

Status of nested corrector activities at CIEMAT

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One year ago: executive summary

- After a fine-tuning of the design, the first series B-type magnet (MCBXFB01) was the first one to fulfil all the specifications.
- The series contract was awarded to Elytt Energy. The first B-type coil was produced in September 2021.
- The winding of the first A-type coil had just started at CIEMAT.

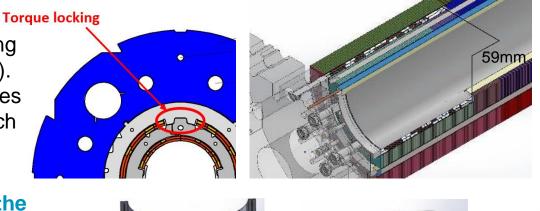


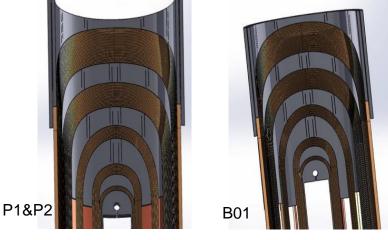
Reminder: design fine-tuning (MCBXFB01)

- Torque locking is only possible along the OD pole window (828 mm long). ID pole window of magnet prototypes was 946 mm long => 59 mm at each side **without torque locking**.
- MCBXFB01 inner coil length was shortened by 118 mm to reduce the unlocked length at coil ends.
- In addition, endspacers legs were enlarged to increase the rigidity at the transition from the straight section to the coil heads.

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MCBXF production strategy

Based on MCBXFB01 results, it was decided to:

- Manufacture the rest of the B-type magnets for the series in Elytt according to the same fine-tuning of the design.
- Reassemble the second prototype with new shorter inner coils produced by Elytt: MCBXFBP2c.
- Apply the design fine-tuning to the A-type magnets, starting with the prototype being developed at CIEMAT.
- Implement some improvements to ease the magnet assembly:
 - New distribution of collar packages
 - Re-design endplates



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MCBXF series contract

- Contract signed with Elytt Energy at March 2021: delivery of 6 long (A) and 11 short (B) MCBXF magnets.
- All documents and templates (technical specification, acceptance criteria, manufacturing and inspection plan, quality documentation...) have been agreed with CERN.
- CIEMAT has prepared detailed procedures with pictures for each step of production.
- CIEMAT staff has been at Elytt premises during six months for know-how transfer on coil production. Daily support for production follow-up, questions and incident solving.
 CERN and CIEMAT staff has supported the first magnet assembly.
- CIEMAT is supporting Elytt to contact suppliers for components, tooling and materials.
- In-kind contribution of some components: end-spacers, collars (CIEMAT), cable, steel for collars, iron plates, magnetic test bench and magnet lifting tooling (CERN).



MCBXF series: quality assurance

- **Quality controls** of each step of production are defined in the manufacturing and inspection plan (MIP).
- Traceability is guaranteed thanks to documentation stored in MTF.

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MCBXF series: Elytt Energy facilities

Two closed **clean areas** with controlled humidity and temperature:

- Coil production: two lines (winding machine + binder mould + impregnation), component preparation (preforming ground insulation and collaring shoes, collar package assembly, collared coil assembly).
- Magnet assembly: collaring press, yoke assembly, magnetic measurements and final electrical measurements.



Hall with two clean areas: coils (left) and magnets (right)



Coil production area

Magnet assembly area





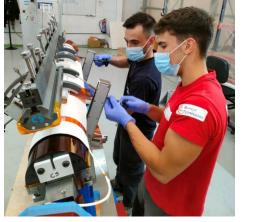
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MCBXF series: coil production

- Delicate production process with a long learning curve.
- Three inner coils and one outer coil are in quarantine because of **faulty impregnation**.
- Two inner coils were used for reassembly of second prototype (MCBXFBP2c) to validate the production techniques.
- Only B-type coils up to now. A-type coil production is being set-up.





Coil winding







Binder curing



Impregnation mould assembly

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MCBXF series: first magnet assembly MCBXFB02

CERN and CIEMAT staff have provided in-site support for the assembly of the first B-type magnet (Summer 2022).

Current lead routing













Magnet with iron yoke

More info at parallel session next Wednesday morning (F. Toral)

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Reassembly of second short prototype: MCBXFBP2c

- The performance of the second prototype in combined powering was not so good as expected (Summer 2020).
- It was decided to replace the inner coils with ones with shorter pole window and extended endspacer legs (same design than MCBXFB01).
- The **objective** is three-fold:
 - To improve P2 magnet performance
 - To confirm the effectiveness of the design fine-tuning
 - As the two inner coils have been produced at Elytt, its assembly will provide an "early" qualification of the series coil fabrication process
- The same outer coils used during MCBXFBP2b assembly have been assembled in MCBXFBP2c.



Magnet reassembly at CERN (927 lab)

- Some improvements are implemented to ease the magnet assembly:
 - Yoke rods assembled with nuts embedded in end plate
 - Collar packages redistributed to optimise collaring assembly transitions
- New parts necessary for the reassembly were produced at Ciemat: ground insulation, collaring shoes, support structure (endplates, pushers..):



Collaring shoes assembly



Inner dipole at collaring press

Problem with threaded rods in MCBXFB01

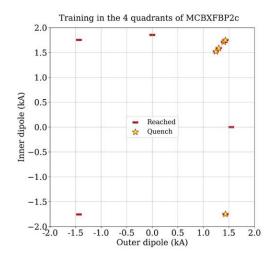


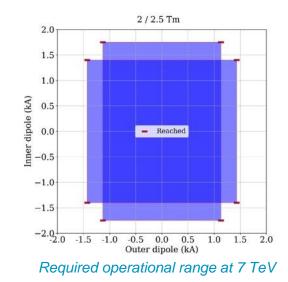


Test results

No quenches in **standalone** powering up to ultimate current. **Only 5 quenches** in the whole campaign vs. **85** in the previous assembly MCBXFBP2b. No quenches after the **thermal cycle**, even with 250 cycles as a first **endurance** test. Magnetic **field quality** is within requirements.

Specifications are fulfilled: **spectacular improvement**.







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MCBXBP2c at SM18





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MCBXFA prototype

- This is the longest magnet ever produced at CIEMAT.
- The coil production tooling was modified to produce inner coils with shorter pole window, like B-type magnets.
- We use the same fabrication techniques that are being used for the B-type coils.
- The prototype components are being produced at CIEMAT:
 - Three finished inner coils.
 - First outer coil impregnated. Outer layer of second coil is being wound.
 - Ground insulation preforming, collaring shoes and collar packages ongoing.
 - Tooling: only the assembly magnet tooling is not finished yet.
 - Iron yoke close to be finished.
 - Endplates and connection plate finished.
- Assembly and tests will be done at CERN in November.



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MCBXFA prototype: inner dipole coils (I)



Inner layer winding

- No significant difficulties for winding.
- Assembly of binder mould in one day is challenging.

Binder mould assembly



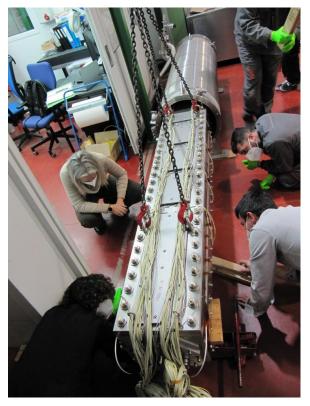


MCBXFA prototype: inner dipole coils (II)



Inner coil impregnation

- Assembly of impregnation mould is delicate because of the tight tolerances for such a long coil.
- Long time for resin injection. Ongoing improvements.



Introduction of impregnation mould into vacuum chamber

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MCBXFA prototype: inner dipole coils (III)



First finished inner coil











MCBXFA prototype: outer dipole coils



- Difficult winding of inner layer (105 turns).
- Challenging assembly of impregnation mould.
- Very slow injection of resin.



First layer winding

Impregnation mould assembly



Conclusions

- A fine-tuning of the design was successfully implemented in the first series short magnet MCBXFB01.
- Series fabrication contract was awarded to Elytt Energy.
- This design fine-tuning was implemented to reassemble the second prototype with inner dipole coils produced by Elytt. Powering testS validated the finetuning and Elytt coils.
- The components of the long prototype MCBXFAP1 are being manufactured at CIEMAT. The magnet assembly will be done at CERN in November.



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