

## Separation Characteristics of Oxygen Isotopes with Hydrophobic Membranes

150

0.2%                      O-18                      가 95%

가 1                      50                      β                      F-18                      . F-18

(PET: Positron Emission Tomography)

<sup>18</sup>F-FDG                      . O-18                      NO(nitric Oxide)

가가                      ,                      ,

.                      ,                      O-18

O-18                      .

(Membrane Diffusion)                      H<sub>2</sub><sup>16</sup>O                      H<sub>2</sub><sup>18</sup>O

PTFE

6‰

### Abstract

O-18 stable isotope is used as a target in cyclotron for the production of β-emitter F-18 whose half-life is about 1 hour 50 minutes. F-18 is used for the composition of labeled compound <sup>18</sup>F-FDG which is injected to the patients prior to PET(Positron Emission Tomography) scan. Currently, O-18 is produced by the cold distillation of NO and fractional distillation of water only in the US, Russia, and Israel. Since the oxygen isotope production processes are costly and also limited for technology transfer, R&D for more efficient and independent O-18 production process has been claimed by the medical industry during the last several years. For the development of the advanced O-18 separation process, we experimented the permeation characteristics of the hydrophobic PTFE membrane dependent on the water temperature and pressure. Also, degree of O-17 and O-18 isotope separation was measured by diode laser absorption spectroscopy with 6‰ accuracy.

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99.76% O-16, 0.04% O-17, 0.2% O-18  
 O-18 95% ( 가 )  
 (PET: Positron Emission Tomography)  $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG F-18  
 F-18 가 1 50  
 PET CT MRI PET PET  
 가 가 가 가 가 가 PET  
 가 가 가 가 가 가 PET  
 O-18 95% 가 220,000 /g  
 NO , ,  
 O-18 가  
 가 O-18  
 100  
 1940 60  
 70  
 Hook 90 A. G. Chmielewski W. Alexander van  
 가 <sup>1</sup>  
 (~ 50 °C) <sup>2,3</sup>  
 (Separation Stage) 4 units  
 Cascade가 <sup>4</sup>  
 $\alpha = 1.003$   $\alpha = 1.01$   
 Chmielewski et. al. <sup>1</sup> 가  
 (15 °C ~ 20 °C) 가  
 가  
 $\text{H}_2^{18}\text{O}/\text{H}_2^{19}\text{O}$

(1.39 μm)

6‰

2.

가)

O-16, O-17 O-18

가

(O-16)

가

가

가

가

O-18

가

Mean Free Path(λ)가

가

λ

.<sup>5</sup>

$$l = \frac{kT}{\sqrt{2}pd^2} \tag{1}$$

k (= 1.38 x 10<sup>-23</sup> J/K) Boltzman, d (Collision Diameter) (~ 4.3 μm), T, P 가 313 K, 333 K, 363 K

λ 0.72 μm, 0.28 μm, 0.087 μm λ가

Knudsen Flow

λ가

Bulk Flow

0.2 μm

λ

Flow Regime

가 Bulk Flow, Knudsen

Flow

(Permeation Flux)

.<sup>5</sup>

$$N = uer = \frac{npr d^4}{128hL} (P_o - P_L) : \text{Bulk Flow} \tag{2}$$

$$N = \frac{eD}{Lc} K_r (c_o - c_L) : \text{Knudsen Flow} \tag{3}$$

, Bulk Flow

v

$$u = d^2(P_o - P_L)/(32hL)$$

d

,  $P_o$ ,  $P_L$ ,  $h$ ,  $L$   
 $e$  Porosity  $e = npd^2/4$  n  
 $\rho$  Knudsen Flow D

$\chi$  (Tortuosity),  $K_r$

$C_o$ ,  $C_L$

$H_2^{18}O$ ,  $H_2^{16}O$  가 .  $0.2 \mu m$   
 가  
 $H_2^{18}O$ ,  $H_2^{16}O$

$$a_D = \sqrt{\frac{M_{18}(M_{16} + M_0)}{M_{16}(M_{18} + M_0)}} \quad a_K = \sqrt{\frac{M_{18}}{M_{16}}} \quad (4)$$

$\alpha_D$  ( : ,  $M_0$ )가 Molecular Diffusion  $\alpha_K$  가  
 Knudsen Diffusion . O-16, O-

17 O-18, H D -1 가  
 가 가 .

-1. Molecular Diffusion Knudsen Diffusion

Diffusion Type	H <sub>2</sub> O/HDO	H <sub>2</sub> <sup>17</sup> O/H <sub>2</sub> <sup>16</sup> O	H <sub>2</sub> <sup>18</sup> O/H <sub>2</sub> <sup>16</sup> O
Knudsen Diffusion ( $a_K$ )	1.0270	1.0274	1.0541
Molecular Diffusion ( $a_D$ )	1.0166	1.0198	1.0323

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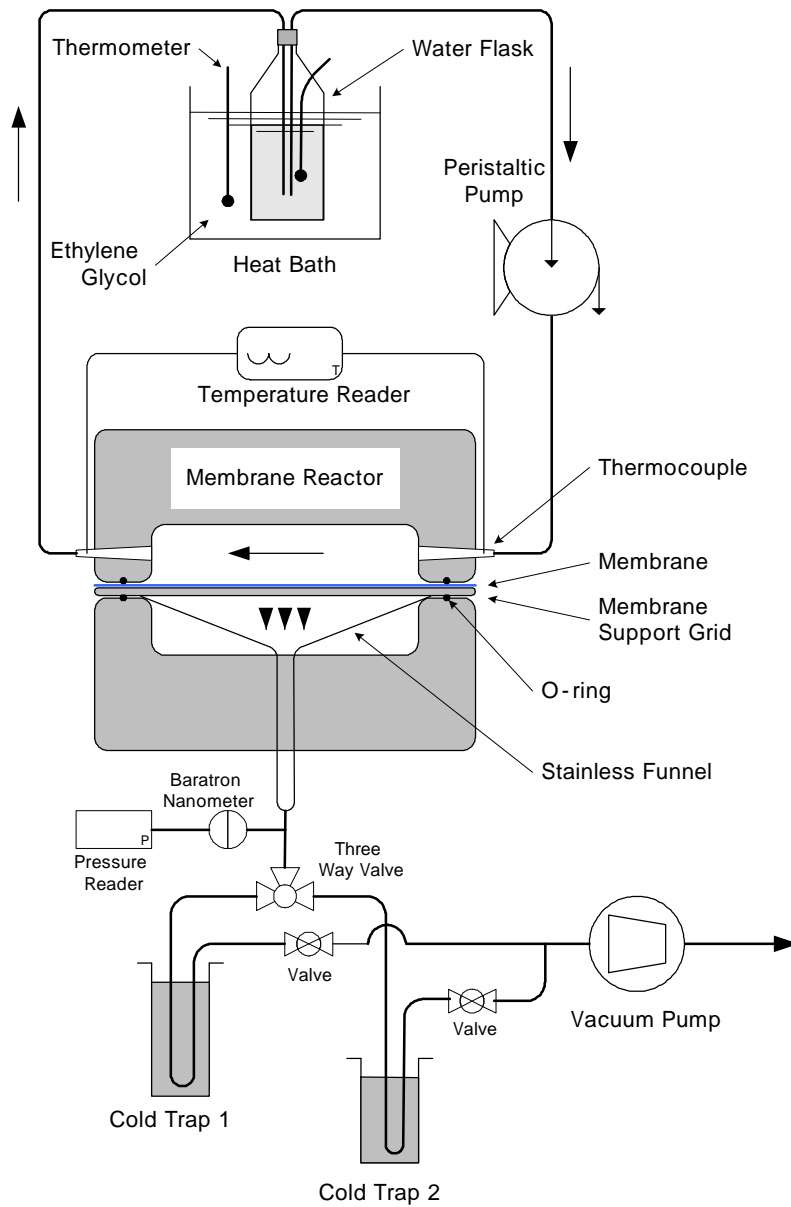
-1 (Membrane Reactor),  
 47mm

O- PTFE(Millipore FGLP)  
 0.2  $\mu m$  160 $\mu m$  .  
 ( 가

~ 5 °C) 가 ( )  
 가 ( )  
 42 °C ~ 44 °C 7

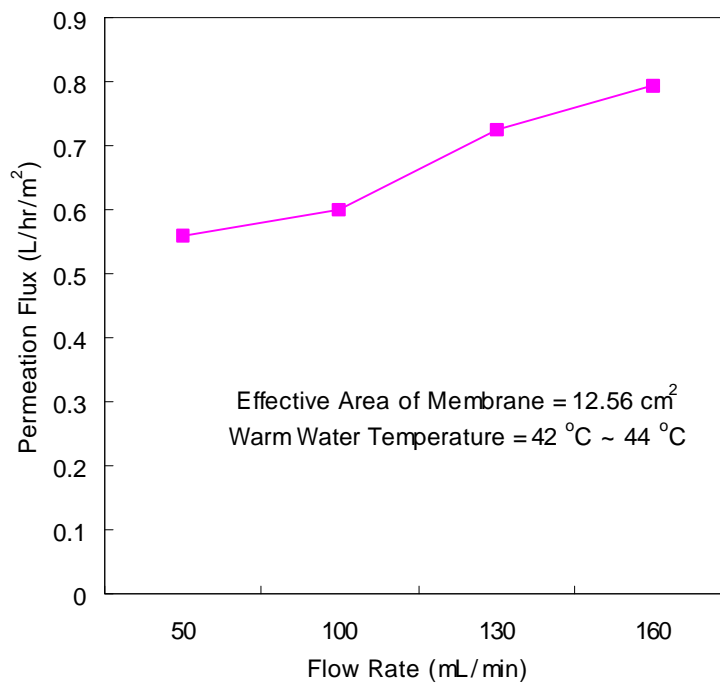
가  
 38 °C, 53 °C 68 °C 가 가  
 160 ml/min  
 O-18/O-16 O-17/O-16

$$a_{MD} = \frac{\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)_{\text{hot stream}}}{\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)_{\text{permeated}}} \quad (5)$$



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42 °C ~ 44 °C  
50, 100, 130 160 mL/min 7 ~ 8  
40 mm 12.56 cm<sup>2</sup> PTFE  
0.5 mL/hr m<sup>2</sup> 0.8 mL/hr m<sup>2</sup>  
가 가 (1)  
가 가 가  
-2

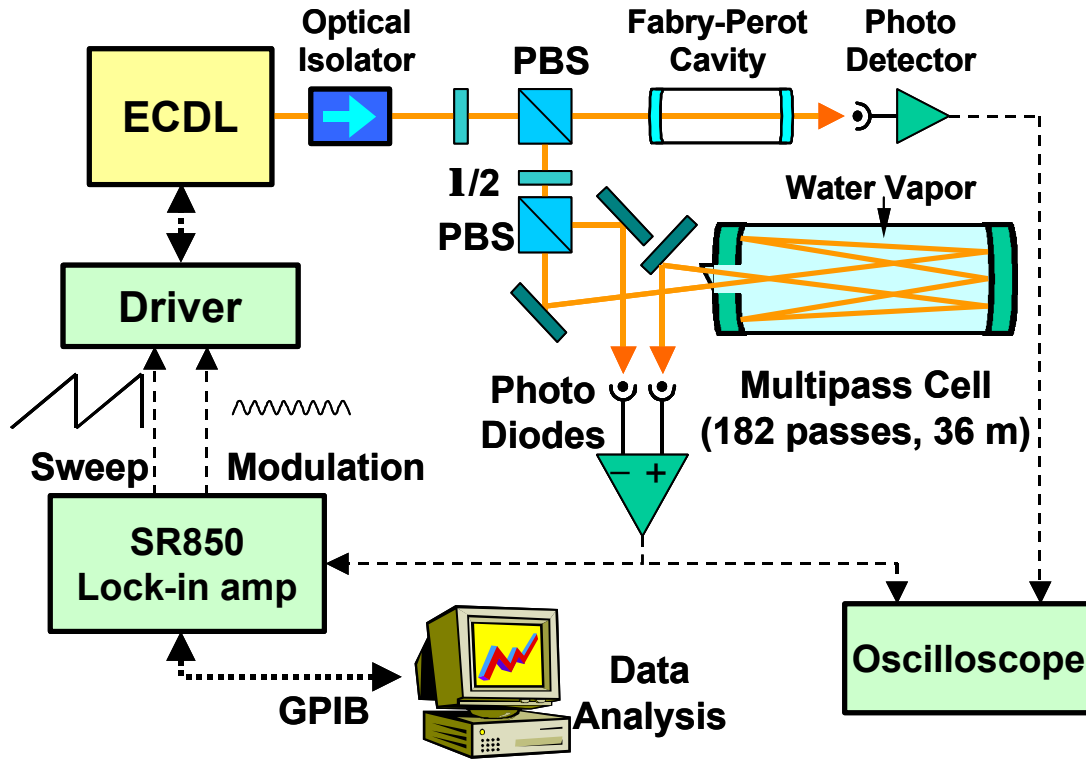


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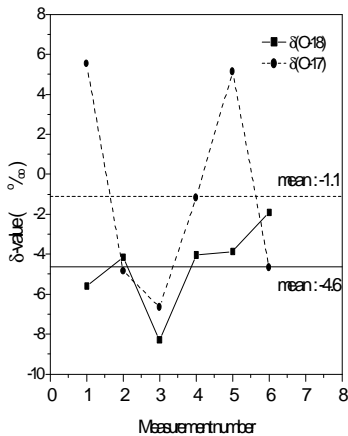
160 mL/min 38 °C, 52 °C 66  
°C 가 -3  
O-17 O-18 가 가 가 가 가



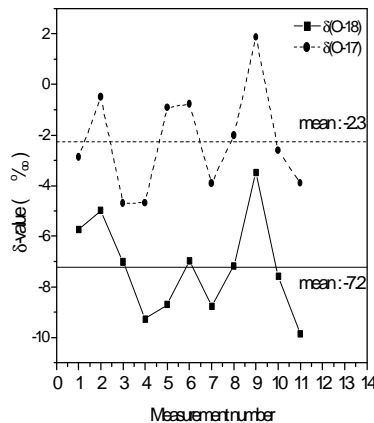
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O-18 O-17 (5)  
 $H_2^{18}O/H_2^{16}O$   $H_2^{17}O/H_2^{16}O$   
 가 38 °C, 52 °C 66 °C O-18 4.6‰, 7.2‰  
 7.7‰ ( $\alpha = 1.0077$ ), O-17 1.1‰, 2.3‰ 2.8‰ ( $\alpha = 1.0028$ )  
 가 가 .

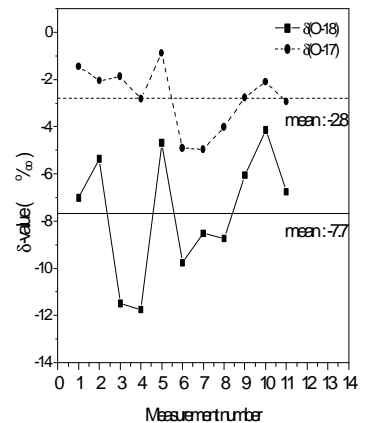
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(a) 38 °C



(b) 52 °C



(c) 66 °C

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PTFE O-17 O-18

52 °C

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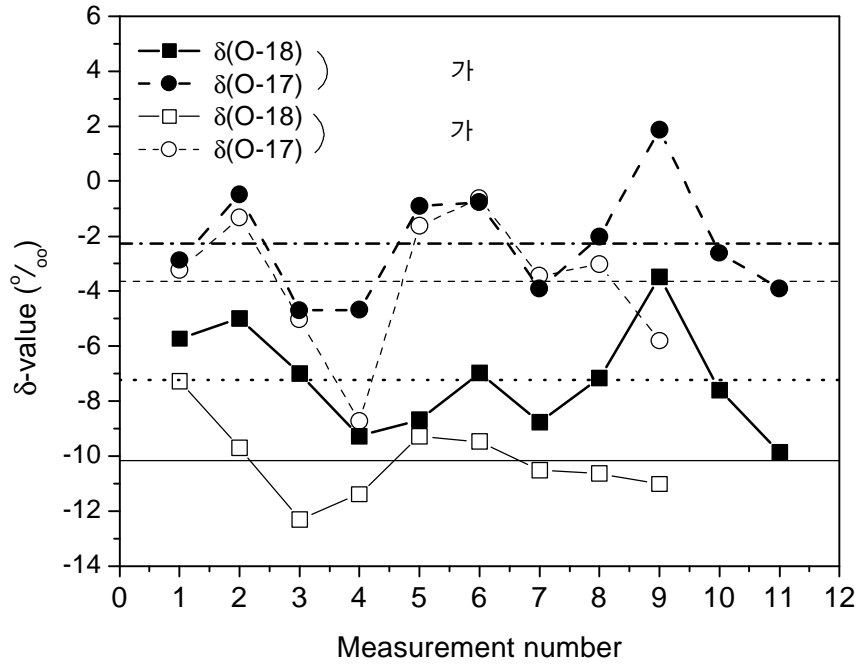
160 mL/min

10.2‰ ( $\alpha = 1.01$ )

가

가

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3.

PTFE  
(Permeation Flux)

가

가

O-18

Tail

Cascade

가

가

Cascade

Tail Production rate

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