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Two NICA-RFBS grants with participation of the Landau Institute:

- 1. High-p_t physics: Landau-Pomeranchuck Migdal effect and related phenomena (Dr. B.G. Zakharov and collaborators)
- 2. Weak parity violation in high energy hadronic interactions (Landau-Budker Inst. Collaboration: Yu. Shatunov, I. Koop, A. Milstein, N. Nikolaev et al.)

The goal: theoretical analysis of feasibility of a missing test of the SM in the pure nonleptonic sector and formulation of the optimal experimental scheme. The observable: pA & dA total cross section vs. the beam helicity. Still another option: proton to neutron charge exchange promising higher sensitivity to parity violation --- needs much more scrutiny.

The early attempts:

- 1. Tons of low energy data: radiative polarized neutron capture and fission, total cross section rtc. First observed by Abov & Krupchitzky et al in 1964. Can be reasonably well accounted for by the meson exchange and effective field theory approaches.
- 2. ANL ZGS 1984, the observed AL=(2.65±0.60±0.36)×10⁻⁶ for 6 GeV protons on the water target by at least one order in magnitude exceeds theoretical expectations.