

# Control of Type-I ELMs by Resonant Magnetic Perturbations in ITER Similar Shaped Plasmas on DIII-D\*

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Using the new high triangularity ( $\delta$ ) pumping capability on DIII-D, suppression of large Type-I ELMs by  $n=3$  Resonant Magnetic Perturbations (RMPs) from an internal coil (I-coil) was extended to ITER Similar Shape (ISS) plasmas with the ITER pedestal collisionality,  $v_e^* \sim 0.1$ . Complete edge localized mode (ELM) suppression was achieved in a narrower  $q_{95}$  operating window and required  $\sim 20\%$  greater I-coil current than for comparable plasmas with lower  $\delta$  shapes, but a substantial reduction of the energy loss per ELM, during higher frequency ELMs, over a much wider  $q_{95}$  operating window suggests that  $q_{95}$  will not be a limiting factor for RMP ELM control in ITER. In plasmas where ELMs are completely eliminated, peeling-ballooning stability analysis shows that the pedestal operating point is in the stable region near the peeling unstable boundary consistent with previous low  $\delta$ , low  $v_e^*$  results. The applied RMP reduces the pedestal pressure gradient  $\nabla p^{\text{TOT}}$  ( $\nabla n^{\text{ped}}$  reduced while  $\nabla T^{\text{ped}}$  increased slightly) to achieve edge stability. The plasma response to pellet injection confirms that the effective pedestal particle confinement is reduced  $\sim 2x$  during ELM suppression. Core and pedestal impurities do not increase during ELM suppression. The dependences of ELM energy losses with variations in  $n_e$ ,  $q_{95}$ , and  $\delta b_r/B_T$  (fixed  $q_{95}$ ) will be presented along with results from very recent studies of the dependence on toroidal rotation and the physics mechanisms responsible for the changes in the particle transport.

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