

CO₂地中貯留技術開発と実用化への取組
～マイクロバブルCO₂圧入、光ファイバーセンシング技術～

*R&D Achievements on Microbubble CO₂ Injection and
Fiber Optic Sensing Technologies*

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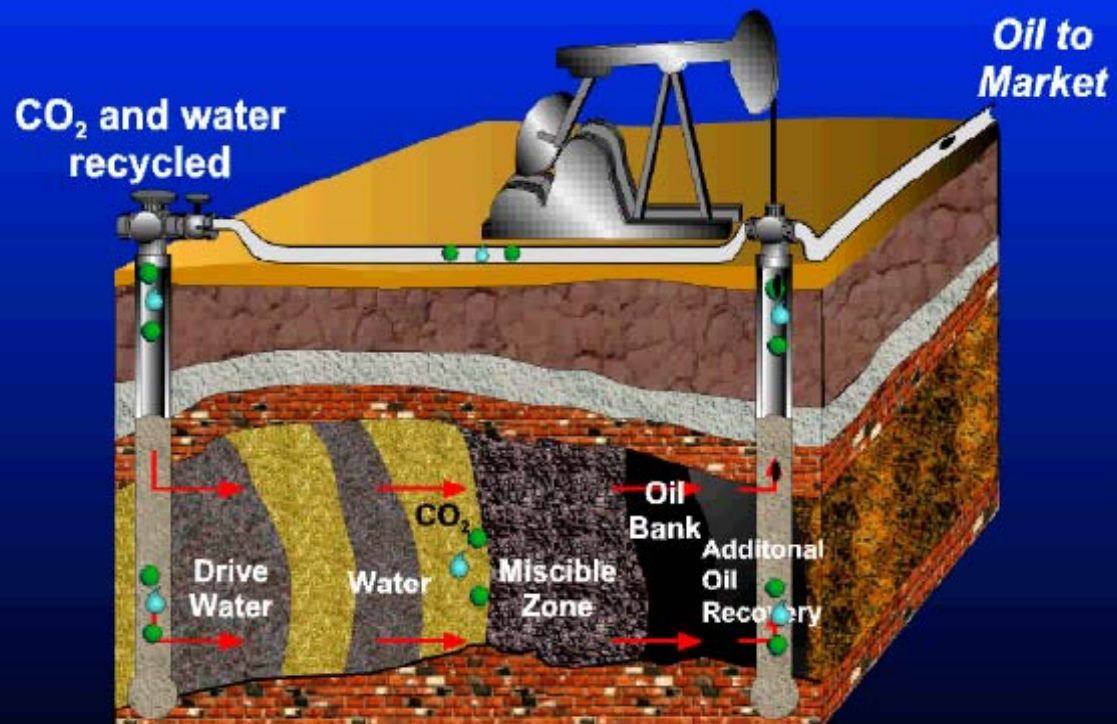


1. CO₂地中(深部塩水層)貯留について



Geologic Carbon Dioxide Storage: The Way Forward

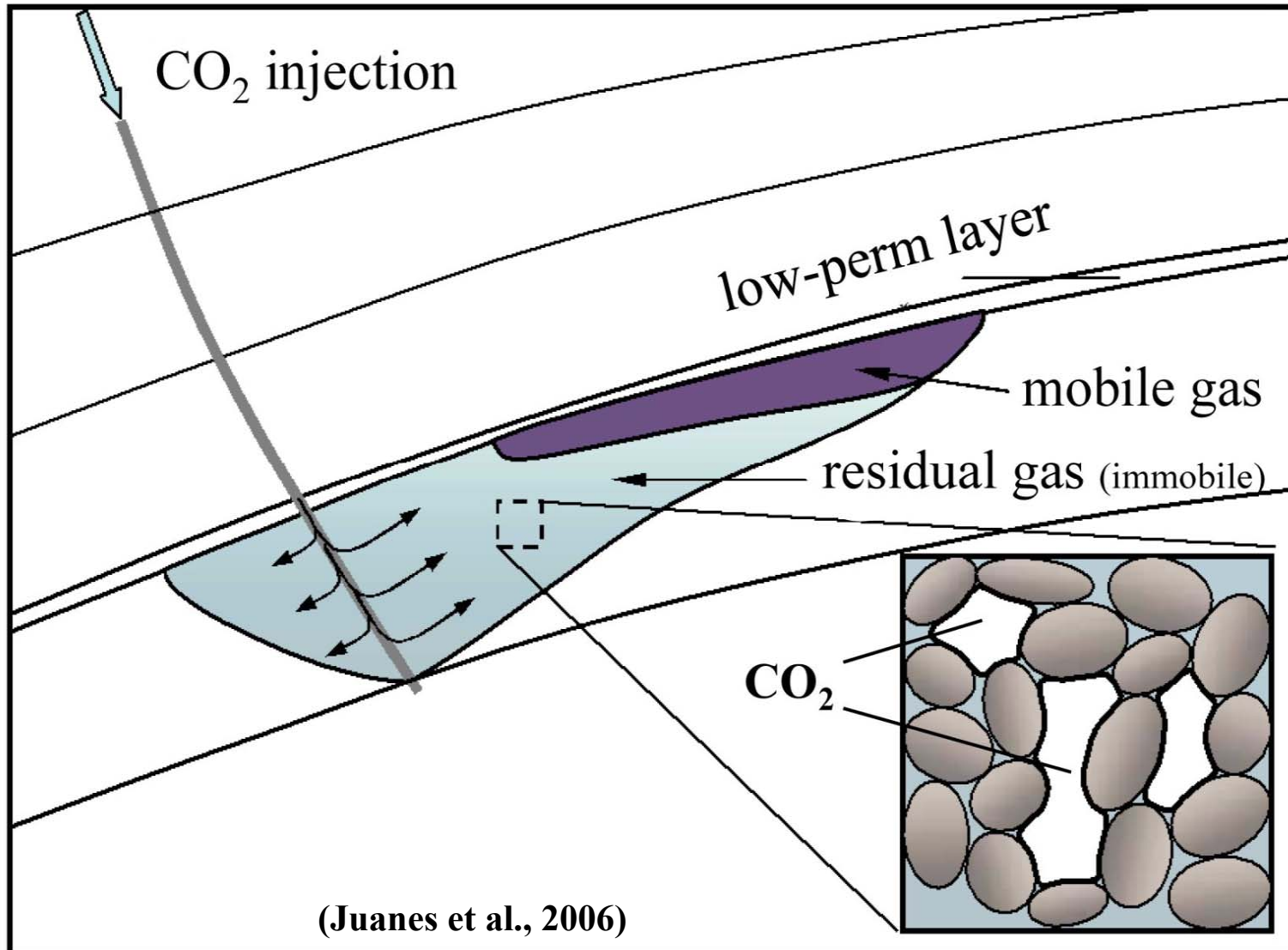
Carbon Dioxide Flooding



- ▶ 40-70% of CO₂ injected stays in reservoir

Associated CO₂ Storage in CO₂-EOR

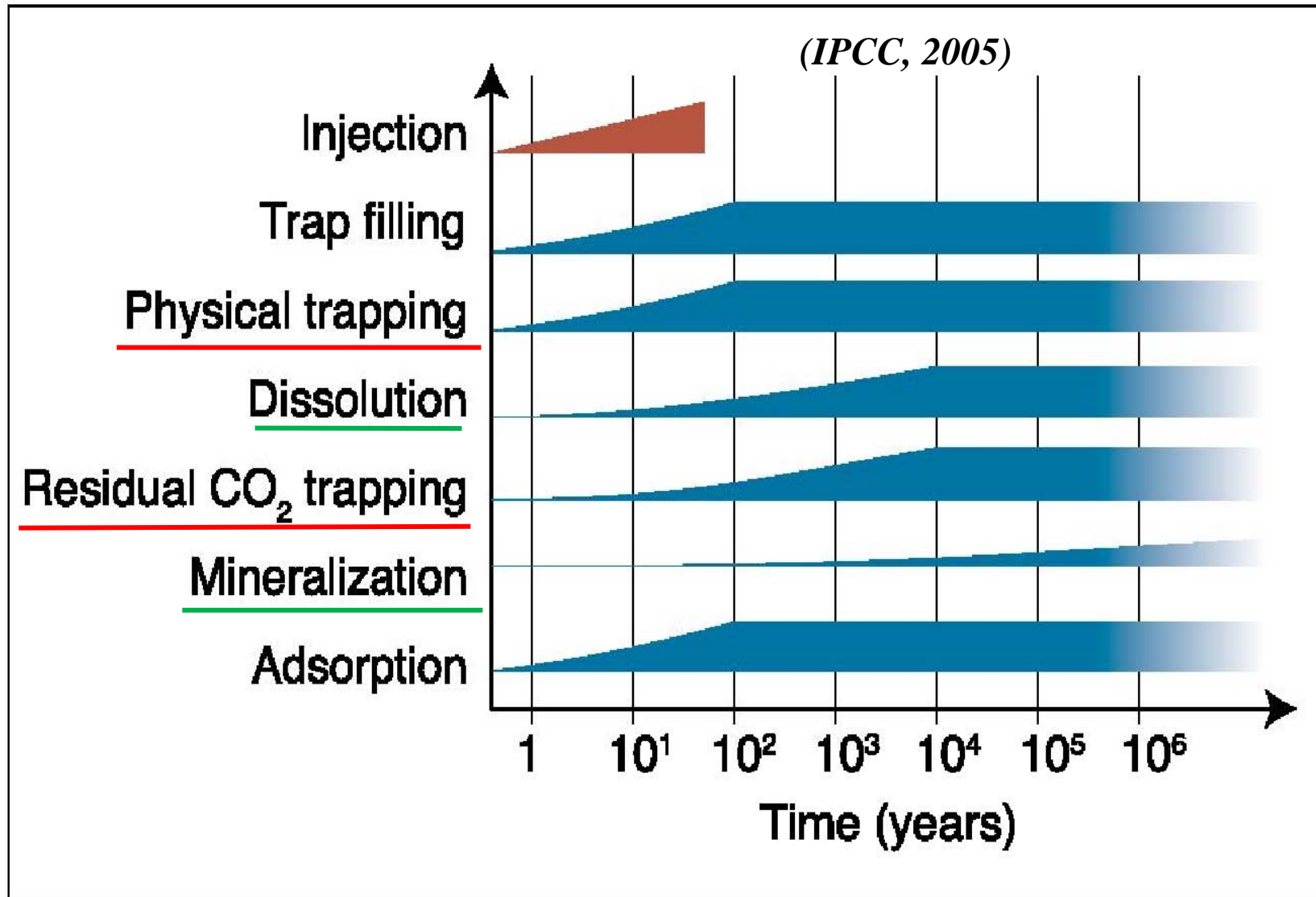
Geologic CO₂ Storage in Deep Saline Aquifer



Permanently Storing CO₂ in the Subsurface

- Mobile phase trapped by seal
- Dissolution in water
- Precipitation as a mineral
- Immobile phase as residual, nonwetting saturation

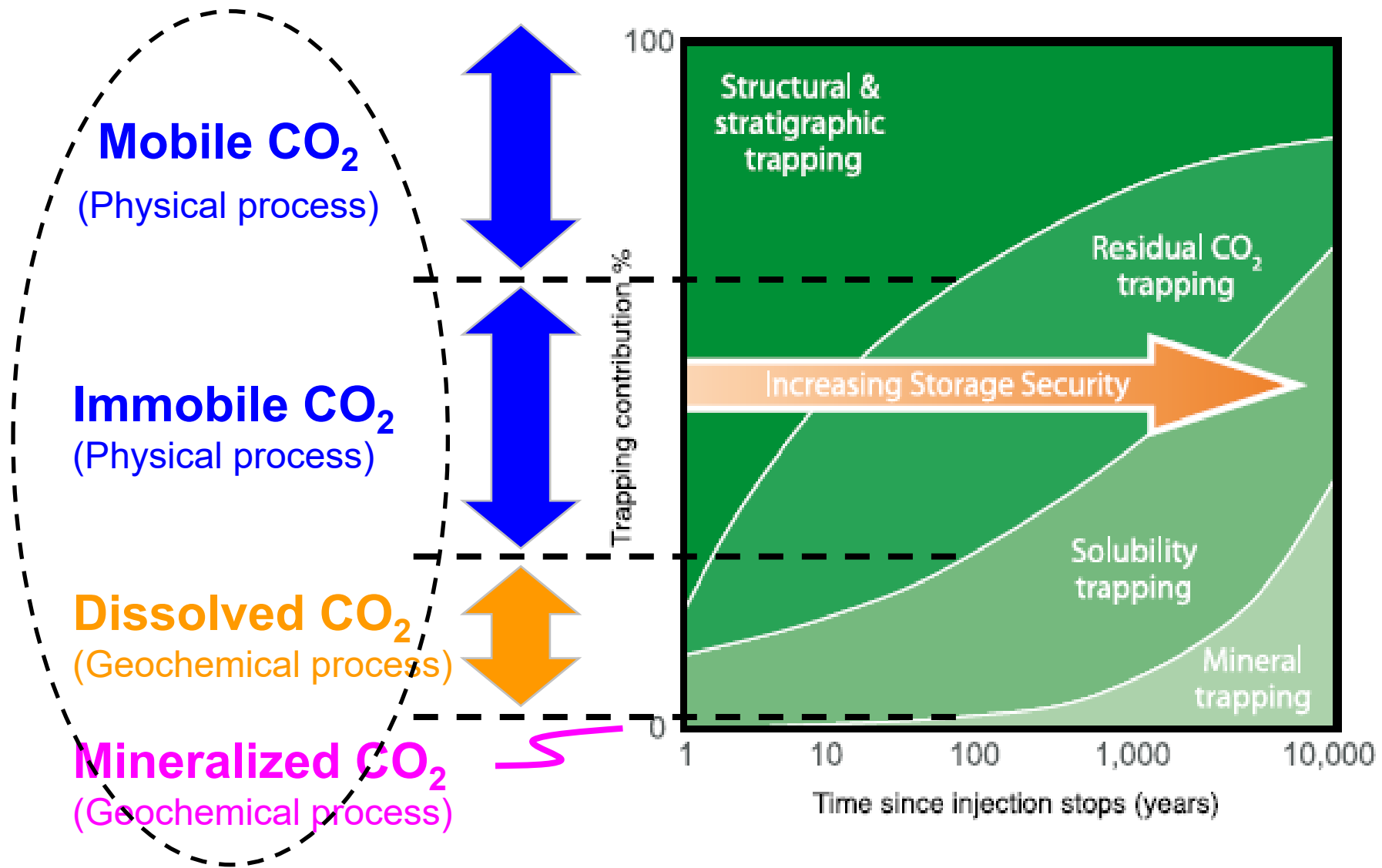
*CO₂ Trapping Mechanisms: **long term** security
(how long is enough long?)*



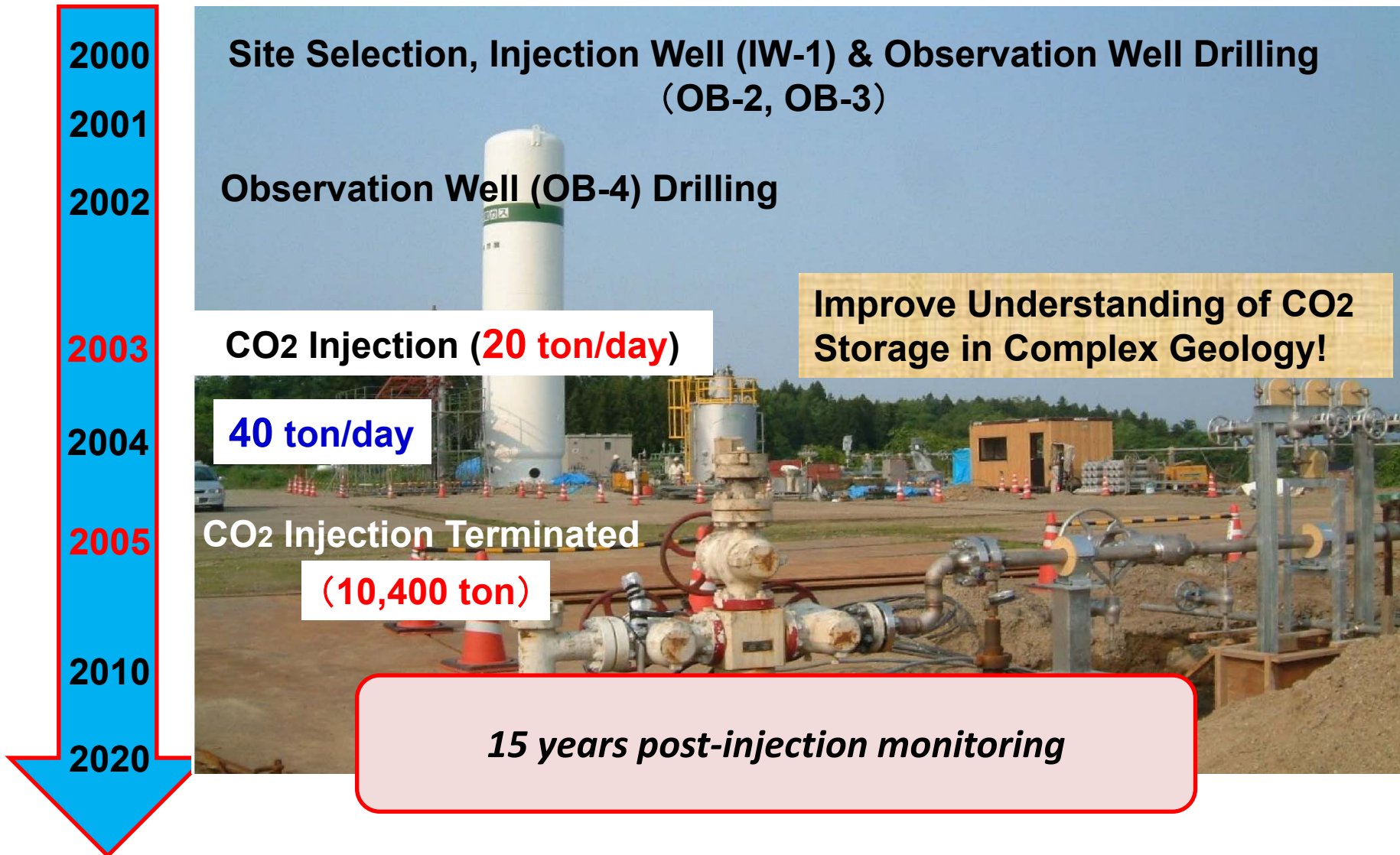
— : lab data

— : field data

Trap Mechanism & Long-term Behavior of Injected CO₂ in Deep Saline Aquifer

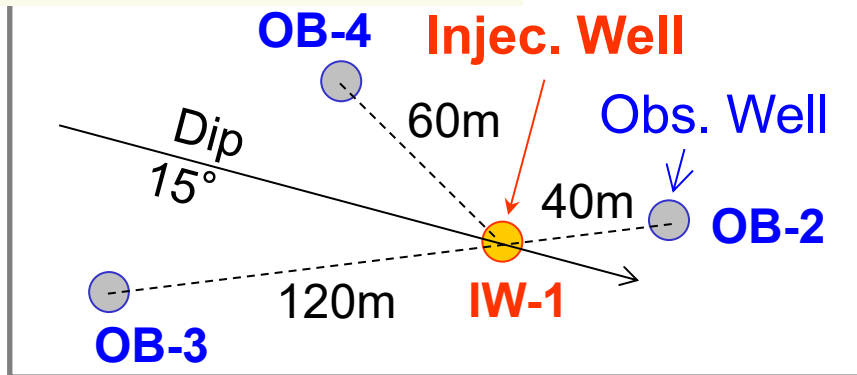


Overview of Nagaoka Project

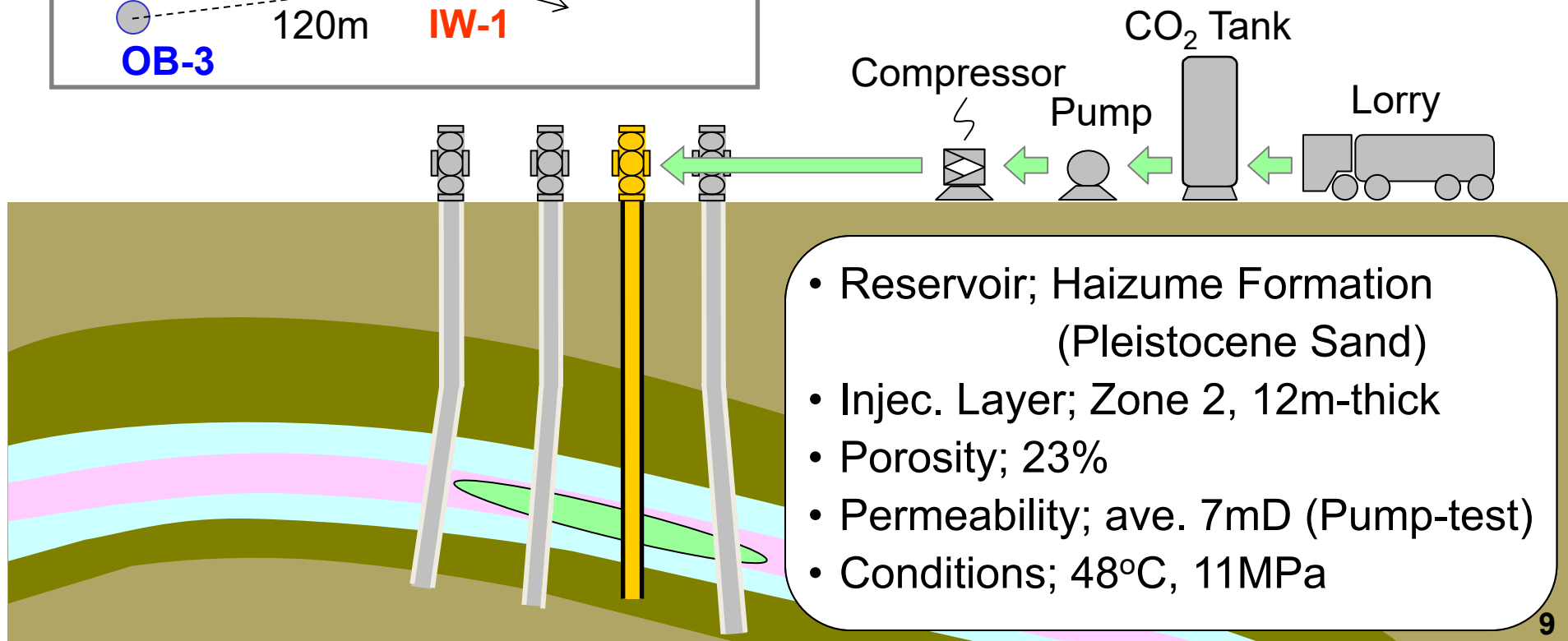


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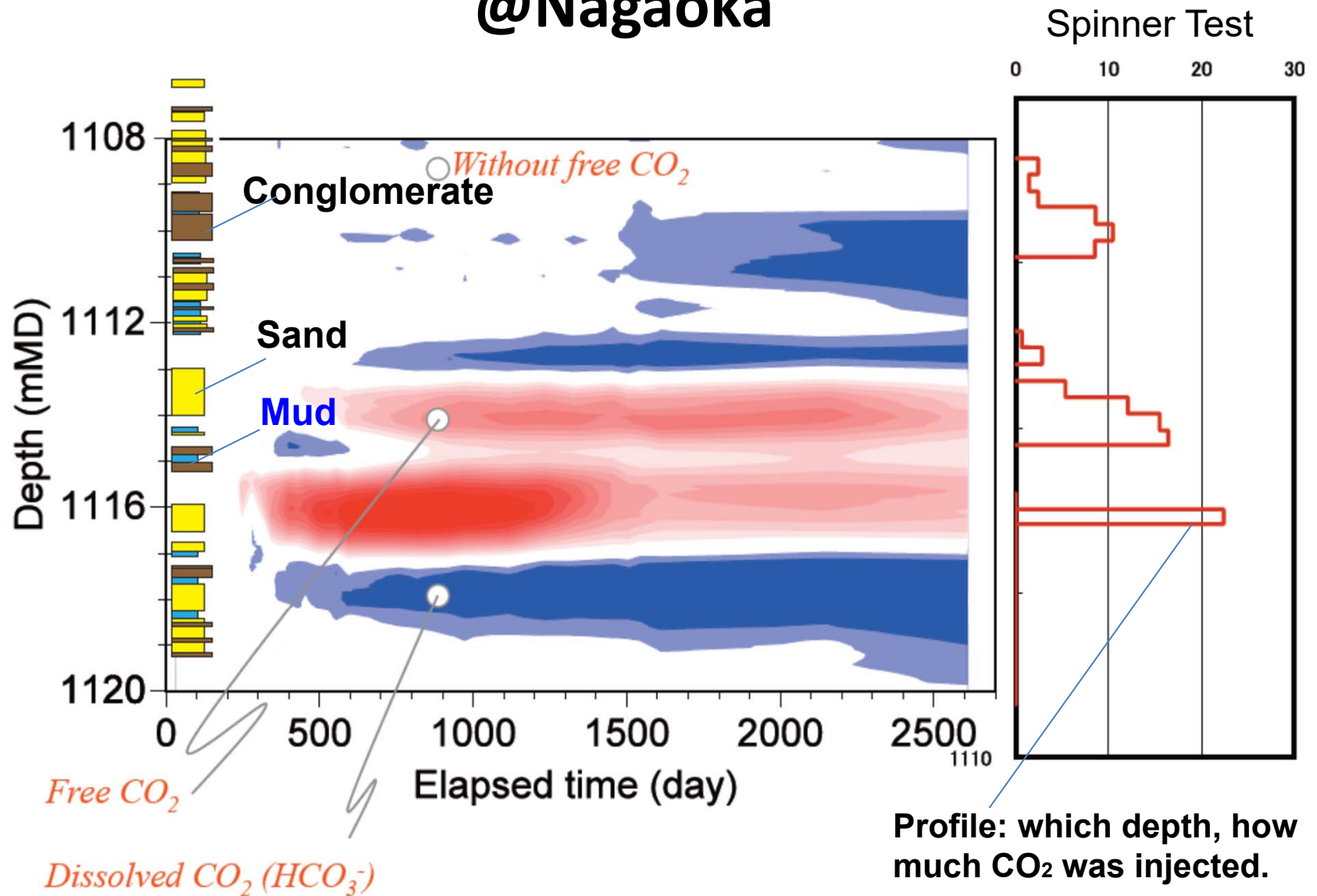
Well Configuration at the Reservoir Depth



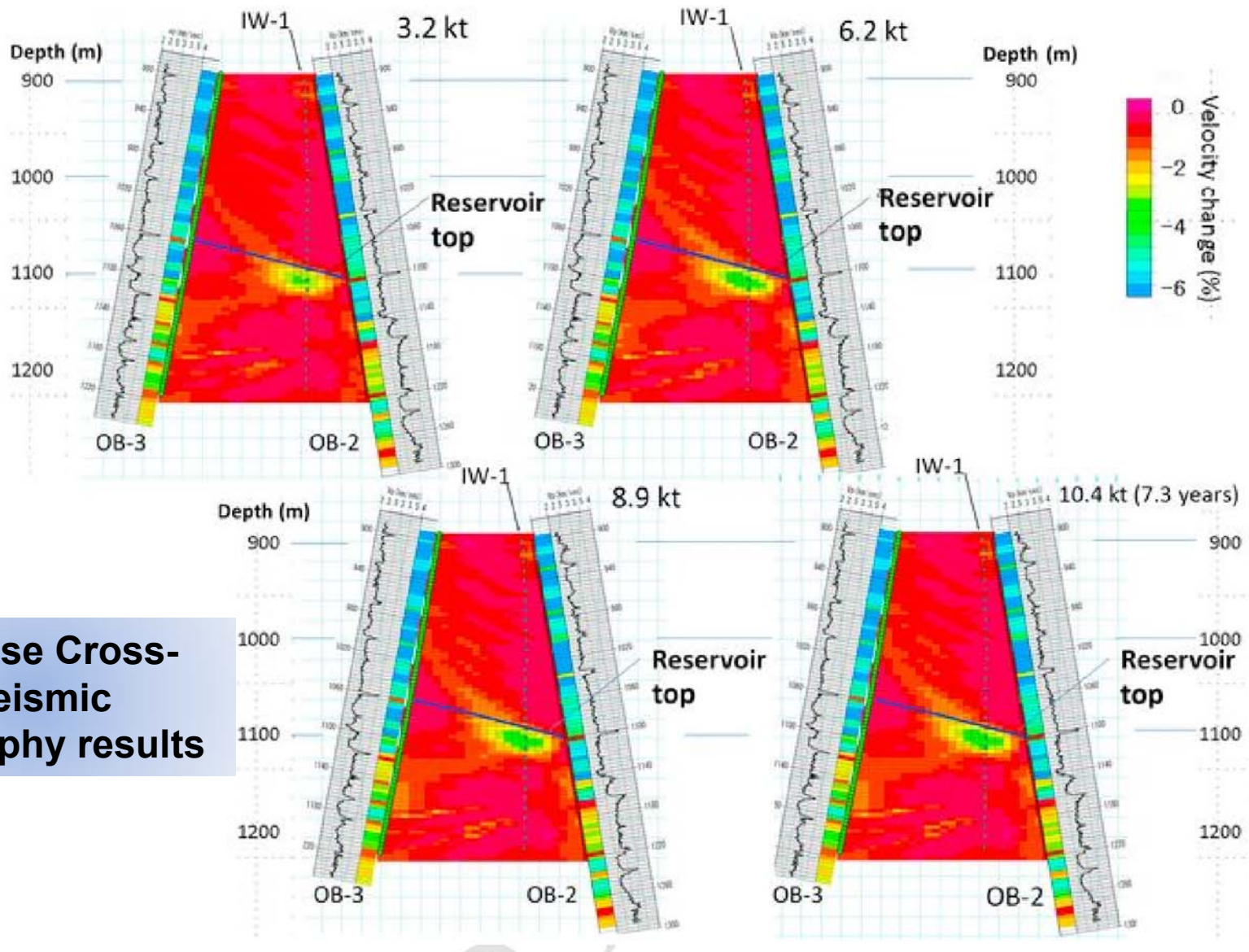
- Injec. Period; Jul. 2003~Jan. 2005
- Total amount; 10,400 ton CO₂
- Rate; 20~40 ton/day



Injection Profile and CO₂ Distribution @Nagaoka

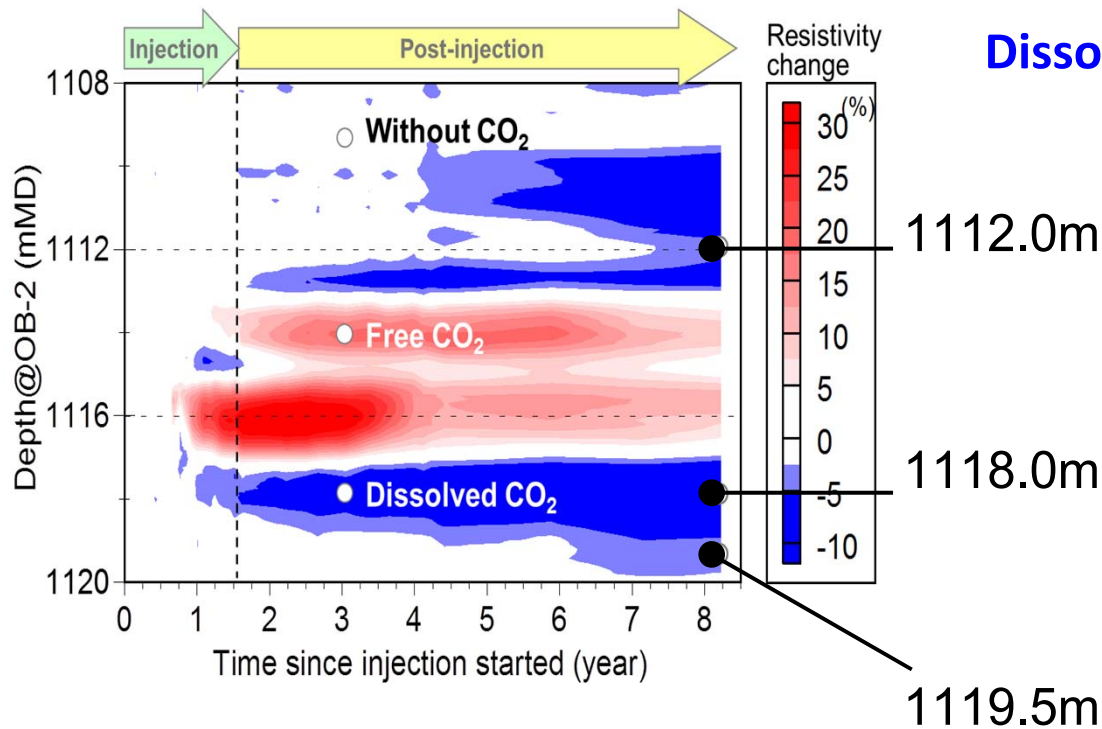


Tracking CO₂ Injected in Subsurface

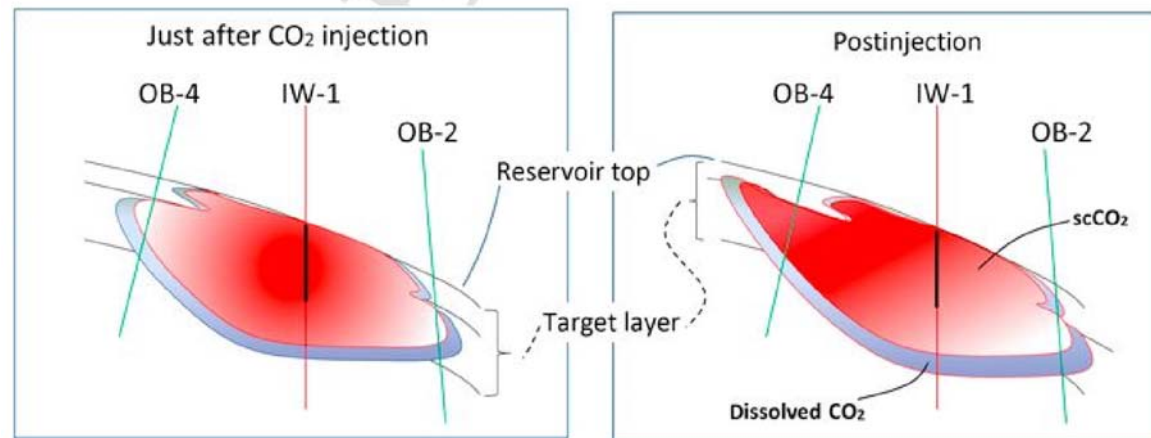
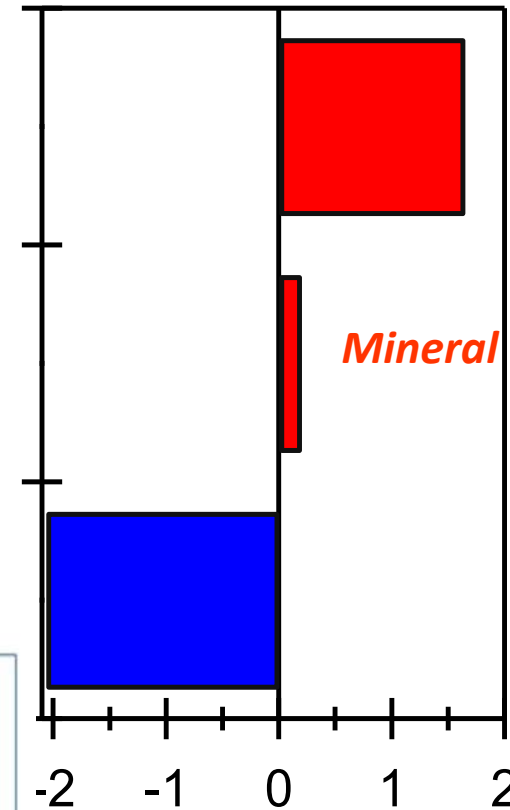


Time-lapse Cross-well seismic tomography results

Saturation Index (SI) of Calcite (CaCO₃)



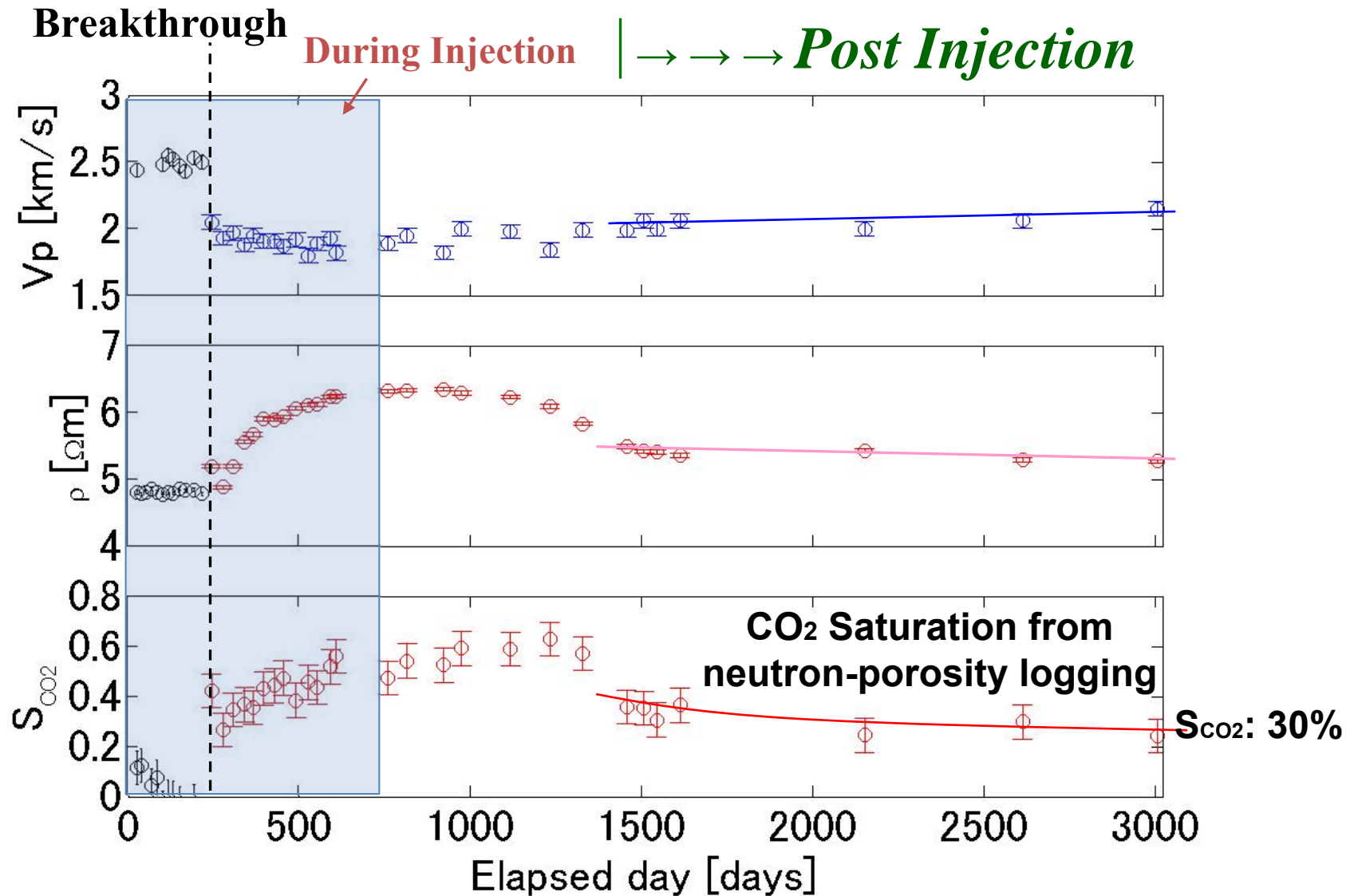
Dissolution ← → Precipitation

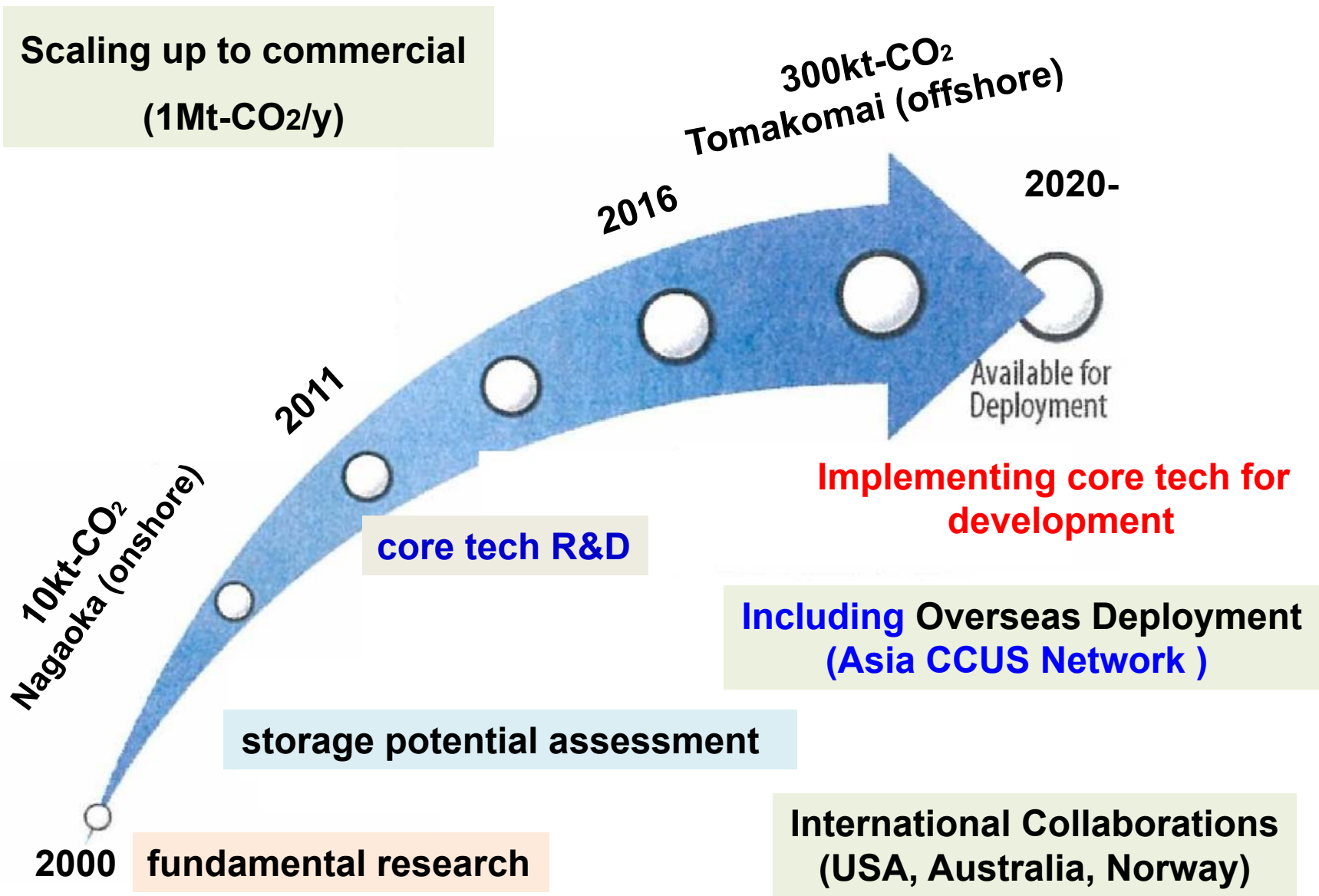


SI(Calcite)

Long term prediction of injected CO₂ in subsurface

Time-lapse Changes at (1116.0m @OB-2)





2. CO₂地中貯留技術開発から、実用化(運用・検証・普及)へ



*Research, Development and Deployment of CO₂ Storage
(**Up-Scaling** Injection and **Down-Sizing** Costs)*



CARBON SEQUESTRATION LEADERSHIP FORUM (CSLF)

TECHNICAL GROUP

TASK FORCE ON

IMPROVED PORE SPACE UTILISATION

貯留効率

Storage Efficiency

経済性

(economics)

Improved Pore Space Utilisation:
Current Status of Techniques

The pore space of a CO₂ storage system is the 'resource' to a CO₂ storage site operator. Presently, the efficiency of the storage resource is quite low, with only 1 to 4% of the bulk volume being utilised to store CO₂ in saline formations. A poor utilisation of this pore space resource means that the resource is wasted, and the opportunity to reduce the cost per tonne of CO₂ stored is significantly hindered. Conversely, a resource that is effectively utilised is likely to significantly improve the economics of CCS projects.

➤ **Recommended Technologies for Improved Pore Space Utilisation:**

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2	Swing Injection	Laboratory and Modelled	TRL 3	High potential
3	Increased Injection Pressure	Laboratory and Modelled	TRL 3	High potential
4	Active Pressure Relief (increase sweep & reduce lateral spread)	Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR), planned for Gorgon CO ₂ injection project	TRL 6	High potential
5	Foams (block high permeability pathways)	EOR	TRL 6	Reasonably well understood
6	Passive Pressure Relief	Modelled	TRL 4	Limited effectiveness
7	Polymers (increase formation water viscosity)	EOR	TRL 7	Reasonably well understood
8	Surfactants (reduce residual saturation of formation water)	EOR	TRL 7	Reasonably well understood
9	CO ₂ saturated water injection & geothermal energy	Laboratory and Modelled	TRL 3	Site specific & lower volume

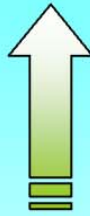
* minor modelling and laboratory investigations may be required prior to commercial scale application

What's Microbubble?

Collaboration with Tokyo Gas Co. Since 2007



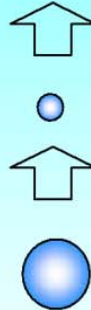
Goes up rapidly



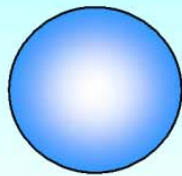
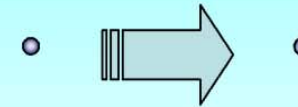
Disappear



Shrinking



Continue



Ordinary bubble
(Macrobubble)

Microbubble

10 ~ 30 μ m

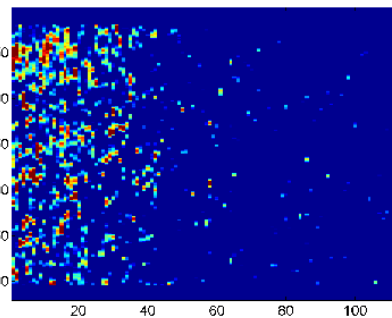
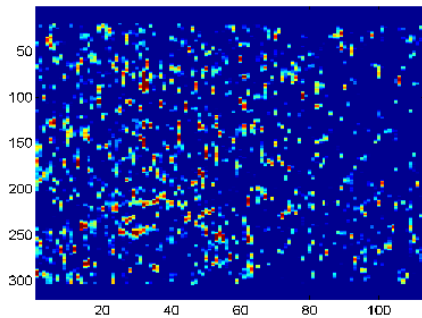
Nano-bubble

< 200nm

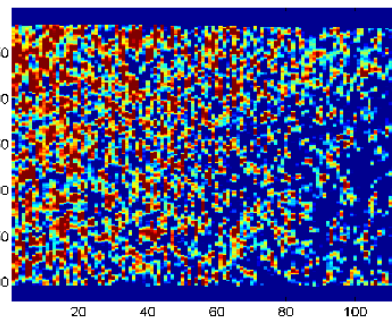
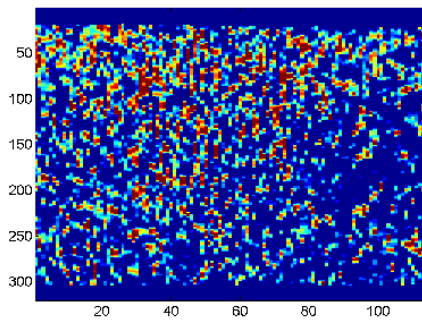
Microbubble CO₂ Injection for Improving Storage Efficiency & Enhanced Dissolution

CO₂ distribution
(left: grooved disc; right: special filter)

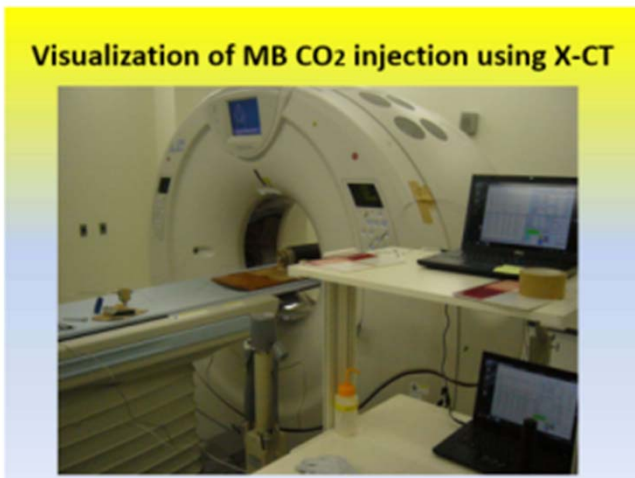
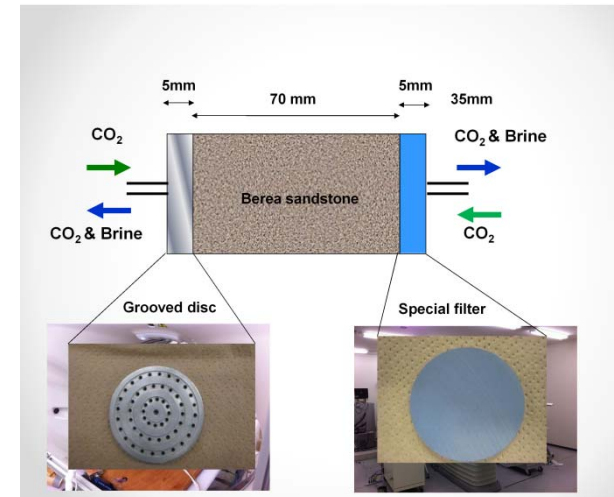
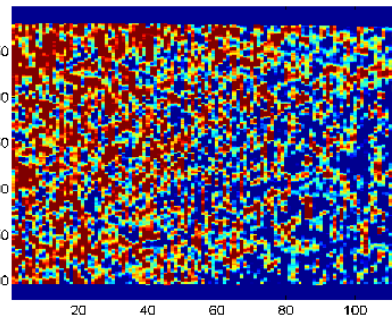
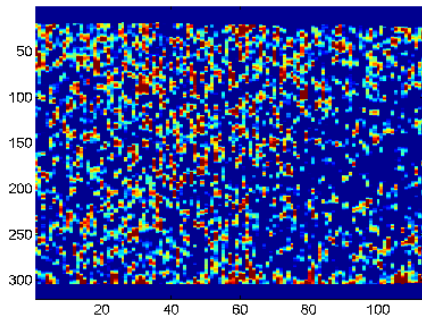
0.045 PV



0.68 PV

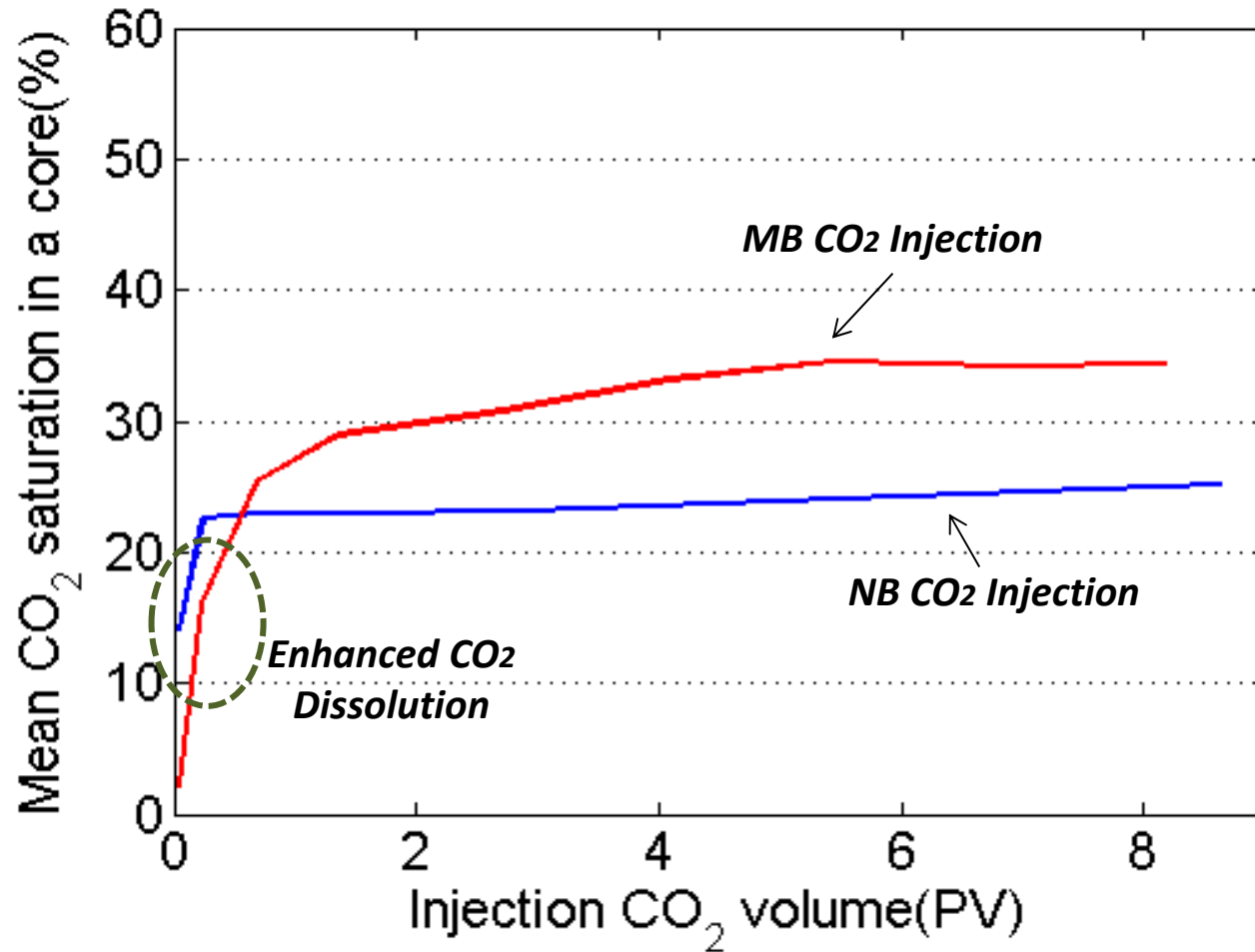


8.18 PV

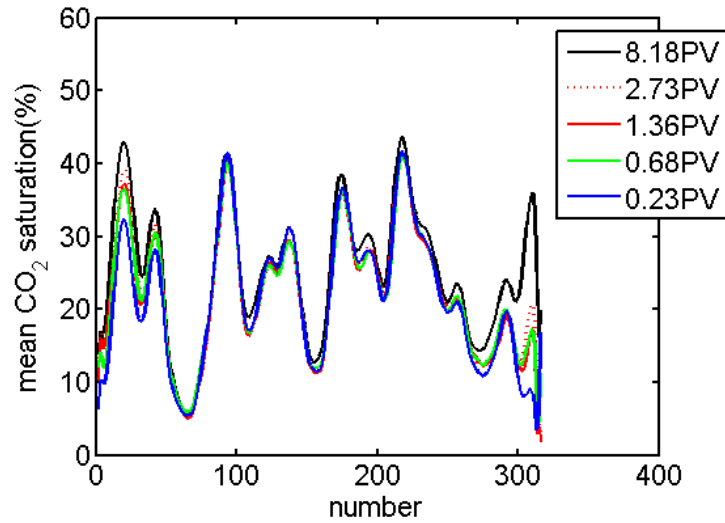


(Patent: PCT/JP2009/064249)

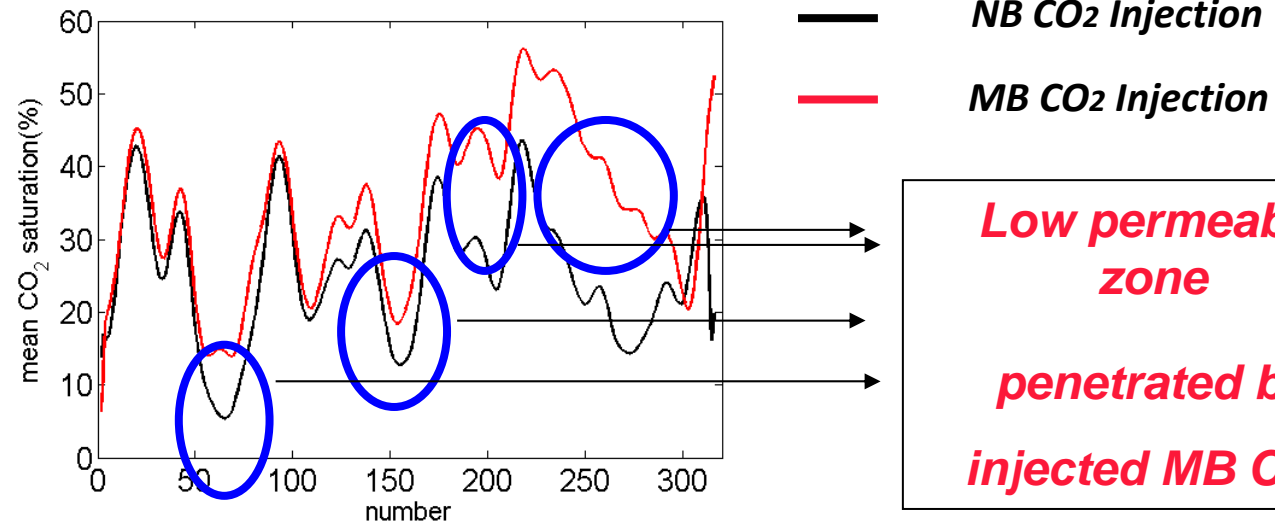
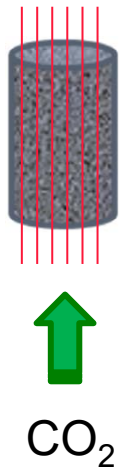
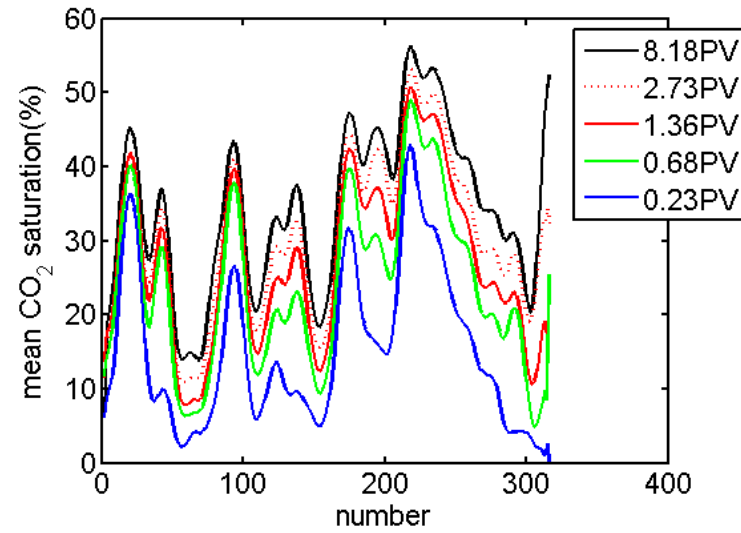
CO₂ Saturation: NB vs MB Injection



NB CO₂ Injection

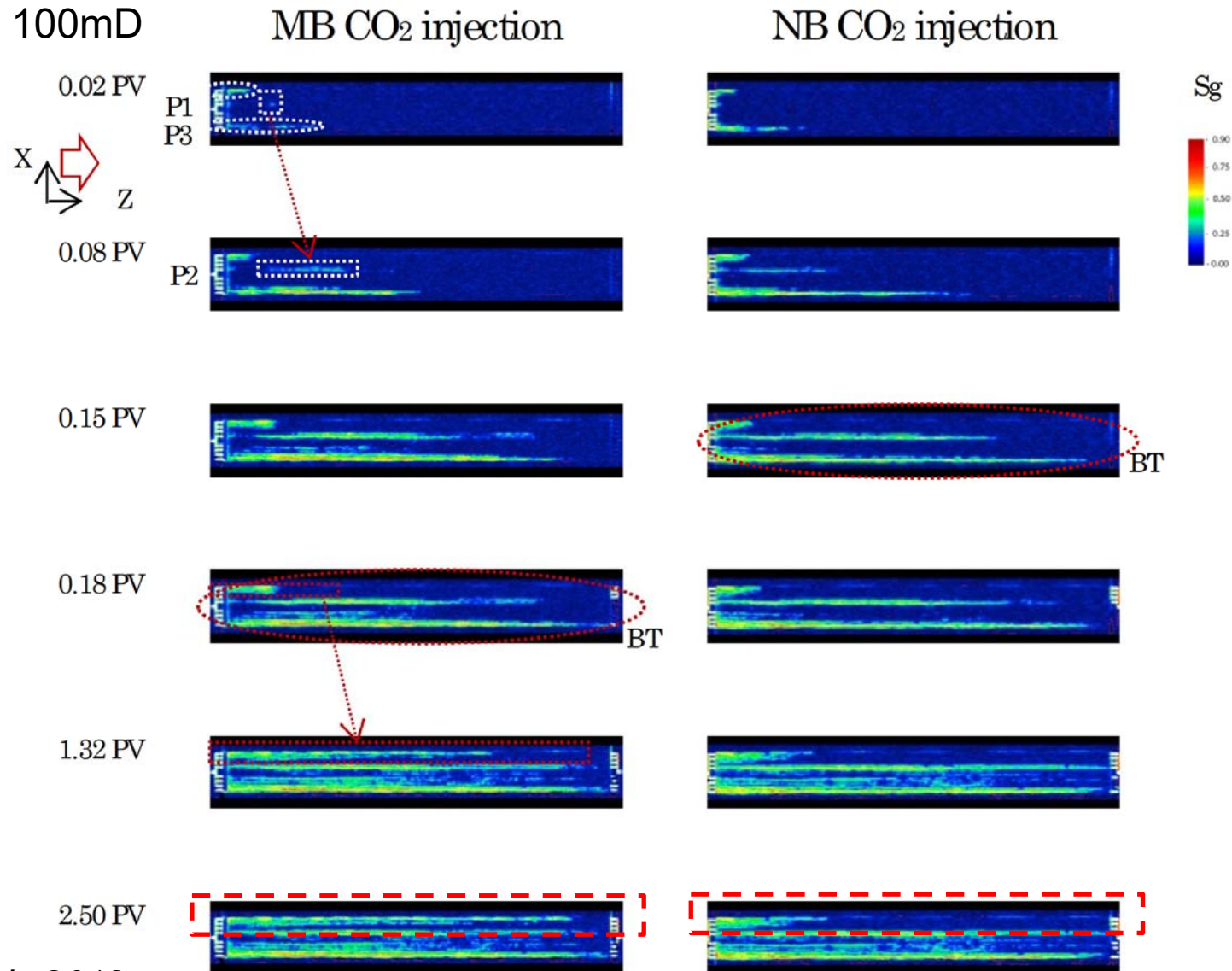


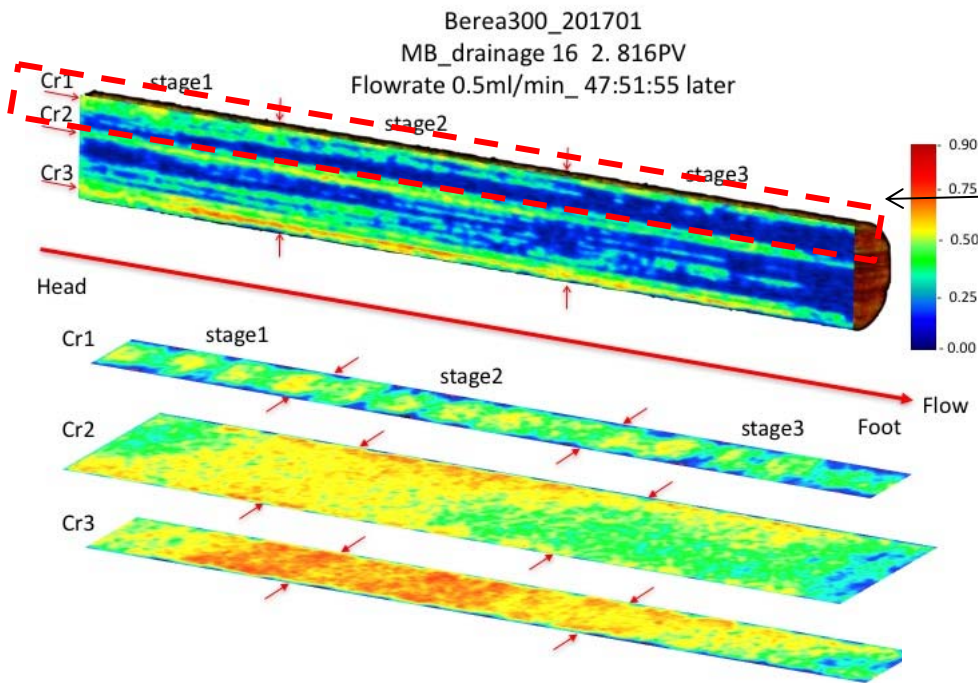
MB CO₂ Injection



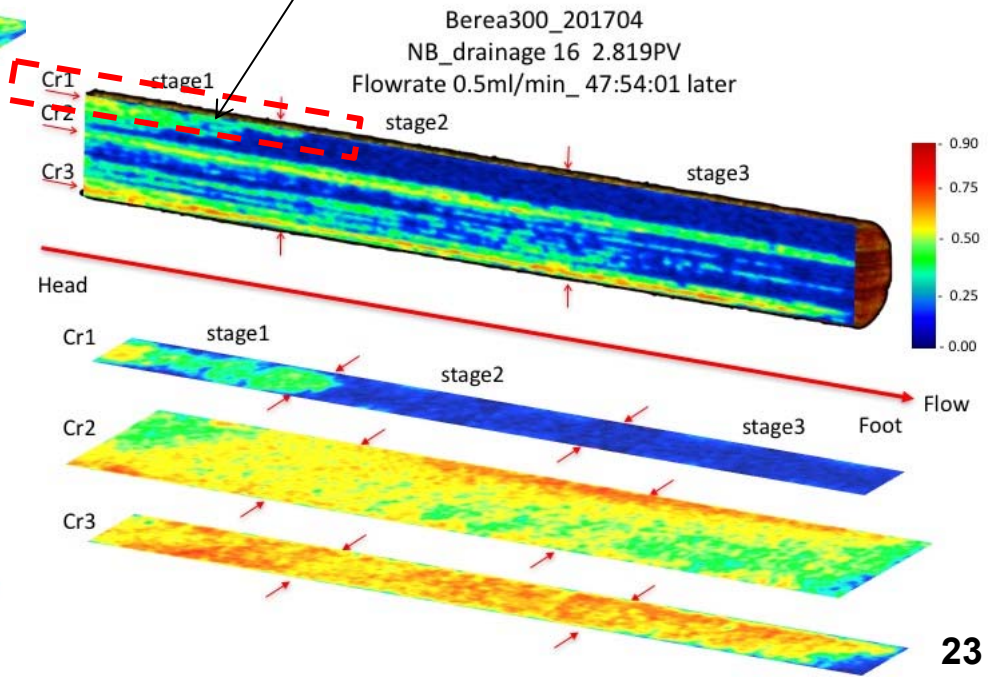
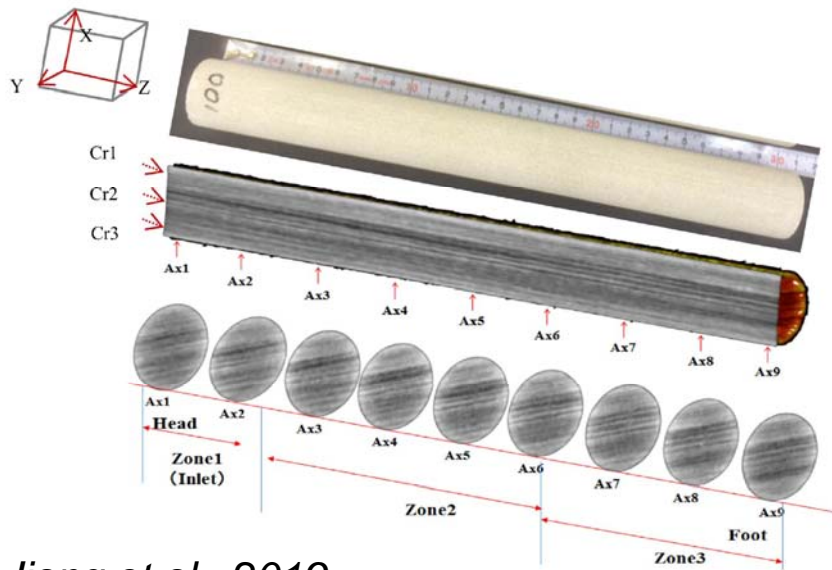
Comparison of MB CO₂ and NB CO₂ Injections in High Permeability Sandstone

Berea: 100mD

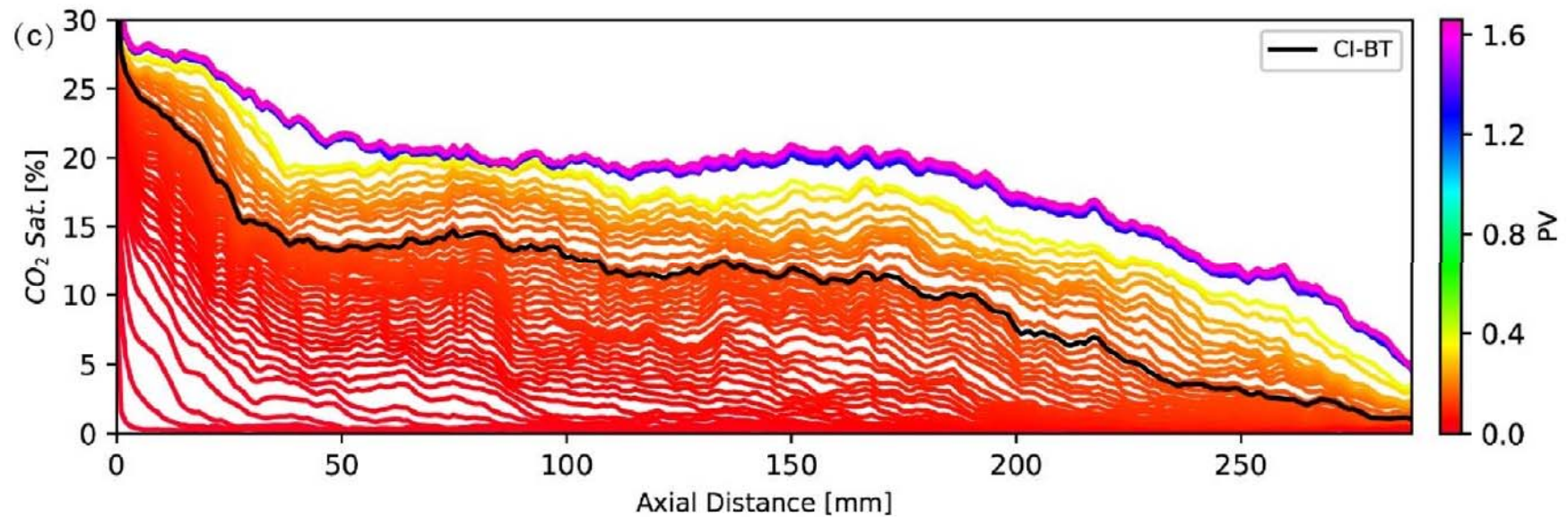
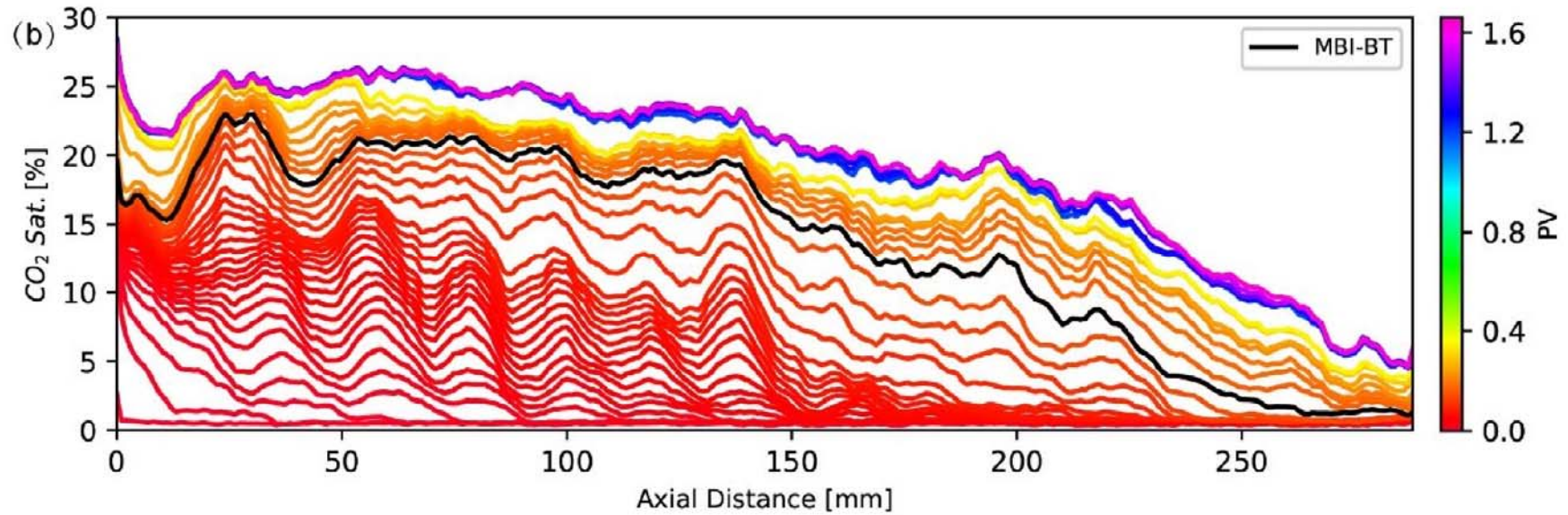




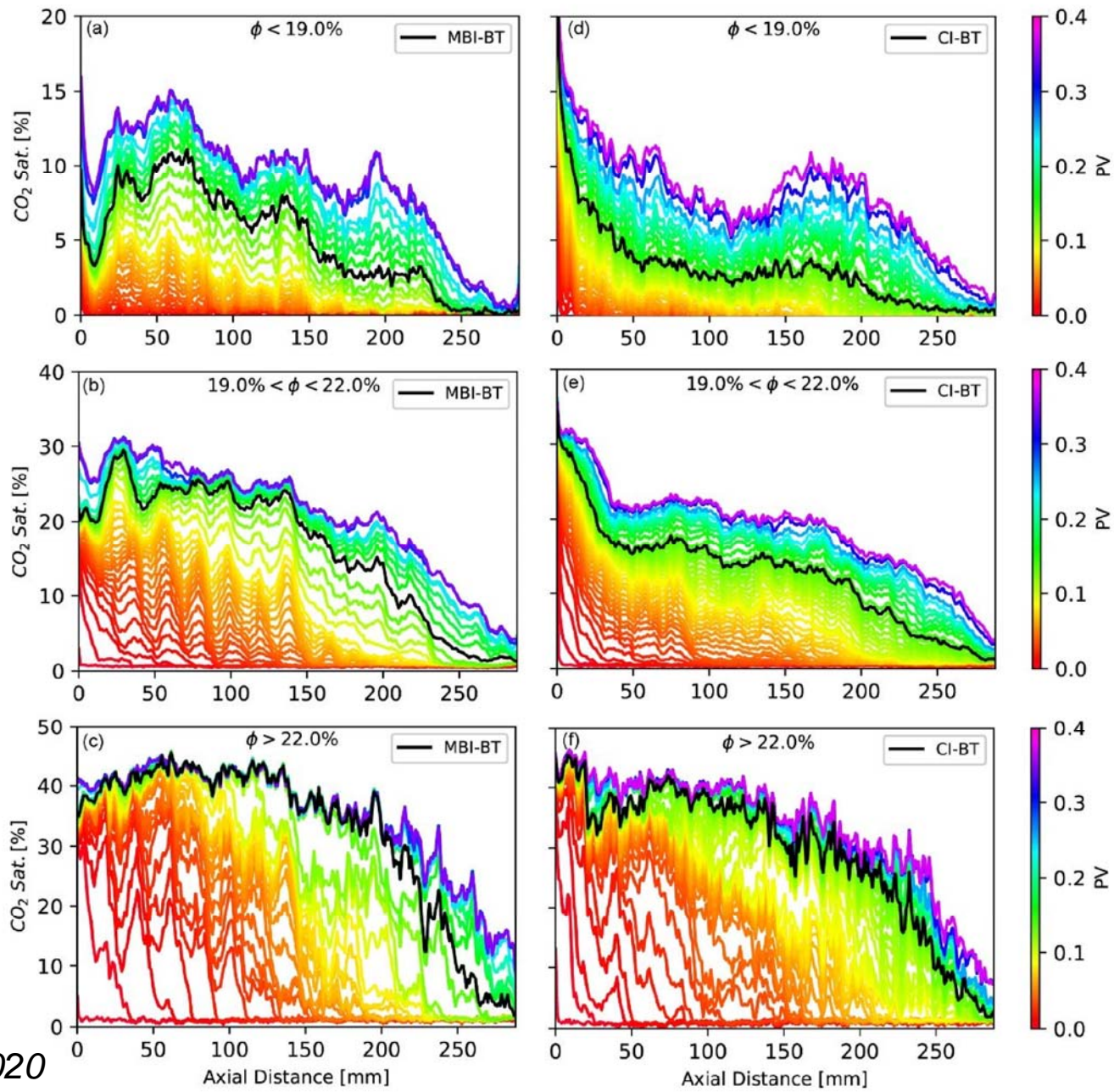
**A big difference
 in low permeability layer**



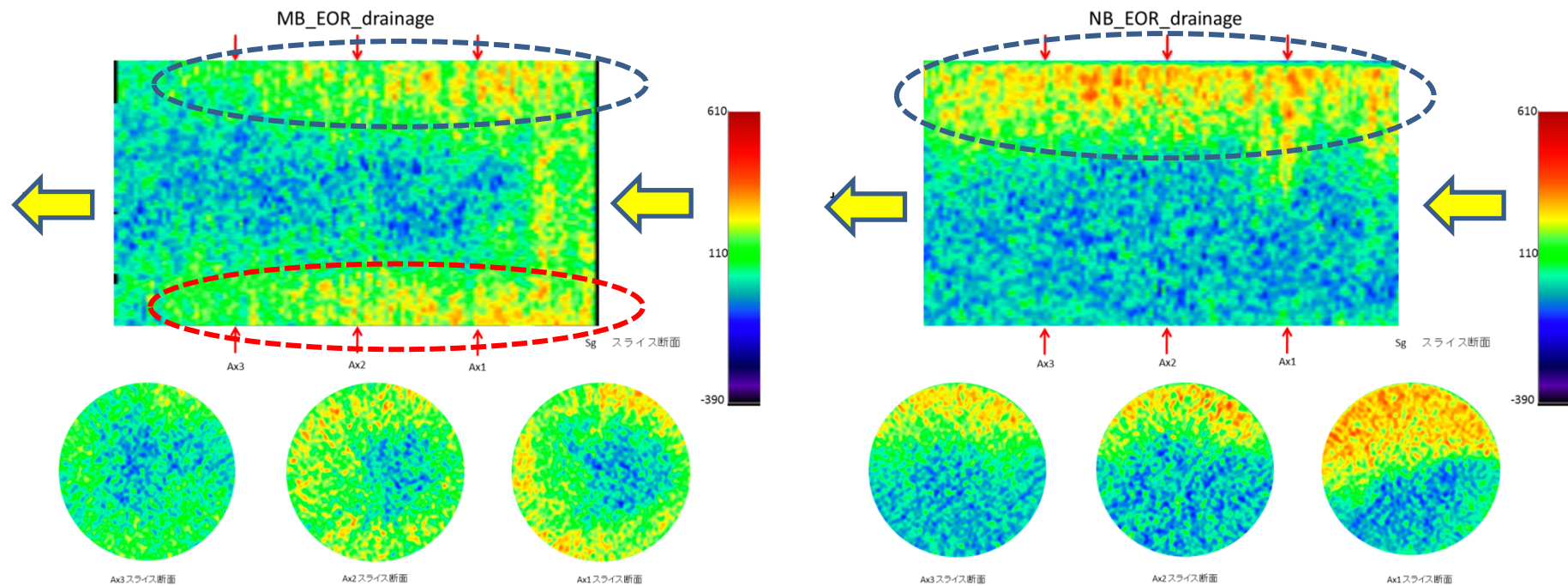
CO₂ Saturation profile along Berea longitudinal direction



CO₂ Saturation in heterogenous porous zones



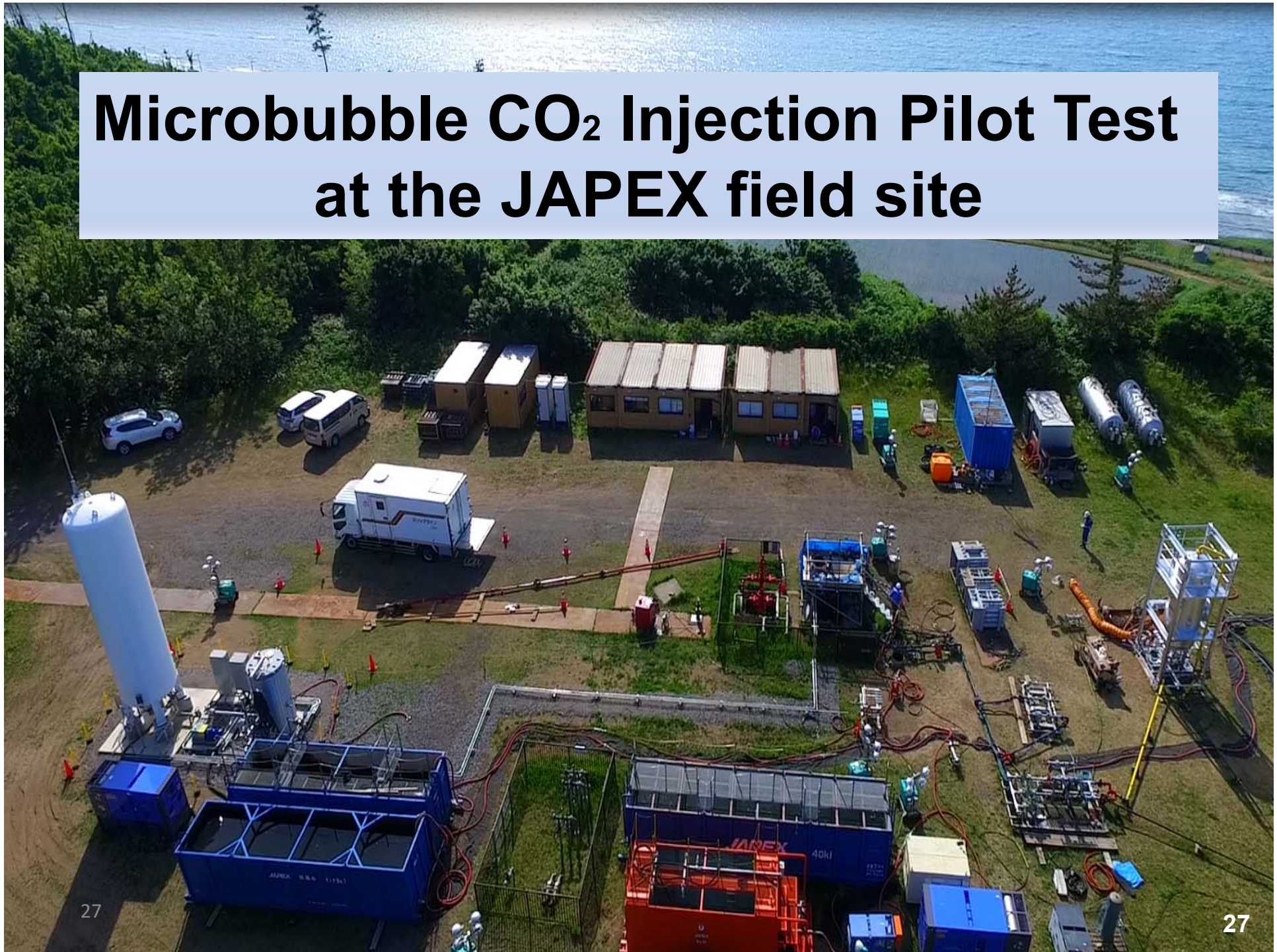
Gravity Override of the Injected CO₂ In high permeability reservoir

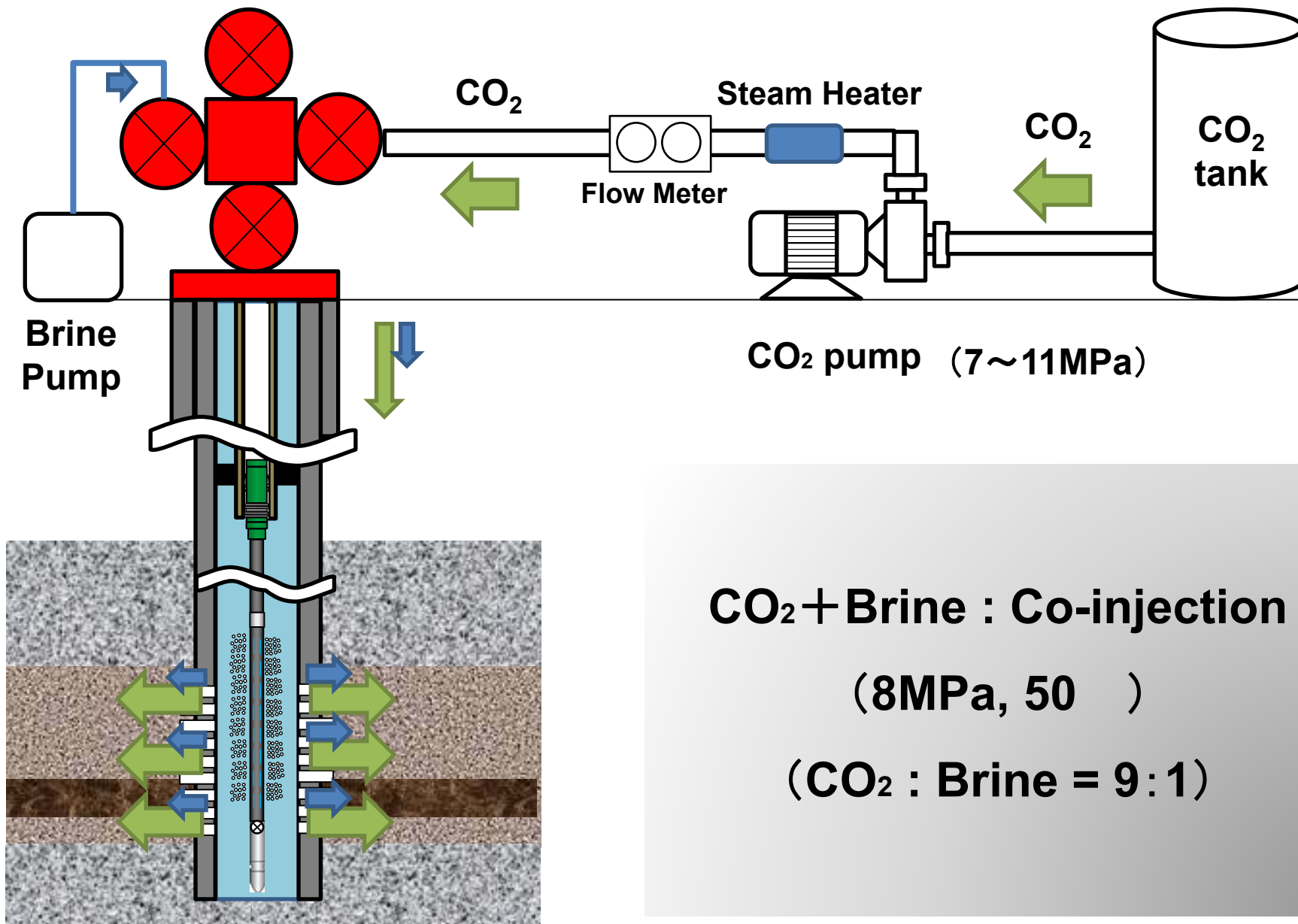


Elapsed time: 40 min; Left: MB-EOR; Right: NB-EOR

(Xue et al., 2014)

Microbubble CO₂ Injection Pilot Test at the JAPEX field site

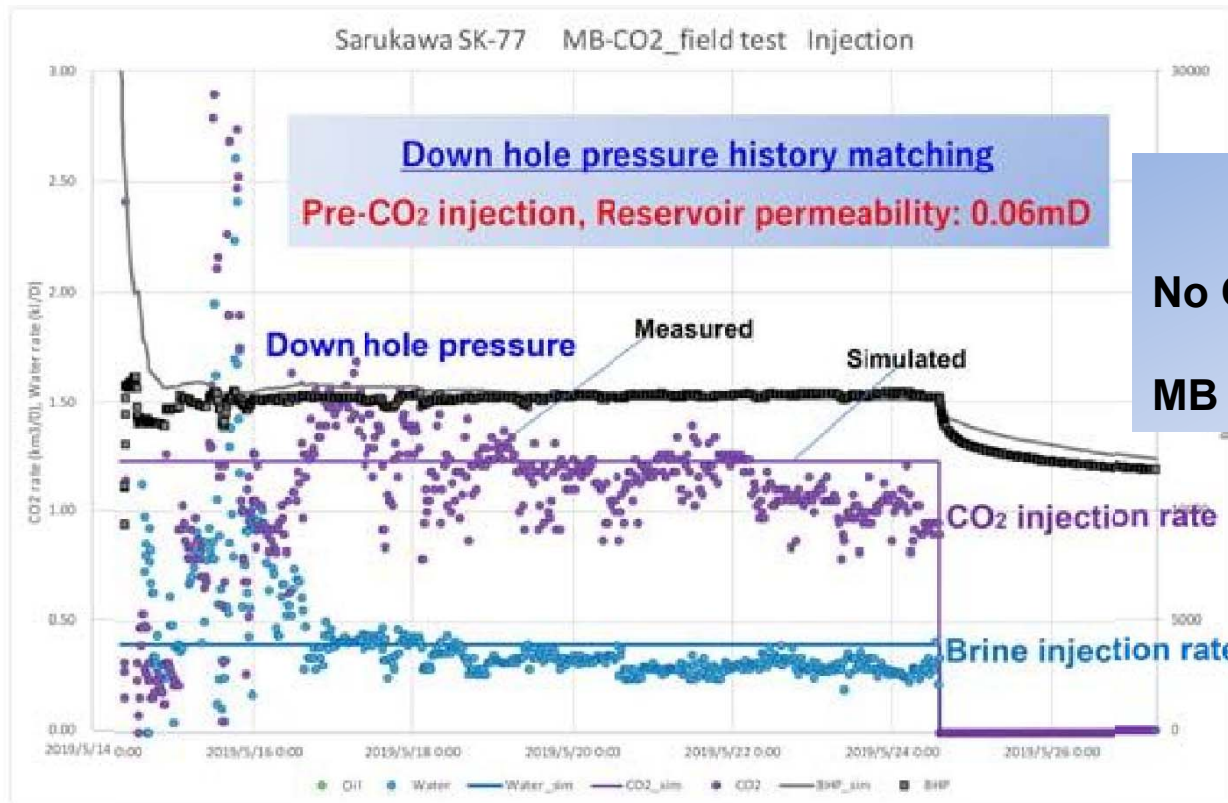




上田ほか、2020; Xue et al., 2021)

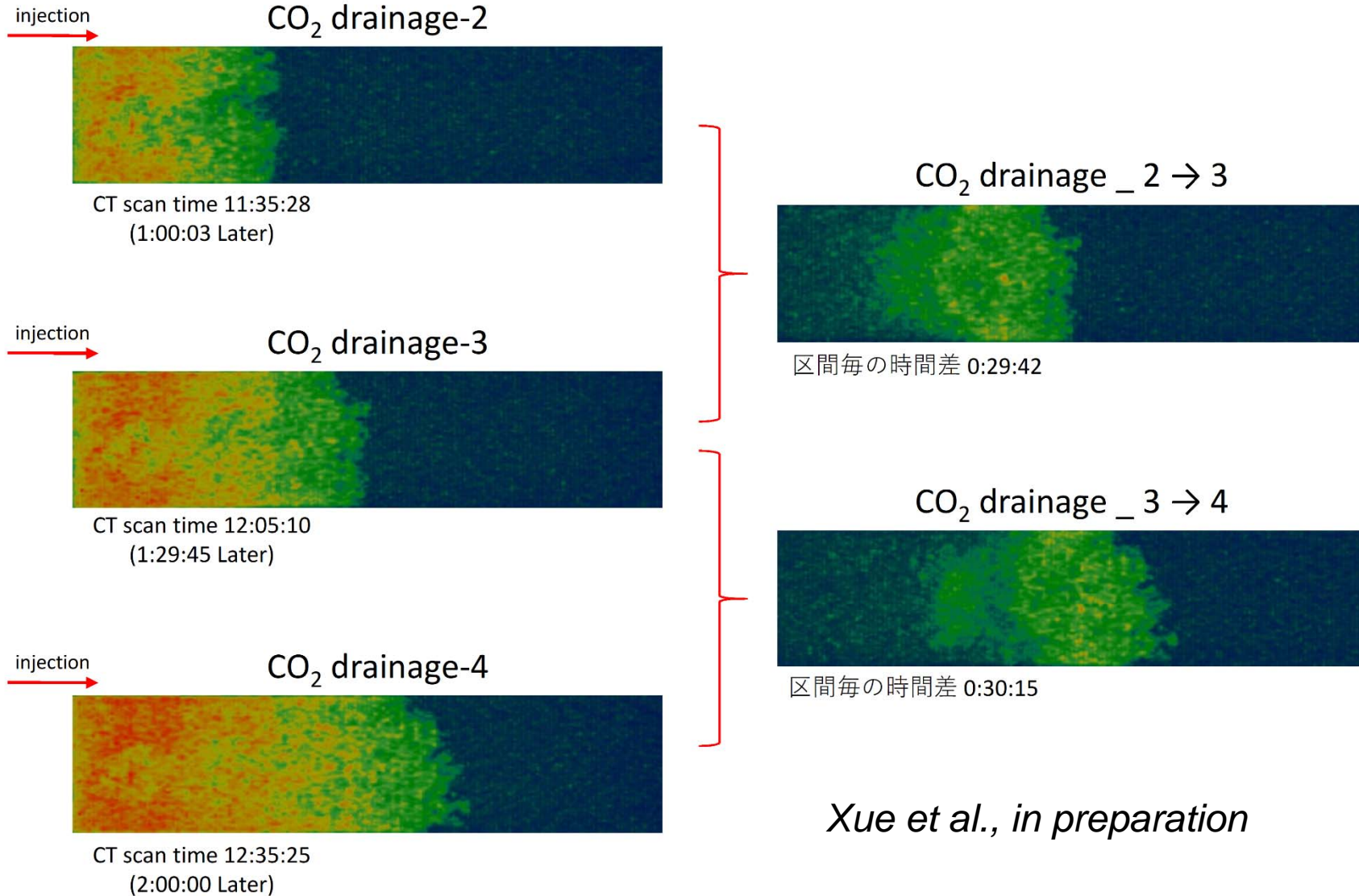
Table 1 Results of the injection and production tests

	Injection		Production			CO ₂ stored	Injection index
	tonne	KL	tonne	KL	KL		
Microbubble injection	CO ₂	brine	CO ₂	brine	oil	80%	0.39 tonne/D/MPa
	20	4	3.9	1.2	0.6		
Conventional injection	CO ₂	brine	CO ₂	brine	oil	63%	0.09 tonne/D/MPa
	5.8	1.2	2.1	0.35	0		



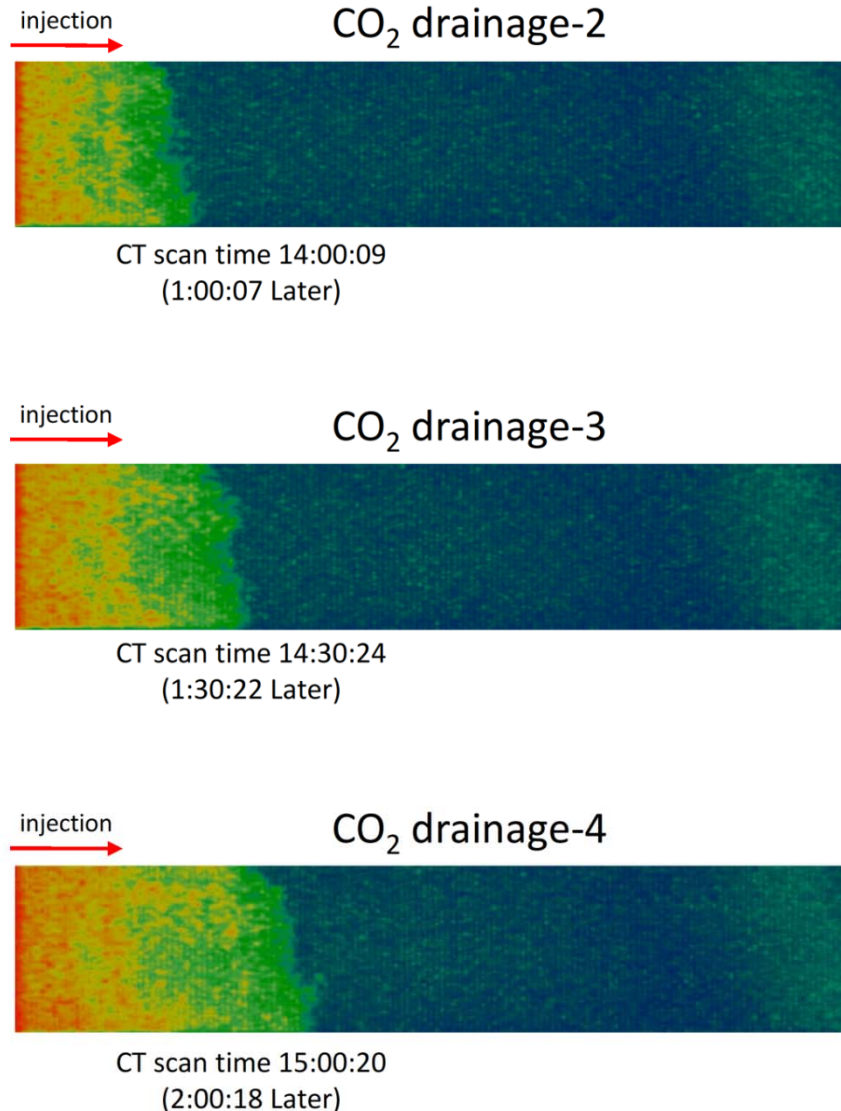
Oil Production
 No CO₂ injection: 60 Liter
 MB CO₂ injection: 600 Liter

Visualization of **Normal bubble** CO₂ Injection in low permeability (0.01mD) sandstone with X-CT



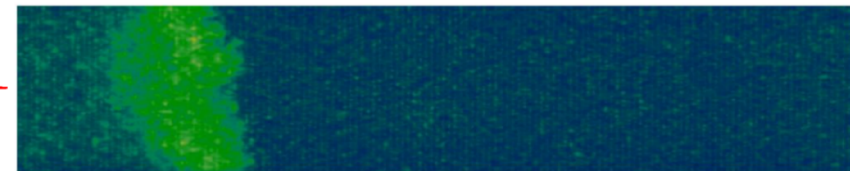
Xue et al., in preparation

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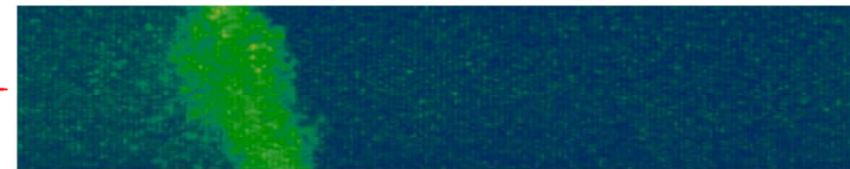
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CO₂ drainage _ 2 → 3



区間毎の時間差 0:30:15

CO₂ drainage _ 3 → 4



区間毎の時間差 0:29:56

Injecting MB CO₂: Penetrate and Flood low permeability zones, Improve Sweep Efficiency !

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Microbubble CO₂ Injection Technology

TRL 4 →→→ TRL 7

High potential →→→ Highly Recommended

Microbubble CO₂ Injection →→→ Improving Storage Efficiency

Storage Efficiency: 63% up to 80% →→→ More Economical

* minor modelling and laboratory investigations may be required prior to commercial scale application

The Norwegian CCS demonstration project

Ship transport from capture to storage terminal – pipeline to offshore storage complex

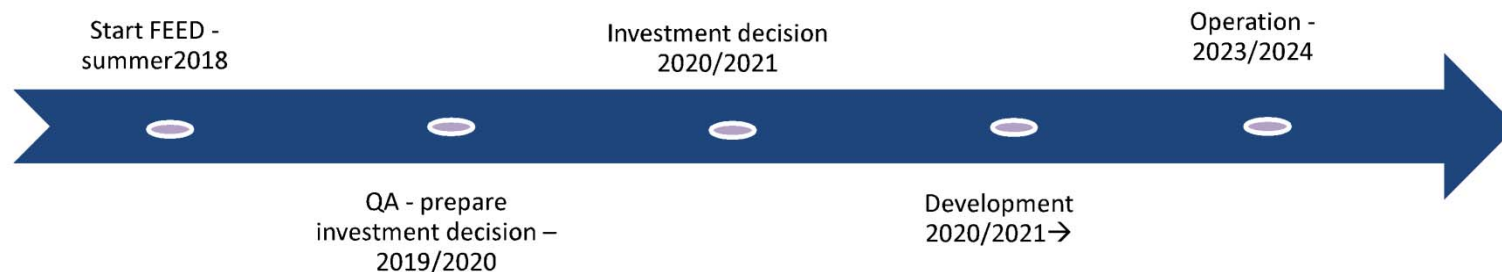
Olje- og energidepartementet

Waste-to-energy
400 000 tonnes CO₂ per annum

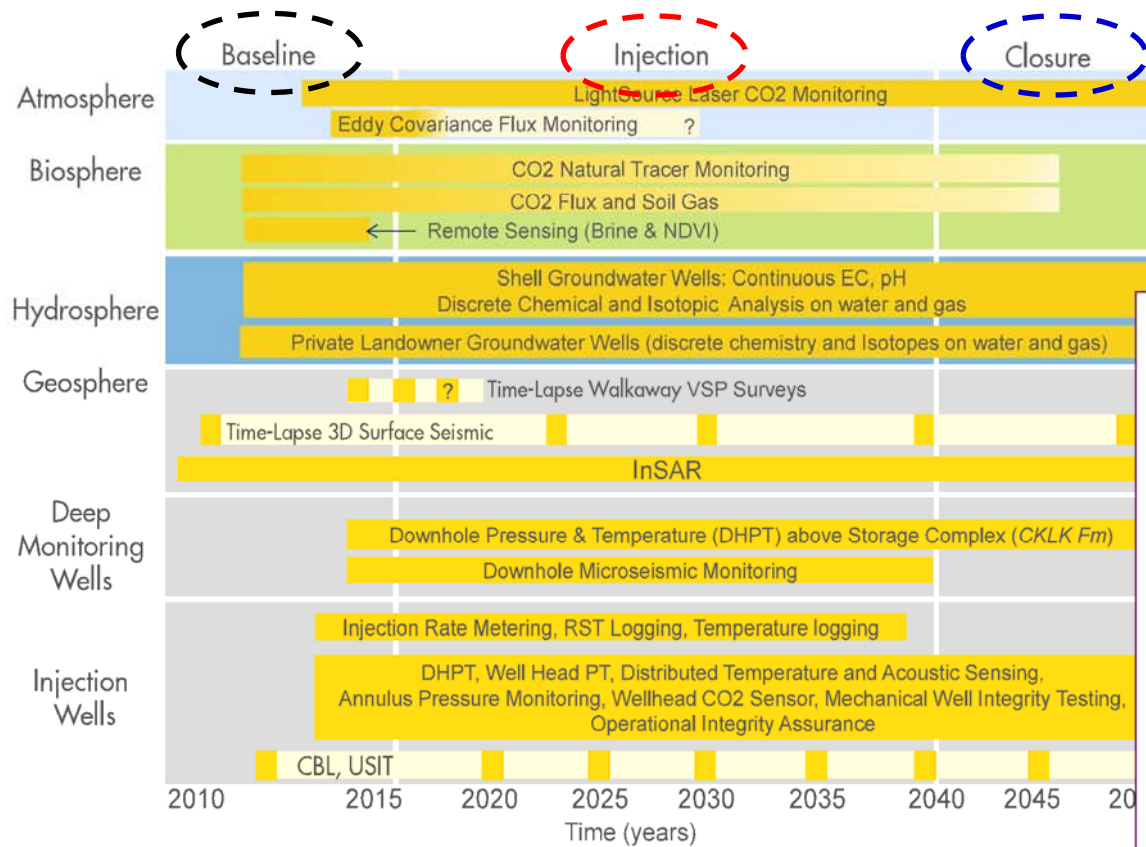
Cement production
400 000 tonnes CO₂ per annum

23 years experience with CCS and CO₂ Storage offshore Norway

"...realise a cost-effective solution for full-scale CCS in Norway, provided that this incite technology development in an international perspective".



MMV plan throughout the project life @QUEST



(based on ISO standard)

- First of a kind – conservative approach
- Comprehensive: from atmosphere to geosphere
- Risk-based
- Site-specific
- Independently reviewed
- Combination of new and traditional technologies
- Baseline data collected before start-up

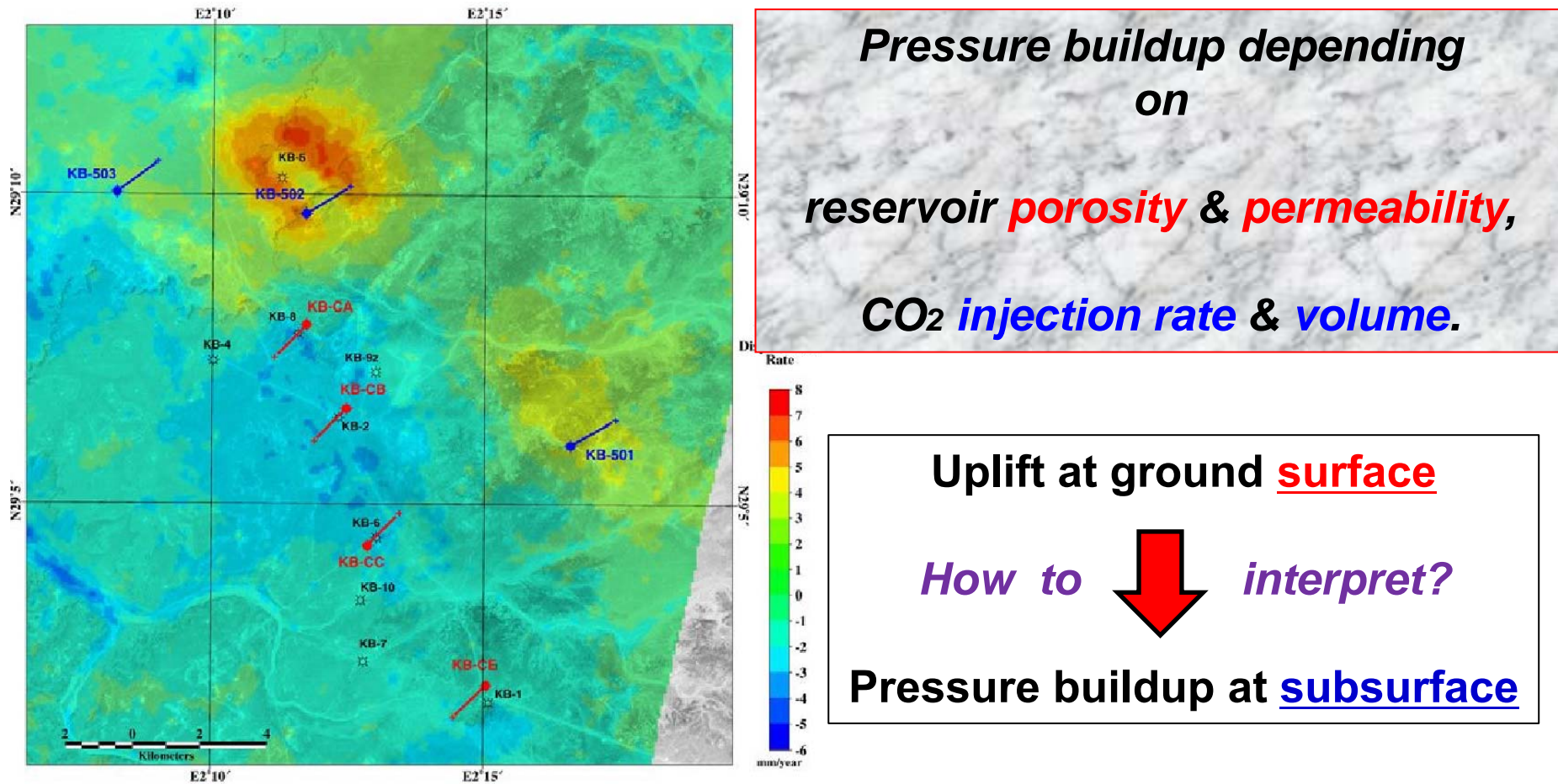
MMV: Measurement, Monitoring and Verification

➤ **Advanced Monitoring by US/DOE**

- Monitoring at a carbon storage site is necessary to **track the movement** of CO₂ and **assure permanence** for geologic storage.
- **Advanced monitoring** technologies are needed to **decrease the cost and uncertainty** in measurements and satisfy regulations.
- Giving site operators the ability to: (1) measure **critical subsurface parameters** associated with the injected CO₂, (2) provide measurements of **down-hole** and reservoir conditions for **real-time decision making** and **process optimization**, and (3) provide **long-term** post-injection monitoring of the fate of injected CO₂.
- **Transformational sensor** to support demonstration and deployment of advanced coal power with CCS **beginning in 2025**.

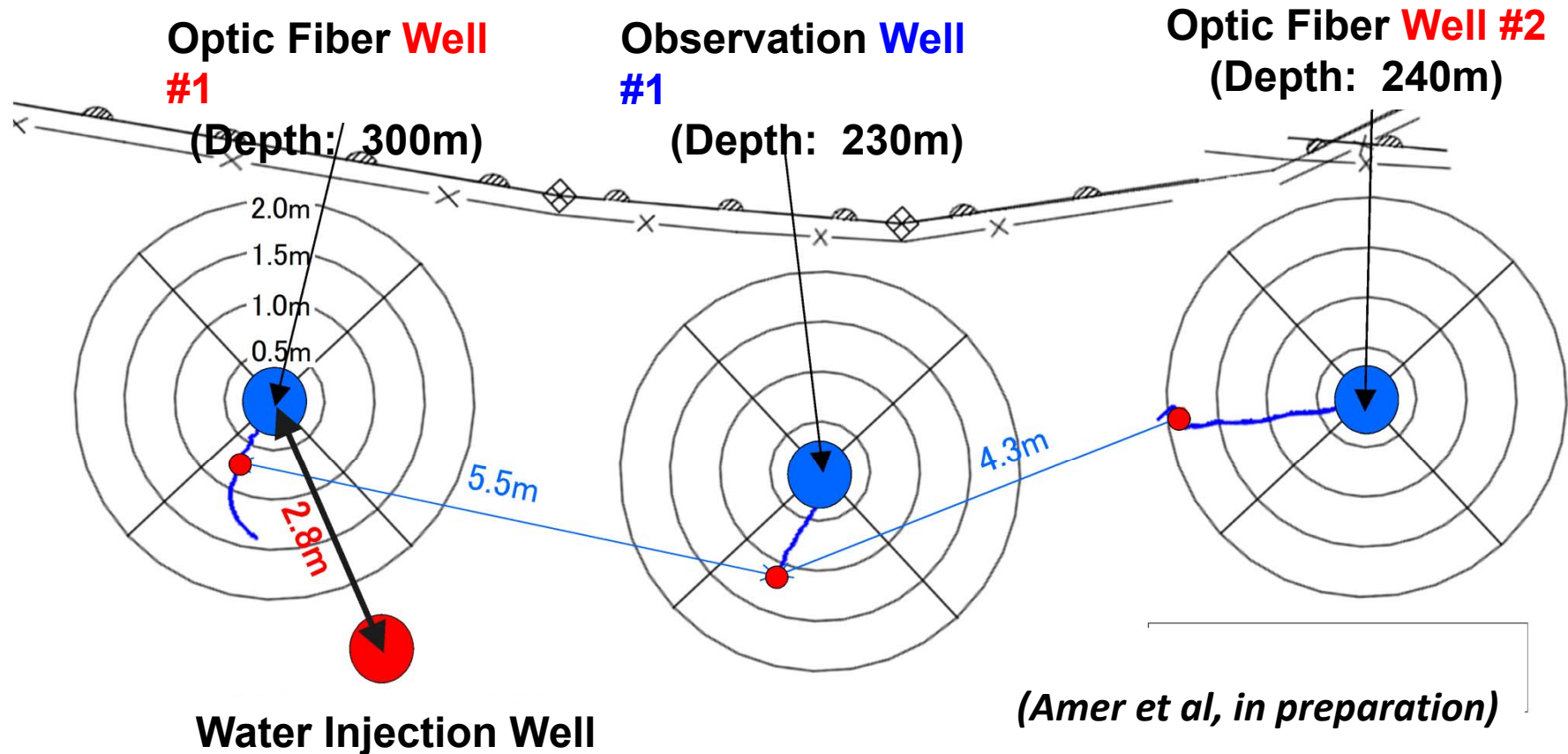
Fiber Optic Sensing: temperature, **pressure, strain, acoustic**, fluid chemistry

Uplift at In Salah CO₂ Injection Site



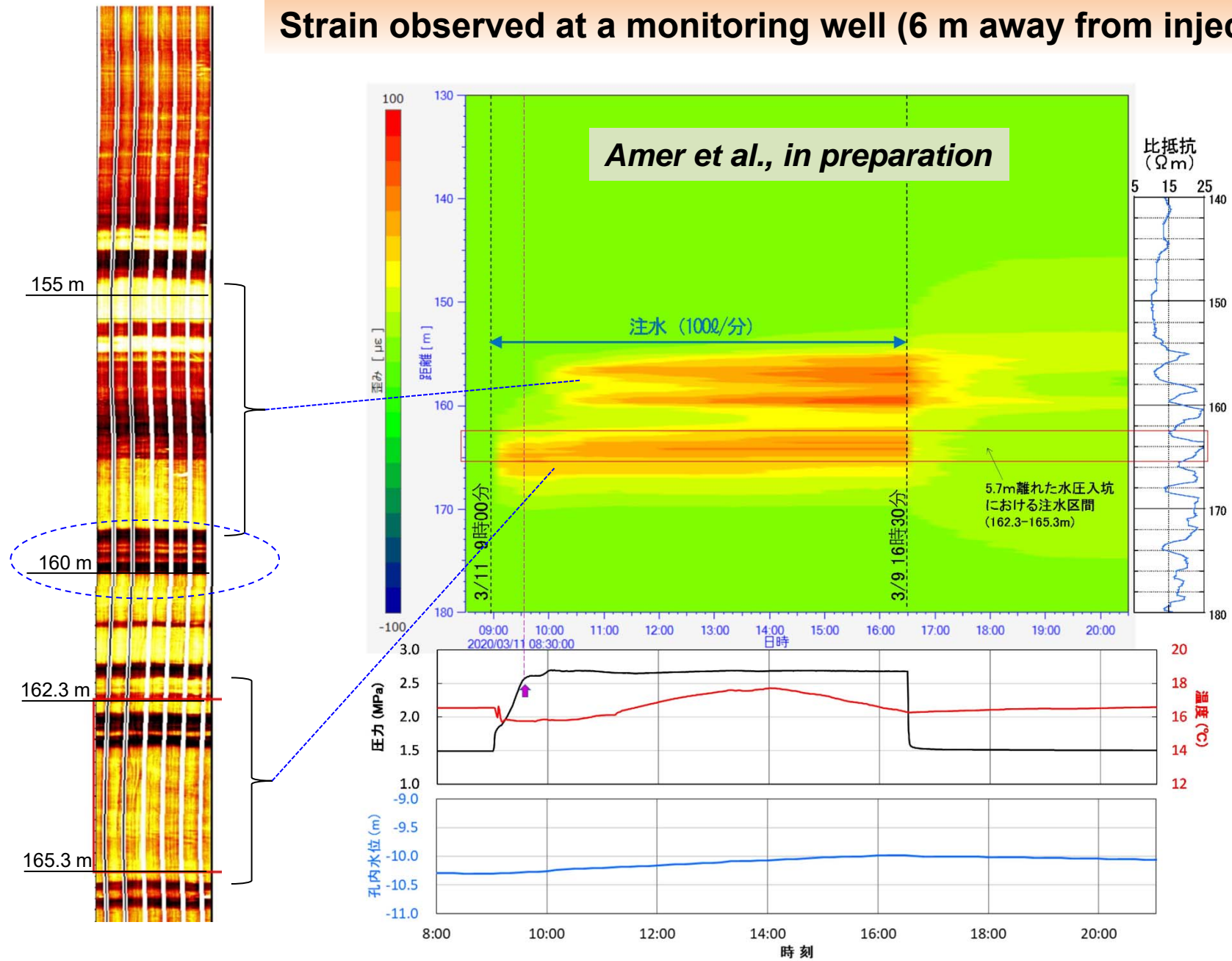
Need continual strain data along depth?

Field Experiments on Well Integrity Monitoring with Distributed Fiber Optic Strain (DFOS) Measurement

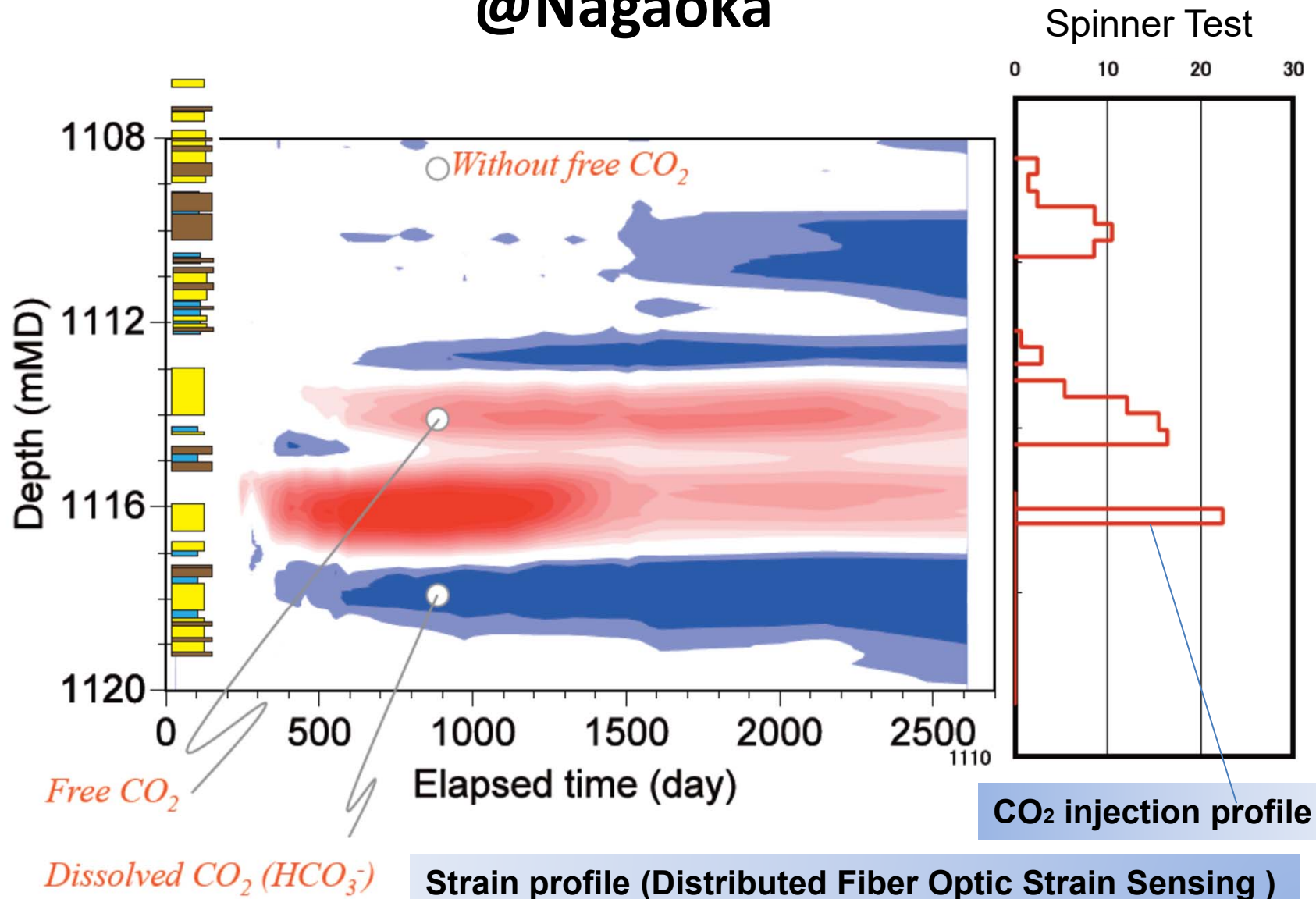


How optic fiber responses to deformation in alternate layers of sand and mud during water injection?

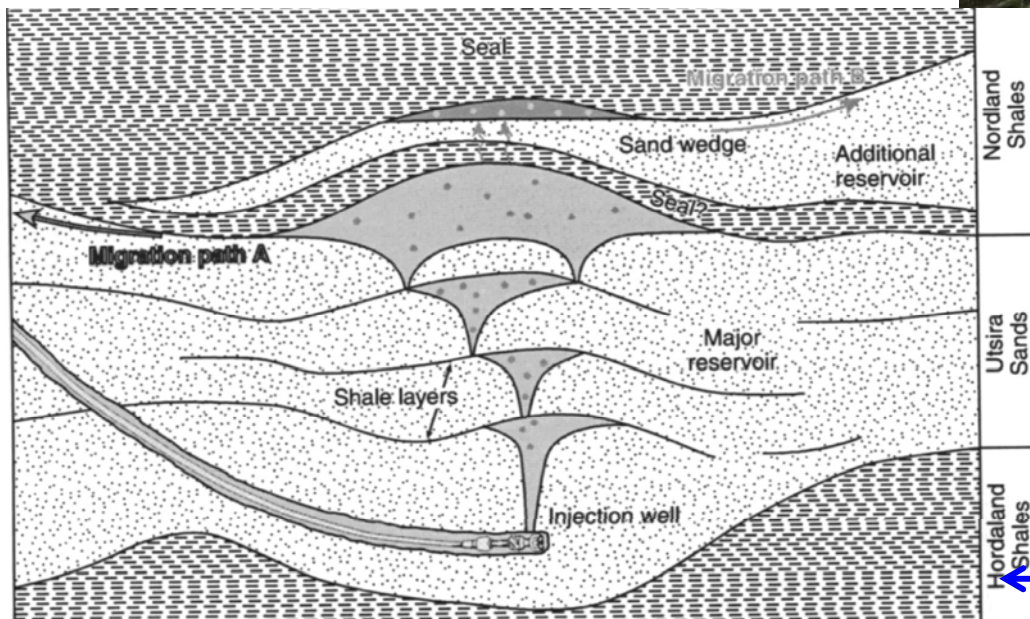
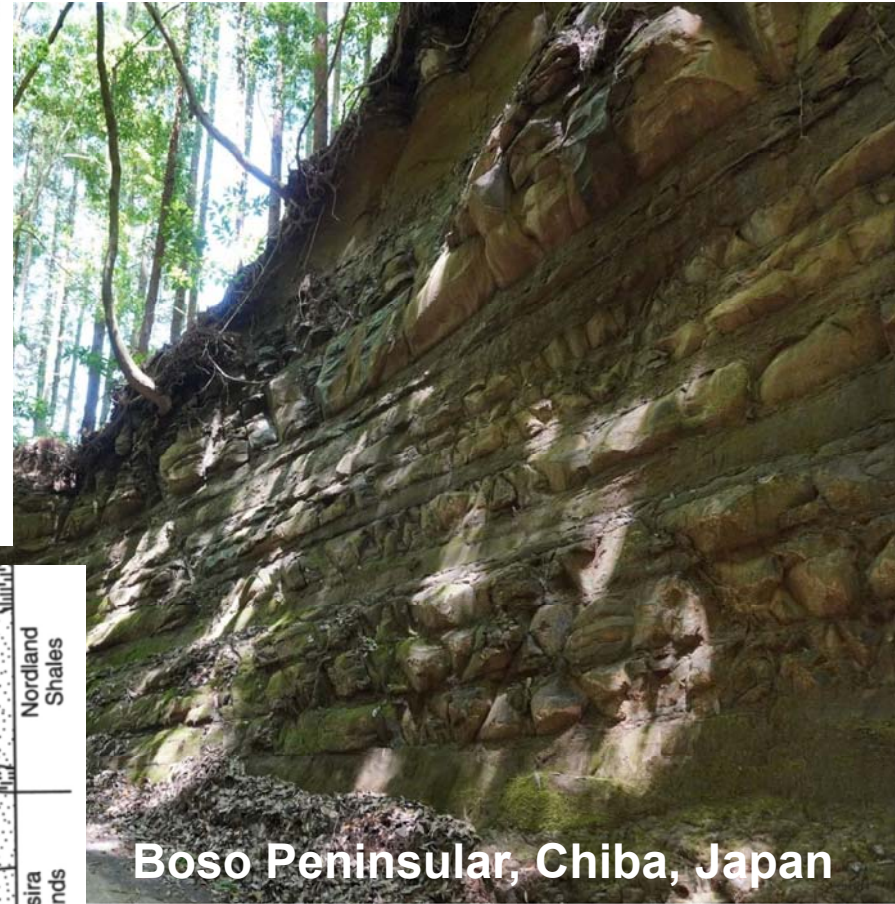
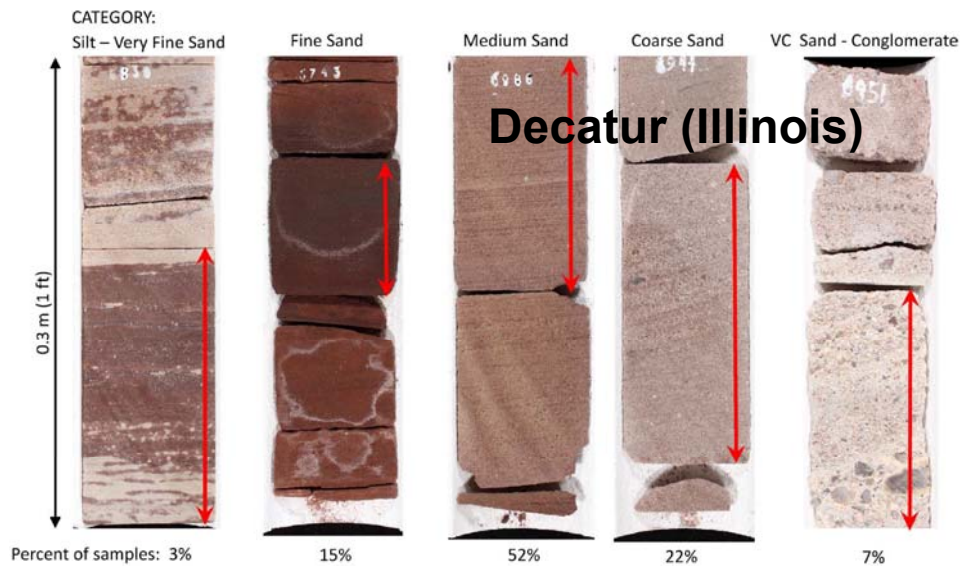
Strain observed at a monitoring well (6 m away from injector)



Injection Profile and CO₂ Distribution @Nagaoka

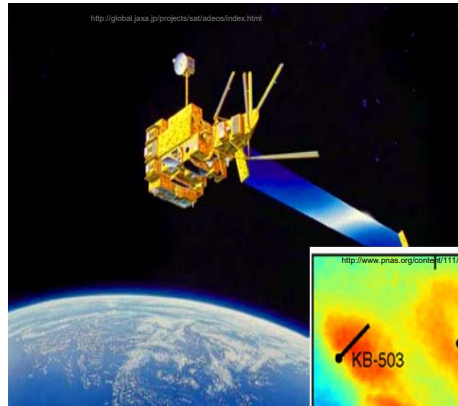


Alternation of Sand and Mud →→ Heterogeneity & Anisotropy of Sand

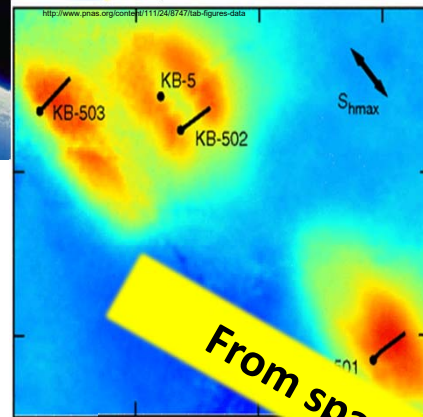


Schematic representation of the Sleipner storage system

International Collaboration on Fiber Optic Sensing



Satellite measurements+ GPS and geodesy for onshore sites

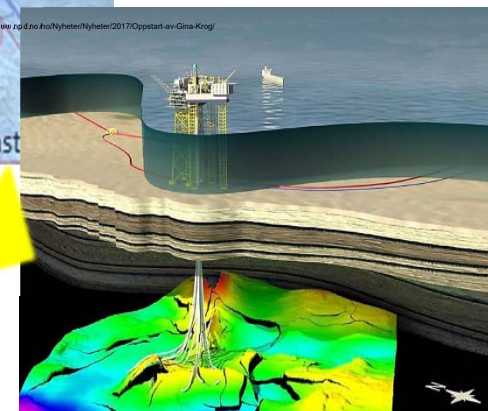


Demonstration of concept and methods: onshore surface heave (e.g. In Salah)

Onshore: North Dakota Univ. /US



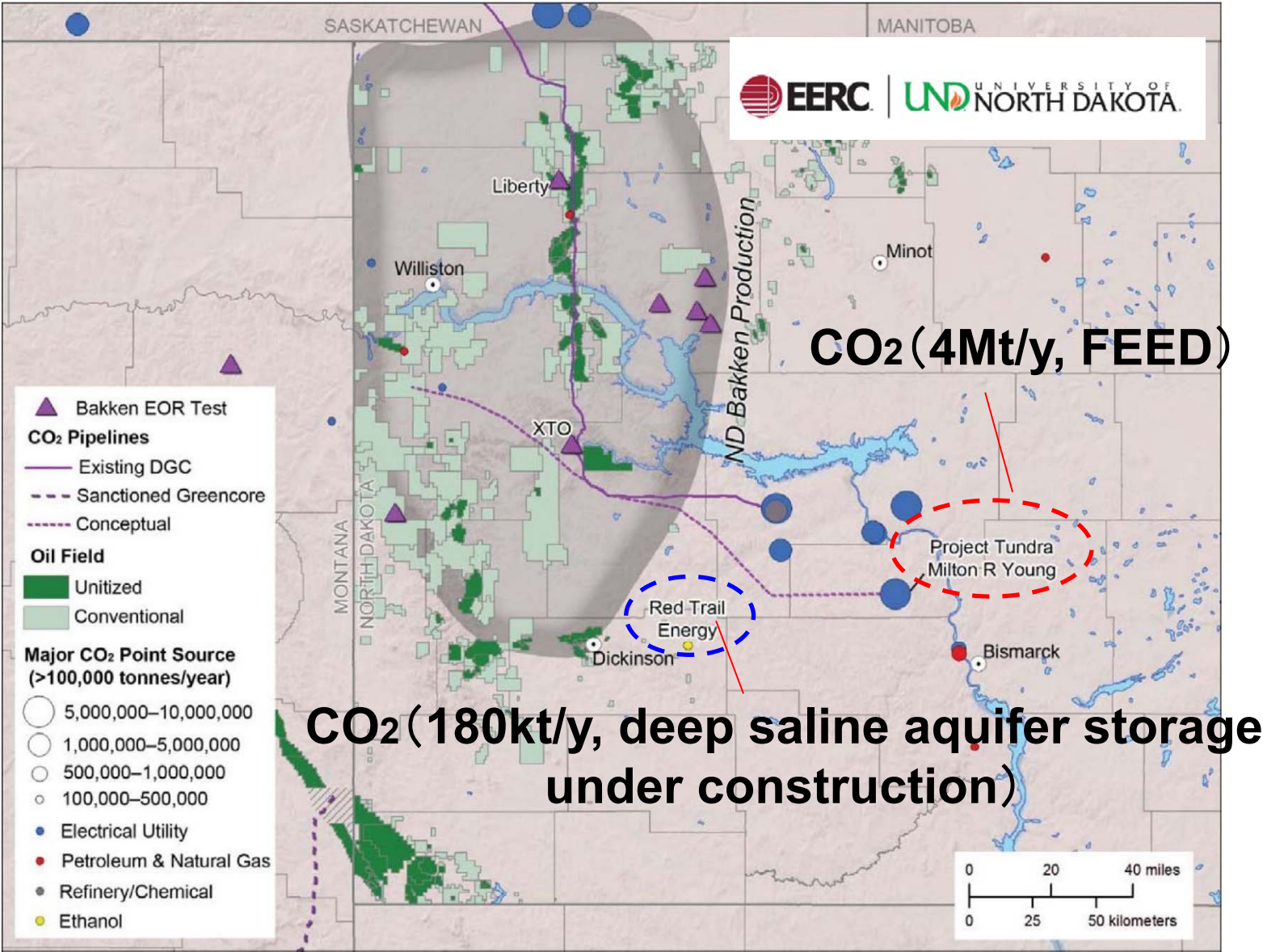
Offshore: NGI /Norway



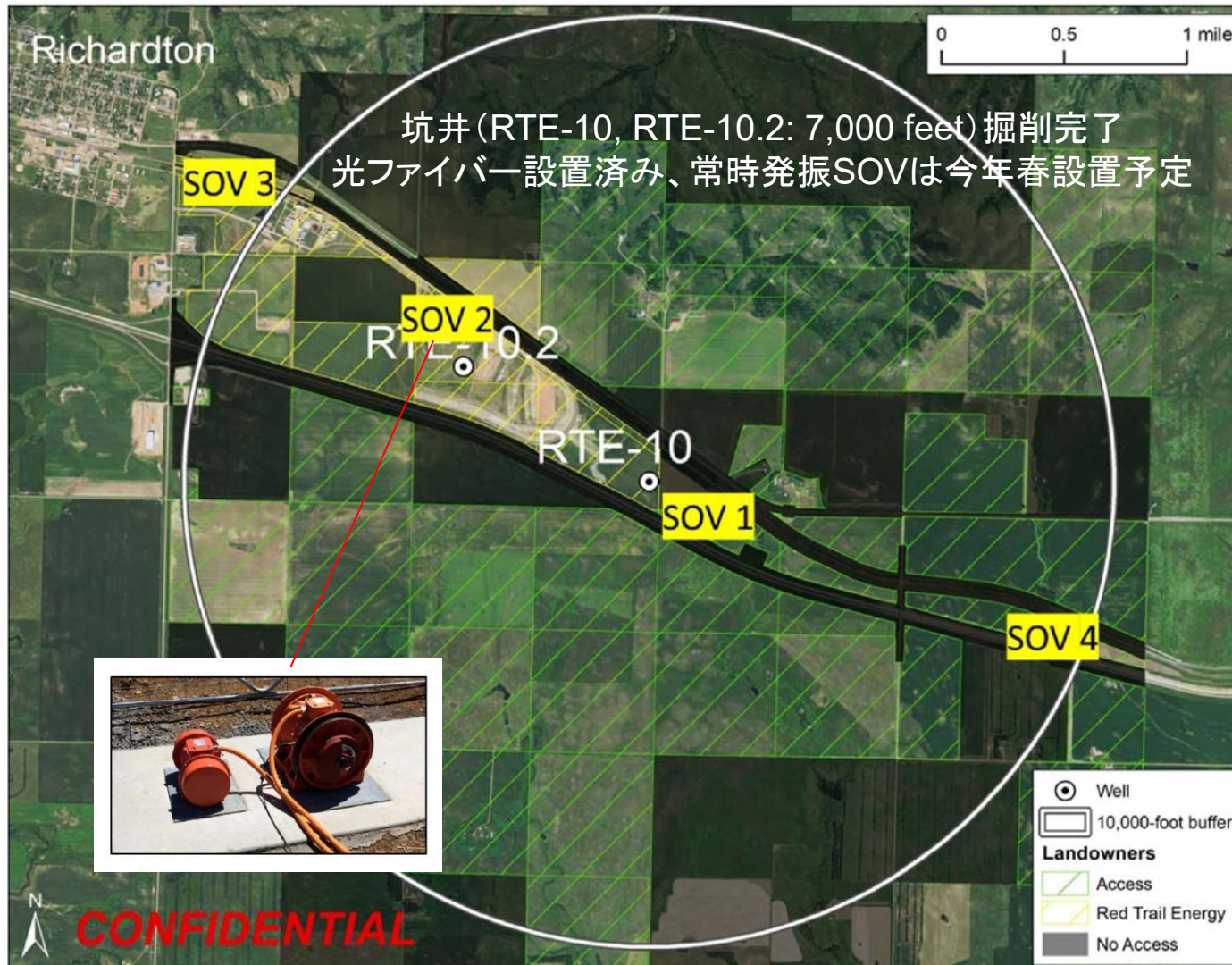
From space to the subsurface

A **fully-coupled** Surface-Sub surface Distributed Geomechanical Monitoring has been scheduled at North Dakota, USA.

US-Japan CCUS Collaboration at North Dakota

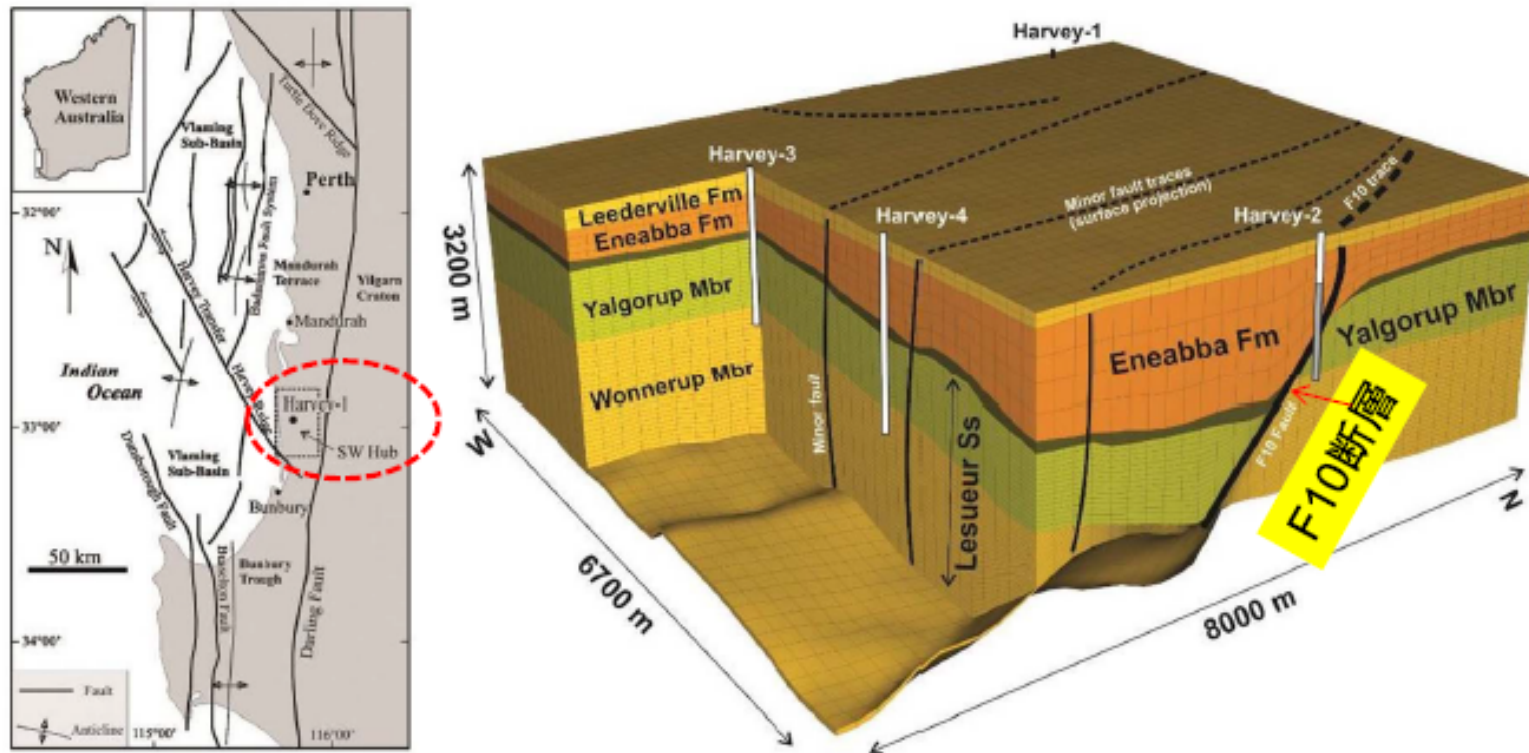


DAS/VSP for CO₂ Monitoring and Distributed Strain Sensing for Geomechanical Monitoring at North Dakota

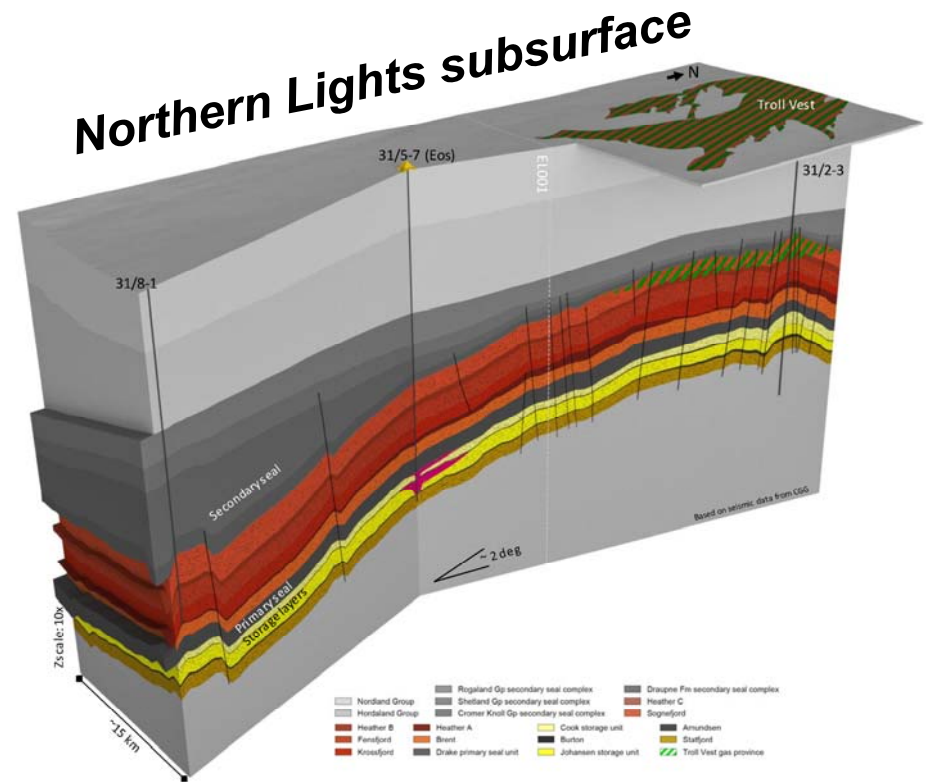
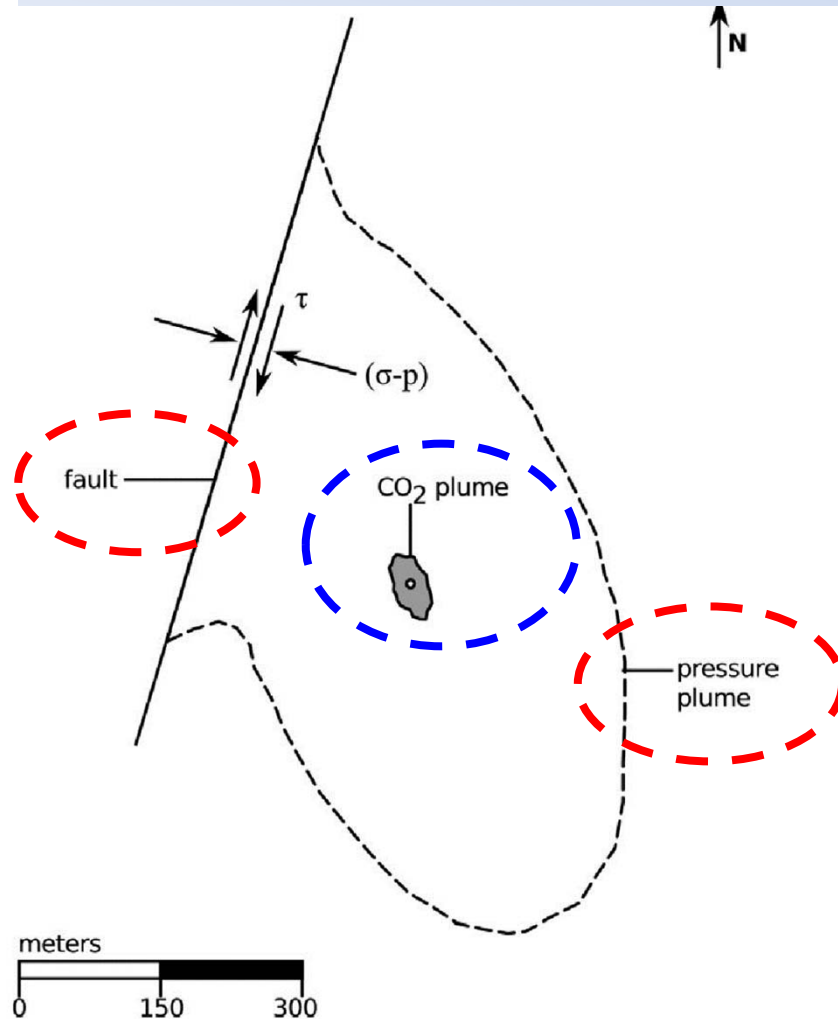


A New Collaboration on Fault Integrity Monitoring between Australia and Japan at In-Situ Lab

The South West Hub In-Situ Laboratory – A Facility for CO₂ Injection Testing and Monitoring in a Fault Zone



CO₂ plume front vs pressure front (Geomechanical Modeling)



Schematic of the subsurface going from south to north through the 31/5-7 (Eos) CO₂ confirmation well. The CO₂ plume extent after 37.5 Mt injection is illustrated in magenta.

<https://www.equinor.com/en/news/20201019-sharing-data-northern-lights.html>

3. 大規模CO₂地中貯留の実現に向けて



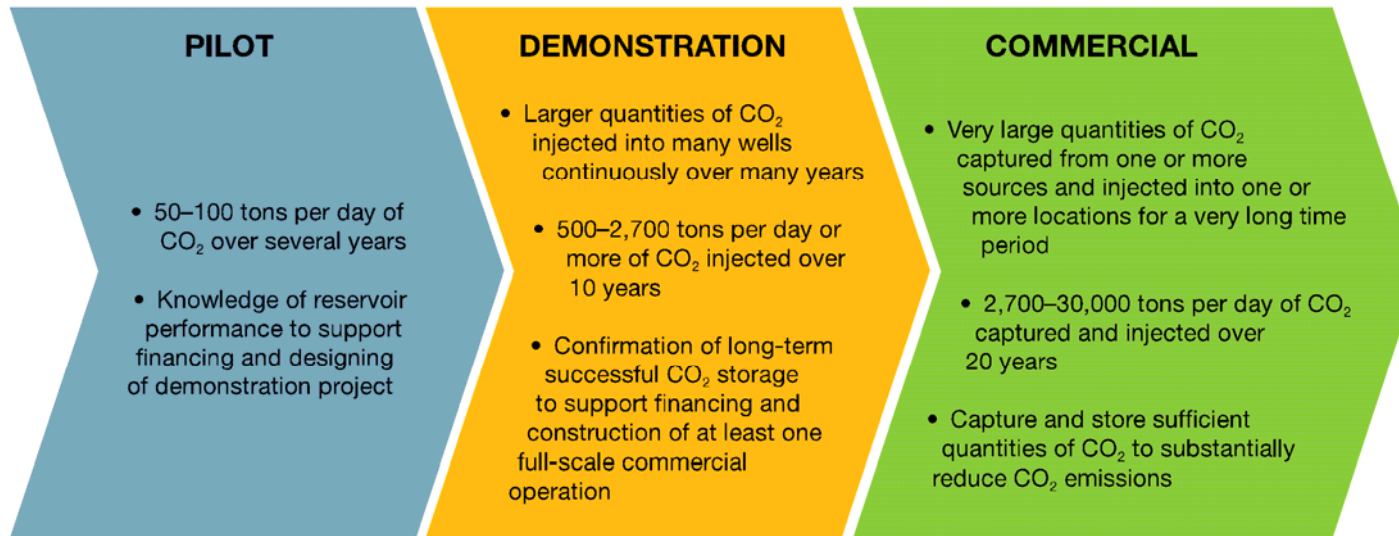
Can We Achieve Gigatonne CO₂ Storage?



Stages of Carbon Capture and Storage Development

LEARNING by DOING !

Source: ADB, 2013



***Most* CCS/CCUS projects operating in North America and Europa and main operators are major oil and gas companies.**

***Some* projects in East Asian countries (China, Japan, South Korea), Australia and Middle East, but less in Southeast Asian countries.**



"...realise a **cost-effective** solution for full-scale CCS in Norway, provided that this incite **technology development in an international perspective**".

Carbon Storage Program

Improving and Optimizing Performance

US/DOE(2019)

Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnerships (RCSPs)



2005-2011
1 million tons

Advancing monitoring and measurement tools: improving characterization and reducing the uncertainty about the CO₂ and pressure fronts.



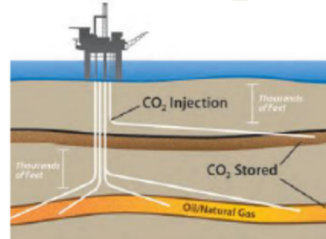
Fiber Optic Distributed Acoustic Sensing (DAS)

CarbonSAFE



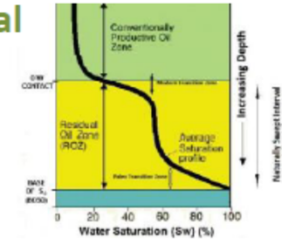
50+ million tons

Offshore Storage



Unconventional EOR

Shale Oil EOR



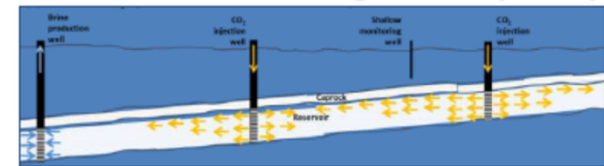
2011- (new regional initiative)

CARBON STORAGE PROGRAM

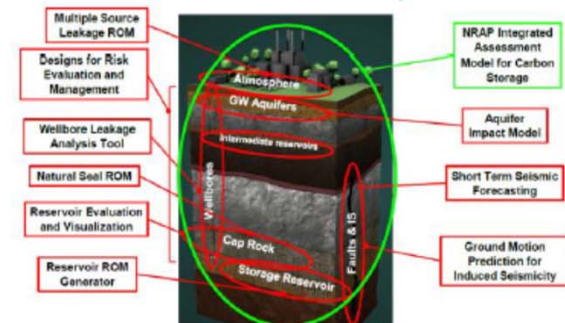


光ファイバーセンシング技術
(分布式音響測定 - DAS)



Brine Extraction Storage Tests (BEST)



National Risk Assessment Partnership (NRAP) is developing toolsets to reduce uncertainty and quantify potential impacts related to release of CO₂ and induced seismicity

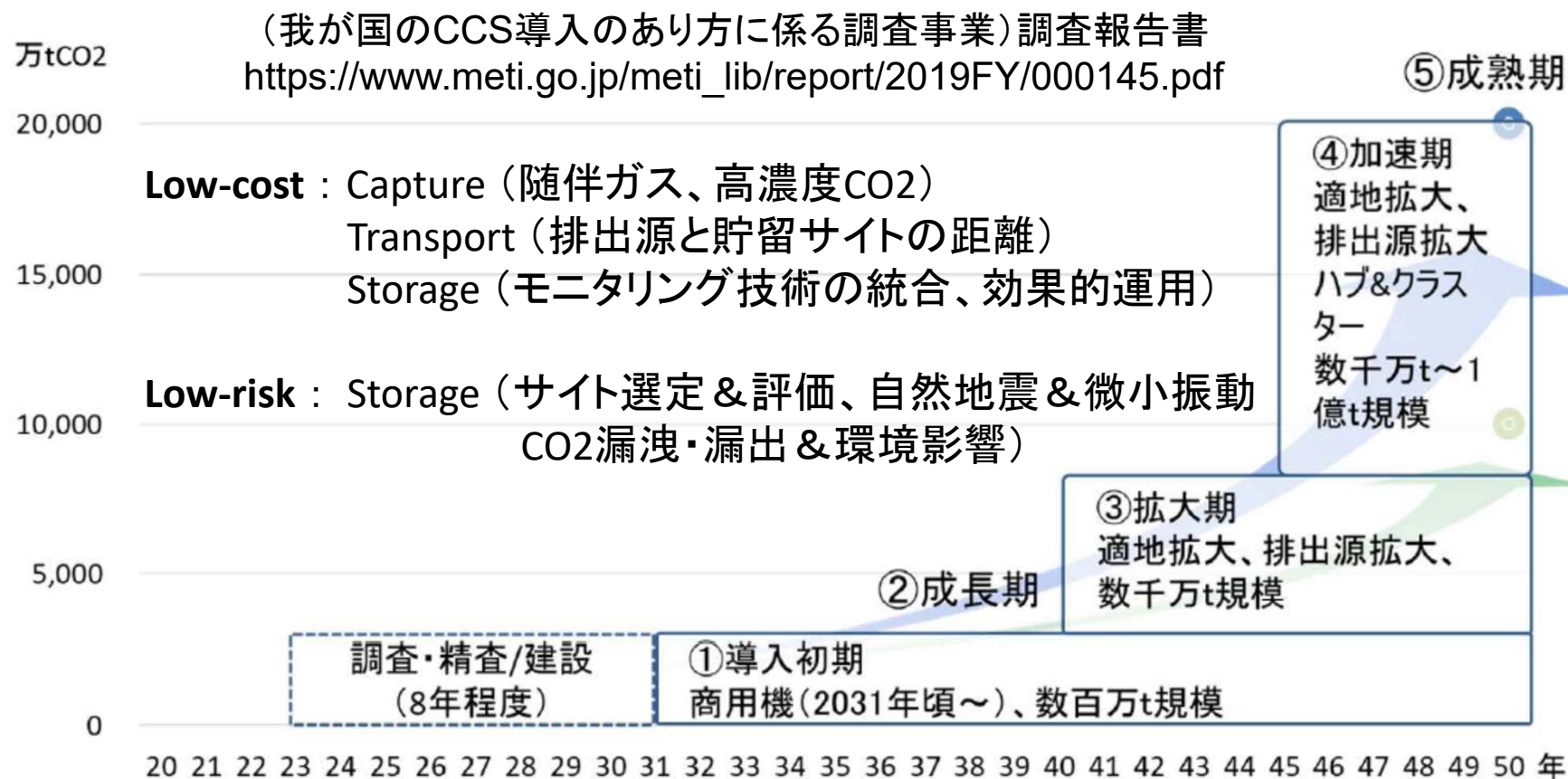


**US/DOE: RCSP (計1MT) →→ CarbonSAFE (目標: 50+MT)
→→ New Regional Initiative**

Awardee	New Regional Initiative CCUS Selections	Project
Battelle Memorial Institute 		Regional Initiative to Accelerate CCUS Deployment in the Midwest and Northeastern USA
New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology 		Carbon Utilization and Storage Partnership of the Western United States
Southern States Energy Board 		Southeast Regional Carbon Utilization & Storage Partnership (SECARB-USA)
University of North Dakota 		Plains Carbon Dioxide Reduction (PCOR) Partnership Initiative to Accelerate CCUS Deployment

- To identify and address **knowledge gaps** under a new Regional Initiative to **Accelerate CCUS Deployment**.
- To identify and **promote potential infrastructure** and/or carbon utilization/storage **projects** that will help enable **low emission coal-based facilities** of the future.

➤ Scaling up to Commercial



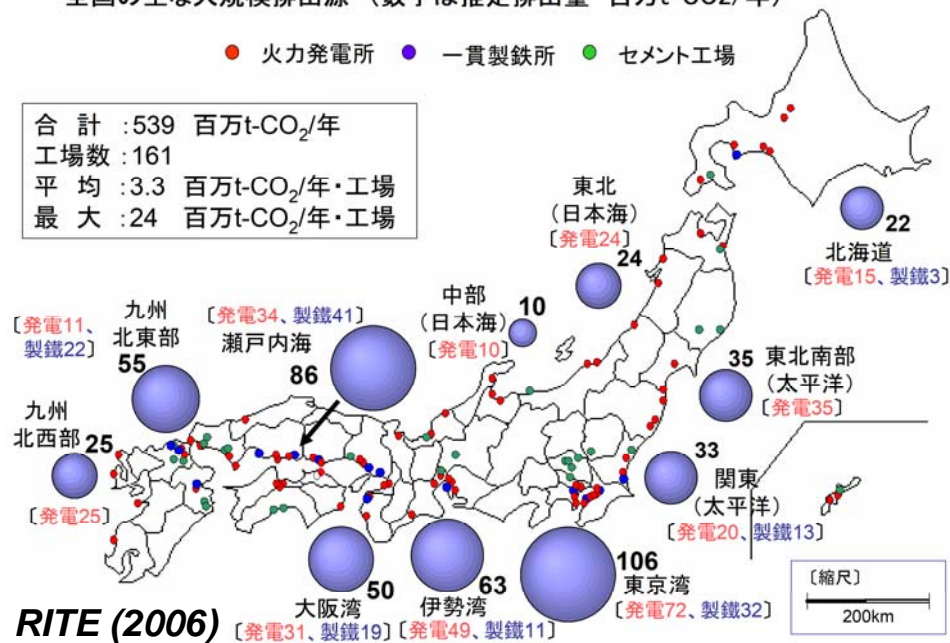
2050年に向けて、徐々に拡大するケース

SRM: CO₂ Storage Resources Management (経済性評価込み)

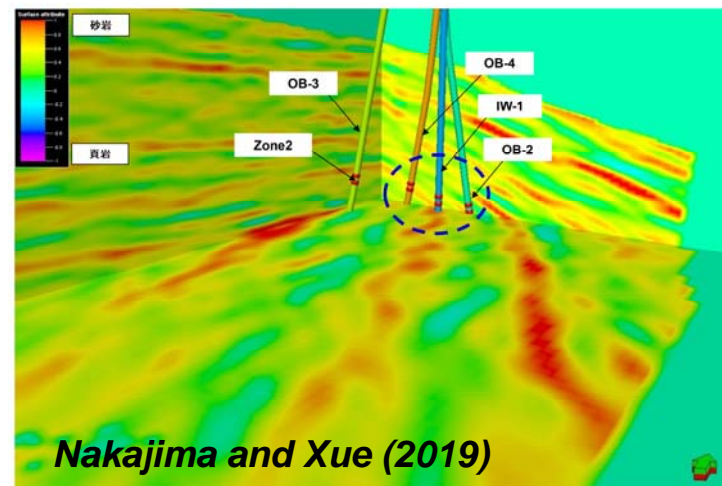
全国の主な大規模排出源 (数字は推定排出量 百万t-CO₂/年)

● 火力発電所 ● 一貫製鉄所 ● セメント工場

合計 : 539 百万t-CO₂/年
工場数 : 161
平均 : 3.3 百万t-CO₂/年・工場
最大 : 24 百万t-CO₂/年・工場

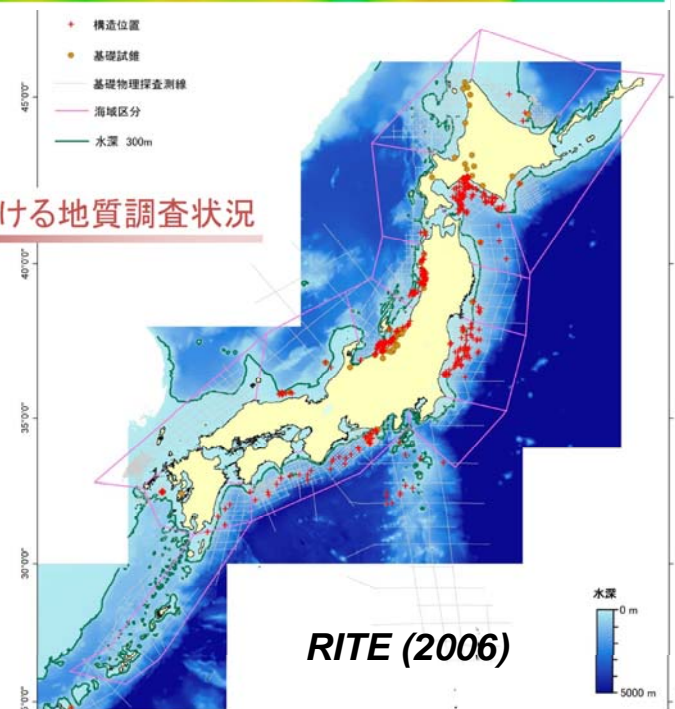


RITE (2006)



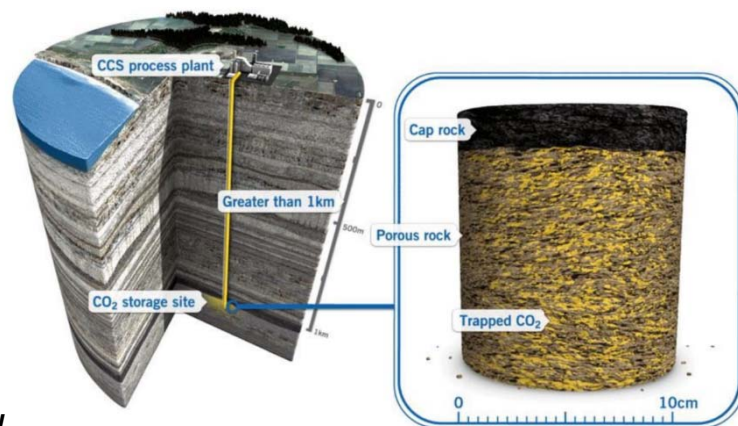
Nakajima and Xue (2019)

国内における地質調査状況



RITE (2006)

1. Depth: > 1 km
2. Location:
 - reservoir and containment
 - accessible
3. Capacity:
 - Space to hold all the planned CO₂



Source: GCCSI

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