

Long-Term Collaboration Opportunities

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Outline

- US fusion long-term planning
- International Collaboration Working Group
- KSTAR long-term opportunities

US Fusion Strategic Planning Process

Planning for program to accompany ITER participation

Planning for research needed for steps beyond ITER

FESAC Panel Reports

- “Priorities, Gaps, and Opportunities: Towards A Long-Range Strategic Plan For Magnetic Fusion Energy” (Oct. 2007)
- “Toroidal Alternates Panel” (Dec. 2008)
 - Issues and priorities for Stellarator, ST, RFP, Spheromak, FRC

Research Needs Workshops (ReNeW):

Identify initiatives and actions, elements for strategic plan

- MFE (now – June 2009)

Research Needs 'Themes'

1. Burning plasma in ITER

Control; Measurements; Off-normal events; Alpha-effects;
Reactor conditions; Self-heating

2. High-Performance Steady State

Off-normal events; Integrated high-performance; Predictive modeling; Measurements; Control; Magnets; Aux systems

3. Plasma Material Interface

Plasma facing components; Plasma wall interactions; Internal components

4. Fusion Power

Materials; Fuel cycle; Power extraction; Safety; RAMI

5. Magnetic Configuration Optimization

Stellarator; ST; RFP; FRC; Compact tori

— *Ordered by priority for themes 2, 3, & 4*

International Collaboration WG

Evaluate and prioritize the opportunities for US collaboration on EAST, KSTAR, JET, and JT60SA to prepare for US participation on ITER and to address the issues and gaps discussed in the recent report "Issues, Gaps, and Opportunities: Towards a Long-Range Strategic Plan for Magnetic Fusion Energy", DOE-SC-0102. Report before the Resource Needs Workshop, planned for June 2009.

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Likely Roles for KSTAR

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What must we learn?

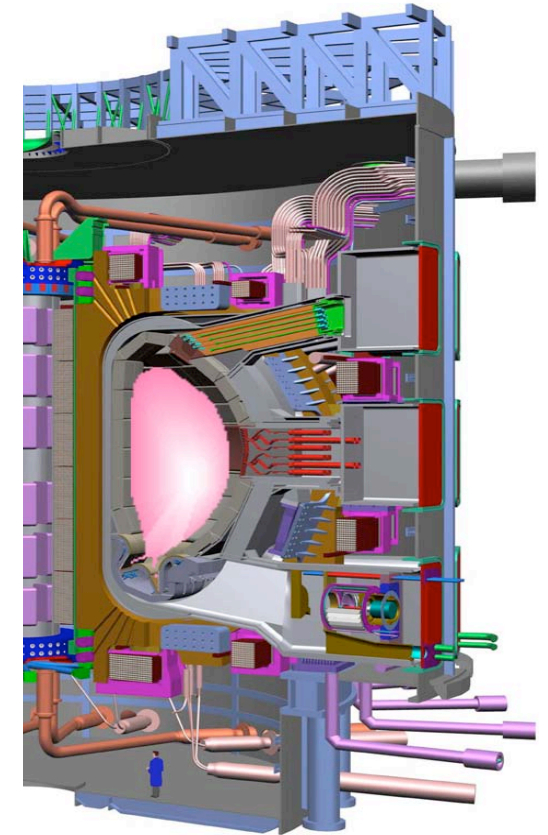
ITER: 500 MW for 400s, gain > 10

- Extension of ITER scenarios to long-pulse
- Control with superconducting coils

DEMO: ~2500 MW, continuous, gain > 25,
~ same size and field.

- Higher pressure, by at least factor of ~2.2
- Steady state with little externally driven current
No inductive current
- Essentially no disruptions or ELMs
- Stable confinement of fusion produced α -particles
- Compatible divertor operation
- Steady state high heat flux plasma facing components

Demonstrate reliability and potential for attractive economics



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