

Agenda

- Introductions
- Renewable energy applications in water treatment
- Libya Project
- Summary of Actions, Next Steps

Solar Energy for Water Treatment-

Many Possible Options

- Concentrating Solar Distillation
- DewVaporation (Arizona State/Altela Inc.)
- Concentrated Solar with RO
- PV Powered Desalination with RO
- PV Powered Desalination with ED

Conclusions based on energy consumption

If solar thermal energy source is available:

- 1) Distillation processes (except VC, perhaps) make sense only using waste heat from another process (steam turbine for electric generation).
- 2) Mechanical vapor compression (VC) could make sense as cogeneration option on power plant
- 3) RO using electricity generated by CST power plant would be more efficient than dedicated solar distillation plant
- 4) ED may be good PV match (DC, intermittent operation)
- 5) Other thermal processes (FO draw solute recycle) may be good match for cogeneration with power plant.

BOR Tularosa Inland Desalination Facility: Brackish Groundwater National Desalination Research Facility (BGNDRF)

Research Mission

- Partnered with SNL
- All water treatment applications
- Coupled energy - water research
- Pilot scale validation



Proposed Project Outline

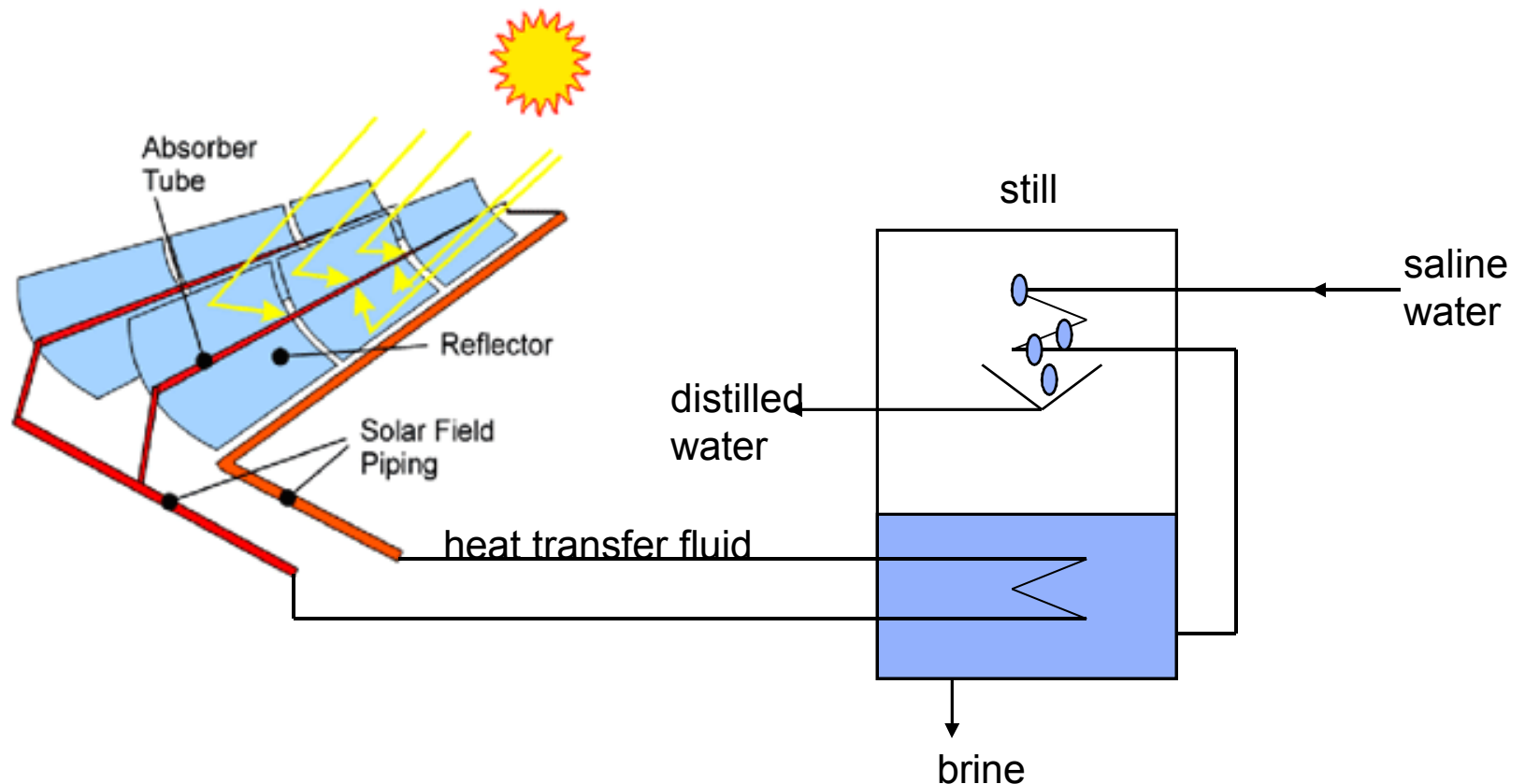
- Collect information on SOTA solar and desalination technologies
- Select best configuration(s)
 - Economics
 - Performance
 - Compatability
- Construction of Pilot Demo(s)
- Demo Testing
 - Develop testing strategy
 - Run pilot/Collect Data
- Project Completion Final Report
- Develop New R&D Projects

Considerations

- What are the big payoff applications?
- What approaches would make the biggest impact?
- What approaches make the most economic sense?
- Project Funding?

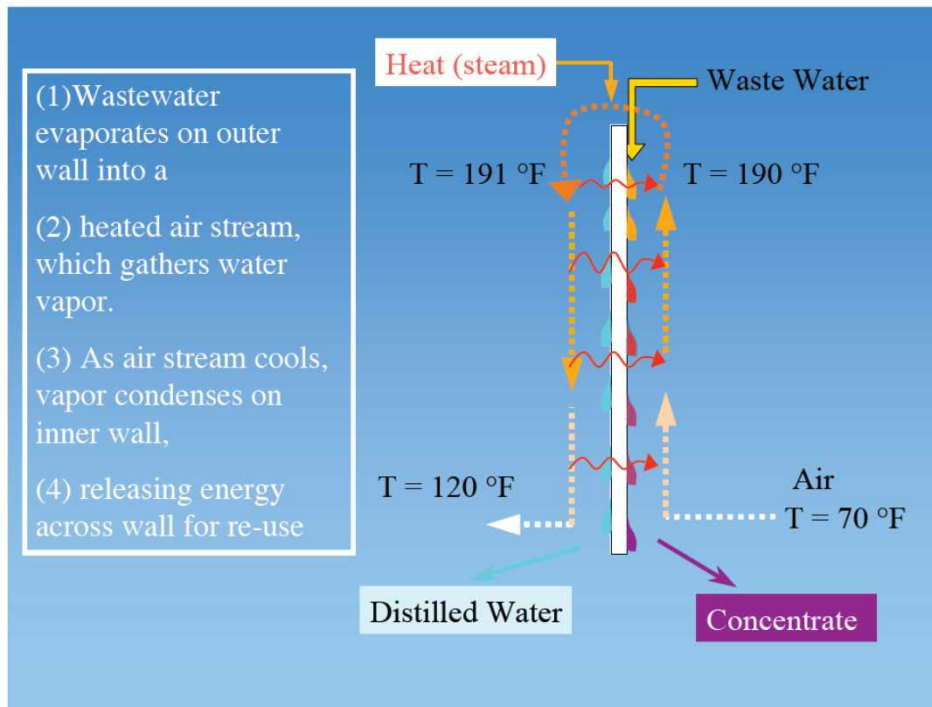
Concentrating solar distillation

- solar powered; remote site compatible
- applicable to many distillation configurations



DewVaporation system

- developed at ASU
- licensed by Altela, Inc.



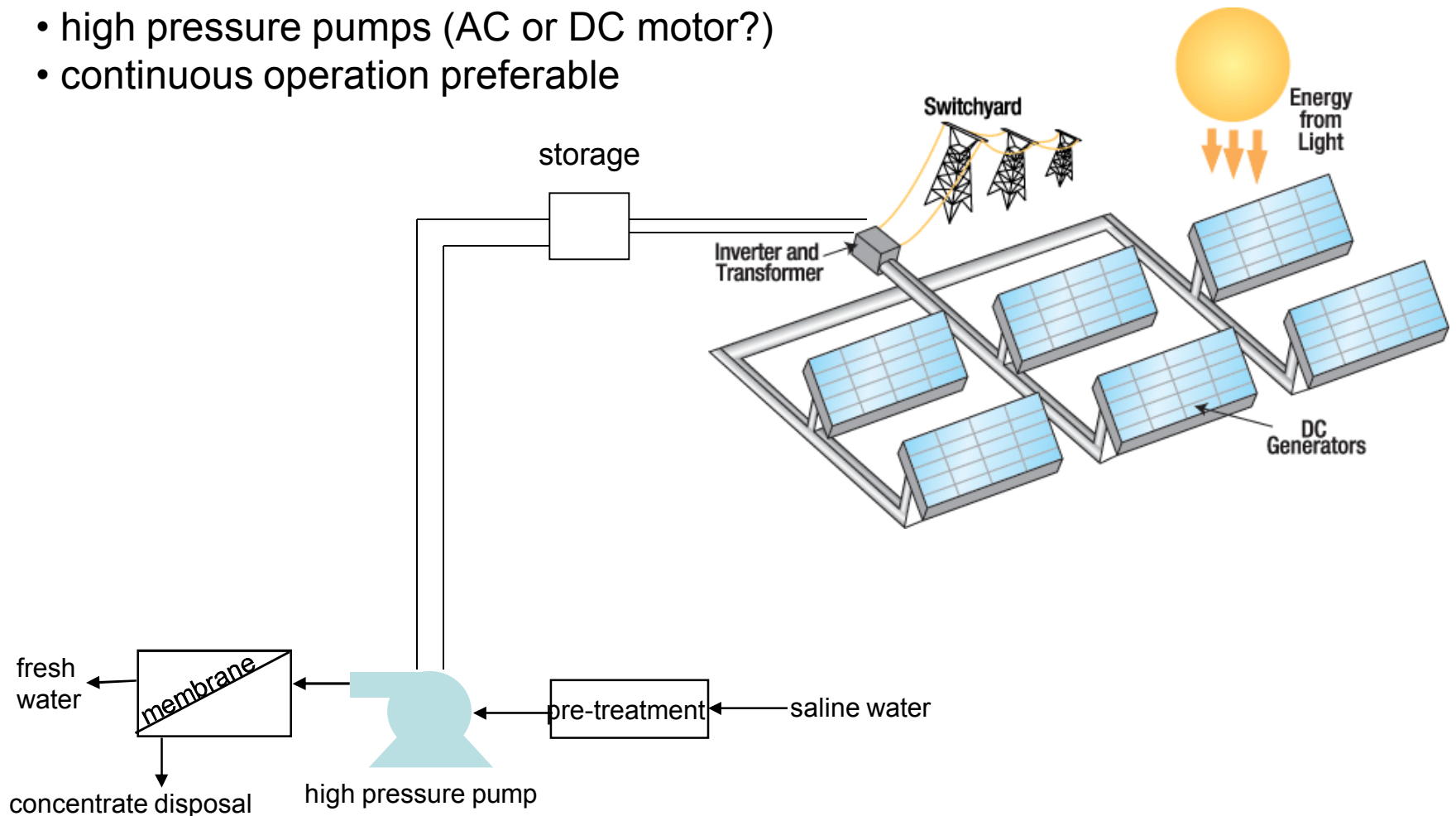
Throughput: 10 – 12 gal/hr

Thermal energy use: 2000 – 2500 BTU/hr

Electrical power use (pumps, fan, controls): ~1 kW

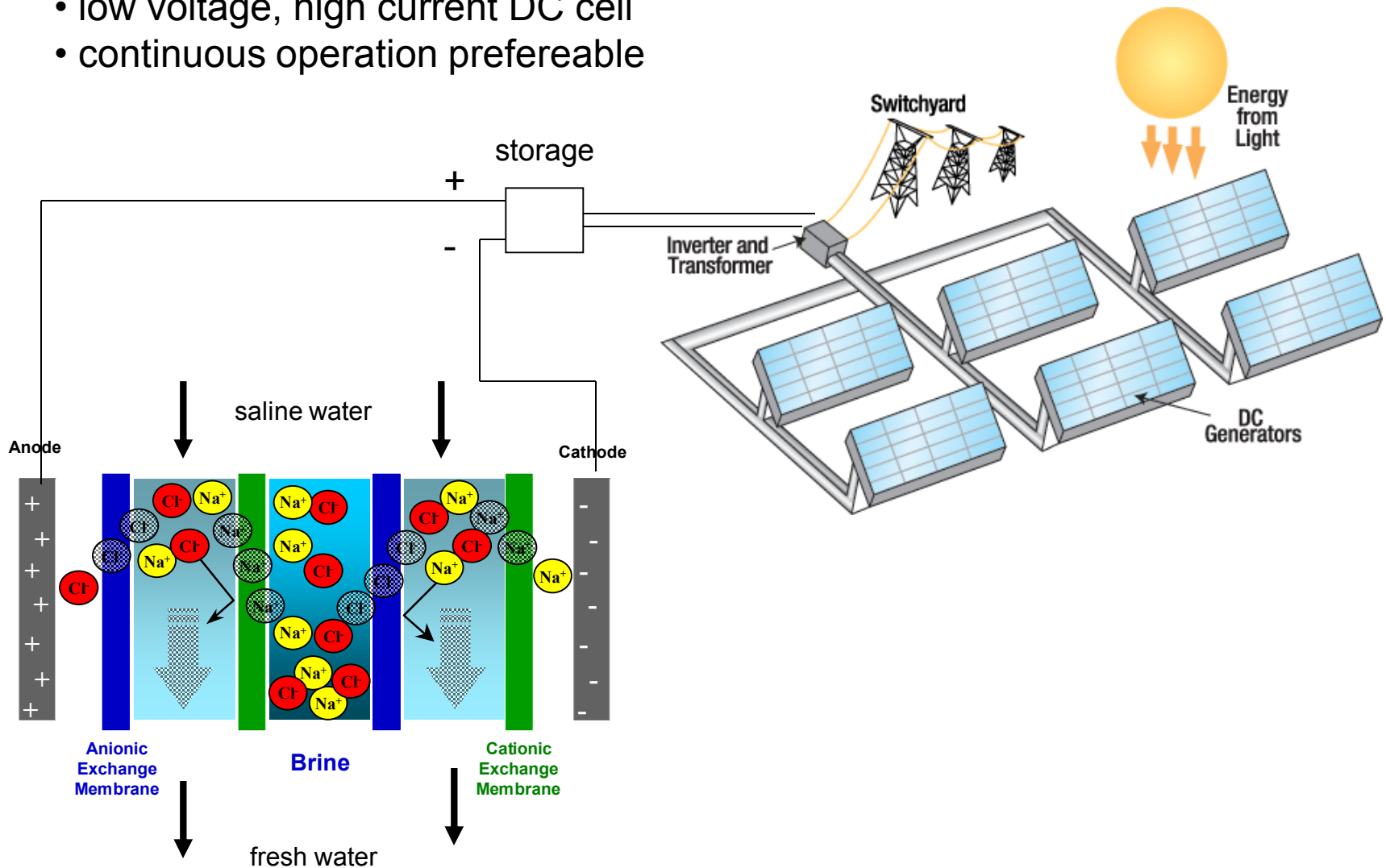
PV powered desalination systems: Reverse Osmosis

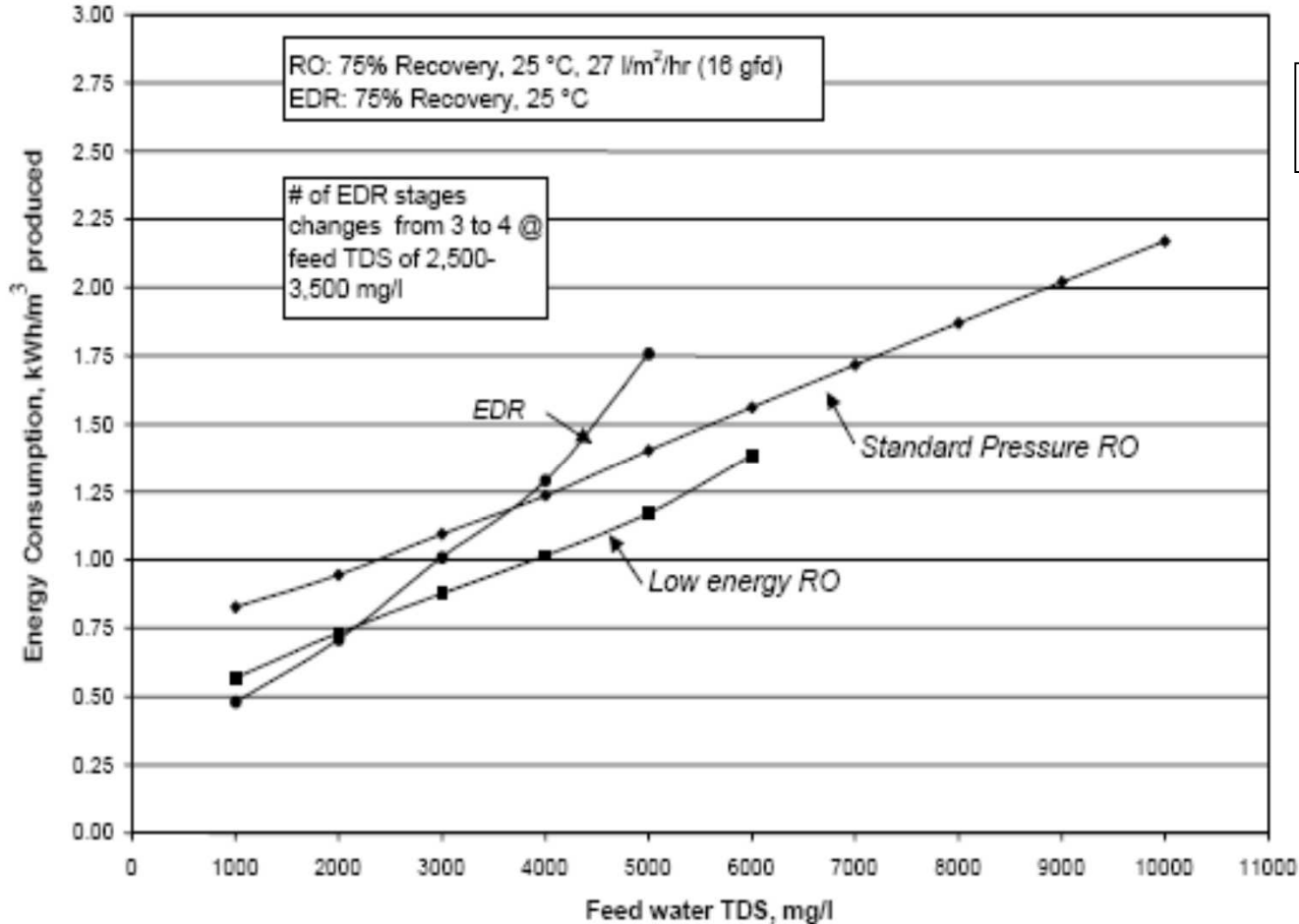
- high pressure pumps (AC or DC motor?)
- continuous operation preferable



PV powered desalination systems: Electrodialysis

- low voltage, high current DC cell
- continuous operation preferable





Desalting Handbook for Planners, 3rd Edition (2003)

Salinity

3000 ppm

10000 ppm

1 gal/min

250 W

500 W

5 gal/min

1250 W

2500 W

Energy consumption for desalination processes (kJ/kg ~ kWh/kgal)

Reference	Seawater RO	Brackish RO	Brackish ED	MSF	MEE	VC
A	61			299		
B	15-28			95		
C	27			230		
D	23-30		4	290		
E	18-22	11		216-288		
F	11					25-43
G	15-28					29-39
H				95-252	107-132	22-29
I						14-29
J						25-36
K						26
L						37
M					95-275	
N					152	
O	14	7.2				

RO reverse osmosis
ED electrodialysis
MSF multi-stage flash dist.
MEE multi-effect dist.
VC vapor compress. dist.

Energy units are electrical for RO and ED, thermal for distillation

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