

# (TG1) Multi-ion group report



Jan. 12, 2022 (M. Kobayashi)

Date: Jan. 12, 2022

Time: 9:48 – 15:11

Shot#: 176038 – 176132 (95 shots)

Prior wall conditioning: D2

Diverter pump: On

Gas puff: D2, H2 IPD: No

LID: No

NBI#(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)=gas(H, H, H, H, )=P(3.5, 2.6, 3.8, 1.8/1.7, /) MW

ECH(77GHz)=ant(5.5-U, 2-OUR)=P(703, 792)kW

ECH(154GHz)=ant(2-OLL, 2-OUL, 2O-LR)=P(979, 930, 986) kW

ECH(116GHz)=ant(2O-LR)=P(-)kW

ECH(56GHz)=ant(1.5-U)=P(-)kW

ICH(3.5U, 3.5L, 4.5U, 4.5L) = P(0.845, 0.774, 0.749, 0.408) MW

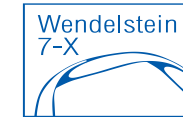
Neutron yield integrated over the experiment =  $1.6 \times 10^{14}$

## Topics

1. Effect of the 3-ion ICRF heating on impurity exhaust in stellarators (D. Moseev, H. Kasahara)
2. (Deuterium) Exposure of material (W-alloys) samples into the edge plasma by means of the LHD manipulator (C.P. Dhard, S. Masuzaki)
3. Isotope effects in high-density ECH plasma after hydrogen isotope ice pellet injections (T. Tsujimura)

# ICRF-facilitated impurity exhaust, 12.01.2022

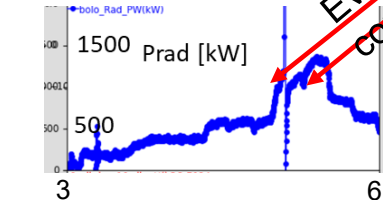
## [Moseev, Kasahara, Tamura]



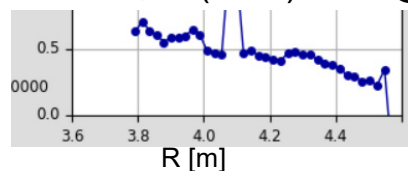
### Background:

Coupling of ICRF to impurity may lead to targeted exhaust. 3-ion ICRF scheme, which depends on H/D ratio, was successfully tried at LHD in Dec. 2020.

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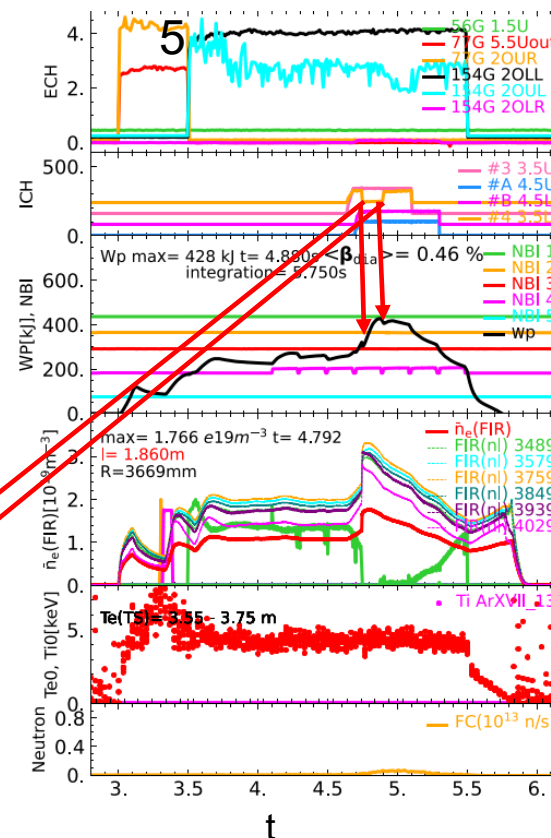
176055, H/(H+D) ratio @



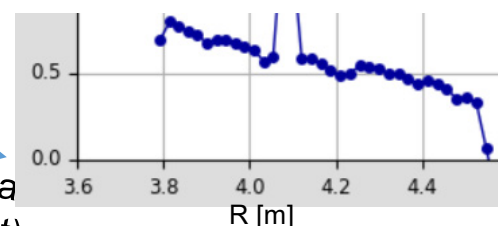
@5s

H/(H+D) ratio when NBI4 has source A (left) and A+B(right)

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[s] 176065, H/(H+D) ratio @ 5.03 s



**Current experiments: look promising, waiting for CXS impurity profiles**  
Similar experiments are being conducted with H/D ratio and Tespel with 2 different impurities: Li and F. Teflon was also available.

NBI4 worked either with only source A and with sources A and B. H/D ratio influenced insignificantly, generally rather high. Sometimes problems with RF coupling from single-strap antenna.

### To-do:

Impurity analysis is yet to be performed as soon as data is available

# Exposure of W alloys samples to divertor plasma

C.P. Dhard, D. Naujoks (IPP), S. Masuzaki

Shot #: 176074 - 176094

$(R_{ax}, B_t, \gamma, B_q) = (3.6 \text{ m}, -2.75 \text{ T}, 1.2538, 100.0\%)$

Working gas: D2

$P_{NBI-1} \sim 3.7 \text{ MW}$ ,  $P_{NBI-2} \sim 2.7 \text{ MW}$ ,  $P_{NBI-3} \sim 3.7 \text{ MW}$

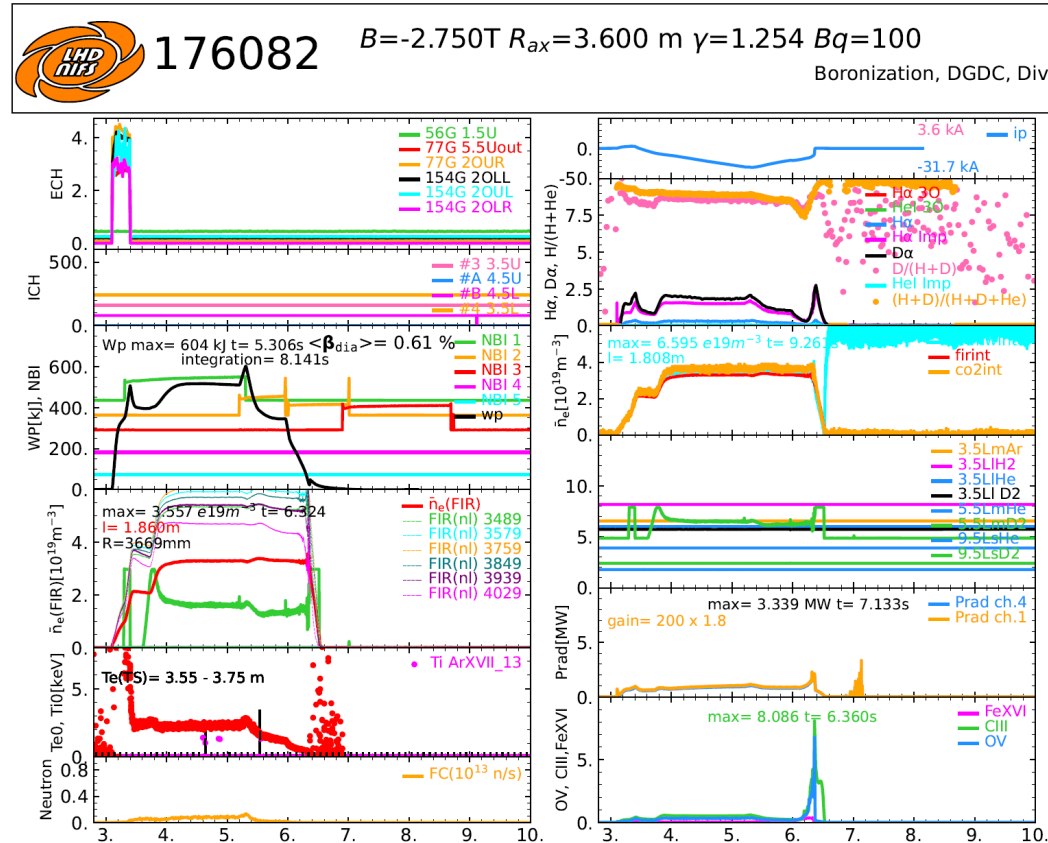
Three t-NBIs were injected in a "train"-style

## Motivation

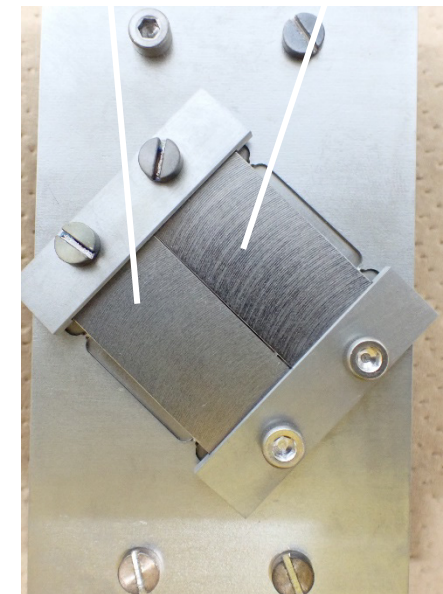
- Tungsten is appearing as a potential material for fusion reactor application. However,, because of its hardness and brittleness it is not so easy to manufacture thin tiles with edges in the order of 1-2 mm. W-alloys are being explored to overcome these problems.
- In this experiment, W-alloys samples are exposed to the LHD divertor plasma to investigate influences of them on plasma operation, and effects of the exposure on samples properties.

## Results

- ✓ Two W alloys (W-Cu/Ni, W-Fe/Ni) samples were exposed to divertor plasma using the manipulator at 10.5L port.
- ✓ Total ~60s exposure was conducted.
- ✓ Line averaged density was kept to be  $\sim 3 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$ .
- ✓ No influences on plasma operation.
- ✓ Line emission of W is not significant,
- ✓ Surface analyses will be conducted soon.



W-Ni-Cu W-Ni-Fe



W alloys  
(before exposure)

Summary of a typical discharge in this exp.

## Experimental conditions:

$(R_{ax}, B_t, \gamma, B_q) = (3.60 \text{ m}, \text{CCW } \underline{2.85} \text{ T}, 1.2538, 100.0\%)$

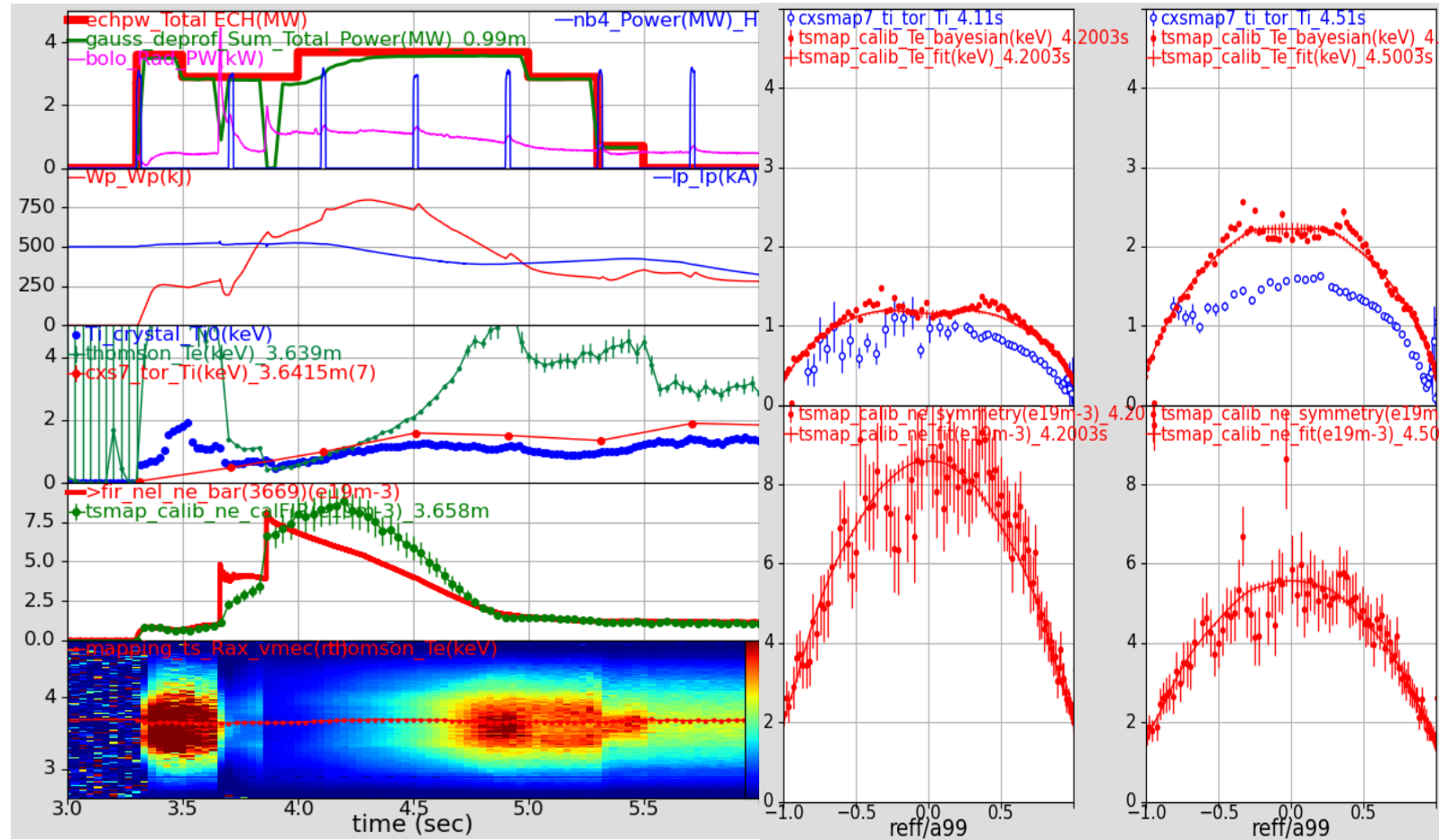
## Results:

- Typical discharge is shown in the figure at the right (#176113).
- High- $n_e$  ECH plasma was sustained after injection of two D pellets together with D gas puff.
- D rich condition was obtained:  $D/(D+H) \sim 0.8$ .
- Max.  $n_{e0} \sim 8 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$ ,  $T_{e0} \sim T_{i0} \sim 1 \text{ keV}$
- Thermal relaxation from electrons to ions increased  $T_{i0} \sim 1.5 \text{ keV}$  at  $T_{e0} \sim 2 \text{ keV}$ ,  $n_{e0} \sim 5 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$ .
- $n_e$  peaked,  $T_e$  flat or hollowed,  $T_i$  peaked

## Motivation:

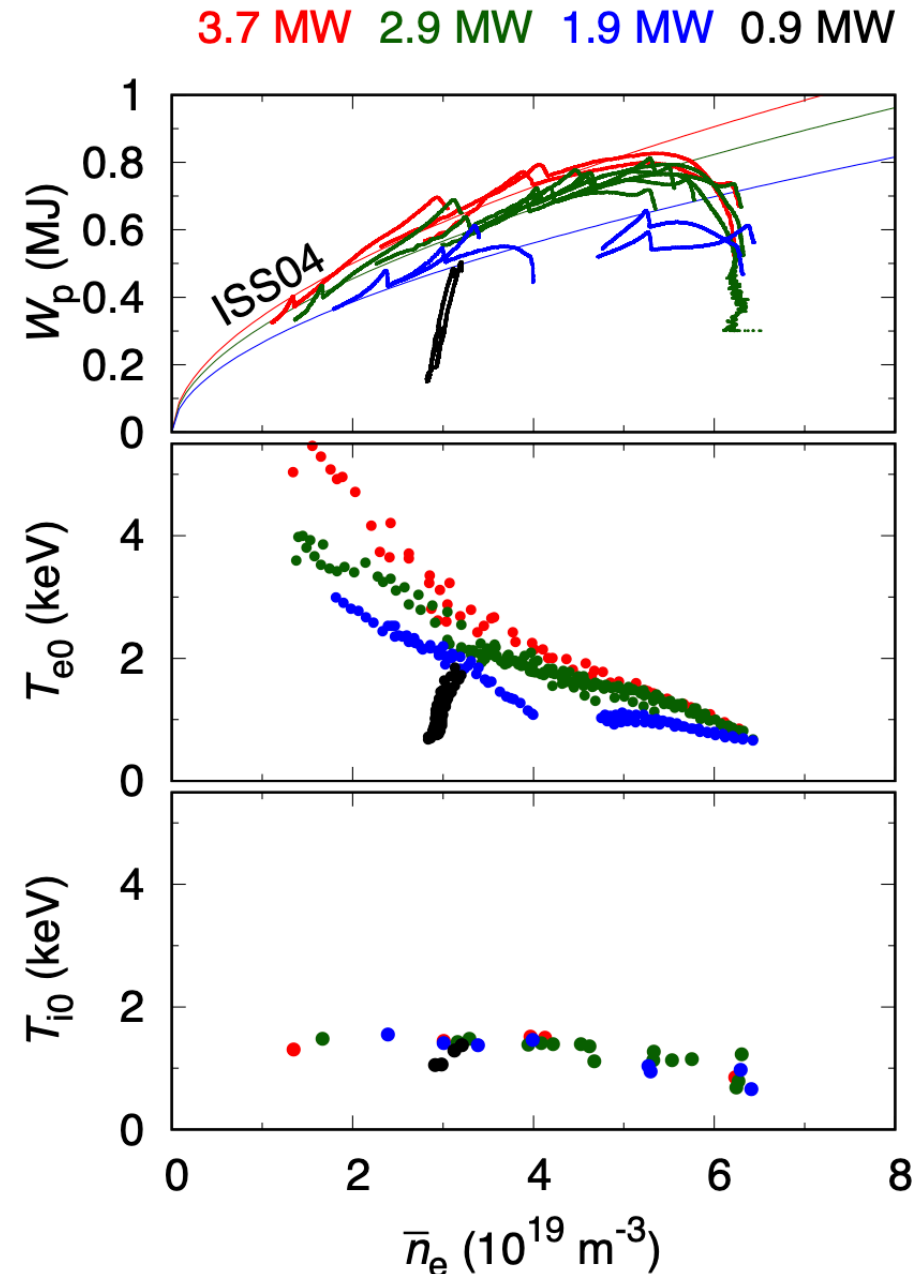
- In this campaign, the third 154-GHz gyrotron is functional in full power.
- In contrast to 21<sup>st</sup> campaign, experimental data in wide ranges of ECH power and  $n_e$  were accumulated to discuss isotope effects in high- $n_e$  ECH plasma.

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## Results (cont.):

- Injection power  $P_{\text{ECH}}$  was scanned from 0.9 MW to 3.7 MW with one 77 GHz perpendicular injection and three 154 GHz oblique injection.
- $n_{e,\text{bar}}$  was scanned from  $1 \times 10^{19}$  to  $6 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$  by changing the number of pellets: one or two.
- $W_p$  was almost along ISS04.
- $T_{i0}$  was almost 1-1.5 keV in the scanned  $n_e$  range as  $T_{e0}$  decreased.
- H pellet experiments are planned in next week.
- $n_e$  fluctuations were measured with PCI and DBS to discuss ion scale turbulence.
- Power balance analysis will be performed in comparison with neoclassical and turbulent transport.
- Comparison with W7-X pellet discharges is desirable.



plotted from 4.0 s to 5.0 s in  
[176102, 176103, 176104,  
176106, 176109, 176111,  
176112, 176113, 176114,  
176116, 176118, 176120,  
176121, 176122, 176123,  
176125, 176128]

$$P_{\text{ei}} \propto \frac{Z_i^2 n_e^2}{m_i T_e^{3/2}} (T_e - T_i)$$