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# Dynamics of vacancies and self-interstitial atoms in beryllium and its implications on hydrogen retention

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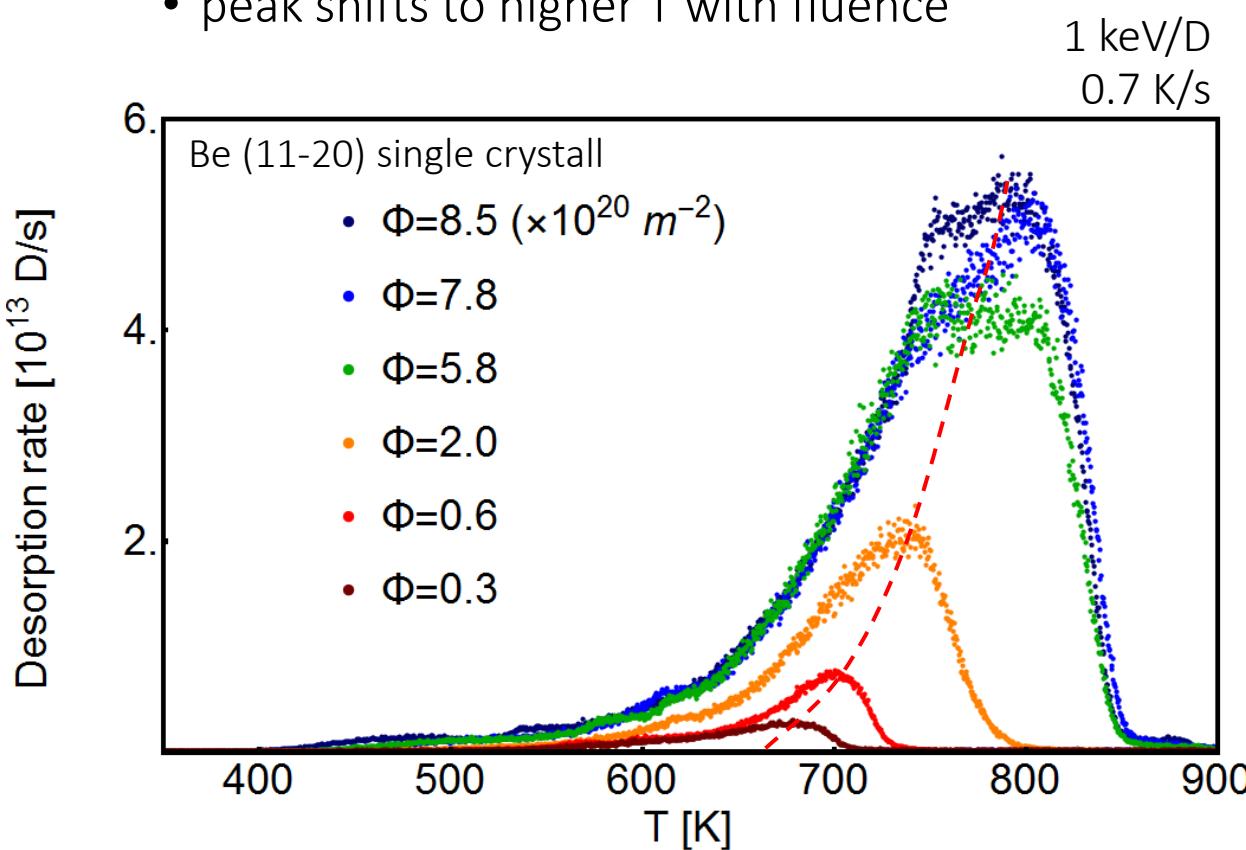
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# Experimental: Earlier experiments in ARTOSS (D ion beam exposure under UHV)

## Low to moderate exposure fluence [1]

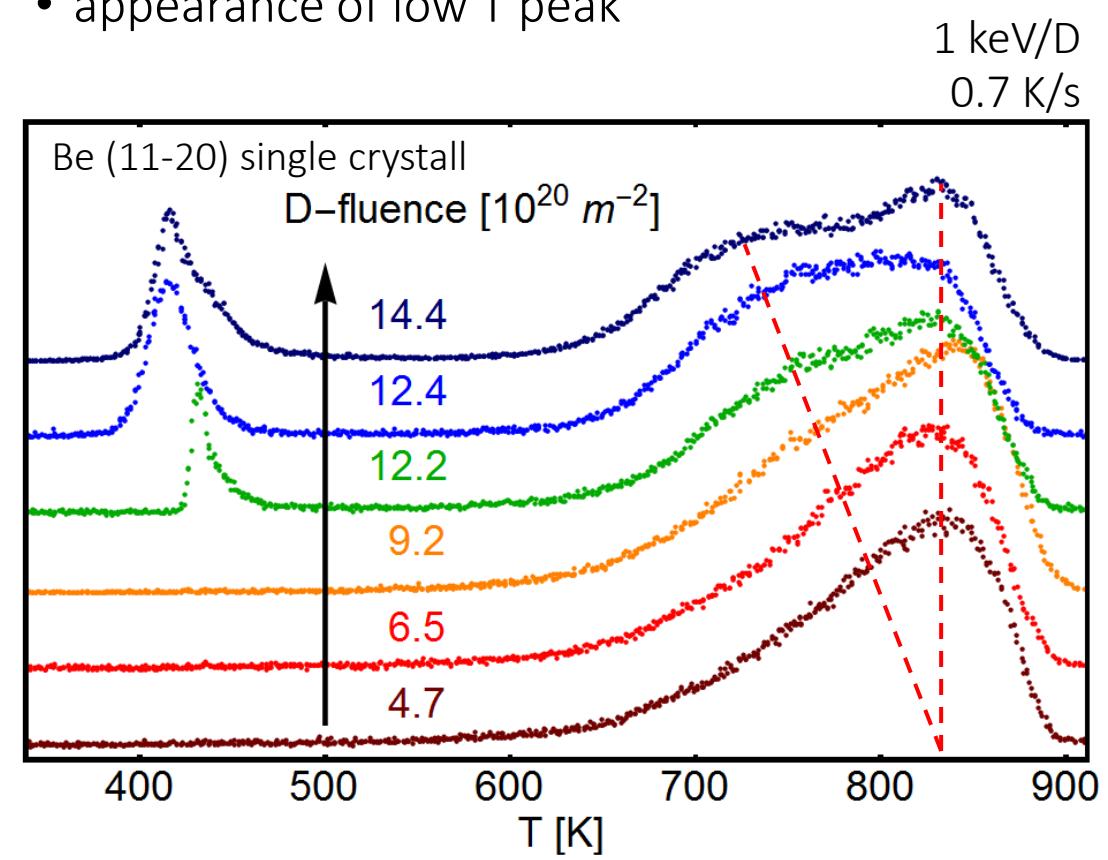
- only single peak, high T desorption
- peak shifts to higher T with fluence



[1] M. Oberkofler, PhD thesis 2012 IPP 17/31

## Moderate to high exposure fluence [2]

- high T peak left shoulder forms
- appearance of low T peak

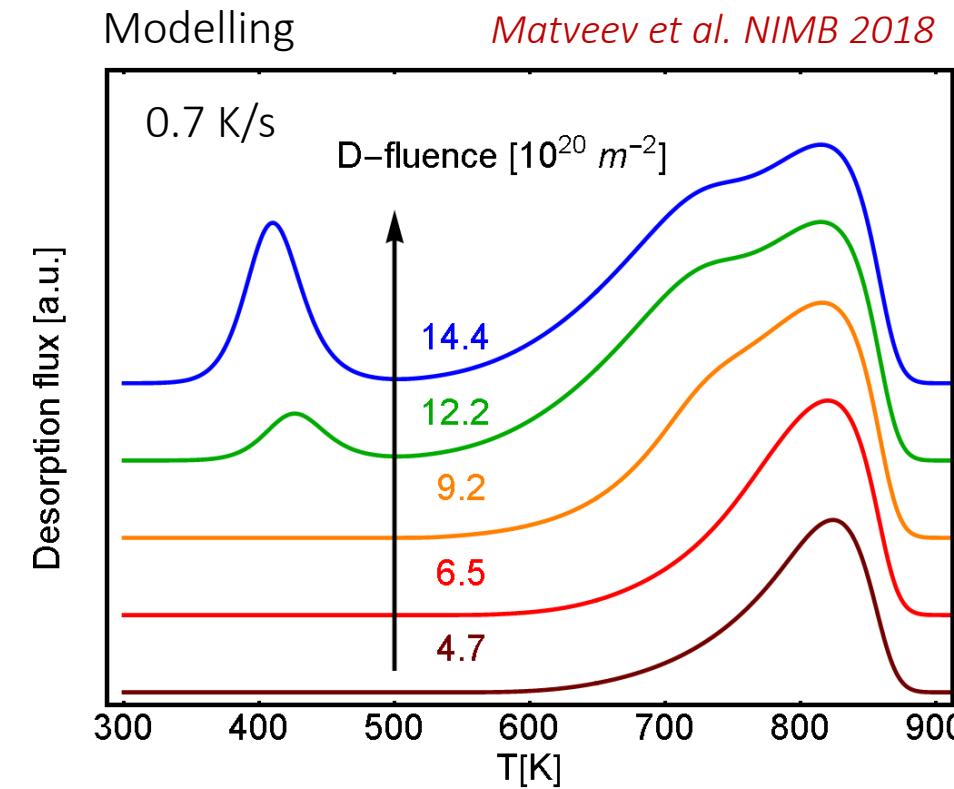
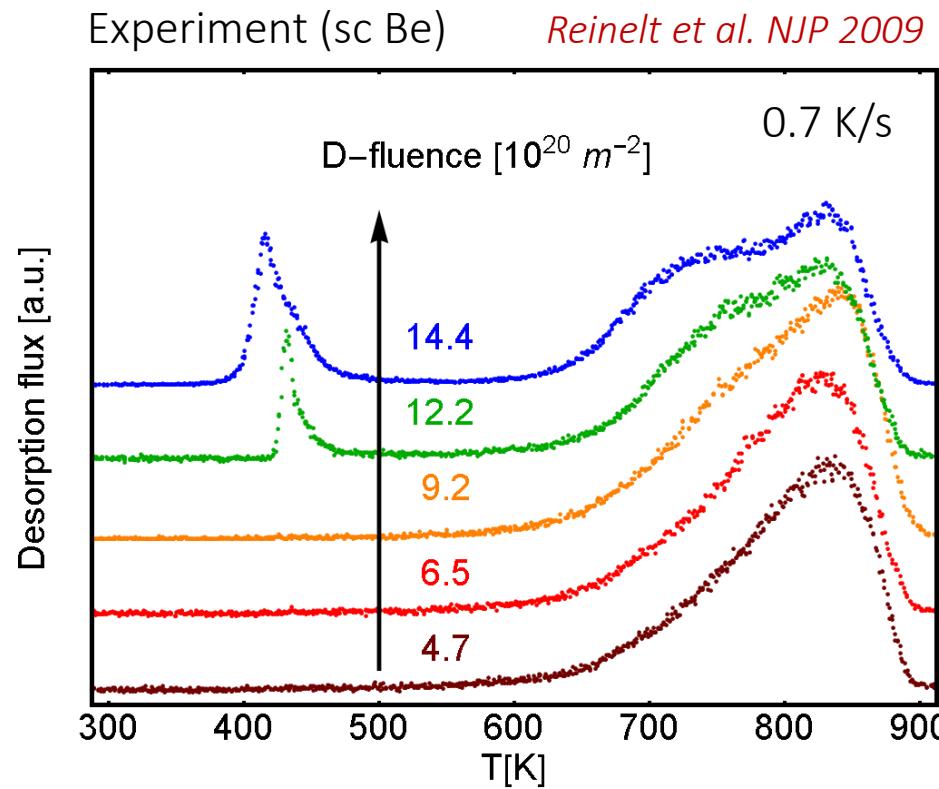


[2] M. Reinelt, NJP 11 (2009) 043023

Fluence dependence of D retention in ion-beam implanted sc Be

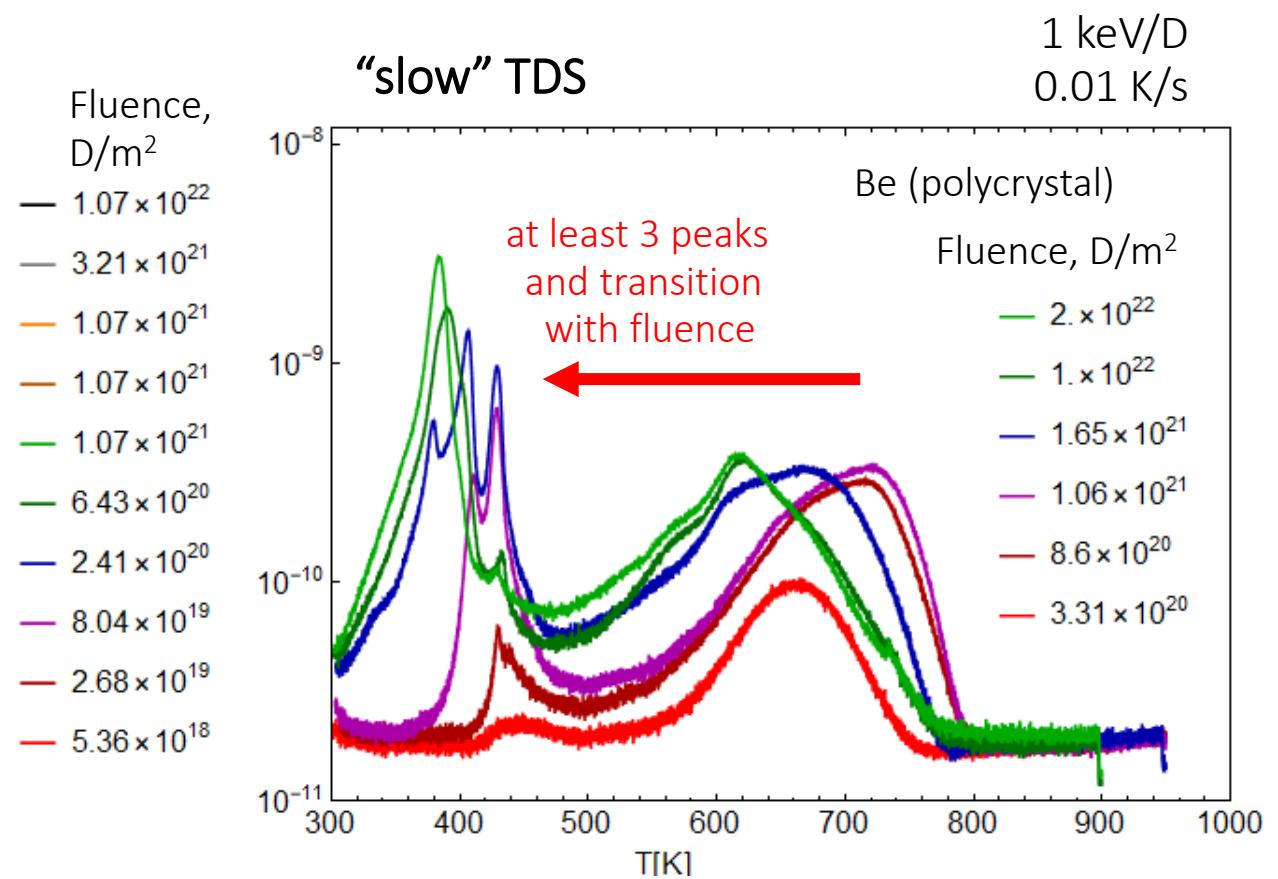
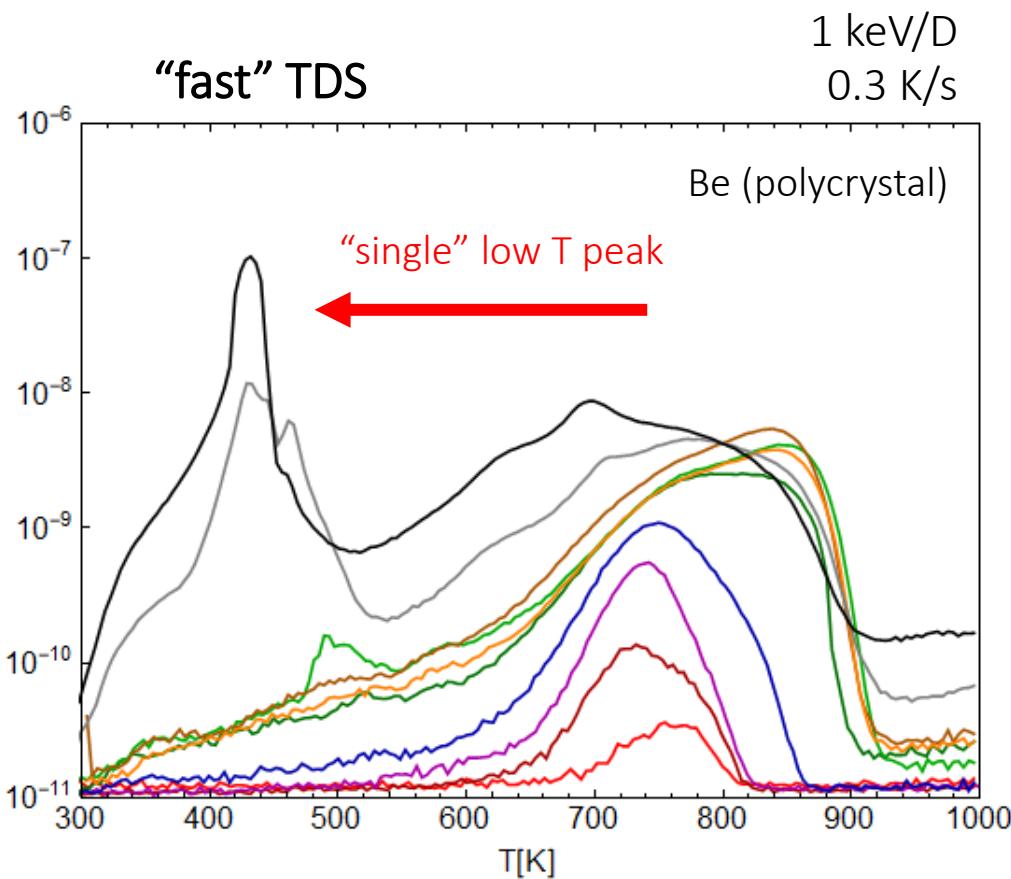
Low to moderate fluence: number of V increases linearly with fluence → re-trapping leads to peak shift

Moderate to high fluence: V production saturates (?) → D/V ratio increases with fluence up to D/V = 5 (DFT)  
 → excess D goes to surfaces (extended surface area as an approximation for open surface porosity)



# Experimental: More recent experiments in ARTOSS

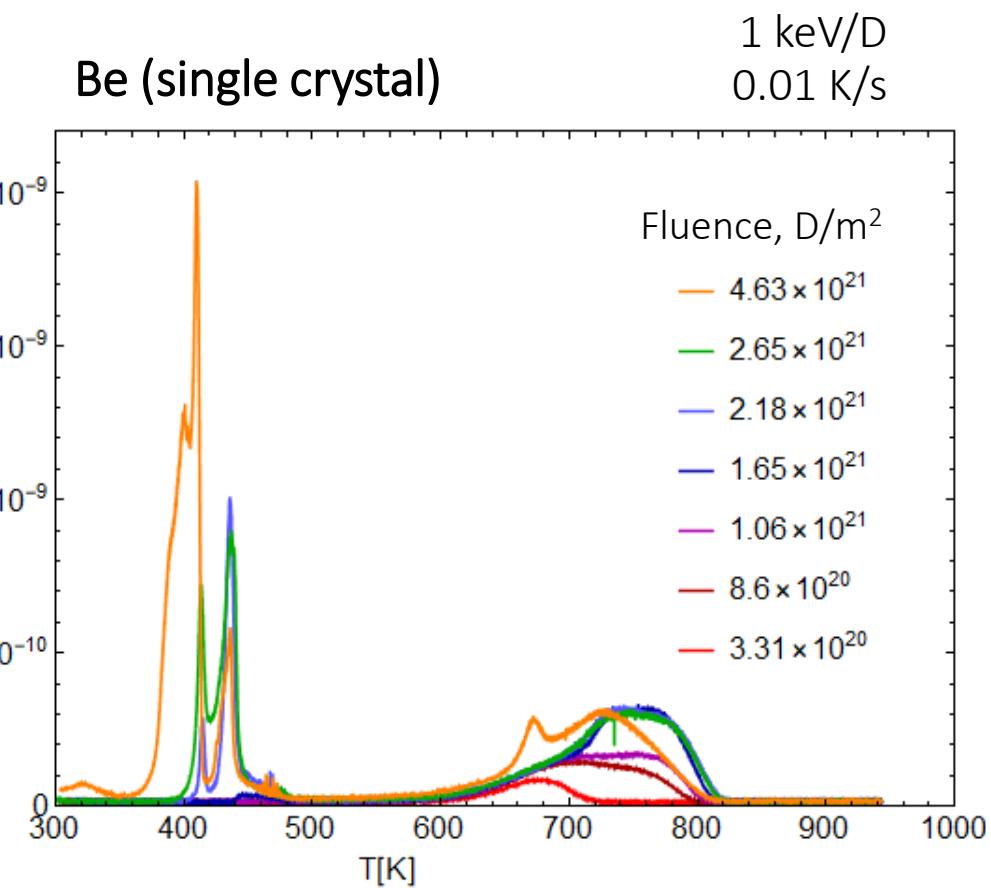
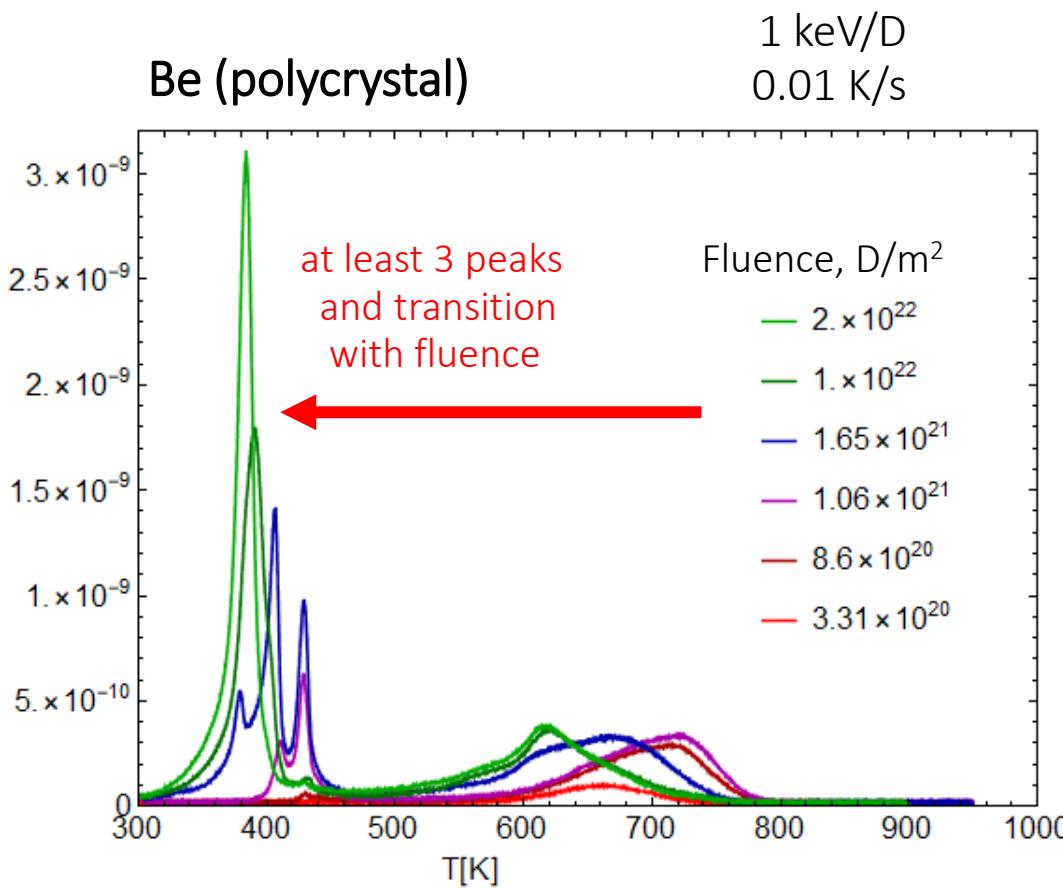
Retention and release at different fluences ranging over  $\sim 3$  orders of magnitude



M. Eichler, JNM 19 (2019) 440–444

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# Experimental: Retention in Be:D co-deposited layers (lab vs JET)

Similarity to co-deposited layers with high D content -> very sharp low temperature peak

Samples of different origin

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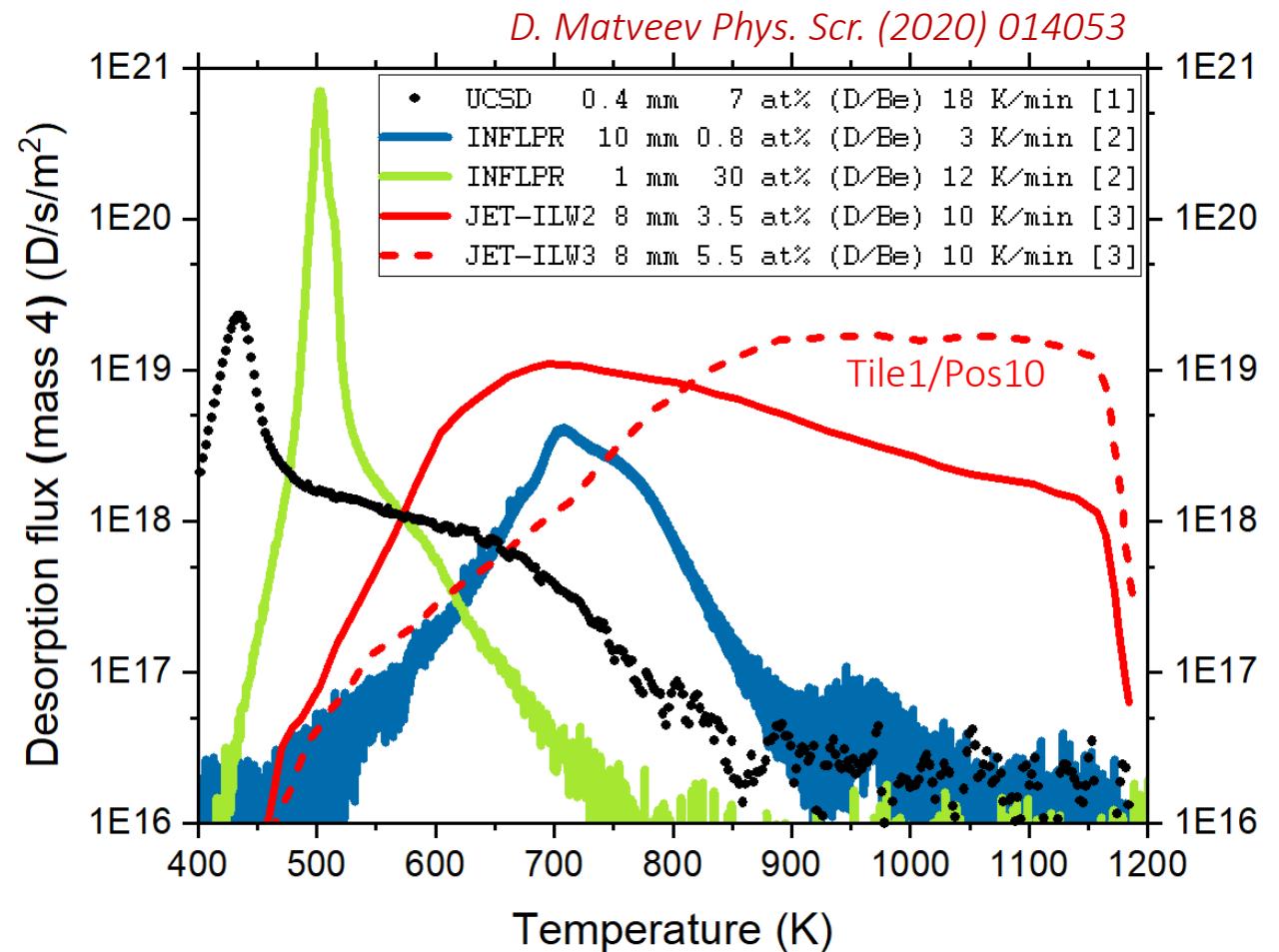
[1] A. Založník NF 59 (2019) 126027

INFLPR, Bucharest

[2] M. Zlobinski NME 19 (2019) 503

JET

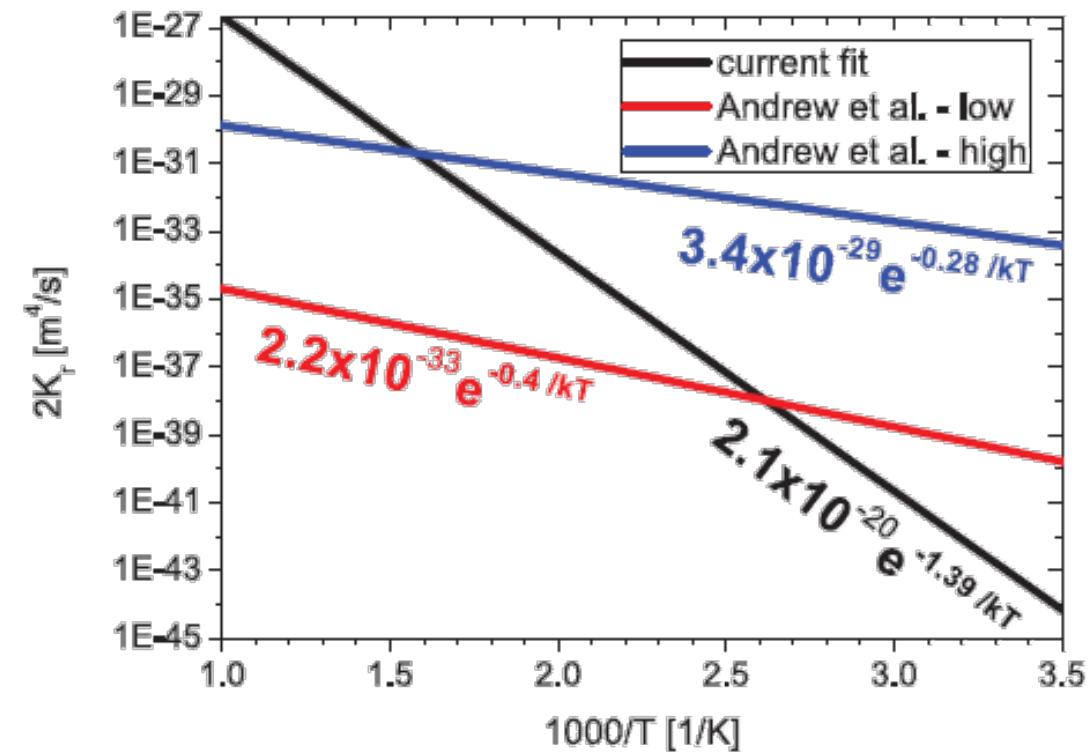
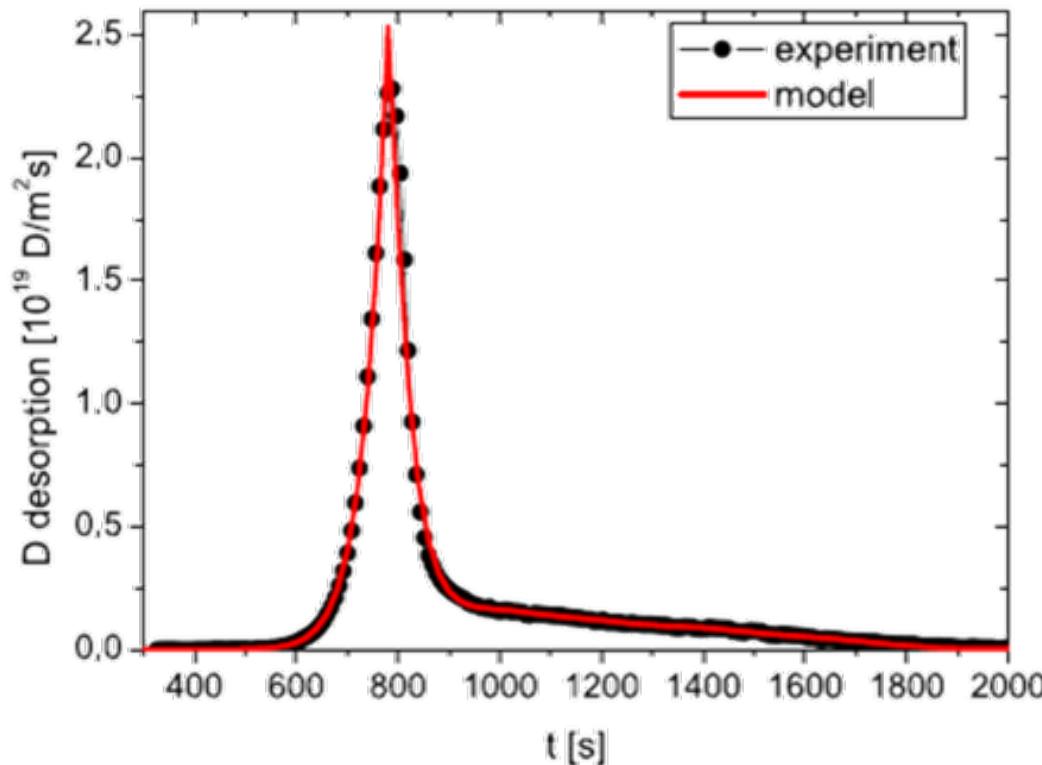
[3] J. Likonen NME 19 (2019) 166



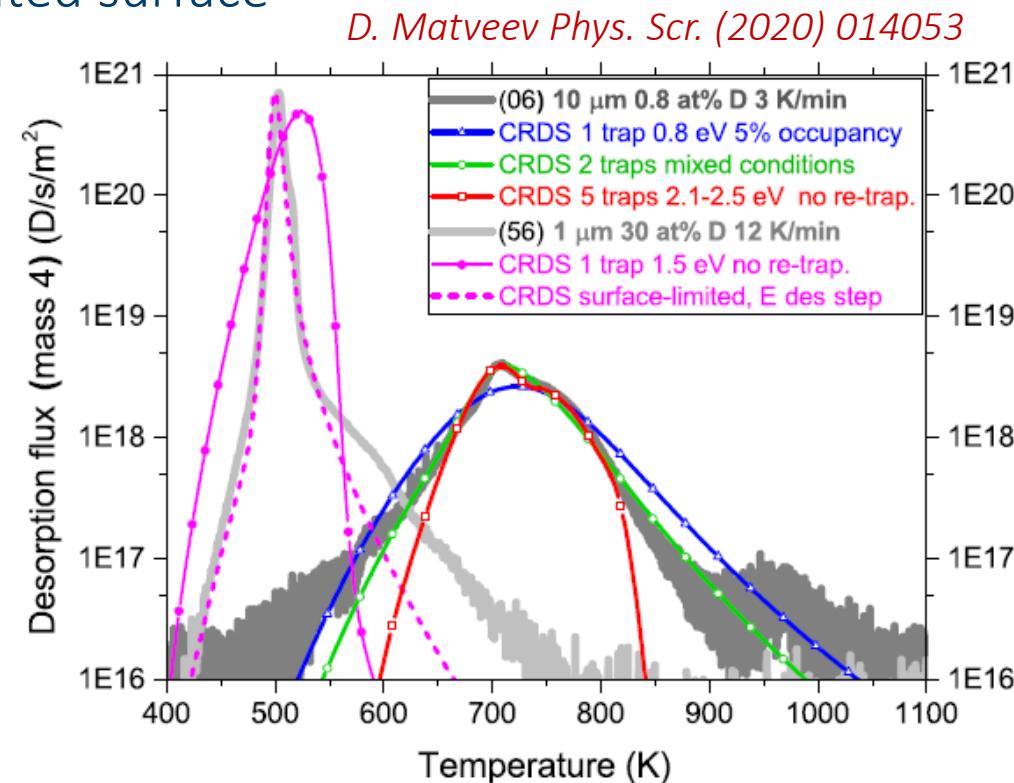
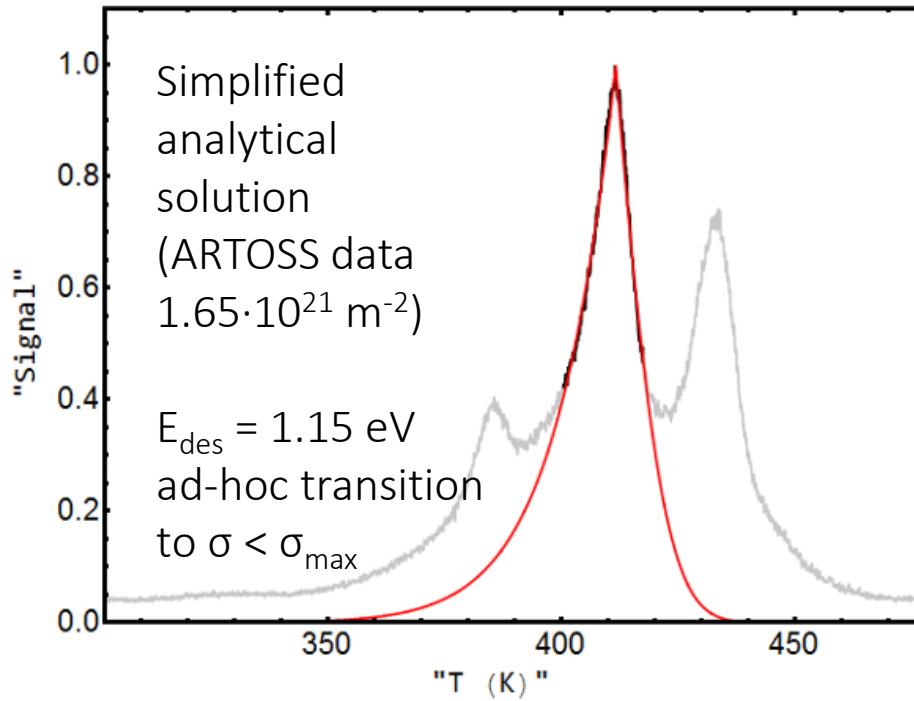
# Models for the sharp low temperature desorption

## 1) Decomposition of BeD<sub>2</sub> with fitted recombination

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## 2) Desorption-limited outgassing with saturated surface

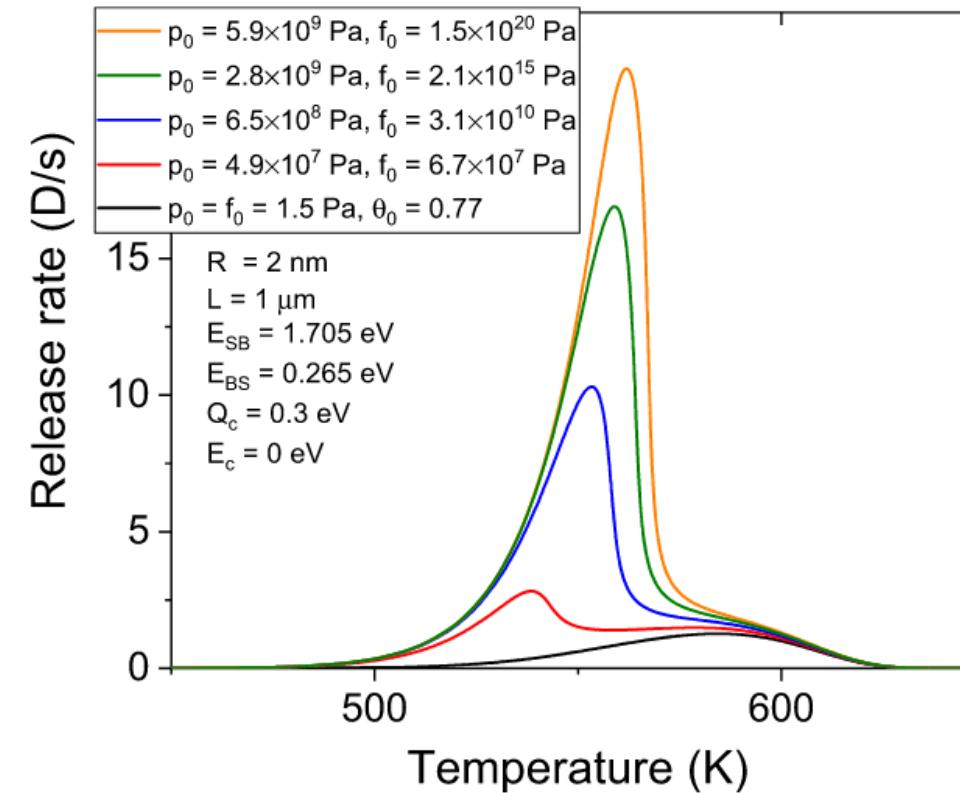
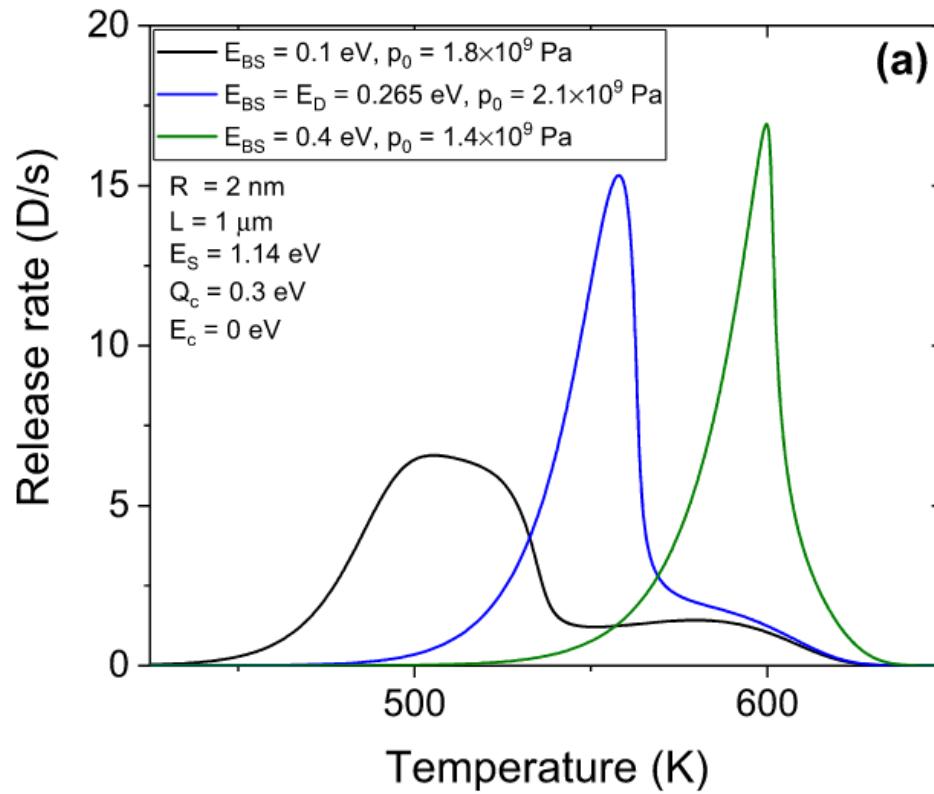


Desorption is limited by the surface and de-trapping and diffusion are assumed to be fast. Surface is saturated up to the maximum capacity  $\sigma_{max}$ . Desorption follows the temperature dependence of the recombination coefficient until D influx from the bulk cannot keep  $\sigma = \sigma_{max}$

# Models for the sharp low temperature desorption

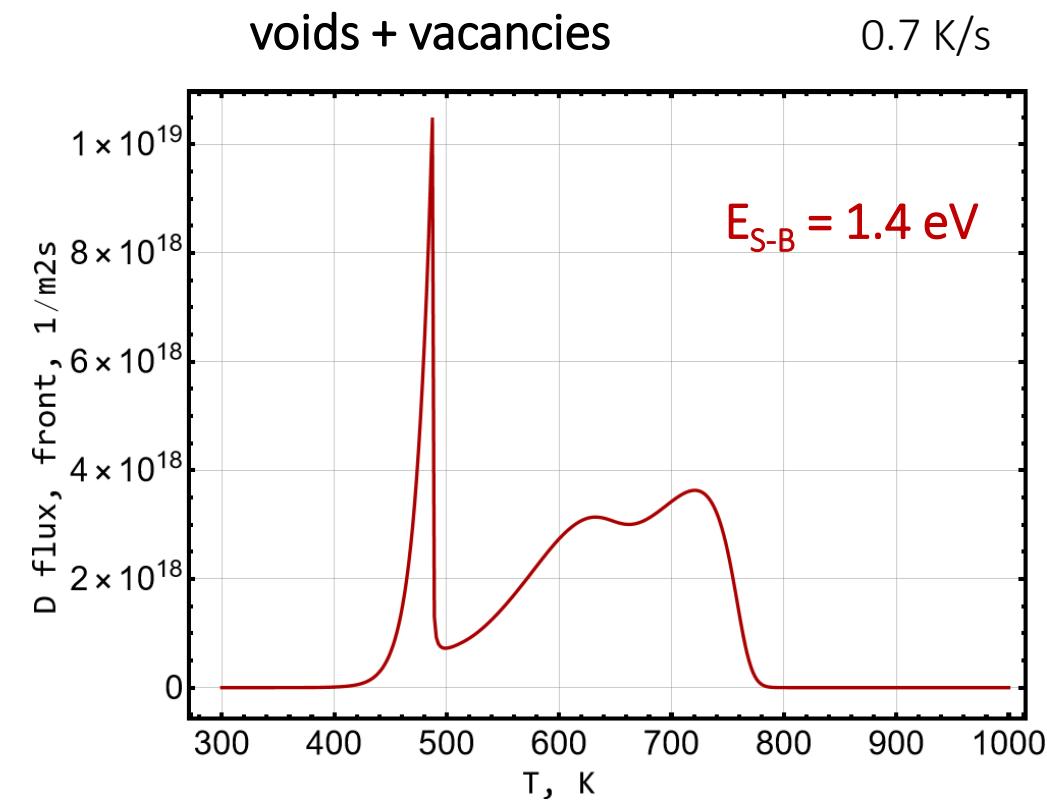
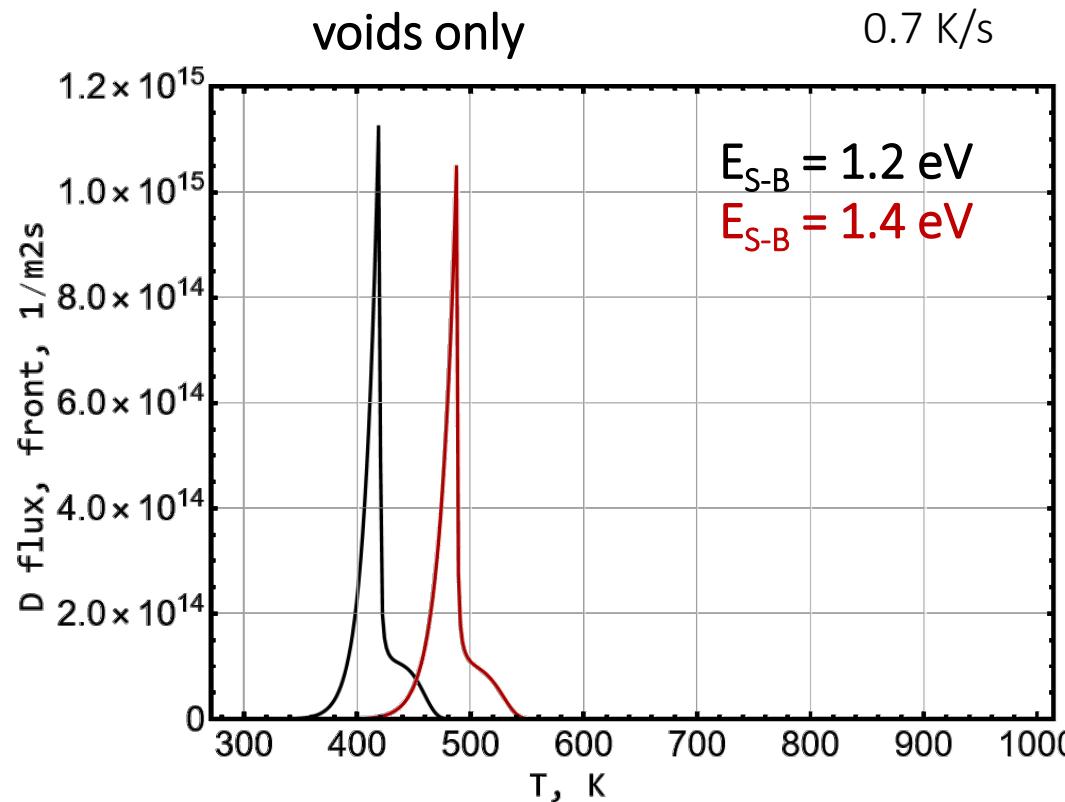
## 3) Release from gas-filled cavities (spherical voids)

M. Zibrov and K. Schmid, NME 30 (2022) 101121  
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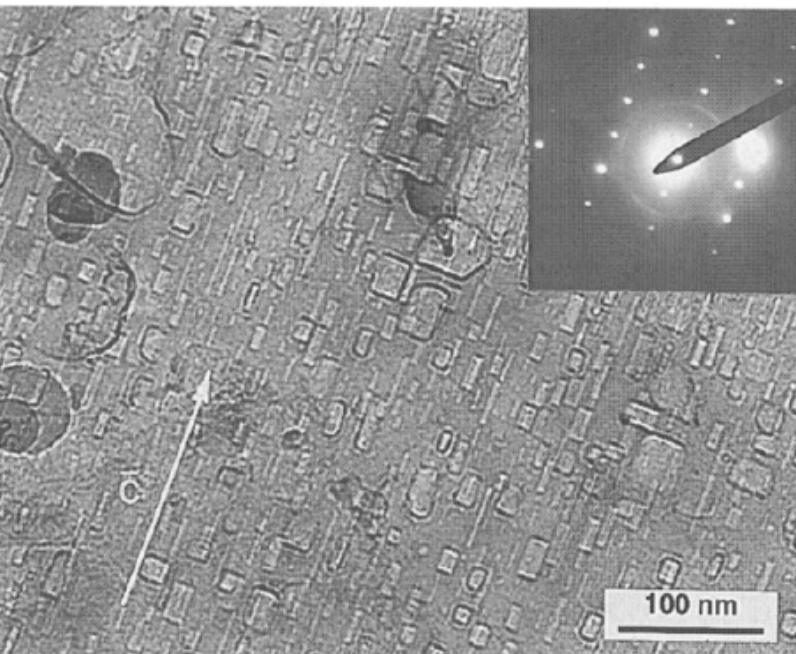
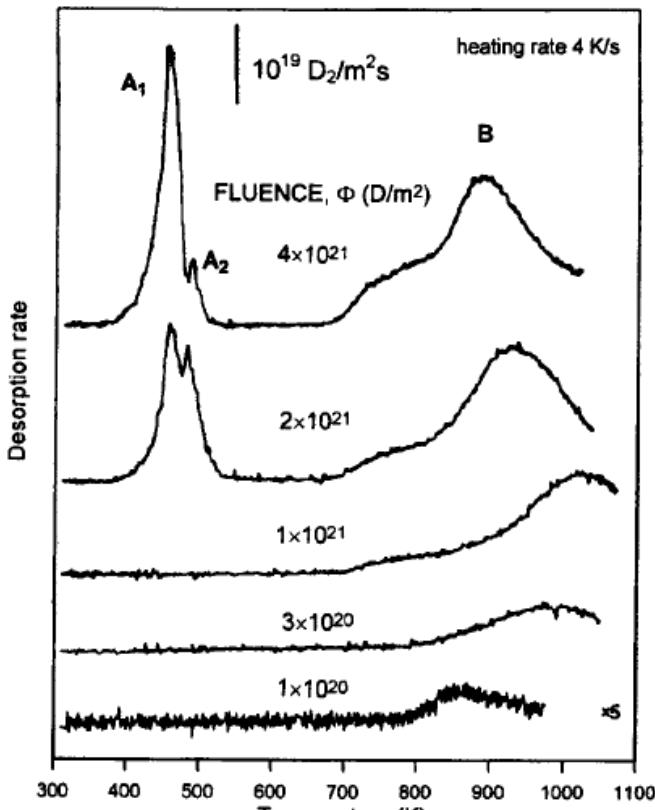
EOS for  $D_2$  in the cavity at high pressure ( $p \leq 10^{11} \text{ Pa}$ ): J.-M. Joubert, Acta Mater. 59 (2011) 1680

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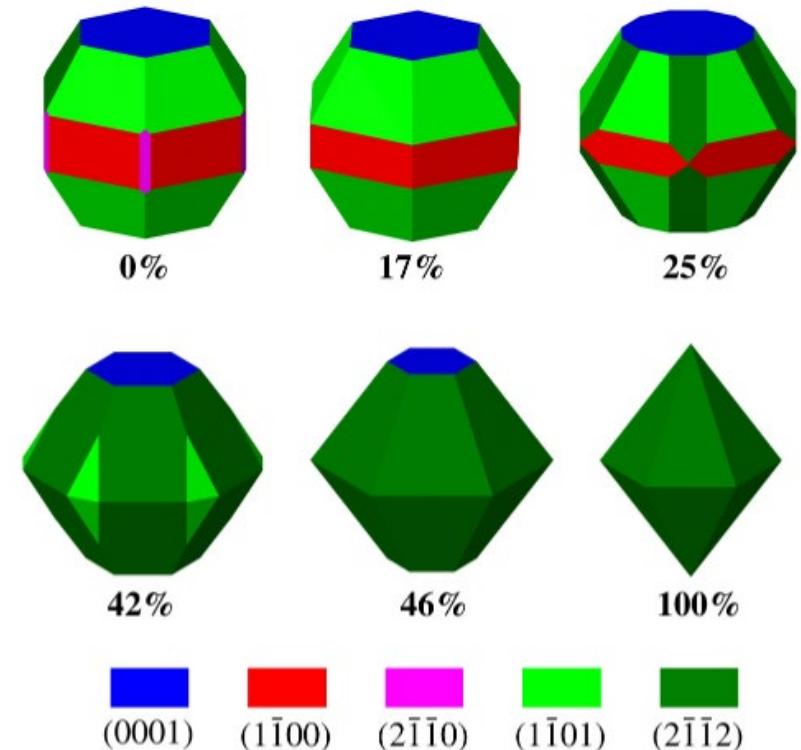


10 keV/D @ 500K |  $4 \times 10^{21} \text{ D}/\text{m}^2$

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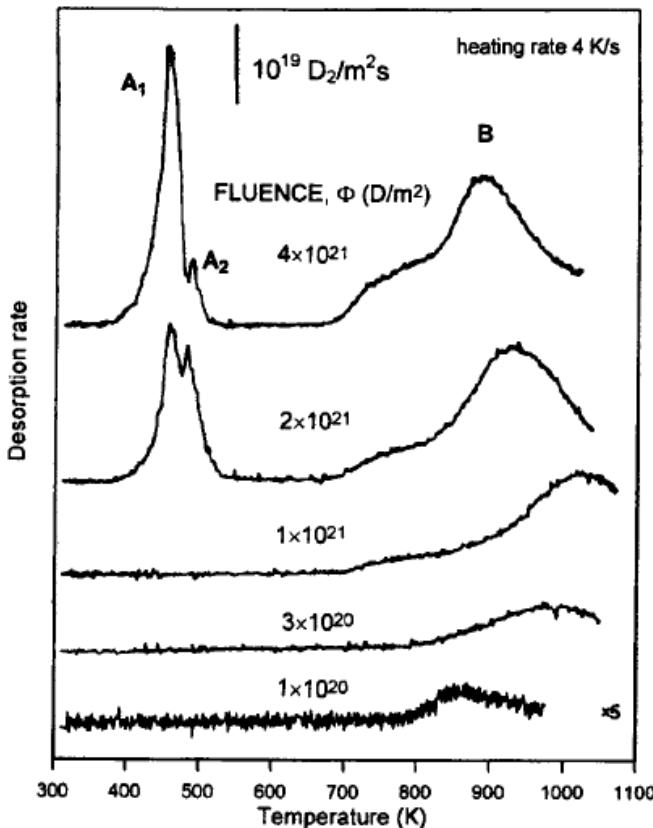
Equilibrium shape of void vs H coverage



Bachurin FED 109-111 (2016) 1432

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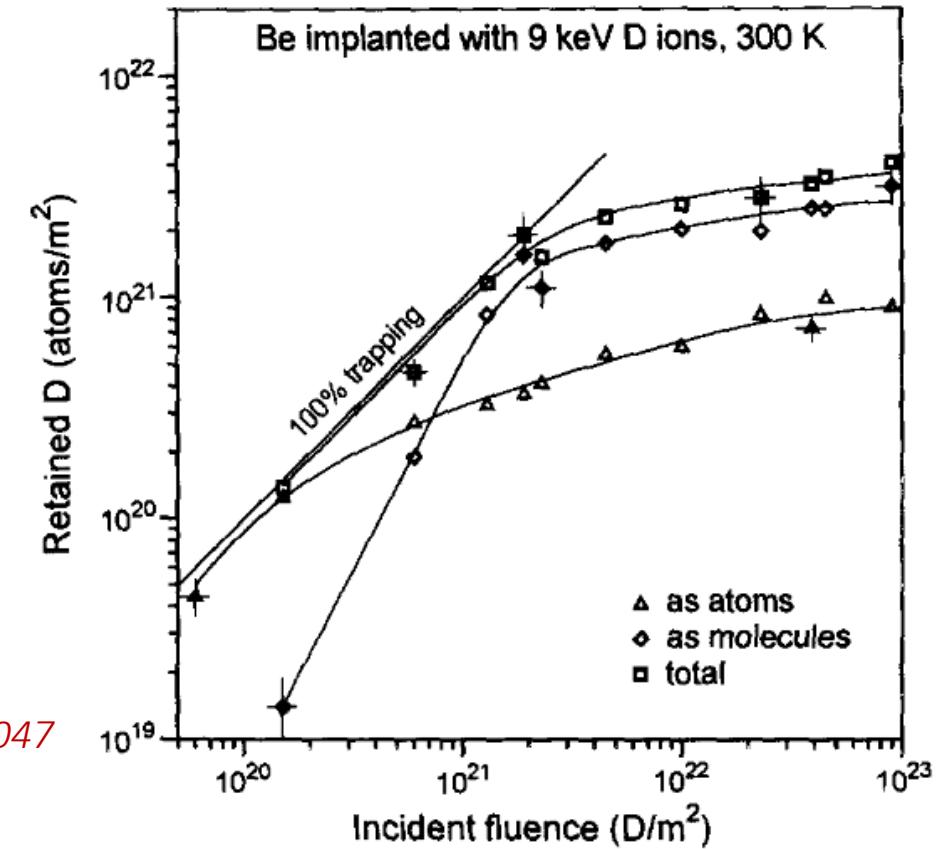
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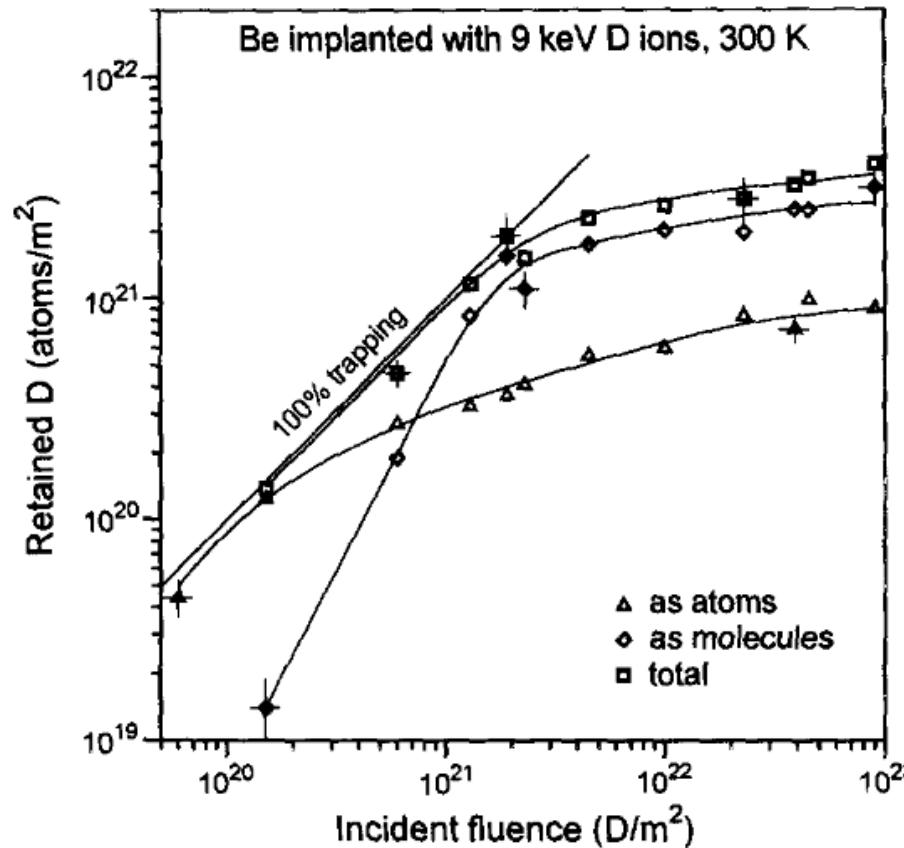
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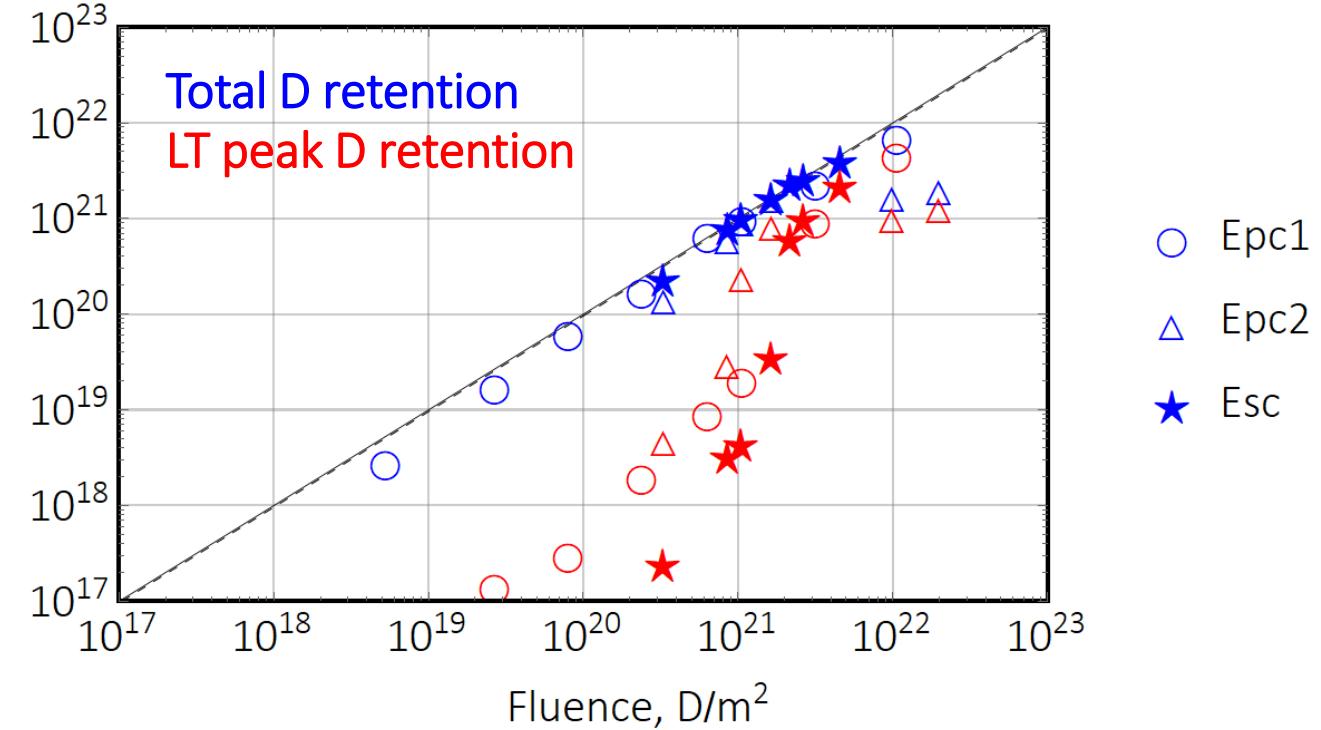


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Retained D (atoms/m<sup>2</sup>)



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DFT data on diffusion and trapping: *L. Ferry, PhD Thesis (2017), CNRS / JNM 524 (2019) 323-329*

D, V0 and SIA - Gaussian sources based on SDTrimSP

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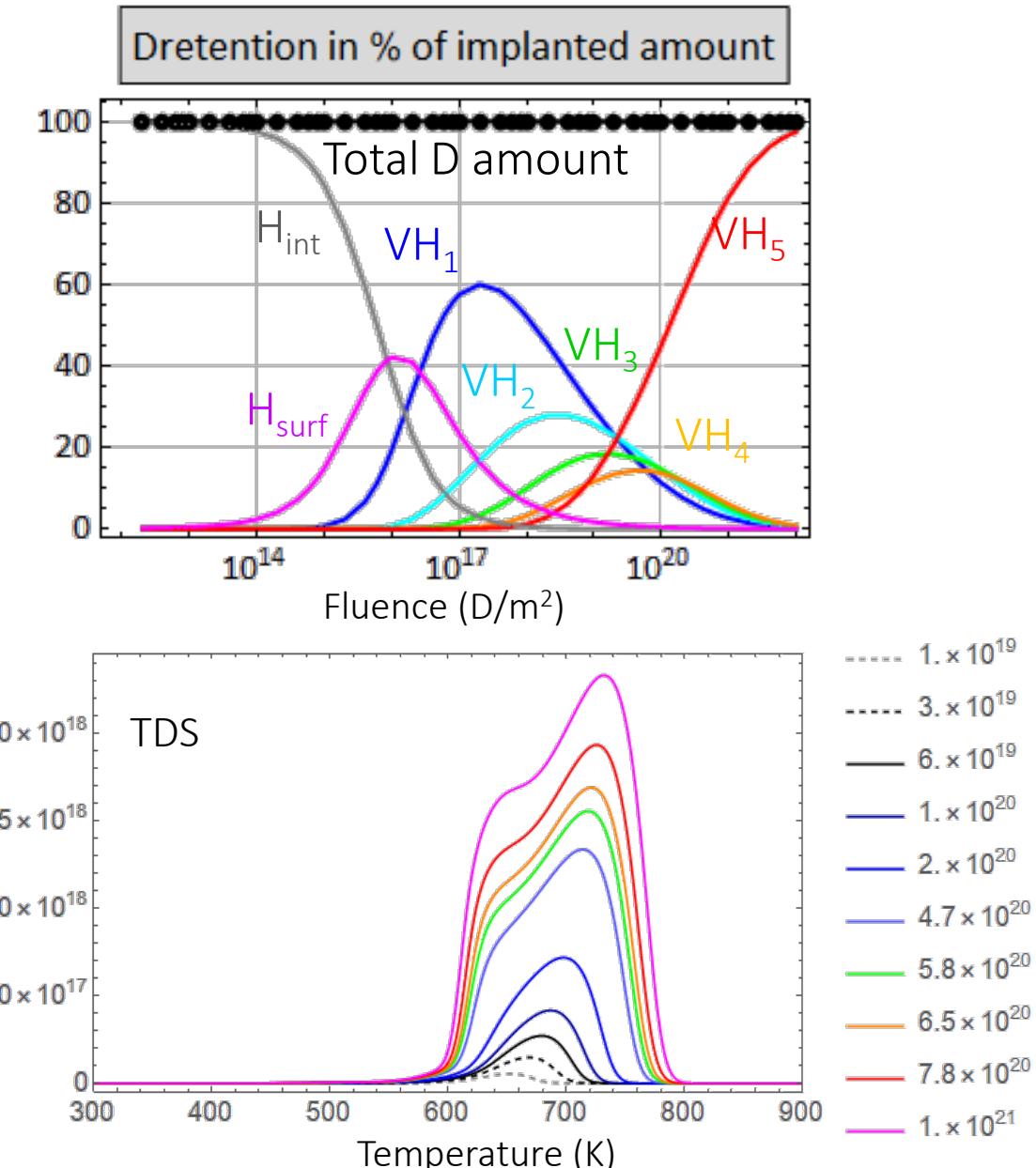
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### With SIA + V(0) only recombination

- SIA + VH<sub>j</sub> annihilation not permitted
- Surface remains empty – enough V to accommodate all implanted D
- V are created up to unphysical concentrations
- No saturation of high temperature TDS peak
- **Contradicts experimental observations**



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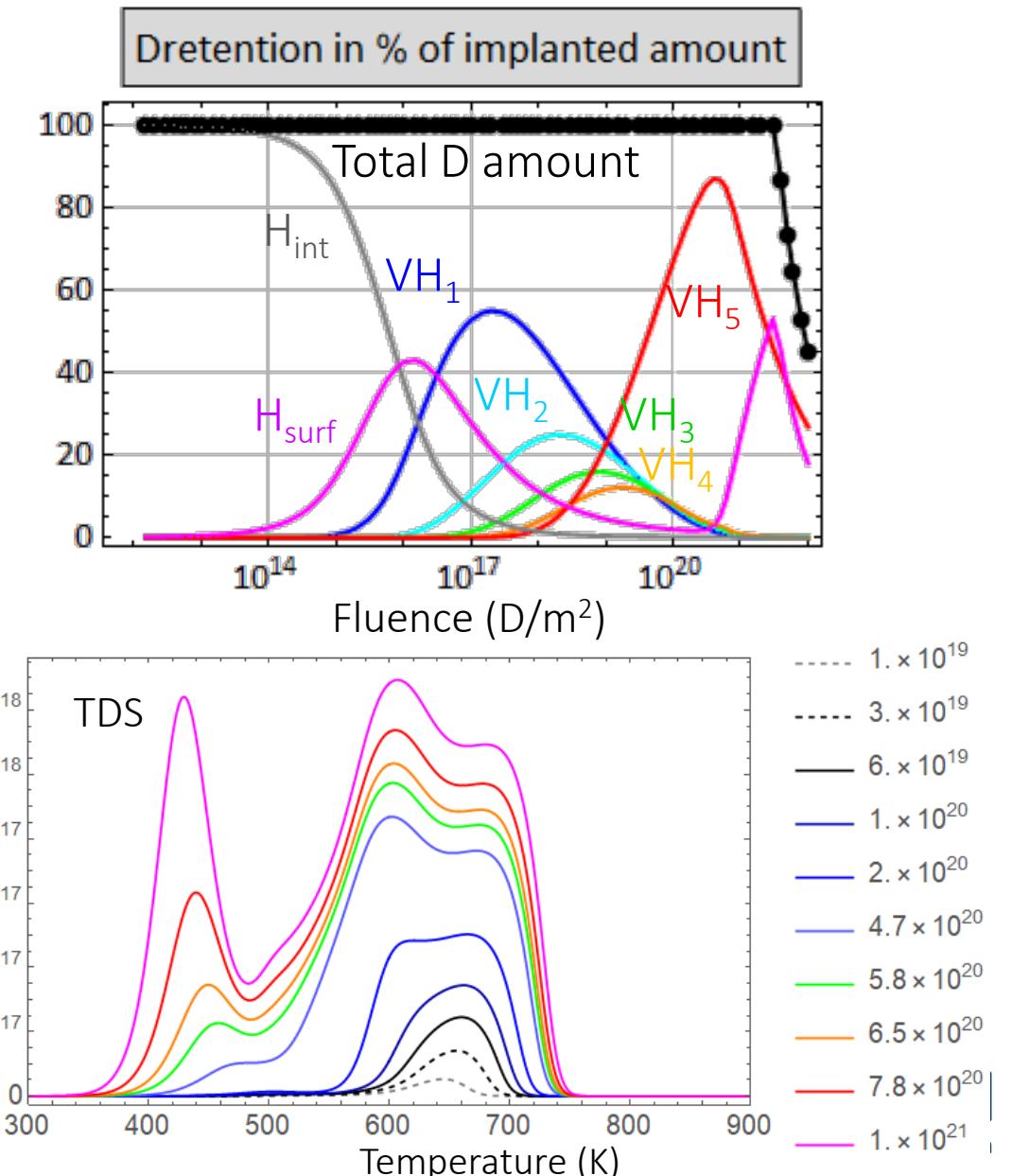
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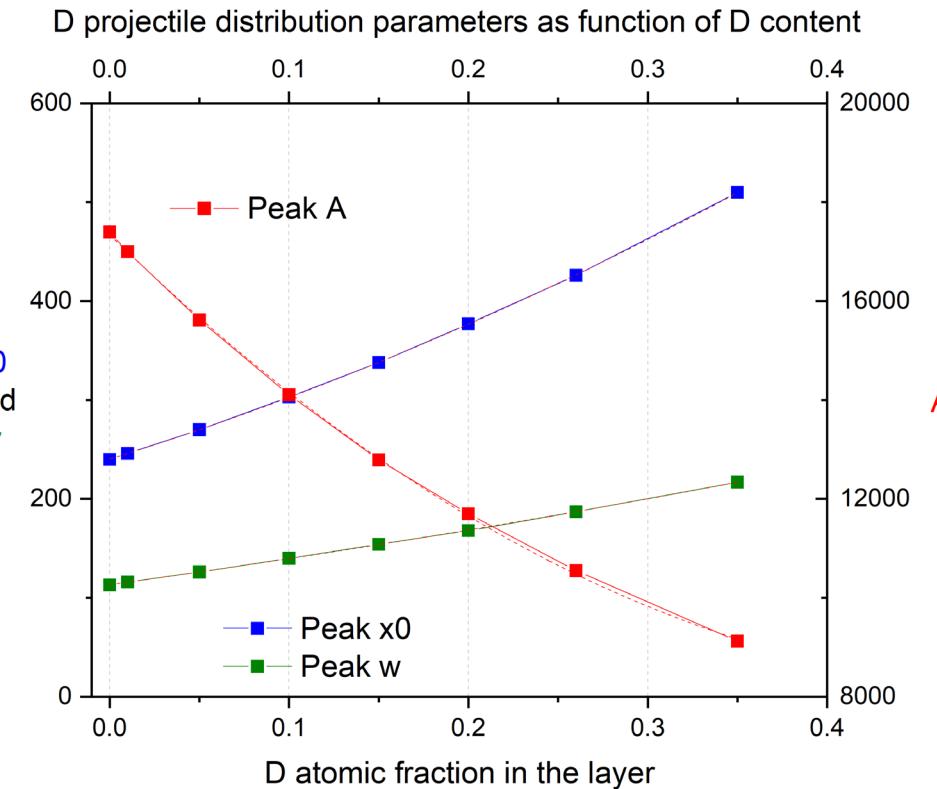
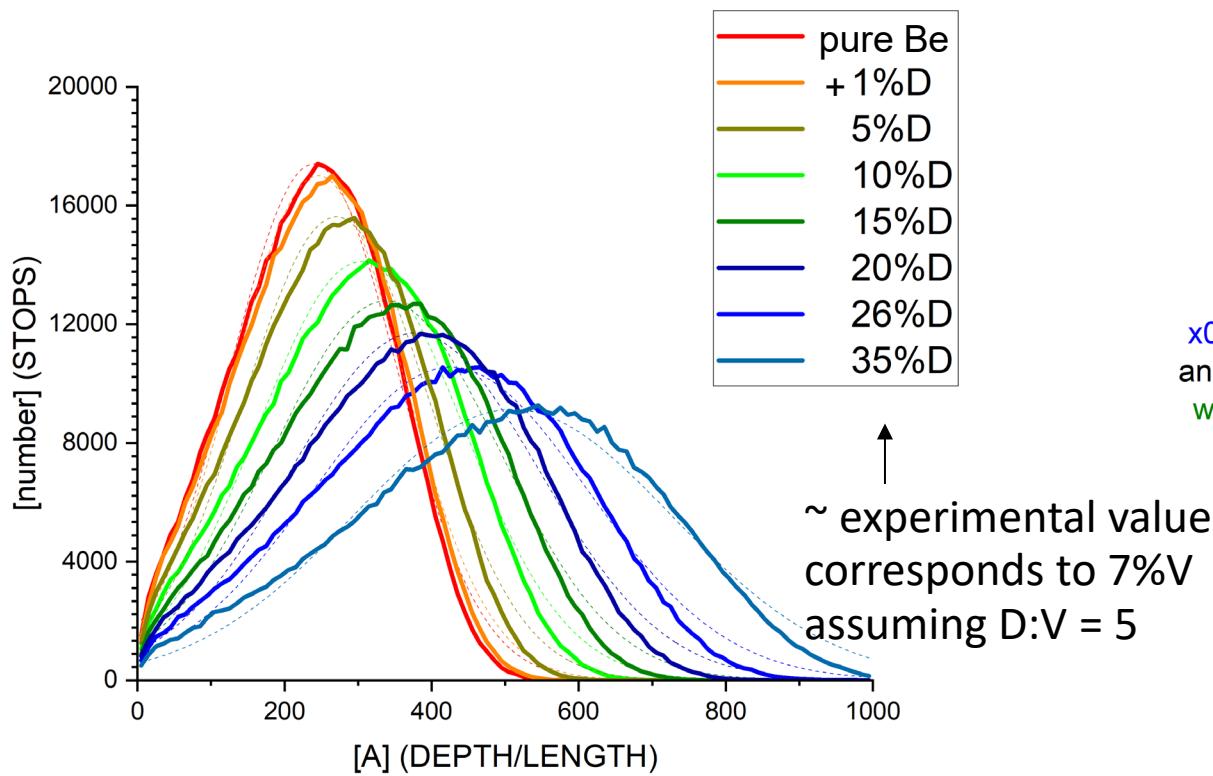
**With SIA + all VH<sub>j</sub> recombination** → suggestion from  
*DFT-NEB by Y. Ferro*

- Vacancy survival continuously
- Still no complete saturation of HT peak
- Other effects (V clustering?) must be at play
- Surface population from about  $10^{21}$  D/m<sup>2</sup>
- Better agreement with experiment
- Indirect confirmation of DFT results:  
SIA + VH<sub>j</sub> recombine w/o energy barrier



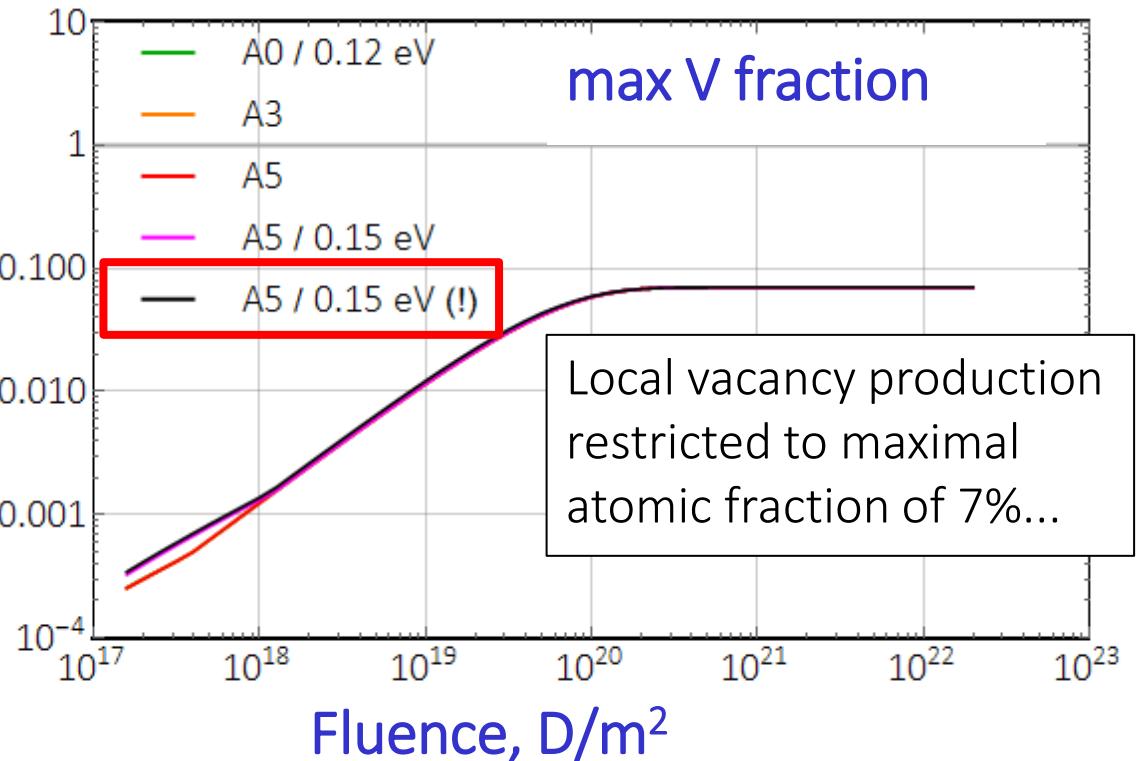
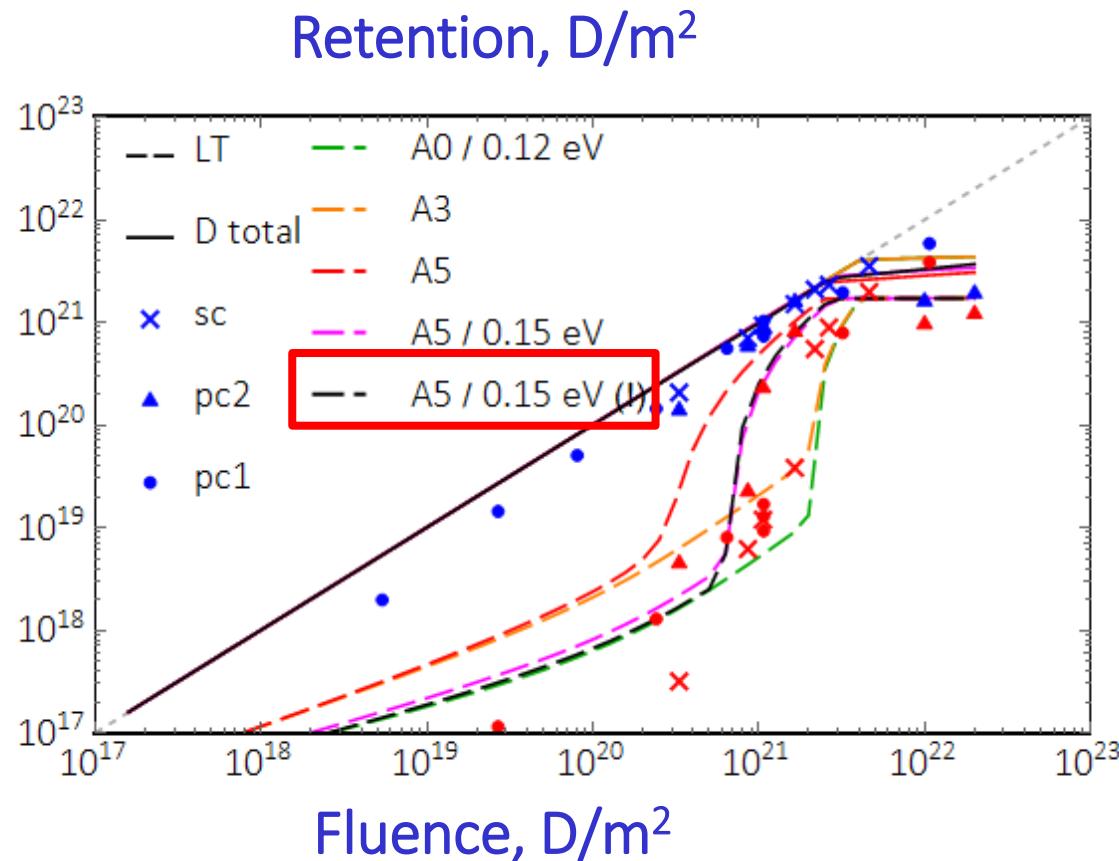
# Additional effects

1) Consider increase of D penetration depth and V creation depth with D content in the surface (SDTrimSP)



2) Consider imposed maximal V fraction such that locally no V can be created (for 7%V → 35%D ≈ experiment)

# Comparison to experiment



the case with varying depth profiles for source terms

# Conclusions

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- The reaction-diffusion model implementation was used to model vacancy dynamics during D implantation accounting for multiple trapping, kinetic de-trapping and variable source profiles
- Qualitative description of reduction of the net vacancy production rate with implanted fluence
- V and trapped D concentrations exceed the values of several at.% for fluences above  $10^{21} \text{ m}^{-2}$ . At such concentrations bulk material properties of Be and hydrogen transport and retention parameters (from DFT) probably no longer hold. Formation of vacancy clusters can be expected. This fluence range nicely corresponds to emergence of low temperature release in experiment.
- Low temperature release stage with multiple sharp peaks can potentially be attributed to release from gas-filled cavities of different sizes with faceted surfaces

Thank you for your attention