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STRUCTURAL AND MAGNETIC STUDIES ON NEW CESIUM AND BARIUM FLUOROMETALLATES OF 3d TRANSITION ELEMENTS

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Looking for compounds Cs_2MF_4 the cesium richest composition we found at $M(II) = Co, Ni$ was $Cs_7M_4F_{15}$. X-ray single crystal work revealed a layer structure ($P2_1/c$, $Z=2$), built up from face-sharing double octahedra M_2F_9 which are mutually connected via three of their vertices. Some interatomic distances are given in Table I, along with data of six novel compounds $Ba_2AM_2F_9$ ($R\bar{3}m$, $Z=3$). The puckered layer structure of the latter consists of single octahedra, sharing three corners in a fac-position. It derives from the hexagonal perovskite structure of $CsCoF_3$ by omitting the central cations within the groups of three face-sharing octahedra.

The occurrence of three structure types at quaternary fluorides $BaM^{II}M^{III}F_7$ is discussed as dependent on r^{II}/r^{III} and r^{II}/r_F radius ratios. The magnetic properties of some nickel(II), manganese(II) and iron(III) compounds exhibiting one of the structures mentioned are reported.

Table I:

	a (pm)	b (pm)	c (pm)	$\beta(^{\circ})$	octahedral M-F (pm)		
					term.	bridg.	mean
$Ba_2RbFe_2F_9$	594.9		2083.7		199.4	213.2	206.3
$Ba_2CsCo_2F_9$	593.1		2131.8		198.8	211.4	205.1
$Cs_7Co_4F_{15}$	788.3	1096.6	1164.9	92.59	197.7	209.4	206.5
$Ba_2KNi_2F_9$	577.5		2075.6		196.1	206.4	201.3
$Ba_2RbNi_2F_9$	580.1		2099.4		196.0	206.4	201.2
$Ba_2CsNi_2F_9$	585.5		2120.9		196.9	207.1	202.0
$Cs_7Ni_4F_{15}$	787.2	1089.7	1149.5	92.74	196.3	206.1	203.7
$Ba_2CsZn_2F_9$	590.5		2127.9		195.8	212.7	204.3