

# Feasibility Study of Immobilized Carbonic Anhydrase Synthesis Technology and Its Application in the Carbon capture Field

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**SMDERI Introduction**

# SHANGHAI MARINE DIESEL ENGINE RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Founded in 1963, **SMDERI** is the only national research institute of marine diesel engine in China, from which derive **six business sectors**. With more than **3000 employees**, its revenue is approx. **USD 950 million**.



Diesel/Gas Engine



Stirling Engine



Power System Integration



Ship Automation System



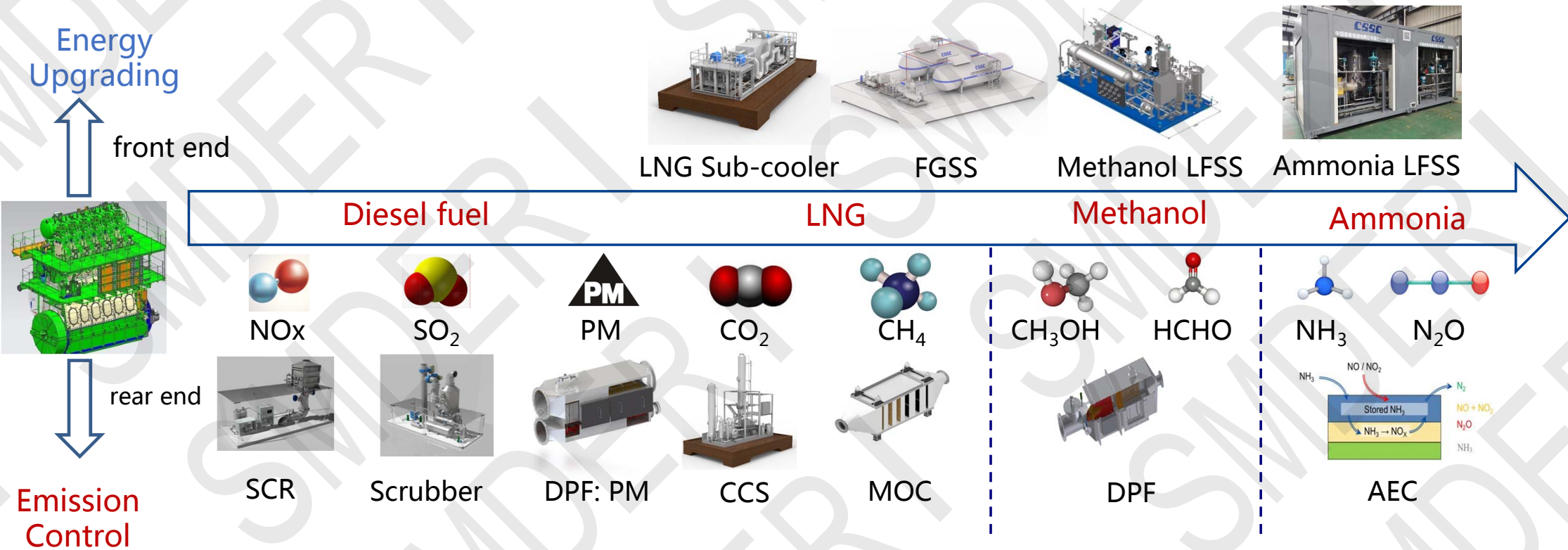
Energy Equipment



Marine Equipment

# MARINE EQUIPMENT

Focusing on the two segments of **energy upgrading** and **emission control**, we carry out R&D, design, integration and sales of technologies and products.





# MARINE EQUIPMENT

Since entering the global Scrubber & SCR market in 2016, SMDERI has cooperated with world-renowned shipping companies, shipyards and engine makers in after-treatment product and fuel supply system.

## Shipowners



## Engine Makers



## Shipyards



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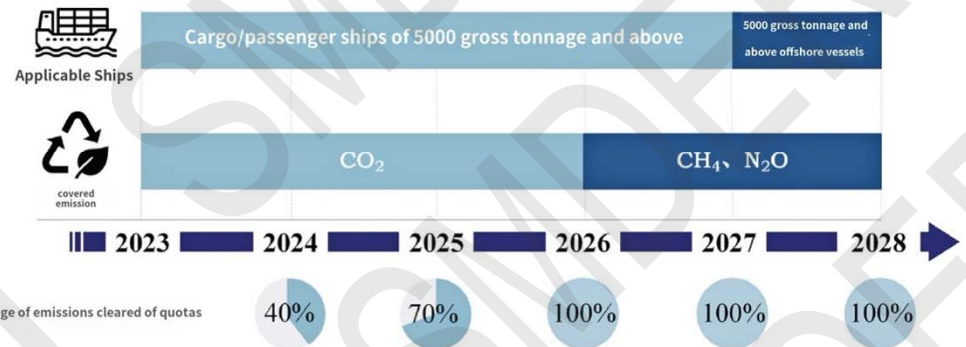
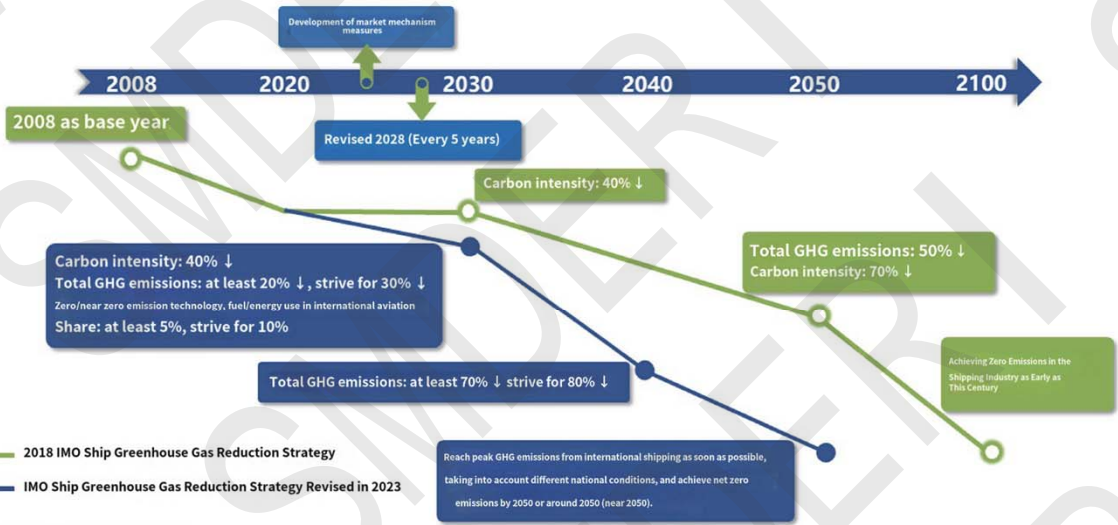
**Research background**



**2023 IMO GHG strategy**



**EU ETS**





IMO GHG strategy



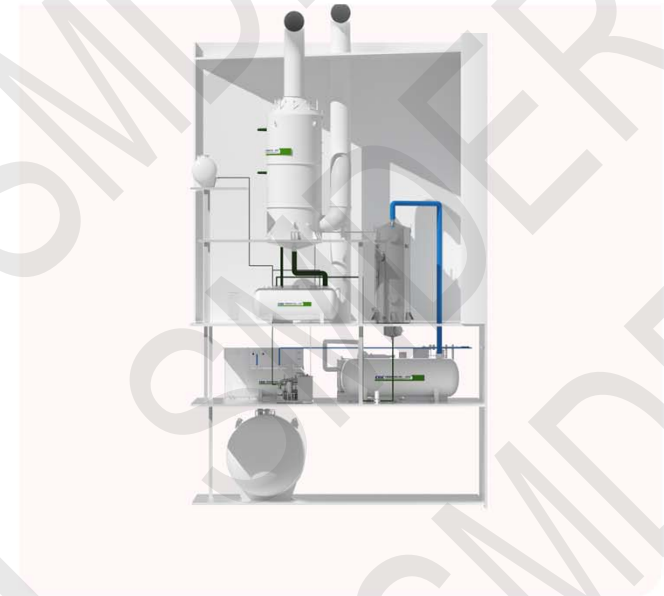
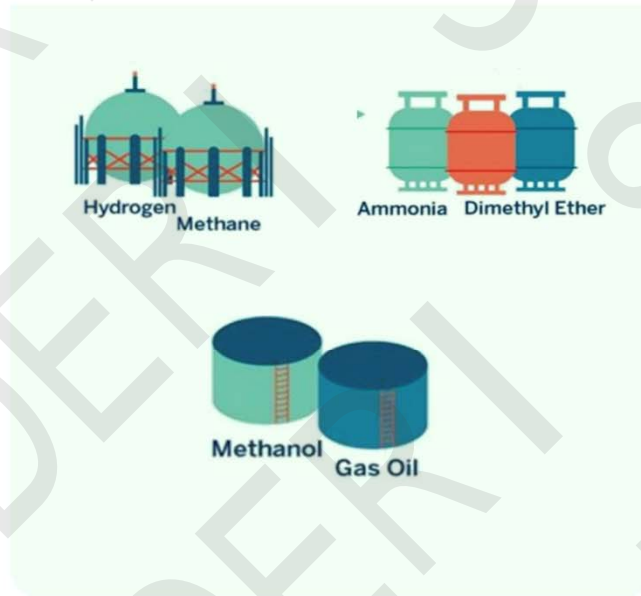
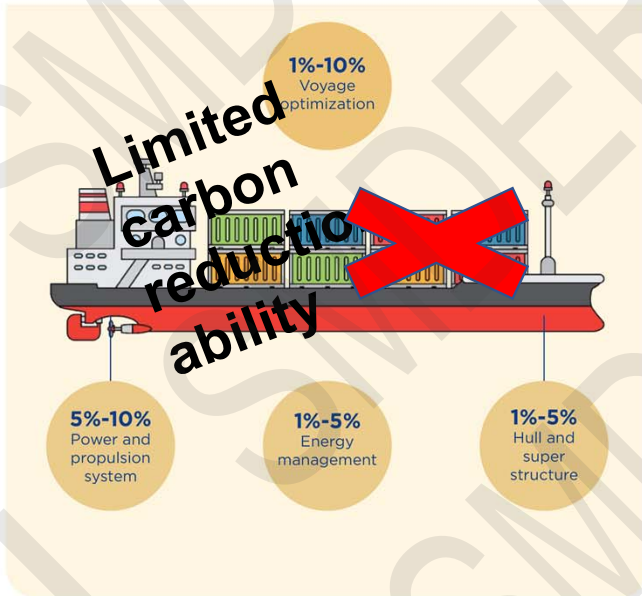
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Efficiency Improve

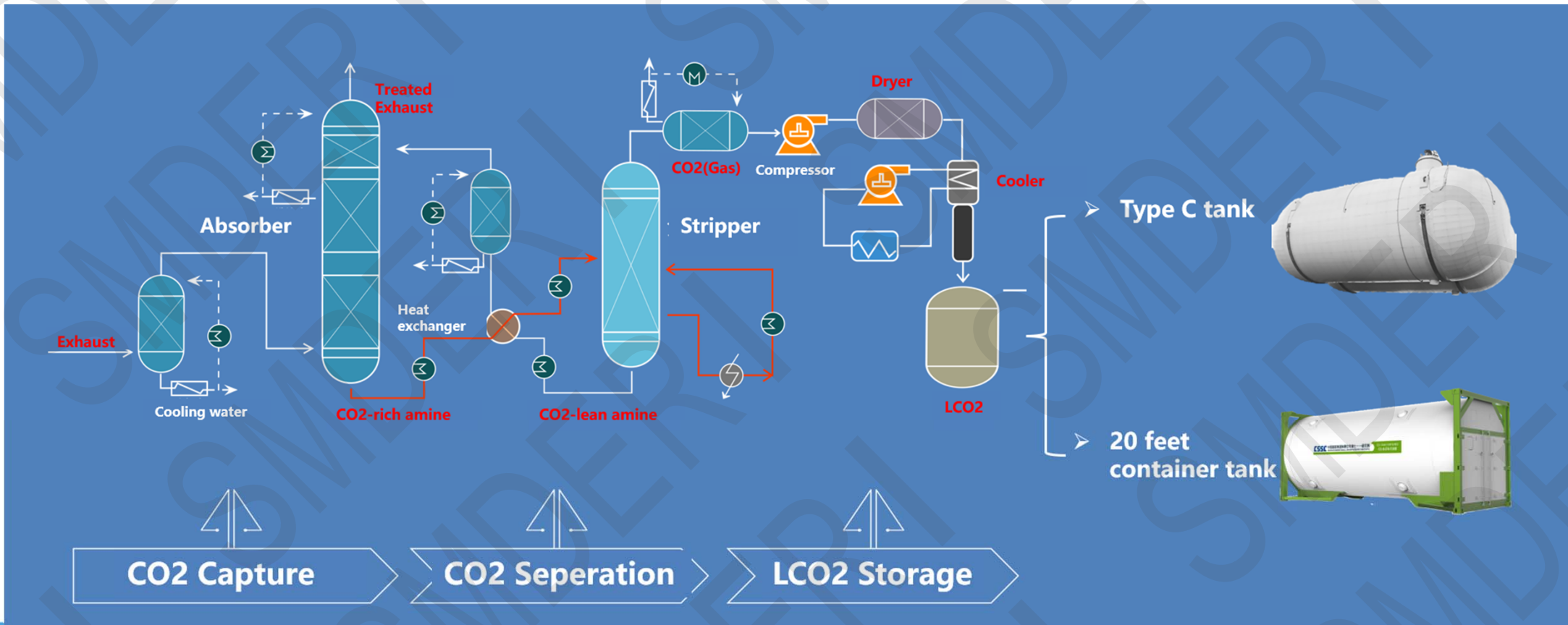
Green alternative fuel

Carbon Capture



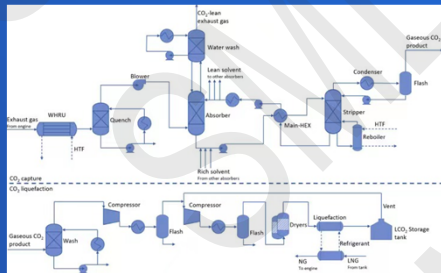


- Max. Carbon Reduction Rate can exceed **80%**

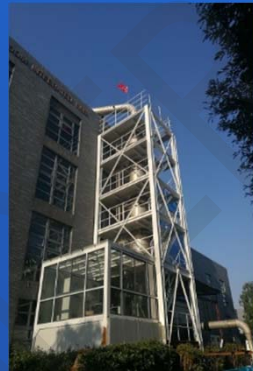


## Developing History

**2018**  
R&D started



**2019-2020**  
Prototype, Testing



**2021-2022**  
AiP, Product development



**2023-2024**  
First project delivery



## Technical Advantages

### ❖ New absorbent

New absorbent with high efficiency, dedicated for vessels, **max. capture efficiency over 80%**.

### ❖ Low-energy desorption

Waste heat utilization, low-temperature desorption, **steam consumption reduced by 8%**.

### ❖ Supercritical CO2 refrigeration

Supercritical CO2 refrigeration with higher heat transfer efficiency and refrigeration performance, **power consumption reduced by 5%**.



## Product Advantages

### ❖ Marin emission reduction One-stop solution

**Multi-pollutants emission reduction design**, save vessel space

### ❖ Modular system design

Modular design with compact size, **easy for installation and save vessel space.**

### ❖ Customized carbon capture rate

**Customized carbon capture rate** to best suit your carbon emissions and needs.



# OCCS DEVELOPMENT



**First prototype of CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage system for vessel in China**



**Class Certifications**

- ❑ Based on a low-speed engine test bench, first domestic carbon capture system for vessel was developed.
- ❑ Class Certifications by Class such as CCS, LR, BV, DNV, etc.



## OCCS FOR 14,000TEU CONTAINER VESSEL

### World's 1st Full-process OCCS

Notation: SCCS-Full

Design, Class approval

Manufacturing

Delivery started,  
yard pre-fabrication

Vessel arrived,  
installation started

Sea trial and  
vessel delivery



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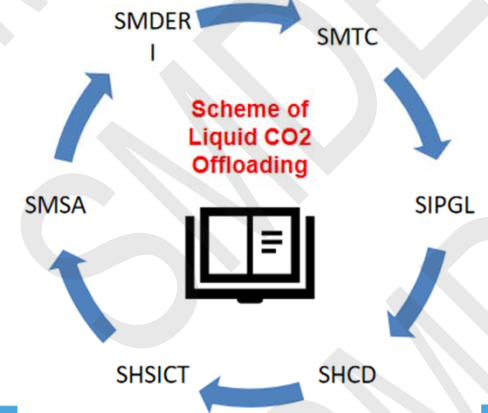
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## LCO2 OFFLOADING

Scheme of Offloading : Multi-party collaboration

- SMTC: Shanghai Municipal Transportation Commission
- SMSA: Shanghai Maritime Safety Administration
- SHCD: Shanghai Customs District P.R.China
- SHSICT: Shanghai Shengdong International Container Terminal



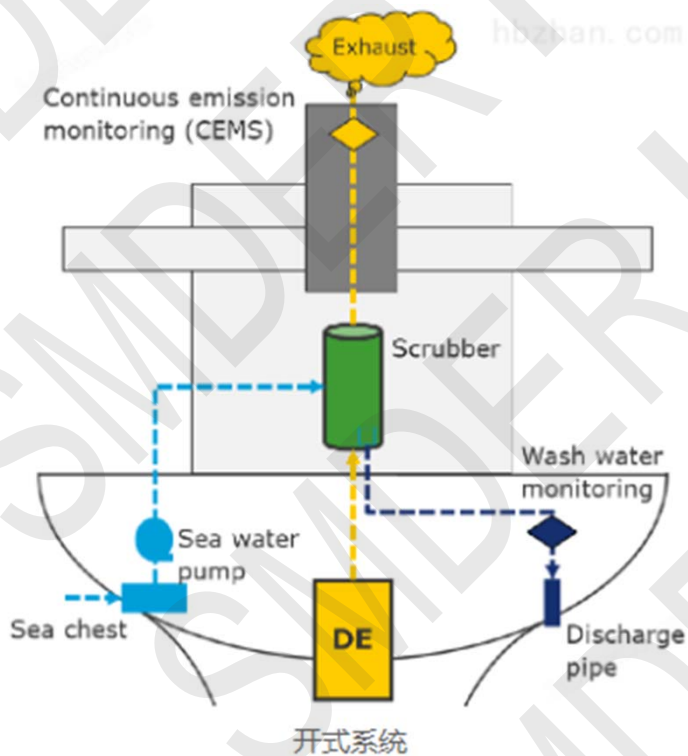
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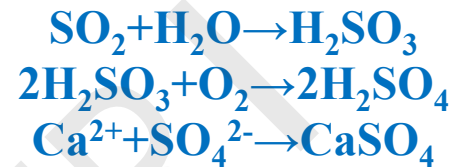
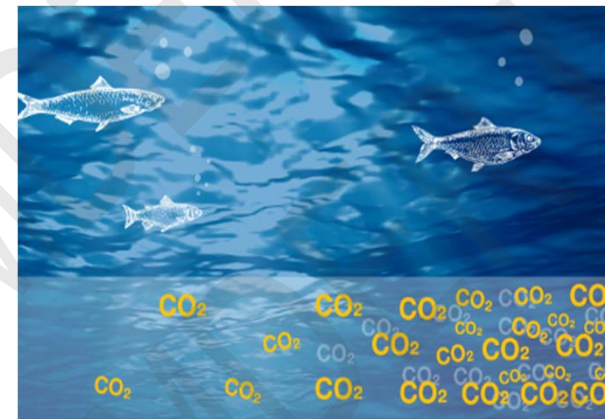
Research on new carbon capture  
method

➤ Using seawater absorbs carbon dioxide

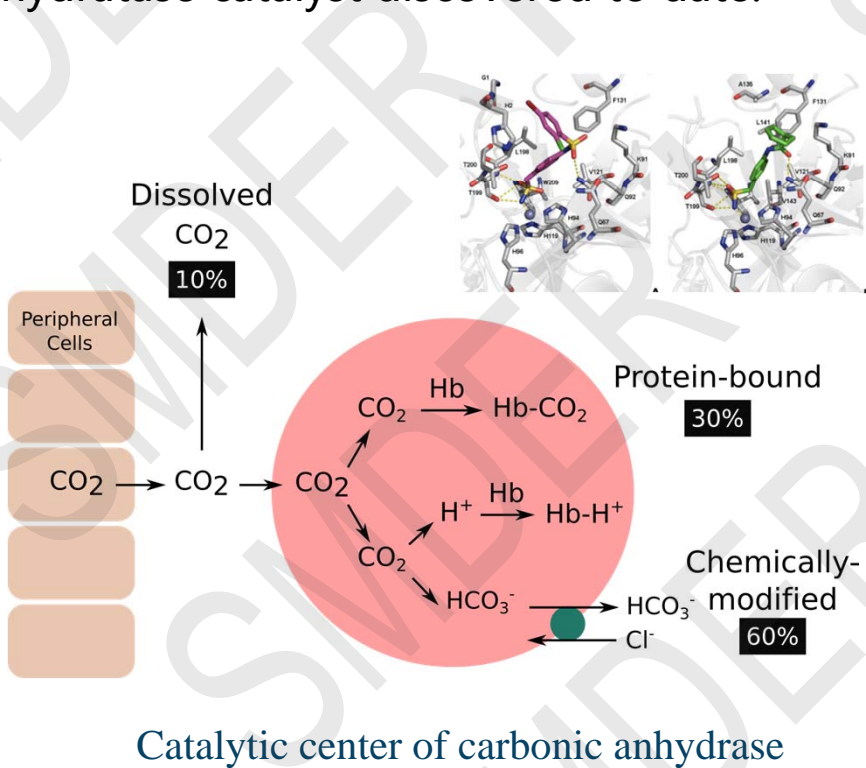


Open seawater desulfurization system

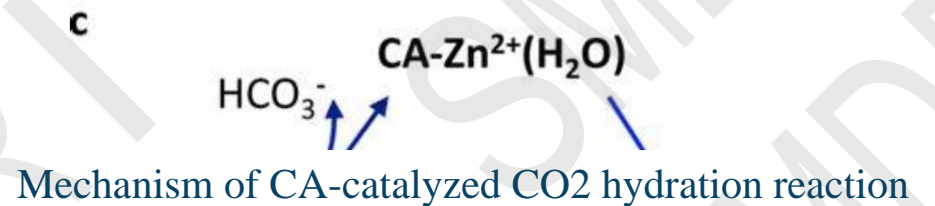
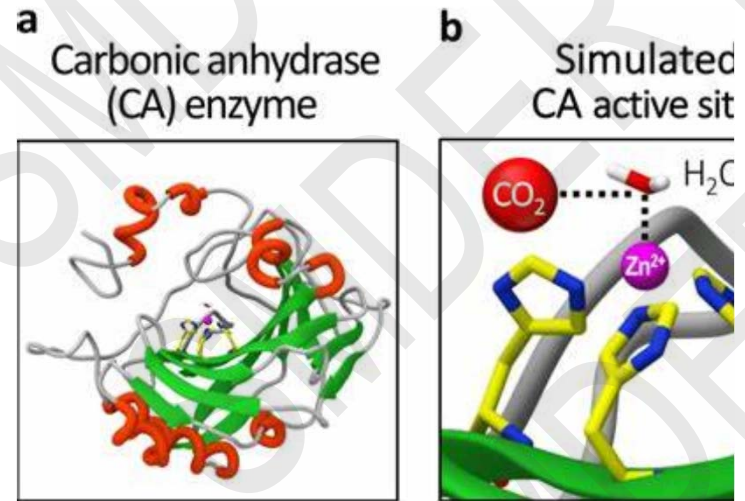
Open seawater decarbonization system ?



- The **carbonic anhydrase (CA)**-catalyzed reversible hydration reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> is **the most efficient** CO<sub>2</sub> hydratase catalyst discovered to date.



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## Building test beds

Carbonic anhydrase preparation platform and gas-liquid absorption bench were constructed

Catalyst Preparation Platform



Catalyst Coating Platform



Compact Test Stand



Medium Test Stand



Key technology 1: Research on carbonic anhydrase gene sequence screening and modification technology suitable for marine environment

- **Research objective:** CAs are stable and maintain high activity at **40-60°C**, in **seawater** and **alkaline** environments;
- **Research Method:** **Screening** of CA sequences from **extreme environments** such as craters, thermophilic bacteria, and deep-sea sources for compliance.



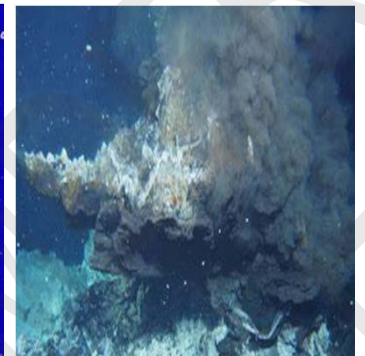
Bovine erythrocyte



Crater



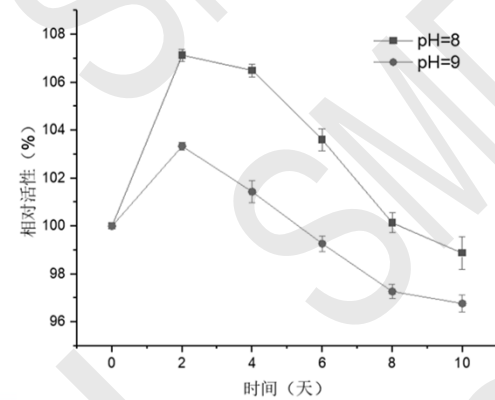
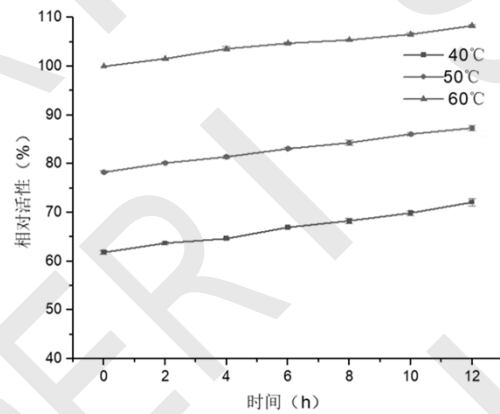
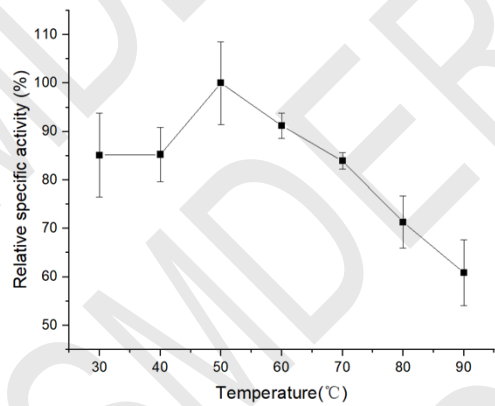
Thermophilic bacteria



Deep-sea

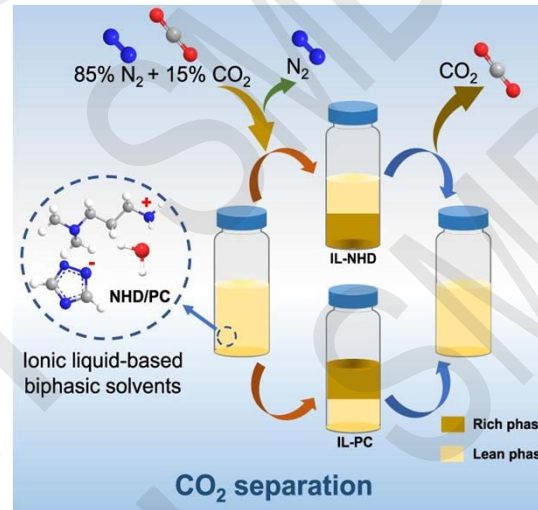
## Key technology 1

➤ The thermophilic source **SazCA** was finally selected for plasmid construction and recombinant protein expression, and the results showed that it had **good stability**.

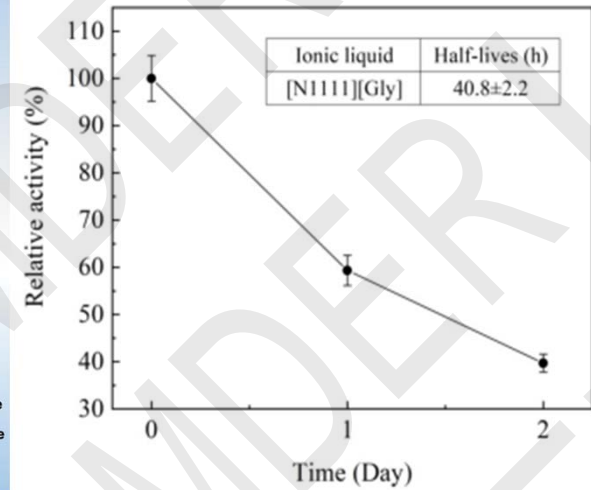


Optimum temperature and stability of recombinant proteins

**50°C**  
**pH=8~9**



Ionic Liquid CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Schematic

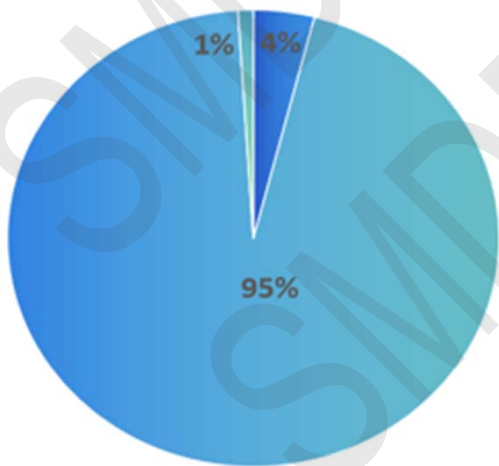


Stability of carbonic anhydrase in [N1111][Gly]



Key technology 2: Research on low-cost and batch carbonic anhydrase strain culture and protein synthesis technology

- **Research objective:** The cost of CAs preparation and purification is less than **\$70/g**;
- **Research Method:** Simple, efficient and low-cost batch preparation of carbonic anhydrase by incorporating **molecular chaperones** and optimizing bacterial **culture conditions**.

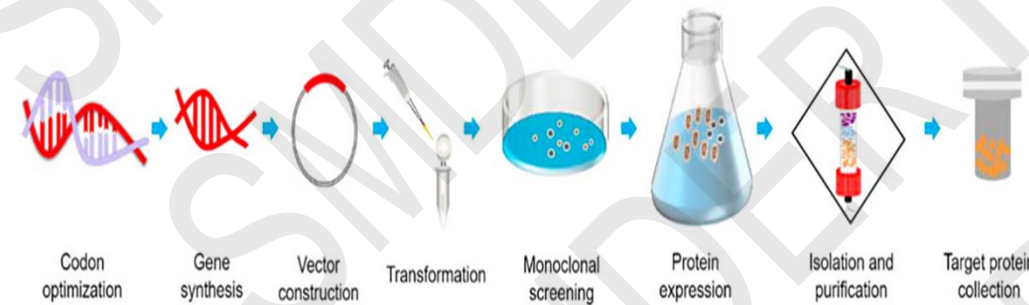


**General Catalyst Costs:**

Purification costs: **95%**

Protein Expression and Extraction Costs: **4%**

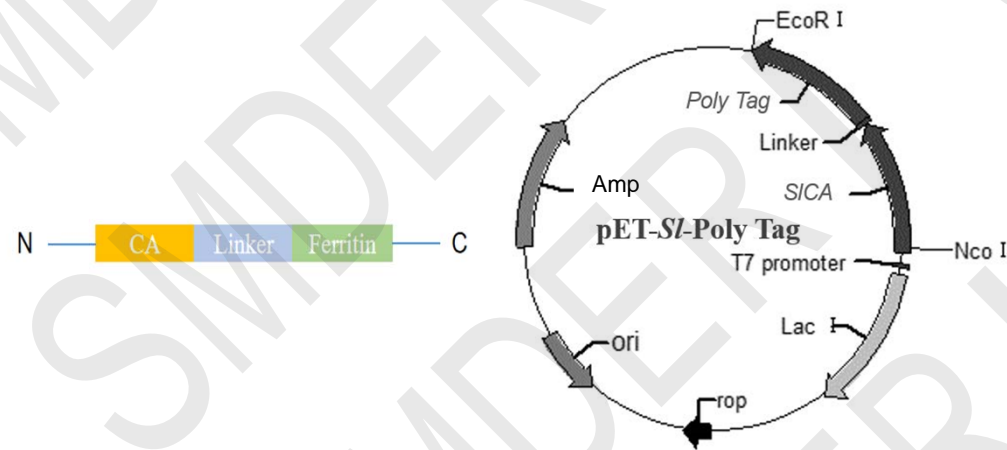
Other costs: **1%**



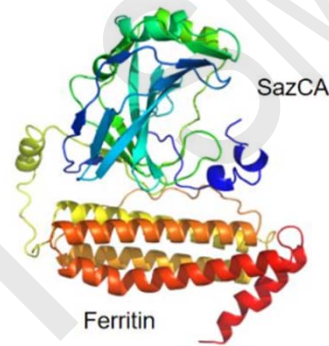
Protein preparation process



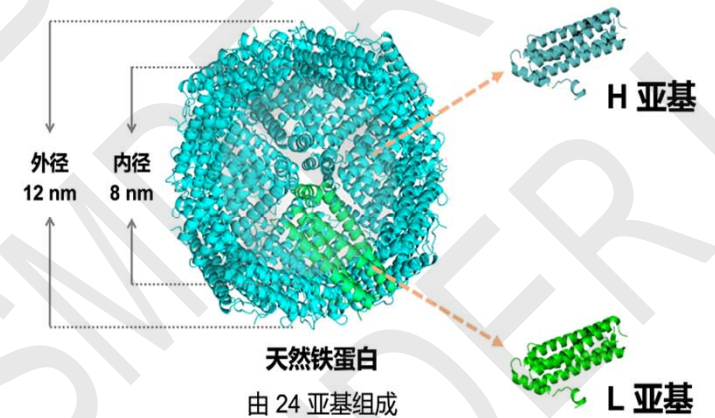
➤ Introducing **ferritin**-tags and performing plasmid construction to form CA and ferritin tag chimeras (**SazF**).



Schematic diagram of a recombinant CA plasmid (pET-SazCA-Ferritin)



Tertiary structure of recombinant CA



Schematic structure of natural ferritin (the protein shell and the internal iron core)

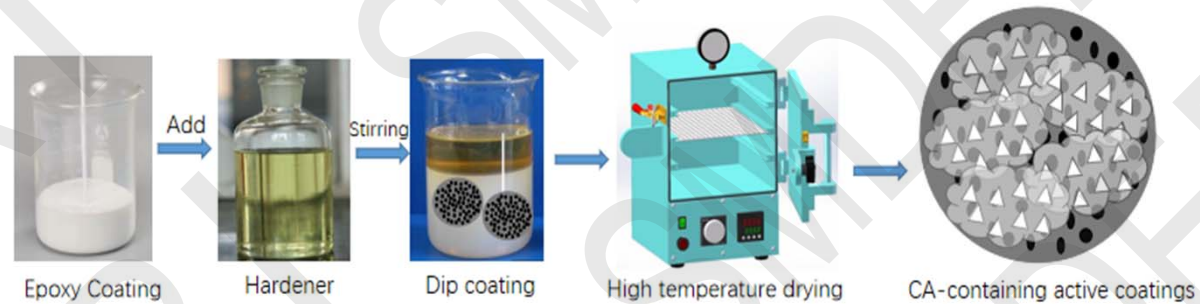
Key technology 3: Research on carbonic anhydrase and ship filler linkage coating technology based on embedding immobilization

- **Research objective:** To find a **highly active and stable** immobilization coating **method** suitable for CA and to achieve **reusability** of the enzyme;
- **Research Method:** CA immobilization coating was successfully achieved by a **two-step** method based on the **sol-gel** method.

**I: Generation of CA@SiO<sub>2</sub> gel particles**



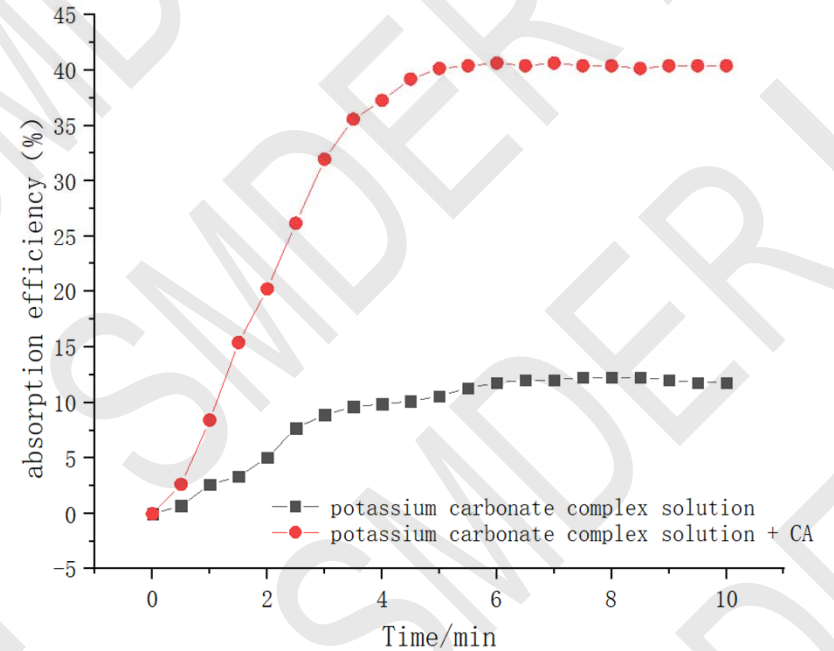
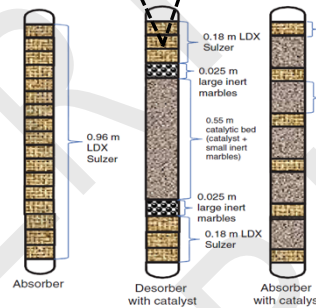
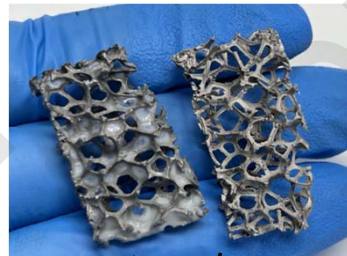
**II: Coating and drying of CA@SiO<sub>2</sub> gel particles**



Schematic diagram of carbonic anhydrase immobilization and coating

## Key technology 3

- The addition of **coated CA** significantly increased the CO<sub>2</sub> absorption efficiency of the seawater, and the efficiency increased to **40.4%**.



**Next Steps:** Optimizing coating conditions to improve coating loading

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**Conclusions**



## Conclusion

- Besides alternative fuel, **Carbon capture** is a feasible method to reduce the carbon dioxide
- This study innovatively proposes a CO<sub>2</sub> seawater capture technology based on **biomimetic method**;
- CA is a good catalyst that promote the reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with seawater. The addition of **coated CA** significantly increased the CO<sub>2</sub> absorption efficiency of the seawater and the efficiency increased to **40.4%**.
- In the next phase , we will focus on improving the **coated enzyme activity** and exploring the **optimal conditions** for its absorption in the absorber tower.

Thanks

