BIGCCS Centre

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BIGCCS Centre in a nutshell

- Duration: 8 years (5+3)
- ≻Partners:

≻Web:

>Budget: NOK 450 mill, ~€57 million

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- Funding: RCN: 50%, Ind.: 25%, Host: 25%
- Host inst.: SINTEF Energy Research
 - www.bigccs.no







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BIGCCS Vision

The vision of the BIGCCS Centre is to contribute to the ambitious targets in the Climate Agreement Act adopted by the Norwegian Parliament in February 2008 – to increase the efforts in CCS.

BIGCCS Overall Objectives

- The BIGCCS Centre will enable sustainable power generation from fossil fuels based on cost-effective CO₂ capture, and safe transport and underground storage of CO₂.
- This will be achieved by building expertise and closing critical knowledge gaps of the CO₂ chain, and developing novel technologies in an extensive collaborative research effort.
- International co-operation, global CCS R&D provider and partner





BIGCCS Centre structure









CO₂ Capture Hydrogen Combustion

- Combustion of hydrogen rich mixtures, focus is on stable and safe flame propagation in lean pre-mixed (LPM) combustion at gas turbine condition
- Achievements: completed 1st direct numerical simulation (DNS) of a premixed H₂air flame
- Revealed a previously unknown feature of near-wall flame propagation
- Also observed experimentally by laboratory PIVmeasurements at TUM.





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CO₂ Transport: CO₂ pipeline integrity

- The objective is to contribute to safe and cost effective CO₂ transport and avoid running ductile fractures in pipelines pressurised with CO₂ and CO₂ mixtures
- A fluid-structure fracture assessment model is under development:
 - Coupled structural and fluid models
 - Thermodynamical and fluid dynamical models
 - Thermodynamics for CO₂ and mixtures of CO₂
 - Phase transfer
 - Fluid dynamics
 - Numerical models
 - Fracture resistance models



SP3 CO₂ storage

qualification and management of storage



monitoring, leakage and remediation

storage behaviour









CO₂ Storage Qualification and management of storage resources Storage capacity estimation

- Static and dynamic models for storage capacity estimations need improvements.
- Case studies on realistic storage sites show strong dependence on boundary conditions (open, closed, partly open).



CO₂ saturation around injection wells Pressure development during same injection period





CO₂ Storage

Qualification and management of storage resources Storage capacity improvement

Water production for pressure management

- Additional opportunities for monitoring and remediation of possible leakage
- Case studies on pressure development (Johansen and Utsira) where pressure is being controlled by water production shows clear potential of improving storage capacity



CO₂ plume development with simultaneous





CO₂ Storage

Storage Behavior - Convective mixing of CO₂

- New rigorous theoretical results for onset time for convection.
- Theoretical and numerical up-scaling studies of convective mixing for homogenous and heterogeneous media.
- Planned 2D movie of convective mixing in 2D cell using Schlieren photography.





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Onset of convection in layered aquifer



2D cell

BIGCCS - Chemical Looping Combustion (BIGCLC)



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Target:150kW – pressurised vessel

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SP5 BIGCCS Academia

BIGCCS Centre		Phase 1		Phase 2		Phase 3			Title Chart	Supervisor
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	The - Short	Supervisor
SP1 - CO2 Capture										
Task 1.1: CO2 Separation			PhD						Absorption in precipitating systems	Andreassen
	PhD								Dyn. mod. of the absorption process	Hillestad
Task 1.2: High temp.		PhD							Char. of mixed proton cond. materials	Haugsrud
membranes		PhD							Membrane materials stability	Grande
Task 1.3: Hydrogen combustion		PhD							Efficient chemistry impl. hybrid comb.	Gran
	Post.doc								Valid. hybrid model against H2 flames	Gran
	PhD								Prevention of flame stabilization	Sattelmayer
	PhD PhD								Improv. syngas-air fine scale mixing	Sattelmayer
Task 1.4: Oxy-fuel		PhD							Oxy-combustion in CCS schemes	Gundersen
combustion							Post.doc		Pressurized oxy-fuel combustor	Gran
Task 1.5: Ind. applic.		PhD							Nano-structured (low T) membranes	Hägg
Task 1.6: Integrated			PhD						Mod. & integr. of reformer w/sorption	Jakobsen
assessment						Post.	doc		Benchmarking methods & processes	Bolland
SP2 - CO2 Transport										
Task 2.1: CO2 pipeline integrity			PhD						Thermo- & fluid dyn. mod. CO2 decompr.	Gran
					PhD				Mod. fracture resistance in pipelines	Thaulow
							Post.doc		Coupled structfluid models for crack	Thaulow
SP3 - CO2 Storage										
Task 3.1: Q&M storage	PhD								Num.screening tool for analysis of frac.	Holt
Task 3.2: Storage behaviour	PhD								Basic mechanisms for CO2 in porous	Torsæter
	PhD							CO2 displ. & storage in water-saturated	КІерре	
	Post.doc								Optimal design of CO2 injec. operation	Torsæter
Task 3.3: Monitoring, leakage and remediation	PhD								Geophysical method for CO2 storage	Landrø
	PhD								Detailed imaging of gas chimneys	Arntsen
	Post.doc								Advanced geophysical monitoring	Landrø
		PhD							Rock-physical properties for monitoring	Holt
						Post.	doc		Acoustic core measurem. 2-phase flow	Holt et al.
SP4 - CO2 Value Chain										
Task 4.1: Chain analysis			Post	.doc					Extended value chain analysis of CCS	Gundersen



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Summary BIGCCS

- A global centre of gravity for CCS research
- 22 partners, whereof 10 industrial
- Targets international co-operation and has many international links embedded – but by no means closed for new links
- Has been successful in attracting new projects
 - Thermodynamics of CO2 mixtures
 - Chemical Looping Combustion
 - Basis for EU proposals
- Open for new industrial partners and research collaboration







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