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Full Name: Thermochemical Reactor with Solid Oxide Reduction and Coupled Heat Recovery

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This document serves the purpose of freely and publicly distributing the fundamental technical concept of an energy-autonomous, solid-state reactor for hydrogen release and utilization. The goal is to make the technology accessible to all people and to prevent monopolistic patenting by third parties.

Operating Principle:

The TRF-RgW is a closed, modular suitcase reactor based on an autothermal redox thermoreaction. It uses

- Magnesium hydride (MgH_2) for hydrogen release via endothermic dehydrogenation.
- Copper(II) oxide (CuO) for exothermic oxidation of the released hydrogen.
- Thermoelectric generators (TEGs) to convert the reaction heat into electrical energy.
- An integrated heat recovery and insulation system to operate the reactor autonomously over longer periods.

The reaction occurs purely in the solid state and without any moving parts.

The reactor only requires water to reactivate the MgH_2 - no external air supply or fossil fuels are needed.

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Technical Components (Excerpt):

- Reactor housing (metal suitcase, insulated)
- MgH₂ module (hardened, exchangeable cartridge)
- CuO module (reactive bed, optionally regenerable)
- Thermoelectric generators (e.g., Bi₂Te₃-based)
- Insulation core & separating layers
- Safety valve and thermal dissipation

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