

A Review on the Green and Nano Composite Cement for Carbon Capture and Sequestration Project

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Global warming is one of the biggest challenges faced by the world at present, in which one of the major contributors is the release of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere especially CO₂. Therefore, many countries are moving towards a net zero goal, which dictates that the amount of greenhouse gas released should be balanced with the same number of gases removed from the atmosphere. In that respect carbon capture and sequestration (CCS) projects play an important role in which CO₂ can be injected into the suitable subsurface geological formation. The success of the CCS project is dependent upon three parameters i.e., capacity, injectivity and confinement. In which confinement plays a vital role as proper plugged and cemented well will be able to suppress CO₂ in the subsurface layers for hundreds of years. While on the other hand if the well cement is compromised then the leakage of CO₂ to the surface can happen and the purpose of CCS fails.

Hence, it has been reported in many studies that cement exposed to CCS simulated environment has the tendency to be degraded because temperature and pressure of the reservoir convert the injected CO₂ gas to supercritical CO₂, which is much more reactive towards cement sheath. This paper will review the use of agricultural waste (Palm Oil Fuel Ash and Rice Husk Ash) and nano particles (Nano Silica, Nano Glass Flakes and Multiwall Carbon Nano Tube) as a replacement in the Class G cement to modify the chemical, mechanical, rheological and transfer properties of the cement and its resistance against the supercritical CO₂ environment. The study reveals that published data on cement mixtures with the agricultural waste shows better mechanical and rheological properties than the nano particle cement, however, their performance after exposure to the supercritical CO₂ was not good due to the pozzolanic reaction that reduced the quantity of the Portlandite, while nano particle cement performed better in CCS simulated environment.