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**Induced Polarization in  ${}^4\text{He}(e, e'\vec{p}){}^3\text{H}$** <sup>1</sup> SIMONA MALACE, University of South Carolina, HALL A COLLABORATION — The transferred polarization in the  ${}^4\text{He}(\vec{e}, e'\vec{p}){}^3\text{H}$  reaction at  $Q^2$  values of 0.4, 0.5, 1.0, 1.6, and 2.6  $\text{GeV}^2$  have been measured to study possible medium modifications of the proton form factors. The measured ratio of polarization-transfer coefficients was described by the inclusion of in-medium proton form factors. This interpretation was recently challenged by a calculation by Schiavilla *et al* including, particularly, a spin-dependent charge exchange in the final-state interaction (FSI). The induced polarization of the recoiling proton in this reaction is a measure of FSI. Precise data on these are key to shed more light on this controversy. Even more, a precise knowledge of the induced polarization will allow improvement of the FSI treatment by providing additional experimental constraints to existing theoretical calculations. In our follow-up experiment E03-104 at JLab high statistics data were taken at a  $Q^2$  of 0.8  $\text{GeV}^2$  and 1.3  $\text{GeV}^2$  on  ${}^1\text{H}$  and  ${}^4\text{He}$  targets. The extraction of the small induced polarization is complicated by the possible presence of instrumental asymmetries in the focal-plane polarimeter. The induced polarization in the elastic  ${}^1\text{H}(e, e'\vec{p})$  reaction is (in one-photon approximation) zero and provides crucial information about these false asymmetries. Our preliminary results indicate an induced polarization of about  $-0.03$  and seem to be in reasonable agreement with the RDWIA calculation of Udias *et al*.

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