



Conventional Methanol Production



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Methanol Production – Coal Gasification



Methanol Production Bridge to Sustainability



Methanol is a "future proof"
molecule that can be made
from conventional fossil
sources and emerging
renewable feedstocks.











 Expansion of energy markets for methanol builds demand for sustainablysourced and locallyproduced methanol.



Several Renewable Production Pathways Exist



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Option 1

BioMCN – Biomethane to Biomethanol





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CO₂ Recovery & Utilization







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QAFAC Utilization of Recovered CO₂

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•500 MTPD of CO2 is recovered from the flue gas using MHI's proprietary KS–1[™] solvent and injected in synthesis loop for boosting Methanol production.

•The capacity of Methanol Plant has increased by 300 MTPD with addition of CO2 in synthesis gas mixture as excess H2 is available for the methanol reaction.

•Thus, QAFAC's Methanol Plant became Self–sufficient for raw material (CO2).



CO₂ Recovery & Utilization





Option

Back to Basics





Option 3

Enerkem – Waste to Methanol



ENERKEM ALBERTA BIOFUELS

Capacity:	38 million litres per year	
	(i.e. 1 X standard Enerkem system)	
Feedstock:	25-year agreement with City of Edmonton for 100,000 dry tonnes of MSW per year	
Products:	Biomethanol, cellulosic ethanol	



Chemrec - From Black Liquor to Methanol to bio-DME



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European Project BioDME 7th Framework Programme



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Option 3

VärmlandsMetanol– Wood Based Methanol Project





Liquid Electricity











Pathway to Storing Renewable Electricity

- Converting intermittent renewable power into 'liquid electricity' is an alternative option to e-mobility, while reducing CO₂
- The amount of energy stored in one cubic meter of methanol equals the storage capacity of 222 battery-electric BMW i3's





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Methanol Fuel Examples Around the World

Application	Current Methanol Demand (2015E, -000-Tons)	Potential Market Demand (-000- Tons)
Alternative Fuels		
- Gasoline	11,571	40,000-50,000
- Biodiesel	1,197	25,000-40,000
- DME	4,970	10,000-15,000
 Power Generation & Others 	>1	40,000-60,000
Fuel Cells	8	3,000-8,000
Methanol-to-Olefins	16,683	30,000-40,000
Methanol-to-Gasoline	250	15,000-35,000



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Methanol in Gas Powered Turbines

In 2011, Israel Electric Corp (IEC) & Dor performed trial conversion at Caesara power plant located in valley in Eilat

Previously used diesel-fuelled turbine for peak power. Limited to 300 hours of operation annually; no pipeline natural gas access

June 2014 commercial operation of 100% methanolfuelled Pratt & Whitney FT4C Twin Pack 50 MW gas turbine.





Dor Findings

•Low-cost fuel system retrofits to methanol, with this initial project costing \$5 million.

•Yields significant NOx, SO2, and particulates emission reduction, without affecting performance.

•Unit now permitted to operate for 2,000 hours per year.

•Methanol consumption is *30 tons per hour*.

•This technology (*first of its type in the world*) can be adopted in many other places (mainly Islands) where due to no natural gas supply, are currently using polluting fuels.





Methanol in Cooking Stove Applications



•Traditional cooking fuels (wood/charcoal, dung, kerosene, paraffin, diesel, coal, LPG) can emit significant CO2 and harmful particulates, potential fire hazards.

•Nigeria (kerosene stoves), South Africa (paraffin), China (coal).

•Project Gaia pilot project and studies in Nigeria since 2005.

•Distributed fuel already in canister: no handling of fuel by beneficiaries; results very successful.



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Methanol-powered cookstoves







Methanol in Cooking Stove Applications



China is Leading the World

•Methanol for cooking applications in China since 1983

•Potential for large amounts of methanol needed for future cooking applications in China.

•Use of alcohol in cooking fuels could reduce annual direct coal burning by 3,172 MW and CO₂ emissions decrease of 8.25 billion tons.



Methanol Fuel Cells

Methanol important in fuel cells as an environmentallyfriendly hydrogen carrier fuel

TWO TYPES OF FUEL CELLS

Direct Methanol Fuel Cells (DMFCs):

- Subcategory of proton exchange fuel cells
- Liquid MEOH used as the fuel.
 - Easy to transport, energy-dense/stable
- Low efficiency

- Good for portable power
- Waste: CO₂ & water vapor

Reformed Methanol Fuel Cells (RMFC) / Indirect Methanol Fuel Cells (IMFCs):

- Methanol reformed to hydrogen gas before being fed into fuel cell.
- Higher efficiency, smaller cell stacks, better operation/storage at low temps.
- Heat mgt/insulation systems required



Primary Applications for Fuel Cells



Charging/Replacement of batteries

- Forklifts (Oorja Protronics)
- Camper vans (SFC Energy)

Provision of off-grid or grid-support power

- Backup power supply to telecoms towers
- Remote communities
- Desalinization plants
- Off-grid mining





Major Global Methanol Fuel Cell Producers

- Ballard Power Systems (Canada)
- Horizon Fuel Cell Technologies (Singapore)
- Oorja Protonics (United States)
- Panasonic (United States)
- SFC Energy (Germany)
- Toshiba (Japan)











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