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## **Water Management in Thermoelectric Power Generation**

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## Area of Interest 1

“Innovative Concepts for Managing Water in Fossil Fuel Based Energy Systems ”

Subtopic 1-A “Utilization of Low Grade Heat within Existing Power Generation System”

Projects started October, 2014



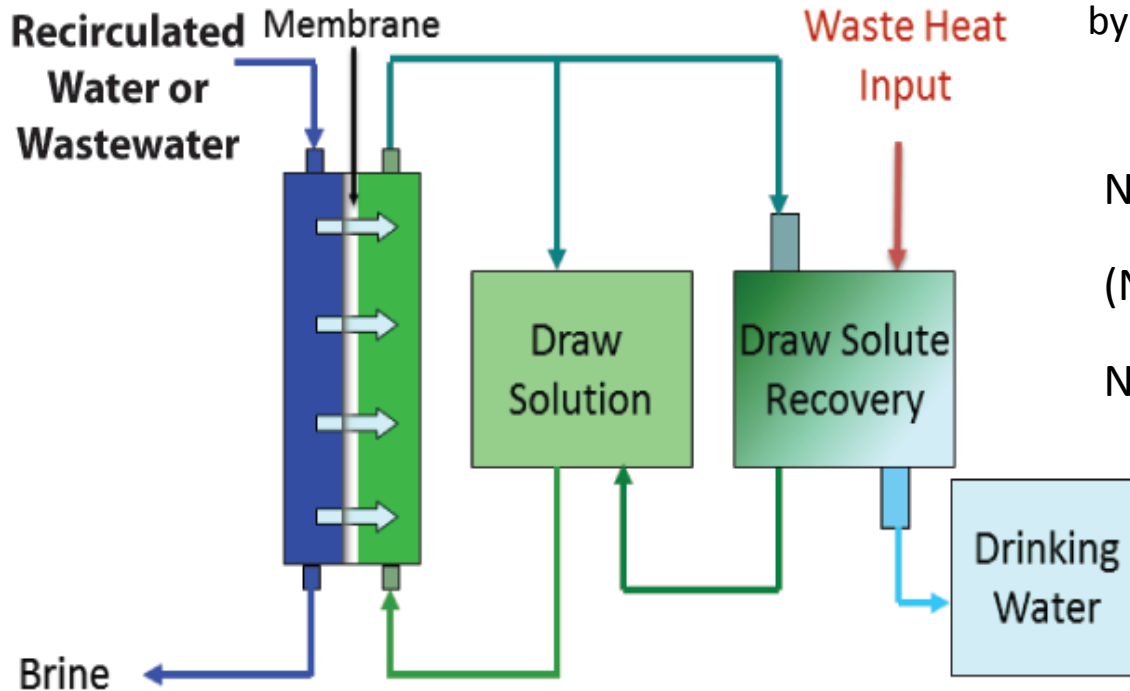
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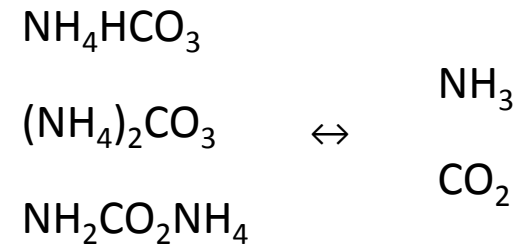
# Forward Osmosis (FO) Process Utilizing Low Grade Heat: Applications in Power Plants

Carnegie Mellon University



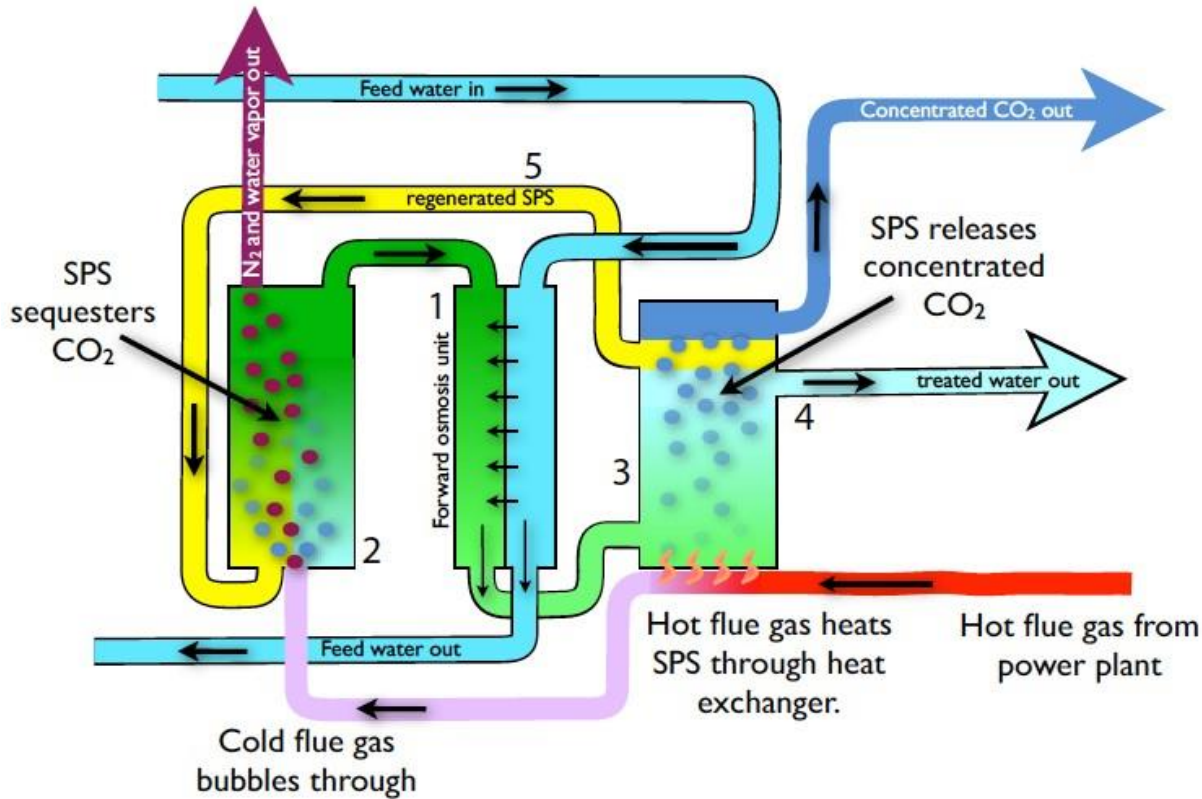
Generalized FO system design

Draw solute--thermolytic salts created by ammonia and carbon dioxide



**Establish rigorous models of the temperature and heat duty of the draw solute recovery system integrated with power plant waste heat to determine FO feasibility.**

# The COHO (CO<sub>2</sub>-- H<sub>2</sub>O) – Utilizing Low-Grade Heat and CO<sub>2</sub> at Power Plants for Water Treatment - Porifera



Osmotic pressure drives water across membrane

Draw solution removes CO<sub>2</sub> from flue gas (miscible)

SPS=switchable polarity solvent water miscibility (60 wt%) to immiscibility (>2000 ppm)

CO<sub>2</sub> released with heat (immiscible)

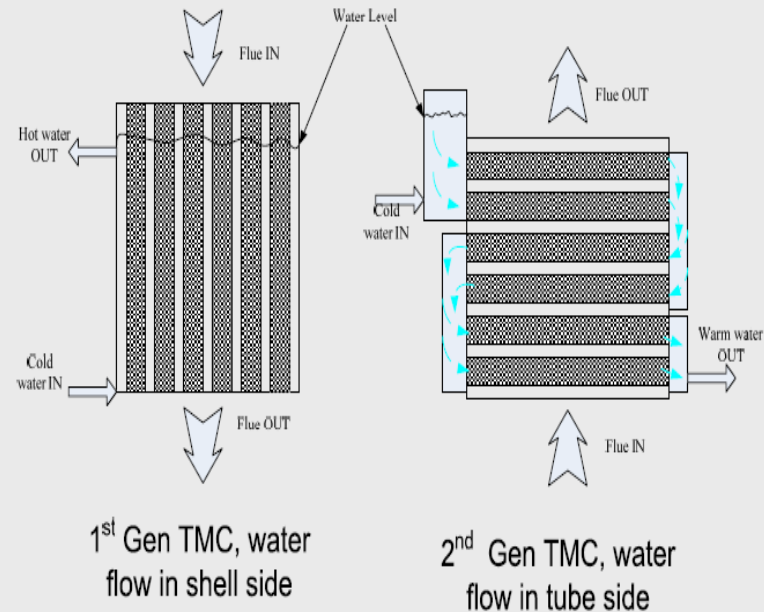
**Waste heat used to treat degraded water and capture CO<sub>2</sub> from flue gas.**

# Simultaneous Waste Heat and Water Recovery from Power Plant Flue Gases

Institute of Gas Technology



## TMC design development



Transport Membrane Condenser (TMC)

**Media & Process Technology ceramic nanoporous membrane to remove waste heat and water from flue gas.**

# ***Development of a Field Demonstration for Cost-Effective Low-Grade Heat Recovery and Use Technology Designed to Improve Efficiency and Reduce Water Usage Rates for a Coal-Fired Power Plant***

**Southern Company Services, Inc. , Electric Power Research Institute, URS Group**

Develop system-level concept that integrates and utilizes waste heat and improves heat transfer.

Addresses the viability of deploying innovative conversion concepts to large-scale power generation systems.

Addresses innovative concepts for utilization of low-grade heat, including facilitation of water treatment, bottoming cycles, and low-cost refrigeration.

Reduces water intake relative to current power practices.

Develops a cost-benefit analysis for large-scale power generation.

***A technology recommendation will be made and costs will be developed for a field test of a combined heat-recovery / use process at a Southern Company facility.***

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Subtopic 1-B “Low Cost Treatment of Produced Waters ”

concentrated brine solution, total dissolved solids level of up to 320,000 parts per million (ppm), 180,000 ppm as an average

Projects started October, 2014 and January 1, 2015



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