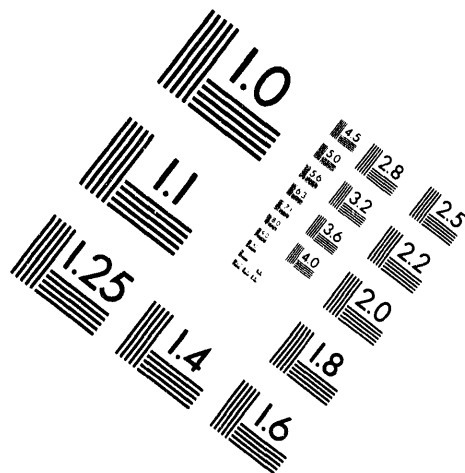


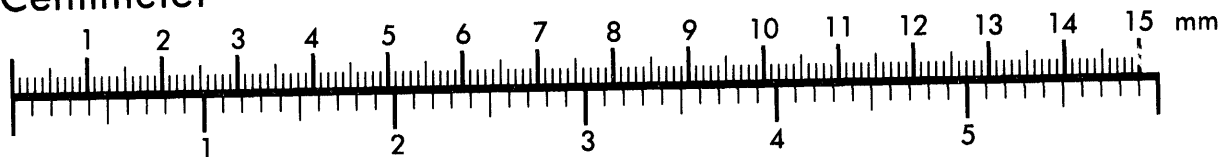
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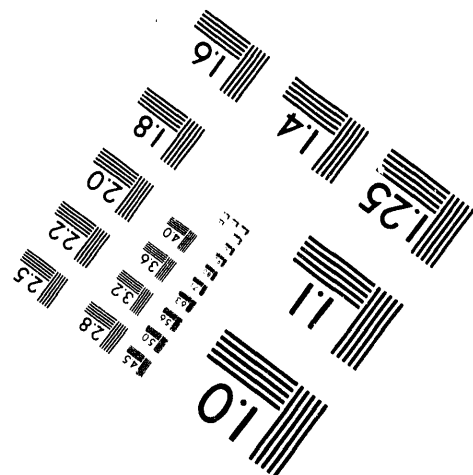
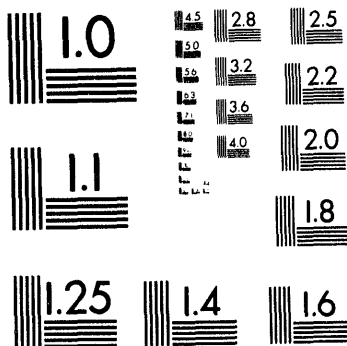
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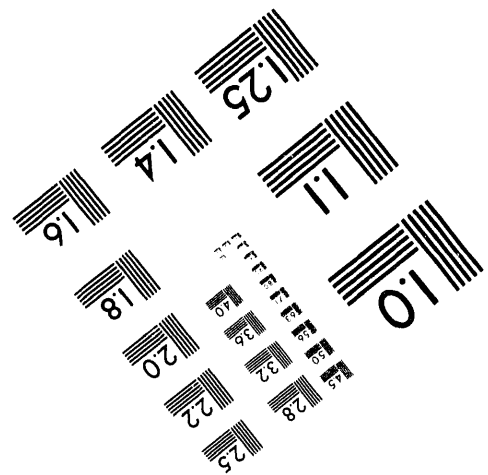
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ABSTRACT

The objective of this study is to obtain data on the rates of reaction between hydrogen sulfide (H_2S) and uncalcined calcium-based sorbents under operating conditions relevant to first stage (carbonizer) of Advanced Two-Stage Pressurized Fluidized-Bed Combustors (PFBC). In these systems the CO_2 partial pressure in the first stage generally exceeds the equilibrium value for calcium carbonate decomposition. Therefore, removal of sulfur compounds takes place through the reaction between H_2S and calcium carbonate.

To achieve this objective, the rates of reaction between hydrogen sulfide and uncalcined calcium-based sorbents will be determined by conducting tests in pressurized thermogravimetric analyzer (TGA) and high-pressure/high-temperature fluidized-bed reactor (HPTR) units. The effects of sorbent type, sorbent particle size, reactor temperature and pressure, and CO_2 and H_2S partial pressures on the sulfidation reaction rate will be determined.

During this quarter a series of sulfidation tests were conducted in the high-pressure high-temperature thermogravimetric analyzer (HPTGA unit) using limestone and dolomite. The results suggest that half-calcined dolomite is much more reactive than uncalcined limestone. Also, temperature in the range of 800° to $950^\circ C$ did not significantly affect the sulfidation reaction rates for both limestone and dolomite.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Second generation staged combustion processes for power generation systems such as Advanced Two Stage Fluidized-Bed Combustion (PFBC) combined cycle plants can achieve higher thermal efficiencies and a lower cost of electricity than a conventional pulverized coal-fired (PC fired) plant equipped with flue gas desulfurization. Because two-stage PFBC plants incorporate coal gasification and combustion and can use high sulfur coals in an environmentally acceptable manner, they have the potential to expand the marketability of high sulfur Illinois coals. Projected costs for two-stage PFBC plants are substantially lower than comparable pulverized-coal (PC) combustion plants, especially if air emission regulations were to require much lower SO₂ emissions.

In the two-stage PFBC processes supported by the United States Department of Energy, calcium-based sorbents such as limestone and dolomite are added to the first stage reactor to capture hydrogen sulfide as calcium sulfide (CaS) in the reducing atmosphere of the carbonizer. The partially sulfided calcium-based sorbent is transferred to the second stage where the unreacted calcium oxide is reacted with SO₂ and oxygen in the oxidizing atmosphere of the combustor to produce calcium sulfate. The calcium sulfide is also expected to react with oxygen and convert to calcium sulfate.

The partial pressure of CO₂ in the carbonizer usually exceeds the equilibrium value for calcination of calcium carbonate. Under such conditions, the removal of sulfur compounds takes place through the reaction of hydrogen sulfide and calcium carbonate (direct sulfidation reaction). However, the kinetics of the direct sulfidation reaction at the carbonizer operating condition is not available. This information is one of the key factors in determination of the optimum sorbent needs in two-stage PFBC processes.

A systematic study of the direct sulfidation reaction occurring in the first stage of the two-stage PFBC is necessary in order to improve the economic and environmental advantages of two-stage PFBC processes by maximizing the utilization of calcium-based sorbents and minimizing the production of solid waste materials by such processes.

The objective of this investigation is to obtain data on the rates of reaction between hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) and uncalcined calcium-based sorbents under operating conditions expected in the first stage of the two-stage PFBC (carbonizer), where because of generally high CO₂ partial pressure, sulfur capture takes place through the direct reaction between H₂S and calcium carbonate.

This project has focused on the determination of the rates of reaction between uncalcined sorbents and hydrogen sulfide at the operating conditions that are expected to prevail in the carbonizer. This systematic study included determination of the effects of sorbent type (i.e. limestone or dolomite), sorbent particle size, CO_2 and H_2S partial pressures, as well as reactor temperature and pressure on the direct sulfidation reaction. The rate of reaction with fully calcined sorbents at near equilibrium CO_2 partial pressure are also measured to determine the relative rates of sulfidation reactions involving calcined and uncalcined sorbents.

The results of this study will allow a more accurate estimation to be made of the amount of sorbent needed in two-stage PFBC processes, thereby maximizing the sulfur capture efficiency while minimizing disposal of solid wastes and reducing the cost of electricity produced by these types of plants.

During this quarter a series of sulfidation tests were conducted in the high-pressure/high-temperature thermogravimetric analyzer (HPTGA) unit using limestone and dolomite of average particle size 0.03 cm. Several runs performed under identical conditions were used to verify the repeatability of data obtained using the HPTGA. Tests were conducted in the temperature range of 800°C to 950°C at a pressure of 12 bar. CO_2 concentration in the gas ranged from 7% to 24%, and H_2S concentration from 0.1% to 1%.

Uncalcined limestone was found to have a very low reactivity toward H_2S at CO_2 concentrations high enough to inhibit calcination of calcium carbonate, with ultimate conversions only of the order of 10%. Half-calcined dolomite, on the other hand, achieved near 100% conversion under identical conditions. Temperature in the range of 800°C to 950°C was not found to have a significant effect on the reaction rate for either sorbent. Direct sulfidation tests with limestone using H_2S concentrations of 0.1, 0.3 and 1% at 17% CO_2 showed little change in the reaction rate, and the ultimate conversion achieved in all tests was about 10%. Changing CO_2 concentration had little effect on the reaction of H_2S with limestone, but an increase of CO_2 concentration seemed to result in a noticeable increase in reaction rate with half-calcined dolomite. The effect of CO_2 concentration will be investigated further next quarter.

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OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of this project is to obtain data on the rates of reaction between hydrogen sulfide (H_2S) and uncalcined calcium carbonate in limestone and dolomite under operating conditions expected in the first stage of two-stage PFBC (carbonizer), where in general, because of high CO_2 partial pressure, sulfur capture takes place through the direct reaction between H_2S and calcium carbonate.

The program goal is especially directed toward combustion, research priority Section 2.1A: Studies that would lead to improved performance or solve problems, related to advanced CFBC or PFEC and other innovative combustors.

The specific objectives of this project are to -

1. Obtain experimental data on the rates of reaction between selected uncalcined (and calcined) calcium-based sorbents and hydrogen sulfide at operating conditions expected in the carbonizer or gasifier.
2. Determine the effects of operating variables such as reactor temperature and pressure, sorbent type and particle size; and CO_2 and H_2S partial pressures on the sulfidation reaction rates.
3. Provide a direct comparison between the rates of sulfidation reactions involving calcium-based sorbent under CO_2 partial pressure in the vicinity of the equilibrium value for calcination of calcium carbonate.
4. Estimate the extent of desulfurization in the first stage (carbonizer) of the Advanced Two Stage Pressurized Fluidized-Bed Combustors.
5. Establish a guideline for selection of the operating variables in the two-stage PFBC process for optimum removal of H_2S in the carbonizer stage.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Illinois has large reserves of high-sulfur, caking coals. These coals cannot be used directly for power generation due to emissions regulations of SO_2 , unless scrubbers are used which decrease thermal efficiency and increase the cost of electricity (COE). Two technologies, Advanced Two Stage Fluidized Bed Combustion (PFBC)⁽¹⁻⁴⁾, and Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC), are being developed that can use high sulfur coals

in an economical and environmentally sound manner.⁽⁵⁻⁶⁾ Two-stage PFBC involves the use of a pressurized fluid bed combustor integrated with a fluid bed "partial" gasifier in a combined cycle plant to generate power. Depending on the design selected, two-stage PFBC can achieve 45% efficiency and a COE at least 20% lower than that of a pulverized coal-fired (PC-fired) plant equipped with flue gas desulfurization.^(1,2) IGCC is another attractive option for power generation. In this concept, pressurized fluidized bed gasification of coal is integrated into a power and steam generating combined cycle.⁽⁴⁻⁵⁾ With either option, sulfur removal efficiencies of at least 90% are expected by using calcium-based sorbents as in-situ capture agents.

In the two-stage PFBC processes supported by the United States Department of Energy, such as those proposed by Foster Wheeler⁽¹⁾, Kellogg⁽²⁾, and British Coal⁽³⁾, calcium-based sorbents such as limestone and dolomite are added to the first stage reactor to capture hydrogen sulfide as calcium sulfide (CaS) in the reducing atmosphere of the carbonizer. The partially sulfided calcium-based sorbent is transferred to the second stage where the unreacted calcium oxide is reacted with SO₂ in the oxidizing atmosphere of the combustor to produce calcium sulfate. The calcium sulfide is also expected to react with oxygen and convert to calcium sulfate.

Depending on the partial pressure of CO₂ in the carbonizer, the CaCO₃ in the sorbent will either exist as CaCO₃ or calcine to CaO. Calcination of CaCO₃ proceeds by the following reaction:



H₂S is either removed in the carbonizer/gasifier by reaction with uncalcined limestone, as in Reaction (2):



or by reaction with calcined limestone, as in Reaction (3):



The extent to which Reaction (1) proceeds is determined by the bed temperature and the partial pressure of CO₂ in the carbonizer. The following correlation was used to estimate the equilibrium CO₂ partial pressure for the decomposition of CaCO₃.⁽⁷⁾

$$P_{CO_2} = 10 \left[\frac{-8799.7}{T} + 7.521 \right] \quad (i)$$

In Equation (i), P_{CO_2} is the equilibrium partial pressure of CO_2 in atmospheres, and T is temperature in degrees Kelvin. If the partial pressure of CO_2 in the gasifier is less than the equilibrium CO_2 pressure determined by Reaction (1), H_2S removal will take place by Reaction (3). If the CO_2 partial pressure exceeds that equilibrium pressure, H_2S will be removed by Reaction (2). It should be noted that the $MgCO_3$ present in the feed limestone or dolomite always calcines to MgO under typical fluidized-bed gasifier operating conditions. Furthermore MgO does not remove H_2S from the system to any significant extent.

Experimental data on the reactivity of calcium-based sorbents toward H_2S in the direct sulfidation reaction (Reaction 2) at the carbonizer operating conditions are not available. This information is one of the key factors in determination of the optimum calcium to sulfur ratio in the two-stage PFBC processes.

Experimental data of the sulfidation under operating conditions in the vicinity of the equilibrium condition for calcium carbonate decomposition are needed to determine the relative rate of the sulfidation reaction [Reactions (2) and (3)] to optimize the operating conditions for successful desulfurization in the carbonizer.

The other key factor for determination of the optimum utilization of calcium-based sorbent in two-stage PFBC is sulfation of the partially sulfided sorbent in the second stage of the process (pressurized combustor) --



Experimental data of this direct sulfation reaction involving partially sulfided sorbent are also not available. The calcium sulfide present in the sorbent can also react with oxygen in the combustor to produce calcium sulfate



The calcium sulfate produced through Reaction (5) may plug the pores of the sorbent (especially when limestone is used) and prevent diffusion of SO_2 and oxygen into the unreacted core resulting in inability of the sorbent to capture sulfur dioxide.

Fresh sorbent may be added to the second stage (pressurized combustor) to overcome such a problem.

A systematic study of the complex desulfurization reactions occurring in the both stages of the two-stage PFBC is necessary in order to improve the economic and environmental advantages of two-stage PFBC processes by maximizing the utilization of calcium-based sorbents and minimizing the production of solid waste materials by such processes.

This research program will focus on the determination of the mechanism and the rate of sulfur capture through the direct sulfidation reaction (Reaction 2) that is expected to prevail in the gasifier. Sulfidation tests with calcined sorbents will also be conducted to determine the relative rates of Reactions (2) and (3). This is the first step toward the determination of the optimum desulfurization technique in two-stage PFBC processes. Determination of the mechanism and the rate of sulfur capture through the reactions prevailing in the combustor should follow upon completion of this program.

The experimental tests in this program will be conducted in a pressurized batch, fluidized-bed reactor currently available at IGT and a state-of-the-art pressurized Thermogravimetric Analyzer (TGA) unit that has been purchased by IGT for use in this program. The proposed study will specifically focus on the determination of the effects of various operating variables on the sulfidation reaction [Reactions (2) and (3)] at carbonizer operating conditions.

The information that will be generated in this program is very important in the development of Advanced Two-Stage Fluidized Bed Processes (PFBC) that are especially suitable for utilization of high sulfur Illinois coals.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

The project is divided into the following four tasks:

- Task 1. Sorbent Preparation and Characterization
- Task 2. Direct Sulfidation Reaction Tests in the Pressurized TGA
- Task 3. Pressurized Fluidized-Bed Tests
- Task 4. Analyses of Reaction Rate Data

Because the equilibrium partial pressure of CO_2 at carbonizer temperatures exceeds one atmosphere, the tests must be conducted in pressurized reactors. The tests in this program will be conducted in a pressurized Thermogravimetric Analyzer (TGA) unit, as well as a High-Pressure/High-Temperature Batch Fluidized Bed Reactor (HPTR). Both of these units are capable of operation at elevated pressure and temperature. The HPTR unit is currently available at IGT and the pressurized TGA unit has been purchased by IGT for use in this project. The delivery and installation of the TGA unit is expected to be completed during the second quarter of this project.

The TGA experiments will determine the rate of the sulfidation reactions at various operating conditions. The HPTR tests are designed to confirm the applicability of the reaction rate determined by the TGA experiments, to the fluidized-bed operation.

The schematic diagram the HPTR reactor is shown in Figure 1, and the schematic diagram of the pressurized HPTGA unit is shown in Figure 2. The detailed description of the experimental procedures involving these units are given in the section under "Task 2" and "Task 3".

Sorbents Preparation and Characterization

Two sorbents have been tested in this program. These sorbents, including one limestone and one dolomite, have already been tested in the previous ICCI-funded programs. The desired particle sizes of each sorbent were obtained by crushing and screening the selected sorbent. The average particle sizes to be used in this program are 100, 300, and 900 μm . The weight fraction of the key components including calcium, magnesium, and silicon were determined for each cut for both sorbents to ensure the accuracy of the TGA analyses which is totally based on the composition of the starting solid. Physical properties of all batches of the sorbents such as porosity, specific surface area, and pore size distribution will also be determined. This information will be used in analyses of the reaction rate data to correlate the reaction rate to physical properties of the sorbents.

Task 2. Sulfidation Reaction Tests in the Pressurized TGA

The objective of this task is to determine the rate of reaction between H_2S and uncalcined limestone (and half-calcined dolomite) at operating conditions expected in the

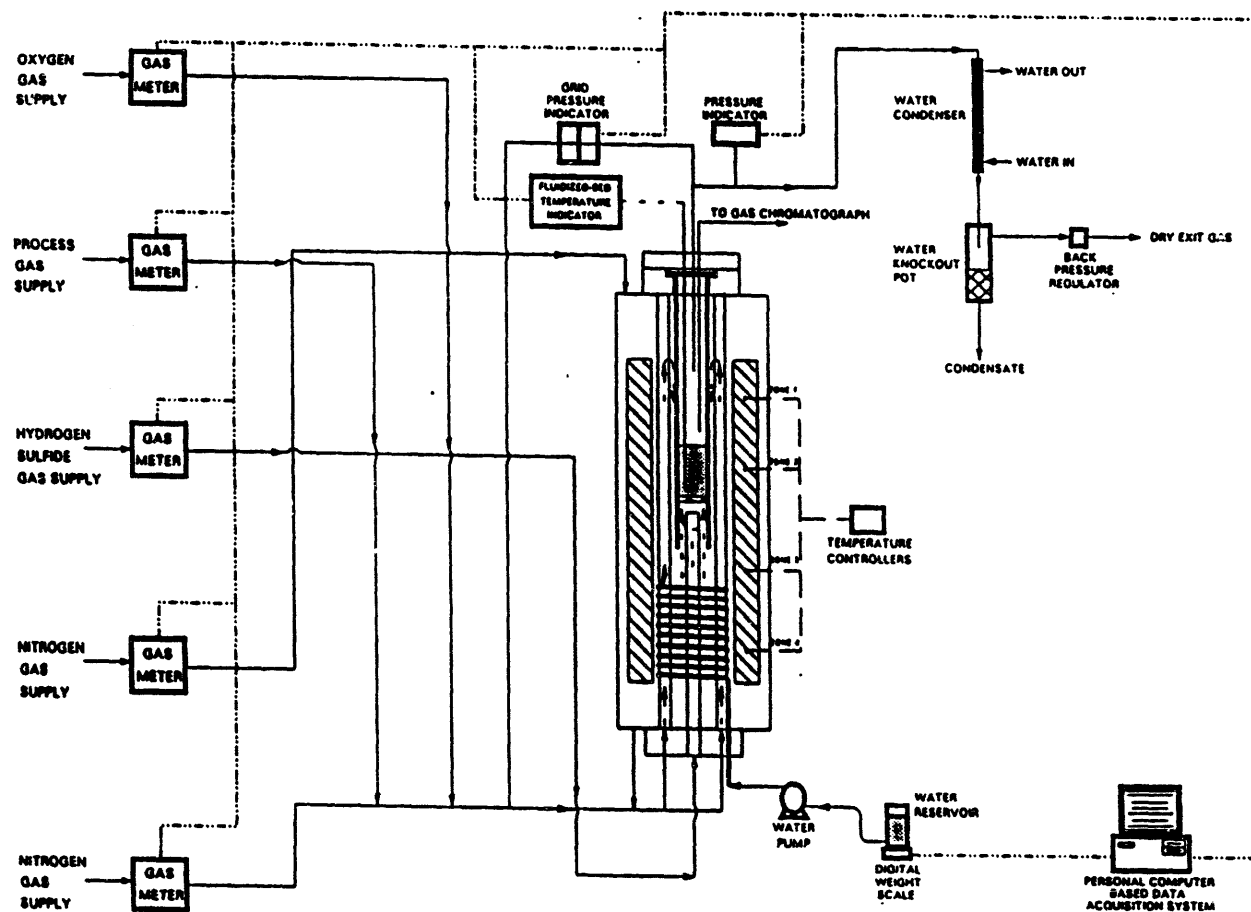


Figure 1. SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM FOR THE HIGH-PRESSURE / HIGH-TEMPERATURE FLUIDIZED-BED REACTOR (HPTR)

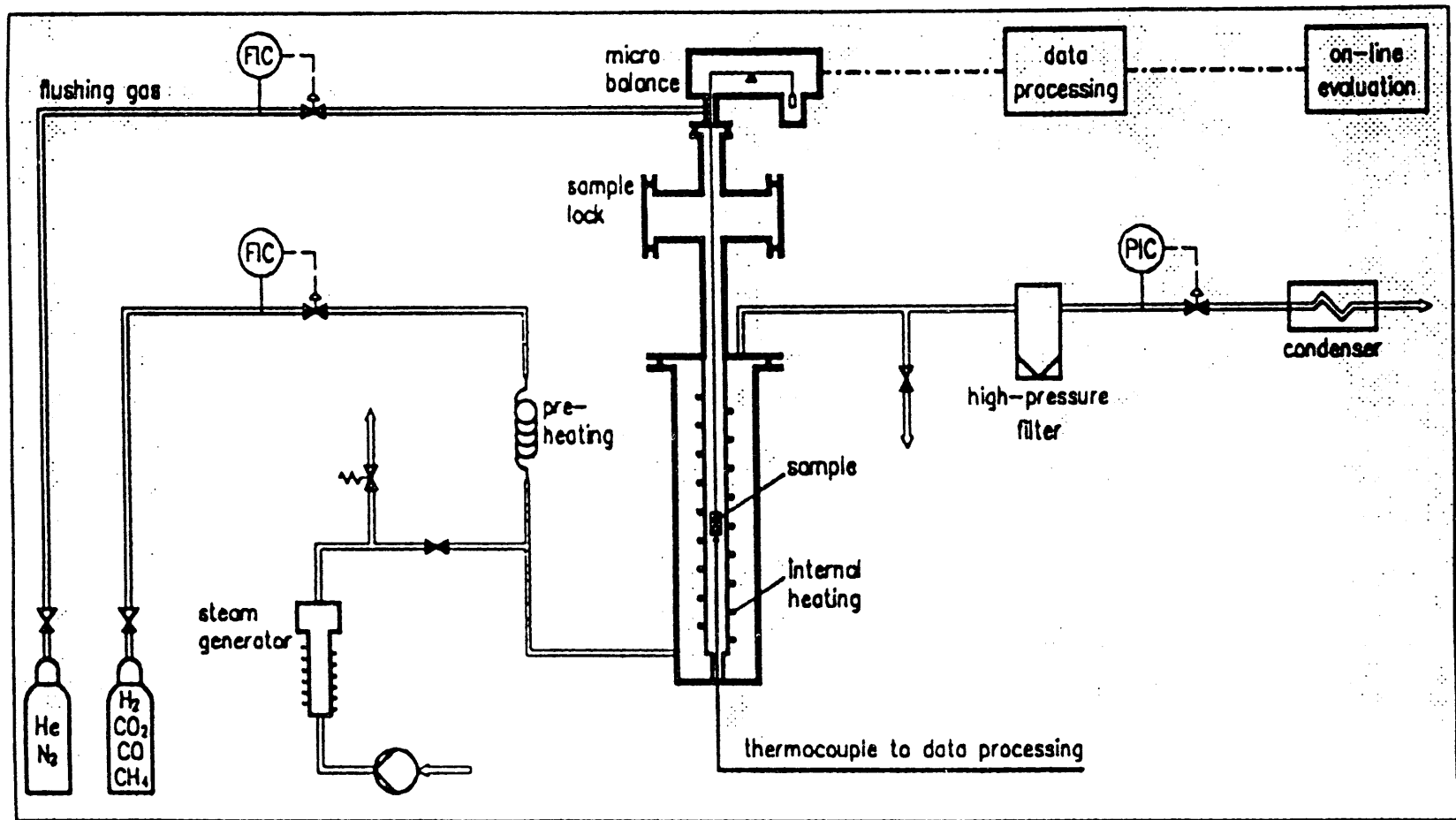


Figure 2. SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF THE PRESSURIZED HPTGA UNIT

first stage (carbonizer) of two-stage PFBC processes. The effects of sorbent type, sorbent particle size, CO_2 and H_2S partial pressures, and reactor pressures and reaction temperatures on the reaction rate will be determined. Sulfidation tests will also be conducted with CO_2 partial pressures slightly below the equilibrium values, to determine the rate of reaction with calcined sorbents in the vicinity of equilibrium. These tests will be conducted with both sorbents, in the temperature range of 1500 to 1800°F, pressure range of 10 to 20 atmospheres, and a sorbent particle size in the range of 100 μm to 900 μm .

The schematic diagram of the TGA unit is shown in Figure 2. In a typical TGA test, the wire mesh basket containing the sample is initially in the upper section of the reactor in which a downward flow of an inert gas at ambient temperature is maintained. During this time the desired conditions are established in the lower, heated section of the reactor in the presence of flowing inert gases. The reactor gas is then changed to a gas mixture with the desired composition when the reactor temperature has reached the desired value. The test is initiated by lowering the sample into the heated zone while its weight is continually monitored and recorded as the sorbent reacts with the gas. The test is terminated when the sample weight reaches a constant value (no weight loss or gain).

Because the gas flow rates in the reactor are sufficiently high to essentially eliminate changes in the gas composition, the reactions occur under a constant and known environment. Under these conditions the weight loss-versus-time characteristics can be used to determine the reaction rates under constant conditions.

Sulfidation reaction tests have been conducted using limestone and dolomite in the temperature range of 800° to 950°C and a pressure of 12 bar. CO_2 concentration in the gas ranged from 7% to 24% and H_2S concentration from 0.1% to 1%.

Task 3. Pressurized Fluidized-Bed Tests

The objective of this task is determine the extent of desulfurization in pressurized fluidized-bed environment to confirm the applicability of the TGA data to the fluidized-bed operation. Four tests are planned in this task. These tests will be conducted in a 3-inch pressurized fluidized-bed reactor (HPTR) at 1650°F and 12 atmospheres. Two tests will be conducted at the baseline operating conditions described earlier and the other two tests will be conducted at lower CO_2 partial pressure with calcined sorbents.

The schematic diagram of the HPTR unit is shown in Figure 1. In a typical fluidized bed sulfidation tests, about 500 grams of the sorbent are heated in the reactor in an inert gas containing the desired concentration of CO_2 . The gas is switched to a reactant gas containing CO_2 and H_2S when the reactor pressure and temperature reach the desired level. The reactor effluent is continually monitored by an on line gas chromatograph to determine the extent of the H_2S removal. The test is terminated by stopping the flow of the H_2S to the reactor. The reactor is depressurized and the heat is then turned off to allow the temperature to reach ambient conditions. The reacted sorbents are removed from the reactor and are analyzed to determine the extent of sulfidation. The results of solid analyses and those of GC analysis of the reactor effluent are used to determine the sulfur balance in the test. The results of these tests couples with those from the TGA tests will be used to estimate sulfur removal from carbonizers/gasifiers. This task will be performed next quarter.

Task 4. Analyses of Reaction Rate Data

The objective of this task is to provide guidelines for estimation of sulfur removal from a carbonizer/gasifier at different operating conditions.

The reaction rate data to be obtained in Task 2 will be used to estimate the extent of sulfur removal in the 3-inch pressurized fluidized-bed reactor using classical hydrodynamic models. Comparison of the estimated and actual sulfur removal from the fluidized-bed reactor will provide the necessary information to make more accurate predictions on the extent of desulfurization in a large-scale carbonizer/gasifier. This task will be completed after all the necessary data have been obtained.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

During this quarter eighteen sulfidation tests were conducted in the HPTGA unit in addition to analyzing data obtained toward the end of the last quarter. Limestone and dolomite were the sorbents used, with an average particle size of 0.03 cm. Table 1 shows the weight percent Ca, Mg and Si in these sorbents, as determined by chemical analysis. Table 2 lists the conditions (temperature and gas composition) for the tests conducted thus far. The conditions were designed to study the effects of temperature, and the partial pressures of CO_2 and H_2S . All tests were conducted at a pressure of 12 bar. The test with

Table 1. CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF SORBENTS

Sorbent	Weight Percent		
	Ca	Mg	Si
Limestone	36.8	0.39	0.16
Dolomite	19.9	11.7	0.16

7% CO_2 in the gas was designed to obtain data under conditions that permit calcination of the CaCO_3 in the sorbent. All other tests were at CO_2 concentrations high enough to prevent calcination of CaCO_3 .

Figure 3 shows the results of direct sulfidation baseline tests on limestone. The plot shows the results of three separate tests at identical conditions in the HPTGA unit, indicating excellent repeatability of the measured sulfidation reaction rates. Similar results are shown for dolomite in Figure 4, which compares the results of two identical baseline tests. Comparison of the direct sulfidation rates for limestone and dolomite in Figures 3 and 4 shows that the conversion achieved with limestone was only about 10%, while near 100% conversion was achieved with dolomite. Figure 5 compares the sulfidation reaction rates for direct sulfidation of limestone at 12% CO_2 with the rate for sulfidation of calcined limestone at 7% CO_2 . The calcined limestone yielded near 100% conversion in contrast to about 10% for the direct sulfidation test. Tests have also been conducted for both limestone and dolomite to determine rates during simultaneous calcination and sulfidation. These data are currently being analyzed.

Figure 6 shows the effect of temperature on direct sulfidation rates for dolomite at a CO_2 concentration of 12%. The difference in rate between the tests at 800°C and 900°C in this figure is of the order of experimental uncertainties, and is therefore not considered significant. Figure 7 shows a comparison of direct sulfidation rates for dolomite at 900°C and 950°C under a CO_2 concentration of 24%. Again, no significant difference in rate was observed. Tests with limestone at conditions identical to those in Figures 6 and 7 also did not show any significant effect of temperature on the direct sulfidation rate.

A comparison of the direct sulfidation rate for half calcined dolomite at 12% CO_2 concentration in Figure 6 with that at 24% CO_2 in Figure 7 shows the rate to be higher at 24% CO_2 . This result appears anomalous, since one would intuitively expect higher CO_2 concentration to inhibit the reaction. However, a similar increase in rate at high CO_2

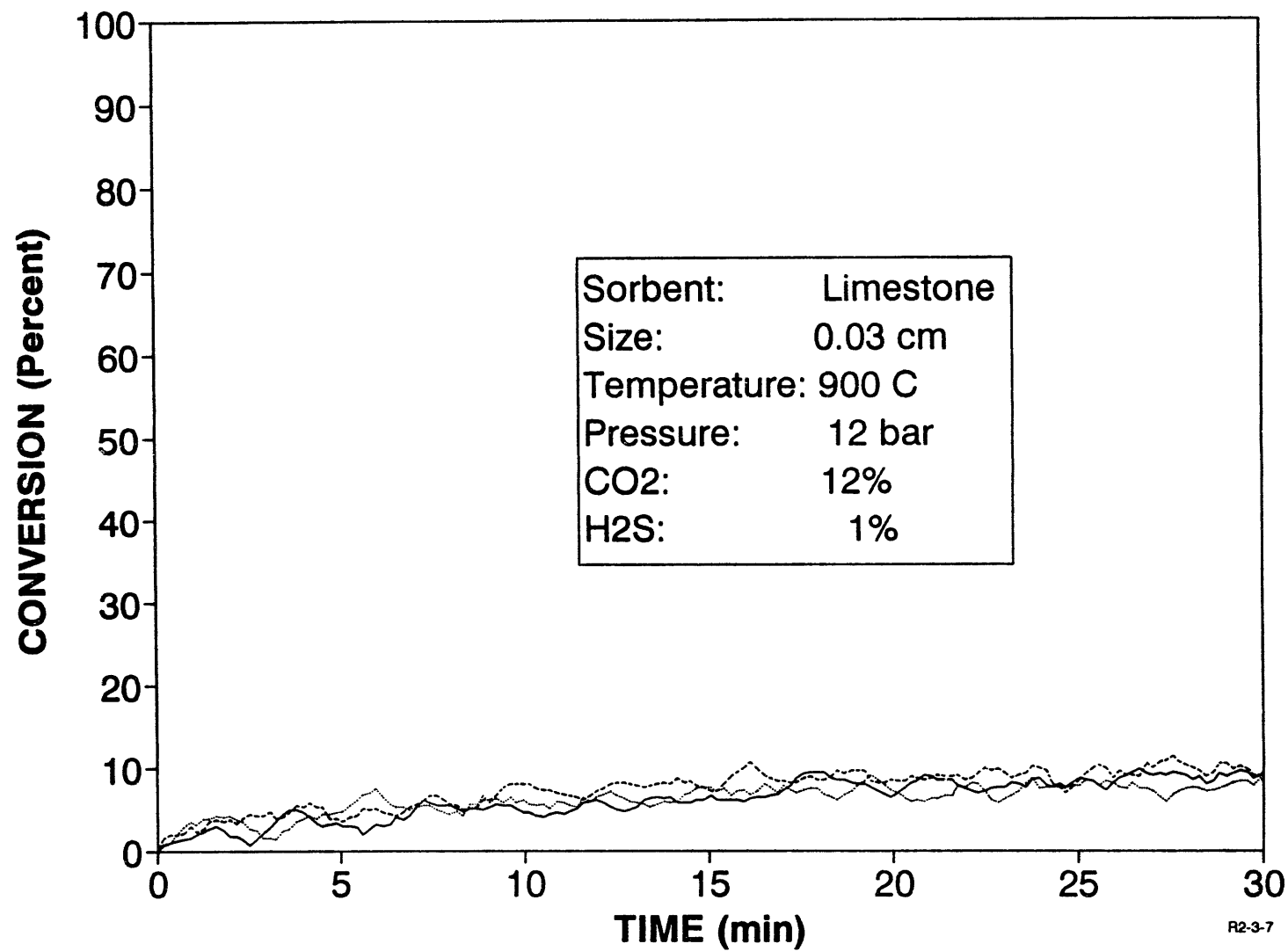


Figure 3. REPEATABILITY OF SULFIDATION REACTION RATE MEASUREMENT INVOLVING UNCALCINED LIMESTONE

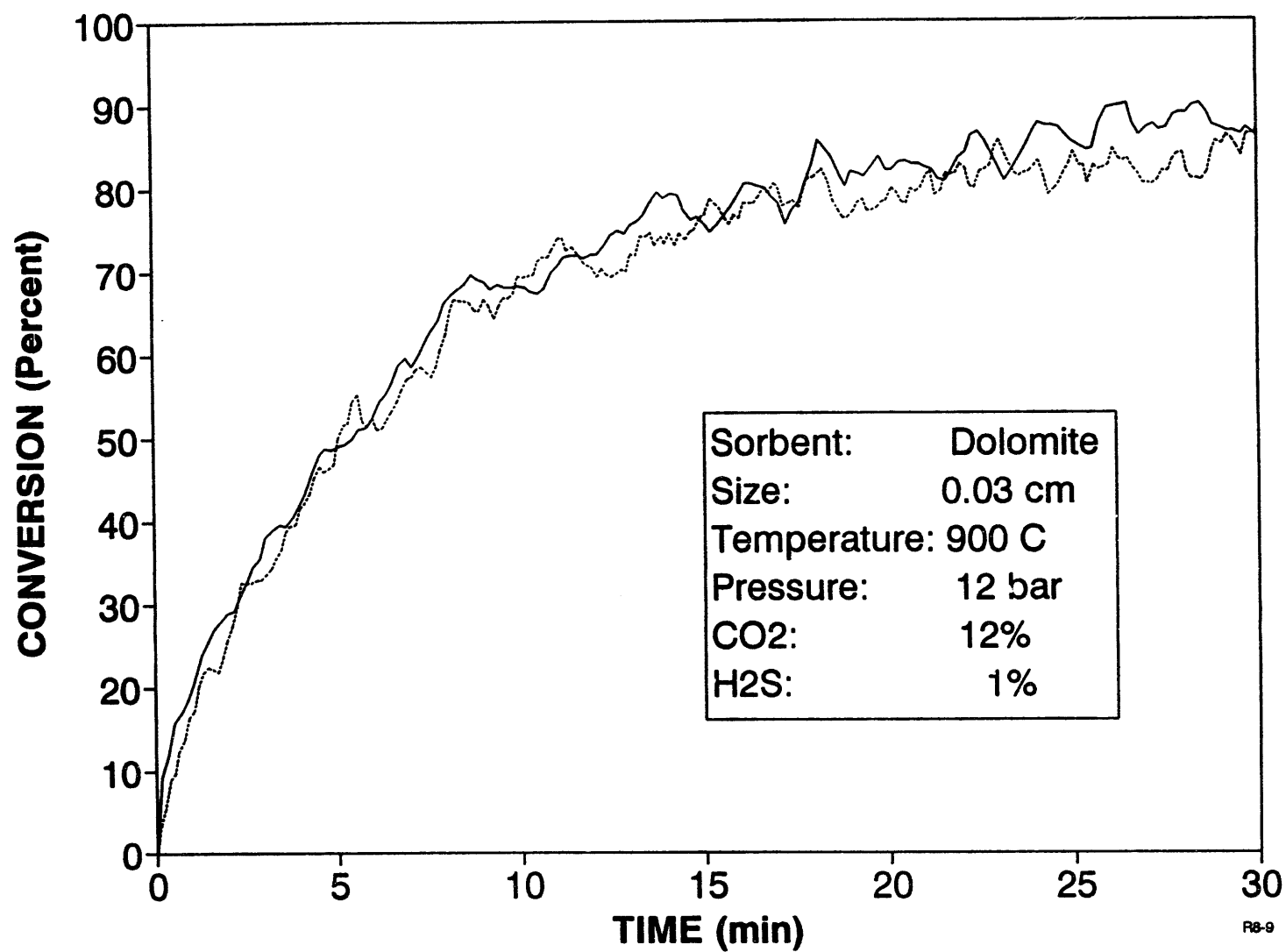


Figure 4. REPEATABILITY OF SULFIDATION REACTION RATE MEASUREMENT INVOLVING HALF-CALCINED DOLOMITE

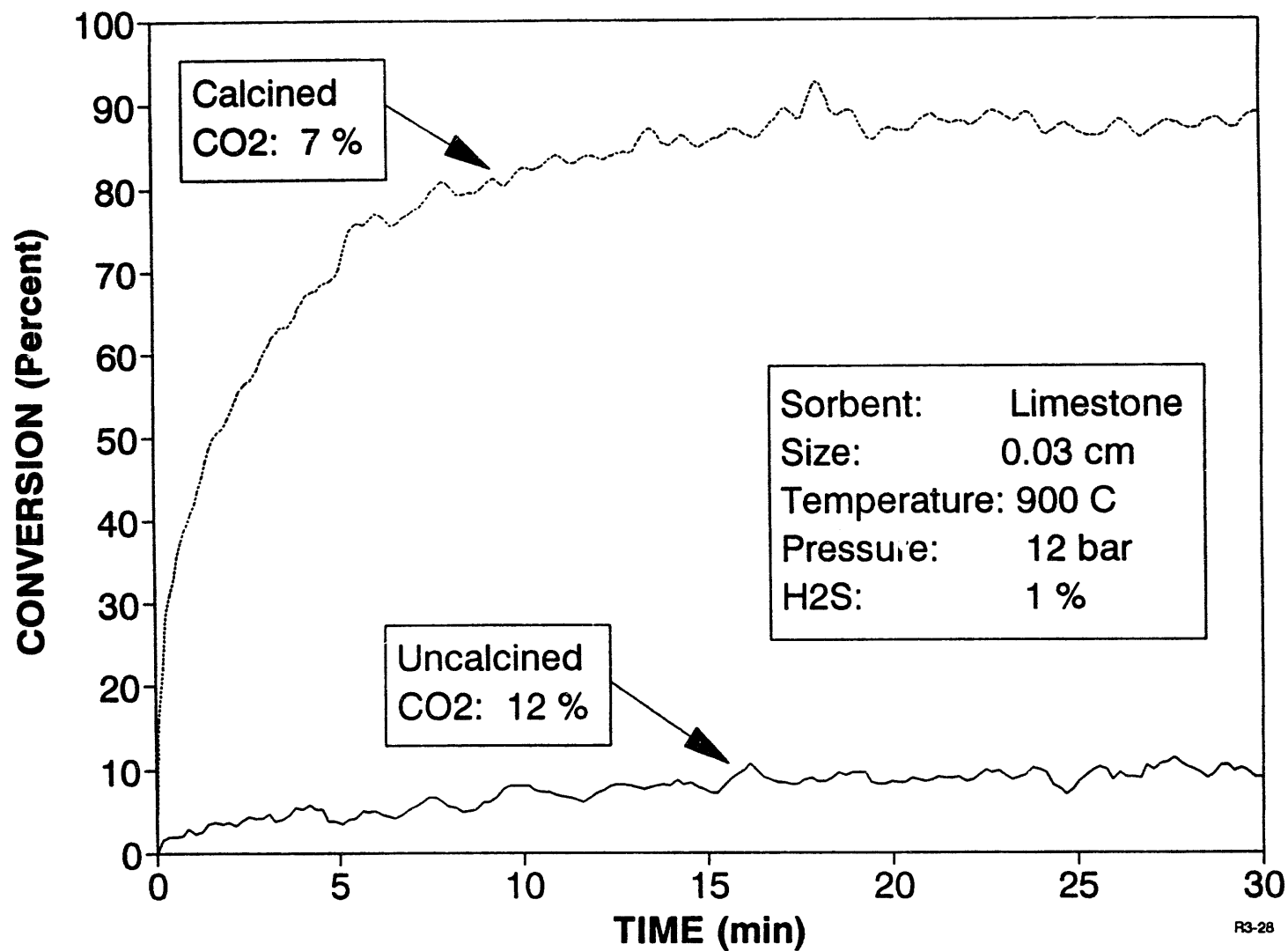


Figure 5. COMPARISON OF SULFIDATION REACTION RATES INVOLVING UNCALCINED AND CALCINED LIMESTONE

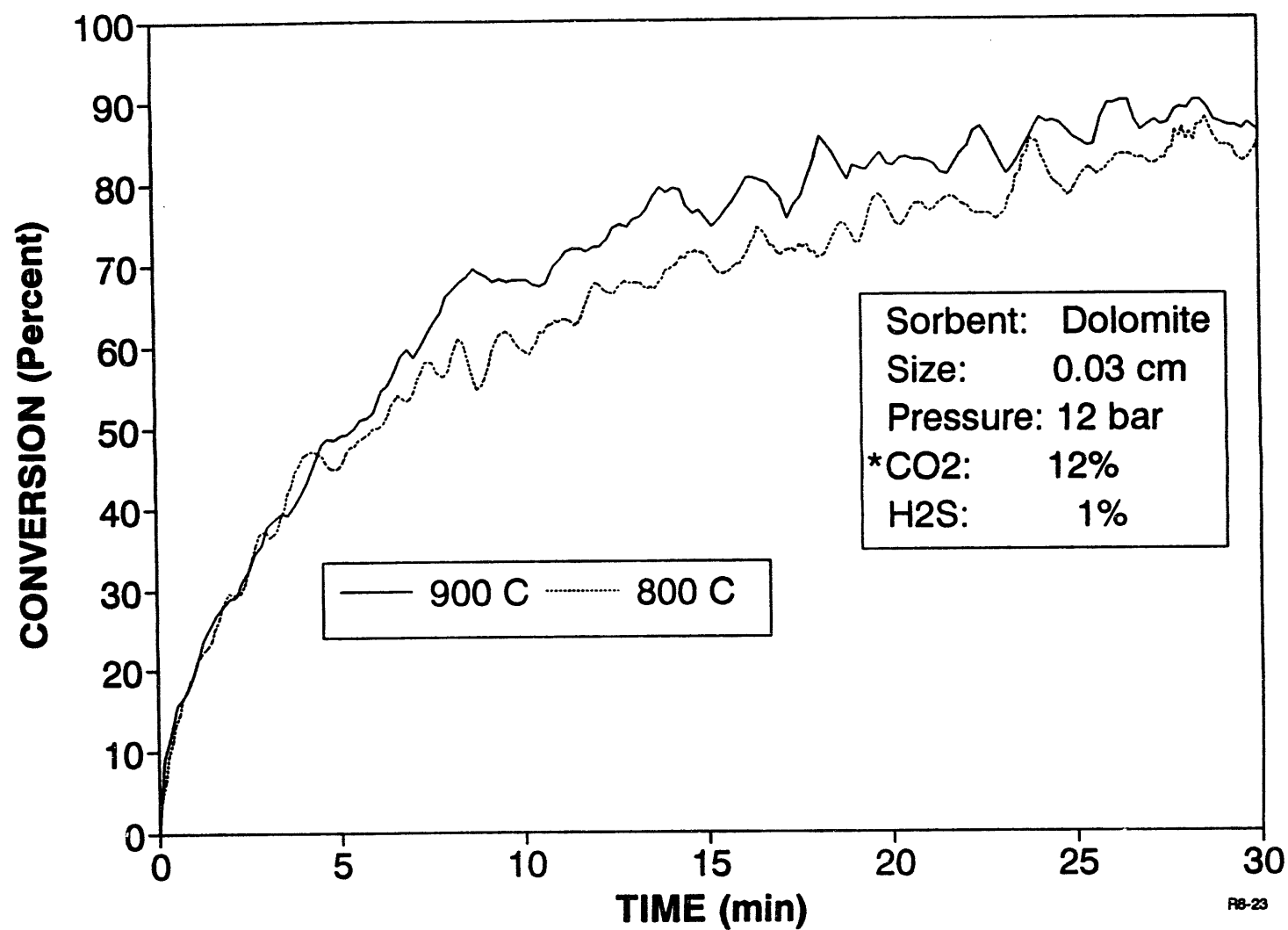


Figure 6. EFFECT OF TEMPERATURE ON THE SULFIDATION REACTION RATE AT 12% CO₂

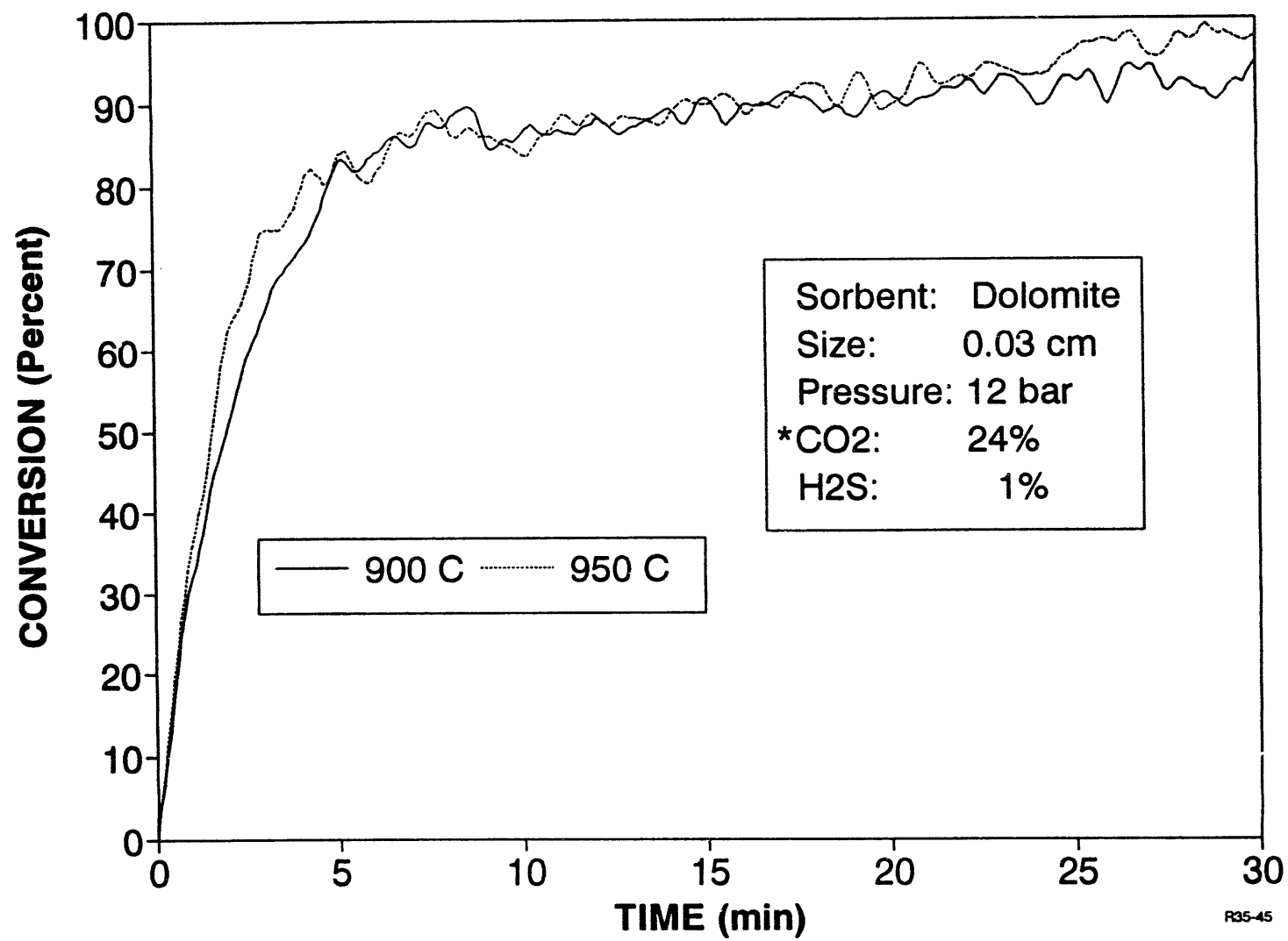


Figure 7. EFFECT OF TEMPERATURE ON THE SULFIDATION REACTION RATE AT 24% CO₂

Table 2. TEST CONDITIONS

Sorbent	T, °C	Gas Composition* (%)		Remarks
		CO ₂	H ₂ S	
Limestone	900	12	1	Three baseline tests (repeatability)
	900	17	1	Effect of H ₂ S concentration
	900	17	0.3	Effect of H ₂ S concentration
	900	17	0.1	Effect of H ₂ S concentration
	900	24	1	Effect of CO ₂ partial pressure
	800	12	1	Effect of temperature
	950	24	1	Effect of temperature
	900	7	1	Calcined sorbent
	900	7	1	Simultaneous calcination and sulfidation
	900	12	1	Two baseline tests (repeatability)
Dolomite	900	24	1	Effect of CO ₂ partial pressure
	800	12	1	Effect of temperature
	950	24	1	Effect of temperature
	900	7	1	Calcined sorbent
	900	7	1	Simultaneous calcination and sulfidation
	900	12	1	Two baseline tests (repeatability)

* All gases contain 4% H₂ to inhibit H₂S decomposition.
Matrix gas is nitrogen.

concentrations has been observed by Ruth et al⁽⁸⁾ in their work at atmospheric pressure and temperatures below 700°C. They speculated that this seemingly anomalous behavior may be related to how the gas environment affects the way in which CaS grows within the solid microstructure. We plan to investigate this result further by conducting a test at an intermediate CO₂ concentration of 17%.

Direct sulfidation tests are also being conducted to study the effect of H₂S concentrations of 1%, 0.3% and 0.1% have been completed, and the rate was not found to be sensitive to the H₂S concentration.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The results obtained this quarter suggest that half-calcined dolomite is much more effective than uncalcined limestone for sulfur removal at conditions that inhibit calcination of CaCO₃. Temperature variation in the range of 800° to 950°C was found to have little effect on the sulfidation rate in these tests.

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COMMENTS

Because of the delay in the installation of the new high-pressure thermogravimetric analyzer (HPTGA), the sulfidation reaction tests were delayed for six months. However, we managed to complete a large number of the tests and expect to complete all the tests planned for this program by the end of June. Despite the delay encountered, the project is expected to be completed within the schedule.

SULFUR REMOVAL IN ADVANCED TWO-STAGE PRESSURIZED FLUIDIZED-BED COMBUSTION

EXPENDITURES - EXHIBIT B

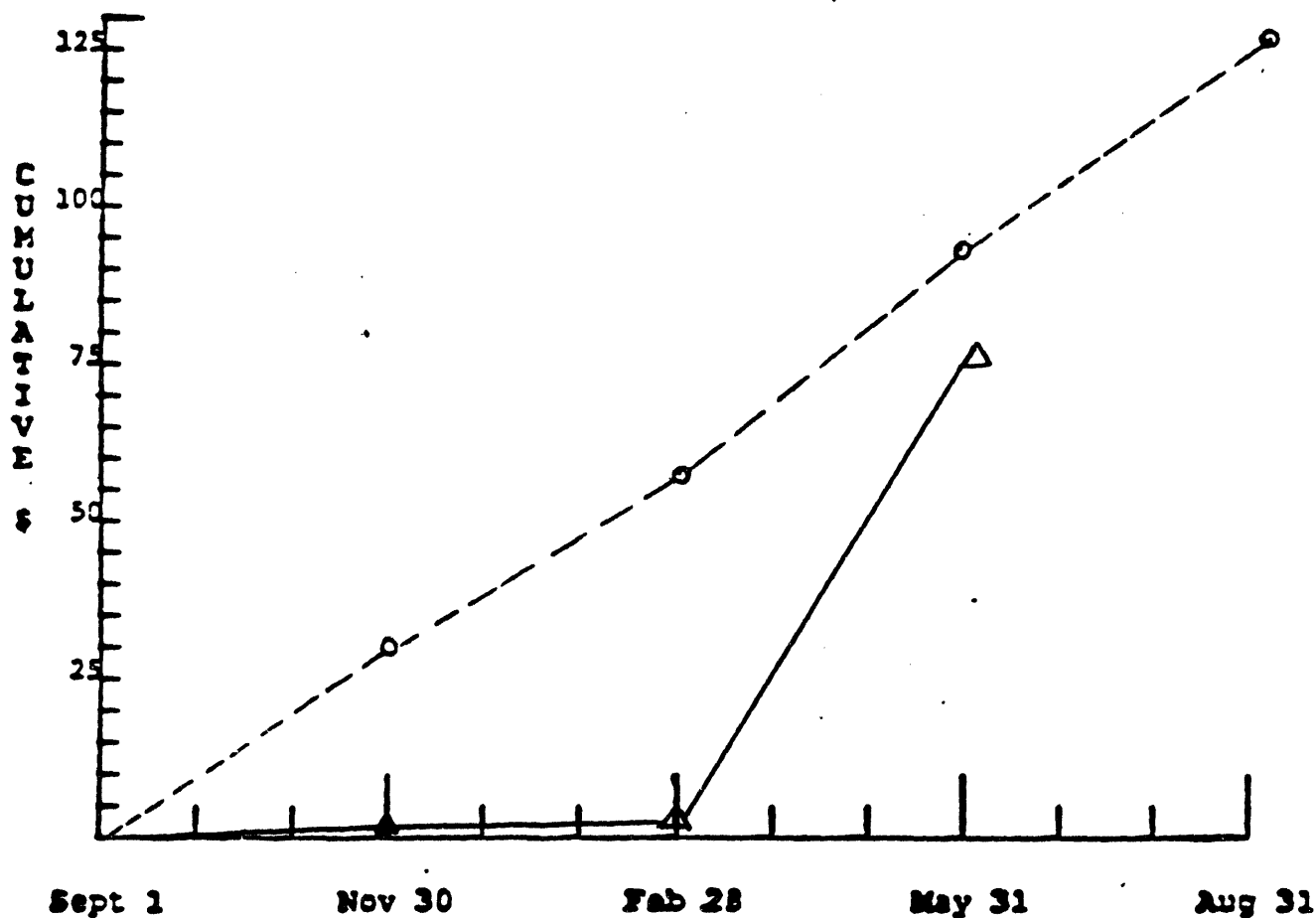
CUMULATIVE PROJECTED AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES BY QUARTER

Quarter*	Types of Cost	Direct Labor	Fringe Benefits	Materials & Supplies	Travel	Major Equipment	Other Direct Costs	Indirect Costs	Total
Sept. 1, 1993 to Nov. 30, 1993	Projected	10,905		400	0			19,255	30,560
	Estimated	300		0	0			527	827
Sept. 1, 1993 to Feb. 28, 1994	Projected	21,810		1,900	0			38,749	62,459
	Estimated	2,608		250	0			4,627	7,495
Sept. 1, 1993 to May 31, 1994	Projected	32,715		3,400	0			58,240	94,355
	Estimated	26,454		3,500	0			47,254	77,208
Sept. 1, 1993 to Aug. 31, 1994	Projected	43,314		4,000	560			77,116	124,990
	Estimated								

*Cumulative by Quarter

CUMULATIVE COSTS BY QUARTER - EXHIBIT C

Sulfur Removal in Advanced Two Staged Pressurized Fluidized Bed Combustion
(IN THOUSANDS)



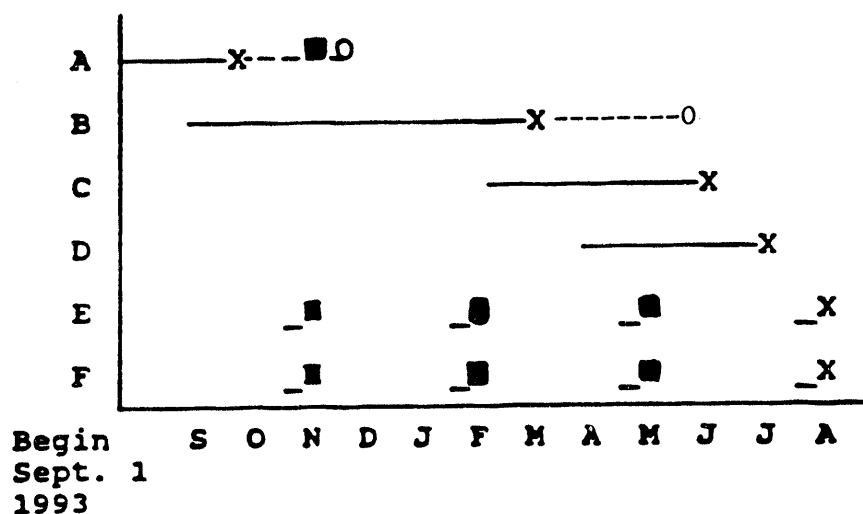
Months and Quarters

○ = Projected Expenditures \$94,355

△ = Actual Expenditures \$77,208

Total ICCI Award \$ 124,990

**SULFUR REMOVAL IN ADVANCED TWO-STAGE
PRESSURIZED FLUIDIZED-BED COMBUSTION**



- A. Sorbents Preparation and Characterization
- B. Sulfidation Reaction Tests in Pressurized TGA
- C. Pressurized Fluidized-Bed Tests
- D. Analysis of Reaction Rate Data
- E. Preparation of Technical Reports
- F. Preparation of Project Management Reports

SCHEDULE OF PROJECT MILESTONES

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10/17/94

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