Enhanced Nernst effect in 112-phase nickel oxide superconductors

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We investigated the temperature dependence of resisitivity, Hall effect, Seebeck effect and Nernst effect on high-quality ($La_{0.8}Sr_{0.2}$)NiO₂ superconducting thin films with T_c of 17 K. The linear temperature dependence of resistivity in normal state strongly suggests a strange metal behavior. The Hall coefficient (R_H) shows a deviation from high temperature behavior below 90 K and a significantly enhanced Nernst effect is observed in the same temperature rigon. We compared the results with the cases of high-Tc cupratesa nd iron-based arsenides. Whether the strongly Nernst enhanced effect above T_c is an indicate of strong phase fluatuations or originates from the stronge metal state is discussed.