

# Innovative Circular Technologies for Harmful Nitrogen Compounds/ To Solve Planetary Boundary Issues

Theme 2. Recycling nitrogen compounds in wastewater to ammonia resource  
Theme 2-2. R&D for  $\text{NH}_4^+$  recycling by Separation and concentration  
Structure optimization and modulization of hollow fiber FO membrane

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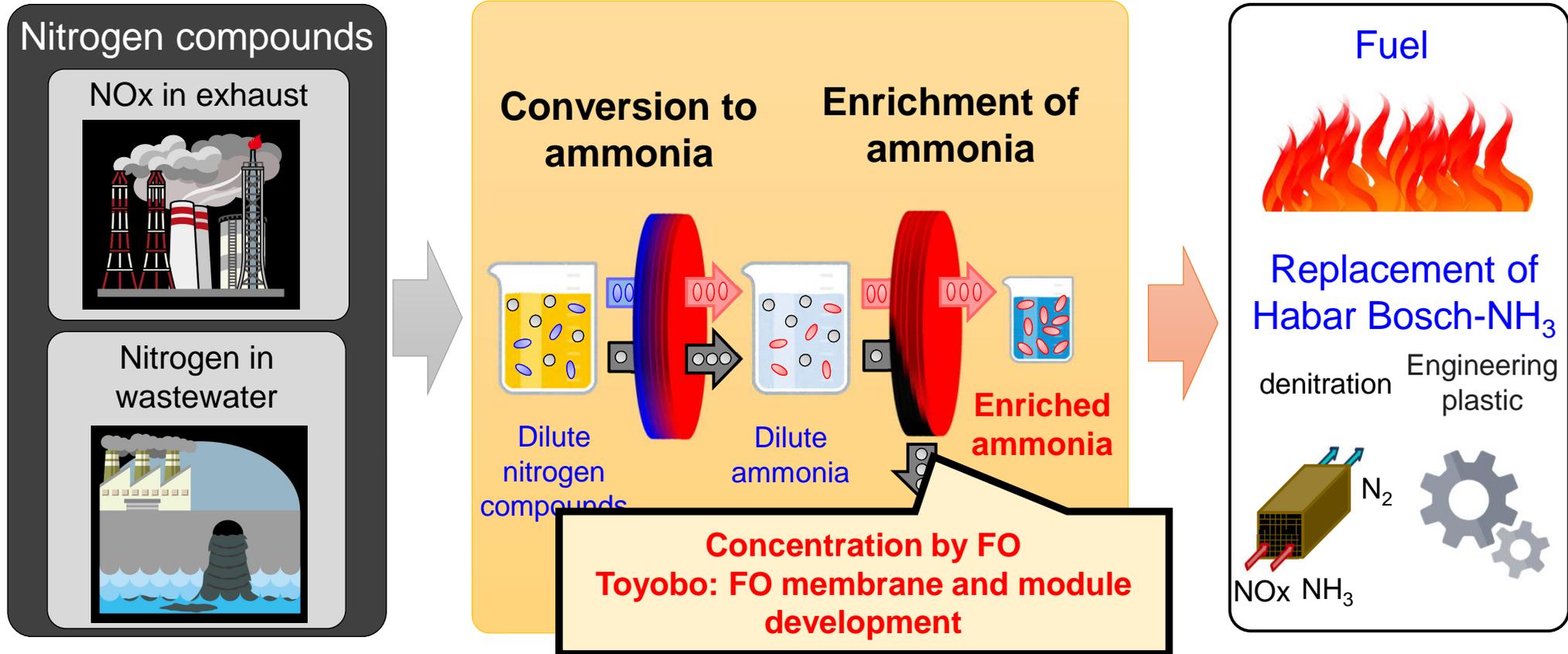
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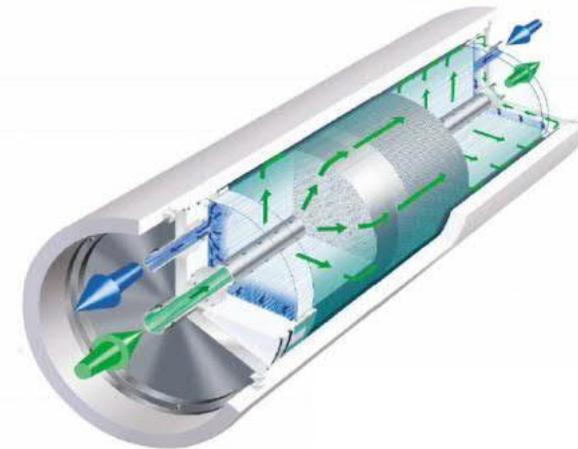
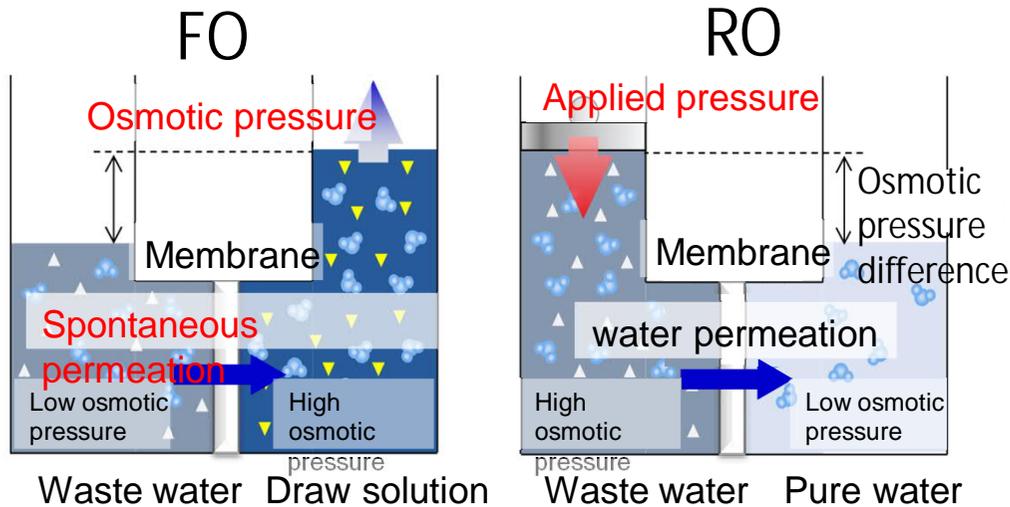


Target of Theme 2 for FY2029 : Demonstration with a pilot plant with and enrichment on a scale of 5~15 m<sup>3</sup>/d.

Position of Toyobo: Structure optimization and modulization of hollow fiber FO membrane

Target of Toyobo for FY2029: Establishment of FO system using 10inch modules and installation them into the pilot plant.

## Structure optimization and modulization of hollow fiber FO membrane



Structure of hollow fiber FO membrane module

### FO mechanism comparing with RO

#### 【Advantage】

- Large area
- Uniform flow
- Chlorine resistance
- Fine fiber



Cross-wound structure

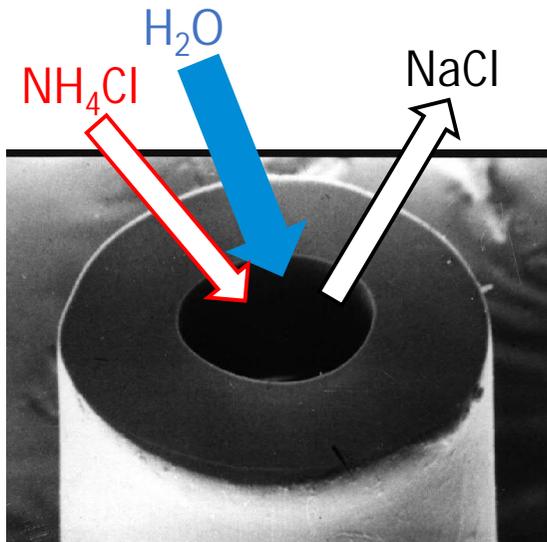


FO element

#### 【R&D Items】

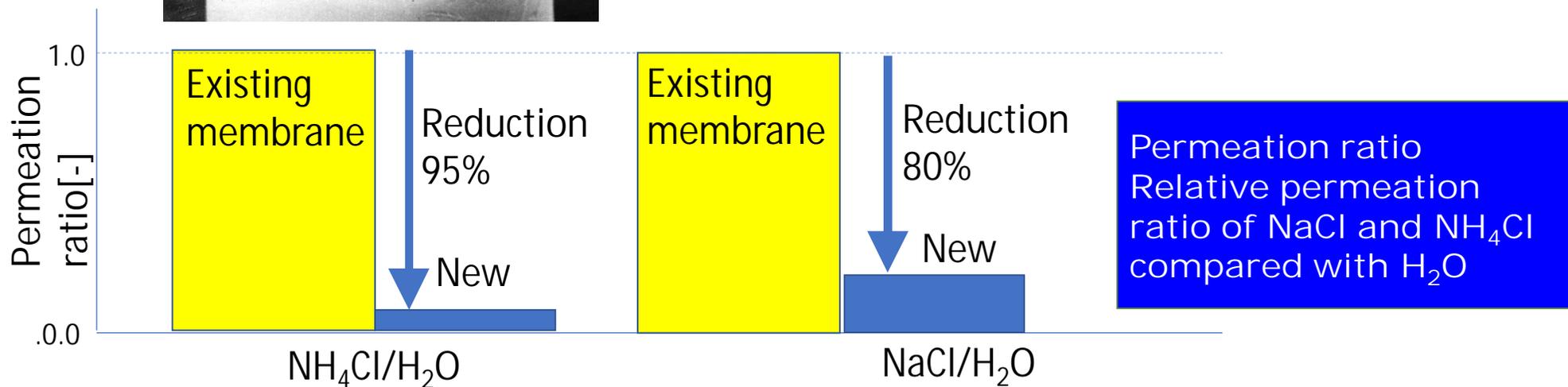
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- Development of module using developed FO membrane

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Bore : draw solution (seawater, NaCl)  
Shell : wastewater ( $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ )

Objective : water transport from wastewater  
Problem① :  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  leakage from wastewater  
Problem② : NaCl leakage from draw solution



Newly developed dense FO membrane reduced leakage of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  from wastewater and NaCl from draw solution considerably.

Next step: development FO module using newly developed membrane

## **Position in the project**

Structure optimization and modulization of hollow fiber FO membrane

## **Target for FY2029**

Establishment of FO system using 10inch modules and installation them into the pilot plant

## **R&D items**

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## **Achievement**

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