

Polarized ^3He in CLAS12

High-Field MEOP Target Status

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Metastability Exchange and Spin Exchange Optical Pumping

SEOP

- Pump: alkali metals in mixture
- Transfer: spin exchange
- Low pumping rate
- Walls carefully selected
- Needs oven (473 K)
- 100 W laser typical
- **Large pressure range (1 to 13 bar)**

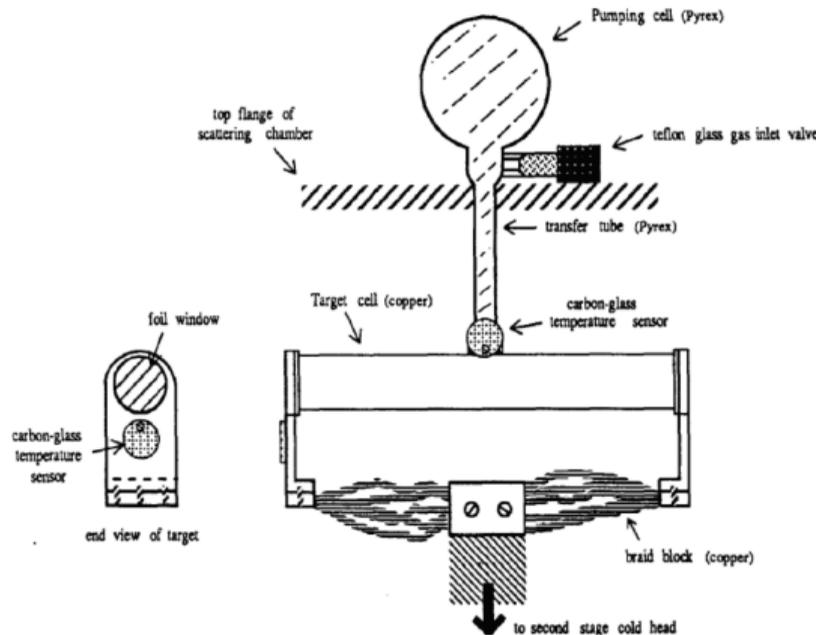
MEOP

- Pump: metastable population
- Transfer: metastability exchange
- High pumping rate
- Less sensitive to wall interactions
- Temperature above 100 K
- 4 W laser typical
- **Limited pressure (~ 1 mbar)**

- Pressure attainable has made SEOP the most attractive tool for JLab
- Neither have historically worked at high field

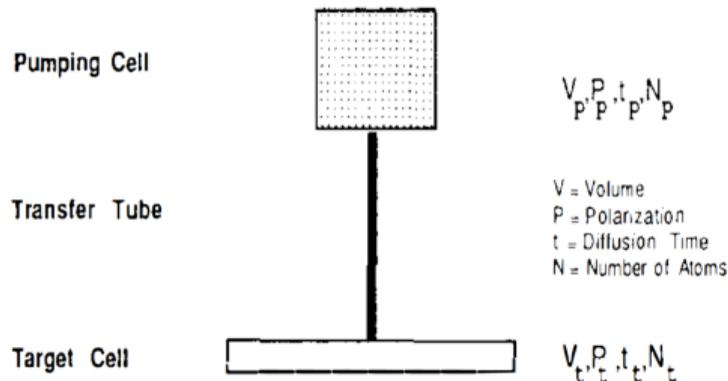
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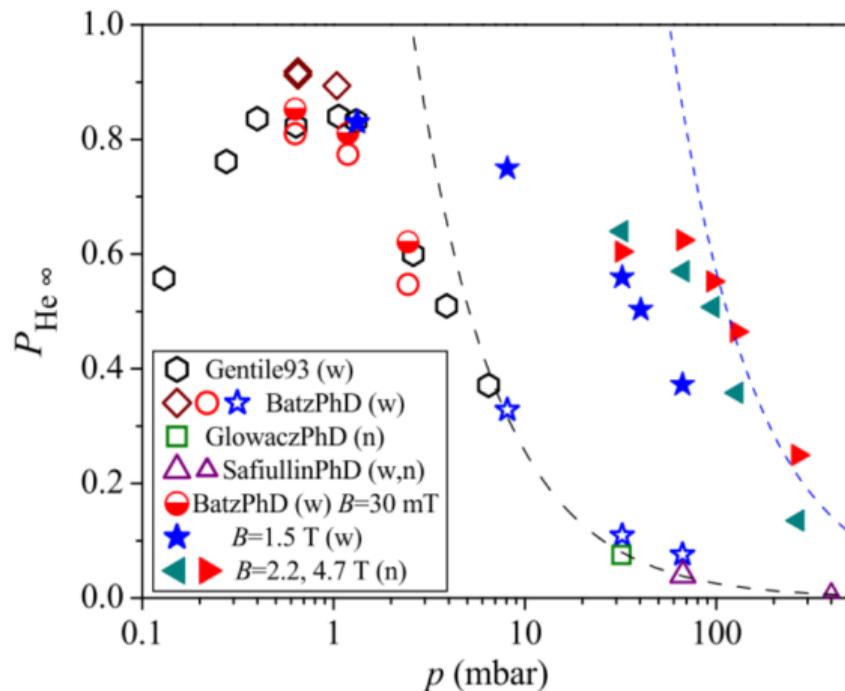
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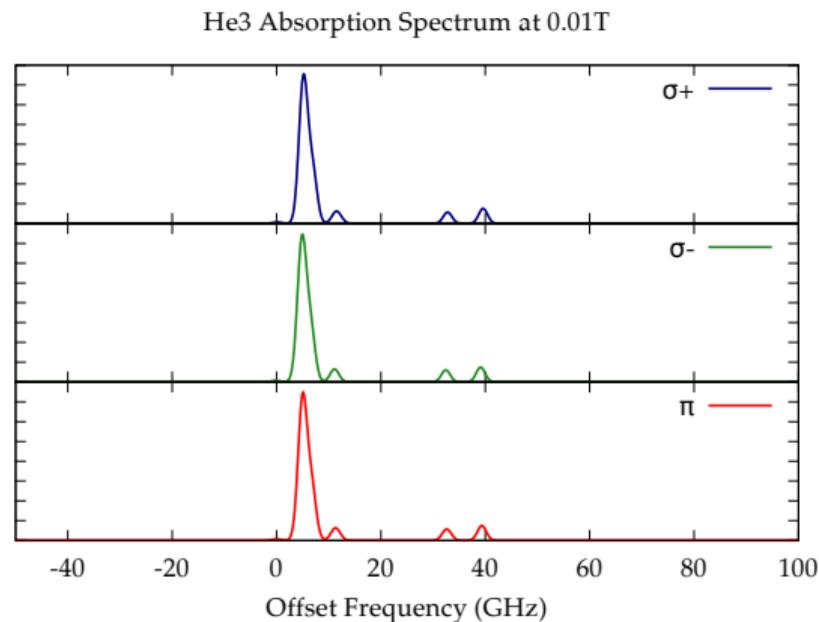
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From Gentile, Nacher, Saam, Walker (2017)

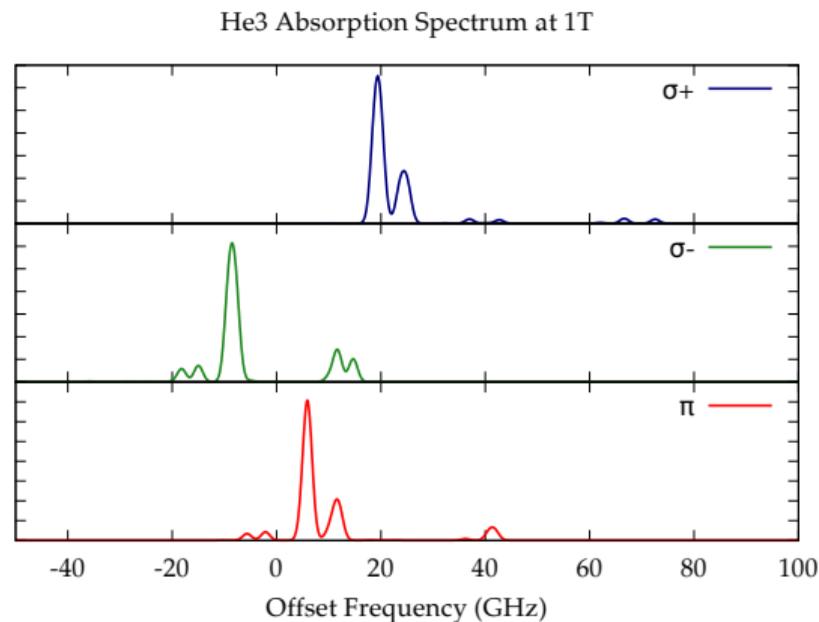
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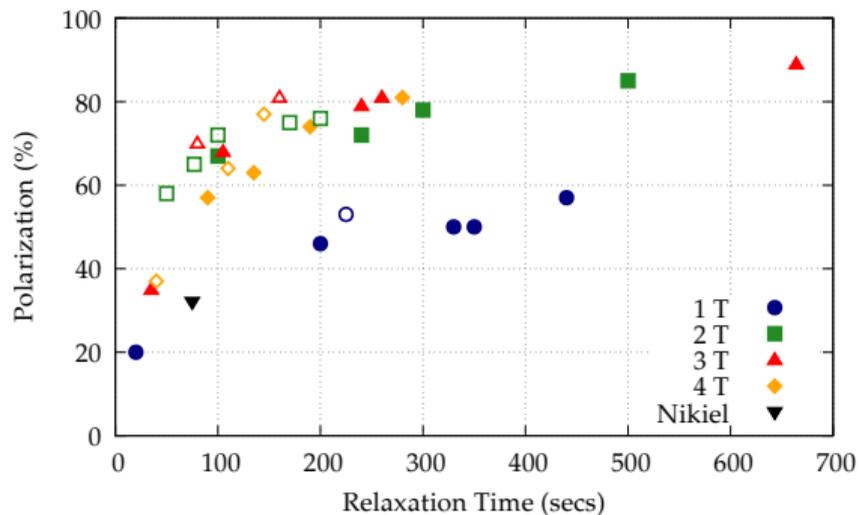
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The Idea

Double-Cell Cryo Target

- Polarize at 300 K
- Transfer to 5 K target cell
- Density increase 60×

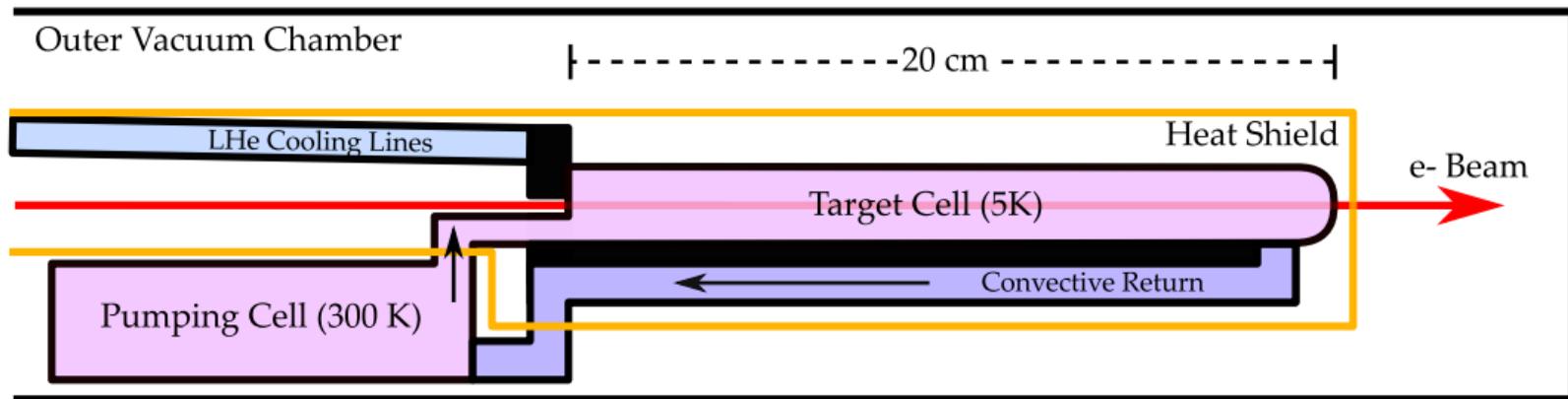
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High Field MEOP

- High Polarization ($\sim 60\%$)
- High magnetic fields (5 T)
- Pressure increase 100×

- MEOP at 1 mbar offers 10,000× less density than SEOP at 10 bar
- This scheme increases MEOP density by 6,000×
- Reaches CLAS12 max luminosity with 4.5×10^{34} $^3\text{He}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$ at $2.5 \mu\text{A}$

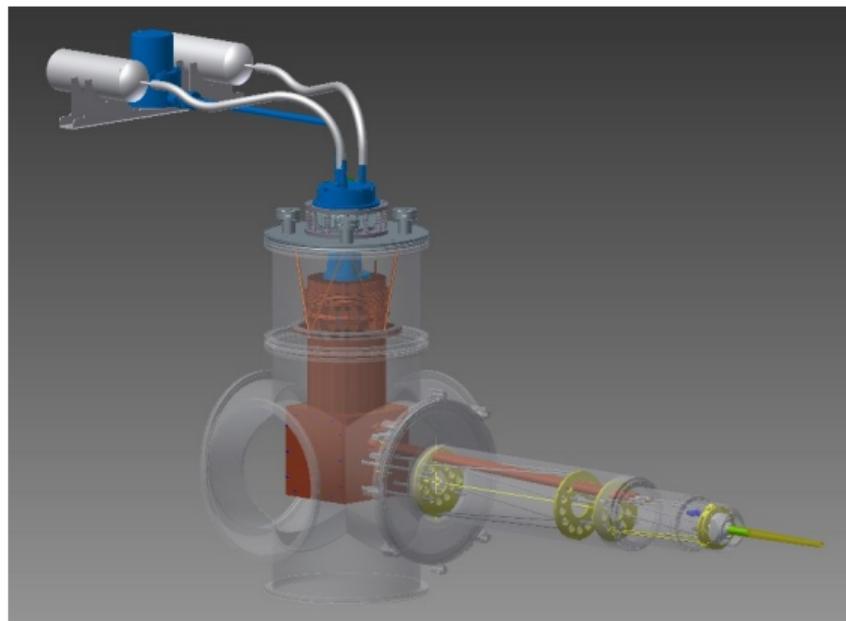
Proposed Target



- Cell volumes: 100 cm^3 , Cell pressure: 100 mbar, Polarization: 60%
- Beam Current: $2.5 \mu\text{A}$, Luminosity: $4.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ } ^3\text{He}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$ at $2.5 \mu\text{A}$
- Must fit in tight space constraint of CLAS12 ($\sim 10 \text{ cm}$)

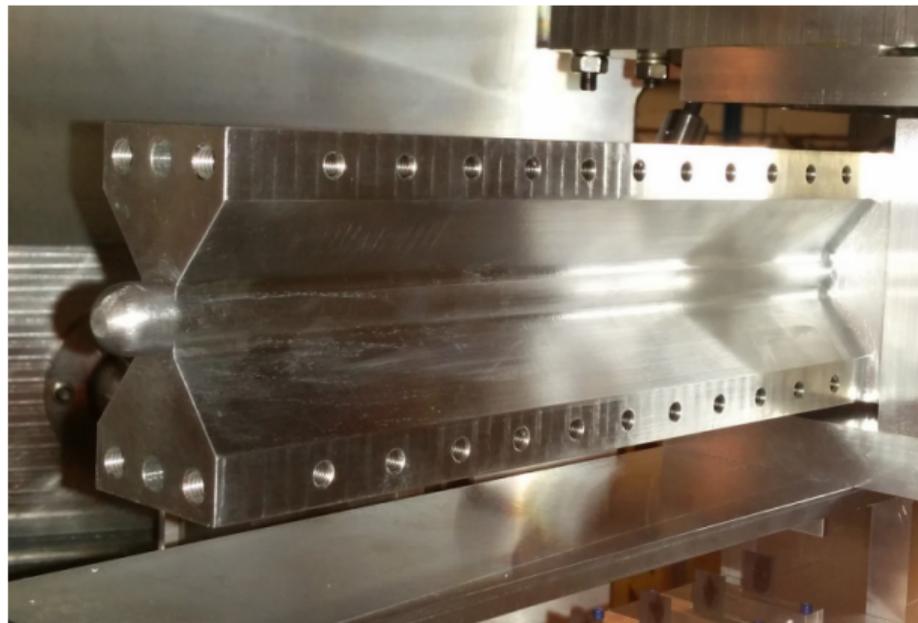
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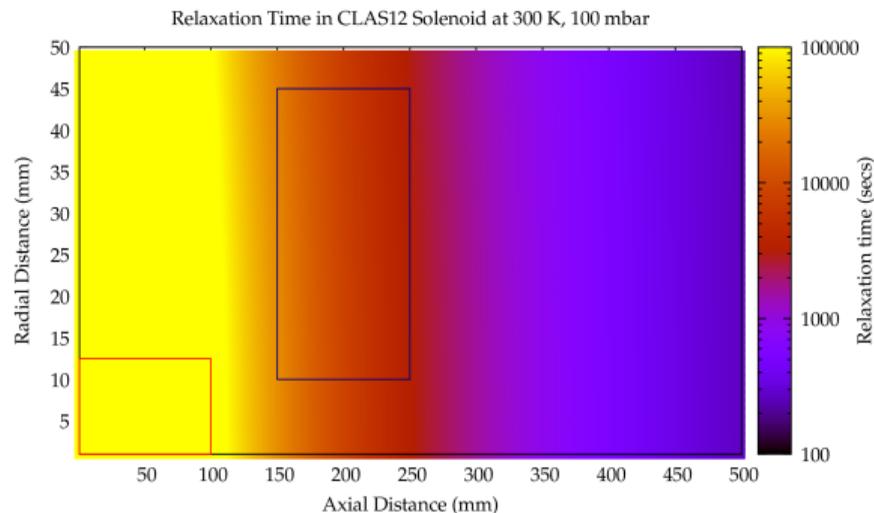
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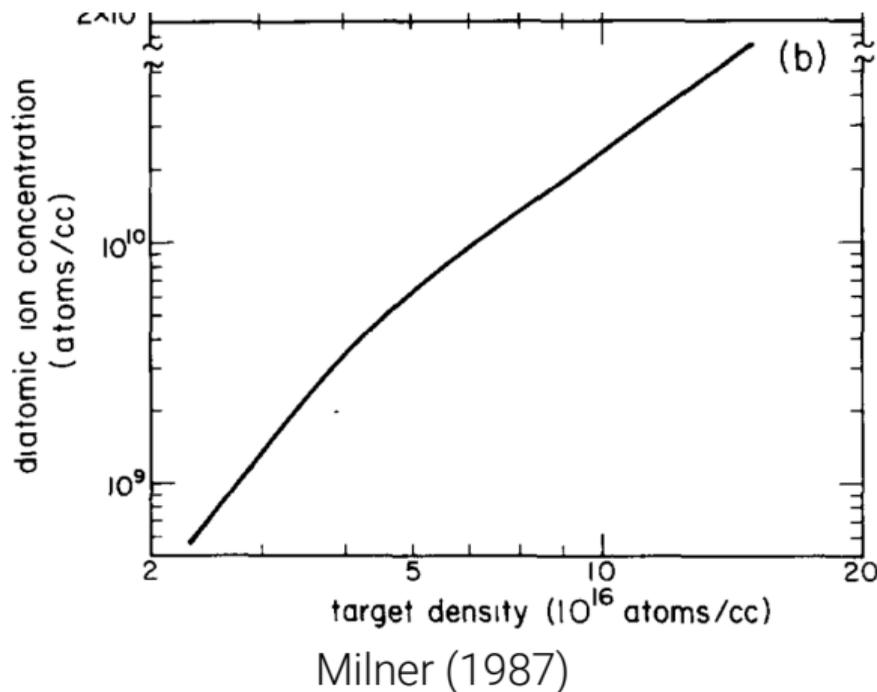
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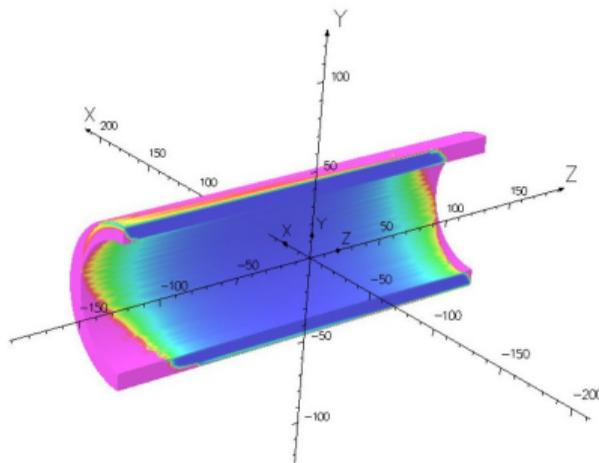
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- Use same concept, but holding field ~ 50 G
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- Needs development



MgB2 cylinder:
86 mm \emptyset
250 mm long
7 mm wall

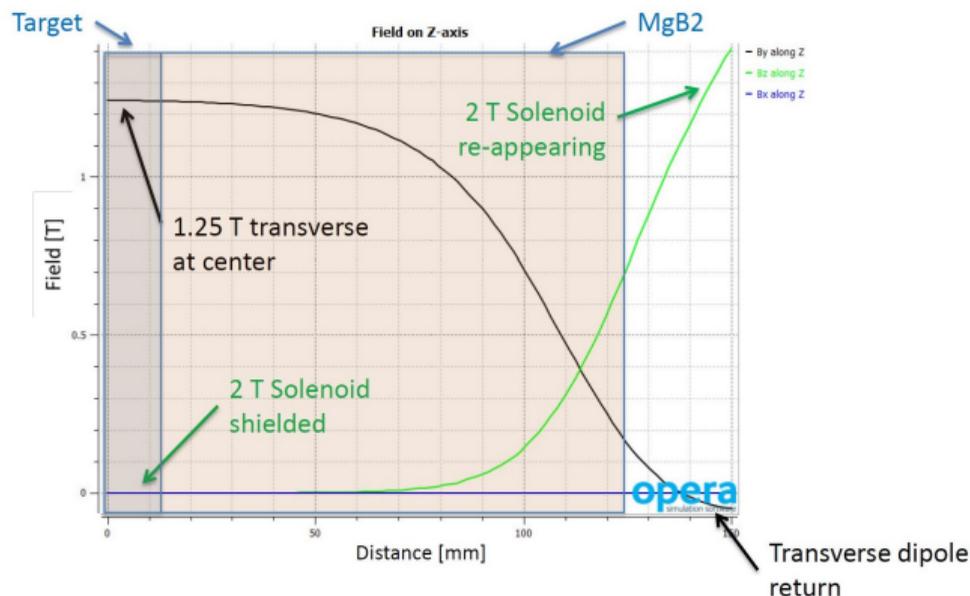
1.25 T transverse magnetization
2.0 T axial shield
 5×10^{-3} uniformity (Y_{20}/Y_{00})
over 20 mm radius sphere

Image: M. Lowry

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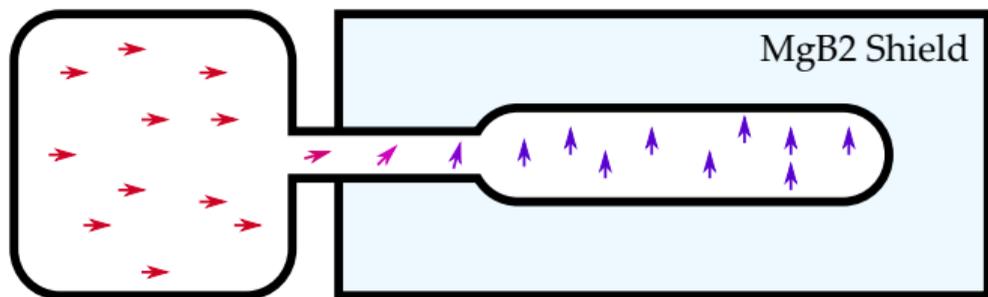
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Field along Cylinder Axis



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Outlook

- Meeting with Hall B, Target Group technical staff in 2019: idea is sound
- Design in progress for tests of convection
- Target Group working with M. Lowry on his bulk superconductor Opera simulations
- DOE early career grant proposal to investigate full system, including transverse and UITF studies, submitted in March
- JLab 2020 LDRD proposal in progress, three year program

Test Target LDRD Procurement Budget

- 7T Magnet: \$160,000.00
- Pump Laser (2): \$28,500.00
- Probe Laser (2): \$24,790.60
- Cryopump: \$12,400.00
- Signal Generator: \$3,900.00
- RF Amplifier: \$2,100.00
- Pfeiffer Dry Turbopump Set: \$7,995.00
- Pulse Tube: \$63,790.00
- Wavelength Meter: \$27,100.50
- Cryostat: \$45,000.00
- Pfeiffer Turbopump Set: \$19,500.00
- Glass cells: \$20,000.00
- Optics: \$10,000.00
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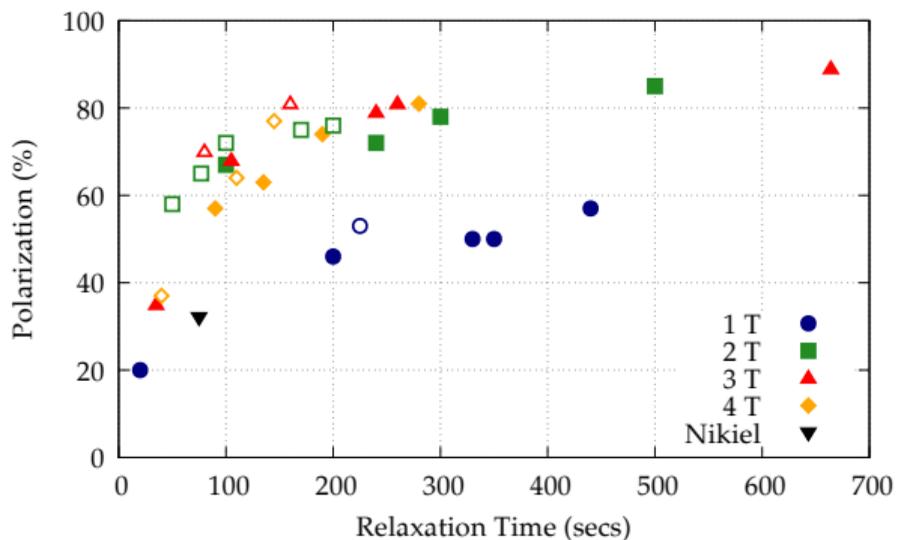
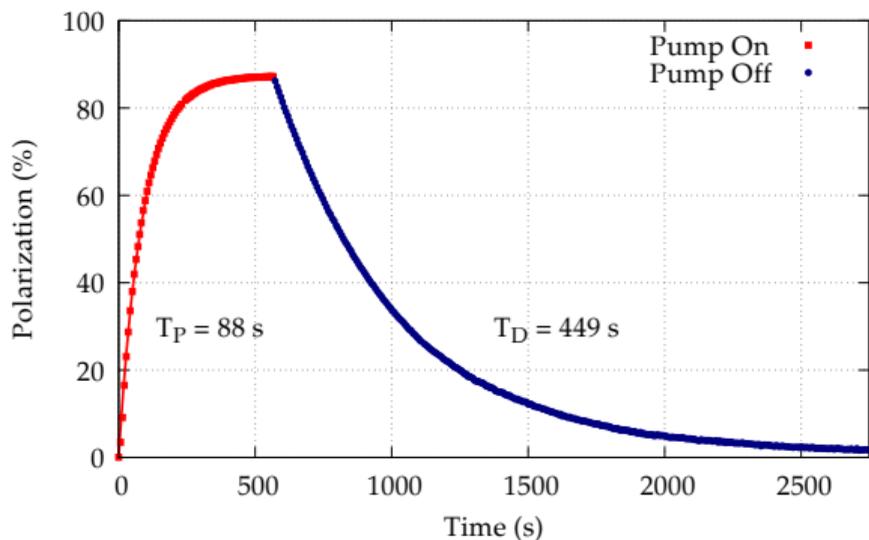
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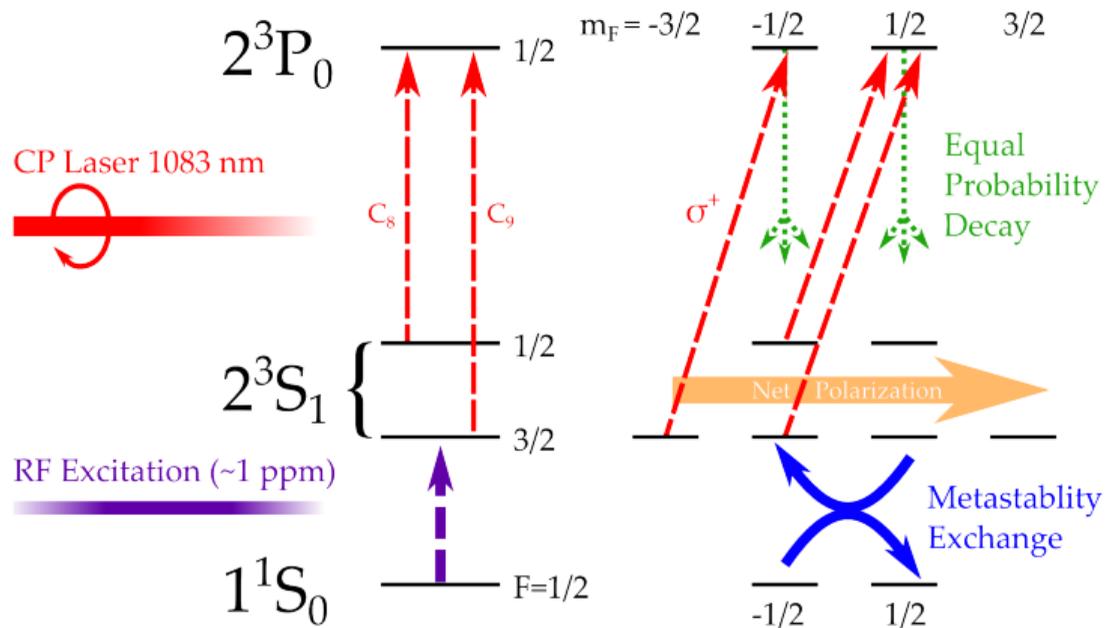
| Parameter | Bates 88-02 Target Achieved | CLAS12 Target Proposed |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Pumping cell pressure (mbar) | 2.6 | 100 |
| Pumping cell volume (cm ³) | 200 | 120 |
| Target cell volume (cm ³) | 79 | 100 |
| Target cell length (cm) | 16 | 20 |
| Number of atoms in pumping cell | 1.2×10^{19} | 3×10^{20} |
| Number of atoms in target cell | 6×10^{19} | 1.5×10^{22} |
| Holding field (T) | 0.003 | 5 |
| Polarization | 40% | 60% |
| Incident electron beam energy (GeV) | 0.574 | 10 |
| Cell temperature (K) | 17 | 5 |
| Target thickness ($^3\text{He}/\text{cm}^2$) | 1.2×10^{19} | 3×10^{21} |
| Beam current (μA) | 10 | 2.5 |
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High Field MEOP at 1 mbar



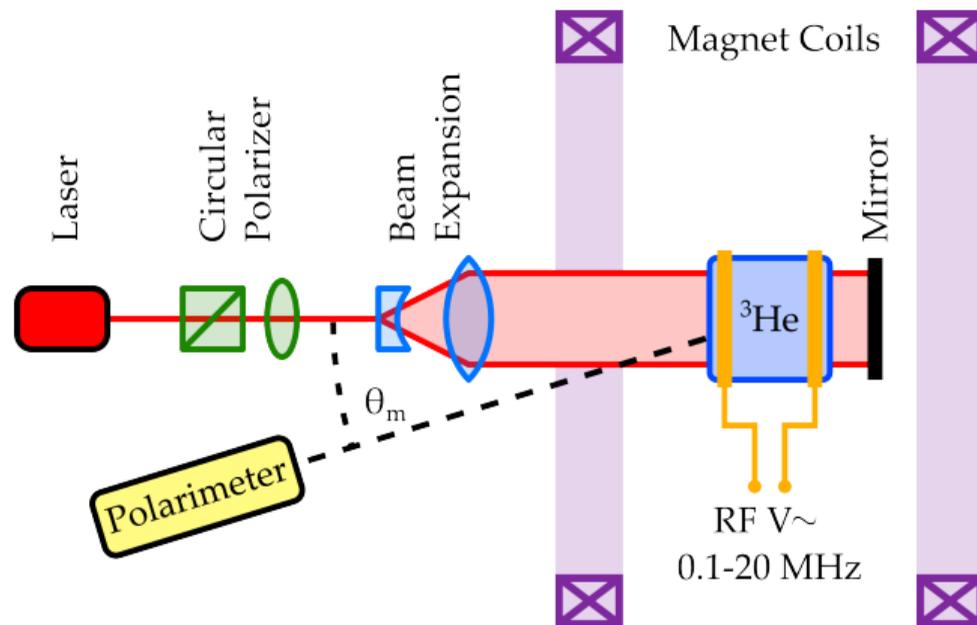
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CLAS12 Target Constraints

- Getting a conventional polarized ^3He target in CLAS12 is tricky:
 - Remove solenoid, OR
 - Put target upstream of solenoid, OR
 - Transfer polarized gas into solenoid
- To operate in the standard configuration:
 - Fit inside solenoid (10 cm diameter space to work with)
 - Operate at 5 T

