

MODELING AND EXPERIMENTAL EVALUATION OF COMBINED LATENT AND SENSIBLE HEAT THERMAL ENERGY STORAGE IN A PILOT SCALE THERMOCLINE TANK



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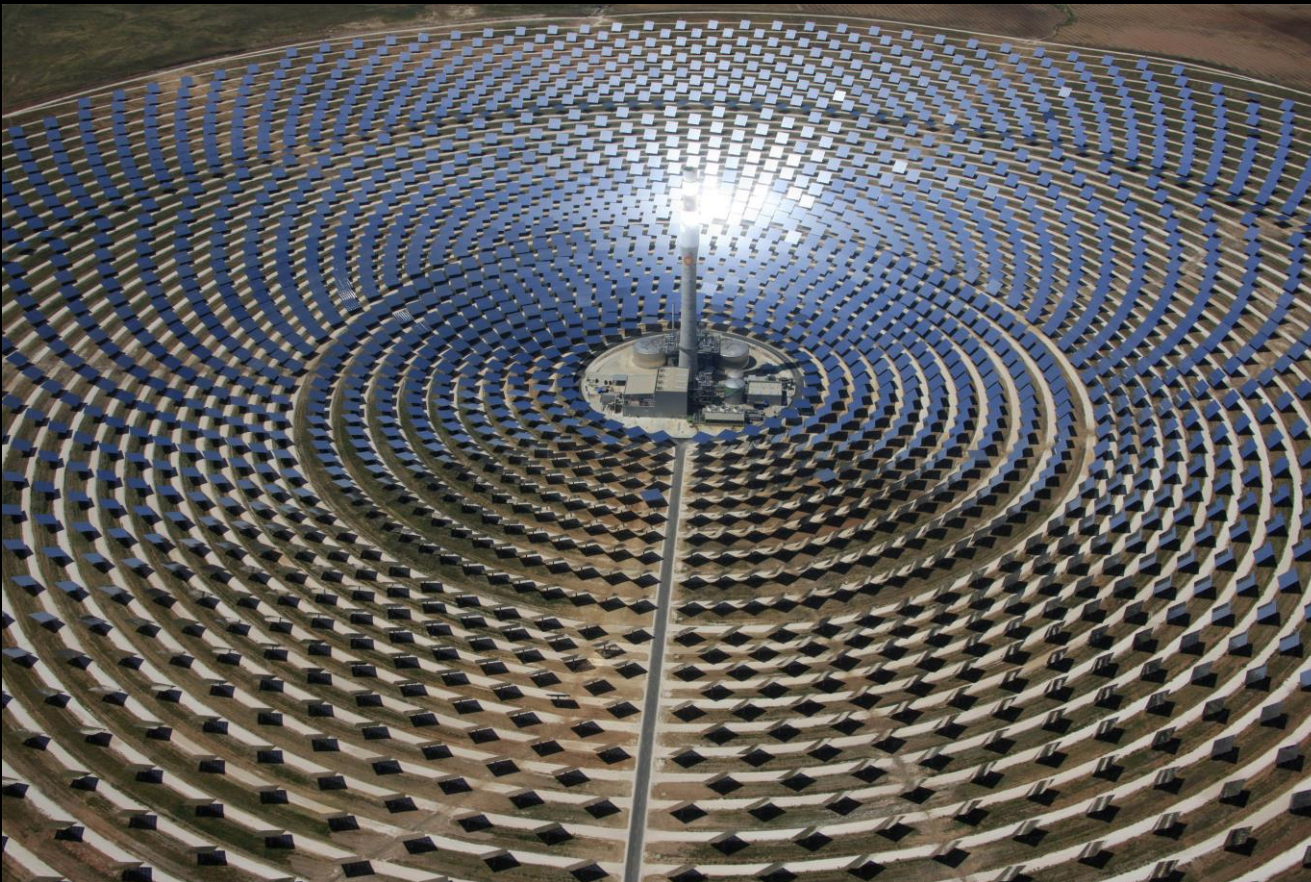
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Concentrated solar power CSP

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2050

620 GWe



A), "Renewable energy medium-term market report 2015. 2050 - Executive Summary," p. 14, 2015

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Commercially CSP - TES

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50 MWe - 7.5 h storage (28 000 t molten salt binary nitrate)
625 collectors (12m length, 6m aperture) HTF solar oil



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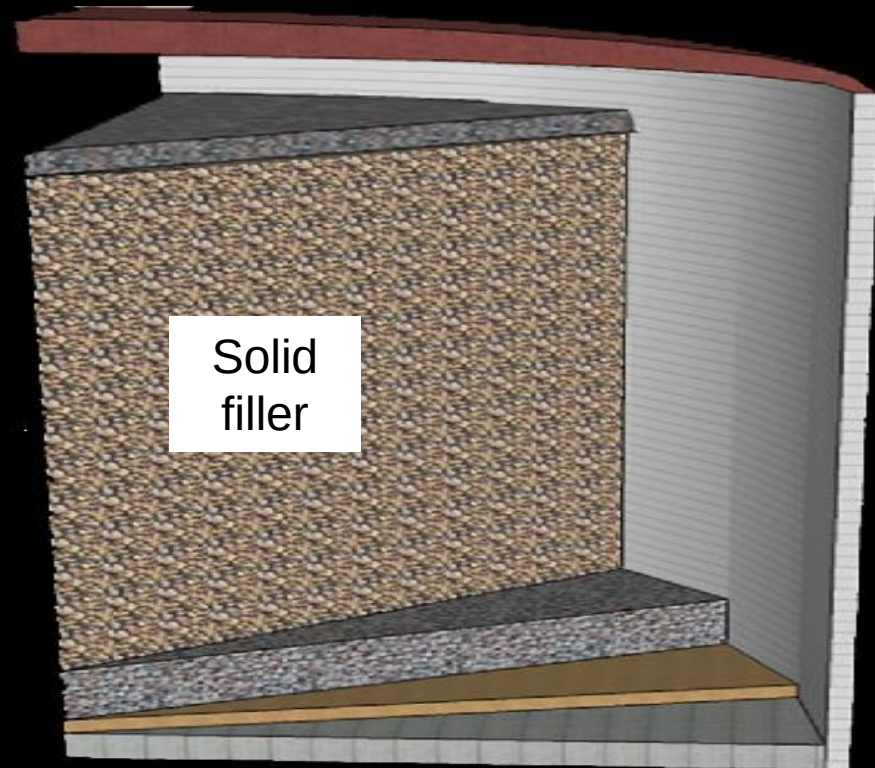
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Two-tanks Vs One-tank TES

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> 33%

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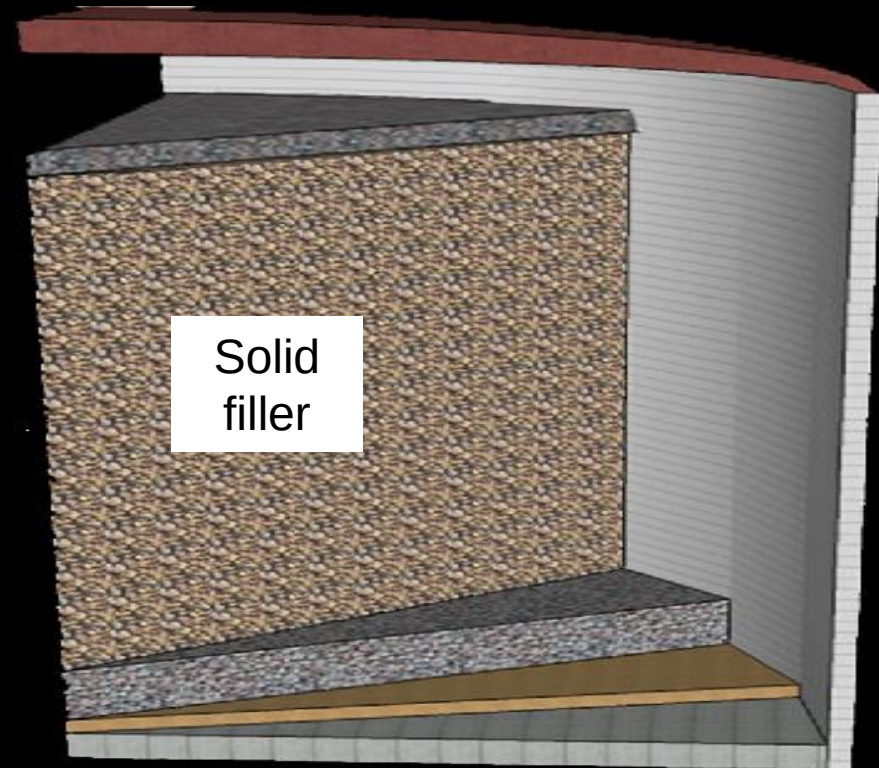


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>> HTF

>> Construction

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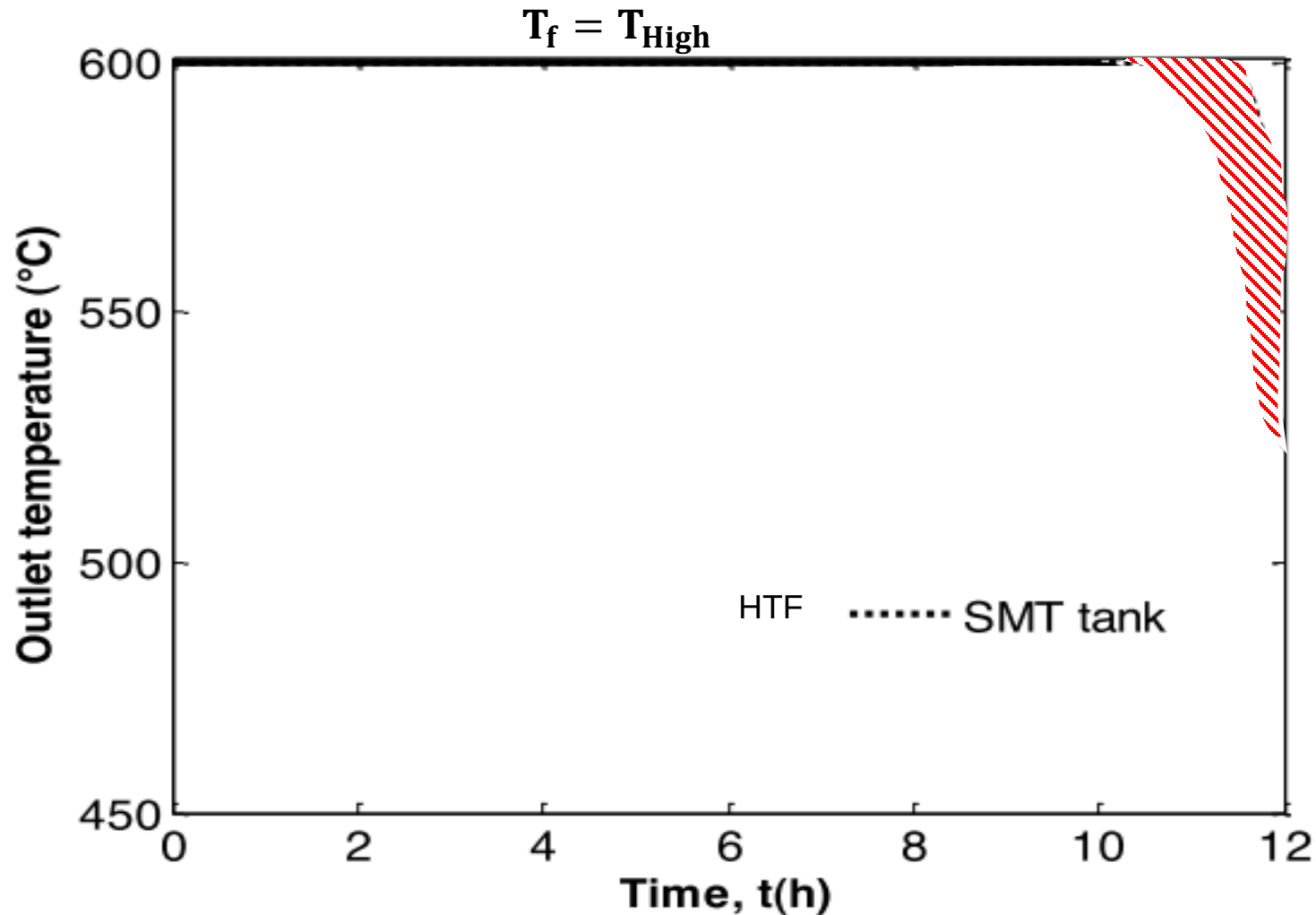


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SMT Vs DMT TES [06] C. Mira-Hernández,

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Outflow temperature history for dual-media and single-medium thermocline tanks.

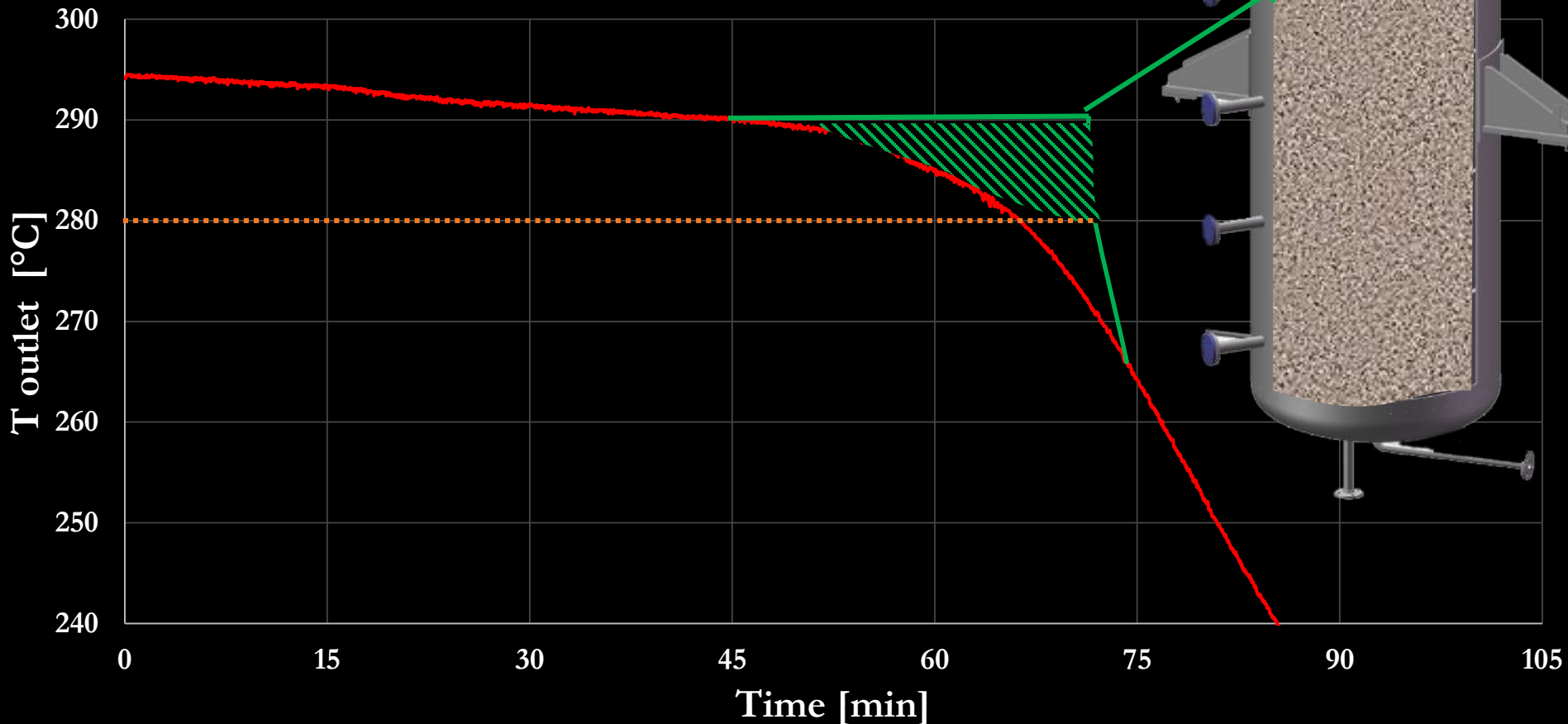
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Improve energy quality during discharge

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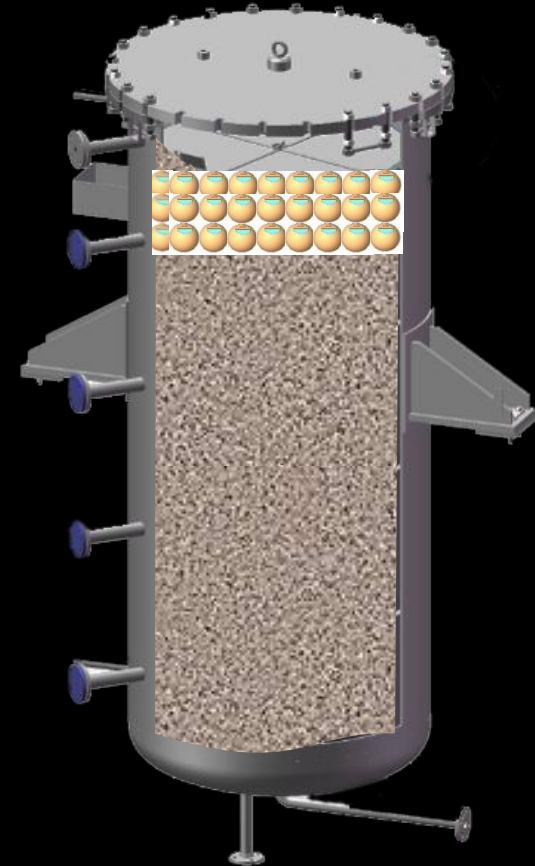
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Overcome performance drawbacks
Degraded discharged energy.



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- PCM layer design
- Experimental evaluation
(latent-sensible TES one-tank)
- Model (latent-sensible TES one-tank)



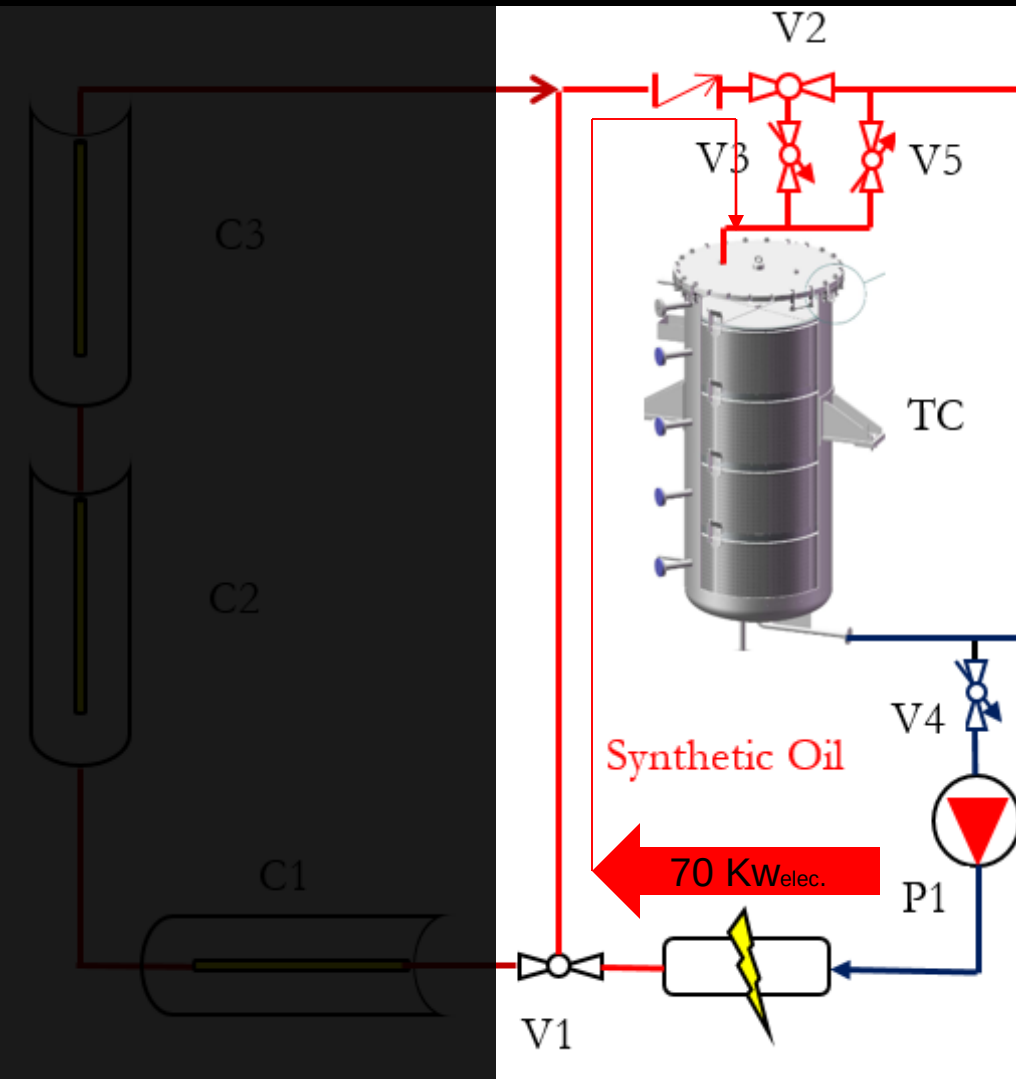
MicroSol-R Odeillo (PROMES)

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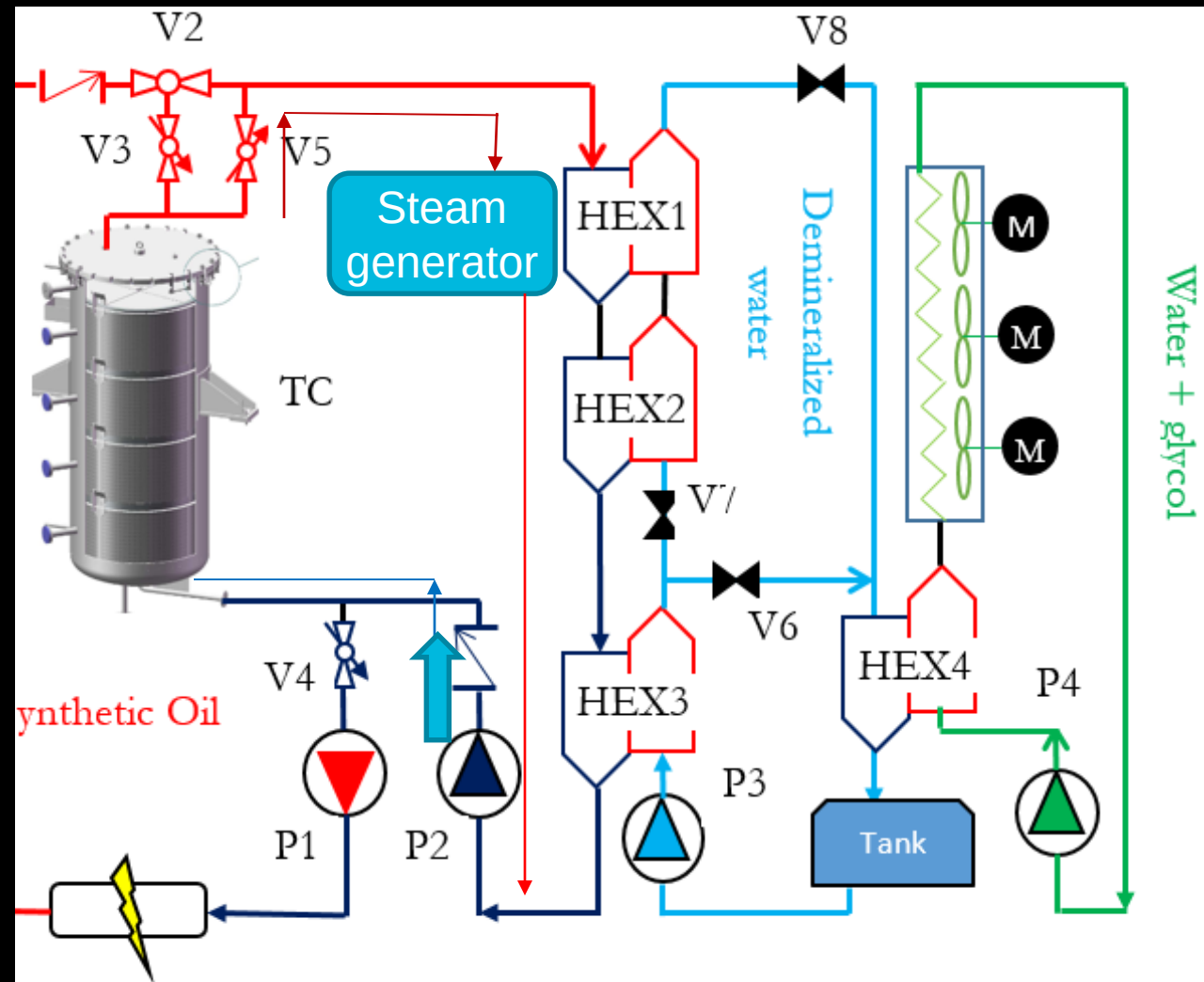
MicroSol-R -Charging circuit

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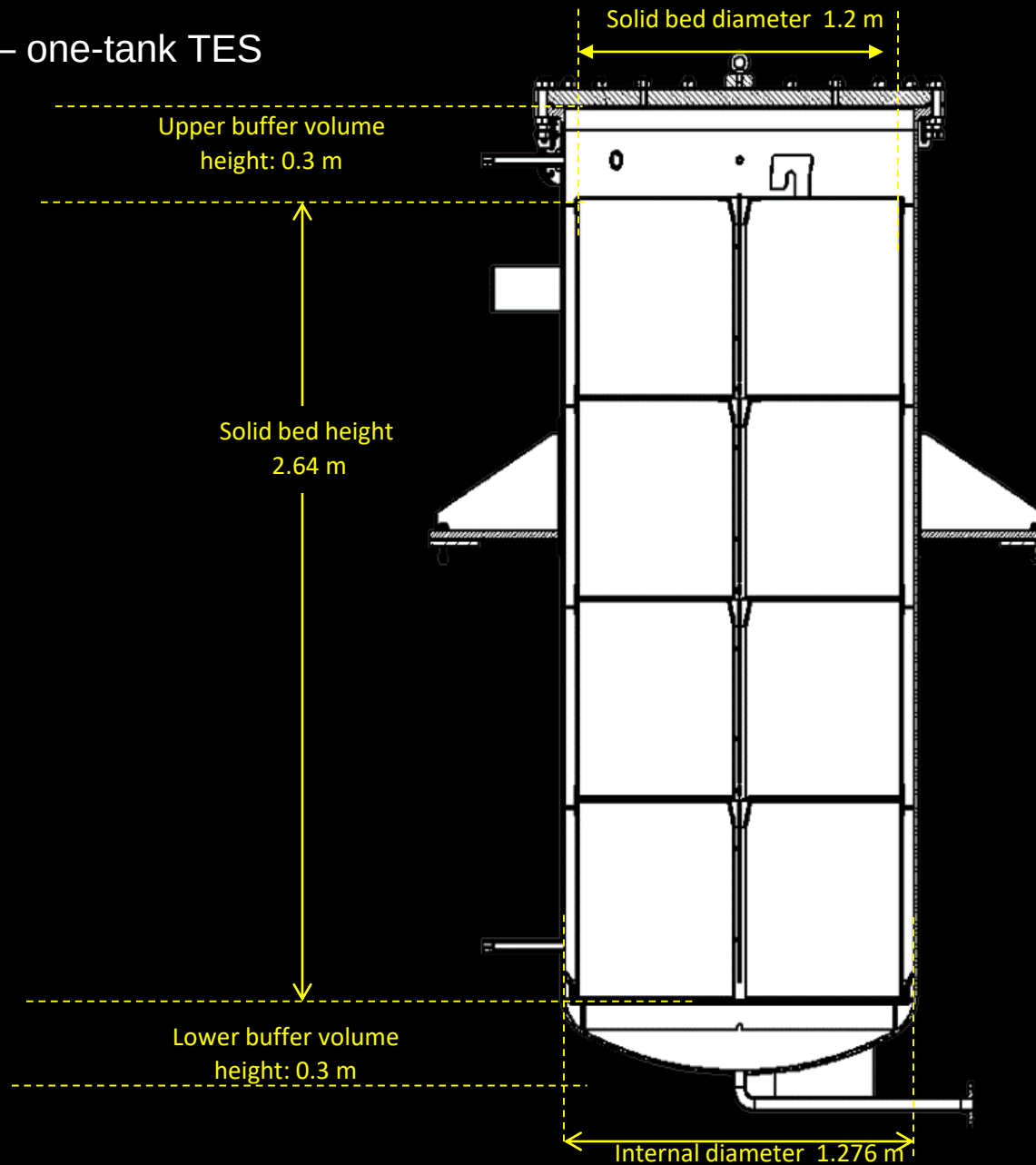
MicroSol-R -Discharging circuit

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MicroSol-R – one-tank TES

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Design Constraints



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- Alumina spheres (continuation to previous work)

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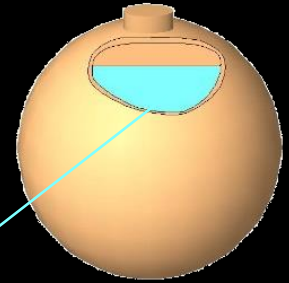


- Alumina spheres (continuation to previous work)
- Operating temperature 300 °C - 220 °C (design)
- HTF Jarytherm® DBT 0 °C - 350 °C (design)

Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES – PCM material

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✓ PCM $T_{melting}$ 300°C.



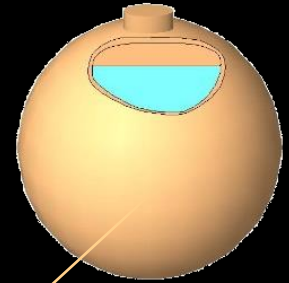
NaNO_3 $T_{melting}$ (306°C - 310°C)

[17] Mohamed et al. [18] Pincemin et al.

Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES – envelope material

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- ✓ PCM $T_{melting}$ 300°C - 310°C.
- ✓ Envelope compatible with PCM.



NaNO_3 $T_{melting}$ (306°C - 310°C)

Stainless Steel (304&316) NaNO_3 up to 350°C

[20] Kuravi et al.

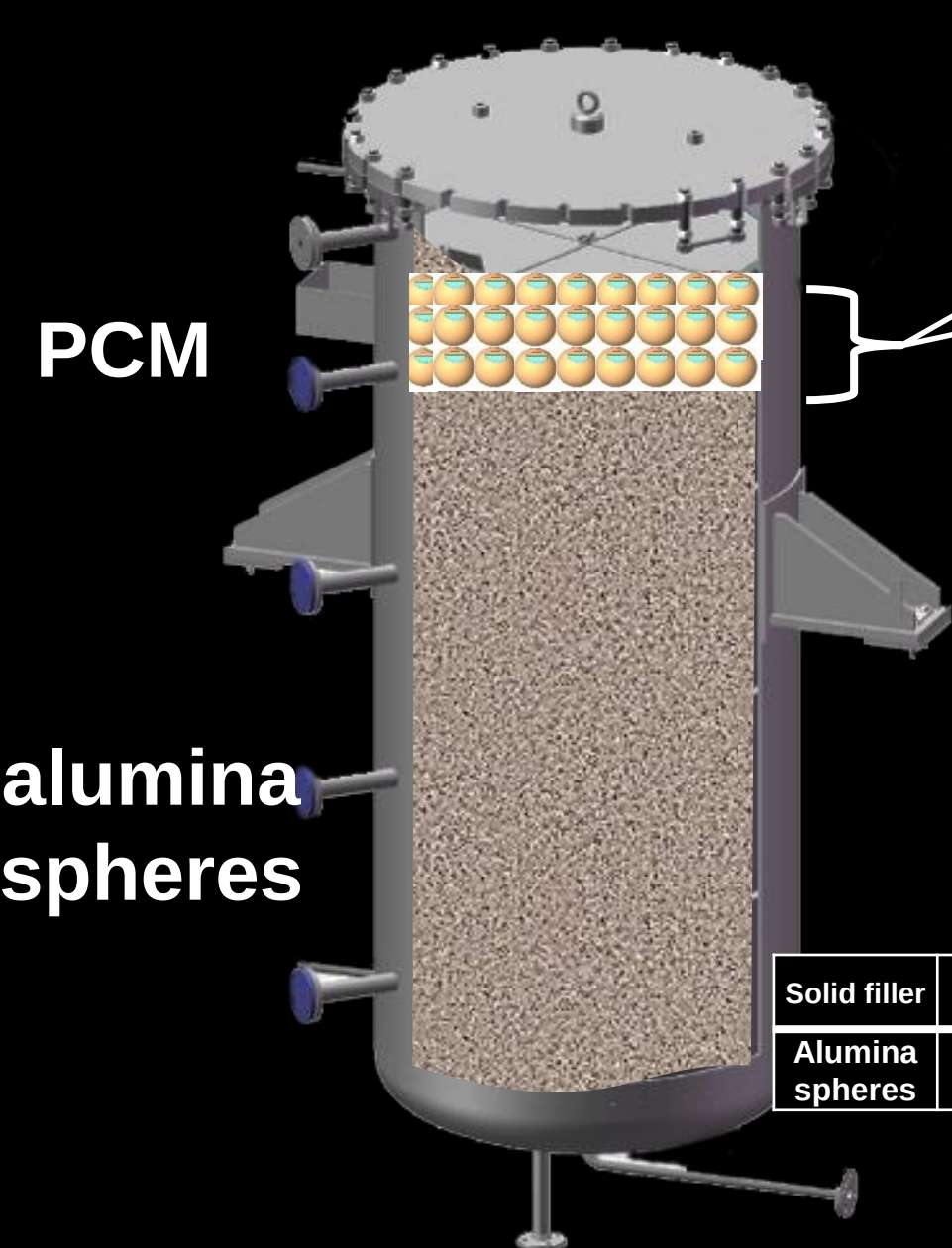
[21] Goods et al.

Envelope

- Mechanical and Thermal stability.
- Good for heat transfer.
- Corrosion resistance.

[19] Riffat et al.

Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES – PCM layer size 18

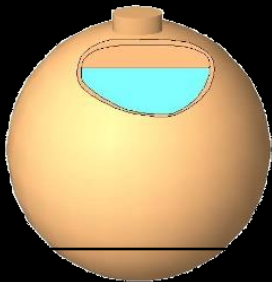


How much..??

Solid filler	T melting [°C]	Latent heat [kJ/kg]	PCM layer	TH/TL [°C]	T cut-off discharge [°C]
Alumina spheres	306.6	162	[8.5% - 19%]	315/220	296

Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES – PCM layer Producibility

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Number
of spheres

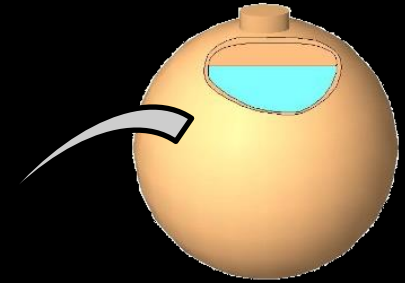
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- 11750
- 3305
- 1359

Manufacturers and their specifications of encapsulated PCMs.					
Trademark name/ Industry	PCM (s)	Shell material (s)	Container (s)	Average container size	Application (s)
Cristopia	Eutectic salts	Polyolefin	Spherical balls	77 mm	Industrial refrigeration, building conditioning
ClimSel/climator	Sodium acetate, sodium sulphate	–	Pouches	–	Medicine transportation, clothing, air-conditioning, electronic cooling, fire protection
Rubitherm	Paraffin, salt hydrate in granulate, powder and compound forms	Aluminum, plastic	Box, bag	–	Storage and transport of food, medical equipments, storage materials for textile
Latest™/ TEAP Energy	Glauber's salt, soda ash, sodium acetate and paraffin wax	Aluminum, steel and polyethylene	Bottles, balls	25.4 mm	Hot pads and solar heating, telecom enclosure, back-up air-conditioning, cold storage
PCM Products Ltd.	Eutectics, salt hydrates, organic materials, and high temperature salts	Rubber, HDPE plastic	Tube, ball, pouches, plate	40 mm	Space International space station, automotive passive cooling, solar heating and heat recovery
MPCM/Microtek Laboratories Inc.	Paraffin	polymer	–	17–20 µm	Active wear clothing, woven and non-woven textiles, building materials, packaging, and electronics
Micronal®/BASF	Paraffin wax	Polymer	Microcapsules impregnated with gypsum wall boards	5 µm	Building conditioning, surface cooling
DuPont™ Energain™	Paraffin wax	Aluminum	Wall panels	–	Building conditioning, fire protection
Aegis	Inorganic salts	High density polyethylene	Panels, spherical balls, pouches	75 mm ball dia., 145 mm × 260 - mm size pouch	Cold storage, boilers, solar water heaters, transport of blood, frozen food, fruits and vegetables etc.

Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES – PCM layer final design

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PCM vol. ratio 8.5% → 5.5% (budget limit)



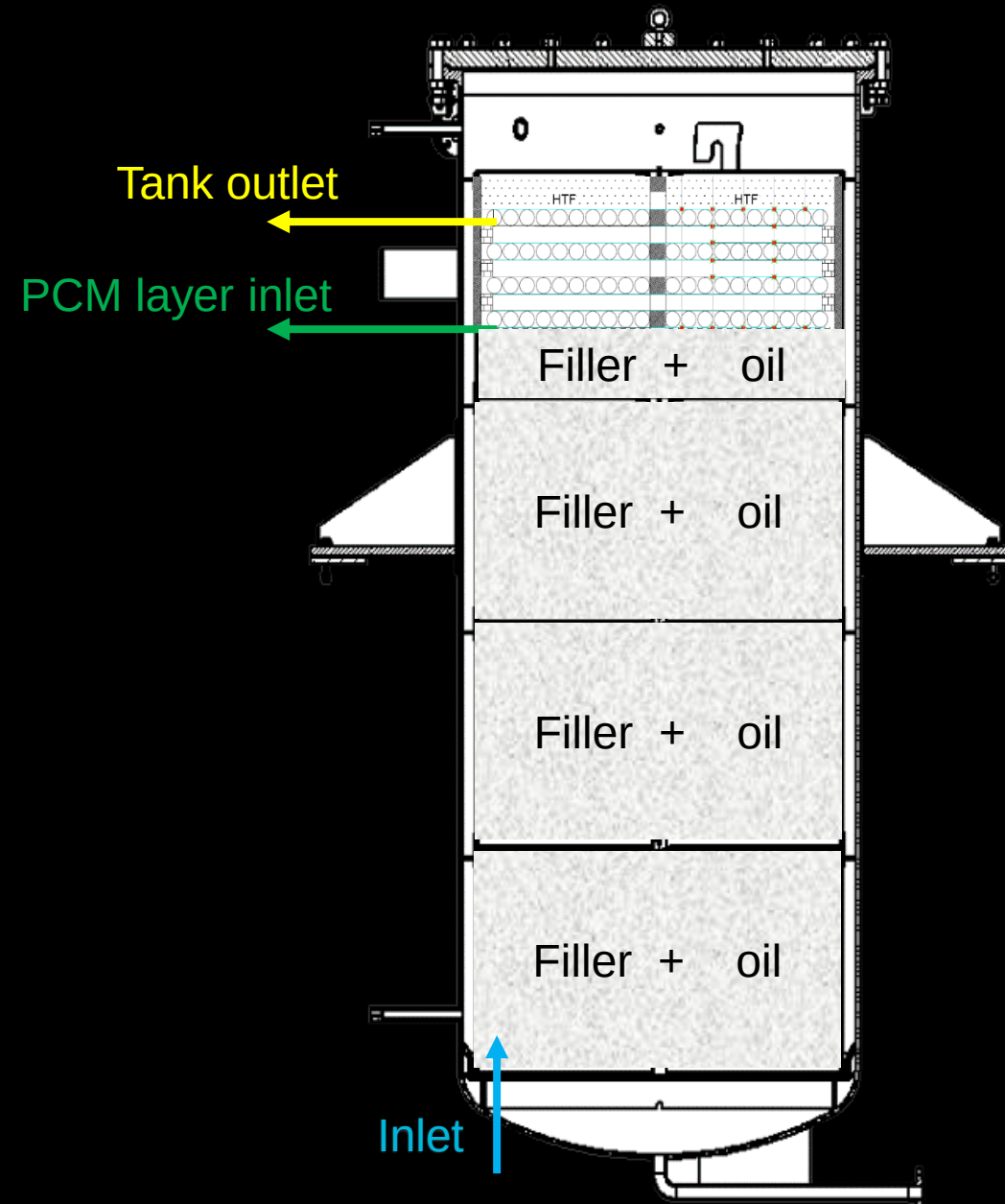
Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES – PCM layer storage material

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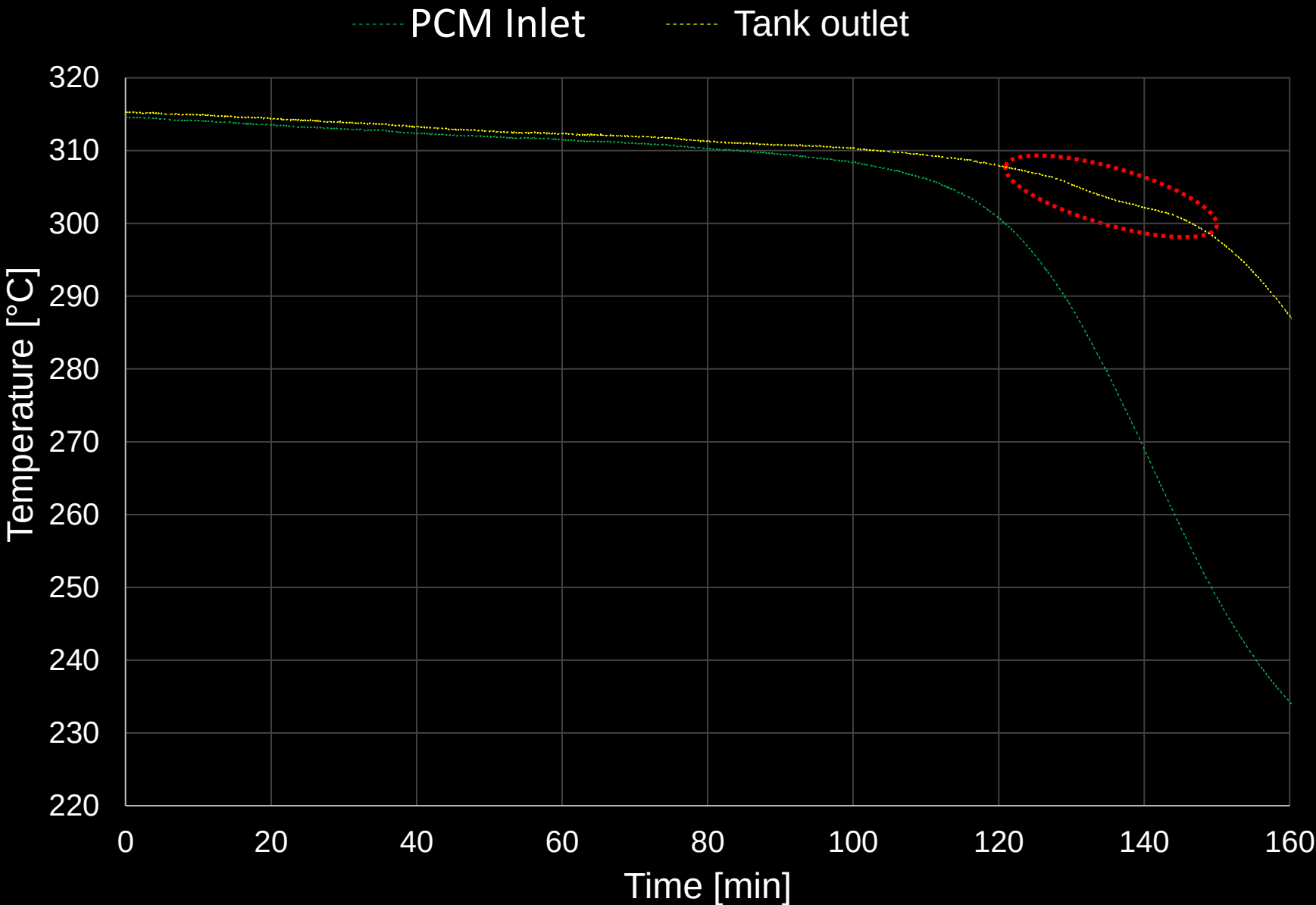
Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES - Discharge thermocouples position

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Combining PCM layer to alumina spheres TES - **Discharge 1600 [kg/h]** 315 → 220 °C

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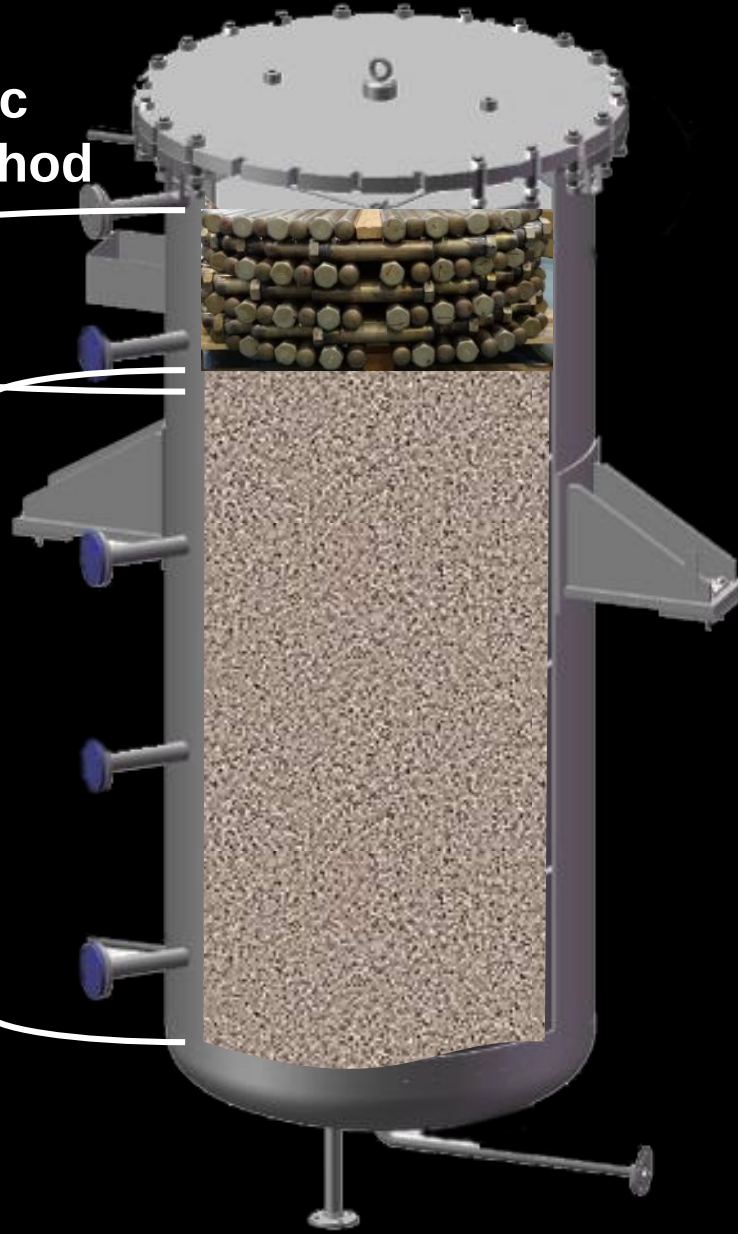
Summary

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**Dispersion –Concentric
enthalpy porosity Method**

Continuous -Solid

1D



PCM vol. ratio 5.5%

$\epsilon_{\text{pcm-section}}=0.508$

7 rows of tubes are ~86.5% filled

Tube 48.3 dia. SS304 1.6 mm

$$(\rho C_p)_{eff-PCM} = \frac{m_{PCM}C_{PH-PCM} + m_{env}.C_{env.}}{V_{Tubes}}$$

[26] Zanganeh et al.

Row	m _{env} [kg]	m _{PCM} [kg]	V _{tube} [m³]	Filling ratio
1	34.72	48.12	0.031	86.63%
2	34.72	48.25	0.031	86.86%
3	34.71	48.07	0.031	86.51%
4	34.72	48.29	0.031	86.87%
5	34.72	48.21	0.031	86.78%
6	34.70	48.10	0.031	86.59%
7	34.69	48.21	0.031	86.80%
Total	242.98	337.24	0.22	

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$$\frac{k_{p-eff}}{k_{PCM}} = 0.18 Ra^{0.25}$$

[25] Wu et al.

Negligible envelope thermal resistance

[26] Zanganeh et al. [27] Ismail et al.

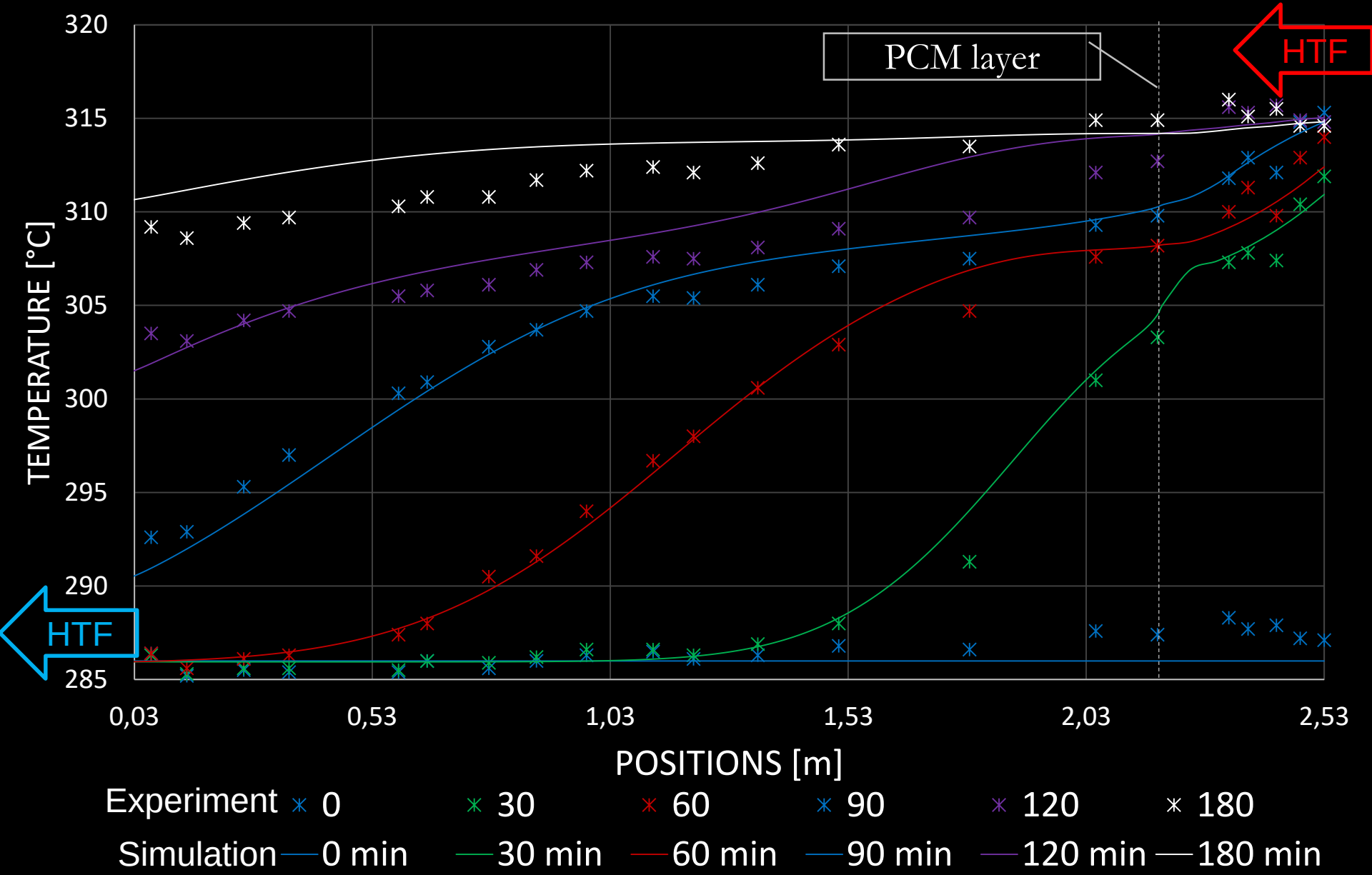
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Process	Charge	Discharge
Mass flow rate [kg/h]	2700	2000
Temperature range [°C]	286 – 315	312 - 226

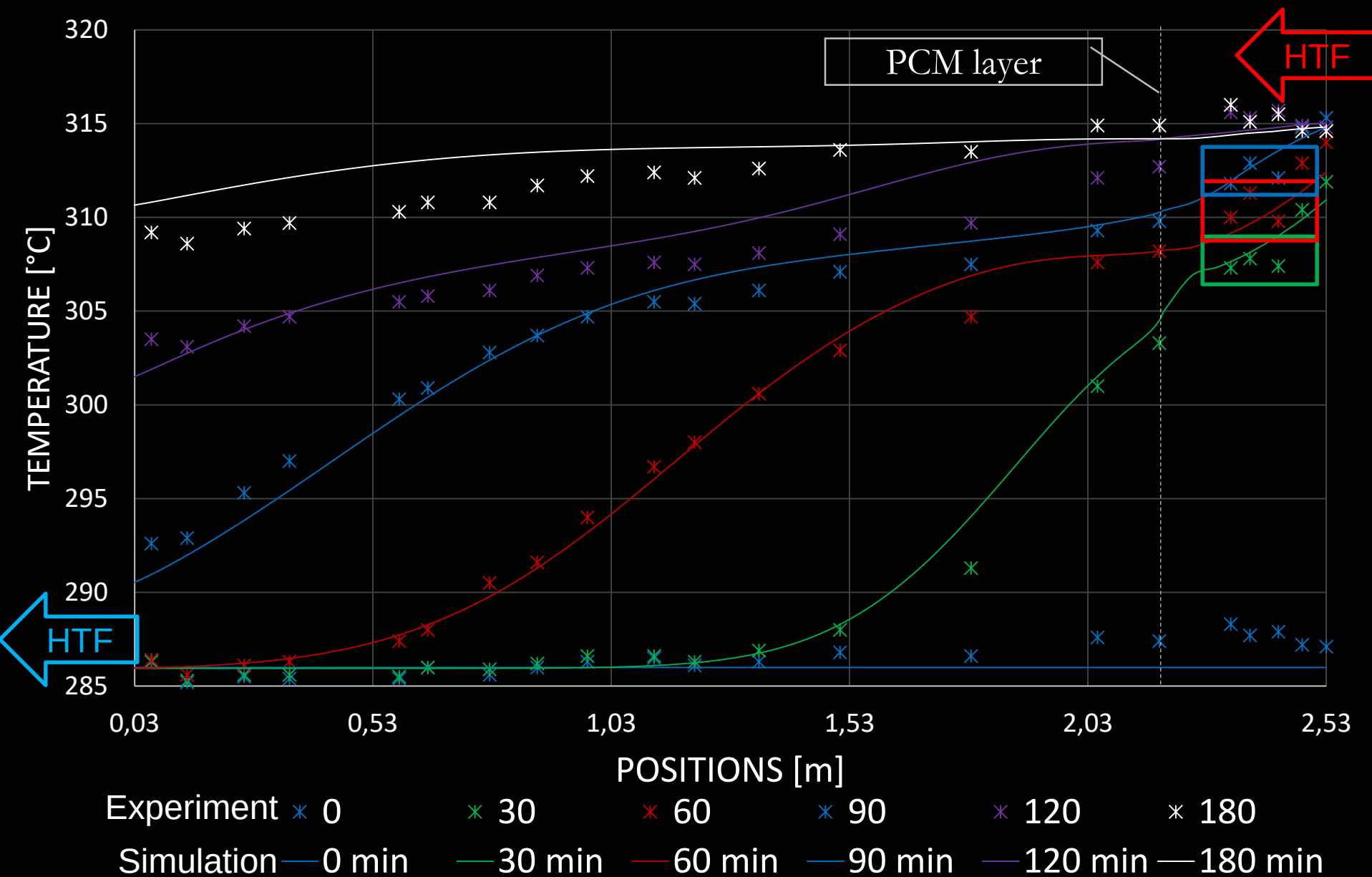
Combined Model PCM-Tubes/Sensible - modelling validation

Charge – 2700 [kg/h]

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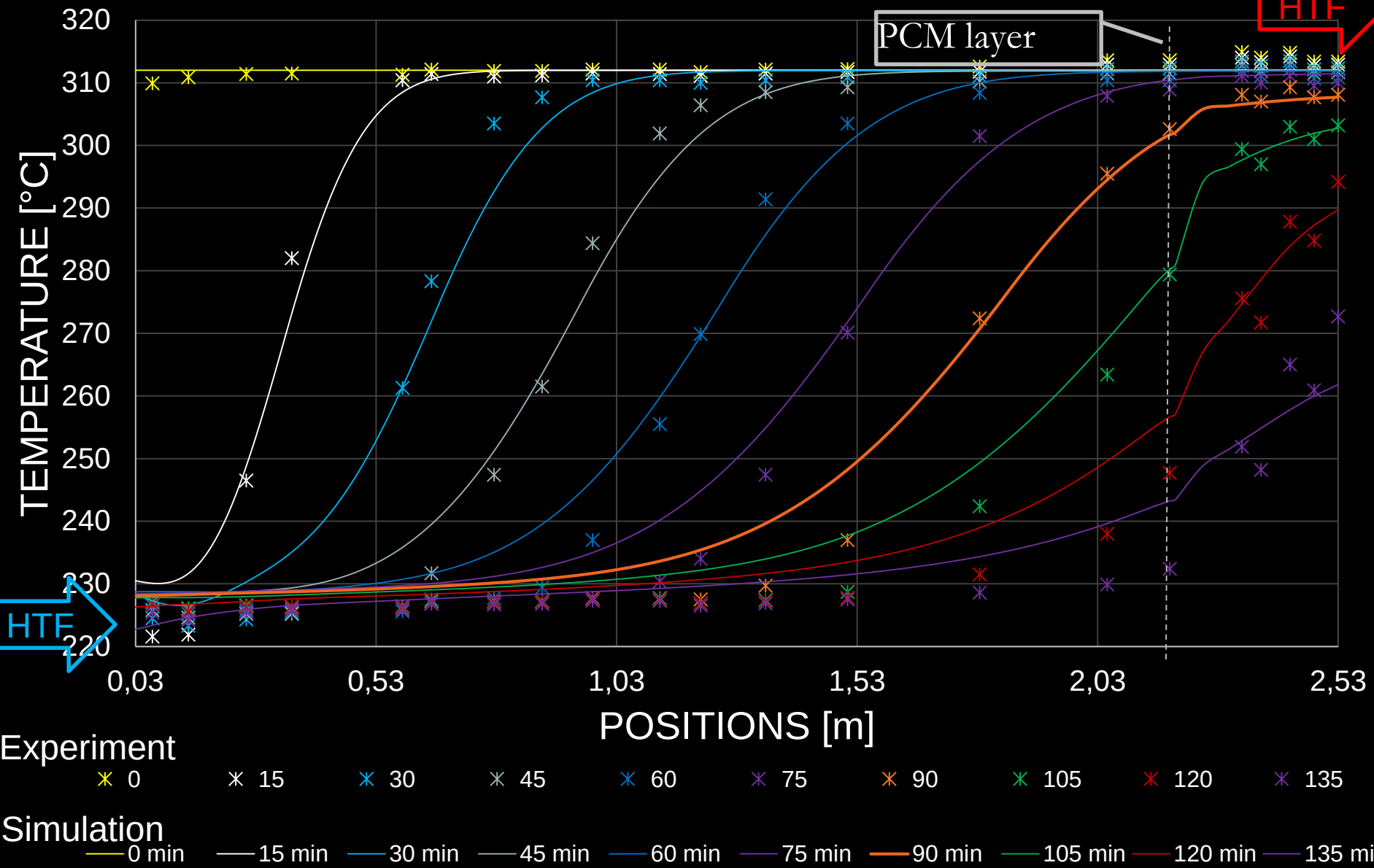


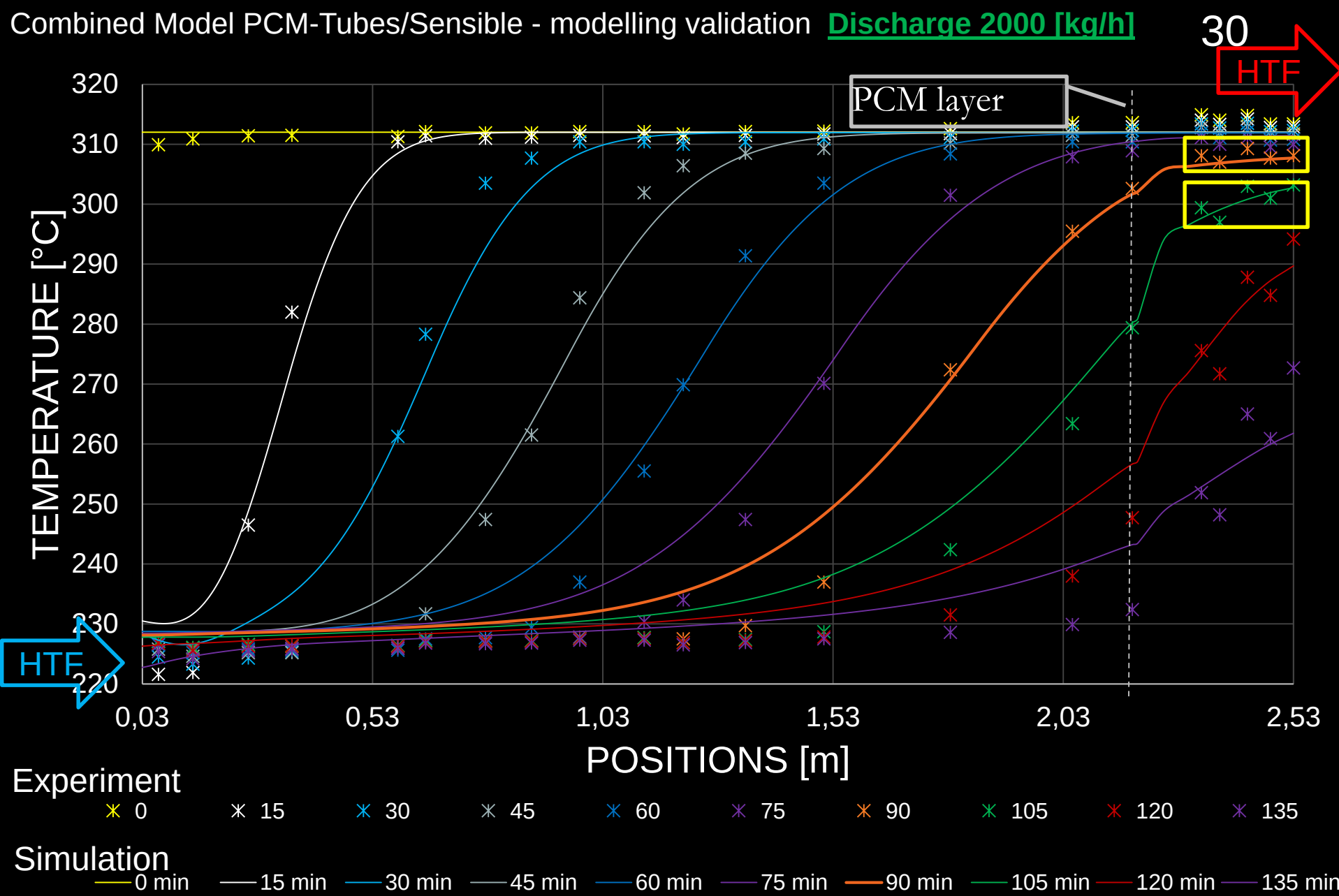
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Discharge 2000 [kg/h]

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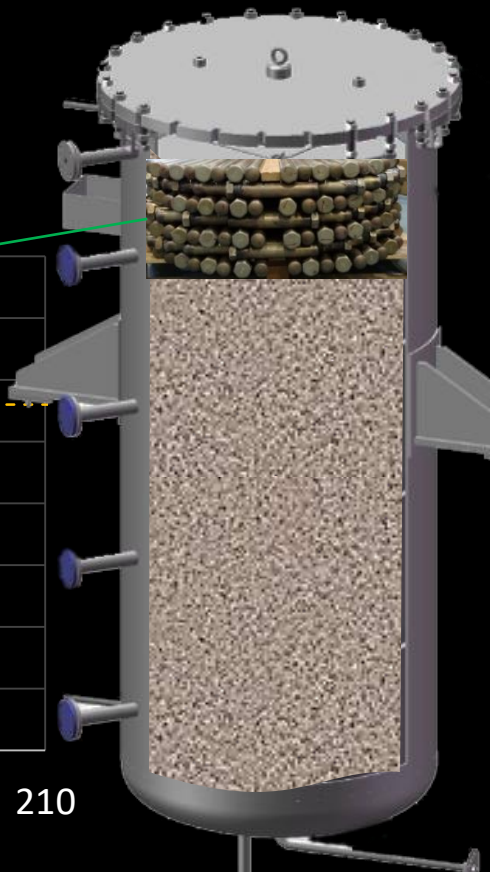
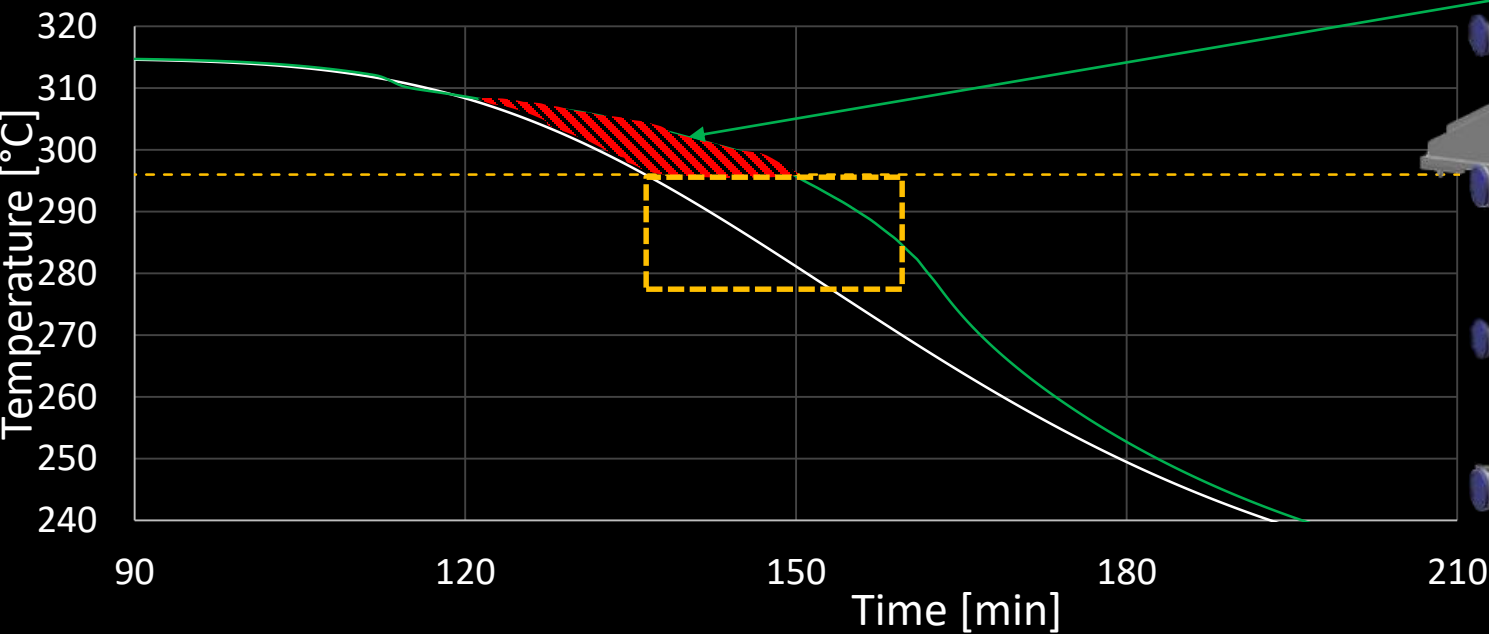
HTF





Overcome performance drawbacks
Degraded discharged energy.

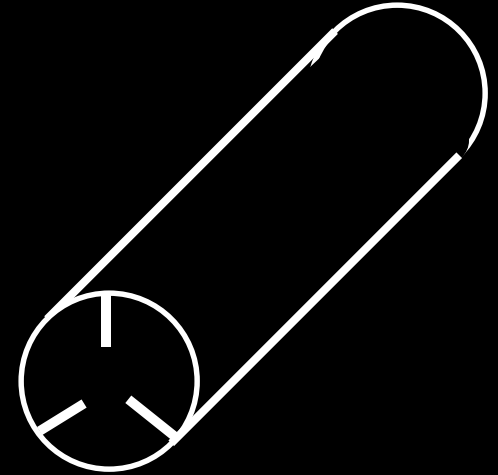
- PCM layer improves Discharge



General perspectives

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Improve PCM layer thermal performance



Thank you for your listening

Valorization

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