ELM Suppression in DIII-D ITER-like Plasmas Using n=2 Magnetic Perturbations,* R. Nazikian, B.A. Grierson, M. Okabayashi, B.J. Tobias, PPPL; D. Eldon, T.E. Evans, N.M. Ferraro, R.J. Groebner, C. Paz-Soldan, E.J. Strait, GA; S.R. Haskey, ANU; J.D. King, ORISE; G.R. McKee, UWisc.; R.A. Moyer, D.M. Orlov, UCSD; M.W. Shafer, ORNL – A robust window of edge localized mode (ELM) suppression was observed at elevated magnetic safety factor ($q_{95}$≈4.1) in ITER-like plasmas with even parity n=2 resonant magnetic perturbation (RMP) using the internal I-coils. Variation of the upper and lower I-coil phasing was used to explore the importance of pitch alignment vs kink alignment for ELM suppression. Both the pedestal density and ELM suppression were strongly dependent on I-coil phasing and a large variation in the plasma response amplitude was measured on multiple diagnostics. Surprisingly, toroidal rotation of the even parity n=2 RMP led to the loss of ELM suppression, indicating that components of the residual error field orthogonal to the kink mode may be important near the threshold for ELM suppression.

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