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Project Highlights

- Developing a novel continuous process for PEM fuel cell sealed CCM manufacture based on sequential deposition of key component layers – an "additive layer" CCM deposition process.
- Identification, assessment and integration of mature deposition techniques (already) employed in thin-film layered devices outside the fuel cells industry.
- Establishing the capability of the process for a step-change increase in manufacturing output by greater than 10 times compared to state-of-the-art continuous manufacturing.
- Validation of sealed CCMs in a stationary application fuel cell stack.
- Increased competitiveness of European fuel cell industry as a consequence of the project results.

Concept and Approach



Simplified process flow: a) State of the art sealed CCM with separate catalyst layer coating, lamination and seal addition processes,

b) Additive layer continuous sealed CCM manufacturing process.

Consortium Capabilities





Modular roll-to-roll laboratory system for additive material deposition techniques at TUC.



Modular roll-to-roll deposition production line microFLEX at Fraunhofer ENAS for industrial applications.

Project Outputs

- Identification, evaluation and down-selection of at least two mature deposition methodologies from other industries, for detailed process development, based on CCM component layer specifications and requirements.
- Development of an integrated additive layer deposited CCM capable of equivalent or superior fuel cell performance, meeting at least a power density 0.67 W/cm² and a degradation rate of <0.25 %/1000 h.
- Development of a comprehensive engineering design of a CCM manufacturing line incorporating the new deposition processes, with line speeds of at least 50 lm/min. This would actually provide a capacity for the CCM in the order of 10 GW/year, which although significantly in excess of the Topic target of over 50 MW/year, is entirely commensurate with the market prospects for the technology in the timeframe of 2025 and beyond.
- Validate the manufacturing capability of the new process by demonstrating state-of-the-art performance of CCMs in two PEMFC stack tests.