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CORROSIVE CO₂-STREAM COMPONENTS, CHALLENGING FOR MATERIALS TO BE USED IN CC(U)S APPLICATIONS

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Background

CO₂-Quality in CCUS Technology

corrosion

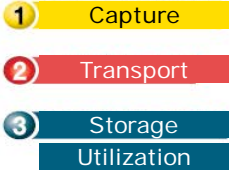
safety in
transport technology

different sources
=
different impurities

costs

potential effect
on environment

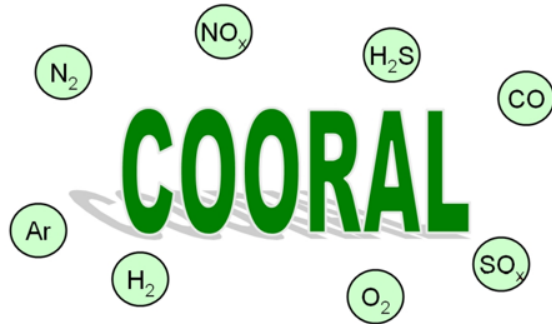
required
storage volume



150

Background

German CCS Research Programs



Directive 2009/31/EC

(38) Access to CO_2 transport networks and storage sites, irre-

- How to define "...reasonable minimum composition thresholds..."?
- Which reasonable impurity levels may be viable in practical applications?

to be met through CCS. Pipelines for CO_2 transport should, where possible, be designed so as to facilitate access of CO_2 streams meeting reasonable minimum composition thresholds. Member States should also establish dispute settlement mechanisms to enable expeditious settlement of disputes regarding access to transport networks and storage sites.



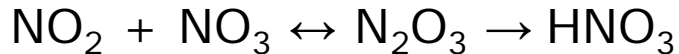
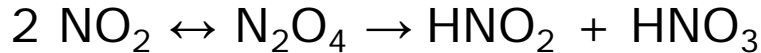
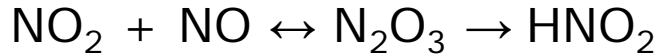
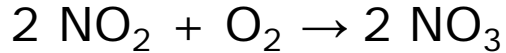
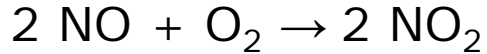
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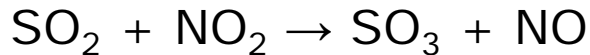
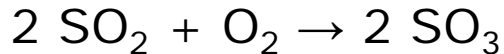
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Chemical Reactions within the CO₂-Stream

Equilibrium and Interactions between NO_x, SO_x, O₂:



⇒ **How will
reducing impurities
modify these interactions?**

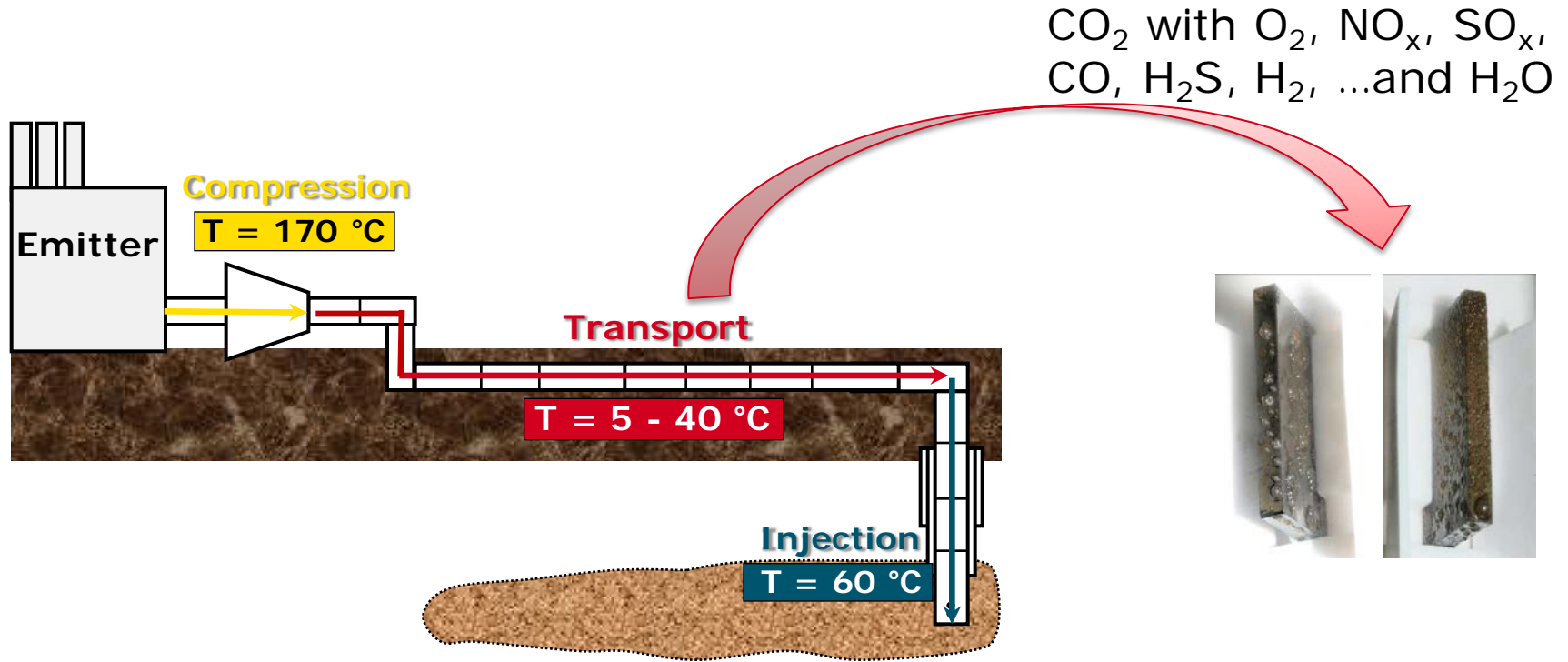


(very slow)

(faster alternative)

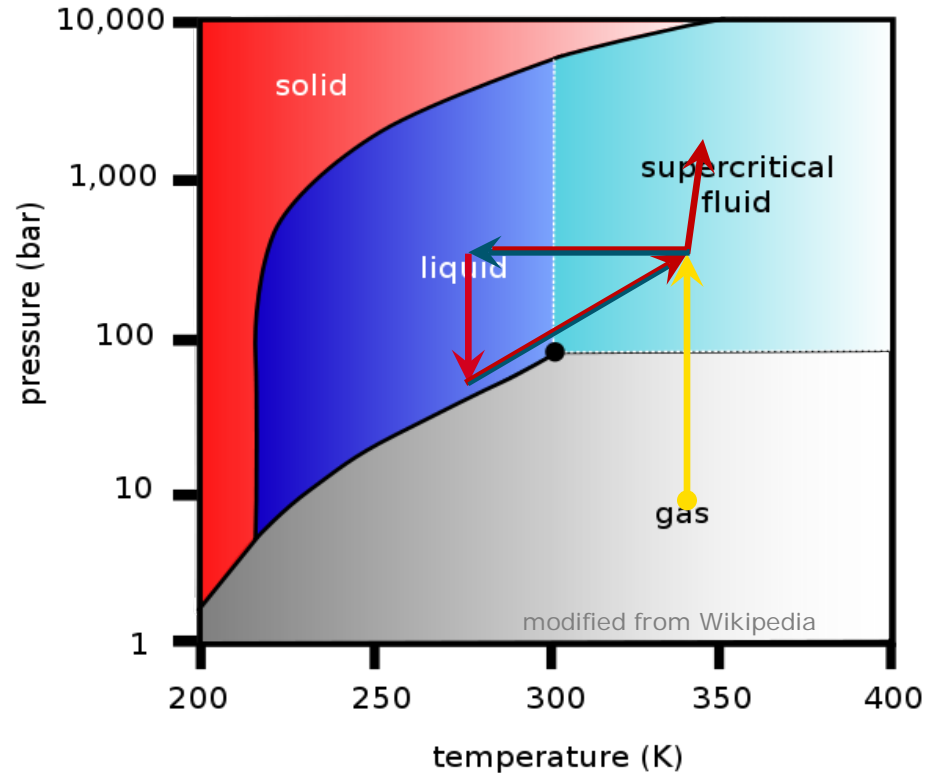
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Approach



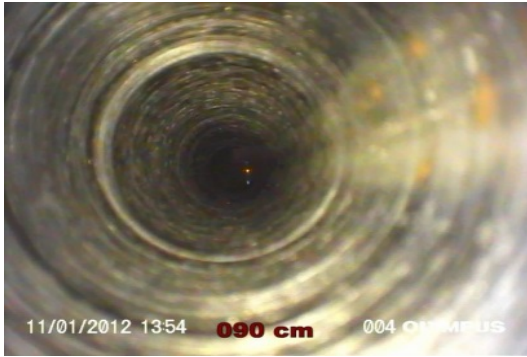
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Phase Diagram CO₂



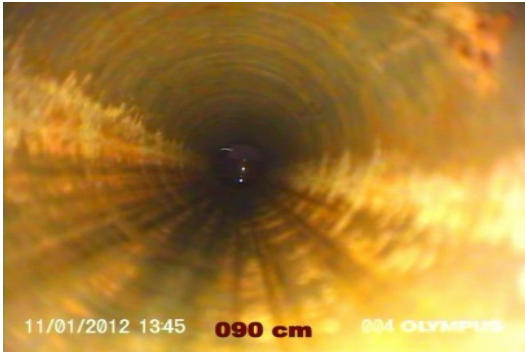
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First Pipeline Tests

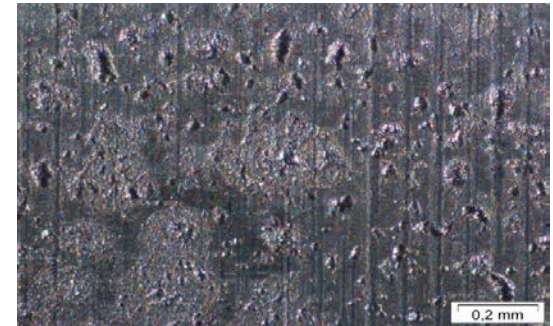


before

after



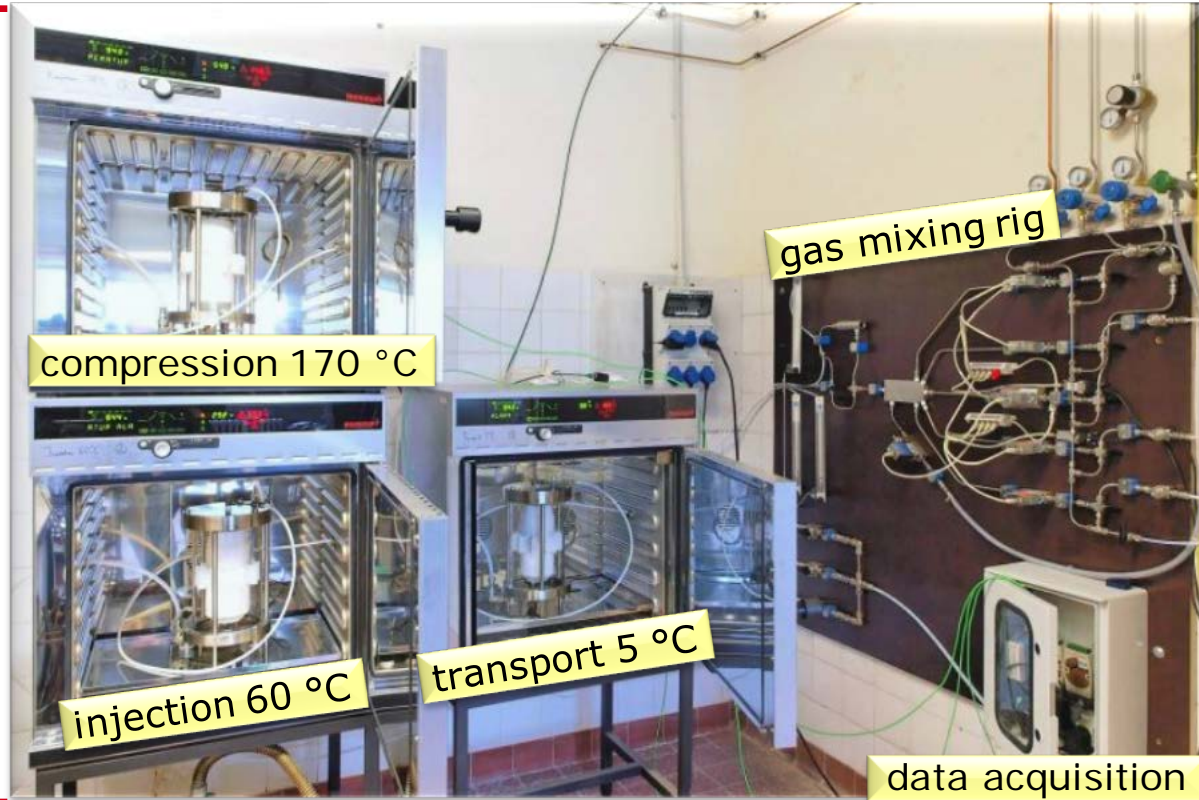
1000 h, 50 °C, 150 bar, 2 m/s CO₂,
25 ppm H₂O, 25 ppm SO₂, 0.8 % O₂



Despite of very low water content
clear corrosion effects

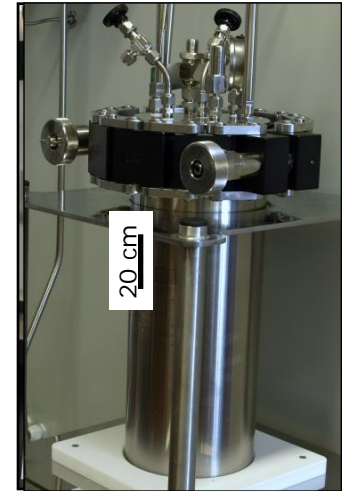
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Lab Setup



High pressure

100 bar / 5...40 °C



circulating flow

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Materials

	Material
Compression	X3CrNiMo13-4 (S41500)
	X5CrNiCuNb16-4 (S17400)
	X12Cr13 (S41000)
	Ti-Al6-V4 (R56400)
	X1NiCrMoCu32-28-7 (N08031)
Transport	L290NB
	L360NB
	L485MB
	„Soft Iron“
	X2CrMnNiN22-5-2 (S32101)
Injection	X1NiCrMoCu32-28-7 (N08031)
	X5CrNiCuNb16-4 (S17400)
	X46Cr13 (S42000)
	42CrMo4 (G41400)
	X20Cr13 (S42000)

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Results, Normal Pressure

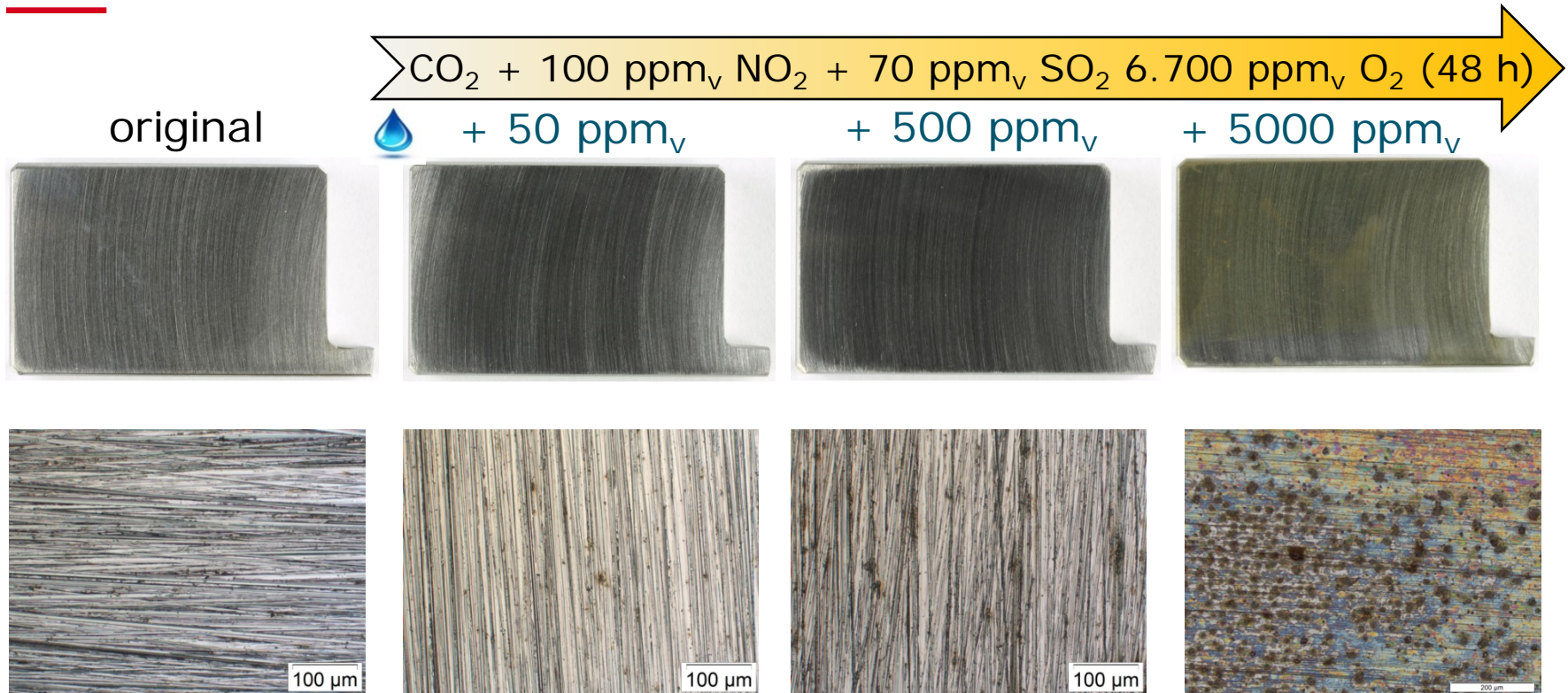
C-steels	Cr-steels				high-alloyed steels			
170°C, 1000 ppm H ₂ O	1.4308	1.4575	1.4908	1.4949	1.4539	1.4575	1.4539	1.4539
60°C, 1000 ppm H ₂ O	1.4308	1.4575	1.4908	1.4949	1.4539	1.4575	1.4539	1.4539
60°C, 8000 ppm H ₂ O	1.4308	1.4575	1.4908	1.4949	1.4539	1.4575	1.4539	1.4539
30°C, 8000 ppm H ₂ O	1.4308	1.4575	1.4908	1.4949	1.4539	1.4575	1.4539	1.4539
5°C, 1000 ppm H ₂ O	1.4308	1.4575	1.4908	1.4949	1.4539	1.4575	1.4539	1.4539
5°C, 8000 ppm H ₂ O	1.4308	1.4575	1.4908	1.4949	1.4539	1.4575	1.4539	1.4539

- 600 h / 1.8 % O₂,
- 750 ppm_v CO,
- 1000 ppm_v NO₂,
- 220 ppm_v SO₂
- recommendation given for max. 50 to 100 ppm water

A. S. Ruhl, A. Kranzmann (2012)

Corrosion Investigations

Results – Water Content Effect, 2 Days, 5 °C, Carbon Steel



Corrosion Investigations

Results – „Worst Case Mixture“, 186 Days



carbon steel L360NB



Cr-steel X46Cr13

Corrosion Investigations

Results – „Worst Case Mixture“, 186 Days



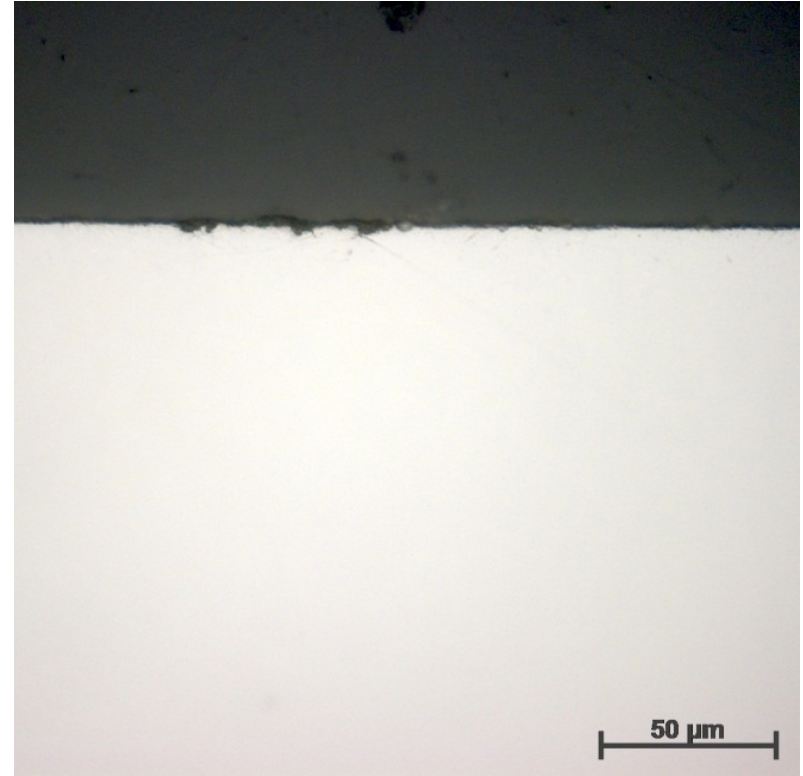
Carbon Steel:
- uniform corrosion
- 0.0025 mm/a



Cr-Steel:
- localized corrosion
- shallow pit depth
 < 10 μm

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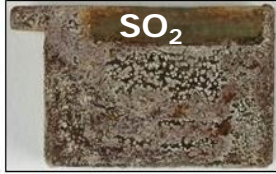
Results – Cr-Steel, Details



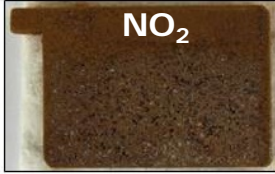
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Ambient Pressure, 5 °C, Acid Condensation

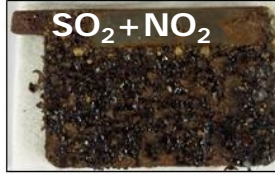
C-steel



SO₂



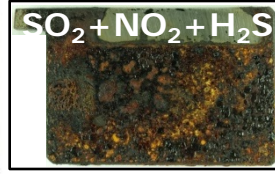
NO₂



SO₂+NO₂



H₂S



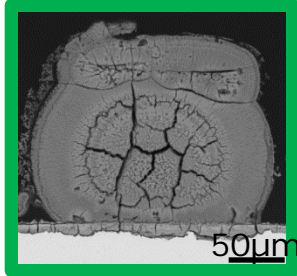
SO₂+NO₂+H₂S



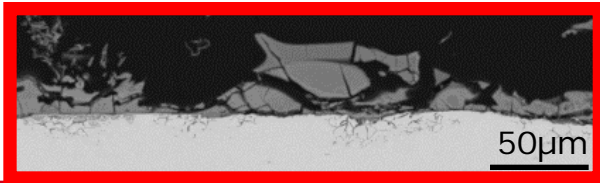
8000 ppm



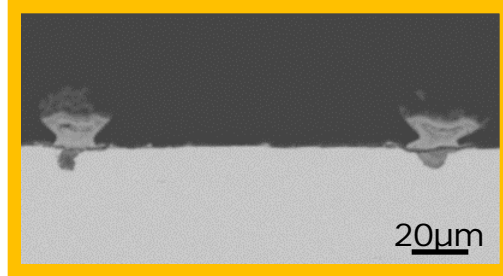
Sulfates



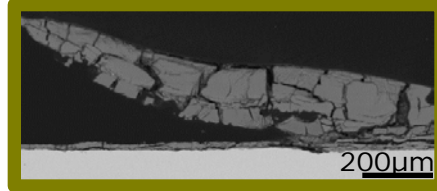
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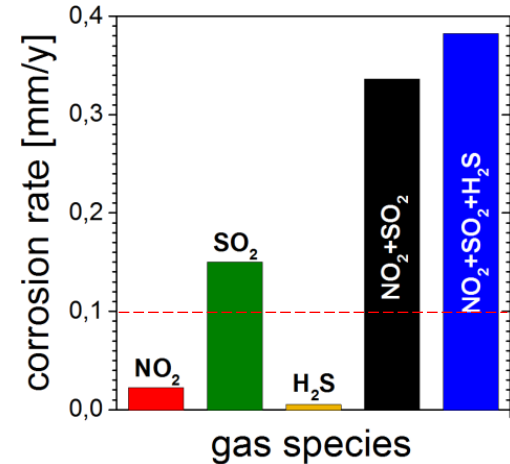
Sulfates



Sulfates/Sulfide



Sulfates



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Results on C-Steel at High Pressure

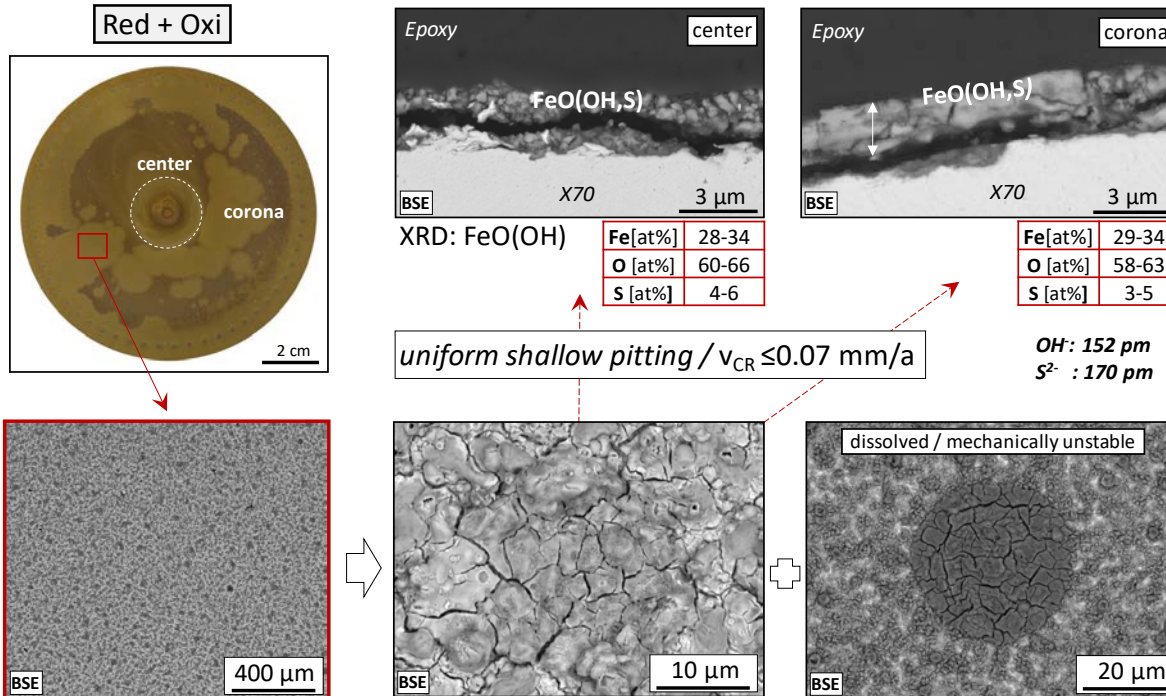
High Pressure - 10 MPa

5°C

50 ppm

300 h

X70



Kratzig et al: Eurocorr 2017

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High Pressure - 10 MPa

 5...40°C

 50 ppm

 300 h

Oxi (70 ppm SO₂; 100 ppm NO₂; 6700 ppm O₂)

Red (50 ppm H₂S, 10 000 ppm H₂)

Mixed

C-steel - X70

- considerable corrosion only at 5 °C (Oxi; Oxi+Red)
- powdery, easily removable 2-layer system: **Fe-Hydroxide** (2-3 µm) + outgrowth (≤ 10 µm)
- uniform/shallow pitting** => linearly extrapolated $v_{CR} \leq 0.07 \text{ mm/a}$

Safe concentrations for carbon steel

Low Pressure - 0.1 MPa

 5°C

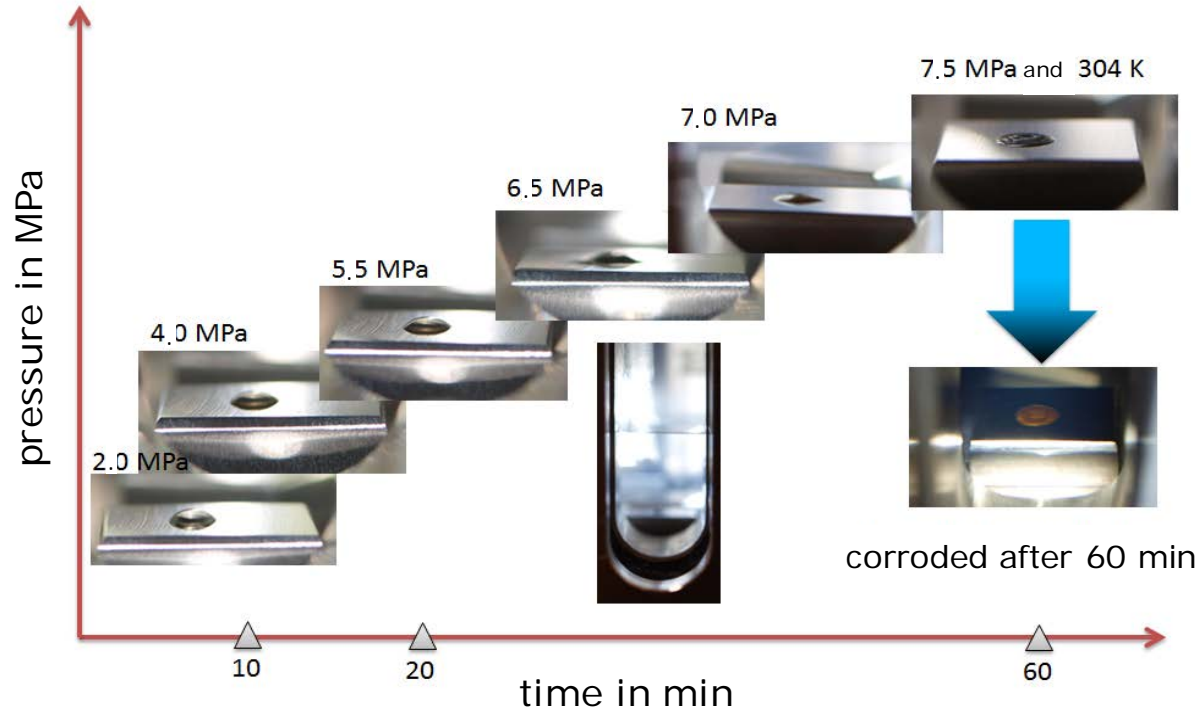
 8000 ppm

 168 h

- Oxi ≈ Mixed → uniform/shallow pitting ... $v_{CR} = 0.4 - 0.5 \text{ mm/a}$...Fe-Hydro-Sulfates
- Red → **pitting corrosion** ... $v_{CR} \leq 0.01 \text{ mm/a}$...Fe-Sulfides

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Results – Droplet, C-Steel



- 220 ppm_v SO₂,
 - 6700 ppm_v O₂
- 5 µL H₂O as droplet

Corrosion Investigations

Results in Supercritical and Gaseous CO₂

In supercritical impure CO₂ (worst case scenario),
from 7 up to 186 exposure days:

- Corrosion rate decreases by longer exposure times
- Carbon steels tend to general corrosion with low corrosion rates (< 0.1 mm/a)
- High alloyed steels tend to localized corrosion
- Corrosion rate increases by increasing water content, however 1000 ppm_v seems to be a limit
- Droplet formation due to condensation can cause localized acidic attack

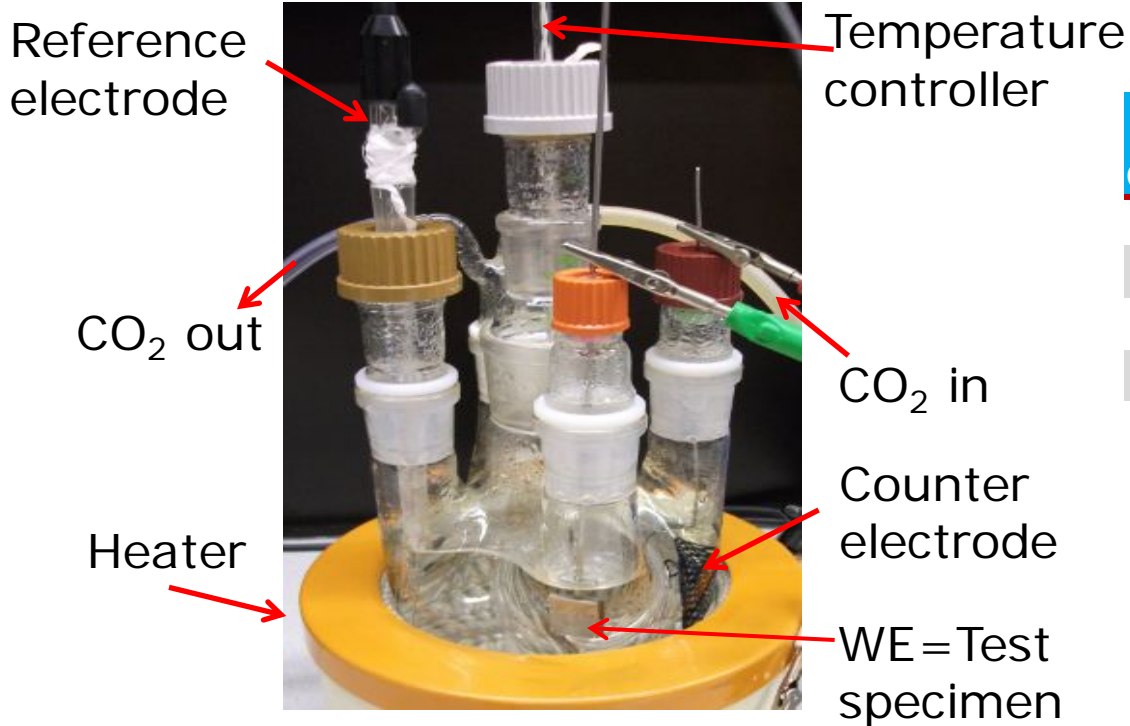
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More Results in Supercritical and Gaseous CO₂

- **1 bar & 5 °C** (168 h, 8000 ppm_v H₂O, Oxi/Red/Mix)
 - no/minimal corrosion on high alloyed steels but clearly on pipeline steel
 - amorphous/weak crystallinity of corrosion layers
 - thin corrosion layer and initial pit formation already at 50 ppm_v H₂O and 48 h (Oxy)
 - SO₂, H₂S, SO₂+NO₂, SO₂+NO₂+H₂S → sulfates or NO₂ → oxides
 - Corrosion type: H₂S → pitting, NO₂ → intergran., rest → shallow/uniform
- **100 bar & 40 °C** (300 h, 50 ppm_v H₂O, Oxi/Red/Mix)
 - no acid condensation observable
 - minimal corrosion (3 sections) → thin film and cavities visible
- **Acid Condensation**
 - NO₂ promotes the formation of H₂SO₄

Corrosion Investigations

Set Up – Injection Conditions

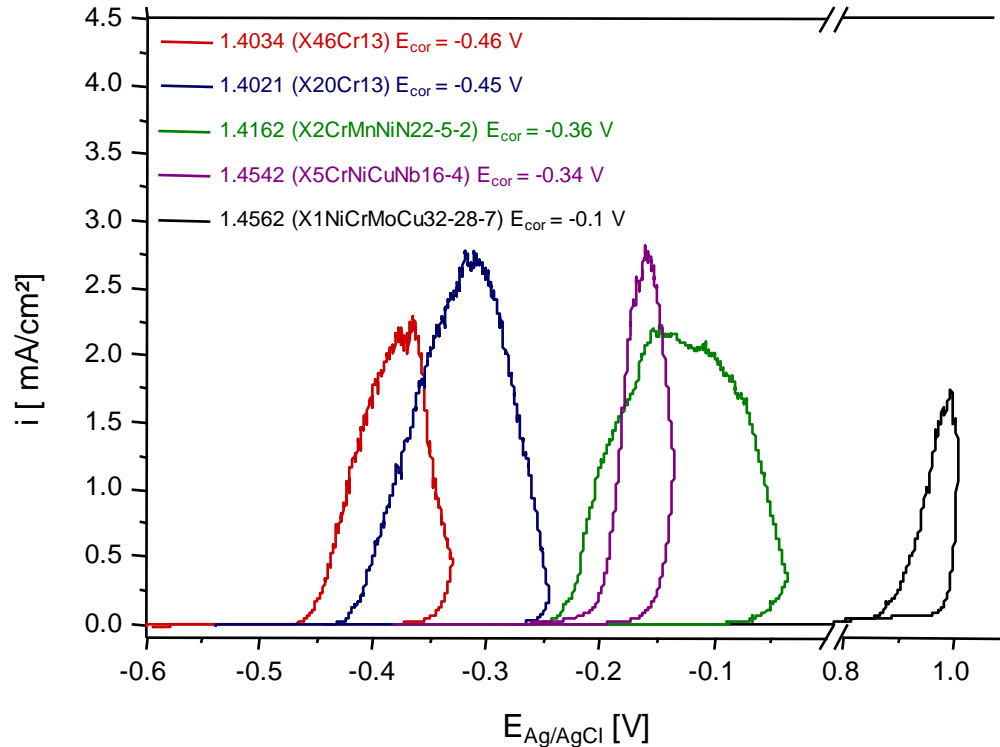


Brine composition			
Cations	mg L ⁻¹	Anions	mg L ⁻¹
Ca ²⁺	1760	Cl ⁻	143300
K ⁺	430	SO ₄ ²⁻	3600
Mg ²⁺	1270	HCO ₃ ⁻	40
Na ⁺	90100		

T = 60 °C
CO₂ flow 3 - 5 L/h
pH = 5.8 - 6.0

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Results – Electrochemistry; Cyclovoltammetrie, 60 °C



1.4034



1.4162



1.4021



1.4542



1.4562

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Results – Electrochemistry

- in CO₂–saturated, artificial saline water
 - C- and Cr-Steels are **not pitting corrosion resistant**
 - high alloyed materials are **pitting corrosion resistant**
- **chloride concentration determines corrosion kinetics**

Results

Survey

	Material	CO ₂ -stream, normal pressure, "worst case", 170 °C, 5 °C, 60 °C, max. 4 weeks	CO ₂ -stream, normal pressure, "condensated" at 5 °C, ≥ 1000 ppm H ₂ O, max. 4 weeks	brine, CO ₂ -saturated, normal pressure, 60 °C, 2 weeks	condensate H ₂ SO ₄ +HNO ₃ +CO ₂ , normal pressure, 5 °C, 2 weeks	CO ₂ supercritical, worst case, 60 °C, 10 MPa, 1000 ppm H ₂ O 7 days	CO ₂ -stream supercritical, laminar, "worst case", 60 °C, 10 MPa, 6 month	CO ₂ -stream supercritical, turbulent, "worst case", 60 °C, 10 MPa, 5 days	Final Evaluation
compression	X3CrNiMo13-4	+	-, P			+			+ *
	X5CrNiCuNb16-4	+	-, P	-, P		-, P			-
	X12Cr13	+	-, P	-, P					-
	Ti-Al6-V4	+	+						+
	X1NiCrMoCu32-28-7	+	+	+					+
transport	L290NB	+	-, U, 1.02 mm/a			U, 16 µm/a			+ *
	L360NB	+	-, U 1.31 mm/a		-, L, 1.5 mm/a	U, 25 µm/a	U, 6 µm/a		+ *
	L485MB	+	-, U 1.29 mm/a			U, 36 µm/a		+ *	+ *
	Soft Iron	+	-, U 0.98 mm/a			U, 8 µm/a			+ *
injection	X2CrMnNiN22-5-2	+	+ *	+ **		+***			+**'+***
	X1NiCrMoCu32-28-7	+	+	+	-, L, 0.6 mm/a	+			+ *
	X5CrNiCuNb16-4	+	-, P	-, P					-
	X46Cr13	+	-, L, 0.70 mm/a	-, P	-, U, 1.6 mm/a	+***	+***, L, 20 µm/a	+	-
	42CrMo4	+	-, U 1.14 mm/a	-, U, 2 mm/a		U, 24 µm/a		+	-
	X20Cr13	+	-, L, 0.52 mm/a	-, P		+***		+	-
		+ - resistant max. 0,1 mm/a		+ *: resistant, as long as no acid induced corrosion occurs					
		- - not resistant		+ **: susceptible to crevice corrosion					
		L - localized (shallow pitting) corrosion		+***: susceptible to shallow pitting, depth less than 0,1 mm/a					
		P - pitting corrosion							
		U - uniform corrosion							

Results

General Summary

- CO₂ quality specifications are **not** only a matter of CO₂ purity (i.e. CO₂ content).
- The “rest” also matters, in particular contents of reactive impurities affecting material corrosion (and rock alteration).
- Also chemical reactions in CO₂ stream needs to be considered, in particular when combining CO₂ streams of different compositions.

Results

Summary – Pipeline Steels

- Within “worst case” mixture (600 ppm_v H₂O and 100 ppm_v each NO₂ and SO₂) no significant corrosion occurred at ambient pressure
- At more than 600 ppm_v H₂O and “worst case” mixture
→ no corrosion of pipeline steels at temperatures ≥ 60 °C
- At 30 °C corrosion on pipeline steels only at water contents ≥ 8000 ppm_v.
- Due to acid condensation at 5 °C,
corrosion when water content ≥ 2000 ppm_v.
- At all temperatures slight corrosion,
when SO₂ ≥ 600 ppm_v and water content ≥ 2000 ppm_v.

Results

Summary (Autoclave Experiments)

Pressure only

- Mobility of potential acids is very different.
- HNO_3 selective and quickly corrosive
- H_2SO_4 immobile and hygroscopic

Pressure and load (bending frame)

- no SCC on pipeline steel detected
- corrosive conditions result in intergranular corrosion

Pressure, load and turbulent flow (bending frame, circulation)

- significant effects within the zone of turbulent impact
- condensation effects at joints within the circuit

Results

Consequences for CCUS Applications

- Commercially available carbon steels are suitable for compression and pipelines as long as moisture content and impurities are limited. (water 50 to 100 ppm_v, SO₂ and NO₂ ca. 100 ppm_v)
- Corrosion rates increase with increasing water content. (0.2 – 20 mm/a)
- Condensation of acids and therefore droplet formation is always possible, even at low water contents.
- A low SO₂ content within the CO₂-stream might be more important than a low water content.

Results

Consequences for CCUS Applications (cont.)

- Cr13-steels showed a general susceptibility to shallow pitting and pitting. So, they seem to be not suitable for CCUS applications.
- Low alloyed steels showed better corrosion behavior.
(predictable uniform corrosion)
- For direct contact with saline aquifer fluids only high alloyed steels shall be used.

Results

Knowledge Gaps

- Reaction kinetics of highly diluted gases in CO₂ (i.e.: oxidation of SO₂ to H₂SO₄, effect of particles)
- Condensation kinetics of highly dissolved impurities in CO₂ on pipeline steel
- Effective removal of highly dissolved impurities from CO₂
- Influence of impurities on parameters of equation of state (compare to Gernert, J. and R. Span 2016)
- Behavior of HAZ and welding material on welded CO₂-pipelines
- Behavior of sealings and sealing materials at changing CO₂-pressure
- Implementation of a demo pipeline within EU and Norway

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**Any questions,
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