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## Economical feasibility study on $\mathrm{CO}_2$ sequestration in the form of gas hydrate under seafloor

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**Summary:** A new concept for  $CO_2$  geological sequestration is proposed as one of promising countermeasures against the global warming. For general geological sequestration technologies, there are still some issues we need to tackle, such as the shortage of possible sites to sequestrate, environmental risks due to leakage, and costs. In order to solve these problems, we propose a system to sequestrate a large amount of  $CO_2$  in the form of gas hydrate under the seafloor safely. In this system, we capture a mixture of  $CO_2$  and  $N_2$  from the flue gas exhausted from a coal-fired power plant and inject the mixture into marine sediments, where pressure is high enough and temperature is low enough to form hydrates. Besides, by using the  $CO_2 + N_2$  mixture gas, we can reduce the cost and avoid the blockage by the hydrates in marine sediments. In this work, we assessed the potential amount of sequestrated  $CO_2$  and the cost of this system. From the results, the amount of  $CO_2$  that can be sequestrated offshore Japan by this system was estimated to be twice and the sequestration cost was reduced by 15%, compared with those of  $CO_2$  aquifer storage.

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