



# Nuclear Issues for LiPb/FS/He System with Internal VV

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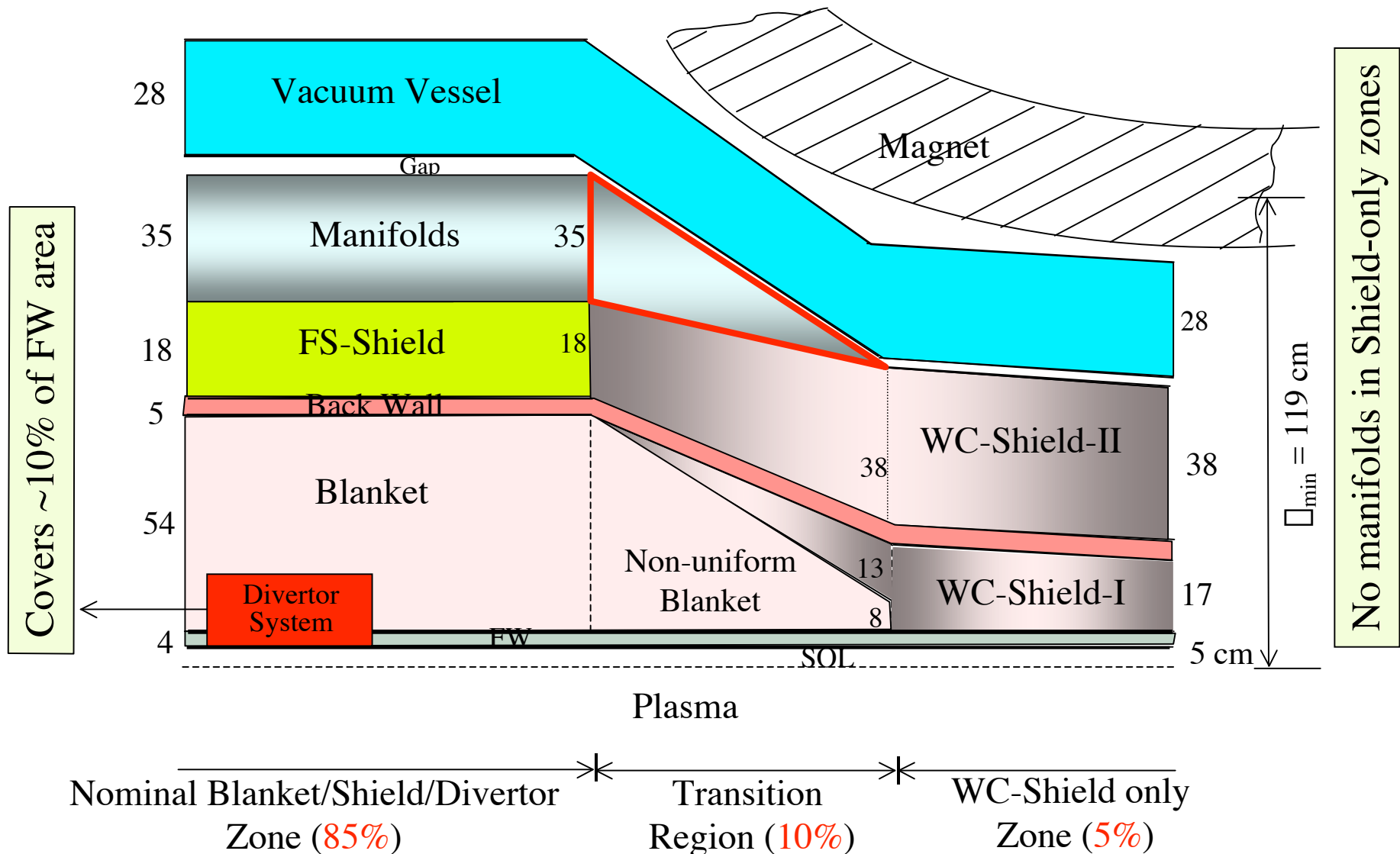
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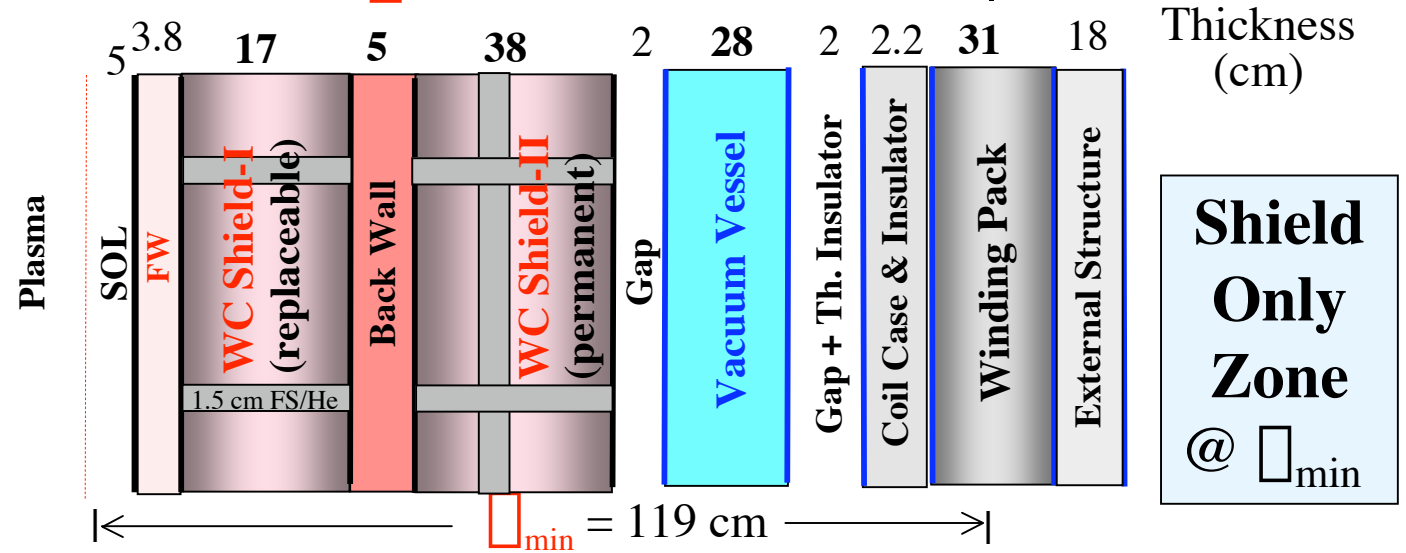
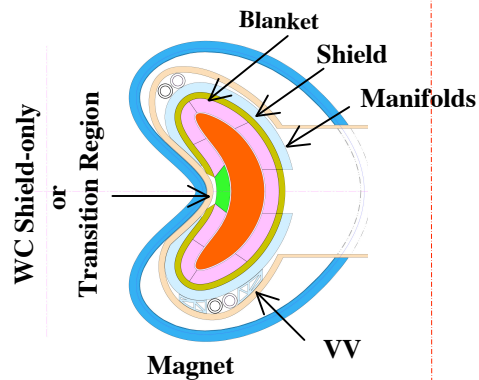
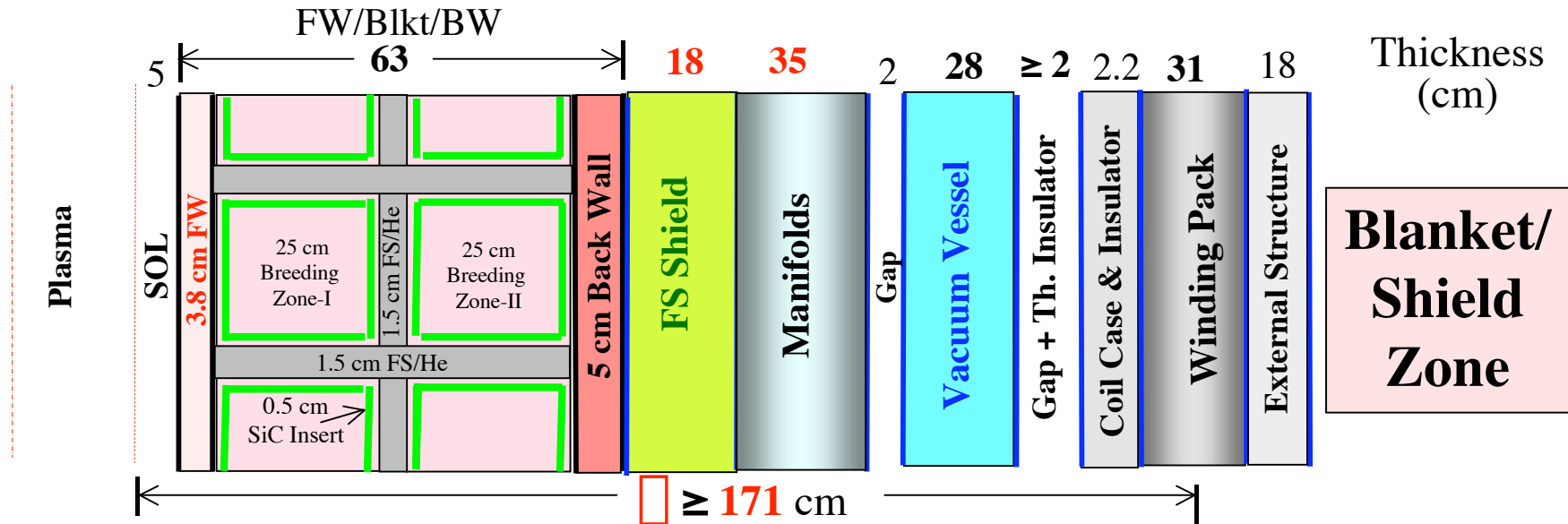
- Reference **radial build**.
- **Hot spots** behind LiPb/He access tubes.
- Thermal **power split** between LiPb and He coolants.
- **LiPb decay heat** for LOCA/LOFA.
- **Radwaste volume** comparison.
- Future plan.

# Radial/Toroidal Cross Section



# Reference Radial Build

(3 MW/m<sup>2</sup> peak  $\square$ )





# Composition

(Nominal Blanket/Shield and Shield-only zones)  
(no divertor info)

<u>Component</u>	<u>Thickness</u>	<u>Coverage Fraction</u>	<u>Composition</u>
<b>FW*</b>	3.8 cm	100%	34% FS Structure 66% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>Blanket*</b>	54.3 cm	85% <sup>#</sup>	79% LiPb (90% enriched Li) 7% SiC Inserts (95% d.f.) 6% FS Structure 8% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>Back Wall*</b>	5 cm	100%	80% FS Structure 20% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>FS Shield</b>	18 cm	85%	15% FS Structure 10% <b>He</b> Coolant 75% Borated Steel Filler
<b>Manifolds</b>	35 cm	85%	52% FS Structure 24% LiPb (90% enriched Li) 24% <b>He</b> Coolant <b>?% SiC Inserts ???</b> ←
<b>WC Shield-I*</b> (shield-only zone)	17-21 cm	5%	88% WC Filler 5% FS Structure 7% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>WC Shield-II</b> (shield-only zone)	38 cm	5%	15% FS Structure 10% <b>He</b> Coolant 75% WC Filler
<b>VV</b>	28 cm	100%	28% FS Structure 49% <b>Water</b> 23% Borated Steel Filler

\* Replaceable component.

# For blanket and divertor,



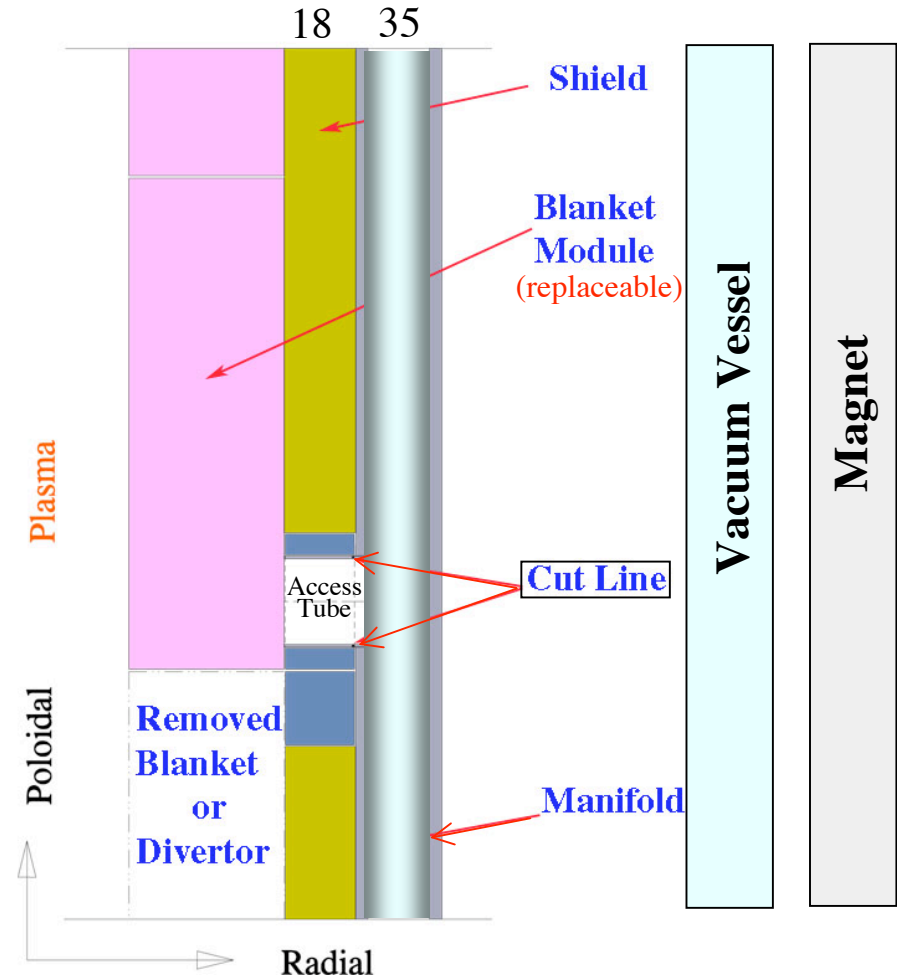
# Composition (Transition Region)

<u>Component</u>	<u>Av. Thickness</u>	<u>Coverage Fraction</u>	<u>Composition</u>
<b>FW*</b>	3.8 cm		34% FS Structure 66% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>Blanket*</b>	31 cm	10%	~79% LiPb (90% enriched Li) ~ 7% SiC Inserts ~ 6% FS Structure ~ 8% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>Back Wall*</b>	5 cm		80% FS Structure 20% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>WC Shield-I*</b>	7 cm	10%	88% WC Filler 5% FS Structure 7% <b>He</b> Coolant
<b>WC Shield-II</b>	28 cm	10%	15% FS Structure 10% <b>He</b> Coolant 75% WC Filler
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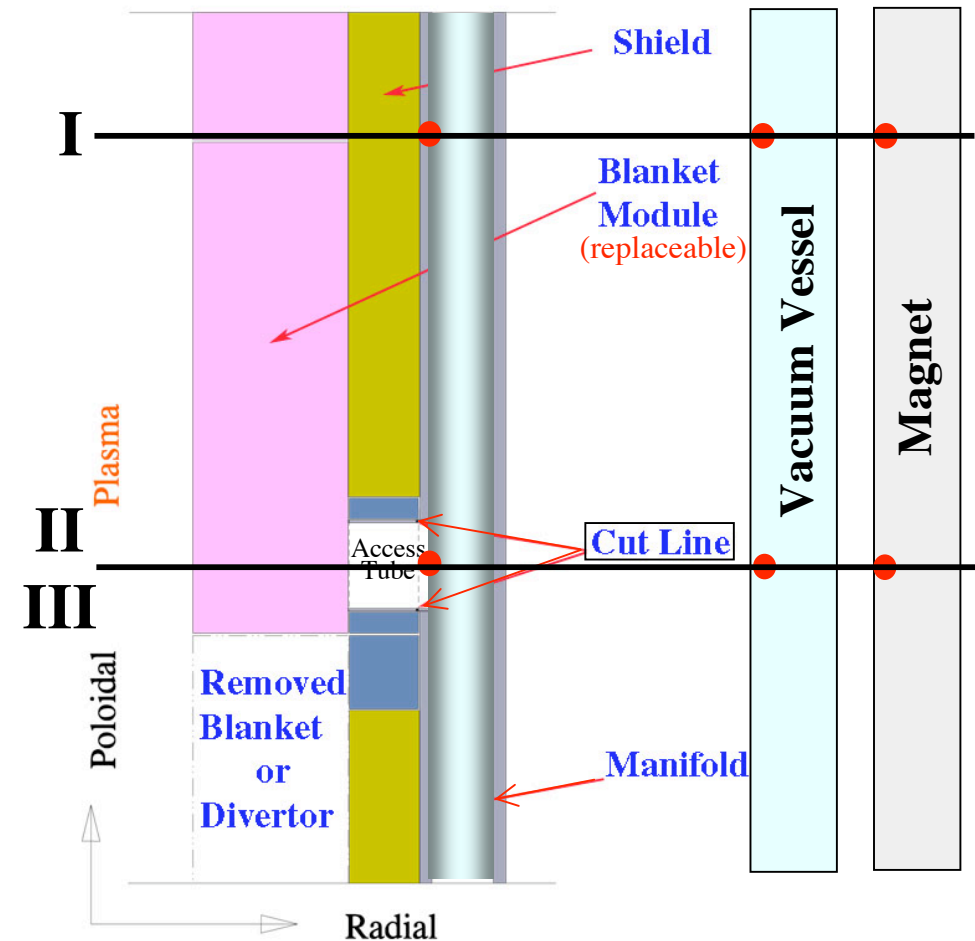
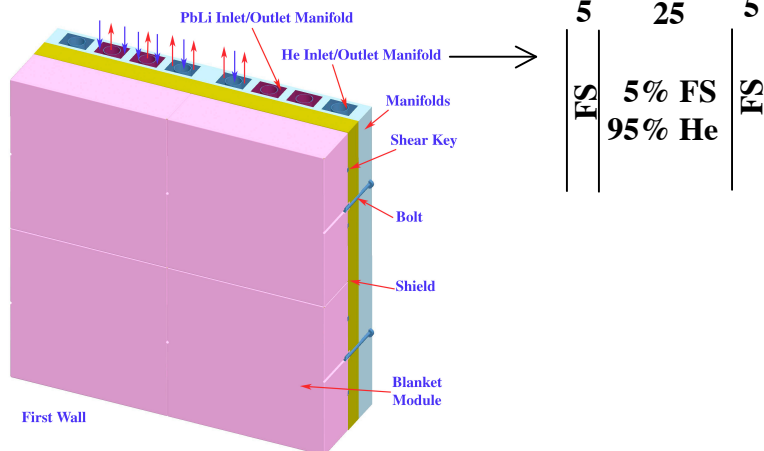
# Neutron Streaming Through He/LiPb Access Tubes (23 cm OD)

- 18 cm thick shield along with He manifolds protect VV and magnet.
- 18 cm shield does not allow reweldability of manifolds.
- 206 access tubes for each coolant (4 He and 4 LiPb access tubes / m).
- Neutrons streaming through access tubes result in hot spots at VV and magnet.
- Damage behind **He** access tubes could be excessive (He replaces 22 cm of FS).
- 2-D analysis needed to confirm 1-D findings.



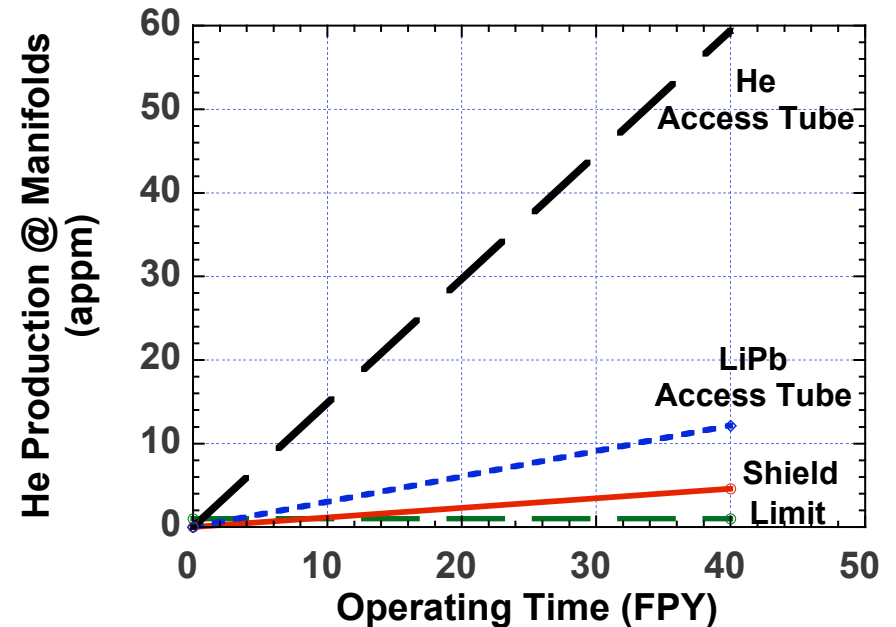
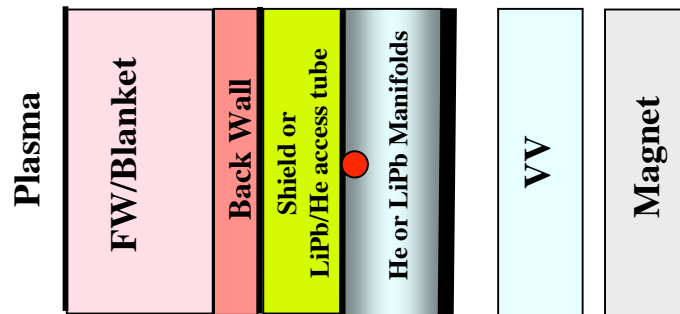
# Neutron Streaming Through He/LiPb Access Tubes (Cont.) (23 cm OD)

- 1-D analyses performed at **3 cross sections**:
  - Blanket, shield, He manifolds
  - Blanket, LiPb access tube, and LiPb manifolds
  - Blanket, He access tube, and He manifolds.
- Conservatively estimated:
  - He production at manifolds
  - He production at VV
  - Fluence at magnet.





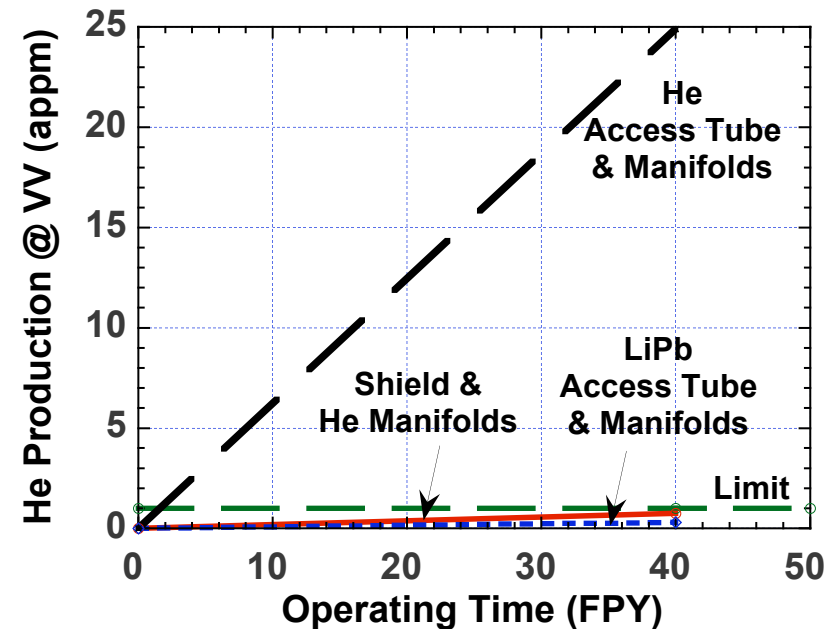
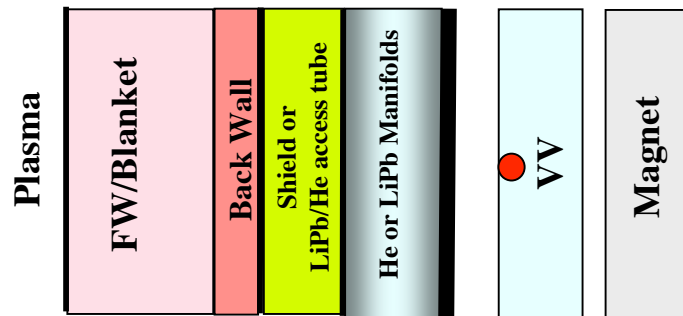
# He Production at Manifolds



He production at manifolds is excessive

- Modify design to allow reweldability of manifolds

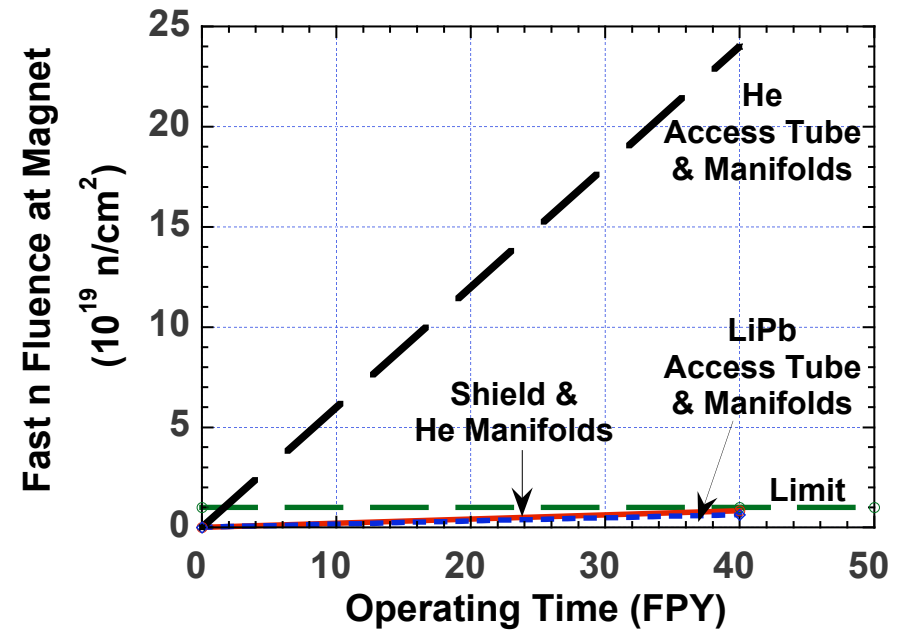
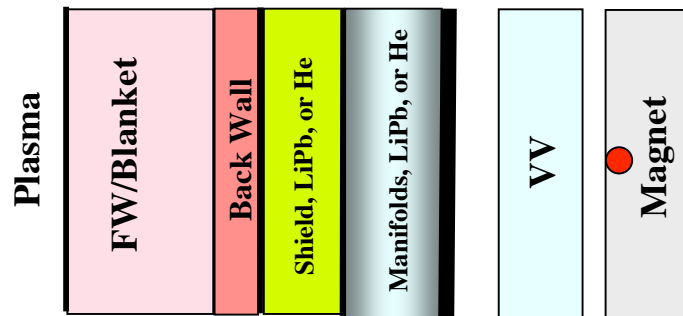
# He Production at VV



VV cannot be rewelded after few FPY

~25 cm local shield behind 206 He access tubes helps protect VV and magnet. Practical?

# Fluence at Magnet



High n fluence behind He access tubes degrades  $J_c$  of superconductor

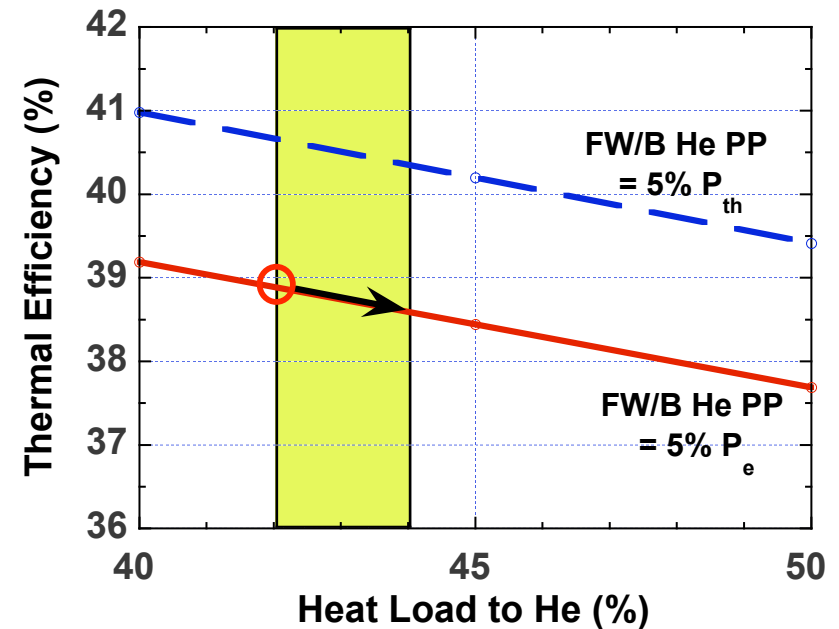
Innovative solutions must be developed to solve streaming problems

# Thermal Power Split between LiPb and He Coolants (2 MW/m<sup>2</sup> av. □)

## Assumptions:

- Full **blanket coverage** (no shield-only zones)
- 415 MW **surface heating** to FW and divertor
- 90% of **He pumping power** recovered as thermal heat
- 100 MW **heat leak** from hot LiPb to colder He
- No info on **divertor He PP**.

Heat Load (MW)	He	LiPb
Surface Heating	415	
90% of FW/B He PP	45	
FW	160	
Breeding Zone-I	108	1122
Breeding Zone-II	23	303
Back wall	12	
Shield/Manifolds	76	4
Leakage from LiPb to He	<u>100</u>	<u>- 100</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>~940</b> <b>(~42%)</b>	<b>~1330</b> <b>(~58%)</b>



Including shield-only zones and divertor He PP increase heat load to He

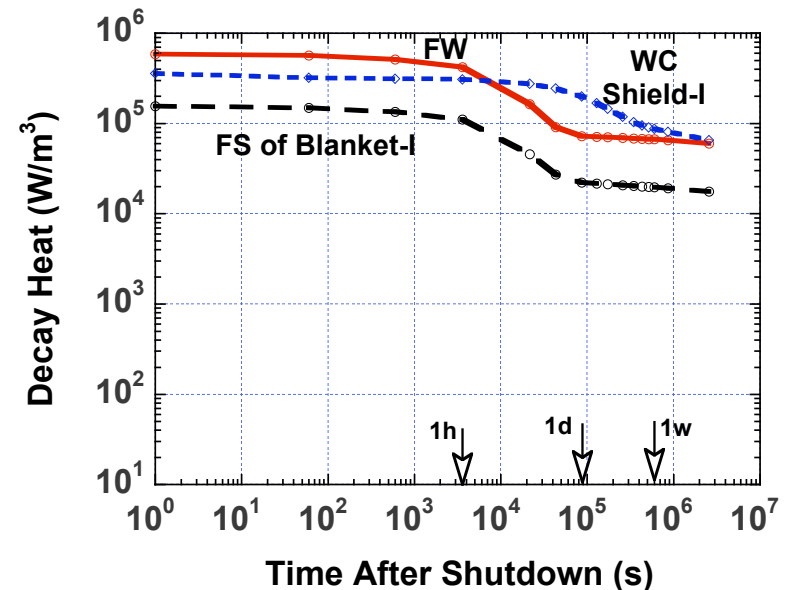
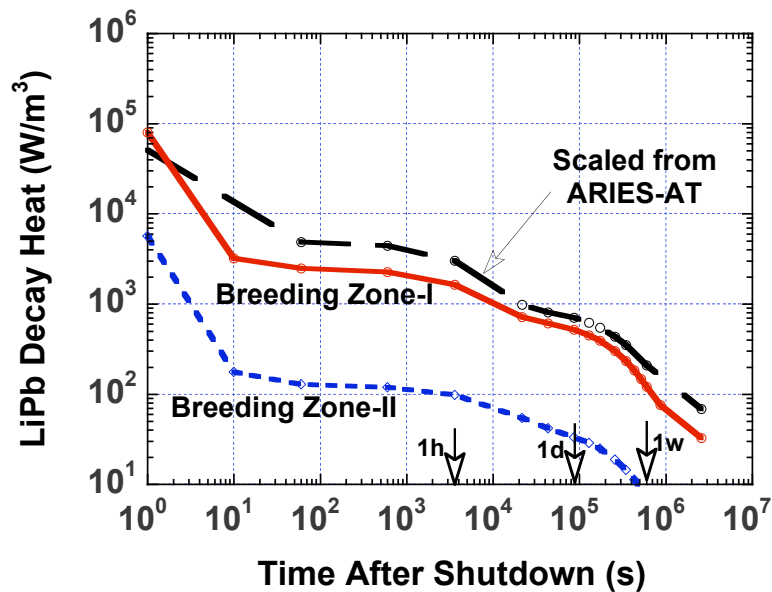
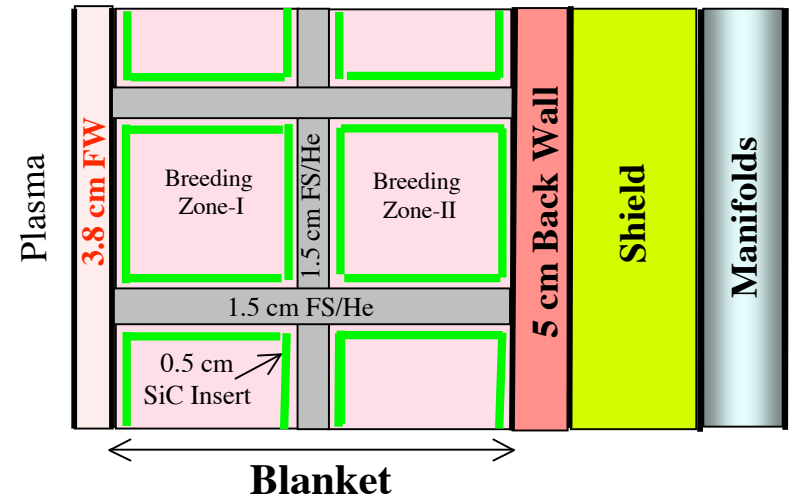
$$\square \quad \square_{th} < 39\%$$

# LiPb Decay Heat

(2 MW/m<sup>2</sup> av.  $\square$ )

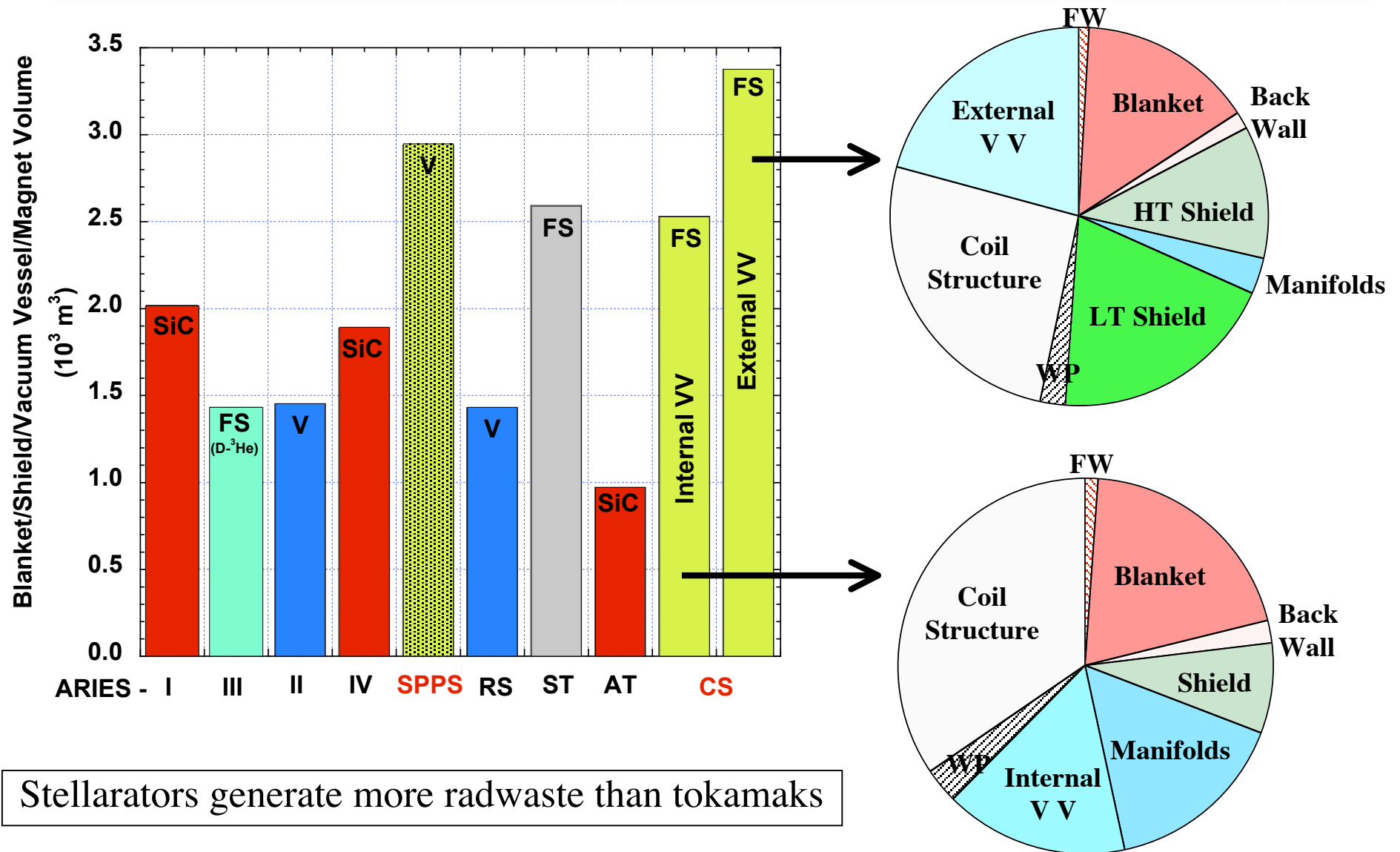
## Assumptions:

- LiPb  $V_{out}/V_{in} \sim 1.5$
- In-blanket residence time  $\sim 1$  min
- Ex-vessel residence time  $\sim 1.5$  min
- LiPb contains no T (removed online)
- 40 FPY of operation with 85% avail.



# Radwaste Volumes

(un-compacted, no replacements)  
(ARIES-CS: 3 FP, R=8.25 m, 100% blanket coverage)





# Reference Radial Build and Composition

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**posted @**

<http://fti.neep.wisc.edu/aries-cs/builds/build.html>

**& Updated after each project meeting**  
to reflect latest changes to nuclear parameters  
and dimensions/compositions of  
ARIES-CS components  
(FW, blanket, shield, VV, and magnet)

# Future Plan

- If needed, include **He manifolds** in radial build of shield-only zones and **readjust**  $\square_{\min}$
- Assess impact of **divertor** system on **overall TBR** using 1-D and/or 3-D!
- UW/UCSD solve **streaming problem** for He access tubes.
- Confirm with **2-D estimate** for damage behind modified access tubes.
- **Update magnet** dimension and composition, if available.
- Develop **radial build for 2 FP** configuration, if needed.
- **Publications:**

**Incorporate reviewers' comments and submit final version to:**

– **FS&T journal :**

Evolution of Clearance Standards and Implications for Radwaste Management of Fusion Power Plants

L. El-Guebaly, P. Wilson, and D. Paige

– **FED journal:**

Managing fusion high level waste – a strategy for burning the long-lived products in fusion devices

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Potential coatings for Li/V system: nuclear performance and design issues

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**Prepare manuscript for ICFRM-12 conference (12/05):**

The Feasibility of Recycling and Clearance of Active Materials from a Fusion Power Plant

M. Zucchetti, L. El-Guebaly, R. Forrest, T. Marshall, N. Taylor, K. Tobita