



LIST OF PROJECTS OFFERED TO INCOMING STUDENTS FROM THE COOPER UNION UNIVERSITY - Research Group on Energy Engineering MMT-1

Internship 1

Research Line:

Research on thermodynamic properties at high pressure and high temperature of new bio-fuels obtained from renewable sources.

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Description:

Over the last decades the reduction of emissions during production, transportation, storage and, of course, the use of industrial fluids in engines and energy industry has become a very important worldwide objective. Considerable effort is being spent on the development of low carbon technologies, with the aim of reducing emissions. Energy industrial fluids like bio-fuels, CO₂-fluid mixtures, refrigerants, heat transport liquids, phase change materials for energy storage or lubricants present frequently a complex mixture of a large number of components that have to meet international standards and quality criteria.

Many new compounds have to be produced and developed to reduce pollutants from transportation and energy industry exhaust gases and effluents. Proponents of these new low carbon fluids claim several advantages: they improve physic and chemical properties, they can be produced from renewable agricultural and raw materials instead of fossil sources, and they reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

This project concerns with the accurate measurement, correlation and prediction of thermodynamic and transport properties of in new low carbon energy fluids, (including but not limited to bio-fuels, CO₂-fluid mixtures, refrigerants, heat transfer fluids, lubricants, phase change materials for energy storage, etc.) such as density, viscosity, thermal conductivity, isobaric heat capacity, vapor-liquid equilibrium behaviour, water immiscibility range, distillation curve, mixing enthalpy and heating values, at different pressure and temperature conditions.

Priority Area:

Renewable energy, sustainability



Student profile:

Mechanical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, B.Sc. Physics, B.Sc. Chemistry



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