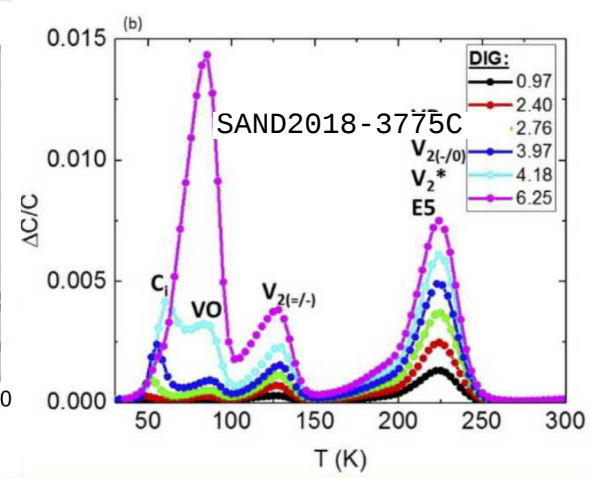
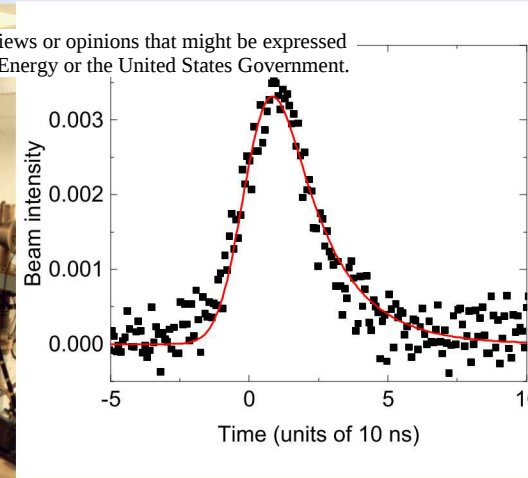
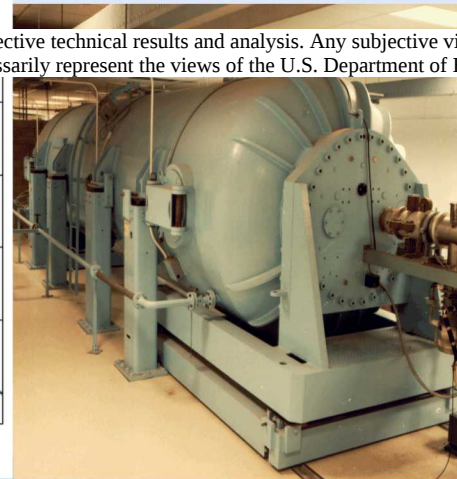
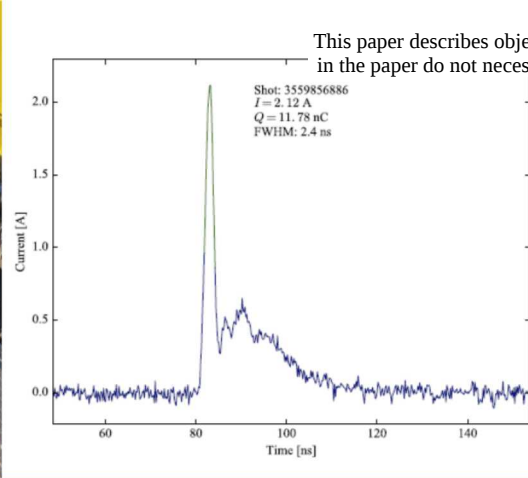
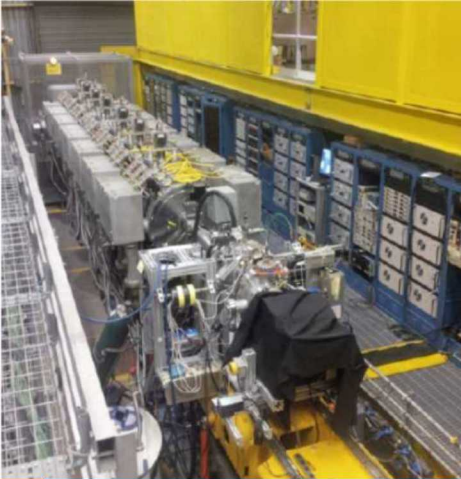




Comparison of High and Low Flux He Exposures on the Gain Degradation and Defect Spectra in Si pnp BJTs

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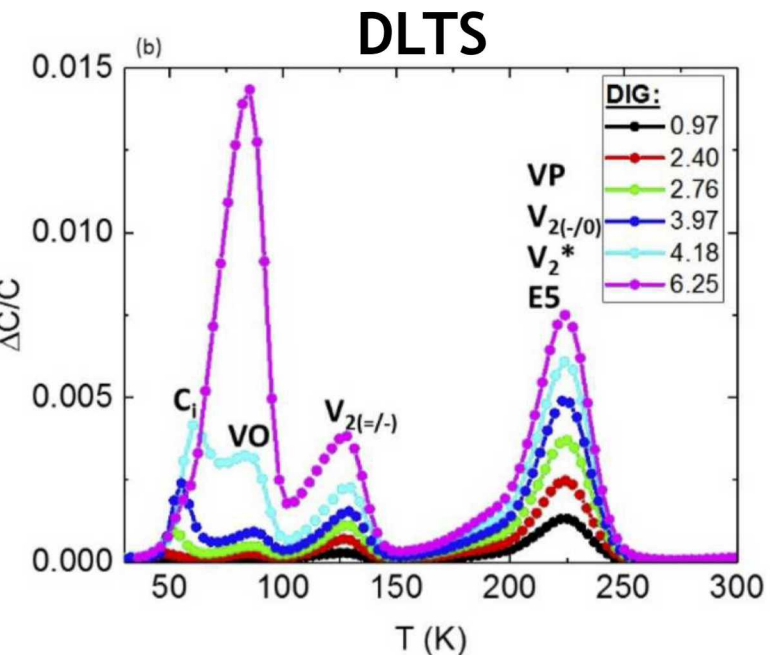
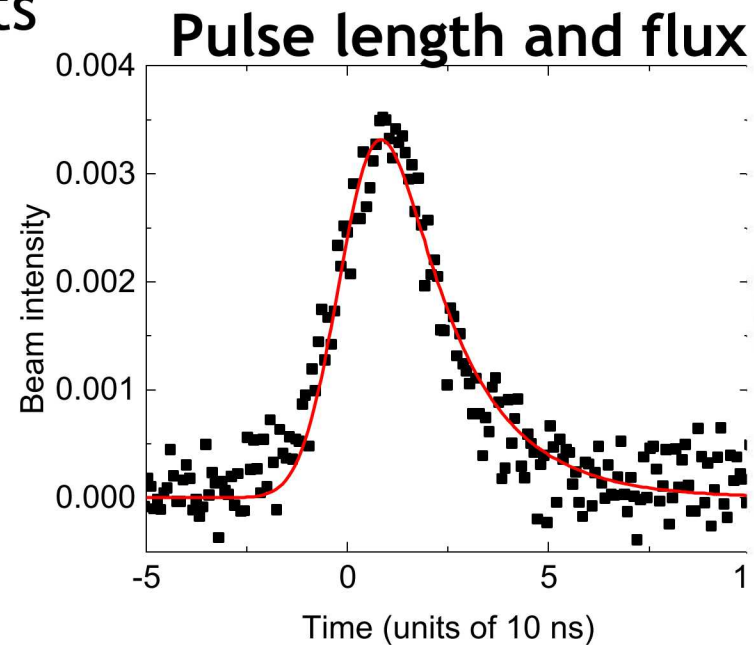
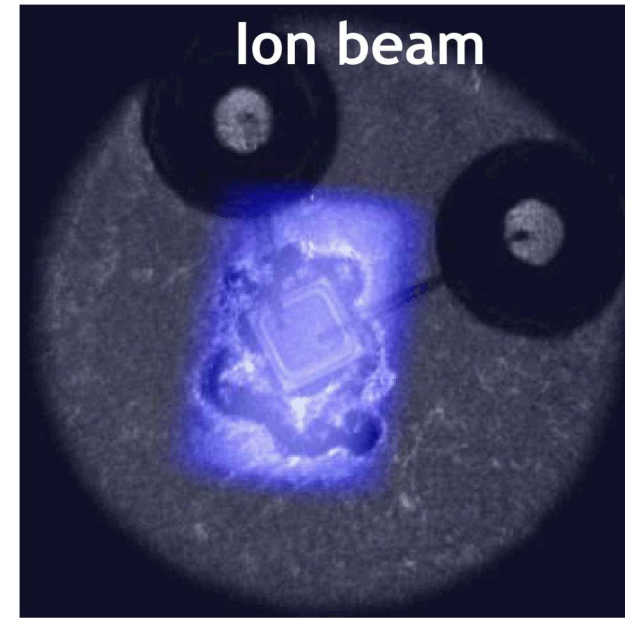


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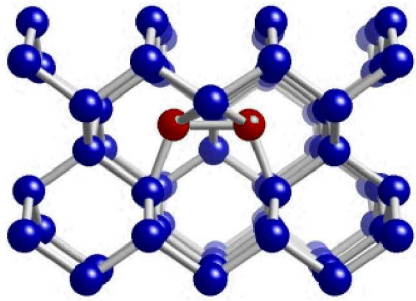
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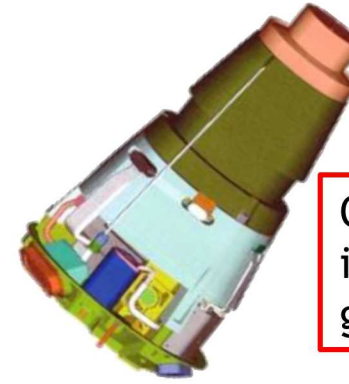
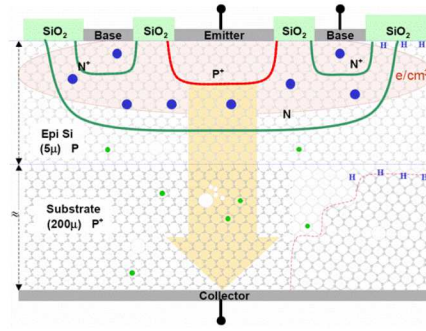
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- DLTS
- Summary



Introduction – Ion irradiations



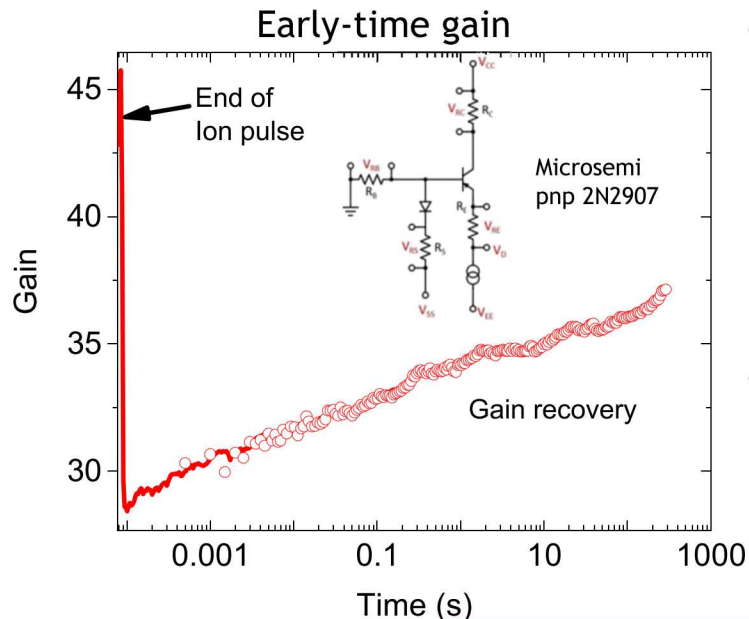
Fundamental Radiation Induced Defects



Degradation of Device/Circuit Performance

Of particular interest
is early-time (<1s)
gain degradation

Use ion irradiations to simulate fast neutron displacement damage



- Ion to neutron damage equivalency

Messenger-Spratt (MS) equation

$$DIG = \left(\Delta \frac{1}{G} \right) = \frac{1}{G_{300s}} - \frac{1}{G_0} = k\Phi$$

- Match late time gain degradation

$$k_{ion}\Phi_{ion} = k_n\Phi_n \Rightarrow \Phi_{ion} = \frac{k_n\Phi_n}{k_{ion}}$$

G_{300s} = Final gain

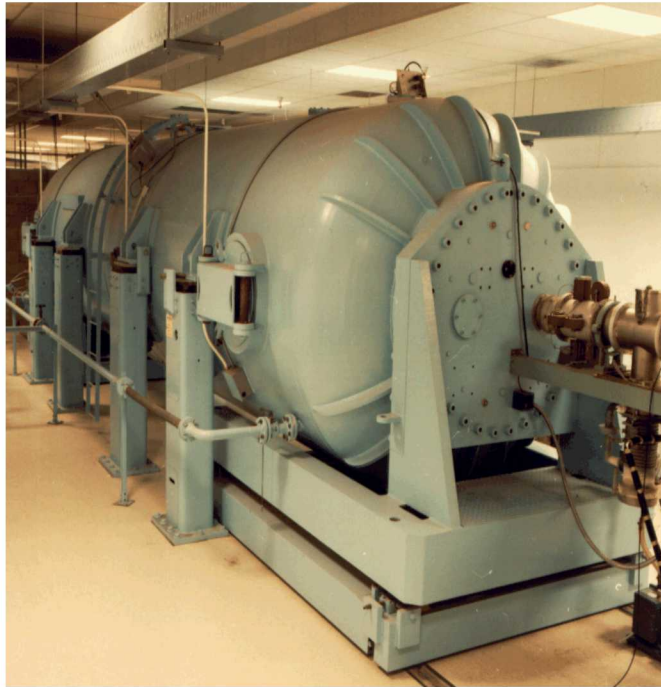
G_0 = Initial gain

k = Damage factor

Φ = Fluence

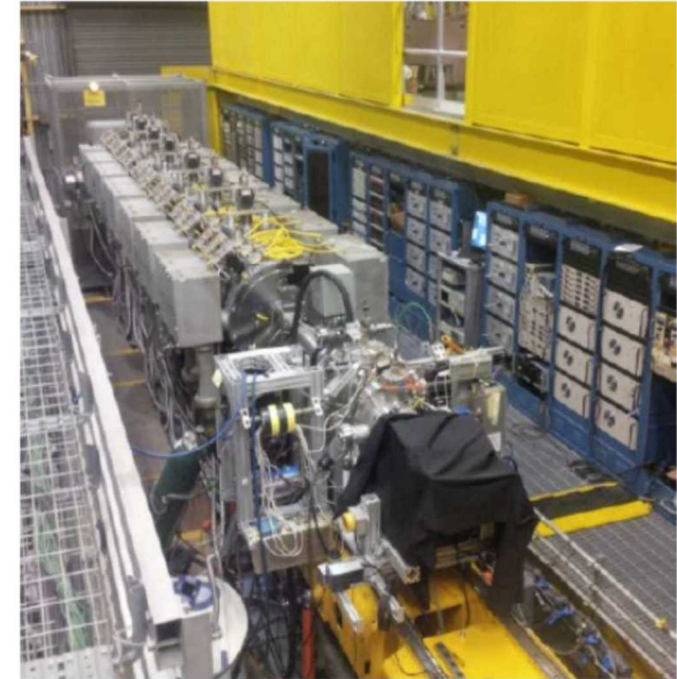
Ion to neutron damage equivalency using $\frac{k_n}{k_{ion}}$

Tandem accelerator - IBL/SNL



- Pulse length < 20 ns (short) - 100 μ s (long)
- Ion Flux $\sim 2 \times 10^{14}$ ions/cm²/s

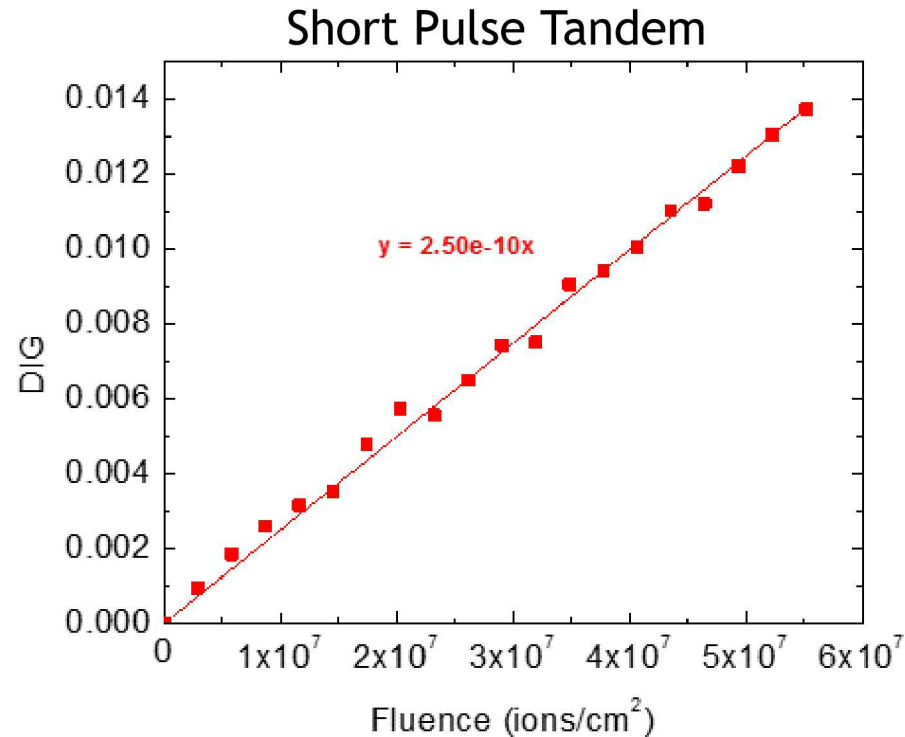
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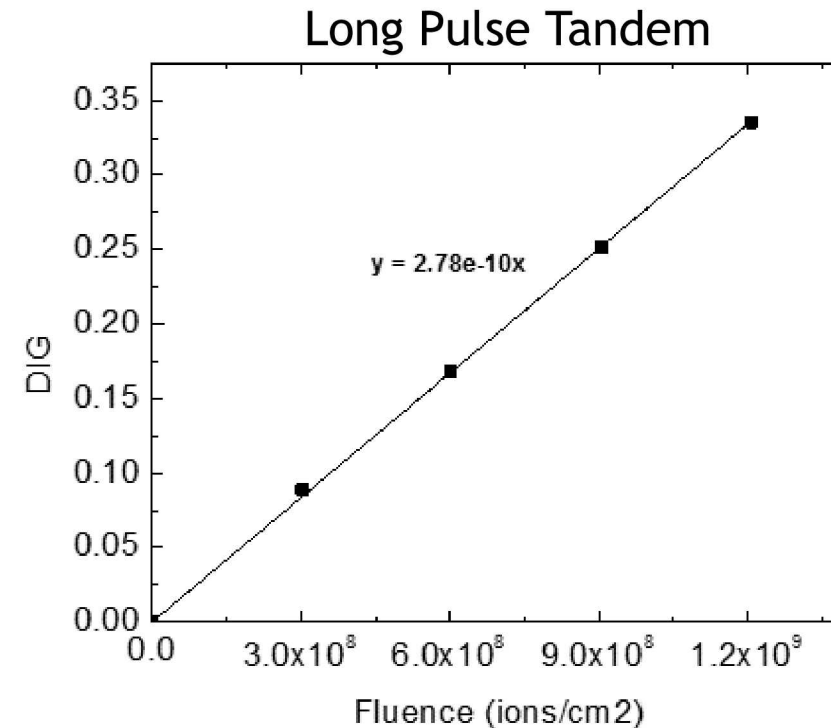
- Pulse length < 10 ns
- Ion Flux $\sim 1.5 \times 10^{19}$ ions/cm²/s

Effect of Ion Pulse Length

4.25 MeV Si (EOR) Irradiation on the Tandem using both short and long pulses



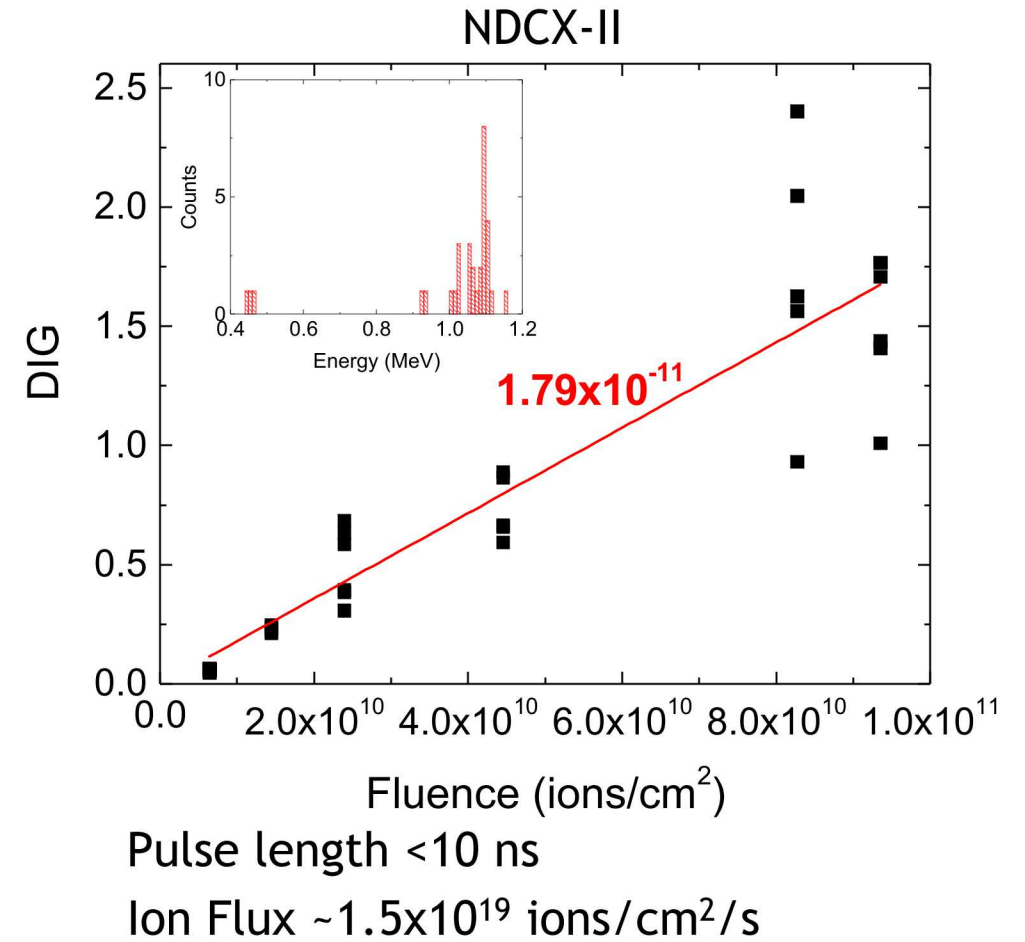
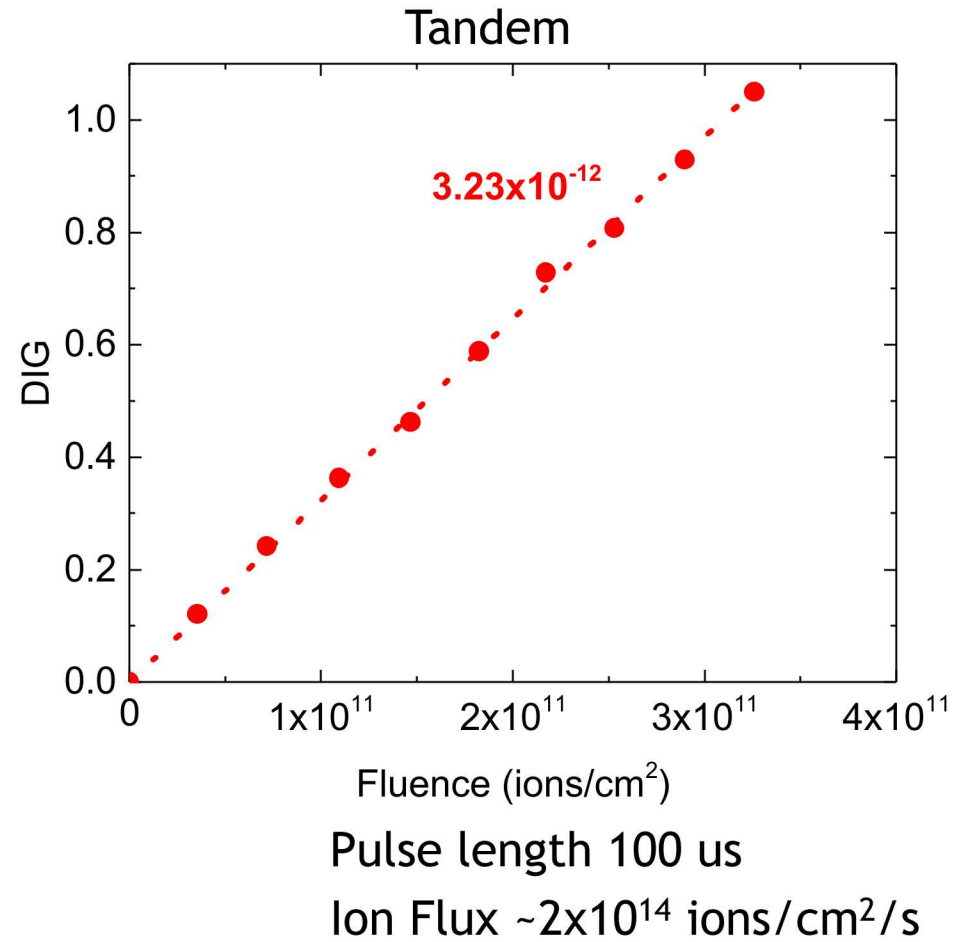
Pulse length <20 ns (short)
Ion Flux $\sim 2 \times 10^{14}$ ions/cm²/s



Pulse length 40 μ s (long)
Ion Flux $\sim 2 \times 10^{14}$ ions/cm²/s

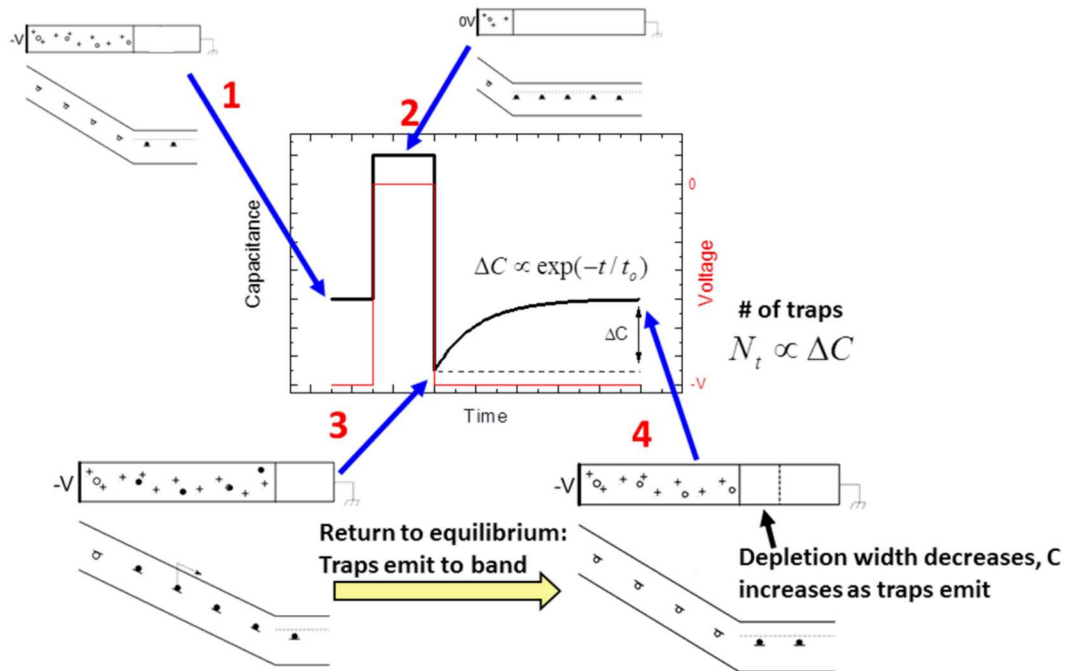
Messenger-Spratt damage factors are the **SAME**, no effect of pulse length

Effect of Ion Flux

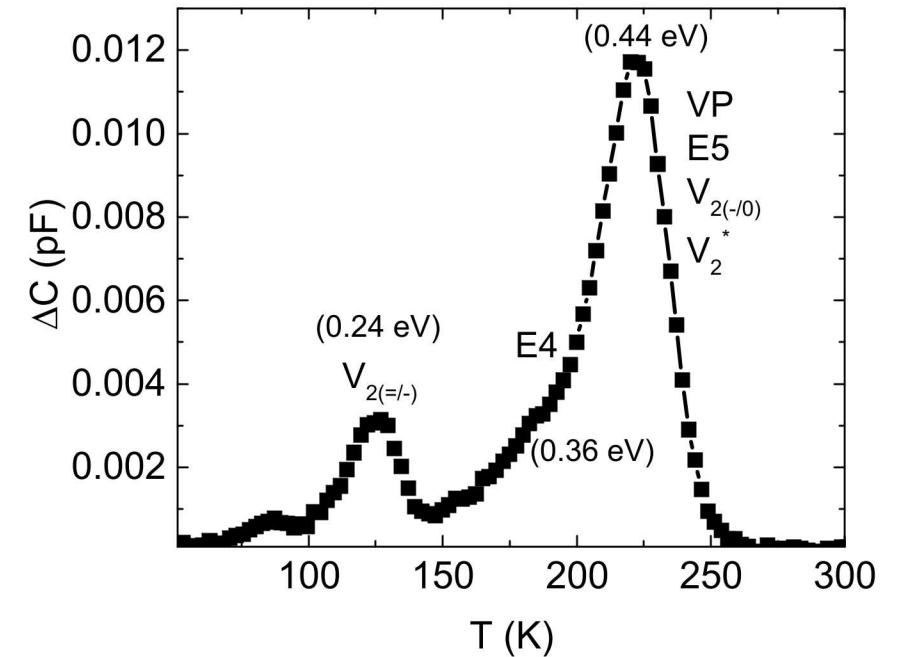


Messenger-Spratt damage factors are different*

7 Introduction – DLTS



$$\begin{aligned} \# \text{ of Traps} &\propto \Delta C \\ \text{Transition energy} &\propto T \end{aligned}$$

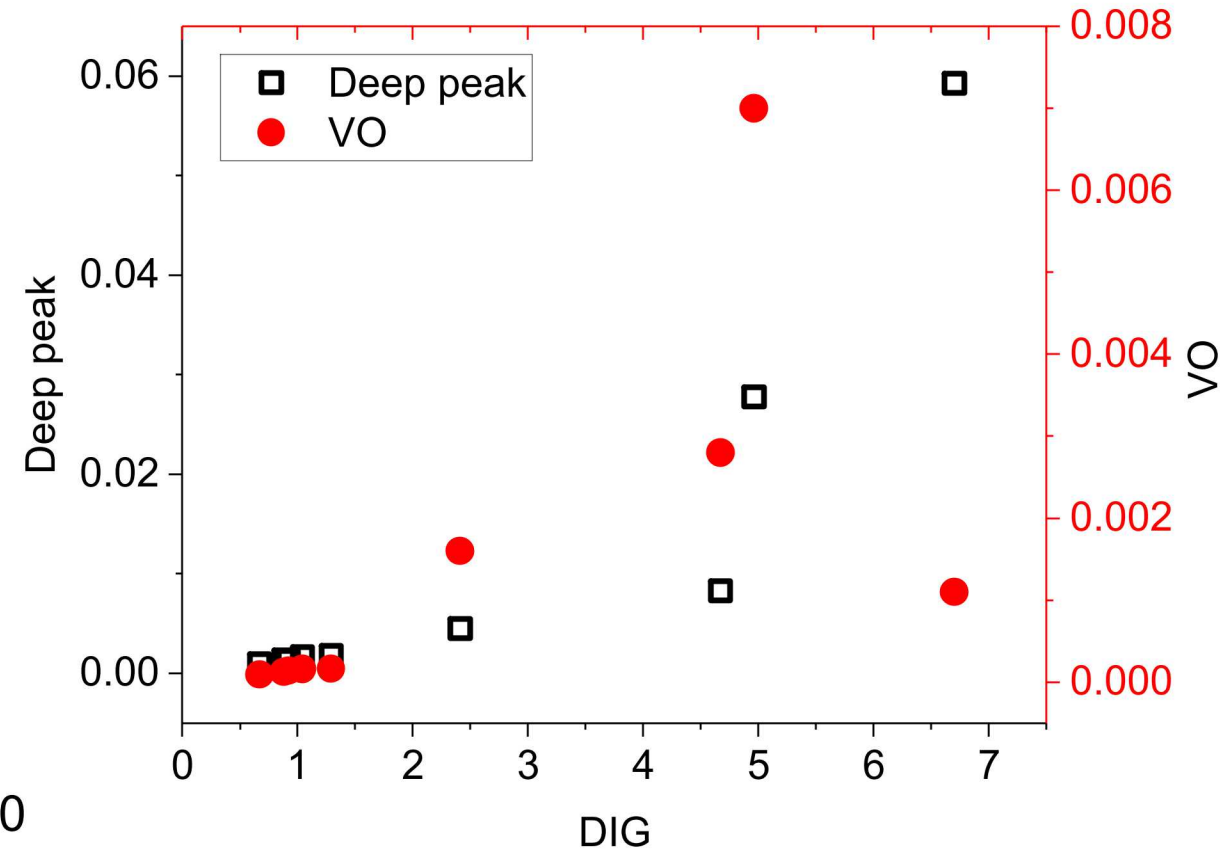
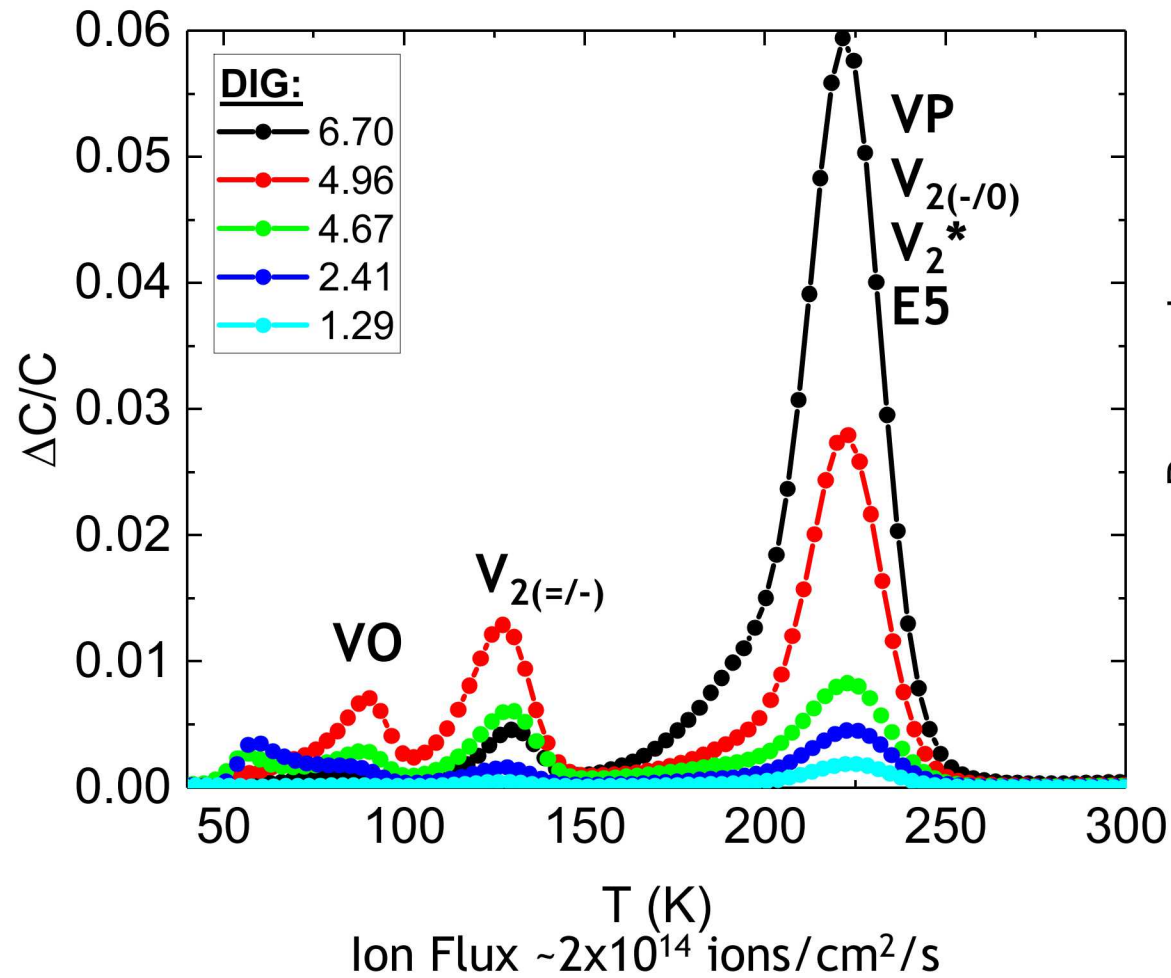


Deep Peak
(Mid-gap Traps)

- VP = Vacancy-Phosphorous defect
- E5 = E4 → Same divacancy-like defect with different charge state
- $V_{2(-/0)} = V_{2(=/-)}$ → Same divacancy defect with different charge state
- V_2^* = Strain divacancy defect

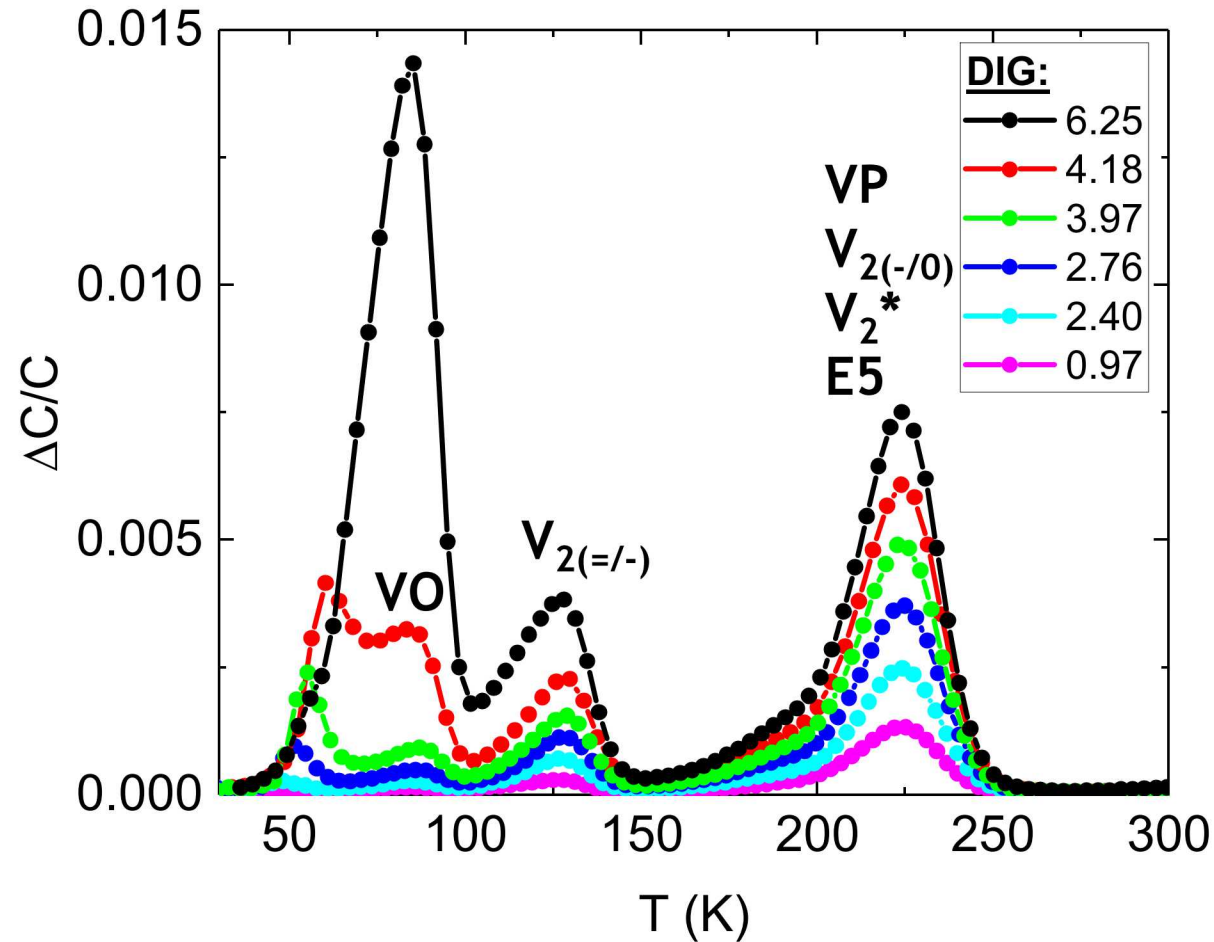
Type and number of electrically active traps from DLTS

DLTS on low flux irradiations (Tandem)

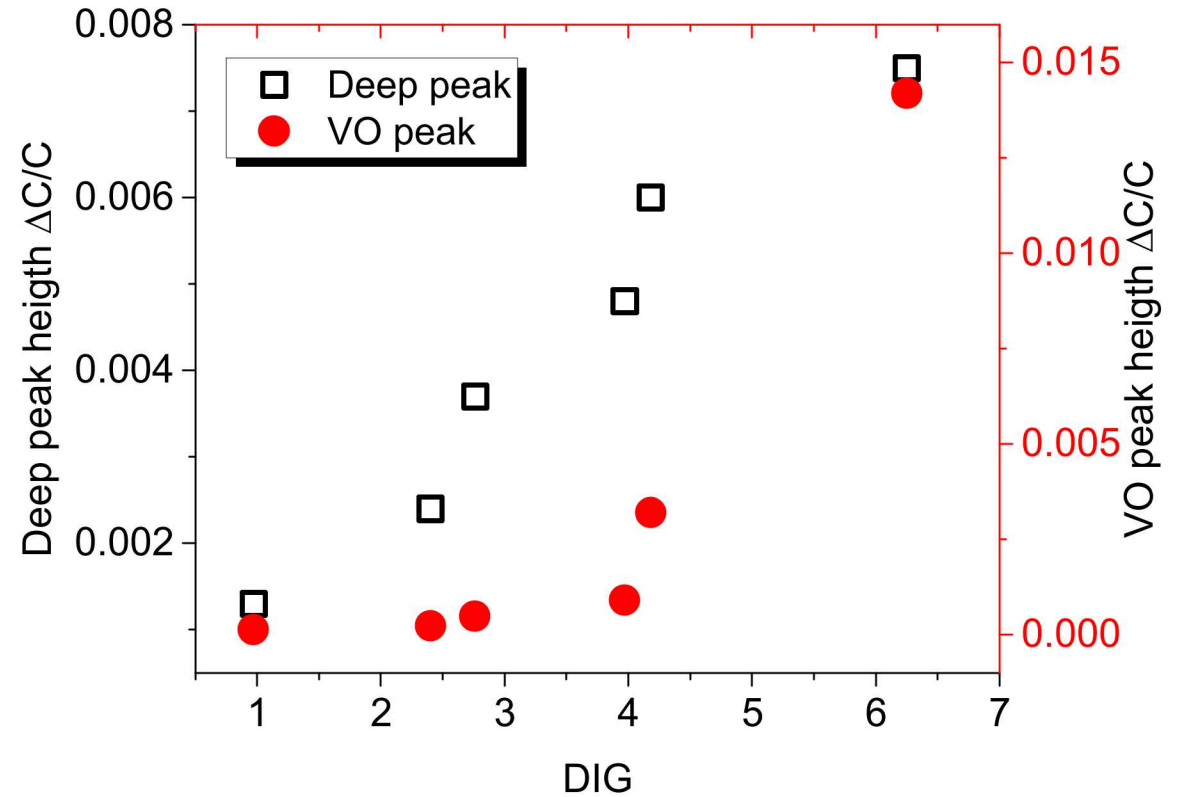


- Non-linear increase of VO and deep DLTS peaks

DLTS on high flux irradiations (NDCX-II)

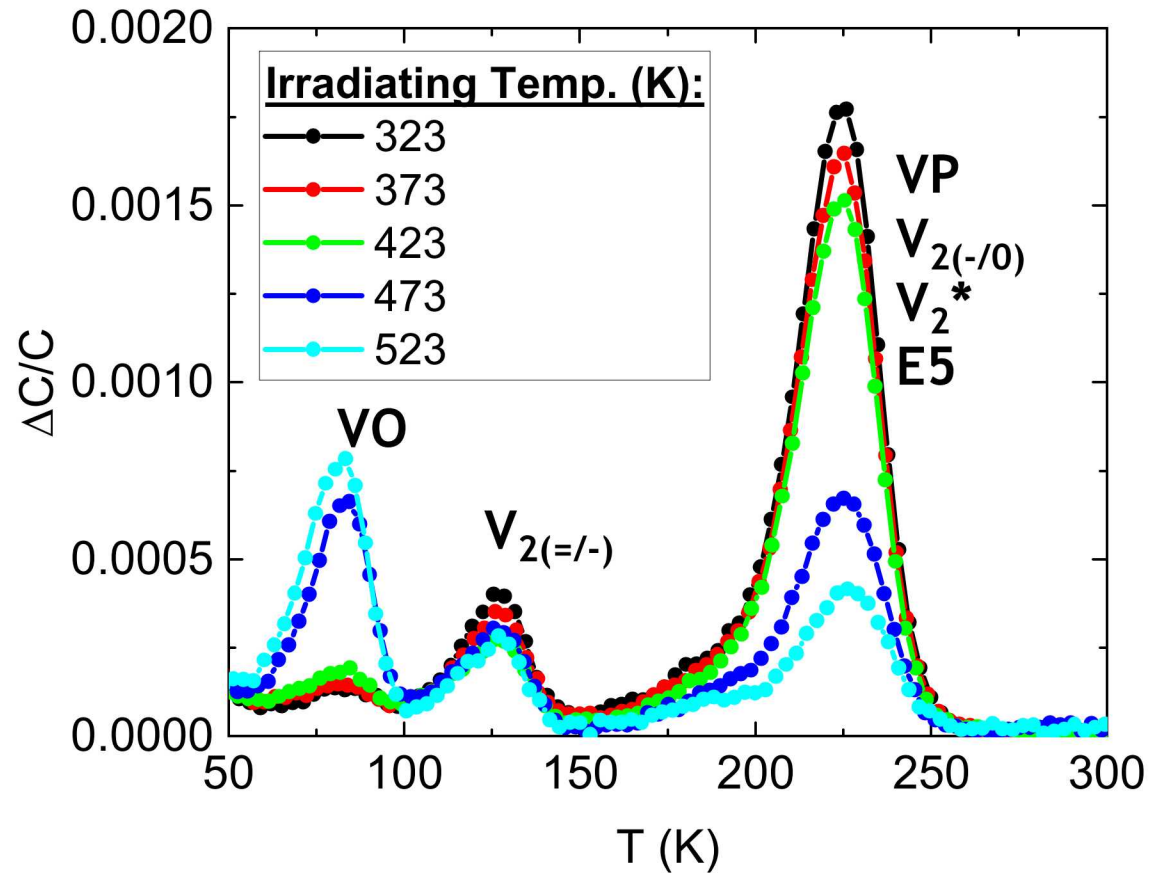


Ion Flux $\sim 1.5 \times 10^{19}$ ions/cm²/s



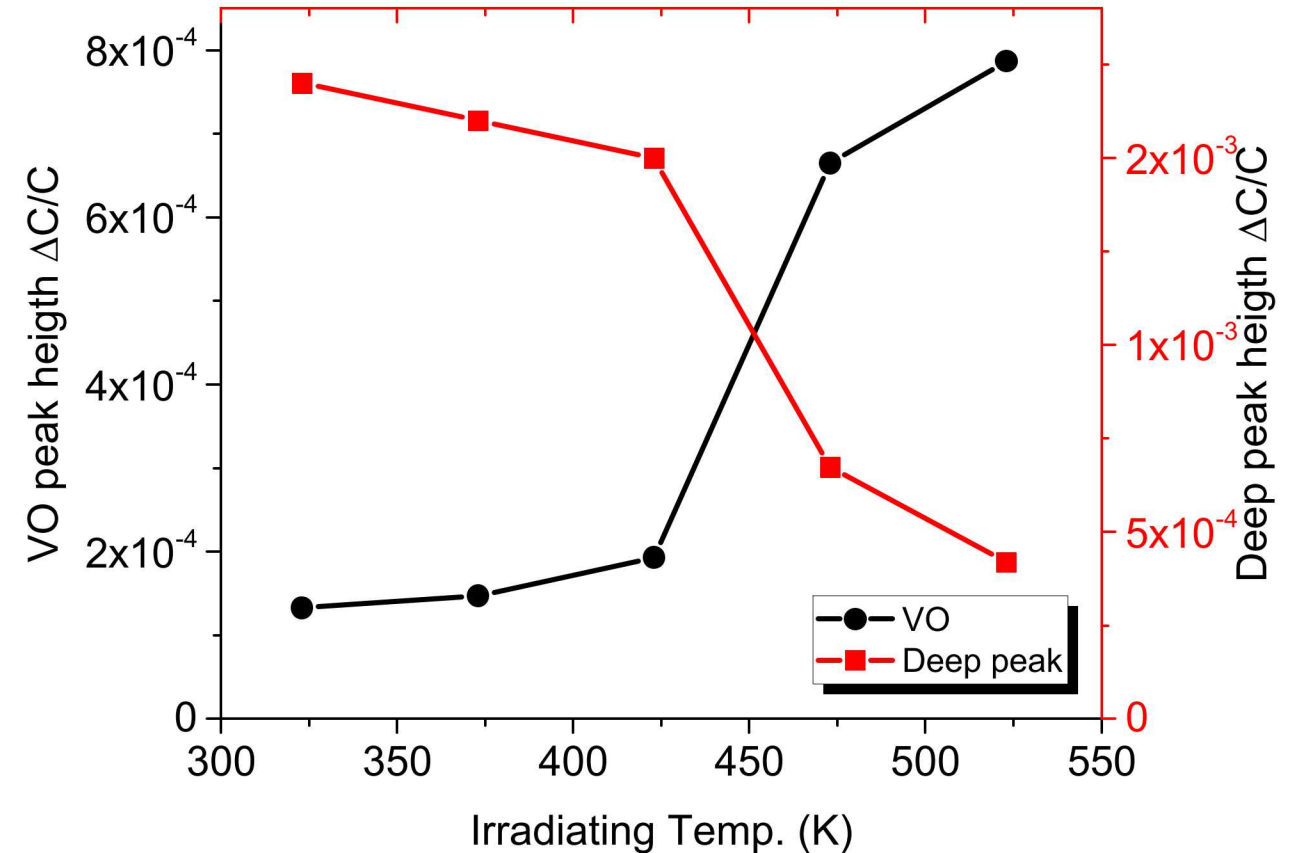
- Linear increase of deep peak
- Non-linear increase of VO peak
- DIG
- Localized annealing

Effect of In-situ Annealing on DLTS



Effect of annealing temperature

- Less number of defects

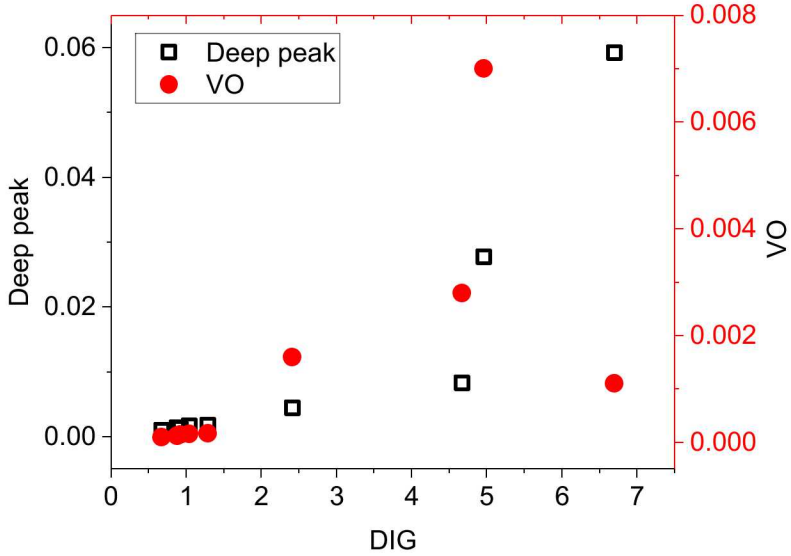


Annealing temperature:

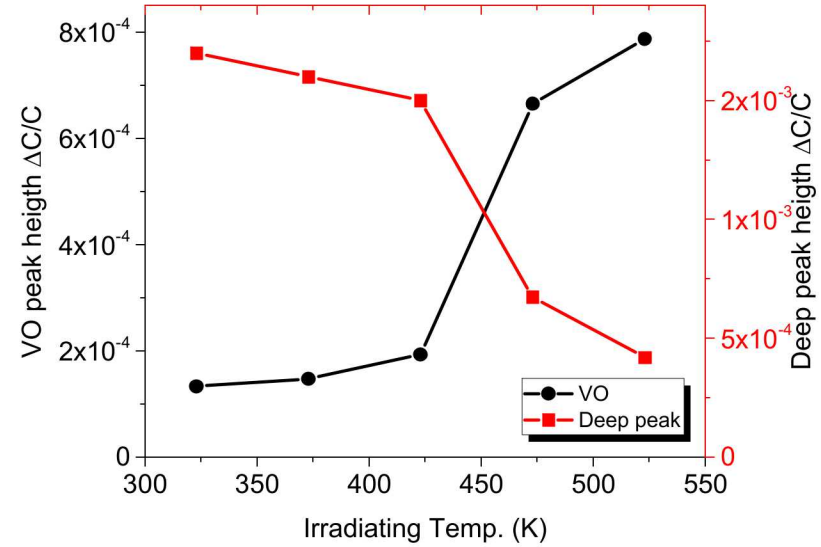
- Decreases the deep peak
- Increases VO peak

Combined mechanisms – DIG and localized annealing

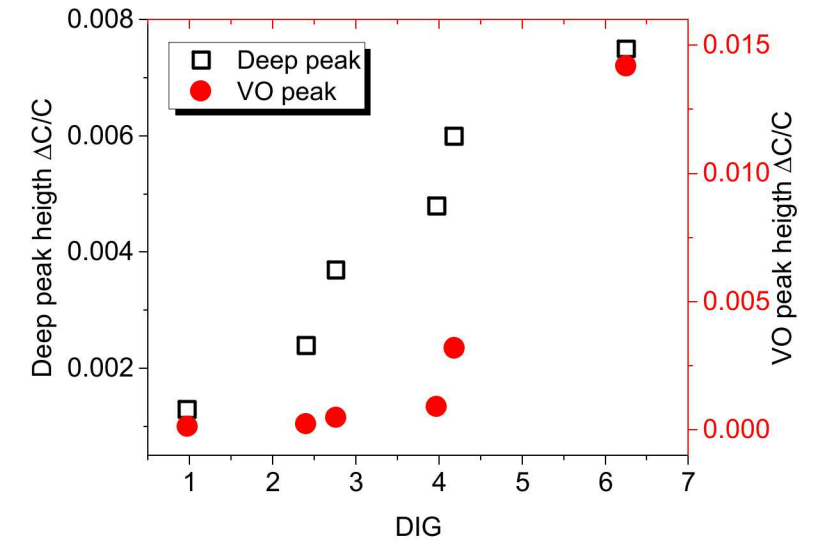
DIG - low flux



Localized annealing - low flux



High flux



Low flux irradiations

- Non-linear growth of deep peak and VO peak with increasing DIG
- Sample annealing during irradiation decreases deep peak growth and increases VO peak

High flux irradiations:

- DIG and localized annealing determine the VO and Deep peak DLTS growth
- k-factor is 5x larger than k-factor in low flux irradiations