

High Temperature Electrochemistry Center - HiTEC



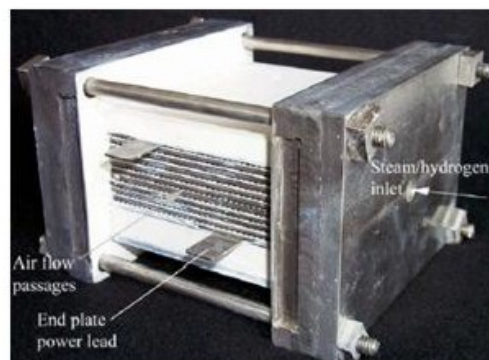
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DG Systems Program Areas (R&D Activity)

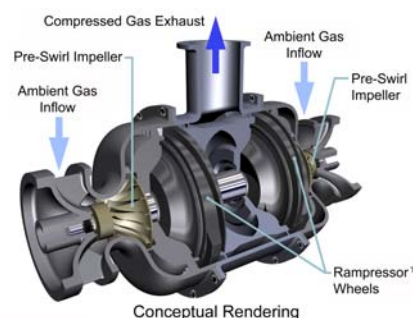
FY05 Budget in Millions



**Advanced Research
\$12.2 High
Temperature
Electrochemistry
Center (HiTEC)**

**Vision 21 Hybrids
\$5.0 (SWPC)**

Innovative Concepts SECA \$54.2



Systems Development \$2.9 (FCE)

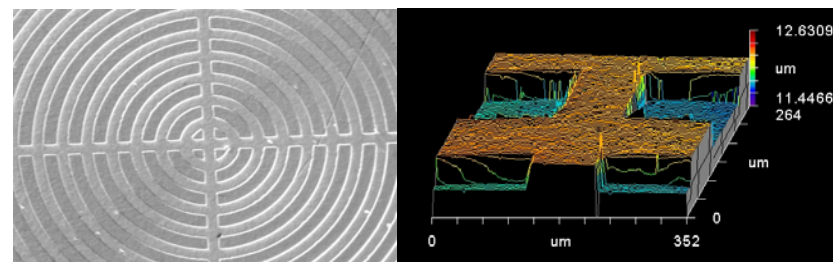
Novel Generation \$3.0 (Ramgen)



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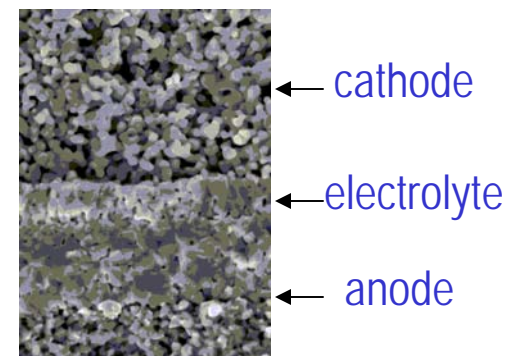
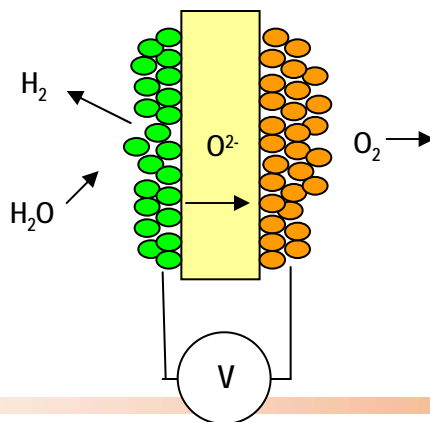
Organization

- ❑ Located at PNNL with Satellite Universities currently at Montana State Universities and University of Florida
- ❑ Funding Agencies: DOE NETL, DOD, NASA, DARPA, ORL, ONR
- ❑ Contractors: University of Utah, Cal Tech, Ion America, TBD
- ❑ Focus to support Energy Security, Hydrogen Economy and FutureGen, DOD and Space Applications



Novel electrode structures allow role of microstructure and catalytic activity to be distinguished.

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HITEC Mission

The mission of HiTEC is:

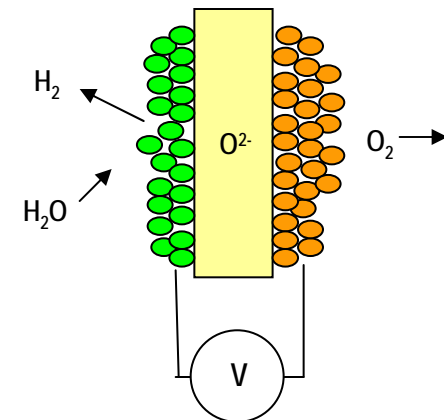
- 1) to advance the solid oxide technology, such as solid oxide, high temperature electrolyzers, reversible fuel cells, energy storage devices, proton conductors, etc., for use in DG and FutureGen applications, and**
- 2) to conduct fundamental research that aids the general development of all solid oxide technology.**



HiTEC Extending Solid Oxide Technology Potential

- **Fuel cells**
 - Proton conductors – cerates and zirconates
 - Next generation higher power density (DoD and NASA)
- **Energy storage devices**
 - Flow batteries
- **Regenerable fuel cells**
 - Strontium titanate working anode
- **Electrolyzers**
 - Elly Zone
 - High efficiency utilizing waste heat
- **Membranes**
 - Hydrogen
 - Oxygen
 - Carbon dioxide
- **Reformers**
- **Thermoelectrics**
- **Sensors**

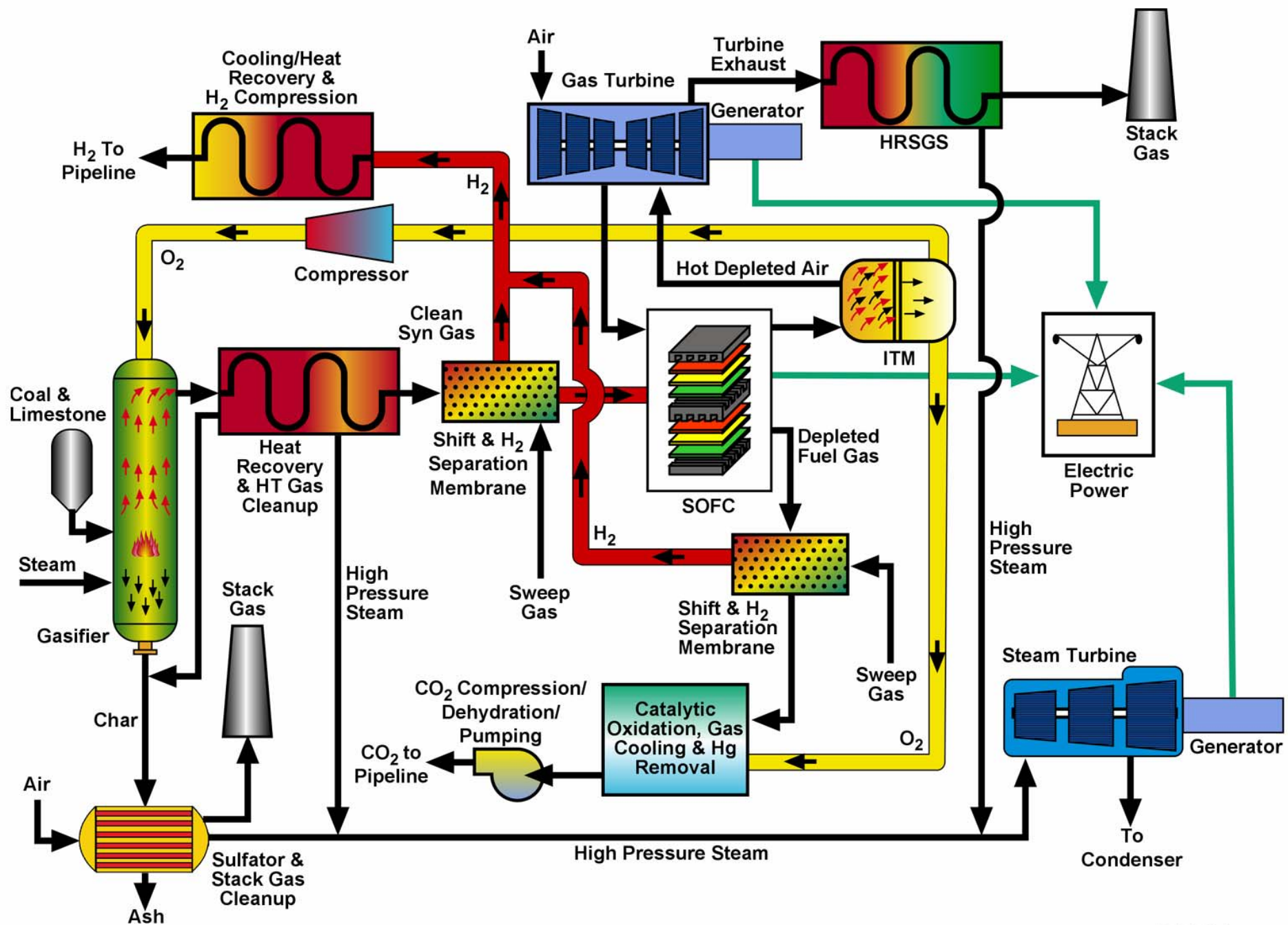
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HiTEC Extending Solid Oxide Technology Applications

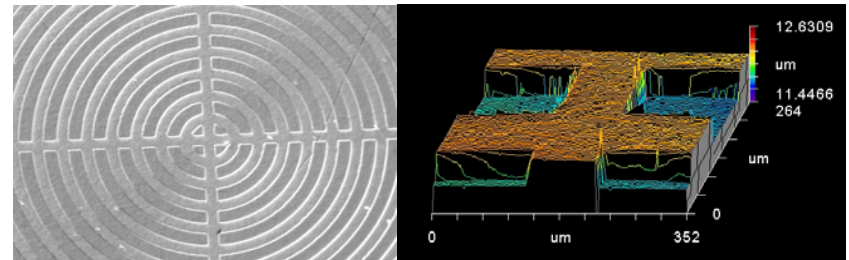
- **Power Generation**
 - DG
 - FutureGen
- **Hydrogen Production**
- **Reformation**
 - Syngas, NG
- **Hydrogen fueling stations**
 - Co-production –H₂, Electricity, Thermal
- **Oxygen Production**
- **Transportation fuel cells**
 - SOFC (baseload) + ICE (peak)





HiTEC Research Areas and Participants

- *Study of Buried Interfaces in Fuel Cell Structures*
(Montana State University)
- *Development of Corrosion-Resistant Layers on SOFC Interconnects*
(Montana State University)
- *Determination of Cathodic Inefficiencies in SOFCs Using Patterned Electrodes*
(University of Utah)
- *Reversible Solid Oxide Fuel Cells*
(PNNL, Ion America)
- *Proton Conductors/Hydrogen Membranes*
(University of Florida, CalTech, PNNL)
- *Atomistic modeling of defects using molecular dynamics*
(University of Florida)



HiTEC Events

- **HiTEC Solicitation**
 - \$2.0MM
 - Awards, September '05
 - Possible topics include: energy storage, electrolyzers, reversible fuel cells, thermoelectrics, and other selected cross-cutting research areas
- **HiTEC Workshop, August '05**
 - Selection of HiTEC Steering Committee
 - DOE, NASA, DARPA, ONR, ORL





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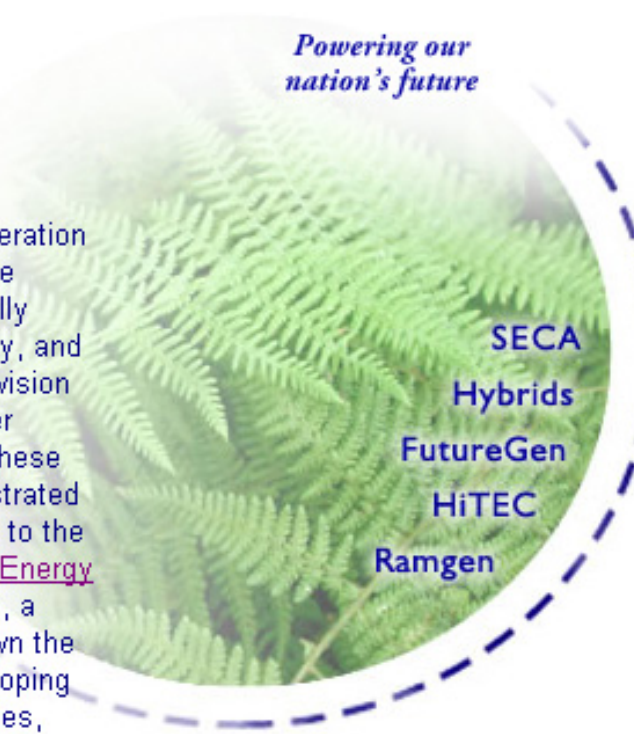
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Distributed Generation

*Powering our
nation's future*

Welcome to NETL's Distributed Generation Webpage. Our vision is to develop the ultimate power system with essentially zero emissions, the highest efficiency, and overall lowest cost. We achieve this vision through developing fuel cell, and other distributed generation, technology. These technologies, developed and demonstrated on today's fuels, will provide a bridge to the hydrogen economy. The [Solid State Energy Conversion Alliance \(SECA\)](#) program, a pivotal program designed to drive down the cost of solid oxide fuel cells by developing new high-tech materials and processes,

will enable low cost energy technology that reduces our nation's dependence on imported oil, mitigates environmental concerns with electricity production, and provides for clean efficient power with the fuels of today and the hydrogen of tomorrow. For more information about the Distributed Generation program, see the [Overview](#).



<http://www.netl.doe.gov/dgfuelcells>

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Program Area: DG 10



Electrode Development For Reversible Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

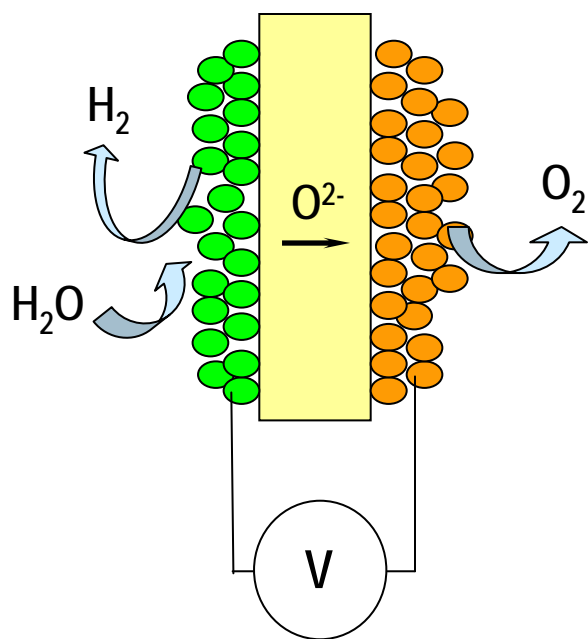
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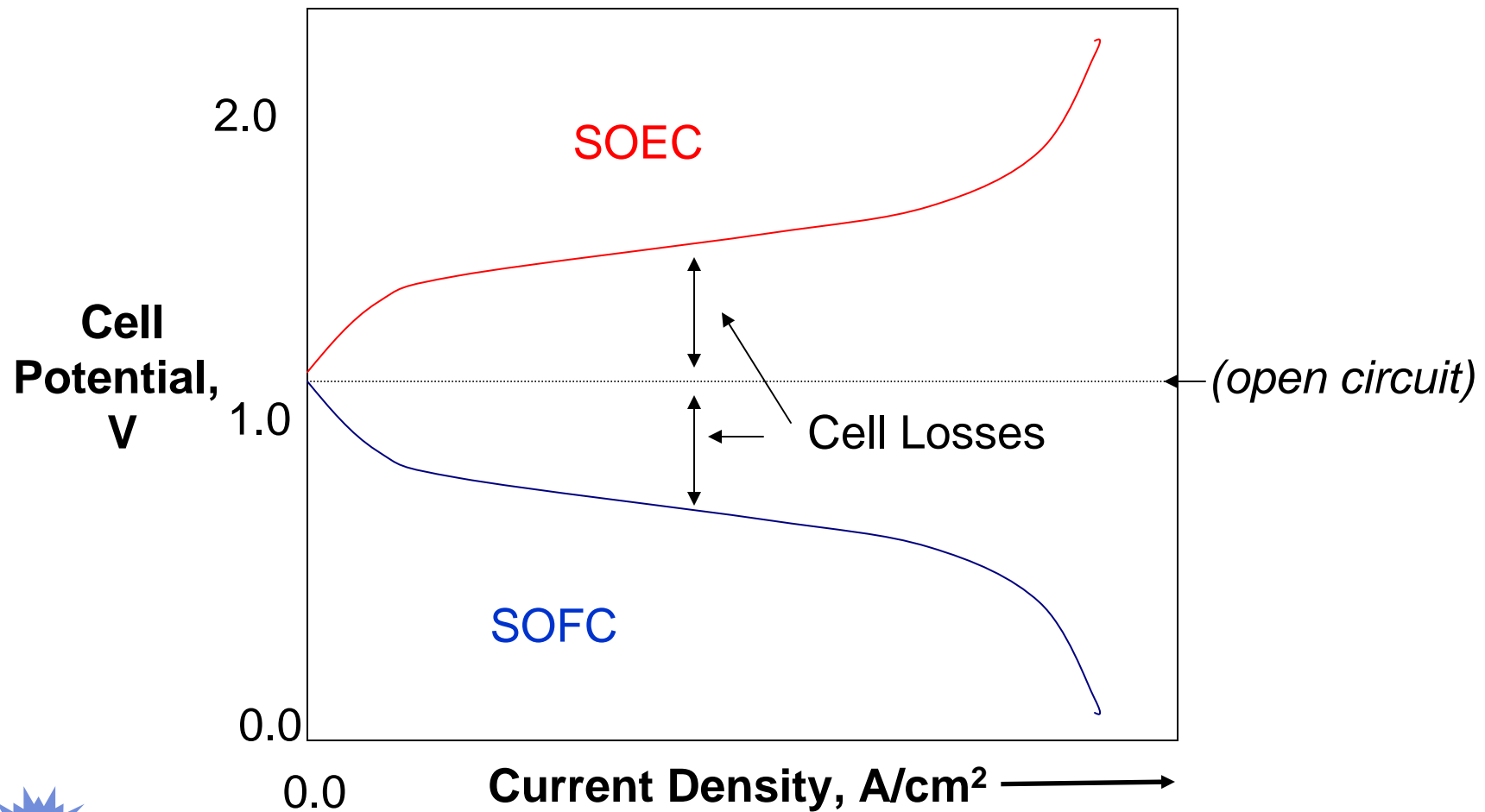


Steam Electrolysis in a Reversible SOFC, or “SOFC/SOEC”



- A “reversible” solid oxide fuel cell could produce hydrogen from water during periods of excess grid capacity, and produce electricity later from the stored hydrogen.
- High temperature steam electrolysis potentially more efficient than liquid water electrolysis at low temperature.
- Potential cost advantages in combining functions in single device versus separate electrolyzer and fuel cell.
- Barriers include electrode losses, stability, heat integration, hydrogen storage.

Schematic Current-Voltage Characteristics for SOFC/SOEC



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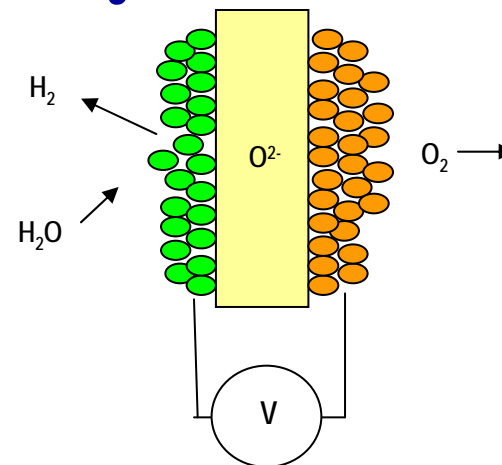
FY2005 Key Advanced Research Project Milestones

- **Description of Impact**

- Investigate interconnect coatings/materials.
- Develop Reversible SOFCs.
- Solicitation for additional universities
12-15 awards (\$2.25MM)

- **Benefit to Product Area**

- Advance high temperature solid oxide electrochemical technologies, such as solid oxide, high temperature electrolyzers, reversible fuel cells, energy storage devices, proton conductors, etc., for use in DG and FutureGen applications, and to conduct fundamental research that aids the general development of all solid oxide technology.



Participant or Team	Place of Event	Milestone Date
PNNL	Richland, WA	FY05 by 4 th Qtr
Montana State	Bozeman, MT	FY05 by 4 th Qtr
Univ. Utah	Salt Lake City, UT	FY05 by 4 th Qtr
Ion America	Moffett Field, CA	FY05 by 4 th Qtr
Univ. Florida	Gainesville, FL	FY05 by 4 th Qtr
Cal Tech	Pasadena, CA	FY05 by 4 th Qtr
HiTEC Solicitation	NETL	FY05 by 4 th Qtr



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