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Oxidative conversion of methane on shaped catalyst

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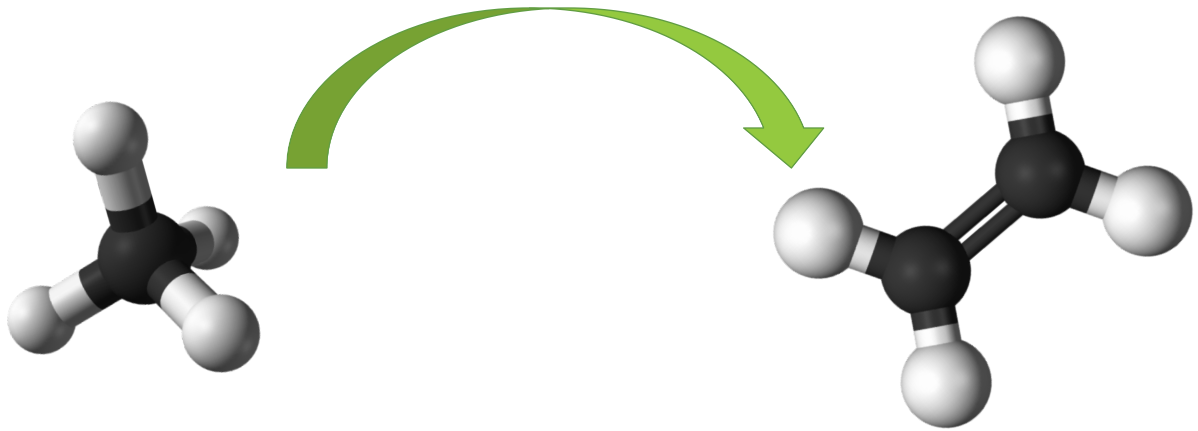

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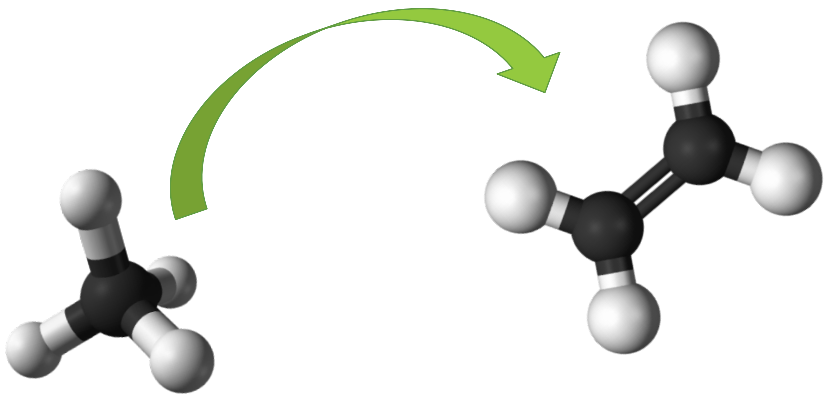

Introduction

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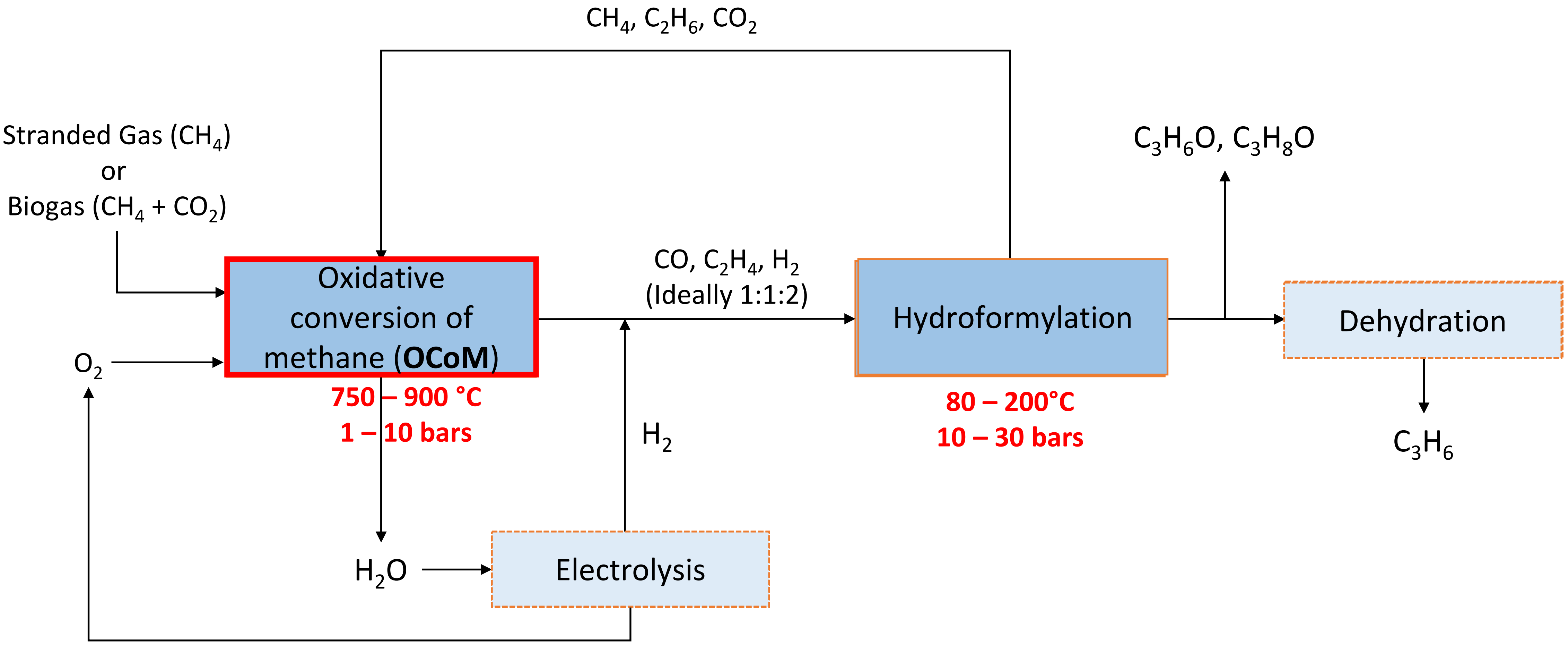
- **CNRS tasks in C123**



Introduction

- **OCoM specifications**

Development of OCoM catalyst

10 bars CO_2 feed

Equimolar C_2H_4/CO effluent

Best activity-selectivity trade-off

Long term stability

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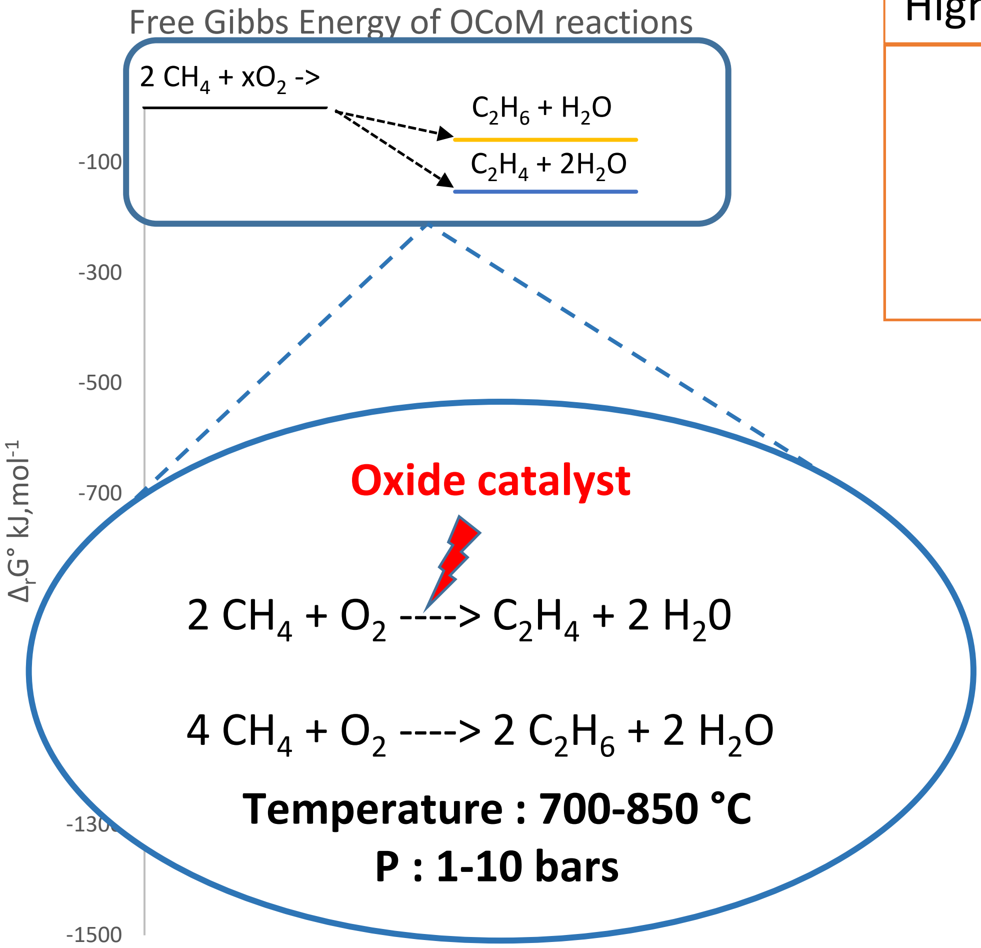
- **OCoM reaction**

Introduced by Keller and Bhasin in 1982



High exothermicity

1 $\Delta_r G°(800°C) = -59\ kJ.mol^{-1}$

2 $\Delta_r G°(800°C) = -153\ kJ.mol^{-1}$

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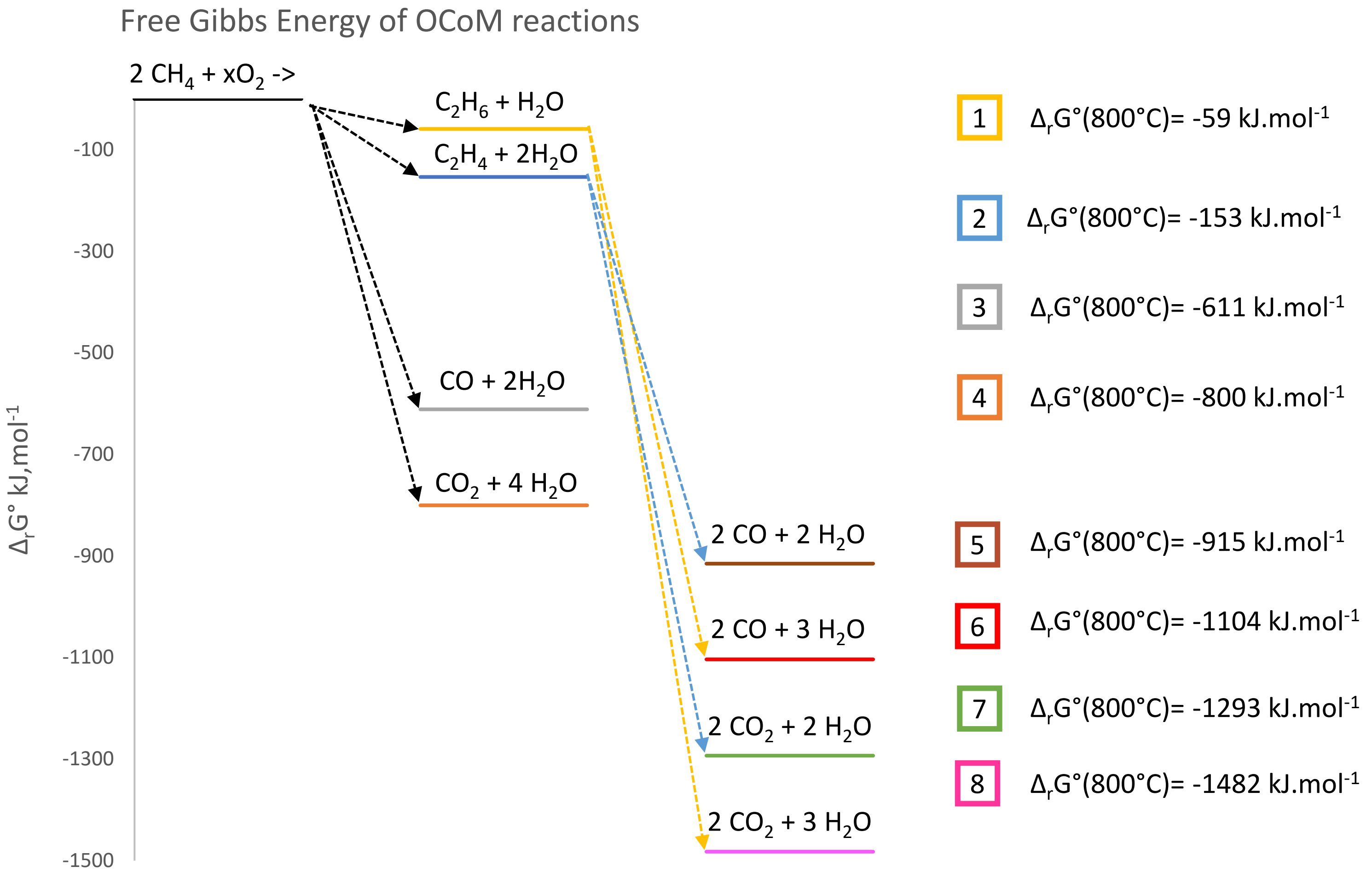
Total oxidations are thermodynamically favored



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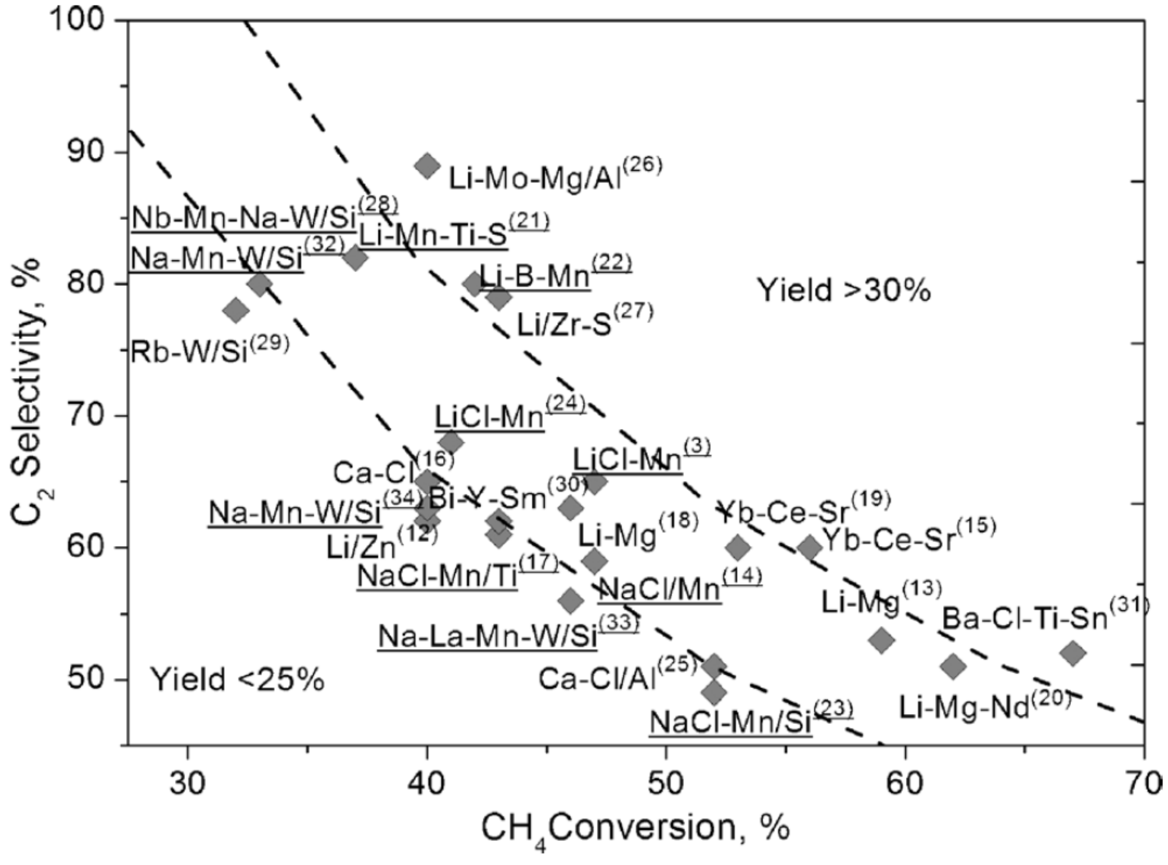
- **OCM state of the art catalysts**

Mn- & La-based catalyst

- Good C2 yield (selectivity vs activity)
- Good thermal stability (harsh operating conditions)
- Unsupported (powder) catalysts



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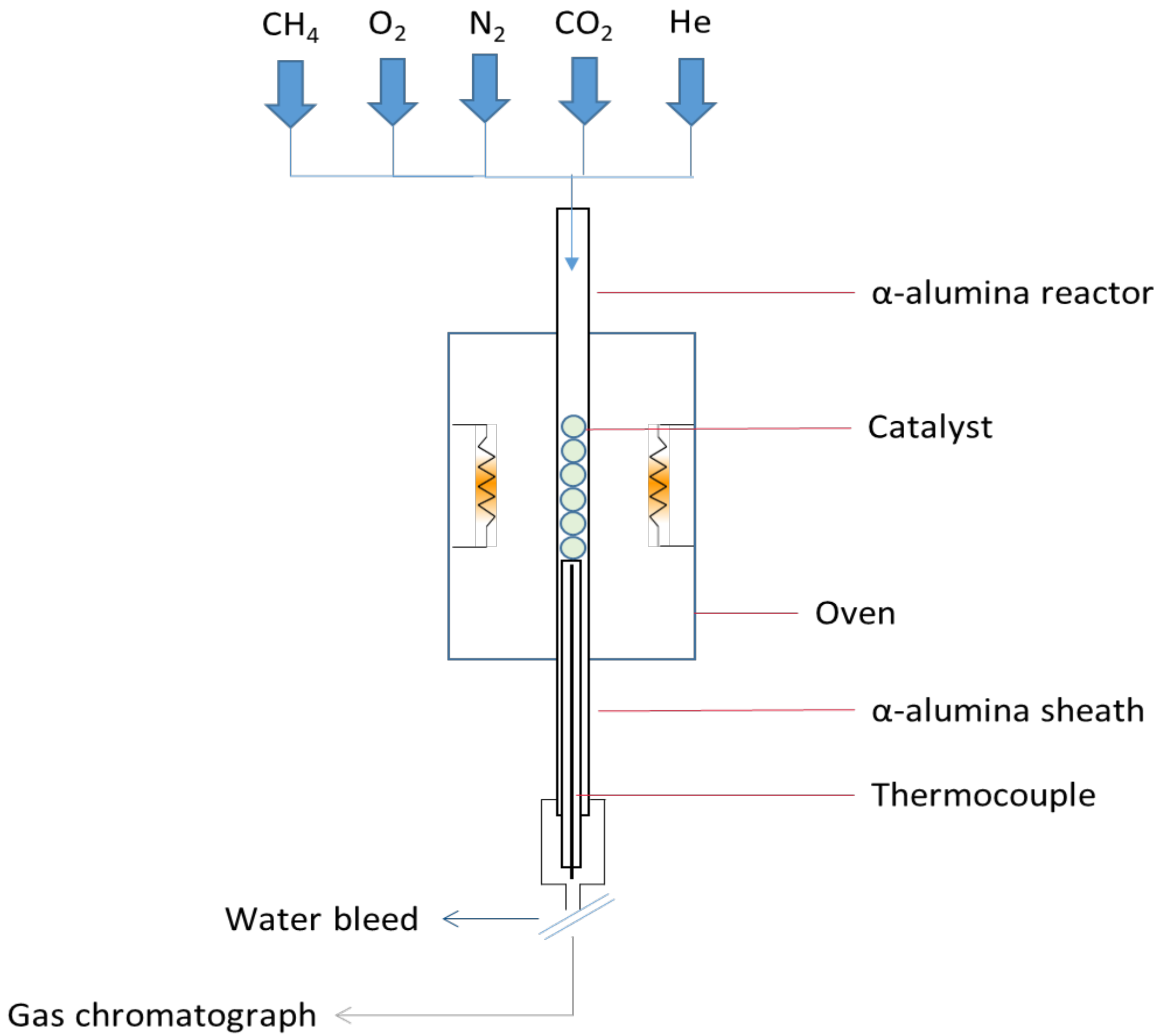
- **Objective for OCoM**

Development of a supported catalyst

- Catalytically inert at high temperature
- Good thermal conductivity (exothermicity)
- Without mass transfert limitation

Introduction

- **Test rig**



Standard testing conditions

- **High Temperature:** 800°C (up to 900°C)
- **Medium Pressure:** up to 10 bars
- **Reactor diameter**: 3 – 6 mm
- **Inlet composition**: CH4: O2: N2: CO2/He = 60: 15: 15: 10
- **GHSV**: 2,000-9,000 h^{-1}
- Either **powder** or **supported** catalysts loading

Results for powders

Operating conditions

Temperature: 800 °C

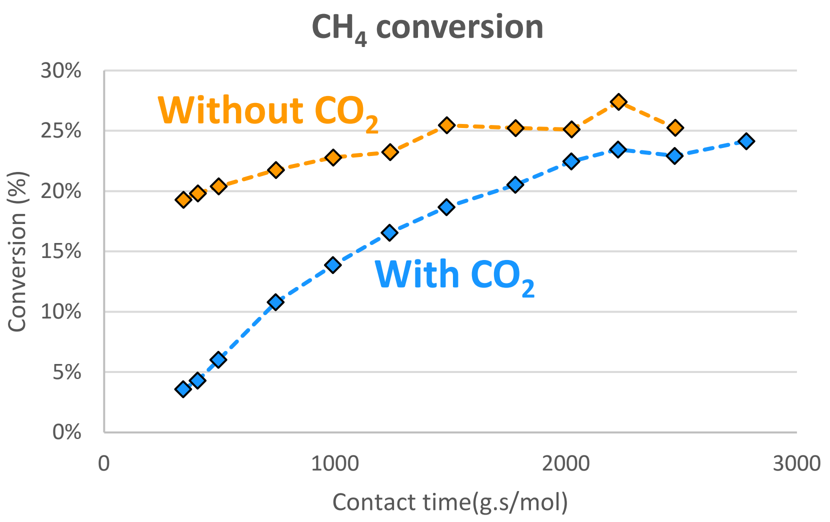
Pressure: 1->3 atm

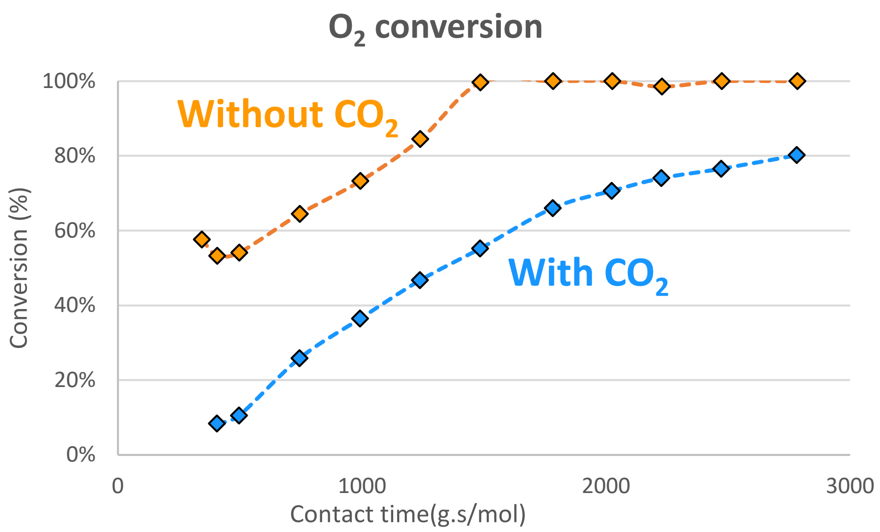
Dilution: 5 %wt of catalyst with 95 %wt SiO_2

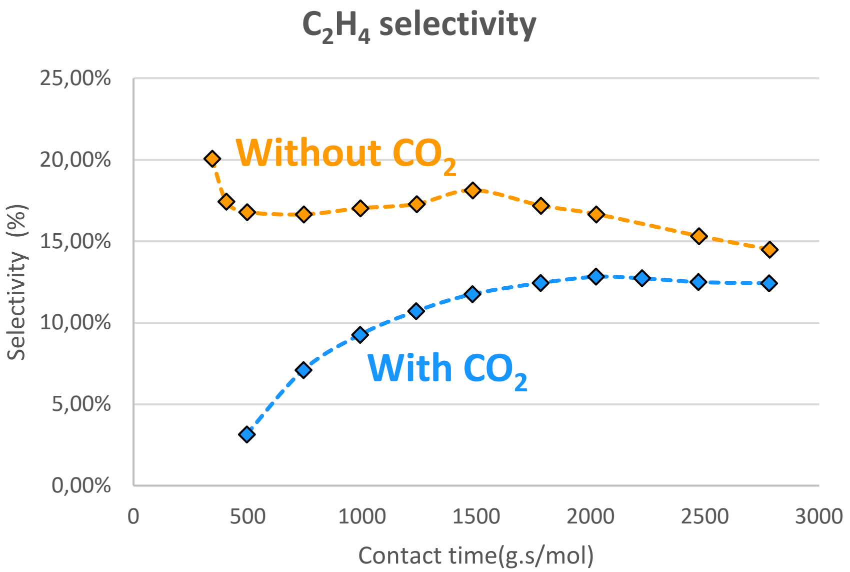
Catalyst: Mn-based / La-based (**powder**)

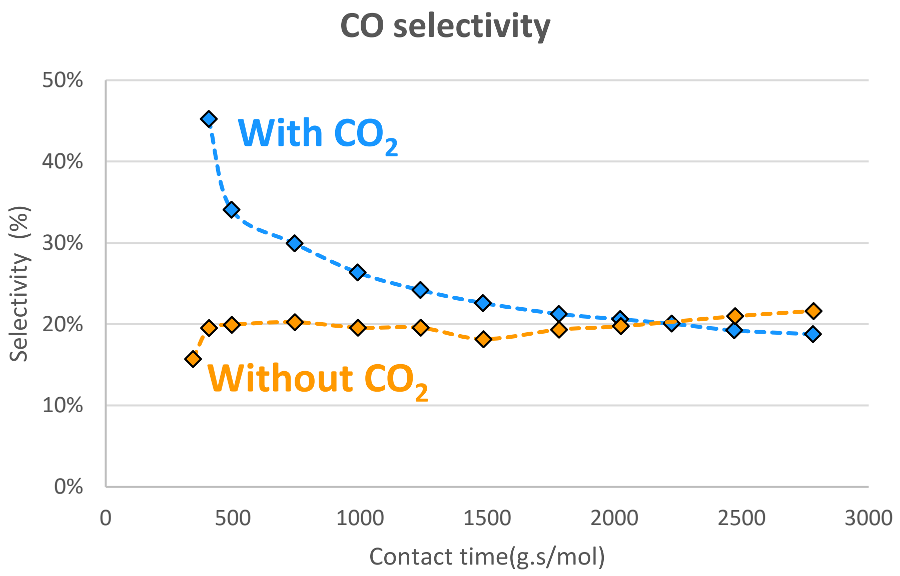
Without CO_2	With CO_2
Feed: CH_4, O_2, N_2, **He** (60/15/15/10 %Vol)	Feed: CH_4, O_2, N_2, **CO_2** (60/15/15/10 %Vol)

Powders - **La-based** catalyst / Effect of CO_2



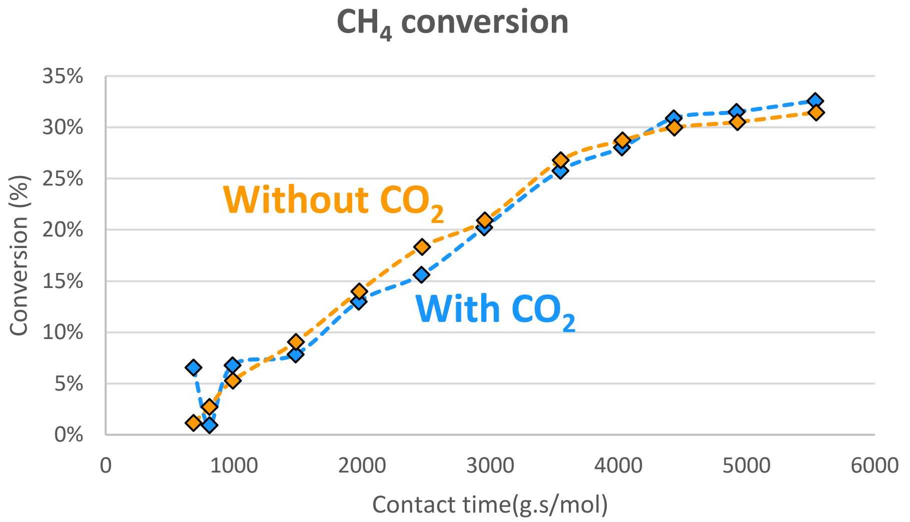


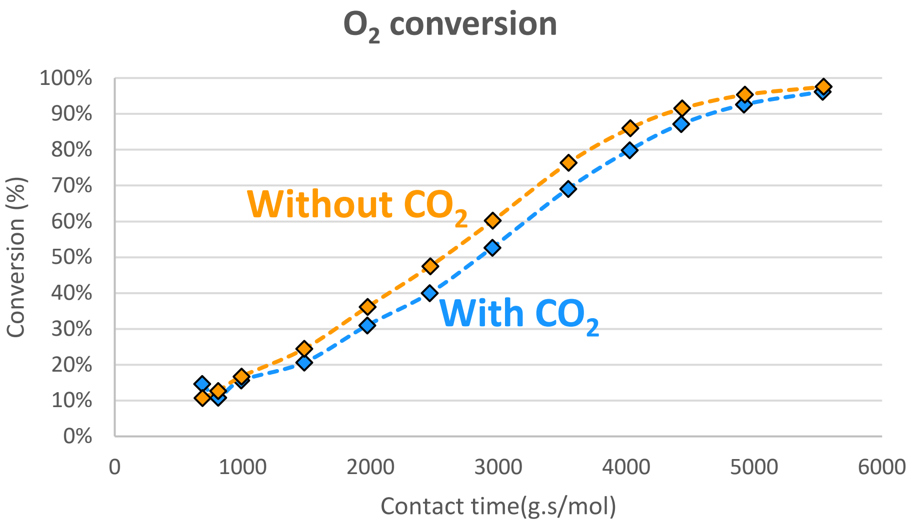


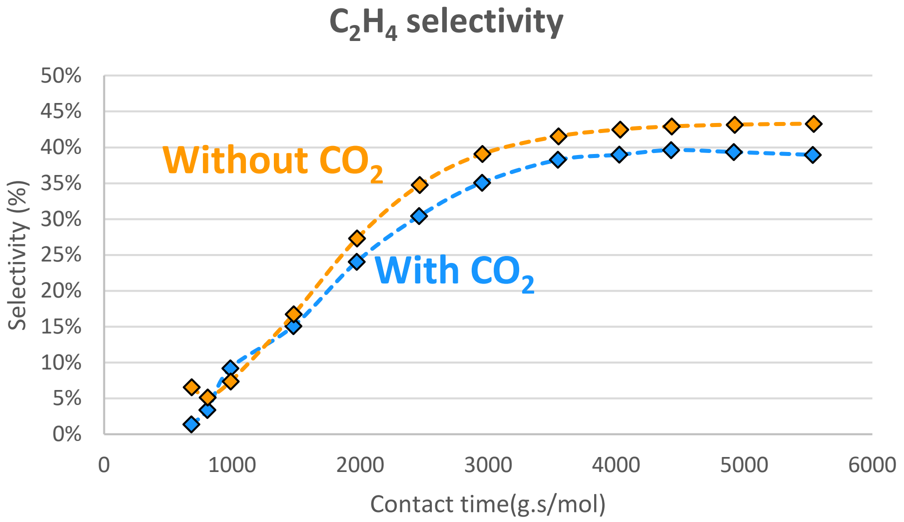


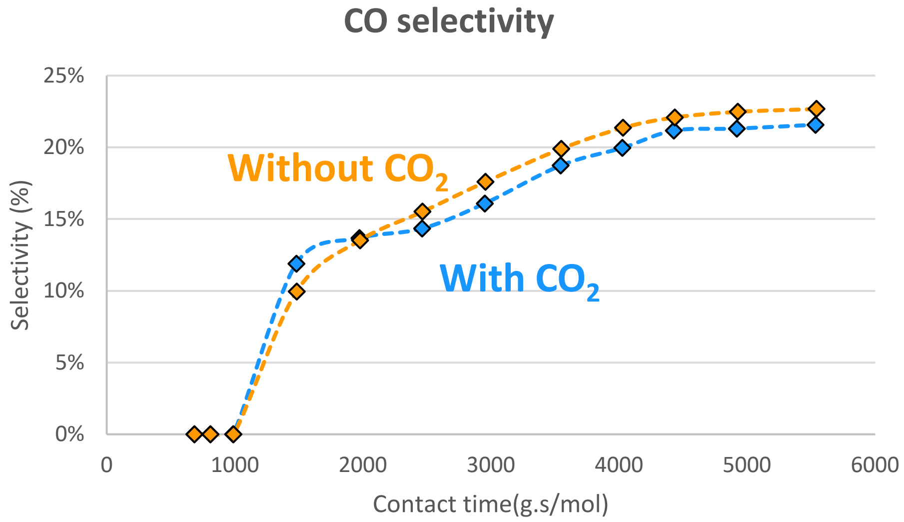
- ➢ La-based catalysts are affected by the addition of CO_2

Powders - **Mn-based** catalyst / Effect of CO_2



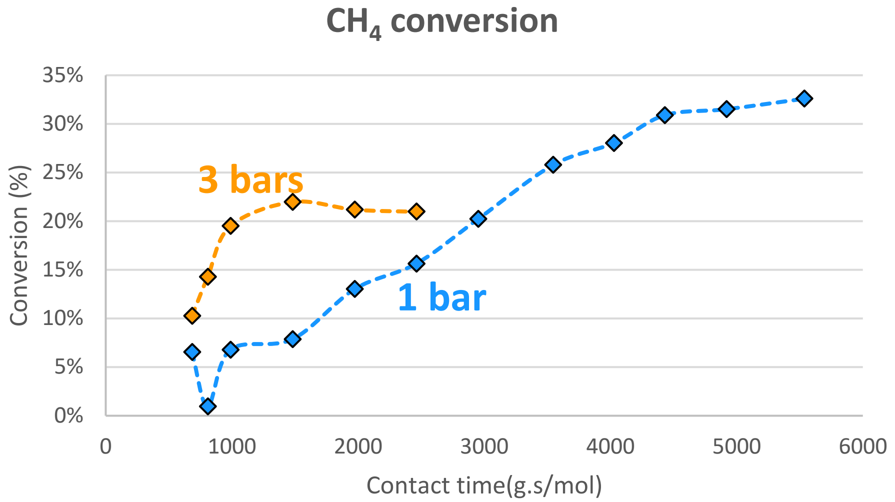


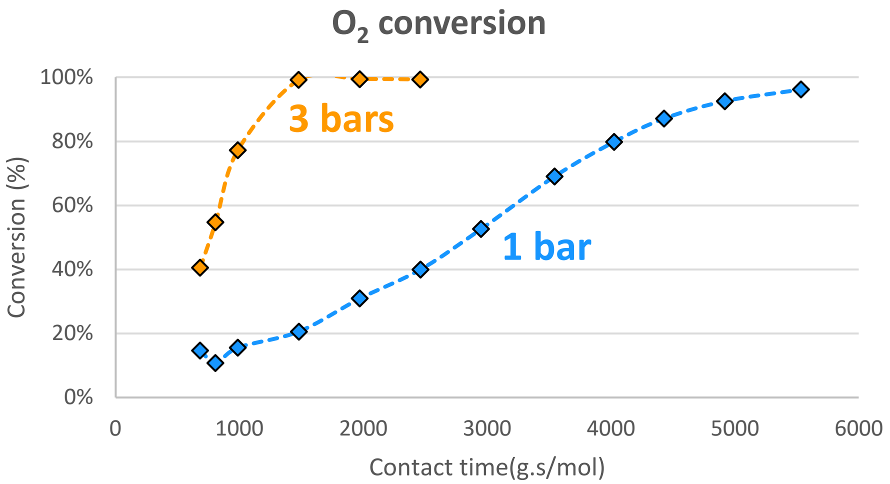


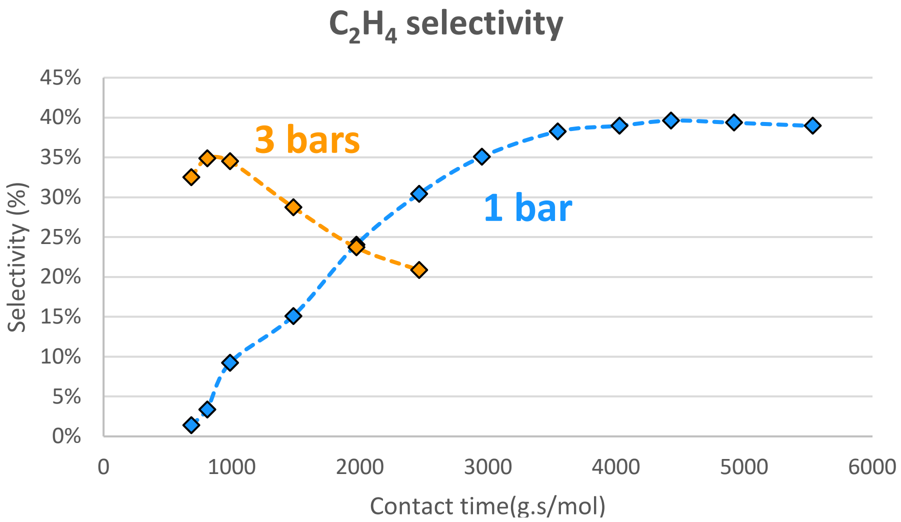


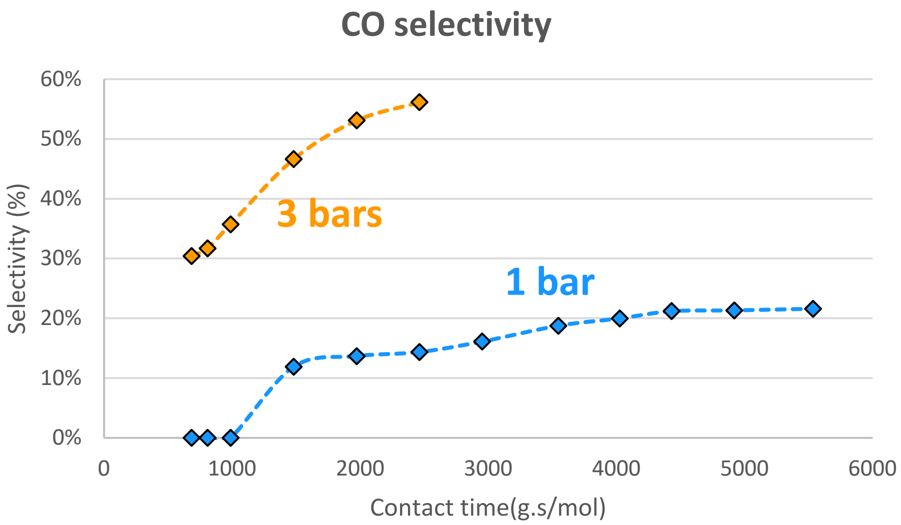
- Negligeable effect of CO_2 on Mn-based catalyst performance
- No deactivation noticed after 1 day of reaction

Test on Powders - **Mn-based** catalyst /Effect of **Pressure** in the presence of CO_2





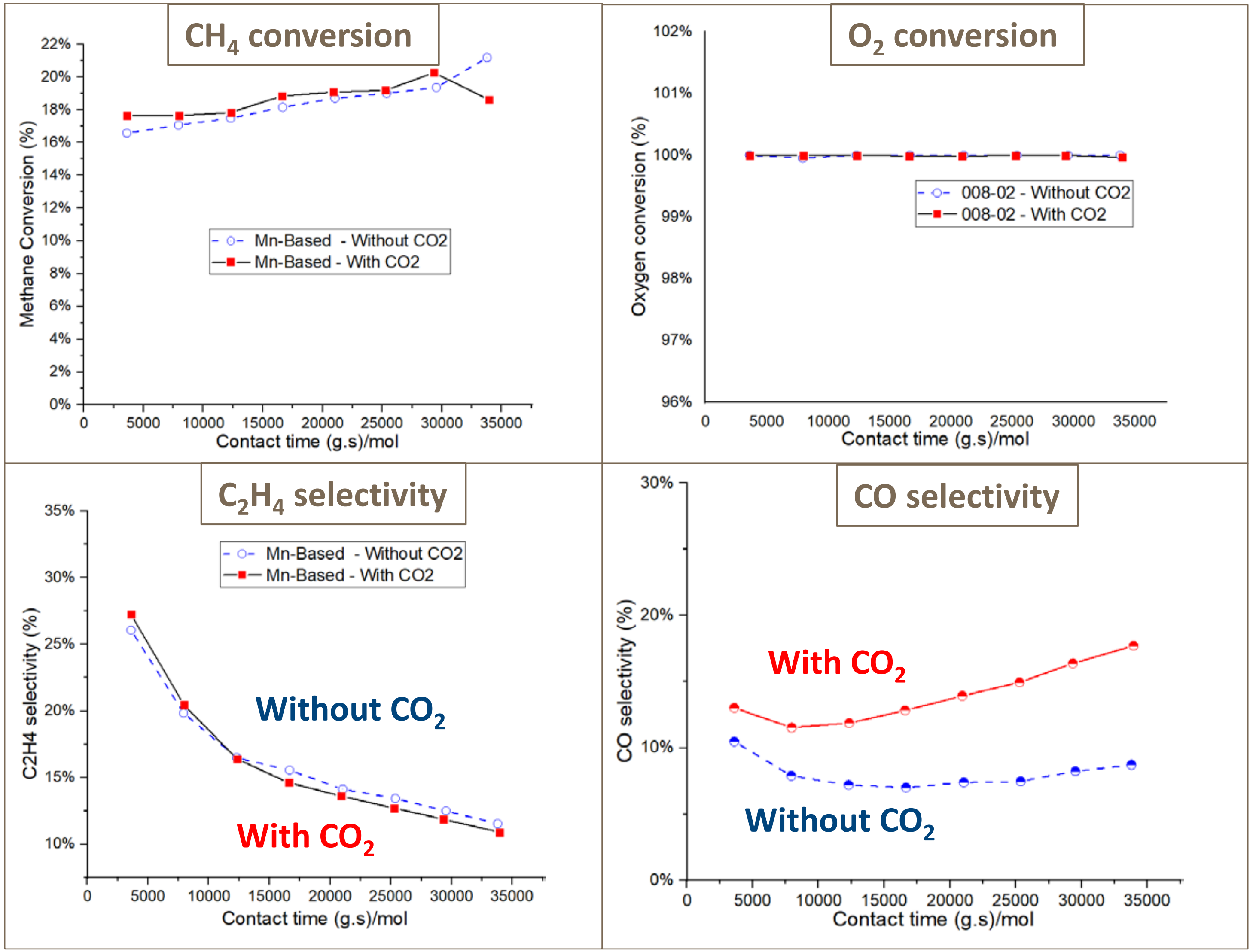




- From 1 to 3 bars: x3 activity
- Higher CO selectivity with pressure increase
- Higher pressure (>= 6 bars) do not seem adequate for the OCoM (C_2H_4 selectivity decrease)

Test on supported catalyst

Test on supported catalyst / Effect of CO_2 on Mn-Shaped



CO2 influence

No negative impact on C_2H_4 productivity

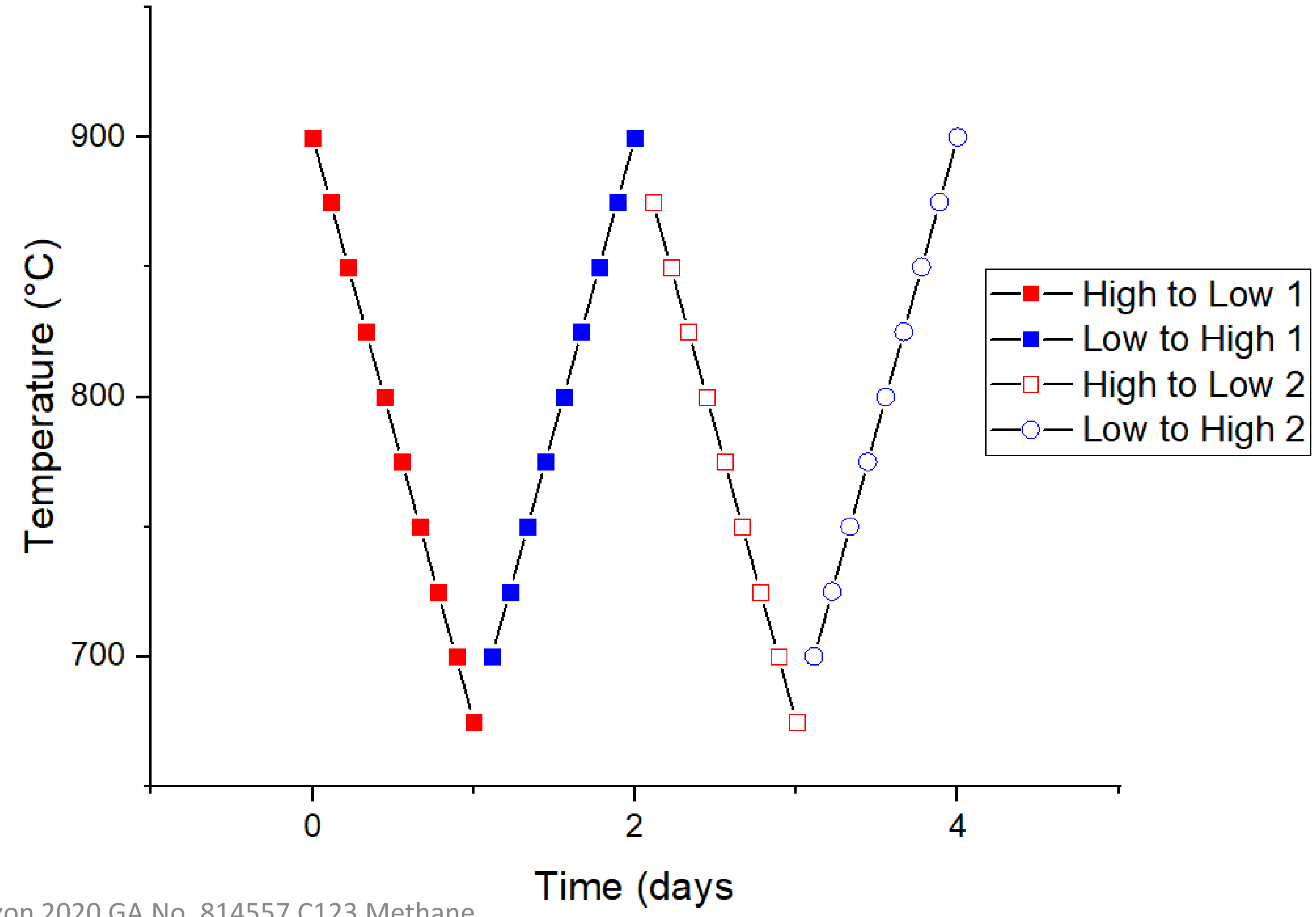
Slight increase of CO selectivity

Higher concentration of CO_2 (up to 40%) were tested with no catalyst deactivation

Test on Shaped catalyst / Effect of **Temperature** on Mn-Shaped

- Temperature influence on **Mn-Shaped**

  - Wide temperature range (900°C- 675°C)
  - 3 bars with 10%vol of CO_2
  - Test over 4 days



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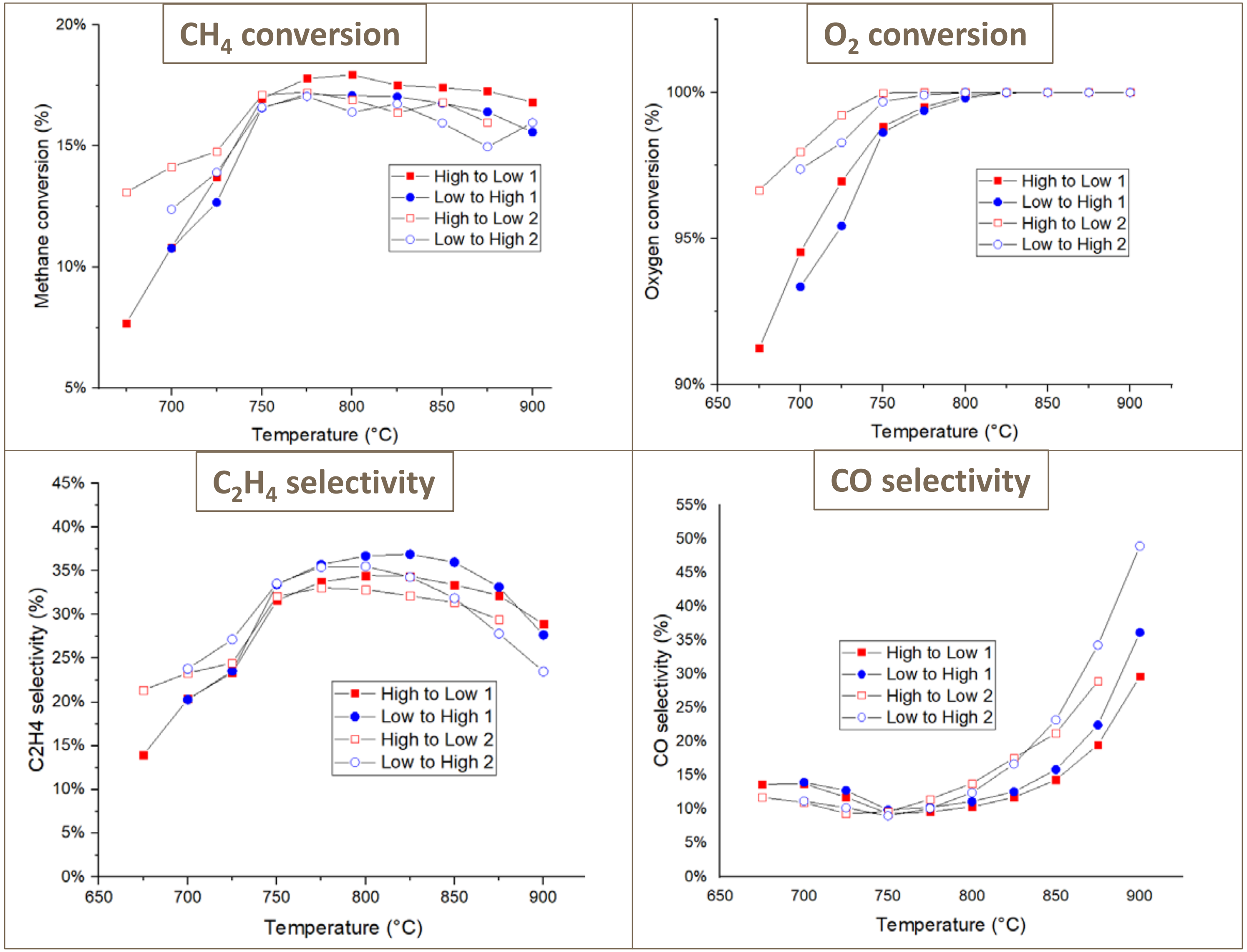

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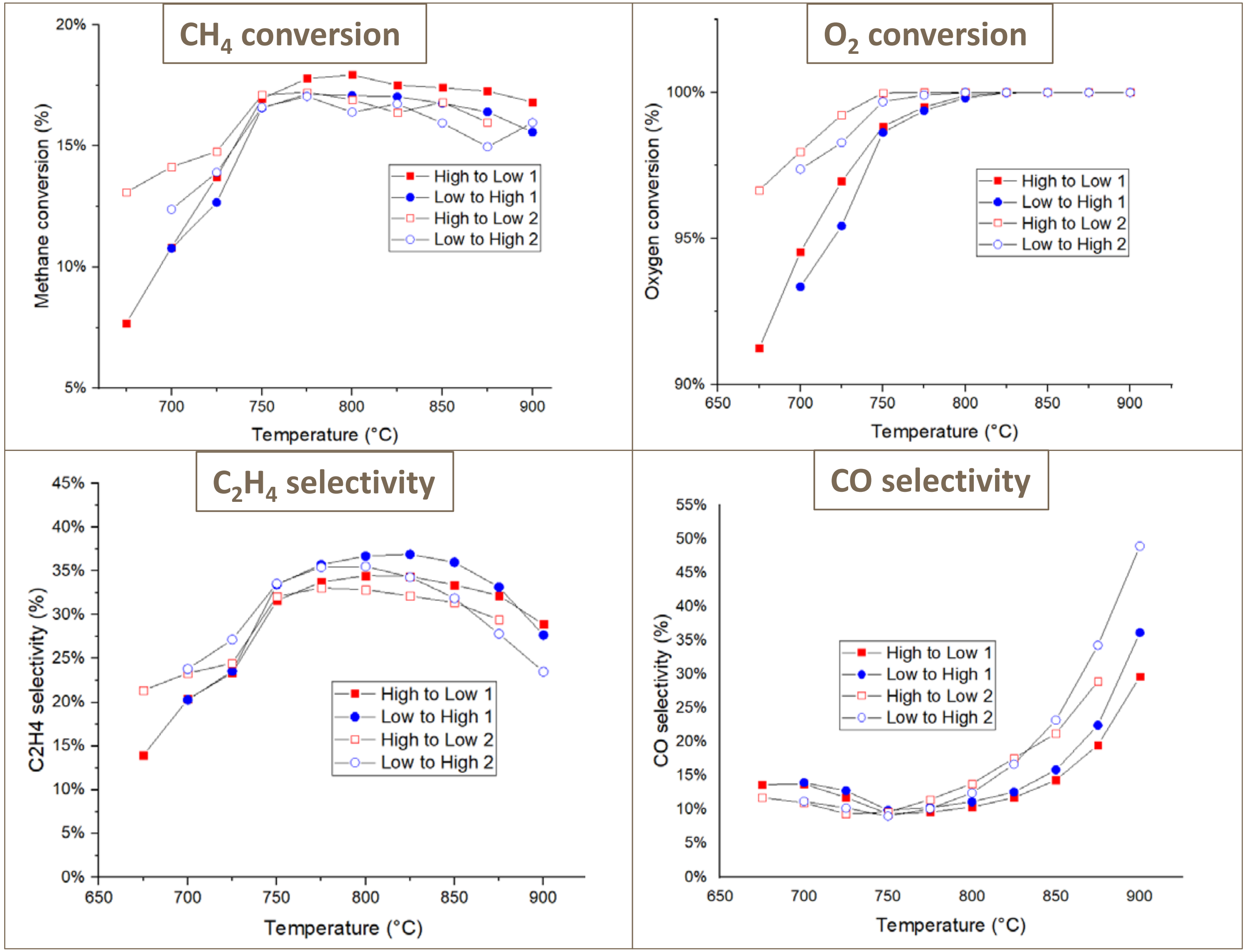

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⚠ Coke formation in the reactor

✔ **Another run between 750-850°C without coke formation**

Conclusions & Perspective

- From powder to supported catalyst
  - A good C_2H_4 and CO selectivity was maintained with the shaping
  - No deactivation through inlet CO_2 composition was noticed (up to 40% inlet concentration)
  - Thermal stability appears to be good for the supported catalyst

- Perspective
  - Scale-up to industrial pilot
  - Long-term stability test
  - Mechanism study, kinetic modeling

Thank you for your attention!

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