

Green Hydrogen (H₂)

Green hydrogen is a highly sustainable, CO₂ neutral fuel, which can be produced using only renewable energy and water. It has the potential to become a major fuel source for v2.0 ships, and society in general.

Chemistry

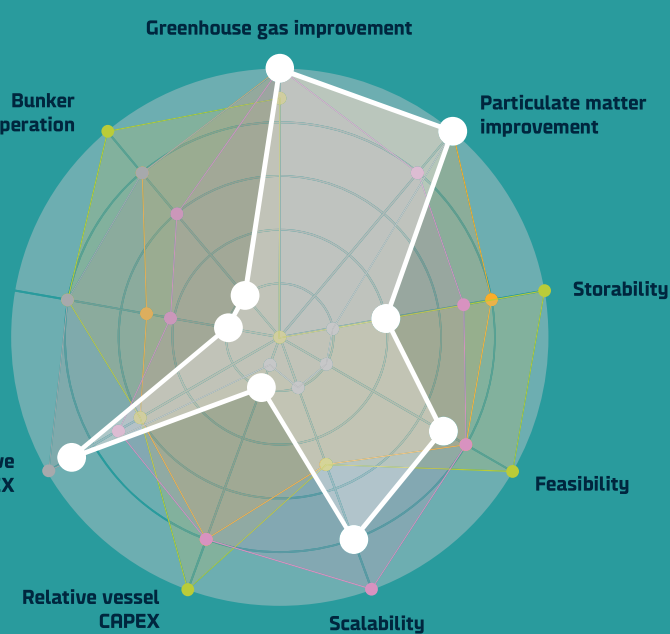
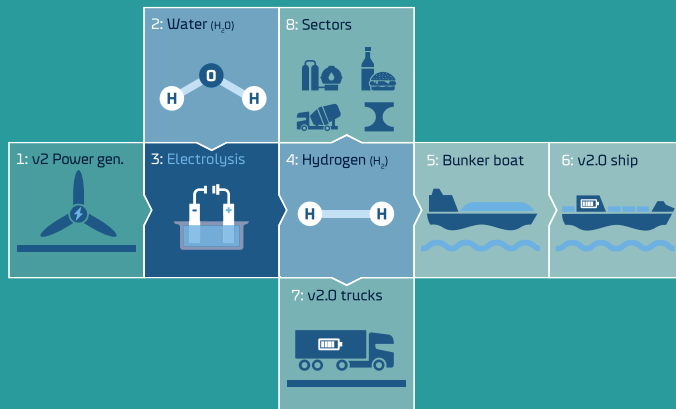
Dihydrogen is an elemental molecule consisting of two hydrogen atoms joined by a single bond.



Characteristics

- Odourless, colourless, tasteless, non-toxic gas in ambient environments.
- Hydrogen burns with an almost invisible blue flame which can cause very localized heating and explosion or rupture of pressure vessels.
- Hydrogen is very difficult to store and handle in large quantities. It is much lighter than air – so light that it escapes the Earth's atmosphere if spilled.

Production and consumption



| | MJ/L | MJ/kg |
|----------------------|------|-------|
| Hydrogen (pressure) | 4.7 | 120 |
| Hydrogen (cryogenic) | 9.7 | 120 |
| Ammonia | 11.3 | 18.4 |
| Ammonia -33° | 11.3 | 18.4 |
| Methanol | 15.6 | 19.7 |
| Pyrolysis (MASH) | 35.8 | 36.5 |
| Electricity | 3.6 | 0.7 |
| HFO | 42.1 | 42.6 |
| LNG -162° | 20.3 | 48 |

| | M ³ | Tons |
|----------------------|----------------|------|
| Hydrogen (pressure) | 707 | 28 |
| Hydrogen (cryogenic) | 343 | 28 |
| Ammonia | 294 | 181 |
| Ammonia -33° | 294 | 181 |
| Methanol | 213 | 169 |
| Pyrolysis (MASH) | 93 | 91 |
| Electricity | 923 | 4747 |
| HFO | 79 | 78 |
| LNG -162° | 164 | 69 |

Green hydrogen is made by using renewable electricity to split water into hydrogen and oxygen in an electrolysis process. Already today, hydrogen is being used in huge quantities in other sectors, such as the petrochemical, cement, fertilizer, metal and food industry. Hydrogen is also a great fuel in fuel cells for ships and trucks. Today, most of the hydrogen is being produced near to where it is consumed, as it is very difficult to handle and store. For shipping to adopt hydrogen as a fuel, we would need to have a new fleet of zero emission fuel cell ships and a new bunker infrastructure in place.

Learn more online about green hydrogen, check out relevant DFDS projects and join the dialogue.

