Hall-B Status Report

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Comments to Visitors and Users

- Single point-of-contact for Hall B visitors is admin support Chris Ross (cross@jlab.org)
- New User Visit Initiation Form from Hall B staff to help, but not required by JLab
- All documentation needs to be submitted 7 days in advance of the visit, also for meetings
- Every visitor must check in and check out with their hosts upon arrival and ending the visit
- New regulations require pre-job briefings for every work task that is performed
- New regulations require ePAS permits to be signed before work commences (the Electronic Permit Administration System ePAS manages work permits, isolations, risk assessments, job hazard analyses, etc.)



Active JLab training: Applicable ePAS permits associated with each task: PAS permits that need to be prepared to support the work tasks: Required site access: Requested Support from JLab:

- Visitor must register for Site Access using the following link: https://misportal.jlab.org/jlabAccess/
- Visitor must check-in with host before work begins and check-out with host upon ending visit
- All work tasks require pre-job briefing before starting
- Applicable ePAS permits must be signed by visitor before work begins

Comments to Visitors and Users

For preparing and performing the run, there
is operation support available for visitors at the
discretion of the Hall leader

(e.g. for building, testing, installing, operating, or calibrating experimental equipment, readout electronics development and maintenance, DAQ software development and maintenance, sitting shifts, serving as Run Coordinator, preparing requisite safety documentation, other operations tasks)

- In FY2025, actual Hall B budget for supporting visitors is smaller than it should
- For research tasks, there is almost no research support available for visitors at the discretion of the Hall leader (e.g. serving as Spokesperson of a running experiment, mentoring or supervising students or postdocs, attending or speaking at conferences, workshops, or seminars, performing physics simulations for proposals or analyses, preparing scientific proposals, notes, or publications, scientific data analysis (post experiment)

Comments to Visitors and Users

- If you were issued a Tourist (WT) visa and not a Business (WB) visa at the US port of entry, the lab is not allowed to pay any expenses for you and hands on research is not allowed and is against immigration regulations – it is a USCIS U.S. Department of State visa regulation. You will not be allowed to get a JLab badge
- You may begin to receive support or do hands on research when your visa type is changed
- We recently experienced several instances and changing the visa type could take as long as 10 days

- DOE Oder 142.3 regarding Foreign National
 Visits has changed, waiting for consequences
- Potential shift in visitor travel processes possible
- Nonetheless, JLab cold be a nice place to travel



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Hall B



Hall B Staff

Group Leader

Achenbach, Patrick

Scientific Staff

Avagyan, Harut

Baltzell, Nathan

Boyarinov, Sergey

Burkert, Volker

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Carman, Daniel

De Vita, Raffaella

Dilks, Christopher Elouadrhiri, Latifa

Gavalian, Gagik Gotra, Yuri Hauenstein, Florian Kubarovsky, Valery Mokeev, Viktor Paremuzyan, Rafayel Pasyuk, Eugene Sharabian, Youri Stepanyan, Stepan Ungaro, Maurizio Wei, Xiangdong Ziegler, Veronique

Post Docs

Liyanaarachchi, Sara

Tyson, Richard

Joint Appointments

Heddle, David (CNU) Phelps, William (CNU)

Administrative

Support

Ross, Christopher

Engineering Staff Dobrenz, Phillip Miller, Robert Designer Staff Chris Guthrie Technical Staff Bruhwel, Krister Cook, Morgan Docherty, Steve Insley, Denny Mealer, Calvin Tucker, Dontre Williams, Donald

Expertise for PRad-II / X17 Operations in Hall B

Electrical, Pressure and Vacuum Systems, Gas, Hot Work, etc. **Denny Insley** Morgan Cook Steve Docherty Calvin Mealer Dontre Tucker **Donald Williams**

Engineering

Bob Miller

Design

Chris Guthrie Phillip Dobrenz

Power Supplies Krister Bruhwel

Beamline Eugene Pasyuk Stepan Stepanyan

Target Xiangdong Wei Phillip Dobrenz

Work Coordination **Denny Insley** Morgan Cook

PRad/X17 Detectors Eugene Pasyuk Youri Sharabian

Trigger

PDL/Safety Eugene Pasyuk

Valery Kubarovsky Gagik Gavalian Rafayel Paremuzyan Richard Tyson

Software/Data Processing Nathan Baltzell

Data Monitoring

Gagik Gavalian Raffaella De Vita

Slow Control Nathan Baltzell

Data Acquisition Sergey Boyarinov

Beamline DAQ Rafayel Paremuzyan

New Hires in Hall-B Group

- Spin-Polarized Fusion & Hall-B Technician Donald Williams started August 16
 - Machine and install cryogenic equipment and Hall B systems
 - He has been welding and fabricating for over 40 years
 - He is working on the PRad target
- Spin-Polarized Fusion & Hall-B Systems Engineer Phillip Dobrenz started May 1
 - Design and commission cryogenic equipment and Hall B systems

- Hall-B Postdoc Pierre Chatagnon left for a permanent position at CEA in Paris-Saclay
- Hall-B Postdoc Bhawani Singh (TUM, Munich) will start February 2025

Preparations for PRad-II / X17 Run



Experiment Readiness Review in Jan. 2025

The review includes an **experiment installation plan, timeline and resource requirements**. Things that must be presented or available for this ERR include:

- Experiment
- Who is assigned as Physics Division Liaison for the experiment
- Installation schedule
- Preliminary commissioning and run plans
- System ownership and responsibility
- Preliminary data analysis plan
- Equipment
- Existing equipment requirements finalized
- New equipment design and requirements including cost finalized (if applicable)
- Timeline for equipment fabrication & installation (if applicable)
- Manuals for new equipment available
- Certification for new equipment available

- Manpower
- Manpower and resource requirements for equipment fabrication (if applicable) and installation
- Documentation
- Preliminary OSPs for new systems (official forms with Subject Matter Experts indicated)
- Flammable gas analysis if applicable
- Preliminary: RSAD, ESAD, COO, ERG,
 Operations Manual
- Equipment Installation

Typical ERR Questions

Data taking

- What is the trigger configuration?
- What is the expected data volume?

Simulations

- Which event generators are used? Do they adequately generate events of interest and background?
- Is the experimental setup fully simulated?

How are the detectors calibrated?

- Energy of the calorimeter
- Timing calibration
- How are the detectors aligned?
- How is the PID performed?
- Is the reconstruction software adapted to the new configuration?

Data analysis

- What is the status of the analysis chain?

Collaboration resources

- Are the person-power and skill set assigned adequate?
- Provide a detailed and realistic evaluation of the available FTE with names if possible

- Location Requirements such as power requirements, water, gas, cryogenics, safety boundaries
- Dimensions, weight How will it be held? If a support structure is used, who did the design/fabrication? How will it be positioned and moved?
- Special hazards associated to build/operate the setup – Flammable materials, oxygen deficiency hazard, high pressure, radioactivity, toxic or noxious fumes, repetitive handling/operation, special equipment

- Electronic equipment Developed in-house,
 another lab or university? Was the equipment
 borrowed or bought? Was it modified? JLab is
 required to check equipment which has no seal
 of approval from a Recognized Testing
 Laboratory
- Personnel to work on setup –JLab staff,

professors, students? Do they have previous experience working on same or similar setups? Does any of the work they will perform require specialized training? Do the personnel involved understand the risks involved?

PDL

- Oversees that proper rules of safety are carefully followed in the conduct of the experiment
- Verifies training of shift workers
- Ensures that Counting House is staffed appropriately to safely carry out the experimental program or monitor the apparatus as needed
- With great responsibility comes great power
- Eugene Pasyuk's deputy is Rafayel Paremuzyan
- Denny Insley's deputy is Morgan Cook



- Katheryne Price is Accel. Operations Liaison
- Michael Tiefenback is Accel. Physicist Liaison

Activities for PRad Collaboration in Hall B

- New scintillator system designed and constructed at JLab
- Beam-lines for PRad2/X17 designed; Vacuum tank inspected
- PRad target is being set up in ESB



Related Detector Research & Developments



Test stand for new µRWELL versions

LDRD project by Florian Hauenstein and Sara Liyanaarachchi



Test stand for CLAS12 µRWELL prototype

Luminosity upgrade project by Stepan Stepanyan



- **GEM Working Group** by Drew Weisenberger
- GEM Cooperation with Holly Szumila Vance (FIU) and Michael Kohl (Hampton)

Related Hall B Experiments & Proposals



First Displaced Vertex Analysis in Heavy Photon Search



- Including both, bump hunt and displaced vertex search
- Results from 2.3 GeV 2016 engineering run

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• Excludes A' production over mass range 40 – 180 MeV down to $\epsilon^2 = 10^{-5}$

[P. H. Adrian et al. (HPS Collab.), Phys. Rev. D 108, 012015, 21 July 2023]

HPS Collaboration News

- HPS Collaboration Meeting 3–5 June
 - 24 registered participants
 - 7 current graduate students
- Alec Spellman (UC Santa Cruz) graduated "Searching for Strongly-Interacting Dark Matter with the HPS Experiment"



- Analysis progress on:
 - A' displaced vertex search in 2021 data
 - Resonance search in 2019/2021 data (with improved background modeling)
 - Calibration and reconstruction progress



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JLab PAC Proposal PR12+24-005

- Successful proposal by Bogdan Wojtsekhowski et al.
 - **Positron beam** with multiple beam energies
 - **PRad apparatus** with small beam dump
 - Utilize resonant positron annihilation
 - Detect single gammas
 - Missing mass search:

$$M_{A'}^2 = 2m_e^2 - 2m_e * (E_+ - E_\gamma) - 4E_+ * E_\gamma * \sin^2(\frac{\theta_\gamma}{2})$$

PAC Summary:

"This proposed experiment provides an important search for dark photons that does not rely on specific decay modes of the A', with a reach beyond existing invisible decay limits from NA64, PADME, and Belle-II"





Run Schedule



ALERT Run Group

Proposal	Physics	Exp. Contact	Rating	PAC	Group Days	Equip- ment	Energy	Group Contact	Target
E12-17-012	Partonic structure of light nuclei	Z. Meziani	A-	45					
E12-17-012A	Tagged EMC measurements on light nuclei	R. Dupre		45	55	11	L R. Dupre	High pressure gaseous H, D,	
E12-17-012B	Spectator-tagged DVCS on light nuclei	W. Armstrong		45	CLAS12				
E12-17-012C	Other physics opportunities with ALERT	M. Defurne		45					
E12-23-013	Measuring short-range correlations with ALERT	F. Hauenstein	A	51	17		6.6	F. Hauenstein	·пе



Near-Term Run Schedule FY 2025

SAD or scheduled Run Group	Setup / Status	Target	Beam Energy	Start Date	End Date	Scheduled Calendar Days	Remaining PAC Days Before Run	Scheduled PAC Days = Cal.Days/2	Actual PAC Days from ABUs	Remaining PAC Days After Run
SAD 2024				2024-05-19	2025-01-02	228				
RG-L	ALERT	high pressure gas	11	2025-01-27	2025-05-17	110	55	55		0
	ALERT	high pressure gas	6,6	2025-05-28	2025-07-01	34	17	17		0
SAD 2025					sum:	144	sum	72		

ALERT Detector

- A Low Energy Recoil Tracker (ALERT)
 - Hyperbolic drift chamber
 - Time-of-Flight array
 - Target straw for H_2 , D_2 , and ⁴He

30 cm active length, 6 mm Ø

Measurement	Particles detected	p range	θ range
Nuclear GPDs	$^{4}\mathrm{He}$	230	$\pi/4 < \theta < \pi/2$ rad
Tagged EMC	p, 3 H, 3 He	$70 {<}\ p {<} 250 \ MeV/c$	As close to π as possible
Tagged DVCS	p, 3 H, 3 He	$70 {<} p {<} 250 MeV/c$	As close to π as possible



Conditional Schedule FY 2026

SAD or scheduled Run Group	Setup / Status	Target	Beam Energy	Start Date	End Date	Scheduled Calendar Days	Remaining PAC Days Before Run	Scheduled PAC Days = Cal.Days/2	Actual PAC Days from ABUs	Remaining PAC Days After Run
X17 search	HyCal/GEMs	Ta foil	2,2	2025-11-05	2025-12-20	45	60	22,5		37,5
	winter break	change		2025-12-20	2026-01-12					
X17 search	HyCal/GEMs	Ta foil	4,4	2026-01-12	2026-03-30	77	37,5	39		-1
	reconfigure	change		2026-03-30	2026-04-06	7				
PRad-II	HyCal/GEMs	gas jet	2,2	2026-04-06	2026-04-27	21	40	11		30
	pass change			2026-04-27	2026-05-04	7				
PRad-II	HyCal/GEMs	gas jet	3,6	2026-05-04	2026-06-15	42	30	21		9
	pass change			2026-06-15	2026-06-16	1		1		
PRad-II	HyCal/GEMs	gas jet	0,7	2026-06-16	2026-07-06	20	9	10		-2
SAD 2026							sum:	103		

- The Collaboration need to request support from Hall B where appropriate
- The Collaboration need to request support from external groups where appropriate
- The Collaboration should not be shy to give responsibility and accountability to collaborators or groups not on the initial PRad-II / X17 proposals

I am trying to convey a message here. Thank you.