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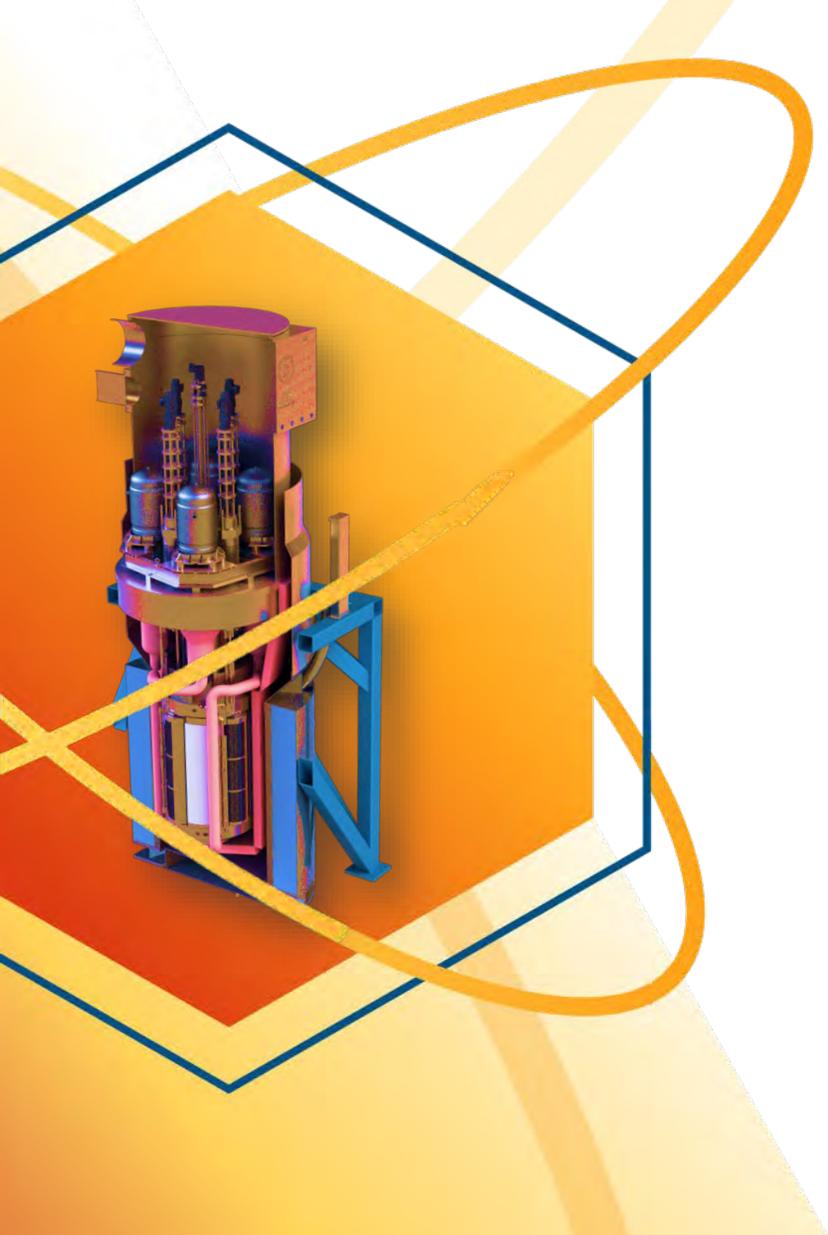
Reactor 90% Final Design & FY2024 Progress

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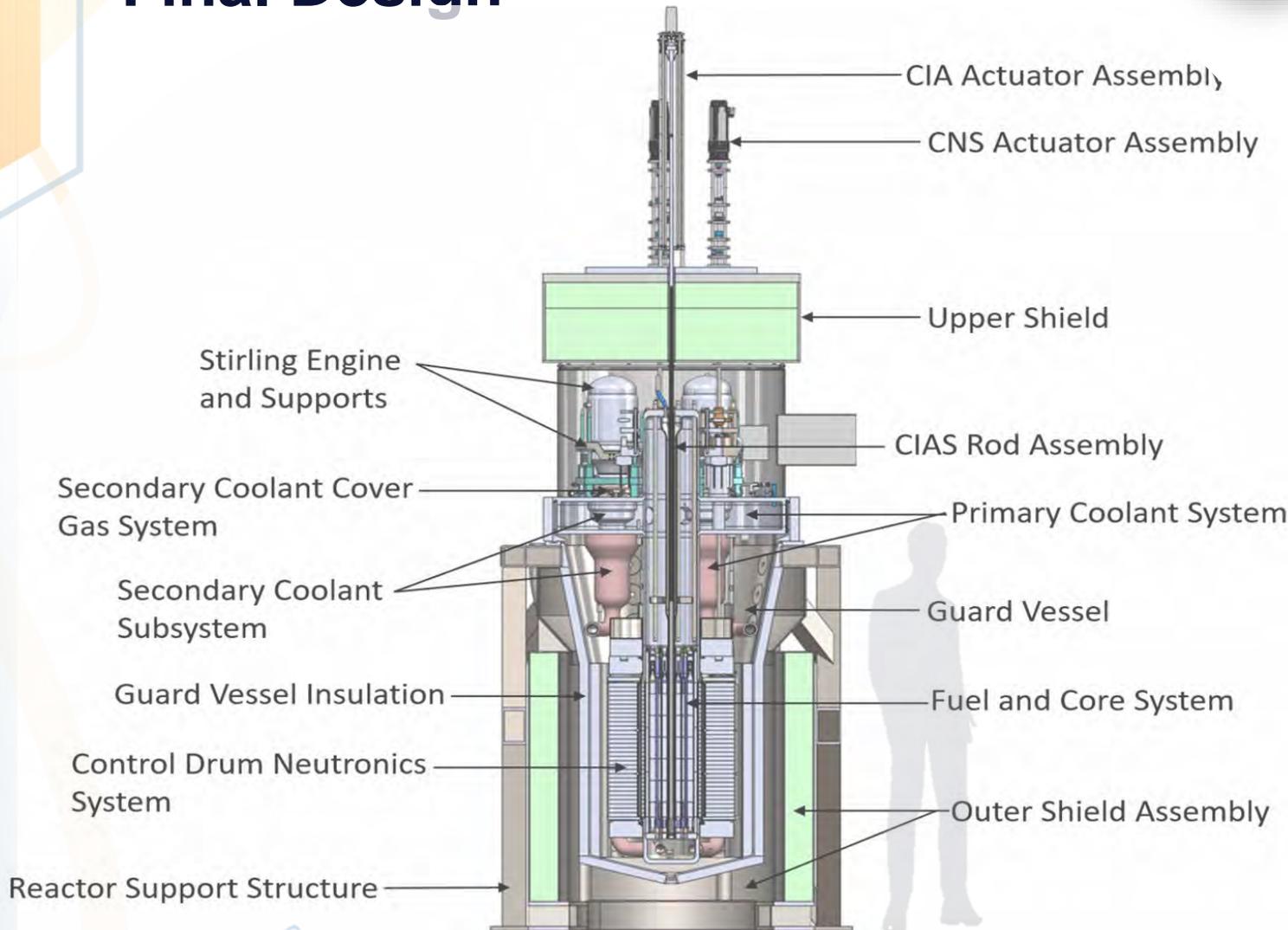
MARVEL Summary at 90% Final Design



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Operations Office



Project Goal: Build a Test Microreactor ASAP

Key Design Features

Reactor Type	Liquid Metal Thermal Reactor
Thermal Power	85 kW-th
Electrical Power	~20 kW-e
Coolant Drive	Natural Circulation
System Life	2 years
Fuel	TRIGA Fuel
Weight	7.5 metric ton
height	<15 feet



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Scope of 90% Final Design

- **Guidance:** MARVEL project's 90% Final Design, as required by U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Standard-1189, "Integration of Safety into the Design Process"
- **Goal:** 90% Final Design documentation focuses on design completion at a level capable of supporting procurement, construction, testing, and operation
- **Scope:** 90% final design includes the complete reactor, including the design, operability and maintainability of the five major reactor systems + Auxiliary systems (~250 documents):
 - Fuel and Core System,
 - Reactivity Control System,
 - MARVEL Reactor Structure,
 - Instrumentation & Control System, and
 - Power Generation System.
 - The scope of this design also includes the primary and secondary coolant loading system (vendor system).

Summarized in MARVEL 90% Final Design
Report: INL/RPT-23-74280



90% Final Design Deliverables

~250 Total Documents

- **Safety Design Strategy (1)**
- **Hazard Analysis (1)**
- **Requirements (7)**
- **Code of Record (1)**
- **Specifications (17)**
- **Commercial Grade Dedication Plans (22)**
- **Engineering Calculation and Analysis Reports (33)**
- **Risk & Opportunity Matrix (1)**
- **Current Cost Estimate (1)**
- **Current Construction Schedule (1)**
- **Project Execution Plan (1)**
- **Security & Vulnerability Assessment (1)**
- **Software Quality Assurance Plan (1)**
- **Test Plans (3)**
- **Engineering Change Forms (5)**
- **Final Design Review Comments and Resolutions (1)**
- **Engineering Verification Matrix (1)**
- **Drawings (152)**

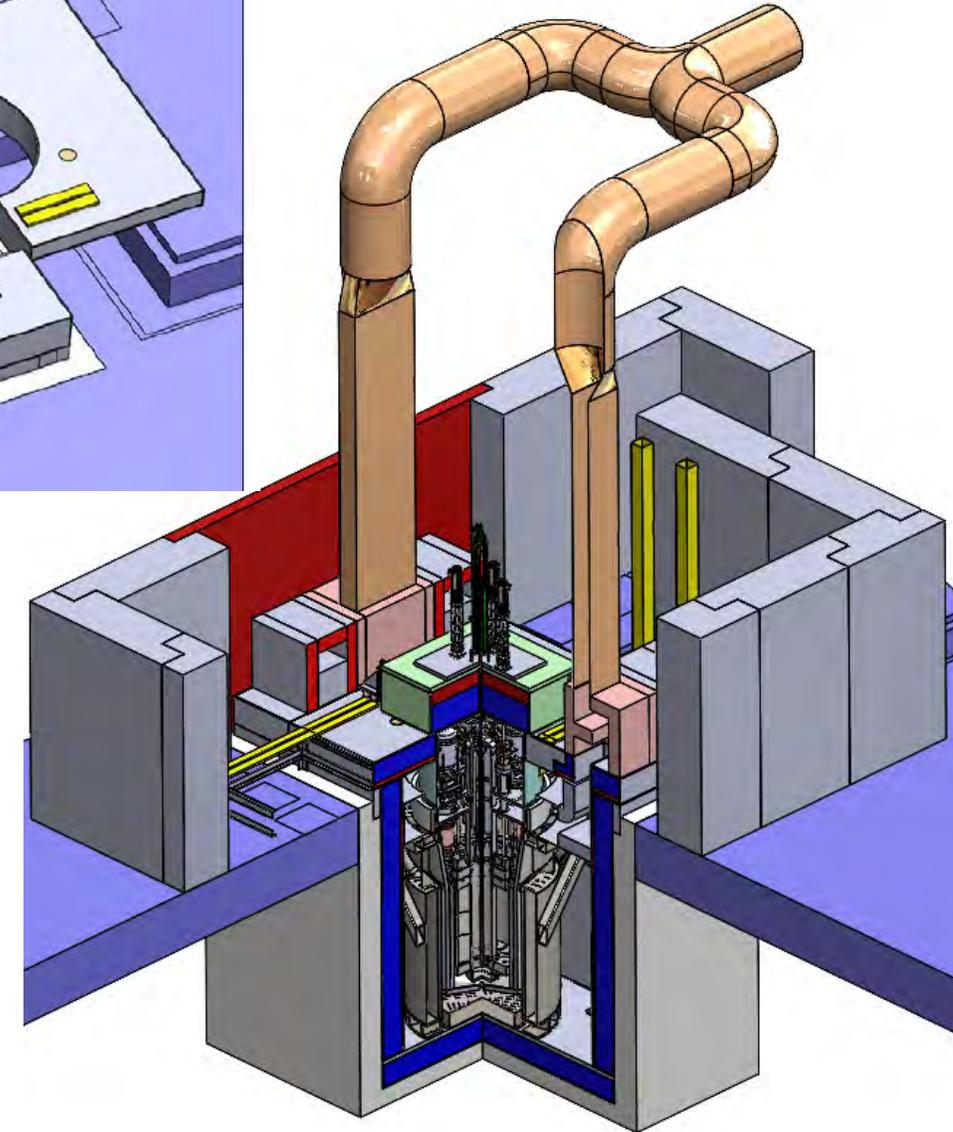
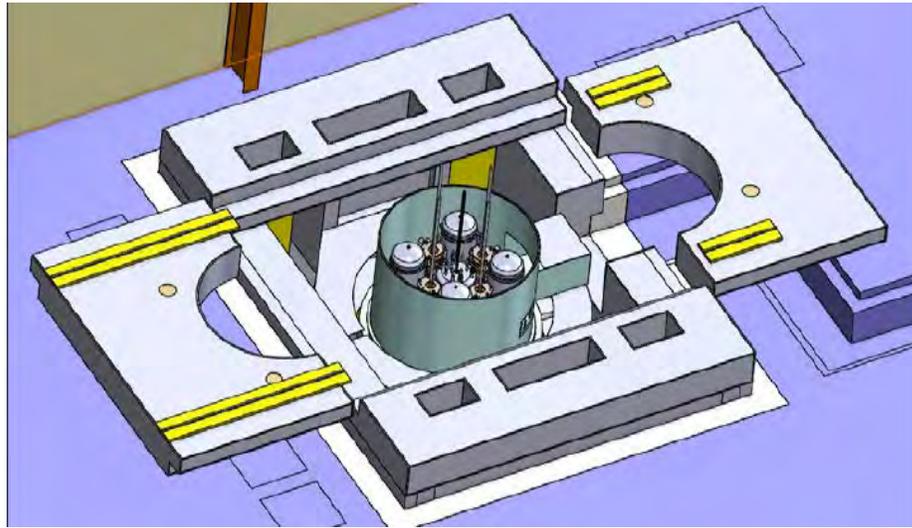
Does not include:

- High-grade heat extraction system (HGHEs)
- Interfacing systems in TREAT facility (provided by TREAT Micro-Reactor Experiment Cell (T-REXC) project)



TREAT- Reactor Experiment Cell (T-REX-C)

Institutionally-funded project to prepare TREAT to host multiple demonstrations (MARVEL will be the first)



T-REXC Scope: (SPC-70454 T-REXC Interface Specification)

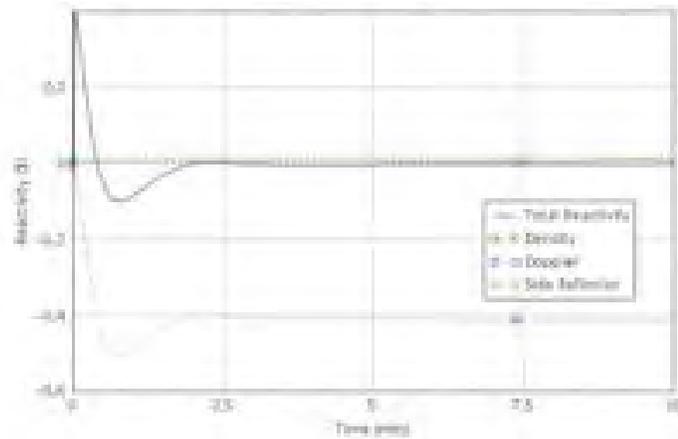
- Pit shield structures (to prevent neutron activation of the concrete)
- Pit lid, with integrated top shielding
- I&C infrastructure facility data and demonstrator data displays)
- Electrical power infrastructure – interface panel, standby generator
- Signal/data transfer between MFC-720 & MFC-724 Control Room
- Ventilation, including HEPA filter and exhaust monitoring
- Fire detection, including Na and NaK fires
- Fire mitigation systems, per TREAT fire hazards analysis
- Neutron source for startup
- Radial static neutron reflectors
- Beryllium oxide (BeO) control drums for neutron population control
- A system to preclude water intrusion into the pit
- Radiation monitoring.

T-REXC safety-related SSC design will be incorporated in MARVEL PDSA

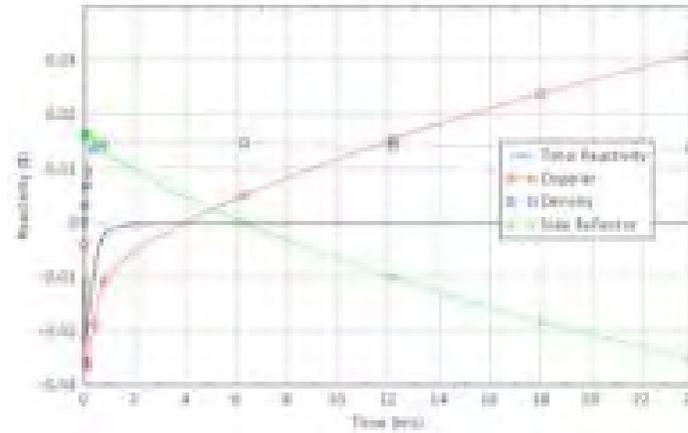
MARVEL Safety Modeling

Postulated Severe Accident Models (no scram) –

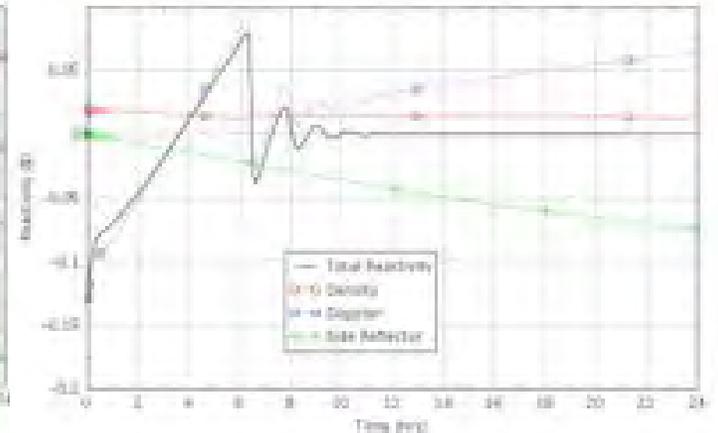
Unprotected Transient Overpower



Unprotected Loss of Heat Sink

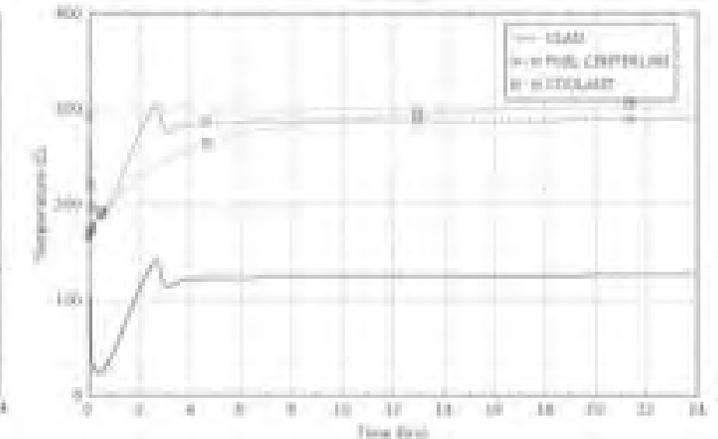
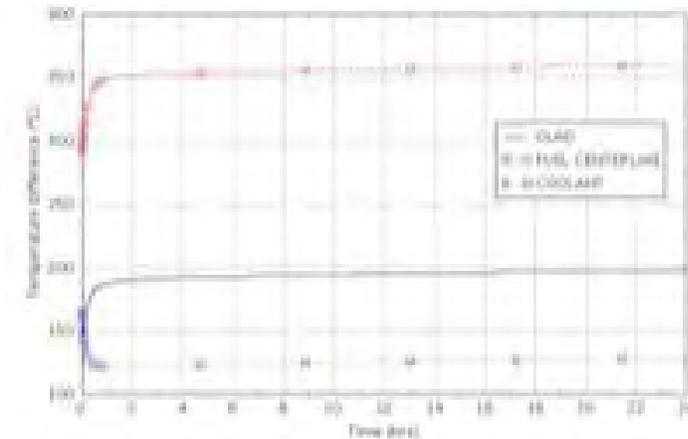
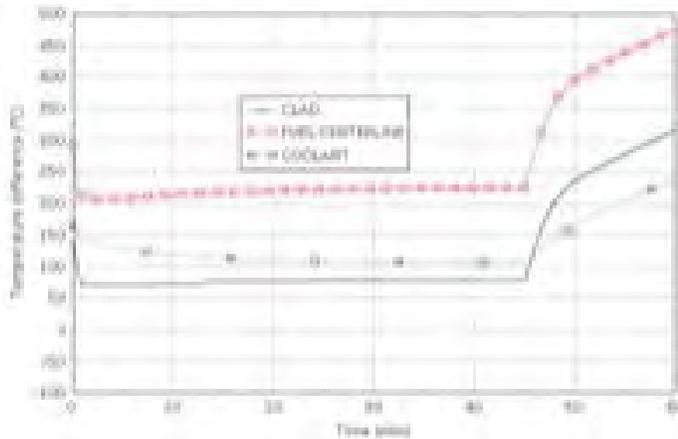


Unprotected Loss of Flow



Reactivity

Temperature
Safety
Margins



No safety concerns identified

90% Final Design Summary

Completion of 90% Final Design per DOE-STD-1189 indicates project design can support testing, procurement, construction, & operations (Office of Nuclear Safety (AU-30), 2016)

- Incorporated in PDSA for DOE review & authorization
- Triggers cost estimate update(s)
- Enables start of procurement for construction

Open Design Item	Discussion	Systems	EC	Needed for:
Detailed ASME Section III Analysis**	Completion of detailed ASME Section III analyses and simulation is required, as well as update of MARVEL's ASME specification	PCS	1755	PDSA Submittal
Qualification Testing	Discussion	Systems	EC	Needed for
RCS Qualification Testing	Qualification testing of the Reactivity Control System	RCS	1756	Assembly in Cell
Stirling Engine Prototype Test	Prototype testing of the Stirling Engine and IHX Liner system in GaInSn. Two parts: 1) corrosion testing (in PICS) 2) Stirling engine testing (working alternatives analysis)	PGS, RCS	1755, 1757	1) PDSA submittal 2) Assembly in Cell
PCAT Testing	Completion of PCAT testing is required to validate thermo-hydraulic analysis suitability	PCS	1755	PDSA Submittal

Open Design Item and Qualification Testing after 90% Final Design

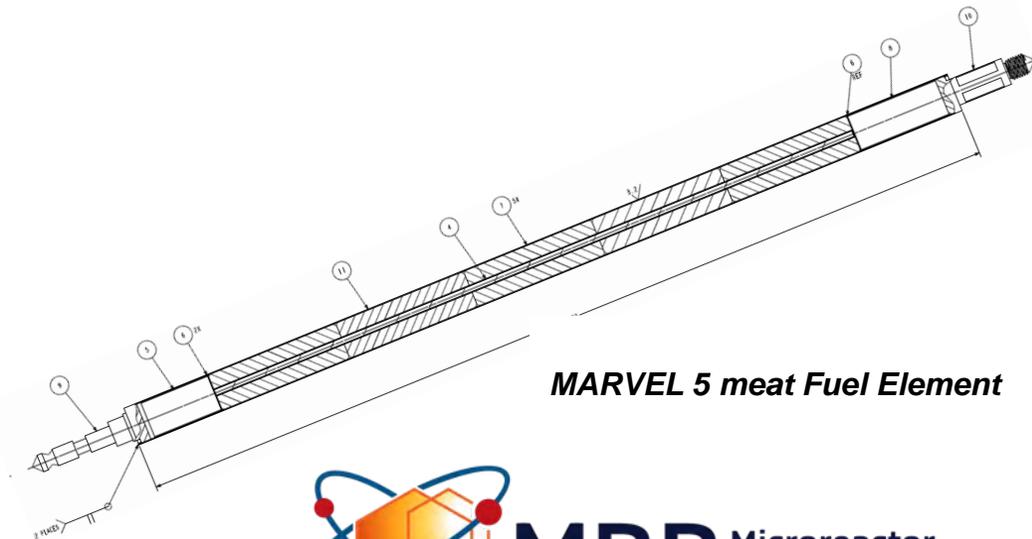
** ASME Section III Analysis: identified in CCN 254615 as an open design item and now controlled per ASME NQA-1-2008 Part 1, Requirement 3 "Design Control" Para 500 (b) and DOE STD-1189

MARVEL Progress in FY 2024

- Long Lead Procurement
 - Material procurement & fabrication of 316H SS structures, systems, and components
 - Switching fabrication subcontractors
 - Guard Vessel fabrication underway
 - MARVEL Fuel
 - HALEU feedstock procured/shipped to France (June 2023)
 - Fabrication contract placed November 2023
 - Fuel element fabrication
 - Prepping molds, batching plans etc.
 - Casting start – ~April 2024 (pending UFS Release 2 fusion/refusion completion)
 - Finish – Fall 2024
 - Shipping container recertification – under review by French regulator



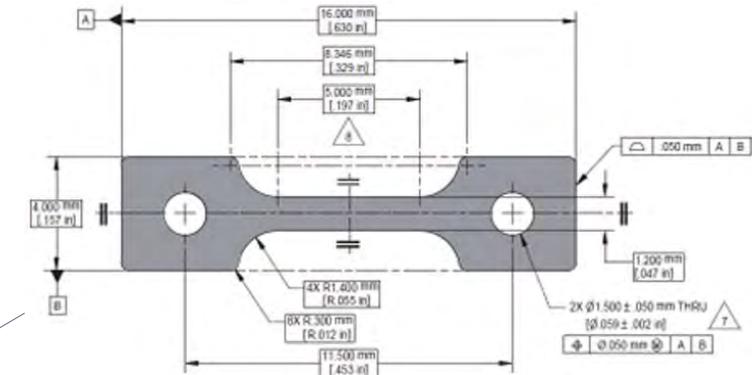
Guard Vessel Tapered Wall



MARVEL 5 meat Fuel Element

MARVEL Progress in FY 2024 - continued

- Long Lead Procurement - continued
 - Beryllium metal reflectors and dowels - RFP prepared, procurement on hold for funding (BeO reflectors ordered by T-REXC Project)
 - Procurement and Fabrication of the Reactivity Control System
 - Parts ordered
 - Early testing underway
 - Stirling Engines and Controls
 - Focus on corrosion testing
 - First test complete early March
- Primary Coolant Apparatus Test (PCAT)
 - Fabrication, calibrations, programming complete
 - System certification in March 2024
 - Qualification testing in April 2024
- Independent Project Review - Complete



SSJ-3 Mini-Tensile Testing Dog Bone Coupon

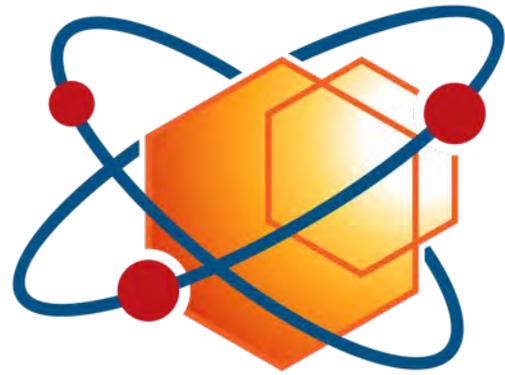
**PCAT in Stand
prior to Insulating**



Level 2 Milestones for FY2024

Level	WBS	WP Title	Milestone ID Number	Milestone Title	Estimated Finish
M2	2.04.08.05.03	MARVEL Engineering - INL	M2AT-24IN0805032	Complete development of Long Lead Procurement (LLP) #3 request and submit for approval to DOE-ID	11/30/2023
M2	2.04.08.05.06	Fuel Production & Procurement - INL	M2AT-24IN0805062	Award MARVEL Fuel Fabrication Contract	11/30/2023
M2	2.04.08.05.06	Fuel Production & Procurement - INL	M2AT-24IN0805063	Start of production for MARVEL fuel elements at TRIGA International (TI)	2/29/2024
M2	2.04.08.05.07	TREAT SAR Addendum - INL	M2AT-24IN0805076	Complete Primary Coolant Apparatus Test (PCAT) Thermohydraulic Testing	4/30/2024
M2	2.04.08.05.08	MARVEL Readiness - INL	M2AT-24IN0805086	Submit MARVEL Plan of Action (POA) to DOE-ID	5/20/2024
M2	2.04.08.05.02	MARVEL Leadership - INL	M2AT-24IN0805023	Complete MARVEL program plan for Phase 2- Operations	5/30/2024
M2	2.04.08.05.07	TREAT SAR Addendum - INL	M2AT-24IN0805072	Complete and submit MARVEL Preliminary Documented Safety Analysis (PDSA) to DOE-ID for review	7/31/2024
M2	2.04.08.05.04	MARVEL Fabrication - INL	M2AT-24IN0805047	Complete fabrication of the MARVEL reactivity control system	9/5/2024

Thank-you



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Questions?

Quality Assurance

- **INL QA Program:** PDD-13000, “Quality Assurance Program Description”
 - 10 CFR 830, Subpart A ‘Quality Assurance Requirements’
 - DOE 414.1D, “Quality Assurance.
- **Code of Construction:** ASME NQA-1, “Quality Assurance Requirements for Nuclear Facility Applications”
 - appropriate guidance on how MARVEL is designed, procured, manufactured, and tested
- **Design:** Design activities are performed by qualified personnel and verified via an independent peer review and/or software validation .
 - INL’s Quality Assurance Program (PDD-13000)
 - Conduct of Engineering (PDD-10000)
 - Applicable Codes and Standards are recorded in MARVEL Code of Record, COR-0011, Rev 0

Quality Assurance (cont'd)

- **Supplier Oversight:** Full-time INL Quality Engineer assigned, who shall be resident at the manufacturer's facility during the fabrication and testing
 - work independent of cost, schedule, or the direction of work and shall serve in a supplier oversight capacity
 - verify that MARVEL is manufactured in accordance with the design drawings, specifications, and the code references therein
 - signatory to any contractual change requests that may be flowed down to the supplier.
 - QE role and responsibilities have been written into the contract specification
 - verification that materials of construction are in accordance with design and PO requirements,
 - witness and validate dimensional inspection(s),
 - validate calibration of M&TE,
 - witness weld activities,
 - verify that welding is performed within the parameters defined on the Weld Procedure Specification,
 - verify that the supplier is maintaining configuration management and control of documents, and
 - witnessing of test activities.
- **Inspection and Testing:** ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section III, Division 5 , criterion listed in Article NCD-5300 of ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code III.1.NCD-2021



Software Quality Assurance

Microreactor Application Research Validation and Evaluation (MARVEL) Project Software Quality Assurance Plan (SQAP), PLN-6908, Rev 0

- STANDARDS, PRACTICES, CONVENTIONS, AND METRICS
- SOFTWARE REVIEWS
- TESTING
- ERROR REPORTING AND CORRECTIVE ACTION
- CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT
- RECORDS COLLECTION, MAINTENANCE, AND RETENTION
- TRAINING
- RISK MANAGEMENT
- PLAN MAINTENANCE

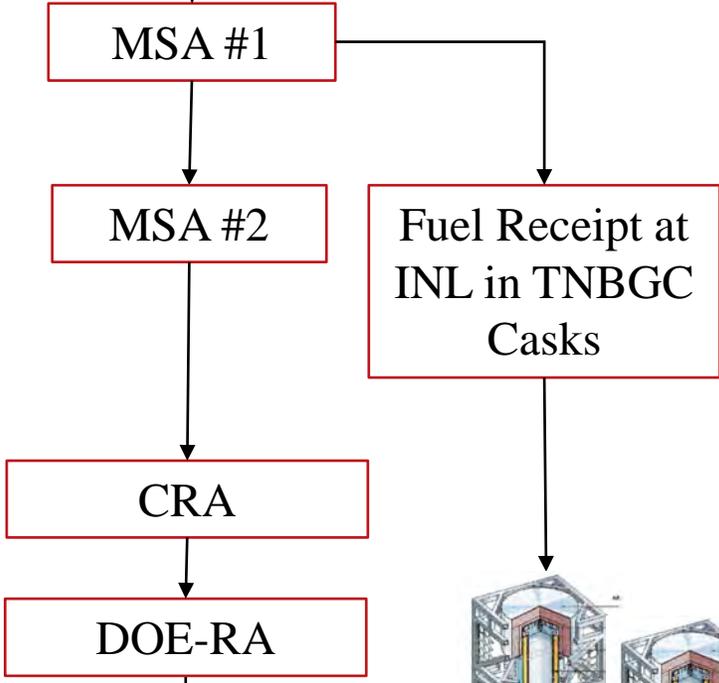
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Safety Software Determination (SSD)	INL Intranet Interactive Form 562.37	ABAQUS v. 2021hf6	SSD-000260
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		MOOSE/BlackBear Build 08.01.2023	SSD-000853
		RELAP5-3D v. 4.4.2	SSD-000854
		STAR CCM+ v. 2210.0001	SSD-000260
Quality Level Determination (QLD)	INL Intranet Interactive Form 414.A91	ABAQUS v. 2021hf6	MSA-000200
		MCNP v.6.2	*
		MOOSE/BlackBear Build 08.01.2023	*
		RELAP5-3D v. 4.4.2	*
		STAR CCM+ v. 2210.0001	MSA-000200
IT Asset Management Plan/Configuration Management Plan	EDMS	ABAQUS v. 2021hf6	PLN-3597
		MCNP v.6.2	PLN-6908
		MOOSE/BlackBear Build 08.01.2023	PLN-4005
		RELAP5-3D v. 4.4.2	PLN-3397
		STAR CCM+ v. 2210.0001	PLN-3597
Commercial Grade Dedication	EDMS	ABAQUS v. 2021hf6	CGI-1305
		MCNP v.6.2	CGI-1310
		MOOSE/BlackBear Build 08.01.2023	CGI-1306
		RELAP5-3D v. 4.4.2	CGI-1309
		STAR CCM+ v. 2210.0001	CGI-1307
Software Validation Plan and Report	EDMS	ABAQUS v. 2021hf6	ECAR-5544
	EDMS	MCNP v.6.2	ECAR-7300
	EDMS	MOOSE/BlackBear Build 08.01.2023	*
	EDMS	RELAP5-3D v. 4.4.2	ECAR-6654
	EDMS	STAR CCM+ v. 2210.0001	Test Plan: ECAR-3020, Test Report:*
User Documentation	Not maintained by INL. Available online	ABAQUS v. 2021hf6	N/A, not available in a downloadable format
	EDMS	MCNP v.6.2	RPT-14139
	EDMS	MOOSE/BlackBear Build 08.01.2023	GDE-587
	INL Intranet	RELAP5-3D v. 4.4.2	Various
	EDMS	STAR CCM+ v. 2210.0001	RPT-14140

MARVEL Readiness Activities

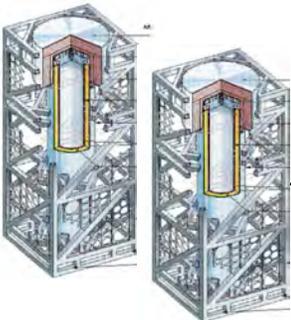


Non-Fuel Assembly @TREAT

DOE Approval of SAR Addendum



Approval to Complete Fuel Assembly & Core Load

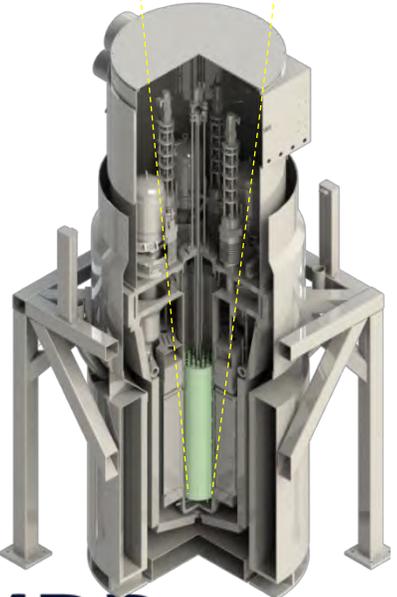
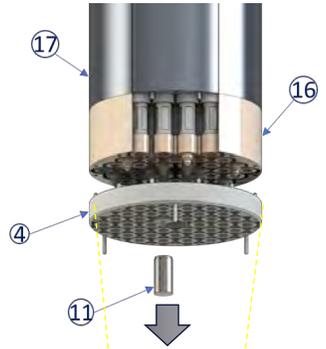
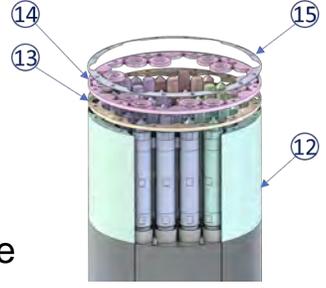


TREAT Limit = 8 pins
2 x TNBGCs = 6 fuel pins



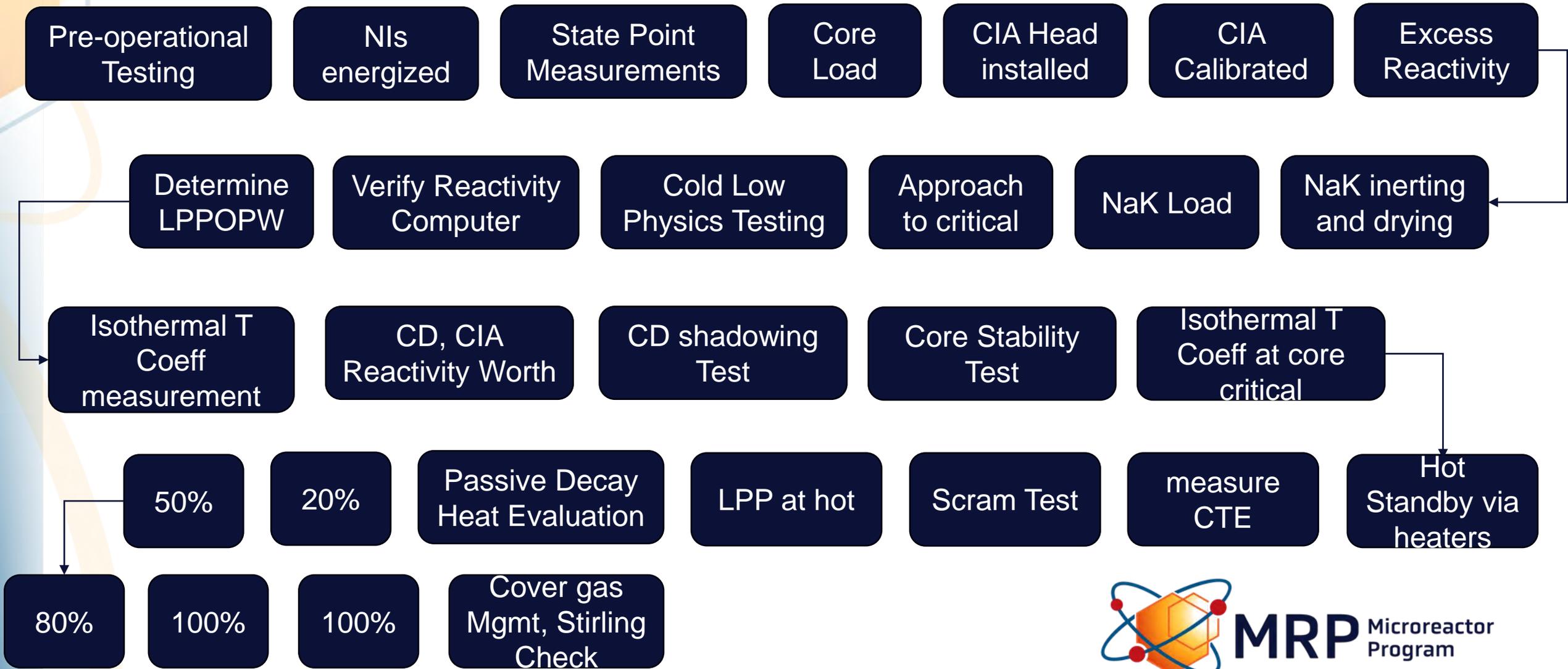
1 subassembly = 6 fuel pins
6 subassemblies total with associated grid plates and reflectors

Load in core

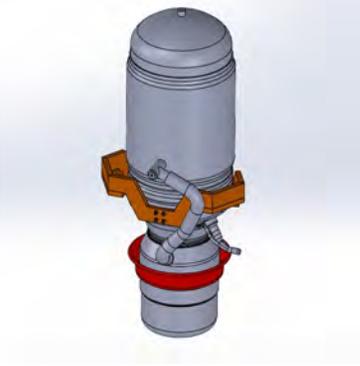
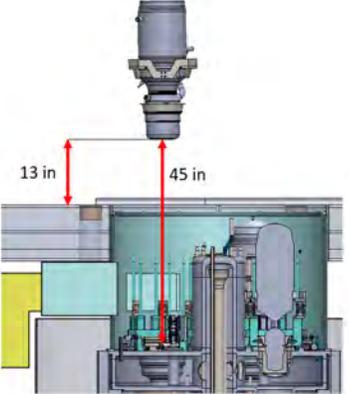
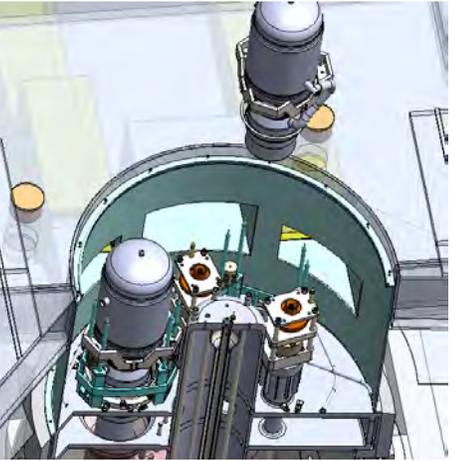
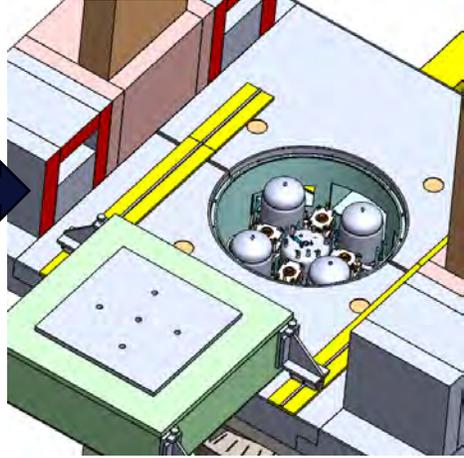
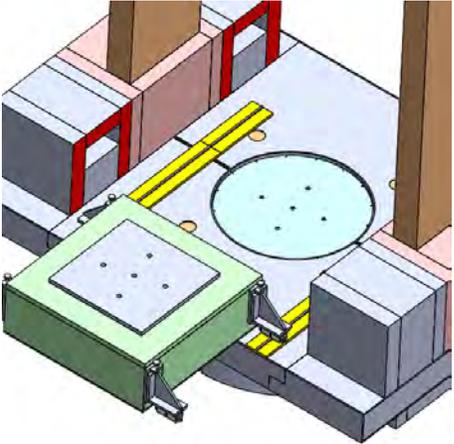
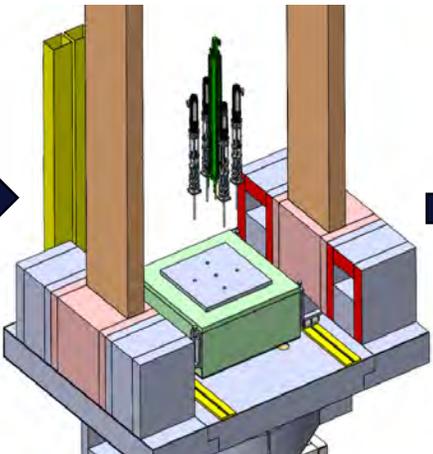
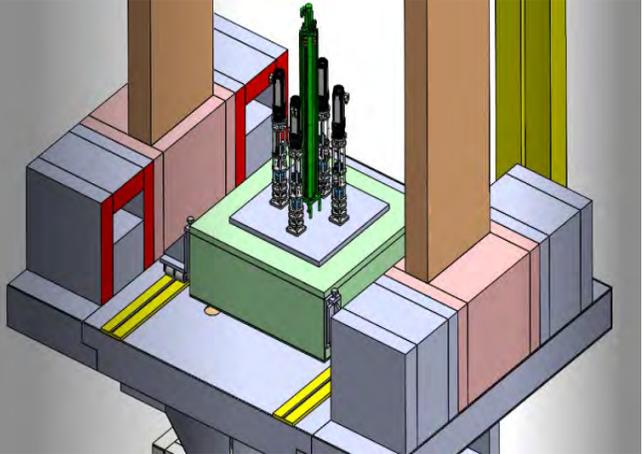


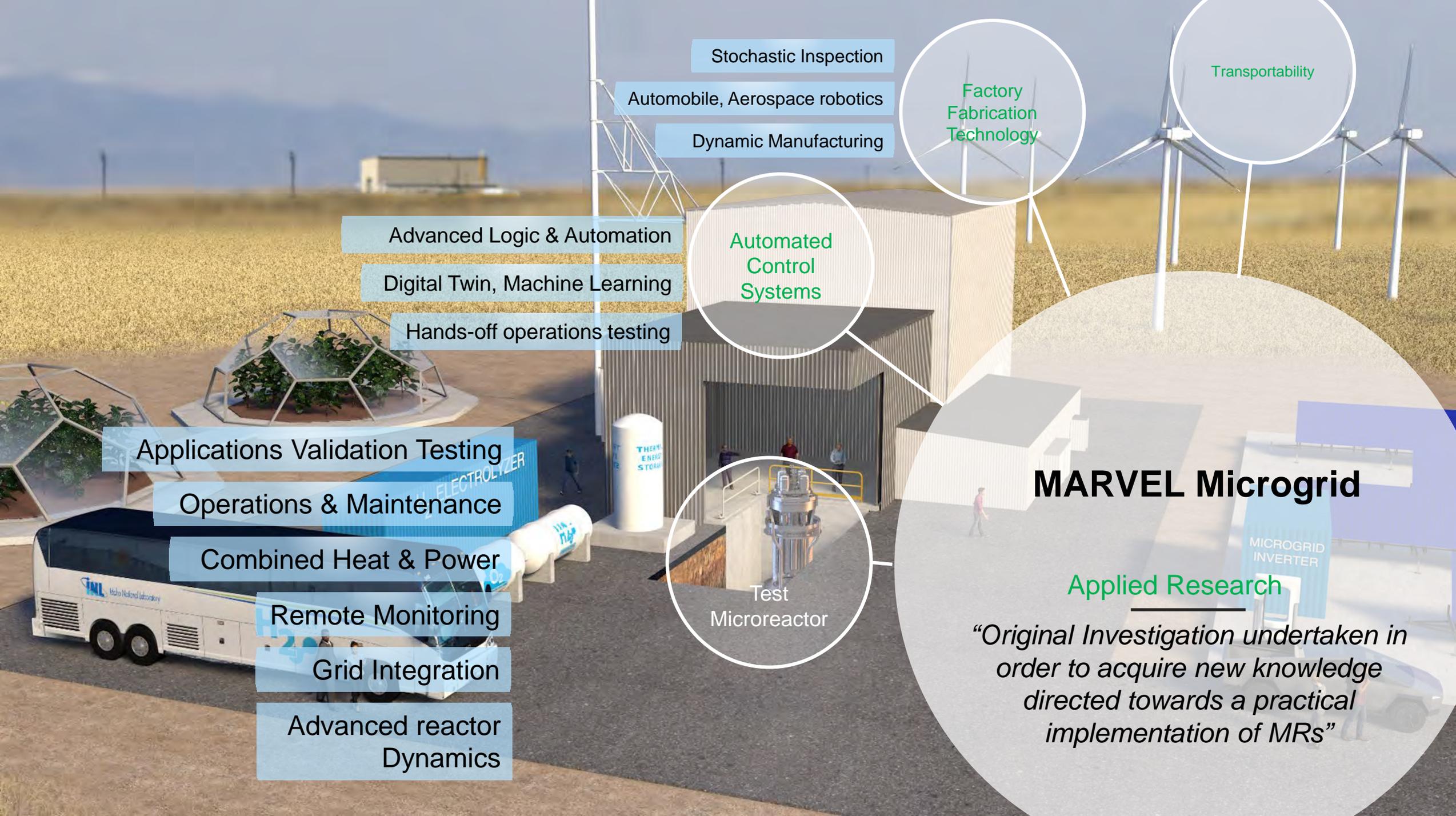
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MARVEL Startup Plan (PLN-6816)



Major Maintenance: Stirling Replacement





Stochastic Inspection

Automobile, Aerospace robotics

Dynamic Manufacturing

Factory
Fabrication
Technology

Transportability

Advanced Logic & Automation

Digital Twin, Machine Learning

Hands-off operations testing

Automated
Control
Systems

Applications Validation Testing

Operations & Maintenance

Combined Heat & Power

Remote Monitoring

Grid Integration

Advanced reactor
Dynamics

Test
Microreactor

MARVEL Microgrid

Applied Research

“Original Investigation undertaken in order to acquire new knowledge directed towards a practical implementation of MRs”