

# Power exhaust studies in the Divertor Tokamak Test facility

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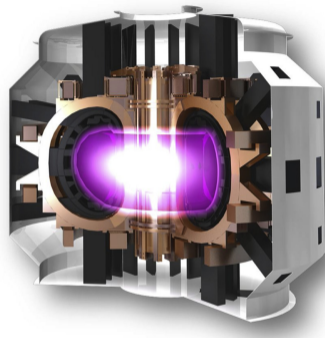
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# Introduction



- A new tokamak, named Divertor Tokamak Test (DTT) will be built in Italy
- Its main scientific goal will be to **investigate energy and particle exhausts in order to withstand the load expected in fusion power plant** (Mazzitelli *et al.* 2019)
- The budget for the experiment has been approved and secured
- It will be built in Frascati with an estimated **construction time of 7 years** and an expected **operation time of 25 years**

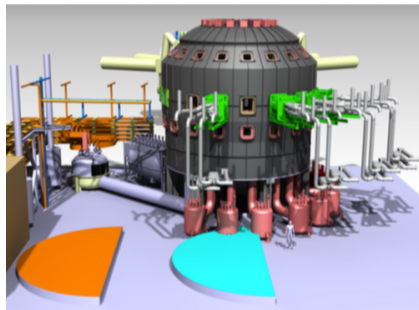


# DTT at a glance



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- DTT flexible design to accommodate the best candidate divertor concept by EUROfusion after PEX activities (around 2022-2023)
- Up-down symmetry to allow DN configuration
- The foreseen additional power and power mix **must guarantee significant DEMO relevant results**

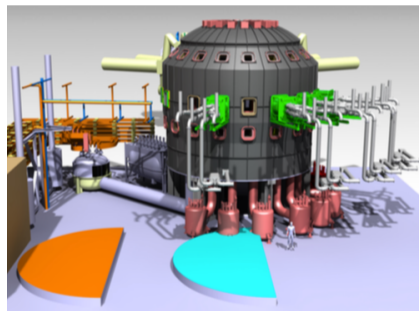


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$n/n_G$	0.45
$P_{sep}/R$	15
$\langle T_e \rangle$ [keV]	6.1
$\langle n \rangle [10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}]$	1.72
$k$	1.89
$\delta$	0.46
$\beta_N$	1.5
$\nu^*$	2.5
$\rho^*$	2.8



# DTT Technology

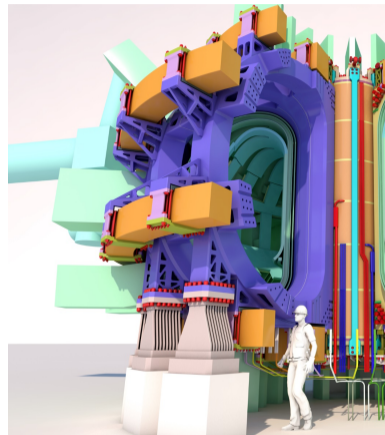


	TF	CS	PF	In-vessel
Number	18	6	6	6
Type	Nb3Sn	Nb3Sn	Nb3Sn	Cu

**On-going design of additional HTS coil to be inserted into the Central Solenoid (10% flux increase test))**

**Vessel** 2 stainless steel vessel shells of 1.5cm. 2 toroidally discontinuous stabilizing plates of 4cm

**Divertor** 54 toroidal sectors or cassettes (symmetric wrt equatorial plane). Remote handling compatible

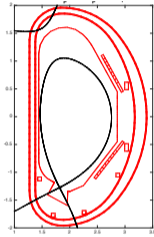


(Albanese *et al.* 2018; Di Gironimo *et al.* 2019)

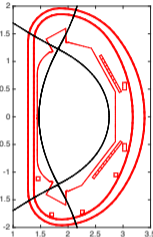
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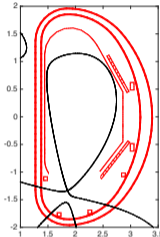
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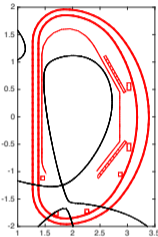
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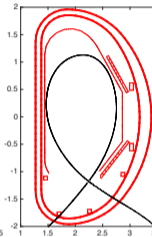
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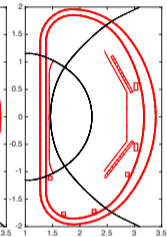
**XD-4.5MA**



**NT-5.0MA**



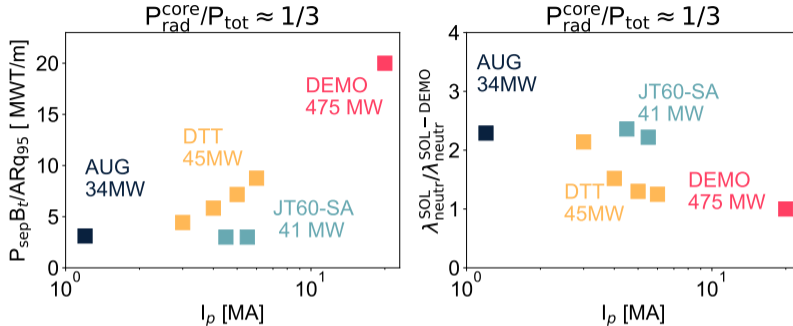
**DSX-3.MA**



The facility will offer sufficient flexibility to incorporate the best candidate divertor concept even at a later stage of its realization, on the basis of the results of PEX activities. (Ambrosino *et al.* 2019)



# DTT Plasma scenarios



(De Baar et al., Final Report of the Plasma Exhaust Ad Hoc Group (PEX AHG), Phase 3 (2018) )

- DTT can reach high levels of SOL loading with Demo Relevant  $P_{\text{sep}}/R \geq 15$  MW/R
- SOL neutral penetration comparable to the one foreseen for DEMO
- Phase I 25 MW (15 MW ECRH, 3 MW ICRH, 7MW NNBI), Phase II 45 MW (20-30 MW ECRH, 3-9 MW ICRH, 7-15 MW NNBI) (Agostinetti *et al.* 2019; Ceccuzzi *et al.* 2018; Garavaglia *et al.* 2018)
- High density (core and pedestal)  $n_{e,c} \approx 2 \times 10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}$  and a  $n_{e,\text{ped}} \approx 1.4 \times 10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}$

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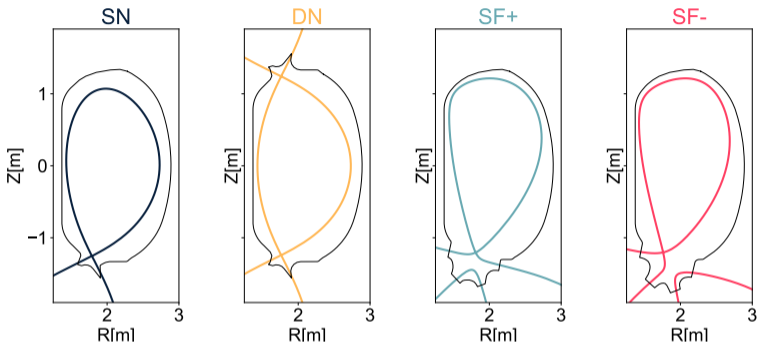
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- Based on relatively large  $\lambda_{q,u} \approx 3$  mm kept constant for all the configurations
- SOLEDGE2D-Eirene (Bufferand *et al.* 2013) simulations without drift with the following parameters
  - $\chi_{\perp} = 0.15 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  and  $D_{\perp} = 0.352 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  compatible with  $\lambda_{q,u} \approx 3$
  - Tungsten wall and divertor
  - Fixed particle flux from the core  $\Gamma_c = 0.3 \times 10^{22} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and gas-puffing  $\Gamma_{puff} = 3 \times 10^{22} \text{ s}^{-1}$
  - $P_{sep}$  power scan at high density  $1 \times 10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3}$  ( $n_{sep}/n_G \approx 0.25$ )
  - Two different seeding scan with Ne and Ar at two values of separatrix greenwald fraction  $n_{sep}/n_G \approx 0.12$  and **0.25**

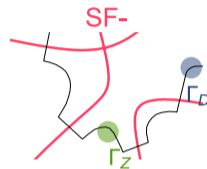
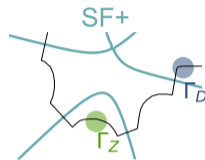
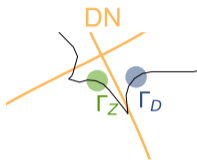
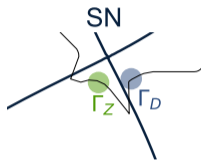


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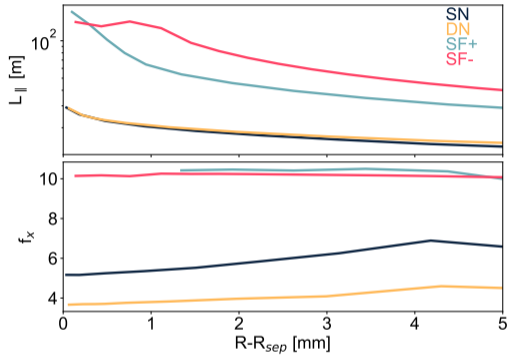
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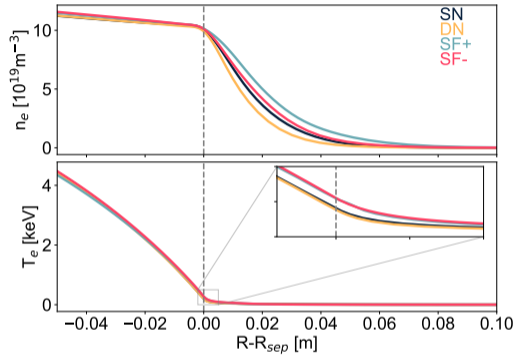
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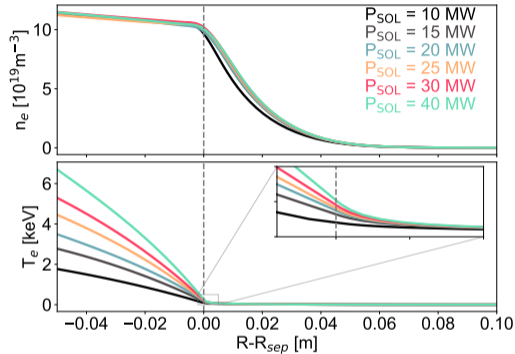
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- A first major difference is observed **in attached configuration**, with larger **upstream** SOL density in SF configuration
- Larger temperature at the separatrix observed in SF configurations



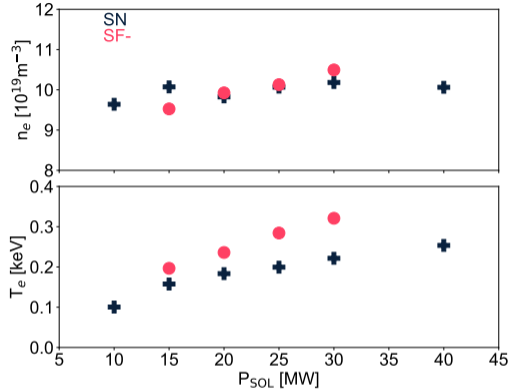
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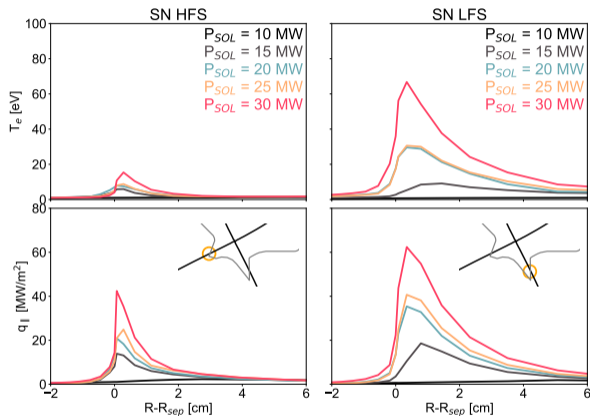
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- Comparing separatrix density and temperature during a power scan in SN and SF- reveals a Faster increase of  $T_{e,sep}$  with power for SF- configuration



# Target profiles in SN and SF- configurations

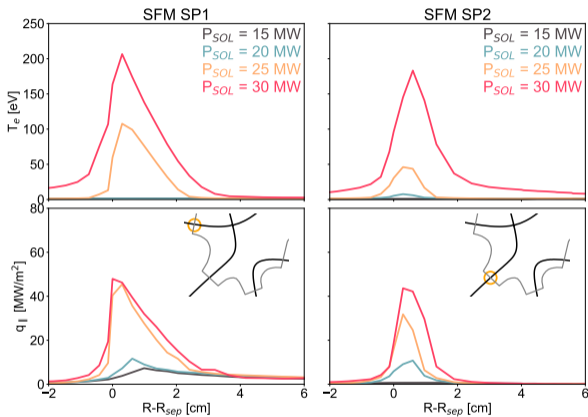


- **In SN configuration** Larger heat flux observed on the OSP (even without drift)
- A scan in power reveal a detachment threshold around 10 MW for SN configuration





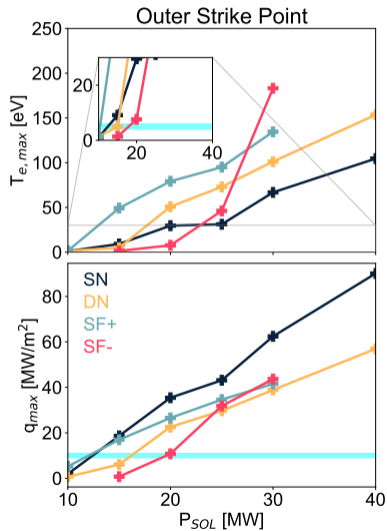
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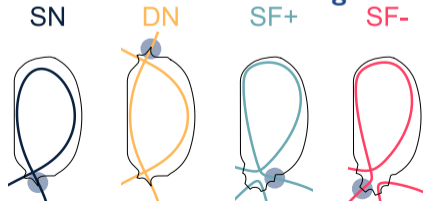
- In SF- configuration most of the power is diverted to SP1 and SP2. **The maximum heat flux always lower than SN configuration**
- **Higher temperature observed in attached condition in both the target**
- SF- configuration exhibits detachment at higher power  $P_{SOL} \approx 15 - 20$  MW



# Power scan in SN, SF-, SF+ and DN configuration

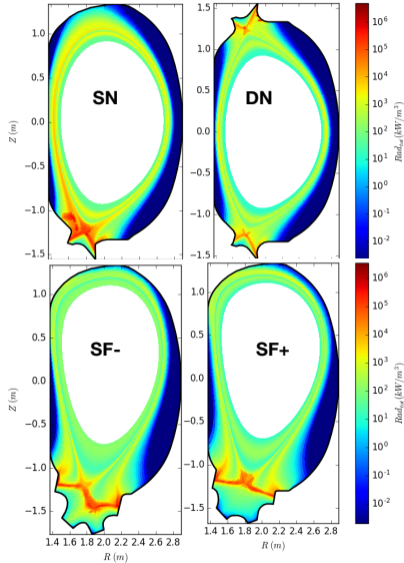


- A power scan reveals that the **Outer Strike Point (OSP)** exhibits the lower temperature in attached conditions in **SN configuration**
- OSP detachment achieved in SN and DN configuration **only at very low power:**
- **SF-** configuration detaches at higher power w.r.t the other configurations





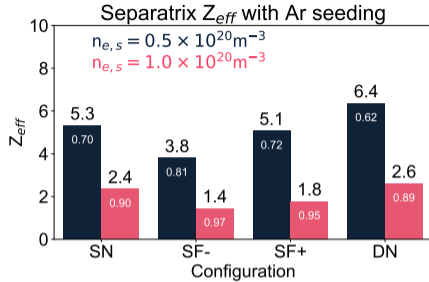
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- **Ar seeding** with Density at the separatrix  
 $n_{\text{sep}} = 10^{20} \text{m}^{-3}$  and  $P_{\text{sep}} = 36 \text{MW}$
- Ar puffing increases in order to reach 90% radiation fraction: **DEMO-like scenarios**



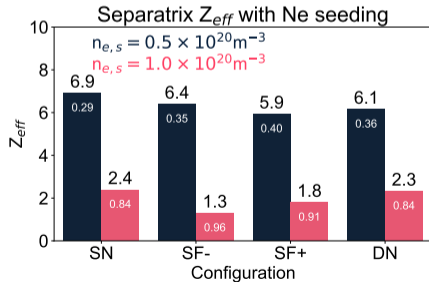
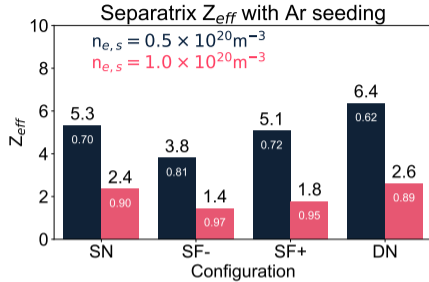
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- **Ne seeding provides even lower  $Z_{eff}$  at high density likely due to lower temperatures**






# Conclusions



- DTT tokamak will be built at Frascati, Italy
- DTT device will provide non-nuclear plasmas performance with high level of SOL loading
- Initial Plasma Exhaust studies reveal that conventional SN configuration will require impurity seeding to reach detachment
- SF configuration able to reach pure D<sub>2</sub> detachment at higher P<sub>SOL</sub>
- At high density reasonable seeded impurity concentration obtained in all the configurations, with alternative snow-flake solutions providing lower concentration at the separatrix
- Integrated modeling (not described here) started to combine core and edge modeling






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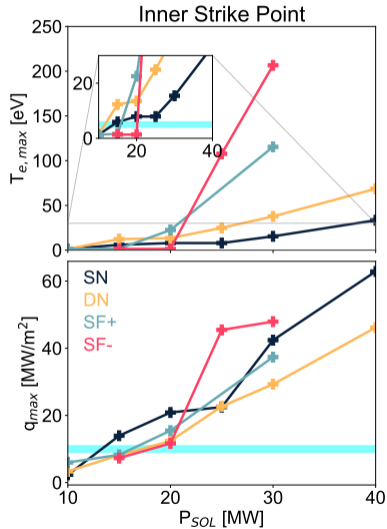
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# Spare slides: ISP power scan



- A power scan reveals that **at the Inner Strike point (ISP)**, the **SN configuration exhibits the lower temperature in attached conditions**
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