# Introduction to the Quantum Design systems in the Birck Spintronics Lab

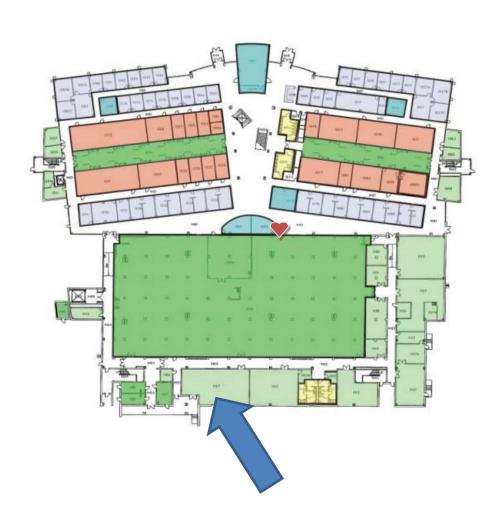
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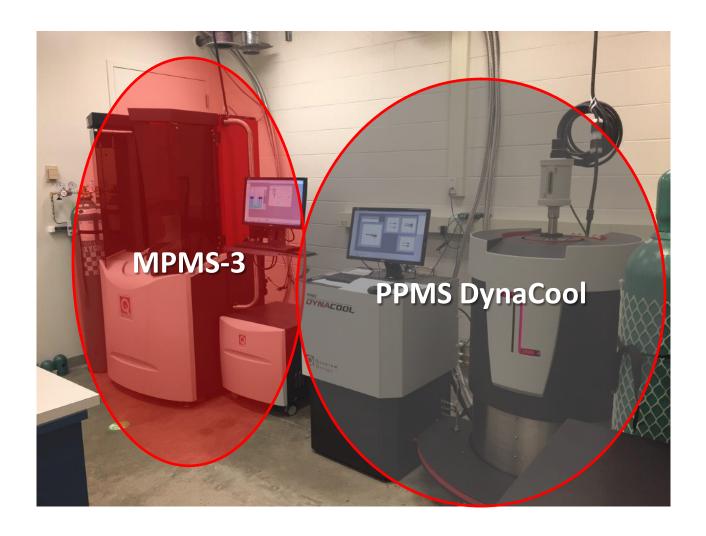
#### outline

- Where is the lab?
- What is Spintronics?
- Why use Quantum Design equipment?
- Quantum Design family tree
- A look inside the instruments
- Examples of some data taken here at Birck

# Where is the Spintronics Lab?



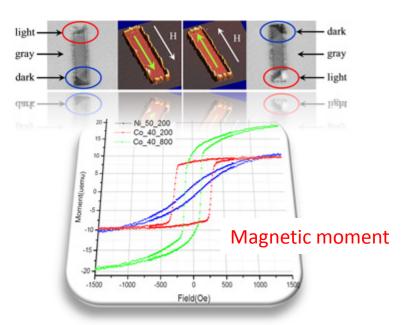
# Spintronics Lab: BRK 1157a



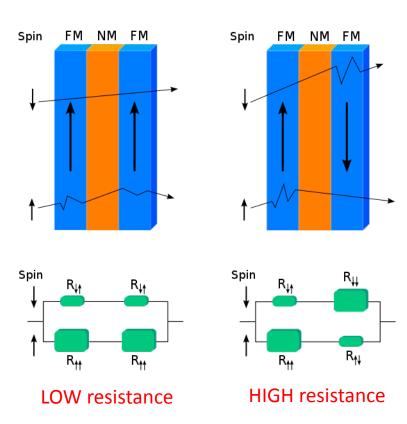
Self-maintaining liquid helium cryostats

## What is Spintronics?

- "spin electronics"
- Uses electron SPIN to run circuits, just like we use electron CHARGE now



Ferromagnetic contacts: one way of controlling spin in circuits (Appenzeller group, Birck)



Giant Magneto-Resistance effect (Fert/Grünberg, 1988), sensor used to read magnetic hard drives

## Why use Quantum Design equipment?

Industry leaders in automated materials properties measurements like...

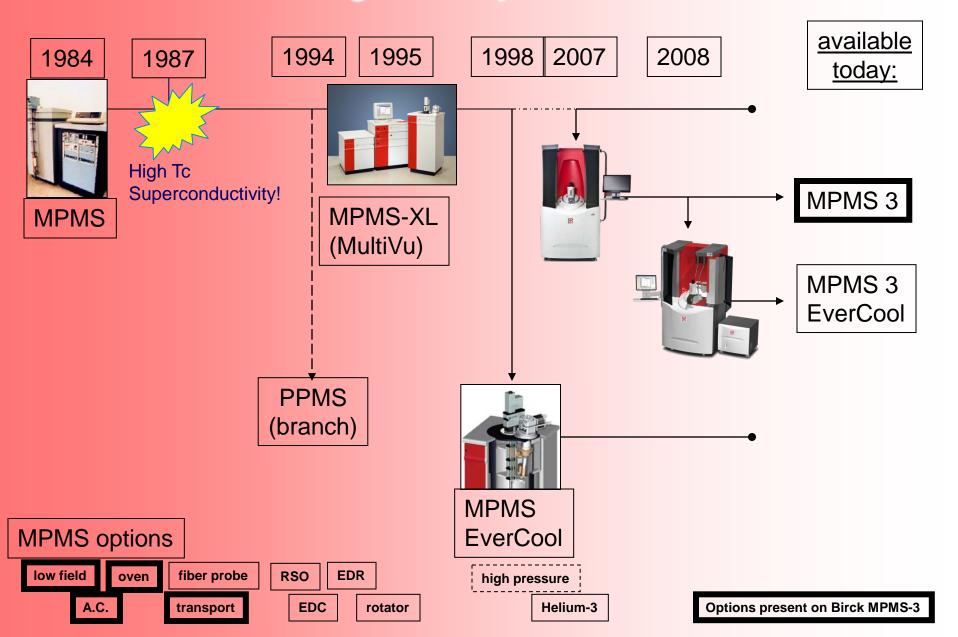
Magnetic moment

Electrical resistance



- Machines run all day/night on programs at
  - High magnetic fields (up to 9 tesla)
  - Low temperatures (down to 1.8 K)
- Workhorse for the labs, does routine characterizations
- Potential for many add-on and custom measurements

#### Quantum Design family tree trunk: SQUIDs

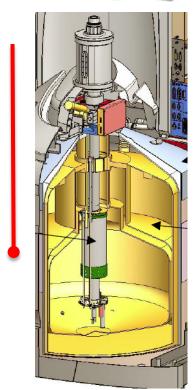


# What is going on inside there?

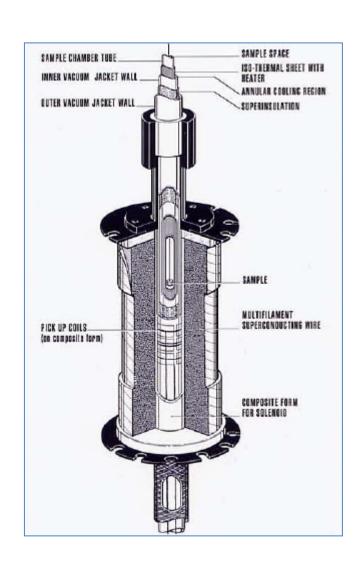
- MPMS-3
  - Magnetic Properties Measurement System
  - Magnetometer (susceptometer)
- Sample (•) typ. 4mm film, powder, crystal...
- Liquid helium in dewar (yellow area)
- Superconducting technology...
  - Electronics (SQUID detects the sample mag. field)
  - Magnet (7 tesla field)
- Similar story in PPMS DynaCool (more later)

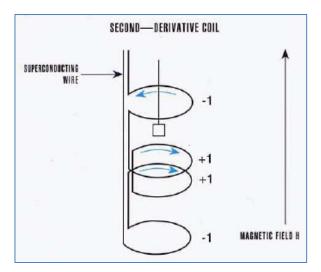


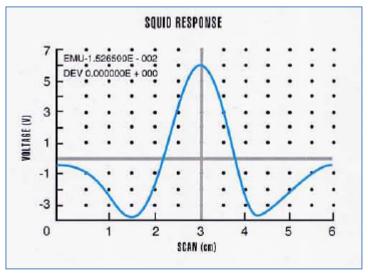




#### MPMS: the Standard









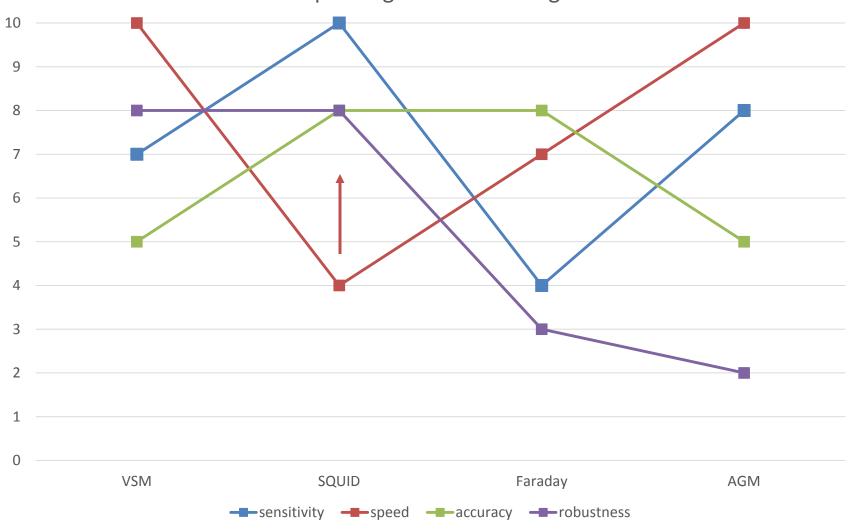
## Two Modes

**VSM** 

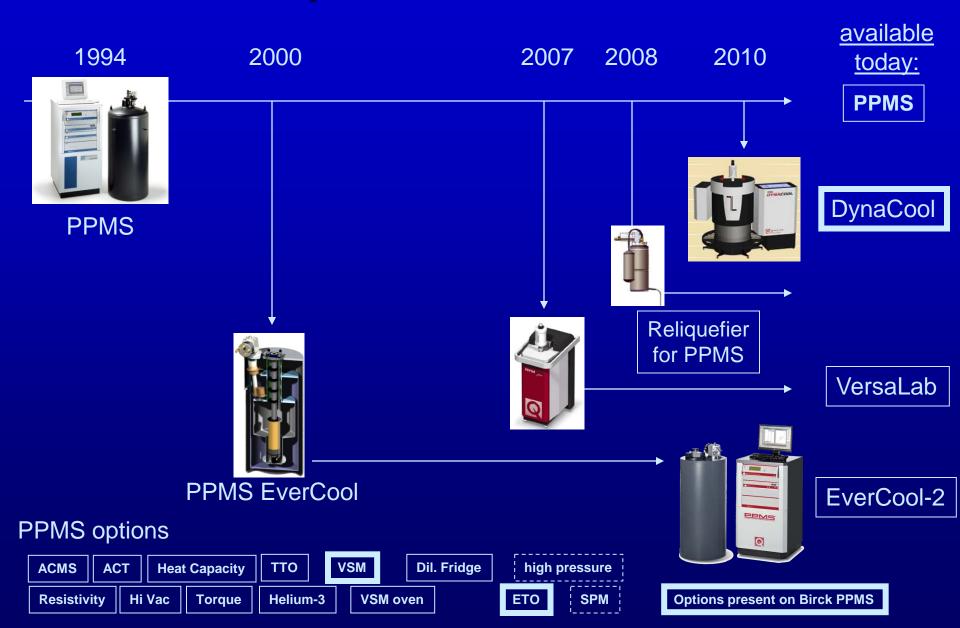
DC Scan



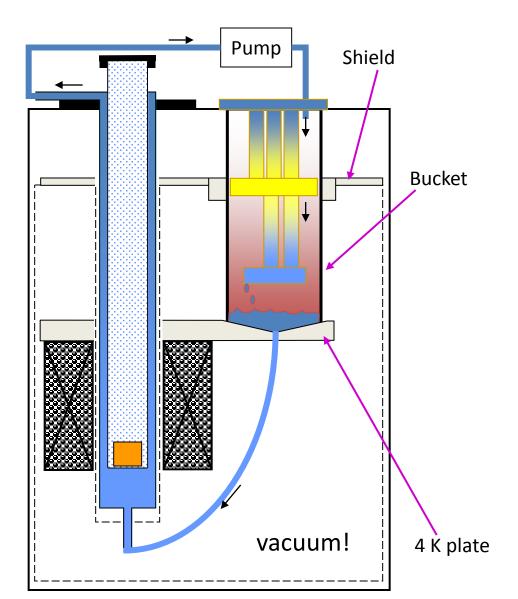
# Performance comparison of some leading sample magnetometer designs



### QD family tree branch: non-SQUIDs

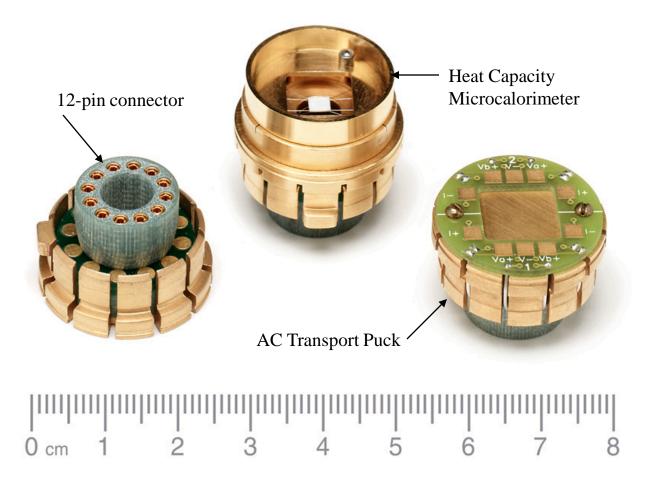


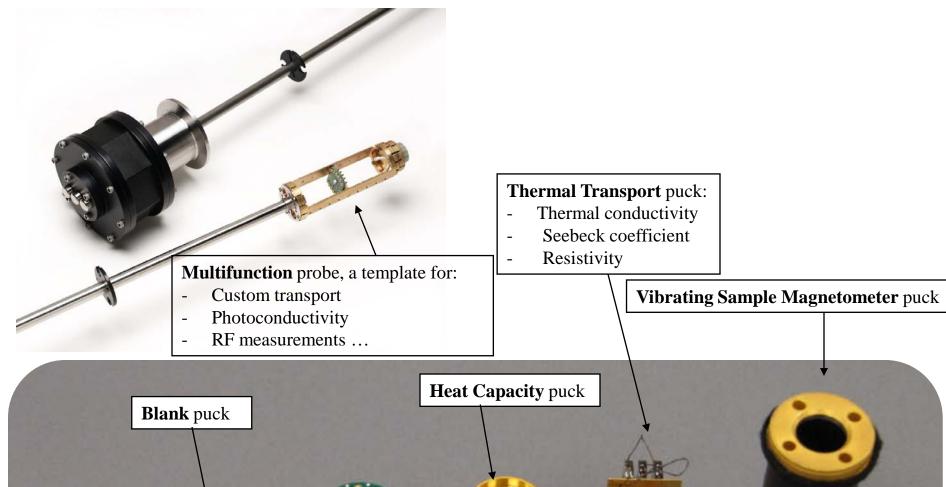
## DynaCool inside

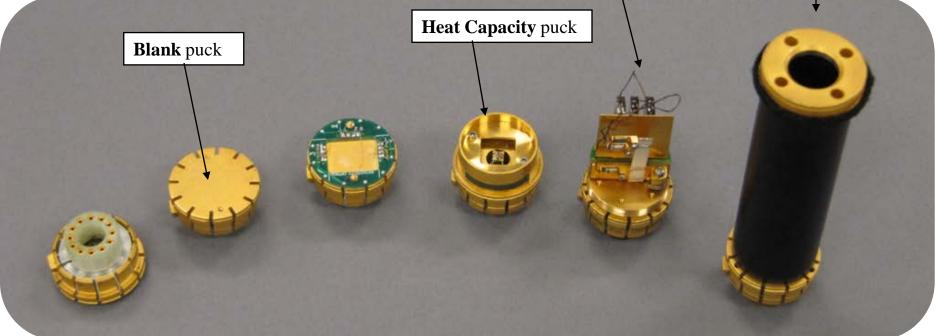


- pulse tube Cryocooler in gas
  - Efficient use of available cooling
  - Inherently vibration isolated
- Large, solid copper links to magnet
  - Large A/L, simple
- Helium flow cooled by direct contact with cryocooler
  - Large gas flows without affecting magnet temperature

# PPMS Sample Puck™: the experiment stage

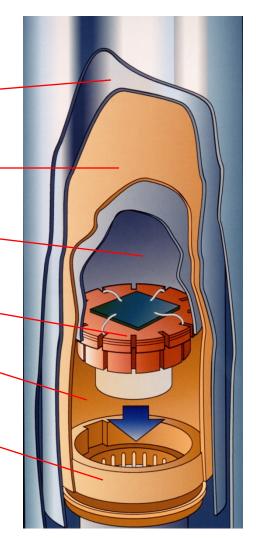


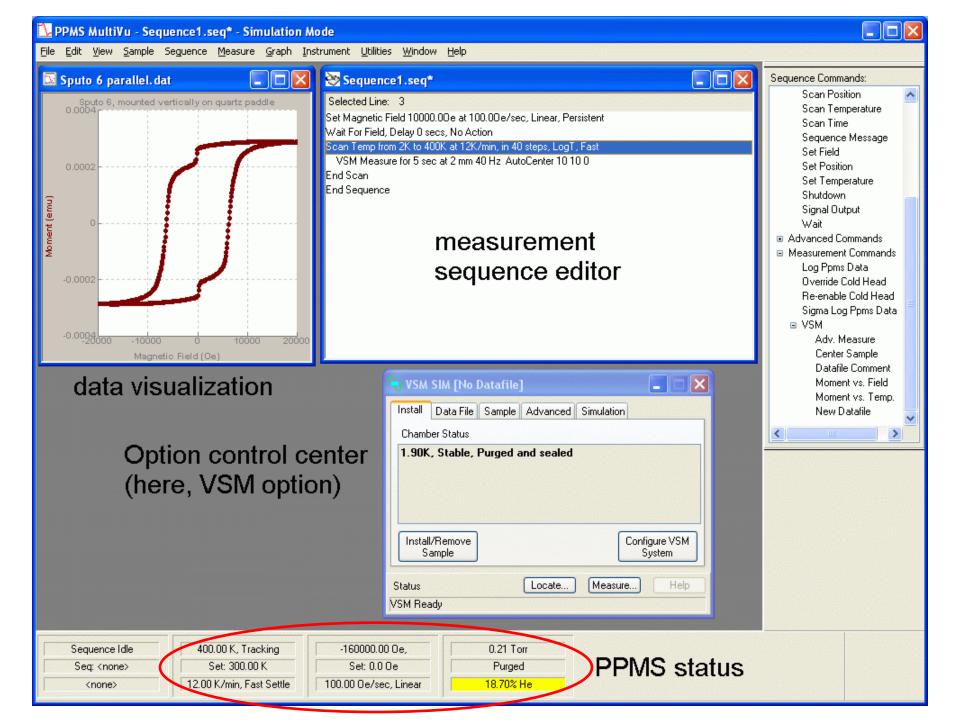




# Unique Cryostat Design

- Vacuum Space
- Cooling Annulus
- Sample Insertion Tool
- Sample "Puck"
- Sealed Sample Chamber
- 12-pin Connector





## wiring on sample chamber

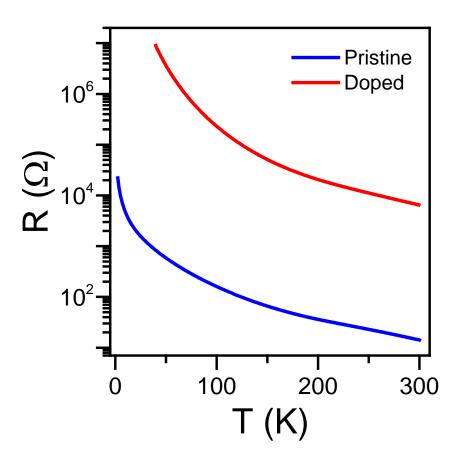
- twisted pairs of low resistance Cu alloy
  - running in annulus → thermal exchange w/ He gas
  - roundtrip resistance from Lemo connector ~1.1 ohm
- each wire
  - 1m of length
  - 0.32mm diameter
  - approx. 100 pF capacitance to ground
- ratings
  - 50 V DC max
  - 500 mA max continuous
- ...or make your own probe!



## Birck Research Data thus far...

#### From Koushik Ramadoss (S. Ramanathan, Materials Engineering)

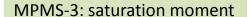
Thin films of SmNiO3 on LaAlO3 – Four wire resistance measurement

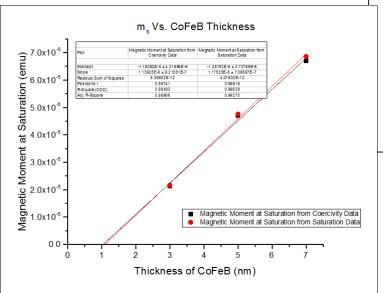


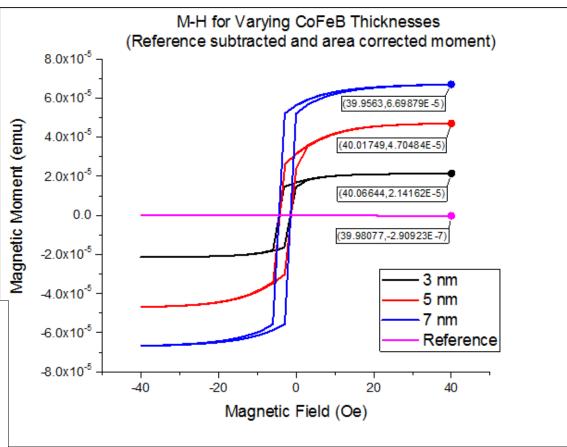
Increase in resistance by 3 orders of magnitude with doping. Data taken at B= 0 T

PPMS: QD transport (ETO)

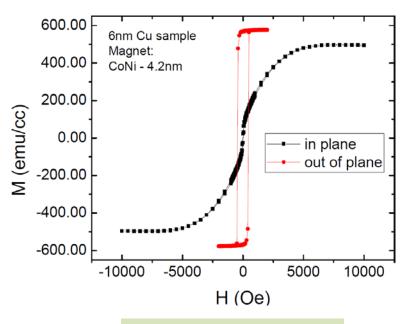
#### From Bradlee Beauchamp (E. Marinero)



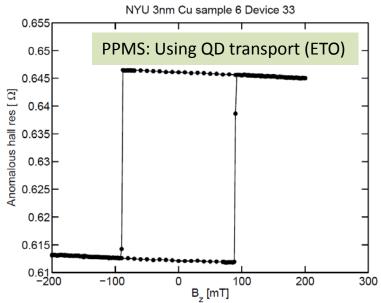


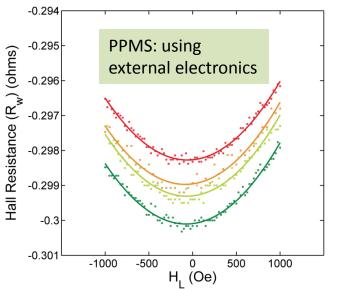


#### From Ashish Penumatcha (J. Appenzeller)



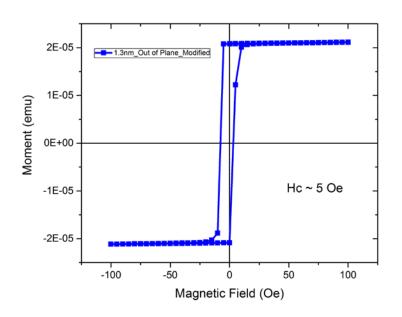
MPMS-3: anisotropy study

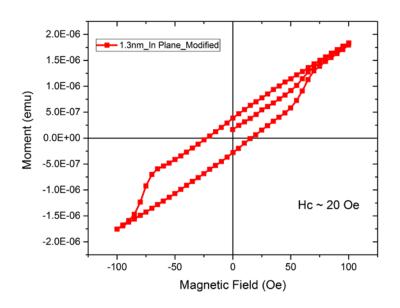




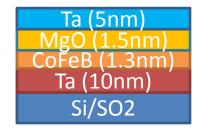


#### From TingTing Shen (J. Appenzeller)



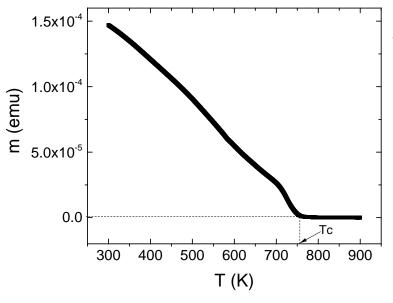


1.3nm CoFeB\_PMA!
Saturation magnetization Ms ~ 817 emu/cc



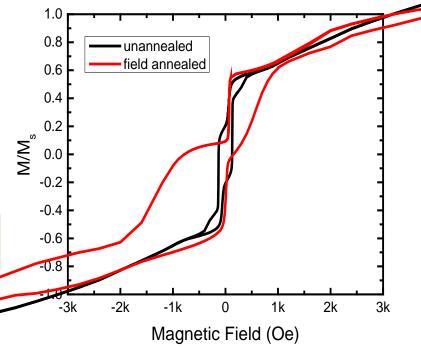
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#### From Punyashloka Debashis (Z. Chen)

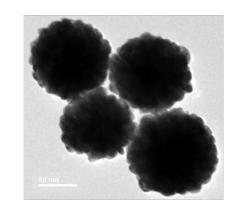


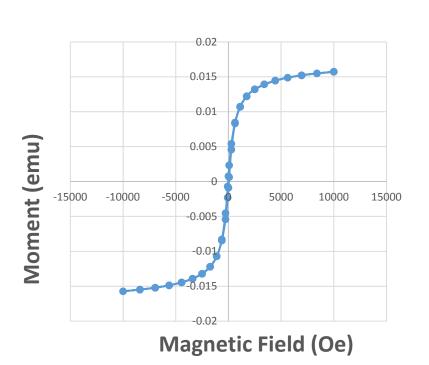
m vs. T at 10 Oe external field for a 25nm thick Permalloy film on  $Si_3N_4$ .

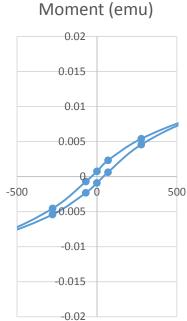










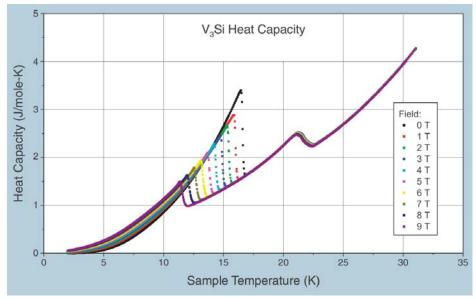


Sample	$M_{\rm S}$ (emu/g)
LL-140-1	1.6
LL-140-2	3.9
LL-150-1	0.3
LL-150-2	6.0

Sample weights (powder): 0.4 - 2.5 mg  $M_S$  values range from 0.3 - 6.0 emu/g

# Further possibilities

#### **Heat Capacity**



#### Also...

- \*Torque Magnetometry
- \*50 mK Dilution Refrigerator
- \*custom probes

