

**Acceleration of Polarized Electrons in ELSA,**  
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University - The stretcher ring ELSA at Bonn University  
provides external electron beams with high duty factor in  
the energy range between 0.5 and 3.5 GeV. New medium  
energy physics experiments starting in 1998 (e.g. to  
measure the GDH-sumrule) will require a polarized electron  
beam. The polarized electrons are produced in a dedicated  
source using the photo effect with circularly polarized laser  
light on a GaAs superlattice crystal. To conserve the  
polarization degree throughout the energy ramp up to  
maximum beam energy it is necessary to cross and correct  
for several depolarizing resonances. Recently polarized  
electrons have been accelerated up to 2.0 GeV. The  
achieved polarization degree is sufficient for the planned  
experiments. Details of the measurements concerning  
depolarizing resonances are given and compared to  
simulations with emphasis on the effects due to synchrotron  
radiation.