



2019 NETL CO₂ Capture Technology Project Review Meeting

Mixed-Salt Based Transformational Solvent Technology for CO₂ Capture

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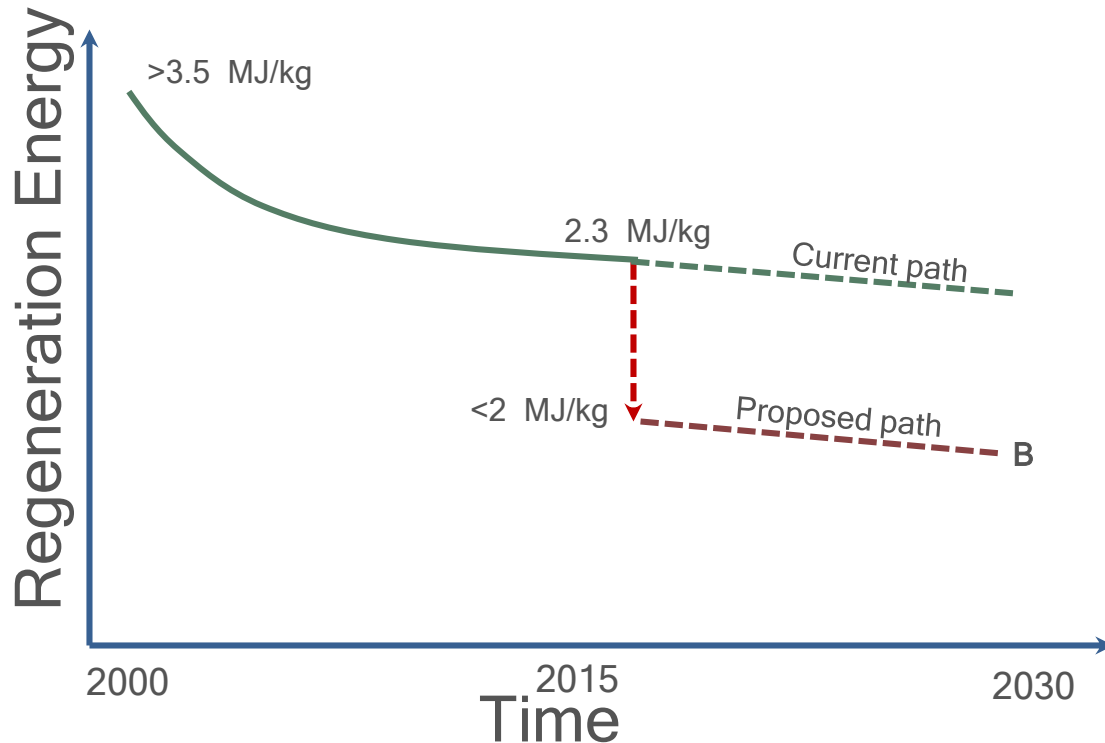
Presentation Outline

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 - Needs to reduce CO₂ capture costs
 - Advanced Mixed-Salt Process
 - Process Benefits
- Project Structure
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 - Project Team and Organization
 - Development Path
 - Project Tasks
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Reducing Capture Costs Beyond the Current Values

New transformational technologies

-A step reduction of the regeneration energy is required



- Low regeneration energy by solvent pairing
- Energy recovery by heat integration

Pathway to reach DOE 2030 CO₂ capture goals

Advanced Mixed-Salt Process Details

How it works:

Selected composition of potassium carbonate , ammonium salts and an additive

- Overall heat of reaction 35 to 60 kJ/mol (tunable)

Absorber operation at 20° - 40° C at 1 atm

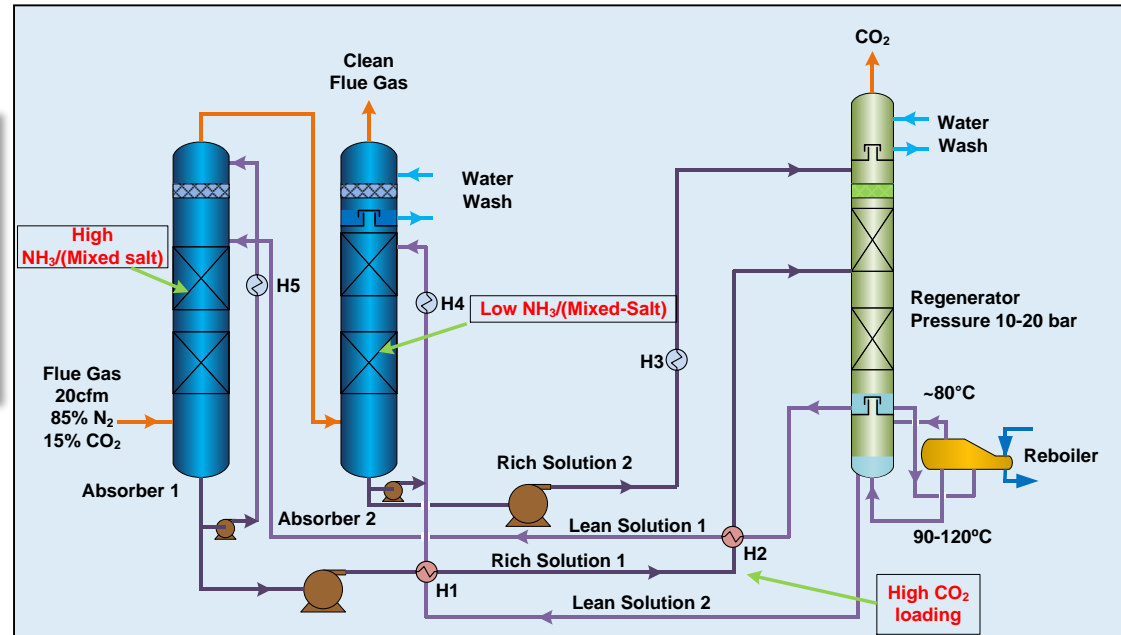
Regenerator operation at 90° - 120° C at ~10 atm

- Produce high-pressure CO₂ stream

K₂CO₃–NH₃–Additive–CO₂–H₂O system

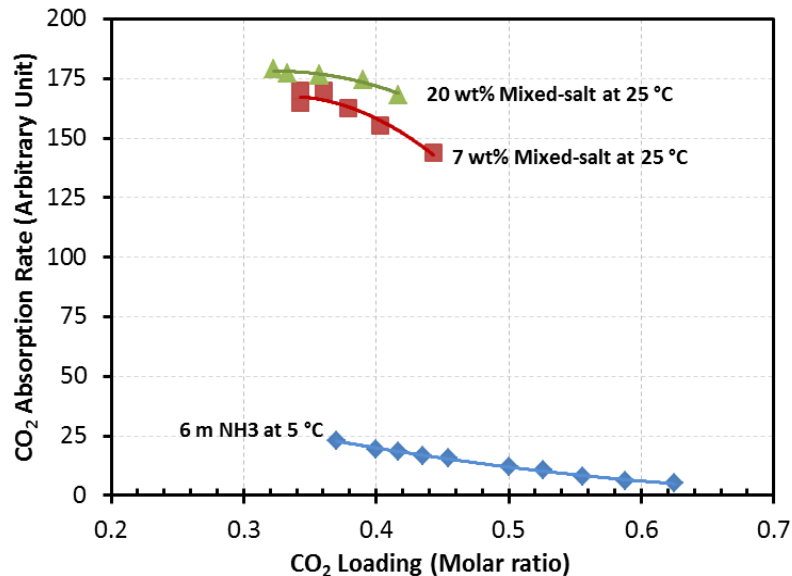
High CO₂ cycling capacity
Reduced Ammonia Emission
Reduced Reboiler duty
Reduced CO₂ Compression Energy

A significant step change for reaching DOE's reduced CO₂ capture cost targets.



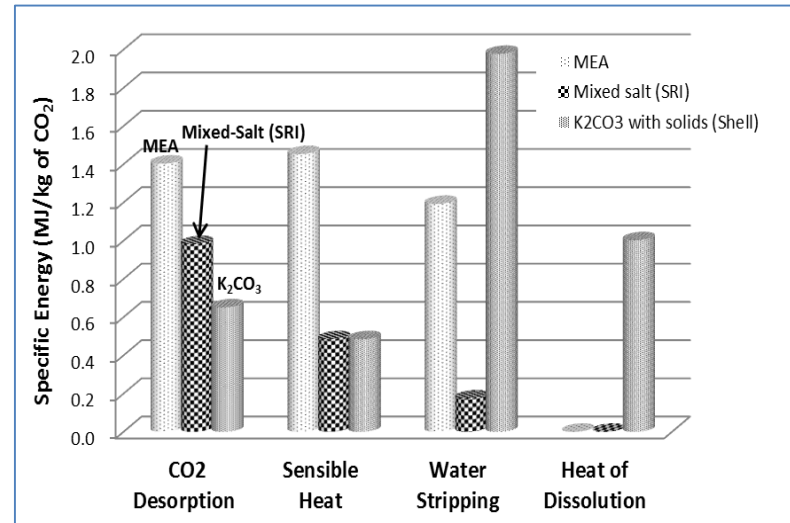
Process Enhancements

Enhanced Kinetics at High Temperature



Observed rate enhancement of CO₂ absorption efficiency by comparison of mixed-salt with NH₃

Low Energy Requirement for CO₂ Stripping



Estimated regenerator heat requirement for mixed-salt system with 0.2 to 0.6 cyclic CO₂ loading. Comparison with neat K₂CO₃ and MEA is shown

(Source for the Shell K₂CO₃ process, Schoon and van Straelen, 2011).

Absorber side: Reduced packing height
Regenerator side: Reduced water evaporation

Project Objectives, Budget and Period of Performance

- Project Objectives
 - High CO₂ loading capacity
 - Solvent rich system
 - Potential to reach DOE cost target \$30/ton CO₂ by 2030
- Period of Performance: 6/1/2018 to 11/30/2021
- Project budget (Contract No: DE-FE0031597)
 - DOE Funding: \$3,105,797
 - Partner Share: \$951,897

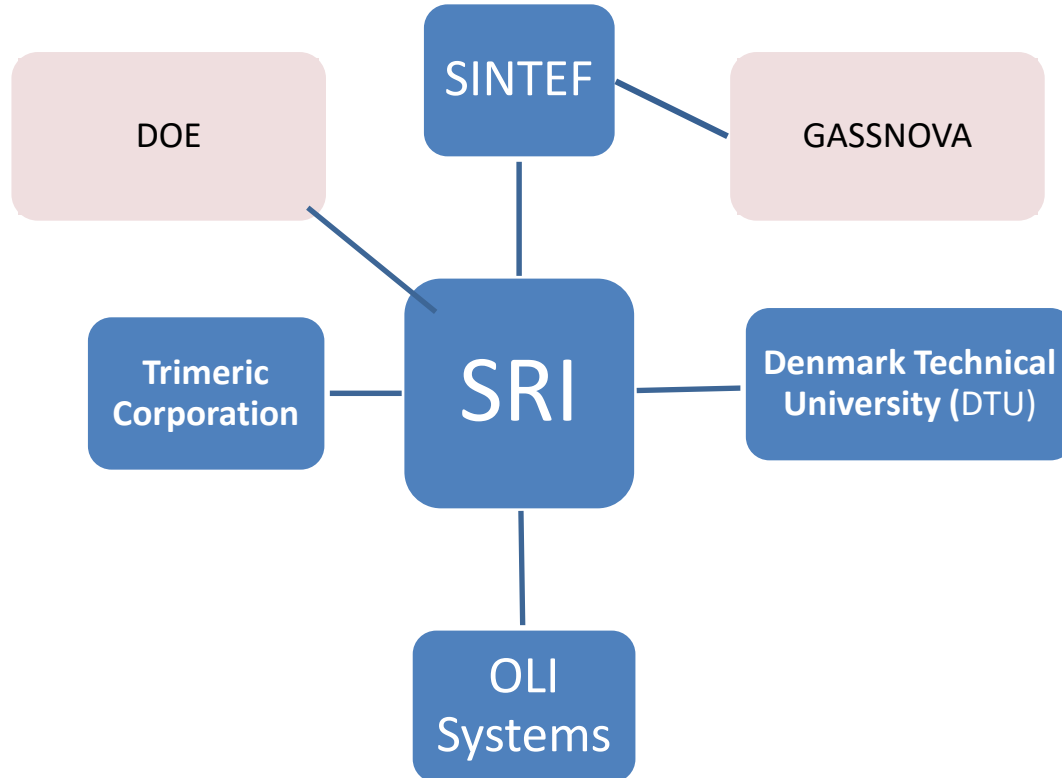
Project Team

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Project Manager: Andrew Jones, NETL

Prime Contractor: SRI International

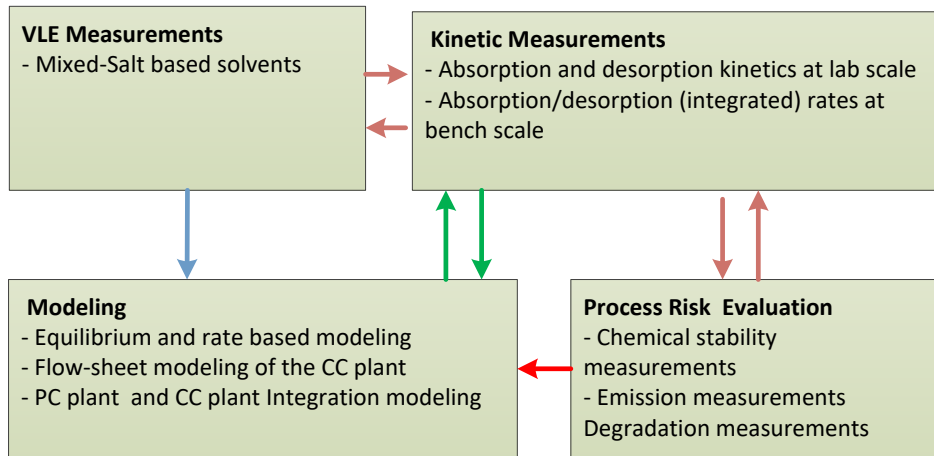
Project Team: US and International Partners



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Opportunities for US-Norway Collaborations leading to new IP and new markets

Work Organization

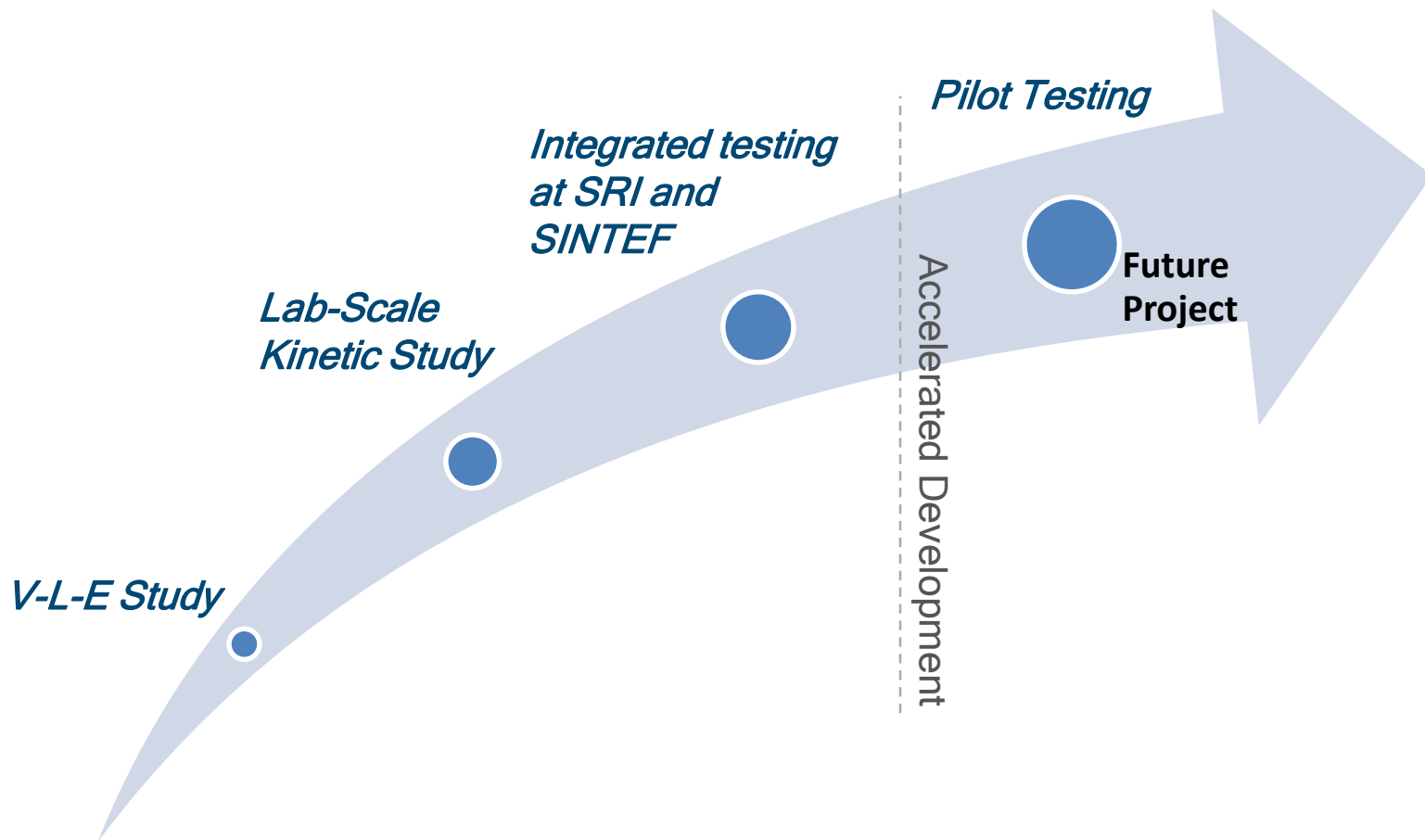


- **SRI International, USA**
 - Advanced mixed-salt composition development and testing
- **DTU, Denmark (Cost-share partner)**
 - VLE Measurements & Thermodynamic modeling
- **OLI Systems, USA**
 - Flowsheet Model Design (energy and mass balance)
- **Trimeric, Corp., USA**
 - Process Techno Economic Analysis
- **SINTEF, Norway (Cost-share partner)**
 - Emission and degradation studies
 - Alternative Mixed-salt composition development and testing

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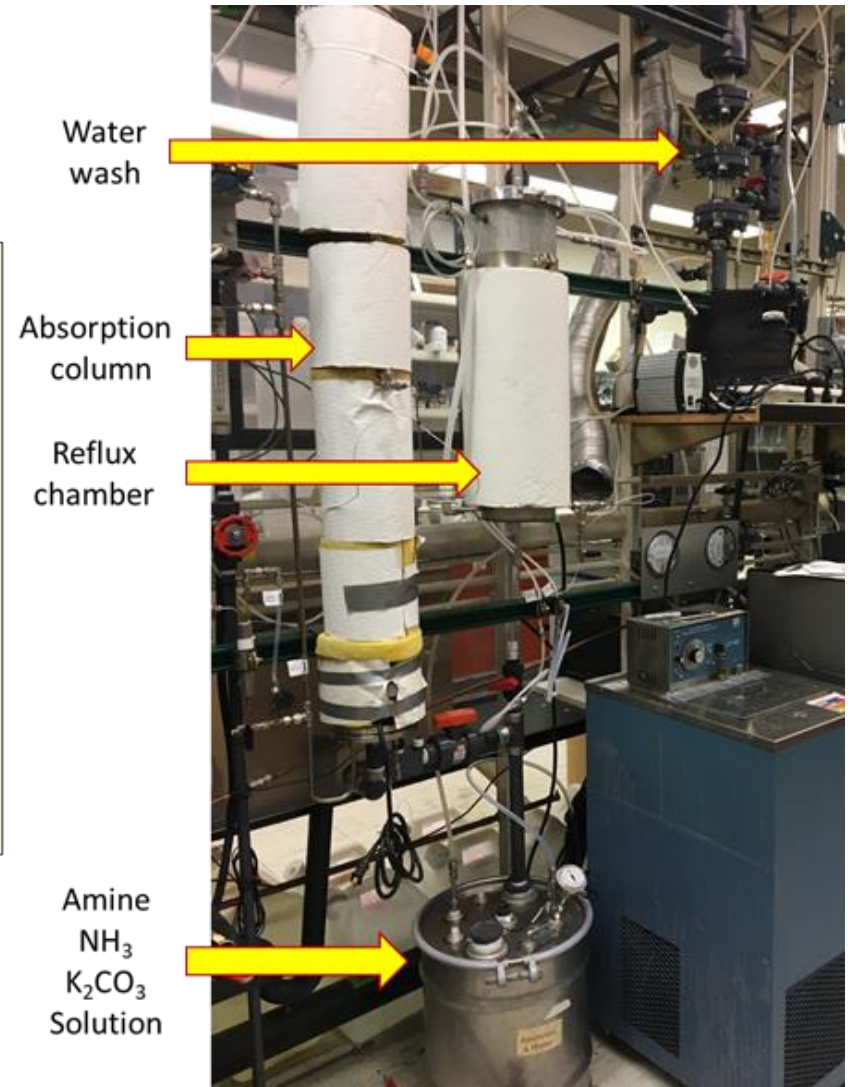
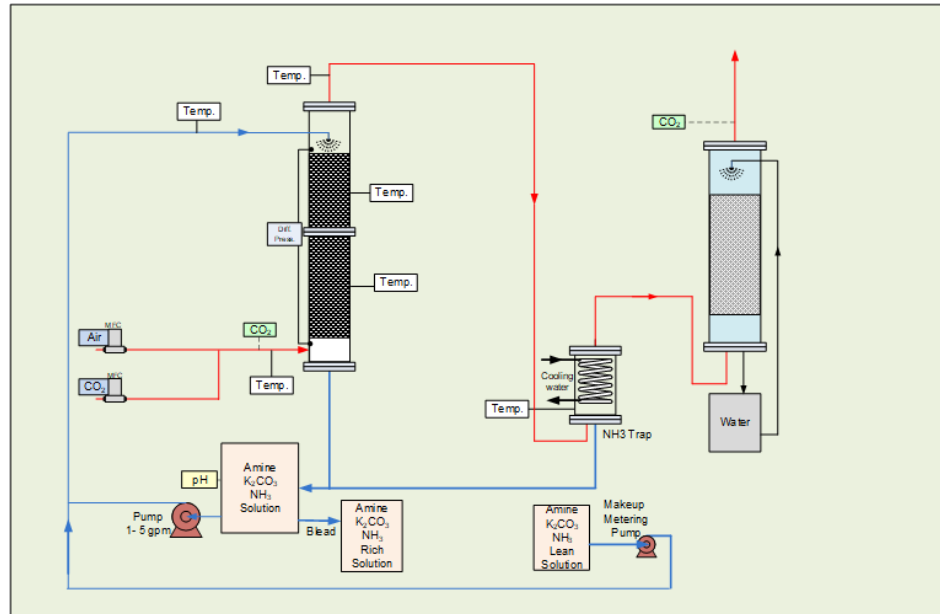
Team : SRI (USA), SINTEF (Norway), OLI (USA), DTU (Denmark), Trimeric (USA)

Funding : US DOE (SRI Project) & CLIMIT (SINTEF Project)



Opportunities for reducing CO₂ from small and large-scale applications

Small bench scale absorber system for AMSP testing

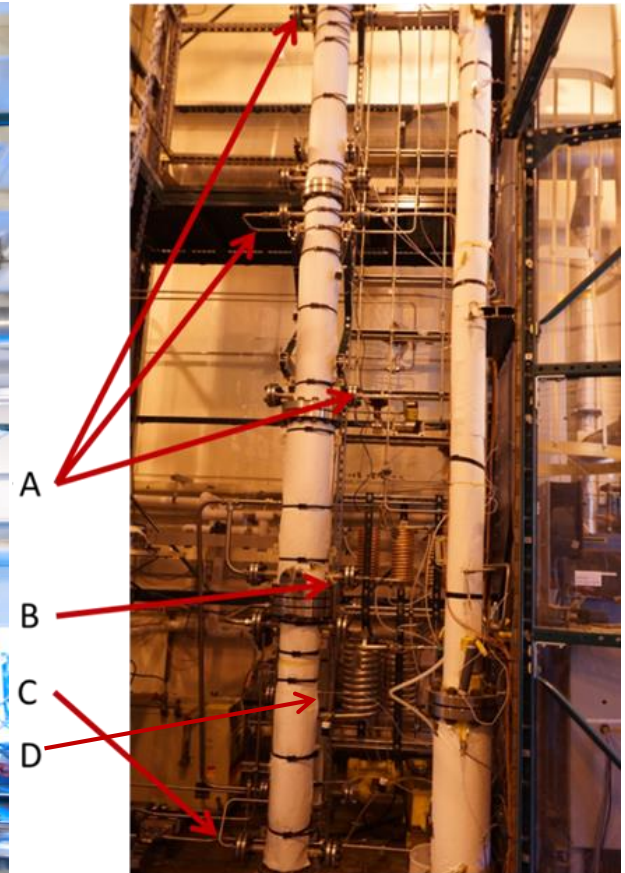


Existing Infrastructure for Testing

Photographs of large bench scale setup

Large bench scale system

Lab scale system



- A: Rich solution inlet locations
- B: Discharge locations for high NH_3/K solution
- C: Discharge locations for low NH_3/K solution
- D: Heat exchangers (Cold rich \leftrightarrow Hot lean)

Project Tasks

BP1: 24 months BP2: 12months

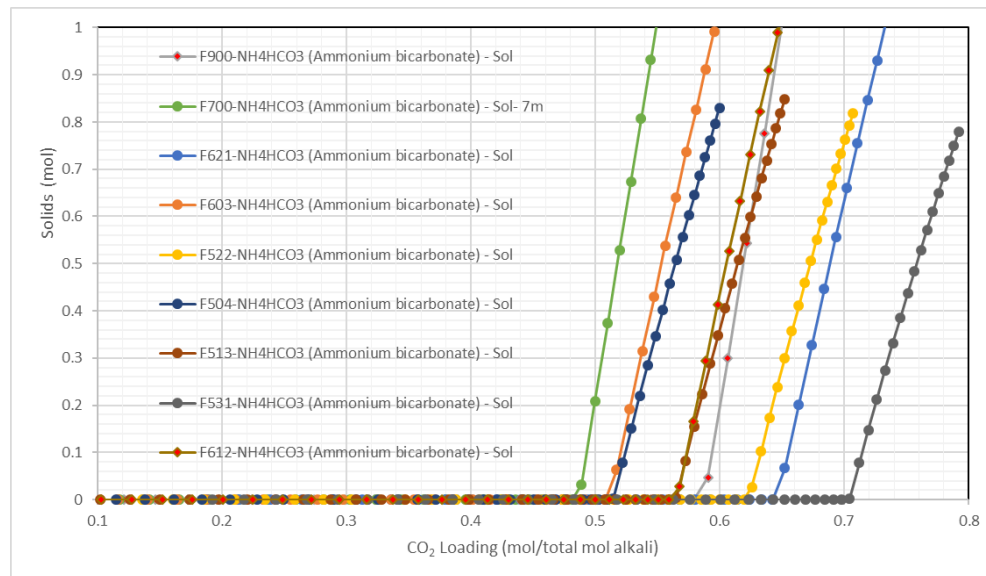
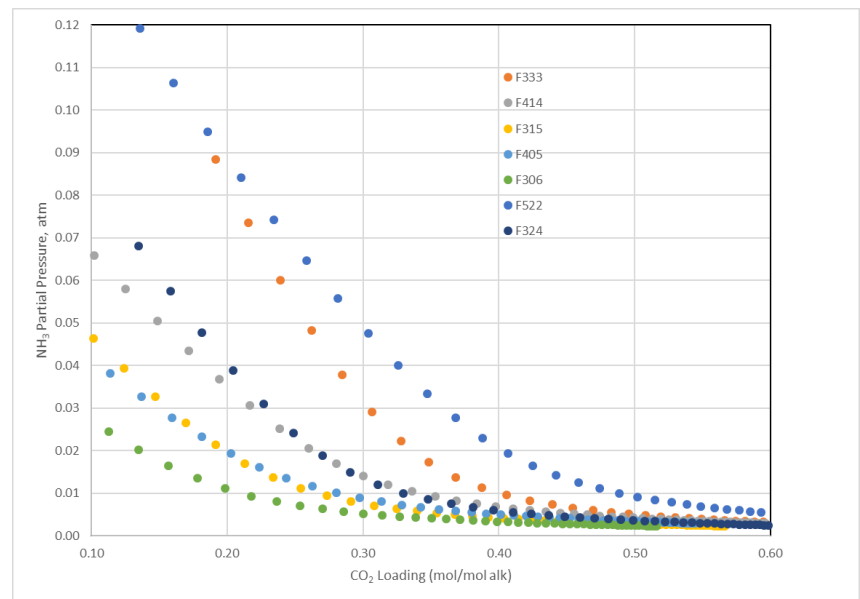
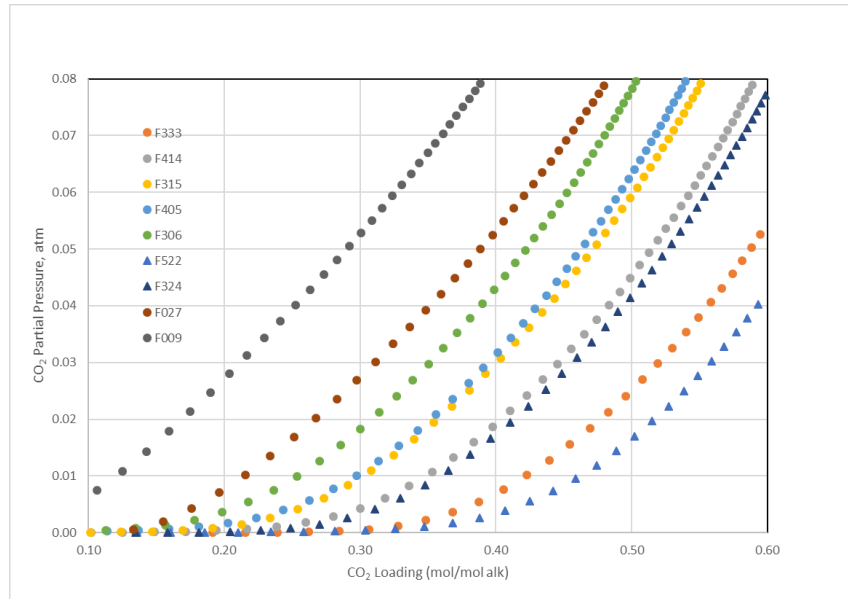
- Task 1: Project Management and Planning (SRI)
- Task 2: Vapor-Liquid-Equilibria Measurements (DTU)
- Task 3: Process Kinetic Assessment (SRI)
- Task 4: Emission and Degradation Measurements (SINTEF)
 - Subtasks 4.1 and 4.2: Emission and thermal degradation measurements
 - **Subtask 4.3; Integrated testing with amines and mixed-salt blends**
- Task 5: Rate-Based Model Development (OLI)
- Task 6: Preliminary Techno-economic Analysis (Trimeric)
- **Task 7: Integrated System Testing (SRI)**
- **Task 8: Process Flowsheet Model Development (OLI)**
- **Task 9: Techno-economic Analysis (Trimeric)**

* Tasks in Red will be performed in BP2

BP1 Project Status Update

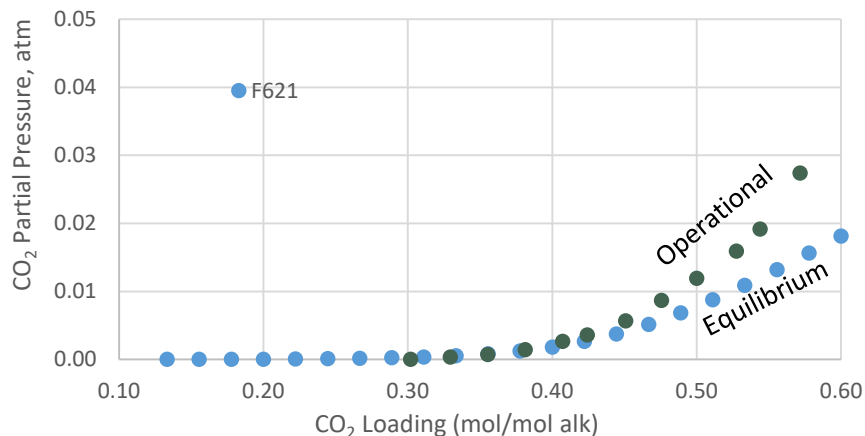
As of 7/31/2019	Status
Task 1- Project Management and Planning	On going
Task. 2.0- VLE Measurements at DTU	
Subcontract award to DTU	Completed
VLE measurements	In Progress
Task 3.0 - Kinetic Measurements at SRI	
Bench-scale set-up test plan development	completed
Bench-scale testing	In progress
Task 4.0 – New amine Development and Emission Assessment	
Technology transfer and cost-share agreement to SINTEF	completed
Information exchange	In progress
Task 5.0 – Process Modeling	
Subcontract award to OLI	Completed
Flow-sheet modeling	In progress
Task 6.0 – Preliminary Technoeconomic Analysis (TEA)	
Subcontract award Trimeric	Completed
Preliminary TEA	To begin in November

VLE Modeling at SRI



Testing at SRI

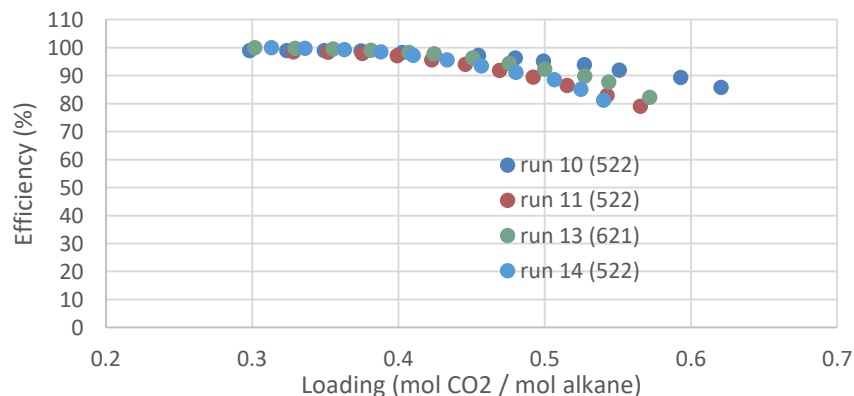
Comparison of test data with and modeling



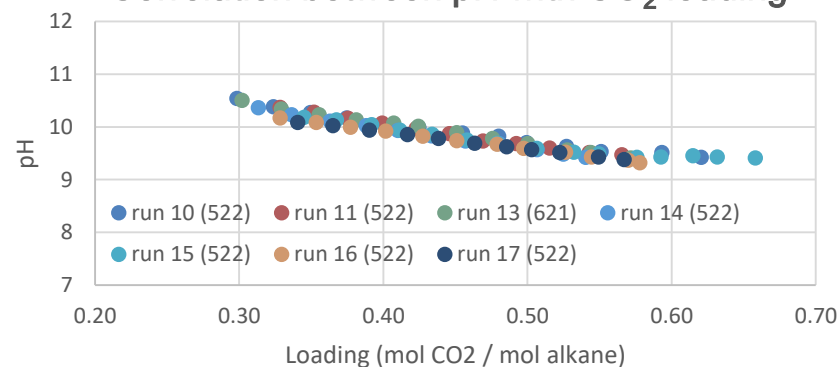
Run Table

Run #	Composition	Temperature (°C)	Gas flow (SLPM)	CO ₂ loading (initial)	CO ₂ loading (final)	Concentration (m)
1	420	24 <=> 31 °C	32.5	0.24	0.52	6
2	520	29 ±1 °C	17	0.22	0.36	6
3	52(0.5)	28 <=> 33 °C	20.5	0.14	0.42	7.2
4	521	24 <=> 28 °C	21	0.16	0.5	7.1
5	522 (air only, no CO2)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
6	522 (continue from run 5)	21 ±1 °C	10	0.15	0.31	8
7	522	21 ±1 °C	10.4	0.13	0.3	8.6
8	522 (continue from run 7)	21	4 to 40	0.34	0.53	8
9	622	21 ±1 °C	4 to 40	0.11	0.41	8.6
10	522	20	10 <=> 11	0.3	0.62	8.75
11	522	20	10 <=> 11	0.33	0.565	8.67
12	11-cont.	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
13	621	20.5 ±0.5 °C	10.0 <=> 10.7	0.3	0.57	8.475
14	522	16 <=> 20 °C	9.9 <=> 10.7	0.31	0.54	8.65
15	522	20 °C	10	0.35	0.65	8.9
16	522	22.5 °C	10	0.33	0.58	9
17	522	25.5 °C	10	0.34	0.57	8.7
18	621	20	10	0.4		9
19	423	20	10	0.4		9

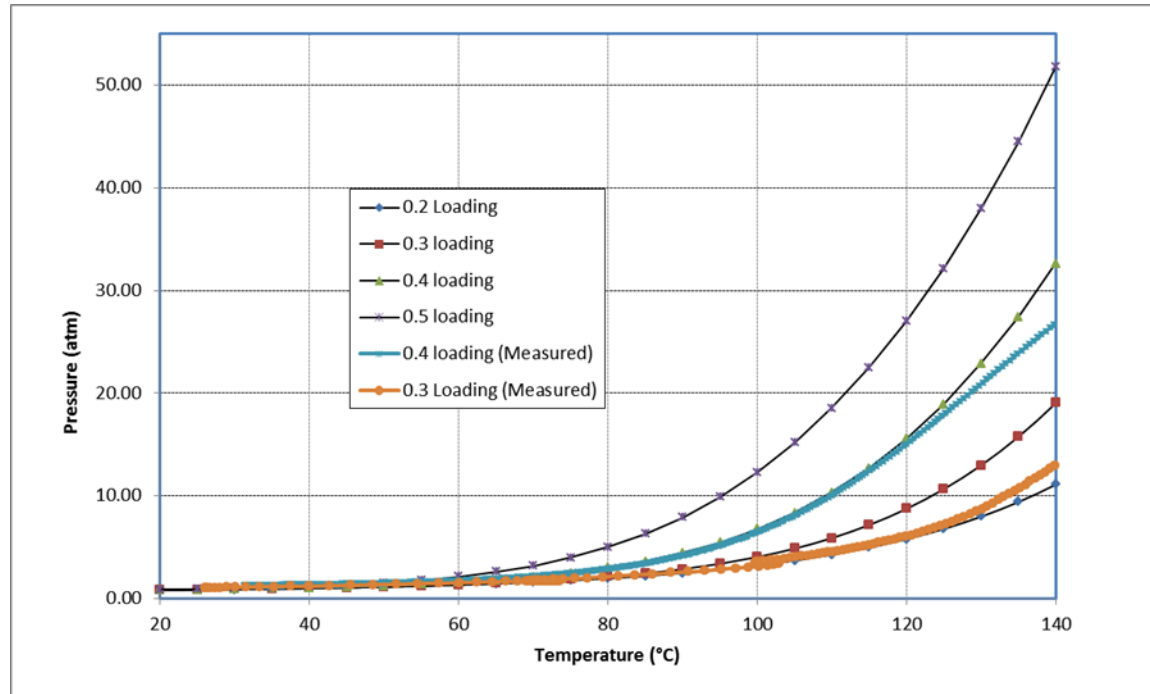
Effect of CO₂ loading on efficiency



Correlation between pH with CO₂ loading

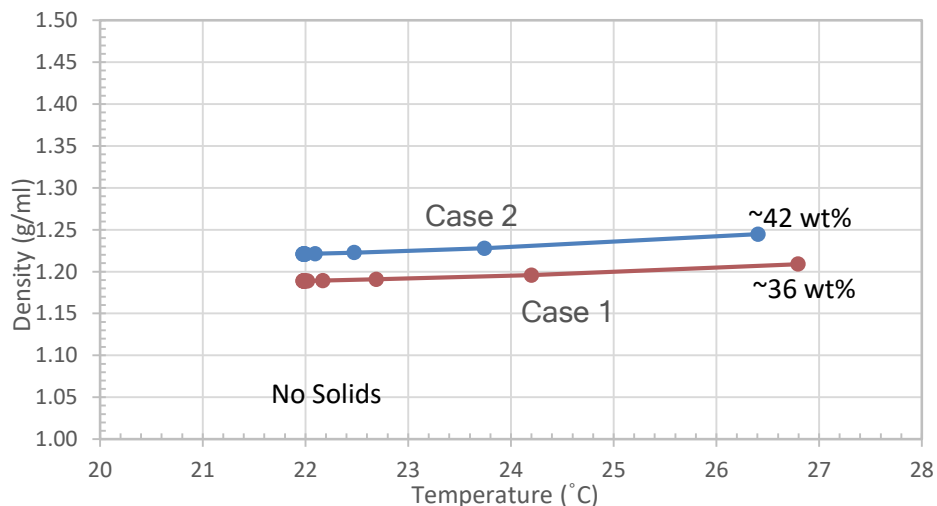


Measured and calculated system pressure of 0.2 to 0.5 CO₂ loaded AMSP solutions with temperature

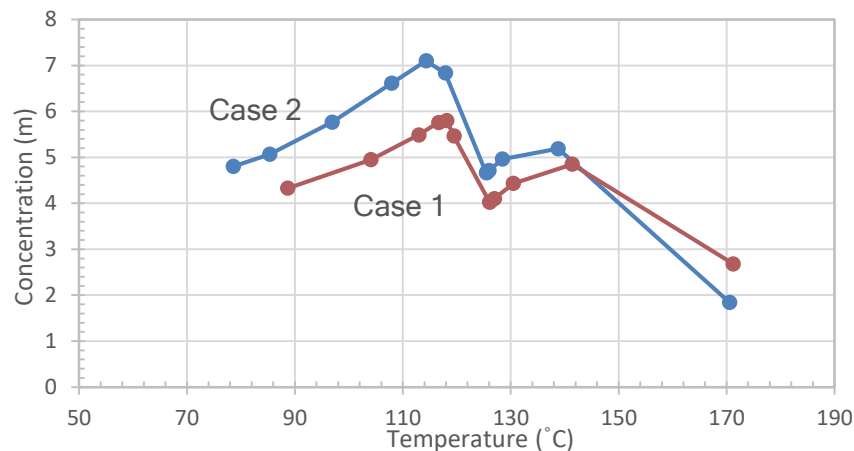


Process Modeling at OLI

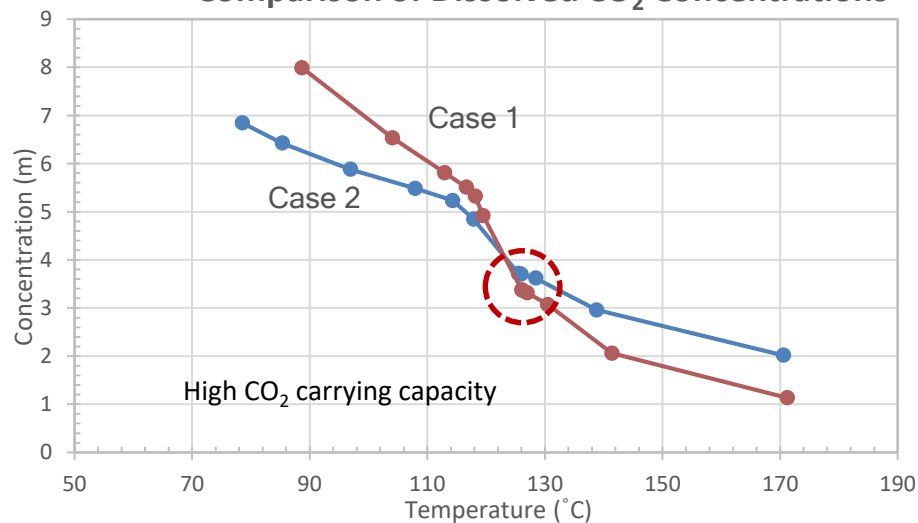
Comparison of Solvent Densities in Abs 1



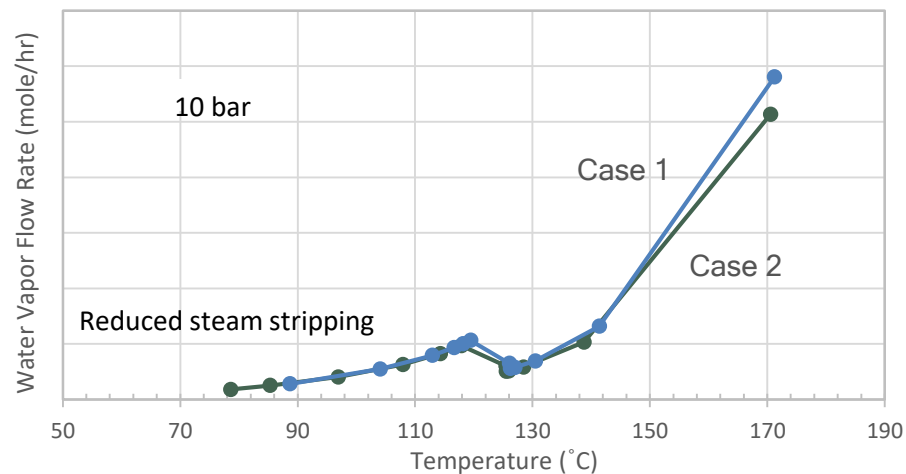
Comparison of Dissolved NH₃ Concentrations



Comparison of Dissolved CO₂ Concentrations



Comparison of H₂O Emissions



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