



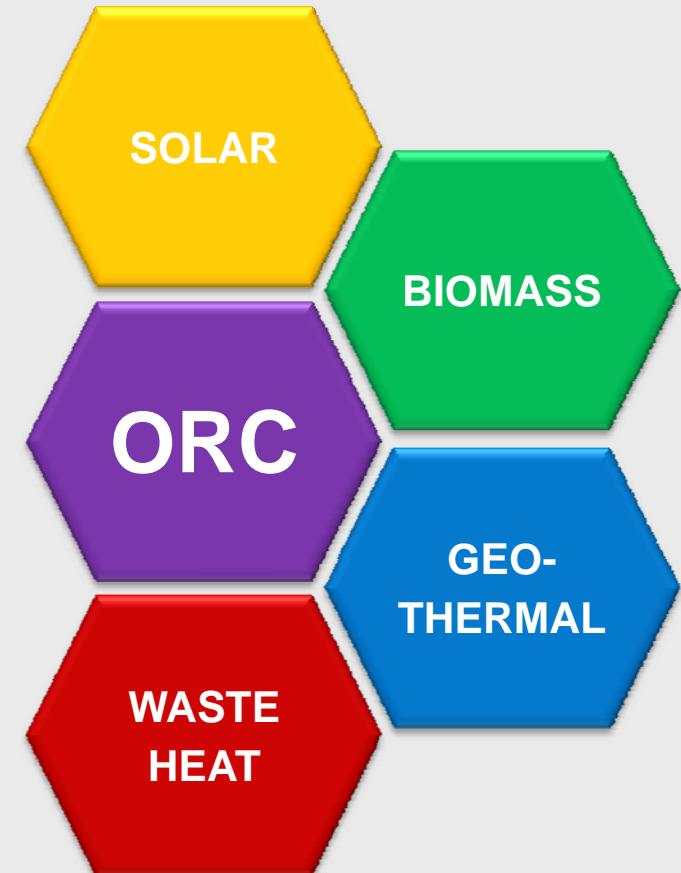
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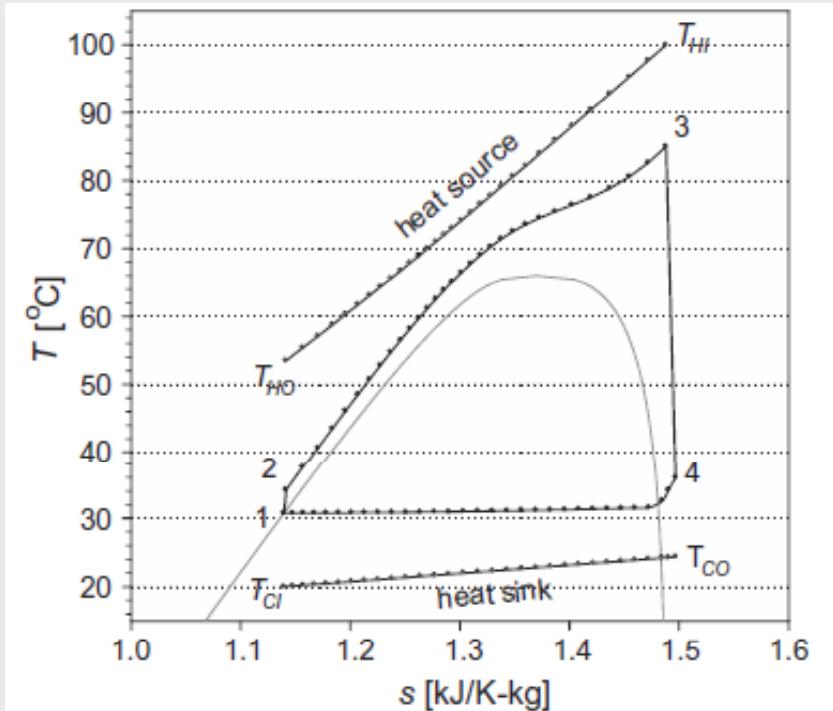
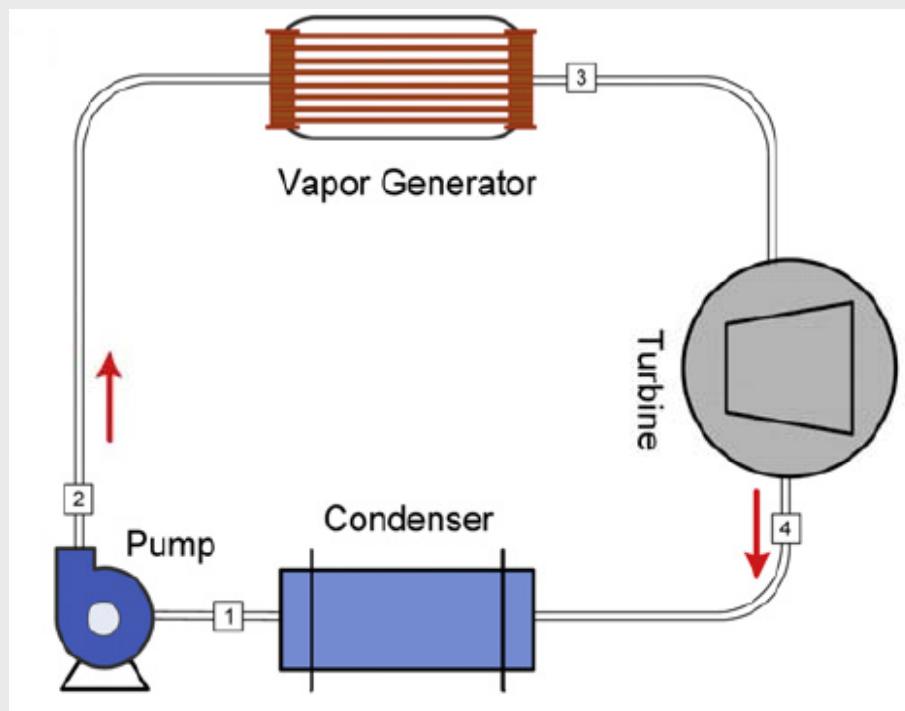
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# Low grade temperature heat recovery

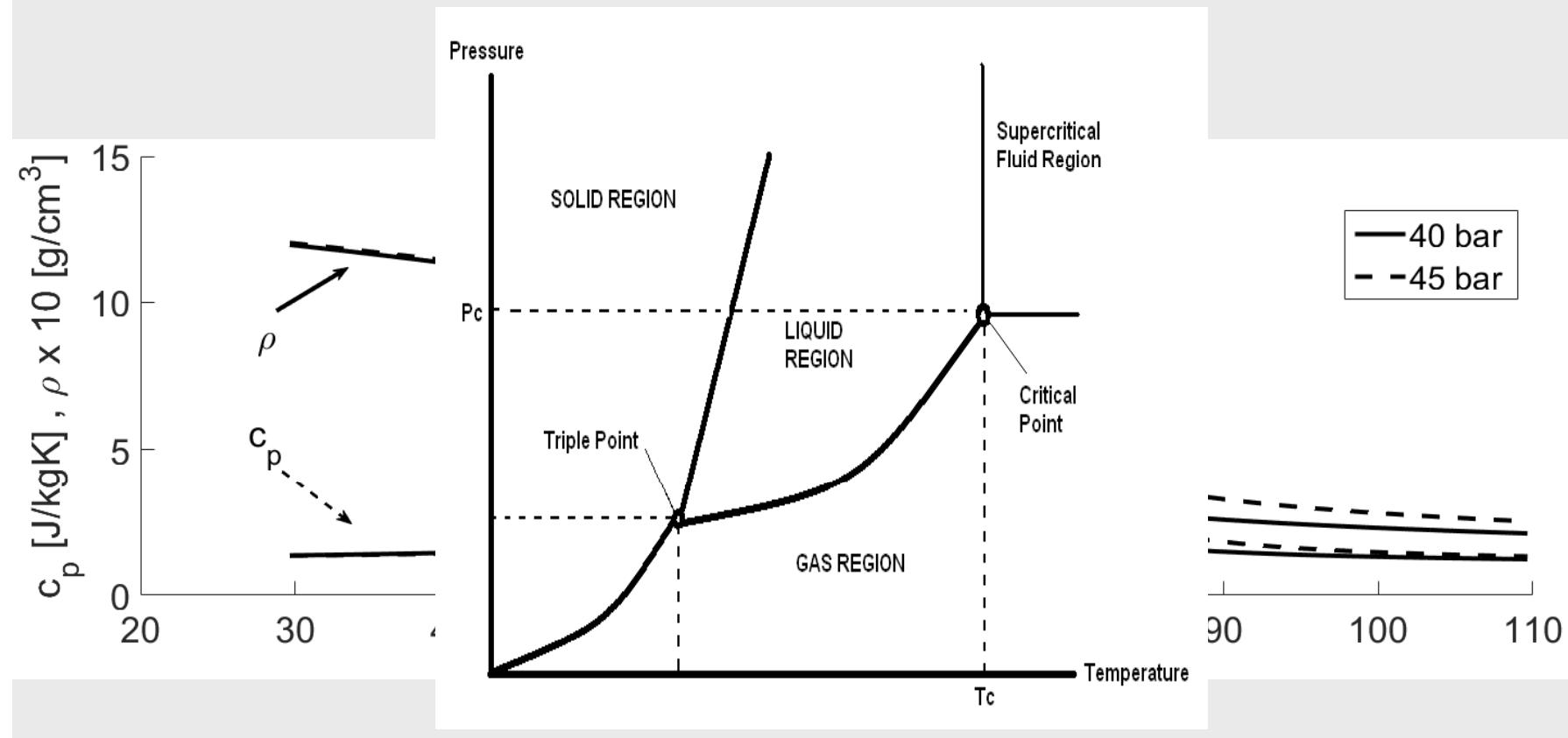
Organic Rankine Cycle  
Low grade temperature heat  $< 400\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$   
Temperature of interest  $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$



# Transcritical Organic Rankine Cycle



# Thermophysical properties of supercritical R125

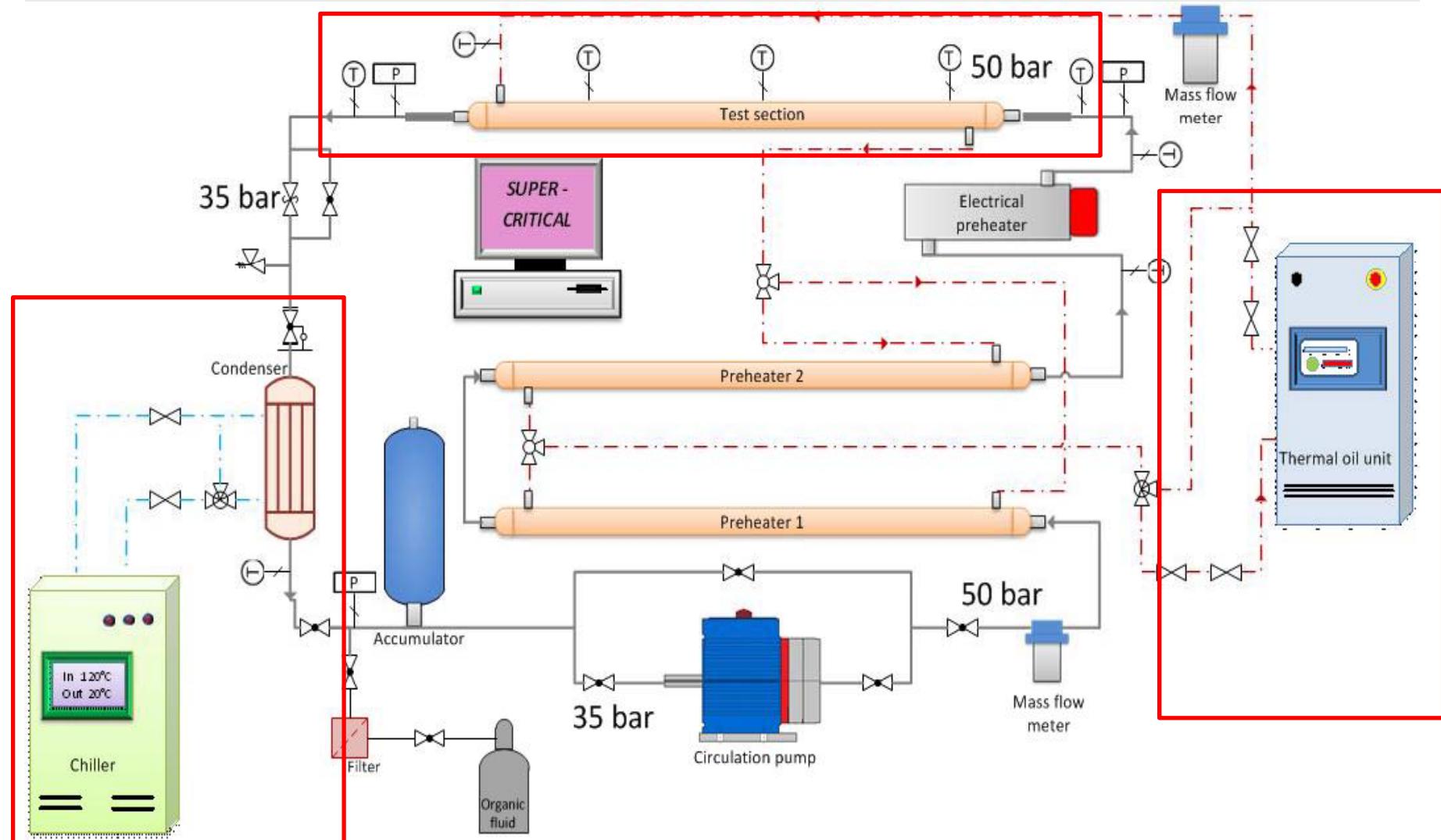


# Organic fluids that will be investigated

- Good thermophysical properties

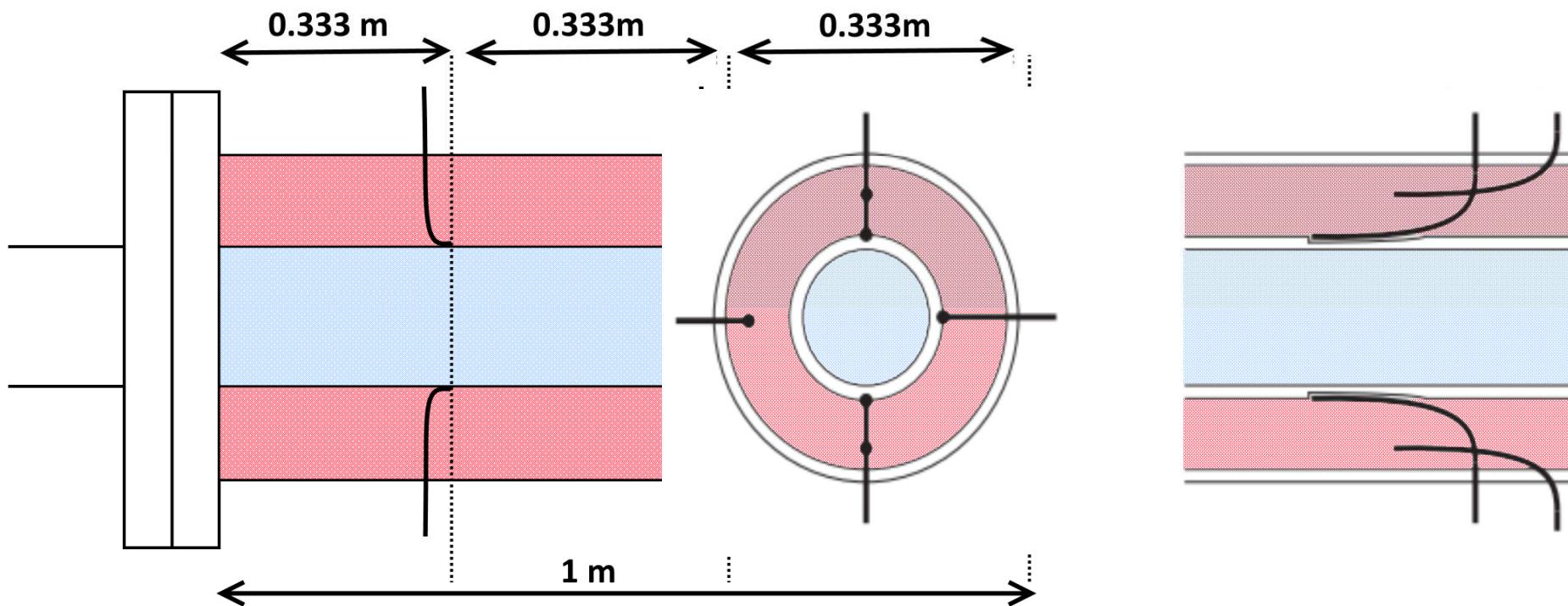
Refrigerant	R125	R134a
Chemical formulae	C2HF5	CF3CH2F
Temperature Tc (°C)	66,0	101,1
Pressure pc (bar)	36,2	40,6
Mol. Weight (g/mol)	120	102,03
Boiling point (°C)	- 48,5	- 26,15
GWP (within 100 y)	3400	1430
ODP	0	0

# Test rig



# Test section

Length	Type HX	TC spacing wf	TC spacing hf
4 m	Tube-in-tube	0,333 m	1 m





# Uncertainty analysis

Property	Relative error	Property	Relative error
$p_{wf,in}$	0,69 %	$p_{wf,out}$	0,68 %
$T_{wf,in}$	0,15 %	$T_{wf,out}$	0,11 %
$\dot{m}_{wf}$	0,07 %	$\dot{m}_{hf}$	0,08 %
$Q_{hf}$	9,8 %	$Nu_{hf}$	10 %
$Q_{wf}$	26,34 %	$Nu_{wf}$	12,14 %

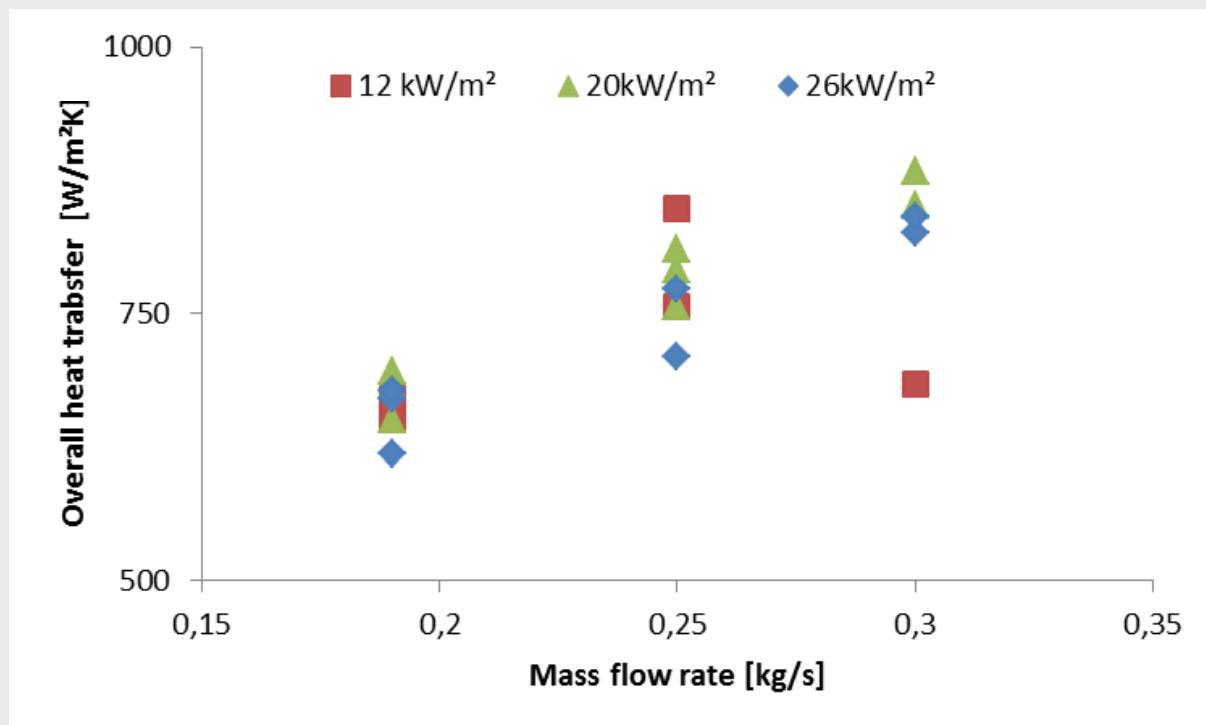
# Data reduction

Overall heat transfer coefficient → LMTD method

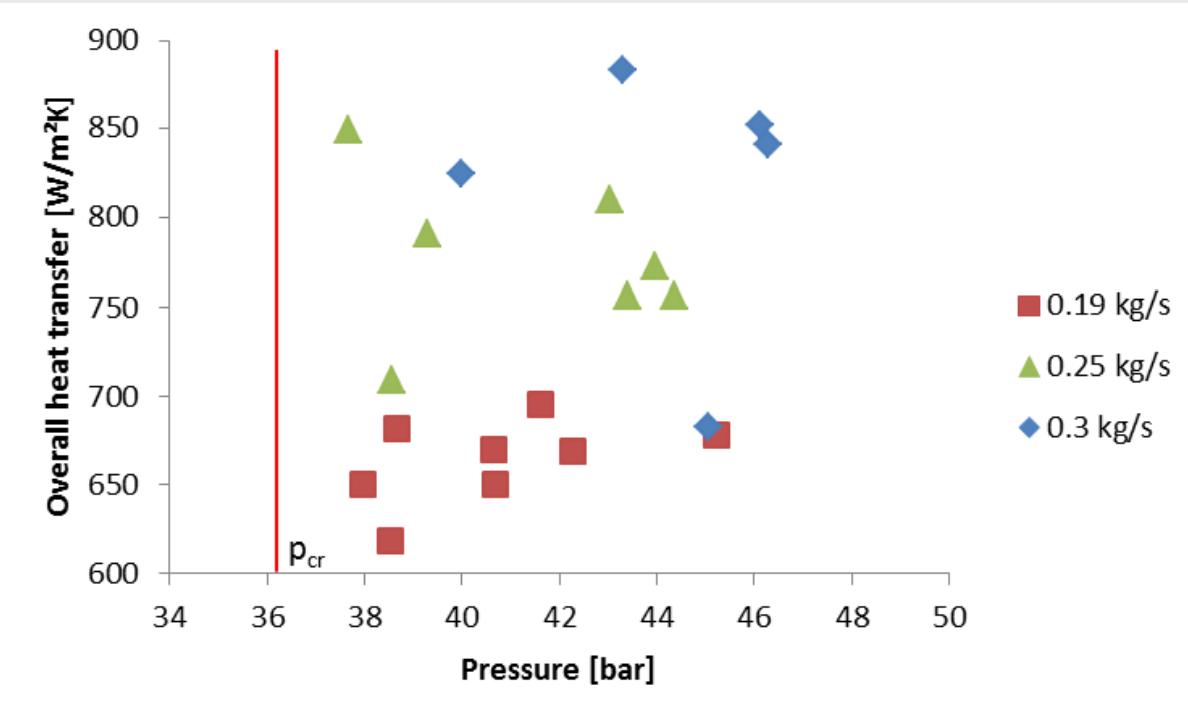
$$Q = U \cdot A \cdot LMTD$$

$$U = \frac{Q}{A \cdot LMTD}$$

# Heat transfer coefficient as function of the mass flow rate of the working fluid



# Heat transfer coefficient as function of the inlet pressure at different mass flow rate



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