

Methane–Carbon Dioxide: Conversions to Syngas and Hydrocarbons

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This monograph describes the new innovation that has recently been developed for the CH_4 – CO_2 conversions process. Optimization of CO_2 reforming of methane to synthesis gas with the help of experimental design, empirical modeling and ANN modeling are developed for CORM in presence of oxygen. An overview on dynamic equilibrium analysis has shown that an increase of sweep factors induced more significant enhancement hydrogen permeation than permselective area. The NiO/CeO₂ catalyst showed potential as catalyst for the CORM. The application of a hybrid catalytic DBD plasma reactor has the potential for the co–generation of C^{2+} hydrocarbons and synthesis gases from methane and carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide as co–feed has important effects on the carbon suppression. It can be concluded that three factors, i.e. CH_4/CO_2 feed ratio, total feed flow rate, and discharge voltage, in the DBD plasma reactor system have significant effects on the reactor performance. The hybrid catalytic DBD plasma reactor is more suitable for CO_2 OCM process than the conventional catalytic reactor over CaO–MnO/CeO₂ catalyst. Further innovation and improvement of current research on CH_4 and CO_2 are required to increase conversion and selectivity and to commercialize the process.



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