The New High Field Muon Spectrometer at ISIS

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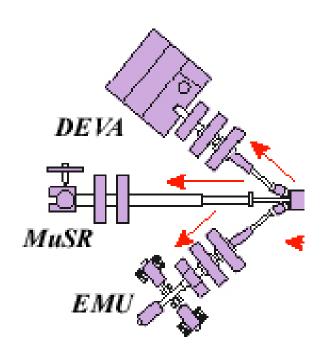
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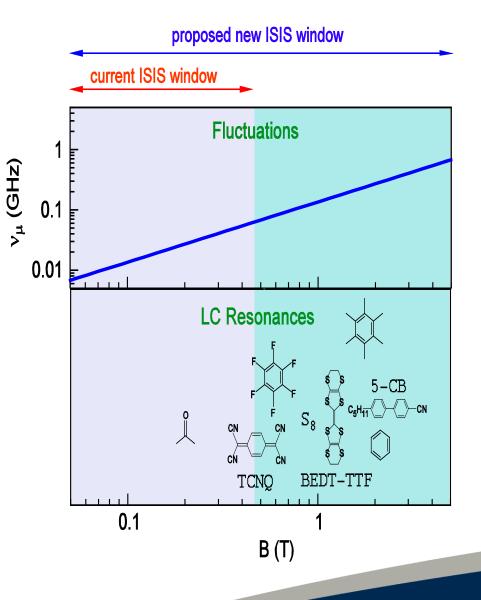




1. Why higher fields?

- MuSR 0.25T (LF), 0.06T (TF)
- EMU 0.5T (LF), 0.01T (TF)
- DEVA − 0.2T (LF)
- ARGUS 0.4T (LF), 0.02T (TF)
- CHRONUS 0.4T (LF), 0.02T (TF)



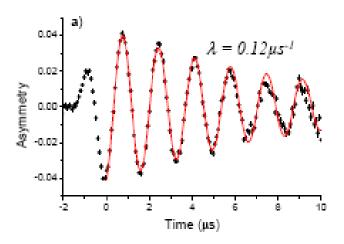


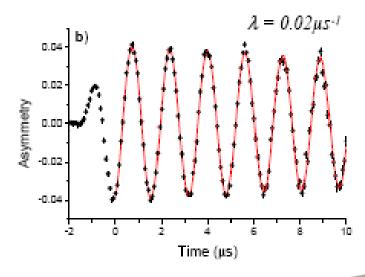


1. Why higher fields?

Four broad areas benefit:

- Fluctuations, diffusion, dynamics
- Spectroscopy (level crossing)
- State preparation
- Pulsed techniques
- Optimised for a pulsed muon source: high time-differential data rates for high-field studies

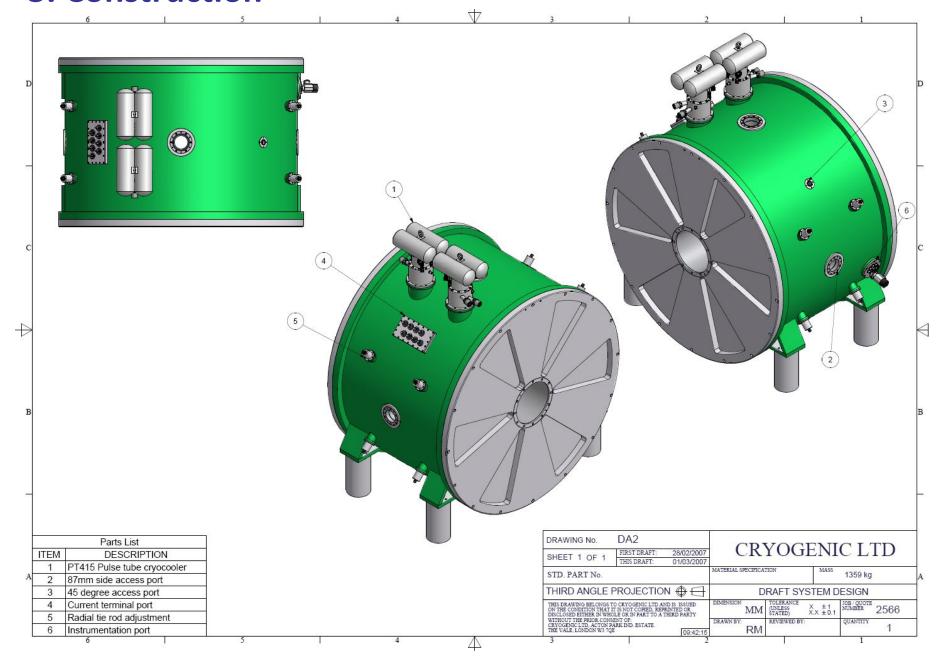


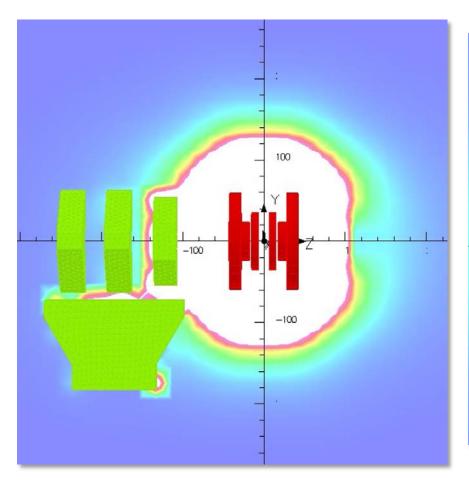


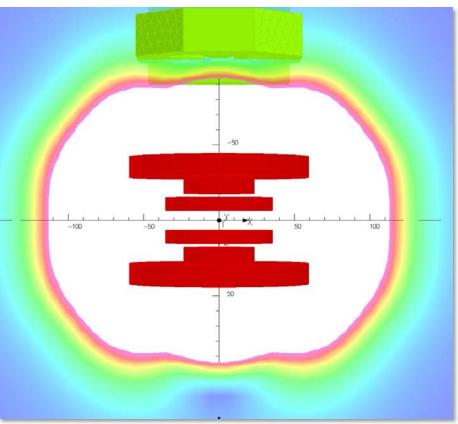
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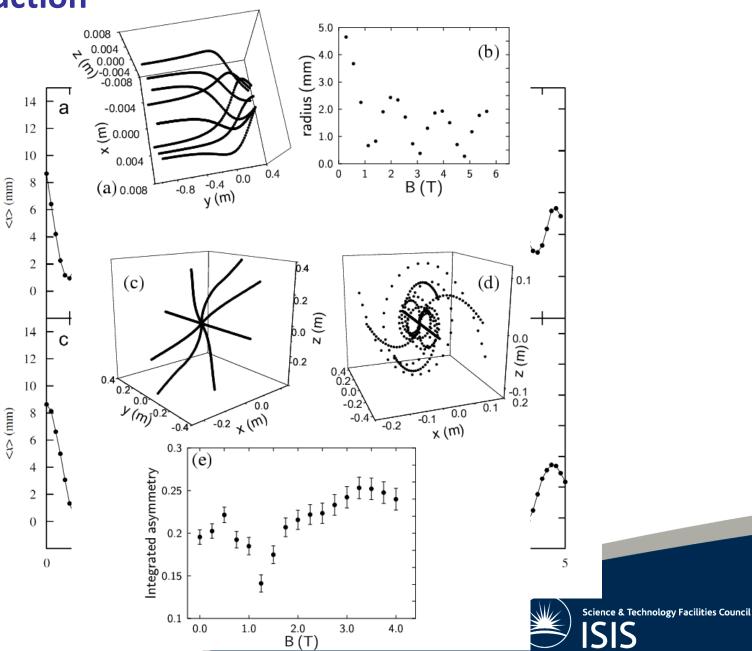
- 5 T main field, longitudinal, reversible
 - Stray field: 2 G at 3 m
 - Stability: 50ppm over 12 hours (persistent mode)
 - Ramp rate: 1T in 10 mins (full field in ~90 mins)
 - Homogeneity: 20 ppm over normal sample volume
 - Cool-down for system: ~7 days (cryogen-free)
- + 400 G auxiliary field (for field switching, e.g. ALC)
- + 2 x 100 G transverse fields
- Zero field ability
- Data rates at least 50 MeV/hr (64 detectors)
- Split pair to allow flexible SE access
- Temperature range: 30mK 1500K
- 'fly-past' possible

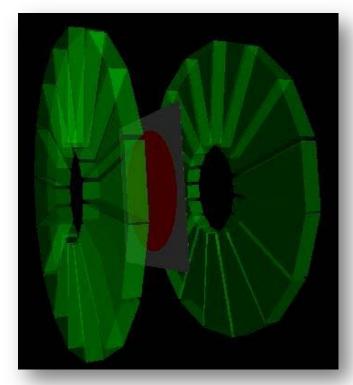


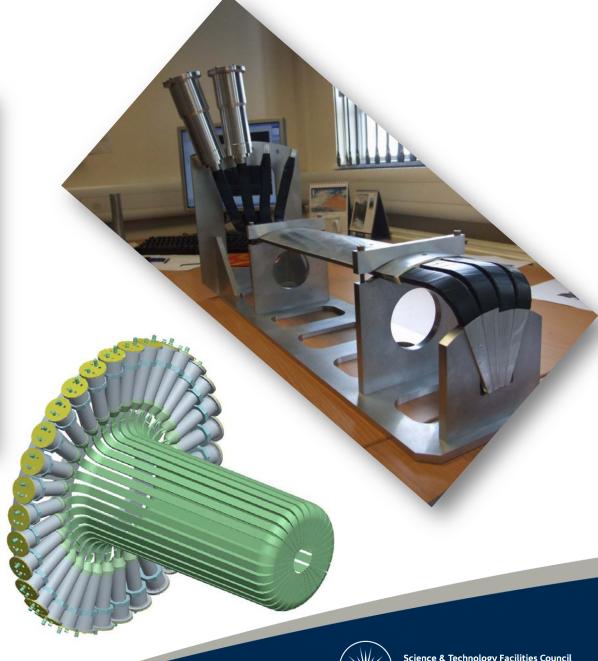










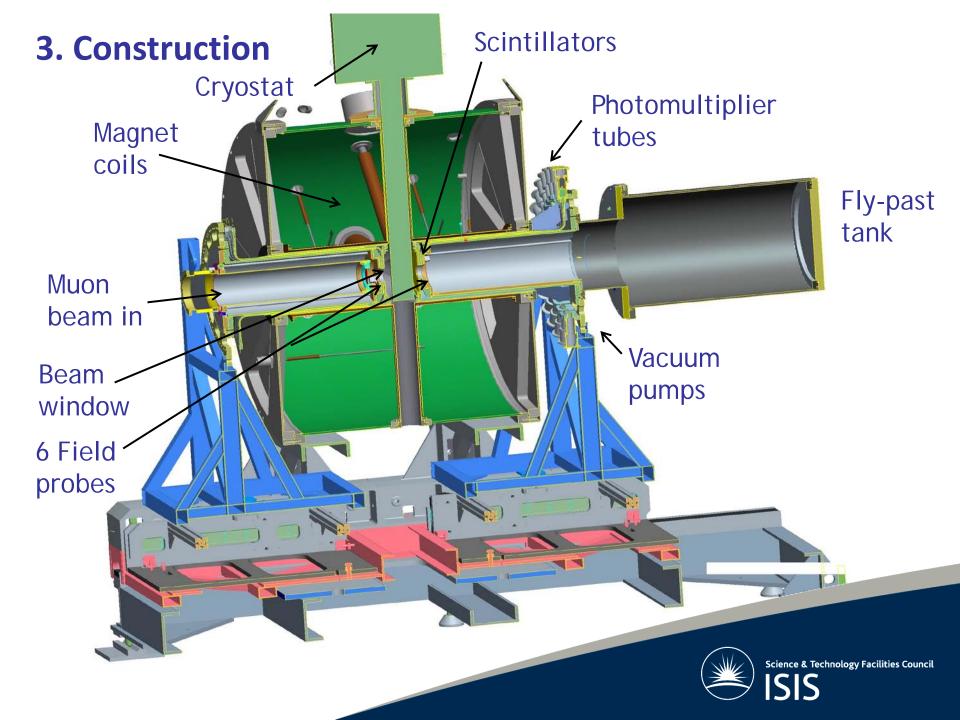


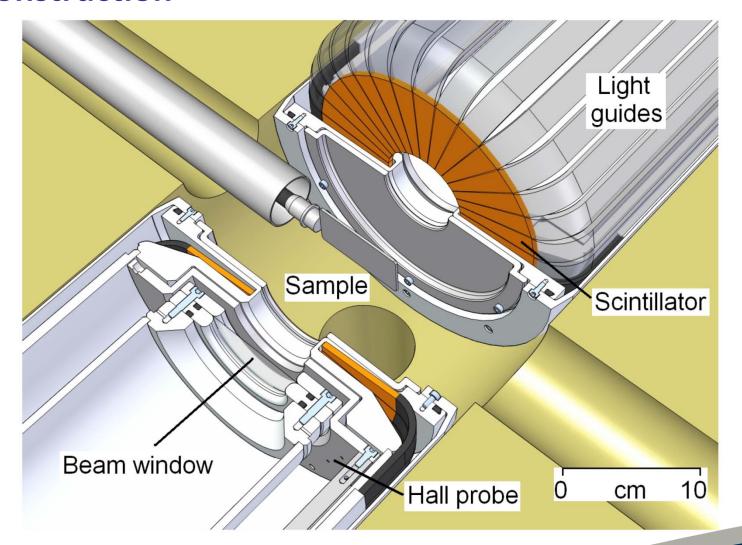


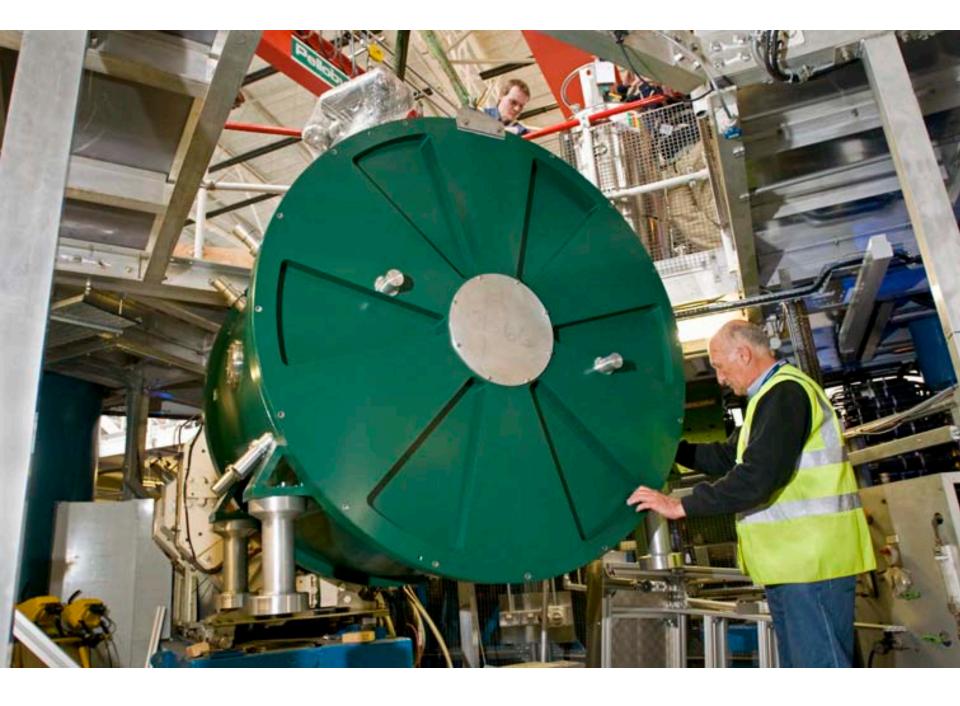


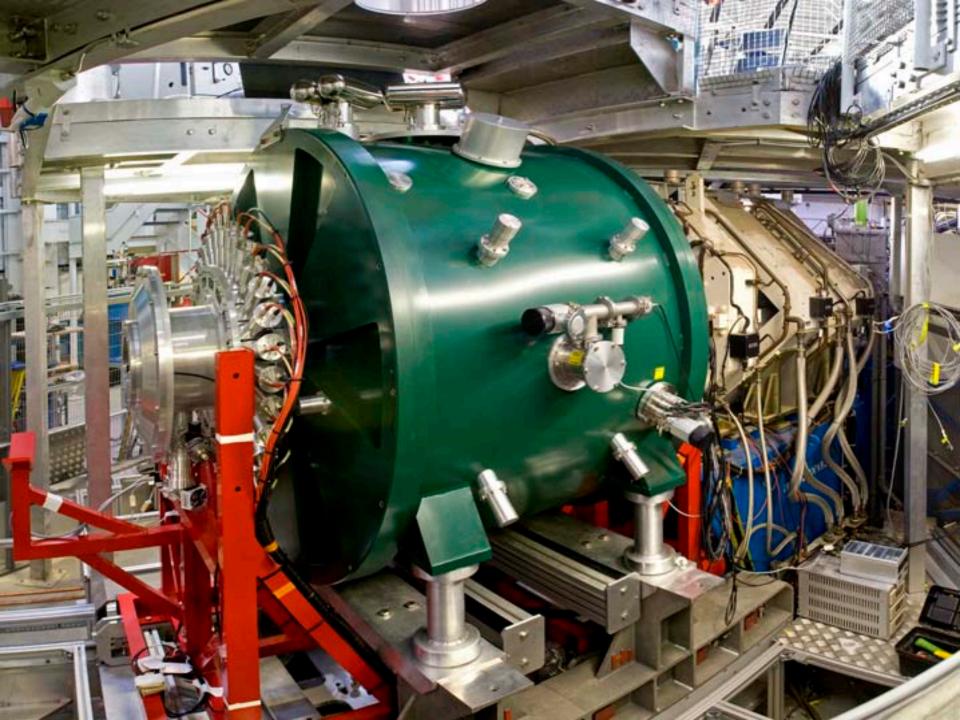










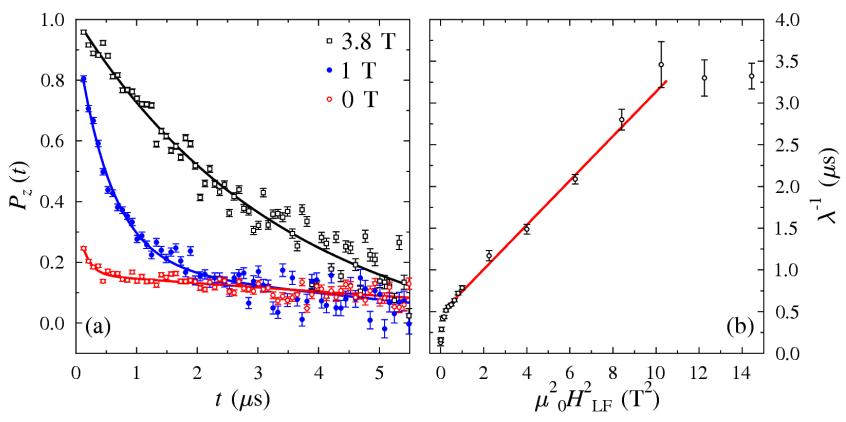




First HiFi users:
December 2009 Alan Drew and coworkers, Iain
McKenzie



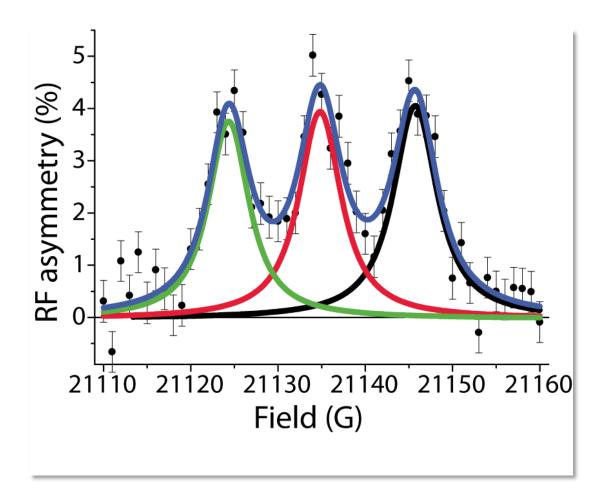
Magnetic decoupling of Ca₃Co₂O₆ (Baker et al.)



- Measurements at 15K.
- Magnetisation plateau between 0.5T and 3.5T
- Fitting of parameters reveals local field at the muon site and fluctuation timescale.



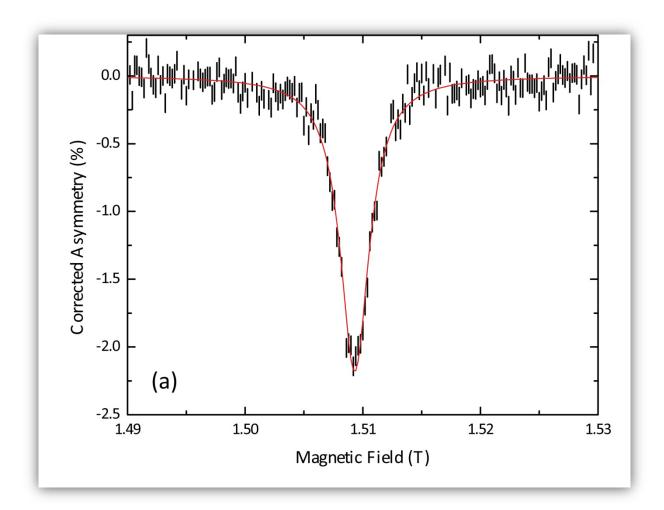
Shallow donor H states in CdTe explored by RF resonance (Gil, Vilao, Lord)



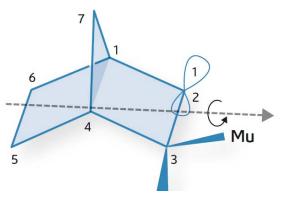
- Shallow donor muonium state in CdTe
- 5K, ~2.1T, fixed RF frequency
- Experiment to try to establish the nature of the muonium electron polarisation.

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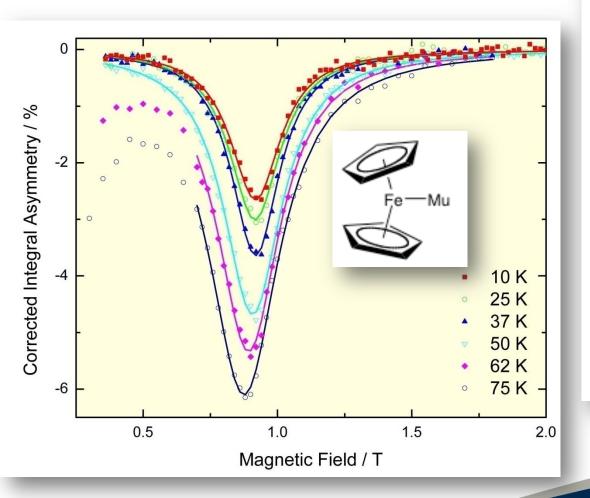


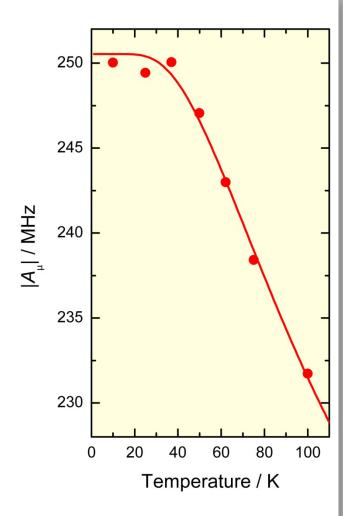
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Resonance shape informs on molecular dynamics (rotations) in the plastic phase (McKenzie, Lord)

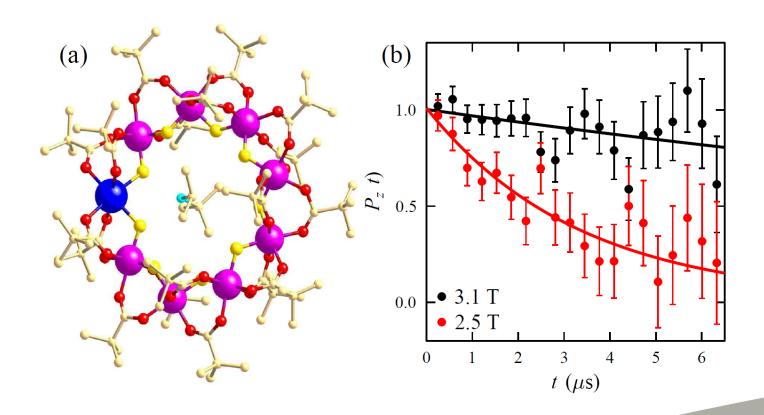
Ferrocene dynamics explored by level crossing resonance (McKenzie et al.)





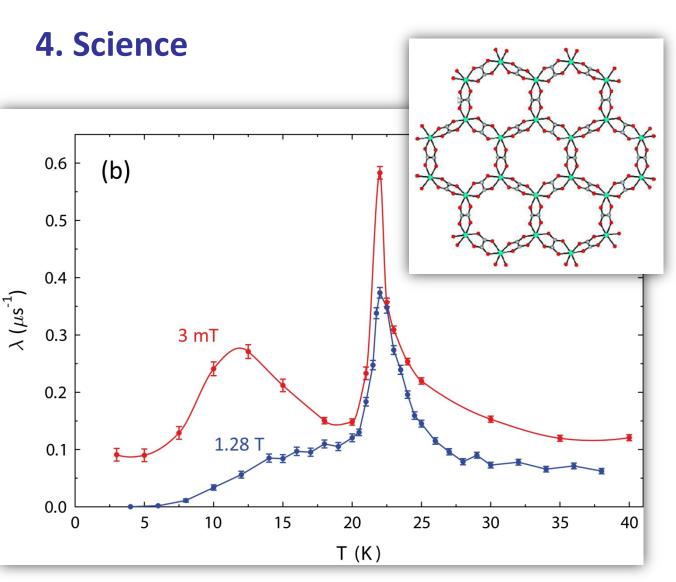


Molecular nanomagnet spin transition observed by level crossing resonance (Lancaster et al.)



See Lancaster et al, O15, for more details.





- Studies of organic magnetic systems based on oxalatebridged transition metal ions
- New fielddependent magnetic transition in layered cobaltate compound below 22K (Pratt et al).



Leaflet on 'level crossing resonance' technique available from ISIS Muon Group web pages



www.isis.stfc.ac.uk/groups/muons



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Summary

- The HiFi project successfully created a muon spectrometer optimised for high field studies at a pulsed muon source
- 0T- 5T LF, 30mK 1000K possible, data rates 50+ Mev/hr for time differential measurements
- Decoupling, level crossing resonance and RF studies have been demonstrated
- The instrument is now in regular use within the ISIS user programme
- Summary paper fully describing the new instrument and its capabilities has just been submitted to Rev Sci Inst



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