



Impact of Water-Free VV on ARIES-ACT-SiC Inboard Radial Build

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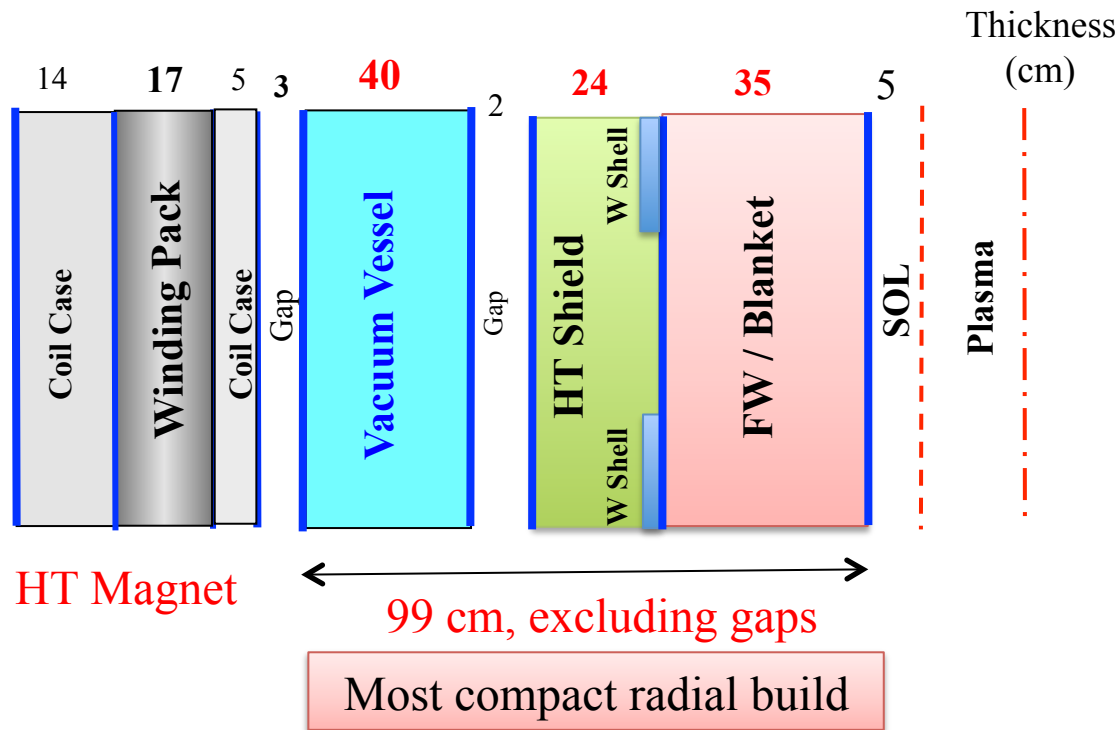
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2006 **ARIES-AT** Inboard Radial Build

(Peak IB $\Gamma = 3.2 \text{ MW/m}^2$)



VV:

13% FS Structure
22% H_2O
65% WC

HT Shield:

15% SiC Structure
10% LiPb
70% B-FS filler
5% W Shell

Ref.: L.A. El-Guebaly, "Nuclear Performance Assessment of ARIES-AT,"
Fusion Engineering and Design 80 (2006) 99-110.



Proposed Changes for ARIES-ACT

Impact on radial Build

(Increase ↑ or decrease ↓)

- LT magnet replacing HT magnet.
- 20 cm thick **Skeleton Ring** (formerly HT shield)
- He cooled Skeleton Ring (formerly HT shield):
 - Replace LiPb by He
 - Replace SiC structure by FS structure
- 10 cm thick He-cooled VV:
 - no water
 - Exclude materials with high **decay heat** (such as WC) to control FS temperature during LOCA. To be confirmed*
- 2 cm thick **He-cooled Thermal Shield** between VV and magnets.
- Minor changes: higher NWL, 70% Li enrichment, 3Cr-3WV or 316-SS steel for VV, thinner coil case, HT magnet composition.



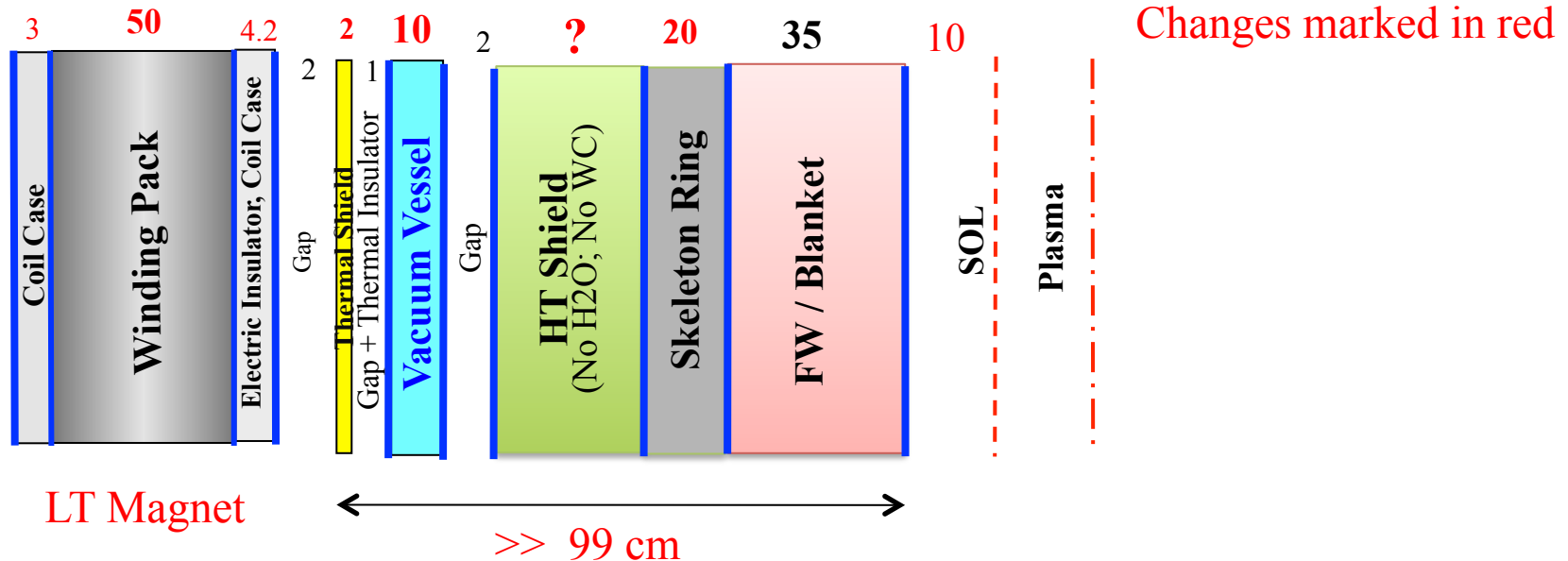
⇒ Most changes lead to larger radial build

* SiC structure of FW/blanket generates low decay heat and can tolerate higher temp than FS structure.
Is there a need to exclude W (or WC) for Shielding Block behind IB assembly gaps?



ARIES-ACT-SiC Inboard Radial Build

(Peak IB $\Gamma = 3.3 \text{ MW/m}^2$)



HT shield thickness **and** composition will be optimized to protect magnet.



ARIES-ACT-SiC Radiation Limits

Calculated Overall TBR
Net TBR (for T self-sufficiency)

1.05 (TBD from 3-D analysis)
~1.01

Damage to Structure
(for structural integrity)

3% Burnup for SiC structure
200 dpa for advanced FS Struc.

Helium Production @ VV
(for reweldability of FS structure)

1 He appm

LT S/C Magnets (@ 4 K):
Peak fast n fluence to Nb₃Sn ($E_n > 0.1$ MeV)
Peak nuclear heating
Peak dpa to Cu stabilizer
Peak dose to GFF polyimide insulator

10^{19} n/cm²
2 mW/cm³
 6×10^{-3} dpa
 $< 10^{11}$ rads

Plant Lifetime

40 FPY

Availability

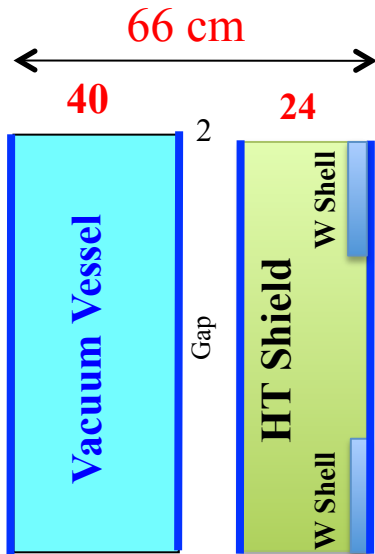
85%

Operational Dose to Workers and Public

< 2.5 mrem/h

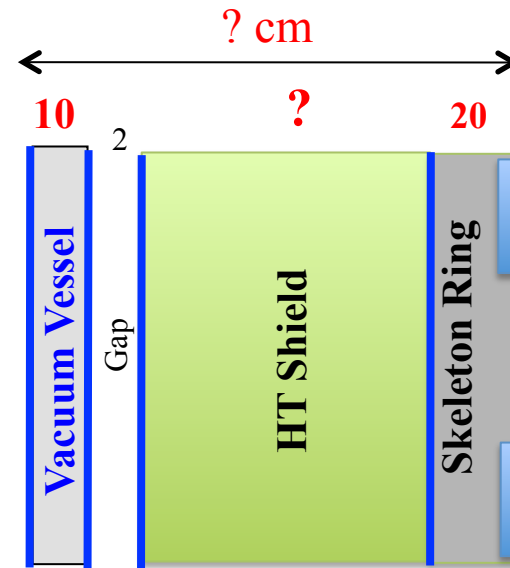


ARIES-ACT-SiC Inboard Options



Option I

Thick VV with H_2O and WC filler
Thin HT shield/Skeleton Ring
(a la ARIES-AT)

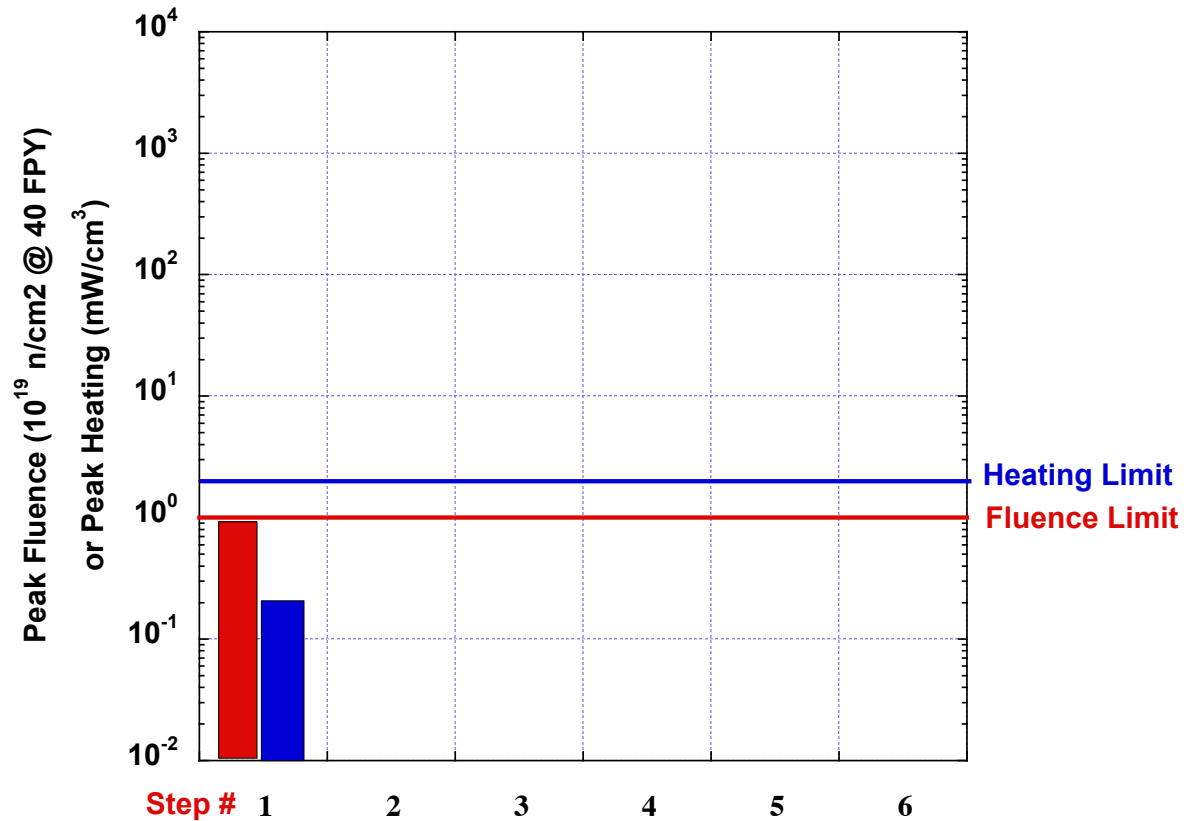
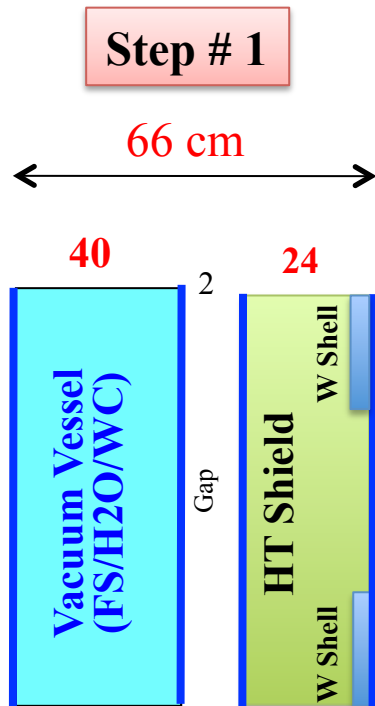


Option II

Thin He-cooled VV
Thick HT shield



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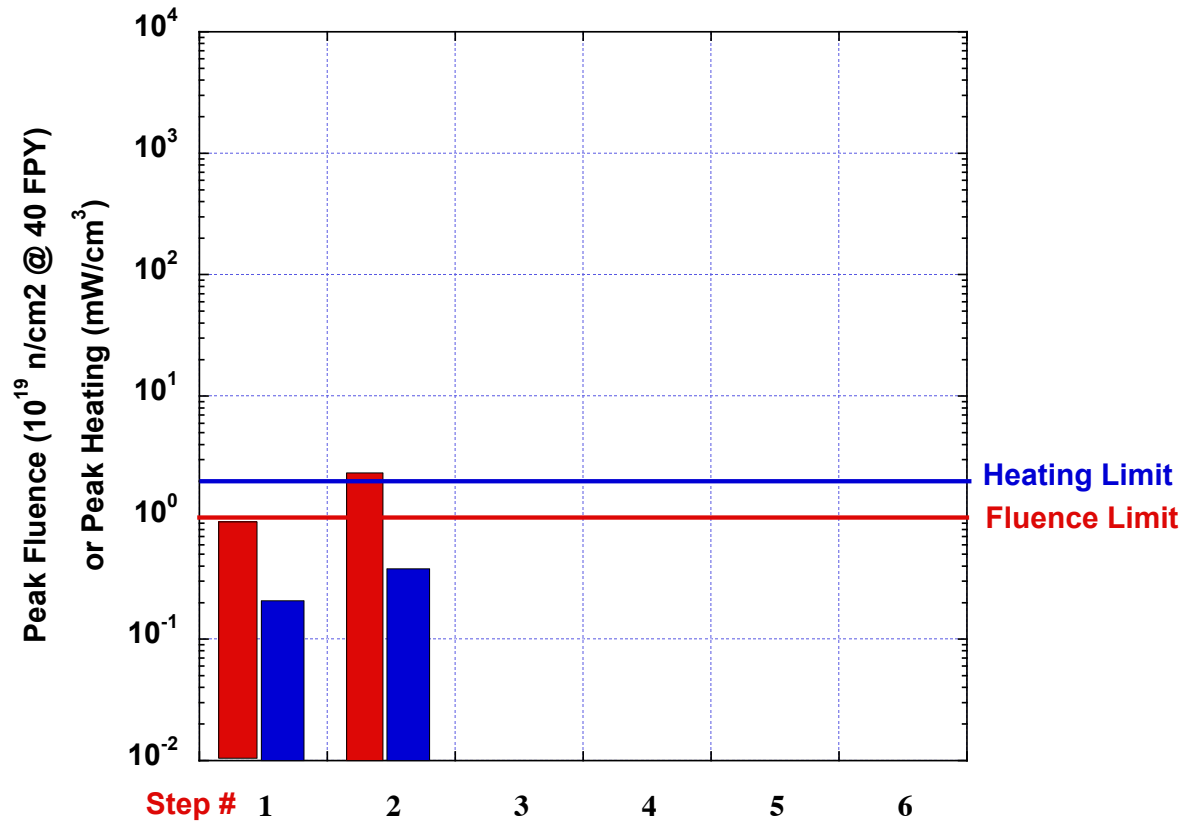
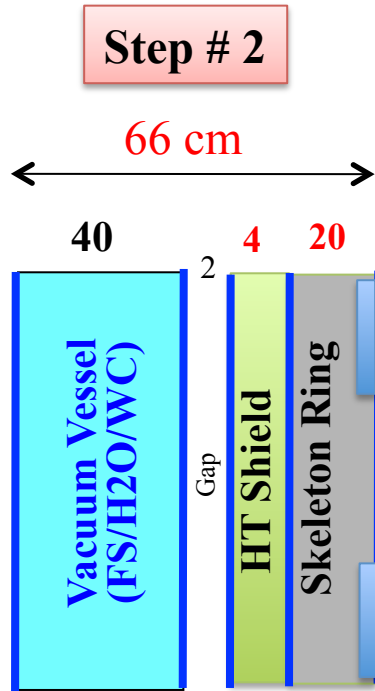
a la ARIES-AT:

40 cm VV with **H₂O** and WC filler

Thin (24 cm) HT shield (**LiPb** cooled)



ARIES-ACT-SiC Inboard Options (Cont.)



ARIES-ACT Parameters with:

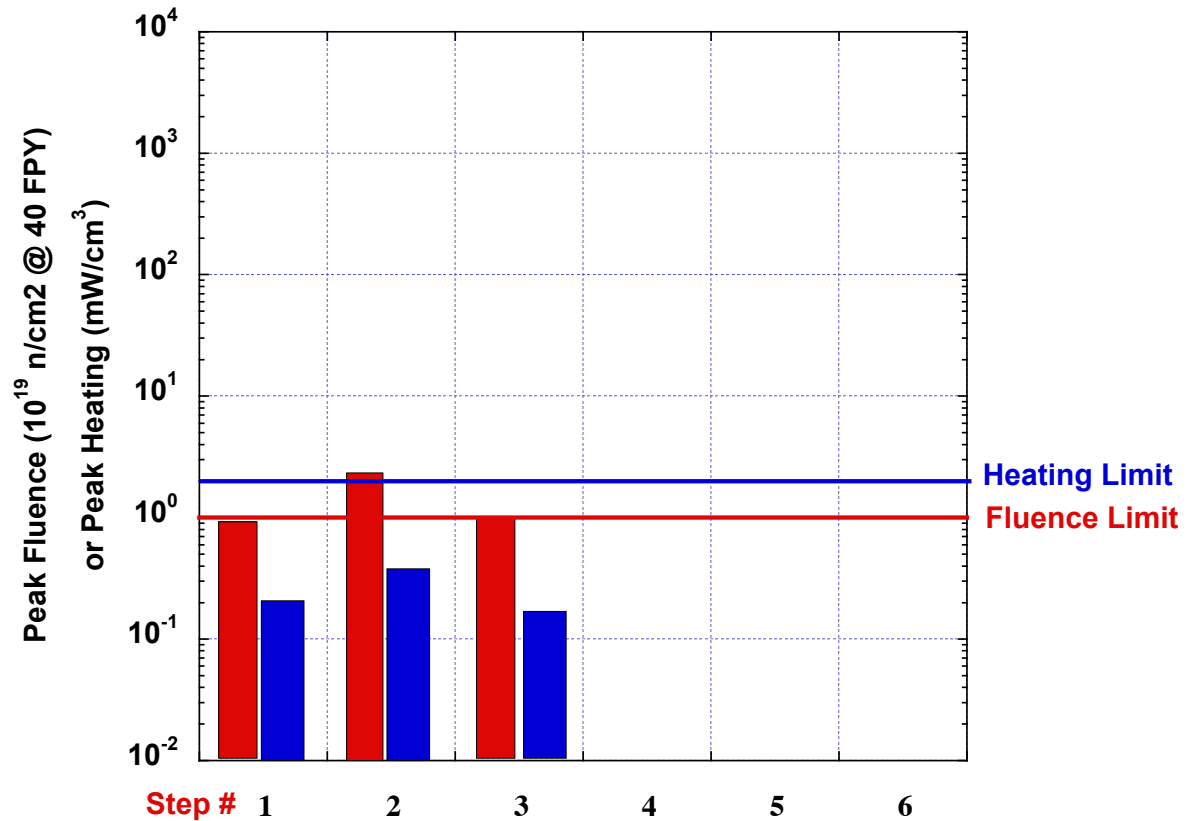
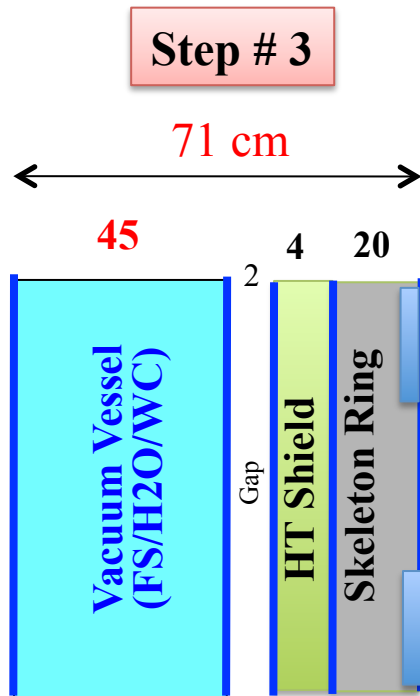
40 cm VV (H₂O and WC filler)

20 cm Skeleton Ring (80% ODS-FS, 20% He)

4 cm HT shield (He cooled)



ARIES-ACT-SiC Inboard Options (Cont.)



ARIES-ACT Parameters with:

45 cm VV (H₂O and WC filler)

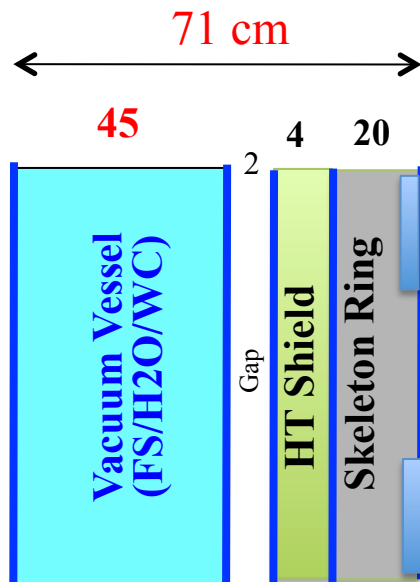
4 cm HT shield

20 cm Skeleton Ring



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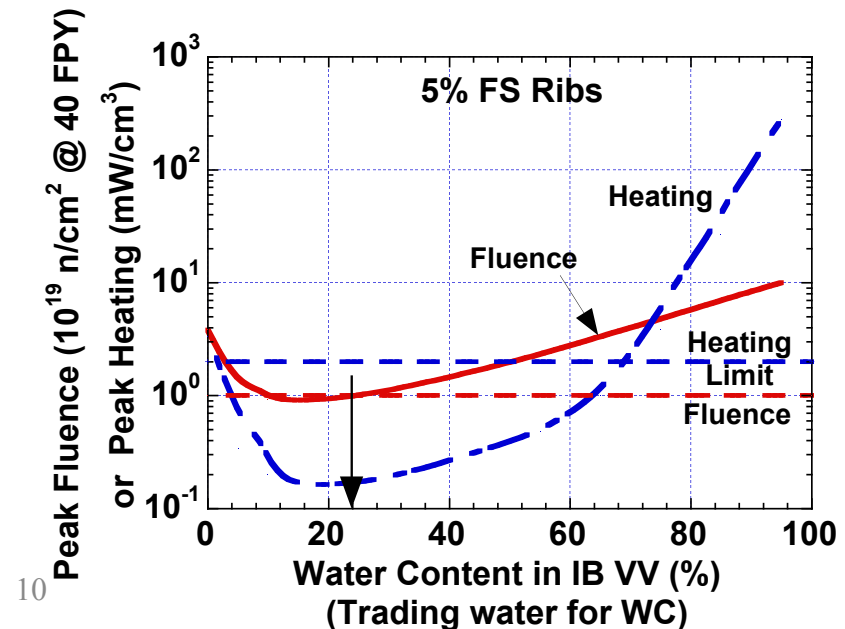
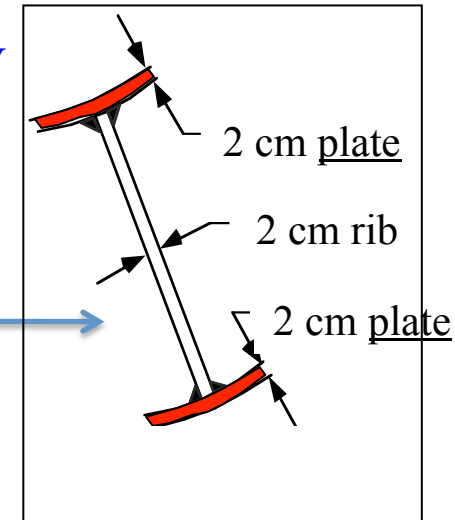
Step # 3



ARIES-ACT Parameters with:
45 cm VV (H₂O and WC filler)
 4 cm HT shield
 20 cm Skeleton Ring

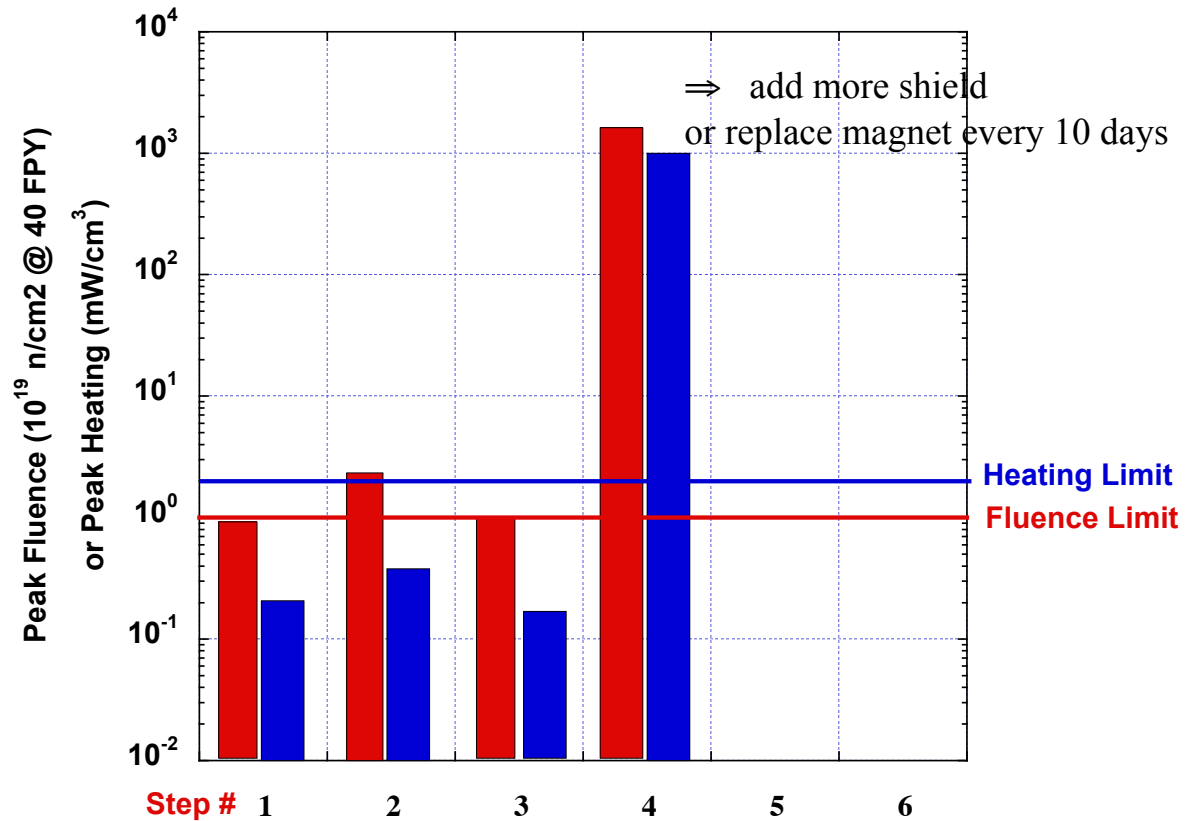
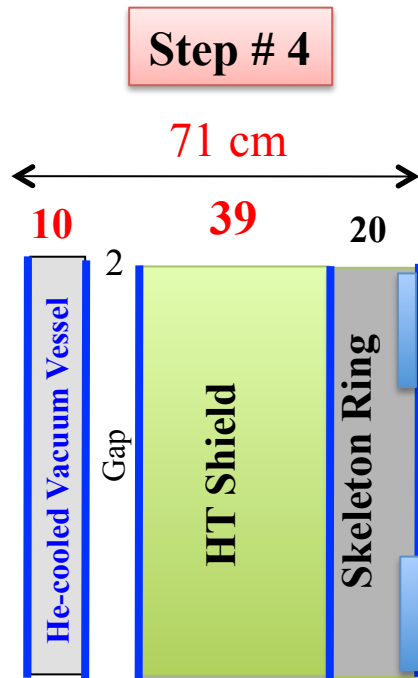
ARIES-AT VV

H₂O and WC
with 5% FS ribs





ARIES-ACT-SiC Inboard Options (Cont.)



ARIES-ACT

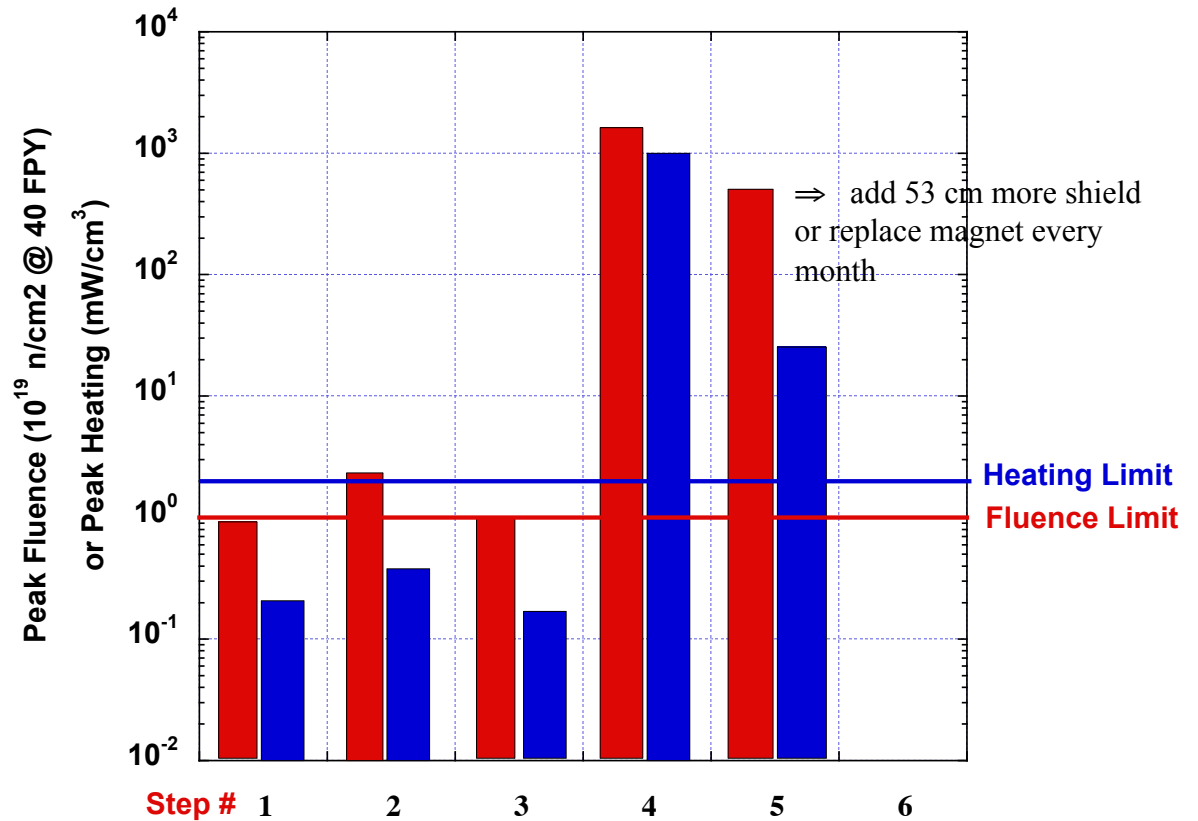
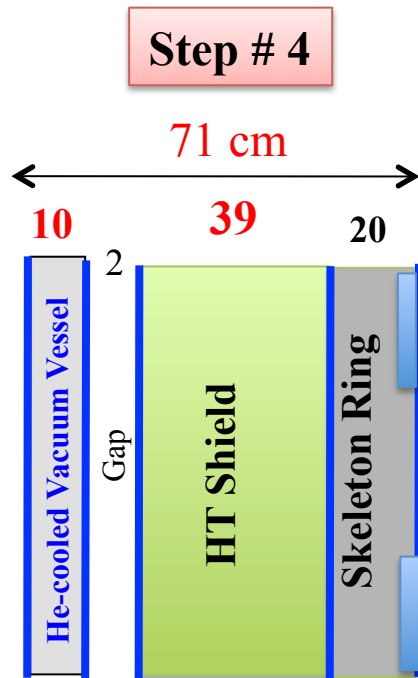
10 cm He-cooled VV

39 cm HT shield (FS/He; 90/10)

20 cm Skeleton Ring (FS/He; 80/20)



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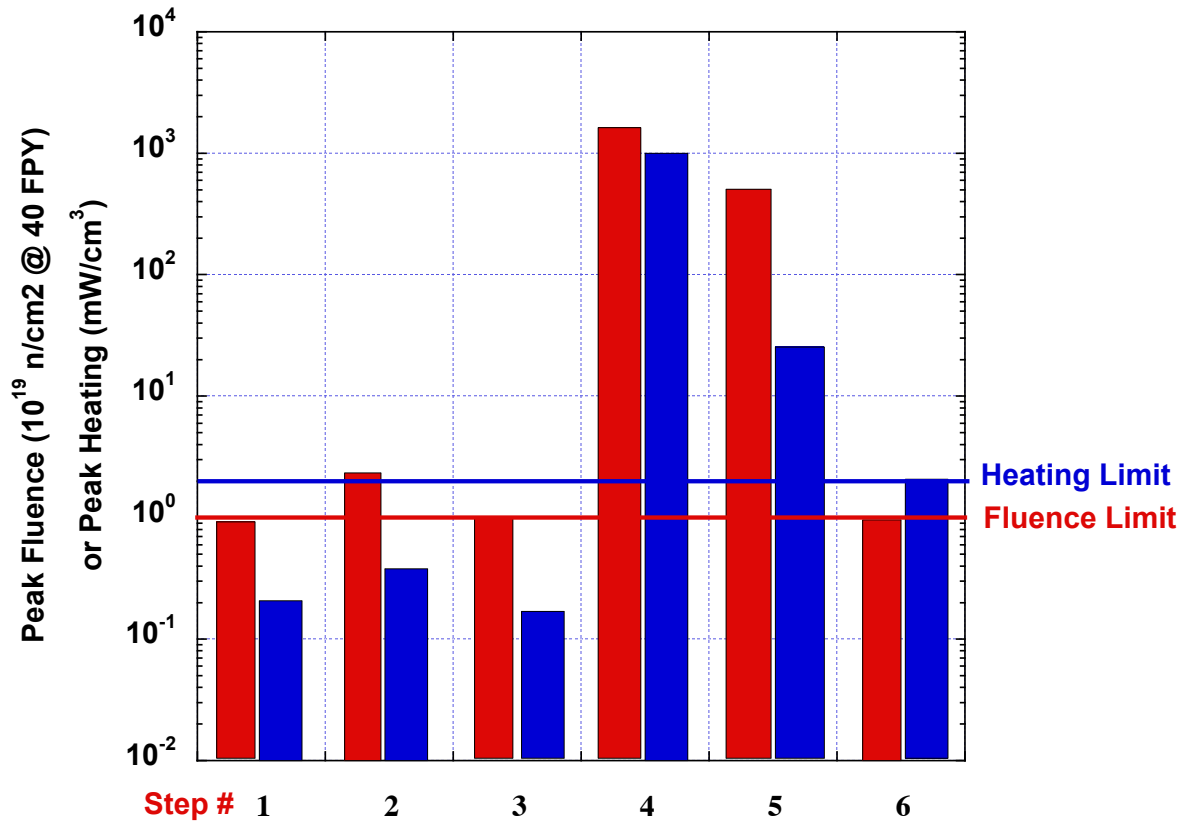
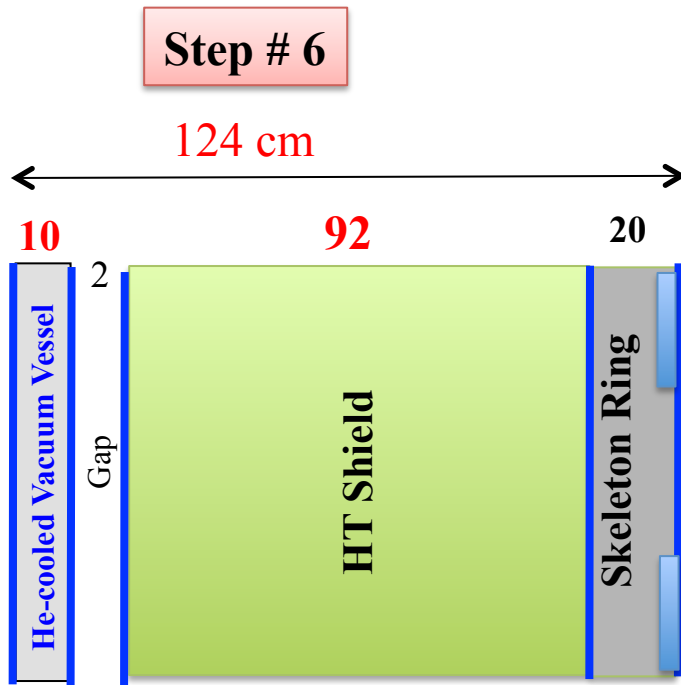
10 cm He-cooled VV

39 cm HT shield (FS/**B-FS**/He; 20/70/10)

20 cm Skeleton Ring



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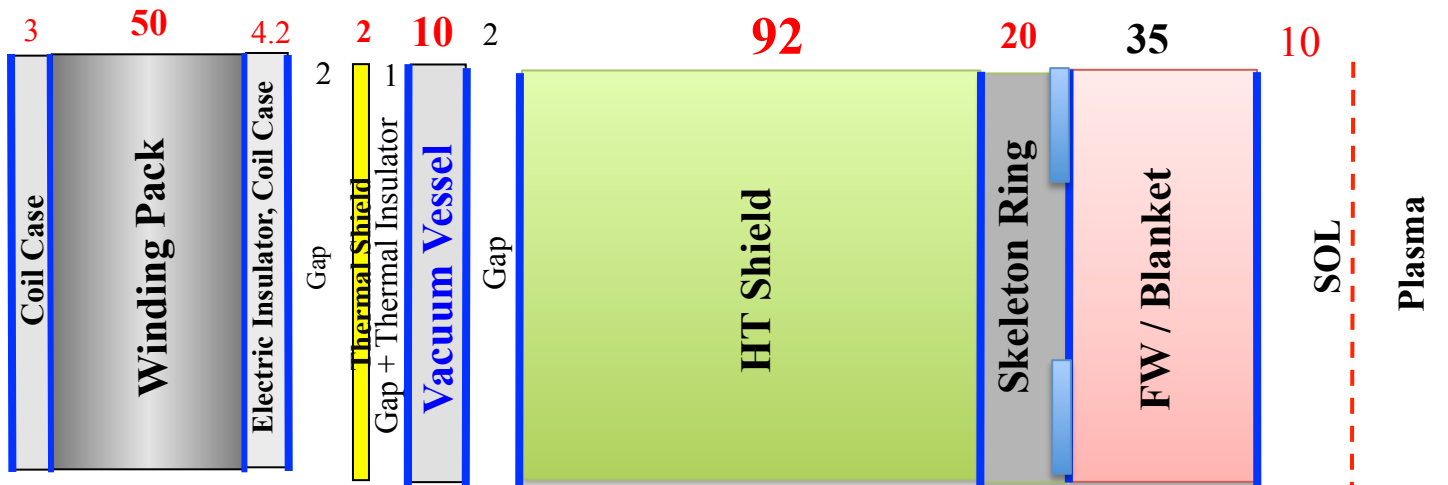
10 cm He-cooled VV

92 cm HT shield (FS/B-FS/He)

20 cm Skeleton Ring



92 cm Thick He-Cooled IB Shield Protects Magnets of ARIES-ACT-SiC



Magnet is well protected away from assembly gaps

159 cm, w/o gaps
($\Delta = +60$ cm)

Vacuum Vessel:

10 cm thick FS/He (90/10).
Permanent component (< 1 dpa peak).
Reweldable (< 0.01 He appm peak).
Impact of n streaming through gaps TBD.

HT Shield:

20% FS, 10% He, 70% B-FS.
Permanent component
Not reweldable.

Impact of n streaming through gaps TBD.

Skeleton Ring:

80% FS, 20% He.
Replaceable every 10 FPY.
Not reweldable.

Impact of n streaming through gaps TBD.



Compositions

	Thickness (cm)	Composition (volume %)
FW/Blanket	35	6% SiC, 94% LiPb (LiPb @ 700 °C; 8.8 g/cm ³ density; Li _{15.7} Pb _{84.3} with 70% Li enrichment)
Skeleton Ring	20	80% ODS FS, 20% He
HT Shield	92	20% MF82H FS structure, 70% B-FS Filler 10% He
Vacuum Vessel	10	90% 3Cr-3WV FS (or 316-SS) structure, 10% He
He-cooled Thermal Shield	2	20% steel, 80% He (@ 80-100 k)
Coil Case	3	95% JK2LB steel, 5% LHe
Winding Pack (from ASC)	50	75% JK2LB steel, 12% Cu, 2% Nb ₃ Sn, 8.5% LHe, 2.5% GFF Polyimide



Conclusion

$\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{WC}$ -free VV
and
He-cooled shield
increase IB radial build by 66 cm