

**Hydrogen H₂ for decarbonation in energy
and industry uses:
present and future**

Learning objectives

- Overview of H₂ uses, now and in future
 - possible for all energy sectors, and heavy industry
- Key is
 - renewable electricity => electrolysis ('Power-to-Gas')
 - massive scaling & deployment is needed
- Thermodynamics and efficiency of electrolysis
 - various technologies (water (H⁺ / OH⁻), steam)
 - heat integration
- Storage technologies and distribution paths of H₂

H₂ and renewable energy

- H₂ does not occur naturally on Earth
- It stems mostly from fossil sources; this relates to its main current use (=chemical, not energetical)
- Green H₂ can be made – via electrolysis - mainly from variable renewable electricity (PV, wind), which is driving the energy transition and must be stored
- H₂ presents all energy uses (**power, heat, mobility**) in addition to being a heavy industry **feedstock**
- It therefore has huge decarbonation potential, but must be made on massive scale (100s of GW)

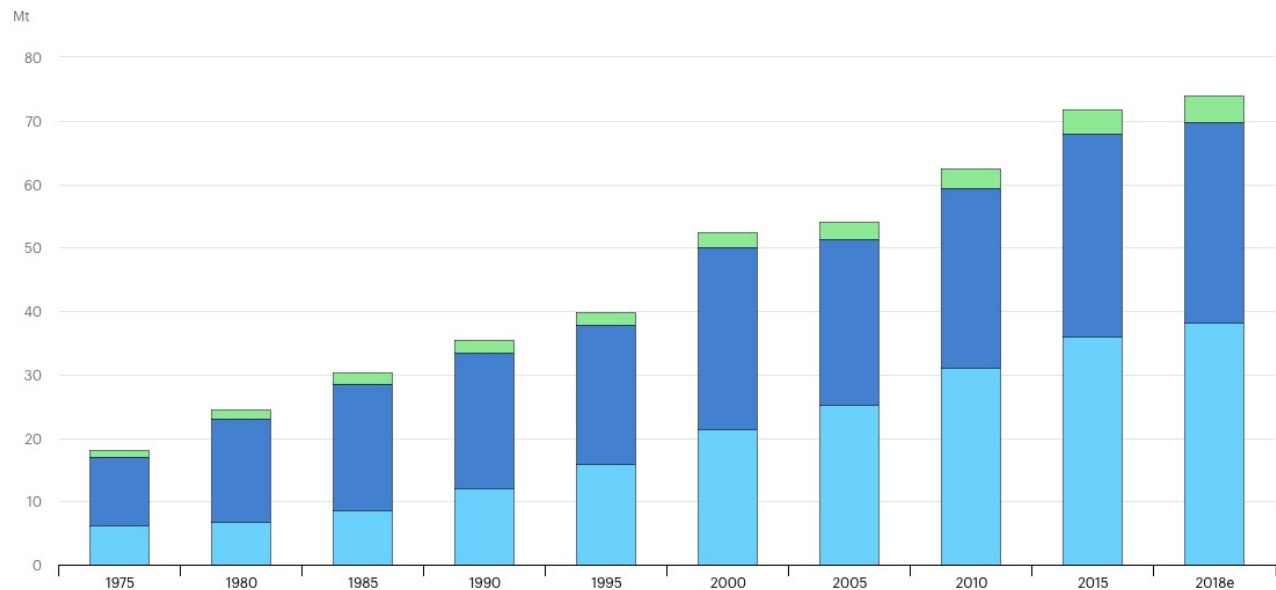
Grey, blue, green H₂

- Grey H₂ : made from fossil sources
- Blue H₂ : made from fossil sources but including carbon capture
- Green H₂ : made from renewable sources

Annual H₂ production

- $\approx 75 \text{ Mt/yr} \approx 830 \cdot 10^9 \text{ m}^3 / \text{yr} \approx 10 \text{ EJ (2800 TWh)} = 2\% \text{ of world energy}$
 - 49% from natural gas
 - 29% from oil
 - 18% from coal
 - 4% from electrolysis
- } 96% from fossil sources

Global demand for pure hydrogen, 1975-2018

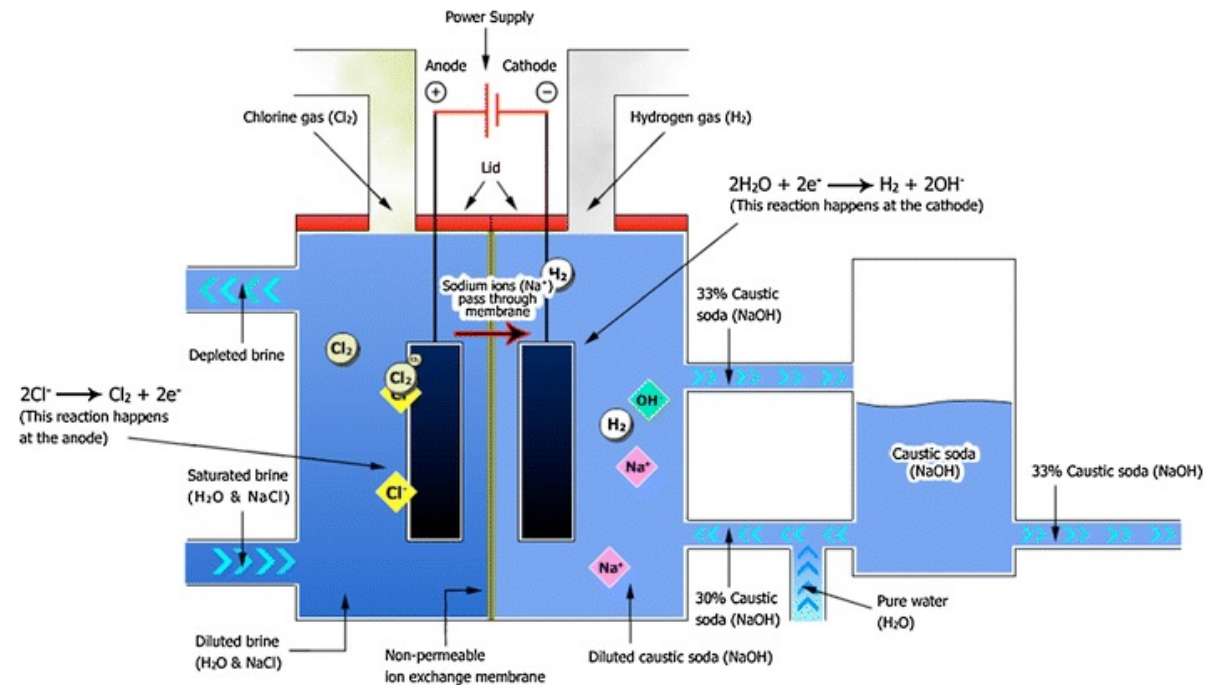
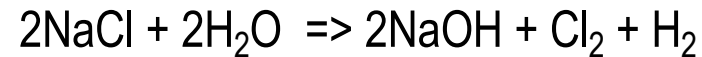


- By comparison: natural gas $4000 \cdot 10^9 \text{ m}^3 / \text{yr} = 140 \text{ EJ (24\% of world energy - 580EJ)}$

Electrolytic H₂ : e.g. chlor-alkaline-industry

- Production 2017: 58 Mton Cl₂ (650 plants)
- Elec. consumption: 2.1 – 3.4 kWhe / kg Cl₂
- (take average of 2.5 kWhe / kg Cl₂) => 150 TWhe ≈ 25-30 GWe worldwide
- ≈0.6% of world electricity (25 PWh)
- this co-produces 1.6 Mt H₂ = 54 TWh H₂, accounting for >½ of all electrolytic H₂

Chlor-alkali process (1888)



<https://www.eurochlor.org/>

Lakshmanan, S. & Murugesan, T. *Clean Techn Environ Policy* (2014) 16: 225. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10098-013-0630-6>

H₂ production from fossil fuels

Process	Reaction	ΔH (kJ/mol)	T (°C)	P (bar)	Efficiency (% HHV)
Steam reforming	$\text{CH}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 3 \text{H}_2 + \text{CO}$	+206	500-700	1-30	85
Partial oxidation	$\text{CH}_4 + 1/2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{H}_2 + \text{CO}$	-36	700 (CPOX) >1000 (POX)	1-150	60-75
Autothermal reforming	$\text{CH}_4 + x\text{H}_2\text{O} + y\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_2, \text{CO}$	0	700-900	1-50	70-80
Pyrolysis	$\text{CH}_4 \rightarrow 2 \text{H}_2 + \text{C}$	+75	600-900	1-10	50
Gasification	$\text{C}(\text{H}_x\text{O}_y) + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{CO}$	+132	1100	50-70	60
Shift reaction	$\text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{CO}_2$	-41	HTS 350 LTS 200	1-30	-

Thermal reforming

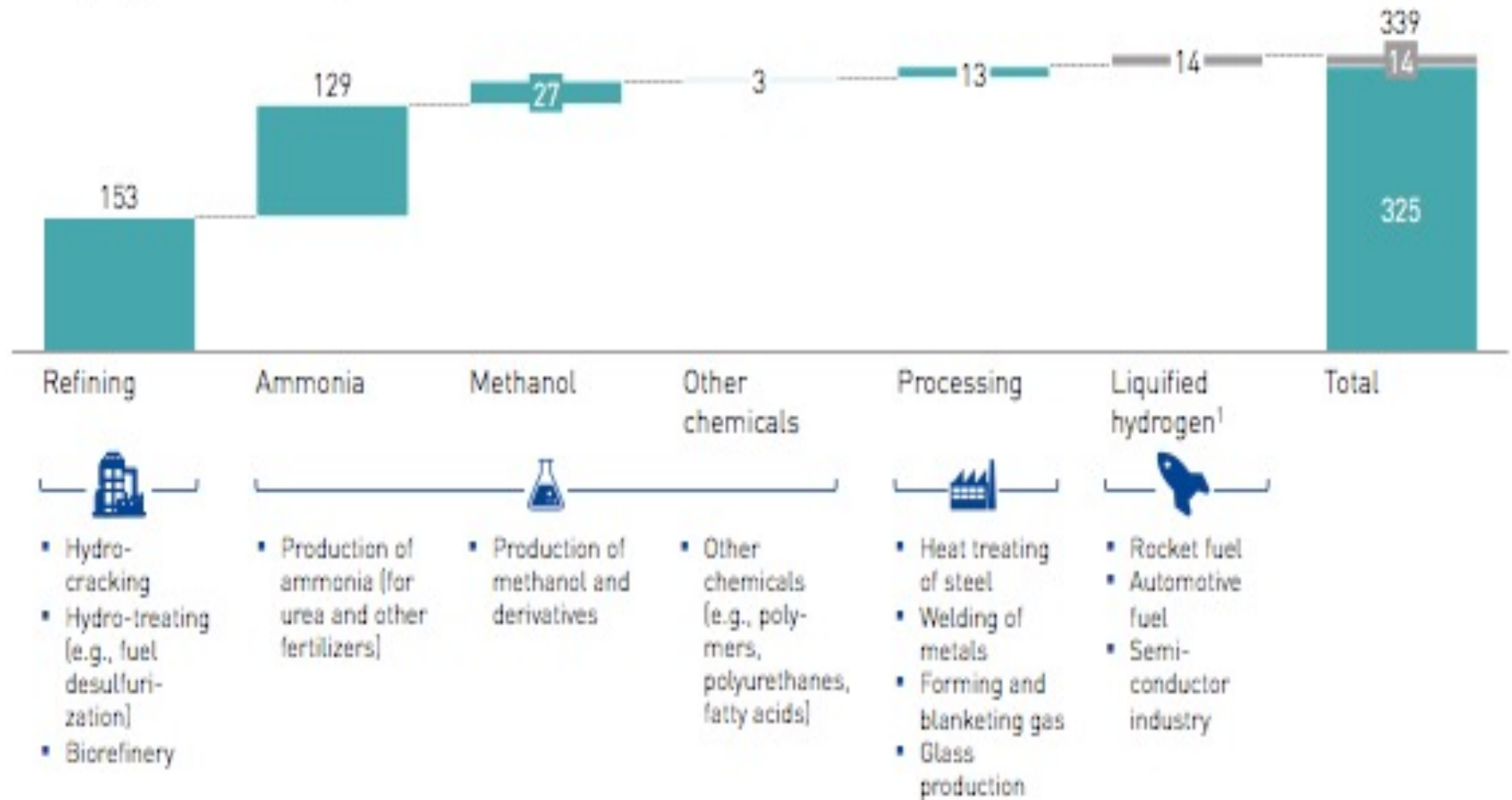
- **Steam reforming (STR):**
 - 😊 100 m³/h to 140'000 m³/h plants
 - 😊 catalyst lifetime (Ni) > 10 yrs
 - 😊 very well known and established
 - 😊 highest H₂ yield, lowest operation temperature
 - 😞 endothermic, sluggish, large scale
 - 😊 80-90% efficiency, 10'000 h⁻¹ GHSV (ratio gas flow : reactor volume)
- **Partial oxidation (POX):**
 - 😞 in reality a substoichiometric combustion reaction followed by STR
 - 😊 simple, fast, compact
 - 😞 low H₂ yield, high T, difficult T-control, risk of carbon deposits
 - 😞 70-75% efficiency, 80'000 h⁻¹ GHSV
- **Autothermal reforming (ATR):**
 - 😊 intermediate behaviour between STR and POX
 - 😞 75-85% efficiency, 25'000 h⁻¹ GHSV



Linde, Texas, STR, HT-shift, PSA
NG, 110000 m³/h, 99.99% pure H₂

Current uses of H₂ (EU)

Total hydrogen use in the EU, in TWh



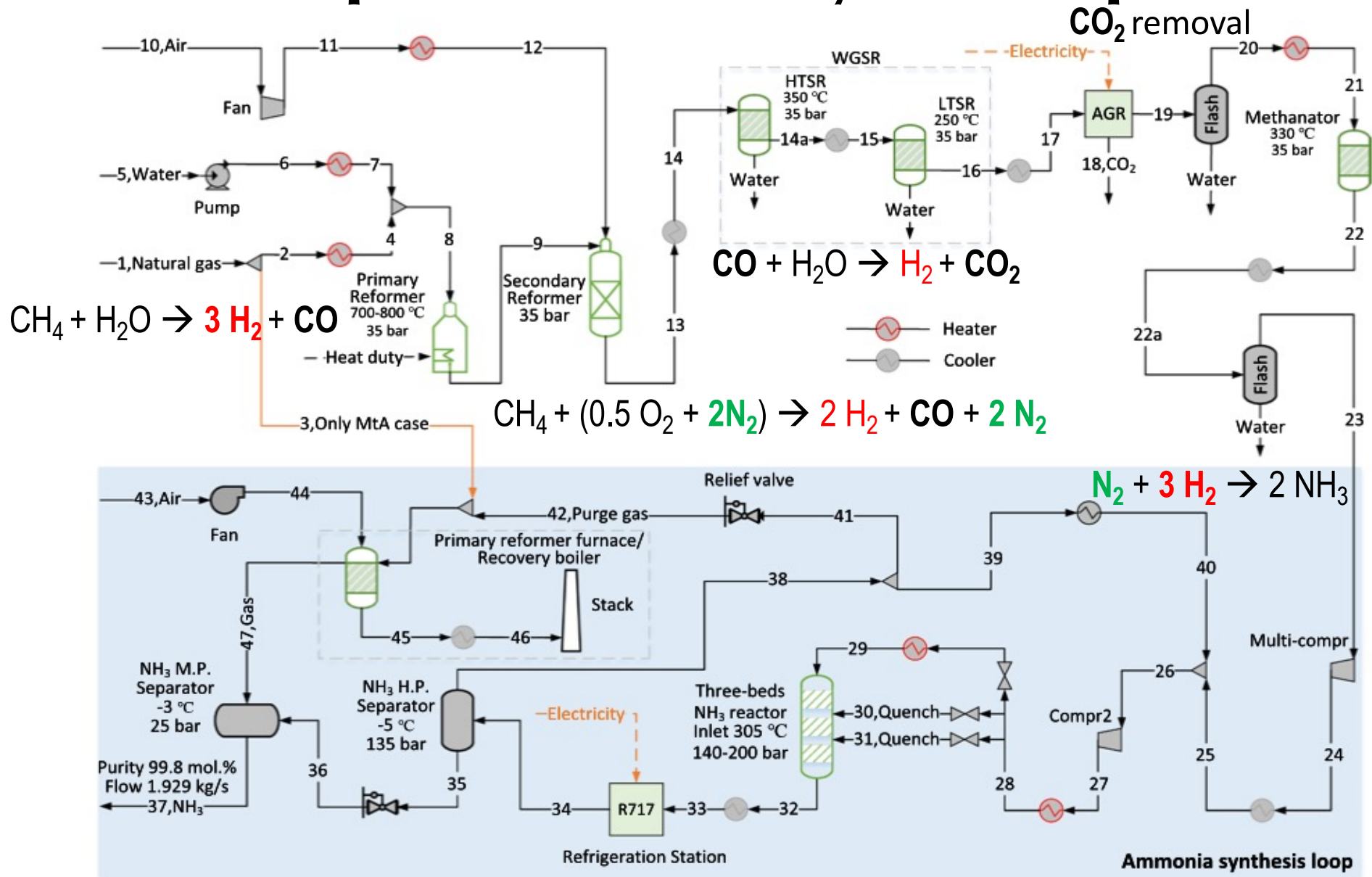
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H₂ current uses

- Refineries (47%): hydrodesulphurisation (HDS), hydro-cracking
- Ammonia (NH₃) production (fertiliser) (40%)
- Methanol (8%) and other chemicals (1%)
- 'Light' industries (4%): where reducing atmosphere is needed
 - metal treatment
 - semiconductor industry
 - glass making (glass floating on liquid tin baths)
 - food (fats hydrogenation)
- 325 TWh or 1.2 EJ (2% of final EU energy)

Example: ammonia synthesis plant



Techno-economic comparison of green ammonia production processes, Fig. 1
 H Zhang, L Wang, J Van herle, F Maréchal, U Desideri, *Applied Energy* 259, 114135 (2020)

Light industry	Cooking oil and fat	Glass	Electronic	Metallurgy
EU market size (billion Nm ³ /year)	0,41	0,07	0,33	0,32
Plant capacity range (expressed in MW of electrolyser)	30kW to 3MW	250 to 600 kW	Up to 2 MW	100kW to 4 MW
Hydrogen supply capacity need	10-50 Nm ³ /h	300-700 t/d	500 Nm ³ /h	20-1000 Nm ³ /h

Table 38: Overview of the light industry hydrogen market

Typical Process	Supply of hydrogen	Hydrogen flow
Annealing	Batch	50-500 Nm ³ /h
Brazing	Both	40-200 Nm ³ /h
Sintering	Continuous	60 Nm ³ /h
Hardening	Batch	Various
Carburising	Both	Various

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Table 99: Typical metal heat-treatment processes [43]

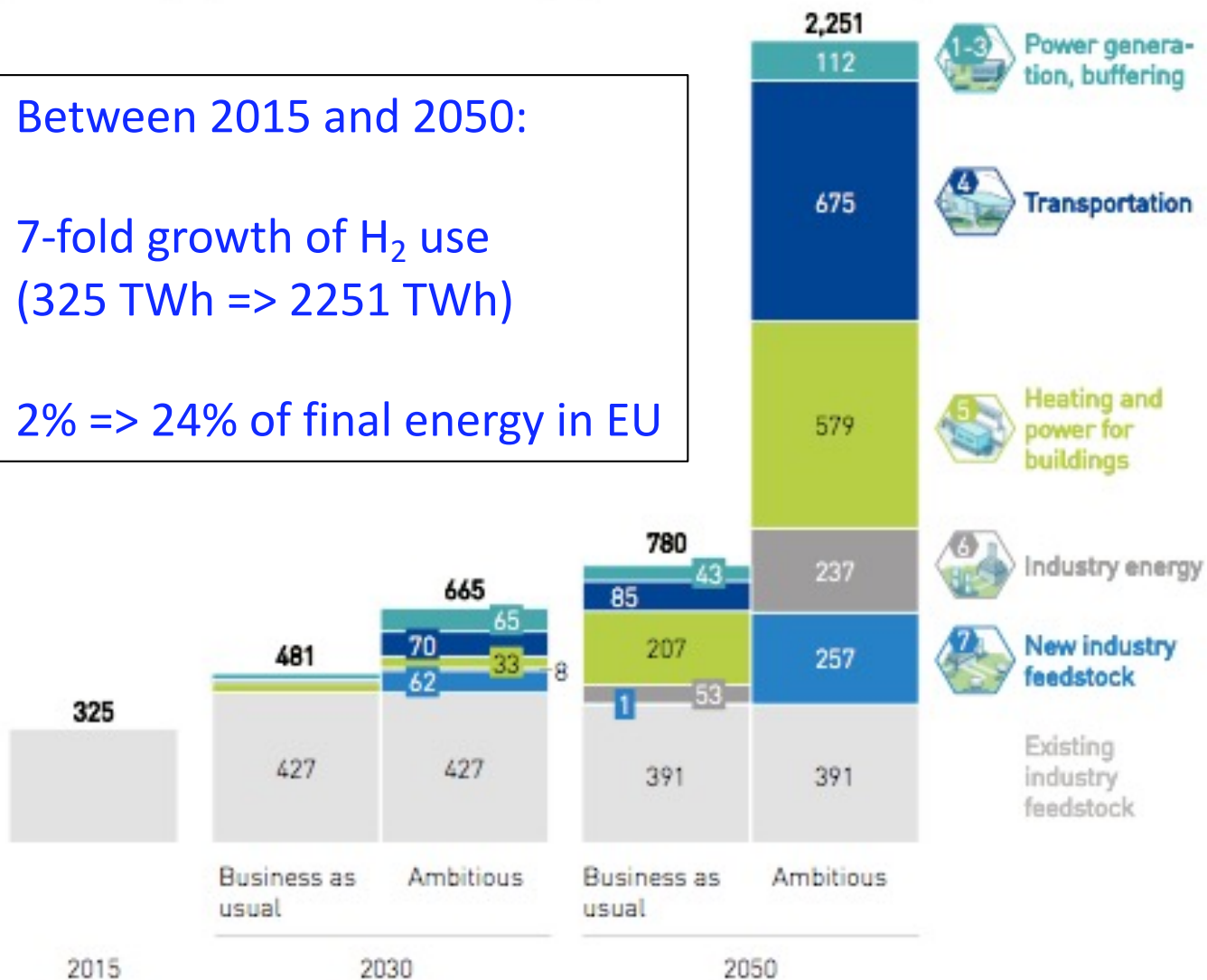
Future uses and impact of H₂

Annual H₂ demand per segment



Final energy demand	14,100	11,500		9,300	
Thereof H ₂	2%	4%	6%	8%	24%

Between 2015 and 2050:
7-fold growth of H₂ use
(325 TWh => 2251 TWh)
2% => 24% of final energy in EU



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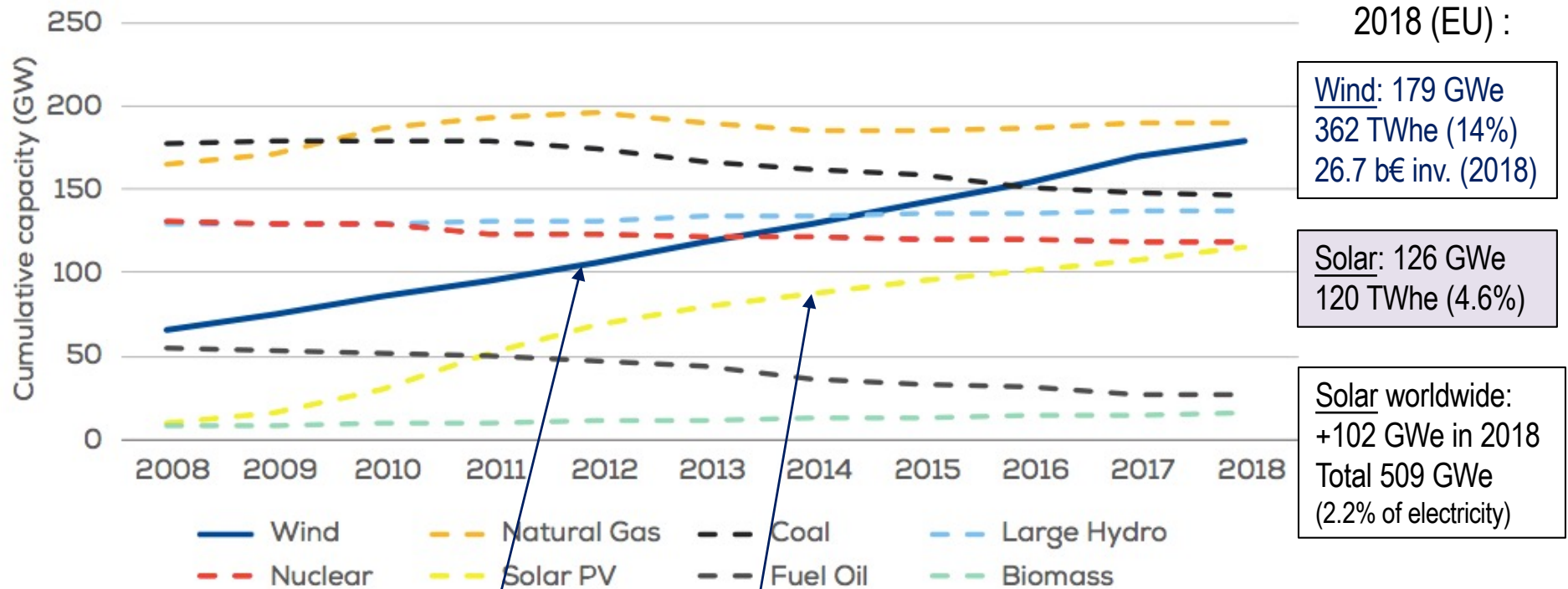
Future H₂ uses

- **Mobility** : fuel cell vehicles
- Residential **heating** : natural gas network admixing, and/or H₂ pipelines
- **Industry**:
 - industry **heating**: replacing coal, natural gas
 - industry **feedstock**:
 - refineries
 - ammonia, methanol, other industries
 - steel making
 - light industries

Where will this H₂ come from?

FIGURE 1

Total power generation capacity in the European Union 2008-2018



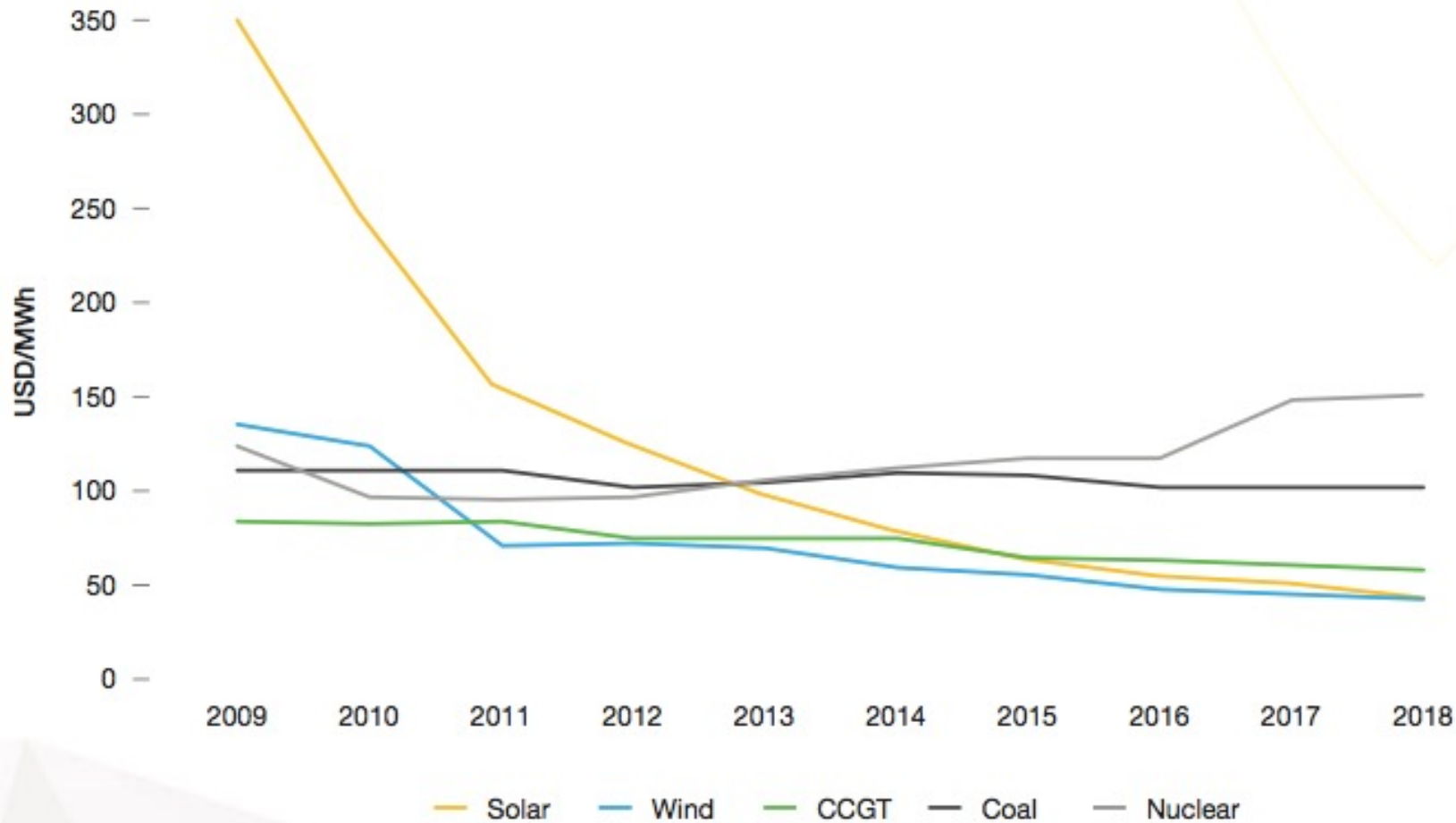
From growth in Wind + Solar PV



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Solar PV and wind is the cheapest electricity!

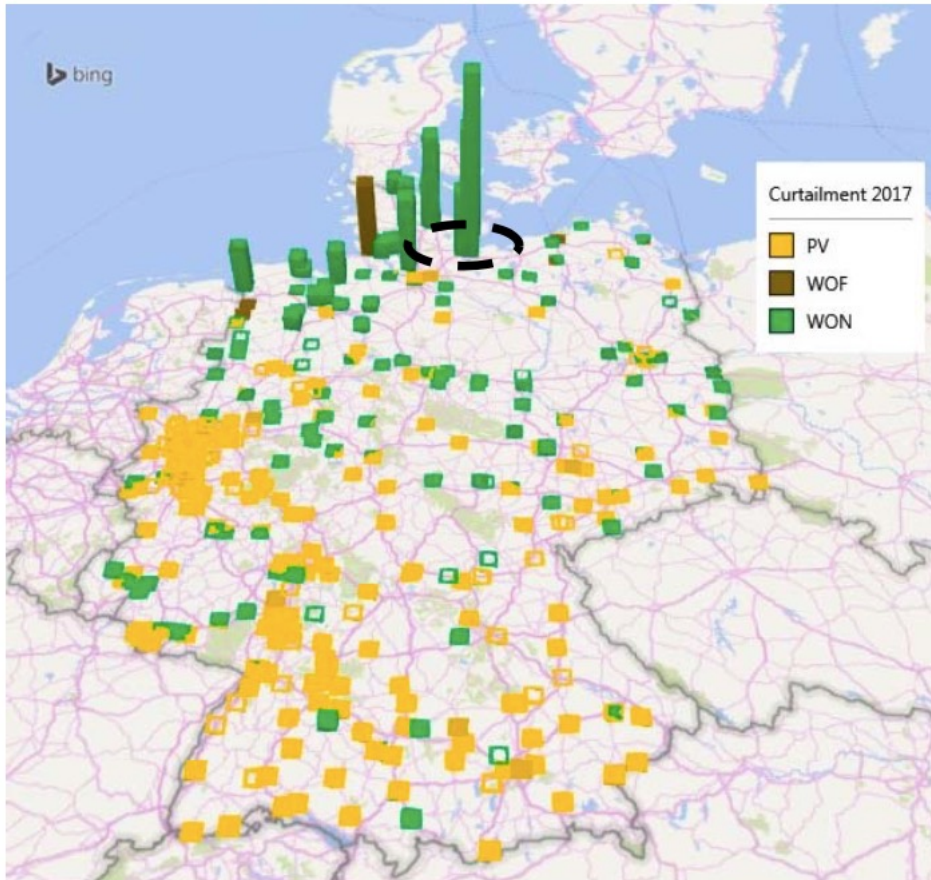
FIGURE 3 SOLAR ELECTRICITY GENERATION COST IN COMPARISON WITH OTHER POWER SOURCES 2009-2018



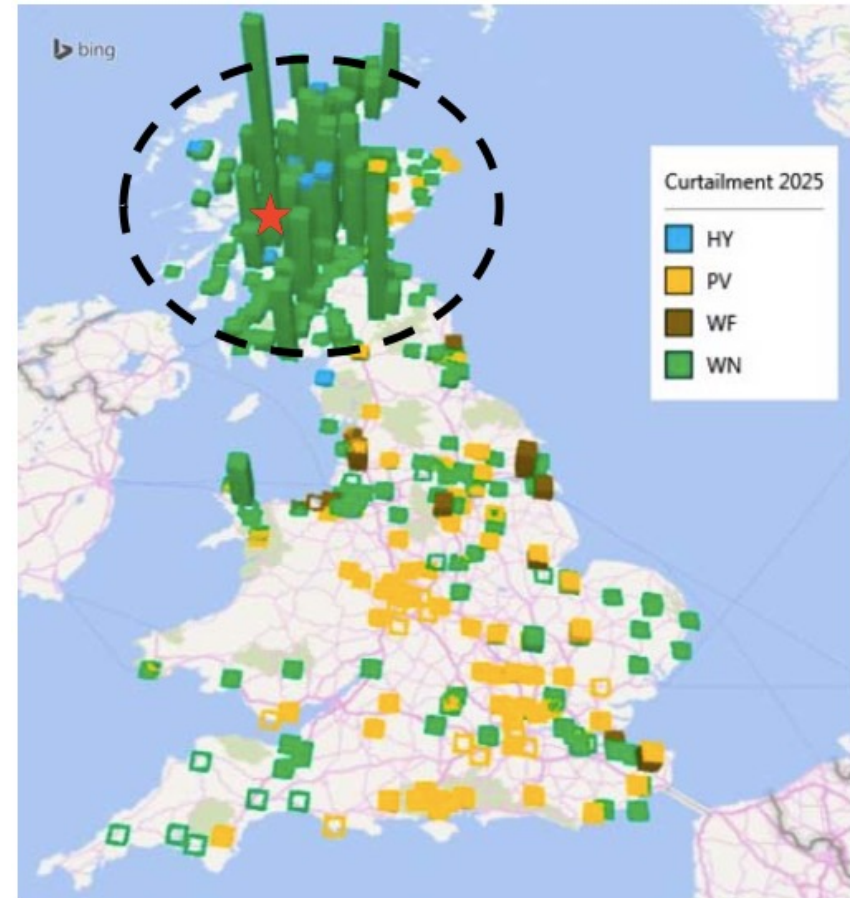
Source: Lazard (2018). All prices in 2019 USD.

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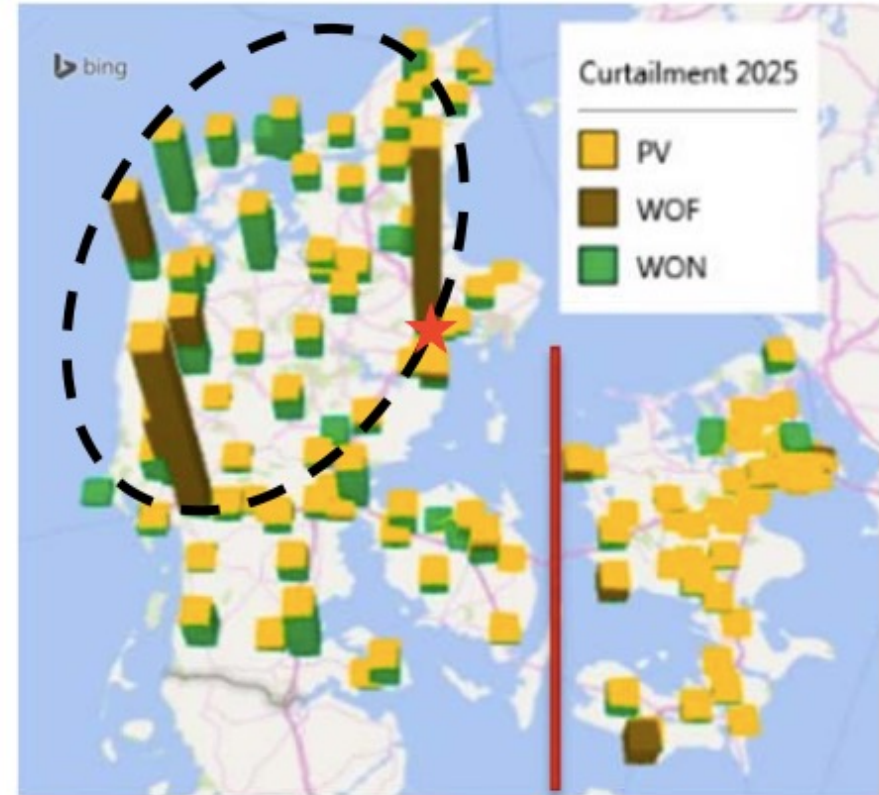
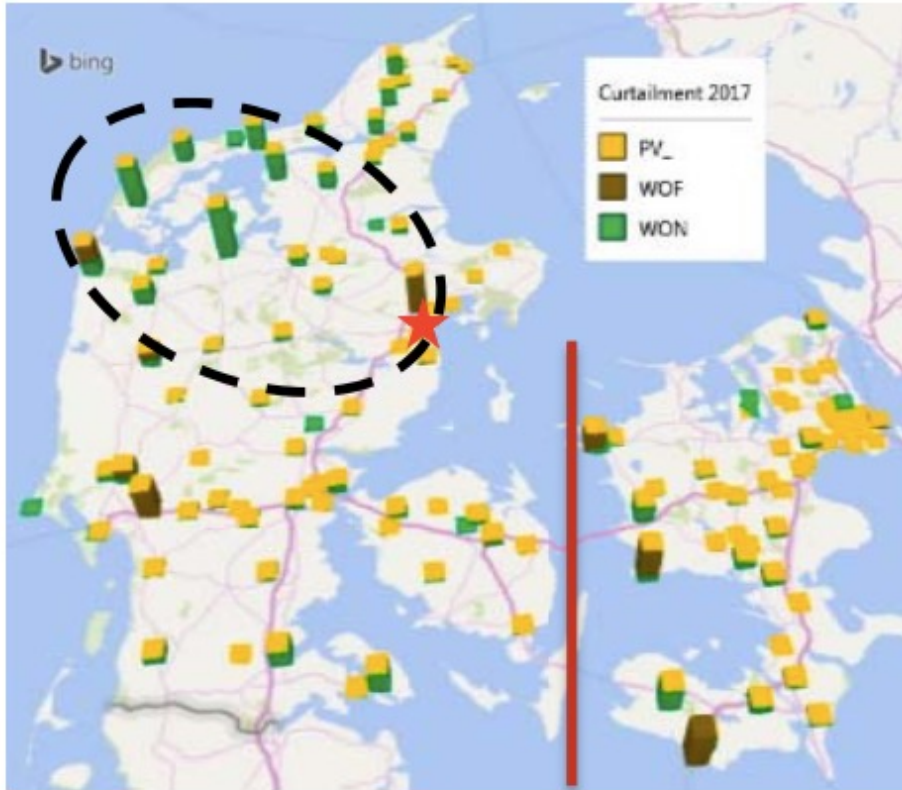
'Curtailment' (excess electricity production)





Germany, 2017, max bar height = 428 GWh.



UK, 2025, max bar height = 117 GWh.



 Interesting zones for an electrolyser
 Separation Denmark West / Denmark East

DK: 2017 (left) and 2025 (right). Max bar height 2025 = 442 GWh

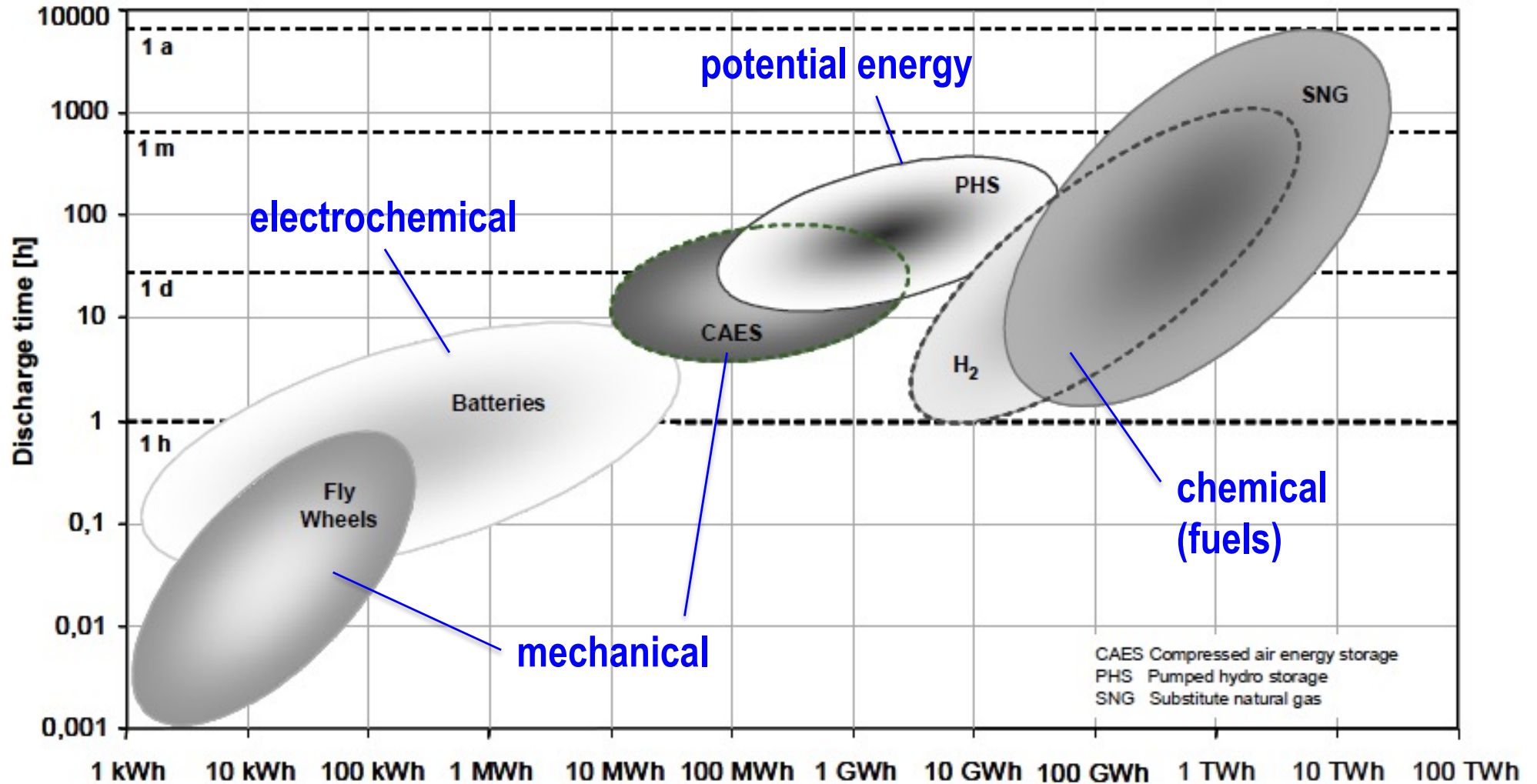
Electricity Storage as Power-to-Gas

- the electrical grid has little storage capacity
- seasonal electricity demand varies significantly
- the difference (summer-winter) is exacerbated when replacing base-load (nuclear) with renewables like PV and hydro (summer-excess, winter-deficit)

→ long term storage is required

- as fuel by electrolysis (H_2 , CH_4 , ...)

Storage schemes overview

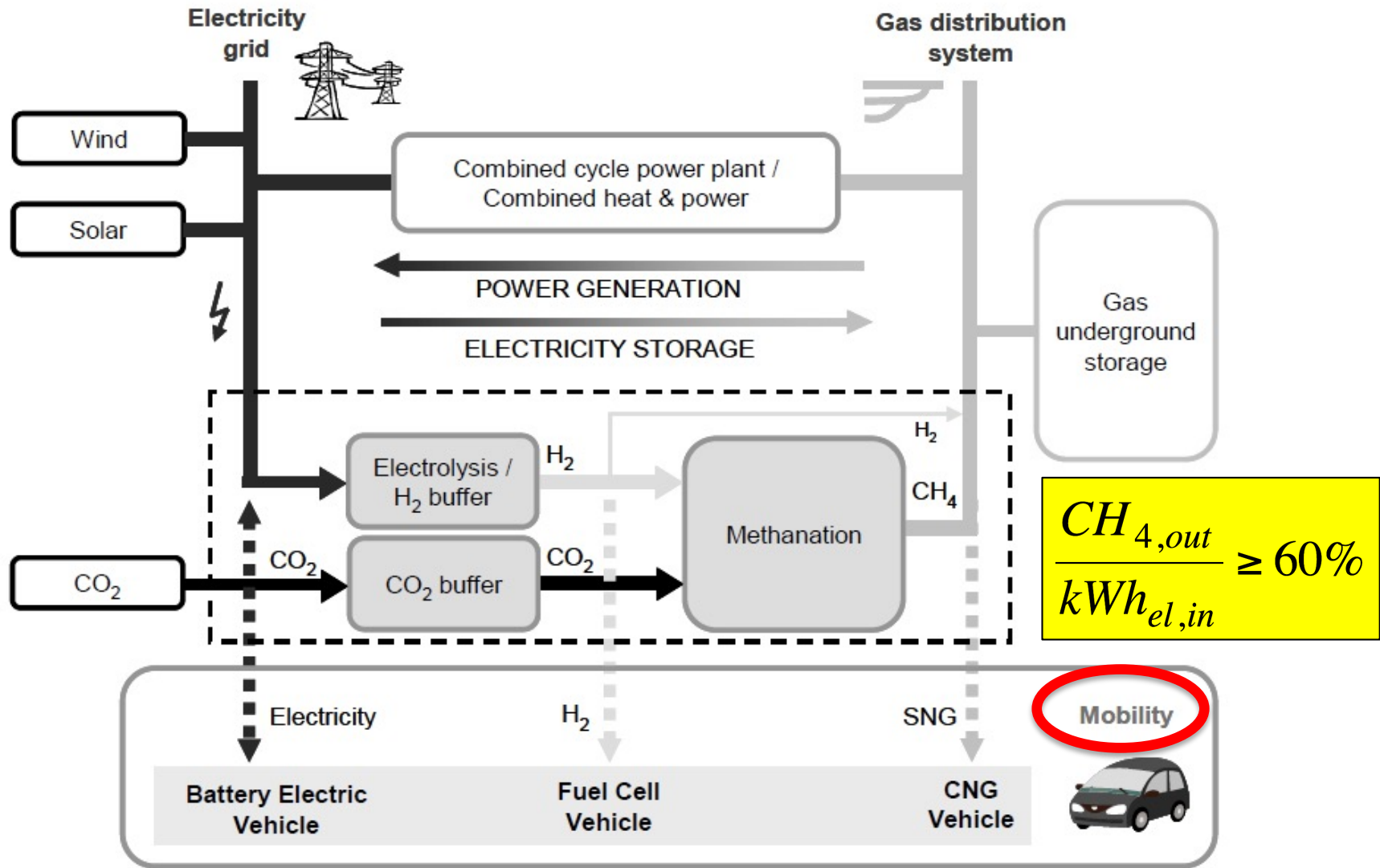


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→ converting electricity to fuel gives the largest capacities

'Power-to-Gas' concept



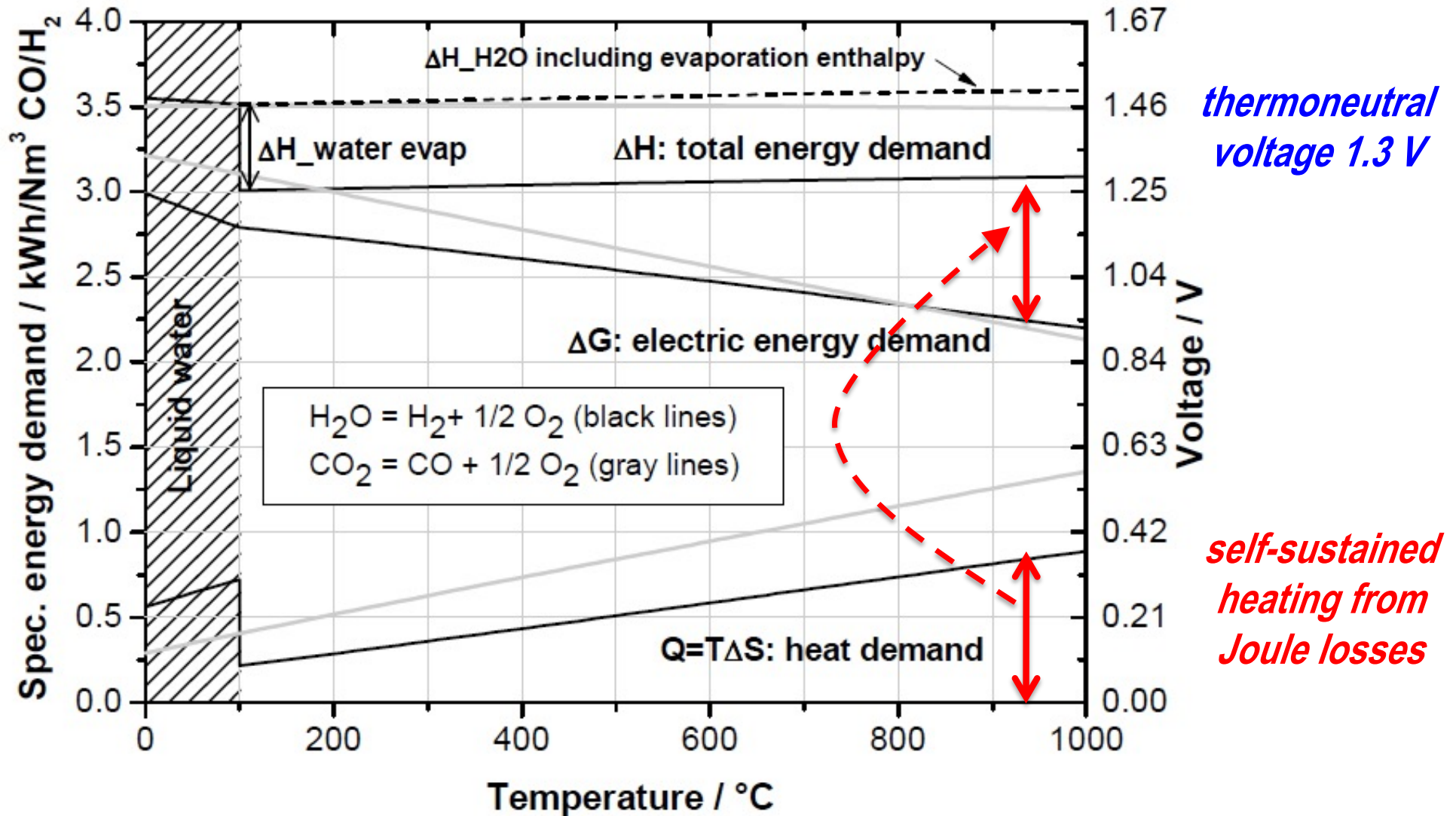
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Motivation / Rationale

- tap/store available renewable seasonal/intermittent electricity reserve (hydro, PV, wind)
- chemical fuel storage is long term, high density, versatile
 - esp. mobility fuels are a bottleneck, and imported
- extending the electricity grid is expensive
- the **natural gas grid** has large capacity reserve and is associated with low distribution losses (1/10th of elec. grid distribution)

Thermodynamics of electrolysis

at 700°C, electrical input is reduced by 1/3 compared to liquid water electrolysis



Q. Fu, ROLE OF ELECTROLYSIS IN REGENERATIVE SYNGAS AND SYN-FUEL PRODUCTION, in Syngas: Production, Applications and Environmental Impact, Editor: A. Indarto and J. Palgunadi, 2011 Nova Science Publishers, Inc.

Thermodynamics

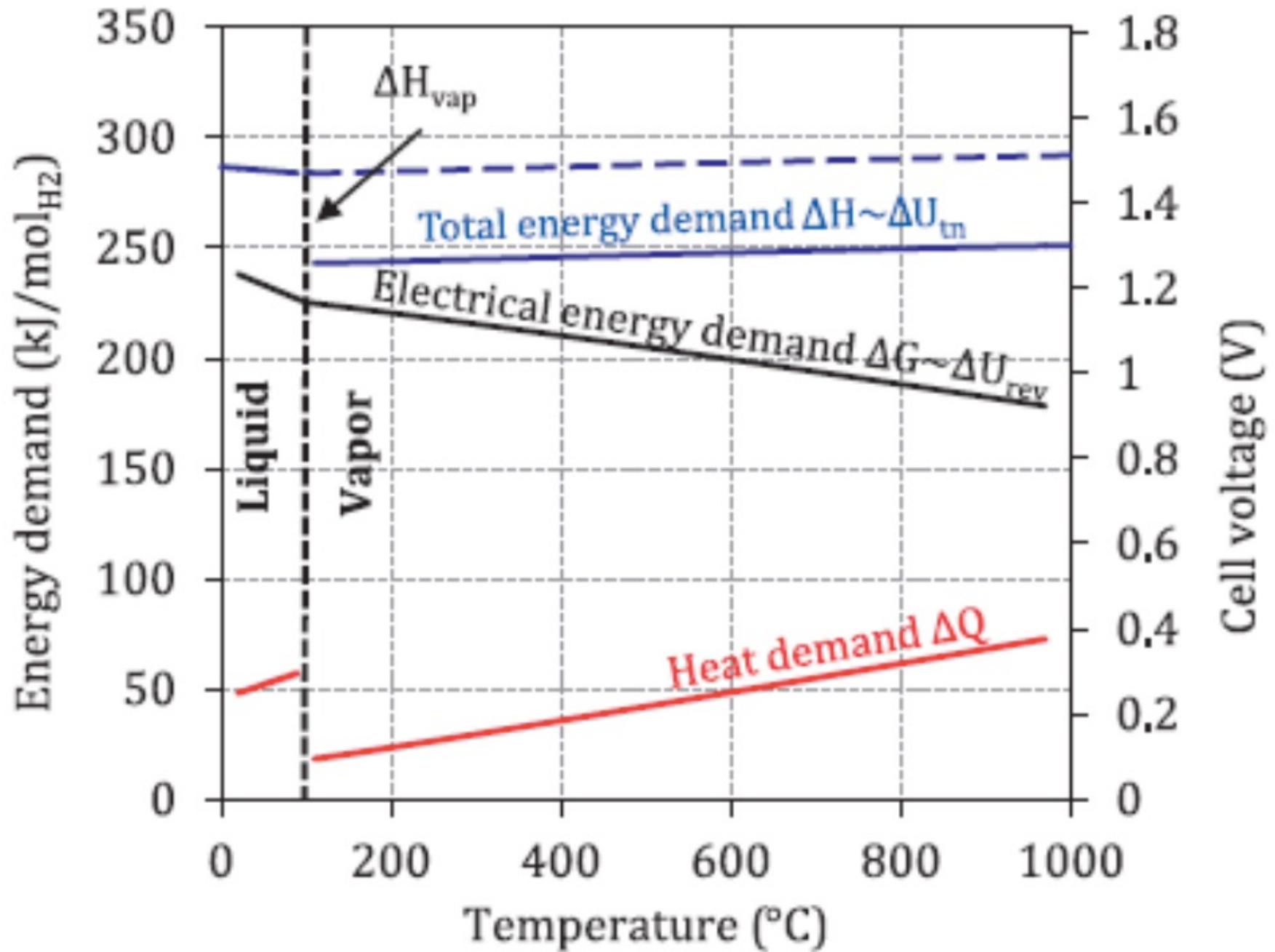
	Reaction	ΔH (kJ/mol)	MJ / Nm ³	kWh / Nm ³
Water	$H_2O(l) \Rightarrow H_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2$	286	12.77	3.55
Steam	$H_2O(g) \Rightarrow H_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2$	242	10.80	3.00
	$CO_2 \Rightarrow CO + \frac{1}{2}O_2$	283	12.63	3.51



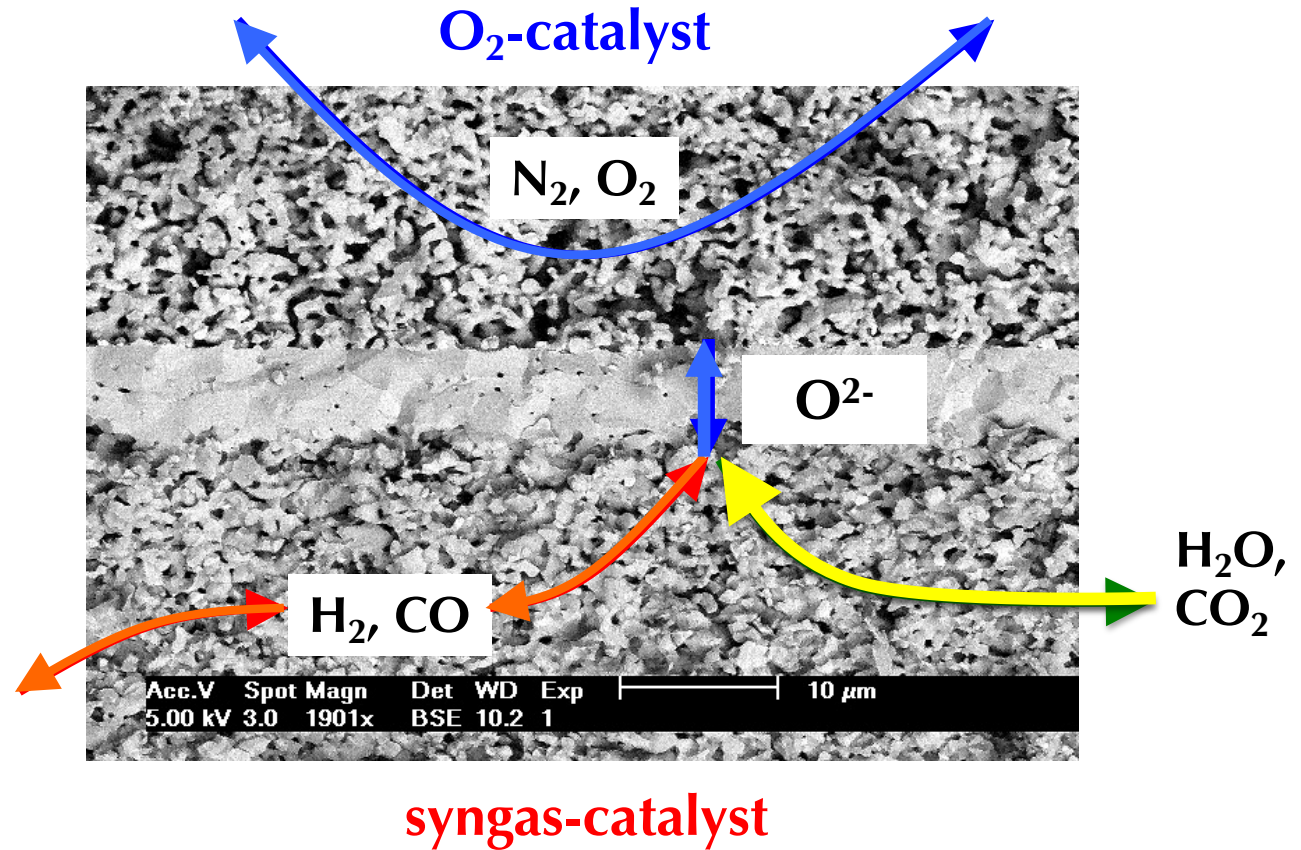
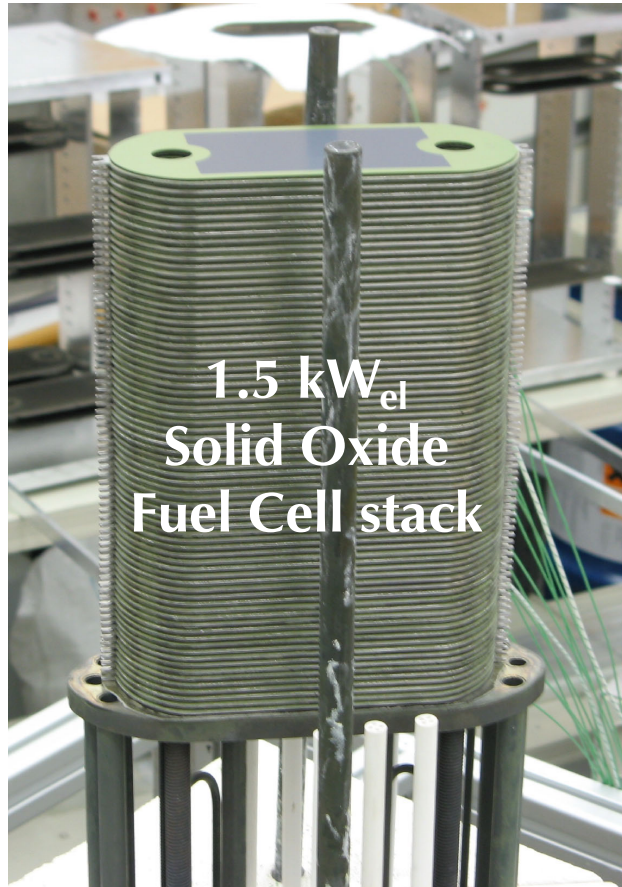
Electrolysis : energy necessary for dissociation



Combustion: energy liberated as heat



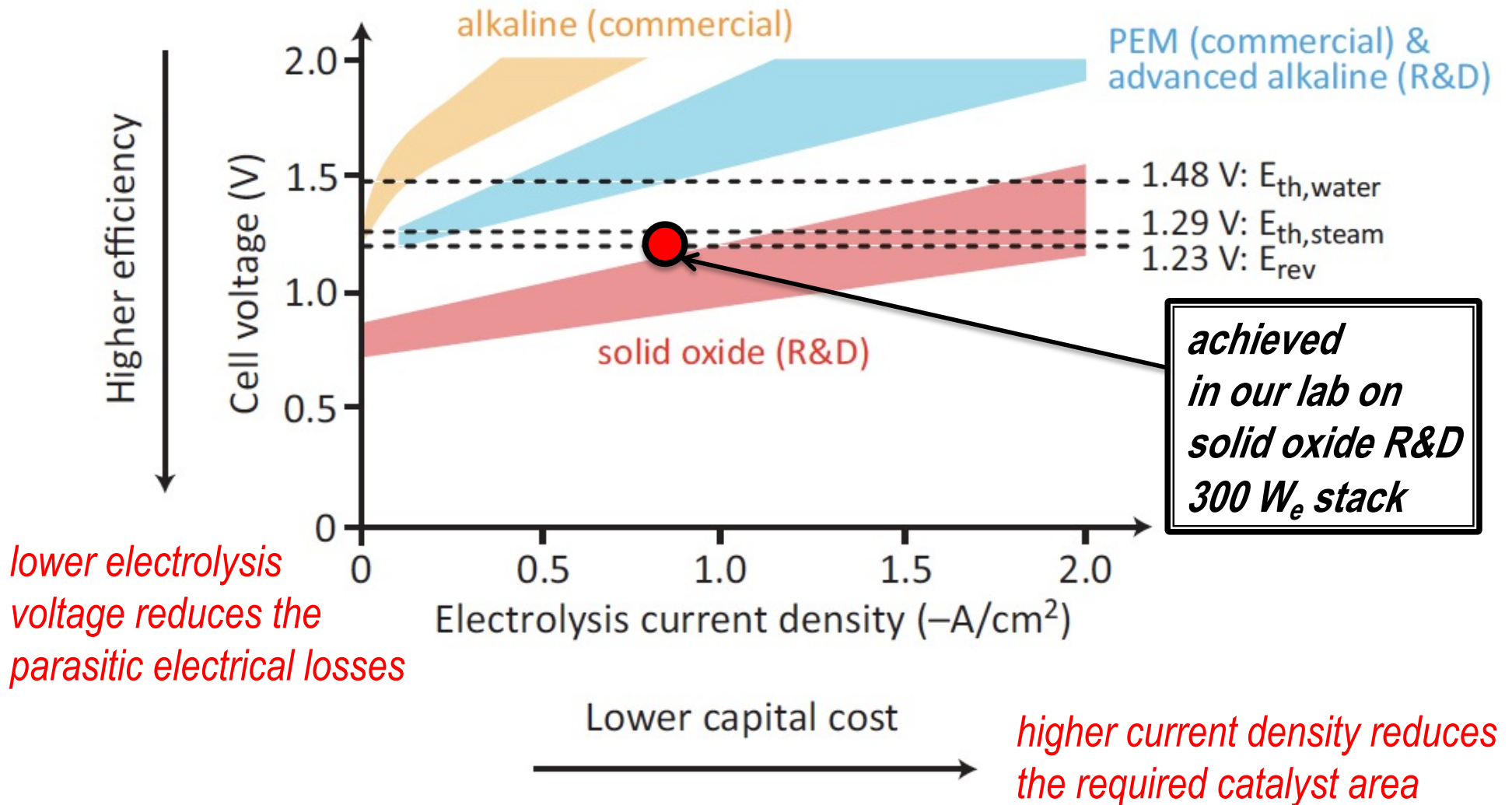
How is it done? : as inverse fuel cell



Operating regime :
700-800°C
1 bar (to 5 bar)

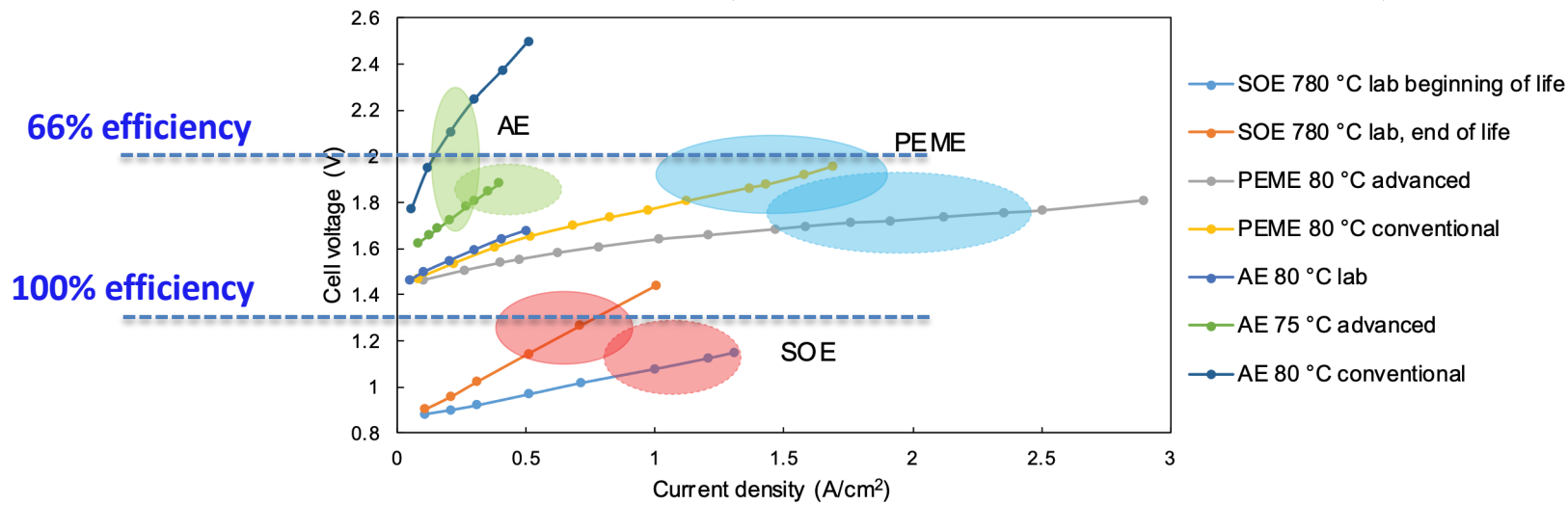
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Electrolysis technology comparison

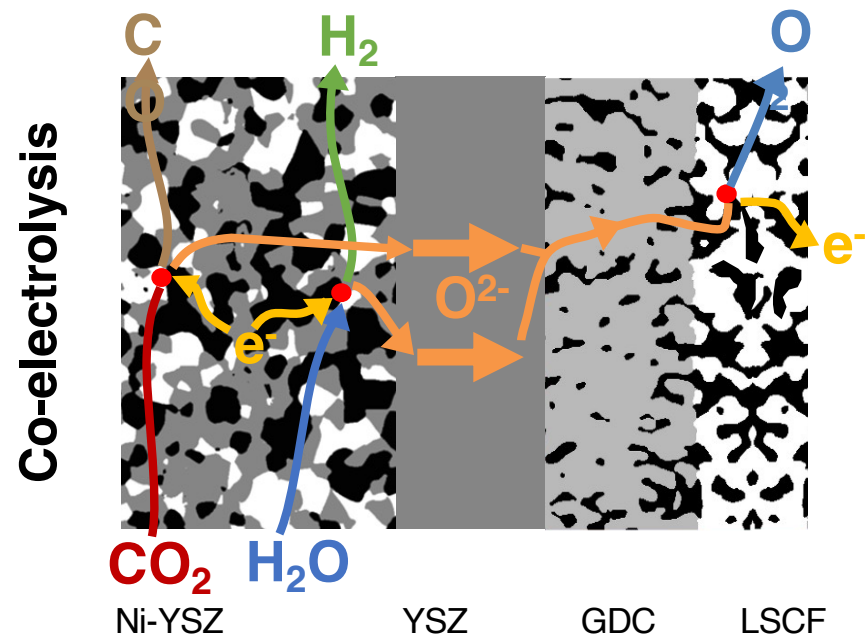
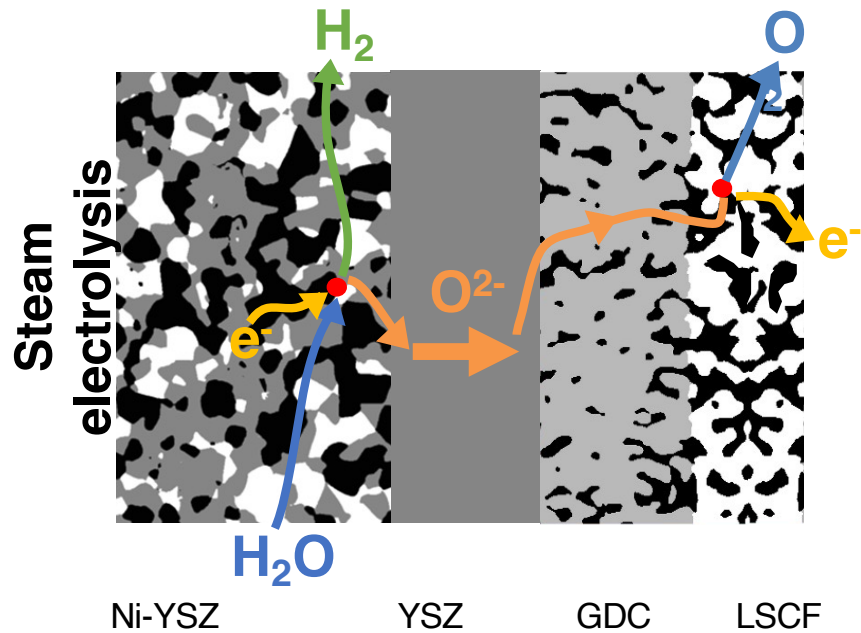


Sustainable hydrocarbon fuels by recycling CO₂ and H₂O with renewable or nuclear energy
 Christopher Graves, Sune D. Ebbesen, Mogens Mogensen, Klaus S. Lackner
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Electrolysis of water (alcaline AE, PEME) and steam (solid oxide - SOE)



□ Solid-oxide electrolysis (650 – 900 °C)



Electrolysis key figures

	Alcaline	PEM	Solid oxide
medium	liq. H ₂ O	liq. H ₂ O	steam (+ CO ₂)
temperature	80°C	80°C	800°C
current, A/cm ²	0.25 – 0.5	0.5 – 1.5	0.8*
voltage, V	1.7 - 2.0	1.5 – 2.0	1.25*
stack efficiency	≤ 85%	≤ 85%	≈ 100%
system efficiency *	≤ 75%	≤ 75%	≤ 90%
kWh _{el} / m ³ H ₂	≈ 5	≈ 5	≈ 3.5
lifetime	10-20 yrs	1-2 yr	1 yr

* losses: insulation, compression, inverter

figures achieved in our lab

Electrolysis efficiencies: lit. data

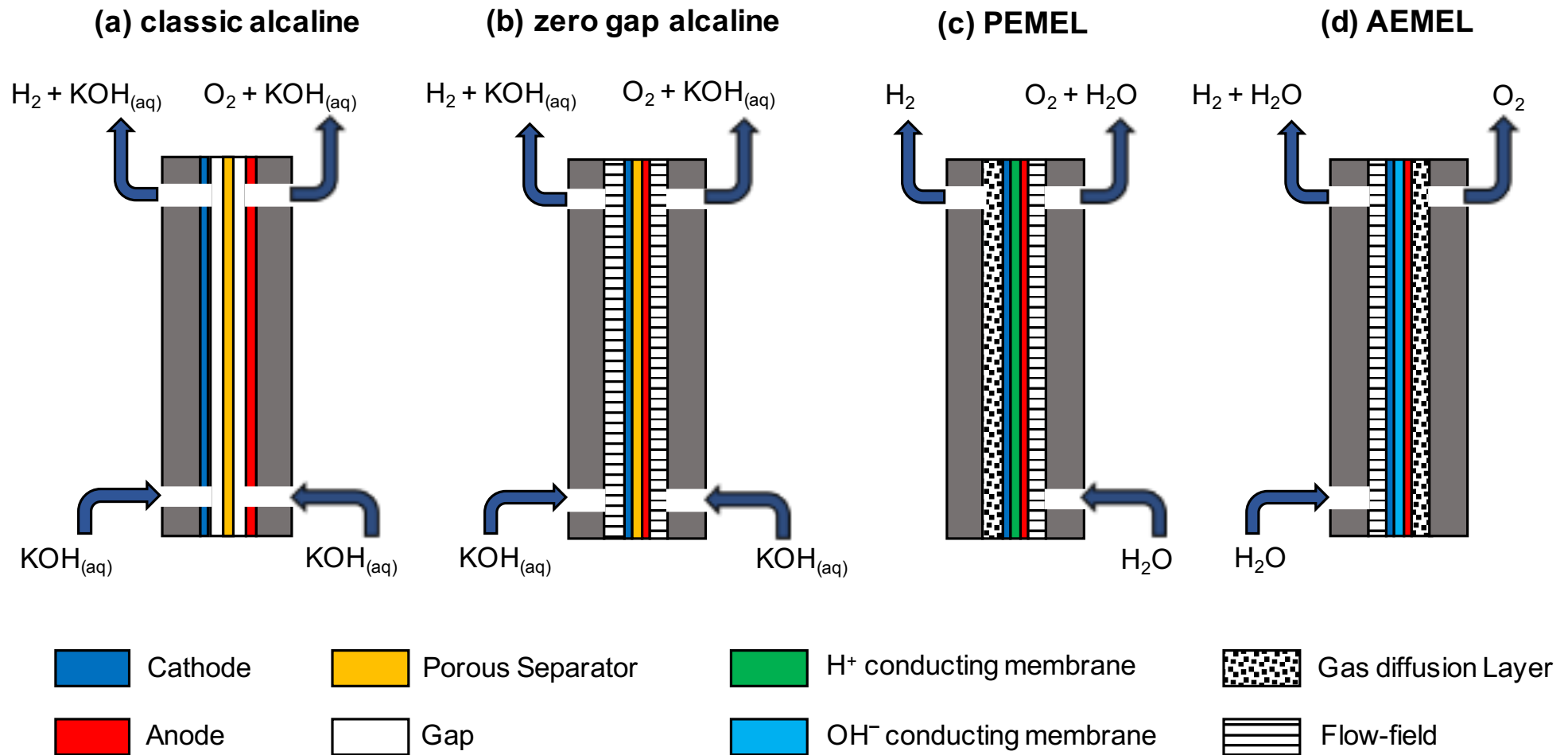
- theoretical : 39 kWh_{el}/kg H₂ (HHV 142 MJ/kg)
- alkaline electrolysis : 55-69 kWh_{el}/kg (56-73%)
 - 25°C, 30 wt% KOH solution, 2 V, 0.1-0.3 A/cm²
- polymer membrane electrolysis : 55-70%
 - inverse polymer electrolyte fuel cell
 - 60°C, no separation required, 1.6 V, 1.6 A/cm²
- ceramic membrane electrolysis (SOEC):
 - inverse solid oxide fuel cell, 800-1000°C, 1.2-1.5 V, 1 A/cm²
 - 85-90% (electrical only), 60% with external heat source
- cost : alkaline < polymer < SOEC



		Alkaline	PEM	AEM
Development status		Commercial	Commercial medium and small scale applications (≤ 300 kW)	Commercial in limited applications
System size range	Nm ³ _{H₂} /h	0.25 – 760	0.01 – 240	0.1 – 1
	kW	1.8 – 5,300	0.2 - 1,150	0.7 – 4.5
Hydrogen purity ⁶		99.5% – 99.9998%	99.9% – 99.9999%	99.4%
Indicative system cost	€/kW	1,000-1,200	1,900 – 2,300	N/A

Table 1: Overview of commercially available electrolyser technologies

New technology : AEM (anionic exchange membrane electrolysis)

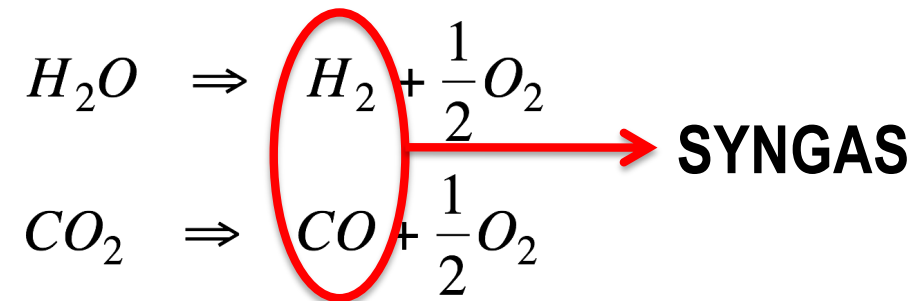


AEMEL : combination of PEMEL and classical alkaline

Advantages: no noble metal catalyst, no expensive Ti bipolar plates

(graph : Dr Heron Vrubel)

SOE: better than 'water-only' electrolysis: **steam+CO₂ co-electrolysis**

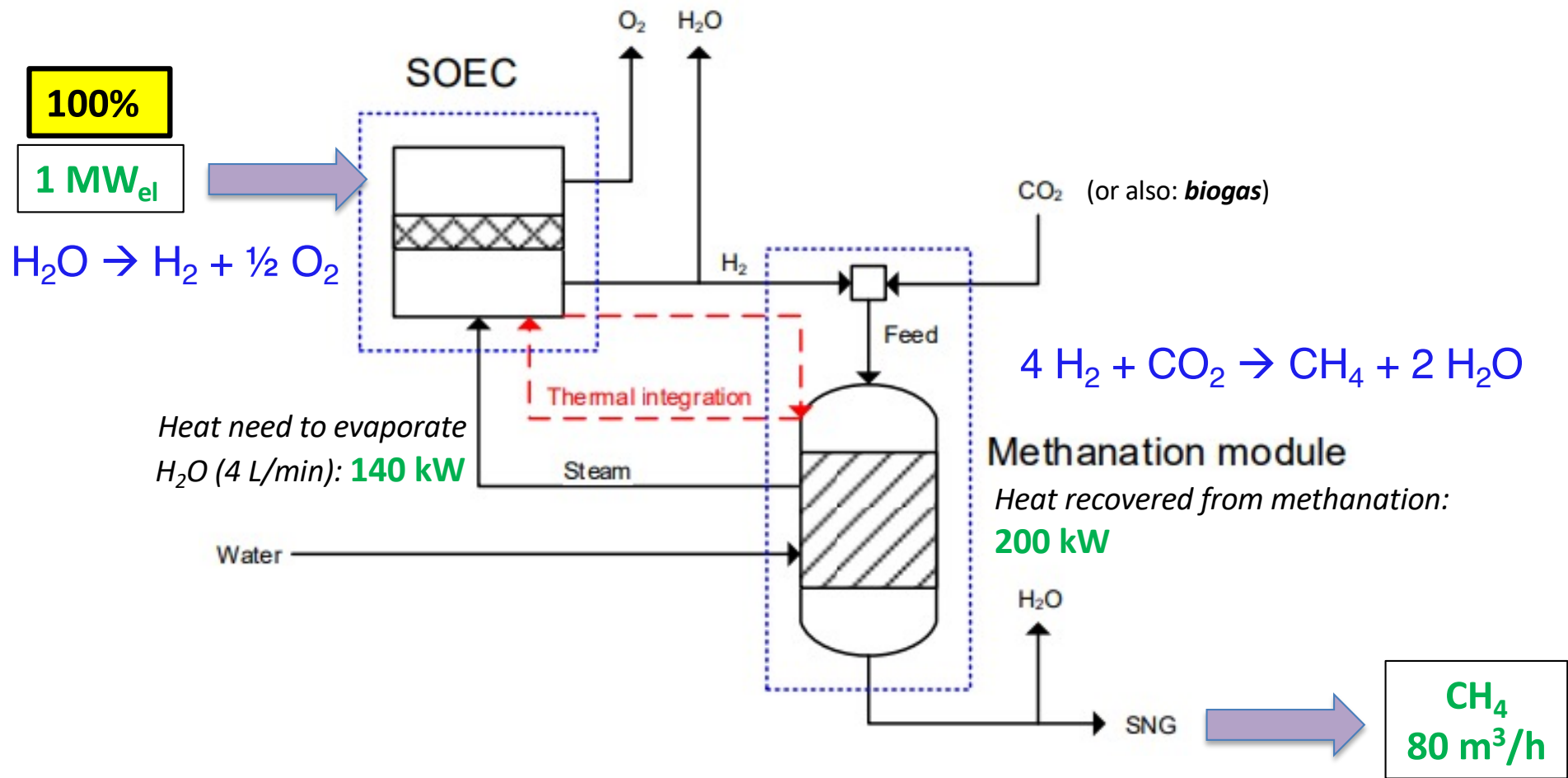


- syngas is upgradable to CH₄ (→ gas grid), as well as to MeOH, or liquid synfuels

- **no need for extra step** of $H_2 + CO_2 \Leftrightarrow H_2O + CO$
- operation at higher temperature confers:
 - more favorable thermodynamics
 - more favorable kinetics

→ hence less electrical input

SOE (Solid Oxide Electrolysis) based Power-to-CH₄



❑ Direct steam generation with the exothermal methanator

80%

Solid-oxide system development & manufacturers

SUNFIRE
POWERCORE



150 kWe SOEC
82 % LHV
40 Nm³/h H₂

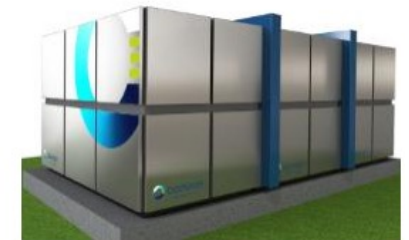
Convion C50
50kW, NG, Biogas

Validation 2015

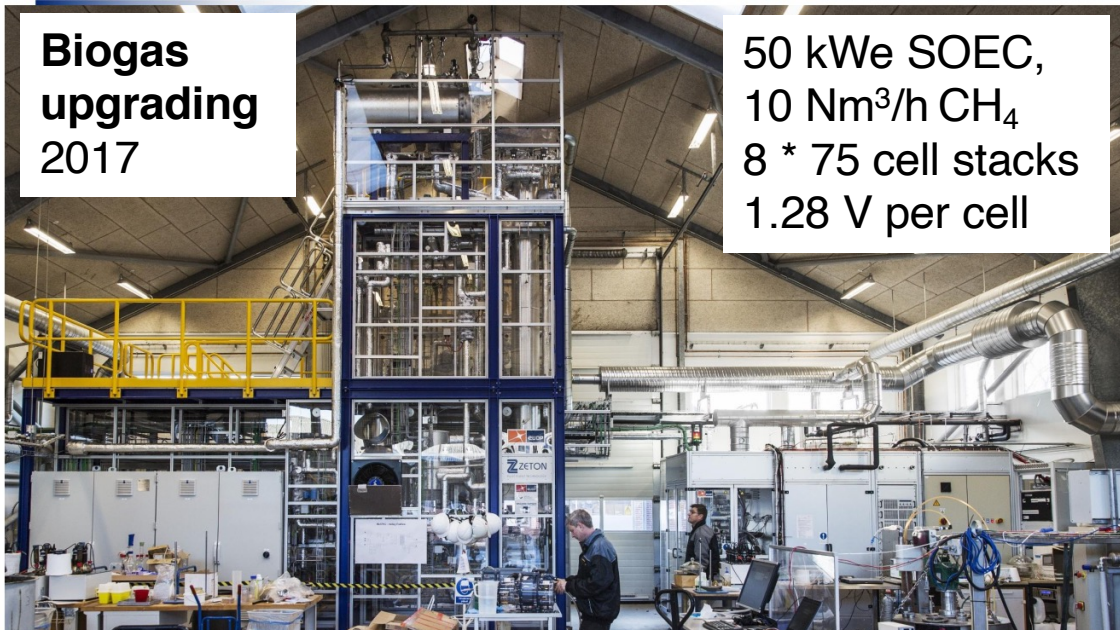


CONVION SOFC

X00 concept
175 kWe, Biogas
 $\eta_e > 53\%$
2016



**Biogas
upgrading
2017**



50 kWe SOEC,
10 Nm³/h CH₄
8 * 75 cell stacks
1.28 V per cell

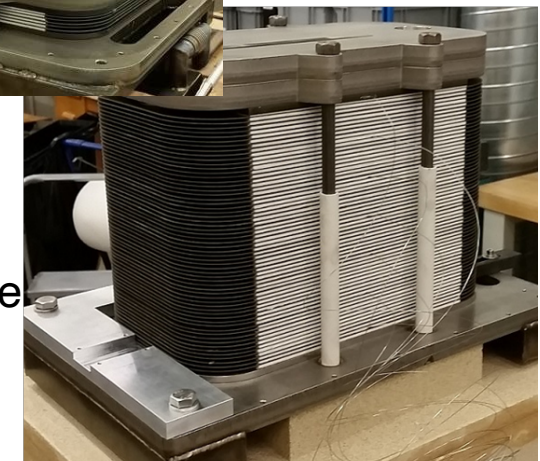
SOLIDPower 5-kW SOFC stack



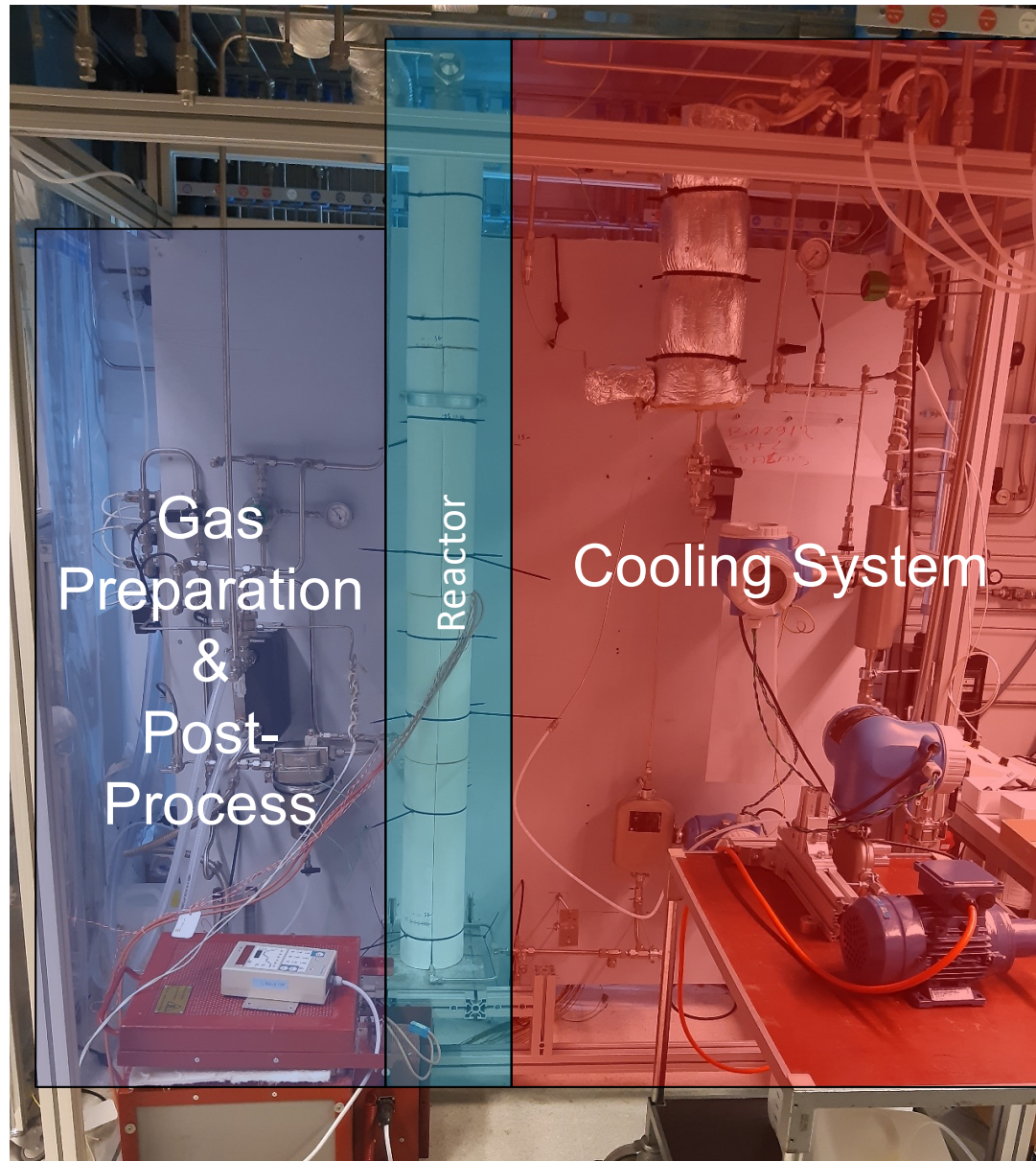
Electrolysis

2019: 20 kWe

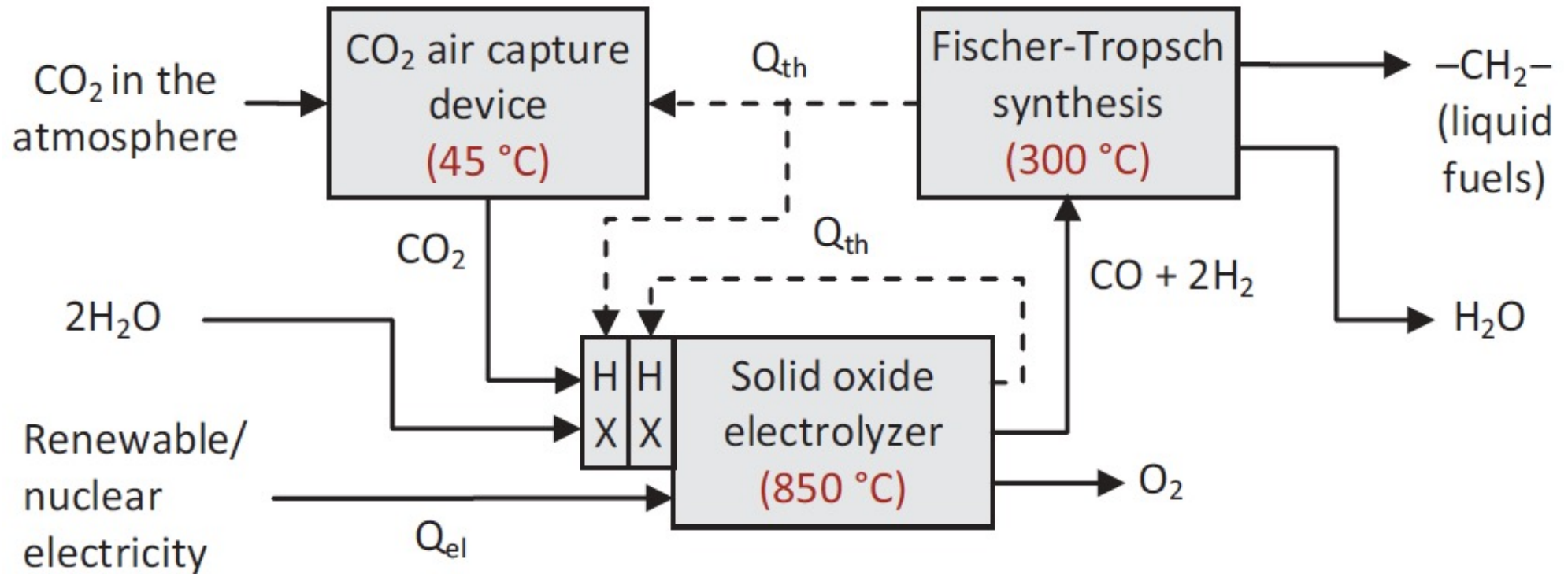
2020: 100 kWe



10 kW_{th} methanator set-up at EPFL-GEM



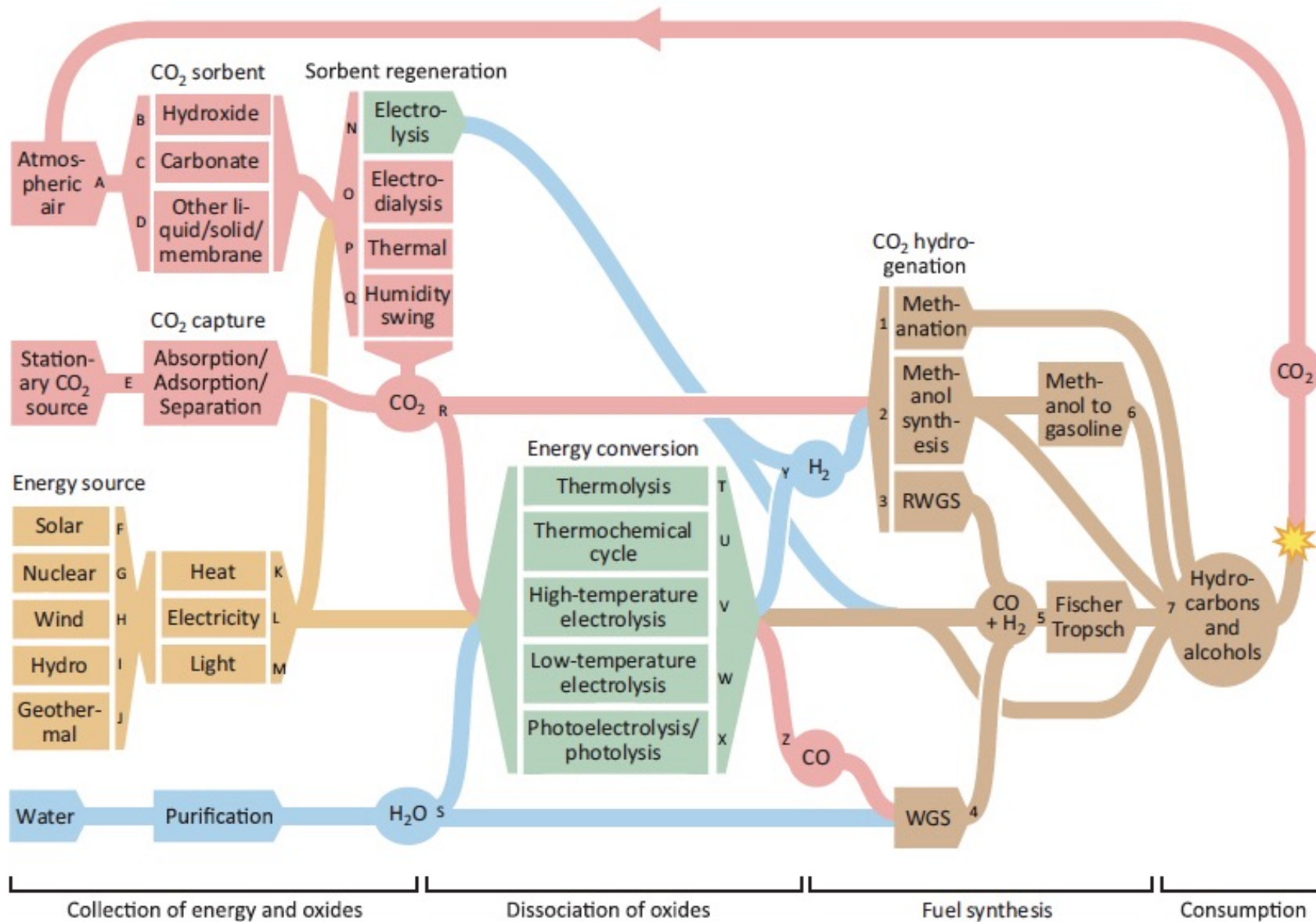
Other downstream thermal process integration example



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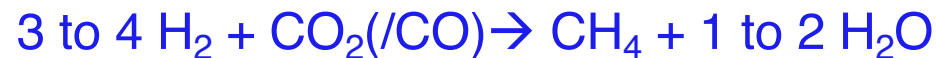
CO₂-to-fuel pathways: general overview

C. Graves et al./Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews 15 (2011) 1–23



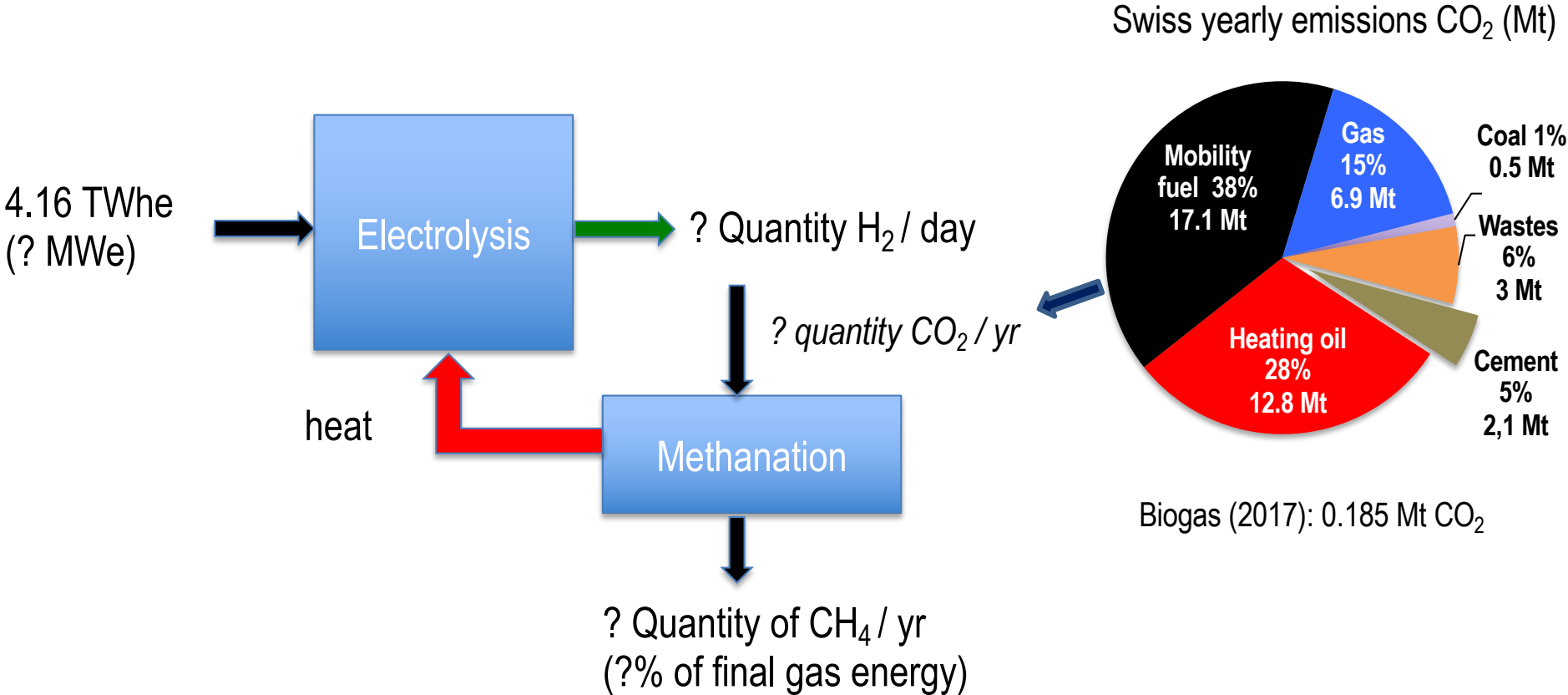
Swiss context (gas industry)

- **Power-to-methane** conversion for storage of renewable electricity
- High **efficiency** electrolysis of steam (H₂O) to H₂
(>90%, vs. 50-60% for water electrolysis)
- Steam is generated by recovering heat from the downstream exothermal **methanation** process



- The integrated process steam electrolysis + methanation can reach **80%** energy **efficiency** from electrical power → to renewable methane CH₄
- The **CO₂ utilisation** can stem from air capture + separation, or from concentrated CO₂ streams, e.g. **biogas**, combustion (wood/waste),...
- « 30% renewable gas in the Swiss gas grid by 2030 » (10.5 TWh):
 - upgrading current Swiss biogas production to bio-methane via SOE can reach **≈20%** of this target (2.3 TWh)
 - upgrading future potential Swiss biogas production to bio-methane via SOE can reach **100%** of this target (10.9 TWh); this would require **≈800** electrolysers of 1 MW_{el} (800 MWe). This is of the same order as current hydro-pumping storage.

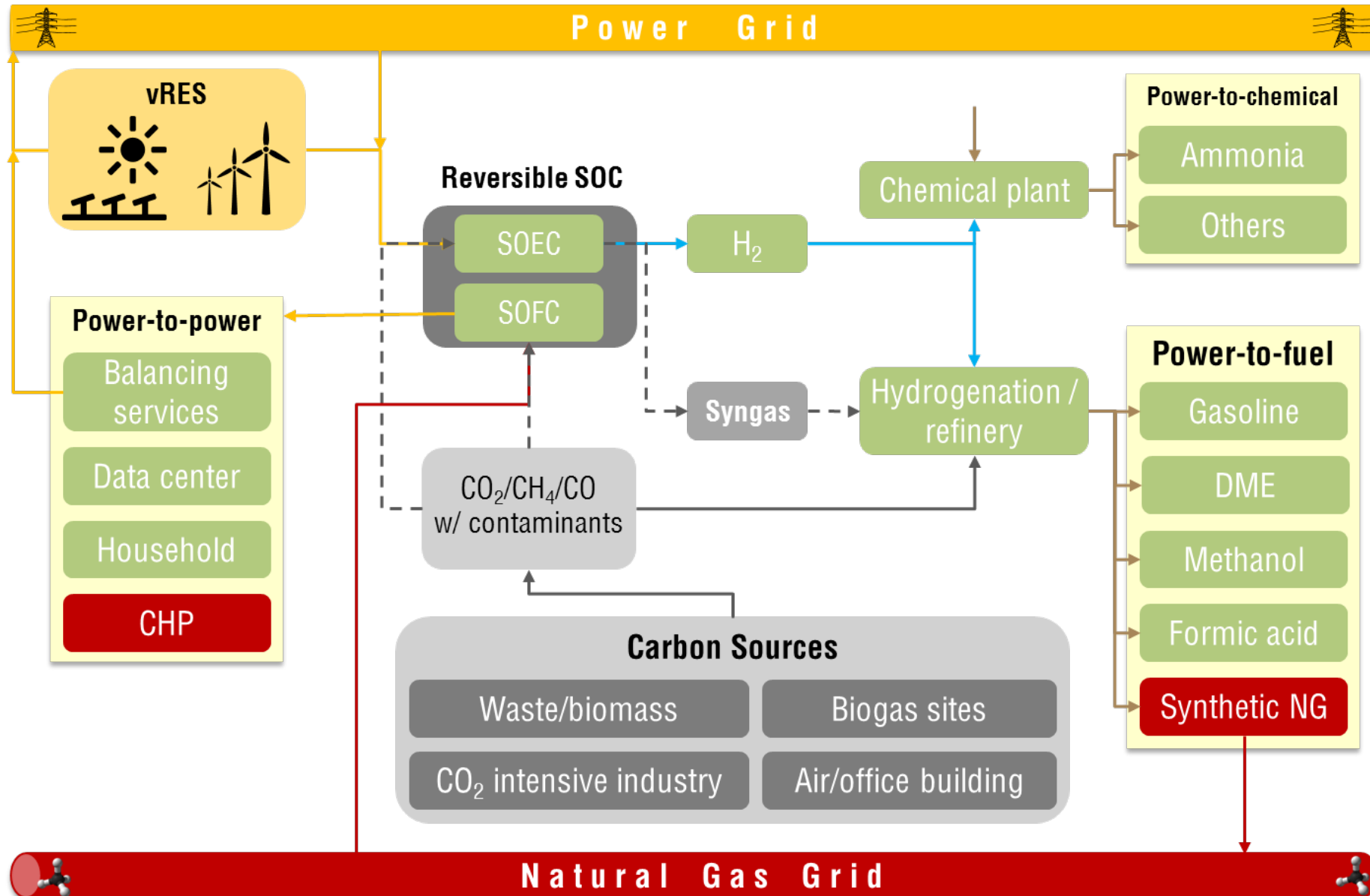
Exercise: P2G instead of hydro-pumping (CH – 2017 data)



Objective « 30/30 » of Swiss gas industry: 30% of renewable gas in the grid by 2030

Vision

(figure: Dr Ligang Wang)



Electrolyser sizes (1-100 MW)

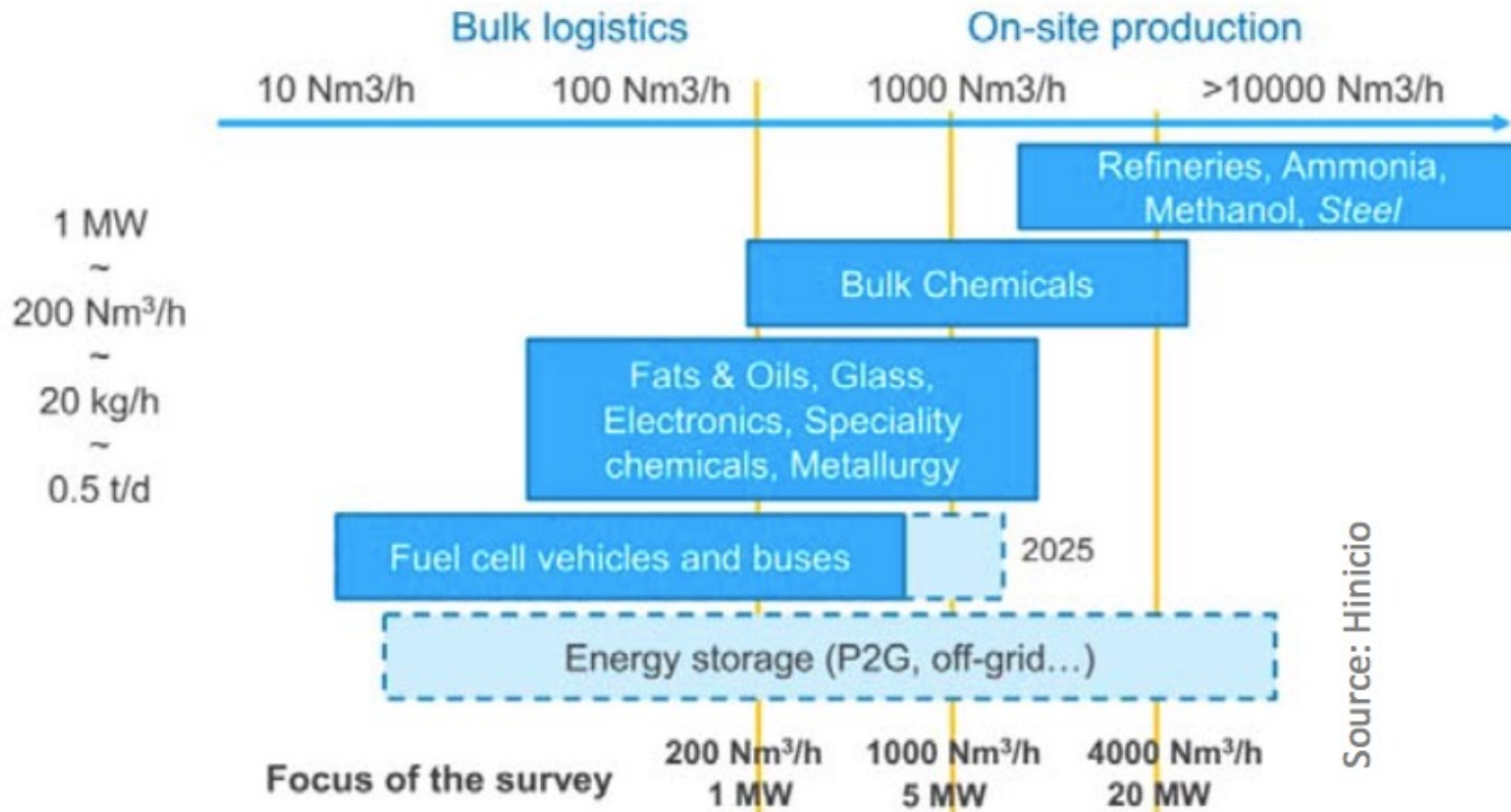


Figure 108: Selection of electrolyser size

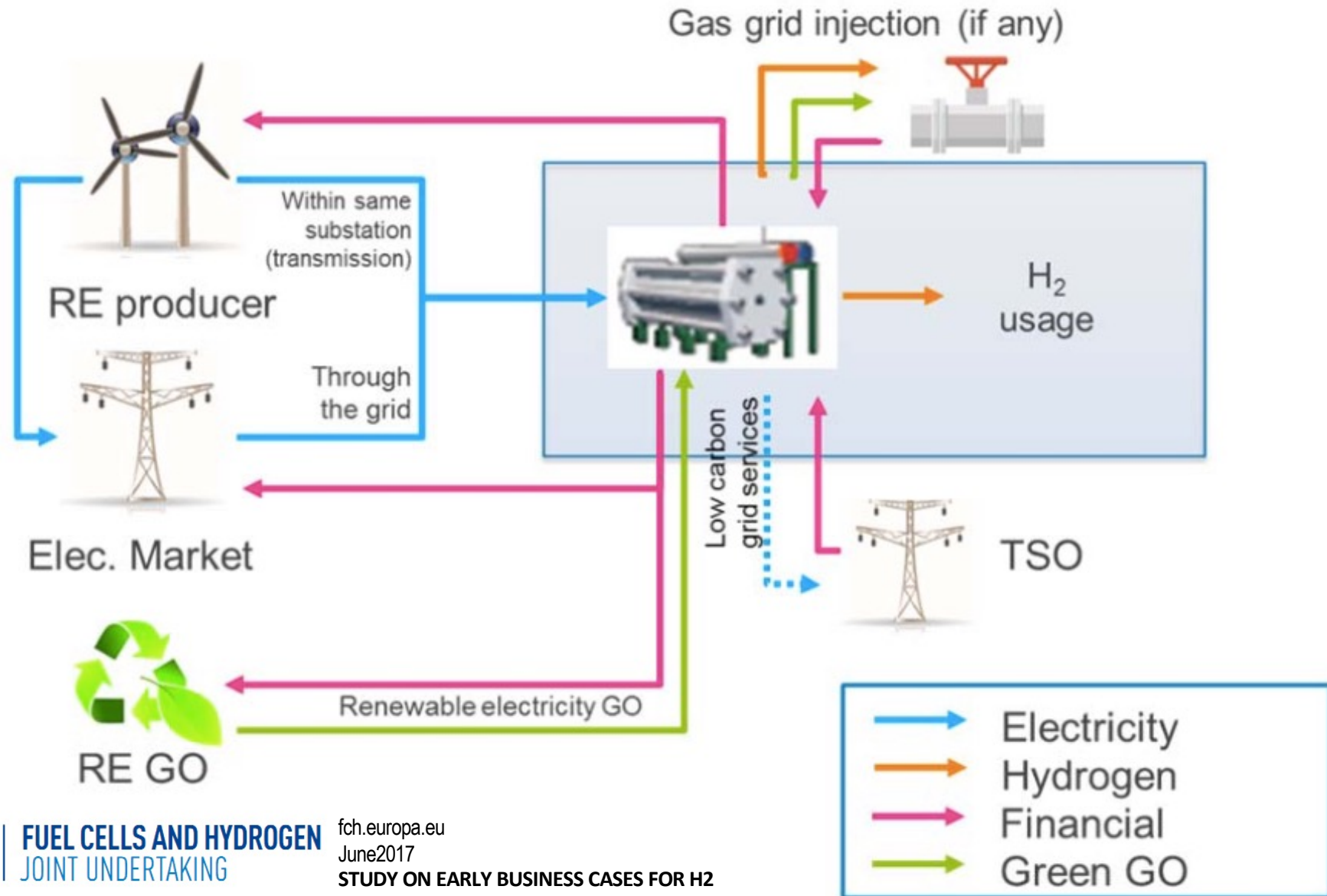


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Electrolyser business models



Storage of hydrogen

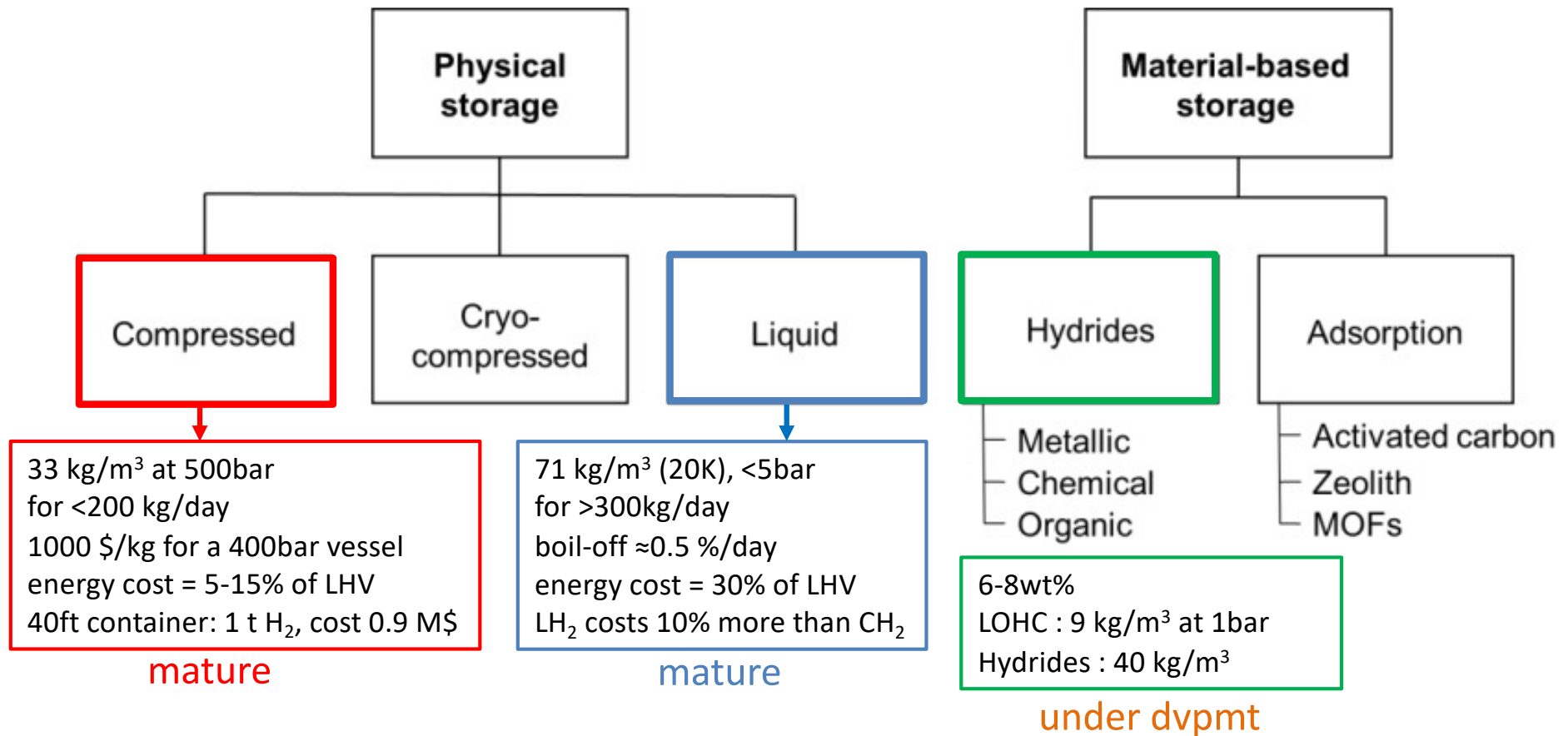
- as **compressed** gas
- as **liquified** gas
- as metal **hydride**
 - **physically** bound (absorbed, H₂ interstitial)
 - **chemically** bound (NaH, NaBH₄)
- as LHOC (liquid hydrogen organic carrier)
 - e.g. formic acid (H₂+CO₂=>HCOOH), formate

H₂ vs. hydrocarbons: properties

	H ₂	Natural gas (CH ₄)	Gasoline
Boiling point	-252.7 °C	-160°C	40-200°C
Melting point	-259 °C	-182°C	-40°C
Gas density	0.089 kg/m ³	0.707 kg /m ³	4 kg /m ³
Liquid density	0.071 kg/L	0.41-0.5 kg/L	0.72-0.78 kg/L
Lower HV	120.2 MJ/kg, 8.6 MJ/L as liquid	47 MJ/kg 21 MJ/L as liquid	42 MJ/kg
Higher HV	142 MJ/kg, 12.7 MJ/m ³ 10.1 MJ/L as liquid	53 MJ/kg, 40 MJ/m ³ 24 MJ/L as liquid	46 MJ/kg 36 MJ/L
Autoignition	585°C	632°C	220°C
Flammability in air	4-75%	5-15%	1-7.6%
Flame temperature	2045°C	1875°C	2200°C

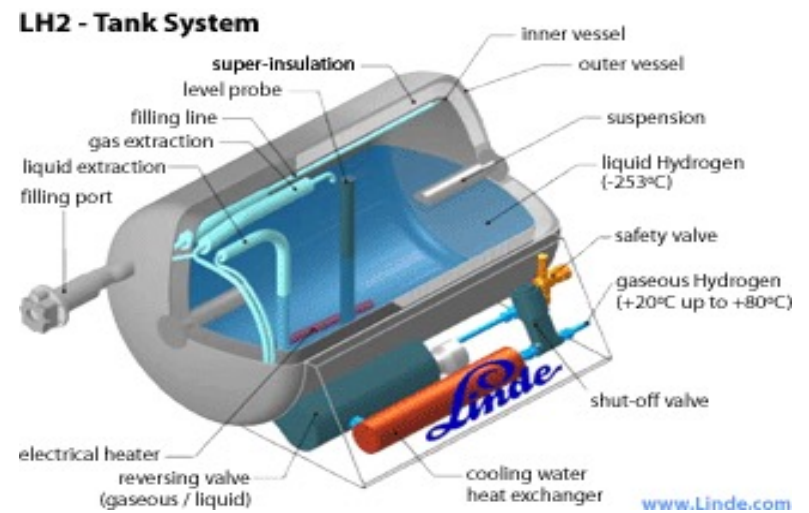
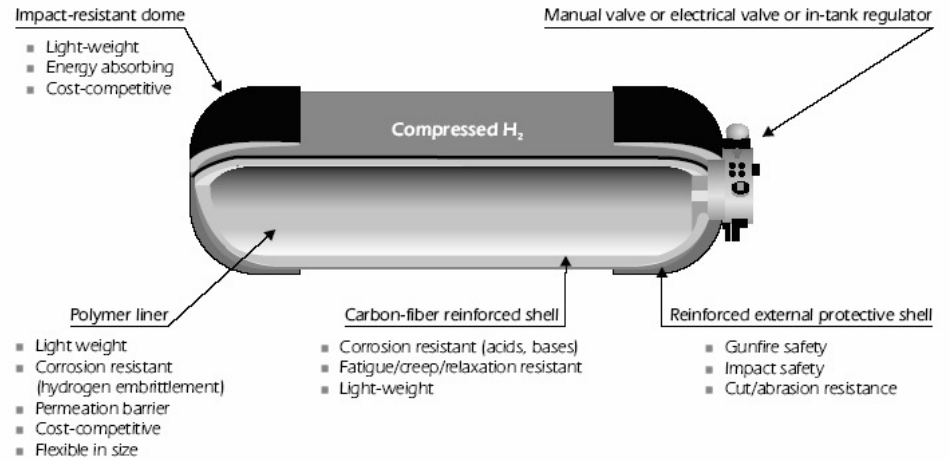
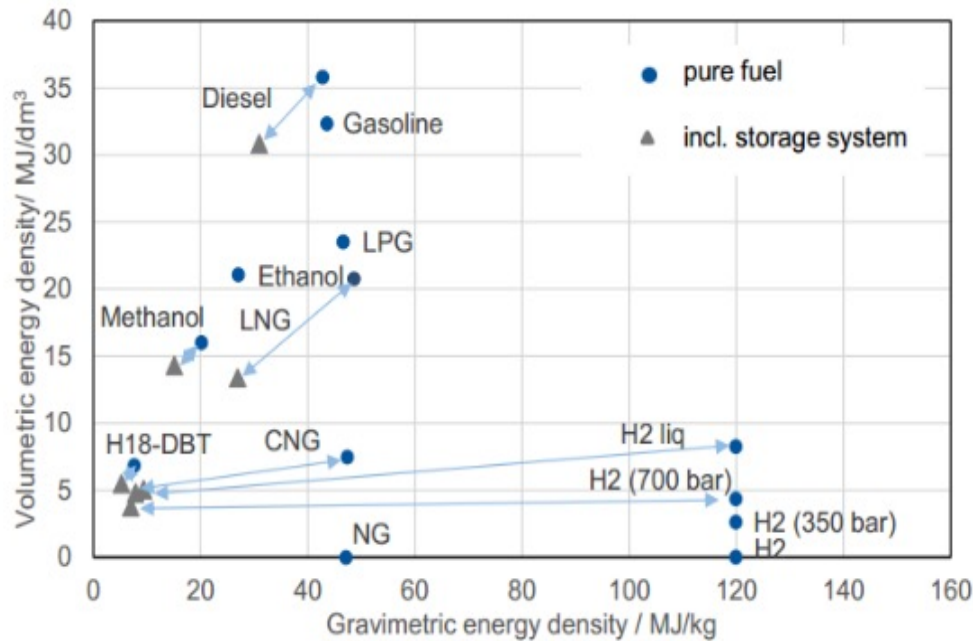
H₂ storage

(figure: Leonardo Gant)



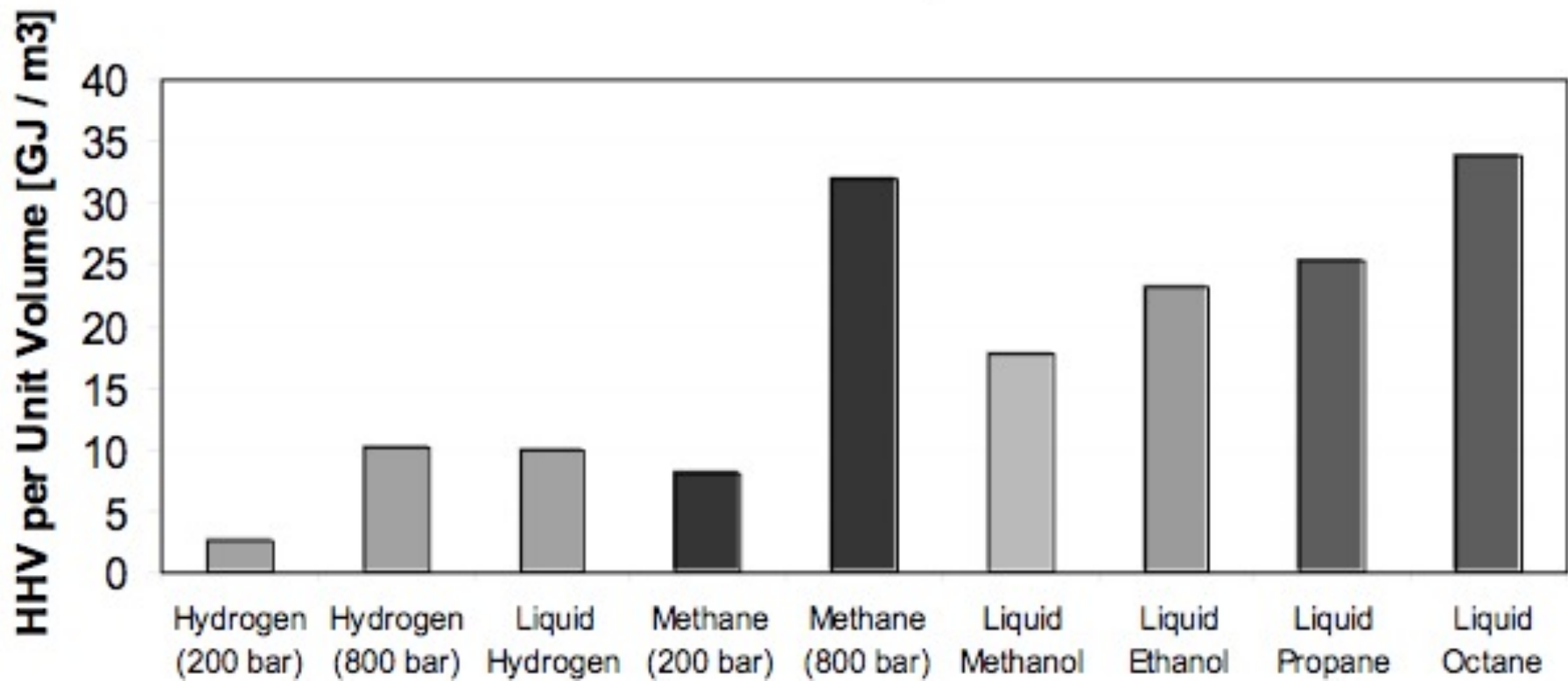
H₂ storage

1. CH₂
2. LH₂
3. Pipelines
4. Other methods



(figures: Leonardo Gant)

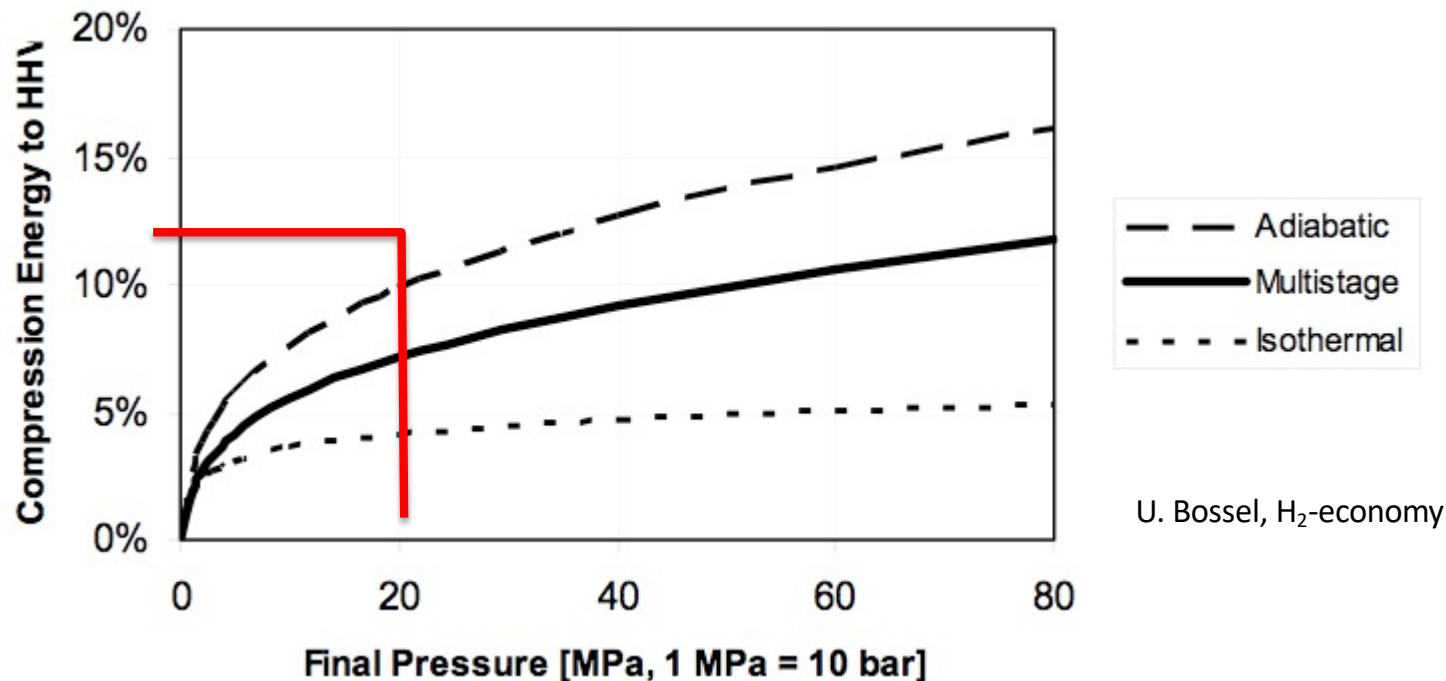
HHV by volume



U. Bossel, H₂-economy

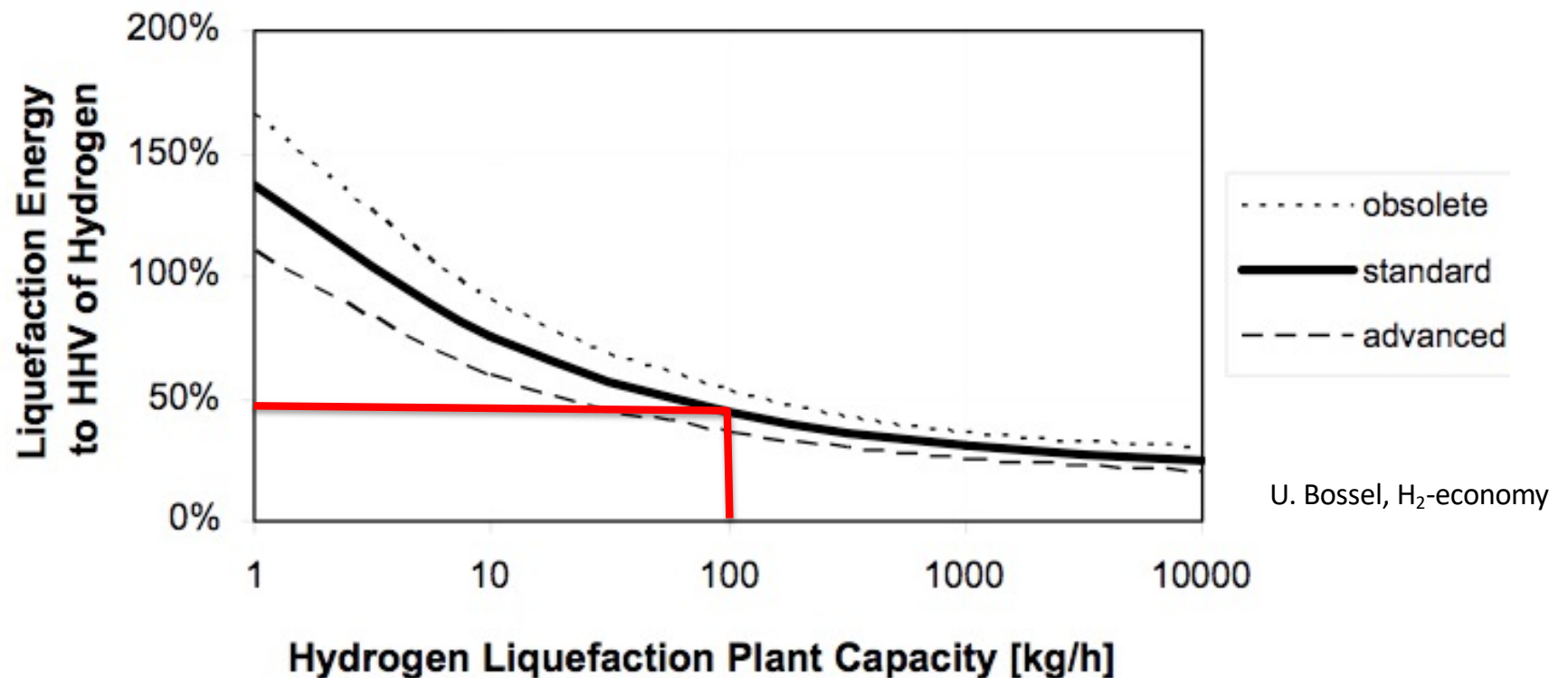
Compressed gas energy cost

- ideal isothermal : $\text{work}_{id} \text{ (J/kg)} = p_0 V_0 \ln(p_1/p_0)$
- adiabatic : $\text{work}_{ad} = (\gamma/\gamma-1) p_0 V_0 ((p_1/p_0)^{(\gamma-1)/\gamma}-1)$
 V_0 initial volume(m^3/kg) (11.11 m^3/kg for H_2 , 1.39 m^3/kg for CH_4)
 p_0 initial pressure, p_1 final pressure, $\gamma = C_p/C_v$ (1.41 for H_2 , 1.31 for CH_4)
- @200 bar (W_{ad}): for CH_4 2 MJ/kg, for H_2 **14 MJ/kg**



H₂ liquefaction

298 K → 20 K	MJ need per kg liquid H ₂	Reference
theoretical requirement	14.2 (10% of HHV)	Carnot
usual scale	54	182 kg / h, Linde plant (D)
large scale	36	2000 kg / h, USA
ultimate scale	30-25	12000 kg/h, study case



Metal hydride storage (*physically absorbed*)

- LaNi_5 , ZrC_2 dissolve H_2 in their crystal structure, under pressure and with heat release
 - equivalent to compression at 30 bar
 - storage of 55-60 g H_2 /L (cf. $\text{LH}_2 = 70$ g/L)
 - hydride density = 7 kg/L
- therefore, only 1 kg of H_2 (=1 gallon or 4 L of gasoline) is stored in >100 kg of hydride!
- impossible mobile storage for vehicles

Metal hydride storage (*chemically bound*)

- LiH, NaH, CaH₂, LiBH₄, NaBH₄, LiAlH₄
- fabrication: $\text{NaCl} + \frac{1}{2}\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NaH} + \frac{1}{2}\text{Cl}_2 + \frac{1}{4}\text{O}_2$
500kJ/mol at high T; then cooled, granulated, packed sealed
- release by hydrolysis: $\text{NaH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NaOH} + \text{H}_2$ -
85kJ/mol
- in fact, water is the H₂ source
- high energy density (comparable to wood)
- 60% efficiency

Comparison H₂ storage (Linde AG)

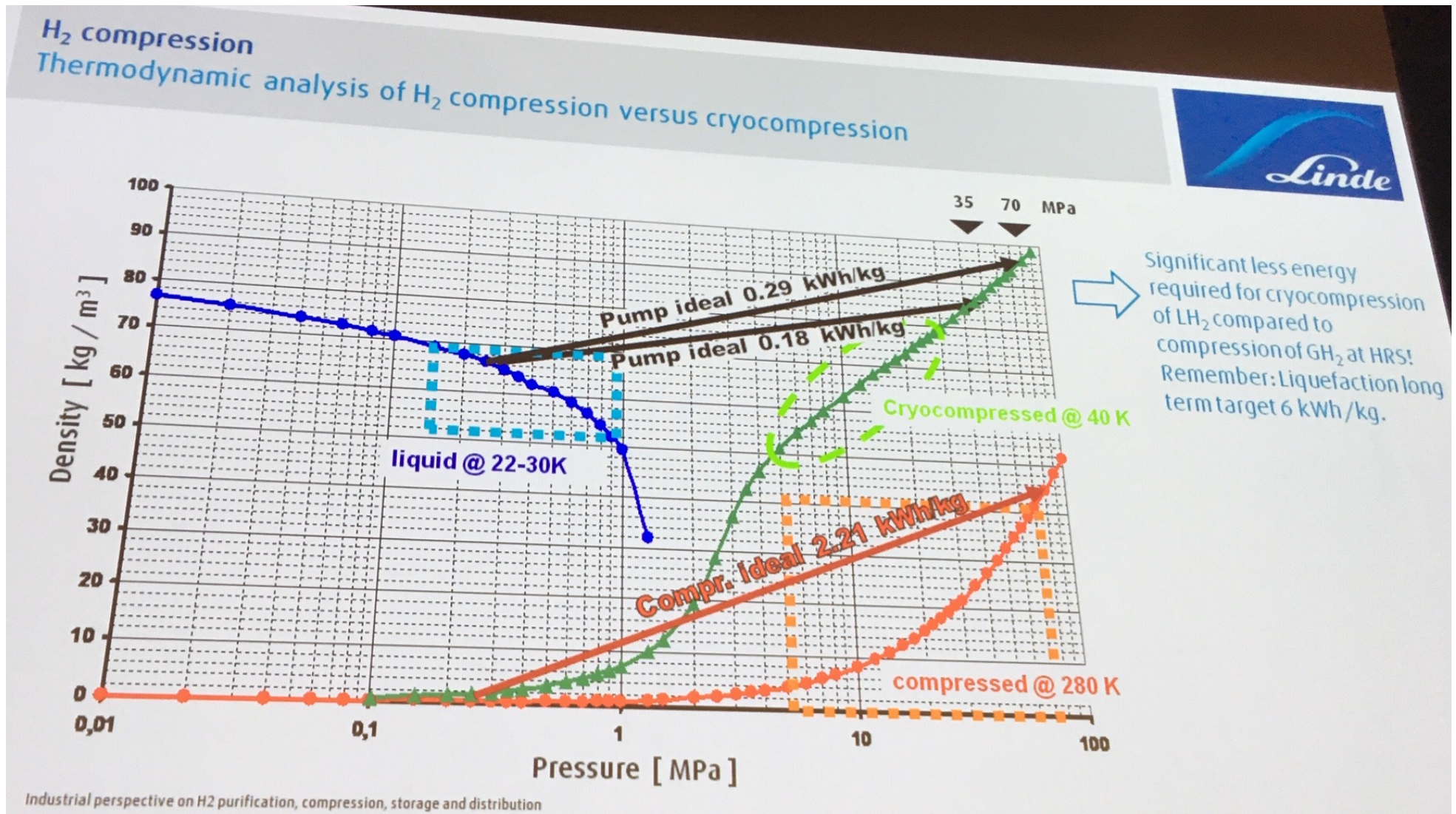
	c-H ₂ (g)	LH ₂	LOHC	MOFS	M-hydride	Complex hydrides	Salt hydrides
ρ (kg /m ³)	50bar: 4 700bar:36	71	57	material- dependent	material- dependent	material- dependent	material- dependent
wt% stored	100	100	6.2	5-9 (cryo) 0.5-1 (amb.)	1.4-2 (LaNi ₅ ,AB ₂)	5.6 (NaAlH ₄)	7.7 (MgH ₂)
T	20°C	-253°C	150-200C ads 300C desorp.	-176°C ads. Des.:vacuum	0-30°C	70-170C ads. (20-150 bar) 100-200C des. (1bar)	250-300C ads. (10-15 bar) 300-350C des. (1bar)
Storage time	unlimited	limited (boil-off)					
Compression as % LHV	6%	22-34%	49% (if no heat avail.)	18% (if no heat avail.)		55% (if no heat avail.)	
Status	commercial	commercial	emerging	R&D		R&D	
Challenge	transport limited (low ρ)	boil-off	purity, stability weight	T_adsorpt P_desorb weight		T ads/des. P_desorb weight	
TRL	9	9	4	3	7	3-4	3-4

H₂ compression overview (Linde AG)

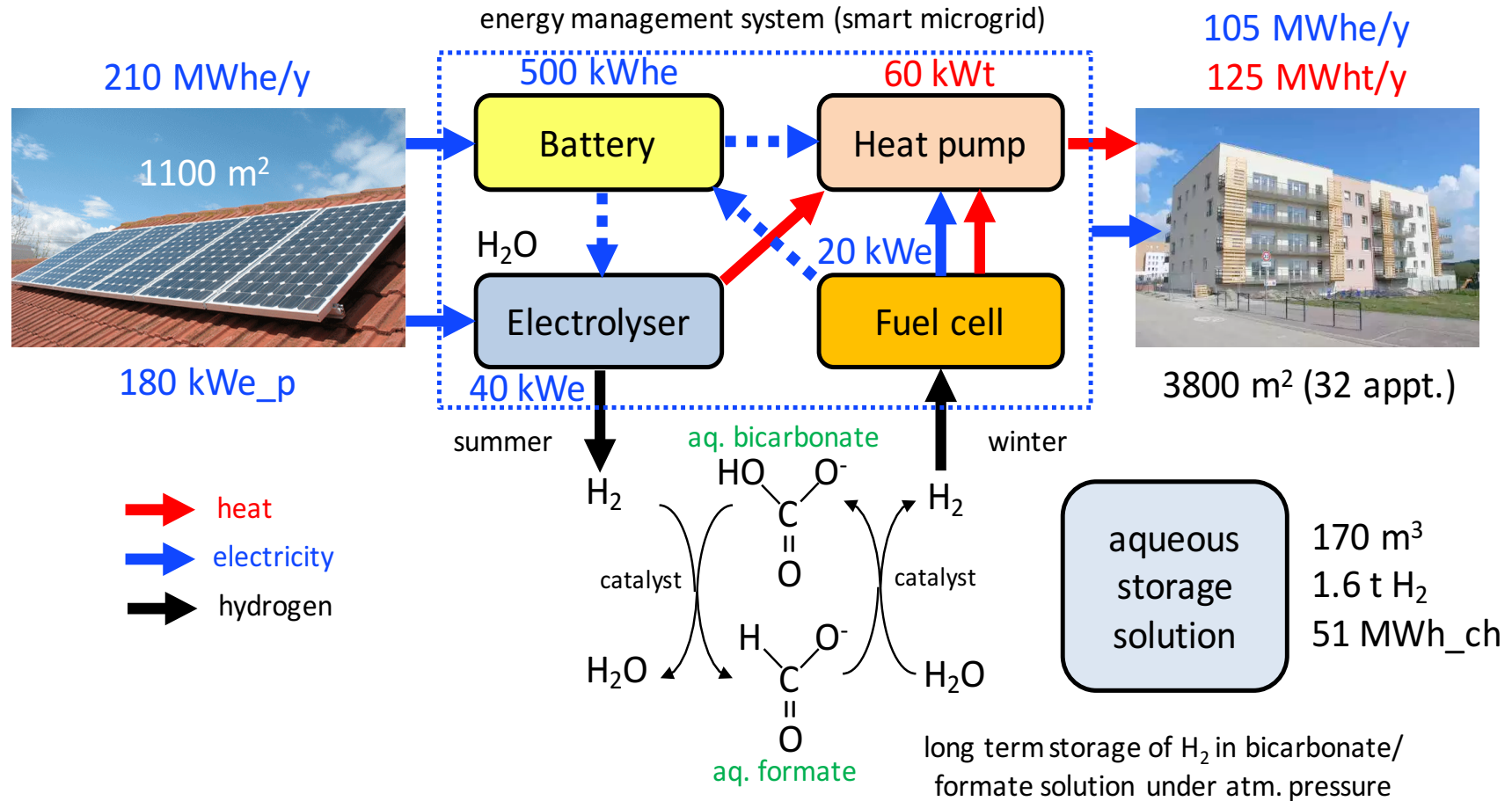
	Piston	Membrane	Screw	Electro-chemical	Metal-hydride	Ionic compressor	Turbo-compressor
Scale Nm ³ /h	10 - 115000	1 - 4000	200 - 100000	5 - 280	1 - 12	750	>1000
Max P (bar)	1300	3000	55	950	250	1000	<50
TRL (H ₂)	9	9	commercial	7	5-6	8	low
Advant.	availability	availability no contamination	availability low maintenance	no moving parts low OPEX	thermal no contamin. no mov. parts	efficiency no contamination	availability low mainten. high vol. flow
Disadvant.	contamination maintenance	lim. suction maintenance	contamination H ₂ backflow	low vol. flow R&D	low vol. flow R&D	maintenance	Δp depends on mol weight

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New: Cryocompression (Linde AG)



Seasonal H₂ storage via formate cycle



Hydrogen **Distribution**

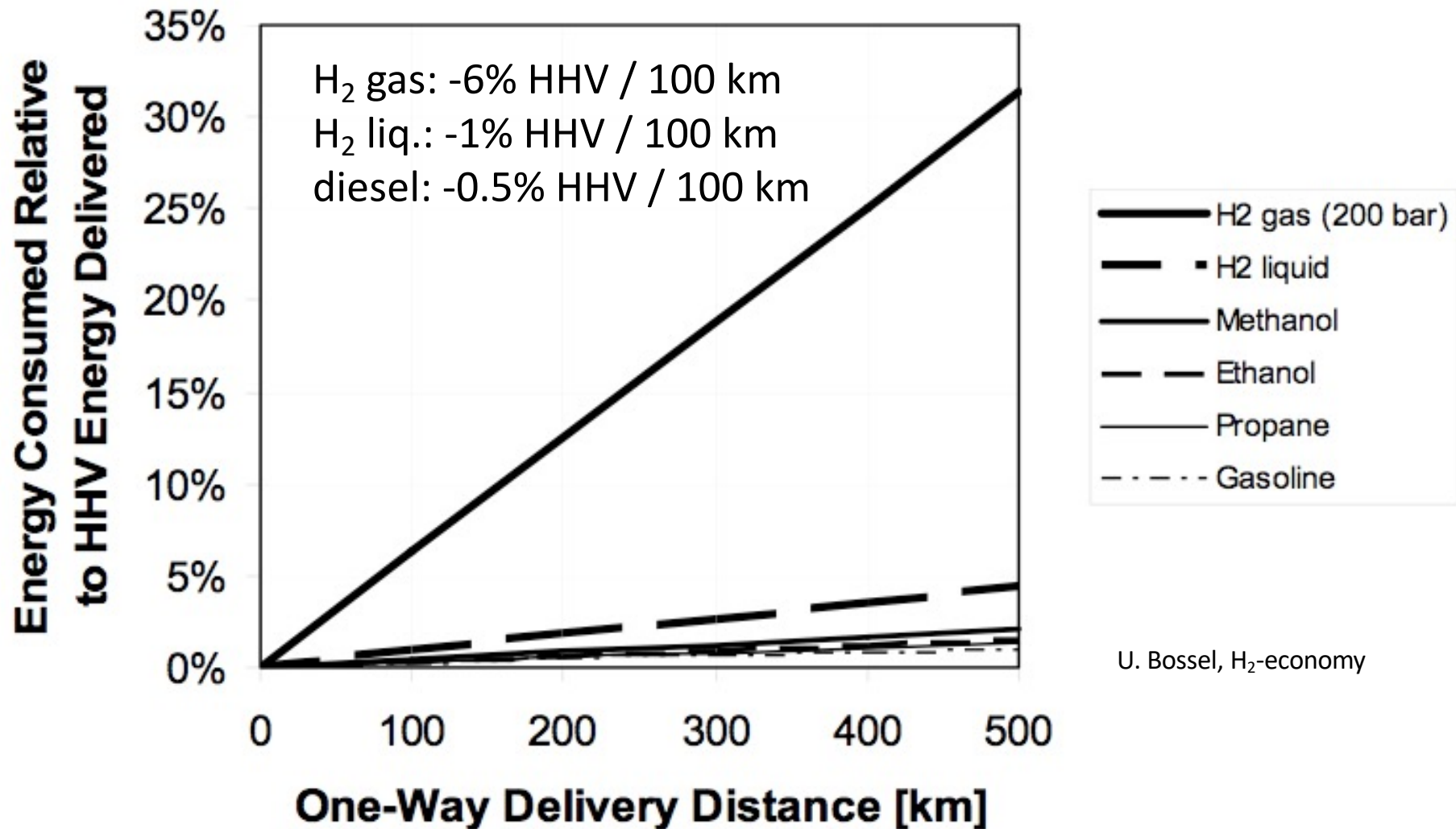
1. by road (delivery trucks)
2. by pipeline
3. by on-site generation (electrolysis) at filling station

H₂ distribution – vehicles (Linde AG)

Vehicle	H ₂ kg/day	Number of vehicles supplied			
		cH ₂ (g) truck	LH ₂ truck	LH ₂ plant 5 tpd	LH ₂ plant 50 tpd
car	0.4	2500	8750	12500	125000
bus	30	33	117	167	1667
truck	100	10	35	50	500
train	250	4	14	20	200
ship	2000	0.5	1.75	2.5	25
large ship	10000	0.1	0.35	0.5	5

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1. By road transport



U. Bossel, H₂-economy

2. Onsite electrolysis => exercise

- Q: How big an electrolyser is needed to produce the daily amount of H₂ for a filling station (HRS), under the following assumptions?:
 - 1000 cars/day, equivalent of 50 L gasoline/car (LHV_gasoline: 33MJ/L)
 - car average consumption : 7L/100km
 - a FCEV consumes 1 kg H₂/100km (HHV_H₂ : 142 MJ/kg)
 - electrolyser efficiency 78% HHV
 - compression energy needed to 400 bar
 - the electrolyser operates 50% of the time

3. By pipeline

- NG pipelines are not fully compatible for H₂ use (diffusion loss, brittleness, compressor,...)
- energy carried: $Q(W) = V(m^3/s) \cdot \rho(kg/m^3) \cdot HHV(MJ/kg) =$
section $A (m^2) \cdot$ flow $f(m/s) \cdot \rho(kg/m^3) \cdot HHV(MJ/kg)$
- with $\rho_{CH_4}=0.71$ vs $\rho_{H_2}=0.09$, and $HHV_{H_2}=142$ vs $HHV_{CH_4}=53$,
the H₂-velocity has to be 3.1 times higher
- pumping power $P(W)=A \cdot f \cdot \Delta p = A \cdot f \cdot \frac{1}{2}(L/D) \rho f^2 \zeta$
- ratio $P_{H_2}/P_{CH_4} = (\rho_{H_2}/\rho_{CH_4}) \cdot (f_{H_2}/f_{CH_4})^3 = (0.09/0.71) \cdot (3.1)^3 = 3.85$
- $f_{CH_4}=10m/s$, one compressor every 150 km consumes ca.
0.3% of the passing energy stream
→ for H₂, ca. $0.3\% \cdot 3.85 = 1.16\%$

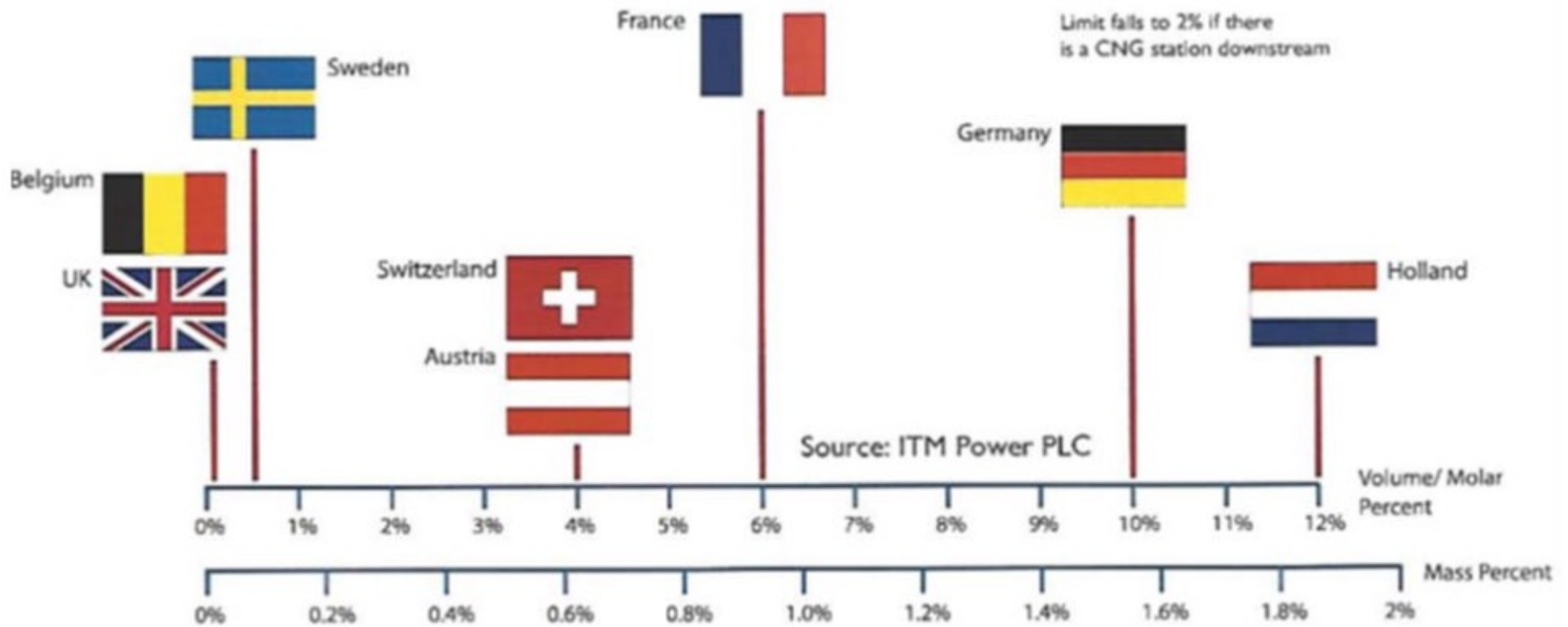


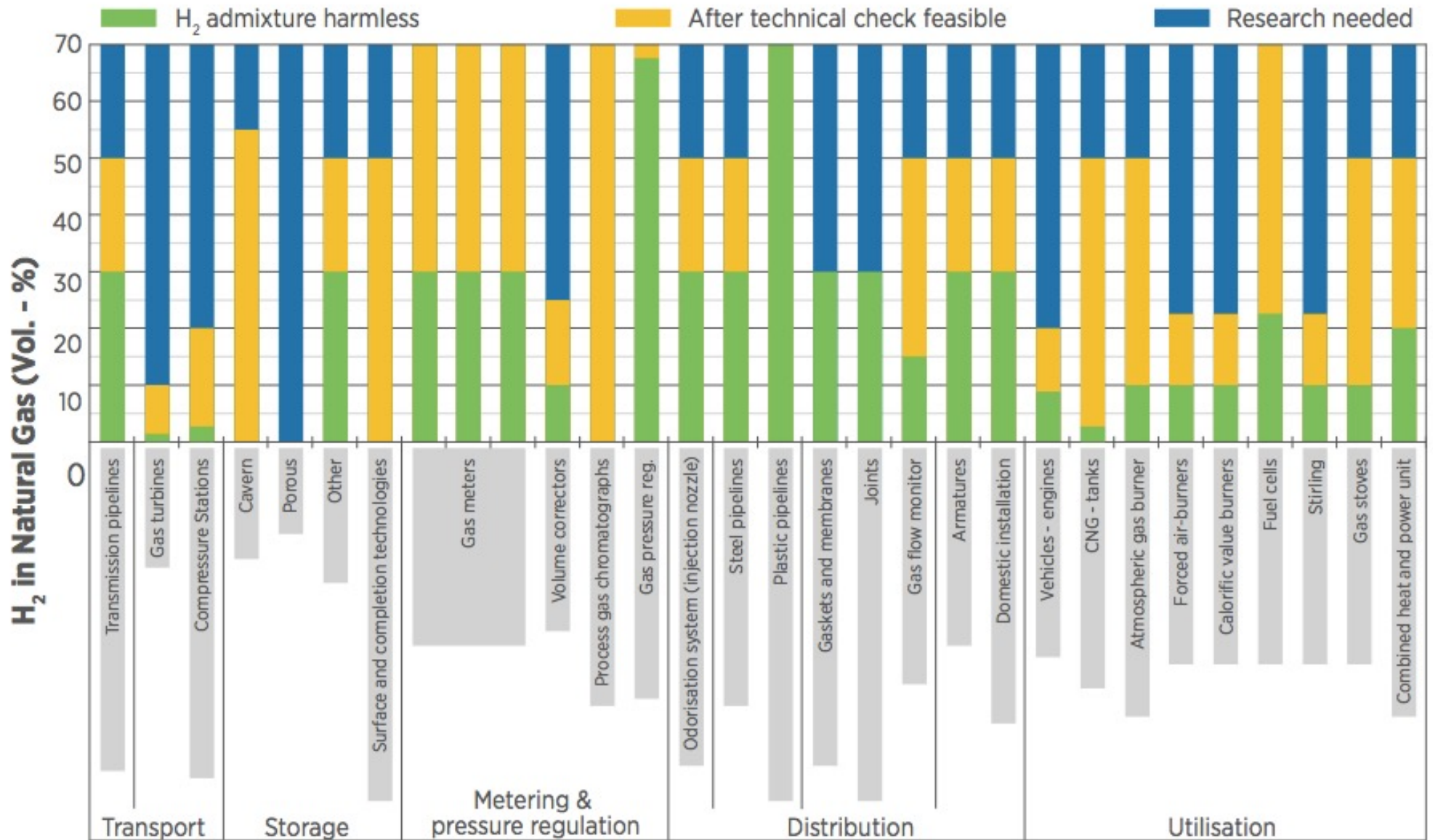
Figure 34: Hydrogen injection limit in national gas networks [71]



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Figure 16: Hydrogen tolerance of gas infrastructure components



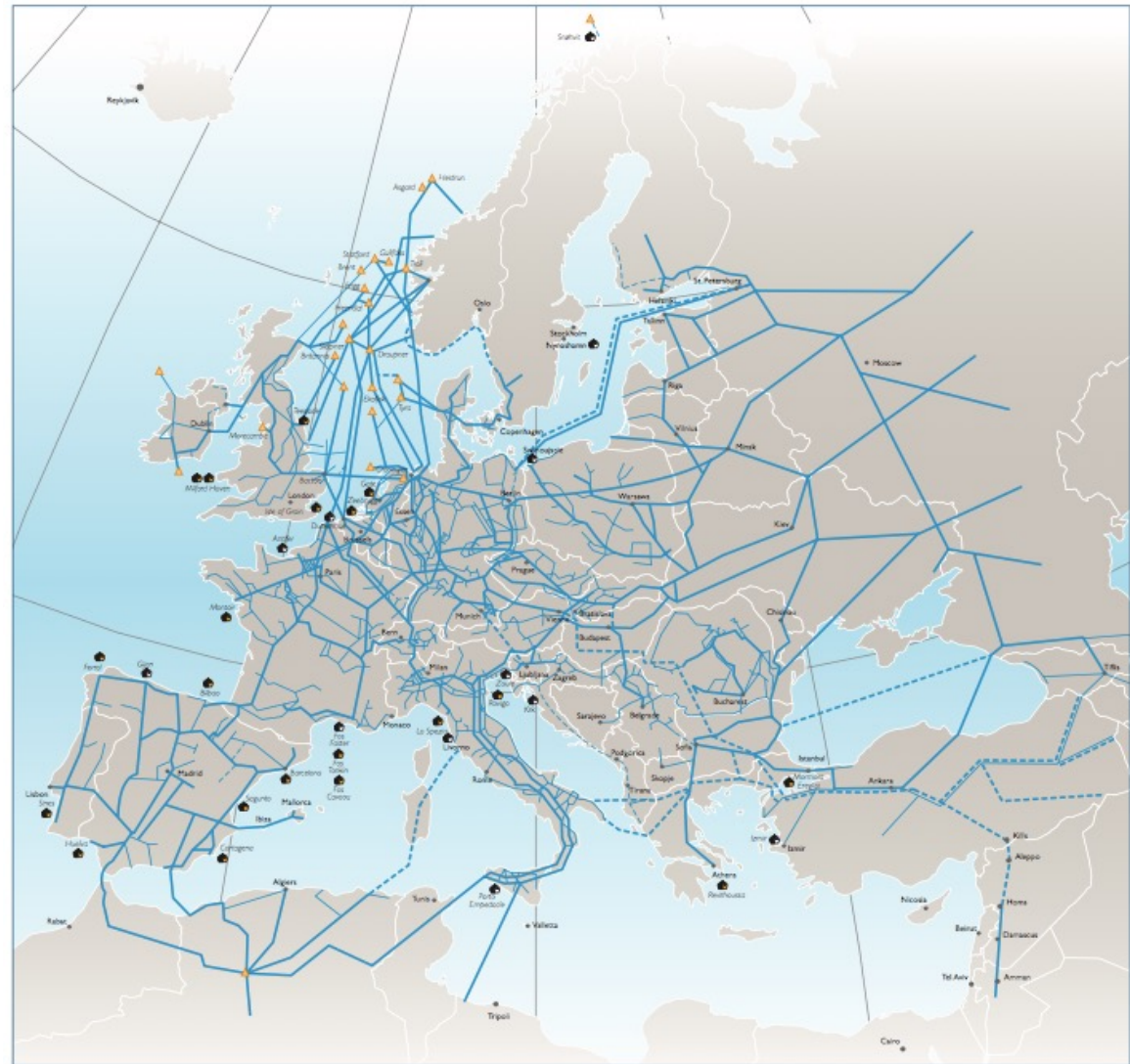
European Gas network

Vested infrastructure
42% of buildings heated by NG
112 million households

Consumption: 5375 TWh
(23% of energy)

Storage: 1200 TWh

= large reserve for injection of
H₂ (and green methane)



Eurogas Statistical Report 2018

Green Hydrogen for a European Green Deal : 2x40 GW Initiative (January 2020, FCHJU)

- H₂ transport by pipeline (15-30 GW) is 10-20x cheaper than electricity transport by cable (1-2 GW); a pipeline adds only 0.2€/kgH₂ to the cost
- Capacity of the gas grid is >10x larger than of the electricity grid
 - e.g. NG pipeline Libya-Algeria-Italy-Spain = 60 GW
 - e.g. electricity line Morocco-Spain = 0.7 GW
- Natural gas is stored in large quantities in empty gas fields, porous rock formations and salt caverns (200bar). About 15-20% of the total gas consumption is stored to balance gas production and consumption
- 40 GWe H₂ in EU 2030 = 4.4 MtH₂ = 173 TWh
- Additional 100-150GWe in PV/wind are expected

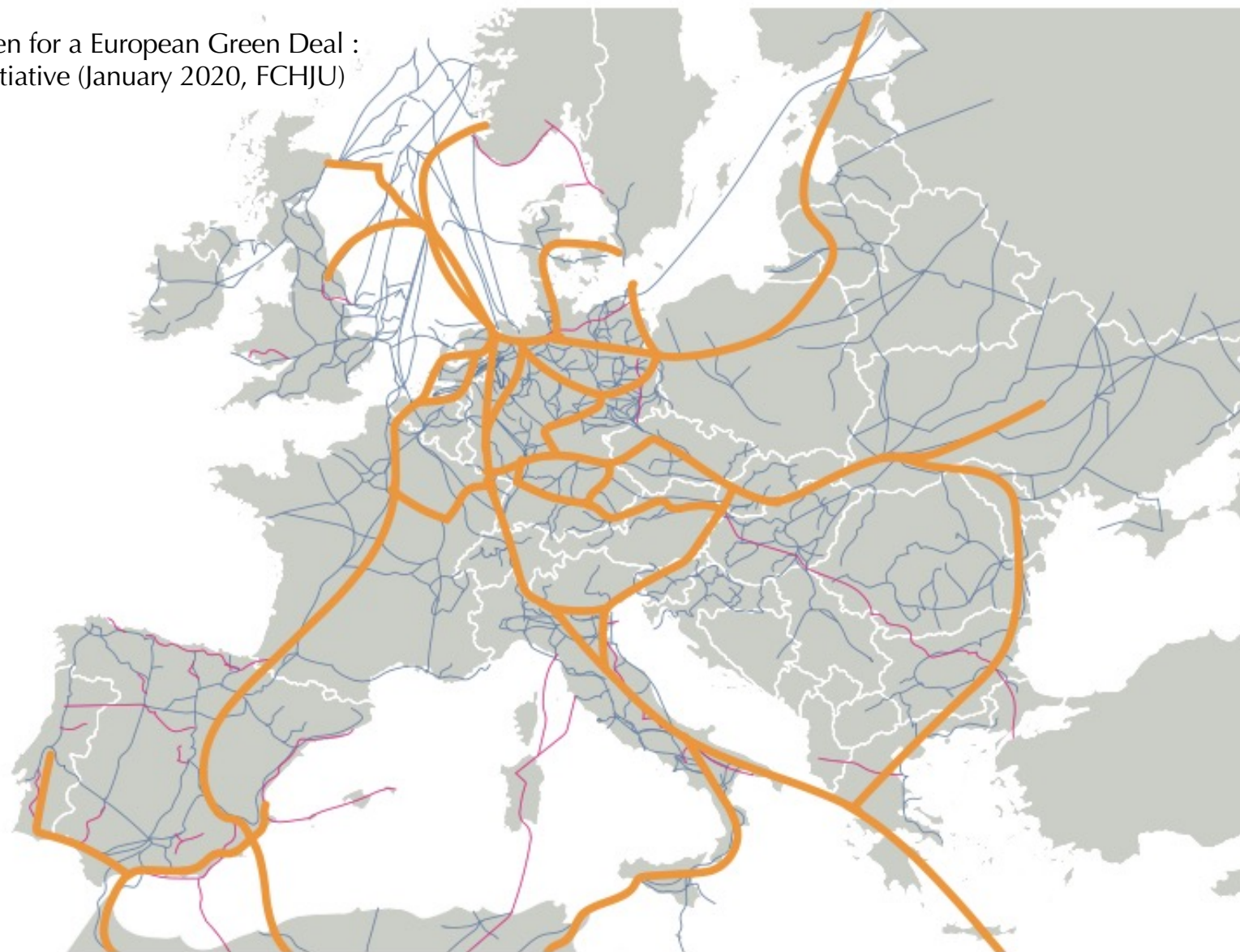
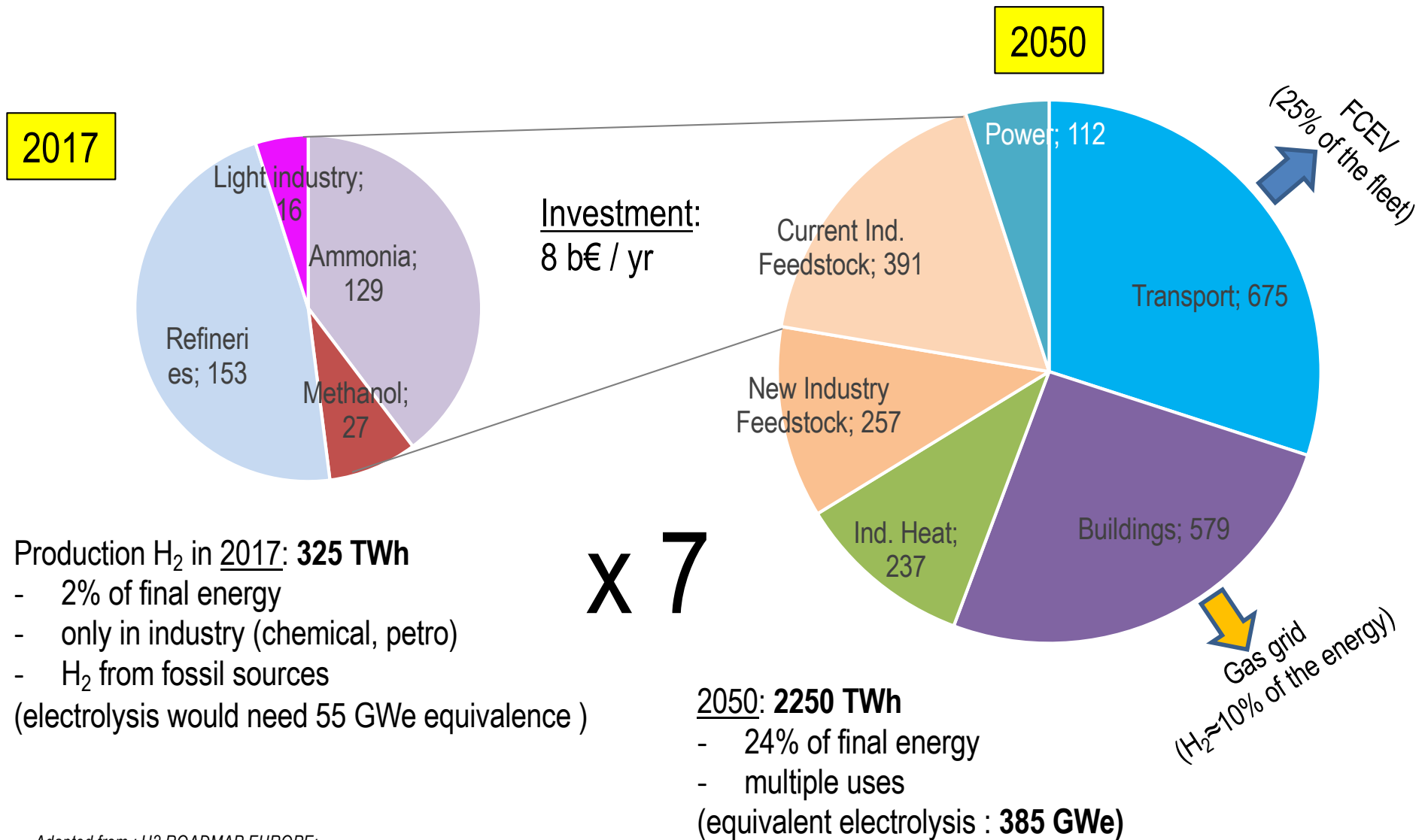


Figure 7 European Transnational Hydrogen Backbone - The natural gas infrastructure in Europe (blue and red lines) and an outline for a hydrogen backbone infrastructure (orange lines). The main part of the hydrogen backbone infrastructure consists of re-used natural gas transport pipelines with new compressors. A "new" hydrogen transport pipeline must be realised from Italy to Greece and from Greece to the Black Sea, also along the South Coast of the Iberian Peninsula a dedicated hydrogen pipeline has to be realised.

H₂ roadmap (EU) - TWh



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Example: oil refinery

<https://refhyne.eu/>

Rheinland refinery (Shell) (D)

Consumption: **180'000 t H₂** / yr
(from fossils)

10 MWe PEM-electrolyser:
=> supplies **1300 t H₂** / yr (<1% !!)

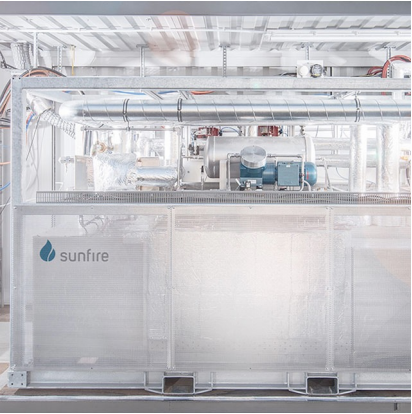
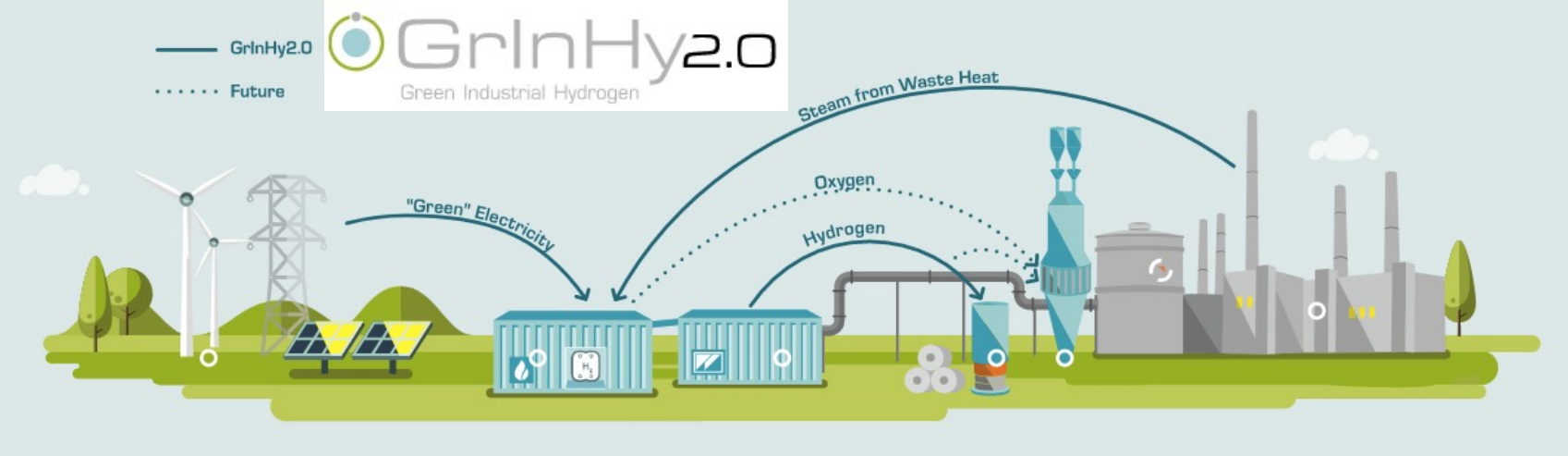
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Example: steel industry

<https://www.green-industrial-hydrogen.com/>



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4.5 M€

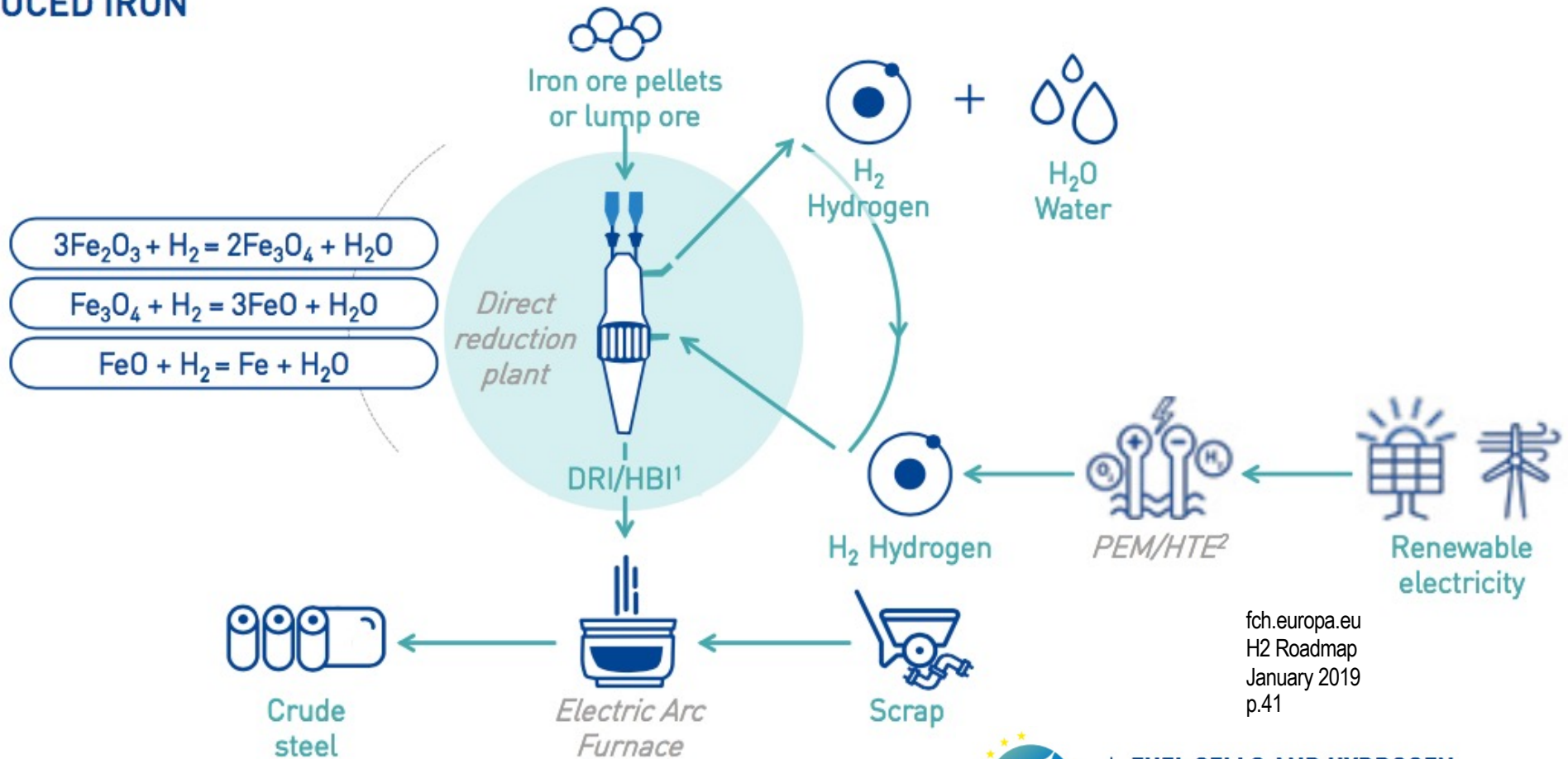
720 kW solid oxide steam electrolyser

200 Nm³/h H₂ (84% efficiency LHV)

100 t H₂ @ < 7€/kg

H₂ for steel making : DRI

EXHIBIT 18: DEEPLY DECARBONIZED STEELMAKING THROUGH HYDROGEN-BASED DIRECT REDUCED IRON



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1 Direct reduced iron/hot briquetted iron

2 Polymer electrolyte membrane electrolysis/high temperature electrolysis

H₂ and electric mobility

- **Mobility** consumes $\frac{1}{3}$ of primary energy and is a bigger bottleneck (fossil resource: gasoline, diesel, kerosene) than **electricity** demand ($\frac{1}{4}$ of primary energy), for which many renewable sources exist, and **heating** demand ($\approx 40\%$ of primary energy), which has enormous saving potential
 - biofuels cannot cover, by far, the current demand
- a substantial shift to transport electrification will happen (FC vehicles, batteries, train, e-buses)

Fuel Cell Electric Vehicle: battery car with H₂ range extension

- Purely electric vehicles are limited in range (km), recharge time (h) and (battery) materials (Li)
- Adding a H₂ tank and PEFC to an electric car with a smaller battery extends the driving range (x 2 or x 3)
- a H₂-refill takes 2 minutes
- H₂ filling stations can be coupled to PV plants and windmills, or (small) hydro-plants, via electrolysers
- The hybrid operation keeps the battery in a high charging state, extending its lifetime

More remarks on E-mobility

H₂ is specially suited for **larger vehicles** (utility, truck, bus,...). Batteries don't reach the range.

FCEV = **same autonomy** as an ICE and same refill speed (**15x faster** than 'fast battery charge' stations).

Infrastructure in HRS occupies **1/10th of the space** of fast battery charge stations, at **1/2 of CAPEX**. Costs of ≈ 2 M€/HRS can be financed with a fossil fuel tax of 0.01€/L.

HRS **discharge** the electrical grid when needed (electrolysis of excess renewables); fast battery charge stations always increase the demand on the grid.

fabrication of FC requires less energy and materials than batteries and engines.

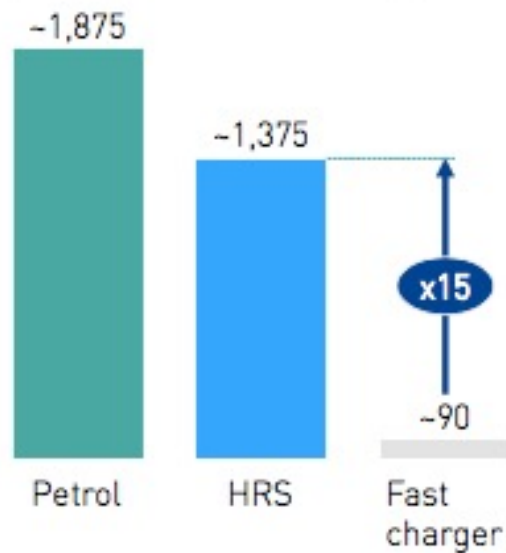
Europe is behind in batteries. When only going for BEV, **the value chain creation** will risk to take place outside Europe.

Supply infrastructure: H₂ vs. battery

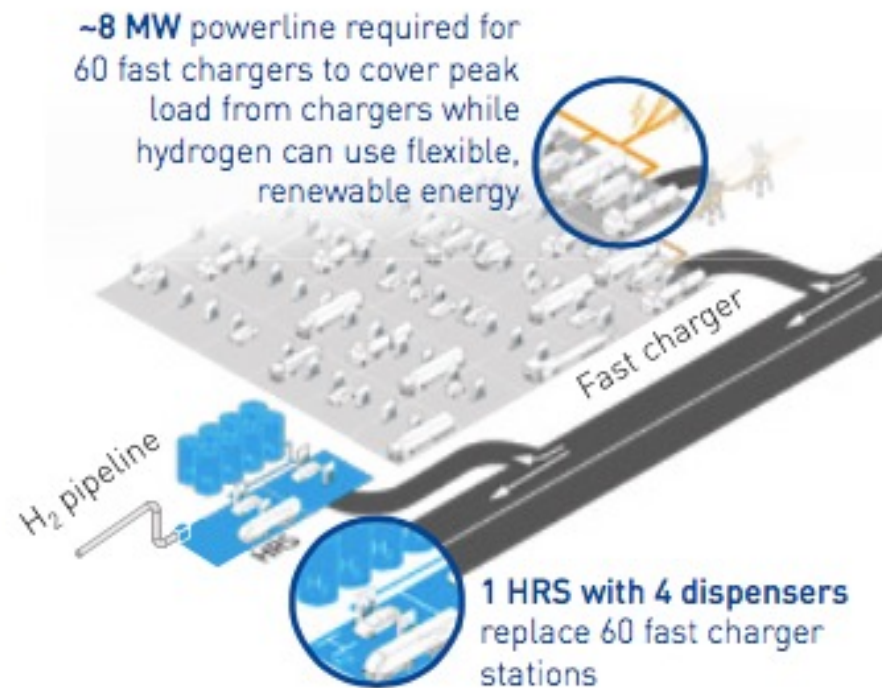
EXHIBIT 11: IMPLICATIONS OF REFUELING SPEED ON SPACE REQUIREMENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Refueling speed

Km/15 minutes of refueling

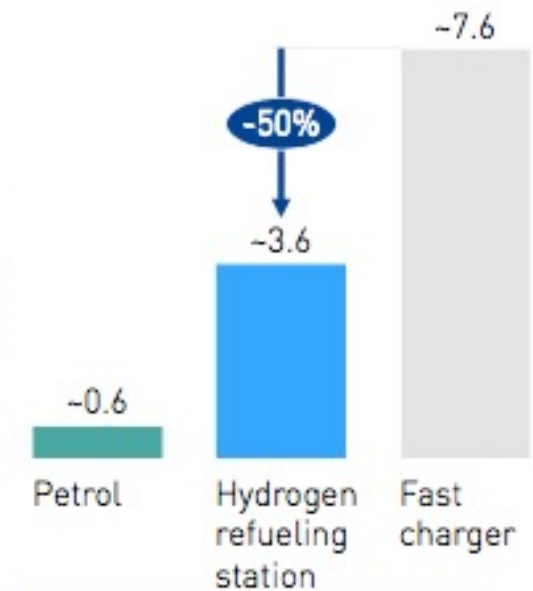


Space requirements



Investment costs per refueling

EUR/refueling



Assumptions: Average mileage of passenger car = 24,000 km; number of PCs in EU in 2050: ~180 million; ICE: range = 750 km/refueling, refueling time = 3 minutes; FCEV: range = 600 km/refueling, refueling time = 5 minutes, fast charger = 1,080 km²; BEV: range = 470 km/refueling, refueling time = 75 min, gas station = 1,080 m²; WACC 8%; fast charger: hardware = USD 100,000, grid connection = USD 50,000, installation costs = USD 50,000, lifetime = 10 years; HRS: capex [1,000 kg daily] = EUR 2,590,000, lifetime = 20 years, refueling demand/car = 5 kg; gas: capex = EUR 225,750, lifetime = 30 years, 1 pole per station

Future H₂ refueling stations (HRS)

EXHIBIT 21: FUTURE HRS REQUIREMENT

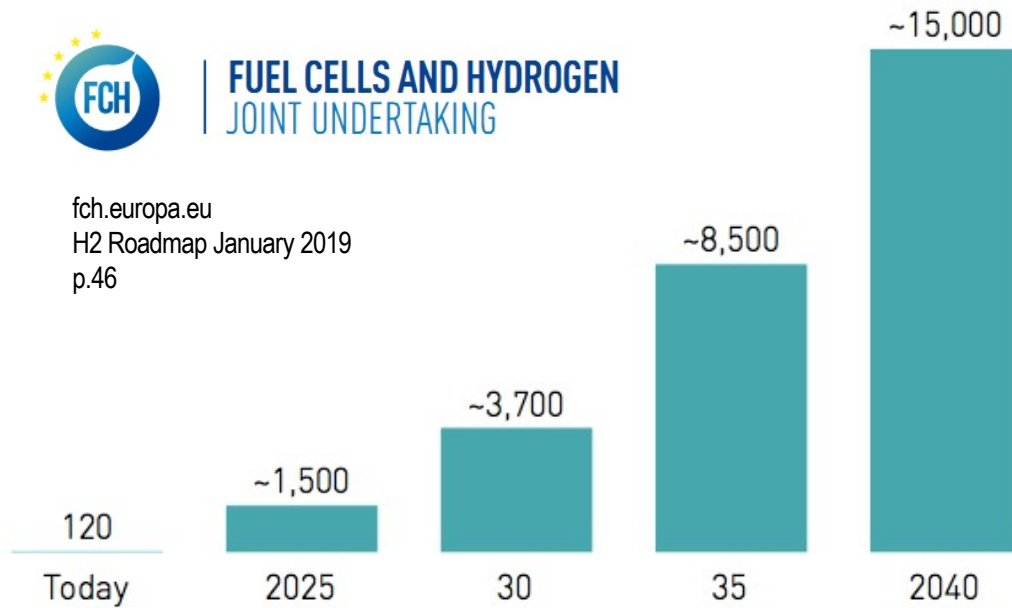
Required large HRS¹, number

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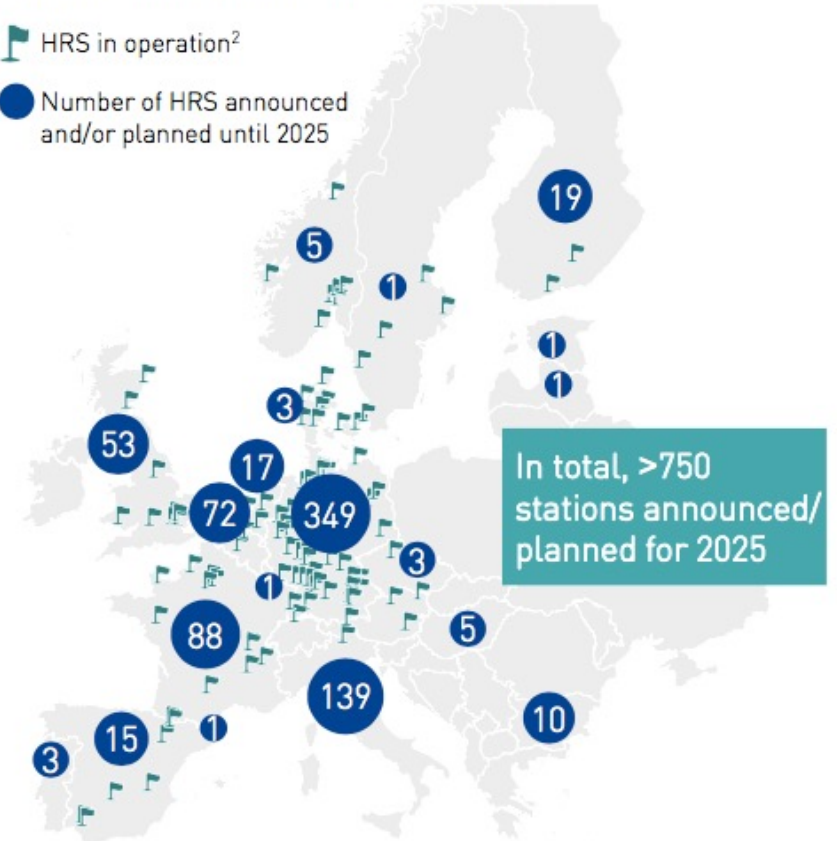
Cumulative investment need, EUR billions

3.5	8.2	17.0	27.5
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Current and planned HRS in Europe

HRS in operation²

Number of HRS announced and/or planned until 2025



¹ Equivalent of medium HRS (1,000kg daily capacity); utilization relative to steady-state

² Indicative position

Status of H₂ fuel cell vehicles

	Hyundai	Toyota	Honda	BMW	Mercedes	Renault SymbioFC
Model	ix35	Mirai	Clarity	5GT	GLC F-Cell	KangooZE
Type	Full power H ₂				Plug-in FC	Range extender
	SUV	Sedan	Sedan	Sedan	SUV	Light utility
Pressure	700 bar				350-700 bar	
Autonomy	594 km	500 km	700 km	450 km	500 km	200-300- km
Release	2014	2015	2016	2020	2017-2018	2014

Table 101: Summary of hydrogen mobility market (Compilation by Hinicio)



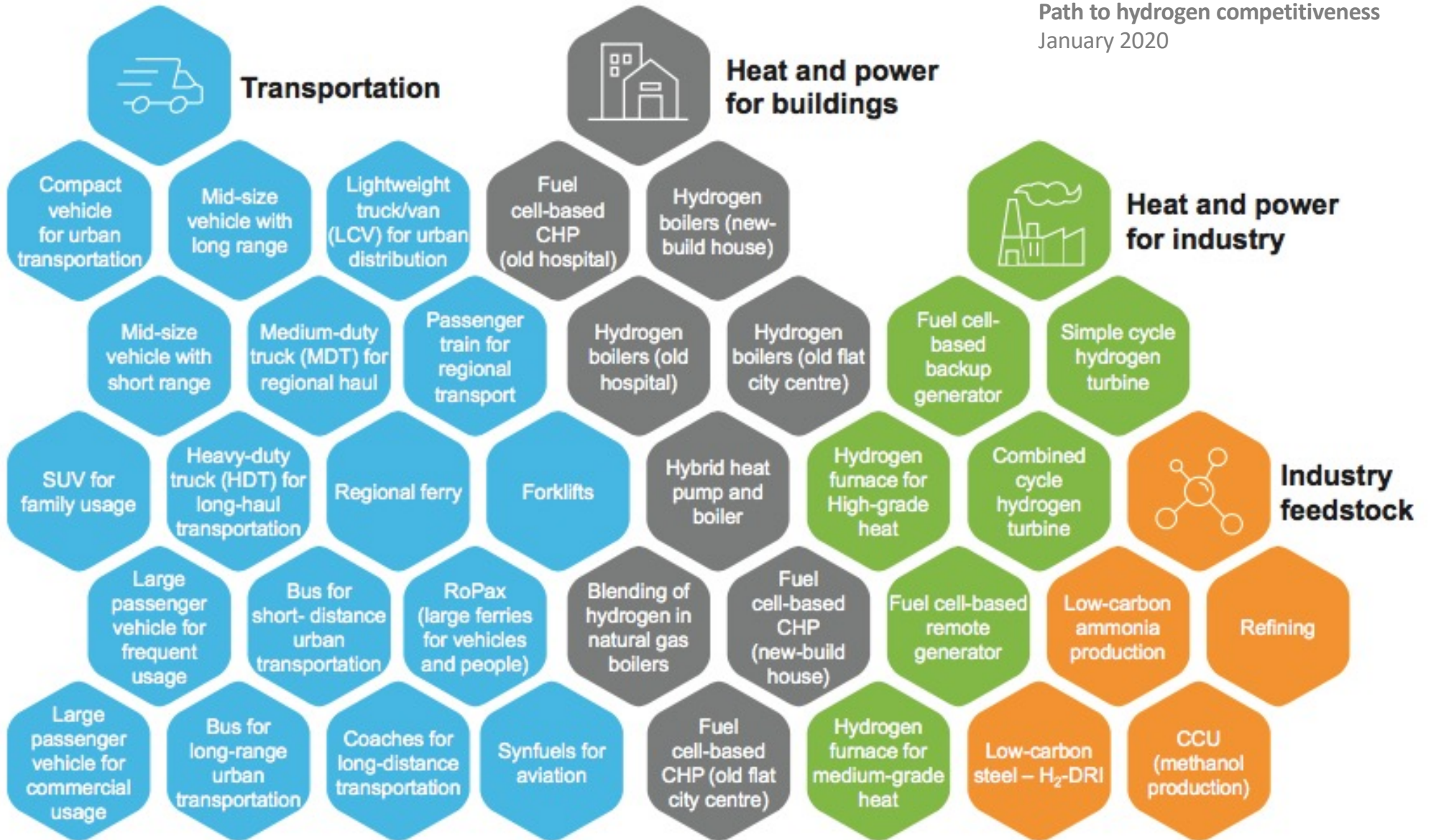
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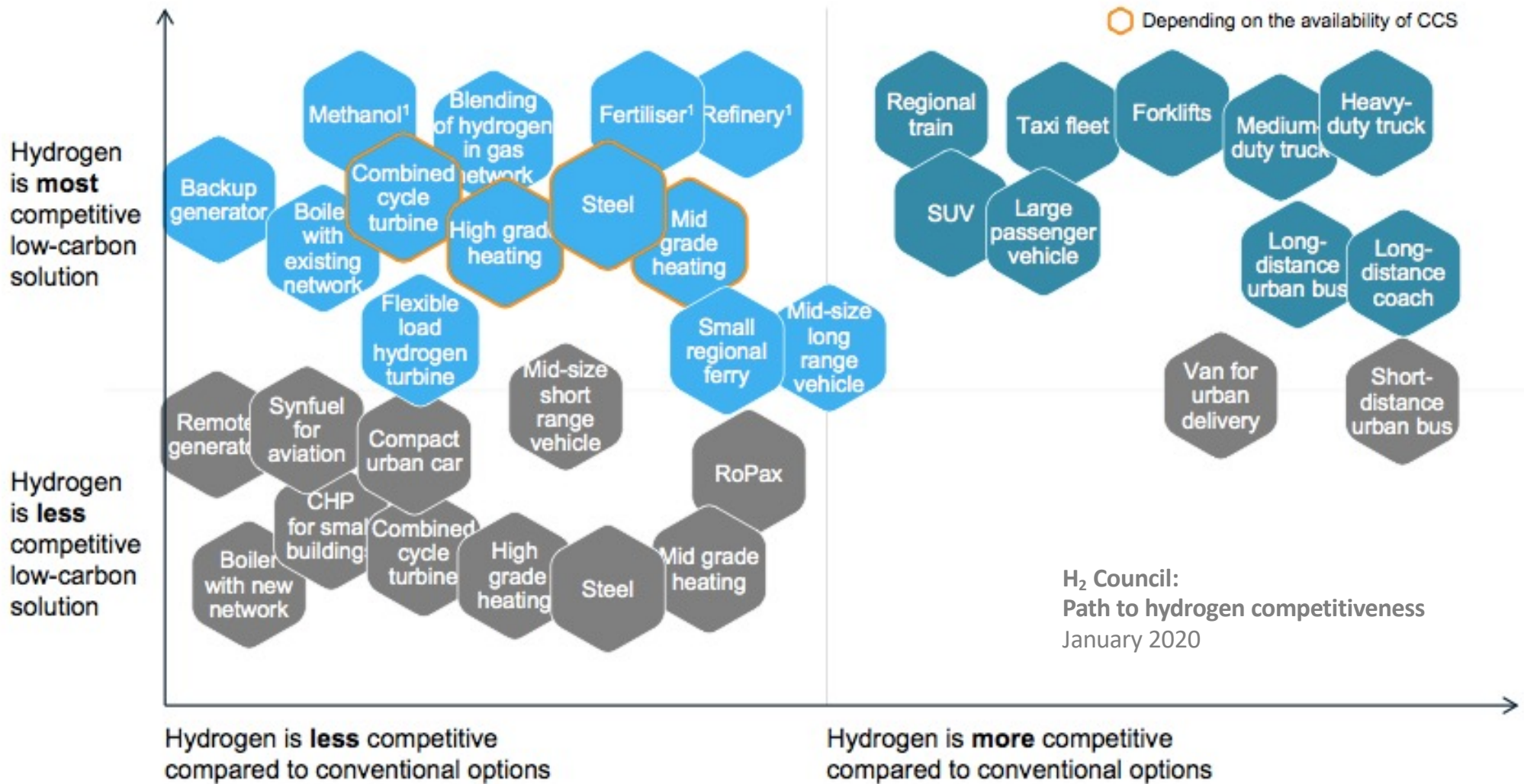


40 applications for H₂ uses

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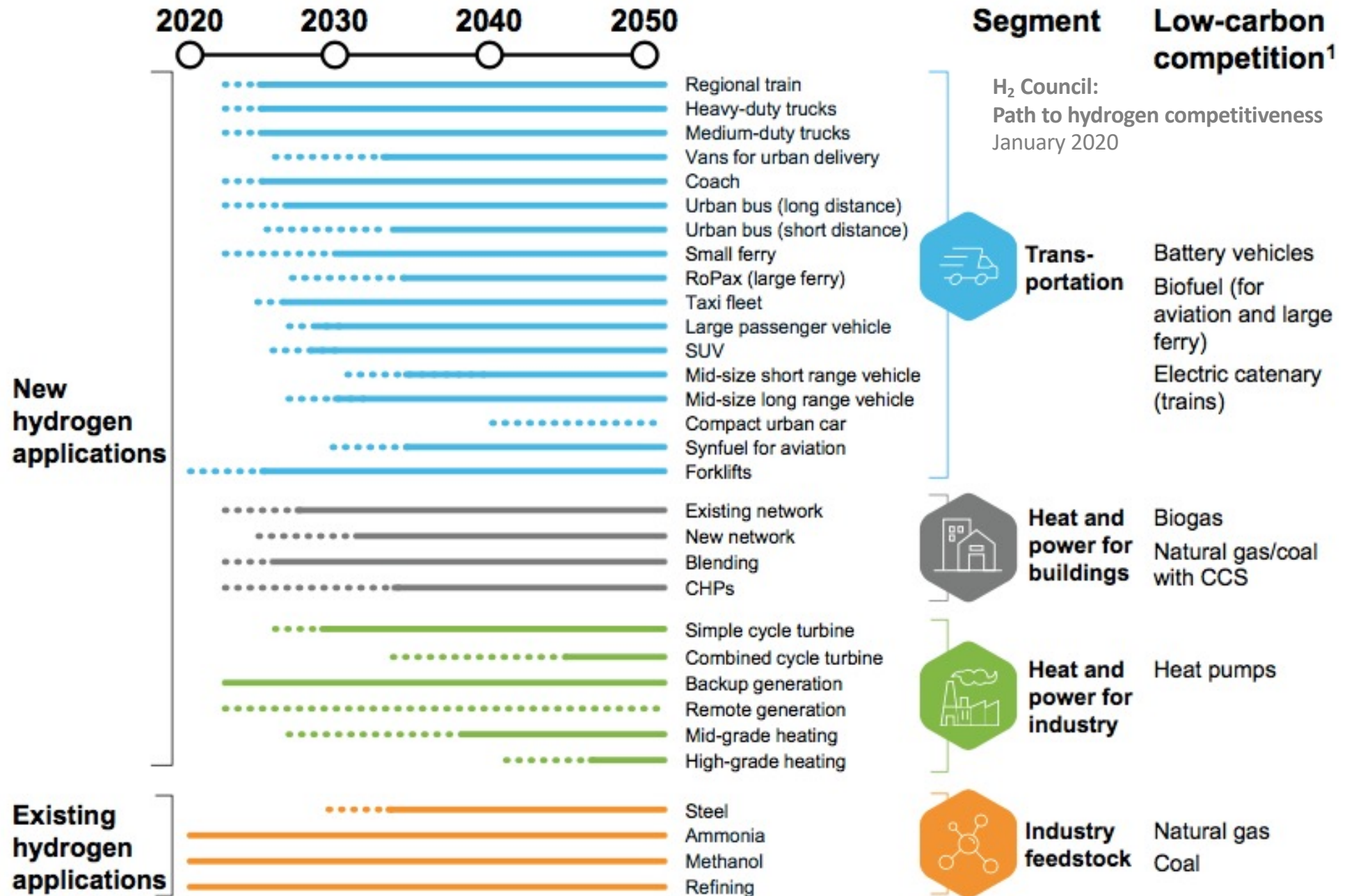
Competitiveness of H₂ as low-carbon solution



1. Hydrogen is the only alternative and low-carbon/renewable hydrogen competing with grey (optimal renewable or low-carbon shown)

Timeline

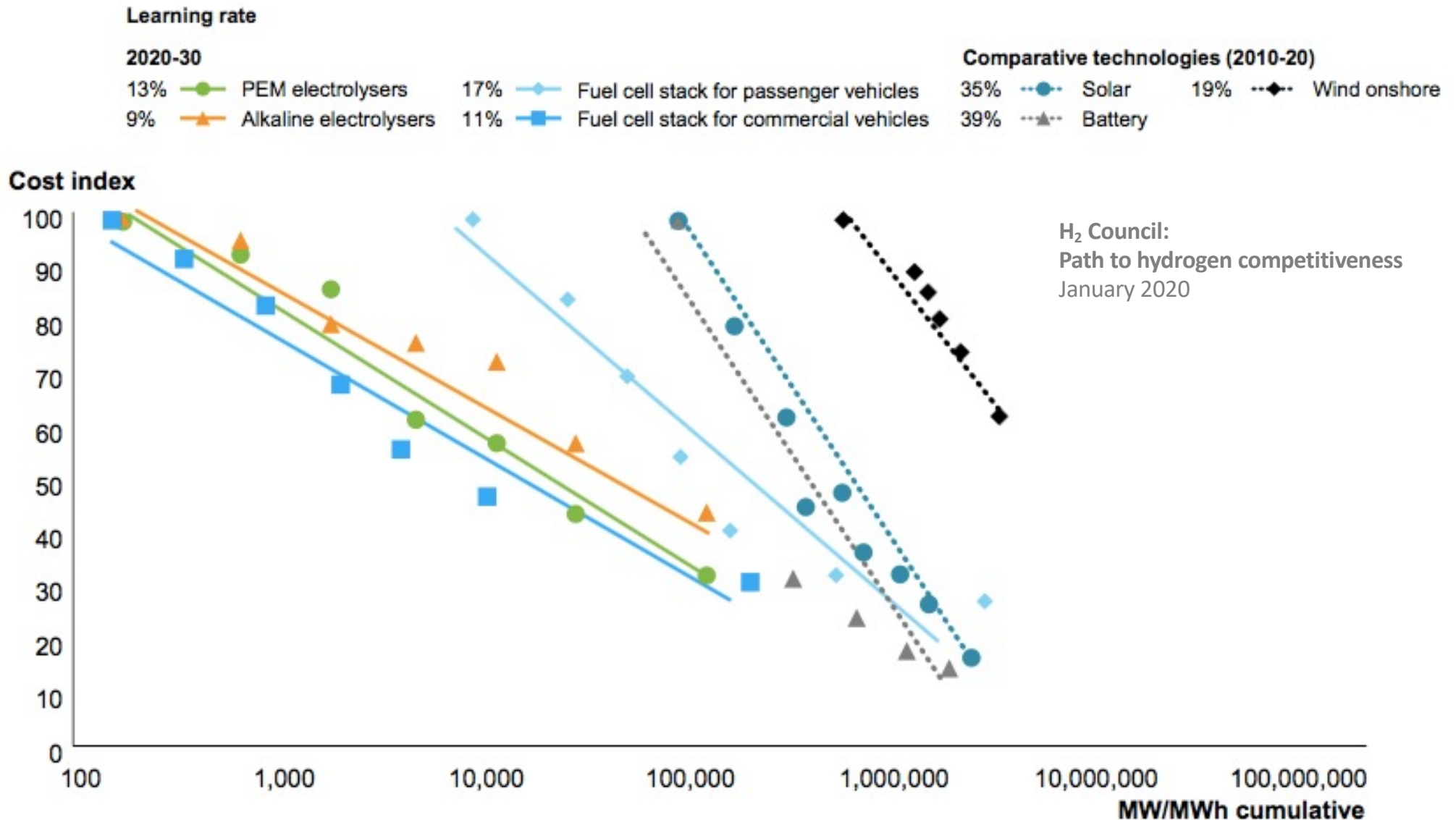
— Hydrogen is competitive in average conditions and regions
 Hydrogen is competitive in optimal conditions and regions



1. In some cases hydrogen may be the only realistic alternative, e.g. for long-range heavy-duty transport and industrial zones without access to CCS

Massive scaling is key. Learning curves.

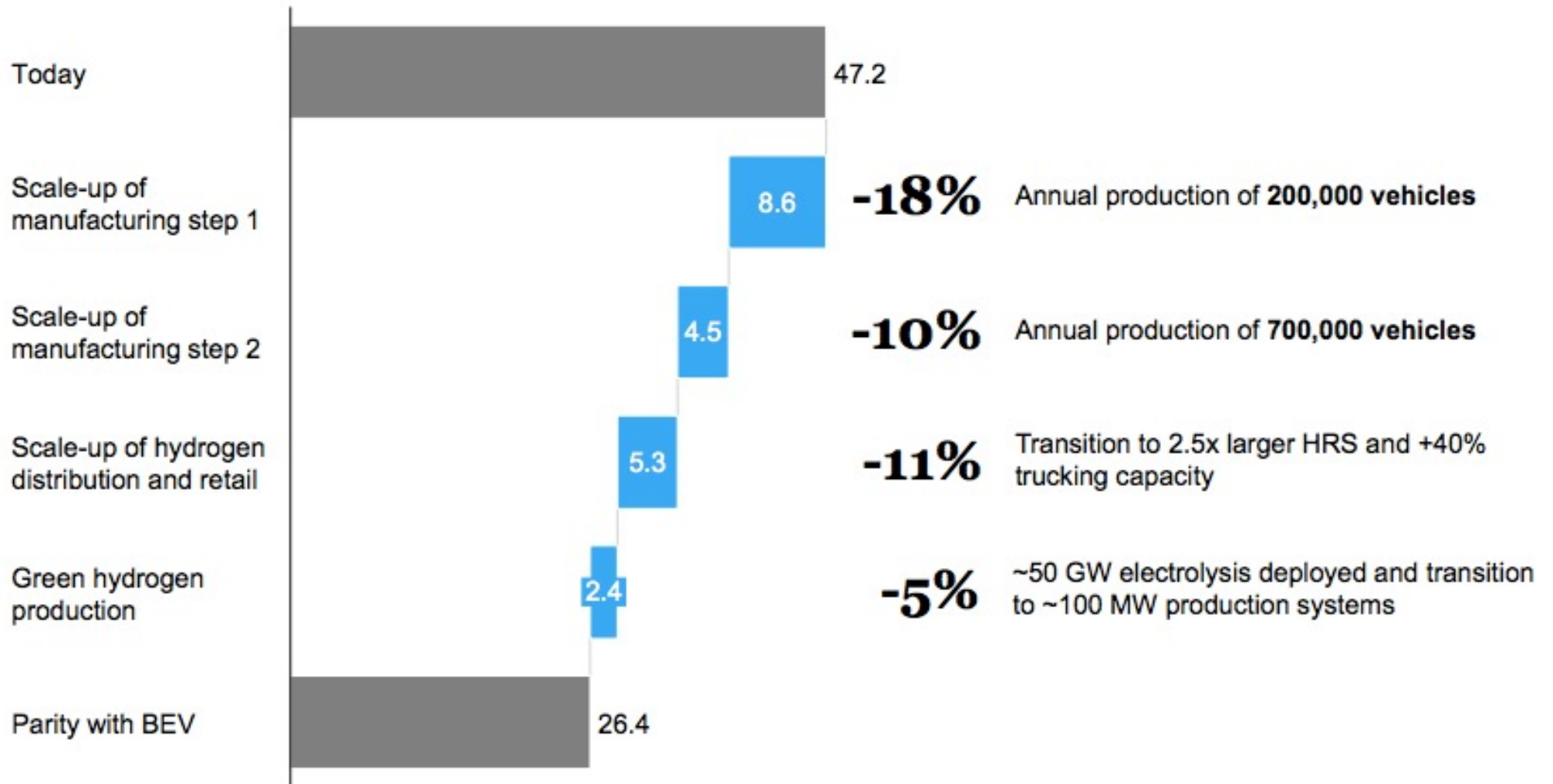
Capex development of selected technologies over total cumulative production
Indexed to 2020 values (2010 for comparative technologies)¹



Parity of FCEV with battery-EV

Total cost of ownership
USD cents/km

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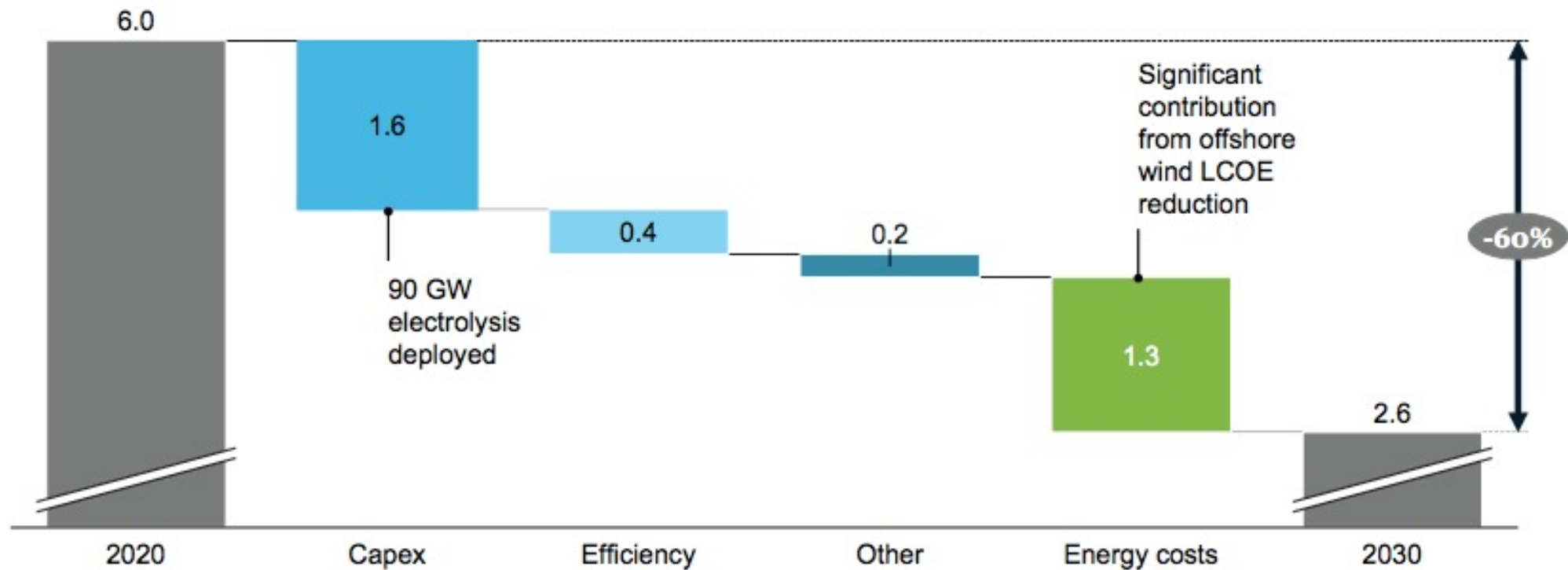


H₂ cost reduction path from 6\$/kg → 2.6 \$/kg

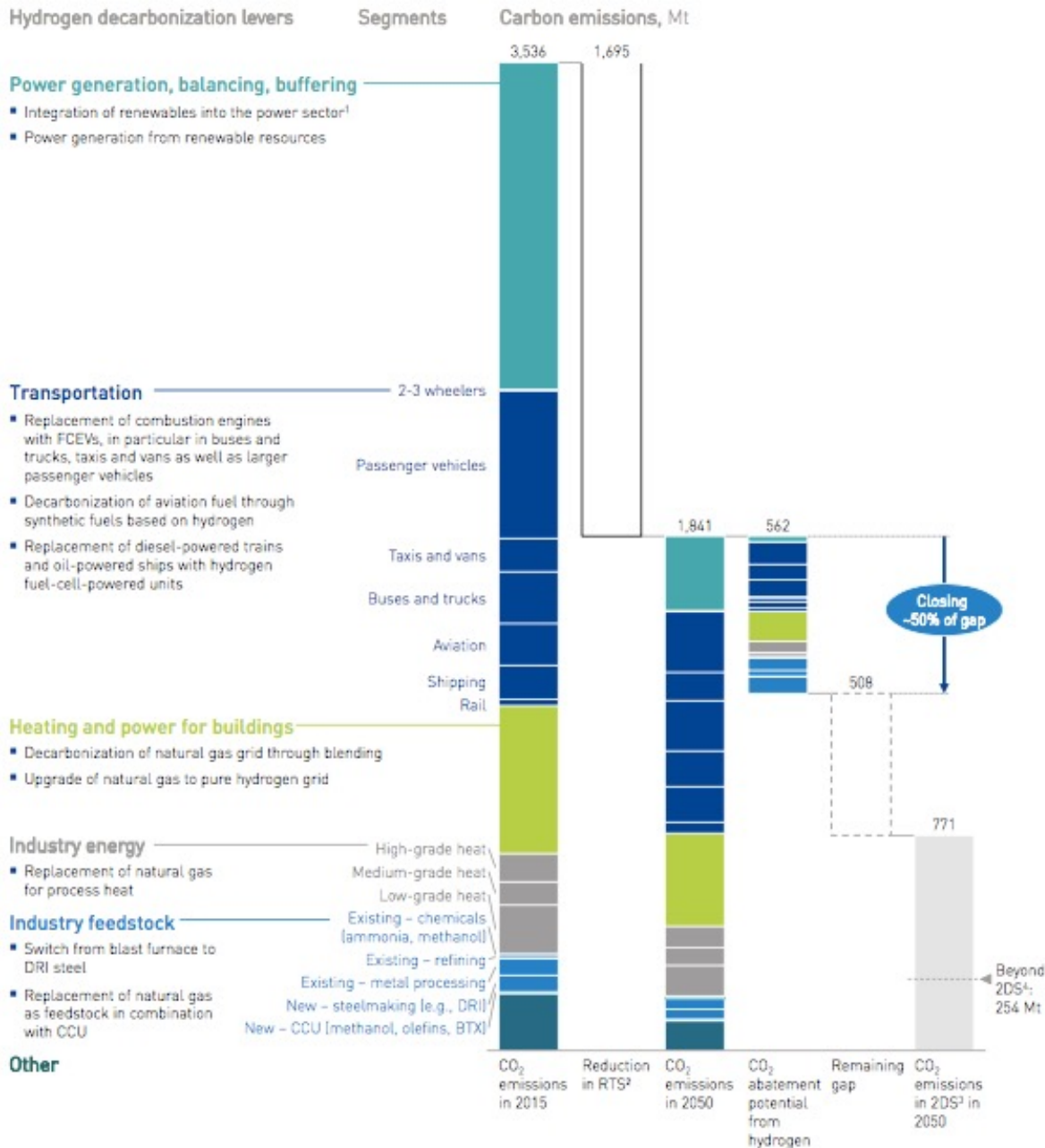
Cost reduction lever for hydrogen for electrolysis¹ connected to dedicated offshore wind in Europe (average case)

USD/kg hydrogen

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Associated CO₂ emissions reduction

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Associated CO₂ emissions reduction

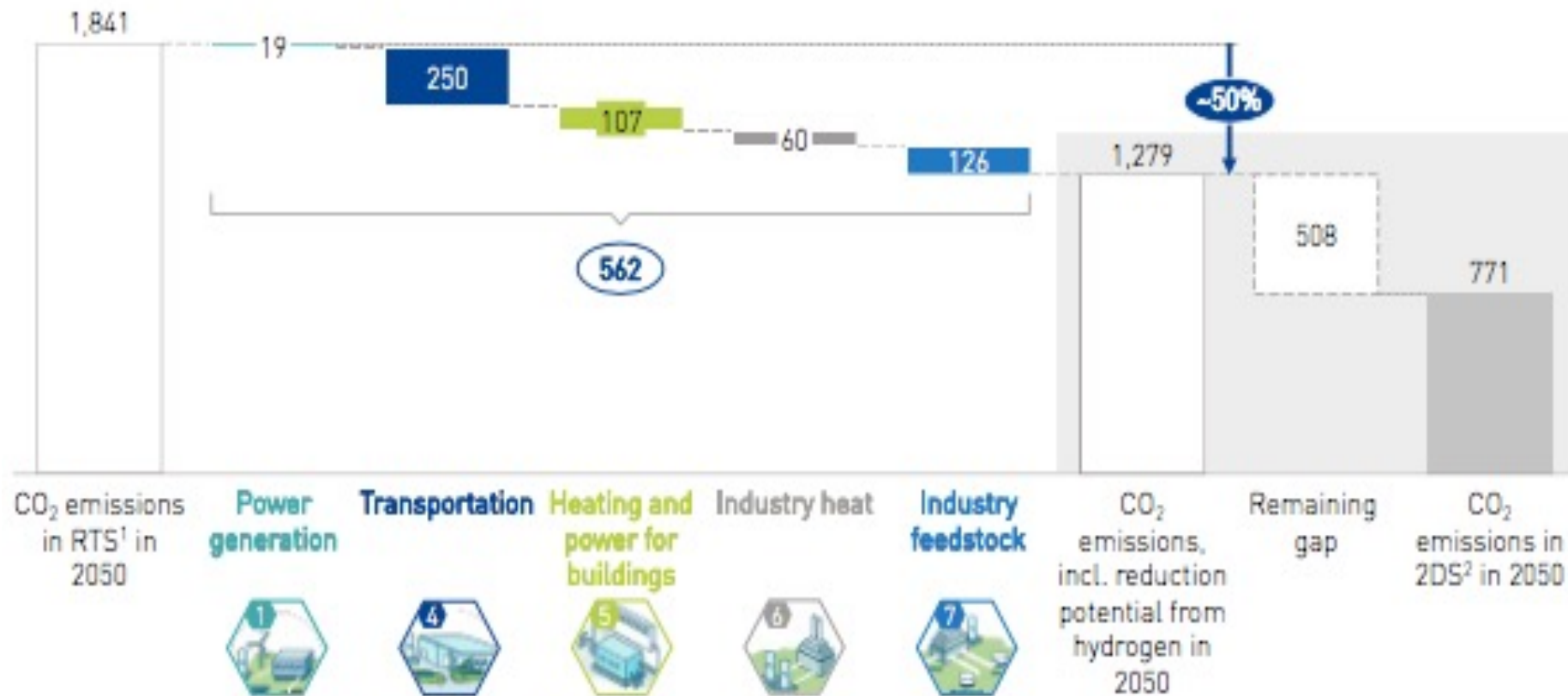
EXHIBIT 24: CO₂ ABATEMENT POTENTIAL THROUGH 2050 IN AMBITIOUS SCENARIO



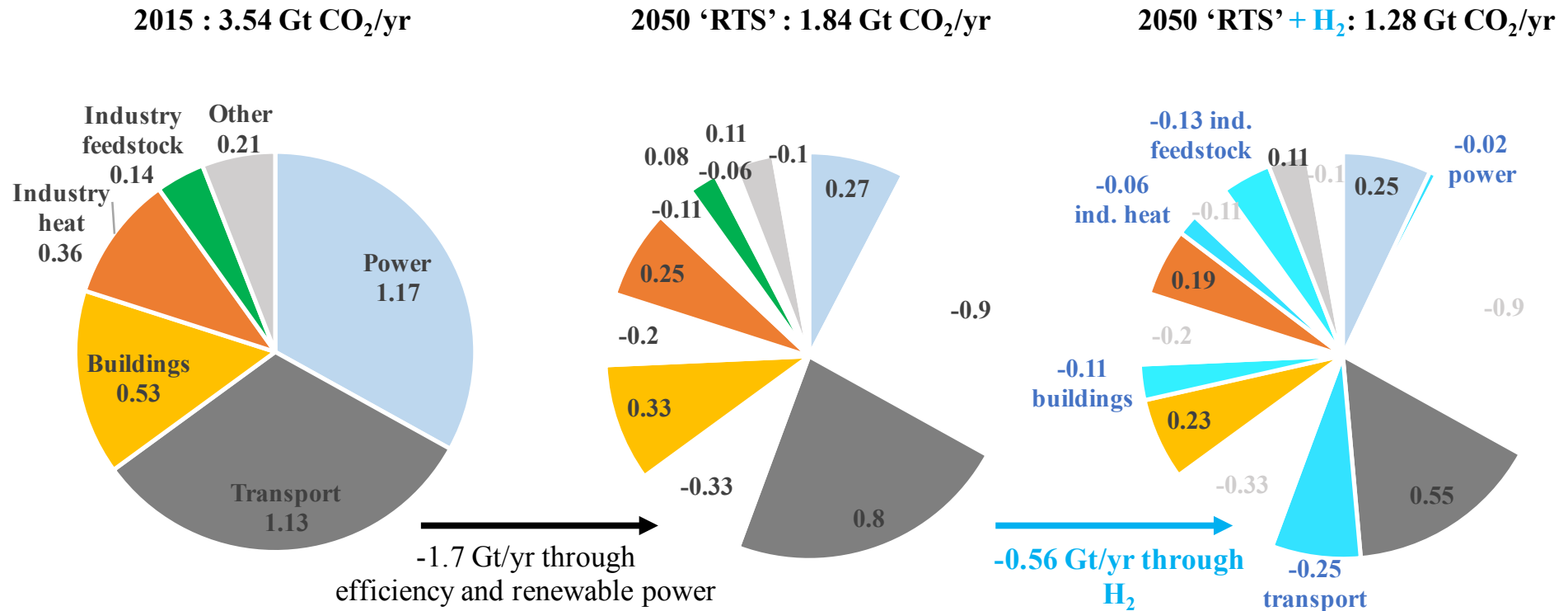
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CO₂ avoidance potential by segment, 2050, Mt



H₂ will decarbonize energy supply and heavy industry



H₂ = up to 24% of energy in 2050 in Europe.

7-fold increase from now.

This demands huge electrolysis capacities (100s of GWe), mainly from wind and PV.

385 GWe in electrolysis: is this feasible? (3400 TWh)

https://schweiz.fandom.com/wiki/Liste_der_gr%C3%B6ssten_Seen_in_der_Schweiz

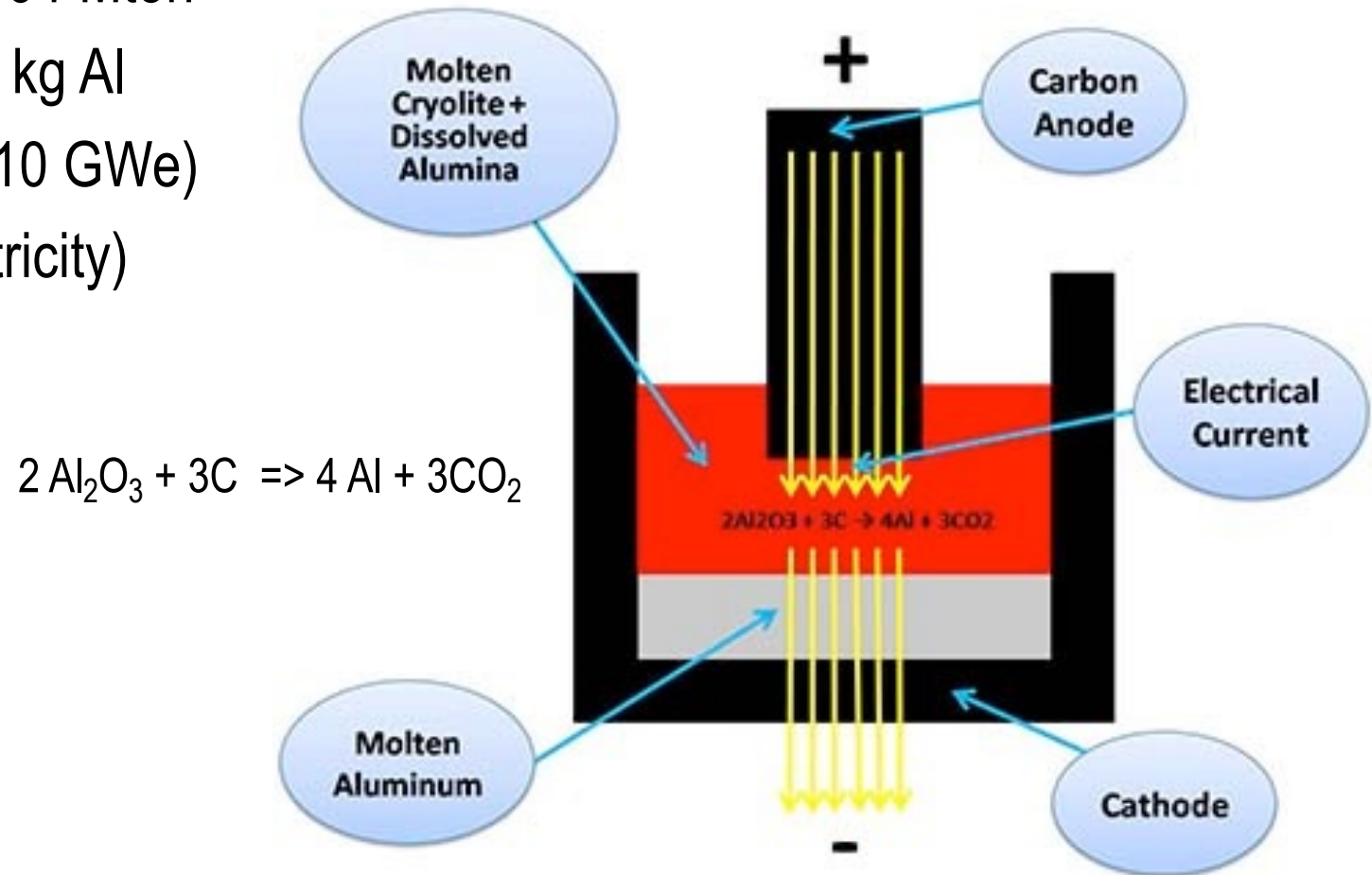
- existing (EU): ≈ 2 GWe
- 66.7% efficiency = **1.88V** electrolysis voltage (100% = 1.25 V)
- suppose: **1A/cm²** current density
=> 1.88 W/cm² absorbed electroc power density
- for 385 GWe we then need $385 \cdot 10^9 \text{ W} / 1.88 \text{ Wcm}^{-2} = 205 \cdot 10^9 \text{ cm}^2 = 20.5 \text{ km}^2$ membrane surface ; 0.6 km³ water consumption
- *Swiss Lake of Murten : 22.8 km²; 0.6 km³ volume*
- membrane of 50 μm thick, density ≈ 1 => $20 \cdot 10^6 \text{ m}^2 \times 50 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ m} = 1000 \text{ m}^3 = 1000 \text{ tons}$
- compare this to the annual plastics production (polymers) = 330 Mtonnes / yr



Example from the aluminium-industry

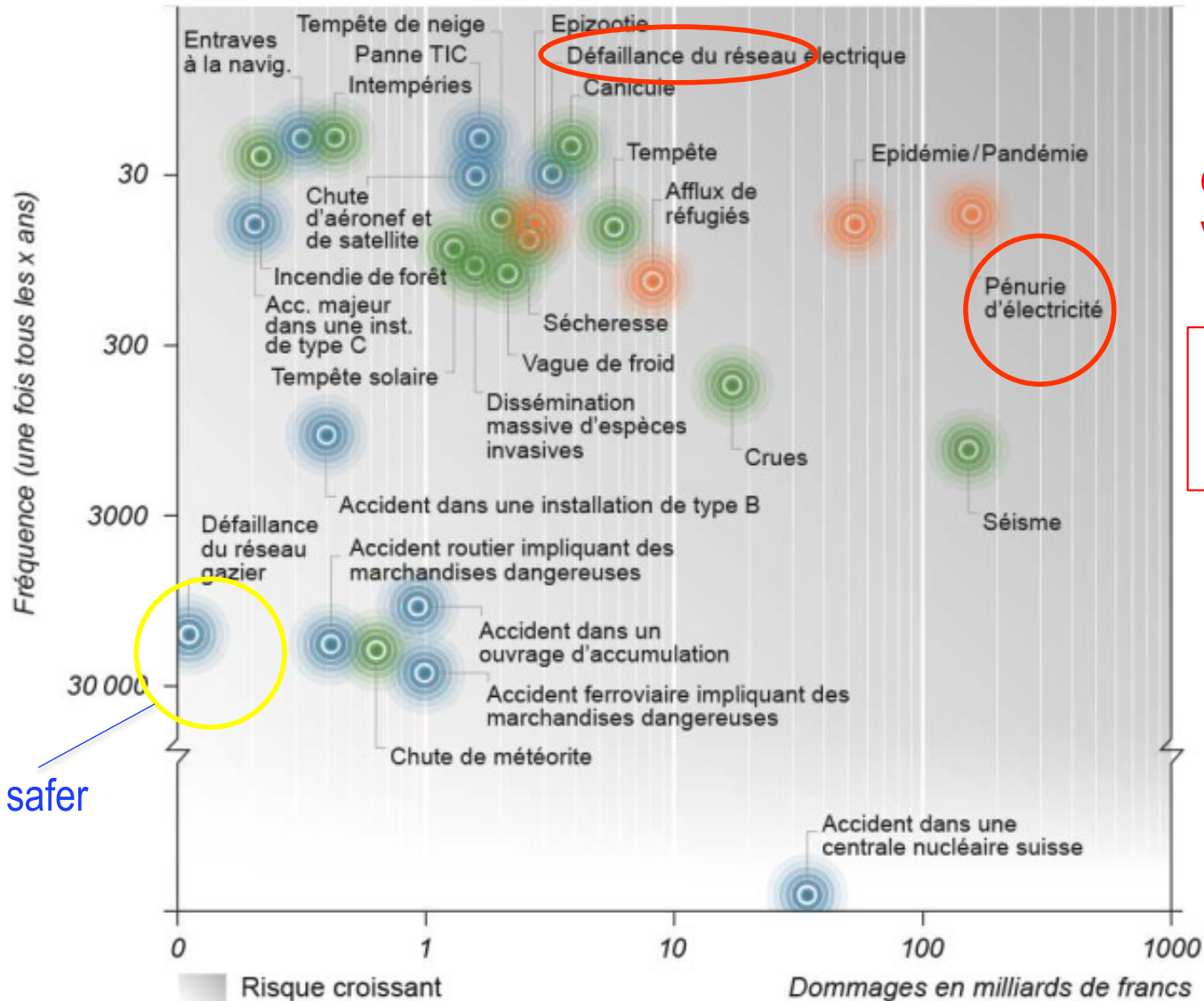
- Production 2018: 64 Mton
- Cons.: 15 kWh / kg Al
=> 960 TWh (≈ 110 GWe)
(≈4% of world electricity)

Hall-Héroult Process (1886)



Risks in Switzerland

Risk report (June 2015): catastrophes and situations of urgency



electrical grid:
vulnerable

Cost of an
extended black-out:
2-4 billion Fr / day

gas grid: safer

=> Strategic vision:

Electrolysis from hydro-power plants (Switzerland: 600 installations > 300kWe and 180 installations >10MWe)



This vision applies to:

⇒ PV + electrolysis

⇒ Wind + electrolysis

⇒ Biogas + electrolysis

⇒ compatible with H₂ mobility