

# Positron Sources, Applications and the PEPPo Experiment

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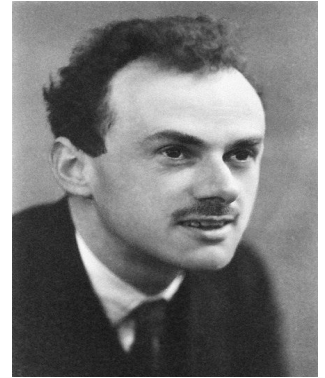
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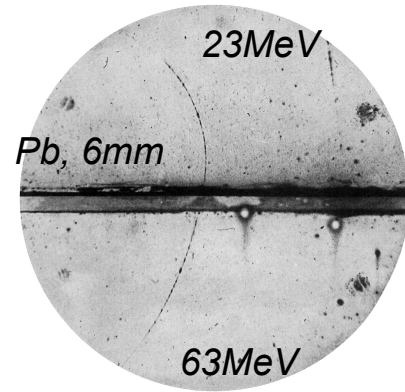
# A Distinguished Field

**P.A.M. Dirac** (1902 – 1984) shared **1933 Nobel prize** (with Erwin Schrodinger) for the relativistic wave equation of massive spin-1/2 particles. The theory predicts **negative energy “holes”** with **properties identical to the electron** yet having a **positive charge!**

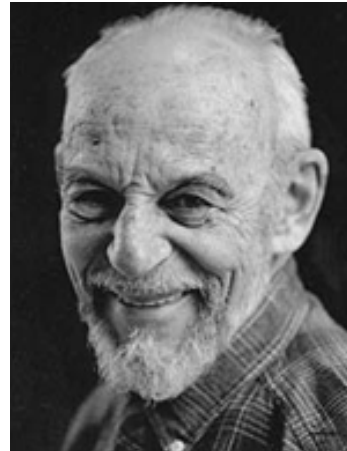
$$\left[ \frac{W^2}{c^2} - p_r^2 - m^2 c^2 \right] \psi = 0$$



**Carl Anderson** (1905 – 1991) shared **1936 Nobel prize** (with Victor Hess) for detecting the positron (March 15, 1933, PRL, V. 43, The Positive Electron). **The term positron was given by the *Physical Review* editor!** He also co-discovered the muon!

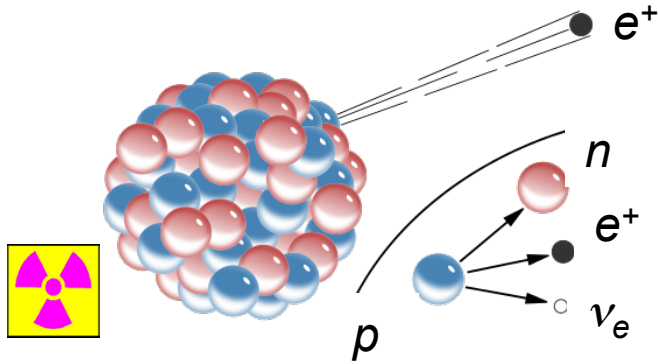


**Martin Deutsch** (1917 – 2002) awarded **1956 Nobel prize** for discovery of bound positrons given the name Positronium (Ps), which also had been predicted by **Anderson**.



# 30,000 foot (9144 meter) view

## $\beta^+$ emission by radioactive decay



### Extended Radioactive Decay

- Nuclear reactors
- Accelerators/Cyclotrons

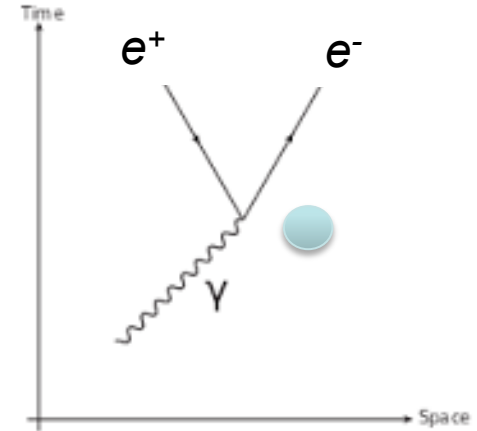
### Lower energy

- Emission  $< \text{MeV}$
- Random emission
- Half-life  $\sim$ months-years

### Lower Intensity

- $10^6 - 10^8 \text{ e}^+/\text{s}$

## Pair Conversion by energetic photon



### Prompt Pair Creation ( $>1.022 \text{ MeV}$ )

- Bremsstrahlung
- Synchrotron/Undulator
- Inverse Compton scattering

### Higher Energy

- LINAC acceleration  $> \text{MeV}$
- Synchronous emission

### Higher Intensity

- $10^{10} - 10^{12} \text{ e}^+/\text{s}$

# Talk Outline

## **Applications**

- Diverse activities and energy requirements

## **Radioactive $\beta^+$ decay**

- Sources and applications

## **Pair production by gamma rays**

- Accelerator based sources
- Technical challenges

## **Polarized Positrons**

- Methods
- Polarized Electrons for Polarized Positrons (PEPPo)

## **Outlook**

- Positrons at Jefferson Lab (CEBAF, LERF, UITF)
- R&D Opportunities



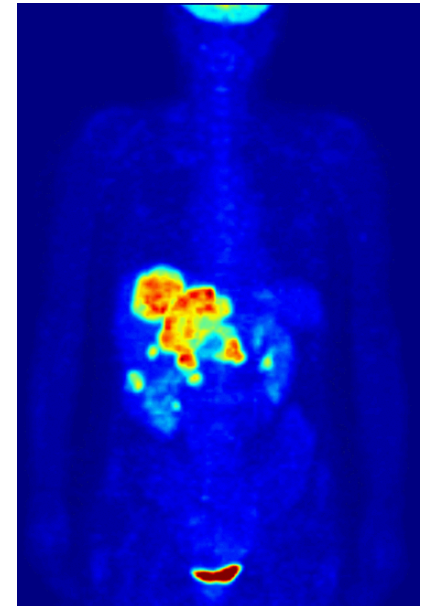
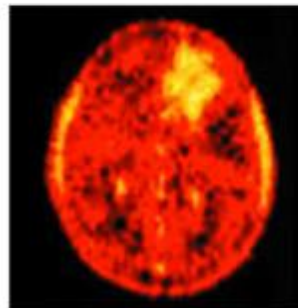
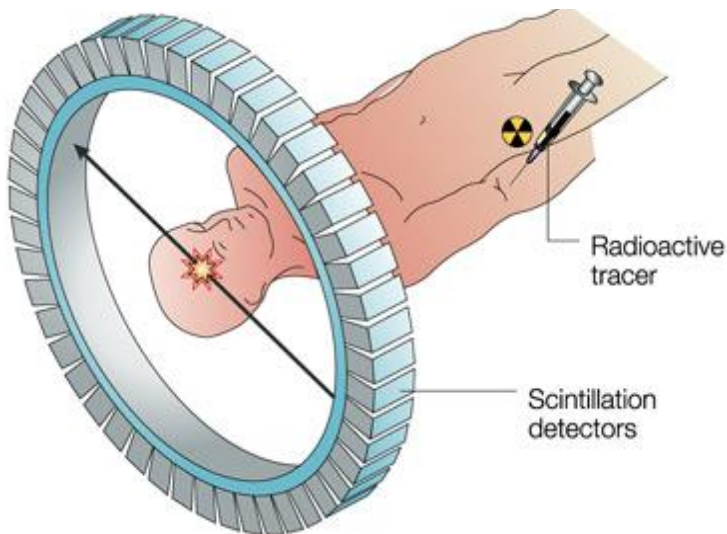
# *How are positrons used ?*

## **Applications from 1 eV to 1 TeV**

- Medical Diagnosis
- Materials Characterization
- Positronium Creation
- Anti-Gravity Test
- Nuclear Physics Probe
- Precision Standard Model Test

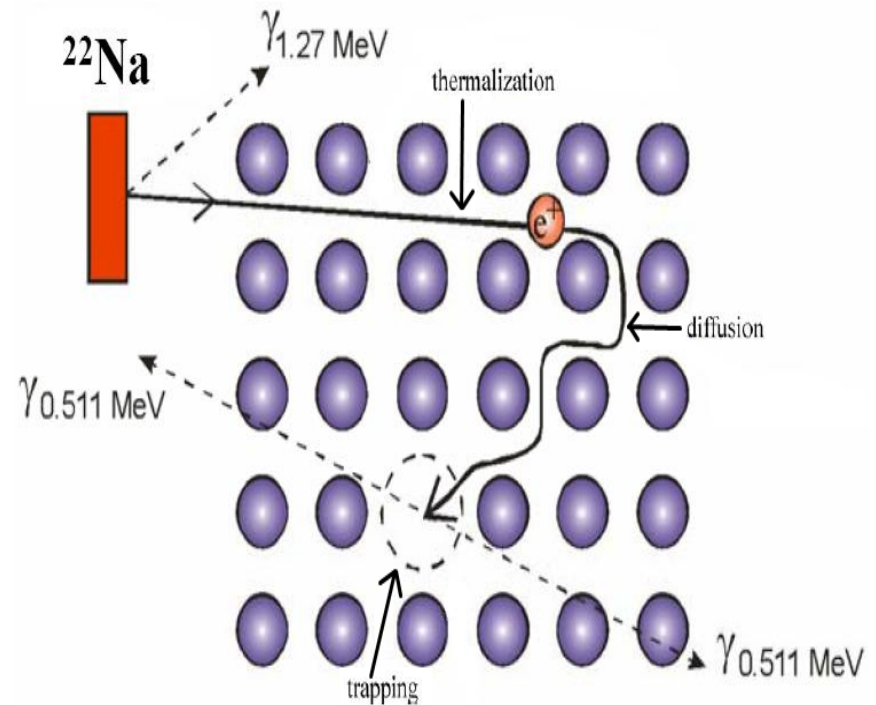
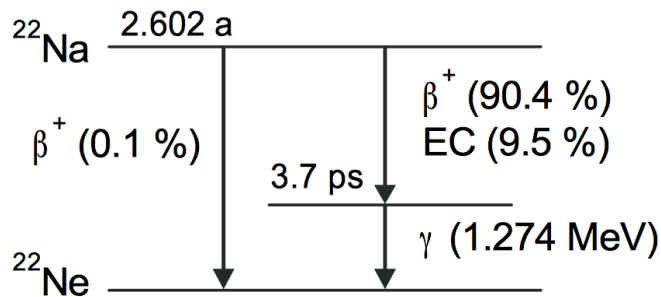
# Medicine: Positron Emission Tomography

- A short-lived (10's of minutes) radioactive tracer is incorporated to a biologically active molecule, e.g. fluorodeoxyglucose ( $^{18}\text{F}$ )
- Injected into the blood tissue becomes concentrated with the tracer after a short waiting period
- After travelling up to a few millimeters the thermalized positron annihilates into a pair of oppositely moving gammas
- Technique depends upon high **energy resolution** of photons which arrive in **pairs**.



# Materials Science: Positron Annihilation Spectroscopy

- Probe for semiconductors, electronic structure of metals and alloys, radiation damage, surfaces and interfaces



$e^+$  annihilation rate  $\propto e^-$  density

# PAS Techniques and Observables

## Positron Lifetime (PALS)

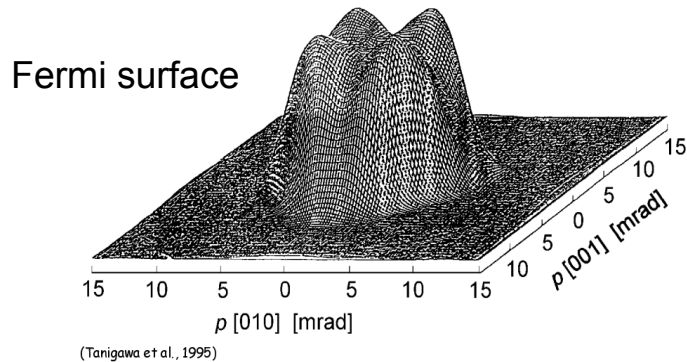
Time between trigger and annihilation photon depends on void size and defect density

- Silicon (bulk): 218 ps
- Defect (dopant): 260-330 ps

## Angular Correlation (ACAR)

Angular deflection between annihilation photons due to transverse momentum of electrons

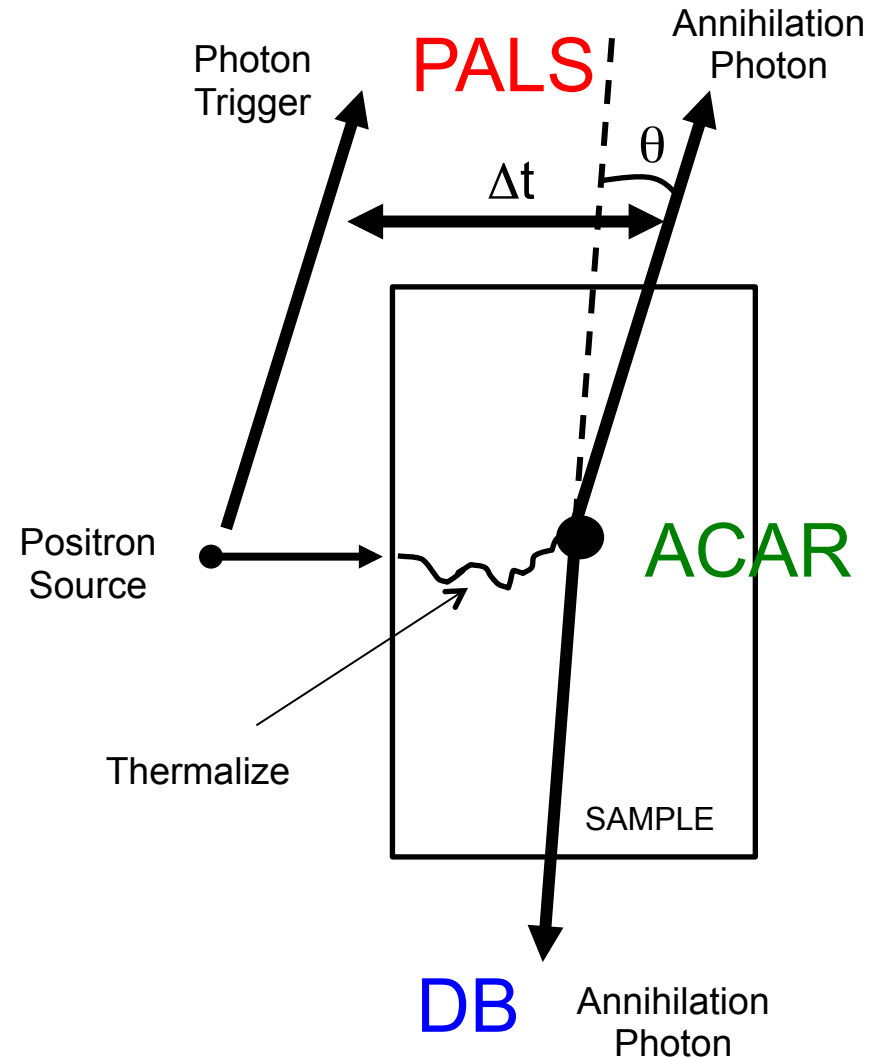
$$\theta \propto p_{x,y}/m_{e^-}$$



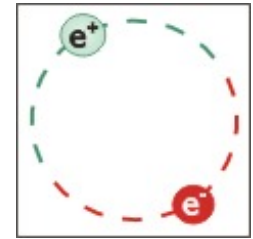
## Doppler Broadening (DB)

Annihilation photon energy shift due to the longitudinal momentum of electrons

$$E_\gamma = 0.511 \text{ MeV} \pm \Delta E \quad (\Delta E \propto p_z/2)$$

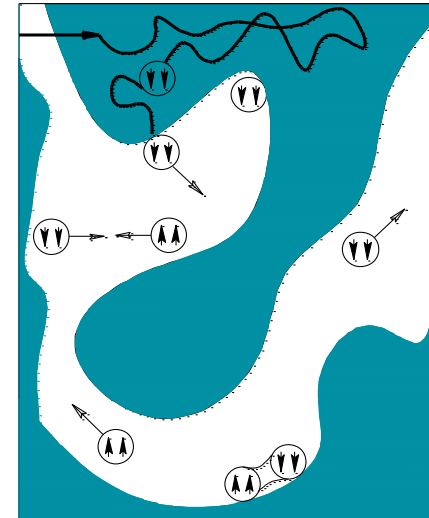


# Positronium (Ps) Formation



- Although an electron/positron pair are doomed to annihilate they can briefly exist in a bound state described as a hydrogen atom with corresponding reduced mass of  $e^+/e^-$

- Positrons directed into porous silica can **pick up an electron to form Ps** in the bulk and then diffuse to the surface or remain in internal voids
- Ps can also be become trapped on the surface to **form Ps<sub>2</sub> molecules**
- Ps behaves like atom**: provide tool for atomic (QED) or condensed matter physics, or production of anti-matter



## Spin

## Lifetime

## Hydrogen Like Energy Levels

$$|0,0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

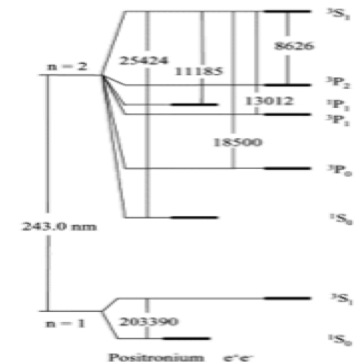
$$|1,0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

$$|1,1\rangle = |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$|1,-1\rangle = |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$$

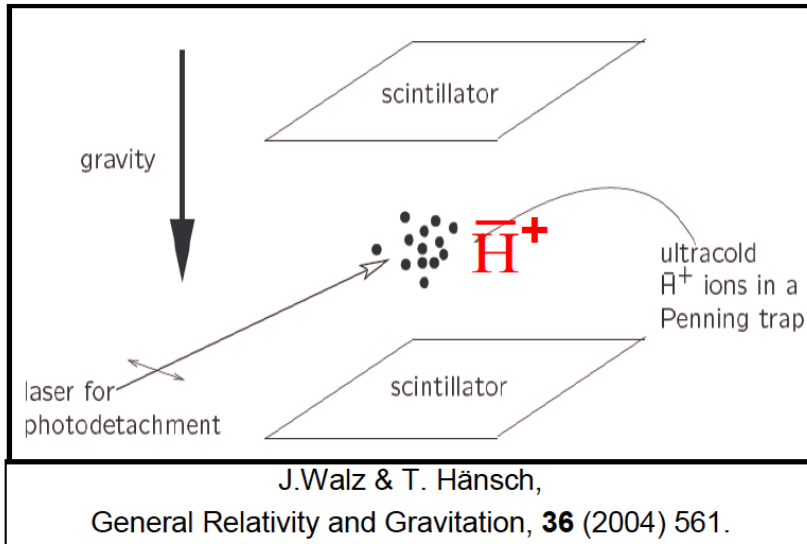
para-Ps (s=0) ~ 125 ps

ortho-Ps (s=1) ~ 142,000 ps



# Gravitational Force on Anti-Hydrogen

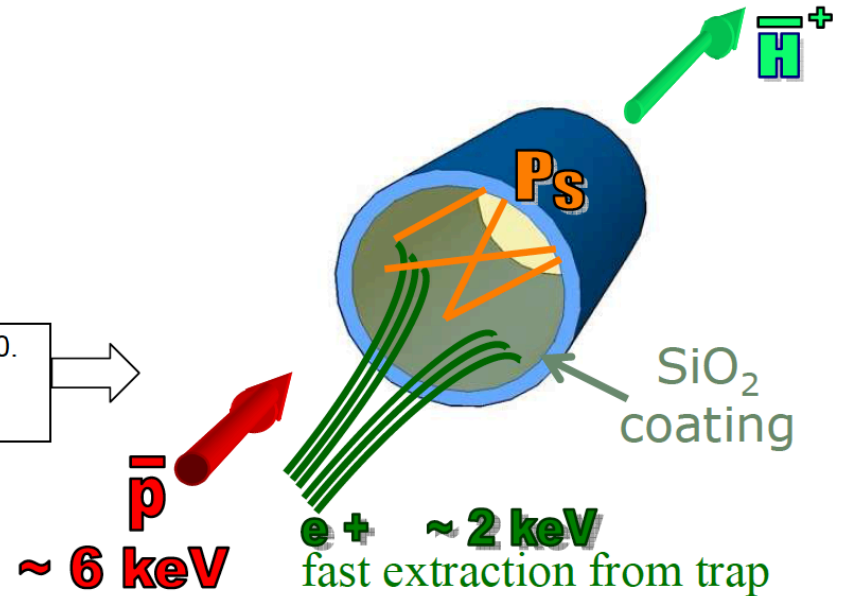
Measure “free-fall” of  $\bar{H}^+$  cooled to a few  $\mu\text{K}$



*P. Pérez and A. Rosowsky, Nucl. Inst. Meth. A 545 (2005) 20-30.*  
*P. Pérez et al., CERN-SPSC-2007-038, December 2007.*  
 P. Perez, SLOPOS-11 communication

**Needs high intensity  
slow positron beam!**

$\bar{H}^+$  formation





# Nuclear Physics



Jefferson Lab's CEBAF Accelerator  
CW electron beam to 3 halls  
Electron Polarization  $\sim 90\%$   
Max Energy: 11 GeV(ABC) / 12 GeV(D)  
Max Current: 200  $\mu\text{A}$

Nuclear physics benefits using a polarized positrons beam:

- ❑ Parton Imaging (Nuclear Momentum)
- ❑ Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering
- ❑ Two Photon Exchange

Other efforts may also benefit:

- ❑ Electron Ion Collider
- ❑ Materials Science Collaborations

The **charge** and **polarization** of the probe beam provide *degrees of freedom* which constrain physical observables.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON  
**POSITRONS**  
AT JEFFERSON LAB

March 25-27, 2009  
JEFFERSON LAB

**TOPICS:**

- Positron-proton elastic scattering
- Deeply virtual Compton scattering
- New 12 GeV experiments with positrons
- Technology of positron sources
- Polarized positrons
- Electron/photon drivers
- Positron & electron polarimetry
- Applied physics with positrons

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## Experimental Observables

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- **Unpolarized  $e^\pm$**  elastic scattering and **polarization transfert observables** off the nucleon involve up to **5 unknown** quantities.

Cross Section

$$\sigma_R = G_M^2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E^2 \pm 2G_M \Re[f_0(\delta\tilde{G}_M, \delta\tilde{F}_3)] \pm 2\frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} G_E \Re[f_1(\delta\tilde{G}_E, \delta\tilde{F}_3)]$$

Polarization Transfer

$$\sigma_R P_t = -\sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)}{\tau}} (G_E G_M \pm G_E \Re[\delta\tilde{G}_M] \pm G_M \Re[f_1(\delta\tilde{G}_E, \delta\tilde{F}_3)])$$

$$\sigma_R P_l = \sqrt{1-\varepsilon^2} (G_M^2 \pm 2G_M \Re[f_2(\delta\tilde{G}_M, \delta\tilde{F}_3)])$$

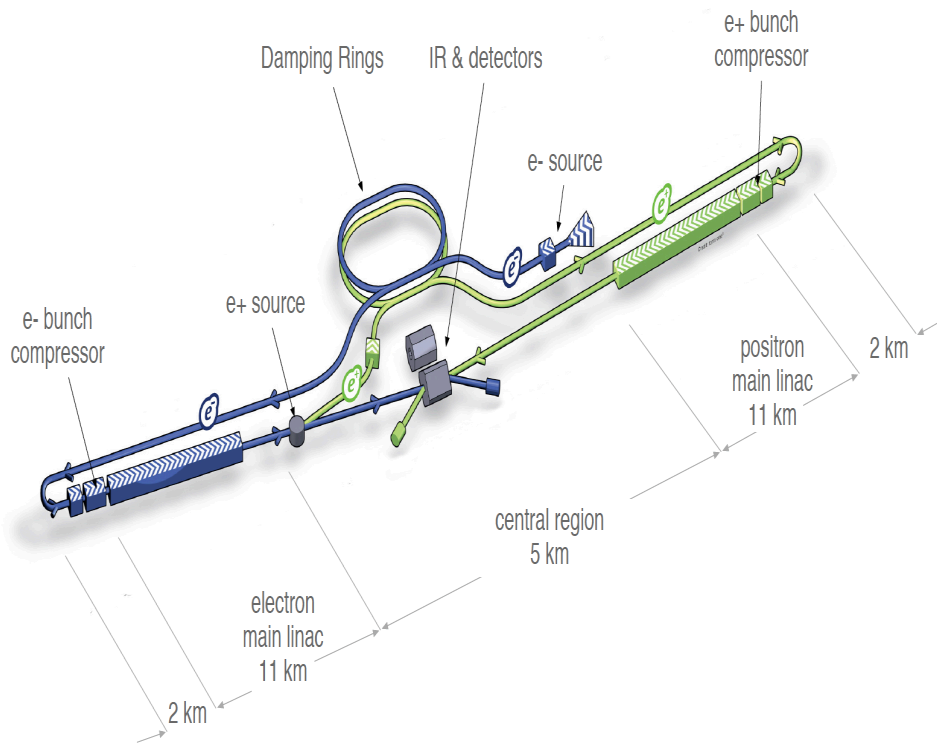
5 unknown contributions for 6 independent observables

Combining **Polarized electrons and positrons** allows a **model independent separation** of the electromagnetic form factors of the nucleon.



# Energy Frontier Tests of the Standard Model (1 TeV)

International Linear Collider design relies on the collision of *polarized electrons* and *polarized positrons* resulting in center-of-mass-energies up to 1 TeV



Energy	Reaction	Physics Goal
91 GeV	$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z$	ultra-precision electroweak
160 GeV	$e^+e^- \rightarrow WW$	ultra-precision $W$ mass
250 GeV	$e^+e^- \rightarrow Zh$	precision Higgs couplings
350–400 GeV	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow WW$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}h$	top quark mass and couplings precision $W$ couplings precision Higgs couplings
500 GeV	$e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow Zh_h$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}\tilde{\chi}$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow AH, H^+H^-$	precision search for $Z'$ Higgs coupling to top Higgs self-coupling search for supersymmetry search for extended Higgs states
700–1000 GeV	$e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}hh$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}VV$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}t\bar{t}$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}^*$	Higgs self-coupling composite Higgs sector composite Higgs and top search for supersymmetry

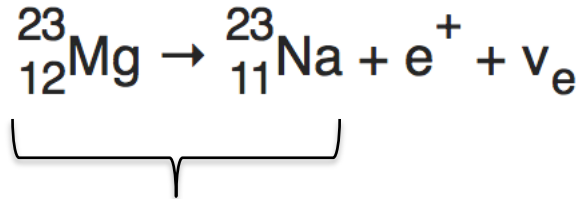
- Thrust is to provide **precision tests of Standard Model** that benefit from **model independent reactions** that **do not depend on the additional “stuff” which results from colliding massive particles**, e.g. like that at the LHC.
- The polarization of the  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  further **isolate spin-dependent channels**

# *Producing Positron Beams*

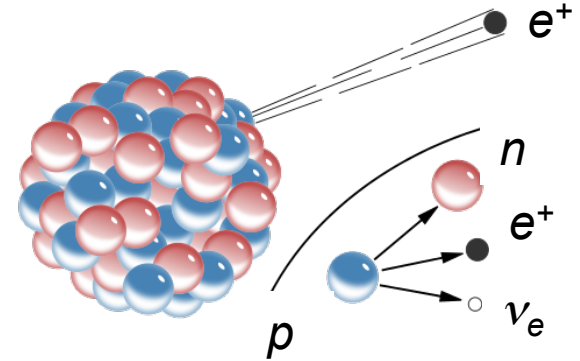
- **Application Driven**
  - energy
  - intensity
  - polarization
- **Source**
  - yield
  - collection
  - (de)acceleration
- **Beam Quality**
  - transverse/longitudinal emittance
  - time structure
- **Technical Challenges**
  - managing beam power
  - thermal loads
  - radioactivity

# Positron Generation by $\beta$ Decay

Beta-plus ( $\beta^+$ ) decay occurs when a proton inside a nucleus becomes a neutron via emitting  $W^+$  (or absorbing  $W^-$ ) via the weak interaction.



The daughter nuclide retains the mass number (A) but the atomic number (Z) decreases by 1 unit.



$$Q = [m({}_{Z}^AX) - m({}_{Z-1}^AX') - 2m_e] c^2$$

## **Q > 0 implies**

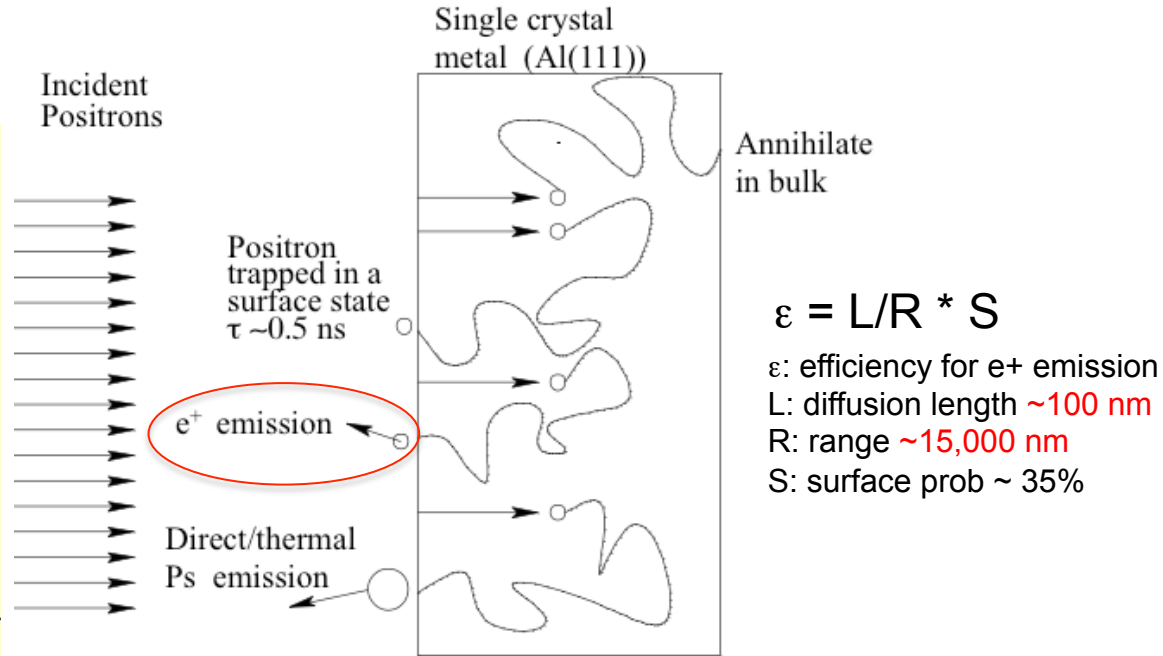
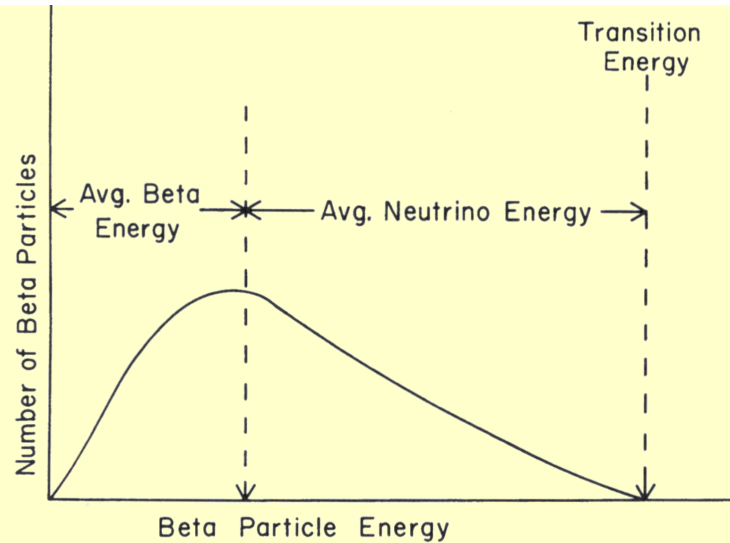
- mass of parent nuclei must exceed mass of daughter by twice  $m_e$
- isolated proton cannot decay into a (heavier) neutron

## **Positron Energy**

- typically 10-100 keV but can be as high as  $\sim 10$  MeV
- Q is partitioned to  $\beta^+$  and  $\nu_e$

# Moderating Radioactive $\beta^+$ Sources

$\text{Na}^{22}$ , mean 178keV, endpoint 545keV



## Use of moderators

Thermalize Positrons ( $\sim 1$  ps)

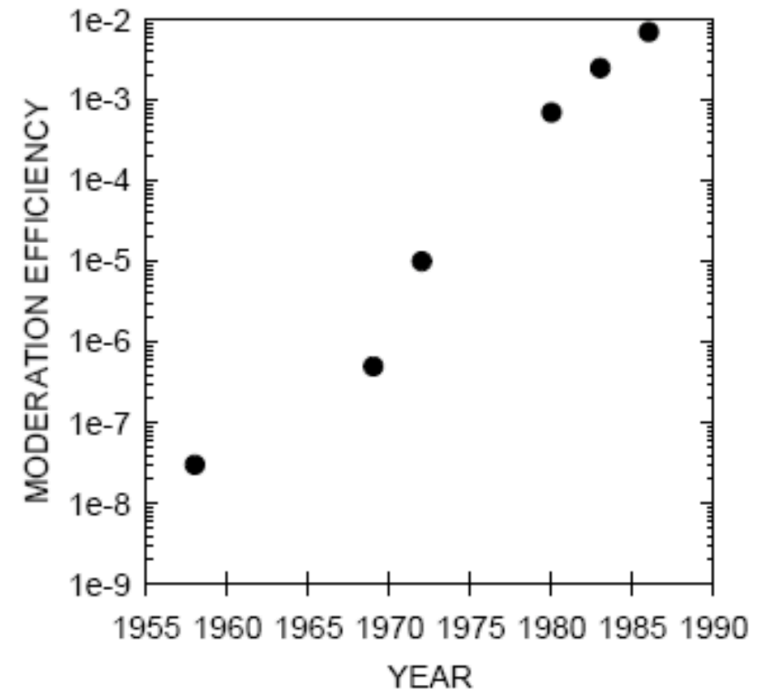
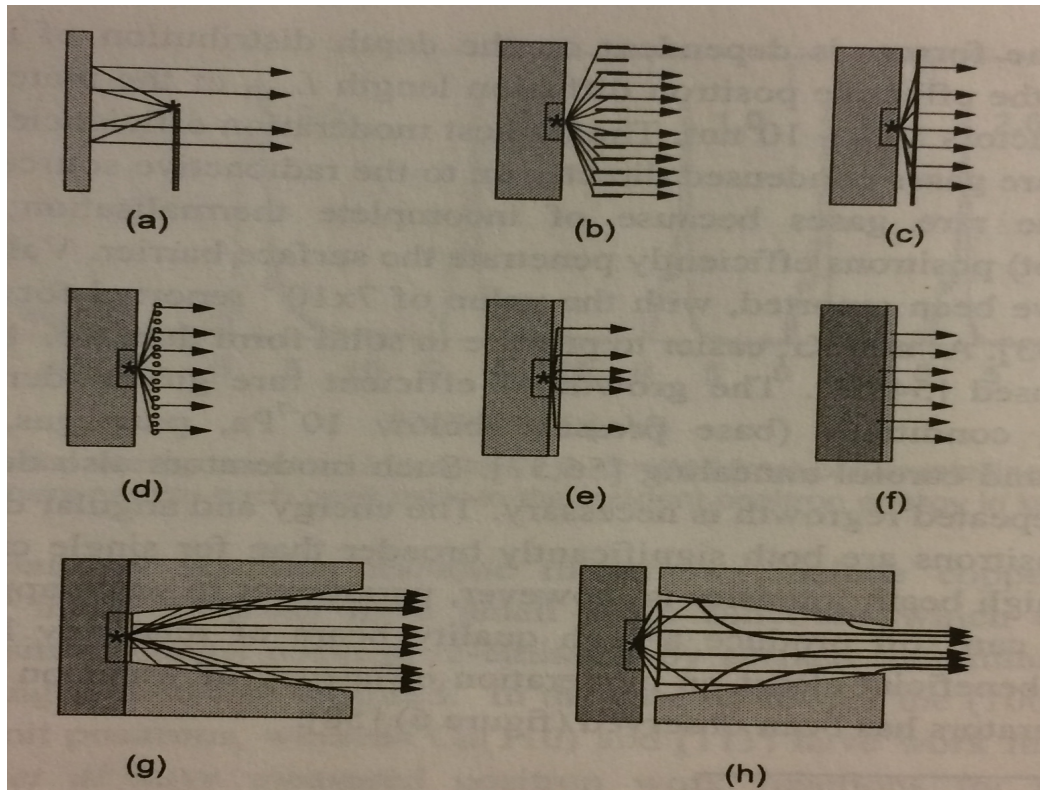
- inelastic collisions w/ core electrons
- plasmons (optical)  $\sim 10$  V
- phonons (acoustic)  $\sim 1$  V

Their fate is varied

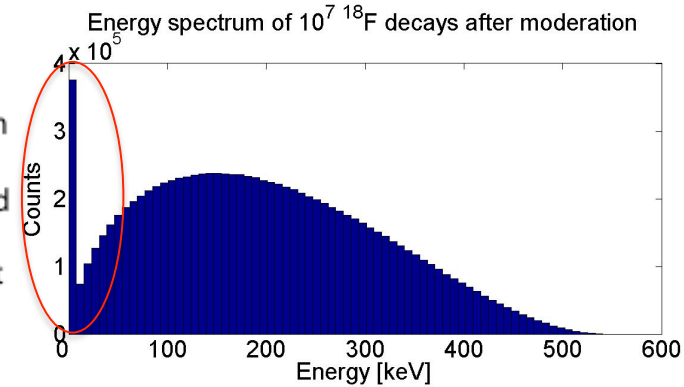
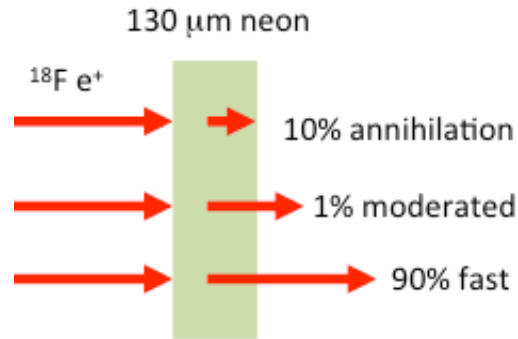
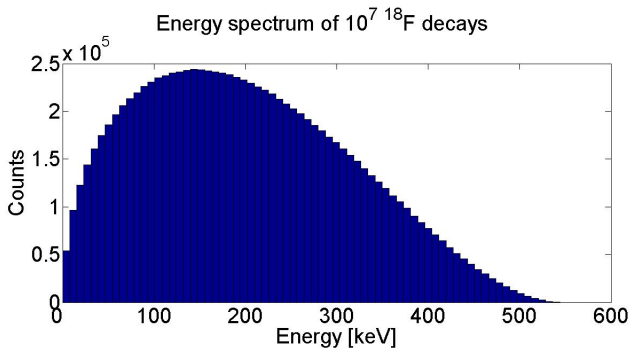
- Most annihilate in bulk
- Some capture at surface and annihilate
- Some pick up  $e^-$  and leave as Ps
- **And some remit !!!!**

# Types of Moderators and Configurations

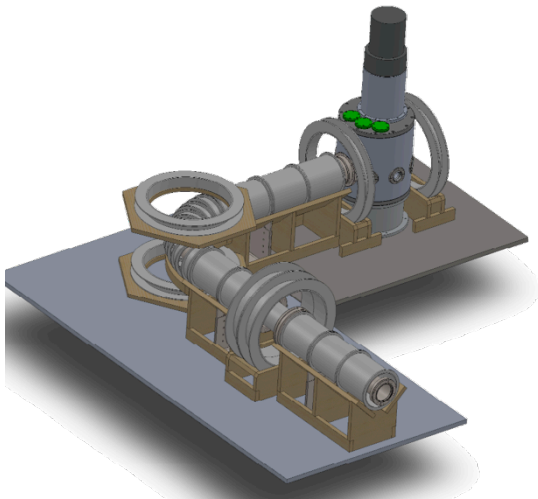
- Moderators based on a negative work-function for positrons.
- Thermalized positrons exit with work-function energy e.g. 2-3 V from W(110)/W(100)
- Rare gas moderators (e.g Ne, Kr, Ar) limit thermalization so “hot positrons” w/ ~tens of Volts have a greater diffusion length and thus higher escape probability ~1%



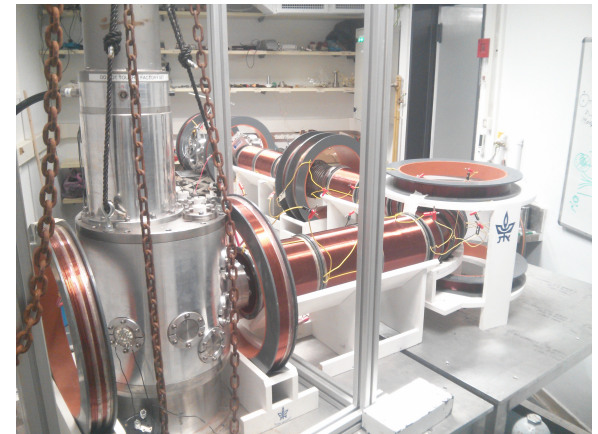
# $\beta^+$ beam based on $^{18}\text{F}$ (30eV - 30keV)



- A radioactive source ( $^{18}\text{F}$ ) is moderated with frozen neon to 2 eV +/- 1 eV
- Positrons DC accelerated to 30eV-30keV energy selected produce intense ( $10^6$  e $^+$ /s) mono-energetic beam



Slow POsitrion faciLiTy (SPOT)  
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# $\beta^+$ beam based on $^{22}\text{Na}$ (0.5 - 6.5 MV Pelletron)

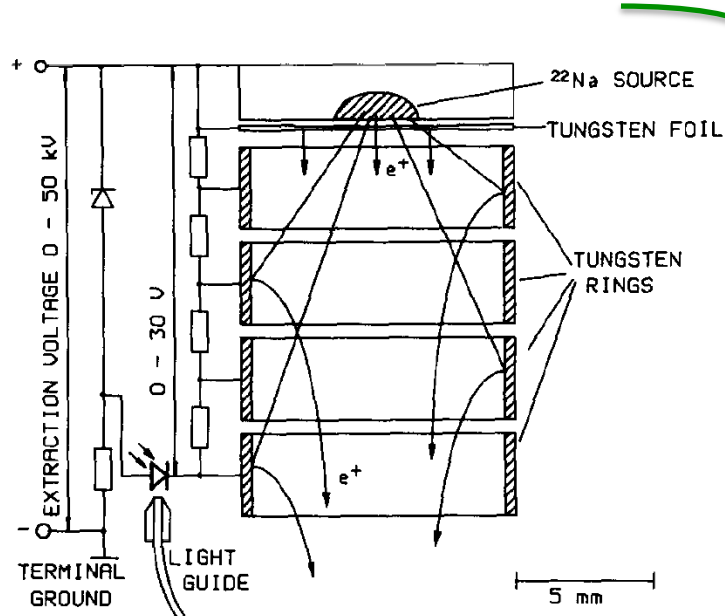


Fig. 1. Schematic of the slow-positron source with tungsten moderators.

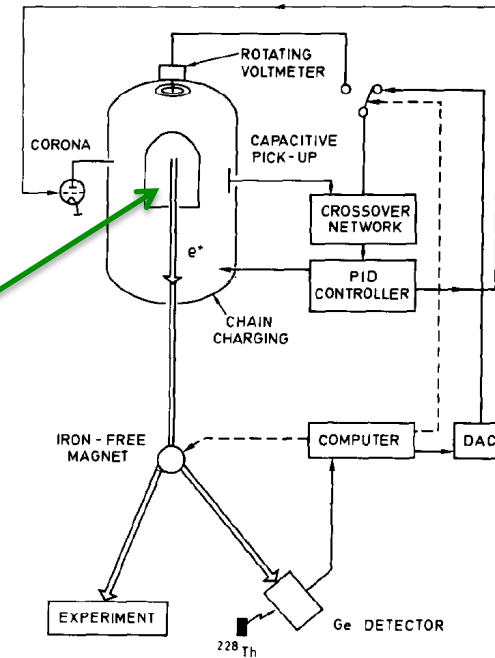


Fig. 3. Block diagram of the circuit used for the stabilization and calibration of the positron energy. The positron beam is periodically switched onto a windowless Ge detector for absolute energy measurement.

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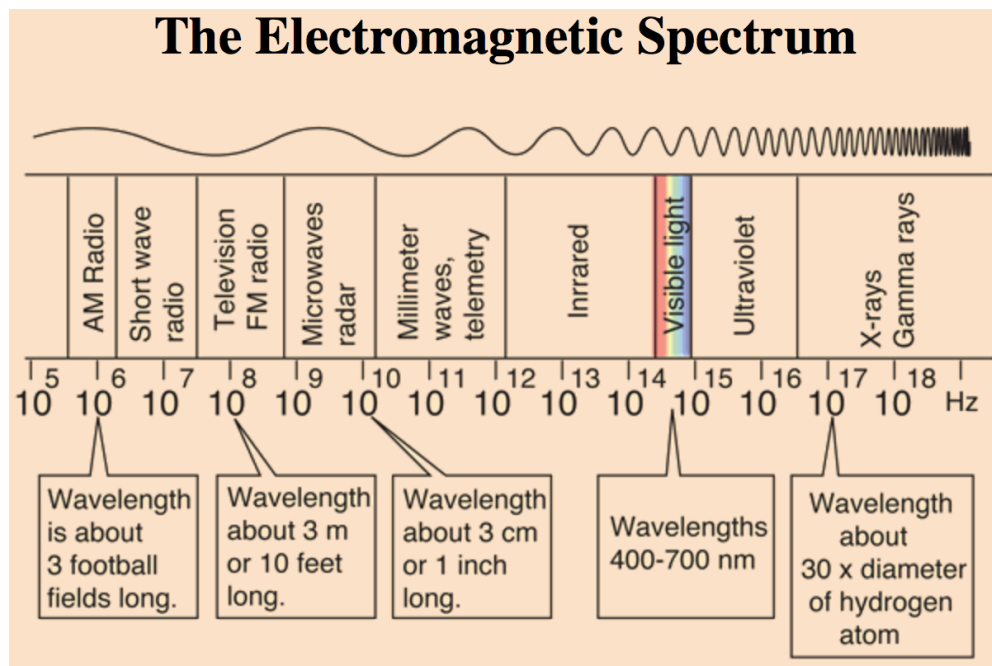
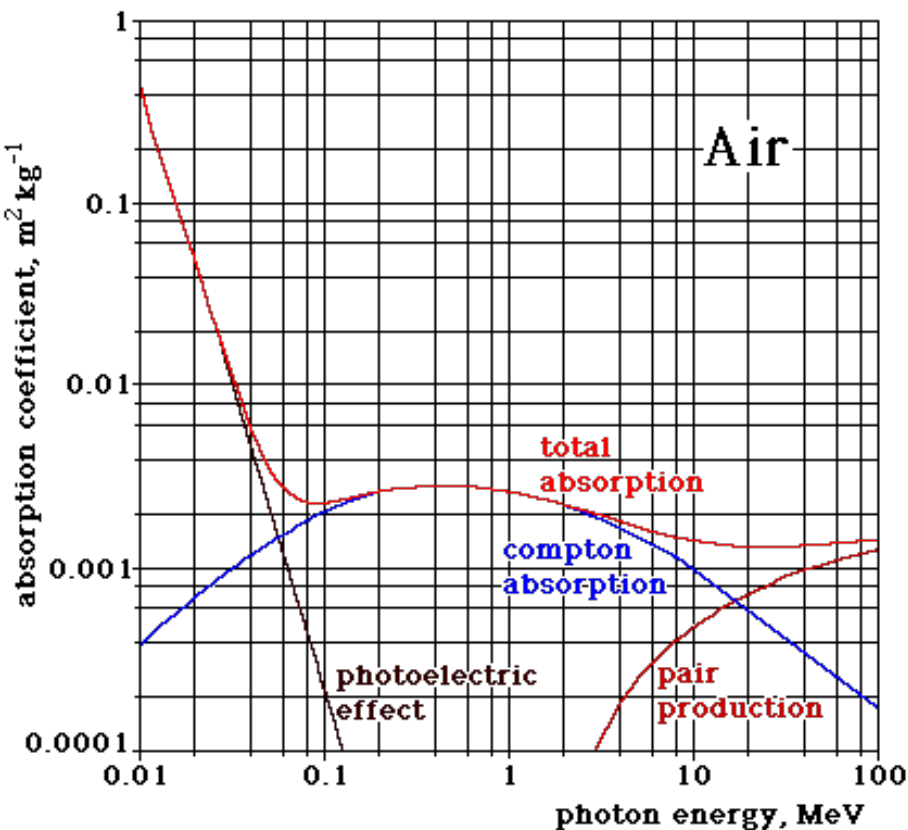
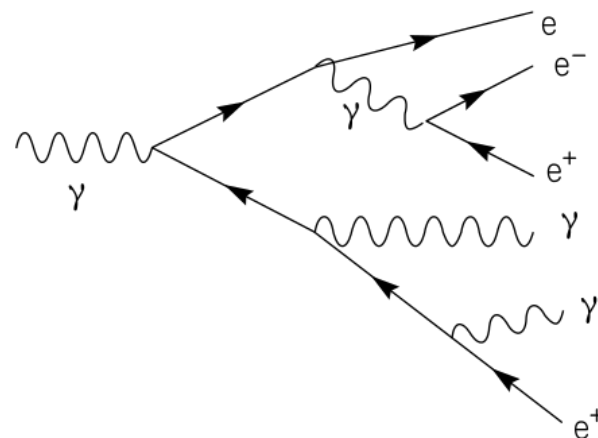
$^{22}\text{Na}$  source ( $6 \times 10^8$  Bq) moderated by tungsten foil (thickness 3-6 micron) and tungsten rings (height X diameter = 3.3 mm X 10 mm) in a combined transmission-reflection geometry

- **Intensity  $6 \times 10^4$  e+/s at target**
- **Pelletron DC acceleration 0.5 - 6.5 MeV**
- **Energy stability  $\Delta E/E < 10^{-4}$**

# Positron Production by Electromagnetic Showers

An **electromagnetic shower** is generated by high energy electrons, positrons or photons in matter

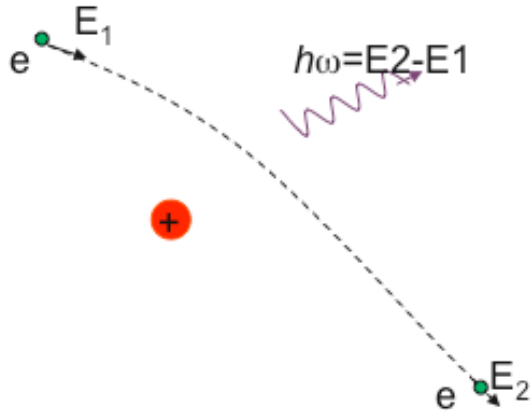
- $e^+$  and  $e^-$  primarily emit photons (bremsstrahlung)
- Photons  $>$   $\sim$ few MeV dominate pair production



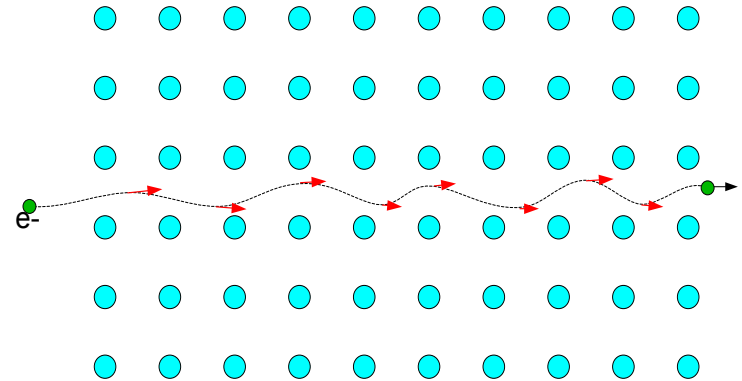


# Using **Electrons** to Generate Gamma Shower

## Bremsstrahlung ( $E_\gamma < E_{\text{beam}}$ )

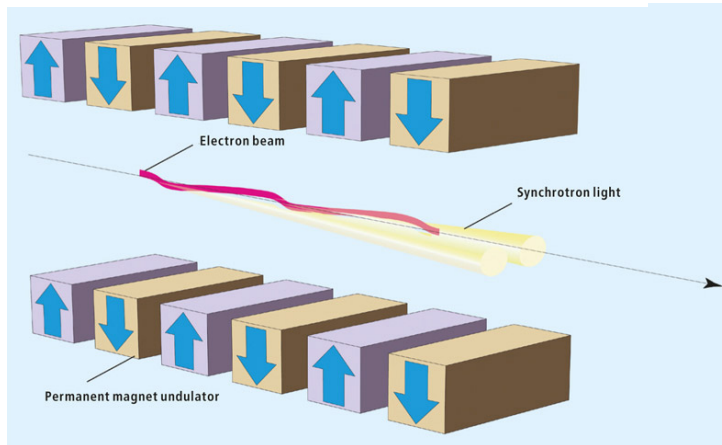


## Coherent Bremsstrahlung (Yield $\sim 20-40$ greater)

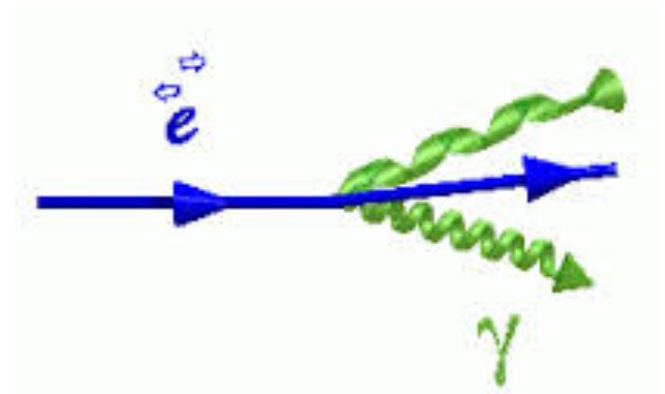


## Undulator

$$E_\gamma \cong 23.7 \text{ MeV} \frac{(E_e/50 \text{ GeV})^2}{(\lambda_u/1 \text{ mm})(1 + K^2)}$$



## Inverse Compton Scattering ( $E_\gamma \sim E_{\text{beam}}^2 * \nu$ )

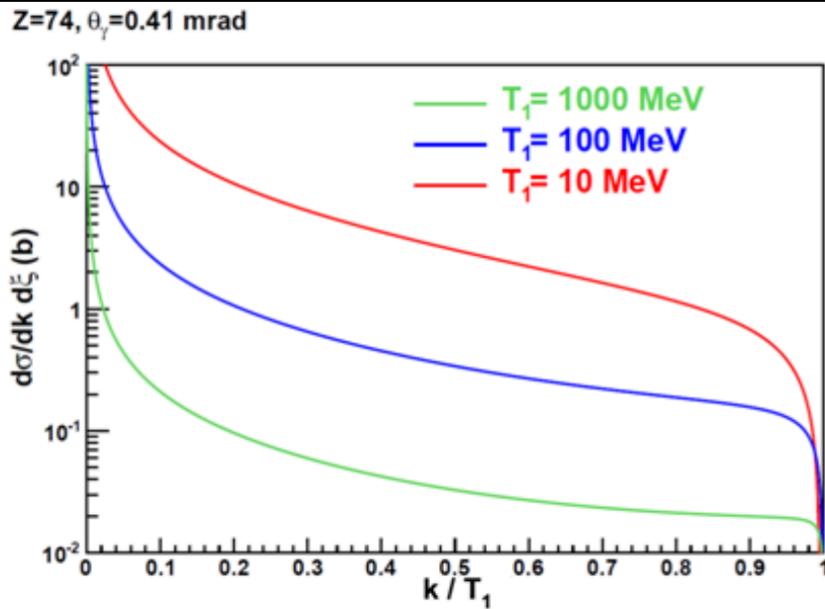


# Electromagnetic Shower Cross Sections

## Bremsstrahlung

- Photon energy  $k$  up to electron energy  $T_1$
- Cross section decreases as  $1/k$

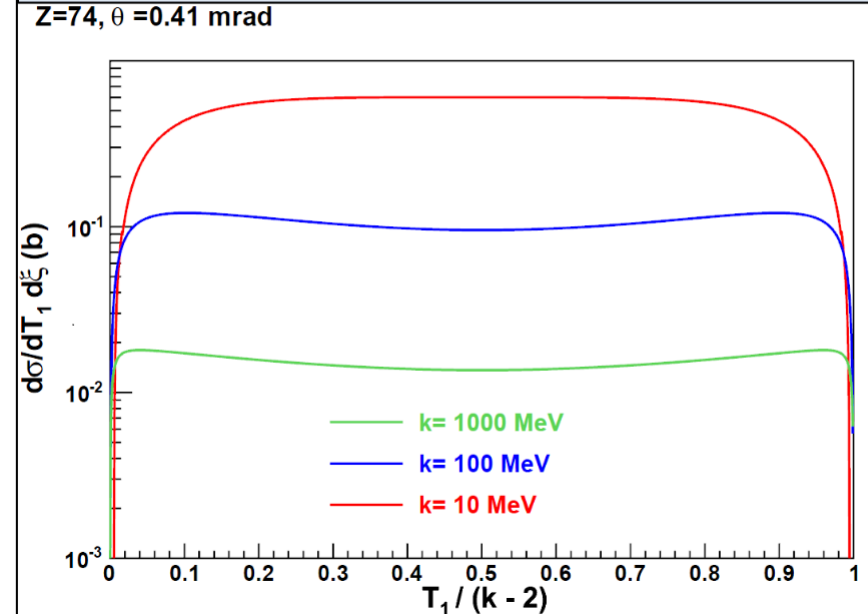
### Cross section



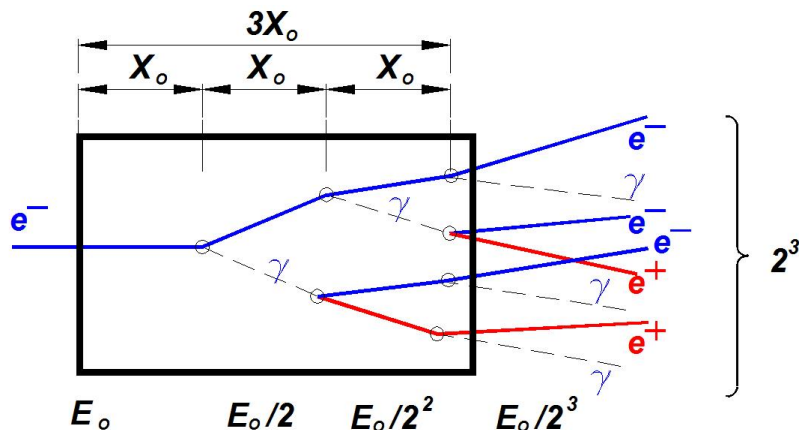
## Pair Production

- Positron energy  $T_1$  to photon energy  $k-2mc^2$
- Cross section essentially energy independent

### Cross section



# Yield from an Electromagnetic Shower



## Positron yield depends on...

- Incident power (**energy** x **intensity**)
- Target material (radiation length)

## Radiation length

- Mean electron energy loss (1/e)
- 7/9 mean path for pair production

$$X_0^{-1} \cong 4r_0^2 \alpha \frac{N_A}{A} Z(Z+1) \ln\left(\frac{183}{Z^{1/3}}\right) [\text{cm}^2 / \text{g}]$$

Element	C	Al	Ti	Fe	Cu	W
Z	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>74</b>
A	12	27	47.9	55.8	63.5	183.8
$E_c$ (MeV)	84.2	42.8	26.2	22.4	20.2	8.1
$X_0$ (g/cm <sup>2</sup> )	<b>43.3</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>13.84</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6.8</b>
L (cm)	<b>19.2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3.58</b>	<b>1.75</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>0.35</b>

# Accelerator Positron Sources

## Previous

- SLAC – Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (US)
- HERA – Hadron Electron Ring Accelerator (Germany)
- CESR – Cornell Electron Storage Ring (US)

## Present

- BELLE/KEK – National Laboratory for High Energy Physics (Japan)
- VEPP – Budker Institute of Nuclear Physics (Russia)
- BEPCII – Beijing Electron Positron Collider (China)

## Proposed

- ILC - International Linear Collider

Facilities	Driving e <sup>-</sup> Beam				e <sup>+</sup> Source		Yield N(e <sup>+</sup> )	$\varepsilon(e^+)$ (mm·mrad)
	E (GeV)	N(e <sup>-</sup> )	$\omega$ (Hz)	Size(mm)	Target (mm)	Matching		
SLAC	33	$4 \times 10^{10}$	120	2.5	W-Ta (24)	AMD	$2 \times 10^{12}$	25 ( at 200 MeV)
BEPCII	0.24	$4.5 \times 10^{18}$	50	1-3	W (8 mm)	AMD	$10^{16}$	1.6 (1.89 GeV)
CESR	0.2	$2 \times 10^{11}$	50	2.5	W-Re	QWT	$10^{10}$	-
KEK [50]	0.25	$6 \times 10^{19}$	-	-	Ta	QWT	$6 \times 10^{17}$	2 (at 1 GeV)
VEPP4	0.27	$1.6 \times 10^{11}$	1	-	W	AMD	$5 \times 10^8$	-
ILC	130	$2.8 \times 10^{13}$	5	0.75	W76Re24	AMD	$10^{14}$	-

# Managing Beam Power

High power deposition in **conversion target** and surrounding materials

## Details depends upon

- Conversion efficiency (number of positrons per incident electron or photon)
- Ultimate positron intensity required
- Target material
- Time structure

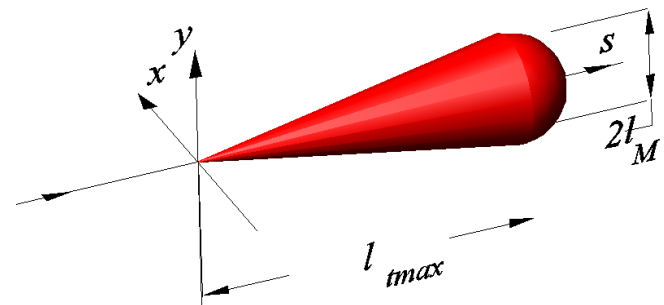
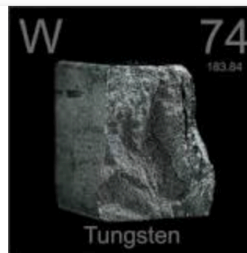
It's not uncommon to require **100's of kW** of beam power.

Consider 20 kW deposited in  $1X_0$  of tungsten (W) :

$$\Delta T \cong \frac{E_{tot}}{mC_p} \cong \frac{E_{tot}}{\rho \frac{\pi}{3} l_{tmax} l_M^2 C_p} \cong 3000 \text{ deg C}$$

6,191°F (3,422°C)

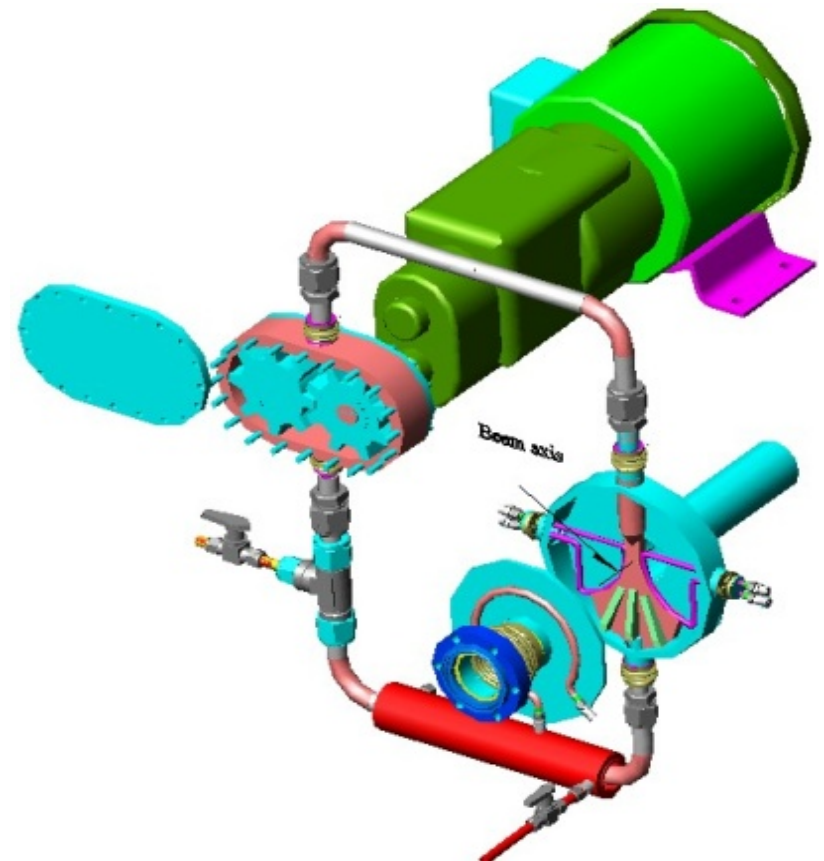
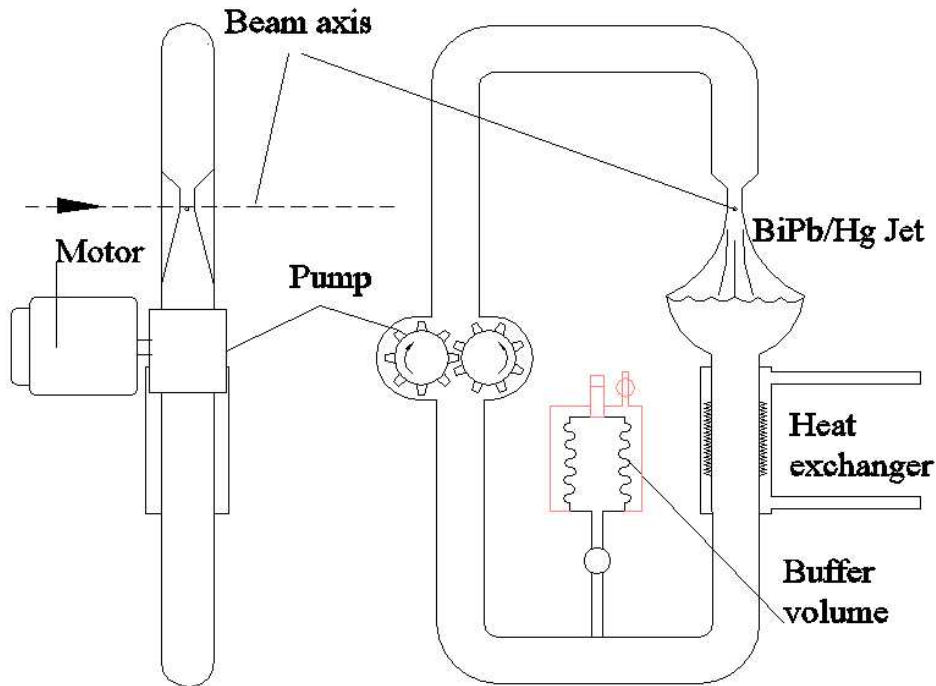
Tungsten, Melting point



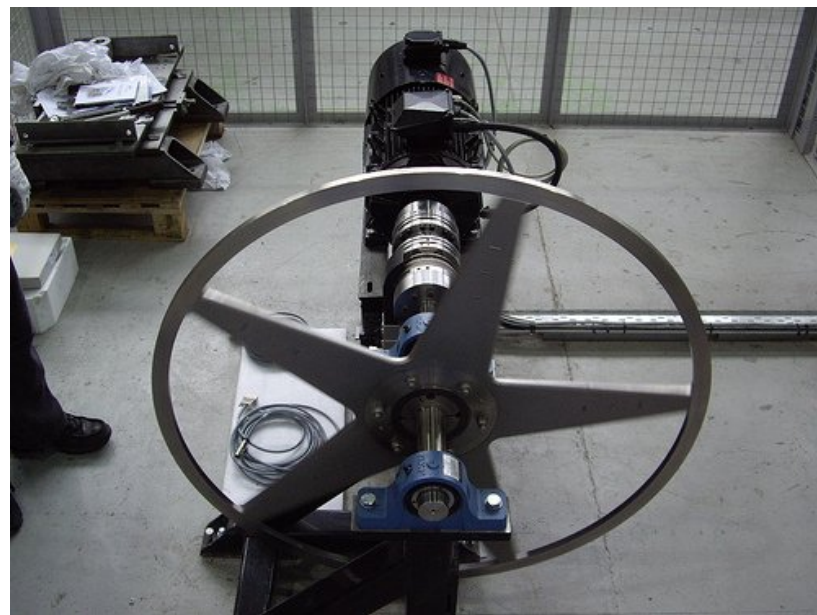
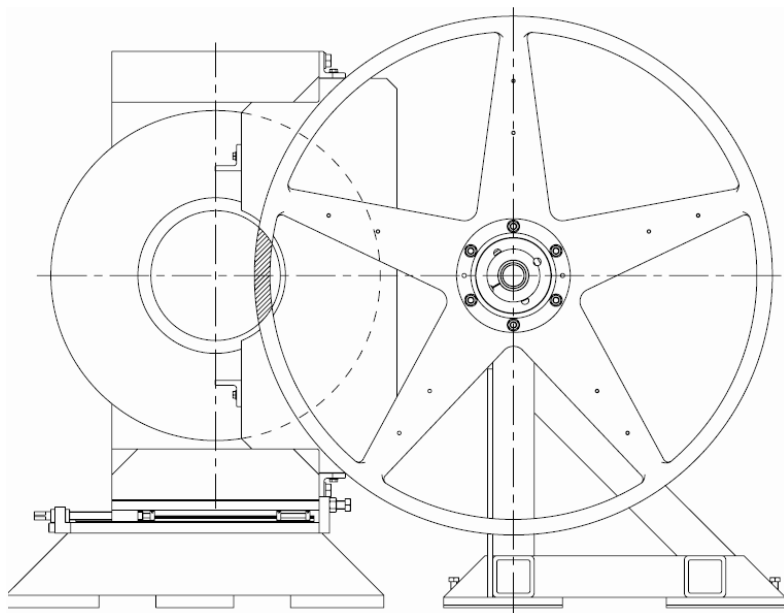
# High Power Alternative: High-Z Liquid Jet Target

Jet or stream for rapid mass transfer

- Heat exchangers
- High boiling point metals
  - Bismuth-Lead (BiPb)  $\sim 1670$  °C
  - Mercury (Hg)  $\sim 356$  °C



# High Power Alternative: Rapidly Rotating Cooled Target



## ILC target design schematic and prototype

- 1 m diameter Ti-alloy wheel rotating at 2000 rpm
- Target is immersed in magnet field (positron collection)
- **Strong eddy-currents are a challenge**
- 10 kW power deposition @ 130 kW photons

# Manage Radioactivity

R.Montalbetti, L.Katz, J. Goldemberg, “*Photoneutron Cross Sections*”, Phys.Rev. **91**, 659 (1953).

Elements →	C	W	Cu	Al	Fe	Pb	U
$E_{\gamma th} (\gamma, n) \text{ MeV}$	18.72 <sup>1</sup>	<b>6.19</b>	9.91	13.03	11.21	6.73	6.04

<sup>1</sup>Natural Graphite contains 1.1% of C<sup>18</sup> which has a threshold of 4.9 MeV

Neutron dose for electron beam carrying power  $P[kW]$  at distance  $R[m]$

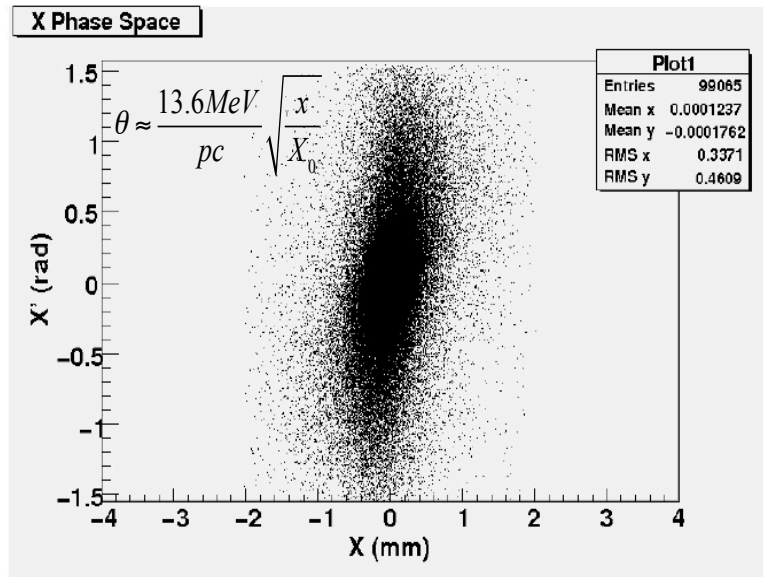
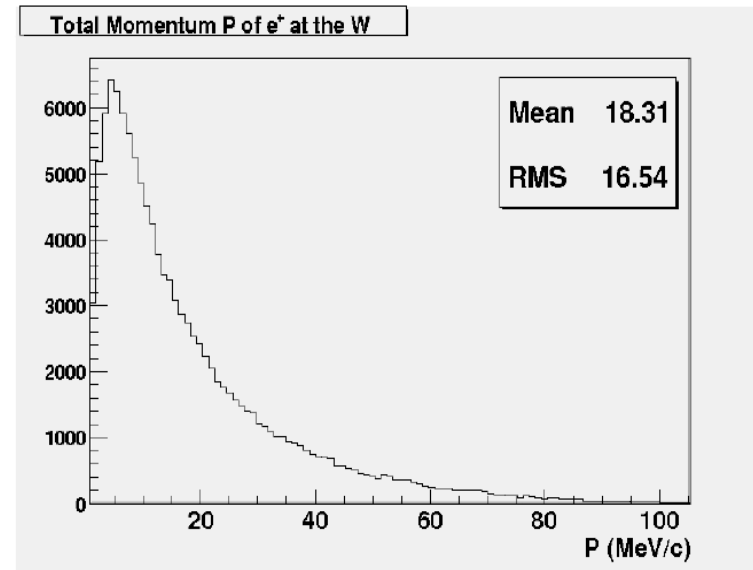
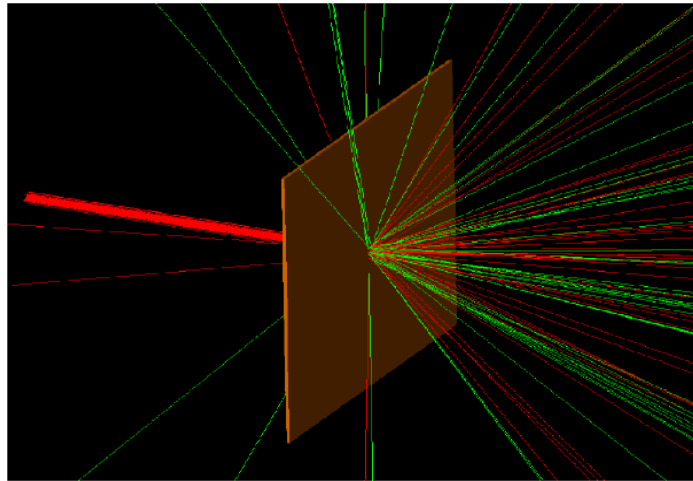
$$\dot{D}(\text{rem} / \text{hour}) \cong 93 \cdot Z^{0.73} \frac{P[kW]}{R[m]^2}$$

W.P.Swanson, “*Calculation of Neutron Yields Released by Electrons Incident on Selected Materials*”, Health Physics, Vol.35, pp.353-367, 1978.

*Neutron shielding and radiological design is integral to overall design*



# Manage Large Angular & Momentum Distribution



Incident e<sup>-</sup> Beam Properties on a 3mm W:  
 Power = 120MeV×10mA = 1.2 MW

$$\epsilon = 10^{-8} \text{ m}\cdot\text{rad}$$

Emerging e<sup>+</sup> Properties:

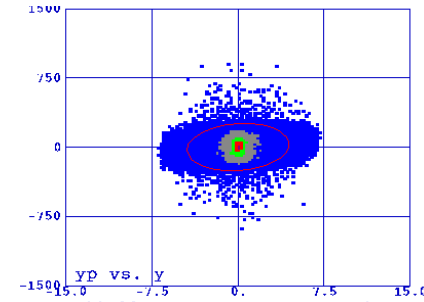
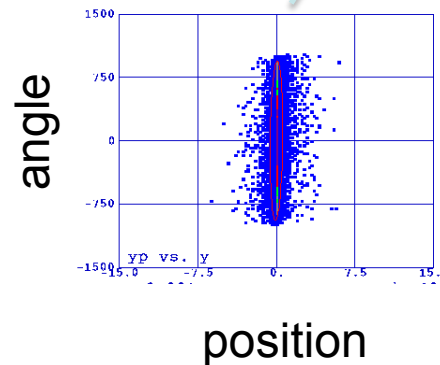
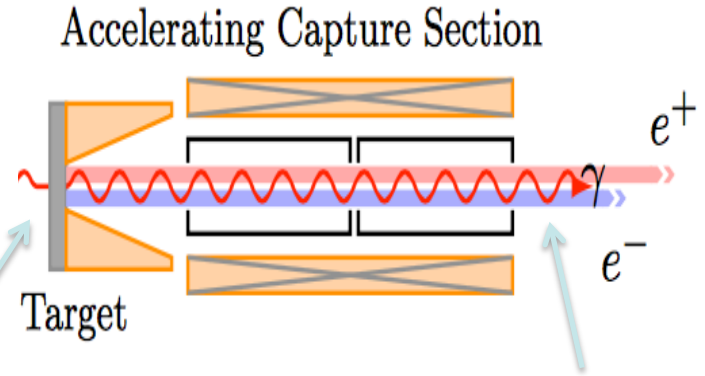
$$\epsilon = 0.3 \text{ mm} \times 460 \text{ mrad} \sim 14000 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}\cdot\text{rad}$$

Yield : 0.12 e<sup>+</sup> per e<sup>-</sup>

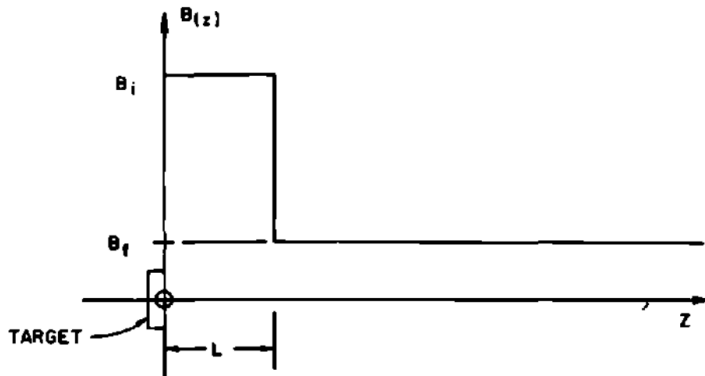
# Taming the Positrons

**High field solenoid** transforms large divergence small radius at radiator to smaller divergence and larger radius

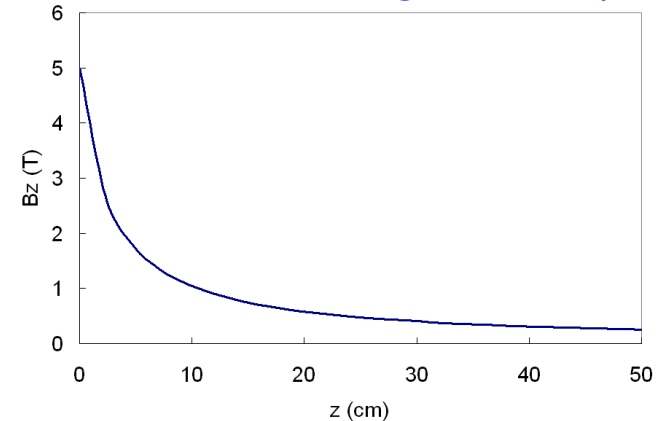
**Low field solenoid** maintains beam envelope through nearby acceleration sections



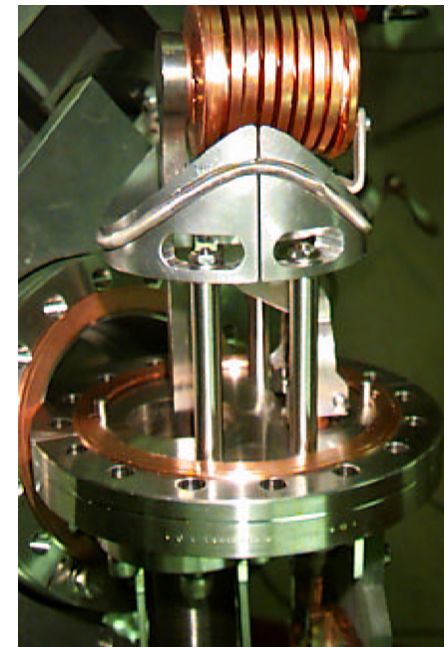
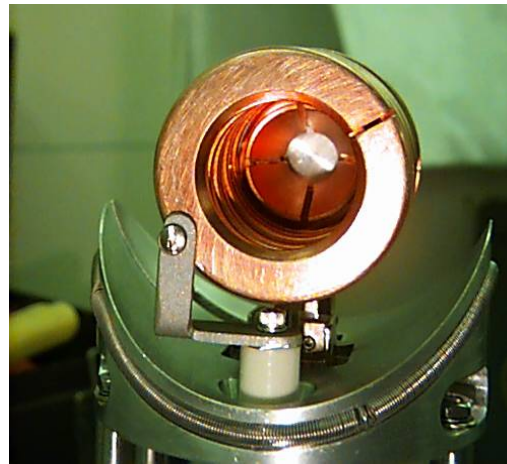
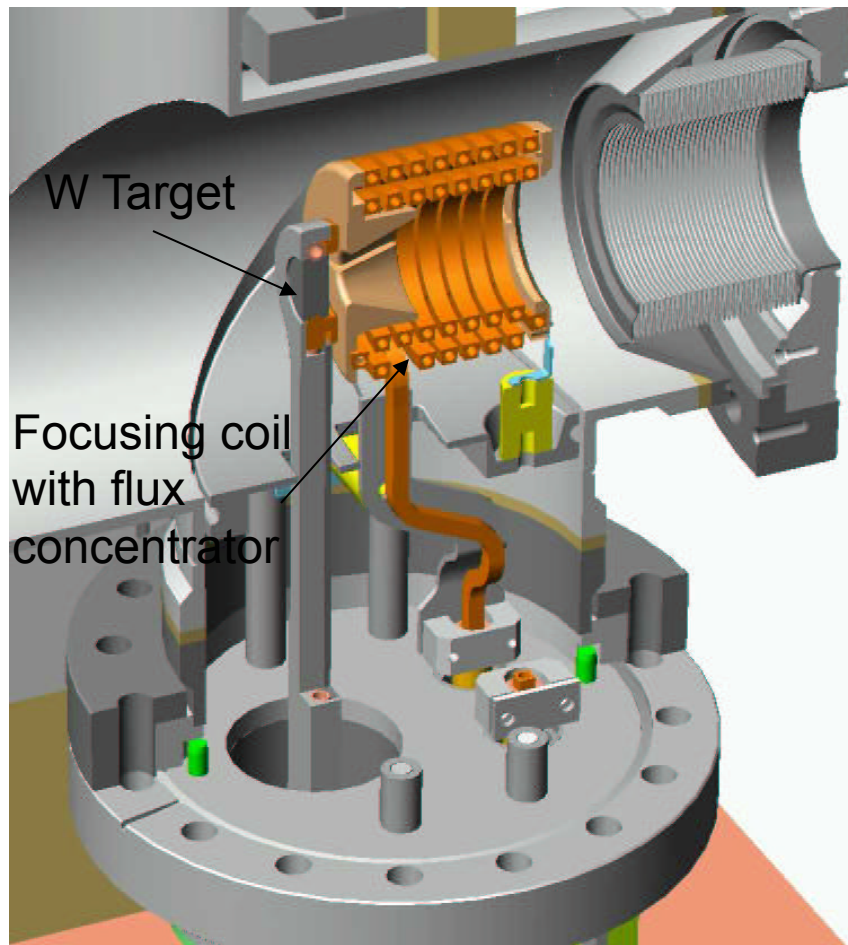
## Quarter Wave Transformer (QWT)



## Adiabatic Matching Device (AMD)



# Example: Cornell Positron Source (QWT)



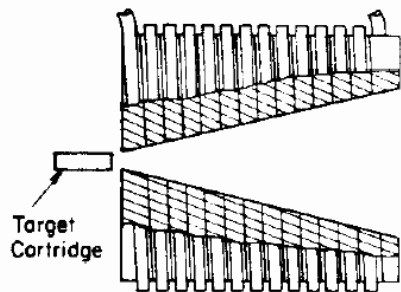
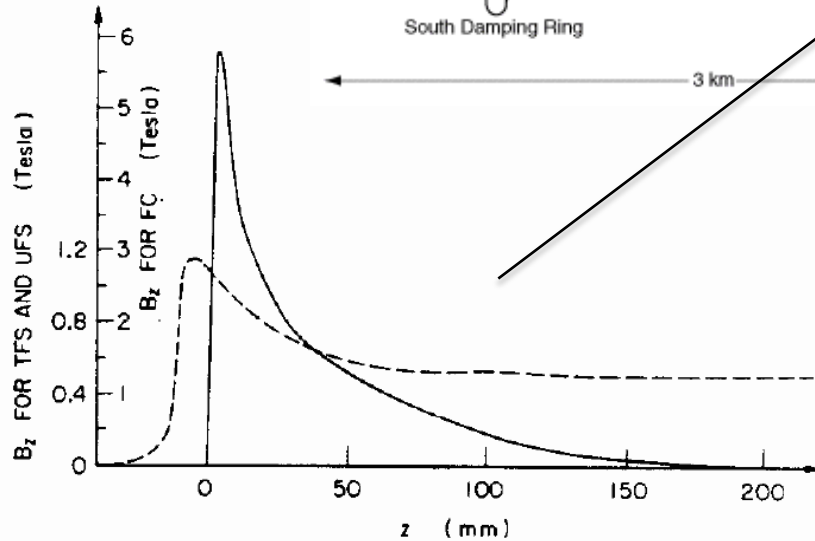
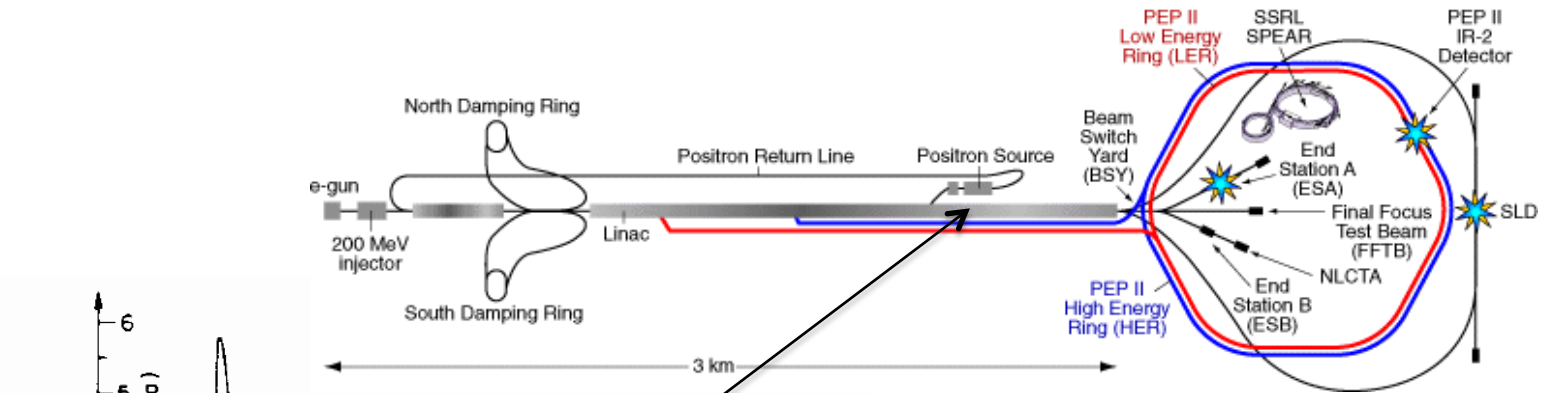
This short-focusing lens followed by RF structure immersed in solenoid

Positron rate  $\sim 10^{11}$  /sec at 50 Hz operation at  $\sim 200$  MeV

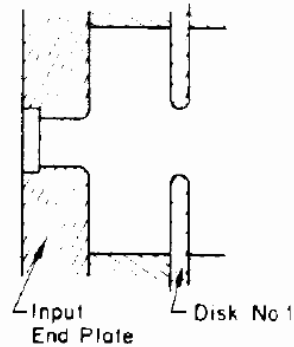
Conversion efficiency  $\sim 2.5\%$ , DC power consumption  $\sim 2.5$  kW

J. Barley, V. Medjidzade, A. Mikhailichenko, "New Positron Source for CESR", CBN-01-19, Oct 2001. 16pp.

# Example: Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (AMD)



FLUX CONCENTRATOR



CAPTURE SECTION

## Driving electron beam

Energy (GeV)	33.0
Spot Size $1\sigma$ (mm)	0.6
Intensity	$5 \times 10^{10}$ / pulse
Pulse Energy (Joule/pulse)	264.0
Pulse Rate (Hz)	120-180
Beam Power (kW)	47.0

## Target

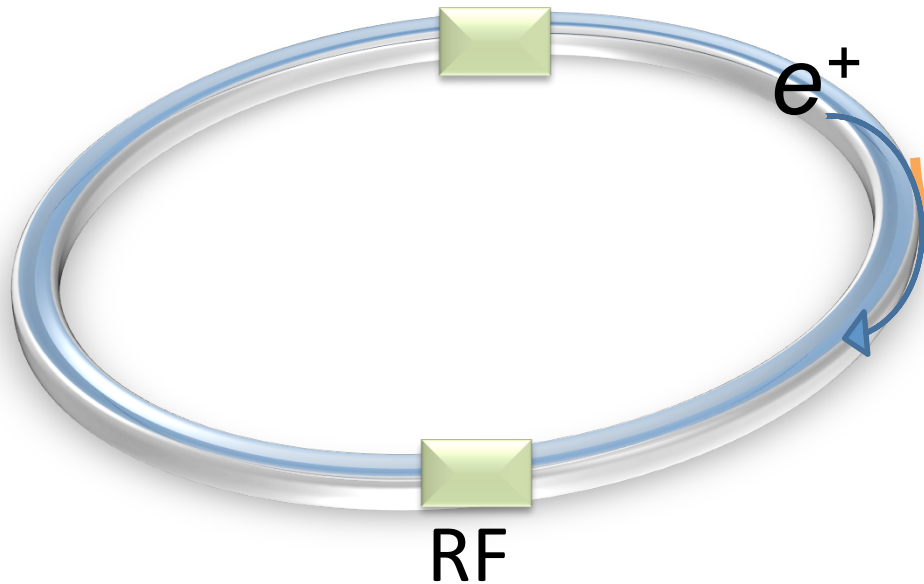
Material	90% Ta - 10% W and WRe
Length (mm)	20 (or 6 rad. length)
Deposited Energy (Joule/pulse)	53.0
Deposited Power (kW)	9.0

## Positron beam

Capture Energy (MeV)	5 - 20
Spot Size (mm) $1\sigma$	2.0
Normalized Emittance (m-rad)	$10^{-2}$ at 200 MeV
Yield ( $e^+/e^-$ )	2.5

# More Taming: Damping Ring to Reduce Emittance

$$\varepsilon(t) = \varepsilon_{\text{inj}} e^{-2t/\tau} + \varepsilon_{\text{equ}} (1 - e^{-2t/\tau})$$



$$P \propto \frac{E^4}{\rho^2}$$

$P$  : Radiated power  
 $E$  : Energy of the particle  
 $\rho$  : Bending radius

2) RF cavities **restore energy** to off-momentum particles undergoing synchrotron oscillations

1) Synchrotron radiation “steals” momentum from **all** components

SLAC  $e^+$  (1.2 GeV,  $\rho=5.6\text{m}$ ) damping time  $\sim$  12 milliseconds

Lower energy increases damping time to seconds!

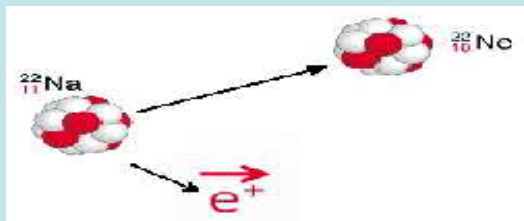
**“long” damping times are not suited for CW operation**



# What about Polarization ?

## Polarized $\beta^+$ Decay

L.A. Page & M. Heinberg. Phys. Rev. 106(6):1220-1224 (1957)

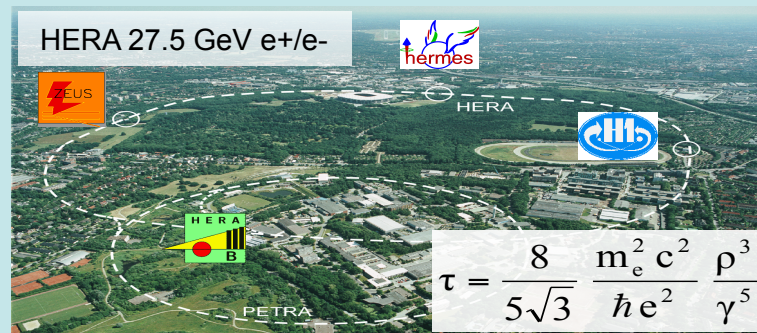


Polarized due to parity non-conservation in the weak interaction

$$P(e^+) \sim 40 \%$$

## Sokolov-Ternov Effect

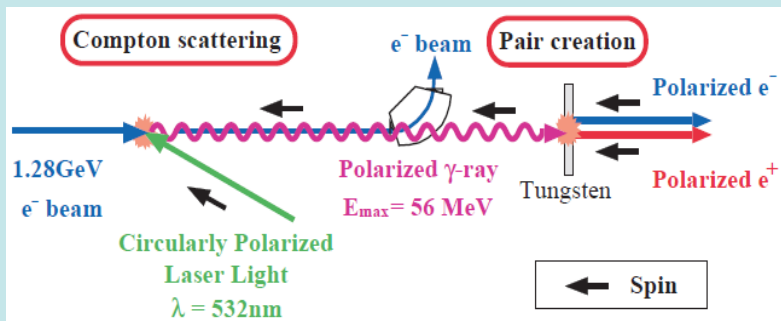
D. Barber, AIP Conf. Proc. 588, 338 (2001)



$$P(e^+) \sim 70 \%$$

## Inverse Compton Backscattering (KEK)

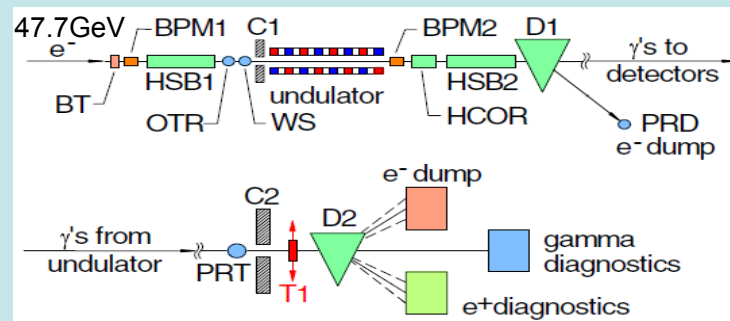
T. Omori et al, PRL 96 (2006) 114801



$$P(e^+) = 73 \pm 15_{(stat)} \pm 19_{(syst)} \%$$

## Helical Undulator (SLAC E166)

G. Alexander et al, PRL 100 (2008) 210801

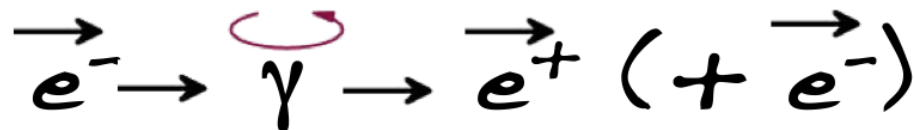


$$P(e^+) = 80 \pm 7_{(stat)} \pm 9_{(syst)} \%$$

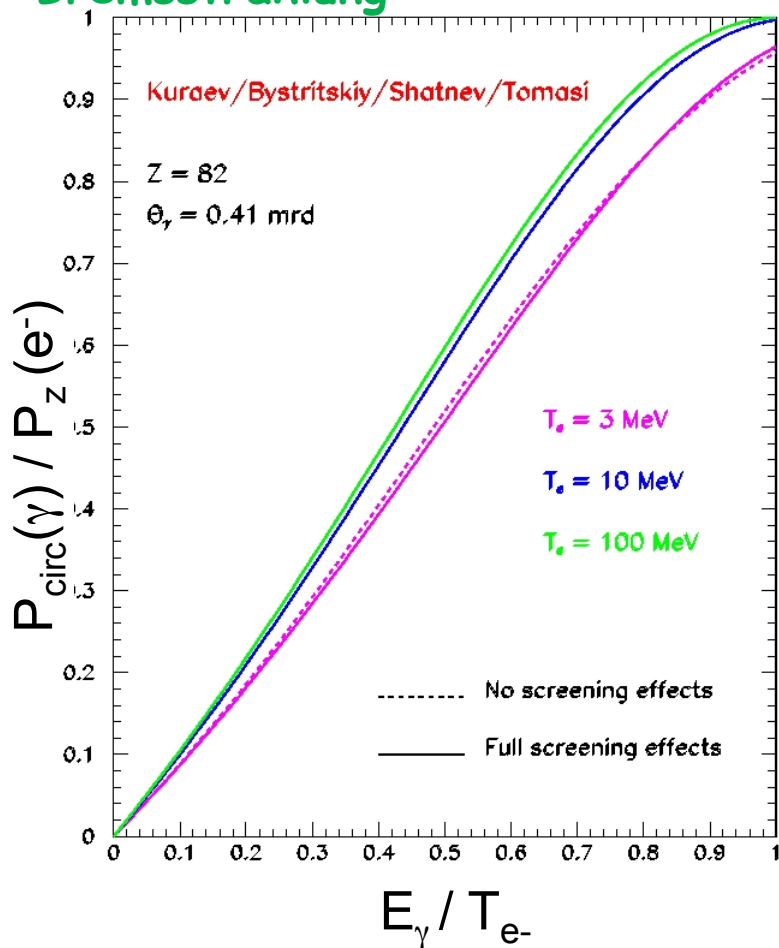
# New Method : Uses Spin Polarized Electron Beam

E.G. Bessonov, A.A. Mikhailichenko, EPAC (1996)

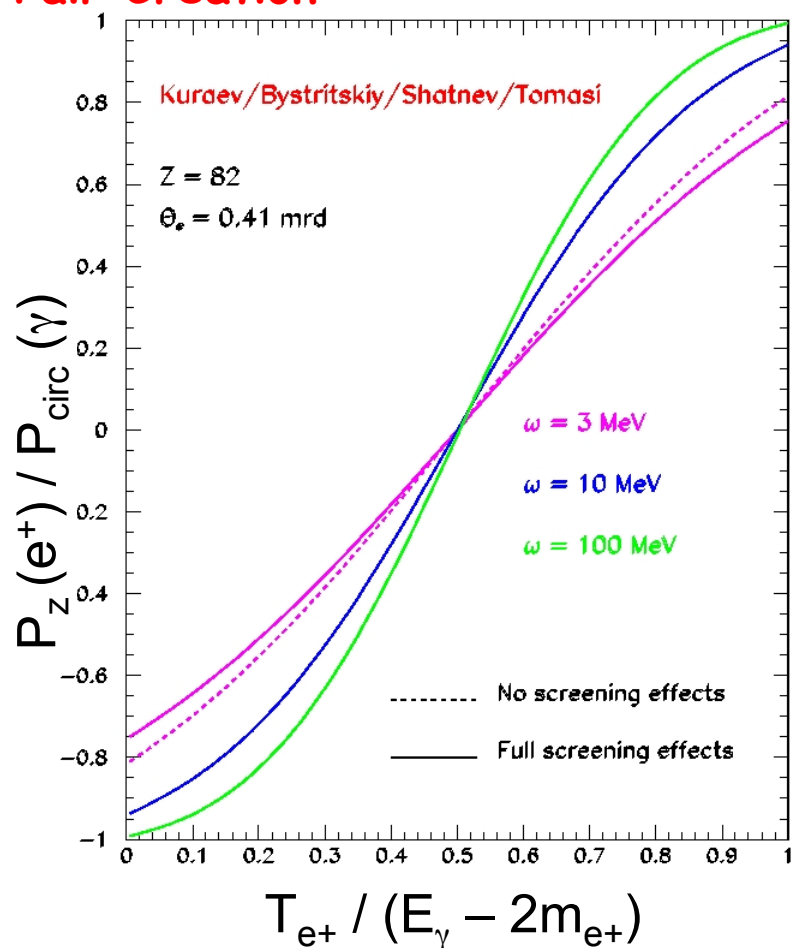
A.P. Potylitsin, NIM A398 (1997) 395



## Bremsstrahlung



## Pair Creation



# Polarized Electrons for Polarized Positrons

## A Proof-of-Principle Experiment

P. Aderley<sup>1</sup>, **A. Adeyemi**<sup>4</sup>, P. Aguilera<sup>1</sup>, M. Ali, H. Areti<sup>1</sup>, M. Baylac<sup>2</sup>, J. Benesch<sup>1</sup>, G. Bosson<sup>2</sup>, B. Cade<sup>1</sup>, A. Camsonne<sup>1</sup>, L. Cardman<sup>1</sup>, J. Clark<sup>1</sup>, P. Cole<sup>5</sup>, S. Covert<sup>1</sup>, C. Cuevas<sup>1</sup>, O. Dadoun<sup>3</sup>, D. Dale<sup>5</sup>, **J. Dumas**<sup>1,2</sup>, **E. Fanchini**<sup>2</sup>, T. Forest<sup>5</sup>, **E. Forman**<sup>1</sup>, A. Freyberger<sup>1</sup>, E. Froidefond<sup>2</sup>, **S. Golge**<sup>6</sup>, **J. Grames**<sup>1</sup>, P. Guève<sup>4</sup>, J. Hansknecht<sup>1</sup>, P. Harrell<sup>1</sup>, J. Hoskins<sup>8</sup>, C. Hyde<sup>7</sup>, R. Kazimi<sup>1</sup>, Y. Kim<sup>1,5</sup>, D. Machie<sup>1</sup>, K. Mahoney<sup>1</sup>, R. Mammei<sup>1</sup>, M. Marton<sup>2</sup>, J. McCarter<sup>9</sup>, M. McCaughan<sup>1</sup>, M. McHugh<sup>10</sup>, D. McNulty<sup>5</sup>, T. Michaelides<sup>1</sup>, R. Michaels<sup>1</sup>, C. Muñoz Camacho<sup>11</sup>, J.-F. Muraz<sup>2</sup>, K. Myers<sup>12</sup>, A. Opper<sup>10</sup>, M. Poelker<sup>1</sup>, J.-S. Réal<sup>2</sup>, L. Richardson<sup>1</sup>, S. Setiniyazi<sup>5</sup>, M. Stutzman<sup>1</sup>, R. Suleiman<sup>1</sup>, C. Tennant<sup>1</sup>, C.-Y. Tsai<sup>13</sup>, D. Turner<sup>1</sup>, A. Variola<sup>3</sup>, **E. Voutier**<sup>2</sup>, Y. Wang<sup>1</sup>, Y. Zhang<sup>12</sup>

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SLAC E-166 Collaboration  
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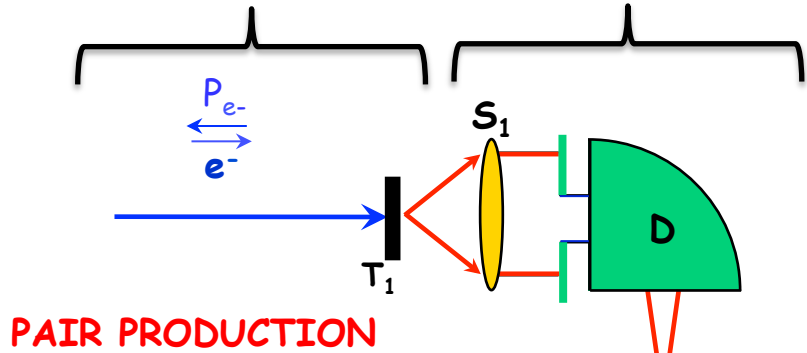


# PEPPo Concept

J. Dumas, Ph.D. Dissertation, University Joseph Fourier, Grenoble (2010)

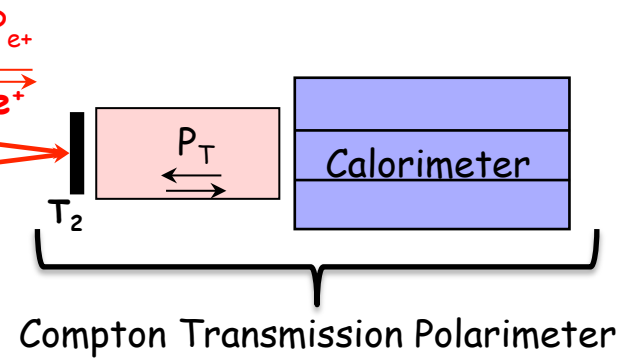
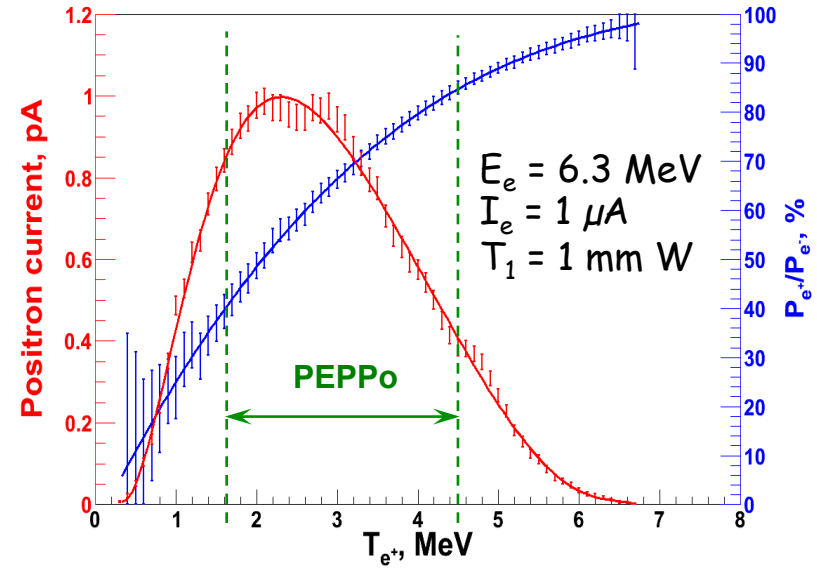
Polarized Electrons (<10 MeV) strike production target

Positron Transverse and Momentum Phase Space Selection



$\gamma$  produces pairs;  $P_\gamma$  transfers to  $e^+$  into longitudinal ( $P_{e^+}$ ) and transverse polarization averages to zero.

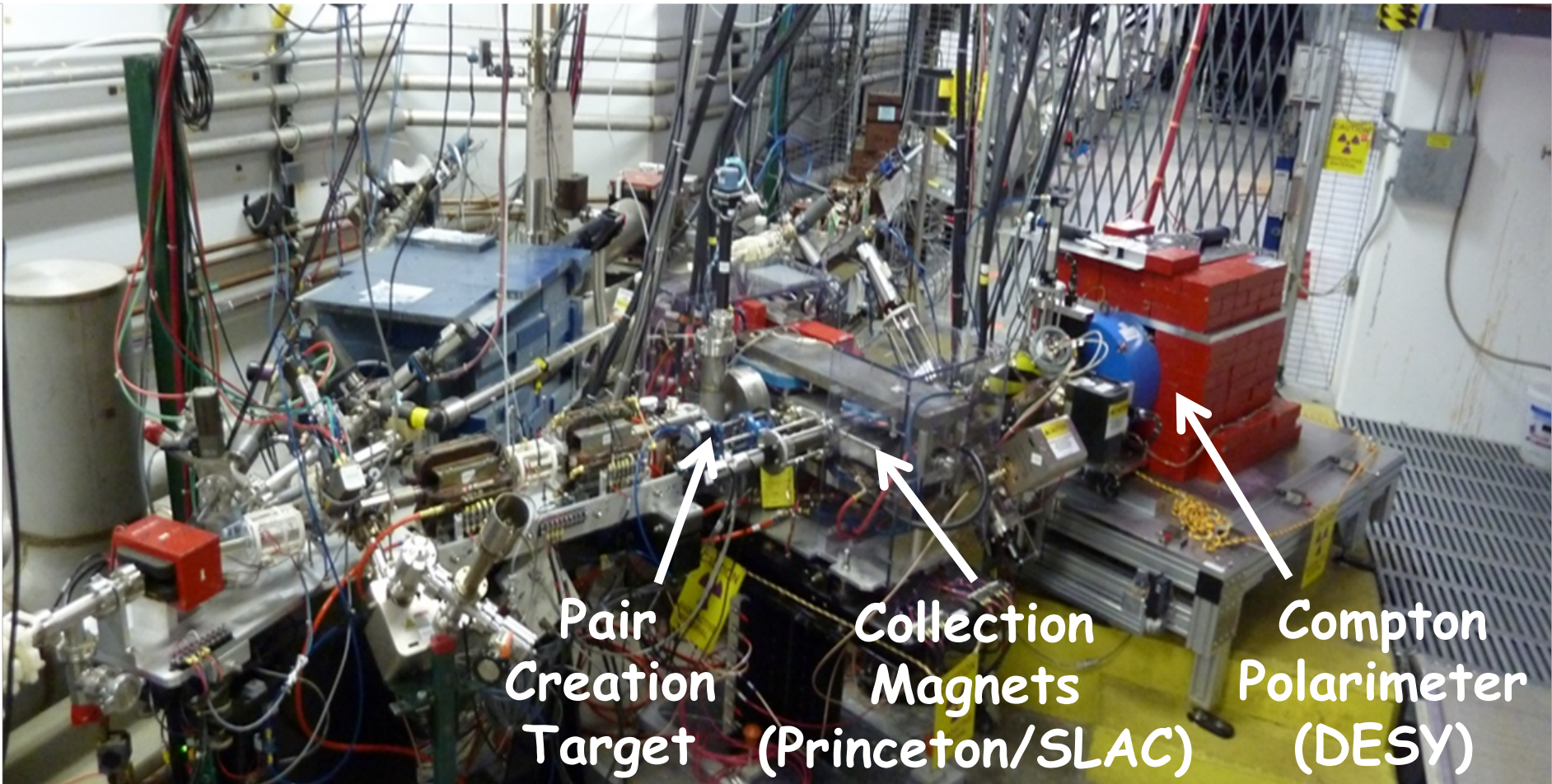
Target thickness=1 mm,  $\Delta\theta=\pm 7^\circ$  and  $\Delta p/p=\pm 5\%$  Geant4



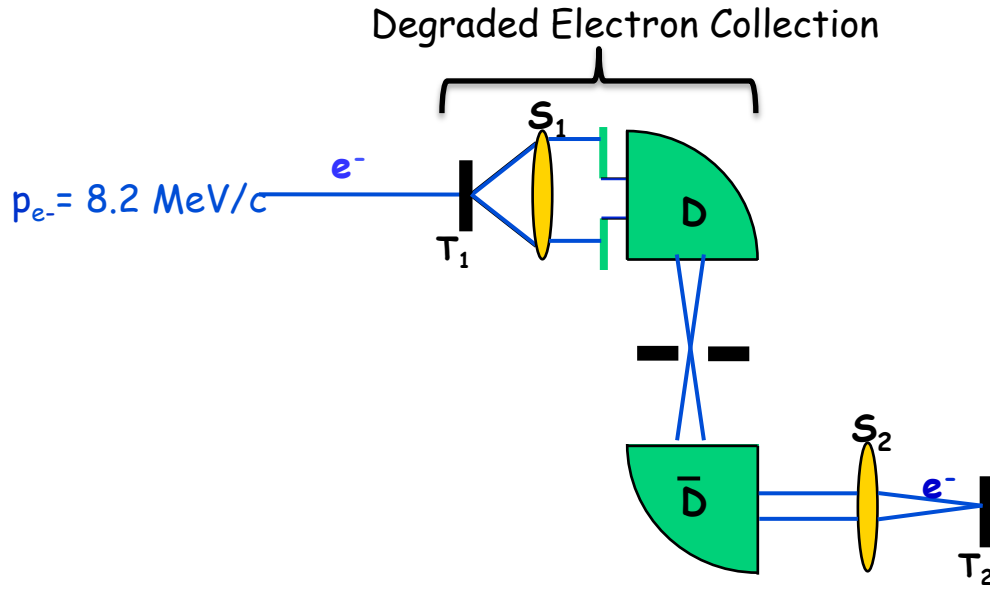
# PEPPo at the CEBAF Injector

PEPPo measured the polarization transfer from 8.2 MeV/c longitudinal electrons to longitudinal positrons in the 3.1-6.2 MeV/c momentum range.

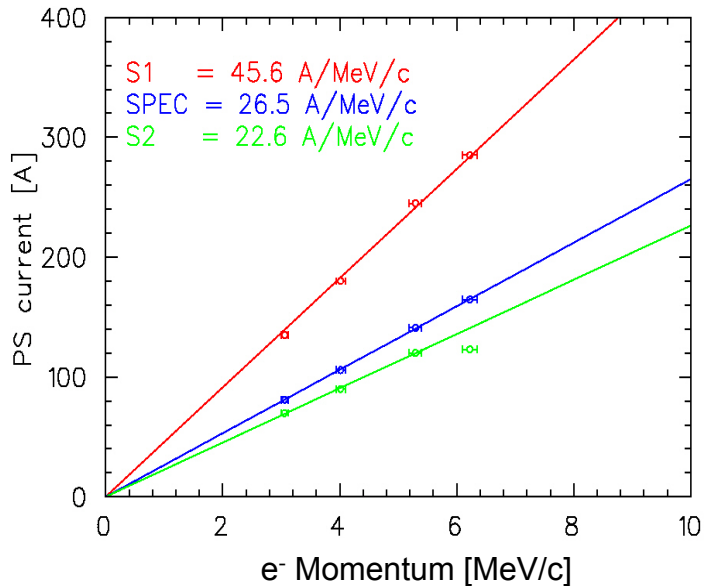
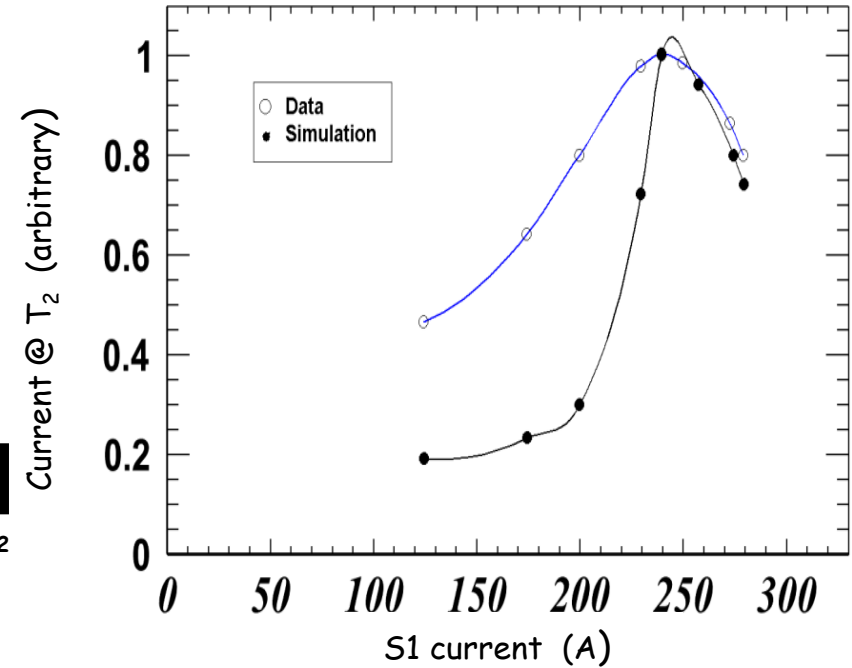
## Final Installation June 2012



# Using Degraded Electrons to Optimize Positron Collection



$S_1$  current optimization at 5.5 MeV/c

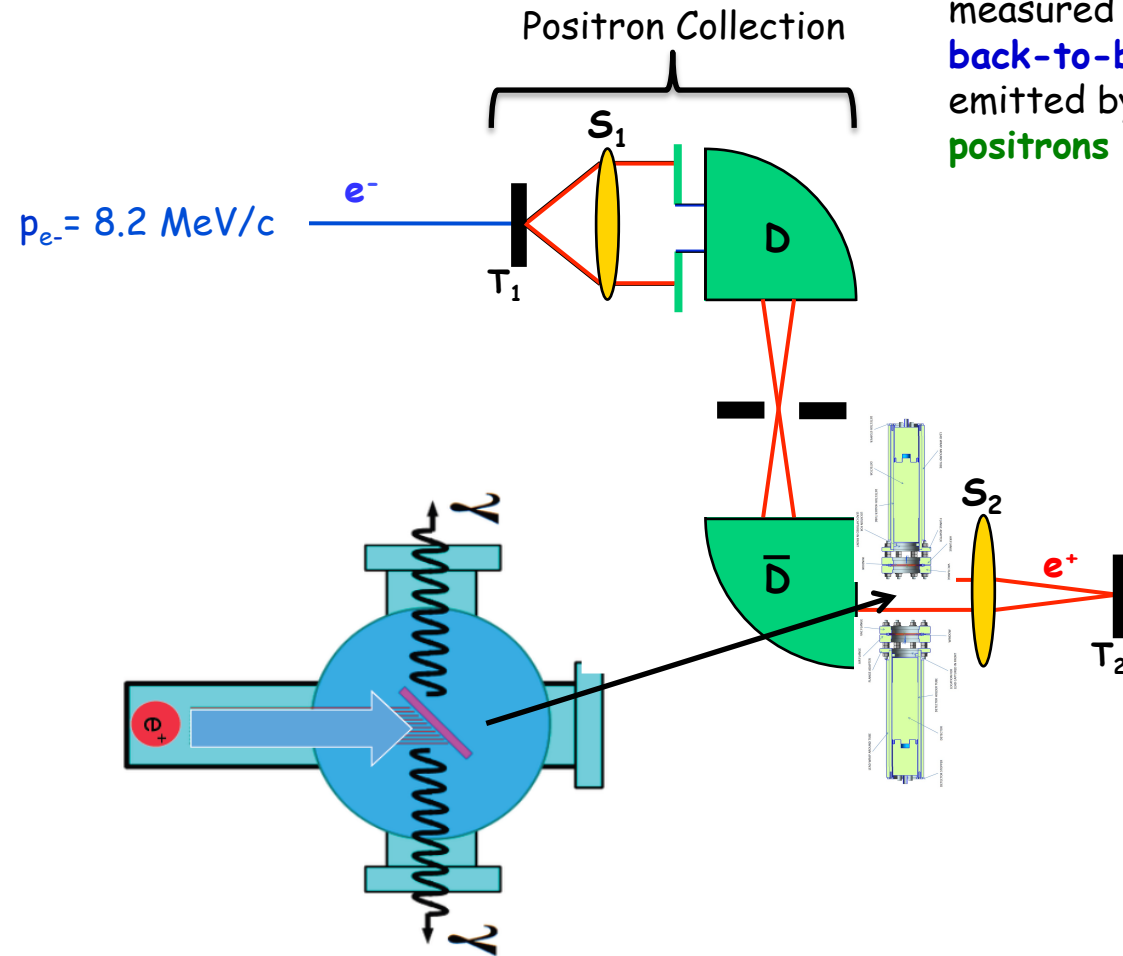
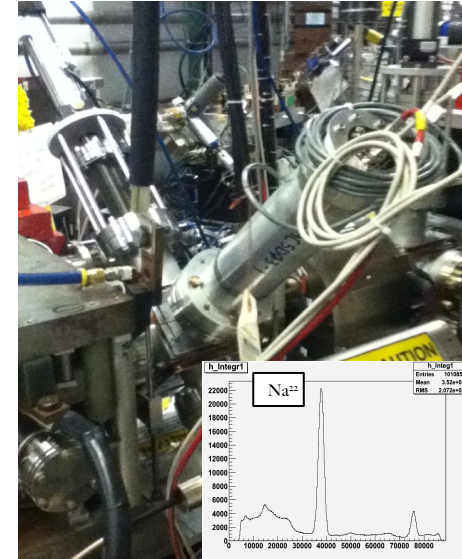


- “Low Power” exp’t generated pA’s of  $e^+$
- Degraded electrons allowed optimizing magnets with measurable currents  $\sim 10$ ’s nA



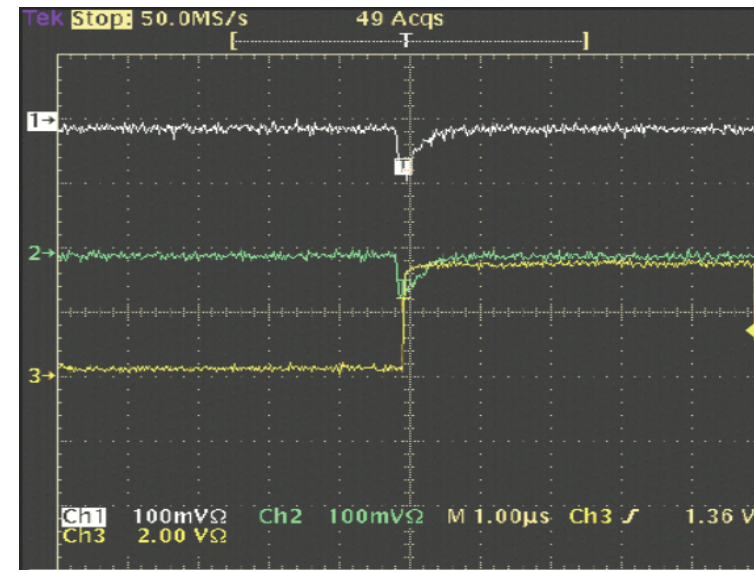
# Positron Detection by Annihilation Coincidence

Two **NaI** detectors measured coincidence of **back-to-back photons** emitted by **annihilation of positrons** in a viewscreen.

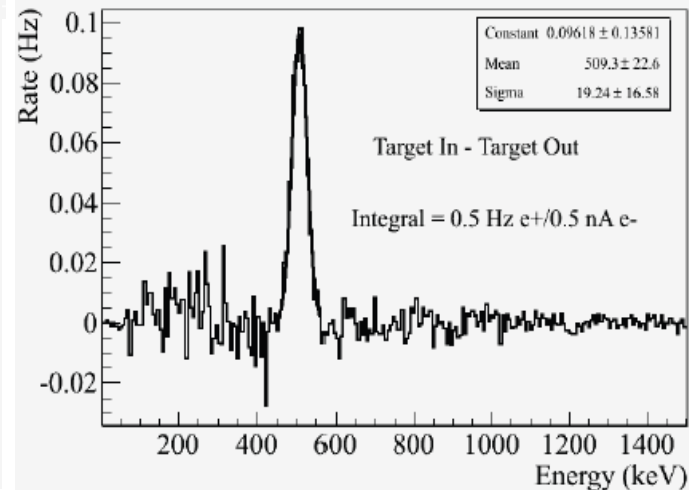
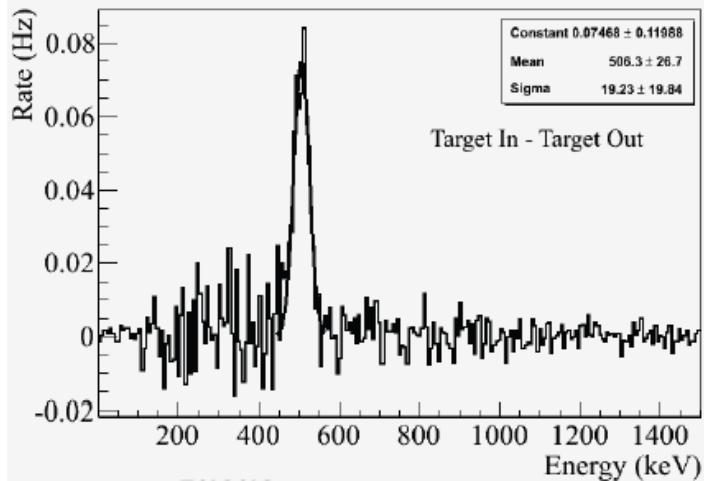
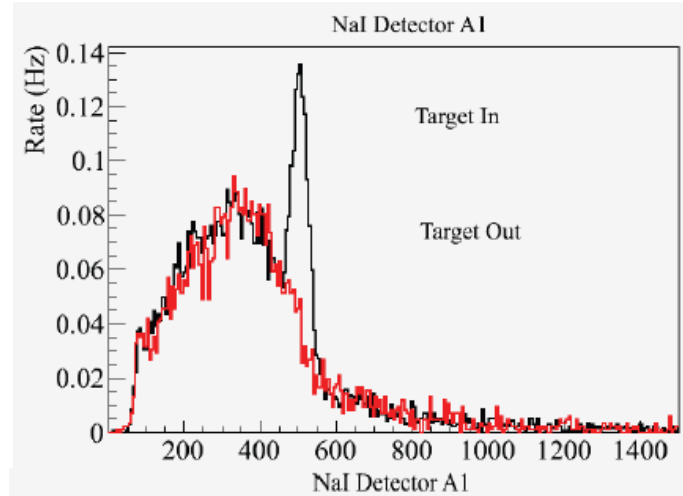
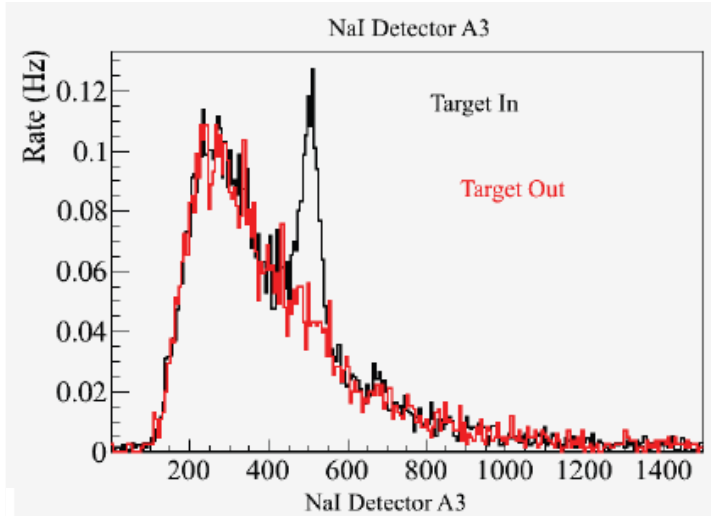


## Viewscreen

- 0.011 thick @ 45 deg to beam line
- 99.5% aluminum oxide  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$
- 0.5% chromium doped  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$



# Measuring Positron Yield



Detected e<sup>+</sup> rate (1 e<sup>+</sup> per 10<sup>10</sup> e<sup>-</sup>)

Solid Angle (0.1 sr)

GEANT annihilation probability (1/400)

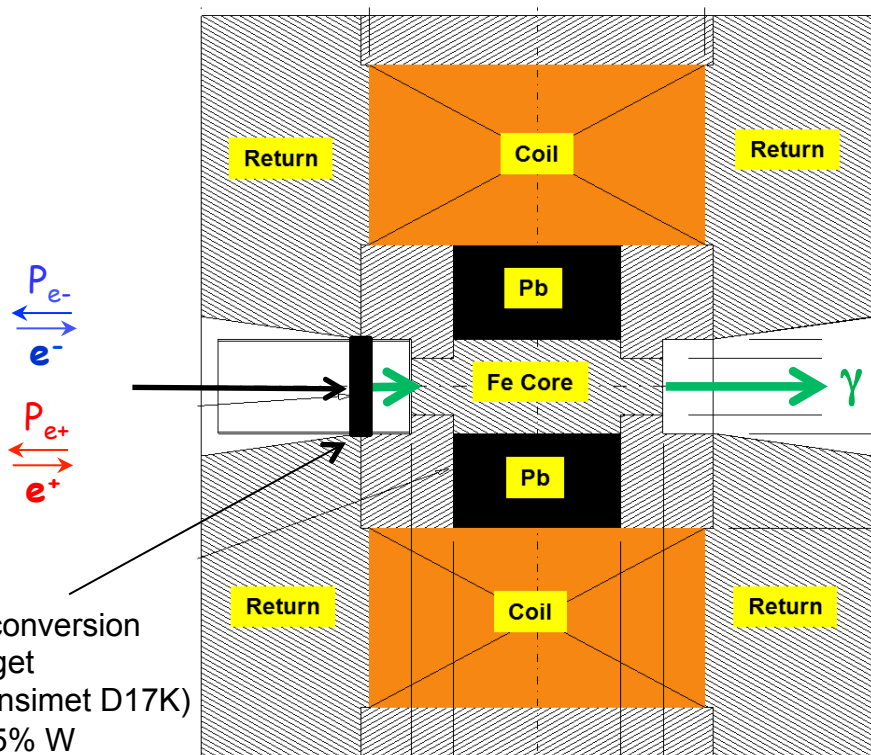
Coincidence detector efficiency (0.49 @ 511keV)

**1 e<sup>+</sup> per 10<sup>6</sup> e<sup>-</sup>**  
**(consistent with proposal)**

# Measuring Positron Polarization: Compton Transmission Polarimeter

**Electrons** or **Positrons** radiate **polarized photons** by Bremsstrahlung in reconversion target

Energy dependent Compton scattering of **photons transmitted** through **polarized target** correspond to polarization of incoming **Electrons** or **Positrons** (aligned or anti-aligned).



$$A_T = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} = \tanh(-P_3 P_T \mu_1 L)$$

$\mu_1$  - Compton absorption coefficient  
 $L$  - target length  
 $P_3$  - photon polarization (long.)

$$A_T = P_e P_T A_e$$

$P_e$  - electron/positron polarization  
 $P_T$  - target polarization  
 $A_e$  - analyzing power

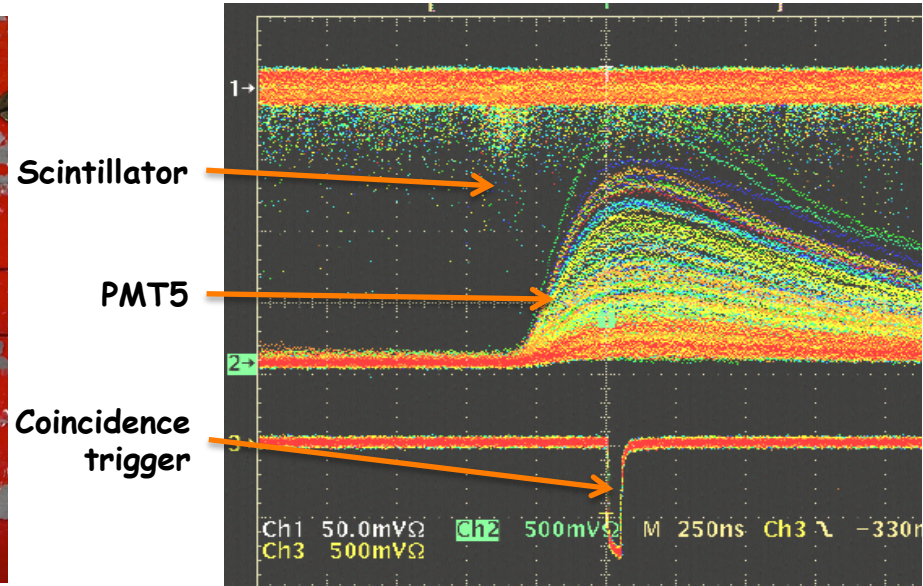
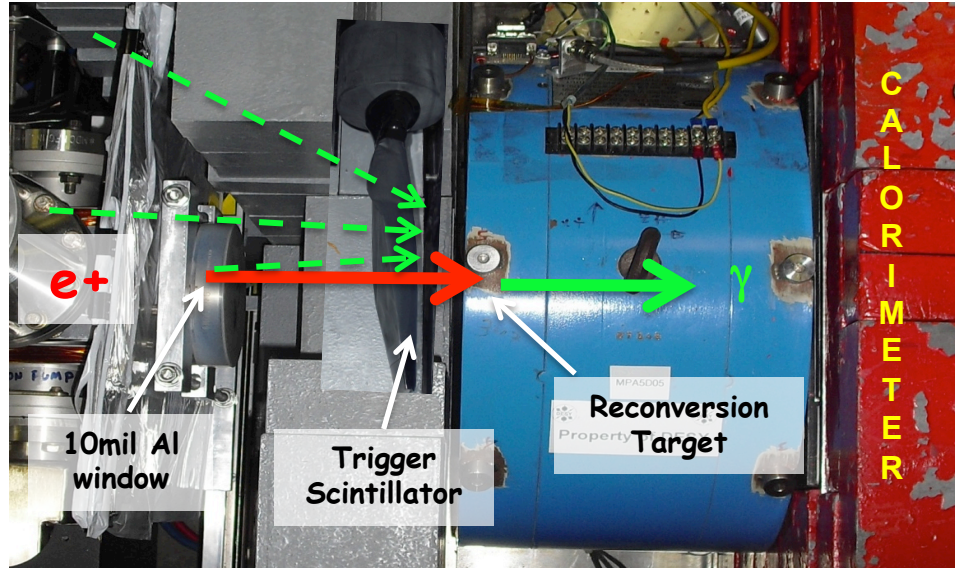
Bremsstrahlung photon spectrum requires energy-dependent analyses

- Energy binning
- Energy integration



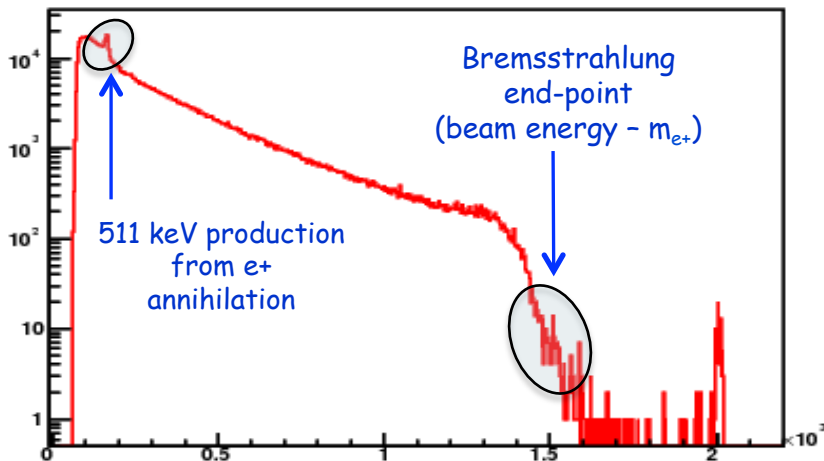
# Positron Polarimetry

**Positrons** are detected in **coincidence** between a thin **trigger scintillator** placed prior to the reversion target and the **central crystal** (PMT5) and **tagged by  $e^-$  helicity**.

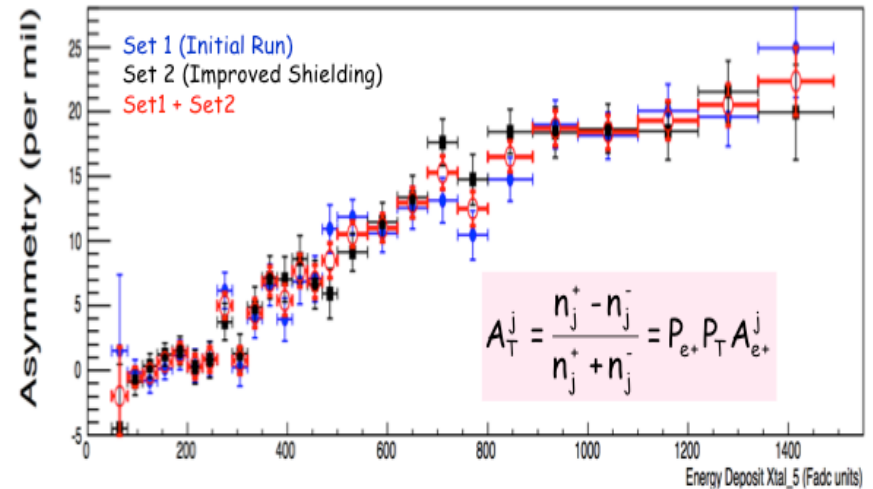


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$e^+$  Data @ 6.3 MeV/c

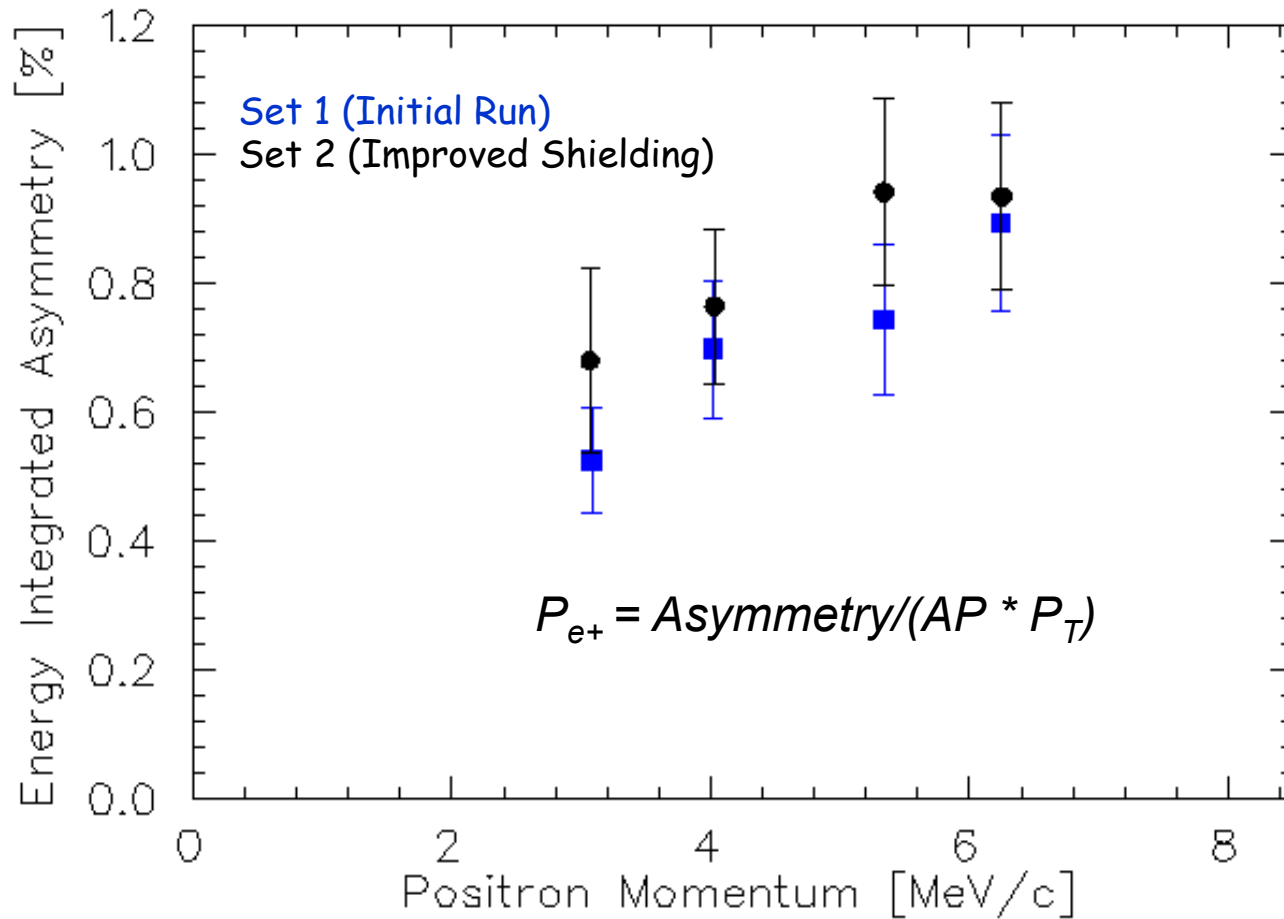


Compton - Physics Asymmetry



# Preliminary Positron Results

Positron asymmetry **significantly non-zero**, **increases with momentum** and **reduction of background** (which may have analyzing power itself).



We are in final stages of analysis and will unveil results Spring 2014.



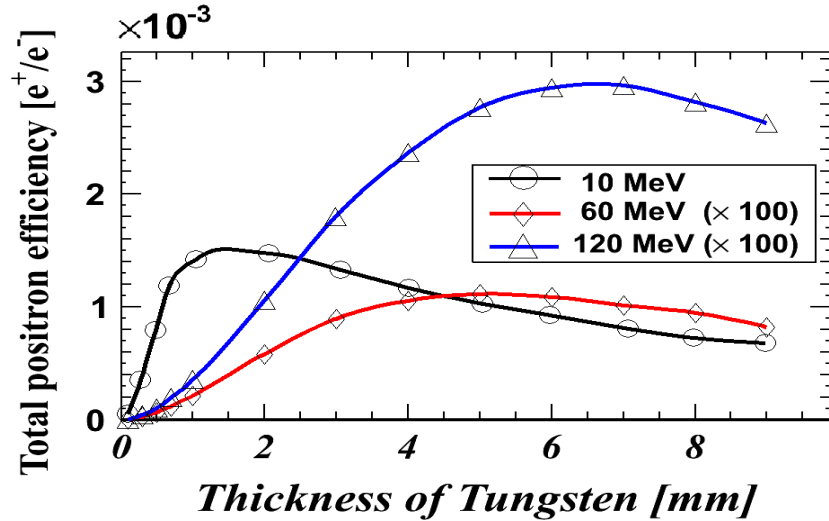
# *What about positrons at Jefferson Lab ?*

Positrons for JLAB Nuclear Physics  
100 nA - 10  $\mu$ A (CW)  
Polarized



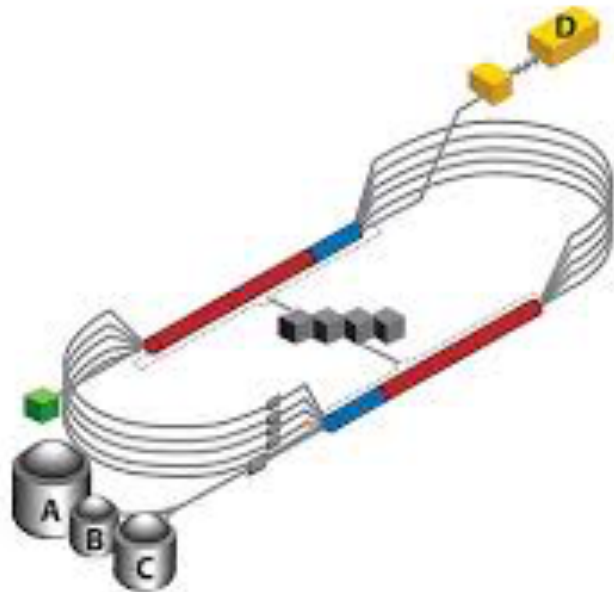
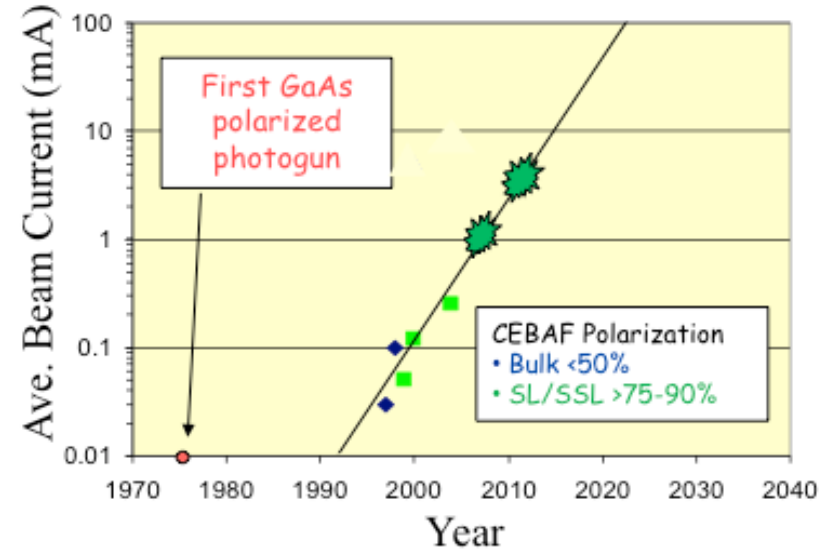
# What about injecting positrons into CEBAF ?

**Energy**



**X**

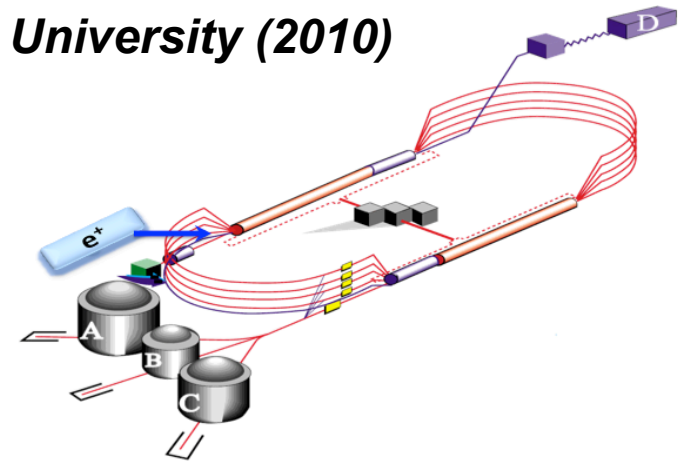
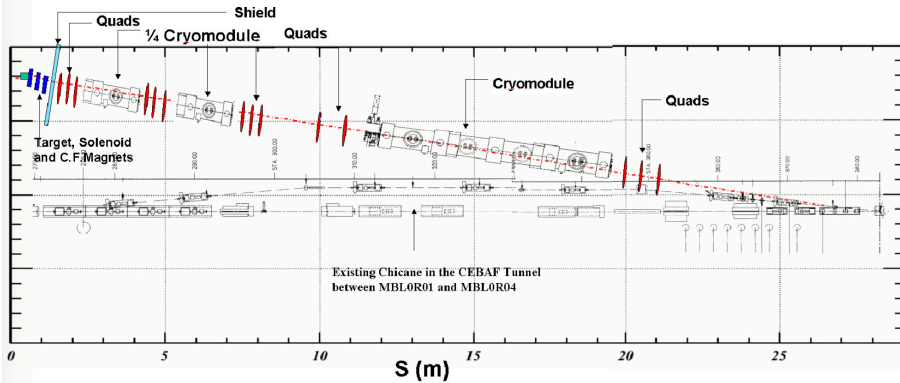
**Current**



- ✓ Low energy ( GeV) injector requires **milli-Amps**
- ✓ **High power** (100's kW) target & components
- ✓ Arc dipole **power supplies** are **unipolar**
- ✓ **Low beam intensity** challenges diagnostics
- ✓ Quasi-simultaneous **electron/positron delivery**

# CW Positron Source at CEBAF

S. Golge, Ph.D. Dissertation, Old Dominion University (2010)

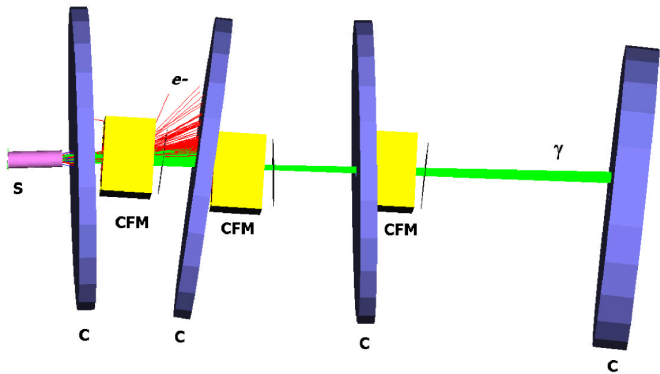


## Combined Function Magnet Solution

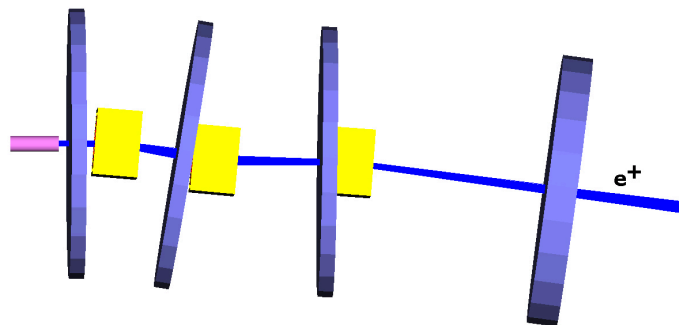
- $p(e^-) = 126 \text{ MeV}/c$
- $p(e^+) = 126 \pm 1.0 \text{ MeV}/c$
- $\sigma_t = 1.8 \text{ ps}$  (to maintain  $dp/p < 10^{-3}$ )
- $\epsilon_x \epsilon_y = 1.6/1.7 \text{ mm.mrad}$  ( $< 5 \text{ mm.mrad}$ )

Efficiency is  $\sim 2.9 \times 10^{-4}$

- $0.1 - 10 \text{ uA} \Rightarrow 0.35 - 35 \text{ mA}$
- **100kW to 1MW !**



(a)



126 MeV/10 mA	Power Source		Deposited Power	
	( $e^-$ and $\gamma$ )	$e^+$	(%)	(kW)
Target	✓	✓	4.5	55
Solenoid	✓	✓	21.0	250
Collimators	✓	✓	10.0	120
Capture Area Magnets	✓	✓	17.0	200
1/4 Cryomodule-1		✓	$2.0 \times 10^{-3}$	0.025
1/4 Cryomodule-2		✓	$9.0 \times 10^{-4}$	0.01
Full Cryomodule		✓	$1.2 \times 10^{-3}$	0.015

# Positron Opportunities at Jefferson Lab ?

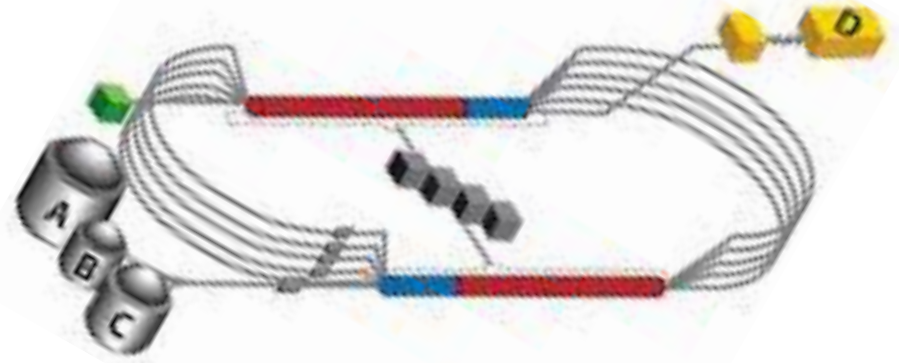
## CEBAF

Improve conversion efficiency

- ~100  $\mu\text{A}$  / 11 GeV
- ~1  $\mu\text{A}$  / 12 GeV (Hall D)

Manage high power

- Shielded Radiator
- Accessible conversion target



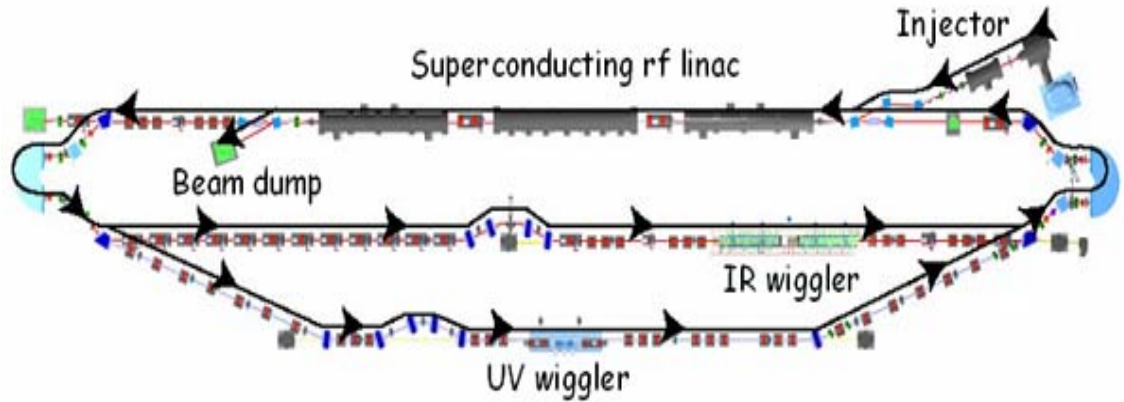
## LERF

High current : 10 mA @ 200 MeV

- Test bed for CW concept

ERL dump : 10 mA @ 10 MeV

- Low intensity source

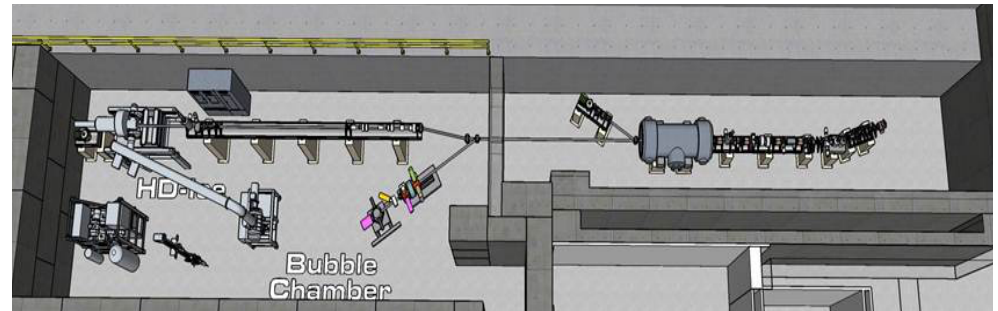


## UITF

10 MeV/1 nA facility to test HDIce

Compatible with <1 nA e<sup>+</sup> source

- Keep energy / photo-neutron yield small
- Add local shielding





# Outlook & Opportunities

## Compelling Motivation

- International Workshop on Positrons at Jefferson Lab (2009)
- High Energy Nuclear Physics at CEBAF
- Dark matter searches
- Low Energy Materials Science

## Accelerator R&D Track Record

- J. Dumas, PhD, **PEPPo Conceptual Design** (2010)
- S. Golge, PhD, **CW Positron Source Design** (2010)
- PEPPo, **PAC A Rated E11-105** (2012)
- L. Adeyemi, PhD, **PEPPo Proof-of-Principle** (expected 2015)



## Future Directions ?

- P. Degtiarenko, J. Grames, E. Voutier, Integrated Conceptual Design (Unfunded 2013 LDRD)
- Consideration being given for low energy positron program at LERF
- Exploit accelerator expertise & facilities to develop integrated design and address challenges

## Some R&D Opportunities...

- **High Current Electron or Photon “Driver”**
- **High Power Conversion Target**
- **Collection Optimization – Split Radiator : Conversion Target**
- **Simultaneously managing electrons and positrons**