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报告人
Lecturer

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报告题目
Theme

**Abiotic and biotic reactions during
underground hydrogen storage in porous
media**

报告时间
Time

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报告地点
Spot

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报告简介

Underground hydrogen storage (UHS) in porous rocks is a promising solution for large-scale energy buffering, but hydrogen's strong reactivity with minerals and microorganisms introduces uncertainties for reservoir performance and safety. This seminar highlights recent experimental advances that clarify both abiotic geochemical and biotic microbial processes relevant to UHS. High-pressure, high-temperature batch experiments on reservoir rocks (>100 bar H_2 , 100 °C, >4 weeks) were designed to distinguish hydrogen-induced effects from natural fluid-rock interactions. While hematite showed no measurable reduction, observed petrophysical changes in Buntsandstein were mainly driven by anhydrite dissolution unrelated to hydrogen. In contrast, pyrite-bearing Greensand exhibited clear hydrogen reactivity, supported by microstructural changes, Raman spectroscopy, gas analyses, and magnetic susceptibility, though no crystalline pyrrhotite formed. Overall, hydrogen exposure did not degrade permeability or porosity. This study also addresses microbial hydrogen consumption, a major barrier to UHS. We introduce real-rock micromodels that capture natural mineralogy and grain-surface features, enabling pore-scale visualization of microbial colonization and biofilm impacts on flow. Early results show strong links between mineral surfaces, microbial distribution, and gas consumption. Within the ongoing EU HyDRA project, these approaches are expanded to reservoir microbial communities to improve risk assessments and mitigation strategies for safe UHS deployment.





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Chaojie Cheng is a senior researcher and group leader in the Structural Geology Department at the Institute of Applied Geosciences, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT). His research focuses on fluid flow in fractured porous media, fluid-microbe-rock interactions, and experimental rock mechanics, with applications in underground hydrogen/CO₂ storage, geothermal energy, and sustainable subsurface engineering. He leads the Coupled THMC-B

Research Group, combining microfluidics, core-scale experiments, and reactive-transport analyses to better understand long-term reservoir behavior. Dr. Cheng earned his Dr. rer. nat. in Hydrogeology from the GFZ Helmholtz Center for Geosciences and the University of Potsdam in 2021, and holds an MSc in Geotechnical Engineering and a BSc in Engineering Geology from the China University of Geosciences. His professional career includes positions at KIT and GFZ, where he contributed to or led major EU and national projects on underground hydrogen storage (EU HyDRA), CO₂ sequestration (CO₂ cycle), and geothermal exploitation (EU MEET). He has published scientific papers in journals such as *JGR-SE*, *GRL*, *Solid Earth*, *RMRE*, and *IJHE*, and has served as a reviewer for multiple scientific journals and as a convenor for InterPore, CouFrac, and DGGV (The German Geological Society) annual conferences.

