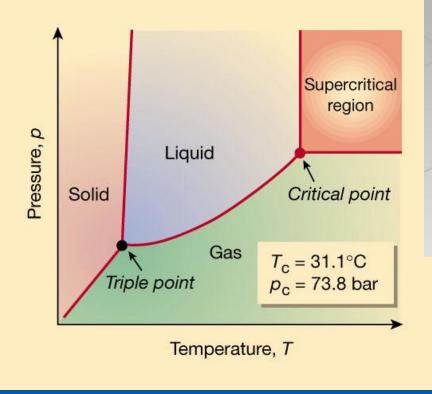
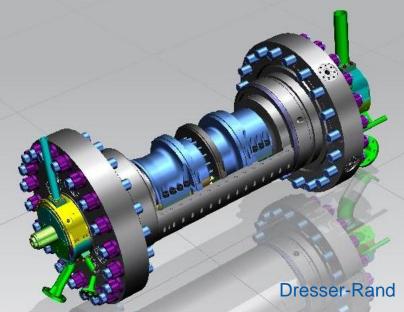


10 MW Supercritical-CO₂ Turbine Project





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Project Summary

Award: Title: Overall Budget: Start date: DE-EE-0001589 10 MW s-CO₂ Turbine Test \$16 million (\$8M DOE, \$8M industry) October 1, 2012

		2013				2014				2015			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13
Phase 1 – Design													
Phase 2 – Fabrication													
Phase 3 – Operation													

10 MW s-CO₂ Turbine Test

Goal: Design, fabricate, and validate a supercritical- CO_2 (s- CO_2) power cycle of nominally 10 MWe that is capable of operation at up to 700°C under dry cooling conditions.

Innovation: Demonstrate the inherent efficiencies of the $s-CO_2$ power turbine and associated turbomachinery at a design and scale relevant to commercial power generation.











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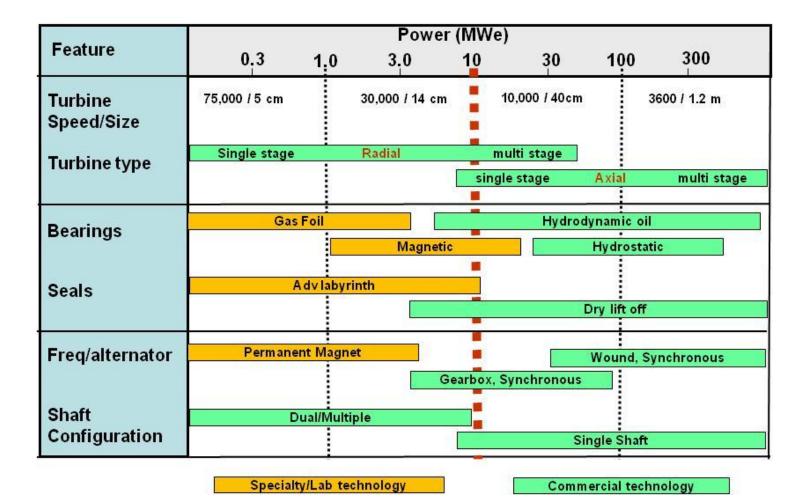
10 MW s-CO₂ Turbine Team

Partner	Roles and Responsibilities
NREL (prime)	Project management s-CO ₂ cycle modeling; annual simulations and LCOE estimates Operation staff support
Abengoa Solar	Integration of s-CO ₂ into CSP commercial systems Analysis of market for s-CO ₂ /CSP Heat input system and heat rejection system design and fab Operation staff support
Echogen Power Systems	Turbomachinery and test loop system design Compressor and turbine fabrication; Test loop system fabrication Analysis of market for s-CO ₂ power systems Operation utilities and staff support
Sandia	Site preparation, system installation and operation Recompression loop test operations at high CIT
UW-Madison	Materials of construction, corrosion assessment
Barber-Nichols	System design consulting; Component manufacturing as needed
EPRI	Tech. promotion and identification of potential comm. projects Materials selection assistance to UW-Madison

- 1. Design and fabricate s-CO₂ power turbine using conventional, scalable system design
- 2. Construct ~10 MWe recuperated s-CO₂ test loop
- 3. Run loop at temperatures up to 700°C
- 4. Test cycle operation at high compressor inlet temps (i.e., dry-cooled conditions)
- 5. Validate performance models with experimental data
- 6. Simulate annual operation of system configurations that achieve SunShot goals
- 7. Advance technology to commercial demonstration

Why 10 MWe Scale?

- 10 MW allows use of commercial design technologies
- Axial turbine design chosen to facilitate scale-up to larger capacity



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Project Tasks

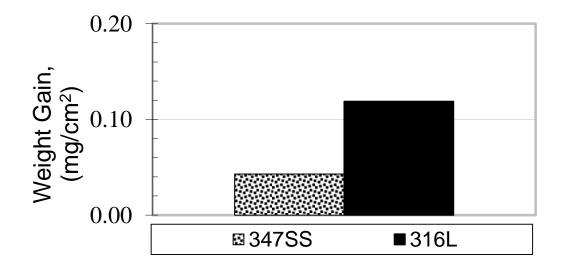
Phase 1 - Design

- 1.1 Corrosion and Materials Analysis
- 1.2 Detailed Test Plan Development
- 1.3 Test Loop Design
- 1.4 Modeling and Simulation of Cycles
- 1.5 Commercial Power Cycle
- 1.6 CSP Commercial Deployment Path
- 1.7 Site Preparation
- Phase 2 Fabrication & Installation
 - 2.1 Corrosion and Materials Analysis (cont.)
 - 2.2 Test Loop Construction
 - 2.3 Installation & Checkout
 - 2.4 Modeling & Simulation
 - 2.5 Conceptual Design Study of Commercial CSP System
- Phase 3 Operation & Simulation
 - 3.1 Corrosion and Materials Analysis (cont.)
 - 3.2 Low-temp operation (550C)
 - 3.3 High-temp operation (>650C)
 - 3.4 System Model Validation
 - 3.5 Response and Control of Recompression Cycle
- Project Management & Reporting

Alloy Corrosion Tests (UW-Madison)

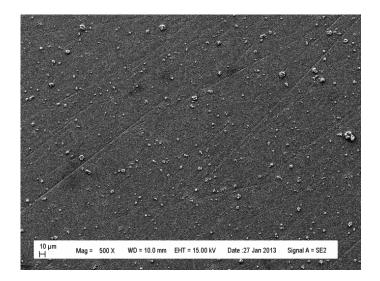
Alloy	С	Fe	Cr	Ni	Mn	Nb	Мо	Si	Cu	Со
316L	0.045	64.3	17.4	13.3	1.7	-	2.7	0.43	-	-
347ss	0.051	68.5	17.7	9.62	1.66	0.72	0.38	0.77	0.38	0.20

200 hours exposure to CO_2 at 650C and 200 bar:

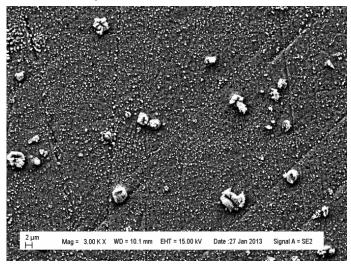


347 SS Surface SEM

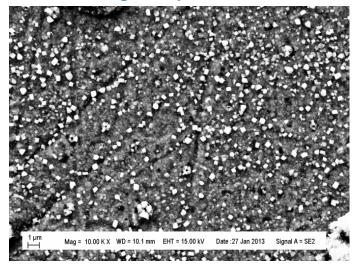
No Large Oxidation Cluster



Oxide particles

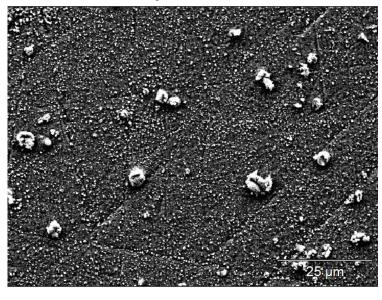


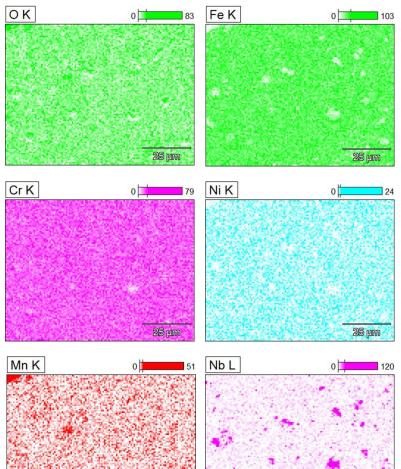
Smaller grainy oxide

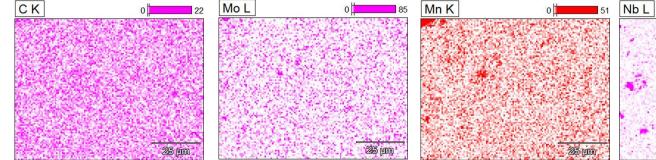


347 SS Elemental Analysis via EDS

Nb oxide particles







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Initial Results: 347 and 316L

- 1. 316L shows higher weight gain than 347ss despite their similar composition.
- 2. The major oxide is large Fe oxide clusters in 316L and Nb oxide particles in 347ss. Small grainy Mn-rich oxides found in both alloys, but their number density is higher in 347ss than in 316L.
- 3. The reason for formation of different oxides in these two similar alloys is still being investigated.
- 4. Other alloys under analysis: Inconel 800H, Haynes 230, AFA-O6C

Test Bed for High-Temp Turbine

The SunShot test hardware consists of: Echogen EPS100 System with high-temp turbine, high-temp recuperator, and modified compressor + 700C heat source + dry cooling system



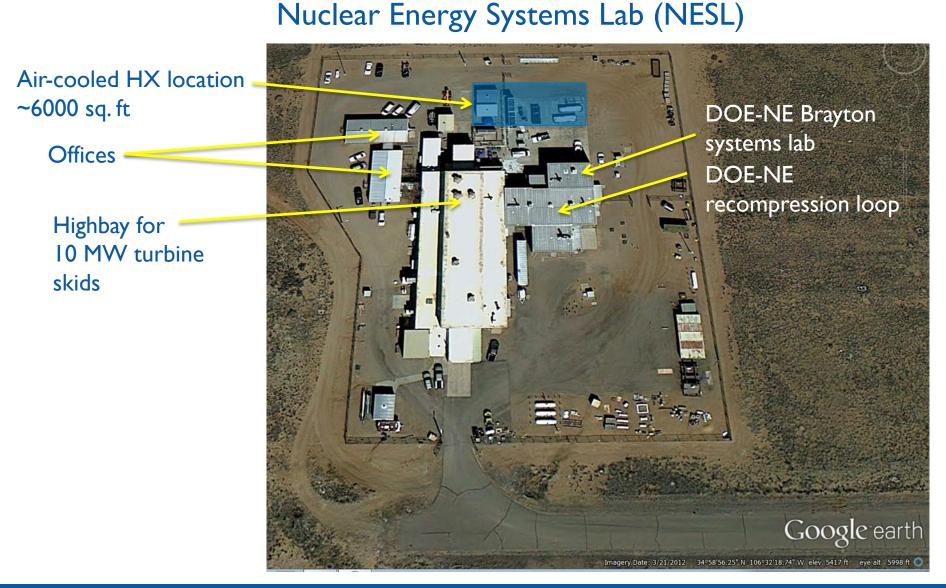
Echogen's first-of-kind EPS100 process skid being transported for testing.

Test Site

Testing will occur at Sandia National Laboratories' Nuclear Energy Systems Lab (NESL), host site for Brayton cycle research.



Site Preparation



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SunShot Path for s-CO₂ Brayton Cycle

Contributions under the 10 MW s-CO₂ Turbine project are highlighted in orange.

