

Material Testing and Recommendations for H₂ Components under Fatigue (GA 303422)

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

- SP1-JTI-FCH.2011.2.8 Pre-normative research on design and testing requirements for metallic components exposed to H₂ enhanced fatigue
- October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2015
- Budget:

Total budget	2,492,937€
FCH JU contribution	1,296,279€



To provide recommendations and a methodology based on lab-scale experimental tests to design and assess the life of a pressure vessel taking into account fatigue loading under H₂ gas

- Stage of implementation 100%

PROJECT TARGETS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

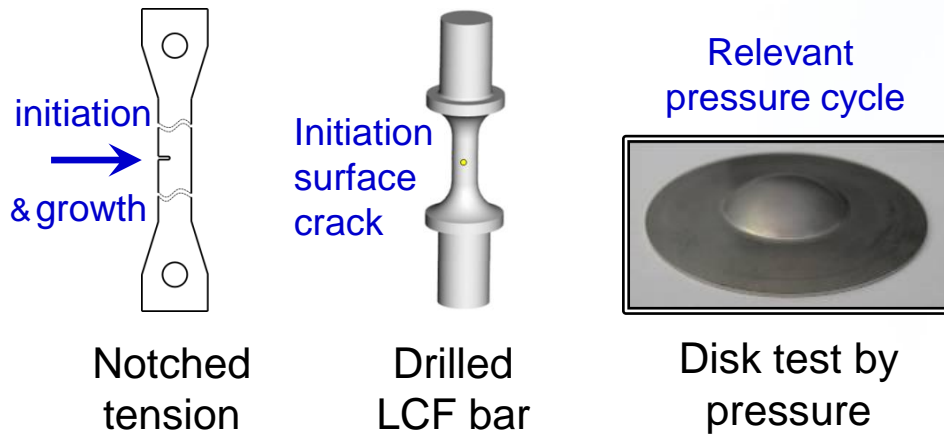
Programme objective/target	Project objective/target	Project achievements to-date	Expected final achievement
MAIP			
“...Removal of non-technical market barriers particularly through the development of RCS”	To propose a design methodology Recommendations for implementation in international standards.	100 % A methodology and recommendations have been presented to ISO/CD 19884 and to EN 13445-3	

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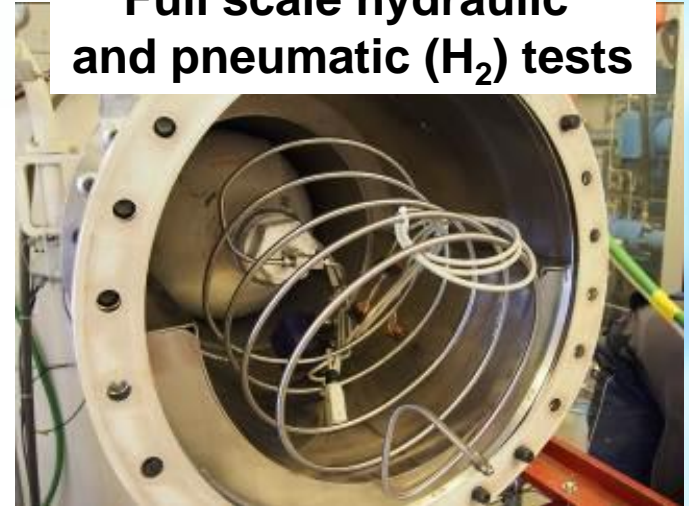
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AIP			
Design code for pressure equipment in hydrogen service	To provide recommendations to improve design standards or codes	100%	Recommendations on ISO/CD 19884 and on ASME KD10 article
Metallic material characterization for hydrogen service	Lab-scale tests developments	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three type of tests have been used • Data for only one material AISI 4130 • Results on FCI as well as on FCG
Experimental implementation of design approach and design testing approach	Development of methodology based on lab-scale tests	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A methodology have been proposed based on H₂ sensitivity factor (HSF) • 2 test methods are proposed to evaluate this HSF

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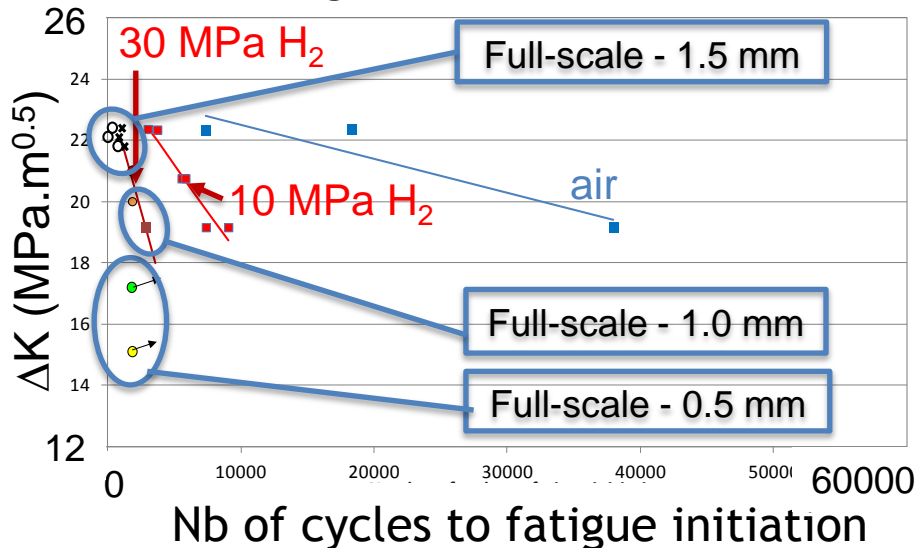
Lab-scale tests



Full scale hydraulic and pneumatic (H₂) tests



Fatigue Crack initiation



- $N_i \searrow$ when $P_{\text{H}_2} \nearrow$
- $N_i \searrow$ when $\Delta K \nearrow$

Hydrogen sensitivity factor

Deep notches / loading
 $P \sim 30 \text{ MPa}$
} $\alpha_{\text{H}_2} \sim 12$

$\alpha_{\text{H}_2} \leq 12$ for less severe conditions

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Use of Fracture Mechanics

Based on a
H₂ sensitivity factor (HSF)

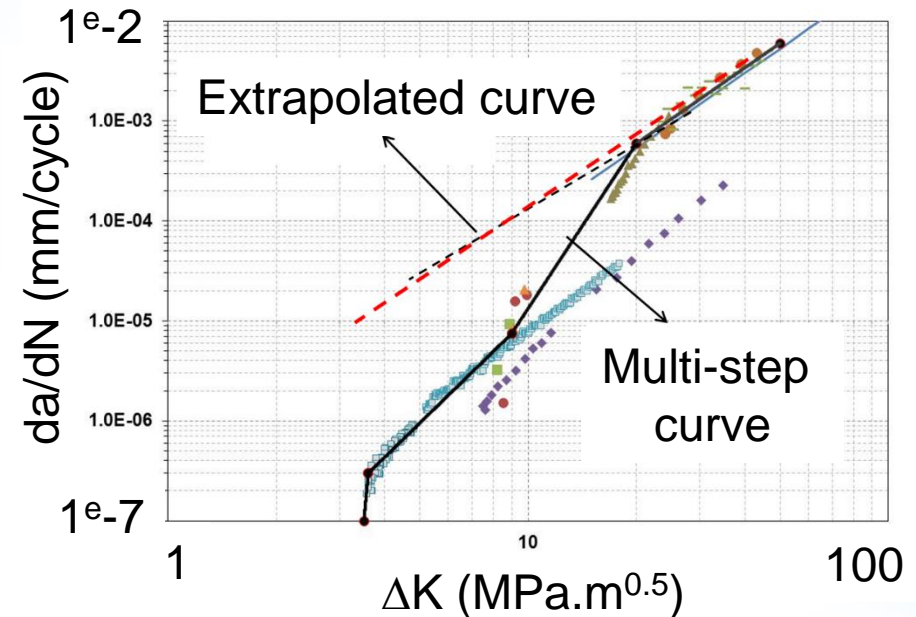
How to define HSF?
From lab scale tests

- Disc tests
- SENT (SENB)

How to use HSF ?

Full scale
hydraulic tests

ISO TC197 / WG15



**Extrapolation of FCG (ASME KD10)
at low ΔK , replaced by a
multistep FCG law**

RISKS AND MITIGATION

The obtained results should still be checked and updated for the following cases:

- High H₂ pressure
- Low ΔK
- R effect
- Data base for other materials

SYNERGIES WITH OTHER PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

- Several partners involved in the following projects : *HyComp, HyIndoor, HyTransfer* dedicated to Hydrogen structural integrities or Prenormative research
- Two letters of interest from Sandia National Laboratory (USA) and Hydrogenius (Japan)
- Prof Murakami (Hydrogenius) and Somerday (SNL) attended technical meeting
- Mathryce invited in forums and workshops organised by SNL and Hydrogenius
- SNL and Hydrogenius experts invited to Mathryce workshop
- SNL is performing Crack Initiation tests at 1000 bar H₂

HORIZONTAL ACTIVITIES

- Several partners are involved in RCS working groups. In particular, ISO/TC 58/ WG 7 dedicated to *Gas cylinders - Compatibility between gases and materials*
- 2 Workshops organised by the project
- Recommendations and methodology presented to CEN and ISO experts
- Recommendations and methodology presented during an ISO/TC197 WG15 meeting

DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES

H ₂ testing workshop	USA	04/13	Testing device under H ₂
H ₂ design code workshop	USA	07/14	Mathryce approach for RTD
Materials Qualification for H ₂	USA	07/15	Testing and fatigue assessment
1st Mathryce Workshop	Paris	Sept 18, 2015	H ₂ enhanced Fatigue
2nd Mathryce workshop	Paris	Sept 21, 2015	Recommendations (ISO, CEN)
Int. H ₂ forum	Japan	2013-2015	Mathryce project
ICHS 2013	Belgium	2013	Mathryce project
Steel & Hydrogen 2014	Belgium	2014	Fatigue experimental dvpts
ASME PVP 2014	USA	2014	H ₂ enhanced fatigue
HY-Storage, Embrittlement, Applications	Brazil	2014	- H ₂ enhanced fatigue - Comparison of existing standards
ASME PVP 2015	USA	2015	Fatigue and full scale tests under H ₂

Briottet L. et al., *Fatigue crack initiation and growth in a CrMo steel under hydrogen pressure*, Int. J. of Hydrogen Energy, 2015, in Press.

EXPLOITATION PLAN/EXPECTED IMPACT

- Increase of knowledge on metal/hydrogen/fatigue interactions, including **fatigue crack initiation**.
 - **Experimental developments** to address hydrogen enhanced fatigue.
 - A **design code** dedicated to pressure vessel design including rules for **hydrogen enhanced fatigue** is necessary to **ensure safety** and **facilitate competitive development** of dedicated infrastructures.
Particular concern: H₂ buffer vessels ($p \geq 850$ bar, public access)
 - **Cross-cutting:**
 - After presentation to ISO TC197 WG15 → some recommendations may be included in the current standard draft
 - Need for additional data at low ΔK , at high P
 - Need for additional work to improve FCI characterization under H₂
- Common interest with USA and Japan