

# Whitepaper: The Octopus Architecture

## Next-Generation Thermal Efficiency & Remote Drone Deployment with Circular Solar Wind farms and CS innovations

**Recycled wind e-waste and composites:** may help supply-chain some drone parts, supports thermal management and powered by “Circular Solar Wind” farms for: Agriculture, Data-Center, Energy uses.

Ukraine, UK to Co-Produce Octopus-100 Interceptor Drones

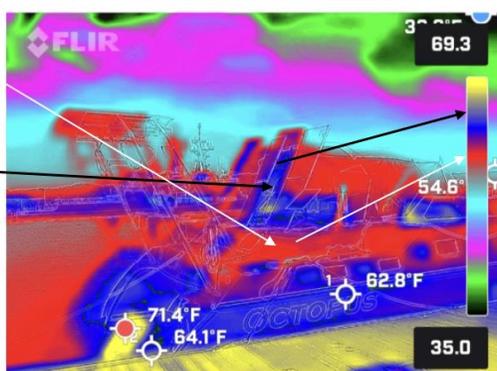


The newest systems are to be deployed on the borders of NATO allies as part of the so-called “drone wall” to deter the increasingly frequent intrusions of Russian aircraft and drones into NATO airspace.



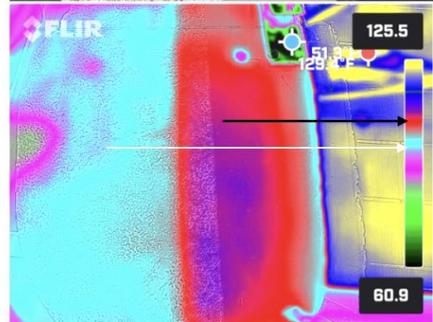
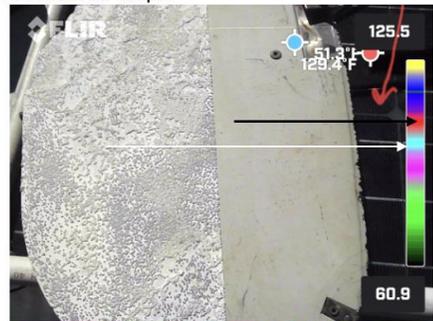
Ukrainian Interceptor drone in 2025. Photo credits: Military. In the future, the OCTOPUS drones could also become an element of missile defense to protect military installations and critical infrastructure in the UK.

[Letter to DOC Sec. 232 Wind includes adding drones to protect Wind assets.](#)



Wind, vessel composites, like drones, its improved white albedo about 8F cooler (on a cool day) versus darker taupe.

Black plastic solar Panel up to 125F



**Thermal performance metric for Commercial drones (interceptor drones are much faster):**

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**1. The Octopus-100: A Paradigm Shift in Energy Density**

As detailed in the **Octopus-100** white/silver-model specifications, this system represents a breakthrough in integrated Solar-BESS (Battery Energy Storage System) design.

- The Octopus-100 Model:** A modular, high-density energy core designed for extreme thermal resilience.
- Octopus Testbed Data:** Analysis of the thermal efficiency curves indicates a superior ability to manage heat dissipation during rapid discharge/recharge cycles. This efficiency is the "engine" that allows for the highest energy density in the pollution management class, preventing the thermal throttling typical of traditional BESS units.

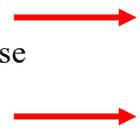
**2. Thermal Performance Analysis: Grey vs. White-Silver Albedo**

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Critical for commercial drones which provide surveillance for self-defense interceptor drones or need long working times for inspections (Grid, Wind, Oil & Gas, Mining) or logistics, delivery drones for Amazon.





Demo and solar-battery-electric propulsion speed tests on testbed OCTOPUS in 2023.

Where the test included for how long OCTOPUS could cruise at <5mph speeds on net solar-propulsion power while charging other equipment, like drones, which can be charged and deployed from the vessel.

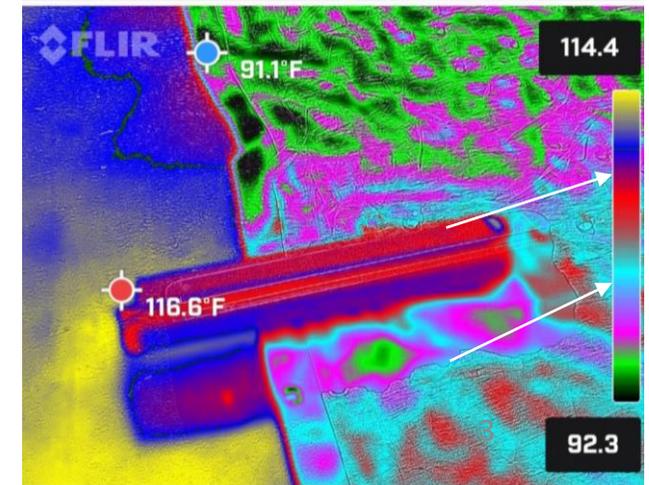
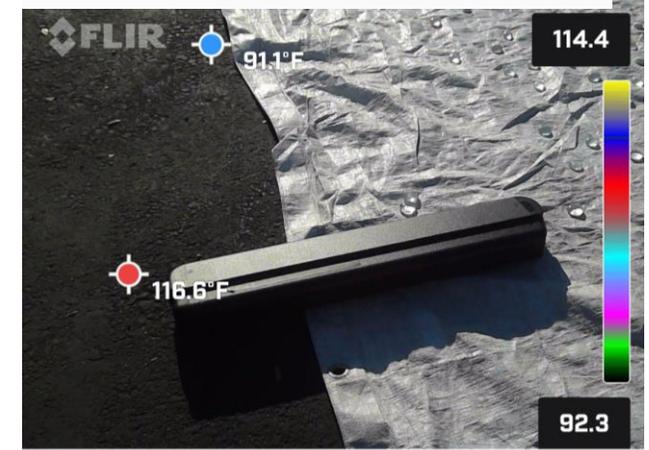


Recycled ZEV  
 Net solar (777W) speed 3kts  
 One 48V 1kW DC outboard  
 3.8kts with LFP bank  
 circularsolar.net

If these were the same model, the white architecture should provide 15% higher speeds and up to 25% longer battery range. Note IR image of a black E-scooter battery simulating a black drone, compared to white albedo (over hot black pavement).

The solar used on the prototype could be doubled to ensure <5kts sun powered propulsion during the day (mostly sunny day) for commercial drones and scalable to launching interceptors from smaller boats.

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 Day high, 90F



### 3. The 100% Circularity Mandate: Wind Blade & Nacelle Repurposing

Circular Solar believes it can achieve **100% recycling** of wind energy infrastructure, transforming end-of-life liabilities into high-performance assets.

•**Infrastructure Repurposing:** Decommissioned wind blades and nacelle composites are structural foundations for **Circular Solar Wind Farms (Solar-BESS)**. These provide the rigid, durable framework needed for remote charging groups of Defense or Commercial drones: [view presentation, and audio from the Circular Solar Wind presentation](#) [Wind Europe's recycling conference.](#)

•**3D Printed Drones:** Recycled Glass Reinforced Plastic (GRP) and Carbon Fiber from nacelles are processed into high-strength fillers for **3D printed drone parts**.

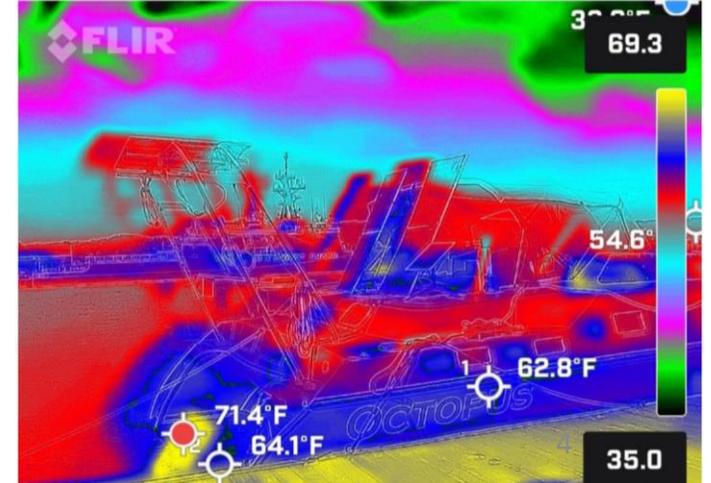
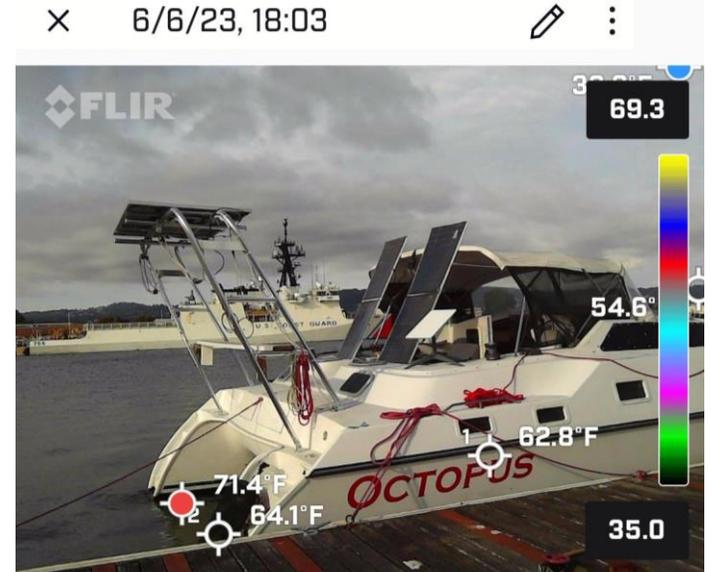
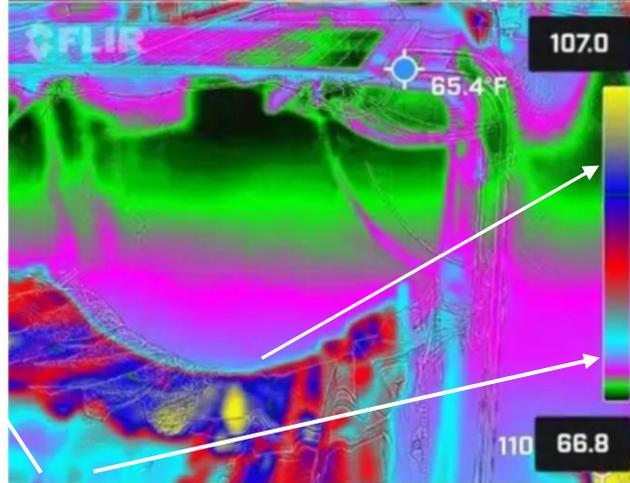
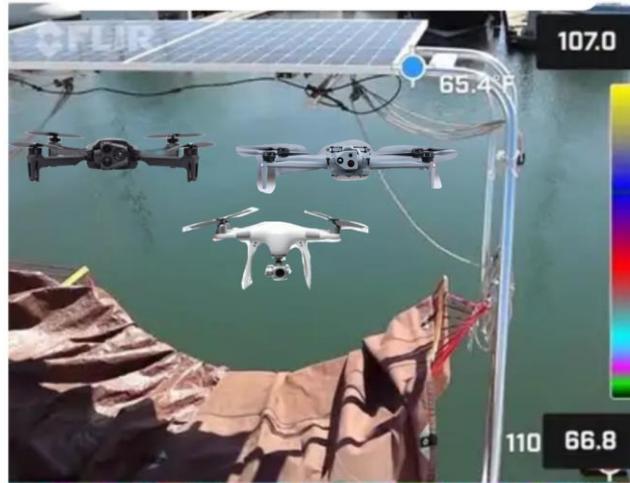
•**OCTOPUS Validation (4-Year Test):** Real-world testing on the **OCTOPUS** (a salvaged vessel with significant saltwater damage) verified this approach. By adding virgin material to damaged composite sections—simulating the blend of virgin and recycled wind fibers—we verified **high-strength structural performance** and **thermal efficiency** even in corrosive maritime environments.

#### Circular Solar Wind Agrivoltaics:

Remote solar-bess to charge and deploy drones to herd cattle (this is the safest design for cattle with solar), Ag work, inspection of Wind, Solar, Grid, Data-Centers.



Prototype verifies solar, composite shade benefits for cooler charging, remotely, of drones from Circular Solar Agrivoltaic farms



#### 4. Drone Performance: Solving the Thermal Efficiency Gap

Modern drone operations are limited by Daytime Thermal Degradation. Important various uses, including for surveillance and work at industrial facilities, such as can be scaled to Radius Recycling to improve also reduce its day-to-day fugitive dust emissions and help prevent fires.

- The CS Solution:** We provide pre-cooled, high-density charging via our design improvements to white commercial drones (in the Circular Solar Wind presentation, referred to a OCTOPUS drones) and drones with our RDAC system (Circular Solar Integrated Remediation) prototyped working/effective (sans drone) since Q1 2023 – current and follows up on the 2008 small FOAK infrastructure project with similar pollution management results.
- Scaling:** Circular Solar Wind farms act as high-output charging cradles. Using the Octopus testbed's heat-exchange logic, drones cycle through these nodes with minimal downtime, extending flight windows via stabilized discharge rates.

#### 5. Scaling to Remote Circular Solar Wind Farms

The infrastructure (Slides 9–21) serves as the host ecosystem for Octopus-100 interceptor units and commercial drones.

- Dual-Power Infrastructure:** Combines EoL wind “waste” with solar tracking.
- The Drone Nest:** Each node provides "instant-on" high-current charging for rapid deployment without grid stress.
- Pollution Management:** OCTOPUS Agriculture drones will be equipped with IR cameras and loaded with the RDAC system (Circular Solar Integrated Remediation System whitepaper available) to respond to day-to-day emissions, fugitive dust or industrial plumes from sites like Radius Recycling, and other industrial emitters, in real-time. Similar deployment to high pollution events, areas by mine sites, airports to highways and so on. [See whitepapers for responsible-mining-and-AI-power](#)

#### 6. Technical Specifications & Slides 9–21 Insights

- Energy Density:** High white, silver albedo values can translate into **30-35% increase** in localized energy density.
- Component Longevity:** The Octopus testbed proves that maintaining an optimal range (25°C–35°C or 77F – 95F for solar-battery efficiency which scales to UAVs) extends drone battery and lifecycles by **20%**.
- Material Integrity:** The 4-year saltwater OCTOPUS test confirms that repurposed composites can withstand the harsh corrosive conditions in the SF Bay, CA.

#### Conclusion: The Self-Sustaining Sky

By integrating the OCTOPUS testbed designs to drones, UAVs and powered by Circular Solar Wind farms, we create a self-sustaining loop. High-density Solar- BESS units, built from repurposed wind blades, nacelles power thermally efficient 3D-printed drones (by solving how to fully recycled Wind blades, nacelles we help supply-chain e-waste REEs from EoL wind generators) and scrubbing the air and securing the fence line of industrial hubs.

Reference: Circular Solar Wind presentation, shared at Wind Europe's EOLis2025, including audio with Q&A, here: <https://circularsolar.net/cs-wind%2C-recycling%2C-ai>