Basalt is the most common rock type on Earth comprising 50-60% of Earth's surface



Alkaline rock basalt or cinder (colino)

CO₂ saturated sodium bicarbonate solution (saline) Carbonates with silica/clay biproducts

Columbia River Basalt Group (1 Fm) – 40 Gtons CO₂ (Cao et al., 2024) Juan de Fuca plate (offshore) - 926 Gtons CO₂ (Goldberg et al., 2008) Icelandic basalts – 953-2470 Gtons CO₂ (Snæbjörnsdóttir et al., 2014)

Espee Mine tailings, Williams, AZ

Cinder cone theoretical capture capacity

A 0.5 km³ cinder cone with a bulk rock density of 2.8 g/cm³ and an MgO average of 10 wt% would trap 11 wt% of CO_2 as MgCO₃. This is equivalent to 30 million metric tons of CO_2 per cone if only 20% of the Mg is reacted.

(Fe/Ca trapped in carbonate is not accounted for)





17% of Arizona is basalt

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1200 cinder cones

Ex-situ mineralization parameterized to maximize reaction extent

DAC to mineralization







Powdered unreacted basalt

X750 20Mm