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Storage Technologies and Sector Interfaces

StoreITup-IF

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Consortium



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2.4 M€

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Co-Funding of the SmiLES Method
developed within the EU project
SmiLES applied within StoreTup-IF use
cases
(grant agreement No [730936](#))

Overarching objectives

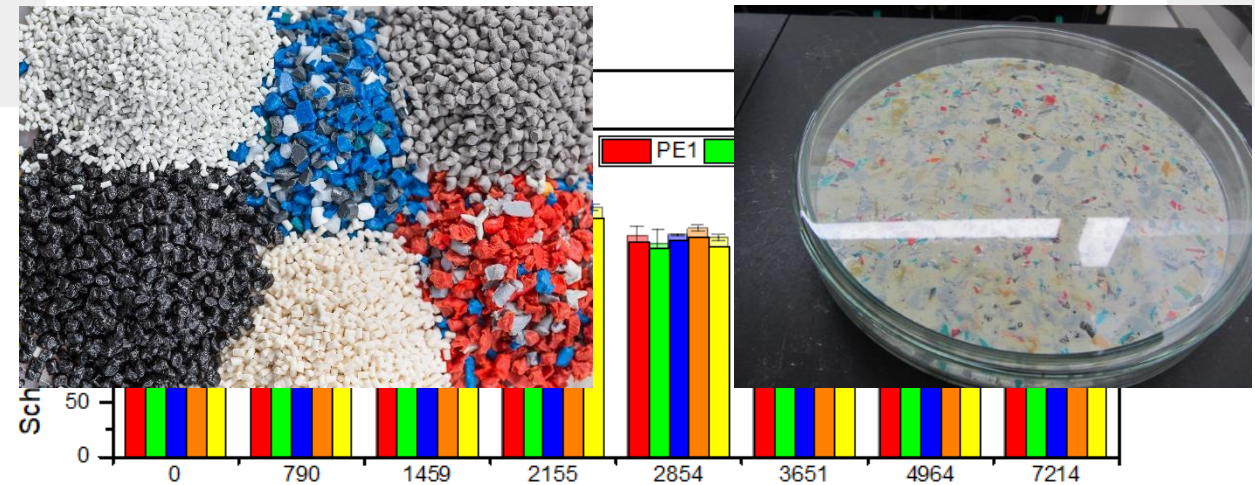
Development of Thermal Energy Storages for

- Short term energy storage (hours, days, weekend)
- Up to 400 °C
- Application in Industry, Solar Energy, District Heating and Power Plants
- Flexible energy capacity: kWh - MWh
- Flexible charging and discharging power: kW - MW



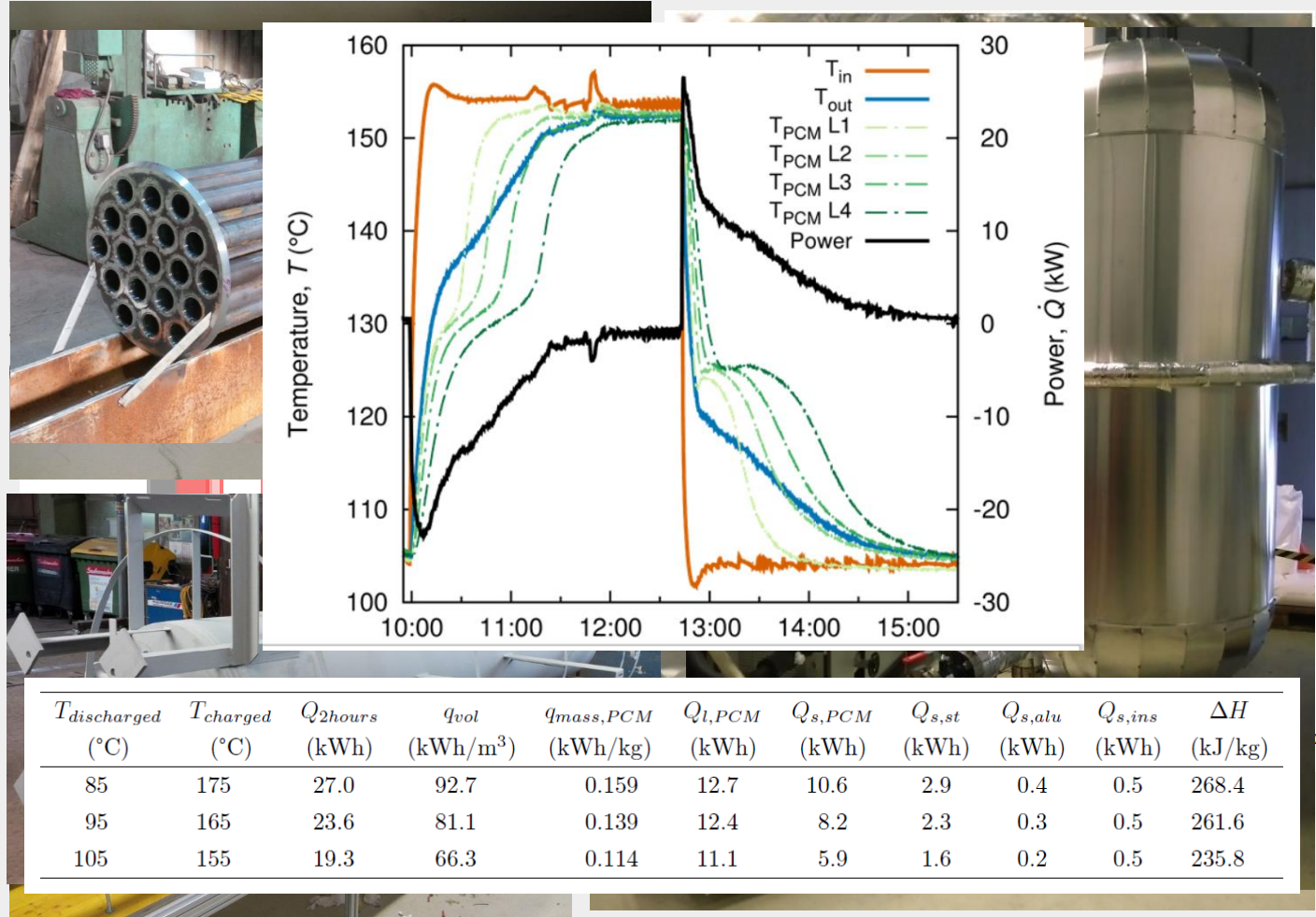
Latent Heat Storage using Polymers as Phase Change Material

- Worldwide large scale production
- More than 100 polymers tested
- Compounds
- Recycling
- Polymers from bio-feedstock
- Against all predictions:
Polymers are suitable as PCM!



Polymer PCM Storage – Lab Scale

- Fast and accurate design models
- Six storages designed and built (10-100 kWh, 10-100 kW, 100-500 kg PCM)
- Industrial production incl. standards
- Different heat exchangers
- Modular design (capacity, power)
- Fully characterized on lab test rig
- Economically viable 30 – 300 €/kWh (power dependent)



Polymer PCM Storage – Application in Polymer Extrusion

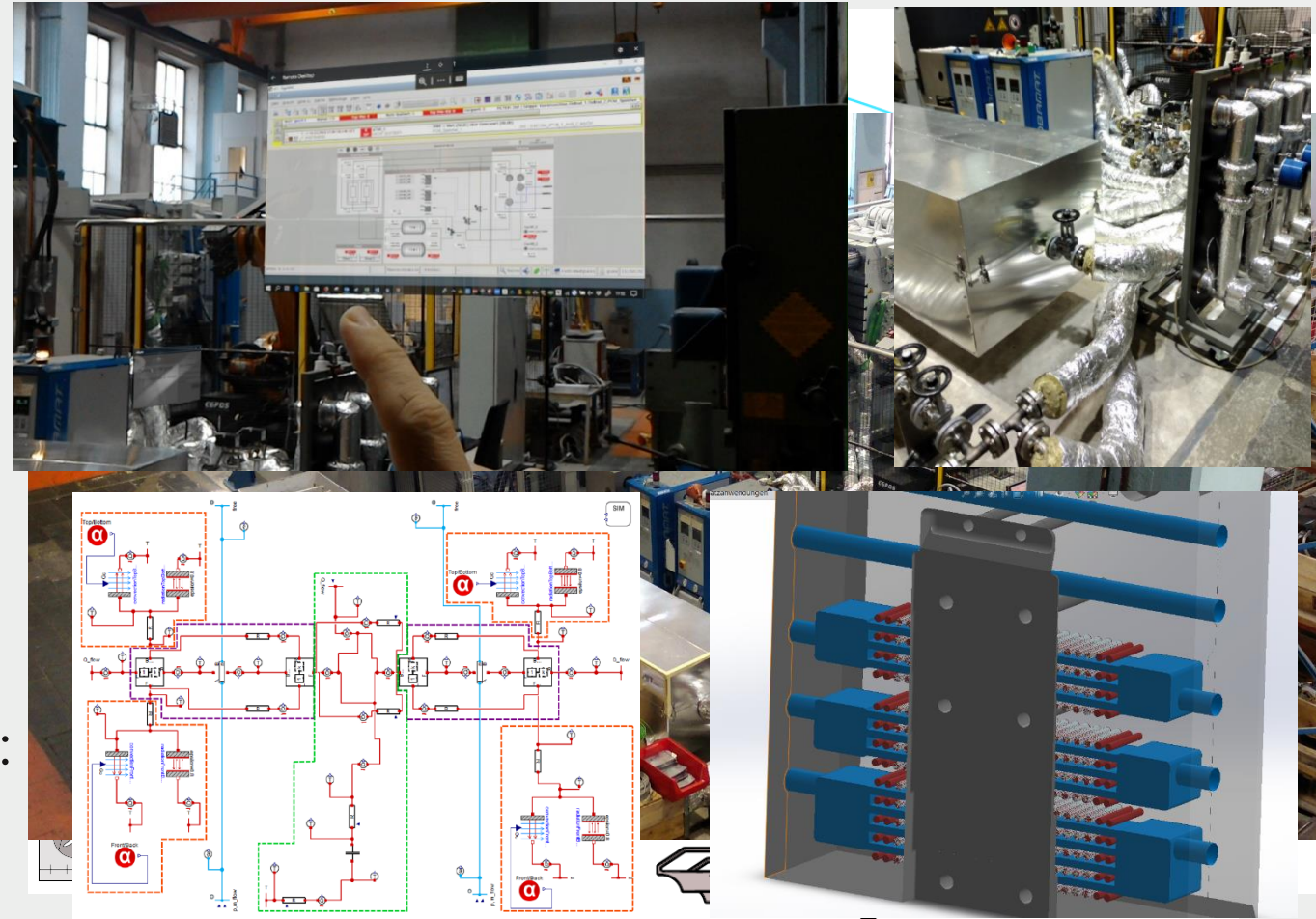
- Almost no PCM storages demonstrated in real applications
- Extrusion is a wide spread process in polymer, food, chemical industries
- State of the art Extrusion Factory: no waste heat recovery possible
- Development of Efficient Extrusion Factory: extensive waste heat recovery and usage
- Demo system tested at real Factory (geba)

Investment Costs for Energy Efficient Extrusion Factory	654.5 kEUR
Annual Savings Austria	257.8 kEUR
Annual Savings Germany	351.8 kEUR



Polymer PCM Storage – Application in Aluminum Die Casting

- Die Casting is a wide spread process: automotive, consumer, machines
- State of the art Casting Factory: no energy, no information exchange
→ *no efficient factory possible*
- Development of Green Foundry 4.0: Industry 4.0 enables energy efficiency
- Demonstrated at industrial scale at AIT: up to 30 % energy efficiency increase
- Best concepts are being implemented in new factories



Lessons learned from the project

- Polymer PCM Storages work well
- Energy efficiency in industry requires a holistic approach
- including modern Information Technology (Industry 4.0 enables energy efficiency)

Barriers

- Energy is still cheap compared to e.g. labor, equipment, tax
- ROI of less than 3 years (as usually required in industry) are difficult to achieve
- Incentives help, if not needed to reach climate goals:
e.g. CO2 tax, efficiency bonus, Best Available Technologies as standard

Deployment of the most promising solutions, replication and scaling

- More than 20 peer publications and conference talks issued
- 6 master thesis, 2 PhD thesis completed (publicly available)
- 3 related patents granted (PCM enhanced Ruth steam storage)
some more in preparation
- More than 15 individual workshops with potential users/customers held - ongoing
- Project portfolio of side-projects developed (completed and ongoing projects):
Tes4SeT, SmiLES, INPATH-TES, envIoTcast, HyCool, HySteps, bPCM, ISolar, Guss4.0, ...
- First steps towards industrial production developed (start-up, partners)

Future R&I, interoperability and inter-regional cooperation

The transition to a truly sustainable society is enormously complicated and diverse!

Thus, many ***more Best Practice Examples*** have to be developed and demonstrated:

- for different applications, e.g.
 - Solar Energy (within EU project HyCool currently food and chemical industry, including steam PCM storage are being investigated)
 - Power-to-Heat (electrification of the energy system)
- for different industrial sectors
 - Employing a holistic approach combining Information and Energy Technology
- In many different countries
 - Due to different preconditions and requirements