic field could limit operating frequency and thus cooling power, Joule heating could limit applied electric-field strength, and frictional heating could compromise mC performance.

One factor that could decisively favour EC cooling over MC and mC cooling is energy recovery. This is because at least 80% of the unused electrical work done on capacitors may be readily recovered for subsequent cycles using electronic circuitry (manuscript in preparation, E. Defay, G. Despesse, S. Crossley, X. Moya and N. D. Mathur). One factor that is not likely to determine the relative potential of the three competing caloric materials is thermal conductivity. Even metallic MC and mC materials possess rather low values, hence the need to permeate subdivided caloric material using mobile fluids¹², metallic phases⁶² or metallic layers^{52,63}, as mentioned earlier.

The primary challenge in the development of caloric materials is to increase the values of $|\Delta T|$ and |Q| that may be reliably achieved, whatever the application. One should also seek to reduce the magnitude of the driving field. In these ways, it is possible to increase materials efficiency η , and thus ultimately the COP for any resulting heat pump. However, in order to reversibly drive the large caloric effects associated with hysteretic first-order transitions, at temperatures well away from the coexistence regime, it is necessary for the applied field to exceed some threshold value (except when driving extrinsic MC effects¹⁰²). By contrast, no threshold field is required when driving anhysteretic second-order transitions over a wide range of temperatures. Moreover, second-order transitions may in practice possess only a small peak in heat capacity such that $|\Delta T|$ is not unduly compromised. However, first-order transitions tend to show large heats of transition. Therefore it may prove optimal to operate at the crossover between first and second-order transitions. This could be achieved via strain engineering for EC films^{15,80}, and via composition-spread techniques as demonstrated for mC and MC materials^{88,117}. Alternatively, one might further explore disordered systems with broad phase transitions, namely spin glasses, relaxor ferroelectrics and strain glasses. EC effects in relaxors (denoted (r) in Table 2) have already attracted quite some attention.

There are many challenges in the development of heat pump design that lie well beyond the scope of this article. Applications will likely require heat switches or thermal diodes, but an alternative strategy using an asymmetric sequence of field pulses has been suggested¹¹⁸. Heat switches could comprise Peltier units¹⁰⁷, liquid crystals in which convection¹¹⁹ or reorientation¹²⁰ are electrically controlled, actuators exploiting

field-driven distortions such as those arising in caloric materials themselves, or superconductors for low-temperature applications¹¹. Thermal diodes such as heat pipes¹⁰⁸ require no active control and could therefore prove more attractive than heat switches. Heat pipes are well established tools in thermal management, and operate on the principle that a fluid evaporates at one end when absorbing heat, subsequently condenses at the other end on losing heat, and then trickles back to the hot end due to gravity or capillarity. Solid-state thermal diodes have also been demonstrated^{121,122}, but performance remains unconvincing.

Magnetically driven irreversible heating near room temperature has been exploited for induction cooking and other applications, but it remains to be seen whether reversible caloric effects associated with phase transitions will be exploited in technologically useful devices. There is in any case plenty of scope for interesting science, e.g. the development of microscopic theories for the different types of EC materials, investigations of inhomogeneity using modern imaging methods, and studies of caloric effects in materials that might display ferrotoroidic order of a magnetic or electrical nature 123. Some of the new science will encroach on other fields of research, e.g. thermally mediated magnetoelectric coupling 124, or hitherto unexplored EC effects in ferromagnetic semiconductors away from the Curie temperature 125. It should therefore prove instructive to explore cross-fertilization between the three caloric effects, and how these caloric phenomena interface with other areas of research.

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Box 1: Glossary of terms and symbols

Caloric materials show reversible thermal changes, known as caloric effects, due to changes in applied driving field. Caloric materials and caloric effects are named according to the nature of the applied driving field, or according to the sign of the caloric effect, as described below.

Magnetocaloric materials show reversible thermal changes in response to changes of applied magnetic field $\Delta \mathbf{H}$.

Electrocaloric materials show reversible thermal changes in response to changes of applied electric field ΔE .

Mechanocaloric materials show reversible thermal changes in response to changes of applied stress field $\Delta \sigma$.

Elastocaloric materials show mechanocaloric effects in response to changes of uniaxial stress $\Delta \sigma_u$. Textbooks use 'piezocaloric' for 'elastocaloric'.

Barocaloric materials show mechanocaloric effects in response to changes of isotropic stress, i.e. changes in hydrostatic pressure Δp .

Conventional caloric materials* show $\Delta T > 0$, $\Delta S < 0$ and Q < 0 when the magnitude of the driving field is increased. They arise at transitions between a high-temperature state whose zero-field order parameter is small or zero, and a low-temperature state whose zero-field order parameter is large.

Inverse caloric materials* show $\Delta T < 0$, $\Delta S > 0$ and Q > 0 when the magnitude of the driving field is increased. They arise at transitions between a low-temperature state whose zero-field order parameter is small or zero, and a high-temperature state whose zero-field order parameter is large.

Multicaloric materials can support more than one type of caloric effect.

Hitherto unobserved **multicaloric effects** would arise if more than one type of caloric effect were driven simultaneously or sequentially in a single sample.

[†]MC effects are normally driven by changes in field magnitude, but rotating fields can drive MC effects via magnetostructural spin-reorientation transitions¹⁴⁶.

*For elastocaloric effects, we suggest employing these two definitions for compressive stress, and inverting the six inequalities for tensile stress.

Relaxor ferroelectrics appear to possess broad ferroelectric phase transitions when electrically interrogated on practical timescales, but in reality they are dipolar glasses

with no spontaneous ferroelectric phase transitions due to chemical disorder.

Box 2: Indirect and quasi-direct methods

Values of isothermal ΔS may be obtained via the indirect and quasi-direct methods described below. It is common to normalise by mass, and where necessary assume constant density given that sample volumes typically change by less than ~1% when driving caloric transitions.

Indirect methods

Values of ΔS are obtained via the thermodynamic analysis of experimental data that records the influence of temperature and field on the magnitude of the local order parameter (magnetization M, polarization P, strain ε , or volume V). Ideally, the order parameter should be obtained in thermodynamic equilibrium as a single-valued function of temperature and field. A single-valued function of temperature may be achieved near second-order phase transitions, whereas near first-order phase transitions it is acceptable to use non-equilibrium data collected directly after thermal excursions away from the hysteretic regime. However, these excursions are only essential for strongly hysteretic transitions ^{49,147}. A single-valued function of field precludes any hysteresis associated with ferroic domains or field-driven transitions ¹⁴⁸, but limited hysteresis may be tolerated in practice.

Values of isothermal Q are obtained from $Q = T\Delta S$.

There are two types of indirect method, described below.

Maxwell method. Values of ΔS are obtained by integrating one side of the relevant Maxwell relation [e.g. $\mu_0(\partial M/\partial T)_H = (\partial S/\partial H)_T$] as shown below, where 'i' and 'f' denote initial and final values, and where the prime indicates the dummy variable of integration. The order parameter is typically measured as a function of field at different temperatures. For second-order transitions, this may be achieved in a single temperature sweep. For strongly hysteretic first-order transitions, multiple temperature sweeps are required 147, and therefore one may equally measure the order parameter as a function of temperature at different fields.

Magnetocaloric	$\Delta S[J K^{-1} m^{-3}] = \mu_0 \int_{H_i}^{H_f} (\partial M/\partial T)_{H_i} dH'$
Electrocaloric	$\Delta S [J K^{-1} m^{-3}] = \int_{E_i}^{E_f} (\partial P/\partial T)_{E'} dE'$
Elastocaloric	$\Delta S [J K^{-1} m^{-3}] = \int_{\sigma_u^i}^{\sigma_u^i} (\partial \varepsilon / \partial T)_{\sigma_u} d\sigma_u'$
Barocaloric	$\Delta S[J K^{-1}] = -\int_{p_i}^{p_f} (\partial V/\partial T)_{p_i} dp'$

One may obtain accurate values of ΔT by measuring the field and temperature dependence of c, and inserting the resulting factor of -T/c into the relevant integrand above, as shown¹⁴⁹ for the MC materials Gd and LaFe_{11.6}Si_{1.4}. However, this strategy represents a quasi-direct method that obviates the need to measure the order parameter.

In practice, values of ΔT may be estimated using $\Delta T \simeq (T\Delta S)/c$ in the limit $\Delta T << T$, assuming a constant value of T, and assuming a constant value of specific heat capacity c despite the transition. For second-order transitions, reasonable agreement between direct

and indirect methods is possible^{2,52,149} as there may in practice be no sharp peak in c(T) at zero field. For first-order transitions, reasonable agreement may inevitably be achieved using an effective value of c that lies between the (possibly unresolved) peak and a value away from the transition^{49,133,136}, but there is no systematic way of choosing this effective value. However, for both first and second-order transitions, values of ΔS may be accurately converted into values of ΔT by using c(T) at zero field to identify adiabats in entropy-temperature space^{17,42,54}, or more elegantly in field-temperature space¹⁴⁸.

Clausius-Clapeyron method. This is only valid for first-order transitions, and fails to account for the caloric effects that arise in each of the interconvertible phases themselves. However, these background effects are normally much smaller than caloric effects at transitions of interest, and therefore this method is nominally equivalent to the Maxwell method. One typically measures the temperature dependence of the order parameter at fixed fields, in order to determine the field dependence of equilibrium transition temperature T_0 . This field-driven shift in T_0 may be obtained from transition start or finish temperatures on cooling or warming, and it directly yields ΔT as a function of field in the transition regime. Values of ΔS for the fully driven transition alone are then obtained using the appropriate Clausius-Clapeyron equation below, with the change in order parameter across the transition indicated by the subscript "0". By taking transition width into account, it is straightforward to establish the field dependence of ΔS .

Magnetocaloric	$\Delta S [J K^{-1} m^{-3}] = -\mu_0 \Delta M_0 (dT_0/dH)^{-1}$
Electrocaloric	$\Delta S [J K^{-1} m^{-3}] = -\Delta P_0 (dT_0/dE)^{-1}$
Elastocaloric	$\Delta S \left[J K^{-1} m^{-3} \right] = -\Delta \varepsilon_0 \left(dT_0 / d\sigma_u \right)^{-1}$
Barocaloric	$\Delta S [J K^{-1}] = \Delta V_0 (dT_0/dp)^{-1}$

Quasi-direct methods

Values of ΔS may be obtained via the heat-capacity^{17,54,150} and heat-flux^{20,31,32,44,49} methods described below, but the latter is normally only sufficiently sensitive for first-order transitions. The parameters X_i and X_f represent initial and final fields (X = H, E, σ_u or p), with T_1 freely chosen below the transition temperature for both conventional and inverse caloric effects.

Values of Q may be obtained by removing the factor of 1/T' from the integrand, and should match $Q = T\Delta S$ for sharp (first-order) transitions.

Values of ΔT may be calculated by first removing the second term in the integrand to obtain the change in entropy $\Delta S(T, X_{\rm f})$ on heating from T_1 to T, and then evaluating $\Delta S(T, X_{\rm i})$ in a similar manner. This permits the isentropic temperature difference between the two functions thus obtained to be evaluated at the desired start or finish temperature.

<u>Heat-capacity method.</u> The temperature dependence of heat capacity C is measured in X_i and X_f to yield:

$$\Delta S(T, X_{\rm f} - X_{\rm i}) \ [{\rm J} \ {\rm K}^{-1}] \simeq \int_{T_{\rm i}}^{T} [C(T', X_{\rm f}) - C(T', X_{\rm i})] \frac{{\rm d}T'}{T'},$$

with precise equivalence as $T_1 \rightarrow 0$.

<u>Heat-flux method.</u> The temperature dependence of heat flux dQ/dT is measured in X_i and X_f , and the above equation is employed with C replaced by dQ/dT.

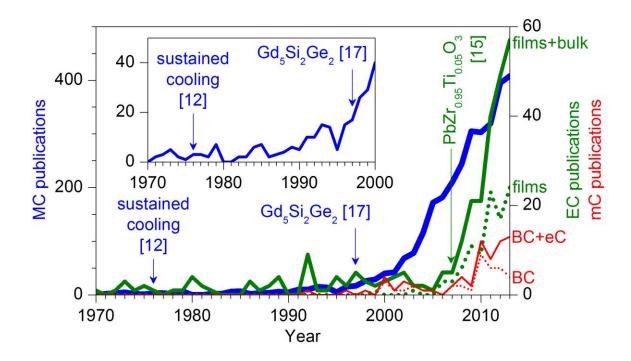


Figure 1. Caloric publications in recent decades. Magnetocaloric (MC) research activity was stimulated by the 1976 report¹² of sustained cooling near room temperature, and by the 1997 report¹⁷ of giant effects in Gd₅Si₂Ge₂. Inset, detail of main figure showing increase of MC research prior to 1997. Electrocaloric (EC) research activity on film and bulk samples was stimulated by the 2006 report¹⁵ of giant effects in films of PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₃, and the subsequent 2008 report on polymer films¹⁶ (bulk and film are distinguished by growth methodology rather than thickness). Elastocaloric (eC) and barocaloric (BC) research are described collectively as mechanocaloric (mC) research. The recent increase in mC research activity follows a period in which some years saw BC but no eC publications. All five plots are subject to errors associated with search terminology, and include cryogenic studies.

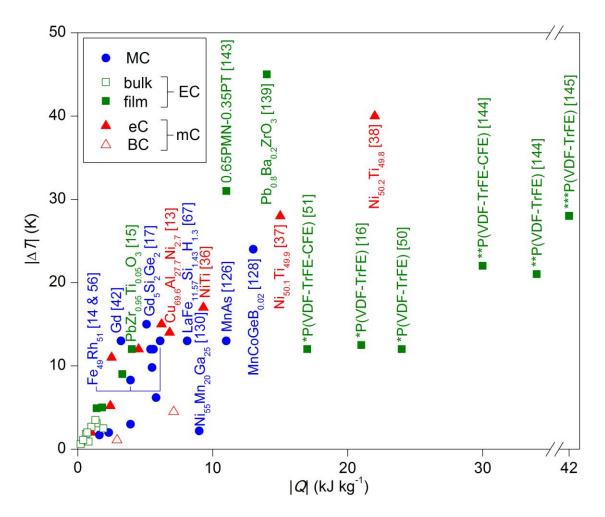


Figure 2. Selected caloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. For the caloric materials of Tables 1-3, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$ is plotted against isothermal heat |Q|, as both materials parameters are relevant for applications. The normalization of heat by mass strongly favours the low-density EC polymer films, which are roughly four times less dense than the EC ceramics. Abbreviated formulae are defined in Table 2 footnotes. Plots with molar and volume normalization appear in Supplementary Information.

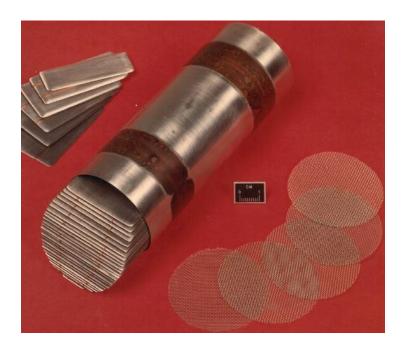


Figure 3. Selected components from the 1978 magnetocaloric refrigerator prototype with a record temperature span of T_h - T_c = 80 K. Brown improved upon his 1976 prototype , which spanned T_h - T_c = 47 K, by enlarging it and reducing turbulence in the regenerator fluid. This reduction in turbulence was achieved by streamlining the ends of the Gd plates (shown in and out of canister housing), and by placing at each end of the canister a wire screen (examples are shown bottom right). Image and information courtesy of G. V. Brown.

Table 1. Selected magnetocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, due to changes of magnetic field $\mu_0|\Delta H|$. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Italicised entries denote data derived from quasi-direct measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $c\Delta T \simeq T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero. Molar and volume normalizations of entropy change and heat are shown in Table S1 of Supplementary Information.

Table 1

	MC material	T	ΔS	$ \Delta T $	Q	$\mu_0 \Delta H $	Ref.
		K	J K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹	K	kJ kg ⁻¹	T	
	$Gd_5Si_2Ge_2$	280	<u>19</u>	15	<u>5.1</u>	5	17
	Gd	294	<u>11</u>	13	3.2	5	42
ıal	MnAs	317	<u>34</u>	13	<u>11</u>	5	126
ior	$MnFeP_{0.45}As_{0.55}$	308	<u>18</u>	[9.8]	<u>5.5</u>	5	127
Conventional	$Mn_{1.24}Fe_{0.71}P_{0.46}Si_{0.54}$	320	<u>12</u>	3.0	<u>3.9</u>	1	58
nv	$MnCoGeB_{0.02}$	277	<u>47</u>	[24]	<u>13</u>	5	128
ပိ	$LaFe_{11.57}Si_{1.43}H_{1.3}$	291	<u>28</u>	13	<u>8.1</u>	5	67
	$Ni_{52.6}Mn_{23.1}Ga_{24.3}$	300	<u>18</u>	[12]	<u>5.4</u>	5	129
	$Ni_{55}Mn_{20}Ga_{25}$	311	<u>29</u>	2.2	<u>9.0</u>	5	130
	$Ni_{50}Mn_{37}Sn_{13}$	299	<u>18</u>	[12]	<u>5.4</u>	5	131
	$Ni_{50}Mn_{38}Sb_{12}$	297	<u>19</u>	[12]	<u>5.6</u>	5	132
se.	$Ni_{50}Mn_{34}In_{14}Ga_2$	260	<u>9.0</u>	2.0	<u>2.3</u>	5	133
Inverse	$Ni_{45.2}Mn_{36.7}In_{13}Co_{5.1}$	318	<u>18</u>	6.2	<u>5.8</u>	2	93
In	CoMnSi	250	<u>6.5</u>	1.7	<u>1.6</u>	5	134
	†Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	308	[20]	13	[6.1]	2	14
	††Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	308	13	8.3	3.9	2.5	56

 \dagger annealed in vacuum at 1300 K for 72 h, then quenched to 278 K $\dagger\dagger$ annealed in vacuum at 1273 K for 10 h, then quenched to 273 K

Table 2. Selected electrocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, due to changes of electric field $|\Delta E|$. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Italicised entries denote data derived from quasi-direct measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $c\Delta T \simeq T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero, except for PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₃ where $E_i = 296$ kV cm⁻¹. Relaxors are denoted (r). Molar and volume normalizations of entropy change and heat are shown in Table S2 of Supplementary Information.

Table 2

	EC motorial	T	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta T $	Q	$ \Delta E $	Ref.
	EC material	K	$\mathrm{J}\mathrm{K}^{\text{-}1}\mathrm{kg}^{\text{-}1}$	K	kJ kg ⁻¹	kV cm ⁻¹	Kei.
	$\mathrm{KH_{2}PO_{4}}$	125	<u>1.0</u>	[1.0]	<u>0.4</u>	10	71
	$PbZr_{0.455}Sn_{0.455}Ti_{0.09}O_{3}$	317	[1.8]	1.6	[0.6]	30	46
	$PbSc_{0.5}Ta_{0.5}O_3$	295	[2.1]	1.8	[0.6]	25	135
	BaTiO ₃	397	2.1	[0.9]	0.8	4	49
K	(r) $Ba_{0.65}Sr_{0.35}Ti_{0.997}Mn_{0.003}O_3$	293	<u>4.8</u>	[3.1]	<u>1.4</u>	130	79
Bulk	(r) 0.87PMN-0.13PT	343	[0.6]	0.6	[0.2]	24	136
E	(r) 0.75PMN-0.25PT	383	1.0	[1.1]	0.4	25	137
	(r) †0.70PMN-0.30PT	429	[2.3]	2.7	[1.0]	90	82
	(r) ††0.90PMN-0.10PT	400	[3.2]	3.5	[1.3]	160	‡
	*PNZS	434	[4.3]	2.5	[1.9]	30	47
	**PNZS	423	[1.7]	2.0	[0.7]	20	138
	$PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O_{3}$	499	<u>8.0</u>	[12]	<u>4.0</u>	480	15
	(r) $Pb_{0.8}Ba_{0.2}ZrO_3$	290	<u>47</u>	[45]	<u>14</u>	598	139
	(r) $SrBi_2Ta_2O_9$	565	<u>2.4</u> <u>5.3</u>	[4.9]	<u>1.4</u>	600	140
	(r) 0.90PMN-0.10PT	348	<u>5.3</u>	[5.0]	<u>1.8</u>	895	141
	(r) 0.93PMN-0.07PT	298	<u>11</u>	[9.0]	1.8 3.3	723	142
u	(r) 0.65PMN-0.35PT	413	<u>28</u>	[31]	11 21	747	143
Film	*P(VDF-TrFE)	353	<u>60</u>	[12.5]	<u>21</u>	2090	16
F	*P(VDF-TrFE)	340	[70]	12	[24]	1200	50
	**P(VDF-TrFE)	390	[87]	<u>21</u>	[34]	3000	144
	***P(VDF-TrFE)	323	130	[28]	42	1800	145
	(r) *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	328	<u>64</u>	[12.5]	<u>21</u>	3070	16
	(r) *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	318	[55]	12	[17]	1700	51
	(r) **P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	350	<u>85</u>	[22]	<u>30</u>	3500	144

 $PMN = PbMg_{1/3}Nb_{2/3}O_3$, $PT = PbTiO_3$

^{*}PNZS = $Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}(Zr_{0.75}Sn_{0.20}Ti_{0.05})_{0.98}O_3$

^{**} $PNZS = Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}[(Zr_{0.73}Sn_{0.27})_{0.93}Ti_{0.07}]_{0.98}O_3$

^{*}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 55/45 mol %

^{**}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 70/30 mol %

^{***}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 65/35 mol %

^{*}P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 59.2/33.6/7.2 mol %

^{**}P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylenechlorofluoroethylene) 56.2/36.3/7.6 mol% †platelets of thickness $60-100 \mu m$

^{††}thinned to 80 µm

[‡]H. Uršič, B. Rožič, Z. Kutnjak, J. Holc, M. Kosec, private communication

Table 3. Selected mechanocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, due to changes of stress field $|\Delta \sigma|$. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Italicised entries denote data derived from quasi-direct measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $c\Delta T \simeq T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero. Molar and volume normalizations of entropy change and heat are shown in Table S3 of Supplementary Information.

Table 3

	mC material	T	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta T $	Q	$ \Delta\sigma $	Ref.
	ine material	K	$J K^{-1} kg^{-1}$	K	kJ kg ⁻¹	GPa	Kei.
	$Cu_{69.6}Al_{27.7}Ni_{2.7}$	308	<u>22</u>	14	<u>6.8</u>	0.15	13
	$Cu_{68.1}Zn_{15.8}Al_{16.1}$	300	<u>21</u>	[15]	6.2	0.13	19
	$Cu_{64.6}Zn_{33.7}Sn_{1.7}$	296	<u>15</u>	12	<u>4.5</u>	0.20	35
	NiTi	295	[32]	17	[9.3]	0.65	36
eC	$Ni_{50.1}Ti_{49.9}$	343	[45]	28	[15]	0.90	37
	$Ni_{50.2}Ti_{49.8}$	296	[74]	40	[22]	0.80	38
	$Ni_{50.7}Ti_{49.3}$	295	[8.5]	11	[2.5]	0.03	110
	$Fe_{68.8}Pd_{31.2}$	240	<u>4.2</u>	2.0	<u>1.0</u>	0.10	86
	$Fe_{49}Rh_{51}$	311	[7.8]	5.2	[2.4]	0.53	56,57
	$Ni_{49.26}Mn_{36.08}In_{14.66}$	293	24	[4.5]	7.1	0.26	20
BC	$Gd_5Si_2Ge_2$	270	11	1.1	2.9	0.20	31
	$LaFe_{11.33}Co_{0.47}Si_{1.2}$	237	8.7	2.2	2.0	0.20	32

Parameter	State variable?	Direct measurements?
ΔT	✓	✓
ΔS	✓	×
Q	×	✓

Table 4. State variables and direct measurements. Heat Q is not a state variable and should therefore be written without Δ . Entropy change ΔS cannot be measured directly. Changes ΔT in the state variable temperature can be measured directly.

Supplementary Information

Caloric materials near ferroic phase transitions

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Contents

We reproduce Fig. 2 from the main paper as Fig. S1, and present two alternative versions:

- The Fig. S1 abscissa uses mass normalization.
- The Fig. S2 abscissa uses molar normalization.
- The Fig. S3 abscissa uses volume normalization.

The data used for Figs S1-S3 appear in Tables S1-S3, which are expanded with respect to Tables 1-3 in order to show all three normalizations.

Tables S4-S6 differ from Tables S1-S3 because performance is normalized by applied field. Normalization does not necessarily imply linearity.

All reference codes refer to the main paper.

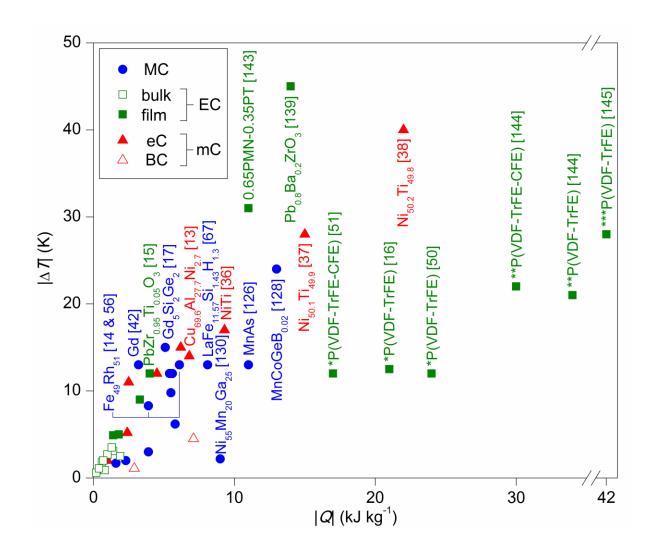


Figure S1. Mass normalized caloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. For the caloric materials of Tables S1-S3, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$ is plotted against isothermal heat |Q|, as both materials parameters are relevant for applications. The normalization of heat by mass strongly favours the low-density EC polymer films, which are roughly four times less dense than the EC ceramics. Abbreviated formulae for EC materials are defined in Table S2 footnotes.

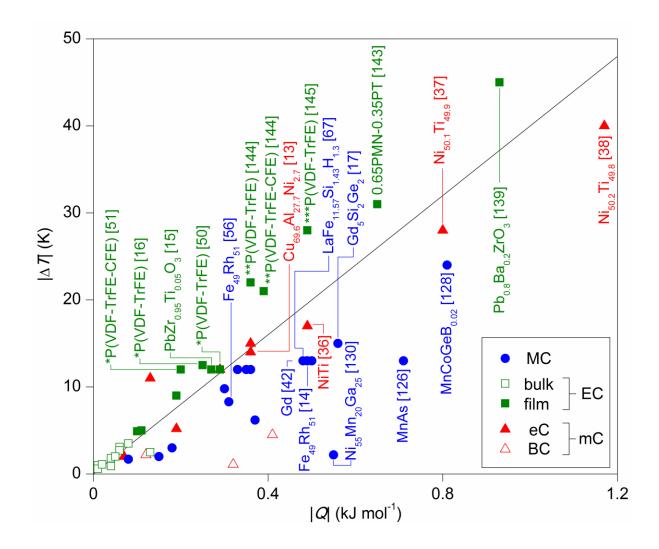


Figure S2. Molar normalized caloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. For the caloric materials of Tables S1-S3, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$ is plotted against isothermal heat |Q| per mole of atoms. One mole of atoms was counted without consideration of species. Significant departures from $|\Delta T| = |Q|/3R$ (black line) may be due to identified/unidentified measurement errors $(R = 8.3145 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ is the universal gas constant)}$.

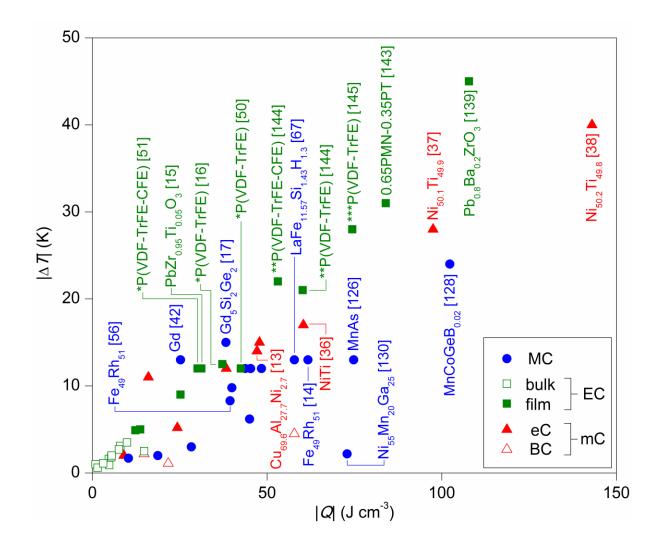


Figure S3. Volume normalized caloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. For the caloric materials of Tables S1-S3, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$ is plotted against isothermal heat |Q| per unit volume. Data were calculated from mass-normalized values using values of density if available, or lattice parameters otherwise.

Table S1. Mass, molar and volume normalized magnetocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, due to changes of magnetic field $\mu_0|\Delta H|$. For molar normalization, atoms were cou without consideration of species. Volume-normalized data were calculated from mass-normalized values using values of density if available, or lattice param otherwise. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Italicised entries denote data derived from quasidirect measurements. Underlined entries denote derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $-c\Delta T \approx T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero.

	MC material	T	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta T $	Q	Q	Q	$\mu_0 \Delta H $	Ref.
	MC material	K	J K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹	J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	kJ K ⁻¹ m ⁻³	K	kJ kg ⁻¹	kJ mol ⁻¹	J cm ⁻³	T	ICCI.
	Gd	294	<u>11</u>	<u>1.73</u>	<u>86.6</u>	13	3.2	0.50	25.2	5	42
	$Gd_5Si_2Ge_2$	280	<u>19</u>	2.08	<u>142</u>	15	5.1	0.56	38.2	5	17
12	MnAs	317	<u>34</u>	<u>2.21</u>	<u>231</u>	[13]	<u>11</u>	0.71	<u>74.8</u>	5	126
<u>.</u>	MnFeP _{0.45} As _{0.55}	308	<u>18</u>	0.99	<u>131</u>	[9.8]	<u>5.5</u>	0.30	39.9	5	127
Conventional	$Mn_{1.24}Fe_{0.71}P_{0.46}Si_{0.54}$	320	<u>12</u>	0.55	<u>87.0</u>	3.0	3.9	0.18	28.3	1	58
) I	MnCoGeB _{0.02}	277	<u>47</u>	<u>2.92</u>	<u>370</u>	[24]	<u>13</u>	0.81	102	5	128
Ü	LaFe _{11.57} Si _{1.43} H _{1.3}	291	<u>28</u>	<u>1.65</u>	<u>200</u>	13	8.1	0.48	<u>57.8</u>	5	67
	$Ni_{52.6}Mn_{23.1}Ga_{24.3}$	300	<u>18</u>	<u>1.09</u>	<u>146</u>	[12]	<u>5.4</u>	0.33	<u>43.7</u>	5	129
	$Ni_{55}Mn_{20}Ga_{25}$	311	<u>29</u>	<u>1.76</u>	<u>235</u>	2.2	9.0	<u>0.55</u>	72.9	5	130
	$Ni_{50}Mn_{37}Sn_{13}$	299	<u>18</u>	1.17	<u>161</u>	[12]	<u>5.4</u>	0.35	48.4	5	131
	$Ni_{50}Mn_{38}Sb_{12}$	297	<u>19</u>	<u>1.23</u>	<u>154</u>	[12]	<u>5.6</u>	0.36	45.3	5	132
se.	$Ni_{50}Mn_{34}In_{14}Ga_2$	260	<u>9.0</u>	0.59	<u>73.0</u>	2.0	2.3	0.15	18.7	5	133
Inverse	Ni _{45.2} Mn _{36.7} In ₁₃ Co _{5.1}	317	<u>18</u>	<u>1.16</u>	<u>142</u>	6.2	<u>5.7</u>	0.37	<u>45.0</u>	2	93
Ξ	CoMnSi	250	6.5	<u>0.31</u>	<u>41.8</u>	1.7	1.6	0.08	10.3	5	134
	† Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	308	[20]	[1.60]	[202]	13	[6.1]	[0.49]	[61.7]	2	14
	†† Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	308	13	1.04	131	8.3	3.9	0.31	39.4	2.5	56

†annealed in vacuum at 1300 K for 72 h, then quenched to 278 K ††annealed in vacuum at 1273 K for 10 h, then quenched to 273 K

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	EC metaviel	T	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta T $	Q	Q	Q	$ \Delta E $	Ref.
	EC material	K	J K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹	J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	kJ K ⁻¹ m ⁻³	K	kJ kg ⁻¹	kJ mol ⁻¹	J cm ⁻³	kV cm ⁻¹	Rel.
	KH ₂ PO ₄	123	<u>3.5</u>	0.06	8.2	[1.0]	0.4	0.01	0.94	10	71
	$PbZr_{0.455}Sn_{0.455}Ti_{0.09}O_3$	317	[1.8]	[0.13]	[14.0]	1.6	[0.6]	[0.04]	[4.68]	30	46
	$PbSc_{0.5}Ta_{0.5}O_3$	291	[2.1]	[0.15]	[19.0]	1.8	[0.6]	[0.04]	[5.44]	25	78,135
	BaTiO ₃	397	2.1	0.10	12.6	[0.9]	0.8	0.04	4.82	4	49
<u>~</u>	(r) $Ba_{0.65}Sr_{0.35}Ti_{0.997}Mn_{0.003}O_3$	293	<u>4.8</u>	0.21	<u>27.3</u>	[3.1]	<u>1.4</u>	0.06	<u>7.97</u>	130	79
Bulk	(r) 0.87PMN-0.13PT	343	[0.6]	[0.03]	[4.58]	0.6	[0.2]	[0.01]	[1.53]	24	136
_	(r) 0.75PMN-0.25PT	383	1.0	0.06	7.64	[1.1]	0.4	0.02	3.06	25	137
	(r) †0.70PMN-0.30PT	429	[2.3]	[0.14]	[17.6]	2.7	[1.0]	[0.06]	[7.64]	90	82
	(r) ††0.90PMN-0.10PT	400	[3.2]	[0.19]	[24.5]	3.5	[1.3]	[0.08]	[9.93]	160	‡
	*PNZS	434	[4.3]	[0.30]	[33.5]	2.6	[1.9]	[0.13]	[14.8]	30	47
	**PNZS	423	[1.7]	[0.12]	[13.3]	2.0	[0.7]	[0.05]	[5.46]	20	138
	$PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O_3$	499	8.0	<u>0.55</u>	<u>62.4</u>	[12]	<u>4.0</u>	0.27	31.2	480	15
	(r) Pb _{0.8} Ba _{0.2} ZrO ₃	290	<u>47</u>	3.12	<u>362</u>	[45]	<u>14</u>	0.93	108	598	139
	(r) SrBi ₂ Ta ₂ O ₉	565	<u>2.4</u>	0.17	<u>21.2</u>	[4.9]	1.4	0.10	12.3	600	140
	(r) 0.90PMN-0.10PT	348	<u>5.3</u>	0.31	<u>40.5</u>	[5.0]	1.8	0.11	<u>13.7</u>	895	141
	(r) 0.93PMN-0.07PT	298	<u>11</u>	0.65	<u>84.0</u>	[9.0]	<u>3.3</u>	0.19	<u>25.2</u>	723	142
=	(r) 0.65PMN-0.35PT	413	<u>28</u>	<u>1.66</u>	<u>214</u>	[31]	<u>11</u>	0.65	84.0	747	143
Film	*P(VDF-TrFE)	353	<u>60</u>	0.72	<u>106</u>	[12.5]	<u>21</u>	0.25	<u>37.2</u>	2090	16
	*P(VDF-TrFE)	340	[70]	[0.84]	[124]	12	[24]	[0.29]	[42.5]	1200	50
	**P(VDF-TrFE)	390	<u>87</u>	<u>1.01</u>	<u>154</u>	[21]	<u>34</u>	0.39	60.2	3000	144
	***P(VDF-TrFE)	323	130	1.52	230	[28]	42	0.49	74.4	1800	145
	(r) *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	328	<u>64</u>	<u>0.76</u>	<u>113</u>	[12.5]	<u>21</u>	0.25	<u>37.2</u>	3070	16
	(r) *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	318	[55]	[0.65]	[97.3]	12	[17]	[0.20]	[30.1]	1700	51
	(r) **P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	350	<u>85</u>	<u>1.02</u>	<u>150</u>	[22]	<u>30</u>	0.36	<u>53.1</u>	3500	144

 $PMN = PbMg_{1/3}Nb_{2/3}O_3, PT = PbTiO_3$

**P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoridetrifluoroethylene-chlorofluoroethylene) 56.2/36.3/7.6 mol% †platelets of thickness 60-100 μm

††thinned to 80 µm

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^{*}PNZS = $Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}(Zr_{0.75}Sn_{0.20}Ti_{0.05})_{0.98}O_3$

^{**}PNZS = $Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}[(Zr_{0.73}Sn_{0.27})_{0.93}Ti_{0.07}]_{0.98}O_3$

^{*}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 55/45 mol %

^{**}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 70/30 mol %

^{***}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 65/35 mol %

^{*}P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylenechlorofluoroethylene) 59.2/33.6/7.2 mol %

Table S3. Mass, molar and volume normalized mechanocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, due to changes of stress field $|\Delta \sigma|$. For molar normalization, atoms were counted without consideration of species. Volume-normalized data were calculated from mass-normalized values using values of density if available, or lattice parameters otherwise. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Italicised entries denote data derived from quasidirect measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $-c\Delta T \approx T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero.

	mC material	T	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta S $	$ \Delta T $	Q	Q	Q	$ \Delta \sigma $	Ref.
	IIIC IIIateriai	K	J K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹	J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	kJ K ⁻¹ m ⁻³	K	kJ kg ⁻¹	kJ mol ⁻¹	J cm ⁻³	GPa	Kei.
	Cu _{69.6} Al _{27.7} Ni _{2.7}	308	<u>22</u>	1.17	<u>152</u>	14	6.8	0.36	<u>47.1</u>	0.15	13
	$Cu_{68.1}Zn_{15.8}Al_{16.1}$	300	<u>21</u>	1.22	<u>162</u>	[15]	<u>6.2</u>	<u>0.36</u>	<u>47.8</u>	0.13	19
	$Cu_{64.6}Zn_{33.7}Sn_{1.7}$	296	<u>15</u>	0.98	<u>128</u>	12	4.5	0.29	38.3	0.20	35
	NiTi	295	[32]	[1.70]	[208]	17	[9.3]	[0.49]	[60.4]	0.65	36
S	Ni _{50.1} Ti _{49.9}	343	[45]	[2.40]	[292]	28	[15]	[0.80]	[97.5]	0.90	37
	Ni _{50.2} Ti _{49.8}	296	[74]	[3.94]	[481]	40	[22]	[1.17]	[143]	0.80	38
	Ni _{50.7} Ti _{49.3}	295	[8.5]	[0.45]	[55.2]	11	[2.5]	[0.13]	[16.2]	0.03	110
	Fe _{68.8} Pd _{31.2}	240	<u>4.2</u>	0.30	<u>37.7</u>	2.0	1.0	<u>0.07</u>	8.97	0.10	86
	Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	311	[7.8]	[0.62]	[78.9]	5.2	[2.4]	[0.19]	[24.3]	0.53	56,57
	Ni _{49.26} Mn _{36.08} In _{14.66}	293	24	1.40	195	[4.5]	7.1	0.41	57.8	0.26	20
BC	$Gd_5Si_2Ge_2$	270	11	1.21	82.5	1.1	2.9	0.32	21.7	0.20	31
	LaFe _{11.33} Co _{0.47} Si _{1.2}	237	8.7	0.52	64.3	2.2	2.0	0.12	14.8	0.20	32

Table S4. The strength of magnetocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, each normalized by the driving magnetic field $\mu_0|\Delta H|$. For molar normalization, atoms were counted without consideration of species. Volume-normalized data were calculated from mass-normalized values using values of density if available, or lattice parameters otherwise. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $-c\Delta T \approx T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero.

	MC material	T	$ \Delta S /\mu_0 \Delta H $ J K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹ T ⁻¹	$ \Delta S /\mu_0 \Delta H $ J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹ T ⁻¹	$ \Delta S /\mu_0 \Delta H $ kJ K ⁻¹ m ⁻³ T ⁻¹	$ \Delta T /\mu_0 \Delta H $ K T ⁻¹	$ Q /\mu_0 \Delta H $ kJ kg ⁻¹ T ⁻¹	$ Q /\mu_0 \Delta H $ kJ mol ⁻¹ T ⁻¹	$ Q /\mu_0 \Delta H $ $\int_{\text{Cm}^{-3}} T^{-1}$	$\mu_0 \Delta H $	Ref.
	Gd	294	2.2	0.35	<u>17</u>	2.6	0.6	0.10	<u>5.0</u>	5	42
	Gd ₅ Si ₂ Ge ₂	280	3.8	0.42	28	3.0	1.0	0.11	7.6	5	17
12	MnAs	317	<u>6.8</u>	0.44	<u>46</u>	[2.6]	2.2	0.14	<u>15</u>	5	126
Conventional	$MnFeP_{0.45}As_{0.55}$	308	<u>3.6</u>	0.20	<u>26</u>	[2.0]	1.1	<u>0.06</u>	<u>8.0</u>	5	127
en	$Mn_{1.24}Fe_{0.71}P_{0.46}Si_{0.54}$	320	<u>12</u>	0.55	87 74	3.0	3.9	0.18	<u>28</u>	1	58
l v	$MnCoGeB_{0.02}$	277	<u>9.4</u>	0.58	<u>74</u>	[4.8]	2.6	0.16	<u>20</u>	5	128
ŭ	LaFe _{11.57} Si _{1.43} H _{1.3}	291	<u>5.6</u>	0.33	<u>40</u>	2.6	<u>1.6</u>	0.10	<u>12</u>	5	67
	$Ni_{52.6}Mn_{23.1}Ga_{24.3}$	300	<u>3.6</u>	0.22	<u>29</u>	[2.4]	<u>1.1</u>	0.07	<u>8.7</u>	5	129
	$Ni_{55}Mn_{20}Ga_{25}$	311	<u>5.8</u>	<u>0.35</u>	<u>47</u>	0.4	1.8	0.11	<u>15</u>	5	130
	$Ni_{50}Mn_{37}Sn_{13}$	299	<u>3.6</u>	0.23	<u>32</u>	[2.4]	<u>1.1</u>	0.07	<u>9.7</u>	5	131
	$\mathrm{Ni}_{50}\mathrm{Mn}_{38}\mathrm{Sb}_{12}$	297	<u>3.8</u>	0.25	<u>31</u>	[2.4]	<u>1.1</u>	0.07	<u>9.1</u>	5	132
rse	$Ni_{50}Mn_{34}In_{14}Ga_2$	260	<u>1.8</u>	0.12	15 71	0.4	0.5	0.03	<u>3.7</u>	5	133
Inverse	$Ni_{45.2}Mn_{36.7}In_{13}Co_{5.1}$	317	<u>9.0</u>	0.58	<u>71</u>	3.1	2.8	0.18	<u>22</u>	2	93
_ =	CoMnSi	250	<u>1.3</u>	<u>0.06</u>	<u>8.4</u>	0.3	0.3	0.02	<u>2.1</u>	5	134
	† Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	308	[10]	[0.80]	[101]	6.5	[3.0]	[0.24]	[31]	2	14
	†† Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	308	5.2	0.42	52	3.3	1.6	0.12	16	2.5	56

†annealed in vacuum at 1300 K for 72 h, then quenched to 278 K ††annealed in vacuum at 1273 K for 10 h, then quenched to 273 K

Table S5. The strength of electrocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, each normalized by the driving electric field $|\Delta E|$. For molar normalization, atoms were counted without consideration of species. Volume-normalized data were calculated from mass-normalized values using values of density if available, or lattice parameters otherwise. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $-c\Delta T \approx T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero, except for $PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O_3$ where $E_i = 296$ kV cm⁻¹. Relaxors are denoted (r).

	EC material	T K	$ \Delta S / \Delta E $ mJ cm K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹ kV ⁻¹	$ \Delta S / \Delta E $ mJ cm K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹ kV ⁻¹	$ \Delta S / \Delta E $ J K ⁻¹ m ⁻² kV ⁻¹	$ \Delta T / \Delta E $ mK cm kV ⁻¹	$ Q / \Delta E $ J cm kg ⁻¹ kV ⁻¹	$ Q / \Delta E $ J cm mol ⁻¹ kV ⁻¹	$ Q / \Delta E $ mJ cm ⁻² kV ⁻¹	\Delta E kV cm ⁻¹	Ref.
	KH ₂ PO ₄	123	350	6.0	8.2	[100]	40.0	1.0	94.0	10	71
	PbZr _{0.455} Sn _{0.455} Ti _{0.09} O ₃	317	[60.0]	[4.3]	[4.7]	53.3	[20.0]	[1.3]	[156]	30	46
	PbSc _{0.5} Ta _{0.5} O ₃	291	[84.0]	[6.0]	[7.6]	72.0	[24.0]	[1.6]	[218]	25	78,135
	BaTiO ₃	397	525	25	32	[225]	200	10	1205	4	49
	(r) $Ba_{0.65}Sr_{0.35}Ti_{0.997}Mn_{0.003}O_3$	293	36.9	1.6	2.1	[23.8]	10.8	0.5	61.3	130	79
Bulk	(r) 0.87PMN-0.13PT	343	[25.0]	[1.2]	[1.9]	25.0	[8.33]	[0.4]	[63.7]	24	136
B	(r) 0.75PMN-0.25PT	383	40.0	2.4	3.1	[44.0]	16.0	0.8	122	25	137
	(r) †0.70PMN-0.30PT	429	[25.6]	[1.6]	[2.0]	30.0	[11.1]	[0.7]	[84.9]	90	82
	(r) ††0.90PMN-0.10PT	400	[20.0]	[1.2]	[1.5]	21.9	[8.12]	[0.5]	[62.1]	160	‡
	*PNZS	434	[143]	[10]	[11]	86.7	[63.3]	[4.3]	[493]	30	47
	**PNZS	423	[85.0]	[6.0]	[6.7]	100	[35.0]	[2.5]	[273]	20	138
	$PbZr_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O_{3}$	499	<u>16.7</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>1.3</u>	[25.0]	<u>8.33</u>	0.6	<u>65.0</u>	480	15
	(r) Pb _{0.8} Ba _{0.2} ZrO ₃	290	<u>78.6</u>	<u>5.2</u>	<u>6.1</u>	[75.2]	<u>23.4</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>181</u>	598	139
	(r) SrBi ₂ Ta ₂ O ₉	565	<u>4.00</u>	0.3	0.3	[8.17]	<u>2.33</u>	0.2	<u>20.5</u>	600	140
	(r) 0.90PMN-0.10PT	348	<u>5.92</u>	0.3	<u>0.4</u>	[5.59]	<u>2.01</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>15.3</u>	895	141
	(r) 0.93PMN-0.07PT	298	<u>15.2</u>	<u>0.9</u> <u>2.2</u>	1.2	[12.4]	<u>4.56</u>	0.3	<u>34.8</u>	723	142
=	(r) 0.65PMN-0.35PT	413	<u>37.5</u>	<u>2.2</u>	<u>2.9</u>	[41.5]	<u>14.7</u>	<u>0.9</u>	112	747	143
Film	*P(VDF-TrFE)	353	<u>28.7</u>	0.3	0.5	[5.98]	<u>10.0</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>17.8</u>	2090	16
-	*P(VDF-TrFE)	340	[58.3]	[0.7]	[1.0]	10.0	[20.0]	[0.2]	[35.4]	1200	50
	**P(VDF-TrFE)	390	<u>29.0</u>	<u>0.3</u>	0.5	[7.00]	<u>11.3</u>	0.1	<u>20.1</u>	3000	144
	***P(VDF-TrFE)	323	72	0.8	1.3	[15.5]	23.3	0.3	41.3	1800	145
	(r) *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	328	20.8	0.2	0.4	[4.07]	<u>6.84</u>	0.1	12.1	3070	16
	(r) *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	318	[32.3]	[0.4]	[0.6]	7.06	[10.0]	[0.1]	[17.7]	1700	51
	(r) **P(VDF-TrFE-CFE)	350	<u>24.3</u>	0.3	<u>0.4</u>	[6.29]	<u>8.57</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>15.2</u>	3500	144

 $PMN = PbMg_{1/3}Nb_{2/3}O_3, PT = PbTiO_3$

^{*}PNZS = $Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}(Zr_{0.75}Sn_{0.20}Ti_{0.05})_{0.98}O_3$

^{**}PNZS = $Pb_{0.99}Nb_{0.02}[(Zr_{0.73}Sn_{0.27})_{0.93}Ti_{0.07}]_{0.98}O_3$

^{*}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 55/45 mol %

^{**}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 70/30 mol %

^{***}P(VDF-TrFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylene) 65/35 mol % *P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-trifluoroethylenechlorofluoroethylene) 59.2/33.6/7.2 mol %

^{**}P(VDF-TrFE-CFE) = poly(vinylidene fluoride-

trifluoroethylene-chlorofluoroethylene) 56.2/36.3/7.6 mol% †platelets of thickness 60-100 μm

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Table S6. The strength of mechanocaloric effects at phase transitions near and away from room temperature. Isothermal entropy change $|\Delta S|$, adiabatic temperature change $|\Delta T|$, and isothermal heat |Q|, at starting temperature T, each normalized by the driving stress field $|\Delta \sigma|$. For molar normalization, atoms were counted without consideration of species. Volume-normalized data were calculated from mass-normalized values using values of density if available, or lattice parameters otherwise. Bold entries denote data derived from direct measurements. Underlined entries denote data derived from indirect measurements. Bracketed entries denote data derived via $-c\Delta T \approx T\Delta S = Q$ using zero-field specific heat capacity c. For all entries, $Q = T\Delta S$. For independently measured isothermal processes, starting temperatures may differ slightly from the values shown. All starting fields were zero.

	mC material	T K	$ \Delta S / \Delta \sigma $ J K ⁻¹ kg ⁻¹ GPa ⁻¹	$ \Delta S / \Delta \sigma $ J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹ GPa ⁻¹	$ \Delta S / \Delta \sigma $ MJ K ⁻¹ m ⁻³ GPa ⁻¹	$ \Delta T / \Delta \sigma $ K GPa ⁻¹	Q / ∆σ kJ kg ⁻¹ GPa ⁻¹	$ Q / \Delta\sigma $ kJ mol ⁻¹ GPa ⁻¹	Q / Δσ J cm ⁻³ GPa ⁻¹	$ \Delta\sigma $ GPa	Ref.
	Cu _{69.6} Al _{27.7} Ni _{2.7}	308	<u>147</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>1.0</u>	93	<u>45</u>	2.4	<u>314</u>	0.15	13
	Cu _{68.1} Zn _{15.8} Al _{16.1}	300	<u>161</u>	<u>9.4</u>	<u>1.2</u>	[115]	<u>48</u>	2.8	<u>368</u>	0.13	19
	$Cu_{64.6}Zn_{33.7}Sn_{1.7}$	296	<u>75.0</u>	<u>4.9</u>	<u>0.6</u>	60	<u>22</u>	1.4	<u>191</u>	0.20	35
	NiTi	295	[49.2]	[2.6]	[0.3]	26	[14]	[0.7]	[92.9]	0.65	36
ပ္	Ni _{50.1} Ti _{49.9}	343	[50.0]	[2.7]	[0.3]	31	[17]	[0.9]	[108]	0.90	37
	Ni _{50.2} Ti _{49.8}	296	[92.5]	[4.9]	[0.6]	50	[27]	[1.5]	[179]	0.80	38
	Ni _{50.7} Ti _{49.3}	295	[283]	[15]	[1.8]	367	[83]	[4.3]	[540]	0.03	110
	Fe _{68.8} Pd _{31.2}	240	<u>42.0</u>	<u>3.0</u>	<u>0.4</u>	20	<u>10</u>	0.7	<u>89.7</u>	0.10	86
	Fe ₄₉ Rh ₅₁	311	[14.7]	[1.2]	[0.1]	9.8	[4.5]	[0.4]	[45.8]	0.53	56,57
	Ni _{49.26} Mn _{36.08} In _{14.66}	293	92.3	5.4	0.7	[17]	27	1.6	222	0.26	20
BC	$Gd_5Si_2Ge_2$	270	55.0	6.0	0.4	5.5	14	1.6	108	0.20	31
	LaFe _{11.33} Co _{0.47} Si _{1.2}	237	43.5	2.6	0.3	11	10	0.6	74.0	0.20	32