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**Feasibility Test for 2-Phase Flow Visualization at the PEMFC  
Using the Neutron Radiography Image Technology**

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**Abstract**

The feasibility test was performed to check the possibility of 2-phase flow visualization and water distribution at inside the PEMFC using neutron radiography image technique. It was composed using water and pressured air. From the image, several 2-phase flow patterns were discovered and water fraction was estimated by the reference specimen and image analysis.

[1]. PEMFC 가

I [n/cm<sup>2</sup>sec] PEMFC  
t [cm]  
Σ [cm<sup>-1</sup>]

ch  
Dry  
o  
water  
Wet

[2].

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PEMFC 가  
PEMFC 가  
가

PEMFC , ,

(thermal) (fast) 가 X- , γ- ,

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\* X- , γ- . Fig.1

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가 , X- 가

가

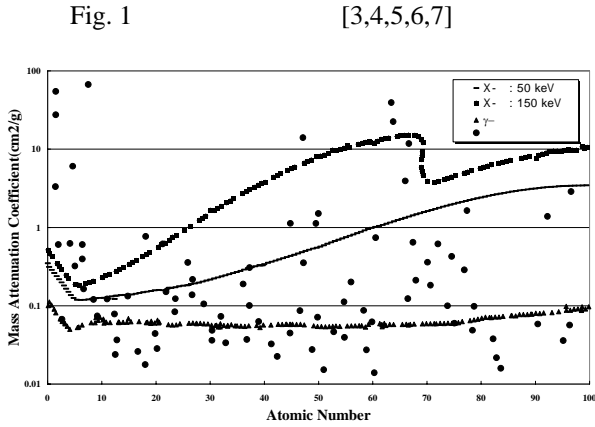


Fig. 1 Comparison mass attenuation coefficient among thermal neutron, X-ray and  $\gamma$ -ray

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 PEMFC 가 2  
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 PEMFC  
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2. PEMFC

PEMFC 가  
 PEMFC 가  
 PEMFC , , ,  
 가 , Fig.2  
 (endplate)  
 가 3cm

가 (endplate)

PEMFC

Fig.3 PEMFC

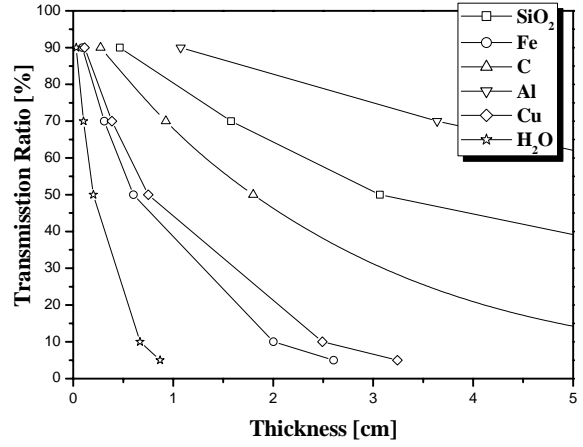


Fig. 2 Neutron transmission ratio according to PEMFC materials thickness

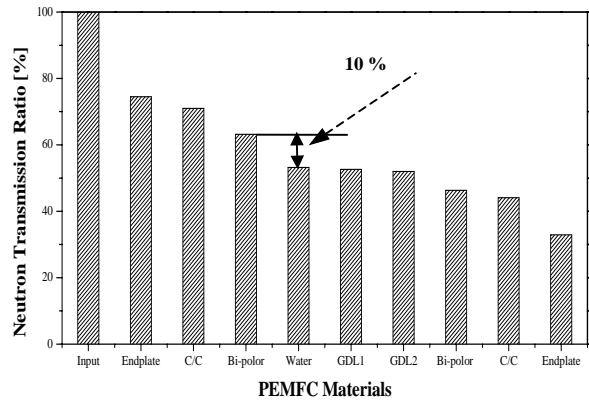


Fig. 3 Neutron transmission rate variation according to PEMFC materials sequence

(endplate)

30%

10%

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Fig.4

PEMFC

(pressure regulator)

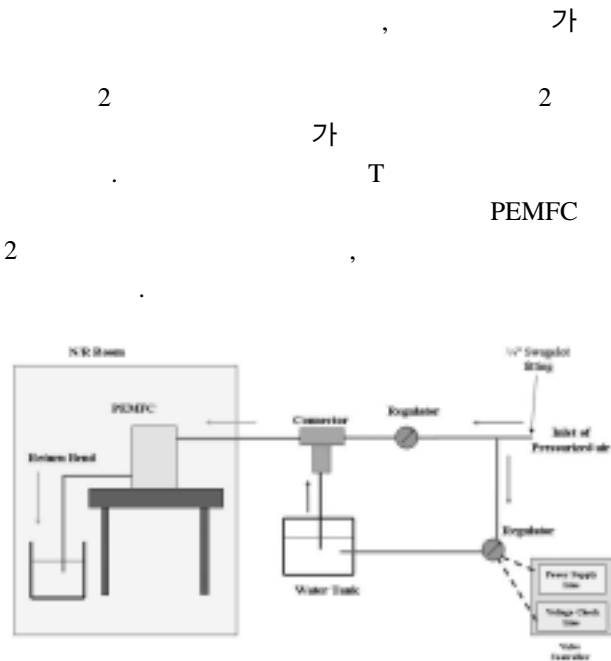


Fig. 4 Schematic diagram of test apparatus

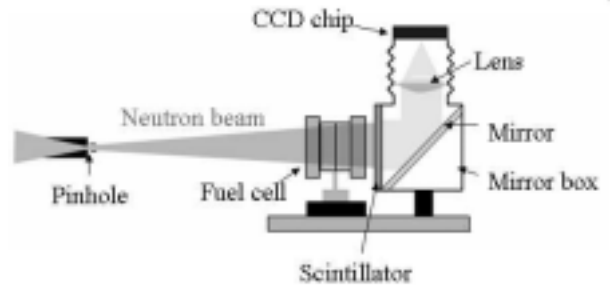


Fig. 5 Schematic diagram of neutron radiography image system (NIST)

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Fig.5

CCD  
 NIST BT-6  
 $1.84 \times 10^7$  n/cm<sup>2</sup>s, L/D 280  
 1, 1000  
 0.3mm  
 530nm 가  
 2048\*2048 CCD  
 (Andor Technology )  
 CCD

3.3

CCD

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Dry Wet S/W  
 Dark current  
 , PEMFC  
 Dry S/W Wet  
 가 2  
 Fig.6  
 50 μm ( )  
 10  
 (gray scale)  
 Dry, Wet  
 Dark current  
 S/W  
 PEMFC

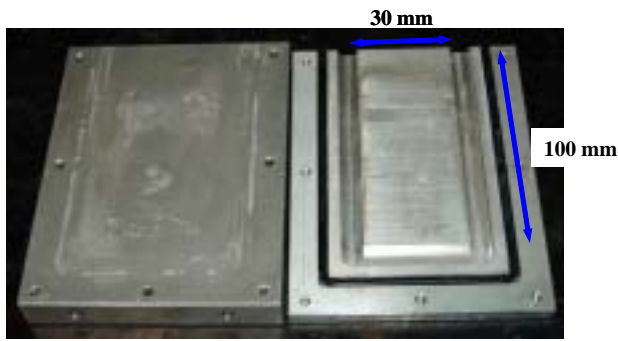


Fig. 6 Schematic diagram of reference specimen

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Fig.7

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 Dry, Wet Dark current  
 S/W  
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$$I_{Dry} = I_o e^{-\Sigma t_{ch}}, I_{wet} = I_o e^{-\Sigma(t_{ch} + t_{water})} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{I_{wet}}{I_{Dry}} = \frac{I_o e^{-\Sigma(t_{ch} + t_{water})}}{I_o e^{-\Sigma t_{ch}}} = e^{-\Sigma t_{water}} \quad (2)$$

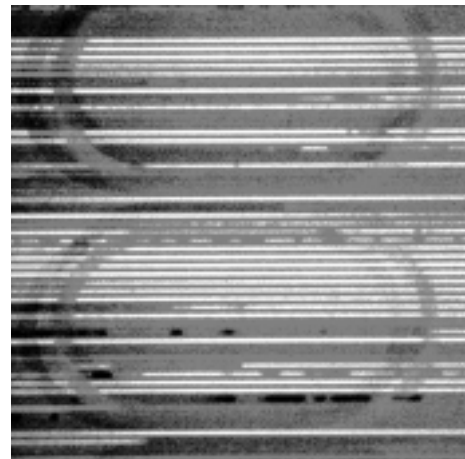
$$\Sigma t_{water} = \ln\left(\frac{I_{Dry}}{I_{wet}}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{I_o e^{-\Sigma t_{ch}}}{I_o e^{-\Sigma(t_{ch} + t_{water})}}\right) \quad (3)$$

Fig.7

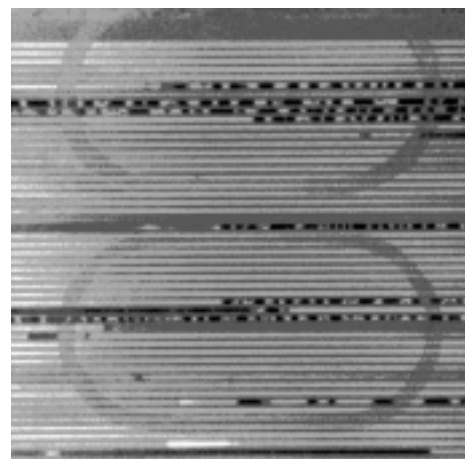
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 PEMFC 2 가 가

Fig.7

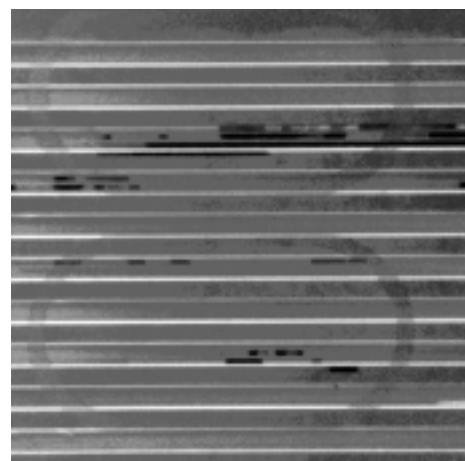
PEMFC 가 가



a) Hydrogen Channel



b) Oxygen Channel

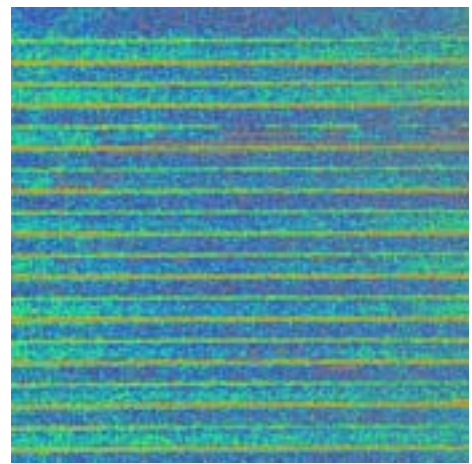


c) Cooling Channel

Fig. 7 2-phase flow images at a) Hydrogen, b) Oxygen, and c) Cooling Channels

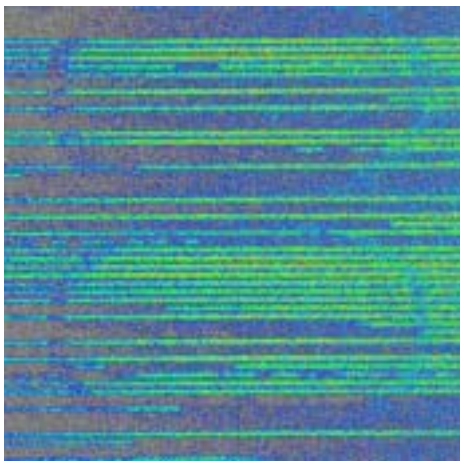
가 PEMFC 가 (Cathode) 가

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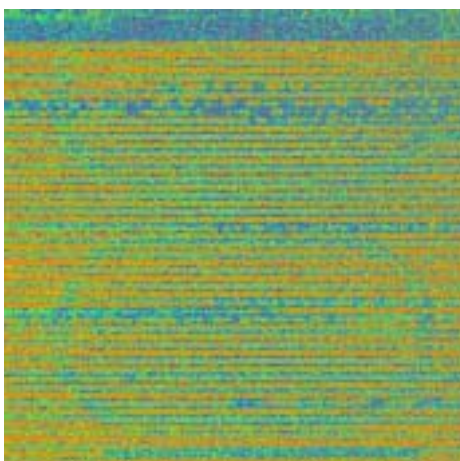


c) Cooling Channel

Fig. 8 Water Distribution Images of a) hydrogen, b) oxygen, and c) cooling channel



a) Hydrogen Channel



b) Oxygen Channel

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