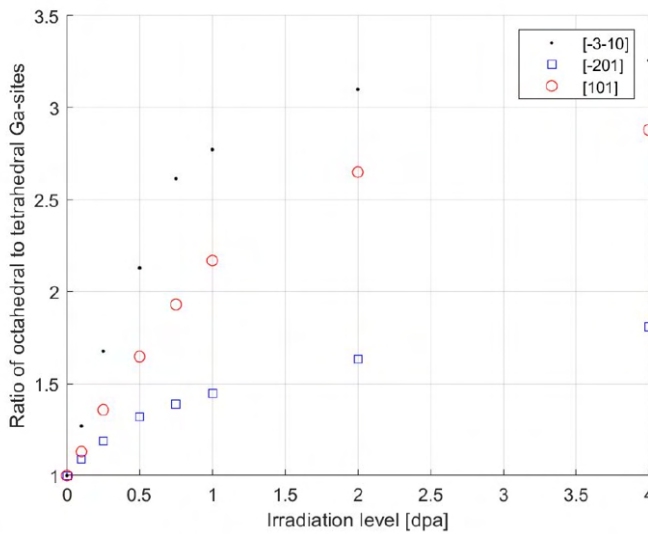
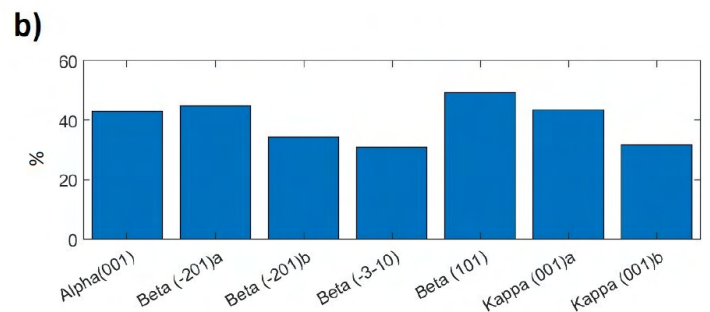
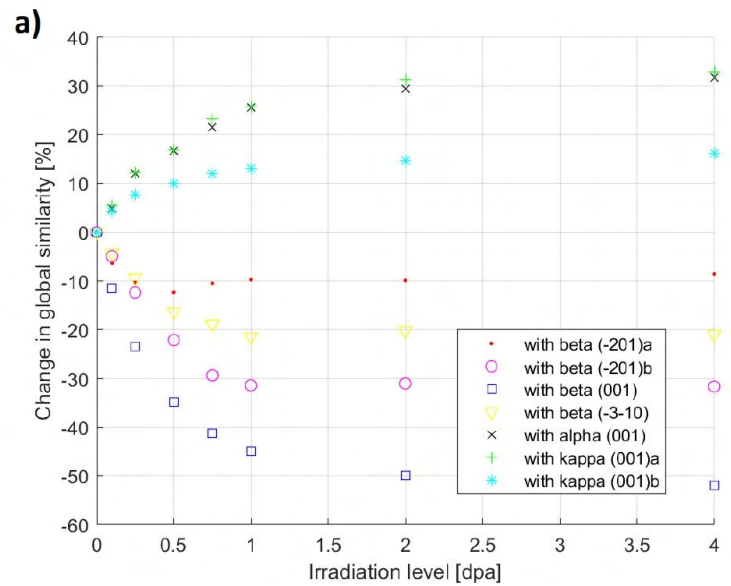


**Figure 1:** Comparison of a) Experimental [101] zone axis TEM diffraction pattern of  $\beta$ -Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> after 2 dpa irradiation by 400 eV Ar ions, with theoretical patterns produced by model for 2 dpa fast ion irradiation along b) [101], c) [201] and d) [310] zone axes.



**Figure 2:** Predicted evolution of the ratio between octahedrally and tetrahedrally occupied Ga-sites in  $\beta$ -Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> as a result of irradiation level for three main zone axes orthogonal to near close-packed O-atom layers.



**Figure 3:** a) Evolution of the change in similarities between the Ga-atom sublattice layer parallel to (101) and other layers confined between near close-packed O-atom layers as a function of irradiation. While the highest increase in similarity of the irradiated (101) plane is with the  $\kappa$ -Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (001) configuration, b) - a bar chart of the percentage of similarities after 2 dpa irradiation, shows that the irradiated Ga-atom sublattice's similarity to the unirradiated (101) configuration remains the highest.