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AM HERCULIS AT THE LOW STATE: THE CIRCULAR POLARIZATION DISAPPEARED

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ABSTRACT. Recent behaviour of the magnetic close binary star AM Herculis shows that the accretion geometry has undergone significant changes and is much more complicated than that described by the "standard model". At the low state in 1990 we practically saw neither significant circular polarization, nor flickering activity, which are usually present at higher luminosities. The spectral power index for the rapid variability depends on luminosity.