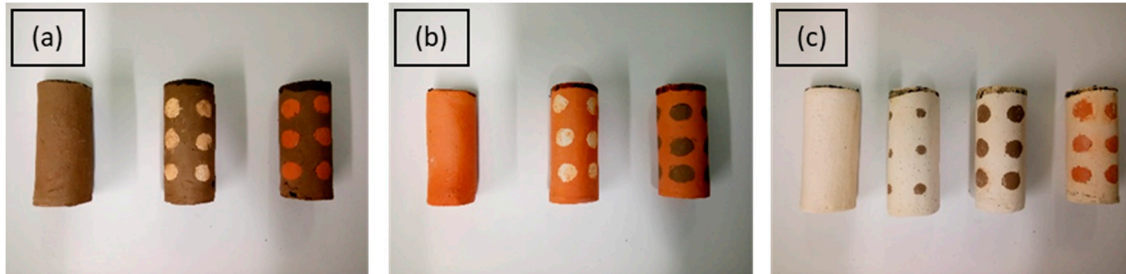
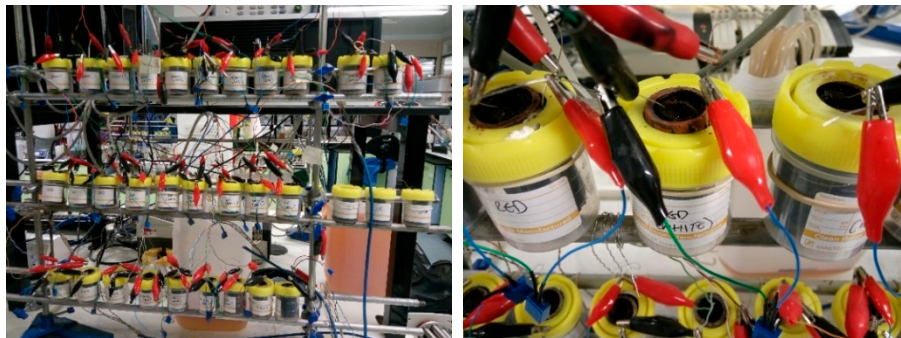


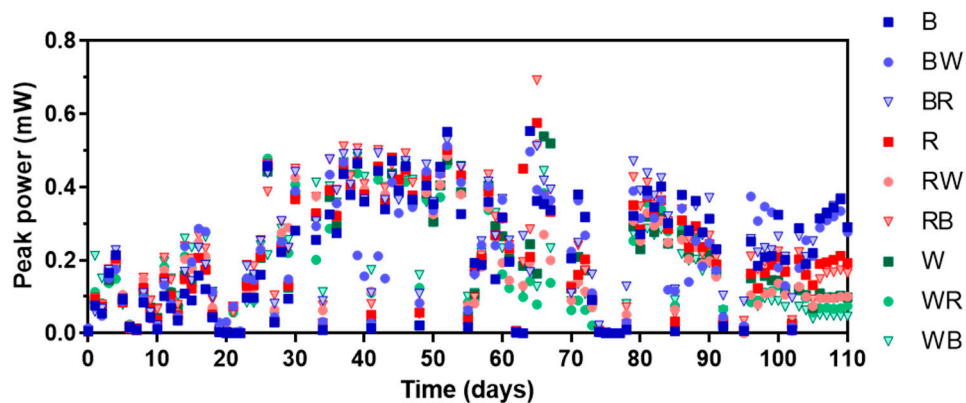
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**Figure S1.** All ceramic cylinder membranes tested in the study: brown clay-based ceramics (a), red clay-based ceramics (b), and white clay-based ceramics (c). The second ceramic in (c), white based with smaller brown spots, was not used in the study.



**Figure S2.** Photos of experimental set-up (left) and individual MFCs (right).



**Figure S3.** Temporal change of peak power of test ceramics. Each data point represents average value from triplicates of each ceramic type.

**Table S1.** Chemical compositions and physical properties of tested ceramic materials<sup>1)</sup>.

|                           |                                | Brown                   | Red       | White   |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Product number            |                                | No. 366                 | No. 364   | No. 264 |
| Chemical compositions (%) | SiO <sub>2</sub>               | 64.5                    | 68.9      | 72.0    |
|                           | Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 20.0                    | 20.5      | 22.0    |
|                           | TiO <sub>2</sub>               | 1.3                     | 1.3       | 1.8     |
|                           | Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 6.5                     | 6.0       | 1.0     |
|                           | CaO                            | 0.3                     | 0.3       | 0.3     |
|                           | MgO                            | 0.4                     | 0.4       | 0.2     |
|                           | K <sub>2</sub> O               | 2.2                     | 2.5       | 2.3     |
|                           | Na <sub>2</sub> O              | 0.1                     | 0.1       | 0.3     |
|                           | MnO                            | 4.8                     | -         | -       |
| Firing at 1070 (°C)       | Firing colour                  | Brown-black             | Light red | White   |
|                           | Firing shrinkage (%)           | 5                       | 5         | 3       |
|                           | Water absorption (%)           | 4                       | 6         | 8       |
|                           | Note                           | 25 % chammotte 0-0.5 mm |           |         |

<sup>1)</sup>data from the manufacturer, Georg & Schneider

**Table S2.** Percentage relative volume of pores for test ceramics<sup>1)</sup>.

|       | % Relative volume  |           |              |         |           |
|-------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|---------|-----------|
|       | Pore radius ranges |           |              |         |           |
|       | 1-10 nm            | 10-100 nm | 100-1,000 nm | 1-10 µm | 10-100 µm |
| Brown | 0.00               | 74.47     | 23.6         | 0.18    | 1.74      |
| Red   | 1.19               | 92.04     | 5.44         | 0.66    | 0.66      |
| White | 3.37               | 94.49     | 1.57         | 0.22    | 0.34      |

<sup>1)</sup>determined by mercury intrusion method