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Why store in basalts?

Permanent storage through rapid carbonate mineralization

- kg CO₂ reacts with Ca, Mg and Fe in rocks ٠
- Turns into 1.8 kg carbonates in pore space ٠
- Mineralization in 2 yrs not in 100k yrs •
- Injectivity stable permeability unaffected



What do we know about the CO₂/basalt mineralization in basalts?

Permanent storage through rapid carbonate mineralization

CarbFIX Project (Iceland)

Science & Environment

Experiment 'turns waste CO2 to stone'

By Jonathan Amos BBC Science Correspondent

() 9 June 2016 Science & Environment



The experiment injected 220 tonnes of carbon dioxide several hundred metres underground

Scientists think they have found a smart way to constrain carbon dioxide emissions - just turn them to stone.





<u>Snæbjörnsdóttir et al. (2021)</u> https://doi.org/10.1038/s43017-019-0011-8 The Wallula Project (US) - 760 UFI - 780 SCFT3 - 800 SCFI3 -820 SCFI2 -840 SCFI1 -860 OFI OFT -880 80 100 Radial distance from injection well, m 140 150

White et al. (2020) https://doi.org/10.1038/s43017-019-0011-8

- Can we store supercritical **CO**₂ at large volumes?
- We have no idea about the 3D distribution of the mineralization and dissolution fronts
- Without a time-lapse 3D imaging of the reservoir, we may not understand and optimize storage





Why the basaltic reservoirs are so hard?

CO₂ flow requires fractures and caverns in the extremely tight basalt rocks

USGS image of a lava flow in Hawaii



Buried lava flow mapped by VBPR on the Vøring Plateau



Link to video





How PERBAS aids CO₂ storage in basalts?

Development of a pilot for imaging of dissolution/precipitation fronts, monitor containment

Highest-ranked NE Atlantic and W India sites



Cartier (2022), EOS



Need for Research Pilot CO2 Storage in Basalts

- Leap in injected volumes from kt to Gt per annum
- Reservoir capacity vs injectivity
- Risks of seismicity, deformation and formation of open fractures
- Reactive rocks: risk of mineralization and clogging of pore space near well-head
- Difficult to image architecture in seismic
- Reservoir connectivity hard to constrain



WP2 | Characterization of sequestration sites (GEOMAR)



The seismic imaging of the Norwegian margin basalts



Build database

- 2D and 3D seismic, EM and borehole data
- European margin and Indian Deccan basalts

Identification of basalt reservoirs

- Integrated interpretation of database
- Ranking of potential storage sequences

Characterization of fluid connectivity

- Strontium isotope analyses on residual salts (SrRSA)
- Core materials from Norwegian margin and India

Baseline 3D HR geophysical surveys

- Skoll High IODP drilling sites using P-Cable system
- Joint OBS and EM survey



WP3 | Rock physics of reactive CO₂ flow through basalts (LBNL)



Reactive transport experiments

• Simulate CO₂ storage in the lab

Numerical models

 Reservoir and pore-scale simulation of complex reactive flow - geomechanical model

Shape of the plume and its pore-scale impacts

 Quantify the detectability and geophysical response to





WP4 | Geological and geophysical models of basalt storage sites on volcanic margins (VBPR)



Earth model building software

Update in-house software

Volcanological Earth models

- Highest-ranked NE Atlantic and W India sites
- Integrated core-log-seismic interpretation

Baseline and timelapse synthetic seismic

- Detectability of supercritical CO₂
- Degree of carbonization



WP5 | New tools for integrated reservoir monitoring



New geophysical instruments

- Autonomous platform for operations
- 3C seismic nodes better coupled with seafloor

New data analysis methodologies

- Parametrization and inversion strategies to optimize
- sensitivity
- Training of deep neural network using relevant seismic attributes





Current status of PERBAS and lookahead

We are just starting the work...

<u>Funding received, the Consortium Agreement being finalized,</u> <u>LBNL and Colorado School of Mines will work under bilateral</u> <u>NDA's</u>

Companies joining the Advisory Board





Sverre Planke | co-chief IODP 396 | CEED, Univ. i Oslo & VBPR

Geophysical characterization of the basaltic reservoirs has begun....



