Catalytic (hydro-)Pyrolysis Unit (CPU)

This patented unit offers a solution for pyrolysis of solid and liquid renewable feedstock (either waste or model compound) using a heterogeneous catalyst via an in-situ or ex-situ approach under N_2 at an atmospheric pressure (catalytic pyrolysis) or under H_2 at a high pressure (catalytic hydro-pyrolysis).

Introduction

Catalytic upcycling circular carbon such as lignocellulosic biomass or plastics, contributes to a circular (bio-)economy. R&D is often performed in a lab- & pilot-scale unit, requiring:

- A universal feeding of solids and liquids (preferably in a continuous manner);
- Collection of all the gaseous, liquid, and solid products for mass/carbon balance and offline qualification/quantification;
- 'Catalytic reaction catalyst regeneration' cycles for catalyst life-time and regenerability;
- An operation at high temperatures and pressures.

outlet H2O inlet N2 i

A schematic diagram of CoRe Pro - CPU.

Functionality

A standard catalytic (hydro-)pyrolysis unit (CPU) includes:

- Two pneumatic locking systems, which separate the pretreatment reactor, pyrolysis reactor, and solid residue collection;
- An ex-situ catalytic upgrading system;
- A 3-stage condensation system, which condenses and separates gaseous and liquid products;

 A front and back pressure controlling system, which maintains the pressure.

Control

- An integrated controlling system including a programmable logic controller (PLC) and a human-machine interface (HMI) enables an automatic operation with good reliability and repeatability;
- A unique transport of the solid feedstock and separation of the solid residue enables semi- or continuous operation;
 - The pneumatic switching systems enable rapid and timely processing and product collection.

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Specification of a standard CPU*	
Feedstock	Solid (10 - 50 g/h, (semi-)continuous) Liquid (10 - 100 g/h, continuous)
Gas	N ₂ or H ₂ (20 - 100 ml/h)
Catalyst	Solid (particle size of 300 - 1000 μm, 5 - 20 g)
Pretreatment reactor	25 - 250 °C
Pyrolysis reactor	400 - 600 °C
Catalysis reactor	400 - 600 °C
Reaction pressure	1 - 60 bar
Condensation	3-Stage condensation (from -40 °C to 5 °C)

* A customized CPU can be designed and offered upon request.

Options

- A solution for the integration of a customized CPU to your existing catalytic conversion system can be offered. This provides an additional feed line for the co-conversion of circular carbon to circular products;
- A solution for the integration of an in-situ or operando analysis system to a standard and customized CPU can be offered.
- Various circular carbon such as waste plastics, sludge, sawdust, and non-edible vegetable oil, and the pyrolysis protocols can be offered to catalyst players for testing the refinery catalyst for the (co-)conversion of circular carbon;
- Various state-of-the-art refinery catalysts such as zeolite and E-cat, and the modified catalysts can be offered to bio-refinery for testing the circular carbon for the (co-)production of circular (bio-)based fuels and chemicals.



Gas preheater.

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PLC and HMI.



High pressure for hydro-pyrolysis.



Catalytic upgrading.



Pneumatic locking.



Liquid sample.

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