

# Projects and research related to green $H_2$ at U. CHILE (FCFM)

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  - 2D materials for electrochemistry and CO<sub>2</sub> capture and conversion









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The key role of metal nanoparticle in metal organic frameworks of UiO family (MOFs) for the application of CO<sub>2</sub> capture and heterogeneous catalysis

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We have also developed a <u>resilience indicator for Eco-industrial Parks</u>. This indicator has been constructed through the study of the internal structure (topology) of the Eco-industrial Parks and has been applied to assess real parks in Ulsan, Korea, and Kalundborg, Denmark. We have a <u>methodology to plan new Eco-industrial Parks or to modify the existing ones</u>.

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# Solar – Green mining



Solar Chile Mining focuses on the synergetic potential between solar energy and mining, allowing a more sustainable mineral extraction. Given the intensive energy use of the mining sector, studying this potential is relevant for the country's goal in terms of energy costs, emissions and competitive and sustainable mineral extraction.











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U. de Chile launched this initiative, located in Pudahuel, a space that will be a platform where knowledge, natural and social sciences, technology and art will be integrated to solve in a transdisciplinary way, the demands that Chile and the world are facing.

The Project, located on a 1000+ ha surface in the west exit of Santiago, represents an investment of  $\leq$  21,5 MM in this first phase, which includes two CORFO institutes and an institutional building.









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