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Publishable summary

D5.2 summarises the work that has resulted in the selection of the final ANIONE MEA design, a decision based on a single cell screening study performed by CNR-ITAE on 5 and 100 cm² cells. The final ANIONE MEA consists of a NiFe-oxide anode on a Ni-felt, an anion exchange membrane, and a Ni-alloy cathode on carbon gas diffusion layer. The information and results of the screening study have been transferred to IRD to scale-up the selected formulations for the full-size MEA manufacture. The scale-up challenges that have occurred and been overcome are also discussed. The scaled-up MEA performs as expected from the screening study. IRD is completing the manufacturing of 25 full size MEAs for the full size ANIONE stack. 25 MEAs are sufficient for additional small stack test and leaving a few MEAs for replacement if needed. Three (3) full-size MEAs have been manufactured by IRD and provided already to the partners; One (1) MEA was shipped to CNR-ITAE for electrochemical check, and two (2) MEAs were sent to Hydrogenics for the initial stack assembly trials. The latter has resulted in a small size adjustment of the MEA, but nothing that has significantly changed the manufacturing. CNR-ITAE tested the MEA with very encouraging results for both performance and durability. These test results made base for the decision of completing all 25 full size ANIONE MEAs. All 25 MEAs are expected to be delivered to Hydrogenics in November 2022.

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