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Dependence of Electron and Ion Transport on T_e/T_i in Low Collisionality QH-mode Plasmas¹ L. SCHMITZ, T.L. RHODES, J.C. HILLESHEIM, W.A. PEEBLES, G. WANG, L. ZENG, UCLA, C. HOLLAND, UCSD, K.H. BURRELL, J.C. DEBOO, S.P. SMITH, R. PRATER, J.S. DEGRASSIE, G.M. STAEBLER, GA, G.R. MCKEE, U Wisc.-Madison, W.M. SOLOMON, PPPL — Core electron/ion thermal transport and its dependence on ITG/TEM/ETG-scale turbulence are examined in high temperature, strongly rotating QH-mode plasmas, at ITER-relevant collisionality ($\nu_e^* \sim 0.05$). To simulate central electron heating by α -particles, ECH has been used to achieve $0.6 \leq T_e/T_i \leq 1.1$. ITG/TEM-scale density fluctuations remain virtually unchanged, while electron temperature fluctuations, and gyroBohm-normalized electron and ion diffusivities increase with T_e/T_i . Linear stability calculations support a transition to a TEM-dominated regime due to increased T_e/T_i and a reduced ion temperature gradient R/L_{Ti} with ECH. Initial GYRO nonlinear calculations will be shown. At reduced toroidal rotation, ITG-dominated QH-mode plasmas [$T_e(0)/T_i(0) \sim 0.6$] exhibit 20% increased global energy confinement time and β_N ,

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