

Western Cooling Efficiency Center Research Update

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Next Generation Heat Pump Testing

UC Davis Project for Electric Power Research Institute
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Three-phase project

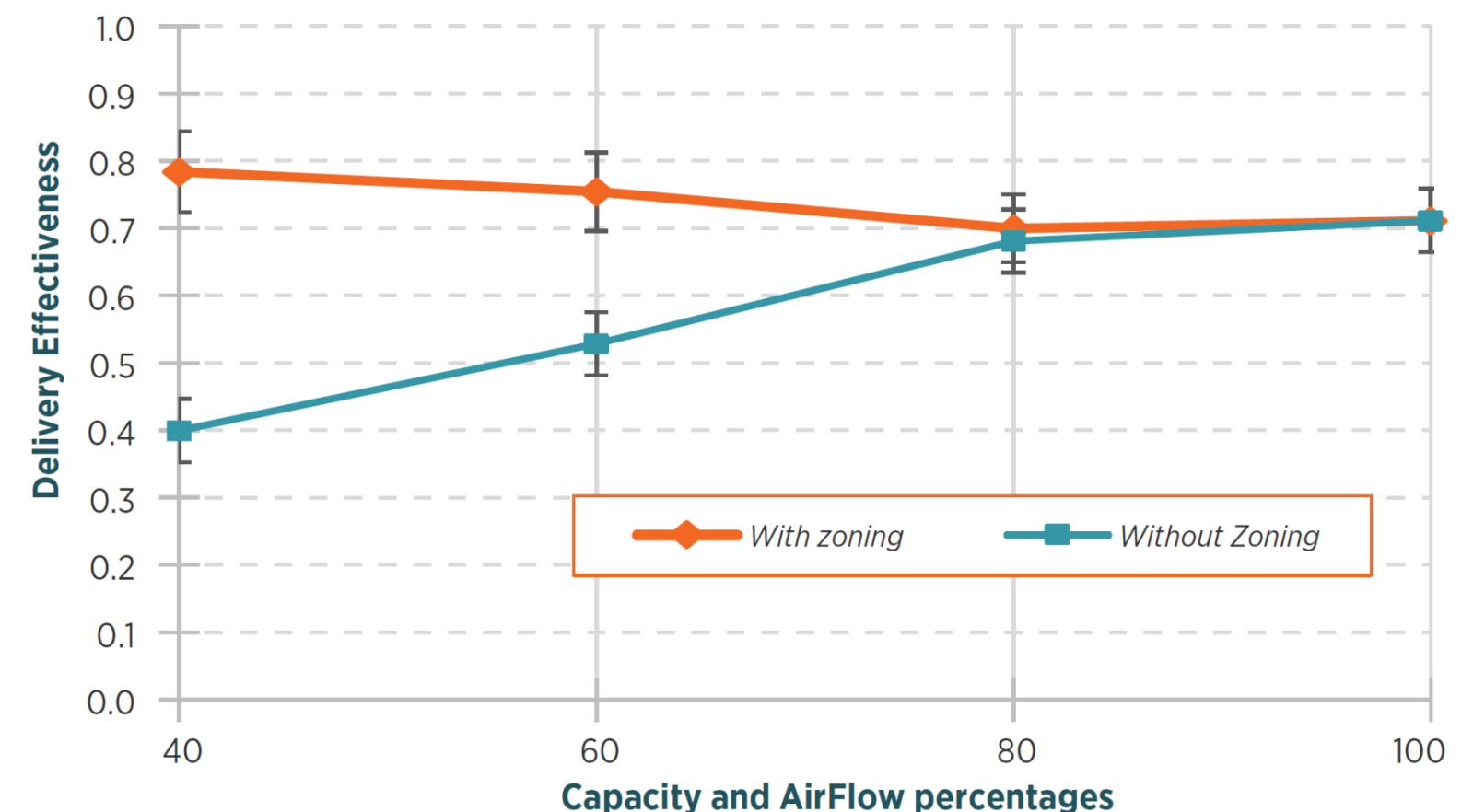
- » Variable-speed, single-zone lab testing
- » Variable-speed, multi-zone lab testing
- » Field testing (in process)

UC Davis Objectives

- » **Lab Testing of variable capacity equipment**
 - Impact of R-6 duct system in unconditioned space
 - Impact of zoning controls
- » **Develop/test model of equipment and ducts**



System COP versus duct-zone temperature for different operating modes. Setting refers to capacity/airflow percentages



Low-Cost Shallow Bore Ground-Source Heat Pump

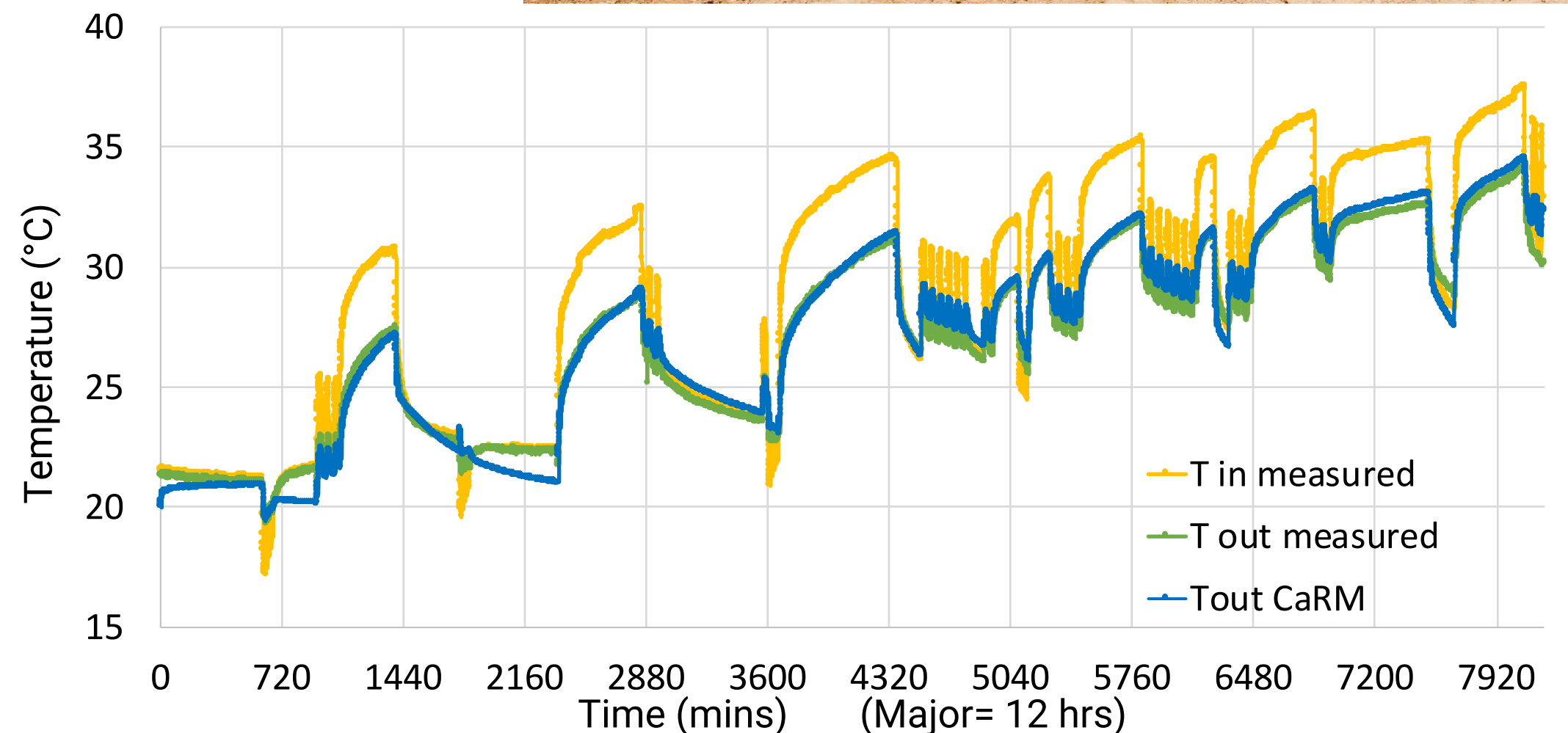
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Overall Objective

- » Develop tools to facilitate market acceptance of low-cost ground heat exchangers
 - HE design guidelines
 - Installation best practices
 - Modeling tools
- » Facilitate market acceptance of GHEs
- » Provide T24 compliance tools

Status

- » Detailed models developed
- » Lab testing this summer



Residential Retrofits

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Overall Objective

- » Develop retrofit packages for existing homes
 - Cooling system replaced with SWEC
 - Aerosol envelope sealing
 - Whole house ventilation
- » Measure performance
 - Energy use
 - Indoor air quality

Status

- » Baseline data collected
- » Aerosol envelope sealing completed in Fall 2018
- » Ventilation system and SWEC install in Spring 2019

Aerosol Sealing Profile

