

Ultra-Low-Temperature cooling with air as refrigerant

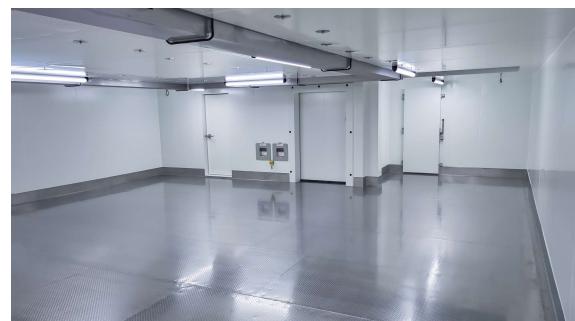
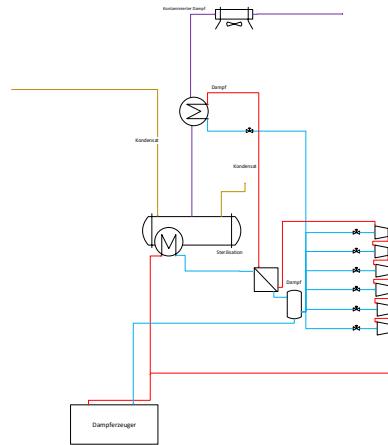
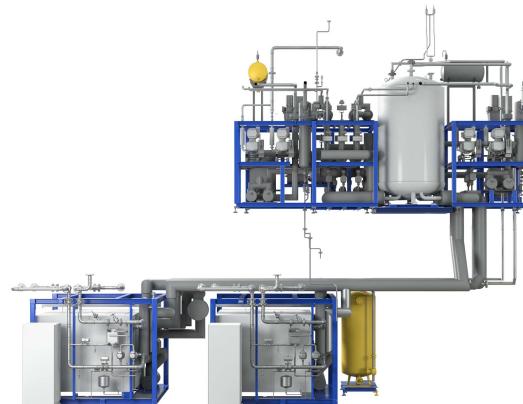
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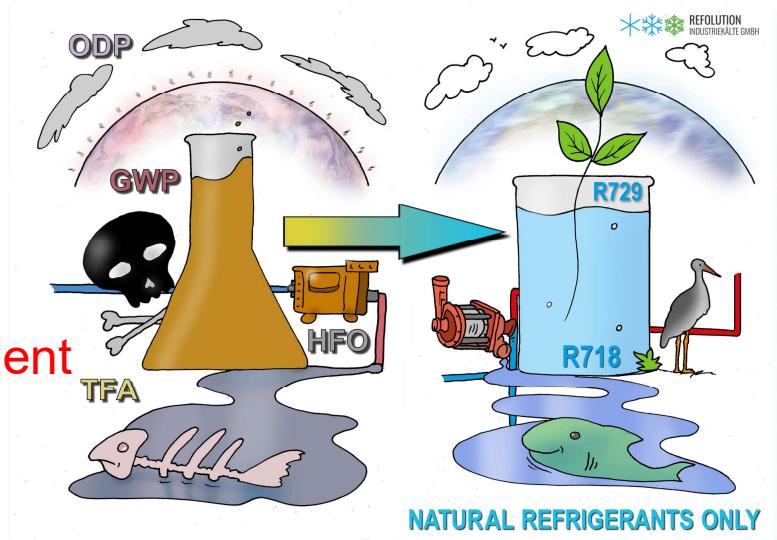
The engineering office for sustainable refrigeration

- Consulting
- Planning
- Special plant construction
- Product development



Impact of refrigeration

- Indirect CO₂ emissions:
- In Germany about 14% to 19% of total electrical power is used in a refrigeration process
- Average life cycle is 15 years and life cycle cost is rarely counted
 - Need for efficient and long-lasting solutions
- Direct emissions of refrigerants:
 - ODP – Ozone Depletion Potential
 - GWP – Global Warming Potential
 - HFO/TFA/PFAS – persistent pollution of the environment
 - Use of natural refrigerants

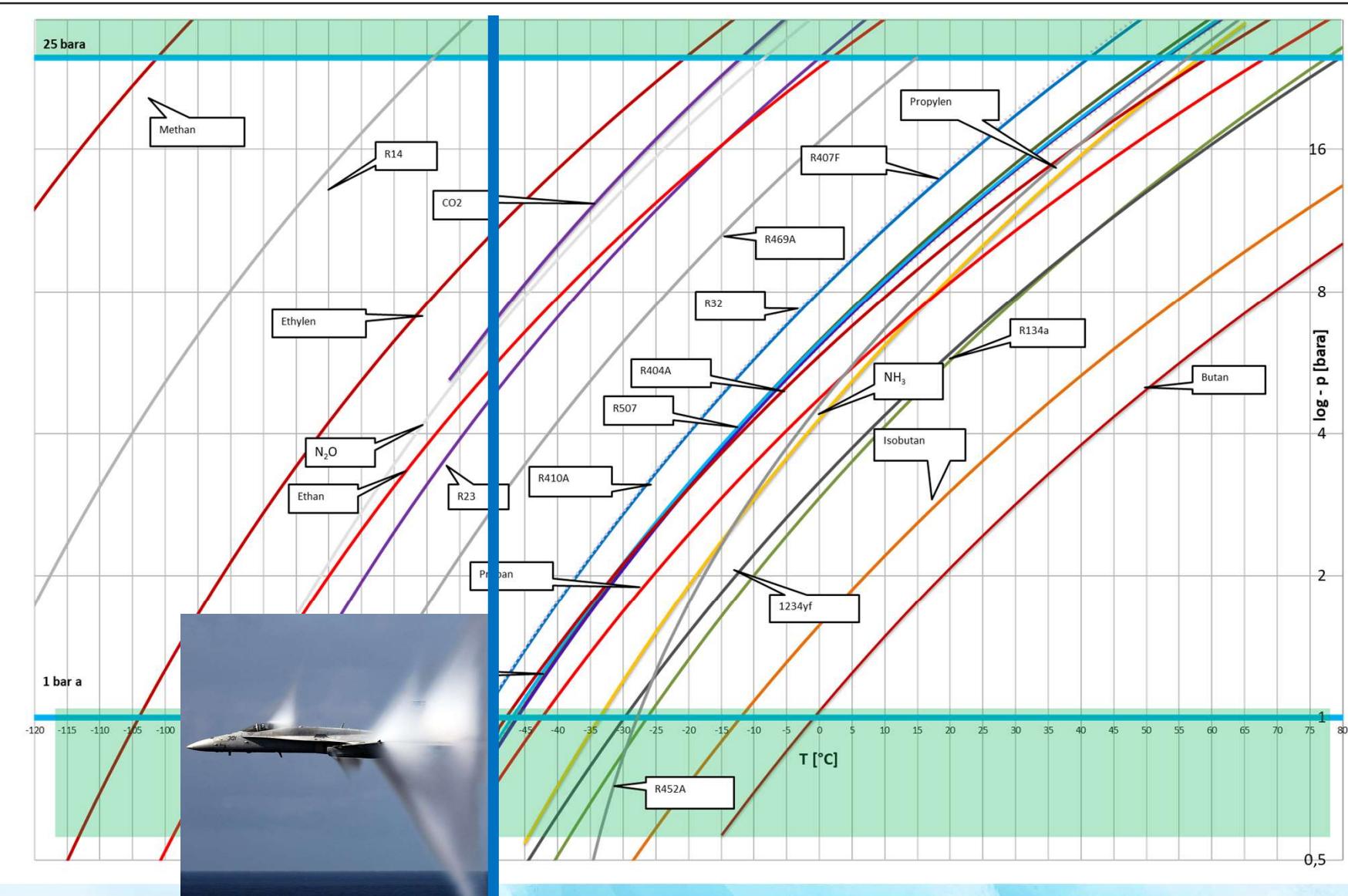


Refrigerants Overview

- NH₃ R717 (GWP 0)
- CO₂ R744 (GWP 1)
- R23 (GWP 14.800)
- R134a (GWP 1.430)
- R404A (GWP 3.922)
- R407F (GWP 1.825)
- R410A (GWP 2.088)
- R449A (GWP 1.397)
- R507A (GWP 3.985)
- 1234yf (GWP 4)
- R32 (GWP 675)
- Butan R-600 (GWP 4)
- Isobutan R-600a (GWP 3)
- Propylen R-1270 (GWP 2)
- Propan R-290 (GWP 3)
- Ethan R-170 (GWP 6)
- Ethylen R-1150 (GWP 4)
- Methan R-50 (GWP 25)
- WT69 R469A (GWP 1.357)
- R452A (GWP 2140)
- R14 (GWP 7390)
- N₂O R744A (GWP 265)

„Sound barrier“ below -50°C use temperature

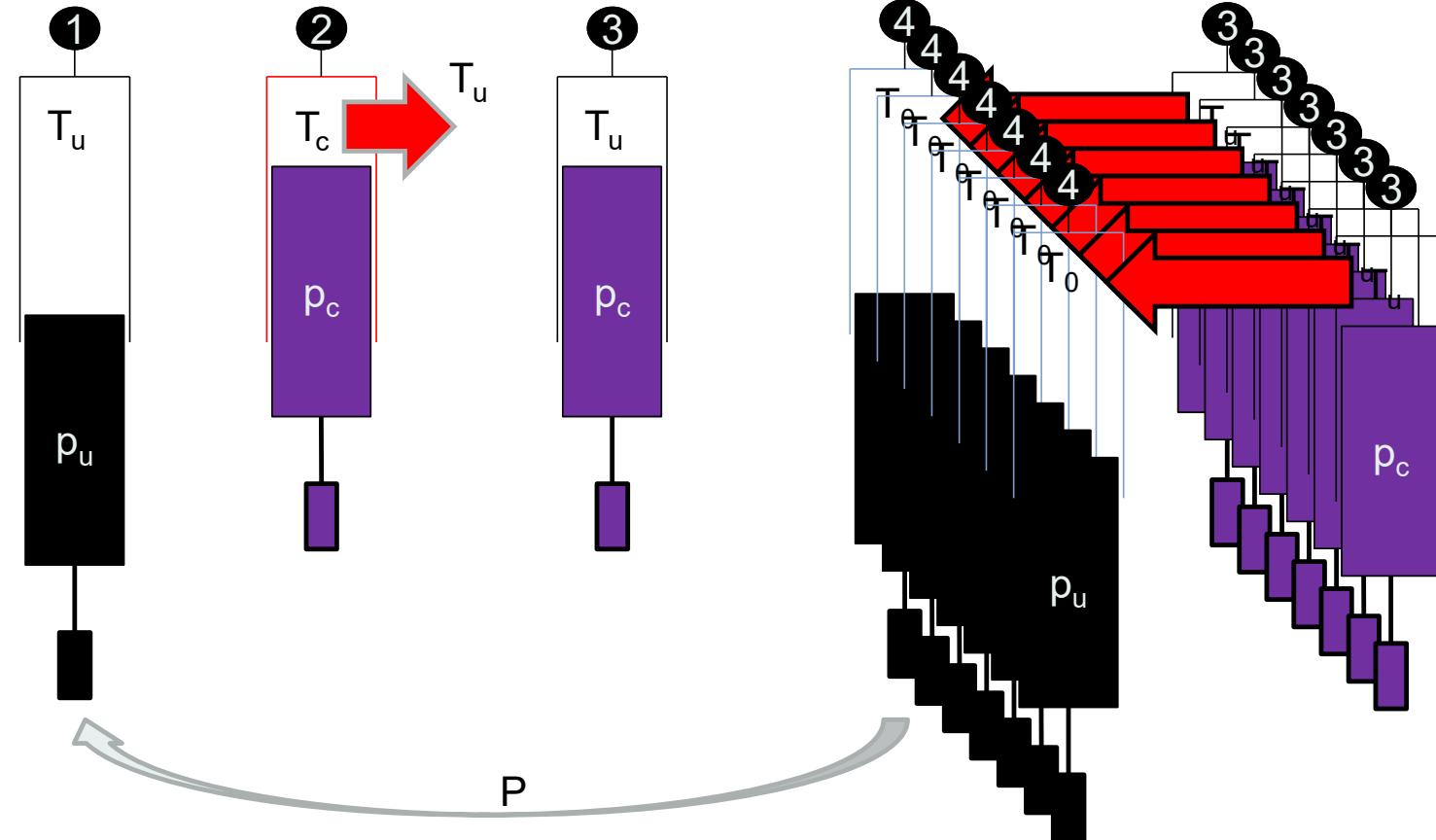
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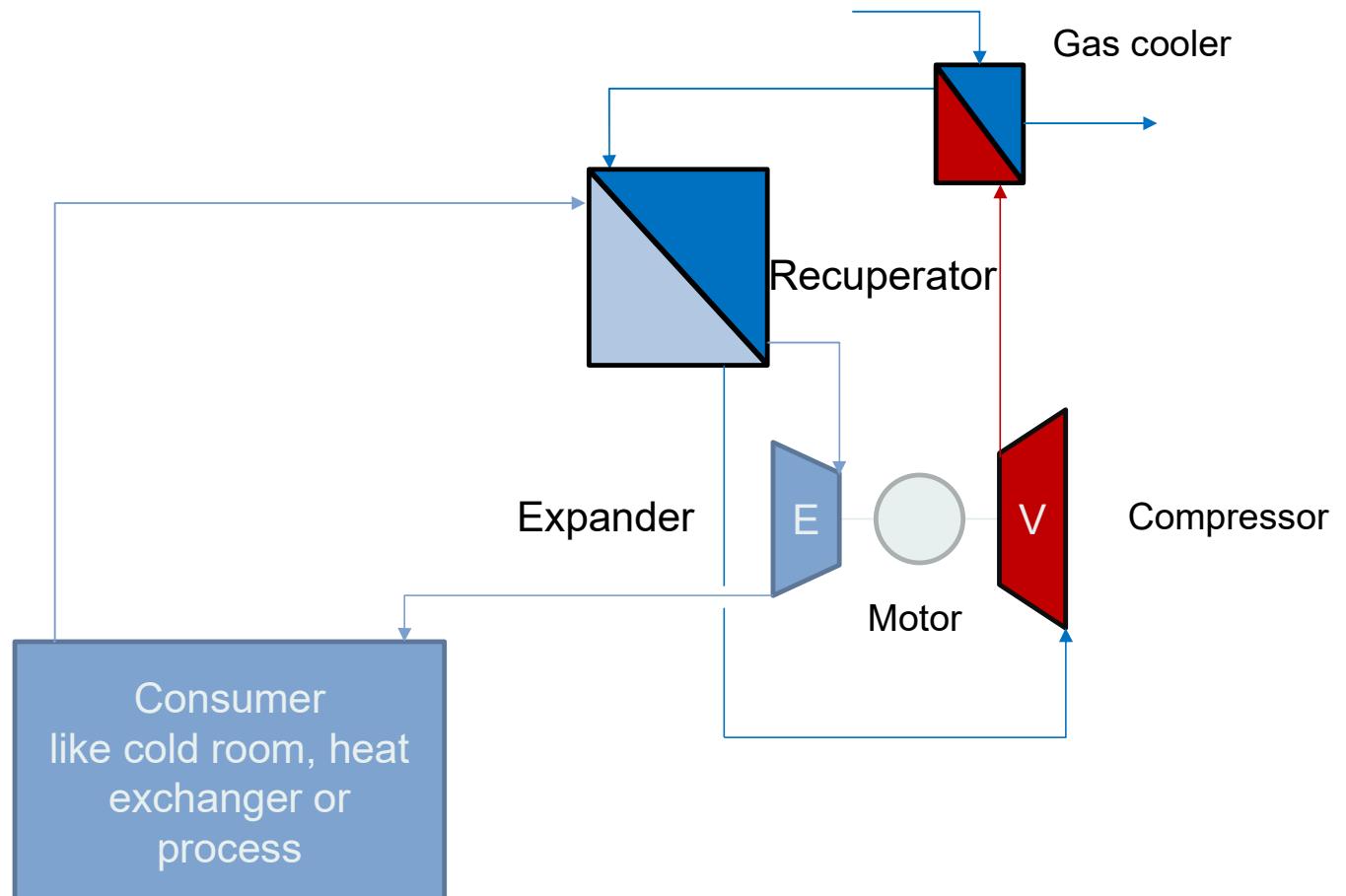
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Thought Experiment – air refrigeration

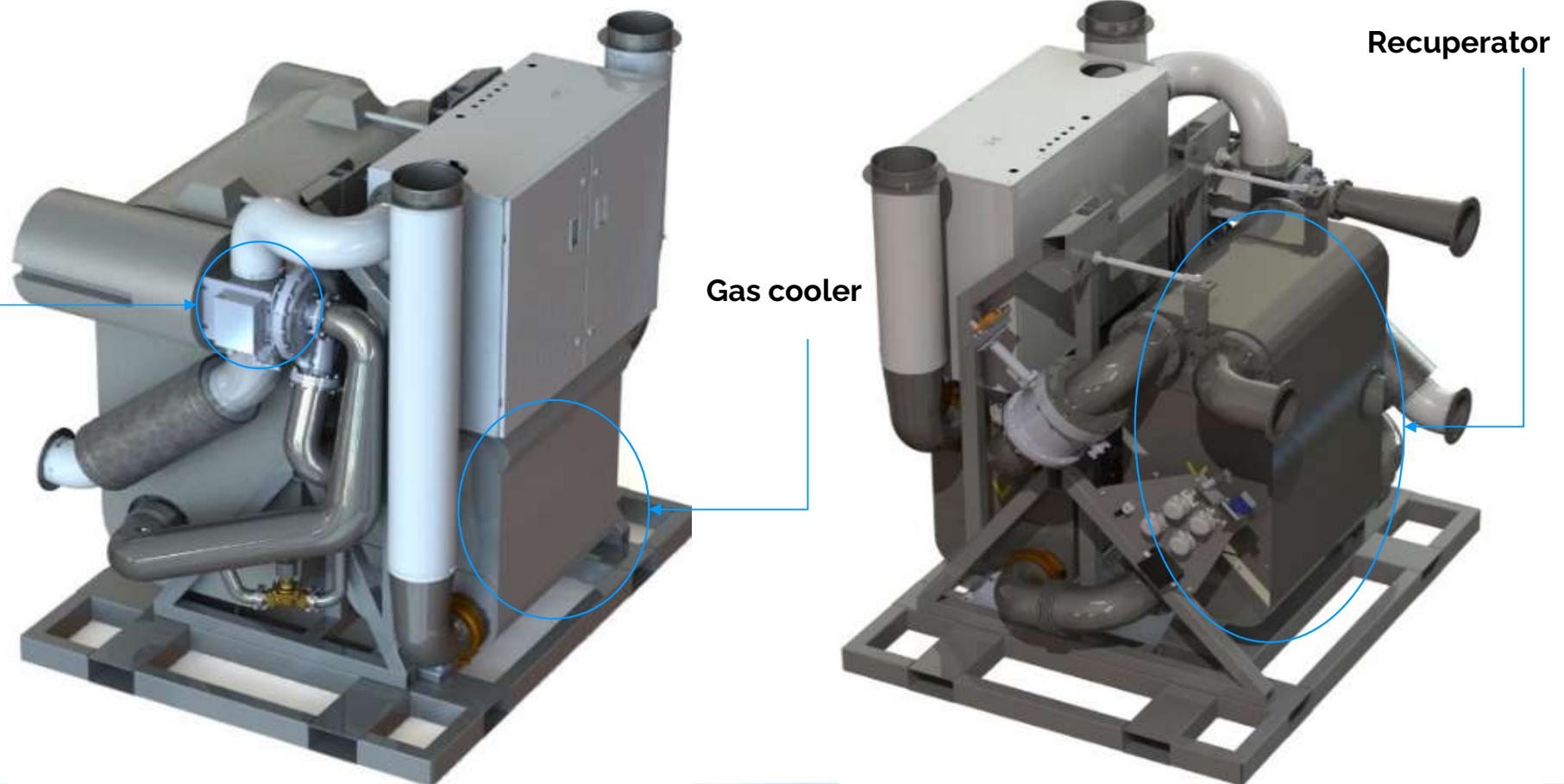
Air pump



Air refrigeration – Mirai Intex machine



Inside the Mirai Intex refrigeration machine



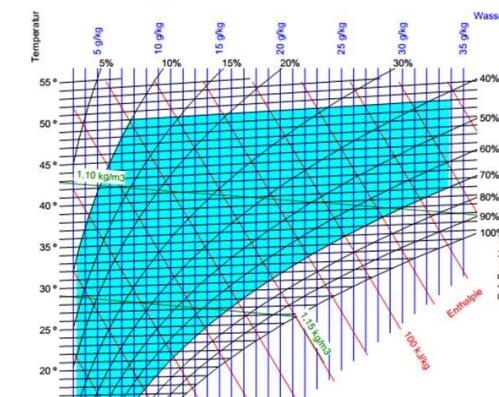
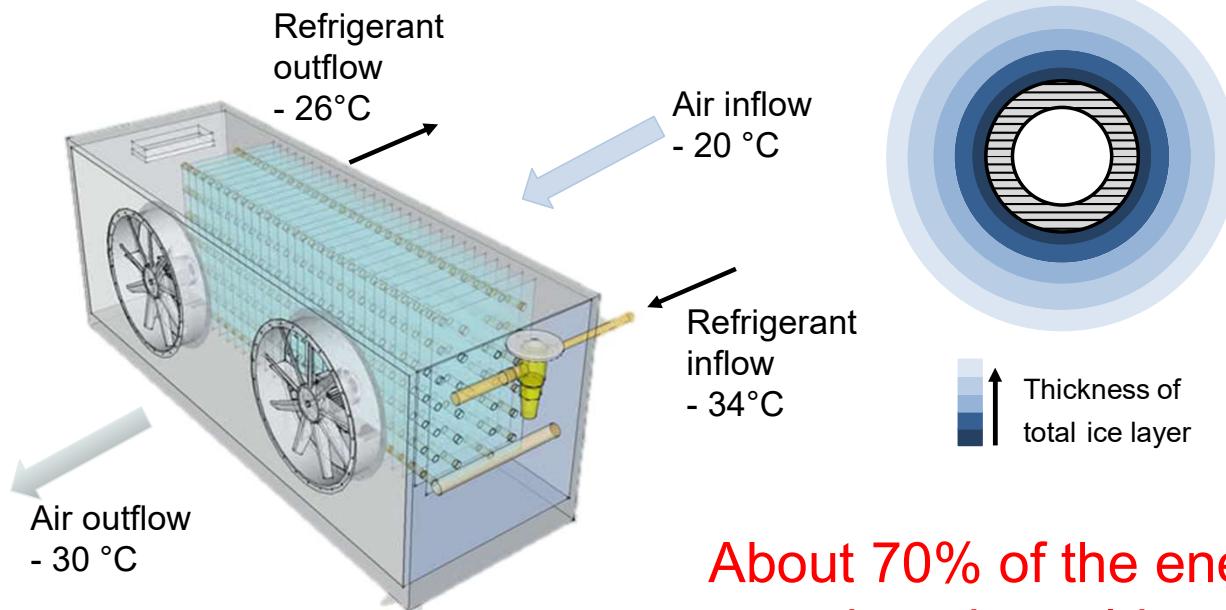
Open cycle

➤ Applications

- Storage
 - Medical – plasma – enzymes
 - Food – sushi fish
- Liquid N₂ replacement
 - Production - enzymes
- Environmental simulation
- Cold deburring
- Cold sauna



Evaporator in common refrigeration

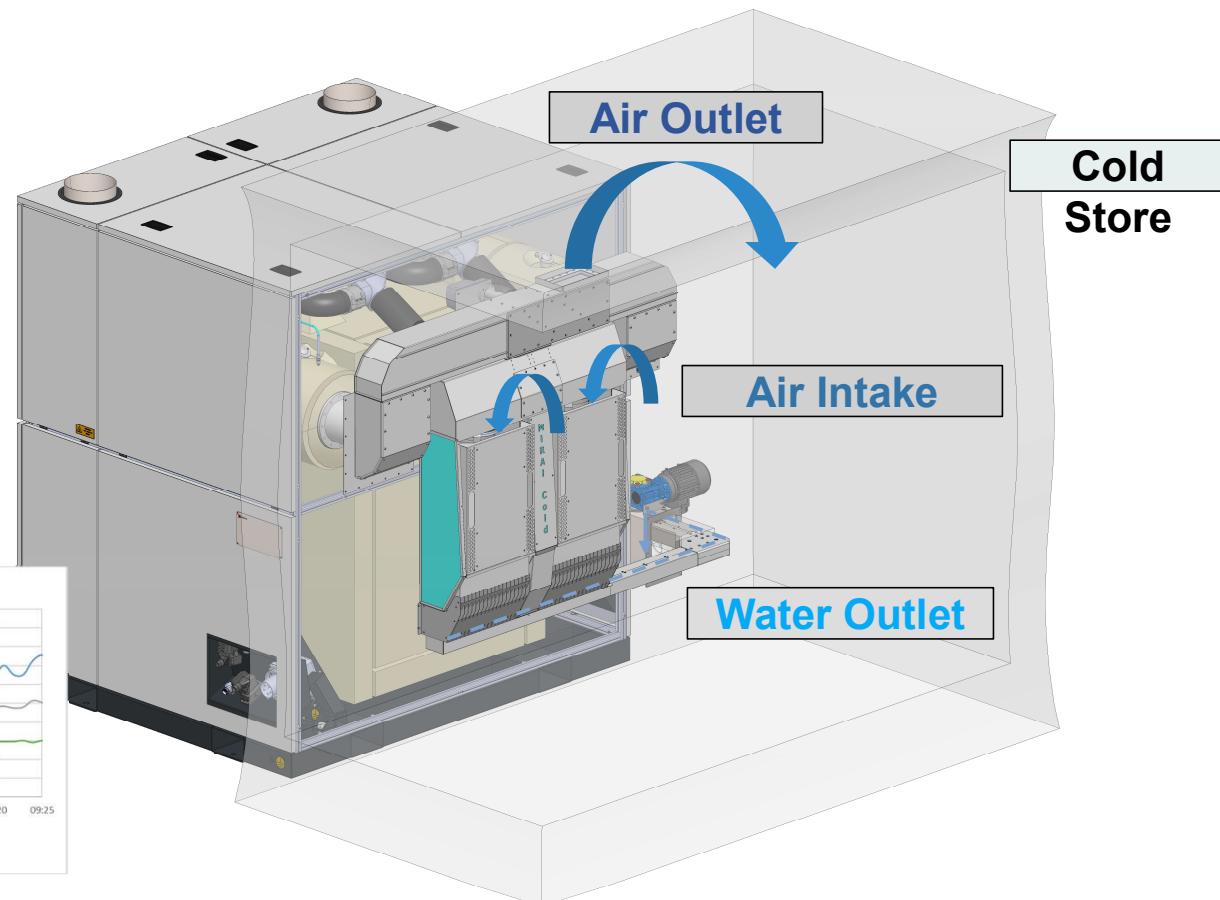
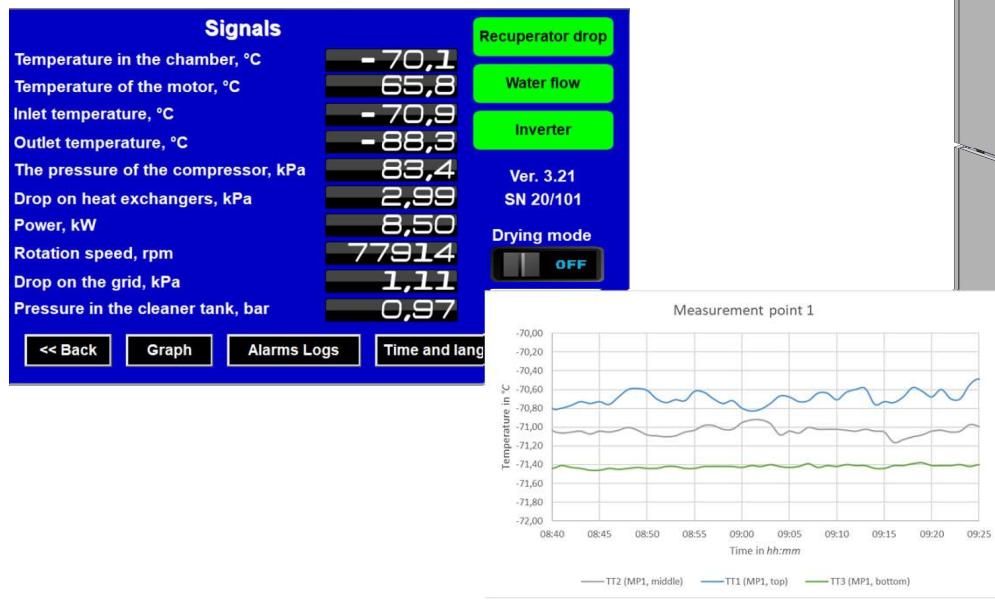


About 70% of the energy for defrosting goes into the cold room

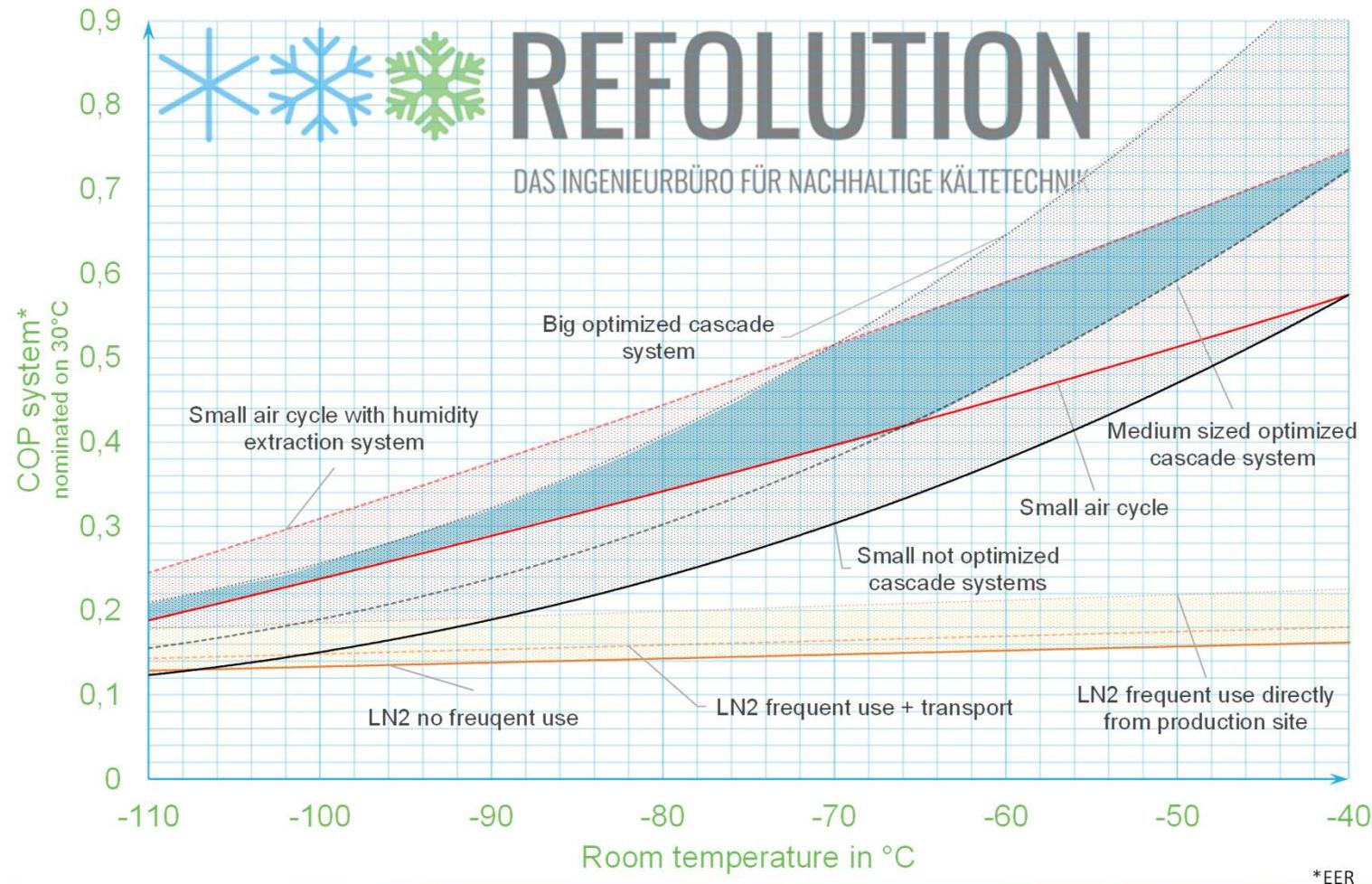
Humidity extraction device - No Evaporator



- ✓ Constant temperature (no defrost)
- ✓ No heat from ventilators and heaters
- ✓ Automated efficient de-icing
- ✓ Low Dewpoint



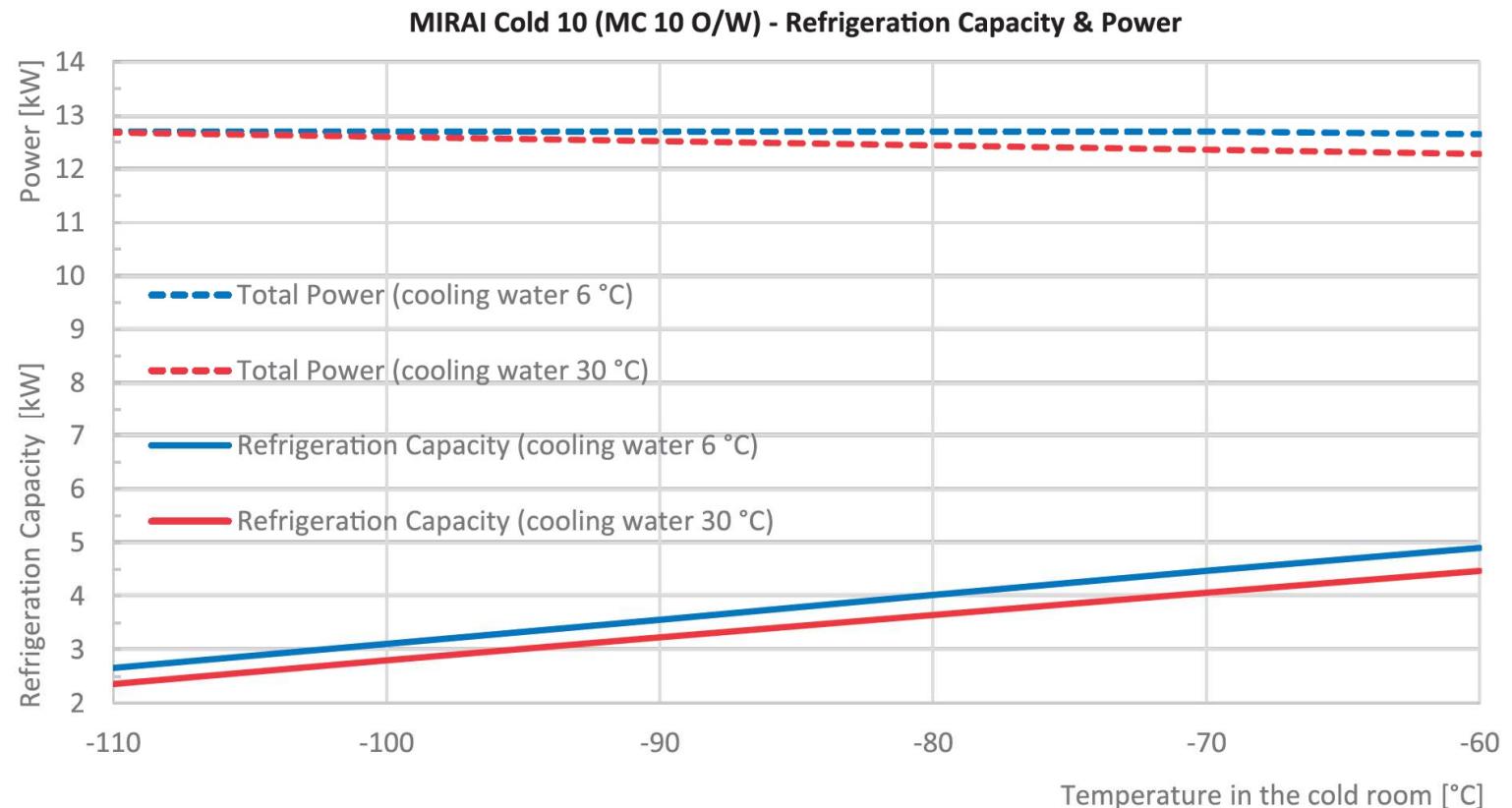
Energy Comparison Full load– open cycle



MC10-O/W



- Open cycle
- Water cooled

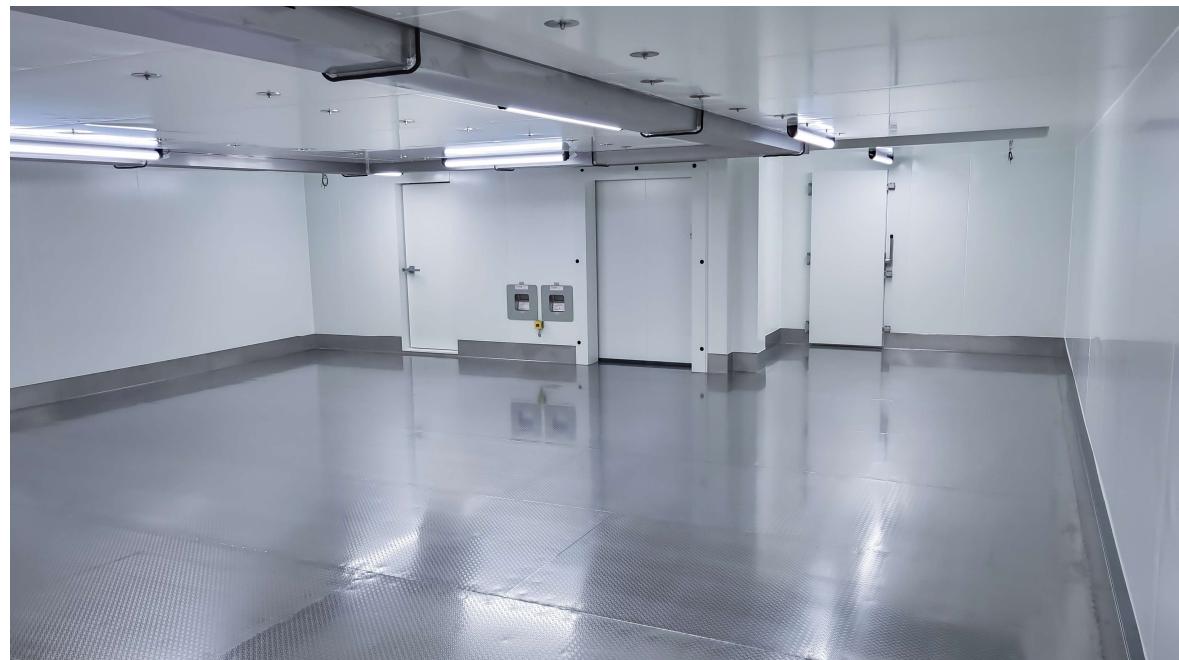


Referenz Recipharm / Wasserburg



Mirai Intex air refrigeration machines (R729)
2+1 MC10 O/W for each room
Redundant cold water supply by Secon
propane chiller (R290)

Flexible -90°C to -20°C storage rooms
2 * 185 m³ / 85 m² storage space
Teledoor insulation chambers





<https://youtu.be/hWRI9LStHVo>

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ULT Container with air refrigeration



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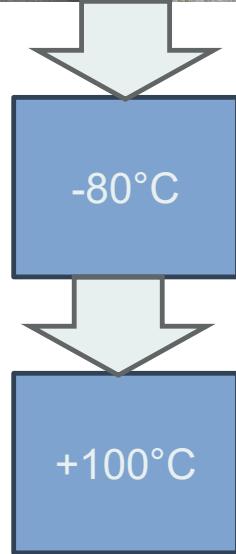
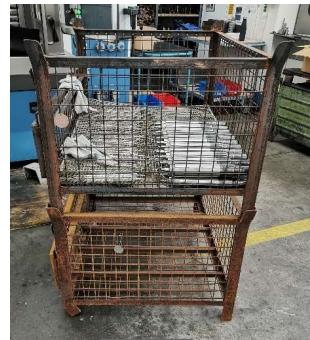
Cryocargo-110



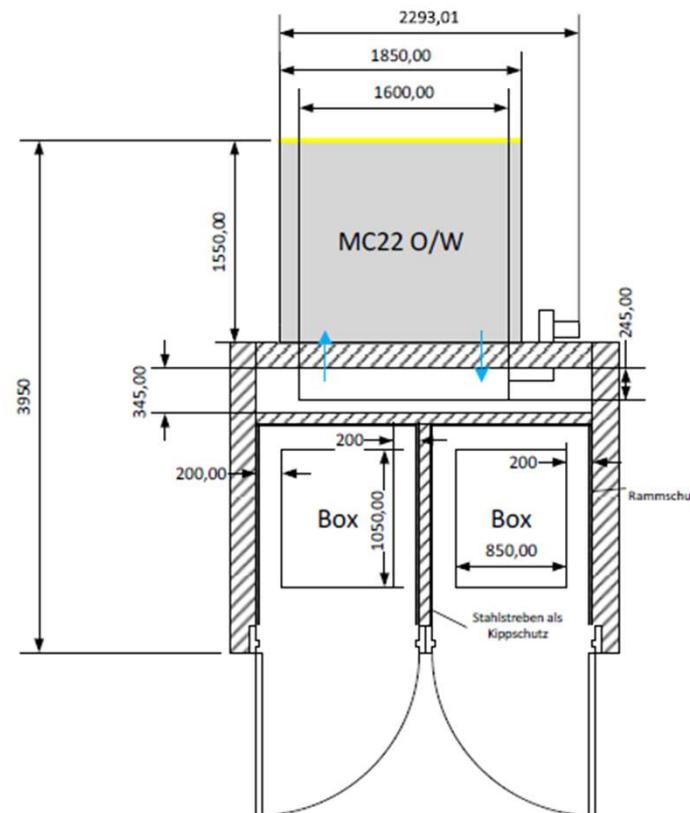
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Steel hardening



Freezer Refolusion Design



Environmental impact price
from BMUV for the process



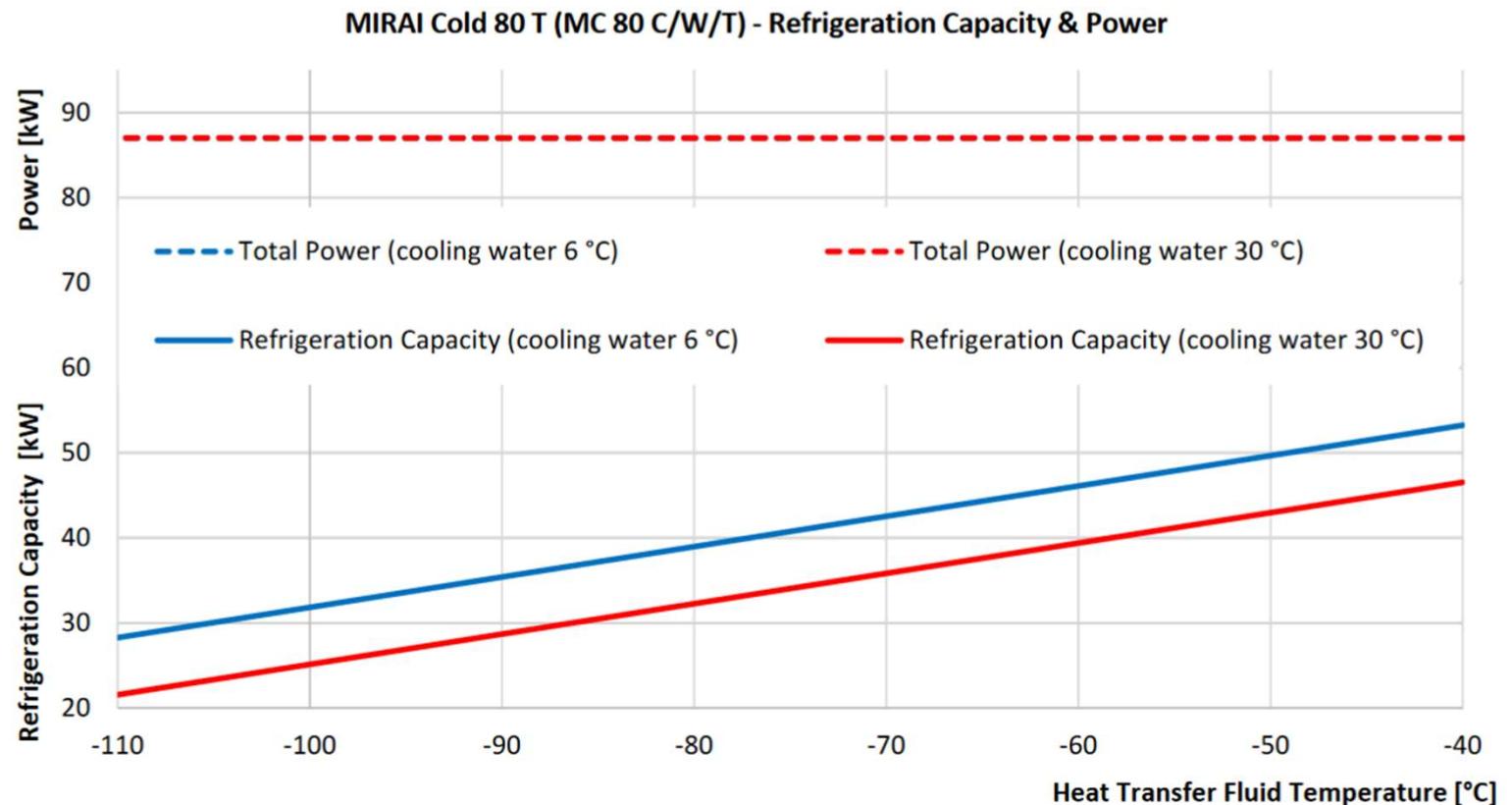
Closed cycle with air

- Application
- Process cooling / production
 - Gas liquefaction
 - Cold trap
 - Recovery of solvents
- Freeze drying/ Lyophilization
- Freezers
- Grinding of plastic
- High-temperature superconductivity

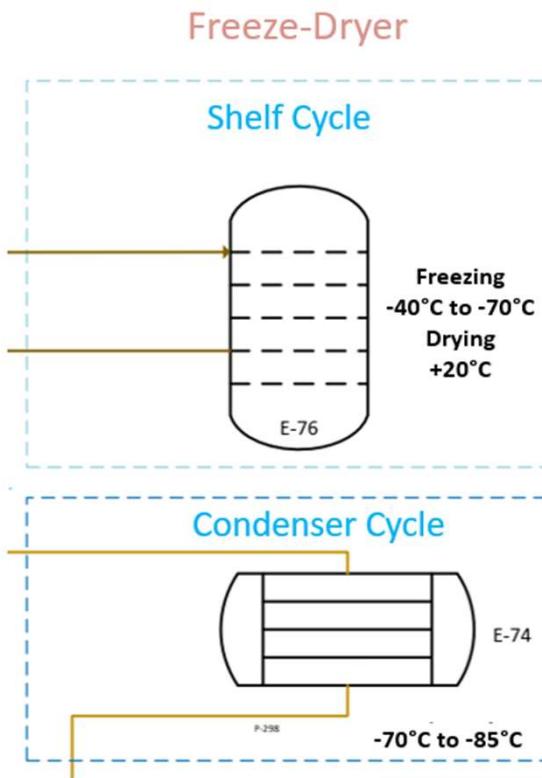
Special construction with Argon



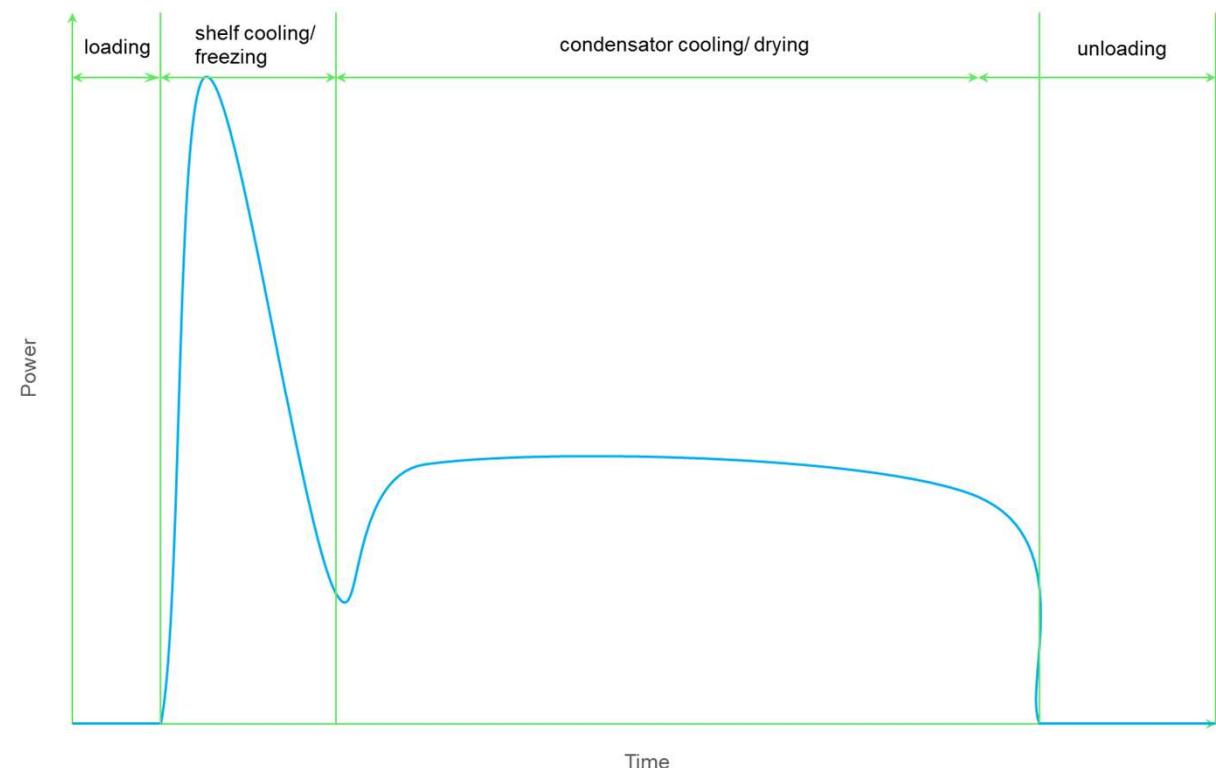
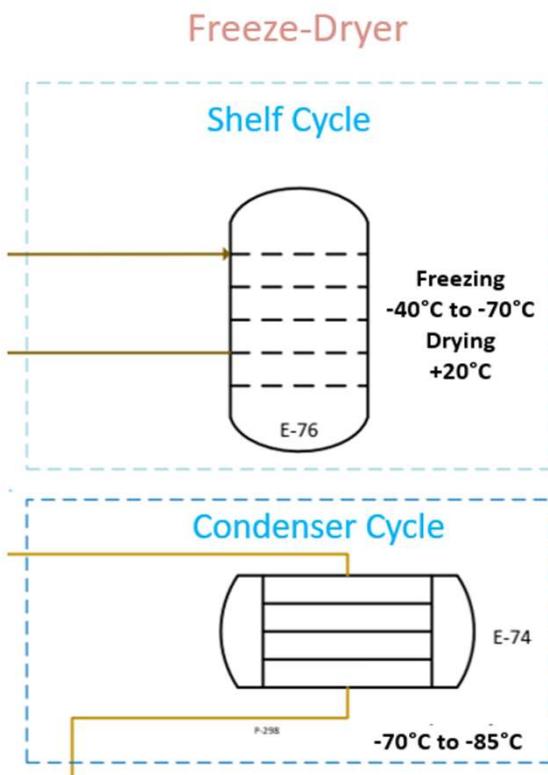
MC80 C/W/T



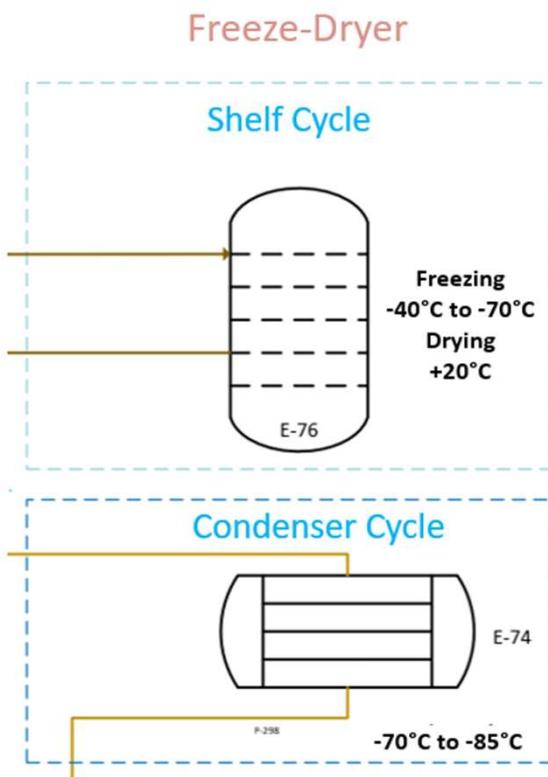
Lyophilization process



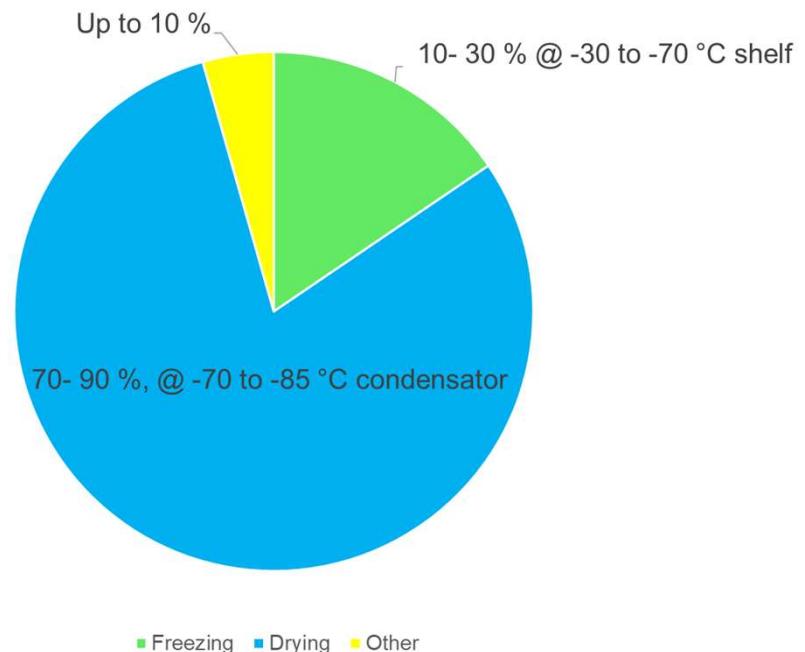
Lyophilization process from the view of refrigeration



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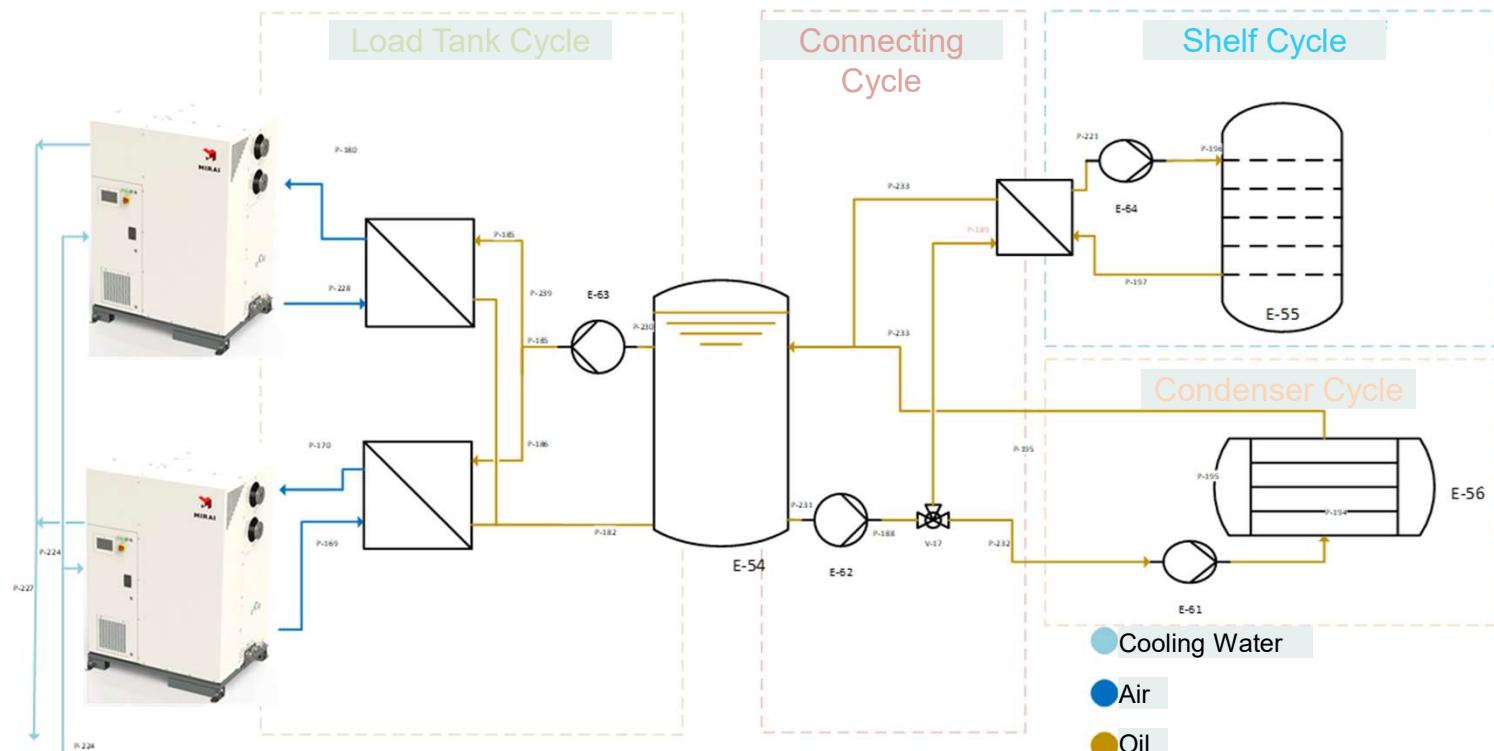


Energy distribution of lyophilization process



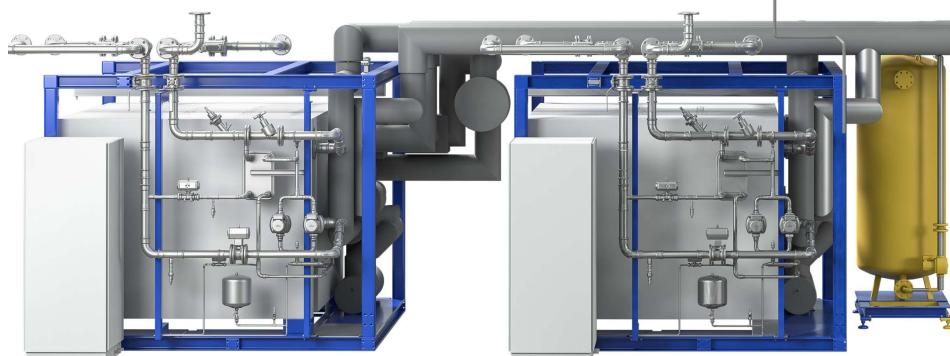
HOF-CryoBlizzard

Freeze dryer with air cycle
refrigeration technology and
load tank

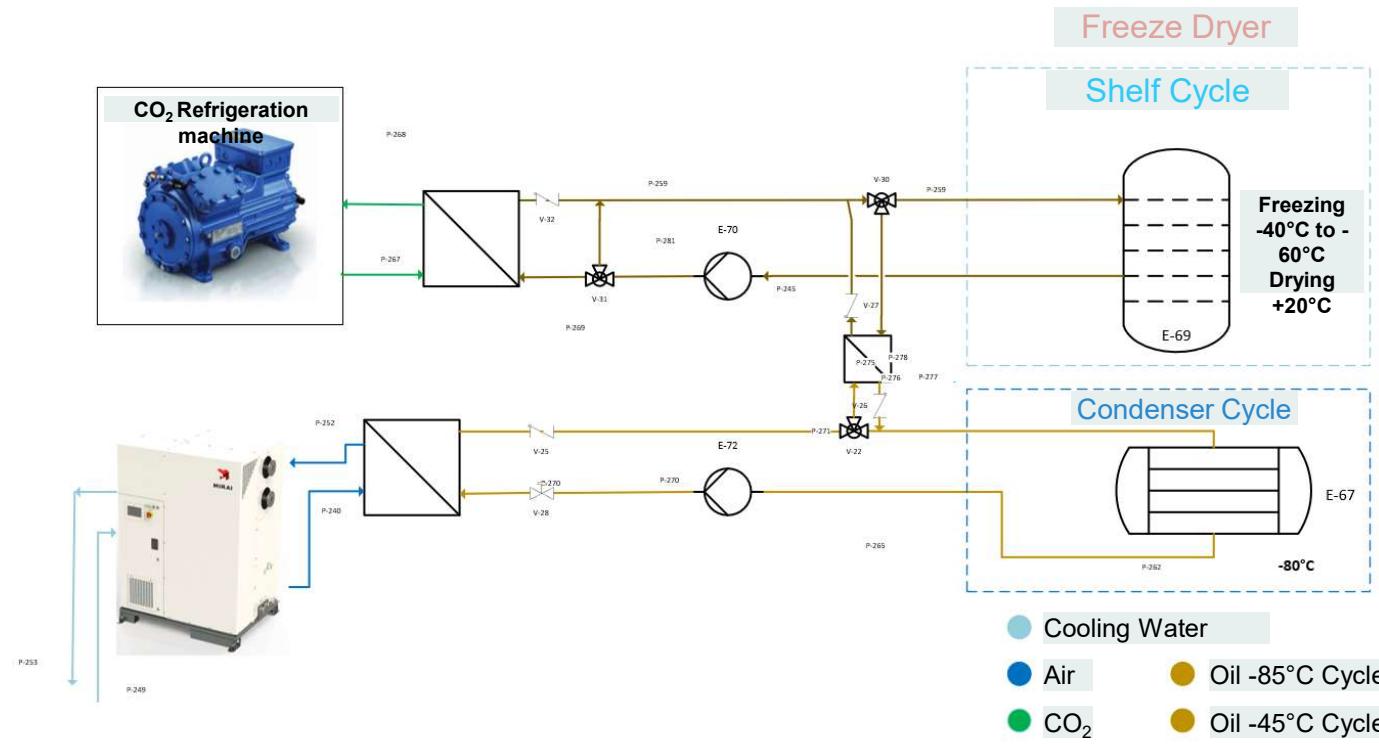


HOF-CryoBlizzard

- Centralized refrigeration plant
- Load tank with layering of 120K
- Reduce refrigeration demand with reduced simultaneity



GEA Lyophilization



Freez and thaw unit with air refrigeration

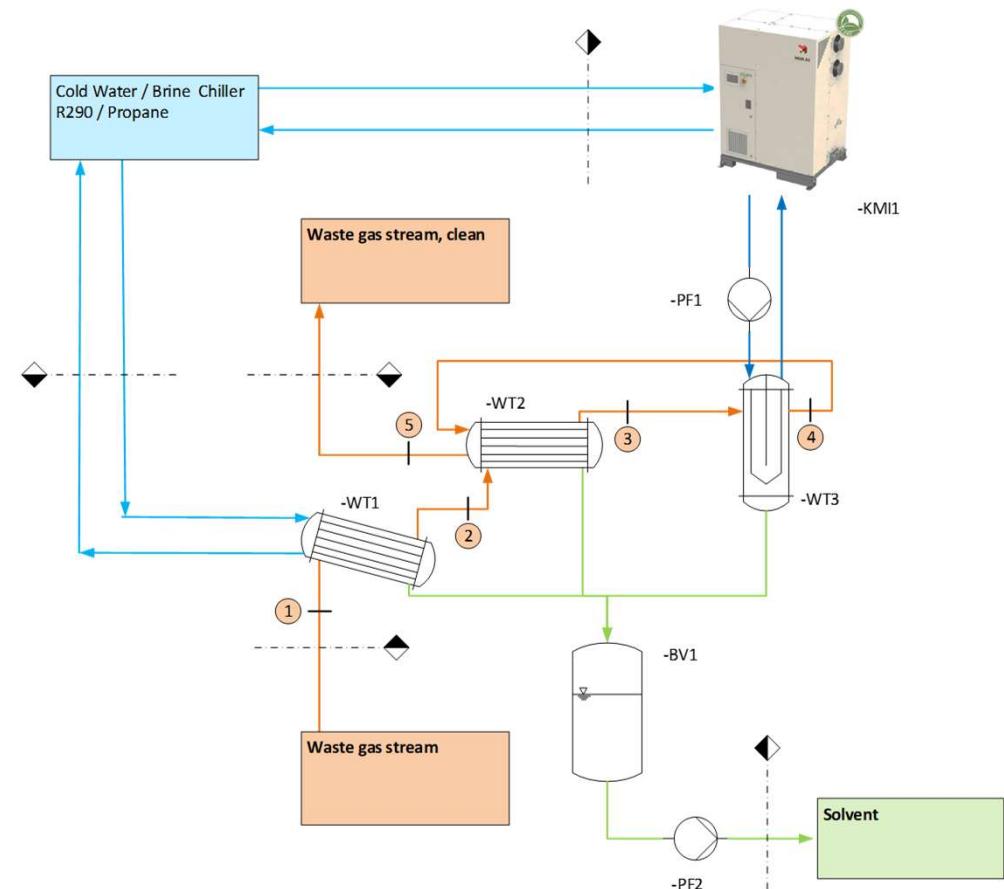
- Blood plasma freezing and thawing unit
- Compact - Integrated air refrigeration machine with PCM load tank



Solvent Recovery



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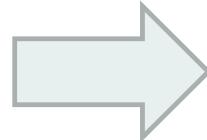
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Measurement of notified body

Average (max)

Abgasvolumenstrom	m³/h, norm, trocken	78,3
orgC (Propanäquivalent)	mg/m³	8852,2
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orgC-gI.Mittelwert-30min-ppm	kg/h	0,136



Below 0,5 kg/h from “TA Luft”

Advantages of air refrigeration from Mirai Intex

- Future-proof
- Environmentally friendly
- Long lifetime
- Fail-Safe
- Safe for humans
- Maintenance-friendly
- Flexible
- Efficient

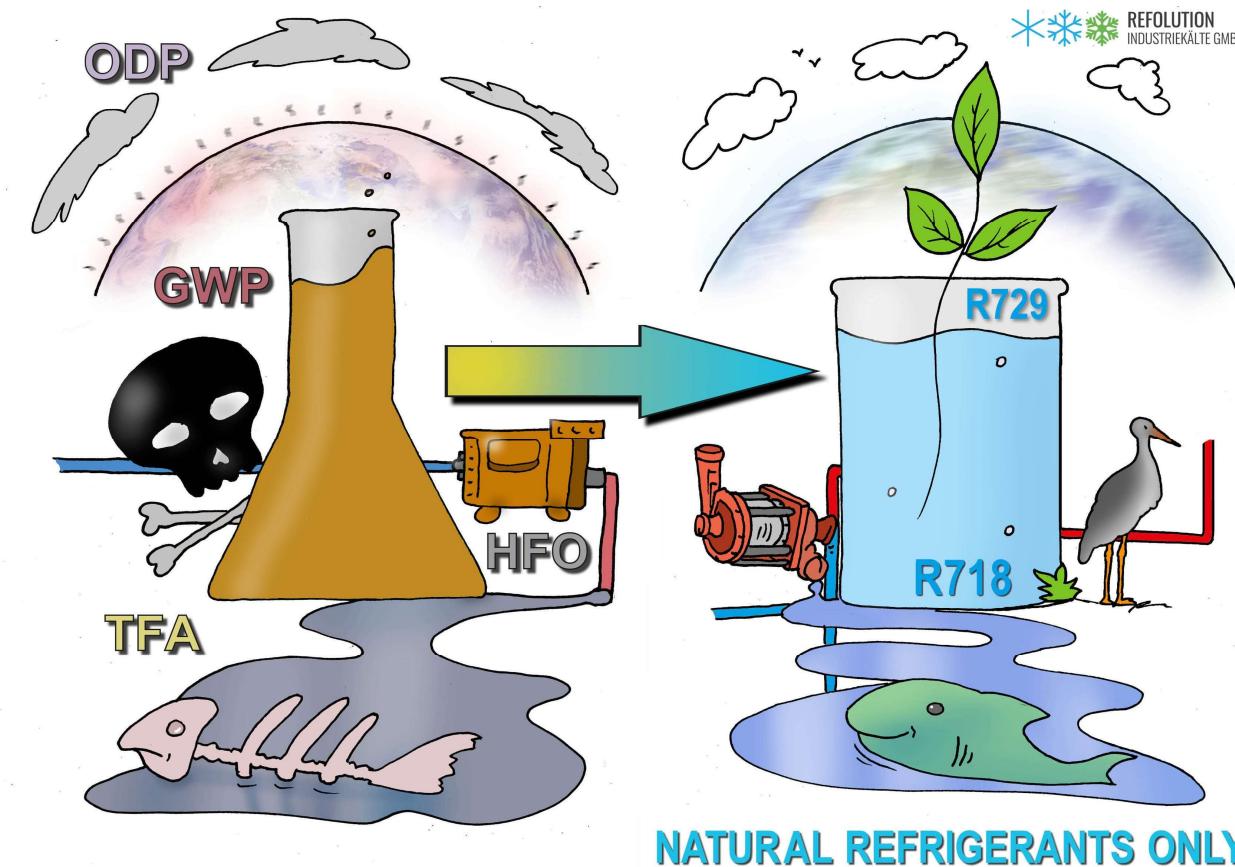
Open machines



Closed machines



It's time for your questions



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