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# EXTRUSION OF HYDRIDE HONEYCOMBS

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Workpackage WP3: Formulation of Hybrid Adsorbents

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# AGENDA

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- Introduction to Extrusion
- Reference honeycombs
  - Zeolite honeycombs by Corning
  - Zeolite honeycombs by IKTS
- Advanced honeycombs
  - MOF-honeycombs by IKTS
- Summary

# Extrusion



inorganic powders  
e.g. zeolite, MOF,  
carbon

dispersing liquid,  
water or organic  
solvent

(organic) auxiliary agents  
mainly: binder, plasticiser  
further agents: lubricant, surfactant

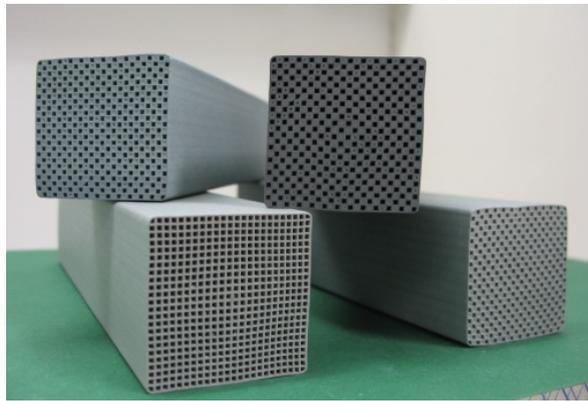
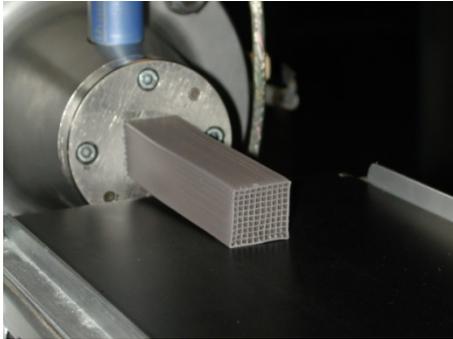
mixing/  
plastification

feedstock

extrusion/  
cutting to length

drying

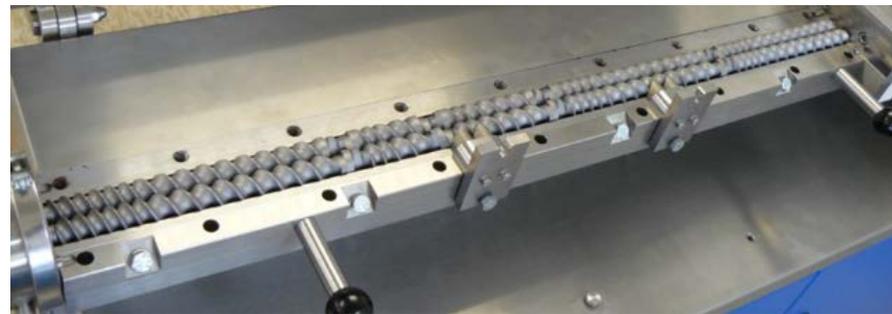
thermal treatment



# Extrusion – Feedstock preparation

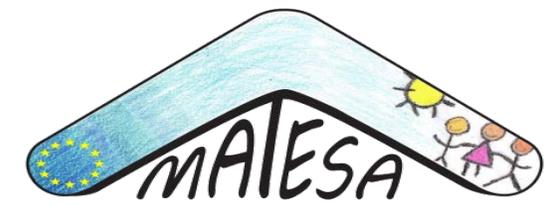


A sufficient good plasticity of the feedstock is the most important property for extrusion. It is achieved by the original plasticity of the raw materials or adjusted by inorganic and/or organic auxiliary agents.



# Hybrid Honeycomb Reference Material

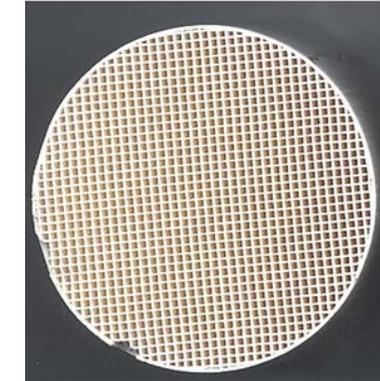
## Summary of accomplishments (I)



- Optimized reference honeycomb dimensions have been selected

- 400 cells/inch<sup>2</sup> & 8 mils (200 μm) wall thickness
- Trade-off between extrusion capability, geometrical surface area and strength.

400/8

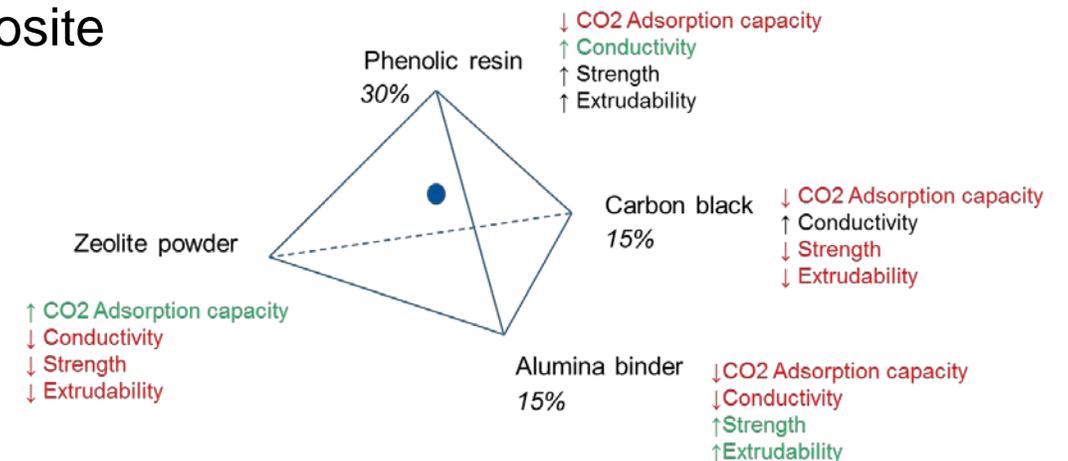


- Reference material formulation

- Extruded zeolite + phenolic resin followed by carbonization heat treatment to obtain zeolite/carbon composite

- Formulation trade-off

- extrudability/strength
- CO<sub>2</sub> Adsorption
- thermal stability for carbonization
- electrical conductivity



- preferred choice: **70 wt% ZSM-5 / 30 wt% carbon** obtained after carbonization at 800°C

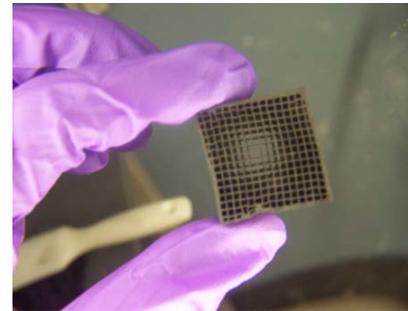
# Hybrid Honeycomb Reference Material

## Summary of accomplishments (II)



- Delivery of honeycomb reference material
  - 2 compositions extruded

Composition	ZSM-5 Zeolite	Carbon
AOC-170	78 wt. %	22 wt. %
ATI-170	82 wt. %	18 wt. %

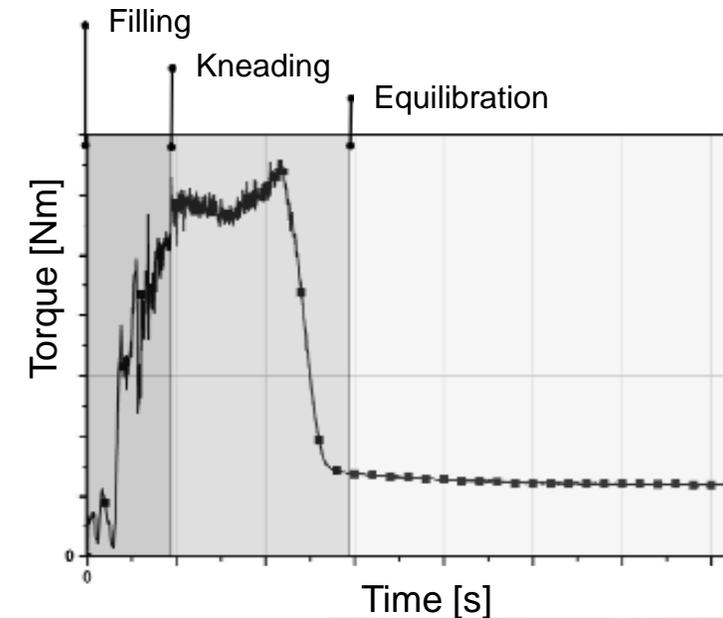


- Samples delivered to University of Torino , SINTEF, Monash University, University of Melbourne
- Alternative path developed to increase CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption capacity
  - Extruded honeycombs with Na 13X zeolite – phenolic resin – carbon black addition + carbonization at 500°C
  - Na-13X Zeolite lost surface area after carbonization
  - 13X/C honeycombs carbonized at 400°C available for further testing

# Feedstock development for extrusion of honeycombs



- Brabender Plastograph for mixing and plastification (torque rheometer) of small amounts (50 cm<sup>3</sup>)



- adaption of carbon content using zeolit 13X
- development of feedstocks with the MOFs UTSA-16 and CPO-27-Ni

# Feedstock compositions



## ■ binder concepts

cold-plastic binder system

processing temperature: room temp. (20 -25 °C)

main binder component

~~polyvinyl alcohol~~

hydroxypropyl-  
methylcellulose

SiO<sub>2</sub>

↓  
poorly  
extrudable

↓  
plastic feedstock,  
extrudable,

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extrudable,

~~thermo-plastic binder system~~

~~processing temperature: ≈ 70 °C~~

~~paraffin + LD-polyethylene~~

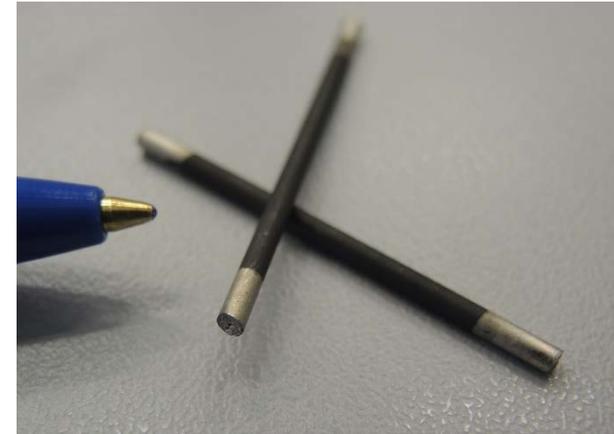
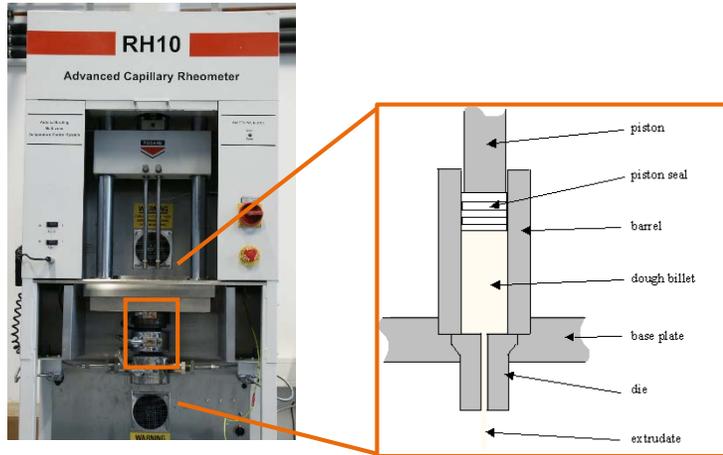
~~partial de-binding by solvent extrusion to create  
open porosity~~

→ low mechanical stability and/or low spec.  
surface of MOF containing feedstocks/  
extrudates

# Adaption of carbon content for electrical conductivity



- cold-plastic feedstock
  - Z13X powder + carbon powder + cellulose ether binder + water
- extrusion of 2,0 mm lines by using capillary rheometer



- testing parts with 25 mm length, contacting with conductive silver
  - best results with carbon black
  - 20 wt.-% carbon black:  $0,124 \Omega \cdot m$  → basis for further feedstock preparation
  - 30 wt.-% carbon black:  $0,013 \Omega \cdot m$

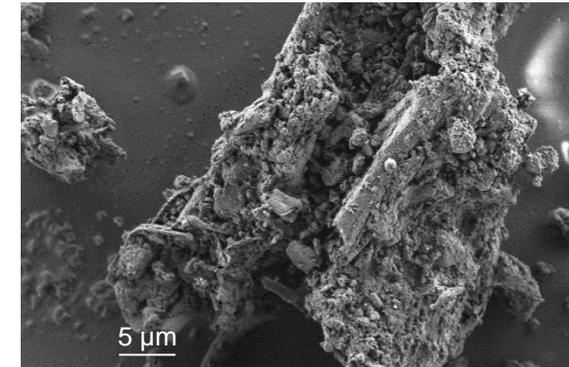
# Bio-carbon materials as additives for hybrid honeycomb



- HTC (hydrothermal carbonization) bio-carbon and lignin from BLOKOL
- carbonization HTC-material
  - Ar, 7 K/min -> 950 °C, 30 min dwell time
    - → 121 m<sup>2</sup>/g
- carbonization lignin
  - Ar, 4 K/min -> 850 °C, 60 min dwell time
    - → 155 m<sup>2</sup>/g



	C	S	O	N	H
	[wt.-%]	[wt.-%]	[wt.-%]	[wt.-%]	[wt.-%]
lignin	66,3	1,24	29,4	0,69	5,53
carbonized lignin	<b>95,2</b>	0,43	2,32	0,54	0,69



- electrical conductivity similar to carbon black,
- very promising carbon materials for substitution carbon black
  - can be used in advanced honeycomb

# Twin screw extruder



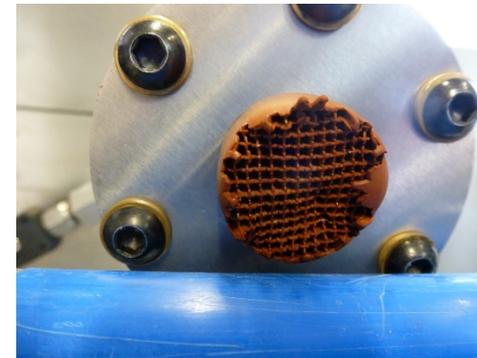
- (mixing), plastification and extrusion in one machine



- extrusion tool: 200 cpsi, wall thickness 0,3 mm, diameter 25,4 mm,

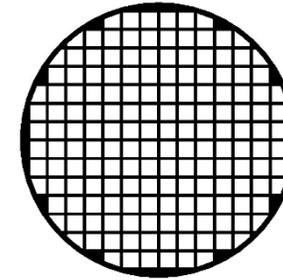
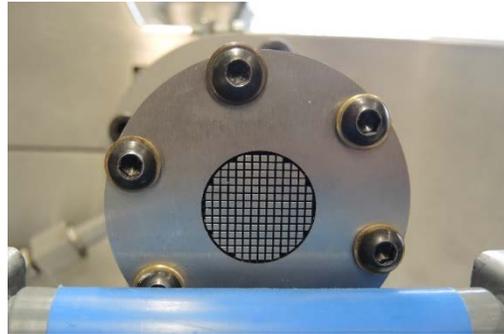


volume to be filled  
before feedstock outlet:  
45 cm<sup>3</sup>

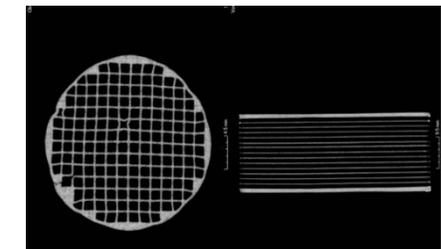
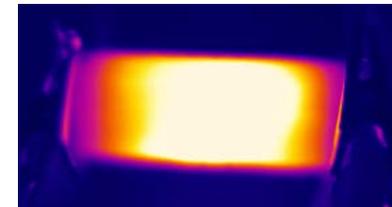
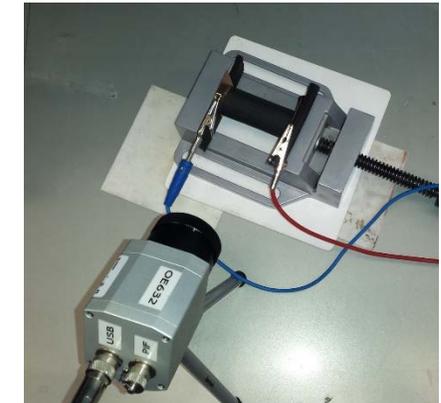


# Extrusion of zeolite 13X / carbon honeycombs

- tool: 200 cpsi, diameter 25,4 mm
- honeycomb contacted with silver ink
  - $\rho = 0,077 \Omega \cdot m$
- electrical heating up to 150 °C
  - 5 cycles (heating+ cooling) ~30 min
  - slightly decrease of mechanical stability
  - R remains constant
- attention: binder degradation at higher temperatures (> 250 °C) can decrease mechanical stability
- optimization of drying



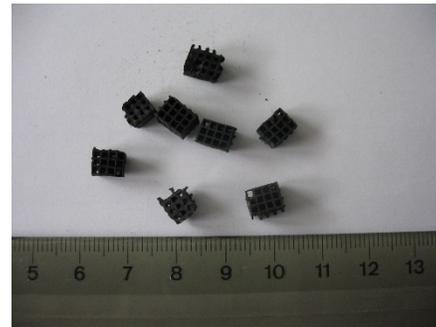
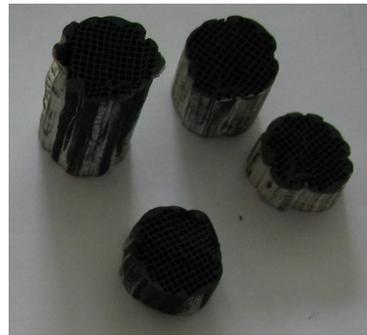
$$A = 0,382 * \pi/4 * d^2$$



# Extrusion of MOF/ carbon monoliths



- adaption of feedstock composition using measuring kneader
- CPO-27-Ni → processed in water
- UTSA-16 → processed in n-propanol/water mixture
- extrusion in double-screw extruder using zeolite feedstock for “banking”



- extrusion with piston extruder using ceramic feedstock for “pushing”



# Extrusion of advanced honeycombs – MOF/ carbon



- UTSA-16 + carbon black , CPO-27-Ni + carbon black
  - favoured compositions

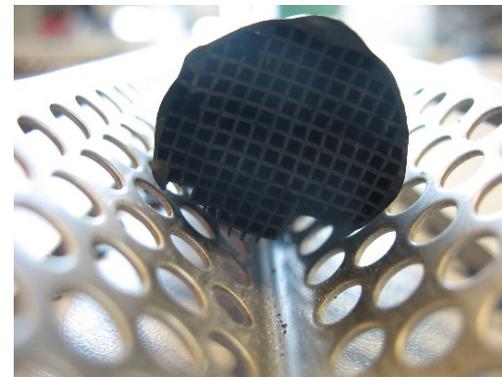
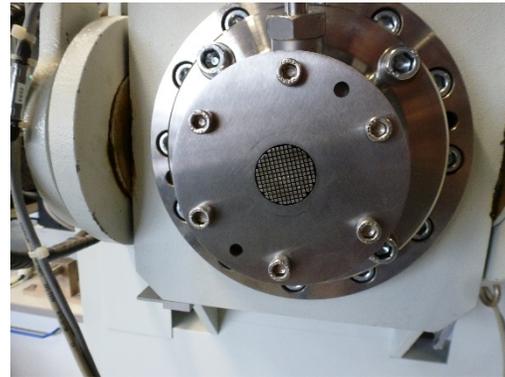
MOF-Material	MOF [wt.-%]	carbon black [wt.-%]	SiO <sub>2</sub> -binder [wt.-%]	Cellulose-etherbinder [wt.-%]	additional organic additives (plasticiser, lubricant, surfactant) [wt.-%]	specific surface area [m <sup>2</sup> /g]
UTSA-16	63,9	20,5	-	9,1	6,5	402 (866)
CPO-27-Ni	67,0	19,6	5,2	2,7	5,5	400 (921)

- challenge: maintenance of high specific surface area of starting MOF-material in the honeycomb

# Extrusion of MOF/ carbon monoliths



- feedstock CPO-M10
  - promising results, sufficient mechanical stability, some cracks in the outer skin after drying



# Summary



- reference hybrid honeycombs based on zeolites 13X and ZSM5
  - electrical conductivity, mechanical stability and specific surface area are in target range
- advanced hybrid monoliths based on UTSA-16 and CPO-27-Ni
  - electrical conductivity, mechanical stability are in the target range
  - promising specific area, but not yet reproducible
  - still defect in larger honeycombs ( $\geq 20$  cm)
  - good prospects to come

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- substituting carbon black by bio-carbon as electrical conductive additive is possible



**Thank you!**

