

# Tools For Developing Advanced Spherical Tokamak Plasmas in NSTX

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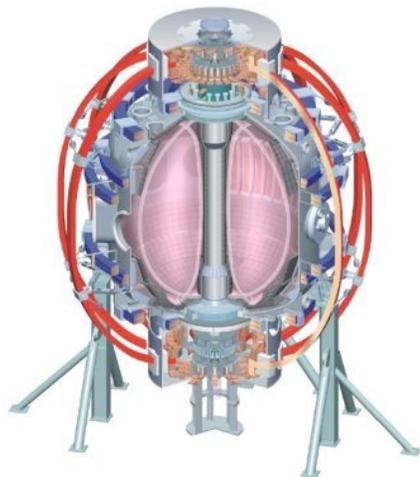
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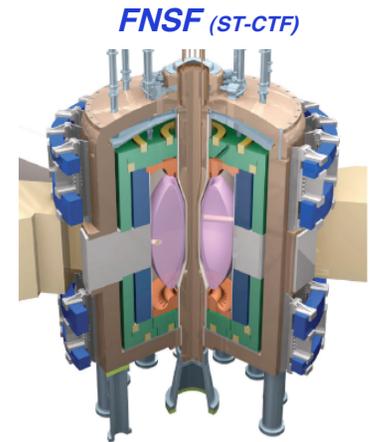
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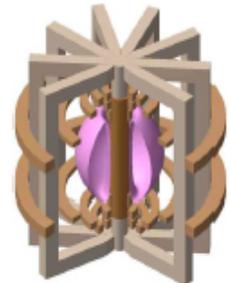
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# Scenario Development Research in NSTX Focused on Needs of Next-Step Devices

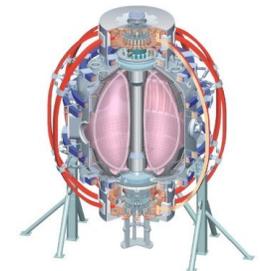
- Next-step STs are envisioned to provide important engineering and physics knowledge for fusion energy:
  - ST Fusion Nuclear Science Facility
    - Develop fusion nuclear science.
    - Test nuclear components for Demo
    - Sustain  $W_{\text{neutron}} \sim 0.2-0.4 \rightarrow 1-2\text{MW/m}^2$ ,  $\tau_{\text{pulse}} = 10^3 \rightarrow 10^6\text{s}$
  - ST Plasma Material Interface Facility
    - Develop long-pulse PMI solutions for FNSF / Demo.
    - High  $P_{\text{heat}}/S \sim 1\text{MW/m}^2$ , high  $T_{\text{wall}}$ ,  $\tau_{\text{pulse}} \sim 10^3\text{s}$
  - Both facilities make use of the compact ST geometry to fulfill their missions.
    - Both are steady state.
- NSTX scenario develop research:
  - Maximize the non-inductive current fraction in high- $\beta$  plasmas.
  - Study the stability, transport, and overall performance, of plasmas with largely non-inductive current drive.
  - Develop an understanding of the control tools needed to achieve these configurations.



*PMIF (NHTX)*

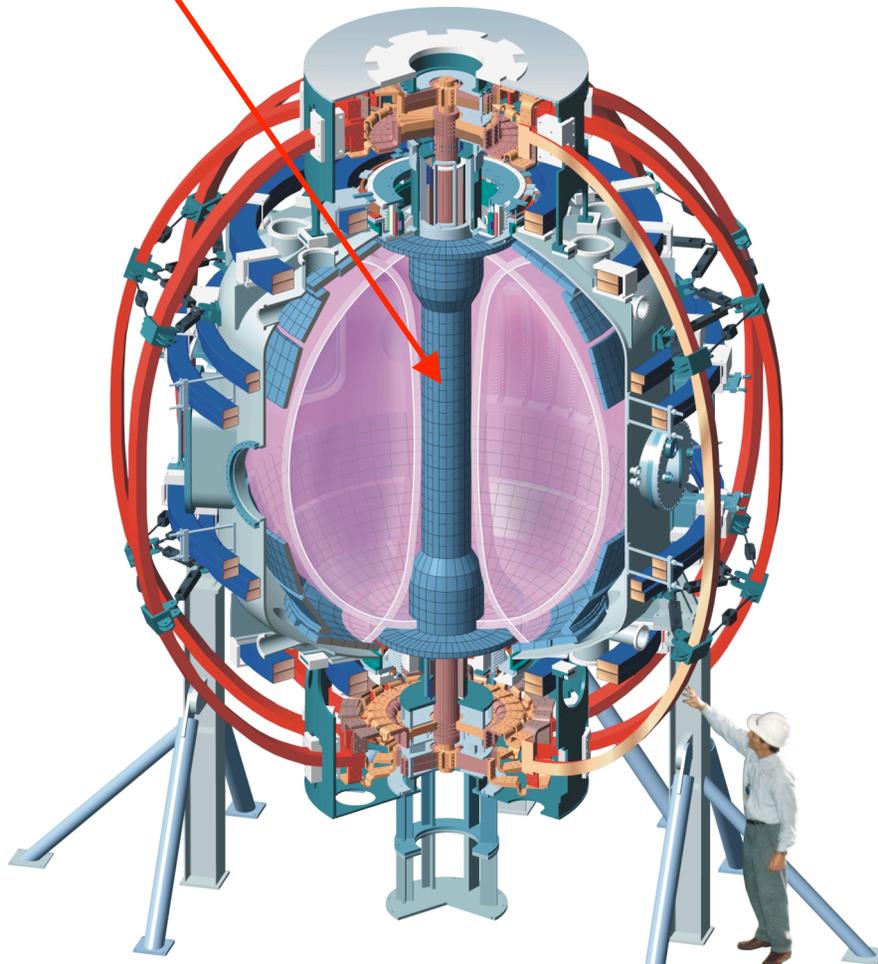


*NSTX*



# NSTX Designed to Study High-Temperature Toroidal Plasmas at Low Aspect-Ratio

*Slim center column  
with TF, OH coils*



Aspect ratio $A$	1.27 – 1.6
Elongation $\kappa$	1.8 – 3.0
Triangularity $\delta$	0.3 – 0.85
Toroidal Field $B_{T0}$	0.35 – 0.55 T
Plasma Current $I_p$	$\leq 1.5$ MA
Pulse Length	$\leq 2$ sec
Auxiliary heating:	
NBI (100kV)	7 MW
RF (30MHz)	6 MW
Central temperature	1 – 5 keV
Central density	$\leq 1.2 \times 10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}$

# Best NSTX Discharges Achieve CTF-level $\beta_N$ , with Good Confinement and High Non-Inductive Fraction

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*Optimized for largest non-inductive fraction*

$B_T=0.48\text{ T}$

*Pulse length limited by TF coil heating*

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*Optimized for longest pulse*

$B_T=0.375\text{ T}$

Operations and Analysis Tools for Integrated Performance

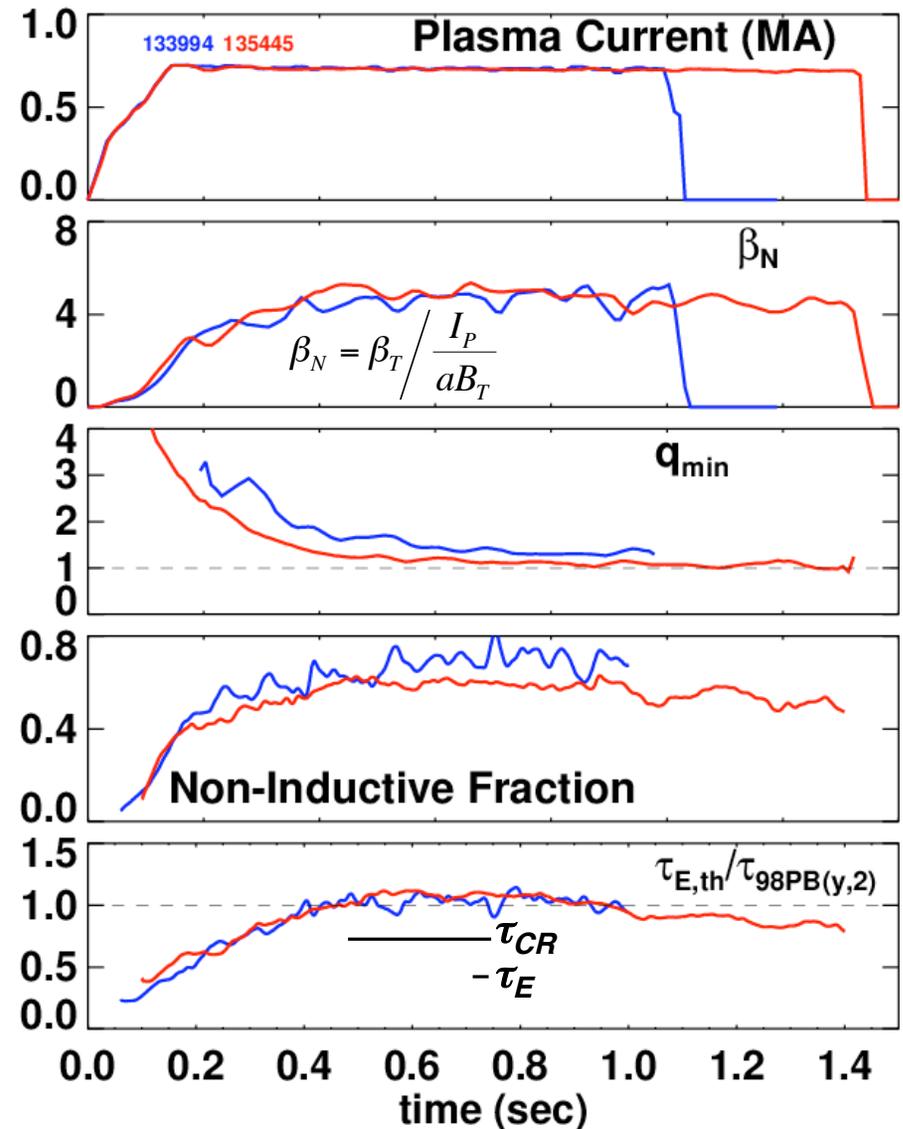
*Plasma Shaping*

*$n=1$  Mode Control*

*Lithium Conditioning*

*Current Profile Analysis*

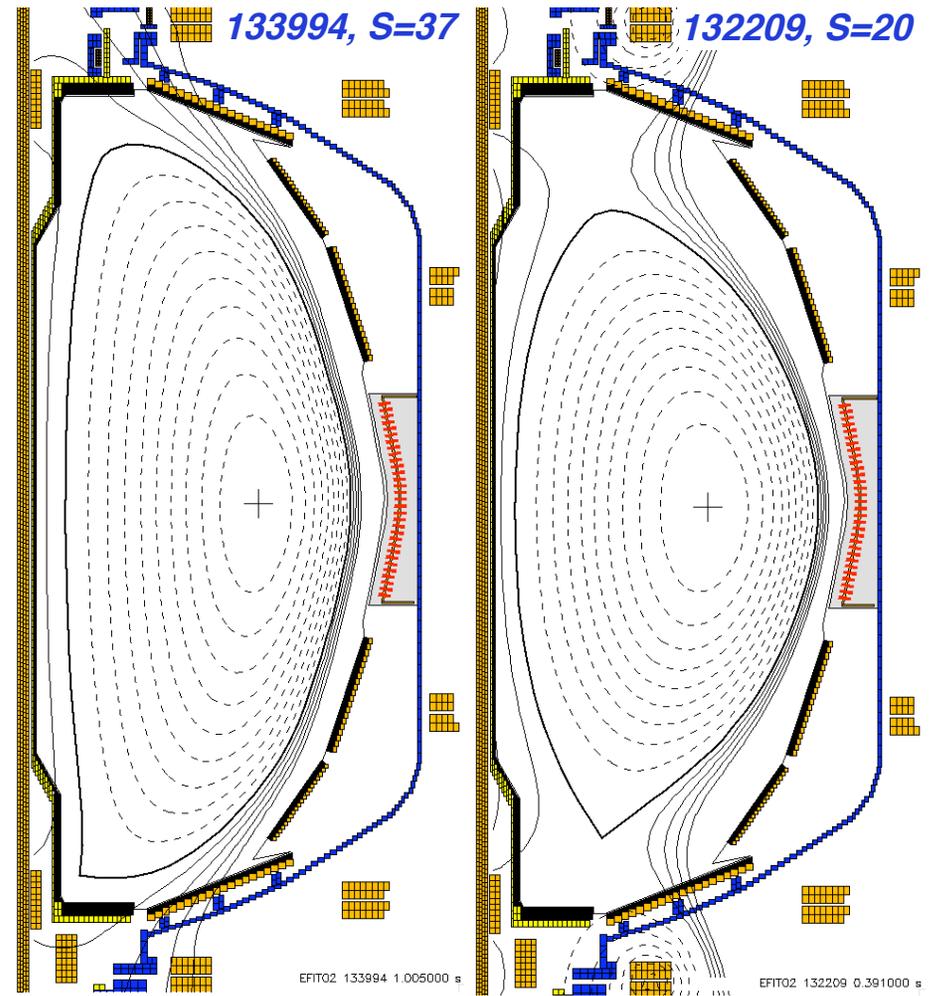
*Future Liquid Lithium Divertor*



# Shaping is Described by the “Shape Parameter” S

- Two important degrees of freedom in axisymmetric plasma boundary shaping.<sup>1</sup>
  - **Elongation**: Increasing elongation increases  $q$ , improving the *kink stability* & increasing *bootstrap currents*.
  - **Triangularity**: Increasing the triangularity causes fields lines to spend more time in the *high-field good-curvature* region.
- “Shape Parameter” S encapsulates both effects.

$$S = \frac{q_{95} I_P}{a B_T} \propto \varepsilon (1 + \kappa^2) f(\kappa, \delta, \varepsilon, \dots)$$



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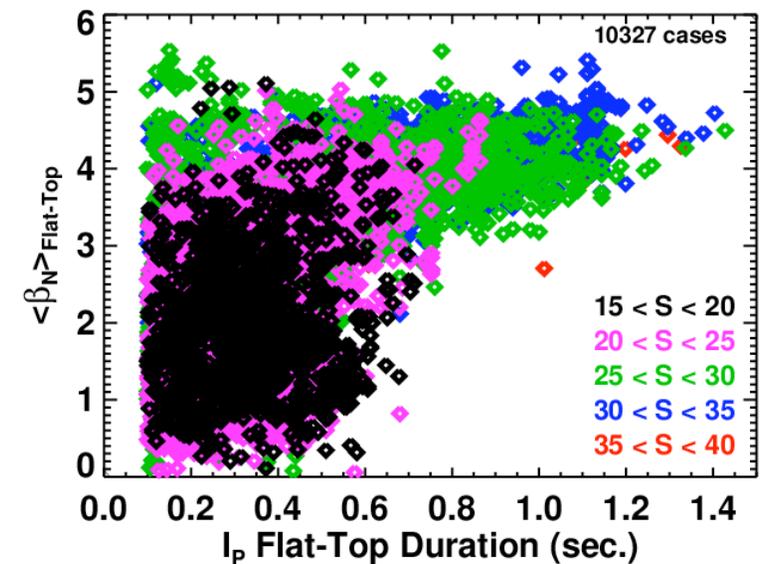
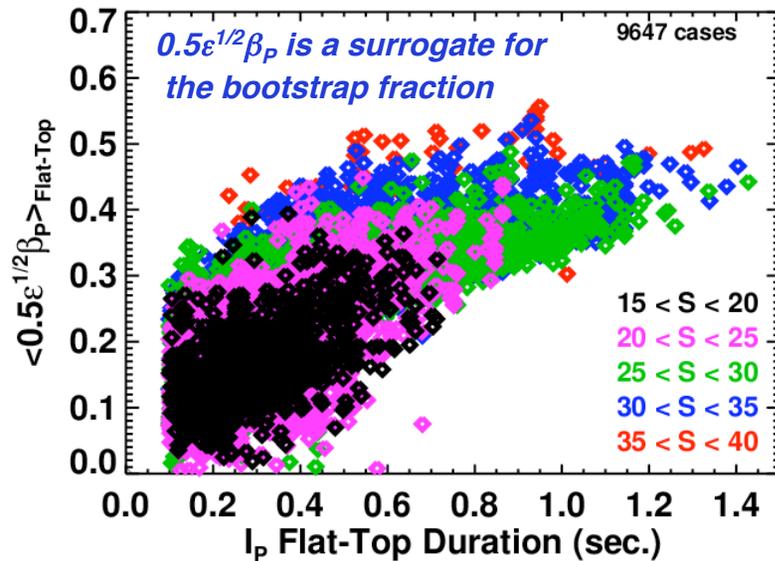
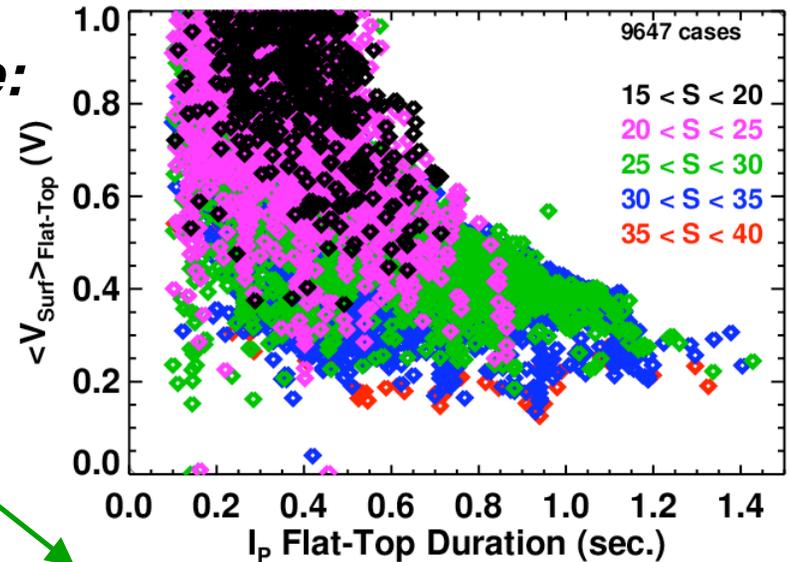
# Strong Plasma Shaping is Important For Sustained High- $\beta$

Large values of shaping help achieve:

*Low surface voltage*

*Long-pulse at high- $\beta_N$*

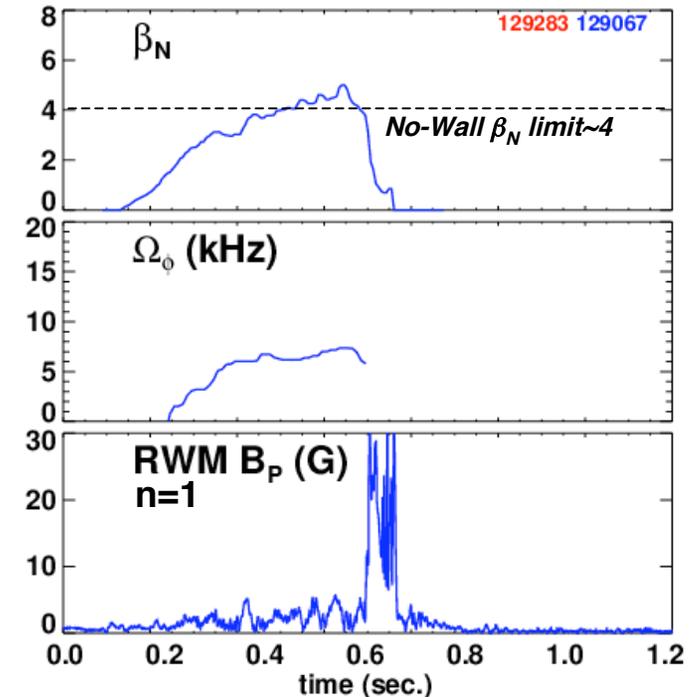
*High bootstrap fraction*



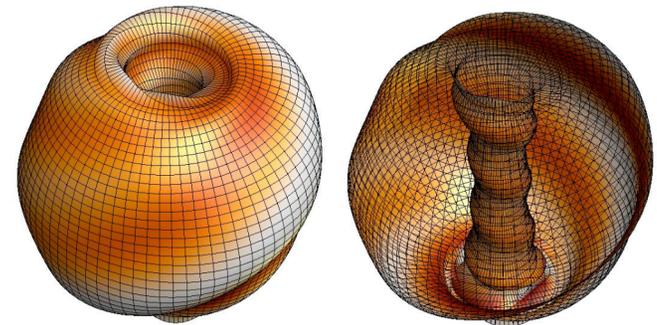
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# Resistive Wall Modes (RWMs) And Error Field Amplification Can Inhibit High- $\beta$ Operation

- The RWM<sup>1</sup> is a branch of the kink-ballooning instability that occurs in the presence of a resistive wall.
  - Slow growth rates:  $\gamma \approx \tau_W$ , 10-15 msec in NSTX.
- Onset of an unstable RWM cause:
  - Severe confinement degradation.
  - Disruption.
- RWMs can be stabilized by rotation + dissipation.
  - Exact physics depends on dissipation model, kinetic effects, and is an area of active research.<sup>2</sup>
- Even stable RWM can cause trouble.
  - Error fields can be amplified by the stable RWM.
  - Resulting plasma response has RWM structure.
  - Plasma-amplified 3-D field leads to rotation braking.
  - Reduced rotation leads to RWM destabilization.



*Distorted Plasma Boundary with an RWM*



[1] S. Sabbagh, et al., *Nuclear Fusion* **46**, 635 (2006)

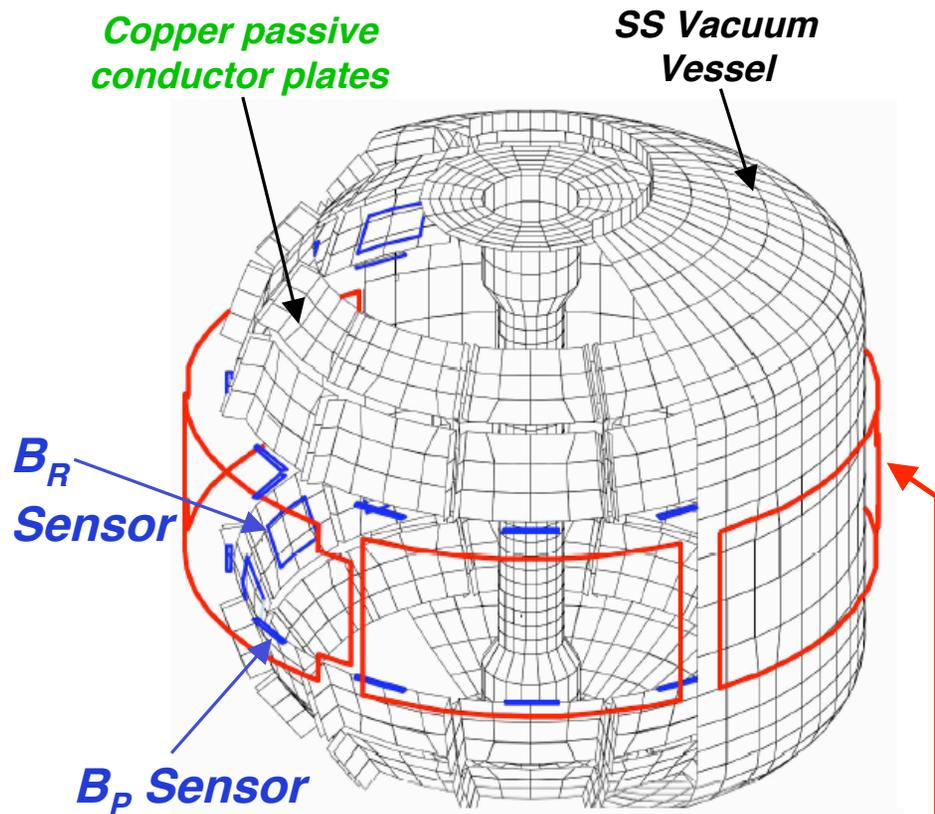
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## **NSTX Solution for Advanced Scenario Experiments**

Maintain rapid rotation using neutral beam injection.

Use active feedback to control **BOTH** the plasma amplified error field and the RWM.

# n=1 Mode Control Provided with Internal Sensors and External Midplane Coils



**6 ex-vessel midplane control coils**

- Copper stabilizing plates to enable high- $\beta$  operation.
- 6 ex-vessel midplane coils.
- 48 Internal sensors for non-axisymmetric fields.
  - 24  $B_R$  for perturbations.
  - 24  $B_p$  for perturbations.
- Use internal sensors to reconstruct an n=1 amplitude ( $B_1$ ) and phase ( $\theta_1$ ) at each time.

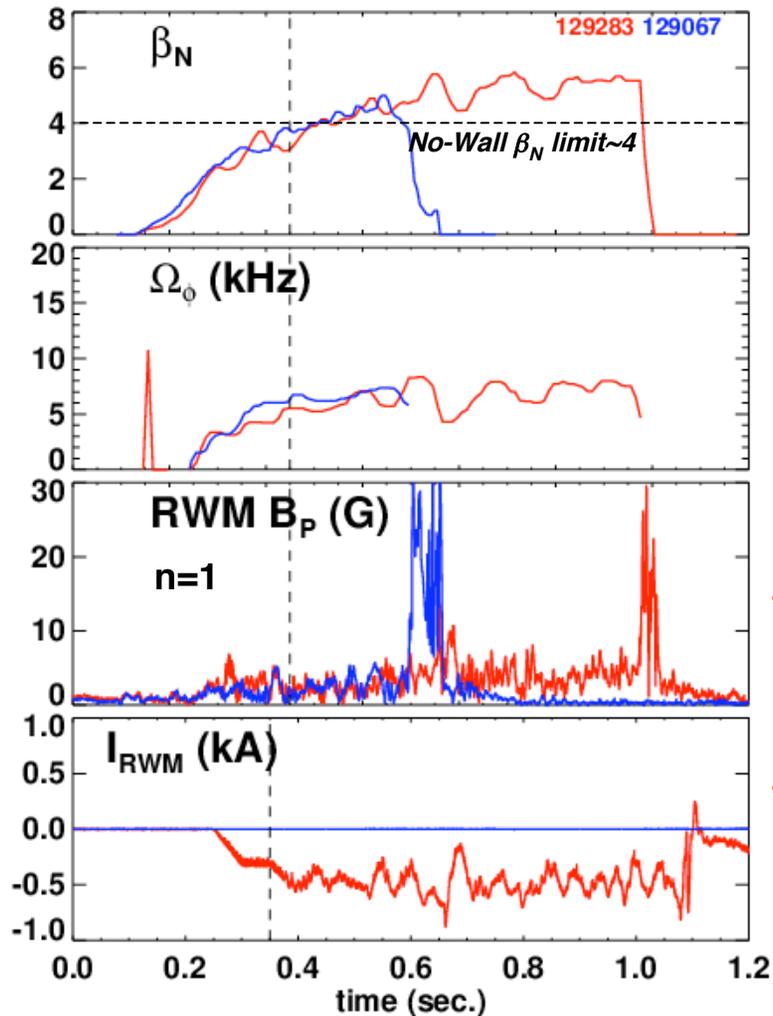
$$B_{RWM}(\phi) = B_1 \cos(\phi - \theta_1)$$

- Apply a phase shifted n=1 field.
  - Feedback Gain  $G$
  - Feedback Phase  $\delta$

$$B_{F.B.}(\phi) = GB_1 \cos(\phi - \theta_1 - \delta)$$

# n=1 Mode Control Enables Reliable Access to Higher $\beta$

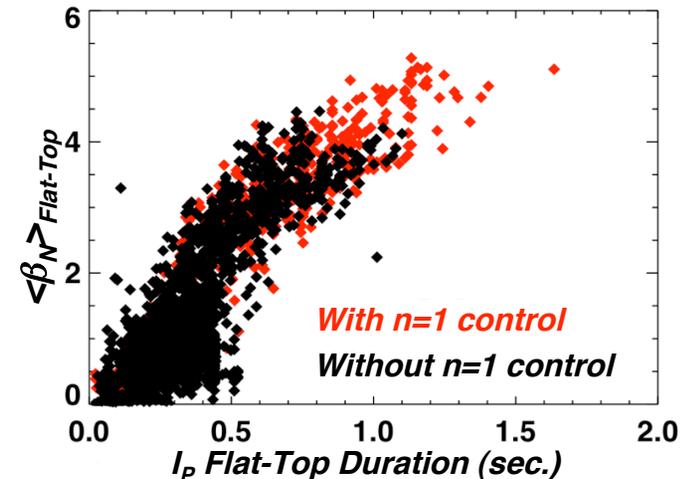
Comparison with & without n=1 control



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Long-Pulse High- $\beta_N$  Facilitated by n=1 Control

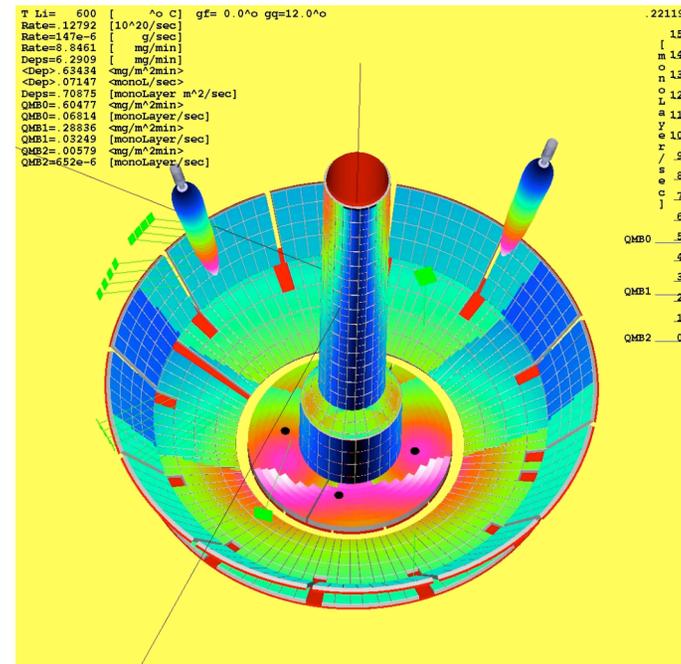
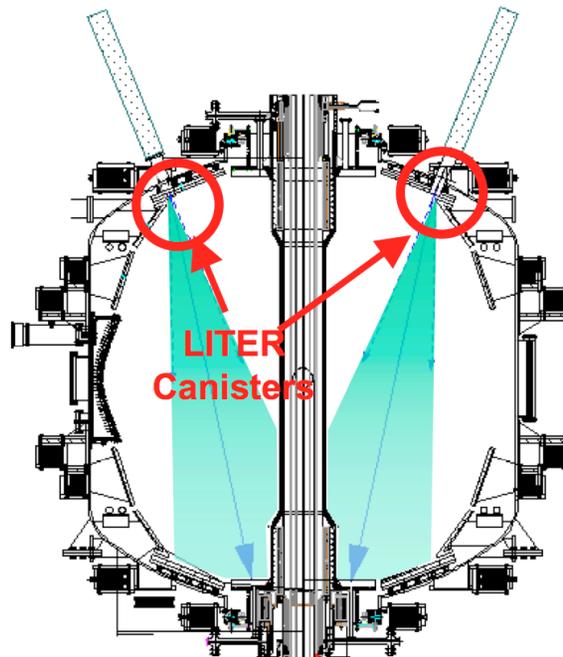


## Why does n=1 control work?

- **Slow Time-Scale:** Use n=1 feedback system to correct the plasma-amplified time varying error fields. This:
  - Helps to sustain rotation, which
  - Helps maintain good confinement and stability.
- **Fast Time-Scale:** Use n=1 feedback system to stabilize growing resistive wall modes.<sup>2</sup>
  - Phase locked RWM is observed with internal sensors
  - Feedback system responds.
  - RWM uncouples from the wall, spins-up as a global kink.
  - Rotating kink either decays away, or (rarely) converts to a tearing instability.

# Lithium Conditioning Provided by Dual Lithium Evaporators

- Two evaporators, separated by  $\sim 150^\circ$  toroidal, deposit solid lithium on graphite PFCs
  - LITER=LITHium EvaporatoR
- Typically deposit 50-300 mg of lithium between discharges.
  - In-situ quartz micro-balance data implies deposited lithium thickness is 5 – 160 nm on inner divertor plate.
- Need 40-60% more gas with Li conditioning to match density evolution.
- Eliminated the need for both helium GDC between discharges and bi-weekly boronization.
  - Also increases shot-to-shot reproducibility and reliability.

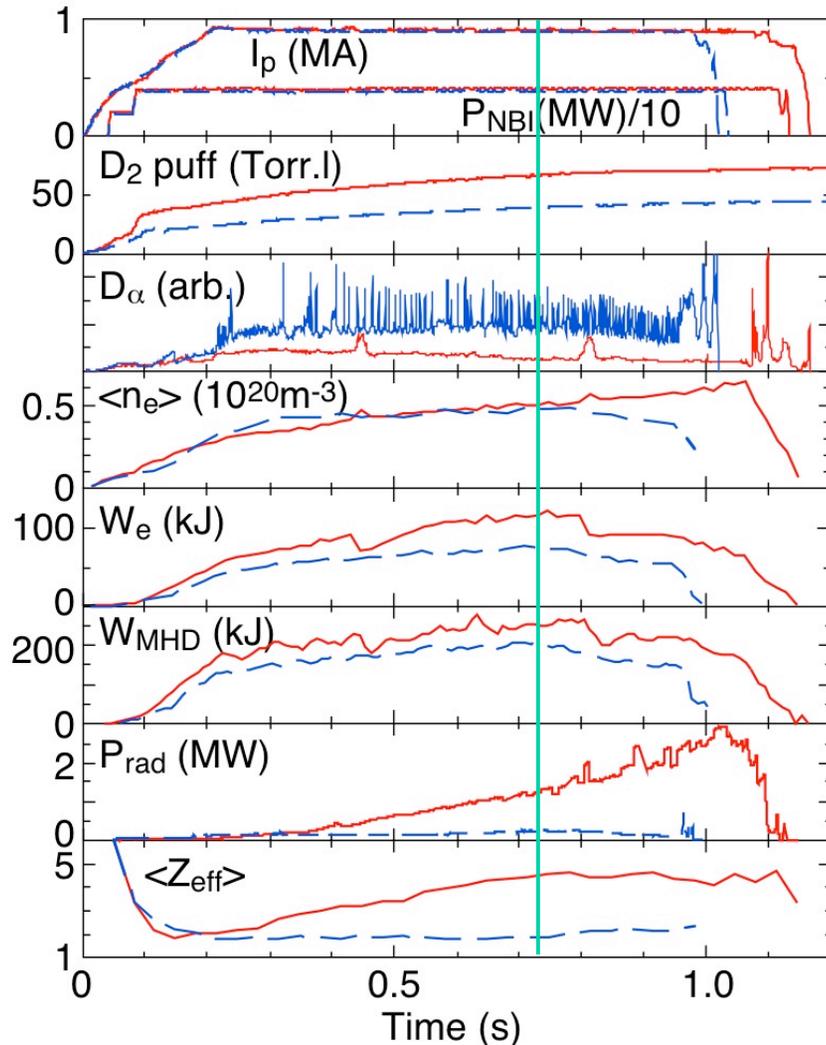


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# Lithium Coating Reduces Deuterium Recycling, Suppresses ELMs, Improves Confinement

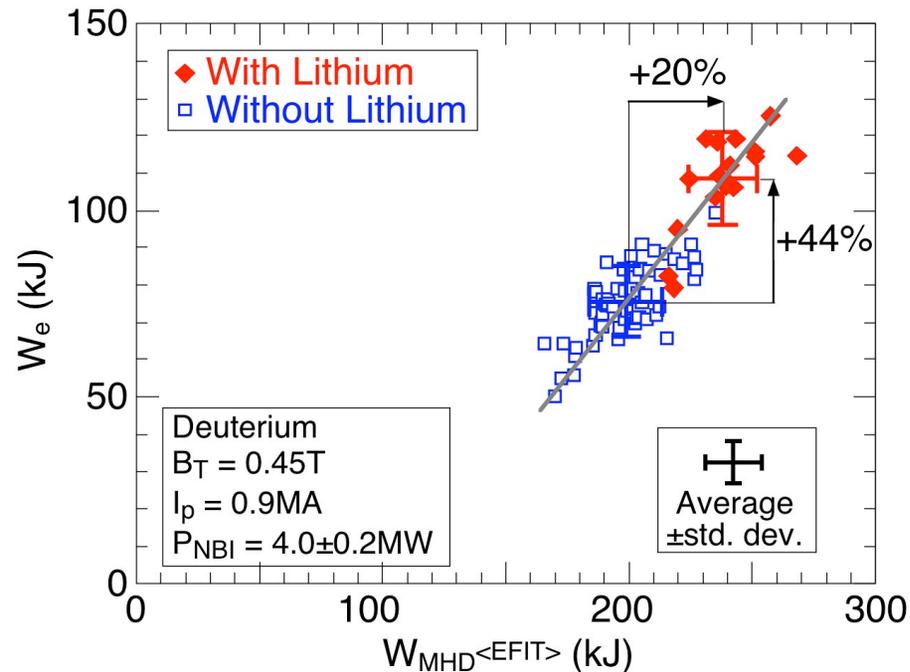
No lithium (129239); **260mg lithium (129245)**



- Same plasma current and heating power.
- 60% more D<sub>2</sub> injection to maintain the same density.
- ELMs are eliminated.
- Both the total and electron stored energy increase with Li conditioning.
- Both  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  and radiated power increase with Li conditioning.
  - Elimination of ELMs allows the plasma to accumulate both carbon and metallic impurities.

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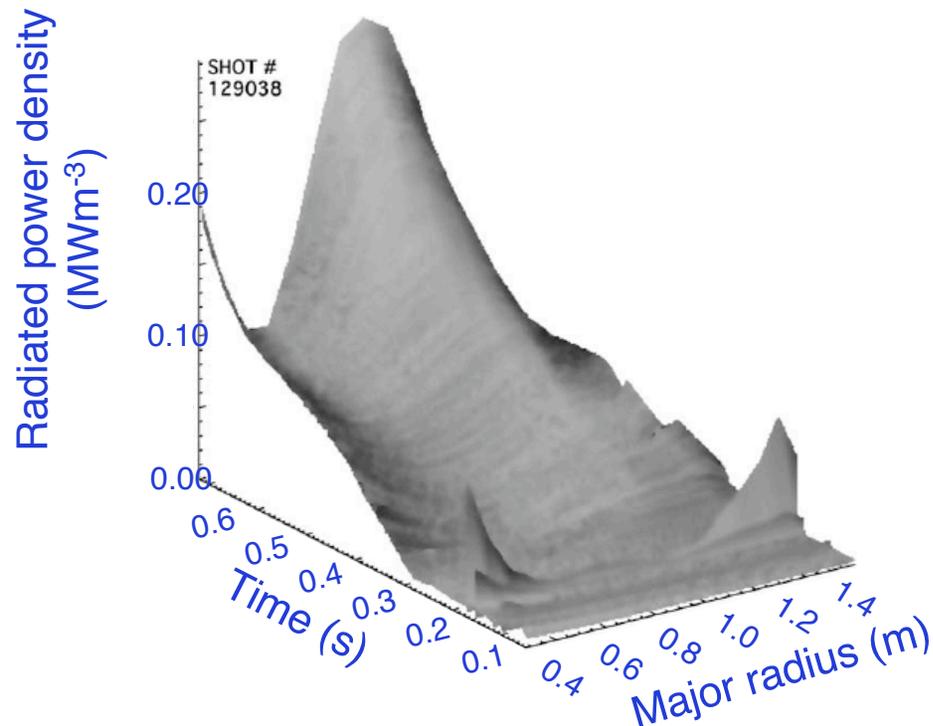


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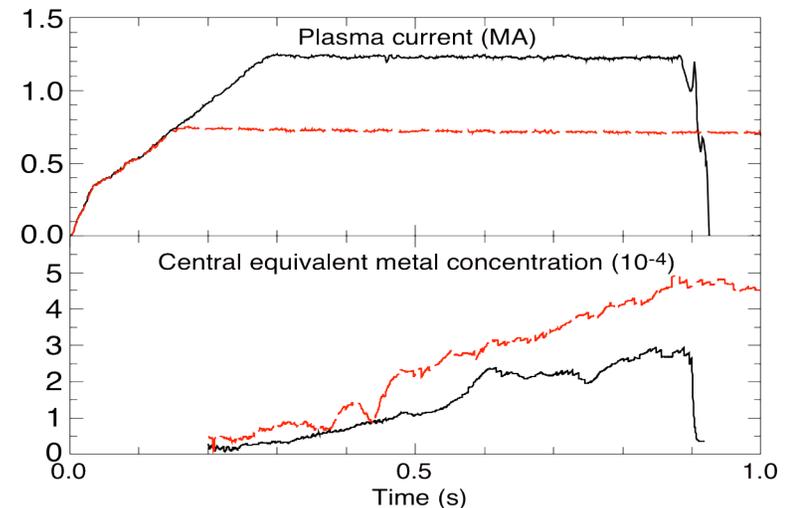
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# ELM-Free H-Mode Leads to Impurity Accumulation

- ELMs are eliminated with lithium conditioning.
  - Modifications to the edge profiles results in modifications to the peeling-ballooning stability boundary.<sup>2</sup>
- Core radiation grows to unacceptable levels.<sup>1</sup>
- Magnitude of apparent metals concentration depends on plasma current.
  - Consistent with sputtering from lost fast-ions being an important impurity source.



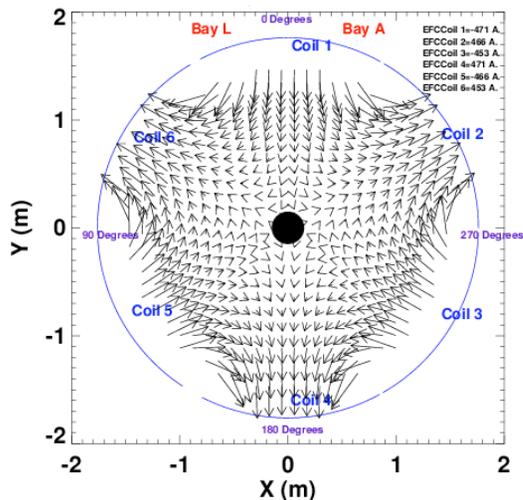
## Apparent Metals Concentration Increases at Reduced Plasma Current



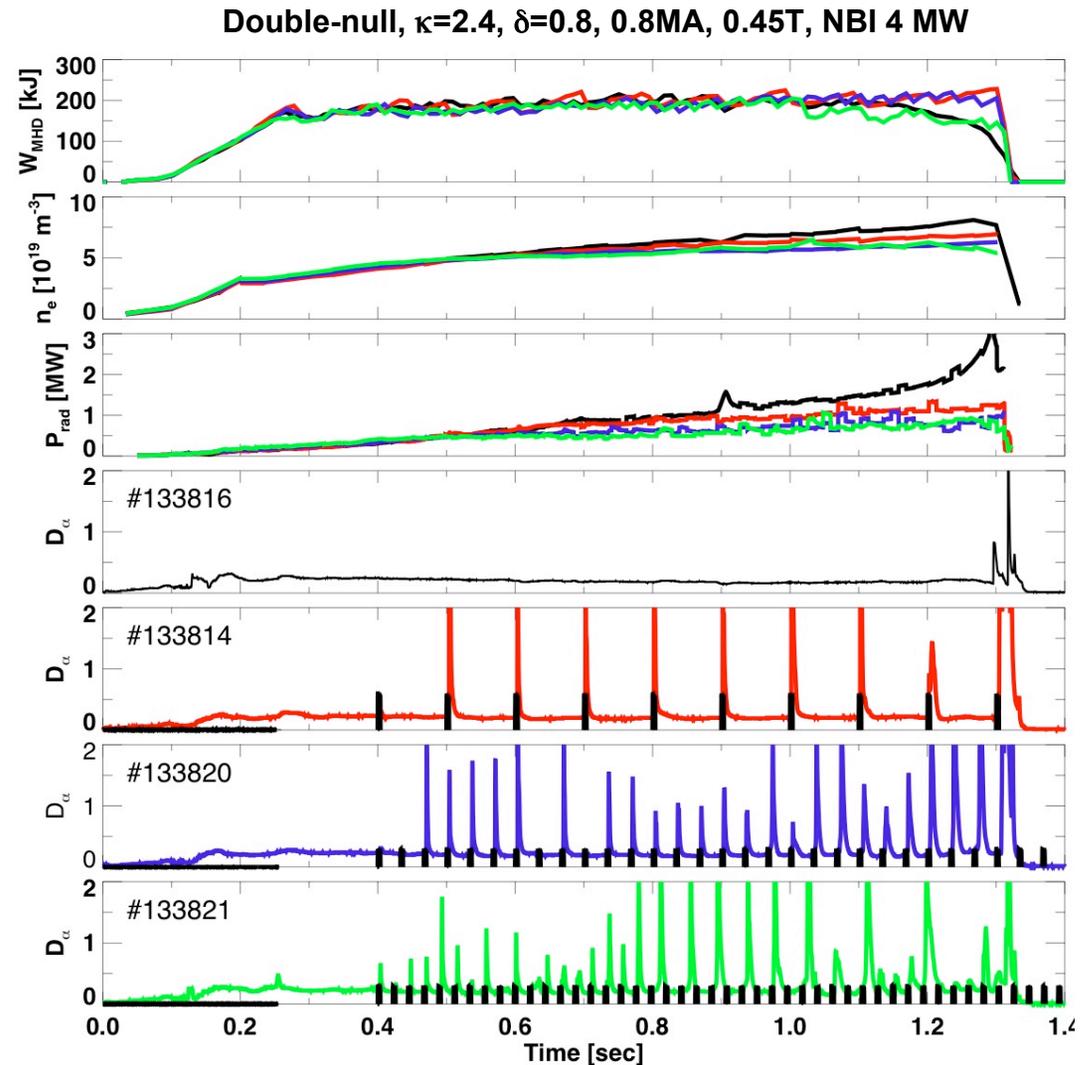
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# Radiated Power Rise Can Be Arrested With Triggered ELMs

- Use 3-D field ( $n=3$ ) pulses to reintroduce ELMs and reduce radiated power.
  - Short duration ( $\sim 3$  msec)
  - Large amplitude ( $\sim 2.5$  kA)
  - Eddy current effects are important on this timescale.



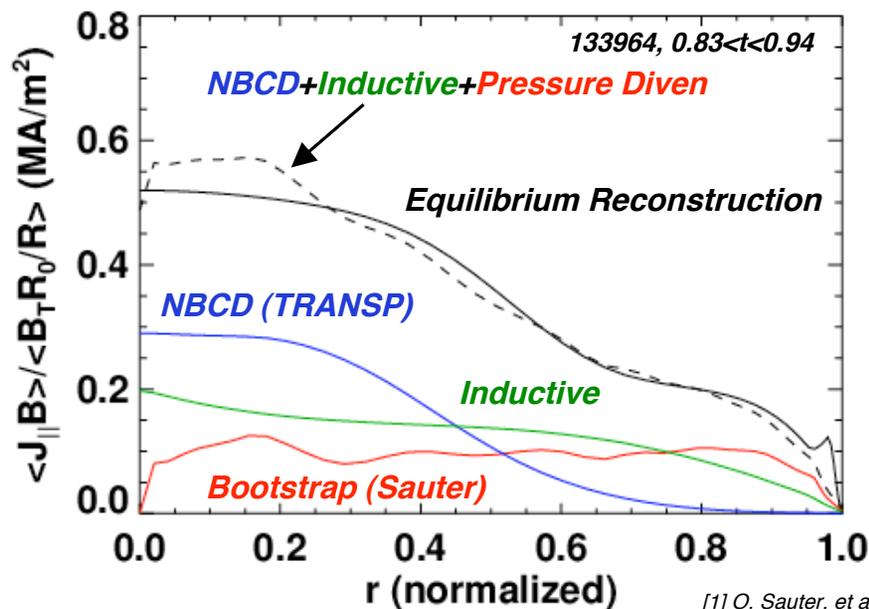
- Reliable ELM triggering from 10-70 Hz.
- Arrested the rise in radiated power and  $Z_{\text{eff}}$ .



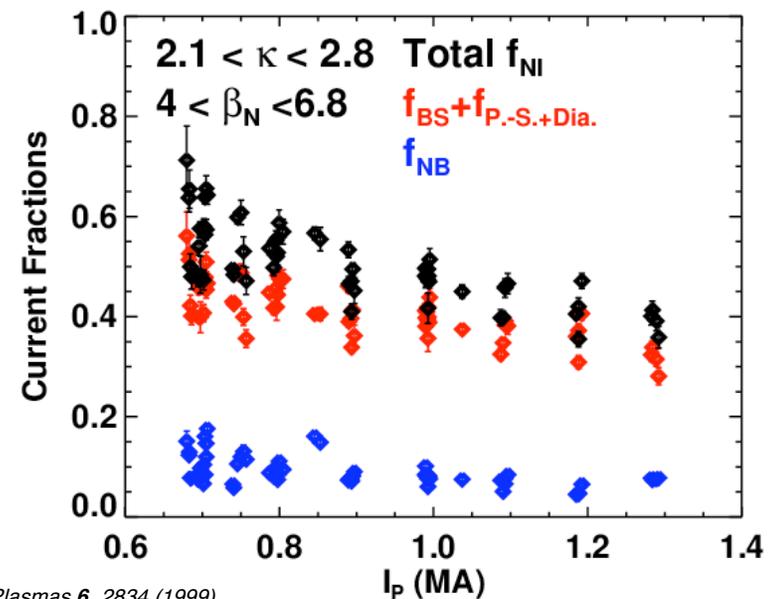
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  - **Bootstrap Currents:** Calculate using either the NCLASS model in TRANSP, or the Sauter model.<sup>1</sup>
  - **Neutral Beam Currents:** Calculate using the NUBEAM module in TRANSP.
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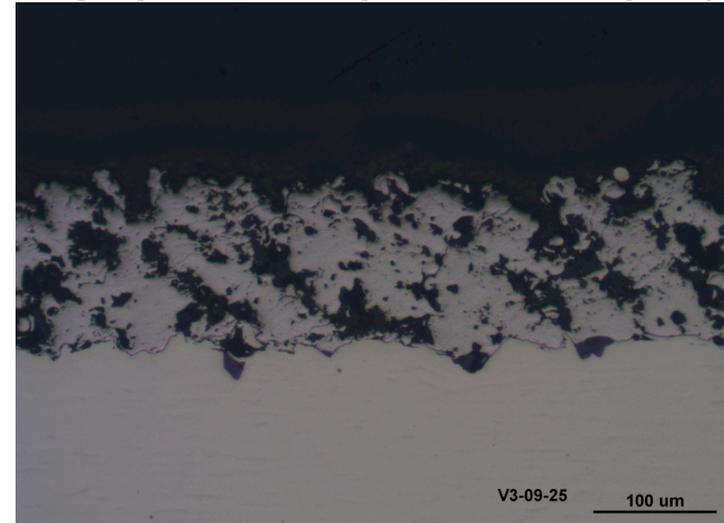


# Liquid Lithium Divertor Plates Have Been Installed in NSTX For Improved Pumping of Hydrogenic Species



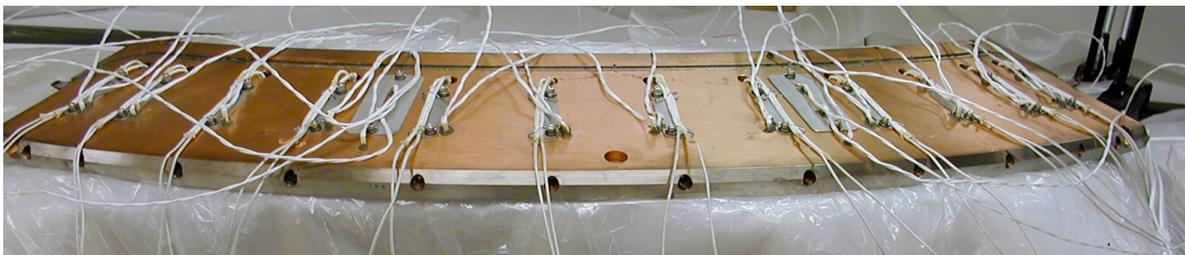
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Micrograph of semi porous Mo layer (100  $\mu\text{m}$ )



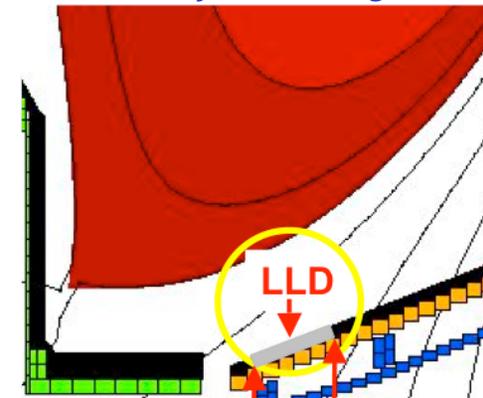
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Back side of plate with heaters and thermocouples installed



LLD to be filled with lithium from the dual LITER evaporator system

25-30% Density Reduction Projected at High- $\delta$

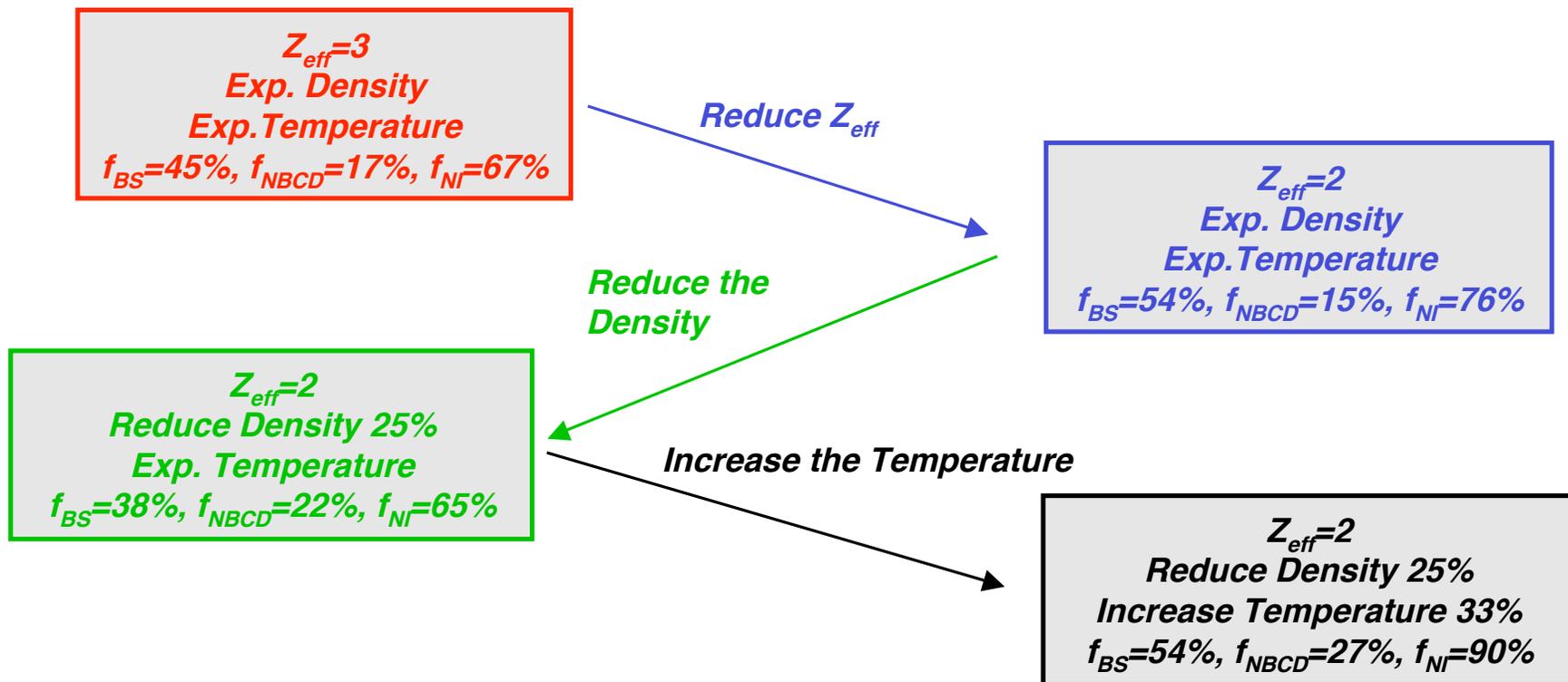


R. Maingi (ORNL) R=0.65 R=0.84

# Will LLD Pumping Increase the Non-Inductive Fraction? Depends on Impurity Accumulation and Confinement

- Fix plasma boundary and profile shapes from high-elongation, high- $\beta_p$  discharge 133964 (65% Non-Inductive Current Drive).
- Scale profiles to test various scenarios.
  - For instance, scale down the density profile to simulate the effect of pumping.
- Use the TRANSP code to predict fully evolved current profile.

**Experimental Reference: 700 kA**



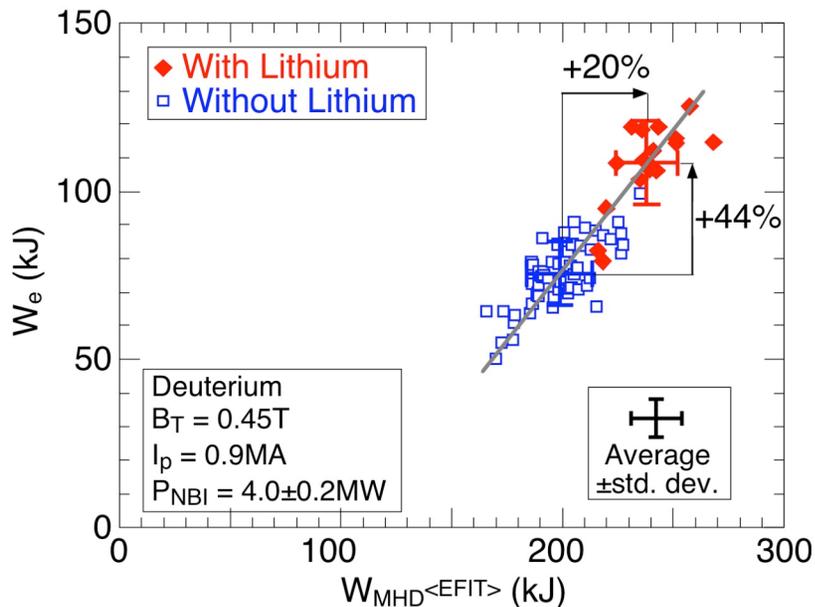
## Summary

- NSTX discharges have achieved long-pulse stationary levels of bootstrap current and  $\beta_N$  appropriate for next-step devices
  - Up to 70% of the current has been driven non-inductively in long-pulse quiescent discharges.
  - Off-axis beam current drive assumed in FNSF/PSIF designs, and included in the NSTX-Upgrade proposal.
- A large number of analysis and operational tools facilitate this:
  - Plasma shaping
  - n=1 mode control
  - Lithium conditioning
  - Current profile analysis
  - Many others...

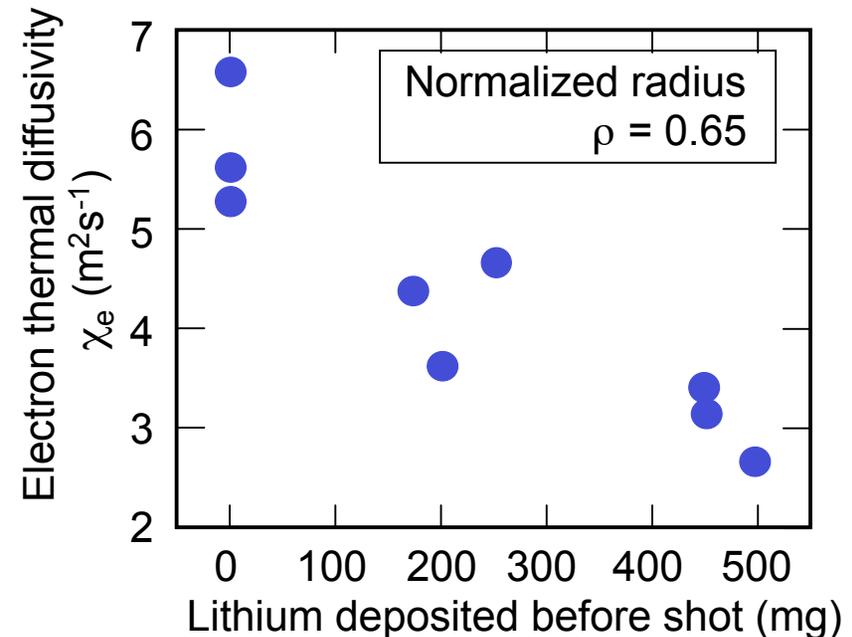
# Backup

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**Increased Lithium Deposition Reduces Transport<sup>2</sup>**



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$$\langle J_{OH} \cdot B \rangle = \sigma_{Neo} \langle E \cdot B \rangle$$

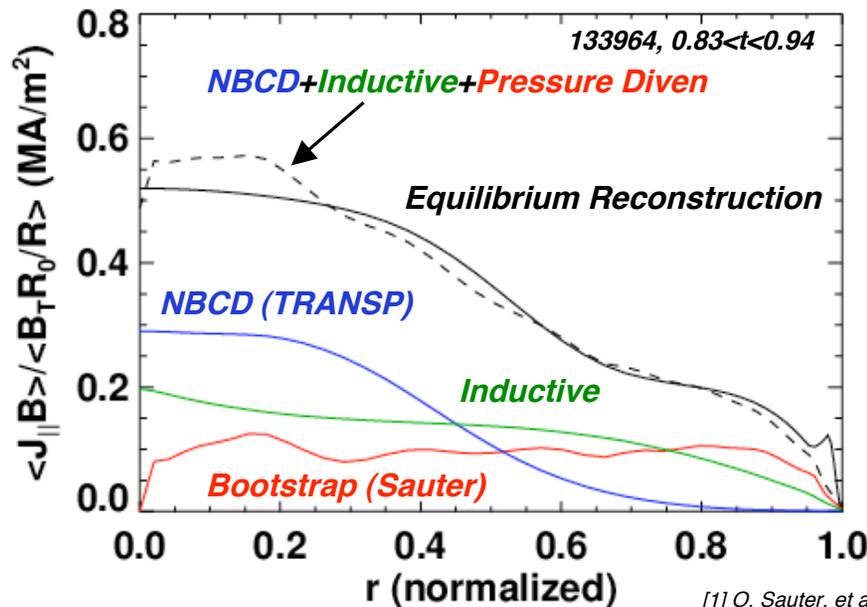
- **Bootstrap Currents:** Calculate using either the NCLASS model in TRANSP, or the Sauter model.<sup>1</sup>

$$\langle J_{BS} \cdot B \rangle = (RB_\phi) p_e \left[ L_{31} \frac{1}{p_e} \left( \frac{\partial p_e}{\partial \psi} + \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial \psi} \right) + L_{32} \frac{1}{T_e} \frac{\partial T_e}{\partial \psi} + L_{34} \alpha \frac{1 - R_{pe}}{R_{pe}} \frac{1}{T_i} \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial \psi} \right]$$

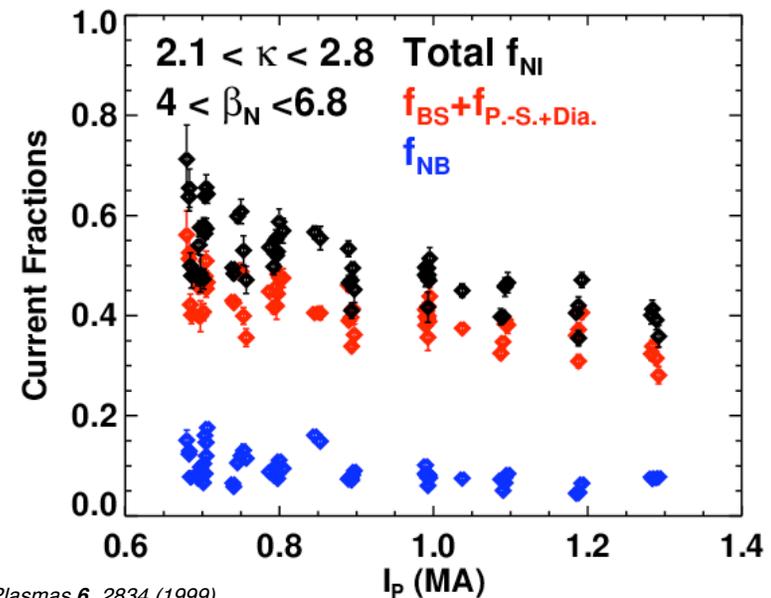
- **Neutral Beam Currents:** Calculate using the NUBEAM module in TRANSP.

$$J_{NB} = J_F \left[ 1 - \frac{Z_F}{Z_{eff}} (1 - G) \right], \quad J_F \text{ is the current density of circulating ions}$$

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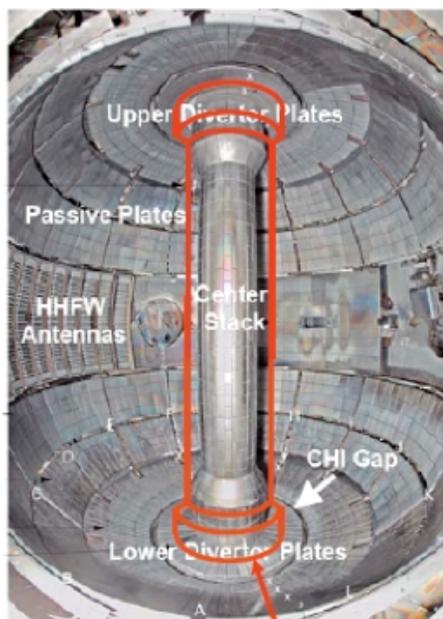
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# NSTX Upgrade Would Be A Major Step Along ST Development Path (next factor of 2 increase in current, field, and power density)

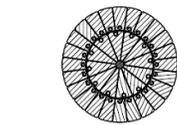
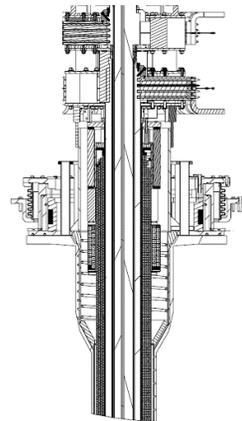
	NSTX	NSTX Upgrade	Plasma-Material Interface Facility	Fusion Nuclear Science Facility
Aspect Ratio = $R_0 / a$	$\geq 1.3$	$\geq 1.5$	$\geq 1.7$	$\geq 1.5$
Plasma Current (MA)	1	2	3.5	10
Toroidal Field (T)	0.5	1	2	2.5
P/R, P/S (MW/m,m <sup>2</sup> )	10, 0.2*	20, 0.4*	40, 0.7	40-60, 0.8-1.2

\* Includes 4MW of high-harmonic fast-wave (HHFW) heating power



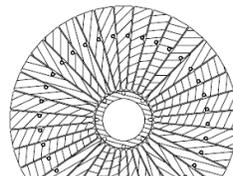
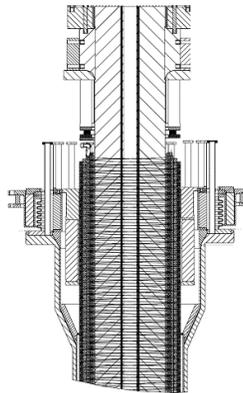
**Outline of new center-stack (CS)**

**Present CS**



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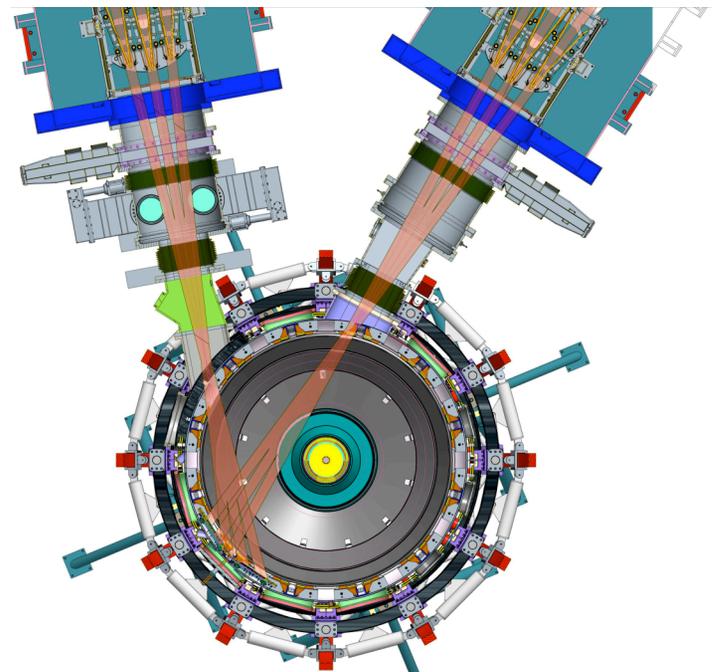
**New CS**



TF OD = 40cm

**New 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI**  
( $R_{TAN}=110, 120, 130cm$ )

**Present NBI**  
( $R_{TAN}= 50, 60, 70cm$ )



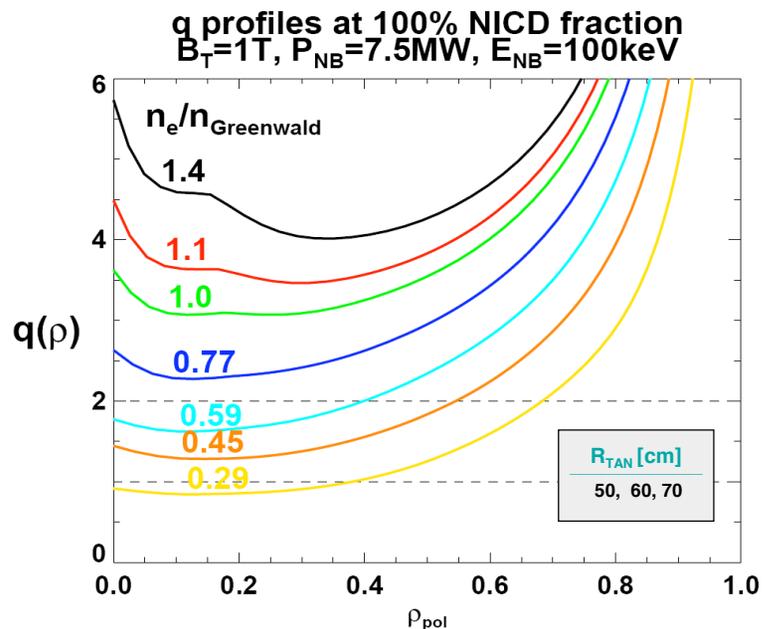
# Higher Field $B_T=1T$ from new CS + 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI Would Enable Access to Wide Range of 100% Non-Inductive Scenarios

## • New CS + present NBI-CD + fast wave:

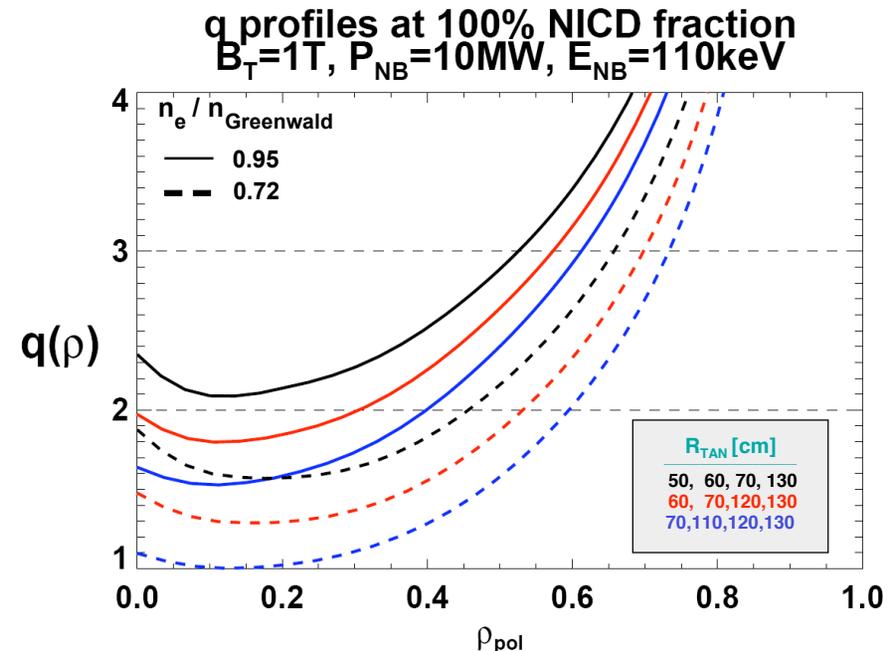
- Study confinement scaling vs.  $I_p$  and  $B_T$ 
  - Limited range of auxiliary power levels
- 100% non-inductive for 1-1.5s ( $\sim 1 \tau_{CR}$ )
  - NBI duration limited to 2s at 7.5MW
  - Vary  $q_{min}$  with density (CD efficiency  $\propto T_e/n_e$ )

## • Addition of 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI would enable:

- Study confinement scaling vs.  $I_p$  and  $B_T$  with:
  - Full range of auxiliary power available
  - Assured access to high- $\beta$  at reduced  $v^*$
- 100% non-inductive for 3-4  $\tau_{CR} \rightarrow$  relaxed  $J(r)$ 
  - 10MW NBI available for 5s
  - Control  $q_{min}$  & q-shear w/ NBI source,  $n_e$ , &  $B_T$
  - Study long-pulse NTM stability with  $q > 2$
- Study compatibility of high- $\beta$  w/ PMI solutions



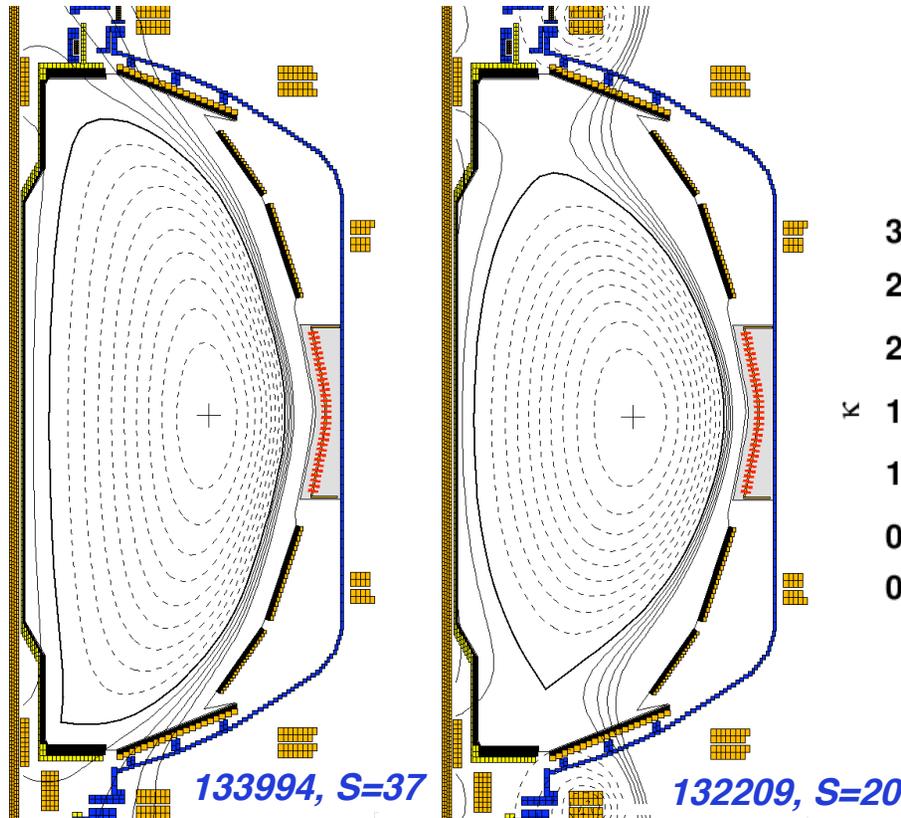
$I_p = 0.8-1.2MA, H_{98y2} = 1.2-1.4, \beta_N = 4.5-5, \beta_T = 10-12\%, 4MW RF$



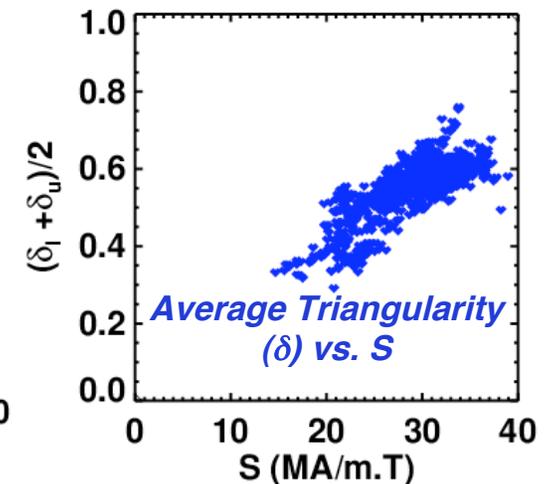
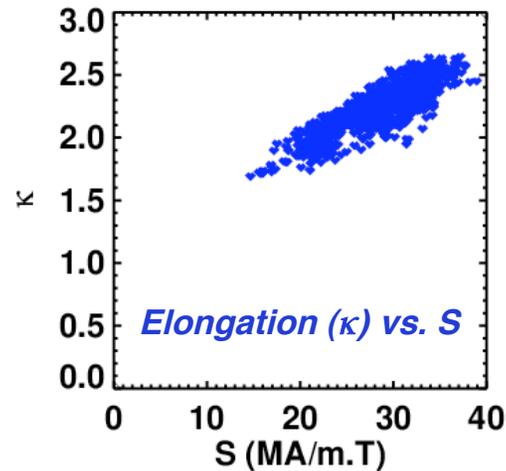
$I_p = 0.95MA, H_{98y2} = 1.2, \beta_N = 5, \beta_T = 10\%, 4MW RF$

# Shaping is Described by the “Shape Parameter” S

- Freedom in axisymmetric plasma boundary shaping<sup>1</sup>
  - **Elongation**: Increasing elongation increases q, improving the *kink stability* & increasing *bootstrap currents*.
  - **Triangularity**: Increasing the triangularity causes fields lines to spend more time in the *high-field good-curvature* region.
- “Shape Parameter” S encapsulates both effects.



$$S = \frac{q_{95} I_P}{a B_T} \propto \varepsilon (1 + \kappa^2) f(\kappa, \delta, \varepsilon)$$



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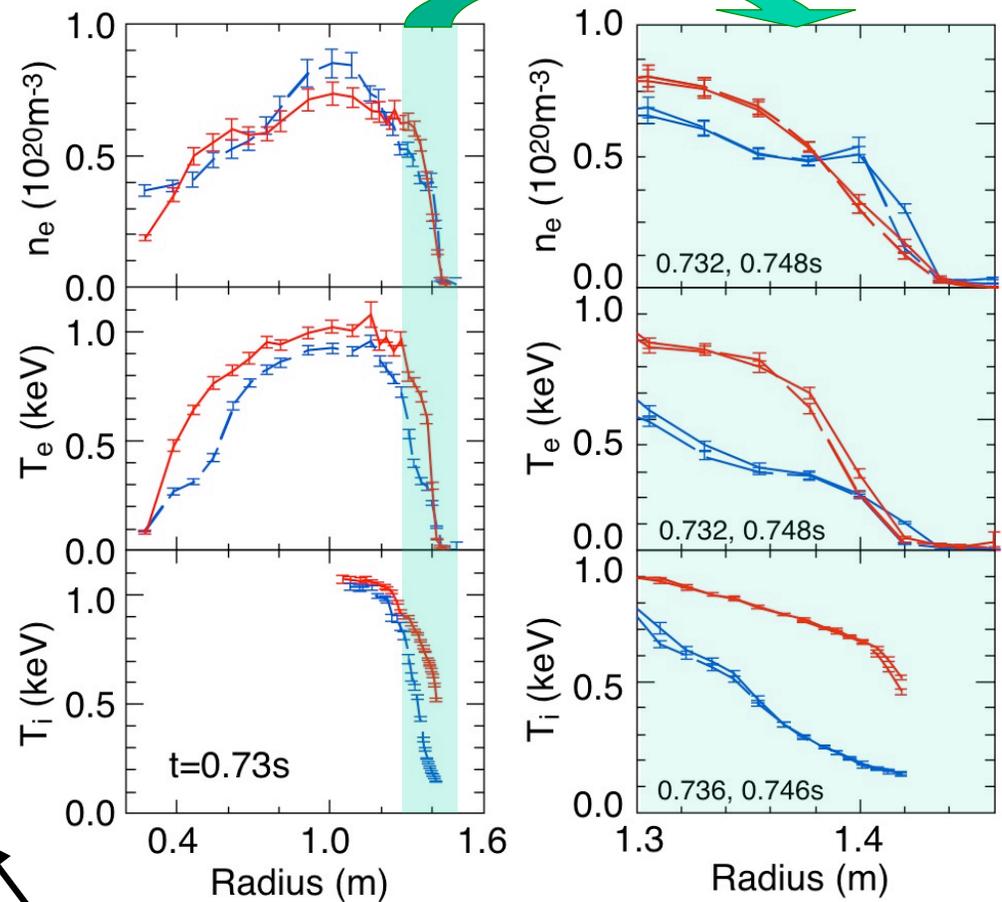
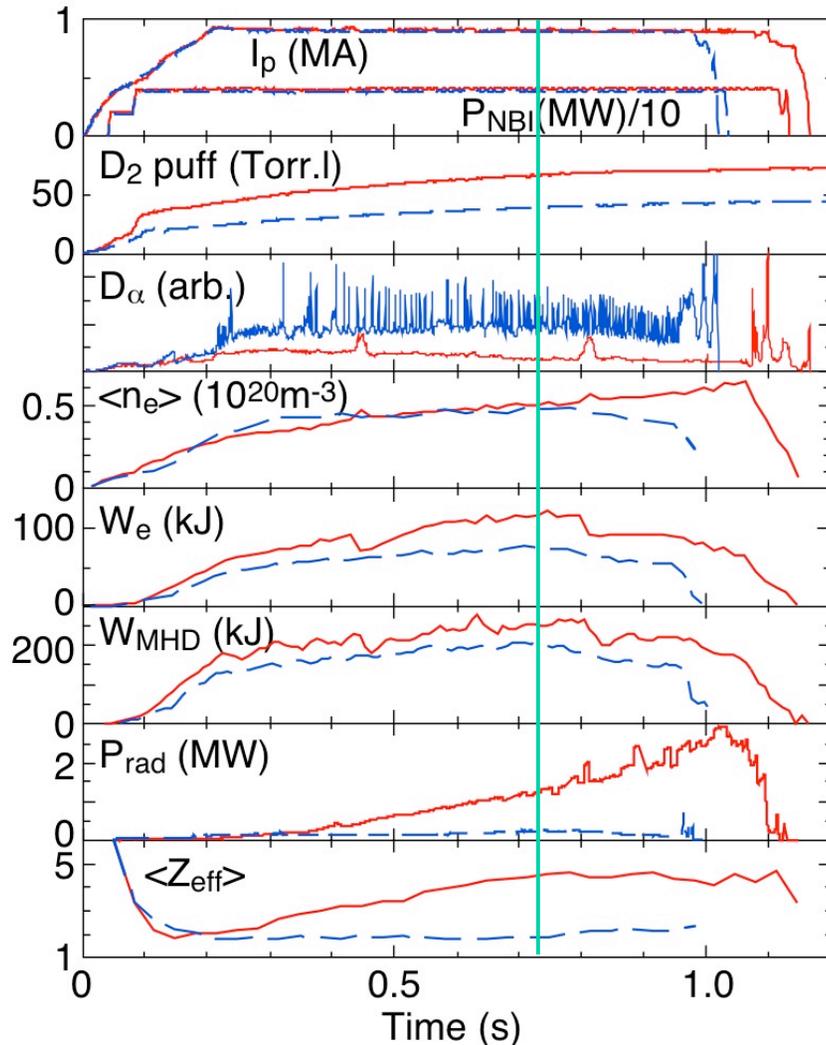
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# Lithium Coating Reduces Deuterium Recycling, Suppresses ELMs, Improves Confinement

No lithium (129239); **260mg lithium (129245)**

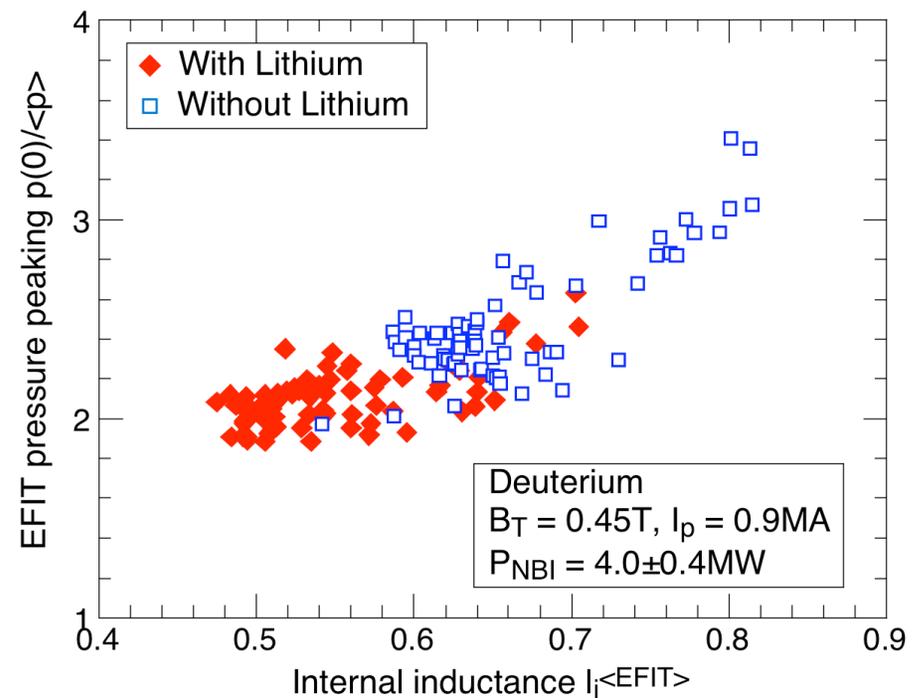
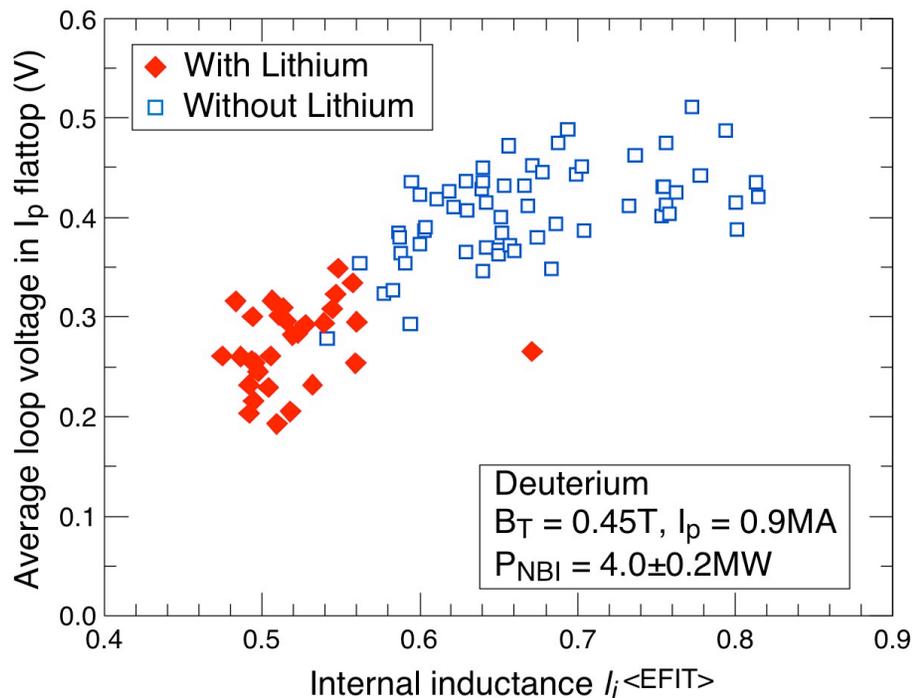


Without ELMs, impurity accumulation increases radiated power and  $Z_{eff}$

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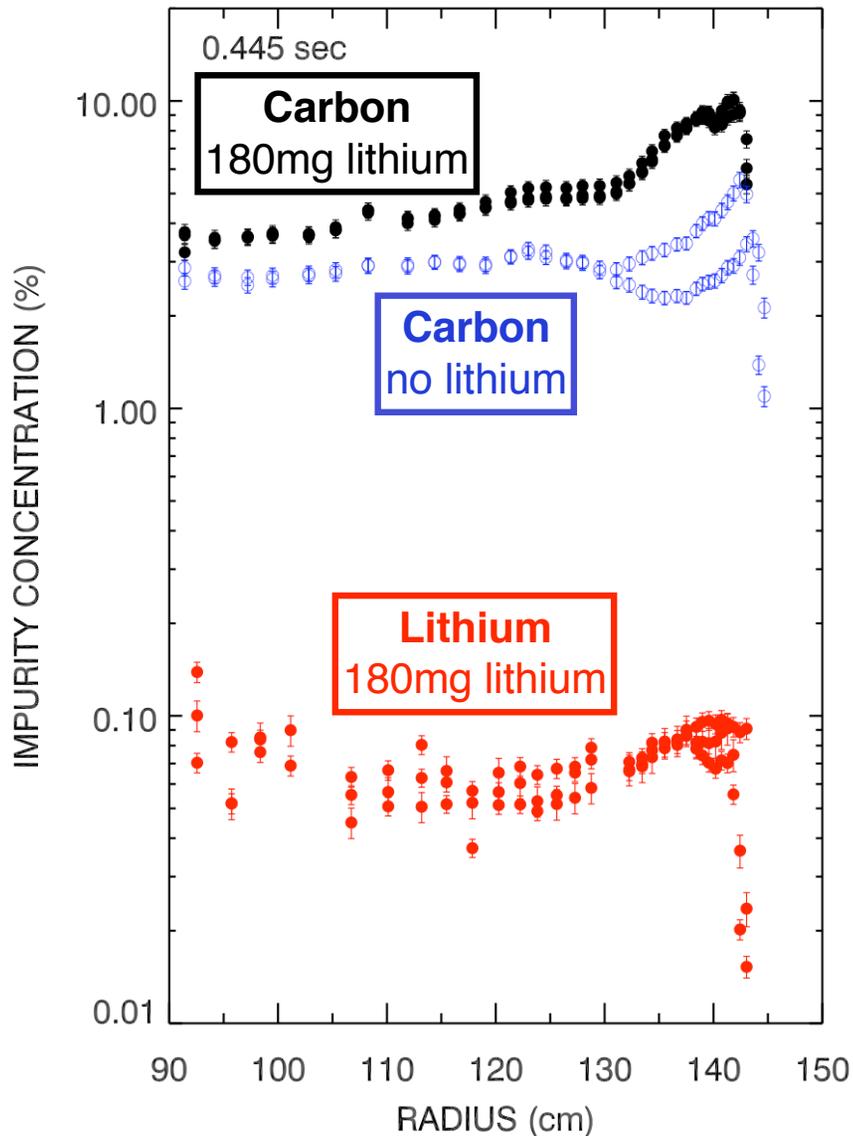
# Broader $T_e$ Profile with Lithium Coating Reduces Both Inductive and Resistive Flux Consumption

- Critical issue for development of low-aspect ratio tokamaks
  - Little space for conventional central solenoid providing inductive current drive

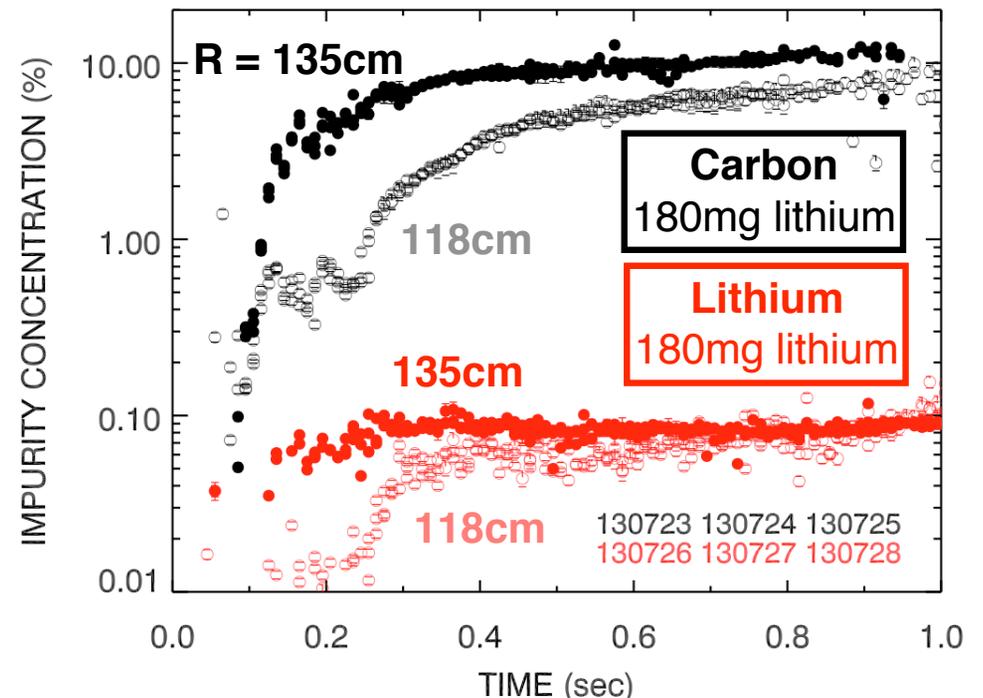


- Reduction occurs despite increase in  $\langle Z_{\text{eff}} \rangle$  in ELM-free H-modes after lithium coating

# Lithium Concentration in Plasmas Remains Low but Carbon Concentration Rises with Lithium Coating

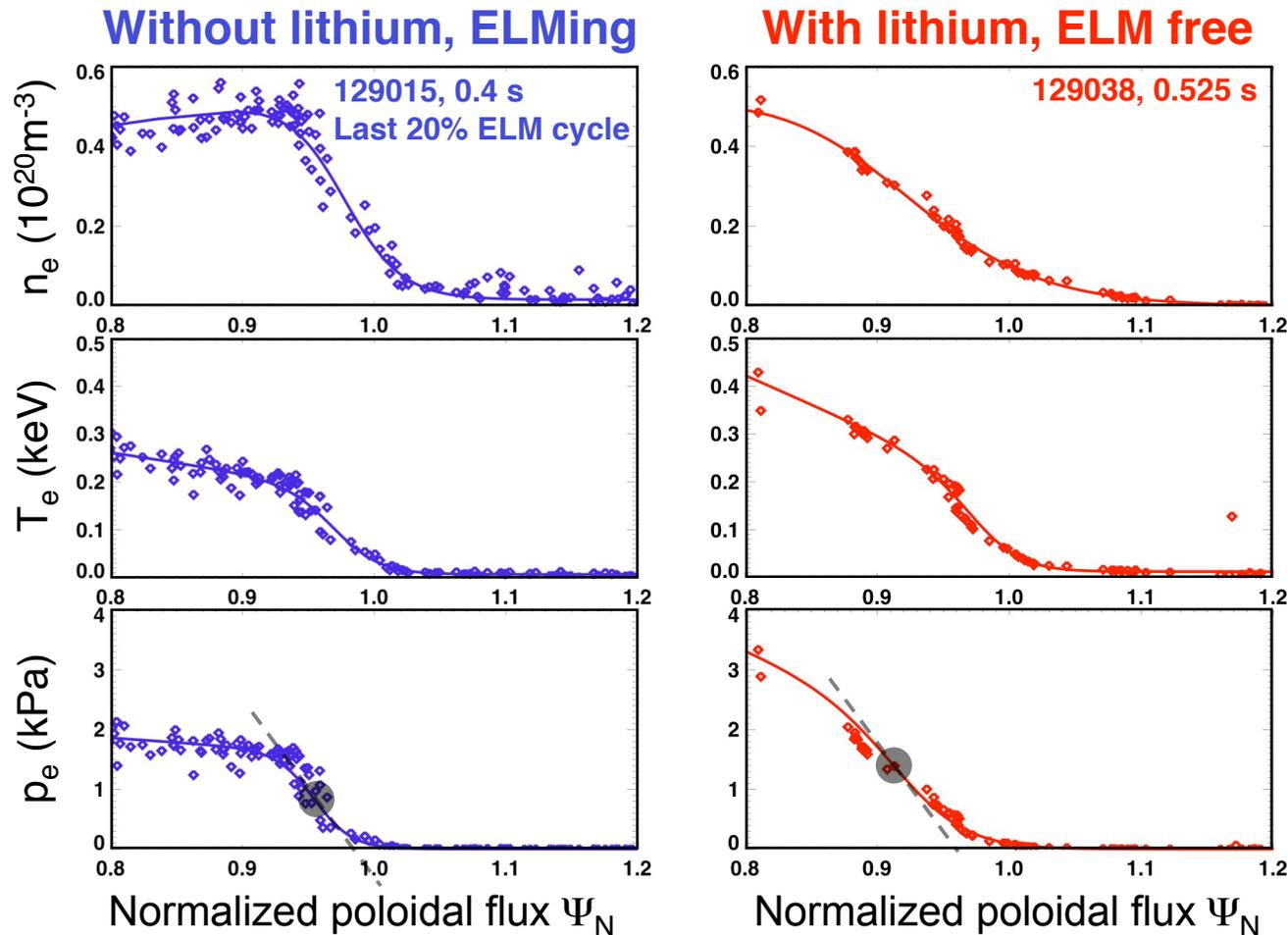


- Quantitative measurements of  $C^{6+}$ ,  $Li^{3+}$  with charge-exchange recombination spectroscopy
- $n_C/n_{Li} = 30 - 100$
- Hollow profiles early for both C and Li fill in as time progresses



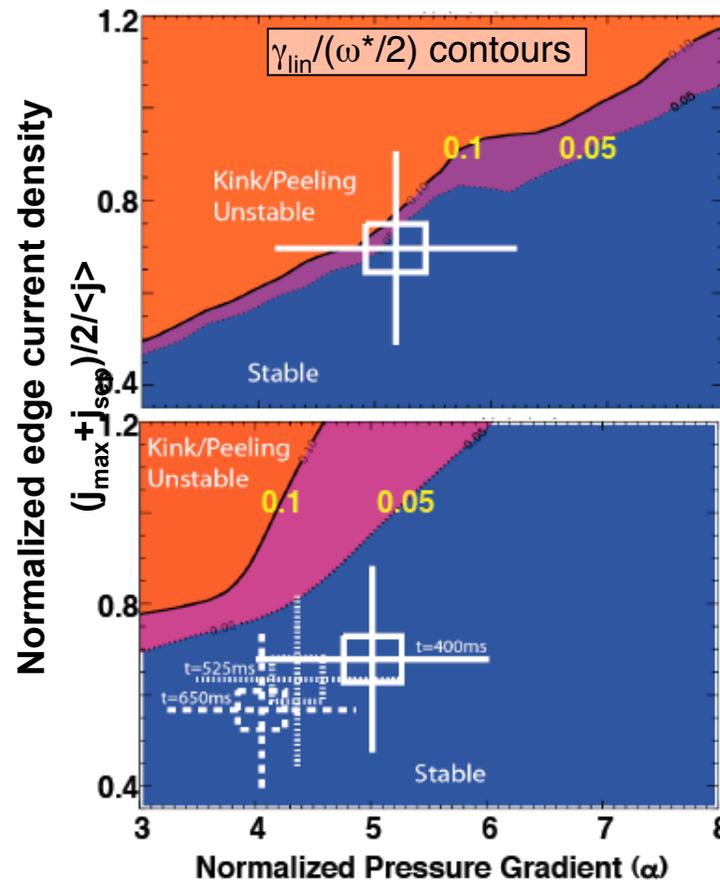
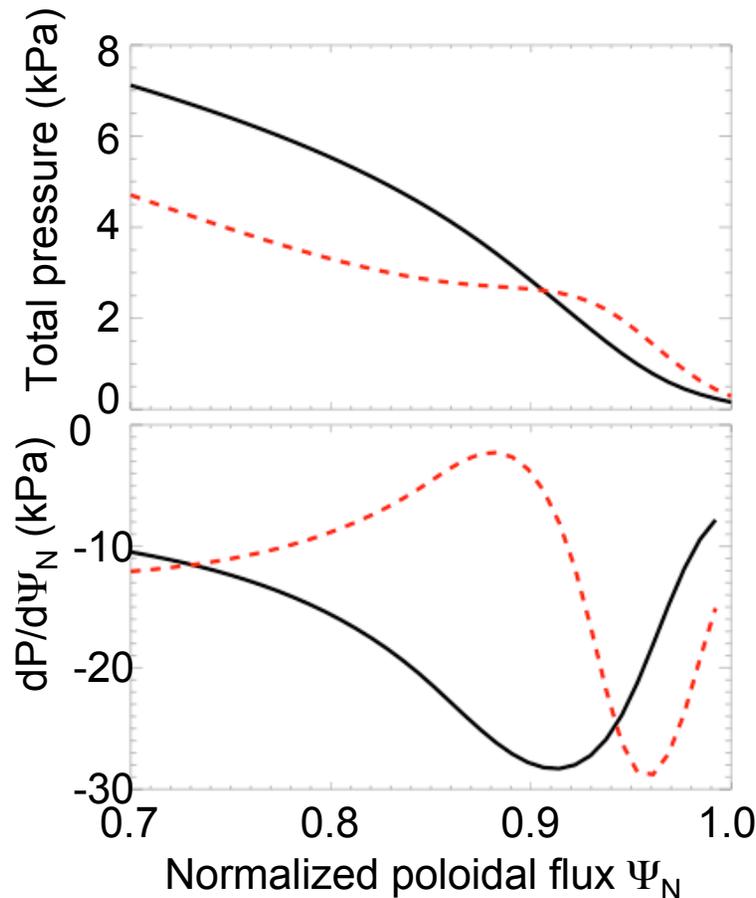
# Lithium Affects ELMs Through Changes in Temperature and Pressure Profile at Edge

- Multiple timeslices mapped into composite profiles using EFIT equilibrium



# Shift of Maximum in $\nabla p_e$ to Region of Lower Shear with Lithium Stabilizes Kink/Ballooning

- Analysis with PEST and ELITE codes
- Change in recycling affects edge current
- Precursor activity with  $n = 1 - 5$  observed before ELM onset



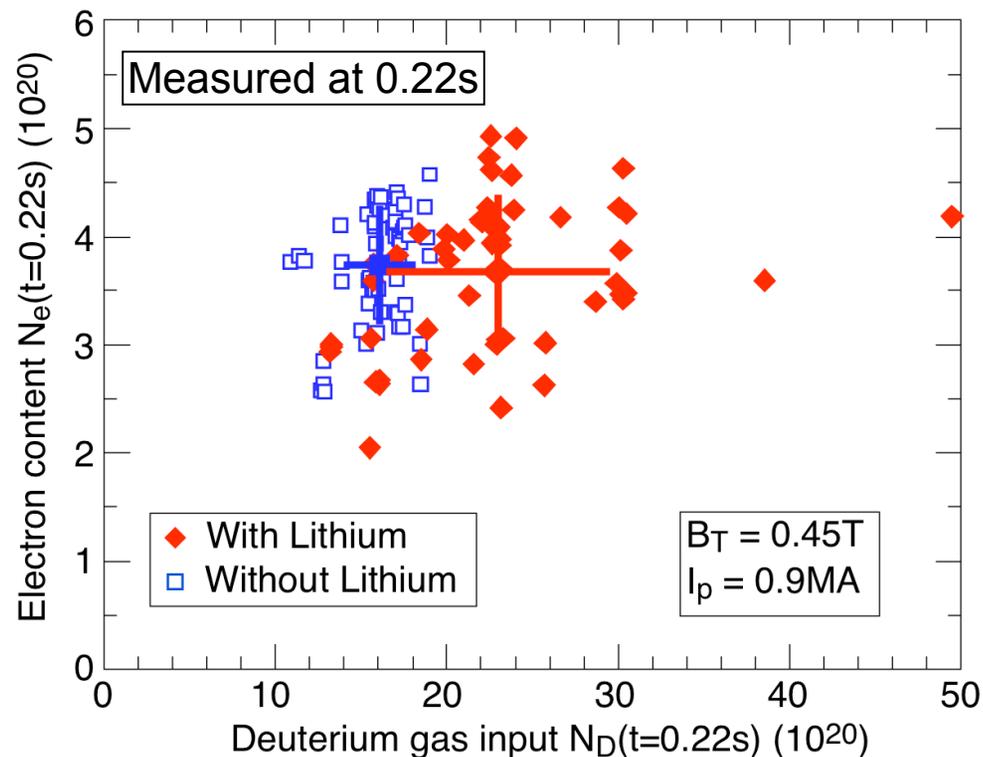
Without lithium  
(end of ELM cycle)

With lithium



# Lithium Reduces Deuterium Recycling but Need to Increase Fueling to Avoid Early Locked Modes

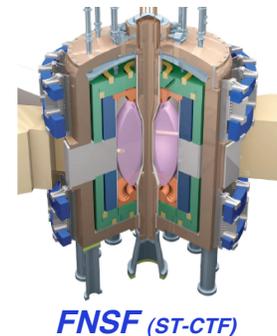
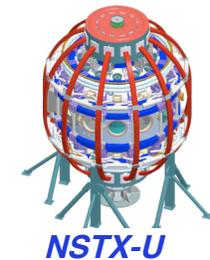
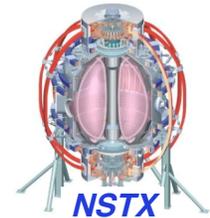
- Lower density achievable early in discharges both with and without lithium but likelihood of deleterious locked modes increases
  - Extensive HeGDC, He ohmic- or HHFW-heated plasmas also effective



- Tangentially viewing camera for edge  $D_\alpha$  emission shows greatly reduced neutral D density across outboard midplane with lithium

# NSTX Upgrade will contribute strongly to toroidal plasma science and preparation for a fusion nuclear science (FNS) program

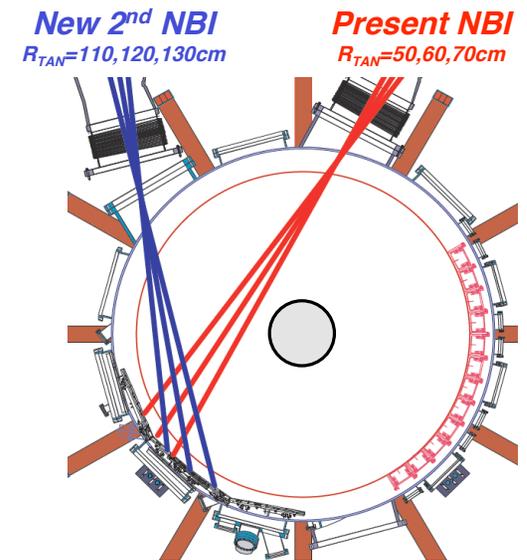
- NSTX:
  - Providing foundation for understanding ST physics, performance
- NSTX Upgrade:
  - Study high beta plasmas at reduced collisionality
    - Vital for understanding confinement, stability, start-up, sustainment
  - Assess full non-inductive current drive operation
    - Needed for steady-state operating scenarios in ITER and FNS facility
  - Prototype solutions for mitigating high heat, particle exhaust
    - Can access world-leading combination of P/R and P/S
    - Needed for testing integration of high-performance fusion core and edge
- NSTX Upgrade contributes strongly to possible next-step STs:
  - ST Fusion Nuclear Science Facility
    - Develop fusion nuclear science, test nuclear components for Demo
    - Sustain  $W_{\text{neutron}} \sim 0.2-0.4 \rightarrow 1-2\text{MW/m}^2$ ,  $\tau_{\text{pulse}} = 10^3 \rightarrow 10^6\text{s}$
  - ST Plasma Material Interface Facility
    - Develop long-pulse PMI solutions for FNSF / Demo (low-A and high-A)
    - Further advance start-up, confinement, sustainment for ST
    - High  $P_{\text{heat}}/S \sim 1\text{MW/m}^2$ , high  $T_{\text{wall}}$ ,  $\tau_{\text{pulse}} \sim 10^3\text{s}$



# Upgrade 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI injecting at larger $R_{\text{tangency}}$ will greatly expand performance and understanding of ST plasmas

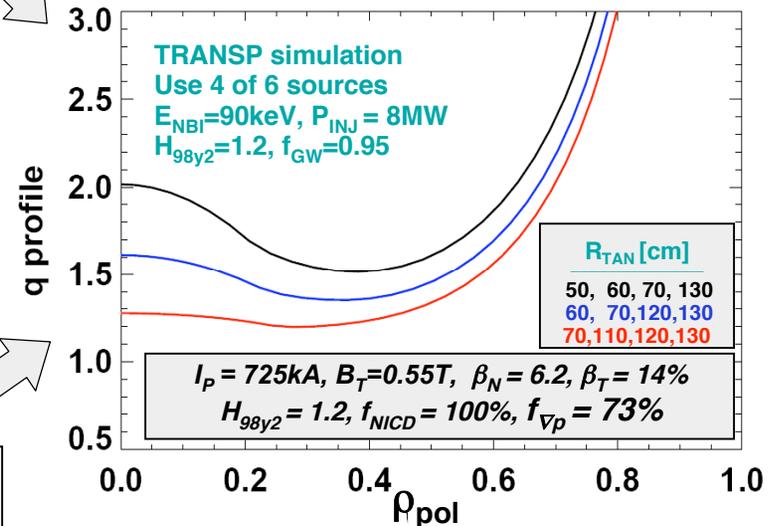
- Improved NBI-CD and plasma performance

- Higher CD efficiency from large  $R_{\text{TAN}}$
- Higher NBI current drive from higher  $P_{\text{NBI}}$
- Higher  $\beta_P, f_{\text{BS}}$  at present  $H_{98y2} \leq 1.2$  from higher  $P_{\text{HEAT}}$
- Large  $R_{\text{TAN}} \rightarrow$  off-axis CD for maintaining  $q_{\text{min}} > 1$
- Achieve 100% non-inductive fraction (presently  $< 70\%$ )
- Optimized  $q(\rho)$  for integrated high  $\tau_E, \beta,$  and  $f_{\text{NI}}$



- Expanded research flexibility by varying:

- $q$ -shear for transport, MHD, fast-ion physics
- Heating, torque, and rotation profiles
- $\beta$ , including higher  $\beta$  at higher  $I_p$  and  $B_T$
- Fast-ion  $f(v_{\parallel}, v_{\perp})$  and \*AE instabilities
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> NBI more tangential – like next-step STs
- Peak divertor heat flux, SOL width



•  $q(r)$  profile variation and control very important for global stability, electron transport, Alfvénic instability behavior

# Will LLD Pumping Increase the Non-Inductive Fraction? Depends on Impurity Accumulation and Confinement

- Fix plasma boundary and profile shapes from high- $\beta_P$  discharge 133964.
- Modify the TRANSP input data to predict fully evolved current profiles.

## Experimental Reference

$Z_{\text{eff}}=3$   
Exp. Density  
Exp. Temperature  
 $f_{\text{BS}}=45\%$ ,  $f_{\text{NBCD}}=17\%$

Reduce  $Z_{\text{eff}}$

Reduce the  
Density

$Z_{\text{eff}}=2$   
Exp. Density  
Exp. Temperature  
 $f_{\text{BS}}=54\%$ ,  $f_{\text{NBCD}}=15\%$

$Z_{\text{eff}}=2$   
Reduce Density 25%  
Exp. Temperature  
 $f_{\text{BS}}=38\%$ ,  $f_{\text{NBCD}}=22\%$

Increase the  
Temperature

$Z_{\text{eff}}=2$   
Reduce Density 25%  
Increase Temperature 33%  
 $f_{\text{BS}}=54\%$ ,  $f_{\text{NBCD}}=27\%$

