



R&D Towards High Gradient CW Cavities

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Quest for High Q₀ and Gradient with Impurities

- Cavity performance dictated by first ~100 nm from RF surface
- N impurities
- High Q₀: N-doping
- High Gradient: N-Infusion
 Oxygen impurities:
- High Gradient: Low Temp. Bake
- High Q₀: ?

What is the precise role of O impurities in bulk Nb cavity performance?



Key Material Science Findings: Diffused O Enables High G in LTB Cavities



Utilizing Diffused O to Eliminate HFQS & Improve Gradient



Subjected TE1RI003 to sequential rounds of 120 C vacuum baking

As O diffuses deeper:

- HFQS onset increases
- Quench field improves



Solidifying the Role of O in the Mitigation of HFQS



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Effect of Oxygen Diffusion on Quench Field

Cavity maintained vacuum throughout entire study

- 90 C x 12 hr
 - HFQS
- 90 C x 384 hr
 - Diffuses oxygen ~64 nm, no HFQS up to quench
- 200 C x 1 hr
 - Rounding of curve
 - Reduction in quench
- 200C x 11 hr → O-Doped
 - Anti-Q slope
 - Reduction in quench





Diffusion Depth vs Quench Field



- Non-monotonic dependence of quench field on O diffusion depth
- HFQS regime: quench dominated by thermal origins

NOT ultimate quench reach of Nb cavities → single step diffusion; What about multi step diffusion?

Mid-T Bake data comes from S. Posen et al., PRA 13, 014024 (2020)



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New Cold EP + 2-Step Low-Temp Bake Enabling 50 MV/m

Grassellino et al. https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.09824



Transferred recipe to 9-cell cavities as part of ILC Cost Reduction effort

• Average E_{acc} = 40.4 MV/m!



Plasma Processing Applied to LCLS-II-HE vCM



B. Giaccone, THPOGE21, poster and talk this Thursday

B. Giaccone, et al. arXiv:2201.09770 (2022) After Plasma 2^{nd} cooldown 1st cooldown S. Posen et al. PRAB 25, 042001 (2022) Plasma processing can also eliminate multipacting: Possible to address both FE and MP in situ in CMs, decreasing CM testing time, commissioning time, and increasing the reliability during machine operations.



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DUNE Physics Program



Fermilab Accelerator Complex Upgrades to reach 2.4MW



After PIP-II goes online, booster will be the bottleneck for proton power on target for LBNF/DUNE

Slide courtesy of S. Posen



Booster Replacement Linac Layout

- High gradient pulsed SRF linac to 8 GeV
- CM similar to LCLS-II design
 - 8 x 1.3 GHz 9-cells
 - Quadrupole magnet
- Q₀ = 1E10, E_{acc} = 31.5 MV/m
 - Already achieved by cold EP + 2-step bake
- Plasma processing may be used to mitigate FE and MP



See white paper for full details: S. Belomestnykh et al. arXiv:2203.05052

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Conclusions

- Acquiring a deeper understanding on the role of impurities in cavity performance
- Able to tune cavity performance *via* simple low temperature baking
- Dramatic improvements in cavity performance with cold EP + 2-step bake
- Plasma processing may provide the potential for *in situ* mitigation of field emission and multi-pacting in cryomodules
- These advances in SRF cavity performance have enabled potential cost reduction for future accelerators
 - Use technology in a potential LINAC for the Fermilab booster replacement in LBNF/DUNE



Thank you for your attention!

