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Marine Geosciences Group



Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) - GASRIP, STEMM-CCS, CHIMNEY



Rig video

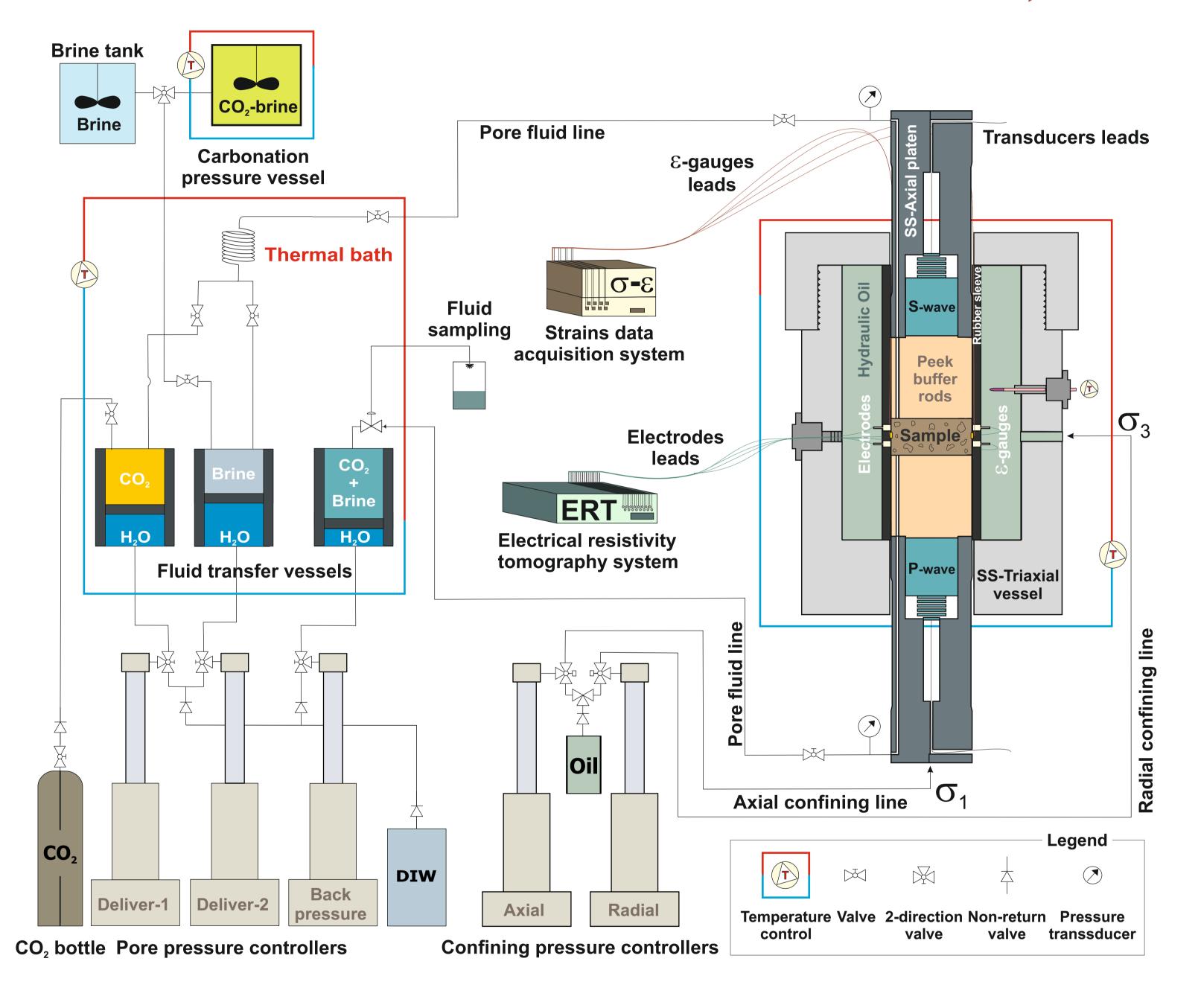
Context

njecting carbon dioxide (CO_2) into deep geological formations is recognized worldwide as the only realistic mitigation technology that can reduce current anthropogenic CO_2 emissions to meet national targets by 2050. European countries, including the UK, have considered depleted oil and gas fields and saline aquifers for CO_2 storage (e.g. Sleipner field, North Sea), while a number of projects in the United States have focused on CO_2 injection for enhanced oil recovery (EOR) in depleted or unconventional hydrocarbon reservoirs.

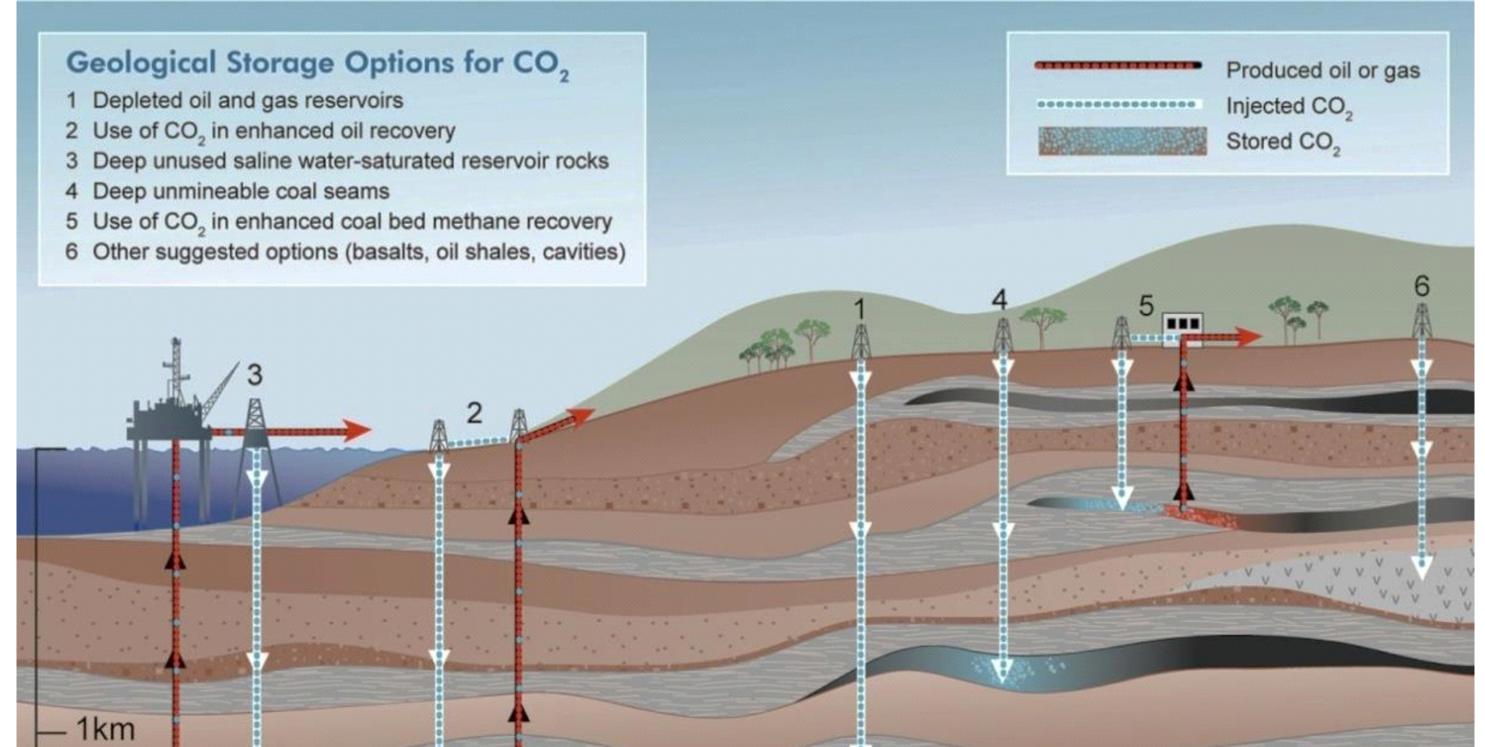


Experimental setup

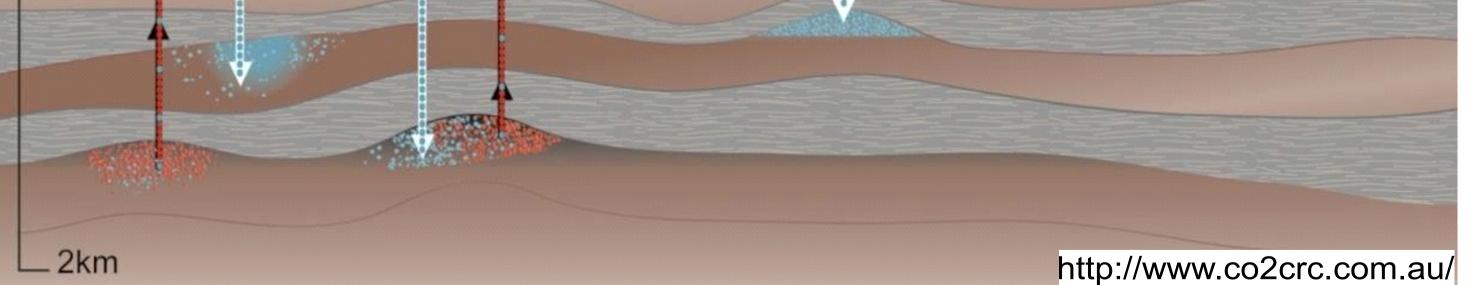
The experimental work will be carried out in the rig for CO_2 storage multi-flow tests at the **Rock Physics laboratory** in the **NOCS**. The setup is configured to measure simultaneously ultrasonic P- & S-wave velocities and attenuations, electrical resistivity, axial and radial strains, and permeability, during the co-injection of up to two pore fluids (under flow and pressure control). See the experimental procedure in the video...



Scottish CCS' interactive world map of carbon capture and storage projects (www.sccs.org.uk/map)



Brine:CO₂ flow rate



E xample of our results: Brine-CO2 flow-through test on sandstone sample from Utsira. Pore pressure (Pp), effective pressure (Peff), temperature (T), ultrasonic P-wave velocity (Vp) and attenuation factor (Qp-1), and electrical resistivity for eight consecutive brine:CO2 fractional flows, covering seven drainage (the first, 100:0, using brine as pore fluid and the next six, from 100(s):0 to 0:100, using CO2 saturated brine) and a forced imbibition (R-100:0) episodes, plotted versus pore volume (PV). Dark striped bands are the interludes between two consecutive brine:CO2 episodes. Blue and yellow bands indicate drainage measurements, prior to and in the presence of free (non-dissolved) CO2, respectively (dark blue for brine; light blue for CO2 saturated brine), and green for imbibition.

