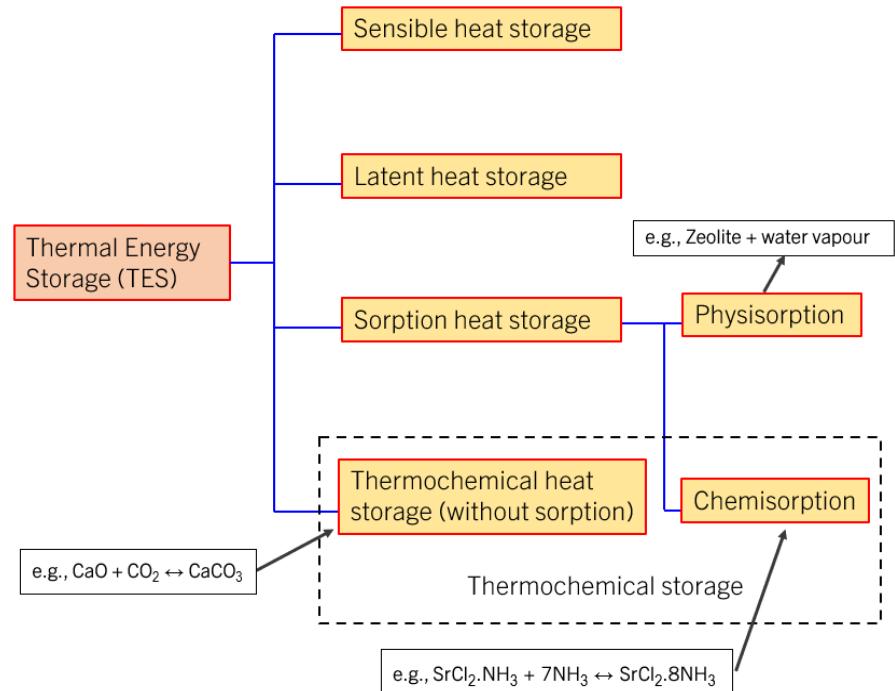
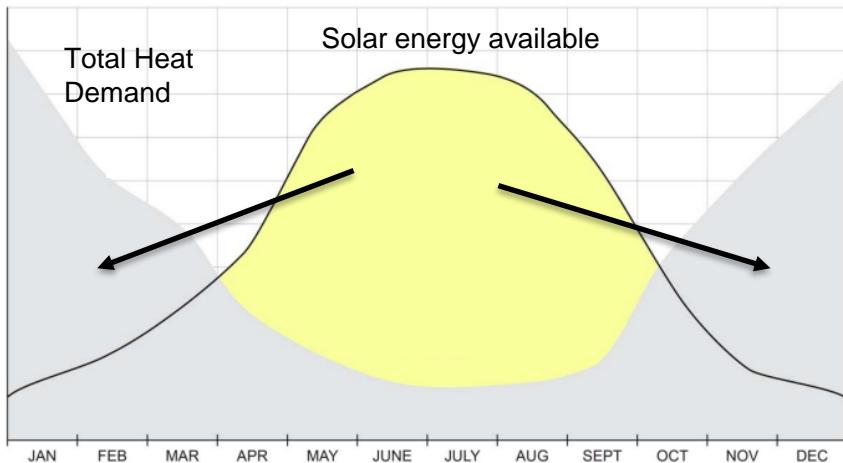


Advanced hybrid thermochemical-compression seasonal solar energy storage and heat pump system (Solar S&HP)

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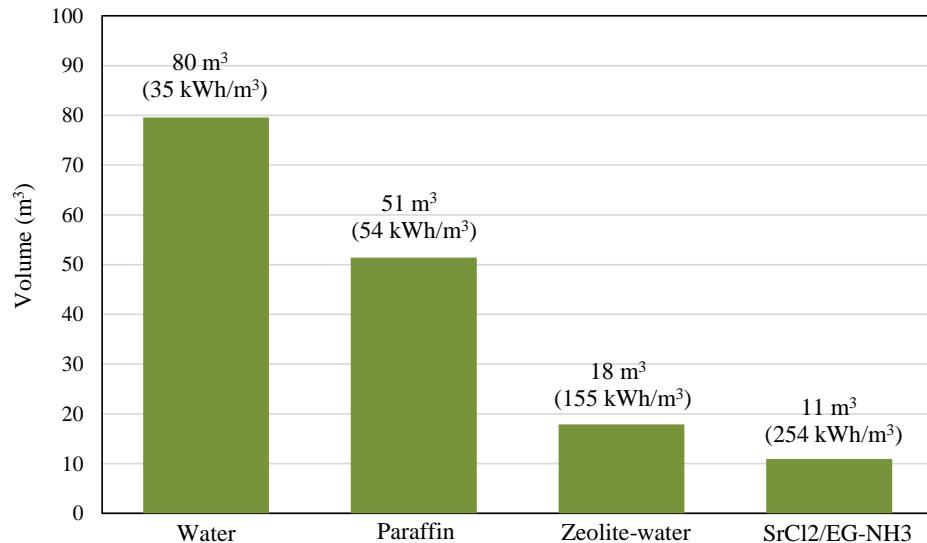
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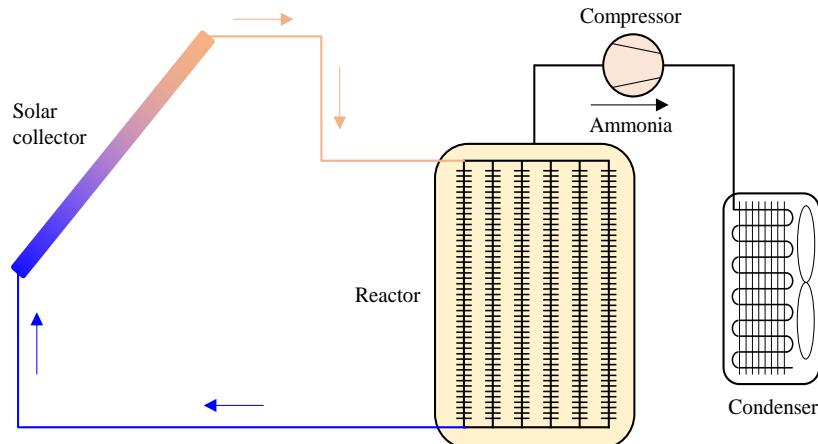
Material volumes required to store 10 GJ (2778 kWh) heat:

- Water: 55-95 °C storage temperature with 25% heat loss;
- Paraffin: triacontane, 66 °C phase change temperature, 55-95 °C storage temperature with 25% heat loss;
- Zeolite-H₂O: 650 kg/m³ bulk density, 0.25 g/g water uptake, no loss of sorption heat;
- SrCl₂/EG-NH₃: 500 kg/m³ salt packing density, no loss of sorption heat.

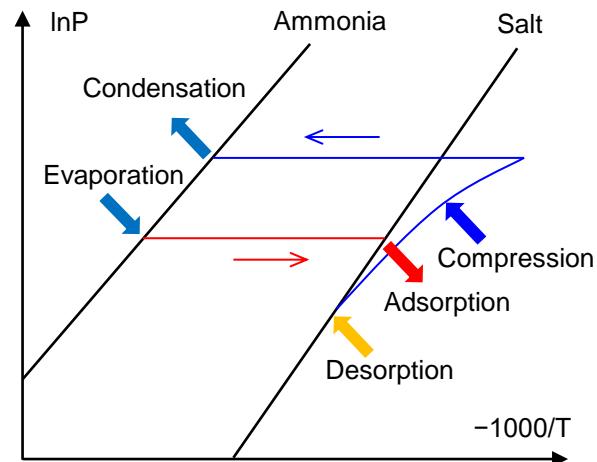


1. Seasonal solar thermal energy storage

- To use solar heat at relatively lower temperature
- To increase the solar fraction for space heating
- Secure the heat supply at sufficient high temperature in winter



The proposed hybrid thermochemical-compression
Solar S&HP system



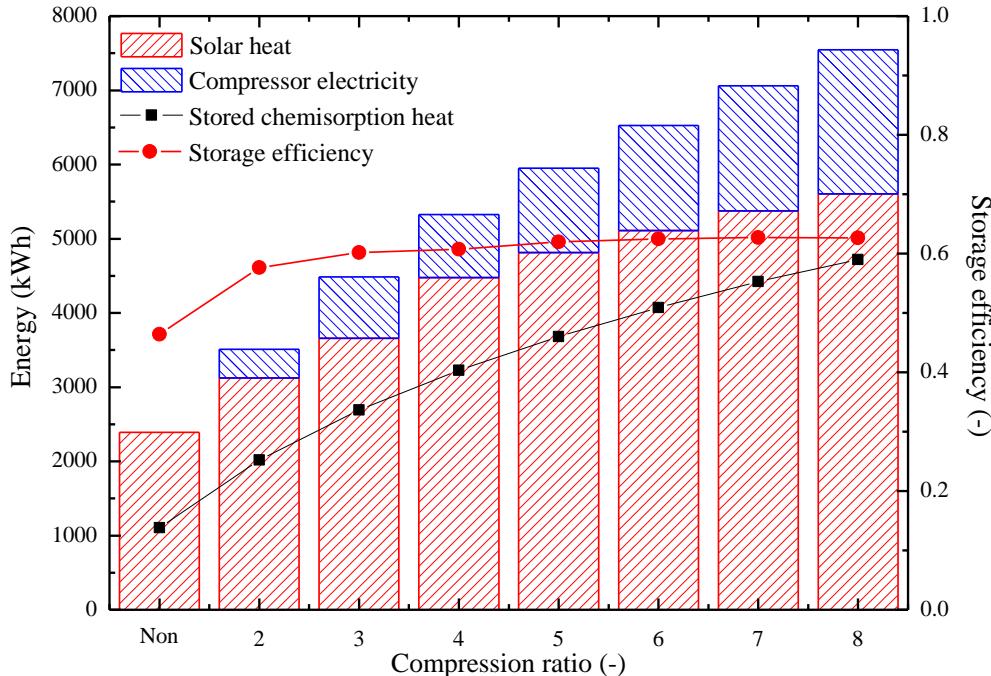
P-T diagram of Solar S&HP system

2. Thermodynamic calculation

Ammonia thermochemical sorption + Compressor

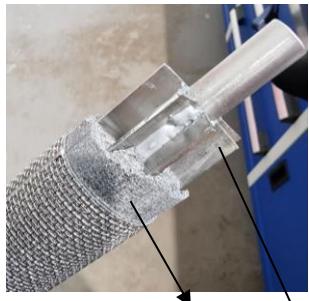
- Newcastle weather data;
- 20 m² flat-plate solar collector facing south, 45° inclination;
- SrCl₂-NH₃ as the working pair;
- No thermal insulation;

- Lower sensible heat consumption;
- All the desorption heat is provided by low-grade solar heat;
- System energy storage density, 147 kWh/m³



3. Chemisorption reactors

Mesh tube



Heat transfer test

Salt + EG

Longitudinal fin tube

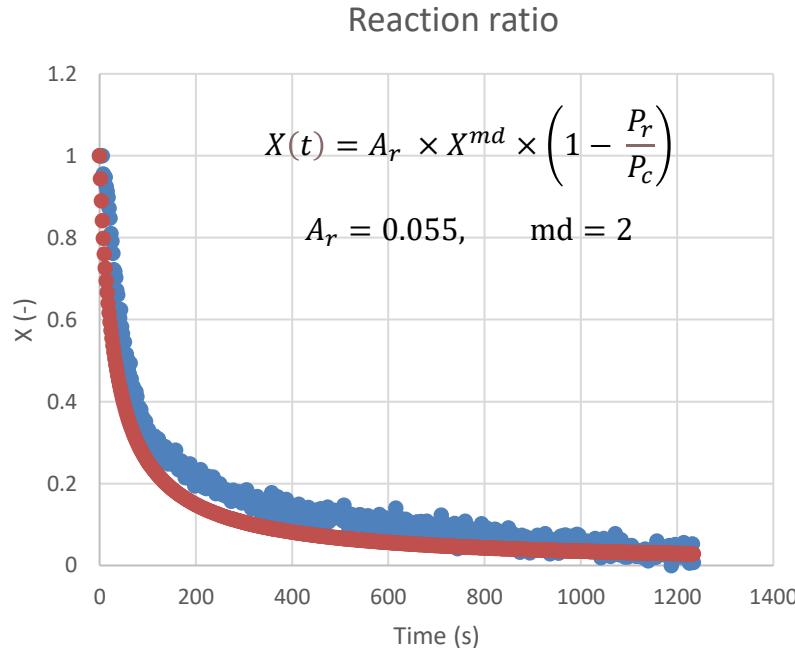
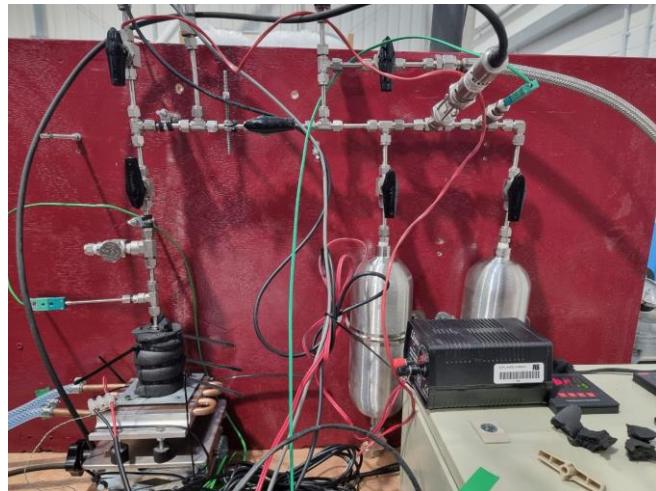


1st generation reactors
and test rig

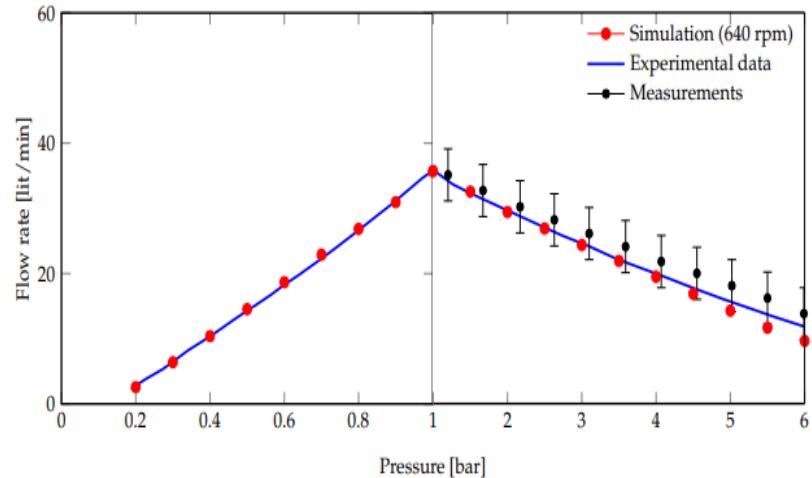
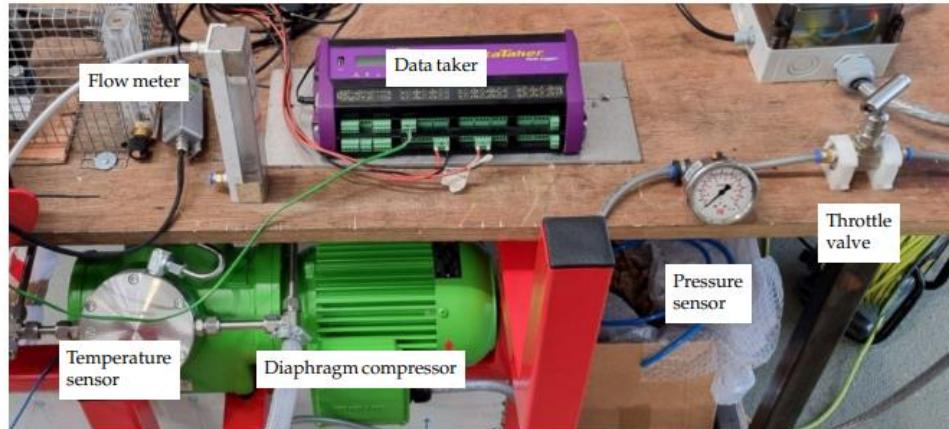
4. Kinetic test rig

To measure:

- Phase equilibrium;
- Kinetics of adsorption and desorption;



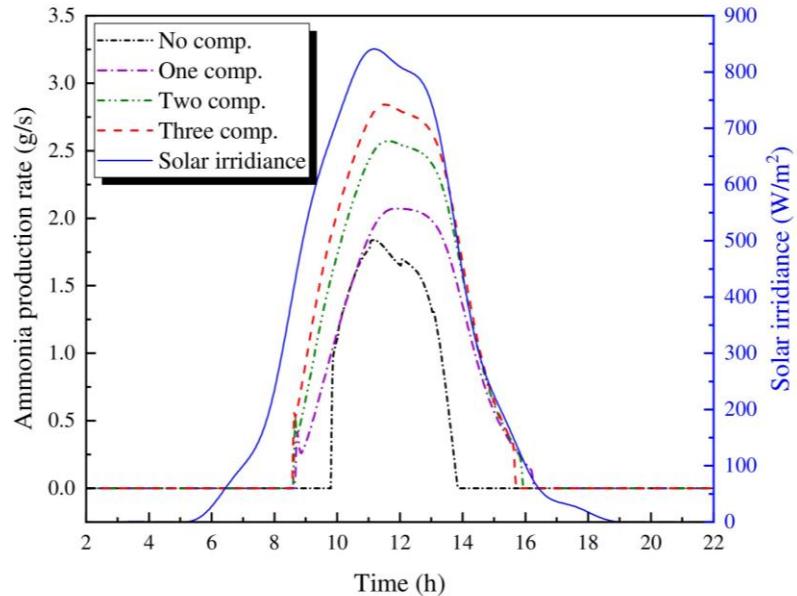
5. Compressor modelling and validation



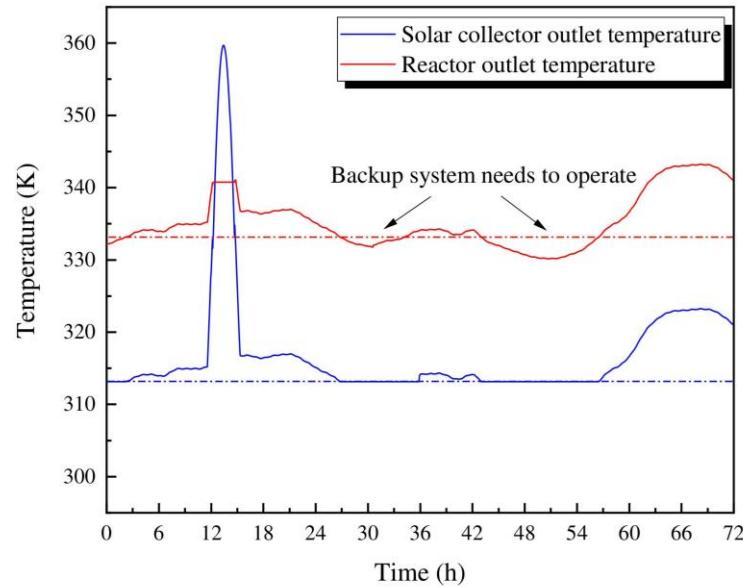
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6. Dynamic Simulation

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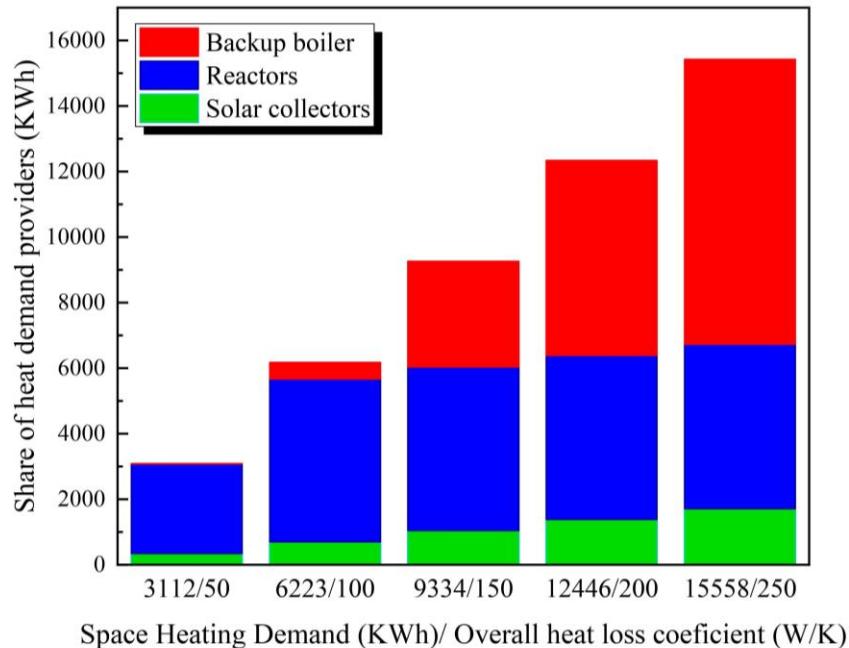


Charging process



Discharging process

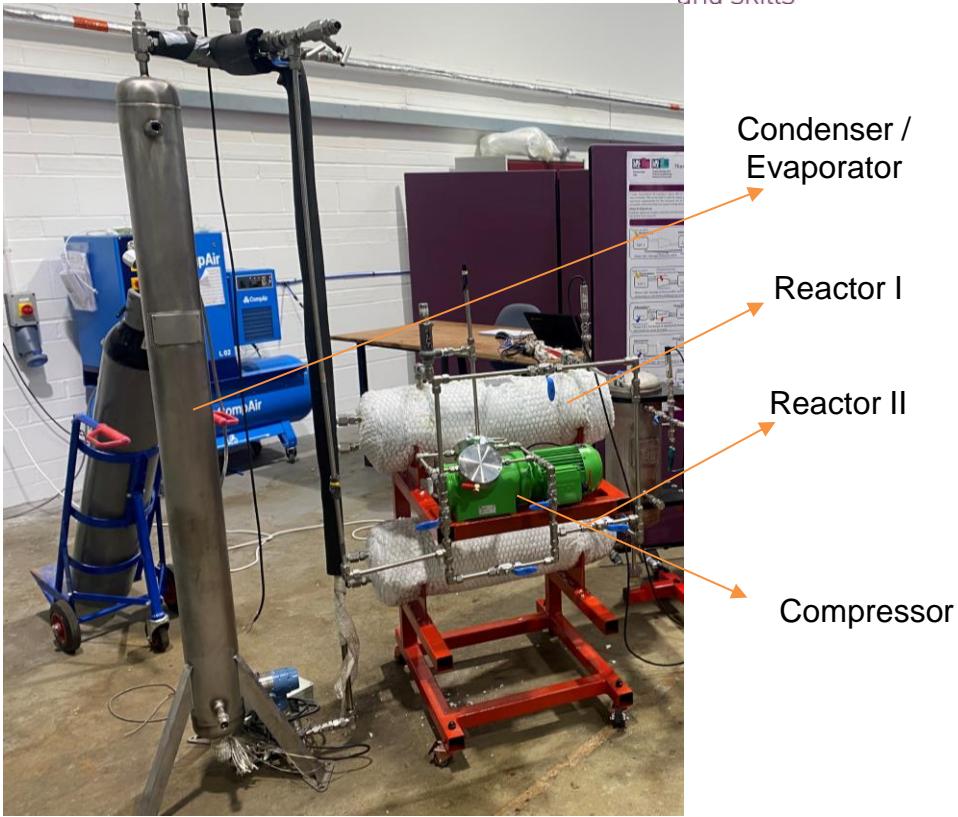
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Different insulation & heating demand

7. Experimental demonstration

- SrCl₂-NH₃ as working pair
- 2.5 kg active ammonia mass
- 1.8 kWh sorption heat storage capacity



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