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Steam Generating Heat Pumps Webinar

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18 March 2024

13:30 Introduction C. Arpagaus

13:45 Dennis Roskosch

CO₂-neutral process steam for industry: Model-based analysis of technologies and strategies

14:05 C. Latham & M. Vandevoorde

Transforming air compressor energy into process value for steam compression

14:25 Ch. Schlemminger & M. Bantle

Integration of a 1.6 MW steam supplying heat pump into the feed production process

14:45 Martin Pihl Andersen

Testing and modelling of a steam-generating heat pump at up to 175 °C (SuPrHeat project)

10 min break

15:15 Wouter de Vries

Demonstration of a full-scale industrial heat pump producing steam above 140 °C

15:35 Mogens Weel

High temperature heat pump test result and further development of high speed centrifugal compressors for steam production

15:55 Hans Madsbøll

Steam compressor technology and development: a general overview

16:15 Arne Høeg

Decarbonizing industry with stirling-cycle steam generating heat pumps

16:35 Wrap-up & Conclusions

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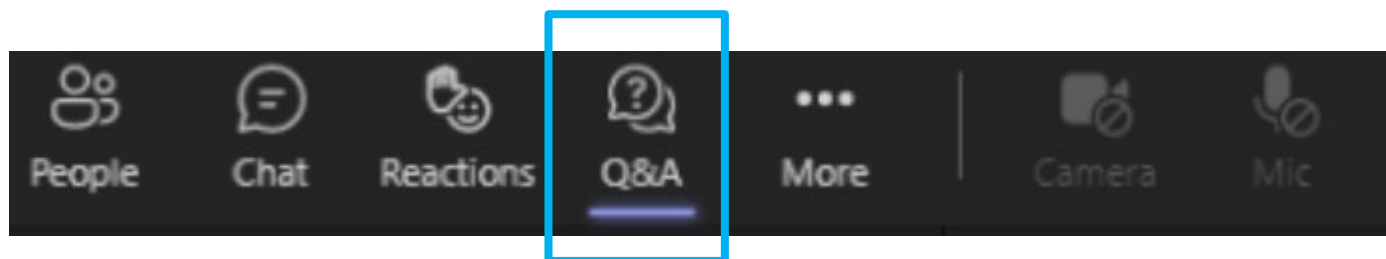
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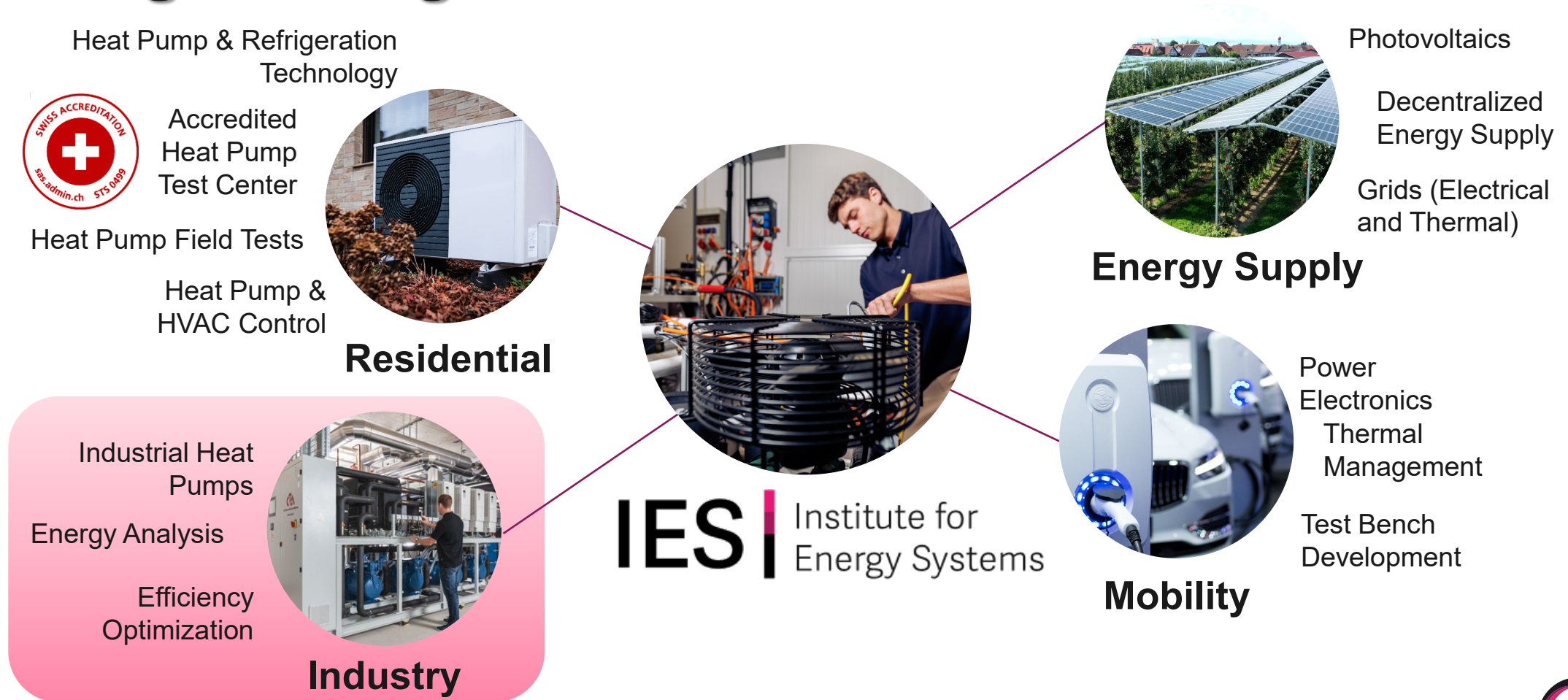
Heat pump test center (WPZ) at OST in Buchs, Switzerland



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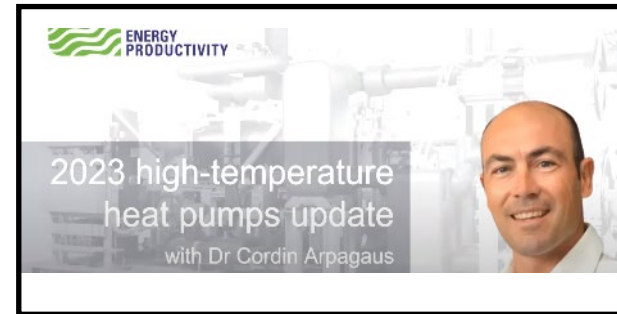
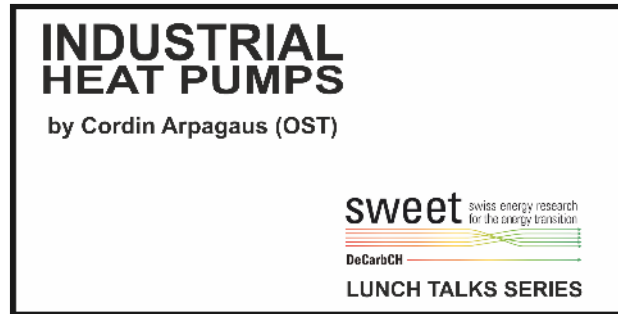
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YouTube Videos on High-Temperature Heat Pumps

~ 70 participants



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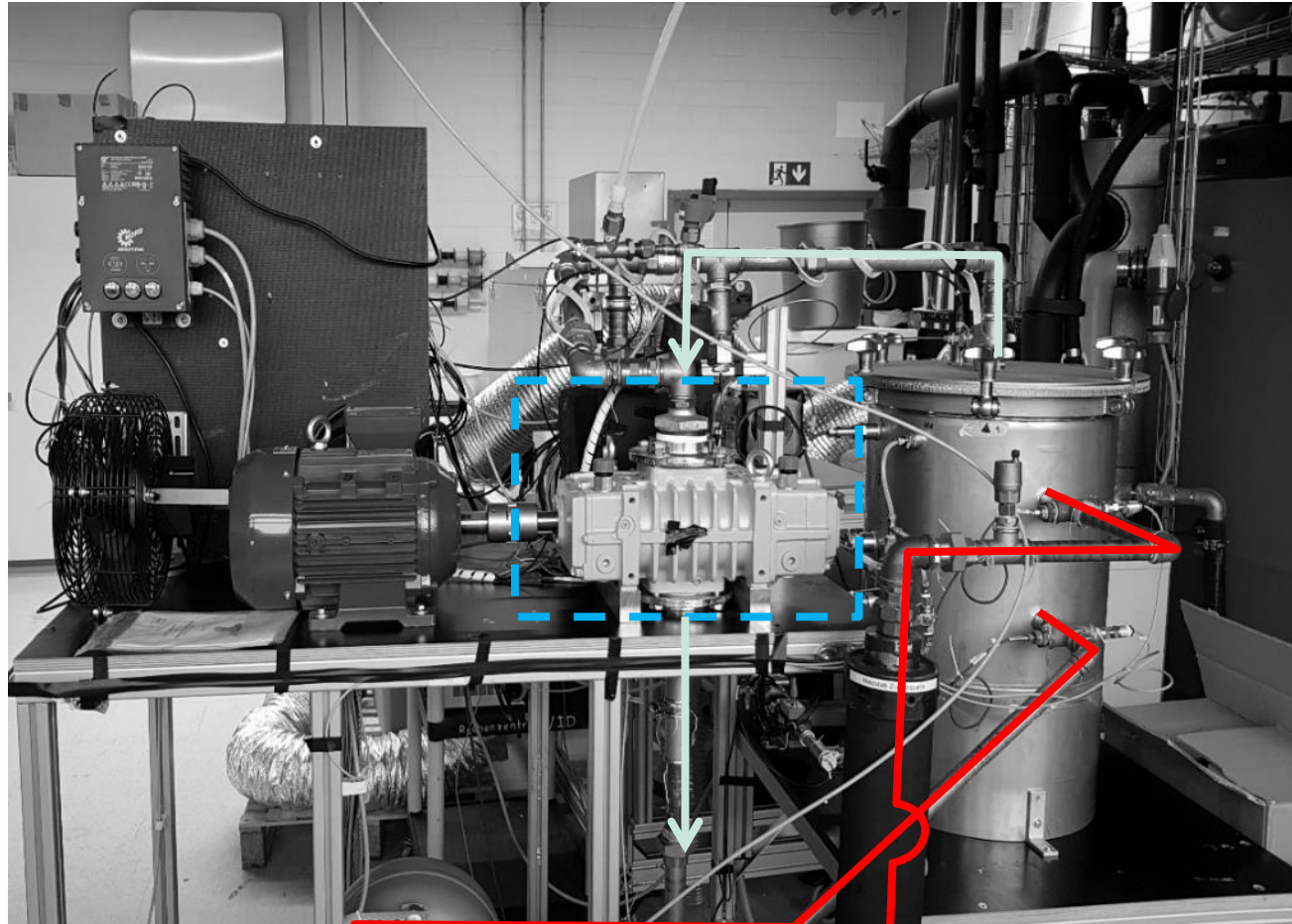


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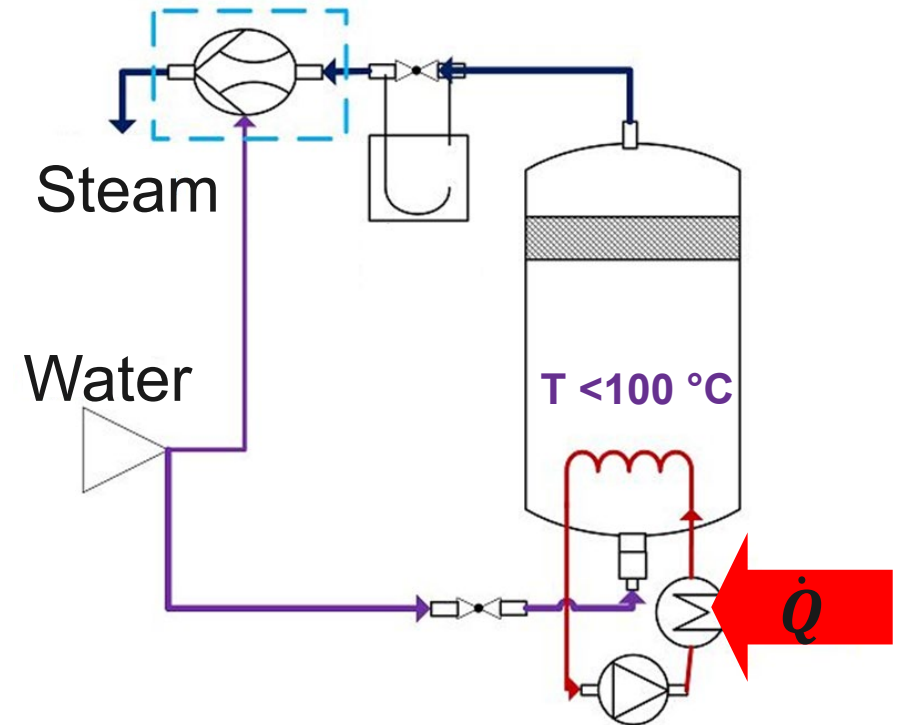


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Prototype for steam generation from waste heat

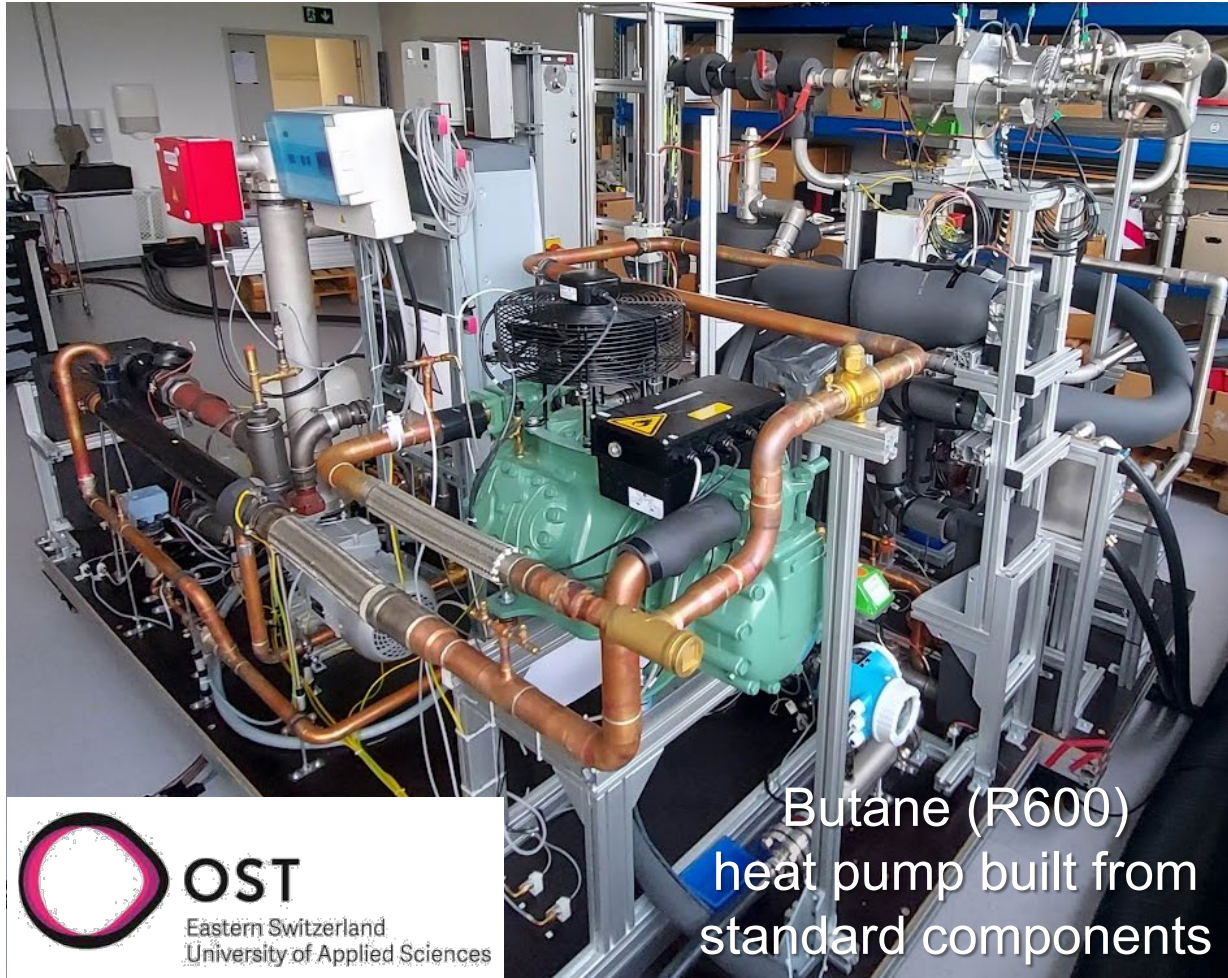


- Steam generating heat pump with an open water circuit
- 34.2 kg/h steam at 115 °C
- **Proof of concept**

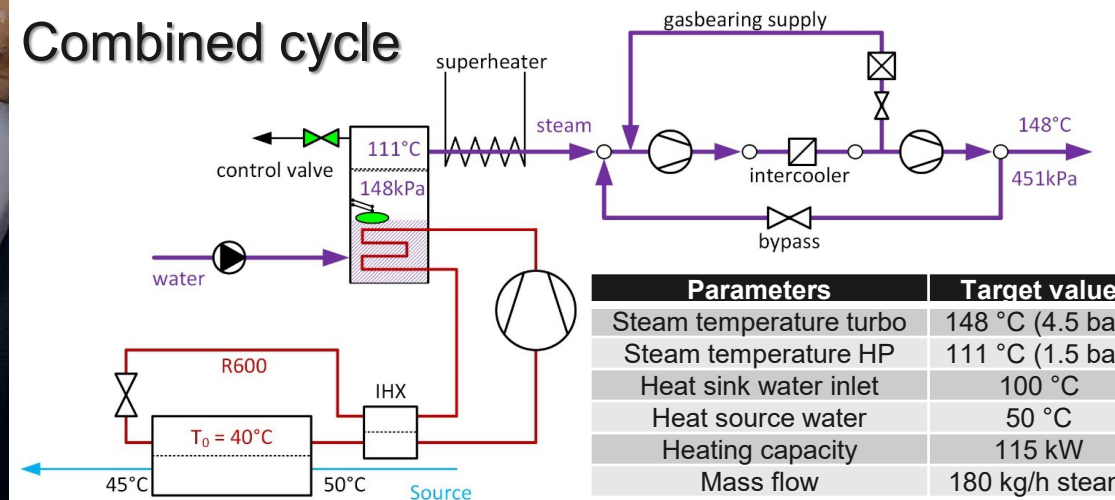


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R600/R718 (Butane/Water) Steam generating heat pump

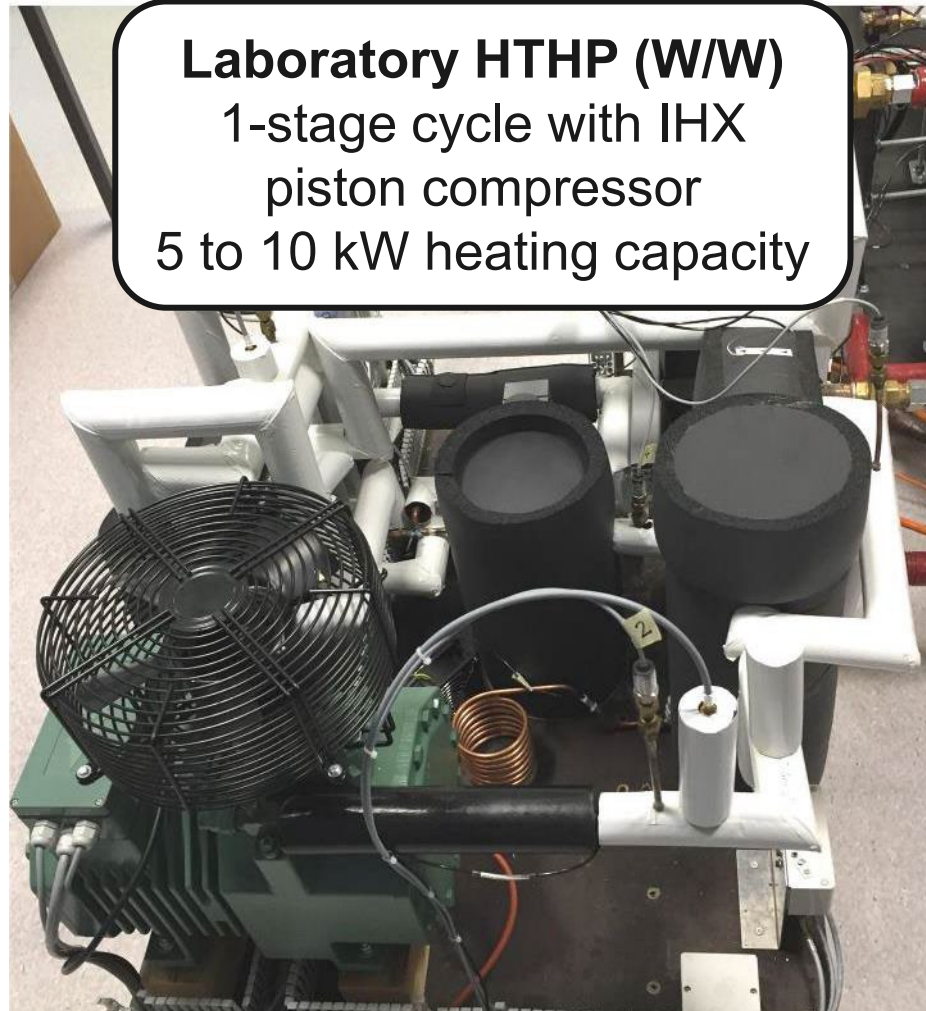


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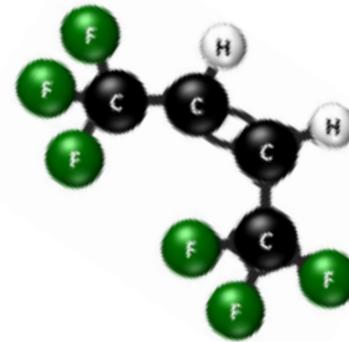


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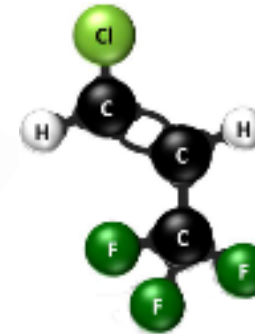
Testing synthetic HFO/HCFO refrigerants up to 150 °C



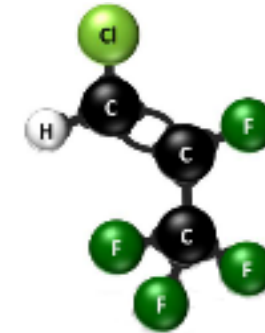
HFO: Hydrofluorolefine, HCFO: Hydrochlorfluorolefine



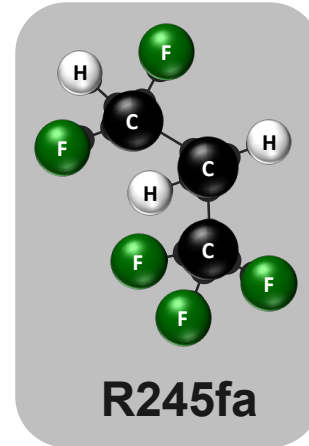
R1336mzz(Z)



R1233zd(E)



R1224yd(Z)



R245fa

Properties:

- Low GWP
- Zero/near zero ODP
- Short atmospheric life
- Not flammable
- Not toxic

Refrigerant	ODP	GWP ₁₀₀	SG
R1336mzz(Z)	0	2	A1
R1233zd(E)	0.00034	1	A1
R1224yd(Z)	0.00023	0.88	A1
R245fa	0	858	B1

Source: Arpagaus, C.; Bertsch, S.: [Experimental Comparison of HCFO and HFO R1224yd\(Z\), R1233zd\(E\), R1336mzz\(Z\), and HFC R245fa in a High Temperature Heat Pump up to 150 °C Supply Temperature](#), 18th International Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Conference at Purdue, May 24-28, 2021, <https://docs.lib.purdue.edu/iracc/2200>

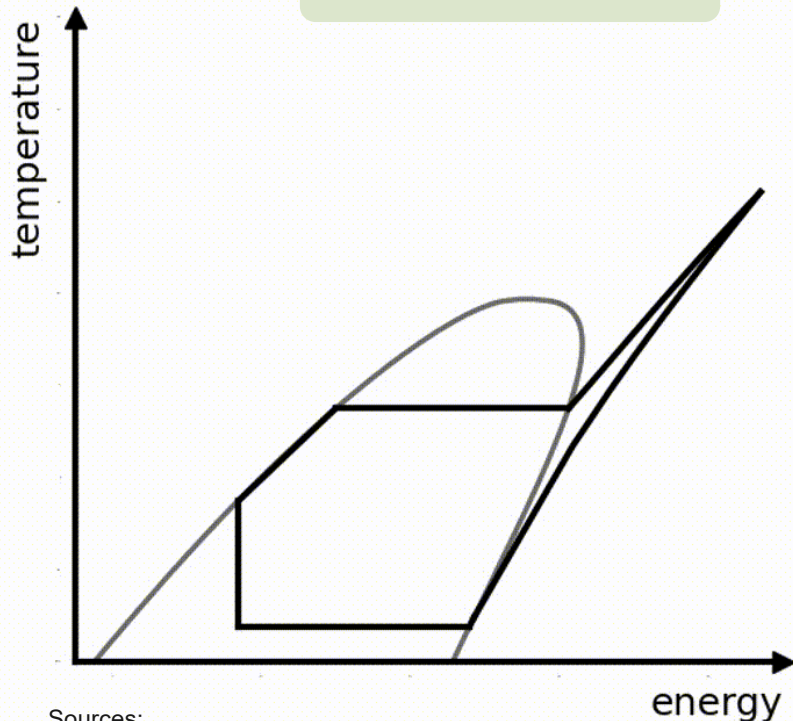
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High-Efficiency HTHPs with Temperature Glide

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One refrigerant mixture offers many options

Mixture A + B



Adapted cycle for **maximum efficiency**
→ **Decrease of OPEX**

Flexibility through mixture adjustment

- One heat pump for various applications
 - Increase of standardization
- **Decrease of CAPEX**

Project goals

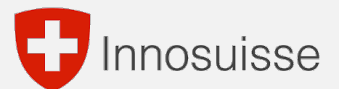
- **Experimental demonstration**
- Clustering of promising applications
→ Suitable refrigerant mixtures
- Guideline for handling mixtures in practice

Partners:

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Integration of Steam Generating Heat Pumps

Guidelines for integrating industrial heat pump

Short summary
This short guideline is intended to help planners and end-customers to prepare when starting a project involving the integration of steam-generating heat pumps in their industrial processes.

Before implementing a steam-generating heat pump
Installing a steam-generating heat pump in a running industrial plant is not trivial. It requires a lot of preparation and information about the whole plant, not only where the heat pump will be installed.

There are two possible locations to install an industrial heat pump:

1. **Centralized heating** and cooling of the whole plant
2. Installation for one or a few **specific processes**

For the centralized heating and cooling, it is usually a bit easier to determine the requirement for the heat pump, since fuel data is available in most cases. However, since central supply temperatures are usually higher than the temperature range of the processes, this solution can lead to poor efficiency. In most cases simply replacing a fossil-fuel based steam generator with a heat pump is not successful.

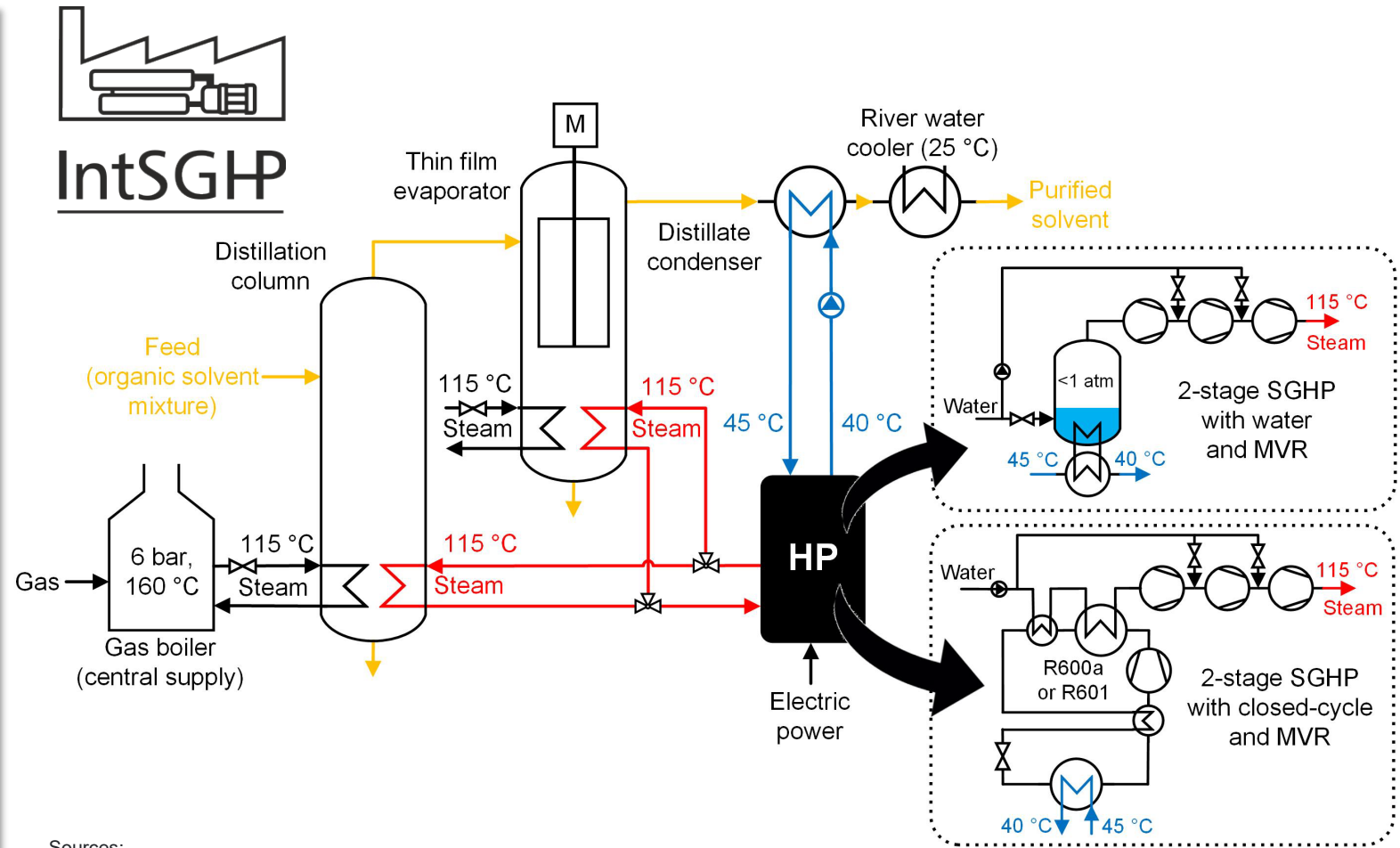
For a heat pump installation on a specific process, a **Pinch Analysis** of the process and the knowledge of **any potential modification planned on the process** are necessary before going forward with the project.

To have a good overview of the heating and cooling demand and to be ready to ascertain if a heat pump is the best technology for a centralized heating and cooling solution, it is highly encouraged to perform a **Pinch Analysis** of the whole plant. This analysis generates a grand composite curve of the plant for different periods of the year. Using this graphical summary of all the flows, it is convenient to determine the temperatures and capacities where a simple heat recovery via a heat exchanger is possible and where heat could be upgraded via a heat pump. The temperature lift between the cold and hot demand and the capacity are visible, clearly showing if and where a heat pump is the right solution. Results of a Pinch Analysis also help planners choose the right type of heat pump for the application. However, for simple processes, a full Pinch analysis may not be necessary. The list of process streams (with mass flow and temperatures) may be enough to design the best heat pump system.

It is also very important to have a **plan of future modifications to the plant** that are foreseeable. Heat pumps are designed to work at particular temperatures and capacity. Modifying the temperatures or the capacity can greatly reduce a heat pump's efficiency or even make it impossible to deliver new heating and cooling demands. While they can be very efficient, they are not as flexible as current steam boilers.

If the process does not match its cooling and heating demand well, looking for nearby process demands with similar running profiles is recommended.

Furthermore, a heat pump can only run if adequate cooling and heating demands are available at the same time. It is important not to neglect the **temporality of the processes**. If discrepancies exist or processes are not steady in power and temperature, adding heat storage is necessary.



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Industrial Partners supporting with Case Studies





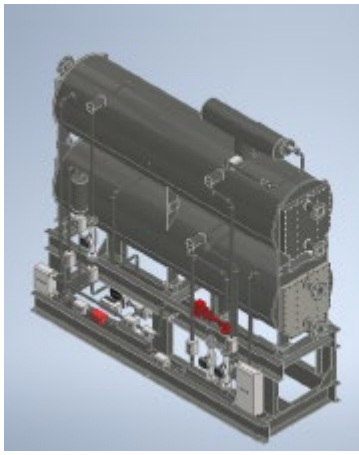
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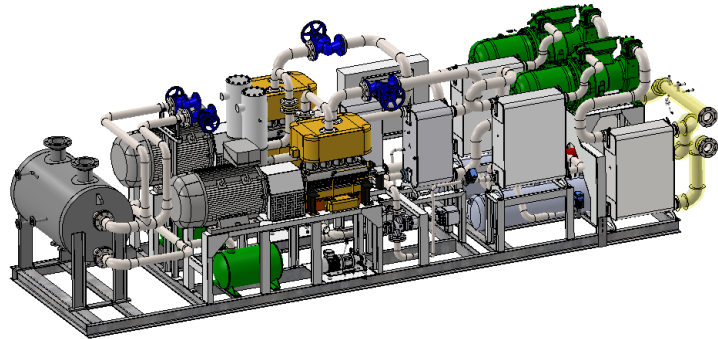
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Absorption Heat Transformer (H₂O/LiBr)



2-stage cascade with piston and screw compressors



2-stage centrifugal compressor



Thermochemical Heat Transformer



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Introduction – Importance of Steam Generating Heat Pumps

Evolution of the HTHP market

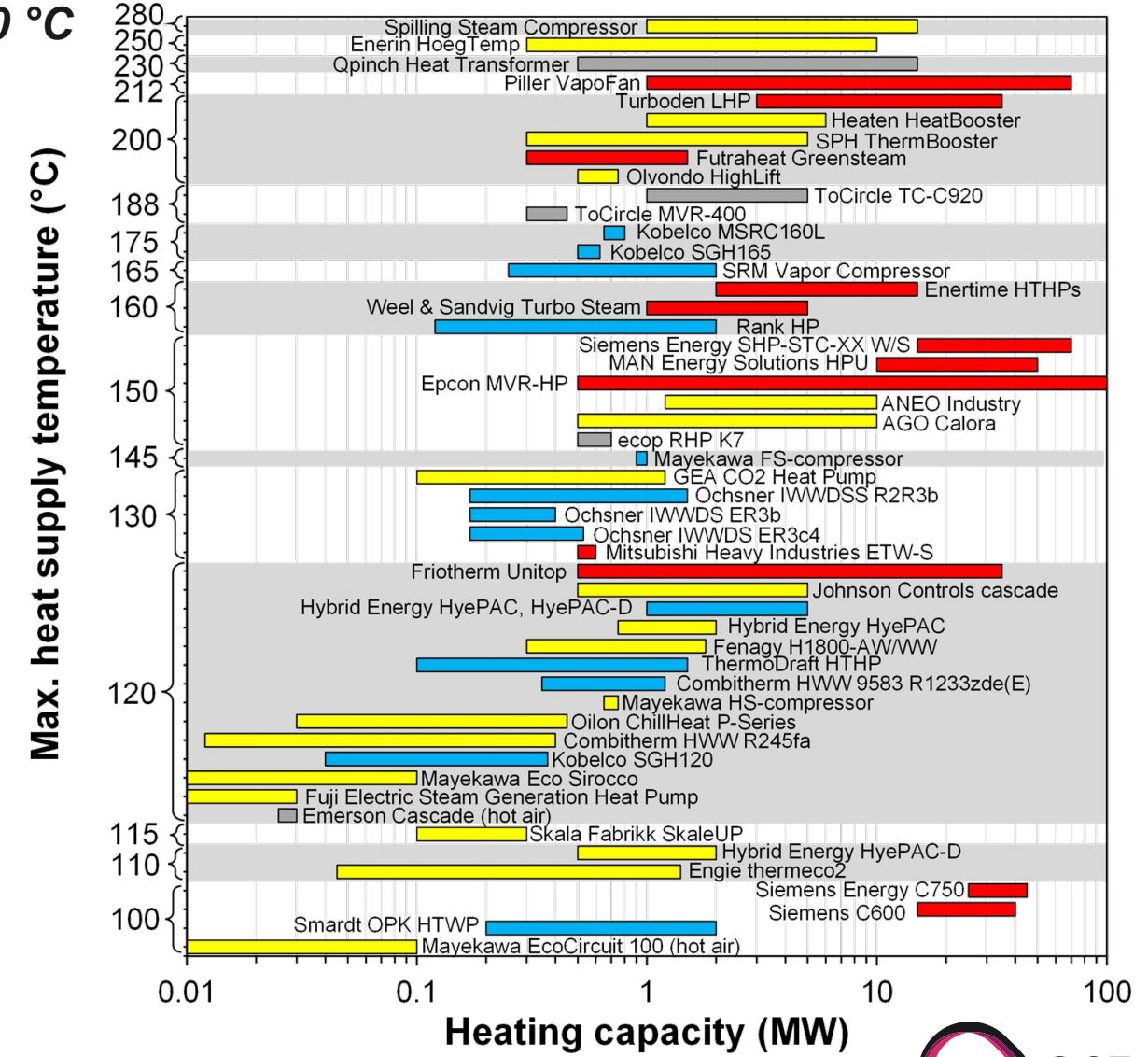
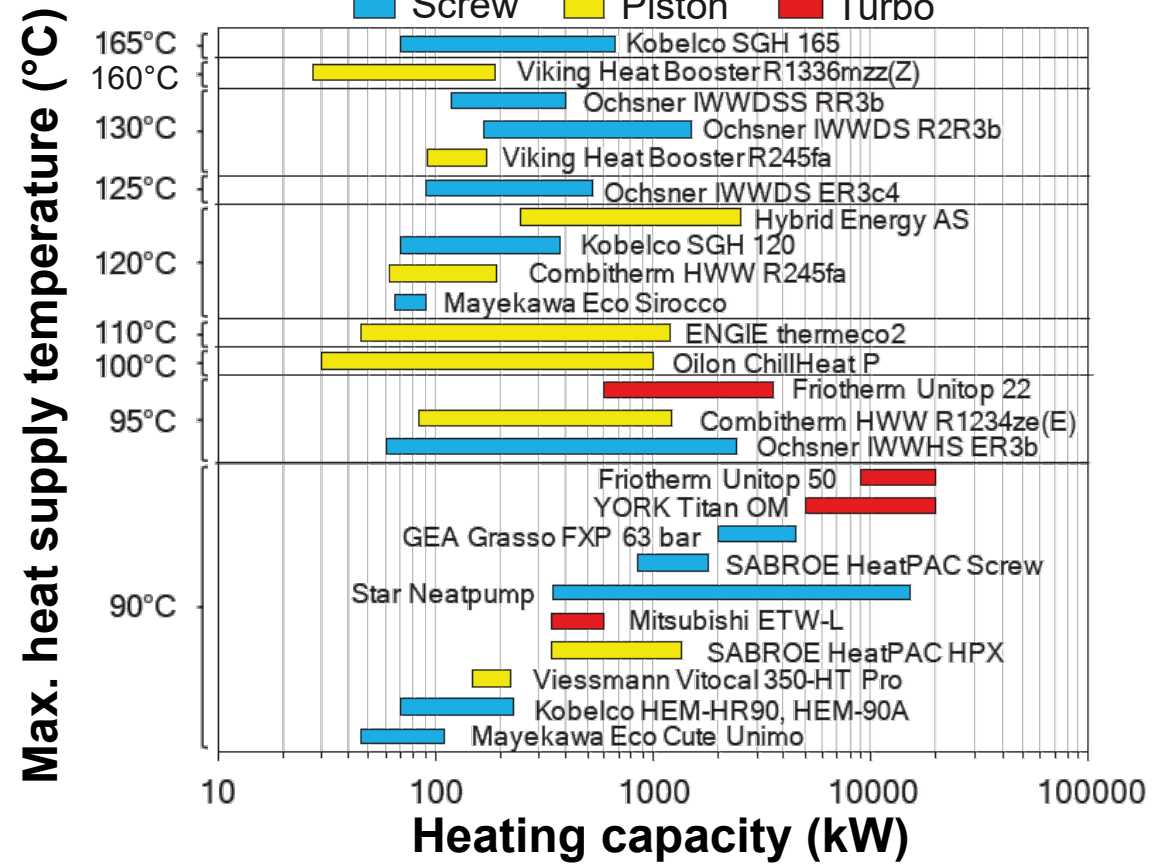
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Compressor type: ■ Screw ■ Piston ■ Turbo ■ Other

2018

50 HTHPs > 100 °C

25 HTHPs > 90 °C

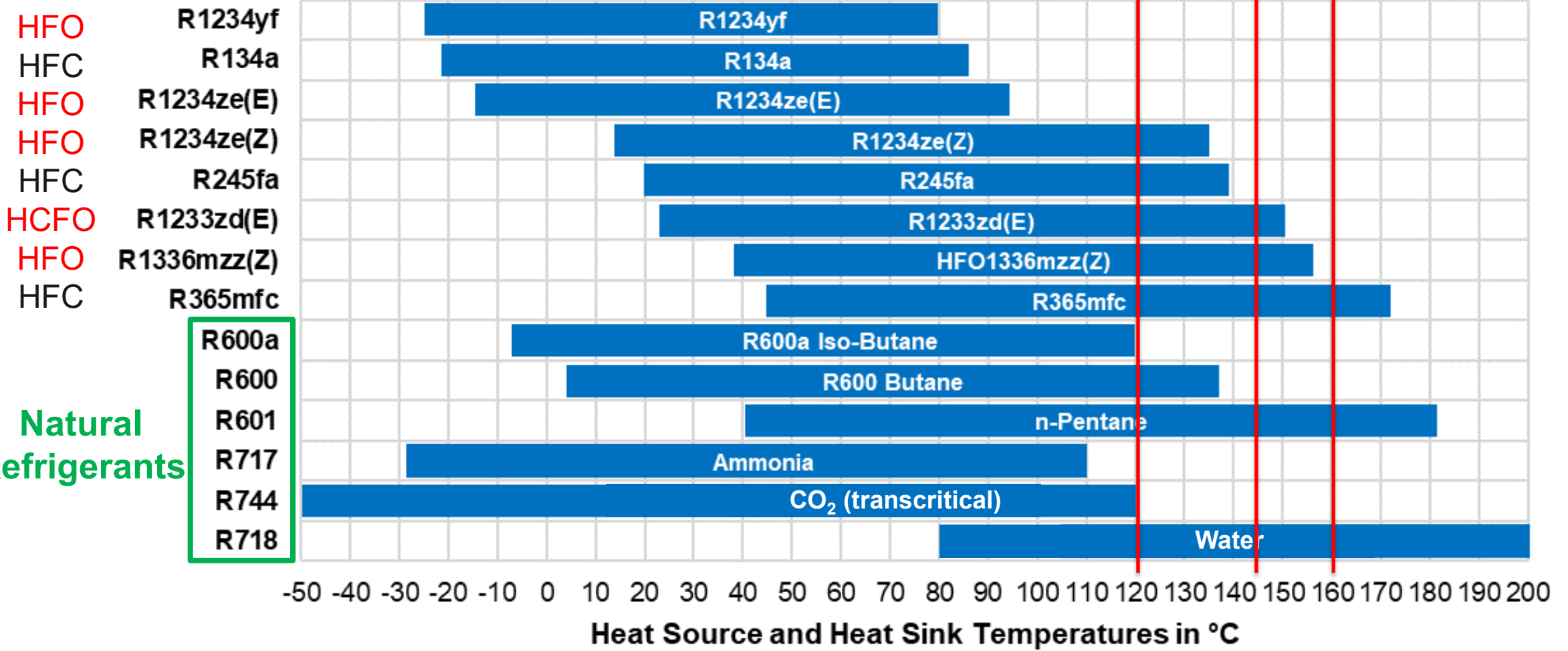


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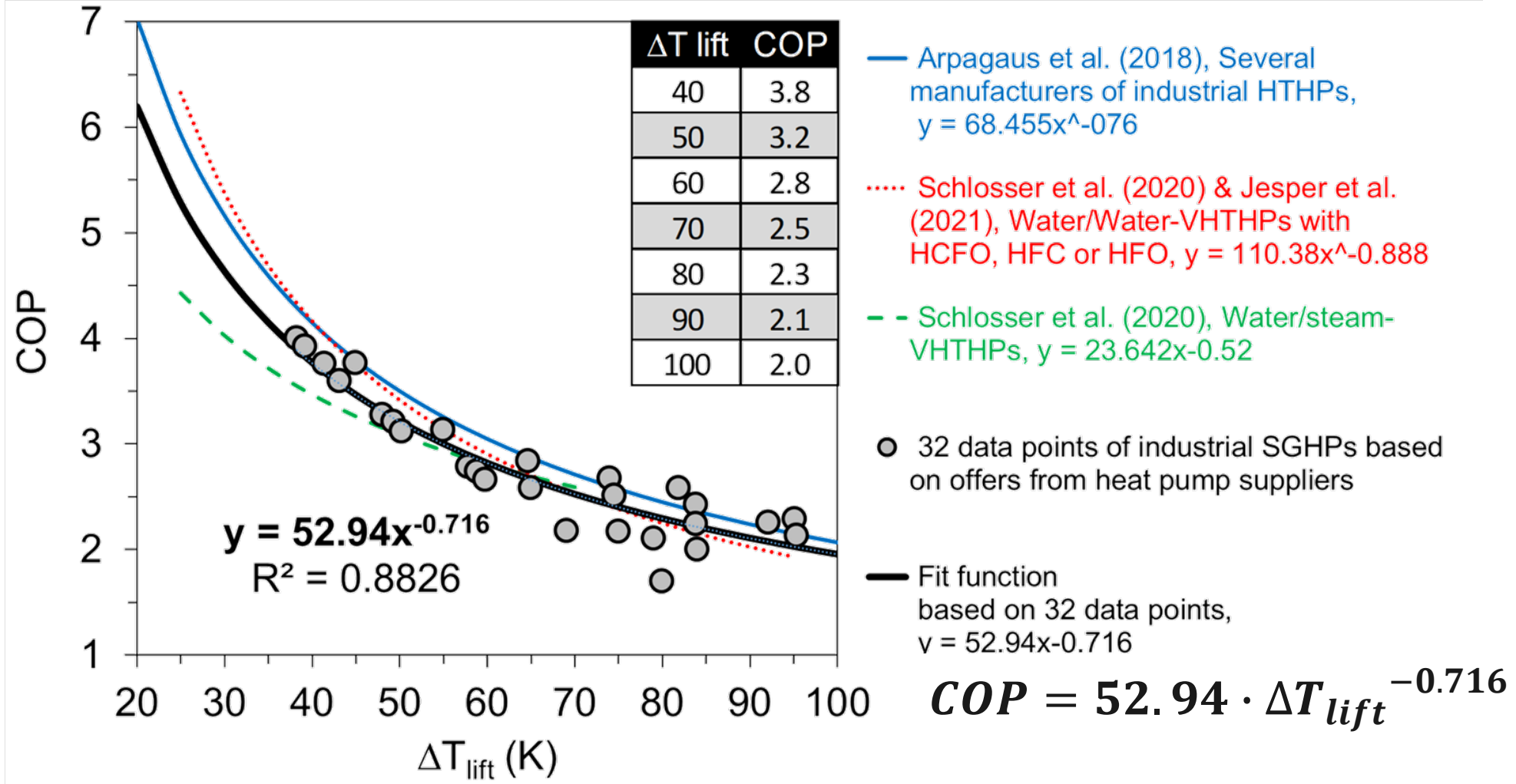
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Suitable refrigerants for SGHPs

2 bar(a) 4 bar(a) 6 bar(a)



COP of Steam Generating Heat Pumps



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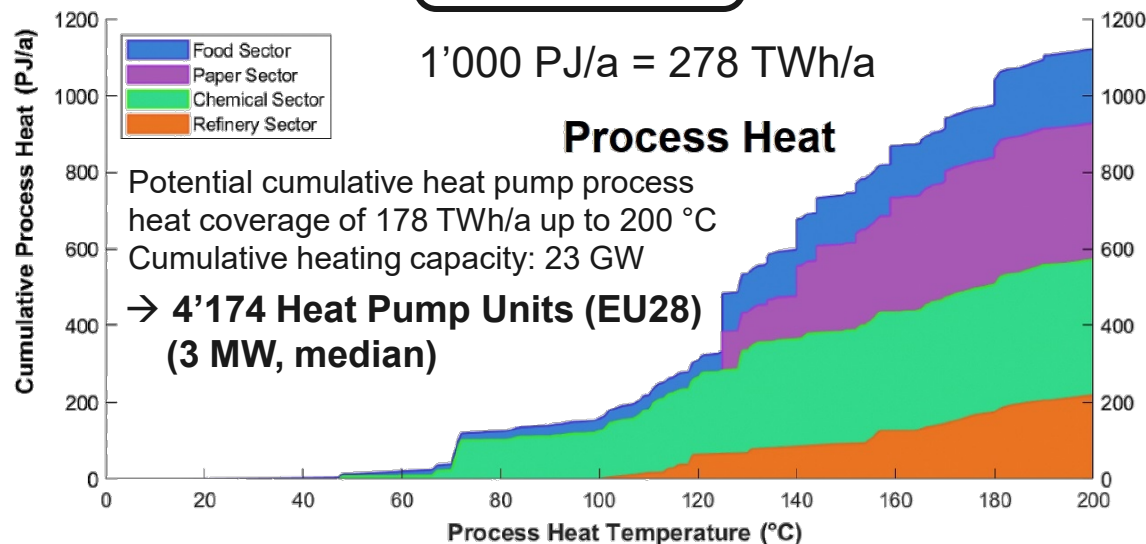
The heat pump market potential to 200 °C is large ... but still emerging

Industrial process heat demand

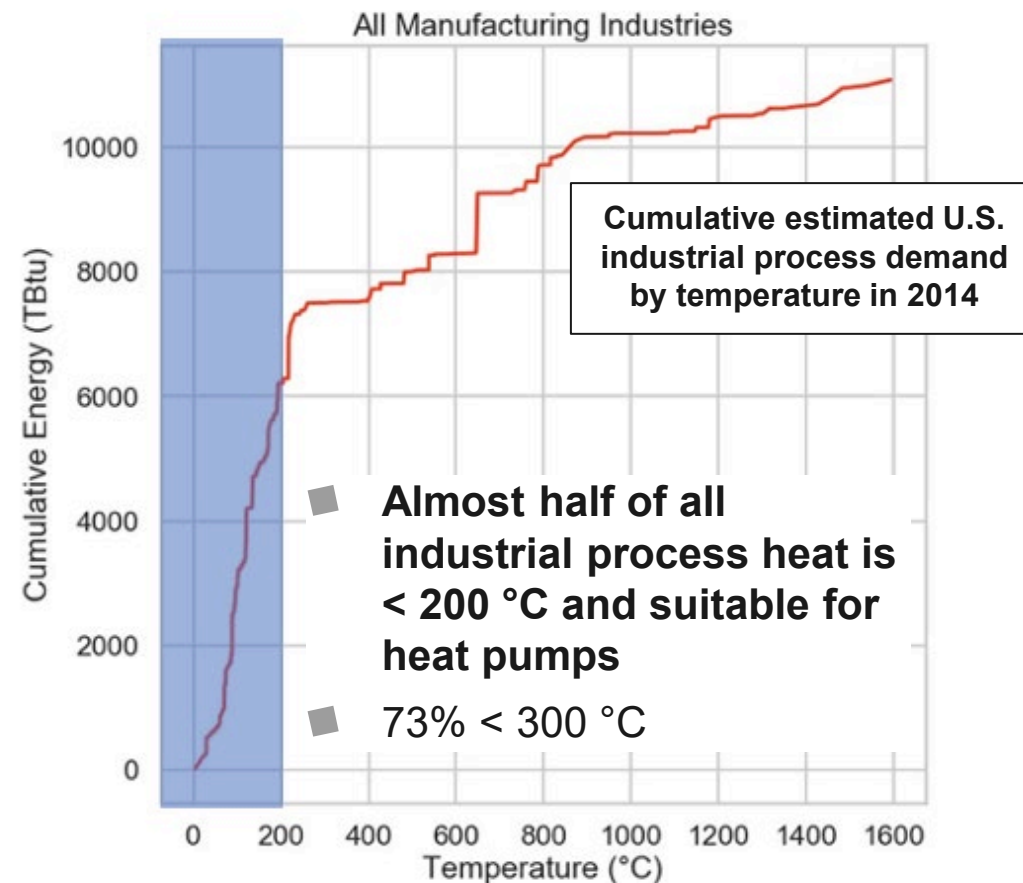
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1'000 TBtu = 1'055 PJ

U.S.



- Highest potential in the **food, paper, and chemical sectors**
- Available **waste heat** between 40 °C and 100 °C is estimated to be 212 TWh/a (764 PJ/a) (EU28)



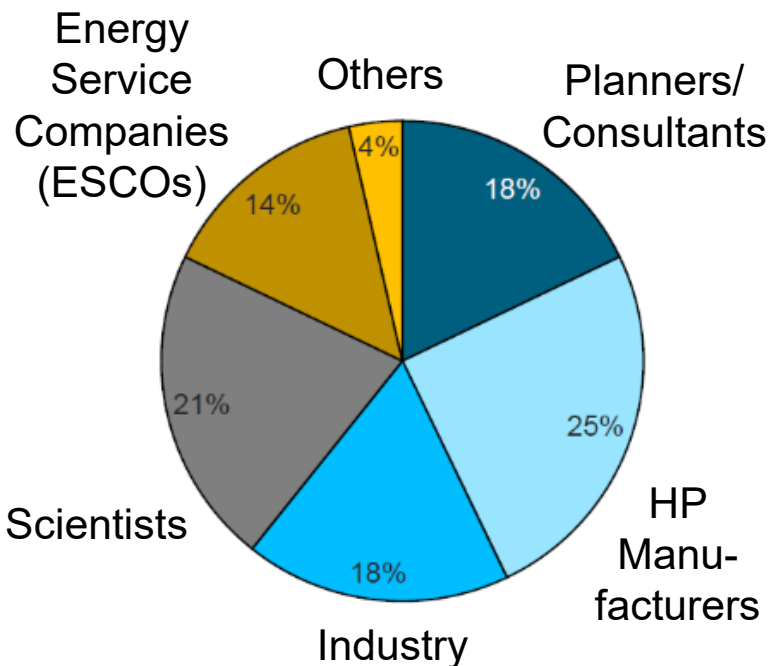
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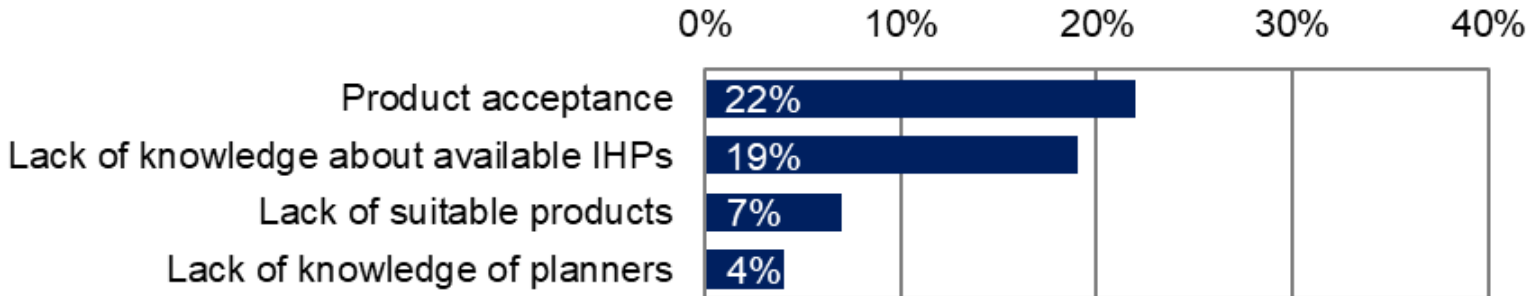
Introduction – There is a lack of running industrial heat pumps (IHPs) in industry

Challenging economics identified as key market barrier

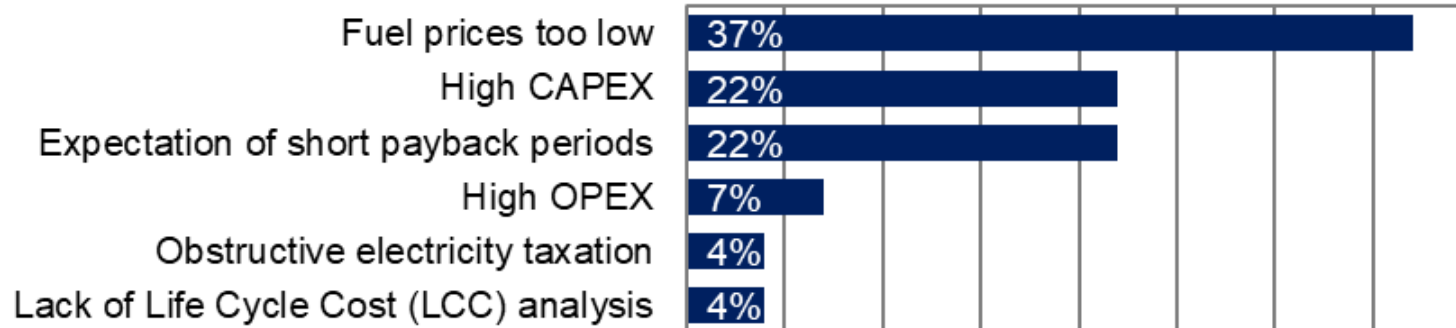
Survey among 27 experts on heat pumps and heat recovery



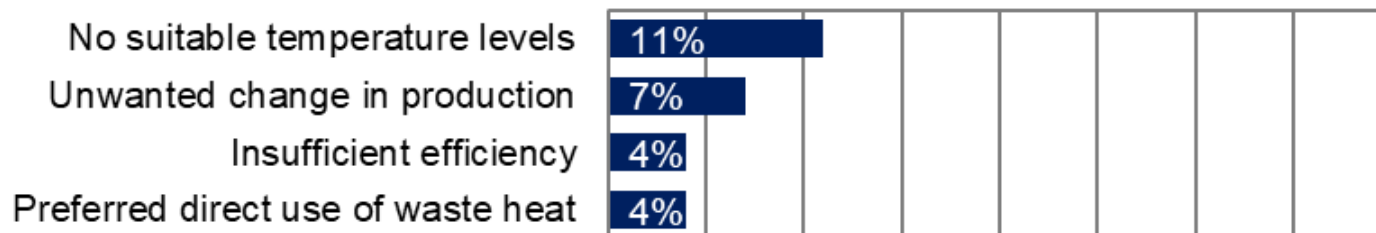
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Technology & Process



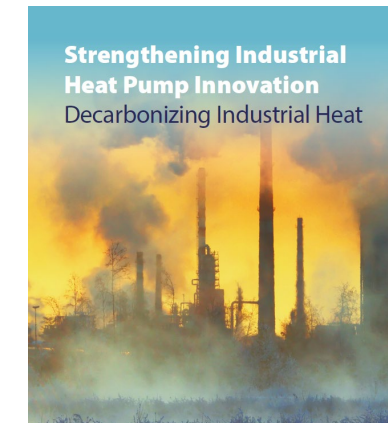
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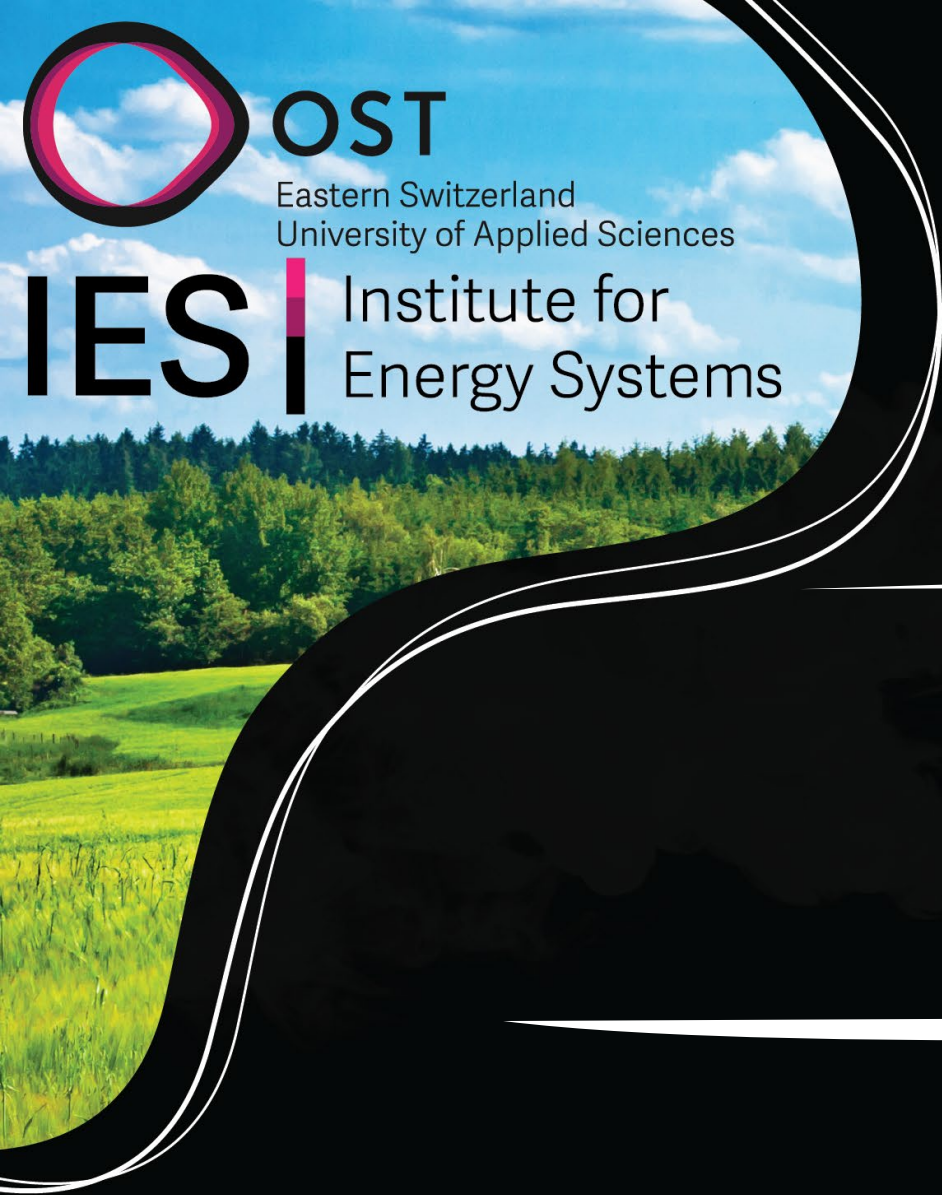
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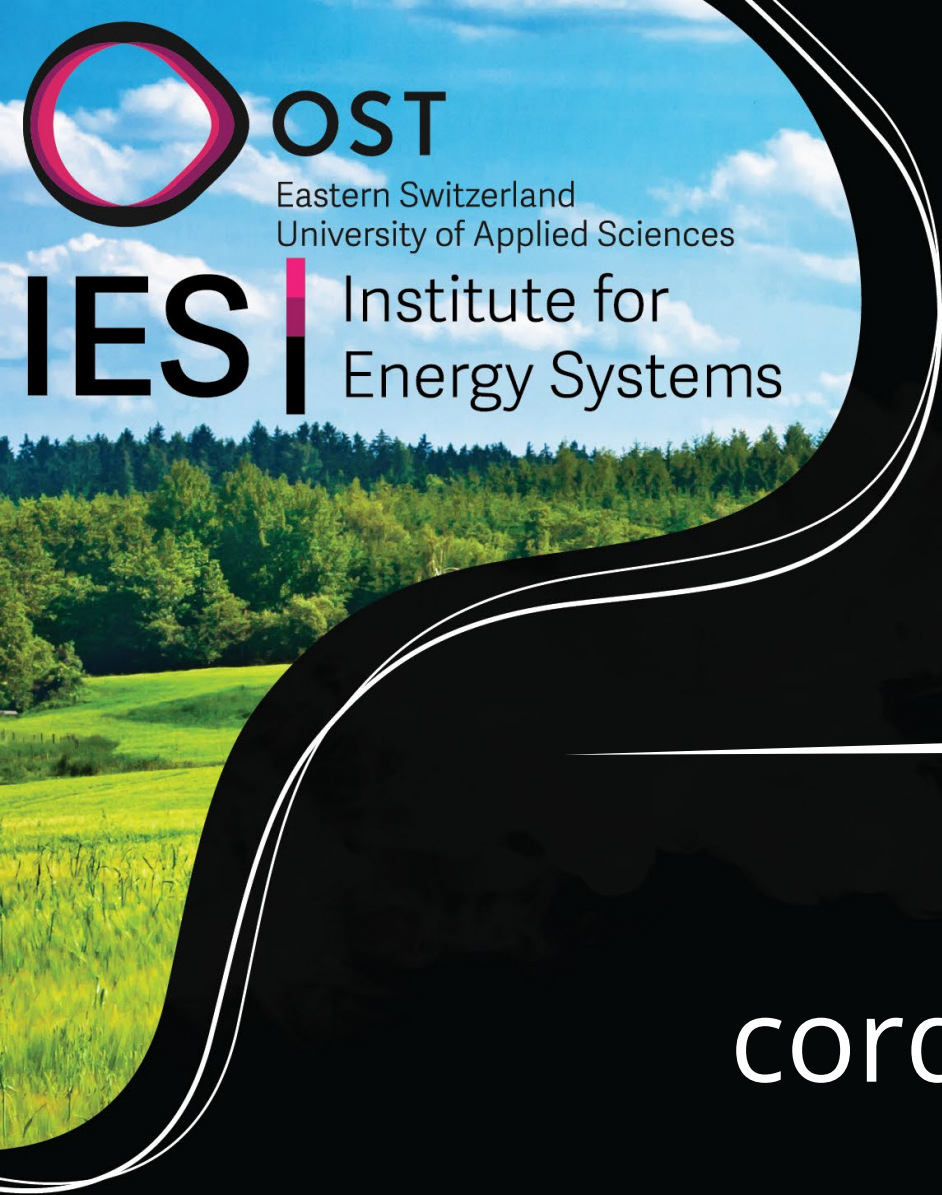


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Wrap-up & Conclusions



- **Dennis Roskosch (ETHZ):** Model-based analysis shows that highly efficient heat pumps cover the base load, various types of SGHP concepts are available (direct evaporation, flash evaporation, MVR)
- **Christian Schlemminger & Michael Bantle (Aneo Industry):** Demonstrated the integration of a 1.6 MW SGHP into a feed production process with ammonia/water as refrigerant. The combined heat pump system generates 2 t/h of 2 bar(a)/140 °C steam
- **Conrad Latham & Manuel Vandervoorde (Atlas Copco):** Atlas Copco is transforming air compressor technology to steam compression using existing technology, providing oil-free and air-free dry superheated steam using speed-controlled oil-free screw compression
- **Martin Pihl Andersen (DTU):** Tests with the Japanese Kobelco SGH165 with flash tank and steam compressor showed that the new synthetic and hydrocarbon refrigerants can be used as by drop-in replacements. The tests at 135 °C to 175°C made it possible to create an accurate model of the compressor efficiencies. The temperature of the expansion vessel is an optimizing variable.
- **Wouter de Vries (TNO):** Demonstration of a full-scale industrial heat pump producing steam above 140 °C, Carnot lab, pentane HP from Mayekawa, economizer cycle, test results
- **Mogens Weel (Weel & Sandvig):** Presented the challenges in the development of a compact, gearless turbo steam compressors with an isentropic efficiency of 73%, so far experience of 200 operating hours and 50 starts, in the future development of a new compressor family with 1-, 2- and 3-stage compression up to 83 K temperature
- **Hans Madsbøll (DTI):** Gave a nice overview of steam compressor types at a TRL 9 (centrifugal, piston, screw, roots, turbo fans), and new developments TRL < 9 from direct drive turbo compressors, screw, rotary vane, to screw compressors
- **Arne Høeg (Enerin):** Presented the HoegTemp Stirling steam generating heat pump for decarbonizing industry, it uses helium as refrigerant, provides high temperature lifts, and is adaptable to high source and sink temperature



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