

#### ITER Data Requests

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## Motivation to access ITER information

- From the 2022 Fusion Energy Sciences Research Needs Workshop on the US ITER Research Program:
  - "ITER represents a massive investment by all of its members . . . and it will produce critical knowledge and experience in science, engineering, and technology that will apply directly to future fusion power plants." (pg. 6)
  - "With an aggressive US strategy, ITER will be complemented by a national program of fusion research and technology, technology roadmaps aimed towards commercial viability, active industrial partnerships, technology innovations, and first-phase design/construction of an FPP. Even in the most ambitious scenario, near-term ITER engineering and data will inform FPP component and concept design . . ." (pg. 9)
  - "ITER has necessitated the development of solutions for many challenges for the design of a steady-state fusion environment, such as steady state plasma heating, plasma control, radiation resistant diagnostics, managing the tritium fuel cycle, remote maintenance and inspection, plasma facing components, and many others.
  - "The US is responsible for 9% of the ITER construction scope, however, it is not clear that this knowledge is being effectively captured to **prepare for an FPP**." (pg. 14)



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## ITER data request project

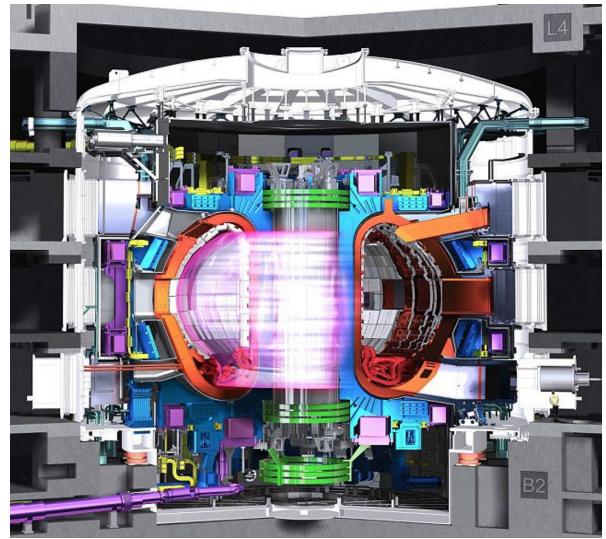
- ITER is the first magnetically confined nuclear fusion project to begin construction.
- We do not need to wait for operation to learn from ITER. There is significant information already available that would be useful to the larger fusion community.
  - Component and system design
  - Technology development and maturation
  - Assembly and installation
  - Planning for steady-state operation
  - Supply chain development and exploitation
- Private companies are submitting requests to access ITER documents.
- ORNL's Fusion Energy Division is developing a procedure to handle these requests in the future.



# Some questions

- How is a request submitted?
- Who is making the request?
- Where is the information found?
- What is the information? (doc#)?
- What can be shared (IP)?
- What can be shared (export control)?
- How is data shared with company?
- What protections need to be in place?

#### "What did they do on ITER?"



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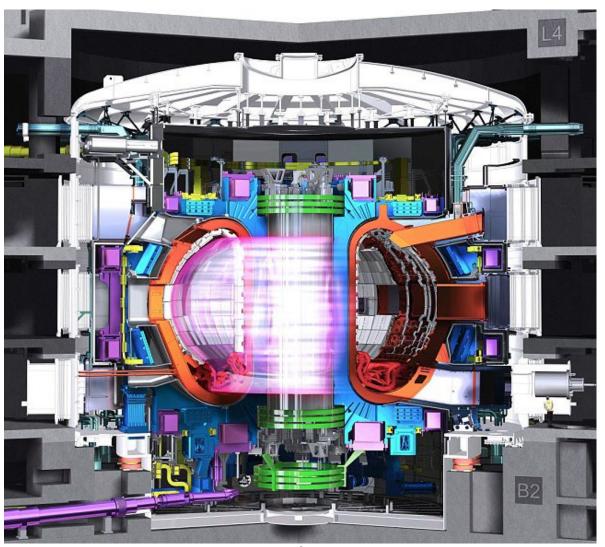


### Next steps

- Chuck Greenfield has begun to lead this project at ORNL.
- A procedure is being developed and reviewed with stakeholders.
- Implementation plans are beginning to set up public and secure web sites.
- The ITER Organization is simultaneously considering how to share data.



### Questions?



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