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TERRAFORMING THE RED PLANET: NAVIGATING CONTROLLED GREENHOUSE GAS
EMISSION AND ADVANCED PROTECTION PROTOCOLS

Abstract

The colonization of interplanetary space has long been a cherished dream of mankind, and Mars emerges as a promising frontier to actively explore and envision our future in the cosmos. Engaged in the terraforming process of Mars, we employ meticulous management of greenhouse gas emissions and implement advanced protection protocols. Confronting the formidable challenge of rendering the Red Planet habitable involves addressing the obstacles presented by its barren landscapes and inhospitable atmosphere. The research underscores its principal goal: engineering a Mars atmosphere mirroring Earth, attaining targeted parameters, including a 21% oxygen concentration, regulated carbon dioxide levels, and a stabilized nitrogen balance. This paper seeks to navigate the intricate challenges associated with controlled greenhouse gas release, while simultaneously integrating state-of-the-art protective measures. These efforts aim to establish a robust foundation for a comprehensive and successful terraforming mission on Mars. The controlled release of greenhouse gases. Mars, characterized by its desolate landscapes and inhospitable atmosphere, poses multifaceted challenges, spanning from a deficiency in essential life-sustaining elements to heightened radiation levels. Creating an Earth-like atmosphere on Mars involves achieving specific parameters, including a 21% oxygen concentration, controlled levels of carbon dioxide, and a stabilized nitrogen balance. These conditions aim to maintain a temperature of approximately 14 degrees Celsius under one bar of pressure. Initiating with the strategic release of greenhouse gases, the process advances towards the introduction of microbial and bryophyte life forms, aiming to establish a self-sustaining biosphere. Incorporating advanced protective measures such as resilient biospheres and laser technology, our efforts are pivotal in withstanding the challenging Martian environment and laying the groundwork for a sustainable human presence on the Red Planet. Focusing on three key methodologies—orbital mirrors, importation of ammonia-rich objects, and the production of artificial halocarbon ("CFC") gases—our approach is enhanced by a temperature estimation model. Adapted from McKay and Davis, this model calculates the mean planetary temperature, factoring in variables such as the solar constant, black body temperature, and atmospheric CO₂ pressure. Examining global temperature distribution, calculating CO₂ pressure, and analysing data offer valuable insights into the intricate relationship among temperature changes, CO₂ pressure, and the efficacy of terraforming methods. Sensitivity analyses contribute to a deeper understanding of proposed methodologies, recognizing and addressing inherent uncertainties and limitations. The comprehensive strategy for potential Mars terraforming encompasses controlled greenhouse gas emissions and the establishment of self-sustaining biospheres.