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Psychological pressure in simulatorbased Intercompany training

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Some factors of psychological pressure in Intercompany training courses / stressors

(lessons learned over the last 25 years of operator training)

- Handling of abnormal situations
- 'Observed' by
 - → shift colleagues
 - → the company supervisor
 - → the trainer / instructor
 - → participants from other companies
- Procedures may not fit on the training scenario
- Communication in a foreign language
- Coordination of tasks
- Unexpected further disturbances in the scenario
- foreign working environment

DSO1
DSO2
DSO3
TSO2
Production control center
Powerplant

Fig. 1:
Example of a simulatorbased
Intercompany training

One way that stress can affect decision making is by limiting the ability to make novel decisions and adapt to change.

Source:

Paper may 2012, National Library of Medicine; 'Stress-induced changes in human decision-making are reversible'



Some effects of high psychological pressure in simulator-based training

- Increasing the fear of real life disturbances
- Training and learning goals may not be reached due to extreme pressure
- leads to some irrational decision making

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Task of trainer / instructor

Adjust the pressure to a level where the participants are able to reach training goals (#best training effect)

Group Discussion Meeting