

The PREFER collaboration/projects

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Polarization Research for Fusion
Experiments and Reactors

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T.P. Rakitzis et al.	IESL-FORTH & University @ Crete

Outlook of the presentation

- *Fusion with polarized fuel.*
- *The PREFER collaboration/projects:*
 - ❖ *DD spin dependent studies (PNPI/FZJ/FE).*
 - ❖ *Production of polarized fuel from pABS, and its handling (FZJ / PNPI/ FE).*
 - ❖ *Filtering of hyperpolarized molecules from MBS (BINP/HHUD).*
 - ❖ *A new method of Laser QB excitation and UV dissociation (IESL/FZJ/HHUD).*
 - ❖ *Laser Induced Plasma: production, acceleration and fusion (PGI- FZJ/HHUD).*
- *References more than conclusions.*

Fusion of Nuclear Polarized Fuel

From the point of view of the nuclear physics, the use of **polarized fuel** seems the viable way in order to fulfill nuclear fusion for energy production thanks to:

- **enhancement** of fusion **cross sections**,
- **control** of angular distribution of **reaction products**,
- possible **neutron lean** reactors.

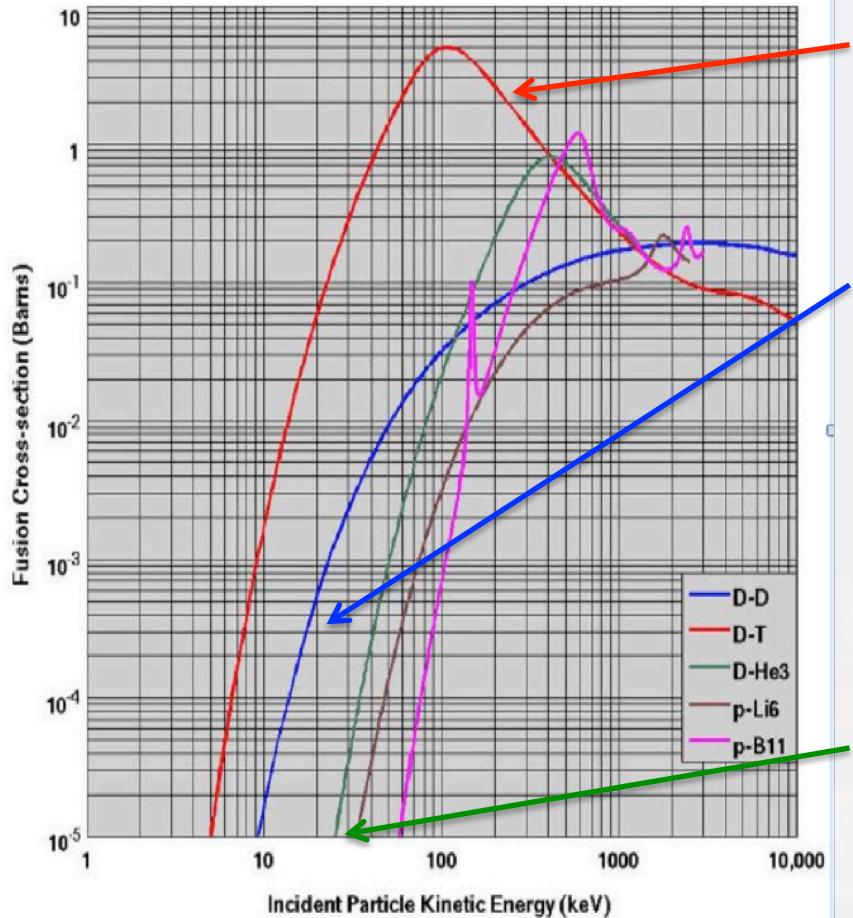
But practical use is still far away, mainly due to still open questions and requirements:

- polarized fuel, high polarization and high density (few orders of magnitude **higher than available** as nuclear polarized targets).
- **Preparation** of fuel for magnetic confinement or inertial confinement.
- **Survival** of polarized fuel in the fusion reactors or in inertial confinement.

It's a **challenging** deal providing **useful polarized fuel** for the purpose of testing in present (... future) **FUSION** environments and **by product gain in “better” targets**.

Nuclear Fusion with Polarized Fuel

Reaction generations sorted according to the relative energy (temperature) required for nuclear fusion.



1. Generation: $D + T \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + n$
 - 1.a) Increase of total cross section!
 - 1.b) differential cross section: angular distrib. $f(\theta)$ therefore better control!!
2. Generation: $D + D \rightarrow T + p$ or ${}^3\text{He} + n$

Fuel available (30 g m^{-3} in ocean water)

 - 2.a) Increase of total cross section ?
 - 2.b) differential cross-section and angular distrib.?

Still missing data for a complete description.

 - 2.c) Possibility to suppress the reaction ${}^3\text{He} + n$ (QSF Quintet Suppression Factor)?
3. Generation: ${}^3\text{He} + D \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + p$
 - 3.a) and 3.b) expected like 1.a) and 1.b)
 - 3.c) Possibility of Neutron lean reactor if $D+D \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + n$ suppressed

Missing data on DD spin dependent reactions.

Missing polarized fuel for fusion tests.

Orbiting projects sorted by labs/inst.s



Outlook of the presentation

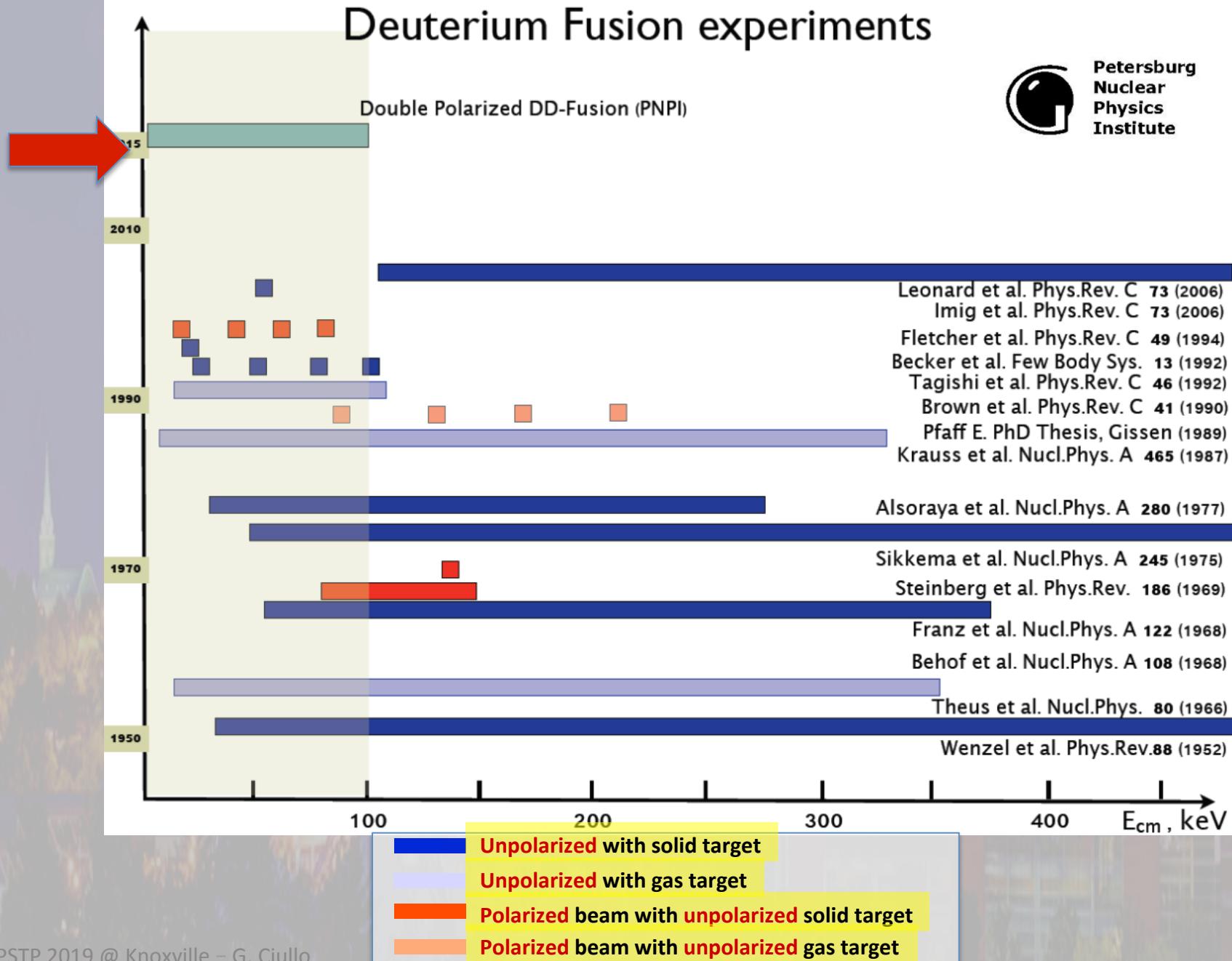
- *General introduction*
- *The CERN collaboration/program*
- ❖ *DD spin dependent studies (PNPI/FZJ/FE).*

DD-double polarized data are missing

Deuterium Fusion experiments



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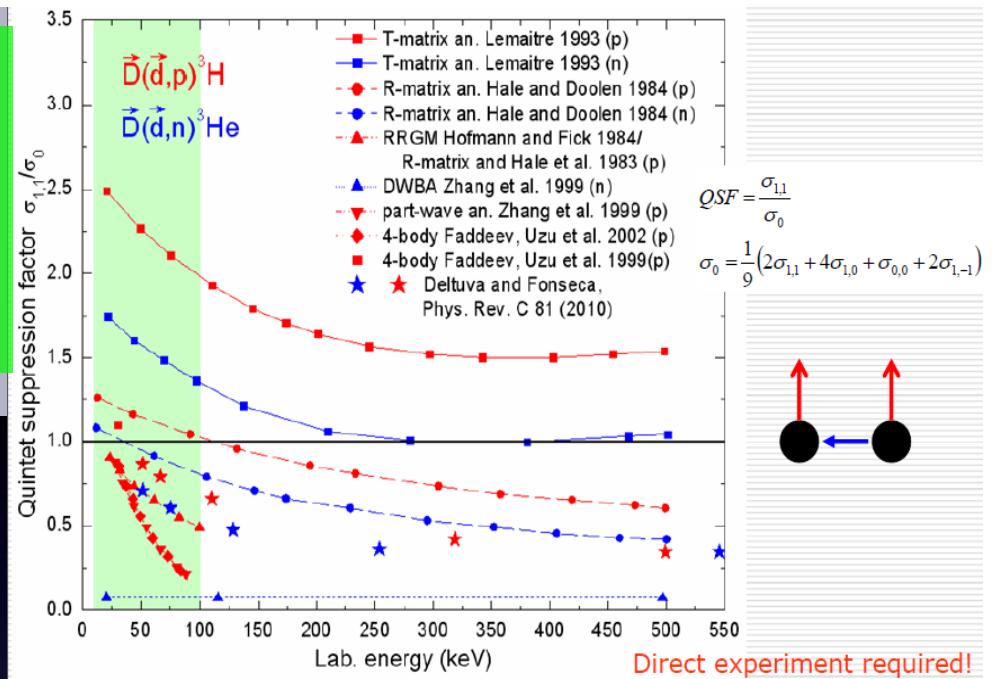


Direct access to basic data for theories & models ...

$^3He^{2+}$ ($^3H^+$)

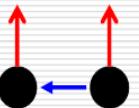


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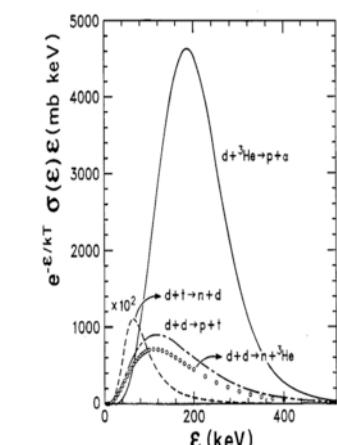


$$QSF = \frac{\sigma_{1,1}}{\sigma_0}$$

$$\sigma_0 = \frac{1}{9} (2\sigma_{1,1} + 4\sigma_{1,0} + \sigma_{0,0} + 2\sigma_{1,-1})$$



d^0 (0.1 keV)



$$\sigma_0 = \frac{1}{9} (2\sigma_{1,1} + 4\sigma_{1,0} + \sigma_{0,0} + 2\sigma_{1,-1})$$

Quintet Triplet Singlet

d^+ (30 – 100 keV)

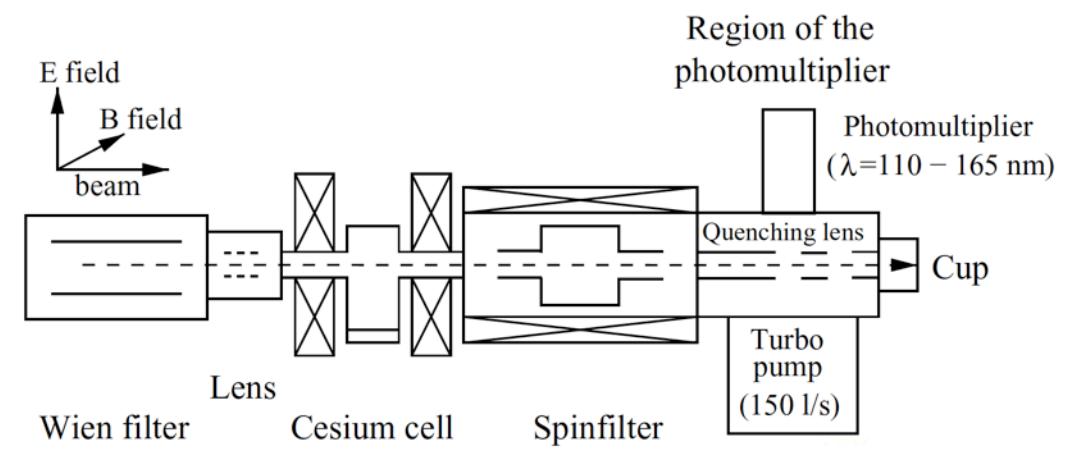
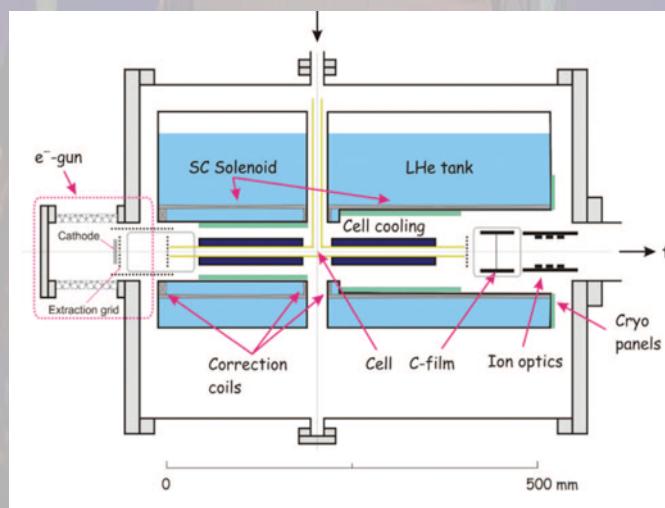
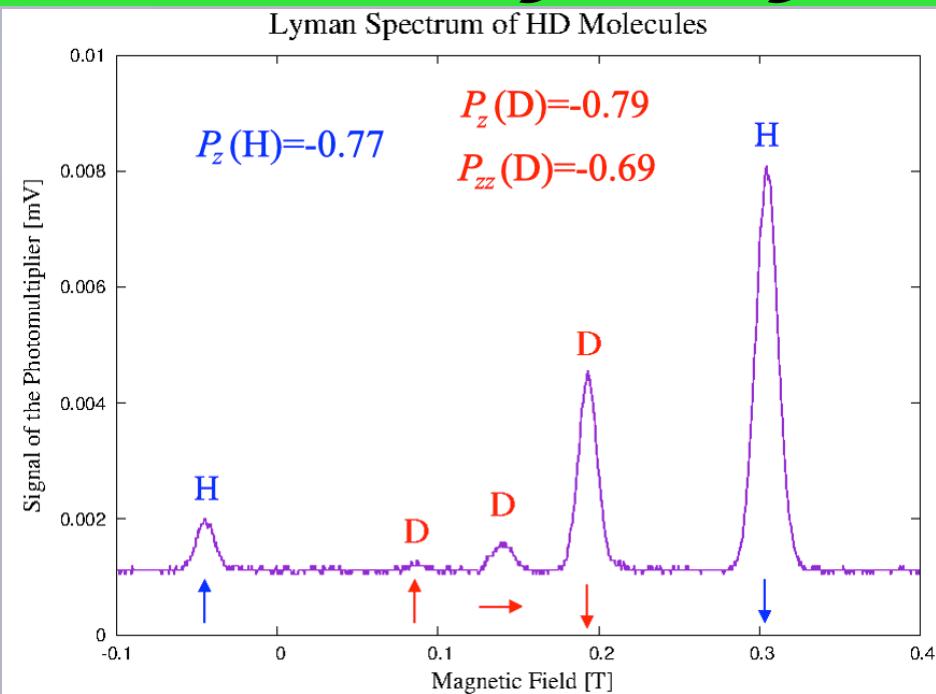
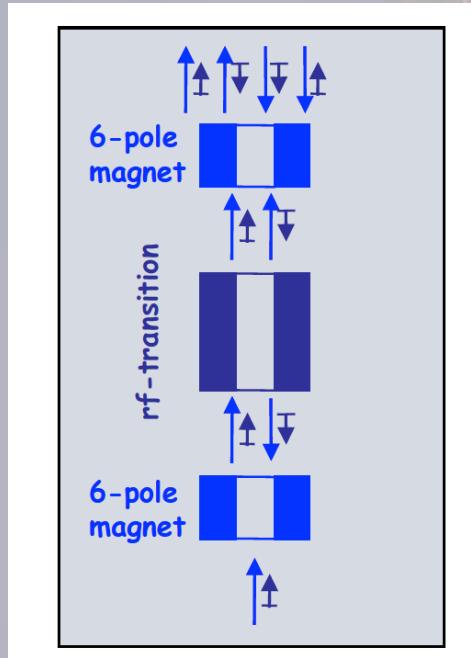
... not only for fusion.

$n(p)$

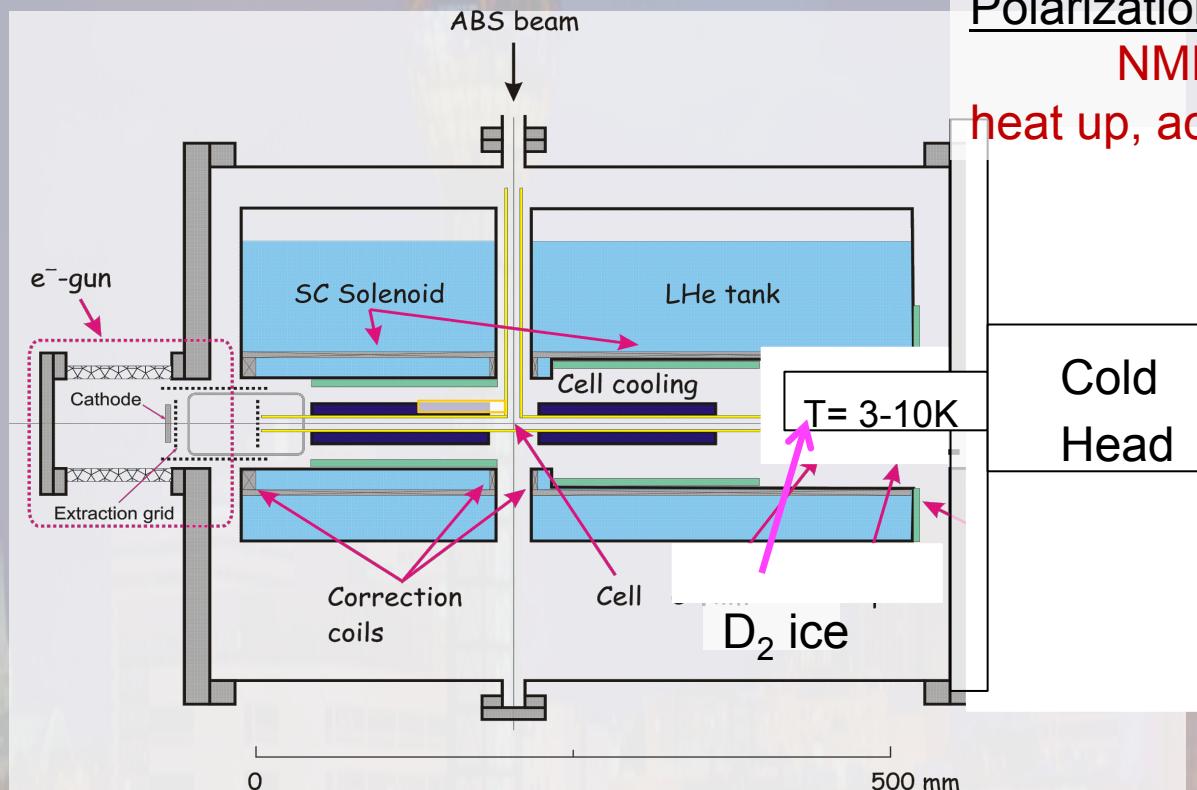
Outlook of the presentation

- ❖ *Development of the fuel value chain*
- ❖ *The PREMIER collaboration/project*
- ❖ *CDR spin-dependent studies (UNHCR/EPFL)*
- ❖ *Production of polarized fuel from pABS, and its handling (FZJ / PNPI/ FE).*

Hyperpolarized molecules from pABS



Condensation & transp. of pol. fuel



Polarization Measurement:

NMR – Sensor?
heat up, accel., measure with LSP?

Production of 1 day
(>10²¹ molecules) is
enough to feed a
Tokamak for seconds !!

We can produce \mathcal{H}_2 , \mathcal{D}_2 , and \mathcal{HD} molecules with a large polarization of $P \sim 0.8$! For \mathcal{HD} any spin combination is possible !

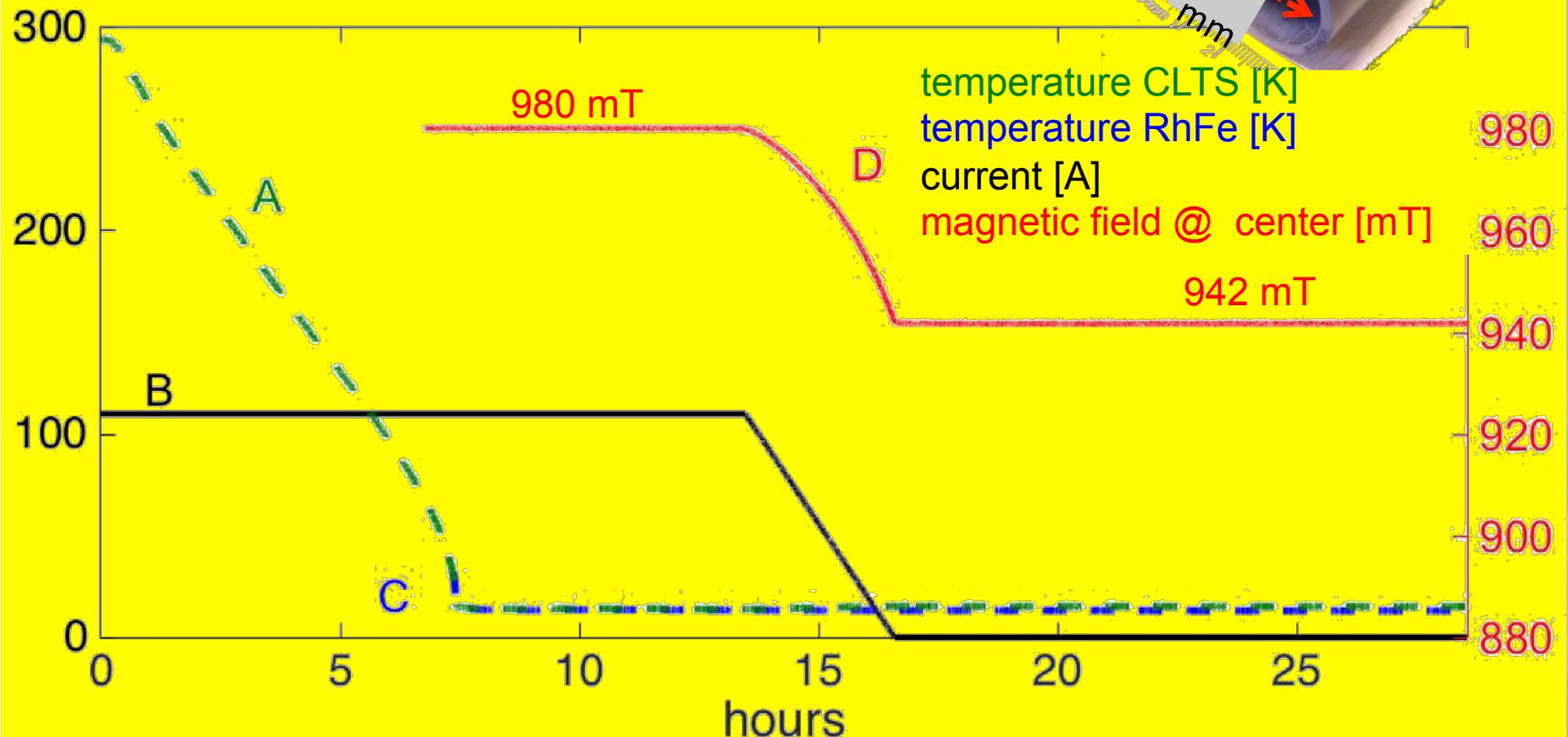
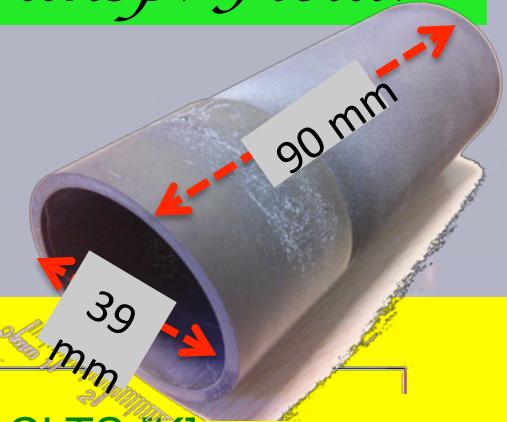
\mathcal{HD} is a perfect training ground for the handling of TD !

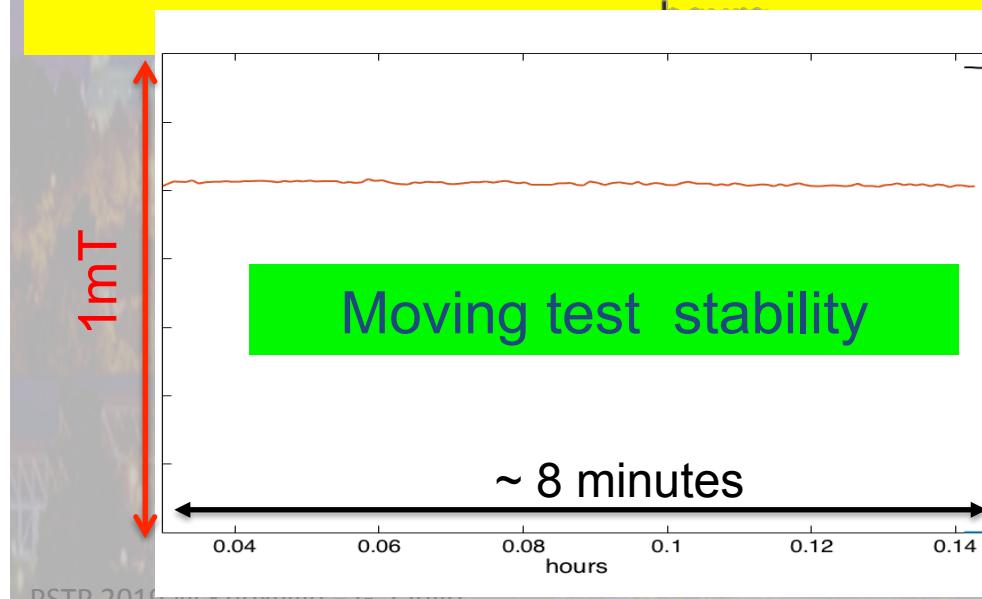
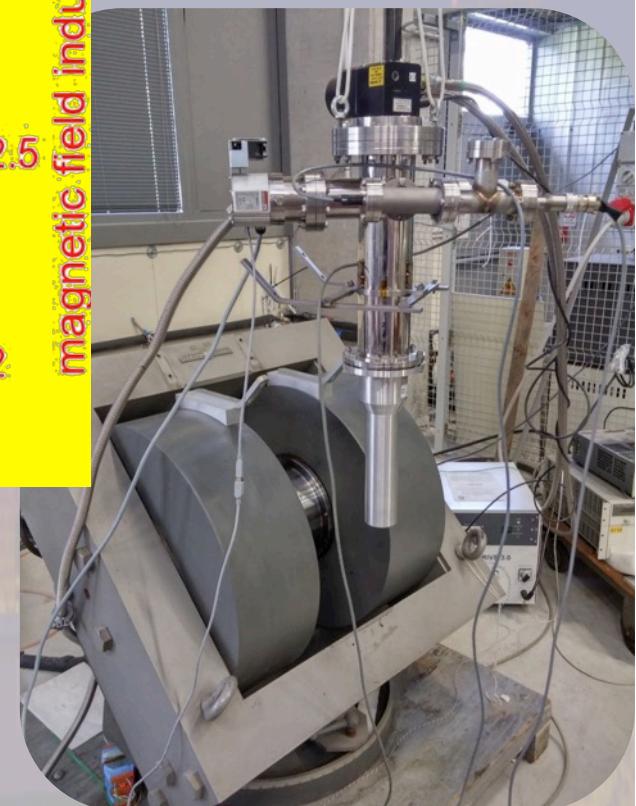
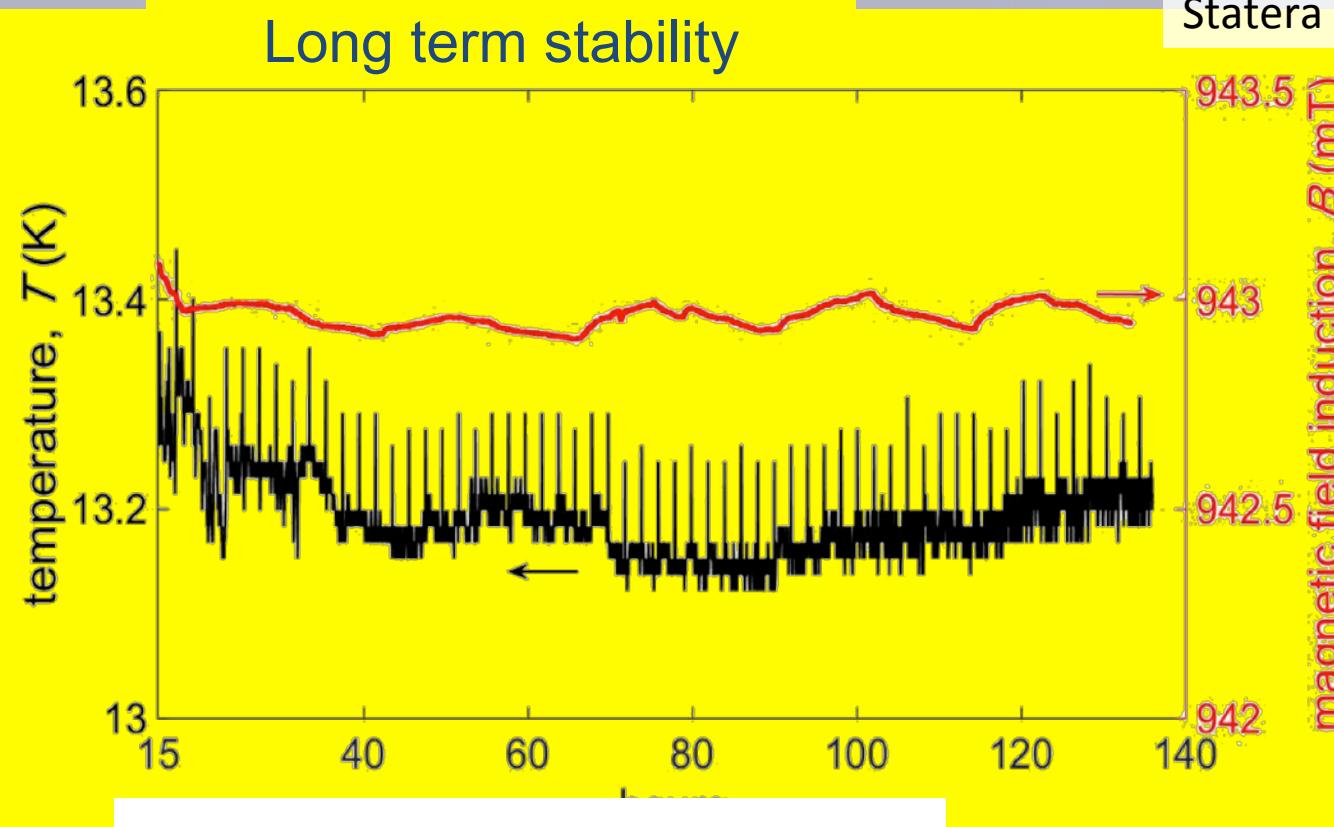
The condenser will be surrounded by a SC MgB₂ cylinder, which allows to provide the holding field during transportation.

SC MgB₂ Magnet: holding and transp. Field.



Field Cooling -> Field Trapping
cool down about 7.5 hours
temperature 13 K
resistive magnet ramp: 0.25 A each 4 s





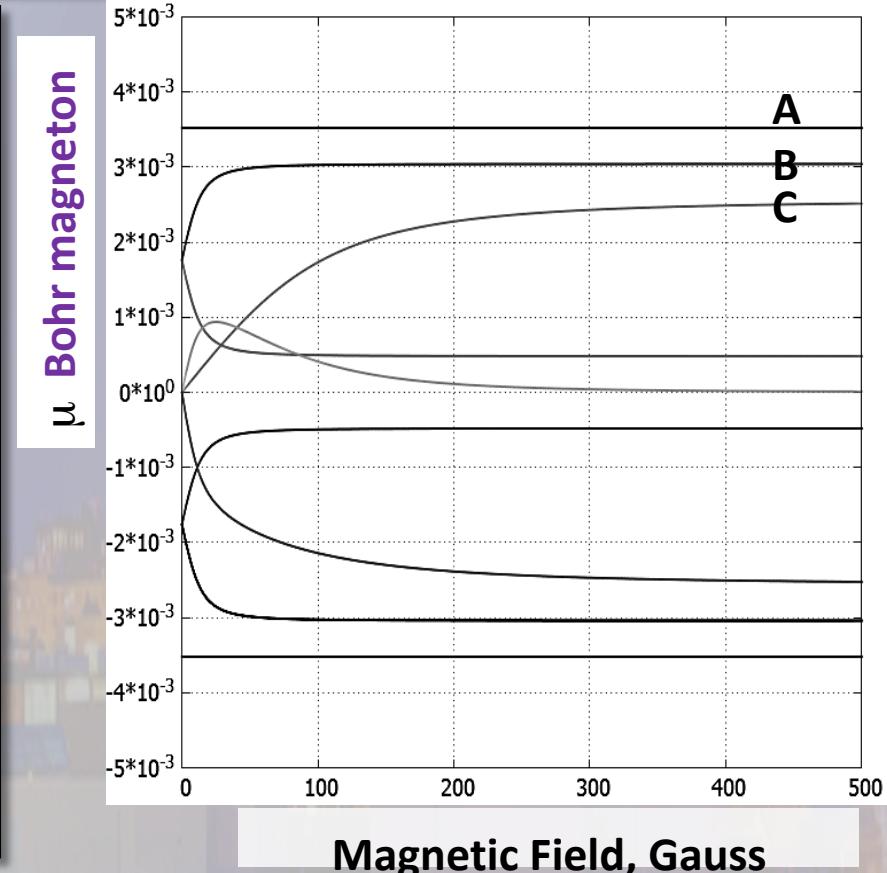
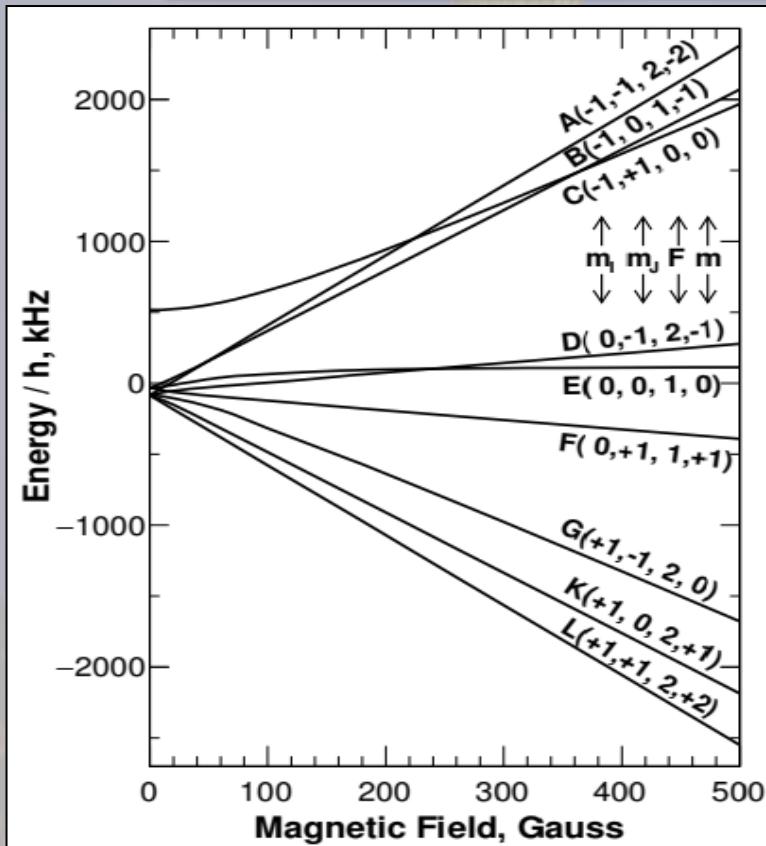
*Tested at temperature
13.6 K
field 565 mT*

Outlook of the presentation

- ❖ *Design of hyperpolarizable molecules.*
- ❖ *The PRELL collaboration/project.*
- ❖ *DD spin-dependent studies (BINP/HHUD).*
- ❖ *Production of polarized fuel from MBS.*
- ❖ *Filtering of hyperpolarized molecules from MBS (BINP/HHUD).*

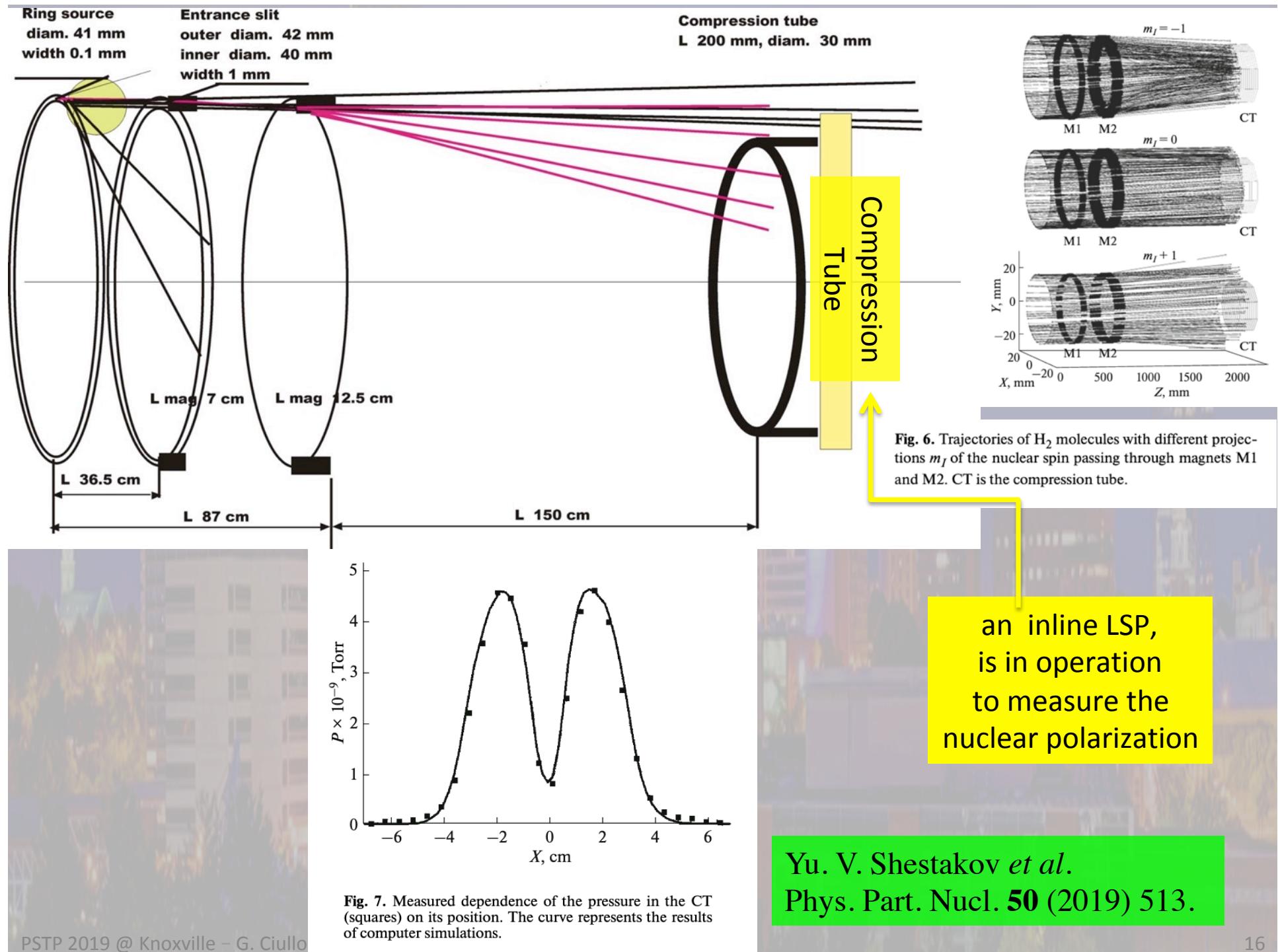
SC ABS → MBS for filtering hyp-pol. mol.

Energies of H_2 states as a function of magnetic field.



Only molecules in the states A, B, C with $m_I=-1$, focused by the field can enter the Compression tube (CT).





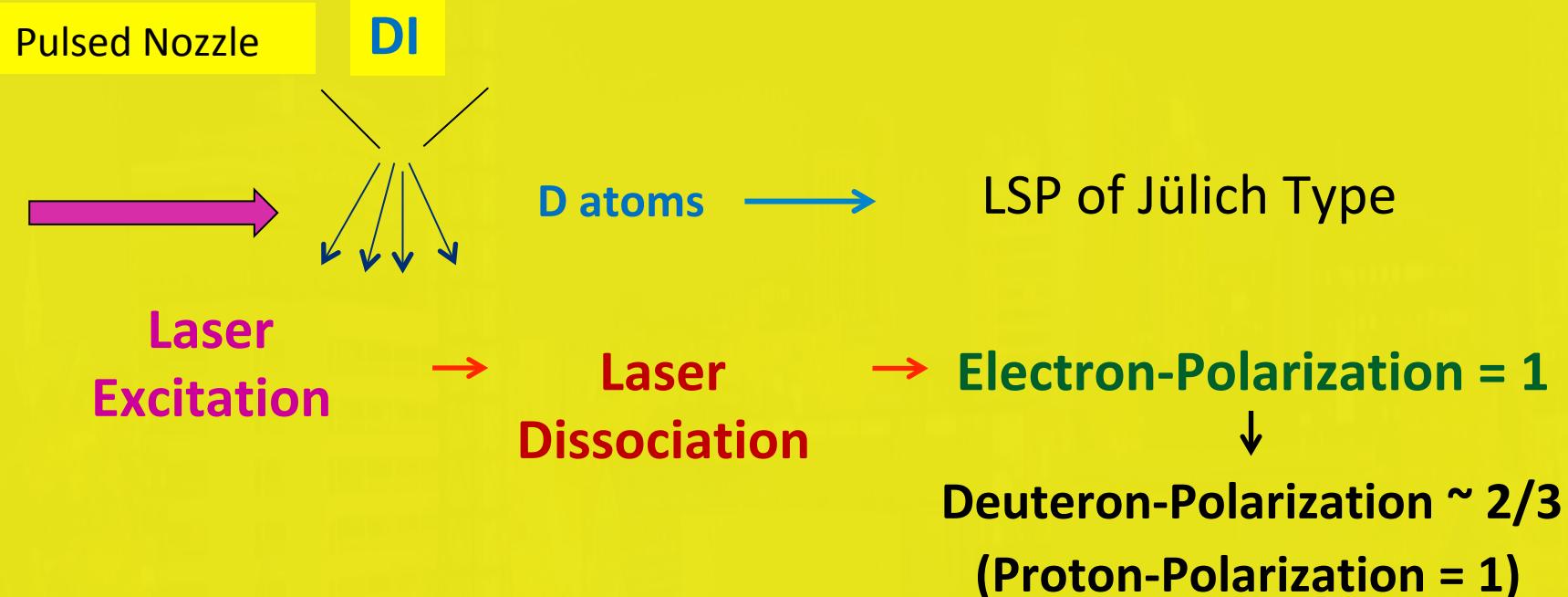
Outlook of the presentation

- ❖ *Experimental results*
- ❖ *The PRELL collaboration/project*
- ❖ *DD spin-dependent studies (UNIPD/INFN)*
- ❖ *Production of polarized nuclei from p-ABS and p- \bar{A} at CERN NA61/SHINE*
- ❖ *A new method of Laser QB excitation and UV dissociation (IESL/FZJ/HHUD).*

Excite QB and dissociate with UV

New idea: „Highly nuclear-spin polarized deuterium atoms from the UV dissociation of Deuterium Iodide“

Sofikitis et al.; Phys. Rev. Lett. **118** (2017) 233401.



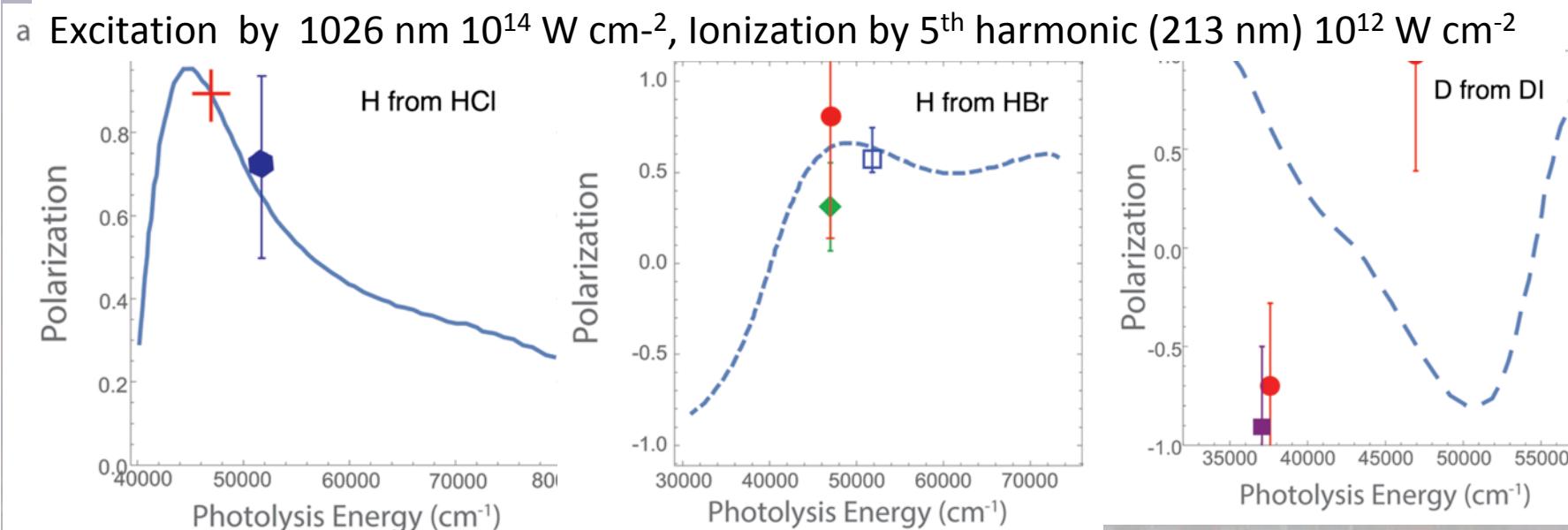
Proof-of-principle experiment under study
(Uni. of Crete/FORTH, IKP/PGI in FZJ/HHUD).

Comparison: ABS and UVD

Comparison of spin polarized hydrogen obtained from atomic beam source (the most intense) and UV dissociation

	BNL ABS	UV dissociation (Crete)
Density of SPH (cm^{-3})	10^{12}	10^{19}
Intensity (s^{-1})	10^{16} (continuous)	10^{22} (pulsed)
Polarization	0.92	0.42 (0.90 attainable)

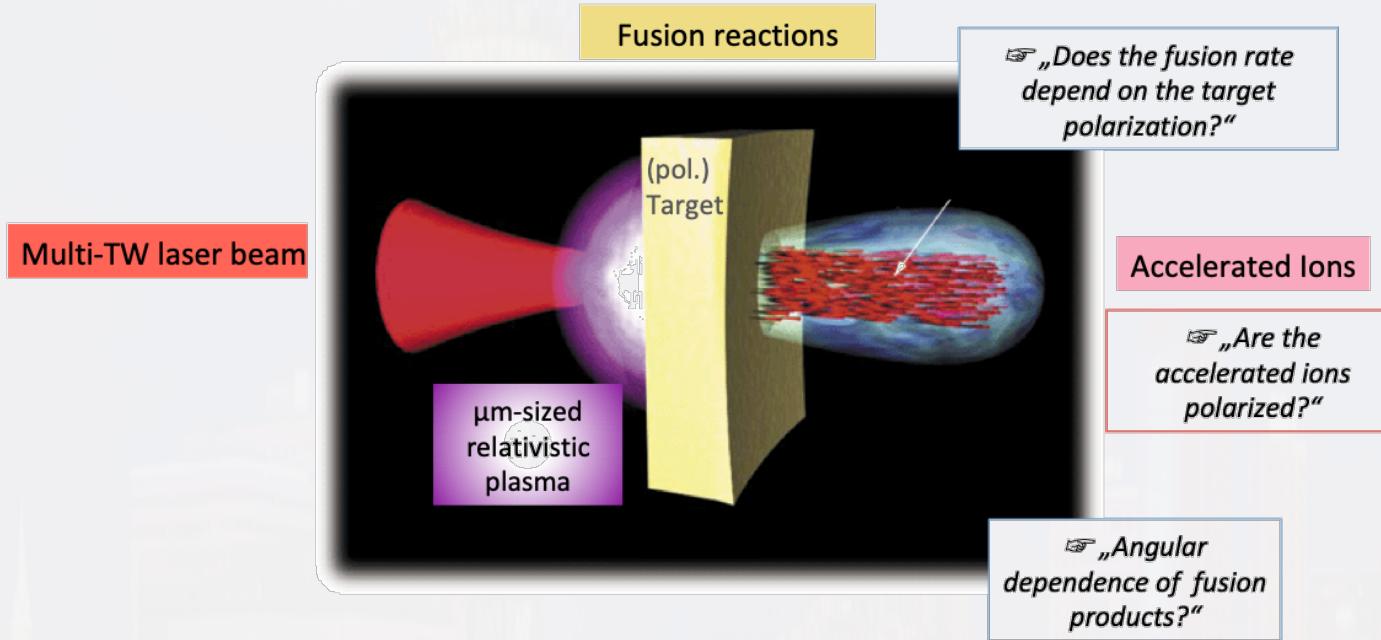
The intensity is correlated to the number of impinging photons, one photon -one proton the for laser source of 10^{22} photons! s^{-1} .



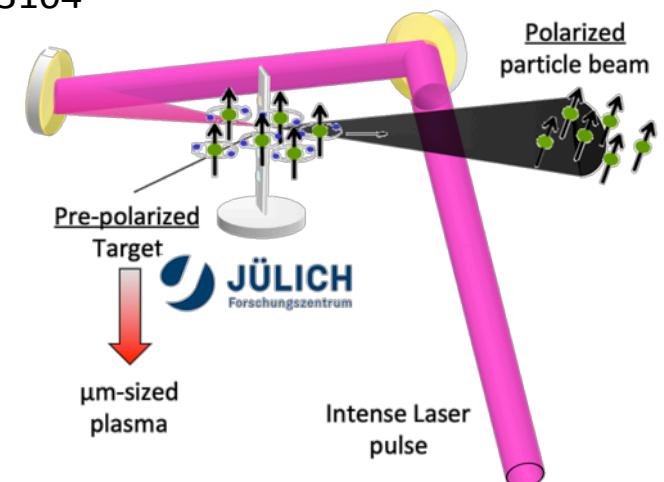
Outlook of the presentation

- ❖ *Development of the fuel*
- ❖ *The PREMIER collaboration project*
- ❖ *DD synthesis studies (UNH/FRJ/UTB)*
- ❖ *Production of polarized fuel from ABS and DIB*
- ❖ *Laser induced plasma*
- ❖ *PGI- FZJ/HHUD*

LIP production, diagnosis and fusion test



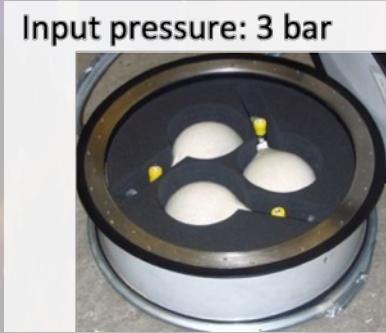
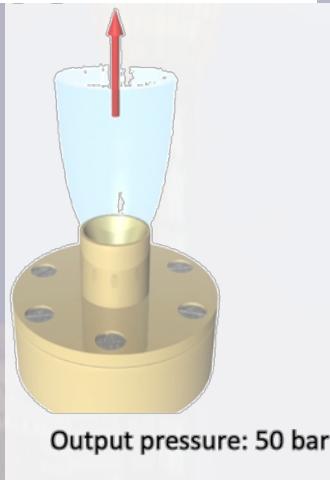
Polarimetry available: N. Rab et al. Physics of Plasma **21** (2014) 023104



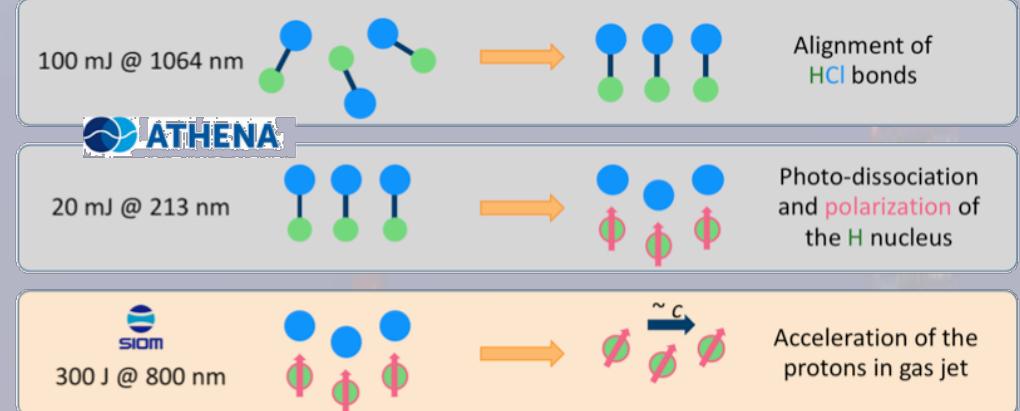
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Polarized beams from LIP

Polarized He beams
From compresse polarized ^3He



polarized proton beams
From LIP



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doi:10.1017/hpl.2018.73

Polarized proton beams from laser-induced plasmas

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A. Hützen et al. High Power Las. Sci. Eng. 7 (2019) E16.

Laser-induced Acceleration of $^{4,3}\text{He}$ Ions for a spin-polarized Ion Source

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in preparation.

Deuterium Polarized Molecules
From MBS
or
From recombined molecules
from ABS: HD too.

Outlook of the presentation

- *Research results*
- The PRELL collaboration/project
 - DD synthesis studies (UNIPD/ENI/IRIS)
 - Production of polymer fuel from ABS and PA66 (UNIPD/ENI/IRIS)
 - Production of PET (UNIPD/ENI/IRIS)
 - Production of polyesters (UNIPD/ENI/IRIS)
 - Production of polyesters (UNIPD/ENI/IRIS)
- *References more than conclusions.*



10:30 Ralf Engels

"Advantages of nuclear fusion with polarized fuel"

11:00 Markus Buesher

"Nuclear polarization in Laser-induced plasmas"

12:00 Giuseppe Ciullo

"A movable magnetic holding field for HD-ice targets,
easily implementable for hyper-polarized molecular
targets for fusion research"

12:30 Polina Kravchenko

"Experimental studies of nuclear fusion reactions at
PNPI"

14:00 Ivan Solov'ev

"Improvement and optimization of the Atomic Beam
Source as part of the Polarized Ion Source in the
experiment PolFusion"

14:30 Guillaume Hupin

"Ab Initio Description of Thermonuclear Fusion
Reactions"

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10:30 Dmitriy Toporkov

"Test of Lamb Shift polarimeter for molecular source"

11:00 Erhard Steffens

"Design considerations of a polarized gas target for the
LHC"

12:00 Kannis Chrysovalantis

"High-density spin-polarized H and D atoms for studies
of polarized laser-fusion"

12:30 Kirill Grigoryev

"Production and storage of polarized H₂, D₂ and HD
molecules"

14:00 Feodor Karpeshin

"Preparation of polarized targets through radiationless
excitation of the nuclei by negative muons"

14:30 Valery Tyukin

"Status of the polarized atomic hydrogen target at
MAMI & MESA"



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Advantages of Nuclear Fusion with Polarized Fuel		
15:00	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	Dr Ralf Engels
THE STATUS OF THE DOUBLE POLARIZED DD-FUSION EXPERIMENT		
	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	Dr Polina Kravchenko
Status of polarized molecular source		
	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	Prof. Dmitriy Toporkov
End of Session		
16:00	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	15:30 - 15:45
Optical excitation of molecules for Spin-Polarized Nuclear Fusion		
	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	Prof. T. Peter Rakitzis
17:00	Nuclear Polarization in Laser-induced Relativistic Plasmas	
	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	16:40 - 17:05
	Progress toward spin-polarized fusion: Performance of laser-polarized He-3 during permeation into tokamak pellets	
18:00	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	Mr Sina Tafti
	General relativity experiment with frozen spin rings	
	A11, Polo degli Adelardi - Via Adelardi, 33	Andras Laszlo
		17:55 - 18:20

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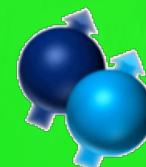
*Detailed references
(fusion people involved).*

Proceedings of the 1st and 2nd
Workshops held respectively
in Trento (2013)
and in Ferrara (2015)

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... in conclusion

WE



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Integral and differentiaal cross-section for spin 1 and 1/2 (angular distribution of reaction products)

In purely S-wave approx $f=1$, B along z , (θ) respect to B (z)

$$\frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} P_z^D A_{zz} + \frac{3}{2} P_z^D P_z^T C_{zz} \right) \frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega}_{unpol}$$

- A_{zz} tensor analysing power $A_{zz} = -[3(\cos^2(\theta) - 1)/2]$
- C_{zz} spin correlation coefficient $C_{zz} = -3[\cos^2(\theta) - 2]/2$

In the $d t$ reaction with d and t polarized parallel to B

$$\sigma_{tot} = 1.5\sigma_{unpol}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega} = \frac{9}{4} \sin^2 \theta \frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega}_{unpol}$$

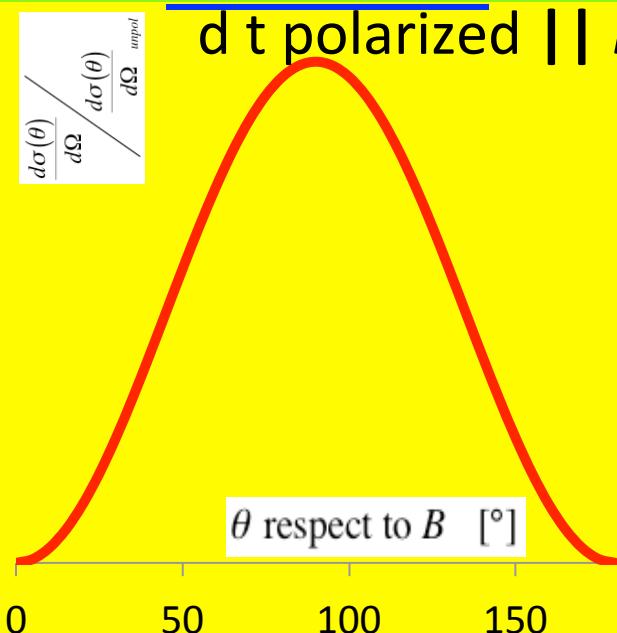
In the case of only d polarized perpendicular to B

$$\sigma_{tot} = \sigma_{unpol}$$

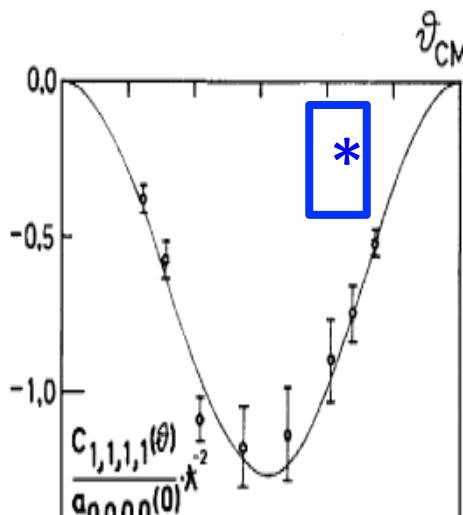
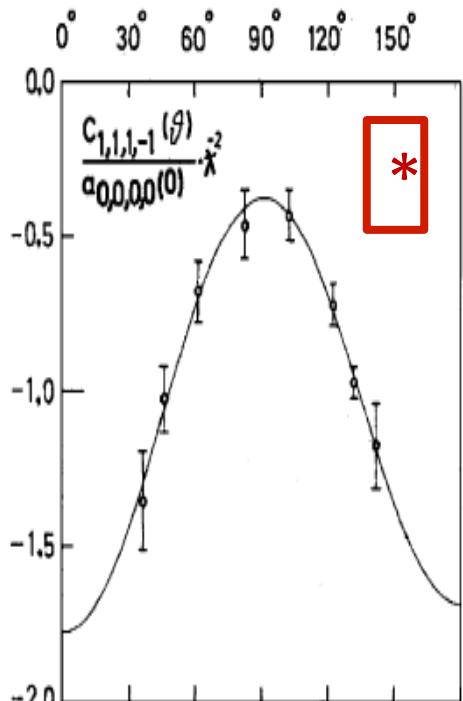
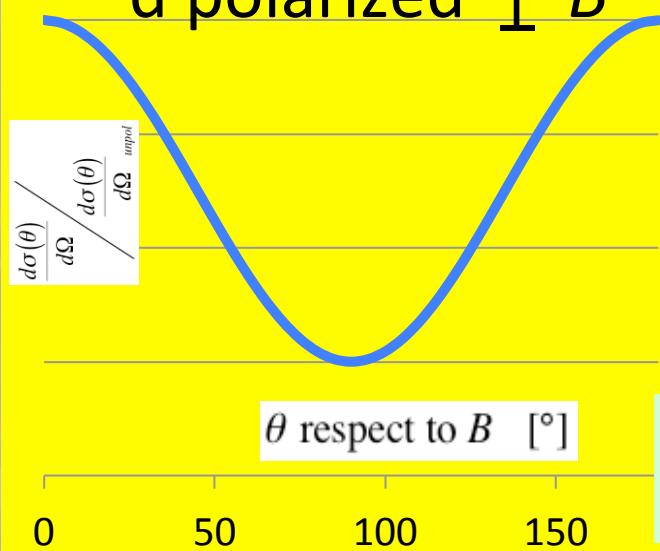
$$\frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + 3\cos^3 \theta) \frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega}_{unpol}$$

Calculation

d t polarized $\parallel B$



d polarized $\perp B$



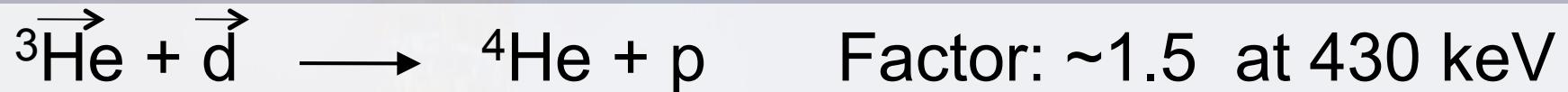
Experiments

- D and T spin \parallel to the confinement field:
 α and n emitted as $\sin^2 \theta$ respect to B

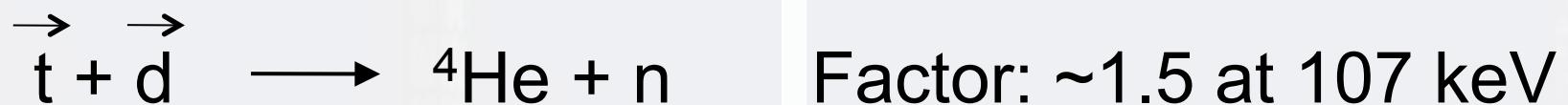
* D spin \perp to the confinement field and T unpolarized: no influence on cross section, but the reaction products follow $(1+3\cos^2 \theta)$.

Confirmed on mirror reaction ${}^3\text{He}(d,p){}^4\text{He}$
[Ch. Leeman et al Helv. Phys. Acta **44** (1971) 141]

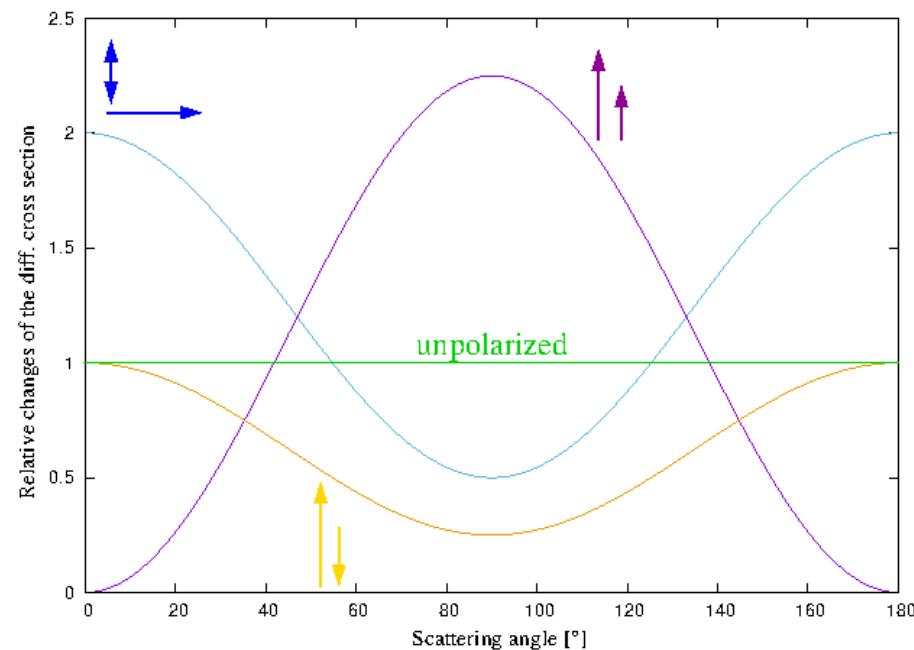
For spin 1/2 & 1 proved experimentally



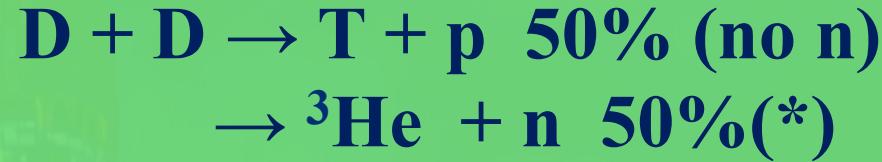
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J = 3/2⁺ / s-wave dominated (> 96%)



2nd



Fusing D + D, then D + T can fuses (n)
 3He does not contribute at the ignition energy of D-D

The total cross section D + D in respect to the incoming polarization of the fusing particles:

$$\sigma_{tot} = \frac{1}{9} (2 \underbrace{\sigma_{1,1}}_{\text{Quintet}} + 4 \underbrace{\sigma_{1,0}}_{\text{Triplet}} + \underbrace{\sigma_{0,0}}_{\text{Singlet}} + 2 \underbrace{\sigma_{1,-1}}_{\text{Singlet}})$$

Higher energy for fusion involves also P-, D-wave,
together with S-wave and their interferences

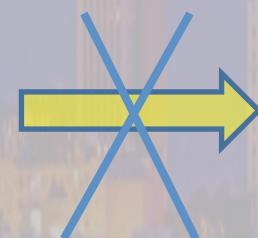
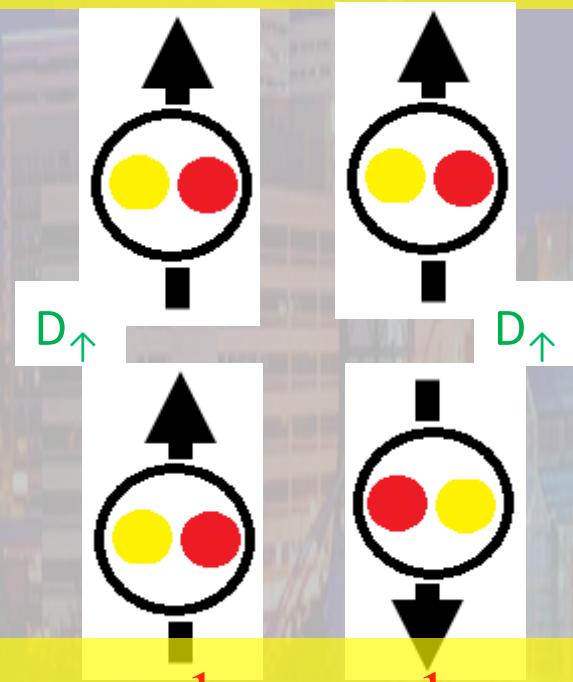
$D_{\uparrow} + D_{\uparrow}$ spin dependent cross section (data set very poor), and still worse at lower energy (e⁻ screening ?)

Neutron lean fusion: QSF (Quintet Suppression Factor)

Spin alignments allows to enhance or suppress reaction channels?
Ad'yasevich 2.5 -3 (? Cited by Russian)

D_{\uparrow} ($d_{\uparrow} p$) T and D_{\uparrow} ($d_{\uparrow} n$) ${}^3\text{He}$ suppressed
by choosing deuteron spin parallel each others

S 1 1 0 ${}^5\text{S}_2$ Quintet State Suppressed

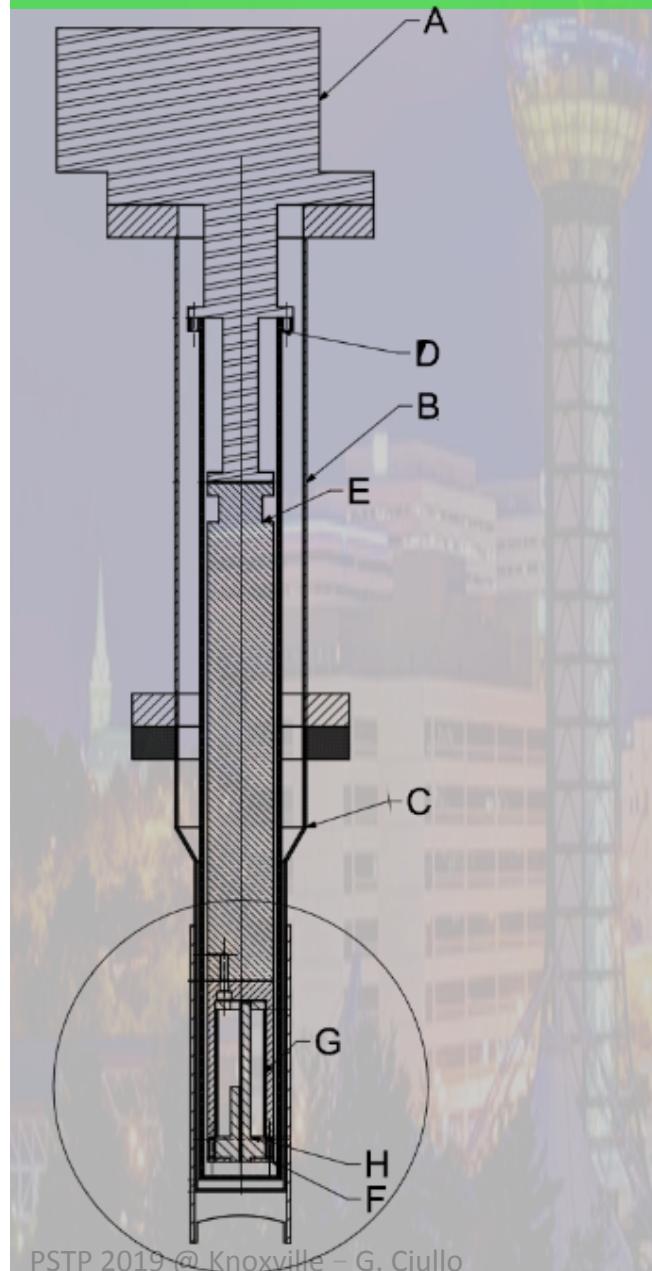


${}^4\text{He}^*$

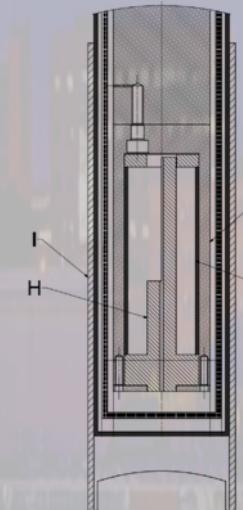
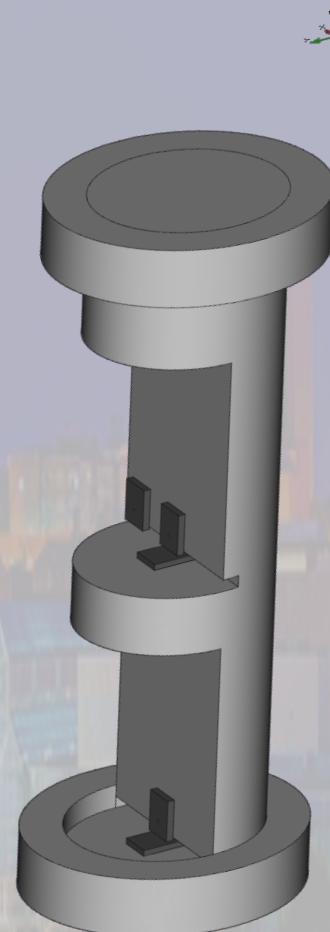
$$\frac{\sigma_{pol}}{\sigma_{unpol}} = \frac{\sigma_{singlet}}{3/9\sigma_{singlet}} = 3$$

0 ${}^1\text{S}_0$ Singlet state allowed

Upgrading MgB_2 magnet measurements



Mapping the field in the Cylinder,
tranversely and longitudinally.



Expected energy of the beam from LIP



10 TW

Electrons



100 TW

Protons (MeV)



1 PW

Protons, ions (10 MeV)



10 PW

Protons (GeV)

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