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Introduction - JET ITER-Like Wall Experiment





The objective of JET ITER-Like Wall experiment is to understand the influences of the ITER like Plasma Facing materials on

- ✓ Plasma confinement
- ✓ Impurity behavior
- ✓ Plasma Wall interaction
 - ✓ Fuel retention
 - ✓ Materials migration (Erosion/Deposition)
 - ✓ Dust

for the prediction of plasma performance and PWI in ITER

This study was focused on the tiles used for 1st campaign 2011-2012.

Puffed amount of D : ~1.6×10²⁶ atoms Total input energy : 150.6 GJ Predominant strike point :Tile 3 (Inner) & 5 (Outer)







Discuss the correlation of surface chemical states with hydrogen isotope retention in ILW-1 divertor tiles

XPS (X-ray photoelectron Spectroscopy)

- Atomic concentration
- Chemical states for constituent elements

TDS (Thermal Desorption Spectroscopy)

- H & D desorption temperature
- H & D retentions



Experimental







 $\begin{array}{l} \text{RT-1000 °C} \\ 0.5 °C \text{ s}^{\text{-1}} \\ \text{QMS : MKS} \\ \text{Microvision} \\ \text{Calibration :} \\ \text{D}_2 \text{ standard leak} \end{array}$



Sample positions





Tile	Sample	Position (s-coordinate, mm)	XPS	TDS
1	1/10	Apron part (217.5)	~	1
	1/8	Upper part (261.8)	\checkmark	
	1/5	Intermediate part (331)		
	1/2	Lower part (392)		
3	3/6	Inner strike point (484.7)		
	3/4	Inner strike point (526.5)		
	3/2	Inner strike point (565)		
4	4/10	Shadowed part (734.5)		\checkmark
	4/7	Slope part (796.7)		
	4/6	Slope part (818)	\checkmark	\checkmark
	4/1	Shadow of Tile 5 (917)		
6	6/2	Shadow of Tile 5 (1351.2)		
	6/6	Slope part (1437)		
	6/9	Shadowed part (1492)		
7	7/1	Outer Strike point (1642)		A
	7/5	(1734)		
	7/8	(1796)		
8	8/1	Lower part (1828.6)		
	8/5	Intermediate part (1912)		
	8/8	Upper part (1967)		
	8/10	Apron part (2023)	~	~



Overview of tile surface morphologies





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XPS analysis for Tile 1, inboard upper part (1/8)



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XPS spectra for Tile 3, inner strike point (3/6)



XPS spectra for Tile 6, slope part (6/6)





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Comparison of TDS with standard samples



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Summary of H and D total retentions



✓ Higher D and H retentions were found for inner upper divertor region (Tile 1).

- \checkmark As moving to outer divertor region, their retention was clearly reduced.
- ✓ For the strike point region (Tile 3), slightly higher retention was found compared with the erosion-dominated area like outer divertor. It can be said that the deposition and formation of mixed material layer would work as hydrogen isotope trapping sites in the divertor of JET ITER-like wall.



Conclusions



- Hydrogen isotope retention and chemical state of the divertor tiles for JET ITER-Like Wall were evaluated by TDS and XPS at QST IFERC Rokkasho site under the framework of BA activities.
- The deposition layer was found in the inner upper divertor area (Tile 1).
- At the inner strike point region (Tile 3), the existence of W and Mo was found, indicating for erosion-dominated region, but the impurity deposition was also found. Higher heat load would induce the formation of metal carbide.
- In the case of outer horizontal tile (Tile 6), mixed material layer was formed and iron impurity was seen clearly being deposited.
- TDS showed the H and D desorption behavior and major D desorption temperature for Tile 1 was located at 370 °C and 530 °C. At the strike point region, the D desorption temperature was clearly shifted toward higher temperature side, indicating of emptying the low-energy traps by higher heat load.
- The deposition and formation of mixed material layer would work as hydrogen isotope trapping sites in the divertor of JET ITER-Like Wall.

