## Excellent Confinement Maintained at Reduced Torque in DIII-D High $\beta_P$ Scenario Due to Shafranov Shift Stabilization

- Large radius ITB and excellent confinement are maintained at reduced rotation or reduced q<sub>95</sub>
- Large Shafranov shift  $(\propto \beta_P)$ provides turbulence suppression
- Projects to ITER Q=5 at q<sub>95</sub>~6 if high confinement achieved
  - Feasible with stronger negative central shear to compensate for lower Shafranov shift



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