

# **Radically Engineered Modular Air Separation System with Tailored Oxygen Sorbents**

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# Outline

- **Project Description and Objectives**
- Project Update
- Preparing Project for Next Steps
- Concluding Remarks

## Project Objectives

- Develop radically engineered modular air separation system (REM-ASU) for small-scale coal gasifiers (1-5 MW)
- Achieve air separation under a cyclic redox scheme using advanced mixed-oxide based oxygen sorbents (OS)
- Reduce 30% energy consumption for air separation using REM-ASU compared to state-of-the-art cryogenic air separation process
- **Demonstrate the modular air separation technology to achieve the DOE goal to support the oxidant feed of an oxygen-blown REMS gasifier scaled to a range of 1 to 5 MW**

## Technology benchmarking

	Cryogenic	Chemical Looping (Ideal)	REMS Process Model
Status	mature	developing	Developing
Economic range (sTPD)	>20	Undetermined	Undetermined
Energy consumption (MJ/kg O <sub>2</sub> )	0.791	~0.2*	<0.54
Thermodynamic efficiency (%)	25%	>75%	>36%
Oxygen purity (%)	99+	99+	99+
By product capability	Excellent	Poor	Poor

***Chemical looping air separation has the potential to be highly energy efficient***

\* Process analysis with idealized assumptions by Moghtaderi, et al. Energy Fuels, 2010, 24, 190–198.

## Status of Project

### Status at beginning of project:

- Developed (high temperature) oxygen sorbents (OSs) with high oxygen capacity and reaction kinetics, tested in a thermogravimetric analyzer (TGA)
- Preliminary process analysis.

### Current status of project:

- Developed and demonstrated both “high temperature” ( $>750\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and “low temperature” OSs ( $400 - 600\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).
- Scalable production of oxygen sorbents: produced five, 1 kg/batch OS. Performed extensive sorbent testing.
- Performed computational screening for sorbent optimization.
- Developed a preliminary REM-ASU design with energy consumption of 0.23-0.54 MJ/kg  $\text{O}_2$ , **32-70% less comparing to benchmark cryogenic air separation.**
- 10,000 cycles with  $<3\%$  degradation, optimized operating conditions for  $>95\%$  oxygen purity, developed a high-fidelity ASU model for system optimization.

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## Journal Publications

- Wang, Xijun, et al. "Net Electronic Charge as an Effective Electronic Descriptor for Oxygen Release and Transport Properties of SrFeO<sub>3</sub>-Based Oxygen Sorbents." *Chemistry of Materials*, 2021, 33, 7, 2446–2456.
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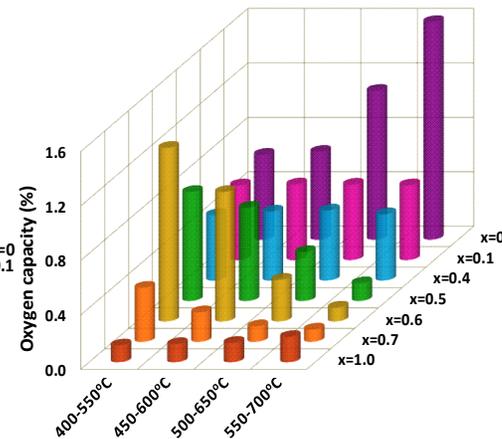
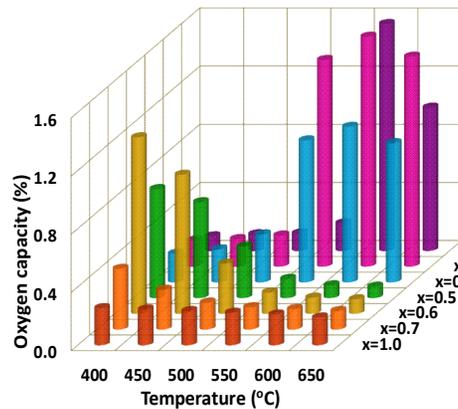
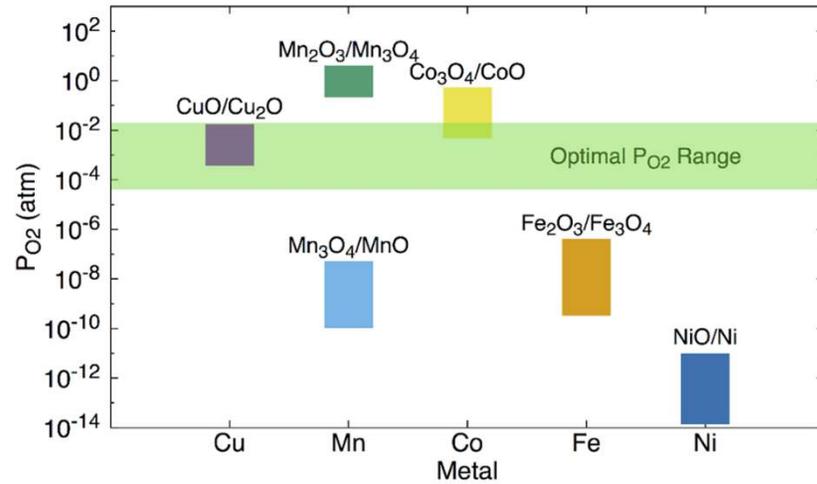
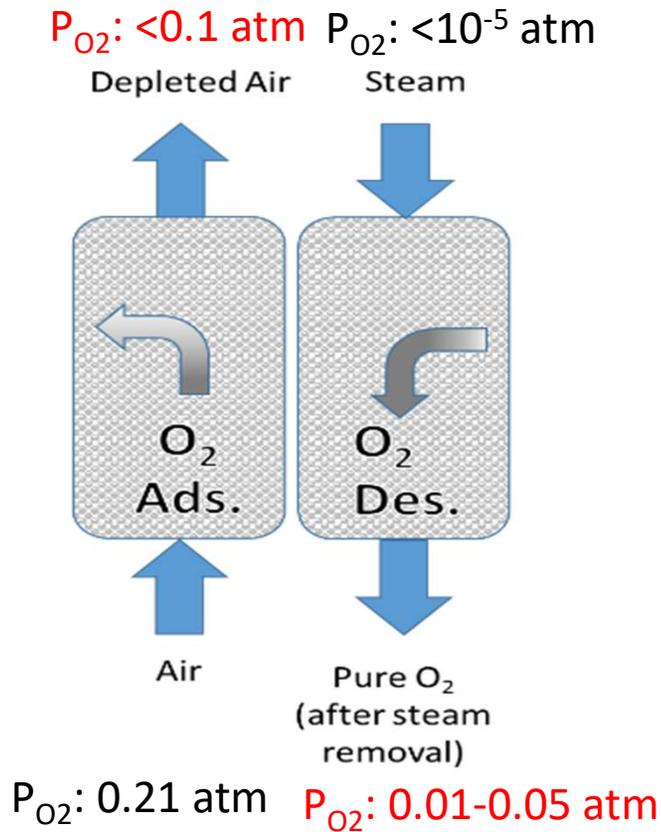
## Conference Presentations

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- Jian Dou, Emily Krzystowczyk, Amit Mishra, and Fanxing Li\*. *Radically Engineered Modular Air Separation System with Tailored Oxygen Sorbents*. DOE meeting, Washington DC, 2018
- Jian Dou, Emily Krzystowczyk, Amit Mishra, Xingbo Liu, and Fanxing Li\*. *Perovskite Promoted Mixed Co-Fe Oxides for Enhanced Chemical Looping Air Separation*. ACS meeting, Orlando, 2019

# Gantt Chart

Task	Milestone	Milestone $\diamond$ (Expected completion date) ( $\diamond$ Go/No Go)	Start Date	End Date	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12
1			1/1/2018	2/15/2018												
	1.1	Modify PMP (2/15/2018)			$\diamond$											
	1.2	Kickoff meeting (2/15/2018)			$\diamond$											
2			1/1/2018	9/30/2018												
	2.1	Oxygen sorbent synthesis and testing (6/30/2018)				$\diamond$										
	2.2	Oxygen sorbent characterization (9/30/2018)					$\diamond$									
3			4/1/2018	12/31/2018												
	3.1	Dopant effect quantification (12/31/2018)						$\diamond$								
	3.2	Composite effect quantification (12/31/2018)						$\diamond$								
4			7/1/2018	3/31/2019												
	4.1	Oxygen sorbent activity screening (12/31/2018) (Go/No Go)						$\diamond$								
	4.2	Oxygen sorbent stability screening (3/31/2018)							$\diamond$							
5			1/1/2019	9/30/2019												
	5.1	Oxygen sorbent stability demonstration (6/30/2019)								$\diamond$						
	5.2	Oxygen sorbent fixed bed characterization (9/30/2019)									$\diamond$					
6	6.1	Preliminary REM-ASU design (12/31/2019) (Go/No Go)	4/1/2019	12/31/2019									$\diamond$			
7	7.1	Synthesis scale up (3/31/2020)	10/1/2019	3/31/2020												
8	8.1	Pilot Scale REM-ASU demonstration (9/30/2020) (Deliverable)	10/1/2019	9/30/2020												
9			4/1/2020	12/31/2020												
	9.1	Construct techno-economic model (9/30/2020)													$\diamond$	
	9.2	Techno-economic report (12/31/2020)														$\diamond$

# Oxygen Sorbent Development: Challenges and Opportunities



Mixed oxides are necessary in order to match  $P_{O_2}$  of oxygen carriers with air separation conditions. Year 1 and Year 2 have resulted in promising mixed oxide sorbents suitable for different temperature ranges.

## Milestone 7.1 (Q9) Scale-up Synthesis of OS

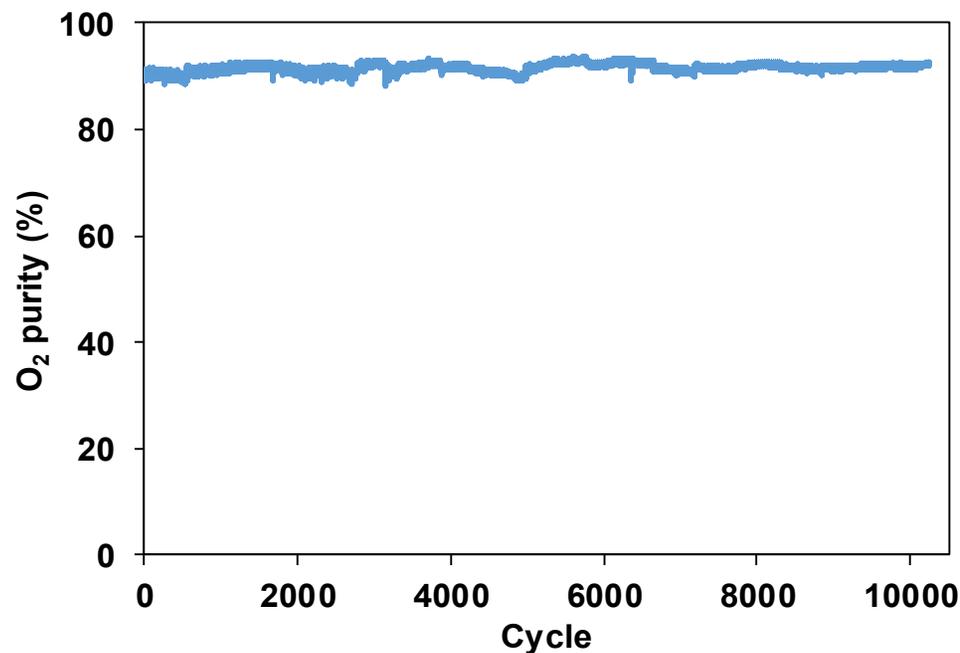
*M3.1: Synthesize two 25 kg batch OS*



- Sol-gel synthesis performed in-house by Thermosolv in 1 kg batches
- Multi-batch approach to produce 25 kg sorbents
- **Five** different compositions were prepared/tested.

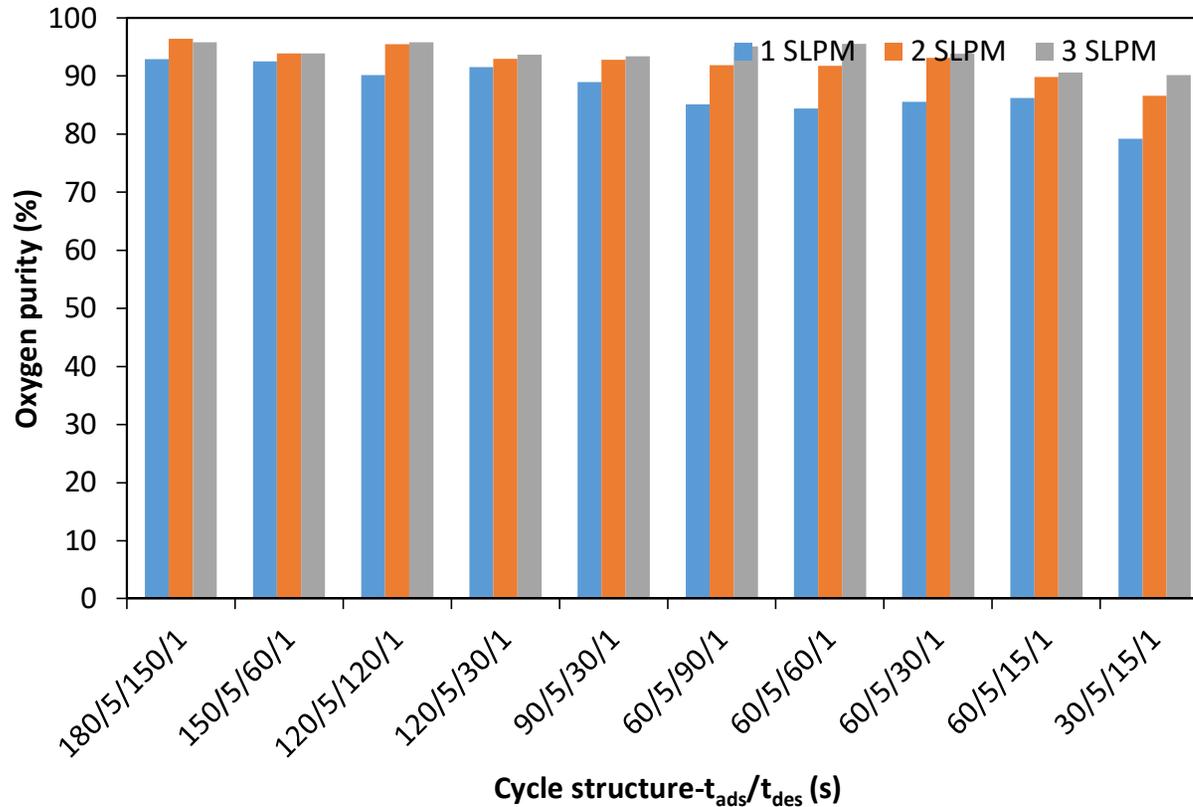
## Milestone 8.1 (Q11) Sorbent Stability

*M3.2 Produce >95% pure O<sub>2</sub> over 2000 cycles with less than 10% decrease in oxygen capacity*



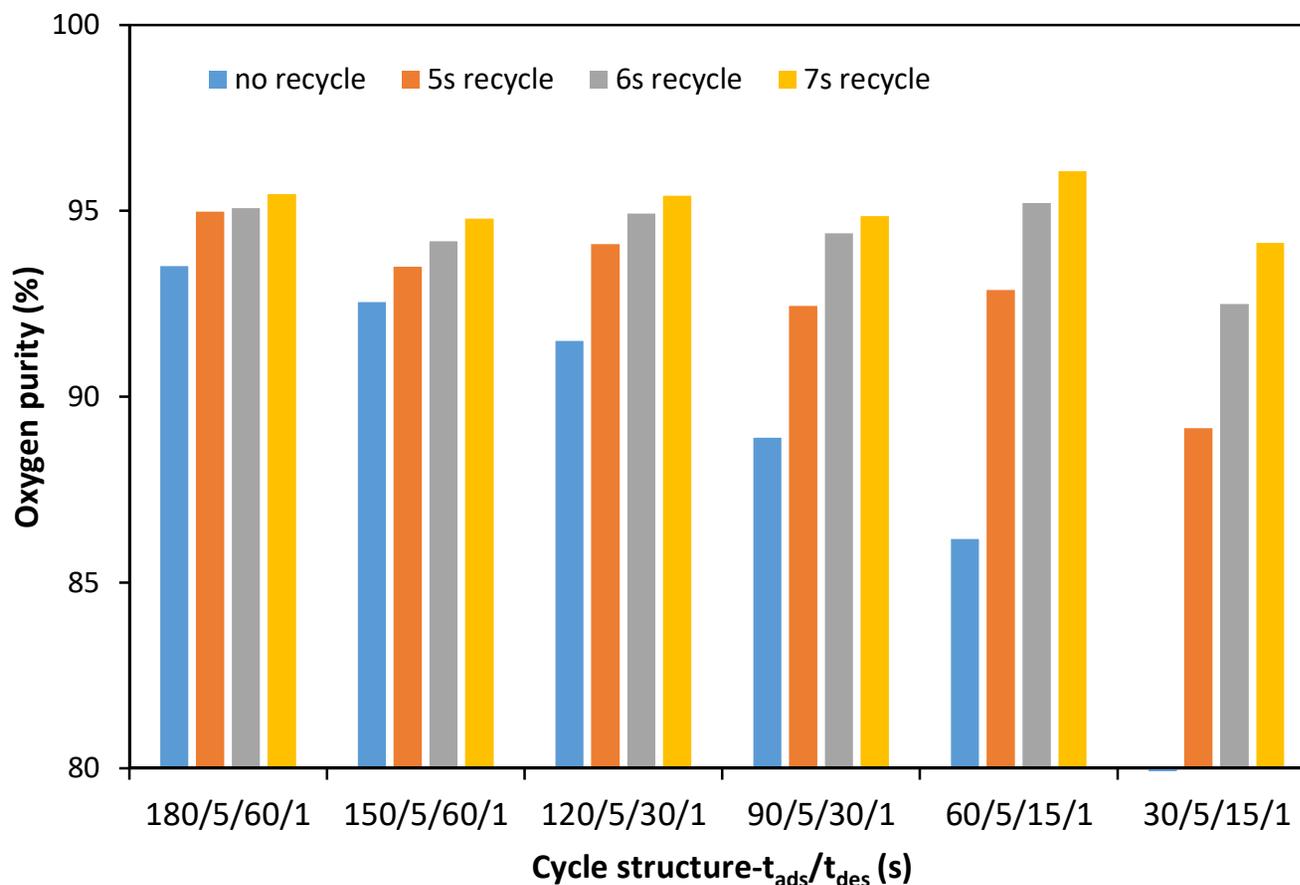
SCFC8246 is stable for 10,000 cycles oxygen production at 25 psig and 600 °C with cycle structure of 90s/5s/60s/1s

## Effect of Flow Rate on Oxygen Productivity



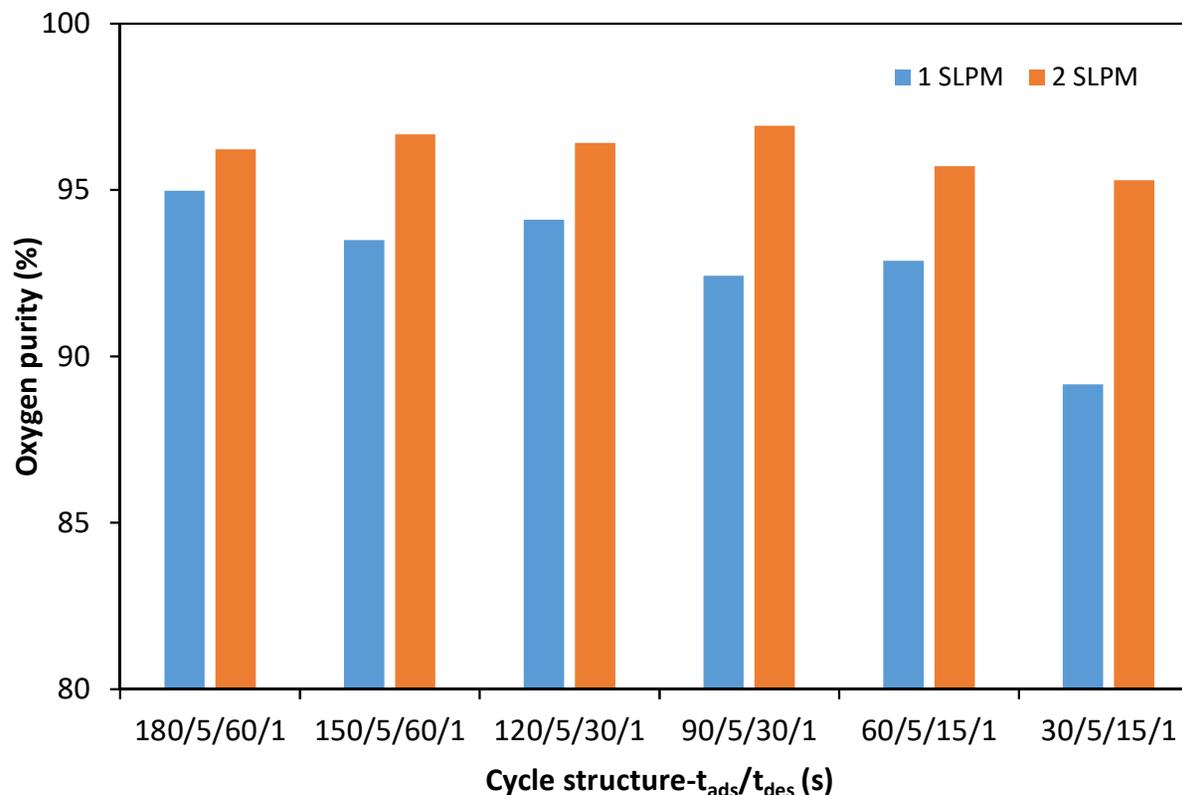
Oxygen purity increased to >95% with 3 SLPM air flow rate at 25 psi and 600 °C for SCFC8291 OS

## Effect of Oxygen Recycle



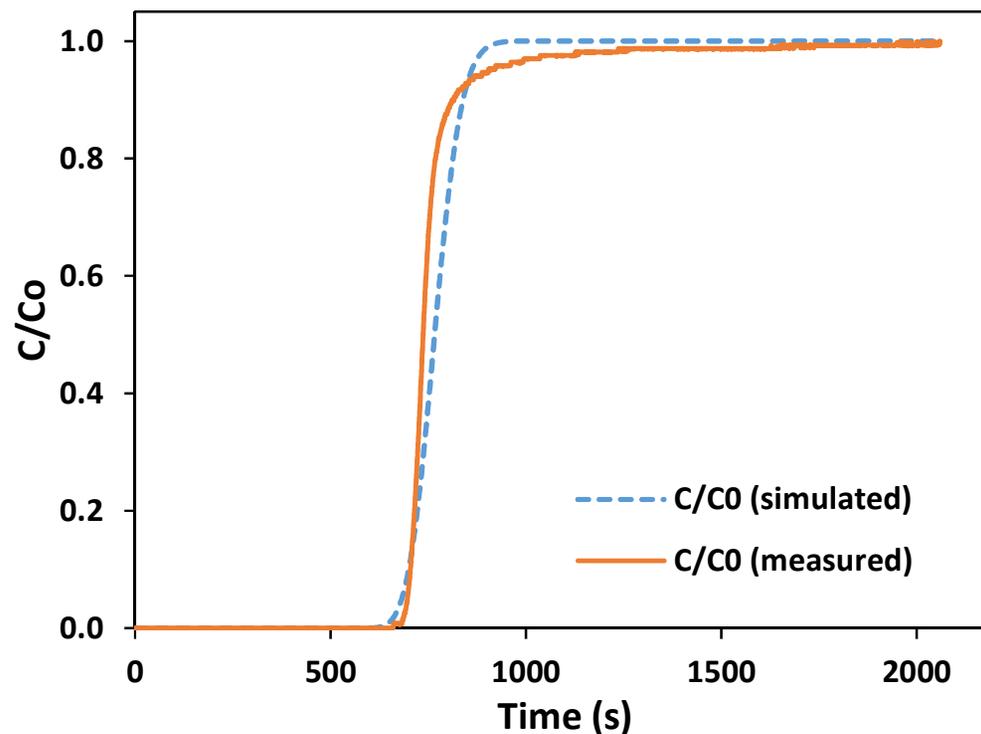
Recycle of oxygen for purging increases purity >95% at 25 psi, 600 °C and 1 SLPM for SCFC8291 sorbent

## Effect of flow rate and oxygen recycle



Oxygen with >95% purity obtained with 2 SLPM air flow rate and 5 s cycle of oxygen stream at 25 psi and 600 °C for SCFC8291

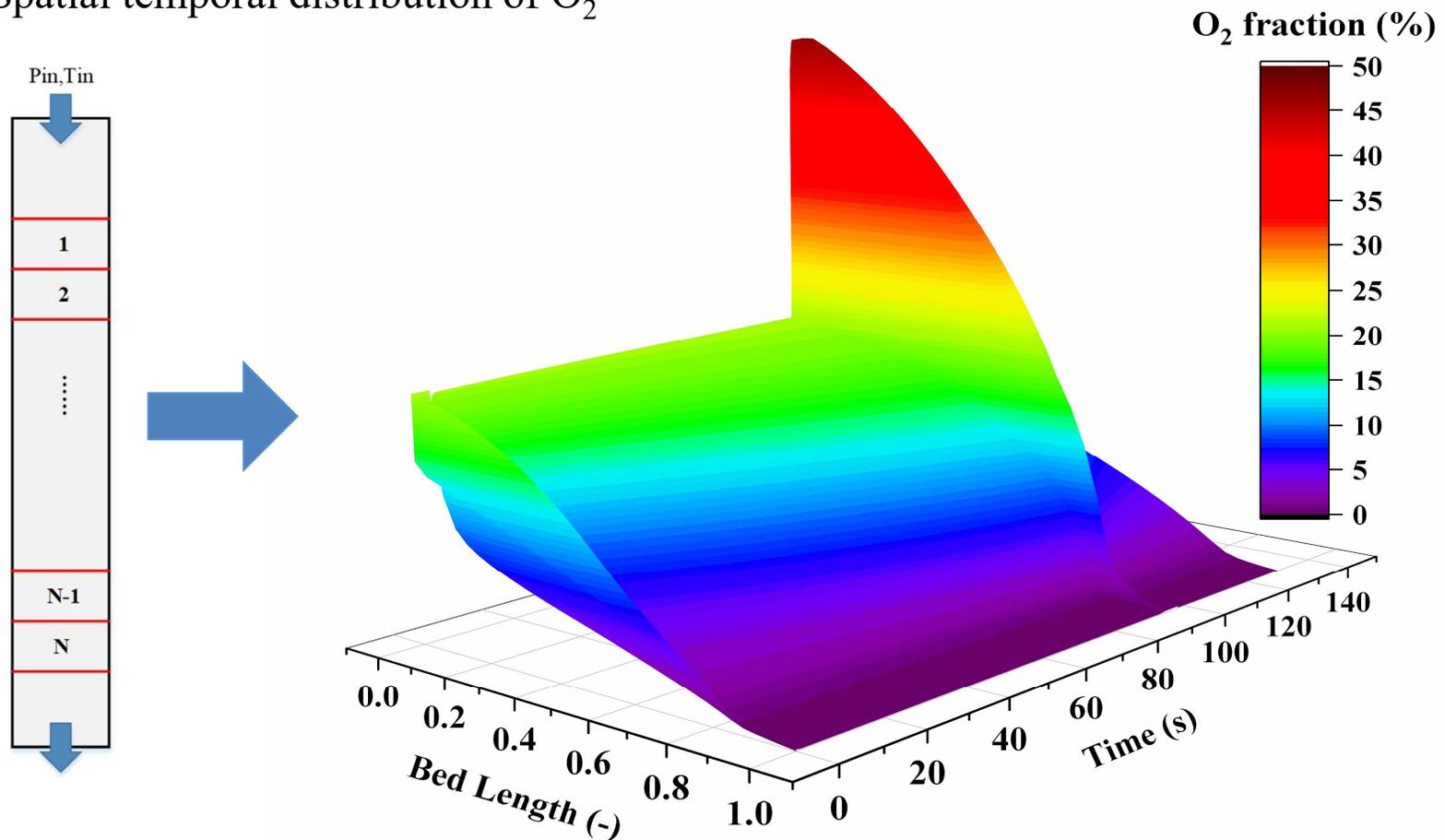
## Breakthrough curve of SCFC8291 and data fitting



Best fitting of breakthrough curve for SCFC8291 at 20 psi and 600°C with Péclet number of 400

## Detailed One Dimensional Absorber Modeling

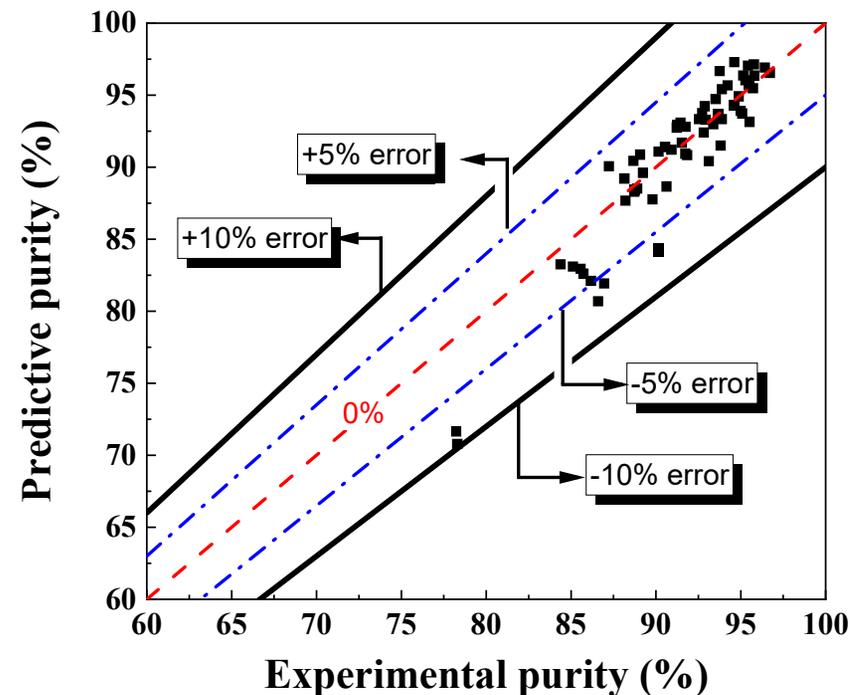
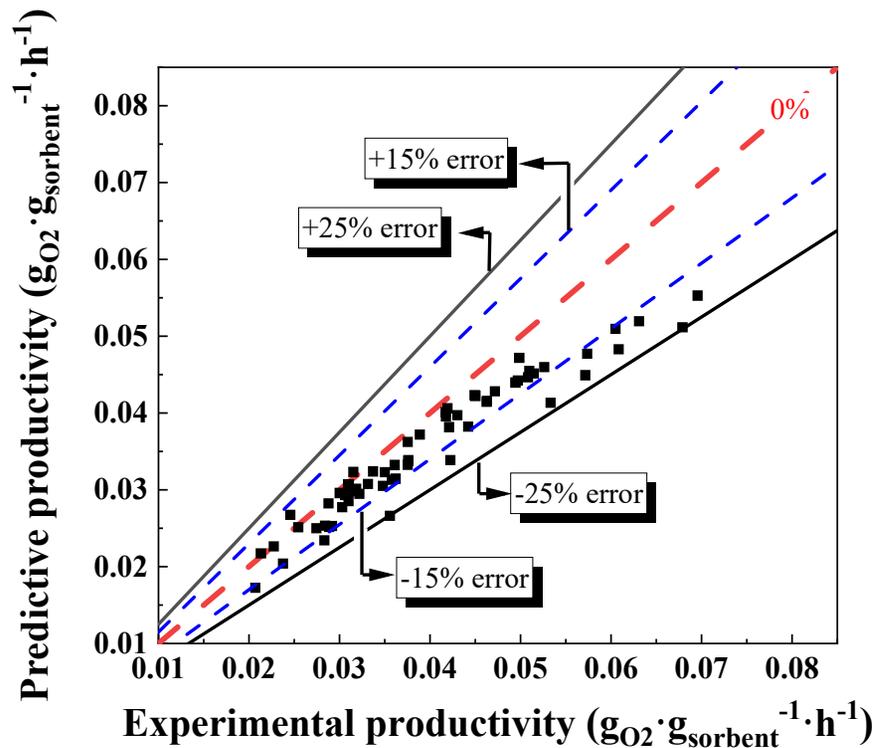
- Spatial temporal distribution of  $O_2$



- 4-step configuration:  
Pressurization (4s); Adsorption (90s); Depressurization (5s); Desorption (30s)

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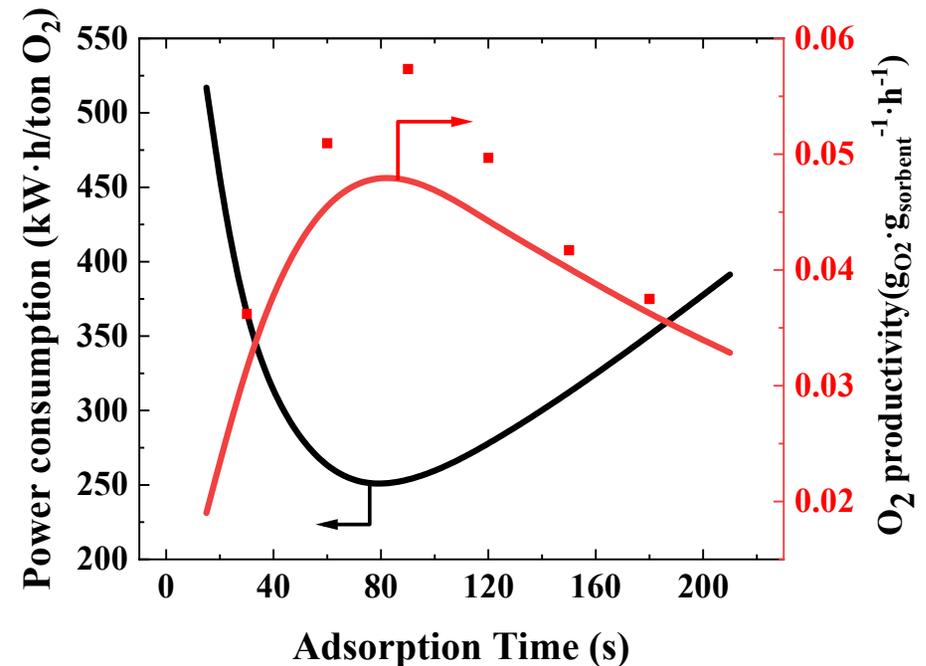
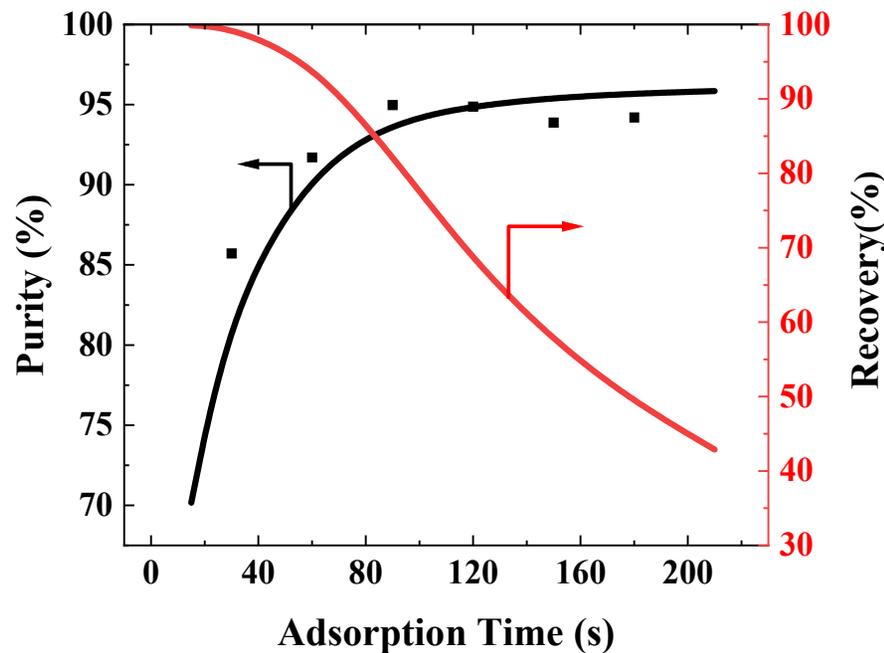
- Model validation



- $\text{O}_2$  productivity: 80% data within  $\pm 15\%$  error; 100% data within  $\pm 25\%$  error
- $\text{O}_2$  purity: 90% data within  $\pm 5\%$  error; 100% data within  $\pm 10\%$  error

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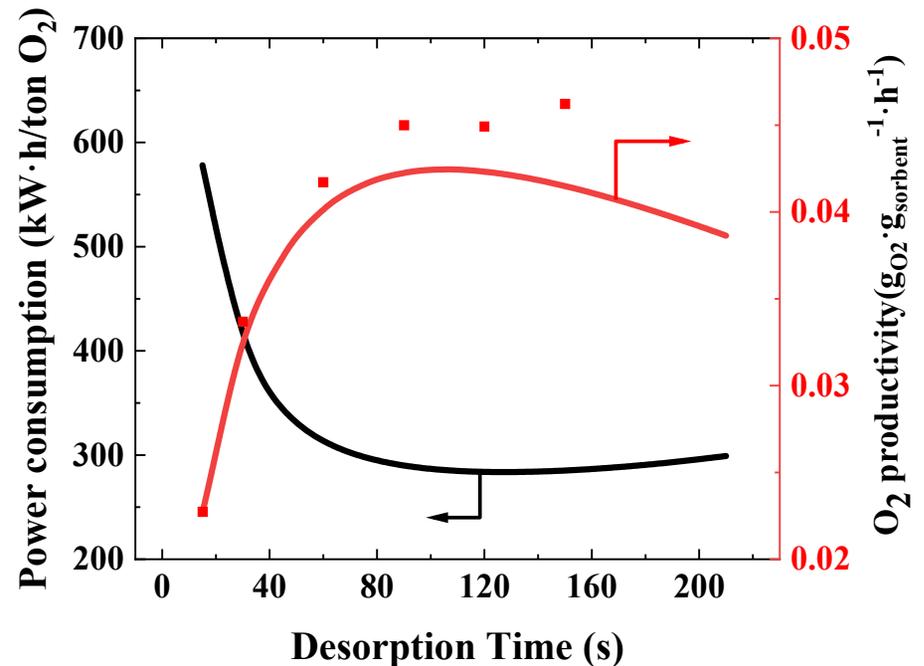
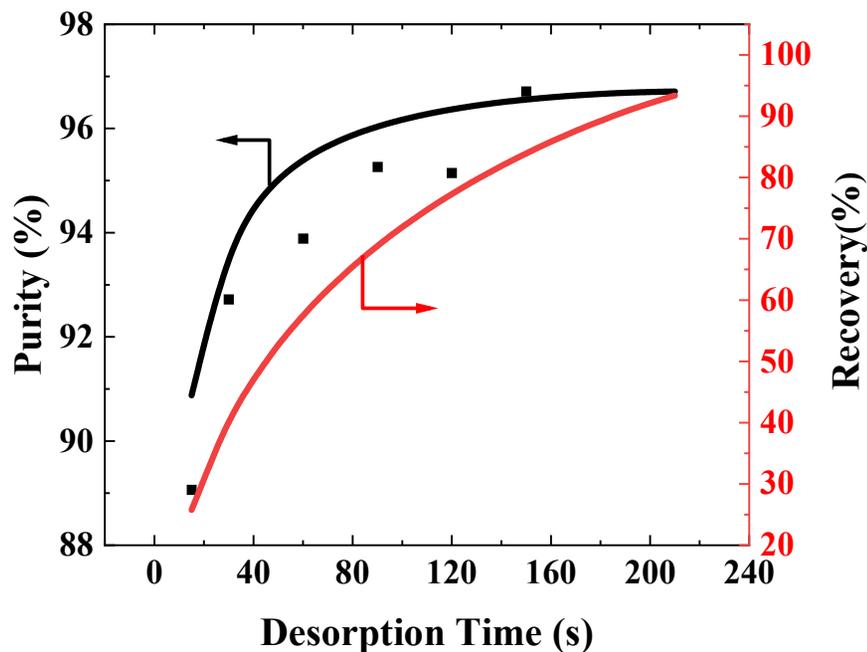
- Modeling results



- $t_{de}=60s$ ,  $Q_{air}=2SLM$ ,  $m_{steam}=0.1$  mol/s:
- O<sub>2</sub> productivity and Power consumption: a peak value;
- Purity increases and recovery decreases
- Optimal cycle structure

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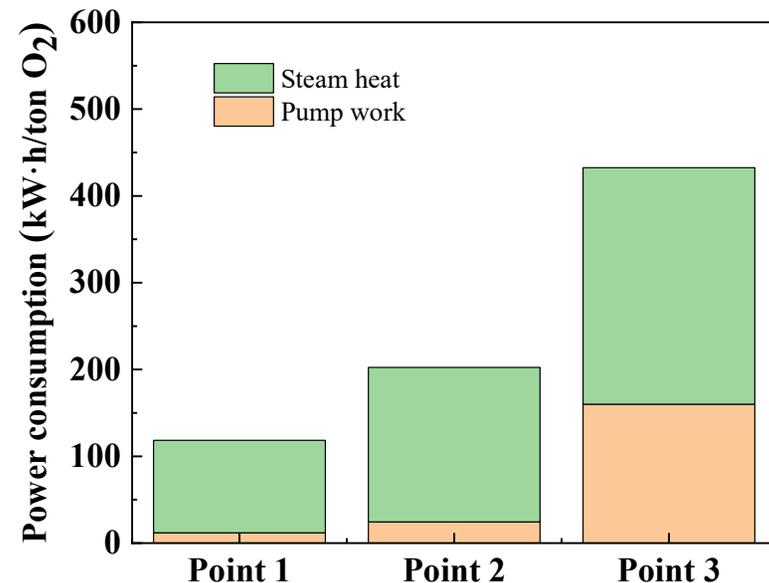
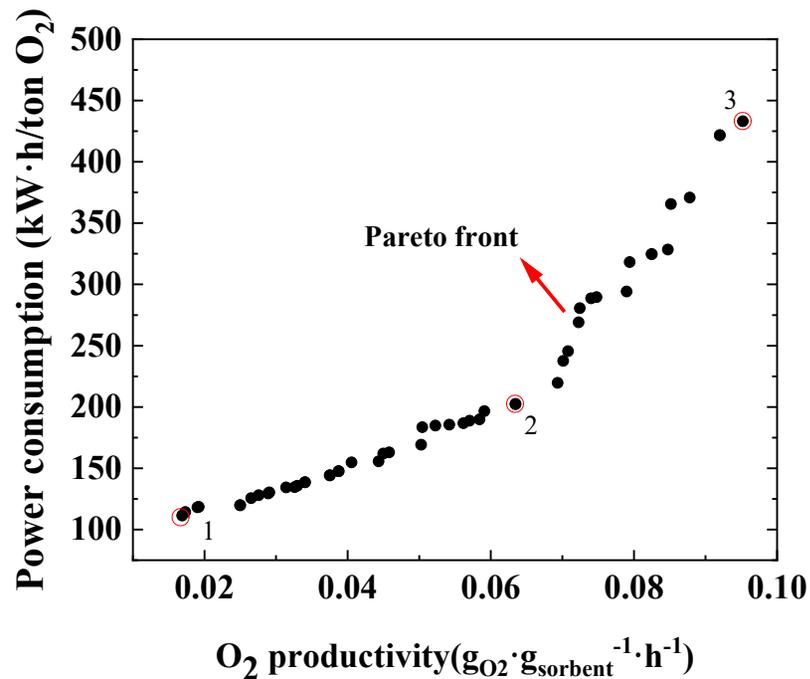
- Modeling results



- $t_{ad}=150s$ ,  $Q_{air}=2SLM$ ,  $m_{steam}=0.1$  mol/s:
- O<sub>2</sub> productivity and Power consumption: a peak value;
- Purity and recovery increase with desorption time
- Optimal cycle structure

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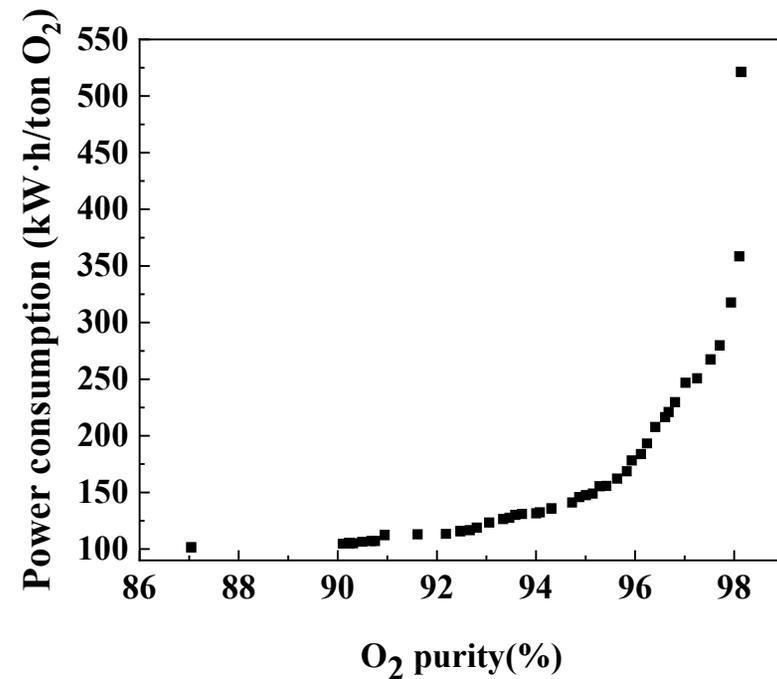
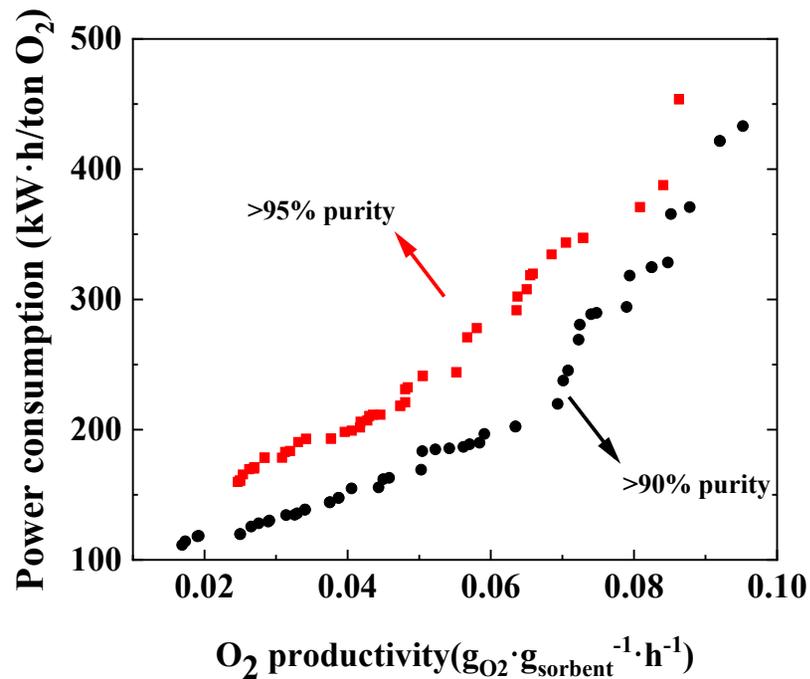
- Optimization



- Power-productivity Pareto front
- Pump compression is highly energy consuming, but preferable for high productivity

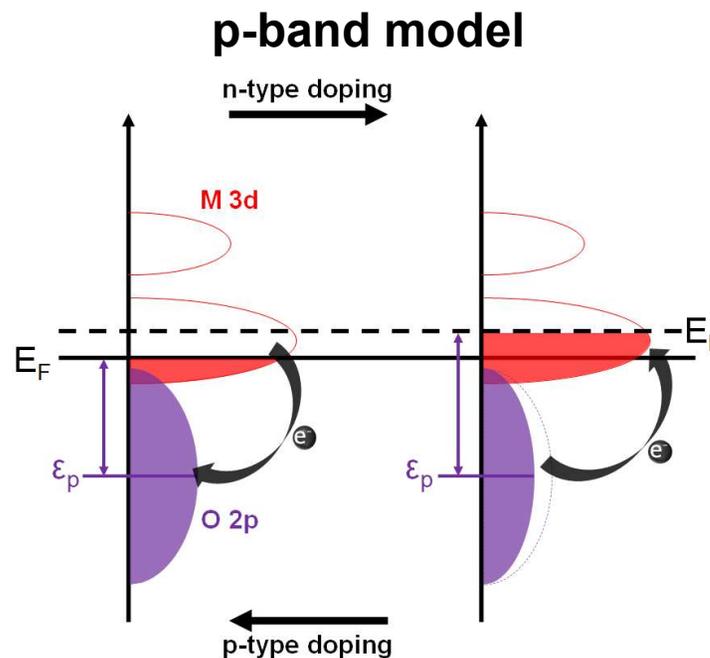
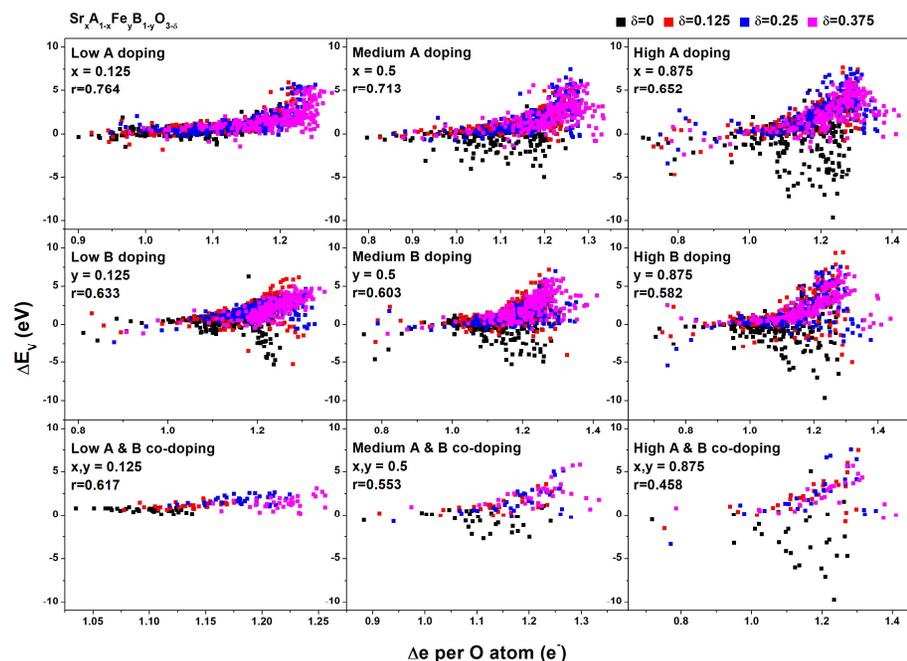
## Detailed One Dimensional Absorber Modeling

- Optimization



- Higher purity requires higher power consumption
- Minimum power consumption for 95% purity: 150 kW·h/ ton O<sub>2</sub>
- Reduce the dead volume will lead to higher purity with low energy consumption

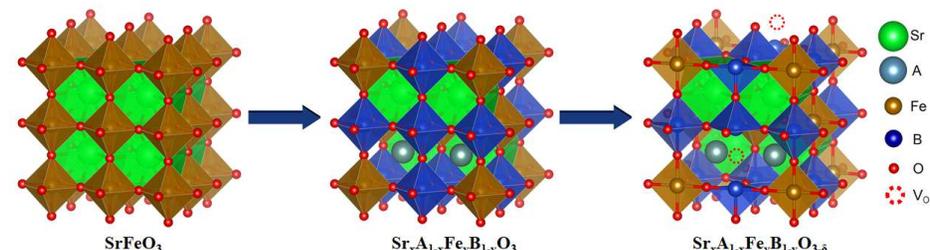
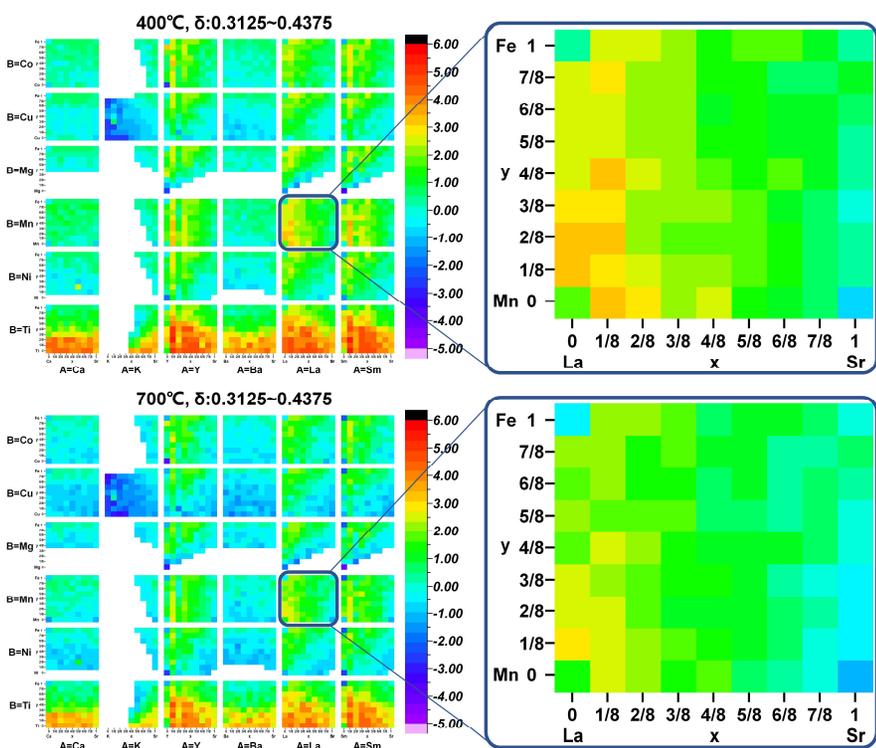
# Theoretical understanding of dopant effects for SrFeO<sub>3</sub> based sorbents



In most cases,

- n-type doping (larger  $\Delta\epsilon$ ) → Up-shifting of  $E_F$  → More negative  $\epsilon_p$  → O anion less active → Higher  $\Delta H$  ( $\Delta G$ )
- p-type doping (smaller  $\Delta\epsilon$ ) → Down-shifting of  $E_F$  → More positive  $\epsilon_p$  → O anion more active → Lower  $\Delta H$  ( $\Delta G$ )

# Optimization of Oxygen Sorbent DFT based high-throughput screening of SrFeO<sub>3</sub>-based oxygen sorbents

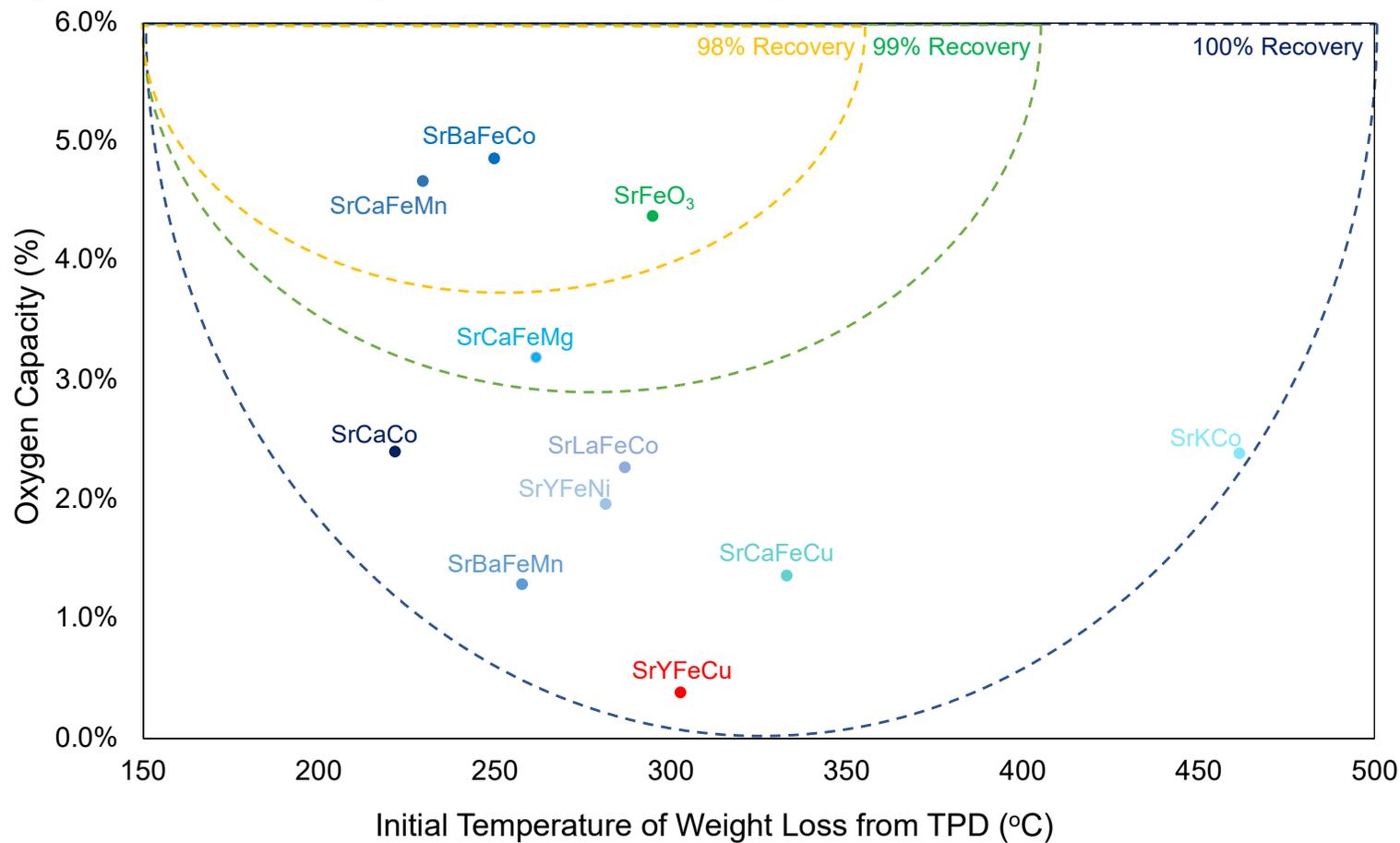


The Gibbs free energies of vacancy formation of 2401 Sr<sub>x</sub>A<sub>1-x</sub>Fe<sub>y</sub>B<sub>1-y</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (A=Sr, Ca, K, Y, Ba, La, Sm; B=Fe, Co, Cu, Mn, Mg, Ni, Ti) candidates were computed, and the ones with suitable  $\Delta G$  were screened for experimental verification.

$\delta$	$\Delta G$ (T = 400 °C)			$\Delta G$ (T = 700 °C)			Overlap (T=400 and 700°C)	$\Delta G$ (T = 400 °C)			$\Delta G$ (T = 700 °C)		
	0.25-0.375	0.375-0.5	0.5125-0.4375	0.25-0.375	0.375-0.5	0.5125-0.4375		0.25-0.375	0.375-0.5	0.5125-0.4375	0.25-0.375	0.375-0.5	0.5125-0.4375
SrFeCo-1-0.875-0.125	0.48271	0.33693	0.40982	-0.03574	0.28383	0.12405	SrCaFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.25-0.75	0.35706	0.52131	0.43919	0.03505	0.27756	0.15611
BaFeTi-1-0.875-0.125	0.5933	0.36382	0.47856	0.49613	0.08819	0.29216	SrCaFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.375-0.625	0.2352	0.56594	0.39957	0.01947	0.34438	0.16255
CaFeCo-1-0.5-0.5	0.08972	0.56377	0.32674	-0.03696	0.33952	0.15128	SrCaFeNi-0.125-0.875-0.25-0.75	0.06578	0.18893	0.17286	-0.05503	-0.2182	-0.13421
CaFeMn-1-0.625-0.375	0.50979	0.4405	0.48314	0.30081	0.15275	0.22678	SrCaFeNi-0.25-0.75-0.75-0.25	-0.01217	0.10001	0.04392	-0.10069	-0.15425	-0.12747
LaCu-1-1	0.51644	0.3715	0.47657	0.07186	0.07078	0.07332	SrCaFeNi-0.625-0.375-0.625-0.375	0.11889	0.2378	0.17754	-0.04446	-0.19482	-0.11964
SrBaFe-0.125-0.875-1	0.53478	0.10298	0.21888	0.28772	-0.17794	0.05489	SrCaMn-0.5-0.5-1	0.24631	0.17118	0.20874	0.04433	-0.1354	-0.08987
SrBaFeCo-0.125-0.875-0.375-0.625	0.14835	0.0959	0.12213	-0.19153	-0.17867	0.19279	SrCaMn-0.875-0.125-1	0.26709	0.12885	0.19797	-0.11171	-0.16091	-0.13631
SrBaFeCo-0.25-0.75-0.625-0.375	0.38633	0.32112	0.35373	0.23514	0.00333	0.11923	SrFeCo-1-0.375-0.625	0.12955	0.41986	0.27471	-0.11361	0.15769	0.02204
SrBaFeCo-0.5-0.5-0.5-0.5	0.30449	0.59474	0.44961	0.09269	0.2085	0.15959	SrFeCo-1-0.625-0.375	0.19303	0.41837	0.3057	0.07862	0.114	0.06631
SrBaFeCo-0.625-0.375-0.5-0.5	0.03721	0.13755	0.08738	-0.18969	-0.17432	-0.182	SrFeCu-1-0.75-0.25	0.30731	0.41729	0.3623	0.07264	0.10023	0.09093
SrBaFeCo-0.75-0.25-0.5-0.5	0.23642	0.27035	0.25339	0.02808	-0.11008	-0.041	SrFeMn-1-0.25-0.75	0.13157	0.28482	0.2082	-0.16544	-0.03328	-0.06613
SrBaFeCo-0.75-0.25-0.75-0.25	0.28408	0.16514	0.22461	0.05287	-0.16683	-0.05698	SrFeMn-1-0.375-0.625	0.00106	0.05198	0.02652	-0.20494	-0.21165	-0.20829
SrBaFeCo-0.875-0.125-0.375-0.625	0.16511	0.52432	0.34472	-0.05709	0.20553	0.10322	SrFeMn-1-0.5-0.5	0.52152	0.21742	0.36947	0.29186	-0.02942	0.13122
SrBaFeCo-0.875-0.125-0.5-0.5	0.03535	0.12663	0.09009	-0.21381	-0.09067	-0.11224	SrFeMn-1-0.625-0.375	0.53178	0.15933	0.31655	0.35306	-0.04884	0.15461
SrBaFeCu-0.5-0.5-0.75-0.25	0.11351	0.19492	0.15422	-0.17456	-0.10925	-0.1419	SrFeNi-0.875-0.125-1	0.32613	0.09959	0.21286	0.10637	-0.14991	-0.02177
SrBaFeMg-0.375-0.625-0.5-0.5	-0.01091	0.34401	0.16655	-0.10427	0.11638	0.00006	SrFeO-0.625-0.375-1	0.27688	0.12352	0.2002	0.01242	-0.15055	-0.06906
SrBaFeMg-0.375-0.625-0.875-0.125	0.16771	0.07322	0.12296	-0.05453	-0.11482	-0.08467	SrFeO-0.875-0.125-1	0.4351	0.37842	0.36076	0.17355	0.22375	0.20065
SrBaFeMg-0.75-0.25-0.75-0.25	-0.09977	0.45897	0.17951	-0.13136	0.19618	0.03241	SrFeO-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.44088	0.46346	0.45117	0.20654	0.14667	0.17601
SrBaFeMg-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.18231	-0.06099	0.06066	-0.10135	-0.20737	-0.15436	SrFeMg-0.875-0.125-0.625-0.375	0.0851	-0.0433	0.0209	-0.20243	-0.21451	-0.20847
SrBaFeMn-0.125-0.875-0.75-0.25	0.21511	0.52965	0.37238	-0.00363	0.24004	0.11821	SrFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.375-0.625	0.10176	0.35482	0.23029	-0.10413	0.09299	-0.00557
SrBaFeMn-0.25-0.75-0.5-0.5	0.37246	0.3714	0.35493	0.18143	0.08588	0.13366	SrFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.21393	0.27336	0.24633	-0.10839	-0.02782	-0.0682
SrBaFeMn-0.375-0.625-0.25-0.75	0.01613	0.26204	0.13354	-0.20936	-0.06259	-0.13598	SrFeNi-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.56372	0.49102	0.52737	0.16352	0.36582	0.34072
SrBaFeMn-0.5-0.5-0.75-0.25	0.17028	0.2868	0.22854	-0.07792	0.12363	0.02285	SrFeNi-0.75-0.25-1	0.05413	0.24897	0.15155	-0.22745	-0.08991	-0.15868
SrBaFeMn-0.625-0.375-0.5-0.5	0.0704	0.24001	0.15521	-0.20419	0.05717	-0.07351	SrLaFeCo-0.875-0.125-0.125-0.875*	0.42866	0.48005	0.45456	0.10683	0.24468	0.17575
SrBaFeMn-0.75-0.25-0.25-0.75	0.22292	0.58233	0.40263	0.01588	0.18357	0.09972	SrLaFeCo-0.875-0.125-0.25-0.75	0.17304	0.49205	0.33284	-0.10557	0.09846	-0.00355
SrBaFeMn-0.75-0.25-0.75-0.25	0.37074	0.89795	0.3414	0.405	0.22733	0.31016	SrLaFeCo-0.875-0.125-0.5-0.5	0.56902	0.52777	0.51771	0.34608	0.09996	0.22302
SrBaFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.125-0.875	0.34797	0.17679	0.26238	0.08093	-0.06899	0.00597	SrLaFeCu-0.5-0.5-0.25-0.75	0.31725	0.12518	0.02344	-0.17723	-0.07695	
SrBaFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.375-0.625	0.17094	0.40018	0.28556	-0.05548	0.15008	0.0503	SrLaFeCu-0.625-0.375-0.625-0.375	0.56318	0.15869	0.36094	0.28582	-0.07373	0.10004
SrBaFeMn-0.875-0.125-0.5-0.5	0.0472	0.38986	0.18153	-0.21007	0.16122	-0.02743	SrLaFeCu-0.75-0.25-0.625-0.375	0.40215	0.32947	0.36581	0.18322	-0.03755	0.07293
SrBaFeNi-0.125-0.875-0.875-0.125	-0.0662	0.19215	0.04798	-0.22659	0.06206	-0.1196	SrLaFeNi-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.38732	0.25234	0.31971	0.12097	-0.07601	0.02248
SrBaFeNi-0.375-0.625-0.625-0.375	0.16963	0.35434	0.26199	-0.09042	0.18209	0.04584	SrLaFeNi-0.25-0.75-0.75-0.625	0.11726	0.56336	0.34031	-0.091	0.26861	0.08881
SrBaFeNi-0.5-0.5-0.75-0.25	0.08683	0.05129	0.06906	-0.18171	-0.2099	-0.19581	SrLaFeNi-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.08061	0.52183	0.30122	-0.13106	0.25454	0.05974
SrBaFeNi-0.875-0.125-0.75-0.25	0.28202	0.35396	0.31799	0.00711	0.1003	0.0337	SrLaFeNi-0.875-0.125-0.875-0.125	0.39941	0.38209	0.46075	0.15339	0.29215	0.22287
SrCaCo-0.75-0.25-1	0.19013	0.40777	0.2984	-6.576e-04	0.00444	-0.00251	SrLaFeNi-0.875-0.125-0.125-0.875	0.62728	0.18785	0.40747	0.11092	0.3023	0.24657
SrCaFe-0.875-0.125-1	0.57668	0.57066	0.57367	0.33086	0.34956	0.34021	SrLaFeNi-0.375-0.625-0.125-0.875	0.61531	0.34518	0.47944	0.36103	0.28021	0.13951
SrCaFeCo-0.125-0.875-0.25-0.75	0.05621	0.5843	0.32026	-0.22208	0.35893	0.06842	SrLaFeNi-0.5-0.5-0.125-0.875	0.18316	0.52621	0.35469	-0.08888	0.14479	0.02895

113 promising compositions are proposed for further experimental verifications.

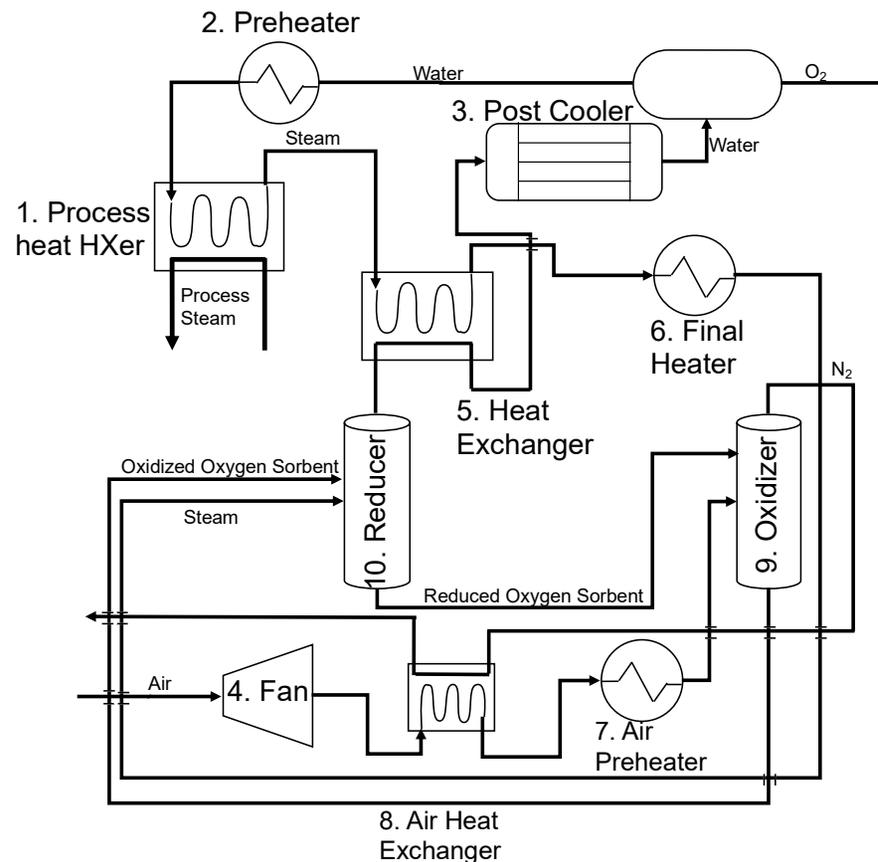
# High Throughput Study: Materials Tested



Visual representation of the materials tested and how they compare

## Milestone 9.2 (Q11) Confirm REM-ASU Design

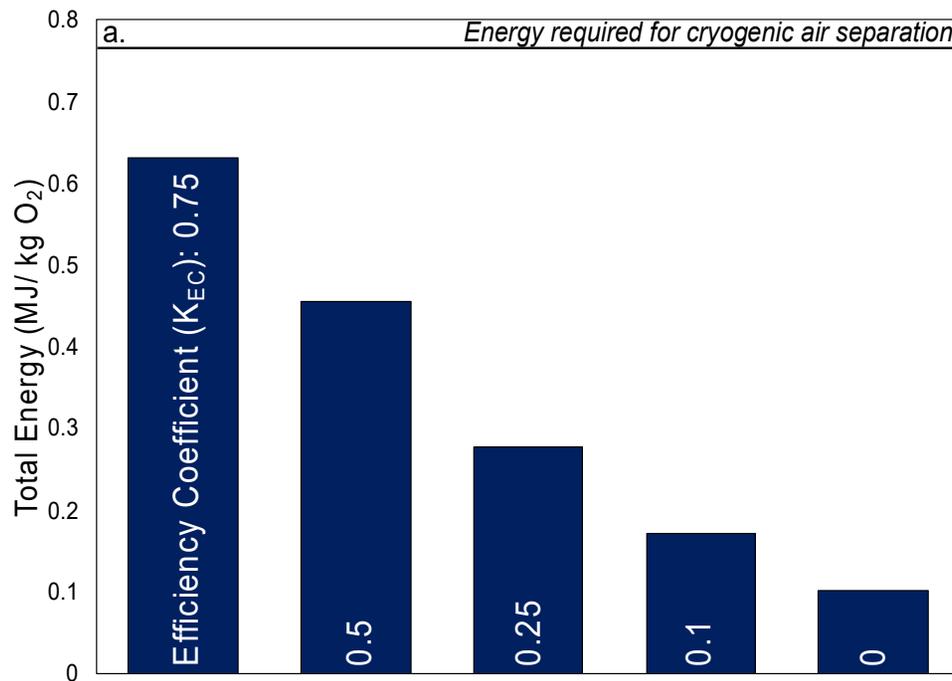
- *M9.2 (Q12) Confirm REM-ASU system with >30% reduction in energy consumption compared to cryogenic ASU*



Flowsheet of the chemical looping air separation (CLAS) system

## Milestone 9.2 (Q11) Confirm REM-ASU Design

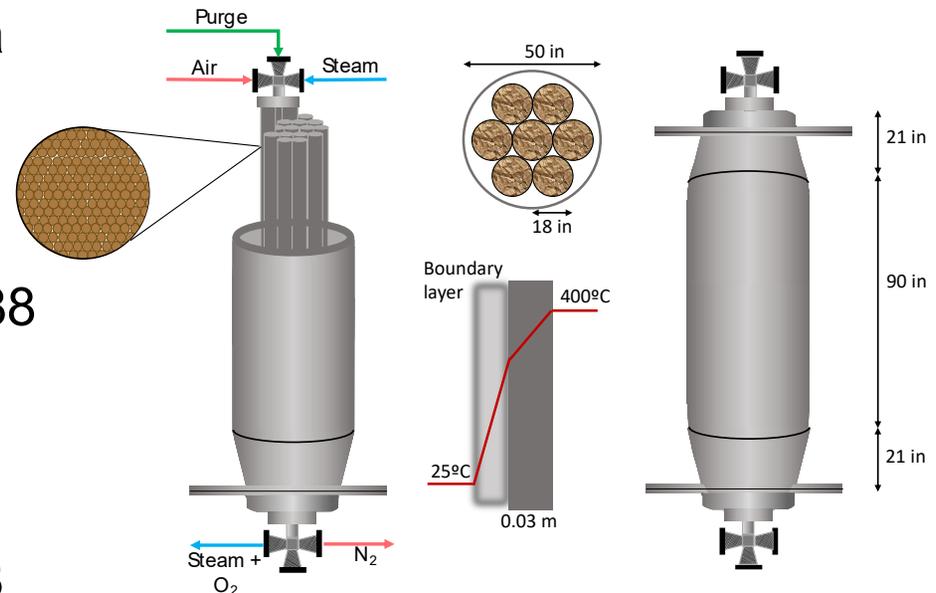
$$W_{loss} = K_{EC} Q \left( \frac{T_{heat\ source} - 313}{T_{heat\ source}} \right)$$



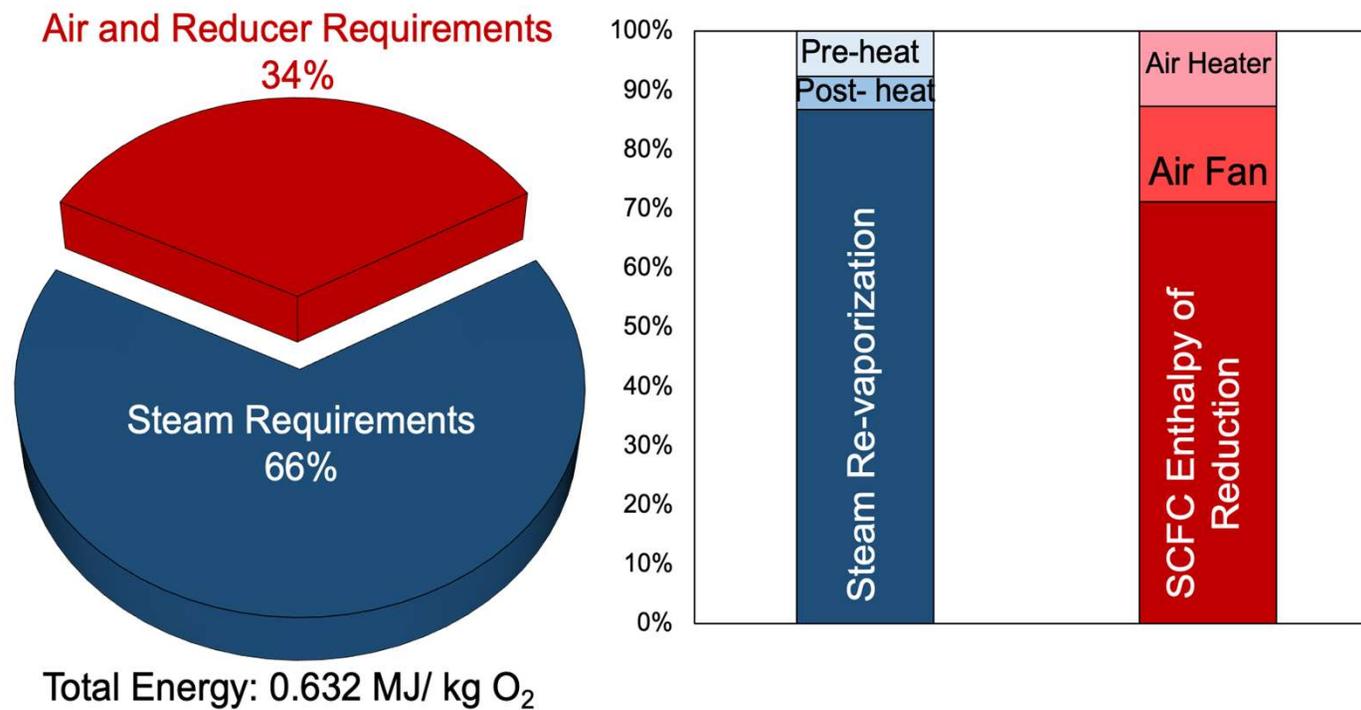
- Total work for CLAS is estimated to be  $\sim 0.63$  MJ/kg  $O_2$
- With “free” low grade process heat, energy consumption can be lowered to 0.1 MJ/kg
- REM-ASU can reduce energy consumption by 30-70% comparing to cryogenic air separation

## CLAS Aspen Simulation: Reactor Sizing

- Basis: a plant with a 5 MW operating capacity
- Kinetics of SCFC 8246 at 600 C, a reduction time of 90 seconds, an oxidation time of 60 seconds, an oxygen capacity of 0.5 wt%
- Oxygen sorbent requirement is 3.88 tons or 2.59 m<sup>3</sup>
- Bundled tubes configuration and 7 tubes in a packed formation, the tubes would have a diameter of 18 in and a height to diameter ratio of 5 to 1, the height is 90 in

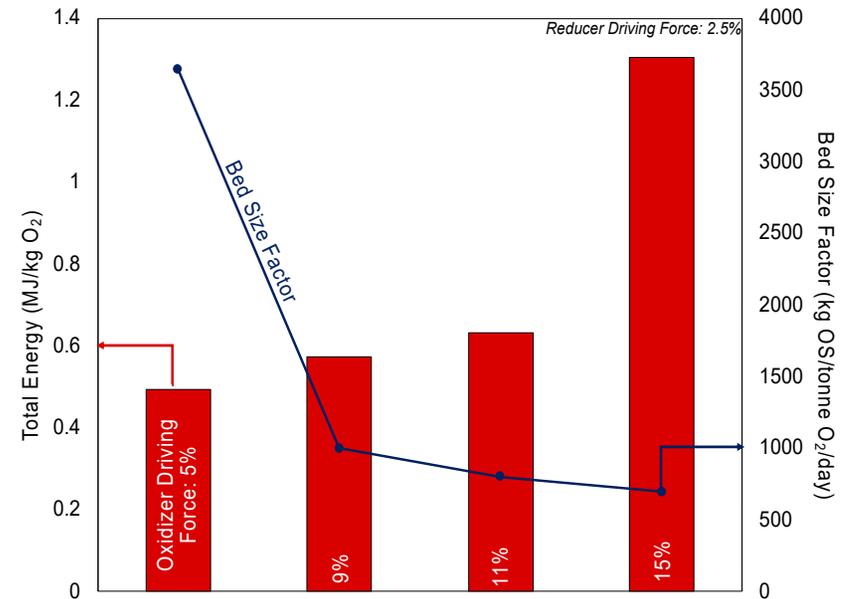
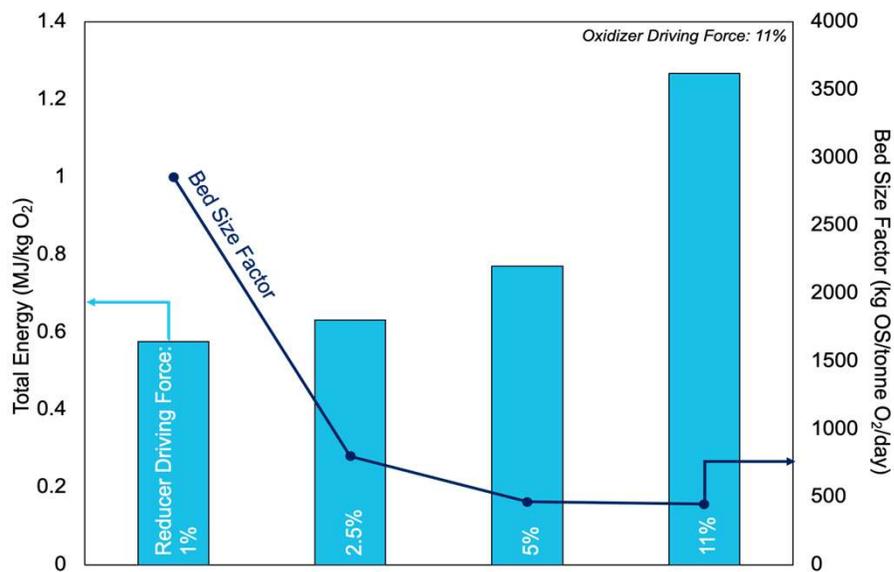


# Steam Effects



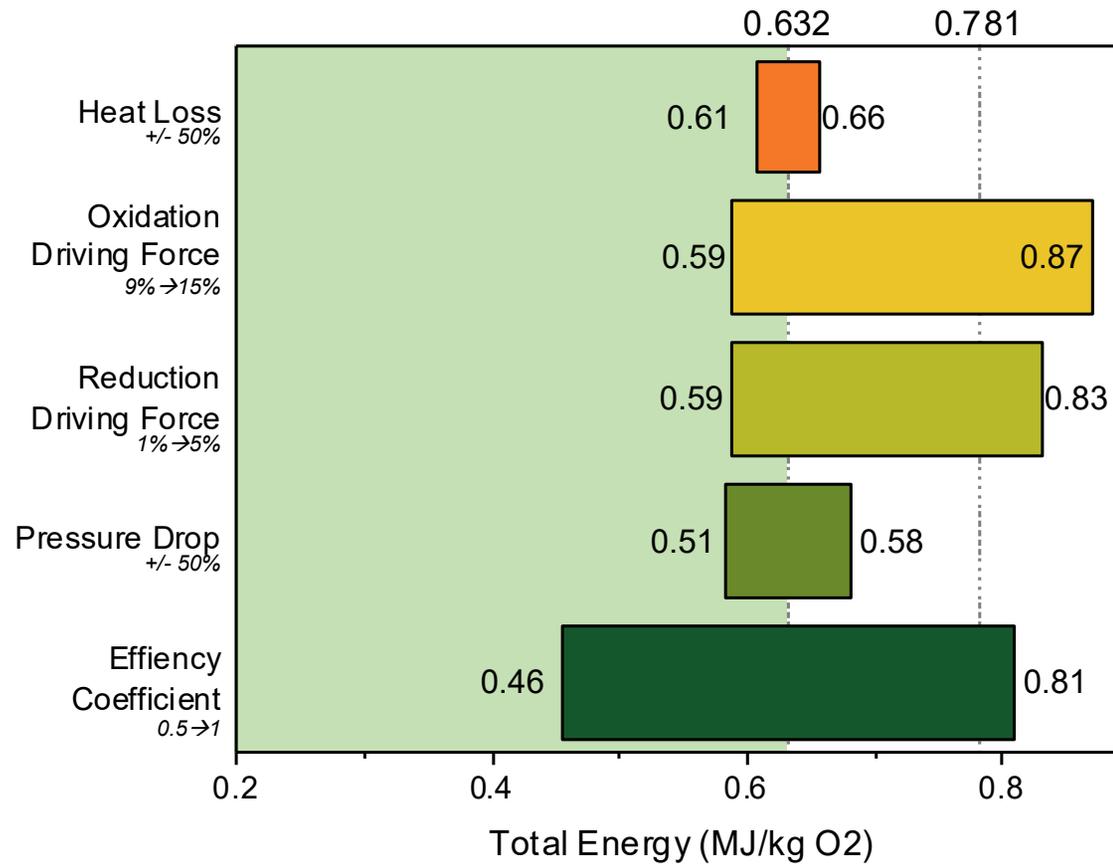
Steam vaporization takes up the most energy and accounts for the most lost work

# Effect of Driving Force



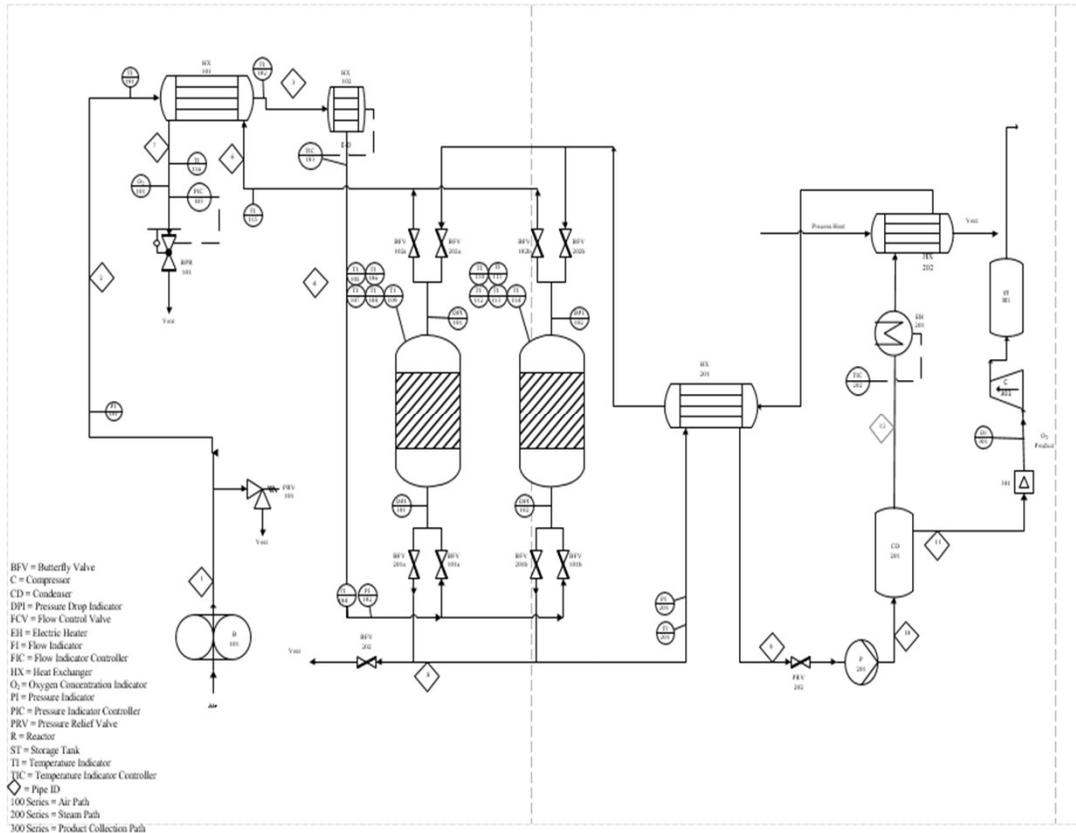
Changing the driving force,  $P_{O_2}$  difference in the reactor, leads to lower energy costs but higher bed size factors

# Sensitivity Analysis



Changing these factors indicates that the Efficiency coefficient has the highest impact on total energy

# REM-ASU Design and TEA



Equipment Designation and Description	Recommended Vendor(s)	Cost Estimate and Method:	Energy Requirement
B101 main process air blower and associated filtration	URAI or <a href="#">Howden</a>	\$45,000	40 kW
HX 102. Final process heat exchanger.	SPX, Xylem, Harsco	\$215,000 - \$575,000	1,600 kW
BFV 100 and 200 series (qty 8) Butterfly Valves	Emerson Vanessa Valves (10" air side, 16" steam side)	\$19,000/\$34,000 respectively <a href="#">ea</a>	N/A
Main Sorption/Desorption Reactors (2)	Custom fabrication	\$800,000 <a href="#">ea</a>	N/A
HX 201. Condensation Unit	SPX, Xylem, Harsco	\$500,000	4,150 kW
HX 202. Process heat exchanger	Custom fabrication	\$230,000	2,000 kW
C-301. Oxygen Compressor	Rix Industries, Gardner Denver	\$75,000	75 kW
ST-301 Product Storage Tank	Custom fabrication	\$55,000	N/A
Process piping	Shelf Materials	4"CS \$18/foot. 8"CS \$50/foot. <a href="#">10"SS</a> 400/foot. <a href="#">16"SS</a> \$750/foot.	N/A
Controls, Data Acquisition, Human/Machine Interface, Sensors	ABB, Yokogawa, Rockwell, and Honeywell	\$275,000	5 kW

# Outline

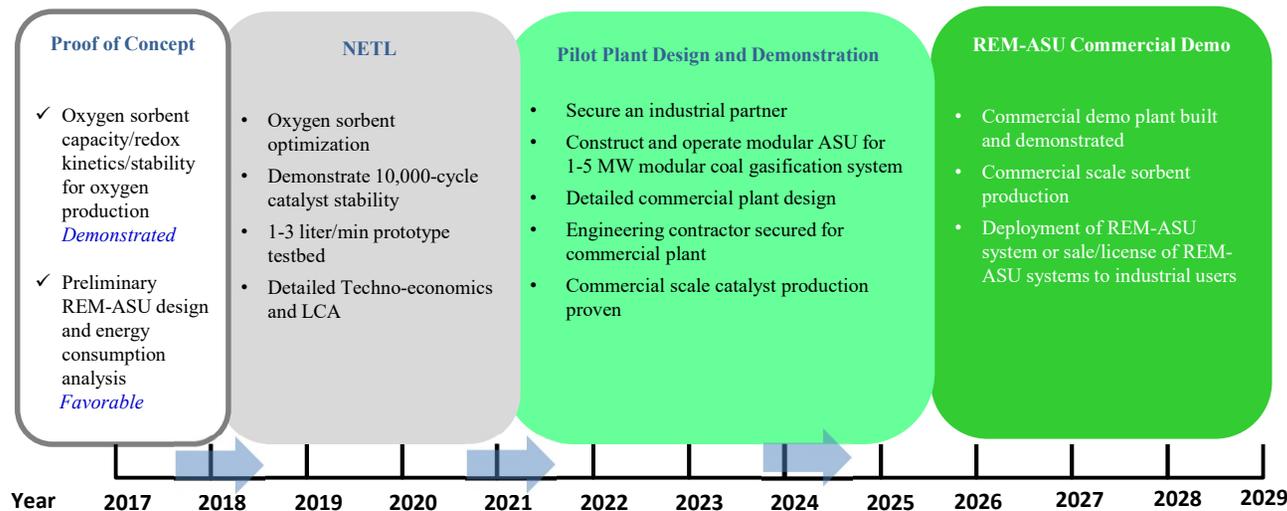
- Project Description and Objectives
- Project Update
- **Preparing Project for Next Steps**
- Concluding Remarks

## Future work

- DFT based high throughput screening on sorbent develop has screened out a few thousand sorbent compositions, experimental preparation/characterization is currently under way;
- We discovered interesting dopant effect, showing that even 0.03 at.% dopant can significantly impact sorbent performance. This phenomena is being further investigated in detail, including Neutron Diffraction studies;
- Novel double perovskite sorbents offer high oxygen capacity and opportunity for integrated O<sub>2</sub> compression have been investigated. It can be particularly suitable for gasification applications;
- Refinement of the reactor model for optimized REM-ASU system design.

## Market Benefits/Assessment and Tech to Market

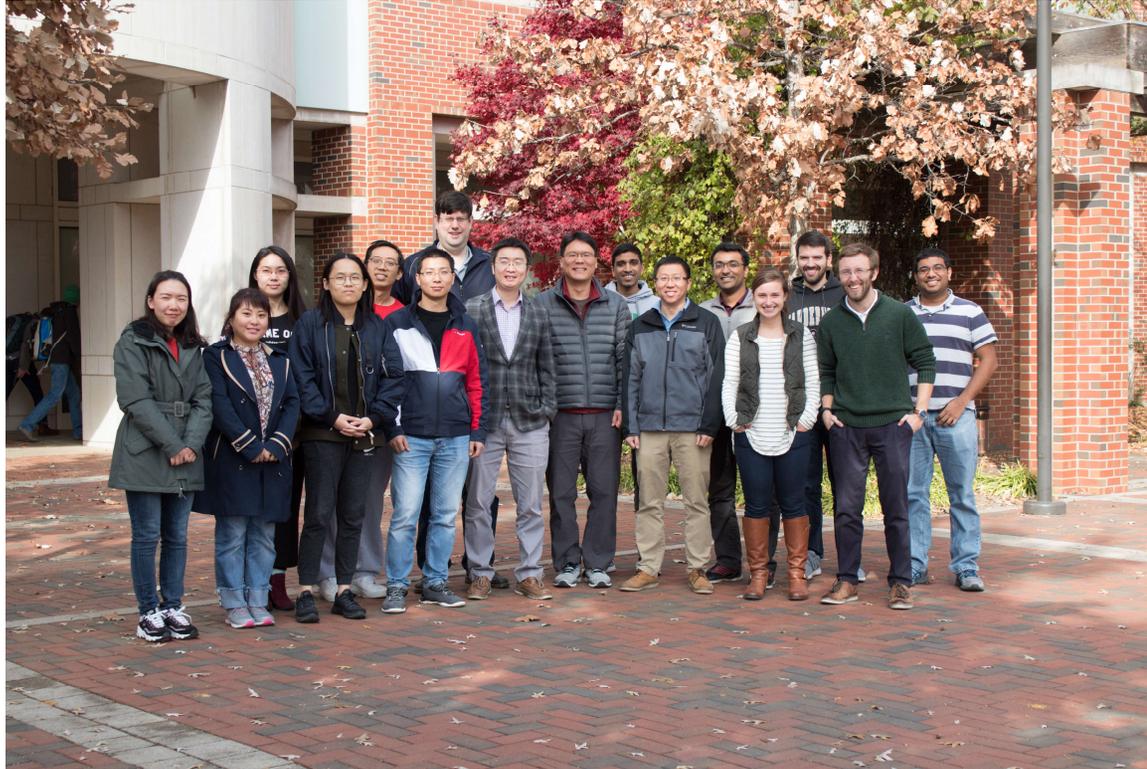
- REM-ASU produces low-cost oxygen compatible with modular coal gasification
- REM-ASU can lead to 30% reduction in energy consumption comparing to cryogenic method for air separation
- REM-ASU integrates with gasification system for low-grade heat utilization and O<sub>2</sub> cost reduction
- REM-ASU has lower capital cost and is easy to scale up



## Conclusions

- REM-ASU has the potential to produce low-cost oxygen via pressure swing with oxygen sorbent materials
- REM-ASU is tailored to be compatible with 1-5 MW coal gasifier, with the potential for >30% reduction in energy consumption for air separation
- Low-cost oxygen reduces cost for coal gasifier deployment, leading to cost effective CO<sub>2</sub> capture and utilization
- Future work include TEA analysis, additional stability test, and evaluation of oxygen sorbents selected by high throughput DFT method.

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