

# **Research Operations Division Boundary Physics (H. Kugel)**

- Installation of LLD plates and intergap diagnostic tiles completed
- Installed control system and cabling

Micrograph of porous Mo layer



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- Development of control software and operational interface continues
- The LLD controls Preliminary Test Procedure started
  - Now resolving heater isolation issues identified during test



### Research Operations Division Boundary Physics [2]

- Lithium Evaporators
  - Performed autopsies on 2 LITERs from the 2007-2009 campaigns
    - Analysis of contents in progress at Purdue U.
  - ▶ Fabricating 2 additional LITERs (4 total) for rapid turnaround reloading
- Other LLD Diagnostics
  - ▶ 2 fast cameras installed on re-entrant ports for 360° view of LLD
  - Installing a 20-radial-channel divertor-viewing spectrometer
- Relocated Divertor Edge Sample Probe (Purdue U.) from Bay-J to Bay-K
- CDR for Materials Analysis Particle Probe to succeed edge probe in 2011
- Received results of Ion Beam Analysis on tiles exposed in 2009 (SNL)



#### Research Operations Division Diagnostics (R. Kaita, B. Stratton)

- Beam Emission Spectroscopy (U. Wisc)
  - In-vessel installation complete; viewing optics aligned and calibrated
  - Expected to complete fiber input assemblies by end of year
  - Fiber bundles ready for installation in January
  - Data acquisition system installation underway
  - Expecting delivery of first detector box in early January
  - Plan to start commissioning with plasmas in March
- MSE-LIF (Nova)
  - ▶ FDR for mechanical design on Dec. 9
  - Complete design of electrical services this winter.
  - Good progress preparing to install DNB and laser on NSTX
  - Plan to install system during next shutdown



### Research Operations Division Diagnostics [2]

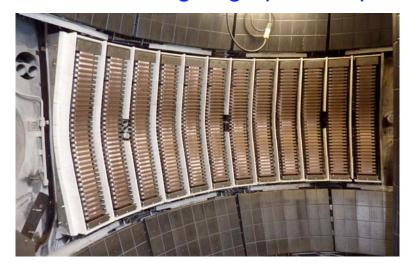
- MPTS Phase 4 Upgrade
  - ▶ 12 new channels, primarily covering pedestal and ITB regions
  - ▶ FDR on Dec. 18
  - Major procurements underway
  - Installation to occur during next shutdown
- Completed final in-vessel calibrations of diagnostics
  - Neutron counters, high-k scattering (mirror remote control) and MPTS
  - ▶ Spatial and "white plate" calibrations of CHERS, PCHERS, ERD, FIDA
- New or improved diagnostics for LLD experiments
  - Fast visible and IR cameras, high-density Langmuir probe array, and Lyman-alpha detector array
- Performance of diagnostics with LLD requires careful monitoring



### Research Operations Division RF systems (J. Hosea)

- Removed lithium coating on antenna from 2009 run
  - Keep antenna lithium free by routine conditioning, high power operation





- Aiming for coupled RF powers up to 5 MW
- Planned HHFW XPs aimed at
  - discharge startup and maintenance capability
  - optimizing heating of H-modes
  - understanding heat deposition on outer divertor during HHFW heating
  - fast-ion behavior with HHFW application



## Research Operations Division Physics Operations (D. Mueller)

- Preparing control system for return to operation
  - Develop new fiducial shots taking LLD into account
  - Improve OSP control and incorporate this in regular operation
    - Aim for simultaneous X-point height and OSP control
  - Develop outer squareness control with PF4
    - Analyzing limitations on simultaneous PF4 & PF5 operation
  - Prepare for experiments with "snowflake" divertor
    - Desirable to have bipolar PF2 capability

#### Do you want experiments to go your way? Do you need a challenge?

- Planning a Physics Operator training course Jan 25 29
  - Lectures, hands-on training and initial supervised operation

#### Contact Dennis Mueller before Jan 20 to register