Microwave active conductive metal oxides for CO₂ dry reforming of methane

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Why dry reforming?

$CH_4 + H_2O \leftrightarrow 3H_2 + CO$ $CO + H_2O \leftrightarrow H_2 + CO_2$

Methane steam reforming

Dry reforming methane

- consumes CO₂ instead of producing
- $CH_{4} + CO_{2} \leftrightarrow 2H_{2} + 2CO$
- generates syngas in a 1:1 ratio
- **Requires higher temperatures**

Conductive oxides



- Our catalysts are based on the conductive perovskite oxide $La_{0.8}Sr_{0.2}CoO_3$ (LSC)
- As an oxide, LSC can safely be heated in air to remove coke
- High conductivity allows it to heat efficiently in microwave



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- Chemical reaction occurs at catalyst surface
- Selectively heat where the reaction occurs

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Why microwaves?

- Microwaves heat selectively
- Saves energy and time by only heating what needs heating



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