

**Alternative to visbreaking or delayed coking of heavy crude oil through a short contact time,
solid transported bed cracking process**

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Electronic Supporting Information

Table S1. T Yields and cracked liquid properties for the cracking of extra-heavy crude oil in the presence of kaolin in the 510-580°C temperature range.

ID	10b	11b	12b	13b	14b	15	16	17	18
Trx (°C)	510	510	510	510	545	580	580	580	580
Residence time (s)	0,3	0,3	2,2	2,2	1,25	0,3	0,3	2,2	2,2
STO	8	12	8	12	12	12	20	12	20
Conversion (wt%)	35,4	38,9	39,3	41,0	36,9	36,5	42,6	42,5	34,2
Gases(wt%)	3,8	4,5	4,1	4,2	6,2	8,4	7,6	10,1	9,9
- Dry Gas (H ₂ + C ₁ -C ₂)	1,7	2,1	1,8	1,9	2,9	4,2	3,9	5,1	5,1
- LPG(C ₃ -C ₄)	2,1	2,4	2,3	2,3	3,3	4,2	3,7	5,0	4,8
Liquids (wt%)	72,7	70,1	72,1	73,0	76,5	74,2	72,5	73,4	73,1
-Gasoline (C ₅ -216°C)	8,0	9,0	9,0	9,5	10,7	13,5	13,5	16,0	15,6
- LCO(216-359°C)	21,6	22,3	22,1	22,9	23,9	25,4	26,1	24,5	25,1
- HCO (359-537°C)	36,4	33,9	35,4	35,0	35,1	31,7	30,0	28,4	28,3
- Resid (>537°C)	6,6	4,9	5,6	5,6	6,8	3,6	2,9	4,5	4,1
Coke (wt%)	23,6	25,4	23,8	22,8	17,3	17,4	19,9	16,5	17,0
Cracked liquids properties									
density (15°C)	0,9343	0,9313	0,9354	0,9337	0,9369	0,9302	0,9281	0,9365	0,9360
API (60°F)	19,8	20,3	19,6	19,9	19,4	20,5	20,8	19,5	19,5
Viscosity (cst,, 40°C)*	24,20	19,38	24,37	20,70	18,80	11,67	10,22	11,57	10,82
Metals (ppm)									
V	11	10	10	10	10	11	10	11	10
Ni	1	2	2	<1	1	<1	<1	2	<1
CCR (wt%)	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.2	3.1	3.1	2.8	5.0	4.7
n-C ₇ insolubles (wt%)	0,2	0,2	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,2

Table S2. Yields obtained with cracking Chichimene crude oil with kaolinite in the presence of a variable amount of Silica-Alumina (SA). 530-580°C temperature range.

ID	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
% SA in inventory		5			25			100	
Trx (°C)	530	555	580	530	555	580	530	555	580
Residence time (s)	0,3	1.2	2,0	0,3	1.2	2,0	0,3	1.2	2,0
STO	8	12	20	8	12	20	8	12	20
Conversion (wt%)	34,0	41,4	48,4	40,0	44,2	49,2	62,5	56,7	62,6
Gases(wt%)	4,2	6,9	10,3	4,6	6,7	9,7	4,9	7,2	9,8
- Dry Gas (H ₂ + C ₁ -C ₂)	2,0	3,4	5,4	2,1	3,2	4,6	1,6	2,7	3,9
- LPG(C ₃ -C ₄)	2,2	3,5	4,9	2,5	3,5	5,1	3,3	4,5	5,9
Liquids (wt%)	74,5	70,1	66,3	70,5	69,9	67,5	53,4	65,5	61,4
-Gasoline (C ₅ -216°C)	8,5	11,5	14,7	10,5	14,1	16,7	15,9	22,2	24,0
- LCO(216-359°C)	23,8	24,1	24,5	25,0	27,0	24,9	23,4	28,1	25,5
- HCO (359-537°C)	37,9	31,4	24,8	32,7	26,9	24,8	13,9	15,0	11,5
- Resid (>537°C)	4,3	3,1	2,3	2,3	1,9	1,1	0,3	0,2	0,4
Coke (wt%)	21,3	23,0	23,4	24,9	23,4	22,8	41,6	27,2	28,9

Table S3. Visual inspection for solvent instability of the cracked liquids. Solvent composition was 70 wt% o-xylene and 30 wt% n-octane. A sample unstable with this solvent composition (or higher o-xylene concentration) is considered unsuitable for pipeline transportation.




























Thermal cracking										
Run ID	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
										
Cracking in the presence of Kaolin										
Run ID	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
										
% Silica-Alumina										
	5 wt%			25 wt%						
Run ID	19	20	21	22	23	24				
										
Mixture of liquids from primary (crude oil) and secondary cracking (residual fraction) with kaolin										
Run ID	12+30	18+30								
										
Distilled liquid from recycle loop scheme(<537°C)										
Run ID	31									
										

Table S4. Summary of operating conditions for 2 reactors process combination

Cracking severity	low	medium	high
Trx (°C)	530	555	580
residence time (s)	0.3	1.1	2.2
STO	8	12	20
Combination ID	first reactor	second reactor	
C01		low	
C02	low	medium	
C03		high	
C04		low	
C05	medium	medium	
C06		high	
C07		low	
C08	high	medium	
C09		high	

Figure S1. Main yields obtained at 530°C, 0.3 second residence time and solid to oil ratio of 8 with kaolin, repeated runs. Number of runs do not correlate with Run ID in other tables, but indicates the number of tests performed with this same solid batch.

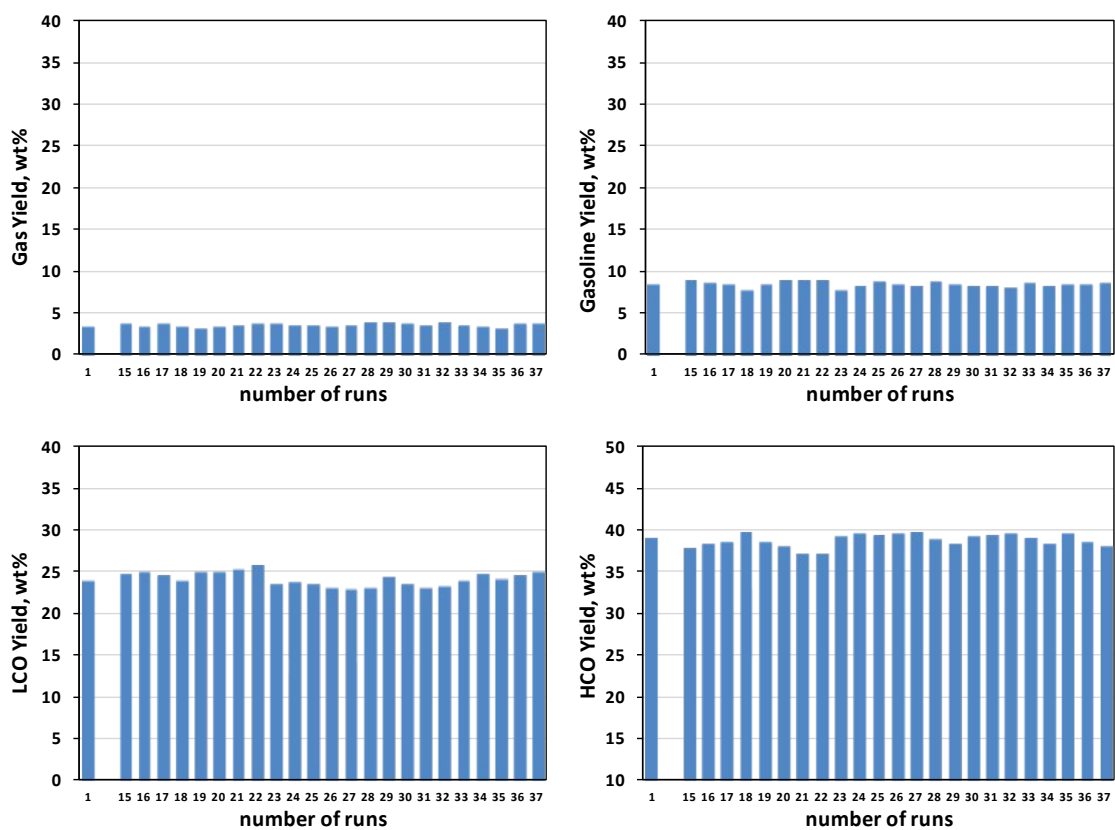


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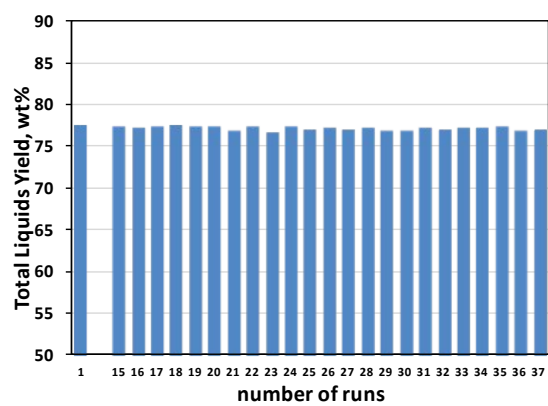
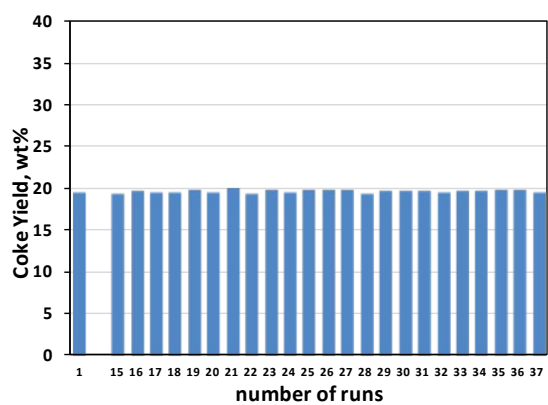
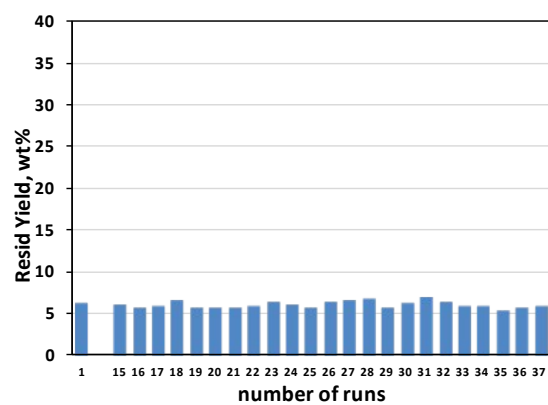


Figure S2. Mass balance for simulating a process with two reactors, combining the experimental yields from Run ID 10 and 28. Distillation Bottoms are assumed to contain 59.2 wt% resid (537+ fraction) and 40.8 wt% HCO (359-537°C fraction). Low severity cracking in both reactors (C#01)

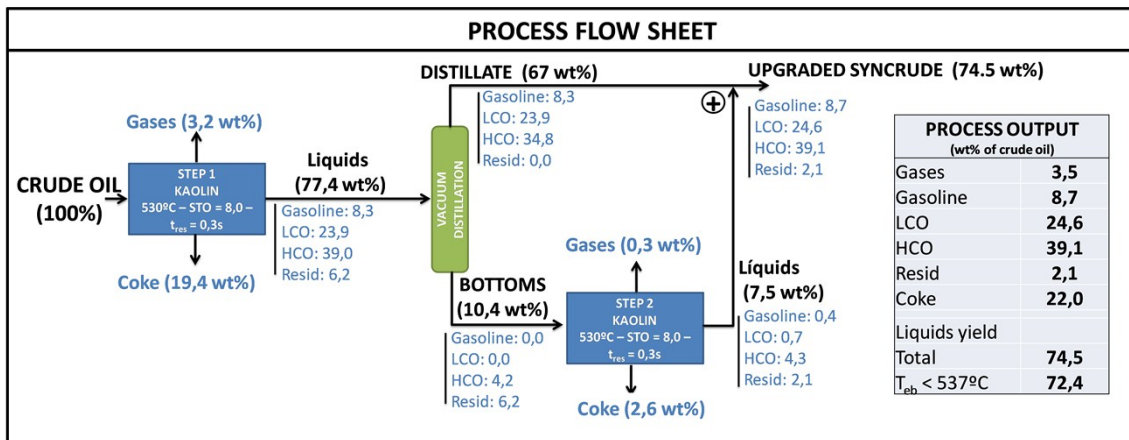


Figure S3. Mass balance in the two reactor scenario including a recycle loop combining the experimental yields from Run ID 10 and 28. Distillation Bottoms are assumed to contain 59.2 wt% resid (537+ fraction) and 40.8 wt% HCO (359-537°C fraction). Recycle ratio (Distillation Bottoms yield) is calculated to obtain 537+ fraction (resid fraction) elimination.

