

2017 CAPTURE TECHNOLOGY MEETING

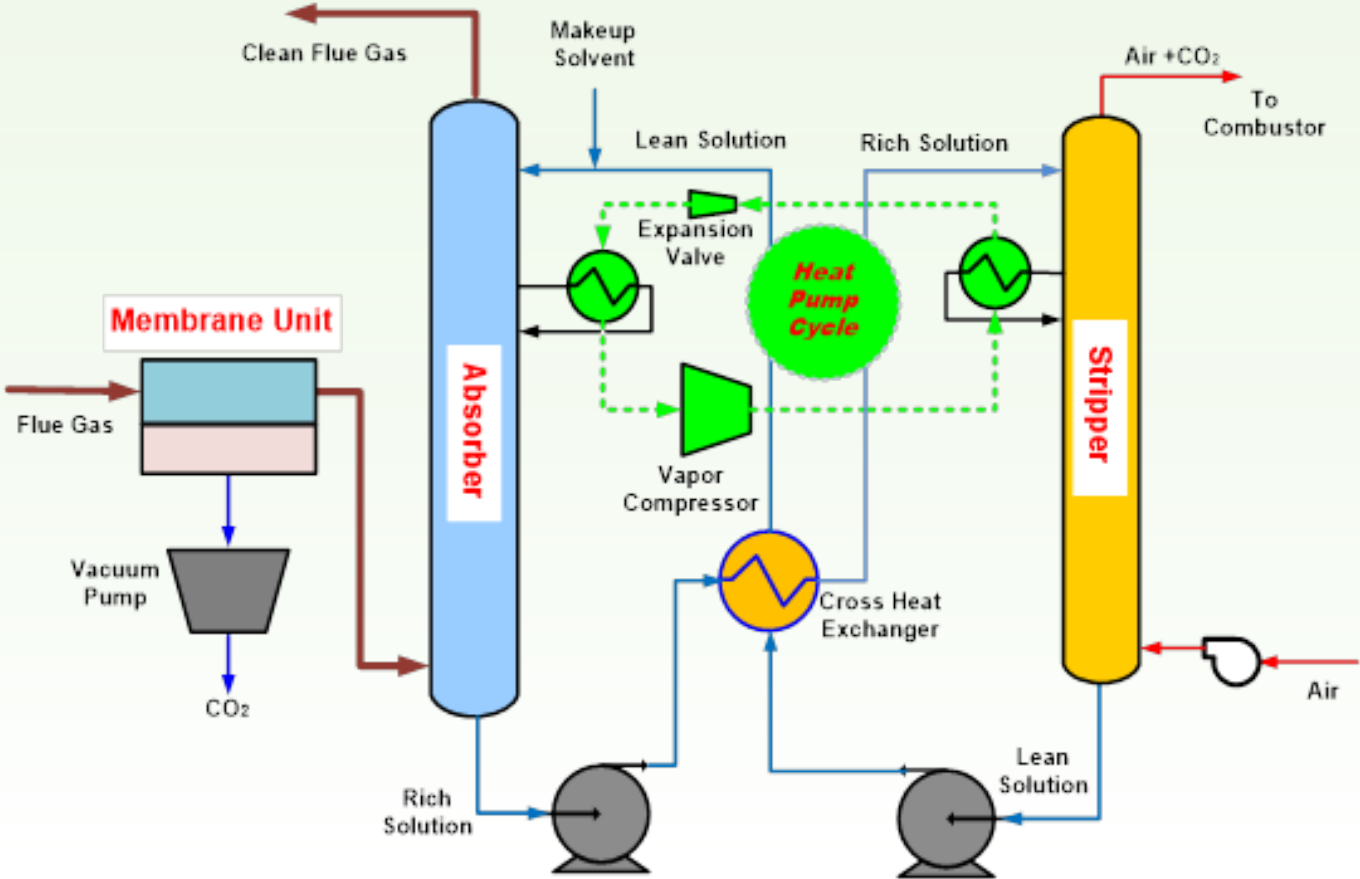
LAB-SCALE DEVELOPMENT OF A HYBRID
CAPTURE SYSTEM WITH ADVANCED MEMBRANE,
SOLVENT SYSTEM AND PROCESS INTEGRATION

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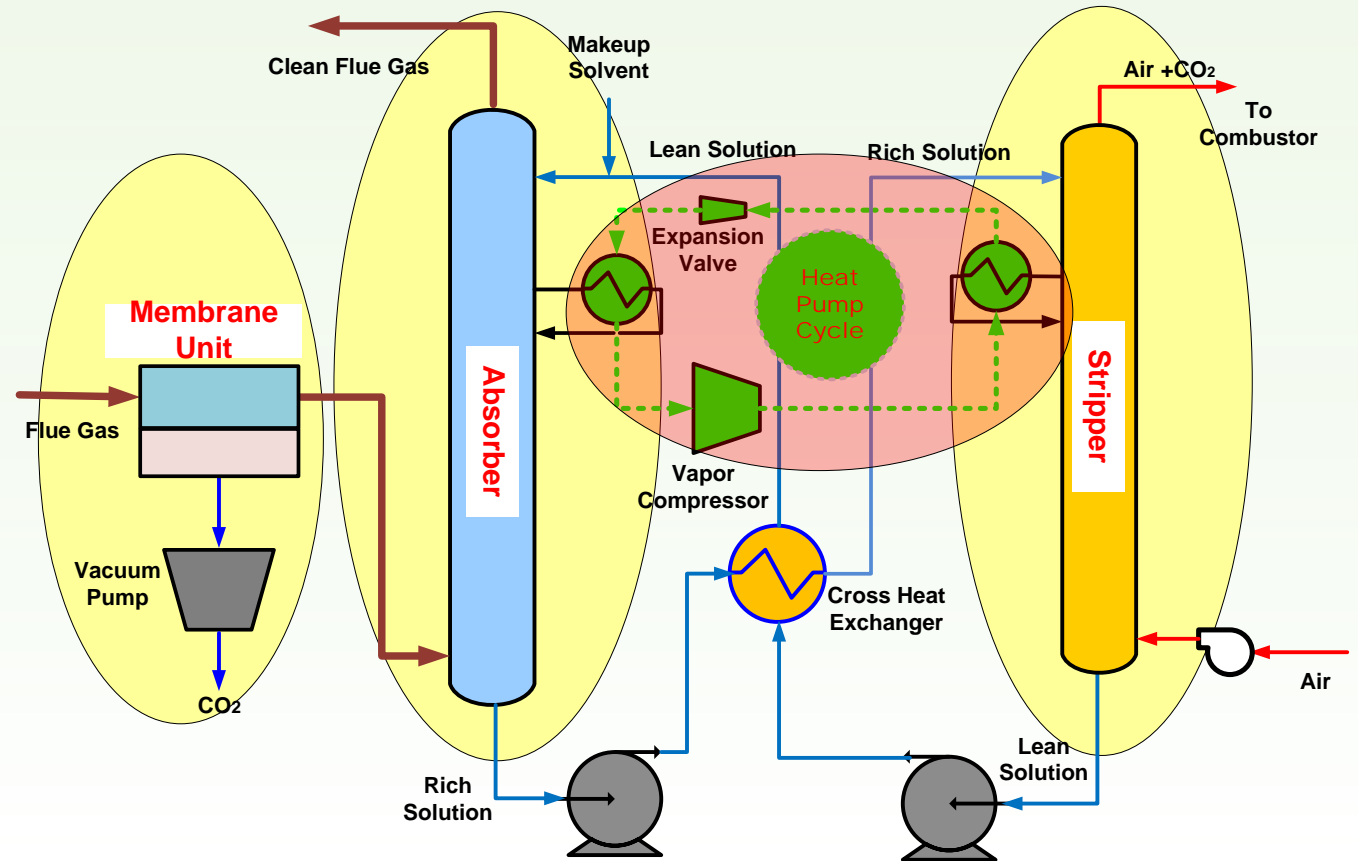


Membrane Integration



Membrane/Solvent Integrated Process

- Advantages
 - Tail-end technology which is easily used in retrofits
 - No steam extraction is required
 - Heat pump is seamlessly integrated into the cooling and heating of absorption/stripping process
 - Operating pressure of the stripper will be very flexible depending on the low quality heat
- Disadvantage
 - Capital cost could be intensive





CCS Team

Dr. Scott Chen and Dr. John Pan

- Experienced Chemical Engineer
- Strong Background in Separation Processes and Thermodynamics
- Founder of Carbon Capture Scientific, LLC

PSU Team

Prof. Harry Allcock and Dr. Zhongjing Li

- Leading Investigator of Phosphazene Polymers (>630 Articles in the Area)
- Renowned Chemist with Experience in Industry, Government and Academia



LIS Team

Prof. Hunaid Nulwala and Dr. Dave Luebke

- Experienced Chemist with Experience in Industry, Government, and Academia
- 40+ Publications and 16+ Patents and Applications in Material Development



Project Outline

- Task 1: Project Management
- Task 2: Computer Simulation of Hybrid Process
- Task 3: Generation 0 ICE Membrane Development
- Task 4: Modification, Installation, and Testing of Absorption Column
- Task 5: Generation 1 ICE Membrane Development
- Task 6: Modification, Installation, and Testing of Air Stripper
- Task 7: Membrane Scale-up and Simulated Flue Gas Testing
- Task 8: Preliminary Techno-economic Analysis

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

The System

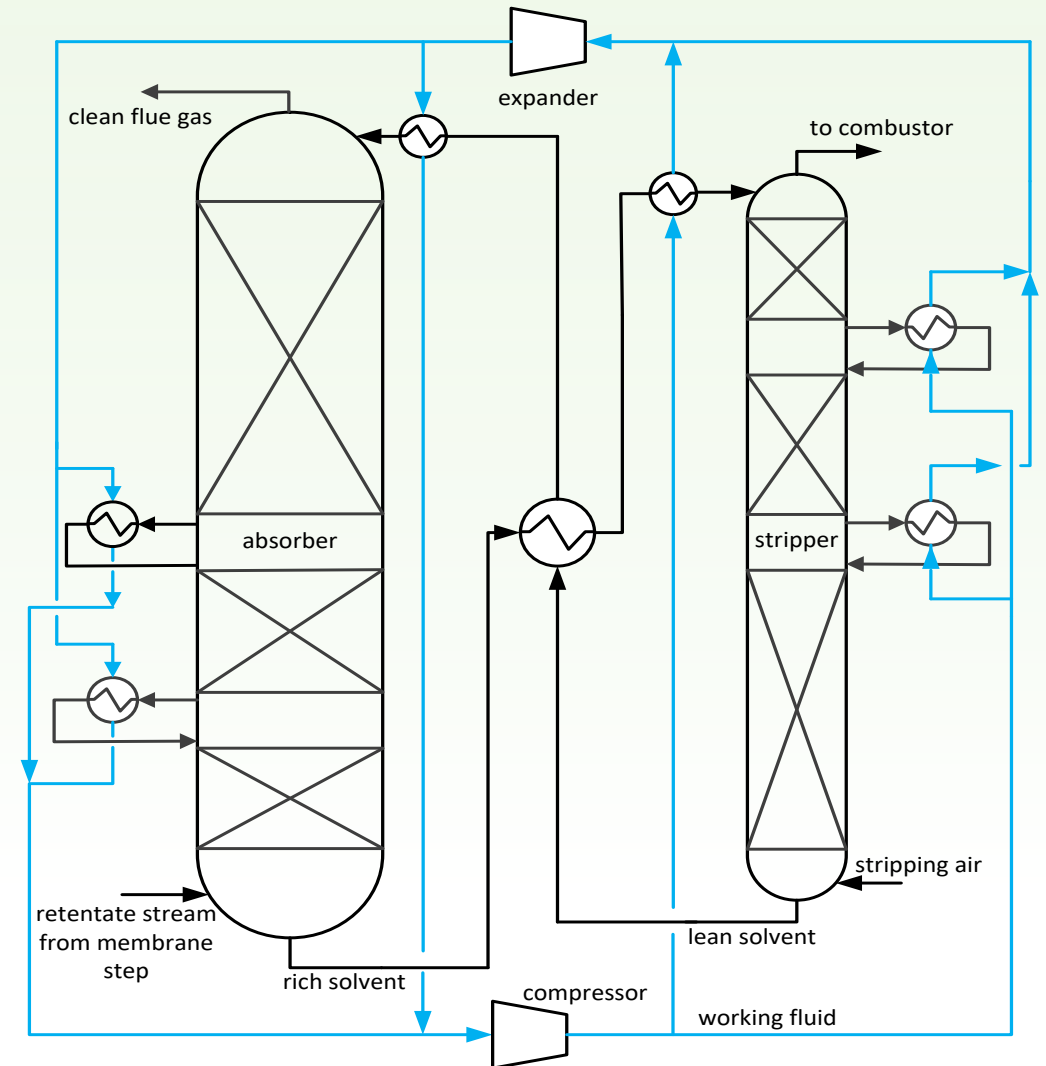
Hybrid Process Simulation

Heat duties (MW) for the absorption/stripping process (30/60°C)

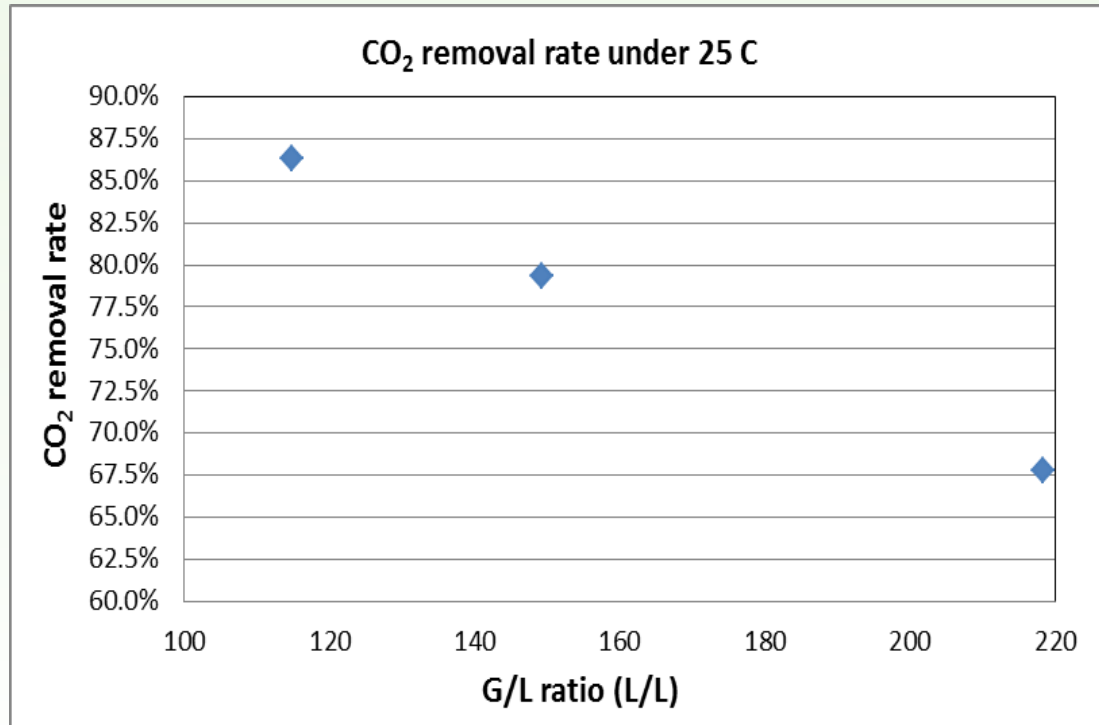
	Absorber	Stripper
top	-88.04	19.80
1st inter-stage	-52.56	77.42
2nd inter-stage	-43.48	51.35
3 rd inter-stage		33.00
total	-184.08	181.51

Energy Performance of the Hybrid Process

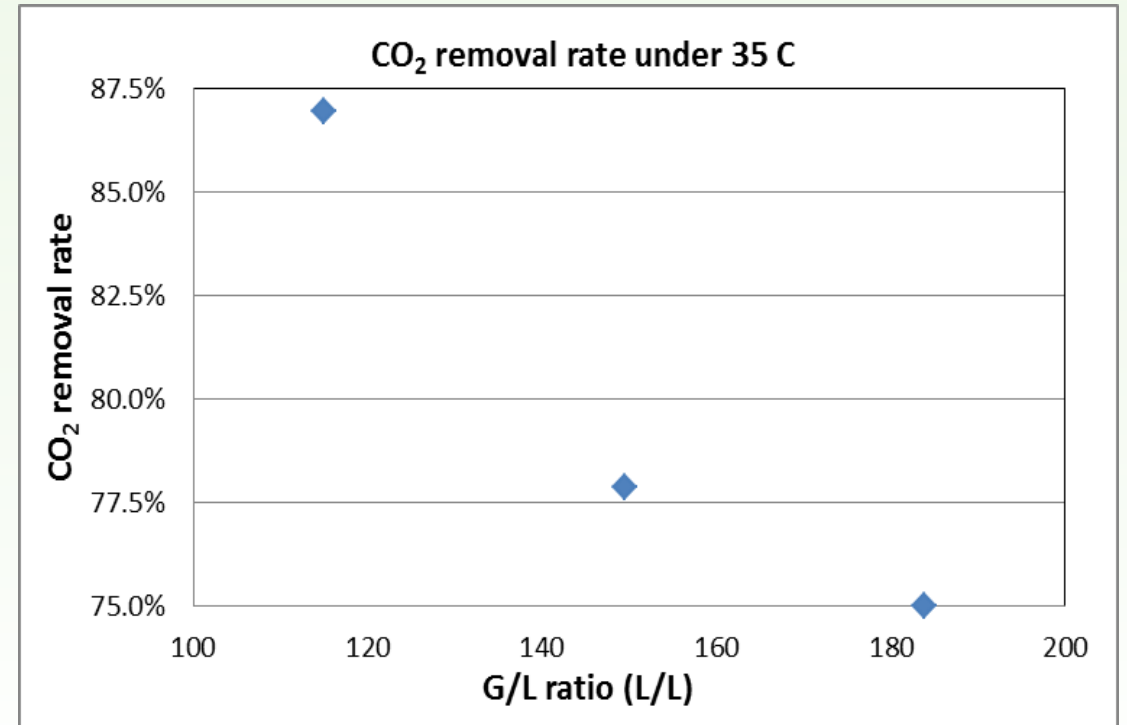
Power Item (in MWe)	Baseline Case 12	Hybrid Process
Compression	44.8	87.48
Steam Usage	139.19	0
Heat Pump Cycle	0	23.79
Membrane Unit	0	15.7
Others	20.6	20.6
total	204.6	147.57



Absorber Testing

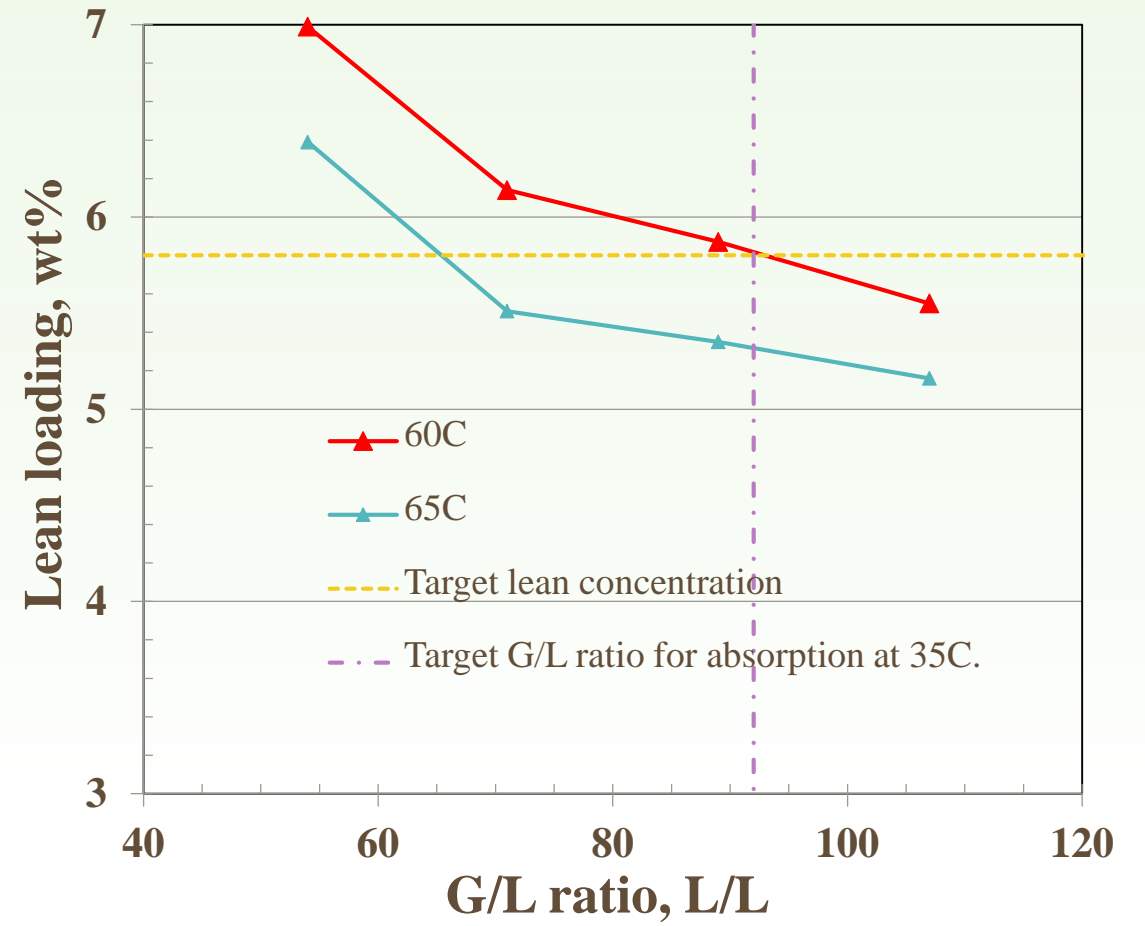
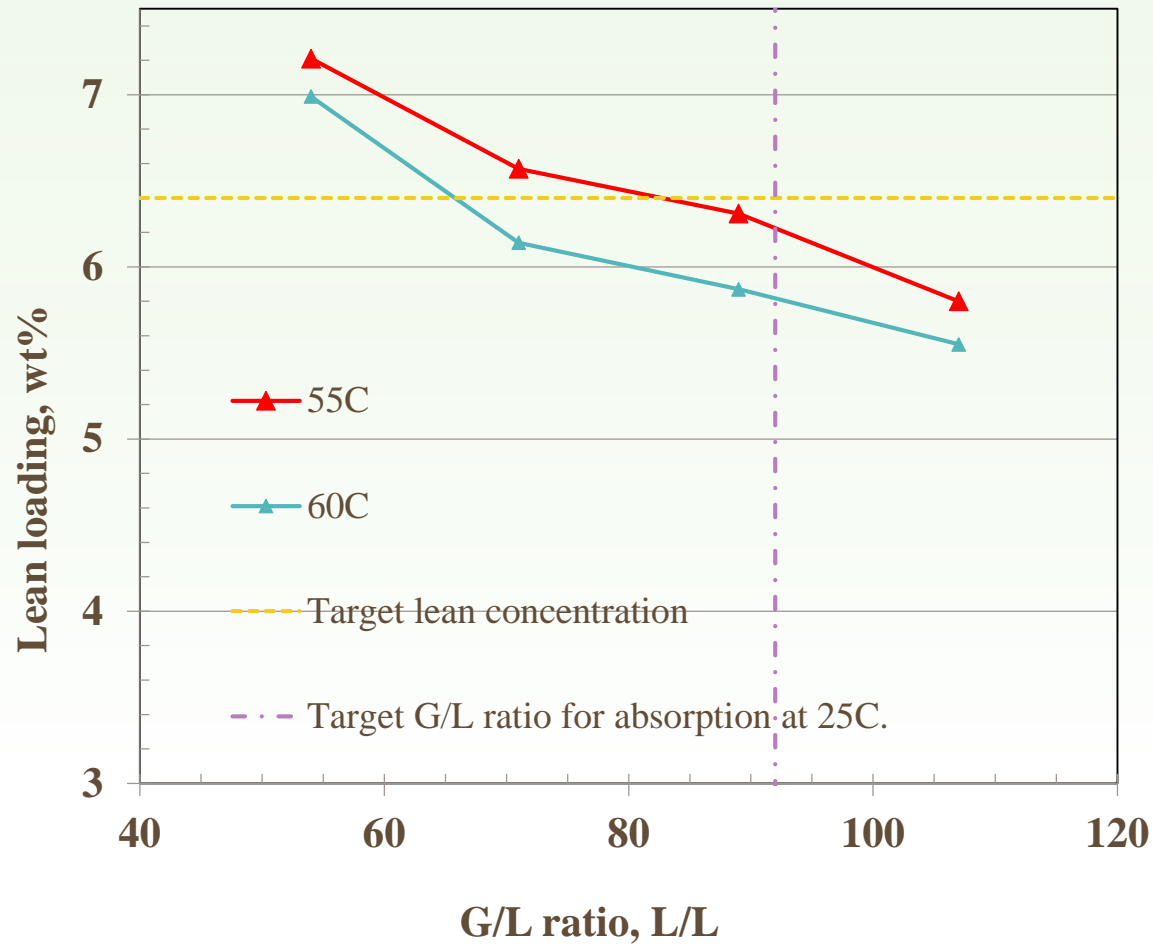


Lean loading: 6.4 wt%



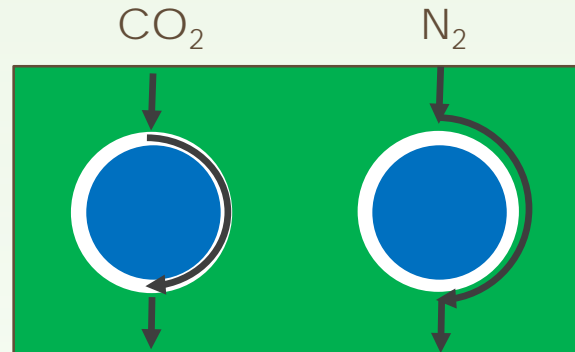
Lean loading: 5.8 wt%

Stripper Testing



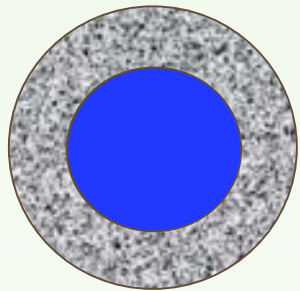
The Membrane

Plan of Attack for Mixed Matrix Membranes



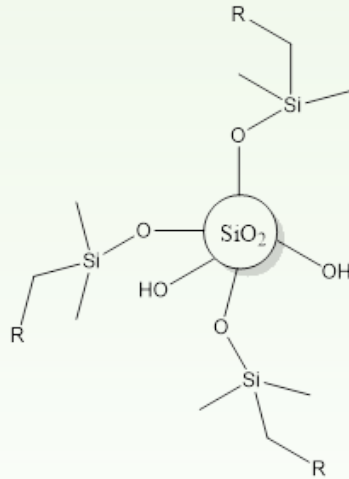
- Use simple nanoparticle fillers
- Surface modify the particles to improve interactions with CO_2 and the polymer
- Employ an advanced polymer with good compatibility and CO_2 transport properties
- Create a membrane in which diffusion phenomena are determined by interactions with the particle and polymer surface

Membrane Fabrication and Optimization



5-10 nm Silica

Nano-particle
Selection



Nano-particle
Modification



Membrane Film
Fabrication

The Polymer

The Ideal Polymer?

Processability/
Mechanical Properties

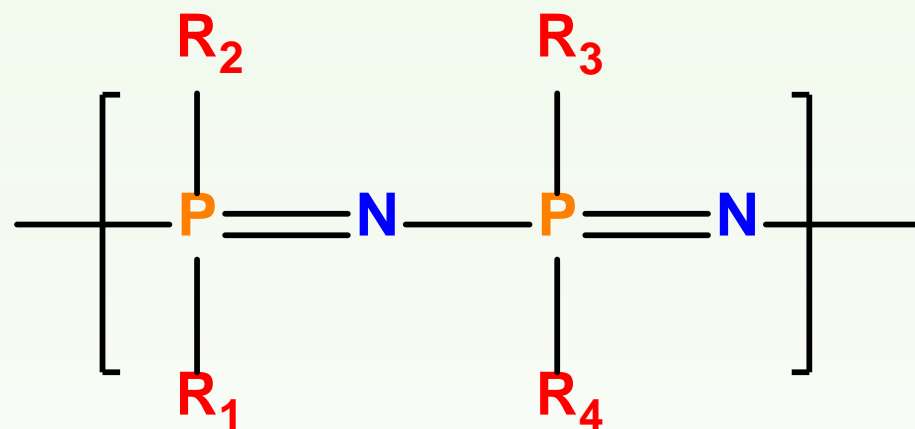


Chemical and
Environmental
Stability

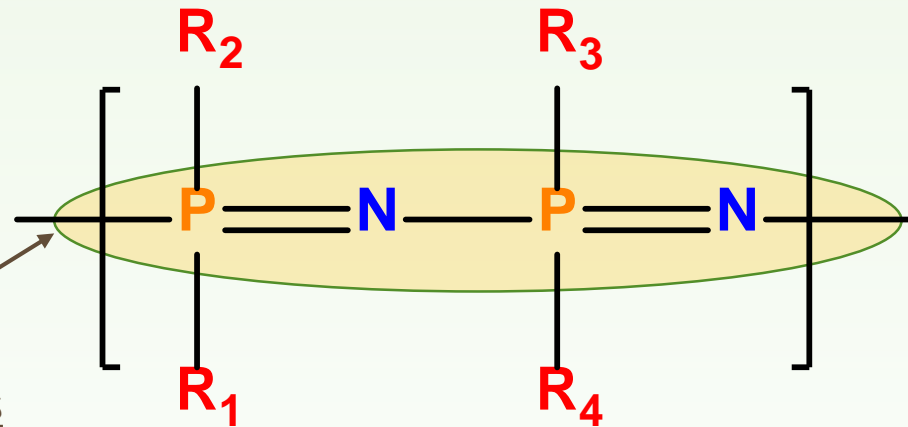


Gas Separation Performance

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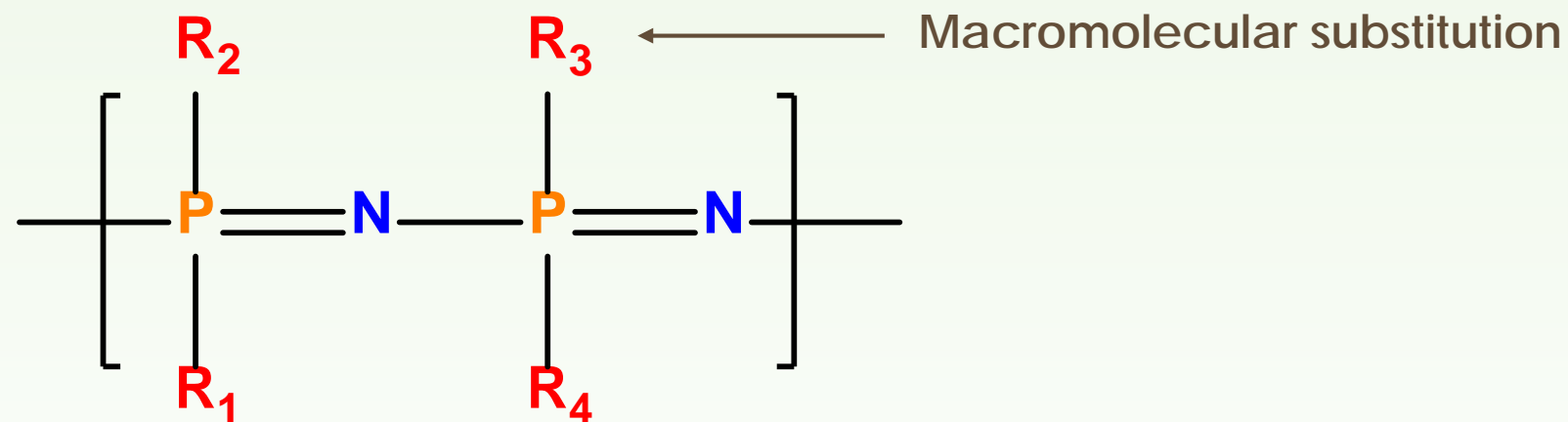


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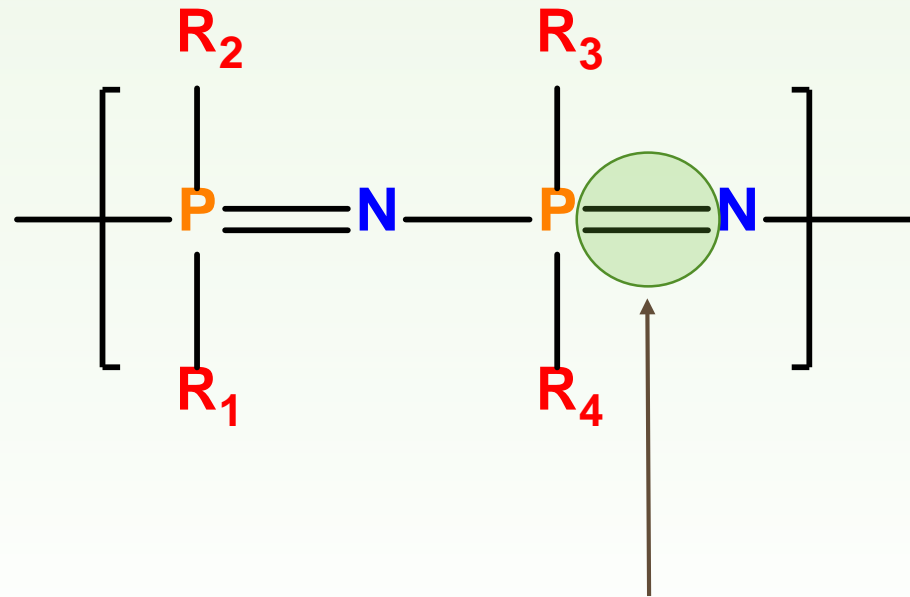


Ultra Flexible chains
High chain mobility
Improved gas solubility and diffusion

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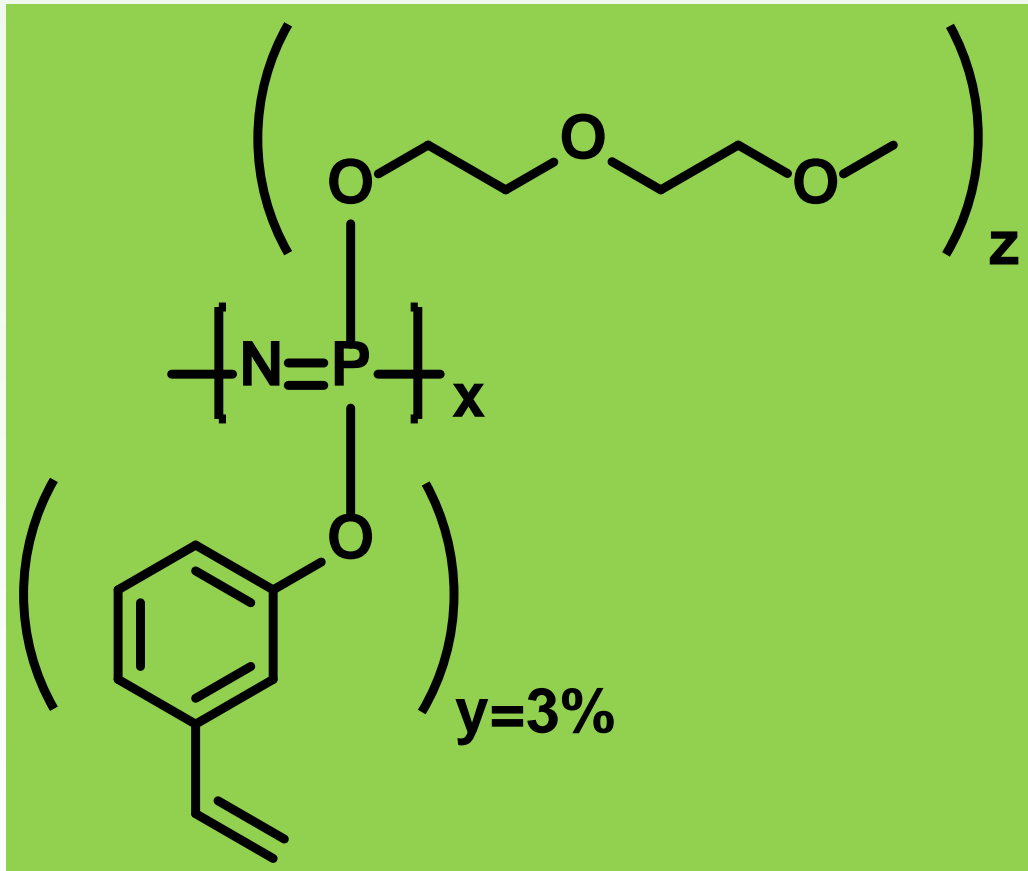


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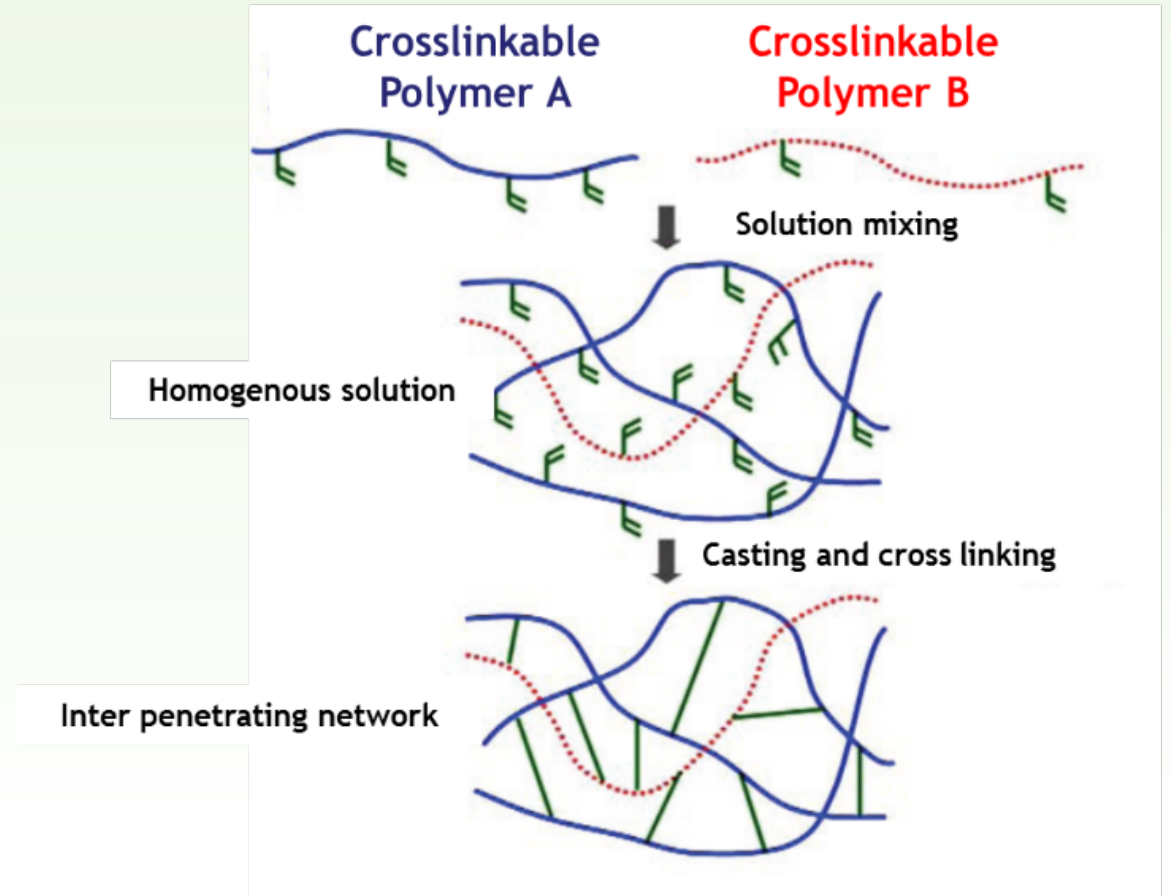


Excellent chemical and thermal stability
C-C = 607 ΔH_f kJ/mol vs. P-N = 617 ΔH_f kJ/mol

Selected Polymer



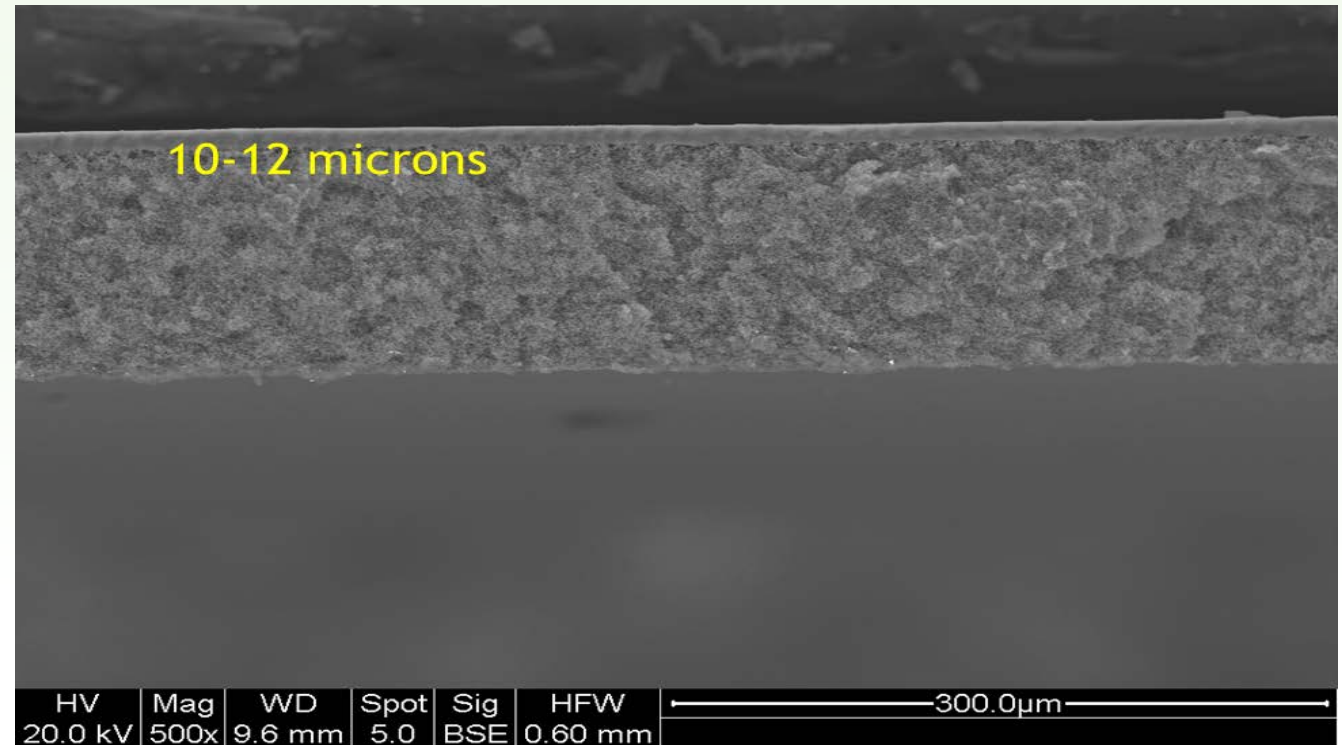
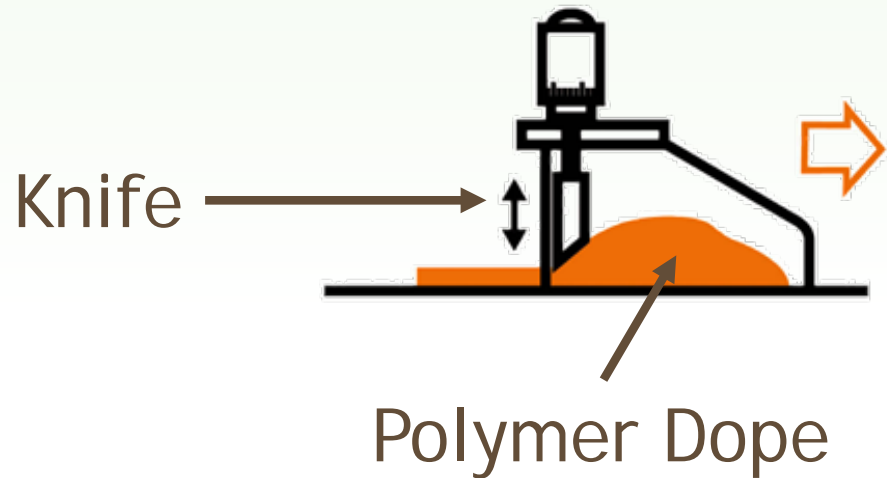
Polymer



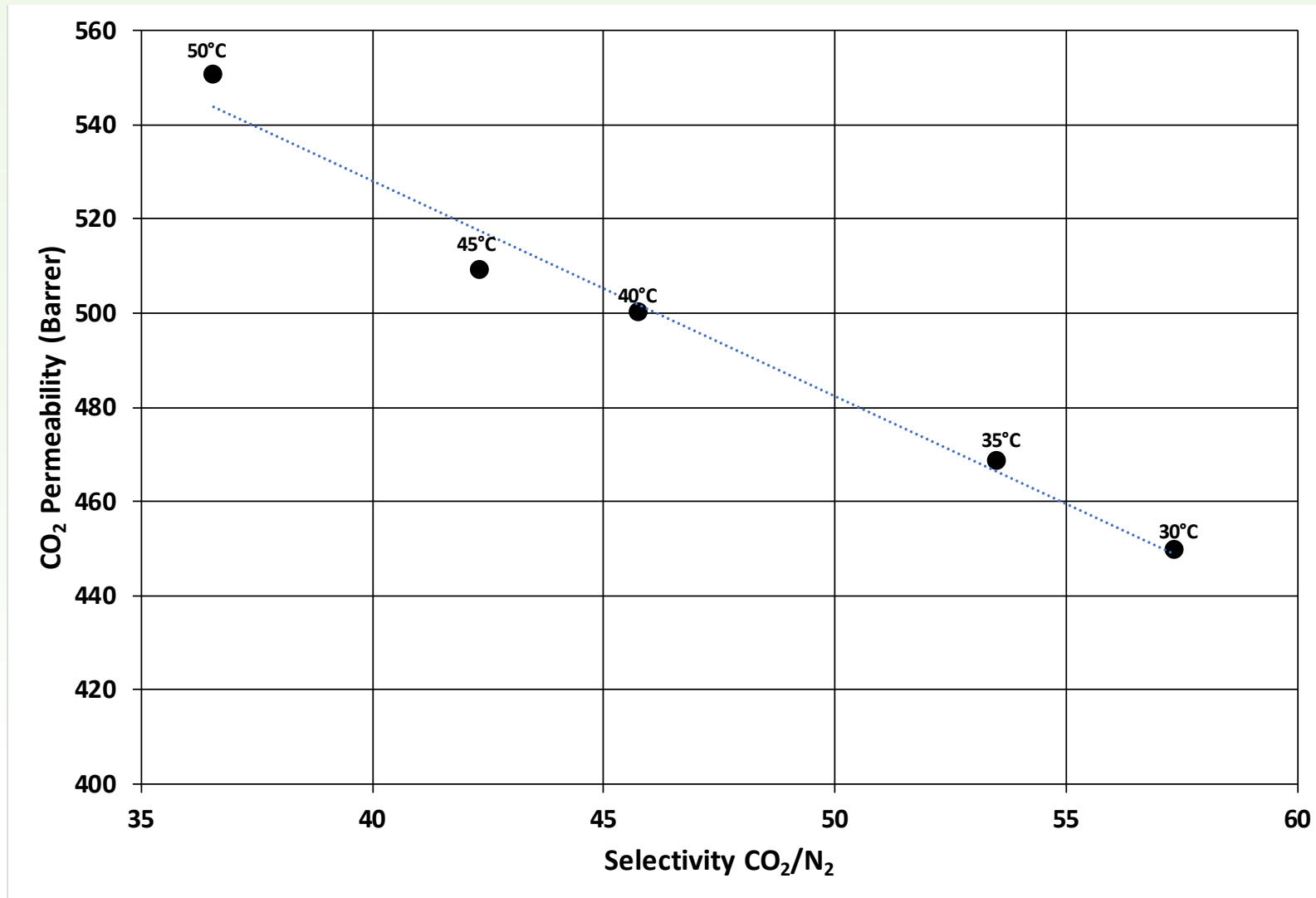
Crosslinking Approach

Fabrication and Testing

Knife Casting on Porous Support



Generation 0 Membrane (Neat Polymer)

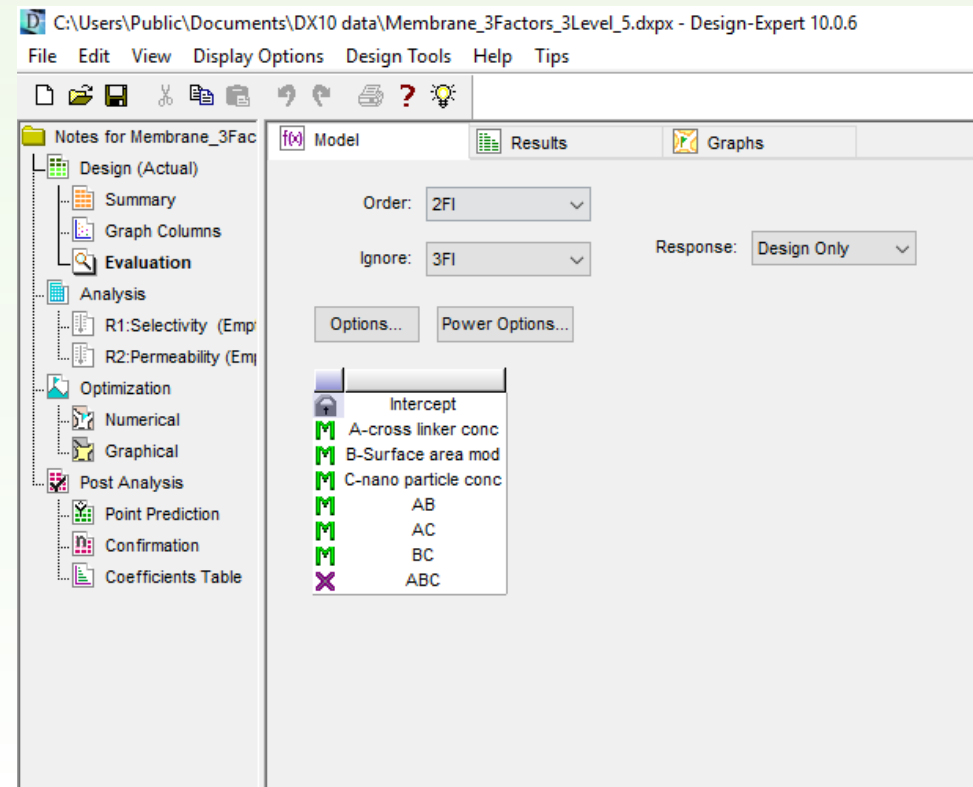


Generation 1 Membrane (Mixed Matrix)

%wt. Loading of Nanoparticles	Characterization	Membrane Results	
		Permeability	Selectivity
30% Unmodified Particles	Non-Homogenous Films	N/A	N/A
10% Modified Particles	SEM, TGA, DSC, Membrane Testing	659	41
20% Modified Particles	Membrane Testing	675-1025	20-33
40% Modified Particles	SEM, TGA, DSC, Membrane testing	1609	44
60% Modified Particles	Membrane testing	250-400	25-30

Design of Experiments Matrix

- Further optimization of membrane composition Design of Experiments
 - Surface modification of the nanoparticles
 - Concentration of nanoparticles
 - Degree of crosslinking
- 30 compositions examined.



Using statistical tools to optimize membrane composition

Next Steps

- Complete optimization of membranes.
- Test membranes in simulated flue gas.
- Fabricate membranes as sub-micron films.
- Complete preliminary economic analysis.

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Questions?