

Process to Upgrade Natural Gas Liquids from Shale Gas Using Final Product as Absorbent to Recover C₂+ Hydrocarbons

A simplified loop recycles part of the final liquid to recover C₂+ from gas, improving purity and lowering costs.

Researchers at Purdue University have developed a process to upgrade natural gas liquids in shale gas, wherein at least a portion of the liquid hydrocarbon product is used as the absorbent to recover C₂+ hydrocarbon from

a gaseous stream. The processing steps could be adjusted for various upgrading processes and various product specifications. This process is shown to have high recovery and purity for both CH₄ and liquid hydrocarbon products with a simple design.

Advantages

- Recyclable
- Cost Efficient

Potential Applications

- Oil and Gas
- Chemical Engineering
- Energy

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