

ESS Target Design progress

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ESS-BILBAO Consortium

Role and functions

- The Spanish Government has taken the decision to make ESS-BILBAO the only contractor from Spain to ESS project.
- Staff of 65 scientists & engineers and the possibility to hire extra staff.
- ESS-BILBAO has been nominated as Spanish representing entity for ESS operational phase.
- ESS-BILBAO has already received the money for the following years activities (> 20 M€) and additional grants will be provided in due time.
- ESS-BILBAO is a private entity, so we have a large flexibility to employ and subcontract.
- On November 2014, ESS-Bilbao was chosen as ESS partner for Target Wheel, shaft and drive unit.
- On October 2015, and International Panel Chair by Matt Fletcher evaluate the Target Base Line with positive feedback.
- On July 2016, Critical design review for the Spallation Material and the Cassettes. Delayed to September 28th due to licensing analysis required by ESS.

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Target Wheel base line

Target Vessel

On the basis of the base line helium flow path, an alternative configuration for the vessel is proposed.

Selection process



Spallation Material

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Spallation material: Quality evaluation

Evaluation of different suppliers

Taking into account the large differences on W grades, ESS-Bilbao is developing its own QA process to accept "W Suppliers" in the official "Call for tender process". Samples from 6 suppliers are under analysis at CEIT. This task will be completed in the next month and the data included in the CDR for Spallation material .

QA analysis on going at CEIT

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Grey spots (oxide) on surface	Thin continuous (oxide) layer on surface	Damaged edges Scratches on surface, slightly oxidized (finger prints).
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Bright smooth surface, free from oxides	Brightest, smoothest surface, probably polished. Free from oxides	Rough surface, free from oxides. Bricks slightly shorter??

Spallation material: Quality evaluation

QA analysis on going at CEIT



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Chemical

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Impurities

above

threshold

>30 ppm O

(44 ppm)

Spallation material: Quality evaluation

QA analysis on going at CEIT



Supplierts 2, 5 and 6. Gran structure in the middle plane.

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Internal Structures

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Internal Structures: Cassette Manufacturing Test v2.0

Cassette Manufacturing Test

The Cassettes are critical elements for the configuration of the He channels in between W bricks. Despite of the fact that cassettes are not part of the nuclear credited elements of the target, the geometry and the tolerances produces a complex manufacturing problem.

Contract award to Leading Enterprises (v2.0)



Internal Structures: Cassette Manufacturing Test

Cassette Manufacturing Test: Lessons learned

- The introduction of self aligning elements and chamfers simplifies assembling process.
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Internal Structures: Vibration experiment

Vibration experiment

The assembling process has been tested on a vibration experiment to evaluate the powder production. The vibration conditions reproduced 10^7 cycles with 1-10 g acceleration in two directions with a 11 bricks prototype. The production of powder was 36.4-355 μg which means $\sim 250-2500 \ mg \cdot year^{-1}$ in the full target wheel. The RMS analysis shows that only steel powder is produced.

Vibration experiment





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Proton beam window: Irradiation Damage

Neutron damage

On the proton beam window, the damage is mainly produced by protons. The maximum value, produced in the window is \sim 0.7 dpa and 130 appm of helium per year. After 5 years of operation the total damage is below 3.5 dpa with a gas accumulation below 700 appm.

Proton induced radiation damage [5000 h & 2.5 mA]



Target Vessel

Mechanical analysis based on RCC-MRx

The Target vessel is considered as a Class 2 component (RCC-MRx). Based on that the mechanical analysis of the vessel has been completed including fatigue and welding analysis.

CFD analysis conditions



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Target Vessel: Welding analysis

Welding analysis

The welding regions has been agreed with manufactures and reviewed based on the RCC-Mrx criteria. Full penetration, volumetric inspections and one face surface inspections are need for the ribs. The stress values in the beam entrance window are much lower and only surface inspection will be needed.



Alternative 1 ($P_L = 179$ MPa in welding area, Based on interpretation)







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Target Vessel: Welding definition for Target Wheel

Inspections before welding



RES = Liquid penetrant examination

Remarks

The RCC-MRx system only covers RES (liquid penetrant inspections) analysis for the surfaces before welding.

Target Vessel: Welding definition for Target Wheel

Inspections during welding



Remarks

The RCC-MRx system only covers RES analysis during welding. These means one inspection on the root and one inspection each three layers of welding (\sim 4-5 layers).

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Inspections after welding



Remarks

The RCC-MRx system requires RES inspection for the external surface of the welding. Even if it is not needed for the welding qualification, our manufacturer recommends to include 70% RAD inspection without increasing the N coefficient on the design process.

Target Vessel: Welding prototype

Alternative 1 prototype

To evaluate the welding procedures and inspection a prototype based on Alternative 1 has been completed including all the inspection procedures considered on RCC-MRx system (RES and RAD) on the rib position and the window.

Manufacturing and inspections



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Target Vessel: Welding prototype

Full Scale Target Vessel prototype

A full scale prototype of the Target Vessel is on going. Call for Tender documentation has been submitted to ESS-Bilbao council for approval ($\sim 15^{th}$ July). We plan to complete the prototype in by the end of the year.

Target Vessel prototype



Shaft and shielding

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Shielding requirements

The internal shielding of the shaft is a critical requirement to reduce the dose rate values on top of the target monolith. Along the last months the average shielding requirement has been estimated (\sim 60 % of steel density) but the shape of the shielding was not taken in to account so the neutron streaming was not properly evaluated.

Pressure drop & manufacturing

The configuration of the helium channels inside the shielding drives the pressure drop of the shaft. Several options are under evaluation in order to minimize the pressure drop and manufacturing requirements.

CFD-MCNPX optimization loop

Based on previous requirements, a neutronic-fluid dynamic optimization loop is on going to evaluate several shielding solutions.

Shaft CFD-MCNPX analysis



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- Comparison between two shaft shielding options has been completed considering CFD and shielding analysis.
- After discussion with manufacturer Helical shileding has been choosen (three helical channels for inner and outer shielding)

CFD and FEM complete model from Rotating Seal to wheel distributor



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On going manufacturing prototype



Drive Unit

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Drive Unit



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Rotating Seal

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Rotating seal

Commercial product: Ferrofluid seal

The proposed seal is a commercial component which includes a double ferro-fluid seal. The manufacturer has measured helium leaks below $10^9 ccs^{-1}$

Positioning system



Conclusions

On going works

- The analysis of the Spalation Material is almost completed. The CDR is schedule by September.
- Internal structures are ready for the CDR, including full scale prototype.
- The manufacturing process for the target vessel is well advanced including the inspection process for the critical areas.
- Full scale prototype of the Target Vessel is on going.
- Conceptual designs has been completed for the drive unit and the rotating seal.

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