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SuperFluid Advanced Cooling Community Conference



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Alfa Laval at a glance

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invoicing 5,559	6,184 ORDER INTAKE	roce 21.0%	
16.1% ADJUSTED EBITA AS % OF SALES	\$	893 Adjusted ebita	21,321 NO OF EMPLOYEES

World-leading in three key technologies

Alfa Laval's operations are based on three key technologies – heat transfer, separation and fluid handling. These technologies play a key role in a number of industrial processes and Alfa Laval has a world-leading position in all three areas.



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Heat Transfer products

What can we offer?

- Technology leadership in heat
- Sustainable solutions
- Global and scalable supply
- Large installed base and proven success
- Partnerships
- Sustainable performance throughout the life-cycle with complete service offering

What is the DC future demand?

Data Center (DC) Market Forecast



- The optimistic forecast shows over 130 GW over the next 5 years
- The conservative shows 70GW extra over next 5 years
- Alfa Laval is a Global Partner and is supporting this growth

Alfa Laval in Data Center Cooling



Liquid cooling

The future of Data Center cooling

Drivers: de 5G Internet of Vehicles Al Augmented/Virtual reality IoT E-sports & Online gaming Blockchain

Air can not cope with these high demanding applications

Liquid Cooling advantages Opportunities: Energy Efficiency Footprint reduction Easier heat reuse Improved reliability Lower manitenance Lower noise

5 Liquid cooling technologies

Cooling Distribution Units (CDUs)



1-phase fluid 2-phase fluid (:2p Sensible heat transfer to a Latent heat transfer with LIQUID evaporation/condensation **Direct-to-Chip 1-phase Direct-to-Chip 2-phase Direct-to-**1P liquid flows directly over the 2P liquid flows directly over the hot hot components of the server components of the server Chip Liquid cooled coldplates cool the **CPUs/GPUs Medium Term** Today **Immersion 1-phase Immersion 2-phase** Immersion IT hardware is submerged in a IT hardware is submerged in a 2P dielectric coolant that transfers fluid that transfers the heat The full server is directly from the components the heat directly from the immersed into a components dielectric liquid **Medium Term** IT power Density

DLC: types of CDUs

DLC, Direct Liquid Cooling





Small Distributed CDUs

- Capacity 50 250 kW
- Supply one single rack
- First solution in the market

Large volumes

- Standardization
 - OEM approach



Coldplate, Chip/Server Manufacturer and Cooling OEMs

Standard, off-the-shelf

- Designed for an "average duty"
- Variable flow to reduce OPEX
- Standard control features





Large Centralized CDUs (in row/end of row)

- Capacity 500 2500 kW
- Supply multiple racks (10/30)
- 1 MW is the today standard of the market
- Larger capacities already in the pipeline

Project design

- Tailor-Made for a specific duty
- Cost optimization
- Special control features



The Cooling Distribution unit: CDU



CDU Hot side depends on the server/chip specs:

- Cooling capacity
- Max temperature
- Min flowrate

Need for a clean fluid: PG25, stainless steel, filter $50/100 \mu m$

Outlet for the CDU = Inlet T for coldplates

Cold side facility water system:

Depending on the building cooling system:

- Flowrate available
- Inlet temperature
- Acceptable pressure drops

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How a BHE works in a CDU



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The HX sizing defines the **T. approach** and the **pressure drops**

Depending on the limitations in the specs, the HX can be limited by:

- Thermal design (T. approach)
- Pressure drops
- Flowrates (fluid velocity)

Capacity (kW) is always depending on the duty (temperature and flows): the same BHE can deliver different capacities in different conditions

How Alfa Laval BHEs helps CDU design

Flexible platform to fine tune the BHEs design



The HX sizing/selection affects the **capacity**, **T. approach** and **pressure drops**

A **flexible** platform allows to fine tune the design to:

- Minimize surface with no compromises on performance
- Achieve the maximum energy efficiency minimizing DC running costs

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Flexible platform to fine tune the BHEs design





Symmetric channel: same volume for the two fluids



Asymmetric channel: different volumes for the two fluids



Low theta Lower capacity Lower DP



Medium theta Medium capacity Medium DP



High theta Higher efficiency Higher capacity Higher DP







Seven levels of flexibility:

- 1) Wide portfolio from XS to XL units
- 2) Plate number
- 3) Three main plate types (H, M, L)
- 4) Asymmetric channels
- 5) Wide connections choice
- 6) Mixing channel (*selected models)
- 7) Multipass (*selected models)



Plate (channel) types

At <u>constant temperatures (approach)</u>: Low, Medium, High capacity and pressure drops.



CB112, same plate count, constant approach





Low theta Lower efficiency Lower capacity Higher approach Lower DP



Medium theta Medium efficiency Medium capacity Medium approach Medium DP

At c<u>onstant flow (capacity)</u>: Approach decreases from L to M and H plates.



CB112, same plate count, constant capacity 425 kW





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High theta
Higher efficiency
Higher capacity
Lower approach
Higher DP
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	Effects						
Parameter	w/ cons	tant temperature	w/ constant capacity/flowrate				
	Flow	Capacity	Pressure drops	Approach	Pressure drops		
1 Front area (model)	1	1	*depends	Ļ	Ļ		
1 Plate number	1	1	1	Ļ	Ļ		
Plate from L to H	1	1	t t	ţ	1		
Asymmetric vs symmetric plate	ţ	ţ	t	t	ţ		
t connection diameter	pressure drops I						
2 pass vs1 pass	11	11	11	ţţ.	11		
Mixing plates	intermediate effect between different plate types						

How to match application needs

CDU in rack sizes: - 1U=1,75" (44,45mm) - 2U=3,5" (88,9mm) - 3U=5,25" (133,35mm) - 4U=7" (177,8mm)

"Pizza Box" Chassis Server installed in the standardized chassis: Width 19" (480mm) Height 1U, 2U, 3U... Depth variable

Server Rack

- Structrure designed to house multiple server, switches, routers
- Racks are modular and standardized
- Typical rack can house 42 1U servers



CB30	CB40	CB60	CB62	CB110	CB112	CB210	CB410	CB450
113x 313 mm	121× 333 mm	113x 527 mm	113x 529 mm	191× 616 mm	191× 616 mm	324x 742 mm	490x 793 mm	450X 989mm
In rack 3U fitting	In rack 3U fitting	In rack 3U fitting	In rack 3U fitting	End of row	End of row	End of row	End of row	End of row
Up to 80kW	Up to 250kW		Up to 700kW		Up to 1600kW		Up to 2600kW	

Indicative Max Capacity (kW) acc.to PD limitations, T. Approach, application, media, etc...



CB40 model – DC key features

S&M formats for Distributed CDUs

- Suitable for 1-phase applications (CDU's, HVAC, Oil cooling)
- Extended 1-phase S&M product portfolio
- Compact design tailored for demanding thermal duties
- 3U fitting



Thank You