

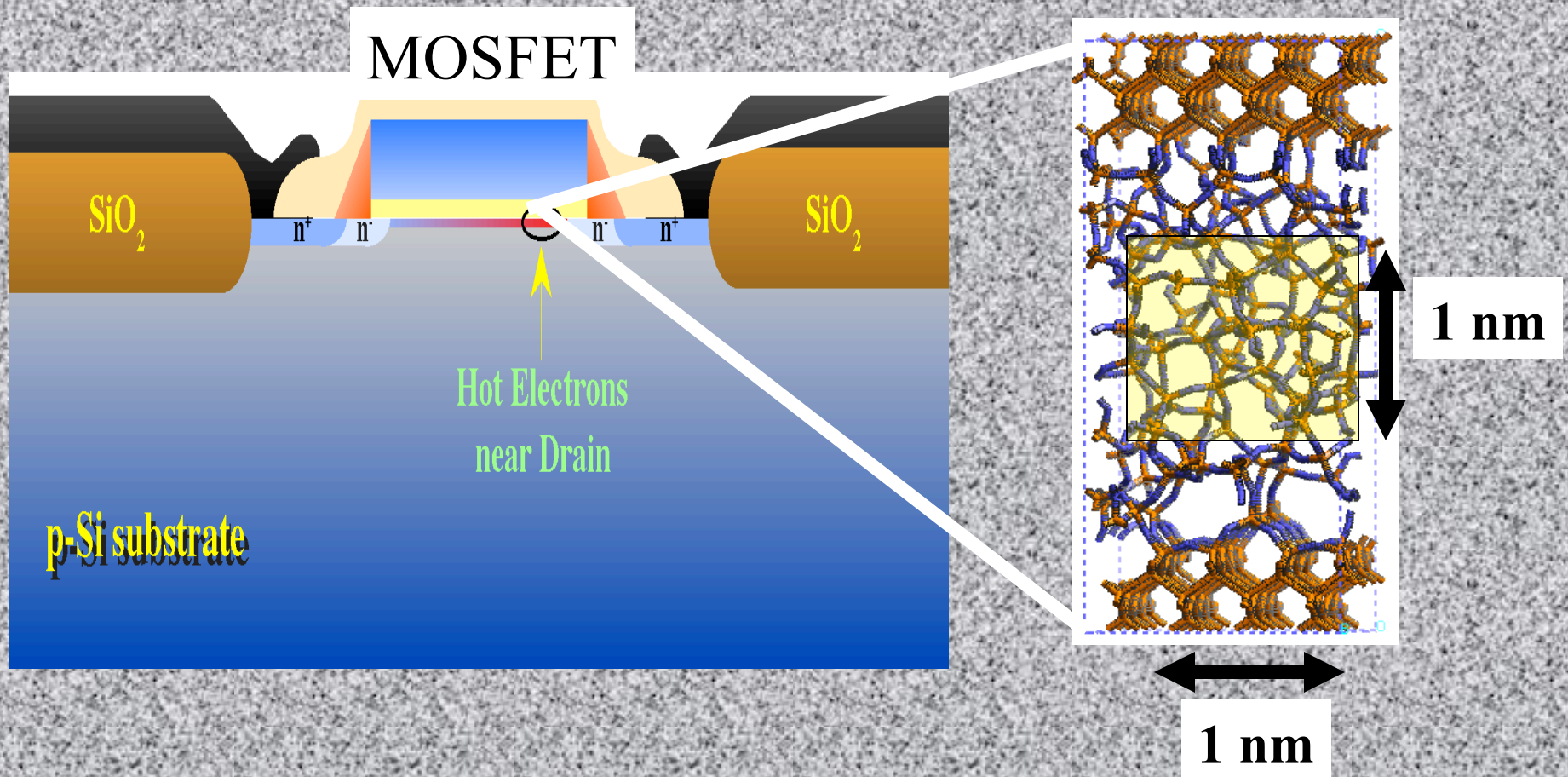
# H<sub>2</sub> in Oxides: Implications for Radiation Response

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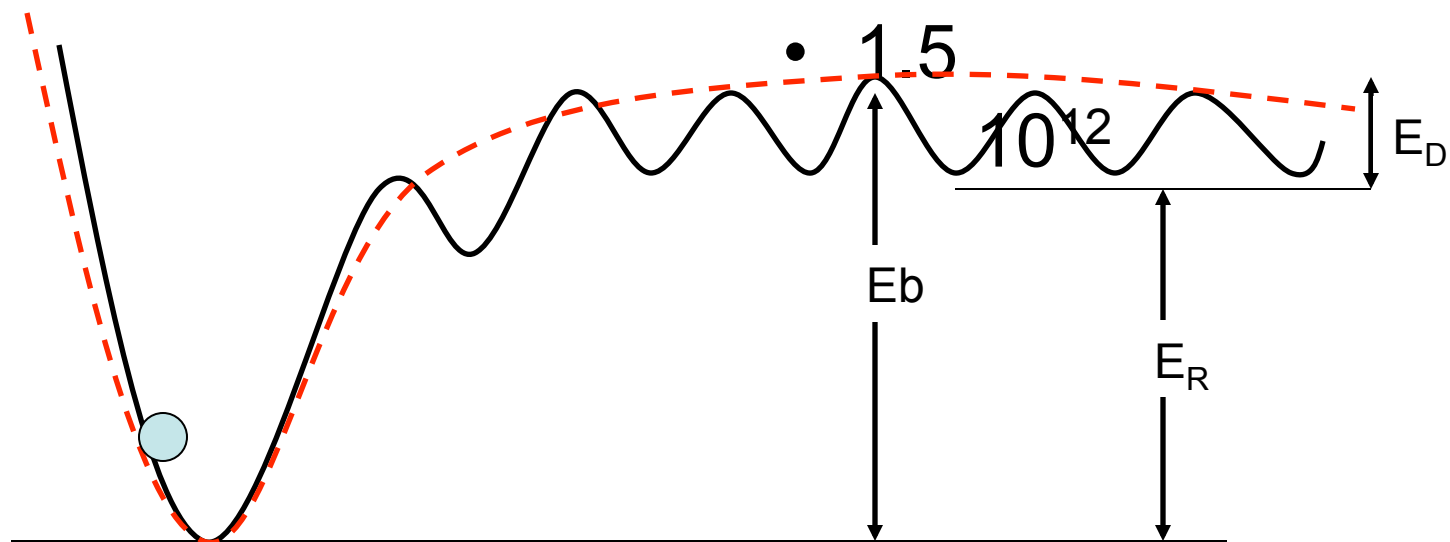
# Microscopic modeling of oxides



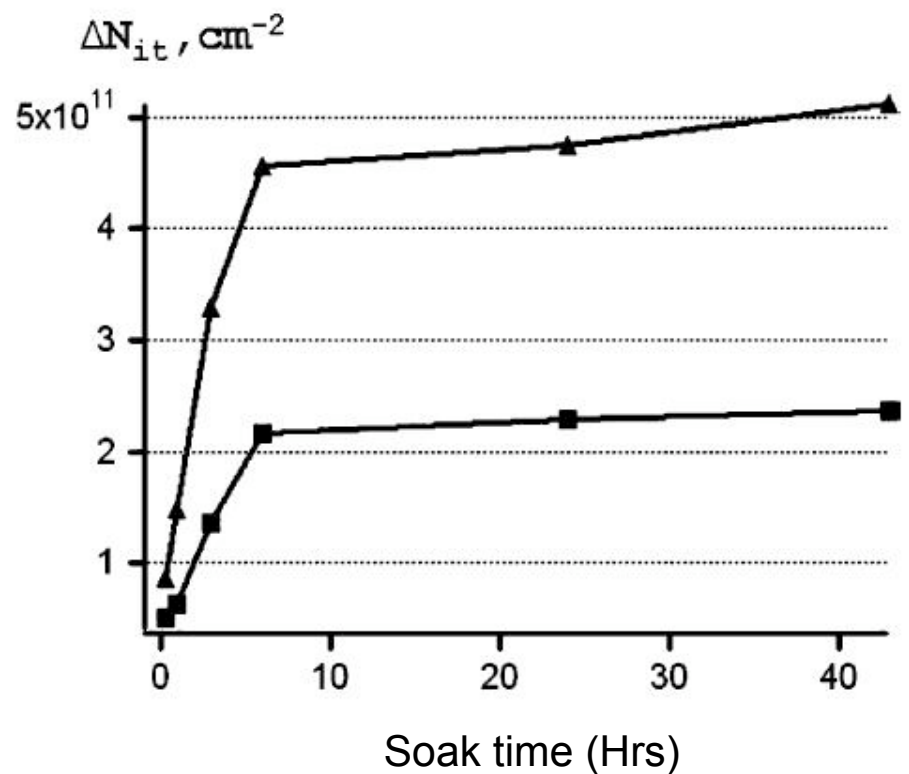
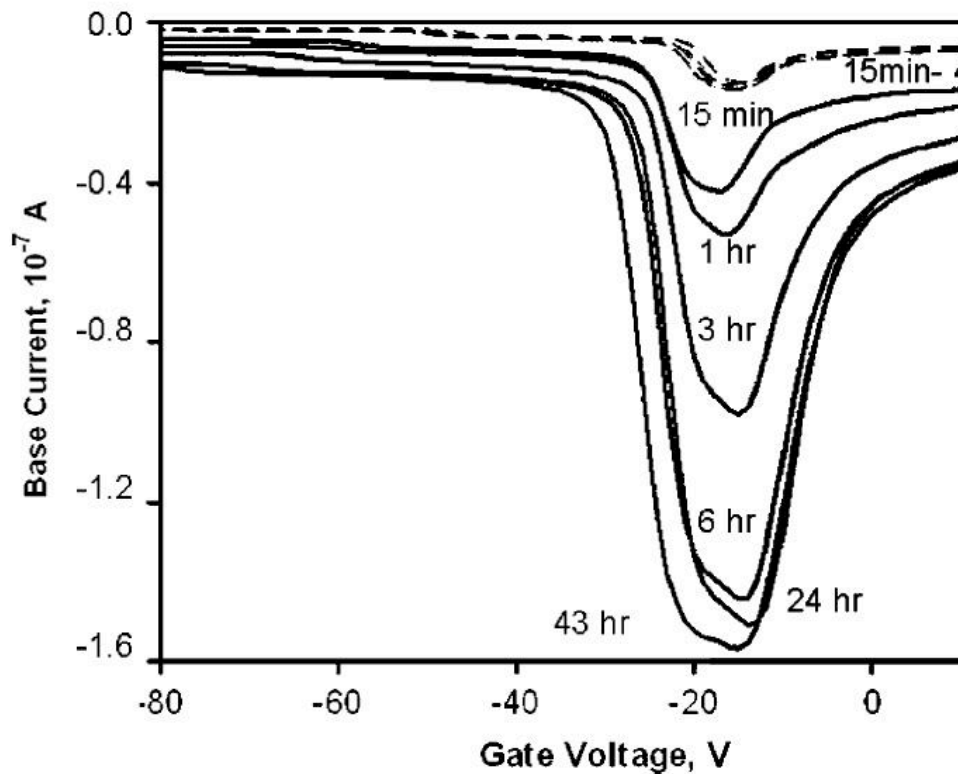
# Reaction Time

- time  $\sim [1 / f] e^{E_b/kT}$
- $f \sim 10^{14}$  Hz
- $kT_{300K} \sim 0.025$  eV

- $E_b(\text{eV})$                       time(s)
- 0.5                                       $10^{-6}$
- 1     $10^3$



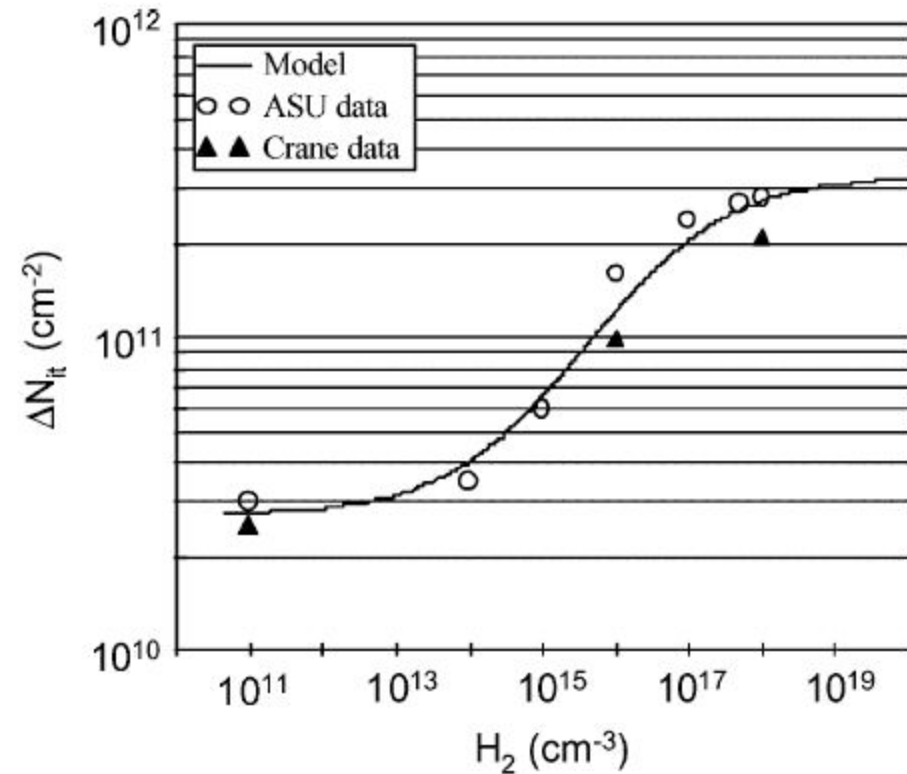
# H<sub>2</sub> Soaking Experiments



$\Delta N_{it}$  after minutes of irradiation

# Reaction Models

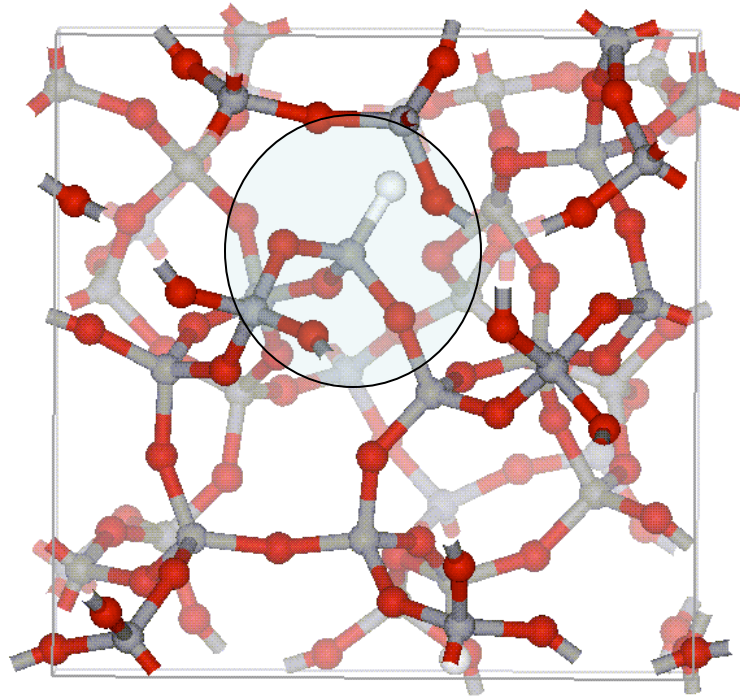
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  - $\text{H}_2 + 2 \text{D} \leftrightarrow 2 \text{DH}$
- $\text{DH} + \text{hole} \rightarrow \text{D} + \text{H}^+$



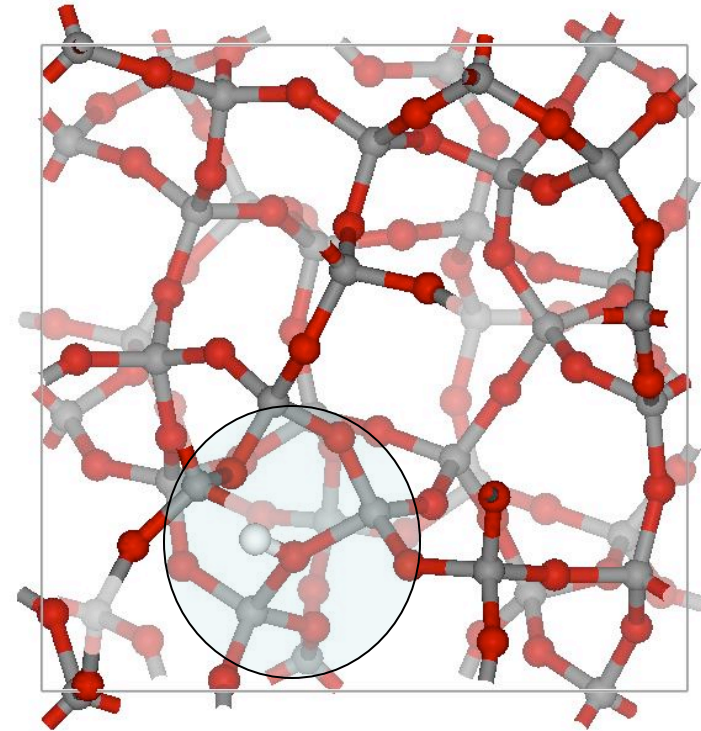
$$\Delta N_{it} = N_{\text{DH}} + K_1 (N_{\text{H}_2})^{1/2} / ( 1 + K_2 (N_{\text{H}_2})^{1/2} )$$

# What is D ?

- D = isolated defect center
- D ~ E' ?
- 2000 – Afanasev and Stesmans
  - E' = neutral isolated silicon dangling bond



DH model

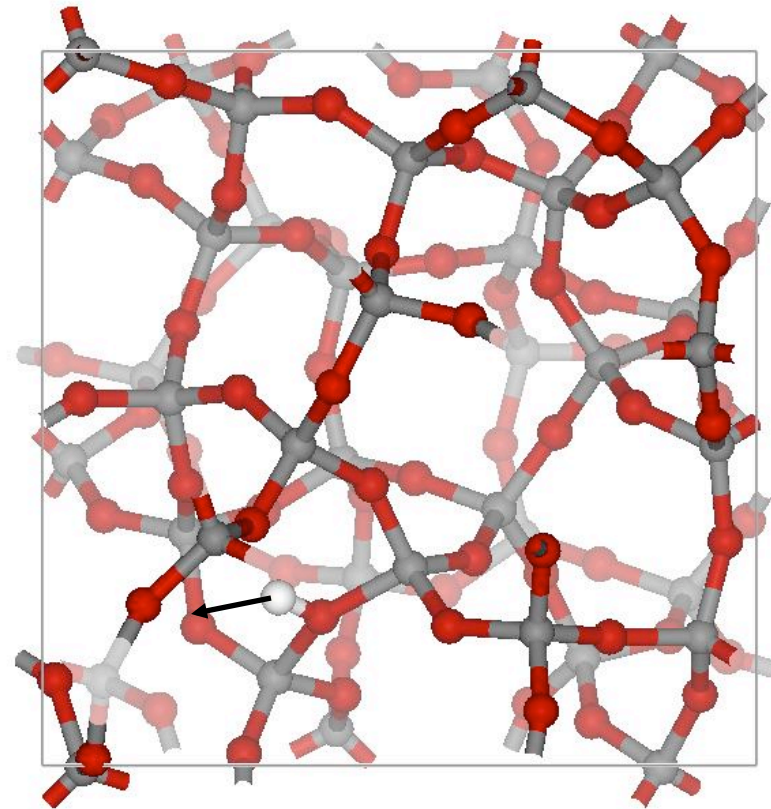


Interstitial  $\text{H}^+$

	Reaction Energy (eV)
Present Work	0.45 +/- 0.15

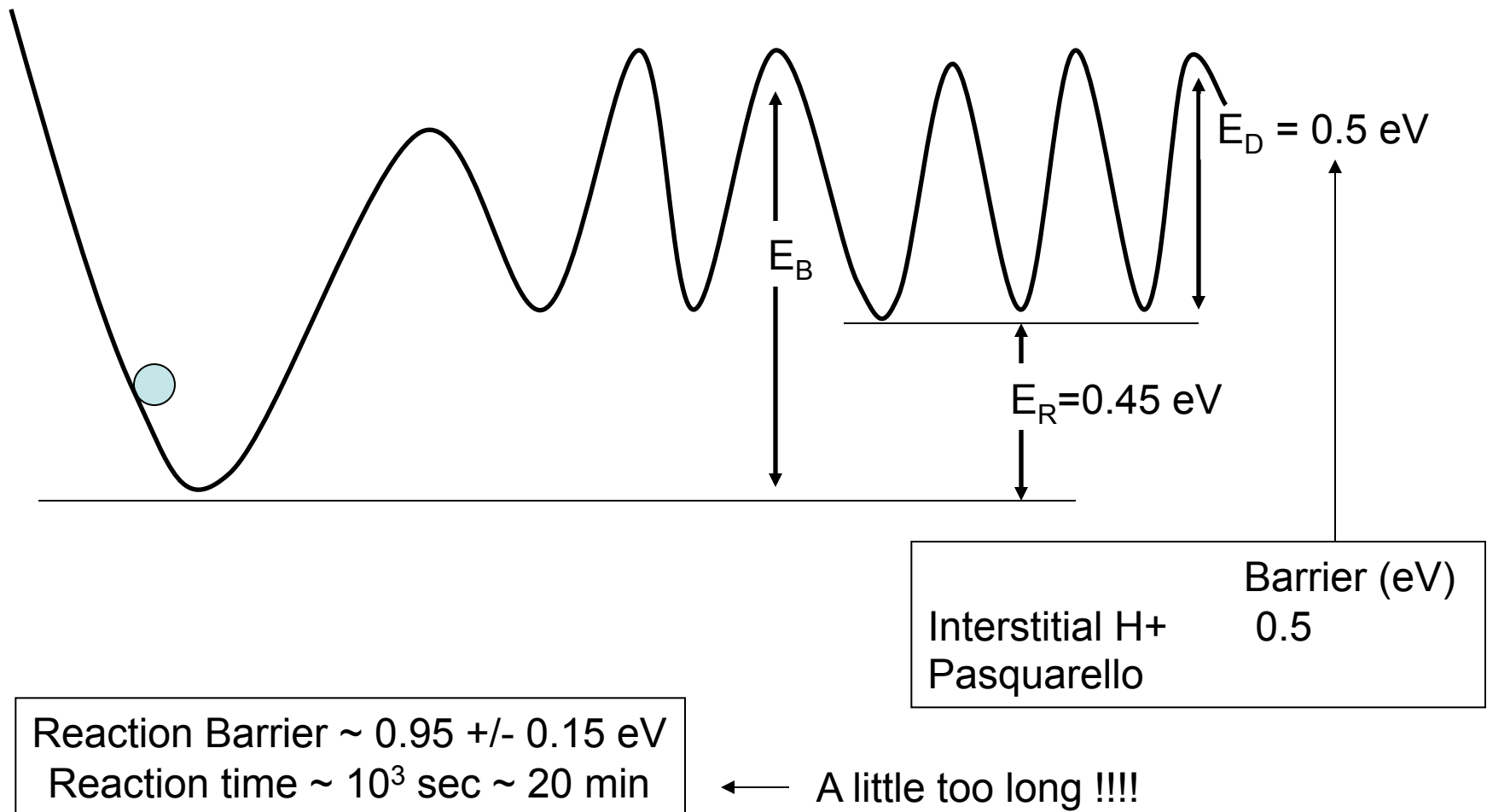
# Interstitial Diffusion

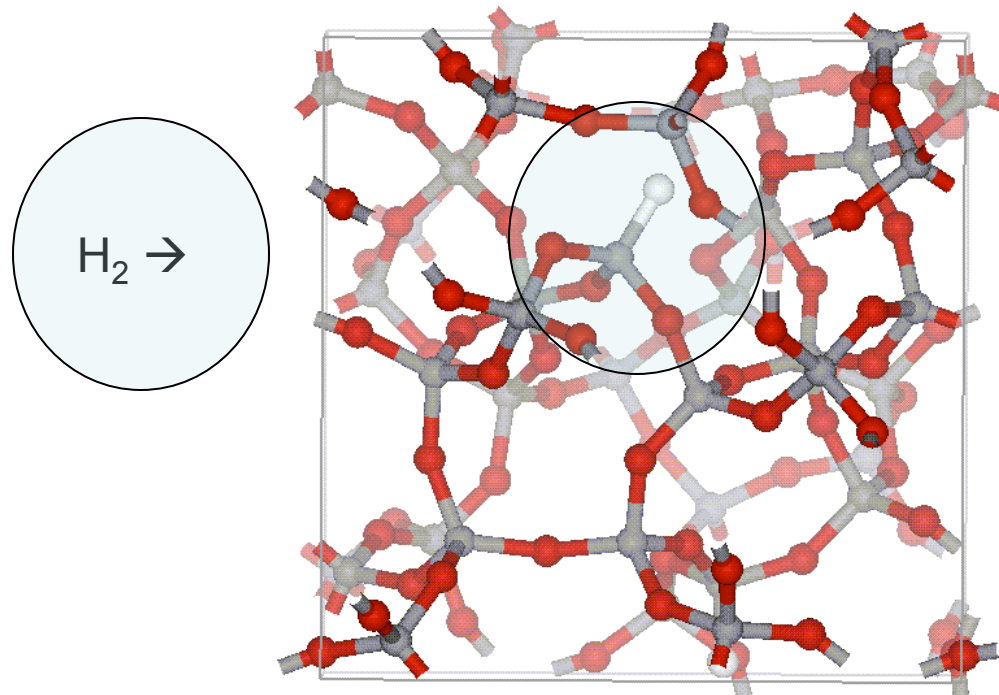
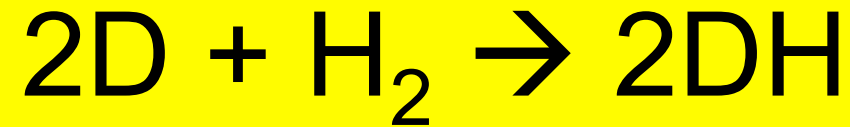
- $H^+$  in oxides
- Barrier:  $E_b \sim 0.5$  eV
  - Theory: Pasquarello et al PRL 2006
  - Experiment: Devine and Herrera 2001





# H<sup>+</sup> Release Reaction





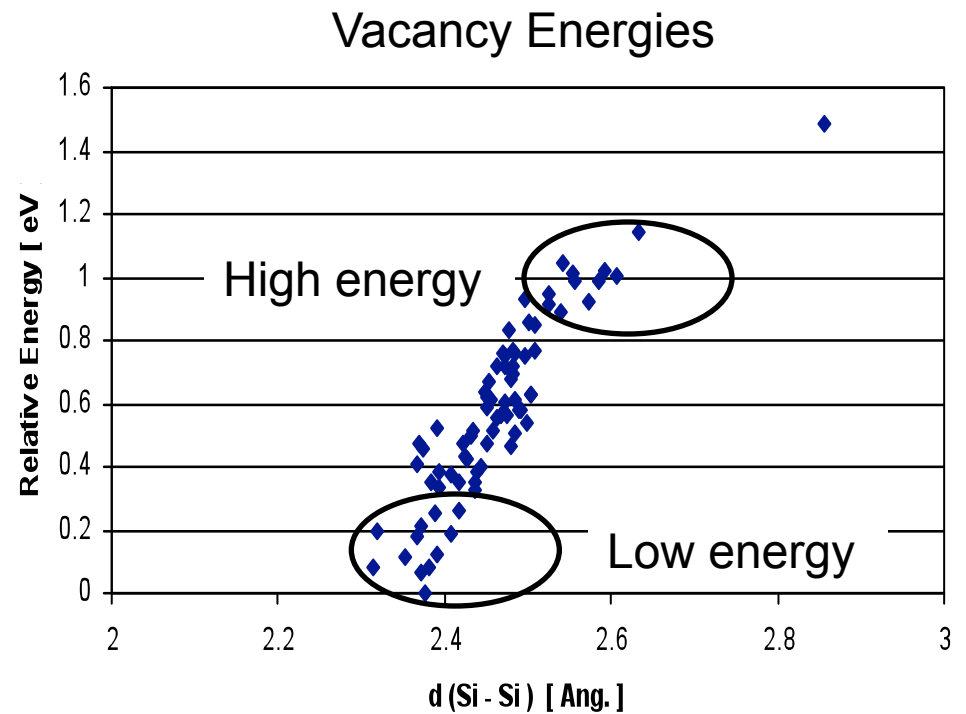
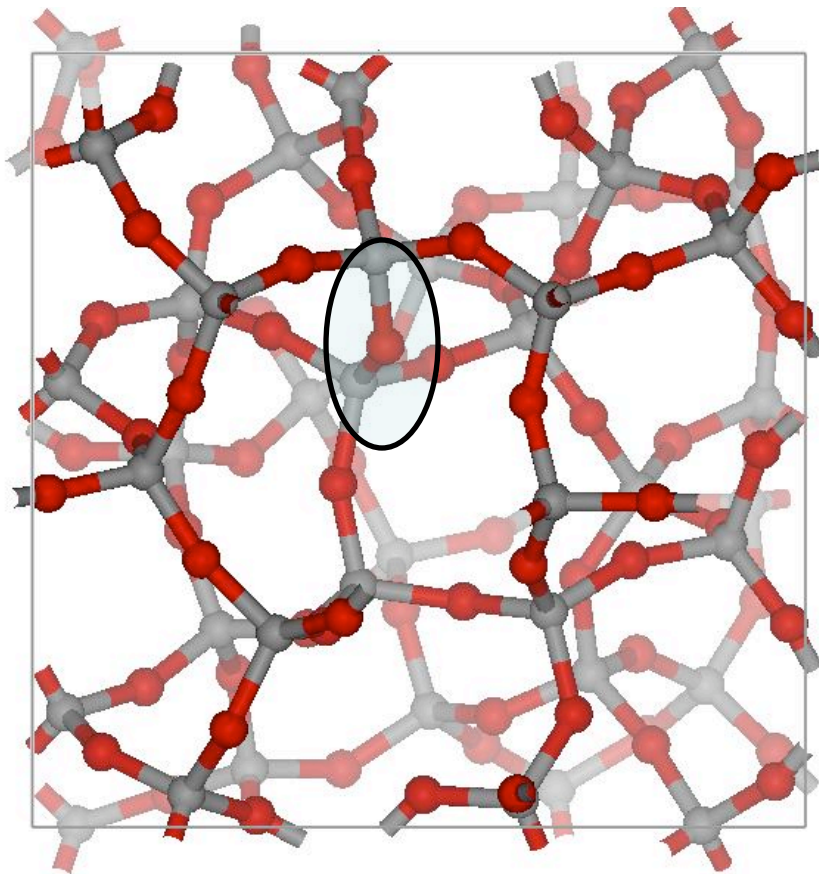
- $2\text{D} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{DH}$
- $E_{\text{R}} > 4 \text{ eV}$

- All D  $\rightarrow$  DH
- No D during H<sub>2</sub> soak

# New Model Needed

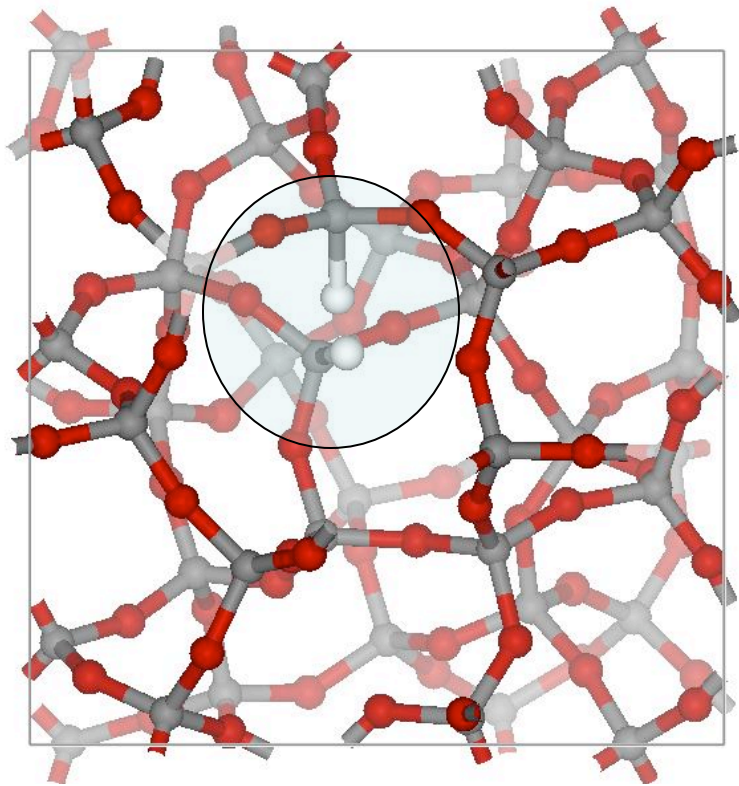
- Initial Model
  - $\text{H}_2 + 2 \text{D} \rightarrow \text{D H}$
  - $\text{DH} + \text{hole} \rightarrow \text{D} + \text{H}^+$
  - D = isolated dangling bond
- New Model
  - D = Oxygen Vacancy

# Oxygen Vacancies

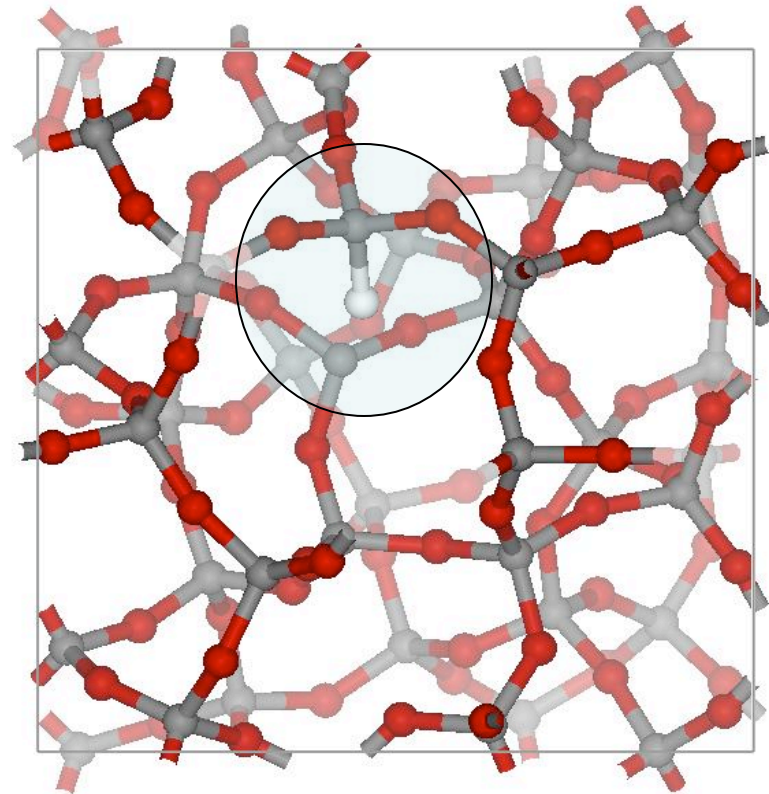


$$T \sim 1200 \text{ K}$$
$$N_L / N_H \sim e^{1\text{eV}/kT} \sim 10^4$$

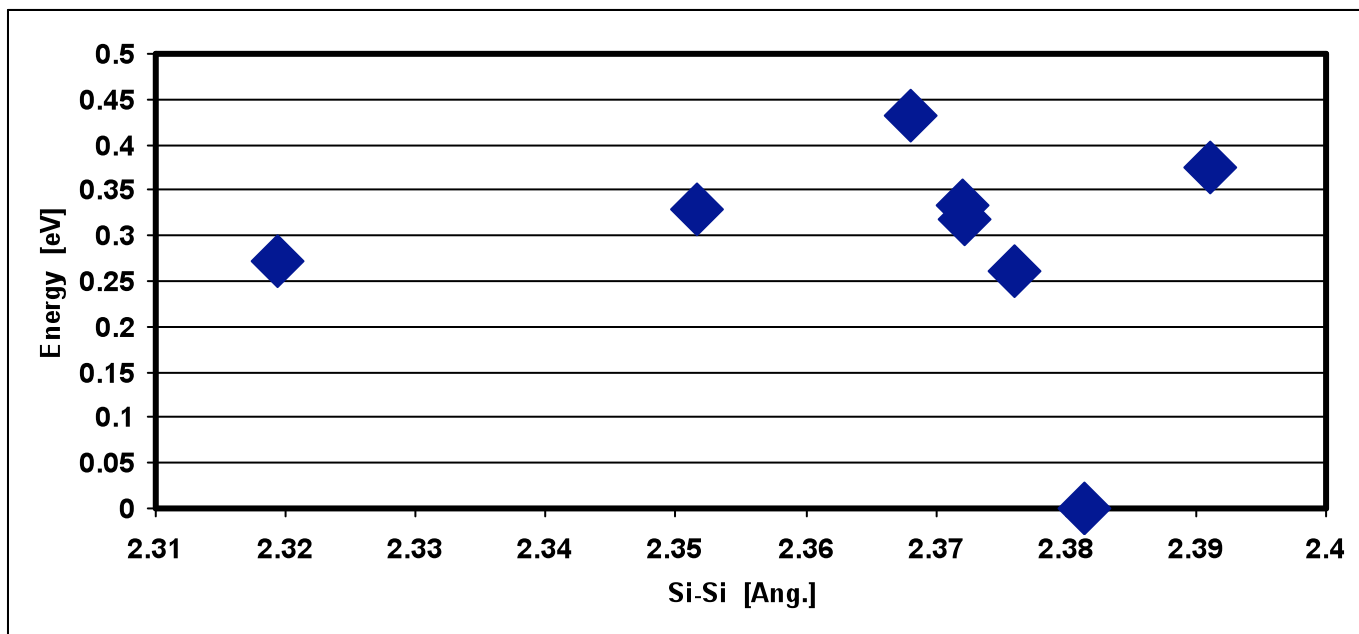
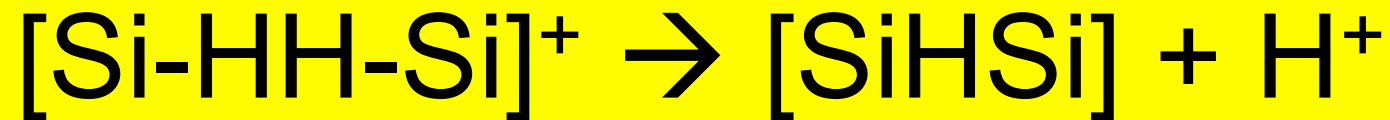
# Hydrogenated Vacancy Models



**[SiHHSi]<sup>+</sup>**

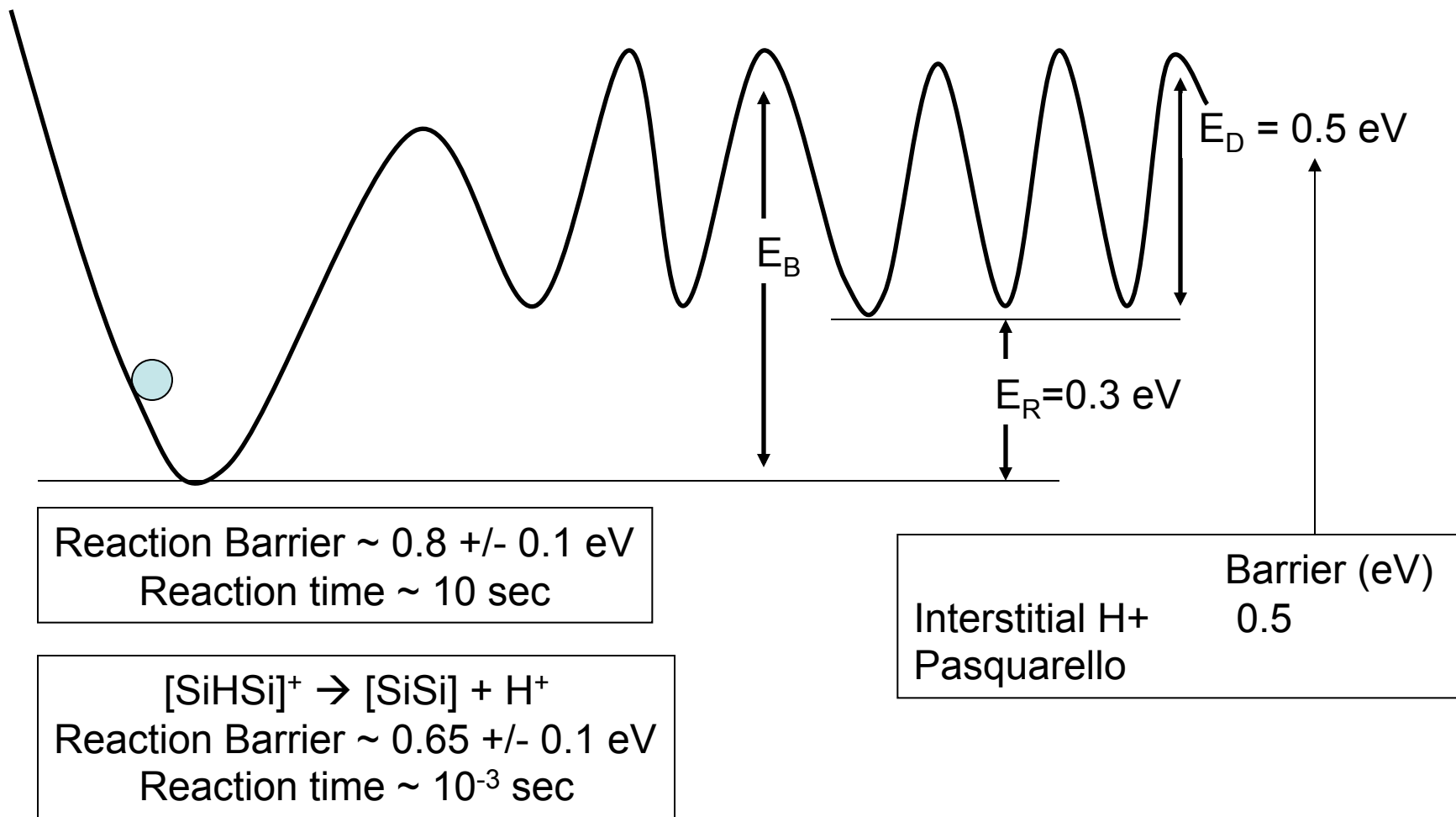


**[SiHSi]**



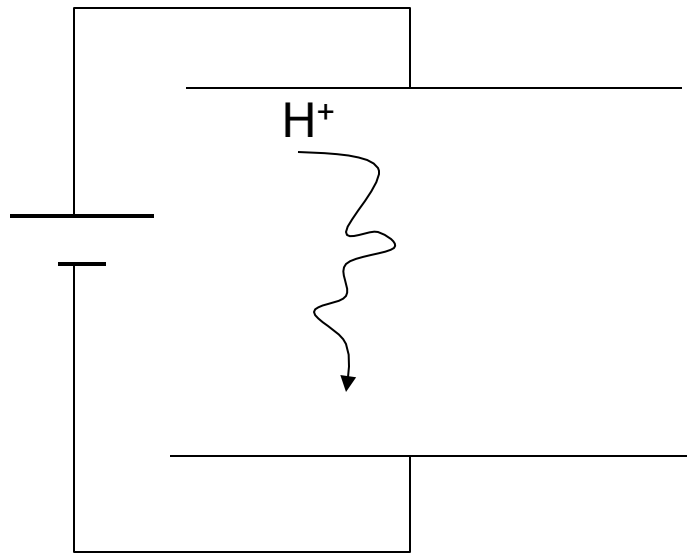
	Reaction Energy (eV)
Present Work	0.3 +/- 0.1
Bloch, Quartz	0.2

# H<sup>+</sup> Release Reaction



# Proton MOS Memory

- Vanheusden et al Nature 1997
- $H^+$  release from vacancies

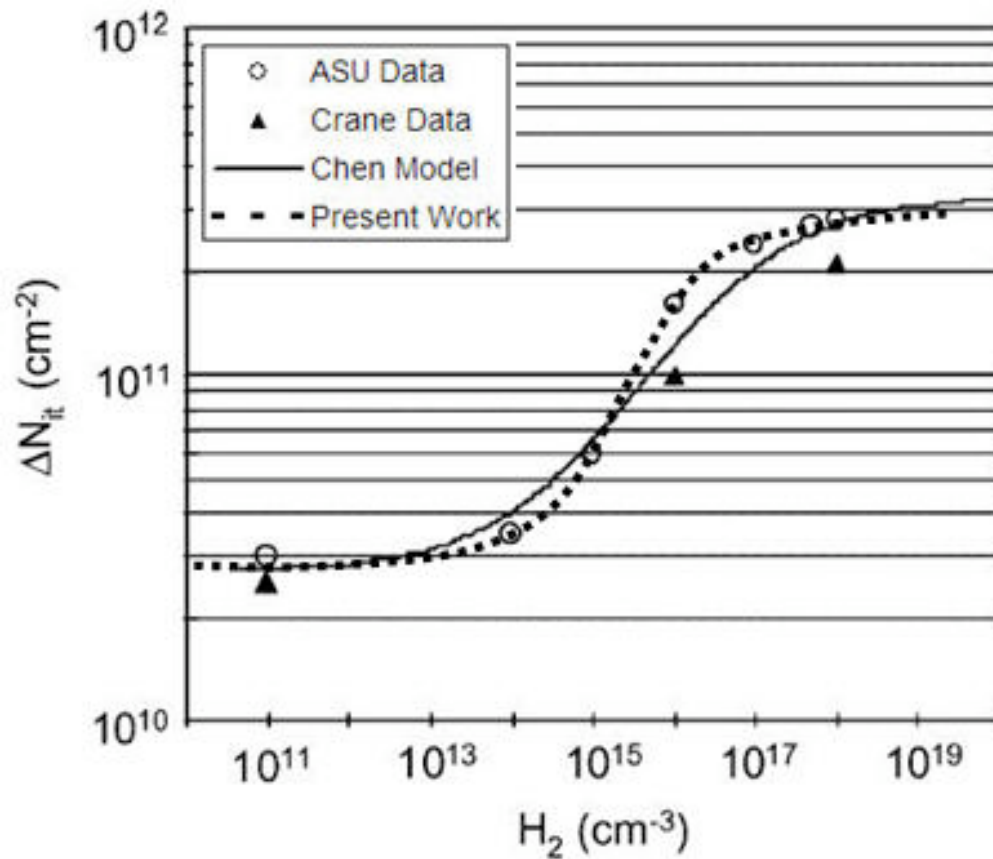




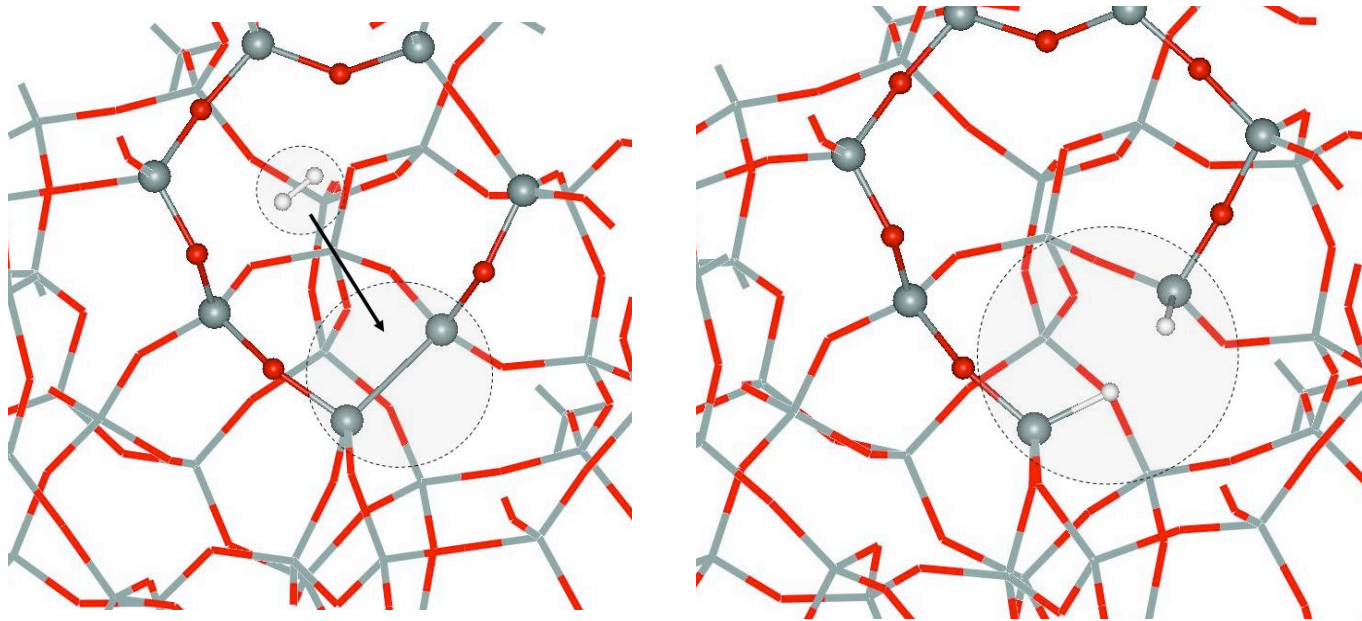
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- New Reaction:
  - $H_2 + V \leftrightarrow (Si-H H-Si)$
  - $(Si-H H-Si) + \text{hole} \rightarrow (Si-H-Si) + H^+$
  - $\Delta N_{it} = N_{VH} + K_1 N_{H_2} / ( 1 + K_2 N_{H_2} )$

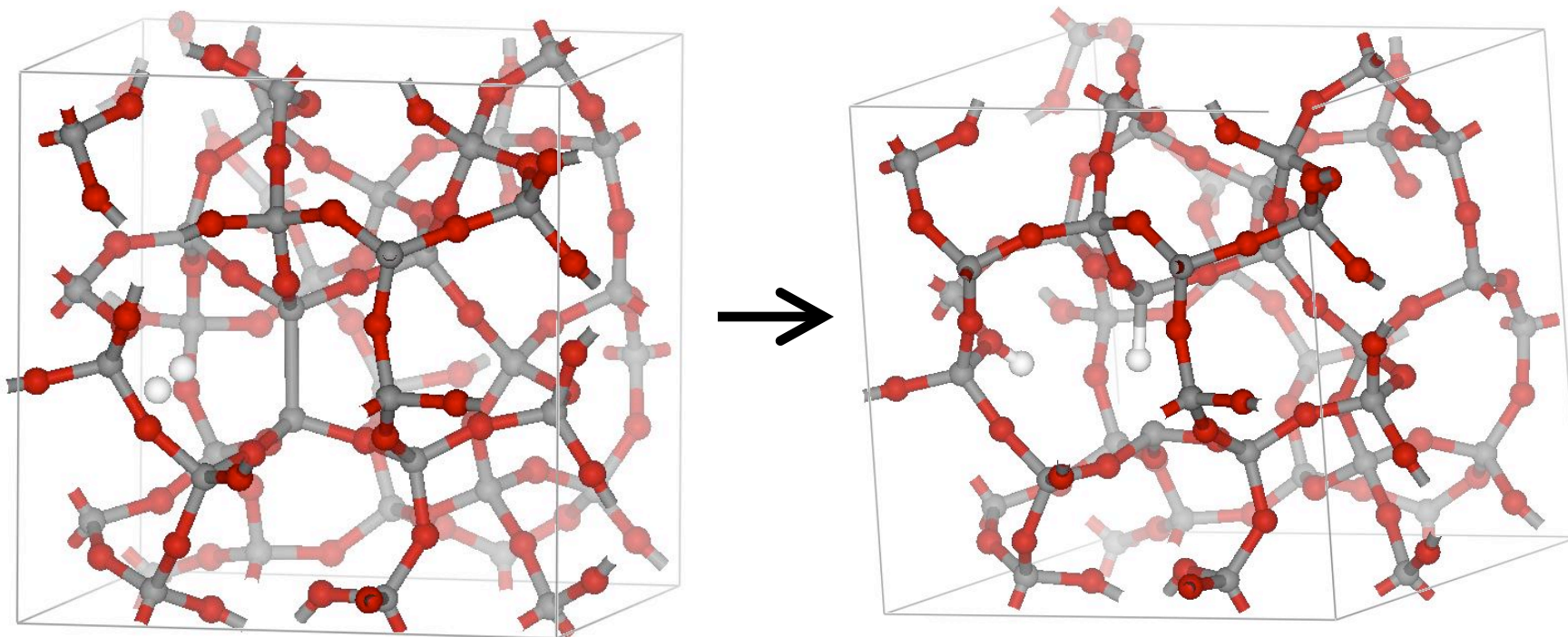
# Fitting Data



# H<sub>2</sub> soaking revisited



- Local Barrier:  $E_b = 0.95 \pm 0.05$  eV



# Future Work

- More DFT calculations
  - Reduce error bars
- Develop new rate equations
  - Fit to H<sub>2</sub> soaking data