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Dr. Kazuhiko Kunitomi has been working on high-temperature gas-cooled reactor (HTGR) development for over 40 years at the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute (JAERI) and the Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA) and is currently leading this research in Japan.

After conducting research and development on HTGR internal core structures and primary components using HENDEL (Helium Engineering Demonstration Loop) for about ten years, he participated in the HTTR (High Temperature Engineering Test Reactor) project working mainly on safety analysis and evaluation and planning. Later, he moved on to future HTGR design and development and designed several commercial HTGR systems with collaboration with Japanese industries.