

Country Report – Germany

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Pyrolysis activities (1/3) - Research

- TI
 - FNR: „Upgrading“ collaborative project with Fraunhofer UMSICHT, Oberhausen, Nov. 01, 2013 – Oct. 31, 2016, bio-oil upgrading by hydrotreatment
 - FNR: „LignoHTL“ ERA-Net/Wood Wisdom project with VTT, (FI), LIKAT (DE), and IRCE (FR), hydrothermal treatment of black liquor with subsequent hydrotreatment, July 01, 2014 – June 30, 2017
 - Chemicals from bio-oil by scCO₂ gas extraction; PhD thesis

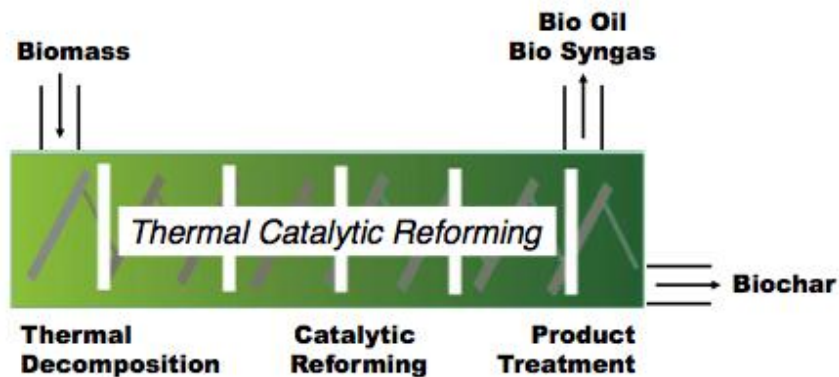
Pyrolysis activities (2/3) - Research

- TUHH, TI
 - Biorefinery 2021 (CFB pyrolysis of lignin)
- Fraunhofer UMSICHT
 - To be presented by Tim Schulzke
- KIT
 - To be presented by Axel Funke

Pyrolysis activities (3/3) – Pilot & Demonstration

- PYTEC
 - Ablative pyrolyzer (6tpd), dormant
- Fraunhofer UMSICHT
 - To be presented by Tim Schulzke
 - Sulzbach-Rosenberg: Intermediate pyrolysis, Thermal Catalytic Reforming (TCR), Andreas Hornung
- KIT
 - To be presented by Axel Funke

„Thermal Catalytic Reforming“ Technology (TCR)



- Processing of solid biomass with up to 30% water content
- Thermal decomposition of feedstock in auger reactor with controlled temperature zones
- Activated biochar facilitates cracking of long-chain organic compounds
- Integrated, catalytic steam reforming to optimize product yields and qualities in second reactor stage
- Simple product treatment stage
- Producing quality gas, oil, char and water phase



Advantages

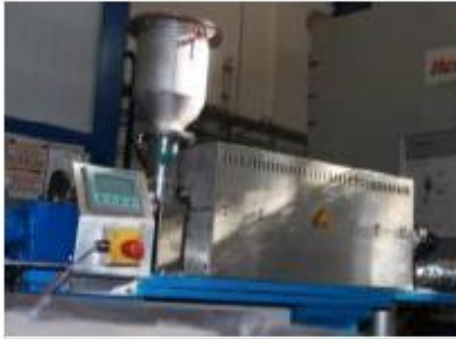
- High feedstock and product flexibility
- Variation of product yields through process parameters
- Up to 30% of water content in feedstock
- Unique quality of products
- Gas and oil suitable for combined heat & power production
- Robust, fully continuous process



Lab unit with 2 kg/h feedstock capacity tested at Fraunhofer UMSICHT

TCR status March 2015

<https://tu-freiberg.de/fakult4/iec/pdf/symposium/1103VortragProfHornungFhGUMSICHT.pdf>



Durchsatz: 2 kg pro Stunde

Beheizung: Elektrisch

Design: Kompakt (experimenteller Maßstab)

Durchsatz: 30 kg pro Stunde

Beheizung: Elektrisch

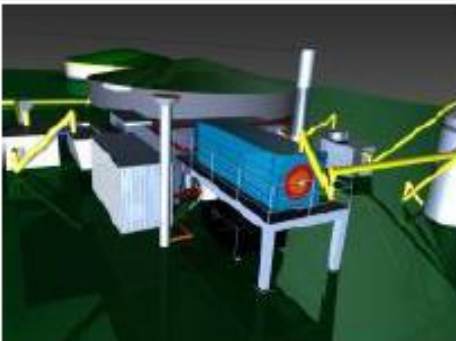
Design: Pilot (Demonstrationsmaßstab)



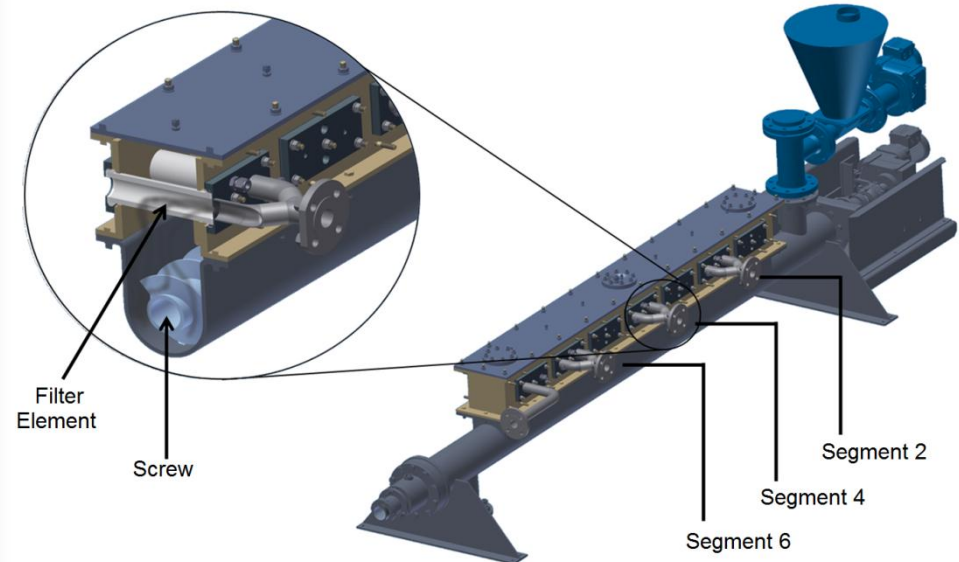
Durchsatz: 300 kg pro Stunde

Beheizung: Thermisch (biogen)

Design: Industrieller Maßstab



STYX Integrated Pyrolysis Reactor



Reactor Data

Flow Rate	< 10 Kg/h
Temperature	< 600 °C
Residence Time	5 - 25 Min
Heated Length	2000 mm
Screw Diameter	150 mm

Filtration Data

N° Elements	2 – 14
Length	200 mm
Diameter	60 mm
Material	SiC

Operation Data

Time (2012-2014)	2500 h
Material (2012-2014)	6,5 tons
Main Feedstocks:	
Beech Wood, Wheat Straw, Coffee Dust, Chicken Manure, Oil Sand, etc.	

STYX Upgrading of biogenic residues

