

Crack formation during filtration and new method improve dewatering in case of Vietnam fine coal



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1. Cuaong coal washing technology and motivation

2. Method, equipments, and relevance parameters

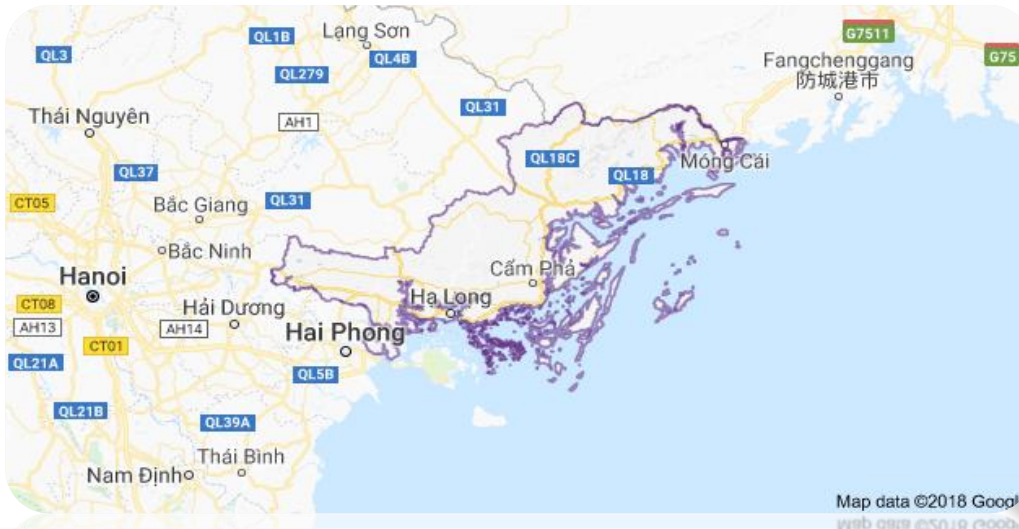
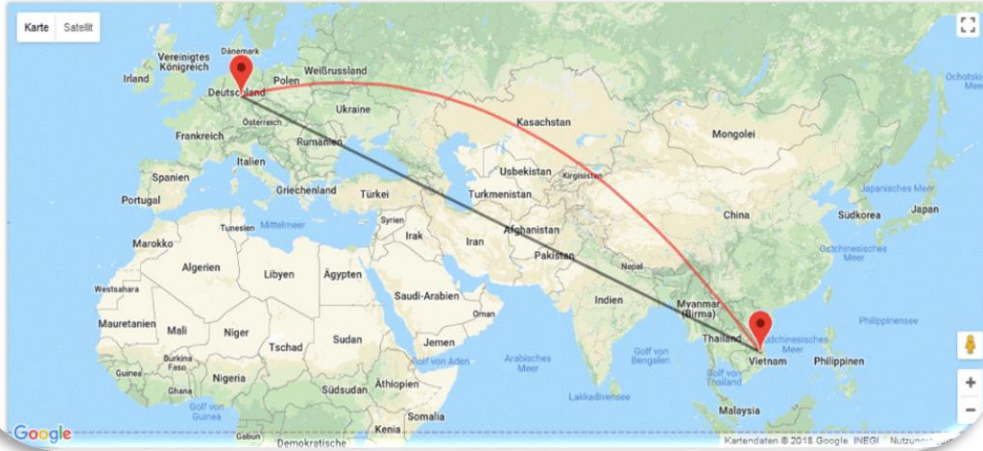
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Distance from Germany to Vietnam

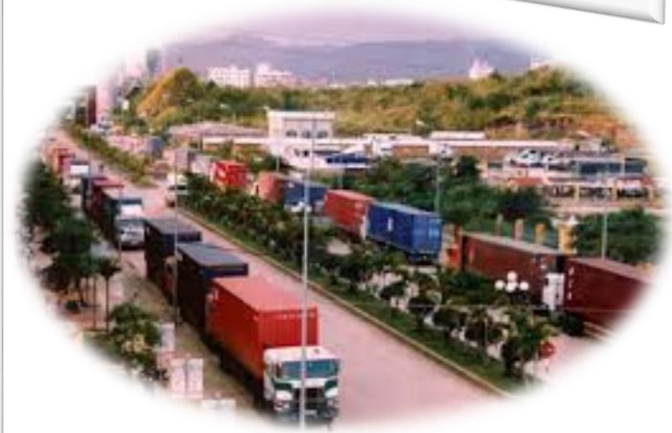
Distance from Germany to Vietnam is 9,339 kilometers. This air travel distance is equal to 5,803 miles.



Source: Google map

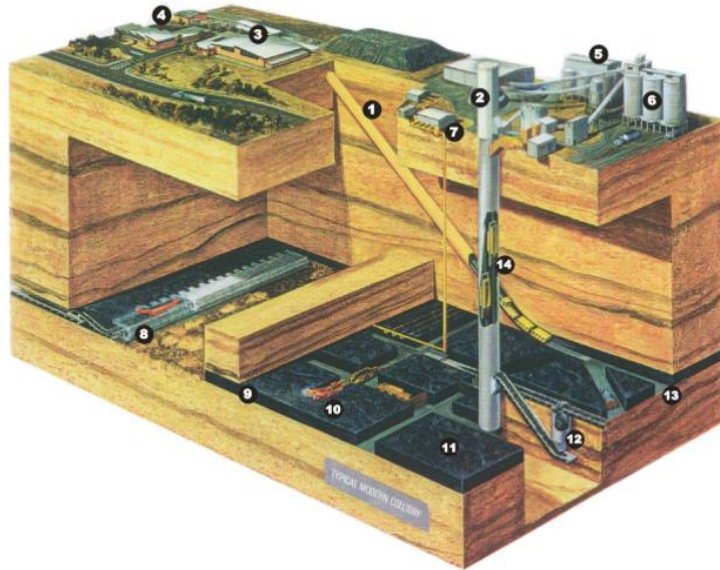
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Tourism, coal industry and export, import trade activities



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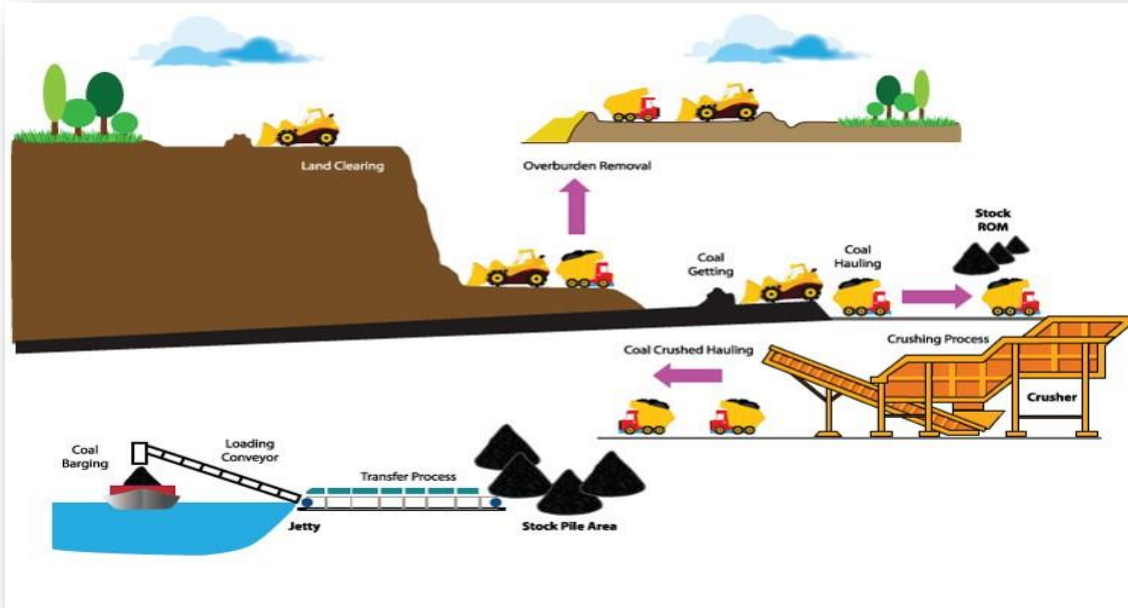


1. Drift (rail)
2. Ventilation fan
3. Pit top
4. Offices
5. CHPP
6. Coal load out bins
7. Mine services
8. Longwall face
9. Coal seam
10. Development section
11. Coal pillar
12. Underground bin
13. Pit bottom
14. Shaft (elevator)



Underground Mining
- 350 m deep

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Surface Mining

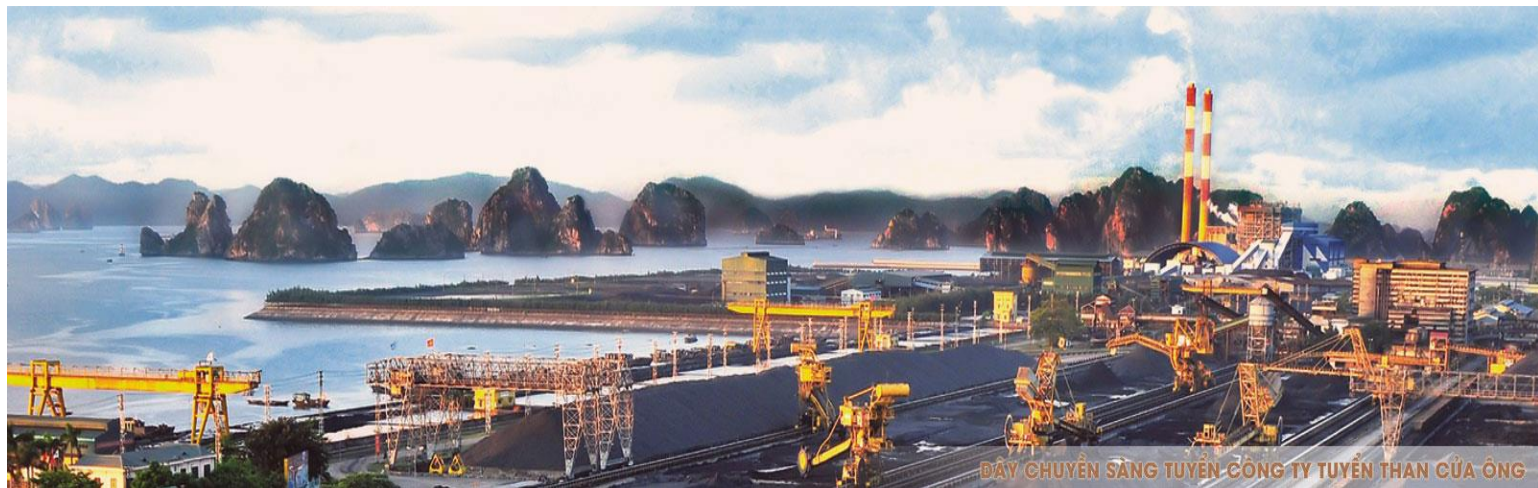
Striping ratio: 10.4



1. Cuaong coal washing technology and motivation

Cuaong coal washing plant is established in 1924 in Quang ninh province, Vietnam.

A biggest plant in Vietnam with average capacity up to 12 million ton coal ROM, which are from almost coal mining company

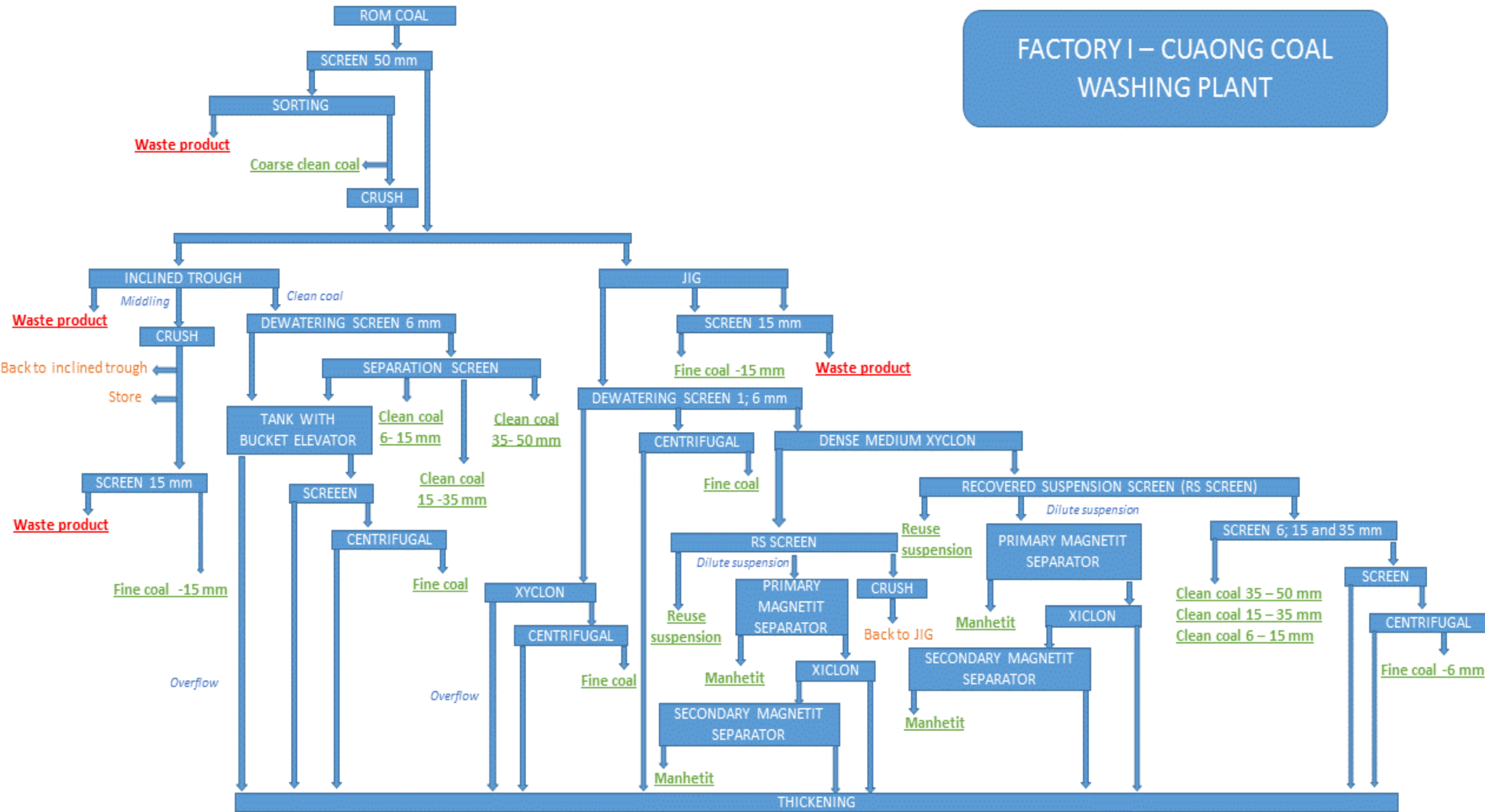


Playing importance role in Vietnam coal industry including logistic, production, processing and product consumption...

Having many modern equipments with advance technologies on the world from Germany, Australia, Japan, Poland and China

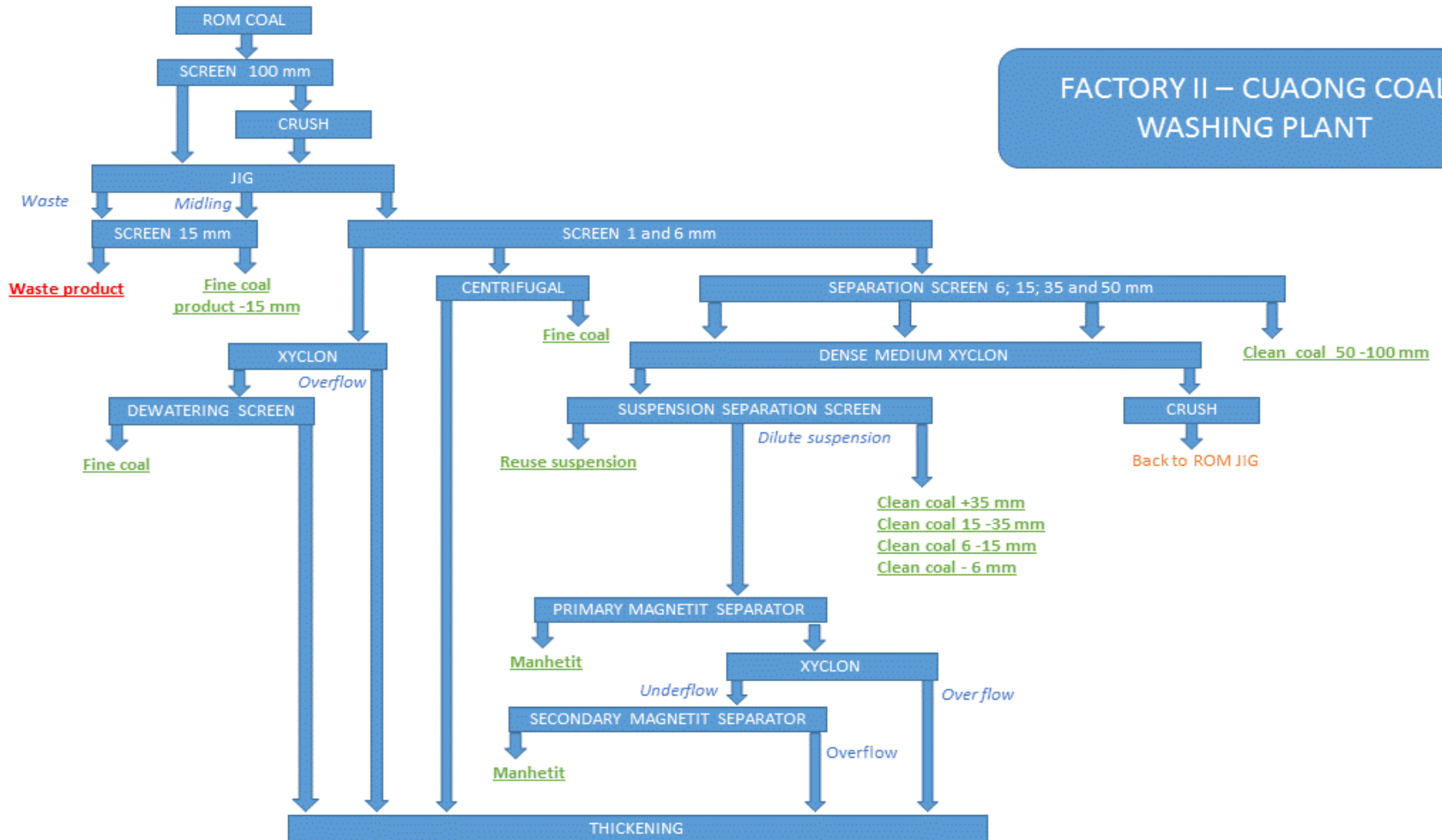
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FACTORY I – CUAONG COAL WASHING PLANT



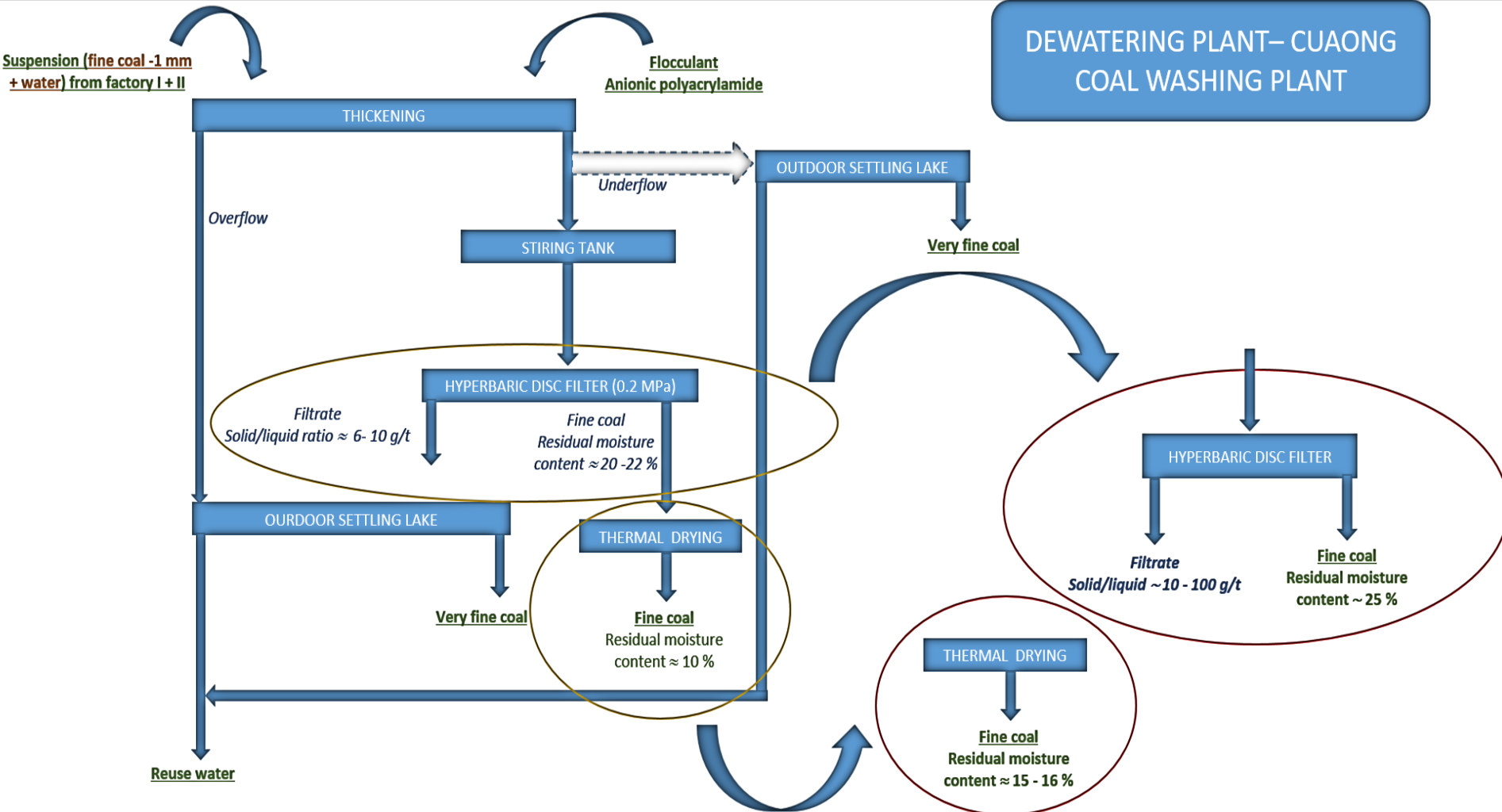
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FACTORY II – CUAONG COAL WASHING PLANT



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DEWATERING PLANT – CUAONG COAL WASHING PLANT



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Fine coal (<1 mm) after washing which is dewatered by hyperbaric pressure filter and thermal drying.

The residual moisture content of fine coal after filtration is usually 20-22% (sometime up to 25%) and the amount of remaining water in fine coal after drying is 10% (sometime up to 15-16 %).

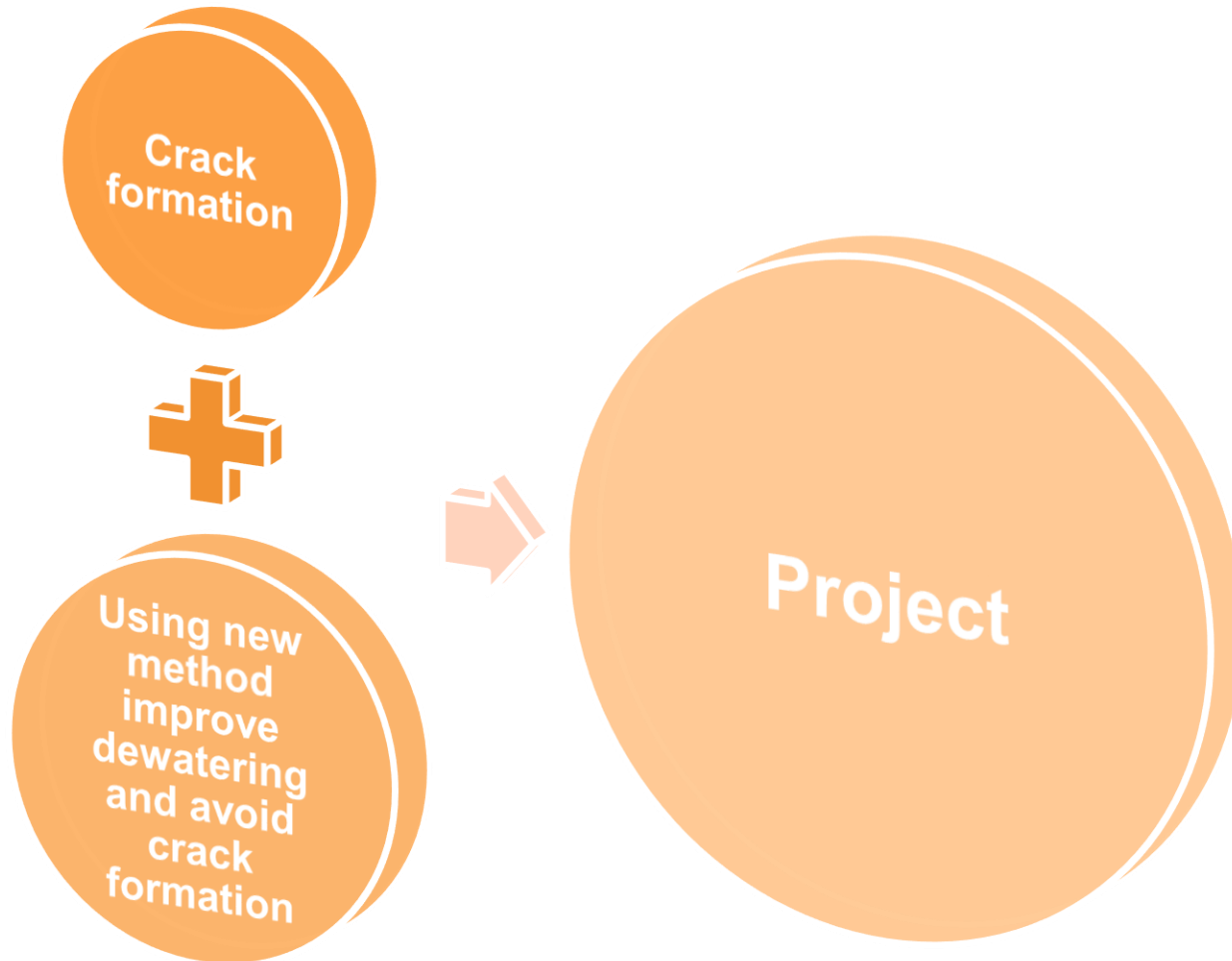
However, on Vietnam standard, the average moisture content is 8% for commercial fine coal

This problem leads to:

- + Water in the filter cake can not be recycled → Increasing of production costs
- + Increasing of the transport costs
- + Reduce the product value
- + Difficult to mixing with other kind of coal
- + Difficult in store → Affect on the environment

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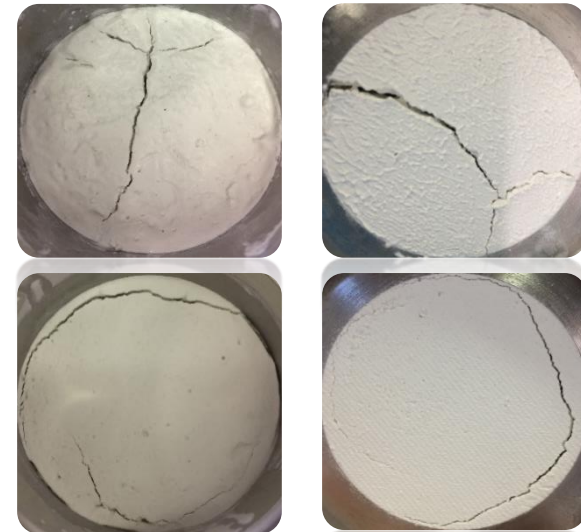
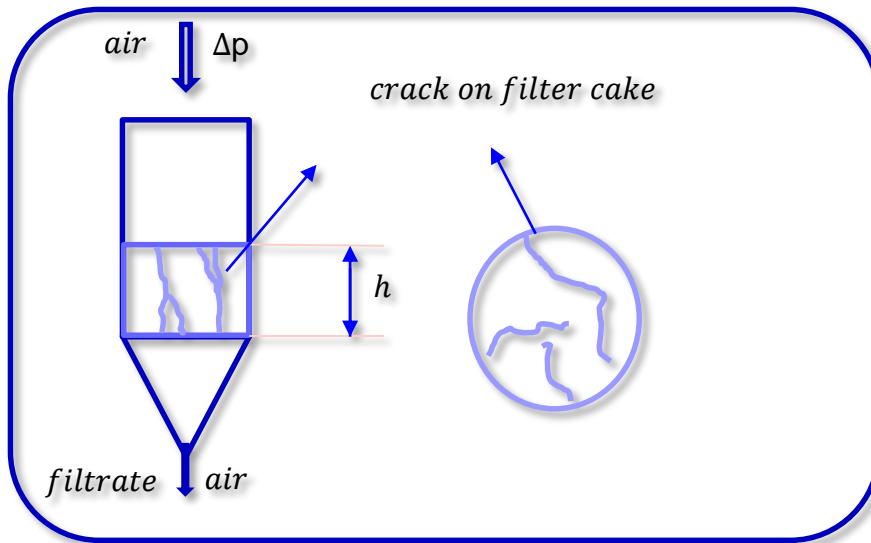
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Crack formation

The crack is formed during filtration and washing process and is the undesired phenomenon

This phenomenon lead to:

- Higher gas/water washing consumption/ A decrease in filtration pressure
- **Higher residual moisture content**, the filtrate is less purity

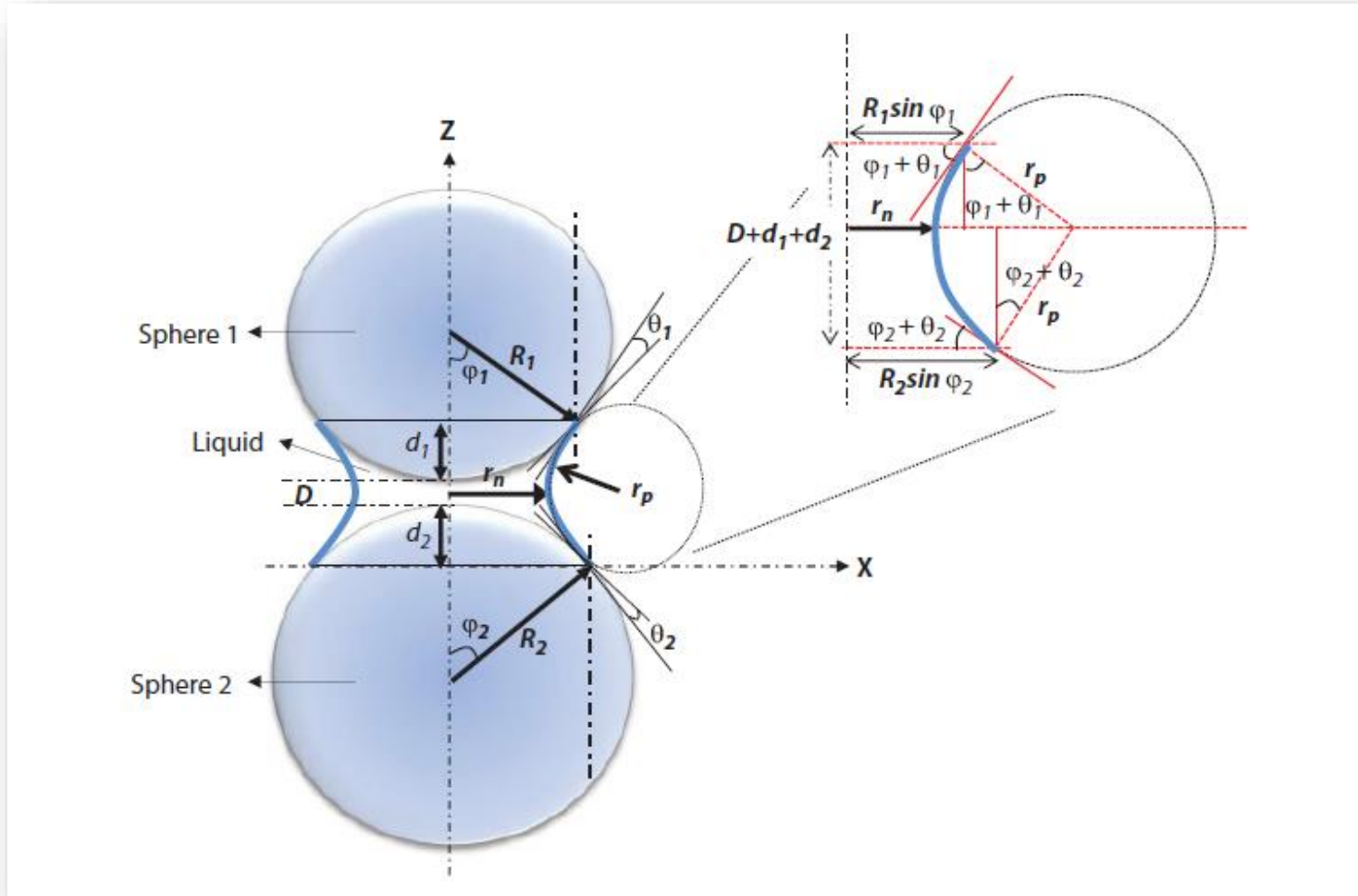


⇒ **Objective:** Investigate the effect of factors on crack formation of filter cake, quantification of cracks and methods to avoid cracks.

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Crack formation because of stresses generated by capillary force

The formation of crack is generally caused by the shrinkage of the filter cake, which is a result of the action of capillary force (Wiedemann and Stahl 1996)



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Crack formation because of stresses generated by capillary force

Total capillary force between two spheres linked by liquid bridge:

$$F_{cp} = A_{xy} \gamma_l \left(\frac{1}{r_p} + \frac{1}{r_n} \right) = \pi r_c^2 \gamma_l \left(\frac{\cos(\theta_1 + \varphi_1) + \cos(\theta_2 + \varphi_2)}{D + d_1 + d_2} + \frac{1}{r_n} \right)$$

For large spheres (R_1 and $R_2 \gg \gg D$ and R_1 and $R_2 \gg \gg d$):

$$F_{cp}^{R_1, R_2 \gg D, R_1, R_2 \gg d} = \pi r_c^2 \gamma_l \left(\frac{\cos(\theta_1) + \cos(\theta_2)}{D + d_1 + d_2} \right)$$

If both spheres are identical:

$$F_{cp}^{R \gg D, R \gg d} = \frac{2\pi R \gamma_l \cos(\theta)}{1 + D/2d}$$

Stephen Beaudoin¹, P. J., Aaron Harrison¹, Jennifer Laster¹, and M. S. Kathryn Smith¹, and Myles Thomas¹ "Fundamental Forces in Particle Adhesion." (Particle adhesion and removal).

2. Equipments and relevance parameters

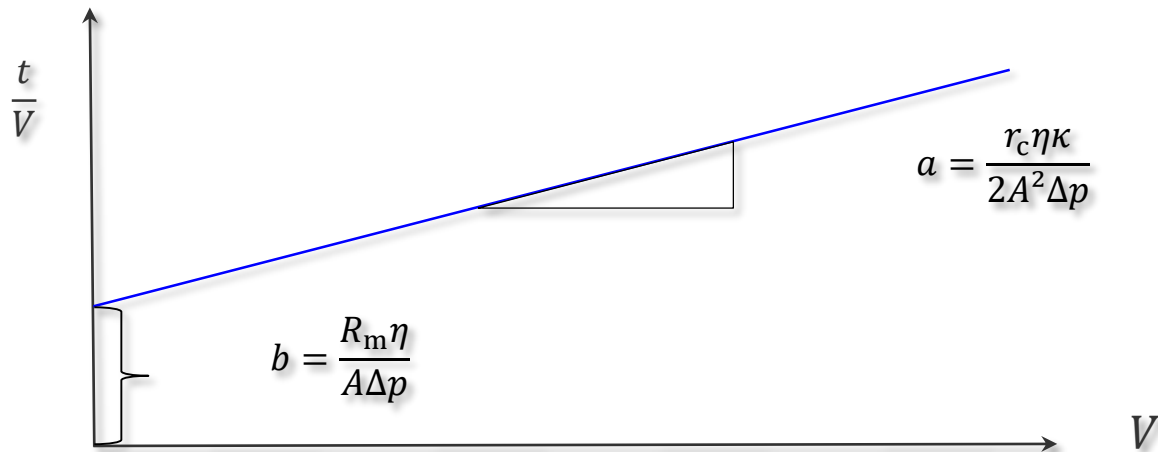
$$\text{Permeability ratio } \beta = \frac{K_G}{K_L} = r_c * K_G$$

$$K_L = \frac{1}{r_c}$$

$$K_G = \frac{2(p * \dot{V})_t * \eta_G * h}{A * (p_1^2 - p_2^2)}$$

$$r_c = \frac{a \cdot 2 \cdot \Delta p \cdot A^2}{\eta_L \cdot \kappa}$$

[Wyckoff et al]



[Darcy]

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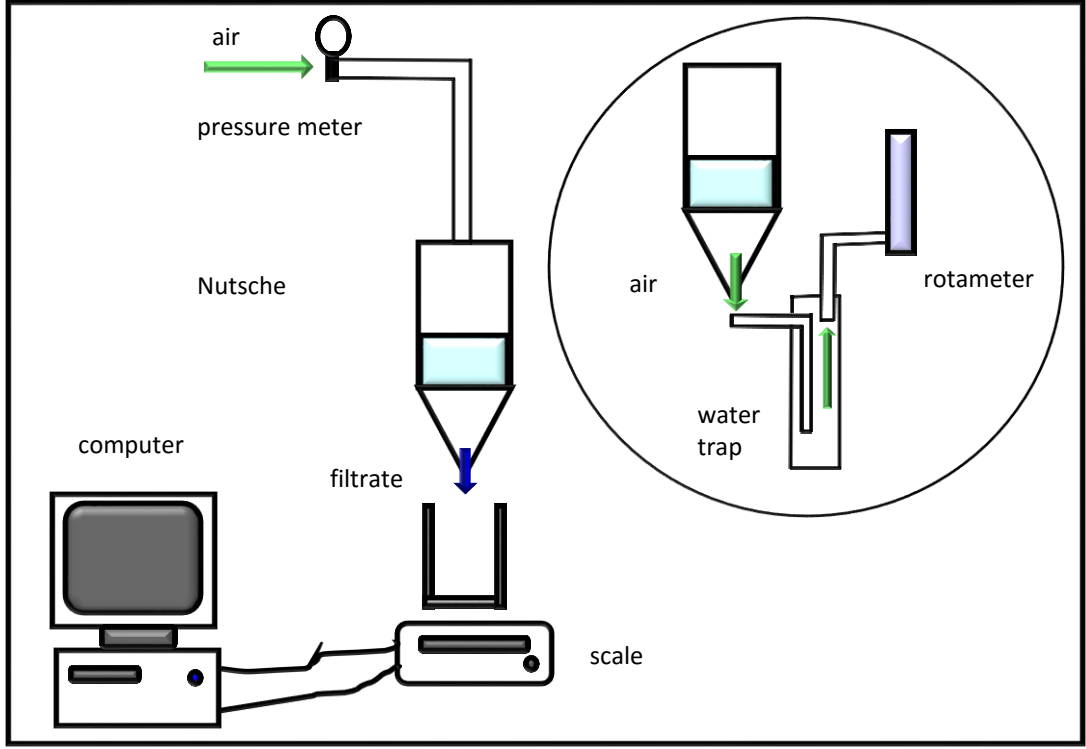
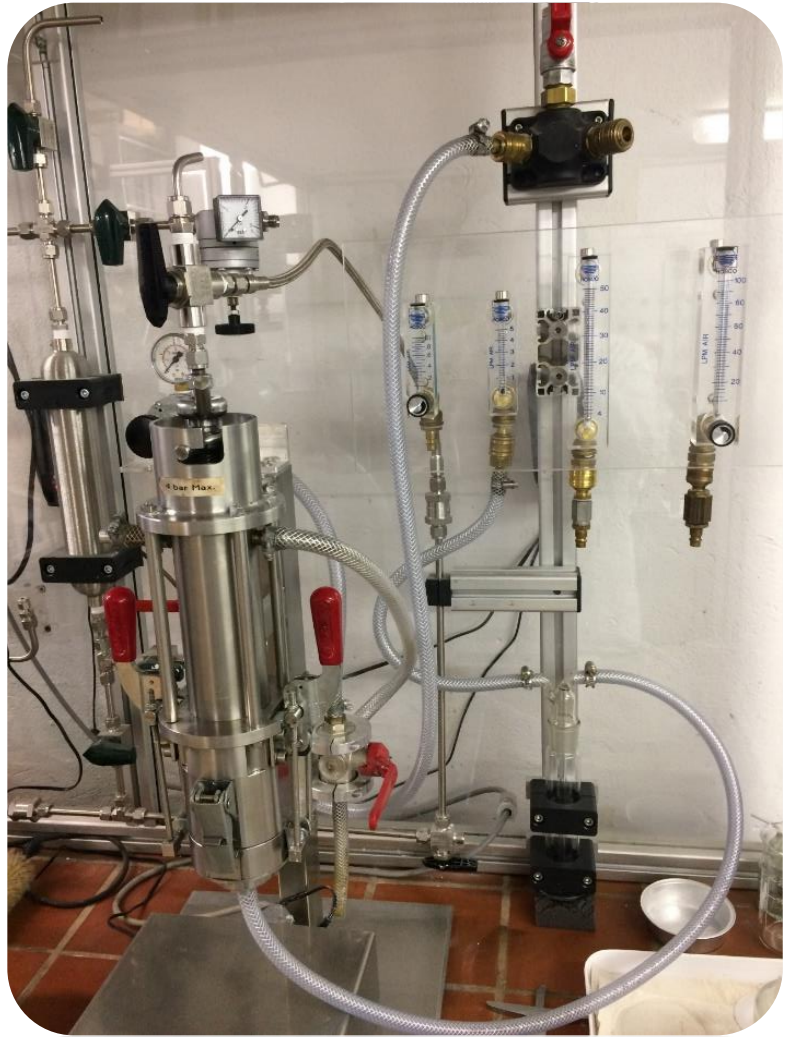
$$\text{Porosity } \varepsilon = \frac{V_{pore}}{V_{total}} = \frac{h.A - m_{solid}/\rho_{solid}}{h.A}$$

$$\text{Saturation } S = \frac{V_{remaining\ liquid\ in\ filter\ cake}}{V_{pore}} = \frac{V_{remaining\ liquid\ in\ filter\ cake}}{\varepsilon.h.A}$$

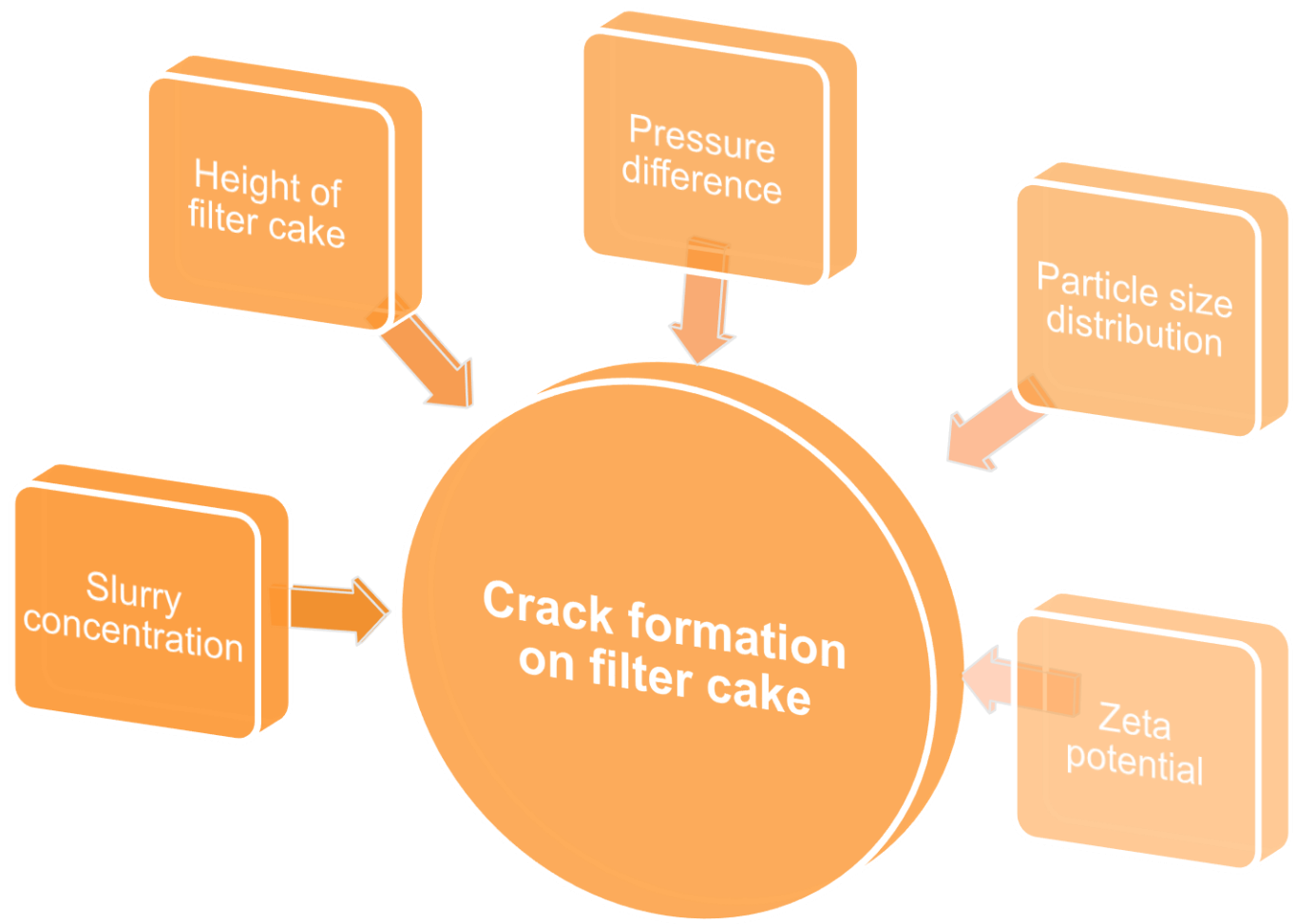
$$\text{Specific resistance cake } r_c = \frac{a.2.\Delta p.A^2}{\eta_L.\kappa} \text{ (m/kg)}$$

$$\text{Residual moisture content } M = \frac{m_{liquid}}{m_{wet\ in\ filter\ cake}} * 100\%$$

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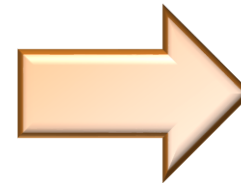
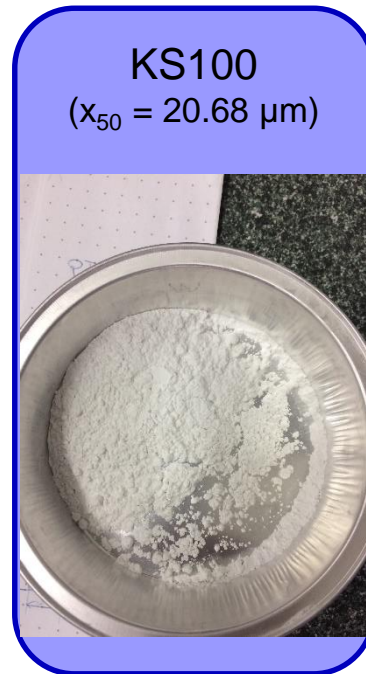


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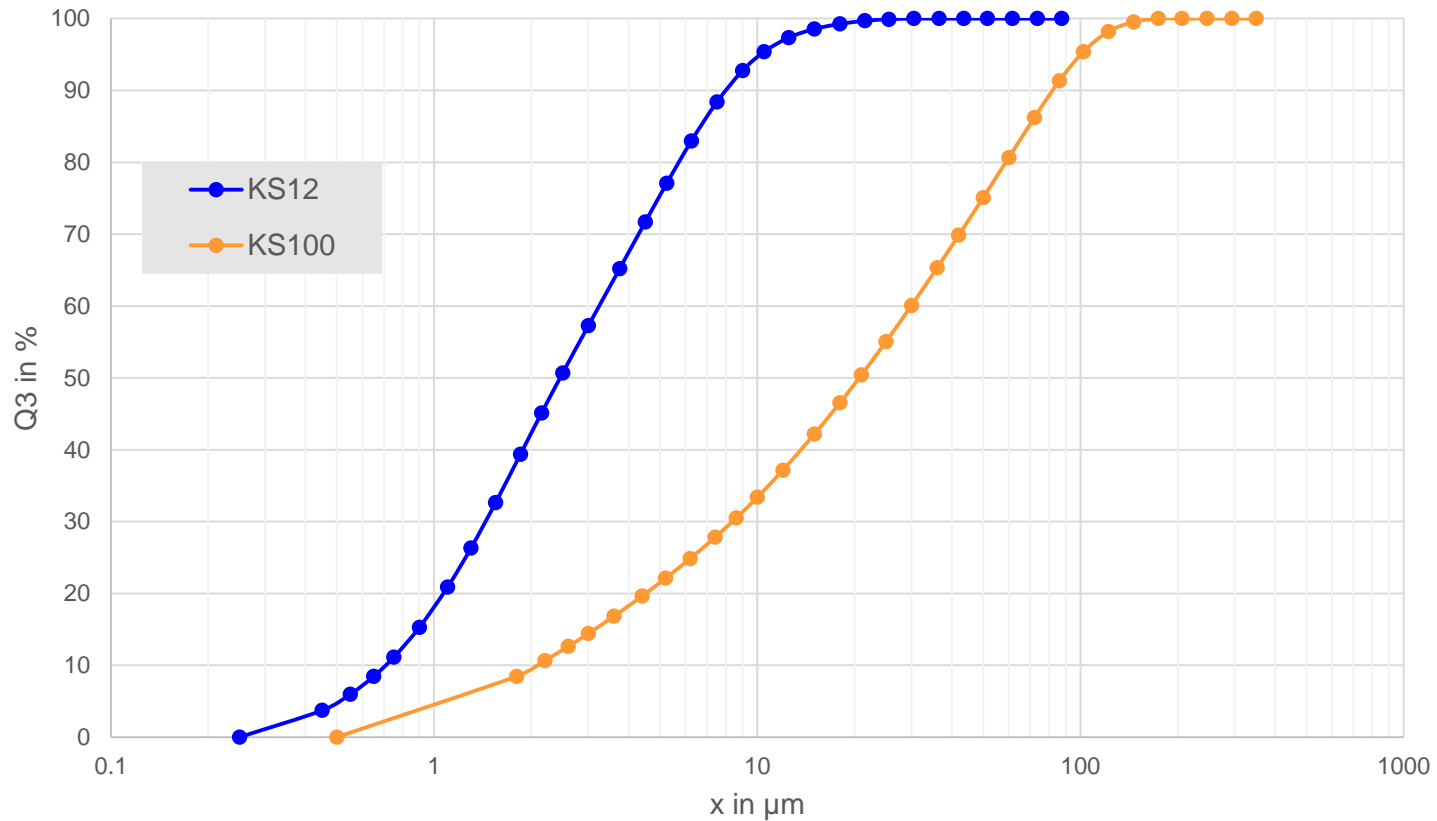


During early stage, limestone is used to replace Vietnam coal because of some purposes:

- ✓ Making acquaintance with lab equipment, tests...
- ✓ Understanding more crack formation mechanism, dewatering mechanism and reduction capability of degree of crack using steam pressure filtration



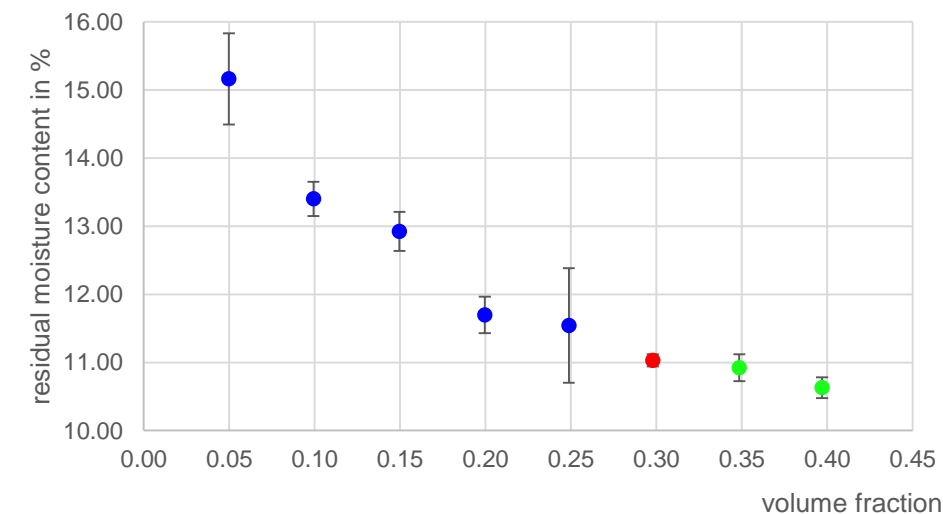
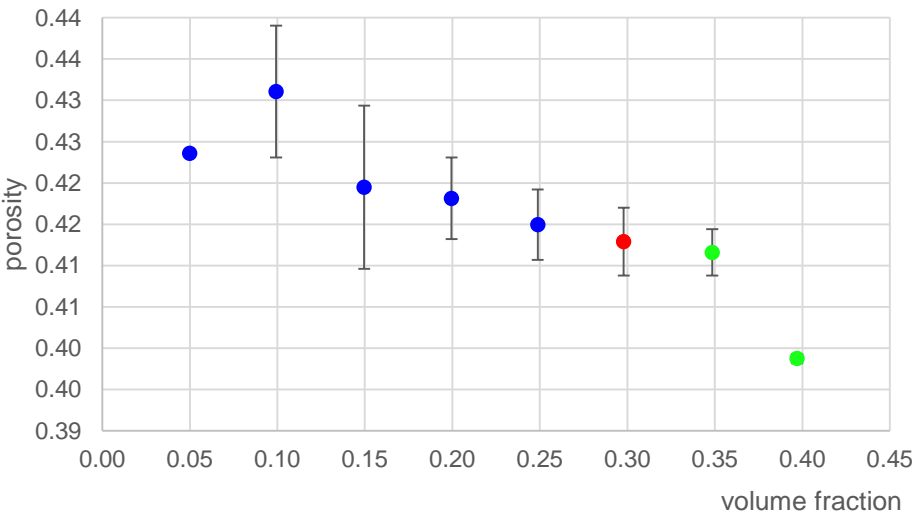
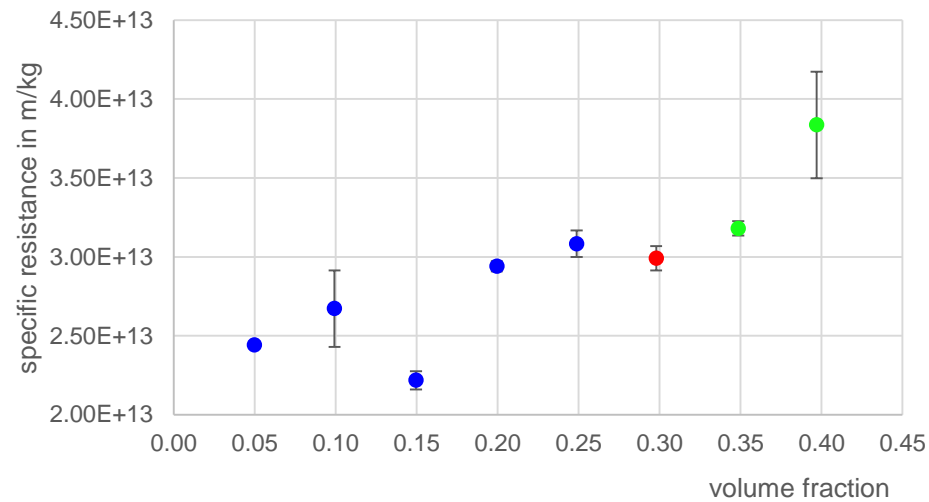
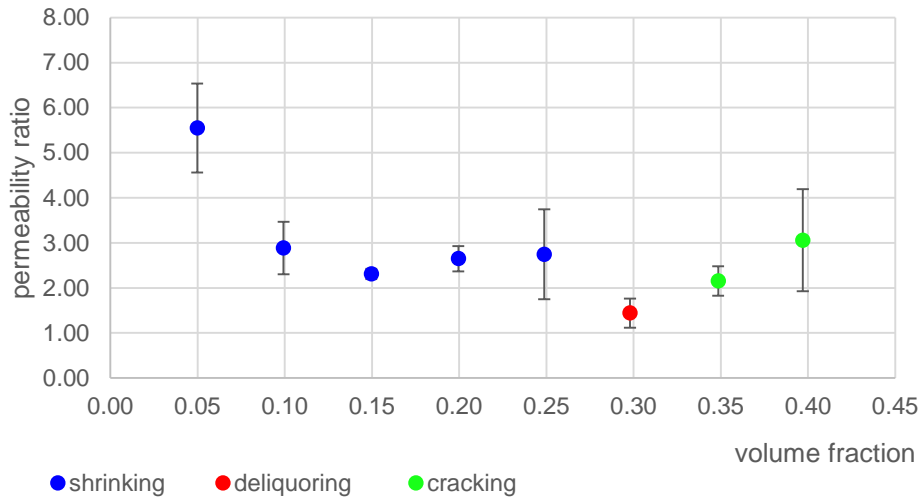
3. Results and discussion with limestone



	X_{16}	X_{10}	X_{50}	X_{90}/X_{10}	X_{90}	$(X_{90}-X_{10})/X_{50}$
KS 12	0.93	0.71	2.46	11.34	8.05	2.98
KS100	3.39	2.08	20.68	39.61	82.38	3.88

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Effect of volume fraction on crack formation for KS100



Effect of volume fraction on crack formation for KS100



$C_v = 0.1$



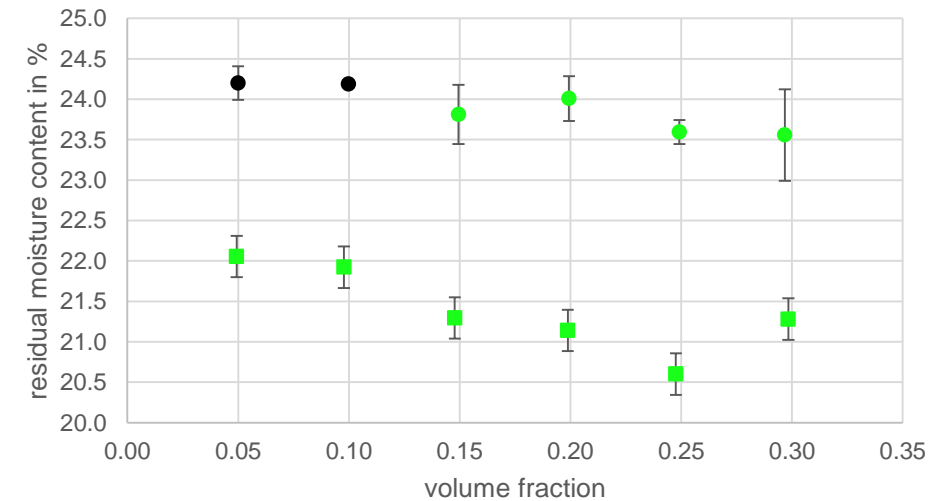
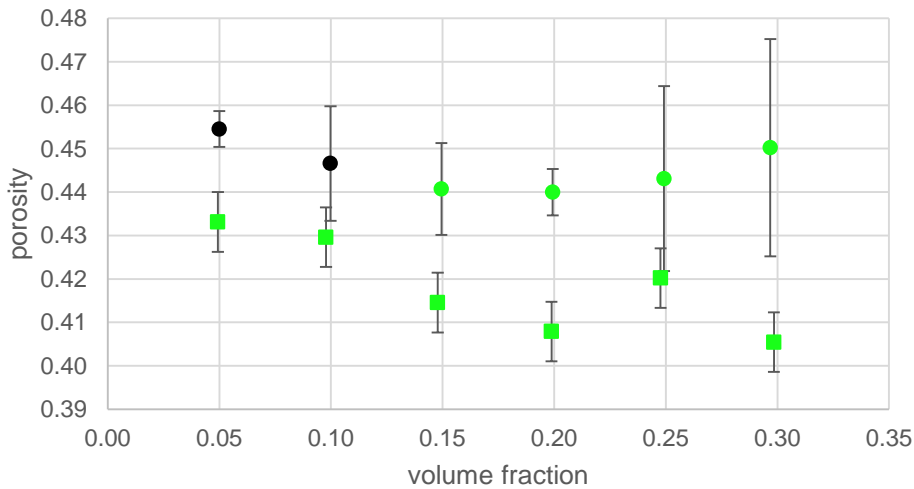
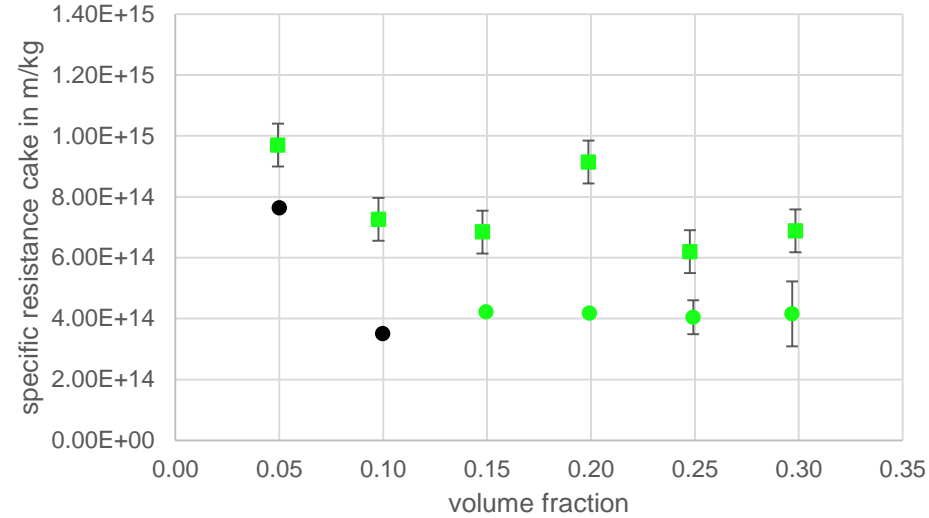
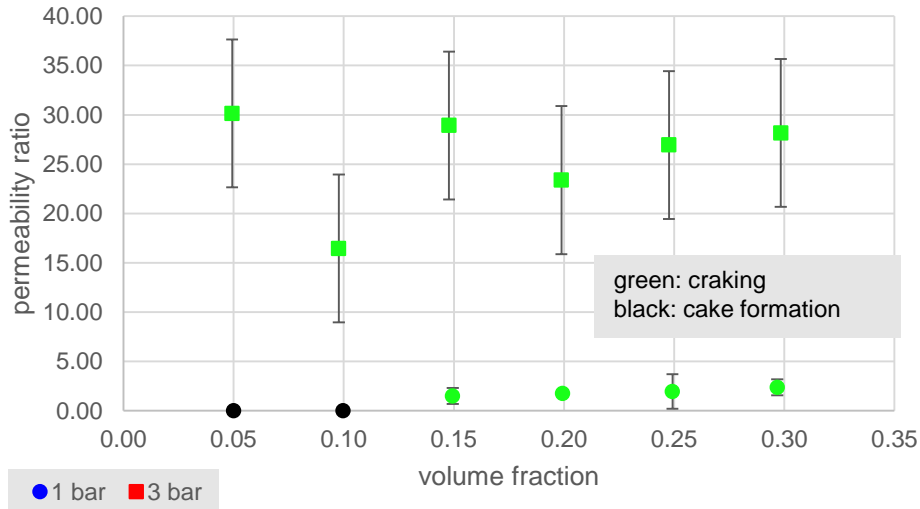
$C_v = 0.3$



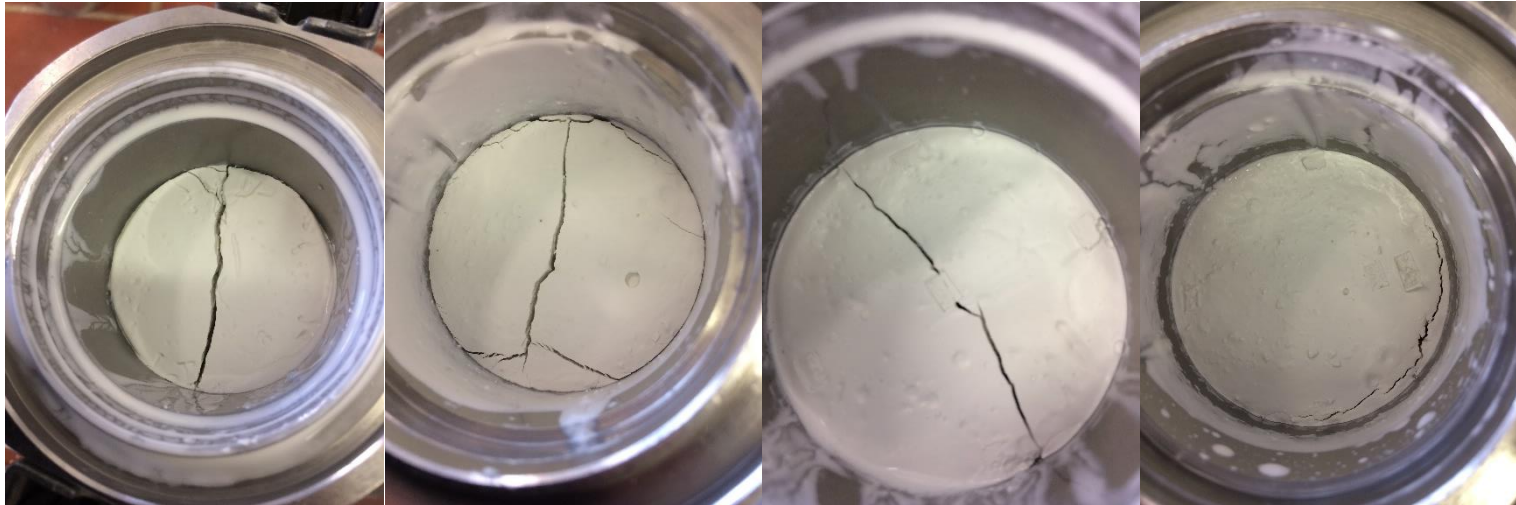
$C_v = 0.35$

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Effect of volume fraction on crack formation for KS12



Effect of volume fraction on crack formation for KS12



$C_v = 0.15$
 $\Delta P = 3 \text{ bar}$

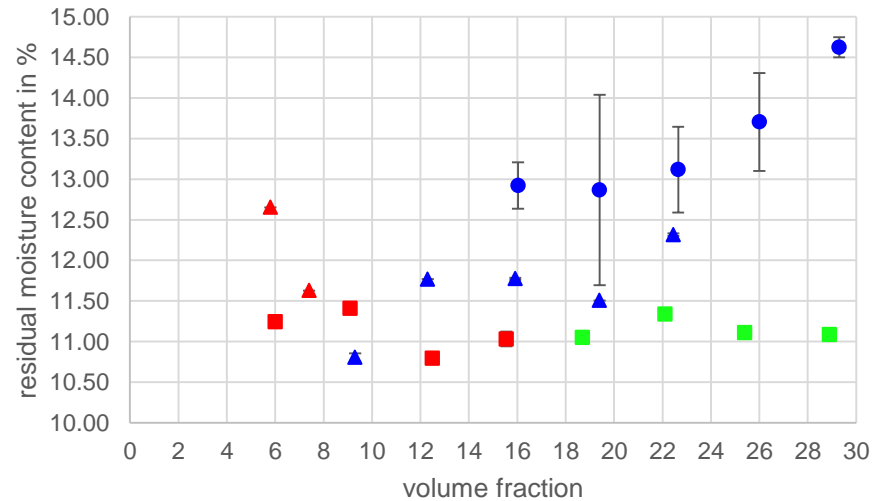
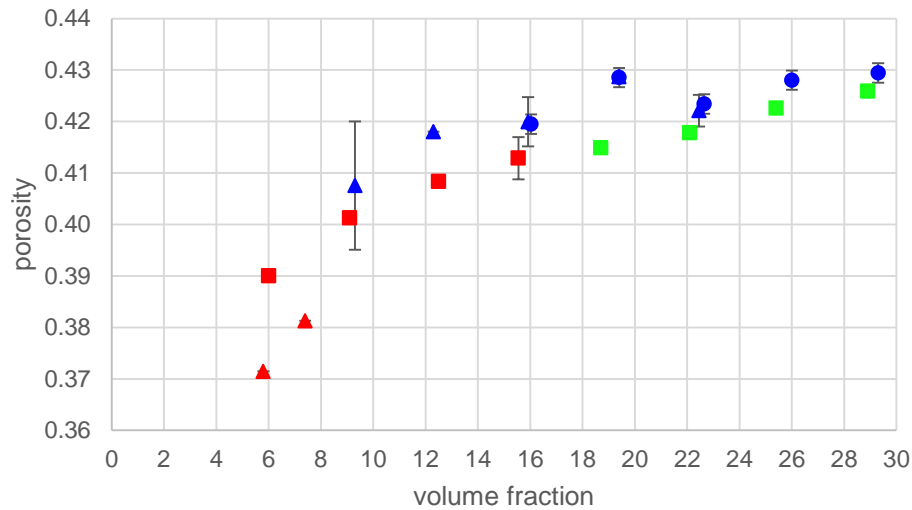
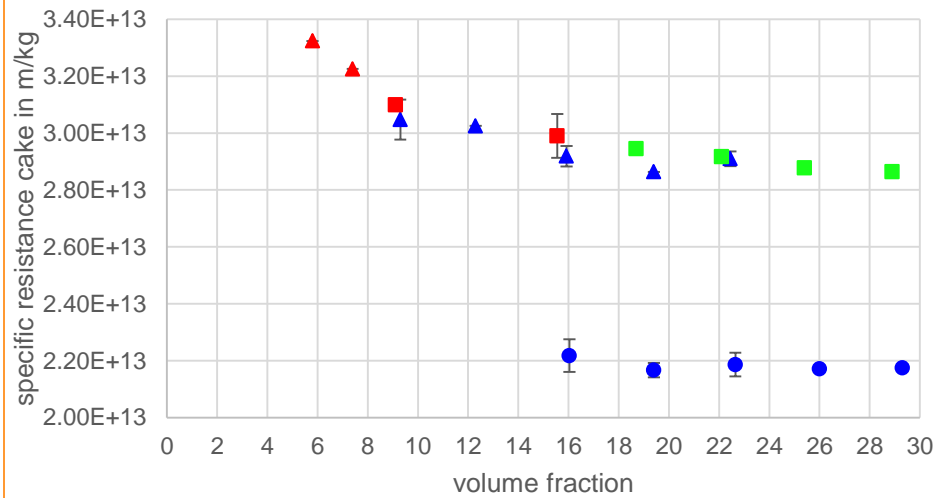
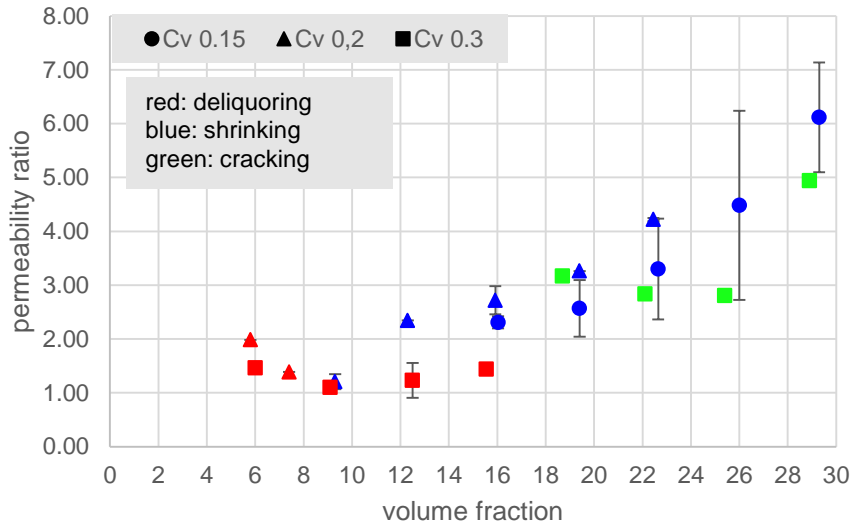
$C_v = 0.3$
 $\Delta P = 3 \text{ bar}$

$C_v = 0.15$
 $\Delta P = 1 \text{ bar}$

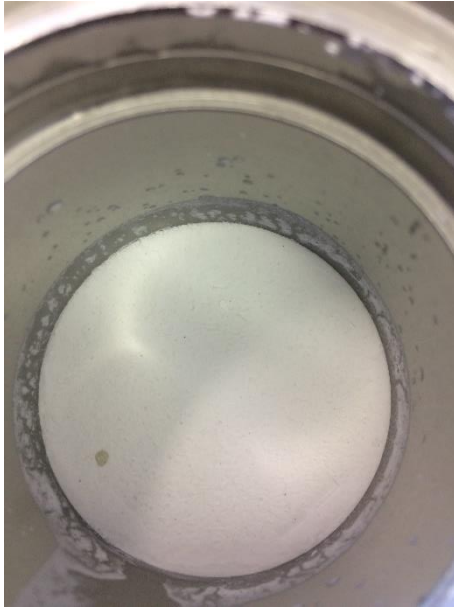
$C_v = 0.3$
 $\Delta P = 1 \text{ bar}$

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Effect of height of filter cake on crack formation for KS100



Effect of height of filter cake on crack formation for KS100



H = 6 mm



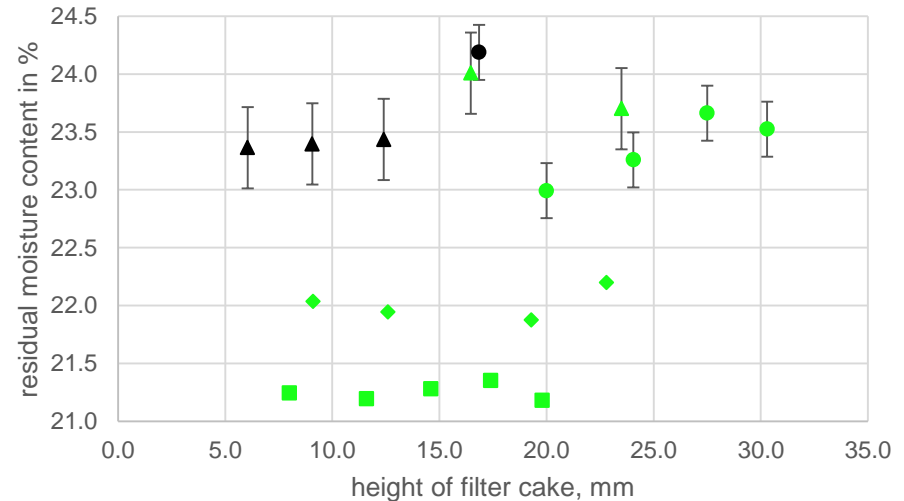
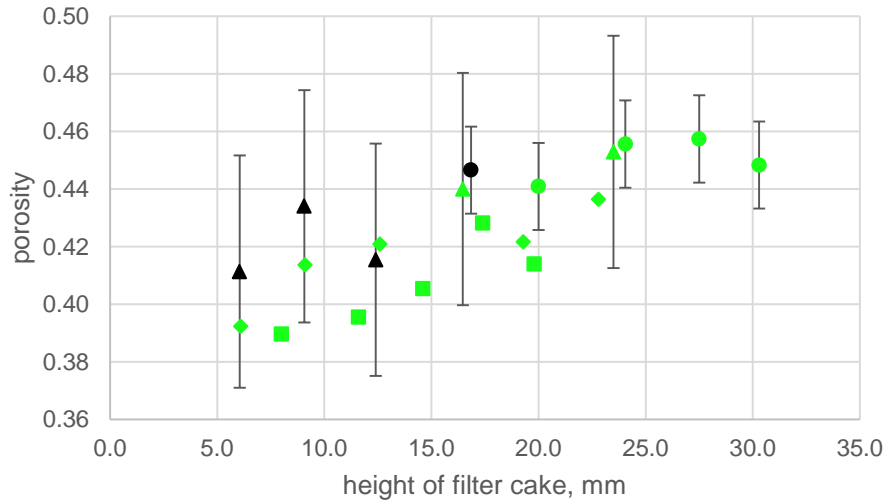
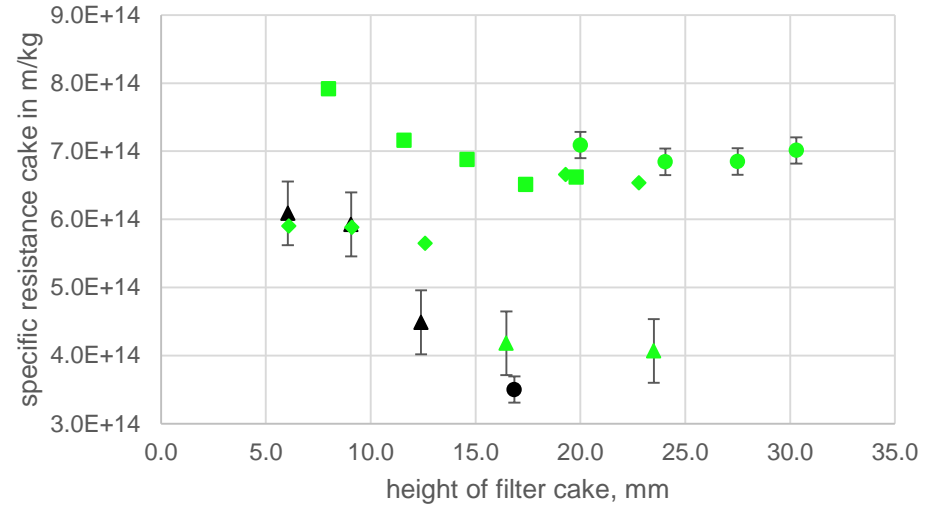
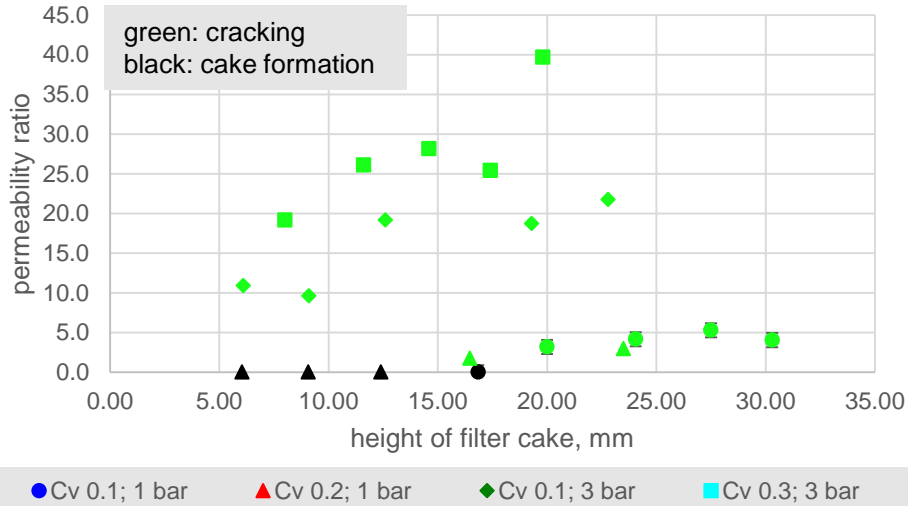
H = 15,6 mm



H = 28,9 mm

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Effect of height of filter cake on crack formation for KS12



Effect of height of filter cake on crack formation for KS12



$C_v = 0.3$
 $\Delta P = 3 \text{ bar}$
 $H = 15,6 \text{ mm}$

$C_v = 0.3$
 $\Delta P = 3 \text{ bar}$
 $H = 19.8 \text{ mm}$

$C_v = 0.2$
 $\Delta P = 1 \text{ bar}$
 $H = 16.5 \text{ mm}$

$C_v = 0.2$
 $\Delta P = 1 \text{ bar}$
 $H = 23.5 \text{ mm}$

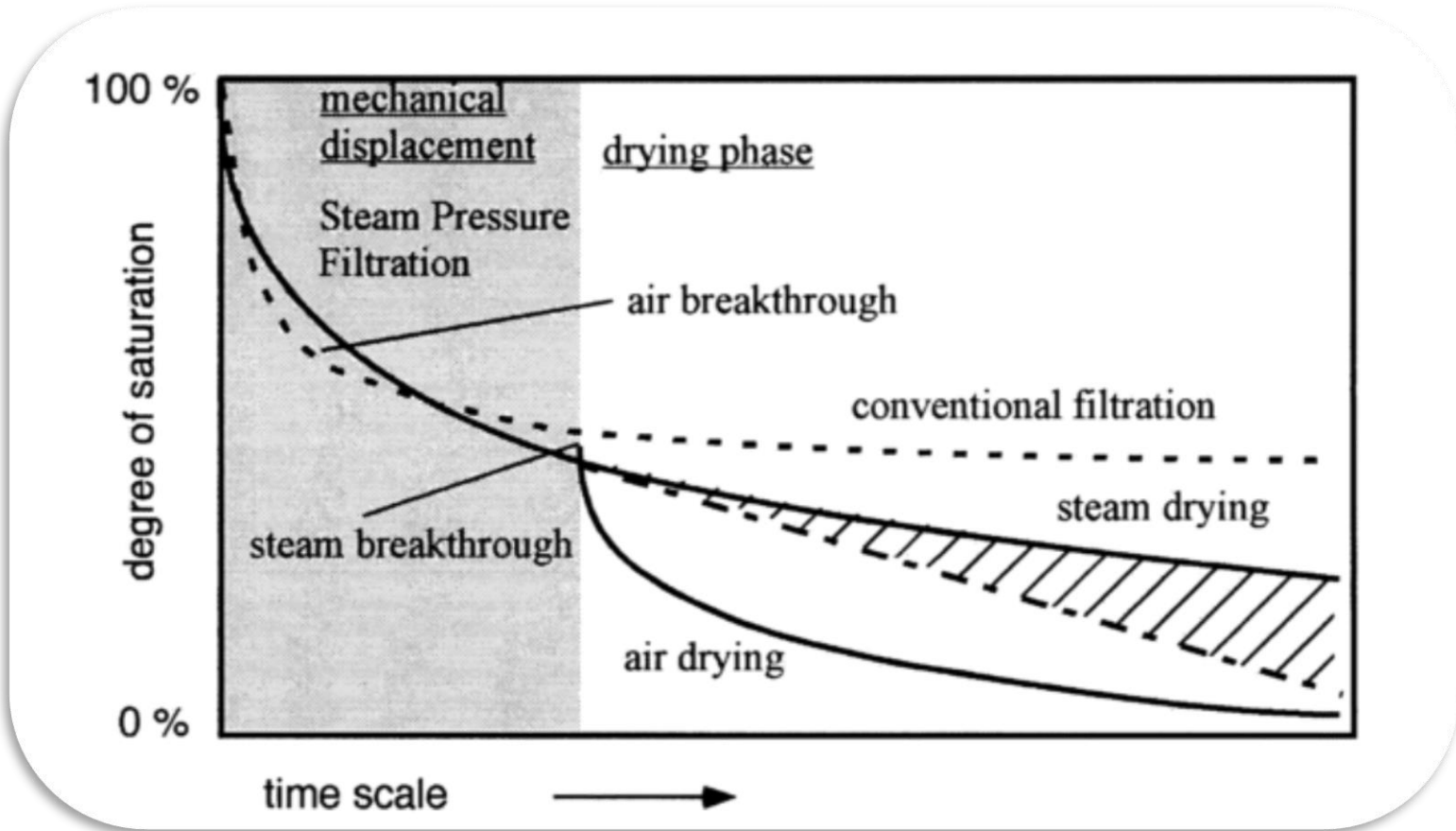
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Using steam pressure filtration as a new method to reduce the degree of crack and improve dewatering

Steam
pressure
filtration

- **Tensile strength** on filter cake could be higher than that of normal filtration.
- **Surface tension**, capillary force could be lower in high temperature.
- Mother liquor in big pore and small pore can flow simultaneously out of filter cake. Therefore, saturation is lower and **residual moisture content of filter cake can be improved**

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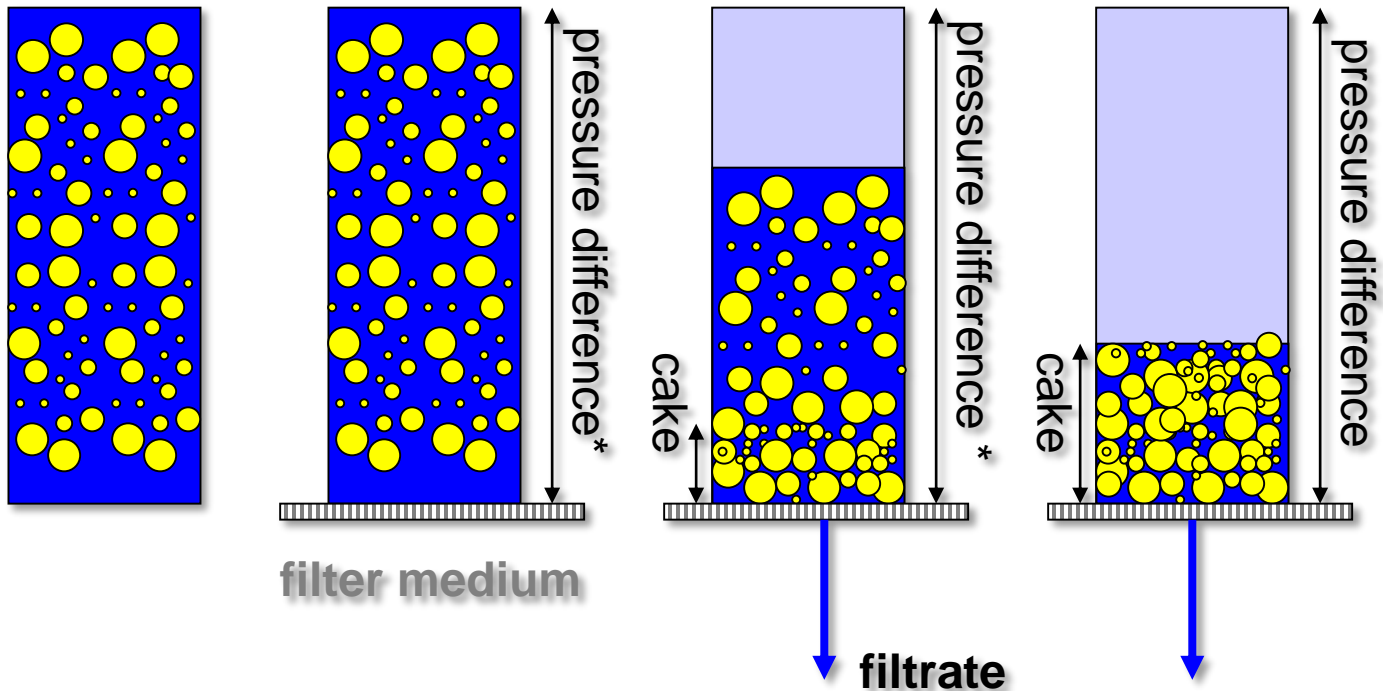


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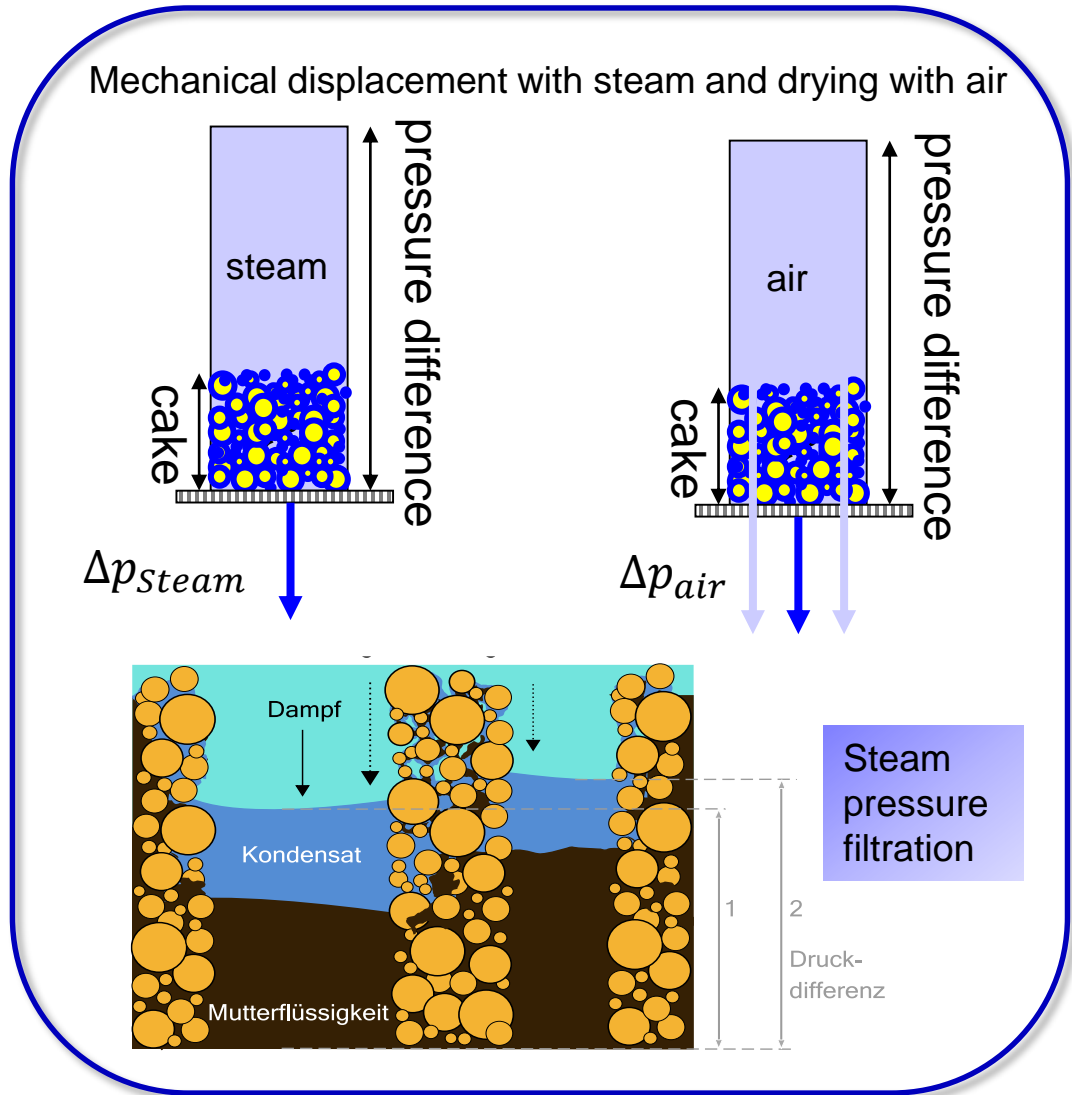
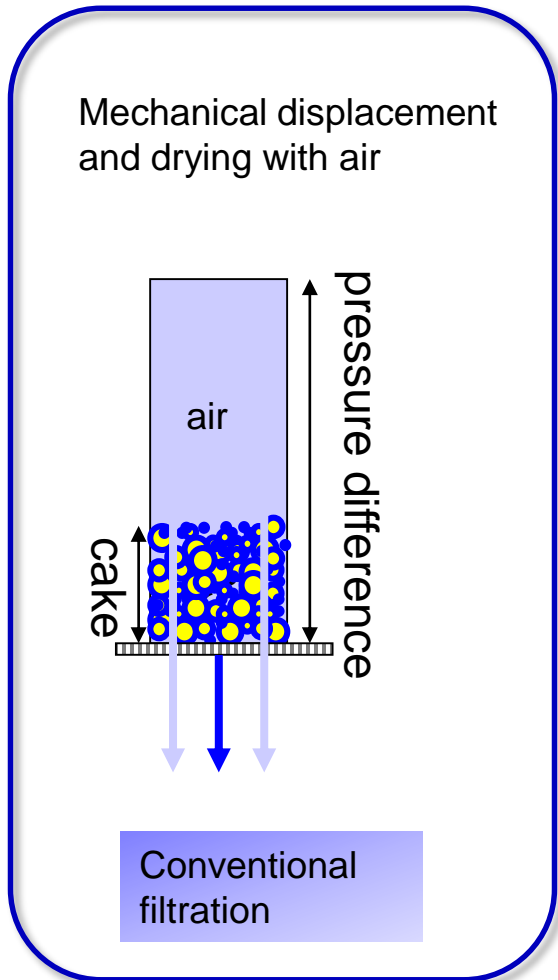
suspension

filter cake formation

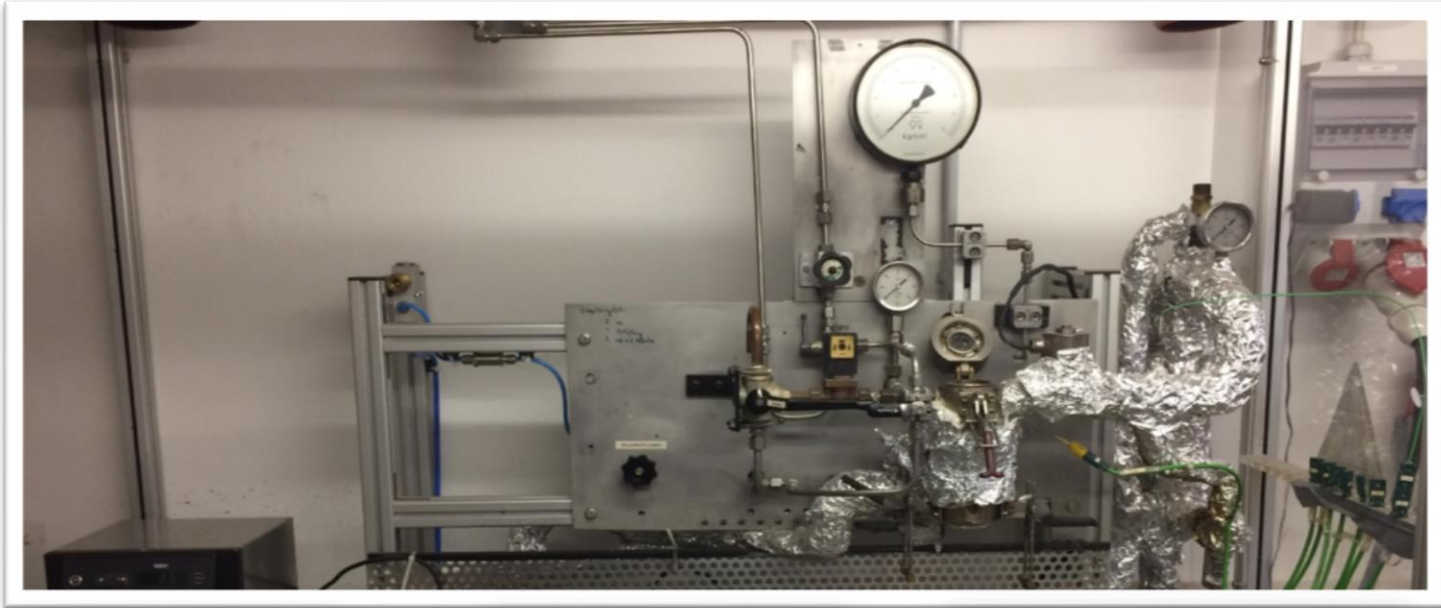


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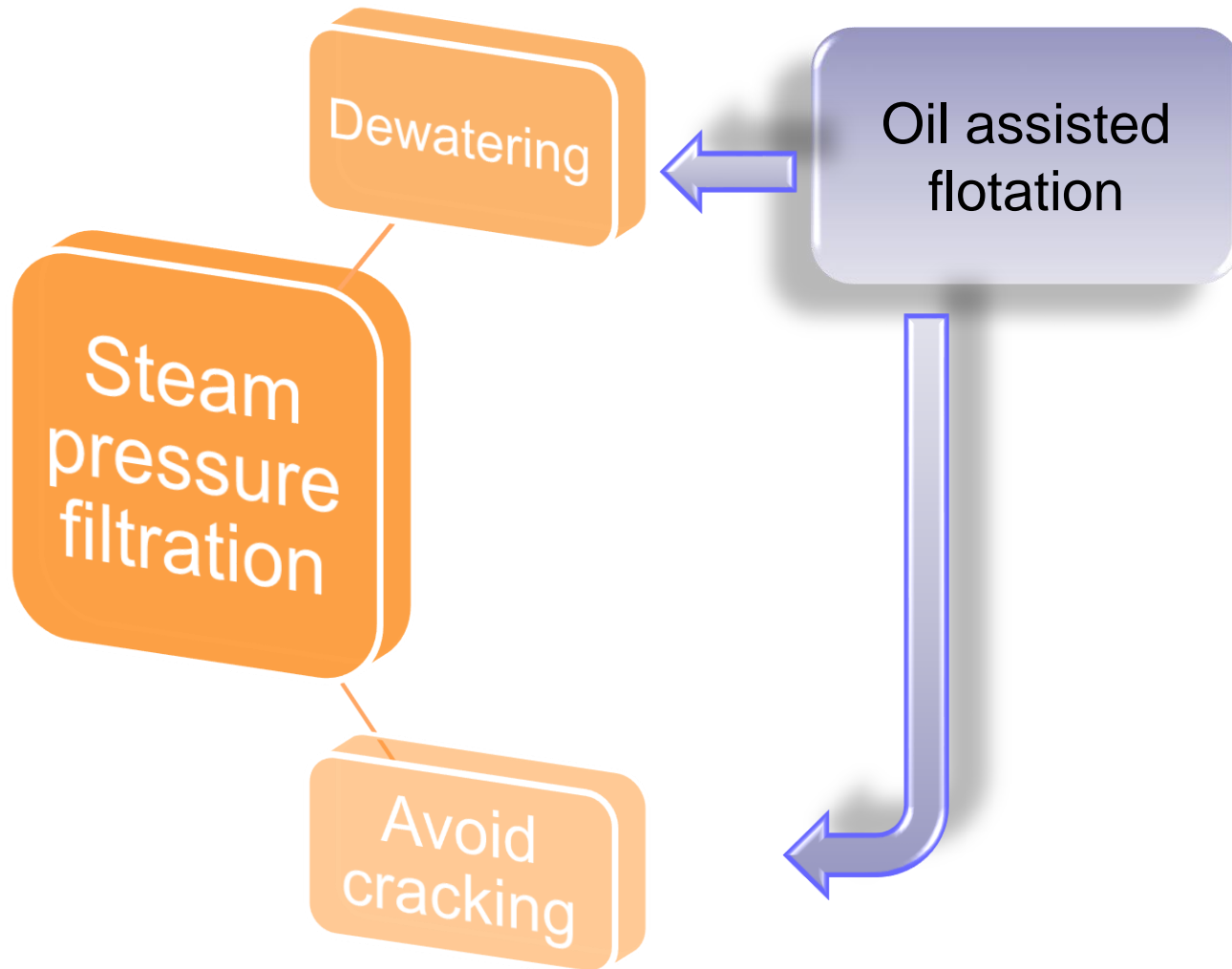
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Lab - scale steam pressure filtration equipment



Next tests...





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