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Workshop on Metal Fuels and Metal Dust Combustion

Welcome and Introduction



Outline

- 1. Towards a sustainable energy economy
- 2. How is this workshop structured?
- 3. About you
- 4. Target dust flames



Towards a sustainable energy economy



Open questions about the combustion of metal powders

- ► Fuel conversion ratio? Power density?
- Metal oxide collection? Oxide aerosols?

► NO_x?

Bergthorson et al. (2015), Bergthorson (2018)

Besides constituting energetic materials, metal particles may also serve as O_2/H_2 -carriers.



Metal-water slurry reactors



Open questions about metal-water reactions

- Fuel conversion? Deposition of oxides and hydroxides?
- Conditions for reaction onset?
- Sensitivity to particle size, shape and impurities?

How is this workshop structured?



- Economic viability
- Cycle efficiency
- Retrofitting and infrastructure
- (3) Single particle combustion



- Surface chemistry
- Impurities
- Oxide smoke formation

2 Metal-water slurry reactors



- Hydration/oxidation kinetics
- Ignition conditions
- Dissolution of oxide skin

4 Dust flames



- Flame propagation
- Flame speed measurements
- Modelling particle-laden flows

About you - Contributions from Canada



About you - Contributions from Europe

(1) Cycle economy



About you - Contributions from Europe

(3) Single particle combustion



About you - Contributions from Europe





About you - Industrial participation



Target dust flames

... similar in spirit to the flames defined by the TNF and PTF Workshops

What are target flames?

- Well-defined, reproducible and simple boundary conditions
- Morphologically and chemically well-characterized fuel powders
- Amenable to systematic variations of operating conditions (*e.g.*, equivalence ratio, size distribution, pre-heating)
- Experimentally analyzed on the level of *global* (*e.g.*, flame speed, conversion) and *local* observables (*e.g.*, pollutant profiles, temperature)

Target flames could

- allow for a comprehensive model validation
- assist the identification of modelling challenges
- provide a common basis for sharing submodels
- guide application or development of diagnostics



Over to the scientific sessions ...

Questions we may discuss

- Which flame configuration?
- Could dust batches be shared?
- Could existing datasets be amended?
- Isolation or elimination of phenomena?
- Platform?



Scientific sessions

We look forward to today's contributions and thought exchanges and wish to thank you for attending and supporting this workshop

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