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Single-Frequency Sisyphus Cooling of Lithium in the Presence of a Dipole Trap YANPING CAI, DANIEL ALLMAN, PARTH SABHARWAL, KEVIN WRIGHT, Dartmouth — We have applied a single-frequency large-detuning Sisyphus cooling technique (originally demonstrated with 7 Li in free space: Hamilton et al. PRA 89 023409) to enhance capture of 6 Li atoms in a NIR dipole trap. We report on the effectiveness of 1D and 2D Sisyphus cooling in the absence of other fields, and in the presence of crossed-beam traps up to 1 mK deep. The cooling technique is relatively insensitive to polarization, detuning, and magnetic fields. We expect to be able to enhance capture of both lithium isotopes simultaneously with a single-frequency Sisyphus beam detuned between the 6 Li D_2 and 7 Li D_1 lines.

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