

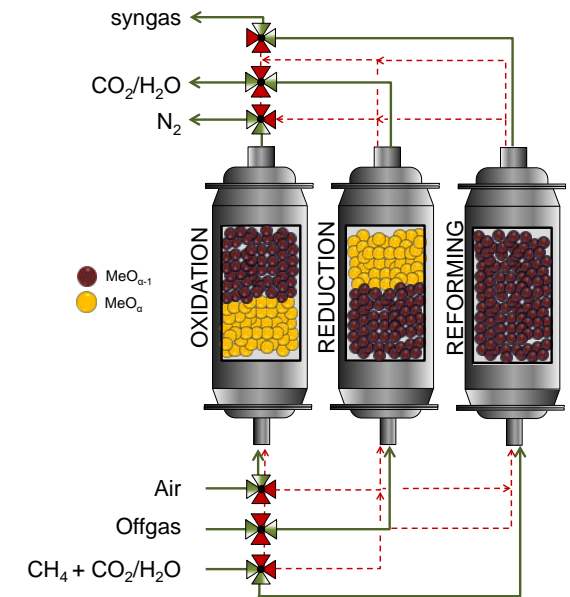
Clean Hydrogen and Chemicals production via chemical looping

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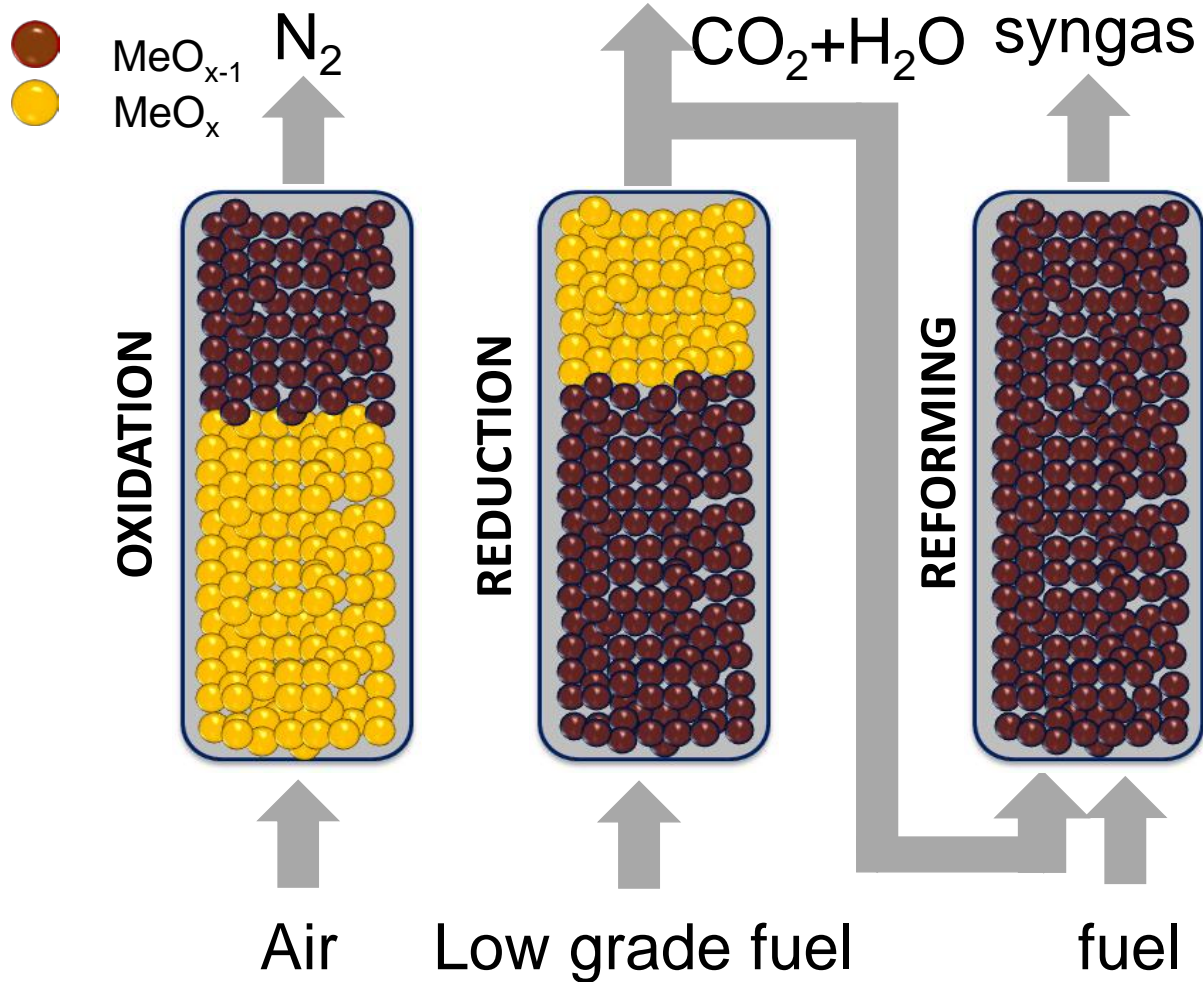
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The concept

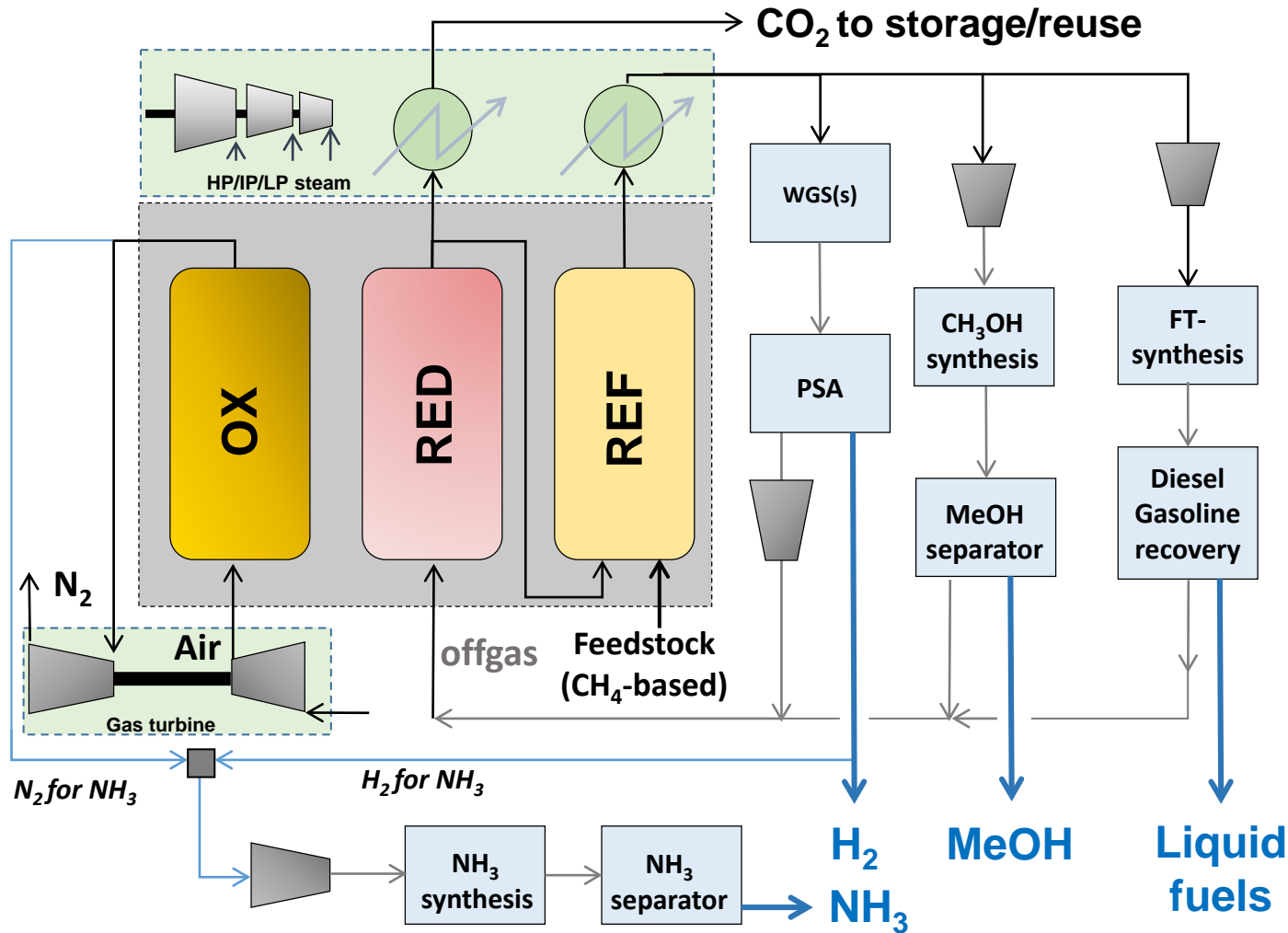


Chemical Looping Reforming with dynamically operated packed bed reactor

Challenges (research topic):

- 1) Reaction and heat fronts velocities
particle/reactor
(fundamental studies)
- 2) OC formulation
(cost, stability, toxicity, kinetics)
- 3) Product yields
(reactor/process performance)
- 4) Dynamic operation
(reactor/process engineering)

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Challenges (research topic):

- 1) Feedstock/products selection/utilisation
(plant size, availability, industrial symbiosis)
- 2) techno-economic assessment
(benchmarking, energy/cost analysis)
- 3) Route to scale-up
(reactor/process engineering)

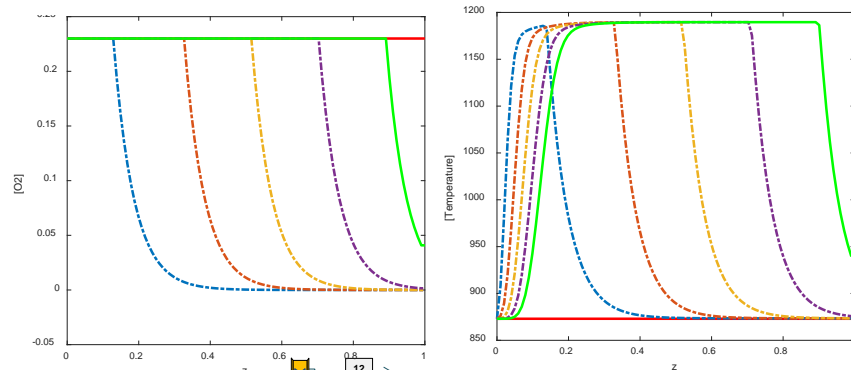
Aim:

lab scale demonstration of a new **enhanced auto-thermal** chemical looping process *to accelerate* the cost-effective production of **hydrogen** and other **chemicals** (such as ammonia, methanol and liquid fuels) with near zero emissions.

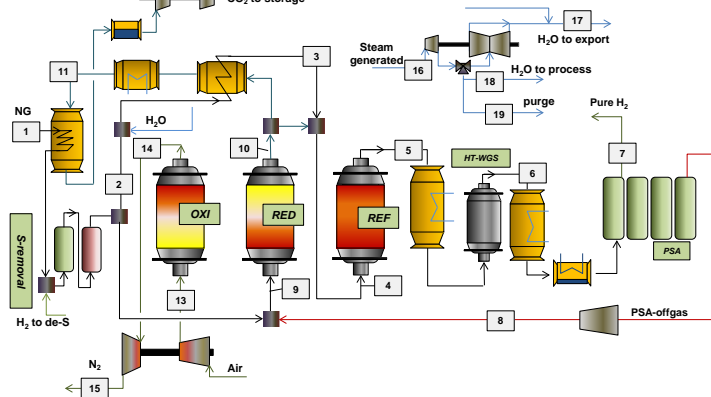
Objectives:

- 1) Experimental demonstration** in the existing lab facility of the concept at **relevant operating conditions (up to 1000 °C, 10 bar, $\approx 5-10 \text{ kW}_{\text{LHV,th}}$)** in a 1 kg packed bed reactor, using Ni, and Fe-based OCs;
- 2) Design and modelling of a large scale reactor** based on the above experimental campaign including **techno-economic assessment and comparison** with benchmark processes.

Reactor model



Process model

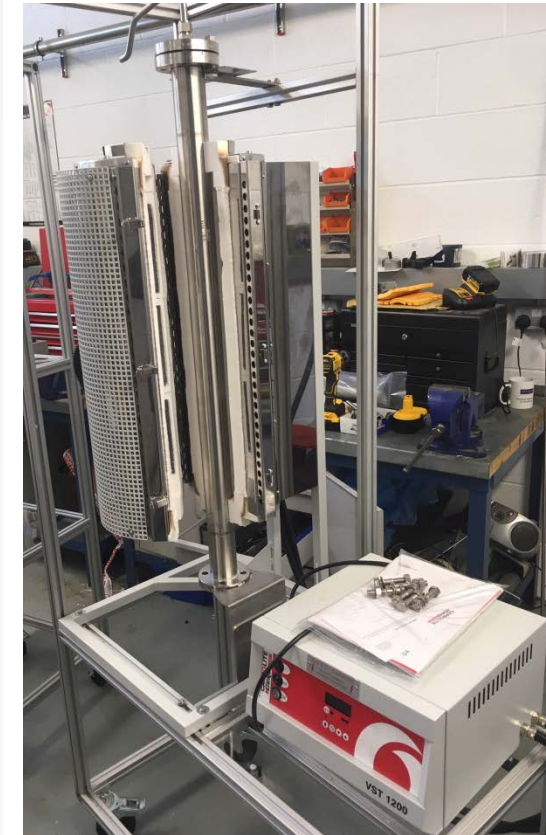
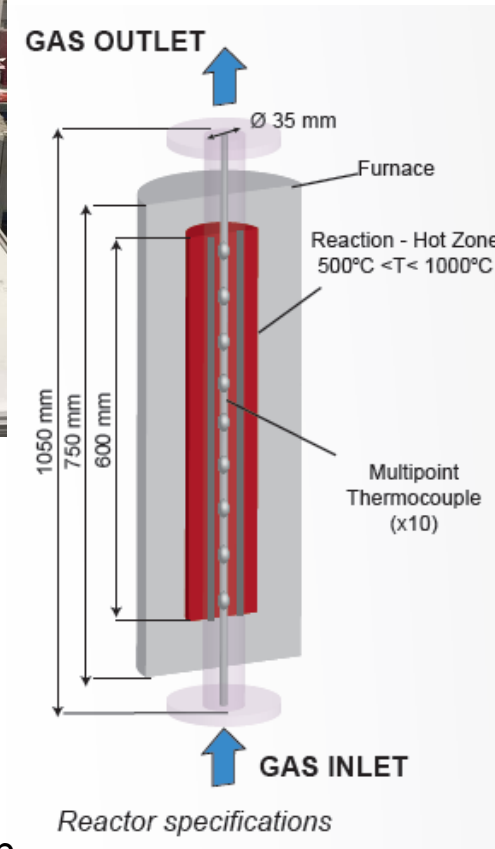


- 1) phenomenological reactor model for gas-solid reactions to be validated against the experiments
- 2) conceptual design of a large-scale process and its cost assessment

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Setup:
T: up to 1000°C
P: up to 10 bar
(upgrade to 20 bar)
Capacity: 1 kg material
(Fe-based/Ni-based)
Gases: up to 30 nL/min
CO/CO₂/N₂/H₂/CH₄/He/Air
In-situ steam generator



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New route for chemical looping will be explored to combine syngas generation and CO₂ capture at high pressure/high temperature

Chemical Looping in fluidised bed has been demonstrated at atmospheric pressure; syngas generation is industrially convenient at high pressure (20-50 bar)

Process design at different plant size and utilisation

Apart from conventional H₂ and GtL process, this concept is suitable for: i) de-hydrogenation, ii) steam-iron, iii) offgas valorisation, iv) pure CO₂ production; v) small-scale production

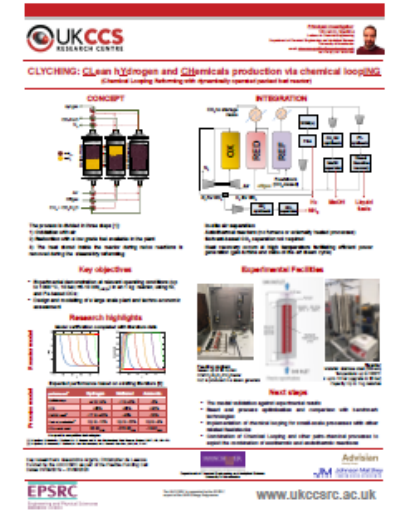
Improved performance compared to existing commercial processes

performance	Hydrogen	Methanol	Ammonia
Δefficiency [#]	+4 to +14%	-1 to +3%	-3%
CCR	>95%	>95%	>90%
CAPEX [#]	-17 to +40%	-40%	-20%
Cost of production[#]	Up to -10%	Up to -20%	Up to -6%
CO₂ avoid. cost	55 €/t_{CO2}	-270 €/t_{CO2}	-13 €/t_{CO2}

[#] respect to competitive technologies



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