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WP1.1: Power electronics for electrolysis

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Content

PEM water electrolyzer performance

- Power quality effect
 - Energy efficiency and degradation
 - A parallel single cells PEM test bench delayed too much ⇒ Measurement carried out in FZJ

Plant level modelling

- Industrial alkaline water electrolysis
 - 3 MW plant level AWE model to analyze the operation
 - Analysis of stray currents in AWE (in collaboration with FinH2 project)
- Off-grid water electrolyzer plant dimensioning and control
 - Solar-battery-5 kW PEMWE
 - Solar-wind-battery-100 MW AWE

Standardization

 Participation to the working group "EU harmonised testing procedure: Determination of water electrolyser energy performance"

Networking

- Collaboration with FZJ, KIT (<u>Energy Lab 2.0</u>), DTU, EERA JP ES, and <u>StoRIES</u>
- 3 months research visit in autumn 2022 to FZJ





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Book chapter

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Power quality effect on PEMWE cell energy efficiency

Effect of Power Quality on the Design of PEM Water Electrolysis Systems

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Problem: Easy (and cheap) AC/DC converters generate DC current with significant ripples
Typical for industrial 12-pulse thyristor bridge based converters



- Current ripple
 - Causes additional losses ⇒ increases specific energy consumption (SEC)
 - Effect can be compensated by increasing the cell area, but it would not be feasible

Question: What is the effect of different current ripples on the specific energy consumption for H₂ production?

Approach: Semi-empirical simulation model for PEM electrolysis efficiency (Nafion 117, 75°C)









Sensitivity analysis of the process conditions affecting the shunt currents and the SEC in an industrial-scale alkaline water electrolyzer





- Developed a shunt current model embedded in the in-house dynamic semi-empirical process model of a 3 MW and 16 bar AWE plant
- Question answered:
 - How current supply, temperature, pressure, electrolyte flow rate, and KOH concentration affect the stack's shunt currents and plant's SEC?



Simulation methodology for optimization of component A? & LUT Capacities and system control in off-grid WE plants

- Developed a methodology to optimize simultaneously component capacities and system control
- Main results for system: 4.5 kW PEMWE + Solar PV + BESS
 - Cost of WE has a critical role to reduce the cost of green hydrogen
 - Battery is just used to provide steadier power and to avoid rapid electrolyzer shutdowns



(a) Cost of the hydrogen produced.



Off-grid solar-wind-battery-water electrolyzer plant

- Second study: 100 MW AWE + Solar PV + Wind power + BESS
- Updated economic and technical models: LCOH calculation, 30 years plant simulation, component's degradation and replacements, CAPEX and OPEX of different installation years based on components learning curves





WP1.2: CO₂ direct air and seawater capture

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- Experimental work involved absorption of CO₂ into amino acid salt (potassium glycinate) solution, in a polypropylene hollow-fiber membrane contactor
- Experimental unit included the whole cycle including CO₂ absorption and solvent regeneration. Heat exchangers and other main auxiliary equipment included

Experimental CO₂ capture unit (original design) 1: membrane contactor 2: solvent regeneration





- Effective CO₂ capture was observed
- Mass transfer process could be described by established theory
- Estimated values of mass transfer coefficients were comparable to literature references
- Limited long-term testing showed no degradation in membrane performance (but without impurities)



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Solvent regeneration problems

- Insufficient solvent regeneration because of high CO₂ content in solution entering the contactor)
- A simplistic configuration for the regeneration step was not found effective
- The aim was to operate at vacuum and low temperature in order to use low-cost heat
- Under mild conditions, equilibrium could not be reached in the designed regeneration unit

Attempts to improve solvent regeneration (CO₂ liberation)

- Use of the PTFE contactor for solvent regeneration (CO₂ stripping) would have been interesting but could not be done due to contactor failure
- An ultrasonic probe was acquired and tested but no improvement in performance was found



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- Rough cost estimates were prepared for cases at 5– 15% CO₂ in inlet gas
 - Total capture cost varied from 143 €/t CO₂ (5%) to 99 €/t (15%)
 - Energy for solvent regeneration (and not contactor CAPEX) is the main contribution in total cost. Alternative solvents may have significant effects to decreased costs
 - Significant reduction in equipment volume is found compared to conventional equipment (columns) in scale-up.





Alternative Process study: Integration of a calcium carbonate



Total negative CO_2 emissions 6-8 t/a for 50 kg/d CO_2 capture (10 vol-%), 39 t Ca CO_3 /a Average Ca CO_3 price roughly: 700-800 EUR/t Market 450-9000 EUR/t (low/high quality) Scalable process with NaOH solvent, small energy costs due to avoiding regeneration stage.

Process development reported, Doctoral thesis: Soheil Aghajanian, Reactive crystallisation studies of caco3 processing via a co2 capture process..., 2022

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CO₂ seawater capture



Aim and objectives

Development of intensified modular membrane technology for CO₂ capture from seawater using electrodialysis.
 Feasibility, efficiency and durability of membranes (commercial and modified) will be studied.

Actions

- Construction of BiPolar Membrane ElectroDialysis (BPED) set-up in lab-scale.
- Testing the set-up with commercial membranes and modified (polyelectrolyte multilayer) ones
- Feasibility study, process modelling and conceptual planning of CO₂ seawater capture proof-of-concept

Outcomes

Seawater capture proof-of-concept



Background

 Electrodialysis in CaCO₃ precipitation from brine by shifting pH from about 8 (natural seawater/brine) to 9 - 9.2

Blue = in sea water/brine

Red = added base

 $HCO_{3}^{-} + 2Na^{+} + OH^{-} + Ca^{2+} + 2CI^{-} \Leftrightarrow CO_{3}^{2-} + H_{2}O + Ca^{2+} + 2Na^{+} + 2CI^{-} \Leftrightarrow H_{2}O + 2Na^{+} + 2CI^{-} + CaCO_{3}(s)$

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Reagent	g/L
Na_2SO_4	8.380219
NaHCO₃	0.13
NaCl	48.15131
КСІ	1.528205
MgCl ₂	10.98107
CaCl ₂	2.382338
Na ₂ CO ₃	0.0424

At about pH = 9, precipitate can be observed





Results (1/3)

Lab-scale set-up (PCCell GmbH) assembled

ED cell (10 stacks)



Power source





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Results (2/3)



Precipitated amount of $CaCO_3$ from synthetic brine at 30°C using the base solution from the BPED system. Red line stand for theoretical max when CO_3^{2-} is limiting.

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Results (3/3)

- CO₂ seawater capture was simulated for mid-sized desalination plant: (Valtteri Veijalainen, Feasibility study for CO₂ capture from seawater using an electrodialysis process, MSc Thesis, LUT University, 2021)
- Plant produce 36.5 Mt brine/year \Rightarrow 13 400 t CaCO₃ by using BPED
- CAPEX 96.8 M€
- OPEX 52.6 M€
- BPED easy to scale-up ⇒ large amount of CO₂ could be removed





Conclusions (1/2)

- BPED works well for acid/base production (high water splitting efficiency)
- BPED process works in precipitating CaCO₃ from desalination brine but:
 - CaCO₃ crystallisation kinetics slow due to dilute brine solution,
 - Crystals do not settle well (must be separated by filtering or centrifuge)
 - Crystals weak and break easily





Conclusions (2/2)

- Large scale process simulations show economically unfeasible process
 - Price for CaCO₃ about 4000–5000 €/t
 - Justification for usage of this process: e.g. reduction of atmospheric CO₂, Reduction ocean acidification

 Process has great potential to reduce CO₂ from atmosphere since BPED easy to scale-up and there are around 20 000 desalination plants globally





WP1.3.1: Methanol synthesis from CO₂ and H₂

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Intensification methods for methanol synthesis

- Removal of thermodynamic limitations in methanol synthesis by a sorptionenhanced process Doctoral thesis: Pavel Maksimov, Methanol synthesis via CO₂ hydrogenation ia a periodically operated multifunctional reactor, 2022
 - The topic was studied:
 - experimentally with sorption-enhanced methanol synthesis
 - by dynamic modelling of methanol process

 $CO + 2H_2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH$ $CO_2 + H_2 \rightleftharpoons CO + H_2O$ $CO_2 + 3H_2 \rightleftharpoons CH_3OH + H_2O$

- Development of millichannel reactor
 - by CFD simulations (Aalto)
 - by heat transfer mock-up experiments, design calculations, and CFD simulations

M.Sc. Thesis, Mohamed Nuzair Ahamed, Evaluation of plate & shell type heat exchanger as millichannel reactor in methanol synthesis, LUT University, 2022

Sorption enhanced MeOH synthesis process



Cyclic operation of fixed bed reactor:

- Reaction phase with adsorption
- Regeneration of the catalyst-adsorbent bed





Process design



Techno-economic analysis



Basis of the cost analysis

- Methanol capacity 11 kt/a (for adiabatic) and 16 kt/a (for isothermal)
- Plant lifetime 20 years
- Interest rate 8 %
- Cost for CO₂ 50 €/t
- Cost for H₂ 3000 €/t

Evaluated methanol costs





Plate & shell type heat exchanger as millichannel reactor





M.Sc. Thesis, Mohamed Nuzair Ahamed, Evaluation of plate & shell type heat exchanger as millichannel reactor in methanol synthesis, LUT University, 2022

- ✓ The reactor can tolerate high temperatures (up to 600 °C) and pressures (100 bar)
- ✓ Modular structure, easy scale-up, low costs
- ✓ Removes efficiently reaction heat
- ✓ Catalyst can be inserted to the channels as catalytic foam





Conclusions

- Dynamic fixed-bed reaction-adsorption and stripping reactor model developed
- In-house MATLAB codes available adaptaptable to different SE reactions
- Optimization of reaction conditions (temperature, catalyst/adsorbent ratio) in time-dependent mode.
- Process simulation for equipment sizing and cost estimation by integrating in-house model to ASPEN –steady state simulations.
- No breakthrough was achieved in sorption-enhanced process development
- More research is needed to develop novel catalytic and sorption materials for methanol synthesis
- Plate & shell HEX reactor needs further testing in pilot scale





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WP1.3.2: Methanol synthesis from H₂ and CO₂

WP/task leader: Annukka Santasalo-Aarnio Main researchers during the period: Ville Vuorinen, Marko Korhonen, Markus Laitinen, Judit Nyári, Daulet Izbassarov



Levelized cost of methanol – TEA evaluation Kinetic model evaluation

- 10% difference in the levelized cost
- Cost 40–55% above fossil methanol
- Newest kinetic model shows the best KPIs
- Hydrogen cost most significant cost element



J. Nyári, D. Izbassarov, Á.I. Toldy, V. Vuorinen, A. Santasalo-Aarnio, Choice of the kinetic model significantly affects the outcome of techno-economic assessments of CO₂-based methanol synthesis, Energy Convers. Manag. 271 (2022), <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/J.ENCONMAN.2022.116200</u>.



Fixed-bed reactor study



- For the fixed-bed reactor considered here, the isothermal setup outperformed the adiabatic one
- Methanol single-pass yield varied between 7–25% within the studied parameters
- A min. catalyst volume fraction of 50% required to approach methanol vields predicted by ideal

mixing assumptions



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A prototype reactor study with computational tools

- "A three-dimensional conjugate heat transfer model for methanol synthesis in a modular millireactor"
- High D_t / d_{cat} ratio → continuum porous media
- The effects of inlet temperature and pressure considered

D. Izbassarov, J. Nyári, A. Laitinen, A. Laari, A. Santasalo-Aarnio, V. Vuorinen, A three-dimensional conjugate heat transfer model for methanol synthesis in a modular millireactor, Chem. Eng. Sci. 258 (2022), https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ces.2022.117765.




Conclusions from the work



- The suggested reactor design exhibited excellent thermal characteristics in typical operating conditions
- Methanol single-pass yield varied between 9–23% within the studied parameter range according to the CFD model
- Impact of kinetic models for the TEA analysis
- 4 journal papers from Aalto research group Techno-economic model development for large scale methanol production from synthetic methanol:

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WP1.4: PtX and thermal energy storage

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Actions

- Survey of optimal materials for storing thermal energy in different temperature levels as sensible heat, latent heat or reaction heat.
- Experimental and numerical study of material properties, phase change behavior and chemical reactions in different conditions.
- Effect of geometry, materials and storage operation on energy storage performance in charging and discharging.
- Integration of thermal energy storages to PtX processes (Electrolysis, DAC, hydrocarbon synthesis)



Properties of latent heat and thermochemical energy storage materials



- Survey for PCM and TCM heat storage materials
 - Bulk and tailored materials available
 - Water as low-temperature reference (210 kJ/kg with ΔT of 50°C)
 - Thermal conductivity measurements conducted for stearic acid and erythritol
- Benefits
 - Higher energy density
 - Higher temperature levels possible
 - Stable heat flux during phase change
- Barriers for utilization
 - High cost of tailored materials
 - Low thermal conductivity
 - Material compatibility issues, corrosion, subcooling, material degradation



Phase change materials (PCM)



• Inorganic • Organic • Eutectic • Alloys



Thermochemical materials (TCM)

	Material	Reaction temperature [°C]	Energy density [kJ/kg]	
	Calcium carbonate	973-1273	761	
	Strontium carbonate	900-1200	742	
	Calcium hydroxide	400-600	845	
	Cobalt oxide	900	3029	
	Manganese oxide	1000	300-1000	
	Ammonia	400-700	2000	
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	Magnesium hydride	300-480	844	
1	Titanium hydride	650-750	204	
	Calcium hydride	1100-1400	3924	

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LUT Thermal energy storage test device and CFD modelling (1/2)

- A laboratory scale latent heat storage is constructed
- The device can be used for characterizing different phase change materials and to provide data for model validation
- Stearic acid (melting temperature is about 70 °C) is used as a phase change material ($I_s = 201.6$ kJ/kg)
- Water is used as a heat transfer fluid
- Several tests are performed with different direction of the water flow (from top and bottom)
- The experimental data is used in developing and validation of the CFD and process models



Thermal energy storage test device and **A?** Sum CFD modelling (2/2)

- CFD model of the latent heat storage is developed
- Both solidification and melting of PCM can be simulated
- Main conclusions
 - Including natural convection into the model significantly reduces the computational speed, however, it is essential for modelling of latent heat storages
 - PCM phase change properties differ depending on initial state (hysteresis effect); accurate properties must be obtained separately for solidification and melting
 - CFD results can be used for improving the dynamic process model, which is more suitable for case studies and system integration modelling due to much higher computational speed





- Represent shell-and-tube heat exchanger for PCM TES with axisymmetric 2D domain
- Possibility to optimize geometry, such as
 - Number of pipes
 - Pipe length
 - Distance between pipes
 - Number of fins or amount of additive for enhancement of thermal conductivity
 - Mass of PCM
- Method allows technical and economic optimization

Detailed results published in:

E. Inkeri, T. Tynjälä, M. Nikku, Numerical modeling of latent heat thermal energy storage integrated with heat pump for domestic hot water production, Appl. Therm. Eng. 214 (2022), Article 11881, <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.applthermaleng.2022.118819</u>.





Thermal integration

- Case study for thermal integration of DAC, electrolyser and MeOH synthesis using TES
- Increasing of electrolyser temperature increases PtX performance
 - Increases waste heat utilization rate
 - Decreases cost of produced methanol
 - Increases PtX efficiency
 - Air humidity has positive effect on DAC performance and PtX efficiency



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WP2 – P2X in buildings

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P2X in buildings (1/2)



The main aim is to determine the technical feasibility of PtX applications for buildings. The main focus will be on the applications of CO_2 capture from supply/exhaust air integrated with heat storages. One objective is to create feasible business models for utilizing PtX applications (CO_2 capture from supply/exhaust air stream) in buildings, including: Life Cycle Cost perspectives, Revenue logic for different players (building owner/user, service and technology providers), Carbon Footprint considerations for different CO_2 utilization paths.

Actions

- 1. Construction of Simulink based energy system model for buildings, including CO₂ capture from supply/exhaust air integrated with novel energy storage solutions.
- 2. Development of business models by applying life cycle costing from different actor's perspective: building owners, service providers, technology providers.
- 3. Calculation of carbon footprint for alternative PtX applications.

Outcomes

- Energy model for buildings with integrated PtX systems including CO₂ capture, synthesis and energy storages.
- Benefits of CO₂ utilization potential as part of a building energy system.
- **Potential PtX applications** for building concepts.
- Business models for PtX applications for buildings.



P2X in buildings (2/2)

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Trade offs between energy savings in buildings and good indoor air quality

- Increasing evidence that indoor environmental quality influence human health and productivity

A Simulink based energy system model for buildings, including CO₂ capture



Air supply and heating:

- Energy demand
- Energy related GHG emissions
- Air flow and indoor air parameters:
 - CO₂ concentration, relative humidity, temperature, pressure

DAC:

- Energy demand
- Energy related GHG emissions
- Amount of captured CO₂



Energy demand and indoor CO₂ level



A hypothetical office building in Finland, ~1900 m2, designed airflow 1.5 dm3/s*m²



Energy, MWh/year



Indoor CO₂ level and GHG emissions



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	Airflow, m3/s	Indoor CO ₂ level, ppm	CO ₂ captured, t/y
Sc. 0. Baseline	2.8	820	-
Sc. 1. Increased airflow	9.8	520	-
Sc. 2. DAC	2.8	520	8.8
Sc. 3. Decreased airflow + DAC	1.66	820	6.8
SC.4 DAC from extract air	2.8	820	17.8

CO2 capture potential of an office building

Airflow dm3/s,m2	1	1.5	2	
CO2 captured, t/y	5.9	8.8	11.7	8-hours, working days
CO2 captured, t/y	7.4	11.0	14.7	10-hours, working days
		←		P2X ENABLE

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Recirculated air and CO₂ levels



A hypothetical office building in Hong Kong, ~1900 m² with recirculated air, designed airflow 0.75 dm³/s*m²



Amount of CO_2 can be potentially captured from a 1900 m² office building

		Hong Kong	Finland
Supply oir	W/o recirculation	4	8.8
	W/ recirculation	10	
Extract oir	W/o recirculation	12	17.8
	W/ recirculation	24	



CO₂ levels and human health



CO₂ levels in buildings:

High increase (1400–1800 ppm):

- significantly reduced the accuracy in all performance tasks, attention and memory task.
- 10–20% relative increased in student absence (aggregate data on demographic and socioeconomic variables).

Moderate increase (945 ppm):

- decrease in scores in activity levels, information usage and strategy
- sick building syndrome's symptoms, especially in eye irritation and upper respiratory symptoms



Savings from improved productivity and health can be higher than costs of energy needed for adequate ventilation

CO₂ capture potential in buildings





In Finland, there are 20 043 480 m² of office buildings (4% of all buildings)

- Airflow: 2 dm³/s*m²
- Capture efficiency: 56%, 10-hours, working days

From all office buildings in Finland 155 kt CO₂ can be captured per year

0.3% of total CO₂ emissions in Finland

From extract air 188 kt CO₂ can be captured per year

In Hong Kong: 12 539 800 m² of office buildings. Depending on the HVAC and DAC configurations, 29 - 159 kt CO₂ can be captured





CCU from building (1/2)





Construction block from steel slag

- Long-term CO₂ storage
- Possible negative carbon footprint
- Utilization of waste materials ↔ limited availability of material

Concrete curing

- A process of keeping fresh concrete in a moist and warm condition enough so that the hydration of cement can continue
- Emissions reduction can be achieved by substitution of steam curing with CO₂ curing

Gasoline

Short-term CO₂ storage



CCU from building (2/2)





- Mineral carbonation can lead to the emissions reduction even with already available energy sources
- Concrete curing provides a higher reduction of the emissions, but the emissions from the concrete production should be considered
- Construction blocks from waste materials have a lower carbon footprint
- Feedstock other than steel slag can be used, but the assessment of the emissions is needed in each case
 - Feedstock availability and the production costs might be an issue
 - The impact from energy sources is highest for the gasoline production



Baseline: electricity grid, NGas, district heating Improved: renewable electricity and heat from biomass



Conclusions

- Based on the literature the technology (DAC in buildings) can be applied to improve people performance in buildings
- Conducting CO₂ capture from recycling air or exhaust air increases the potential from the climate point of view
- Buildings are not a promising CO₂ source due to a low density of buildings in Finland, but better possibilities exist in other markets from that perspective
- Technology offers potential also for energy savings





WP3: PtX techno-economics and business potential in global-local perspective

Overview on Outcomes

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Content

Activities

- Benefits of global e-fuel/e-chemical trading
- Electrolyser capacity demand in global-local resolution
- Power-to-Food and agriculture sector for energy

Networking

- Dena (German Energy Agency): three common activities, one on CO₂ as raw material, one on e-fuels/chemicals trading, one on DAC-kerosene for aviation (this in cooperation with Ludwig-Bölkow-Systemtechnik and ClimateWorks Foundation)
- Shell International: e-fuels/chemicals global trading
- TransnetBW: e-fuels imports to Europe using shipping and pipelines also including e-hydrogen
- ETIP-PV and Fortum: analysis on solar hydrogen in comparison to blue hydrogen
- OTH Regensburg: electricity-based CO₂ removal options (carbon fibres, silicon carbide)
- CO2 Value Europe: collaboration on the value of e-fuels from CCU perspective



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Researcher seminar (1/2)



Seminar 1

- Galimova: Supply of CO₂ as raw material: sustainable and unavoidable point sources vs direct air capture
- Galimova: Investigation for first insights on Agriculture form an energy system perspective

Seminar 2

- Galimova: The role of electric fuels and electric chemicals in a future 100% renewable energy systems and their global trading patterns
- Galimova: How electric fuels can help to reduce the global air pollution issue

Seminar 4

• Fasihi: Global potential of green ammonia based on hybrid PV-wind power plants

Seminar 5

 Fasihi: Power-to-X: Global potential of synthetic liquid hydrocarbons based on hybrid PV-wind power plants and Fischer-Tropsch technology

Researcher seminar (2/2)



Seminar 6

- Fasihi: Power-to-X: Global potential of e-methanol based on hybrid PV-wind power plants
- Bogdanov: Perspectives of the global e-fuels and e-chemicals trading
- Galimova: Impact of international transportation options on cost of green e-hydrogen supply: Global cost of hydrogen and consequences for Germany and Finland
- Lopez: Securing a Green Power-to-Steel Supply for Europe

Seminar 7

- Fasihi: Global potential of e-methane based on hybrid PV-wind power plants
- Khalili: 100% renewable energy systems research: Review on the field with bibliometrics including e-fuels and the Power-to-X economy
- Caldera: Afforestation with renewable electricity based desalination as a climate change mitigation technology

In total

- 14 presentations during the project
- 7 different researchers contributed to the research of this WP

Global demand for e-fuels



Fuels and Chemicals in general:

- steady growth of chemicals
- Methanol represents non-Ammonia chemicals
- liquid hydrocarbons are in steady decline, mainly due to electrification of road transportation
- Methane demand in decline until 2040 with increase towards 2050, with some uncertainty for substitution of Methane by Hydrogen

e-fuels and e-chemicals:

- first markets in 2030
- strong growth over the decades
- less uncertainty for synthetic chemicals
- highest uncertainty for Methane demand due to substitution by Hydrogen (heat) and Ammonia/Methanol (marine)



Development of DAC demand: e-CO₂

- Finally, 80% of global CO₂ raw material demand needs to be covered by DAC, while the DAC demand in Europe is slightly lower at 76%
- Industrial phase-in of DAC is critical in 2020s, as point sources are available, while DAC requires a first market ramp-up for massive scaling in 2030s and 2040s
- DAC and carbon utilisation (DACCU) is the first huge phase in DAC deployment
- DAC of carbon and storage (DACCS) is expected to be the second huge phase for DAC demand starting in 2040s (not included in diagrams below)



e-fuels trading: e-hydrogen



Detailed results for e-hydrogen trade investigated (international collaboration with TransnetBW)

- Renewable-electricity based hydrogen can be produced at acceptable cost anywhere in the world
- To better assess attractiveness of imports transportation infrastructure needs to be considered
- Imported hydrogen costs were found to be significantly higher than H₂ produced domestically (case FI, DE)
- Local supply of H₂ is more economical across both cases and all years, since transportation costs are high
- Pipeline transport is lower in cost for short distances, whereas shipping is more economical for distances over 1500 km





e-fuels trading: e-ammonia (1/2)

Green e-ammonia the most likely first mainstream e-fuel/e-chemical

- Green e-ammonia can be produced from 370-450 €/t by 2030
- Production costs at best sites could decline to 285-350 €/t by 2050
- Fossil ammonia cost 150-500 €/t in 2010s, strongly dependent on oil price
- Solar PV is a dominating source of energy supply for ammonia production
- Right now green e-ammonia is THE LEAST COST option; fossil methane prices (80 €/MWh_{NG}) and steam coal prices (>200 US\$/t_{coal}) lead to higher cost







e-fuels trading: e-ammonia (2/2)



Supply of Ammonia:'FR'



Total local consumption of Ammonia : 47.3 TWh Total consumption from local production: 14.0 TWh Total consumption from imports: 33.3 TWh

- Ammonia as a first case: see cost in Finland vs Chile vs Somalia
- Country classes introduced
- Based on: Doing business index (World Bank), Corruption perception index (Transparency International), Rule of Law index
- Classes impact: class 1 (15% max import), 2 (10%), 3 (7%), 4 (4%), 5 (2%)
- Next steps: refinements, expansion to methanol, FT, SNG/LNG

e-fuels trading: e-methanol



Detailed results for all major e-fuels/chemicals investigated

- All major e-fuels/chemicals investigated: e-ammonia, e-methanol, Fischer-Tropsch fuels, e-methane/LNG
- e-methanol is projected to be cost competitive towards 2030
- e-ammonia is the least cost way of ammonia production as of now with the very high fossil fuel prices
- Fischer-Tropsch fuels are projected to be cost competitive from 2030 onwards in best sites in the world
- e-methane/LNG may be much less relevant due to high probability of methane substitution by other options



e-fuels trading: e-FTL



NIG

SER

SOMD

TZRB

CAR

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PE

BR-N

AR-W

Detailed e-fuels trading methodology developed and applied for all major e-fuels/chemicals

- Trading of methanol and FTL is more beneficial due to lower shipping costs and higher share of electricity in final cost, while ammonia can be mostly produced locally
- Chile, Peru, Oman, West Australia are the main exporters in all cases, though the results are significantly influenced by export class limitations limiting exports from some other countries with low-cost e-fuels production
- Hydrogen is mostly locally produced and if imported, imported via pipelines from neighbouring regions
- In 2050 local production of e-fuels and e-chemicals in Finland may be not cost feasible, except hydrogen which is
 produced locally due to high hydrogen transportation cost
- Lower WACC and lower RE capex lead to higher competitiveness of local production of e-fuels and e-chemicals
- Results for e-fuels trading presented in yesterday's Researchers Seminar



Production of FTL: CL



Power-to-X Economy as new characteristic A?



- Zero CO₂ emission low-cost energy system is based on electricity
- Core characteristic of energy in future: Power-to-X Economy
 - Primary energy supply from renewable electricity: mainly solar PV and wind power
 - Direct electrification wherever possible: electric vehicles, heat pumps, desalination, etc.
 - Indirect electrification for e-fuels (marine, aviation), e-chemicals, e-steel;
 - power-to-hydrogen-to-X as important element, but not characteristic

Source: Power-to-X economy: Breyer, Bogdanov, Ram, Khalili, Lopez, et al., Progress in Photovoltaics, under review Diagram: <u>Greens/EFA, 2022</u>

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Power-to-Food: e-protein



Power-to-Food

- detailed model has been prepared for e-protein production of electricity, water and air to food
- excellent solar and wind resources lead to low e-protein costs
- pressure on food supply and ecosystems can be massively reduced with e-protein



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Thank you for your attention and to the team!





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WP4: Management and dissemination

Antti Kosonen



Final report

Results (1/2)

Management

- Internal monthly meetings arranged to discuss about the latest results
 - One slide from each WP/task with the traffic lights
 - Totally 23 meetings arranged
- Interim reports delivered to BuFi
 - Totally 7 interim reports + final report
- Seven research seminars arranged
 - Totally 9+9+7+5+2+9+9 = **50** presentations
 - Presentation material shared (slides and recordings) in Teams and webpage
- Seven steering group meetings + kickoff meeting
 - Presentations + meeting notes



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Results (2/2)

Dissemination

- Webpages (<u>https://p2xenable.fi</u>) have been available
 - Seminar material
 - Publications (27 journal + 4 conf. articles)
- Conferences arranged together with City of Lappeenranta
 - Conference on Green Electrification 13–15 Sep. 2021 in Lappeenranta
 - Conference on Future Energy Solutions 8–9 Nov. 2022 in Lappeenranta

Project overview

- Funding reserved to the research visits were mainly moved to the salaries
- Project ending postponed to the end of this year



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