EHO Scoping Study

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Observed on NSTX at ~ 800 kA, 2 beams, ELM-free lithiated conditions, Low core MHD



EHO's Located Close to Separatrix

BES



Like in DIII-D QH Modes – Maybe even further out?



Close to Peeling Stability Boundary



Like DIII-D QH Modes



Does not Limit Density Rise



Unlike DIII-D QH Modes



Proposal

We propose to look for EHOs in NSTX-U in piggyback mode, but then use ~ I run day to explore the boundaries of their operational region (including beam aiming angle), and their effects on particle confinement over this region.

Since the best performance of DIII-D with co-injection involves edge braking with non-axisymmetric coils for strong edge rotation shear, we propose to apply n=3 edge braking to a case with clear EHOs and to observe if this amplifies them and if it has an effect on particle confinement.

Collaboration in a wider EHO initiative is highly welcome.

