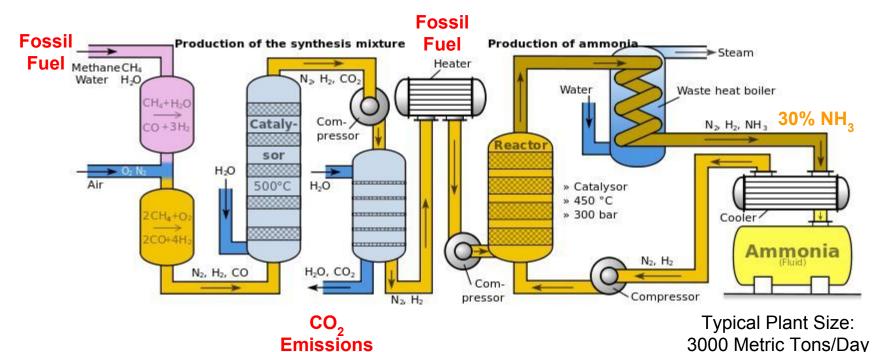
Advanced Heterogeneous Catalysts for Renewable Ammonia Synthesis

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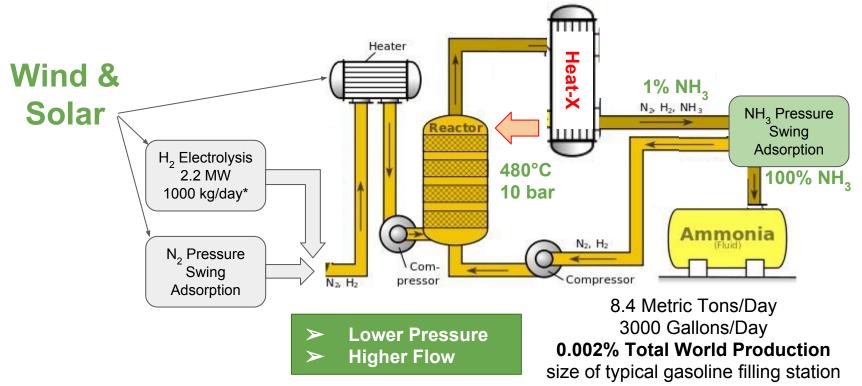
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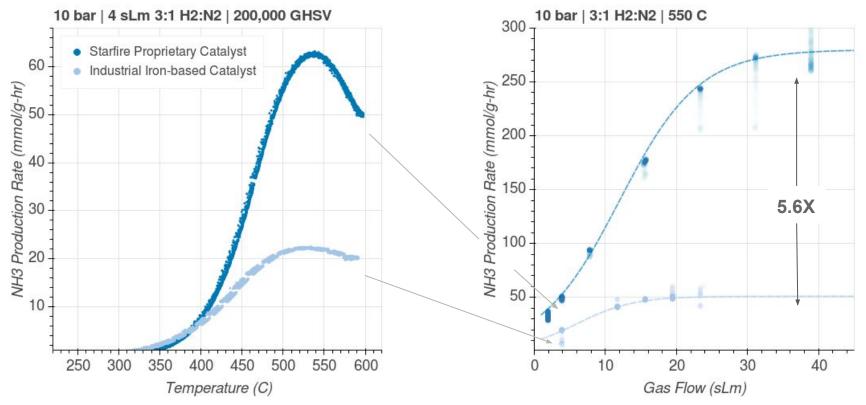
1 Million Gallons/Day

0.6% Total World Production

Smaller Scale HB Synthesis for Clean Ammonia

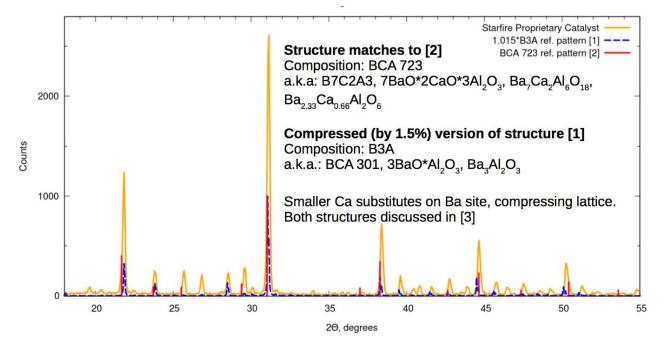


5.6X More Active Catalyst at Higher Flow Rates



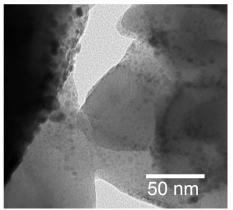
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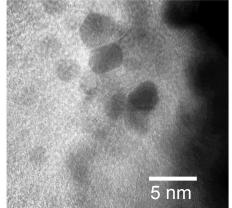
Ru clusters on Ba₇Ca₂Al₆O₁₈



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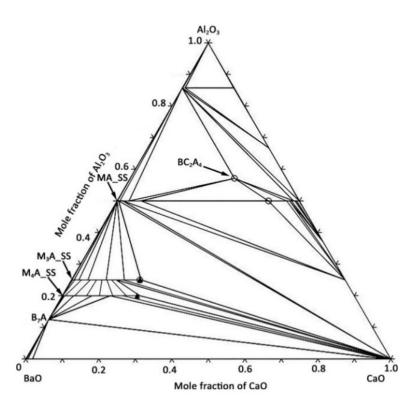
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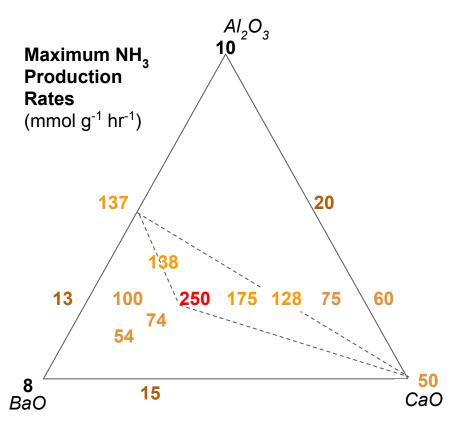




Surface Area: 3.21 m²/g Ru Dispersion: 16.1%

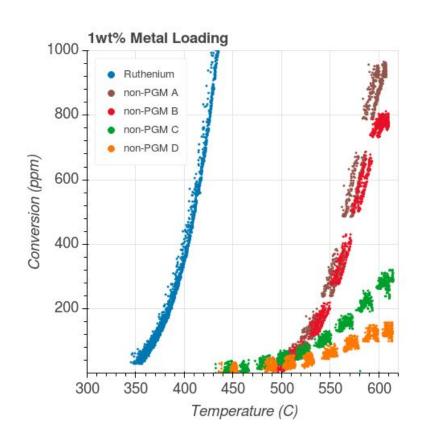
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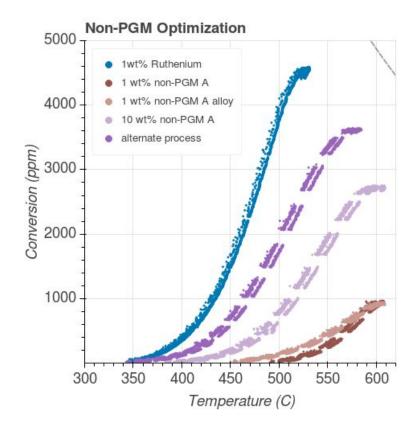




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Performance approaching Ru with non-PGM alternatives





Conclusions/Acknowledgments



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