## I-mode regime has been accessed and studied over an expanded operating space on Alcator C-Mod



- I-mode regime has many attractive features for fusion:
  - T<sub>e</sub>, T<sub>i</sub> pedestals give high energy confinement, little power degradation.
  - L-mode particle confinement gives low, steady impurity radiation, even with high Z PFCs.
  - Stationary and ELM-free.
- Regime now extended to full range of field and current, up to 8 T, 1.7 MA.
  - Confirms weak L-I threshold dependence on B, and wide power range at high B.
- I-mode has been maintained in near DN.
  - dR<sub>sep</sub> -1 mm, shares power flux.
- Many new core, pedestal physics results.
- I-mode is promising for ITER and high field DEMO. Further research is needed on other tokamaks to confirm extrapolations.



