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sCO<sub>2</sub> Power and Heat Solutions

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**Echogen has developed a platform sCO<sub>2</sub>\* technology to reduce industrial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and enable the transition to 100% renewable energy**

### **Waste Heat Recovery and primary cycle**

Skid based solution to utilize high temperature heat (300+°C) to produce electricity or mechanical drive.

### **Industrial Heating**

High efficiency heat pump technology to electrify low and medium temperature industrial applications

### **Long Duration Energy Storage**

Pumped thermal energy storage (PTES) to enable baseloading renewable energy resources at the Utility scale

\*sCO<sub>2</sub> – Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub>



8 MW EPS100 Waste Heat Recovery System

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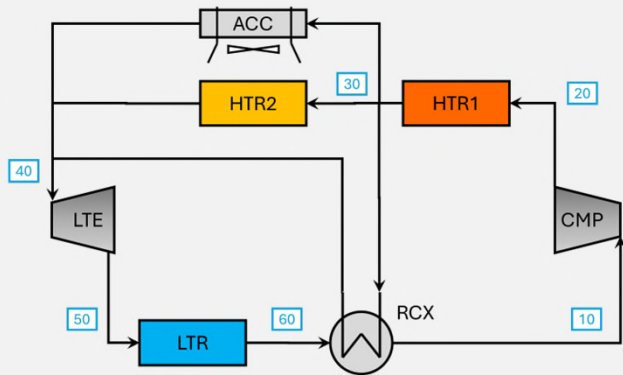
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Pumped Thermal Energy Storage (PTES)

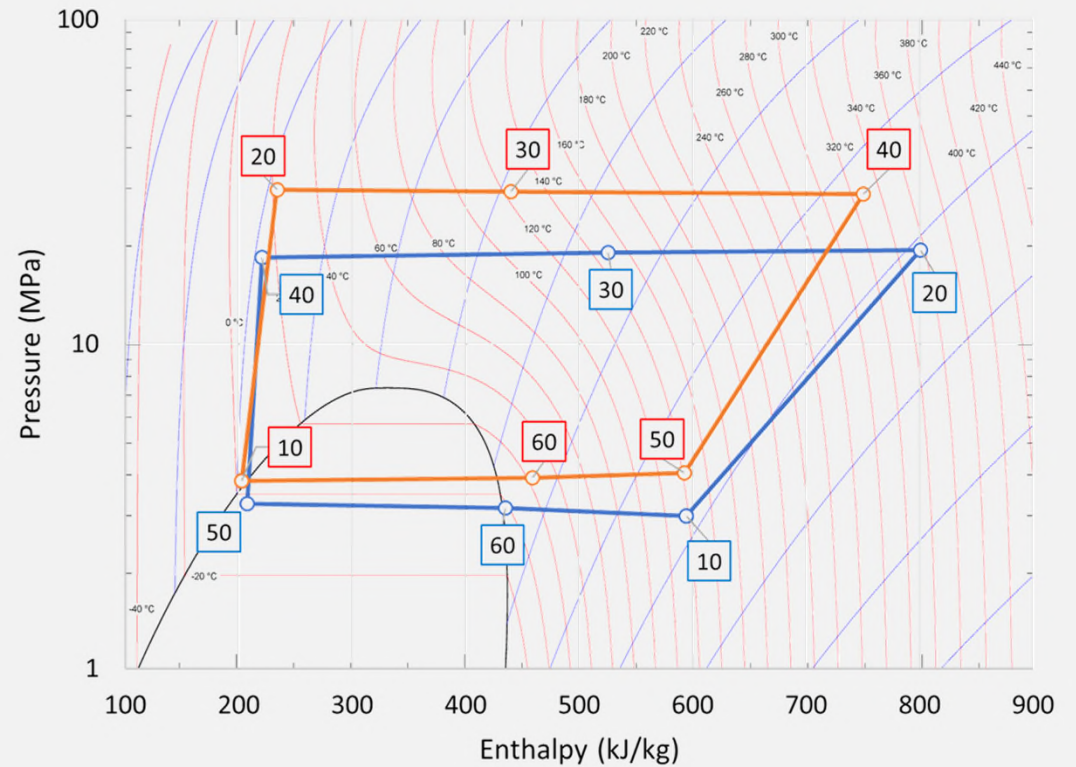
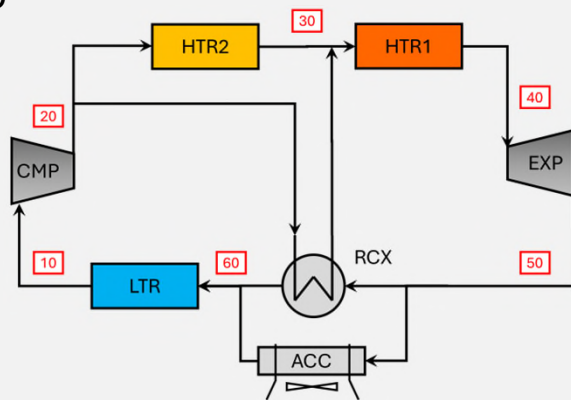
# Pumped Thermal Energy Storage basics



Charging



Generating



# Combining Innovation and Proven Technology



## Systems

### Generation

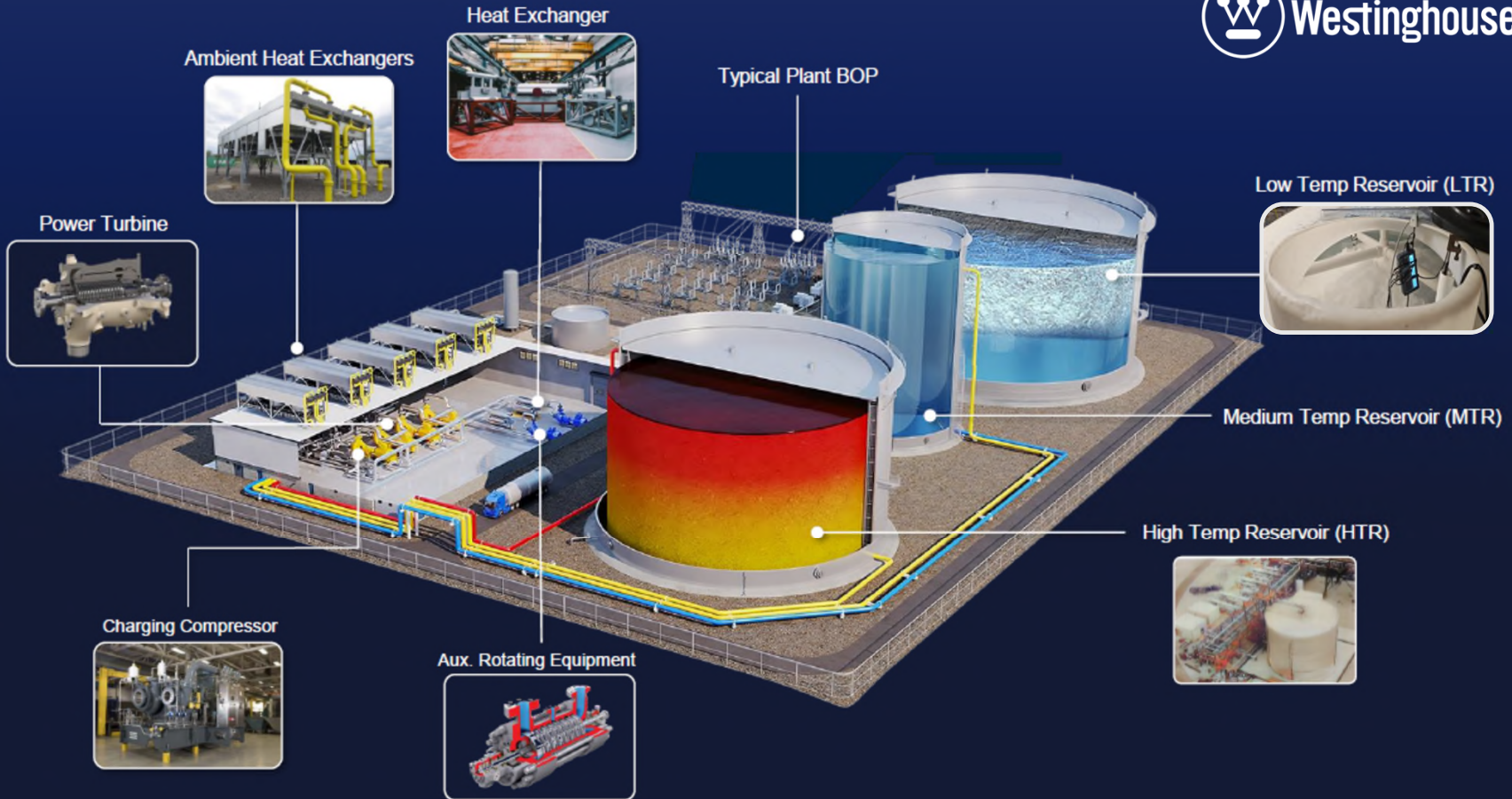


The EPS100 is a commercially available generating system with over 330 hours of operation

### Heat Pump



Large pilot scale system used to validate models



# Power generation turbine will be largest operational sCO<sub>2</sub> unit at time of deployment



~62 MW net output

HP steam turbine derivative

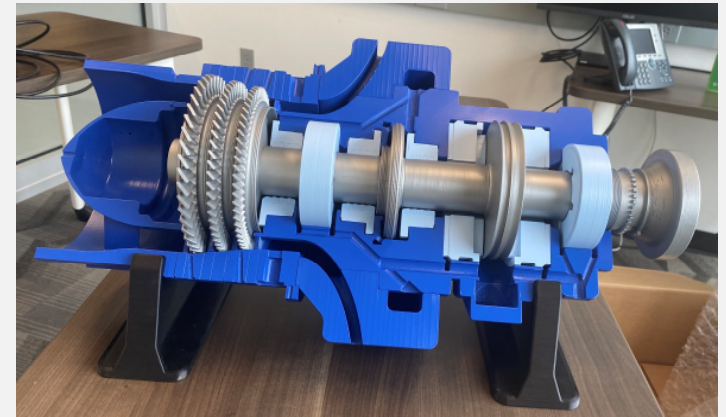
Multi-stage axial design,  
synchronous generator

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# Large-scale axial compressor development program

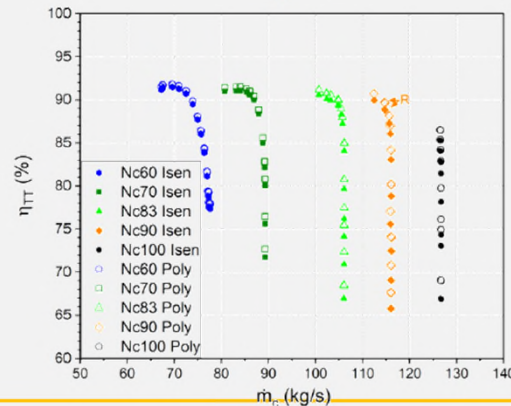
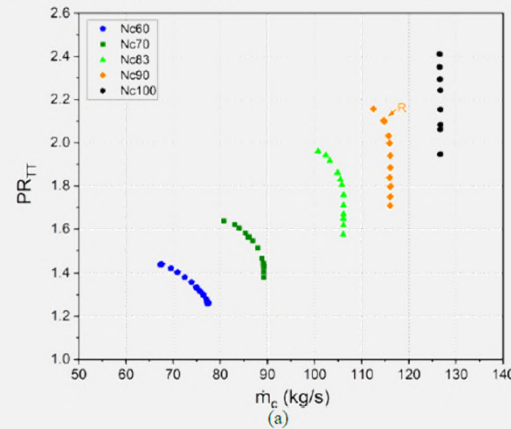
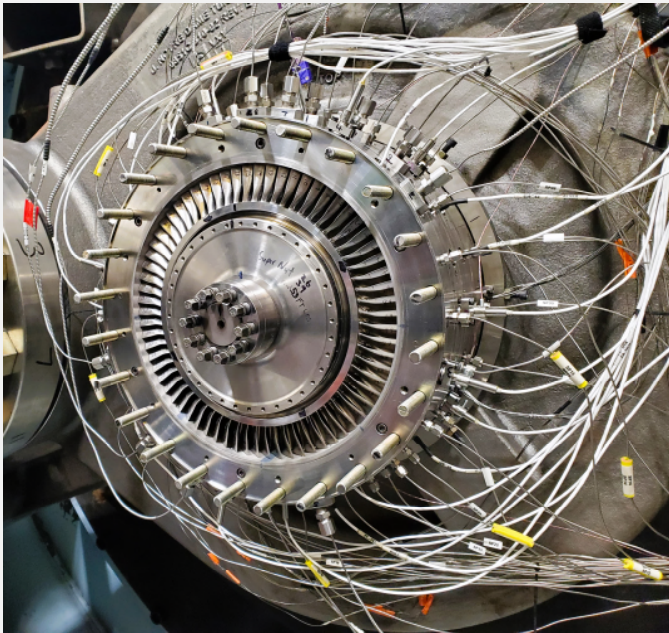


- Initial deployments are multiple centrifugal compressors in parallel
- Pumped thermal energy storage requires grid-scale compression -  $>100$  MW – better served by axial design



- DOE/EERE funding
- Univ. Cincinnati optimized blade aero
- Univ. Notre Dame Turbolab design/test

# Advanced 3-stage axial CO<sub>2</sub> compressor design & demonstration



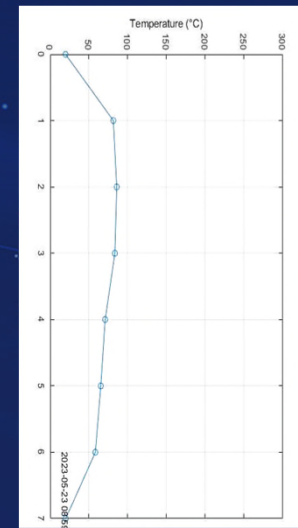
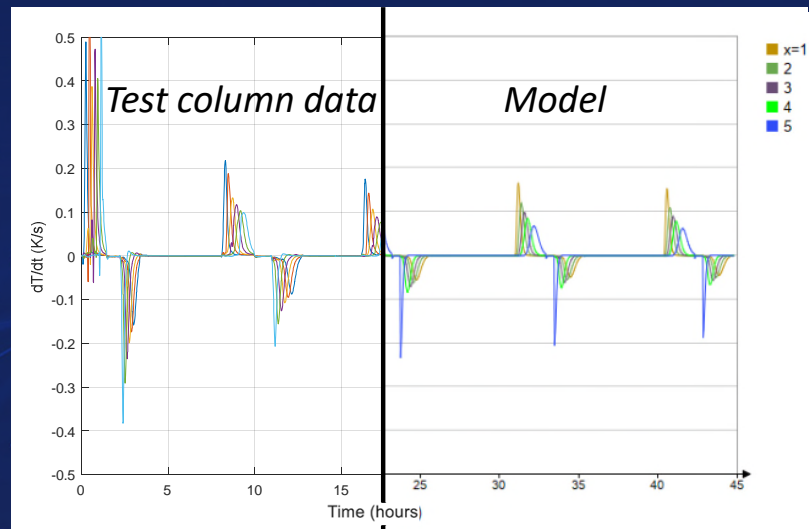
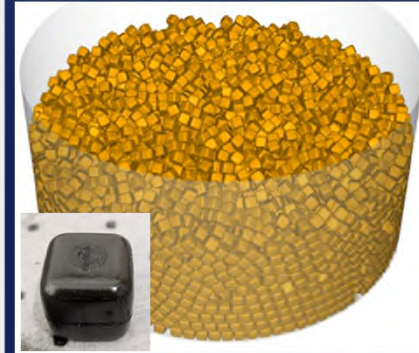
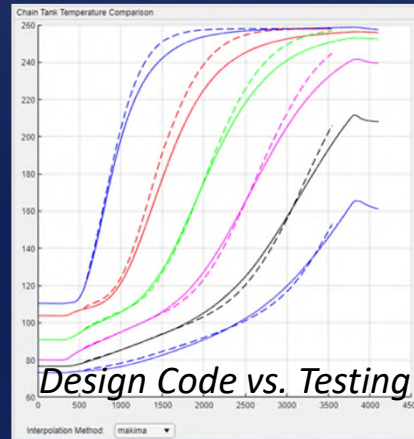
- Advanced blade aero design & optimization
- Met projected performance (pressure ratio and isentropic efficiency)
- Highest sCO<sub>2</sub> isentropic compressor efficiency to date
- In discussions with OEMs for potential commercialization
- 2 ASME IGTI Best Paper awards (2024 and 2025)

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# Thermal Reservoirs

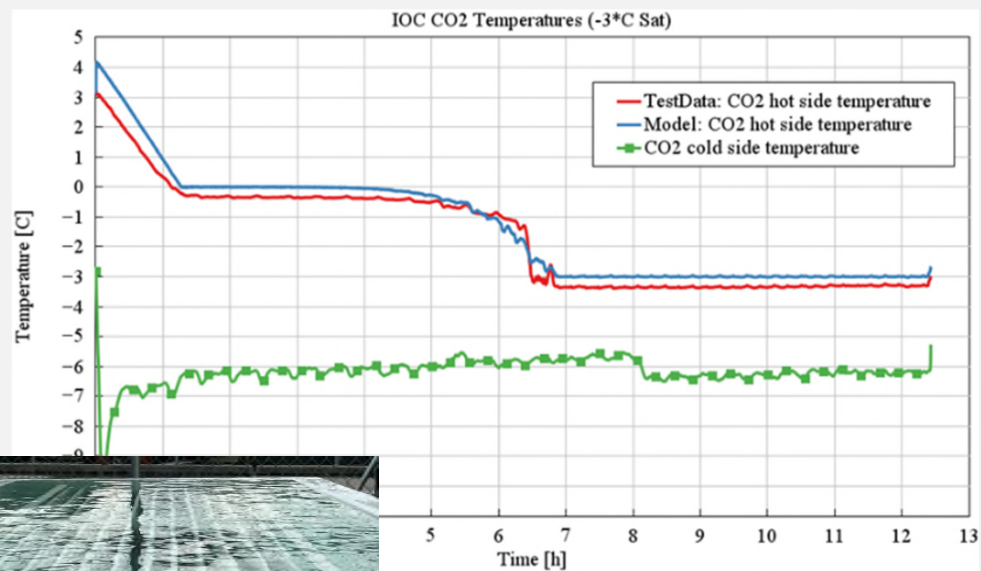
## Packed Bed + Heat Transfer Fluid

- Westinghouse proprietary engineered concrete fill
- Testing of thermal column
  - Multiple fill materials tested
  - Simulation tools validated against data
- Active test & simulation programs
  - Packing fraction + DEM\* simulation program
  - Durability (cycle) testing
  - Manufacturing automation
  - Integrated effects (large-scale) test





# Low temperature reservoir - IOC



# Commercial Scale IOC Installation



> 5000 miles of tubing for 1 GWh

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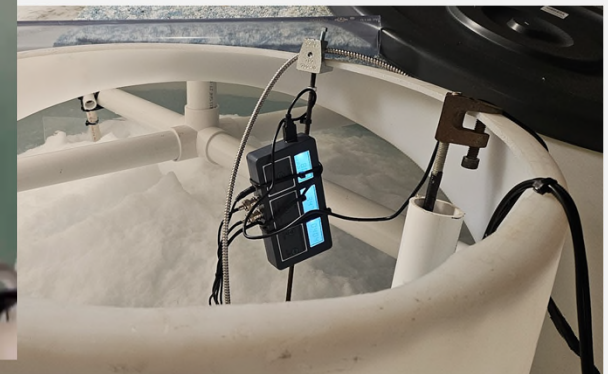
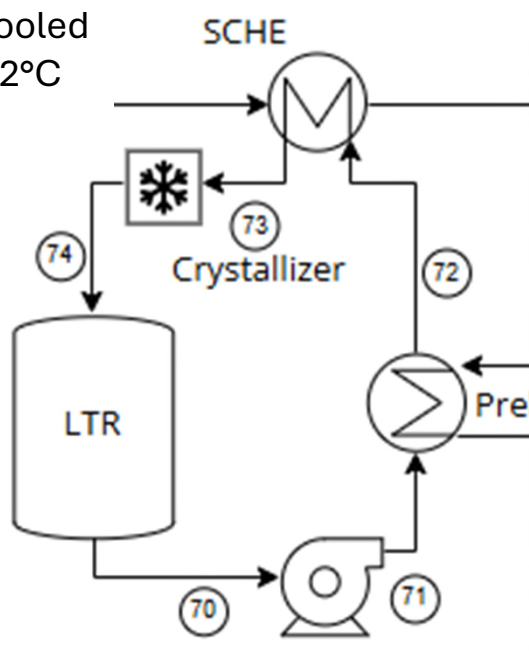
# Low temperature reservoir – Supercooled water Ice Water Slurry (IWS) generation



Liquid water cooled with CO<sub>2</sub> to < -2°C

Triggered to convert to ice/water mixture

Liquid water extracted from LTR



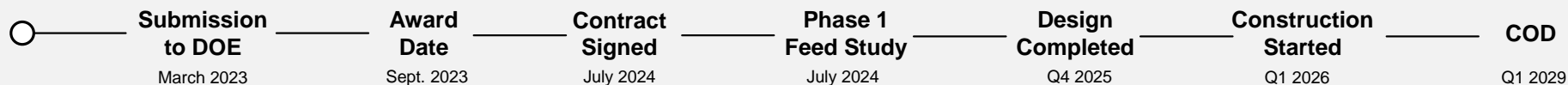
Low cost, highly scalable storage solution



# POLAR Project in Healy, AK - One of the largest planned installations of long-duration energy storage in the United States



- Prime recipient: Westinghouse Electric Company
- US DOE awards project to deploy 50MW, 24-hour (1.2 GWh) long-duration energy storage
- Bolsters energy security for the region
- Mitigates transmission system limitations, balances load
- Enables future integration of renewable energy
- Air quality and electricity pricing benefits to community
- Leverages existing utility staff skillsets





# Project status

- FEED study completed on time (Dec 2025), awaiting BP1/BP2 transition
- Preliminary P&IDs, equipment specs transmitted to potential suppliers, quotes received
- No component show-stoppers
- Steady-state and quasi-steady-state modeling near completion –
  - Design point
  - Turndown
  - Ambient temperature
  - Reservoir capacity imbalance recovery
  - Reservoir temperature variation
- Transient model and control simulation underway

# International PTES Deployment



## Vodohospodárska Výstavba (VVB)

- MOU signed in Washington, D.C. in 2025
- Feasibility study and use case analysis completed
- Use case to store and utilize significant unused hydroelectric power → 200MW PTES system
- Expected COD 2030

## Africa

- Late-stage discussions to deploy first PTES project in Africa
- Expected 50MW PTES system with COD 2030



**Typical Project Timeline**

| Year 1      |    |                        |    | Year 2                                |    |    |    | Year 3               |    |                 |    |
|-------------|----|------------------------|----|---------------------------------------|----|----|----|----------------------|----|-----------------|----|
| Q1          | Q2 | Q3                     | Q4 | Q1                                    | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1                   | Q2 | Q3              | Q4 |
| <i>Feed</i> |    |                        |    |                                       |    |    |    |                      |    |                 |    |
|             |    | <i>Detailed Design</i> |    |                                       |    |    |    |                      |    |                 |    |
|             |    |                        |    | <i>Procurement &amp; Construction</i> |    |    |    |                      |    |                 |    |
|             |    |                        |    |                                       |    |    |    | <i>Commissioning</i> |    | ★               |    |
|             |    |                        |    |                                       |    |    |    |                      |    | <i>Delivery</i> |    |
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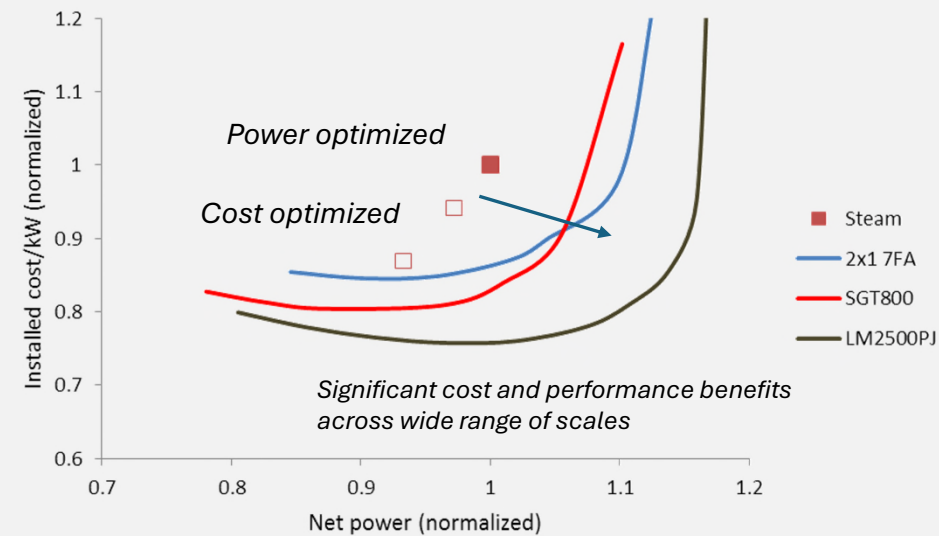
Other technology developments

# Power cycle development and commercialization



EPS100 during factory test

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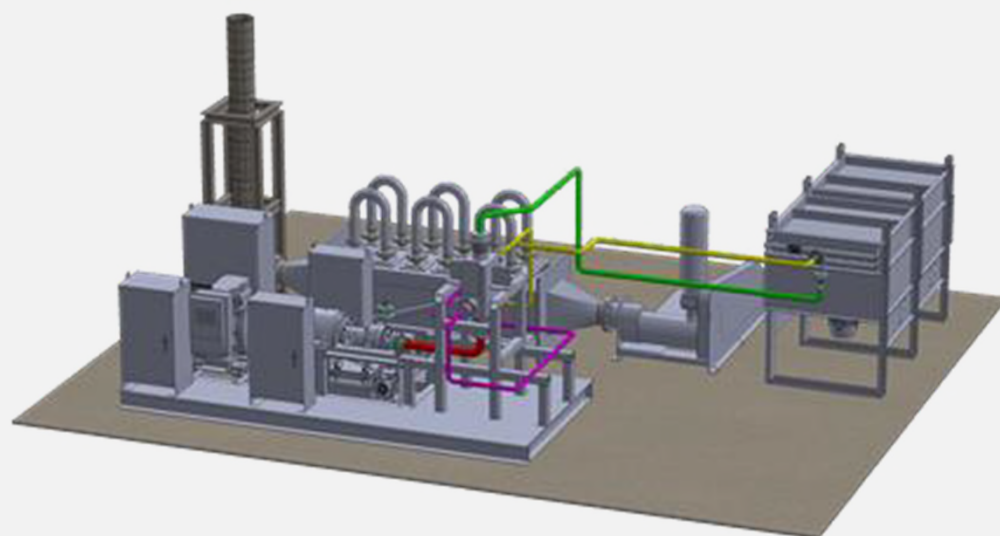
- Data center power demands pushing solutions that increase output from existing assets
- Large increase in interest for advanced nuclear cycles as well

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# High temperature sCO<sub>2</sub> heat pump

- 500 kW, 300°C air-source heat pump pilot project awarded by DOE/IEDO last year
- Awaiting DOE project approvals
- Commercialization discussions in process with food/beverage potential customers

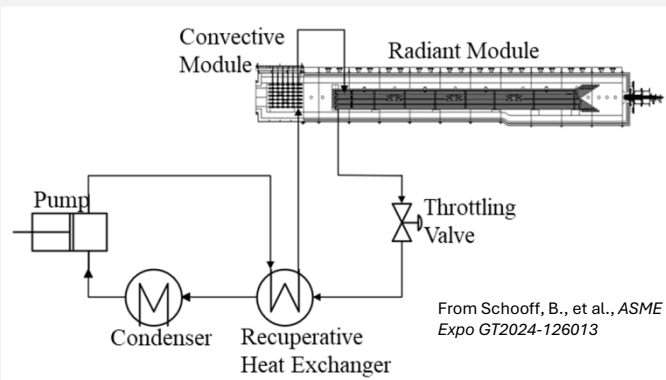


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# Solid fuel combustor and primary heat exchanger



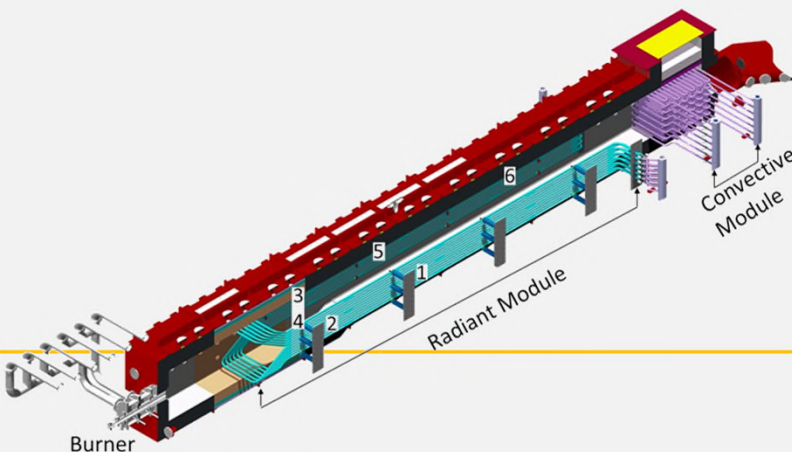
- L1500 solid fuel combustor (BYU) – coal & biomass
- Super 304H primary heat exchanger by Riley Power
- > 200 hours operation



From Schooff, B., et al., ASME Turbo Expo GT2024-126013

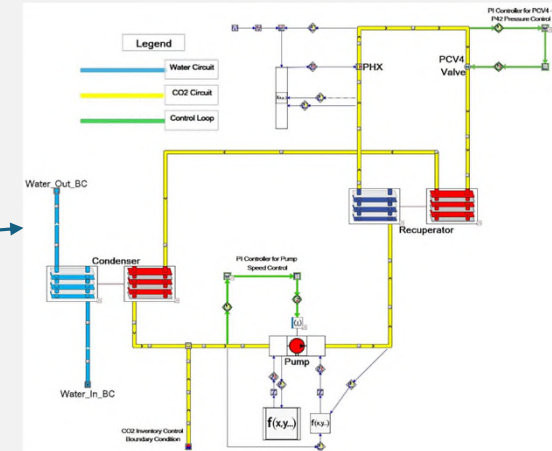
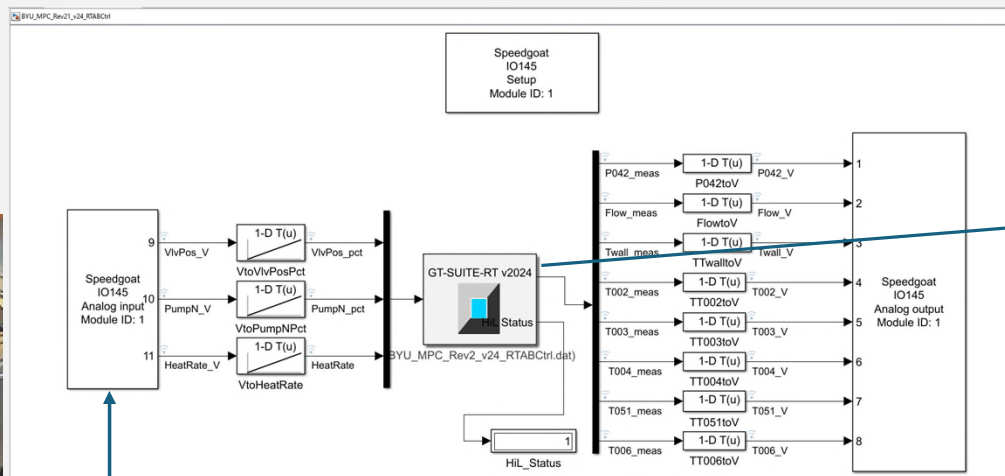
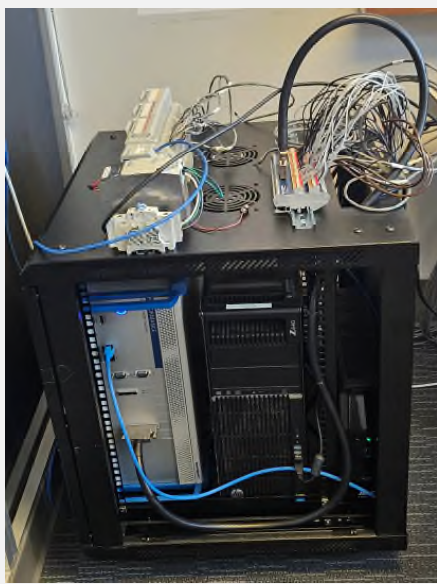


Installation at Utah San Rafael Energy Laboratory



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# Transient model and controls HIL (Hardware-In-the-Loop) demonstration



Real-time model simulation of the BYU “plant”



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# Transient model and controls MPC (Model Predictive Control) demonstration



Multiple input multiple  
output (MIMO) control with  
process variable  
constraints



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