

## FIP/2-1Ra

# Progress of Qualification Testing for Full-Scale Plasma-Facing Unit Prototype of Full Tungsten ITER Divertor in Japan

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# Progresses on WEST Platform Construction towards First Plasmas

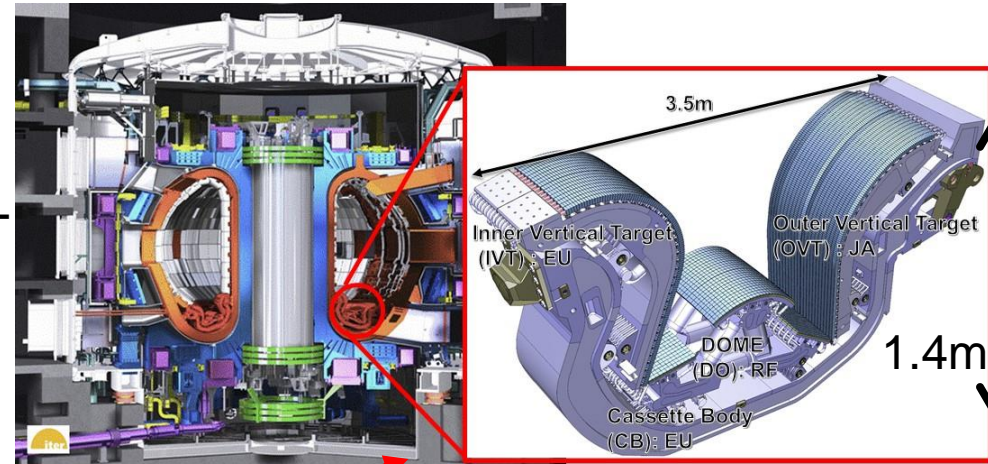
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# Outline

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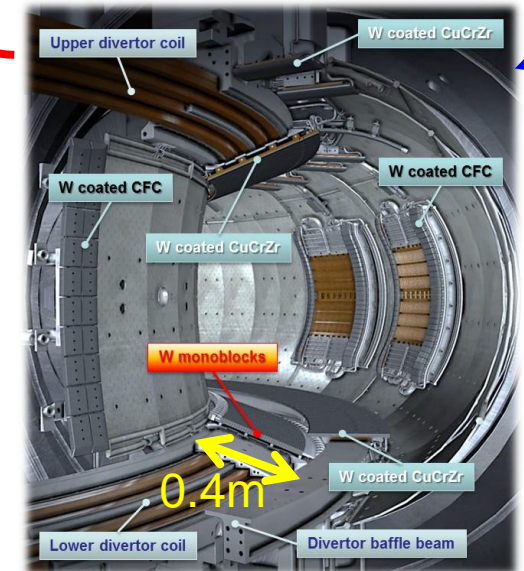
- Status of full-W ITER divertor outer vertical target
- Manufacturing full-W full-scale Plasma-Facing Unit (PFU) prototypes
- Profile tolerance of surface on PFUs
- Durability for HHF and deformation W monoblock
- Summary



Mutual-aid relationship

## FIP/2-1Rb (WEST project)

- WEST Tokamak Features
- WEST Program: risk mitigation for ITER full W divertor
- WEST divertor PFU vs ITER divertor VT PFU
- WEST main component status
- Load assembly and experiment schedule
- Summary



# Status of full-W ITER divertor Outer vertical target

## Three challenges in Full-scale PFU prototype

- (1) **Soundness of all joint surfaces** in PFU:  
To be passed the ultrasonic testing (UT) and
- (2) **Strict profile tolerance** of surface in target part:  
To be stayed within  $\pm 0.25$  mm.
- (3) **Durability for high heat flux (HHF) testing**:  
Requirement of the repeated heat load of  $10 \text{ MW/m}^2 \times 5000$  cycles and  $20 \text{ MW/m}^2 \times 300$  cycles.

**Next Phase**

ITER Divertor OVT  
2nd Prototype and  
Mass production

**Completion**

2014-2015

1st Full-scale  
PFU prototype

Small-scale mock-up  
2012-2013



Establishment of  
Brazing

30 W monoblocks



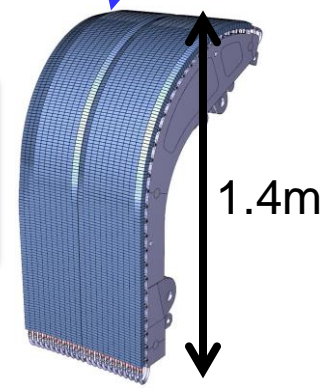
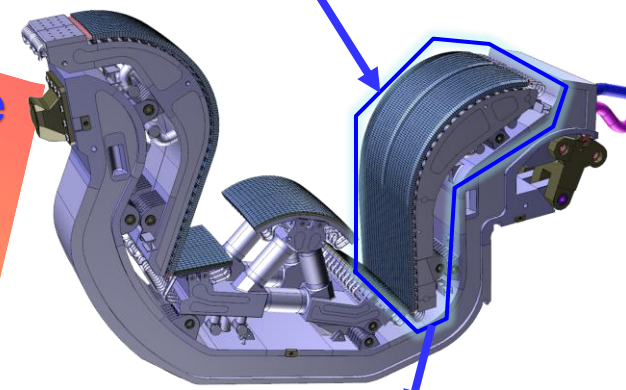
Crack-free after HHF testing



584 W monoblocks  
Demonstration of  
manufacturing feasibility



Profile Tolerance



200K W monoblocks  
in 58 OVT

Element test  
for Material  
2007-2011

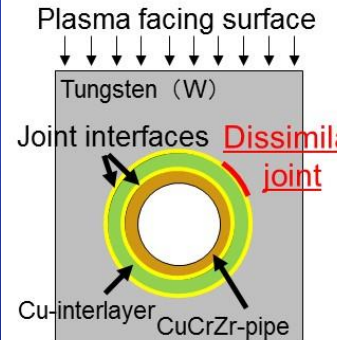
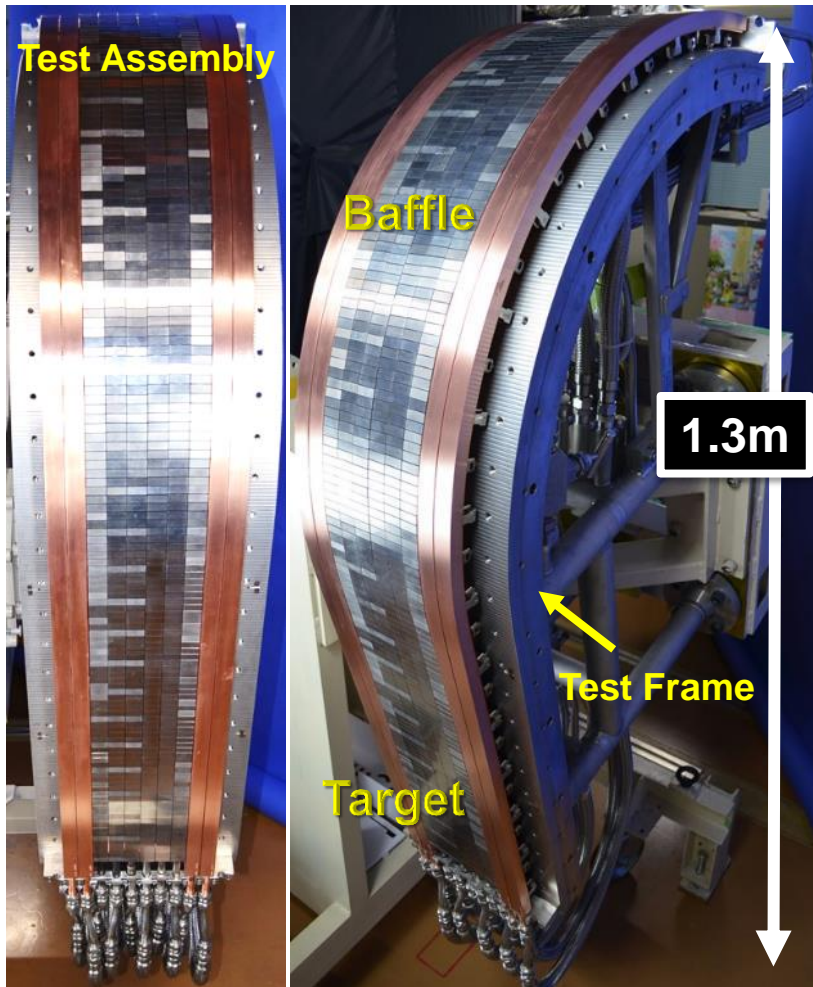


W monoblock Casted  
Cu interlayer



CuCrZr-pipe

# Manufacturing full-scale PFU prototypes

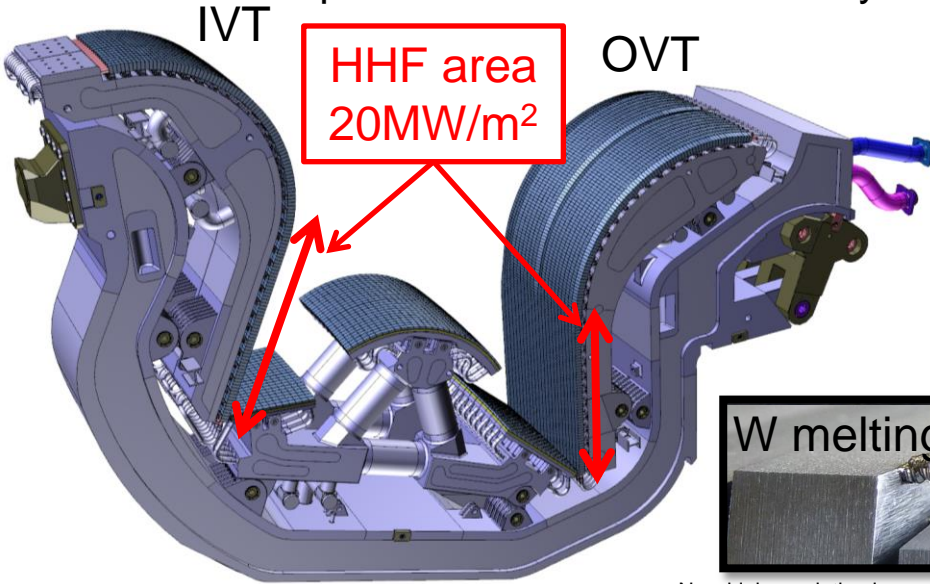


W monoblock for the target part of the prototypes was not chamfered in the toroidal direction for the subsequent high heat flux testing

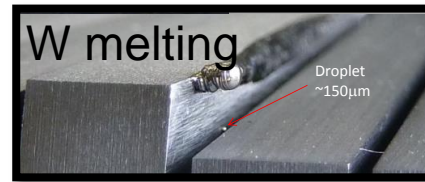
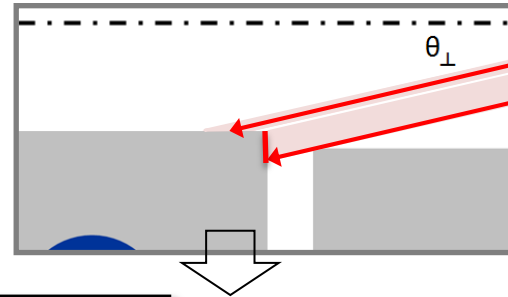
The results of UT for 4 PFU prototypes with W monoblocks and the casted Cu interlayers showed no dissimilar joint which degrades the heat removal capability in both joints of W/Cu and Cu/CuCrZr-IG among 584 W monoblocks (= 146 monoblocks/PFU × 4 PFUs).

# Profile tolerance of surface on PFUs

**Strict profile tolerance** of the surface at the target part **is one of the challenges** in the full-scale demonstration phase under this R&D activity.



**Problem** : Step of W monoblock causes increasing heat flux at leading edges.

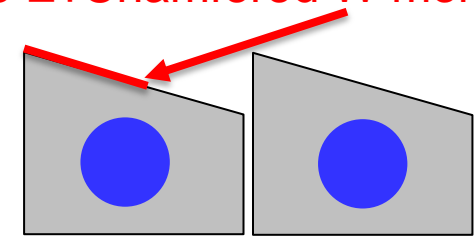
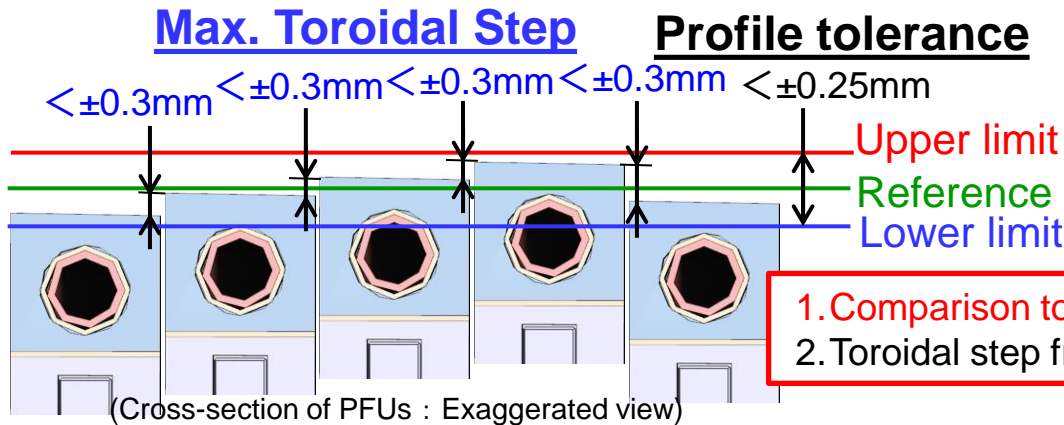


New high resolution images of W-melting in JET  
[G. Matthews – PFMC 2015]

Two measures are taken for all W monoblocks to prevent the leading edges of the W monoblocks from over-heating.

**Measure 1 : Strict tolerance**

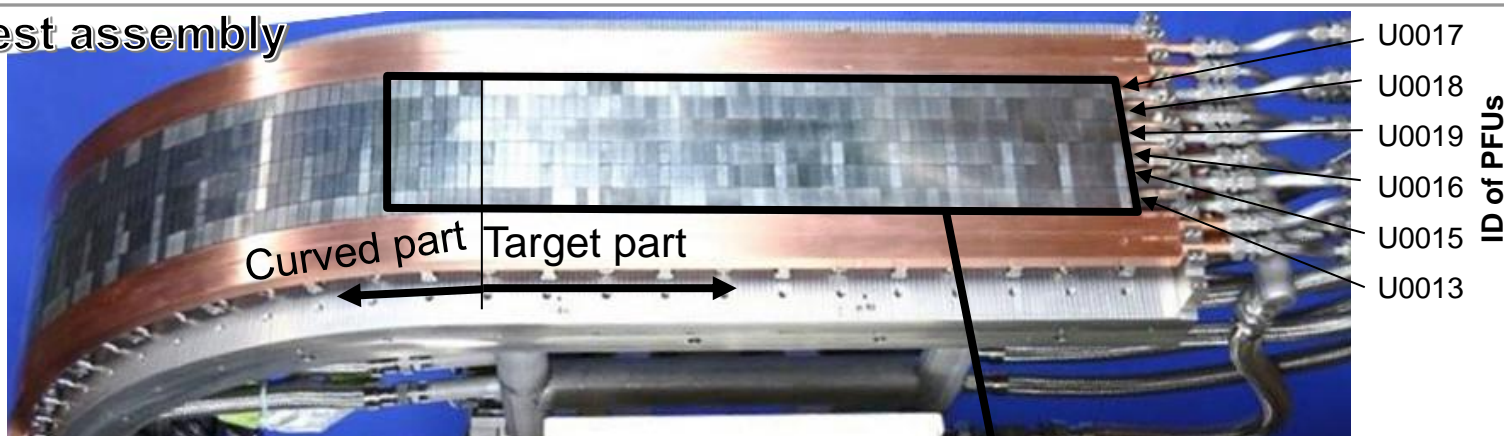
**Measure 2 : Chamfered W monoblock**



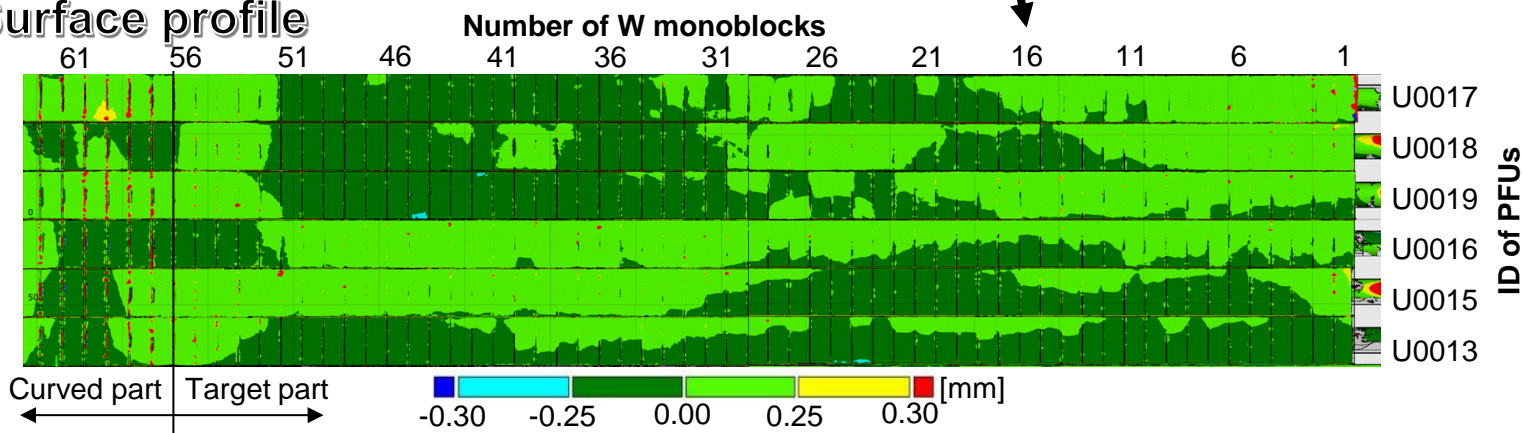
1. Comparison to CAD model data : surface tolerance,  $\pm 0.25\text{mm}$
2. Toroidal step from each neighbouring W monoblock,  $\pm 0.3\text{ mm}$

# 3D measurement on surface profile of the 6 PFU prototypes

Test assembly



Surface profile



Optical measuring instrument (combination of ATOS Compact Scan 5M with TRITOP of Optical 3D Coordinate Measuring Machine)

W monoblock surface in the target part was located within  $\pm 0.25$  mm from the CAD model data. **JADA succeeded in demonstrating feasibility of the requirement of the surface profile with tight tolerance.**

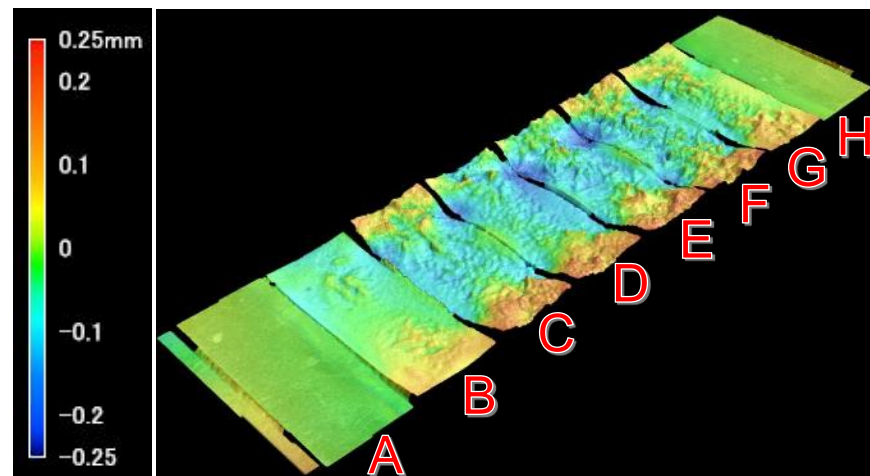
# Durability for HHF and deformation W monoblock

Definition of zones heated in test assembly



Surface condition

Zone	2	3 and 4	5 and 6
After 300 cycles at 20MW/m <sup>2</sup>			
After 1000 cycles At 20MW/m <sup>2</sup>			



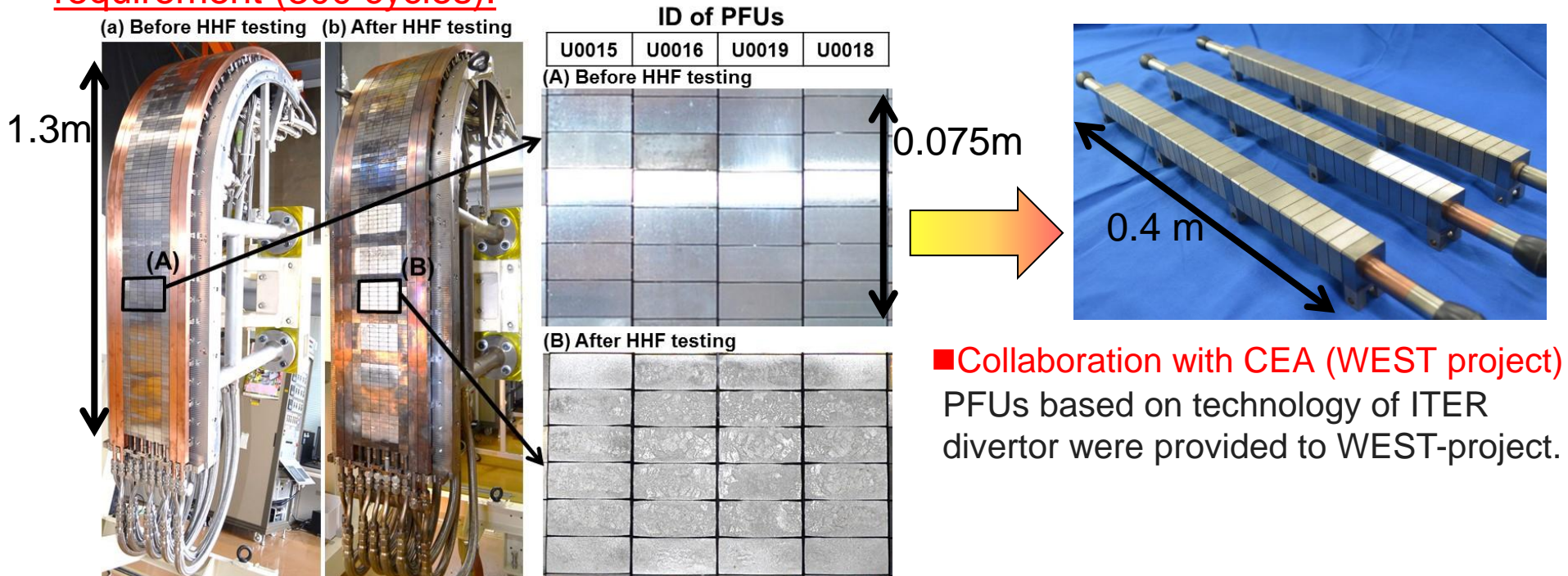
Deformation of W surface after HHF testing is appeared within  $\pm 0.25$ mm.

The HHF testing for four full-scale PFU prototypes was carried out at the Efremov Institute. **All of the tested 116 W monoblocks endured** the repetitive heat load of  $10 \text{ MW/m}^2 \times 5000$  cycles and  $20 \text{ MW/m}^2 \times 1000$  cycles which is more than three times higher than the requirement of 300 cycles. **Any W monoblock did NOT show macroscopic cracks** along the coolant tube axis after HHF testing.

# Summary of FIP/2-1Ra

Through full-scale prototyping, JADA demonstrated the manufacturing ability of the full-tungsten plasma facing unit.

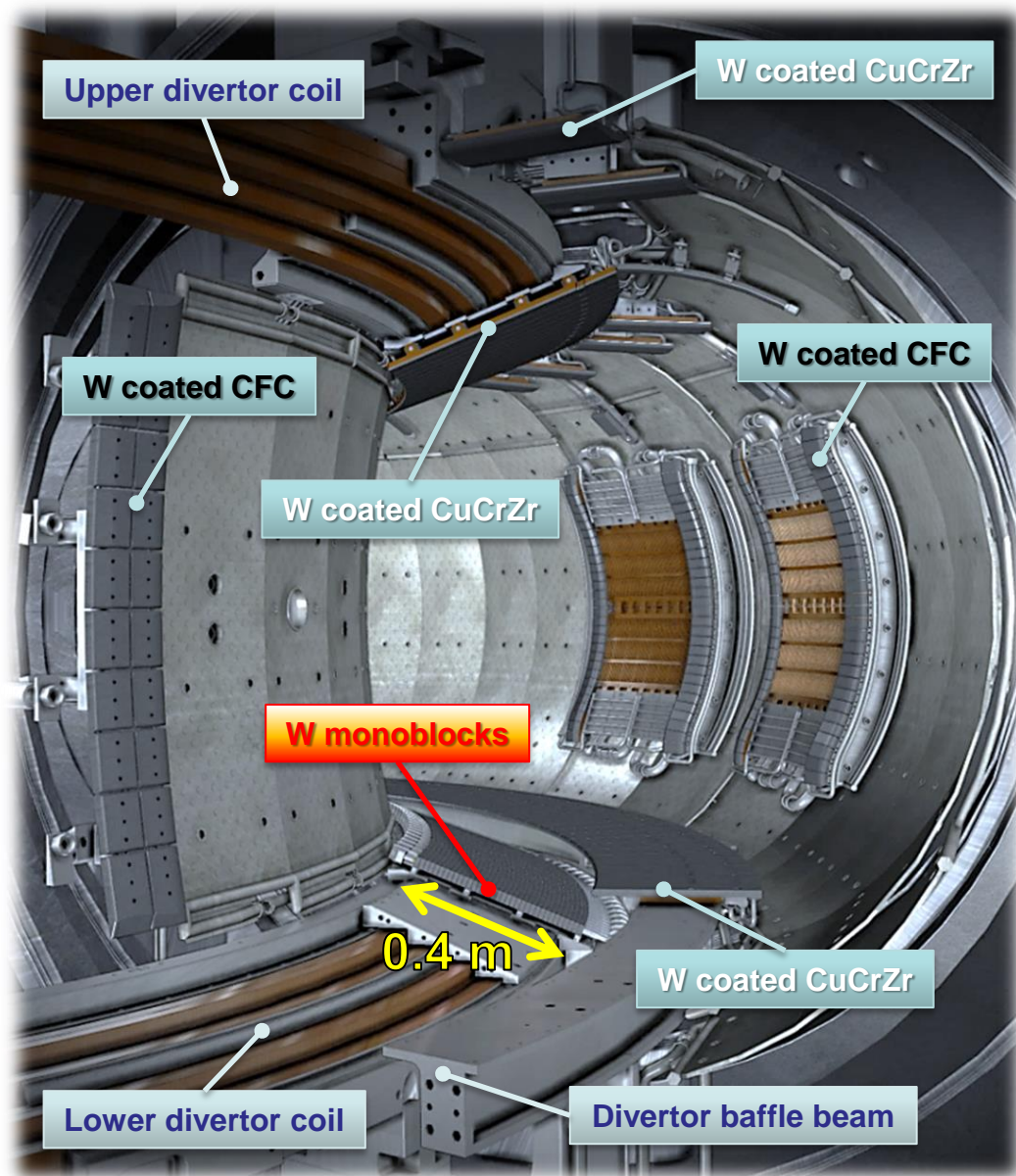
- All joint surfaces in four PFUs with a casting Cu interlayer successfully passed ultrasonic testing.
- Surface profile in the target part stayed within the required profile tolerance of  $\pm 0.25$  mm.
- Full-scale prototype withstood the repetitive heat load of  $10 \text{ MW/m}^2 \times 5000$  cycles and  $20 \text{ MW/m}^2 \times 1000$  cycles which is more than three times higher than the requirement (300 cycles).



- Collaboration with CEA (WEST project) PFUs based on technology of ITER divertor were provided to WEST-project.

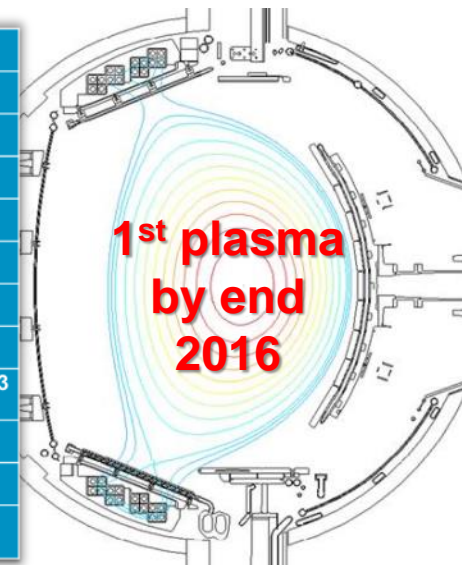


# WEST Tokamak Features



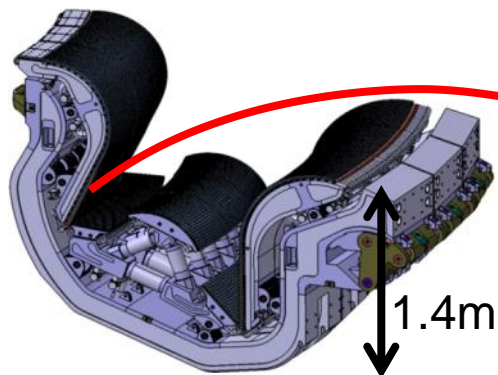
- Tungsten environment
- Actively cooled PFC → high heat exhaust capability
- Flexible divertor conf. (LSN, DN, USN) → heat load control
- Large aspect ratio and high shaping
- RF heating → no external momentum input
- **Long pulse capability → 1000s**

$I_p$ ( $q_{95} \sim 2.5$ )	1 MA
$B_T$	3.7 T
R	2.5 m
a	0.5 m
A	5-6
$\kappa$	1.3-1.8
$\delta$	0.5-0.6
$V_p$	15 m <sup>3</sup>
$n_{GW}$ (1MA)	$1.5 \cdot 10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}$
$P_{ICRH}$	9 MW
$P_{LHCD}$	7 MW
$T_{flattop}$ (0.8 MA)	1000 s



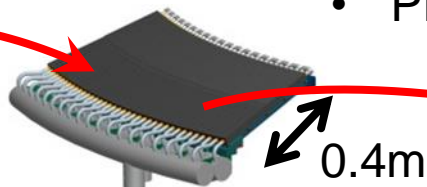
# WEST Program: risk mitigation for ITER full W divertor

WEST in support to ITER divertor procurement and operation

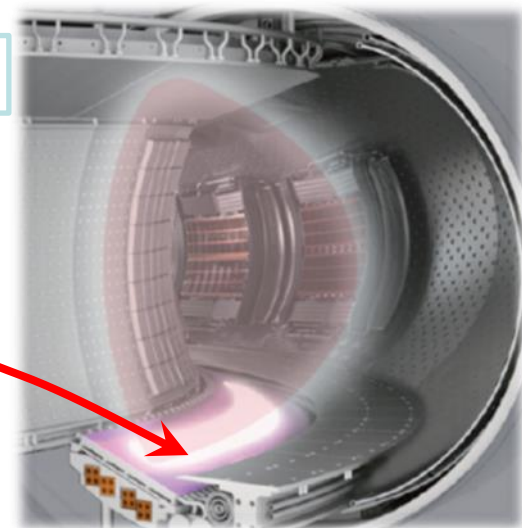


ITER divertor cassette

- PFC technology validation
- PFC lifetime



WEST divertor sector (30°)



Tokamak plasma exposure

## Large scale collaboration between ITER partners

- ITER Organization and Domestic Agencies: F4E and JADA
- ITER partners: China, India, Korea, Japan, USA and Europe



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Scientific program build with the input of the international fusion community (cf. WEST Research Plan) and steered by a Governing Board (WEST partners)

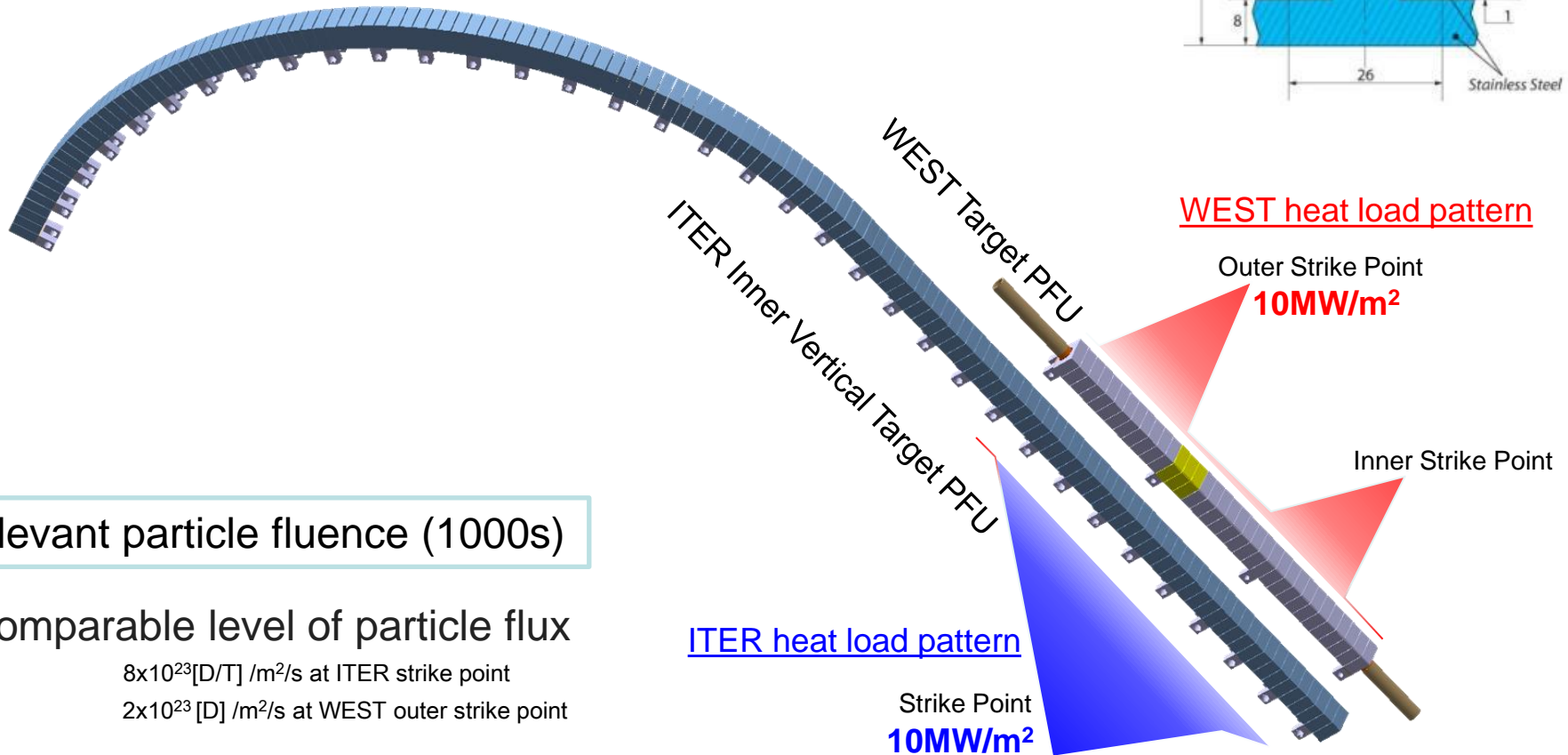
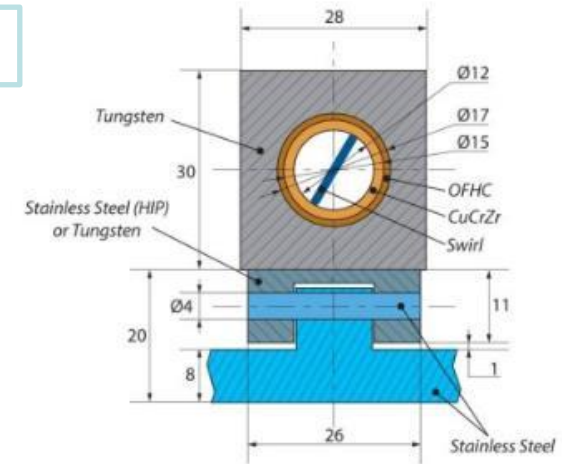
- Phase 1 (2016-2018): prototypes testing\* / short pulses / power handling issues
- Phase 2 (2019-2020's): large scale testing / long pulses / high particle fluences

*\*complemented by inertial tungsten coated graphite elements*

# WEST divertor PFU vs ITER divertor VT PFU

Similar geometry and technology (straight part of ITER VT)

Relevant steady-state heat load (10-20 MW/m<sup>2</sup>)



Relevant particle fluence (1000s)

Comparable level of particle flux

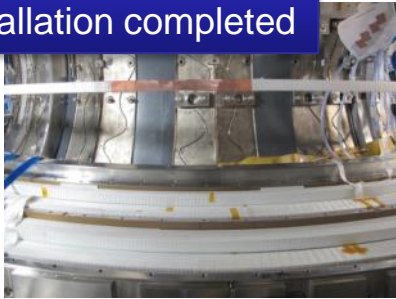
$8 \times 10^{23} [D/T] / m^2/s$  at ITER strike point

$2 \times 10^{23} [D] / m^2/s$  at WEST outer strike point

# WEST main component status

## In-vessel divertor coils

Installation completed



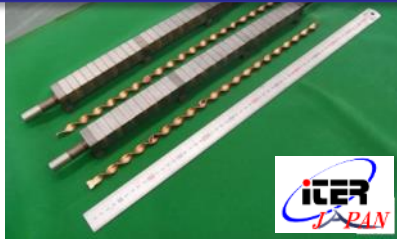
## Divertor power supplies

Commissioning started



## ITER-like target prototypes

Pre-characterization completed



## Tungsten coated PFC

Assembled sectors installation ongoing



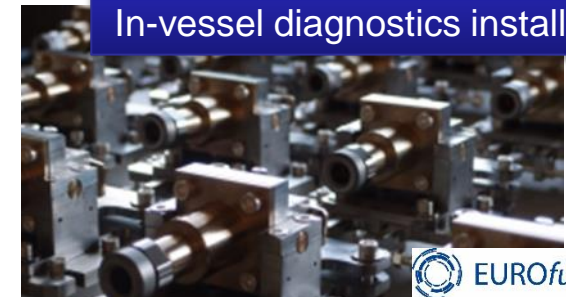
## ELM-resilient ICRH antennas

1<sup>st</sup> antenna assembly ongoing



## Key diagnostics

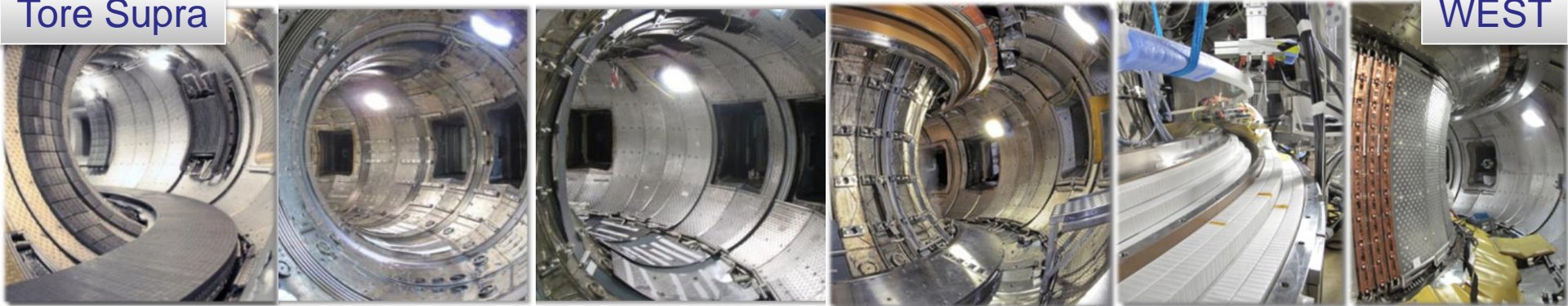
In-vessel diagnostics installed



# Load assembly and experiment schedule

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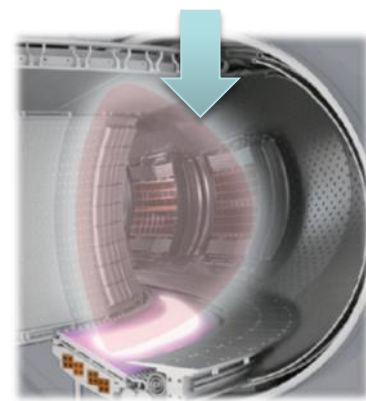


2013 ————— 2014 ————— 2015 ————— 2016 —————> Sept. 2016

## Major milestones achieved!

- Divertor coil SS thick casings assembled inside the vacuum vessel
- Divertor coil windings completed (>150 in-situ brazing joints)
- Vacuum vessel protection panels installed (outer and inner wall)

Last load assembly sequence ongoing with PFC sectors installation  
Vessel evacuation and coil impregnation scheduled in Nov.



December 2016  
**1st Plasma**

## Experimental timeline for WEST phase 1



# Summary of FIP/2-1Rb

## WEST to support ITER divertor strategy

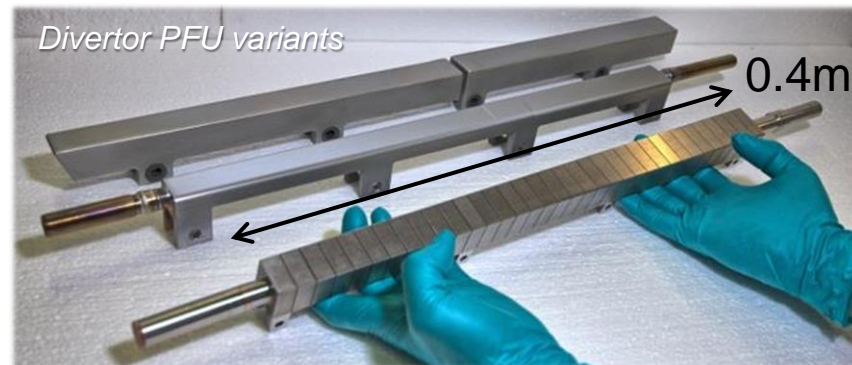
- Diverted tokamak with W environment and long pulse capability (1000 s)
- WEST divertor target representative of ITER divertor target
- Risk mitigation for ITER tungsten divertor procurement and operation

## WEST to start plasma operations soon

- Major components delivered and installed or being installed
- Last load assembly phase ongoing
- Vessel evacuation early November
- Plasma operations foreseen in December

## WEST first experimental campaigns

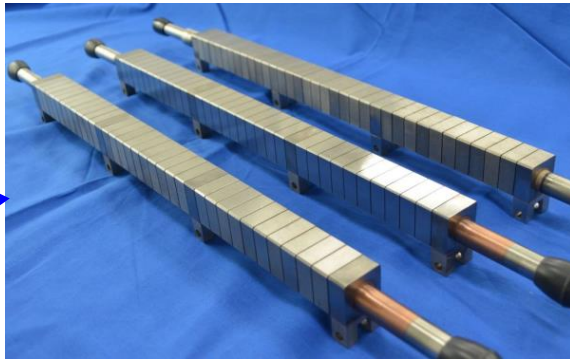
- Staged approach for WEST exploitation
- First phase with a mix of ITER-like and inertial Plasma Facing Units (PFU)
- ITER-like PFU prototypes in characterization phase
- First prototypes will be exposed during the first campaign to start in February



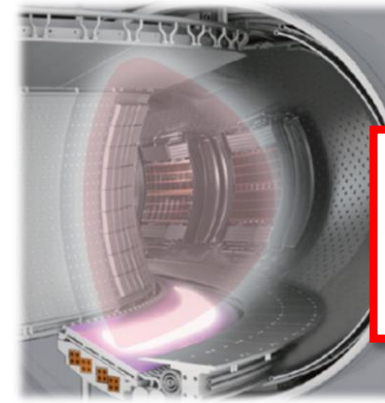
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Full-W divertor is common challenge for the international community.  
Mutual-aid relationship is on time for each schedule.

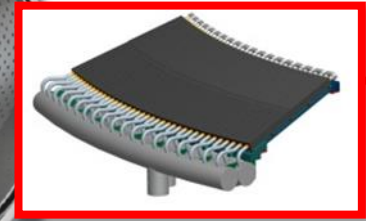
## Experiment in Plasma



## WEST-CEA



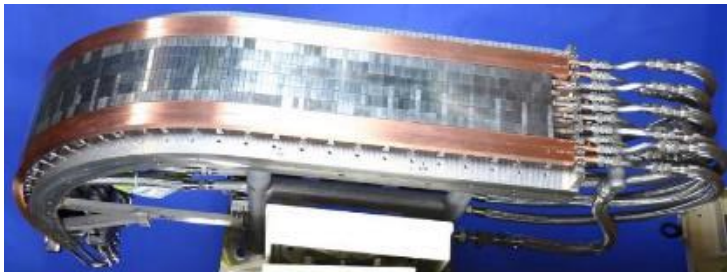
## WEST-Divertor



Supply of PFU

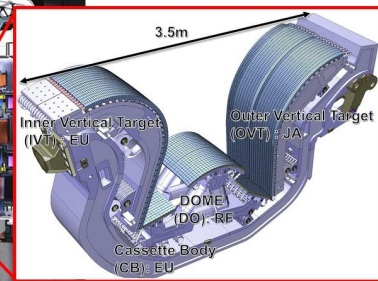
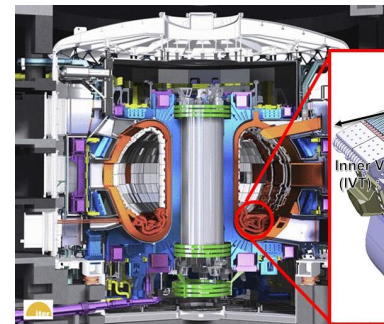
PFC technology validation & PFC life time

## Manufacturing Technology



## ITER, JADA

## ITER-Divertor



# Thank you

