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Path-dependent morphology of CH₄ hydrates and their dissociation studied with high-pressure microfluidics

Natural gas hydrates are abundant in nature as a potential energy resource and their impact on climate change and carbon cycling is substantial. In this study, a novel high-pressure (up to 20 MPa) microfluidic system with an image analysis technique was developed to directly visualize the phase change of CH₄ hydrate and the dynamic multiphase flow behaviour at pore scale. The method can be extended to applications of underground CO₂ sequestration and H₂ storage that contribute to carbon neutrality.

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