



Ricerca di Sistema elettrico

## Comunicazione e diffusione dei risultati sulle attività ENEA sul P2G/L nell’ambito del WP3 - Allegato

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COMUNICAZIONE E DIFFUSIONE DEI RISULTATI SULLE ATTIVITÀ ENEA SUL P2G/L NELL'AMBITO DEL WP3 -  
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Report Ricerca di Sistema Elettrico

Accordo di Programma Ministero dello Sviluppo Economico - ENEA

Piano Triennale di Realizzazione 2019-2021 - I annualità

Obiettivo: *Tecnologie*

Progetto: Tema 1.2 "Sistemi di accumulo, compresi elettrochimico e power to gas, e relative interfacce con le reti"

Work package: WP3 "Power-to-Gas"

Linea di attività: LA3.34 Comunicazione, diffusione dei risultati e coordinamento sulle attività ENEA su P2G/L e integrazione con sistemi generazione elettrica innovativi - I Anno

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Si riportano alcune slide di presentazioni e poster realizzati nell'ambito del progetto.



**Produzione di Combustibili Alternativi (E-fuels):  
Le Tecnologie Power2Gas e Power2X**

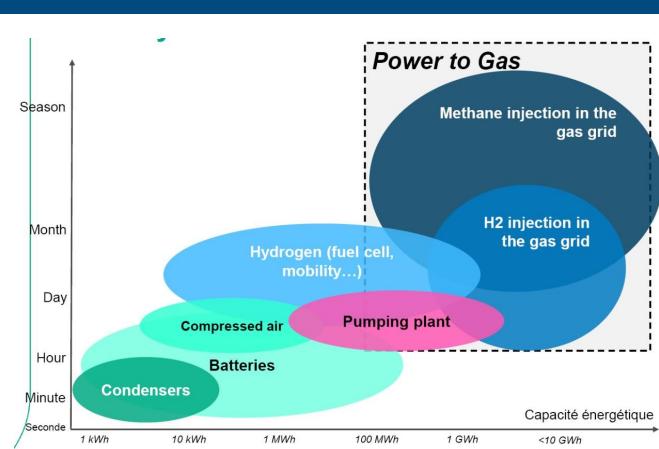
*Open Forum del CO2 Club Italia*

Sede Enea Lungotevere Thaon di Revel 76, Roma 16 aprile 2019

Ing. Paolo Deiana      Roma 16 aprile 2019

Icons: atom, flask, bar chart, network, microscope, sun, wind turbine, lightbulb, recycling, gears, globe.

## Le Tecnologie di Accumulo dell'Energia Elettrica



The diagram illustrates the range of energy storage technologies across different time scales and capacities:

- Season:** Power-to-Gas (Methane injection in the gas grid).
- Month:** Hydrogen (fuel cell, mobility...), H2 injection in the gas grid.
- Day:** Compressed air, Pumping plant.
- Hour:** Batteries.
- Minute:** Condensers.
- Second:** Not explicitly shown in the diagram.

A horizontal axis at the bottom indicates energy capacity in kWh, ranging from 1 kWh to <10 GWh. A vertical axis on the left indicates time scales from Season down to Second.

**1) Differiscono in capacità:**

- ✓ Condensatori, volani, batterie... sistemi ad aria compressa fino a impianti di pompaggio offrono capacità relativamente limitate
- ✓ Il Power-to-Gas ha una capacità potenziale molto elevata

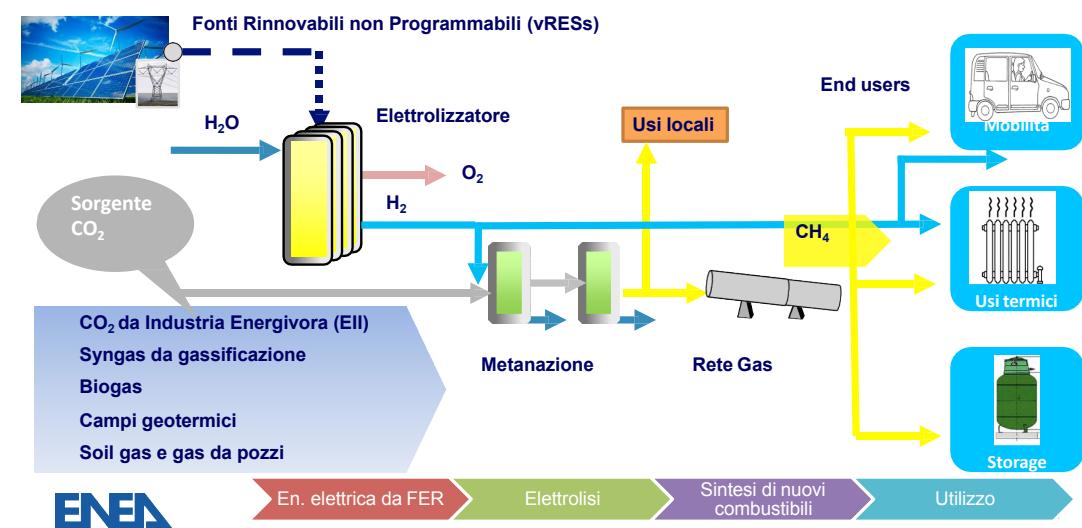
**2) Differiscono nei tempi:**

- ✓ Breve
- ✓ Medio
- ✓ Lungo → stagionale (**SNG**)

Fonte: GRTgaz | Jupiter1000 for the ADEME – NEDO seminar

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## Il Power To Gas (P2G)



## La produzione di H<sub>2</sub>: Elettrolisi dell'acqua

	Alkaline electrolysis	PEM electrolysis	SOEC Solid oxide electrolysis
<b>State of development</b>	Commercial	Commercial	Laboratory
<b>Electrolyte</b>	OH <sup>-</sup>	Solid polymer membrane (Nafion)	ZrO <sub>2</sub> ceramic doped with Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> O <sup>2-</sup>
<b>Power consumption kWe/Nm<sup>3</sup>H<sub>2</sub></b>	4.5-7	4.5-7	3
<b>Efficiency</b>	67-70 %	60-80 %	90 %
<b>Investment cost €/kWe</b>	800-1000	1400-2100	>2000 <sup>a</sup>

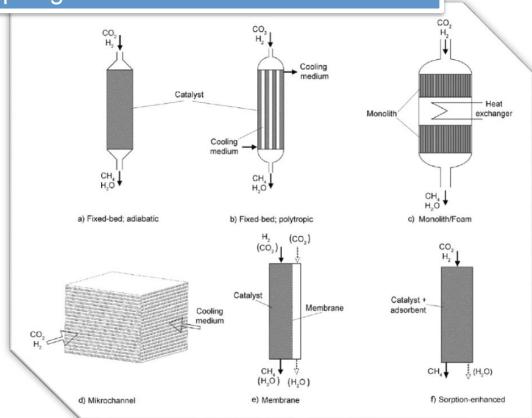
<sup>a</sup> High uncertainty due to pre-commercial status of SOEL  
Source: Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews 82 (2018) 2440–2454

HySTAT™ Cell Stack



## Metanazione catalitica: i reattori

Diverse tipologie di reattori...



Source: Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews 81 (2018) 433–446

Reazione altamente esotermica



Lo smaltimento del calore e il controllo della temperatura sono fondamentali per la progettazione dei reattori

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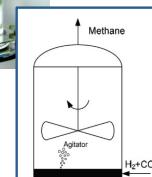
## Metanazione biologica

La produzione di metano a partire da CO<sub>2</sub> è attuata da microorganismi di diverse famiglie (p.es. : **archaea**).

Il processo ha luogo in soluzione acquosa a temperature dell'ordine dei 40 -70 °C.

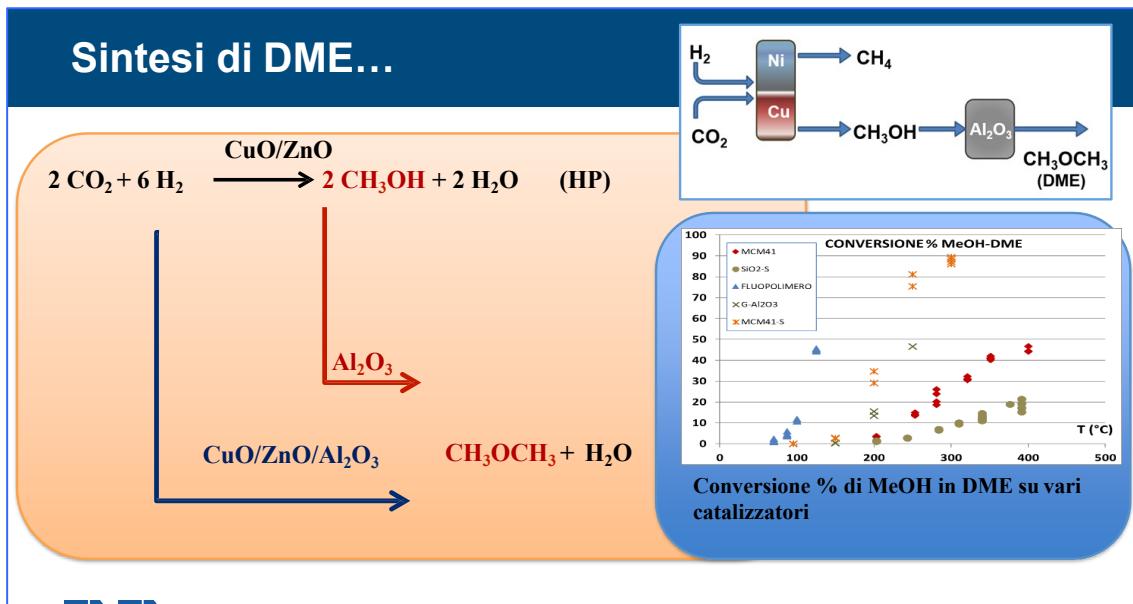
Lo stadio limitante è il trasferimento di massa dell'idrogeno nella fase liquida.

Reattori CSTR o a bolle sono quelli più utilizzati.



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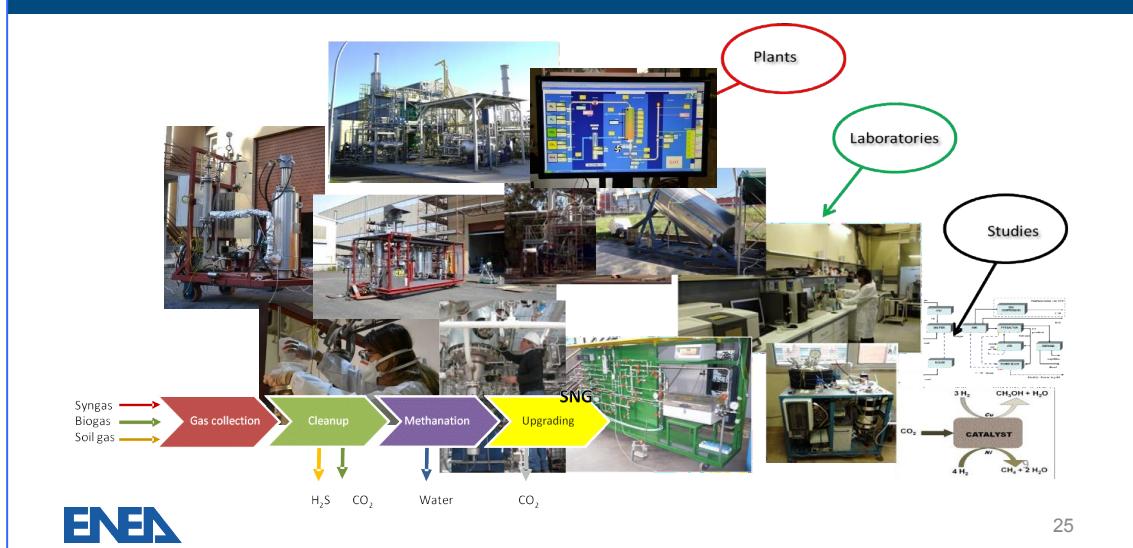
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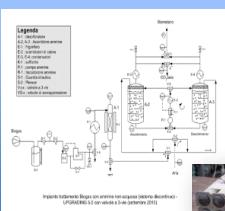
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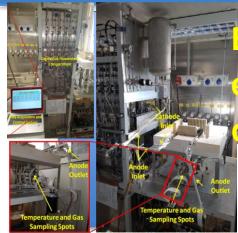
## Produzione H<sub>2</sub>, separazione CO<sub>2</sub>, analisi...



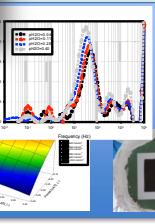
### Separazione CO<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub>



Analisi composizione gas,  
identificazione e  
quantificazione inquinanti



### Elettrolisi e produzione di H<sub>2</sub>





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# P2G: From Hydrogen To Oxygenated Fuels

*First Italian Conference on Carbon Dioxide Capture and Utilization*  
*Bari, 6/12/2019*

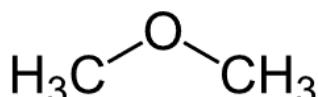
**Francesco Pancrazzi, Vincenzo Barbarossa, Raimondo Maggi e Rosanna Viscardi**



## DME as an Alternative Fuel

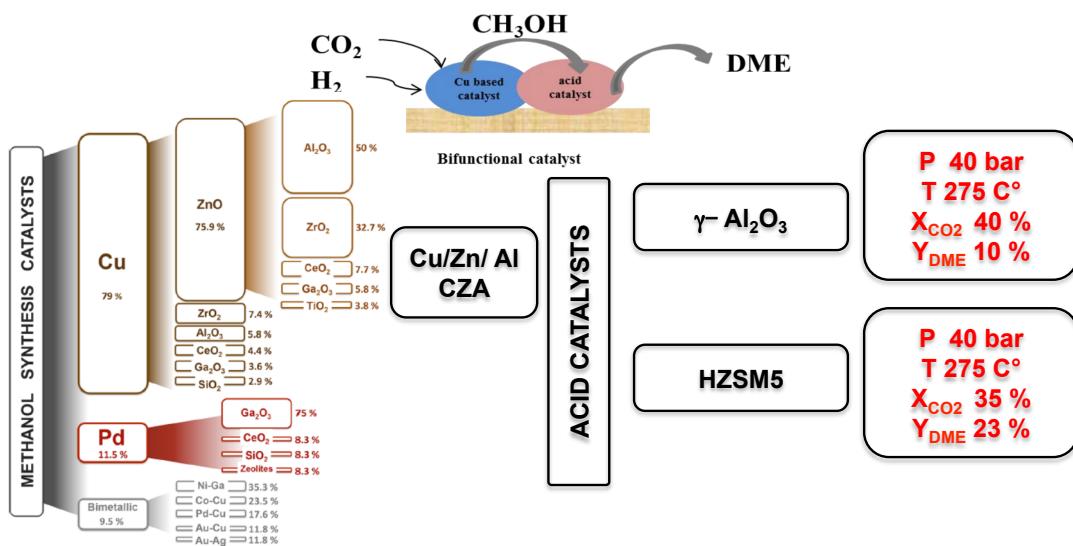
	DME	Methane	Methanol	Ethanol	FTD	LPG	Gasoline	Diesel	Hydrogen
<b>Molecular Weight (g mol<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	46.07	16.04	32.04	46.07		44.1	114	198.4	2.016
<b>Density (g cm<sup>-3</sup>)</b>	0.67 <sup>c</sup>	0.00072 <sup>b</sup>	0.792 <sup>b</sup>	0.785 <sup>b</sup>	0.76-0.79 <sup>e</sup>	0.54 <sup>e</sup>	0.71-0.77 <sup>e</sup>	0.80-0.86 <sup>b</sup>	0.00089 <sup>e</sup>
<b>Normal boiling point (°C)</b>	-24.9	-162	64	78	180-320 <sup>e</sup>	-30 <sup>e</sup>	0-210 <sup>e</sup>	125-400	-253 <sup>e</sup>
<b>Octane Number (RON)</b>	-	122	110	110	-	90-96	90-100	-	>125
<b>Cetane Number</b>	55-60	-	5	-	55-75	-	-	40-55	-
<b>Energy content<sup>e</sup> (MJ/kg)</b>	28,43	50	19.5	28,4	44	46.3	42.7	43.1	119.9
<b>Carbon Content<sup>f</sup> (wt%)</b>	52.2	74	37.5	52.2	85 <sup>e</sup>	82 <sup>e</sup>	85.5	87	0
<b>Sulfur Content<sup>f</sup> (ppm<sup>g</sup>)</b>	0	~7-25	0	0		10-50	~200	~250	0

- ❖ High cetane number
- ❖ High oxygen content
- ❖ Low particulate emissions



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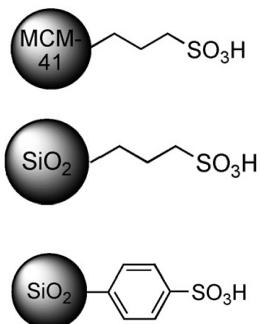
## Direct DME synthesis



Challenges in the Greener Production of Formates/Formic Acid, Methanol, and DME by Heterogeneously Catalyzed  $\text{CO}_2$  Hydrogenation Processes, Chem. Rev. 2017, 117, 14, 9804-9838

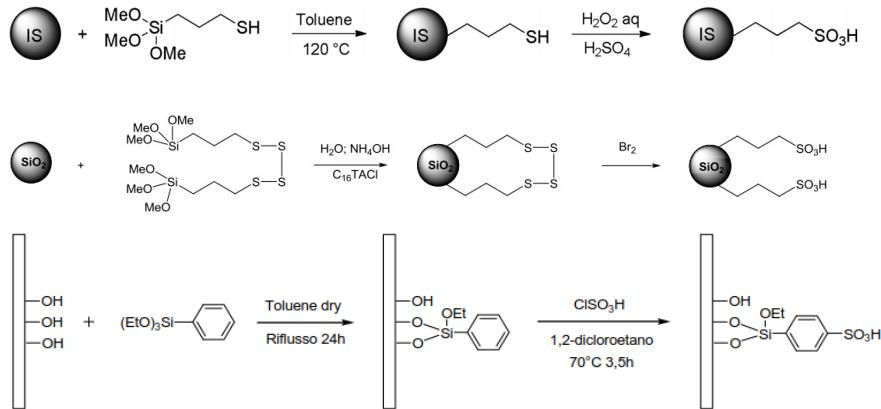
## A new class of unconventional acid catalysts

- Sulfonic catalysts are materials composed of an inorganic support such as mesoporous silica or amorphous silica functionalized with a sulfonic acid groups
- They own acidic strength similar to sulfuric acid
- Cheap materials, easy to work with and easy to recycle.



Different functionalizations are possible due to different organic functions

## Sulfonic catalysts synthesis



Safe reaction conditions and simple work-up



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## Experimental apparatus for DME synthesis



Temperatura reazione (°C)	Pressione (atm)	Flusso di N <sub>2</sub> (mL/min)	Flusso MeOH(g) (mL/min)
100-450	1	10	0.9-1.7

$$Y_{\text{DME}} = 2 \text{ mol DME} / (\text{mol MeOH})^{\circ}$$



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# CATALYTIC CONVERSION OF METHANOL TO DIMETHYL ETHER (DME) OVER SUPPORTED SULFONIC ACIDS CATALYSTS

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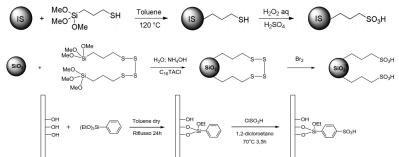


## 1. Background and objectives

Dimethyl ether (DME) is a promising multisource and multipurpose clean fuel and value-added chemical synthesized from syngas. This process can be either performed in a single stage (direct process) using a dual catalysis system or a two stage (indirect process) where syngas is first converted into methanol and then dehydrated to produce DME. Despite tremendous efforts, catalytic synthesis of DME via a high efficient route remains a great challenge. Catalyst design is at the heart of enhancing the catalytic efficiency of DME synthesis. The selection of an appropriate catalyst for methanol dehydration is dependent on a number of factors as acid strength and characteristics, pore size and morphology, temperature resistance and active temperature range, and toxicity and coking resistance. These factors must be weighed with the cost effectiveness of a given catalytic material. It is expected that the ideal catalyst will possess adjustable acid strength, structure, and promising mechanical and hydrothermal stability. Even though modified alumina and zeolite are the more obvious choices, they do not satisfy all these criteria. Alumina is an inexpensive and active catalyst for DME synthesis with a promising mechanical strength; however, its hydrophilicity is one of the major drawbacks. Zeolites, on the other hand, offer a high hydrothermal stability but the presence of strong acid sites which lead to the formation of by-products and coke is their most common challenge. We propose a new class of SO<sub>3</sub>H-functionalized materials with tunable Lewis and Bronsted acid sites, as efficient catalysts to perform the methanol dehydration process.

## 2. The catalysts

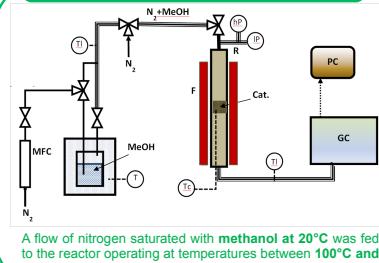
The catalysts tested are sulfonic acids grafted on inorganic support such as SiO<sub>2</sub> and MCM-41.



- Cheap materials, safe to handle, and easy to recycle
- Tunable acid strength with the support's functionalization
- Mild reaction conditions
- Work-up steps very easy



## 3. Experimental set-up



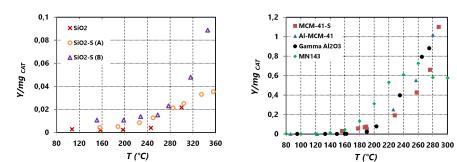
A flow of nitrogen saturated with methanol at 20°C was fed to the reactor operating at temperatures between 100°C and 450°C and 1 bar.

## 4. Physico-chemical properties

Catalyst	Surface Area (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	Surface Acidity (meq H <sup>+</sup> /g)
γ-Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	250	-
SiO <sub>2</sub>	540	-
MCM-41	1240	-
Al-MCM-41	940	-
MCM-41-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> -SO <sub>3</sub> H	970	2.53
SiO <sub>2</sub> -(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> -SO <sub>3</sub> H (A)	510	0.23
SiO <sub>2</sub> -(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> -SO <sub>3</sub> H (B)	490	0.60
SiO <sub>2</sub> -Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> -SO <sub>3</sub> H (MN143)	371	0.90

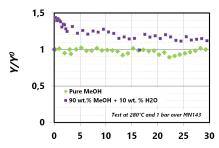
- Increase of acidity for the functionalized catalysts
- Lower surface area for the MCM-41 supported sulfonic acid

## 5. MeOH Conversion



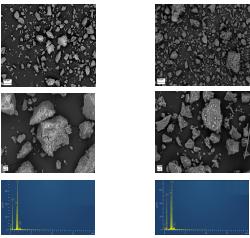
- The functionalization with sulfonic groups increases the dehydration activity of inorganic supports.
- At lower temperatures MN143 is more active than commercial catalysts.

## 6. Stability Test



- High stability of MN143 catalyst
- Very slow deactivation with H<sub>2</sub>O

## 7. SEM Analysis



The presence of sulfur confirms that the organic moiety containing the sulfonic groups have not been removed during the process → high thermal stability

## 8. Conclusion

- ❖ The new class of supported sulfonic acids is very interesting and promising as catalysts for the methanol dehydration.
- ❖ The introduction of sulfonic groups results in a simple and powerful way to modulate the catalytic activity in inorganic materials.
- ❖ These materials are very active, selective and stable catalysts for this process.
- ❖ The catalytic activity of MN143 was higher than those of the reference commercial catalysts.



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## Le Tecnologie Power to Gas per l'Utilizzo Innovativo delle Reti Energetiche

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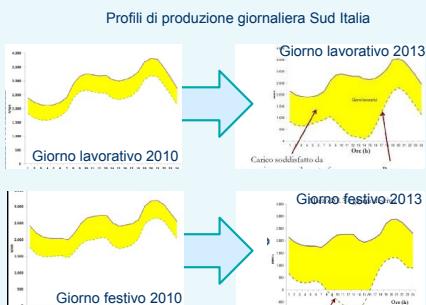


## Le FER e l'Accumulo Energetico

**2019 PNIEC FER nei consumi elettrici 55% al 2030 (34% al 2017)**



Le Tecnologie di Accumulo dell'Energia possono contribuire al peak shaving delle FER variabili (eolico e solare) evitando le fluttuazioni temporali che possono causare surplus o deficit nella fornitura di energia.



Una maggiore penetrazione nel mercato di sistemi di produzione di energia elettrica da fonte rinnovabile comporta il contestuale sviluppo di sistemi di accumulo, giornaliero e stagionale, dell'energia prodotta.

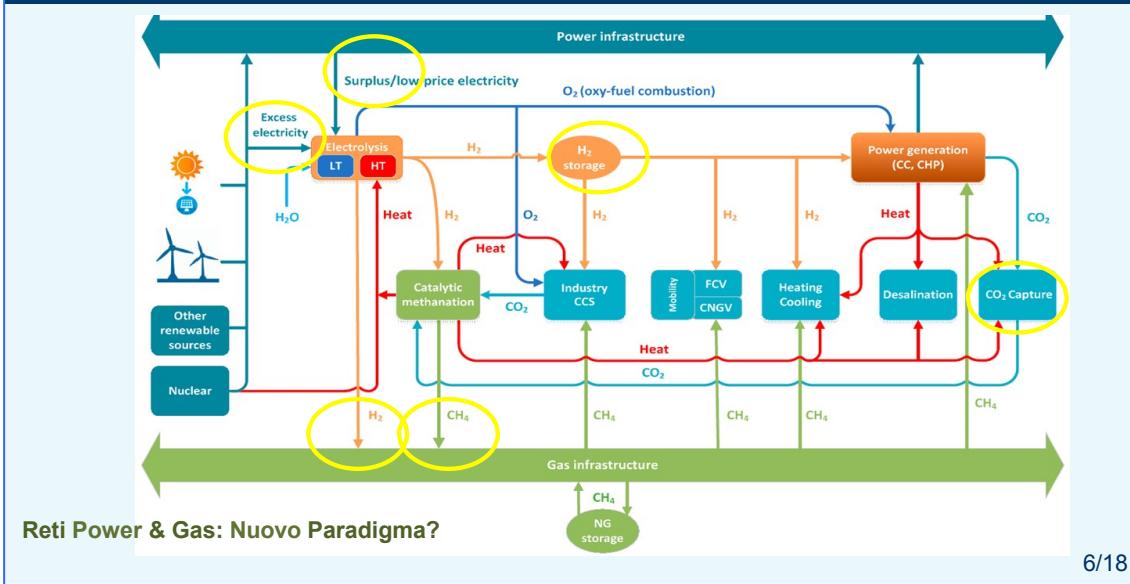
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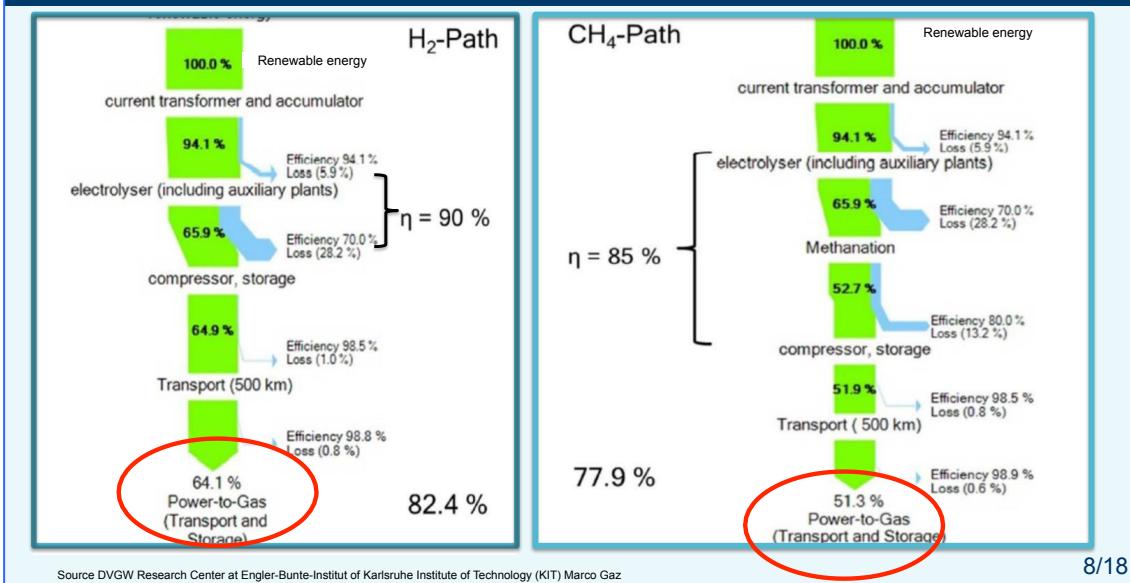
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## Le Reti Energetiche verso Utilizzi Innovativi



## Efficienza dei processi P2H e P2M

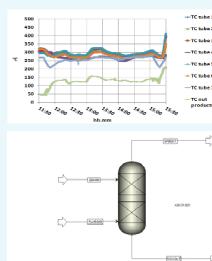
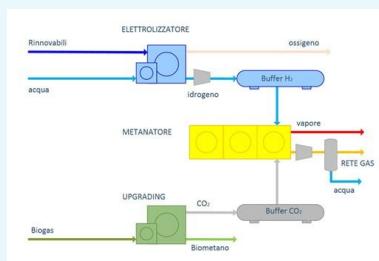




## Background sulle tecnologie P2G



- Testing su sistemi e componenti in taglia significativa (elettrolisi, metanazione...)
- Sperimentazione su catalizzatori Ni/Ru commerciali su scala lab/pilota
- Modellazione di sistema, analisi di sostenibilità ambientale/economica
- Coordinamento di progetti di R&I, collaborazioni con Industria/Università
- Technology transfer, brevetti, supporto A.P. e Policy Maker



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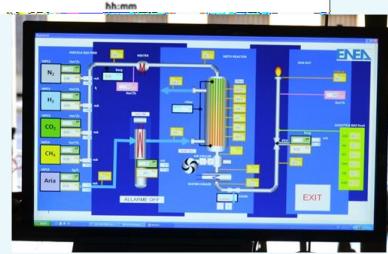
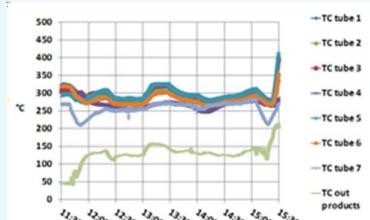
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## Elettrolizzatore e Metanatore in linea



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# Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> Power Cycles ...a jump in the future

CO<sub>2</sub> Club Italy Open Forum

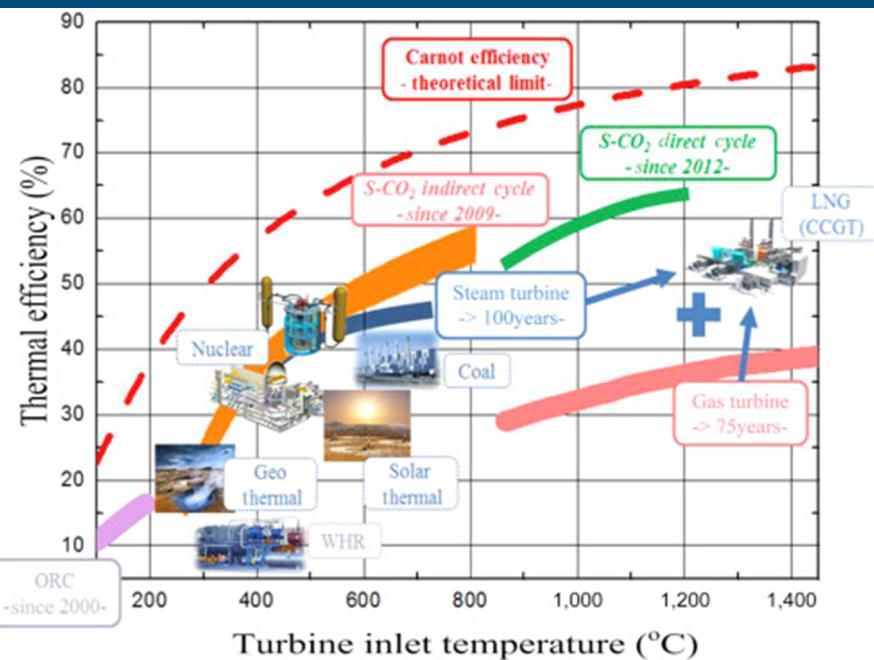
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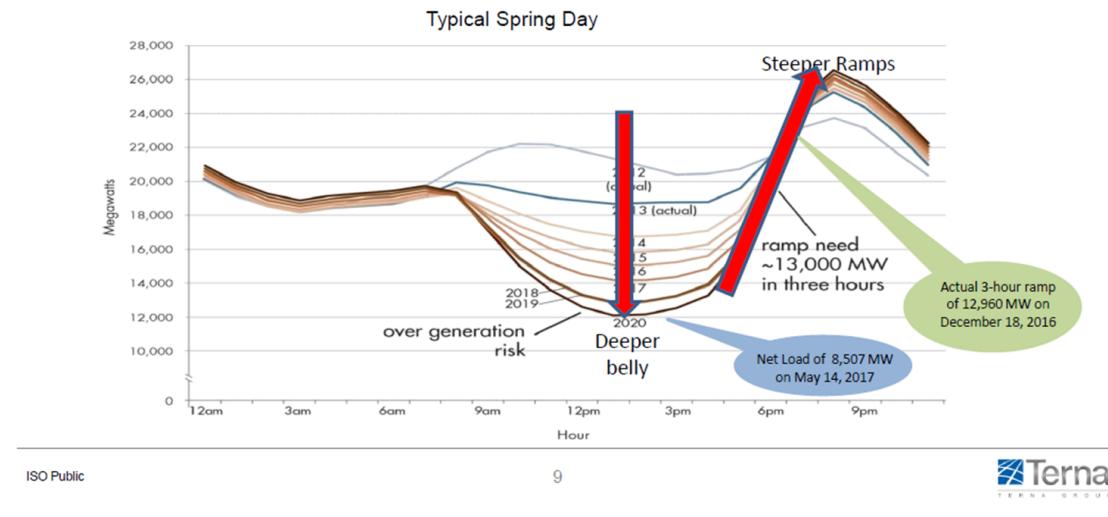


## Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> Power Cycles: what are they?



## Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> Power Cycles: why care?

Actual net-load and 3-hour ramps are approximately four years ahead of ISO's original estimate

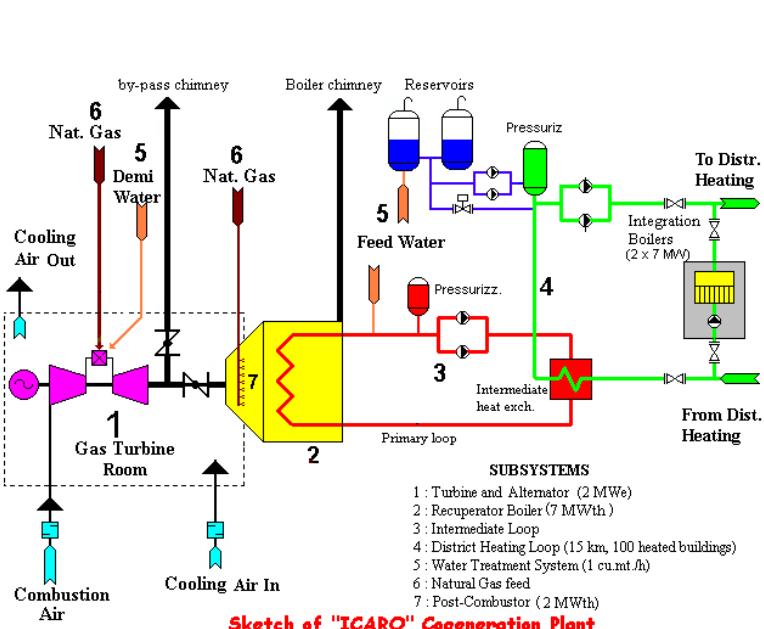


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## Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> Power Cycles: how is it going?

ENEA facilities ready to involve in a H2020 demonstration project



Demonstration of Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> Cycles Technology for Waste Heat Recovery Applications – ETN's 15<sup>TH</sup> AGM - Pau – 27-28 March 2019

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**sCO<sub>2</sub> Cycle**

**Sketch of "ICARO" Cogeneration Plant**

**SUBSYSTEMS**

- 1 : Turbine and Alternator (2 MWe)
- 2 : Recuperator Boiler (7 MWth)
- 3 : Intermediate Loop
- 4 : District Heating Loop (15 km, 100 heated buildings)
- 5 : Water Treatment System (1 cu.mt/h)
- 6 : Natural Gas feed
- 7 : Post-Combustor (2 MWth)

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# I problemi di rete, gli accumuli e la gestione delle FER ELETTRICHE

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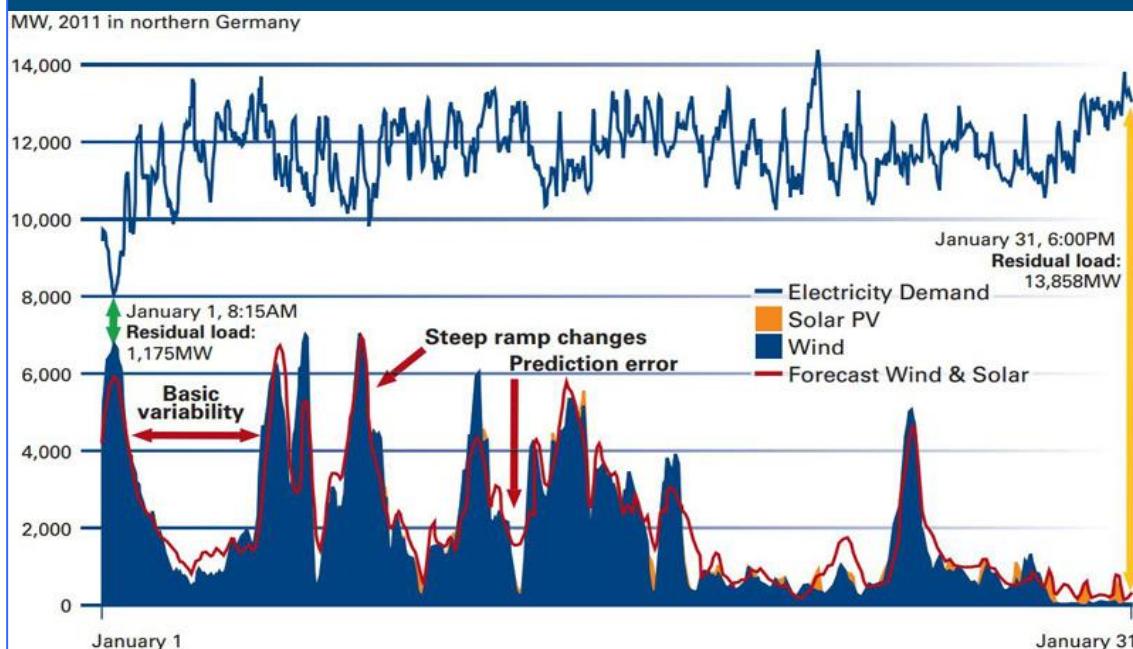
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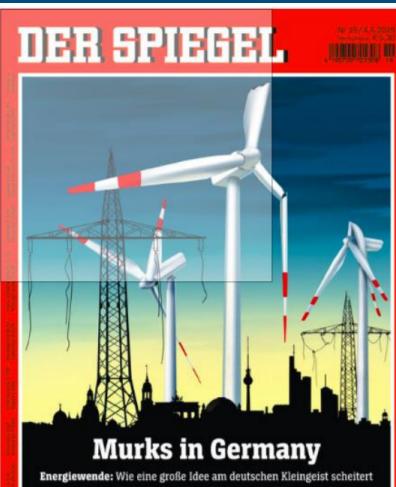


## Incremento della penetrazione delle FER variabili flessibilità e adeguatezza del sistema elettrico

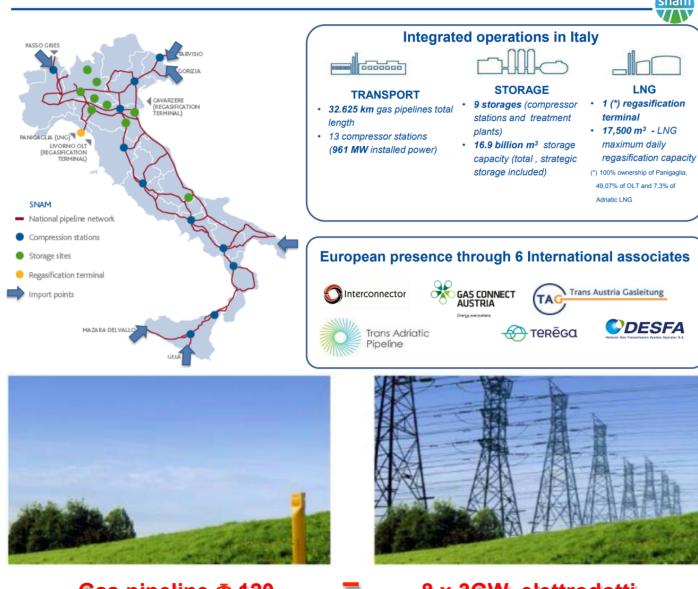


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## Incremento della penetrazione delle FER variabili accoppiamento delle reti elettrica e gas



Snam: an Italian and European leader in gas infrastructure



10 anni fa la Germania ha deciso di ampliare la rete elettrica

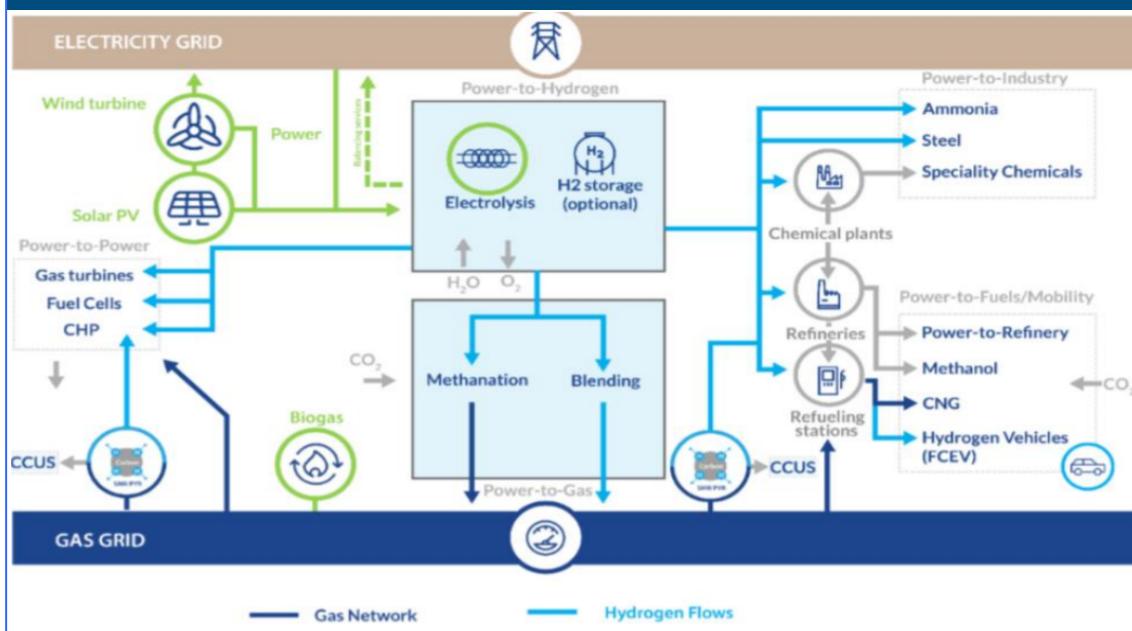
Pianificati: 7700 km  
Realizzati: 950 km  
Realizzati nel 2017: 30 km

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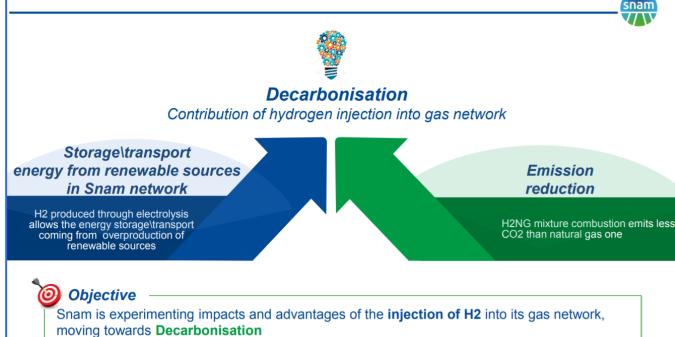
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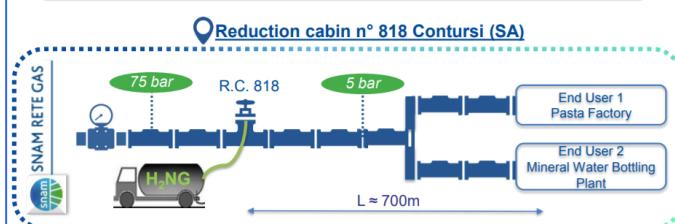
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### Framework



**SNAM ha completato con successo la sperimentazione dell'iniezione di H<sub>2</sub> al 5% in volume in una porzione di gasdotto asservito a due utenze industriali**



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## Incremento della penetrazione delle FER variabili accoppiamento delle reti elettrica e gas: incremento della flessibilità di combustibile nelle turbine a gas



L'obiettivo principale del progetto High Hydrogen Retrofit è quello di sviluppare un retrofit di sistema di combustione a emissioni ultra-basse (sotto 9ppm NOx e CO) a basso costo per le turbine a gas esistenti nell'intervallo di potenza compreso tra 1 MW e 300 MW. **La flessibilità di combustibile e il funzionamento stabile dal 100% di gas naturale al 100% di idrogeno e qualsiasi loro miscela sono requisiti chiave.** Questa è una sfida chiave poiché i cambiamenti estremi nella reattività del combustibile che passano dal gas naturale all'idrogeno possono provocare un drammatico spostamento del rilascio di calore all'interno del combustore, che può essere fisicamente distruttivo se non ben controllato.

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