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Solar cooling related developments of ILK Dresden

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# ILK Dresden – R&D company

- Founded in 1964
- Re-established as independent research institute in 1991
- Employees: 145
- Academics: 72 %
- mean age: 44
- Laboratory area: 3070 m<sup>2</sup>
- Test rigs: ~56
- Phys. / Chem. Laboratories: 25





#### Competences



- Strong background in absorption refrigeration technology with H<sub>2</sub>O/LiBr and NH<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O (e.g. EAW and AGO absorption chillers)
- Several developments of stand alone PV driven cooling solutions
- Applied materials department = experts in refrigerants, working fluids and PCM materials
- Inside knowledge of compression systems (compressor test stand, heat pump laboratory for air and water based systems)
- Development and application of a highly efficient cold storage technology (direct evaporation ice slurry)



# **Related projects and developments**

- Directly air-cooled absorption chiller (8...20 kW)
- **Low capacity (50 kW) double effect chiller**
- System evaluation and optimisation
  - "EvaSolK" (PV/ST-comparison, monitoring of compression systems)
  - "SolaRück" new approaches to the re-cooling issue of sorption chillers
- Direct evaporation ice storage technology
- Low driving temperature desalination technology suitable for coupling with solar thermally driven cooling systems -> double heat usage







High Temperature Phase Change Material



#### 25 °C

150 °C

#### Melting Temperature: 126 °C



#### Solar Cooling Container



- 20ft container with 23 m<sup>3</sup> cold room
- PV generator: 3.4 kWp
- nom. cooling power: 5.1 kW (-5°C / 45°C)
- room temperature: 0°C to +10°C (adjustable, fan controlled)
- ice storage for cooling over 3 days without sun

Cooling system for cold storage of perishable goods and food stuffs



#### Solar Medicine Storage Container



- 10ft container with 3 different cold rooms
- room temperatures: 5°C / 15°C / 25°C
- PV generator: 1.7 kWp
- nom. cooling power: 2.5 kW (-5°C / 45°C)
- ice storage for 3 days without sun

Cooling system for cold storage of medicines, vaccines and blood conserves



#### PV Ice Maker



- 20ft container with ice maker
- PV generator: 5.1 kWp
- nom. cooling power: 5.9 kW (-10°C / 45°C)
- 250 kg crushed ice per day
- water tank
- UV water disinfection
- ice storage seizing two daily outputs

Specially developed ice machine with high efficiency



#### PV Milk Cooling Centre



System for cooling and cold storing of milk

- 20ft container with milk storage
- PV generator: 3.4 kWp
- nom. cooling power: 11.3 kW (15°C / 50°C)
- milk storage and refrigeration
- capacity: 1000 l
- large ice storage with 70 kWh
- two-stage milk cooling with secondary fluid cycle

#### **Power supply: Hard and Software**

Standard VFD for solar pumping systems



- Based on standard industrial products
- Cost optimized solution for standalone drives without battery
- Automatic operation with integrated
  MPP-Tracking, dry run protection
- Display with integrated data loggingApplications:
- Solar pumping systems
  - Use of standard pumps up to 15 kW
- Refrigeration units





### **Thanks for your attention!**

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