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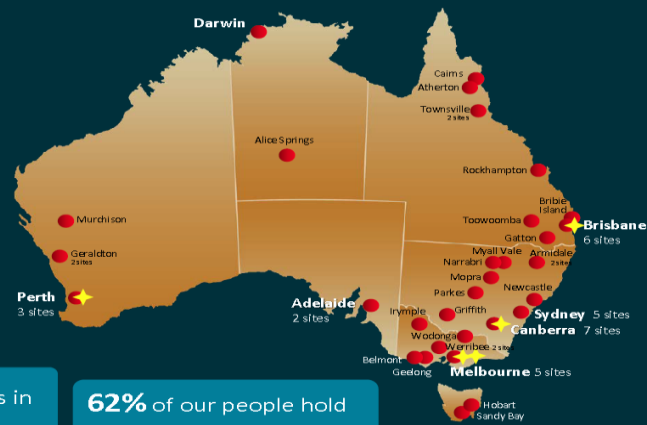
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People ~5500

Locations 58

Business units 8

Budget \$1B+



Top 1% of global institutions in 14 of 22 research fields

Industry focus: 1600 Australian companies, 350+ Multi-nationals

62% of our people hold university degrees
2000 doctorates
500 masters

\$500M+ annual revenue generated from external sources



Current portfolio, CSIRO's lines of business

Impact Science – R&D Business Units



HEALTH & BIOSECURITY



ENERGY



DATA61



MANUFACTURING



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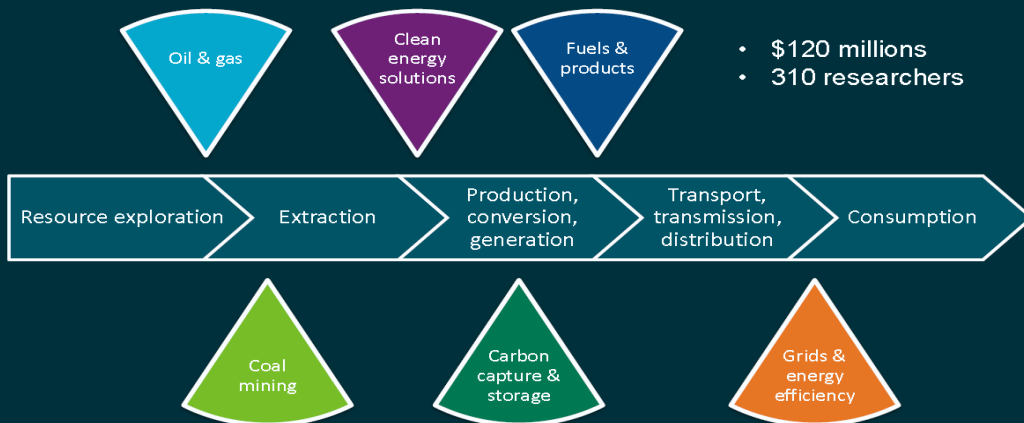
Our track record: top inventions

 Fast WLAN Wireless Local Area Network	 POLYMER BANKNOTES	 RELENZA FLU VACCINE	 EXTENDED WEAR CONTACTS
 AEROGARD	 TOTAL WELLBEING DIET	 RAFT POLYMERISATION	
 HENDRA VACCINE	 BARLEYMAX	 SELF TWISTING YARN	 SOFTLY WASHING LIQUID

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CSIRO Energy



Commercial in Confidence

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Site water trial



Gasification, H2 production, and 'Pre-combustion Capture' R&D

Daniel Roberts | Research Group Leader

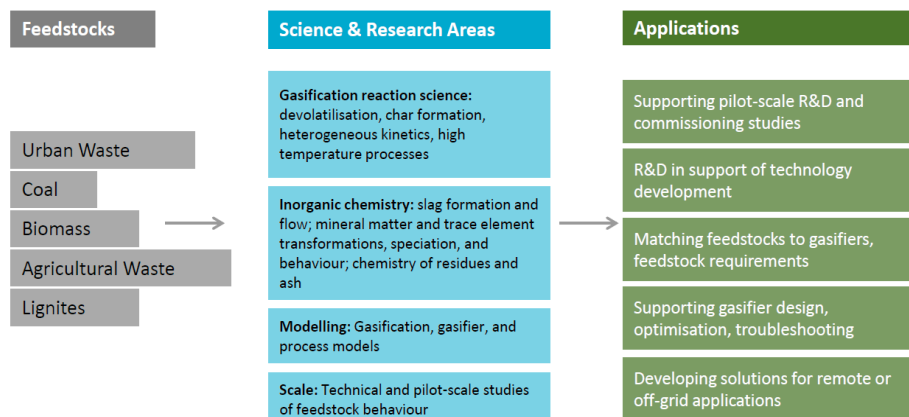
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Gasification of coal, biomass, and waste



CSIRO Gasification Research Fundamental science supporting industrial application

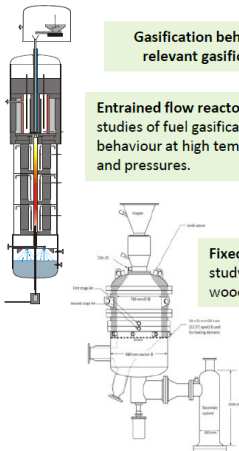


CSIRO Gasification Research

Gasification behaviour data under relevant gasification conditions

Entrained flow reactor for studies of fuel gasification behaviour at high temperatures and pressures.


Fixed bed biomass gasifier for studying gasification characteristics of wood and other biomass wastes



Supporting experiments allowing detailed interrogation of the gasification process

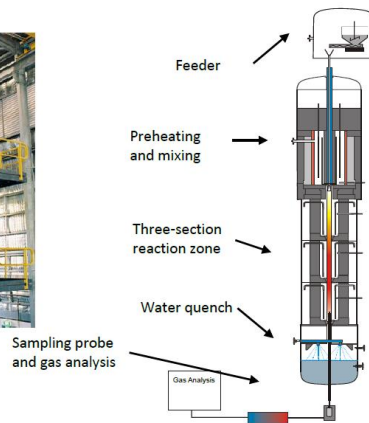
Lab scale facilities for studying feedstock conversion behaviour

Characterisation of inorganic species to troubleshoot gasifier operation and manage disposal or reuse of residues

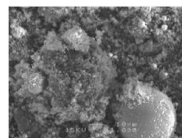


High Pressure Entrained Flow Reactor (PEFR)

- Entrained-flow reactor
- Capable of 20 bar pressure, 1500°C wall temperature
- Coal feed rate of 1-5 kg/hr
- Gas mixtures of O₂, CO₂, H₂O and N₂
- Adjustable sampling probe - char and gas samples collected at different residence times (0.5-3s)



Mineral Matter in Gasification Slag viscosity, trace elements, and their impacts

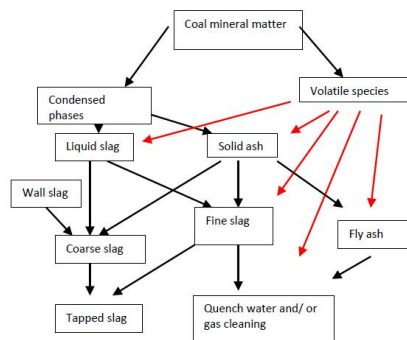


Volatile species (in syngas):

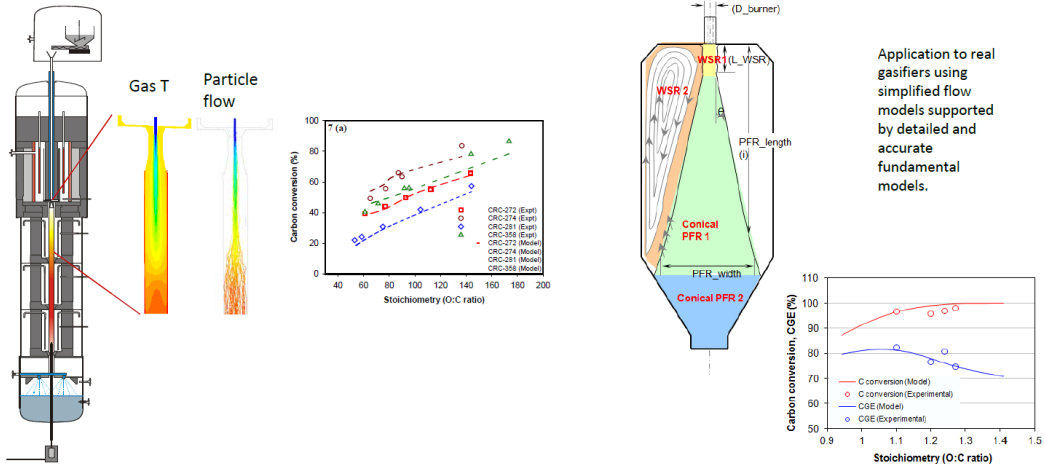
- requirements for syngas cleaning

Condensed phases (slag, fly ash):

- Syngas cleaning
- Operational: slag viscosity
- Utilisation/handling of waste
- Physical & chemical properties: trace elements, leaching



Gasification modelling



Biomass and waste gasification

New facility for studying gasification behaviour of biomass

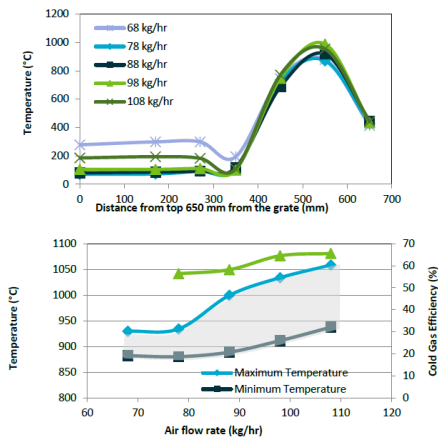
- Designed for forestry waste
- Well-suited for green waste

Research gasifier

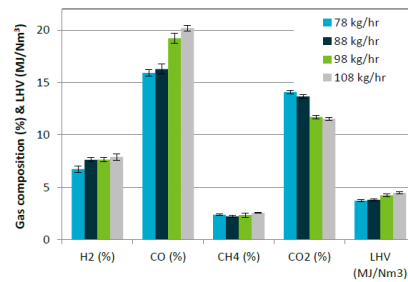
- Can be integrated with gas-to-liquid test facilities
- Can be integrated with a 25kW microturbine for power generation



Gasifier operation



Top air	Primary air	Secondary air	Total air (kg/hr)
0	39	29	68
0	44	34	78
0	48	40	88
0	53	45	98
0	58	50	108

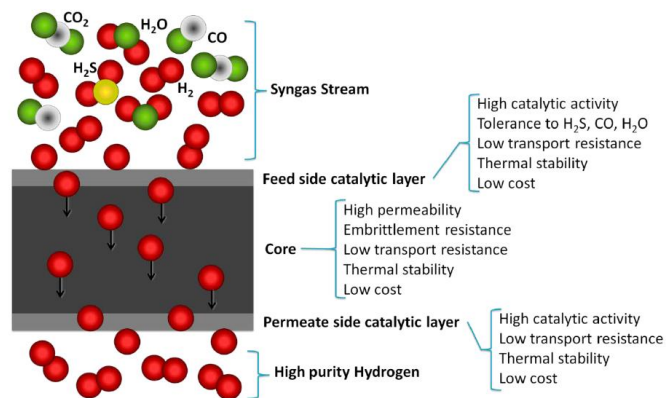


Metal membranes and membrane reactors



Metal membranes

Separation of H_2 from gasification, reforming or ammonia-derived mixed gas streams



Supported Pd membrane

- Pd layer provides gas-tightness and H_2 separation
- Porous substrate provides strength

Pd-alloy layer (10 μm)

Porous substrate (2 mm)

Pd in outer layer: USD 2400 m^{-2}
 Porous substrate: USD 5000 m^{-2}
 plus manufacturing costs



Must be $\gg 10 \mu m$ to meet ISO14687

Layered V membrane

- Pd layer provides H_2 separation
- V provides gas-tightness and strength

Catalytic alloy layer (200 nm)

Dense V substrate (200 μm)

Catalytic alloy layer (200 nm)

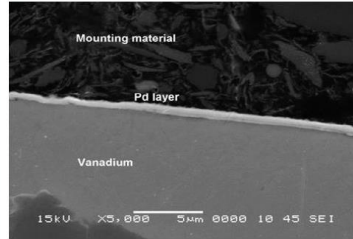
100% H_2 purity

V in substrate: USD 180 m^{-2}
 Catalytic layers: USD 100 m^{-2}
 plus manufacturing costs



Layered V-based membranes

- Embrittlement-resistant V-based alloy tube (patent pending)
- 9.5 mm (3/8") OD
- Catalytic surface coatings
- 300-350°C
- Very low cost (< \$2000/m² plus vessel), much cheaper than competing Pd-based membranes
- 100% pure H₂ (fuel cell compatible)



Industrial trials: Gas Reforming

Coregas plant at Port Kembla



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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Hydrogen Purity ex CSIRO Trial Hydrogen Plant

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Laboratory Number:	16488310
Date of Sampling:	18/03/16
Sample Identification:	CSIRO Trial Plant 99.30
Hydrogen Product:	99.30
Acetylene (ppm)	<0.05
Carbon Dioxide (ppm)	<0.1
Ethylene (ppm)	<0.1
Propene (ppm)	<0.1

Report Comments:
Note: Sampling not covered by Scope of Accreditation
Analyse Methods Used:
M/LAB/AC-108 9/04



Lignite gasification trials, 2015



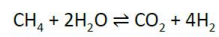
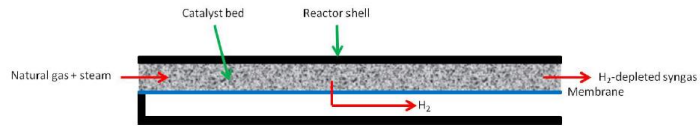
- Assessment of membrane performance for IGCC-CCS at EERC, Grand Forks ND
- Lignite-derived syngas
- 30 bar, 350°C
- US DOE program



Solar reforming, 2015



- Low temperature membrane reformer for solar-assisted H₂ production
- High methane conversion at 20 bar, 550°C (*c.f.* 800°C)
- In situ H₂ extraction (no downstream separation required)
- Solar-thermal integration
- Partnership with ARENA



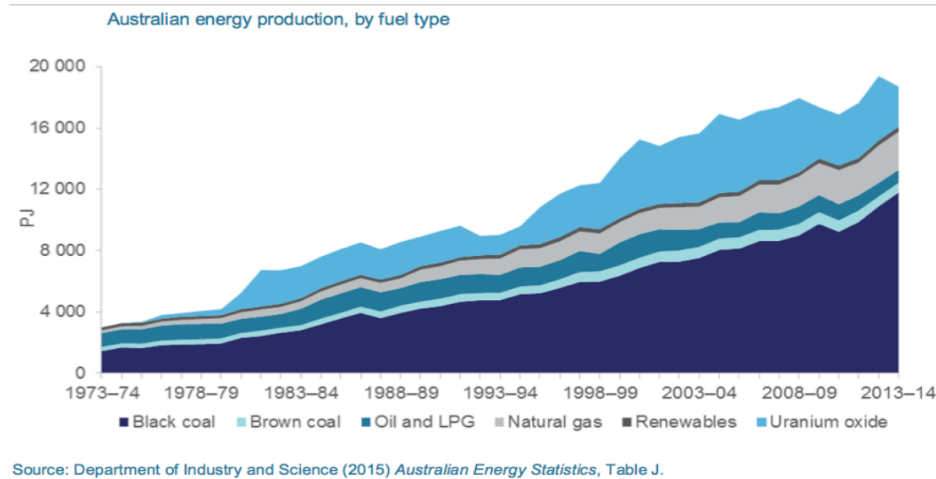
Carbon dioxide storage

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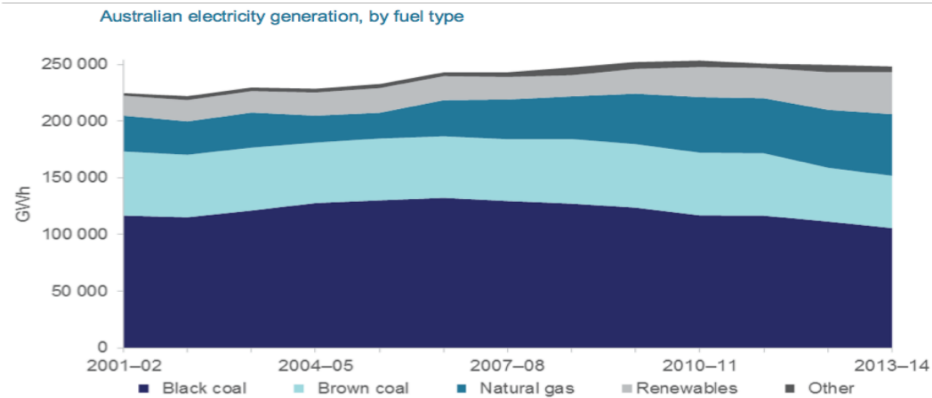
Australian energy production



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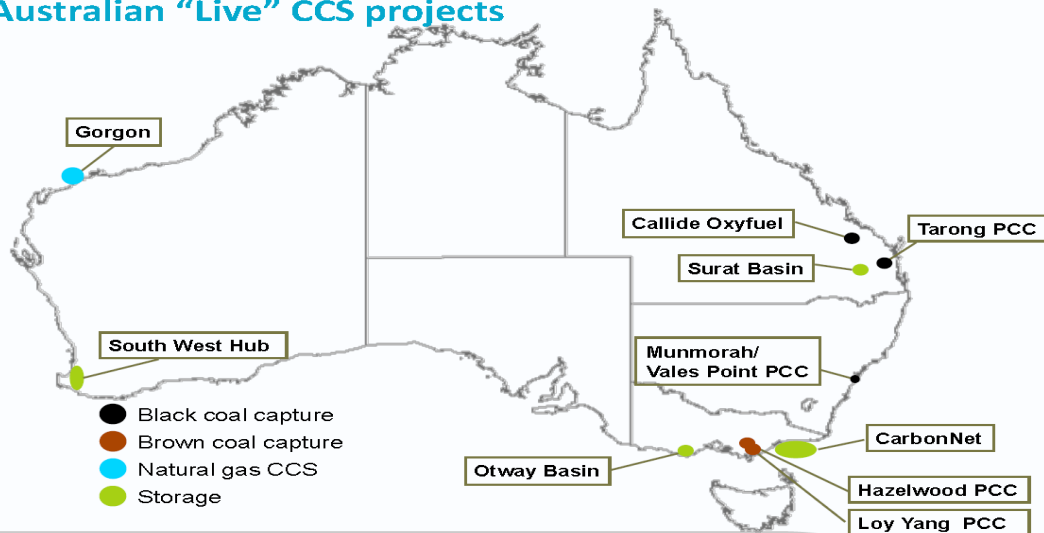
Australian electricity generation



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Australian “Live” CCS projects



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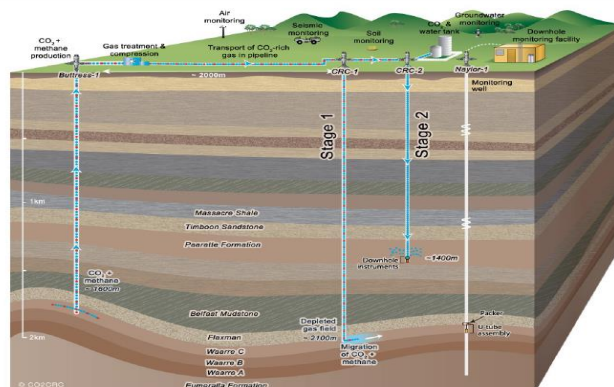
Carbon dioxide storage

- CSIRO is currently working on:
 - Supporting the evaluation of Australian storage sites (especially the SW Hub, CarbonNet, and Surat Basin sites).
 - Modelling the injection of injected CO₂ plumes.
 - Devising and applying methods to monitor the injected CO₂ to ensure it remains safe and secure.
 - Examining movement of groundwater in the vicinity of potential storage sites.
 - Engaging in international collaboration on CO₂ storage.
- CSIRO is a core research participant in the Cooperative Research Centre for Greenhouse Gas Technologies (CO2CRC) and the National Geosequestration Laboratory (NGL).

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CO2CRC Otway Project



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Example of a CO₂ well



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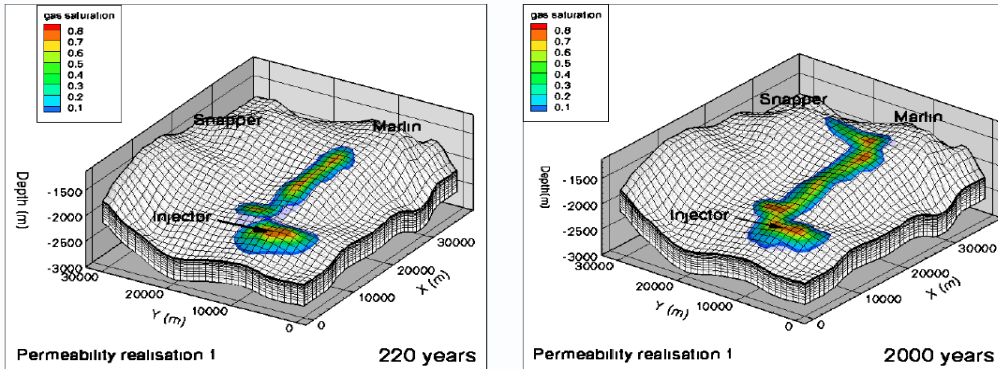
Enhanced coal seam gas recovery with CO₂ at Liulin



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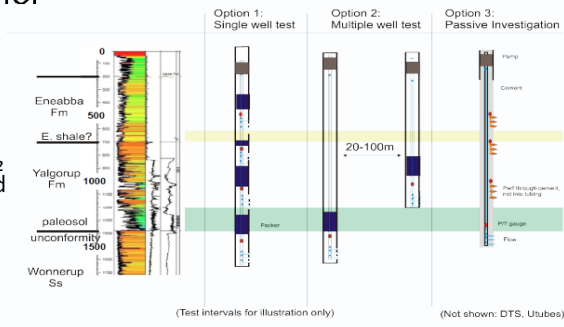
Reservoir simulation of injected CO₂



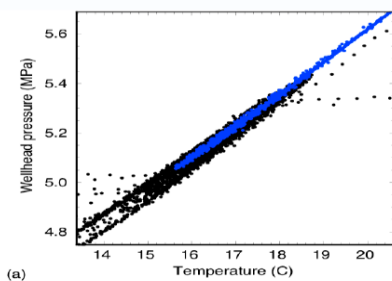
Designing CO₂ wells

Developing recommendations for well location, testing and instrumentation options for:

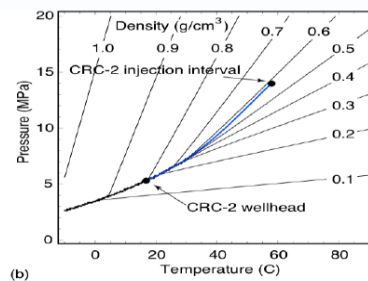
- Risk reduction and site characterisation, to define the CO₂ storage complex (containment and reservoir).
- Research and middle to long-term monitoring (e.g. deploy new instruments, implement new testing program, implement new injection techniques).



Wellbore conditions

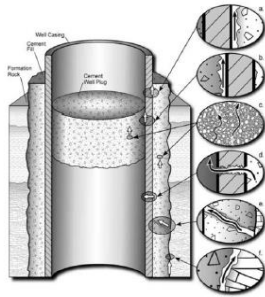


(a) Wellhead (surface) conditions



(b) Pressure and temperature in a CO₂ well

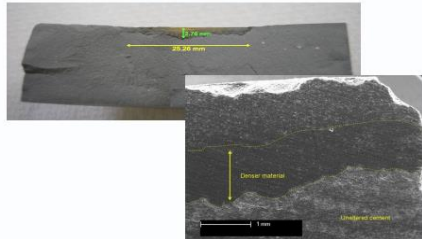
Integrity of wellbore cement



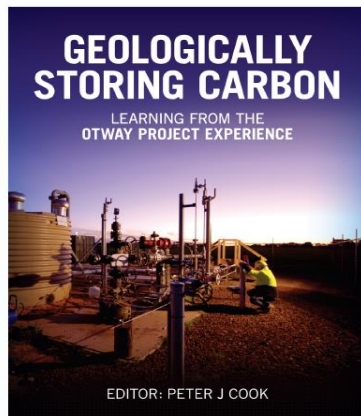
Cement degradation



- Laboratory experiments of cement degradation
- Reactive geochemistry simulations
- Predictions of well cement degradation under reservoir conditions



Otway project experience book



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An overview of Emissions Management and CO₂ Capture research at CSIRO

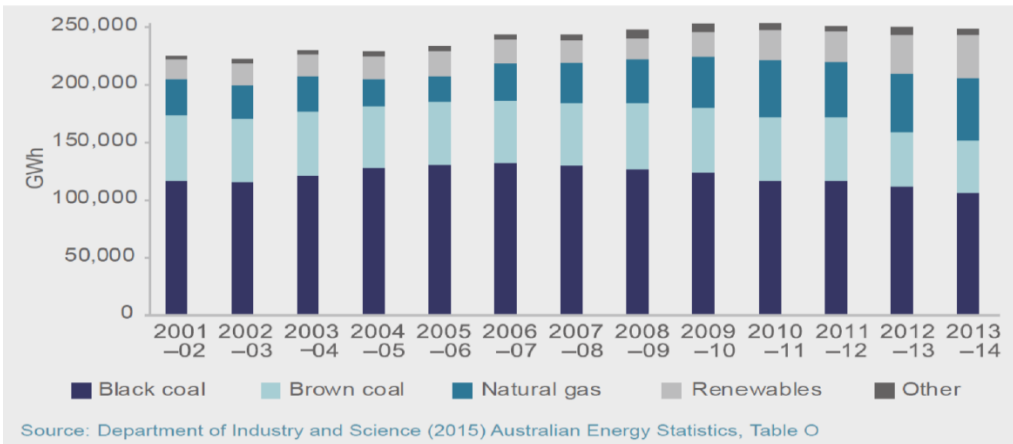
Ashleigh Cousins

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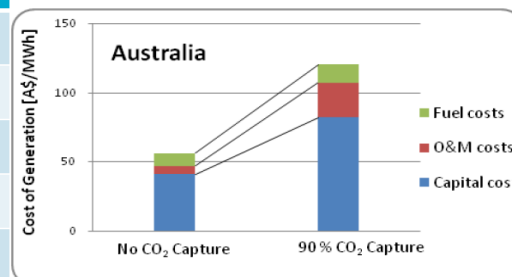
Electricity production in Australia



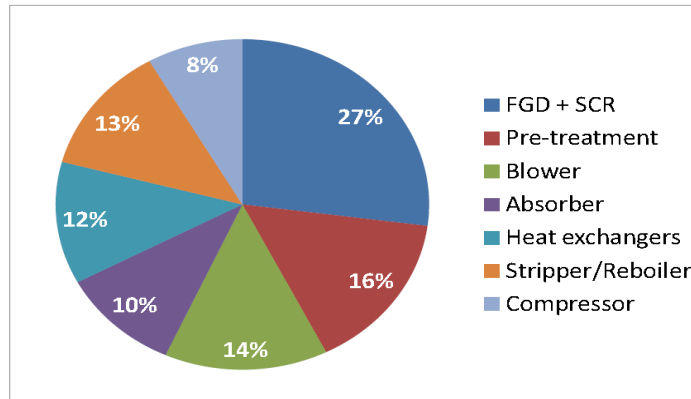
Australian coal fired power stations

	Black coal	Brown coal
Average efficiency [% HHV]	35.6	25.7
CO ₂ emission [tonne/MWh]	0.9	1.3
SO ₂ concentration [g/m ³]	0.5 – 1.7	0.2 – 0.7
NO _x concentration [g/m ³]	0.4 – 1.5	0.2 – 0.4
Particulate matter [mg/m ³]	10 – 100	10 – 60
Flue gas temperature [°C]	120	180

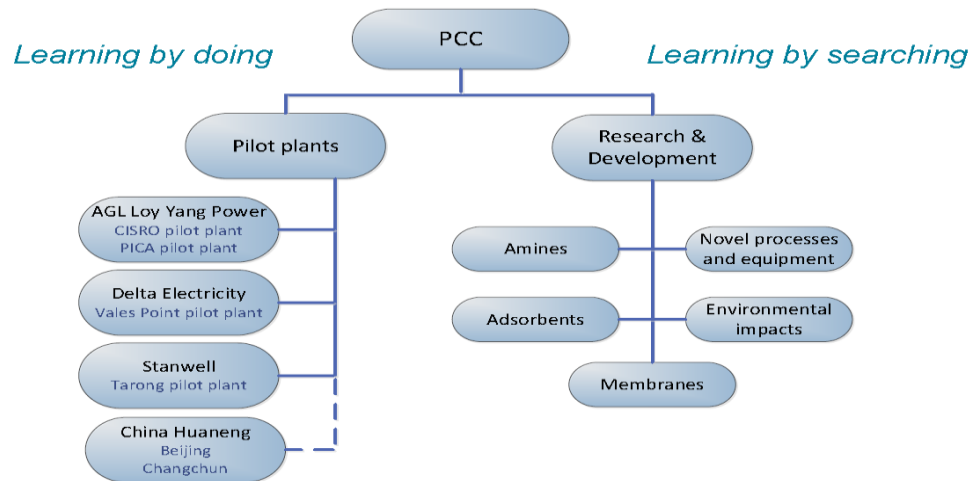
Data derived from CCSD – technology assessment report B2



PCC equipment costs overview

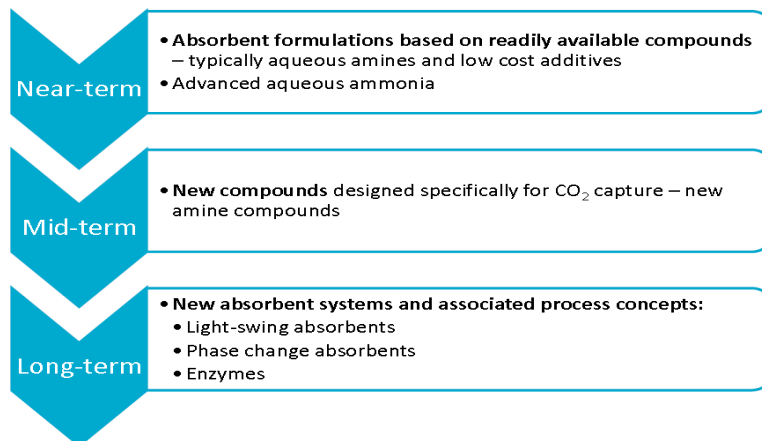


CSIRO's PCC program



CSIRO's chemical absorbent research program

Graeme Puxty



Rotating liquid sheet contactor

Leigh Wardhaugh

Basic principles

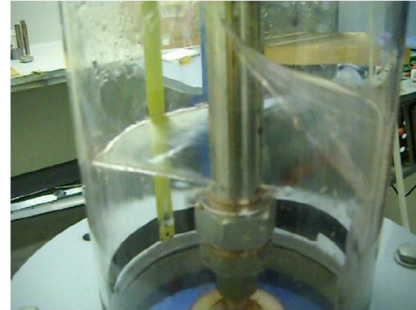
- Surface area of stabilized liquid sheet greater than that resulting droplets
- Rotating liquid surface proven experimentally to pump gas
- Centrifugal + liquid pumping force creates interfacial area

Advantages

- Higher gas velocities possible
- Liquid entrainment significantly reduced
- Suitable for viscous solvents

Challenges

- Scale-up to commercial scale
- Liquid residence time low

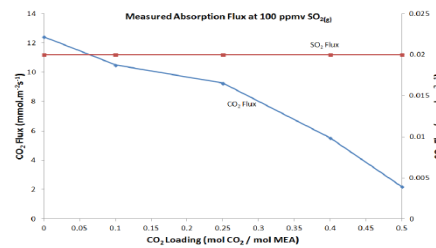
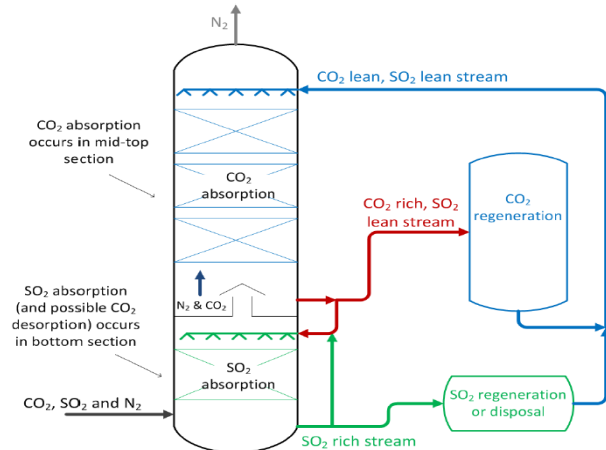


Wardhaugh et al., *Greenhouse Gas Sci Technol.* 5:198–209 (2015)



Integrated single stream SO₂ and CO₂ capture

Ashleigh Cousins



Beyad et al., *International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control* 31 (2014) 205–213

Puxty et al. 2012, WO2012_097406



Aqueous ammonia

Hai Yu

- Indestructible liquid absorbent
- Chemical well-known to electricity industry
- Suited for “contaminated” feed gases
- Fertiliser by-product
- Product CO₂ at elevated pressure
- Technical feasibility demonstrated in pilot plant but no cost advantage
- Addressing challenges:
 - Mass transfer promotion, temperature increase
 - Vapour suppressors
 - Further integration of pretreatment and water wash
 - Process design



Li et al., *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 2015, 49, 10243–10252



Solid sorbent CO₂ capture unit at Vales Point

Ramesh Thiruvengkatachari

Objective

- ❑ Evaluate the stability of honeycomb CF composite monolithic adsorbents using the real flue gas
- ❑ Understand the effect of real flue gas characteristics on the operation and performance of the CO₂ capture unit



Results

- ❑ Excellent stability to real flue gas over 200 experiments
- ❑ CO₂ adsorption efficiency consistently over 98%
- ❑ CO₂ desorption efficiency between 90-95%
- ❑ Near complete removal of SO₂ and NO_x
- ❑ Could be pretreatment unit for amine based PCC



Thiruvengkatachari et al. IJGGC 42 (2015) 415–423



Emission issues addressed via integrated approach

Merched Azzi

1. Formation of potentially harmful components

- Absorbent degradation in absorber
- Absorbent degradation in desorber

2. Emission analysis

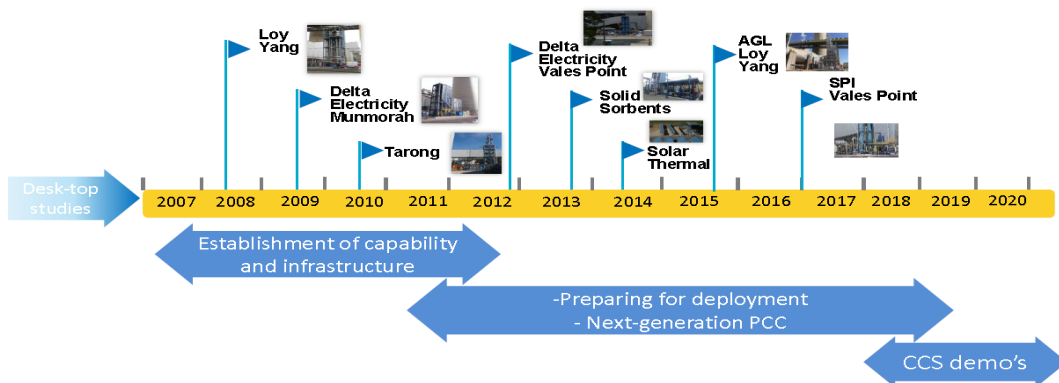
- Estimation of concentrations using process models
- Actual measurements in pilot plants

3. Dispersion

- Smog chamber to investigate atmospheric degradation
- Updating dispersion models with atmospheric chemistry



Piloting PCC Technologies in Australia



Pilot plant summary

Aaron Cottrell

Plant	Loy Yang	Vales Point	Tarong	PICA
Solvent	Amine	Ammonia/ Amine	Amine	Amine
Flue gas source	Brown coal	Black coal	Black coal	Brown coal
Scale	50 kg/hr CO ₂	300 kg/hr CO ₂	100 kg/hr CO ₂	50 kg/hr CO ₂
Focus	Solvent benchmarking	Ammonia operation	Process optimisation	Duration evaluation
Other activities	Emission study Combined CO ₂ /SO ₂ capture	Pressurised absorption Solar thermal integration	Pressurised stripping Corrosion Degradation	



Solar thermal energy for absorbent regeneration

James McGregor

- Avoiding interface with existing steam cycle
- More effective in terms of CO₂-emission reduction
- Introduction of flexibility into the capture process

Pilot plant at Vales Point power station

- Integrated with existing PCC pilot plant
- 65 kW_{th} solar array



<http://arena.gov.au/files/2015/08/3-A006-Final-Report-and-Lessons-Learnt.pdf>



PICA project

Aaron Cottrell

PCC
IHI
CSIRO
AGL

Project aims:

- 40% lower cost compared to the MEA base case
 - Advanced packing materials, liquid absorbent and process
- Long-term performance evaluation both IHI Corporation and CSIRO developed technologies
- Supporting large-scale CCS as an affordable, secure and environmentally benign option for power generation



<http://www.csiro.au/en/News/News-releases/2016/PICA-powers-up-to-improve-CO2-capture>



Process Development Facility

Dan Maher



- Located at Newcastle Energy Technology Labs
- Scale between Lab bench scale and Pilot scale
- Modular design
- Flexible operation
- Ventilated & bunded space
- “Controlled” environment



Outlook for PCC in Australia – Next steps

- Qualification of new liquid absorbents towards deployment
 - Formulations and designer amines
 - Optimisation of process design
- Development of SO₂/CO₂ process concept
- Focus on process and equipment innovation
- Solar thermal integration demonstration
- Continued efforts in next-gen technologies
 - Adsorbents, membranes
 - Advanced liquid absorbent systems

