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Utilization of Biomass towards a Climate-Neutral and Sustainable Steel Sector

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The steel industry is one of the most important industrial sectors also one of the largest energy- and coal-consuming sectors. The use of biomass in iron- and steelmaking has been acknowledged as one possible solution to decrease CO2 emissions.

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- Quantum chemistry research on the mechanism of biomass upgrading
- Biomass utilization in blast furnace ironmaking processes
- Technology of adding biomass to the coking process
- Technology of using biomass as fuel in the sintering and pelleting processes
- Application of biomass in non-blast-furnace ironmaking processes
- Biomass utilization in steelmaking processes and other metallurgical processes
- Life cycle analysis of the application of biomass in iron- and steelmaking systems

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