

CO₂ Enhanced Saline Water Recovery (CO₂-EsWR)

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- Saline aquifer storage of CO₂
- Pressure management of CGS
- CO₂ enhanced saline water recovery
- Fundamental of EsWR and EOR
- Feasibility of CO₂-EsWR in China
- Conclusions



CCS : Carbon Capture & Storage







CO₂ Geological Storage

Terrestrial and seabed storage











Total amount of China CO₂ emission: 6.5 Gt/a

Theoretical capacity:	
Saline aquifer:	3066 Gt
Oil field:	4.8 Gt
Gas field:	5.2 Gt
Coalbed:	12 Gt

- China's theoretical capacity: very huge
- Percentage of saline aquifer storage: 99%



(Li et al., Energy Procedia, 2009)



Structural Traps







Fault

Stratigraphic Traps





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Pressure management of CGS

Current status of country-scale storage screening assessments



Source: IEAGHG 2011, modified by the Global CCS Institute

CCUS: CCS + Utilization



(China CCUS Roadmap, 2011)

Not including Options of Carbon Utilization Only

CO₂-EsWR: Charming CCS+U



- 1. Plant Module
- 2. CO₂ Capture Module
- 3. CO₂ Sequestration Module
- 4. Extracted Water Module
- 5. Water RO Module

CO₂-EsWR: Background



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Cost effective pressure relief of CCS close system





CO₂-EsWR: Background

- CCS+U
- Water shortage in West CHINA
- Subsidence induced by Over exploration of groundwater in North CHINA and Changjiang delta



CO₂-EsWR vs. CO₂-EOR

- Commons:
- Enhanced some fluid
- Differences:
- Few injection wells of CO₂-EsWR
- Huge amount (e.g. >>1 Mt/a) of injected CO₂
- High pressure gradient of CO₂-EsWR
- CO₂-EsWR: Storage plus water recovery
 - CO₂-EOR: Oil recovery plus storage

Feasibility of CO₂-EsWR in China



Conclusions

- CO₂-EsWR is an attractive option of CCUS.
- CO₂-EsWR is very suitable for water shortage area, e.g. North-West China, to implement CCS in the future.
- CO₂-EsWR is a challenging offset to mitigate and rehabilitate subsidence induced by overexploitation of groundwater in North China and Su-Xi-Chang area.



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