

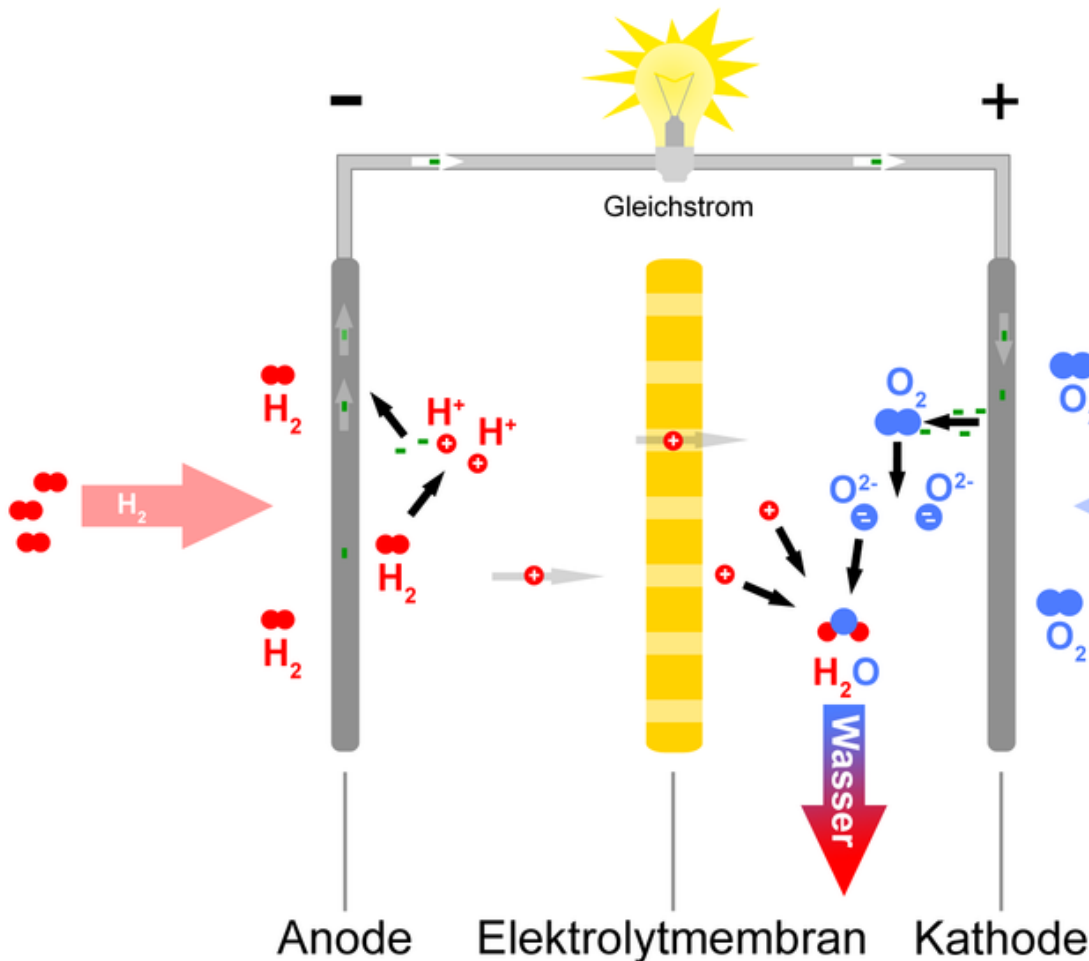


Heliocentris Fuel Cell Systems for critical infrastructures

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Reaktionsgleichung:
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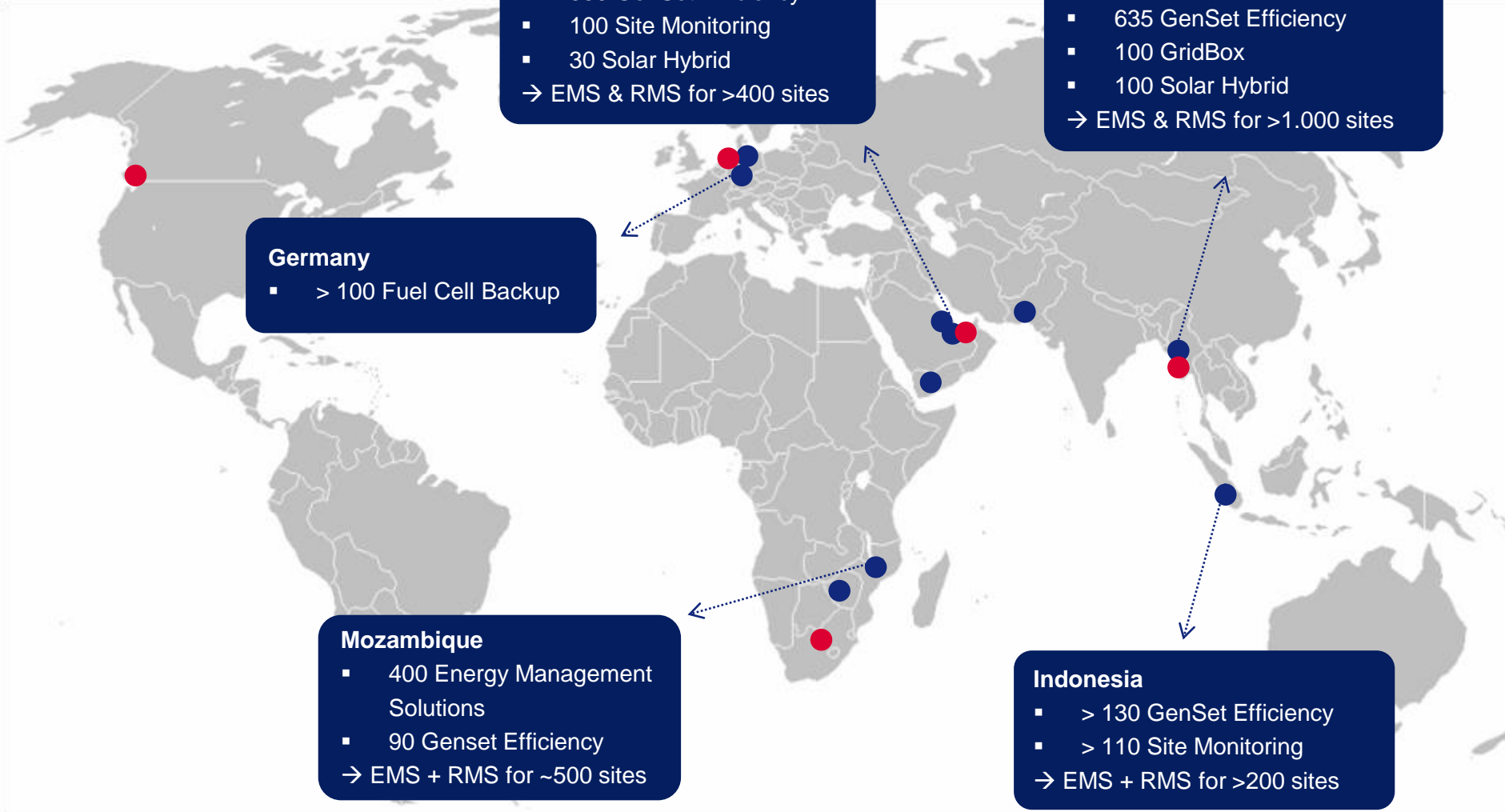
Anode:
 $2 \text{H}_2 \Rightarrow 4 \text{H}^+ + 4\text{e}^-$

Kathode:
 $\text{O}_2 + 4 \text{H}^+ + 4\text{e}^- = 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$

Theoretische Leerlauf-
Spannung pro
Zelle: 1,23V

History	1995: Company Foundation
Products	Energy Management Systems Turnkey Power Solutions Network Management Software Power Operations Services Fuel Cell & Electrolyzer Systems
Markets	> 50 countries
Locations	Berlin (HQ), Munich, Stuttgart, Dubai, Vancouver, Johannesburg, Yangon

Selected Projects



Good Grid



- Critical Infrastructure
- Extended Backup requirements

Emergency Power

Unreliable Grid



- Varying & unpredictable load pattern
- Noise restrictions due to proximity to communities

Complementary Power

Remote Off-Grid



- Extremely remote sites
- Difficult site access

Autonomous Power



10kWp Indoor Configuration

Designed for

- ✓ high reliability
- ✓ high flexibility
- ✓ very low standby costs

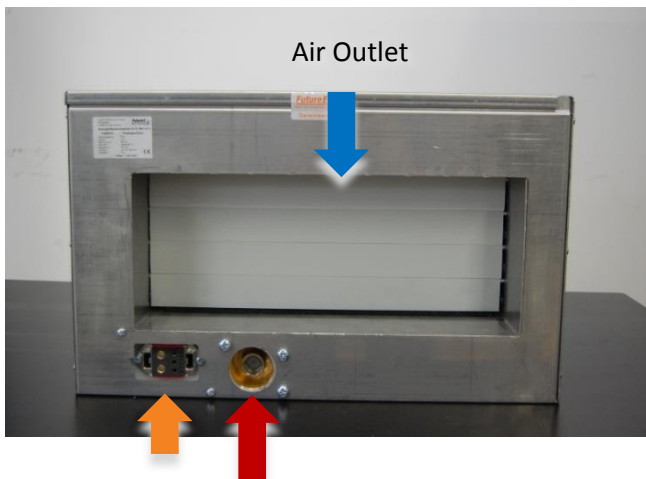
System key features

MODULAR	Rated power scalable in 2.5 kWp steps; Redundant layout of certain system components
FLEXIBLE	Configuration as online or offline UPS; Load modulation from 30 ... 120 %
EFFICIENT	> 50 %
RELIABLE	Very simple system design, no consumables, no fuel degradation
QUIET	63 dBA (@ 1 m)
ROBUST	Operating range from -40 ... +50 °C
LOW MAINTENANCE	1 site visit per year

Fuel Cell Module (FC) - Front side



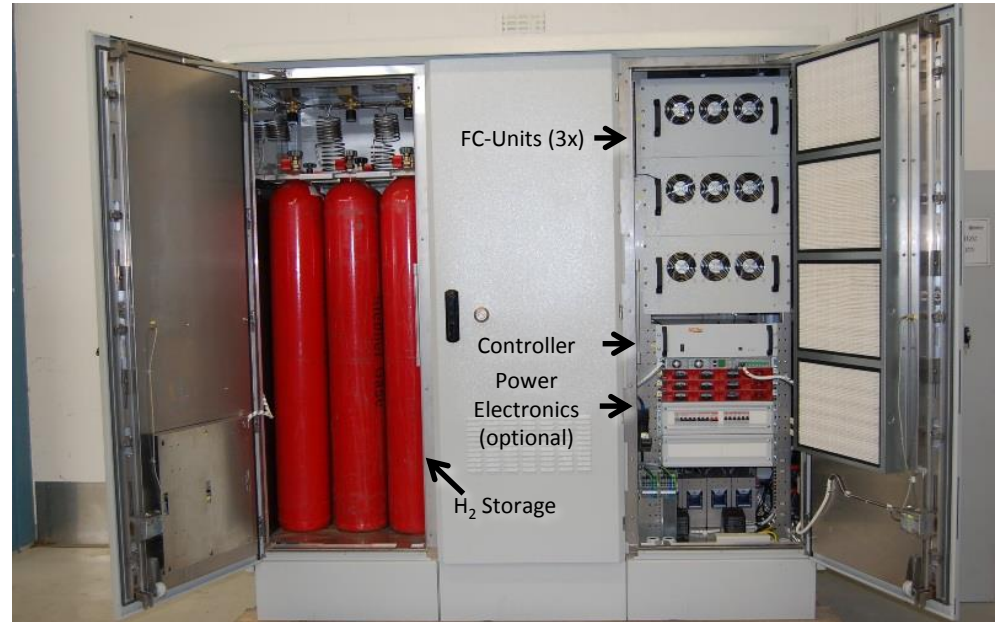
Fuel Cell Module (FC) - Back side



Electrical connection
and Communication
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Hydrogen

Fuel Cell System (FCS) – Front side



e.g. 6kW @ 400 VAC Outdoor FCS incl. H₂ compartment

- Easy installation, commissioning and service:
 - Space saving (19 and 23" units available)
 - Low unit weight (all units < 30 kg)
 - Front handling
- Standardized interfaces
- Remote Monitoring and Control

Principle - H₂-storage in High-Pressure Tanks

For Hydrogen the ideal gas equation with compression factor z(p) applies:

$$P \cdot V = (m/M) \cdot R \cdot T \cdot z(p)$$

P [bar]	1	20	200	300
z(p)	1	1,02	1,132	1,201

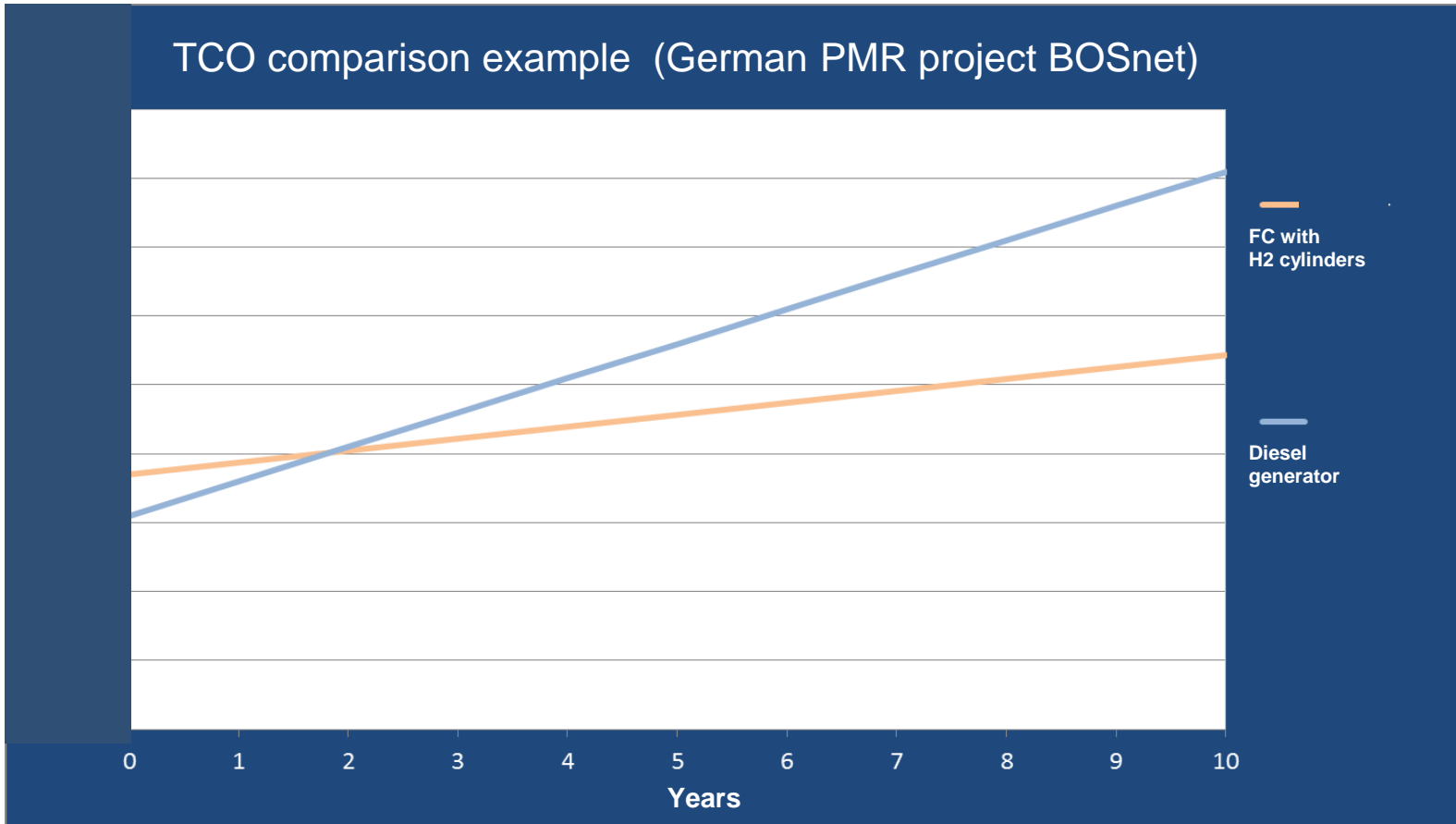
Calculated with 33 kWh/kg for H₂: ([p]=bar; [V]=liter; [z]=1)

Energy content W = (p·V/T·z(p))·0,8 kWh

50 liter storage volume	bottle @ 200 bar	bundle @ 200 bar	bottle @ 300 bar	bundle @ 300 bar
Energy content gross	25,8 kWh	309,6 kWh	36,5 kWh	438 kWh
Energy content net (~ 50 η)	~ 12 kWh	~ 150 kWh	~ 18 kWh	~ 200 kWh
H ₂ -standard volume	8,6 Nm ³	103,2 Nm ³	12,17 Nm ³	146,04 Nm ³
H ₂ -weight	0,77 kg	9,24 kg	1,1 kg	13,2 kg
Example for 4 kW: range of stored Hydrogen	3 h	37,5 h	4.7 h	50 h

Requirement	Jupiter Fuel Cell Backup Power	Diesel Backup Power
Required autonomous runtime	✓ can be ensured by an appropriate number of hydrogen bottles	✓ can be ensured by the appropriate tank size
Uninterrupted refueling	✓ Exchange or refilling of the pressurized H ₂ storage while operating is possible	✓ Refilling of the diesel tank while operating is possible
Additional supply of maintenance resource	✓ For disaster situations appropriate precautionary provisions are necessary and possible	✓ For disaster situations appropriate precautionary provisions are necessary and possible
Scalability of power	✓ Well matched to the power required by modular cascading. High efficiency at partial and full load (> 50%).	✗ Due to the torque characteristics they are usually oversized in power. Consequence: operating at partial load with low efficiency (<15%)
230 / 400 V AC	✓ Via integrated DC/AC converter	✓ Via integrated synchronous generator
Material safety	✓ Outdoor-cabinet up to RC4 available	✗ RC only possible with container assembly
High availability	✓ Intrinsic: in standby mode a FC hardly ages and H ₂ ages not at all. The system design is simple and therefore robust and low-maintenance	✗ Diesel engine and fuel wear out on standby. High availability is only ensured by increased maintenance costs and monthly test run @ load.
Customizability to special site circumstances	✓ Due to the modular system concept several design versions are possible and the transport is easy.	✗ The diesel generator is a large heavy block, therefore not easy to transport and inflexible.

After already 2 years the total costs (TCO) of a Jupiter backup power supply is more attractive than a diesel-system!



Assumptions: Fuel Cell: 5 kW_p, 230 V AC, 13x 300 bar H₂ cylinder rented, outdoor cabinet, foundation, installation
Diesel Genset: 12 kVA, 150 liter tank, foundation, installation, monthly test runs
Prices as of 2014

References



Already more than 100 systems successfully in operation



APPLICATION

Backup for PMR “BOS Digitalfunktechnik”

SYSTEMS

“Jupiter” FC-Systems: 2-6 kW @ 230 VAC

HOUSING

Outdoor Cabinet (RC4)

Outdoor Cabinet (RC2)

Outdoor Cabinet (RC0)

Container (RC3)

Indoor:

LOCATIONS

Germany (BOS)

INSTALLATION

2011 – 2015



APPLICATION

Backup power supply with peak-power shaving and minute reserve

SYSTEM

„Jupiter“ FC-System: 14 / 28 kW @ -60 VDC

HOUSINGS

Indoor, Outdoor and Container

LOCATIONS

Germany / Czech Republic

INSTALLATION

2009 - 2011



e-plus⁺

APPLICATION

Grid Independent Power supply
(100% zero emissions)

SYSTEMS

Jupiter FC-System: 2/4 kW @ -48 VDC

ENCLOSURE

Container

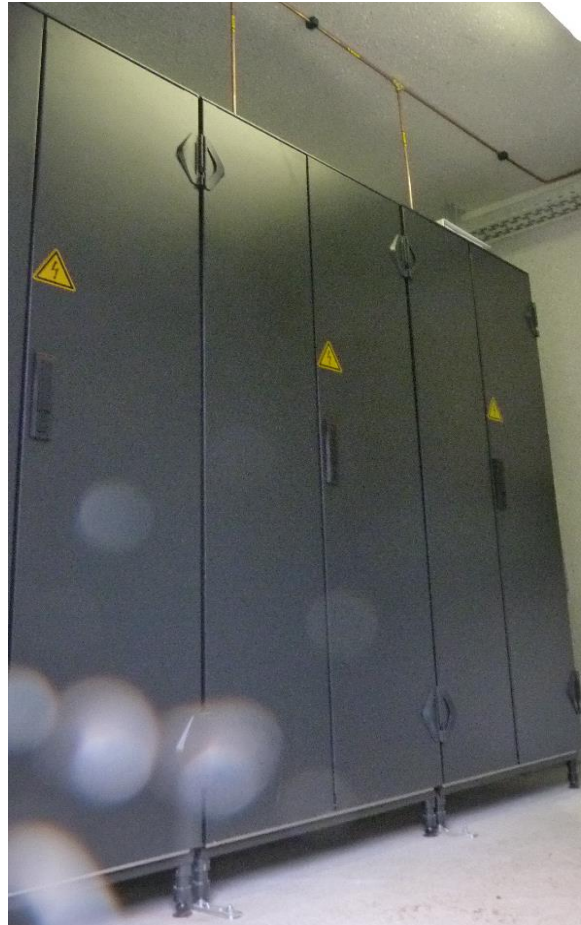
LOCATION

Versmold and Büren, Germany

INSTALLATION

2011 and 2012





Landkreis Göppingen

Herzlich willkommen im Stauferkreis

APPLICATION

Backup power supply for IT Center

SYSTEM

“Jupiter” FC-System: 20 kW @ 380 VAC

HOUSING

Container solution

LOCATION

Göppingen, Germany

INSTALLATION

2012



APPLICATION

Range extender for electrical energy storage for signal box

SYSTEM

“Jupiter” FC-System: 6 kW @ 60 VDC

HOUSING

RC2 outdoor cabinet

LOCATION

Germany

INSTALLATION

2013



APPLICATION

Backup power supply

SYSTEMS

“Jupiter” FC-System: 6 kW @ 380 VAC

HOUSING

Outdoor cabinet

LOCATION

Germany

INSTALLATION

2013 and 2015



Stromnetz
Hamburg



APPLICATION

Backup power supply

SYSTEMS

“Jupiter” FC-System: 6 kW @ 220 VDC

HOUSING

Indoor FC cabinet with outdoor H2 cabinet

LOCATION

Germany

INSTALLATION

2015



Thank You / Vielen Dank



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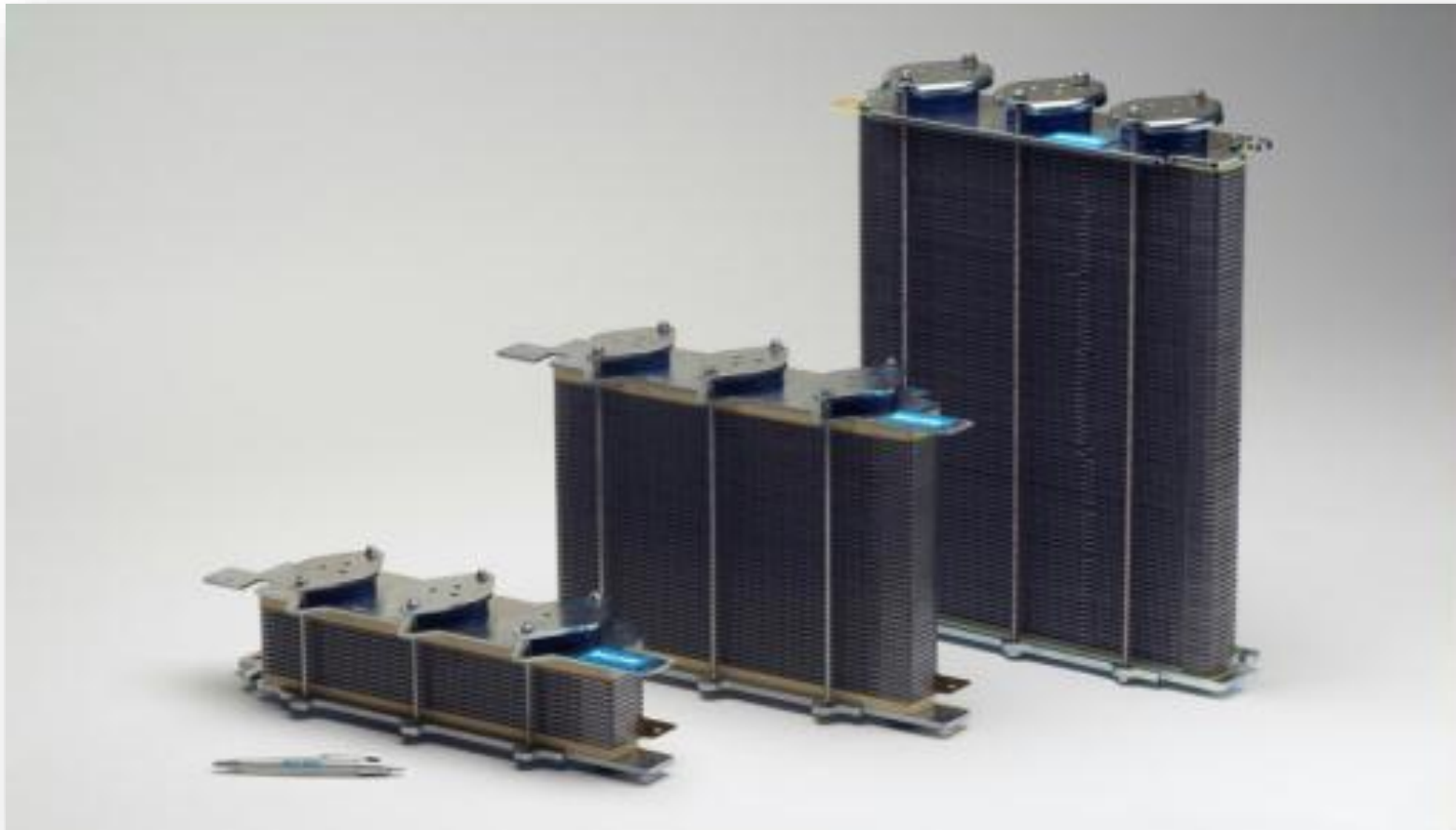
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Example - Fuel Cell Stack



Source: Ballard Power Systems Inc.

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Issues with battery bank and Diesel genset backup-systems

- Battery bank needs to be cooled with air con
- Battery has short life span (2-5 years)
- Disposal of lead acid battery is hazardous to the environment.
- Diesel gen-set needs regular maintenance to keep its availability (2-6 site visits/year)
- Diesel genset is noisy during operation
- Diesel genset has toxic emissions (particles, SO_x, NO_x)
- Weight and vibrations prevent many rooftop installations
- Genset and diesel fuel are often subjected to thefts

Potential achievements through fuel cell technology

- Replacement of backup diesel gensets
- Reduction of OPEX due to less site visits
- Reduction of CO₂ emission
- Reduction of noise emission
- Installation at sites where genset is not possible/allowed
- Improve network availability
- Reduction of lead acid batteries banks
- Reduction of air-conditioning usage (due to smaller battery banks)



Why do we need a reliable backup power supply (3/5)?

Hurricane „Kyrill“ (on January 18th and 19th, 2007)

Kyrill in numbers:

- 47 persons died, 11 of them in Germany
- Damages amounting to approx. 3,5 billion Euro
- Wind velocities of up to 225 km/h (Europe-wide max. wind gust at 2850 m)
- Extensive power outages **lasting more than 24 hours** in all of Germany
- In the southern part of Brandenburg power outages lasted up to **48 hours**

