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Project details

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Development of processes for direct
production of hydrogen from sunlight

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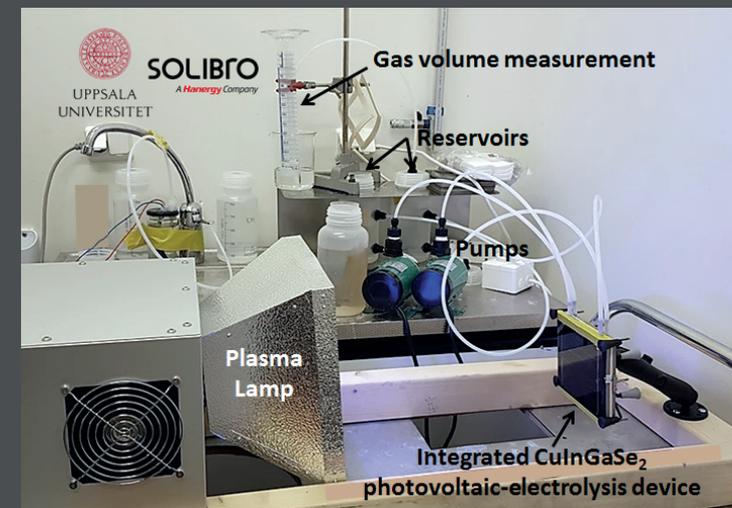
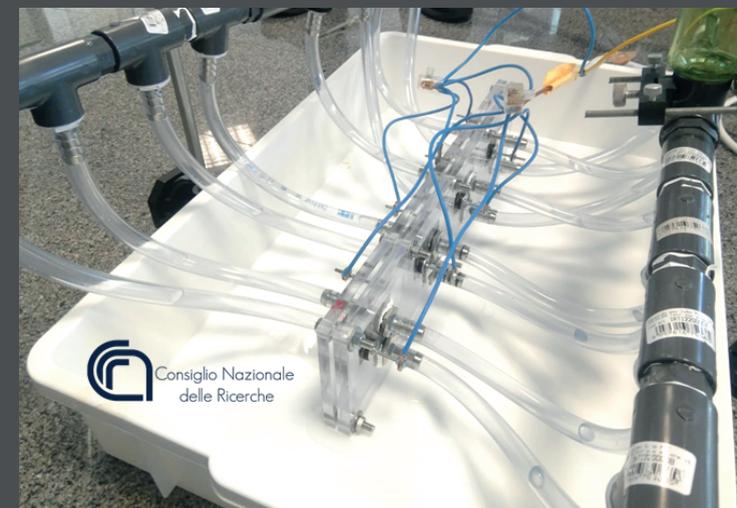
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Technology demonstration of
large-scale photo-electrochemical
system for solar hydrogen
production



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PECSYS

PECSYS is a research and innovation project aimed at demonstrating a system for solar driven electrochemical hydrogen generation. The final demonstrator consists of several planar modules with an active area $>10 \text{ m}^2$ and is projected to produce more than 10 kg of hydrogen over a six month period.

The consortium will test various established PV materials (crystalline silicon heterojunction and copper indium gallium di-selenide, CIGS) and integrate them with established electrolyser technologies to develop innovative device concepts for integrated photo-electrochemical devices.

The focus is on solar-to-hydrogen (STH) conversion efficiency enhancement, scaling up and optimizing the long-term stability of these devices, beyond the current state of the art in terms of performance and cost.

Our Goals:

- Study and develop devices for integrated Photovoltaic - Electrolysis (PV-EC) hydrogen generation and scale viable concepts to prototype size $> 100 \text{ cm}^2$.
- Use socio-techno-economic analysis to select concepts with levelised cost of hydrogen production below 5 €/kg.
- Scale the prototypes of the less mature but promising technologies to a demonstrator with an active area $> 10 \text{ m}^2$.
- Achieve a hydrogen production of 16 g/h from the demonstrator with an STH efficiency of at least 6 %.
- Ensure that the initial demonstrator STH efficiency does not decrease by more than 10 % after six months of continuous operation.

Work Packages:

- WP 1 – Project coordination
- WP2 – Silicon based approach
- WP3 – CIGS based approach
- WP4 – Cassette approach
- WP6 – Device simulation / socio-techno-economic-and life-cycle-analysis
- WP7 – Prototype panel and field tests
- WP8 – Project exploitation, dissemination and communication