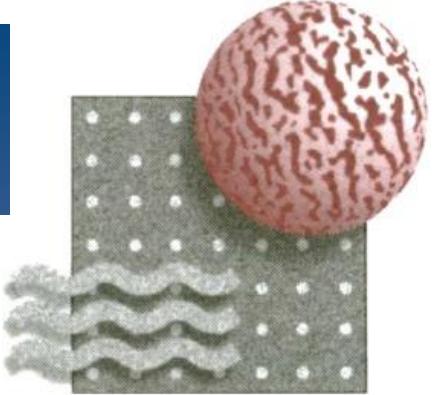


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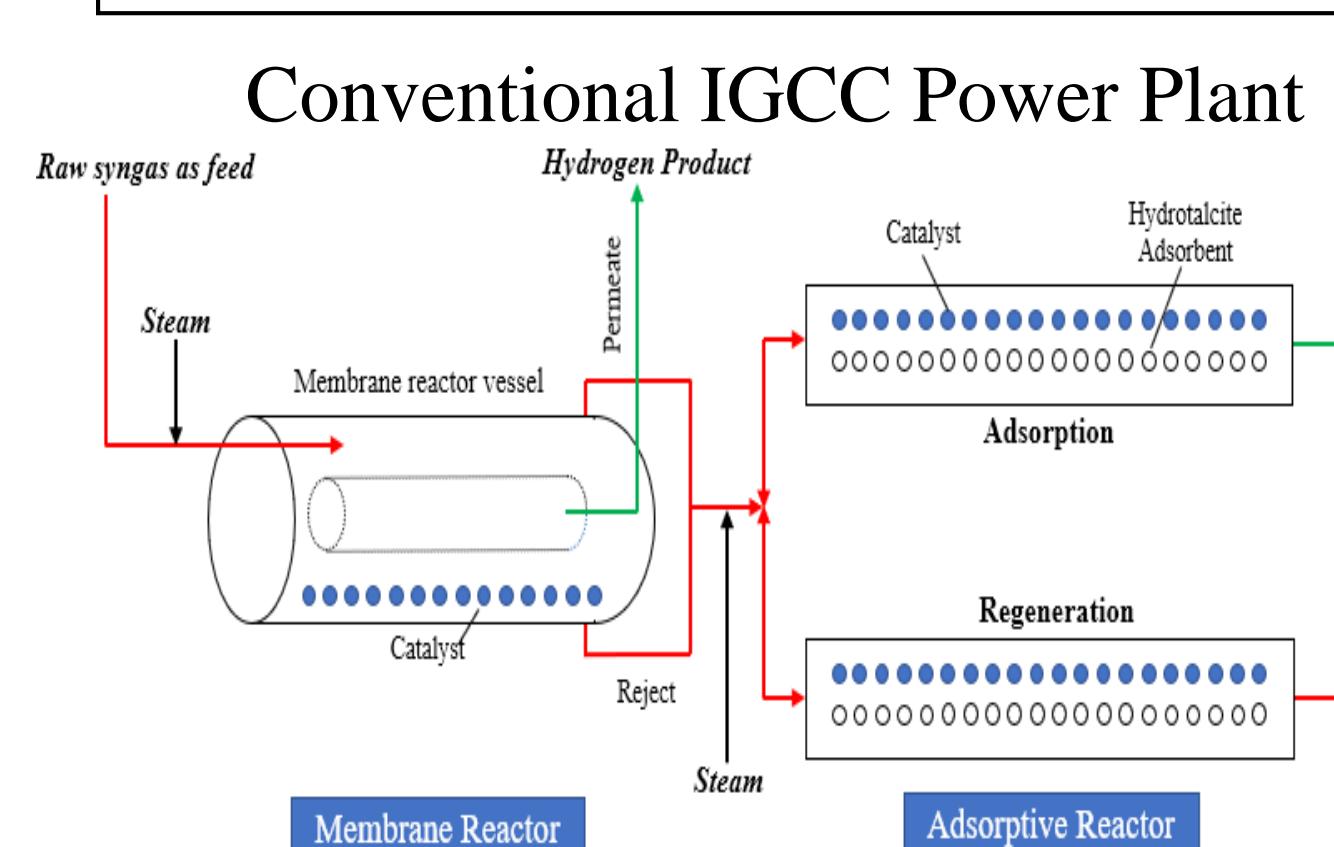
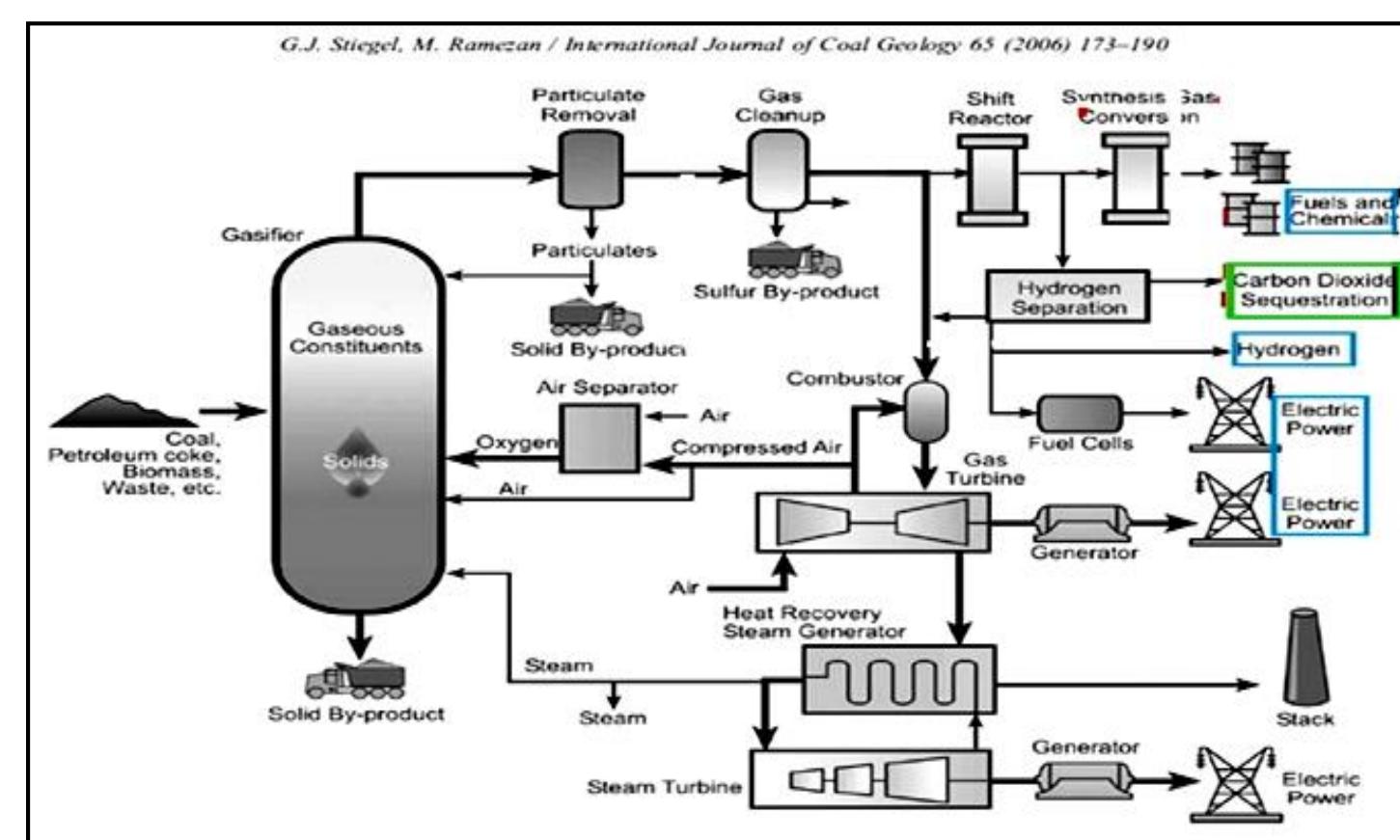


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Technology Background

Adsorption-enhanced WGS membrane reactor (MR-AR) process for pre-combustion CO₂ capture

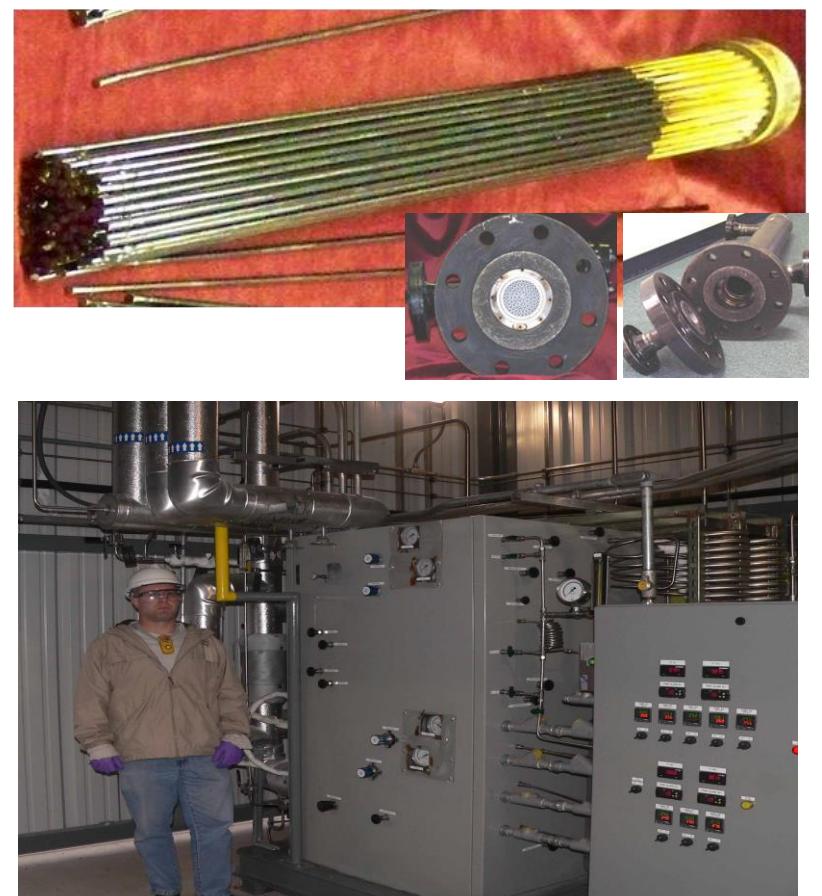


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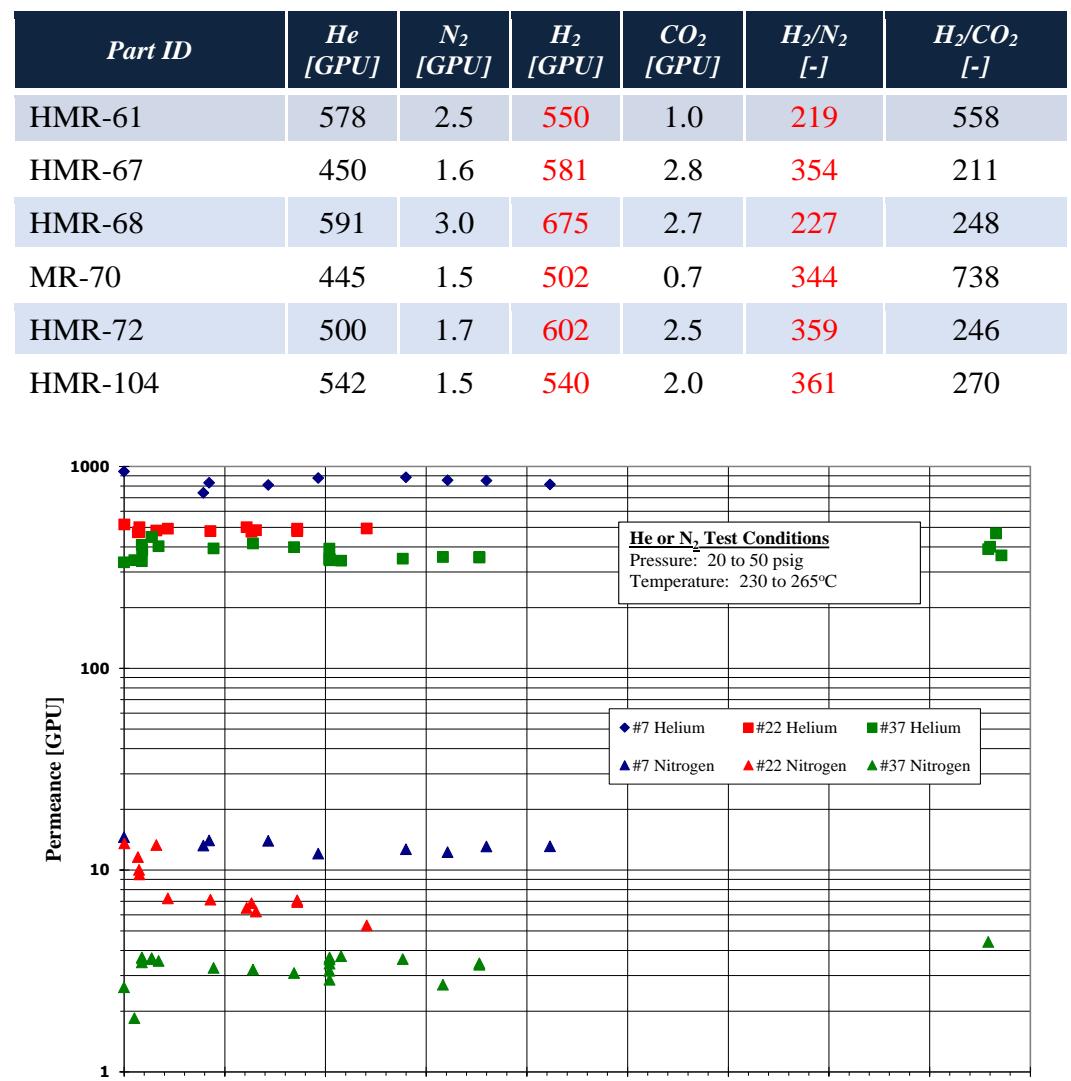
- No syngas pretreatment required
- Improved WGS efficiency
- Significantly reduced catalyst weight usage requirements
- Efficient H₂ production, and superior CO₂ recovery and purity

Key Technology Components

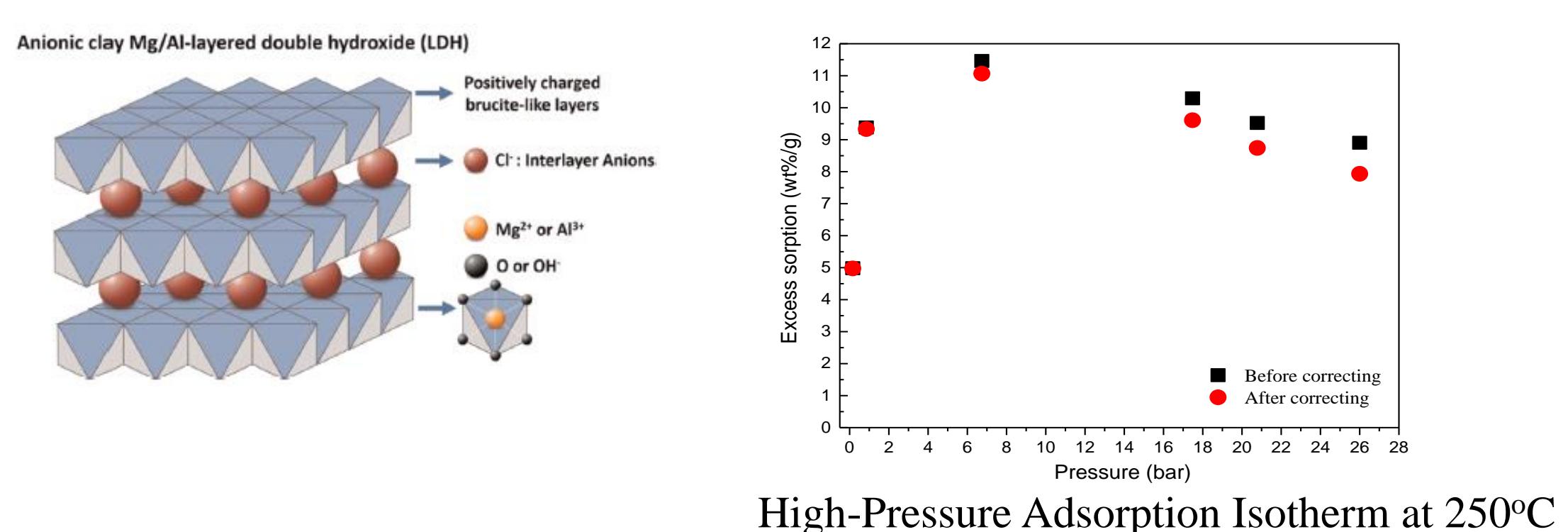
Carbon Molecular Sieve (CMS) Membranes



Field-tested at NCCC

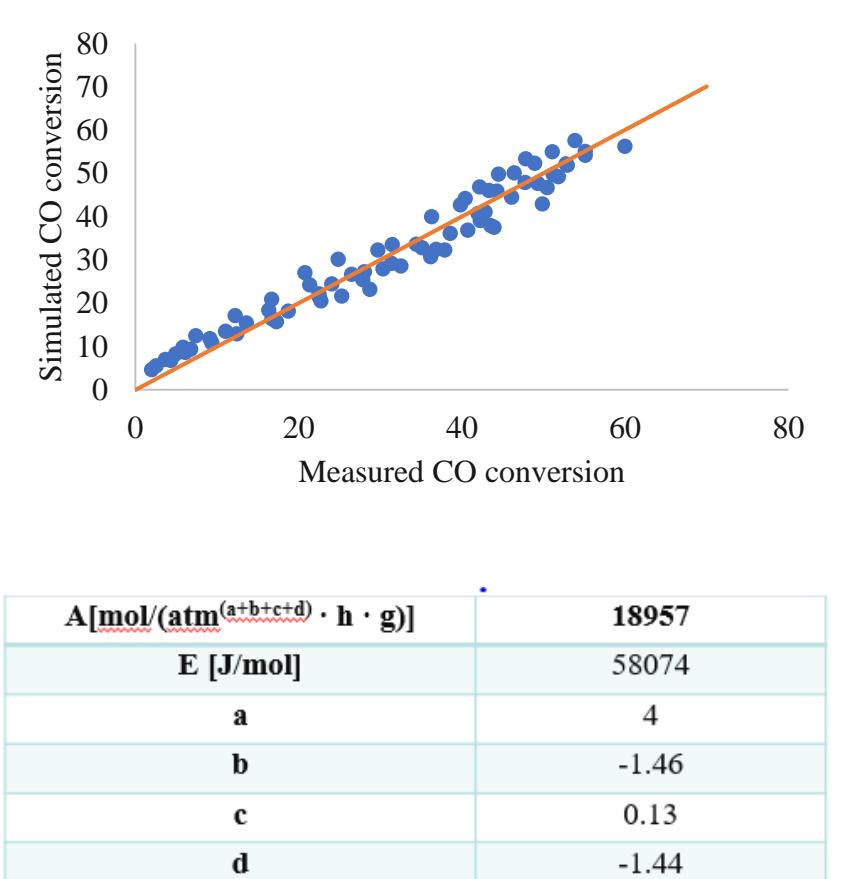


Hydrotalcite (HTC) Adsorbent



Co-Mo/Al₂O₃ Sour-Shift Catalyst

Reaction rate data generated and global kinetics model developed

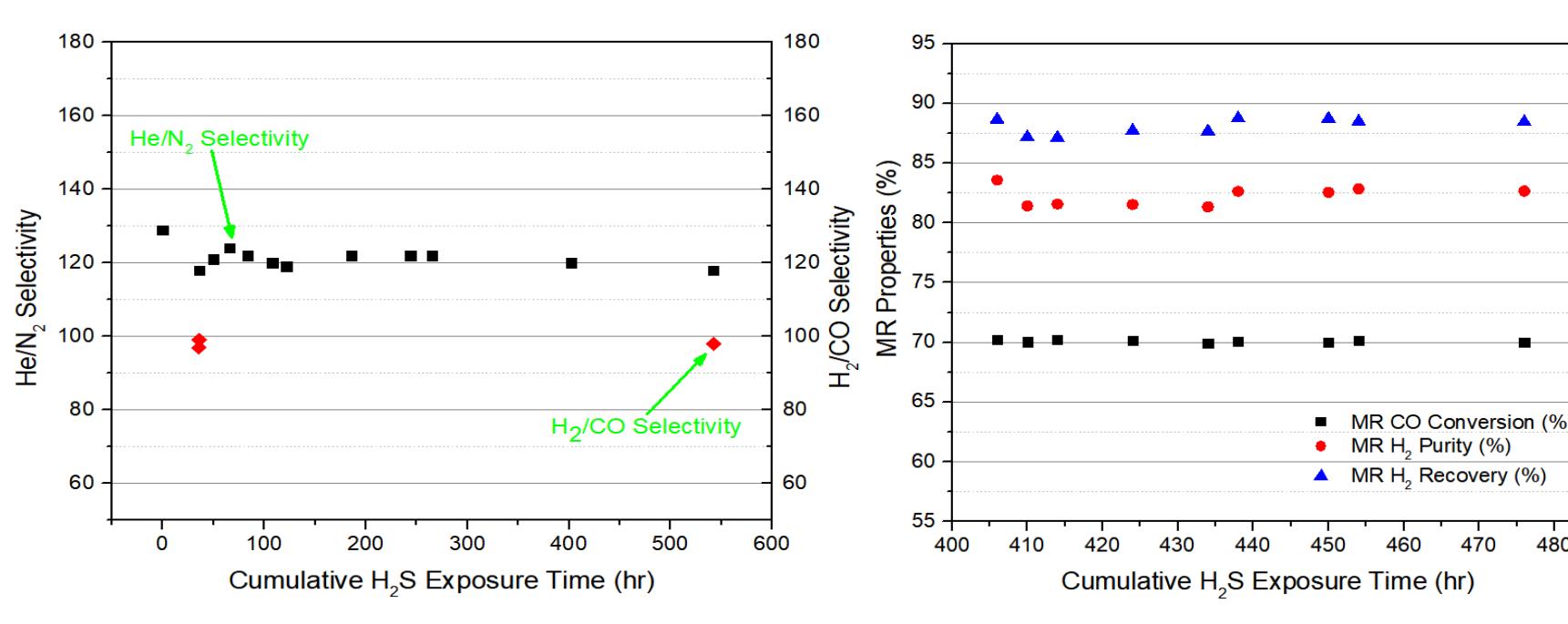


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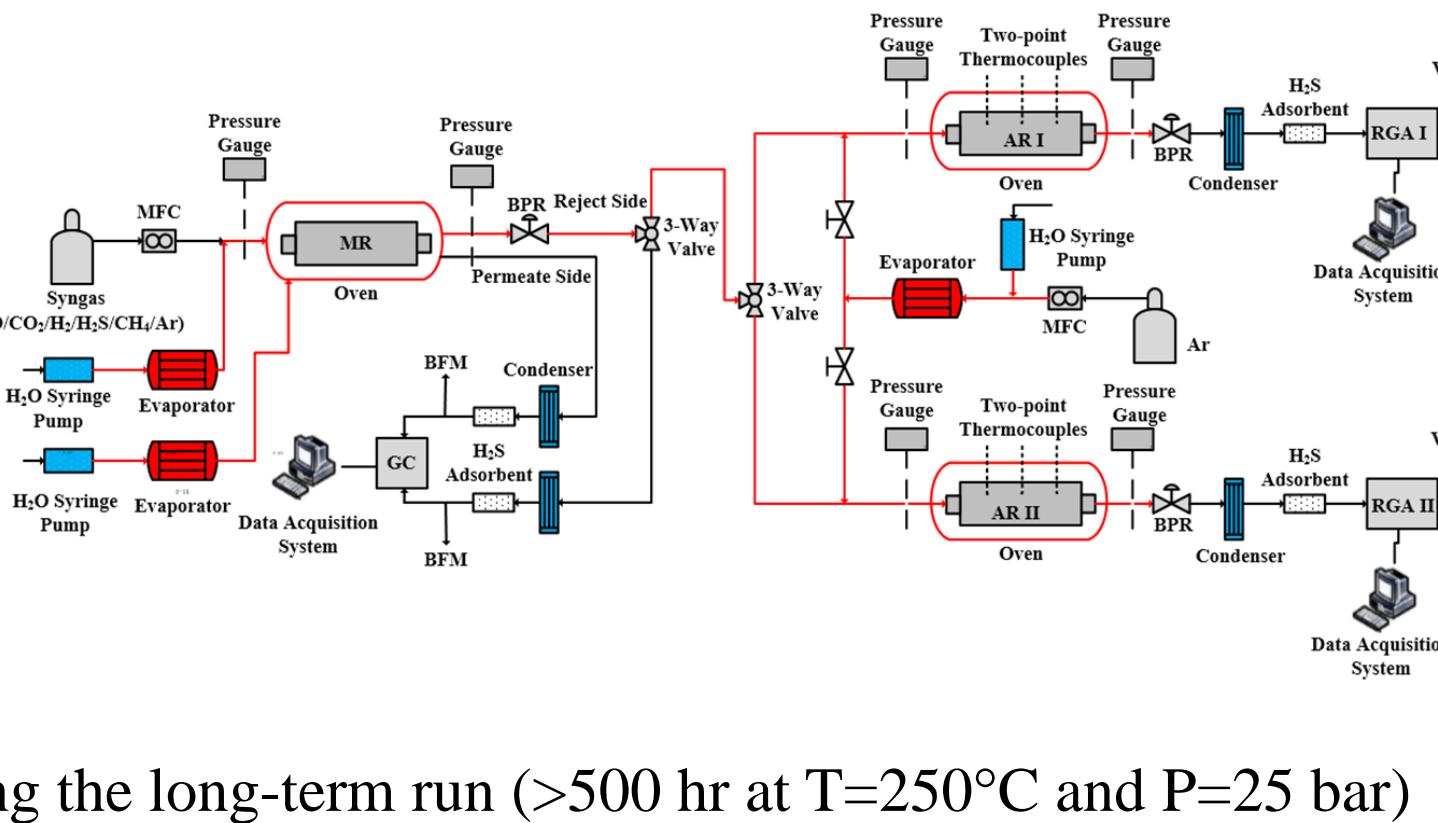
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Lab-Scale Experiments

Membrane Reactor Studies

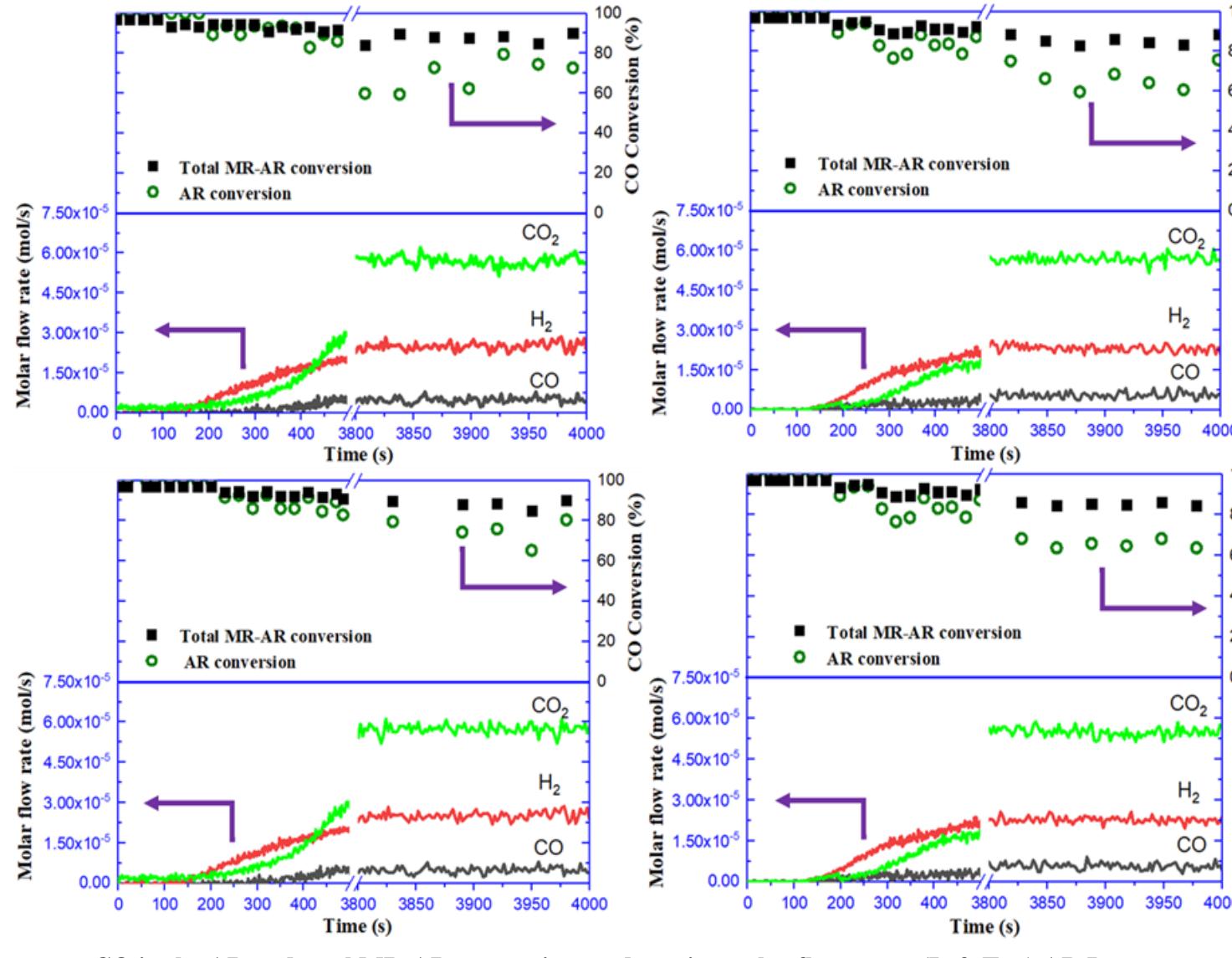


Lab-Scale Experimental Set-Up



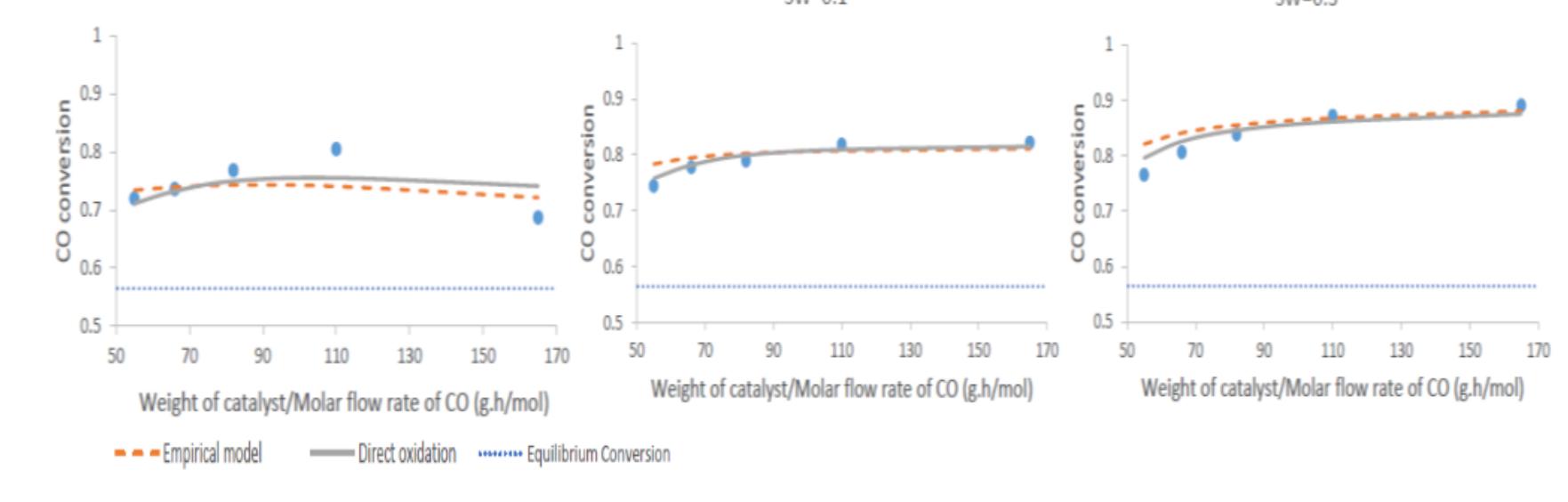
The CMSM employed demonstrated robust and stable performance during the long-term run (>500 hr at T=250°C and P=25 bar)

AR Studies



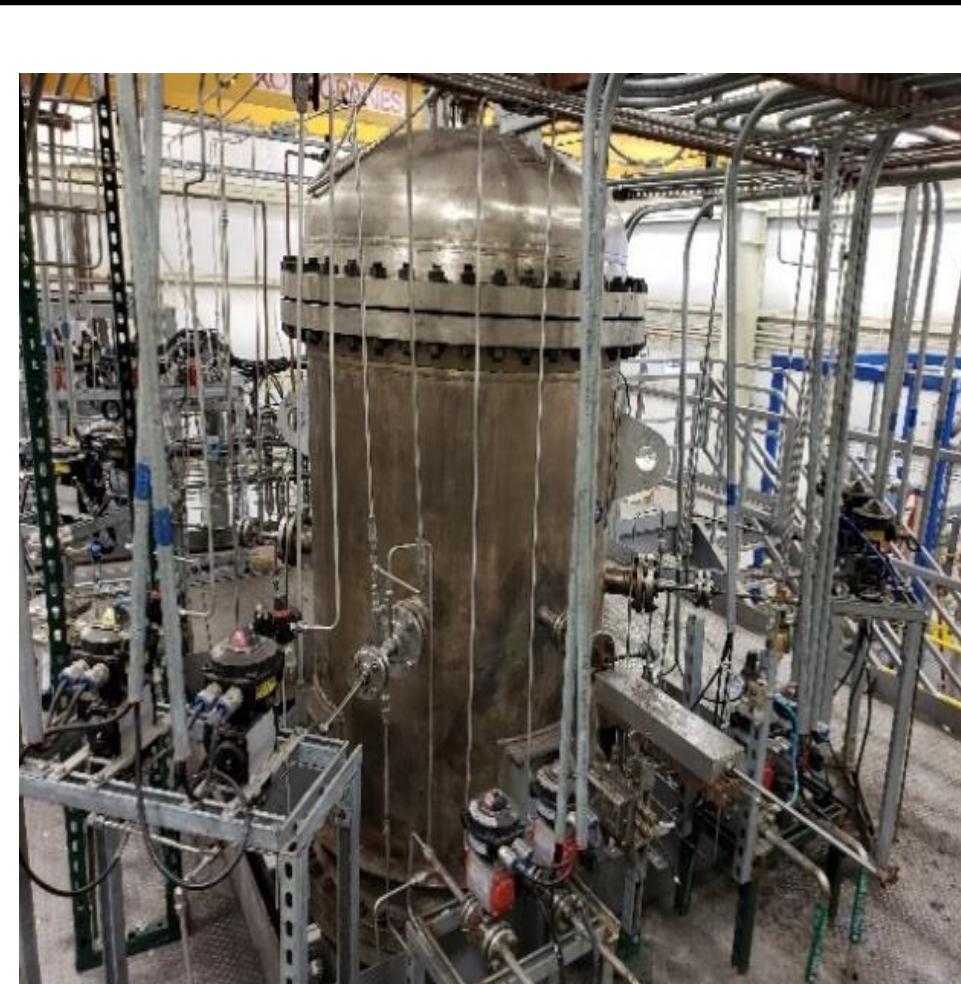
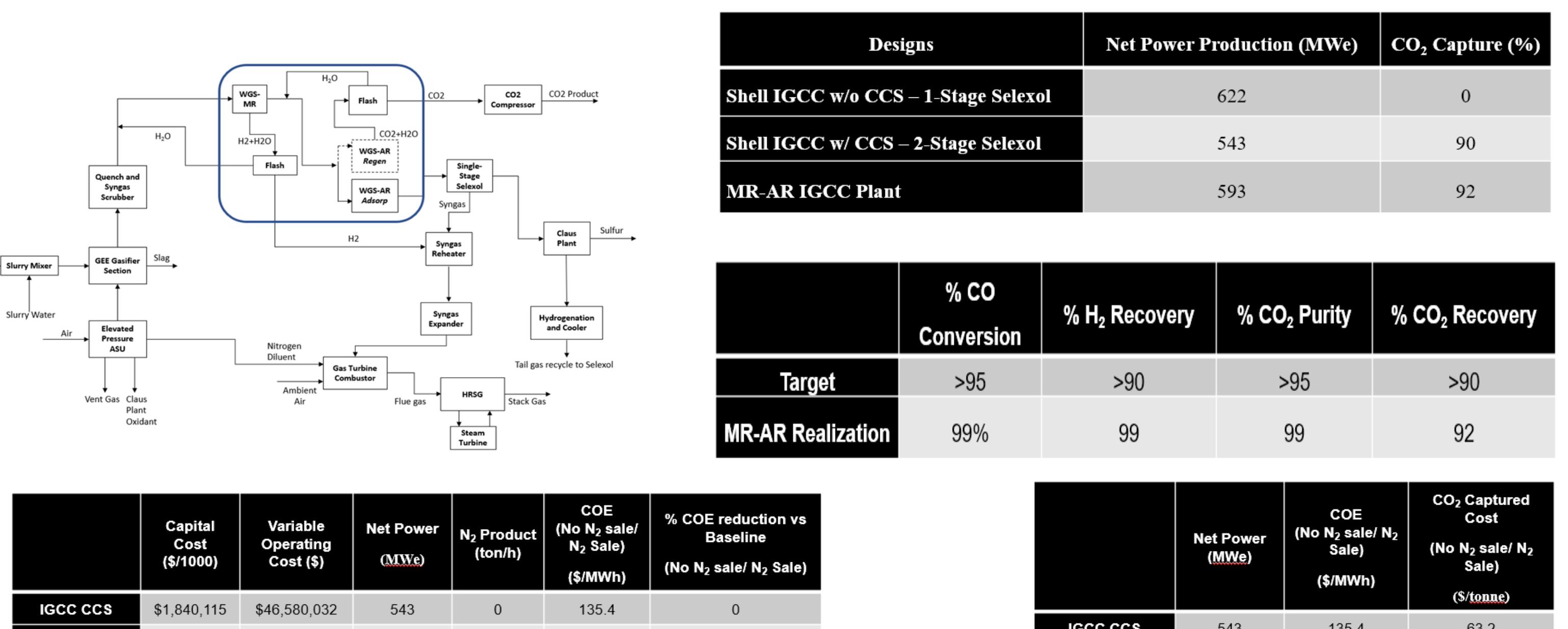
CO in the AR and total MR-AR conversion, and species molar flow rates. (Left Top) AR I, first cycle, (Right Top) AR II, first cycle, (Left Bottom) AR I, second cycle, (Right Bottom) AR II, second cycle. Temp.=250 °C, pressure=25 bar, H₂/CO ratio=2.8, W/F_{CO}=55 g/h/mol.

Multi-Scale MR-AR Model for Process Scale-Up

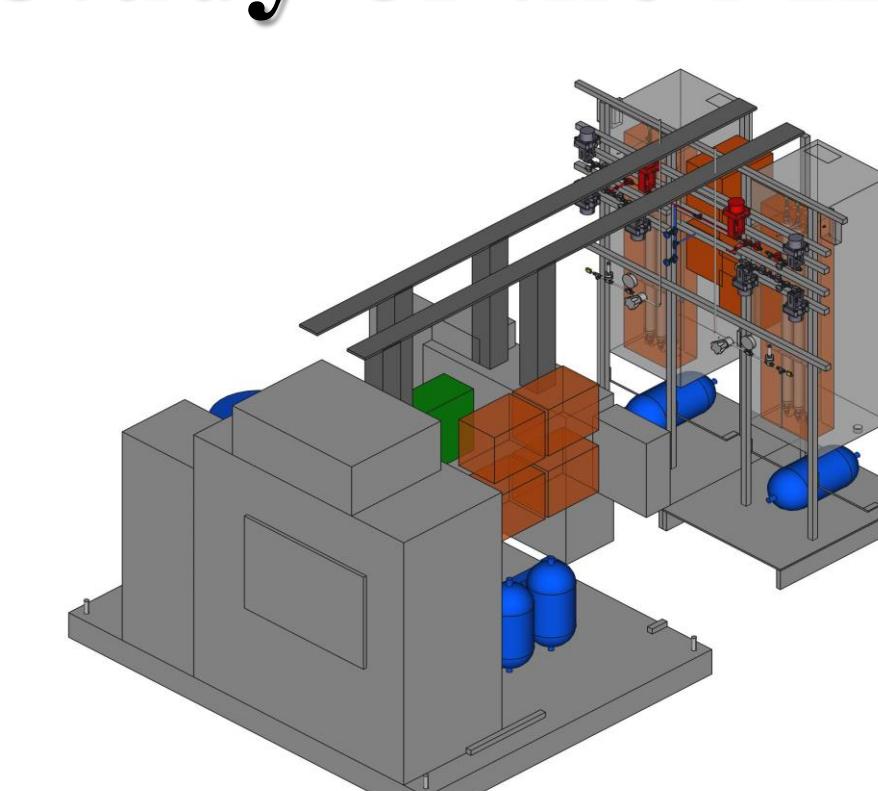


The MR-AR model accounts for mass/energy balances in the catalyst, sorbent and the reactor fluid phases. The Dusty-Gas-Model is used to describe membrane transport. It describes well the laboratory data without resorting to adjustable parameters. It is used in the TEA calculations.

Preliminary TEA - MR-AR IGCC Process Scheme



Field-Scale Study of the MR-AR Process



Uky-CAER Gasifier

MR-AR Skid