

Title (en)

Improvements in and relating to refrigeration method and apparatus.

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Verfahren und Vorrichtung zur Kühlung.

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Procédé et appareil de réfrigération.

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Abstract (en)

Refrigeration apparatus is capable of operating in i) vapour compression mode or ii) thermosyphon mode. The apparatus defines a refrigerant path includes a compressor (12), a condenser (14), an expansion valve (16) and a chiller (18) where the refrigerant absorbs heat from fluid to be cooled. The refrigeration circuit includes valves (26, 28) configurable for selectively directing refrigerant i) to pass through the compressor (12) and expansion valve (16) or ii) to bypass the compressor and expansion valve. A thermal store (20) is provided and is i) cooled while the apparatus operates in the vapour compression mode and ii) provides a chilling effect during changeover to thermosyphon mode. <IMAGE>

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