

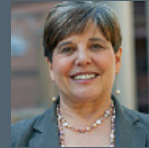
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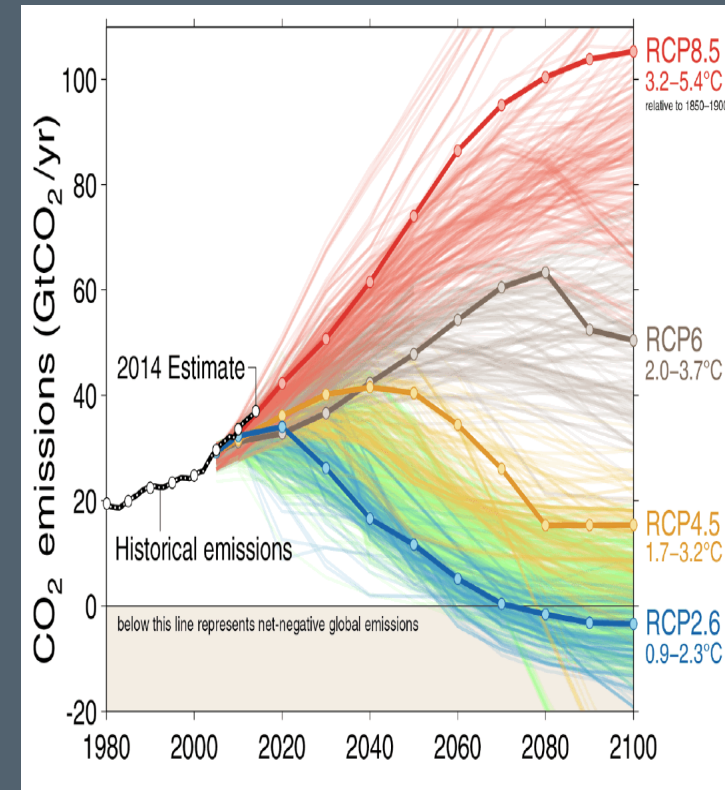


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“Creating new materials developed specifically for capturing CO₂ while developing more cost-effective and energy-efficient processes would enable widespread implementation of carbon capture systems, improve our environment, and position the U.S. as a leader in this growing global industry.”

- ARPA-E IMPACCT

Carbon capture and storage



Energy efficient electrochemical capture and release of **carbon dioxide**

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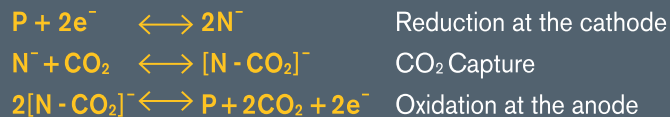
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WHAT

A team of researchers led by Arizona State University are developing a reliable and energy efficient carbon dioxide capture system to mitigate waste carbon dioxide emissions. This innovative device uses less energy than commercial carbon capture systems and easily retrofits at existing facilities.

HOW

This carbon capture device employs an electrochemical cell to capture CO₂ at the cathode, transport it across the cell and release it at the anode.

KEY INNOVATIONS

- Uses an electrochemical assist based on novel chemistry
- Not oxygen sensitive
- Runs on electricity
- Able to transport up concentration and pressure gradients
- Continuous operation based on fuel cell gas diffusion electrodes
- Low capital cost

Project Update

The project team remains focused on systematically tackling performance challenges and de-risking failure modes that would limit ultimate commercial viability.



Through innovative chemistry, the team successfully:

- Developed several new membrane formulation strategies
- Identified more stable electrolyte materials for more robust, long term operation

Cell design and operation:

- Developed a new flow cell design that enables higher capture rates
- Cathode reaction: precursor reduction produces a nucleophile that captures CO₂ creating an adduct
- Anode reaction: adduct oxidation releases the CO₂ regenerating the precursor

