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ITM Oxygen: Scaling Up a Low-cost Oxygen Supply Technology

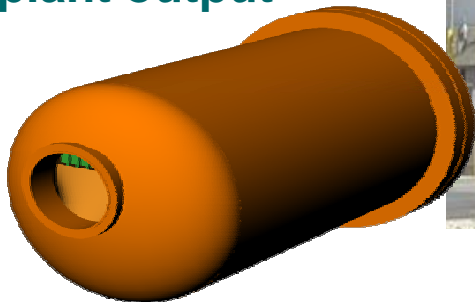
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ITM Oxygen Enables a Step-change Reduction in the Cost of Oxygen

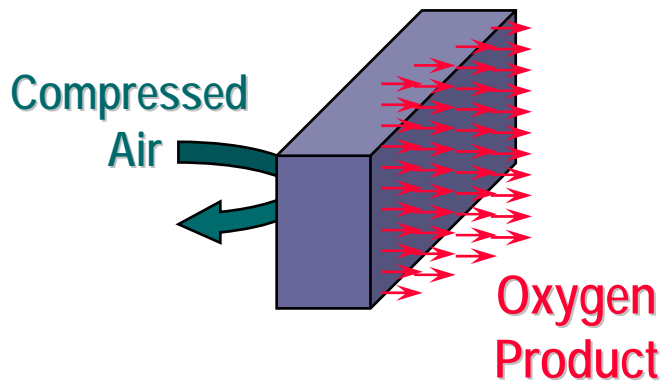
Conceptual ITM Oxygen vessel scaled to match cryogenic oxygen plant output



What is ITM Oxygen?

- **Uses ceramic membranes to separate oxygen from air**
- **100% selective to oxygen with extremely high flux (pure, very compact)**
- **Feed air must be heated (800 – 900 C) and compressed (200 – 300 psig)**
 - **Energy recovered from depleted air, typically through power generation cycle**
 - **Integrates well with high temperature and pressure processes**
- **Can use syngas, gaseous or other fuel to make pure oxygen, power and steam**
 - **Does not consume electric power**
 - **Produces net power and steam as desired**
- **Step-change savings compared to state-of-the-art cryogenic technology**
 - **35% less capital**
 - **35-60% less power up to 1000 psi product pressure**

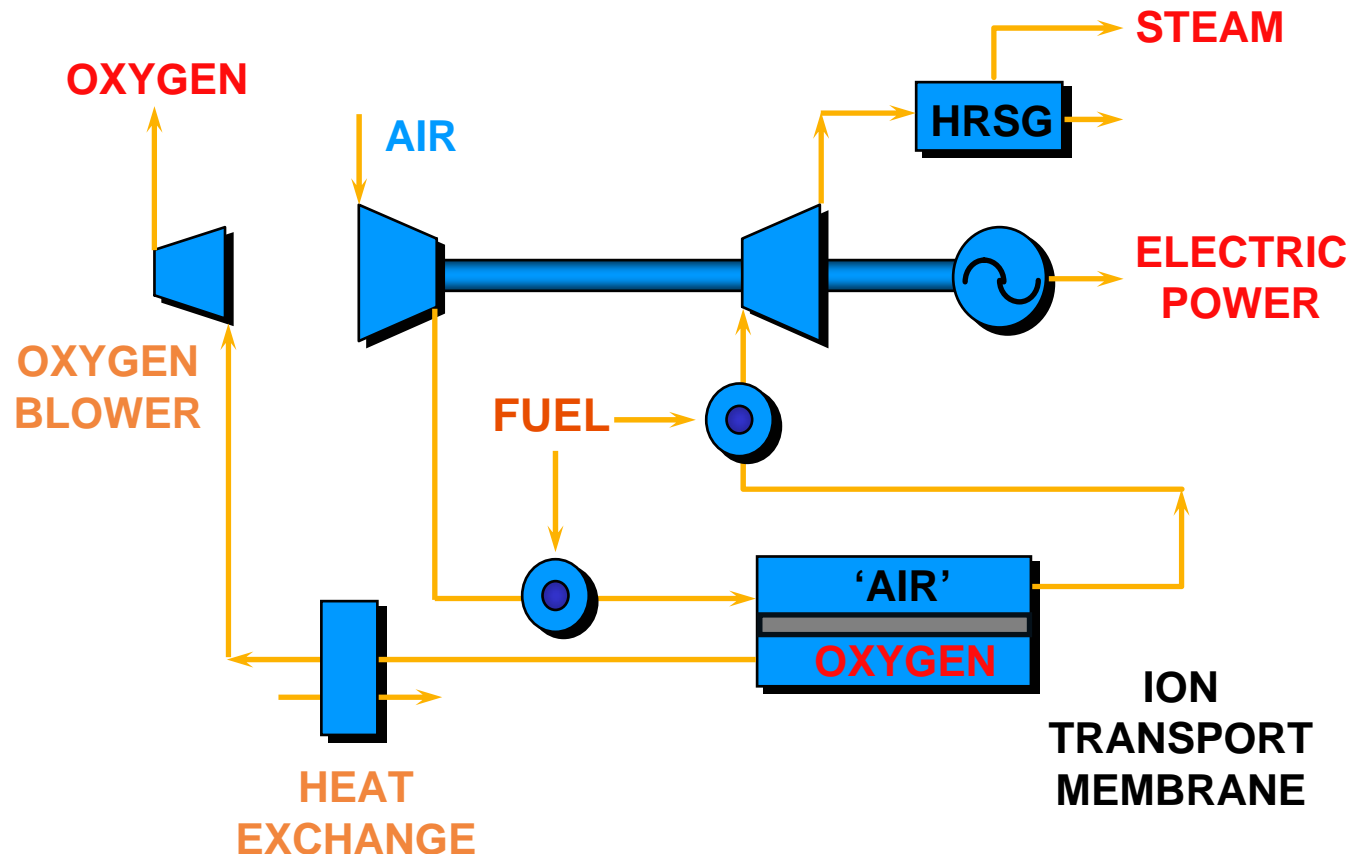
Ceramic Membranes: Revolutionary Technology for Tonnage Oxygen Supply



0.5 TPD module
(commercial-scale)

- Single-stage air separation leads to **compact** designs
- **Low pressure drop** on the high-pressure side
- **High-temperature** process has better **synergy with power generation systems**
- **Extraordinary flux enables large tonnage production economics**

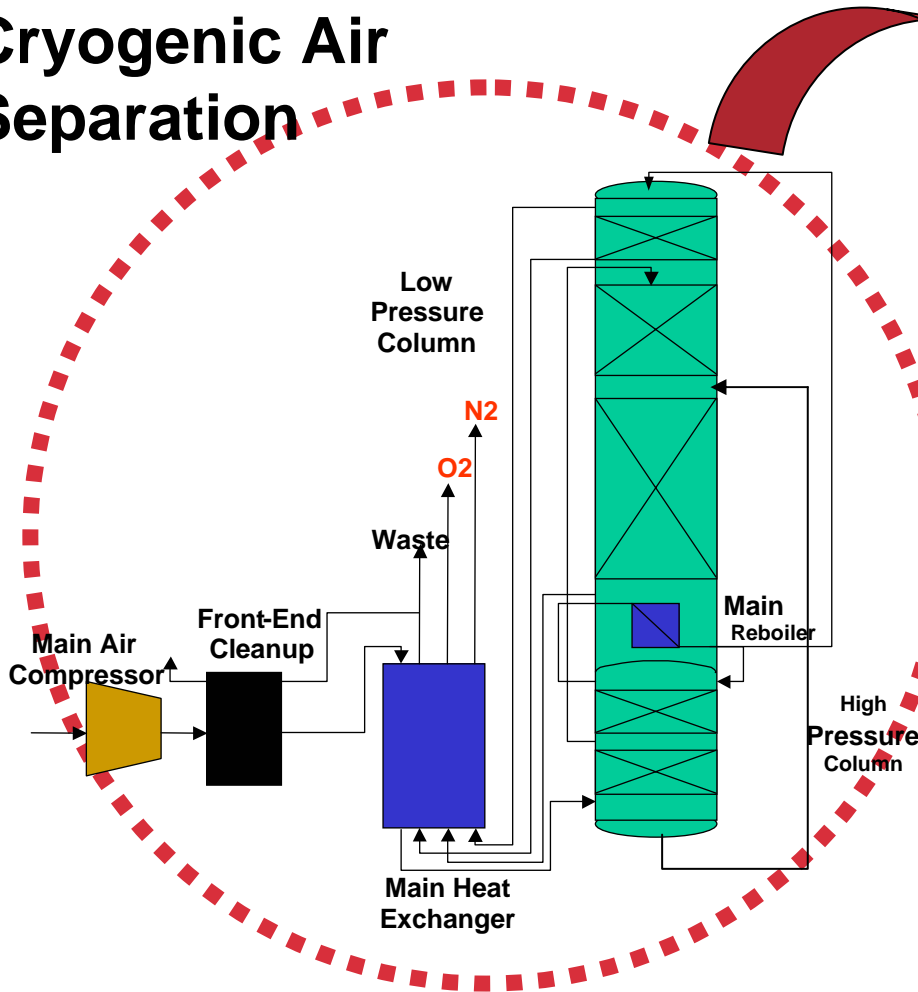
ITM Oxygen integrates well with power generation cycles



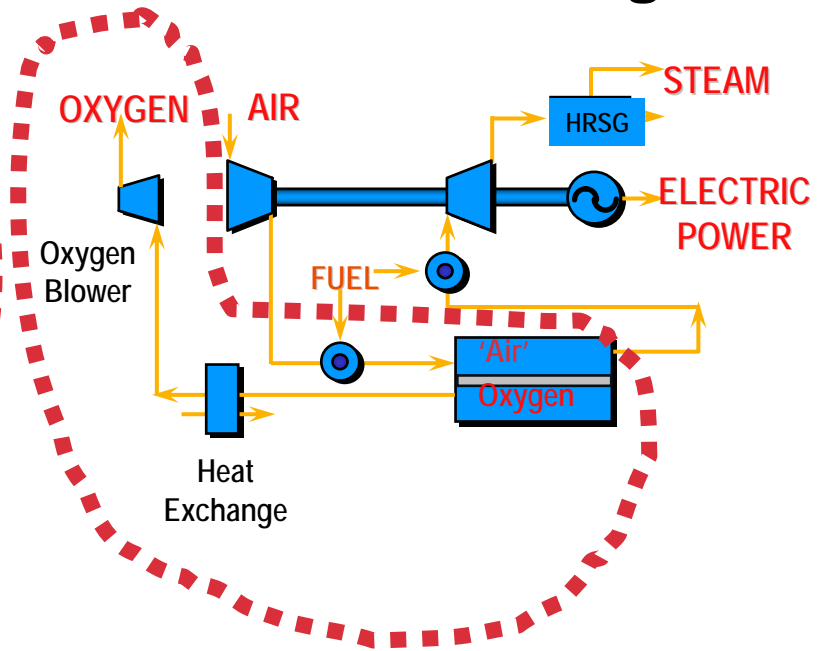
ITM Oxygen separator integrated with a gas turbine-based power cycle

ITM Oxygen is Simpler and Requires Less Power

Cryogenic Air Separation



ITM Oxygen With Power Integration



- ➔ ITM O2 Has Much Simpler Flow Sheet and >35% Less Capital
- ➔ ITM O2 Has 35-60% Less Compression Energy Associated with Oxygen Separation

ITM Oxygen has Excellent Economic Performance in Many Applications

Application	Product		Savings (% of Cryo ASU)	
	Oxygen (sTPD)	Power (MW)	Capital for Oxygen	Power for Oxygen
IGCC	3200	458	35%	37%
Decarbonized Fuel [†]	2400	300	35%	36%
Enrichment*	1500	260	27%	69%
Oxyfuel ^{†*}	8030	500	48%	68%
GTL	12,500	n/a	20+%	n/a

[†]enables carbon capture

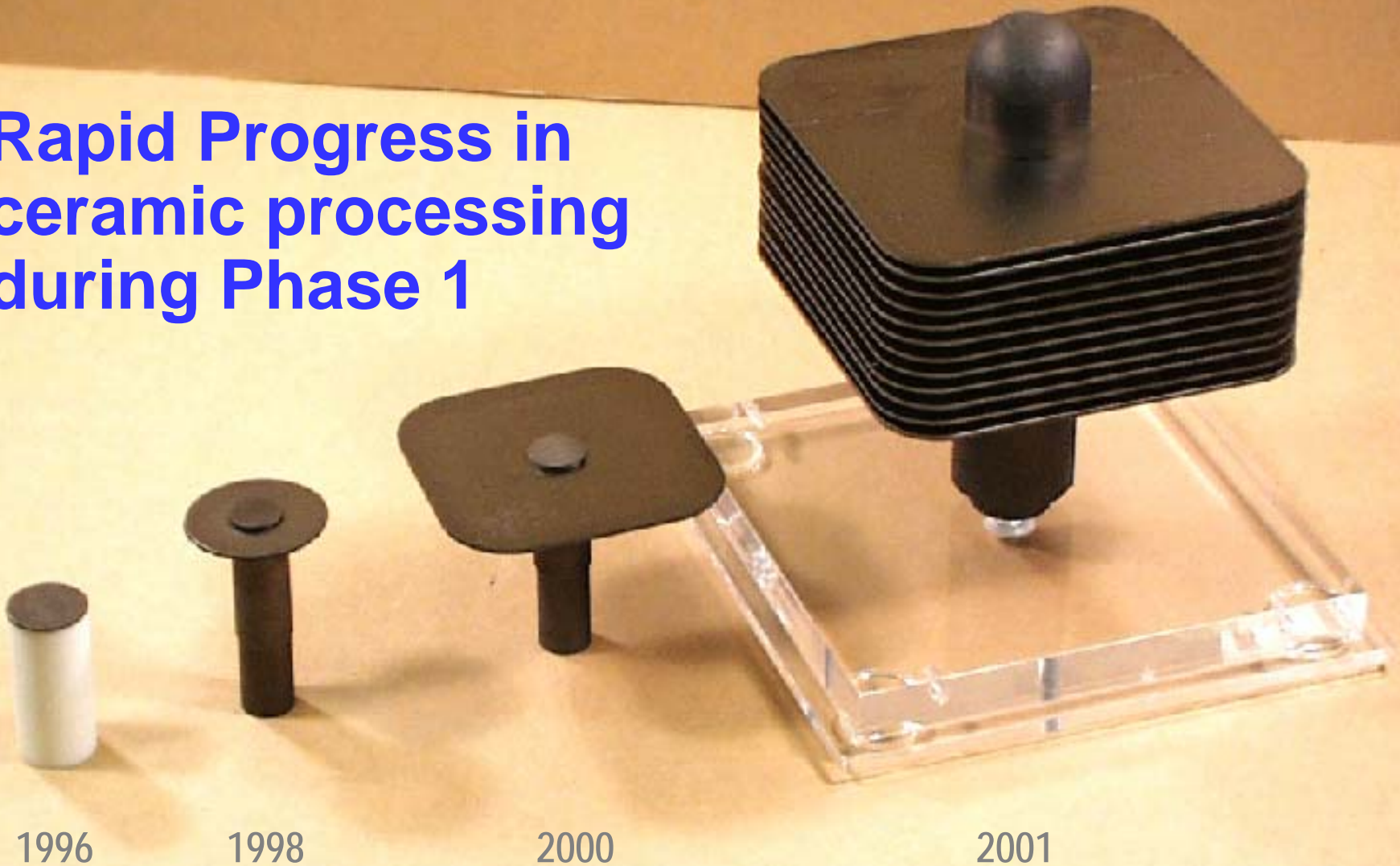
*uses existing gas turbine offerings

ITM Oxygen Program

- **Goal: Reduce Cost of Oxygen by One-Third**
- **DOE/Air Products R&D started 1999 (11 year, \$148 million)**
 - Phase 1: Technical Feasibility (0.1 TPD O₂)
 - Phase 2: Prototype (1-5 TPD O₂)
 - Phase 3: Pre-commercial Development (25+ TPD)
 - **Planning 150 TPD**
- **Development Team**



Rapid Progress in ceramic processing during Phase 1

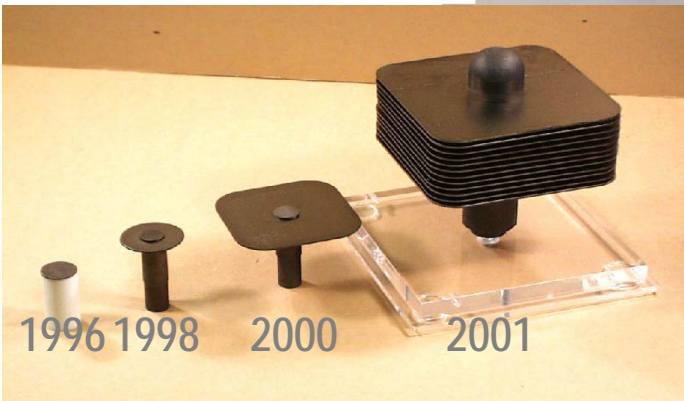


Overall Technical Feasibility was established in Phase 1

- ✓ **Materials**
- ✓ **Commercial-size Planar Wafer Architecture**
- ✓ **Stable Flux and Purity**
- ✓ **Economic benefits re-confirmed**

The feasibility of producing commercial-scale modules was established during Phase 2

0.5 TPD ITM Oxygen Modules

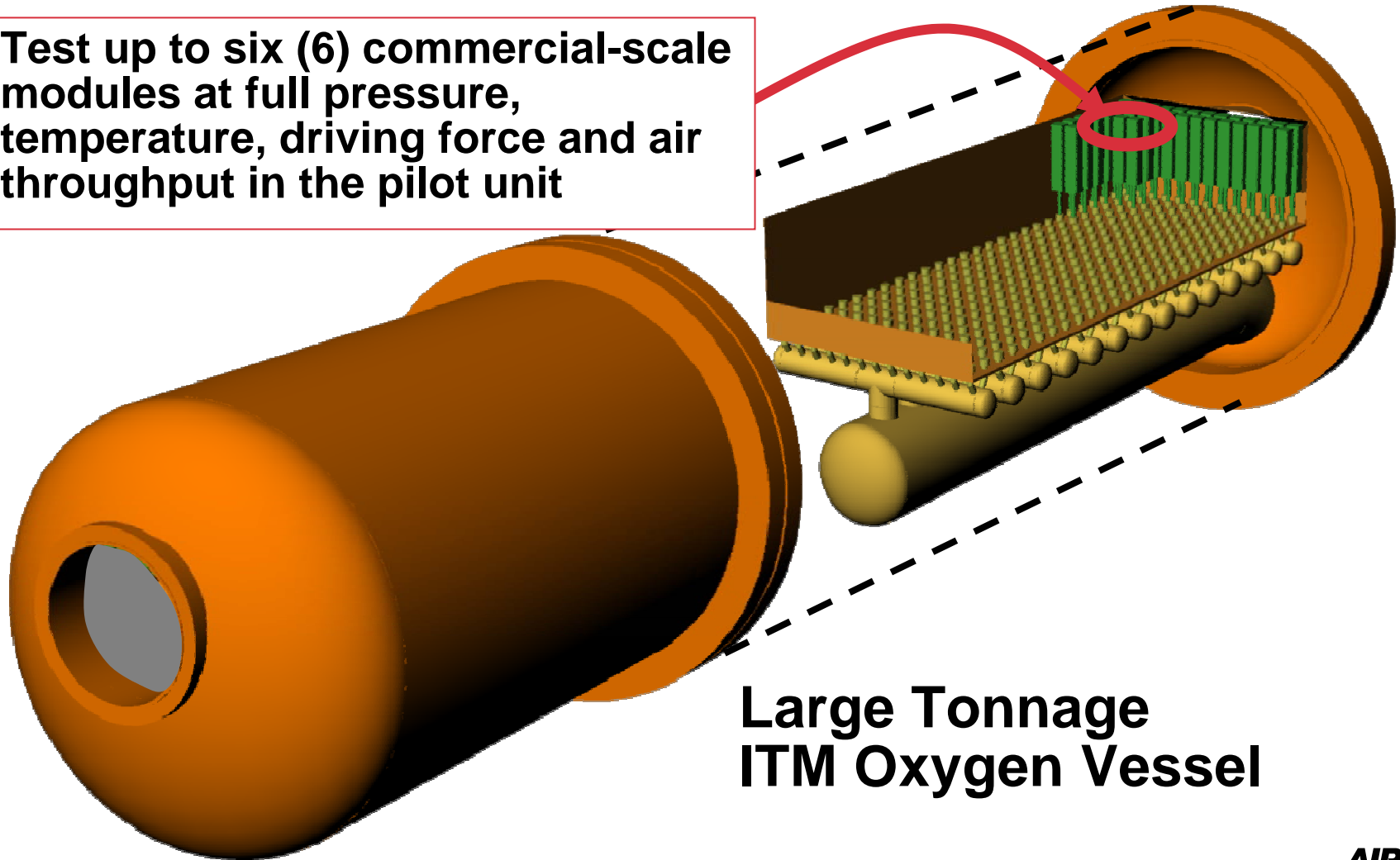


We are well on our way to completing the major goals of Phase 2

- ✓ **Fabricate commercial-scale modules**
- ✓ **Establish feasibility of Machinery Integration (with Siemens Power Generation, Inc.)**
- **Test commercial-size modules under full driving force conditions**
 - **Design, build, operate a 1-5 TPD Subscale Engineering Prototype (SEP)**

We wish to test commercial-scale ITM Oxygen modules, simulating a region of a large tonnage oxygen separation unit

Test up to six (6) commercial-scale modules at full pressure, temperature, driving force and air throughput in the pilot unit

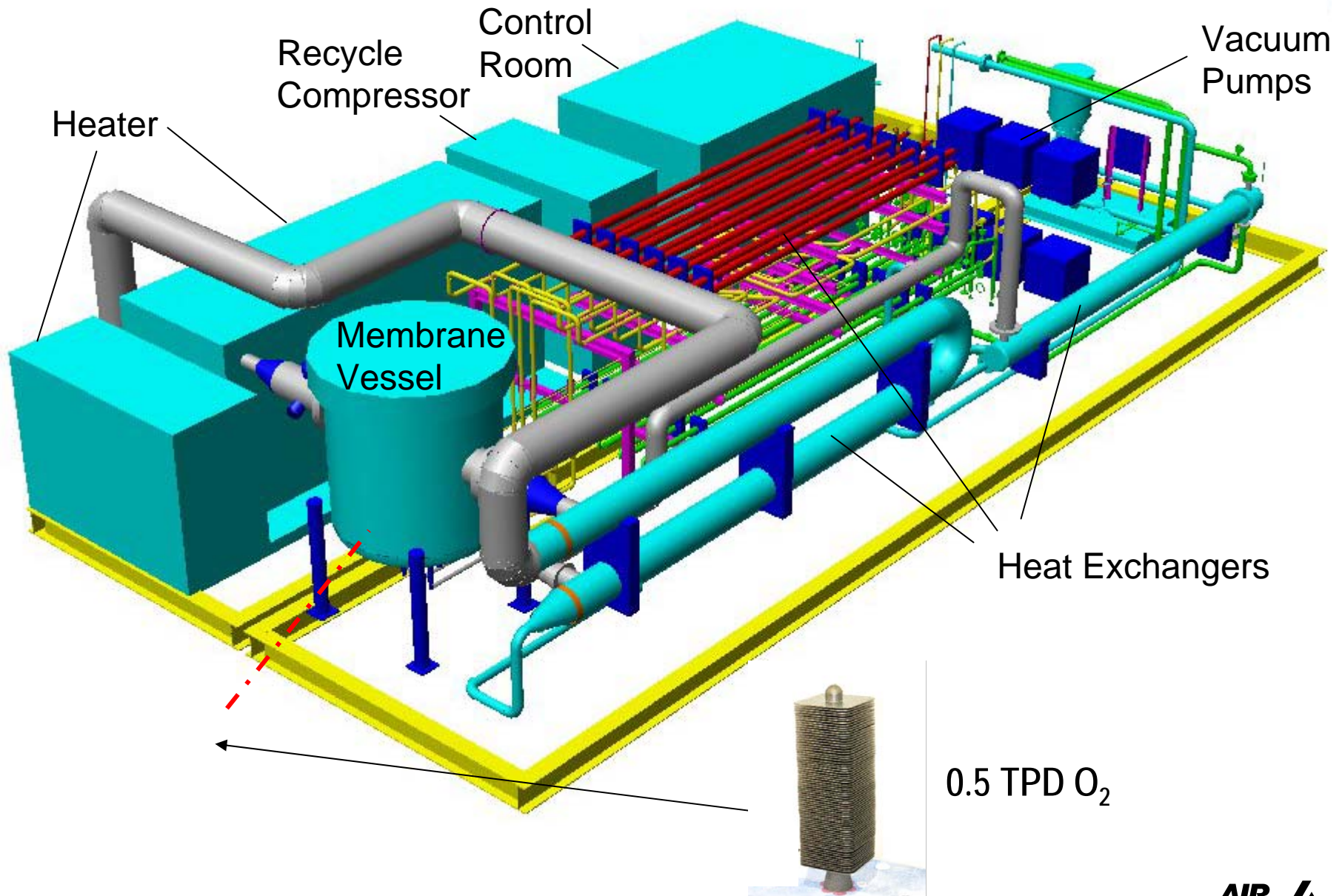


Large Tonnage
ITM Oxygen Vessel

Broad Program Goals of the SEP

- **Test concepts for vessel internal design**
- **Test process control strategy**
- **Assess commercial-scale module performance**
 - **Phase 2 concludes with successful testing of commercial-scale modules with criteria for performance in:**
 - **Flux**
 - **Purity**
 - **Reliability (Start-up/Shutdown)**

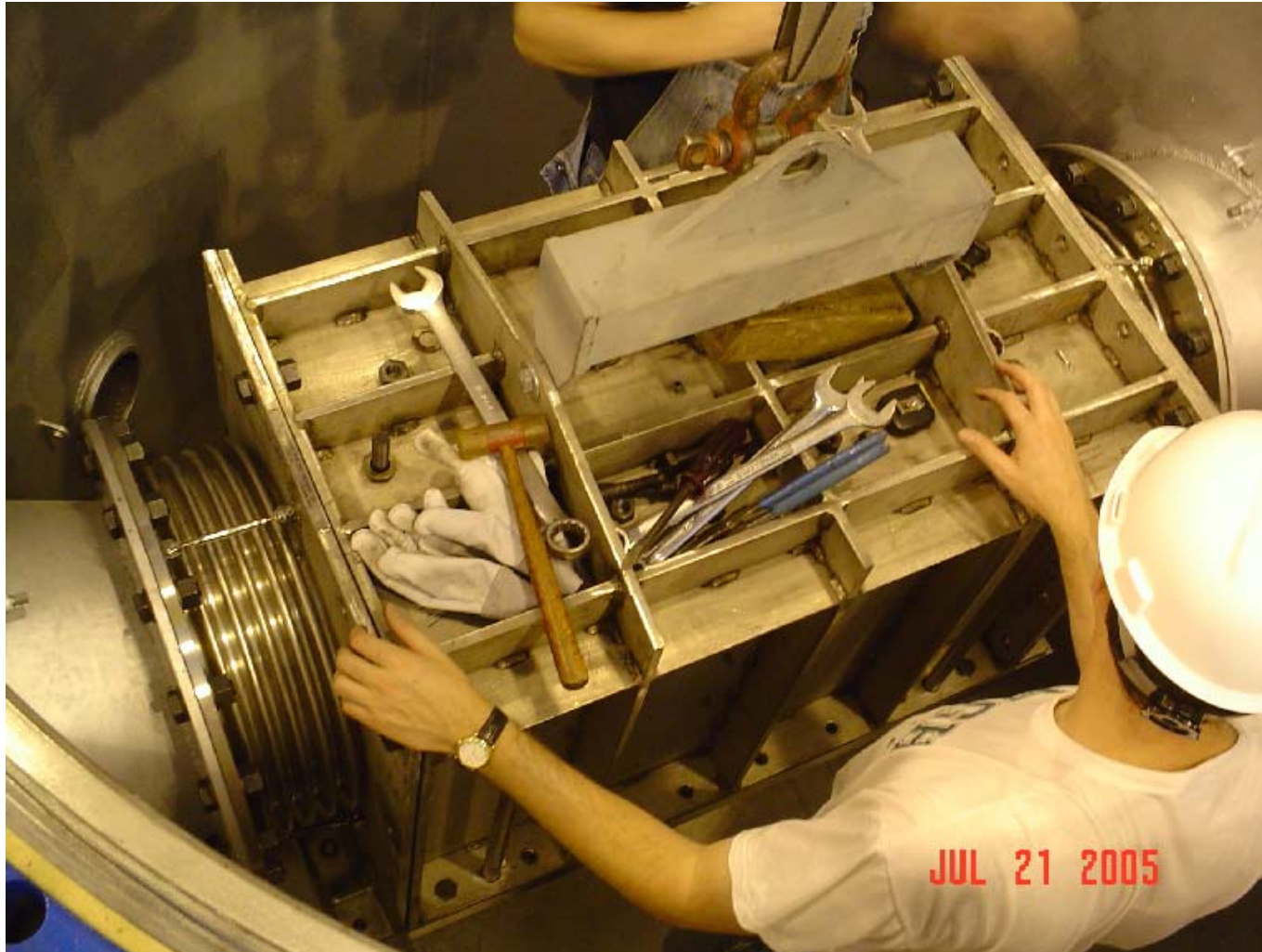
5 TPD SEP Skid Design – Isometric



The SEP was started up in Oct. '05,
commissioned in April '06



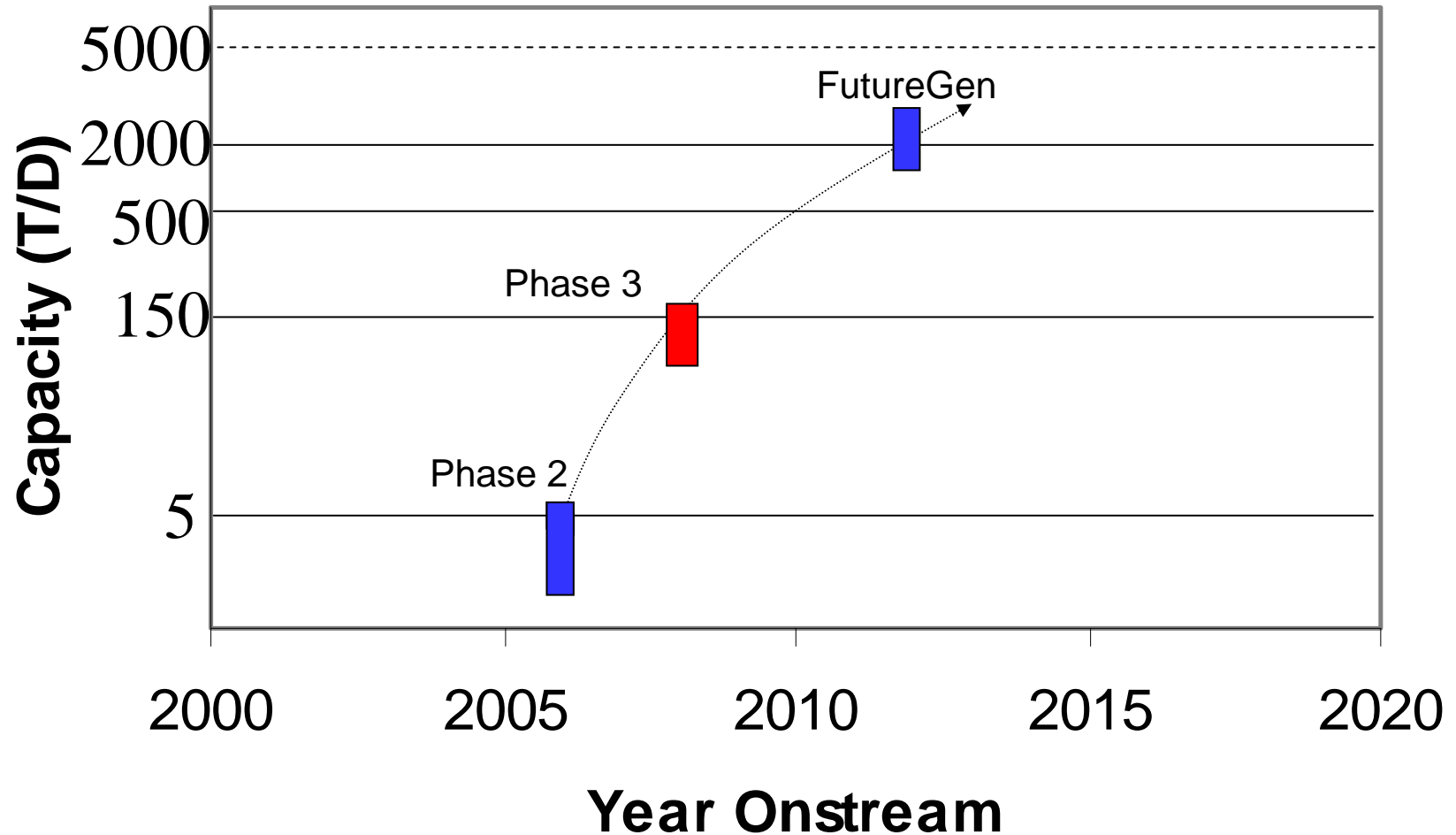
SEP Flow Duct Houses ITM Oxygen Modules with 3-6 TPD Capacity



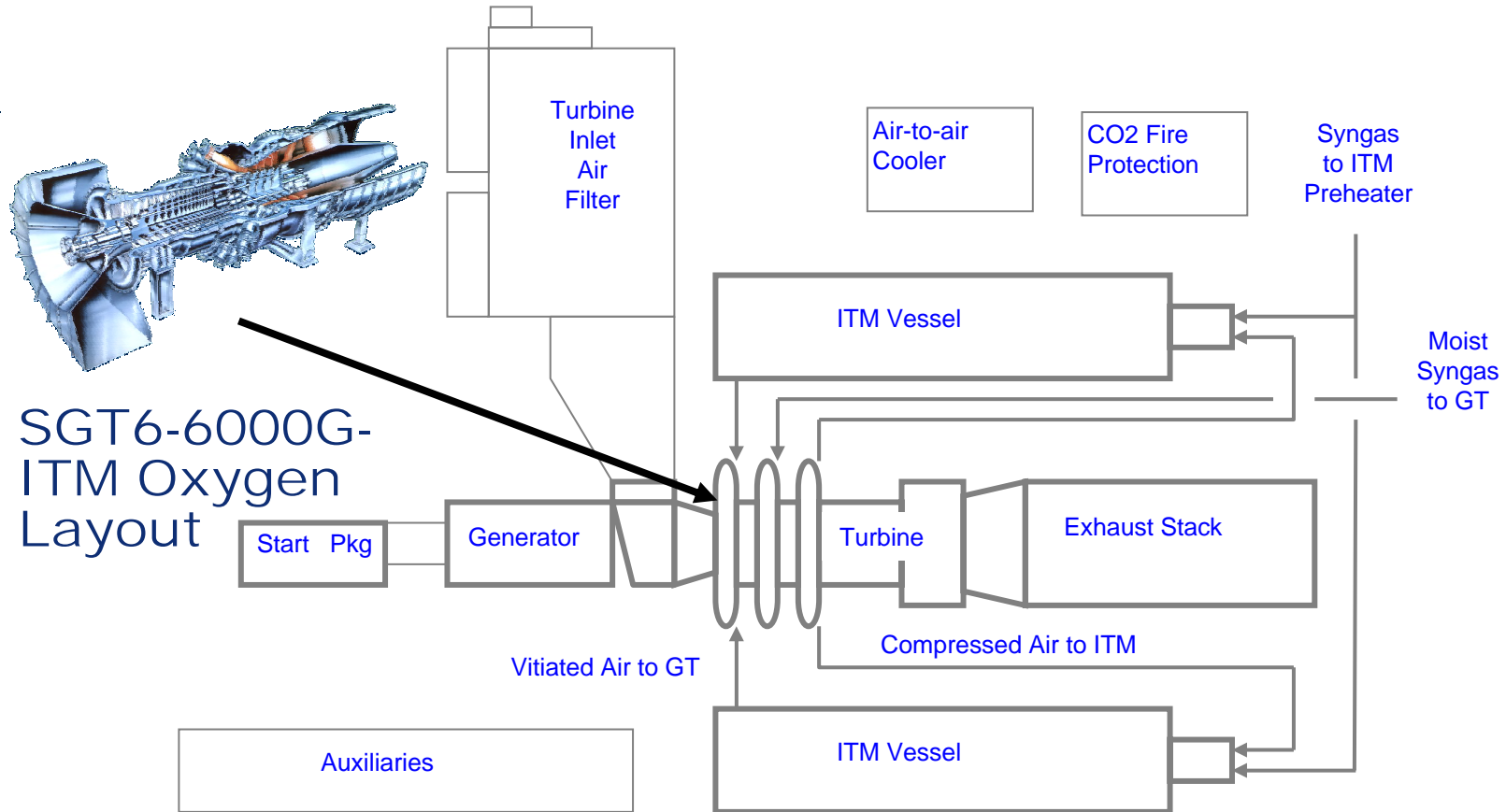
Initial SEP work highly successful

- Several trials with 0.5-TPD modules since May
- Demonstrated >99% oxygen purity from commercial-scale module and seal
- Oxygen flux consistently has met or exceeded expectations, and has been steady
- Currently running modules through start-up/shutdown cycles to test reliability

Future Work: Phase 3 Development Plan meets DOE FutureGen Schedule and Market Timing

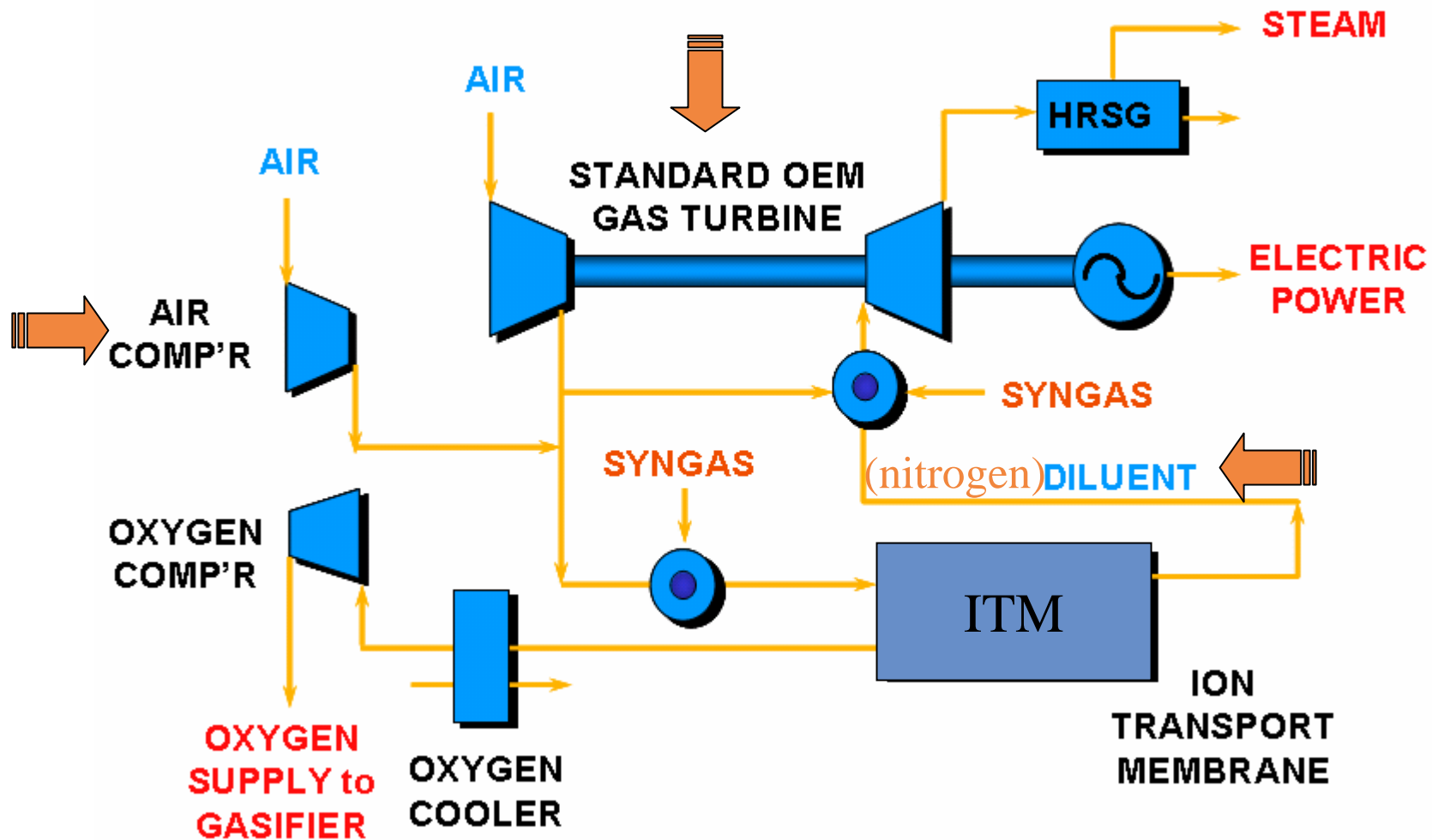


Longer Term: The full benefits of ITM Oxygen are realized in power cycles that are tightly integrated with advanced gas turbines



- **Siemens/Air Products have concluded that integration with a Siemens' large-frame gas turbine is technically feasible and achieves the full benefits of ITM Oxygen technology**

... However, Integration with Currently Available Baseload Turbines is Also Achievable and preserves Good Economic Benefits



Conclusions

- **Major Phase 2 ITM Oxygen development objectives have been met**
 - **Built and tested commercial-scale ITM Oxygen modules successfully**
- **Air Products and the U.S. DOE are planning an expanded Phase 3 to enable ITM Oxygen to produce large-tonnage quantities of oxygen in the FutureGen plant**

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