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# *New homologous series of oxygen vacancy-ordered perovskite manganites: $Sr_N Mn_N O_{3N-2}$*

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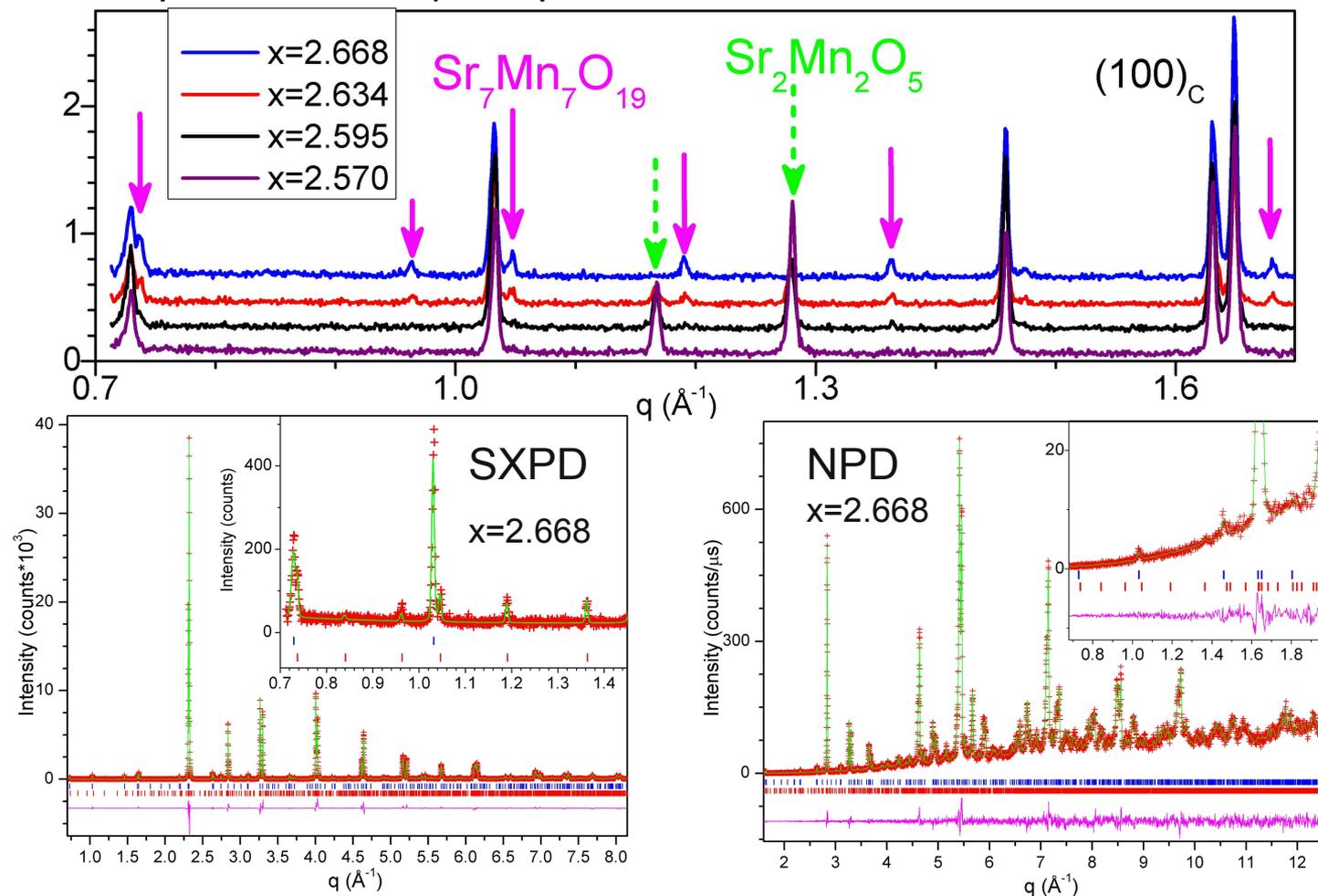
# Overview

- Background, vacancy-ordered perovskite phases in the  $\text{SrMnO}_x$  system
- Oxygen-vacancy, charge and orbital ordering in  $\text{Sr}_2\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_5$ ,  $\text{Sr}_5\text{Mn}_5\text{O}_{13}$  and  $\text{Sr}_7\text{Mn}_7\text{O}_{19}$
- A new homologous series  $\text{Sr}_N\text{Mn}_N\text{O}_{3N-2}$
- Other systems showing  $\text{A}_N\text{B}_N\text{O}_{3N-2}$ -type ordering
- Conclusions



## Background:

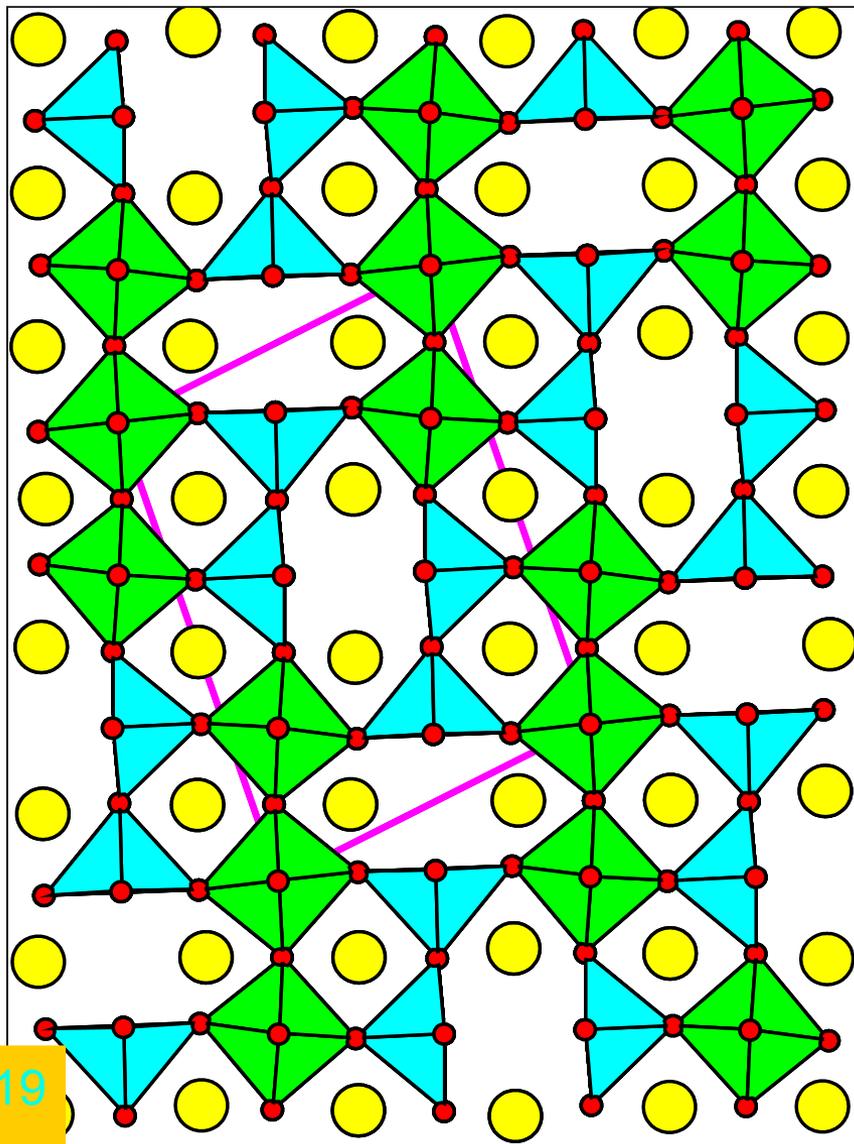
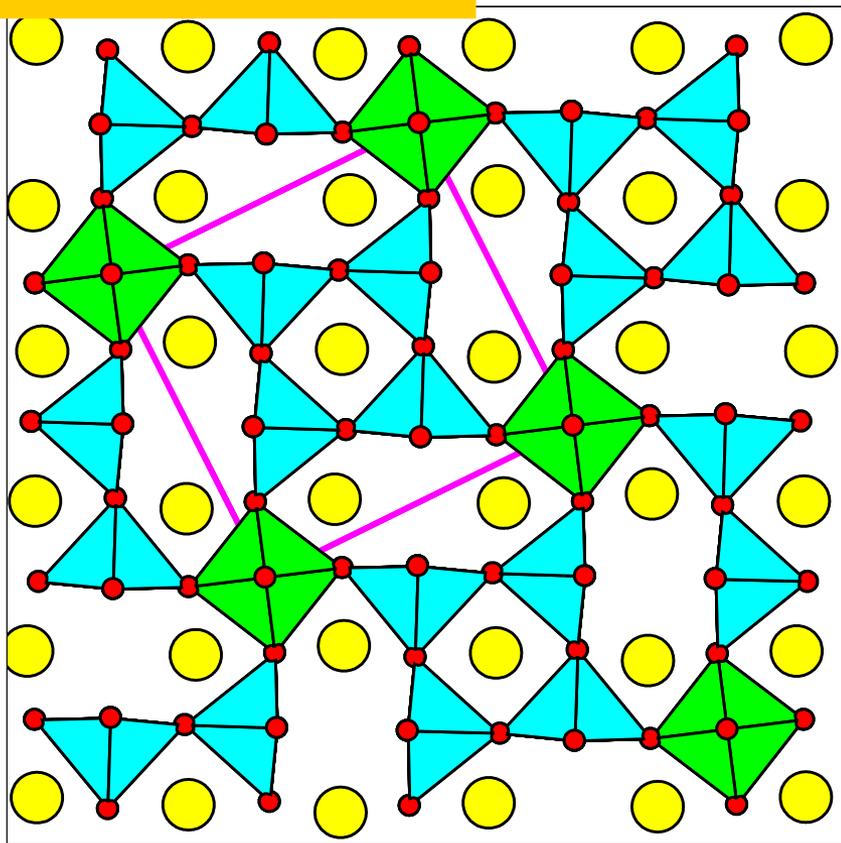
- Structures of  $Sr_5Mn_5O_{13}$  ( $SrMnO_{2.6}$ ) and the new  $Sr_7Mn_7O_{19}$  ( $SrMnO_{2.714}$ ) phases were determined using synchrotron X-rays and neutron TOF data from multi-phase  $SrMnO_x$  samples.



\* Suescun L., Chmaissem O., Dabrowski B., Mais J. & Jorgensen J.D., J. Solid State Chem (2007) In Press.

# Background: $Sr_5Mn_5O_{13}$ and $Sr_7Mn_7O_{19}$

**Sr5Mn5O13**



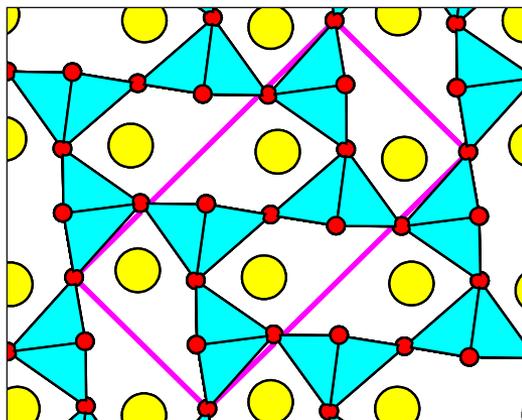
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Sr Mn O

# Charge ordering in $Sr_5Mn_5O_{13}$ and $Sr_7Mn_7O_{19}$



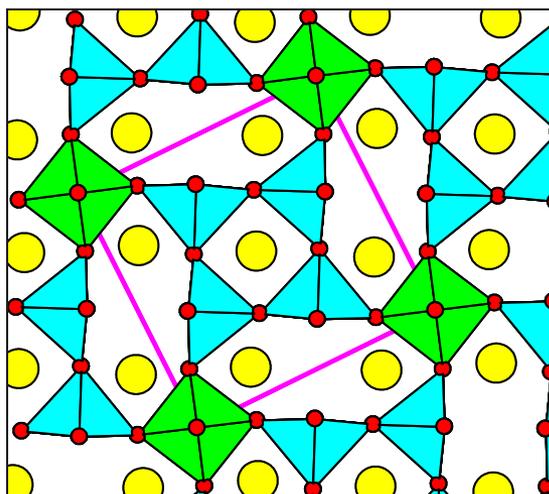
$Mn^{3+}$   
pyramids



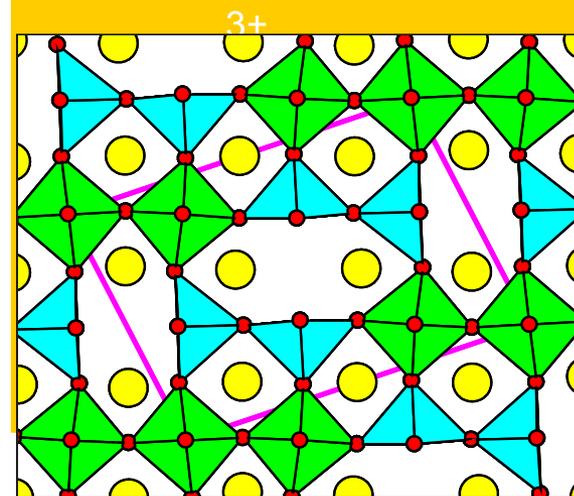
BV sum  
Mn1 3.08 (P)



4  $Mn^{3+}$  pyramids (P)  
1  $Mn^{4+}$  octahedron (O)



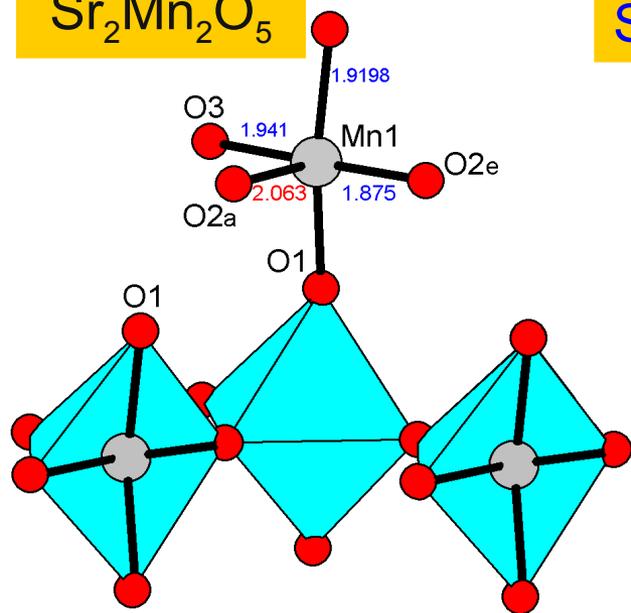
BV sum  
Mn1 3.81(O)  
Mn2 3.15 (P)



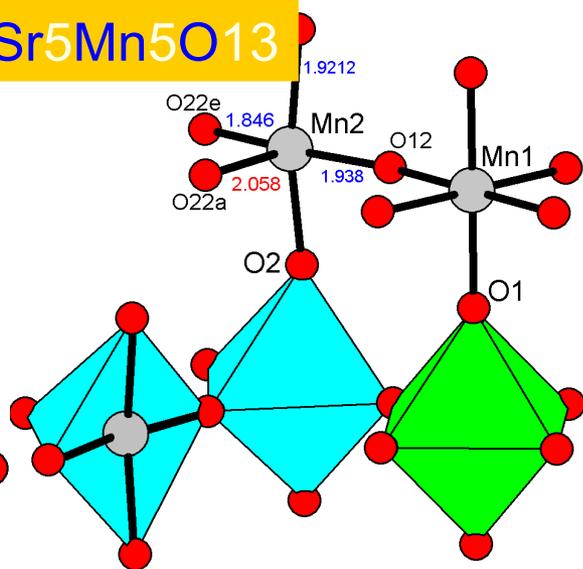
BV sum  
Mn1: 3.86; Mn2: 4.04 (O)  
Mn3: 3.07; Mn4: 3.12 (P)

# Orbital ordering in $Sr_5Mn_5O_{13}$ and $Sr_7Mn_7O_{19}$

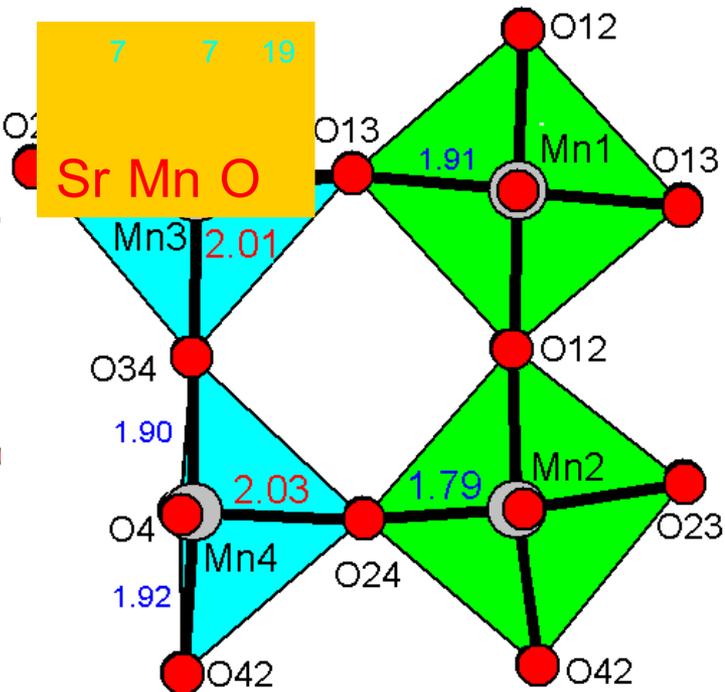
$Sr_2Mn_2O_5$



$Sr_5Mn_5O_{13}$



$Sr Mn O$



$Sr_2Mn_2O_5$	
Mn1	
O1 (x2)	1.9198(4)
O3	1.941(2)
O2a	1.875(3)

$Sr Mn O$	
Mn2	
O2 (x2)	1.9212(5)
O13	1.938(5)

$Sr Mn O$			
Mn3		Mn4	
O3 (x2)	1.923(3)	O4 (x2)	1.922(2)
O22	1.846(4)	O12	1.92(2)
			2.03(2)

$d^4 Mn^{3+}$  with occupied  $d_{z^2}$  orbital in elongated square pyramids

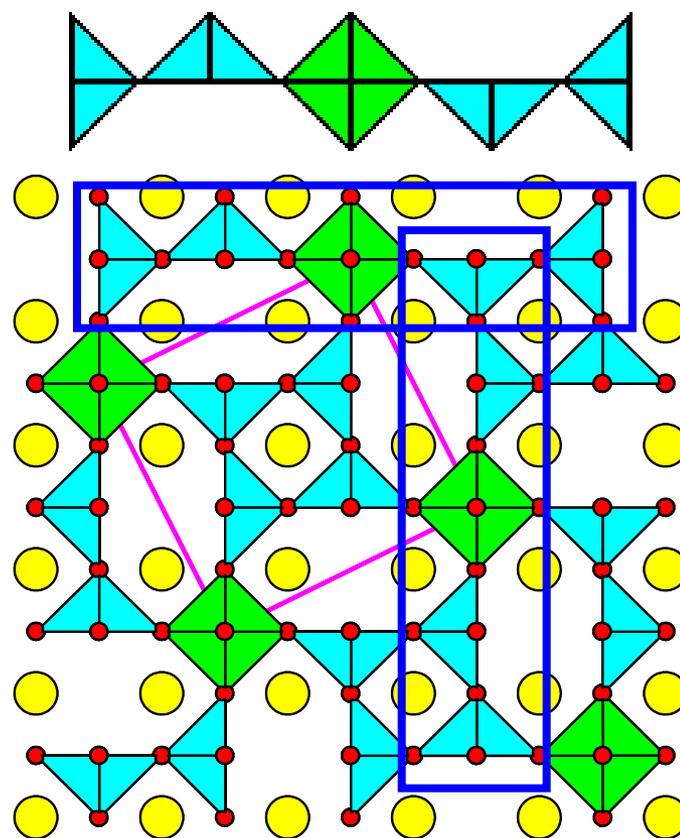
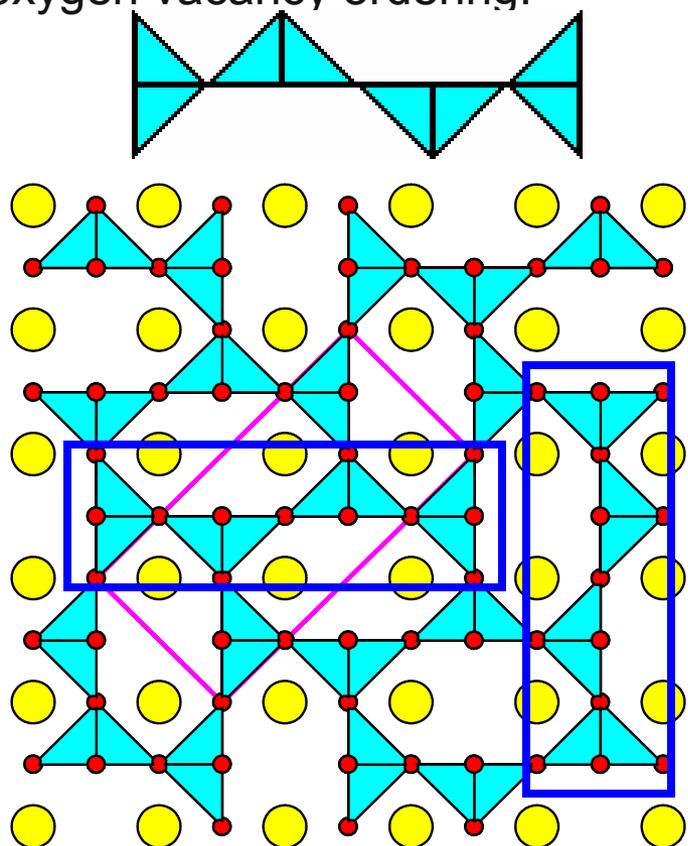
$d^3 Mn^{4+}$  in slightly distorted octahedra

## New homologous series $Sr_NMn_NO_{3N-2}$

- Chemical formula  $Sr_2Mn_2O_5$  should be re-written  $Sr_4Mn_4O_{10}$ .
- $Sr_4Mn_4O_{10}$ ,  $Sr_5Mn_5O_{13}$  and  $Sr_7Mn_7O_{19}$  comply with the notation  $Sr_NMn_NO_{3N-2}$  with  $N=4$ ,  $5$ , and  $7$ , respectively, for structures formed by  $4$   $Mn^{3+}$  pyramids and  $N-4$   $Mn^{4+}$  octahedra.
- Is this a new homologous series? What are building rules?
- Phases in the  $SrMnO_x$  series should have oxygen contents  $x$  related to  $N$  by  $x=3-2/N$ :  
 $N=4 \Rightarrow x=2.5$ ,  $N=5 \Rightarrow x=2.6$ ,  $N=6 \Rightarrow x=2.667$ ,  $N=7 \Rightarrow x=2.714$ ,  $N=8 \Rightarrow x=2.75$
- Is there other series of oxygen deficient perovskites ( $ABO_x$ ) displaying the same structural features?

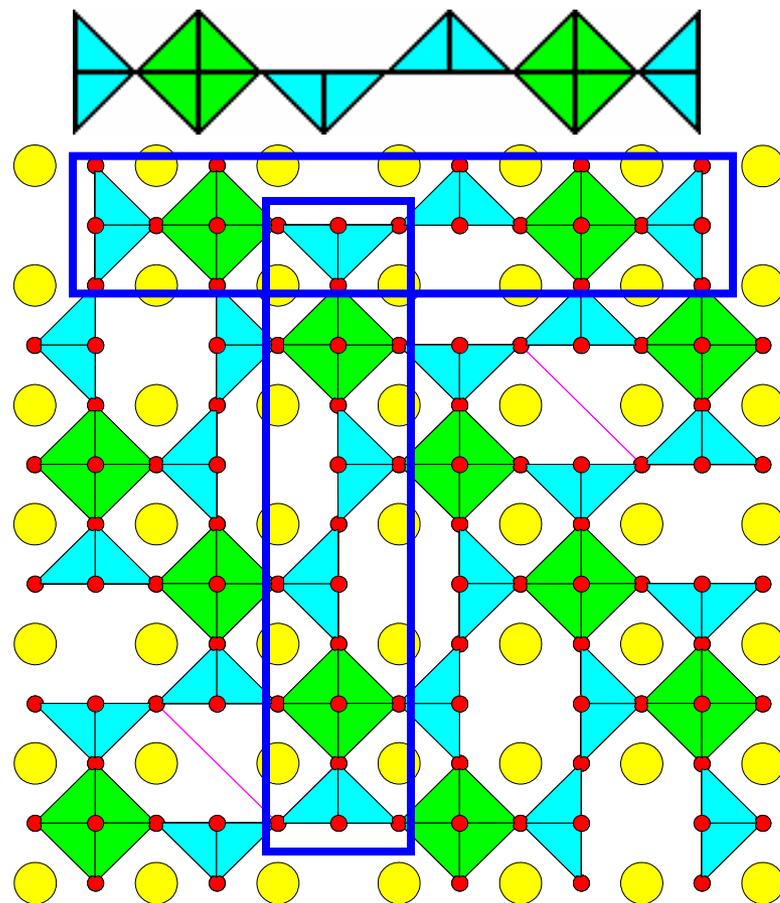
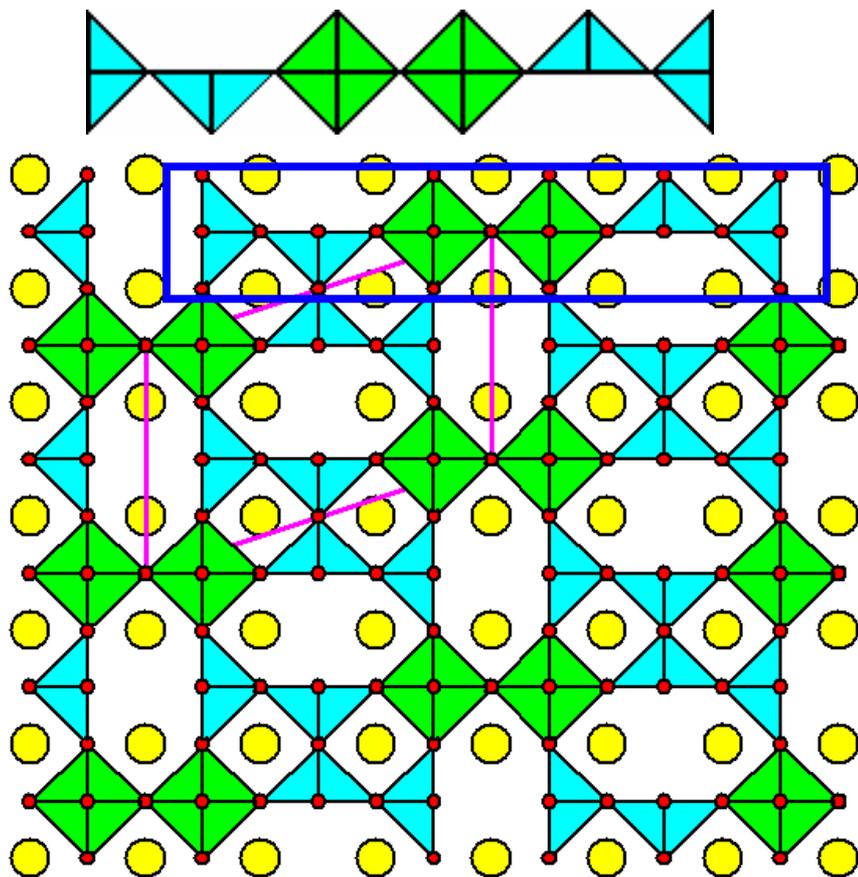
## New homologous series $Sr_N Mn_N O_{3N-2}$

- Models of  $Sr_4 Mn_4 O_{10}$  and  $Sr_5 Mn_5 O_{13}$  can be built by joining  $N=4$  and  $N=5$  building blocks formed by 4 pyramids and  $N-4$  octahedra with  $2/m$  symmetry.
- Building blocks allow for charge and orbital ordering associated with the oxygen vacancy ordering.



## New homologous series $Sr_NMn_NO_{3N-2}$

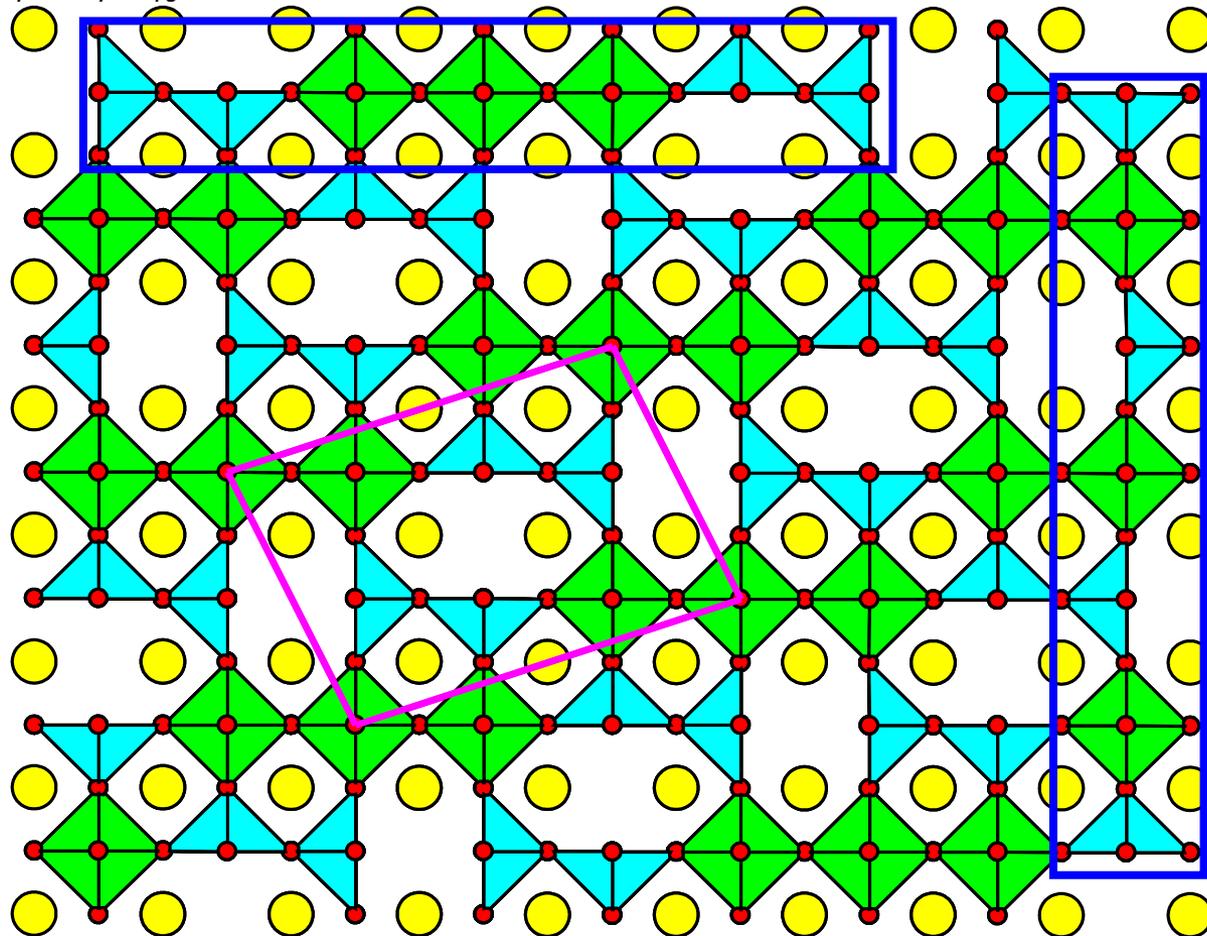
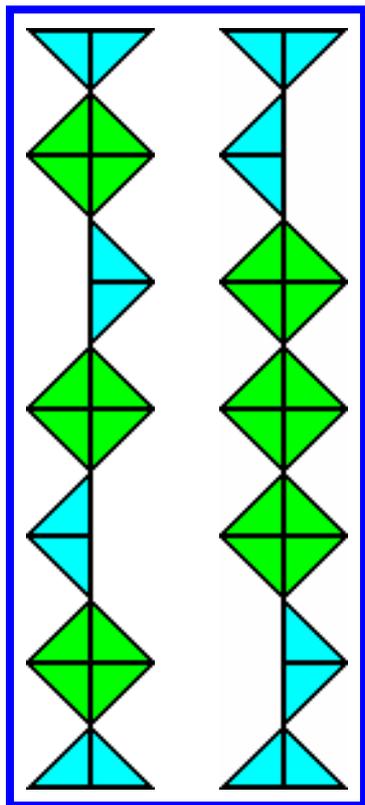
- Two different blocks of 4 pyramids and  $N-4=2$  octahedra with 2/m symmetry can generate the hypothetical compounds  $Sr_6Mn_6O_{16}$ .



Two possible structures associated with N=6 blocks, not observed

## New homologous series $Sr_NMn_NO_{3N-2}$

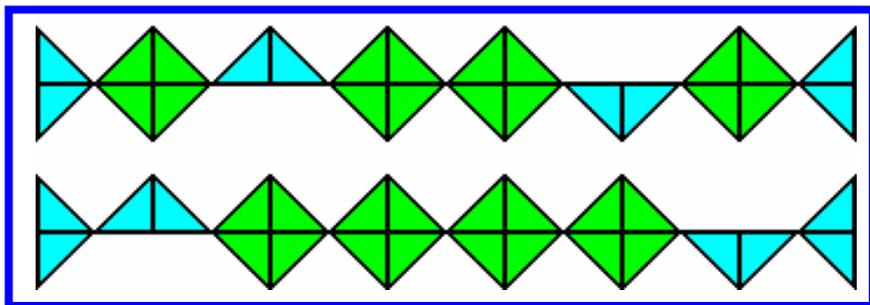
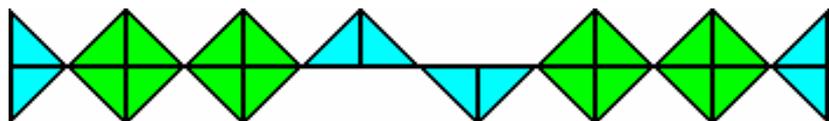
- Two blocks of 4 pyramids and  $N-4=3$  octahedra with 2/m symmetry can generate compound  $Sr_7Mn_7O_{19}$ .



Only one structural pattern is formed from both blocks

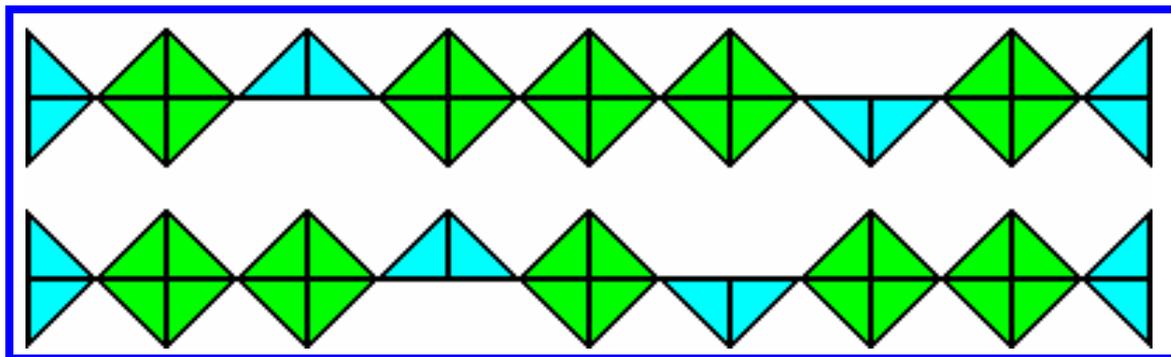
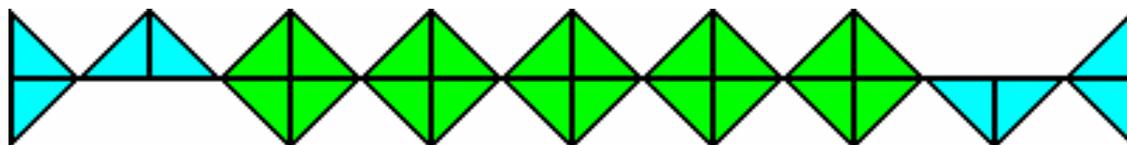
## New homologous series $Sr_N Mn_N O_{3N-2}$

- For  $N > 7$  three or more blocks lead to two or more  $Sr_N Mn_N O_{3N-2}$  compounds



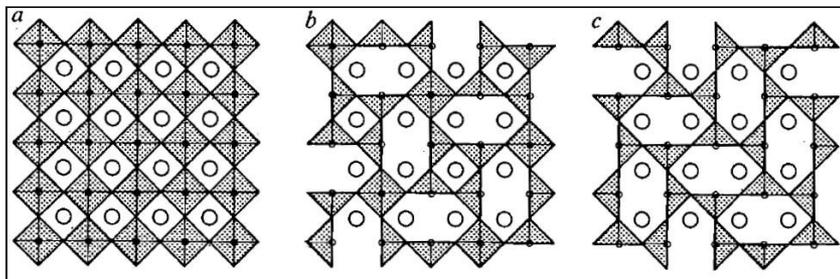
$N=8$ , 3 blocks form 2 different structural arrangements.

$N=9$ , 3 blocks form 2 different structural arrangements.



## Other systems showing $A_N B_N O_{3N-2}$ -type ordering:

### LaCuOx & NdCuOx systems



- **N=4** observed for  $d^9$   $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  (pyramids)
- **N=5** observed for  $d^9$   $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $d^8$   $\text{Cu}^{3+}$  (octahedra). Large monoclinic distortion observed
- No phases with **N>5** observed

Bringley et al, *Letters to Nature* (1990) 347, 263-265

Chen et al, *Inorg Chem.* (1995) 34, 2077-2083.

### CaMnOx system

■  $\text{Ca}_2\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_5$  (**N=4**) structure has been determined

■ HREM and ED studies of  $\text{CaMnO}_{2.667}$  and  $\text{CaMnO}_{2.75}$  have shown formation of local structures with unit cells compatible with those proposed for **N=6** ( $\text{Ca}_6\text{Mn}_6\text{O}_{16}$ ) and **N=8** ( $\text{Ca}_8\text{Mn}_8\text{O}_{22}$ ) members of the series respectively

■ A neutron powder diffraction of  $\text{CaMnO}_{2.75}$  was inconclusive possibly due to the coexistence of multiple ordering arrangements

Poeppelmeier et al *J. Solid State Chem.* (1982) 45, 79-79.

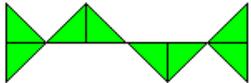
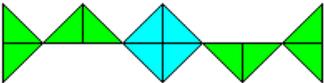
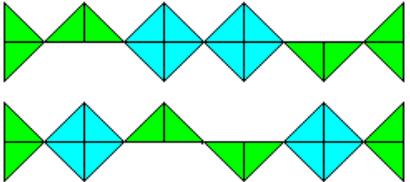
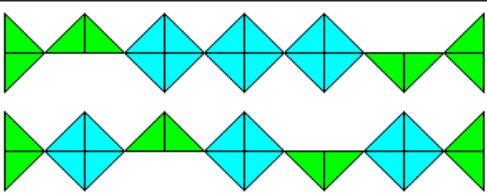
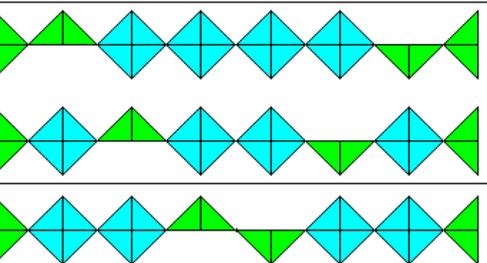
Reller et al *Proc. R. Soc. Lond. A* (1984) 349, 223-241.

Chiang & Poeppelmeier, *Mater Lett.* (1991) 12, 102-108.

Size and charge of A-site cation appears to play a key role in the stabilization of different structural patterns.

## Summary of observed phases $A_N B_N O_{3N-2}$

- Blocks formed by 4 pyramids and  $N-4$  octahedra with 2/m symmetry give rise to a series of compounds that could display orbital and charge ordering associated with the oxygen vacancy-ordering.

Building blocks	N	Cell setting, S.G.	Latt. param. (a, b, $\gamma \neq 90^\circ$ )	Observed
	4	Orthorhombic, Pbam	$\sqrt{2}a_p, 2\sqrt{2}a_p$	(Sr/Ca) <sub>4</sub> Mn <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> (La/Nd/Sr) <sub>4</sub> Cu <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub>
	5	Tetragonal, P4/m	$\sqrt{5}a_p, \sqrt{5}a_p$	Sr <sub>5</sub> Mn <sub>5</sub> O <sub>13</sub> (La/Nd) <sub>5</sub> Cu <sub>5</sub> O <sub>13</sub> (P2/m)
	6	Orthorhombic, Pbmm Monoclinic, P2/m	$\sqrt{2}a_p, 3\sqrt{2}a_p$ $2a_p, \sqrt{10}a_p, 108.4^\circ$	CaMnO <sub>2.667</sub> ?
	7	Monoclinic, P2/m	$\sqrt{5}a_p, \sqrt{10}a_p, 98.13^\circ$	Sr <sub>7</sub> Mn <sub>7</sub> O <sub>19</sub>
	8	Monoclinic, P2/m Orthorhombic, Pbam	$2\sqrt{2}a_p, \sqrt{10}a_p, 116.6^\circ$ $\sqrt{2}a_p, 4\sqrt{2}a_p$	CaMnO <sub>2.75</sub> ?

# Conclusions & Outlook

- New homologous series  $Sr_N Mn_N O_{3N-2}$  where Jahn-Teller orbital-ordered  $d^4$   $Mn^{3+}$  pyramids coexist with  $d^3$   $Mn^{4+}$  octahedra has been described by simple model of building blocks formed by 4 pyramids and  $N-4$  octahedra.
  - ⇒ Single-phase samples are under preparation to study magnetic and transport properties.
- $N=4$  and possibly  $N=6$  and  $8$  phases observed in  $Ca_N Mn_N O_{3N-2}$  system.
  - ⇒ Extension of the model to include asymmetric building blocks may explain multiphase behavior of  $CaMnO$  system.
- $N=4$  and  $N=5$  phases observed in the  $LaCuO_x$  and  $NdCuO_x$  systems show analogous charge and orbital order of  $d^9$   $Cu^{2+}$  pyramids and  $d^8$   $Cu^{3+}$  octahedra.
  - ⇒ Better understanding of electronic configuration relations among  $d$  and  $d$  manganates and cuprates could possibly be established.
- A-site cationic charge and size play a key role in the stabilization and distortion of various members of the series.

⇒ Theoretical calculations are performed to understand the A-site effect.

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## *In memoriam*



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