

A Validation of Water- CO₂ Migration Model by In-situ Gaseous CO₂ Injection Test into Rock Mass

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CO₂ geologic storage, which is investigated as a reduction method of greenhouse gas, needs to be conducted CO₂ migration analysis that aims to evaluate time and space of CO₂ migration and environmental influence on rock mass and groundwater. Since it is not obvious that a numerical analysis using CO₂ migration model, which includes spatial distribution of absolute permeability and porosity, relative permeability, capillary pressure, and CO₂ physical properties, can represent the actual migration behavior of CO₂, a field CO₂ injection test and its numerical simulation using the CO₂ migration model were performed in this study. As a result, reproduction of pressure response and CO₂ migration speed in the field experiment can indicate a validation of the CO₂ migration model, which is constituted of absolute permeability acquired from the result of the field permeability test and its simulation, relative permeability, porosity, and capillary pressure measured or evaluated in the laboratory using boring core. In addition, the numerical simulation resulted in the feature of CO₂ migration that dissolved CO₂ can spread wider than gaseous CO₂ can do during CO₂ injection.