



## **Overview of NETL Heat Transfer Studies in a High Temperature Test Rig**

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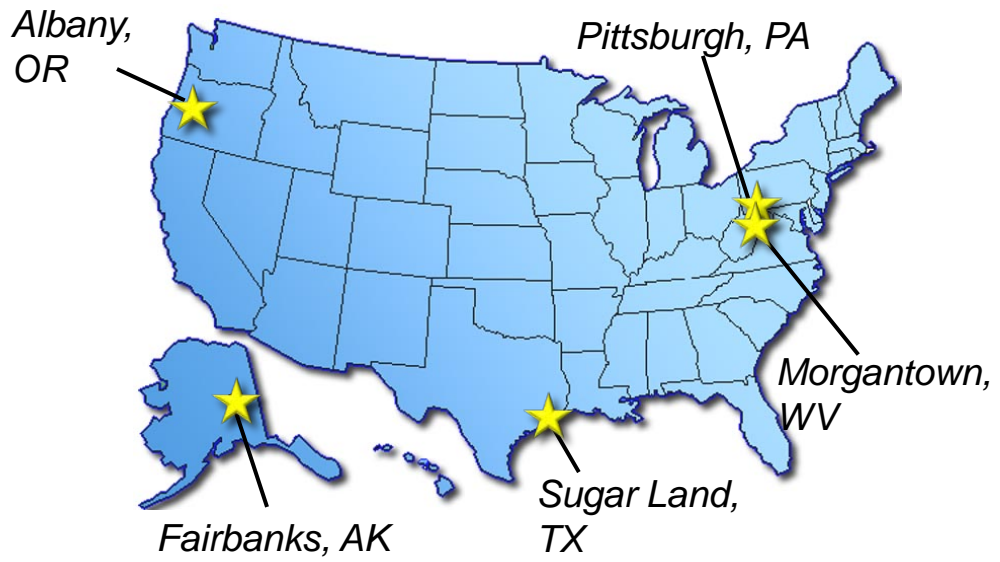
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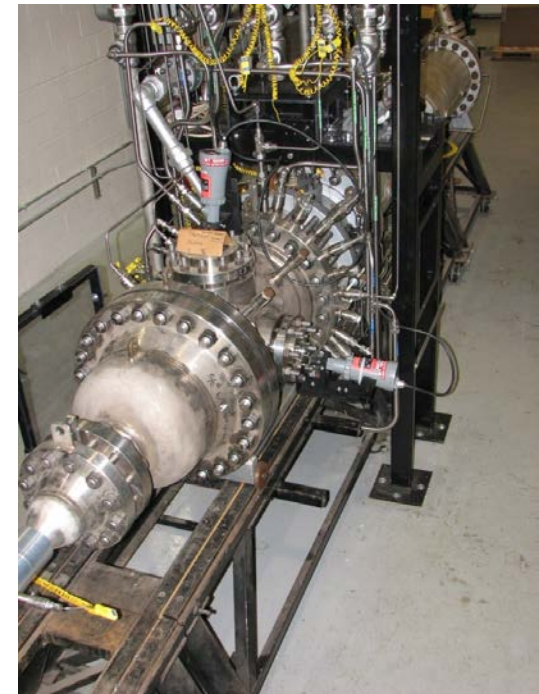
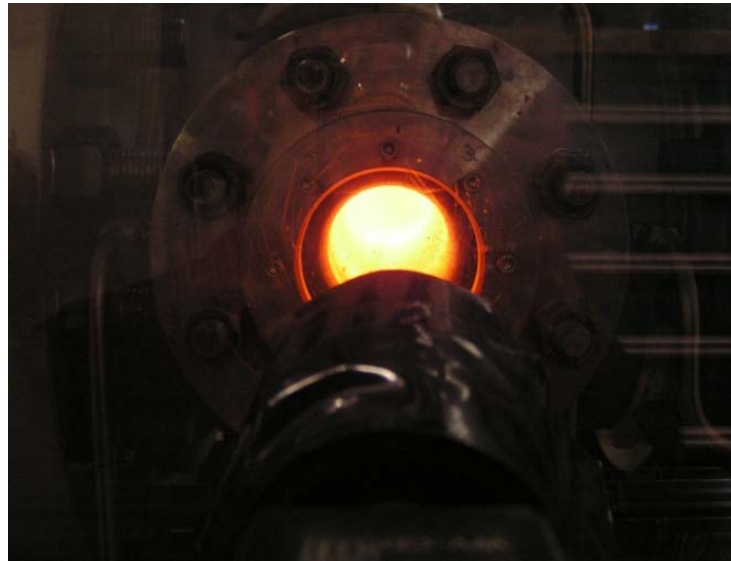
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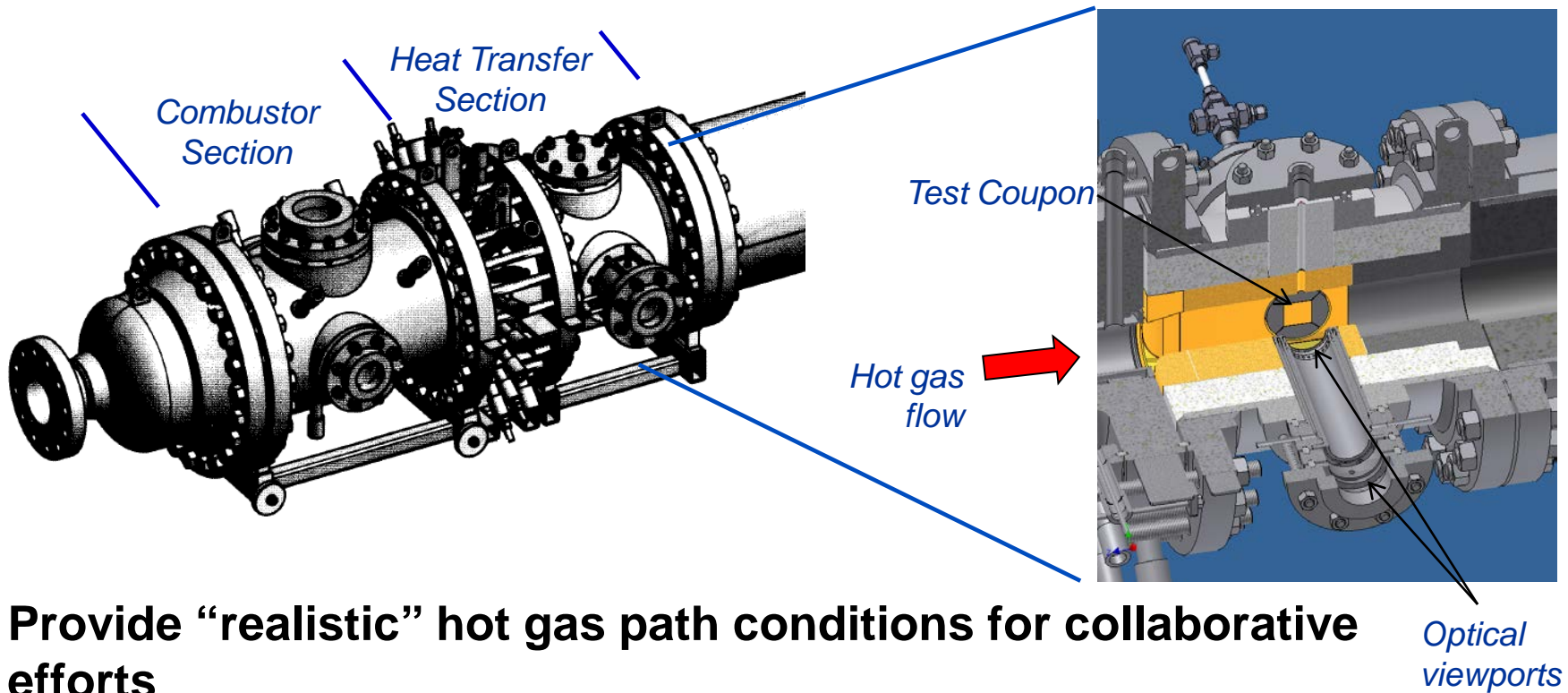
# Outline

- **Overview high temperature/high pressure test facility**
  - Hardware and facility capabilities
- **Overview results since last UTSR Workshop**
  - Rig validation efforts
  - 3D CFD and conjugate heat transfer results



# Project Background

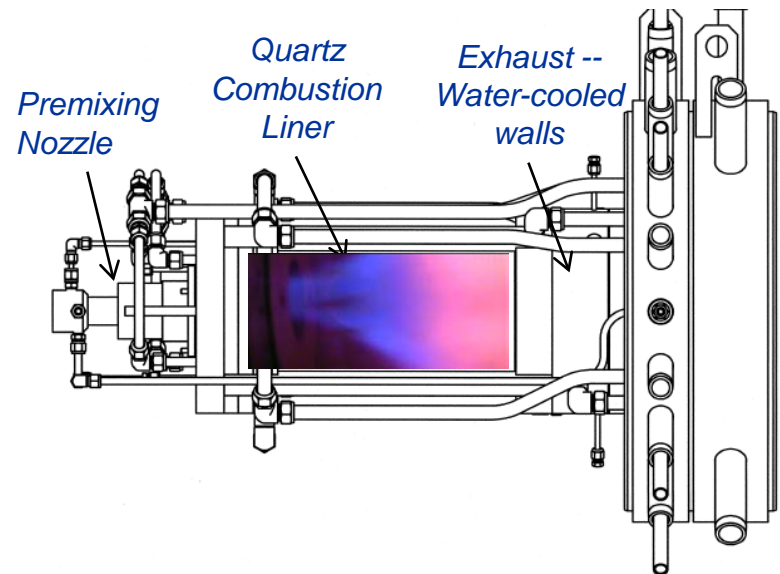
- **Modify an existing high pressure combustion rig**



- **Provide “realistic” hot gas path conditions for collaborative efforts**
- **“Proof-of-concept” testing for cooling and sensors**

# Facility and Rig Capabilities

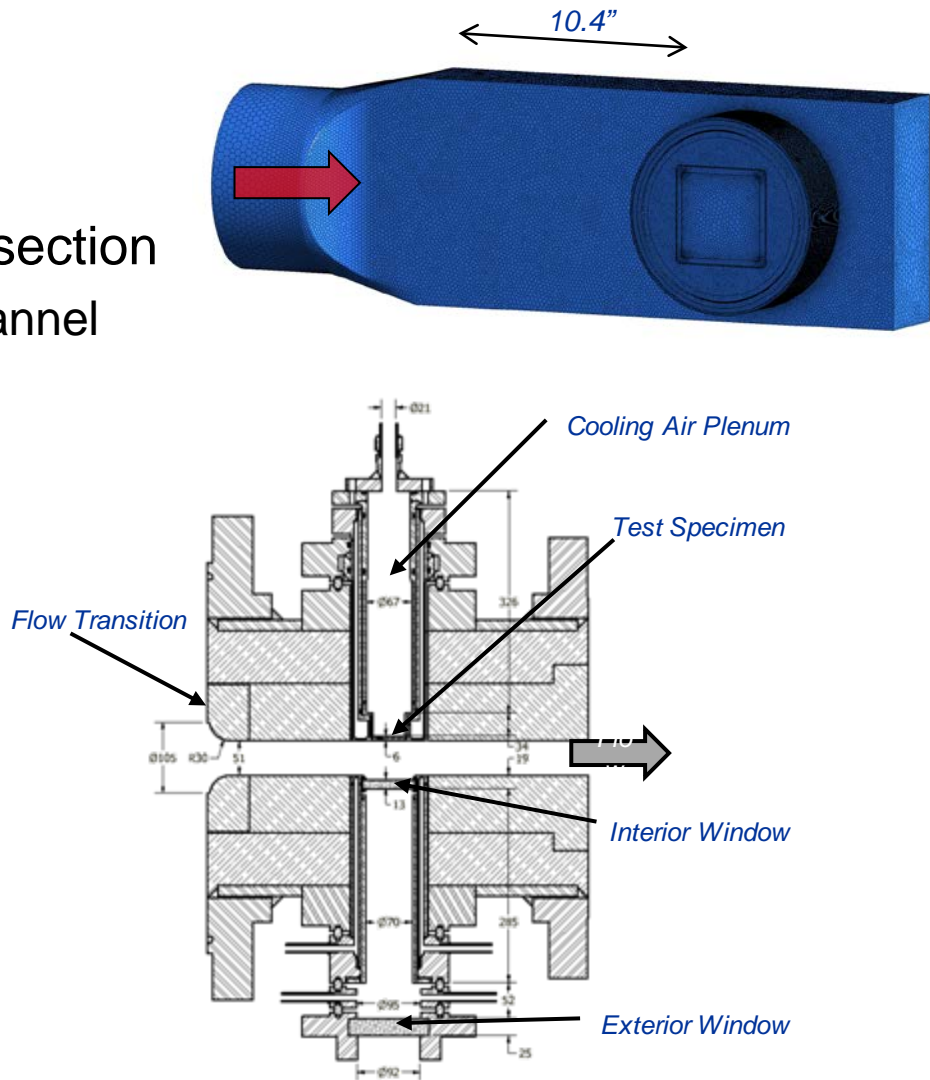
- **Facility capabilities**
  - 2 lb/s air flow @ 700 psi
  - 800-900 F air preheat (independent control)
- **Rig capabilities**
  - 2 lb/s air flow @ 10 atm
  - Max inlet air temperature (800F)
  - Natural gas or hydrogen fuels
- **Combustor design**
  - Swirl-stabilized
  - Lean premixed gaseous fuel
  - Diffusion pilot (12 jets)
  - Quartz combustor liner
    - No dilution cooling jets
    - No upstream film cooling



# Experimental Setup – Detailed Description

- **Heat transfer section**

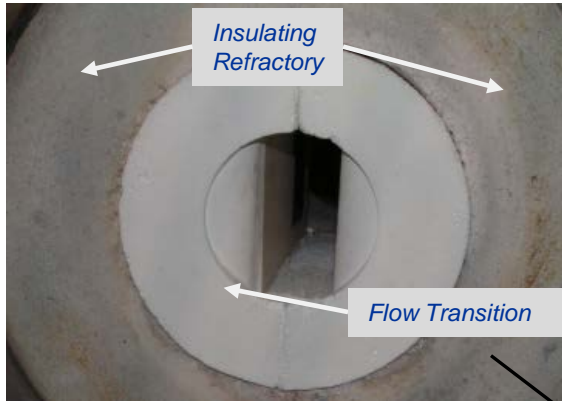
- Refractory lined walls
- Transition to rectangular cross-section
  - Nominal 4" ID to 5" x 2" flow channel
- Test samples – flat plates
  - Haynes 230 coupons
    - 2" x 2" x 0.25" thick
  - Flush with interior walls
- External viewport
  - Commercial quartz flange
- Internal viewport
  - 3" OD x 1/2" thick quartz
  - Flush with inner wall



# Experimental Setup -- Overview

(Film Cooling Test Section; dimensions in mm)

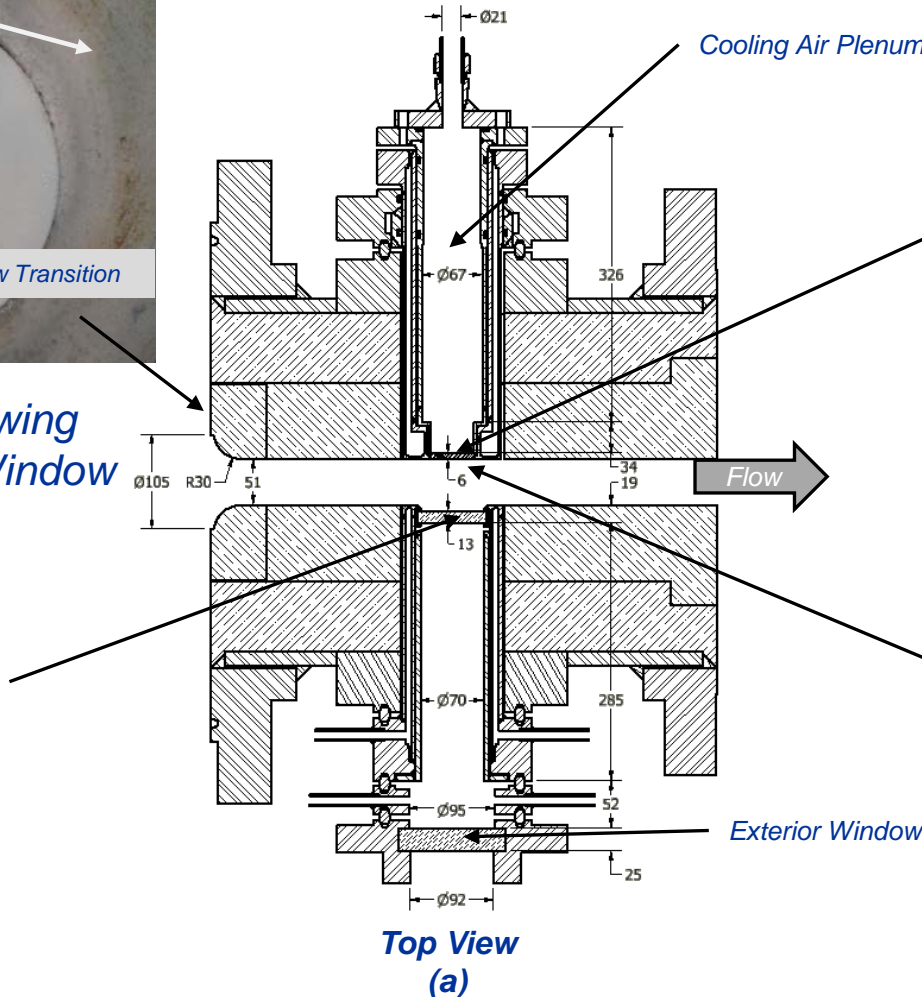
*Inlet Flow Transition*



*Flat Plate Test Specimen (50 x 50 x 6 mm)*



*Flow Channel Showing Interior Viewport Window*



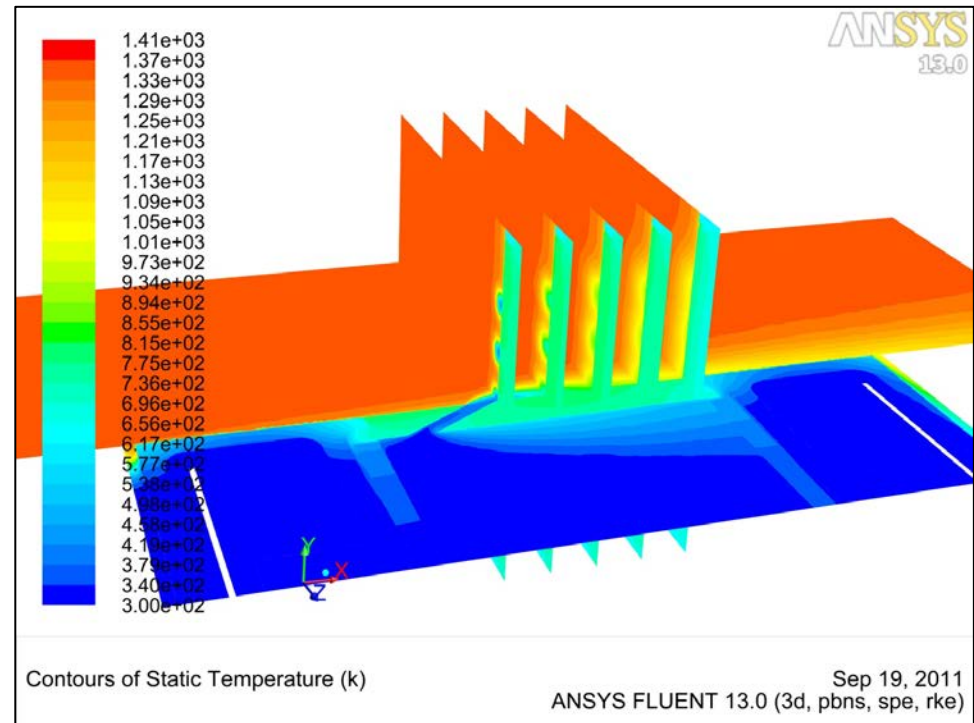
*Test Specimen and Holder From Viewport Perspective*



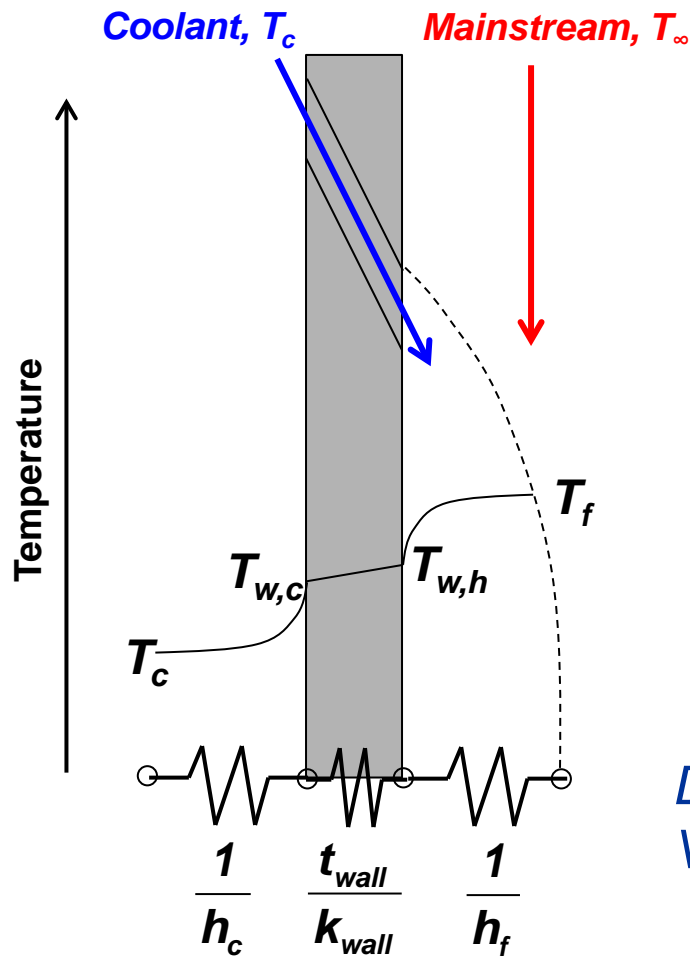


# What Variables Can We Control?

- **Operating pressure (1-10 atm)**
- **Free-stream temperature (1000 - 1300C)**
- **Free-stream velocity (30-100 m/s)**
  - Limited by flashback and blowoff in combustor
- **Cooling air flowrate**
  - Blowing ratio
- **Film cooling design**
  - Without TBC
  - With TBC



# What Variables Are We Measuring?



## Heat Flux to Wall (neglecting radiation)

*Without Coolant*

$$q_0'' = h_0(T_\infty - T_w)$$

*With Coolant*

$$q_f'' = h_f(T_f - T_w)$$

## Net Heat Flux Reduction

Dependent Variable

$$\Delta q_r'' = \frac{q_0'' - q_f''}{q_0''}$$

$$\Delta q_r'' = 1 - \frac{h_f}{h_0} \left( 1 - \frac{\eta}{\phi} \right)$$

Dependent Variable

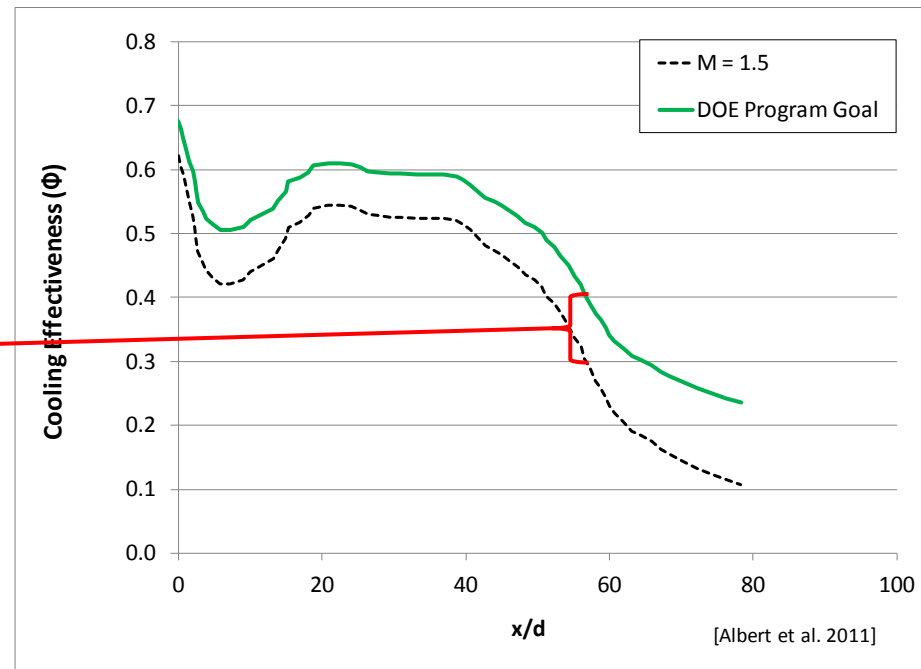
$$\phi = \frac{T_\infty - T_w}{T_\infty - T_c}$$

$$\eta = \frac{T_\infty - T_f}{T_\infty - T_c}$$

# What Is The Basis For Our Uncertainty Goals?

- **Overall Cooling Effectiveness**
  - Increase gas temperature
  - Maintain same metal temp
  - Maintain same coolant temp
- **Area-averaged improvement to achieve program goal is approximately 0.10**
- **Experimental uncertainty must be significantly smaller than this value**
  - Similar argument for heat flux reduction

$$\phi = \frac{T_{\infty} - T_w}{T_{\infty} - T_c}$$



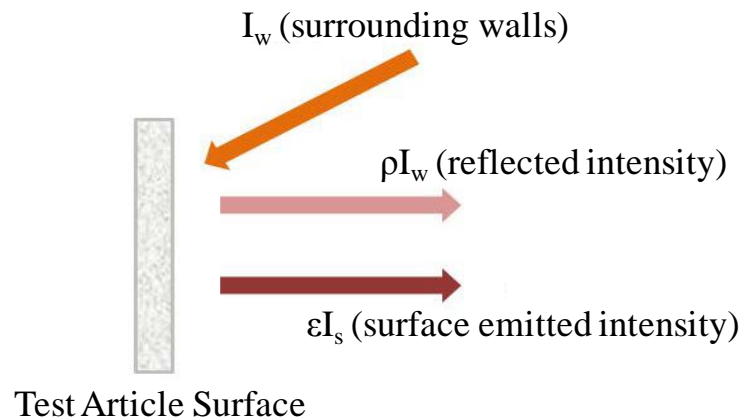
# What Are Reasonable Uncertainty Goals For NETL's High Temperature Test Rig?

Dependent Variable	Uncertainty Goals: Less than . . .	
	Local	2D Image
$\phi$ Overall Effectiveness	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.06$
$\Delta q_r$ Net Heat Flux Reduction	$\pm 0.06$	$\pm 0.12$

# IR Thermography With Significant Ambient Interference

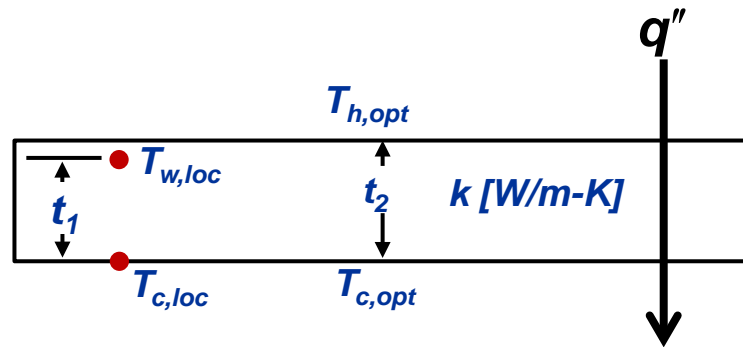
## (i.e., Hot Wall Effects)

- **Optical approach cannot differentiate between reflected and emitted photons**
  - Design of a multi-color probe (Apogee Scientific)
  - Develop single wavelength approach using in-house expertise



$$I_{\text{cam}} = \epsilon I_s + \rho I_w$$

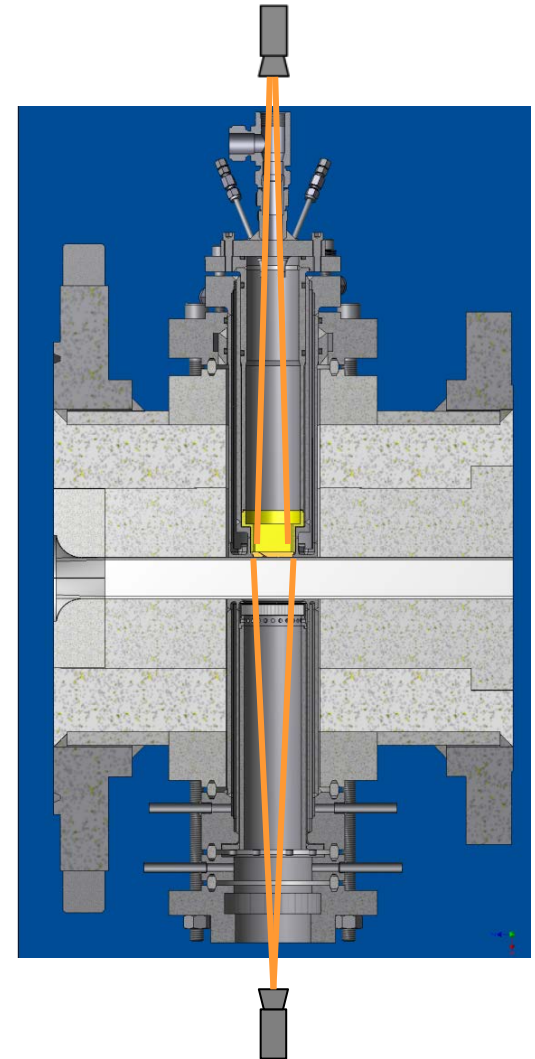
# Optical Measurements Validated Against Local Thermocouple Measurements



$$q''_{loc} = \frac{k}{t_1} (T_{w,loc} - T_{c,loc})$$

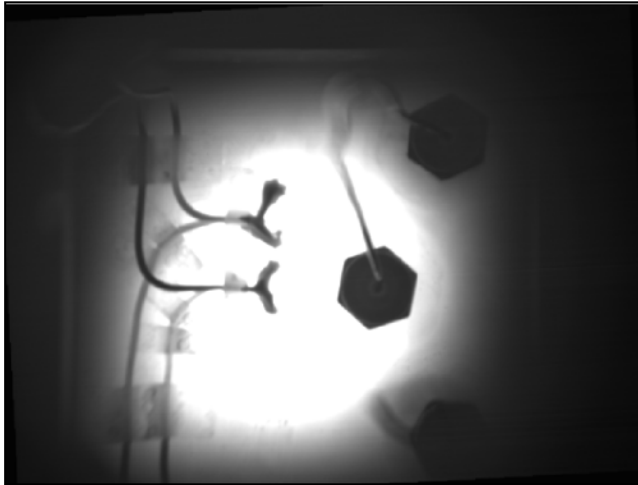
$$q''_{opt} = \frac{k}{t_2} (T_{w,opt} - T_{c,opt})$$

**Compare  $q''_{loc}$  to  $q''_{opt}$  to validate measurements**

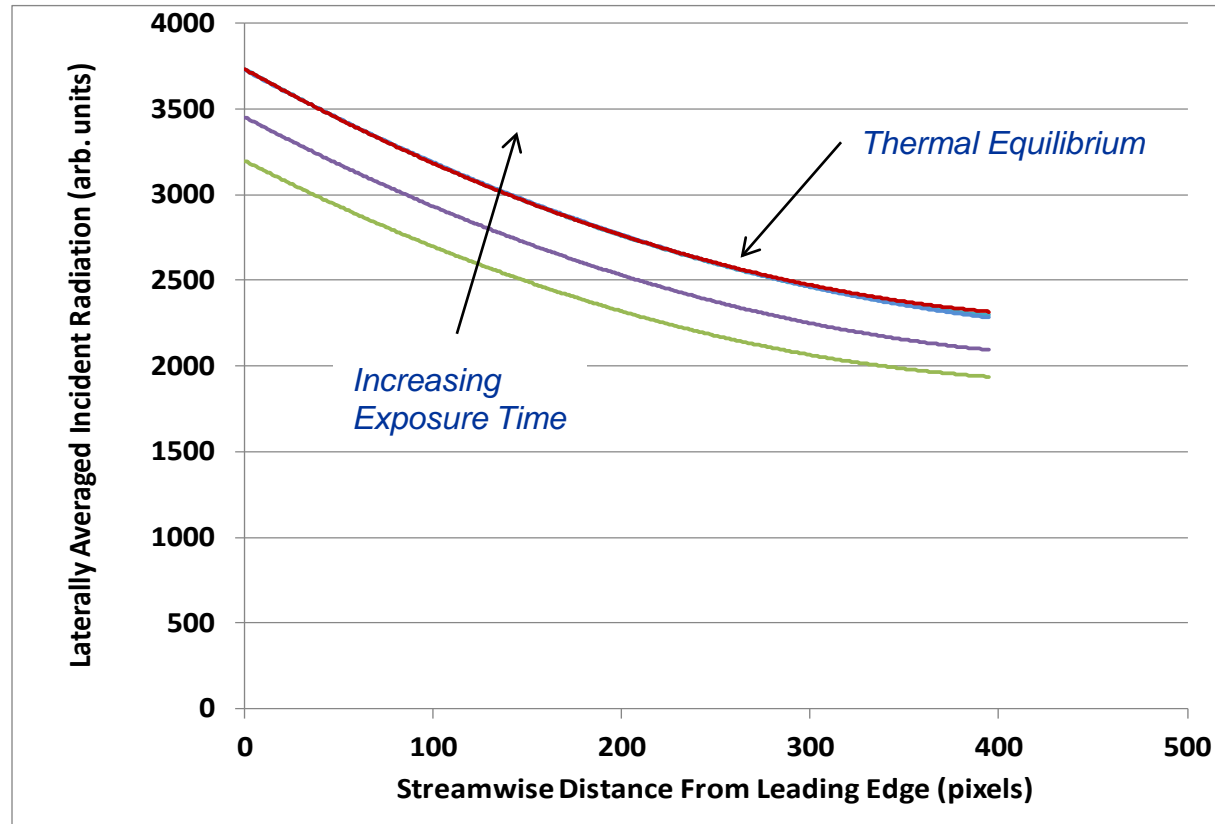
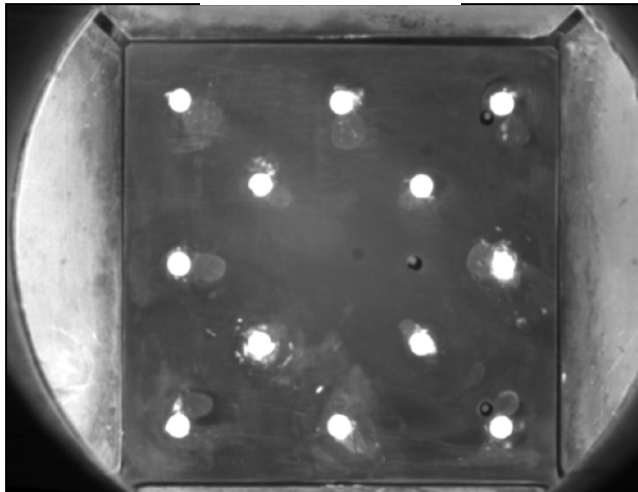


# Test to Assess Variations With Location and Time

*Cold Side Image*



*Hot Side Image*

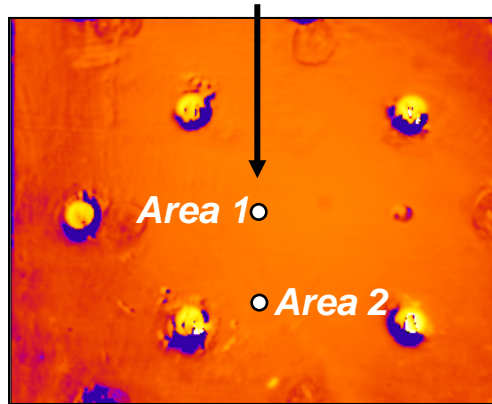


# Results From Reference Test Specimen (no film cooling)

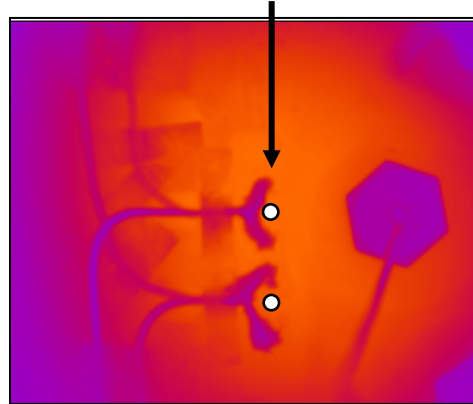
## Temperature Contours

Embedded TC Locations

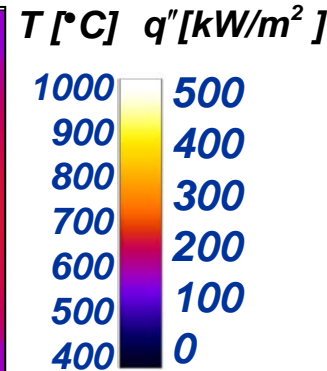
Cold Surface TC Locations



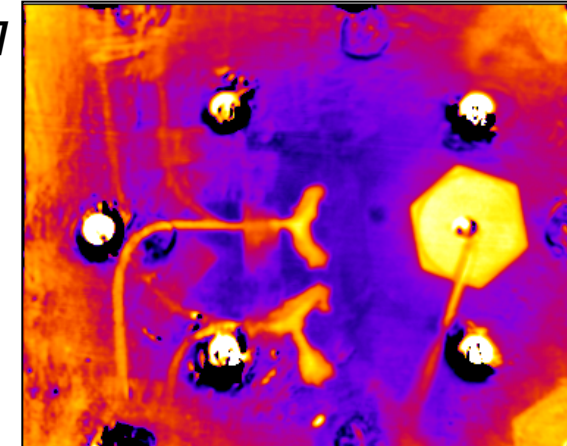
Hot Side



Cold Side



## Heat Flux Contour



$P_{\infty} = 3 \text{ bar}$

	Area 1				Area 2			
	Thermocouple	Optical	Residual	Residual %	Thermocouple	Optical	Residual	Residual %
Hot Side Temp [ C]	747.80	751.60	3.80	0.51	730.63	742.40	11.77	1.61
Cold Side Temp [ C]	720.72	722.83	2.11	0.29	705.65	708.60	2.94	0.42
Overall Effectiveness	0.351	0.349	0.00	0.81	0.367	0.360	0.01	1.92
Heat Flux [kW/m²]	72.94	77.49	4.55	6.24	67.28	91.05	23.78	35.34

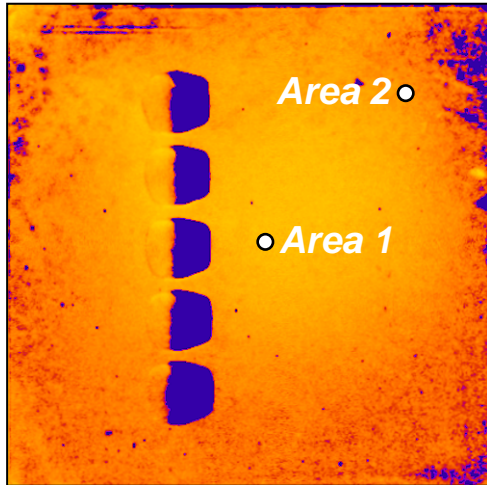


# Experiments Were Conducted Using A Coupon With Fan Shaped Film Cooling Holes

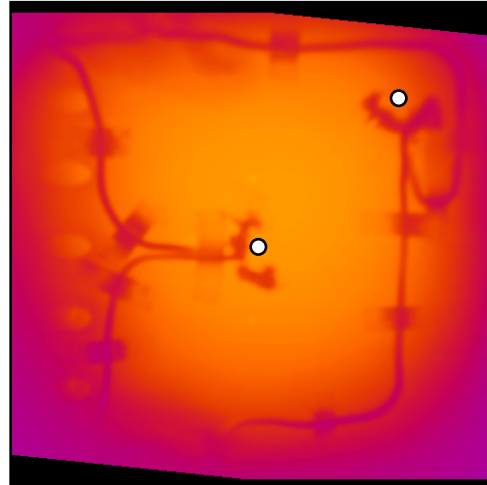
$$M = 1.0, P_{\infty} = 5.1 \text{ Bar}, T_{\infty} = 1145^{\circ}\text{C}$$

## Temperature Contours

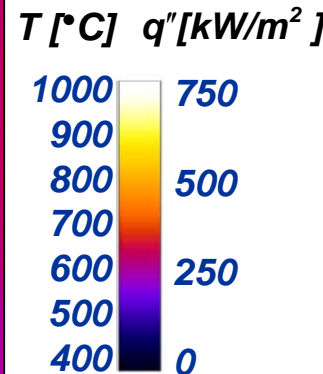
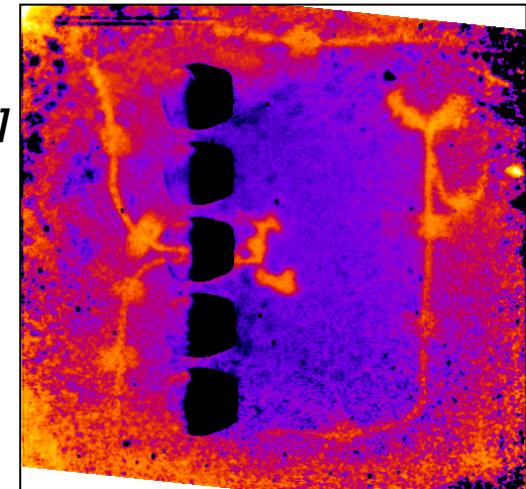
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Cold Surface TC Locations

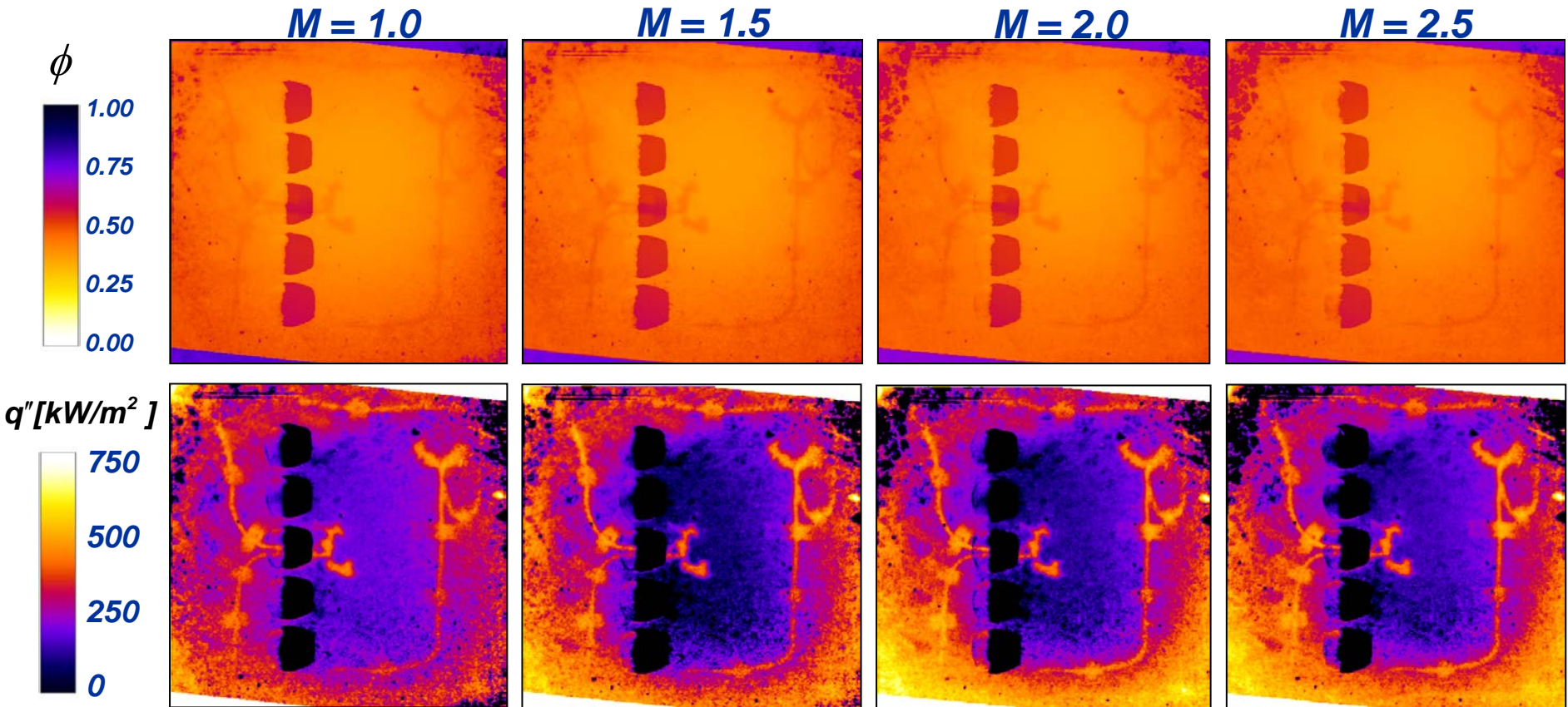


## Heat Flux Contour



	Area 1				Area 2			
	Thermocouple	Optical	Residual	Residual %	Thermocouple	Optical	Residual	Residual %
Hot Side Temp [ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]	816.63	825.80	9.17	1.12	785.99	776.20	9.79	1.25
Cold Side Temp [ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]	775.86	777.90	2.04	0.26	737.44	711.70	25.74	3.49
Overall Effectiveness	0.368	0.362	0.01	1.62	0.405	0.424	0.02	4.66
Heat Flux [ $\text{kW}/\text{m}^2$ ]	127.21	149.47	22.27	17.50	151.51	201.27	49.76	32.84

# Overall Effectiveness And Heat Flux Contours Were Generated For Four Blowing Ratios



# Data From NETL Test Rig Can Achieve Desired Uncertainty Goals

Dependent Variable	Uncertainty Goals -- Less than . . .	
	Local	2D Image
$\phi$ Overall Effectiveness	$\pm 0.03$ $\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.06^1$
$\Delta q_r$ Net Heat Flux Reduction	$\pm 0.06$ $\pm 0.04$	$\pm 0.12^2$

<sup>1</sup> Contour maps compare to within  $\pm 0.02$  of the local effectiveness measurements (so far)

<sup>2</sup> May require larger temperature difference (higher temperature/pressure test conditions/higher cold side heat transfer coefficient). Both options are possible with current test rig.

# CFD Modeling

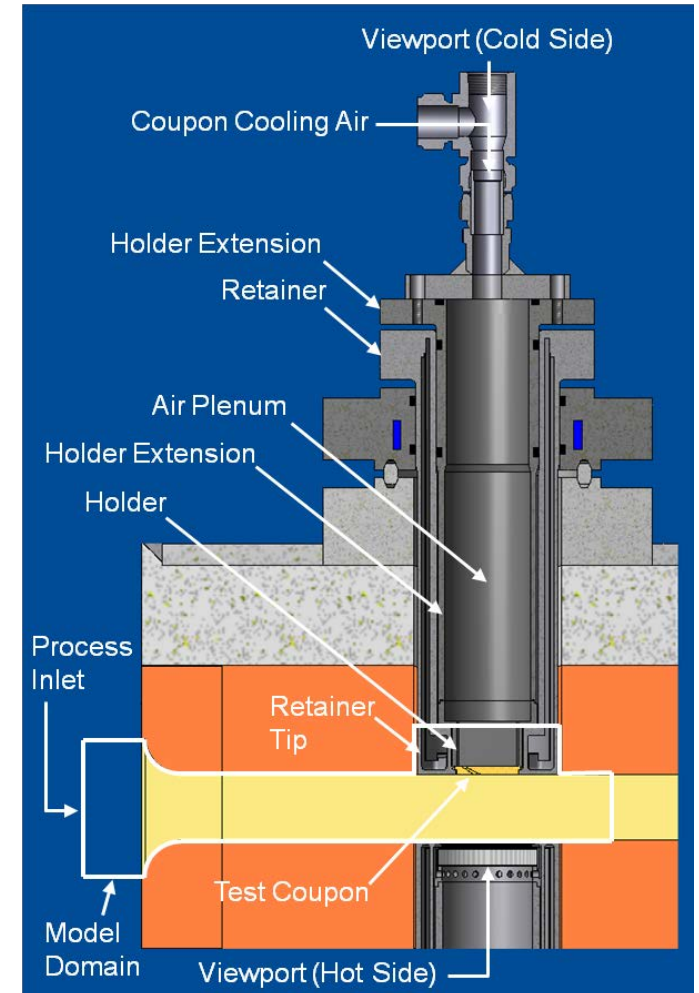
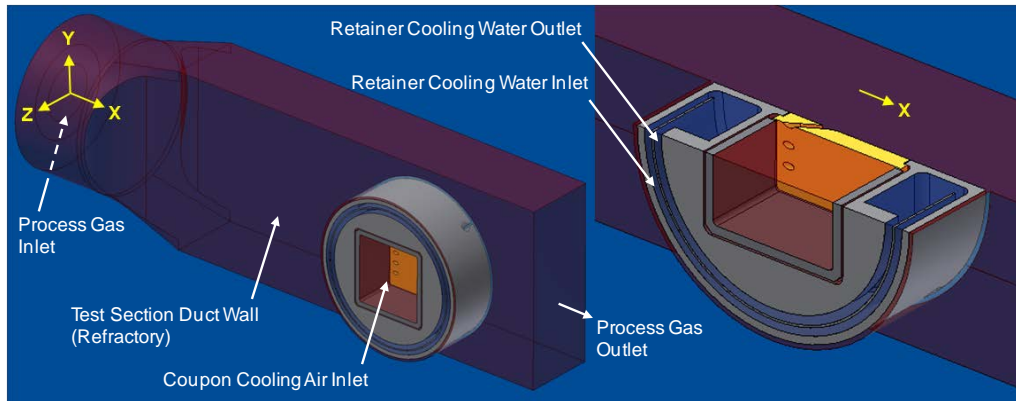
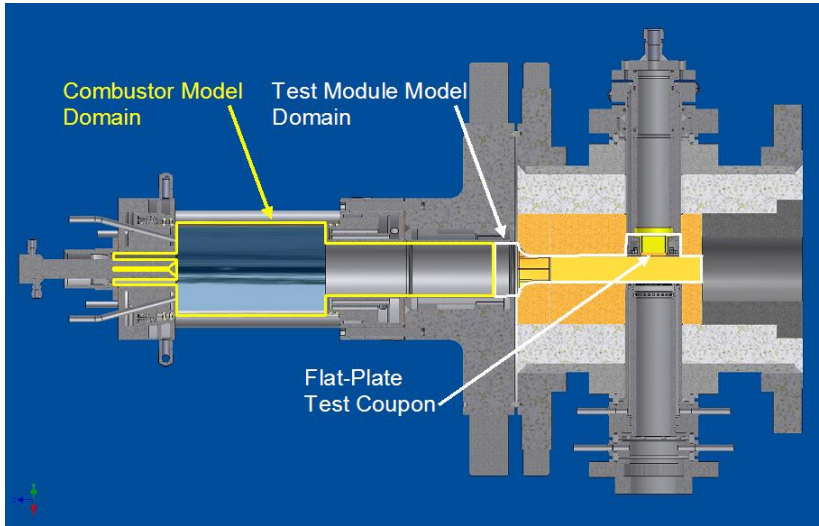
## Goals

- Assist refinement of the surface temperature measurement techniques being developed and validated experimentally under this task by performing conjugate heat transfer (CHT) modeling of the aerothermal test module
- Develop predictive capability to assist with evaluation of film cooling designs

## Overview

- Modeling of combustor
- Modeling of test module
  - Three cooling geometries
    - Round holes, round holes with trench, laidback fan-shaped holes
  - Coarse meshes with standard wall functions
- FY12
  - Modeling of test module
    - One cooling geometry (laidback fan-shaped hole)
    - Improved convective heat transfer predictions
      - Wall model, turbulence model, mesh refinement, discretization order
    - Radiative heat transfer study planned

# Combustor and Test Section Geometries and Model Domains



# CHT Modeling with Convective and Conductive Heat Transfer

- Sensitivity of convective HT to select model parameters
  - Turbulence model (Re k- $\epsilon$  and SST k- $\omega$ )
  - Discretization order (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>)
  - Mesh (three cases – fine, intermediate, coarse)
  - Coupon-retainer coupling (effect of finite thermal contact resistance)
- Simulation cases:

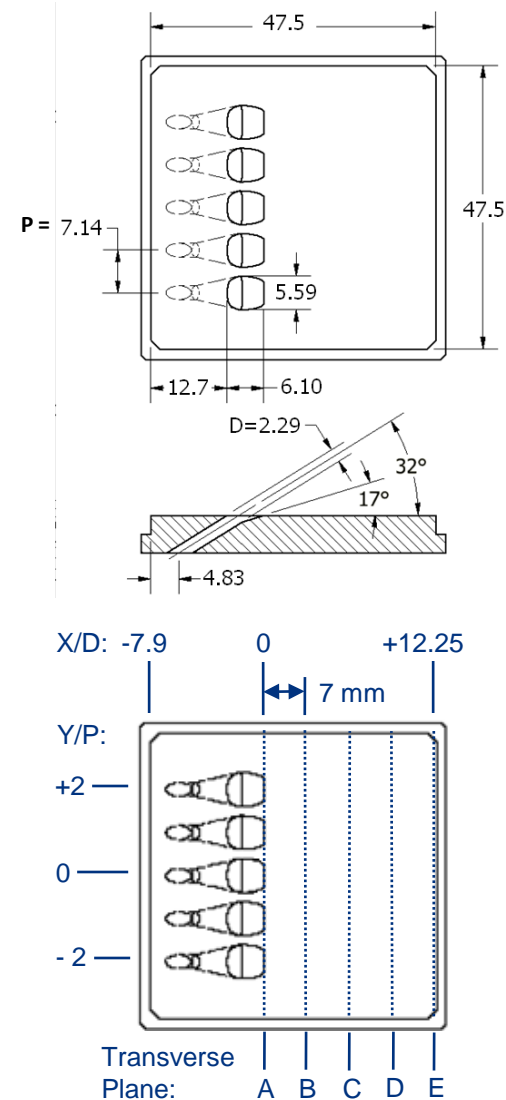
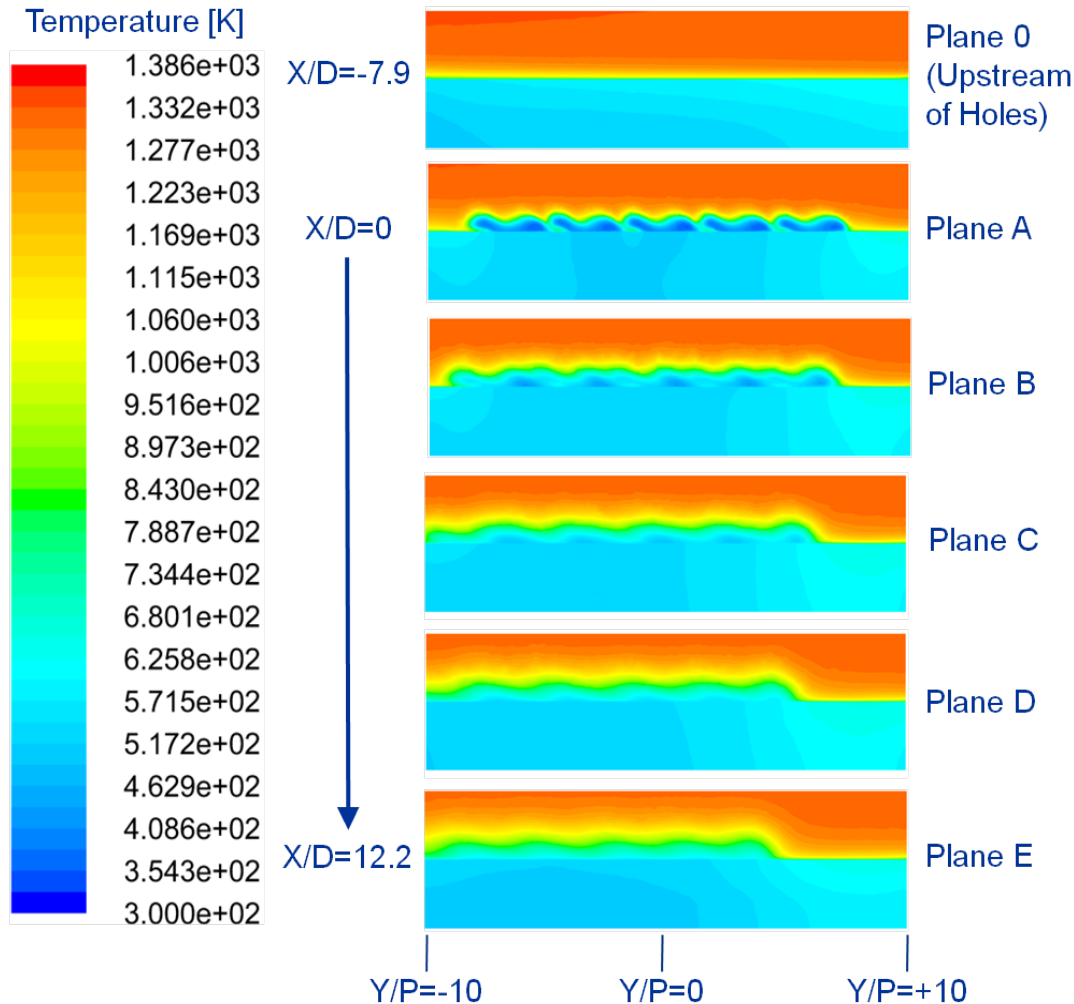
Model Case	Turbulence Model	Solution Order	Mesh Case	Coupon Cooling Flow	Coupon-Retainer Coupling	Radiation
1	Re k- $\epsilon$	1st	1	Y	Y	N
1A	Re k- $\epsilon$	2nd	1	Y	Y	N
1B	Re k- $\epsilon$	2nd	3	Y	Y	N
1C	Re k- $\epsilon$	2nd	1	Y	N	N
1D	Re k- $\epsilon$	2nd	3	Y	N	N
1E	Re k- $\epsilon$	2nd	2	Y	Y	N
2	SST k- $\omega$	1st	1	Y	Y	N
2A	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	1	Y	Y	N
2B	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	3	Y	Y	N
2C	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	1	Y	N	N
2D	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	3	Y	N	N
2E	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	2	Y	Y	N
2F	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	1	N	Y	N
2G	SST k- $\omega$	2nd	1	N	N	N

Mesh Case 1: 4.3x10<sup>6</sup> Cells, 1<sup>st</sup> Layer Thickness = 0.025 mm, Total Layers = 12

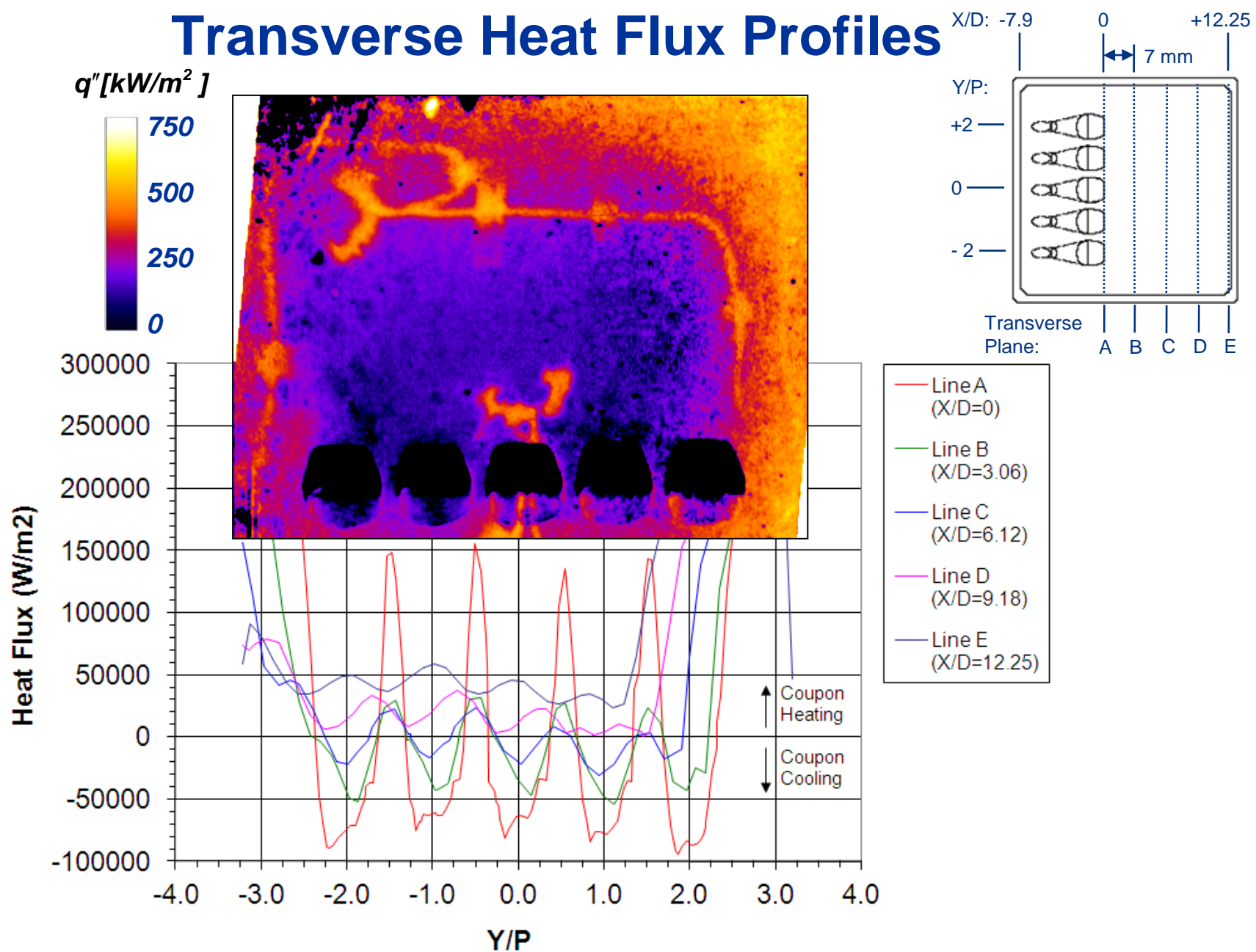
Mesh Case 2: 6.9 x10<sup>6</sup> Cells, 1<sup>st</sup> Layer Thickness = 0.020 mm, Total Layers = 13

Mesh Case 3: 8.5x10<sup>6</sup> Cells, 1<sup>st</sup> Layer Thickness = 0.014 mm, Total Layers = 15

# Temperature Contours on Transverse Planes (Case 2A)



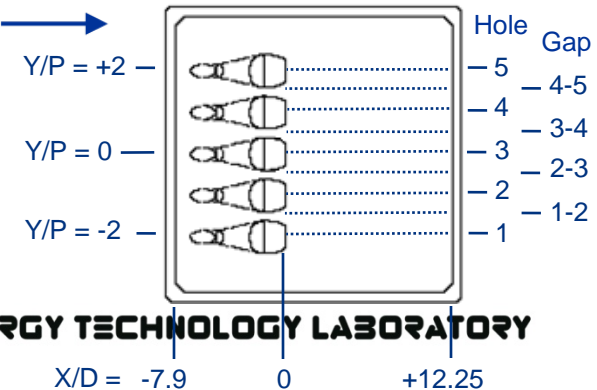
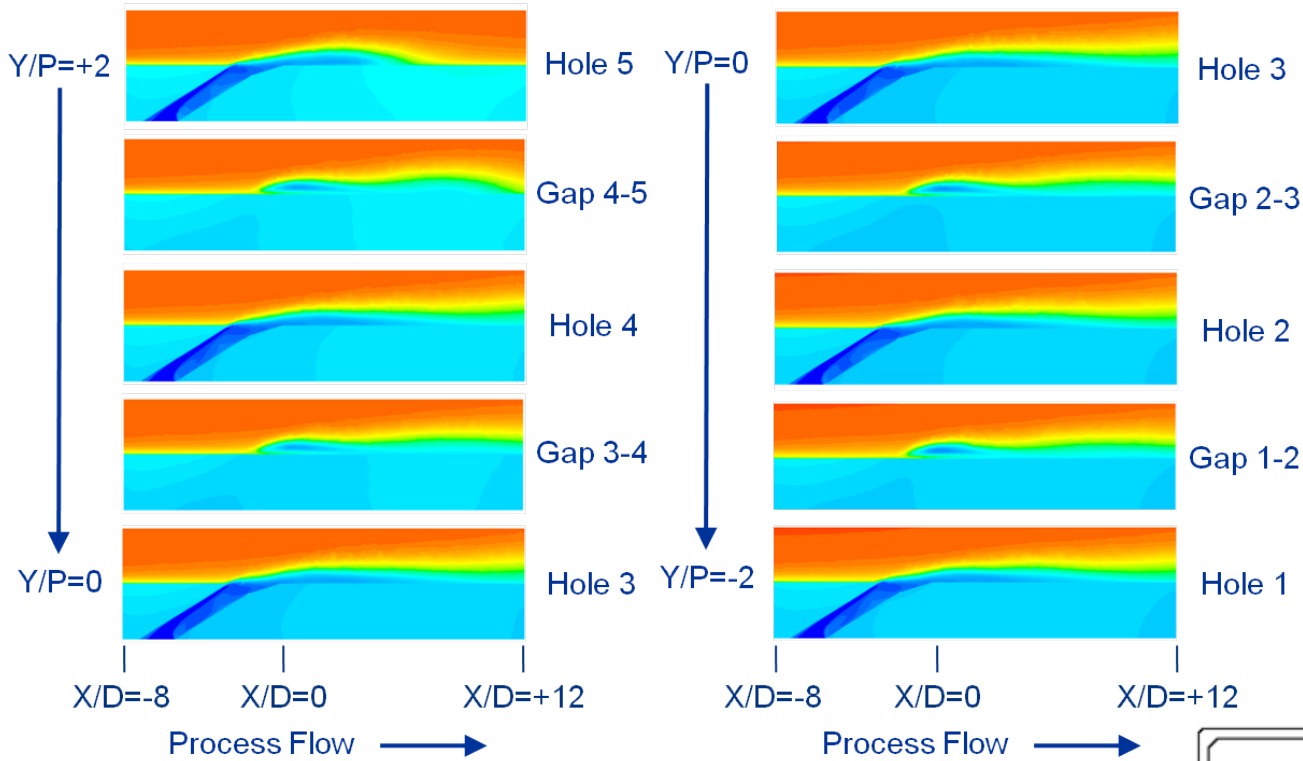
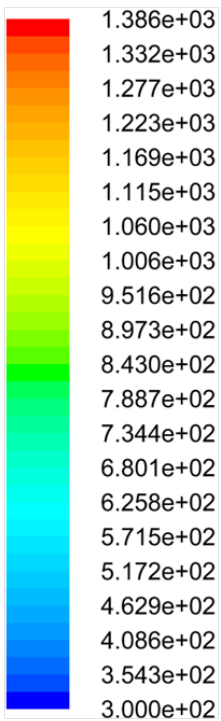
# Transverse Heat Flux Profiles



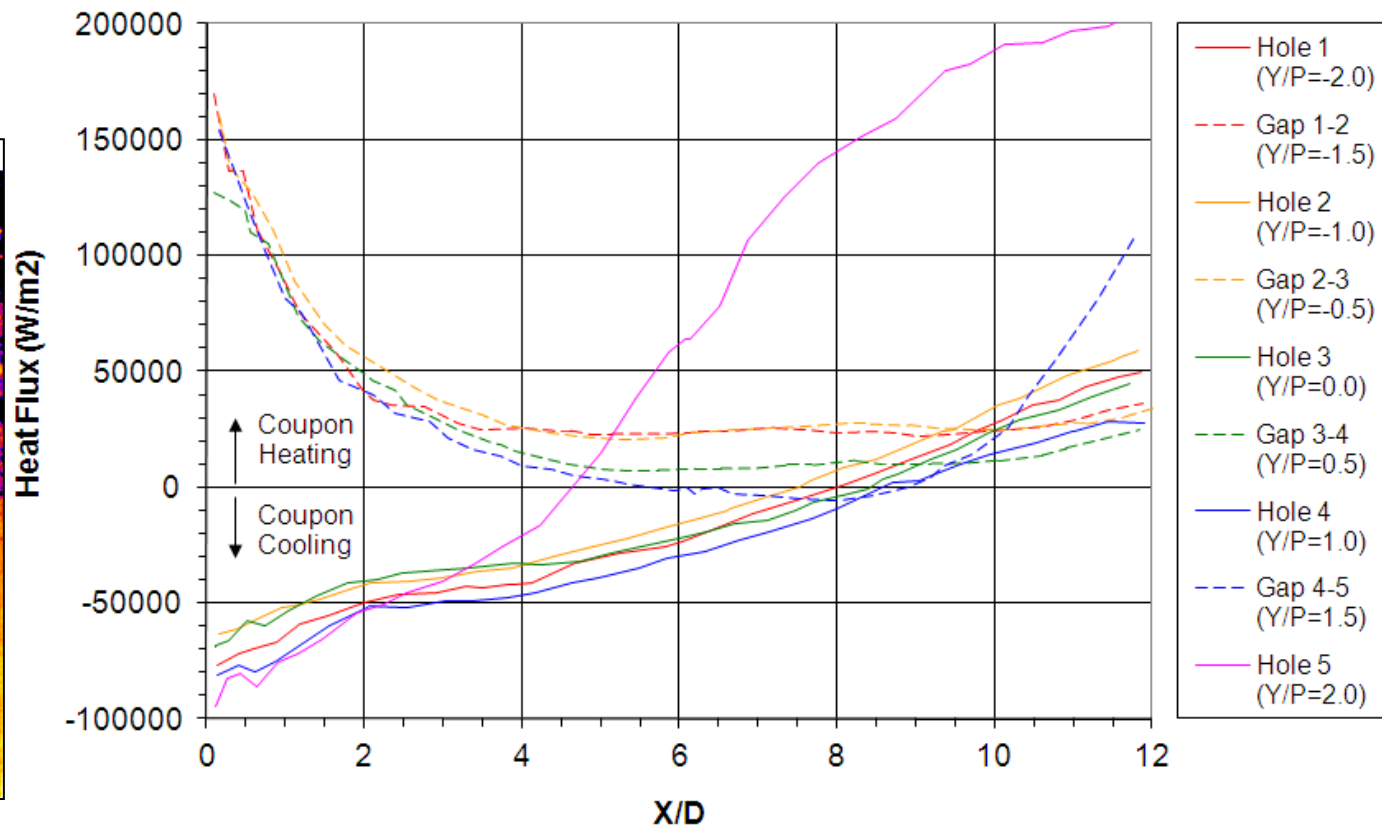
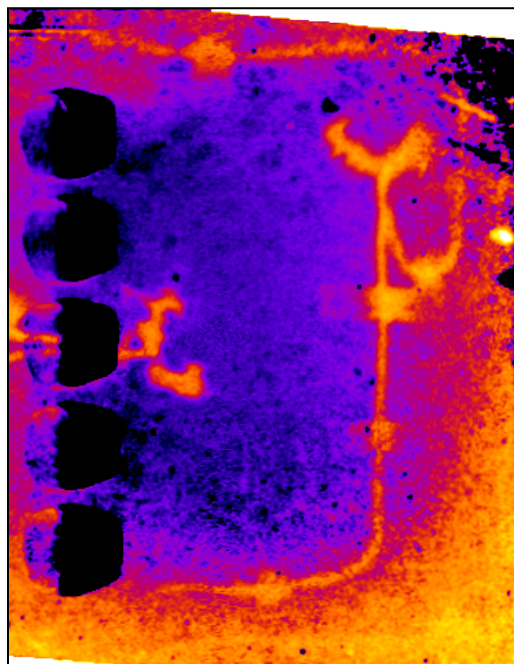
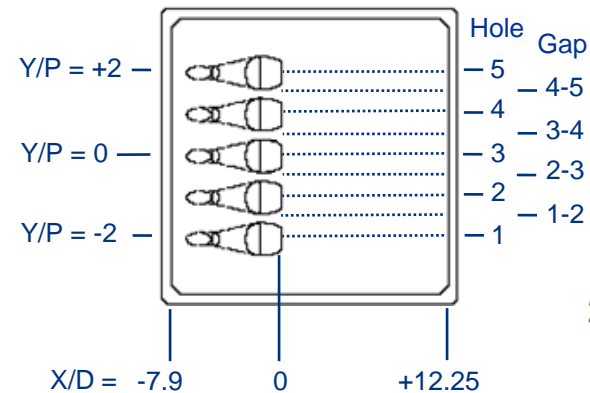


# Temperature Contours on Axial Planes (Case 2A)

Temperature [K]



# Test Coupon Axial Heat Flux Profiles (Case 2A)



# Summary

- **NETL test rig validation**
  - Significant improvement in IR temperature measurements
  - Achieved uncertainty goals for measuring overall film cooling effectiveness and local heat flux reduction
  - Very close to achieving uncertainty goals for 2D heat flux reduction contours
- **Conjugate heat transfer CFD modeling**
  - Completing grid sensitivity studies
  - Radiative heat transfer study (not yet completed)
    - Realistic comparison with measured metal temperatures
- **University and industrial collaboration is encouraged**

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