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[H-SC05]CCUS (Carbon Dioxide Capture, Utilization, and Storage) for Climate Mitigation

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The prevention of the global warming, which is the urgent challenge facing the world, requires the full-out efforts of science and technology. This session focuses on the CCUS (Carbon Dioxide Capture, Utilization, and Storage) as one of the useful countermeasures for the CO₂ emission reduction. It not only targets various scientific phenomenon caused by the capture and storage of CO₂, CO₂ utilization, and CO₂-EOR/EGR, but also discusses the latest R&D developments of each method for the environmental impact assessment, safety assessment, the measuring, monitoring and verification (MMV), and public acceptance.

The main theme is the recognition of key issues toward the practical use of CCUS, in addition to the deepening of our knowledge about the CO₂ behavior on the underground.

[HSC05-P03]Detection CO₂ flooding by optical fiber; Example of a long core specimen

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We challenged the detection of CO₂ by optical fiber in a laboratory experiment using porous sandstone. We also observed the fluid movement in the specimen by performing CT image analysis at the same time. It is possible to obtain the specimen porosity and fluid saturation process by using CT image analysis. Berea sandstone (diameter: 34.85mm, length: 288mm) was used in this study. Porosity of specimen determined by X-ray CT imaging is 19.70%. This specimen has thin layers parallel to the specimen axis, and the permeability is about 130 mD. The experiment was conducted under the pressure and temperature conditions that simulate underground environments; pore pressure: 10MPa, temperature: 40 degrees Celsius. The confining pressure selected in this study is 15MPa. The specimen was first saturated with KI aqueous solution (11.5 wt%). For the CO₂ flooding, we maintained the upstream CO₂ injection rate at 0.05 mL/min. The CO₂ flooding was carried out until the total fluid injection reaches about 3PV (pore volume). Optical fiber measurement and X-ray CT imaging were performed in all experimental steps. Figure shows the detection results of CO₂ in optical fiber measurement and X-ray CT imaging. According to the results, the movement of CO₂ detected by optical fiber measurement is in good agreement with that obtained by X-ray CT. This suggests that optical fiber measurement is effective for detecting the movement of CO₂ in the rock.