

# DIII-D 2018 LONG TORUS OPENING EHANCEMENT PROJECT

# Enabling studies of burning plasma physics and sustainment

The DIII-D National Fusion Facility is undergoing major upgrades in 2018 and 2019

These enhancements will enable very high-pressure plasmas to explore the bootstrap effect and resolve how to achieve self-sustaining configurations

## **Off-Axis Neutral Particle Beam**



Beam assembly





New support structure

Beam port on DIII-D



Off-axis neutral beam schematic



- Provides increased off-axis current drive to improve access to high performance, fully non-inductive steady-state scenarios
- 5 MW of injected power with variable energy injection from 40 - 80 kV

# **Top-Launch Electron-Cyclotron Current Drive**

- Increased off-axis current drive improves access to steady-state equilibria at zero input torque
- Applies engineering upgrade of new injection location with well-established electron-cyclotron transmission technology
- 50% 100% increase in current drive compared to standard launch geometry
- Explore burning-plasma-like conditions with high electron temperatures
- Understand how to control instabilities and edge localized modes in ITER and beyond



New waveguide



New launch trajectory

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#### **New High-Frequency "Helicon" Radio Wave Antenna**



- Provides high-power tests of new technology for efficient sustained current
- Explore higher pressure and temperatures while increasing control of the plasma
- 1 MW of injected power for mid-radius current drive

#### Helicon fast wave

## High-field-side LHCD

- First of its kind DIII-D validation of HFS LHCD core wave physics and LHCD coupling
- Impurities and thermal loads mitigated by locating the LHCD coupler on the high field side
- Demonstrate efficient off-axis current drive at rho = 0.6 0.8



## **Divertor Improvements and Diagnostics**



- Uses of recycling neutrals to enhance divertor energy and momentum dissipation by leveraging divertor closure & target shaping
- Modeling and initial experiments indicate detachment and lowered divertor temperatures achievable for lower upstream densities.
- Realignment of one toroidal region to ensure better diagnostic comparisons, modeling fidelity.
- Also Improved diagnostics (See Diag Sheet)

SAS may significantly widen window for AT operation with cold divertor



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