

Membrane Distillation

PTFE

H₂¹⁸O

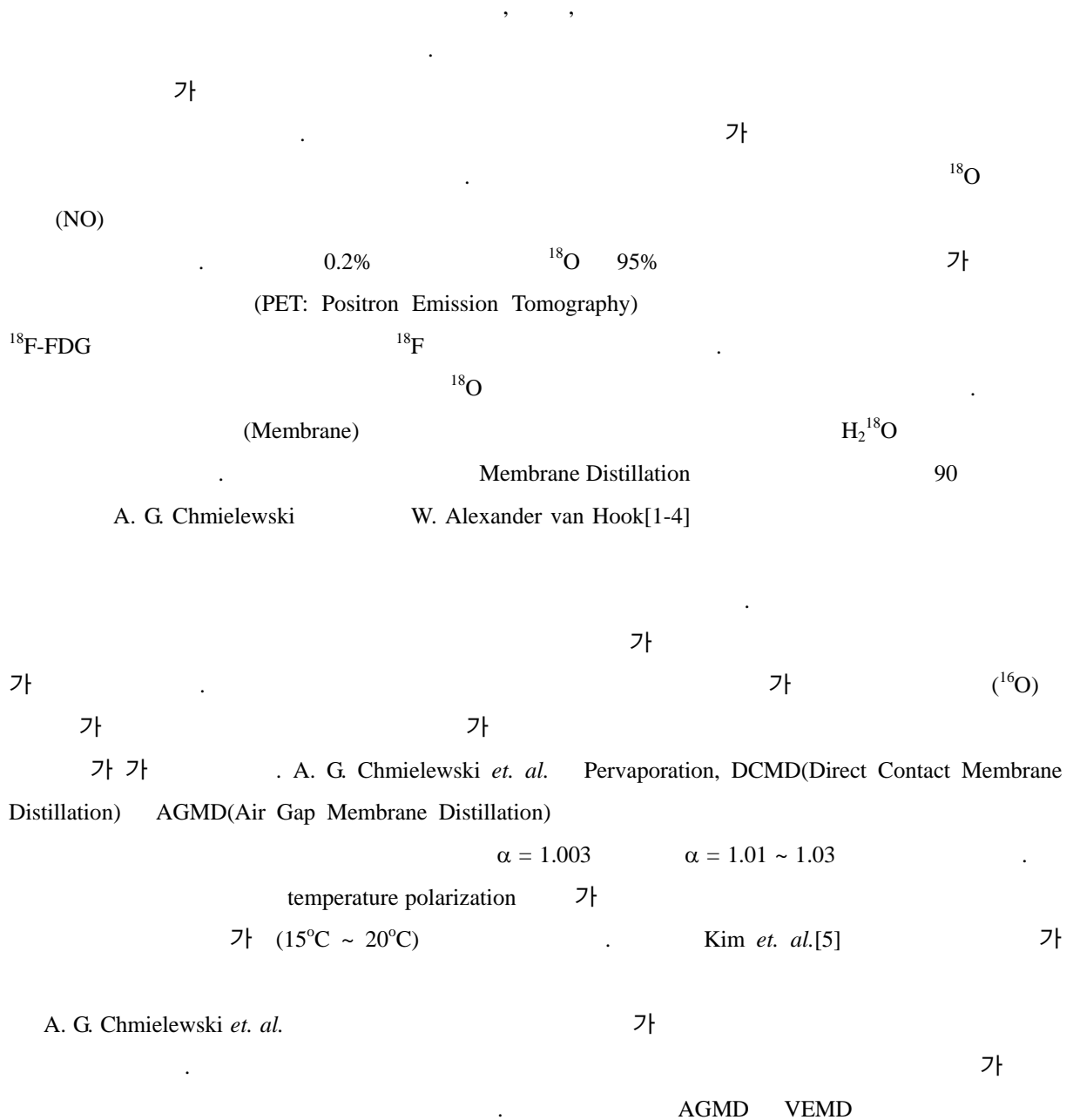
Separation of H¹⁸O using Membrane Distillation of PTFE Hydrophobic Membrane

| Membrane Distillation | PTFE(Polytetrafluoroethylene) | H ₂ ¹⁸ O | Air Gap |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| AGMD | Vacuum Enhanced Membrane Distillation(VEMD) | (permeation flux) | H ₂ ¹⁸ O |
| heat exchange funnel | | 50°C | |
| AGMD | VEMD | 0.5 ~ 4.0 L/hr/m ² | 1.2 ~ 9.3 L/hr/m ² |
| peak-to-peak | ¹⁸ O | 1.0074 ~ 1.013 | 1.01 ~ 1.014 |
| | (production rate) | | VEMD |
| | | AGMD | |

Abstract

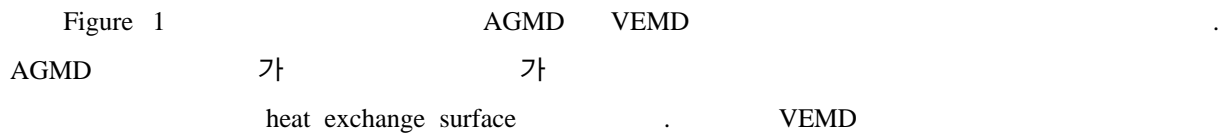
In this research, the permeation and separation characteristics of the H₂¹⁸O isotopic water with the hydrophobic PTFE membrane using Air Gap Membrane Distillation(AGMD) and Vacuum Enhanced Membrane Distillation(VEMD) were investigated. Permeation fluxes were measured by weighing the membrane-permeated water and the isotopic concentrations of H₂¹⁸O in the permeated water were analyzed by Diode Laser Absorption Spectroscopy. Permeation fluxes of 50°C water for the hydrophobic PTFE membranes were 1.5 ~ 4.0 L/hr/m² for AGMD and 1.2 ~ 9.3 L/hr/m² for VEMD under the various heat exchange funnel temperatures in the permeation cell. Also, isotope separation coefficients for the hydrophobic PTFE membranes were 1.007 ~ 1.013 for AGMD and 1.01 ~ 1.014 for VEMD under the certain conditions. Based on these results, VEMD is assumed to be more efficient for increasing the degree of oxygen isotope separation and the production rate than AGMD.

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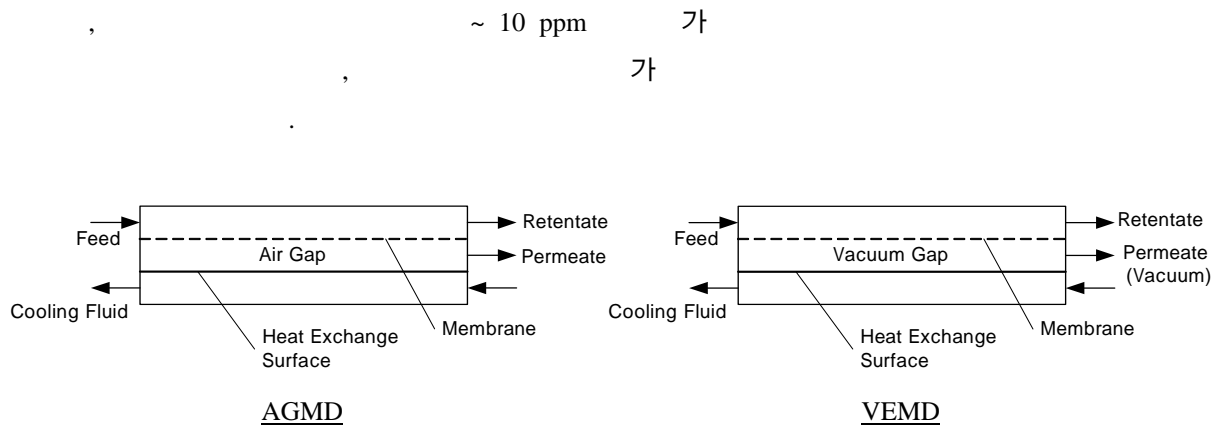


Figure 1. Configurations of AGMD and VEMD

(= 50°C, = 0.2 μm) VEMD Knudsen diffusion free path λ가 AGMD mean free path λ가 molecular diffusion Knudsen diffusion

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$$N_D = \frac{1}{Y_{ln}} \frac{D\varepsilon}{\chi\delta} \frac{M}{RT} (P_1 - P_0): \text{molecular flow} \quad (1)$$

$$N_K = 1.064 \frac{r\varepsilon}{\chi\delta} \left(\frac{M}{RT} \right)^{0.5} (P_1 - P_0): \text{Knudsen flow} \quad (2)$$

, Y_{ln} log-mean mole fraction membrane) $Y_{ln} \rightarrow 0$ Knudsen flow N_K . D , ε porosity , χ tortuosity factor, δ membrane thickness . M , R , T , r , P_1 P_0 . () , pressure gradient . 0.2 μm Knudsen diffusion AGMD molecular diffusion . distillation process membrane distillation (1) (2) 가 가 .

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PTFE (Millipore FGLP)
 0.2 μm, 150 μm, porosity 70% Figure 2 SEM (Scanning Electron
 Microscope)

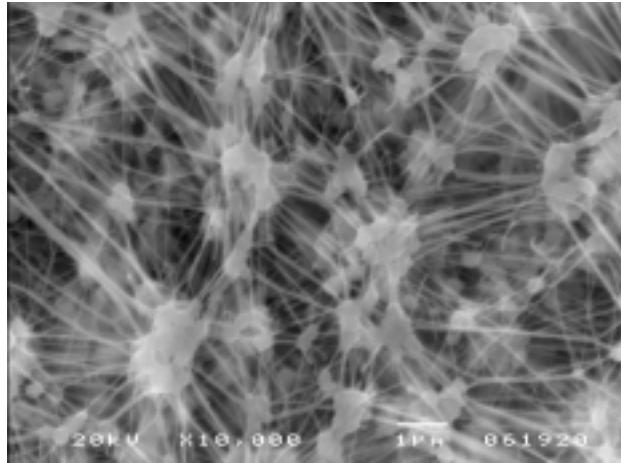


Figure 2. SEM(Scanning Electron Microscope) photograph of hydrophobic PTFE membrane with 0.2 μm pores on average

(Kim *et. al.*[5]) (permeation cell), ()
 , deionizer
 47 mm (12.56 cm²),
 (5 mm x 5 mm mesh),
 O-
 heat exchange funnel
 heat bath 가
 (peristaltic)
 heat exchange funnel chiller heat
 exchange funnel 50°C
 AGMD , VEMD . VEMD AGMD
 heat exchange funnel 15°C, 20°C, 25°C, 45°C(
 chiller)
 . 0.1°C
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 retentate() permeate
 () H₂¹⁸O/H₂¹⁶O ([5, 7])
 , v₁(symmetric

vibrational stretching mode), ν_2 (anti-symmetric vibrational stretching mode), ν_3 (vibrational bending mode) 3

1.39 μm ($\sim 7190 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) $\nu_1 + \nu_3$
 - (rovibrational) peak H_2^{18}O H_2^{16}O -
 7183.5864 cm^{-1} 7183.6856 cm^{-1} [8]. $\text{H}_2^{17}\text{O}/\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$ peak 가
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 (Sacher, Model TEC 500-1380) $\sim 3 \text{ mW}$ Littman
 가 가 36 m (Newfocus, Model 5611)
 S/N lock-in-amplifier(Stanford Research Systems,
 Model SR850) 1st harmonic peak-to-peak ratio
 7 torr
 40

Agilent Vee Beer-Lambert
 H_2^{18}O (3) term
 x H_2^{18}O
 H_2^{18}O (H_2^{17}O) H_2^{16}O line intensity $I(\nu) = I_o \exp[-S(T)g(\nu - \nu_o)nl]$
 I_o $I(\nu)$ $S(T)$ line strength, $g(\nu - \nu_o)$ ν 가
 line-shape function, n number density l optical path length 가
 $S(T)$ $g(\nu - \nu)$ H_2^{18}O (H_2^{17}O) H_2^{16}O line
 intensity ratio $a = \ln[I(\nu)/I_o]$ (3) term i
 H_2^{18}O (H_2^{17}O)

$$\alpha = \frac{\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)_{\text{retentate}}}{\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)_{\text{permeate}}} \approx \frac{\left(\frac{a_i}{a_{16}}\right)_{\text{retentate}}}{\left(\frac{a_i}{a_{16}}\right)_{\text{permeate}}} \quad (3)$$

3.

AGMD 50°C, heat exchange funnel 45°C (chiller
 funnel) 50 mL/min, 100 mL/mlm, 130 mL/min, 160 mL/min

Figure 3(a)

Chmielewski *et. al.*[4] R. W. Schofield *et.*

al.[9]

Figure 3(b) AGMD VEMD

(160 mL/min)

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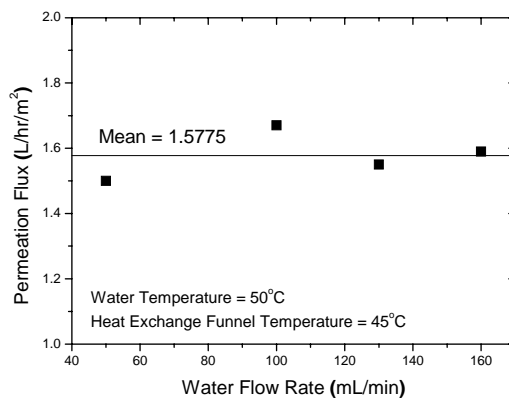
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 driving force가 AGMD 가 가
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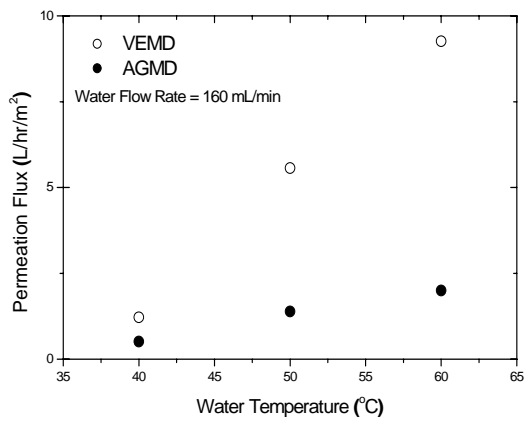
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3(c) 50°C 160 mL/min deaeration heat exchange funnel
 가 (1)
 가
 가 VEMD 가

$$\Delta P = P_1 - P_0$$



(a)



(b)

Figure 5(a)

AGMD $\delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰})$

50°C heat exchange funnel 가

45°C, 25°C, 20°C, 15°C $\Delta T = 5^\circ\text{C}, 25^\circ\text{C}, 30^\circ\text{C}, 35^\circ\text{C}$

inlet outlet ^{18}O

$\delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰}) = -7.35\text{‰}, \delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰}) = -10.67\text{‰}, \delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰}) = -12.46\text{‰}, \delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰}) = -13.33$

$\alpha = 1.0074, 1.0107, 1.0125, 1.0133$ deaeration

VEMD, 50°C heat exchange funnel 가

45°C, 20°C $\Delta T = 5^\circ\text{C}, 30^\circ\text{C}$ Figure 5(b) ^{18}O

$\delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰}) = -10.18\text{‰}, \delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{‰}) = -14.42\text{‰}$ ^{18}O

$\alpha = 1.0102, 1.0144$ [10] Table 2 VPIE(Vapor Pressure Isotope Effects), AGMD, VEMD AGMD

VPIE $\Delta T = 5^\circ\text{C}$

VEMD VPIE 2

Membrane Distillation

가 AGMD($\Delta T = 5^\circ\text{C}$)

Chmielewski *et. al.*[4] 30%

TPC(Temperature Polarization coefficient) = $(T_{so} - T_{sL})/(T_o - T_L)$ 가 0.2

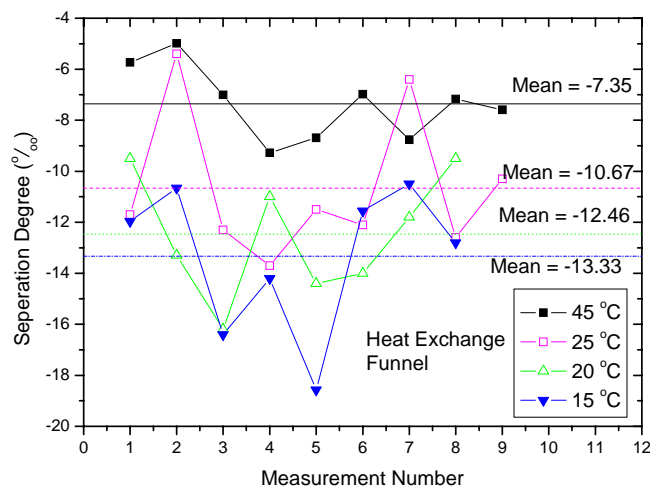
Chmielewski *et. al.* 0.1~0.2

TPC 가

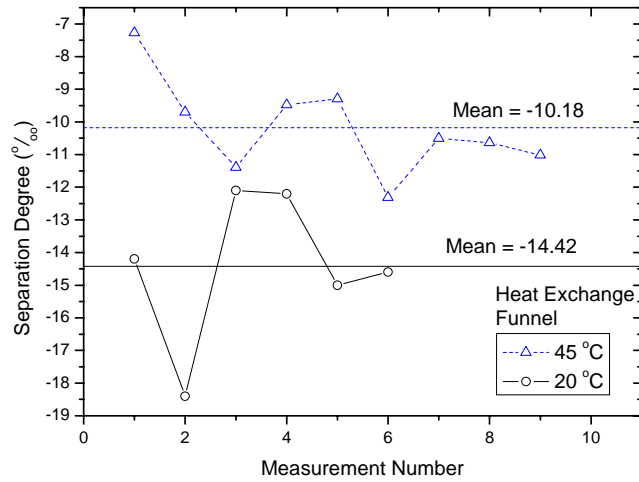
T_{so} T_{sL} interfacial temperatures, T_o T_L

AGMD VEMD 가

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(a) AGMD



(b) VEMD

Figure 5. Degree of oxygen isotope separation for hydrophobic PTFE membrane. (a) AGMD at water temperature = 50°C under various heat exchange funnel temperatures = 45°C, 25°C, 20°C, and 15°C (b) VEMD at water temperature = 50°C under various heat exchange funnel temperatures = 45°C and 20°C

Table 2. Comparison of O¹⁸ oxygen isotope separation coefficients for AGMD, VEMD, and Distillation(VPIE).

| ΔT (°C) at $T_o = 50^\circ\text{C}$ | AGMD (α) | VEMD (α) | Distillation (α) at 50 °C |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 5 | 1.0074 | 1.0102 | 1.0071 |
| 25 | 1.0107 | - | 1.0071 |
| 30 | 1.0125 | 1.0144 | 1.0071 |
| 35 | 1.0133 | - | 1.0071 |

4.

AGMD VEMD PTFE
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 가 AGMD($\Delta T = 5^\circ\text{C}$)
 Chmielewski *et. al.*[4]
 VEMD deareation 가 pressure
 gradient 가 가
 가 membrane mass and heat transfer 가

