

# Development of a $^3\text{He}$ -based absolute calibration magnetometer for the muon g-2 experiment

- New Muon g-2 Experiment
- Magnetometers and the magnetic field standard
- Proposed  $^3\text{He}$  probe: optical pumping, lasers, gas cells, polarimetry
- Towards a  $^3\text{He}$  magnetometry standard for g-2

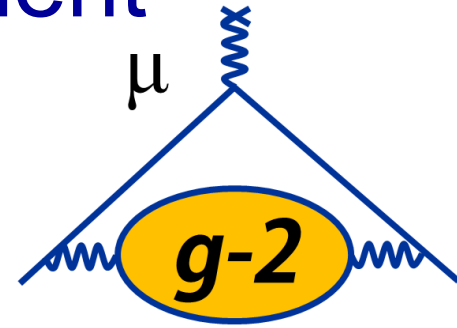


# New Fermilab Muon $g-2$ Experiment

Muon anomalous magnetic dipole moment

$$a_{\mu} = \frac{1}{2}(g - 2)$$

$$a_{\mu} = a_{\mu}^{QED} + a_{\mu}^{Hadronic} + a_{\mu}^{Weak} + \dots \text{New physics?}$$



Standard Model:  $a_{\mu} = 116\,591\,802 \pm 49 \times 10^{-11}$  (0.42 ppm)

BNL measurement:  $a_{\mu} = 116\,592\,089 \pm 63 \times 10^{-11}$  (0.54 ppm)

Discrepancy  $\sim 3.6\sigma$

New experiment to reach **140ppb**

*Probe for signs of SUSY and alternative theories*



# The g-2 magnetic field measurement

Shim 1.45T field to 1ppm

Measure the magnitude to 70ppb using NMR probes

Muon anomalous spin precession frequency – measured from oscillation frequency of positrons from muon decay

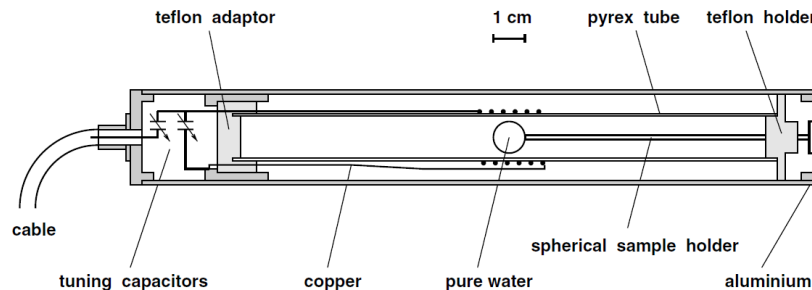
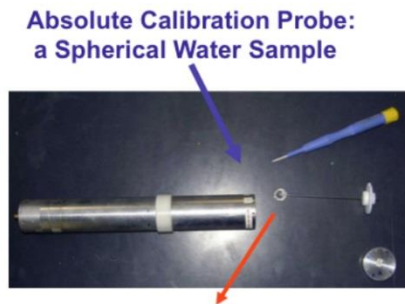
$$a_{\mu} = \frac{m_{\mu} \omega_a}{eB} = \frac{\omega_a / \omega_p}{\mu_{\mu^+} / \mu_p - \omega_a / \omega_p}$$

(Measured by E1054 muonium experiment)

Proton precession frequency measured with NMR magnetometer probes

378 fixed probes, plus mobile trolley probes must be calibrated against standard probe

# Absolute Water Calibration Probe



(a) Absolute calibration probe

- 50ppb accuracy for Brookhaven experiment
- Target 35ppb for Fermilab

$$B_p = (1 - \delta_t)B \quad \delta_t = \sigma_{H_2O} + \delta_b + \delta_p + \delta_s$$

Shifts due to bulk shielding ( $\delta_b$ ), paramagnetic impurities in sample ( $\delta_p$ ) and probe structure ( $\delta_s$ )

$$\sigma_{H_2O} = \left( 1 - \frac{\mu'_p}{\mu_p} \right) = 25,702(14) \times 10^{-6}$$

Protons in spherical water sample (arrow pointing to  $\mu'_p$ )  
Free protons (arrow pointing to  $\mu_p$ )

# Proposed $^3\text{He}$ Absolute Calibration Probe

Advantages of  $^3\text{He}$ :

- Lower uncertainty on diamagnetic shielding,
- Temperature coefficient 100 times smaller,
- Negligible susceptibility – no sample shape dependence

$$\sigma_{H_2O} = [25.702(14) + 0.01036(30) \times (T - 34.7^\circ\text{C})] \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\sigma_{^3\text{He}} = 59.967\,43(10) \times 10^{-6}$$

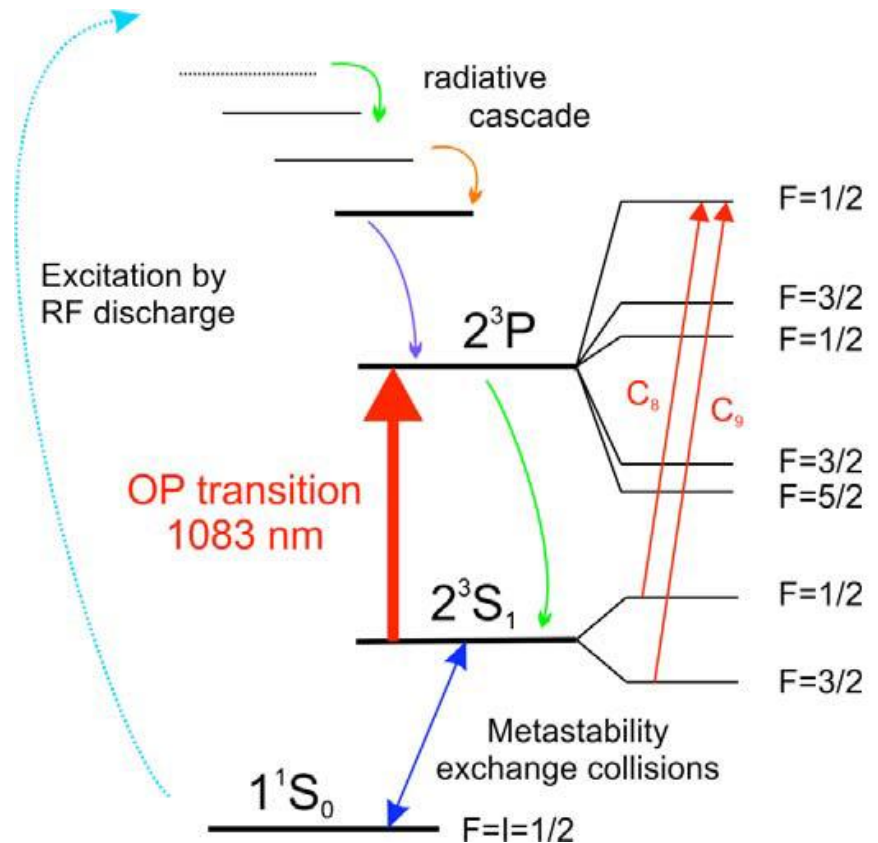
- Need to polarise sufficient amount of  $^3\text{He}$  to get useful NMR signal

	Water probe	$^3\text{He}$ probe
NMR detection and measurement	15	2
Field homogeneity	10	10
Materials outside probe	15	15
Sample holder shape	15	negligible
Probe materials	10	10
Diamagnetic shielding	14	negligible
Temperature effect	10	negligible
Total	34ppb	21ppb

# Polarisation of $^3\text{He}$ for NMR

## *Metastability Exchange Optical Pumping (MEOP)*

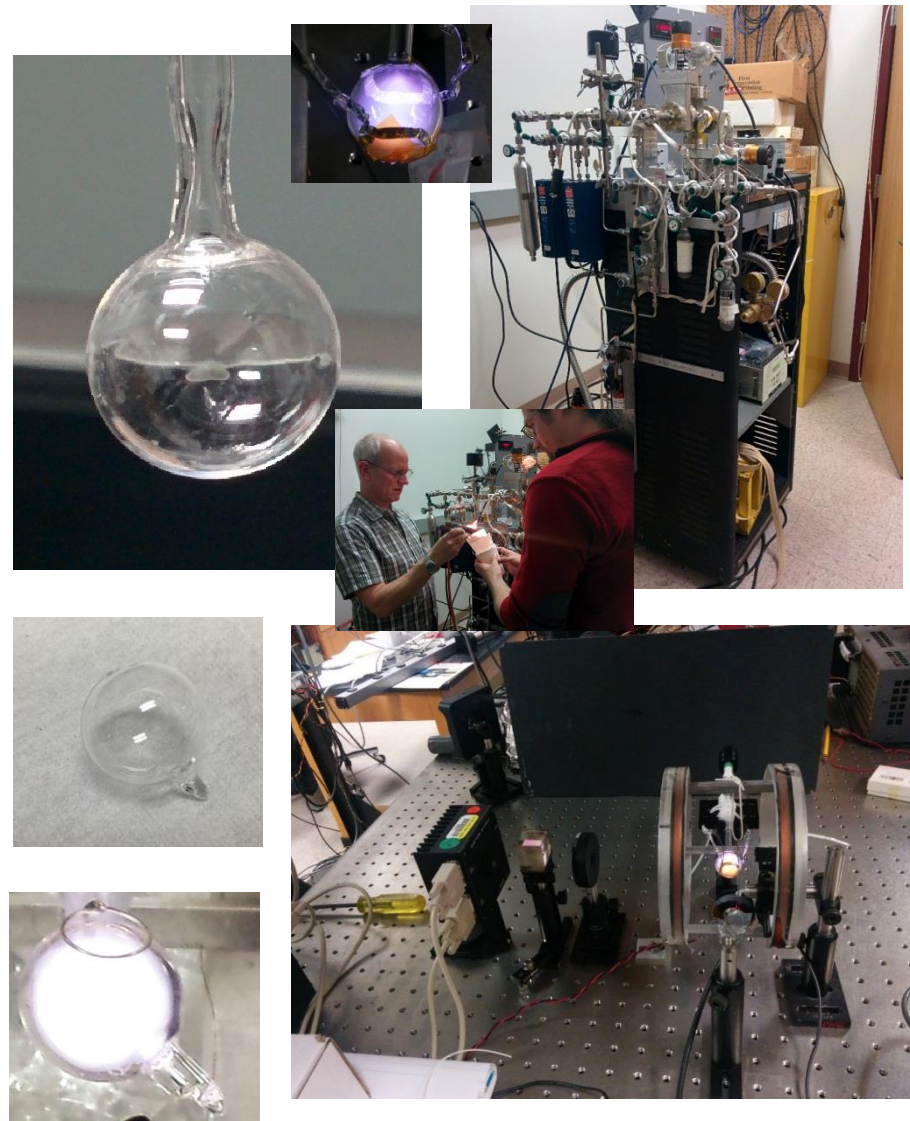
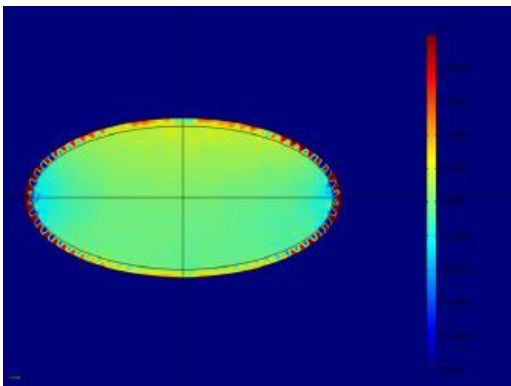
- RF discharge excites  $^3\text{He}$  atoms to the metastable  $2^3\text{S}_1$  state.
- Circularly polarised 1083nm laser light applied to cell to optically pump excited atoms
- Electronic polarization transferred to the nucleus by hyperfine interaction.
- Metastable state polarization transferred to ground state through collisions



→ Require 1083nm laser 100mW

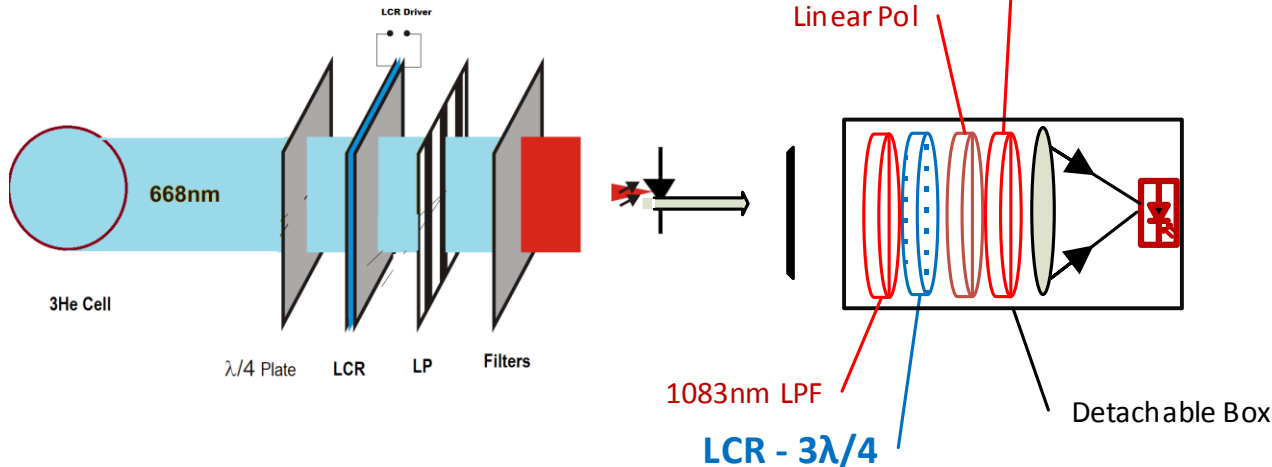
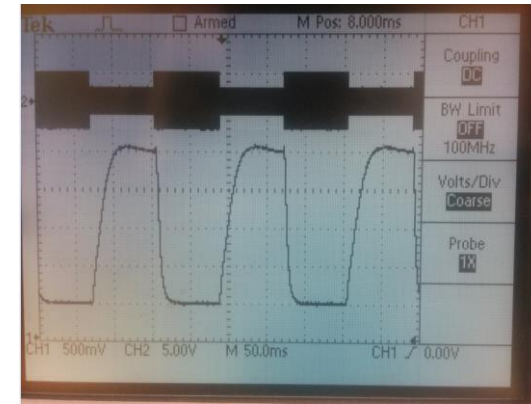
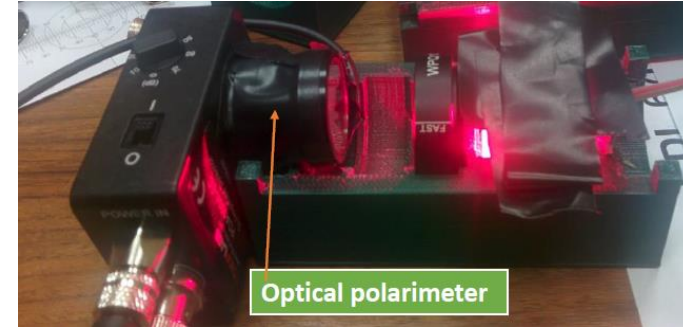
# $^3\text{He}$ cells

- Supplied by Tim Chupp, University of Michigan
- Custom glassware
- Aggressive cleaning procedure
- Fill with  $^3\text{He}$  from dedicated gas handling system.
- Spherical cell reduced inhomogeneities due to cell walls



# Monitoring the $^3\text{He}$ Polarimetry

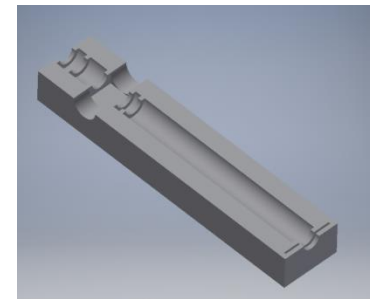
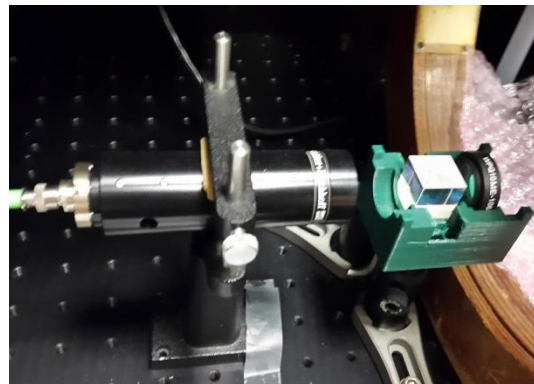
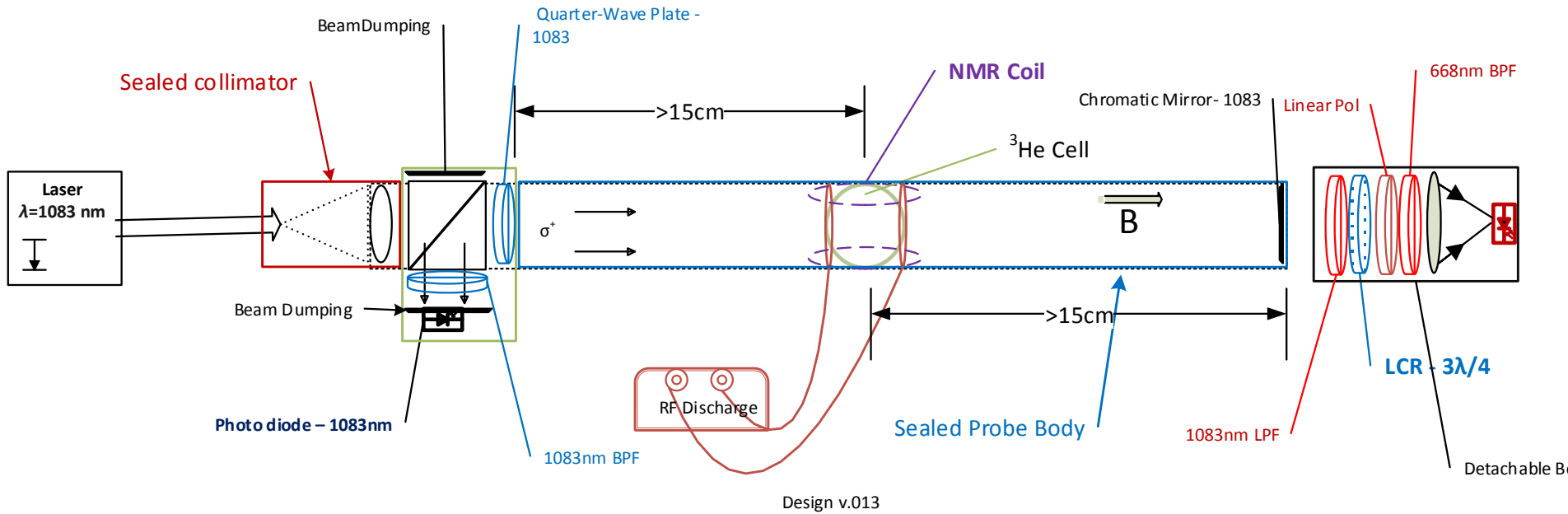
- Essential to tune laser wavelength to optical pumping transitions
- Measure circular polarization of 668nm light emitted by the  $3^1\text{D}_2$  to  $2^1\text{P}_1$  transitions.
- Optical polarimeter using a nematic liquid crystal retarder and a photodiode



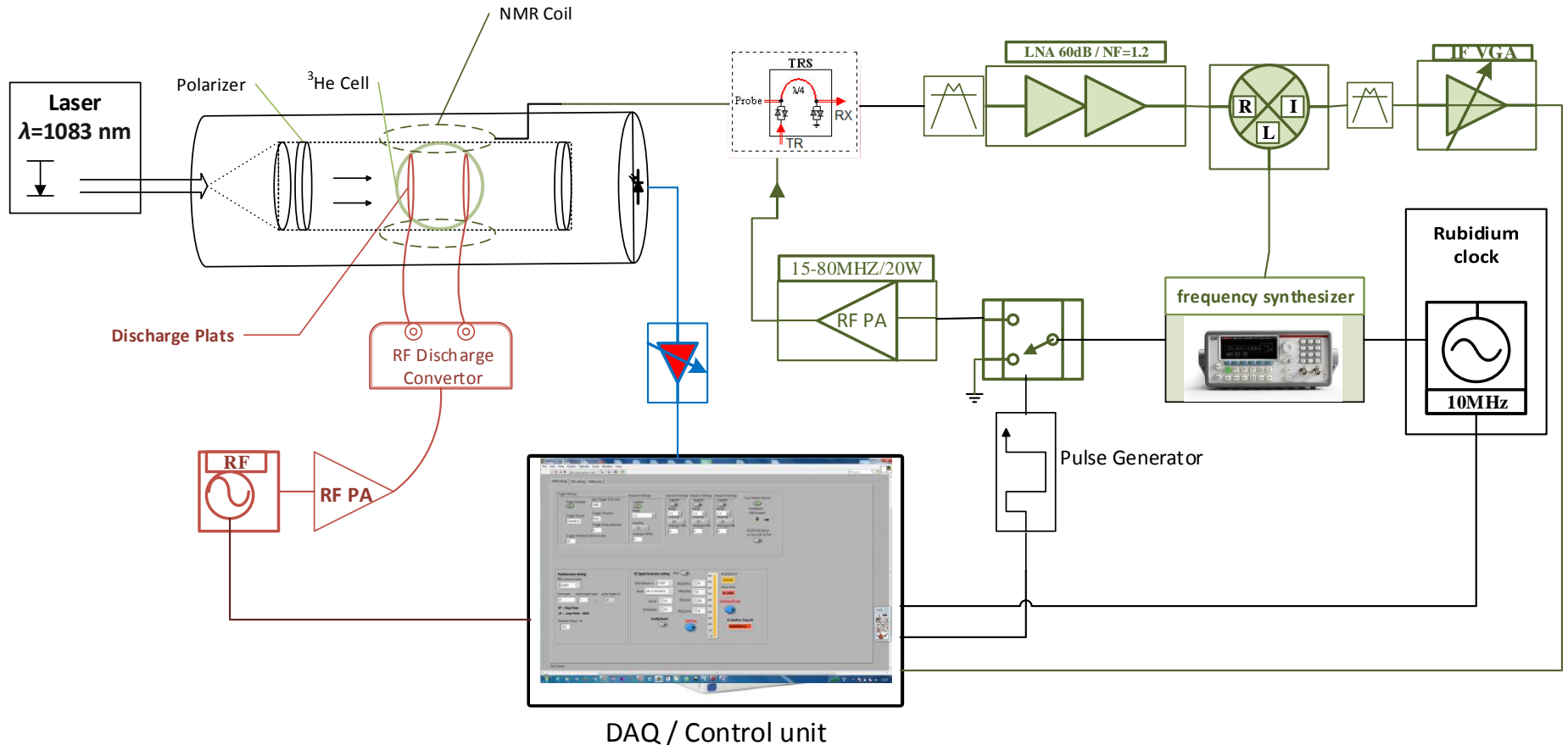
*Liquid Crystal polarimetry for metastability exchange optical pumping of  $^3\text{He}$ , JD Maxwell, CS Epstein and RG Miller, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 764 (2014) 215.*



# Proposed Design for $^3\text{He}$ probe



# Proposed Design for NMR Electronics



- 47 MHz Free Induction Decay signal
- Synthesiser locked to rubidium clock

# Towards a $^3\text{He}$ magnetometry calibration for g-2

- A  $^3\text{He}$  absolute calibration probe will provide
  - Important cross-check of the magnetic field calibration for Brookhaven and Fermilab g-2 experiments
  - Further improve uncertainty on calibration below 30ppb
- R&D programme at Oxford a step towards the construction of g-2 calibration magnetometer
- Cross calibration and characterization to be done in test magnet at Argonne National Laboratory
- Long term future – Could  $^3\text{He}$  replace the proton as a magnetometer standard for g-2?

