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日時:2024年11月5日(火)16:00~17:00

場所:産総研つくば中央5群 第4会議室(6603室)

講演概要:

16:00-17:00

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3D printed Flow Reactors for hydrogenations in chemical manufacturing and hydrogen storage

Over the past 25+ years, the use of efficient microstructured flow reactors has advanced several chemical manufacturing sectors to produce less waste and use less energy, when compared to traditional batch processes. More recently, several new enabling technologies have been introduced to the field, such as additive manufacturing for reactors & catalysts and the use of machine learning to design reactor geometries and optimise process parameters. Our group is using the above tools to create novel reactor systems and processes, using heterogeneous catalysts based on Ni, Pt, Pd, Ru and other transition metals. We have developed tailormade 3D printed catalyst inserts for tubular reactors used in continuous flow hydrogenations of value chemicals and the chemical storage of renewable hydrogen. With the help of CFD and Al-assisted algorithms, the structure of the mixer lattice can be optimised for different outputs, such as minimised pressure drop, maximised heat transfer or enhanced mixing. This approach gives access to a highly efficient and customisable catalyst platform which can be used in many different chemical applications.

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