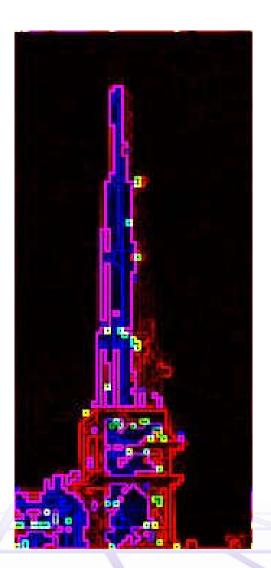




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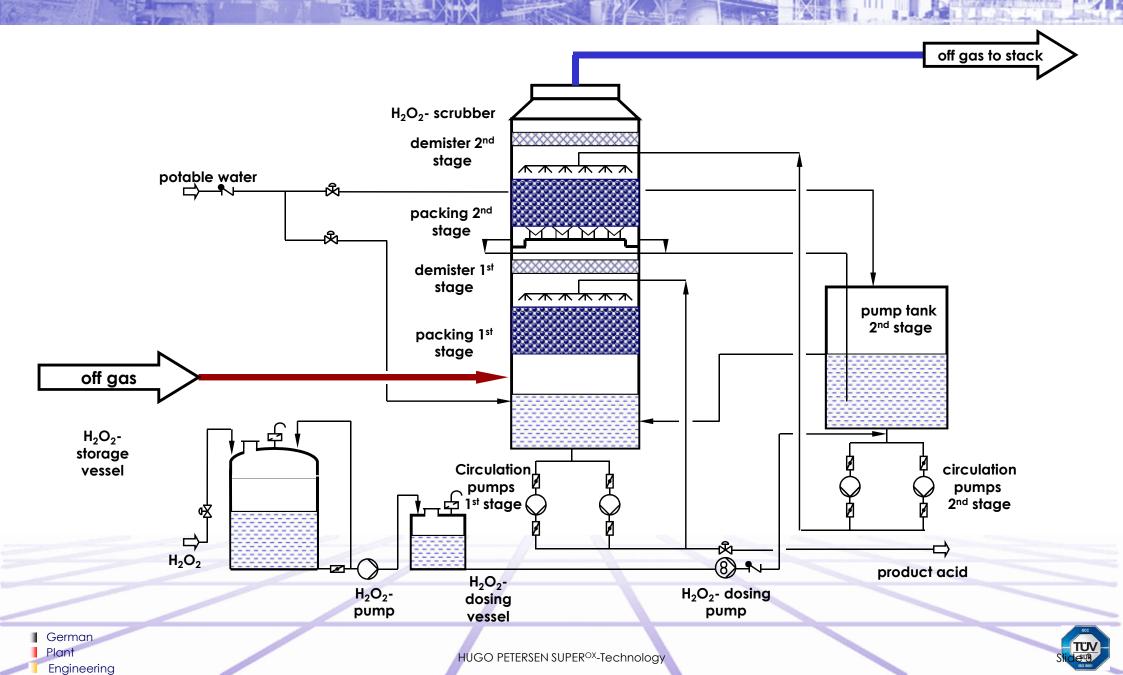






# Typical Scheme of a 2-stage SUPER<sup>OX</sup>-Scrubbing Unit

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In an acidic environment of sulphuric acid and  $SO_2$  as impurity to remove  $H_2O_2$  is used to produce sulphuric acid

$$SO_2 + H_2O_2 \iff H_2SO_4$$

As the reaction does not produce any water as by-product theoretically high concentrated acid could be produced.

But the formation of peroxymonosulphuric acid is limiting the acid concentration as its bounds the active  $H_2O_2$ 

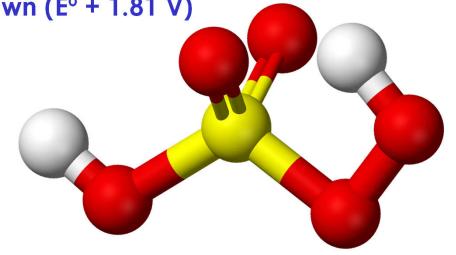






Peroxymonosulphuric acid (POMSA), also known as persulphuric acid, peroxysulphuric acid, or as Caro's acid, is  $H_2SO_5$ , a liquid at room temperature. In this acid, the S(VI) center adopts its characteristic tetrahedral geometry; the connectivity is indicated by the formula  $HO-O-S(O)_2-OH$ .

It is one of the strongest oxidants known (E° + 1.81 V)



H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>5</sub> was first described by Heinrich Caro, after whom it is named.







But Peroxymonosulphuric acid, is nearly non-dissociated in higher concentrated sulphuric acid.

Therefore diluted acid is more appropriate for absorption

$$H_2SO_4 + H_2O_2 \rightleftharpoons H_2SO_5 + H_2O$$

High Reactivity and Complete Use of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>







**SUPEROX** 

**Double-Stage Absorption Media** 

→ High Peak Ability

**Packed Column-Design** 

→ Plotsize reduced due to one in one design

1<sup>st</sup> 50 up to 70% Acid Conc. 2<sup>nd</sup> 30 up to 40% Acid Conc.

Traces of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in Product Acid

Reference with up to 60%





































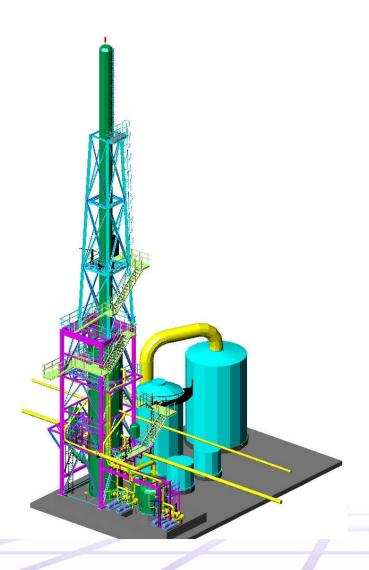


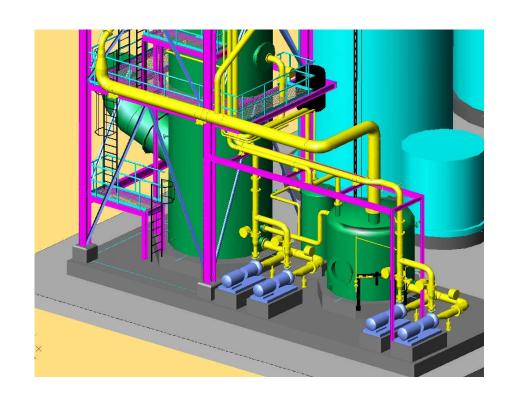














#### Project Profile Rhodia Staveley



Project Start:

Plant Commissioned:

Operational Data:

December 2002

June 2003

gas flow:	55'000	Nm³/h wet
inlet temperature:	70	°C
outlet temperature:	40	°C
acid concentration 1st stage:	55-60	weight-%
acid concentration 2 <sup>nd</sup> stage:	30-40	weight %
pressure drop:	app. 20	mbar
SO <sub>2</sub> raw gas:	2'500	ppm
SO <sub>2</sub> clean gas guaranteed:	400	ppm
SO <sub>2</sub> clean gas achieved:	<b>50</b>	ppm
average peroxide		
consumption (as 50%):	150	kg/h
water consumption:	1'300	kg/h
product acid:	400	kg/h





#### Project Profile Codelco, Las Ventanas Chile



Project Start: May 2014
Plant Commissioned: January 2016
Operational Data:

gas flow: 130'000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h wet inlet temperature: 80 °C outlet temperature: 35 **55-60** acid concentration 1st stage: weight-% acid concentration 2<sup>nd</sup> stage: weight % 30-35 pressure drop: app. 22 mbar SO<sub>2</sub> raw gas: 1'000 ppm (Peak) 3'000 ppm SO<sub>2</sub> clean gas guaranteed: < 100 ppm average peroxide consumption (as 50%): kg/h 380 water consumption: 4'500 kg/h product acid: kg/h 880







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