Sequestration and FutureGen in Illinois

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Questions Regarding FutureGen and Geological Sequestration

- Where will the CO₂ go and how do we know it will stay there?
- Who is responsible for making sure it stays there?
- If it comes to the surface, what will it do?
- If it does leak, how will we know that and who will fix it?
- We have a number of abandoned industrial plants in the area already, so after this gasification plant shuts down, who takes care of the CO₂?
- How far will the CO₂ spread and where does the salt water go?
- What happens if there is an earthquake?

FutureGen Illinois Basin Geological Focus



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Sequestration at Mattoon and Tuscola

FutureGen



Mt. Simon Sandstone Reservoir



• Mt. Simon Sandstone is used for natural gas storage in Champaign County, IL at 4,000 to 4,200 ft

• Mt. Simon core has been recovered from a few deep exploration wells, such as this sample from near Salem, IL at 8,467 drilled in 1966



CO₂ Storage in Sandstone Reservoir Pore Space





Shale Caprock (Reservoir Seal)



No pore space visible

General CO₂ Injection: Caprock/Seal Integrity



Shale Seal

Sandstone Reservoir



Poster Development

- Versatile poster set
 - **Technical** meetings
 - Public events
 - School events

Carbon Capture and Sequestration: Bridging the Gap



Greenhouse Effect

Global Warming









Carbon Sequestration in the Illinois Basin

Sequestration Model

- Demonstrates
 - Illinois Basin stratigraphy
 - Sequestration in deep saline reservoir
 - Enhanced oil recovery
- Discussion Opportunities
 - Enhanced coal bed methane
 - Sedimentary rocks
 - Porosity, permeability
 - Global warming, greenhouse gases





• Illinois Basin geology contains multiple seals for carbon dioxide (CO_2) above the Mt. **Simon Sandstone** • Monitoring other sandstones above the Mt. Simon Sandstone can provide warning of any problems

Deep, saline Mt. Simon Sandstone reservoir for CO₂