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Erratum to: Investigation of the first-order metamagnetic transitions and the colossal magnetocaloric effect using a Landau expansion applied to MnAs compound

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Revising the original paper [1], we have notice a wrong transformation of units, which caused wrong values of the experimental magnetization. To fit the corrected experimental values, we use new theoretical parameters. A few values along the text were changed. In spite of the corrections, the conclusions were not changed.

The new theoretical parameters (second paragraph of *Results and discussion* section) are: $\alpha = 0.2520 \text{ T}^2 \text{ K}^{-1} \text{ meV}^{-1}$, $\beta = 0.7171 \text{ T}^4 \text{ meV}^{-3}$ and $\gamma = 0.0622 \text{ T}^6 \text{ meV}^{-5}$. $\Phi_0(T)$ was chosen to give a maximum magnetic entropy $S^{\text{max}} = R \ln(2J + 1) = 13.4 \text{ J} \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$, which corresponds to the total angular moment J = 2.

In the eighth paragraph, the new values of theoretical entropy variations at 0 kOe are 5.7 and 10.8 J mol⁻¹ K⁻¹ on heating and on cooling, respectively. At 50 kOe, the new values are 4.3 and 5.3 J mol⁻¹ K⁻¹ on heating and on cooling, respectively. These values are larger than those reported in references [1,2].

In the ninth paragraph, the new values of theoretical ΔS_T maxima are 8.6 and 11.6 J mol⁻¹ K⁻¹ on heating and on cooling, respectively. The first value is larger than those in references [1,3,4].

Figures 1 to 5 should undergo changes, but these are only quantitative, keeping the same profile, and do not change any conclusion of the paper. The correction in the experimental magnetization is obtained multiplying the old values by the factor of 1.688. The new theoretical curves can be easily obtained using the new parameters cited above.

An extra correction, which is not related to the new parameters, must be performed in the third paragraph of the same section. In the passage "the curve $H_1(T)$ separates the ferromagnetic phase (FM) from the region of metastability during the heating process of the system. Meanwhile, the curve $H_2(T)$ separates that region of metastability from the paramagnetic phase (PM), during the cooling process", we must exchange "heating process" by "cooling process" and vice-versa. In the passage "the curve $H_1(T)$ separates the ferromagnetic phase from the region of metastability when the process is performed decreasing the magnetic field. The curve $H_2(T)$ separates the paramagnetic phase from the region of metastability when increasing the magnetic field", we must exchange "decreasing the magnetic field" by "increasing the magnetic field" and vice-versa.

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