



# Partial Oxidation Gas Turbine for Power and Hydrogen/Syngas Co-Production

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# Outline

- > POGT development
- > POGT for power generation
- > POGT for hydrogen/syngas and electricity generation
- > POGT for high-temperature industrial furnaces
- > POGT-based CCHP

# Project Sponsors and Partners

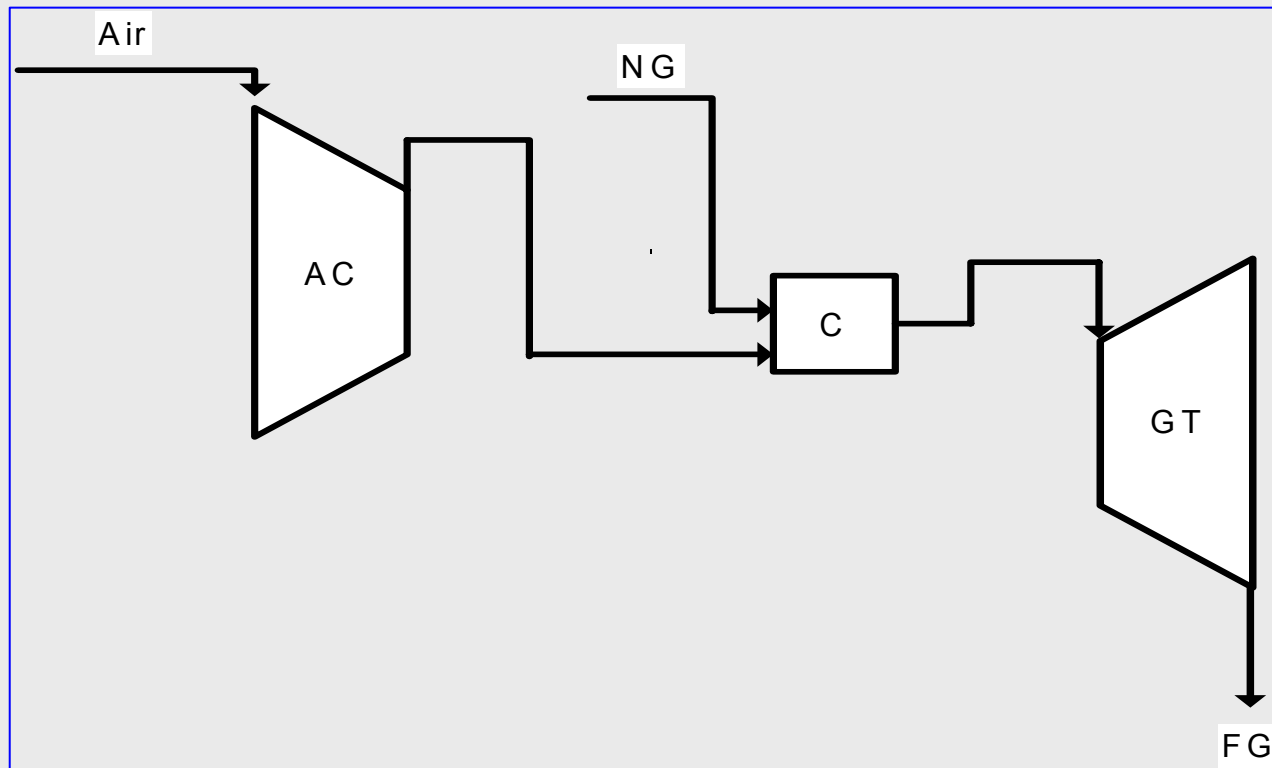
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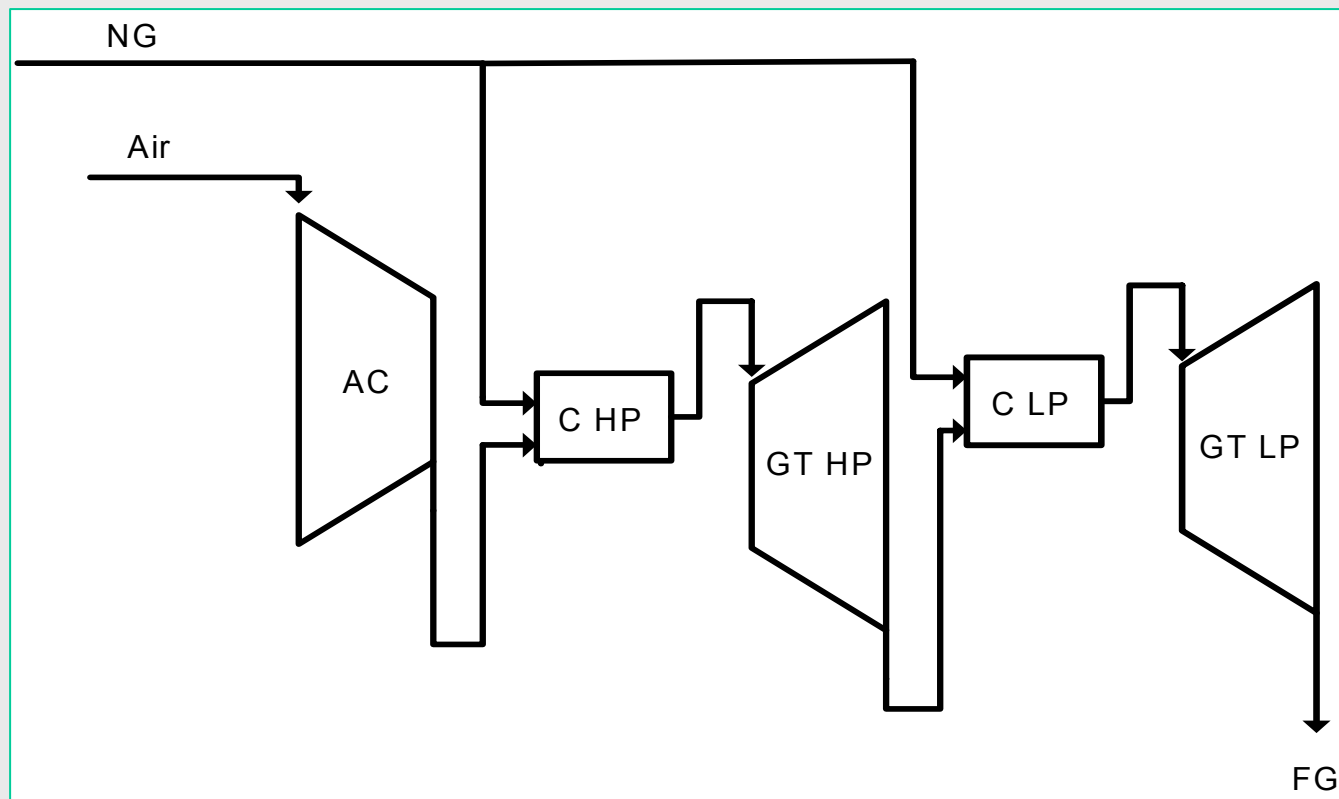
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Development of a Partial  
Oxidation Gas Turbine for  
Electricity and H<sub>2</sub>-Enriched Fuel  
Production

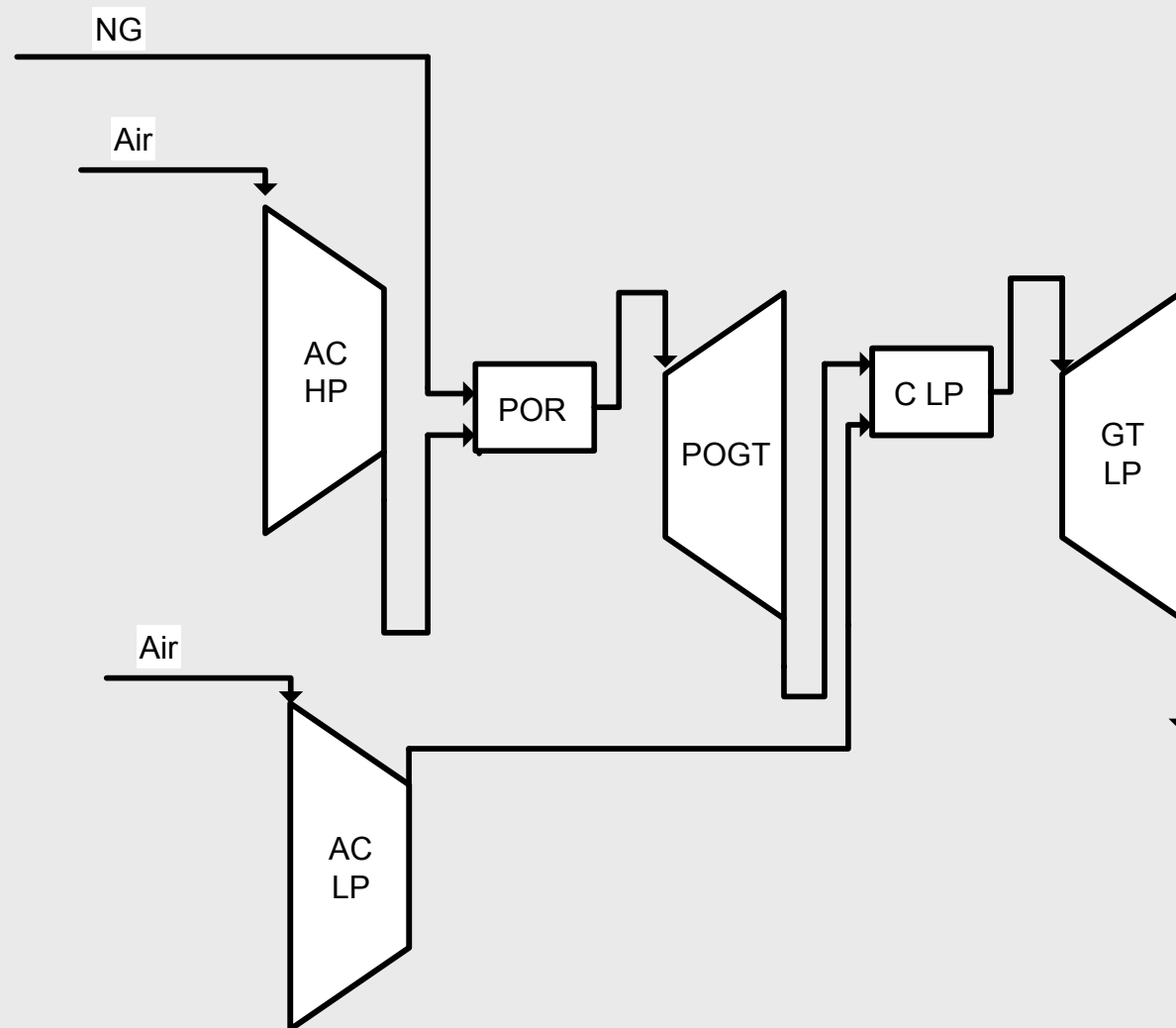
# Conventional Gas Turbine



# Reheat Gas Turbine



# Partial Oxidation Gas Turbine in a Two-Stage Gas Turbine



# IVTAN System Test Results

- > Power output, MWe 60
- > Inlet pressure, atm 4.8
- > Outlet pressure, atm 1.2
- > Inlet rotor temperature, °C 550
- > Flow rate, kg/s 62.0
- > Composition of working fluids, vol.%

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| H <sub>2</sub>   | 14       |
| CO               | 21       |
| CO <sub>2</sub>  | 21       |
| H <sub>2</sub> O | 2        |
| N <sub>2</sub>   | 59       |
| <u>Other</u>     | <u>1</u> |
|                  | 100      |



# Goals for Natural Gas Fired Partial Oxidation Gas Turbine Systems

- > System Efficiencies (%LHV) up to:
  - 55% electrical efficiency for steam injection simple cycles
  - 75% electrical efficiency for POGT/FC hybrid
  - 88% fuel to electricity efficiency in cogeneration
  - 90% thermal efficiency for distributed multi-power generation
- > Ultra-low emissions:
  - $\text{NO}_x < 2 \text{ vppm @ } 15\% \text{ O}_2$ , no catalytic treatment

# Major Characteristics and Issues of POGT System

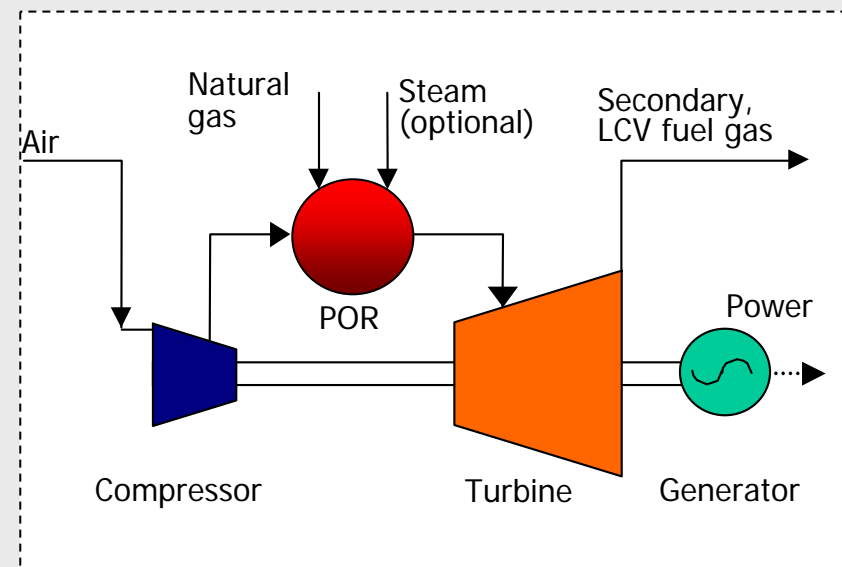
- > Operation on sub stoichiometric combustion products
- > Production of H<sub>2</sub>-enriched fuel / syngas
- > Low air compressor power required
- > Utilization of non-oxidizing media (steam, flue gases, etc.) for combustor and turbine cooling
- > Soot formation
- > Hydrogen embrittlement

# POGT Overview

> An advanced gas turbine-based systems for on-site co-production of:

- Power
- A hydrogen-rich fuel gas, syngas
- Compressed air
- Hydrogen (where needed, after additional downstream processing and purification of the exhausted fuel gas)

> Platform provides a flexible ratio of generated power and fuel gas production in highly efficient and cost effective manner for different applications



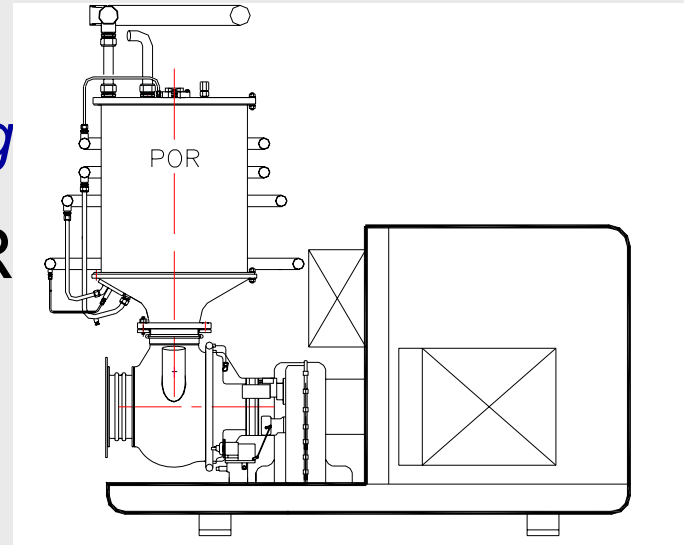
# POGT Development Status

- > Construction of POGT Test Cell at GTI's Energy Campus - *completed*
- > Design, Fabrication & Installation of a 7 MWth Prototype POR Unit - *completed*
- > Design & Conversion of a Prototype 200 kW Spartan Generator Unit for POGT Operation – *completed*



# POGT Development Status

- > POR Unit Parametric and Start-up Testing – *finishing*
- > Design and Integrate POR with converted Spartan Turbine Unit – *ongoing*
- > POGT-Spartan unit installation, shakedown and parametric testing – *1<sup>st</sup> Qtr of 2007*
- > Feasibility Design Study of retrofit an existing gas turbine to POGT duty – *ongoing*

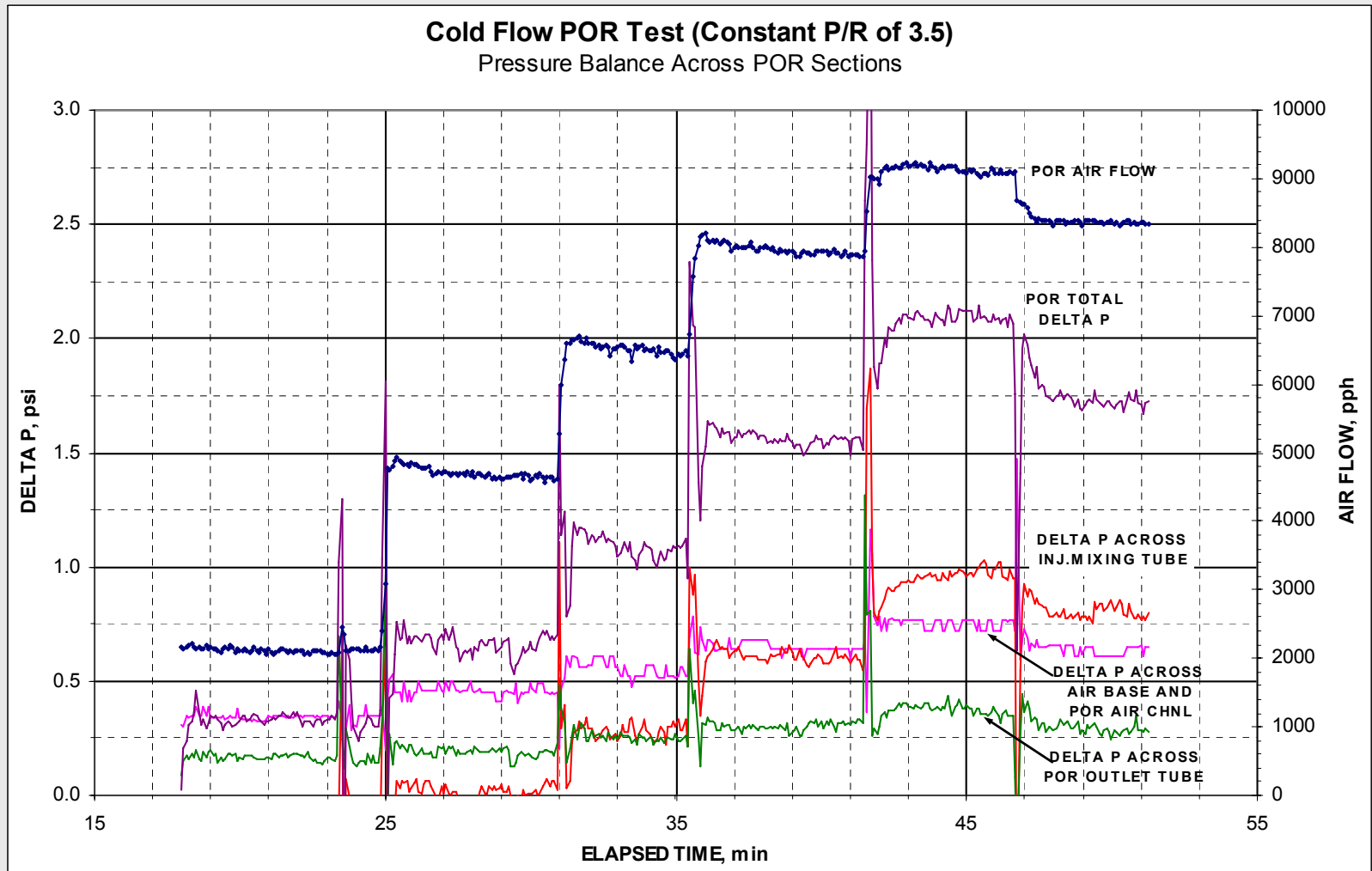


# POR Testing Outline

- > Cold tests
- > Torch ignition
- > Light-off
- > Lean operation up to 6 MMBtu/h
- > Conversion from lean to rich
- > Rich operation up to 16 MMBtu/h

# POR Testing Cold Tests

**Cold Flow POR Test (Constant P/R of 3.5)**  
Pressure Balance Across POR Sections



# POR Testing Torch Ignition

- > Torch ignition was tested at the following conditions:
  - With and w/o air flow through POR
  - Air/inert gas (N<sub>2</sub> and/or steam) mixture in the POR
  - Inert gas only(N<sub>2</sub> and/or steam, and no air) in the POR
- > Stable ignition and operation was achieved at all above conditions
- > Torch flame heat input ~120 kBtu/h at selected air and NG parameters

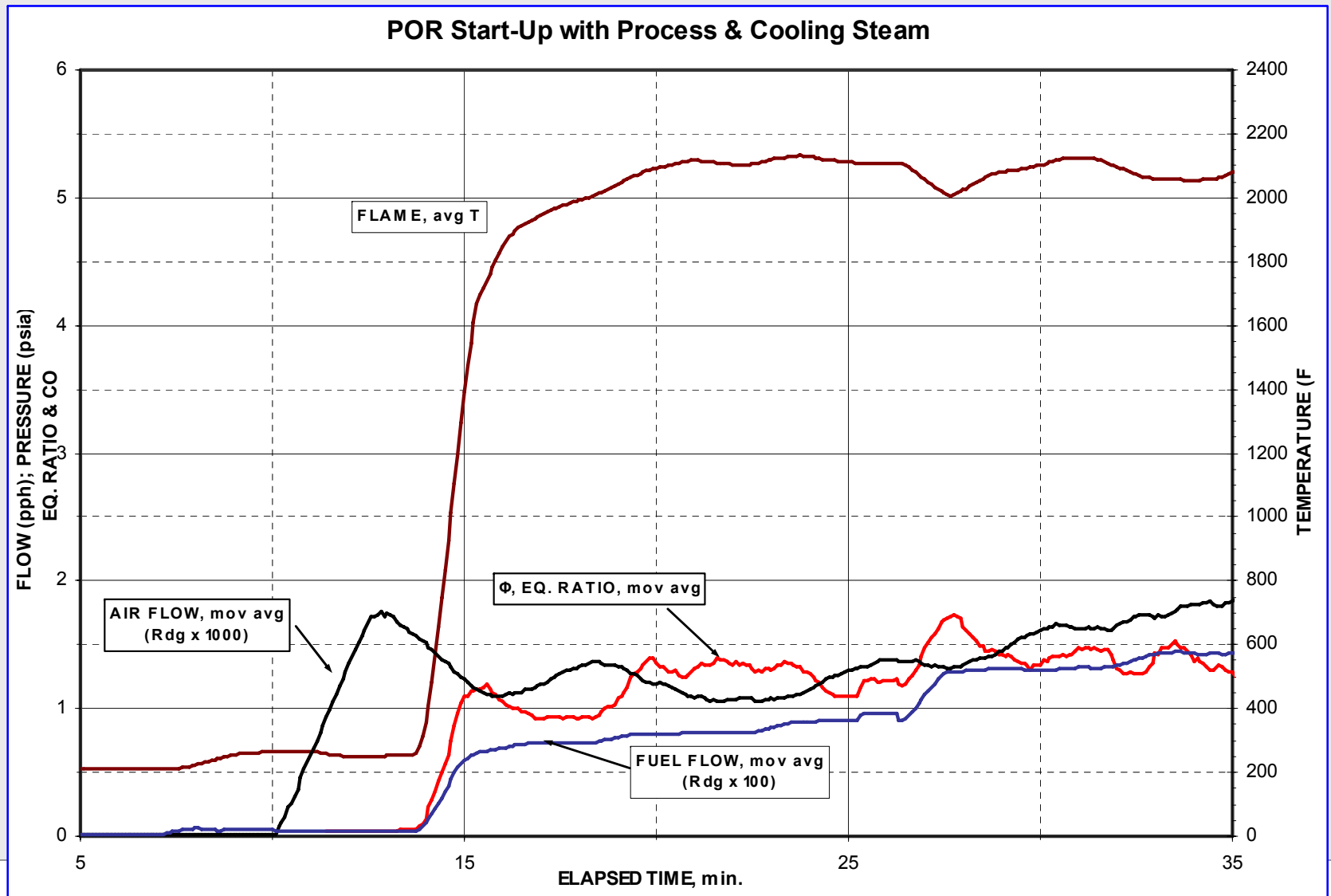


# POR Testing

## Light-Off

- > Stable light-off was achieved at the following conditions:
  - Air flow rate 15 – 40 ppm
  - NG flow rate 0.8 – 1.5 ppm
  - Fuel/air ER 0.4 – 0.9
  - Inert gas (N<sub>2</sub> and/or steam) flow rate 2 – 10 ppm

# POR Start-Up



# POR Testing

## Lean Operation

- > Lean operation was tested at the following conditions:
  - Air flow rate 20 – 70 ppm
  - NG flow rate 1.0 – 4.5 ppm
  - Fuel/air ER 0.4 – 0.9
  - Inert gas (N<sub>2</sub> and/or steam) flow rate 3 – 30 ppm
- > Lean operation before conversion to rich :
  - Air 35 ppm; NG 1.5 ppm; Steam 25 ppm;  
ER 0.95

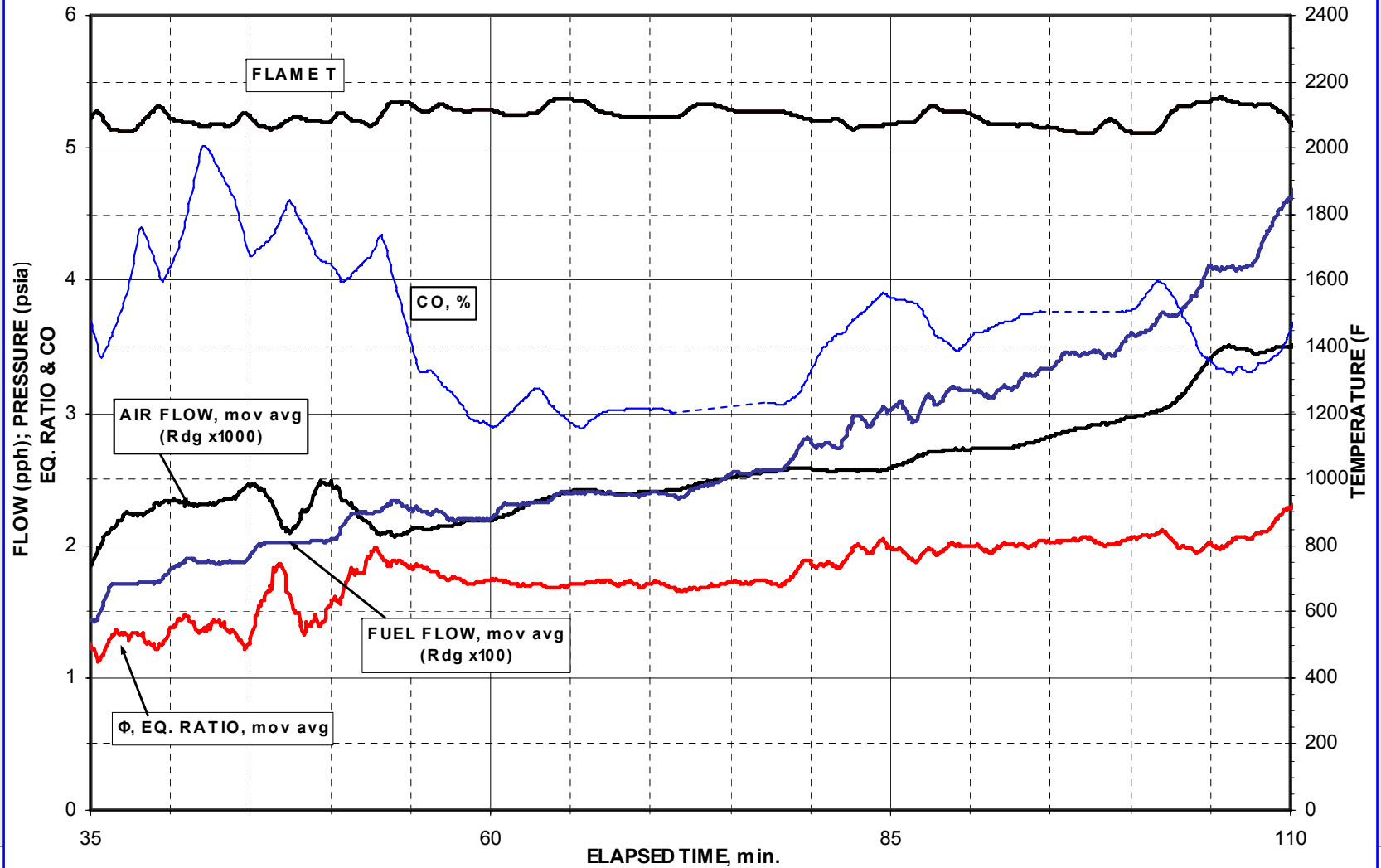
# POR Testing

## Rich Operation

- > Rich operation was tested at the following conditions:
  - Air flow rate 30 – 85 ppm
  - NG flow rate 2.0 – 12 ppm
  - Fuel/air ER 1.5 – 4.3
  - Inert gas (N<sub>2</sub> and/or steam) flow rate 5 – 40 ppm

# POR Loading

## POR Loading with Process & Cooling Steam



# POR Exhaust Gas Composition

|                                                    | Mol%  | Mol%  | Mol%  |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Hydrogen (H <sub>2</sub> )                         | 5.70  | 8.18  | 11.14 |
| Oxygen/Argon                                       | 2.15  | 2.49  | 0.99  |
| Nitrogen (N <sub>2</sub> )                         | 77.30 | 73.98 | 69.30 |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO)                               | 4.76  | 6.86  | 8.81  |
| Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )                         | 2.21  | 2.23  | 6.06  |
| Carbon Dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )                  | 7.64  | 5.98  | 2.71  |
| Ethylene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> )          | 0.141 | 0.058 | 0.161 |
| Ethane (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> )            | 0.024 | 0.043 | 0.011 |
| Propane (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> )           |       |       | 0.125 |
| Acetylene (C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> , ethyne) | 0.119 | 0.178 | 0.672 |
| i-pentane (C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> )        |       |       | 0.009 |
| hexane (C <sub>6</sub> +)                          | 0.004 |       |       |
| Total                                              | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
|                                                    |       |       |       |
| HHV, Btu/cf (calc)                                 | 60.9  | 75.7  | 142.5 |
|                                                    |       |       |       |
| EQ. RATIO (Φ)                                      | 1.34  | 2.62  | 3.45  |
| PR                                                 | 2.5   | 3.20  | 3.01  |
| Flame Temperature, °F                              | 1901  | 1998  | 2009  |
| Firing Rate, MMBtu/h                               | 5.14  | 8.84  | 8.40  |

# POR Testing Findings

- > Confirmed POR test rig mechanical integrity and operation readiness for required air, fuel, steam and N2 flow rates
- > Determined process conditions and protocol for reliable light-off at different air, fuel, steam and/or N2 flow rates
- > Achieved stable lean operation up to 6 MMBtu/h firing rate
- > Transitioned from lean to rich combustion mode in POR and achieved stable operation at ER of 1.5 – 4.3
- > Achieved stable rich operation up to 16 MMBtu/h

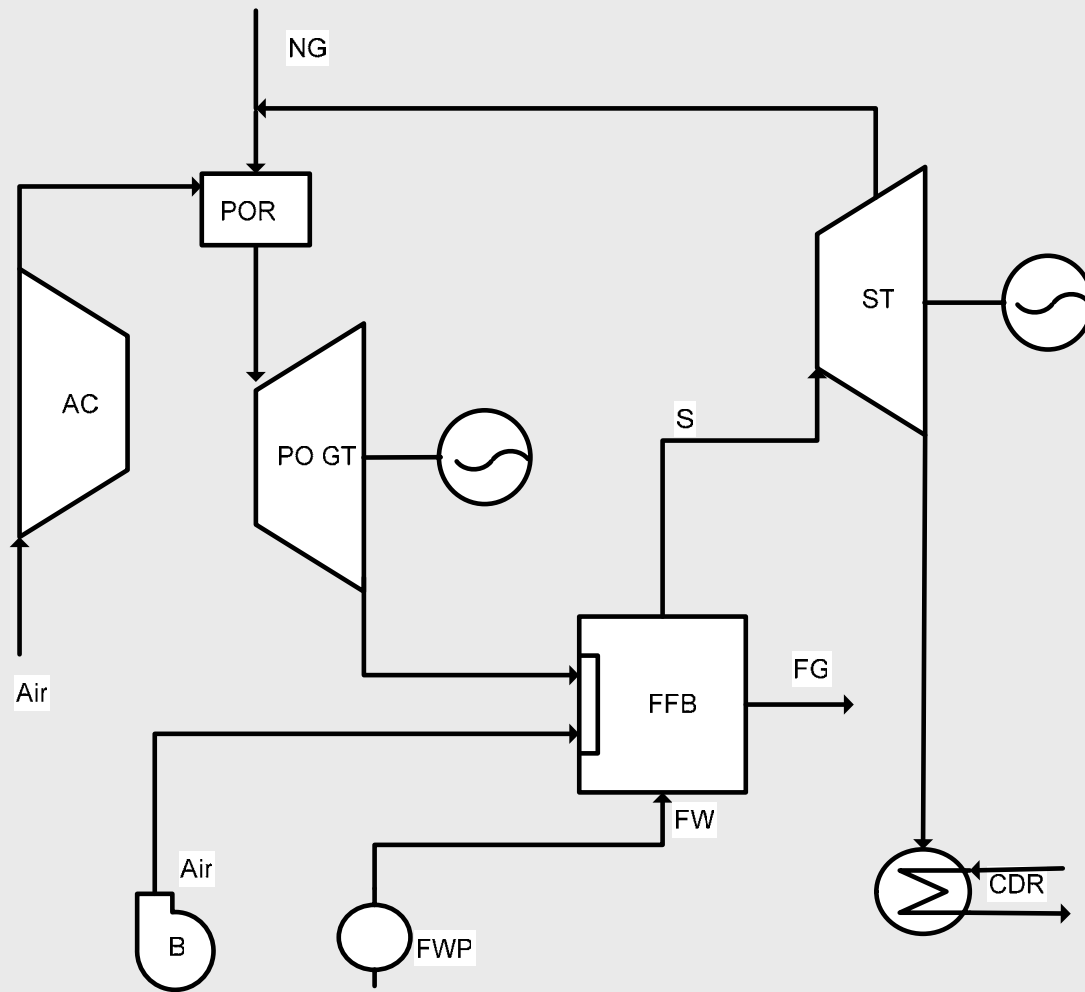
# Areas of POGT Applications

- > Power generation, cogeneration, multi-power generation utilizing
  - Gas turbines
  - Internal combustion engines
  - Fuel cells: POGT/SOFC Hybrid
- > Co-Production of Power and Hydrogen/Syngas
  - Remote self-powered units
  - Distributed Hydrogen and Power generation
- > Industrial cogeneration
  - High temperature (glass, cement, chemicals, pyrometallurgy, incineration, etc.)
  - Medium temperature (aluminum, direct ore reduction, heat treatment, etc.)
  - Boilers, process heaters, chillers

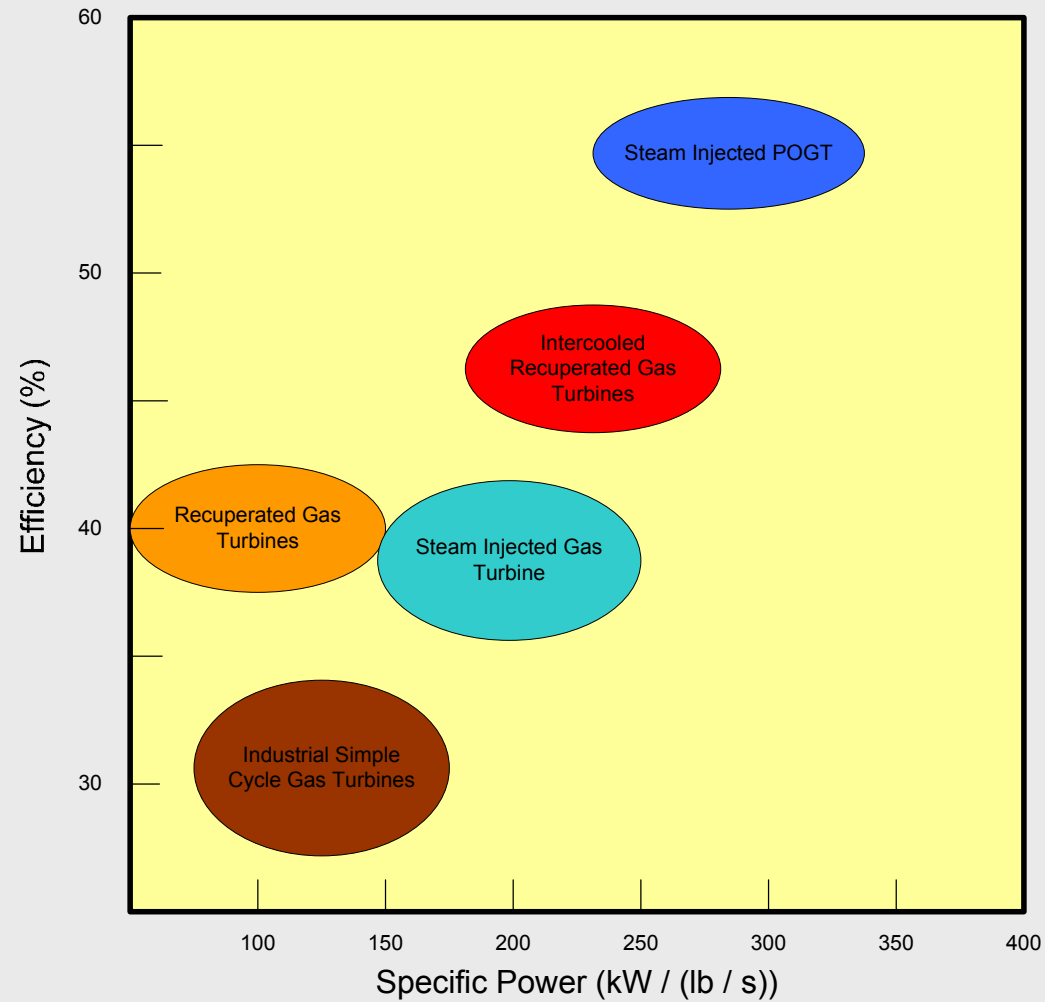


# #2 POGT for Power Generation

# Single Stage POGT in a Combined Cycle with a FFB

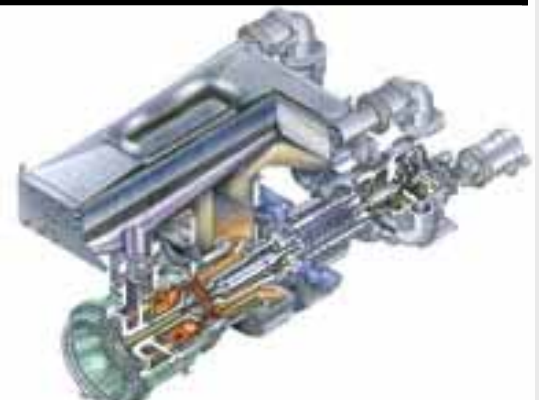
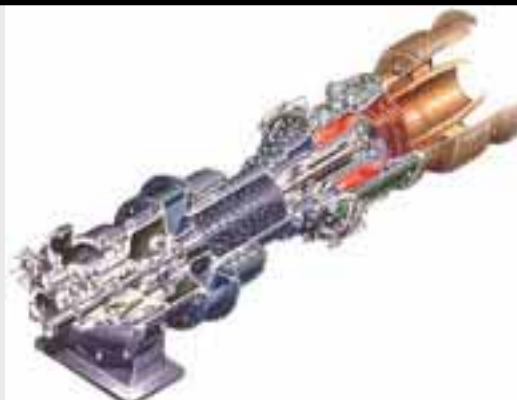


# Performance Comparison of Steam Injected POGT and Other Advanced Cycles



# Solar's Product Line Turbines to be Operated in POGT Mode

| Engine Model | Power kW <sub>e</sub> | Compr-r Work, kW | Turbine Power kW | Exh. Flow, lb/h | Exh. T, °F | Eff., % |
|--------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|---------|
| Spartan 350  | 200                   | 518              | 734              | 20,860          | 1,165      | 15.5    |
| Centaur 40   | 3,520                 | 5,960            | 9,750            | 147,720         | 820        | 27.9    |
| Mercury 50   | 4,600                 | 4,980            | 10,100           | 139,710         | 725        | 38.0    |



# Efficiency Comparison of Solar's Turbines Operated in Design Condition and POGT Mode

| Engine Model | Eff., % | Eff. POGT, % |
|--------------|---------|--------------|
| Spartan 350  | 15.5    | 25.0         |
| Centaur 40   | 27.9    | 42.9         |
| Mercury 50   | 38.0    | 52.0         |

# POGT /SOFC Hybrid Application, Combined Cycle

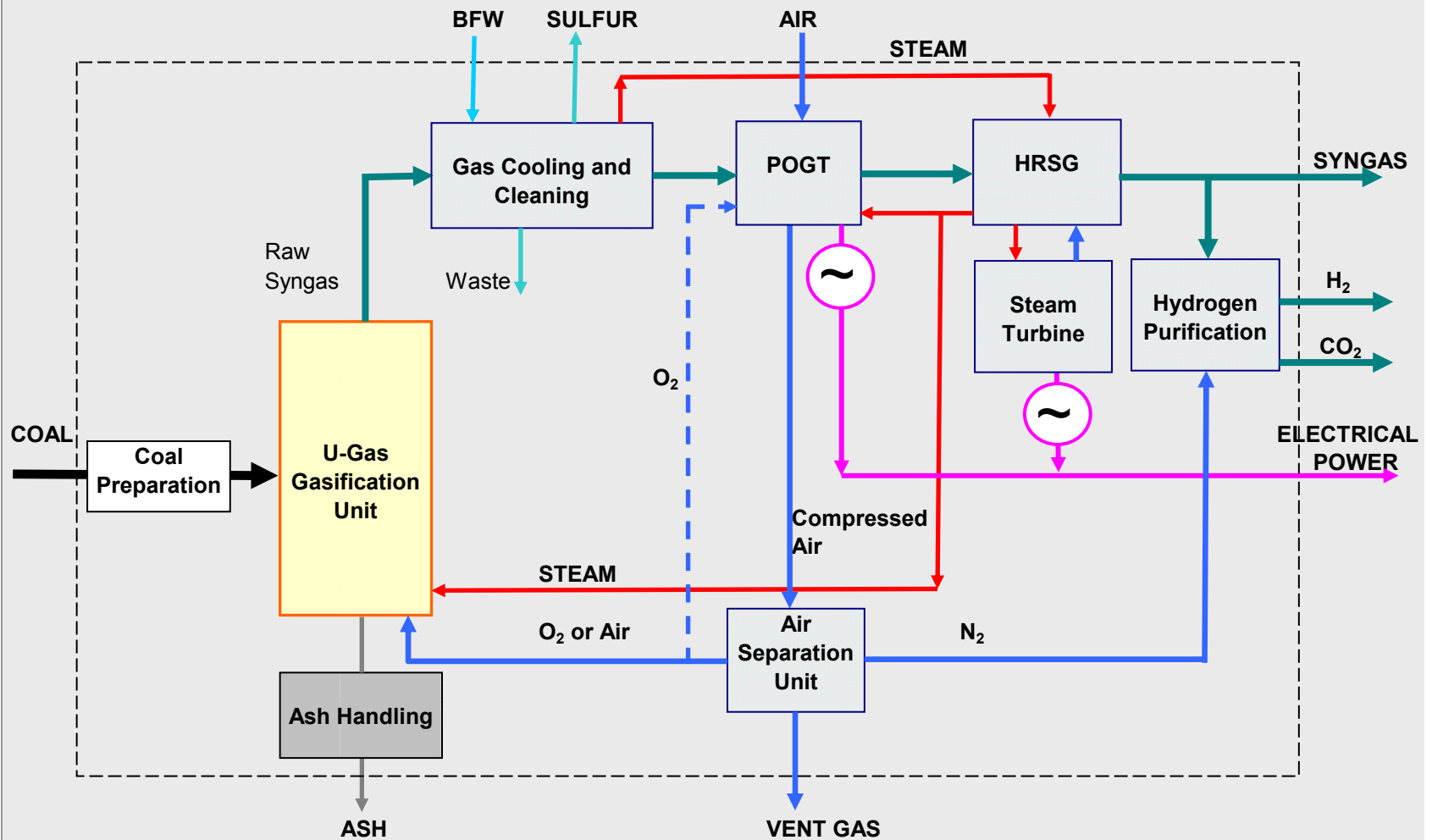
## Performance Summary for Conceptual POGT-SOFC System

|                                                       | Competitive<br>GT-FC | POGT-SOFC    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| System electrical efficiency, % LHV                   | 70                   | 78           |
| NO <sub>x</sub> emissions, @15% O <sub>2</sub> , vppm | <9                   | <2           |
| Excess air, %                                         | 260                  | 15           |
| Lean premixed combustion                              | required             | not required |
| GT and FC size for comparable power output            | 1.00                 | 0.83         |
| Power output split between GT and FC                  | 30/70                | 45/55        |
| Pre-reformer required for FC stack                    | Yes                  | No           |
| Production of H <sub>2</sub> -enriched gas            | No                   | Yes          |

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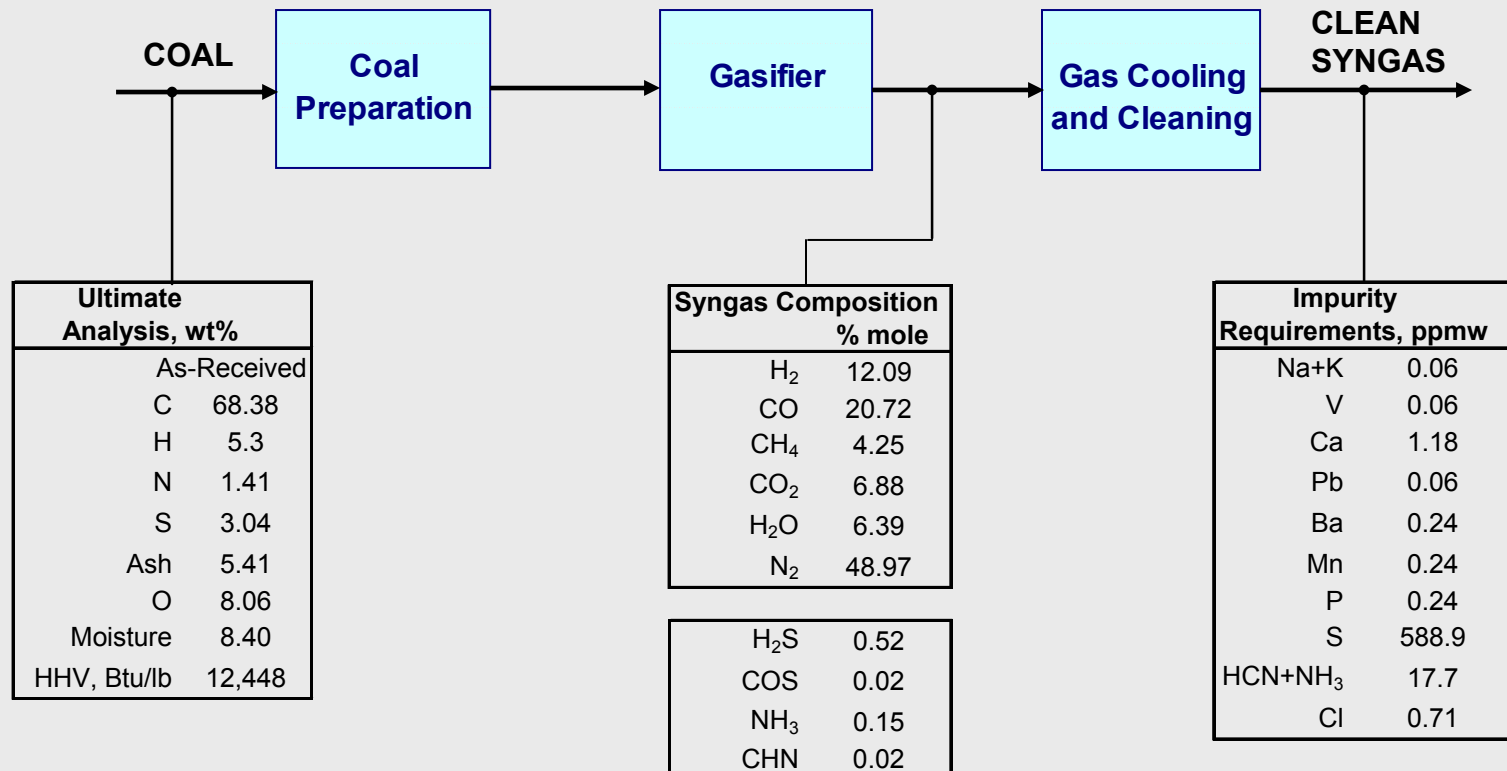
# POGT for Combined Hydrogen and Electricity Generation

# IGCC-POGT Plant Scheme for Power and Syngas/Hydrogen Co-Production from Coal

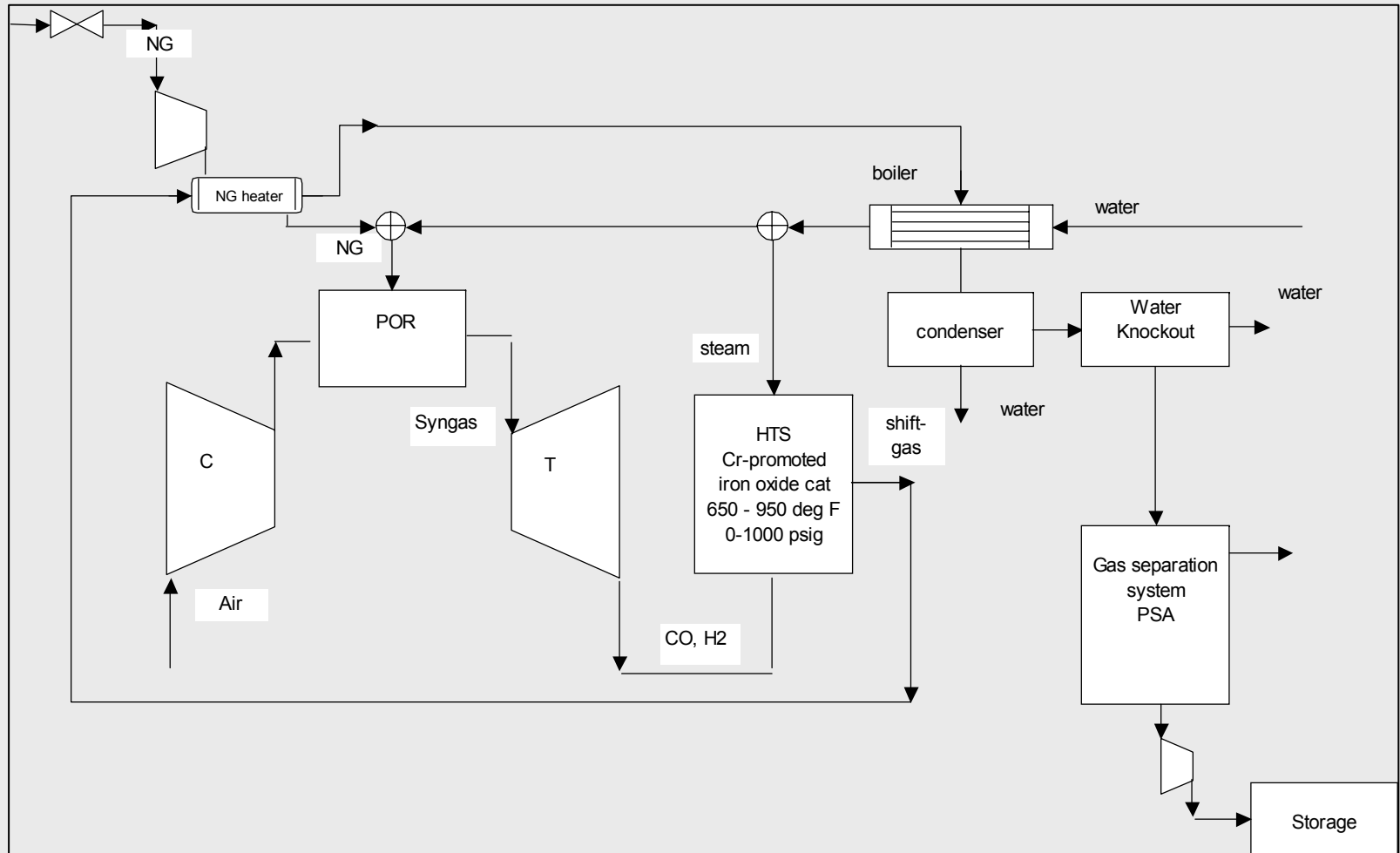




# IGCC-POGT Coal and Syngas Gas Composition



# POGT Based Hydrogen and Electricity Generation



# POGT Based Hydrogen and Electricity Generation

## Performance for Spartan and Centaur 40

|                          | Spartan | Centaur   |
|--------------------------|---------|-----------|
| NG, SCFH                 | 32,430  | 349,805   |
| Air, SCFH                | 106,955 | 1,153,658 |
| NG, LHV, mmBtu/hr        | 30      | 319       |
| POGT power, kW           | 427     | 6,944     |
| Hydrogen produced, Lb/hr | 452     | 4,879     |

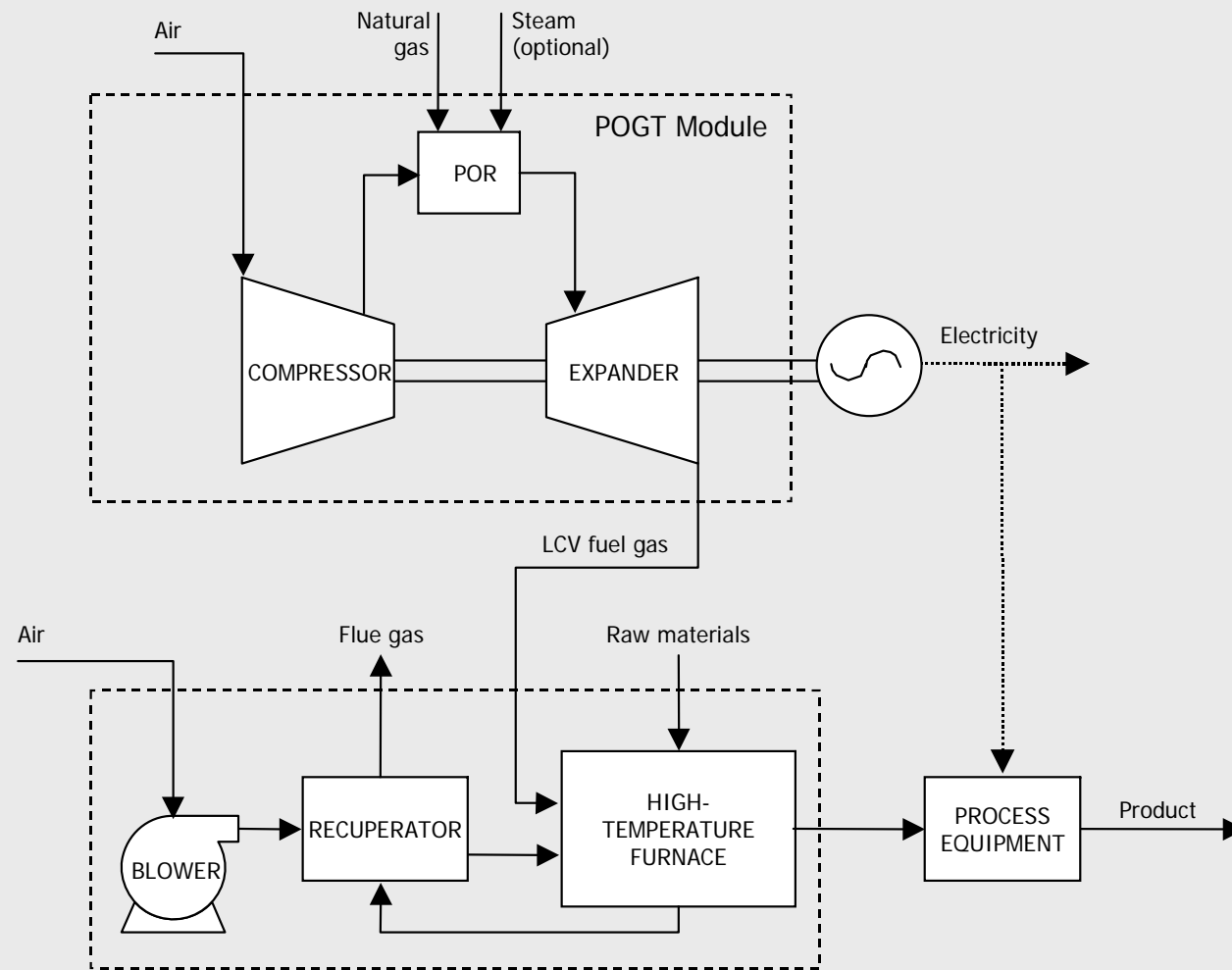
## Estimated costs for Spartan and Centaur 40

|                     |         | Spartan | Centaur |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Costs in \$/kg H2   | ATR/PSA | POR/PSA | POR/PSA |
| H2 cost             | 3.59    | 2.57    | 2.12    |
| Capital recovery    | 1.5     | 0.90    | 0.76    |
| Natural gas         | 1.17    | 1.11    | 0.83    |
| electricity         | 0.41    | 0.10    | 0.07    |
| O&M                 | 0.31    | 0.26    | 0.26    |
| Taxes and Insurance | 0.2     | 0.2     | 0.20    |

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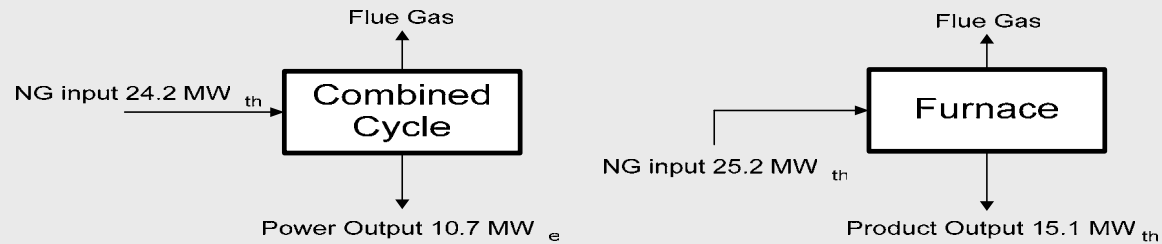
# POGT Cogeneration with High-Temperature Industrial Furnaces

# POGT-HTF Cogeneration Cycle

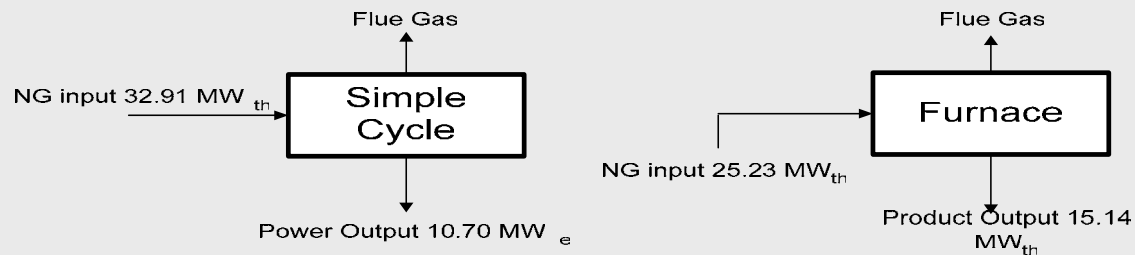


# Efficiency Advantage of POGT-HTF Cycle

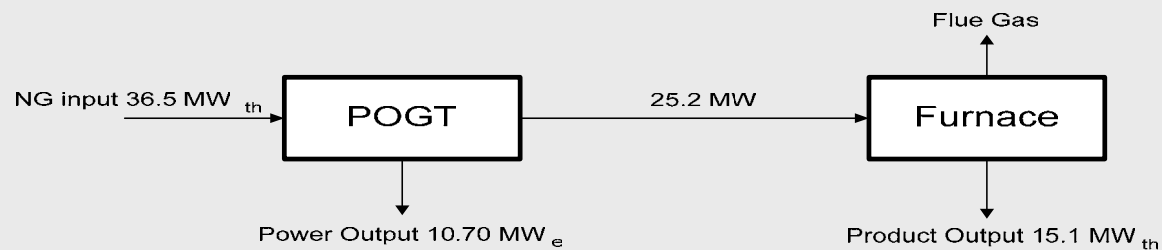
**Version 1:** Total NG input = 49.4 MW<sub>th</sub> Total System Efficiency = 52.3%



**Version 2:** Total NG input = 58.13 MW<sub>th</sub> Total System Efficiency = 44.43 %



**Version 3:** Total NG input = 36.5 MW<sub>th</sub> Total System Efficiency = 70.80 %



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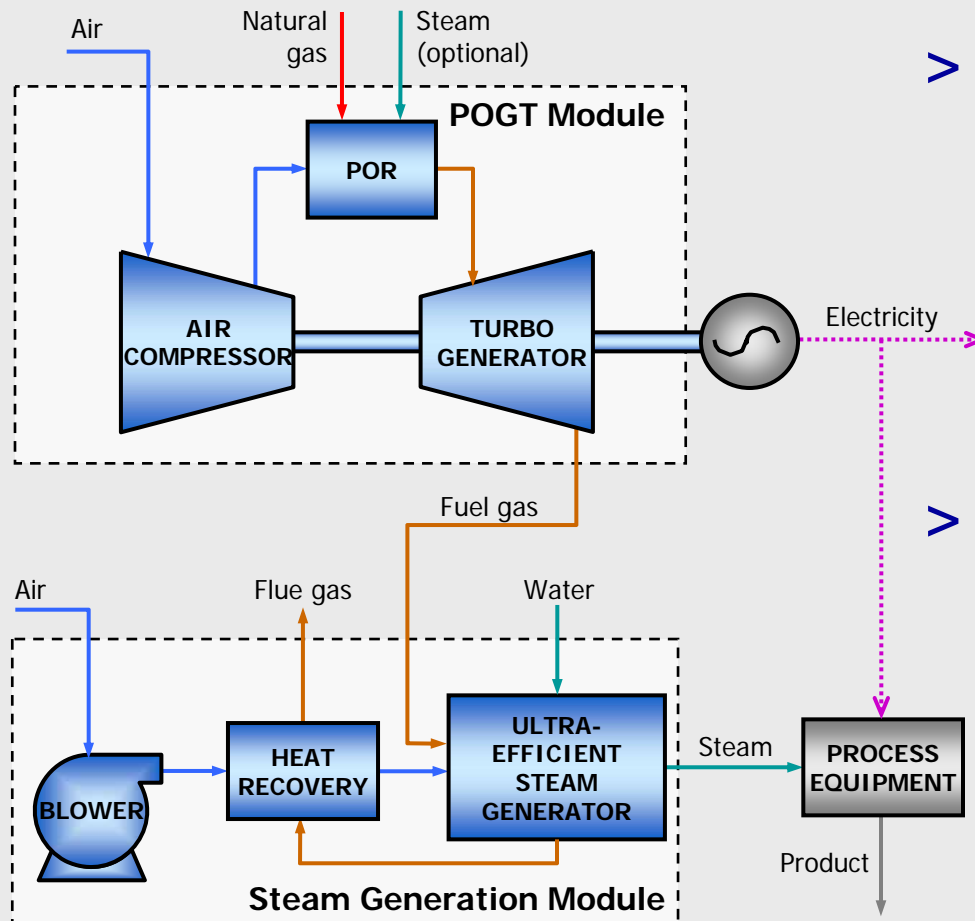
POGT Cogeneration with  
Steam or Hot Water Boilers,  
and/or Absorption Chillers

# POGT-CCHP Benefits

- > Partial Oxidation Gas Turbine (POGT) integrated with ultra-efficient boiler
- > Superior potential
  - Efficiency: up to 89% (HHV)
  - Emissions: less than 5 ppmv (@3% O<sub>2</sub>) NO<sub>x</sub> and CO
  - Flexibility: power/heat ratio from 0.2 to 1.2
  - Packaging: focus on pre-engineered packages in 0.4 to 15.0 MWe range



# POGT-CHP Cycle with Advanced Steam Generation



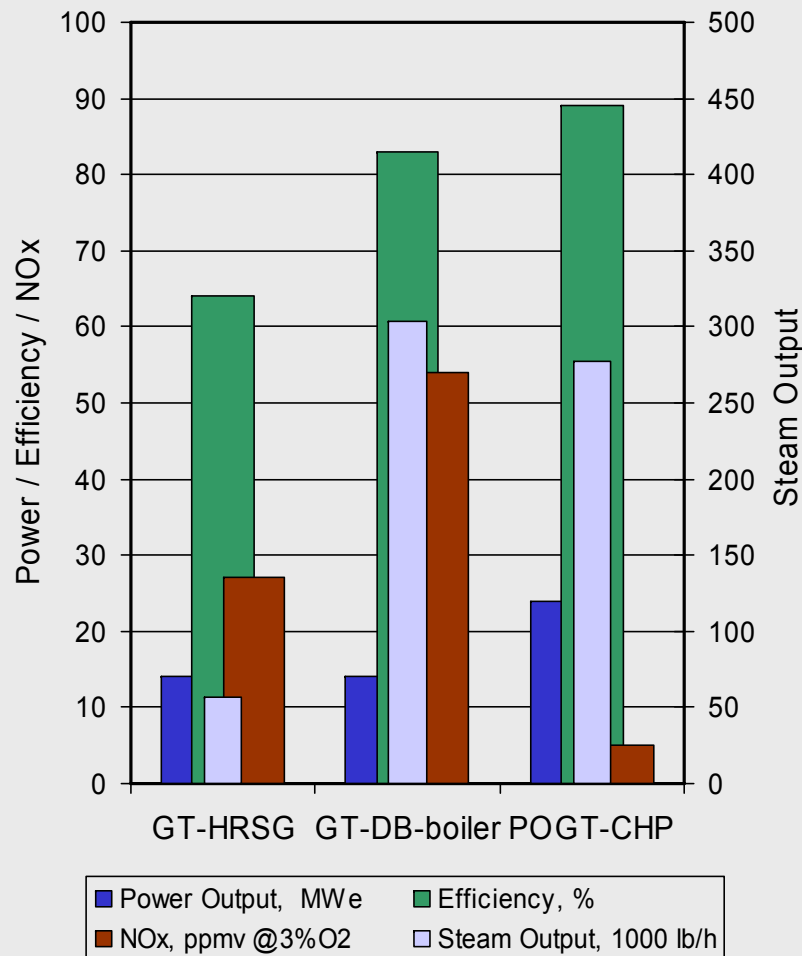
## > POGT module

- Non-catalytic POR
- Reduced compressor demand
- Extremely low NO<sub>x</sub> formation

## > Steam gen module

- POR exhaust gas burned to raise steam
- Low excess air
- Advanced heat recovery system

# POGT-CHP Comparison with Competing CHP Cycles



- > Comparison based on nominal 14-MW turbine
  - Efficiency
  - Emissions
  - Flexibility
- > Annual savings\*:
  - 35 trillion Btu
  - 2.0 million tons CO<sub>2</sub>
  - 11,000 tons NOx
  - \$238 million total cost savings

\* Based on 10% penetration of predicted CHP market by 2015