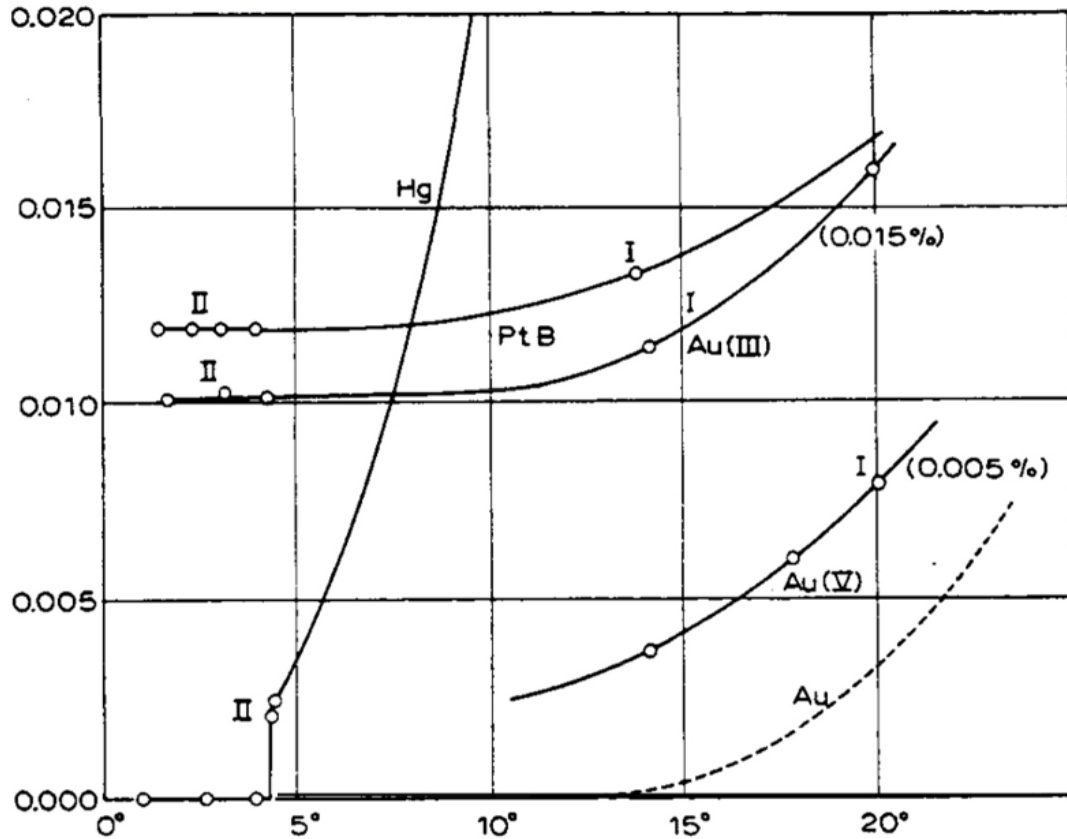


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Investigations into the Properties of Substances at Low Temperatures, which Have Led, amongst Other Things, to the Preparation of Liquid Helium [1913 Physics Nobel, Heike Kammerlingh Onnes]

Hg becomes superconducting, *ie.* loses all electrical resistance at a little above 4 K



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The superconducting elements (bulk, ambient pressure)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
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		Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr	

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The magnetic(ally ordered) elements [Ferromagnetic or antiferromagnetic]

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Fe ferromagnet

Mn antiferro

Tm mixed

Magnetism and superconductivity are largely incompatible

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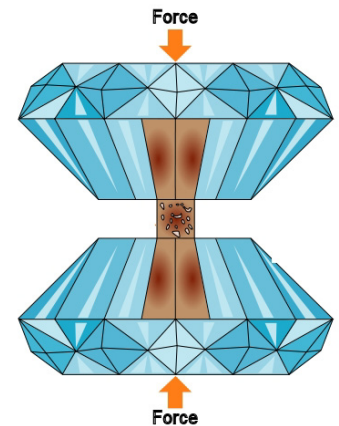


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Some (new) superconducting elements (under pressure)

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K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
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		Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr	

High pressures (above ~10 GPa) generated with a diamond anvil cell.



Pressure can drastically change electronic structure (for eg. Ba behaves like a transition metal)

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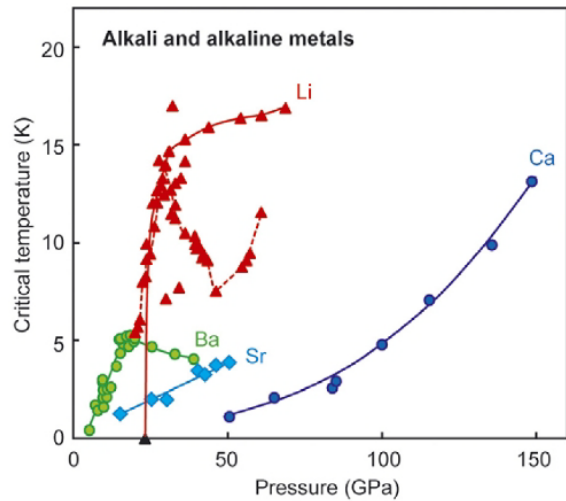


Figure 4. Critical temperature dependence on pressure for alkali and alkaline metals: Li [2, 28, 29], Ca [36], Ba [37–43], and Sr [37].

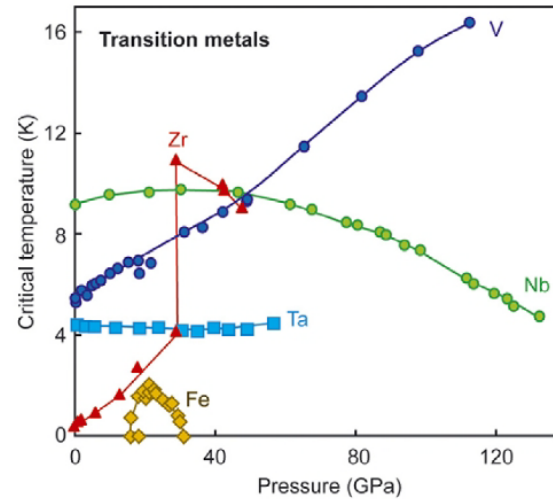


Figure 6. Critical temperature dependence on pressure for transition metals: Zr [52, 53], V [48–50], Nb [45], Ta [45, 67], and Fe [7].

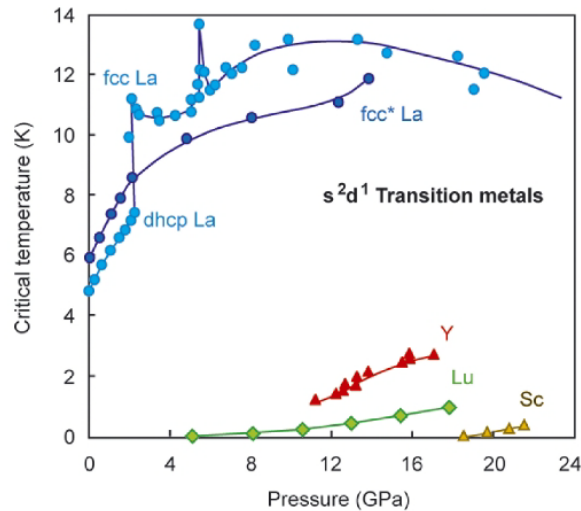
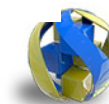


Figure 5. Critical temperature dependence on pressure for s^2d^1 transition metals: La [16], Lu [44], Sc [44], and Y [30].

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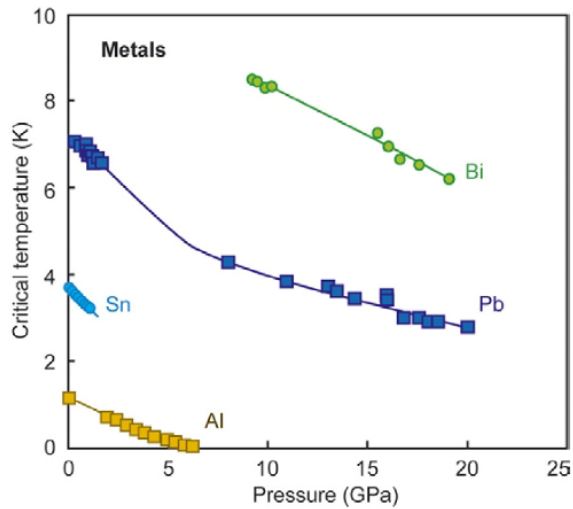


Figure 8. Critical temperature dependence on pressure for metals: Al [62], Sn [63], Pb [40, 64–67], and Bi [39, 40].

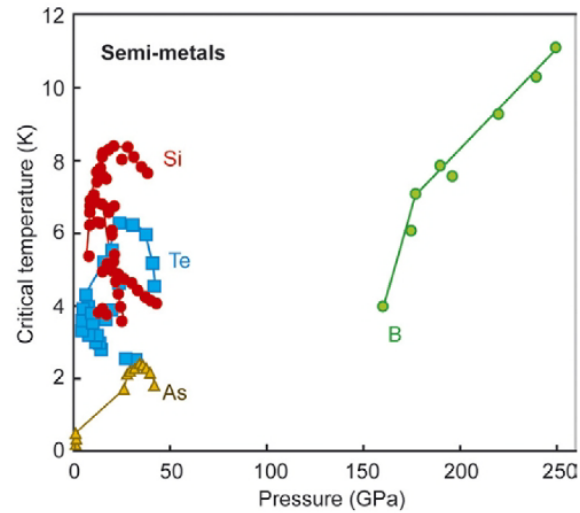


Figure 9. Critical temperature dependence on pressure for semi-metals: B [8], Si [72–74], As [75, 76], and Te [77–79].

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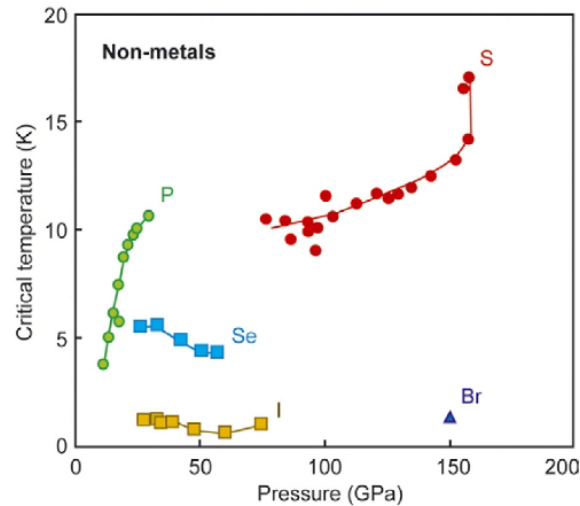
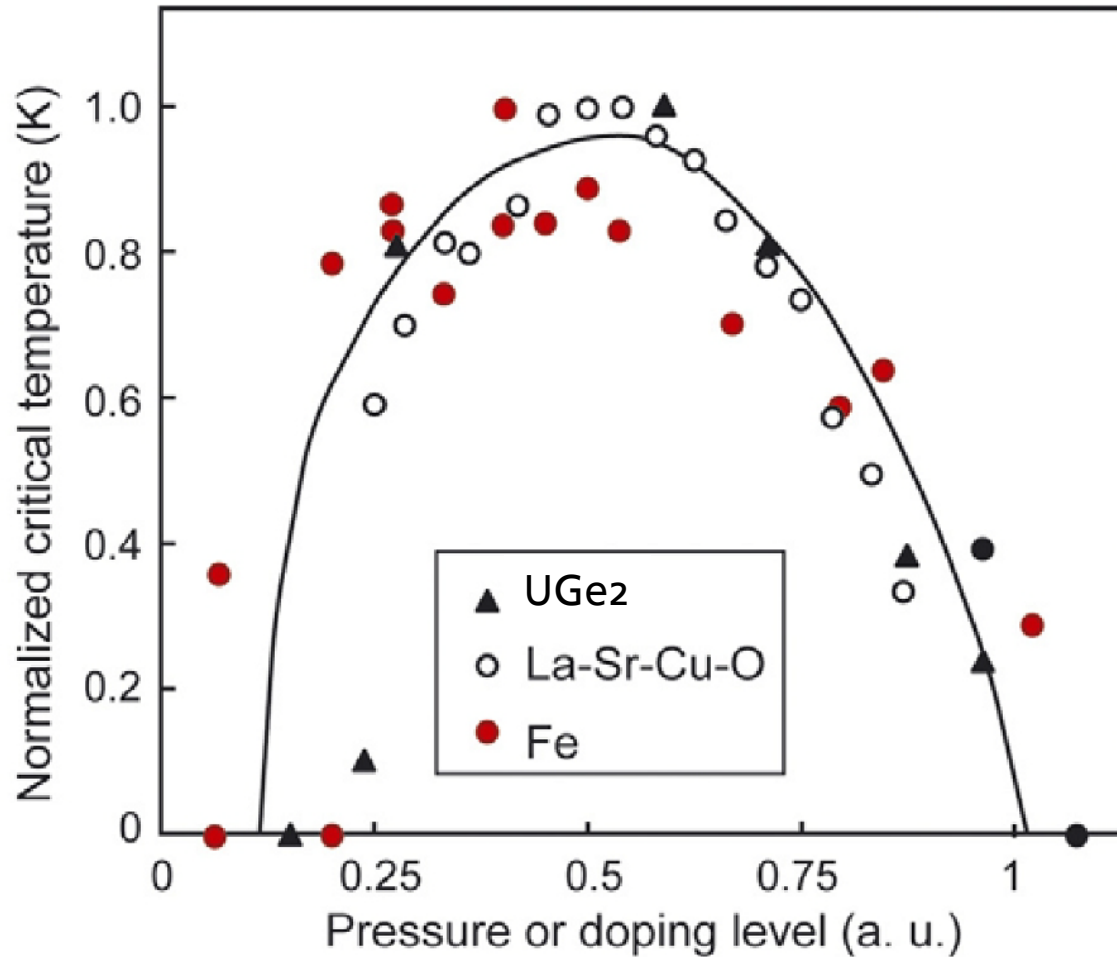


Figure 10. Critical temperature dependence on pressure for non-metals: P [86], S [3, 93], Se [77], Br [93], and I [92].

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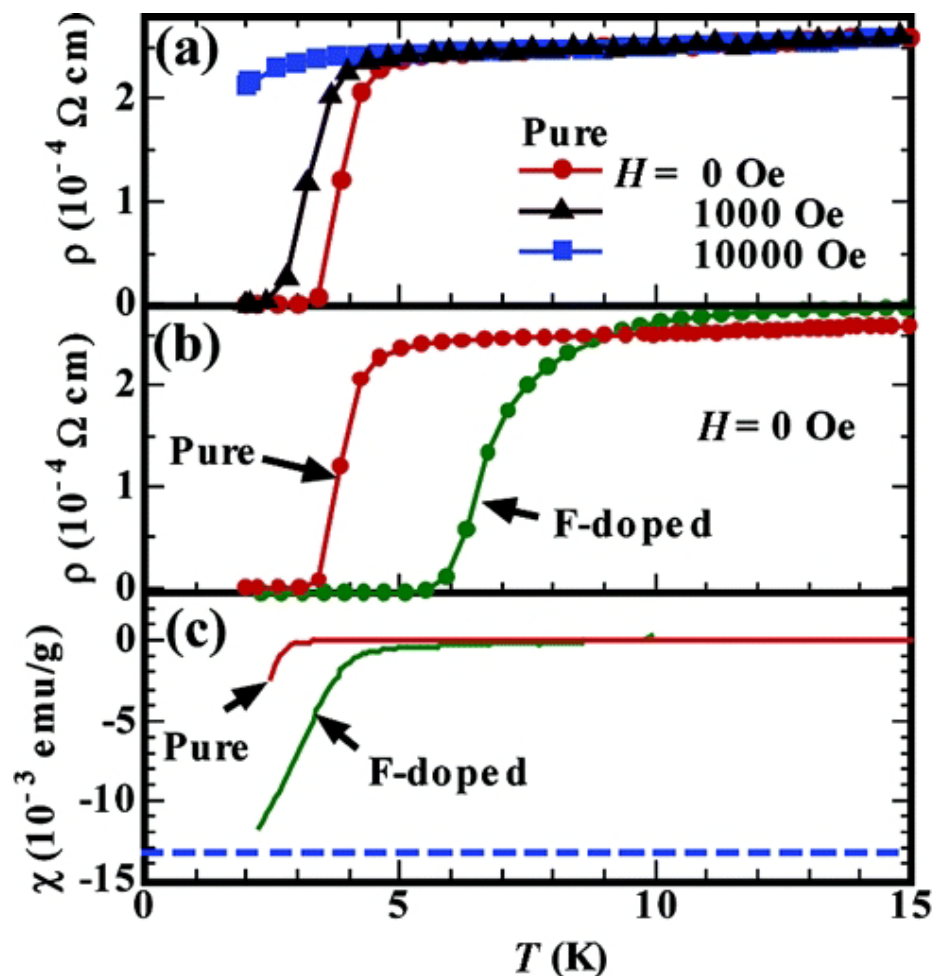
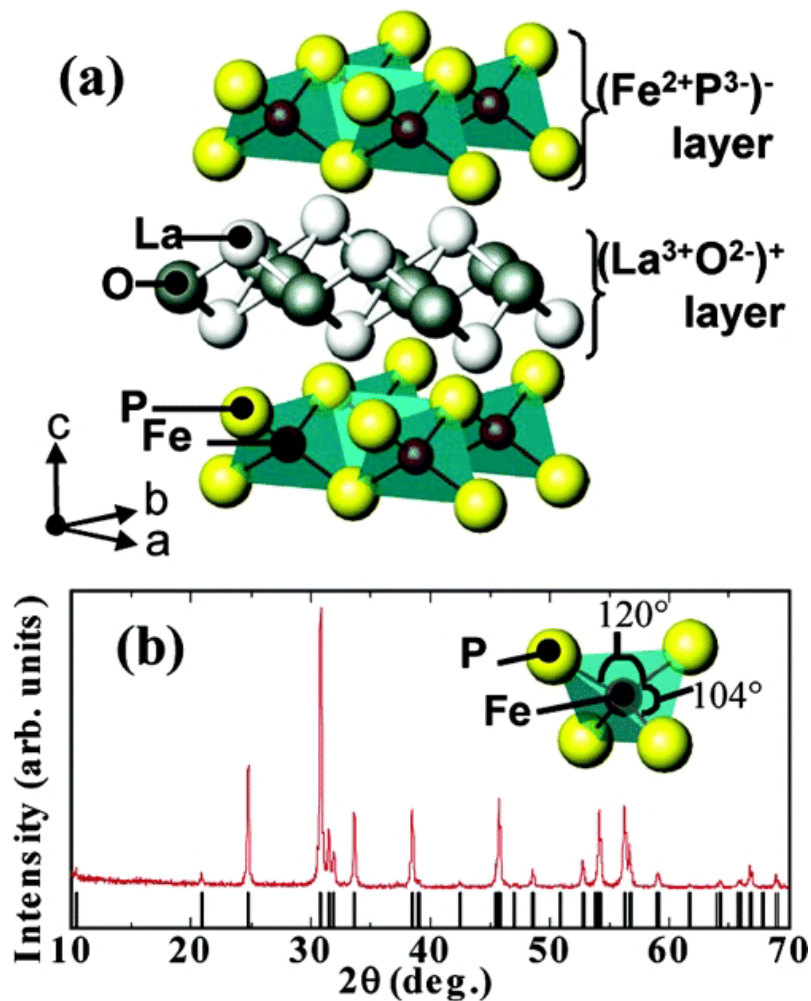


Possible similarities in the superconducting behavior of superconductors that are proximal to magnetic behavior, for eg. the famous superconducting dome.

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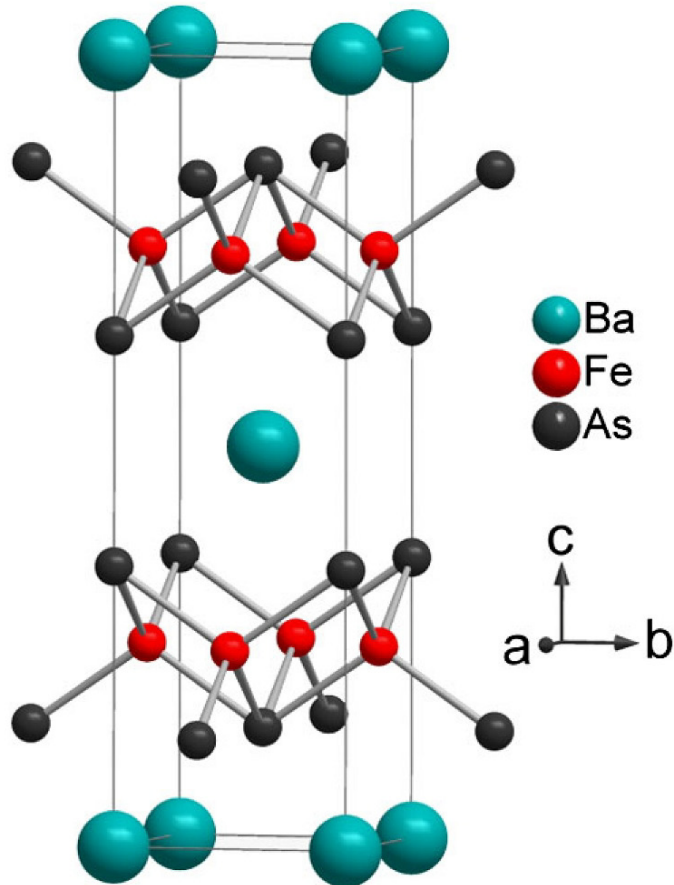
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Superconductivity at 38 K in the Iron Arsenide ($\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x$) Fe_2As_2

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Superconductivity in arsenides with the ThCr_2Si_2 crystal structure.



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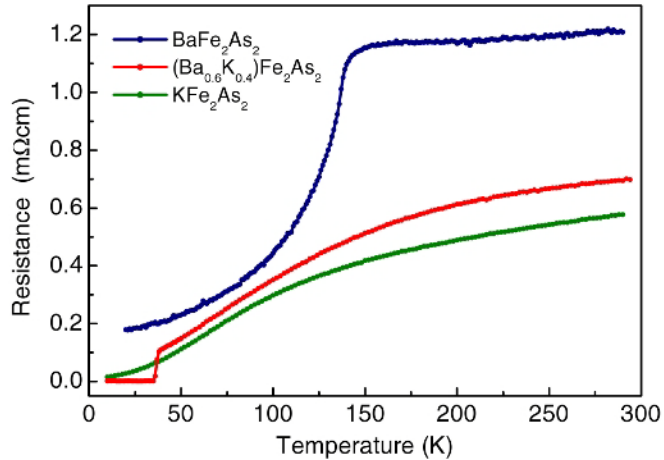


FIG. 3 (color online). Electrical resistance of BaFe₂As₂, KFe₂As₂, and (Ba_{0.6}K_{0.4})Fe₂As₂.

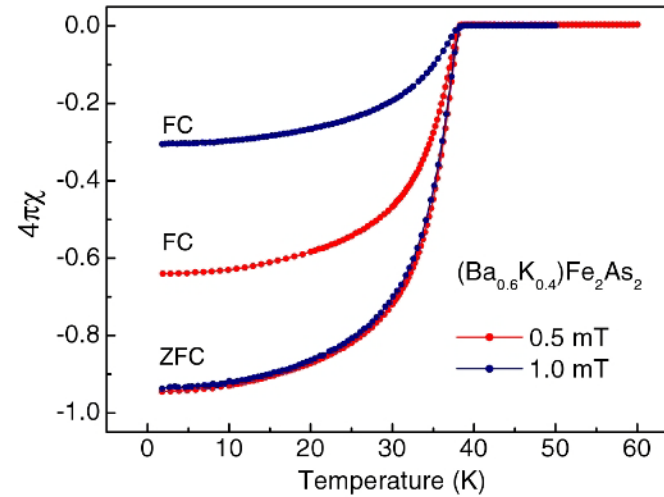


FIG. 5 (color online). Magnetic susceptibility of (Ba_{0.6}K_{0.4})Fe₂As₂ at 0.5 and 1 mT. FC is field cooled; ZFC is zero-field cooled.

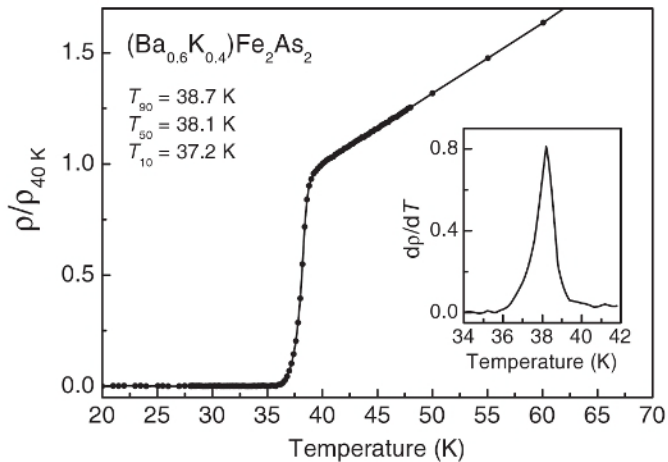


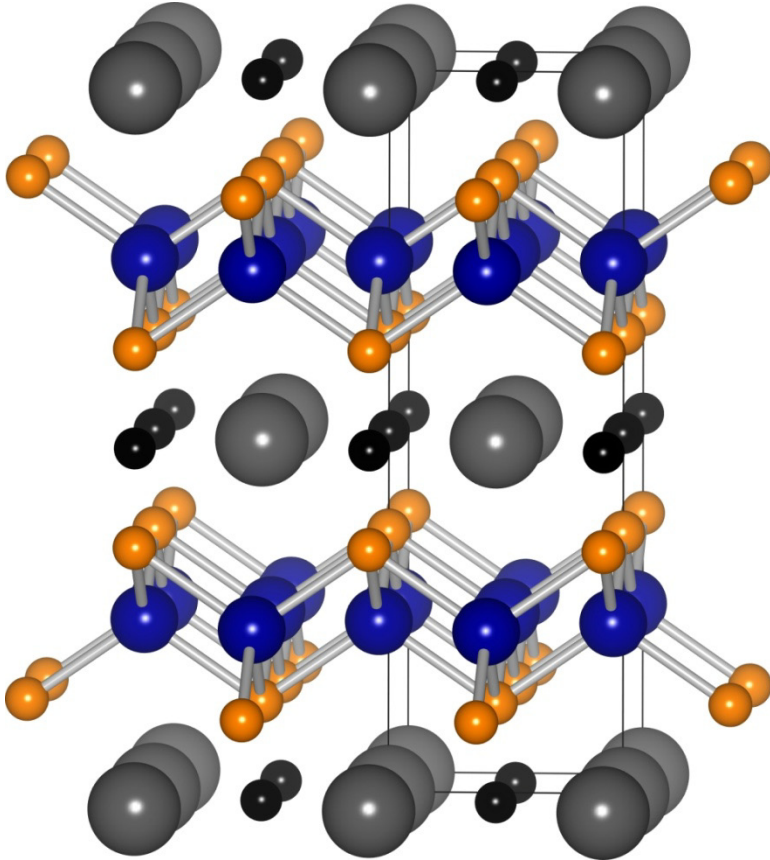
FIG. 4. Resistivity transition of (Ba_{0.6}K_{0.4})Fe₂As₂.

Characterization of the superconducting state.



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