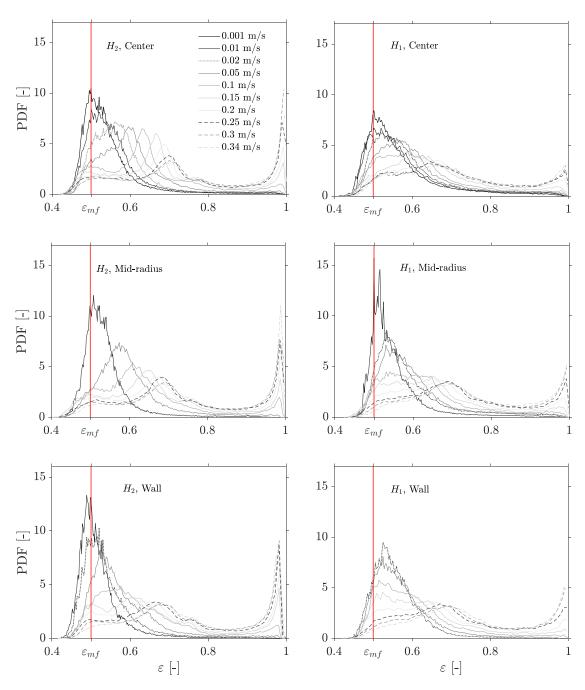
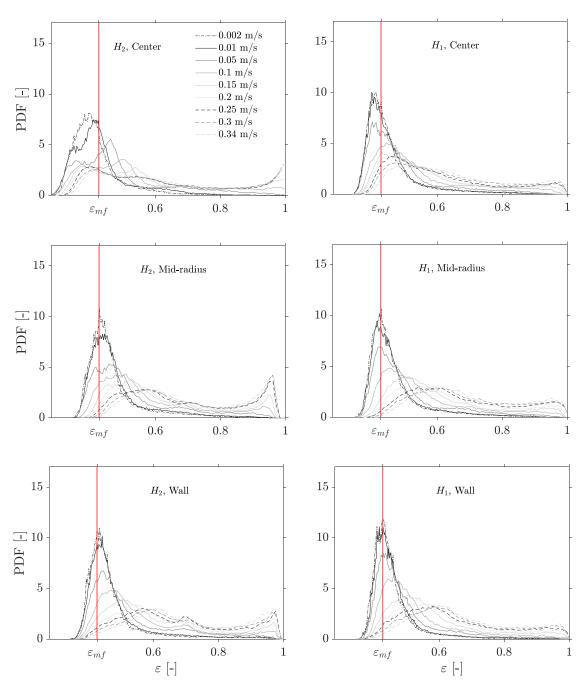
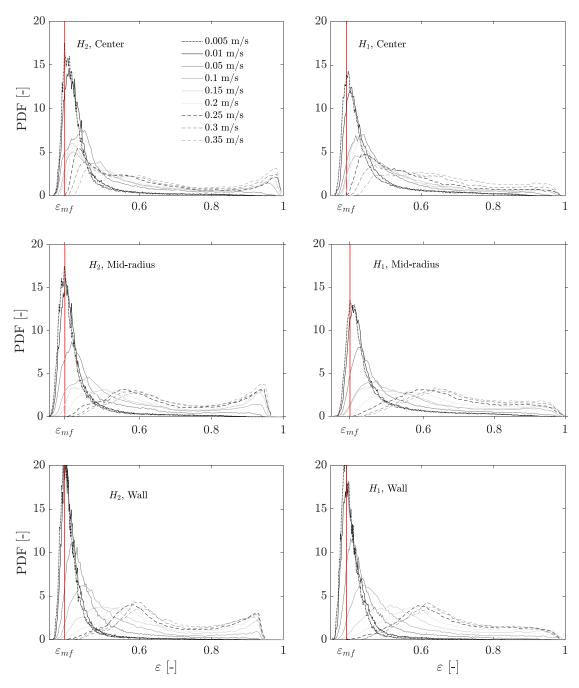
## **Supplementary material**



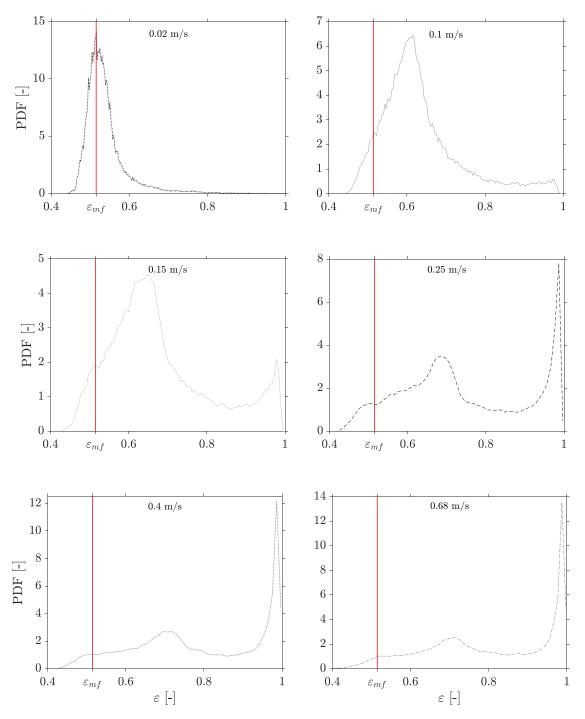
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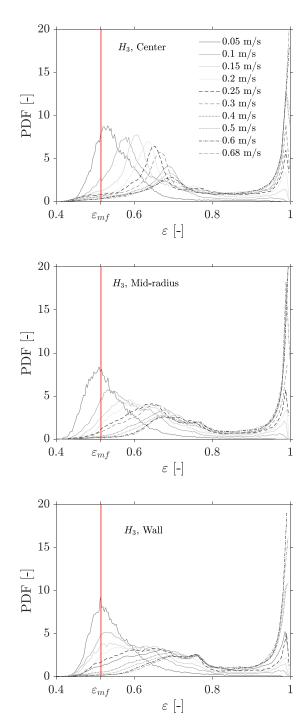
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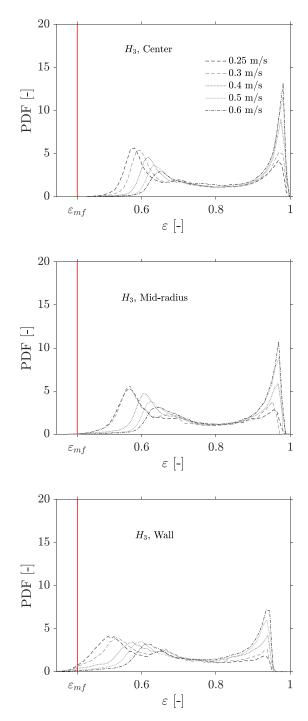
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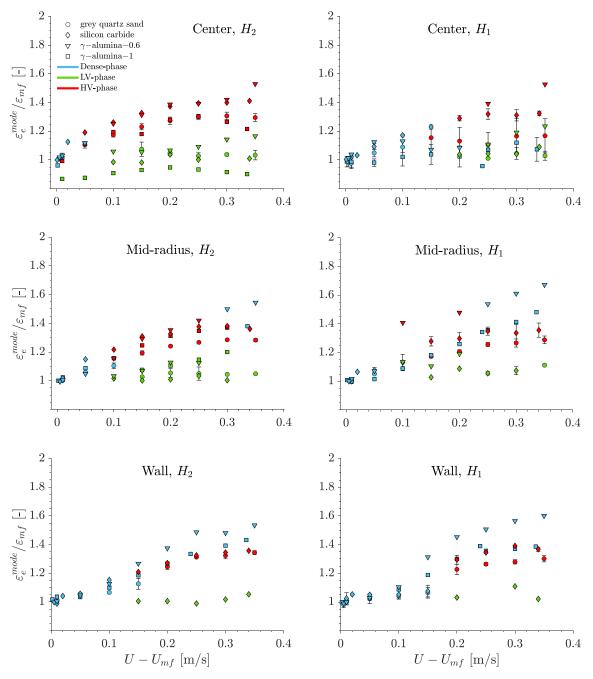
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**Figure S.5.** Probability density functions of the local voidage of SiC fluidized bed at 500 °C for different excess gas superficial velocities and probe radial locations at the axial coordinate  $H_3$ .



**Figure S.6.** Probability density functions of the local voidage of  $\gamma$ -alumina–1 fluidized bed at 500 °C for different excess gas superficial velocities and probe radial locations at the axial coordinate  $H_3$ .



**Figure S.7.** Normalized mode values of the PDFs of the emulsion-phase voidage for the four material samples, at ambient temperature, as a function of  $U-U_{mf}$ .