

THE ADSORBENTS NANOPOROUS STRUCTURES REGENERATION FOR INDUSTRIAL DRYERS BY MICROWAVE ENERGY

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The main researches must be dedicated to a wider exploration of the means for reducing the atmospheric impact of other non-CO₂ gaseous emissions such as water vapor.



Aircraft running on hydrogen still emit water vapour and, in the case of hydrogen combustion, also NO_x. On the other hand, particles may strongly be reduced.

The technology we propose can be used in the design of equipment that solves this problem.

*As a consequence, high altitude phenomena have a substantial impact on the global impact of aviation on **global warming** through radiative forcing, may strongly be modified. Decreasing the level of this impact is crucial in order to increase the environmental potential of H₂ aircraft.*

Water is present in the atmosphere. It is pumped by compressors into the pneumatic systems.



Long-term resource of equipment pipes and other production



Maintenance of pipes and equipment in production



Reliability to provide technological processes and increasing productivity



AIR COMPRESSOR



AIR DRYER

The use of separators, filters and dryers solves these problems

The reason for the significant consumption of electricity by compressors is due to the laws of thermodynamics.

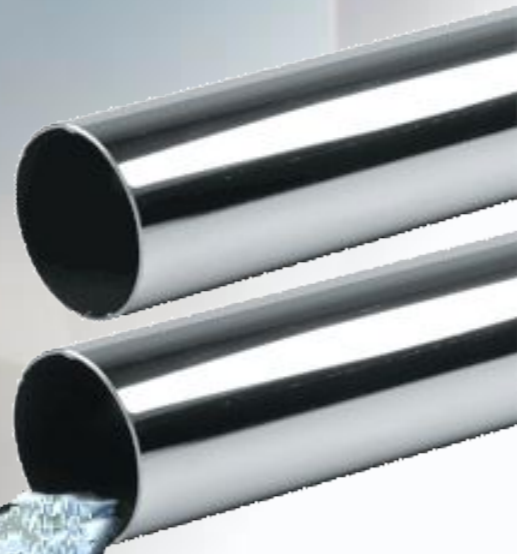


WET AIR



DRY AIR

*Blowing
purge air losses*



*Water
removal losses*

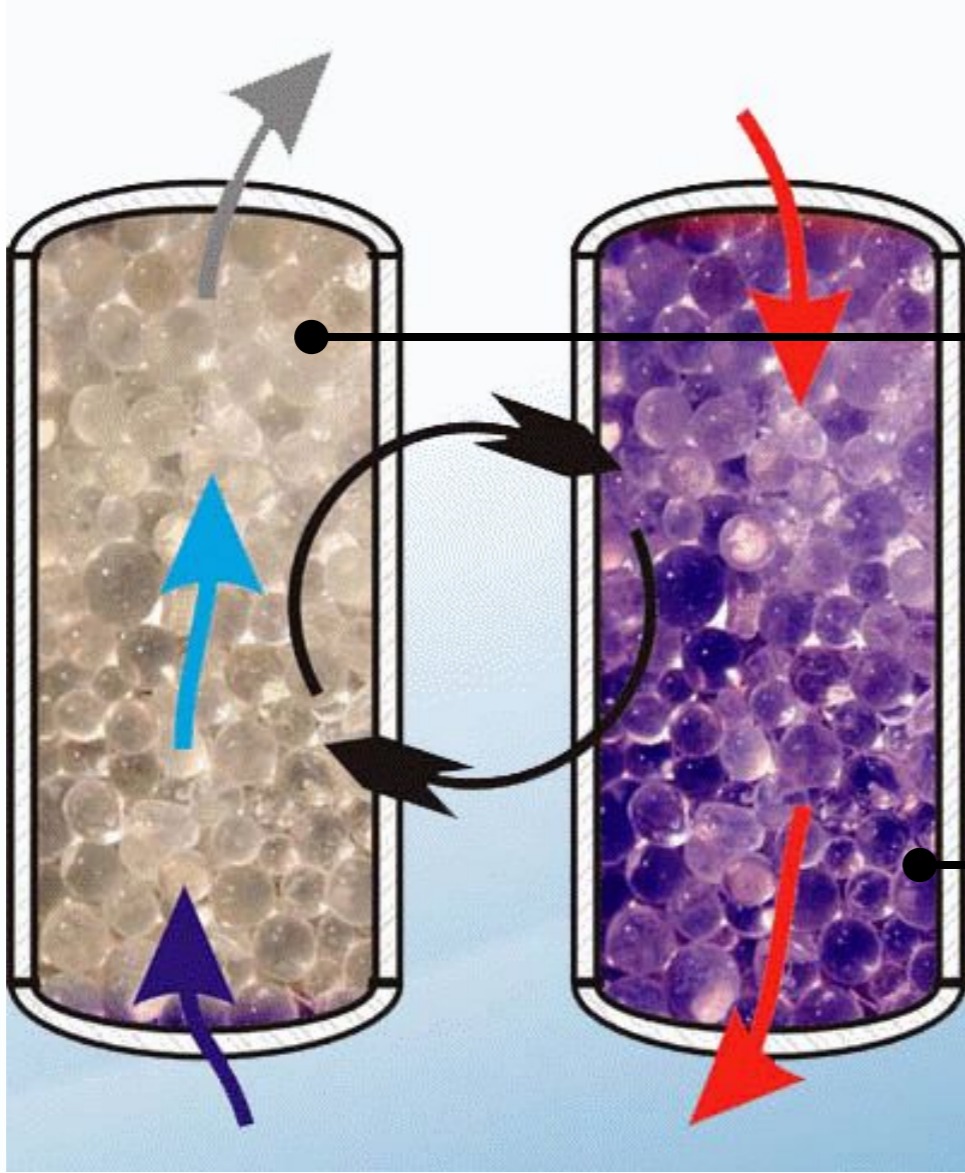


UP TO 20 % AIR LOST



*Reducing the amount
of compressed air used
to adsorbent
regeneration is a
challenge that must be
addressed to reduce the
cost of air production.*

Adsorption columns of the dryer and their cyclic functioning.

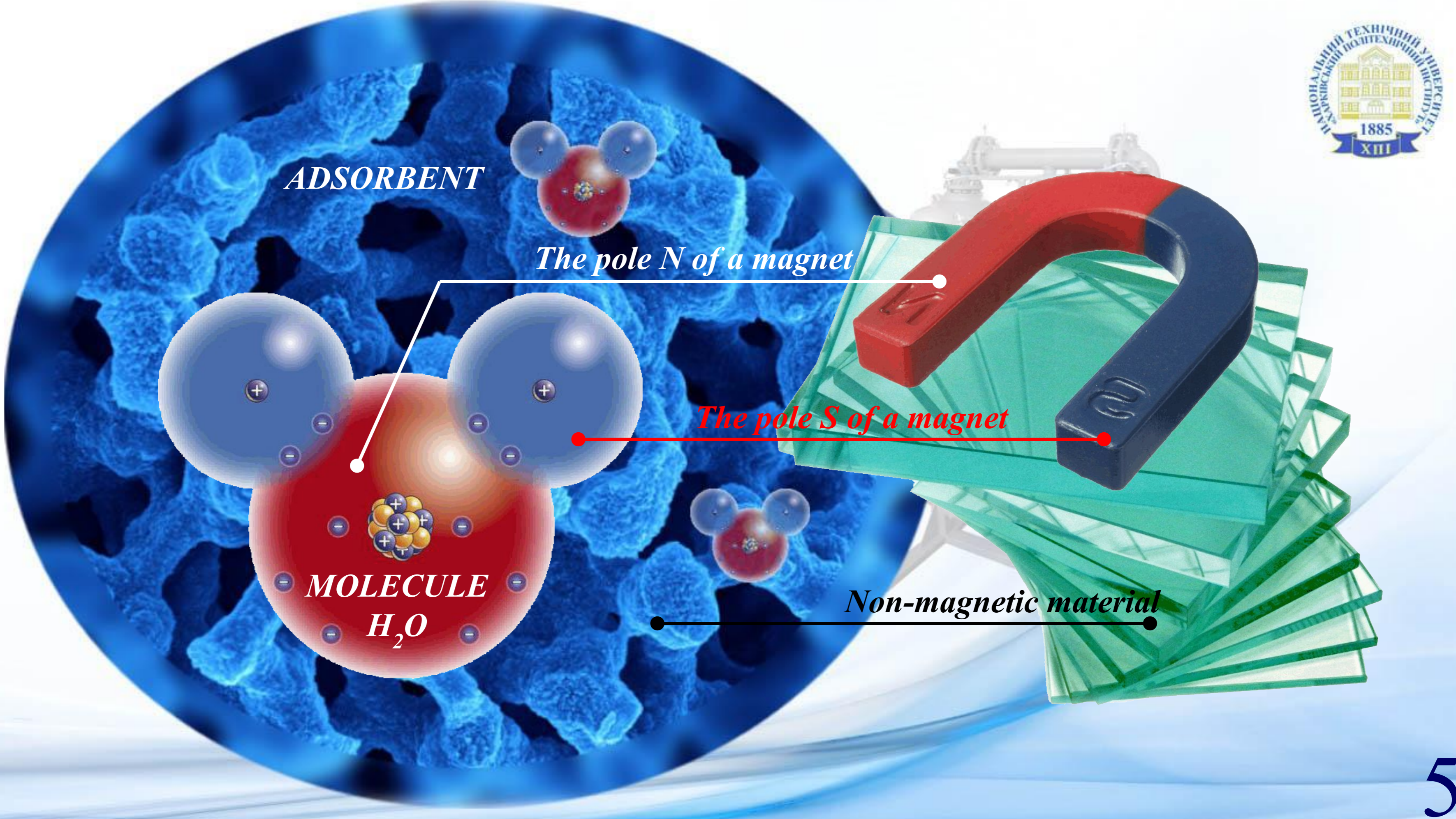


*Adsorbtion
columns*



Dry air
Purge air, temperature 200 °C
Being dried air

AIR DRYER

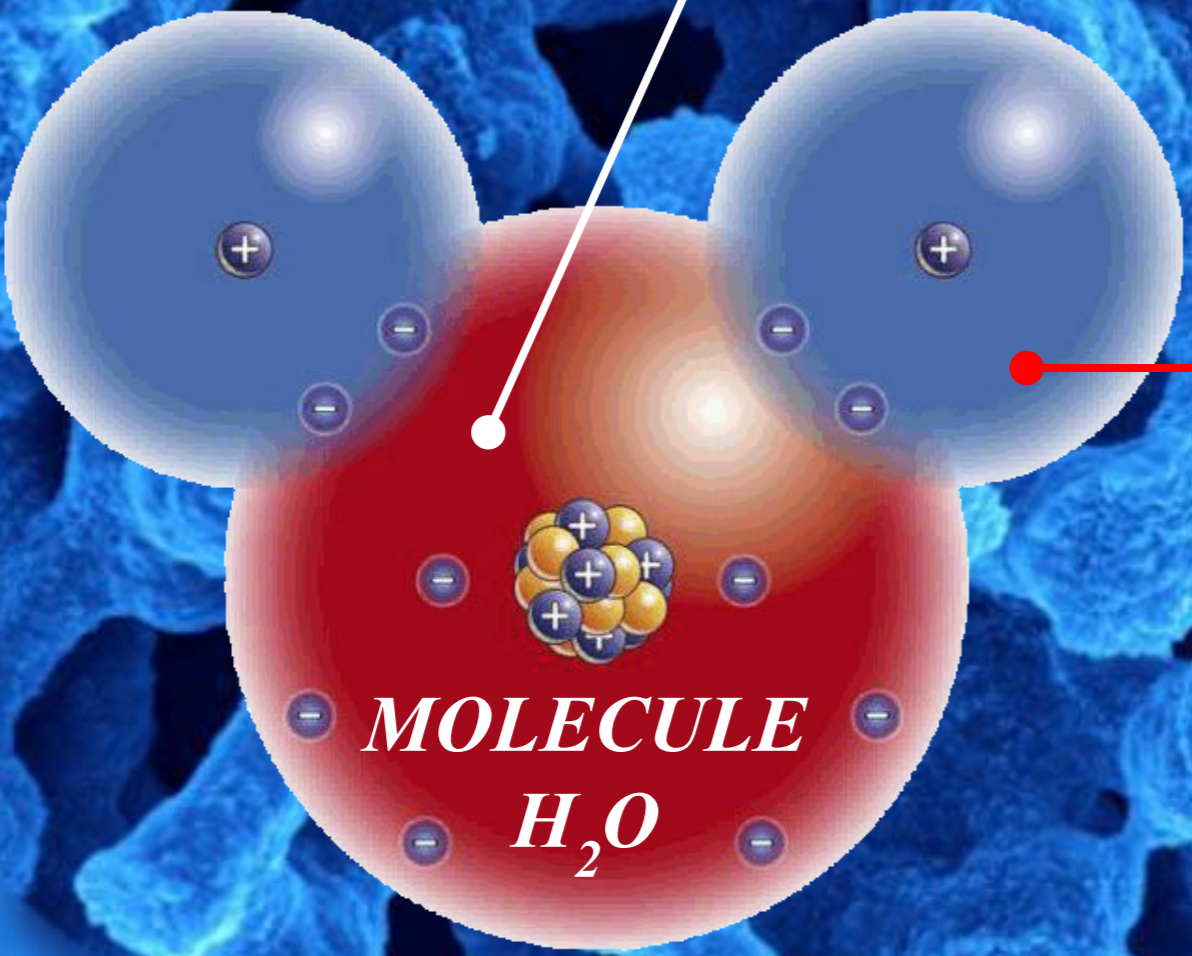


ADSORBENT

The pole N of a magnet

The pole S of a magnet

Non-magnetic material

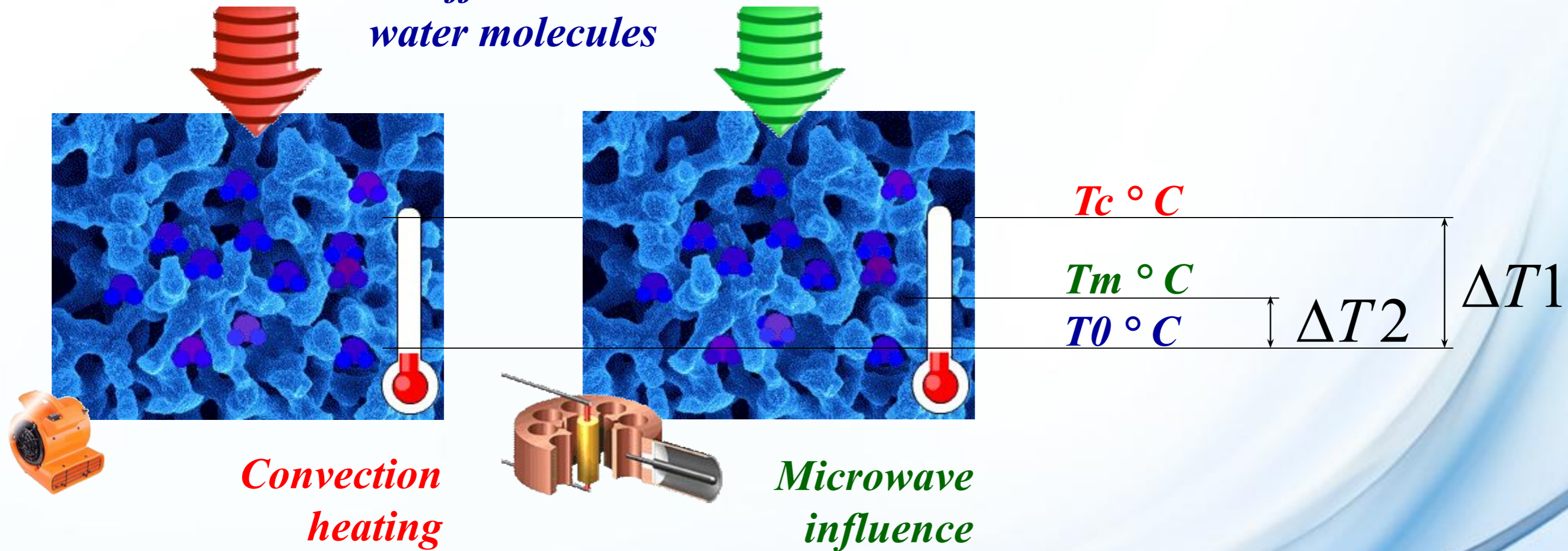


A lower heating temperature of the adsorbent requires a smaller volume of dried air to cool the adsorbent to the adsorption temperature



If the $H_{u_convection} = H_{u_microwave}$

*Effects on
water molecules*



Then $\Delta T_{convection} > \Delta T_{microwave}$

COOLING ADSORBENT STAGE



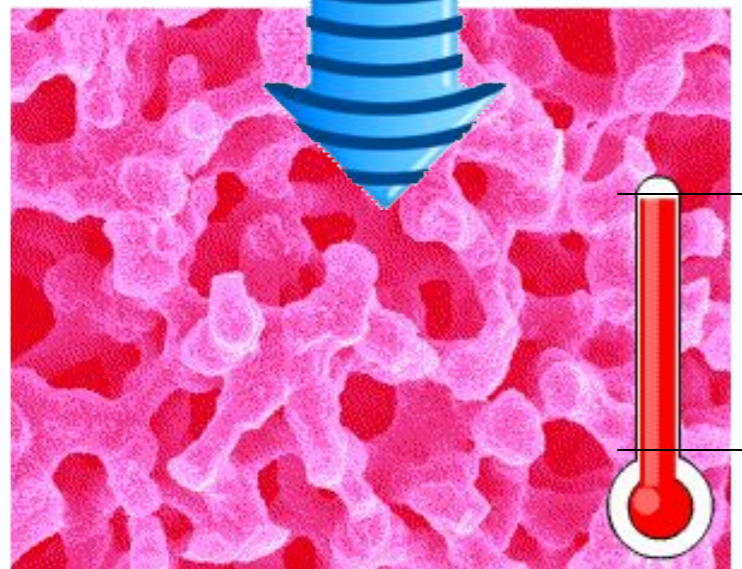
*Volume
of cooling
dried air*



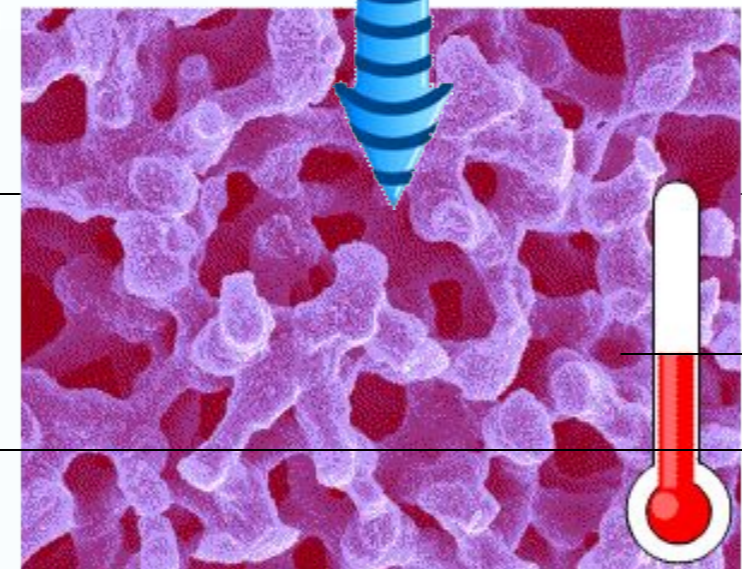
$$V = m / \rho$$

$$\rho = const$$

$$Q_{cooling_air} = cm_{air}\Delta T$$



*Convection
heating*



*Microwave
influence*

$T_c \text{ } ^\circ C$

$T_m \text{ } ^\circ C$

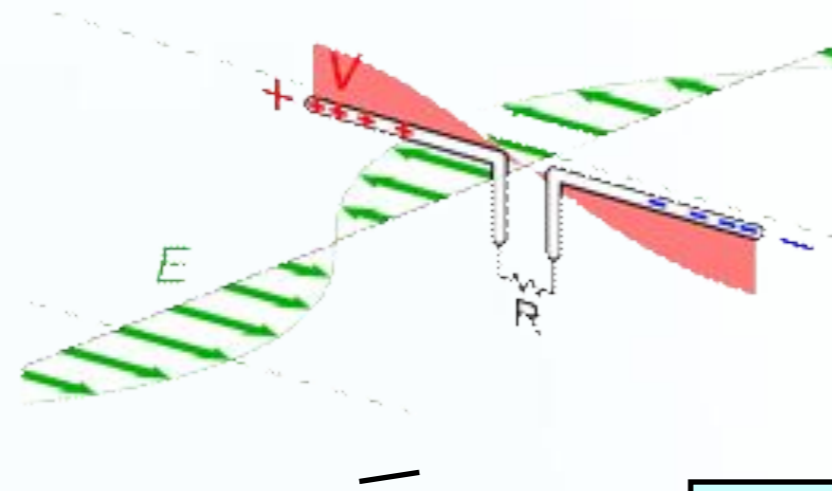
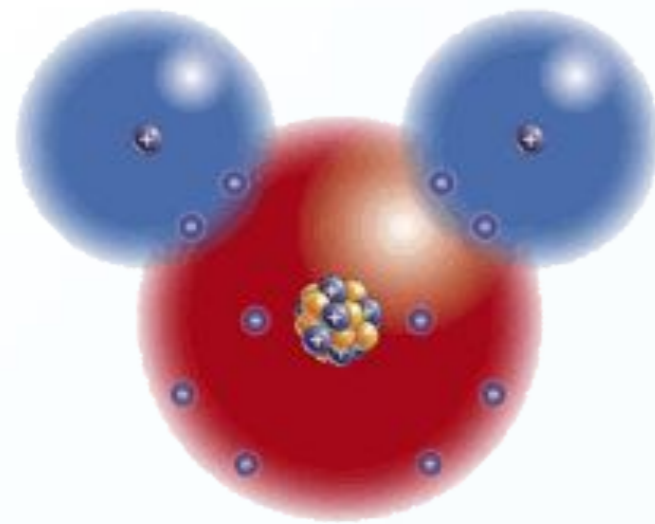
$T_0 \text{ } ^\circ C$

ΔT_1

ΔT_2

$$m_{air}(convection) > m_{air}(microwave)$$

The action of high frequency radiation makes it possible to effect on water molecules directly.

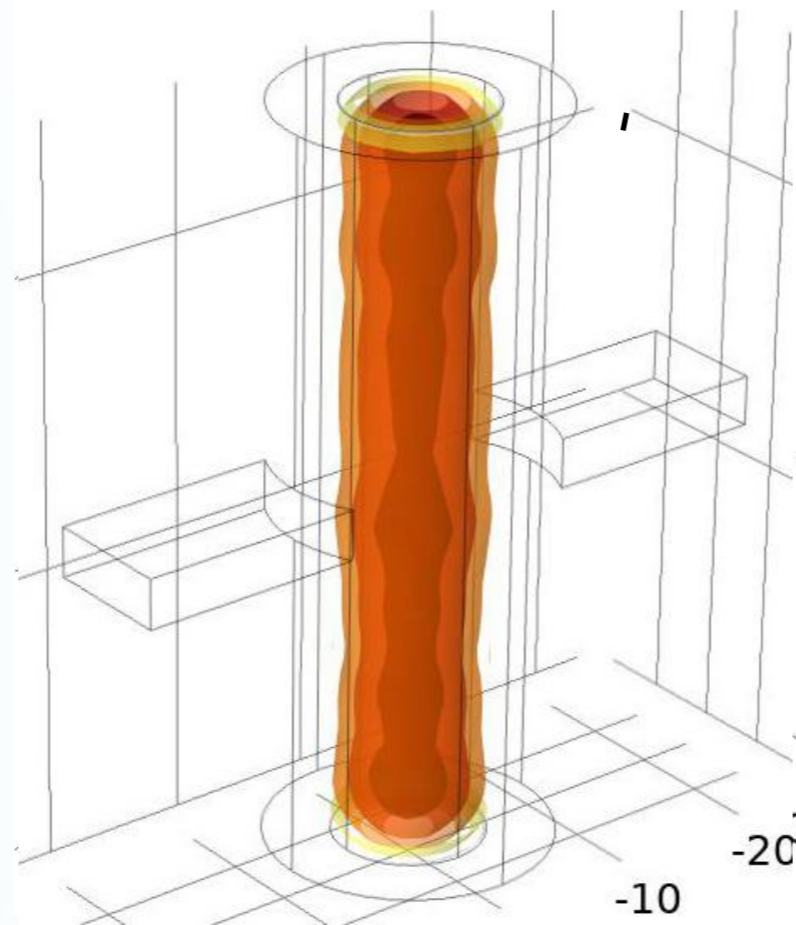
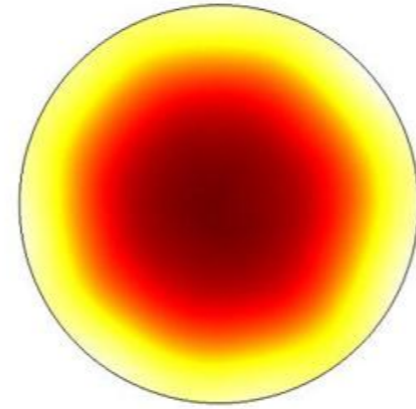


Electromagnetic field

Usually the impact is carried out using a magnetron, but this is uneven effect



Waveguide system



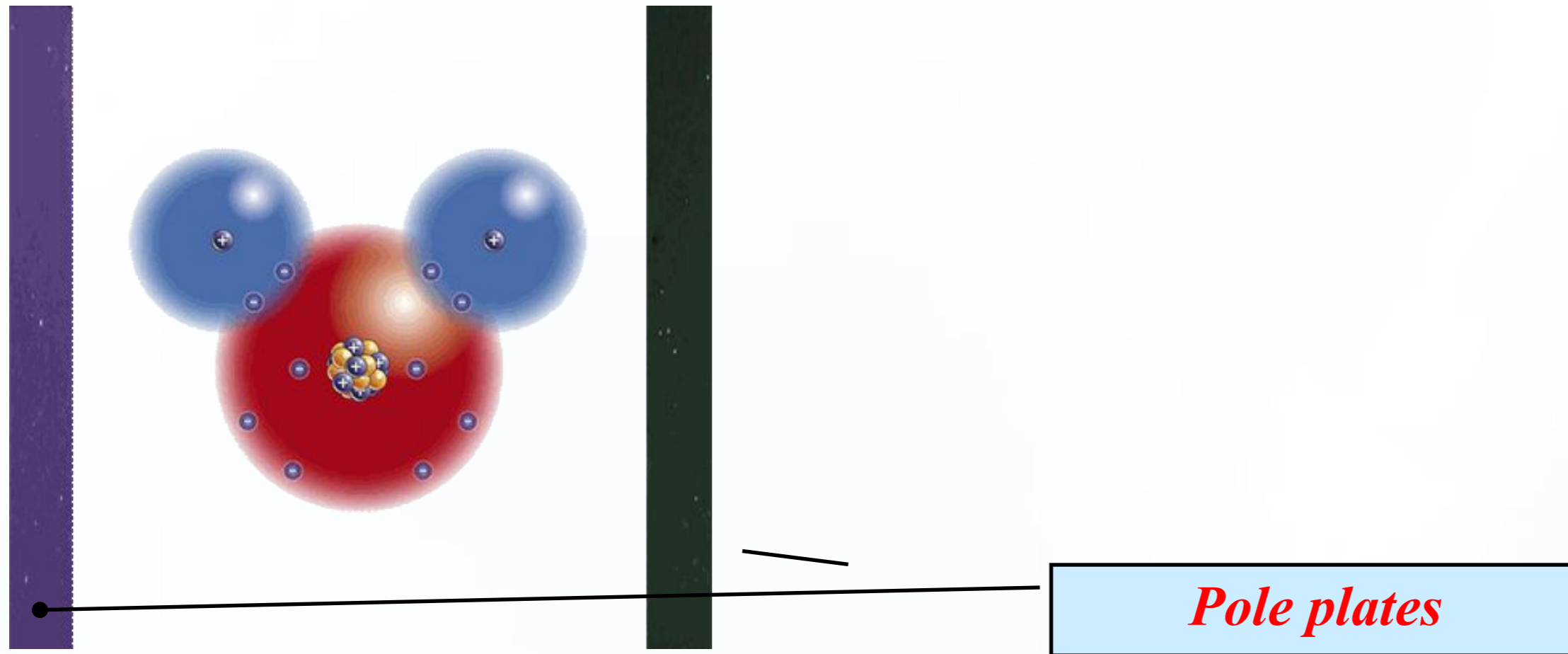
Low energy zone

Overheating zone

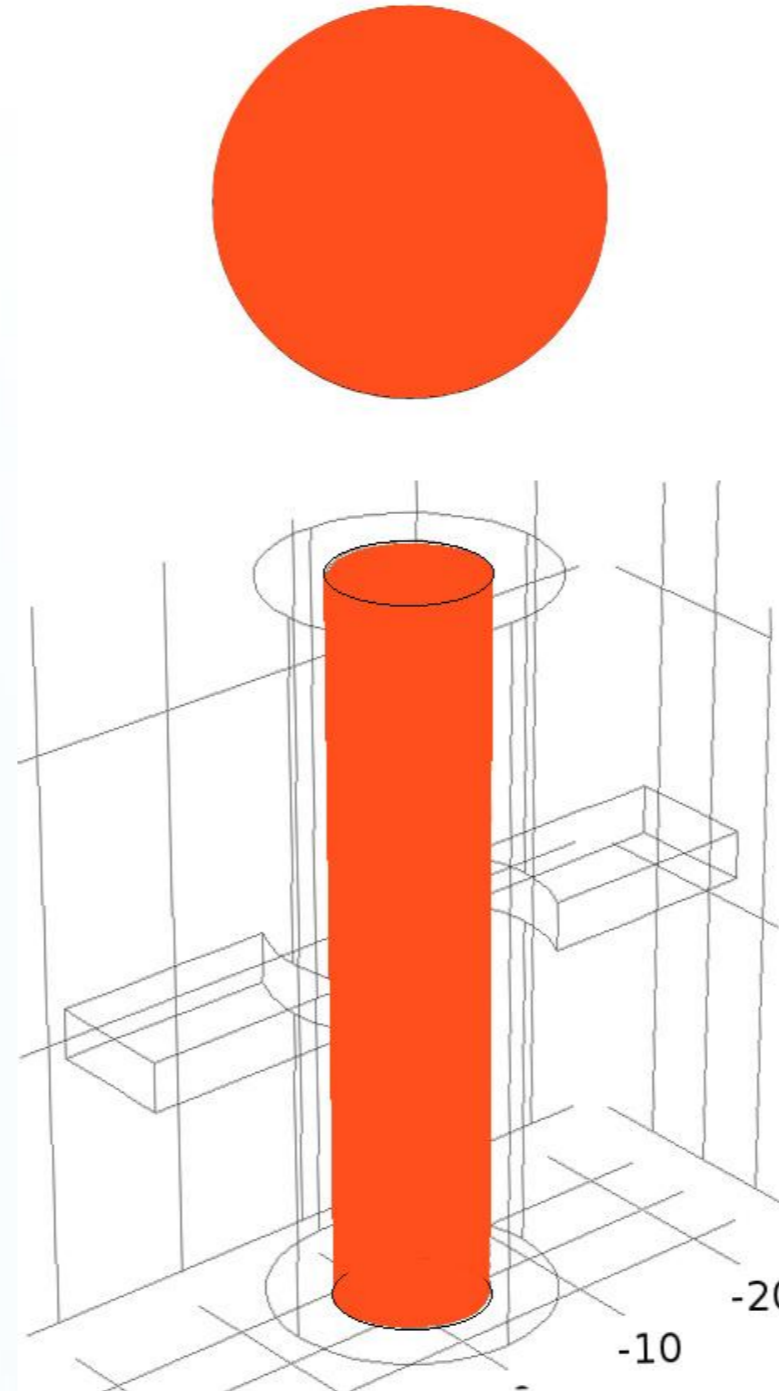
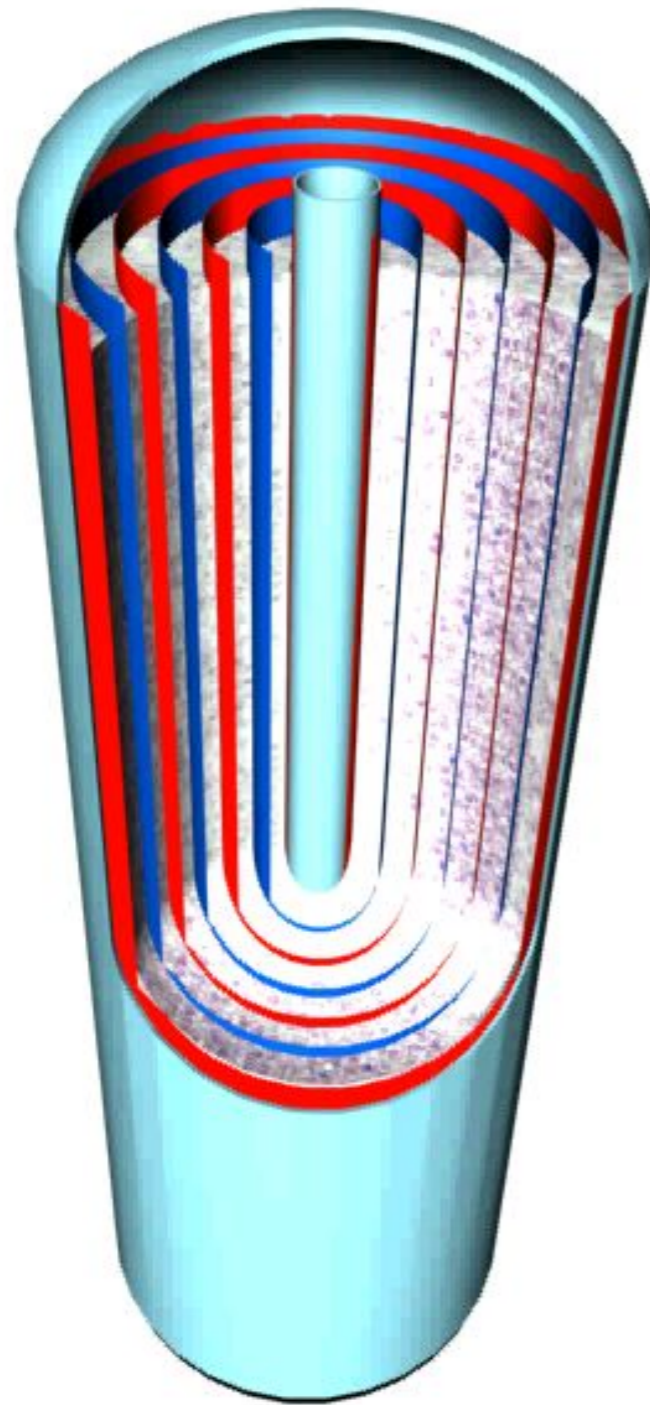
We have improved the uniformity of the magnetron energy distribution in the adsorbent volume

The problem of using one or a group of magnetrons to regenerate a large volume of adsorbent is the limited depth of wave energy penetration into the bulk of the material

The action of high frequency radiation makes it possible to effect on water molecules directly.



A similar effect can be achieved using pole plates



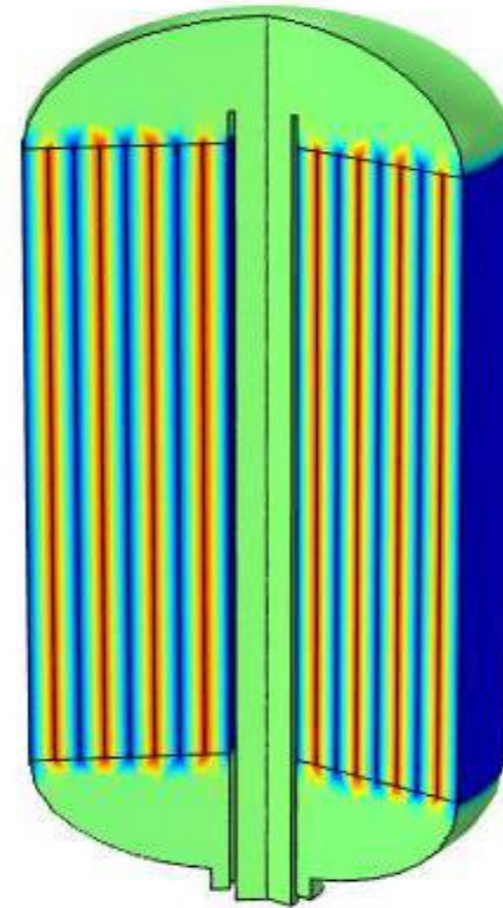
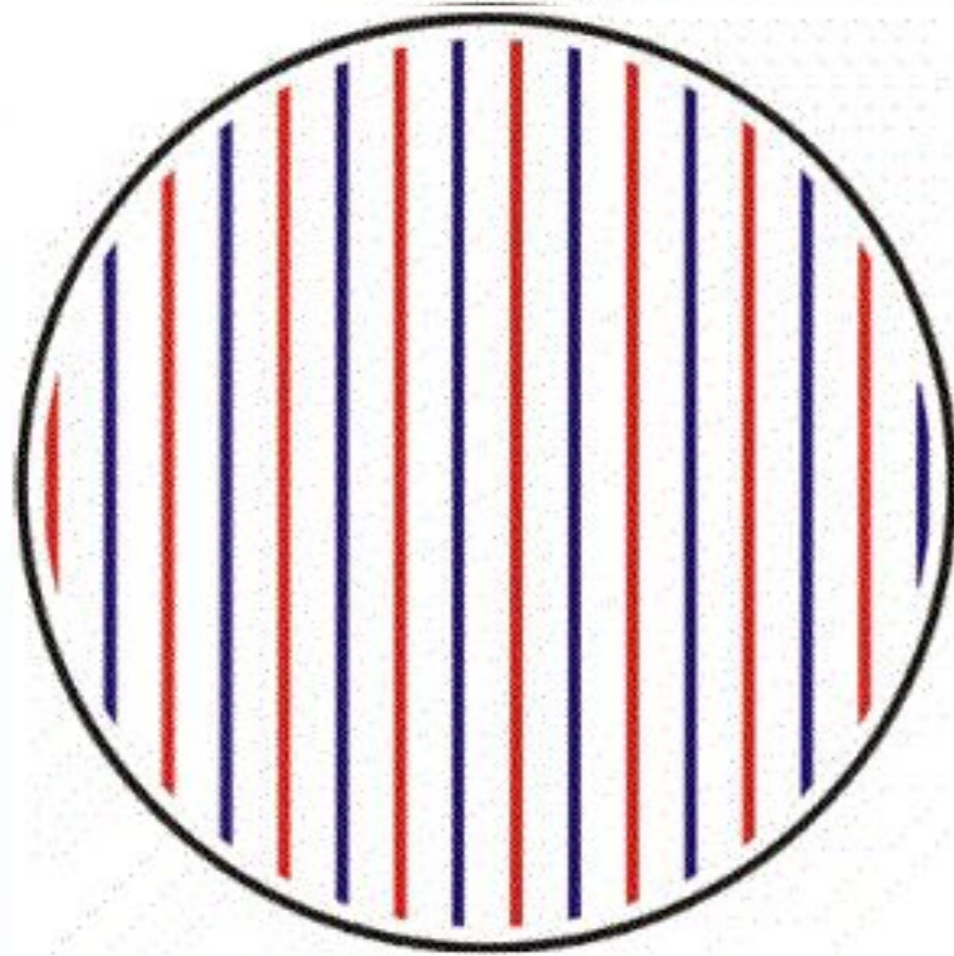
The technology we offer allows to achieve an even distribution of energy in large volumes and complex shapes

*We propose to divide the entire volume of the adsorbent by **parallel pole plates***

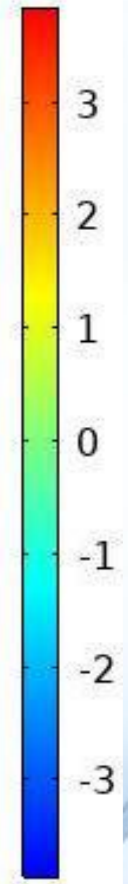
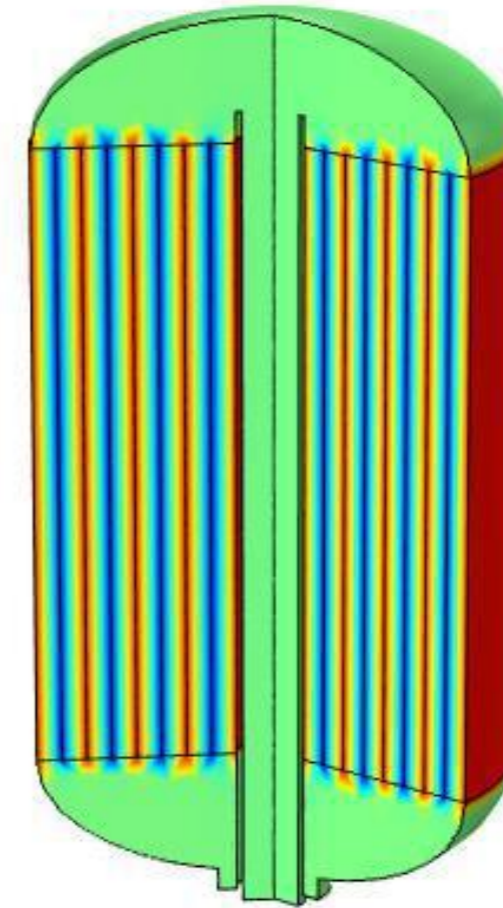
*We study various Pole plate designs
in terms of their placement in the volume of the adsorbent*



Surface: Electric potential (V)



2,45 GHz
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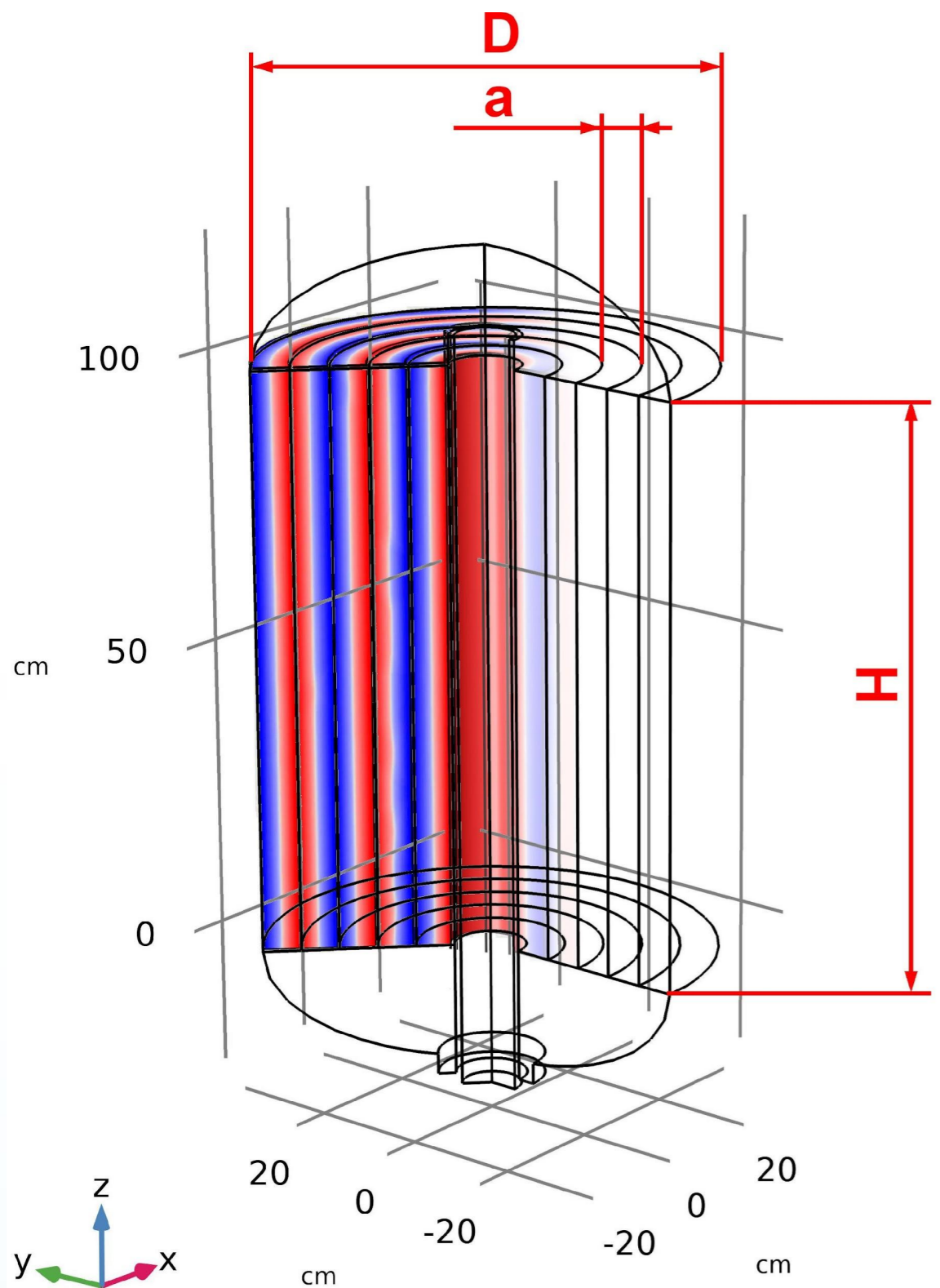


radial

spiral

parallel

Our research was carried out on a computer model built by us with the following characteristics:



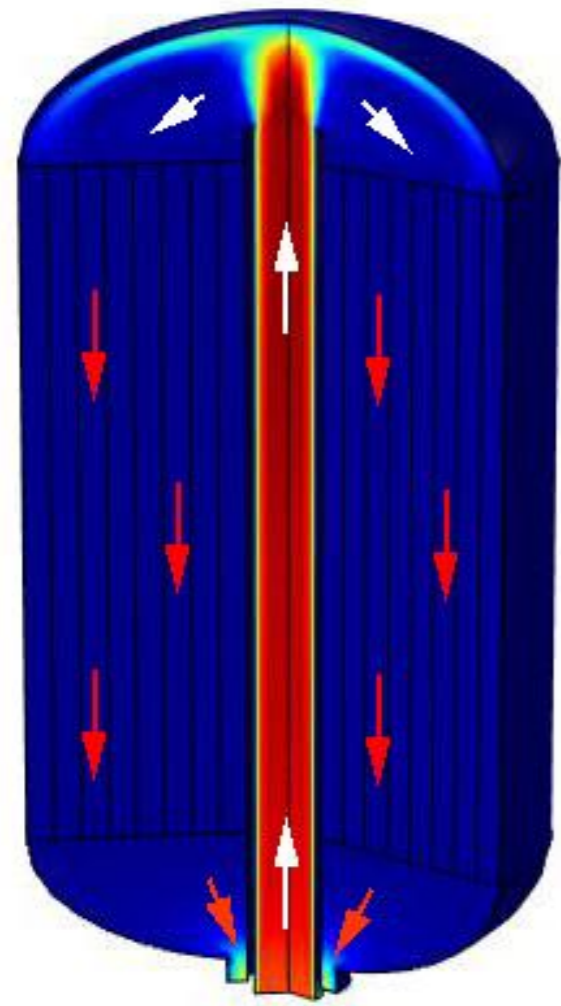
Dimension, mm:

Distance between the pole plates (a) 32 / 40 / 64

Column height (H) 1000

Column diameter (D) 760

Surface: Velocity magnitude (m/s)



Air velocity



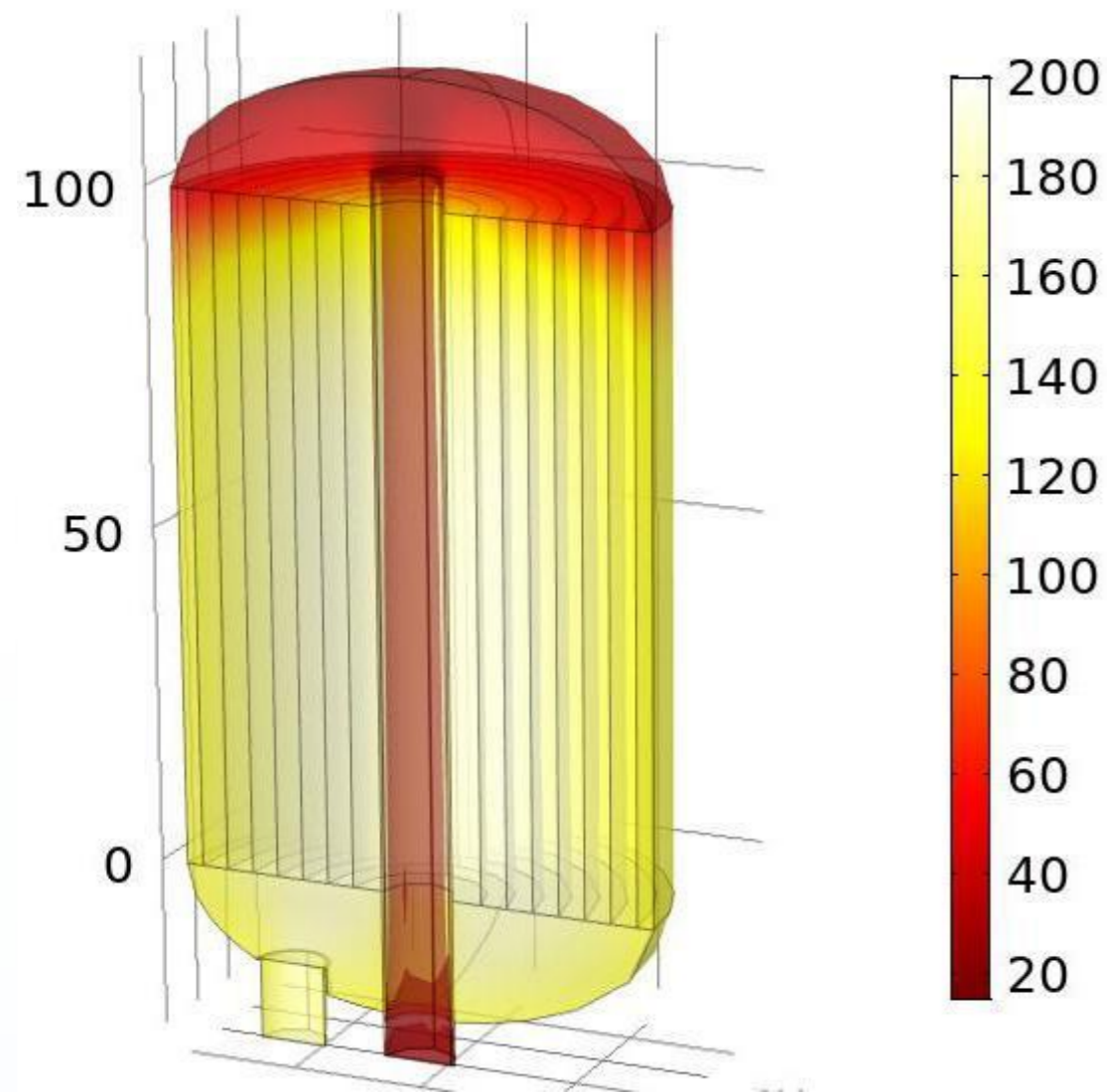
The movement of air in the volume of the adsorbent was modeled as a motion in a porous medium.

$$\rho(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = \nabla \left[-pl + \mu \left(\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T \right) - \frac{2}{3} \mu (\nabla \mathbf{g}_i) l \right] + F$$

$$\nabla \mathbf{g}(\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\dot{\sigma}_p} \rho(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} \frac{1}{\dot{\sigma}_p} = \nabla \left[-pl + \mu \frac{1}{\dot{\sigma}_p} \left(\nabla \mathbf{u} + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T \right) - \frac{2}{3} \mu \frac{1}{\dot{\sigma}_p} (\nabla \mathbf{g}_i) l \right] - \left(\mu k^{-1} + \beta_F |\mathbf{u}| \frac{\theta_m}{\dot{\sigma}_p^2} \right) \mathbf{u} + F$$

$$\nabla \mathbf{g}(\rho \mathbf{u}) = Q_m$$



Temperature

The influence of purge air flow on thermal processes in the column is calculated as dynamic heat transfer model

$$\rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \rho C_p v_{trans} \mathbf{g} \nabla T + \nabla \mathbf{g} \eta = Q + Q_{ted}$$

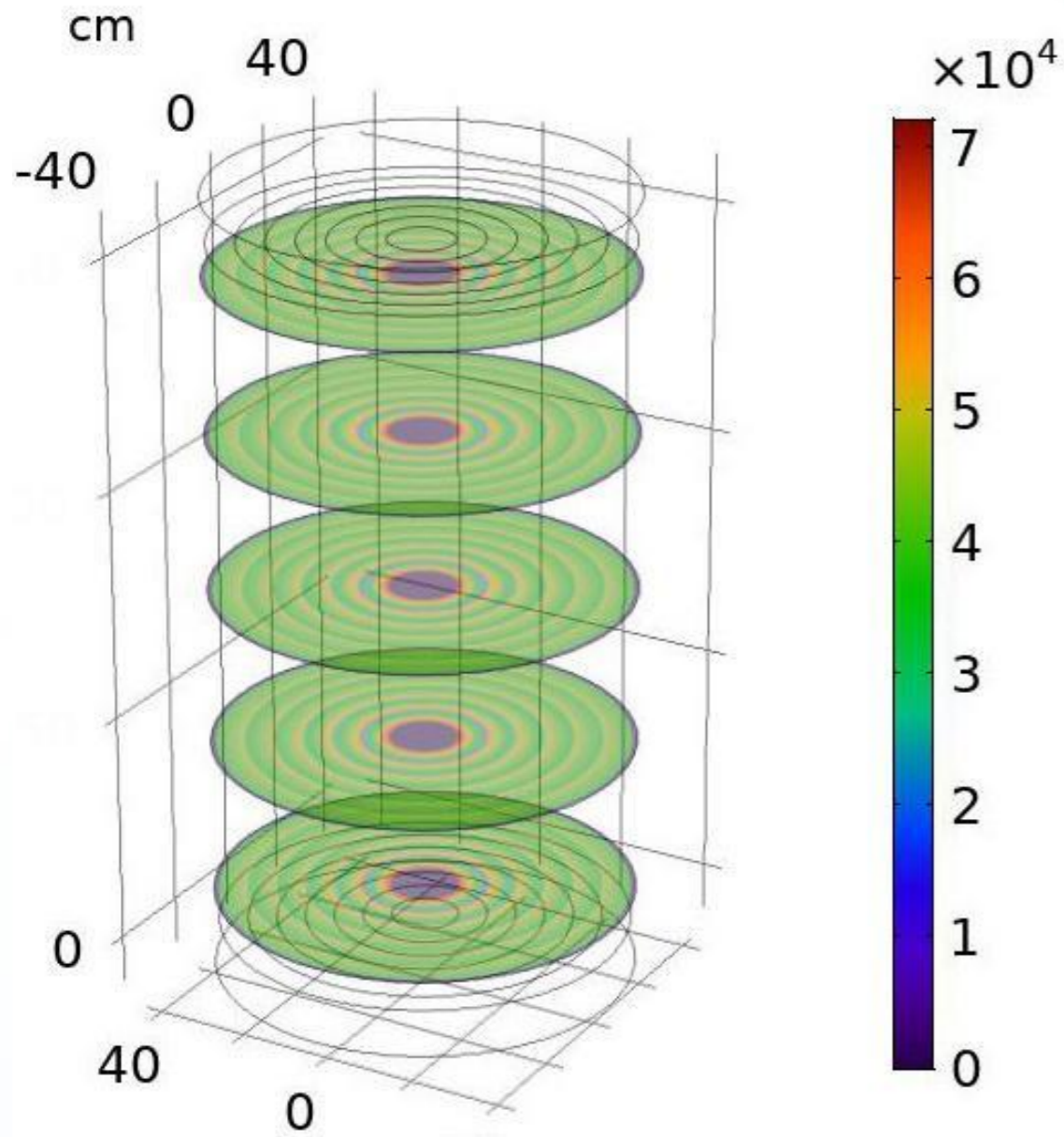
$$\rho C_p u \mathbf{g} \nabla T + \nabla \mathbf{g} \eta = Q + Q_{vd}$$

$$q = -k_{eff} \nabla T$$

The heating of the adsorbent due to the effect of alternating voltage

$$\rho C_p u \mathbf{g} \nabla T = \nabla \mathbf{g} (k \nabla T) + Q_e$$

$$Q_e = J \mathbf{g} E$$



Electric field

The electric field generated in adsorbent volume

$$\nabla \times (\mu_\gamma^{-1} \nabla \times E) - k_0^2 \left(\epsilon_\gamma - \frac{j\sigma}{\omega\epsilon_0} \right) E = 0$$

$$\nabla gJ = Q_{j,v}$$

$$J = \sigma E + j\omega D + J_e \quad \omega = 2\pi f$$

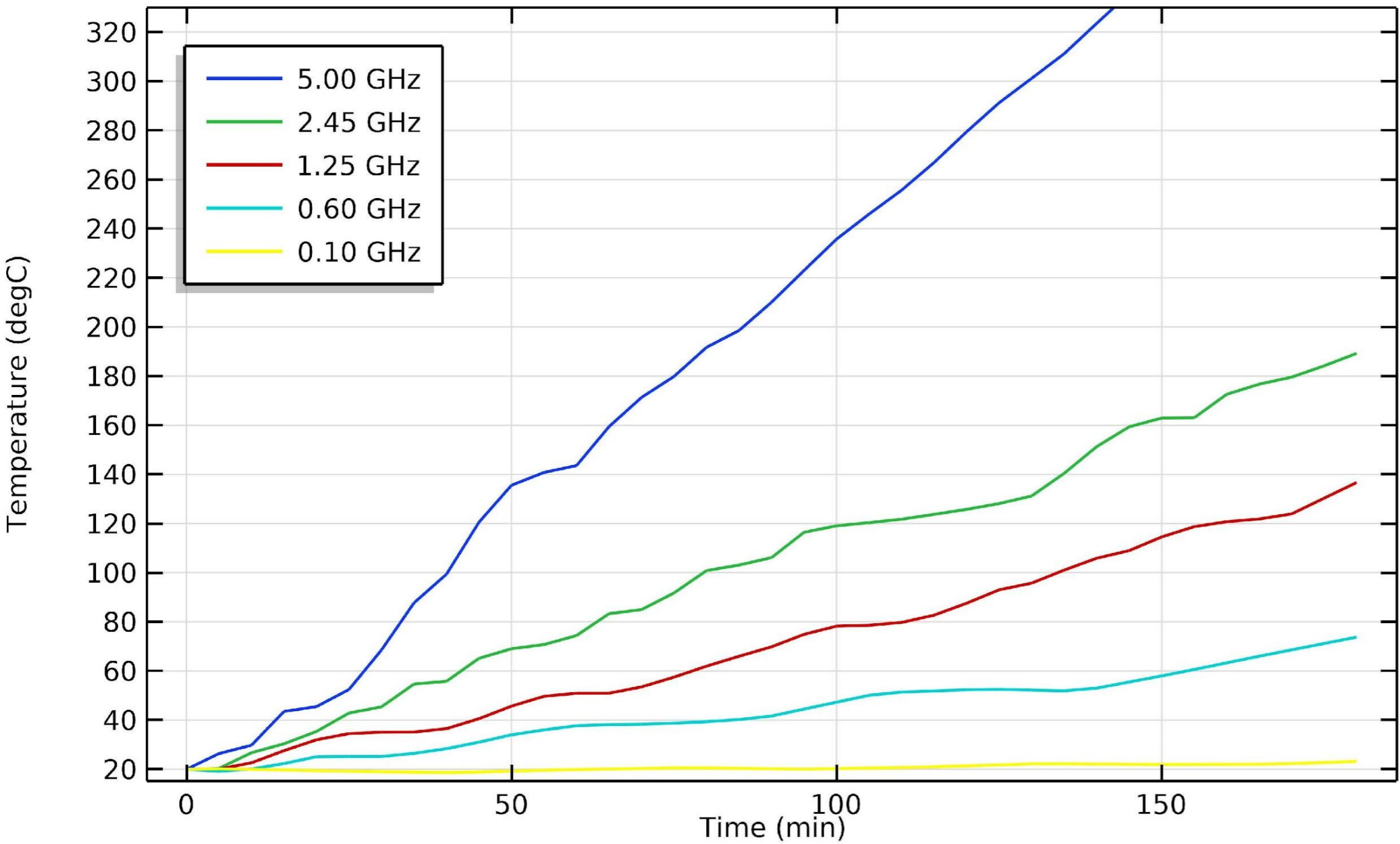
The force, which is affects on the water molecule

$$\bar{F} = \bar{\rho} g \bar{E}$$

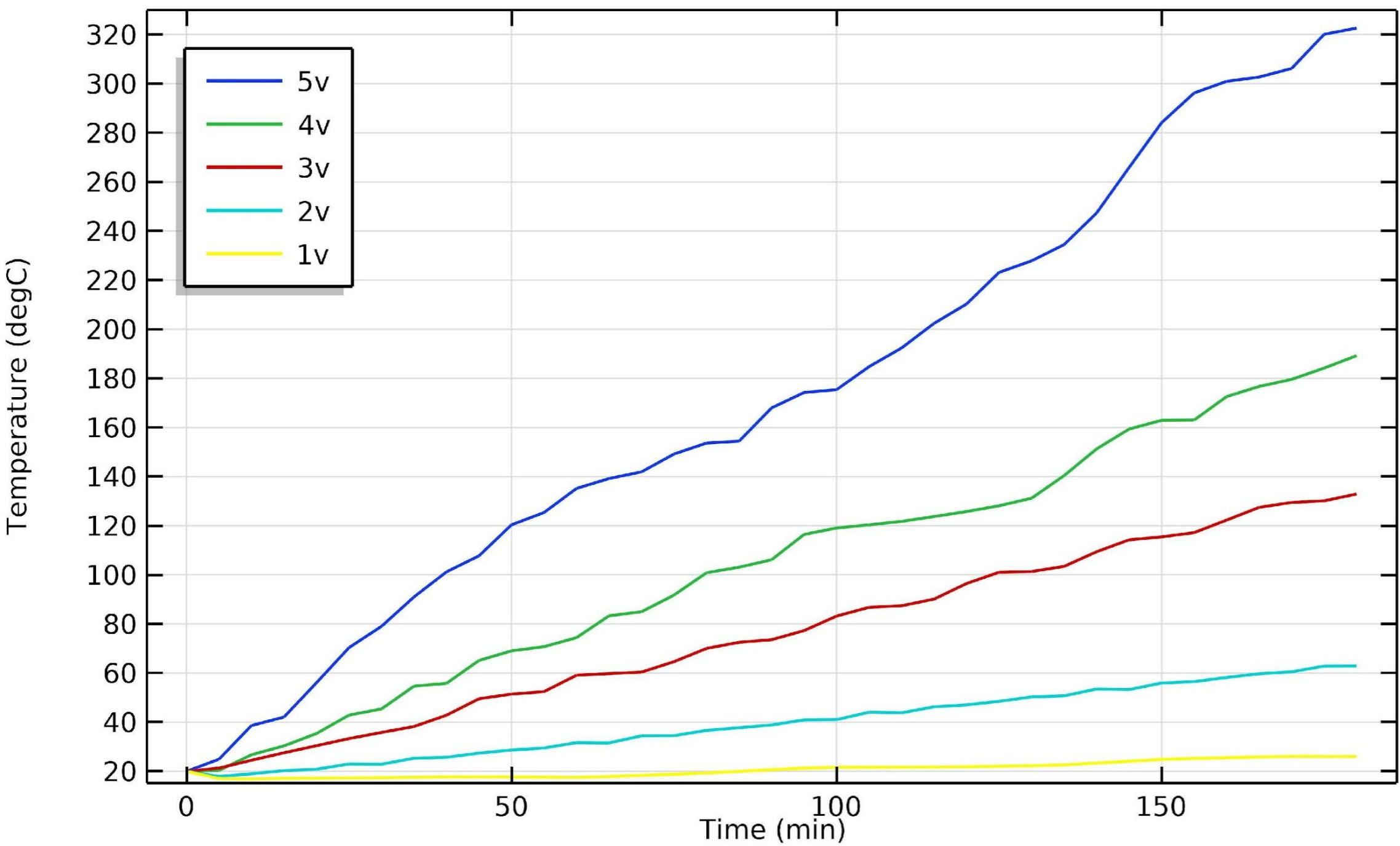
$$E = \frac{U}{d}$$

$$F = \sum_i \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial x_i} \rho_i$$

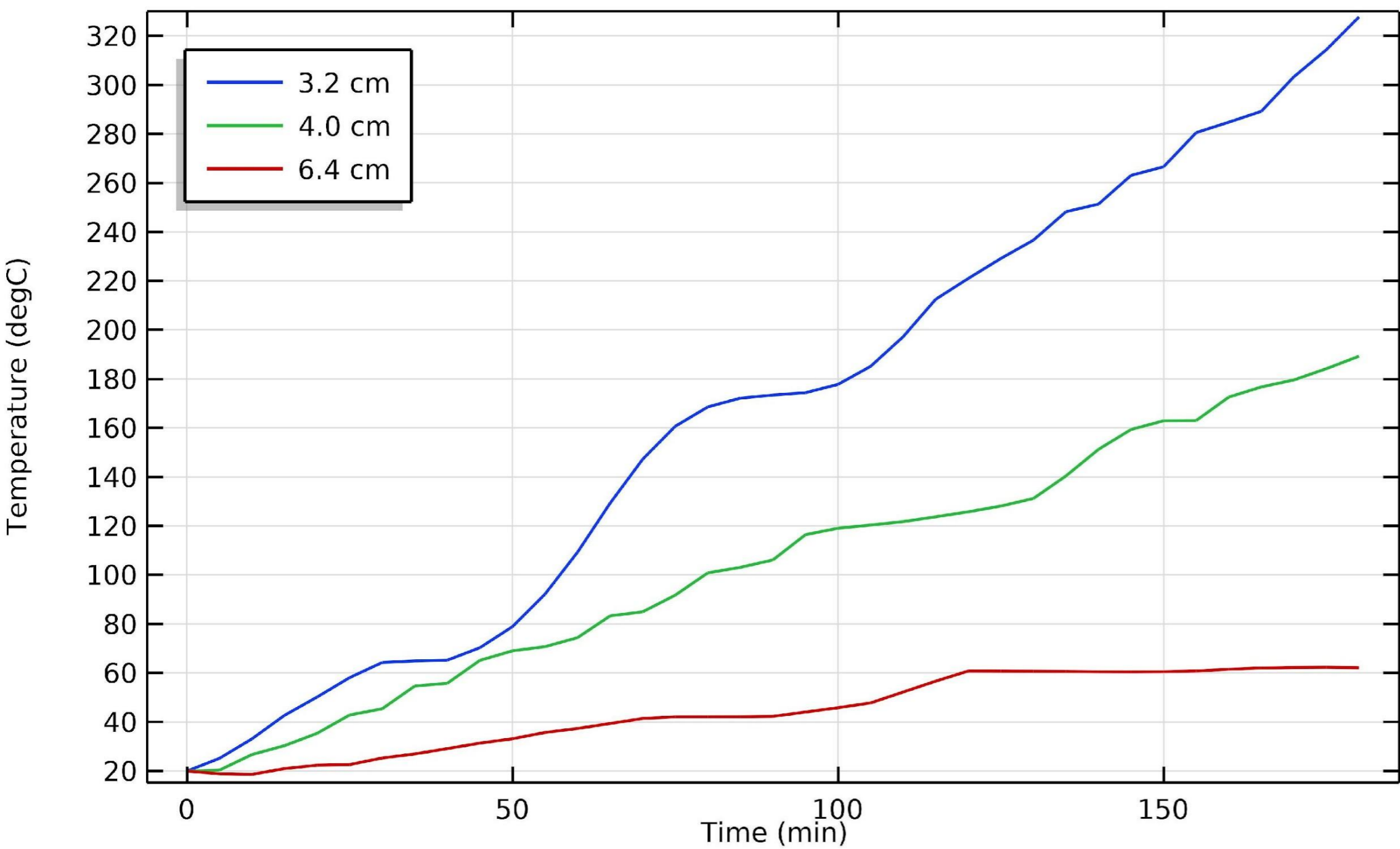
$$E = -\nabla V$$



The dependence of the heating intensity of exposure to microwave frequency [GHz]

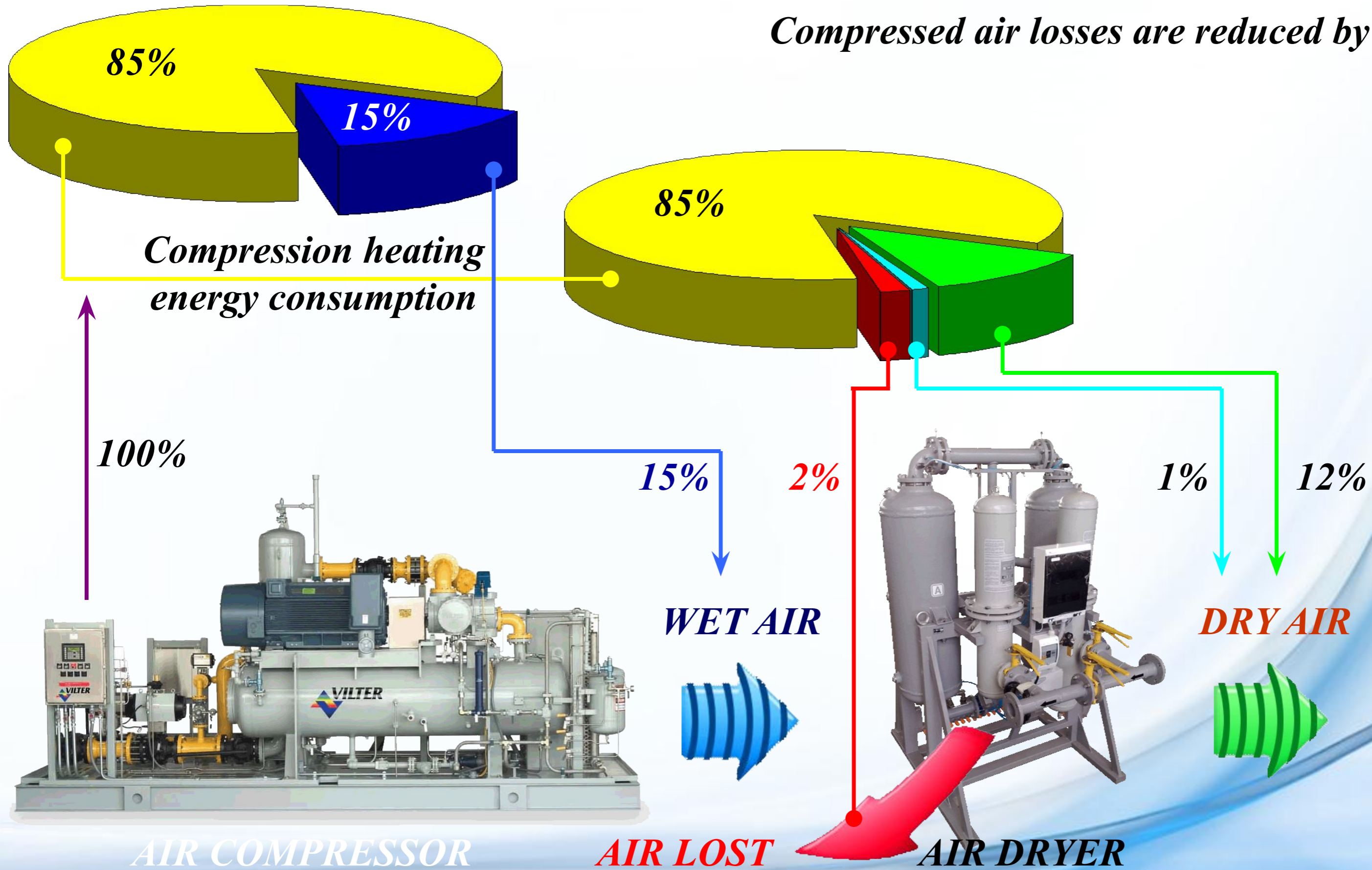


The dependence of the intensity of microwave exposure on the peak voltage on the pole plates [V]



The dependence of the intensity of microwave exposure on the distance between the pole plates [cm]

Compressed air losses are reduced by



The studied design allows the use of microwave regeneration in high-capacity dryers, reducing compressor energy consumption in the production of high-quality compressed air



*Thank You for Your time
and attention!*





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