

# ***THE EFFECTS OF ZINC INJECTION FROM HOT FUNCTION TEST AT TOMARI UNIT 3***

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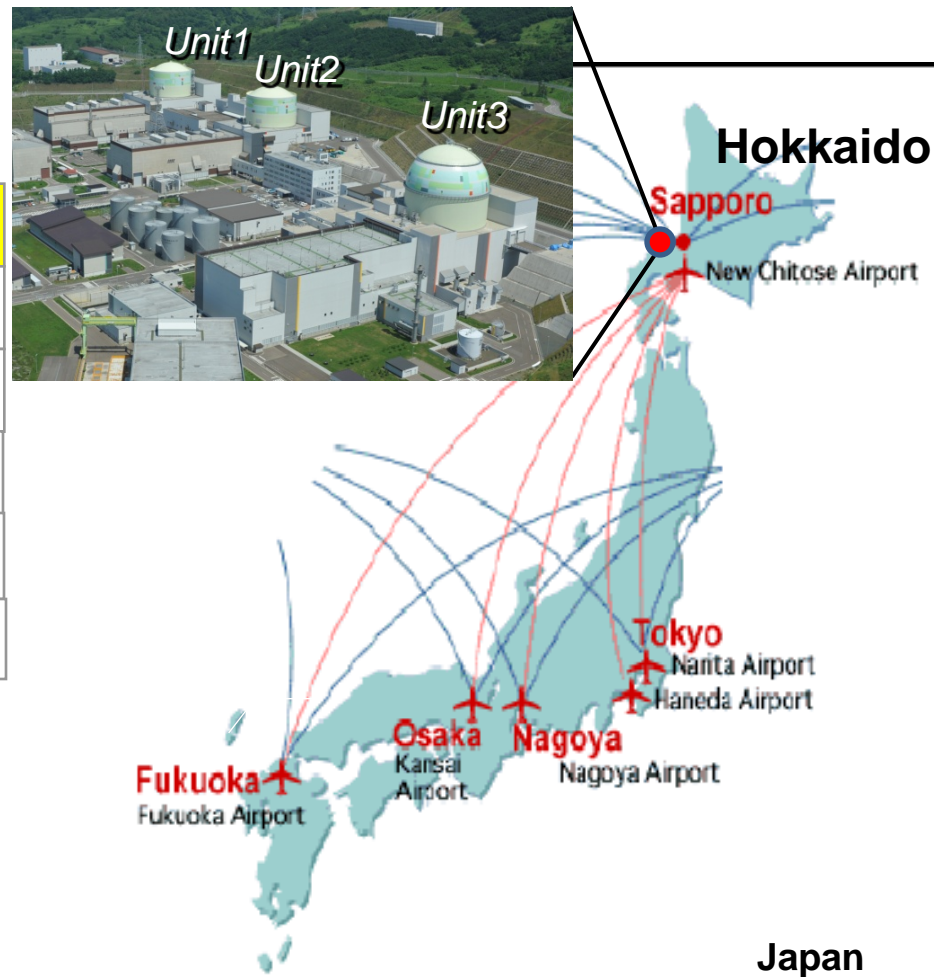
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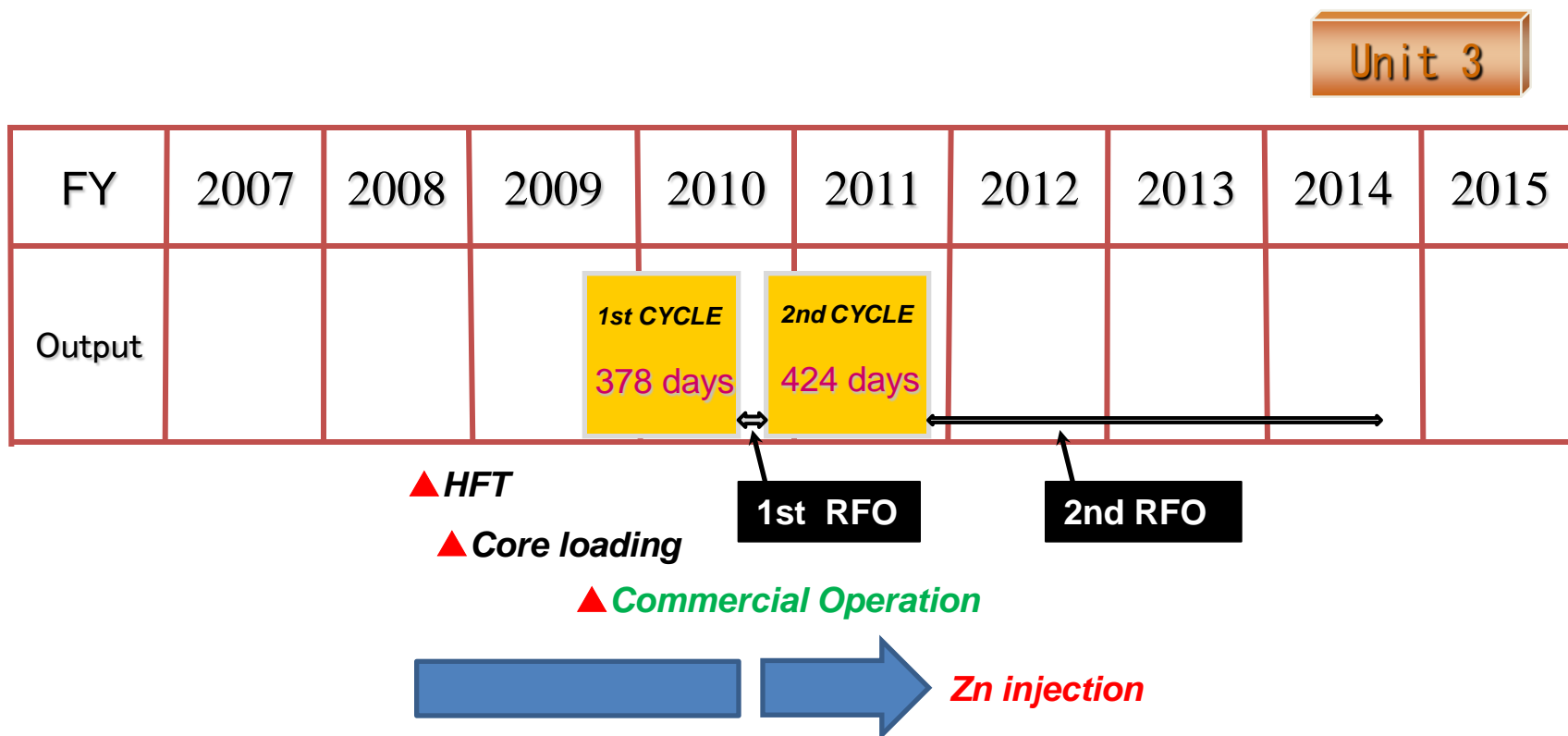
# Introduction to TOMARI NPS

	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3
Rated Electric Output	579MW	579MW	912MW
Reactor type	PWR		
Commercial Operation	1990	1992	2009
SG	600TT	600TT	690TT
Letdown flow	20m <sup>3</sup> /h		54m <sup>3</sup> /h



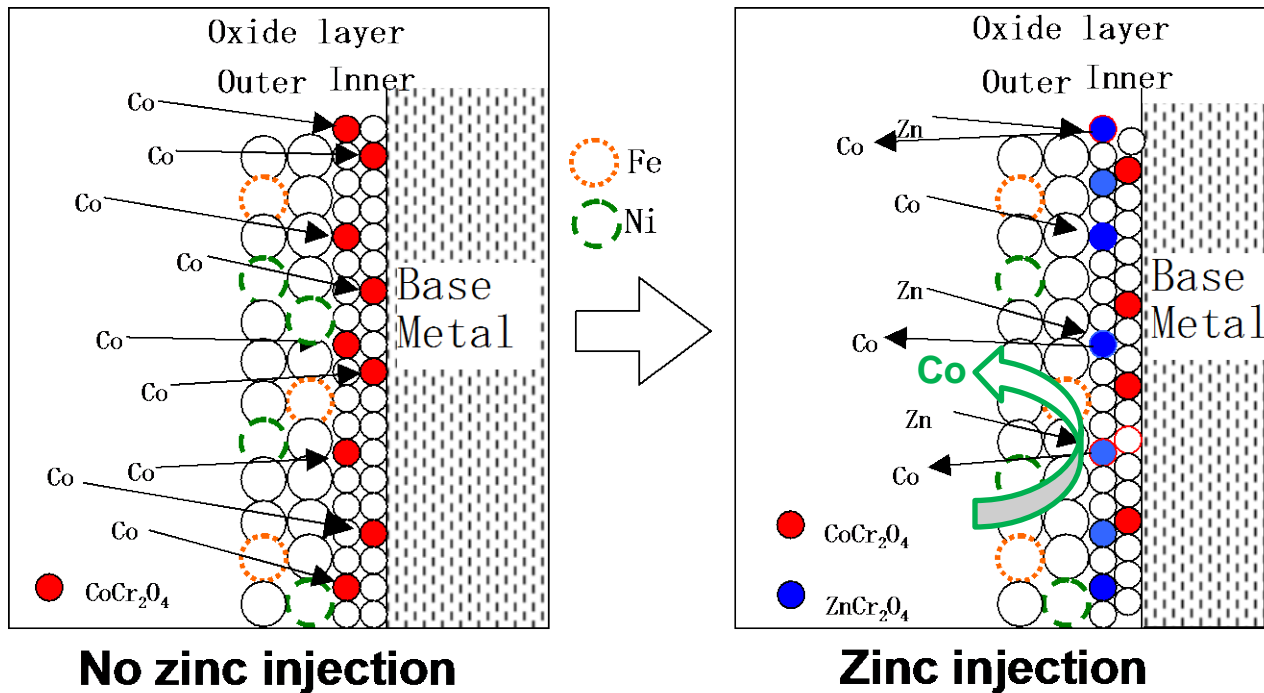
# Introduction to TOMARI NPS

## ■ Operated History of Unit 3



# Zinc injection

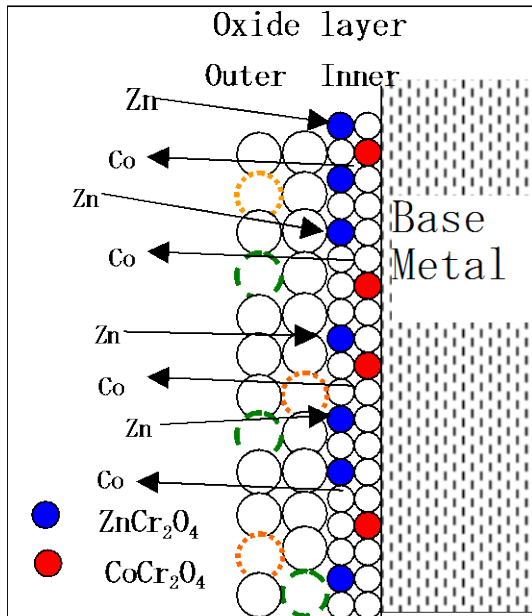
## ■ Zinc injection during power operation



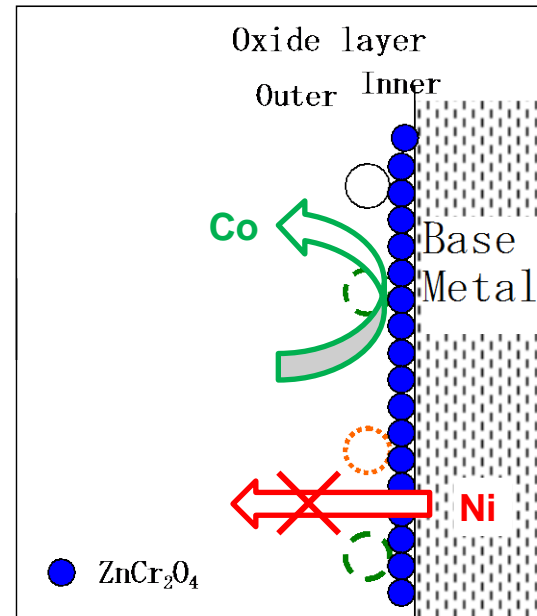
- ▶ Substitution of zinc for Co
- ▶ Suppression Co uptake into the inner oxide layer

# Zinc injection

## ■ Zinc injection from HFT



**Zinc injection during power operation**

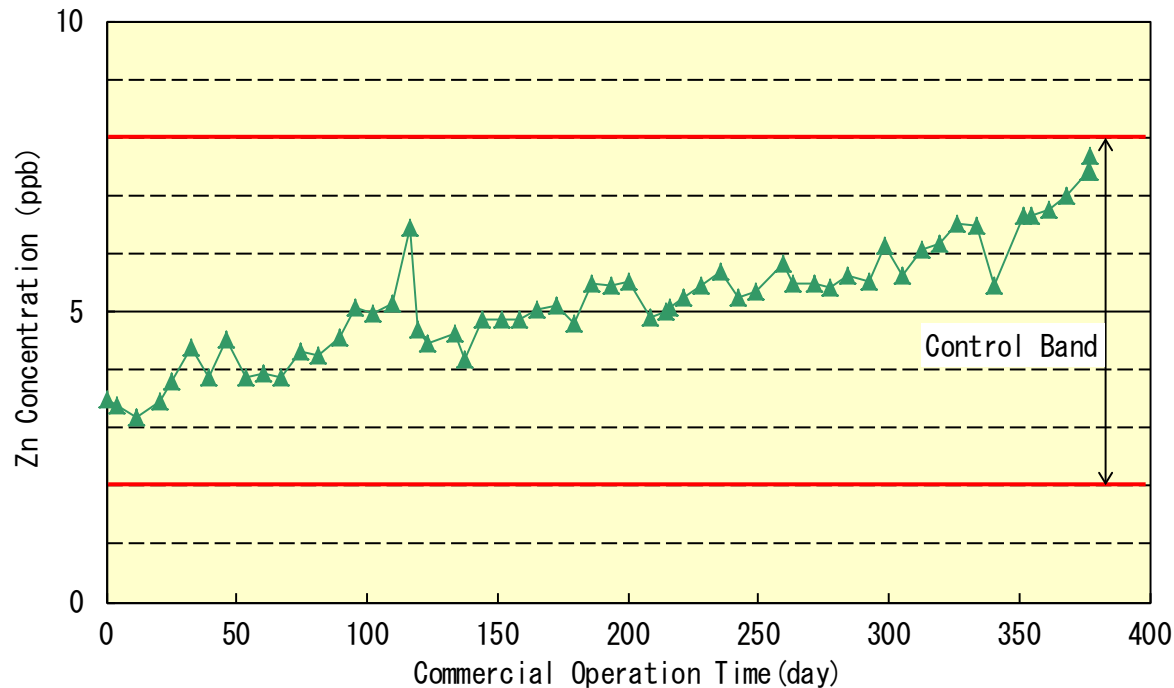


**Zinc injection from HFT**

- ▶ Suppression Co uptake into the inner oxide layer
- ▶ Corrosion suppression

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st CYCLE

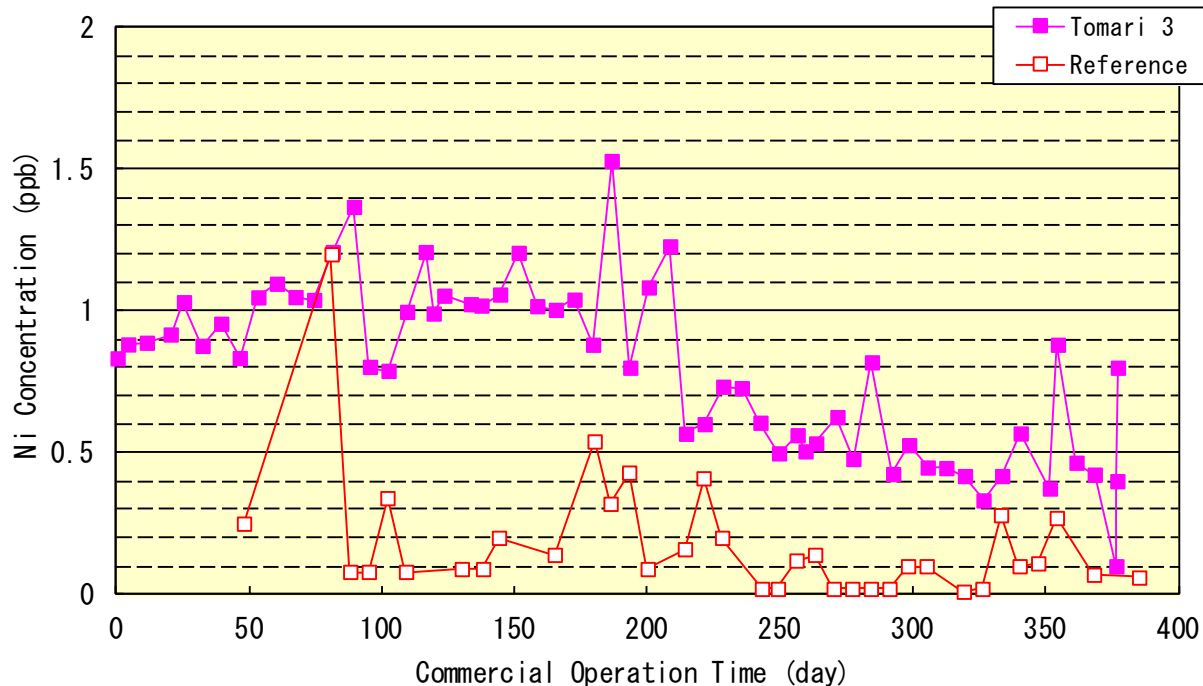
## ■ Zn concentration in the primary coolant



- ▶ Zinc concentration was controlled with the target concentration ( $5 \pm 3$ ppb).

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st CYCLE

## ■ Ni concentration in the primary coolant

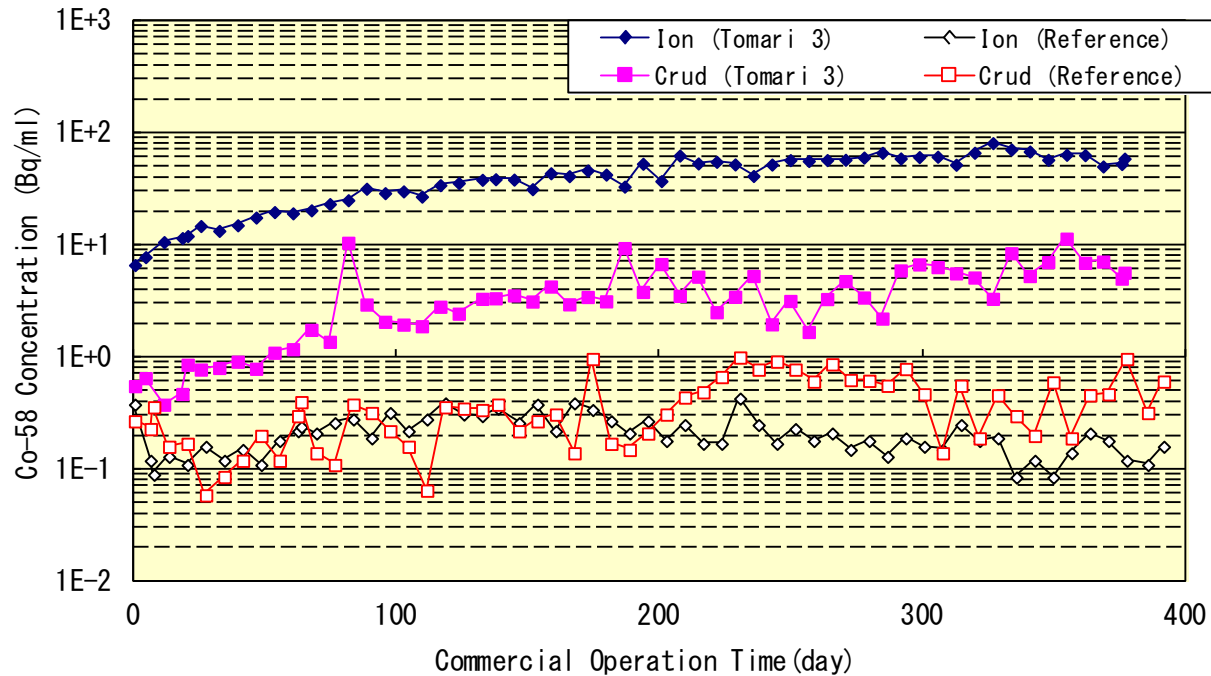


► Ni concentration was higher than that of the reference plant.

⇒ Ni releases from corrosion products and the base metal of SG tube.

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st CYCLE

## ■ Co-58 concentration in the primary coolant

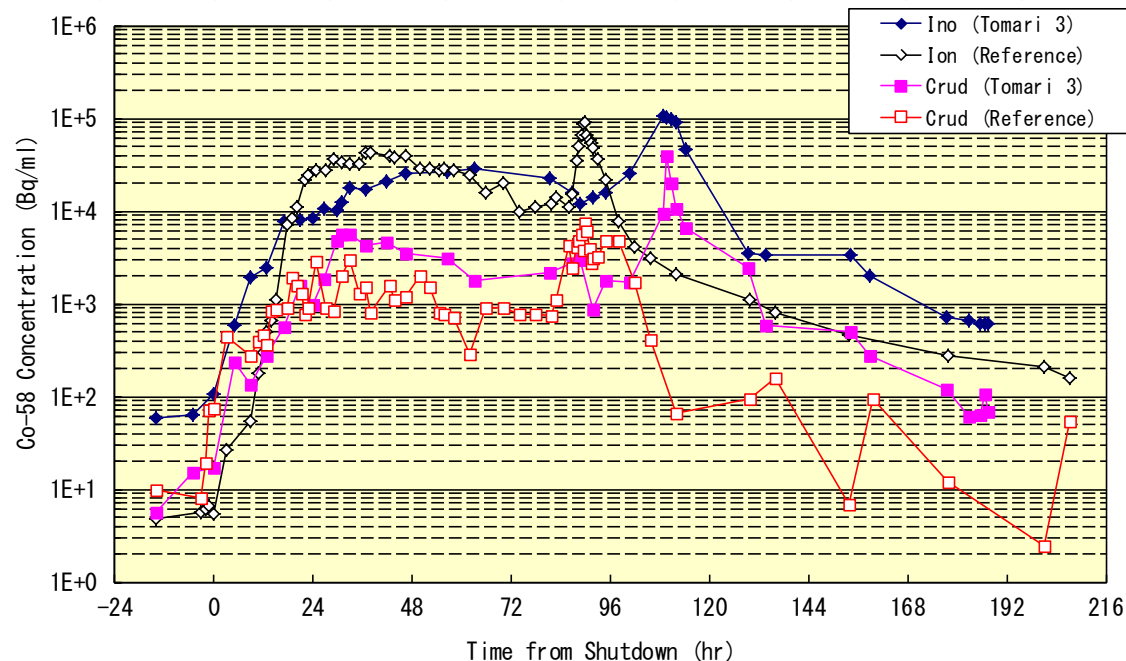


► The Co-58 concentration was higher than that of the reference plant.

⇒ Suppression Co uptake into inner oxide layer

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st RFO

## ■ Concentrations of radioactive Co-58 (Ion, Crud) in the primary coolant



- ▶ The particulate Co-58 was higher than that of the reference plant. The ionic Co-58 was at the same level as that of the reference plant.
  - ⇒ The amount of the corrosion product with a higher specific radioactivity has decreased.

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st RFO

## ■ Amount of Ni,Co-58,and Co-60 removal

	Tomari unit 3	Reference plant
Ni ( g )	3039	3639
Co-58 ( Bq )	$1.3 \times 10^{14}$	$1.2 \times 10^{14}$
Co-60 ( Bq )	$8.0 \times 10^{11}$	$5.2 \times 10^{11}$

- ▶ The amount of Ni removal was **about 20%** less than that of the reference plant.

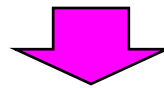
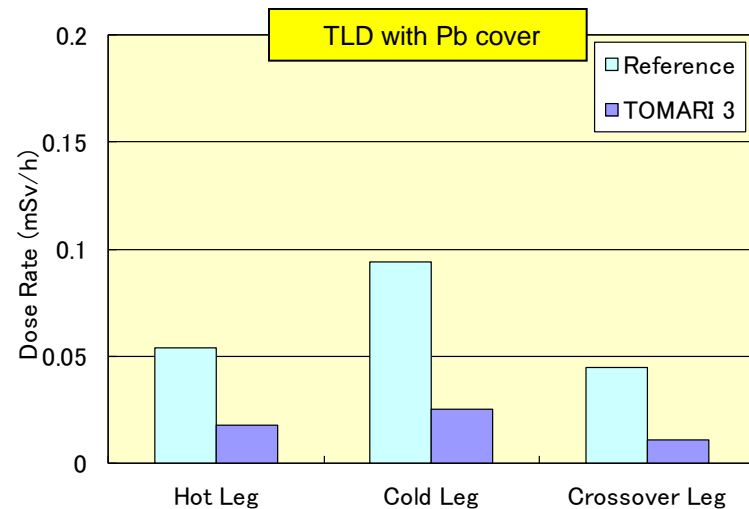
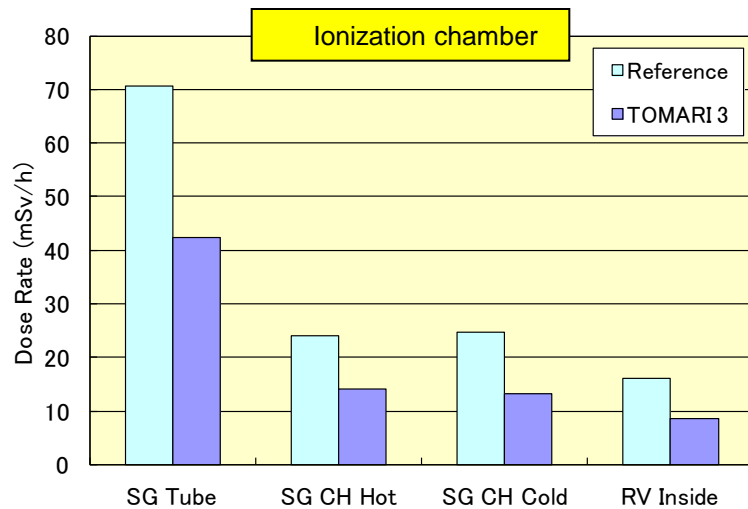
⇒ **Corrosion suppression effect**

- ▶ The amount of Co-58 removal was about equal to that of the reference plant.

⇒ **Suppression Co uptake into the inner oxide layer  
and decreasing Ni inventory**

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st RFO

## ■ Dose-rates on SG tube, SG CH,RV Inside, and MCP



► The dose-rates at SG , RV inside and MCP were **about over 40%** less than those of the reference plant.

⇒ **The dose-rate reduction effect with zinc injection is about 40-60% at the 1st RFO.**

# EXPERIENCES OF 1st RFO

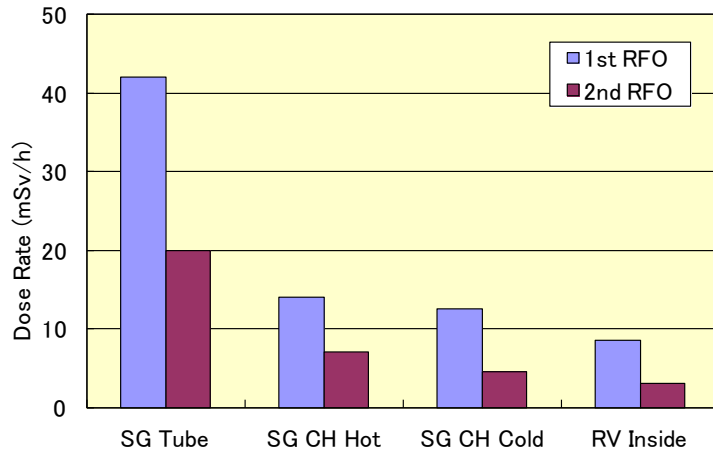
## ■ Evaluation of Radiation Source Inventory [TBq]

	Tomari unit 3	Reference plant
Co-58 inventory	22.2	43.2
Co-60 inventory	0.9	2.1
Radiation source inventory	<b>24.2</b>	<b>48.1</b>

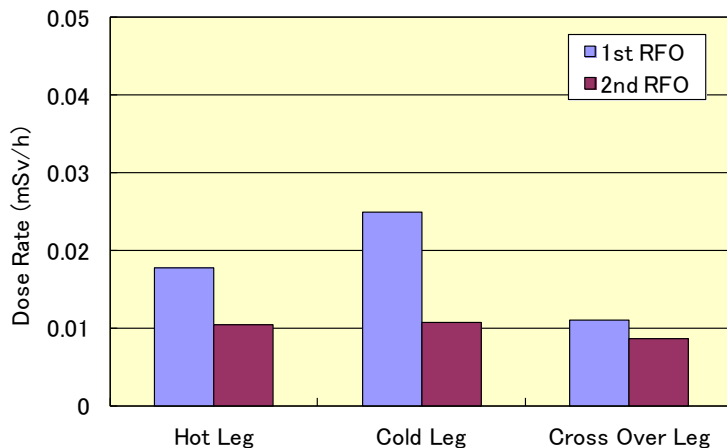
▶ The Co-58, Co-60 and radiation source inventory were **about 50%** less than those of the reference plant.

⇒ **These are in good consistency with the actual dose-rates on the main components.**

## EXPERIENCES OF 2nd RFO



- ▶ The dose-rates on SG tube, SG CH and RV Inside at the 2nd RFO were **about 50-60%** less than those at the 1st RFO.



- ▶ The dose-rates on MCP at the 2nd RFO were **about 20-60%** less than those at the 1st RFO.

## CONCLUSION

- ✓ At the 1st RFO, the dose-rates at the main components are about 50% less than that of the reference plant, as a similar trend to the radiation source inventory.
- ✓ Considerable dose-rate reduction at the 2nd RFO was confirmed compared to the 1st RFO.
- ✓ From now on, further dose-rate reduction effect is expected.

Thank you for your Attention.

