

# Demonstration of CO<sub>2</sub>-free Ammonia Synthesis using Renewable Energy-Generated Hydrogen



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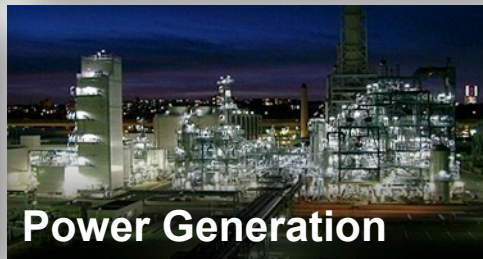
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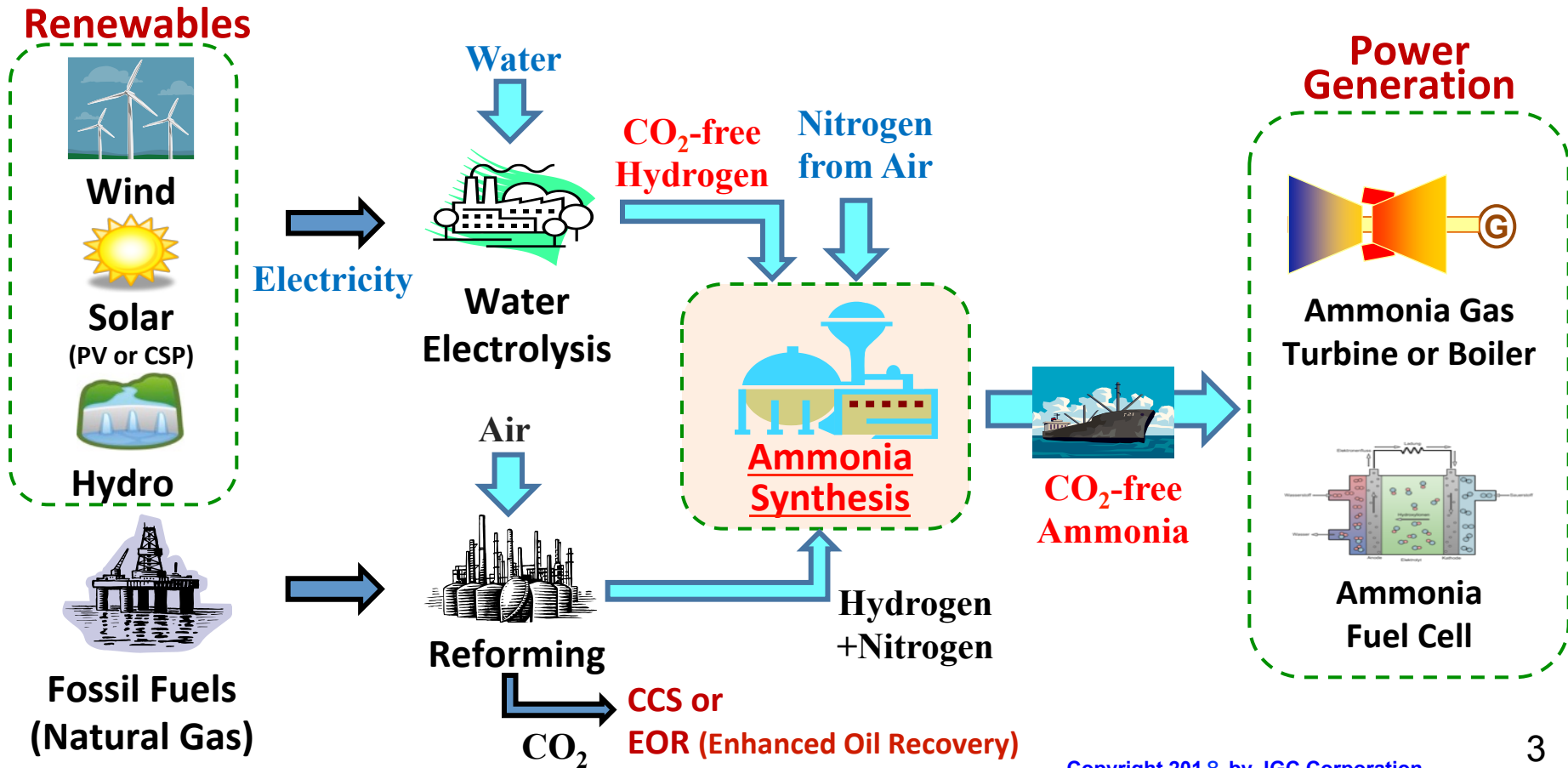
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# JGC's Main Business Domains



# Supply Chain of CO<sub>2</sub>-free Ammonia

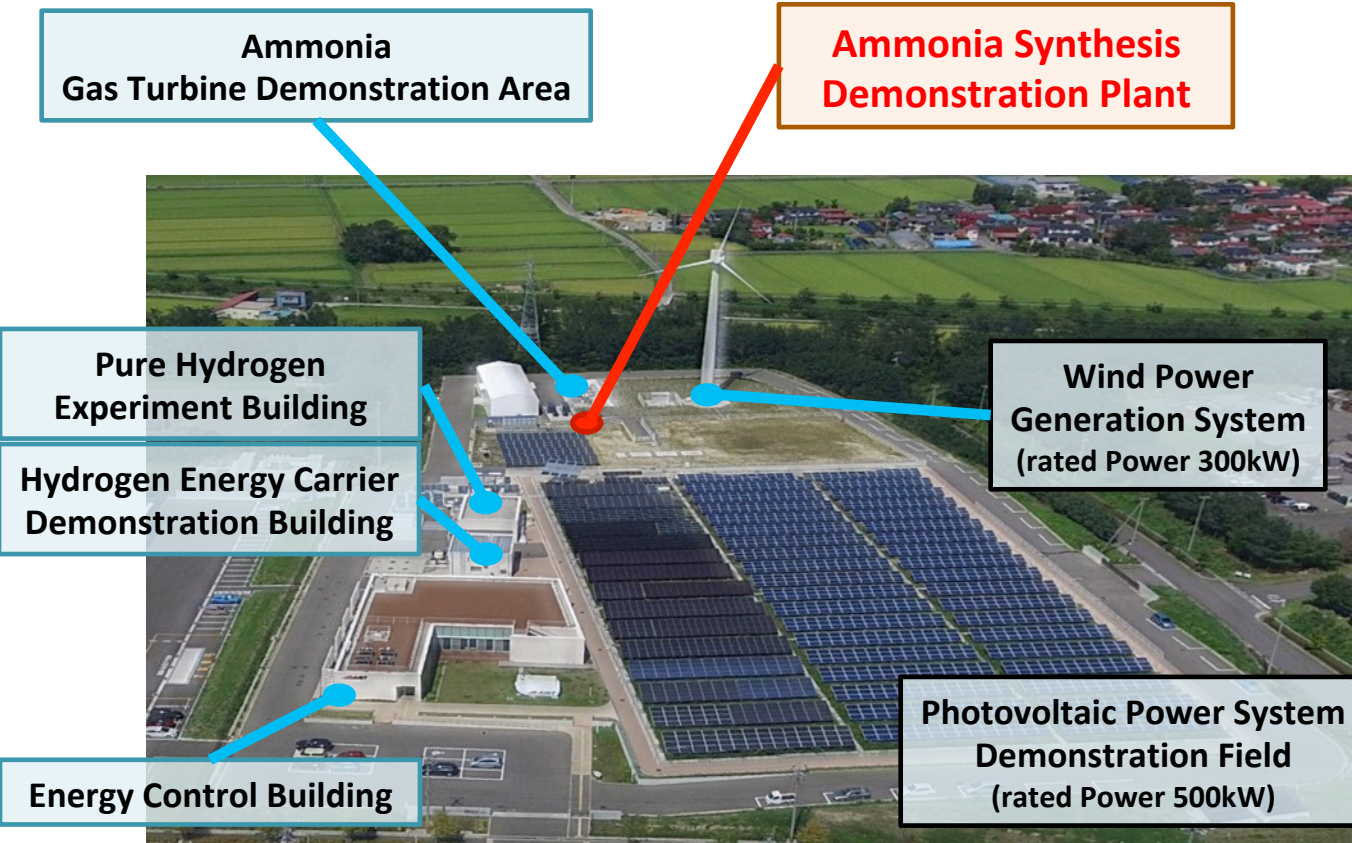


# Background and Objectives

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- R&D Theme “Development of Ammonia Synthesis Process from CO<sub>2</sub>-free Hydrogen” under SIP Energy Carriers
- Major R&D Items;
  - (1) Development of ammonia synthesis catalyst with high activity at low pressure and temperature
  - (2) Demonstration of new catalyst performance

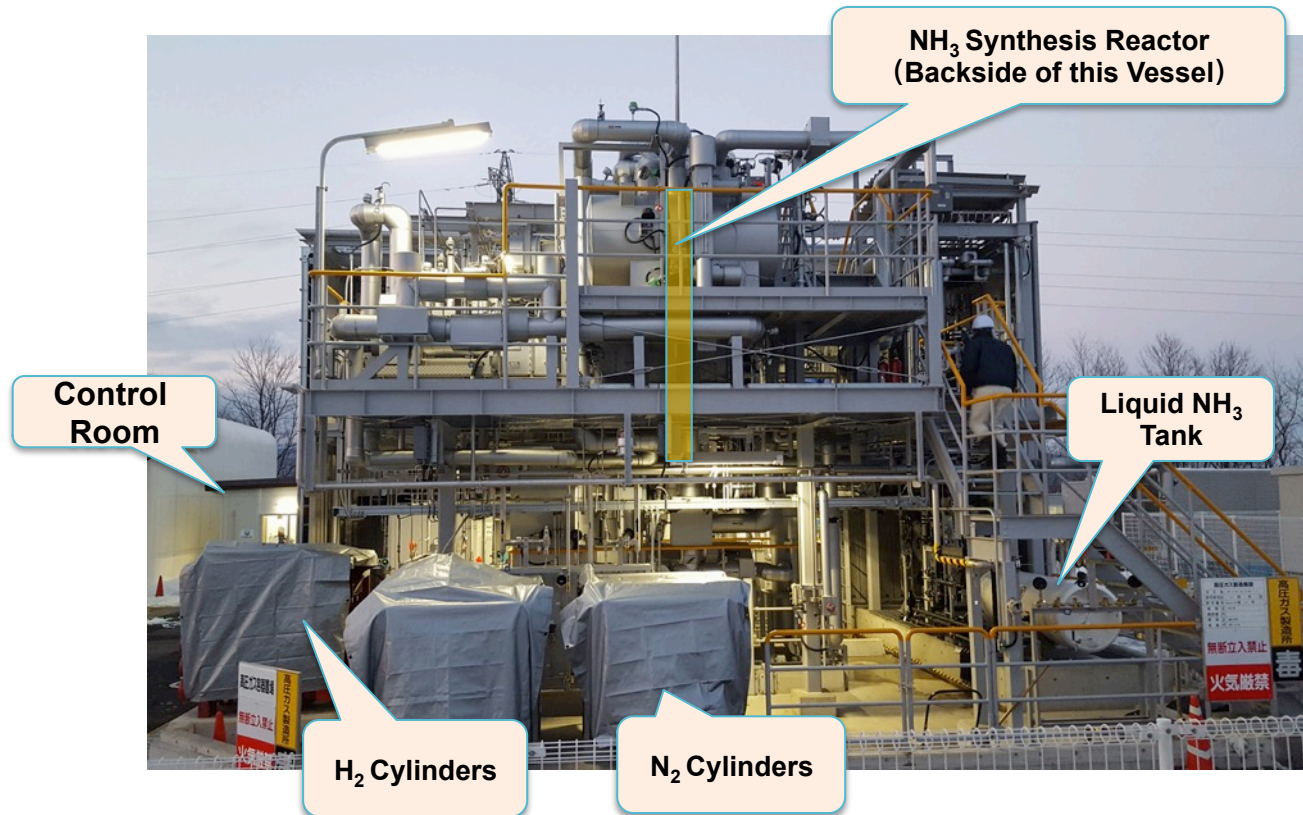
# Fukushima Renewable Energy Institute, AIST (FREIA)



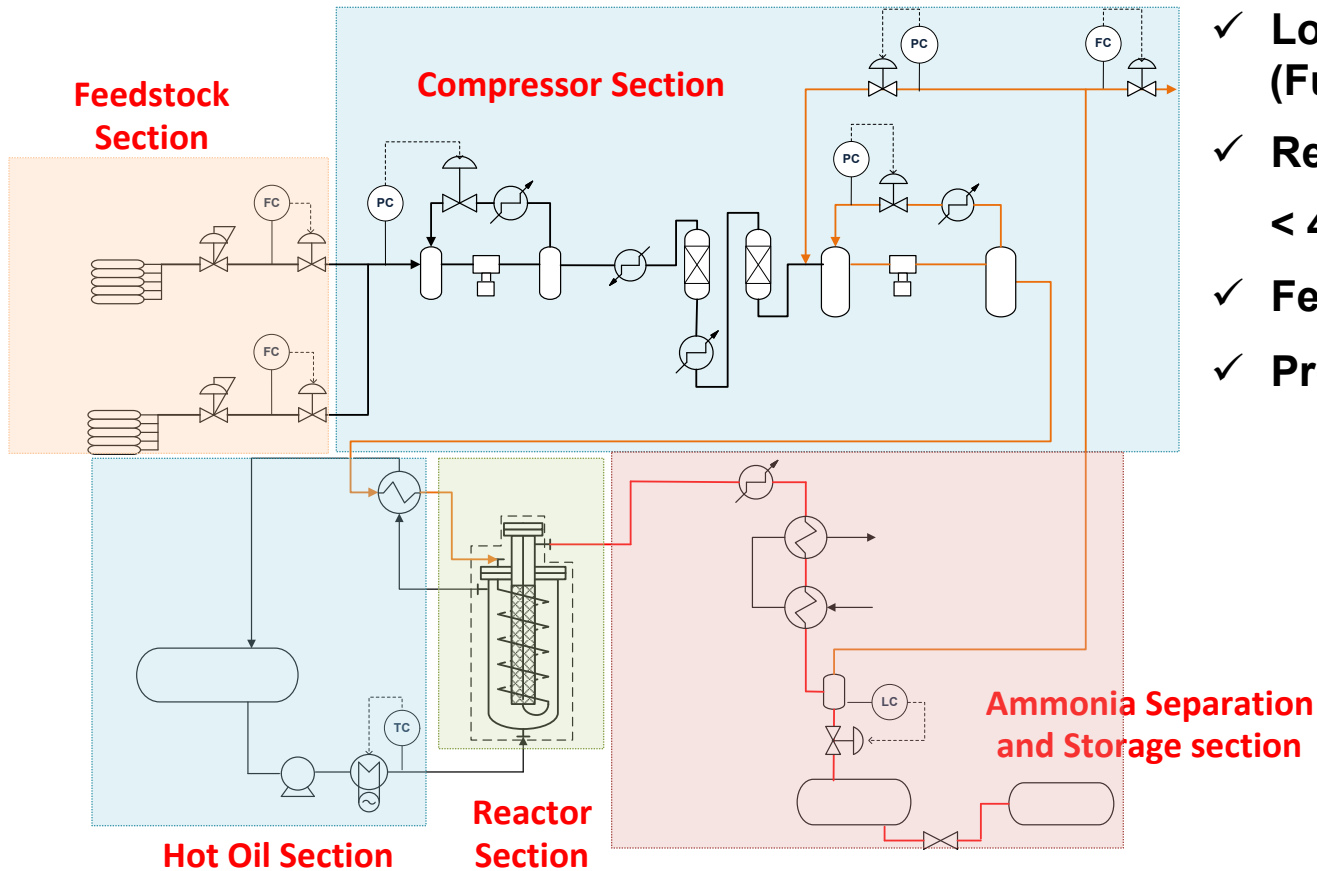
“Courtesy of AIST”



# Ammonia Demonstration Plant



# Simplified Process Flow Diagram of Plant



- ✓ Location : AIST FREA (Fukushima, Japan)
- ✓ Reactor Inlet Conditions:  
< 400degC, < 8MPaG
- ✓ Feedstock : Cylinder Gas
- ✓ Product : Liquefied Ammonia

# Demonstration Plant Highlights

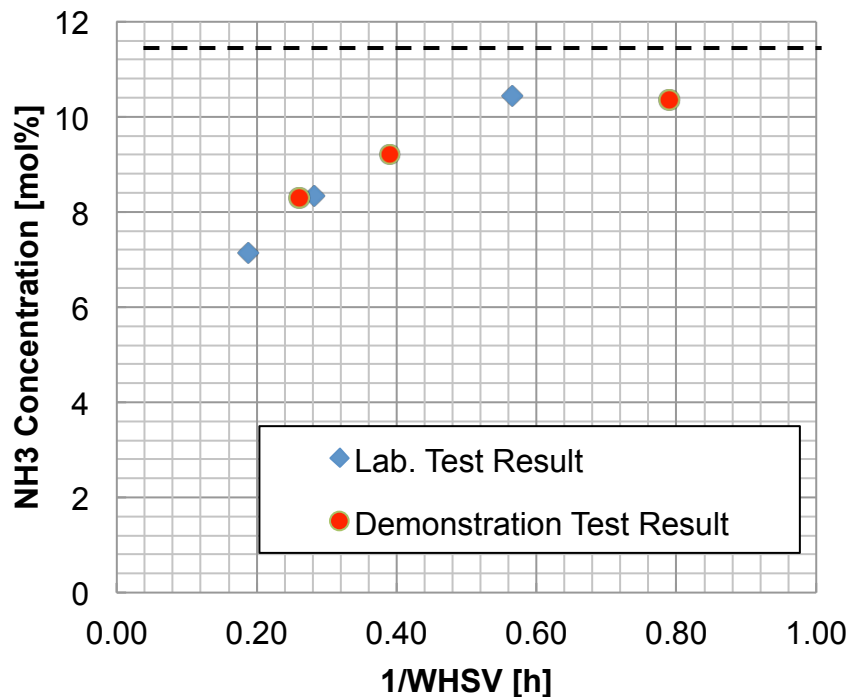
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- ✓ **2018.Jan: Construction Completed.**
- ✓ **2018.Mar: Commissioning Completed.**
- ✓ **2018.Apr: Demonstration Plant **Operation Started**.**  
(Press Release: <http://www.jgc.com/en/ViewPdf/view/1940>)
- ✓ **2018.May: Expected Catalyst Performance confirmed  
at the Design Condition.**
- ✓ **2018.Aug: **CO<sub>2</sub>-free Hydrogen based Ammonia** successfully produced,  
and Power Generated by **100% Ammonia Gas Turbine**.**

(Press Release: <http://www.jgc.com/en/ViewPdf/view/2065>)



# JGC Comparison between Lab. Test and Demonstration Test



Equilibrium Concentration

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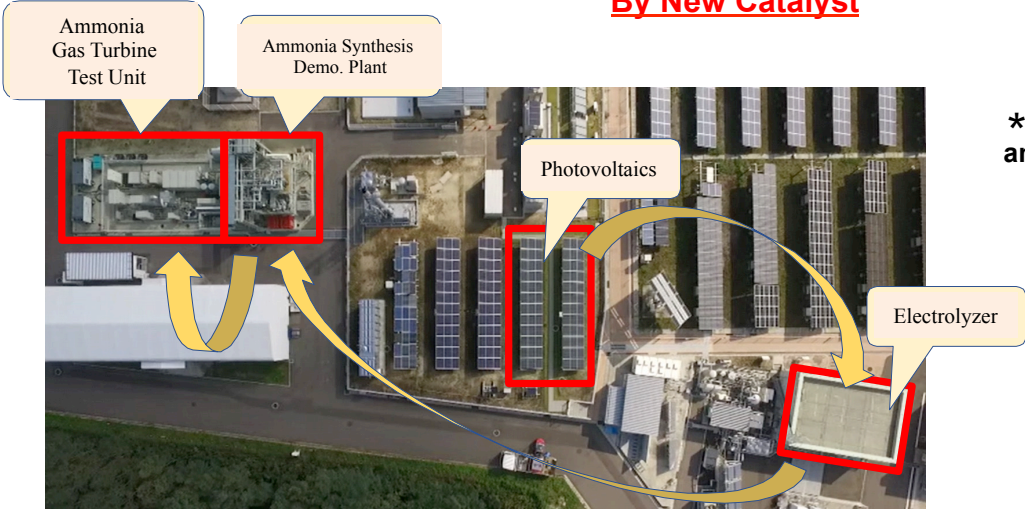
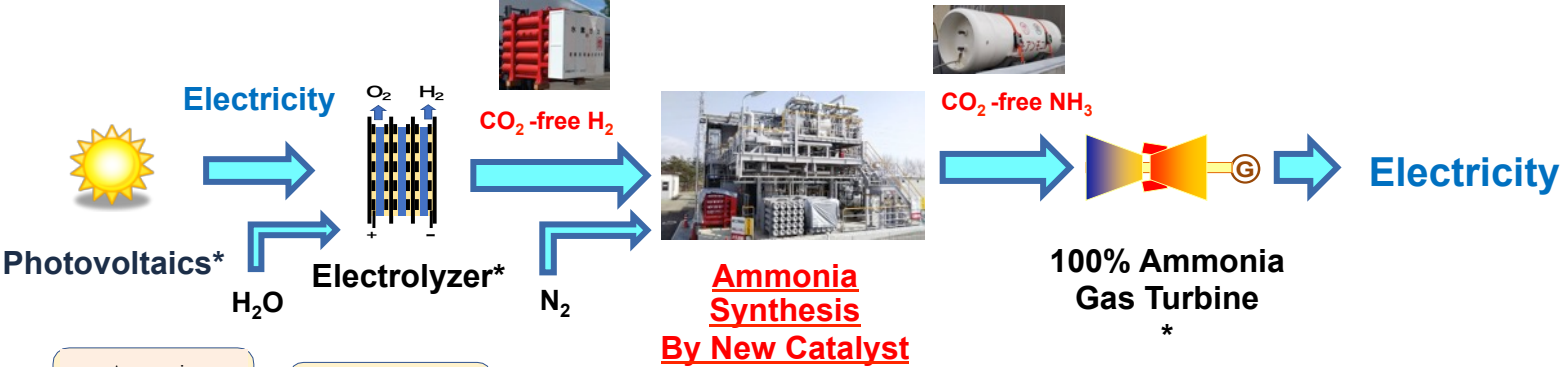
Rx Inlet Temperature : 400°C

Rx Pressure : 5MPaG

H<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> Ratio : 1.0

Demonstration Test Results are almost equal to Lab. Test Results.

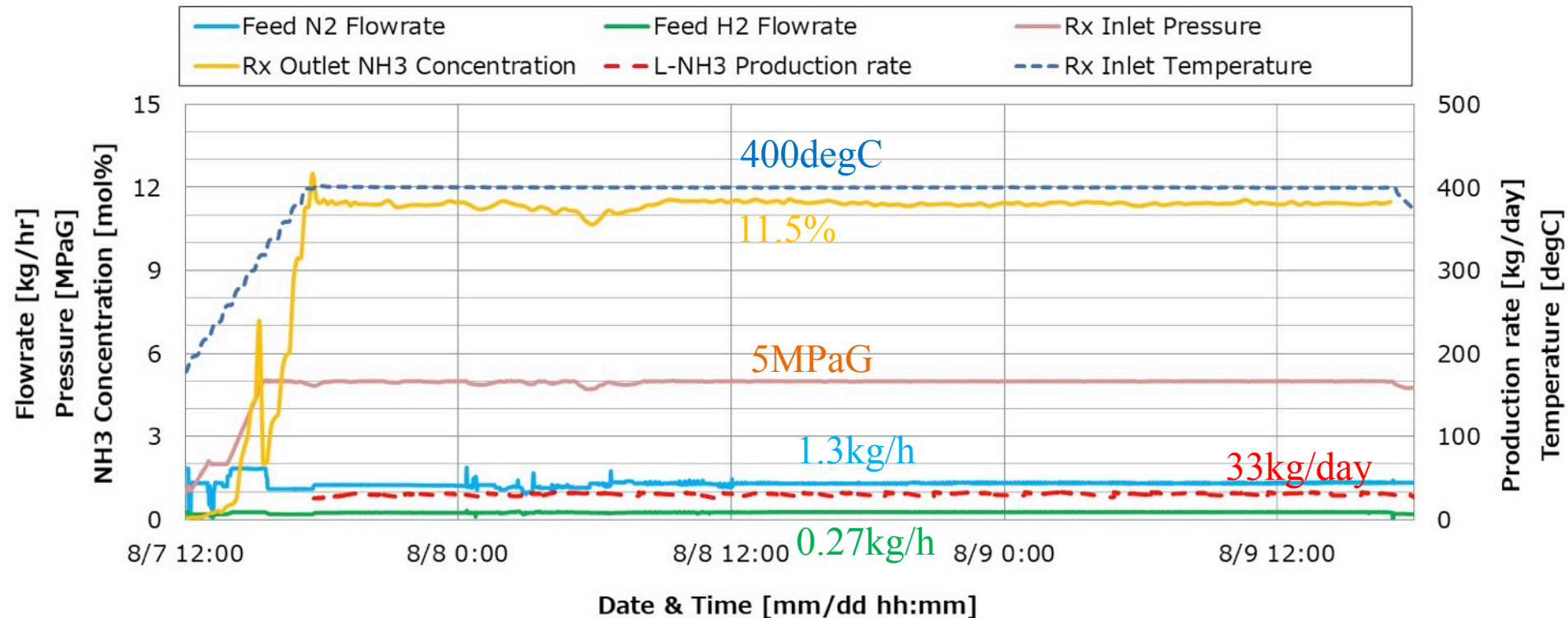
# Demonstration of CO<sub>2</sub>-free Ammonia Value Chain



\* ) Collaboration with AIST-FREA, and SIP Ammonia Direct Combustion Team

World's First Demo.  
by this scheme !

# JGC Operation with Renewable Energy-Generated Hydrogen



# Future Plan

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- ✓ In the near future, **fluctuation operation** simulating variable renewable energy will be conducted, to confirm -
  - (a) Ru Catalyst high activity under feed gas **flowrate rapid increase/decrease** operation,
  - (b) ammonia plant operation **flexibility** (allowable turn down range)
  
- ✓ In the near future, **commercial scale** plant design and cost study will be conducted.

# Summary

- ✓ Ammonia is a promising **energy carrier for CO<sub>2</sub>-free power generation**.
- ✓ The demonstration plant of ammonia synthesis using the developed catalysts has been **in operation from early 2018**.
- ✓ **CO<sub>2</sub>-free ammonia production** using renewable energy - generated hydrogen as feedstock has been conducted.
- ✓ In the near future, **fluctuating operation** simulating variable renewable energy will be conducted. And **commercial scale** plant design and cost study will be conducted.
- ✓ JGC will contribute to **decarbonization and energy supply chain**.



# Acknowledgement

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