



# **AREVA thermo hydraulic testing capabilities and related OpenFOAM analysis**

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# Testing capabilities at AREVA Technical Center

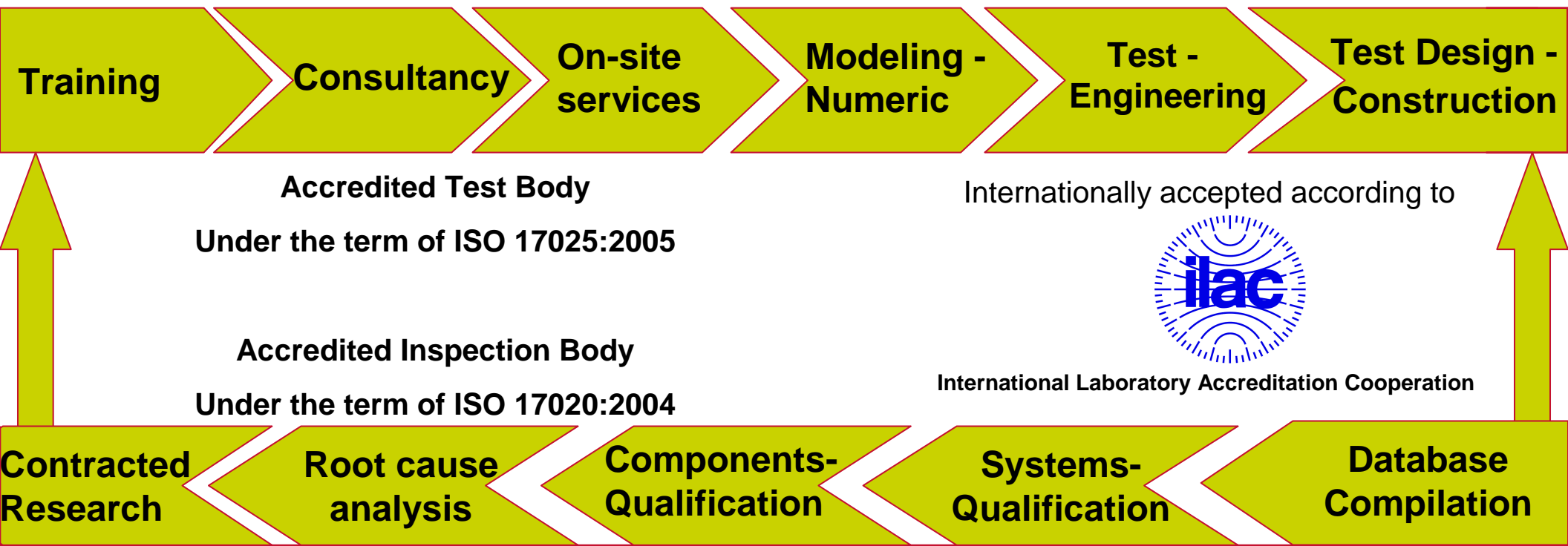


# AREVA Technical Center



- ▶ The AREVA Technical Center hosts experimental and measurement test facilities for qualification and quality control
- ▶ In the department of Thermal Hydraulics and Fluid Dynamics (PTCTT-G) researchers work closely together on both experiments and modeling
- ▶ It is acknowledged that the open structure of OpenFOAM facilitates cooperation and quicker development
  - ◆ Complex physics, programming and computer science
  - ◆ Quick debugging and testing of code
  - ◆ Cooperation with universities (master thesis etc.) easier to realize
  - ◆ More and more students “speak OpenFOAM”
- ▶ Main focus on complex rotational flow, multi phase flow and heat transfer
- ▶ Goal: Tight coupling of experimental results and CFD

# Thermo Hydraulic Platform



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# Characteristics of world wide unique testing & qualification infrastructure



## Accredited Test Body

Under the term of ISO 17025:2005

## Accredited measurement range

Measurements	Range	Accuracy
Temperature	0°C - 600°C	0,3 K
Pressure	10 Pa - 40 MPa	0,5 %
Volume flow rate	0,1 l/h – 1.500 m <sup>3</sup> /h	0,5 %
Mass flow rate	0,1 kg/h - 4.000 kg/s	0,5 %
Force	1 N - 10.000 kN	1%
Momentum	Up to 50.000 Nm	1%
Distance	1 µm bis 10 m	0,5 %
Velocity	1 mm/s – 100 m/s	0,5 %
Acceleration	0,5 – 1.000 g	1 %
Current	1 mA - 85.000 A	0,5%
Voltage	1 mV - 4 kV	0,5%
Electrical power	bis 20 MW	0,5%

- ▶ Test area > 2000 m<sup>2</sup>
- ▶ Test height > 30 m
- ▶ Crane capacity: up to 100 t
- ▶ Steam supply up to 22 MW
- ▶ Pressure volume up to 125m<sup>3</sup> at 165 bar
- ▶ Electrical power up to 20 MW

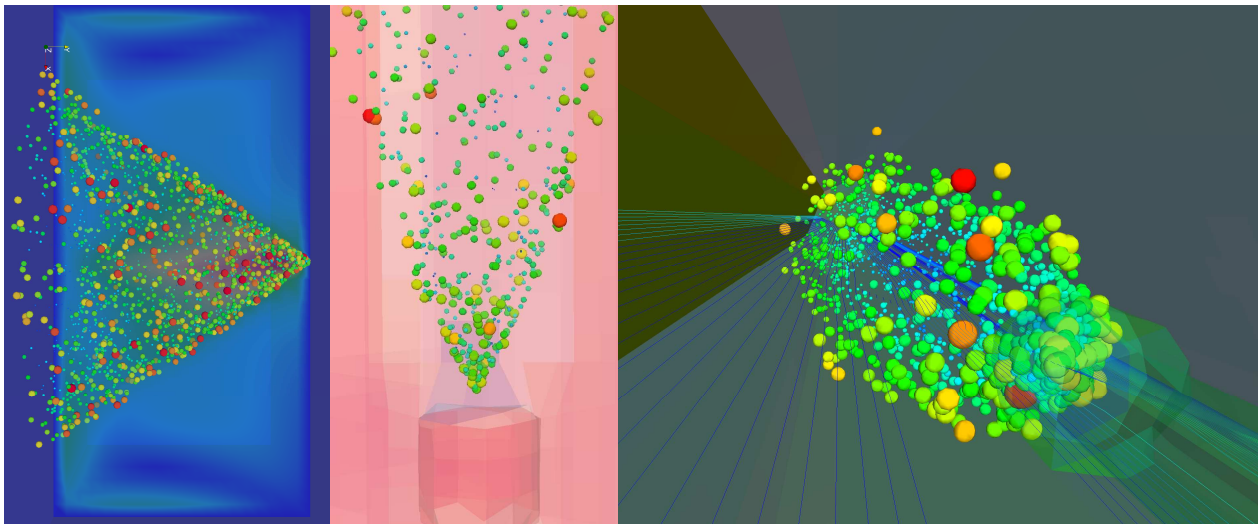
## Accredited Inspection Body

Under the term of ISO 17020:2004

Evaluation of systems and components regarding defined acceptance criteria

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# Examples of OpenFOAM application: Wall film formation



# Multi phase flow: Spray deposition and film formation

## ▶ Task:

- ◆ Development of a high pressure resistant film sensor

## ▶ Steps done:

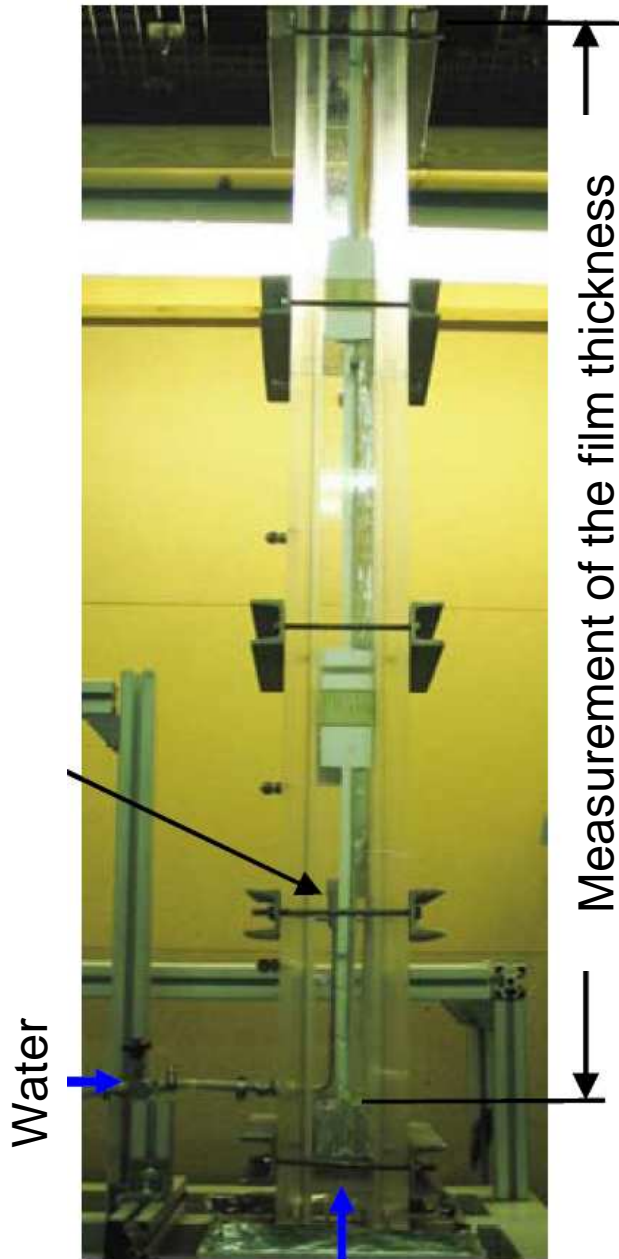
- ◆ Realisation of a suitable experimental test rig
- ◆ Validation of numerical tools for further investigation

- ▶ Inlet conditions, including particle size distribution are known
- ▶ Film thickness is measured along the channel
- ▶ Lagrange particle tracking is used as simulation approach for the liquid phase
- ▶ Schlick hollow cone nozzle is used for spray atomisation

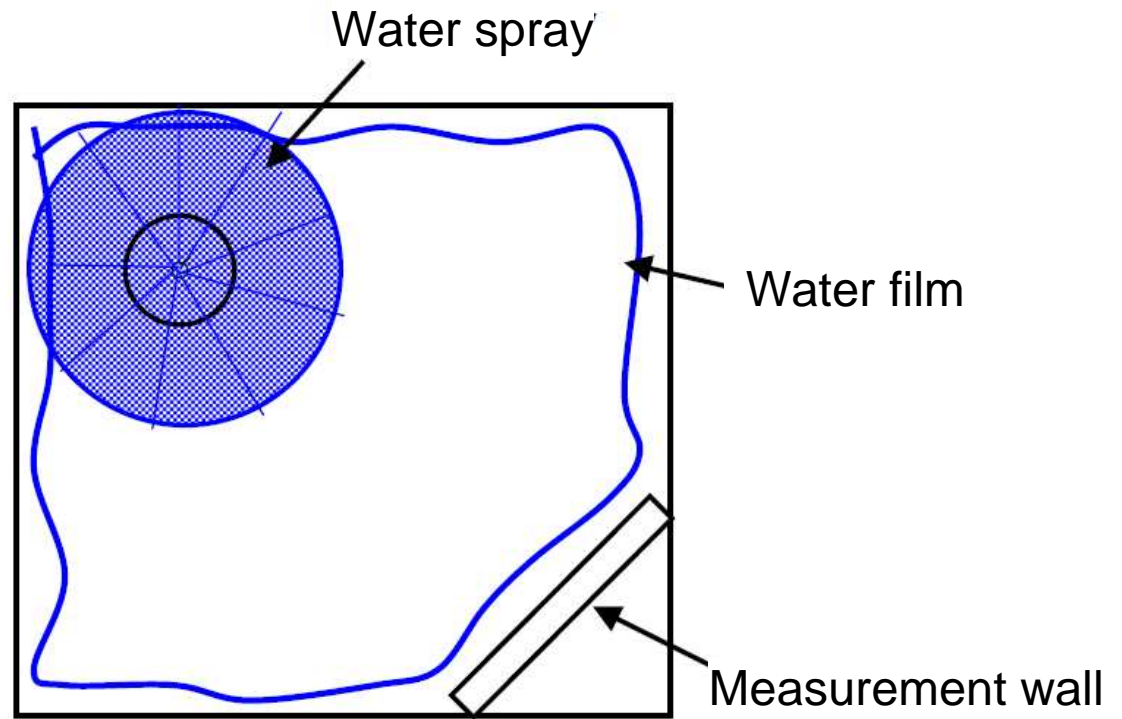


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# Film measurement test rig



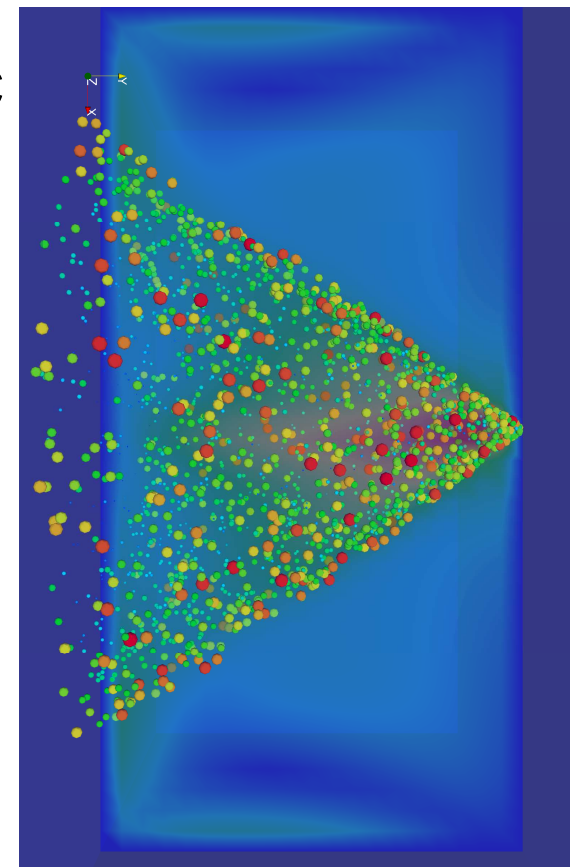
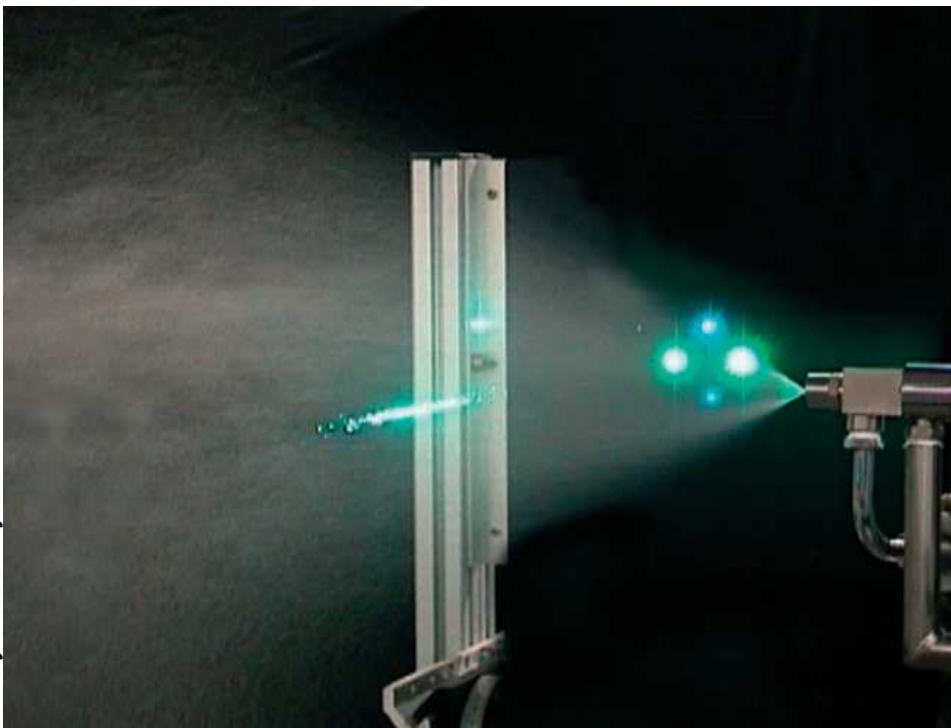
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# Multi phase flow: Nozzle simulation for particle size distribution

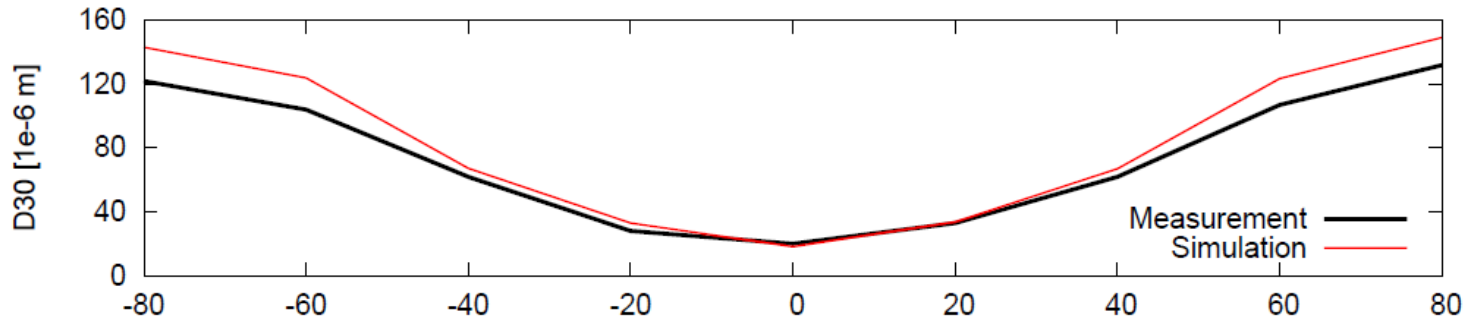
- ▶ Measurement data from the manufacturer available
- ▶ Used to characterize particle size distributions and inlet velocity of the particles
- ▶ Simulation inside an ideal box with slip wall BC

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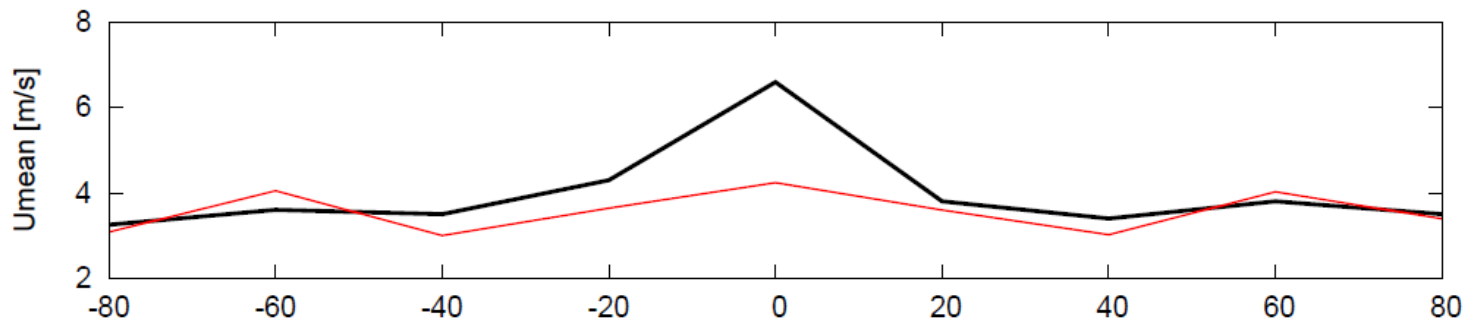


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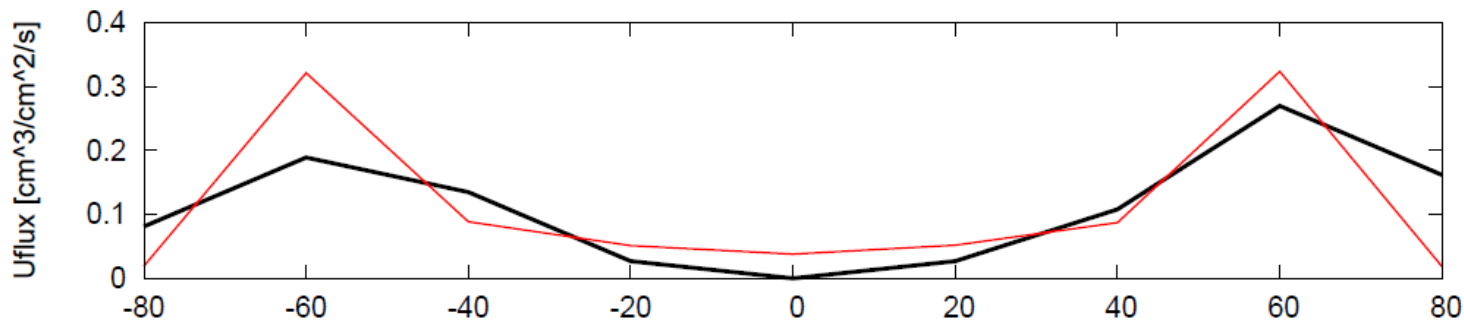
# Nozzle simulation and comparison with experiment at the sampling plane



► Mean droplet diameter



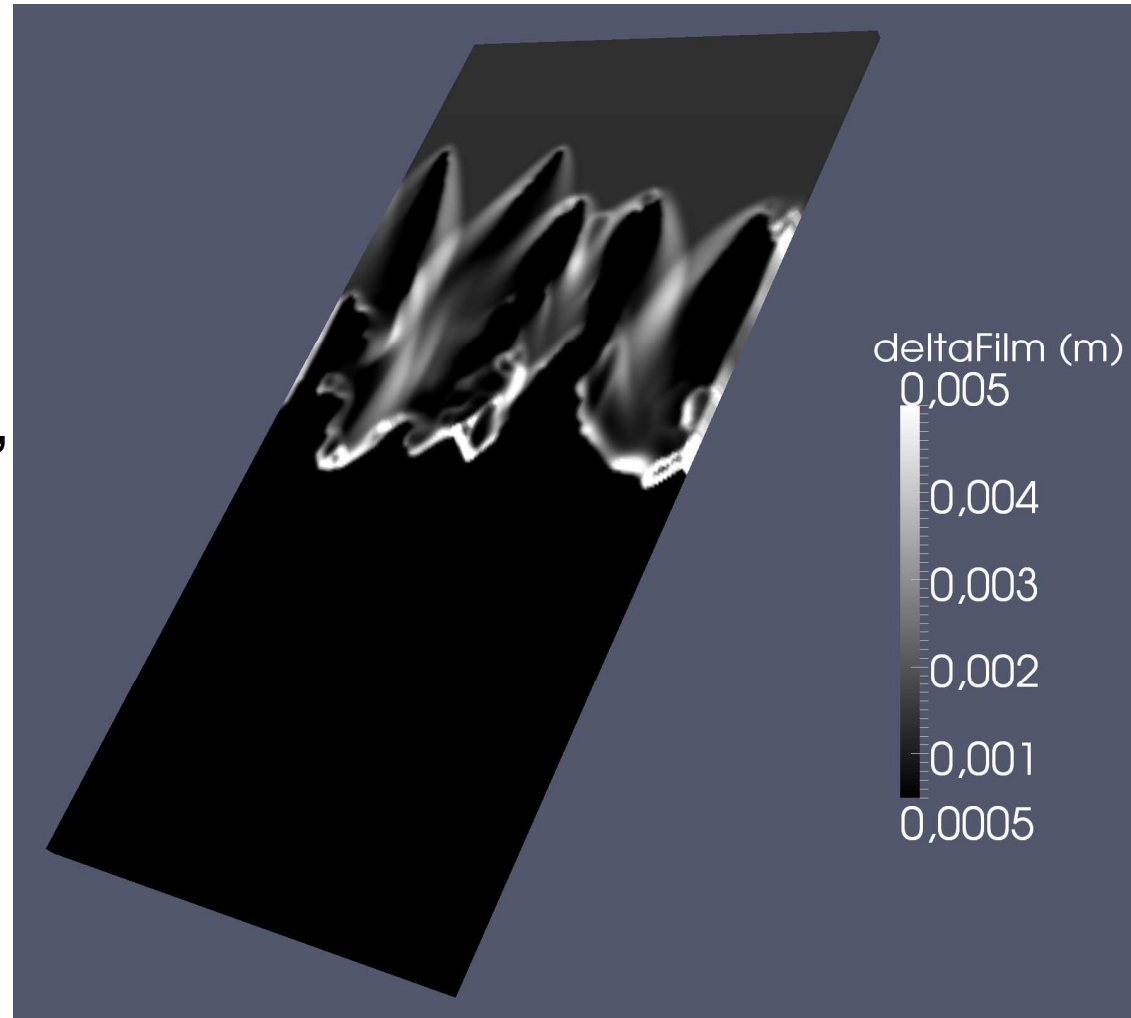
► Mean droplet velocity



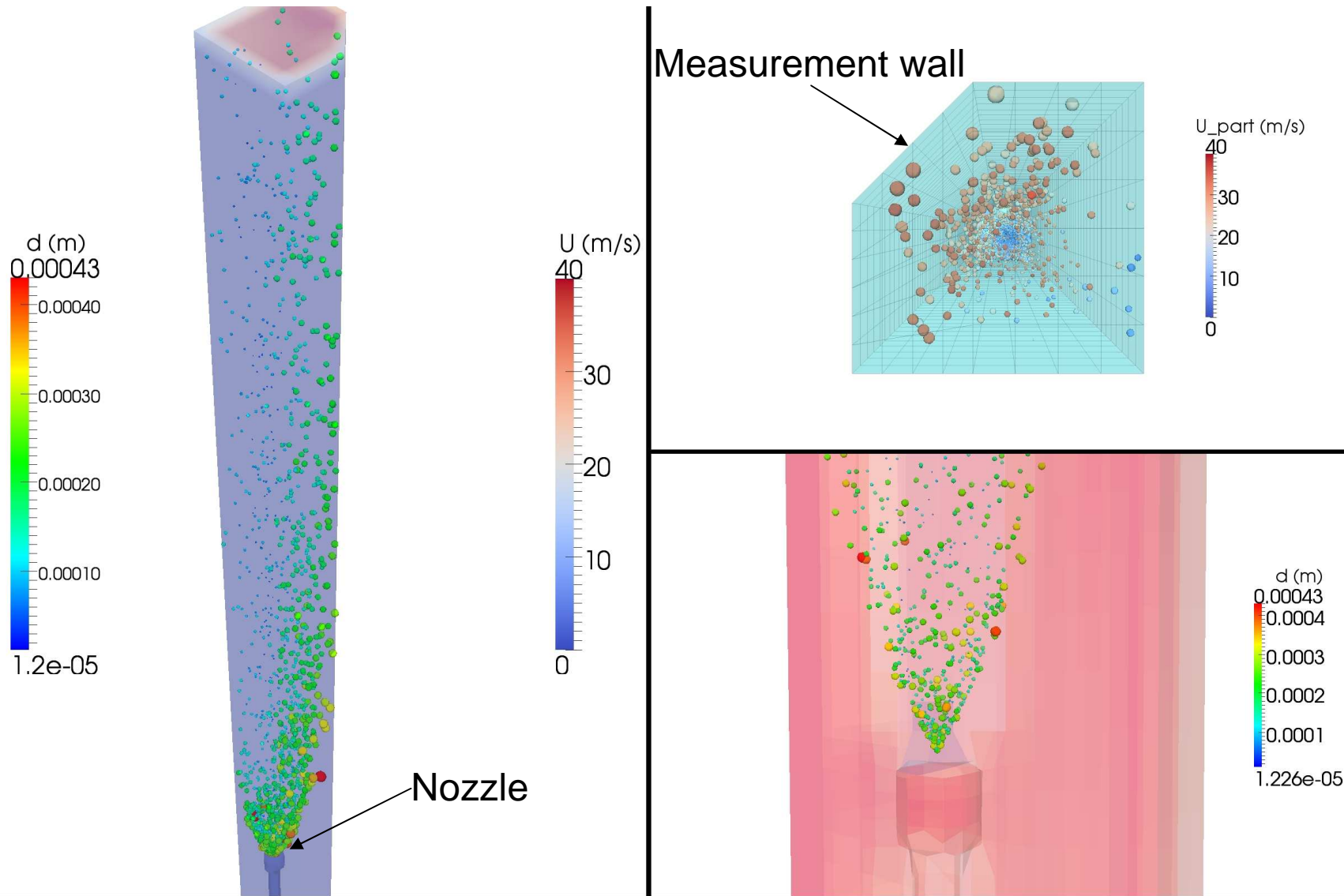
► Mean flux

# Droplet - film calculations

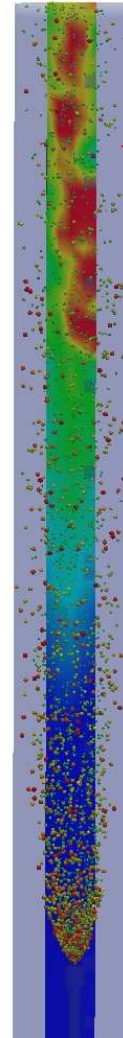
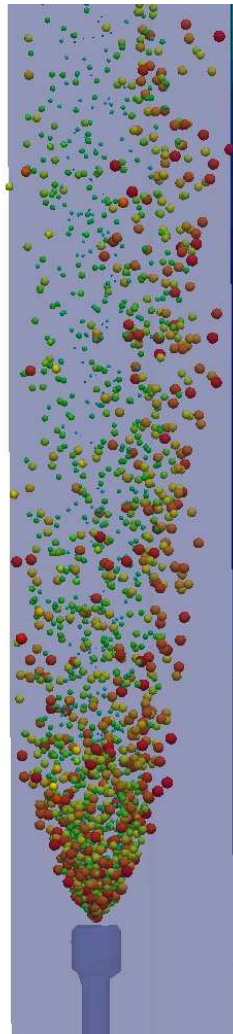
- ▶ For thin films a layer of one-cell-thickness can be calculated
- ▶ Example test case inclined plate
- ▶ BC at the top:  $\Delta \text{Film} = 1.4 \text{ mm}$
- ▶ Model from FMGlobal<sup>1</sup> includes film transport, particle deposition, ejection and flow coupling (now also available in OF 2.0.x)
- ▶ Comparison with analytical Nusselt solution performed<sup>1</sup>



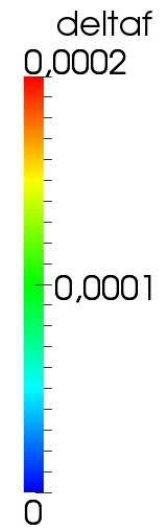
# Discrete particle simulation



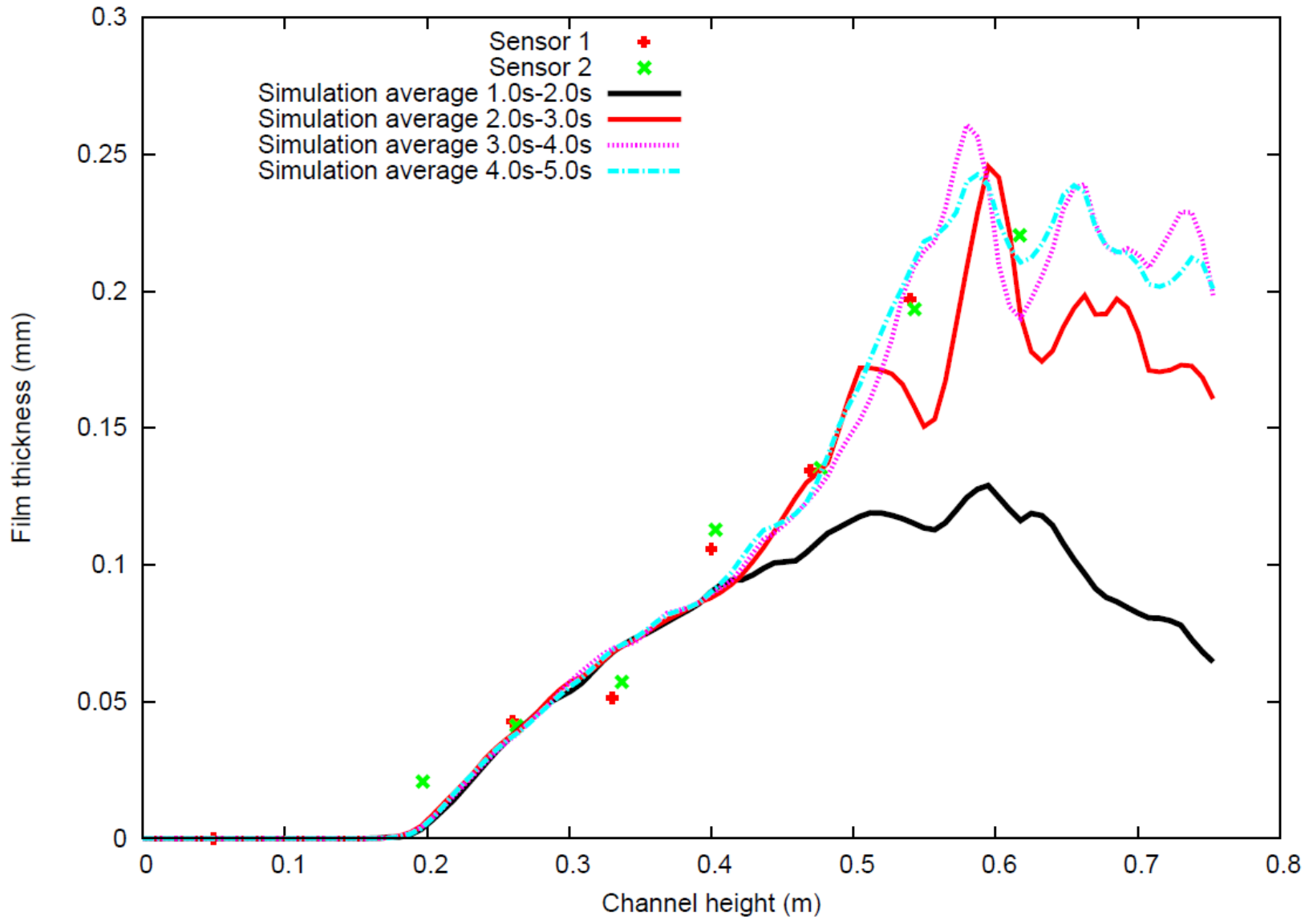
# Discrete particle simulation



Wall film formation:  
film thickness  $\delta f$   
in mm

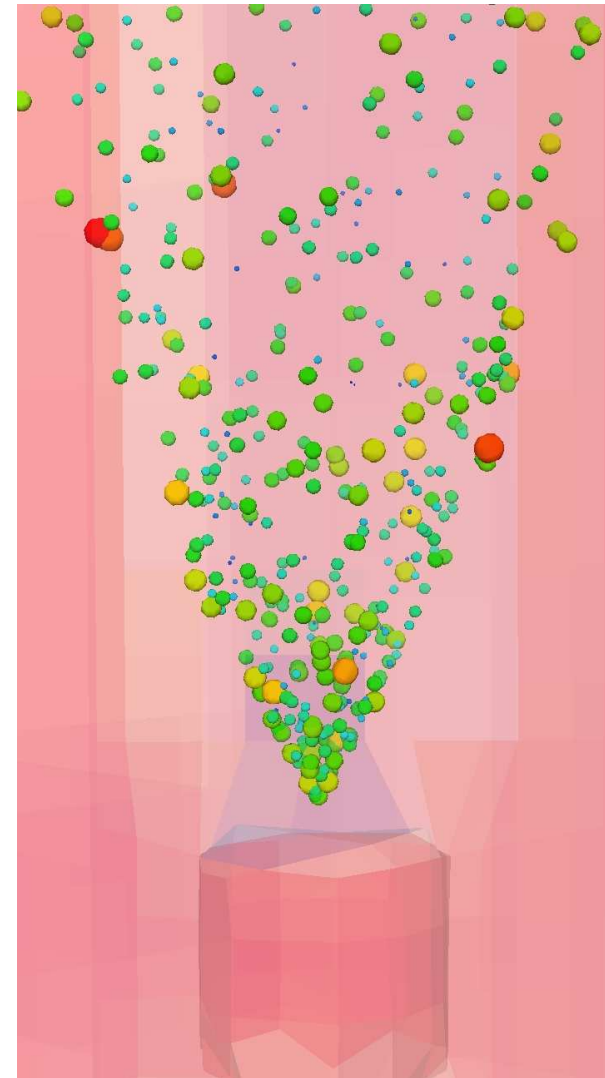


# Film thickness results

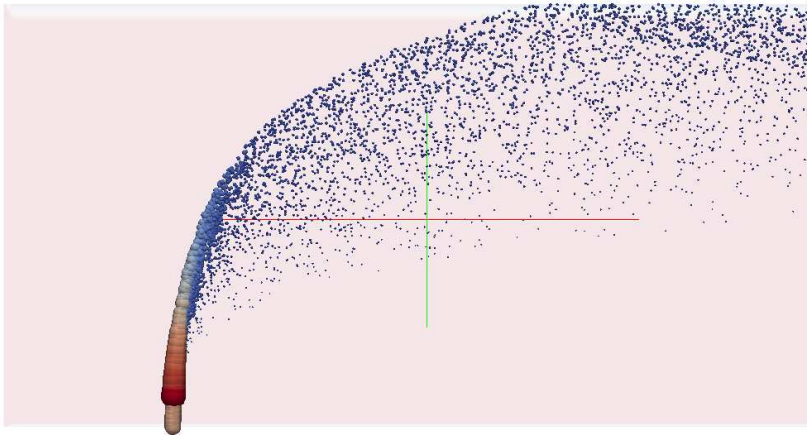


# Conclusion droplet and film simulation

- ▶ **Complex multi phase flow with LTP and film formation was calculated and validated with experimental results**
- ▶ **Has to be further investigated to make it a predictive tool (results are sensitive regarding grid size, nozzle spray, film shear stress)**
- ▶ **Future goal: use this functionality in advanced measurement techniques**

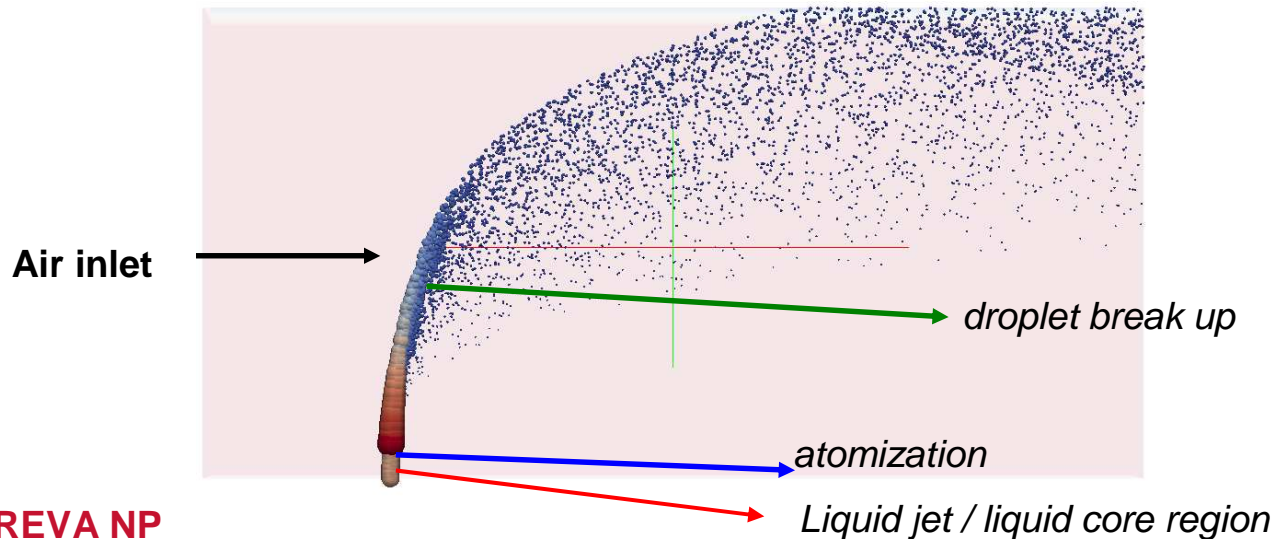


# Examples of OpenFOAM application: Liquid Jet in Cross Flow (LJCF)



# LJCF (Liquid Jet in Cross Flow)

- ▶ LJCF is chosen to investigate break up
- ▶ Experimental data used
  - ◆ Set “A” from: “Momentum Coherence Breakdown of Bending Atomizing Liquid Jet”, R. Ragucci et al., 2003, Proceedings of the 9th ICLASS Conference.
  - ◆ Set “B” from: “Breakup and Atomization of a Kerosene Jet in Crossflow at Elevated Pressure”, Becker J. and Hassa C., 2002, Atomization and Sprays.
- ▶ Included processes: atomization, break up, droplet transport



$$We_{aero} = \frac{\rho_g D_{inj} u_g^2}{\sigma}$$

$$q = \frac{\rho_l w_{l,inj}^2}{\rho_g u_g^2}$$

# OpenFOAM Results LJCF Euler-Euler simulations

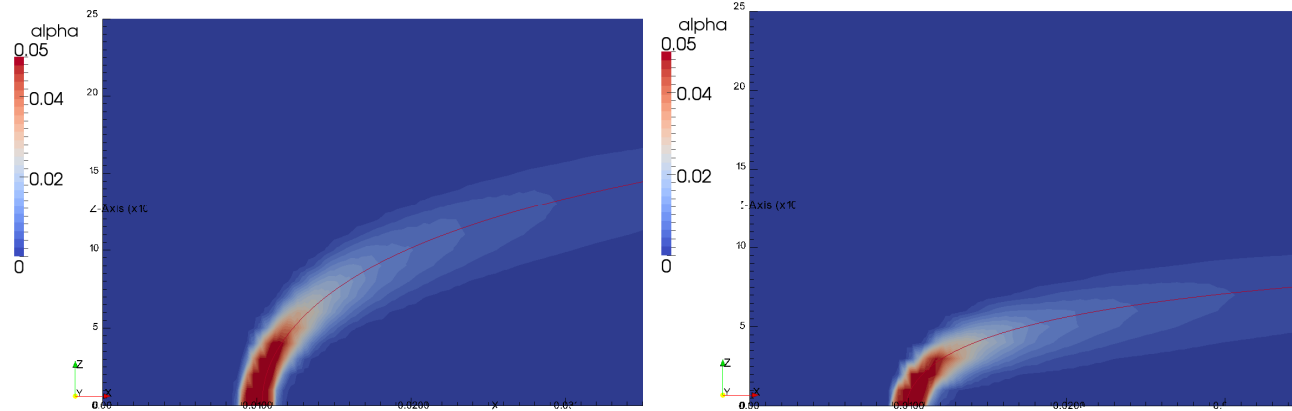


- ▶ **First calculations used Euler Euler framework of OpenFOAM (bubbleFOAM) and the data set A of Ragucci**
- ▶ **Techniques from [1] adapted for successful simulation:**
  - ◆ **BIM (Broadened Injection Model): artificially enlarging the injection diameter**
    - Avoid very small grid cells at the injection orifice
    - Avoid to get a very high volume fraction in the near field
  
  - ◆ **Liquid Column Model: reduced drag coefficient is used to calculate the drag force of the liquid column region**

# LJCF penetration with Euler Euler (bubbleFOAM)



Without liquid column (CD=1.5 and left:diameter=0.2mm, right: diameter=0.08mm)



With liquid column (CD=1.5 and left:diameter=0.2mm, right: diameter=0.08mm)

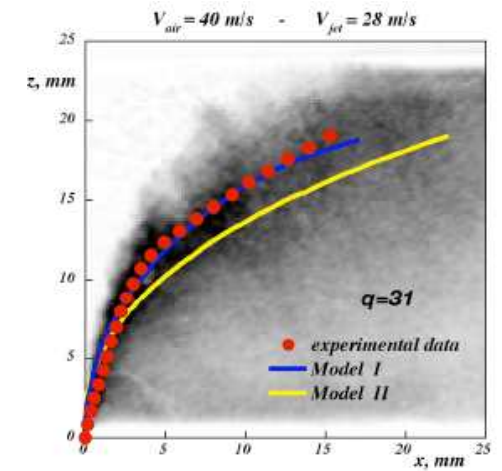
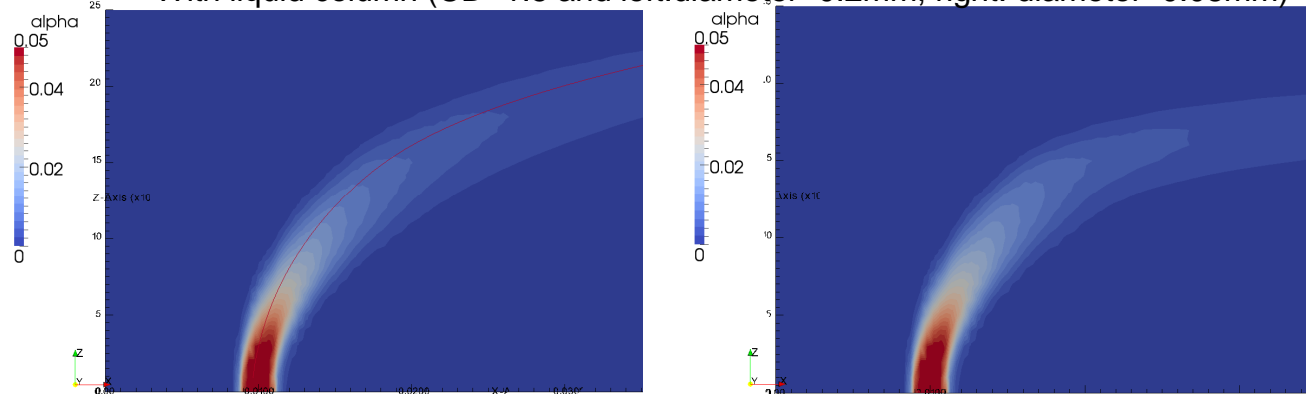
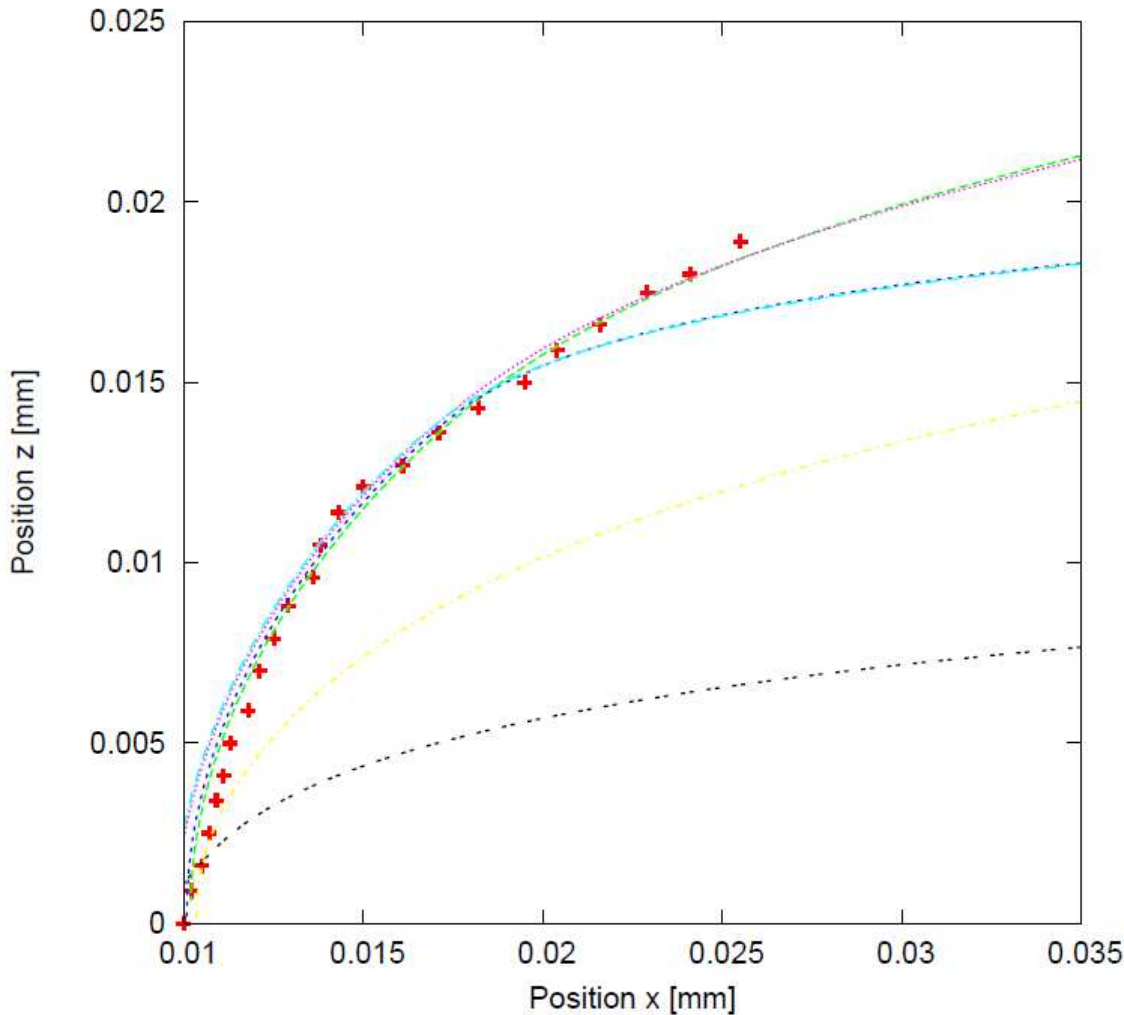


Figure: Experimental data for  $q=31$

# LJCF penetration with Euler Euler (bubbleFOAM)



Comparison Crossflow Experiment



exp\_data +  
 A\_f\_with\_200 ---  
 B\_f\_with\_80 - - -  
 C\_g\_with\_200 ···  
 D\_g\_with\_80 -·-·-  
 E\_g\_without\_200 -·-·-  
 F\_g\_without\_80 - - -

Name	Mesh	Column Model /Cd	Particel Diameter for Cd
A_f_with_200	fine	Yes/Cd=1.5	200 μm
B_f_with_80	fine	Yes/Cd=1.5	80 μm
C_g_with_200	coarse	Yes/Cd=1.5	200 μm
D_g_with_80	coarse	Yes/Cd=1.5	80 μm
E_g_without_200	coarse	no	200 μm
F_g_without_80	coarse	no	80 μm

# LJCF with Euler-Lagrange in OpenFOAM

- ▶ The recently introduced spray class of OF 2.0.x was used
- ▶ Three configurations from set B (kerosene jet) were simulated:

	p (bar)	$u_g$ (m/s)	q (-)	$w_l$ (m/s)
LJCF-B1	6	100	6	23.3
LJCF-B2	6	100	2	13.46
LJCF-B3	6	100	18	40.38

$$We_{aero} = \frac{\rho_g D_{inj} u_g^2}{\sigma}$$

$$q = \frac{\rho_l w_{l,inj}^2}{\rho_g u_g^2}$$

- ▶ A wide range of atomization models and break up models was tested

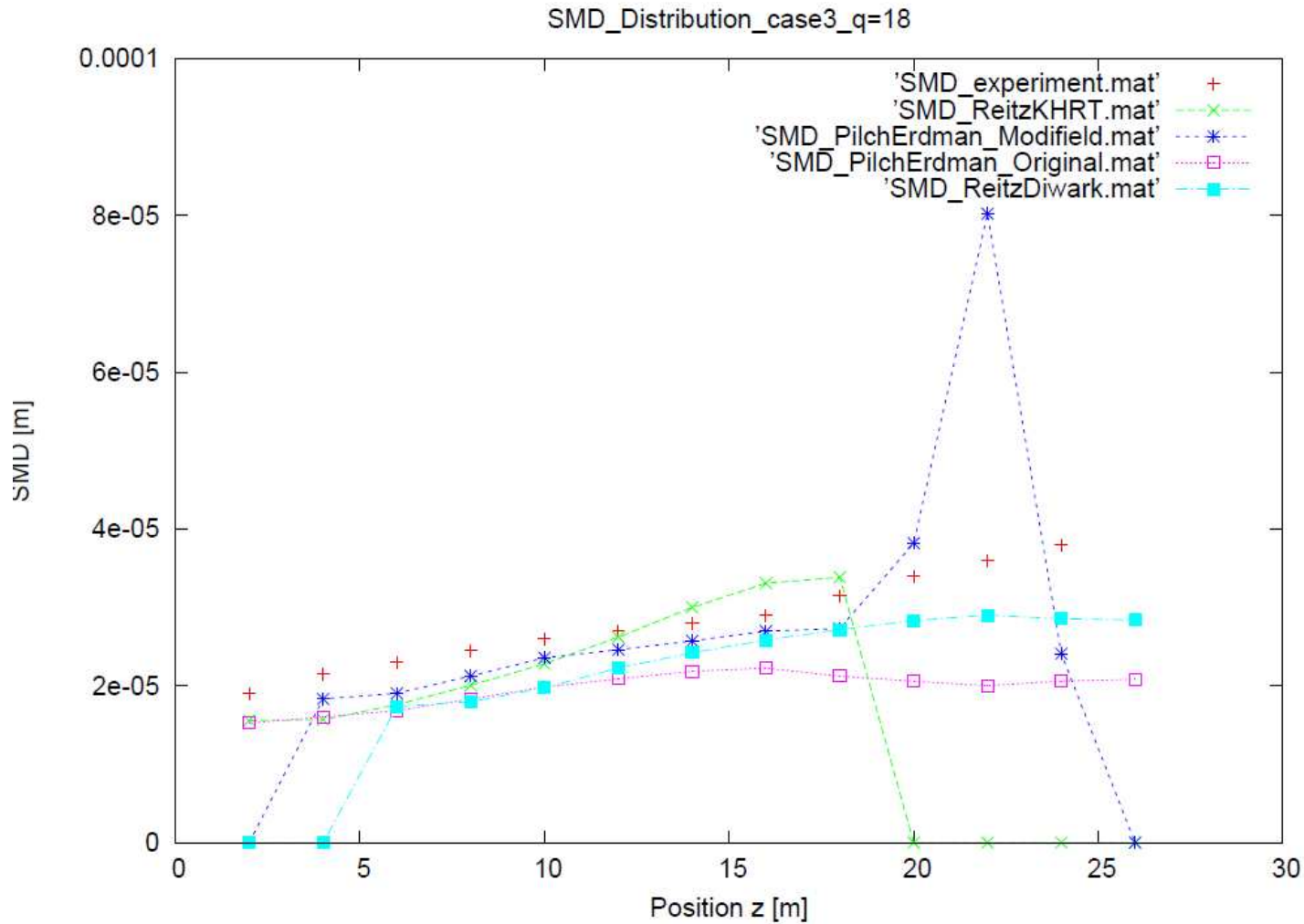
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InjectionModel	coneInjection RRD	coneInjection const. diameter	coneInjection const. diameter	coneInjection const. diameter
AtomizationModel	BlobSheet	LISA	LISA	LISA

# Results LJCF-B3 at the channel outlet



► Channel height vs. Sauter mean diameter (SMD)

$$SMD = \frac{\sum n_i \cdot d_i^3}{\sum n_i \cdot d_i^2}$$

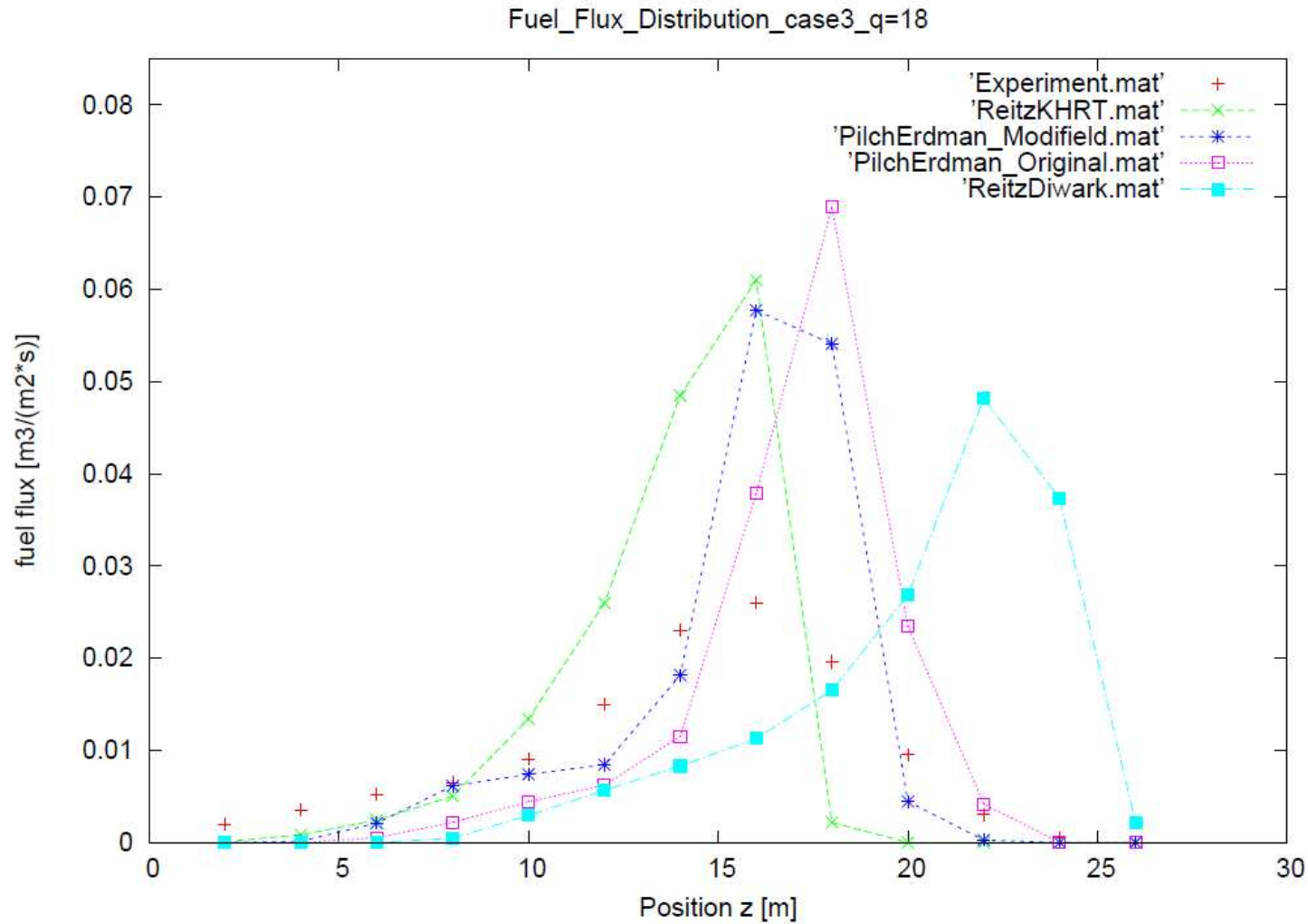


# Results LJCF-B1 at the channel outlet



► Channel height vs. fuel volume flux

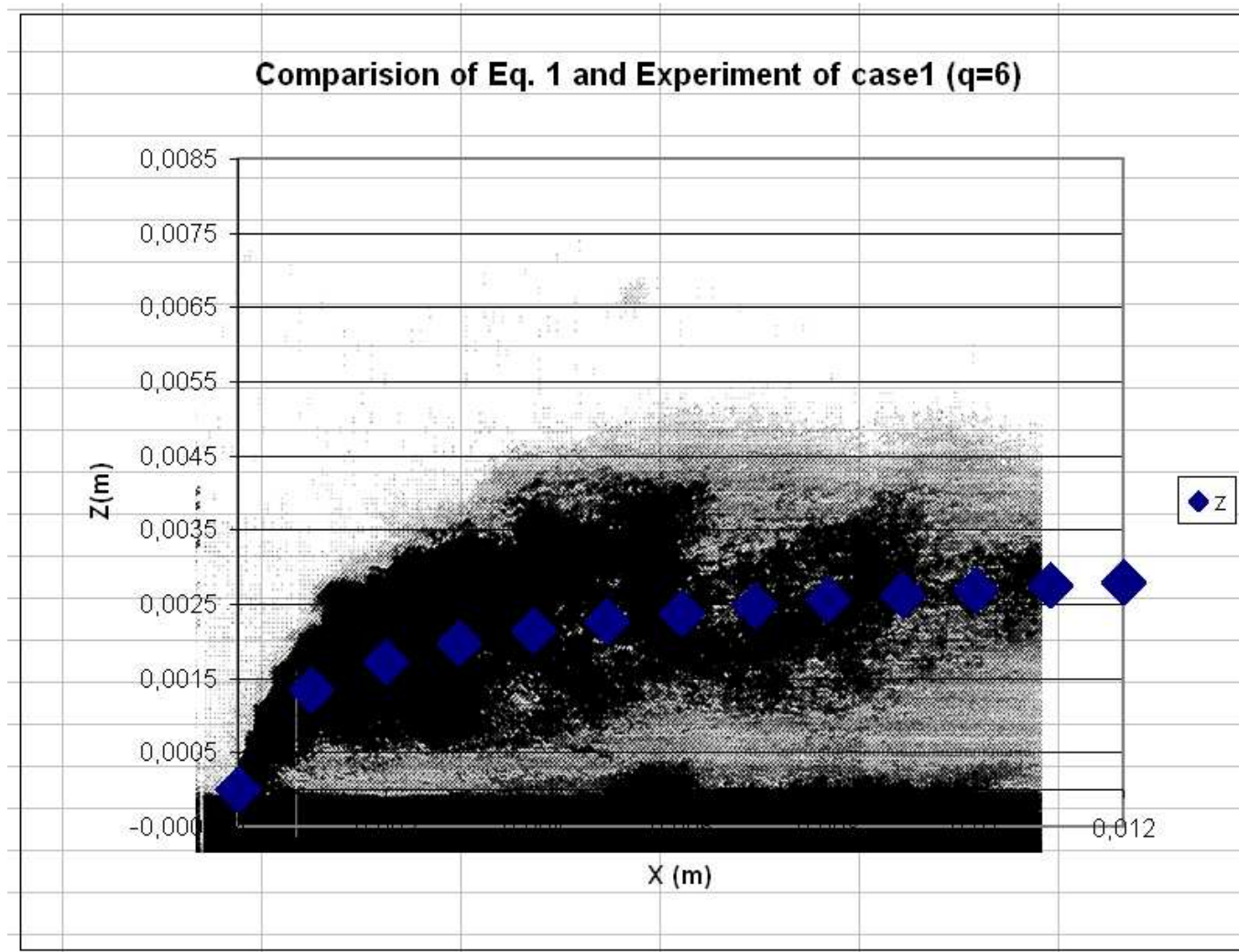
$$Fuel\_Flux = \frac{\sum n_i \cdot \frac{1}{6} \pi \cdot d_i^3}{Area \cdot \Delta t}$$



# Near field penetration LJCF-B

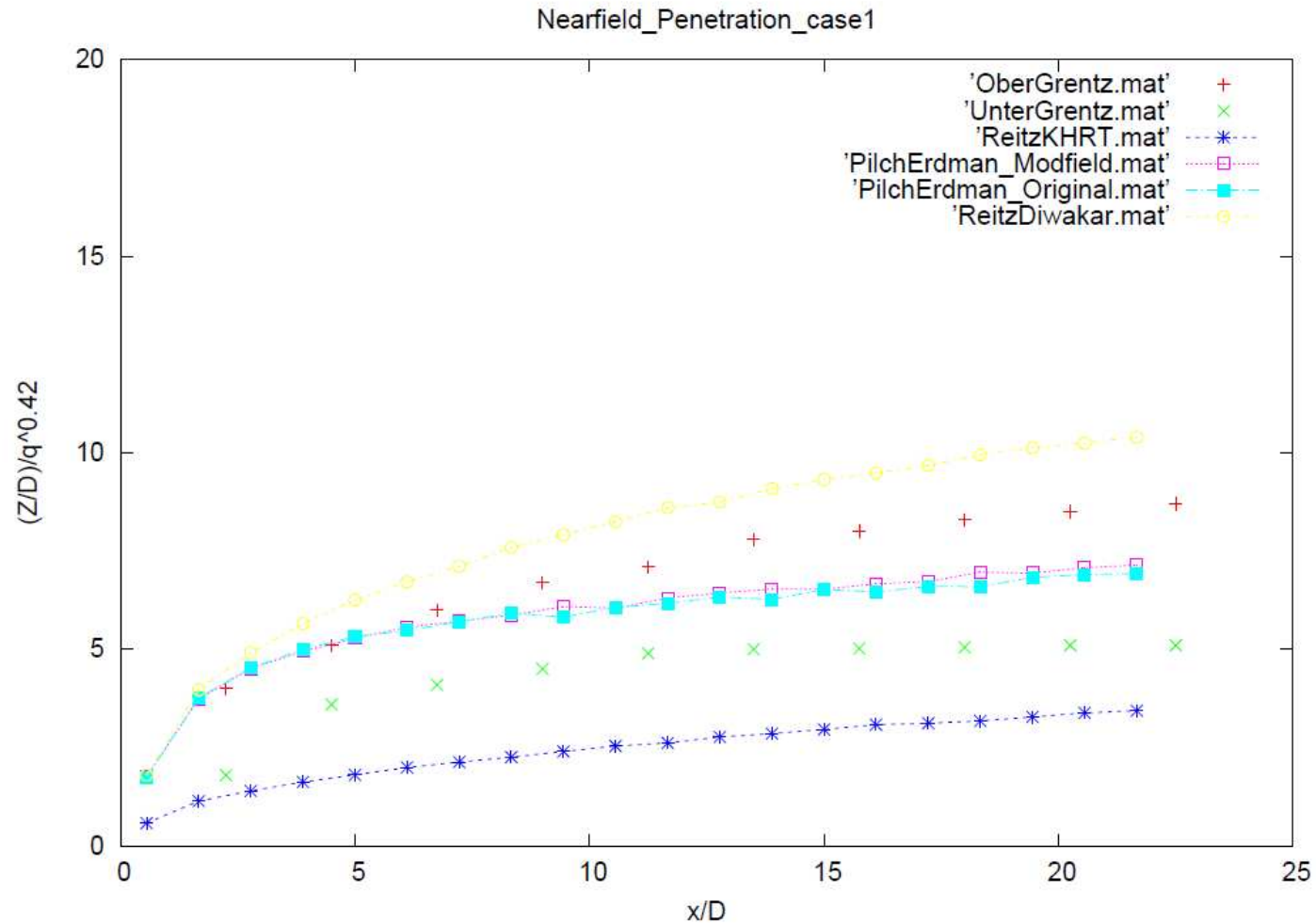


- Used the correlation shown below with min and max values



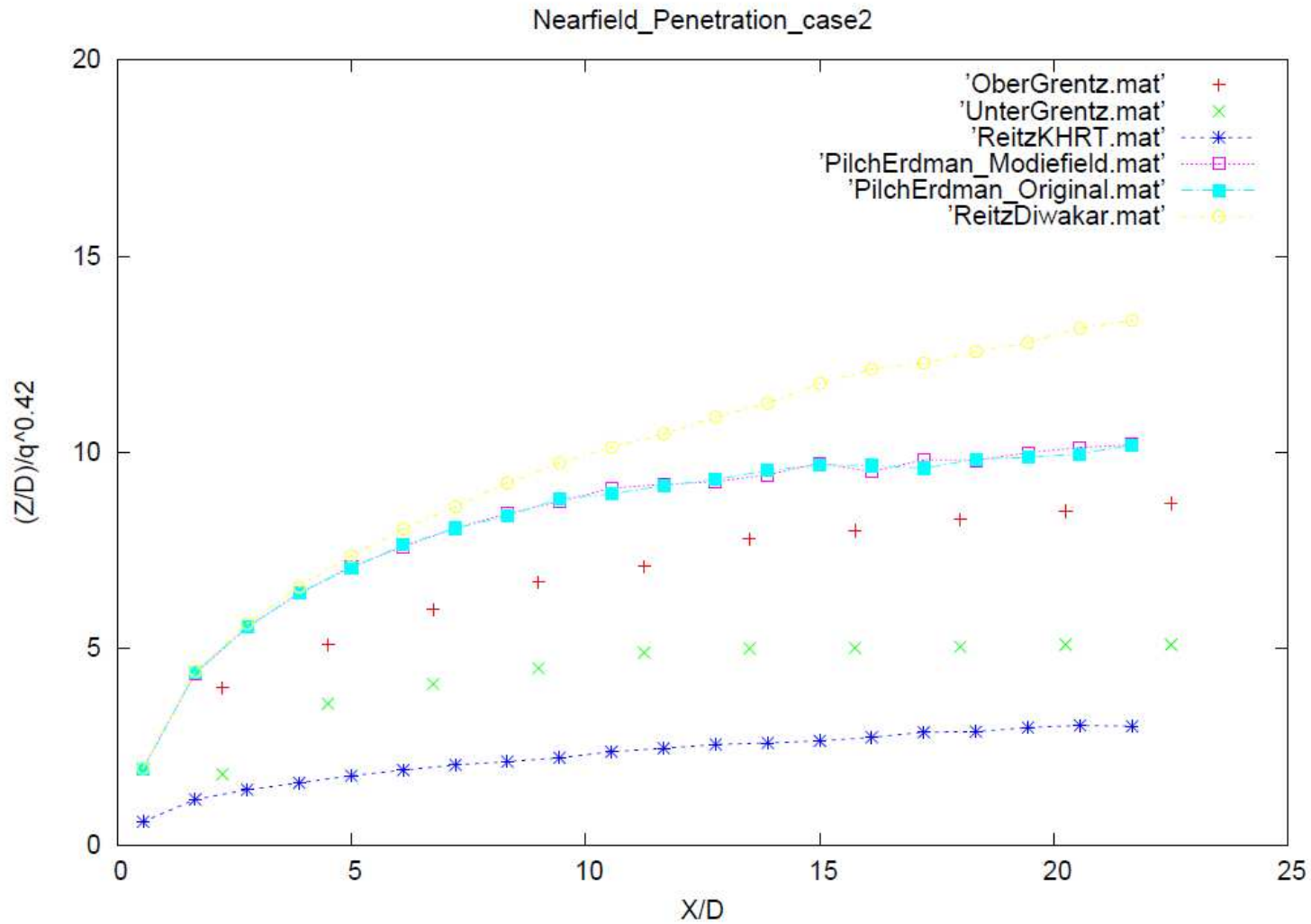
# Near field penetration LJCF-B1

## ► Near field penetration



# Near field penetration LJCF-B2

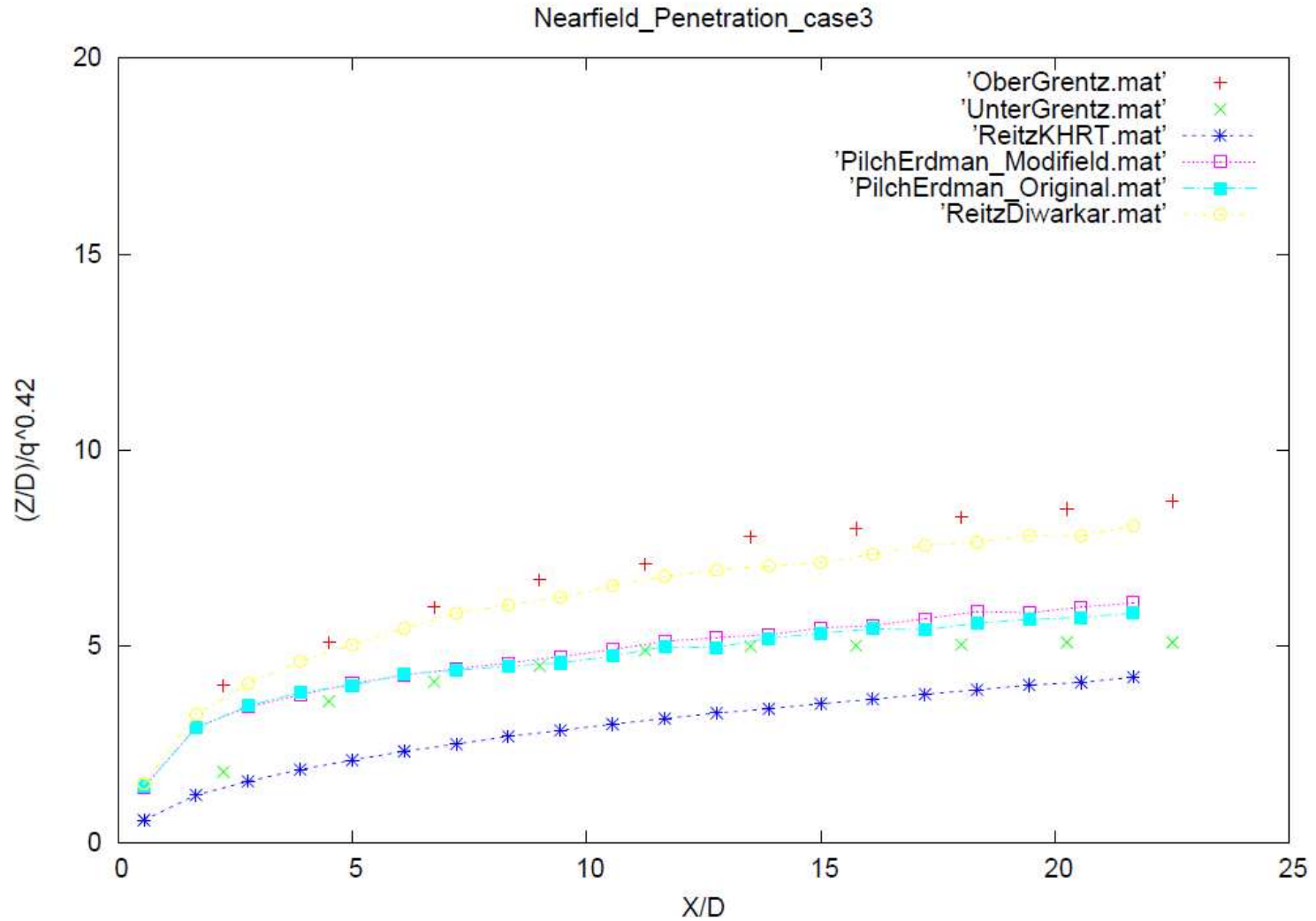
## ► Near field penetration



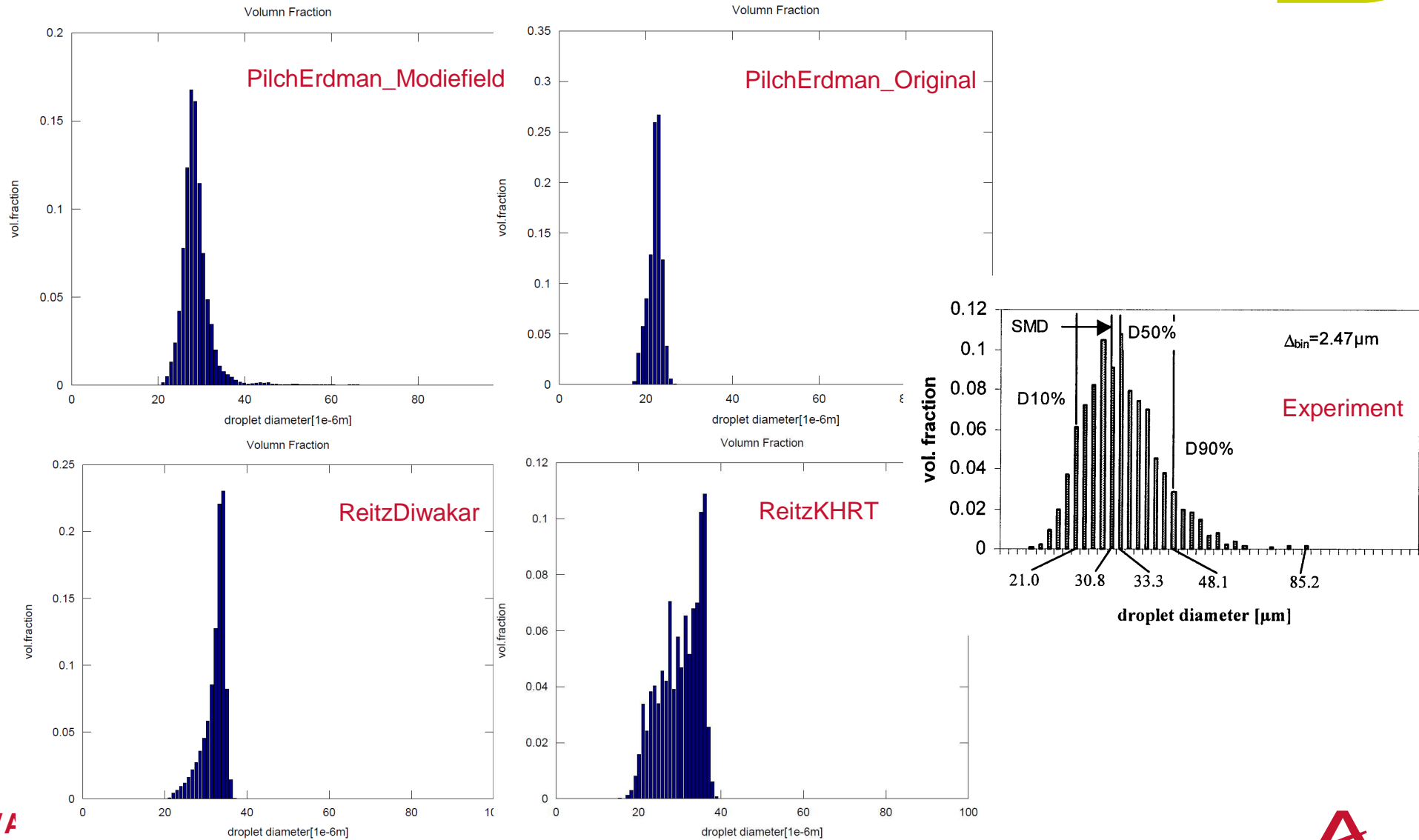
# Near field penetration LJCF-B3



## ► Near field penetration

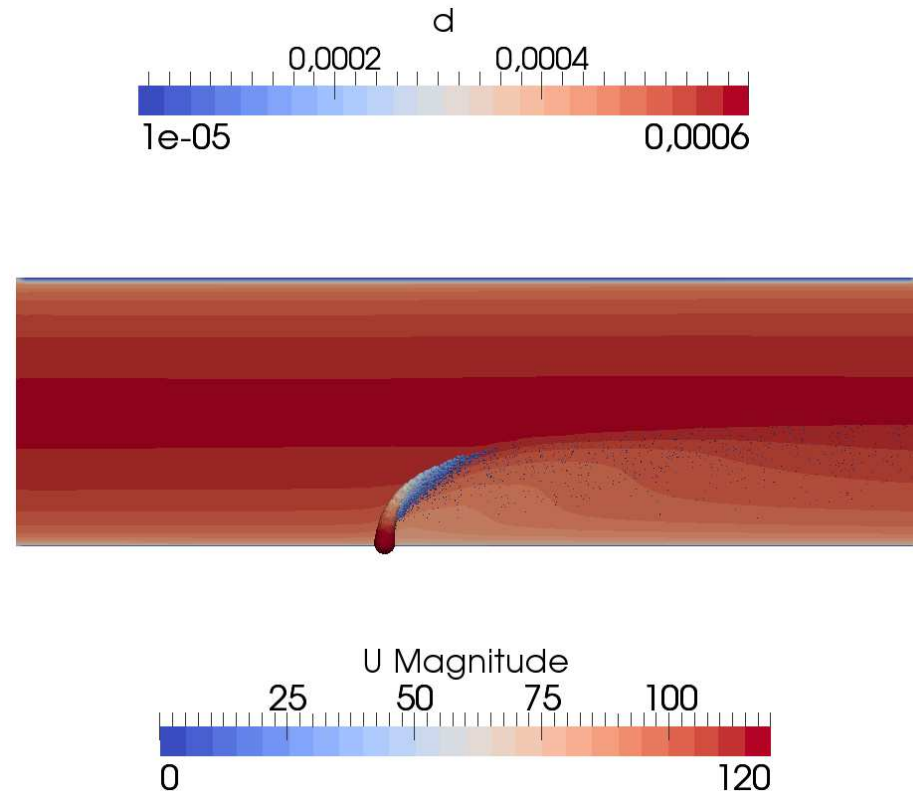


# Droplet size distribution at the outlet LJCF-B1



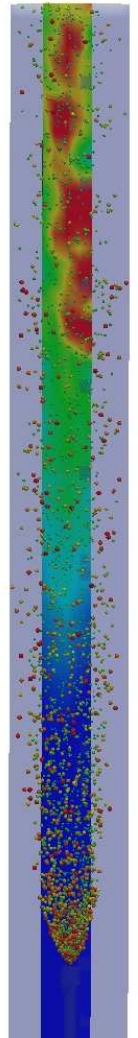
# Conclusion validation of LJCF


- ▶ Euler-Euler simulations with “quick” bubbleFoam simulation showed reasonable agreement
- ▶ Euler-Lagrange simulations showed good agreement but no model was able to fit all experiments perfectly
  - ◆ Particle size distribution was rendered best with extended Pilch Erdmann mod.
  - ◆ For penetration both Pilch Erdmann models did well
  - ◆ For higher  $q$  the quality of simulation results was better in general
  - ◆ LES techniques may achieve better results due to unsteady behavior



# Summary

- ▶ Many tasks within AREVA technical center can be done with the OpenFOAM toolbox
- ▶ Thin film module introduced with OpenFOAM 2.0.x shows promising results for a in house case
- ▶ LJCF simulations showed good agreement with results from literature





# **End of presentation: AREVA thermo hydraulic testing capabilities and related OpenFOAM analysis**

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