



Energy research Centre of the Netherlands

Overview European CCS activities and R&D work at ECN

CCS Workshop RITE
February 15th and 16th, 2007



Overview presentation

Introduction ECN (Energy research Centre, The Netherlands)

- European CCS Projects
 - CASTOR
 - ENCAPE
 - CACHET
- Activities in the Netherlands
 - CATO
 - Other initiatives
- ECN CCS activities
 - Membrane reactors
 - Sorption enhanced reactors



ECN key data

Employees:	620 fte
Annual turnover:	68 Meuro
Government funding:	24 Meuro
patent portfolio:	78 (34 granted, others pending)
External publications:	617 (90 peer reviewed)
ISO 9001 & 14001 certified	

ECN programme units



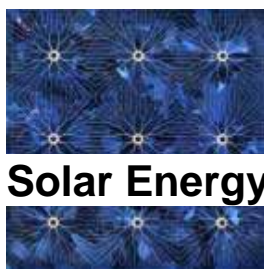
Hydrogen & Clean Fossil Fuels



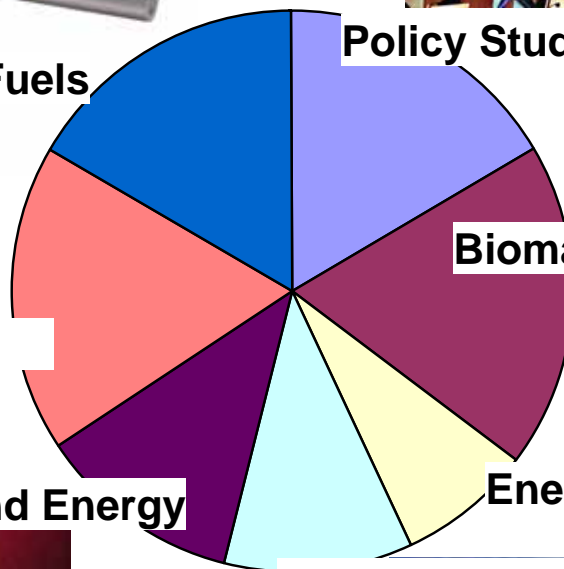
Policy Studies



Biomass, Coal & Environmental Studies



Solar Energy



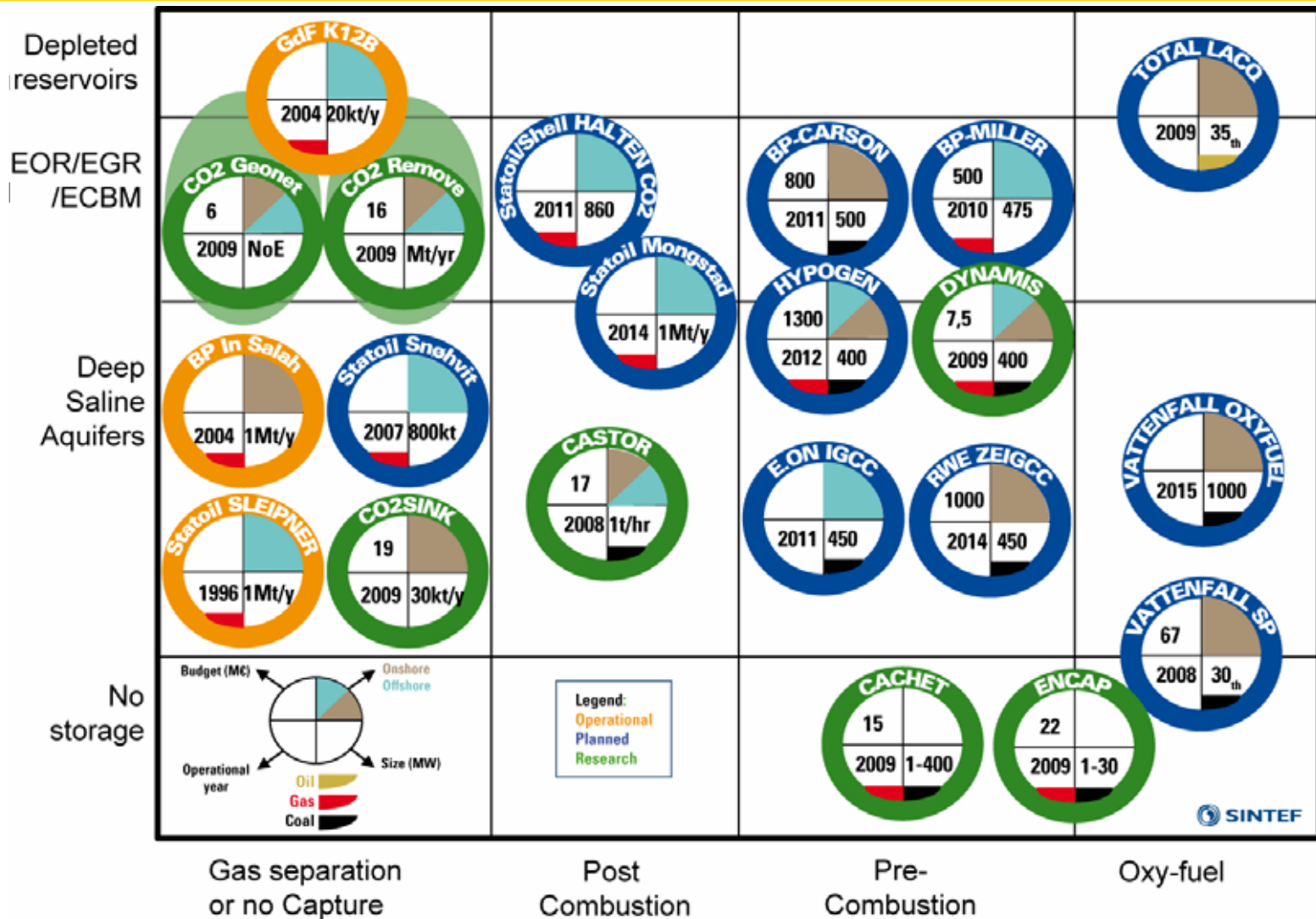
Energy Efficiency in Industry



Wind Energy

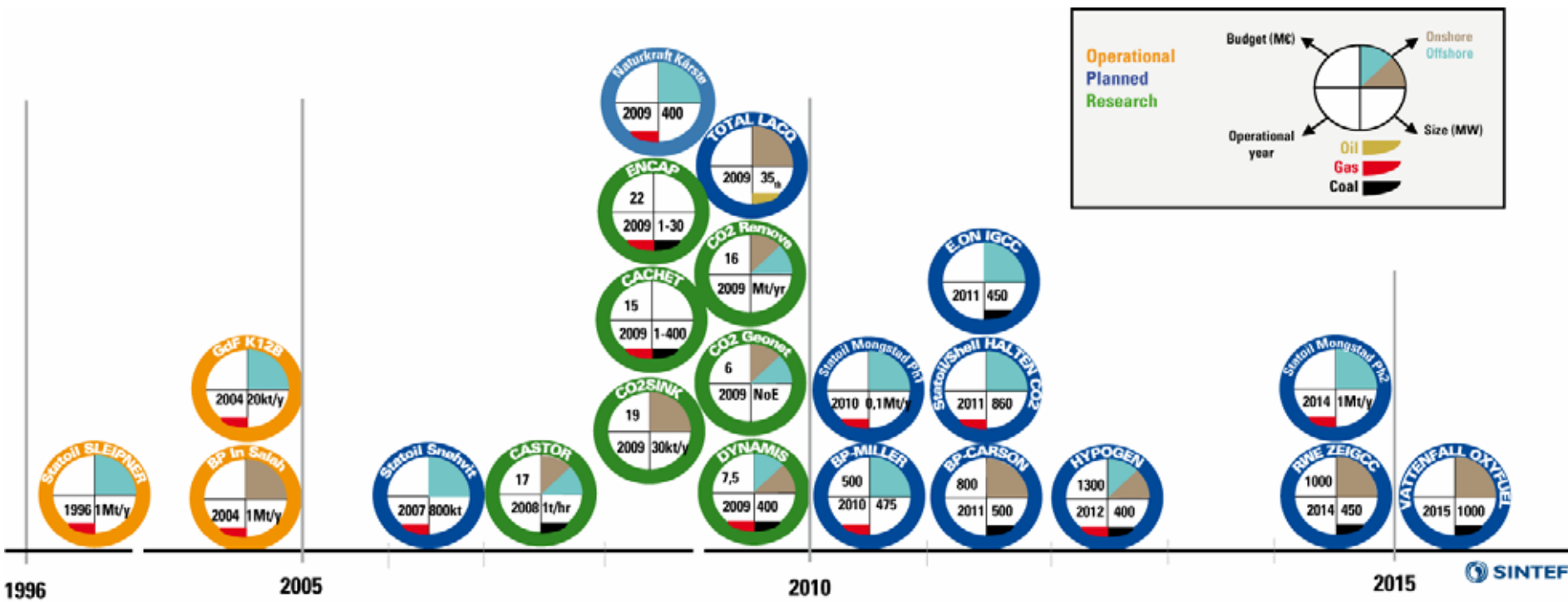
Energy In the Built Environment





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Timing



European Capture Projects

CASTOR: *CO₂, from Capture to Storage*

- Post combustion capture technology development
- CO₂ geological storage

ENCAP: *Enhanced capture of CO₂*

- Research and development on pre-combustion CO₂ capture mainly for hard coal and lignite
- Oxy fuel also seen as pre combustion CO₂ capture

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- Pre combustion capture technologies for gaseous fuels (natural gas)

Reduce cost of CO₂ capture to EU target of 20 to 30 €/tonne at 90% capture rate



Post-combustion capture

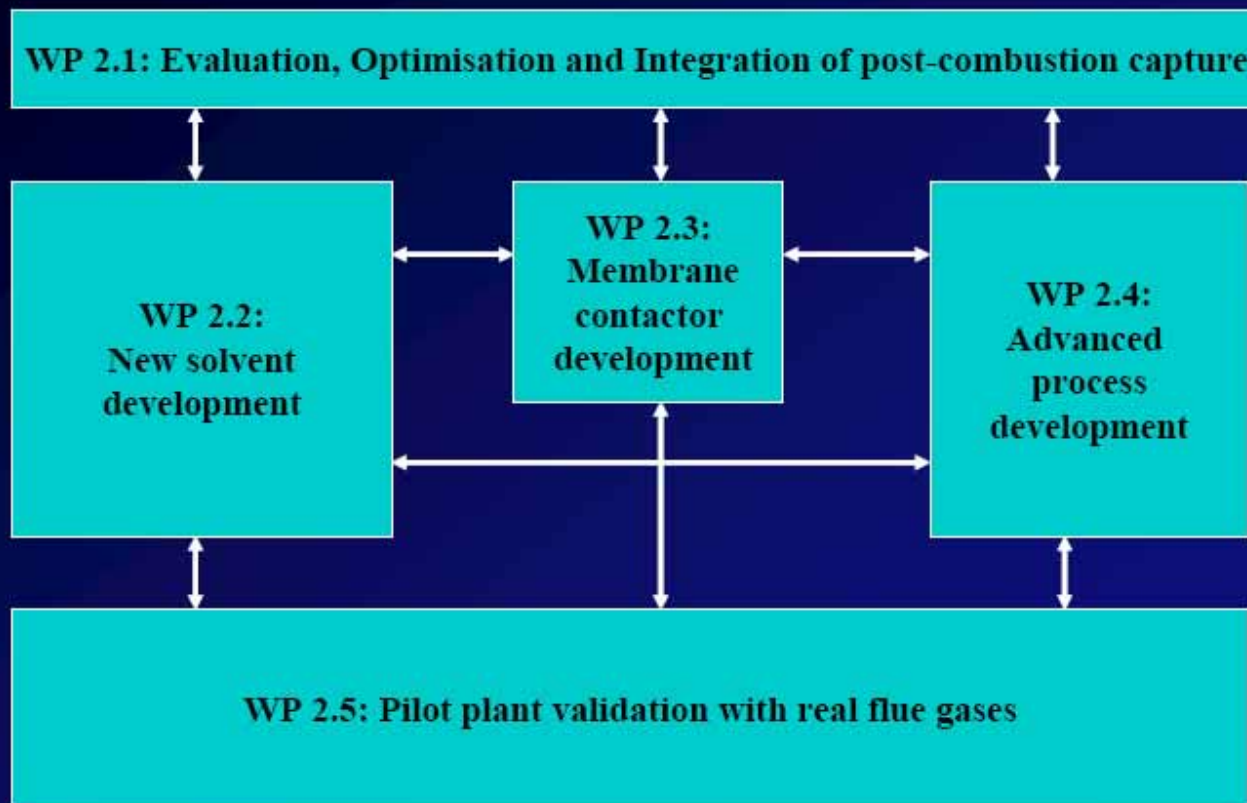


■ Objectives

- Development of absorption liquids, with a thermal energy consumption of 2.0 GJ/tonne CO₂ at 90% recovery rates
- Resulting costs per tonne CO₂ avoided not higher than 20 to 30 €/tonne CO₂, depending on the type of fuel (natural gas, coal, lignite)
- Pilot plant tests showing the reliability and efficiency of the post-combustion capture process



Post-combustion capture





Post-combustion capture

	Current costs contribution	Cost contribution by advanced process	Effected by
Investment costs			
Absorber	25 %	10 – 15%	Compact contactor Simplified cost-optimised contactors Membrane contactors
Rest of equipment (desorber, heat exchangers)	25 %	10 – 15 %	Halving of solvent flow rate Optimised operational conditions for advanced solvents
<i>Total investment</i>	<i>50 %</i>	<i>20 – 30 %</i>	
Operational costs			
Thermal energy	25%	10 – 15 %	Halving of energy consumption through use of advanced solvents (novel chemicals, additives with low vaporisation enthalpy) Integration of heat exchanger in desorber
Rest (cooling, electricity, chemicals)	25%	10 – 15 %	Halving of solvent flow rate Optimised operational conditions for advanced process technologies and solvents Solvent stability improvements
<i>Total operation</i>	<i>50 %</i>	<i>20 – 30 %</i>	
Total costs	100%	40 – 60 %	



European post-combustion test facility: the CASTOR pilot plant



Esbjergværket



Capacity: 1 t CO₂ / h

5000 Nm³/h fluegas
(coal combustion)

In operation since early 2006

*The greatest post-combustion
pilot worldwide*



CASTOR pilot plant (3)



January - March 2006: MEA-testing for 1000 hrs
 September - November 2006: 2nd MEA-testing for 1000 hrs
 December 06 – May 2007: CASTOR1-testing 5000 hrs
 January - November 2007: CASTOR2-testing 5000 hrs

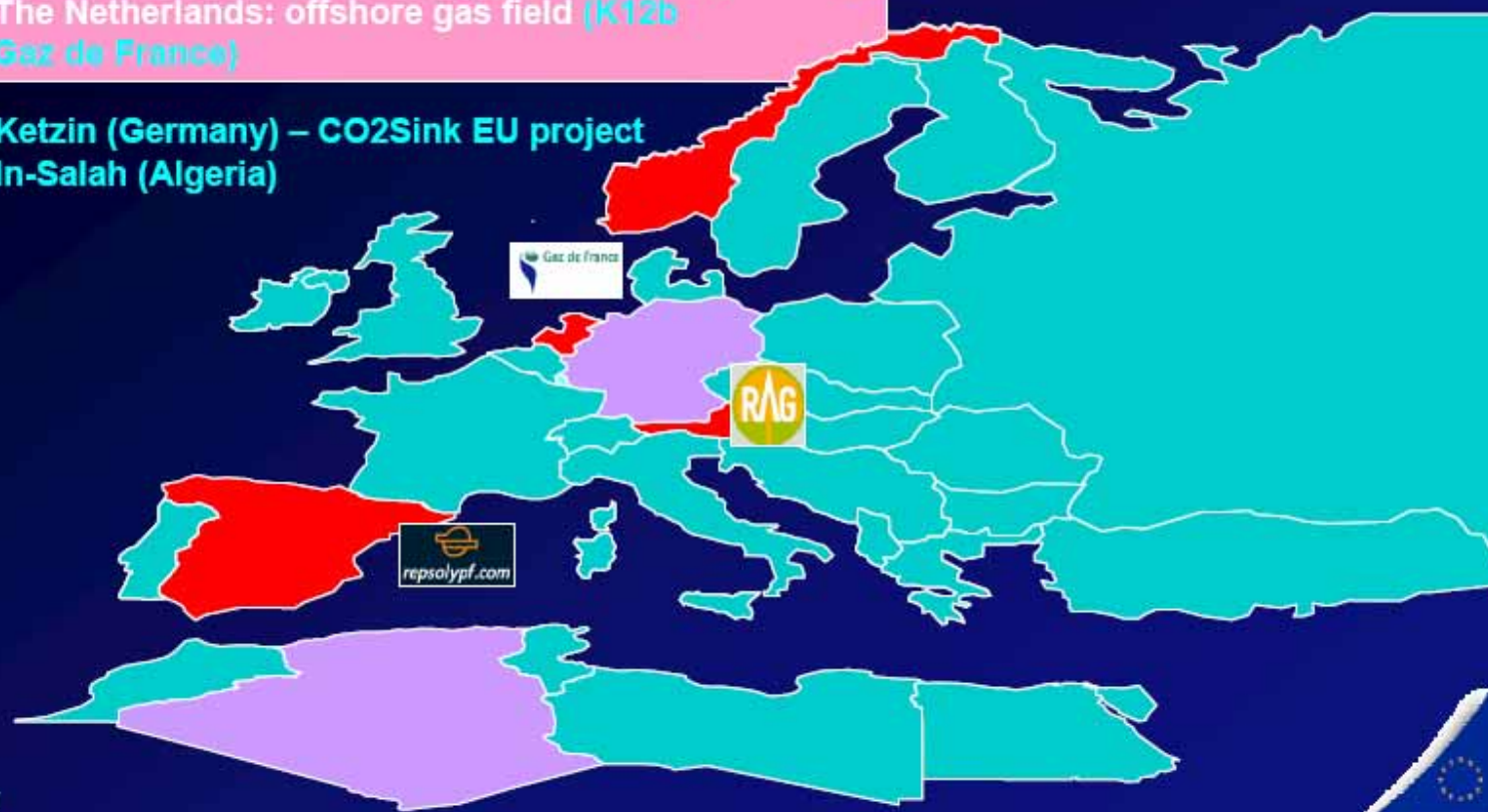


CASTOR CO₂ storage initiatives

- Spain: offshore oil reservoir (Casablanca, REPSOL)
- Norway: offshore aquifer (Snøhvit)
- Austria: offshore gas field (Atzbach, Rohoef)
- The Netherlands: offshore gas field (K12b Gaz de France)



Ketzin (Germany) – CO₂Sink EU project
In-Salah (Algeria)



European Capture Projects:

ENCAP

Objective:

- ENCAP aims at technologies that meet the target of at least 90% CO₂-capture-rate and 50% CO₂-capture-cost reduction.
- Pre combustion decarbonisation
 - IGCC for hard coal and lignite
 - IRCC for natural gas
- CO₂/O₂ combustion technologies (oxy fuel)
 - PC for hard coal and lignite
 - CFB for hard coal, lignite and pet-coke
- Chemical looping

European Capture Projects:

ENCAP

ENCAP activities

- ENCAP SP2: Development of power plants with pre-combustion decarbonisation (for bituminous coal, lignite and natural gas)
 - Process outline
 - Optimised gas processing
 - H₂-rich combustion in gas turbines (Siemens, Alstom)
 - Integration of cryogenic oxygen production, CO₂ capture, gas and steam turbines into functioning power plants
- ENCAP SP5: High-temperature oxygen generation
- ENCAP SP6: Novel concepts
- SP5 and SP6 investigate pieces that can be inserted in the SP2 plant beyond year 2020

European Capture Projects:

ENCAP

ENCAP activities on oxyfuel combustion

- Coal Boiler technologies
 - Oxyfuel combustion for bituminous coal and lignite plant
 - PF and CFB combustion technology
 - Integration and optimisation in combination with economic evaluation
 - Operational characteristics, risk analysis
- Natural gas combined cycle technologies
 - Novel process concept for increased efficiency

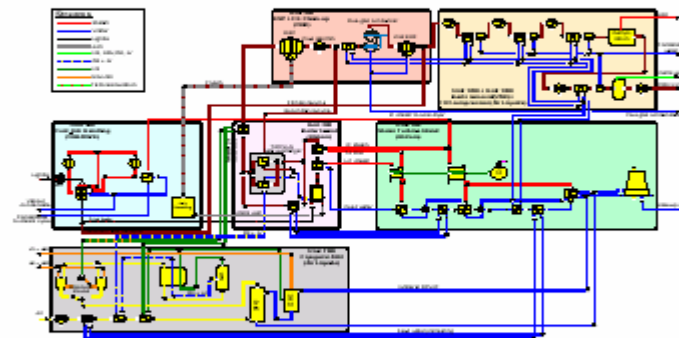


FIGURE 3.1: High Level Conceptual PFD, 1000 MWe Lignite Fired Oxy-Combustion Power Plant

European Capture Projects:

ENCAP

Air separation: Development within the ENCAP project

- High temperature oxygen separation with ceramic materials
 - oxygen transfer membranes
 - high temperature oxygen adsorbent (CAR)

- Development of materials, cost, integration into power plant

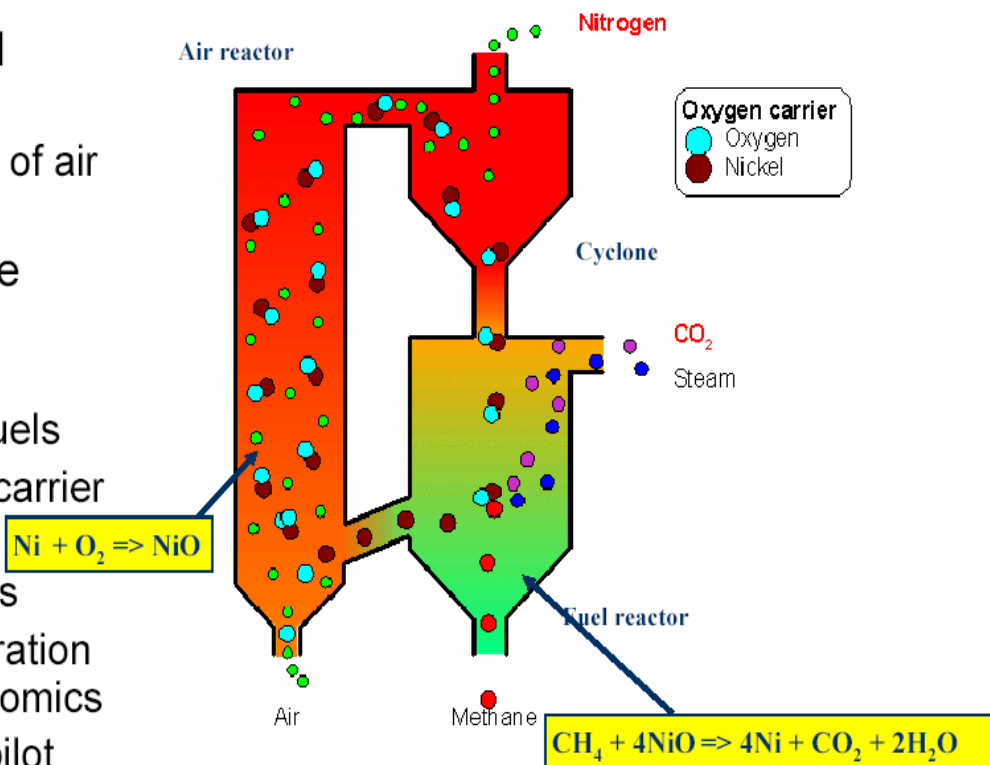


European Capture Projects:

ENCAP

New Developments – Chemical Looping Combustion

- Combustion with a solid "oxygen carrier"
 - avoids energy penalty of air separation
- Developments within the ENCAP project
 - Chemical looping combustion for solid fuels
 - Evaluation of oxygen carrier materials
 - Novel reactor concepts
 - Process design, integration optimisation and economics
 - Phase 2 decision on pilot testing



Courtesy Jens Wolf, Vattenfall Utveckling AB

European Capture Projects:

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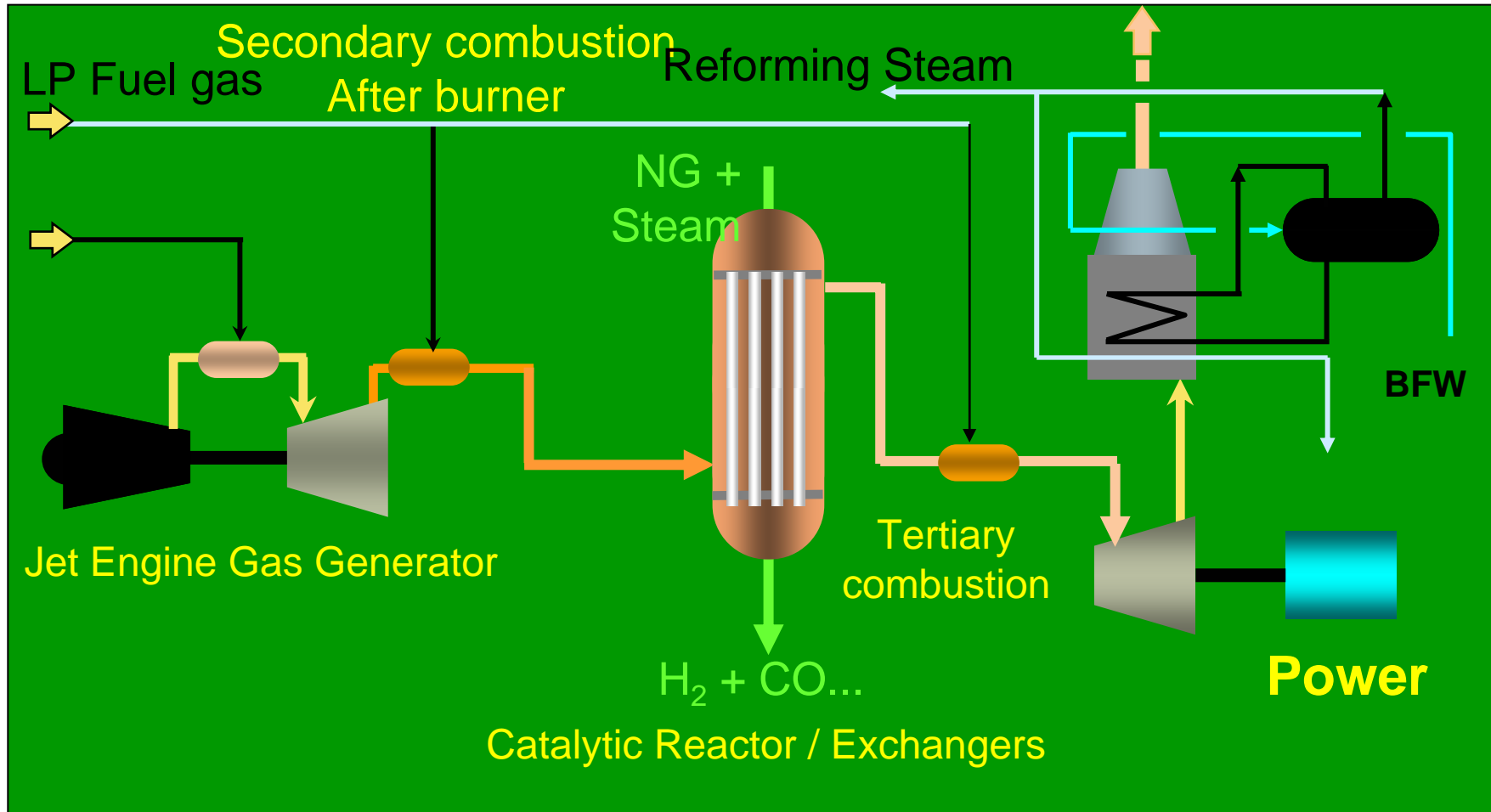
Objective:

- Develop technology to reduce cost of CO₂ capture to EU target of 20 to 30 €/tonne at 90% capture rate
 - Industrial application to natural gas fired 400 MWe CCGT with (H₂ side-stream)
 - 4 main technology areas:
 - Advanced SMR
 - Chemical looping and One-step
 - Membranes
 - SEWGS
- Novel technology evaluation, HSE and dissemination
- 3 year project duration, commencing 1st April 2006

15 M euro, 50 % from EU, 20% from CCP

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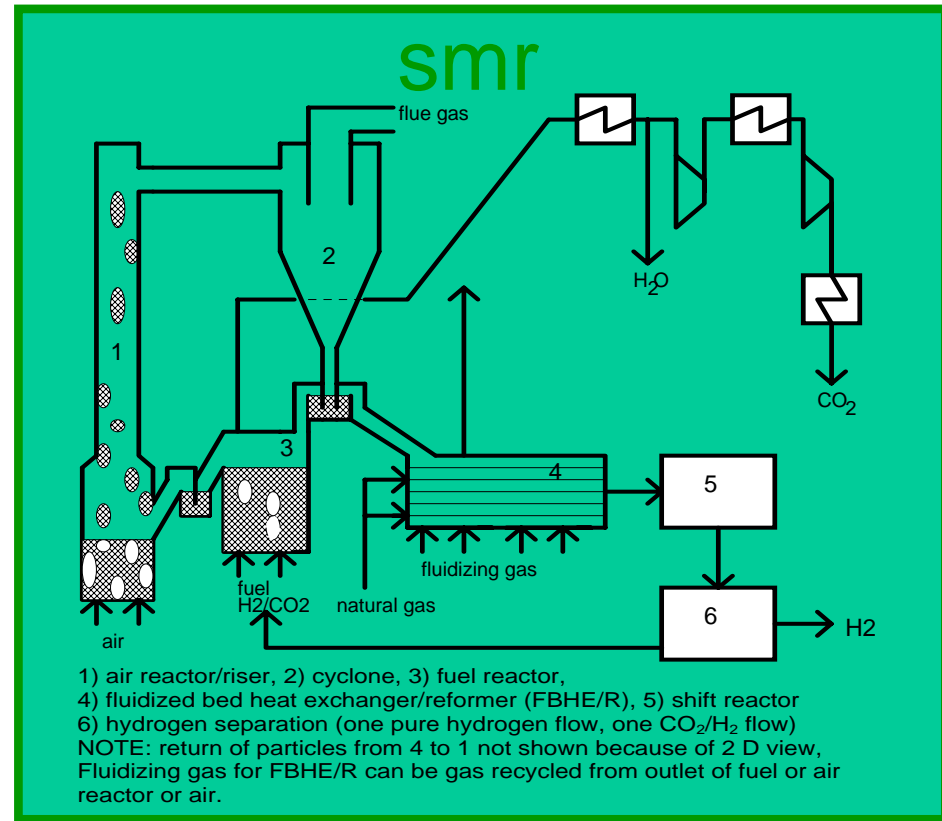
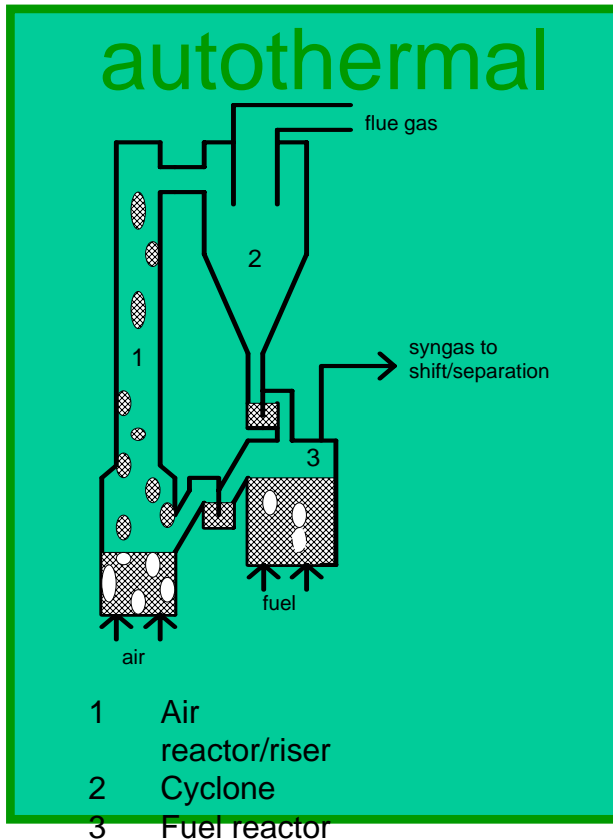
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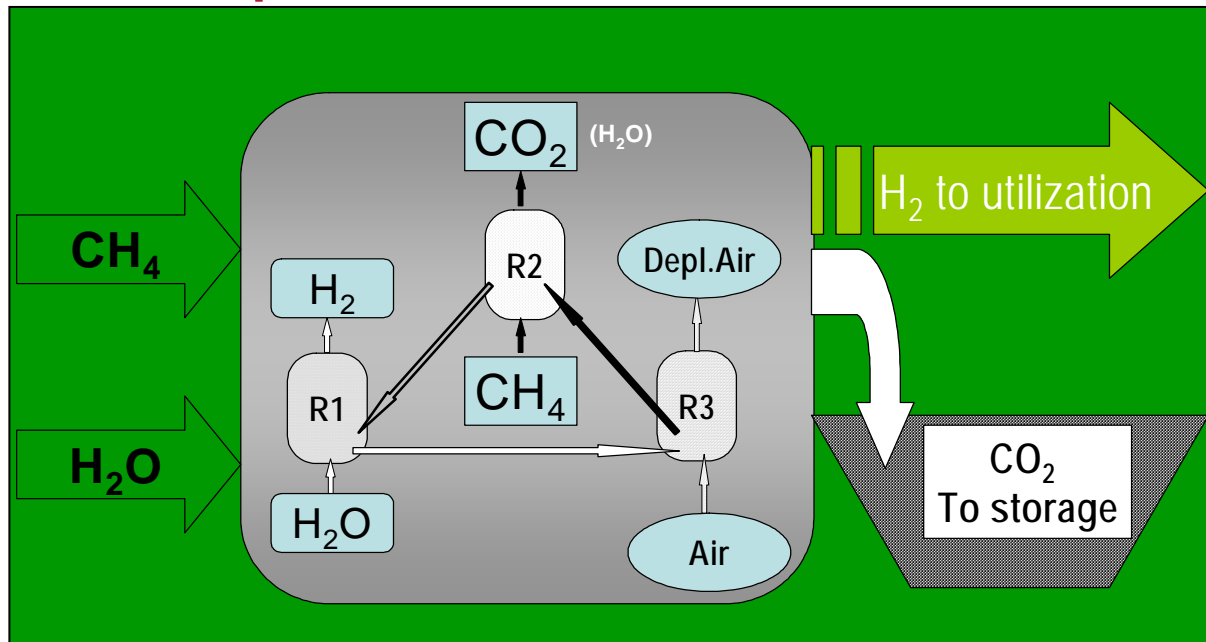
chemical looping reforming



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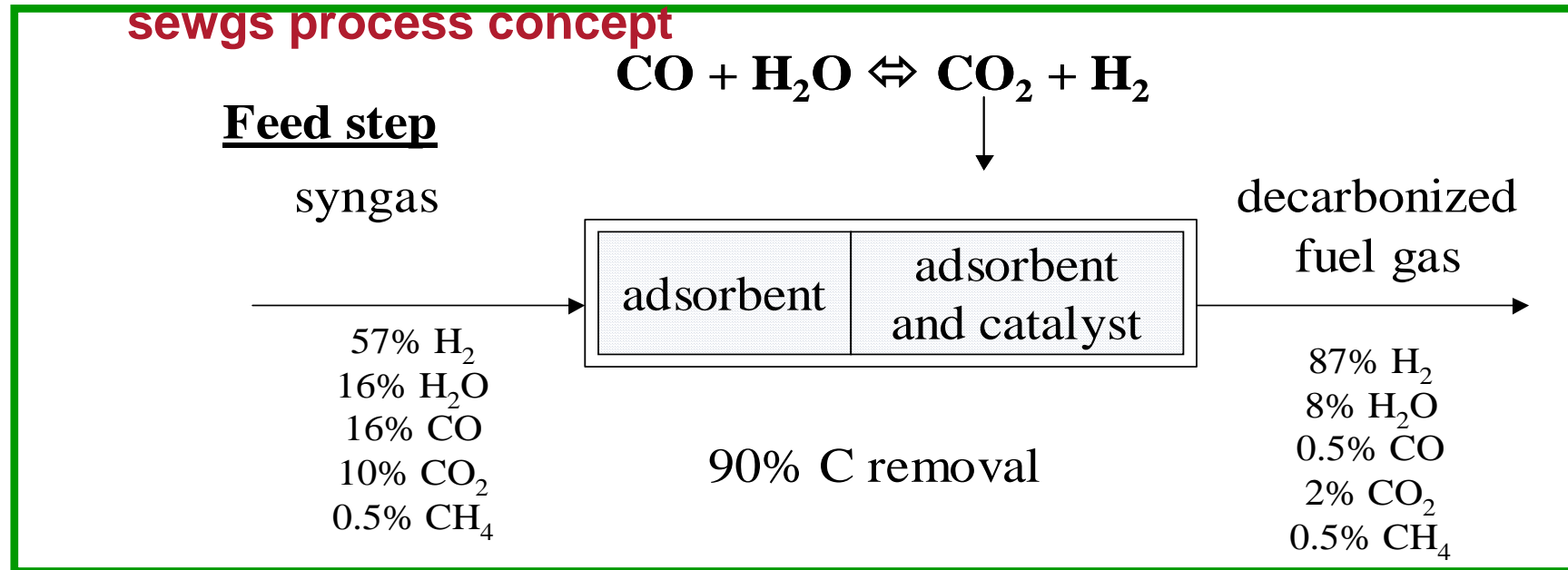
One-step decarbonisation



Circulating "redox" solid material that can be oxidized via water splitting thereby producing H_2 , and reduced by a carbon-containing stream, typically hydrocarbons, producing CO_2

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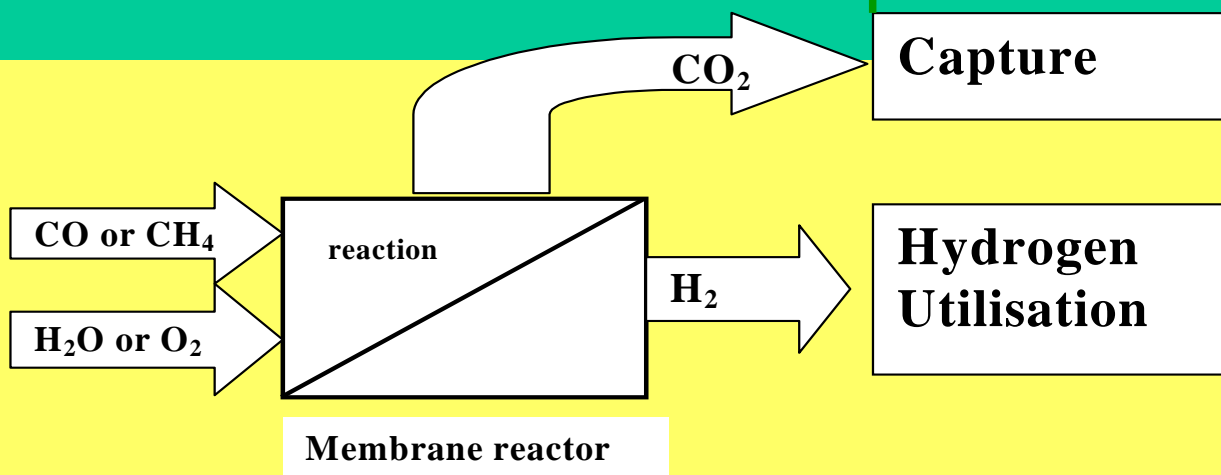


- Water gas shift catalyst + high temperature CO₂ adsorbent
- Removes CO₂ from hot syngas (400-500°C), drives CO towards extinction
- Multiple beds undergo cyclic process steps (reaction/adsorption and regeneration)

European Capture Projects:

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combined reaction and separation

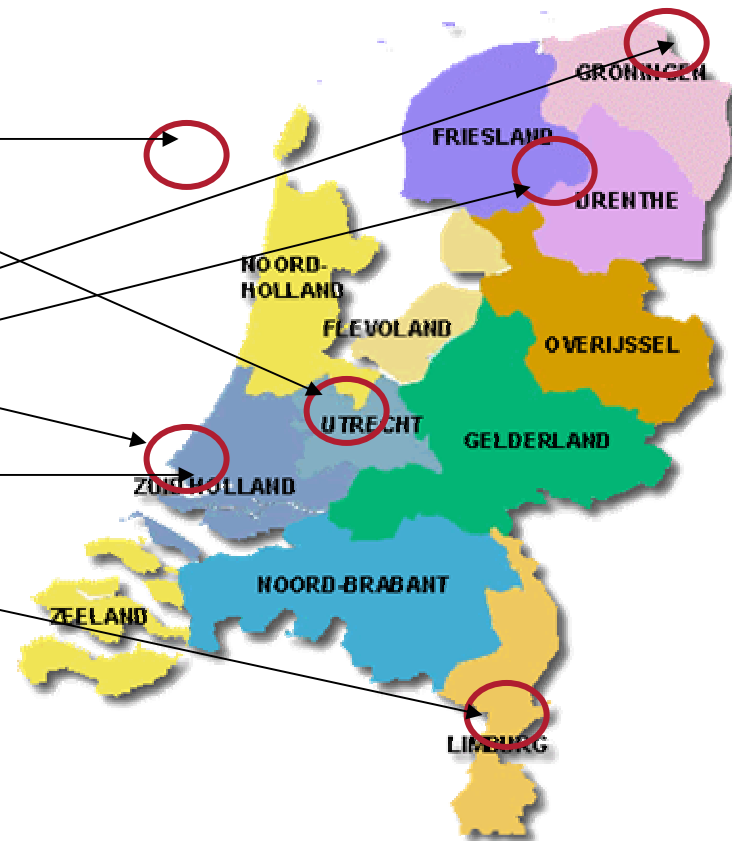


Operating temperature	Type of reaction	Active membrane
300-400°C	Water gas shift	Metal membrane
400-600°C	Low temperature reforming of methane	Metal membrane

thin palladium supported membranes

CCS projects in The Netherlands

- CATO project
- CRUST of-shore storage project GdF
- OCAP re-use project
- New initiatives



CCS projects in The Netherlands

Unique Dutch knowledge network in the area of CO₂ capture, transport and storage

- Partners: 17
- Budget: 25.6 million € (50% govt. support)
- In line with Dutch government policy: Ministries EZ (Economic Affairs) and VROM (Environment)
- Embedded in international networks (**CO2NET, IEA, CSLF**)
- Over 15 PhD students
- Period: 2004-2009
- Manager: UCE (within Utrecht University)

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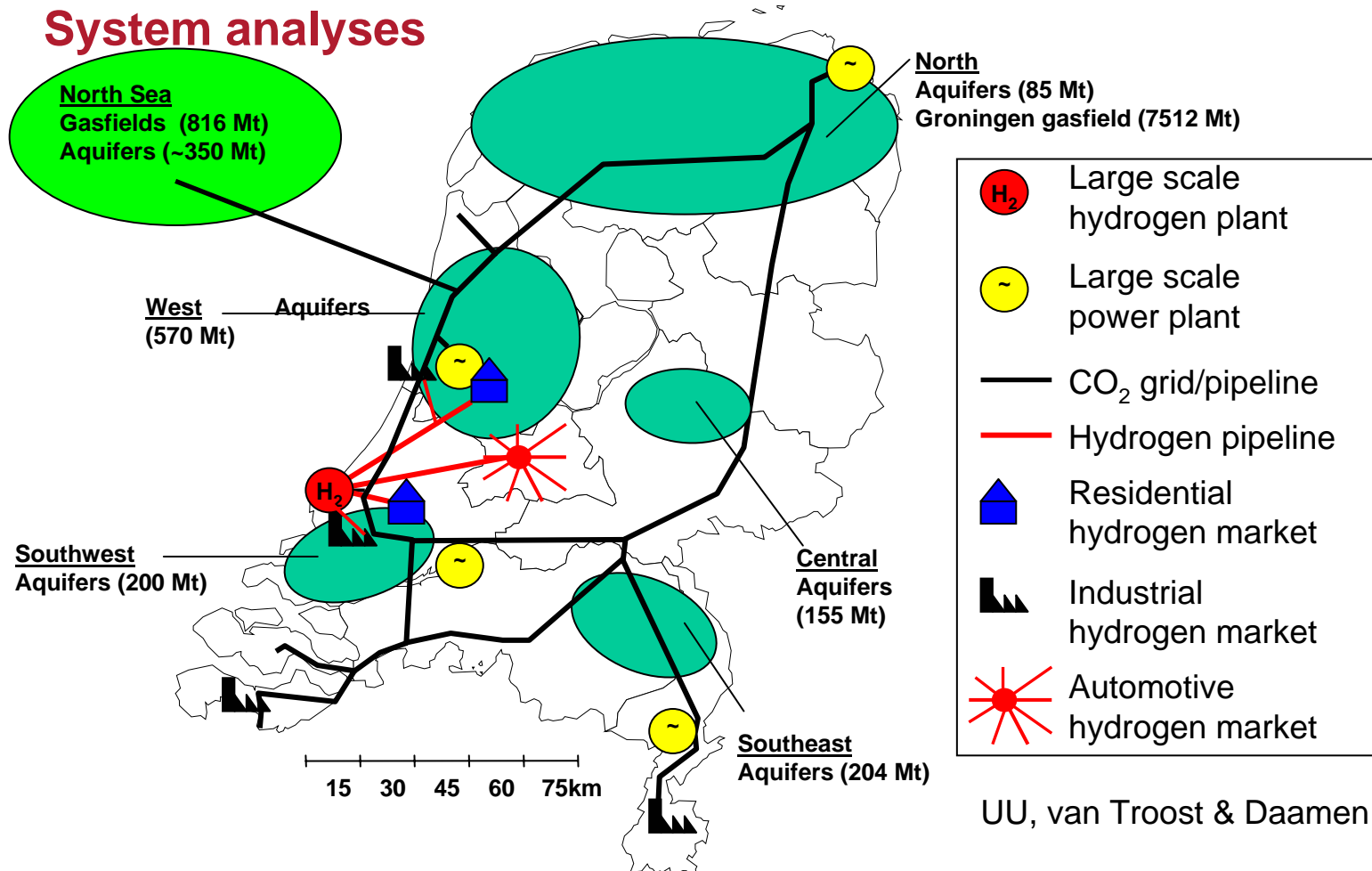
CATO

WP	Subject	WP Leaders
1	System analysis & Transition	UU-Copernicus Ecofys and ECN
2	Capture of CO ₂ 2.1 Post-combustion 2.2 Pre-combustion 2.3 Denitrogenated conversion	TNO S&I ECN TNO S&I
3	Storage of CO ₂ 3.1 Storage gas fields 3.2 Storage coal fields (ECBM)	TNO-NITG Shell (SIEP)
4	Mineralisation 4.1 Subsurface mineralisation 4.2 Surface mineralisation	Shell (SIEP) ECN TNO S&I
5	Monitoring, safety and regulations	TNO-NITG
6	Communication	Leiden University
7	Management and knowledge transfer	UU-UCE

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System analyses



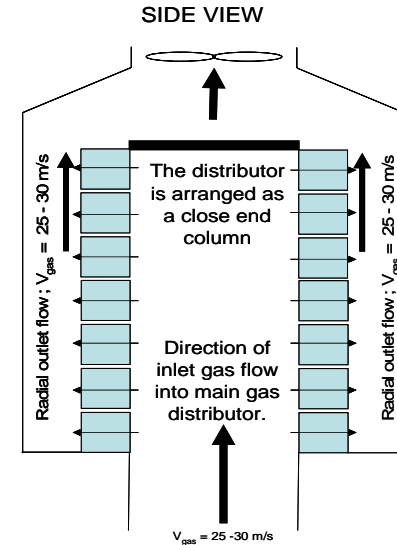
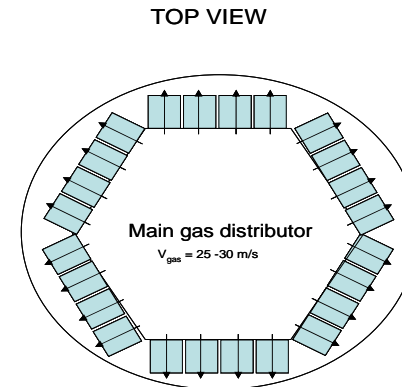
UU, van Troost & Daamen


CCS projects in The Netherlands

Post combustion capture

- CO₂ capture with solvent and membrane contactors
- CATO pilot plant in E.on PC boiler Maasvlakte in the Rotterdam area
- 50% capture cost reduction
- Design for membrane absorber which is 4 times compactor the conventional absorbent

CATO



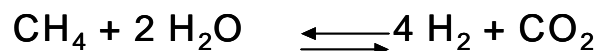
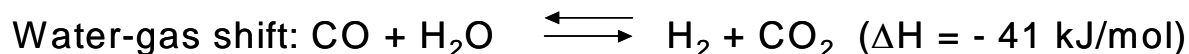
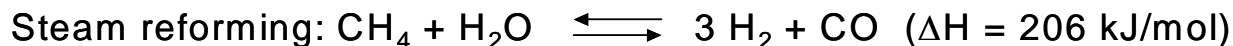
 = Membrane module gas channel
 $V_{gas} = 2 \text{ m/s}$



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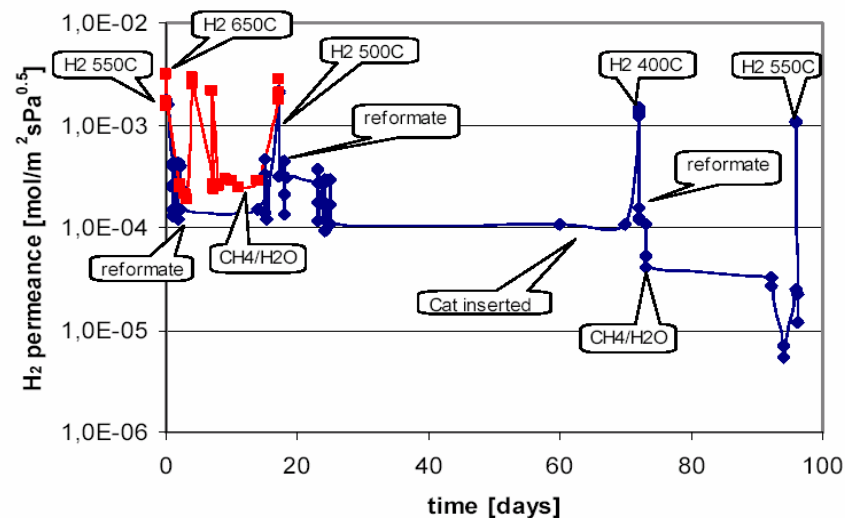
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Pre combustion capture; Pd alloy membrane reactor



Shifting the equilibrium to the product side

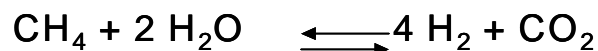
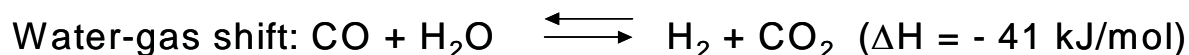
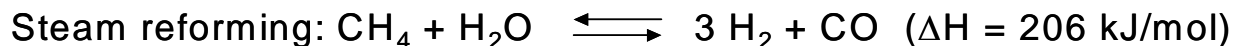
- System analyse
- Membrane development
- Membrane reactor design
- Catalyst screening
- PDU tests



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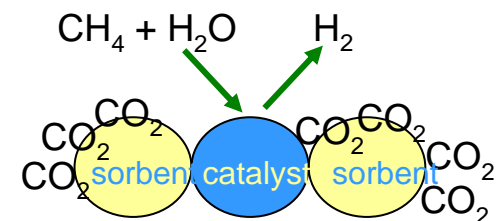
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Pre combustion capture; Sorption Enhanced Reaction Process



Shifting the equilibrium to the product side

- Hydrotalcite materials suitable for SE water gas shift reaction, not for SE reforming
- Hydrotalcites not stable > 450 °C
- Temperatures between 550 en 750 °C are needed for steam reforming
- New HT sorbents under development



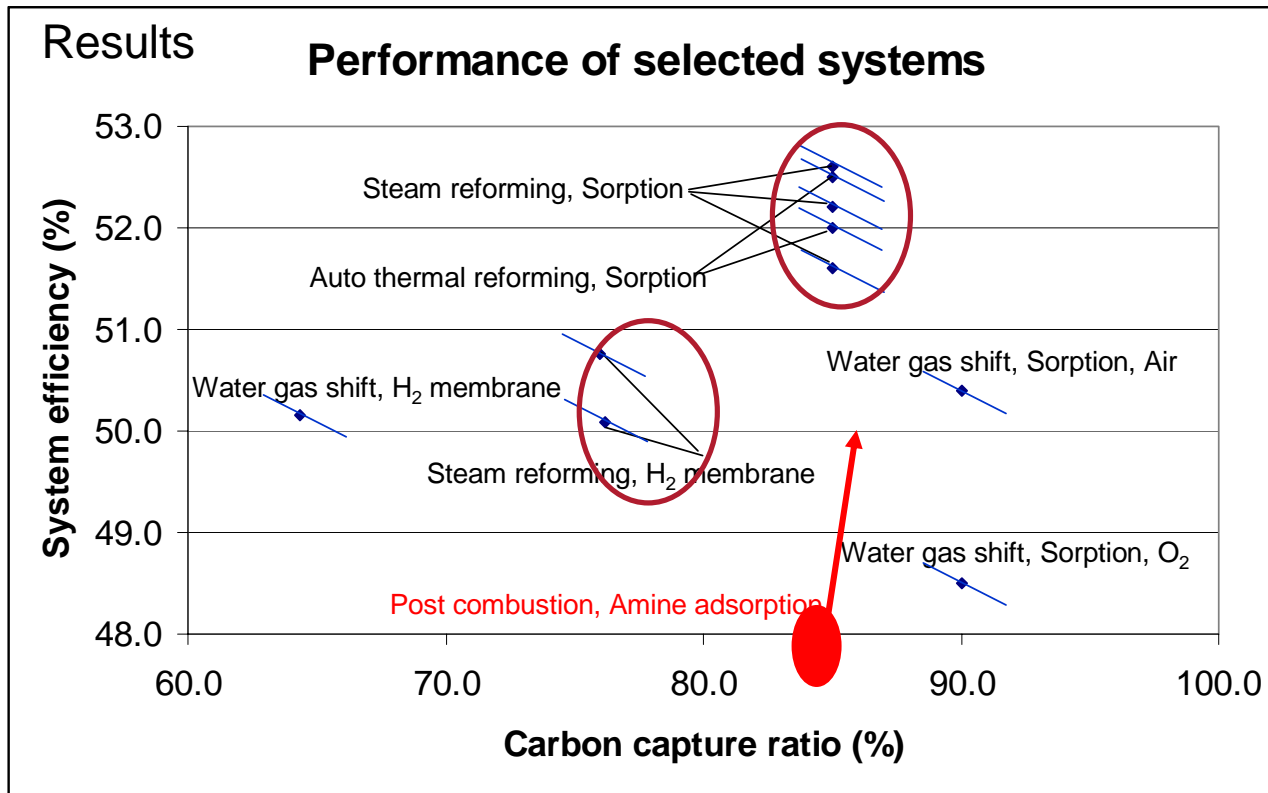
Sorption-enhanced Reforming



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System evaluations : Pre combustion capture technologies

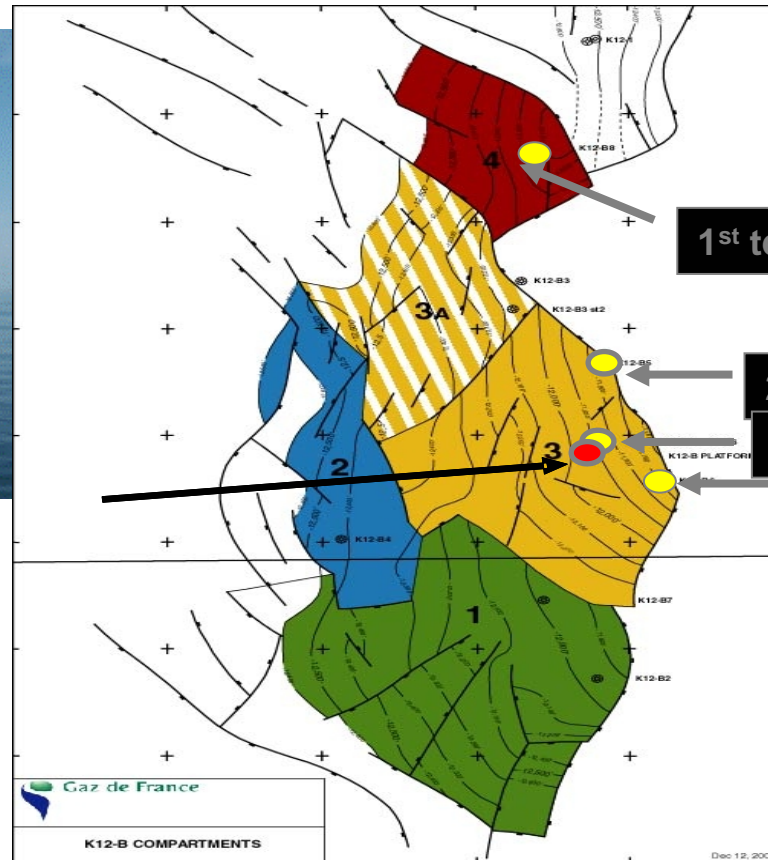


Reference power plant without CO₂ capture: 57.1% efficiency

CCS projects in The Netherlands

CRUST

The K-12B gas field



1st test: K12-B8 - Injector

2nd test: K12-B5 - Producer

2nd test: K12-B1 - Producer

2nd test: K12-B6 - Injector

courtesy GdF Netherlands

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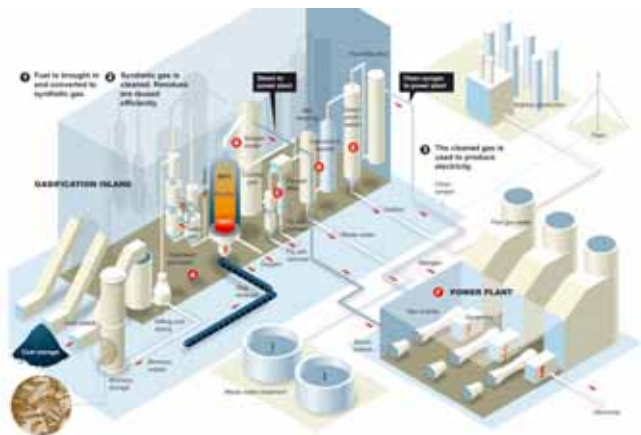
OCAP

Industrial CO₂ re-use in greenhouses



- CO₂ from Shell Pernis,
- 170 kton CO₂ reduction

CCS Initiatives in The Netherlands



Nuon MAGNUM capture ready IGCC



SEQ oxy fuel ZEPP in Drachten



Nuon WAC Pre-combustion demo



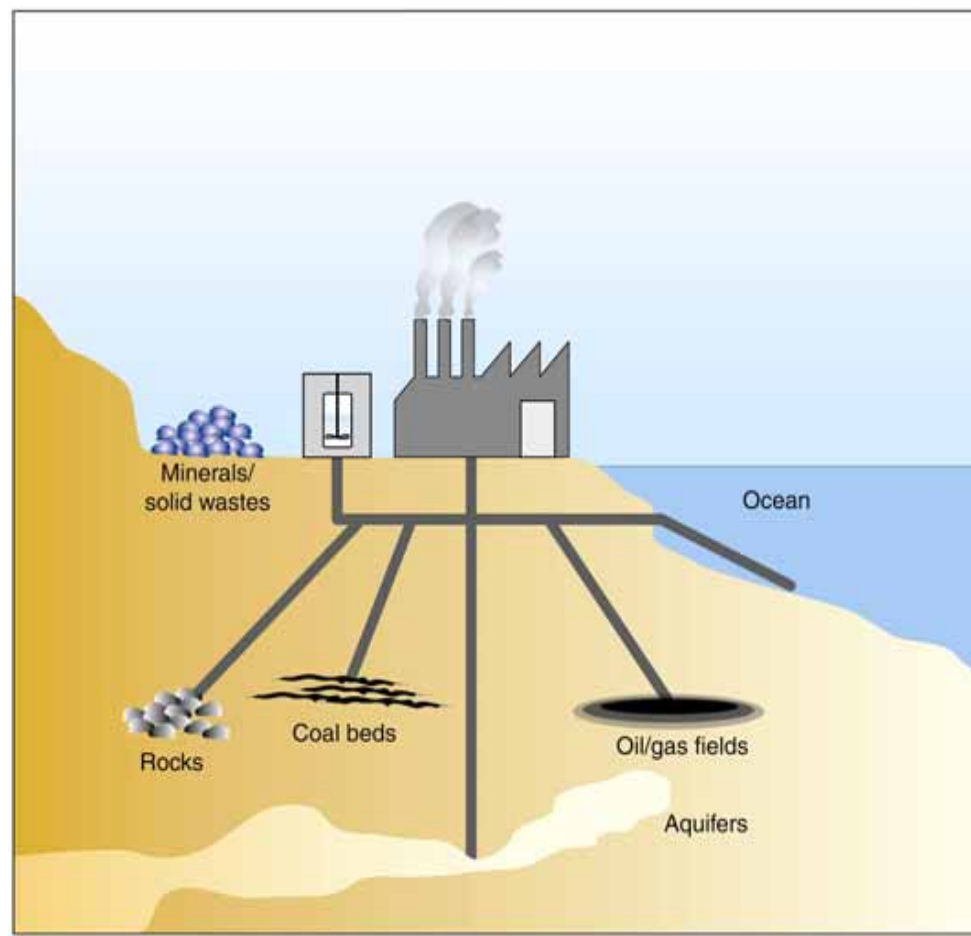
Figure 2 Map showing pipeline routes between Shell Pernis and De Lier gas field

NAM CO₂ storage in de Lier

ECN CCS activities

- Pre-combustion decarbonisation
 - Sorption-enhanced reaction
 - Hydrogen-selective membrane reactors
 - CO₂ selective membrane reactors
- Oxyfuel combustion
 - SOFC + afterburner
 - Oxygen conducting membranes
- CO₂ re-use/storage
 - Mineralisation

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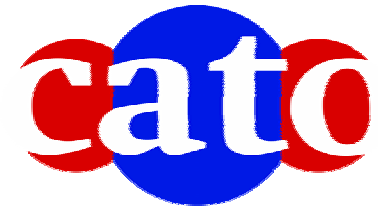


Participation ECN in programs & projects

- **CATO:** Dutch national CO₂ program
 - Co-ordination Utrecht University
 - Running time 2004 – 2009
 - ECN co-ordinates the pre-combustion CO₂ capture work package: hydrogen membranes and CO₂ sorbents

- **CACHET:** EU FP6 Integrated Project
 - Co-ordination BP
 - Running time 2006 until 2009
 - ECN co-ordinates membrane WP and participates in WP on sorption-enhanced Water Gas Shift coordinated by Air Products and is co-financed by CCP.

- **GCEP** (Global Climate and Energy Program)
 - Co-ordination: Stanford University
 - Running time 2005 -2008
 - Sponsors: ExxonMobil, Toyota, Schlumberger, GE
 - ECN carries out the project 'Advanced membrane reactors for hydrogen production' together with TU Delft. Development of a CO₂ separating membrane reactor.



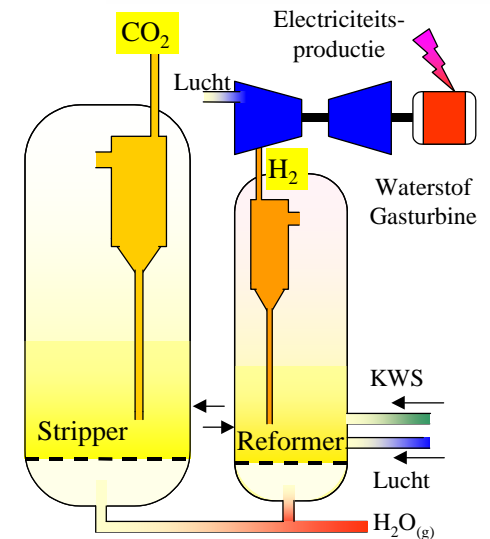
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National EOS projects

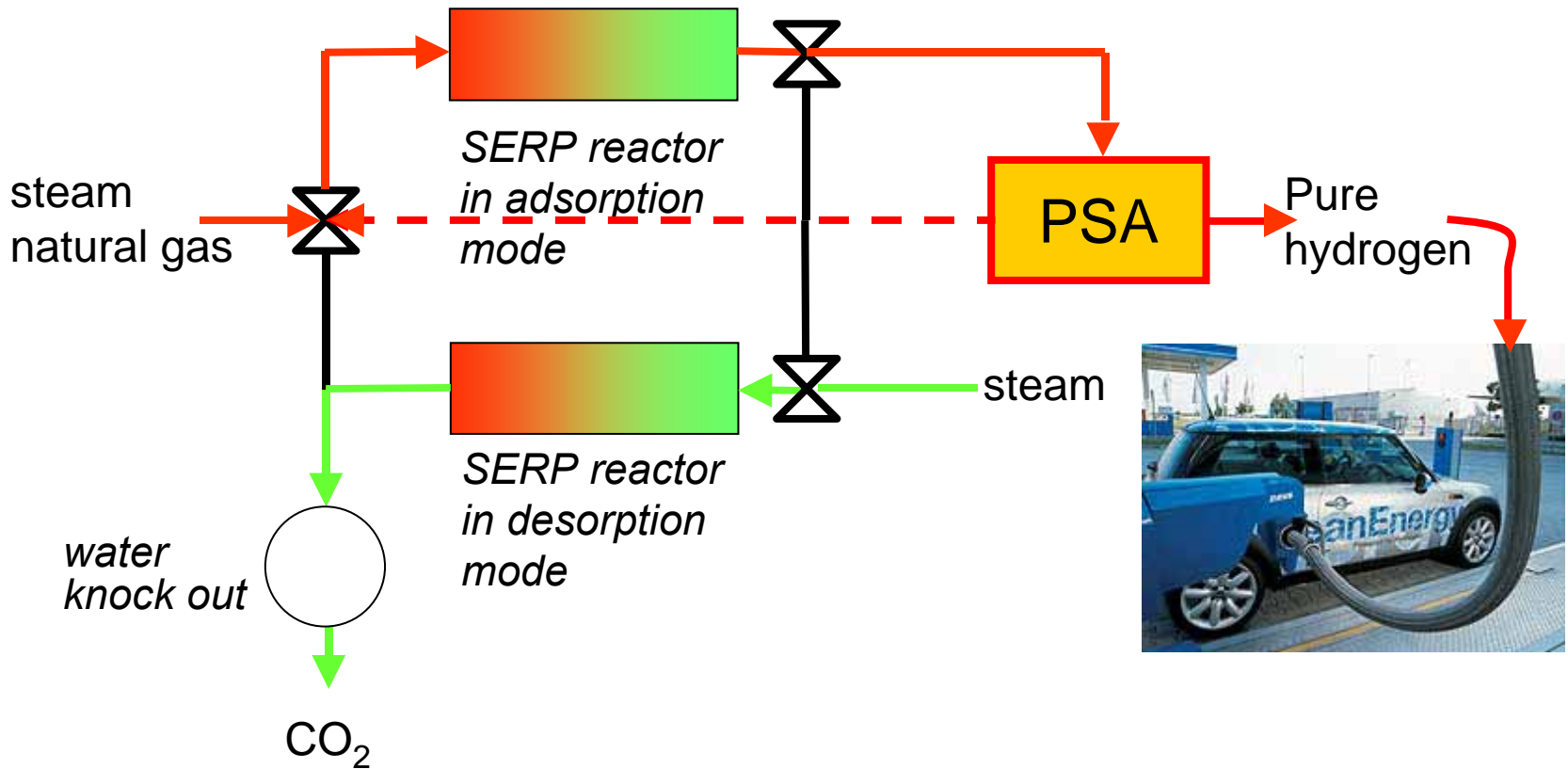
- **C-CLEAR**
 - Continuous SERP for “ZEPP”
 - Co-ordination: ECN
 - running time 2005-2008
- **CATHY**
 - Catalysts for Separation enhanced reformers
 - Co-ordination: ECN
 - running time 2006 –2009
- **CAPTECH:** extension to CATO
 - Capture technologies for IGCC and PC
 - Co-ordination: ECN
 - running time 2006 -2009

EU IP projects

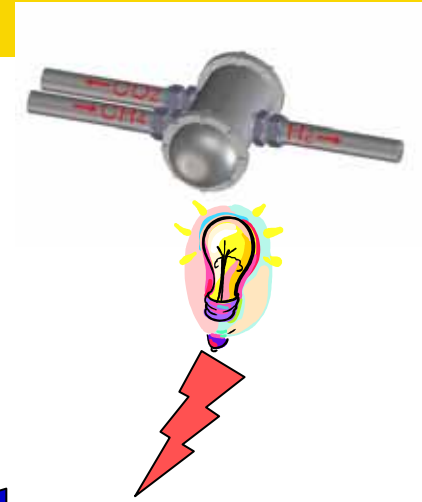
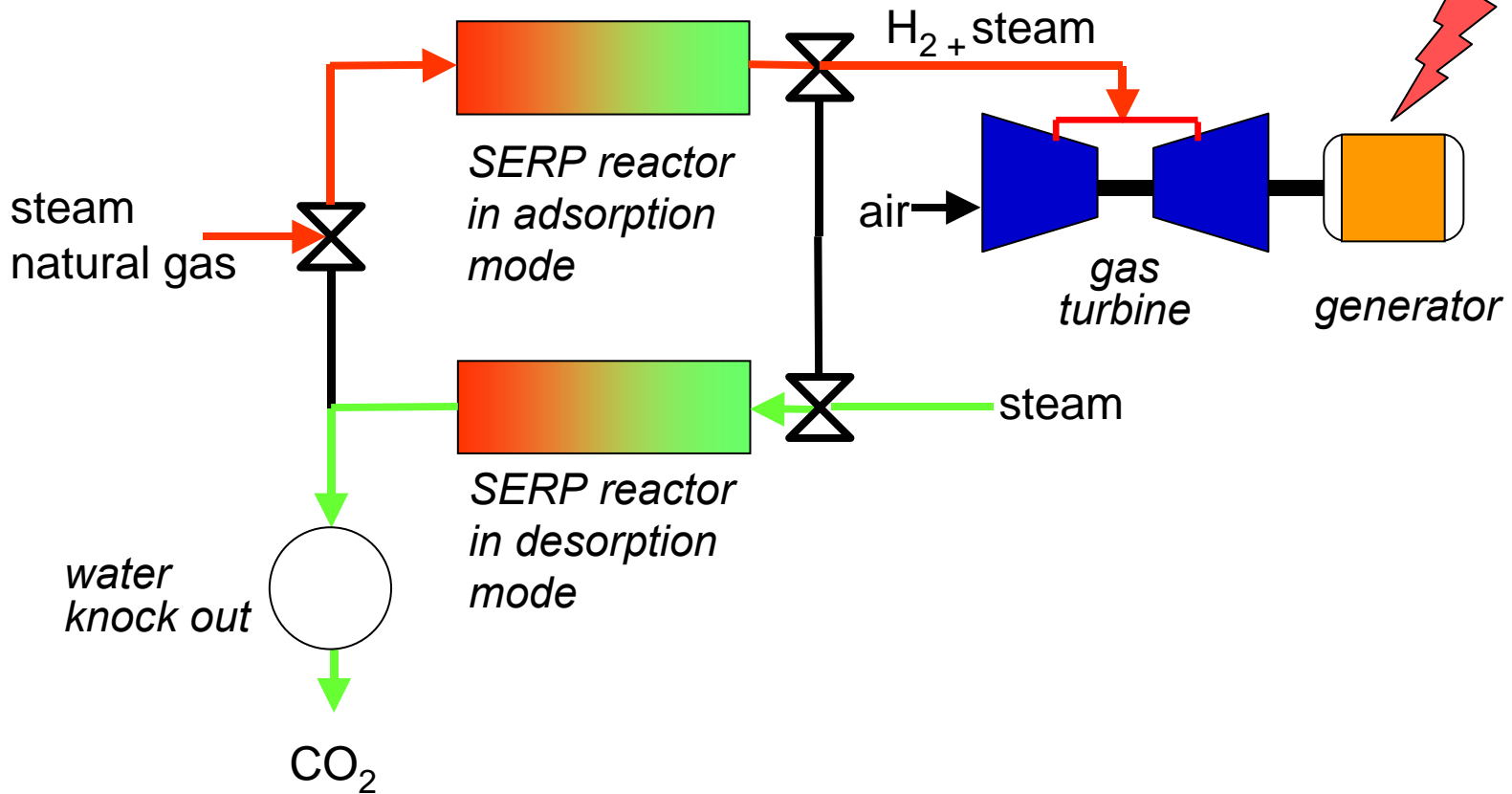
- **CO2ReMOVE** (Policy studies, H₂&CFF)
 - CO₂ monitoring and verification
- **ACCEPT** (Policy studies)
 - Public Acceptance of CO₂ storage, economics, Policy and technology



SERP for hydrogen production with CO₂ capture



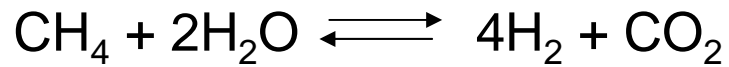
SERP for electricity production with CO₂ capture



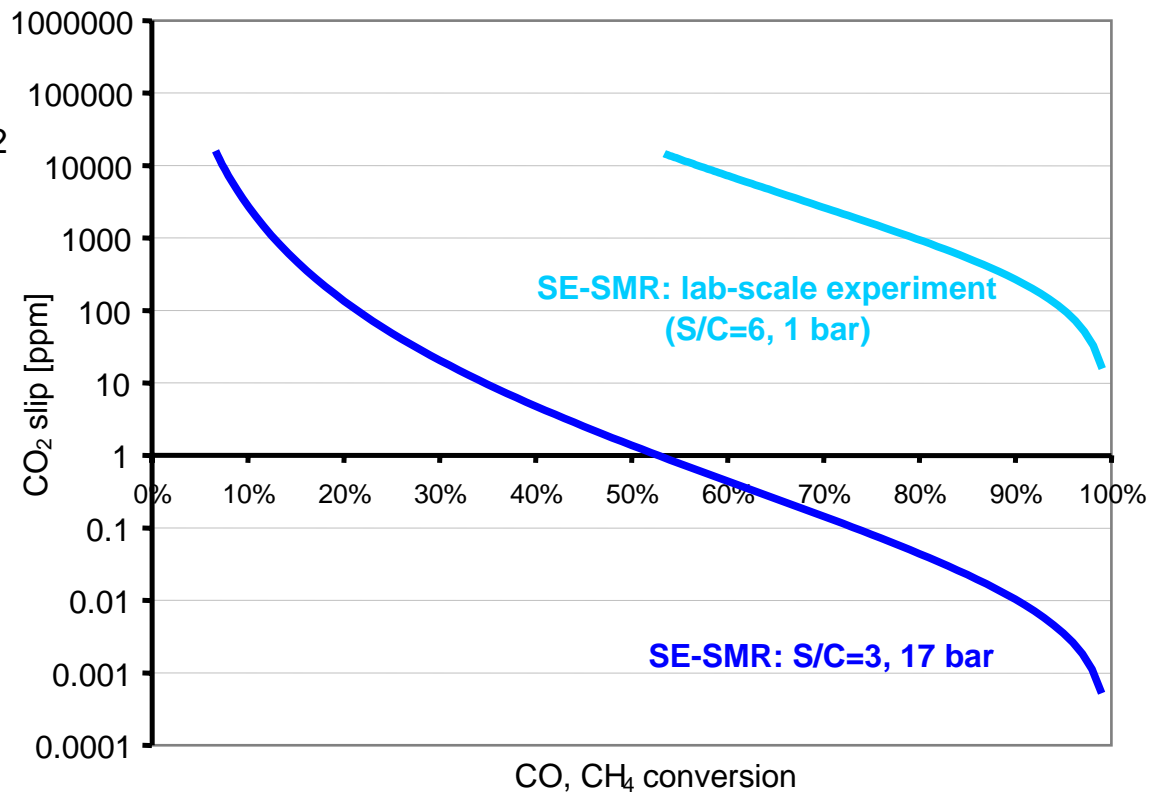


Shifting the equilibrium

Steam reforming



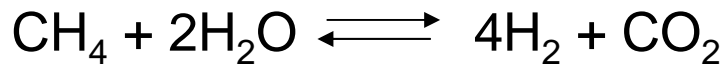
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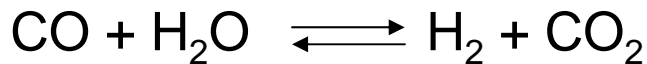
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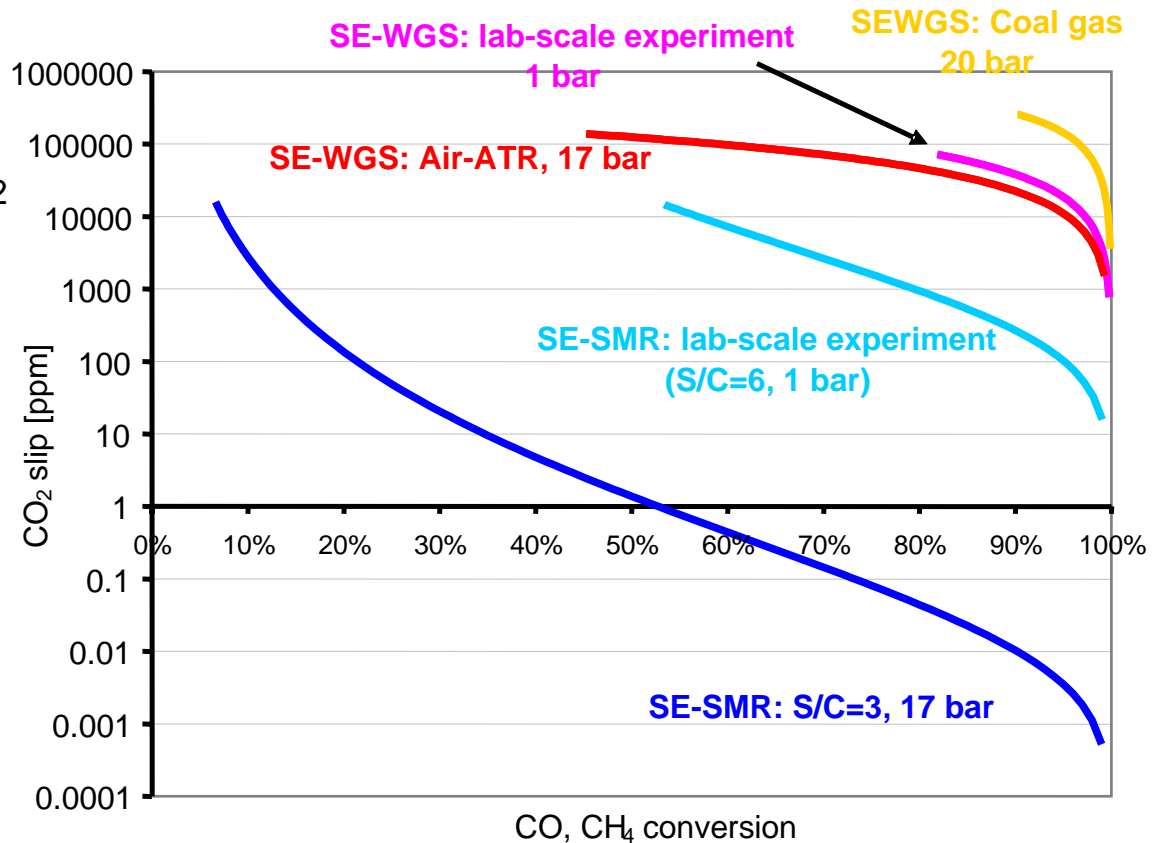


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Water gas shift



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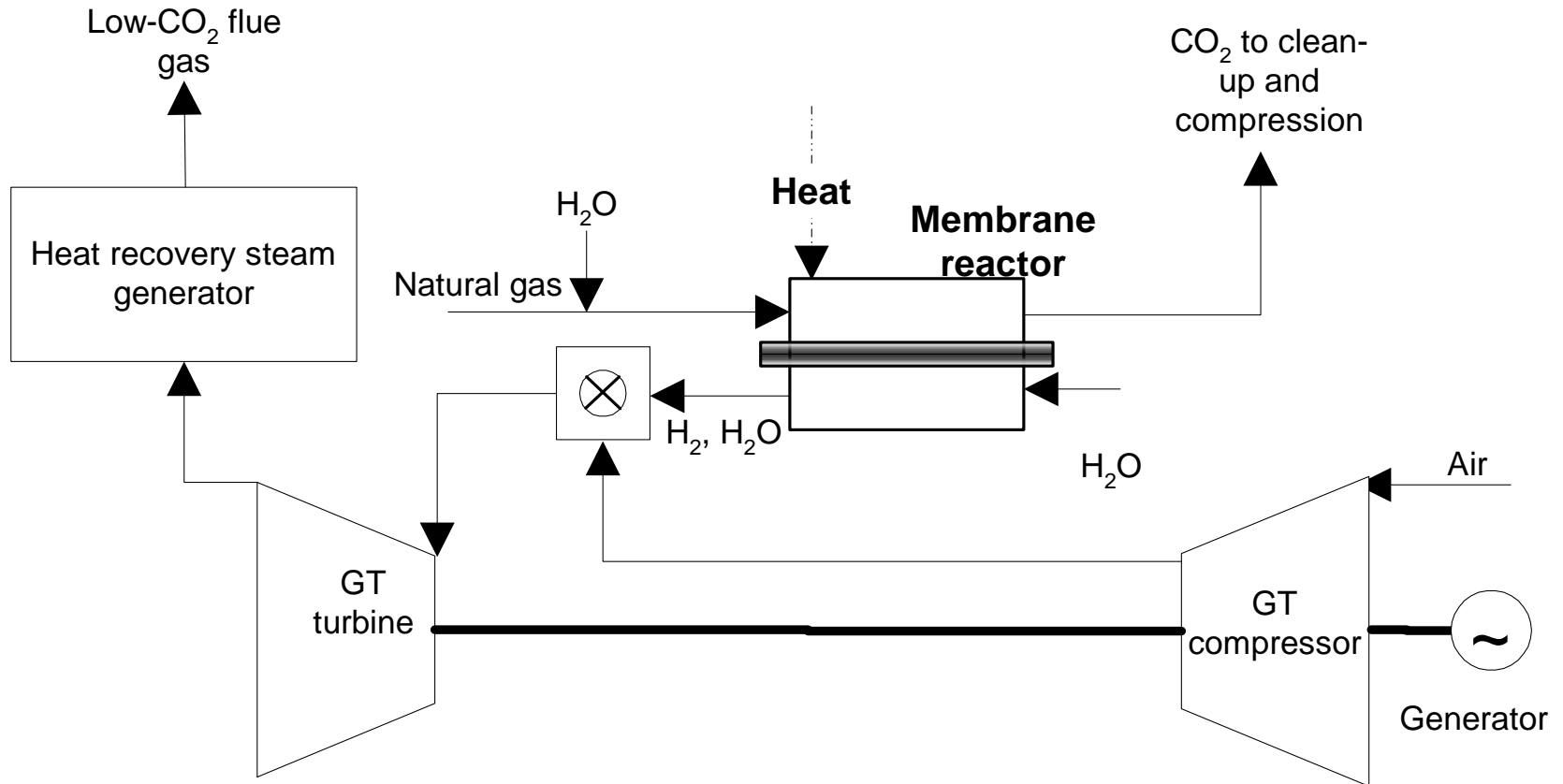




ECN CCS activities

Hydrogen-selective membrane reactors

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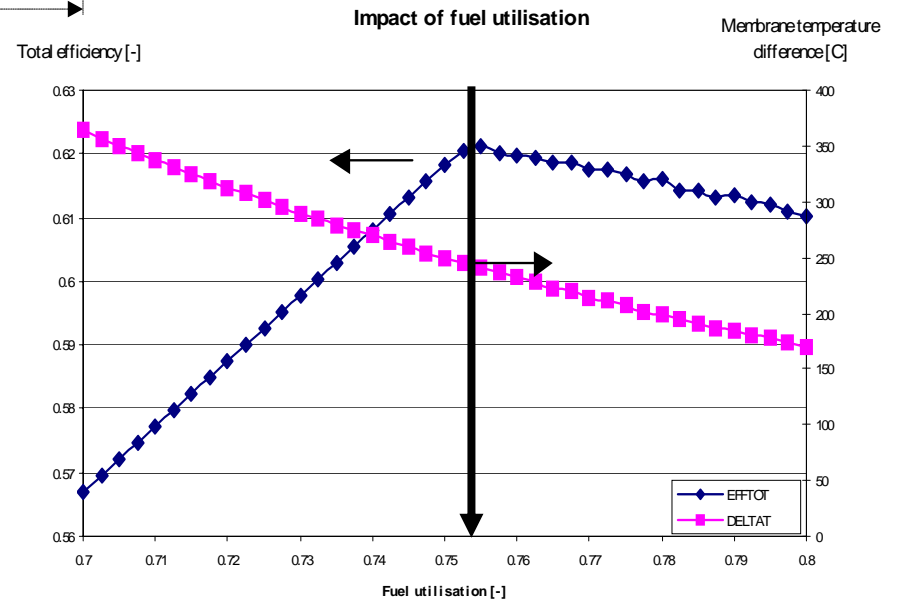
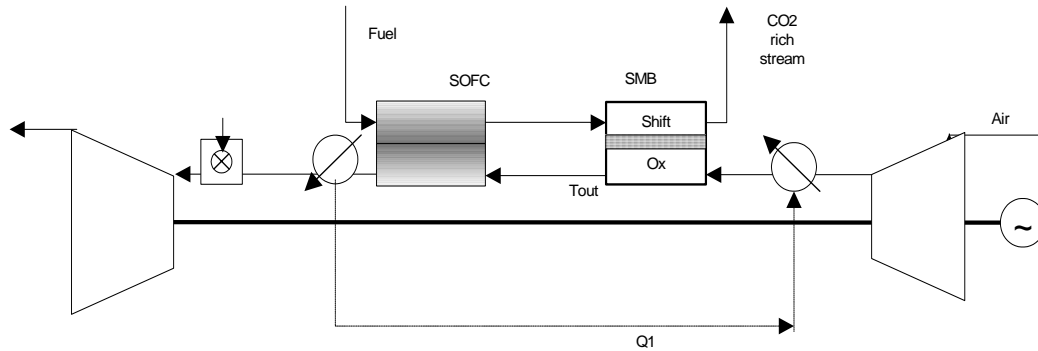




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Power generation in SOFC with H₂-MR



- Efficiency up to 62% LHV
- Fuel utilisation SOFC is key parameter

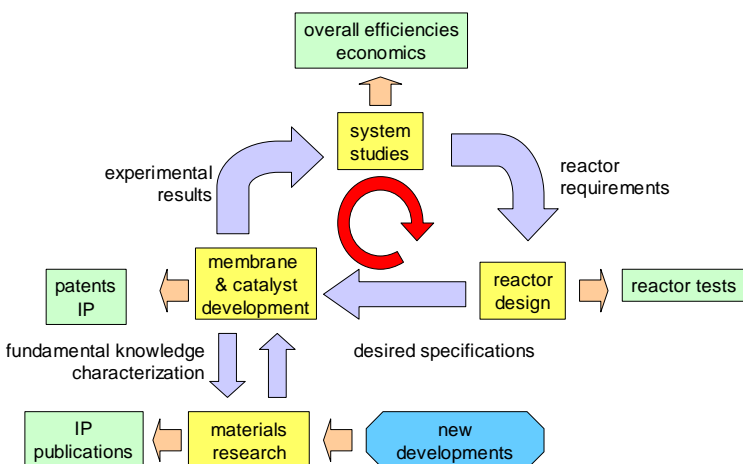


CCS projects at ECN

GCEP

CO₂ separating membranes for advanced energy systems

- Part of the GCEP project managed by Stanford Stanford University
 - Sponsors: GE, EXXON, Toyota, and Schlumberger
- 3 years (2.3 million \$) project in cooperation with TU-Delft

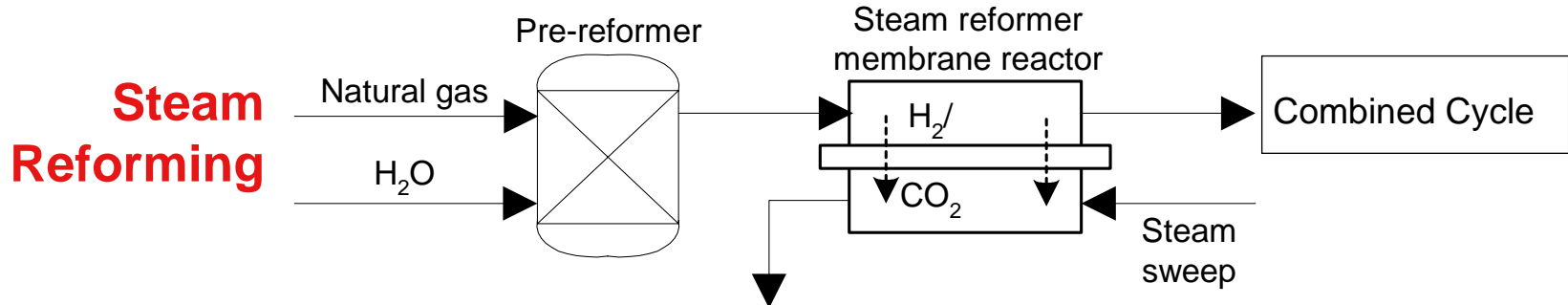


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| Task 1. | System analysis and thermodynamic evaluations | Executed by ECN |
| Task 2. | Hydrogen membrane research & development | Executed by TUD |
| Task 3. | CO ₂ membranes research & development | Executed by ECN+TUD |
| Task 4. | Catalyst screening | Executed by ECN |
| Task 5. | Reactor modelling and design | Executed by ECN |

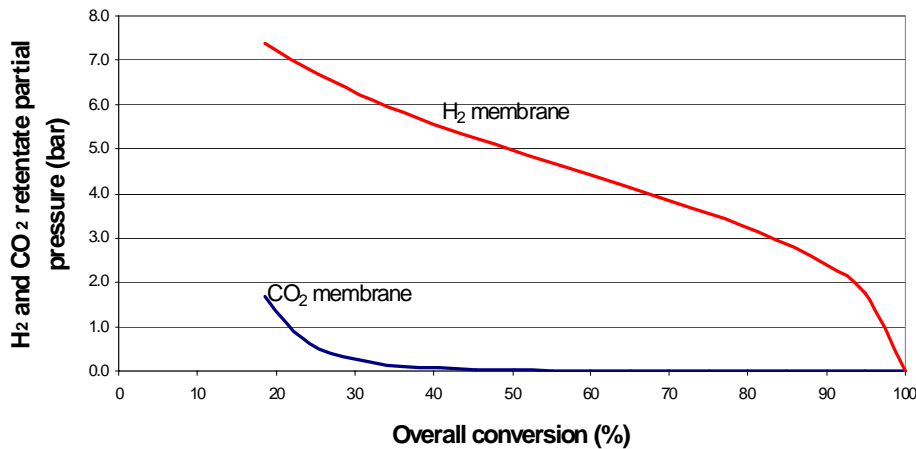


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GCEP



Membrane reformer: Residual partial pressure of permeating component in retentate as a function of conversion.



@ 600 °C, 40 bar, S/C = 3, Sweep: steam 5 bar, 600 °C, Sweep flow/Feed flow = 0.11 (mole/mole)

➤ Conversion relatively easy enhanced by separation of H₂ → favourable kinetics

➤ CO₂ selective membranes show a too low conversion and are therefore not suitable, as opposed to H₂ selective membranes

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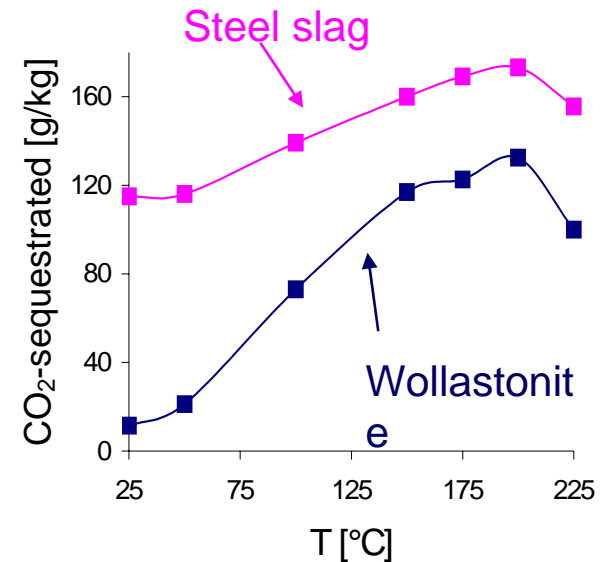
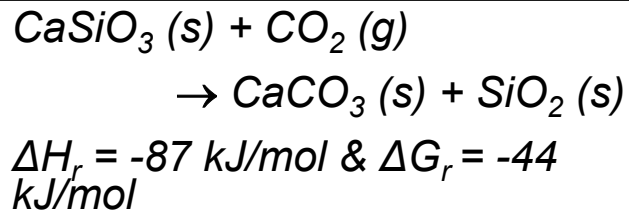
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Mineral CO₂ sequestration in alkaline solid waste

Main route of natural CO₂ sequestration:

→ weathering of (Ca,Mg)-silicates



$d < 106 \mu\text{m}$, $p_{\text{CO}_2} = 20 \text{ bar}$

ECN CCS activities

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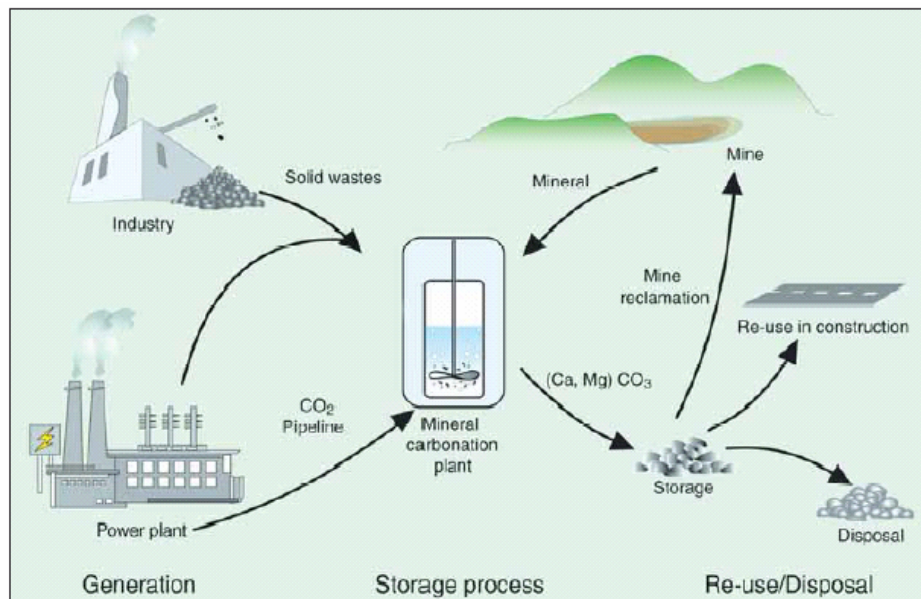
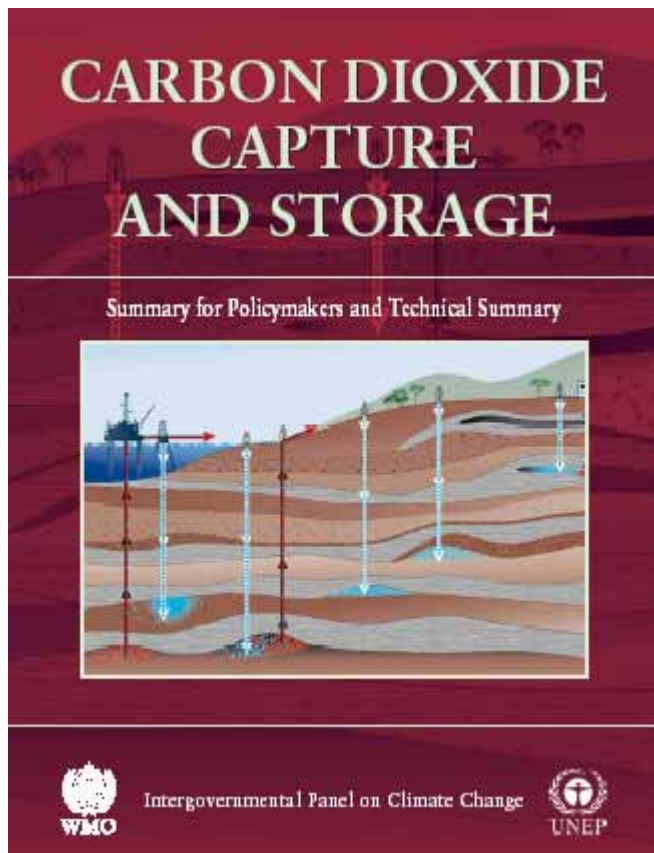


Figure TS.10. Material fluxes and process steps associated with the mineral carbonation of silicate rocks or industrial residues (Courtesy ECN).

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