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Presentation Title	Thermochemical Production of Green and Grey hydrogen
Abstract (Approximately 200 words)	Hydrogen is a clean energy carrier needed to fuel long distance ground, water and air transportation, and for gradually replacing fossil fuels in industrial and heating applications. Currently hydrogen is produced mostly using methane-steam reforming and water-gas shift, with significant CO ₂ emissions. New technologies are emerging for thermochemical water splitting using methane with CO ₂ capture. Metal oxides used in these applications transport oxygen across an ion-conducting membrane, or between chemical-looping reactors, enabling the production of pure hydrogen and CO ₂ streams. We will review recent developments in these technologies at the materials, reactors and systems' levels, for the production of grey hydrogen. Solar thermochemical water splitting is considered as a viable alternative for the production of green hydrogen, although challenges remain. We will discuss recent developments that promise significant improvement in efficiency and economics at the reactor and system's scales. Interest in hydrogen carriers such as ammonia is growing, and applications of similar concepts to scale up the production of these fuels.
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