

Achievements and Expertise of French public labs

The diagram features a central globe showing the Americas. It is connected by a network of white lines to several smaller circular images: a satellite view of Earth, a close-up of a metallic surface, a large industrial facility, a green landscape with a white structure, a close-up of a porous material, and a close-up of a blue material. The background is a light blue sky with white clouds.

Research & Developpement on CO₂ Utilisation



ABOUT



The **ADEME** (French Environment and Energy Management Agency) founded Club CO₂ in 2002 with the support of the IFP Energies Nouvelles (**IFPEN** - formerly French Petroleum Institute) and BRGM (Bureau of Geological and Mineral Research). Since March 19th, 2016, Club CO₂ became a non-profit association registered under French law with the BRGM as Chairman and EDF and IFPEN as administrators. The Club brings together the actors of the industrial world and of research.

Key element in the organization of French research in the field of carbon capture and storage, it serves as a response to the need of a more effective management for national efforts, while creating better public visibility. The members of the Club are all key players in the industry, research and development.

As a clearinghouse for information, dialogue and good practices among its members on CCUS research and technological developments, the Club encourages cooperation at a national level between public and private sectors, and several research projects have since then been initiated under its tutelage.

The main objectives of Club CO₂ are:

- Identification of guidance lines and challenges for scientific and technical programs
- Promotion of contacts and information exchanges
- Encouragement of collaborative projects between public and private researchers

With dedicated working groups, Club CO₂ has achieved several actions to promote CCUS. Club CO₂, through its "WG CO₂ Utilisation", is pursuing its involvement in the promotion of CO₂ utilisation (CCU) as a means of reducing the carbon footprint of the economy.

One objective is knowledge sharing on technologies and products concerning the CO₂ utilisation through elaborating an inventory with a regular update. Also several events on CO₂ utilisation were organized to tackle the technico-economic and environmental issues.

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The main goal of this brochure is to show the wide variety of skills and expertises that are used for the development of new and innovative CO₂ utilisation technologies.

It is not the exhaustive picture on the french research laboratories working on CO₂ utilisation.

Most of these laboratories presented in this brochure contributed to Mission Innovation- Challenge 3-CCUS. The French Researchers and Club CO₂ elaborated the french priorities research directions (PRDs). These PRDs were used by the French participants as an input for the workshop “Mission Innovation-CCUS Experts”^{*} held September 26–28, 2017 in Houston, Texas.

The next step will be an update of this directory with more french research laboratories.

Club CO₂ thanks all researchers who participate to the elaboration of this brochure.

^{*}The Mission Innovation CCUS Experts' Workshop discussed basic research and development (R&D) needs in CO₂ capture, CO₂ utilization, geologic storage, and cross-cutting CCUS topics. Experts established a set of Priority Research Directions (PRDs), which have the potential to make a significant impact on CCUS technology performance. The report includes 30 PRDs to guide future CCUS R&D.



FRENCH RESEARCH LABORATORIES

French Public labs :
Competencies. Expertise.
Key achievements.



BRGM

Bureau de Recherches
Géologiques et Minières

General description of the activities

BRGM is France's reference public institution for Earth Science applications in the management of the surface and subsurface.

BRGM is involved in the development of powerful technological breakthroughs in the Post-Combustion CO₂ capture:

1. fundamental research and experimentation: in-depth understanding of phenomena (mechanisms and kinetics)
2. multi-scale modelling
3. development of laboratory-scale devices
4. semi-pilot implementation
5. proof of concept and extrapolation



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FIELD

Chemical and electrochemical engineering

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Effluent pre-treatment, Adsorbent synthesis and characterization, Physical chemistry and interface reactivity, Heat and compression energy recovery, Chemical and electrochemical engineering, Construction of pilot units

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Technological platform
Water/gas exchange column prototype
Potentiostats and "two compartments" electrochemical cells
On line measurement of the physical and the chemical parameters (pH, T, Eh, CO₂ dissolved, CO₂ gas, conductivity, flow rates, solid/liquid ratio)

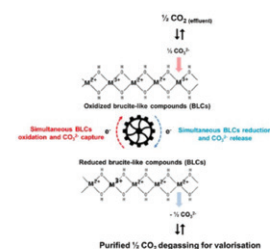
KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

CALICE ADEME 2017-20: Electrolytically supported process of capture and release of CO₂; BRGM, LGC (UMR 5503): Chemical Engineering Laboratory, LLT Leroux & Lotz Technologies

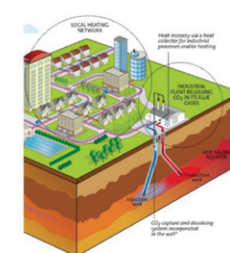
CAPCO₂ ANR 2005-08, Post combustion CO₂ capture: BRGM, IFP ENERGIES NOUVELLES, ARMINES, CNRS Rhone-Auvergne

CO₂-DISSOLVED ANR 2013-16 / **PILOTE CO₂-DISSOLVED** Geodnergies 2016-18. CO₂ capture, injection (dissolved form) and storage system optimized, for local valorization of geothermal energy. Consortium of 10 partners (8 French): see the website: co2-dissolved.brgm.fr

CALICE



PILOTE CO₂-DISSOLVED



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FR 18 50596

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Procédé et dispositif de capture et/ou de libération d'espèces anioniques assisté par électrolyse.

FR 18 50597

SERON A. ET AL. (2009)

Procédé de séparation de CO₂ d'un mélange de gaz par des oxydes mixtes amorphes.

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Procédé de séparation de CO₂ gazeux contenu dans un mélange de gaz.

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Procédé de synthèse en phase aqueuse de composés de type Hydroxydes Doubles Lamellaires.

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Procédé de séparation/purification d'un mélange de gaz.

WO 2007057570 A1

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Main Results of the CO₂-DISSOLVED Project: first step toward a future industrial pilot combining geological storage of dissolved CO₂ and geothermal heat recovery.

Energy Procedia, 114 : 4086

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C2P2

Chimie, Catalyse,
Polymères & Procédés

General description of the activities

C2P2 – CHIMIE, CATALYSE, POLYMERES & PROCEDES is a CNRS research unit (UMR 5265 under triple tutelage CPE Lyon, U. Lyon and CNRS).

The major focus of the research at the C2P2 is on the use of fundamental chemistry, catalysis, and chemical engineering to enhance our ability to produce organic, inorganic and composite materials, and to propose the processes used for this purpose.



KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Chemical valorization of CO₂ through catalysis towards solar fuels, organic carbonates and polymers.

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

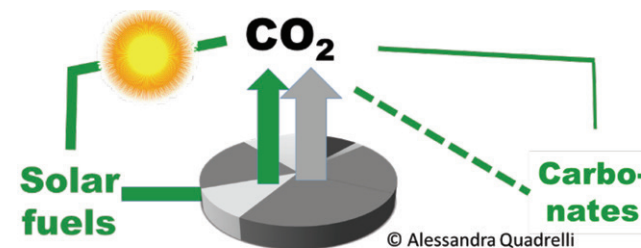
Catalytic Materials Synthesis - High pressure reactor fully equipped with ballast and temperature controller - Polymerization reactors

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

MOF based catalytic systems for CO₂ photo(electro) reduction
Erasmus Mundus H2020 SINCEM
"Sustainable industrial chemistry" (2013-2020)

Azaphosphatranes in confined space for CO₂ valorization
ANR AZAP-CO₂ (2014-2019)

Carbon Dioxide Activation for monomer and polymer syntheses
Associate CO₂ with α-olefins/1,3-dienes to synthesize platform molecules of industrial relevance, such as acrylate- or lactone-based monomers.
ANR-JC CaDiAc (2015-2019).



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CEA-LITEN

Laboratoire d'Innovation pour les Technologies des Energies nouvelles et les Nanomatériaux

General description of the activities

Energy efficiency, renewable energies and advanced materials



FIELD

Development of reactor and processes for CO₂ hydrogenation

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Reactor design for CO₂ hydrogenation to methane and methanol, performance and durability assessment

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Catalytic test bench, reactor manufacturing workshops, CAD & numerical simulation

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

JUPITER-1000, CO₂-SNG, POLYGEN, STORE&GO, METHYCENTRE



Millistructured reactor for CO₂ methanation

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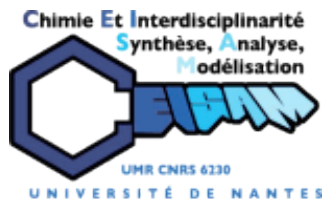


CEISAM

Chimie Et Interdisciplinarité
Synthèse, Analyse,
Modélisation

General description of the activities

The core activity of the researches undertaken in the group of Fabrice ODOBEL au CEISAM laboratory focuses on the development of molecular materials for the conversion of solar energy into electricity (solar cells) and into fuel (artificial photosynthesis).



FIELD

Chemical synthesis, photochemistry, photo-electrochemistry, artificial photosynthesis, solar fuel, hydrogen production, CO₂ photo-reduction, dye chemistry

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

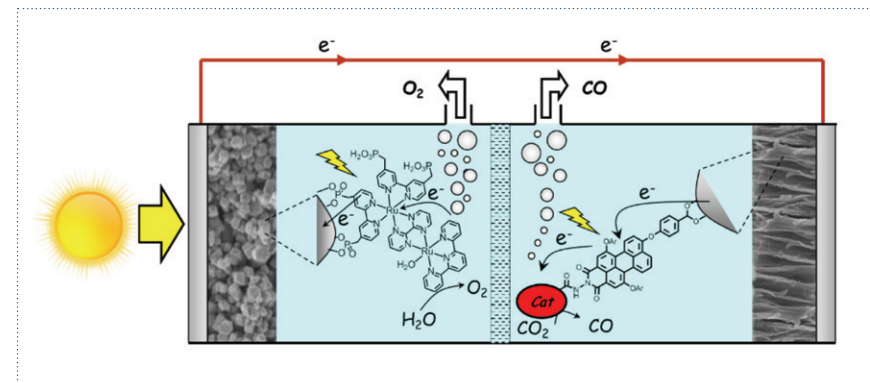
Development of photocatalytic devices for CO₂ reduction
Artificial photosynthesis
Sensitization of p-type semiconductor

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Solar simulator
Photoelectrochemical cell for solar fuel production
Gas chromatography for detection and analyses of gas

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Development of photocatalytic devices for solar fuel production based on sensitized p-type semiconductor



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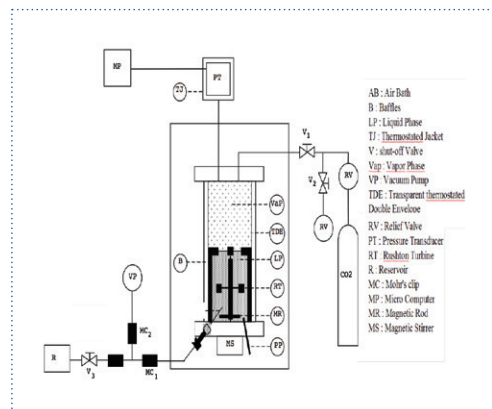


MINES PARIS TECH

Research University, CES –
Centre for Energy Efficiency
of Systems

General description of the activities

Gas-Liquid Transfers and Processes



FIELD

Process and chemical engineering,
CO₂ capture, recycling, carbon-free
electricity

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Modeling, Simulation, Experimental

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

The experimental apparatus has
been designed to measure
absorption rates for a CO₂

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Study of post-combustion CO₂
capture by solutions of ammonia
and organic amines.

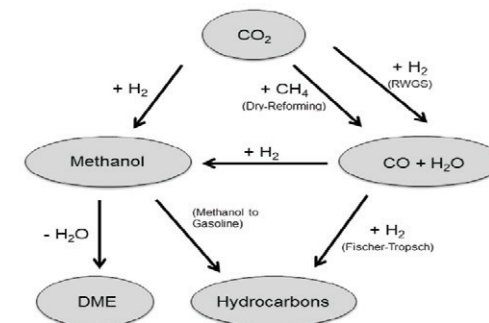
Assessment using direct and indirect
contactors by kinetic, thermodyna-
mic approaches and modeling;

Performance Assessment of
Oxy-Coal Power Plants through an
Exergy-based Process Integration
Methodology Energy;

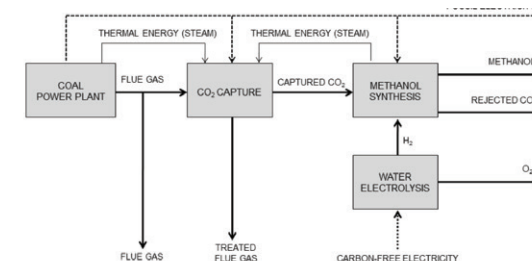
Recycling and valorization
of Carbon Dioxide;

Composite and microporous
membrane contactors for intensified
gas-liquid processes in CO₂
postcombustion capture:
Experiments and Modelling.

CO₂ UTILIZATION DIAGRAM



BLOC DIAGRAM OF THE PROCESS (4)



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Recycling of carbon dioxide to produce ethanol
Energy Procedia 2013; 37: 6679-6686

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Valorization of carbon dioxide by co-electroly-
sis of CO₂/H₂O at high temperature for syngas
production

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from dry reforming of methane

Energy Procedia 2012; 29:156 - 165

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Design and simulation of a methanol production
plant from CO₂ hydrogenation

Journal of Cleaner Production 2013; 57: 38-45

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DCM

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Moléculaire



General description of the activities

Transformation and valorization of CO₂
– Utilization of CO₂ as a carbon source
towards attractive alternative solutions
for synthesizing useful chemicals and
energy rich products (fuels).

Our main research activities: explore
the potential of new molecular catalysts
e.g. metallic complexes for efficient
and selective electro-, photo-, and
photoelectro-catalytic reduction of CO₂.



FIELD

Electrochemistry - Photochemistry
- Coordination chemistry - Modified
electrochemical interfaces - Catalysis

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

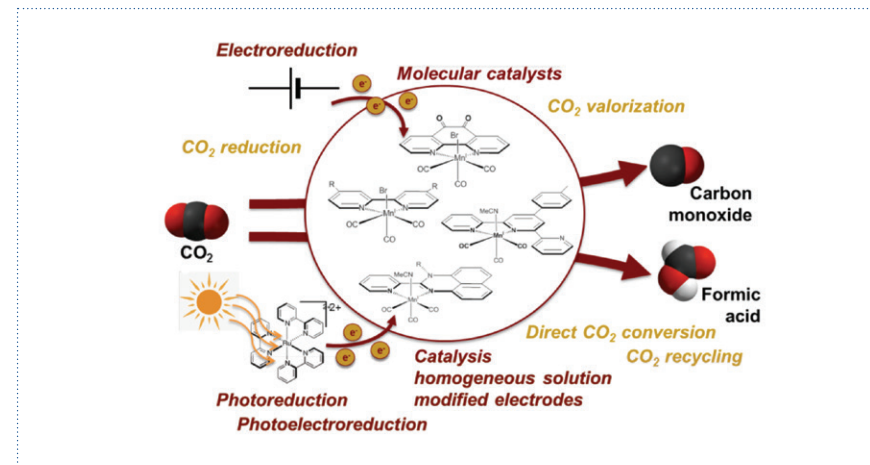
Electro and Photocatalysis
of the reduction of CO₂

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Electrochemistry – GCMS and HPLC
Chromatographs -Photochemistry
and Photophysics. Characterization
platform equipments of the Institut
de Chimie Moléculaire de Grenoble
(ICMG; mass spectroscopy, NMR,
X-Ray diffraction, microscopy ...).
Glove boxes under inert atmosphere,
equipped for physicochemical experi-
ments and synthesis.

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Partner of a FUI consortium - ValCO₂
II – VALorisation chimique et énergé-
tique du CO₂ – Coordination SOLVAY



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**M. STANBURY, J.-D. COMPAIN,
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Electro and photoreduction of CO₂ driven
by manganese-carbonyl molecular catalysts.

Coord. Chem. Rev. 361, 120-137, 2018

**Z. BITAR, A. FECANT, E. TRELA-BAUDOT,
S. CHARDON-NOBLAT, D. PASQUIER.**

Electrocatalytic reduction of carbon dioxide
on indium coated gas diffusion electrodes –
Comparison with indium foil. Appl.Catal.

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**E. TORRALBA-PENALVER, Y. LUO, J.-D. COMPAIN,
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Selective catalytic electroreduction of CO₂
at silicon nanowires (SiNWs) photocathodes
using non-noble metal-based manganese

carbonyl bipyridyl molecular catalysts in
solution and grafted onto SiNW.

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Cathode for reduction of carbon dioxide and
method for manufacturing such a cathode;

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General description of the activities

The GEPEA laboratory is a French Joint Research Unit of the University of Nantes, CNRS, Oniris, IMTA (France). It is working on the design and optimization of processes for microalgae valorization.

This multi-disciplinary research group proposes an integrated approach, including (1) screening of strains and metabolic optimization, (2) culture systems and photobioreactor engineering (from state-of-the-art raceways to newly developed intensified technologies), and (3) metabolites extraction and purification through bio-refining approach. In 2015, the GEPEA Laboratory has developed the AlgoSolis R&D Facility, belonging to the University of Nantes.

This core facility was designed to address issues related to the up-scaling and industrial optimization of microalgal processes. Various breakthrough technologies have been developed (solar photobioreactors, wet-biomass extraction processes, culture medium recycling...). AlgoSolis R&D Facility allows also investigating microalgal culture on industrial effluents (CO₂, waste water, ...).



FIELD

Bioprocess engineering, microalgae, cyanobacteria, Industrial ecology, photobioreactors, bio-refinery, metabolites extraction, CPC, cultivation and biomass production

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Process Engineering, analysis, up-scaling, monitoring, control, separation processes

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Photobioreactors, covered raceway, extraction and membrane filtration units, bead milling, harvesting units, analytics, etc.

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

AlgoStep (ADEME), SymBIO2 (ADEME), CimentAlg (ADEME), PolysAlgae (ANR), Symbio2 (FUI)...



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www.gepea.fr

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I2E

Interface, Electrochimie,
Energie

General description of the activities

Our team is dedicated to high temperature fuel cells & electrolyzers. Our strong research now is on the capture and valorization of carbon dioxide in molten carbonates.



ParisTech



FIELD

High temperature fuel cells and electrolyzers: electrolysis of CO₂ in molten salts

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

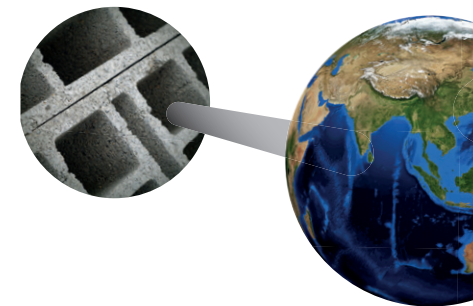
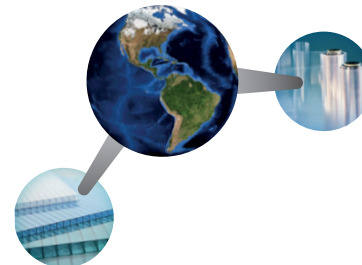
CO₂ electrolysis & solubility in molten carbonates

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Electrochemical platform coupled with gas chromatography, as well as thermal analysis coupled with IR/MS/GC.

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

From the feasibility of the process (CO₂ electrolysis into CO) to test & pre-pilot devices



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ICARE

Institut de Combustion,
Aérothermique, Réactivité
et Environnement



General description of the activities

My research topics concern the turbulent
combustion, control of flames, burners
and pollutant emissions.



FIELD

Combustion

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Oxy-combustion

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Combustion system plants

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

CO₂ EnergiCapt with 4 author
partners



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General description of the activities

Integrated CO₂ CCUS with coupled metal recovery.

We investigate the interactions between lean and rich solutions with additional molecular species in order to modulate the thermodynamics and kinetics of capture and develop convergent/integrated capture and utilization processes.

Currently, our main focus consist in valorizing CO₂ - rich solutions for mineral carbonation and valuable / toxic metals recovery.



FIELD

Molecular and supramolecular chemistry

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Design, analysis and implementation of complex molecular systems for CO₂ capture and utilization (as pre-ligand for metal separation or as catalyst)

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Batch (ball-mill; microwave) & continuous flow reactors ; spectroscopic, chromatographic and calorimetric platforms

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

MA2RSCO2SCARE
ANR-12-JS07-0011-01
2012 -2016

Multi-component self-Assembled ARchitectures based on CO₂ for Selective CAPture of Rare Earth metals

ProCO2Met
SATT SE & AURA 1502
2016 - 2018

Continuous Flow Process utilizing CO₂ for Metal separation



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Continuous process for the detecting, capturing and releasing chemical elements

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ICCF / TIM

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General description of the activities

Experimental thermodynamic measurements and thermodynamic modeling of the absorption of gas (CO_2 , annex gases) in aqueous solutions of amines (capture) and of salts (storage in deep saline aquifers).

FIELD

Thermodynamics, physical chemistry, gas dissolution

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Determination of heat of absorption/desorption of gas in aqueous solutions versus temperature and pressure and solubility of gases in aqueous solutions; heat capacities and volumes for the calculations of the processes. Phase equilibrium cells for liquid-vapor and liquid-liquid transitions.

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Mixing calorimeters, phase equilibrium cells, densimeters, viscosimeters

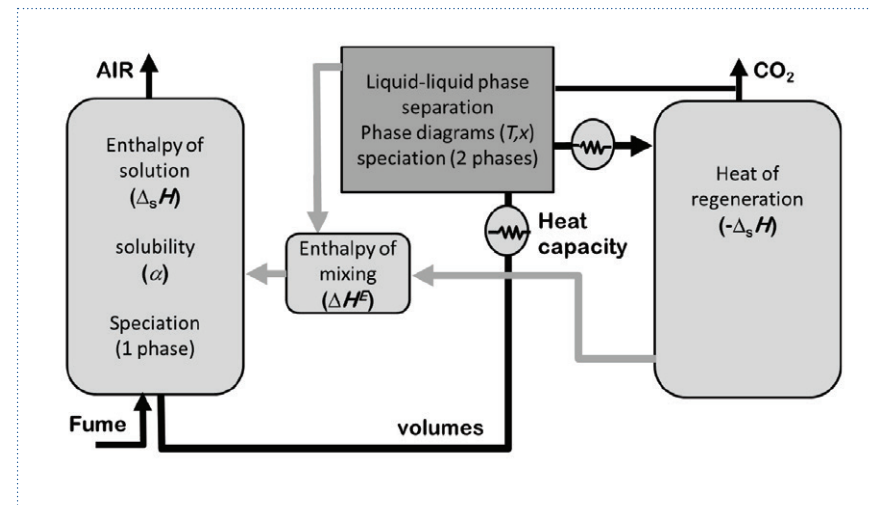
KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

ACACIA (FUI – Axelera): Développement de technologies et de procédés de captage du CO_2 en post-combustion directement sur fumées de sources fixes. (partner)

VALORCO (PIA – Ademe): Valorisation et Réduction des émissions de CO_2 en Industrie (partner)

DACOOTA (ANR/NSERC n°12-IS09-0001): Demixing Amines for CO_2 capture: Thermodynamic and Spectroscopic Approach (leader)

SIMODEX (ANR/NSERC n°15-CE06-0010): Understanding CO_2 capture processes: a combination of reactive molecular simulation, thermodynamic modelling and experiments (leader)



Thermodynamic representation of the CO_2 capture process using demixing amines

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General description of the activities

Development and characterization of materials for the selective electrochemical and photo-electrochemical reduction of carbon dioxide.

Implementation in polymer electrolyte electrochemical cells.



FIELD

Material science, Physical chemistry, Electrochemistry, Electrochemical synthesis, electrochemical engineering.

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

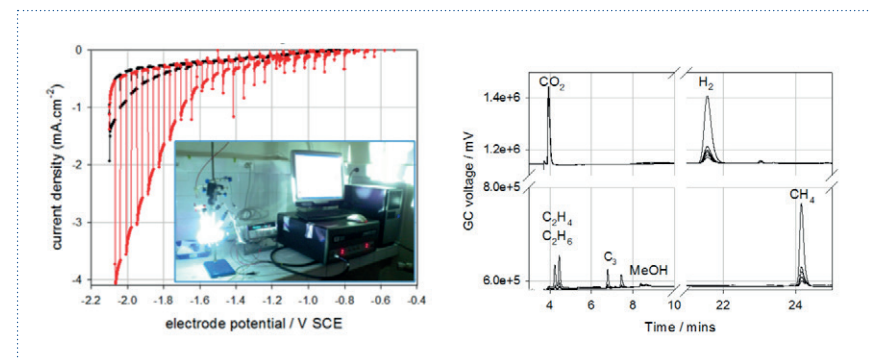
Elaboration and multiphysics characterization of nano-structured electrochemical and photo-electrochemical interfaces for the selective reduction of carbon dioxide in water media at near-ambient temperature conditions.

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

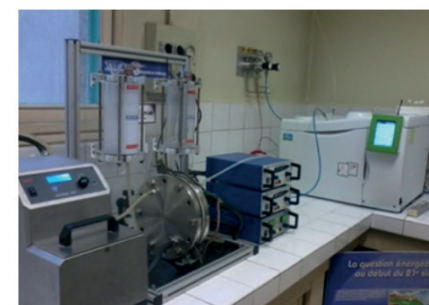
General electrochemical equipment (potentiostat, RDE, RRDE, etc.).
 General photo-electrochemical equipment (quartz cells).
 Analysis of CO₂ reduction products (Gas chromatography, NMR).
 AFM-SECM for local scale in-situ electrochemical characterization.

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

ANR Chalcocat.
 Financial support from the industry sector.
 Several international collaborations.



Typical CO₂ reduction experiment using a CuGa3Se5 thin film photo-electrode: setup and GC analysis showing reduction products.



Catalytic ink printer and experimental setup used for the testing of polymer electrolyte membrane (PEM) CO₂ electro-reduction cells.

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ICPEES

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General description of the activities

The Institute is composed by more than a hundred of scientists concerned by the development of advanced research related to energy, environment and health.

The complementarities of the various research teams contribute to solve global issues ranging from molecules design, properties, and applications for applications in the fields of Energy, Environment or Health.

At the forefront of new technologies and the development of innovative materials, the Institute is organized in three research departments:

- Catalysis and Materials
- Molecular Chemistry and Analytics
- Polymer Engineering



FIELD

Heterogeneous catalysis, kinetic studies

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Development of catalytic materials for the hydrogenation of CO₂ into fuels.

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Catalytic set-ups from Patm to 80 bar, from Tatm to 800 °C, equipped with online GC

Surface characterization by H₂-TPD, CO₂-TPD, NH₃-TPD, N₂O chemisorption

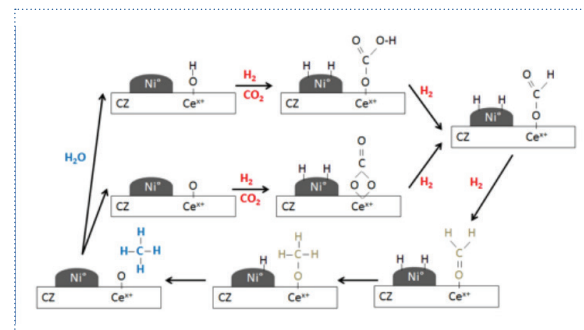
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ANR Vitesse2 (2010-2014): «Industrial and energetic valorization of CO₂ by efficient use of decarbonized electricity. Stabilization of the electric grid and electricity storage»

ANR Digas (2015-2019): «Direct synthesis of Dimethyl ether from syngas»

ANR CHOCHCO (2014-2018): «Optimized flexible chain of CO₂/H₂O coelectrolysis and hydrogenation into synthetic methane»

ADEME-CEA (2016-2019): «PhD thesis : Understanding and modeling of deactivation mechanisms of a CO₂ methanation catalyst in a fixed bed milli-structured exchanger-reactor»



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Ni / ceria-based catalyst

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«Open cell foam catalysts for CO₂ methanation: Presentation of coating procedures and in situ exothermicity reaction study by infrared thermography»

Catal. Today 273, 83-90 (2016)

M. FREY, A.C. ROGER, D. EDOUARD, G. GEFFRAYE, A. BENGHAOUER

«Aluminium open cell foams as efficient support for CO₂ methanation catalyst: pilot scale reaction results»

Energy Technology 5(11), 2078-2085 (2017)

J.F. PORTHA, K. PARKHOMENKO, K. KOBL, A.C. ROGER, S. ARAB, J.M. COMMENGE, L. FALK, IND.

Kinetics of Methanol Synthesis from Carbon Dioxide Hydrogenation over Copper-Zinc Oxide Catalysts.»

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ICSM

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General description of the activities

The “Institut de Chimie Séparative de Marcoule” (ICSM) is a joint research unit (CEA, CNRS, UM, ENSCM). The scientific mission of ICSM originates from the unavoidable rarefaction of fossil fuels, as well as their global impact on climate and is focused on decarbonized energies.

The ICSM is mainly involved in recycling and material science to address improved safety requirements and ecological issues in the use of low carbon energies (nuclear and renewable).

The ICSM has 5 scientific and technical pillars:

Understanding separation processes: Characterization at the molecular and supramolecular level all in correlation with thermodynamics.

Optimizing separation processes: The aim is here to synthesize, formulate and implement a knowledge-based recycling technology.

Green chemistry: Implement the twelve principles of green chemistry as well as those of “green extraction engineering”.

Anticipating life-cycle: Studies of surface degradation and material production.

Methods in modeling and observations at meso-scale: Modelling and analytical developments for separation and materials properties.

FIELD

Main Fields and skills

Synthesis and characterization and reactivity of **molecular species** (organic, coordination compounds) and **materials** (ceramics, hybrid, porous)

Physical-Chemistry for **supramolecular** speciation in **complex organic media**, at the **liquid-liquid interface** and in **porous solids**.

Mesoscale Modelling

Ultrasound approaches for hydrometallurgy and materials

Analytical and methodological development essentially for Material Characterization

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Separation and Purification of valuable main or secondary products obtained by a CO₂ conversion process, essentially into carbonates.

Synthesis of materials (Metal-Organic Frameworks on ITO-FTO surface) and molecular compounds (Ru-Co compounds) for photo induced charge separation which could be used for CO₂ reduction, usually in the frame of collaboration (College de France)

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

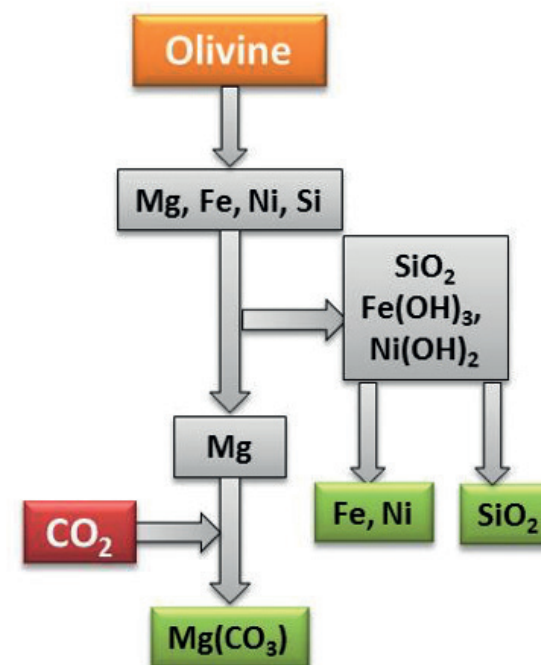
Material characterization:

- Environmental Electronic Microscopy,
- X-ray small angle diffusion and wide angle diffraction

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

VALORCO

Small projects (CNRS, Université de Montpellier) for molecules and materials for photophysical assisted charge separation.



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General description of the activities

IFP Energies nouvelles (IFPEN) is a major research and training player in the fields of energy, transport and the environment. From research to industry, technological innovation is central to all its activities, structured around three strategic priorities: sustainable mobility, new energies and responsible oil and gas.

As part of the public-interest mission with which it has been tasked by the public authorities, IFPEN focuses on:

- providing solutions to take up the challenges facing society in terms of energy and the climate, promoting the transition towards sustainable mobility and the emergence of a more diversified energy mix;
- creating wealth and jobs by supporting French and European economic activity, and the competitiveness of related industrial sectors.

An integral part of IFPEN, its graduate engineering school – IFP School – prepares future generations to take up these challenges.



FIELD

Chemical synthesis, process and chemical engineering, geology,...

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Carbone capture using amines, Electro reduction, Photocatalysis, Chemical process...

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Pilot units for CO₂ capture (amines) and for CO₂ electro reduction

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

VALCO₂ – French Research program coordinated by SOLVAY



IFPEN – Pilot unit for CO₂ electroreduction

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IFSTTAR

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General description of the activities

Industrial ecology, circular economy,
eco-design, symbiose industrielle



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FIELD

Process engineering, civil engineering

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

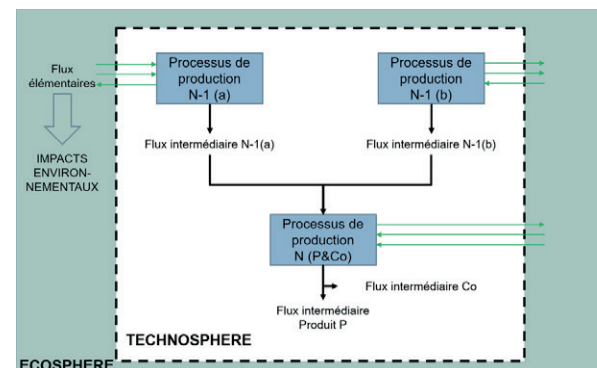
Life Cycle Assessment

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Software and databases for Life
Cycle Assessment

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Algoraff (BIP ADEME), Cimentalgues
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Systemic modeling of technological actions

Identification of action
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system using statistics

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IRCELYON

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General description of the activities

IRCELYON brings together competences in catalysis (heterogeneous, homogeneous, enzymatic and photocatalytic systems) to remediate environmental problems such as air or water pollution, but also to valorize biomass (vegetal oils, lignin, starch, cellulose, algae, CO₂...)



FIELD

Chemical catalysts design,
synthesis and evaluation

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

CO₂ capture by MOF or enzymatic
systems

Use of Sc-CO₂ as green solvent to
extract fatty alcohols from sugar
cane mud

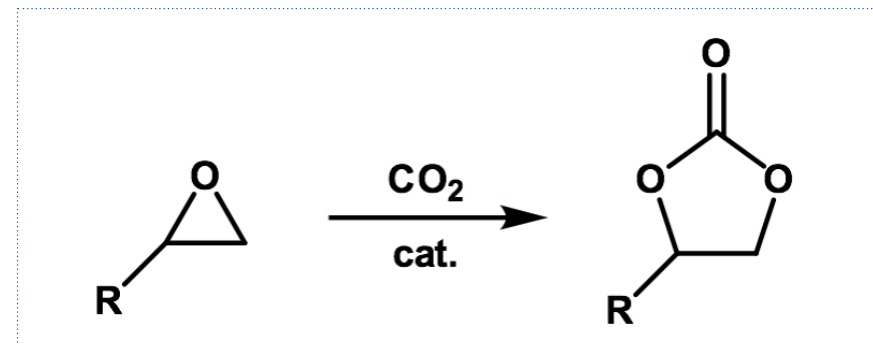
Catalytic CO₂ coupling to epoxydes

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Stainless steel reactors including
CO₂ supercritical tests

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Catalytic CO₂ valorization to cyclic
carbonates



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IRCP

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General description of the activities

CO₂ capture and valorization in molten carbonates: physico-chemical properties, high temperature electrolysis, molten carbonate fuel cell.



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FIELD

Physico-chemistry, process
and chemical engineering

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

High Temperature Electrochemistry
in Molten Carbonates

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

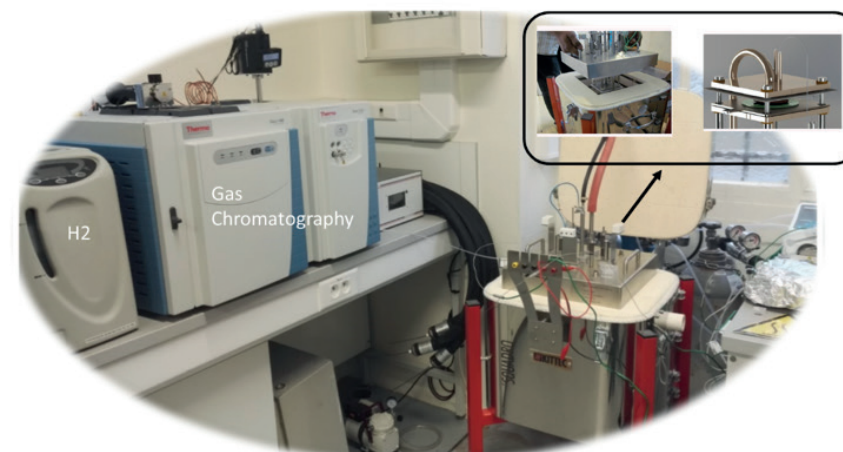
Molten carbonate (MC) Electrolysis/
Fuel Cell Set-up, coupled to GC.
Solubility of gases in MC, DSC-TGA
coupled to FTIR and GC-MS

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

EquipeX 2011: PLANEX (Planète expérimentation: simulation et analyse in situ en conditions extrêmes)

ANR 2018: MCEC (CoMprehension & Optimization of high temperature CO₂ Electrolysis in Carbonates)

Platform for High Temperature Fuel/ Electrolysis Cell in Molten Carbonates



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ISM

 Institut des Sciences
Moléculaires


General description of the activities

The Institute of Molecular Sciences brings together a community of organic chemists and physical chemists interested in molecular structures, and working on their creation, synthesis, characterization, reactivity and analysis in various environments.



FIELD

Spectroscopy, Molecular modeling, Thermodynamics, Chemical synthesis

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Cyclic carbonate synthesis, CO₂ catalysis, CO₂ sourced polyurethanes, CO₂ sourced polycarbonates, CO₂ capture and separation

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

In situ high pressure spectroscopy (Infrared, Raman, Uv-Vis, Neutron)

High pressure batch reactor 1-30 ml and glass capillaries (P=1-50 MPa / 90K-600K)

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

International French-Belgian project on CO₂ sourced polymers

ANR MI2C project on gas selectivity in gas hydrates



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LCMCE

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General description of the activities

Our team of molecular chemists works on the conversion of CO₂, CO, waste plastics and biomass by-products to high value-added chemicals in a sustainable manner, and the facilitation of energy storage with the development of alternative liquid fuels. Following a knowledge-driven approach, we synthesize novel molecular catalysts (organic, organometallic or inorganic) and investigate their modes of action through mechanistic studies.

To expand the scope of fine chemicals available from CO₂, our idea is to design novel catalytic transformations where CO₂ is reacted, in a single step, with a functionalizing reagent and a reductant that can be independently modified, to produce a large spectrum of molecules. This method has been successfully applied to synthesize methylamines, formamidines, amins, esters...



FIELD

Chemical synthesis and catalysis, computational calculations and mechanisms.

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

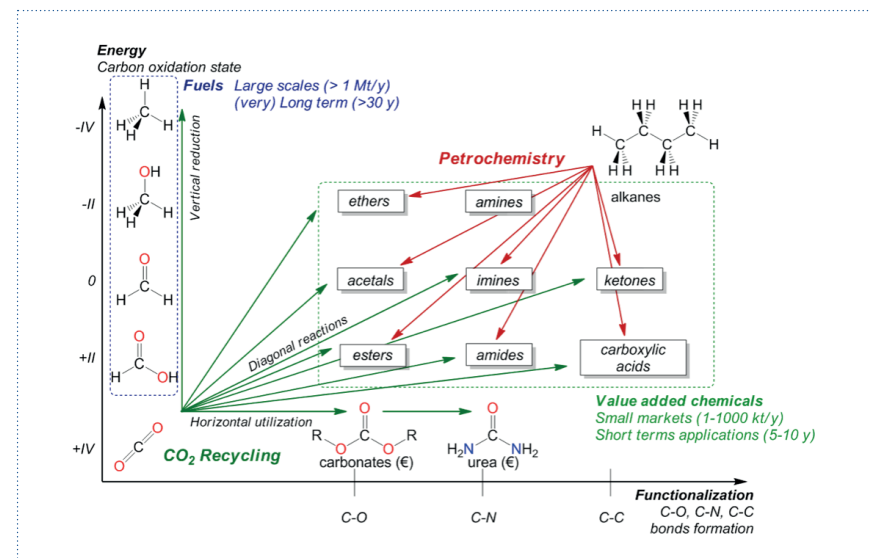
Catalysis for CO₂ conversion, reaction design, catalyst design, mechanistic studies

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Gloveboxes and Schlenk lines for fine chemical synthesis, high-pressure reactors, NMR spectrometer, GC and GCMS instruments, single-crystal X-Ray diffractometer

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

ERC Starting Grant CO₂Recycling
H2020 SPIRE8 project Carbon4PUR
Climate KIC project CO₂nvergence
Grand Prix Scientifique de la Fondation Louis D. - Institut de France



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lcmt

General description of the activities

The research activity of the LCMT is focused on both fundamental and applied aspects of molecular chemistry.

The scientific aim at LCMT laboratory is to develop new and innovative methods in organic synthesis and catalysis for an application in green chemistry, material sciences and bioorganic chemistry:

development of cheap, environmentally friendly, and sustainable technologies for the production of molecules and macromolecules (atom and energy saving syntheses, catalyses, new activation technologies (MWI), new media for clean processes)...

This scientific aims are underlined through 3 main objectives:

1. Development of new synthetic methods in the field of heterochemistry and metal mediated chemistry;
2. Identification of reaction intermediates and elucidation of reaction mechanisms in order to perform high yielding and highly selective reactions
3. Development of new organic and hybrid materials with specific properties. The molecular and macromolecular engineering is thus the core business of the laboratory. In the field of catalysis, we have recently made important contributions to the chemical activation of small molecules such as H_2 , CO_2 by iron-based complexes, in an effort to address contemporary energy challenges (storing energy into chemical bonds and producing fuels).



FIELD

Catalysis, organometallic chemistry.

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

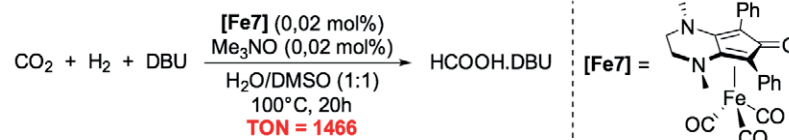
Molecular catalysis
Hydrogenation
Mechanisms

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Autoclaves, GC, GC/MS, NMR, HPLC

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Photochemical conversion of CO_2 into formate



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General description of the activities

The research activity of the LEM is focused on both fundamental and applied aspects of molecular and biomolecular electrochemistry. The aim is to contribute to the general understanding of all aspects of electron transfer chemistry coupled to both molecular changes and/or dynamical electron transport within molecules and, on the basis of the fundamental advances, to develop new applications.

In the field of catalysis, we have recently made important contributions to the electrochemical activation of small molecules such as H_2 , O_2 , H_2O , CO_2 by metal complexes or catalytic films, in an effort to address contemporary energy challenges (storing energy into chemical bonds and producing fuels).



FIELD

Electrochemistry
and Photochemistry

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

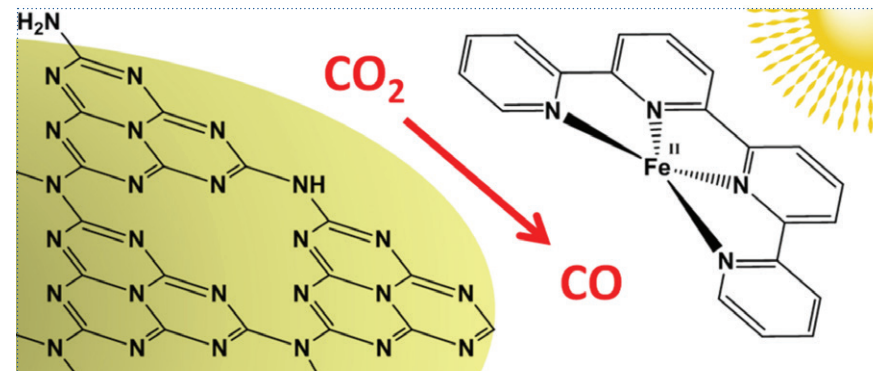
Molecular Electrocatalysis
Photocatalysis
Mechanisms and Fundamental
Reactivity
Electrochemical reactors

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Potentiostats, electrolyzers, Solar
simulators, GC, GC/MS, IC, HPLC

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

CO_2 -to-CO electrolyzer
(Air Liquide partnership)
 CO_2 -to- CH_4 photoreactor
(GRDF-GRTGaz partnership)
Electrochemical conversion of CO_2
into fuels (ANR and MOPGA project)
Photochemical conversion of CO_2
into fuels



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by photochemical means »
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reduction of CO_2 into CO, in particular in water »
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LGC

Laboratoire
de Génie
Chimique



General description of the activities

Based in Toulouse, France, the Laboratoire de Génie Chimique (LGC) is a joint research institute directed by the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) and two universities, the Institut National Polytechnique de Toulouse (INP Toulouse) and the Université Paul Sabatier (UPS).

Its core activities are dedicated to advanced research in chemical and process engineering.

With over 160 permanent scientists and engineers, and as many PhD students and post-doctoral fellows, LGC pursues industry-driven research across all scales necessary for development of state-of-the-art and innovative industrial processes, from the smallest molecular or particulate scale right through to large scale industrial systems.

With six research departments, LGC has the ability to address the widest spectrum of activities in the field of chemical and process engineering.

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FIELD

Chemical and process engineering

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

CO₂ valorisation by mineral carbonation – process development and thermo-kinetic modelling

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Batch autoclaves and continuous bench-scale stirred media mill for attrition-leaching process

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

2018-2021 CARBOSCORIES 2: production of construction materials by mineral carbonation of Ni mining waste

Key outcomes: Development of a bench-scale continuous attrition-leaching pilot process; valorisation of mineralisation products in the construction sector.

Project partners: LGC, LMDC, CNRT, BRGM

Funding: ACE Caledonian Energy Agency No. CS17-3160-00.

2015-2016 CARBOSCORIES : mineral carbonation of Ni mining waste

Key outcomes: validation of the attrition-leaching mineralisation process for valorisation of Ni pyrometallurgical waste.

Project partners: LGC, BRGM, IPGP

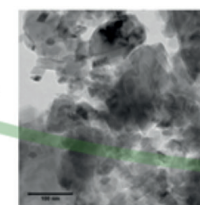
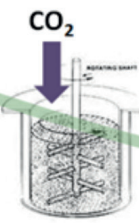
Funding: National Centre for Technology Research - CNRT "Nickel and its environment").

2009-2012 CARMEX : Ex-situ mineral carbonation of ultramafic ores and mining waste

Key outcomes: proof of concept of the attrition-leaching process for mineralization of silicate ores and mining waste.

Project partners: LGC, BRGM, BioIS, IPGP, Total E&P

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LRGP

Laboratory of reactions
and Chemical Engineering



General description of the activities

The Laboratory of Reactions and Chemical Engineering (300 people) develops the scientific and technological knowledge necessary for the synthesis and recycling of materials and functional products, through chemical, physico-chemical and biological processes and the design, the optimization and the control of the elaboration processes and the related transformation of mass and energy.

FIELD

Chemical Engineering: Environment, water and soils remediation _ Safety of transformation processes _ Energy _ Process intensification _ Process systems engineering _ Separation processes _ Bioprocesses _ Combustion and Pyrolysis _ Biomass conversion _ Thermodynamics _ Materials _ Product engineering.

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

CO₂ capture pilots (solvents, polymers, adsorbents, membranes) / Kinetics catalytic reactors / Fermentation reactors / Carbonatation reactors

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Material and liquid selection for selective carbon capture (solvents, polymers, adsorbents, membranes)

Modelling and simulation of carbon capture processes (membrane contactors, membrane separation, Temperature and/or Pressure Swing Adsorption processes)

Design and testing of bench-scale units for proof of concepts studies and model validation

Evaluation of energy requirement and size for carbon capture (Process Systems Engineering simulation with tailor-made toolboxes)

Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) of carbon capture processes.

Kinetics study, Reactors design, and whole process conception (optimal reactors and separators association) for CO₂ valorization (methanation, methanol production ...)

Carbonatation of CO₂ (kinetics study and reactors design)

CO₂ fermentation (H₂ enriched fermentation for methane production)

Influence of copollutants on adsorbent performance for CO₂ capture

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

- Simulation of CO₂ capture under precombustion conditions IGCC (ADEME EDF PhD grant)
- CICADI Membrane contactor for post combustion CO₂ capture by chemical gas liquid absorption (ANR)
- CESAR (CO₂ Enhanced Separation and Recovery, FP7 project)
- AMELIE Membrane contactor for chilled ammonia process (ANR)
- Post combustion capture: solvents and processes (EDF PhD grant)
- ENERGYCAPT Membrane contactor for post

combustion CO₂ capture by chemical gas liquid absorption (ANR)

- HIPERCAP Chemically reactive membranes for post combustion carbon capture (FP7)
- M4CO₂ (Metal Organic Framework membranes for CO₂ capture (FP7)
- Photobioreactors for algae production (Kerosalg)
- Carbon capture from steel production plant (blast furnace) for methanol synthesis (VALORCO PIA project, ADEME)
- CO₂ use from flue gases for chemical production (ANR C2B, ANR Vitesse2)

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General description of the activities

Design and optimization of efficient, safe
and environmentally friendly processes:

Valorization and transformation of
biomass for chemicals and energy,
Capture and utilization of CO₂, Microwave
Processes, Process safety and reaction
calorimetry.



FIELD

Chemical engineering, process intensification,
process safety

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Absorption, desorption, gas-liquid equilibrium,
kinetics of transport, valorization, catalytic
processes,

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Instrumented reactor benches: carbon-
ation, hydrogenation, micro-waves,
gasification, high pressure...

Absorption - desorption units :
packed bed, spray column, Lewis cell

Reaction calorimeters: Process
Safety Workstation RC1, RC1e (high
pressure), Adiabatic Accelerating Rate
Calorimeter ARC, ARSST reactor.

Thermal analyzers: TGA, DSC, Calvet
micro-calorimeter, calorimetric
bomb...

Gas and liquid chromatographs, phy-
sical properties measurement tools
(viscosity, refractive index...)

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

Interreg project on CO₂ utilization
using hydrogen media

ADEME project : CO₂ valorization
using alcohol

Regional project : methane and
methanol synthesis via CO₂ hydroge-
nation

CCU using epoxides (industrial projet)

CCU using vegetable oils

Intensification of carbon capture
using reactive spray

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MARBEC

Marine Biodiversity,
Conservation & Exploitation



General description of the activities

The research objectives
of the MARBEC are:

- To describe marine biodiversity, understand its dynamics and the functioning of marine ecosystems
- To analyze the impact of anthropogenic pressure on these ecosystems and develop responses scenarios to global change
- To reconcile exploitation (especially fisheries and aquaculture), and conservation and respond to societal expectations (expertise, innovation, remediation).



FIELD

Marine Biodiversity, Bioremediation,
Aquaculture

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

Applied phycology
CO₂ fixation by microalgae
Processes in biomass production/
concentration in raceways
Microbiology
Biochemistry

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Culture collection, automatized
Photobioreactors, Raceways,
DIC titrator, CHN analyzer, Imaging
PAM, Cytometry, Microscopy, spec-
trophotometer, spectrofluorimeter

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

CO₂ bioremediation using Microalgae
(VASCO2)
Use of wastewaters for Microalgae
production (ANR PHYCOVER, IMTA
Effect)



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PROMES-CNRS

Laboratoire Procédés,
Matériaux et Energie Solaire

General description of the activities

The research at PROMES-CNRS aims to develop innovative solar processes for CO₂ recycling into synthetic solar fuels from solar thermal energy. Novel materials are developed for CO₂ splitting into separate streams of CO and O₂ via two-step thermochemical redox cycles using concentrated solar energy as the source of high-temperature process heat.

The solar thermochemical approach to split CO₂ inherently operates at high temperatures and utilizes the entire solar spectrum, and as such provides an attractive path to solar fuels production with high energy conversion efficiencies in the absence of precious metal catalysts.

The study is focused on the synthesis and shaping of active materials including multivalent oxides and non-stoichiometric oxides, the characterization of their reactivity for CO₂ splitting (chemical yields and kinetics), and the design, testing and modeling of suitable solar reactor concepts.



FIELD

CO₂ valorization, solar fuels, materials synthesis, thermochemical reactions, solar energy conversion and storage, process and chemical engineering

KEY COMPETENCES IN CCU

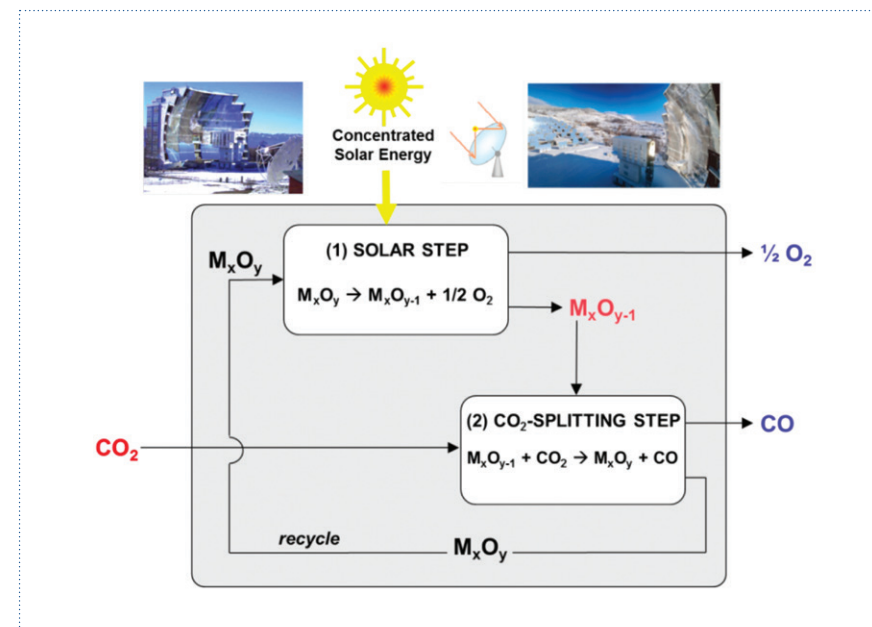
Materials science and chemistry, novel active materials for CO₂ conversion, non-stoichiometric oxides (ceria and perovskite), two-step redox cycles, solar reactors and thermochemical processes

KEY EQUIPMENTS IN CCU

Solar chemical reactor prototypes, solar concentrating systems from 1 kWth to 1 MWth, characterization techniques of materials reactivity at high temperature

KEY PROJECTS IN CCU

ANR-SUNFUEL project (2016-2020), Solar thermochemical conversion of CO₂ and water into fuel using non-stoichiometric oxygen-exchange redox materials



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