

Solutocapillary Transport of Oxygen Bubbles in Diffusion-Bubbling Membrane Core

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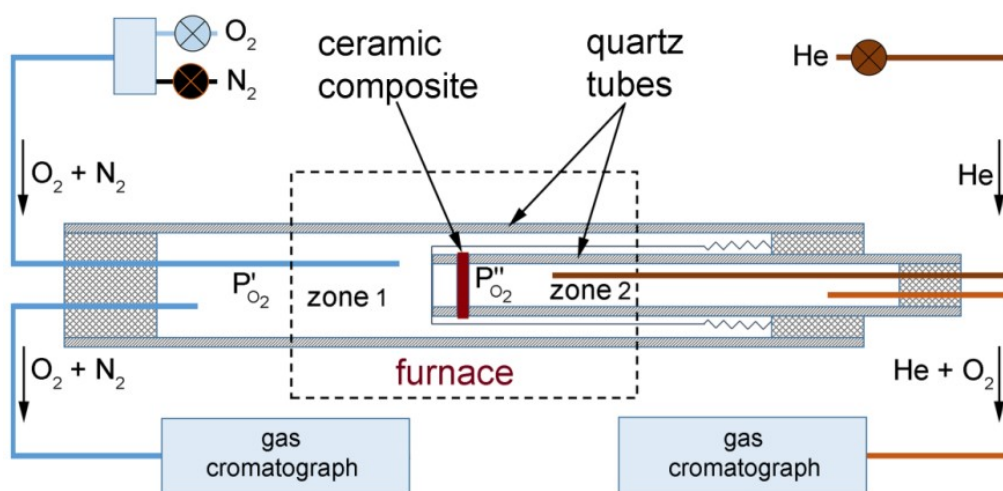
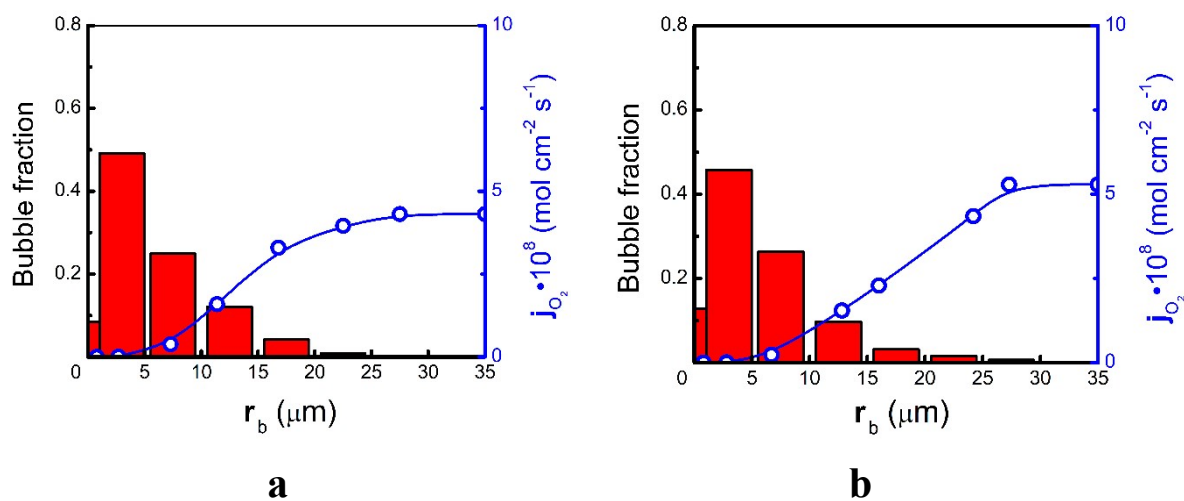


Figure S1. Schematic of experimental facility for thermal treatment of initial CuO - 25 wt % $Cu_5V_2O_{10}$ ceramic composite at 830 °C under an oxygen partial pressure difference [1].

Bubble size distribution and bubble density



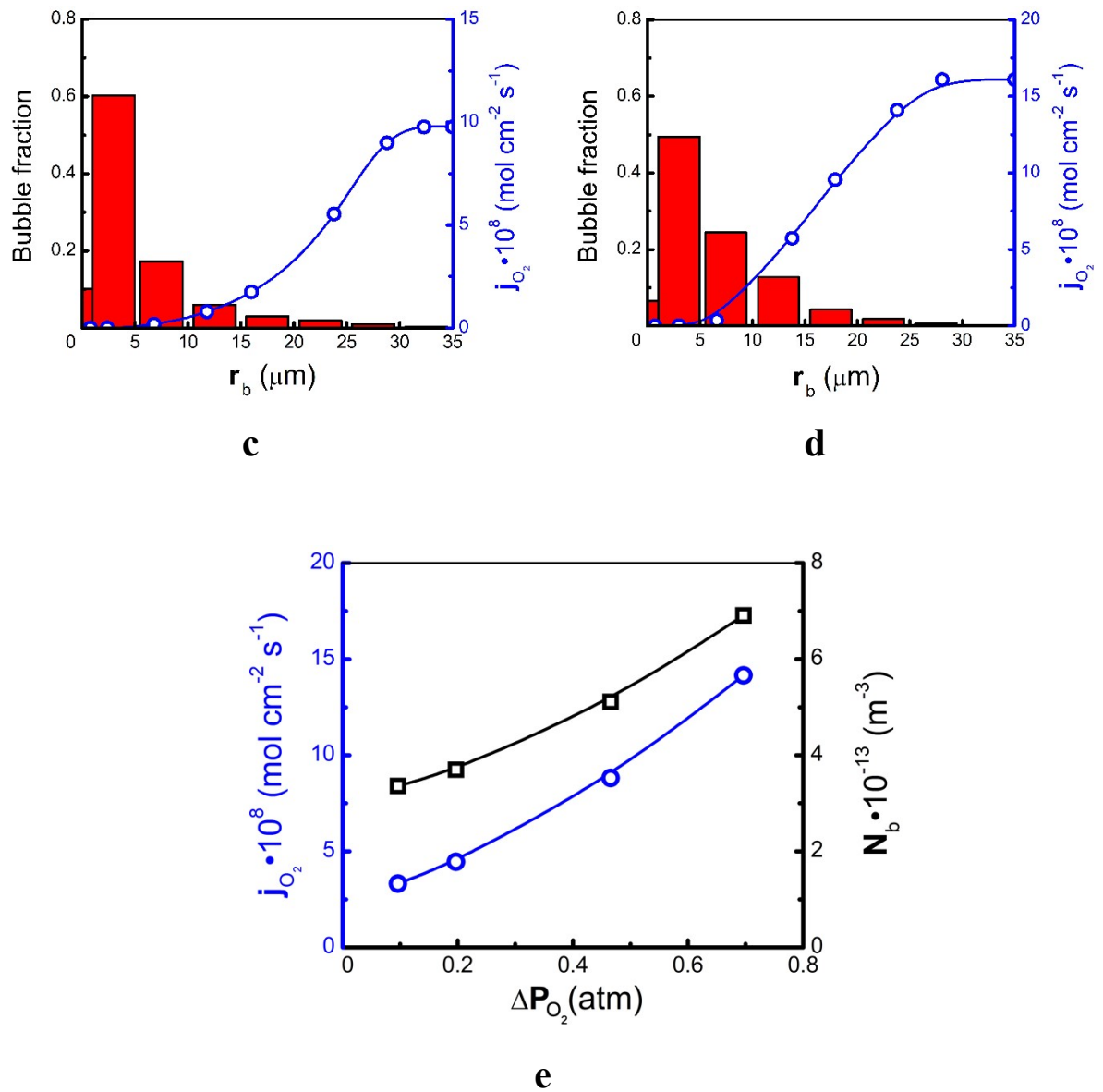


Figure S2. (a) – (d) Bubble size distribution in the core of $\text{CuO} - 25 \text{ wt}\% \text{ Cu}_5\text{V}_2\text{O}_{10}$ DBM and cumulative oxygen flux through this membrane: (a) $\ln(P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{I}}/P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{II}}) = 2.04$, (b) $\ln(P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{I}}/P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{II}}) = 2.35$, (c) $\ln(P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{I}}/P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{II}}) = 2.72$, and (d) $\ln(P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{I}}/P_{\text{O}_2}^{\text{II}}) = 2.91$ [2]. (e) Bubble density in the core of the DBM vs oxygen partial pressure difference across the membrane [2].

Viscosity

Table S1. Measured viscosities in Cu_2O melts in equilibrium with Cu [3].

First measurement C8		Second measurement C14	
Temperature/ K	Viscosity/ Pa s	Temperature/ K	Viscosity/ Pa s
1588	0.0109	1588	0.0098
1573	0.0117	1573	0.0101
1548	0.0123	1548	0.0110
1523	0.0141	1523	0.0137
1513	0.0147		

Oxygen adsorption

The parameter $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2$, where Γ_1 and Γ_2 are the adsorption of oxygen at opposite poles of the bubble, was estimated for the DBM operating temperature (830 °C) at different oxygen partial pressure P_{O_2}' and P_{O_2}'' by extrapolation of the data presented in Fig. S3 using the Box Lucas model (<https://www.originlab.com/doc/Origin-Help/BoxLucas1-FitFunc>) in OriginPro 8:

$$\Gamma_i = a \left(1 - e^{-\frac{b10^3}{T}} \right), \text{ where } i = 1, 2 \text{ and } a \text{ and } b \text{ are the fitting factors (Table S2).}$$

Table S2.

P_{O_2}'	$a \times 10^{16}$	b	$\Gamma_1 \times 10^4$ mol m ⁻²	P_{O_2}''	$a \times 10^{17}$	b	$\Gamma_2 \times 10^4$ mol m ⁻²	$\Gamma \times 10^5$ mol m ⁻²
0.10	-1.13	-31.3811	2.25	0.013	-6.22	-31.9194	2.02	2.27
0.21	-1.39	-31.1869	2.34	0.020	-7.06	-31.8052	2.07	2.71
0.50	-1.79	-30.9609	2.45	0.033	-8.16	-31.6728	2.12	3.25
0.75	-2.01	-30.8557	2.50	0.041	-8.69	-31.6155	2.14	3.54

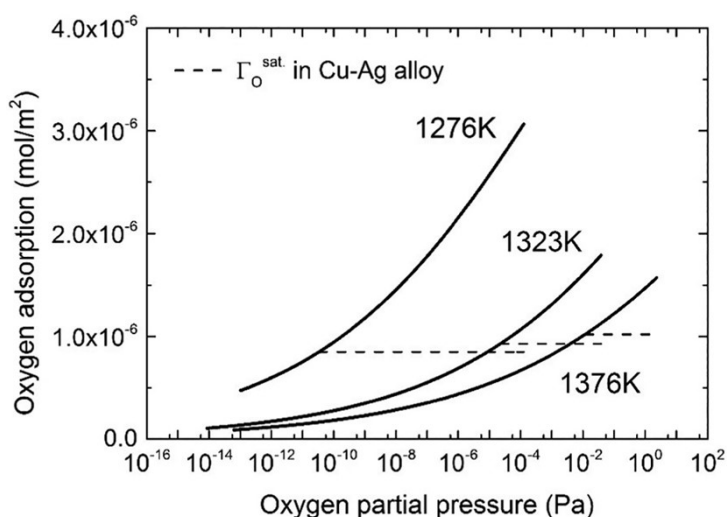


Figure S3. Oxygen adsorption on the surface of Ag₄₀Cu (in at.%) alloy at 1276, 1323 and 1376 K. (Dashed line: theoretically calculated oxygen adsorption at saturation on the Cu sites) [4].

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