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## CFD modelling of Electric Arc Furnace Process for Sustainable Steelmaking



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*ABSTRACT:*

University of Leicester Electric Arc Furnace (EAF) is integral to ferrous metallurgy, offering a sustainable route for steelmaking through scrap recycling. However, challenges such as production quality, operational capacity, energy consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions continue to hinder its full potential. This research focuses on developing a Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) model to optimise the EAF process by simulating fluid flow, heat transfer and chemical reactions. The study emphasises the fundamental principles of multi-physics interactions within the furnace and their impact on EAF performance and sustainability. By aligning with circular economy principles, the research aims to provide actionable insights for improving process efficiency, reducing energy consumption and minimising CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. This work contributes to advancing the field of ferrous metallurgy by establishing a solid foundation for EAF digital twin model and facilitating the industry's transition towards more sustainable steelmaking.



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