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# Mechanical engineering-based hydrogen-embrittlement study

Establishment of advanced evaluation method for fatigue properties in presence of hydrogen and development of novel metallic materials with excellent resistance to hydrogen embrittlement

### Issues on hydrogen-related components

- ✓ Only expensive materials with lower strength are authorized to use for hydrogen-related components.
- ✓ Expensive and difficult-to-handle high-pressure hydrogen-gas testers prevent the expansion of hydrogen compatible materials.

### Prices of domestic hydrogen-related components

	Current	Target
Hydrogen station	450 million yen	2.5 million yen
Fuel cell electric vehicles	7 million yen	Same level as ordinary passenger cars

Expanding manufacturers related to hydrogen industry is prevented.

## R&D towards accelerated development of hydrogen compatible materials

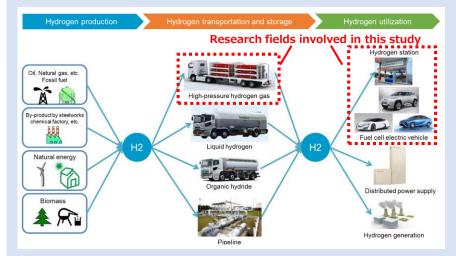
Establishment of inexpensive and easy-to-handle evaluation method

Increase in hydrogen compatible materials with lower cost and higher strength

These R&Ds enable the efficient development of low-cost hydrogenrelated components, without using expensive and difficult-to-handle testers and expensive materials with lower strength.

- ✓ Promoting manufacturers related to hydrogen industry
- ✓ Creation of virtuous circle of promotion of manufacturers ~
  improvement of competitiveness ~ development of low-cost materials

### Hydrogen utilization



- ✓ Hydrogen can be produced from diverse resources.
- ✓ It can be stored, transported and utilized in various fields.

It is expected that hydrogen utilization may solve various problems such as  $CO_2$  reduction, global warming, and energy self-sufficiency rate.

### Future outlook

- ✓ Dramatic acceleration of development speed via virtuous circle
- Creation of innovation related to hydrogen energy via promotion of manufacturers

### Proposal of new technologies from Fukuoka University

#### **\* METI:** Hydrogen production, transportation and storage

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