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**Polarization Transfer in  ${}^4\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p}){}^3\text{H}$** <sup>1</sup> MICHAEL PAOLONE, University of South Carolina, JEFFERSON LAB HALL A COLLABORATION — Polarization transfer in quasi-elastic nucleon knockout is sensitive to the properties of the nucleon in the nuclear medium, including possible modification of the nucleon form factor and/or spinor. In our recently completed experiment E03-104 at Jefferson Lab we measured the proton recoil polarization in the  ${}^4\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p}){}^3\text{H}$  reaction at a  $Q^2$  of  $0.8 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$  and  $1.3 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$  with unprecedented precision. These data complement earlier data between  $0.4$  and  $2.6 (\text{GeV}/c)^2$  from both Mainz and Jefferson Lab, in which the measured ratio of polarization-transfer coefficients differs from a fully relativistic DWIA calculation. The earlier data are equally well described by the inclusion of a medium modification of the proton form factors predicted by a quark-meson coupling model and by a recent calculation including, particularly, a spin-dependent charge exchange in the final-state interaction. Our new data will provide a much more stringent test of these calculations. Preliminary results will be presented.

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