

CWSF 2008 - Ottawa, Ontario



Hydrogen Storage Using Steel Wool

Division: International / Automotive

Category: Intermediate

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Abstract: The hypothesis of this project is that the reversible reaction in which $2\text{Fe} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ is converted into $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 + 3\text{H}_2$ could be used to store hydrogen. Steam is passed over heated steel wool, releasing hydrogen (which powers a hydrogen fuel cell). The process is reversed by passing hydrogen, produced by solar-powered electrolysis of water, over heated iron oxide.

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