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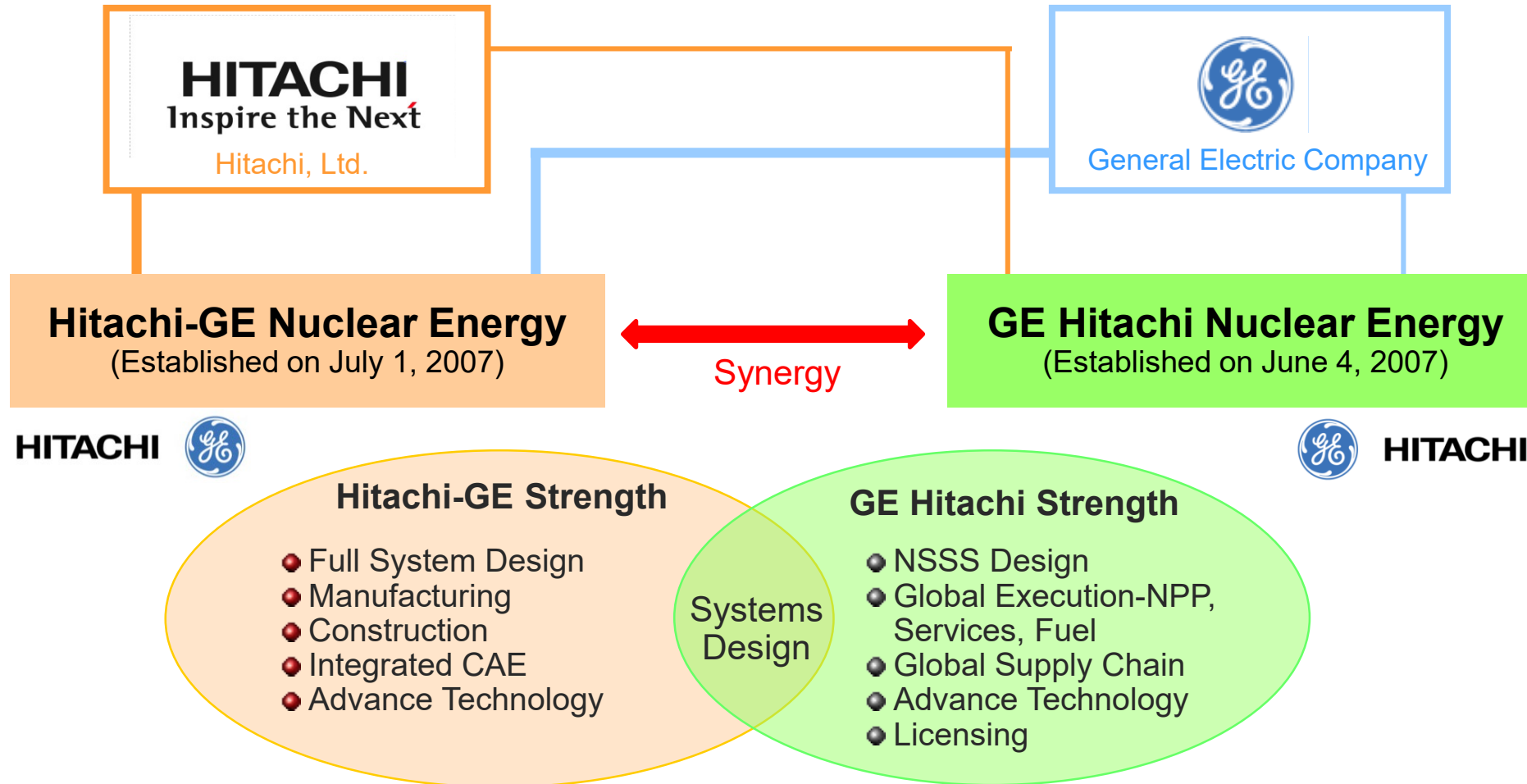
Development of Hitachi-GE's Advanced Reactors

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1 Hitachi and GE global alliance



- Hitachi and GE alliance based on nuclear business collaboration for 50 years
- Committed to develop and promote latest **BWR technologies** and services

2 Hitachi-GE nuclear business scope



Rokkasho Reprocessing Plant

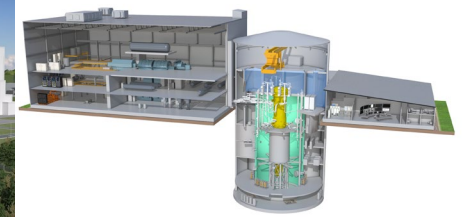


Spent fuel cask

- ▶ Components supply for Monju (SFR) or Rokkasho
- ▶ Spent fuel Interim Storage Casks

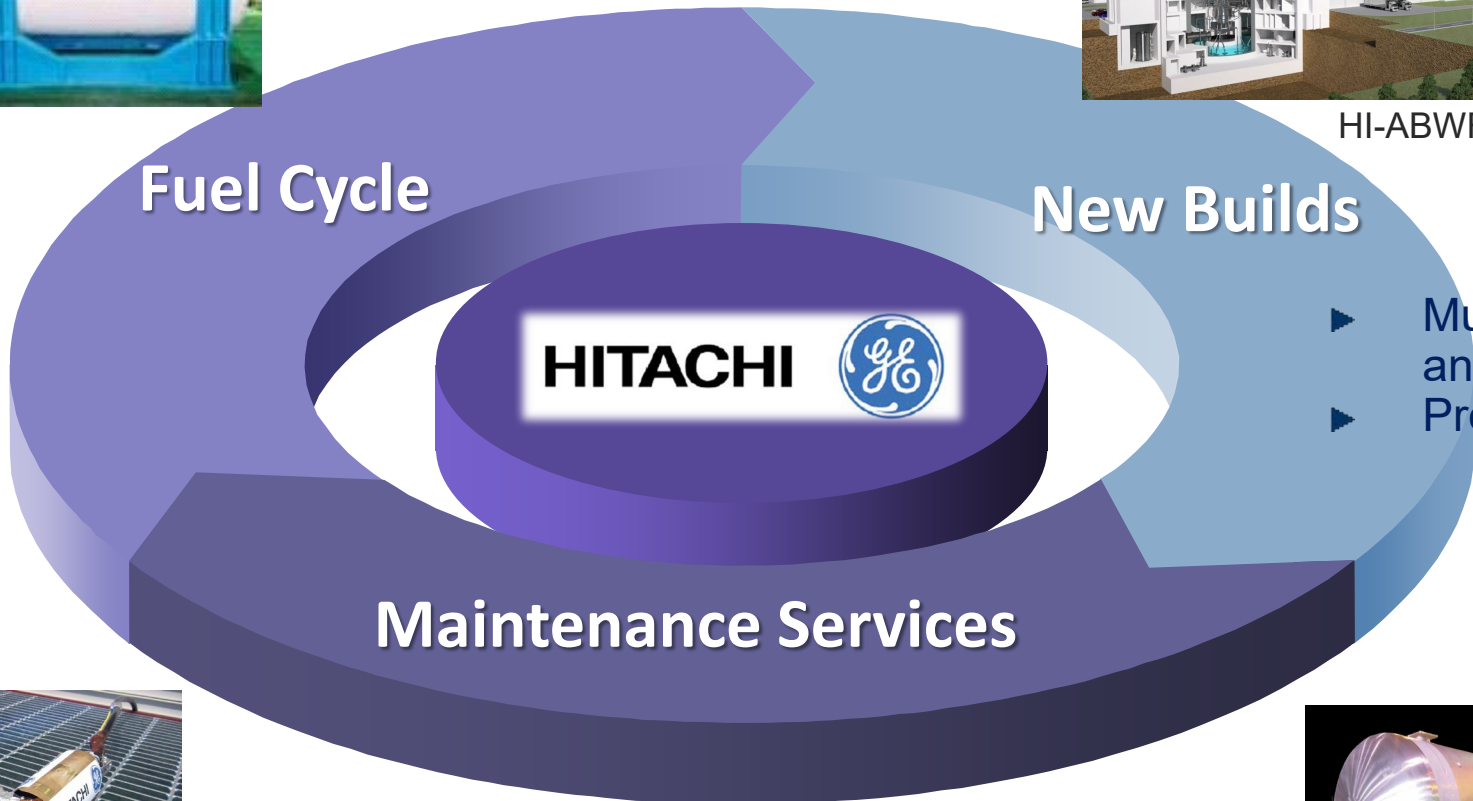


HI-ABWR



BWRX-300 (SMR)

- ▶ Multiple ABWRs in operation and under construction
- ▶ Promotion to global market



Robotics for Fukushima

- ▶ Safety enhancement of Japanese NPPs to allow restart
- ▶ Fukushima Decommissioning etc.
- ▶ Operating plant maintenance service



Filtered Containment Vent

3 World Trend on Nuclear Power

Recent New Builds

- ~60% of new builds constructed by China or Russia
- Russia holds large portion of replace market

Future New Builds

- Majority of planned units to be constructed by China or Russia
- Small number of plants planned in US, UK and Canada

Decom Units Increasing

- Government policy or economic reason to shutdown old units

Utilizing existing units

- Utilizing existing units are on-going in many countries
- Improvement on availability and 60/80 years operation being promoted in US



Carbon Neutral

- Based on the Paris agreement, more than 150 countries/regions had declared CN in 2050
- Plan for large scale deployment of renewable energy






Adv. Reactor Development

- US launched and promoting advanced reactors by ARDP (Advanced Reactor Demonstration Program)
- Canada declared nation's Action Plan to promote SMRs in Canada

Prepare for changes of environment in nuclear power

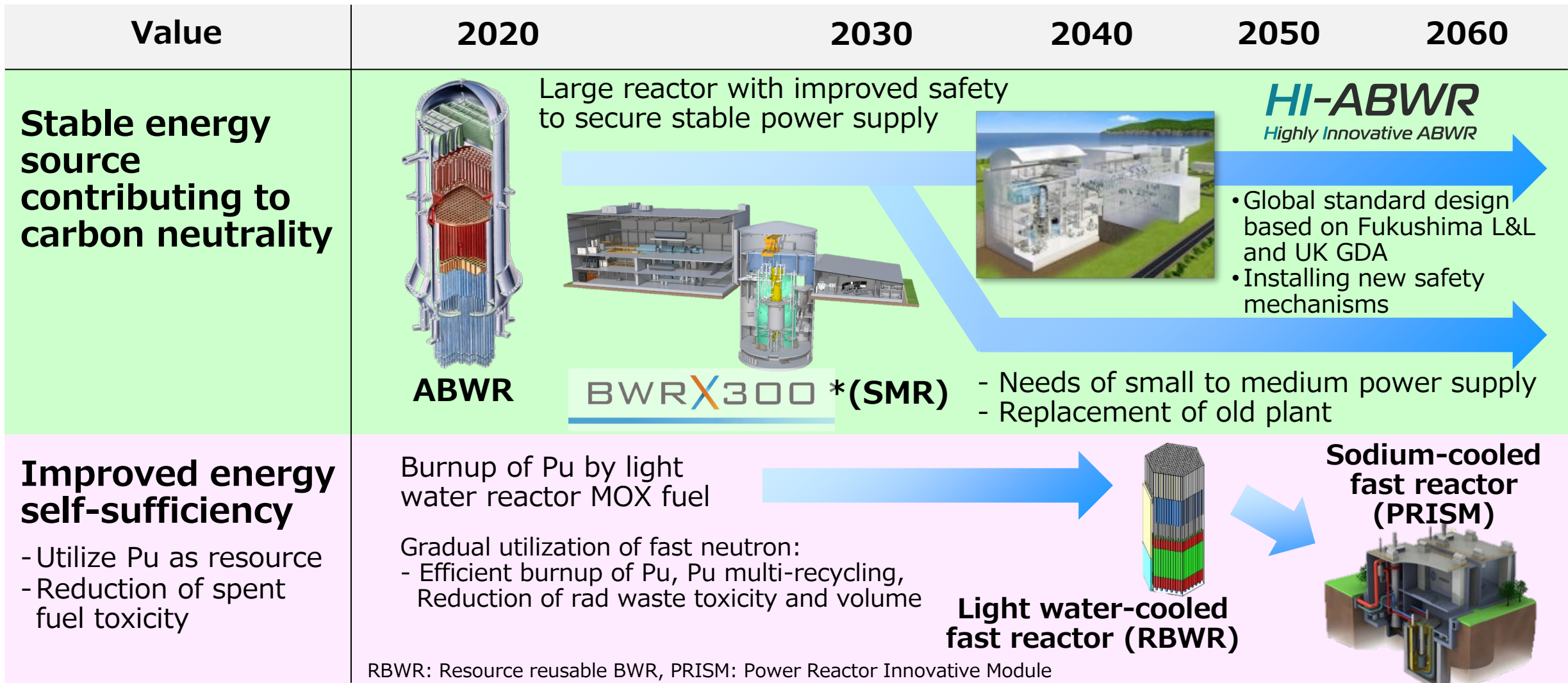
4 Trend on Advanced Reactors Deployment

US Canada: SMR demo/construction, UK/France: Both large and SMR

Country	Recent	Current Status
 USA	Promote SMRs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TVA announced to proceed with BWRX-300 DOE chose small fast reactor and high temperature gas reactor in ARDP (Adv. Reactor Development Program)
 Canada		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OPG and SaskPower picked BWRX-300 for deployment Declared to be a leader in SMR technologies
 UK	Support for large scale reactor project, while SMR development is under consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UK Gov supports Sizewell C project (2 EPRs), with aiming to build max. 8 reactors and to realize 25% by nuclear (2050) Great British Nuclear has been launched by government with a mission to identify the best small modular reactor (SMR) technology for the UK (potentially 2 units) FNEF(Future Nuclear Enabling Fund) for SMR developments
 France		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President supports 6 units of EPR2 (potentially 8 units) Promoting to develop/deploy SMRs
 EU	Preparing SMR development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SMRs deployment planned in Poland, Estonia and Czech to follow Cooperating in regulatory issues for deploying SMR

TVA : Tennessee Valley Authority OPG : Ontario Power Generation

Creation of new value and contribution to safe and sustainable power generation



* BWRX-300 has been being developed with our sister company GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy.

6 Concept of Highly Innovative ABWR (HI-ABWR)

Based on **international standard ABWR**※ which considers Fukushima lessons learned and meet UK/European requirements, **further new safety mechanisms** are implemented

HI-ABWR
Highly Innovative ABWR

Highly Innovative ABWR (HI-ABWR)

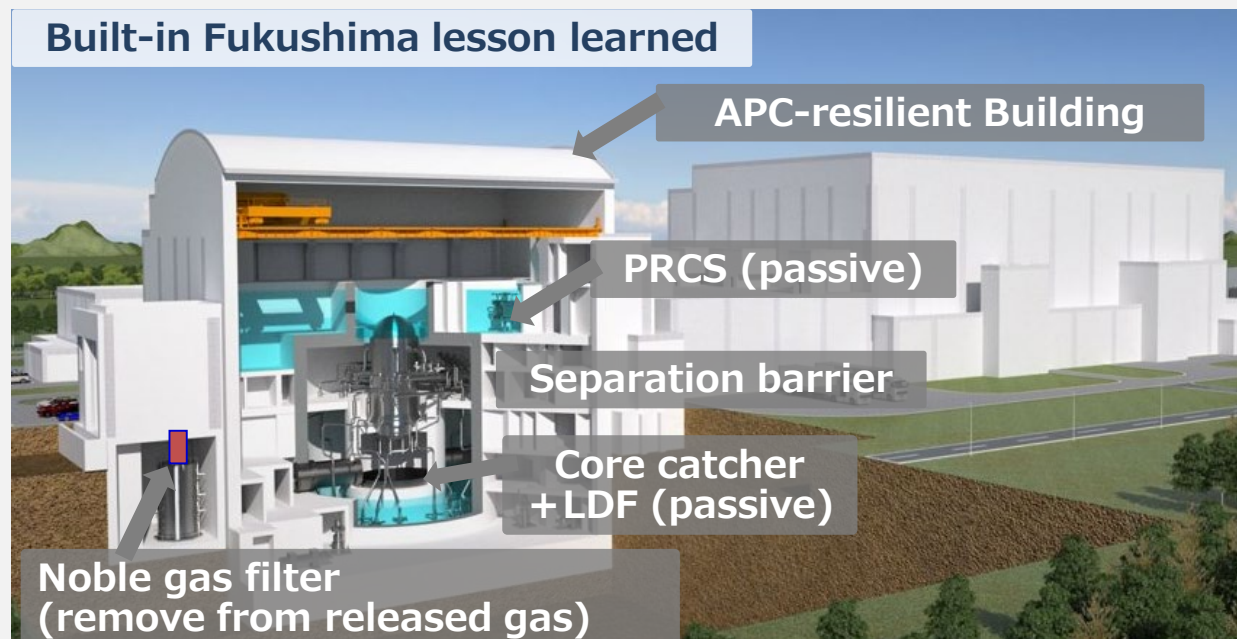
Reactor to be accepted by society that experienced Fukushima

1. Innovative safety

- Stronger measures for natural disaster, terrorism, internal hazards
 - Strengthen building for airplane crash
 - Enhanced seismic design
 - Safety-divisional separation barrier for internal hazards
- Passive safety system
 - PRCS*1
 - Core catcher + LDF*2
 - COPS*3
- Cut externalities during severe accident
 - Compact radioactive (noble gas) filter

2. Contribution to carbon neutral

- BWR's inherent flexible operation for social needs
 - 10x10 fuel for high burn-up, uprate, extended cycle, full core MOX
 - Load following



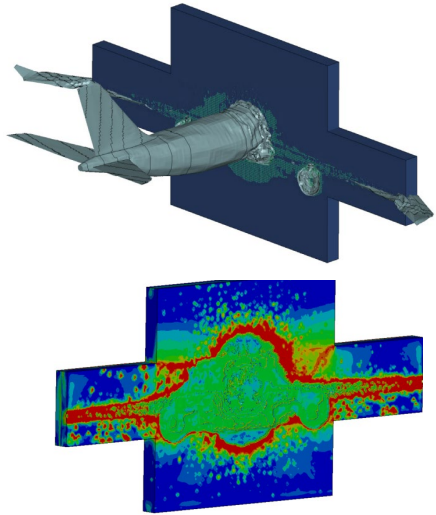
- Competitiveness among diverse power sources
 - Innovative but matured systems, proven ABWR construction method
- Operation/maintenance efficiency
 - Next generation control room
 - Designed for maintenance

*1 : Passive Reactor Cooling System
*2 : Lower Drywell Flooder
*3 : Containment Over pressure Protection System

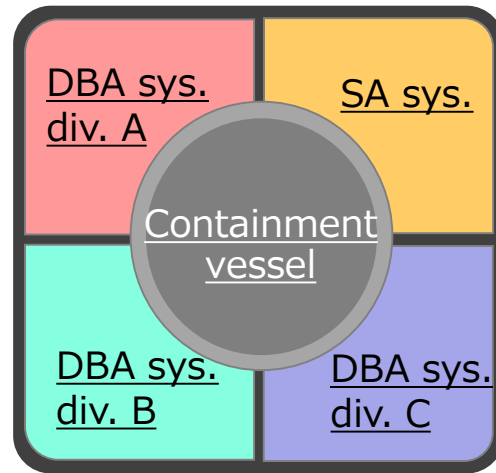
Airplane crash countermeasures

Protection planned according to NEI guideline (NEI 07-03), reviewed in UK ABWR licensing.

- Physical damage: protection by exterior walls
- Fire: safety-divisional separation barriers protect so that at least one safety division always survives
- Shock vibration: the effect is reduced by exterior walls



Example of physical damage analysis

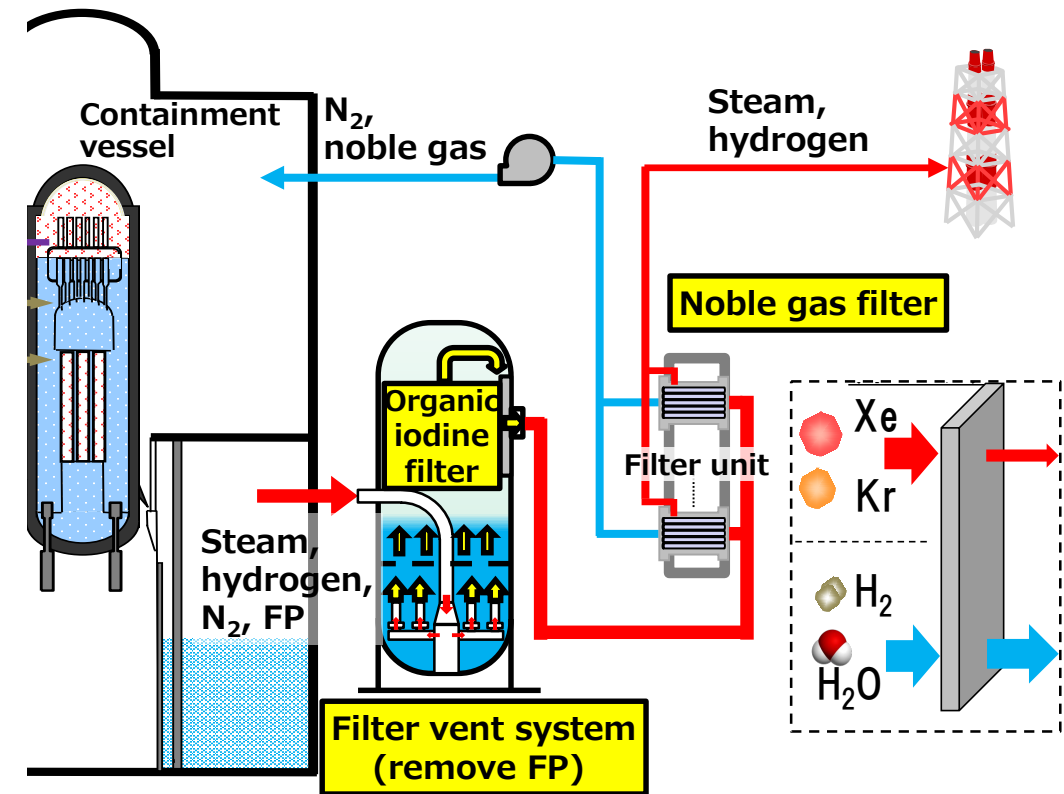


Safety-divisional separation barrier

Containment system for radioactive materials

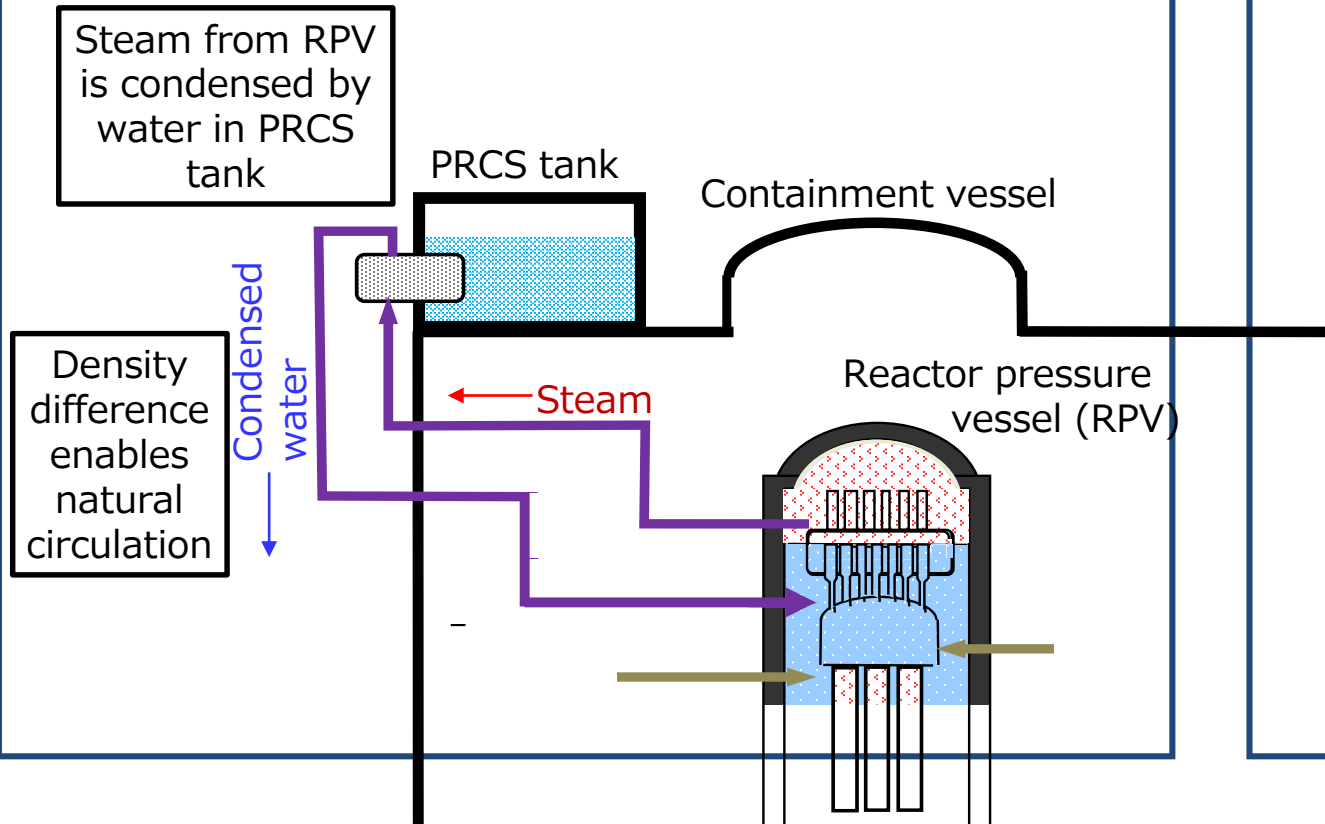
Noble gas filter avoids to release radioactive noble gases while releasing steam and hydrogen during severe accidents.

- Reduce the risk of hydrogen combustion
- Reduce the risk of local resident's evacuation



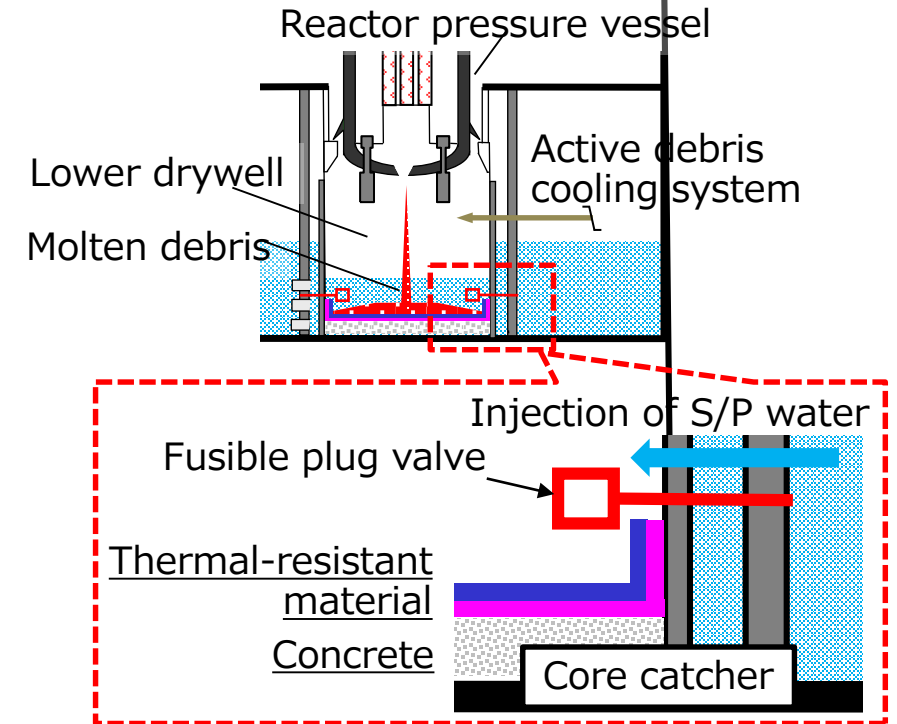
PRCS: Passive Reactor Cooling System

- Decay heat can be removed by natural circulation during severe accidents.
- No operator actions are required for 24 hours with automatic start.



LDF: Lower Drywell Flooder

- Core catcher prevents the concrete erosion by molten debris.
- Cooling water is supplied from suppression pool (S/P, enough for 3 days cooling) without operator actions using fusible plug valve which is open automatically when the atmosphere heatups.



9 Major Features of BWRX-300

Small LWR with enhanced safety, economy, construction and flexibility
Developing with our sister company, GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy

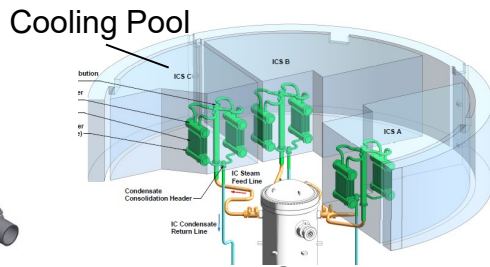
Innovative safety system

Mitigating
LOCA

7 days cooling without
power/actions



Integral RPV
Isolation Valve



Isolation Condenser
System (ICS)

Shortened construction

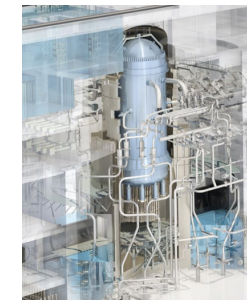
Module construction technology



Module of HP
Drain Pump/
Piping/Valves
for ABWR

Cost Reduction

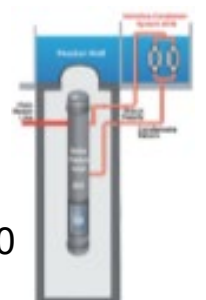
Introduction of innovative system
leads to reduction of SSCs*



ABWR



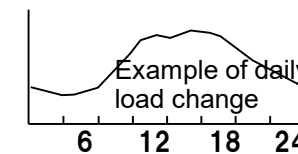
BWRX-300



* SSCs: Structures, Systems and Components

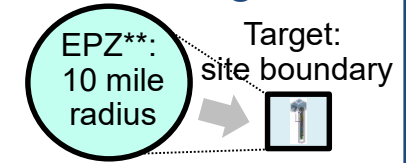
Flexibility

Operation

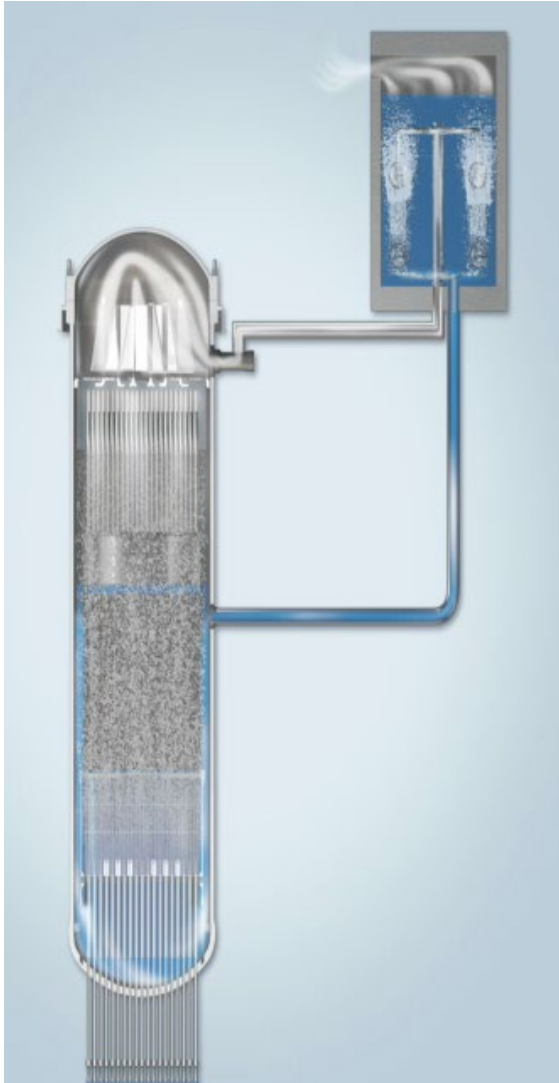


Responding to daily
load change

Siting



Mitigated effects of
severe accident leads to
small EPZ**



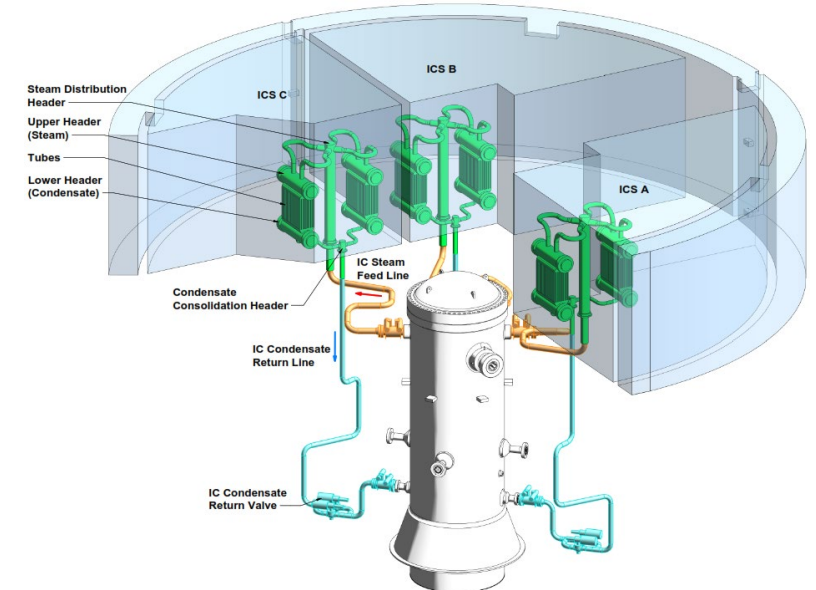
Natural circulation design + Isolation Condenser System (ICS) + Integral Isolation Strategy

Outcomes:

- LOCA (Loss of Coolant Accident) mitigation
- Eliminates need for multiple systems
- Removes decay heat while maintaining water inventory
- Inherently safe with no operator action or AC power
- 7 days cooling without power/actions



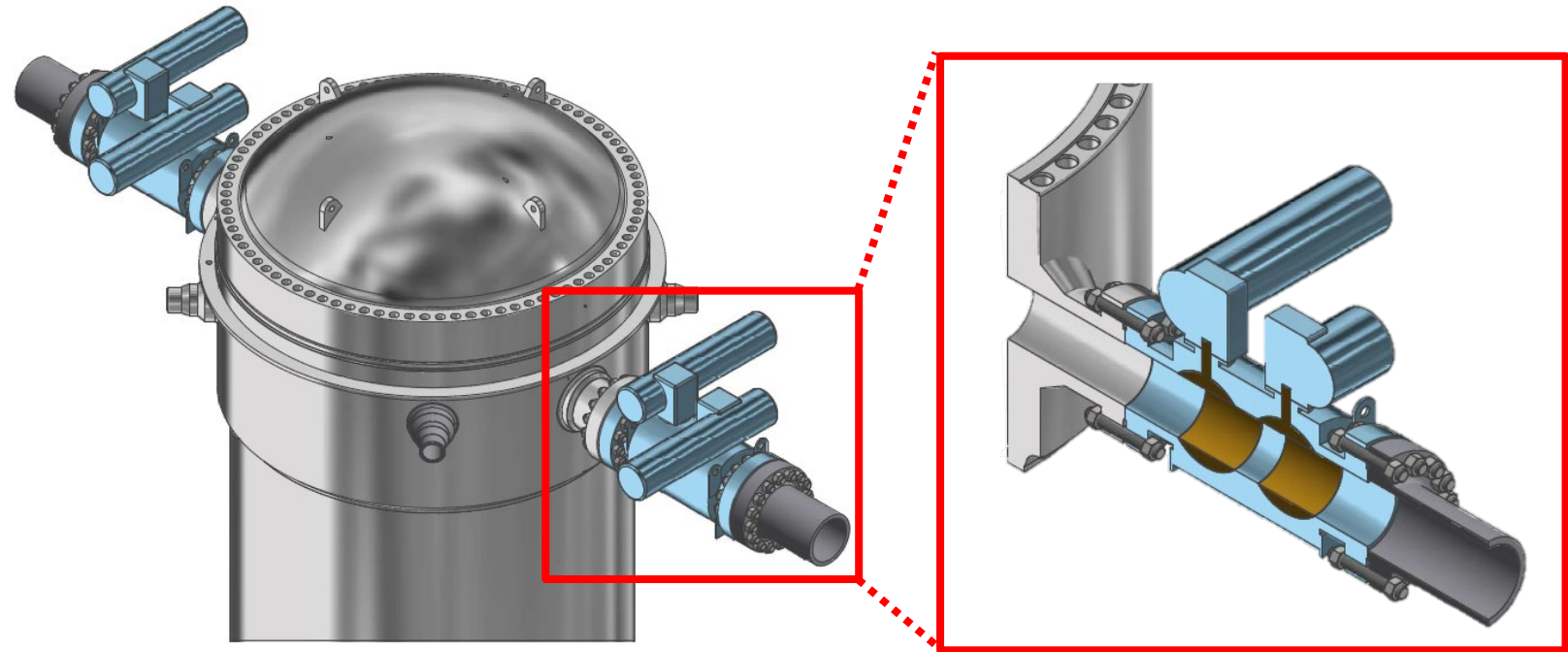
Integral RPV Isolation Valve



Isolation Condenser System

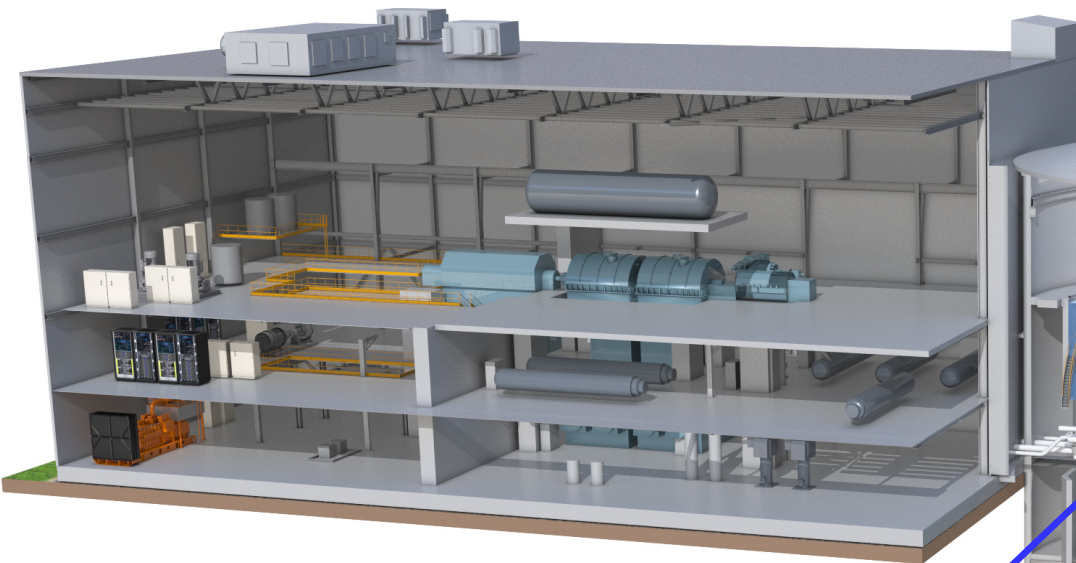
Breakthrough innovation concept to mitigate large and medium LOCA

- Large non-isolable pipes between RPV and isolation valves eliminated
- Large break Loss of Coolant Accident (LOCA) potential greatly reduced
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approved in the U.S.
- Enables dramatic design simplification and elimination of unnecessary systems



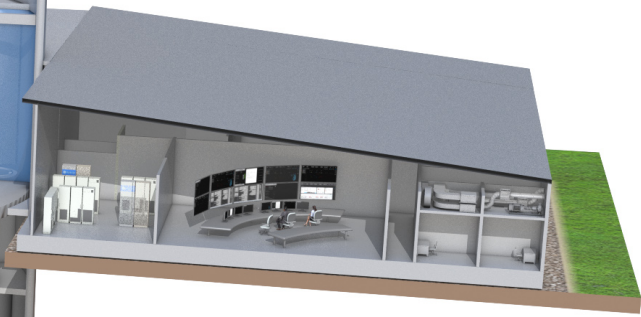
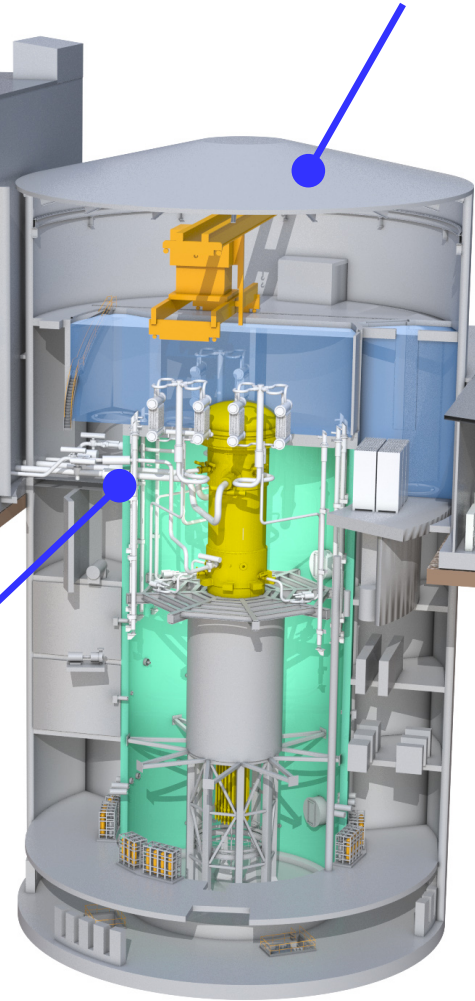
Cylindrical building with sloped roof

- Tornado and typhoon
- Airplane crash



Containment mostly underground

- Airplane crash
- Earthquake
- Other terrorisms



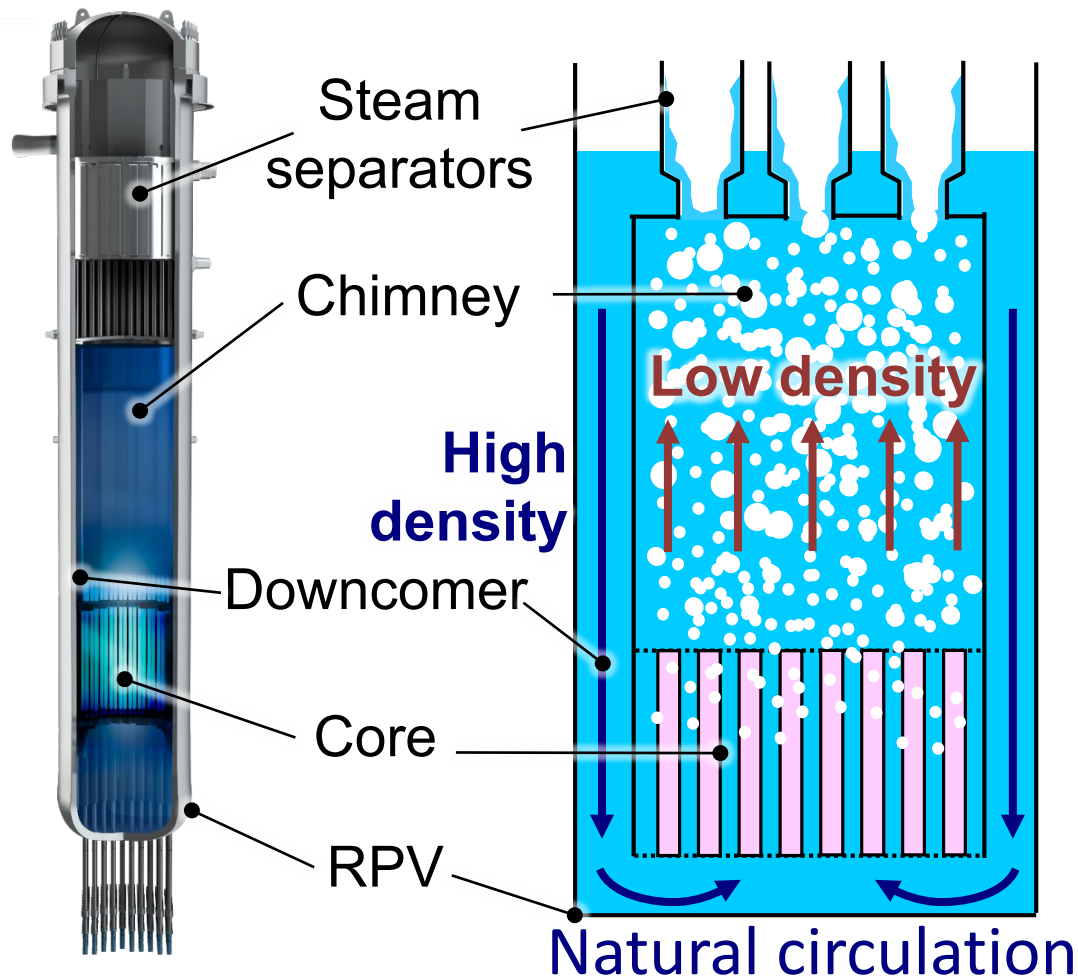
Ground level

Other countermeasures

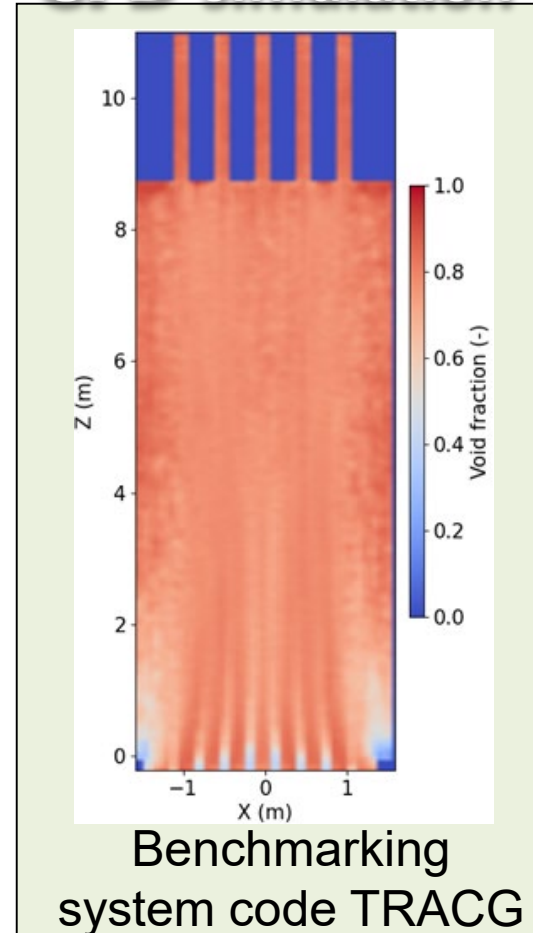
- ✓ FLEX (mobile equipment)
- ✓ Safety-divisional separation barrier
- ✓ Equipment for severe accidents

13 Example of Hitachi-GE activity: BWRX-300 chimney

To support global licensing, CFD and test to validate chimney flow characteristics (water and steam fluxes \Rightarrow Void fraction \Rightarrow Density)

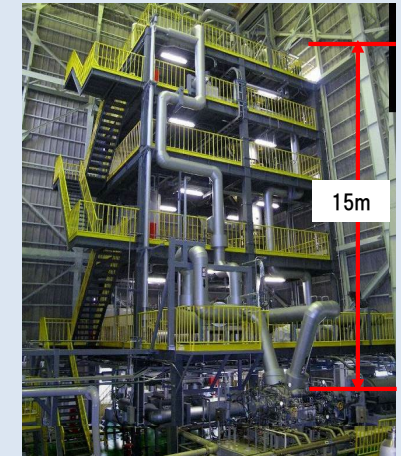
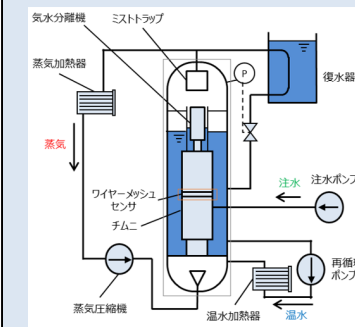


CFD simulation

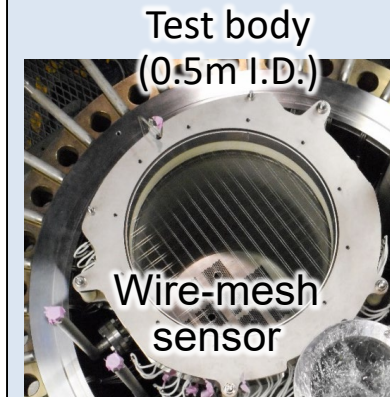


Test at nominal pressure

Steam + water loops

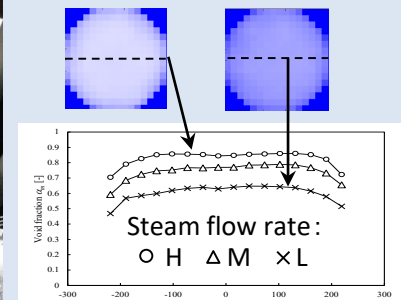


HUSTLE facility



Test body (0.5m I.D.)

Wire-mesh sensor



Steam flow rate: ○ H △ M × L

Obtained validation data

14 Deployments of BWRX-300

In Canada, OPG(Ontario Power Generation) progressing to deploy BWRX-300
Important licensing documents approved in USA

Europe

- Poland: ORLEN Synthos Green Energy(SGE) partnered to deploy multiple BWRX-300s
- Polish regulator: General Opinion and Decision in Principle for 6 sites with multiple BWRX-300s each
- Estonia: Fermi Energia choses BWRX-300
- UK: GE Hitachi applied for GDA



UK ● Estonia ● Poland

Hitachi-GE

- Developing BWRX-300 from the beginning
- Try to establish Supply Chain for domestic and supporting global projects

DNNP: Darlington New Nuclear Project
GDA: Generic Design Assessment
GEH: GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy
GNF-A: Global Nuclear Fuel - Americas
OPG Ontario Power Generation
TVA: Tennessee Valley Authority
VDR: Vendor Design Review

Canada

- **OPG DNNP – first unit deployment status**
 - License to Construct application submitted
 - Site preparation started
 - Initial contract for EPC signed
- **Licensing activities on-going**
 - VDR completed
 - License to Construct under review
- **Next BWRX-300s** (3 in Darlington, SaskPower)

USA

Utilities actions

- Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) progressing with deploying the BWRX-300 at its Clinch River site

Licensing activities on-going

- 5 Licensing Topical Reports (LTRs) issued and approved



TVA Clinch River ● OPG Darlington ● GEH,GNF-A

- Nuclear power is an important source of low-carbon electricity.
- Hitachi-GE is developing four advanced reactors to contribute carbon neutrality with stable and self-sufficient energy source.
- In this presentation, I introduced innovative large LWR HI-ABWR and highly economic small LWR BWRX-300. Both reactors have innovative safety features and countermeasures for natural disasters.
- Hitachi-GE will propose innovative technologies by open innovation with global collaboration schemes. It contains the cooperation with the governments, academia and industries.



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