A High Efficiency, Ultra-Compact Process For Pre-Combustion CO₂ Capture

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Project Objectives

Overarching Project Objectives:

- 1. Prove the technical feasibility of the membrane- and adsorption-enhanced water gas shift (WGS) process.
- 2. Achieve the overall fossil energy performance goals of 90% CO_2 capture rate with 95% CO_2 purity at a cost of electricity of 30% less than baseline capture approaches.

Key Project Tasks:

- 1. Design, construct and test the lab-scale experimental MR-AR system.-----USC
- 2. Select and characterize appropriate membranes, adsorbents and catalysts.----M&PT, USC
- 3. Develop and experimentally validate mathematical model.----UCLA, USC
- 4. Experimentally test the proposed novel process in the lab-scale apparatus, and complete the initial technical and economic feasibility study. (Budget Period 2).---- M&PT, UCLA, USC







Background, cont.

Hybrid Adsorbent Membrane Reactor (HAMR)



□ The HAMR combines adsorbent, catalyst and membrane functions in the same unit. Previously tested for methane steam reforming (MSR) and the WGS reaction.

□ The simultaneous in situ removal of H₂ and CO₂ from the reactor significantly enhances reactor yield and H₂ purity. CO₂ stream ready for sequestration.



Background, cont.

CMS Membranes for Large Scale Applications

M&PT test-unit at NCCC for hydrogen separation



CMS membranes and modules





Background, cont.

Hydrotalcite (HT) Adsorbents & Co/Mo-Based Sour Shift Catalysts

Hydrotalcite Adsorbent:

> The HT adsorbents shown to have a working CO_2 capacity of 3-4 wt.% during the past HAMR studies with the MSR and WGS reactions. Theoretical capacity >16 wt.%.

Co/Mo-Based Sour Shift Catalyst:

➤ A commercial Co/Mo-based sour shift catalyst has been used in our past and ongoing lab-scale MR studies (P<15 bar) with simulated coal-derived and biomass-derived syngas. Shown to have stable performance for >1000 hr of continuous operation.

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Project Technical Approach

Proposed Process Scheme



- No CGCU (or WGCU) step is required to clean-up the syngas prior to entering the WGS reactor.
 No post-treatment absorption step is needed to separate the H₂ from CO₂.
- No CO₂ recompression step is needed for its further transport and storage.
- Note that the use of 2 HT/AR is for illustrative purposes only. The full process will require more (typically 4) HT/AR in use.



Project Technical Approach, cont.

Proposed MR-AR Process



Potential use of a TSA regeneration scheme allows the recovery of CO₂ at high pressures.
 The MR-AR process overcomes the limitations of competitive singular, stand-alone systems, such as the conventional WGSR, and the more advanced WGS-MR and WGS-AR technologies.



Advantages

Our Proposed Process vs. SOTA

Key Innovation:

• Highly-efficient, low-temperature reactor process for the WGS reaction of coal-gasifier syngas for pre-combustion CO₂ capture, using a unique adsorption-enhanced WGS membrane reactor (MR-AR) concept.

Unique Advantages:

- No syngas pretreatment required: CMS membranes proven stable in past/ongoing studies to all of the gas contaminants associated with coal-derived syngas.
- *Improved WGS Efficiency:* Enhanced reactor yield and selectivity via the simultaneous removal of H_2 and CO_2 .
- Significantly reduced catalyst weight usage requirements: Reaction rate enhancement (over the conventional WGSR) that results from removing both products, potentially, allows one to operate at much lower W/F_{CO} (K_{gcat}/mol.hr).
- *Efficient* H₂ *production, and superior* CO₂ *recovery and purity:* The synergy created between the MR and AR units makes simultaneously meeting the CO₂ recovery/purity targets together with carbon utilization (CO conversion) and hydrogen recovery/purity goals a potential reality.



Challenges

Key Technical Challenges Ahead (BP1):

- Modify an existing lab-scale test unit at USC to permit operation at higher pressure (up to 25 bar).
- Design and incorporate a dedicated AR subsystem.
- Prepare and characterize membranes and adsorbents and validate their performance at the relevant experimental conditions.
- Validate catalyst performance at the relevant pressure conditions. Verify applicability of global reaction kinetics.
- Develop and experimentally validate mathematical model.



Challenges, cont.

Proposed Lab-Scale Experimental System



UCLA ENGINEERING Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering Multi-scale (Pellet-Reactor Scale) Model



2D Representation of control volumes in Membrane Reactor

1D Representation of control volumes in Membrane Reactor



Pellet-Scale Steady-State Model

j-Component Mass Conservation:

$$0 = \underbrace{M_{j}r_{j}\rho_{s}\left(1-\varepsilon_{V}^{p}\right)}_{rate of mass generation of p} - \underbrace{\varepsilon_{A}^{p}\overrightarrow{\nabla}\cdot\left(\overrightarrow{j_{f,j}^{p}}\right)}_{rate of addition of mass of} j = 1, N_{s}$$

B.C.
$$x_{f,j}^{r} = \left(x_{f,j}^{r}\right)^{surface} at S_{0}$$



Dusty-gas model (DGM) :



Energy Conservation:

$$0 = \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\left[\left(1 - \mathcal{E}_{A}^{p} \right) k_{s}^{p} + \mathcal{E}_{A}^{p} k_{f}^{p} \right] \vec{\nabla} T^{p} \right)}_{rate of \ energy \ addition \ by \ heat \ conduction \ per \ volume} - \underbrace{\mathcal{E}_{A}^{p} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{1}{M_{j}} \tilde{h}_{f,j}^{p} \overrightarrow{j}_{f,j}^{p} \right)}_{rate \ of \ energy \ addition \ by \ species \ mass \ fluxes \ per \ volume}$$

B.C. $T^{p} = (T^{p})^{\text{surface}} \text{ at } S_{0}$

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Total mass conservation:

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_A^r \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho_f \vec{v_f^r} \right)$$

Momentum conservation:





$$\vec{\nabla} \vec{v_f^R} = 0 \text{ at } S_3 \text{ and } S_4$$

j-Component Mass Conservation:



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Maxwell-Stefan Equation:

 $\frac{\left(\underline{\varepsilon}_{V}\right)_{3}}{\left(\underline{\varepsilon}_{V}\right)_{3}} \frac{\sqrt{2\pi k_{B}^{3} (T^{r})^{3}} / m_{ij}}$



Energy Conservation:



j-Component Mass Conservation:

$$\underbrace{\varepsilon_A^r \left(\vec{\nabla} x_{f,j}^r\right) \cdot \left(\rho_f \, \vec{v_f}\right)}_{\substack{\text{net rate of addition of mass of} \\ j \text{ by convection per volume}} = \underbrace{M_j \eta_j r_j \rho_s^r \left(1 - \varepsilon_V^r\right)}_{\substack{\text{rate of production of mass of} \\ by \text{ reaction per volume}}} - \underbrace{\varepsilon_A^r \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\vec{j_{f,j}^r}\right)}_{\substack{\text{net rate of addition of mass of} \\ j \text{ by diffusion per volume}}} j = 1, N_s$$



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$$\begin{aligned} x_{f,j}^{r} &= \left(x_{f,j}^{r}\right)_{in} at S_{2} \\ \left(\vec{\nabla}x_{f,j}^{r}\right) \cdot \left(\rho_{f}^{r} \vec{v_{f}^{r}}\right) &= \frac{P_{e_{m}} \lambda_{j}}{d_{p}} \frac{B_{Ho} \exp\left(-\frac{E_{a}}{R \cdot T^{r}}\right)}{\delta} \left(P_{H_{2},r}^{n} - P_{H_{2},p}^{n}\right) , \lambda_{j} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j \neq H_{2} \\ 1 & \text{if } j = H_{2} \end{cases} at S_{4} \\ \left(\vec{\nabla}x_{f,j}^{r}\right) \cdot \left(\rho_{f}^{r} \vec{v_{f}^{r}}\right) &= 0 & \text{at } S_{3} \end{aligned}$$

Momentum Conservation:



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$$\overrightarrow{v_f^R} = \left(\overrightarrow{v_f^R}\right)_{in}, P^r = \left(P^r\right)_{in} at S_2, \quad \overrightarrow{\nabla v_f^R} = 0 at S_3 and S_4$$

Energy Conservation:

$$\mathcal{E}_{A}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho_{f}^{r} h_{f}^{r} \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right) = \mathcal{E}_{I}^{r} h\left(T^{r} - \left(T^{p}\right)^{s}\right) + \mathcal{E}_{A}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(k_{f}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{r}\right) - \mathcal{E}_{A}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{1}{M_{j}} \widetilde{h}_{f,j}^{r} \overrightarrow{j_{f,j}^{r}}\right)$$

$$= \mathcal{E}_{I}^{r} h\left(T^{r} - \left(T^{p}\right)^{s}\right) + \mathcal{E}_{A}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(k_{f}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{r}\right) - \mathcal{E}_{A}^{r} \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{1}{M_{j}} \widetilde{h}_{f,j}^{r} \overrightarrow{j_{f,j}^{r}}\right)$$

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$$= \mathcal{E}_{I}^{r} h\left(T^{r} - \left(T^{p}\right)^{s}\right)$$

$$= \mathcal{E}_{I}^{r} h\left(T^{r} + \left(T^{p}\right)^{s}\right)$$

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$$= \mathcal{E}_{I}^{r}$$

B.C.

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T^{r} = \left(T^{r}\right)_{in} & \text{at } S_{2}, \\
\overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho_{f}^{r} h_{f}^{r} \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right) = 4 \frac{d_{mem} U_{1}}{d_{t}^{2}} \left(T^{r} - T^{perm}\right) & \text{at } S_{4} \\
\end{array}, \quad \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho_{f}^{r} h_{f}^{r} \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{r}}\right) = 4 \frac{U}{d_{t}} \left(T^{r} - T^{W}\right) & \text{at } S_{3}
\end{array}$$

1-D Steady-State Permeation Zone Model

j-Component Mass Conservation :



Momentum Conservation:

$$\underbrace{\overrightarrow{\nabla v^{M}} \cdot \left(\rho^{M} \, \overrightarrow{v^{M}}\right)}_{\bigvee} = -\overrightarrow{\nabla} P^{M} - \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\mu^{M} \left(\overrightarrow{\nabla v^{M}} + \left(\overrightarrow{\nabla v^{M}}\right)^{T}\right)\right)$$

rate of momentum addition by convection per volume

rate of momentum addition by molecular transport per volume

B.C. $\overrightarrow{v^{M}} = \left(\overrightarrow{v^{M}}\right)_{in}, P^{M} = \left(P^{M}\right)_{in} at S_{1},$

Energy Conservation:

$$\underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho^{M} h^{M} \vec{v^{M}}\right)}_{\text{transport per unit volume}} = \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(k^{M} \vec{\nabla} T^{M}\right)}_{\text{rate of energy addition by heat conduction per volume}} - \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{1}{M_{j}} \tilde{h}^{M} \vec{j_{i}^{M}}\right)}_{\text{rate of energy addition by species}} - \underbrace{4 \frac{d_{mem} U_{1}}{d_{t}^{2}} \left(T^{perm} - T^{r}\right)}_{\text{rate of energy addition between reaction zone and internal wall per volume}} B.C.$$

$$T^{M} = \left(T^{M}\right)_{in} at S_{1}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} T^{M} = 0 at S_{6}$$

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2-D Steady-State Permeation Zone Model



j-Component Mass Conservation:

$$\rho^{M} \frac{\partial x_{i}^{M}}{\partial t} = \rho^{M} \left(\overrightarrow{\nabla} x_{i}^{M} \right) \cdot \left(\overrightarrow{v^{M}} \right)$$
rate of change of mass of i by rate of addition of mass of i by convection per volum

B.C.
$$x_i^M = \left(x_i^M\right)_{in} at S_1,$$

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$$\left(\vec{\nabla}x_{i}^{M}\right)\cdot\left(\rho_{f}\vec{v^{M}}\right) = \frac{P_{e_{m}}\lambda_{j}}{d_{p}}\frac{B_{Ho}\exp\left(-\frac{E_{a}}{R\cdot T^{r}}\right)}{\delta}\left(P_{H_{2},r}^{n}-P_{H_{2},p}^{n}\right) = J_{H_{2}}, \lambda_{j} = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } j \neq H_{2} \\ 1 \text{ if } j = H_{2} \end{cases} \text{ at } S_{5}$$

2-D Steady-State Permeation Zone Model

Momentum Conservation:

 $\vec{\nabla} v^M \cdot \left(\rho^M v^M \right)$

$$= -\vec{\nabla}P^{M} - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\mu^{M} \left(\vec{\nabla} \vec{v^{M}} + \left(\vec{\nabla} \vec{v^{M}} \right)^{T} \right)^{T} \right)^{T}$$

rate of momentum addition by convection per volume

rate of momentum addition by molecular transport per volume

$$\overrightarrow{v^{M}} = \left(\overrightarrow{v^{M}}\right)_{in}, \ P^{M} = \left(P^{M}\right)_{in} at \ S_{1}, \qquad \qquad \overrightarrow{\nabla v_{f}^{R}} = 0 \ at \ S_{5}$$

Energy Conservation:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho^{M} h^{M} \vec{v^{M}}\right) = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(k^{M} \vec{\nabla} T^{M}\right) - \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{1}{M_{j}} \tilde{h}^{M} \vec{j_{i}^{M}}\right)$$
rate of energy addition by convective transport per unit volume rate of energy addition by heat conduction per volume rate of energy addition by species mass fluxes per volume B.C.

$$T^{M} = \left(T^{M}\right)_{in} at S_{1}, \qquad \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\rho^{M} h^{M} \overrightarrow{v^{M}}\right) = 4 \frac{d_{mem} U_{1}}{d_{t}^{2}} \left(T^{r} - T^{perm}\right) at S_{5}, \quad \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{M} = 0 at S_{6}$$



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 $\mathcal{E}_{V}^{a}\rho_{t}$

Adsorbing Reactor (AR) Multi-Scale (Adsorbent-Reactor Scale) Model Adsorbent-Scale Dynamic Model

j-Component Mass Conservation:

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{E}_{V}^{a}\rho_{f}}_{per adsorbent volume} \underbrace{\frac{\partial x_{f,j}^{a}}{\partial t}}_{rate of change of mass of j} = \underbrace{M_{j}\rho_{s}R_{j}\left(1-\mathcal{E}_{V}^{a}\right)}_{rate of addition of mass of j} j = 1, N_{s}$$



$$\frac{dC_{j}}{dt} = R_{j} = k_{j} \left(C_{seq,j} - C_{j} \right) \quad j = 1, N_{s}, C_{seq,j} = \frac{m_{j}b_{j}P_{j}}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}}b_{j}P_{j}} \quad j = 1, N_{s}, \ b_{j} = b_{j}^{0}e^{\left(\frac{-\Delta H_{i}}{R\left(1/T - 1/T^{0}\right)}\right)} \quad j = 1, N_{s}$$

Energy Conservation:

$$\underbrace{\left[\left(1-\varepsilon_{V}^{a}\right)\rho_{s}\left(C_{V}\right)_{s}^{a}+\varepsilon_{V}^{a}\rho_{f}\left(C_{V}\right)_{f}^{a}\right]\frac{\partial T^{a}}{\partial t}}_{rate of change of energy per adsorbent volume}=\underbrace{\vec{\nabla}.\left(\left[\left(1-\varepsilon_{A}^{a}\right)k_{s}^{a}+\varepsilon_{A}^{a}k_{f}^{a}\right]\vec{\nabla}T^{a}\right)_{rate of energy addition by heat conduction}}_{per adsorbent volume}-\underbrace{\varepsilon_{A}^{a}\vec{\nabla}\cdot\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}}\tilde{h}_{j}\rho_{s}R_{j}\right)_{rate of energy addition by adsorption}}_{rate of energy addition by heat volume}$$



j-Component Mass Conservation:













Energy Conservation:



j-Component Mass Conservation:





Momentum Conservation:





Energy Conservation:



Initial and Boundary Conditions

Cycle Step		
I. Adsorption step	t=0	$x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = 0, \ C_j = 0, \ T^{PSAR} = (T^{PSAR})_{ambient}, \ P^{PSAR} = (P^{PSAR})_{ambient}$
	at S_0	$x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = \left(x_{f,j}^{PSAR}\right)^{surface}$, $T^a = \left(T^a\right)^{surface}$
	at S_1	$x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = \left(x_{f,j}^{PSAR}\right)_{in}, \ T^{PSAR} = \left(T^{PSAR}\right)_{in}, \ P^{PSAR} = \left(P^{PSAR}\right)_{in}, \ \overline{v_f^{PSAR}} = \left(\overline{v_f^{PSAR}}\right)_{in}$
	at S_2	$\vec{\nabla} x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = 0, \ \vec{\nabla} T^{PSAR} = 0$
	at S_3	$\vec{\nabla} x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = 0, \ \vec{\nabla} T^{PSAR} = 0$
II. Desorption step	t=0	$x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = \left(x_{f,j}^{PSAR}\right)^{I}, C_{j} = \left(C_{j}\right)^{I}, T^{PSAR} = \left(T^{PSAR}\right)^{I}, P^{PSAR} = \left(P^{PSAR}\right)^{I}$
	at S_0	$x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = \left(x_{f,j}^{PSAR}\right)^{surface}$, $T^a = \left(T^a\right)^{surface}$
	at S_1	$\vec{\nabla} x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = 0, \ \vec{\nabla} T^{PSAR} = 0$
	at S_2	$\vec{\nabla} x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = 0, \ \vec{\nabla} T^{PSAR} = 0$
	at S_3	$\vec{\nabla} x_{f,j}^{PSAR} = 0, \vec{\nabla} T^{PSAR} = 0, \vec{v}_f^{PSAR} = \left(\vec{v}_f^{PSAR} \right)_{valve}$





Ceramic Membrane Features

MPT Core Technology

Multiple Ceramic Tube Membrane Bundles – versatile, low cost

1. Close-Packed Bundles



Our Core Expertise/Technology





Ex: porous heat exchangers & catalytic membrane reactors

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Ex: high pressure intermediate temperature gas separations

#1: Packaging individual membrane tubes into commercially viable modules for field use.



MPT Core Technology

Thin Film Deposition for Pore Size Control



#2: Thin film deposition on less-than desirable but low-cost porous tubular substrates



Progress to Date: CMS Membranes

Some Typical Performance and Operation Capabilities. CMS Membranes

CMS Performance: 86-Tube Bundles <u>QA/QC Testing Conditions</u> Temperature: 220 to 250°C Pressure: 20 to 50 psig

CMS Bundle ID	He Permeance [GPU]	He/N ₂ Selectivity [-]
86-6	731	100
86-7	1,020	187
86-8	658	91
86-9	950	102
86-10	365	200
86-11	584	142
86-12	548	77
86-13	840	126
86-14	1,020	117
86-J1	973	120
86-MB1	421	122
86-MB2	665	87
86-MB3	438	85

High-Pressure Leak Rates





M&PH₂ CMS Selective Membranes

Pilot Module Photographs: 3-CMS Membrane Bundles





Key Technical Hurdles Focused on Long Term Stability

CMS 86-Tube Bundle Long Term Stability (8,000 hrs)





NCCC Testing: CMS Membranes Highly Stable in Coal Gasifier Syngas

<u>Testing Parameters</u>

<u>Membrane</u> 86-tube CMS

<u>Operating Conditions</u> T~ 250 to 300°C P~ 200 to 300 psig

<u>Pretreatment</u> Particulate trap only, no other gas cleanup.

 $\frac{Composition}{H_2 \sim 10 \text{ to } 30\%}$ CO ~ 10% CO₂ ~10% N₂,H₂O ~Balance

<u>Trace Contaminants</u> $NH_3 \sim 1,000ppm$ Sulfur Species ~ 1,000ppmHCl, HCN, Naphthalenes/Tars, etc.



Performance stability of multiple-tube CMS membrane bundles during H_2 recovery from NCCC slip-stream testing. He and N_2 Permeances measured 34 periodically during >400 hr test.



CMS Performance Stability: H₂S Removal during NCCC Testing

Testing Parameters

<u>Membrane</u> 86-tube CMS

Operating Conditions T~ 250 to 300°C P~ 200 to 300 psig

<u>Pretreatment</u> Particulate trap, no other gas cleanup.

 $\frac{Composition}{H_2 \sim 10 \text{ to } 30\%}$ $CO \sim 10\%$ $CO_2 \sim 10\%$ $N_2, H_2O \sim Balance$

<u>Trace Contaminants</u> $NH_3 \sim 1,000ppm$ Sulfur Species ~ 1,000ppmHCl, HCN, Naphthalenes/Tars, etc.

NCCC Slip Stream Testing: H_2S Feed and Permeate Composition





CMS Performance Stability: Tar-like Species in Gasifier Off-gas

Operating Temperatures Above 250°C Required to Prevent Condensation of Tar-like Contaminants

<u>Temperatures ≤230°C</u> Tar or other residue buildup evident



<u>Temperatures >250°C</u> No evidence of tar or other residue build-up





Effect of Temperature in the Presence of Model Tar Compounds

Naphthalene/toluene as model tar and organic vapors



□ Membrane fouling occurs at low temperature.

□ Membrane regeneration can be achieved rapidly at high temperature.



CMS Membrane Stability in the Presence of Model Tar Compound

Membrane performance is stable at high operating temperatures (250°C) in the presence of naphthalene/toluene as model tar and organic vapors compounds.





Progress to Date: Hydrotalcite (HT) Adsorbents

Characterization of the Hydrotalcite (HT) Adsorbents

The structure of the hydrotalcites (HT) adsorbents



Aadesh Harale, PhD Thesis, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, USA, 2012.



Characterization of the hydrotalcites

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Progress to Date: Hydrotalcite (HT) Adsorbents, cont.

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Equilibrium Adsorption (Isotherm) Data & Adsorption Kinetics Data





Progress to Date: Hydrotalcite (HT) Adsorbents, cont.

Cyclic Adsorption Behavior & Regeneration



Chem. Eng. Sci., 4126, 62 (2007). Aadesh Harale, PhD Thesis, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, USA, 2012.



Progress to Date: CMS Membrane for WGS-MR

CO Conversion and Hydrogen Recovery



Fig. 10. Comparison of the experimental (a) conversion and (b) recovery with the model predictions at $T = 300 \degree \text{C}$, $P = 5 \degree \text{Atm}$ and sweep ratio = 0.3 using CMS#2.

Comparison of Experimental Results VS. Model Predictions for WGS/MR using CMS Membranes (Co/Mo Sulfided Catalyst)

Temperature (°C): 300
Pressure (atm): 5
Weight of catalyst (g): 12
W/F_{CO} (g-cat.h/mol-CO) : 150 -311
Feed Composition
H ₂ :CO:CO ₂ :CH ₄ :H ₂ O:H ₂ S 2.6:1:2.14:0.8:1.2:0.05

J. Membr. Sci., *363*, 160 (2010); *Ind. Eng. Chem.* Res., 819, 53 (2014).



Progress to Date: CMS Membrane for WGS-MR, cont.

Reject and Permeate Stream Compositions



Fig. 6. Compositions of (a) reject and (b) permeate side at P=3 atm and sweep ratio=0.3.

Comparison of Experimental Results VS. Model Predictions for WGS/MR using CMS Membranes (Co/Mo Sulfided Catalyst)

J. Membr. Sci., *363*, 160 (2010); *Ind. Eng. Chem.* Res., 819, 53 (2014).



Progress to Date: CMS Membrane for WGS-MR, cont.

Effect of Pressure on the CO Conversion and Hydrogen Recovery



Simulations for WGS/MR using a CMS Membrane under a Coal Gasificatioin Environment (Co/Mo sulfided Catalyst)

J. Membr. Sci., *363*, 160 (2010); *Ind. Eng. Chem.* Res., 819, 53 (2014).



Scope of Work: Key Objectives

Budget Period 1 (BP1):

- 1. Design, construct, and test the lab-scale MR-AR system.
- 2. Select baseline membranes, adsorbents and catalysts from those already available in-house, and characterize their performance for the proposed application.
- 3. Upgrade and experimentally validate the in-house mathematical model.

Budget Period 2 (BP2):

- 1. Experimentally test the proposed novel process in the lab-scale apparatus using simulated fuel gas.
- 2. Complete the initial technical and economic feasibility study.



Tasks to be Performed

Budget Period 1(BP1):

Task 2.0 - Materials Preparation and Characterization.

Subtask 2.1- Preparation and Characterization of the CMS Membranes at the anticipated process conditions. Subtask 2.2- Preparation and Characterization of Adsorbents and Catalysts.

Task 3.0 - Design and Construction of the Lab-Scale MR-AR Experimental System.

Task 4.0 - Initial Testing and Modeling of the Lab-Scale Experimental System.

Subtask 4.1 - Unit Operation Testing.

Subtask 4.2 - Mathematical Model Development and Simulations.

Budget Period 2 (BP2):

Task 5.0 - Integrated Testing and Modeling of the Lab-Scale Experimental System.

Subtask 5.1 - Materials Optimization and Scale-up.

Subtask 5.2 - Integrated Testing.

Subtask 5.3 - Model Simulations and Data Analysis.

Task 6.0 - Preliminary Process Design/Optimization and Economic Evaluation.

Subtask 6.1 - Process Design/Optimization.

Subtask 6.2 - Sensitivity Analysis.

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Project Risks and Mitigation Strategies

Description of Risk	Probability (low, moderate, high)	Impact (low, moderate, high)	Risk Management Mitigation and Response Strategies				
Technical Risks:							
Adsorbent not chemically stable in presence of syngas components	Moderate	High	Explore the addition of a warm or cold gas clean-up step into the process design				
Concerns with the adsorbent's physical integrity under the operating conditions	Moderate	Moderate	Reduce heating/cooling rates; improve physical strength during preparation via increased binder content. Replace TSA with PSA or hybrid TSA/PSA operation				
Model does not fit experimental data	Low	Low	Investigate causes of poor fit. Re-evaluate intrinsic system parameters				
Experimental difficulties with high-pressure reactor operation and temperature control	Moderate	Moderate	Identify and fix leaks; replace malfunctioning valves and high- pressure components; adjust control hardware/software				
Resource Risks:							
Equipment malfunction	Moderate	Moderate	Use back-up systems, when available. Repair malfunctioning equipment				
Personnel performance issues	Low	Moderate	Address/remedy performance issues. Replace personnel, if need arises				
Delays in delivery of materials from M&PT to USC	Low	Moderate	Improve coordination between M&PT and USC				
Budgetary issues, i.e., not enough funds to complete a certain Task	Low	Low	Seek DOE guidance and approval for shifting funds from less critical tasks and consolidating certain activities				
Management Risks:		_					
Poor coordination among PI's	Low	High	Address communication/coordination issues. Increase frequency of meetings and data exchange and coordination				
IP ownership issues develop	Low	Moderate	Face-to-face meetings among PIs and appropriate administrative people. Address/remedy issues and disagreements				



Resource-Loaded Schedule

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Task 1.0 - Project Management and Planning	10/1/2015	9/30/2018												
Subtask 1.1 - Project Management and Planning	10/1/2015	9/30/2018												
Subtask 1.2 - Briefing and Reports	10/1/2015	9/30/2018											-	
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Subtask 4.1 - Unit Operation Testing	4/1/2016	3/31/2017												
Subtask 4.2 - Mathematical Model Development	10/1/2015	3/31/2017											_	
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Subtask 5.1 - Materials Optimization and Scale-up	4/1/2017	3/31/2018												
Subtask 5.2 - Integrated Testing	4/1/2017	6/30/2018												
Subtask 5.3 - Model Simulation and Data Analysis	4/1/2017	3/31/2018												
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Subtask 6.1 - Process Design/Optimization	4/1/2018	9/30/2018												
Subtask 6.2 - Sensitivity Analysis	7/1/2018	9/30/2018												
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Milestone Log

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Period	ID	Task	Description	Completion	Completion	Verification Method
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1	а	1	Updated PMP submitted	10/31/2015		PMP document
1	b	1	Kick-off meeting convened	12/31/2015		Presentation file/report documents
1	с	3	Construction of the lab-scale MR-AR experimental system (designed for pressures up to 25 bar) completed	3/31/2016		Description and photographs provided in the quarterly report
1	d	2	Preparation/characterization of the CMS membranes at the anticipated process conditions (up to 300°C and 25 bar total pressure) completed	6/30/2016		Results reported in the quarterly report
1	e	2	Preparation/characterization of the HT- based adsorbents at the anticipated process conditions (300-450°C and up to 25 bar total pressure) completed. Adsorbent working capacity, adsorption/desorption kinetics determined. Global rate expression for Co/Mo-based sour shift catalysts at the anticipated process conditions (up to 300°C and 25 bar total pressure) generated	12/31/2016		Results reported in the quarterly report
1	f	4	MR subsystem testing and reporting of key parameters (permeance, selectivity, catalyst weight, temperature, pressures, residence time, CO conversion, effluent stream compositions, etc.) completed	3/31/2017		Results reported in the quarterly report
1	¢ŋ	4	AR subsystem testing and reporting of key parameters (adsorbent and catalyst weight, temperatures, pressures, residence time, desorption mode, working capacity, energy demand, effluent stream compositions, etc.) completed	3/31/2017		Results reported in the quarterly report
1	h	4	Mathematical model modifications to simulate the hybrid MR-AR process and validate model using experimental MR and AR subsystem test results completed	3/31/2017		Results reported in the quarterly report



Milestone Log, cont.

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Budget Period	ID	Task	Description	Planned Completion Date	Actual Completion Date	Verification Method
2	i	5	Parametric testing of the integrated, lab- scale MR-AR system and identification of optimal operating conditions for long- term testing completed	9/30/2017		Results reported in the quarterly report
2	j	5	Short-term (24 hr for initial screening) and long-term (>100 hr) hydrothermal and chemical stability (e.g., NH ₃ , H ₂ S, H ₂ O, etc.) materials evaluations at the anticipated process conditions completed	3/31/2018		Results reported in the quarterly report
2	k	5	Integrated system modeling and data analysis completed	3/31/2018		Results reported in the quarterly report
2	1	5	Materials optimization with respect to membrane permeance/selectivity and adsorbent working capacity at the anticipated process conditions (up to 300°C for membranes and 300-450°C for adsorbents, and up to 25 bar total pressure) completed	6/30/2018		Results reported in the quarterly report
2	m	5	Operation of the integrated lab-scale MR-AR system for at least 500 hr at the optimal operating conditions to evaluate material stability and process operability completed	6/30/2018		Results reported in the quarterly report
2	n	6	Preliminary process design and optimization based on integrated MR-AR experimental results completed	9/30/2018		Results reported in Final Report
2	0	6	Initial technical and economic feasibility study and sensitivity analysis completed	9/30/2018		Results reported in Final Report
1,2	QR	1	Quarterly report	Each quarter		Quarterly Report files
2	FR	1	Draft Final report	10/31/2018		Draft Final Report file



Success Criteria

Decision Point	Basis for Decision/Success Criteria
	Successful completion of all work proposed in Budget Period 1.
Completion of Budget Period 1	Measurements of membrane permeance for H_2 , CH_4 , CO , CO_2 both in the absence and presence of H_2O , NH_3 , H_2S for full-range of operating temperatures (up to 300°C) and total pressures (10-25 bar). Creation of Robeson (selectivity vs. permeance) plots. Target range for H_2 permeance 1-1.5 m ³ /m ² .hr.bar; Target range for H_2/CO selectivity 80-100
	Measurement of adsorption/desorption kinetics and working capacity at relevant conditions $(300^{\circ}C < T < 450^{\circ}C)$, pressures up to 25 bar). Measurement of catalytic kinetics, and the development of global rate expression at relevant conditions (temperatures up to 300°C and pressures up to 25 bar). Target for working capacity >3 wt%
	Complete fabrication of the lab-scale apparatus and testing of the individual units (MR or AR) at relevant experimental conditions. Measurements of CO conversion (%), H_2 recovery (%) and purity (%), CO_2 capture ratio/purity (%) and energy demand for regeneration (kJ/mol CO ₂). Generation of experimental data sufficient to validate the model. Target for CO conversion >95%; Target for H_2 purity >95%; Target for H_2 recovery >90%.
	Completion of simulations of the MR-AR system that indicate its ability to meet the 90% CO_2 capture and 95% CO_2 purity targets.
	Submission and approval of a Continuation Application in accordance with the terms and conditions of the award. The Continuation Application should include a detailed budget and budget justification for budget revisions or budget items not previously justified, including quotes and budget justification for service contractors and major equipment items
	Successful completion of all work proposed in Budget Period 2.
Completion of Budget Period 2	Completion of short-term (24 hr) and long-term (>100 hr) hydrothermal/chemical stability evaluations. Membranes/adsorbents are stable towards fuel gas constituents (e.g., NH ₃ , H ₂ S, H ₂ O) at the anticipated process operating conditions. Target <10% decline in performance over 100 hr of testing.
	Completion of integrated testing and system operated for >500 hr at optimal process conditions.
	Results of the initial technical and economic feasibility study show significant progress toward achievement of the overall fossil energy performance goals of 90% CO_2 capture rate with 95% CO_2 purity at a cost of electricity 30% less than baseline capture approaches
	Submission of updated membrane and adsorbent state-point data tables based on the results of integrated lab- scale MR-AR testing
	Submission of a Final Report

Notation

p = pellet, r = reactor, M = permeation zone $\varepsilon_V^p\left(\frac{m^3 fluid}{m^3 pellet}\right)$: pellet volume void fraction $P^{r}(Pa)$: pressure inside reactor $x_{f,j}^r \left(\frac{kg \ j}{k\sigma \ fluid} \right); \ j = 1, N_s:$ mass fraction of the jth species $\varepsilon_A^p\left(\frac{m^2 \text{ permeable surface}}{m^2 \text{ total surface}}\right)$:pellet area void fraction η_i ; $j = 1, N_s$: effectiveness factor of ith species $\varepsilon_{I}\left(\frac{m^{2} fluid - solid interfacial area}{m^{3} reactor}\right)$ is the area to volume interfacial factor $r_{j}\left(\frac{mol \ j}{(kg \ solid \cdot s)}\right); \ j = 1, N_{s}:$ mass generation rate of jth species per mass of solid $\overline{j_{f,j}^{p}}\left(\frac{kg}{m^{2}},s\right)$; $j = 1, N_{s}$: diffusive mass flux of the jth species in reactor $J_{H_2}\left(\frac{kg}{m^2 c}\right)$: hydrogen flux through the membrane $M_{j}\left(\frac{kg j}{kmol i}\right); j=1, N_{s}:$ molar mass of the jth species $E_a\left(\frac{J}{mol}\right)$: is the membrane permeability activation energy $\overline{j_{f,j}^{p}}\left(\frac{kg}{m^{2}}, j\right); j = 1, N_{s}$: diffusive mass flux of the jth species in pellet $B_{H_o}\left(\frac{mol \ H_2}{m^2 \ s \ Pa^n}\right)$: is the membrane permeability pre-exponential factor $k_s^p \left(\frac{J}{m \, s \, K} \right)$: thermal conductivity of solid phase $P_{e_{m}}$: mass effective radial Peclet number $k_s^p \left(\frac{J}{m \, s \, K} \right)$: thermal conductivity of fluid phase R_{mem} : selective membrane radius $P_{H_{2},r}$: Hydrogen partial pressure in Reaction zone $T^{p}(K^{\circ})$:temperature of pellet $P_{H_{\gamma,p}}$: Hydrogen partial pressure in permeation zone $\rho_f\left(\frac{kg \ fluid}{m^3 \ fluid}\right)$: density of fluid phase $d_{t}(m)$: diameter of the reactor tube $d_{n}(m)$: diameter of the pellet $\vec{v_f}\left(\frac{m}{s}\right)$: velocity of fluid phase $\tilde{h}_{j}\left(\frac{J}{mol \ i}\right) j = 1, N_{s}$: molar enthalpy of jth species $\varepsilon_{V}^{p} \left(\frac{m^{3} fluid}{m^{3} reactor} \right) : \text{ reactor volume void fraction} \\ \varepsilon_{A}^{r} \left(\frac{m^{2} permeable surface}{m^{2} total surface} \right) : \text{ reactor area void fraction}$ $h\left(\frac{J}{m^2 \cdot s \cdot K}\right)$: heat transfer coefficient between fluid and pellet $U\left(\frac{J}{m^2 \cdot s \cdot K}\right)$: heat transfer coefficient between fluid and reactor external wall 52

Notation

a = adsorbent, PSAR = pressure swelling adsorping reactor

$$\begin{split} &U_1\left(\frac{J}{m^2\cdot s\cdot K}\right): \text{ heat transfer coefficient between fluid and membrane wall}\\ &d_t\left(m\right): \text{ diameter of permeation zone}\\ &T^{W}\left(K^{*}\right): \text{ temperature at reactor external wall}\\ &T^{porm}\left(K^{*}\right): \text{ temperature at membrane wall}\\ &T^{r}\left(K^{*}\right): \text{ temperature of reactor}\\ &\left(T^{p}\right)^{s}\left(K^{*}\right): \text{ temperature at pellet surface}\\ &x_{i}^{M}\left(\frac{kg\ i}{kg\ fluid}\right);\ j=1, N_{s}:\text{mass fraction of the ith species in permeation zone}\\ &\rho^{M}\left(\frac{kg\ fluid}{m^{3}\ fluid}\right): \text{ density of fluid phase in permeation zone}\\ &\overline{v^{M}}\left(\frac{m}{s}\right): \text{ velocity of fluid phase in permeation zone}\\ &\overline{p^{M}}\left(\frac{J}{moli}\right)i=1, N_{s}:\text{molar enthalpy of ith species in permeation zone}\\ &h_{i}^{M}\left(\frac{J}{kg\ fluid}\right): \text{ enthalpy of fluid in permeation zone}\\ &h_{i}^{M}\left(\frac{J}{kg\ fluid}\right): \text{ thermal conductivity of fluid phase in permeation zone} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} & \mathcal{F}^{p}(K^{*}): \text{ temperature of permeation zone} \\ & \mathcal{E}^{P}_{V}\left(\frac{m^{3} \ fluid}{m^{3} \ pellet}\right): \text{adsorbent volume void fraction} \\ & \mathcal{E}^{p}_{A}\left(\frac{m^{2} \ permeable \ surface}{m^{2} \ total \ surface}\right): \text{ adsorbent area void fraction} \\ & (C_{v})_{i}\left(\frac{J}{kg\cdot K}\right): \text{ constant volume heat capacity of the solid phase} \\ & x^{a}_{f,j}\left(\frac{kg \ j}{kg \ fluid}\right); \ j = 1, N_{s} \text{ mass fraction of the jth species} \\ & R_{j}\left(\frac{mol}{kg \ -adsorbent.s}\right): \text{ adsorption rate of jth species per kg} \\ & adsorbent per second \\ & C_{seq,j}\left(\frac{mol}{kg \ -adsorbent}\right): \text{ molar equilibrium concentration of jth species} \\ & b_{j}\left(Pa^{-1}\right); \ j = 1, N_{s}: \text{ adsorption equilibrium constant of jth species} \\ & b_{j}\left(Pa^{-1}\right); \ j = 1, N_{s}: \text{ adsorption equilibrium constant of jth species} \\ & T^{a}\left(K^{c}\right): \text{ temperature of adsorbent} \\ & \mathcal{E}^{PSA}_{V}\left(\frac{m^{3} \ fluid}{m^{3} \ PSA}\right): \text{ PSAR volume void fraction} \\ & \mathcal{E}^{PSA}_{A}\left(\frac{mol}{kg \ -adsorbent.}\right): \text{ Total adsorbent capacity} \\ & 53 \end{aligned}$$