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# e-CODUCT:

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## Fast-Response electrically heated catalytic reactor technology for CO<sub>2</sub> reDUCTion

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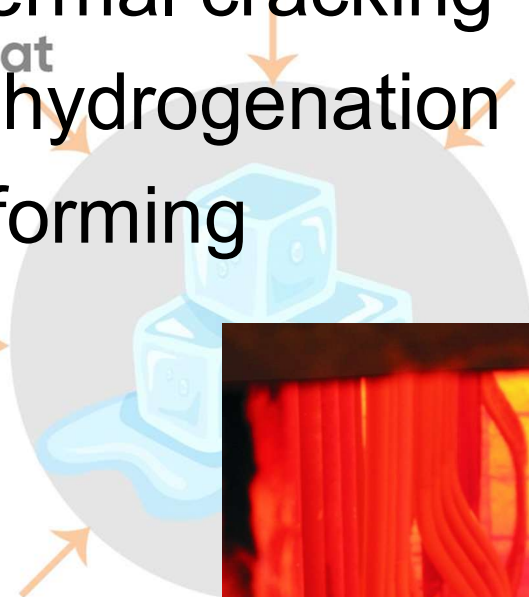
# heat requirements in chemical reactions

- endothermic reactions

- thermal cracking
- dehydrogenation
- reforming

Heat

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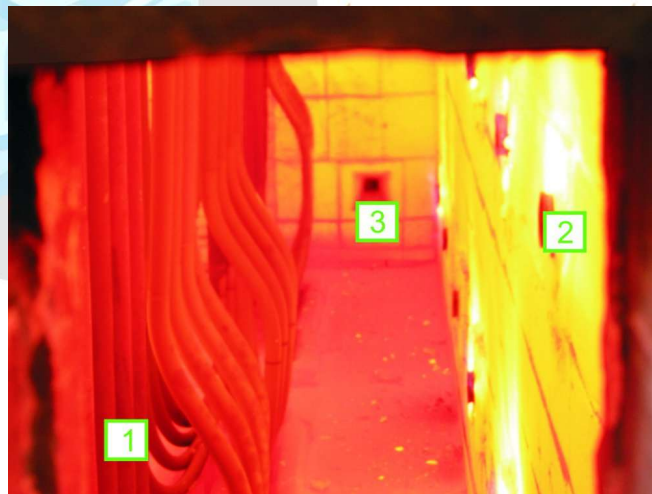
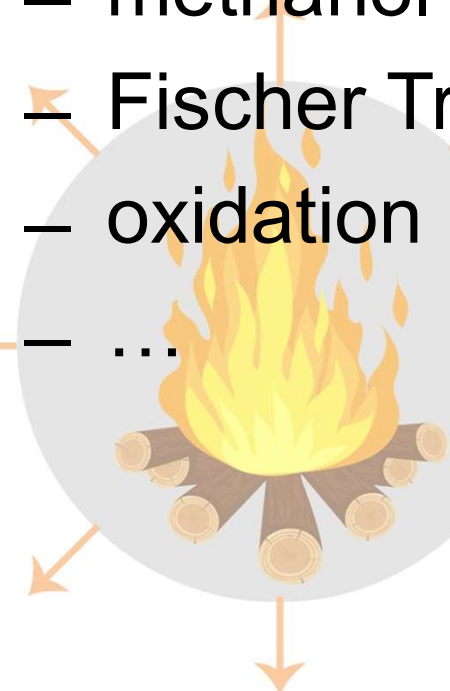


- exothermic reactions

- methanol synthesis
- Fischer Tropsch
- oxidation

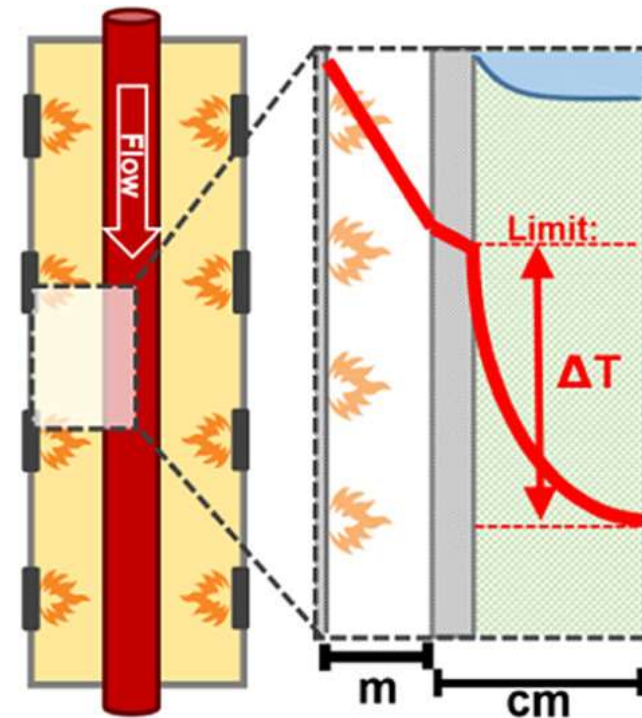
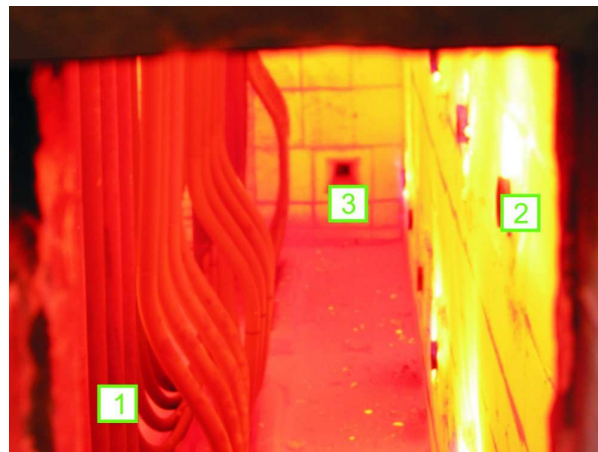
Heat

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# (strongly) endothermic reactions

- heat transport focused reactor design
- narrow tubes
- fired furnace
- pronounced temperature gradients



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## challenges/objectives

- enhancing heat transfer efficiency
- faster response to temperature changes

# outline

- introduction
- efficient heating
  - electrification
  - ElectroThermal Fluidized Bed reactor (ETFB)
- e-CODUCT
  - opportunities for simultaneous CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>S abatement
  - powered by renewable energy
- conclusions & perspectives

# how can we enhance heat transfer?



heat containment

**electrification**

how can we do even better?



microwave

**heating from  
the inside**



induction

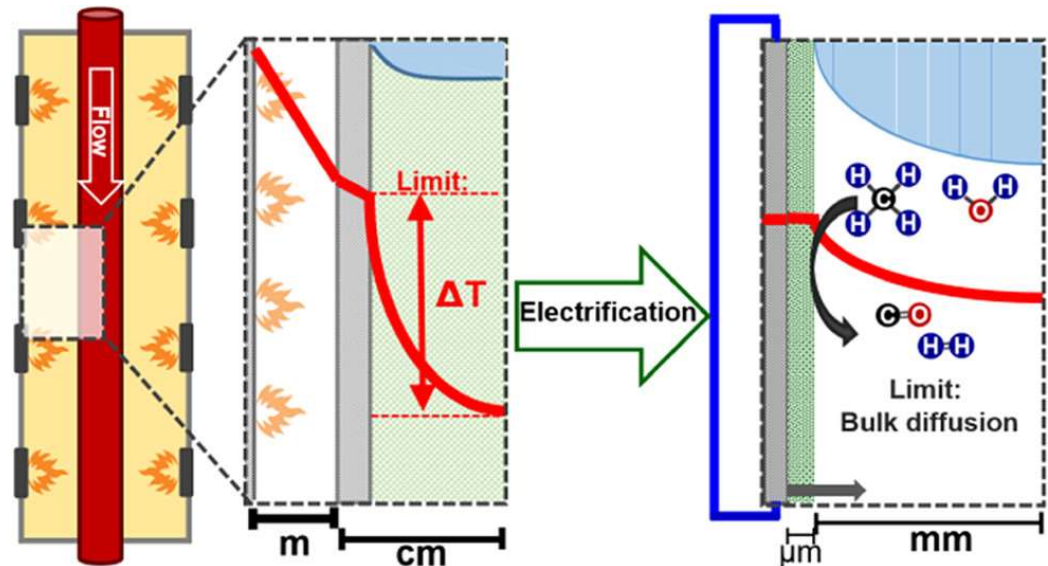


# reactor electrification

electrical heating -> overcoming limitations of combustion

advantageous in terms of:

- energy efficiency
- process control
- safety and maintenance
- rapid heating
- ...

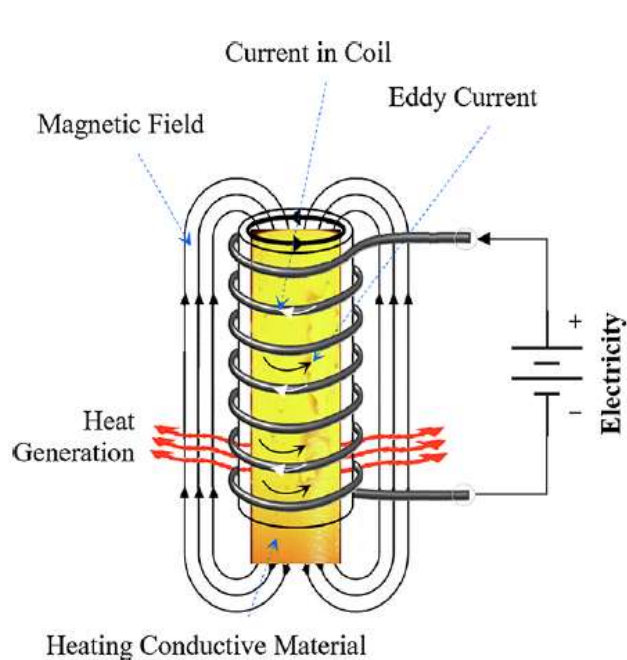


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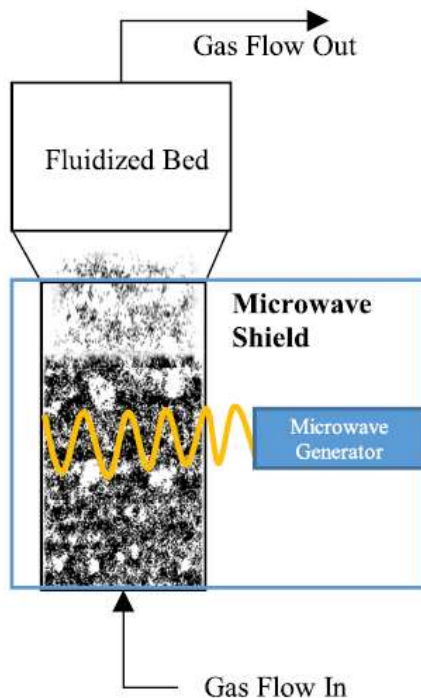


# electrical heating

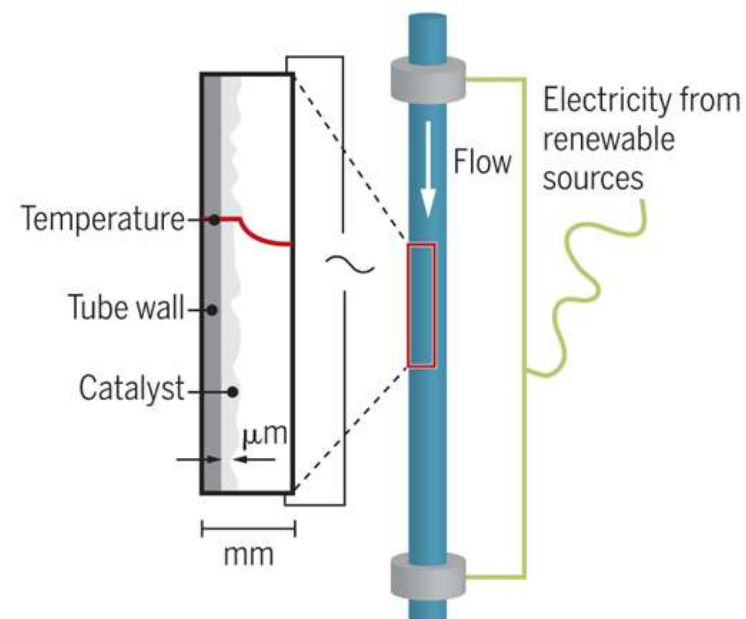
## induction



## microwave

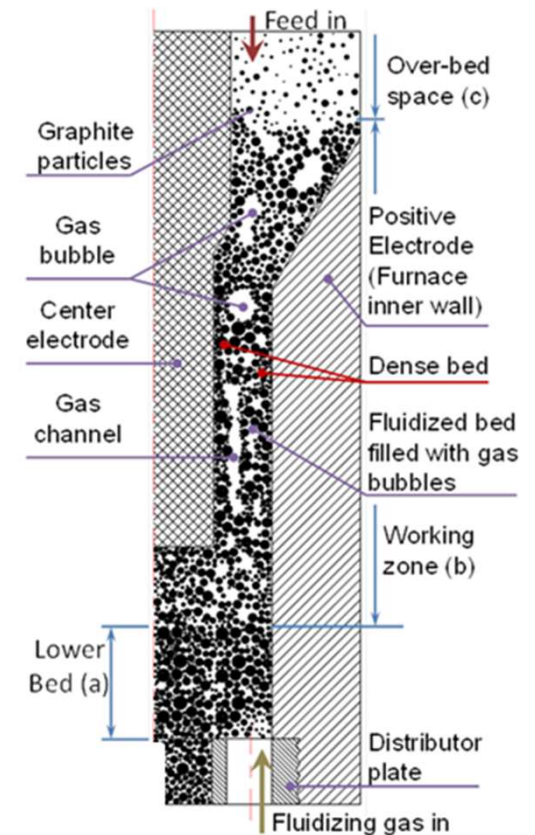


## Joule



# ElectroThermal Fluidized Bed reactor (ETFB)

- combination:
  - fluidization
  - Joule heating
- compared to conventional fluidized beds
  - better control over bed temperature
  - highly energy efficient
  - rapid and uniform heating



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# e-CODUCT: rationale

fast-response electrically heated catalytic reactor technology for CO<sub>2</sub> reduction

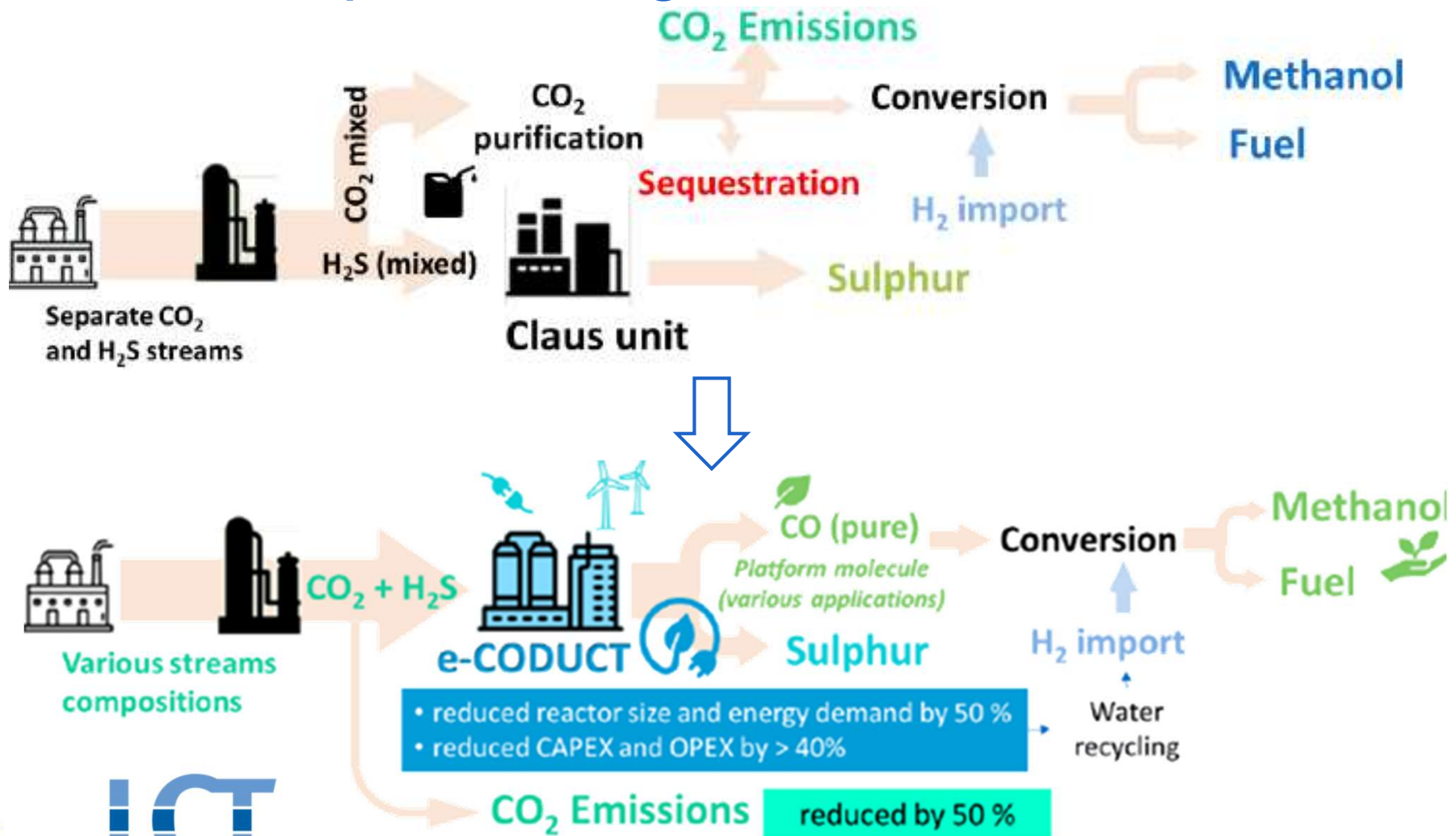


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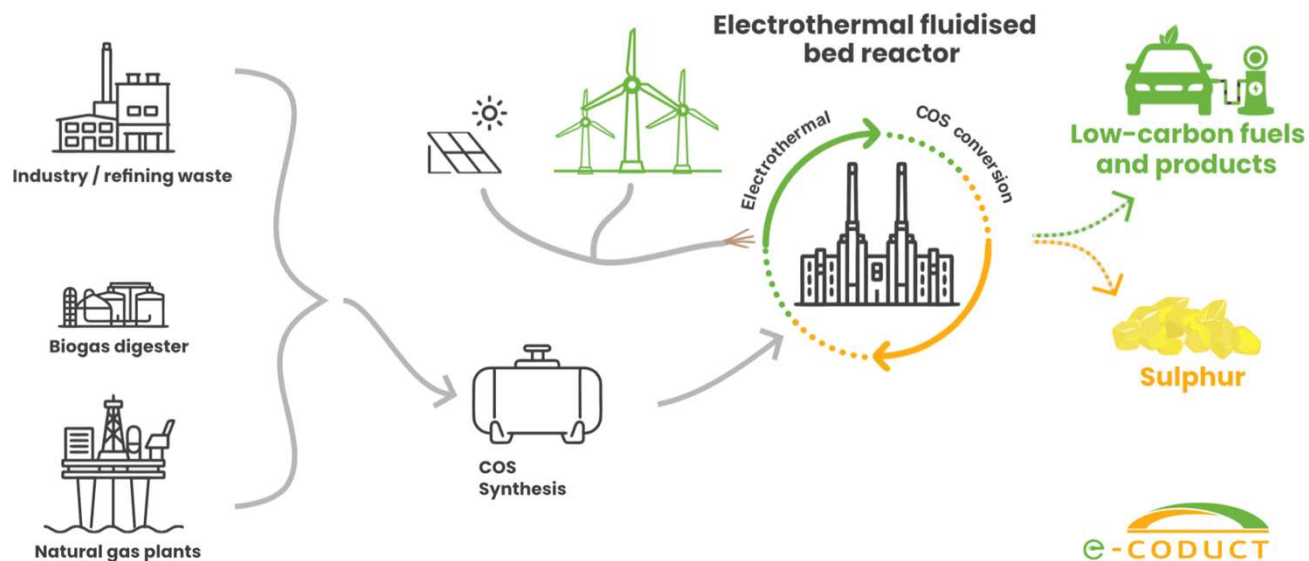
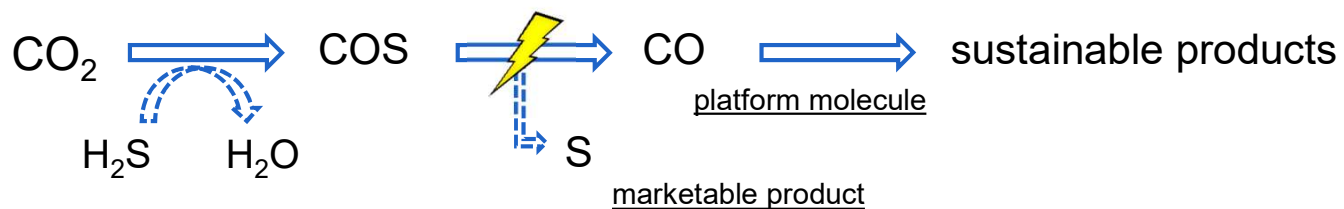
- current CO<sub>2</sub> reduction technologies require highly pure streams
- no existing technologies for simultaneous CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>S reduction
- making more feedstock sources available



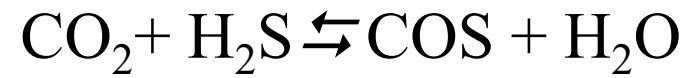
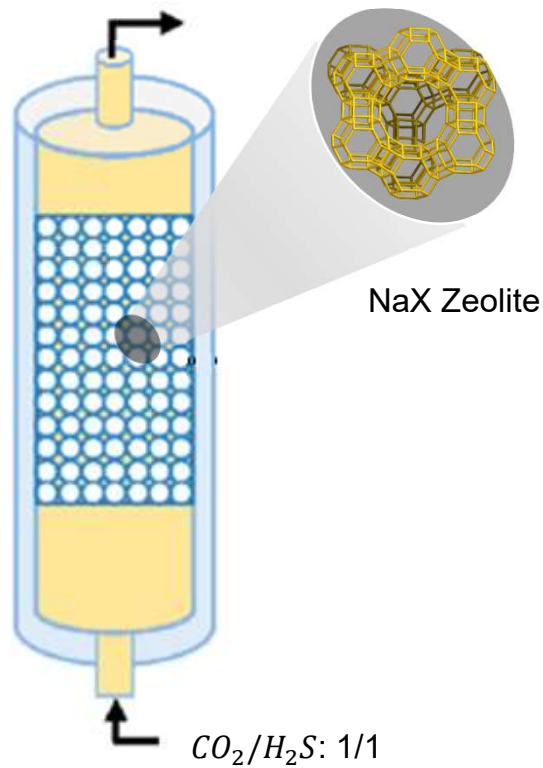
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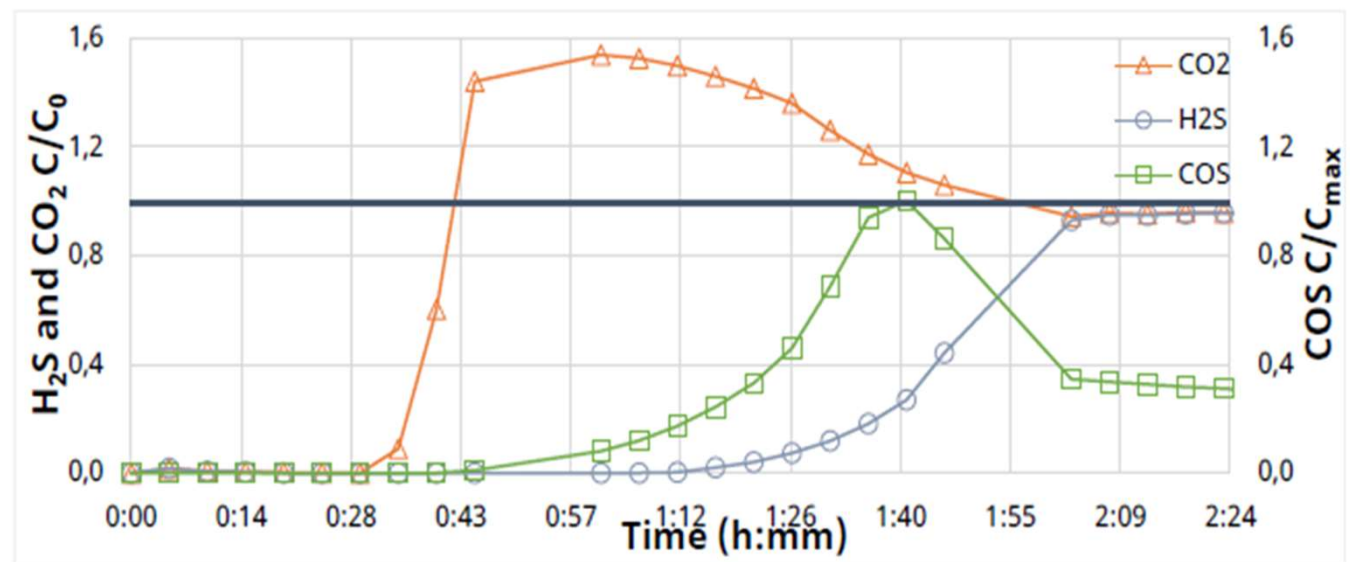
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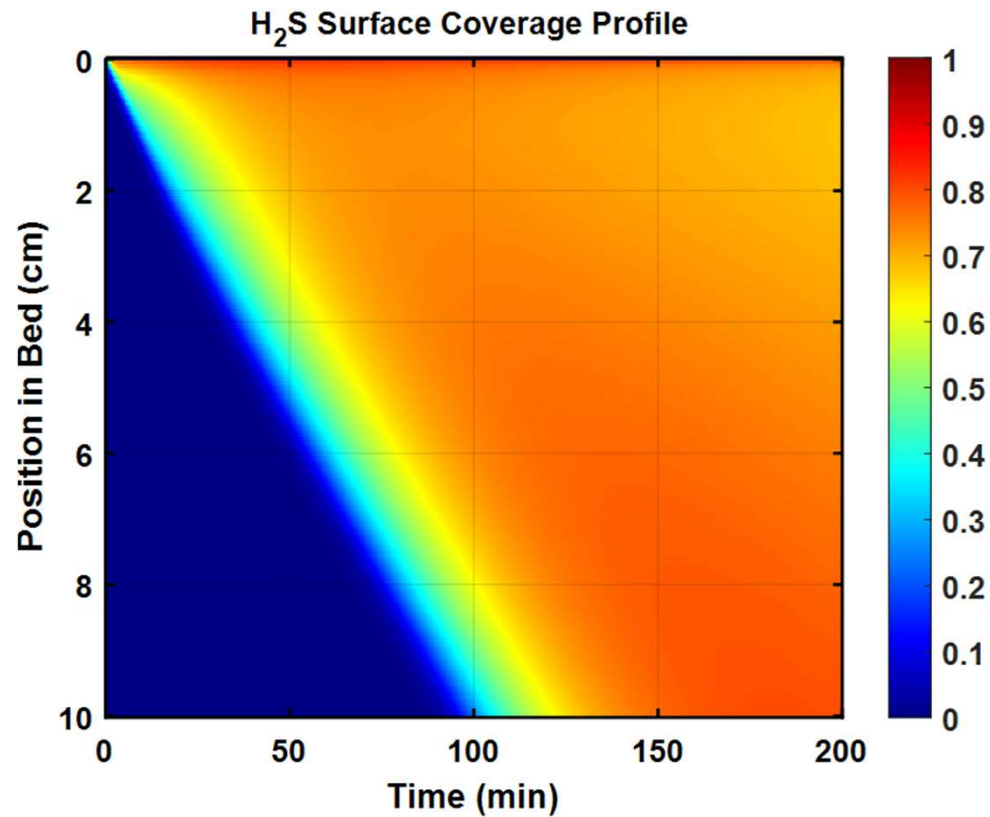
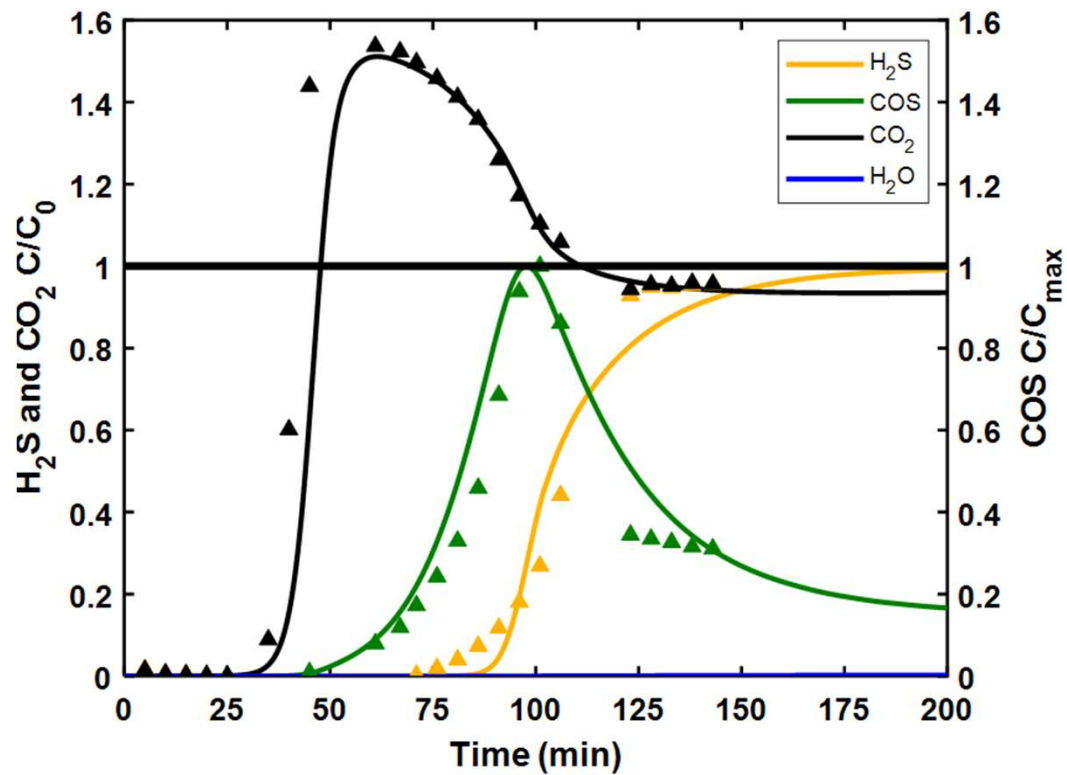
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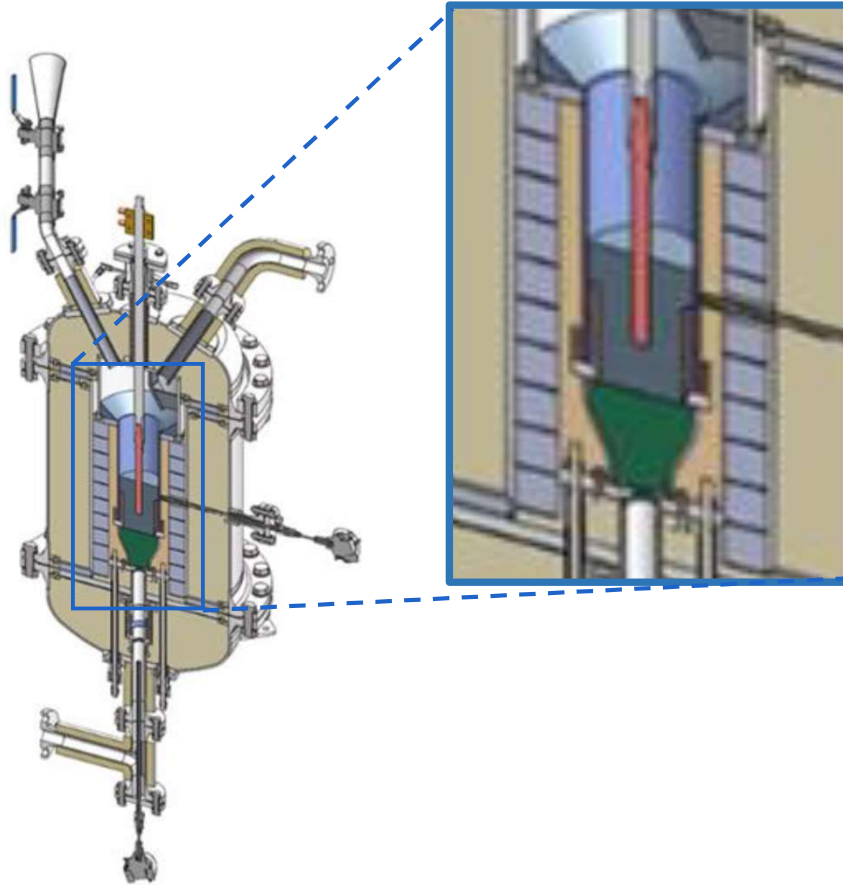


# COS synthesis: modeling





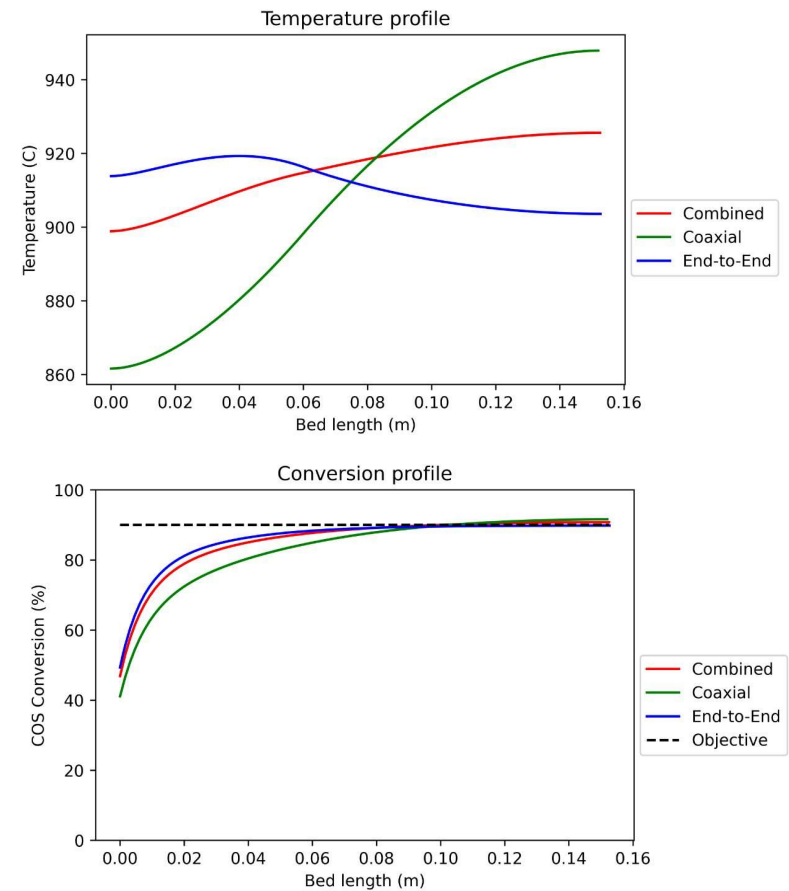
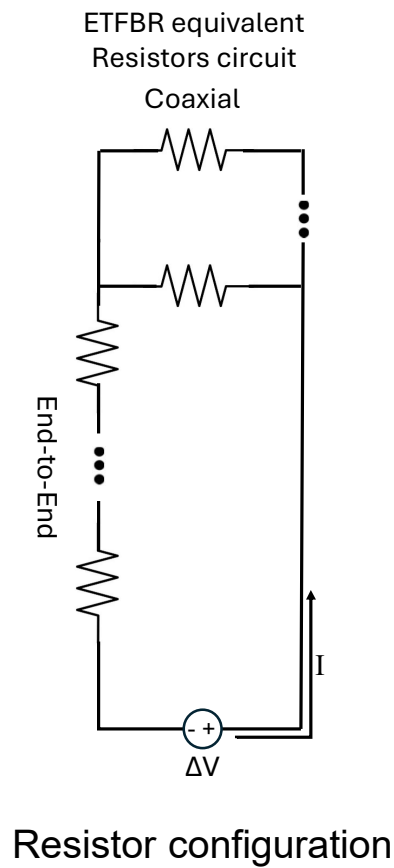
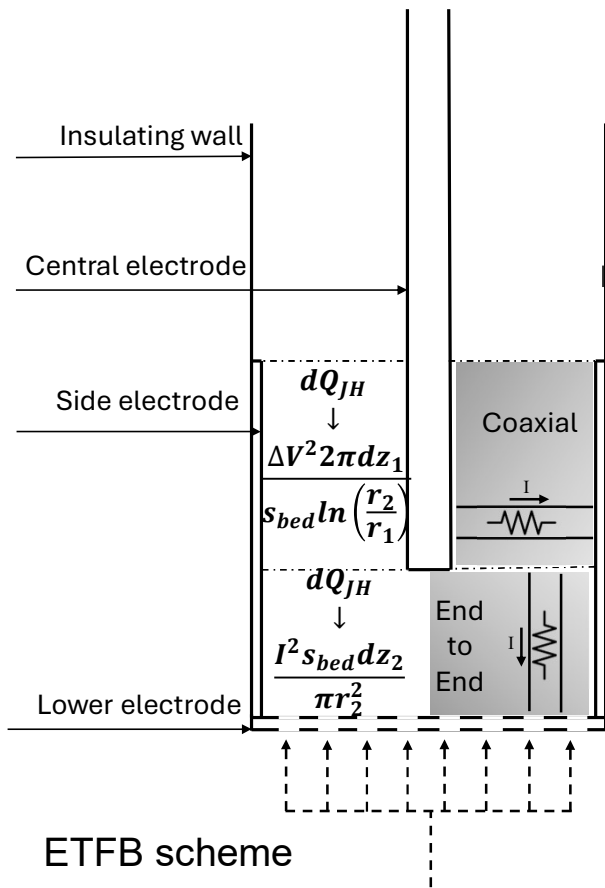
# COS decomposition



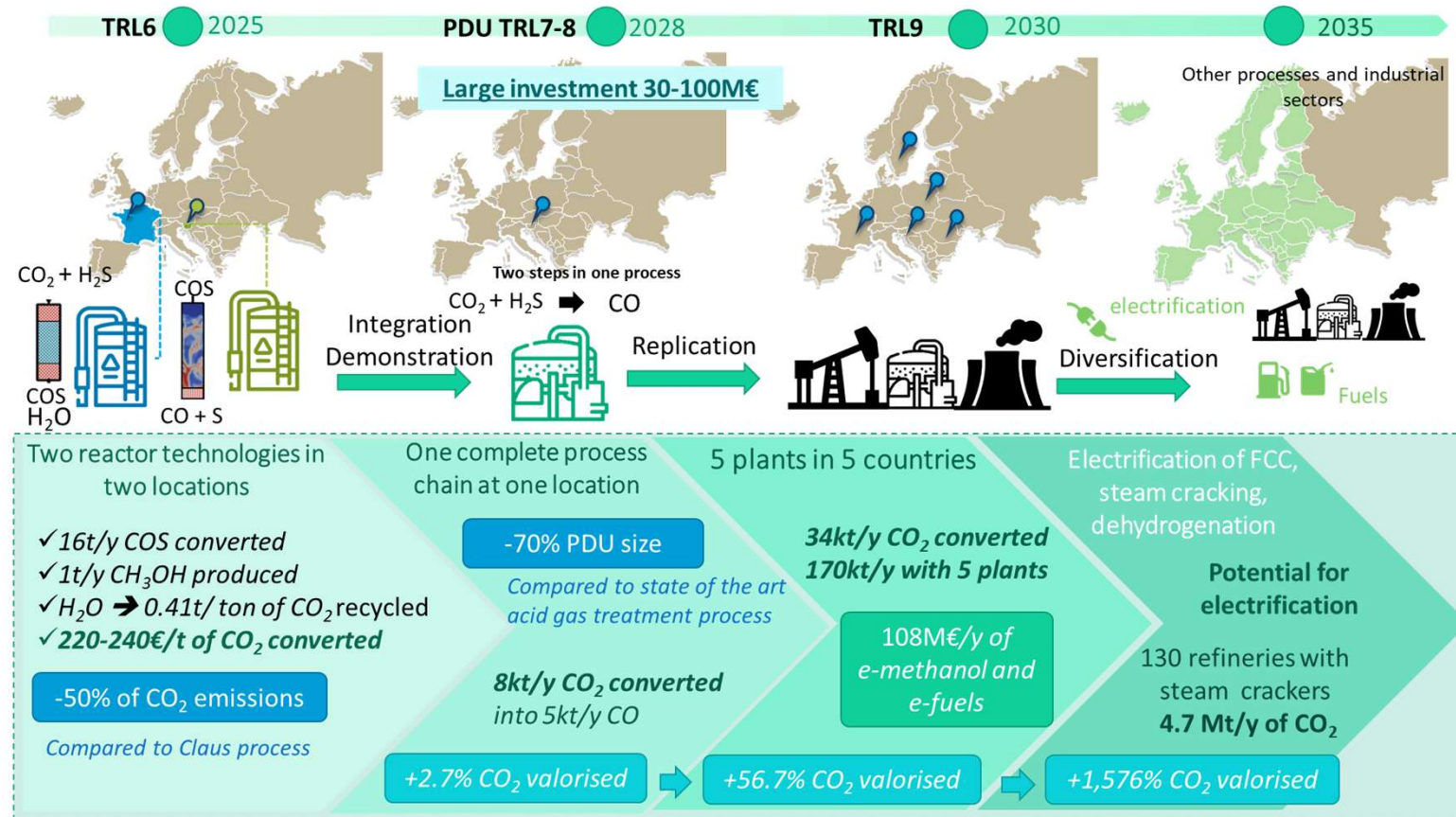
- COS decomposition to CO and sulphur
- temperatures up to 800-1200 °C
- in situ heat generation by joule heating



# e-CODUCT – ETFB modelling



# e-CODUCT valorization roadmap



# conclusions, opportunities and perspectives

- chemical reactor electrification
  - more than connecting an electric heater to the grid
  - reasoning from the inside
  - CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction
  - integration in a process
  - ...
- challenges
  - few large-scale vs many small-scale applications
  - electricity availability
  - impact on the chemistry
  - ...

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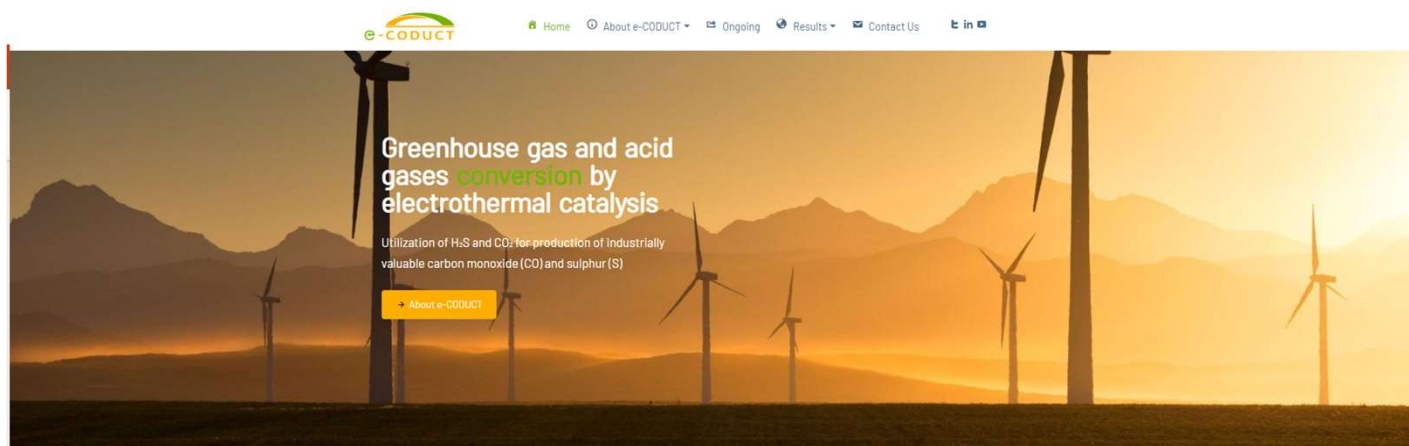


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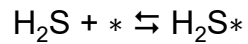
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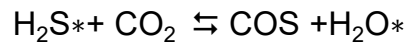


# Modified ER Mechanism

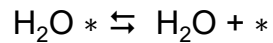
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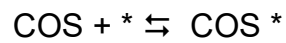
$$r_1 = k_1^+ C_{\text{H}_2\text{S}} \theta_* - k_1^- \theta_{\text{H}_2\text{S}}$$



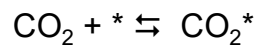
$$r_2 = k_2^+ C_{\text{CO}_2} \theta_{\text{H}_2\text{S}^*} - k_2^- \theta_{\text{H}_2\text{O}^*} \theta_{\text{COS}}$$



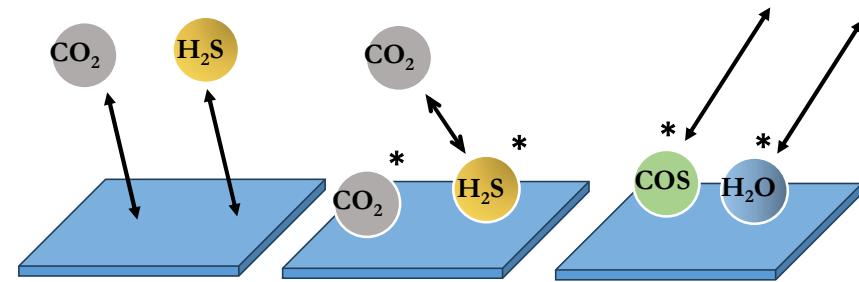
$$r_3 = k_3^+ \theta_{\text{H}_2\text{O}^*} - k_3^- C_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \theta_*$$



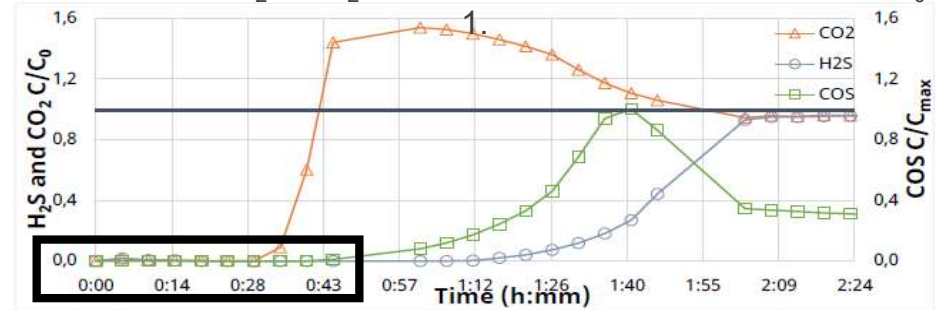
$$r_4 = k_4^+ \theta_{\text{COS}} - k_4^- C_{\text{COS}} \theta_*$$



$$r_5 = k_5^+ C_{\text{CO}_2} \theta_* - k_5^- \theta_{\text{CO}_2}$$



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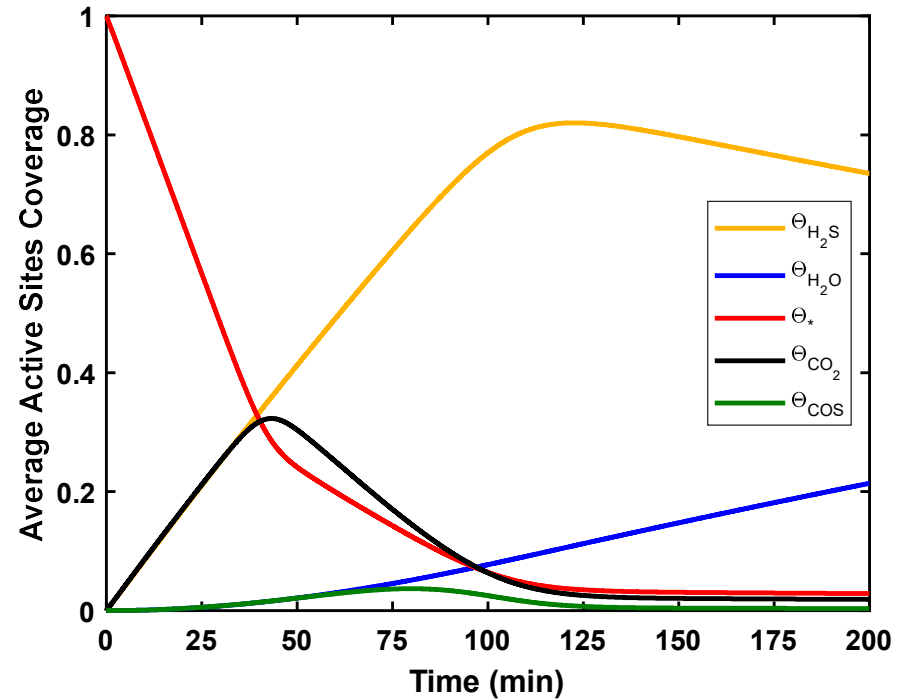
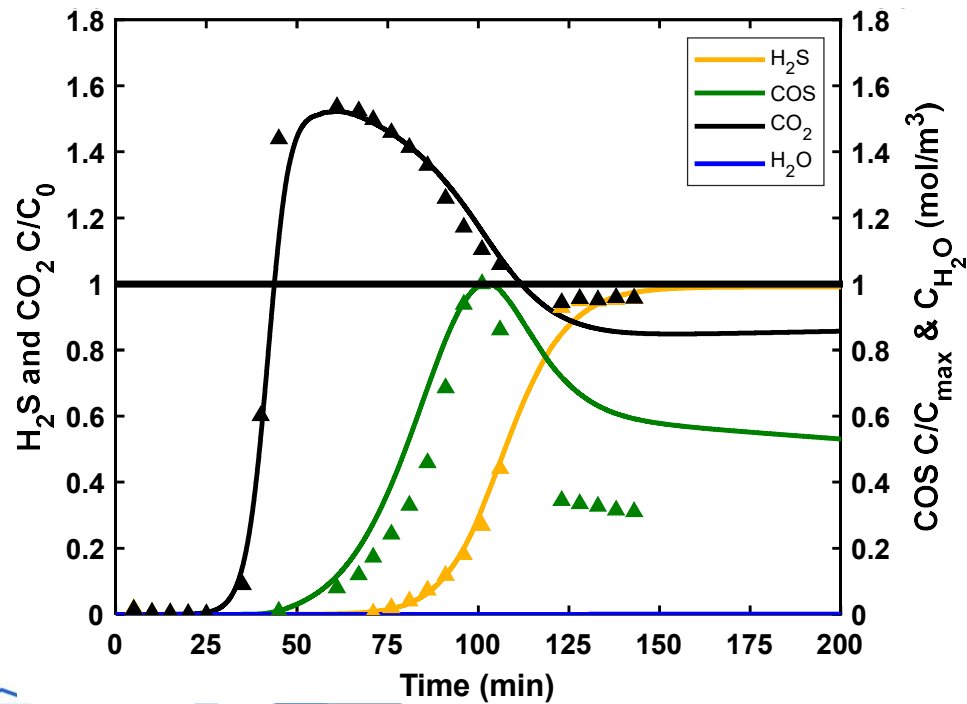


CO<sub>2</sub> and COS retention is accounted

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# Modified ER Mechanism: Results

Feed mixture of H<sub>2</sub>S:CO<sub>2</sub>=1:1 on 13X at 45°C. Thick line at C/C<sub>0</sub> = 1.

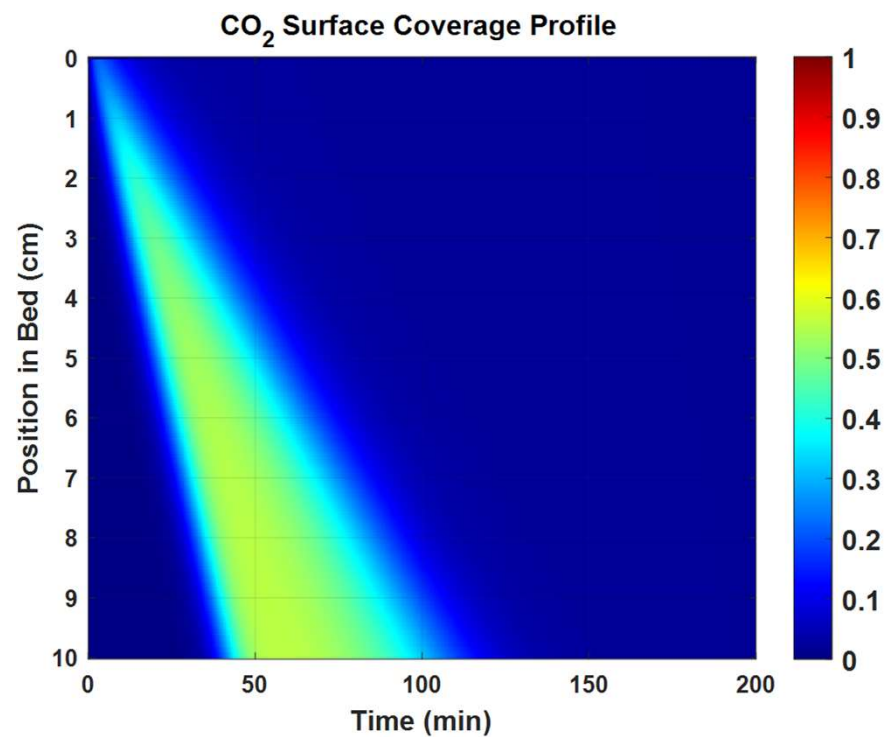
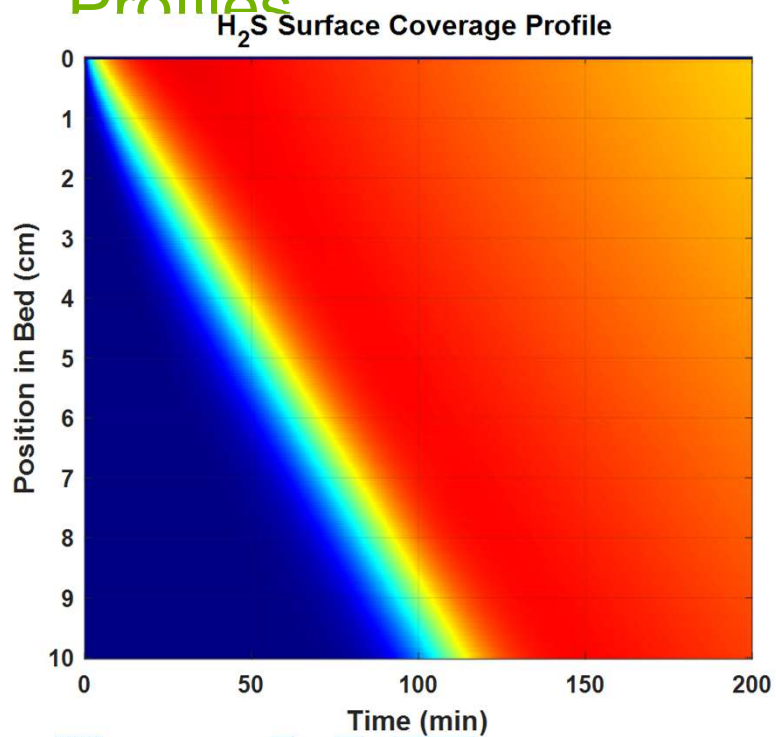


$k_{H_2S}^{ads}$	$k_{H_2S}^{des}$	$k_r^f$	$k_r^r$	$k_{H_2O}^{des}$	$k_{H_2O}^{ads}$	$k_{CO_2}^{ads}$	$k_{CO_2}^{des}$	$k_{COS}^{des}$	$k_{COS}^{ads}$
1E-3	1.8E-4	5.5E-6	1E-7	1E-4	1	6E-4	4E-3	3E-3	1E-3

# Modified ER Mechanism: Results – Reactant

## Profiles

Feed mixture of  $\text{H}_2\text{S}:\text{CO}_2=1:1$  on 13X at  $45^\circ\text{C}$ . Thick line at  $C/C_0 = 1$ .



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