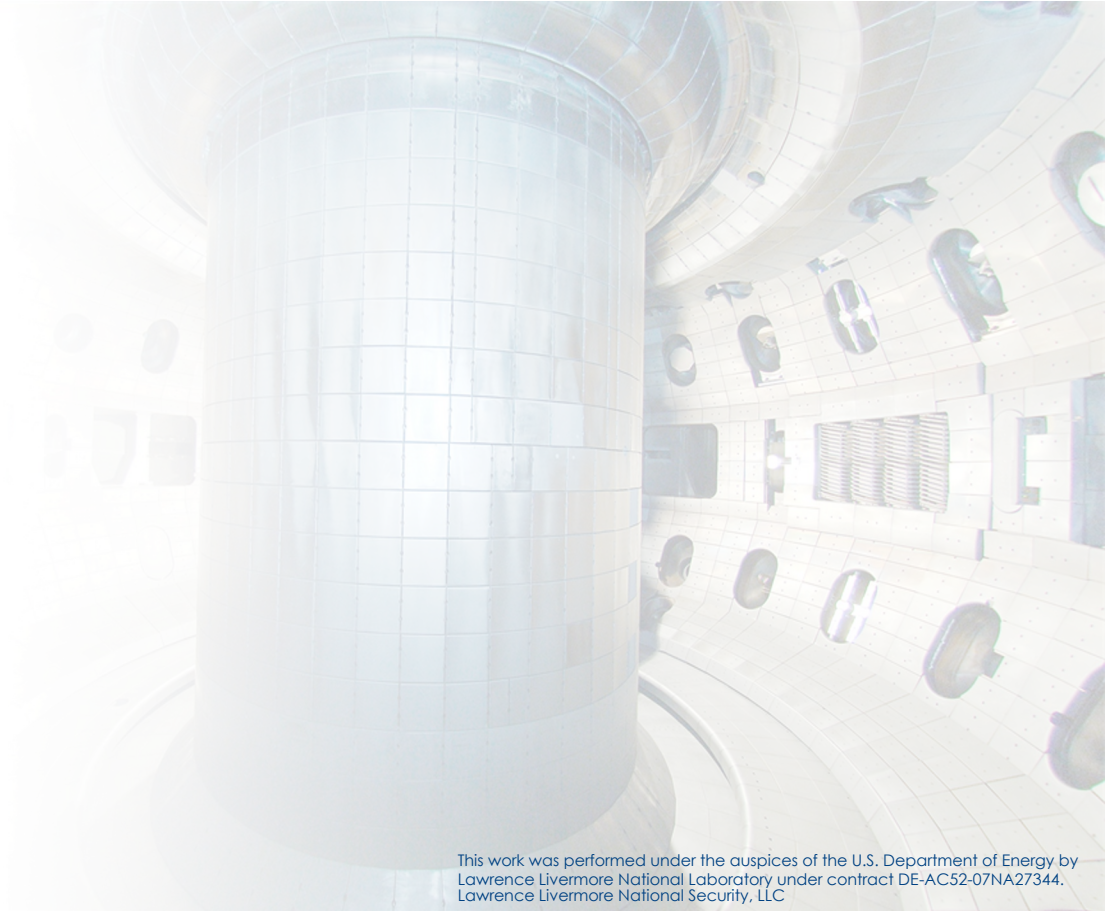


# Effect of wall changeout on radiative divertor studies

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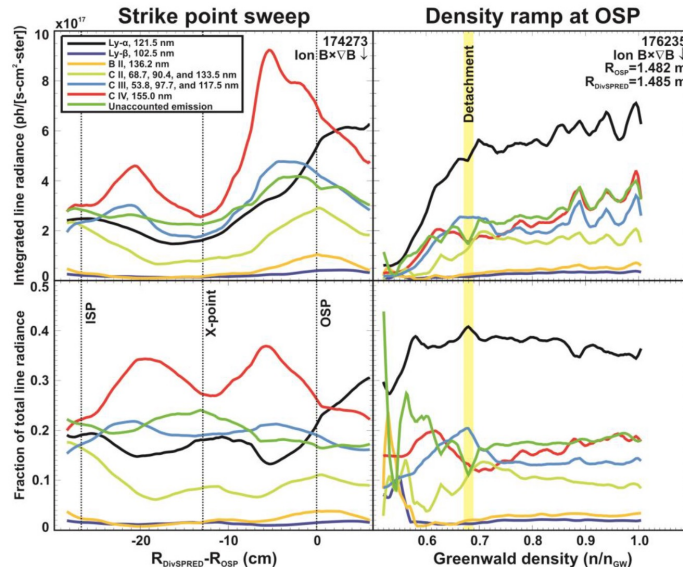


# Reduction in low Z intrinsic impurity will require seeding for detachment, re-optimization of spectroscopic divertor diagnostics

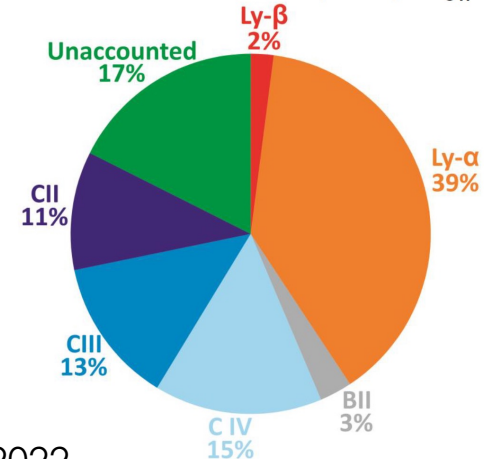
- Reduction in low Z intrinsic impurity source with wall changeout brings the necessity of impurity seeding for divertor dissipation studies
- Non-forgiving nature of metallic wall → high collisionality or seeding could be the default way of operation in some regimes
- N provides most seamless transition (similar radiation/compression to C) with added controllability, different scenarios to rely on different mixes (B, N, Ne, Ar)
- Move to higher Z radiators needs a re-optimization of diagnostics for radiative divertor studies (shorter wavelengths)

# Sputtered C provides dominant divertor radiation fraction in DIII-D

- Radiative divertor/detachment studies typically rely on intrinsic rad. in DIII-D
  - Impurity concentration  $\sim$  sputtering yield  $Y_{\text{phys}}(T_e, T_i) + Y_{\text{chem}}$  (no threshold on  $Y_{\text{chem}}$ )
  - Divertor detaches above a certain  $n_{e\text{-sep}}$  relying on intrinsic impurity sputtering
  - Typically  $>60\%$  of divertor radiation is due to C (dominantly C IV, C III)
  - $T_e$  dependence of  $Y_{\text{phys}}$  provides stabilizing effect



DivSPRED radiance accounting, 176235  
OSP view at the detachment point ( $n/n_{\text{GW}} = 0.68$ )



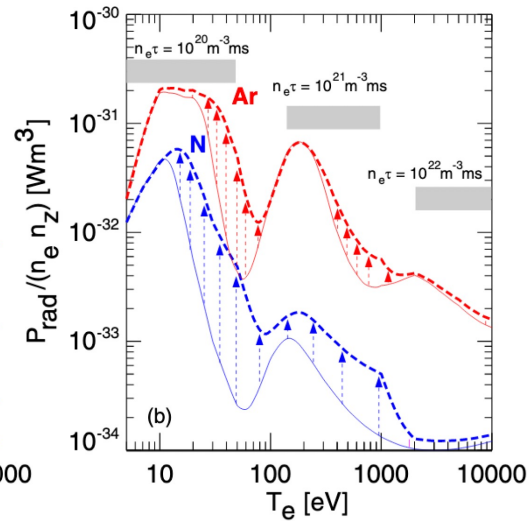
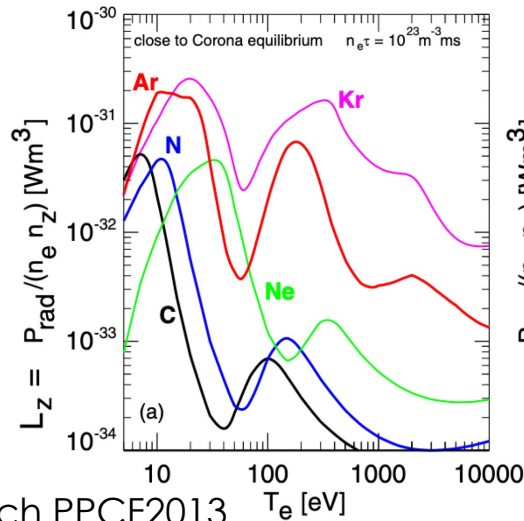
# Low/mid Z seeding will be required to replace C radiation for radiative divertor studies

- **Full wall changeout aims to reduce intrinsic impurity levels**
  - Seeding will be necessary for radiative divertor studies to replace C radiation
- **Metallic divertor PFCs not forgiving (melting, sputtering, high core  $P_{\text{rad}}$ ), operation at high collisionality or with impurity seeding might be necessary for some scenarios**
- **Low/medium Z radiators will be needed to reduce heat flux, access detached divertor conditions**

- N closest in Z, radiation curves to C
- Standard in many tokamaks AUG, JET, C-Mod, WEST, etc.

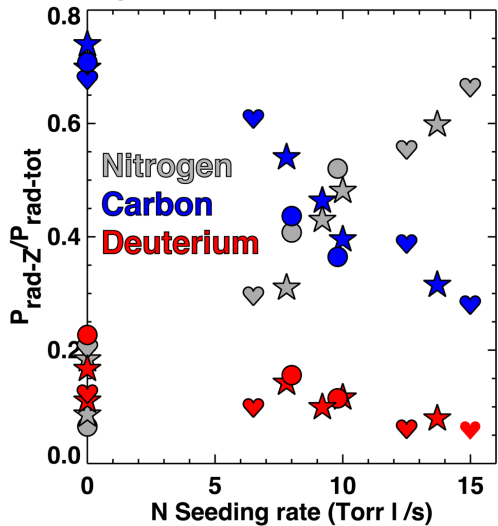
- **Ar, Ne can complement with also radiation inside confined plasma**

- **Powders (B, Li)**



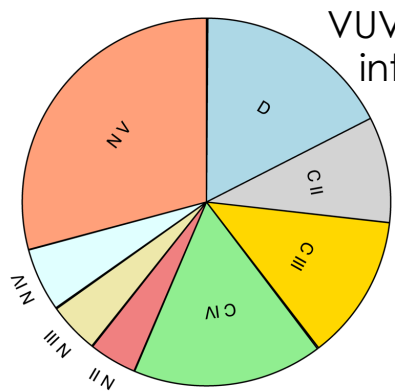
# Divertor conditions with dominant extrinsic divertor radiator typically achieved in DIII-D with increased dilution unchanged intrinsic impurity

- We already routinely achieve conditions where extrinsic impurity is the dominant divertor radiator (e.g., N)
  - Achieved at increased dilution with an unchanged intrinsic impurity concentration
  - Seeding adds external control, but complicated by wall retention
- Higher  $T_e$  at peak  $P_{\text{rad}}$  of possible seeded radiators should reduce confinement degradation for deeply detached conditions (e.g. X-point radiator)



Fraction of VUV line radiation in outer divertor leg

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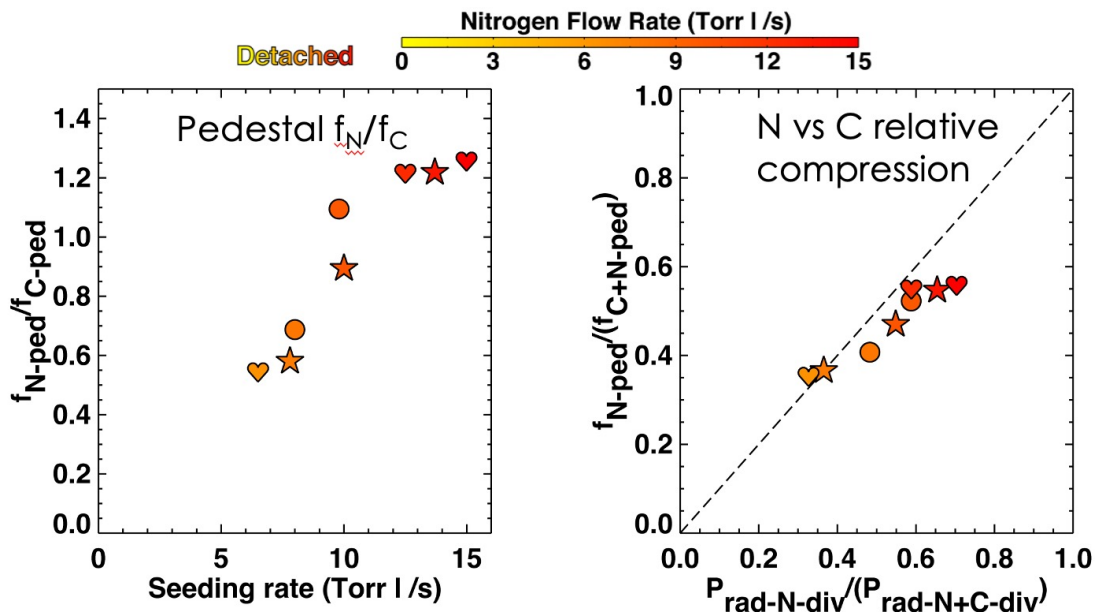
VUV Power integral

N IV, N V dominant radiators

Detached,  $N_2$  9 Torr l/s  
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# At constant seeding, comparable radial transport and effective compression between C and N should make easy transition

- With constant seeding,  $f_{N\text{-ped}}/f_{C\text{-ped}}$  linear with seeding rate, comparable C, N radial transport
- Comparable effective compression for N, C (core concentration/divertor power share)



# Radiative divertor characterization will need re-optimization of imaging and spectroscopy with transition to seeded impurities

- **DIII-D radiative divertor characterization relies on VIS + VUV spec. and VIS imaging**
  - VUV of resonance transitions for radiated power share
  - VIS spectroscopy + VIS imaging for impurity concentration and radiation front imaging
- **Move to higher Z seeded radiators shifts useful spectral range towards UV**
  - VUV resonance lines will still provide coverage for dominant low Z seeded radiated power
  - Workhorse line for radiation front is C III 465nm (10-12 eV, around VUV C IV emission)
  - N equivalent transition → N IV 348 nm, radiation front imaging in UV
  - Ne, Ar imaging also too challenging in VIS
  - N, Ne, Ar line ratios in UV region as used in AUG

