

# Electron Polarimetry at MIT Bates

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## Outline:

Polarized Source

Moller Polarimeter

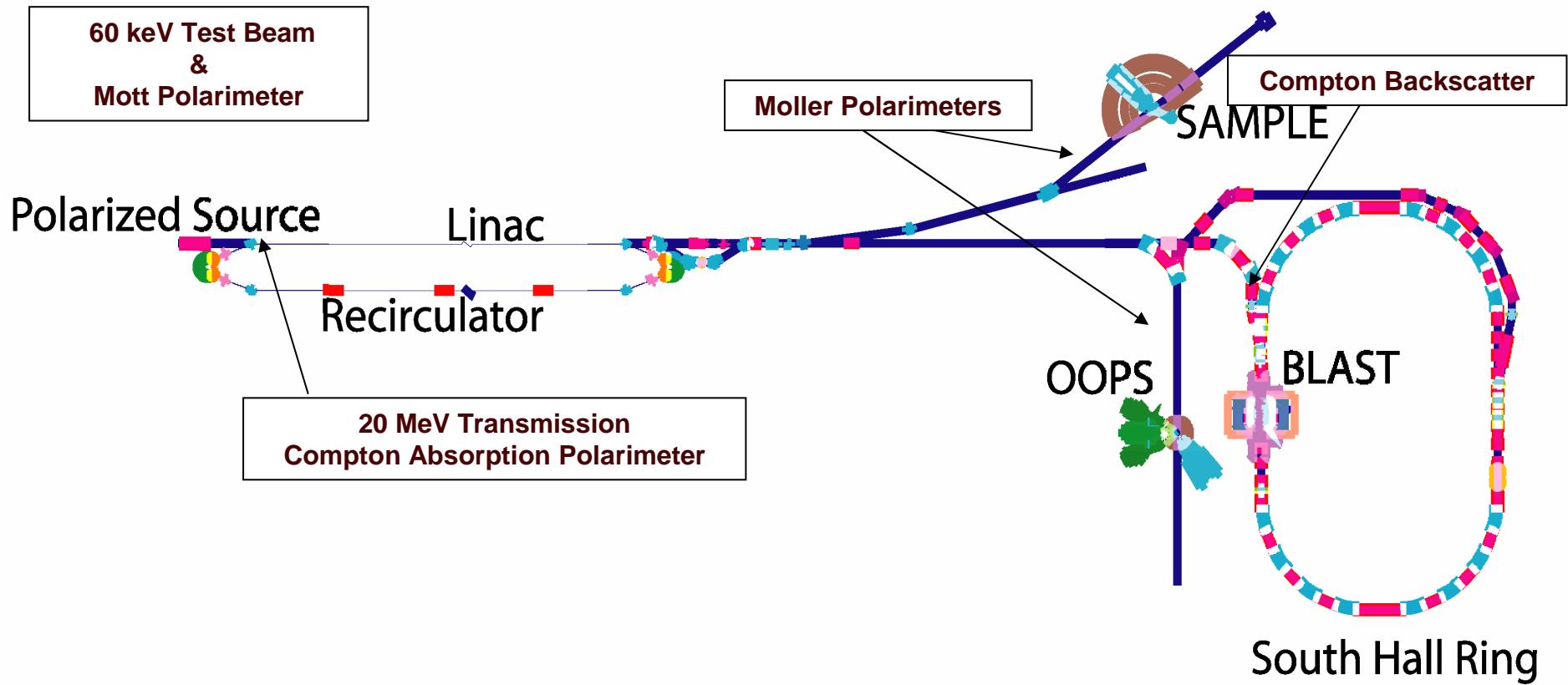
Mott Polarimeter

Compton Absorption (Transmission) Polarimeter

Laser Backscattering Compton Polarimeter

Calibration of a 5 MeV Transmission Polarimeter

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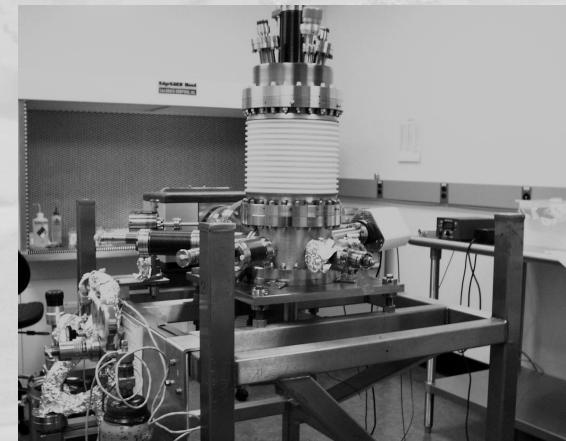
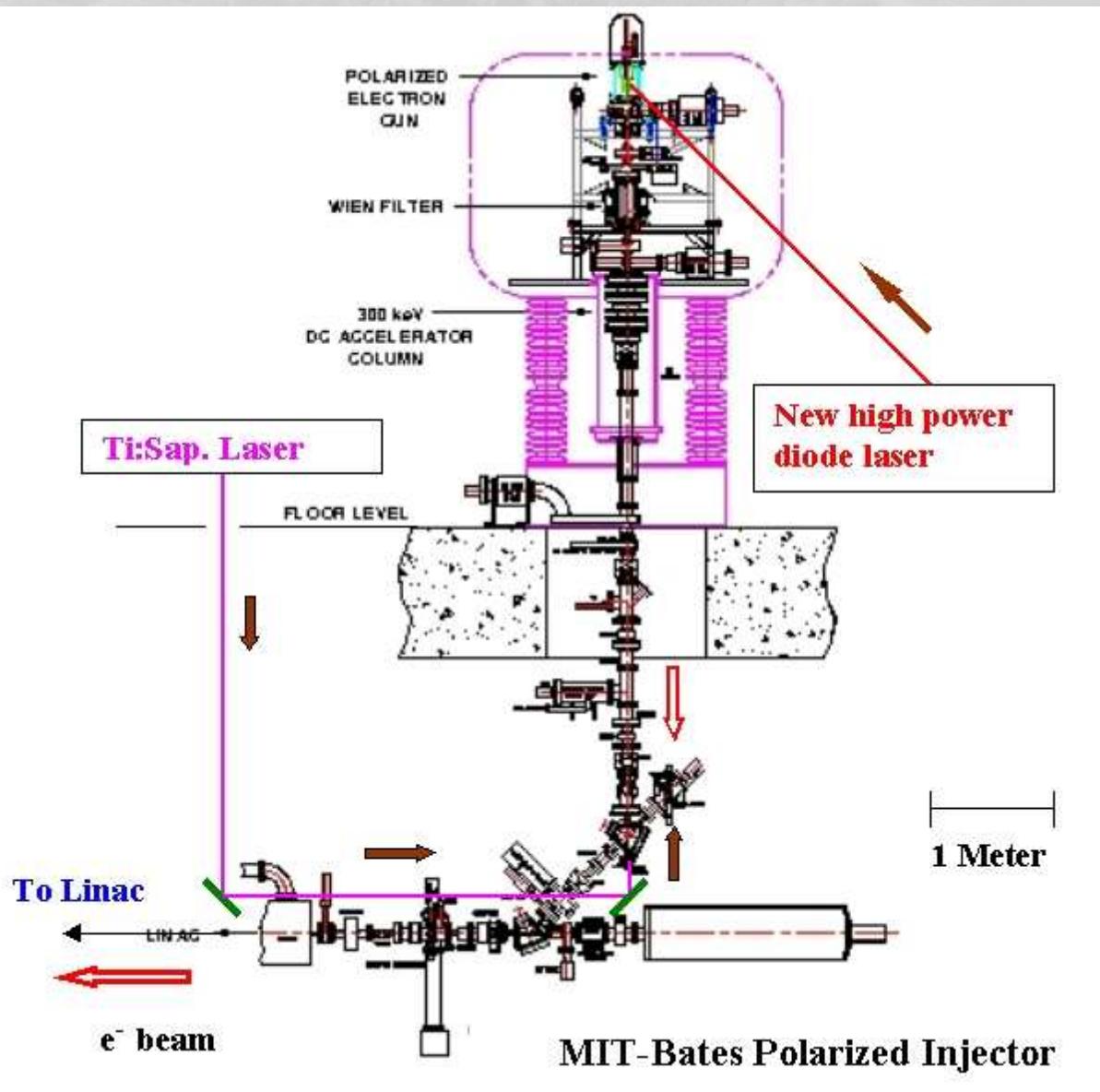
# Accurate Polarimetry

## Accurate Polarimetry Benefits From:

- 1) Stable Calibrated Sources
- 2) Multiple Polarimeters operating Simultaneously
- 3) Simple Instruments
- 4) “Controlled” Systematics

# MIT Bates Polarized Source

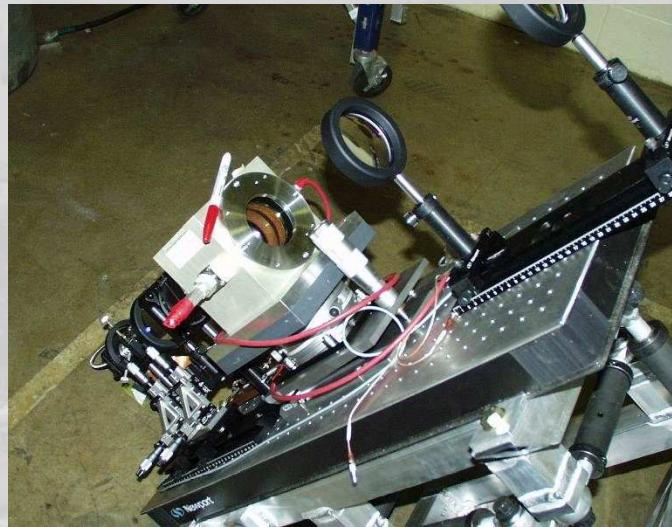
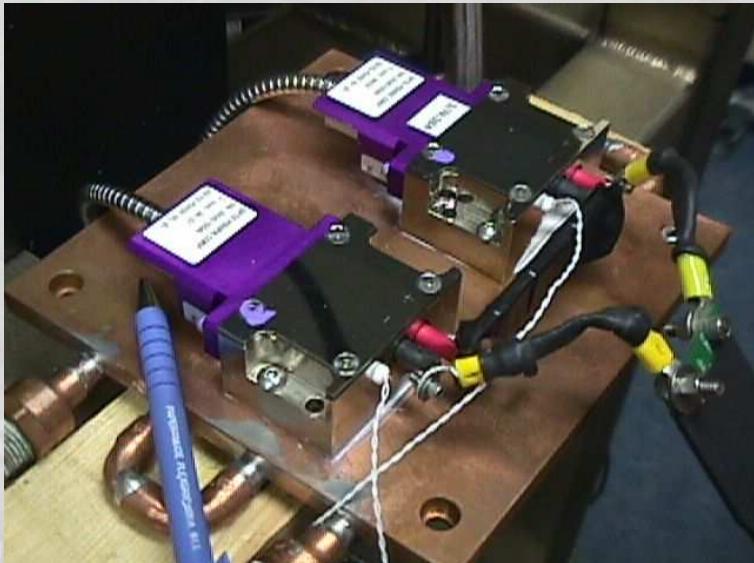
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## Stan Kowalski

- Three identical guns:
  - Injector
  - Backup
  - Test Setup
- 4 days to interchange.

# High Power Diode Laser Provides a Very Stable Beam



## Fiber-coupled diode array lasers

- Wavelength:  **$808 \pm 3 \text{ nm}$  (fixed)**
- Emittance: **200 mm.mr (short working distance)**
- Power: **150 W @ 1% DF, 60 W CW**
- Stability: **Better than Ti:Sapphire laser by > 10**
- Need large diameter optics ( 75 diameter HPC),

# Moller Polarimeters

**Two Fixed Target Moller Polarimeters 100-1000 MeV**

**Dipole Dipole Single Arm(SAMPLE)**

**Quadrupole (FPP, OOPS)**

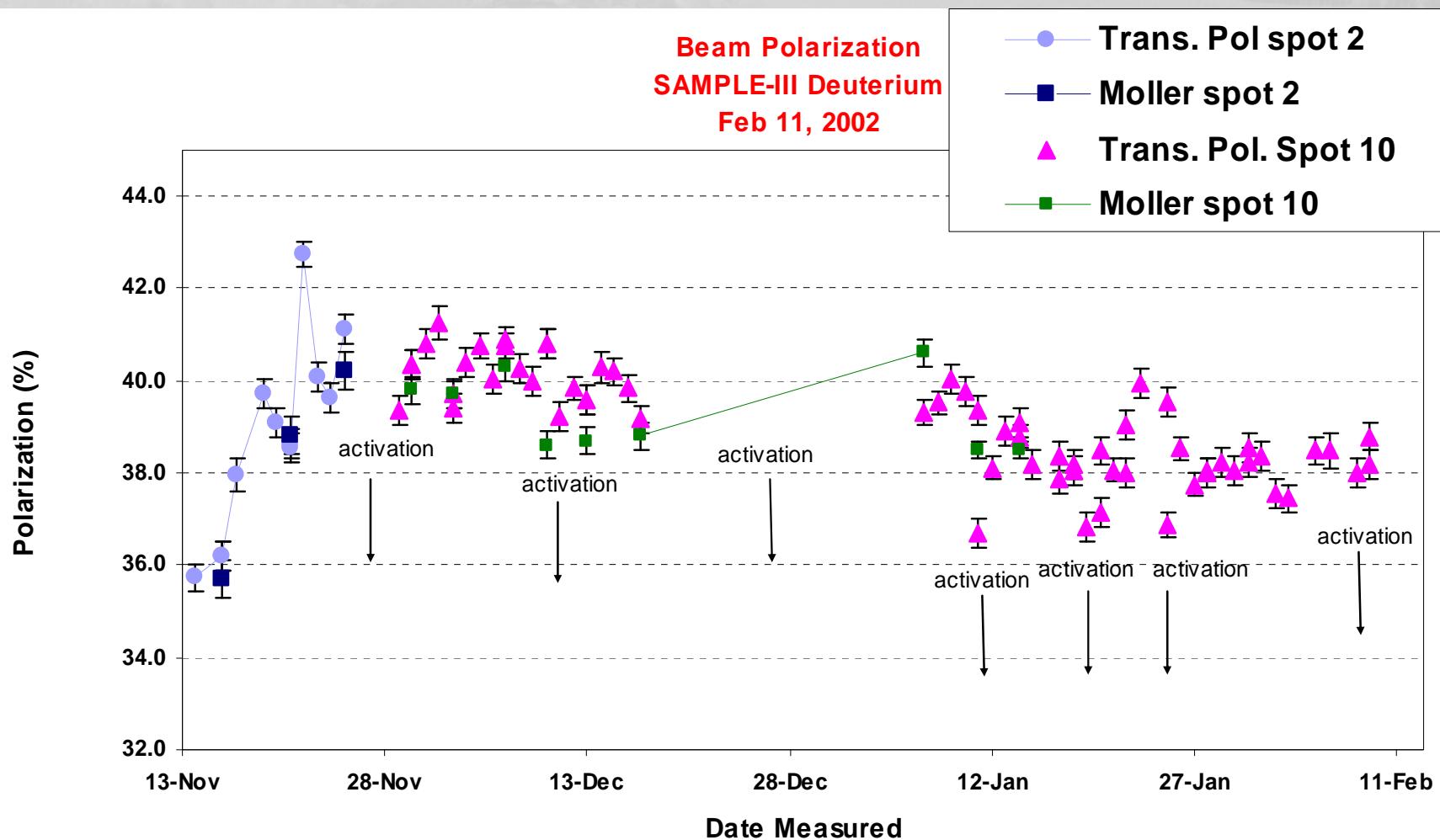
**Reliable, Stable**

**4 uA Beam Current**

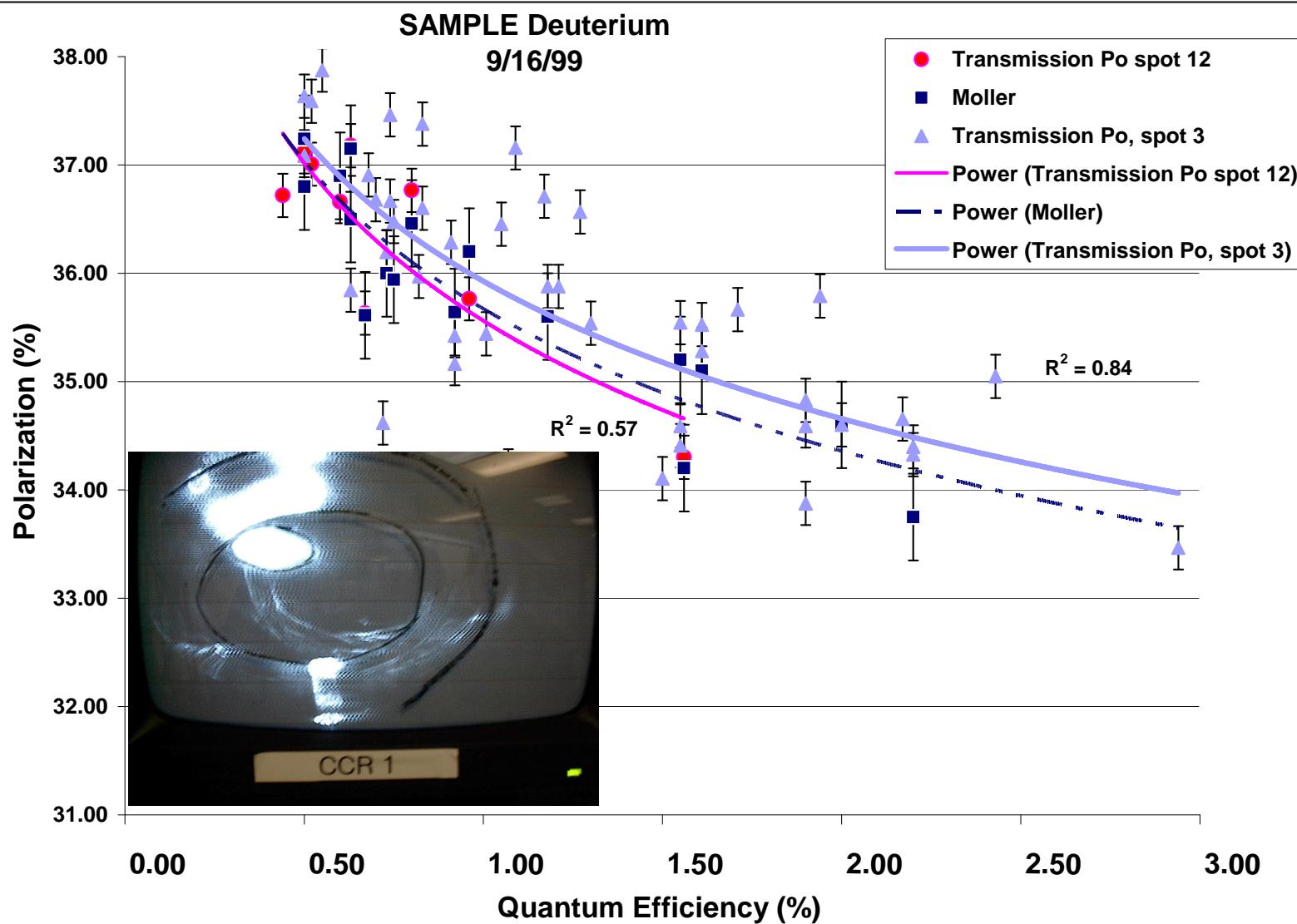
**Systematic Errors Dominated by Foil Polarization**

$$\Delta P_e/P_e = 3\%$$

**Not Sensitive to Levchuk Effect due to relatively  
“poor” resolution in  $e'$ .**



# Polarization Depends on QE & Spot Location



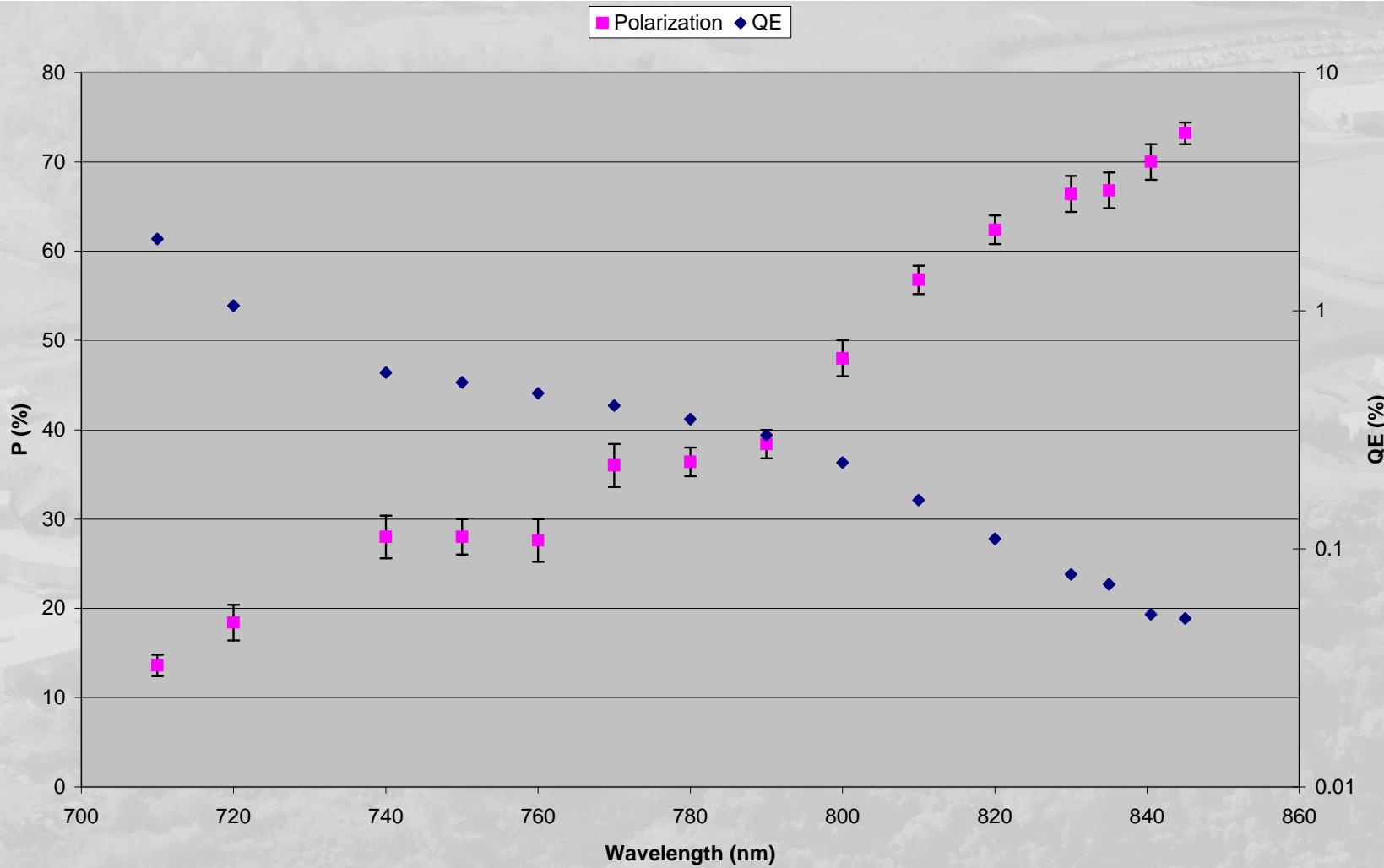
# 60 keV Beamline & Mott Polarimeter

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1. Independent of main accelerator
2. Qualifies all guns before installation on accelerator
3. Allows R&D on:
  - High P Cathodes
  - Laser Systems
  - Precision Polarimetry

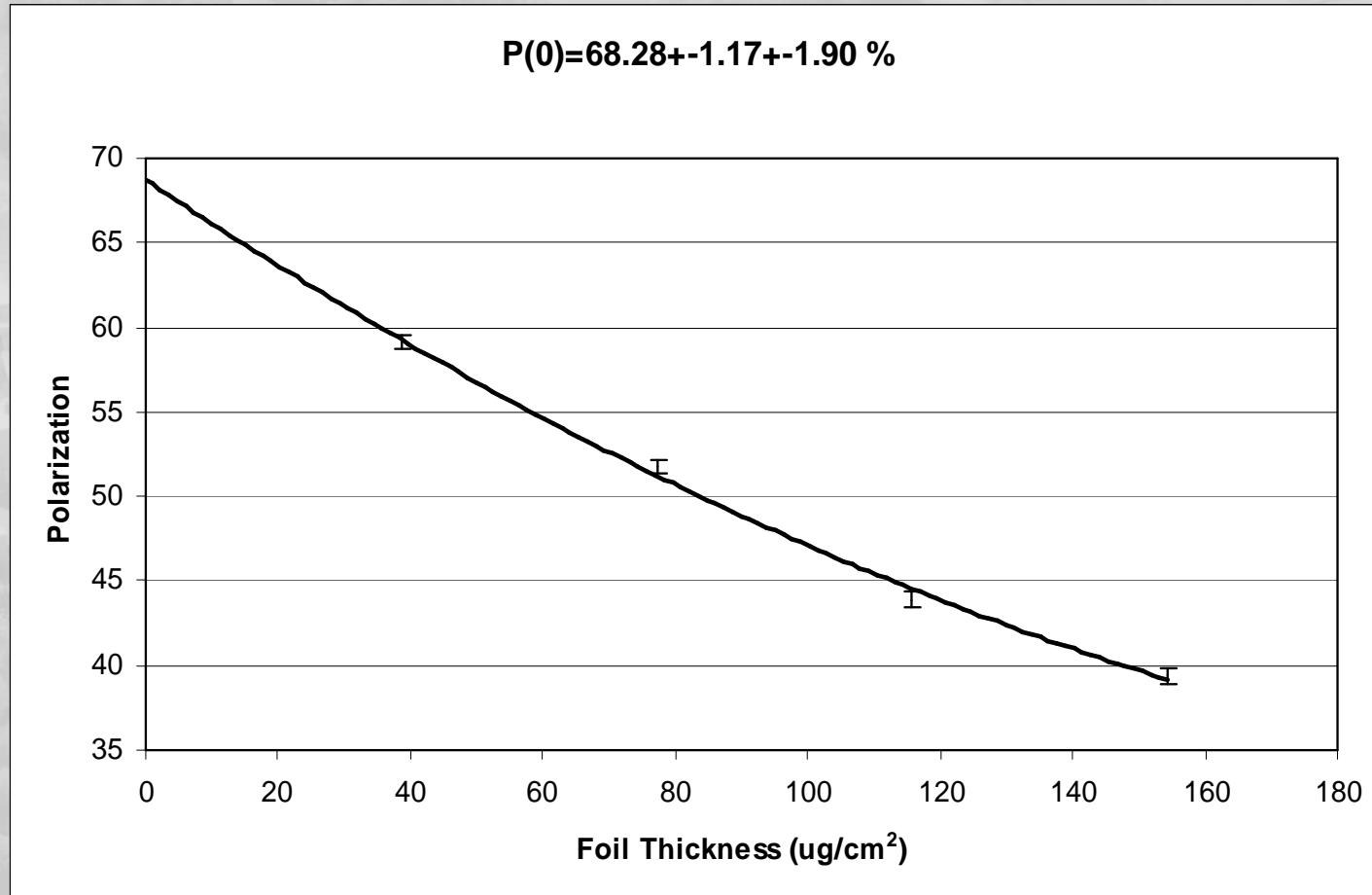
# Polarization is Wavelength Dependent



Temperature Coefficient: 0.5 nm/ $^{\circ}$ C  
Indium Layer Applied Between Photocathode and Holder

# Mott Polarimeter Extrapolation to Zero Foil Thickness

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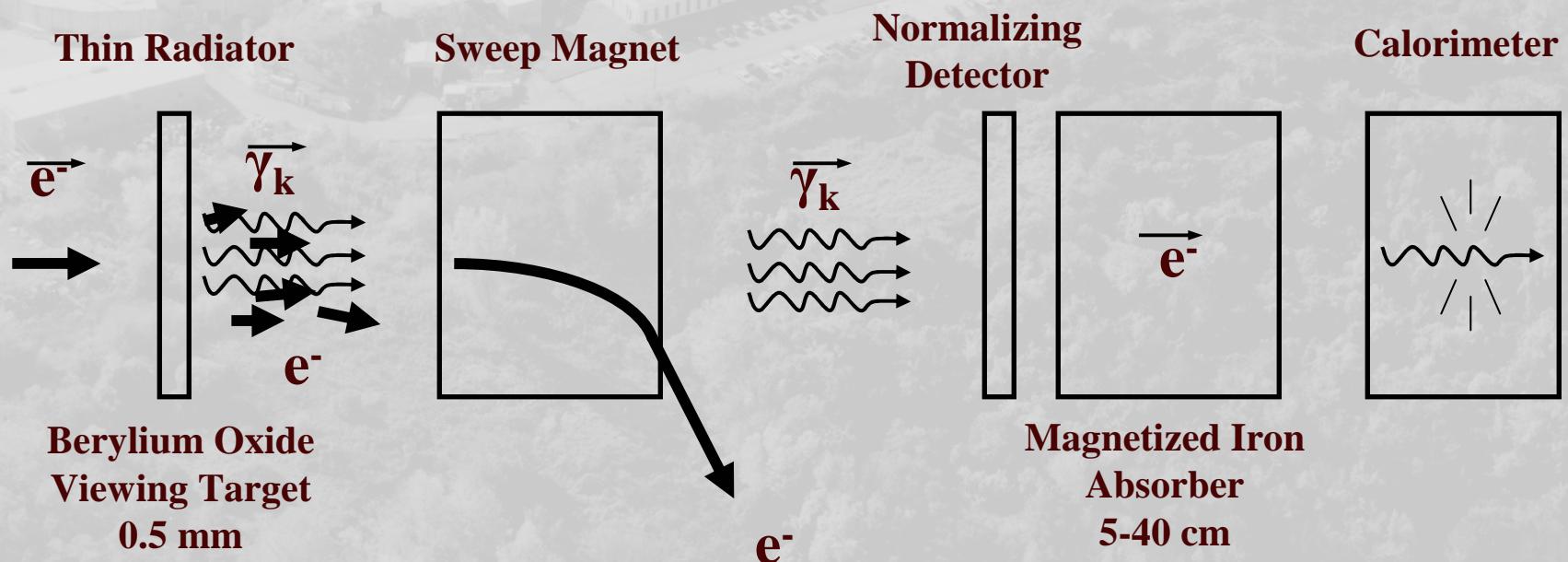


Systematic Error is Dominated by Uncertainty in Sherman Function

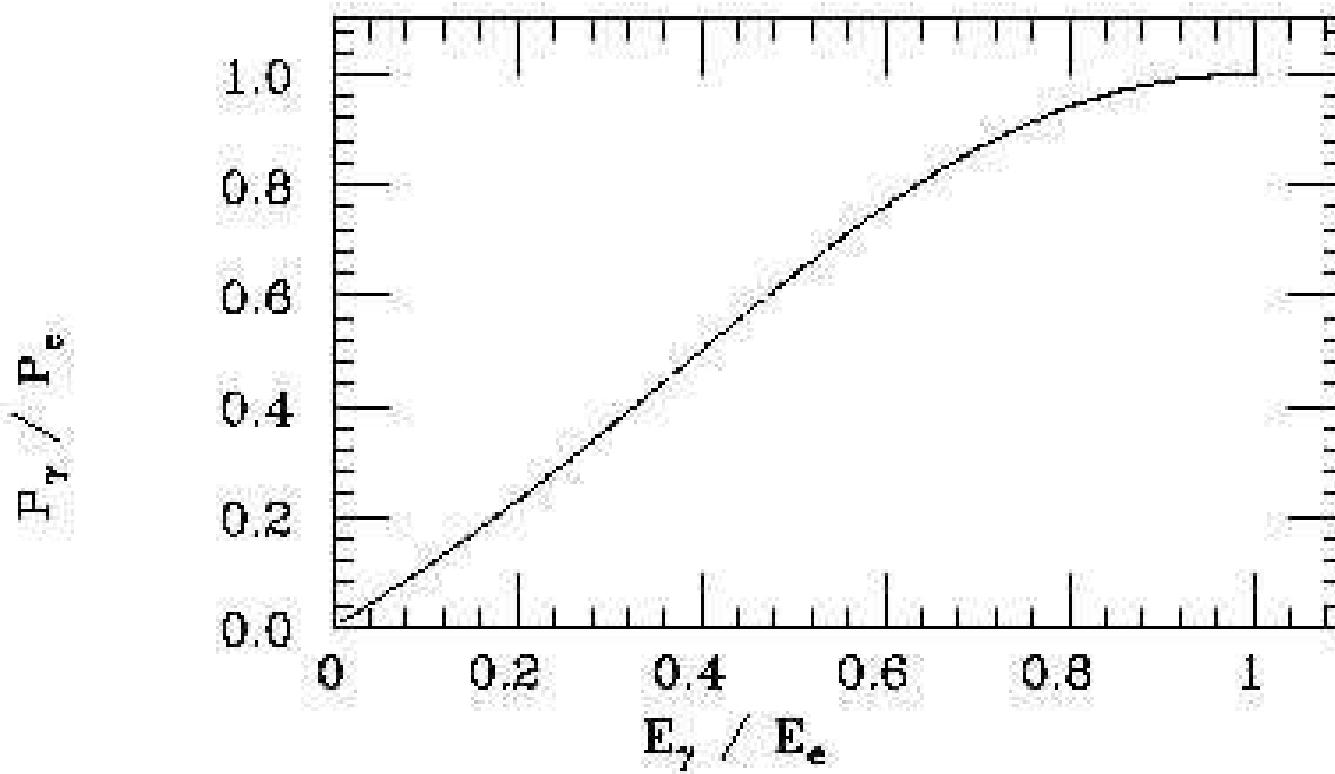
# Transmission Polarimeter

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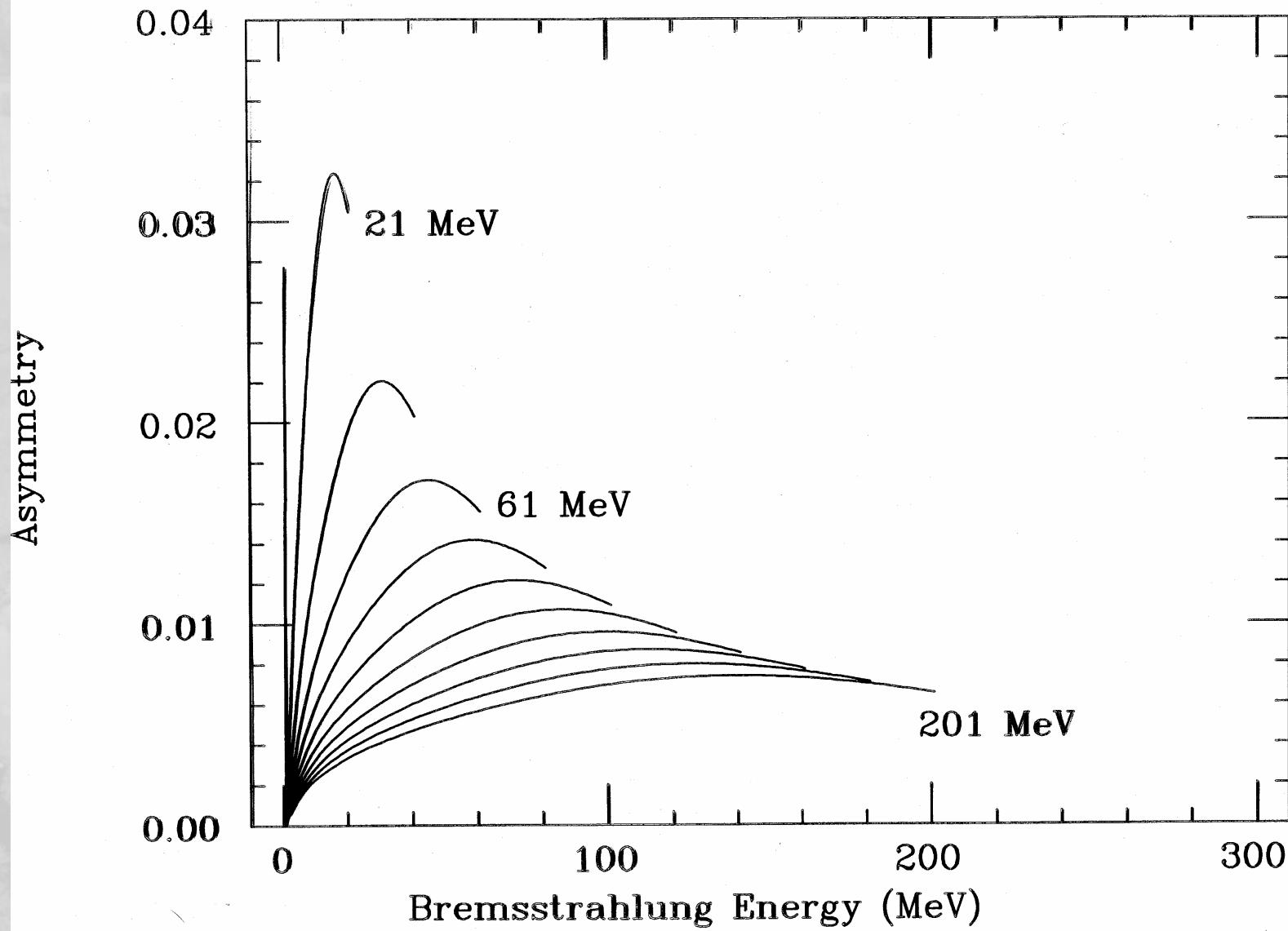
J. Bellanca and R. Wilson in *Parity Violation in Electron Scattering* edited by E.J. Beise and R.D. McKeown (World Scientific, New Jersey, 1990) p 111



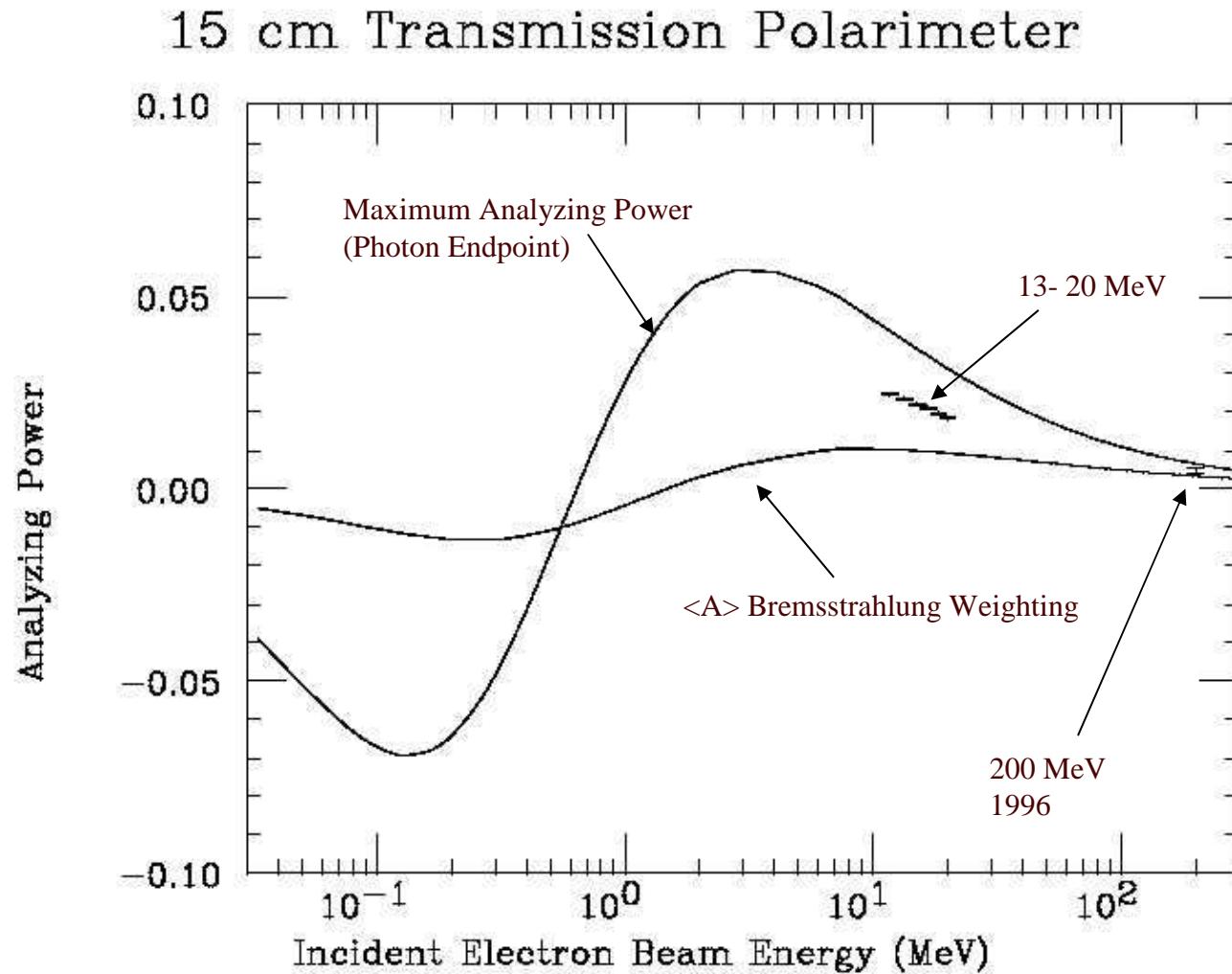
# Bremsstrahlung Polarization



# Transmission Asymmetry



# Trans. Polarimeter Analyzing Power



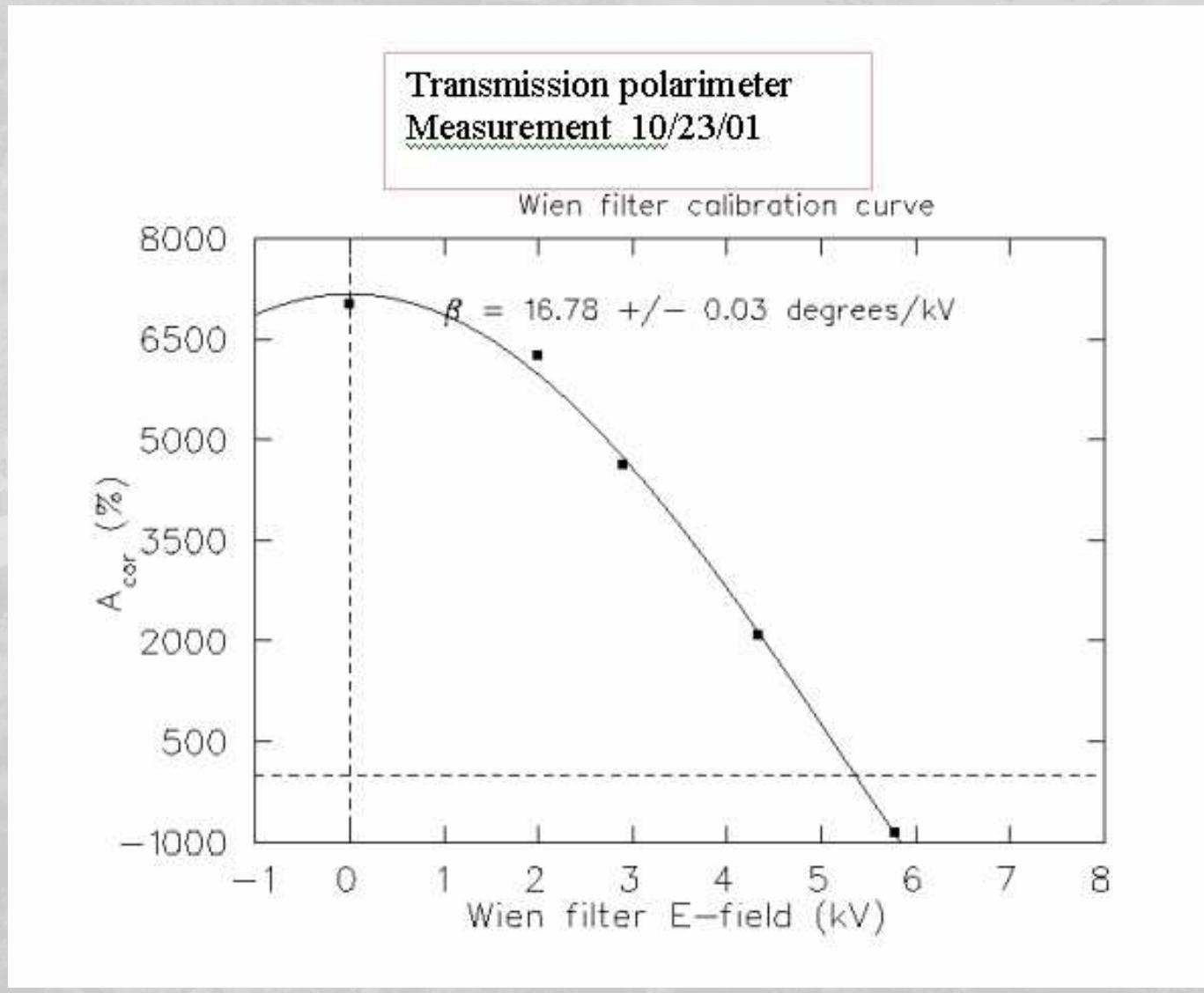
# 20 MeV Transmission Polarimeter

## Absorption Magnet



# Wien Filter Calibration

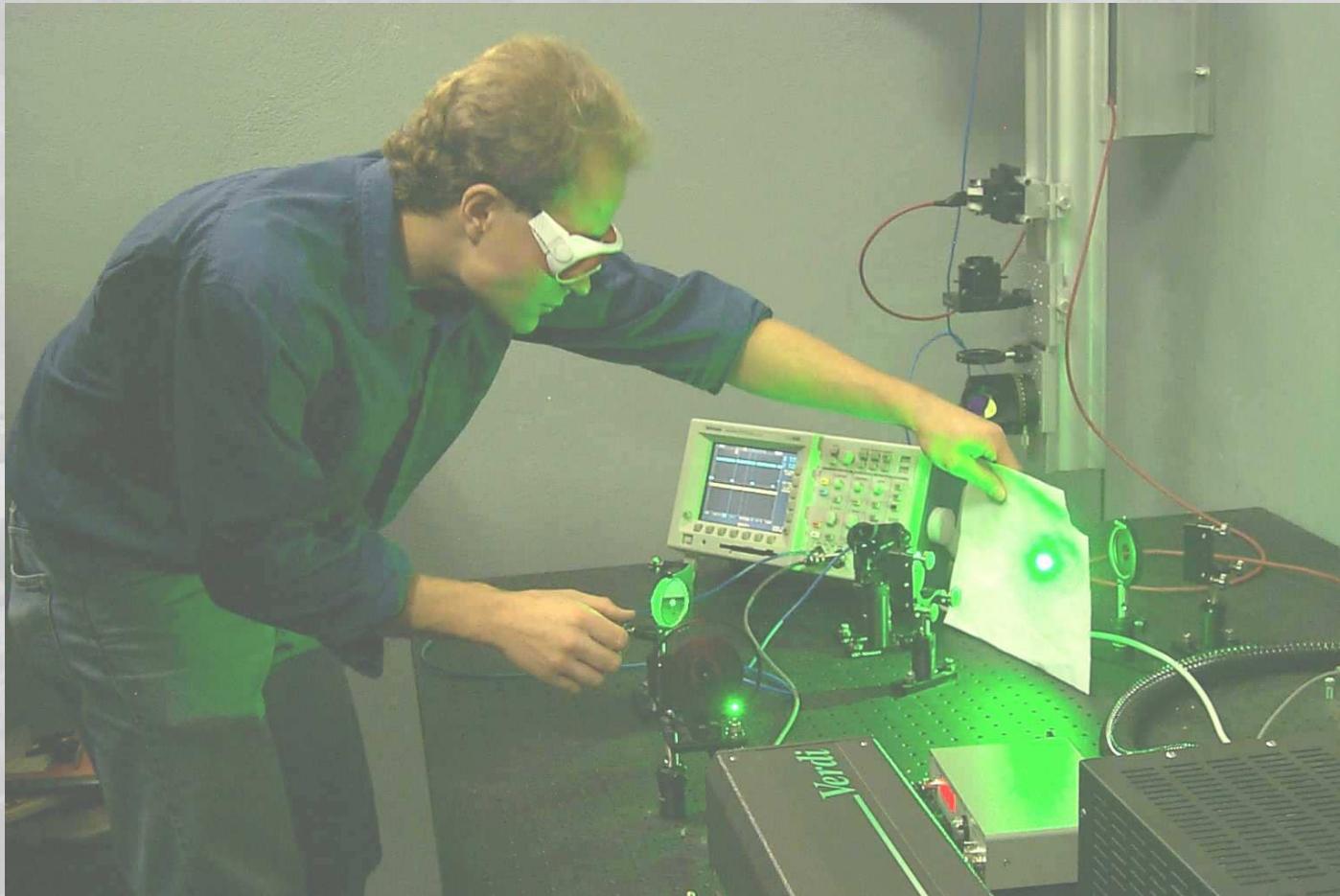
High FOM ( $NA^2$ ) enables accurate establishment of polarization transport



# Laser Back-Scattering

# Compton Polarimeter

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5 W Diode Pumped 532 nm VERDI Laser

# Compton Polarimeter

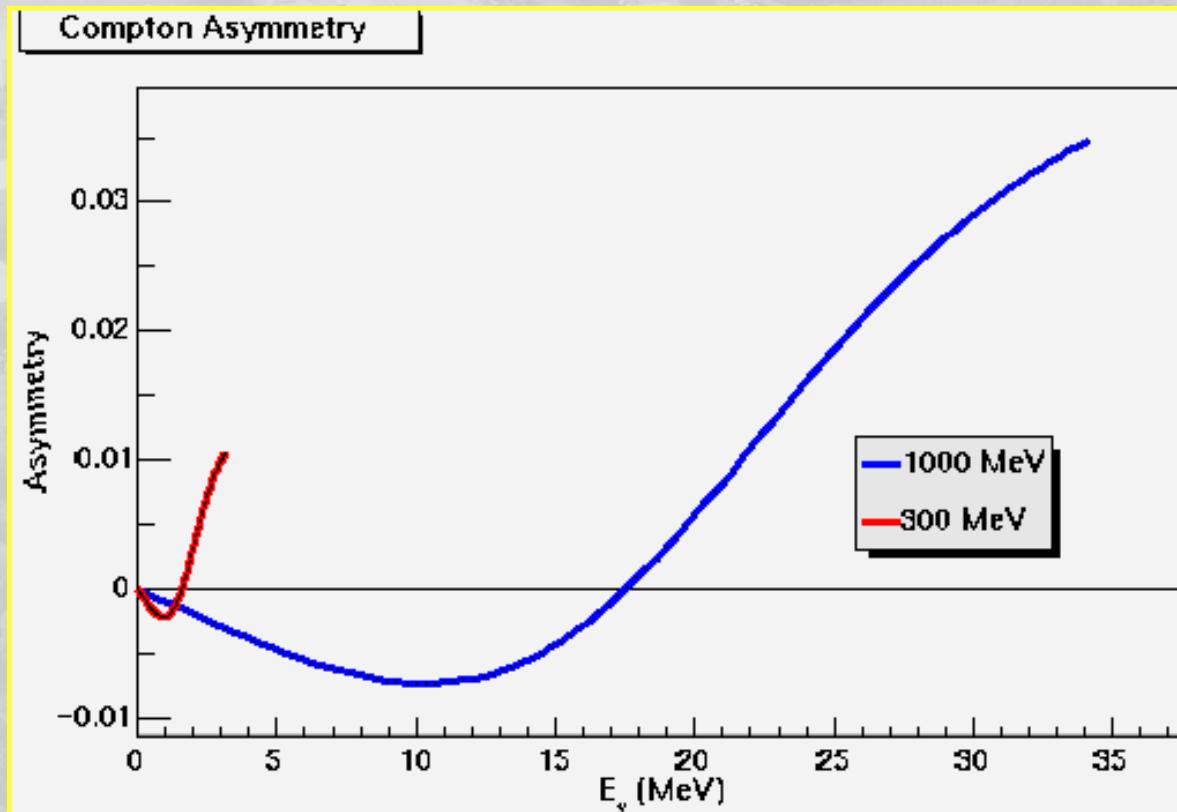
Longitudinal Polarization –

Longitudinal Polarization 300 MeV – 1000 MeV

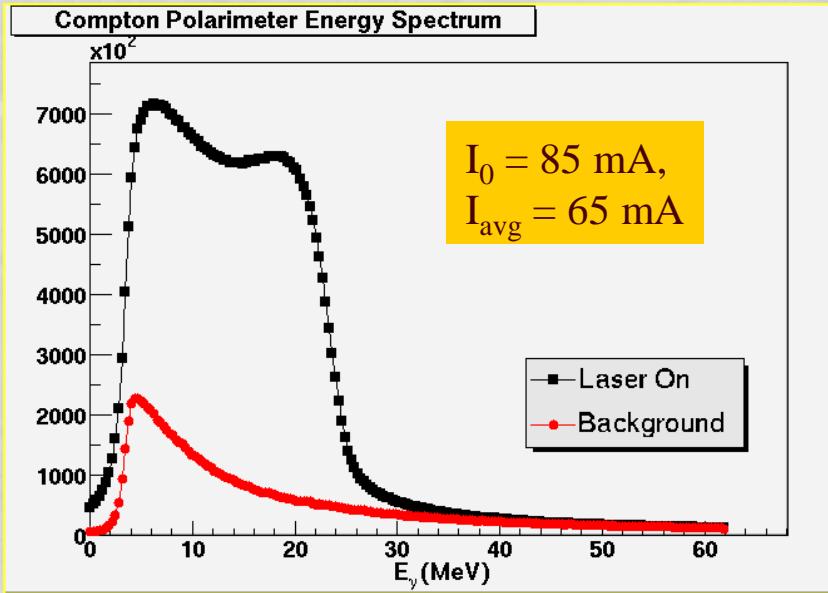
Similar to NIKHEF AmPS Polarimeter. (Igor Passchier)

High Current Operation ( $\sim 100$  mA)

Small Analyzing Power at Lower Energy

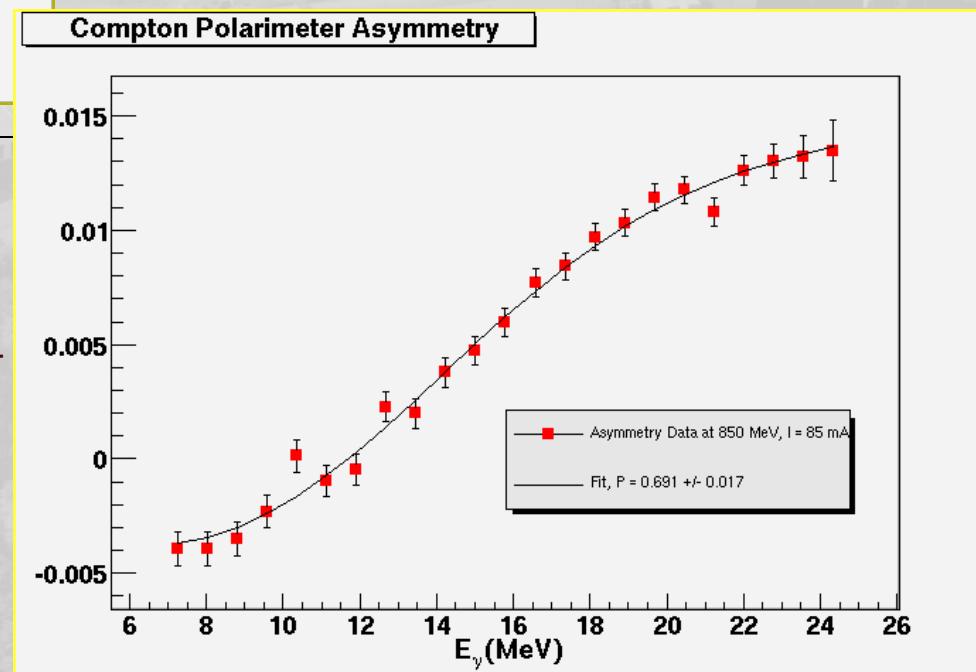


# Compton Polarimeter Spectra



- Polarization about 0.70 typical
- Statistical precision of measurements governed mostly by signal-to-background ratio. Typical precision of 1-2% per hour.
- Systematic errors estimated at 5% level presently. Working on reducing these through improved analysis of energy spectrum

- Polarization measurements made at currents up to 130 mA. Signal to background ratio worsens at high currents but still tractable
- Variable Thickness Stainless Steel Absorbers: 1", 2", 3"
- No Pileup Systematic
- Systematics due to Absorber (<3%)



## Systematic Error Estimation

- Small analyzing power makes systematic error reduction crucial
- Need accurate modeling of shape and magnitude of analyzing power and good energy calibration for calorimeter ( $\Delta P \sim 0.03$ )
  - Some dependence on beam intensity and geometric configuration
- Laser circular polarization appears to be stable ( $\Delta P < 0.01$ )
- Modeling of analyzing power (0.02)
- Uncertainty in spin precession between polarimeter and BLAST ( $\Delta P \sim 0.01$ )
- Polarization Induced Transport Asymmetry (0.10 for single electron polarization, 0.02 for average polarization)
- Normalization technique for energy spectra (0.02)
- Transverse polarization ( $\Delta P < 0.01$ )

Total systematic error in average beam polarization estimated at 0.05. Working to reduce these numbers, but sufficient for initial set of BLAST experiments.

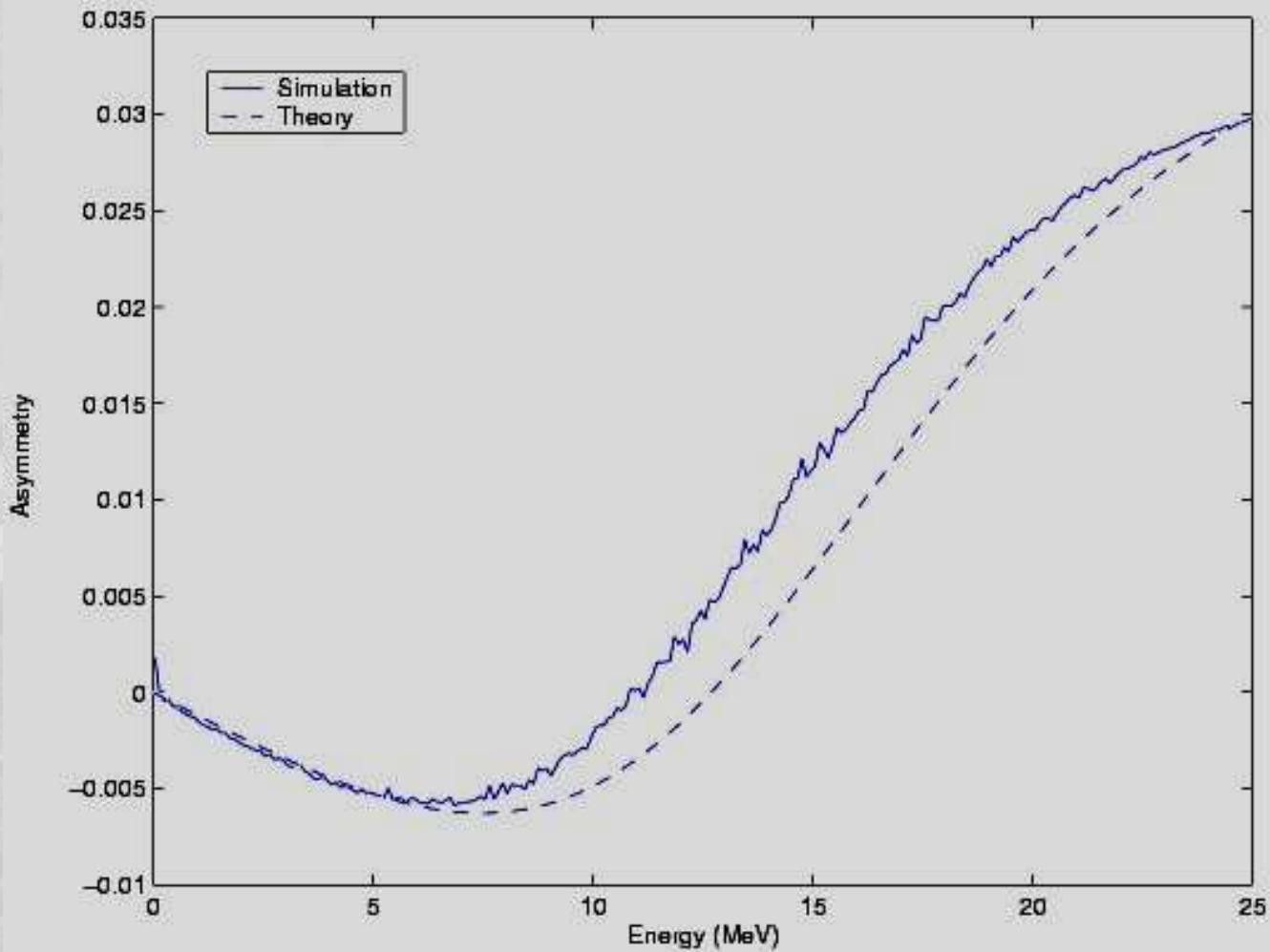
Comparable to systematics with NIKHEF Compton Polarimeter.

I. Passchier et al, NIM A414, 446 (2000)

Source of systematic error	$\Delta P_s$
$E_\gamma$ calibration	0.022
$P_{\text{laser}}$	0.013
$x_{\beta e}$ parametrisation	0.004
$E_e$	0.003
Energy spectrum shift	0.001
Luminosity asymmetry	0.001
Total	0.027

# Geant Simulation of Calorimeter Response

M. Hurwitz



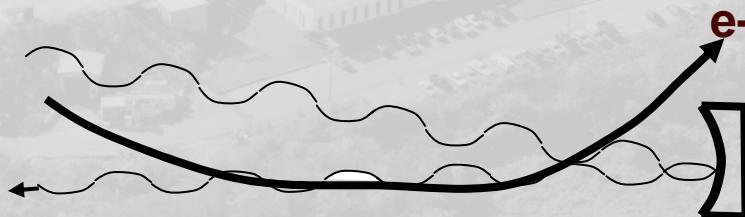
# Things we might do Differently

Introduce laser from upstream (E. Ihloff)

Preserves near normal Incidence on mirror

Polarization transport greatly simplified

Similar to solution for polarized injector  
(Kowalski, Beck)



Stored beam time structure is compatible w/ use of waveplates rather than Pockels cells to prepare circular polarization.

# Calibrated Sources

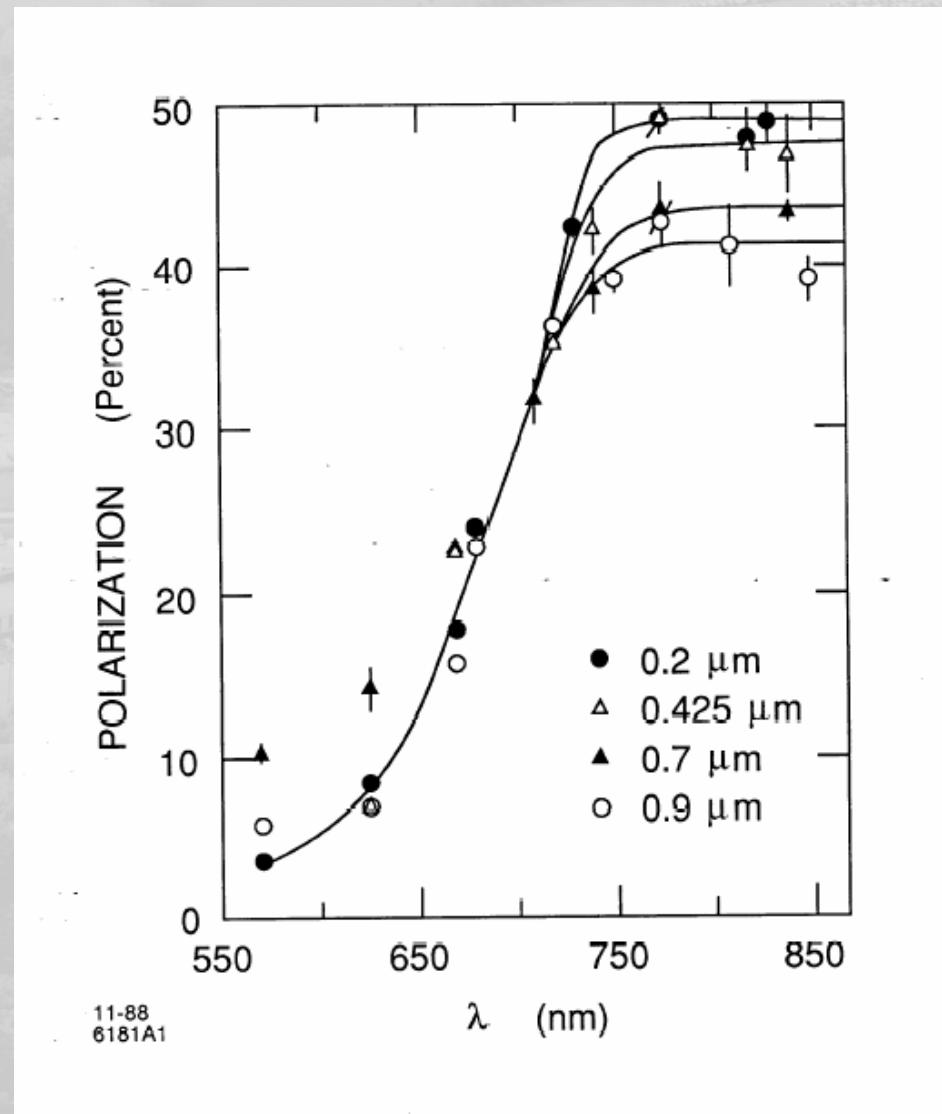
Ideal Calibration Source would be 100% Polarized e-. Delivered at operating current.

Not yet possible.

But  $P_e=50\%$ ?

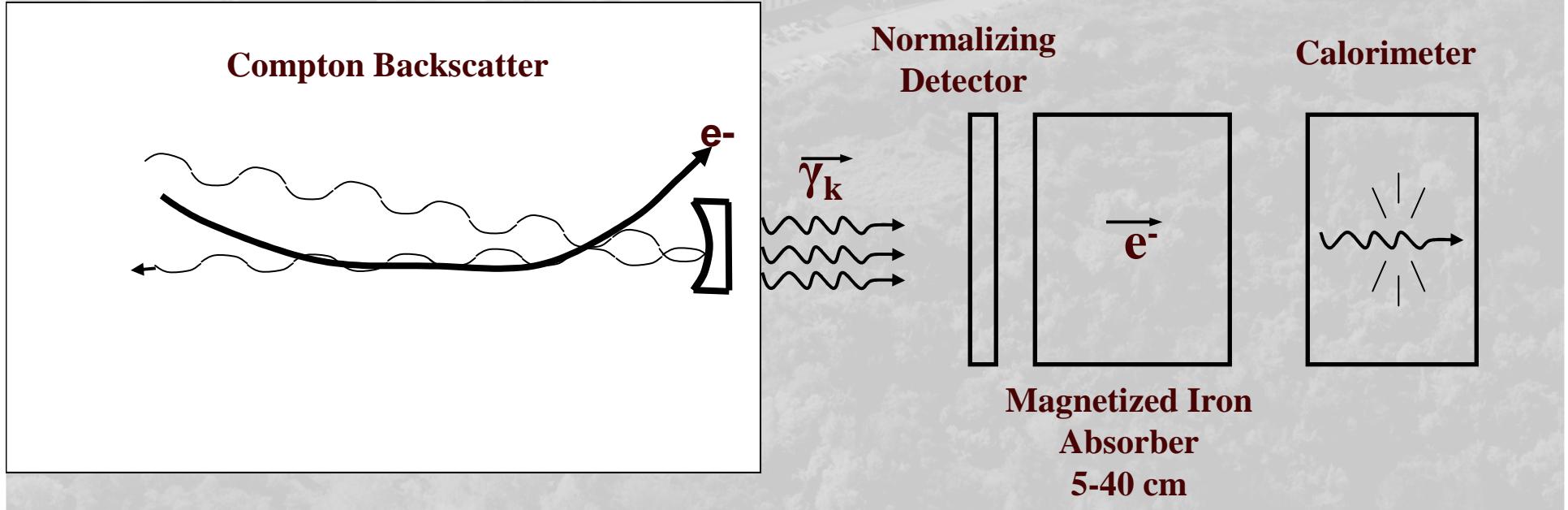
Thin Bulk GaAs (100-200 nm)

More recent work has not confirmed this.  
(Sinclair et. al.)

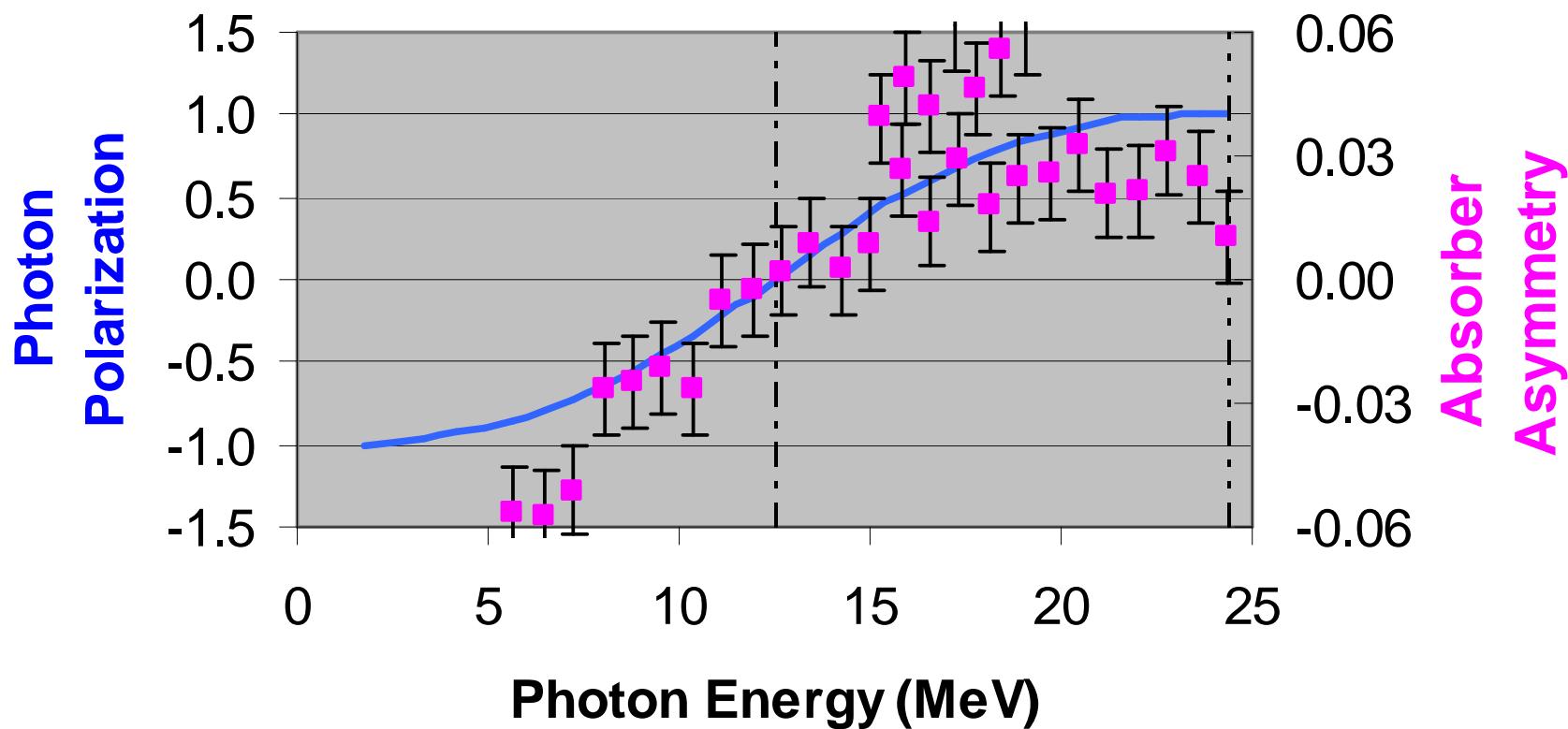


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or
6. Calibrate Analyzing Power Absolutely using Compton Backscatter as Source of 100% Polarized Photons

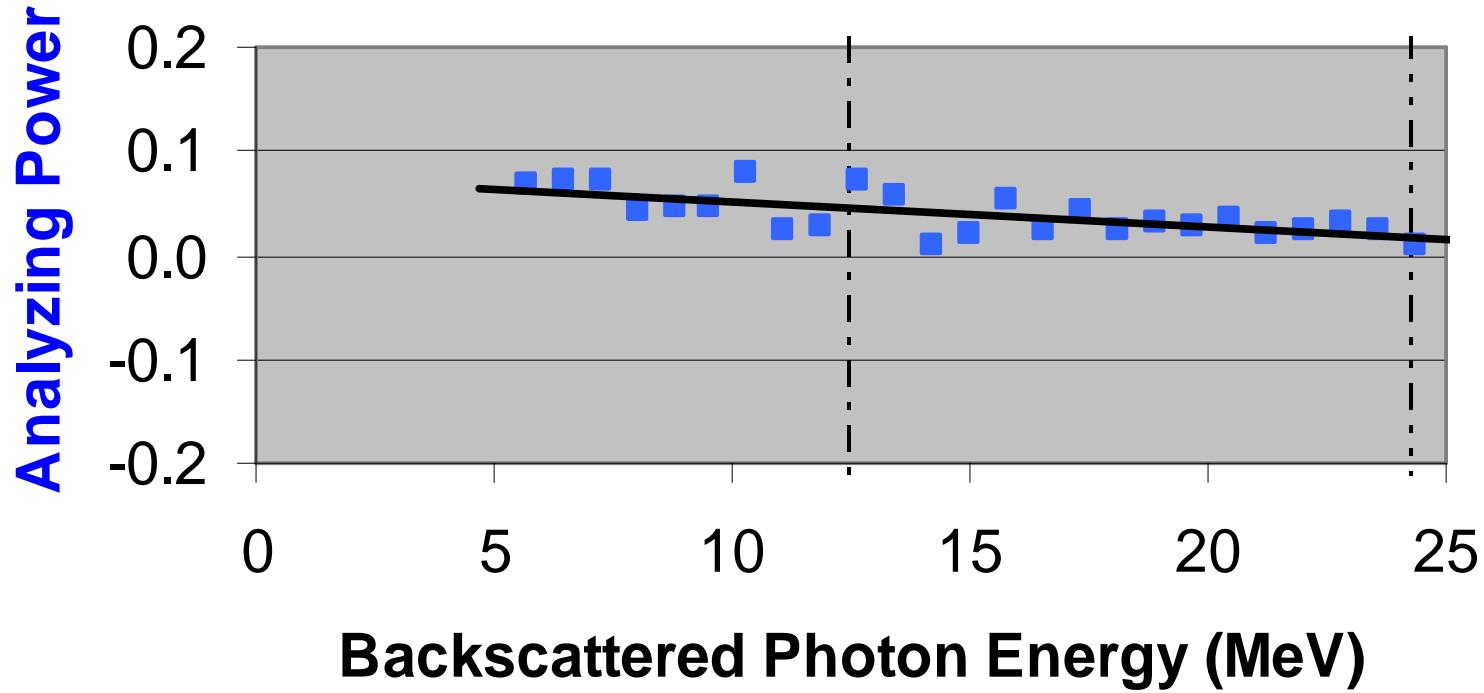


## Backscattered Photon Polarization 850 MeV Electrons

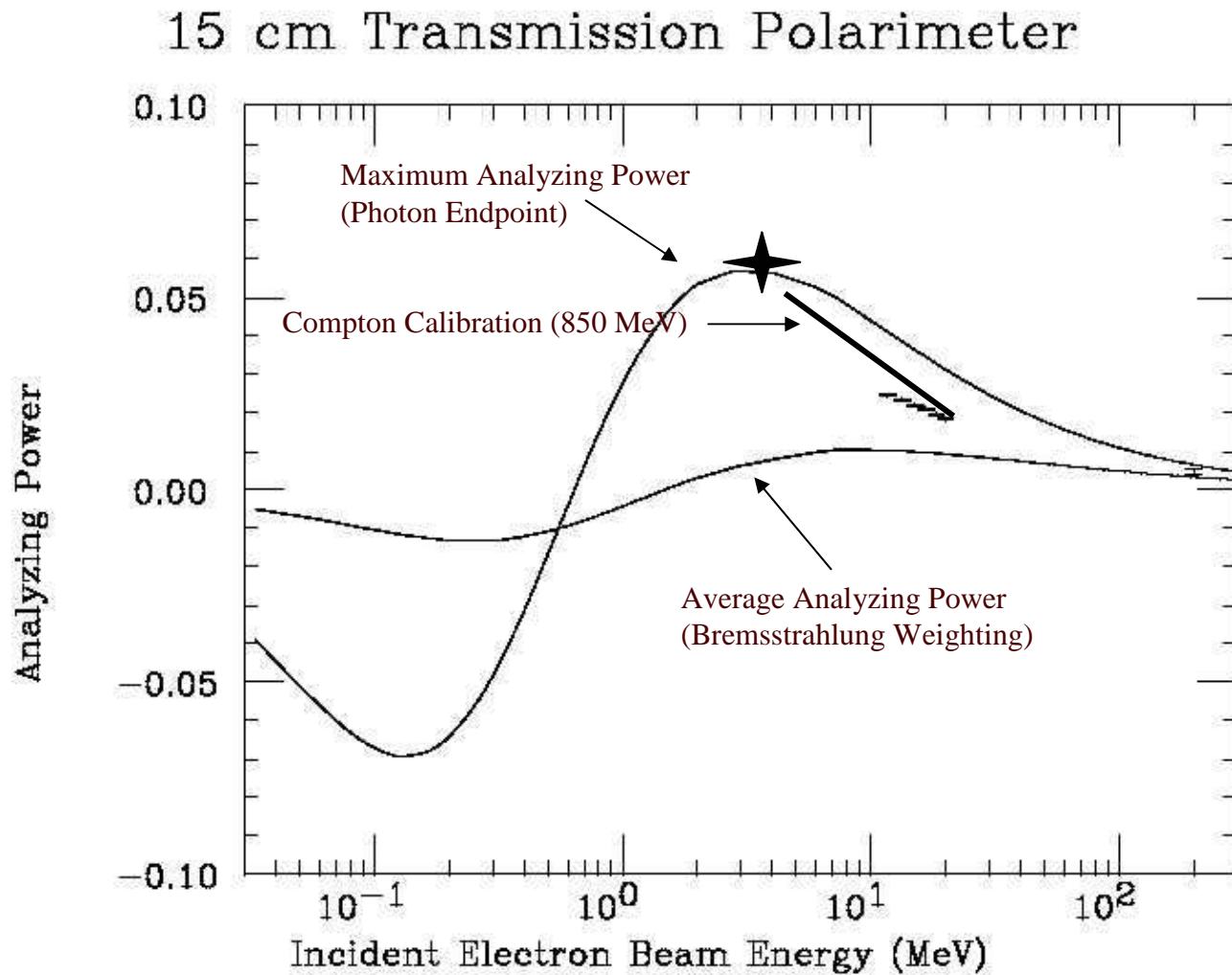


**Extracted Analyzing Power  
of 20 cm Absorber Magnet  
850 MeV electrons**

$$\langle A \rangle = 0.046$$



# Trans. Polarimeter Analyzing Power



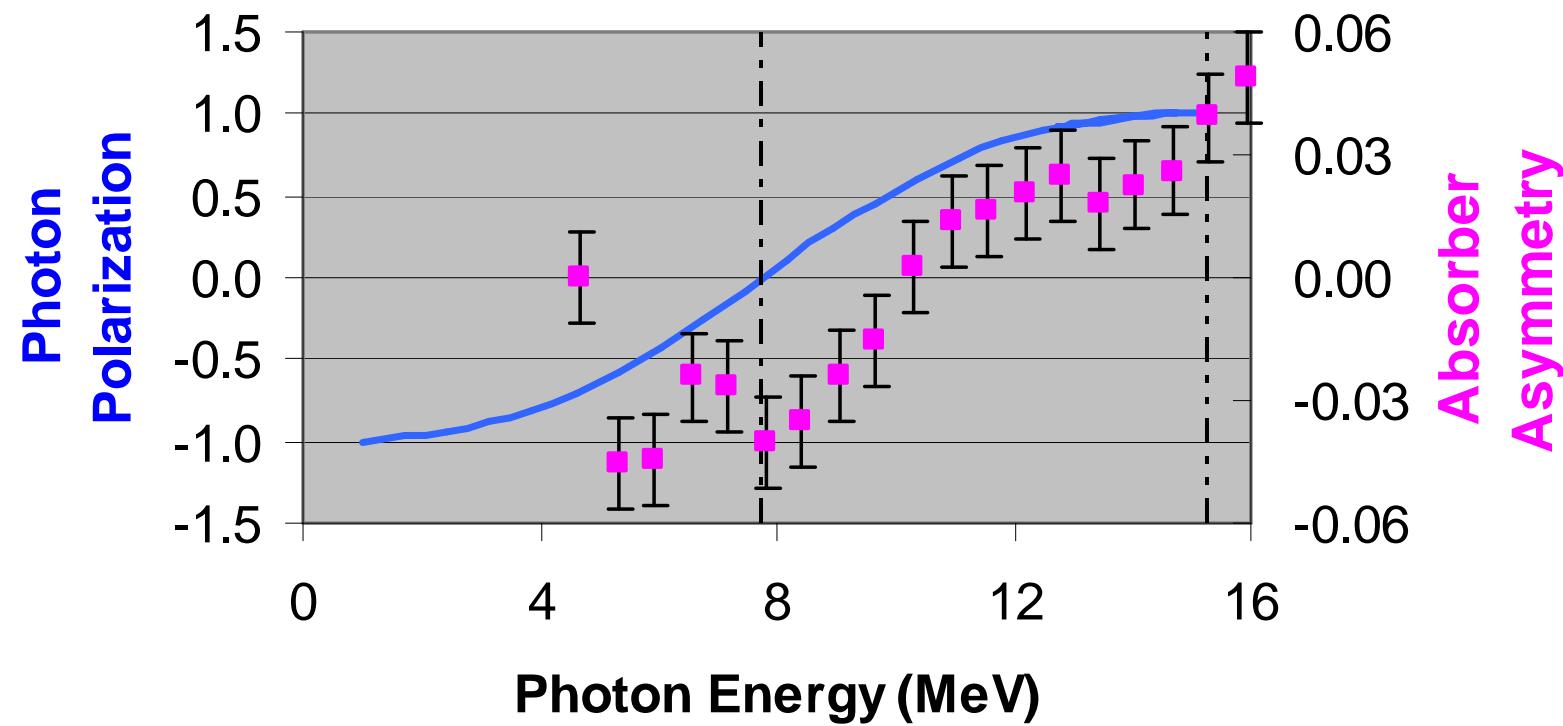


# Analyzing Power Calibration

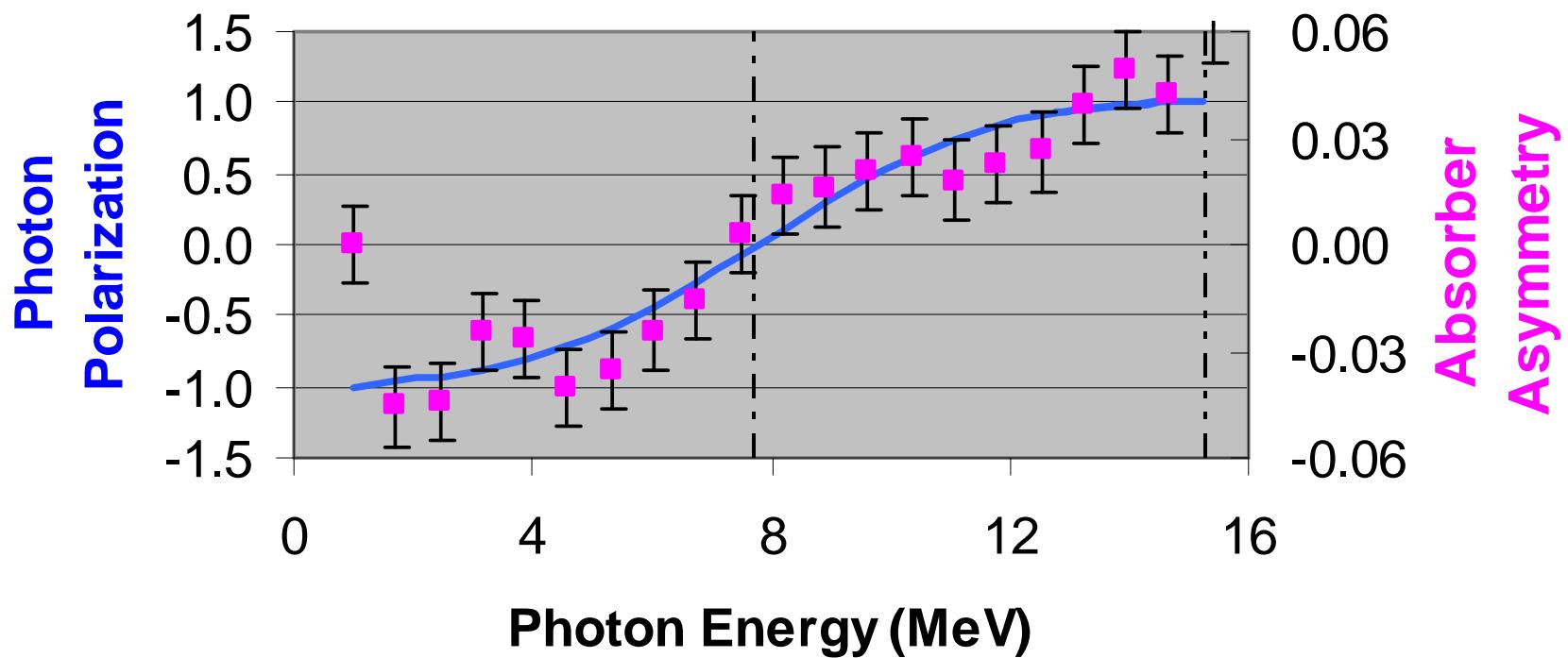
- Backscatter Photon Polarization is given by Laser Polarization
- Laser Polarization is very High.  $P_{\text{laser}} > 99.0\%$
- Doesn't Rely on Knowledge of Iron Electron Polarization
- Calorimeter Response will be important. Bremsstrahlung spectrum vs. Compton Spectrum.
- Emittance of Analyzed Photon Beam may be important



## Backscattered Photon Polarization 669 MeV Electrons



**Backscattered Photon Polarization**  
**669 MeV Electrons**  
**Recalibrate Gain and Offset**



**Extracted Analyzing Power  
of 20 cm Absorber Magnet**

**Ebeam = 669 MeV**

**$\langle A \rangle = 0.043$**

