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SPECIFICATIONS FOR AN **MRBR 7.0 TESLA / 210MM** **ACTIVELY SHIELDED MAGNET SYSTEM**

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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEM

The MRBR 7.0/210 system is a complete superconducting magnet system intended primarily for research studies on the biological applications of NMR imaging (MRI) and NMR spectroscopy (MRS).

The system essentially consists of a highly homogeneous actively shielded superconducting 7 Tesla magnet housed in a horizontal room temperature bore (210mm), low-loss helium cryostat. Field shimming is accomplished using superconducting shim coils and passive shims. The ultimate homogeneity specifications require room temperature shim coils.

The system is complemented with cryomonitors for helium and nitrogen. An emergency quench heater control unit is also provided.

2. THE SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNET

i) General Description

The magnet is wound from multi-filamentary NbTi conductor with a high percentage of copper to superconductor. The windings are placed on precision machined aluminium alloy and GRP formers, then fully vacuum impregnated for robustness and long-term reliability.

The field homogeneity is defined over a spherical volume and all orders of impurity up to 8th order are theoretically cancelled within this volume. Inevitably winding tolerances and small amounts of environmental influence will distort the central field. Corrections for these distortions are made in the first instance by superconducting shim coils located on a former surrounding the main coil.

The magnet coils are fully protected from accidental damage due to a quench by a diode resistor network located within the helium reservoir.

In the event of the need to activate an emergency discharge of the magnet a quench heater circuit is incorporated within the windings. The magnet is designed to conservative levels of stress and mechanical stability to ensure reliable and stable operation.

ii) Specifications

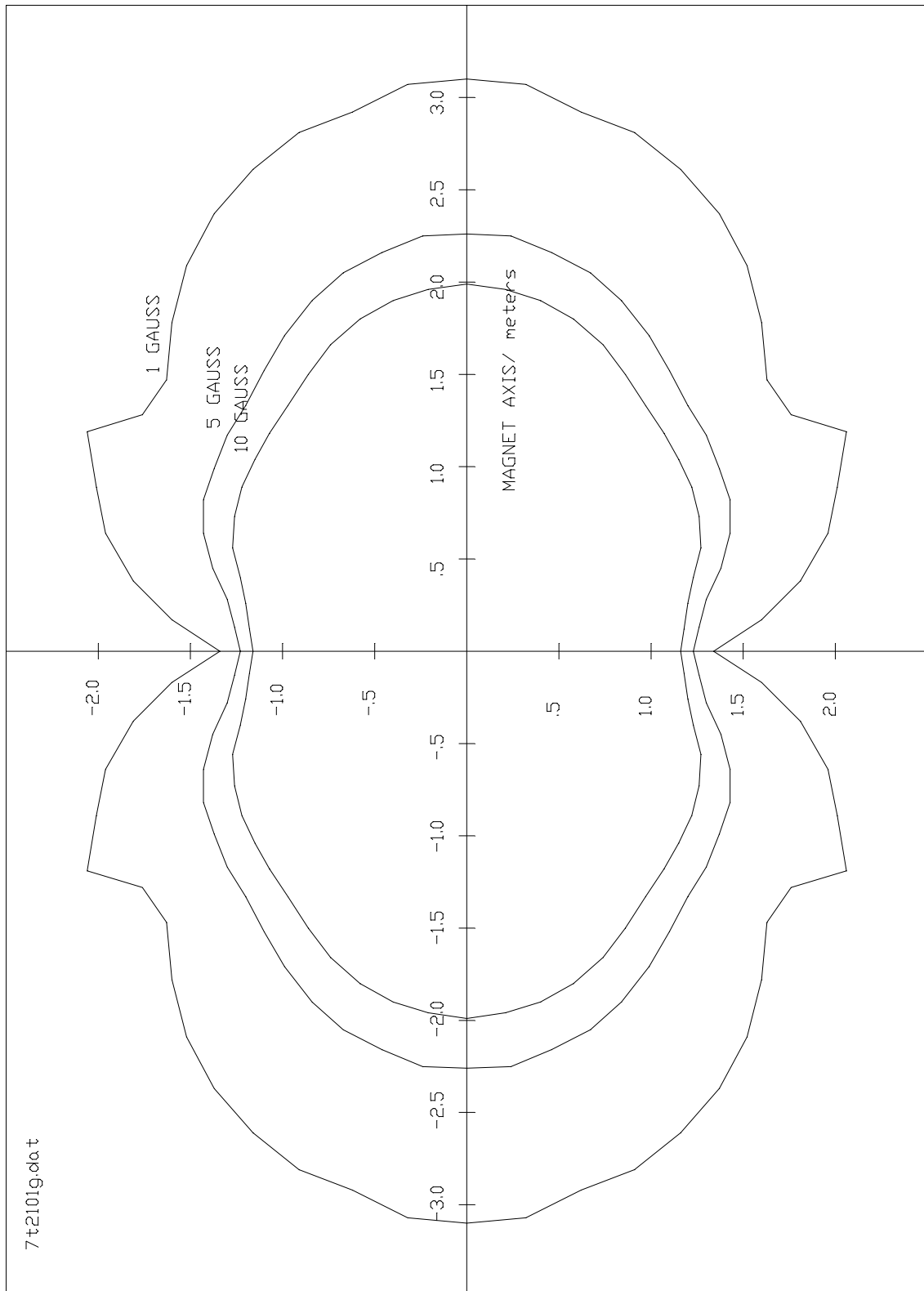
Magnet type	:	Actively shielded multi-coil superconducting
Central field	:	7.0 Tesla (^1H 300MHz)
Field stability measured a minimum of of 72 hours after energisation	:	Less than 0.05 ppm/hour
Operating current	:	300 Amps (nominal)
Field homogeneity values:		
Using superconducting and passive shims	:	Less than 30ppm over 10cm dsv ¹
Fully shimmed using RT shim coils ²	:	Less than 5ppm over 10cm dsv ¹
Typical time to energise magnet to full field	:	180 mins
Fringe Field (position of 5 gauss contour) ³		See figure 1
Axially from magnet centre line	:	2.5 metres
Radially from magnet centre line	:	1.5 metres
Screening factor	:	Greater than 10

¹ Defined as the peak to peak variations of points plotted over a seven plane twelve angle plot on the surface of the stated spherical volume.

² Including up to 3rd order radial and 4th order axial shims

³ **Safety Note:** In the event of a quench it is possible for the magnetic field to momentarily bloom beyond this limit. For further details please consult the Magnex site planning guide for this magnet.

Figure 1 - Fringe field plot of 7.0T 210mm actively shielded magnet



iii) Superconducting Shim Coils

These coils are positioned on a non-conducting former surrounding the main coil in the helium reservoir. Each coil set is fitted with a superconducting switch for persistent mode operation.

Coil Details:-

Shims provided	:	Z1, Z2, X, Y, ZX, ZY, XY, X2-Y2
Maximum recommended current	:	25 Amps
Coupling	:	All shims are de-coupled from main coil

Typical shim strength over 10cm diameter.

Shim	Strength (ppm/amp of main field)	% Impurity over Stated Spherical Volume
Z1	10.8	Less than 1%
Z2	4.74	Less than 1%
X(Y)	7.6	Less than 1%
ZX(ZY)	0.61	Less than 1%
XY(X2-Y2)	0.49	Less than 1%

3. THE CRYOSTAT

i) General Description

The cryostat is of conventional lay-out, consisting of a central all-welded stainless steel helium vessel which is surrounded by an aluminium gas-cooled radiation shield and liquid nitrogen reservoir. The complete assembly is contained in a stainless steel outer vacuum vessel. The outer vacuum vessel is fitted with a vertical service turret located centrally on top of the cryostat. The turret provides access to the helium reservoir for the demountable magnet leads, helium level probe, and helium transfer siphon. The outer vessel is an all welded stainless steel construction with a room-temperature bore-tube constructed from stainless steel.

The helium reservoir contains in total approximately 750 litres of liquid helium of which approximately 300 litres volume is above the minimum operating level. Details of refill intervals are given below.

Cryogen level monitors are incorporated into both the liquid helium and liquid nitrogen vessels and the associated electronics provide liquid level display and low level alarms. A back-up liquid helium level probe is included for use in the event of failure of the primary probe. The probes will monitor helium levels continuously from empty to full conditions.

ii) Specifications

The cryostat is shown in drawing CHZ325120, full specifications for the system are as follows:-

Dimensions:-

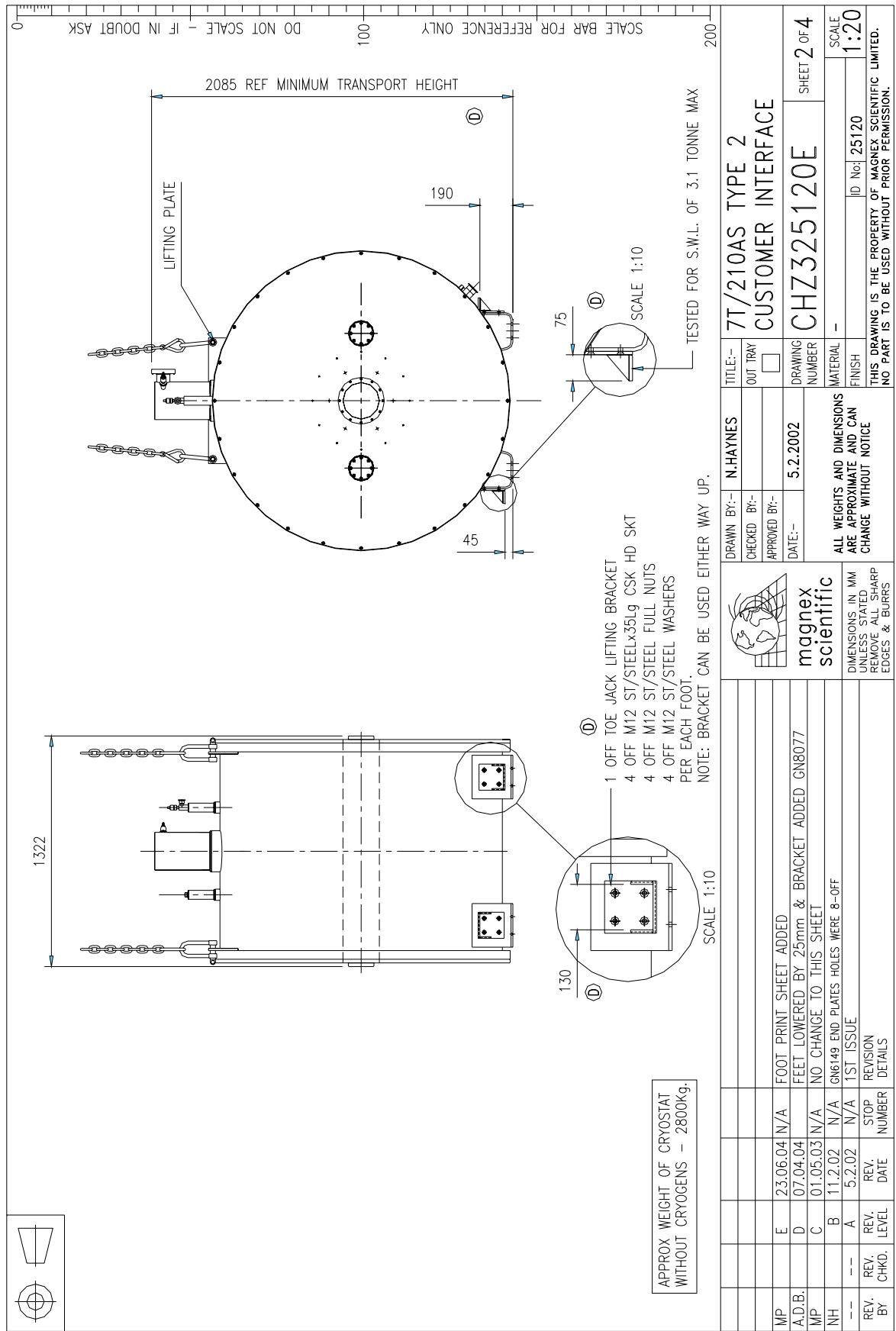
Length of cryostat	:	1280mm
Room temperature clear bore (with passive shims)	:	210mm
Room temperature bore-tube material	:	Stainless steel
Centre of field to base of stand	:	875mm
Cryostat end-flange to centre of field	:	640mm
Minimum ceiling height for siphon	:	3125mm
Weight of cryostat (excluding cryogens and gradient coil)	:	2900kg (approx.)

Liquid helium cryogen details:-

Volume for initial installation (includes cooling the magnet from 77K to 4.2K, volume required to completely fill helium reservoir and to top-up helium reservoir after magnet energisation)	: 2500 litres
Recommended refill volume during normal operation	: 240 litres
Maximum volume of reservoir	: 750 litres
Hold-time during normal operation (static magnetic field, leads withdrawn)	: More than 90 days

Liquid nitrogen cryogen details:-

Volume for initial installation (includes pre-cool of magnet to 77K and volume required to completely fill LN2 reservoir)	: 2500 litres
Volume of reservoir	: 180 litres
Refill volume	: 160 litres
Hold-time in static condition	: More than 12 days



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CUSTOMER INTERFACE

CHZ325120E

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SCALE 1:20

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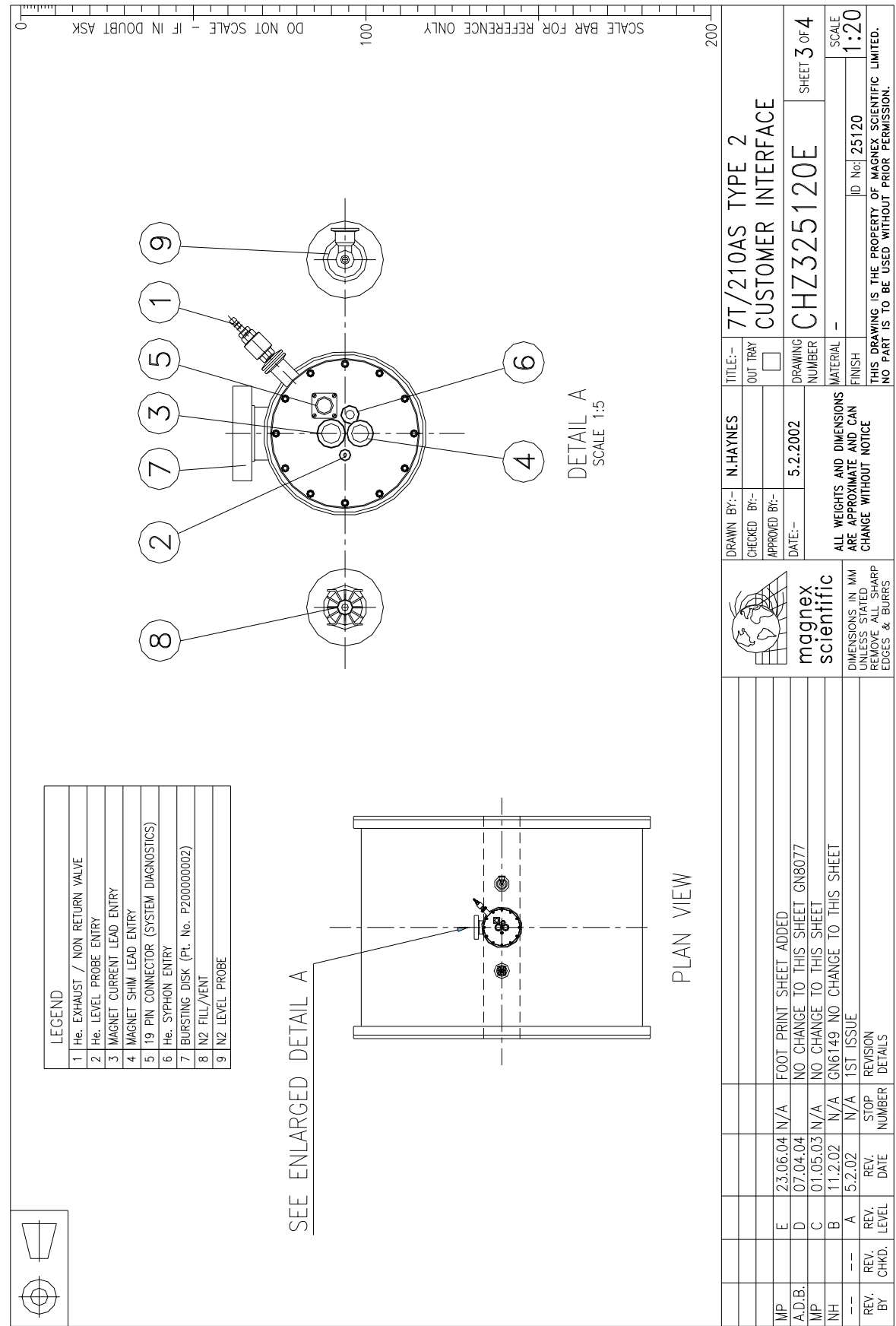
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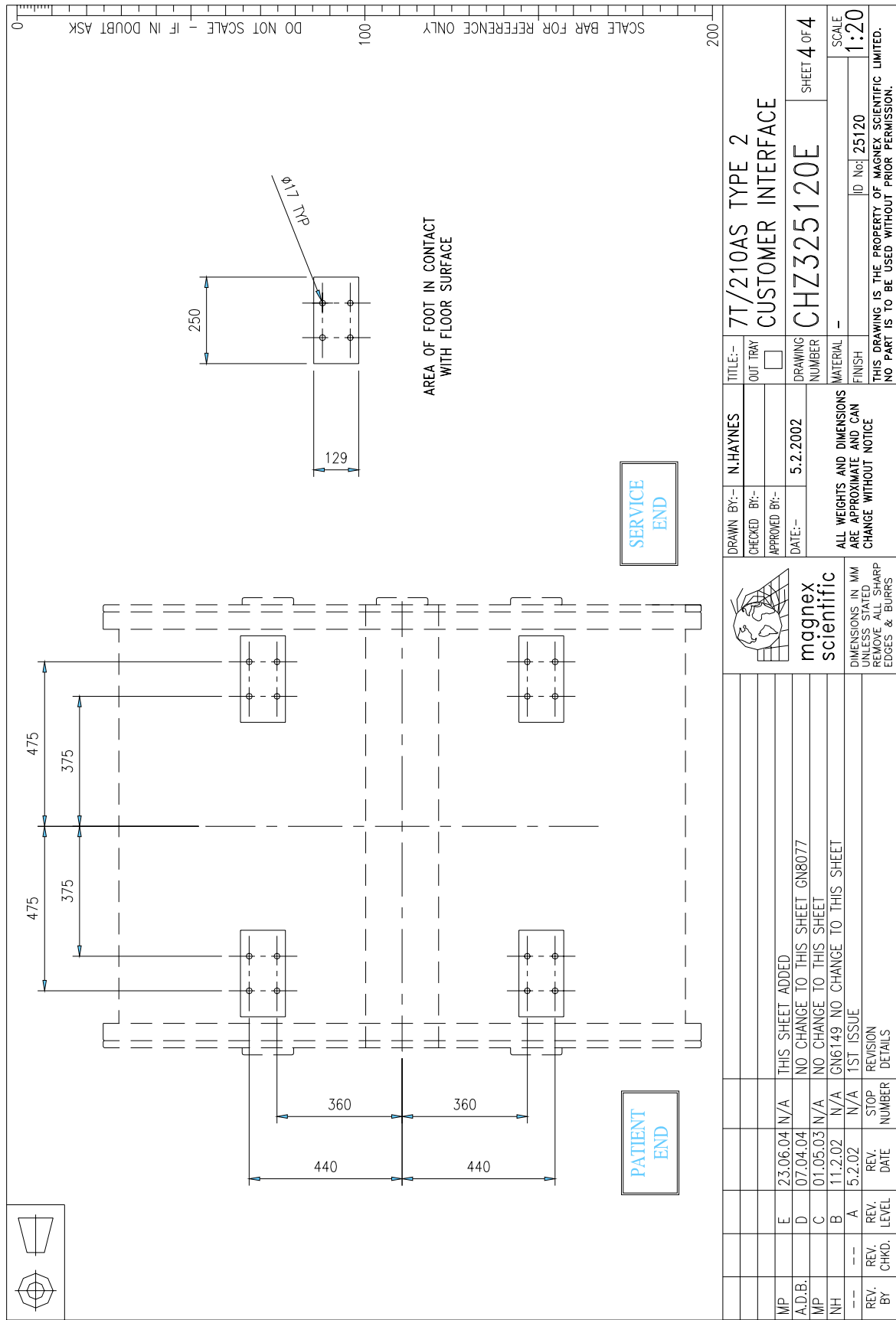
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4. SYSTEM COMPONENTS

i. Superconducting Magnet System Components

1 off Superconducting 7.0T magnet with integral superconducting shim coils, housed in a low loss horizontal bore cryostat.

ii. Standard Ancillary Parts

1 off	Helium level monitor	E5011
1 off	De-mountable helium level probe	AUE119019
1 off	Nitrogen level monitor	E5031
1 off	Head oscillator	E5030
1 off	De-mountable nitrogen level probe	AUE119016
1 off	Emergency discharge unit	E7007
1 off	Helium monitor cable	C0090003
1 off	Nitrogen monitor cable	C0113085
1 off	Service cable	C0091085
1 off	Flexible siphon (2m)	P222000005
1 off	Nitrogen blow out tube	AUC400198
1 off	Nitrogen fill tube	AHU327799
1 off	Spares kit	
1 off	System manual	
1 off	Quench duct assembly. Either of:	
	4"	AHC327457
	6"	AHC327456
	8"	AHC327455