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This program consists of two separate research areas. Part 1, for which this report is written, studied the high temperature corrosion of advanced ceramic hot gas filters, while Part 2 studied the long-term durability of ceramic heat exchangers to coal combustion environments. Since Part 2 of this program is still ongoing, the following paragraphs will only discuss the work performed for Part 1.

Objectives

The objectives of Part 1 were to select two candidate ceramic filter materials for flow-through hot corrosion studies and subsequent corrosion and mechanical properties characterization. In addition, a thermodynamic database was developed so that thermochemical modeling studies could be performed to simulate operating conditions of laboratory reactors and existing coal combustion power plants, and to predict the reactions of new filter materials with coal combustion environments. The latter would make it possible to gain insight into problems that could develop during actual operation of filters in coal combustion power plants so that potential problems could be addressed before they arise.

Service Environments

There are two basic environments that a hot gas filter will encounter. These are oxidizing and reducing. A carbonizing environment is essentially a reducing environment with carbon depositing due to the extreme reducing conditions. This paper will examine six systems currently in use. Three are laboratory operations and three are operating coal combustion plants. Of the six systems, two have been characterized as oxidizing, three as reducing and one as carbonizing. The operating conditions and gas compositions for all six systems are shown in Table 1.

Filter Material

Filters can be classified in two general categories: early and later-generation. Examples of early-generation filters are Schumacher Dia Schumalith FT20 and F40 clay-bonded SiC,
Table 1: Operating Conditions and Gas Compositions for Combustion Systems

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Condition</th>
<th>Argonne National Lab</th>
<th>Penn State</th>
<th>Pinon Pine</th>
<th>Wilsonville Facility</th>
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<td>650°C</td>
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<td>52.60 %</td>
<td>48.66 %</td>
<td>55.51 %</td>
<td>12.5 %</td>
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<td>1 atm</td>
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<td>10 atm</td>
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<td>72.4 %</td>
<td>50 %</td>
<td>48.66 %</td>
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<td>CO₂</td>
<td>13.5 %</td>
<td>6.9 %</td>
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<td>CO</td>
<td>3.7 %</td>
<td>8.8 %</td>
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<td>O₂</td>
<td>8.3 %</td>
<td>9.4 %</td>
<td>14.57 %</td>
<td>14.57 %</td>
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<td>H₂O</td>
<td>10.5 %</td>
<td>24 %</td>
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<td>H₂</td>
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<td>3300 ppm</td>
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<td>-</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Air - Balance</td>
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Coors P-100A alumina/mullite and Pall Vitropore 442T clay-bonded SiC. The DuPont/Lanxide PRD-66 filament-wound oxide (layered cordierite, mullite, cristobalite and corundum), DuPont/Lanxide ‘enhanced SiC-SiC’ and 3M Type 203 CVI-SiC composite are considered later-generation filters. A summation of different filter types and where they have been tested has been presented previously by Alvin [1]. An updated list is shown in Table 2. The two candidate filters studied in this program were DuPont/Lanxide ‘enhanced SiC-SiC’ and 3M Type 203 CVI-SiC composite.

Experimental Procedure

Based on results from earlier flow-over tests on 3M’s Type 203 filters (SiC matrix-Nextel fiber composite) and DuPont Lanxide’s SiC-SiC composite filters with Nicalon fibers, a reactor was developed to allow for flow-through experiments on 18” sealed sections of filters coated with ash collected at the Tidd plant. The vertical flow-through reactor schematically shown in Figure 1 consists of a 6 inch I.D. SiC furnace.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Process</th>
<th>Operating Condition</th>
<th>Temp. Range (°C)</th>
<th>Candle Filter Type</th>
<th>Test Facility</th>
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<td>AEP Tidd PFBC</td>
<td>Oxidizing</td>
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<td>Pilot Plant</td>
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<td>FW PFBC</td>
<td>Oxidizing</td>
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<td>F40, P-100A</td>
<td>Pilot Plant</td>
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<td>&lt;760</td>
<td>P-100A</td>
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<td>700</td>
<td>F40, P-100A</td>
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<td>Pinon Pine</td>
<td>Reducing</td>
<td>750</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pilot Plant</td>
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<td>Wilsonville Carbonizing</td>
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<td>816</td>
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<td>Pilot Plant</td>
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<td>Laboratory</td>
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<td>Laboratory</td>
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<tr>
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<td>870</td>
<td>Type 203, D/L 'enhanced SiC-SiC'</td>
<td>Laboratory</td>
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Figure 1. Vertical flow-through reactor designed for corrosion studies of cermaic filters.
The 1 atmosphere inlet gas flow of 30% O$_2$, 15% H$_2$O, 3300 ppm SO$_2$, 1100 ppm HCl, 10 ppm NaCl and 55% air is forced to flow through the filter material. According to Hurley [2], these are the primary species which must be included in PFBC hot-gas filter tests since they either corrode silicon- and aluminum-based ceramics, or affect the activities of the corrodents. The above concentrations are those suggested by Hurley for 1 atm tests.

The presently described Penn State tests were carried out with the inlet gas flow rate between 1 and 5 slm at temperatures up to 870°C and time periods of 50, 100 and 200 hours. After exposure to the corrosive environment, any phase or morphological changes were studied with x-ray diffraction and scanning electron microscopy. The residual strength of the filters were measured by internal pressurized burst testing.

**Results and Discussion**

**Flow-Through Test**

An initial flow-through test has been conducted on a section of 3M Type 203 filter at 870°C and 5 slm for 50 hours. Figure 2 contains a scanning electron micrograph of the inner surface of the filtering layer of the as-received 3M filter. The filtering layer consists of a mat of chopped Nextel 312 fibers with a CVI layer of SiC. The fiber surfaces appear smooth with spherical features on the order of 5 microns. Figure 3 shows the inner surface of the filtering layer after exposure. The mat now consists of 1 micron diameter fibrils extending from the chopped fiber surface.

Constant volume x-ray powder diffraction of the filtering layer of the as-received 3M filter revealed the presence of alpha SiC. The SiC is likely a mix of polytypes but the x-ray pattern most closely matches that of the 15R polytype (JCPDS file number 39-1196). X-ray on the exposed 3M filtering layer revealed an amorphous or glassy component and several low-angle peaks in addition to the SiC peaks found in the as-received 3M filter (Figure 4). The low-angle peaks seem to indicate the presence of trace amounts of tridymite.

**Strength Testing**

As-received and exposed 3M filter materials were cut into 4” sections for internal pressurized burst testing. To pressurize the tubes from these materials, 3 inch rubber plugs were made and centered 0.5 inches from each end to minimize edge effects. The ends of the plugs were then compressed at a crosshead speed of 5 mm/min until the tube sections failed. Results indicate that the exposed filter maintained approximately 85% of its initial strength.
Figure 2. Filtering layer of as-received 3M Type 203 filter.

Figure 3. Filtering layer of 3M Type 203 filter after exposure at 870°C for 50 hours.
Figure 4. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of as-received and exposed filtering layer from 3M Type 203 filters.
Thermochemical Modeling

Oxidation/corrosion of ceramic materials is a major concern when designing hot-gas filters. The effect of temperature, pressure, steam, sulfur and alkali concentration is of great importance. By using thermochemical modeling, the limiting reactions of the ceramic materials in oxidizing and reducing systems can be predicted in advance of actual field trials. The reactions of silicon carbide filters and alumina/mullite filters with several oxidizing and reducing atmospheres (Table 1) were examined using ChemSage equilibrium software and thermodynamic data from the SGTE database [3], with the exception that the data for the Si-O-H molecules were taken from Allendorf et al. [4]. These hydroxide data are consistent with experimental results of Opila et al. [5] and Krikorian [6]. Appendix A contains a complete input/output of a typical calculation to illustrate the extensive number of gaseous and condensed species which were considered. The Penn State gas composition/conditions listed in Table 1, along with excess solid SiC were used for this calculation.

Two types of information were examined in the modeling calculations. First, we determined if any solid products were formed at equilibrium in addition to the solids which were added in excess to the input species. Second, for the SiC filter corrosion simulations, we identified the most important gaseous species (and their partial pressures) which contained Si, S, Na, and Cl. For the alumina/mullite simulations, the most important gas containing Al was added to the above list. These respective data are summarized in Tables 3 and 4, and will be discussed below. More detailed information concerning other important species is given in respective Appendices B and C. Although many gaseous species are present at equilibrium with each filter material, as is clearly illustrated by the listing in Appendix A, only the important gases containing sodium, chlorine, sulfur, silicon and aluminum are shown in Appendices B and C. These are the gases directly related to the degradation of the filter materials.

Figure 5 schematically shows the reaction interfaces encountered by the combustion gases over time as interactions with SiC-based filters occur, and is the basis for the logic of our thermochemical modeling calculations. The initial interaction of the gases with the filter oxidizes the SiC to form SiO₂ and carbon. This occurs even with “reducing” gas mixtures. Over time, the carbon will typically be oxidized and a protective coating of the SiO₂ will cover the SiC filter. Thus, at later stages, the input of fresh combustion gases to the filter will primarily interact with the protective oxide coating.

Our SiC filter modeling studies considered the two extreme cases for each condition shown in Table 1: (a) equilibration of the combustion gases with excess SiC, and (b) equilibration of the same input combustion gases with excess SiO₂. Table 3 provides a summary of these SiC filter modeling results. Condensed versions of the input and output results for these calculations are given in Appendix B.
Table 3: Summary of Thermodynamic Modeling Results for Simulating the Corrosion of SiC Hot-Gas Filter Materials

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Facility</th>
<th>Condition</th>
<th>T°C</th>
<th>P(atm)</th>
<th>Filter Additional solids</th>
<th>Si ons</th>
<th>S ons</th>
<th>Na ons</th>
<th>Cl ons</th>
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<td>Oxidizing</td>
<td>850</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>none Na₂SO₄</td>
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<td>SO₂/2.1E-4</td>
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<td>not present</td>
<td>NaCl/7.0E-6</td>
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<td>Argonne</td>
<td>Oxidizing</td>
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<td>1.0</td>
<td>SiC C/SiO₂ NaCl</td>
<td>SiS/1.7E-5</td>
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<td>SiC C/SiO₂/NaCl SiO₂ film Na₂Si₂O₅</td>
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* See Table 1 for more details on operating conditions.
### Table 4: Summary of Thermodynamic Modeling Results for Simulating the Corrosion of Alumina/Mullite Hot-Gas Filter Materials

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<th>Facility</th>
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<th>S</th>
<th>Na</th>
<th>Cl</th>
<th>Gas/P(atm) of most abundant species containing:</th>
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<td>SO₂/2.3E-4</td>
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<td>650</td>
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<td>Si(OH)₄/1.2E-8</td>
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<td>Al₂O₃/mull C</td>
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<td>Si(OH)₄/1.0E-7</td>
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<td>Si(OH)₄/6.8E-7</td>
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* See Table 1 for more details on operating conditions.
Figure 5. Schematic of reaction interface for combustion gases with SiC-based filters.
Our alumina/mullite filter modeling studies considered each condition shown in Table 1 along with excess alumina/mullite. Table 4 provides a summary of these alumina/mullite filter modeling results. Condensed versions of the input and output results for these calculations are given in Appendix C.

Table 3 summarizing our SiC filter modeling results shows that the initial reactions of a combustion gas with the filter always produce a reducing environment at the equilibrium gas/filter interface. The equilibrium mixture consists of the gas, excess SiC, and product solid phases of SiO₂ and C. Other solid product phases may also form, as is seen in Table 3. Under these reducing conditions, the sulfur from the combustion gas is primary in the form of gaseous H₂S, and the most important Si-containing gas under these condition is SiS. Sulfur is present in every system considered, except the Argonne reducing environment. The calculated partial pressure of SiS(g) is actually several orders of magnitude greater than that of silicon oxide, SiO(g) (see Appendix B for results of calculations with excess SiC). Therefore, sulfur can have a great influence on the removal of silicon from SiC. These results are typical for all conditions considered which produced a reducing environment.

If the SiC from the filter does not equilibrate with the combustion gas, as is the case after a protective SiO₂ oxide coating forms on the filter, then our model assumes the combustion gas equilibrates with excess silica glass in the filter region. Under the oxidizing Penn State conditions, solid Na₂SO₄ is also predicted to form and the primary sulfur containing gas is SO₂. This result was also obtained for the oxidizing gas used at Argonne. All other conditions listed in Table 3 which were modeled produced a reducing gas environment, even when the protective SiO₂ film formed on the filter. No solid Na₂SO₄ was predicted at equilibrium under these reducing conditions. This was true, for example, for the Pinon Pine and Wilsonville conditions both before and after a protective SiO₂ coating forms on the filter.

For equilibrium conditions after a protective SiO₂ coating forms on the filter, solid Na₂Si₂O₅ was predicted in two cases, and free carbon in another. Under 1 atm conditions, the Pinon Pine gas did not produce solid carbon when the protective oxide film was present, but did precipitate carbon under the same conditions at 10 atm total pressure. The “carbonizing” gas of the Wilsonville plant did not produce solid carbon with its 11.6 atm total gas pressure when the protective silica film was present. The NaCl concentration used in the reducing gas conditions at Argonne was high enough to produce NaCl solid along with the SiC oxidation products of SiO₂ and C.

Although sodium does not play an active role in silicon removal from the system, in several cases, a condensed sodium sulfate, sodium chloride, or sodium silicate was predicted to form, particularly after the protective silica oxidation layer was in place. Sodium may act as a fluxing agent on the surface of a filter thus affecting the diffusion of
oxygen or water vapor through the silica layer and may promote the retention of ash on the filter surface [8].

The maximum loss of SiC filter material by gaseous corrosion products can be predicted using the equilibrium partial pressures of the most abundant silicon containing species. When the gas initially equilibrates with the excess SiC, producing reducing conditions at the gas/filter interface, Table 3 shows that SiS gas is the most abundant silicon-containing species when sulfur is present. When the protective silica film forms on the filter, gaseous Si(OH)₄ is the most abundant silicon-containing species. Under the 1 atm conditions used in most of the modeled systems, the initial filter loss rates from SiS formation are predicted to be orders of magnitude greater than the later loss rates from gaseous Si(OH)₄, which dominates after a protective oxide coating forms. However, increases in the total system pressure cause these two rates to be more comparable, as is seen by comparing the Pinon Pine 1 atm and 10 atm results. The SiS pressure does not change much with an increase in pressure, while the Si(OH)₄ pressure increases by several orders of magnitude. The two chemical reactions of relevance are:

(A) \[ \text{SiC} + \text{H}_2\text{S} = \text{SiS} + \text{C} + \text{H}_2\text{(g)} \] (initial reducing conditions)

(B) \[ \text{SiO}_2 + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{Si(OH)}_4\text{(g)} \] (after protective SiO₂ film forms)

In reaction (A), an increase in the H₂:H₂S ratio with increasing total pressure is needed to cause an increase in the SiS pressure with increasing total pressure. If the respective fractions of the H₂ and H₂S in the gas stay constant as total pressure increases, their individual partial pressures would increase, but not their ratio, so the SiS partial pressure would remain constant.

With reaction (B), an increase in the partial pressure of H₂O will cause an increase in the Si(OH)₄ partial pressure. Again, if the fraction of the H₂O in the gas stays constant as total pressure increases by say an order of magnitude, the H₂O partial pressure would also increase by an order of magnitude, and the partial pressure of Si(OH)₄ would increase by two orders of magnitude.

Of course, assuming the above gas species fractions stay constant with increasing total pressure is a simplification since other reactions involving these species are also a function of pressure. However, the main point to be made is that the Si(OH)₄ partial pressure has a much stronger dependence on total pressure than the SiS partial pressure.

The modeling calculations and the above discussion point out the important role that sulfur can have on silicon removal when strong reducing conditions exist (excess SiC). However, the “reducing” combustion gases listed in Table 1 are not reducing enough for SiS(g) to dominate the silicon removal when a protective silica coating forms on the filter. Therefore, this SiS corrosion mechanism is controlled by the rate at which the protective
silica layer forms. Under these latter conditions, Si(OH)$_4$ gas dominates the silicon removal via the vapor phase. As noted above with reaction (B), water vapor has a strong influence on the Si(OH)$_4$ partial pressure.

This above influence of water vapor on SiO$_2$ corrosion was experimentally observed previously for reactions with a 10% H$_2$O/10% O$_2$/80% N$_2$ atmosphere at temperatures up to 1100°C at 1 atm total pressure and up to 1300°C at 10 atm total pressure [6-7]. The removal of silicon from the filter by SiS(g) under excess SiC conditions is several orders of magnitude larger than would occur by the active oxidation of SiC by SiO(g) (see data in Appendix B for excess SiC conditions). This indicates the severe corrosive effect that sulfur can have on SiC. It should be noted that the Si(OH)$_4$ gas partial pressures which dominate the silicon removal when a protective silica layer is formed are at least as great or greater than the partial pressures of SiO gas which exist during the active oxidation of SiC (see data in Appendix B for excess SiC conditions).

An alumina/mullite filter material examined under the same above conditions that were considered for SiC-based filters revealed the loss of aluminum and silicon through the gases Al(OH)$_3$ and Si(OH)$_4$, as is shown in Table 4. The Si(OH)$_4$ partial pressures produced by reaction with mullite were the same order of magnitude as the cases in which a protective silica coating was present in the SiC system. These partial pressure values are expected for alumina/mullite filters since the thermodynamic activity of silica is calculated to be $\sim$0.5 for all conditions examined with these materials (see Appendix C).

The Si(OH)$_4$ (g) partial pressures were always several orders of magnitude greater than those of Al(OH)$_3$, which indicates the surface of the mullite could become rich in Al$_2$O$_3$ with time, providing a more corrosion-resistant surface layer. A factor of 10 pressure increase for the Pinon Pine reactor (Table 4, Appendix C), increased the Si(OH)$_4$ (g) by about 300, and the Al(OH)$_3$ (g) by about 100. This effect of total pressure is explained by the H$_2$O pressure increase of about 20, and the reactions of the water with the oxides to form their respective hydroxides.

Solid NaAlSiO$_4$ was predicted to form in several cases of modeling the corrosion of alumina/mullite filters, and Na$_2$SO$_4$ was predicted to form in one case. Alvin et al. [8] predicted that oxide-based materials would react with gas-phase alkali forming stable solid complexes. As was mentioned above, sodium may flux the surface of the filter and promote reactions and retention of ash on the filter surface. Sulfur did not have any noticeable effect on the corrosion reactions of the alumina/mullite filter material.

Comparison with Other Studies and Field Experience

The above thermochemical calculations of possible corrosion reactions should ideally be compared in detail to data from other modeling studies, experiments and field experience. The most extensive thermochemical modeling on these systems reported previously was
that of Judkins et al. [7]. They recently reviewed the use of silicon carbide hot-gas filters in coal gasification and pressurized fluidized bed combustion environments, and also performed thermodynamic calculations to examine the stability of various ceramic phases. Quantitative comparisons of their PFBC results with those reported here are not possible since: (a) a complete listing of the chemical species used in their dataset was not given, (b) they used 1 MPa pressure while we used 1 atm (~0.1 MPa), and (c) their input gas composition was different from ours. Both studies used a temperature of 870°C. Also, the logic of Judkins et al. [7] simulations was not specified, so it is not clear how the input concentrations were determined in order to simulate the gas-solid interface reactions expected to occur in a dynamically reacting flow system. Some of these points are briefly discussed below to illustrate the problems with attempting to quantitatively compare the two studies.

For example, Table 3 summarizing our modeling results for SiC filters shows that the initial reactions of the combustion gas with the filter produces a reducing environment in which the equilibrium typically consists of the gas, excess SiC, and product solid phases of SiO₂ and C. The sulfur is primary in the form of gaseous H₂S, and the most important Si-containing gas under these reducing conditions is SiS. The species H₂S and SiS are not mentioned as being important in the review of Judkins et al. [7], but it is not known why their results were different; perhaps these species were not included in their thermodynamic dataset, or they did not perform calculations with excess solid SiC. The formation of gaseous H₂S and SiS under the reducing conditions which occur at the SiC-gas interface reduces the tendency for solid Na₂SO₄ to form.

The influence of increasing the system pressure was discussed above, and is most dramatic in the increase in the Si(OH)₄ partial pressure since it will increase by the square of the increase in water partial pressure. This hydroxide species was not included in the discussions of Judkins et al. [7], but it is probably the most important cause of silicon loss from SiC filters once a protective oxide layer is formed.

In our laboratory studies, accelerated oxidation of SiC has been observed due to the presence of H₂O and alkalis. This results in the accelerated formation of SiO₂, silicates, and sulfates. At temperatures of 870°C and 200 hours of exposure, tridymite began to crystallize in conjunction with the formation of an amorphous, glassy phase on the surface of the SiC filters. EDAX analysis of the glassy material indicated the presence of silicon, oxygen, sulfur, magnesium, potassium and aluminum. The magnesium, potassium, and aluminum are from the ash and formed a solid solution with the SiO₂ glassy phase (Figures 2 & 3). Since we did not consider ash in our modeling studies, a direct comparison of our experiments and modeling results cannot be made. However, these two sets of results are consistent with one another, and in good qualitative agreement.
Alvin has reported oxidation of SiC-based filter at temperatures of 620-870°C [1,8]. The presence of gas phase sodium appeared to enhance surface oxidation of the SiC leading to areas enriched with SiO₂. However, sodium was not detected in the SiO₂ layer after 400 hours of exposure to a 20 ppm NaCl/steam/air flow-through environment at 870°C [1] nor in 200 hour flow-through tests at Penn State under similar conditions (Table 1). The vapor pressure of NaCl was apparently high enough to vaporize sodium away from the glass by a reaction such as that given below, thus preventing the formation of the sodium silicate.

\[
\text{(C) } \text{Na}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_5 + 2 \text{HCl(g)} = 2 \text{NaCl(g)} + \text{H}_2\text{O(g)} + 2 \text{SiO}_2
\]

Also, exchange reactions of potassium from the ash with the sodium may play a role in the sodium loss to the vapor. The predictions of volatilization of oxides via hydrated species, particularly at high system pressures, requires monitoring of weight loss during service or high-pressure experiments. These types of experiments have not been performed but based on SEM observations before and after exposure [8], bondposts between grains in clay-bonded SiC materials appear to have thinned, indicating a loss of silica.

The extent to which the observed degradation of mechanical properties is due to these possible corrosive reactions is not clear at this point since the carefully controlled experiments at high system pressures have not been performed. There is a need to test these predictions by careful experiments and observations of field tests of materials before and after field exposure.

**Conclusions**

Thermochemical modeling of the reaction of corrosive environments with ceramic hot gas filter materials used in coal combustion power generating systems can be effectively used to predict the effects of temperature, pressure, and gas constituents on the chemical stability of the filter material. These predictions can then be used to anticipate problems that may arise during actual operating conditions not easily duplicated in a laboratory setting such as the extreme pressures found in an operating coal combustion plant. Our modeling has shown that sulfur can play a very active role in the removal of silicon from SiC by forming SiS(g) during the initial stages of corrosion, and that water vapor can produce significant partial pressures of Si(OH)₄ from reactions with (a) silica protective coatings on SiC filters, and (b) silica in the mullite. Sodium does not directly affect the removal of silicon, but may act as a fluxing agent by forming sodium sulfates, chlorides, or silicates on the surface of the filters which could than alter the diffusion of oxygen and water vapor through the glassy interface, as well as promote the sticking of ash particles. The removal of aluminum from alumina/mullite by hydroxide gaseous species is almost three orders of magnitude less severe than the removal of silicon by its hydroxides. In order to develop a complete understanding of the corrosion of ceramic filters, further
work is needed in modeling the slag solid solutions that the ash forms on the filter surface during particulate removal.

The above thermodynamic predictions provide the limiting equilibrium behavior of these filter materials in a corrosive environment. Kinetic factors were qualitatively discussed in terms such "protective coatings" which slow reaction rates, but more thought and modeling is needed in this area. Also, maximum corrosion rates through vapor losses could be calculated by assuming the vapor is saturated with the equilibrium gaseous species. This is probably a good assumption since the gas has significant contact time with the filter while it is passing through the filter. These predictions should be used as guidelines in designing experimental programs and pilot plant tests.
References


APPENDIX A

Table A1. Detailed input/output of equilibrium calculation for Penn State gases present with excess SiC filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1. Summary results are given in Table 3. This example illustrates the extensive number of gaseous and condensed species which are considered in each equilibrium calculation.
Table A1: Complete set of results obtained when calculating the equilibrium for the Penn State conditions (Table 1) with excess SiC.

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APPENDIX B

Condensed Results for Thermochemical Modeling of the Corrosion of SiC-Based Hot-Gas Filter Materials under the Conditions listed in Table 1. Summary Results are Given in Table 3

Table B1  Condensed equilibrium results for Argonne National Laboratory combustion gases present under: (a) oxidizing (1 atm, 850°C) and (b) reducing (1 atm, 650°C) conditions. No filter material is present. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table B2  Condensed equilibrium results for Argonne National Laboratory combustion gases present under oxidizing (1 atm, 850°C) with (a) excess SiC filter material, and (b) excess SiO₂ after a protective oxide film separates the SiC from the gas. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table B3  Condensed equilibrium results for Argonne National Laboratory combustion gases present under reducing (1 atm, 650°C) with (a) excess SiC filter material, and (b) excess SiO₂ after a protective oxide film separates the SiC from the gas. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table B4  Condensed equilibrium results for Penn State gases present with (a) excess SiC filter material, and (b) excess SiO₂ after a protective oxide film separates the SiC from the gas. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table B5  Condensed equilibrium results for Pinon Pines 1 atm combustion gases present with (a) excess SiC filter material, and (b) excess SiO₂ after a protective oxide film separates the SiC from the gas. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table B6  Condensed equilibrium results for Pinon Pines 10 atm combustion gases present with (a) excess SiC filter material, and (b) excess SiO₂ after a protective oxide film separates the SiC from the gas. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table B7  Condensed equilibrium results for Wilsonville 11.6 atm combustion gases present with (a) excess SiC filter material, and (b) excess SiO₂ after a protective oxide film separates the SiC from the gas. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.
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**PRESSURE:**  
\( \text{atm} \)

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| H\(_2\)   | 2.45E-01  |  |
| H\(_2\)S  | 5.34E-03  |  |
| Cl\(_2\)H | 1.86E-03  |  |
| CH\(_4\)  | 1.53E-03  |  |
| S\(_2\)Si | 2.43E-04  |  |
| Cl\(_2\)Na| 1.67E-05  |  |
| CO        | 1.20E-05  |  |
| Cl\(_2\)H\(_3\)Si | 6.59E-07 |  |
| HS        | 6.68E-07  |  |
| H\(_2\)O  | 1.53E-07  |  |
| O\(_2\)Si | 2.76E-09  |  |

**TOTAL:**  
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\( \text{atm} \)

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| O\(_2\)   | 4.07E-01  |  |
| H\(_2\)O  | 1.49E-01  |  |
| O\(_2\)S  | 2.59E-03  |  |
| Cl\(_2\)H | 1.09E-03  |  |
| O\(_3\)S  | 6.94E-04  |  |
| Cl\(_2\)Na| 7.52E-06  |  |
| Na\(_2\)O\(_4\)S | 4.65E-08 |  |
| H\(_4\)O\(_4\)Si | 2.11E-08 |  |
| H\(_2\)   | 8.50E-10  |  |

**TOTAL:**  
\( 1.00E+00 \)

**SOLIDS**  
**ACTIVITY**

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**PHASE: Gas**

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| H2            | 2.42E+00    |
| CH4           | 4.52E-01    |
| H2S           | 2.92E-04    |
| CO            | 2.85E-07    |
| H2O           | 1.92E-07    |
| SSi           | 1.11E-07    |
| H4Si          | 1.24E-09    |
| OSI           | 2.41E-11    |
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| CO            | 1.64E+00    |
| H2            | 1.43E+00    |
| CO2           | 9.76E-01    |
| H2O           | 6.53E-01    |
| CH4           | 1.57E-01    |
| H2S           | 2.00E-04    |
| COS           | 1.05E-05    |
| H4O4Si        | 1.99E-07    |
| **TOTAL:**    | **1.00E+01**|

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**T** = 816°C  
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### Table B7b Wilsonville

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APPENDIX C

Condensed Results for Thermochemical Modeling of the Corrosion of Alumina/Mullite Hot-Gas Filter Materials under the Conditions listed in Table 1. Summary Results are Given in Table 4.

Table C1 Condensed equilibrium results for Argonne National Laboratory combustion gases present under oxidizing (1 atm, 850°C) conditions with excess Alumina/Mullite filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table C2 Condensed equilibrium results for Argonne National Laboratory combustion gases present under reducing (1 atm, 650°C) conditions with excess Alumina/Mullite filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table C3 Condensed equilibrium results for Penn State gases present with excess Alumina/Mullite filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table C4 Condensed equilibrium results for Pinon Pine 1 atm combustion gases present with excess Alumina/Mullite filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table C5 Condensed equilibrium results for Pinon Pine 10 atm combustion gases present with excess Alumina/Mullite filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.

Table C6 Condensed equilibrium results for Wilsonville 11.6 atm combustion gases present with excess Alumina/Mullite filter material. Details of conditions are given in Table 1.
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T = 750°C  P = 10.0 atm

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CO2/Gas/  5.45E+00
CO/Gas/  2.38E+01
H2O/Gas/  5.51E+00
H2/Gas/  1.45E+01
H2S/Gas/  2.00E-03
CH4/Gas/  1.35E+00
*Al2O3  1.00E+02
*Al6O13Si2(MUL)  1.00E+02

PHASE: Gas
N2  5.13E+00
CO  1.64E+00
H2  1.43E+00
CO2  9.76E-01
H2O  6.53E-01
CH4  1.57E-01
H2S  2.00E-04
CO3  1.05E-05
H4O4Si  1.03E-07
AlH3O3  6.10E-11
TOTAL:  1.00E+00

SOLIDS  ACTIVITY
Al2O3  1.00E+00
Al6O13Si2  1.00E+00
C  1.00E+00
O2Si  5.18E-01

Table C6  Wilsonvilole  kes/psu 11/24/97
T = 816°C  P = 11.6 atm

INPUT SPECIES   AMOUNT/mol
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CO2/Gas/  2.37E+01
CO/Gas/  6.80E+00
H2O/Gas/  1.25E+01
H2/Gas/  5.00E-01
H2S/Gas/  8.00E-02
ClNa/Gas/  3.00E-03
CH4/Gas/  1.60E+00
COS/Gas/  1.50E-02
*Al2O3  1.00E+02
*Al6O13Si2(MUL)  1.00E+02

PHASE: Gas
N2  6.04E+00
CO2  2.64E+00
H2O  1.32E+00
CO  1.03E+00
H2  5.32E-01
H2S  1.00E-02
COS  8.77E-04
CH4  5.03E-04
CIH  3.43E-04
ClNa  1.08E-06
H4O4Si  6.77E-07
AlH3O3  6.85E-10
TOTAL:  1.00E+00

SOLIDS  ACTIVITY
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Al6O13Si2  1.00E+00
AlNaO4Si  1.00E+00
O2Si  5.48E-01
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