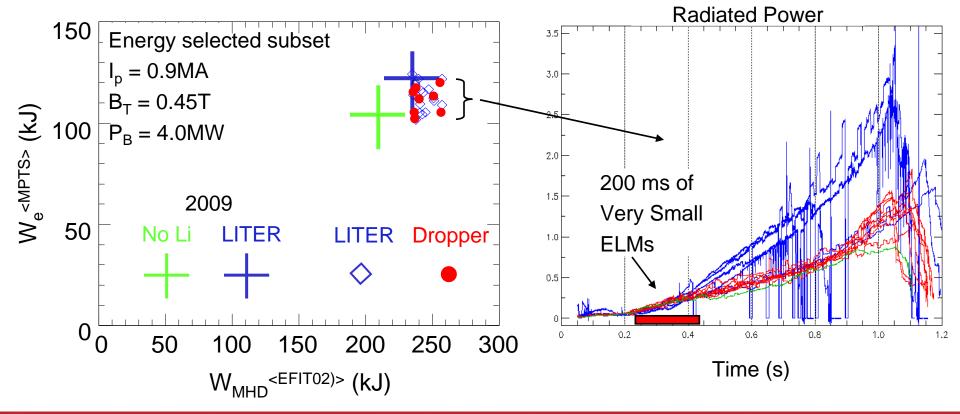
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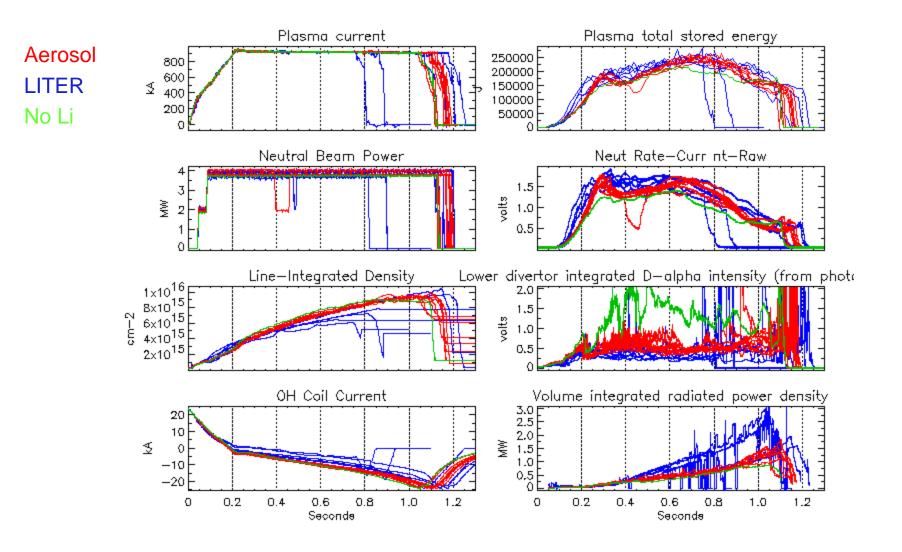
• It was easier to get ELM-free conditions with LITER as compared to Dropper

However,

• ELM-free Dropper shots had less radiated power than their LITER counterparts and only slightly more radiated power than No-Li shots



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ProposaI: Use Li aerosol to compliment LITER in order to:

- (a) Understand the source of High-Z impurities
 (b) Optimize low radiation ELM free discharges (w/we
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<u>Hypothesis (1)</u>: Aerosol droplets in the SOL somehow impede the influx of high-Z impurities. Need Mechanism. (1) Li target for bad beam ions (2) other

<u>Hypothesis (2)</u>: Just a few, early, very small ELMs are needed to purge high-Z impurities that enter before H-mode.

Run plan:

- (1) LITER to eliminate ELMs standard fiducial configuration
- (2) Start aerosol injection Bays I & C watch for reduced Prad

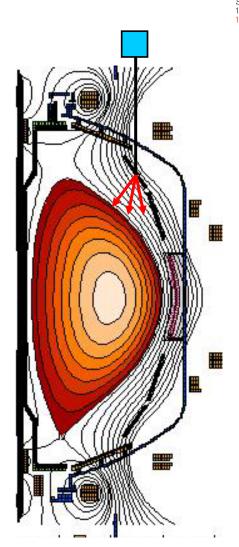
If Prad reduced – use only Bay I

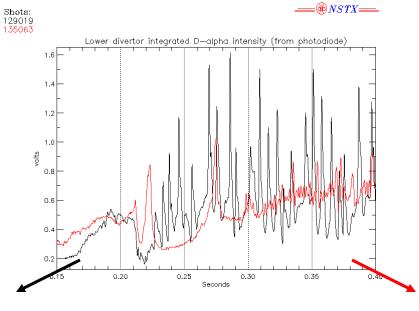
repeat with only Bay C

(3) If no reduced Prad, trigger high-freq ELMs, 250-450 ms – watch Prad If no reduced Prad, try aerosol as well as early ELMs

Run time: 1 Day

Can Impurities be Purged from the Core by Allowing Early Elms with Shaping and Eliminating Later ELMs with Aerosol ?

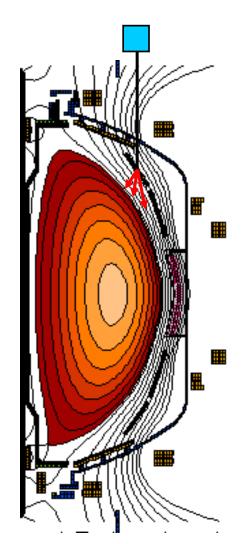




Switch @ 350 ms

Switch from low δ to higher δ during discharge with Dropper on

Impurities flushed from plasma early –
 ELMs then shut off and plasma remains clean



<u>Proposal</u>: Run low δ plasma on bull nose tiles with LLD cold and Dropper on. This should result in large ELMs – thus purging the plasma of impurities. At 350 ms, switch to higher δ operation. This could result in smaller disappearing ELMs and possibly to a high confinement ELM-free plasma with low radiated power.

<u>Conjecture</u>: A few Large ELMs early in the discharge will be enough to purge the core of high-Z impurities and the aerosol droplets in the SOL will allow the plasma to remain clean.

Run Plan:

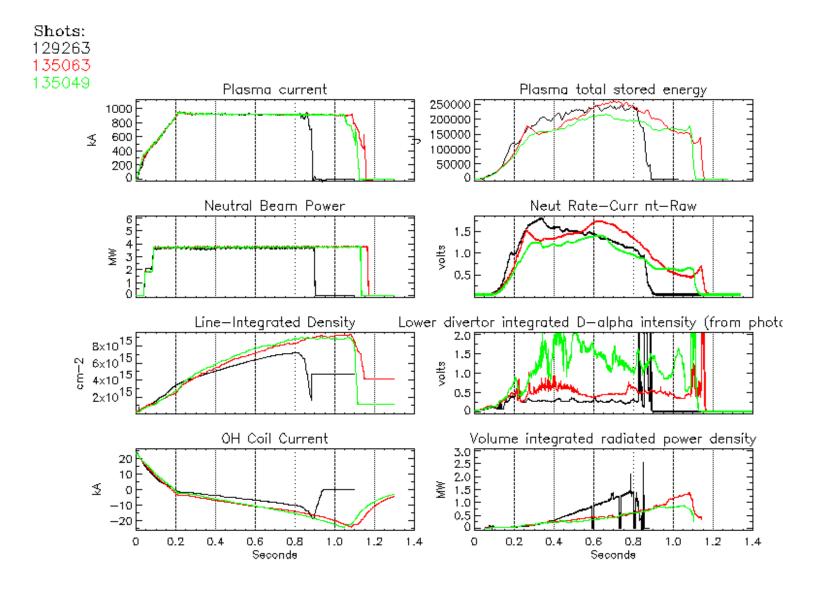
- (1) Make ELMing discharges on bull nose tile LLD cold, no active lithium
- (2) Switch to standard fiducial at 350 ms
- (3) Repeat with Dropper on (Bays I & C) watch Prad

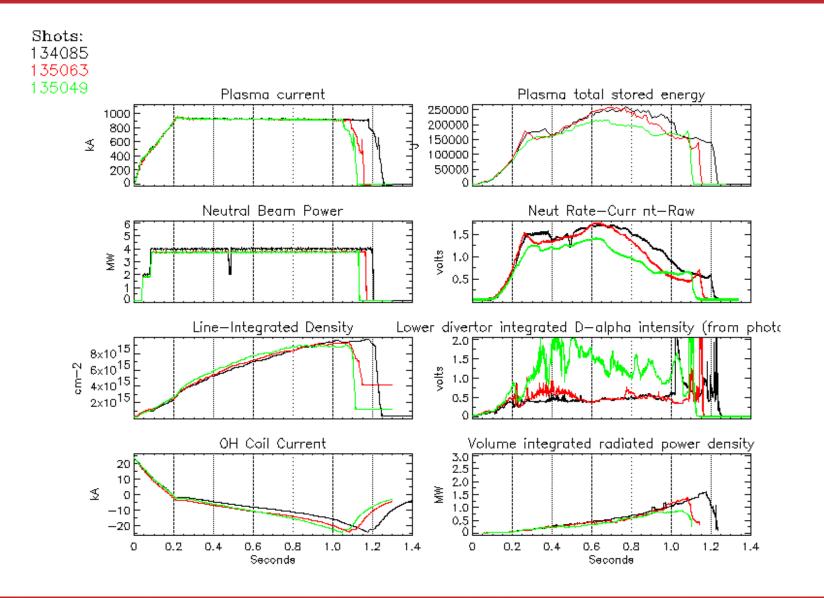
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EXTRA SLIDES

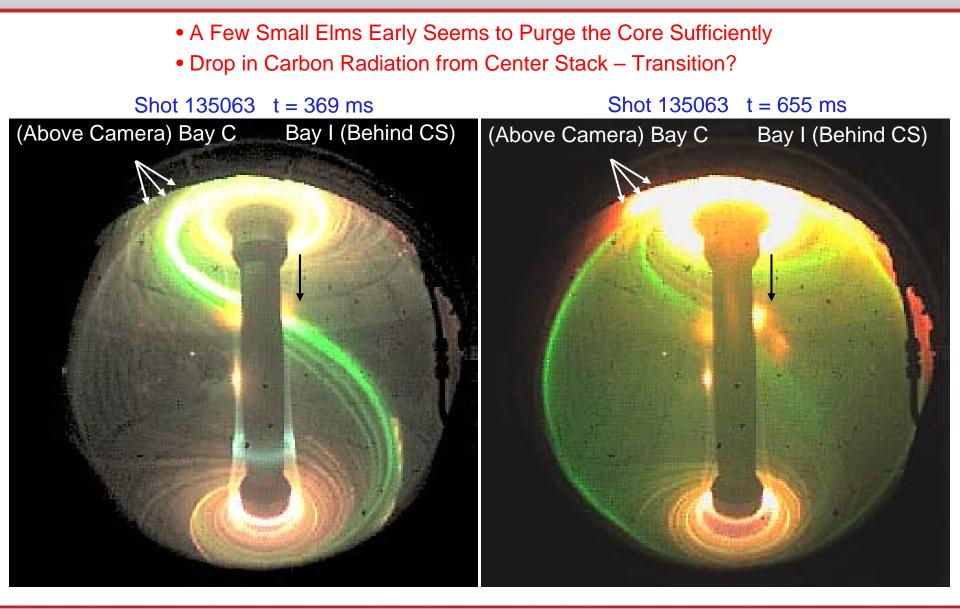


Can/Should ELMs be Eliminated Slowly?

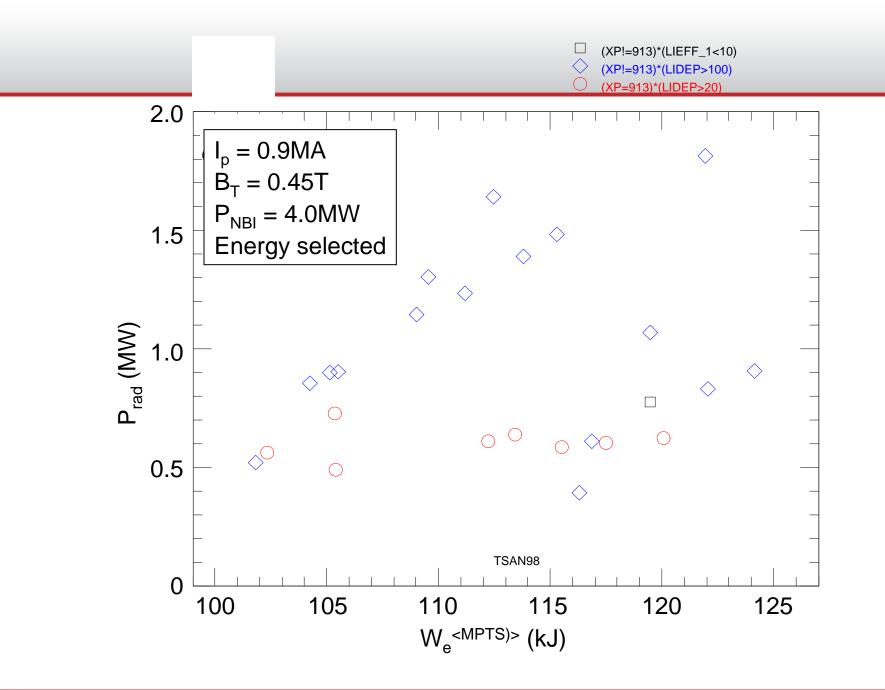


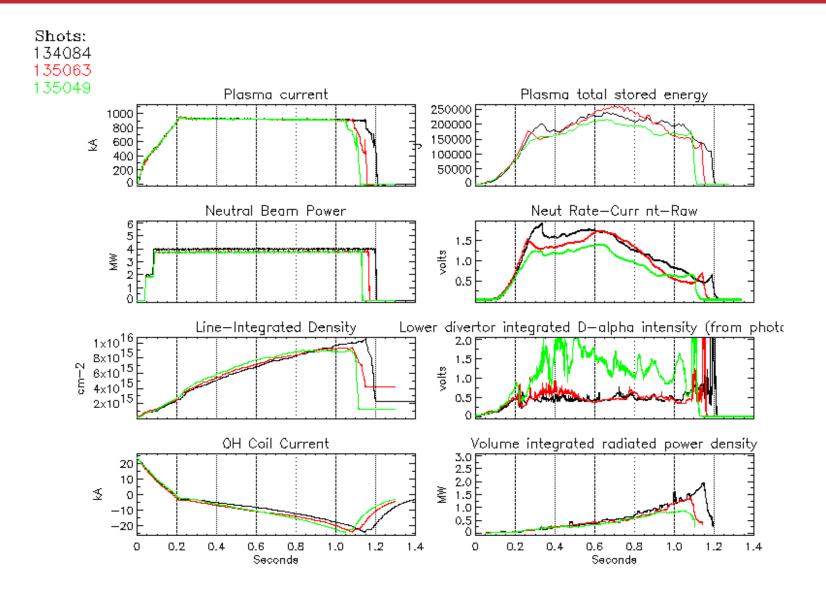


Shot 135063: Enhanced Confinement, No Elms, Low Prad

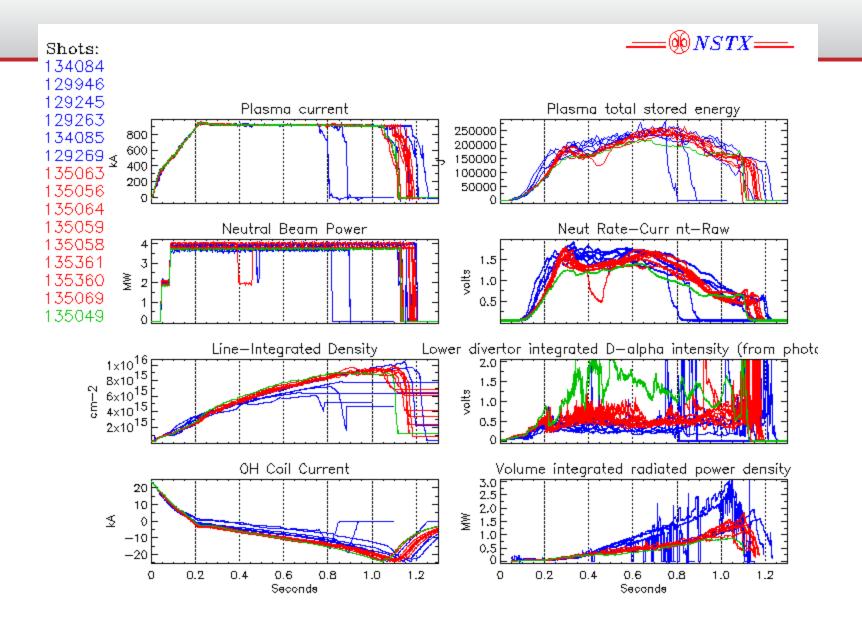












Three Sources of Li from Droppers

Shot 135063 @ 79 ms

Bay I Li Particles

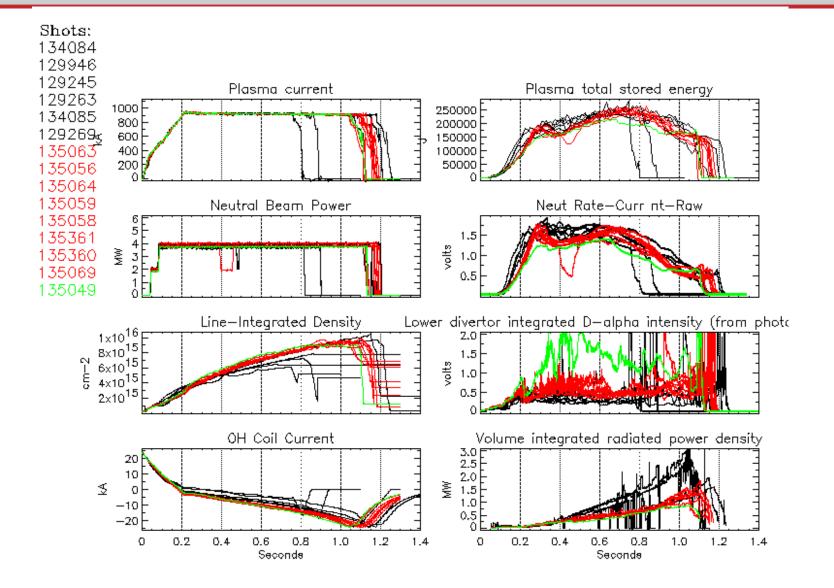
Pre-Positioned Li Particles



Bay C

Li Particles

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Li Dropper Locations and Trajectories on NSTX Allow a Variety of Injection Scenarios

Bay C Dropper Bay I Dropper Particles Drop Particles Scatter Straight Down off Splash Plate Into SOL (45 degree) 0 Li Droplets on Li Droplets Into -2 **Plasma SOL NSTX Center Stack** at Breakdown at t = 25 ms0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 0 Using Bay C Unit **Using Bay I Unit** R(m)