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## Executive summary

As part of the HiPerCap project, a joint EU - Australian workshop targeting Breakthrough Post Combustion Capture Technologies was held on March 25-26, 2015 in Melbourne, Victoria (Australia). The workshop was hosted by CSIRO, on the University College premises at the University of Melbourne.

The purpose of the workshop was to present not only the results of the project, but also the results from other CCS projects in Europe and Australia and to create synergies on CCS between R&D organizations and industry from Europe and Australia.

Four major themes adapted from four of the technical Work-packages in HiPerCap were covered. This means that three sessions dealt with the three major separation technologies (Absorption, adsorption and membranes) and one session dealt with methodologies for technology assessment and benchmarking. On average, there were four presentations per session, in which two presenters were Australian and two were European. There were both presentations from HiPerCap partners and from other invited presenters outside the project. One presentation per session was dedicated to HiPerCap activities. Two sessions were devoted to the discussion of recent trends for technology development within the three major types of gas separation as well as methodologies for technology evaluations.

A site visit to the Latrobe Valley to view the CSIRO capture pilot plant connected to a brown coal-fired power station was conducted 27 March. This trip was sponsored by Brown Coal Innovation Australia (BCIA), while the conference dinner was sponsored by the Global CCS Institute (GCCSI).

Information about the workshop to the public was disseminated through e-mails and the external HiPerCap web-site. Prior to the meeting, a leaflet was prepared and distributed at the GHGT-12 conference. Around 70 people attended the workshop, most of them from Australia and 13 from Europe and one from the USA. Approximately 17 (13 from Europe) participated in the field trip (see picture below).

In the present report, a summary of the workshop is given. All presentations are attached in appendix. These presentations are also uploaded on the project website <http://www.sintef.no/hipercap>.



*Group picture taken at the AGL Loy Yang power station in Latrobe Valley, Victoria*

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Summary of the HiPerCap project

HiPerCap aims to develop high-potential novel and environmentally benign technologies and processes for post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture leading to real breakthroughs. The project includes all main separation technologies for post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture; absorption, adsorption and membranes. For each technology it is focused on chosen set of promising concepts (four for absorption, two for adsorption and two for membranes). We aim to achieve 25% reduction in efficiency penalty compared to a demonstrated state-of-the-art capture process in the EU project CESAR and deliver proof-of-concepts for each technology.

HiPerCap involves 17 partners, from both the public and private sectors (research, academia, and industry), from 7 different EU Member States and Associated States, and three International Cooperation Partner Countries (Russia, Canada, and Australia). The HiPerCap consortium includes all essential stakeholders in the technology supply chain for CCS: power companies, RTD providers, suppliers, manufacturers (of power plants, industrial systems, equipment, and materials), and engineering companies.

### 1.2 Background for the workshop

HiPerCap is one of 6 joint EU - Australian projects within the 7th framework program. Since dissemination activities are important parts of projects like HiPerCap it was planned to organize two joint workshops between Europe and Australia during the course of the project. The first one dealt with in the present proceedings was arranged in Melbourne, Victoria in Australia 25-27<sup>th</sup> March 2015, while the second one will be held in Europe in 2017. The Australian partner in HiPerCap, CSIRO was host for the workshop and the selected venue was at the University College, University of Melbourne.

### 1.3 The aim for the workshop

The purpose of the workshop was to present not only the results of the project, but also the results from other CCS projects in Europe and Australia and to create synergies on CCS between R&D organizations and industry from Europe and Australia. The workshop was open to all interested in CO<sub>2</sub>-capture and information on the workshop was spread by e-mails, leaflets distributed at the GHGT-12 conference and the project public web-site ([www.sintef.no/hipercap](http://www.sintef.no/hipercap)).

## 2 Workshop program

The program for the two days of workshop is listed in Table 2.1 and 2.2, respectively. As can be seen, day 1 started with a general introduction. The Global CCS Institute (GCCSI) sponsored the workshop dinner and Clare Penrose from the GCCSI gave a presentation about the Institute and the global status of capture technologies. Then a brief overview of the Peter Cook CCS Centre was given by its representative (Geoff Stevens). Two presenters (Paul Feron from CSIRO and Adam Al-Azki from E.ON) were invited to give a presentation on CCS in Australia (in the morning of day 1) and on CCS in Europe, respectively. Finally, in the introduction session of day 1, the HiPerCap coordinator gave an overview presentation of the HiPerCap project.

Four major themes adapted from the four major Work-packages in HiPerCap were covered in the following sections. This means that three sessions dealt with the three major separation technologies (absorption, adsorption and membranes) and one session dealt with methodologies for technology assessment and benchmarking. Typically, there were four presentations per session, in which two presenters were Australian and two were European. There were both presentations from HiPerCap partners and from other invited presenters outside the project. One presentation per session was dedicated to HiPerCap activities. Two sessions (each at the end of each day) were devoted to the discussion of recent trends for technology development within the three major types of gas separation as well as methodologies for technology evaluations.

All presentations are attached in Appendix, while a summary of the discussions is given in Chapter 3.

**Table 2-1: Agenda workshop 1<sup>st</sup> day – 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2015**

08:30-09:00	Registration and coffee/tea	
09:00-09:05	Welcome and practical information	CSIRO
09:05-09:20	Global Capture Technology	Clare Penrose (GCCSI)
09:20-09:35	Peter Cook CCS Centre	Geoff Stevens (Melbourne University)
09:35-9:55	CCS in Australia	Paul Feron (CSIRO)
09:55-10:15	HiPerCap overview	Hanne Kvamsdal (SINTEF)
10:15-10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45-12:45	Session 1: Absorption	Session chair: Peter van Os (TNO)
10:45-11:15	HiPerCap WP1: Absorption technologies	Earl Goethier, TNO
11:15-11:45	Development of Reactive Chemical Absorbents at the CSIRO	Graeme Puxty (CSIRO)
11:45-12:15	Formation and destruction of NDELA in MEA and DEA	Hanna Knuutila (NTNU)
12:15-12:45	Dynamic models and control strategies for absorption-based carbon capture processes	Ali Abbas (Sydney University)
12:45-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-16:00	Session 2: Adsorption	Session chair: Cova Pevida (CSIC)
14:00-14:30	HiPerCap WP2: Adsorption technologies	Cova Pevida (CSIC)
14:30-15:00	Carbon composite adsorbents for post combustion CO <sub>2</sub> capture	Yonggang Jin (CSIRO)
15:00-15:30	How can MOFs save the world?	Richard Blom (SINTEF)
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00-16:30	Electrical Swing Adsorption for CO <sub>2</sub> Capture	Alan Chaffee (Monash University)
16:30-17:30	Discussion_1, speakers 1 <sup>st</sup> day in panel	Session chair: Paul Feron (CSIRO)
	Theme: Prospects for absorption/adsorption technologies	

**Table 2-2: Agenda workshop 2<sup>nd</sup> day – 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2015**

08:30-09:00	Coffee/tea	
9:00-9:30	CCS in Europe	Adam Al-Azki (E.ON)
9:30-12:00	Session 3: Membranes	Session chair: Hanna Knuutila (NTNU)
9:30-10:00	HiPerCap WP3: Membrane technologies	Marc Pfister (CNRS)
10:00-10:30	Control of Physical Aging in Super Glassy Polymer Membranes Without Permeability Loss	Cher Hon Lau (CSIRO)
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-11:30	Membrane contactor for CO <sub>2</sub> capture	Taek-Joong Kim (SINTEF)
11:30-12:00	Membranes for CO <sub>2</sub> capture	Sandra Kentish (Melbourne Uni)
12:00-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-15:00	Session 4: Technology evaluation	Session chair: Jock Brown (DNVGL)
13:00-13:30	HiPerCap WP4: Assessment of CO <sub>2</sub> capture technologies	Jock Brown (DNVGL)
13:30-14:00	Comparative overview of costs for capture technologies	Diane Wiley (UNSW)
14:00-14:30	Benchmarking of carbon capture technologies in development	Gerben Jans (DNVGL)
14:30-15:00	Coffee Break	
15:00-16:15	Discussion_2, speakers in panel	Session chair: Adam Al-Azki (E.ON)
	Theme: Industrial applications of membranes and methodologies for technology evaluations	
16:15-16:30	Workshop wrap-up and closure	Hanne Kvamsdal, SINTEF

### 3 Discussion sessions

#### 3.1 Introduction

Some questions addressed in these two sessions were prepared by the HiPerCap representatives during the Technical meeting just before the workshop. Paul Feron (CSIRO) moderated the session on day 1, while Adam Al-Azki (E.ON) moderated the session on Day 2. All workshop participants were invited to be active in the discussions, however, all presenters were asked specifically to be prepared to answer the questions. During both sessions a lively one hour discussion emerged as a result of the participation of the presenters and attendants.

#### 3.2 Discussion 1: Prospects for absorption/adsorption technologies

The questions prepared and the respective summary of answers are listed in the following:

- What is the best way of up-scaling absorption and adsorption based technologies?
  - ✓ The issue of up-scaling depends on the specific application. Focus should be on low CAPEX. 3D printing application could be an option for sorbents.
- What are the major challenges for both absorption and adsorption?
  - ✓ Major challenge for absorption is still related to the overall costs, while the adsorption application is more immature than absorption and focus is still on the sorbent capacities. In the latter it was stated that more pilot demonstrations are needed. Also the issue related to IPR protection and thus insufficient collaboration was mentioned.
- Any challenges related to emission of harmful amines and other unwanted components?
  - ✓ Regarding emissions from amine based absorption plants, some major steps for reduction of emission of harmful species have already been taken and a 1<sup>st</sup> generation mitigation approach is implemented at the Boundary Dam facility. However, more solvent loss is experienced than expected and the following question was addressed: what are the consequences if 300 applications like Boundary Dam are realized? Though some work has been done to understand the degradation mechanisms and also to establish common procedures for emission measurements and analyses, more efforts are still needed in this area. Regarding adsorption there might be an issue in case of amine functionalized sorbents, but this may be avoided dependent on the design and control of the process.
- Do the absorption and adsorption technologies have any advantages regarding operational flexibility?
  - ✓ At least for the absorption technology there are some tests conducted related to solvent storage. It was emphasized that one shall not overdesign, but try to optimize the plant size based on the operation pattern of the power plant.
- Differences and similarities between Europe and Australia and what can we learn from each other?
  - ✓ At the level of general energy supply Australia is a resource-rich country and continent with consistently high levels of coal exports and increasing levels of gas exports. Oil resources are nearing their depletion though. Europe is not a resource rich continent, being heavily reliant on imports of oil and gas and to some extent also coal as coal mines have been progressively closed over the last decades in many European countries.
  - ✓ CO<sub>2</sub> capture is more costly in Australia for a number of reasons. Firstly, In Australia environmental controls need to be installed prior to CO<sub>2</sub> capture to deal with acid gases other than CO<sub>2</sub>. Such environmental controls are already in place in Europe. Hence this represents a significant additional investment. Secondly, although fuel prices are lower in Australia, which is beneficial for the operating costs of a capture process, capital costs are much higher in Australia. The cost of the overall CCS-chain in Australia is dependent on the fuel type, the proximity of CO<sub>2</sub>-sources to CO<sub>2</sub>-sinks and hence the location. Nearly all

power stations in Victoria (VIC) are fuelled by brown coal and potential CO<sub>2</sub> storage is nearby. Brown coal is not an export product because of its high moisture content. It is easily extracted in open cut mines and therefore a very low cost fuel ideal for local power generation. Black coal is used for power generation in New South Wales (NSW) and Queensland (QLD). In NSW CO<sub>2</sub> storage locations are quite far away from the emissions sources making CCS expensive. In QLD there is better potential for CO<sub>2</sub>-storage, particularly in the Surat Basin. Australian black coal is of high quality and a commodity traded on the global market and the fuel price is higher than for black coal. Still compared to Europe or Asia, coal prices are much lower. Labor costs, on the other hand, are amongst the highest in the world, which results in high costs for installation of plant and equipment and high costs for maintenance. Despite the differences in capture cost break-down in both Australia and Europe CO<sub>2</sub> capture costs are too high to facilitate rapid deployment of CCS technology and both continents can learn from efforts and experiences in cost reduction.

The discussion on the above questions was very lively and as a result there was no time for a discussion around the last three questions:

- Are the absorption based technologies completely developed?
- How much can you expect to reduce the heat requirement?
- Is CO<sub>2</sub> purity an issue for all technologies addressed?

### **3.3 Discussion 2: Industrial applications of membranes and methodologies for technology evaluations**

#### **3.3.1 Membranes**

The questions prepared and the respective summary of answers are listed in the following:

- What is the best way of up-scaling membrane based technologies and can they really offer an improvement in plant footprint compared to amine scrubbing?
  - ✓ It was suggested that the scale up of membrane technologies for CO<sub>2</sub>-capture would be facilitated by considering how the scale-up of reverse osmosis for seawater desalination had progressed since its inception in the 1960's.
  - ✓ Based on experience at TNO with development of membrane contactors for CO<sub>2</sub>-capture from flue gas it is important to redesign the membrane module geometry for up-scaling (e.g. tubular). The advantage of the high specific surface area for membrane technologies is the potential for compact equipment and smaller footprint. As the power plant flue gases are sizeable in volumes, there is a considerable design challenge to enable these flue gases to pass through the membrane equipment at low pressure drop. Proper module design is a critical up-scaling issue. Thus it is important to establish normative equipment- as well as process design procedures.
  - ✓ The use of plastic materials in processes with acid gases has the potential to reduce the costs.
  - ✓ Low temperature membrane operation may also be considered. It has been shown that cryogenic operation at least may give an energy performance similar to amine based absorption processes.
  - ✓ Hybrid membranes combining functionalized amine groups as well as membranes combined with other technologies are present trends.
  - ✓ In order to develop equipment and processes it is important that both engineers and material scientists work together. Especially important is to have the power plant and its requirements and limitations in mind when designing the membrane module and associated capture process.
- What indication do we currently have that membranes can offer improved energy performance in comparison to amine scrubbing?

- ✓ Rough estimates shows that there is not a big difference in the energy performance of a membrane process or an optimized amine based process.
- ✓ The main benefit of membrane application is its simplicity, which makes it attractive for as a retrofit option with advantages in terms of operation and maintenance. Another advantage is that in the membrane process there is no use of chemicals thus avoiding emission of potential harmful species.
- ✓ The membrane process requires electricity, which is more expensive than the steam used for the amine based absorption process. However, the membrane process is easier to integrate with the power-plant than the amine based due to the steam extraction from the power-plant in the latter case.
- ✓ Further improvement may come from better heat-integration, but then the beneficial simplicity may be lost.
- ✓ Benchmarking taking into account also aspects around operability and flexibility of the plants should be done. A true comparison of membrane processes with amine based technologies can be done on the basis of adequate process and equipment designs. As these are lacking a good technical starting point will be a comparison between the membrane permeability and the mass transfer coefficients for amine based absorption/desorption processes.
- ✓ What are the major challenges for membrane based capture technologies?
  - ✓ The main challenge for membranes is to demonstrate their robustness under realistic conditions, i.e. at flue gas conditions. There is a need for experimental environments, e.g. at power stations, to enable such testing.
  - ✓ Another challenge is to have scalable process designs and equipment designs and evaluate those designs at real conditions.
- ✓ Membranes in Europe vs. Australia
  - ✓ Emission controls in Australian power plant are less stringent compared to Europe. The poorer quality of the flue gases in Australia might impose additional issues for membrane technologies. This may also influence on the CO<sub>2</sub> purity and the strict requirement related to transport and storage. Thus flue-gas treatment may be necessary and for which multicomponent capture may be a solution. However, Australia has particulate removal installed on coal fired power plants, either ESP or bag filters so that challenges related to fly ash is not an issue.
  - ✓ At present there are no membrane manufacturing companies in Australia. This lack of technology suppliers in Australia will be a determining factor in international collaborations, as the technologies will be developed overseas rather than in Australia.

### 3.3.2 Technology Benchmarking

The questions prepared and the respective summary of answers are listed in the following:

- How do we account for operability and flexibility?
  - ✓ This maybe an important design criterion especially for capture plants to be connected to power plants operated at highly varying load or sources of CO<sub>2</sub> for which the flue gas flow-rate and/or CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is highly fluctuating. In HiPerCap, we will consider it as part of the technology assessment, but only on a qualitative basis.
- Is CO<sub>2</sub> purity an issue for all technologies addressed?
  - ✓ As mentioned in connection with membranes, CO<sub>2</sub> purity is an issue for geological storage and transportation.
  - ✓ For pipelines, recompression is affected by impurities in the stream. Unfortunately, there is not much data in literature about specific requirements although it is a big issue. It will be dependent on the specific case so maybe that is the reason why it is not standardized. In HiPerCap we will most likely require a minimum of 95%, but check the implications for some of the technologies.
- Are there any added environmental benefits of the new technologies addressed in HiPerCap?
  - ✓ All solvent systems considered in HiPerCap are more "green" or environmental friendly than systems considered as part of the 1<sup>st</sup> generation solvent system. As stated earlier, there will not

be any issue related to emission of harmful species in case of membrane applications while amine functionalized sorbents may release some of the amines dependent on operating conditions.

- Do any of the considered technologies provide reduction in CAPEX?
  - ✓ It is one of the goals in HiPerCap to reduce costs, but most likely it is difficult to estimate the costs and compare all the technologies on a fair basis. It was emphasized also that the availability of the various agents at least before any extensive application is limited. Thus the novel solvents, sorbents and membrane materials may be as costly as the capture plant itself.

Finally, there was a general discussion about how to benchmark and choose the best technology.

- ✓ Certain technologies work better for one application, another technology maybe better for other types of applications situation.
- ✓ In HiPerCap we will not be able to see all the potentials of the different technologies when we are finally selecting two technologies for further studies, but we will try to be as fair as possible with the available data we will get.
- ✓ At the end the market will make a decision and it is important to offer alternatives.
- ✓ There was a remark about the lack of pilots available for demonstration of membrane based technology as a clear drawback, but it was confirmed that a membrane developed at SINTEF/NTNU has been tested at a power plant in Portugal for 6 months, in the presence of NOx and SOx. Promising results have been obtained. The same membrane was also tested in a cement plant, but less good results were obtained due to unstable cement plant operation. Presently a 10 m<sup>2</sup> hollow fiber pilot plant is designed and will be constructed at NTNU/SINTEF quite soon.

## 4 Field trip to the Latrobe Valley

Most of the European participants and some Australian (many of the participants in the workshop have already visited this site) joined the trip to the Latrobe Valley, Victoria for visiting a huge brown coal opencast mine and one of its connecting power stations. CSIRO has built and has been operating a post-combustion capture pilot plant at the power station. The tour in the mine and through the power station was kindly hosted by AGL Loy Yang.

Facts about the power station: AGL Loy Yang operates one of Australia's largest open-cut mines (2.5 by 3.5 km and 200 meters deep). The mine consists of a 10-20 meters layer of overburden. 30 Mtpa are produced for two base-load power stations with a capacity of 2.2 GW and 1.1 GW, respectively, which is 50% of Victoria's electricity need. The coal has very low ash content of about 2%, and very low sulfur levels and as such amongst the cleanest in the world. On the other hand, it contains of 62-65% moisture which dramatically affects the power stations' efficiency; ~29% HHV (34% LHV). Flue gas treatment after combustions includes cooling (heating inlet air) and electrostatic precipitation of fly-ash, which is 99.9% effective, but lack flue gas desulphurization and denitrification. As a result the flue gas is being emitted at 180 °C to prevent acid dew point from happening and the composition ranges between 10-12% CO<sub>2</sub>, about 5% O<sub>2</sub>, 20% H<sub>2</sub>O, 140ppm SO<sub>2</sub> and 180ppm NO<sub>x</sub>. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from both power plants are about 30 Mtpa. <http://www.agl.com.au/about-agl/how-we-source-energy/thermal-energy/agl-loy-yang>



Facts about the pilot plant: The CSIRO PCC pilot plant at AGL Loy Yang captures CO<sub>2</sub> from slipstream flue gas. The PCC pilot plant was commissioned in 2008 and is designed to process 50 kg/h of flue gas. The CSIRO PCC pilot plant is operated during daytime hours. The PCC pilot plant consists of a flue gas pre-treatment column, two absorber columns and one stripper column. The pre-treatment column scrubs the flue gas with sodium hydroxide to remove SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> (other than NO) and particulates. The liquid absorbents used to capture CO<sub>2</sub> in this pilot plant range from 30 % (w/w) aqueous monoethanolamine (MEA), AMP, PZ, amino acids and several proprietary blends. The absorbent inventory ranges between 150-250 L. The PCC pilot plant has been focusing on evaluation of novel amine blends and has set a base-line for emissions from long term operation of MEA (1600+ hours).



The two absorber columns are operated in series (can also be reconfigured to operate in parallel) and constructed from 200 DN stainless steel pipe. Each absorber column has an inner diameter (ID) of 211 mm, two 1.35 m packed bed sections (i.e. total packing height of 2.7 m), and the total column height is 9.4 m. The single stripper column is constructed from 150 DN stainless steel pipe with 161 mm ID. The stripper has a total column height of 6.9 m and packing height of 3.9 m. The metal random Pall ring packing used in every column has the following general specifications: (i) size/dimensions of 16 mm, (ii) specific area of 338 m<sup>2</sup>/m<sup>3</sup>, and (iii) packing factor of 306 m<sup>-1</sup>. The steam for the stripper reboiler is generated by a 120 kW electric boiler.

Flow meters, sensors, probes and transmitters installed throughout the CSIRO pilot plant provide instantaneous measurements of flow rate, pressure and temperature. Column temperature profiles can be generated using resistance temperature detectors (RTDs) located along the height of each column. The Gasmet™ FTIR gas analyzer measures gas composition online at 5 locations throughout the plant. Density meters display online density measurements of the liquid absorbent. During pilot plant operation, liquid absorbent samples are titrated onsite to determine the absorbent concentration. This is needed to monitor and maintain the water balance. Additionally, once the pilot plant reaches steady state operation, absorbent is sampled at various points in the pilot plant and sent off-site for liquid analysis.

Also the PCC related research on potassium carbonate, membranes and adsorption as carried out by the CO2CRC at the nearby Hazelwood power station was discussed by Trent Harkin of CarbonNet (previously with the CO<sub>2</sub>CRC).

## 5 Acknowledgement

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## Appendix: Presentations from the workshop

# HiPerCap

## High Performance Capture

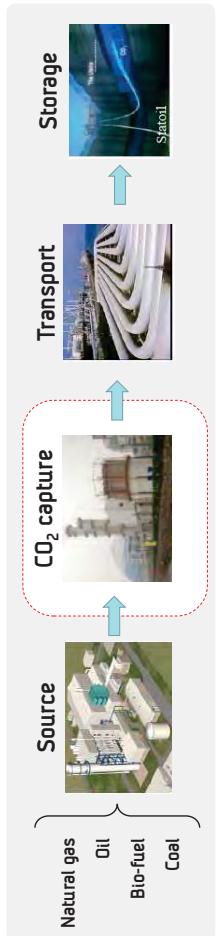
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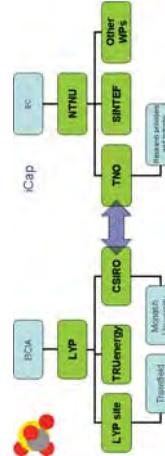
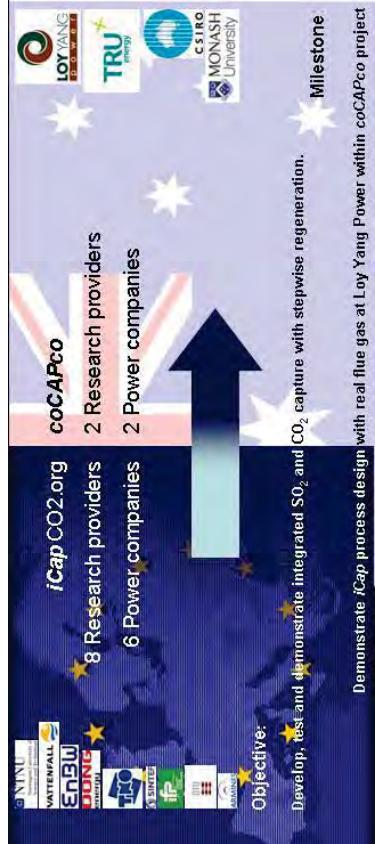
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## 6 EU-AU projects - 25 M€ (2013 - 2018)



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## Overview

# Australian twinning Organisations

- CSIRO
- CO2CRC
- University of Melbourne
- Monash University
- Australia National University
- University of Queensland
- University of Sydney

Venue: UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

The University of Melbourne  
40 College Crescent, Parkville VIC 3052

25 March - First day of workshop

9:00 am – 5:30 pm: Presentations



6:30 am – 9:00 pm: Workshop dinner (sponsored by GCCSI)  
(Il Vicolo restaurant, 50 Grattan Street, Carlton)

26 March – Second day of workshops

9:00 am – 5:00 pm: Presentations

27 March – Visit to Latrobe Valley (sponsored by BCI)



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13:30-14:00	Comparative overview of costs for capture technologies
14:00-14:30	Benchmarking of carbon capture technologies in development
14:30-15:00	Coffee Break
15:00-16:15	Discussion_2, speakers in panel Theme: Industrial applications of membranes and methodologies for technology evaluations
16:15-16:30	Workshop wrap-up and Closure

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## Site visit to Latrobe Valley – 27 March 2015

8:00 am Departure from Melbourne (City Tempo hotel, 353 Queen Street)  
11:00 am – arrival at AGL Loy Yang  
1:00 pm – Lunch in Café Aura in Traralgon  
2:00 pm – Departure to Melbourne  
5:00 pm – Arrival in Melbourne (City Tempo hotel, 353 Queen Street)



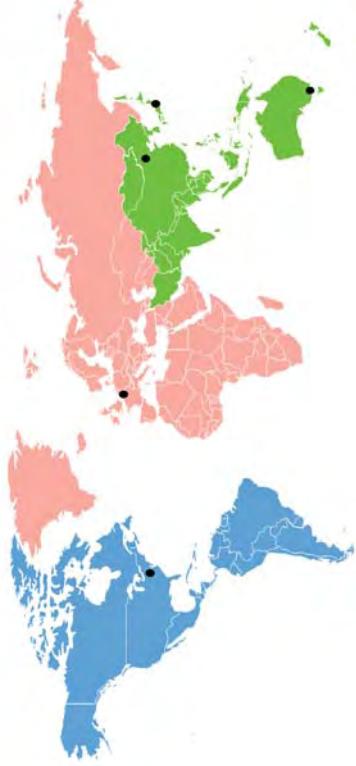
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## The global status of carbon capture technology

Clare Penrose, General Manager – Asia Pacific  
EU-Australia Workshop, 25 March 2015, Melbourne



- Knowledge sharing
- R&D coordination
- International collaboration
- Global networks and regional networks
- Fact-based advice and advocacy

<http://www.globalccsinstitute.com/publications>

<http://decarboni.se/>

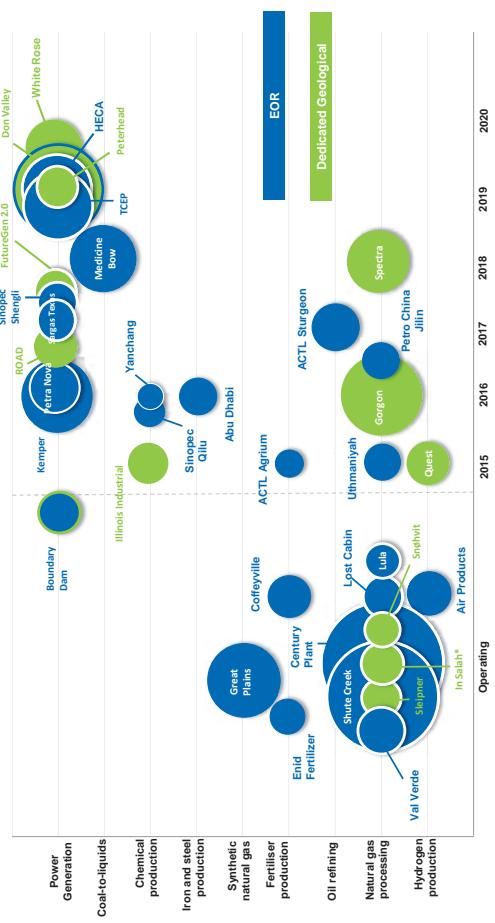
<http://co2degrees.com>

 **CCS is critical if we are to achieve climate goals**

Percentage increase in total discounted mitigation costs (2015-2100) relative to default technology assumptions – median estimate



 **Actual and expected operation dates for projects in operation, construction and advanced planning**



\*Indicates current suspended



## Key messages for capture technology development



Courtesy of SaskPower

### A few highlights:

- Original capacity: 139MW
- Expected: 110 MW
- Actual: 120MW
- Estimated steam consumption: ~2.5 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub> (4.0GJ/t for conventional MEA)
- Utilization of concrete as materials for absorbers and amine tanks

- Capture components accounts for the majority of the cost in the CCS chain
  - For example, in power generation 70-90% of the overall cost of a large scale CCS project can be driven by capture and compression processes
- Goal is to reduce the capital and operational costs associated with CO<sub>2</sub> capture, particularly in new applications, such as power sector and new industrial processes
- Efforts to reduce costs include:
  - Learning by doing, through successful CCS demonstrations in power sector and additional industrial applications;
  - Continuing R&D across a range of capture technologies
  - Coordinated efforts in knowledge sharing and collaboration



To develop environmentally and socially acceptable, cost effective carbon capture and storage solutions for a carbon constrained world

## The Peter Cook Centre for CCS Research



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## Our Partners

- Established at the University of Melbourne
- Support from
  - CO2CRC
  - Rio Tinto
  - State Government of Victoria's Department of State Development, Business and Innovation (DSDBI)
- Australian Government's Education Infrastructure Fund provides further support for new laboratories facilities



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## Research and Technical Directions



### 1. Carbon Capture

- developing and demonstrating technologies that will significantly reduce the costs of capturing CO<sub>2</sub>
- minimising the environmental footprint of energy production



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## 2. Carbon Storage

- developing a deeper understanding of the process of storing CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface structures
- reducing the risks associated with storage
- developing appropriate monitoring and control technologies
- ensuring societal acceptance



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- Major goal:
  - to develop the next generation of professional engineers and scientists
- Achieved by:
  - Developing short-term training and research opportunities for students and early career researchers
  - A number of research positions (PhD programs) are available



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## Current Resources

- **Personnel**
  - 20 research scientists and engineers
  - 17 postgraduate students in residence
  - 3 research assistants

## Overview

- Drivers for CCS in Australia
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage in Australia
- Towards safe CO<sub>2</sub> storage demonstration
- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Demonstration
- CCS R&D funding support
- Activities CO2CRC
- Post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture at CSIRO



## CCS in Australia

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Paul Feron

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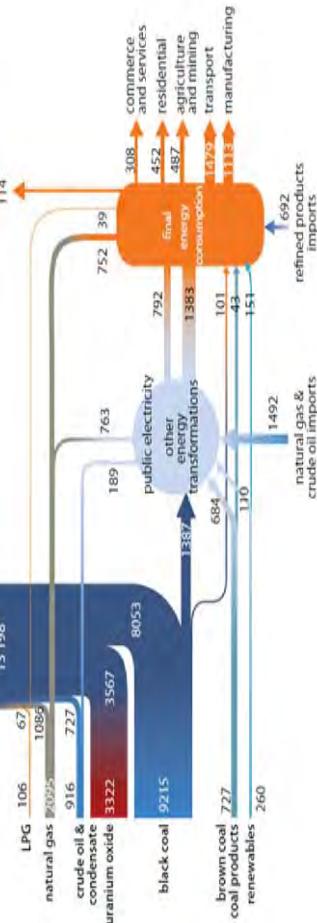


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## Drivers for CCS in Australia

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## Australia's energy flows: 2010-11 (petajoules)



Source: BREEF 2012, Australian Energy Statistics

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## Coal is important for Australia

- Australia is the world's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest coal exporter
- Coal is Australia's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest export earner (\$45B in 2010-11)
- Most of Australia's electricity is produced from pulverised coal fired boilers (52% black coal, 23% brown coal in 2009-10)
  - Generation capacity ~ 28 GW
    - Electricity production ~ 170 TWh/a
    - CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions ~ 170 Mtonne CO<sub>2</sub>/a from ~ 60 flue gas streams

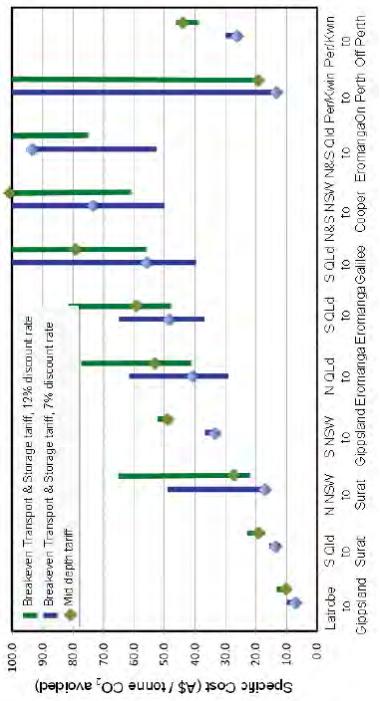


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## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage (CCS) in Australia

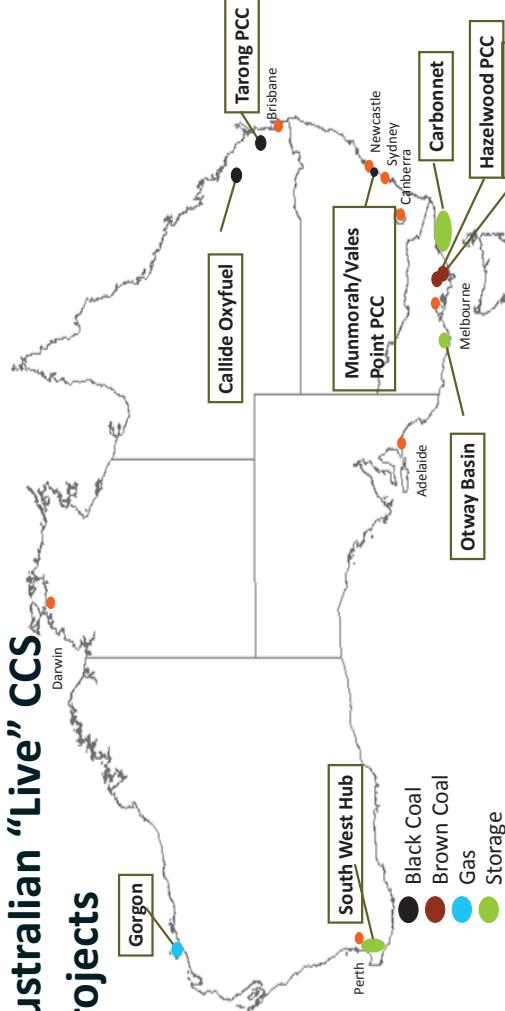
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## National Carbon Mapping and Infrastructure plan - 2009



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## Australian "Live" CCS projects



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## Gorgon Project Overview

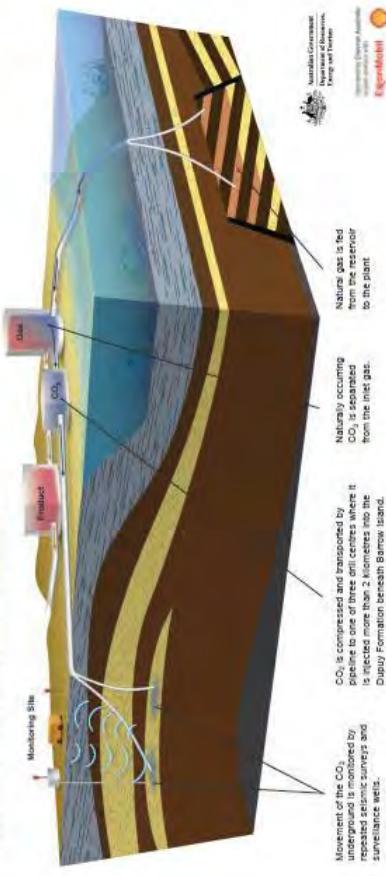
# Towards safe CO<sub>2</sub> storage demonstration



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## Chevron-operated Gorgon Project

Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Injection Project



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## Australian CCS Flagships

1. South West Hub project, Western Australia (from June 2011)
  2. CarbonNet project, Victoria (from February 2012)
- The initial focus on proving up geological storage at each of these locations
- \$820 M investment in CCS deployment
- \$100 M from Education Investment Fund

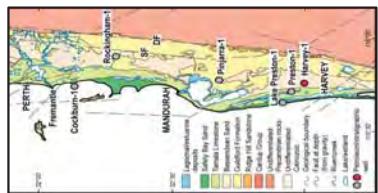
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## Supporting Commercial Scale Storage

- South West Hub CCS
- NGL
  - Location: 110km south of Perth, WA
  - WA DMP pre-competitive data acquisition
  - Stage gated approach
  - Greenfield site with little pre-existing data
  - Supporting data acquisition, synthesis and interpretation for Site Characterisation
  - Deployment of dedicated equipment



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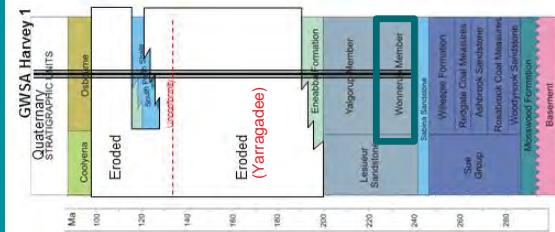
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## SWH Site Characterisation

- Harvey-1 (2012)
  - Drilled to 2945m, 217 m cored intervals, logs etc
  - R&D Project outcomes on ANLEC R&D website
- Harvey-2, -3 & -4 drilling now (2015)
  - Shallow wells, 2 are mineral rigs, with continuous core through confining layers
- Harvey-5 (late 2015/early 2016)
  - Deeper well to characterise target injection interval in different fault block
- Seismic Activities
  - 2D survey on roads (2011); 2D shallow survey (2013); 3D survey over 115km<sup>2</sup> (2014); nested high resolution survey (2015)
- Future activities
  - Data integration across the area and updated models
  - Testing, testing....!

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## NGL Facilities

- Organic and inorganic geochemistry laboratories
- Sensors laboratory
- Rock mechanics, including petrophysics, core flooding and computer tomography
- CO<sub>2</sub> processing and sequestration laboratory (UWA)
- Mobile (containerised) geophysical and geochemical laboratories
- 3D immersive visualisation
- Surface and down-hole seismic sources
- Seismic recording and geophysical data acquisition
- Environmental (shallow groundwater, soil and atmospheric) monitoring
- Calibration and training facilities, including a 900m borehole (Curtin)
- “In situ” laboratory (SWH)



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## The CarbonNet Project



- Investigating the potential for a commercial-scale, multi-user CCS network in Gippsland, Victoria, Australia

Funded by the Australian Government & the State of Victoria

- Capturing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from industrial sources and injecting it for storage in rock formations deep below the sea bed
- Working collaboratively with industry

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## The CarbonNet Project

- Provide scalable infrastructure to underpin growth and development of a commercial scale CCS network
  - Foundation project: 1 to 5 mt of CO<sub>2</sub> pa for 25 years
  - Expansion phase: up to 20 mt of CO<sub>2</sub> pa
- Common user pipeline and storage infrastructure
  - Hub based concept
  - Minimise conflicts with petroleum activities
- Foundation storage sites focused on near shore zone
  - Over the longer term there is potential to use depleted oil and gas fields as production ceases

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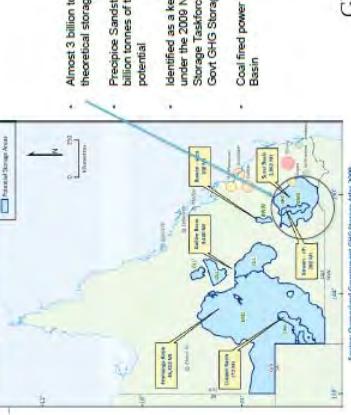
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## CTSCo's Surat Basin integrated CCS project

### Surat Basin has significant potential

However, part of the Great Artesian Basin



GLENCORE Alan Durnee, Perth, Feb 2015

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## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Demonstration

- Known geology for trial injection of CO<sub>2</sub> at 60 ktpa for three years to permit the option of 120ktpa injection for many years after that
- Deploy currently available, 'industrially scalable' modular PCC technology to minimise technology risk – several choices available
- Industry funded (A/ATE) Glencore hosted project
- Test injection on Glencore land with no overapping CSG rights delivers lower social licence risk
- Sensitive Social Licence environment
- Supportive Greenhouse Gas legislation in Queensland

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## Callide Oxyfuel Project



- 30 MW<sub>e</sub> Oxyfuel boiler,
- 2 x 330 TPD ASU's
- 75 TPD CO<sub>2</sub> Capture
- CAPEX \$180M; OPEX \$65M

1. > 10,000 hours overall boiler operation
2. > 7,500 hours of actual oxy-firing operation
3. > 3,700 hours of CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant operation
4. Demonstrated sustained operation under oxy-firing conditions
5. Demonstrated boiler turn-down to 50% Load Factor
6. Demonstrated CO<sub>2</sub> capture rates > 85%
7. Demonstrated high purity of CO<sub>2</sub> product



Chris Spero – National CCS Conference 2014

## CCS R&D funding support



## R&D Funding organisations

### ➤ ANLEEC R&D - \$150 M

- Accelerate the technology development cycle by making accessible the knowledge and skills that reduce the risk and/or cost of developing and deploying Low Emissions Coal Technology (LECT) in Australia.

- 50/50 Commonwealth – Coal Industry
  - Targeted research - Alternatives/Fundamentals (\$ 35 M)



BROWN COAL  
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Improving Brown Coal + Syngas Markets

ANLEEC&D

- Developing research, technologies and people to reduce the environmental impact - and deliver social and economic benefits - from sustainable use of brown coal

- Membership based organisation including international members

## Activities CO<sub>2</sub>CRC



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## CO2CRC: one of the world's leading CCS research organisations

- R&D across the CCS value chain
- Brings industry sectors together (coal, gas, power, etc) to provide an exceptional stakeholder base
- Brings together Commonwealth, States, local government and the community in the Otway Project
- Includes major research institutions - CSIRO, Geoscience Australia, Universities, major overseas institutions eg. LBNL( USA), KIGAM(Korea)
- Over 150 leading researchers in CCS
- Broad international perspective and experience
- Successful track record in running major CCS facilities

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## Participants



## CO2CRC research portfolio

<b>Capture</b>	<b>Storage</b>	<b>Economics, Risk &amp; Finance</b>	<b>Environmental Monitoring &amp; Communities</b>
R&D Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finding &amp; characterising storage</li> <li>Managing storage</li> <li>Subsurface MMV</li> <li>Failure &amp; mitigation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capture economics</li> <li>Storage economics</li> <li>Network economics</li> <li>Economics &amp; policy</li> <li>Risk methodologies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marine MMV</li> <li>Induced Seismic</li> <li>Atmospheric monitoring</li> <li>Near surface pressure effects</li> <li>Community engagement</li> <li>Education &amp; training</li> </ul>
<b>Demonstration</b>	<b>Otway</b>	<b>Dynamic Modelling</b>	<b>Field Research</b>
Pilot & small demos	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Priority subsurface program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CCS chain dynamics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gippsland MMV</li> <li>Community engagement</li> </ul>

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## CO2CRC Otway Project



The CO2CRC Otway Project is Australia's first demonstration of the deep geological storage or geosequestration of carbon dioxide ( $\text{CO}_2$ ), the most common greenhouse gas.

- Stored over 65,000 t  $\text{CO}_2$
- World first residual trapping study

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## CO2CRC Storage Research Highlights



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## CO2CRC Capture Research Achievements

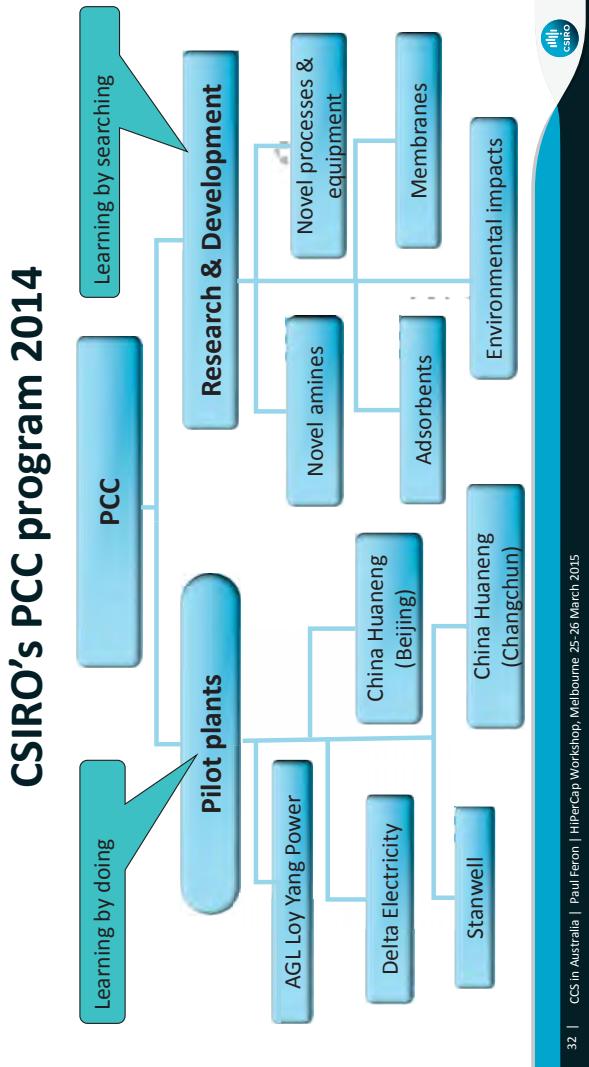
- Post-combustion field facilities for solvents, adsorbents and membranes.
- Patented potassium carbonate solvent.
- Testing of nanofiltration and electrodialysis for heat stable salt removal.
- Patented pelletization technique for PEI adsorbents.
- Identified trapdoor mechanisms of chabazite adsorbent for CH<sub>4</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub> separation.
- Rapid screening and process cycle tools for adsorbents.
- Patented flat sheet CAP gas membrane fabrication process.
- Fabrication and testing of high performance hollow fibres for post-combustion capture.
- Fabrication of inorganic metal oxide silica membrane for CO<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub> separation.



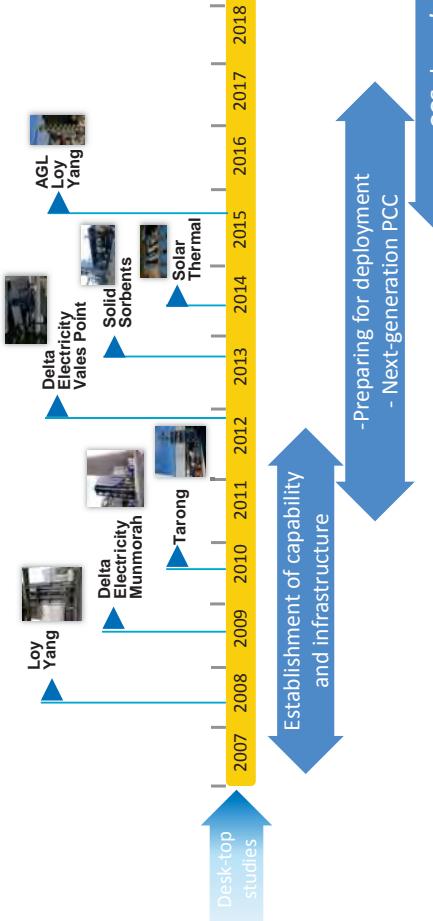
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## Post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture at CSIRO

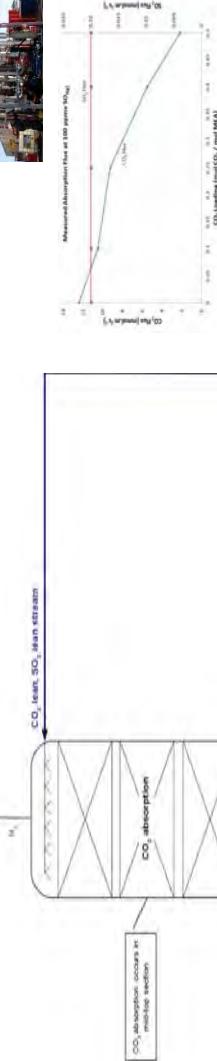


## Piloting PCC Technologies in Australia



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## Integrated Single Stream SO<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> Capture (Dr. Erik Meuleman)



Puxty et al., 2012, WO2012\_097406

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## Rotating Liquid Sheet contactor (Dr. Leigh Wardhaugh)

### Basic principles

- Surface area of stabilized liquid sheet greater than that resulting droplets.
- Rotating liquid surface proven experimentally to pump gas .
- Centrifugal + liquid pumping force creates interfacial area.

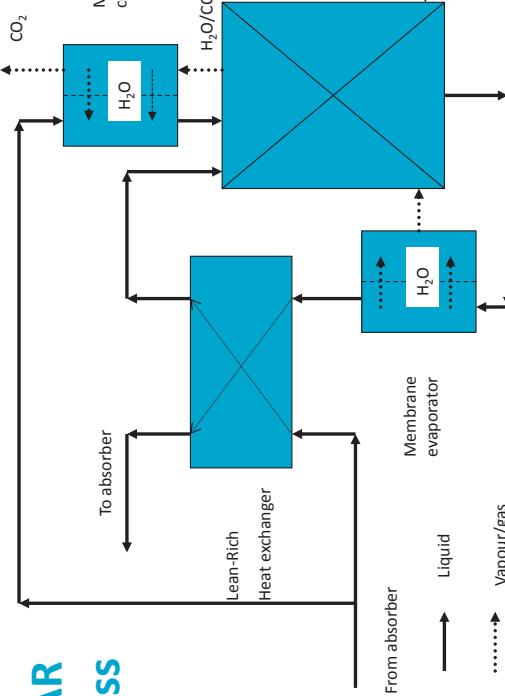
### Advantages

- Higher gas velocities possible.
- Liquid entrainment significantly reduced
- Suitable for viscous solvents
- Scale-up to commercial scale
- Liquid residence time low



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## MALAR Process



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## Emission issues addressed via integrated approach (Dr. Merched Azzi)

### 1. Formation of potentially harmful components

- Absorbent degradation in absorber
- Absorbent degradation in desorber

### 2. Emission analysis

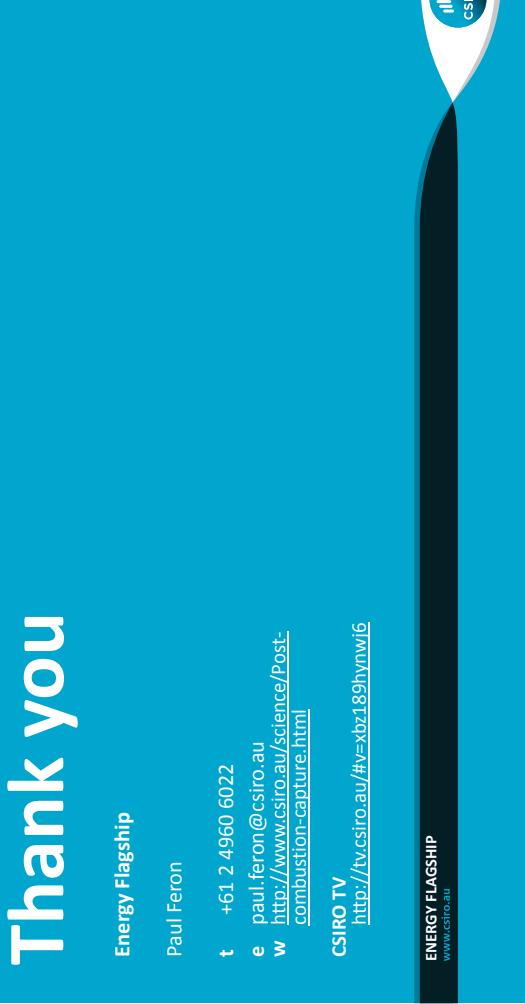
- Estimation of concentrations using process models
- Actual measurements in pilot plants
- Smog chamber to investigate atmospheric degradation
- Updating dispersion models with atmospheric chemistry

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## Perspective on PCC cost reductions in Australia



## Key research and engagement partners in PCC



# HiPerCap - High Performance Capture

FP7 Grant agreement n° 608555

## HiPerCap Overview

Hanne Kvamsdal, Co-ordinator

Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, 25th -27th March 2015



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## Main facts

- HiPerCap is funded by EU
- Call specifically important twinning with Australian partners and projects
- Integrated with 5 other projects within the same call
- Budget:
  - Total: 7.7 M€
  - From EU: 4.9 M€
- Duration:
  - 4 years started January 2014
  - WPI-4: year 1-3
  - WPI-5: year 4



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## Main objectives

1. Develop environmentally benign energy- and cost-efficient technologies for post-combustion capture
  - ✓ Absorption
  - ✓ Adsorption
  - ✓ Membranes

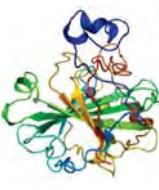


2. Develop a methodology for fair comparison and benchmarking of the technologies
  - Reduce the total efficiency penalty by 25% compared to state-of-the-art capture technology
    - ✓ demonstrated in the EU project CESAR
  - Deliver proof-of-concepts for each technology
  - Improve the process designs to reduce capital and operating costs, considering aspects such as :
    - ✓ environmental impact
    - ✓ operability and flexibility
    - ✓ size of equipment
    - ✓ choice of materials
  - Assess technologies and processes for selection:
    - Two most promising breakthrough capture processes
    - Establish a technological roadmap for the further development



## Objectives - more specifically:

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## WP1 Absorption based technologies (1)

(WP-leader: Peter van Os from TNO)

- Task 1.1 Enzyme catalysis of CO<sub>2</sub> absorption**
- Idea: Enzymes in the solvents can drastically accelerate the capture of CO<sub>2</sub>
  - In the project: test carbonic anhydrase and developed an optimized process
  - Challenges: keep the enzymes stable throughout the whole process and separation of enzymes prior the desorption

### Task 1.2: Precipitating solvent systems

- Idea: Only the CO<sub>2</sub> part (small stream) of the total solvent system needs regeneration and higher regeneration pressure (lower CO<sub>2</sub> compression work) and no harmful emission (amino acids)
- In the project: developed an optimized process
- Challenge: Control absorption and precipitation and development of large scale slurry process

## WP1 Absorption based technologies (2) HiPer<sup>CO<sub>2</sub></sup>

(WP-leader: Peter van Os from TNO)

### Task 1.3: Strong bicarbonate forming solvents

- **Idea:** Bicarbonate forming amines with a high pKa will accelerate reactions kinetics and also allows to regenerate at lower temperatures
- **In the project:** Determine 2-3 promising candidates for detail studies
- **Challenge:** Many candidates. Potentially low absorption rates. A promoter might be required.

### Task 1.4: Integration of CO<sub>2</sub> absorption with CO<sub>2</sub> utilization

- **Idea:** use the loaded solvent as "food" for the algae, which will eat the CO<sub>2</sub> and then produce biomass
- **In the project:** Test a combination of an absorber and a bioreactor and select a suitable algae strain
- **Challenge:** Selection of solvent which is attractive to the algae, but not eaten by the algae.



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## WP1 Absorption based technologies (3) HiPer<sup>CO<sub>2</sub></sup>

(WP-leader: Peter van Os from TNO)

### Task 1.5: Study of bio-mimicking systems

- **Idea:** Fundamental study of CO<sub>2</sub> binding mechanisms in nature and determine processes for utilization industrially. Input to development in other tasks (1.1, 1.2, and 3.1).
- **In the project:** Reviewing and assessment of potential applicability of biological CO<sub>2</sub> binding processes. Some screening experiments
- **Challenges:** define possible systems

### Task 1.6: Process modelling and simulation

- **In the project:** Model and simulate concepts from tasks 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 as input to benchmarking in WP4
- **Challenges:** interactions with the other tasks and WP4, lack of proper data and modelling assumptions

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## WP2 Adsorption based technologies HiPer<sup>CO<sub>2</sub></sup>

(WP-leader: Cova Pevida from CSIC)

### Task 2.1: Sorbent development

- **Idea:** Development of low temperature solid sorbents:
  1. High surface area
  2. Low-cost carbon-based
- **In the project:** production and characterization
- **Challenges:** attain the performance targets

### Task 2.2: Process development

- **Idea:** Two temperature swing processes:
  1. Fixed beds
  2. Moving beds
- **In the project:** Lab and semi-pilot testing
- **Challenge:** the process heat efficiency strongly depend on the selected design

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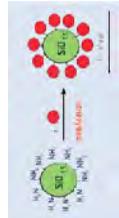
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## WP3 Membrane based technologies

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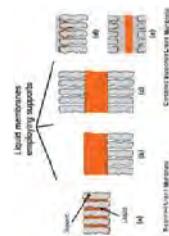
### Task 3.1: Hybrid membrane development

- **Idea:** Develop a high flux mixed matrix membrane based on incorporation of nanoparticles in a polymer
- **In the project:** production and study on transport phenomena
- **Challenges:** attain the performance targets



### Task 3.2: Supported ionic liquid membranes (SILMs) development

- **Idea:** Develop supported ionic liquid membranes
- **In the project:** development and preparation and performance testing
- **Challenges:** attain the performance targets



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**HiPer<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>**

## WP3 Membrane based technologies

**WP-leader:** May-Britt Hägg from NTNU

### Task 3.3 : Process modelling and simulation

- **In the project:** Model and simulate concepts based on work in Tasks 3.1 and 3.2 as input to benchmarking in WP4
- **Challenges:** interactions with the other tasks and WP4, lack of proper data and modelling assumptions

### Task 3.3 : Process modelling and simulation

- **In the project:** Model and simulate concepts based on work in Tasks 3.1 and 3.2 as input to benchmarking in WP4
- **Challenges:** interactions with the other tasks and WP4, lack of proper data and modelling assumptions

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## WP4 Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies (2)

**WP-leader:** Jock Brown from DNVGL

### Task 4.1: Establishment of assessment methodology

- **Idea:**
  1. Screening on basic information availability
    - ✓ Creating a minimum level of principle and conceptual knowledge of a capture process
  2. Bring the concepts and technologies to the level of a process or applications
    - ✓ The novel capture technology imbedded in an application or process
  3. Consistent way of scaling up to representative scale of application
    - ✓ Using modelling and/or engineering approaches
- **In the project:** Definition of base case(s), reference capture technology, system boundaries, modeling approaches/assumptions, comparison criteria etc.
- **Challenge:** define a methodology which is really fair for all technologies involved

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## Task 4.3: Assessment of capture technologies studied in WP1-3

- Idea: 3 steps procedure
- In the project:
  1. Assessment of each technology
  2. Comparison and benchmarking against the reference technology
  3. Assessment and if necessary update of the chosen methodology (input to Task 4.1)
- Challenge: Uncertainty range for the various technologies

## WP4 Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies (4)

### WP-leader: [Jock Brown from DNVGL](#)

## Task 4.4: Guidelines for selection and benchmarking of the two breakthrough technologies studied in WP5

- Idea: Establish guidelines for selection of two promising technologies for further studies and benchmarking (selection will be supported by all partners)
- In the project: The guidelines will be based on the previous work in the other tasks and results from 4.3, but also discussed in the interest group and with the whole consortium
- Challenge: agreed guidelines supported by all partners in the consortium

## Task 5.1 Detailed study of selected capture technology 1

## Task 5.2 Detailed study of selected capture technology 2

For both tasks:

- Idea: Establish a roadmap for demonstration of the technology
- In the project: Identification of any knowledge gaps and plan for demonstration at industrial pilot plant. Other activities might be additional experiments in the lab, improved models and further optimization.
- Challenge: Limited budget

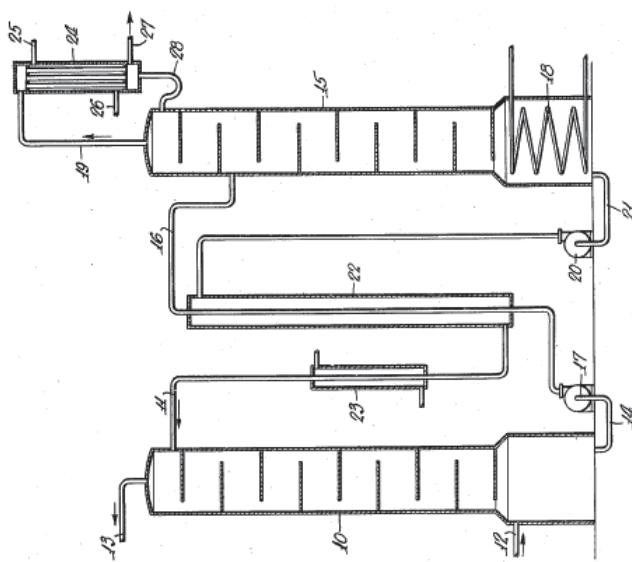
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- WP6: Project Management
- ✓ WP-leader: [Hanne Kvamsdal](#)
- WP7: Dissemination outside of the consortium
- ✓ WP-leader: [Hanne Kvamsdal](#)
- ✓ Arranging two workshops (Australia 2015, Europe 2017)
- ✓ Presentations at international conferences (GHGT-12, PCCC-3 and others)
- ✓ Web-site: [www.sintef.no/hiperCap](http://www.sintef.no/hiperCap)
- WP8: Collaboration with an Australian partner
- ✓ WP-leader: [Paul Feron in CSIRO](#)
- ✓ CSIRO will be a working partner in HiPerCap and contribute to WP 1, 2, 3, and 7.

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## HiPerCap High Performance Capture

### Absorption Systems



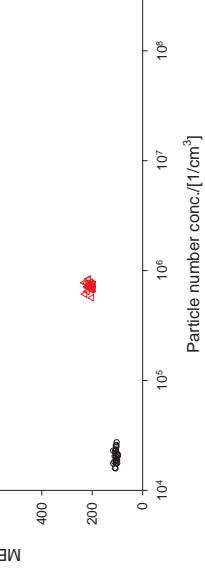
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### Emission



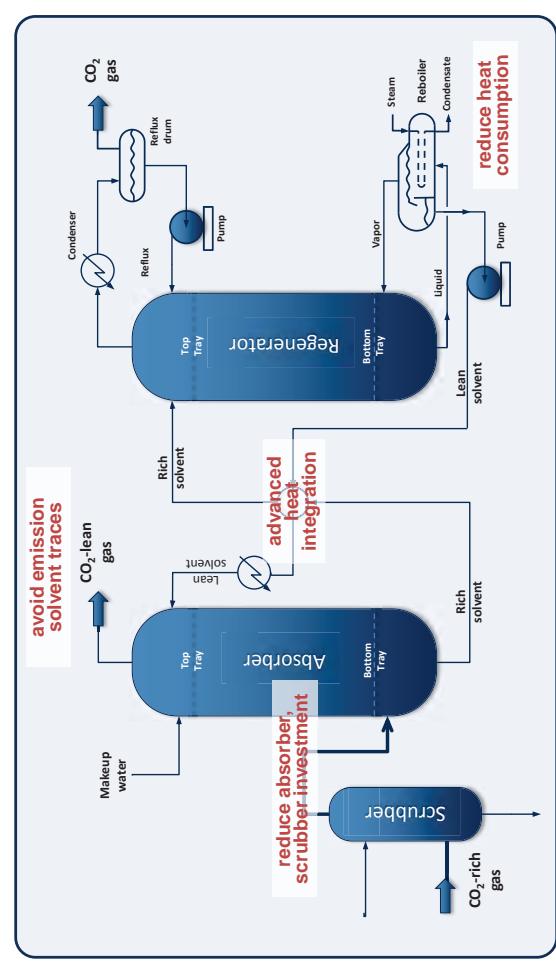
Volatile emission

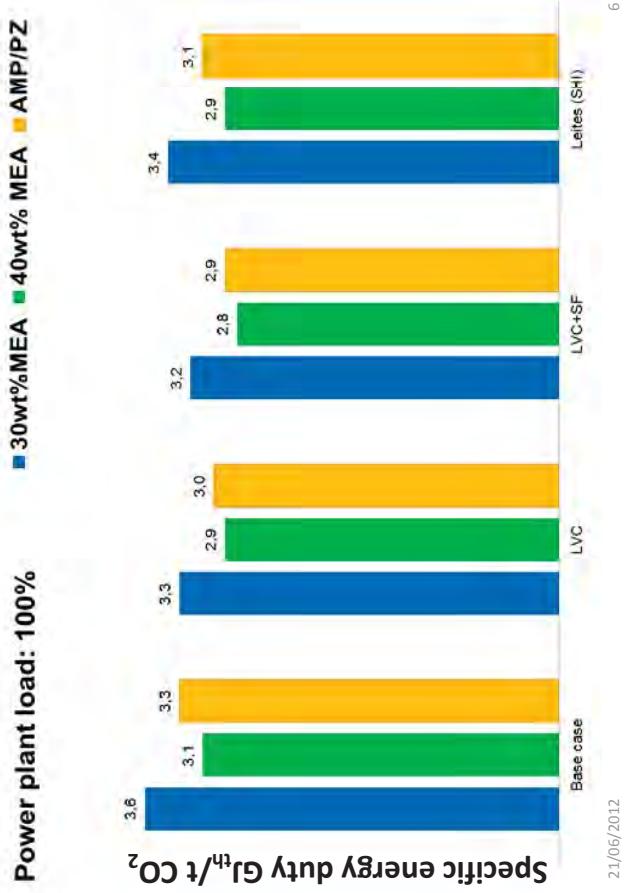
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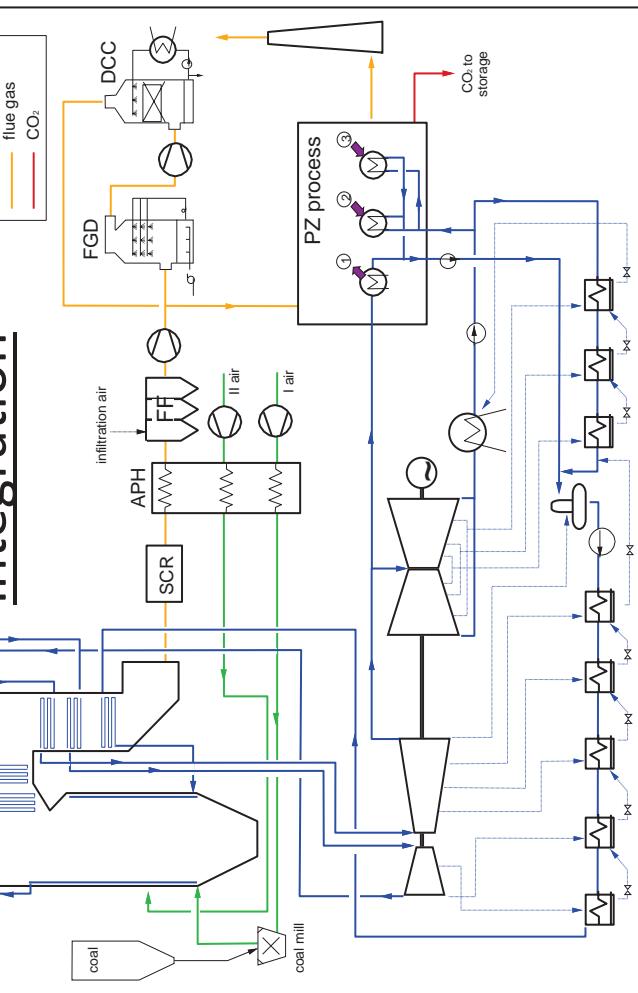
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### Challenges Post-combustion Capture



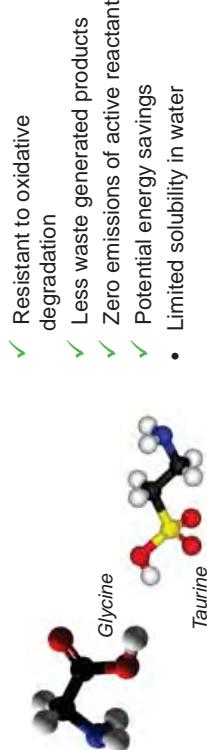


## Precipitating solvent systems

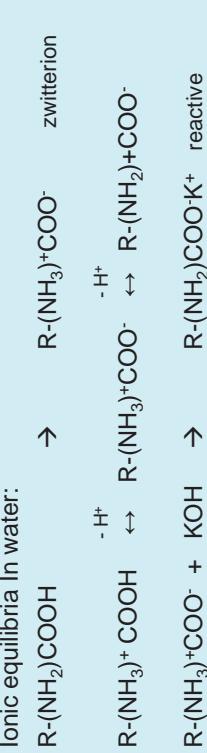


- Enzymatic catalysed CO<sub>2</sub> capture
- Biomimicking
- Strong bicarbonate formers
- Precipitating solvent systems
- Capture integrated with algae cultivation

## CO<sub>2</sub> absorption with amino acid salts



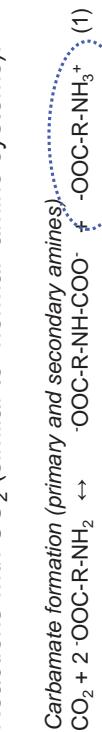
Ionic equilibria in water:



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## Why do you get higher capacity?

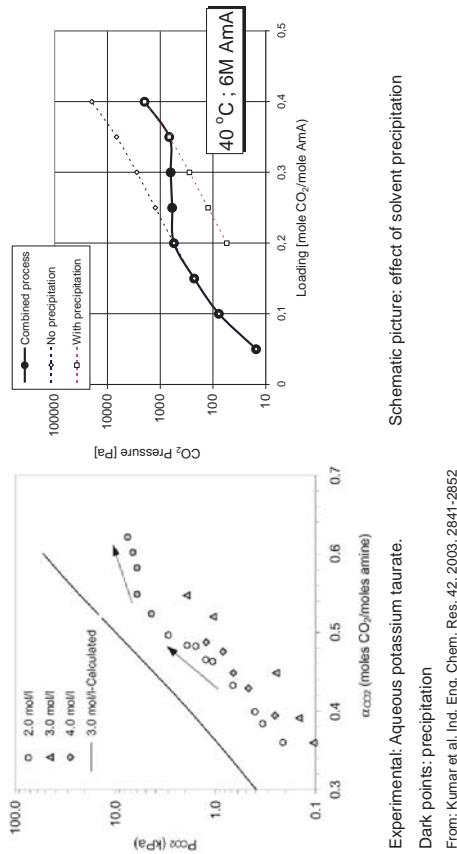
Reactions with CO<sub>2</sub> (similar to "normal" amine systems):



Removed by precipitation

## Effect of solid precipitation

Enhanced absorption capacity: DECA<sub>B</sub> principle



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## Working with solids in the process

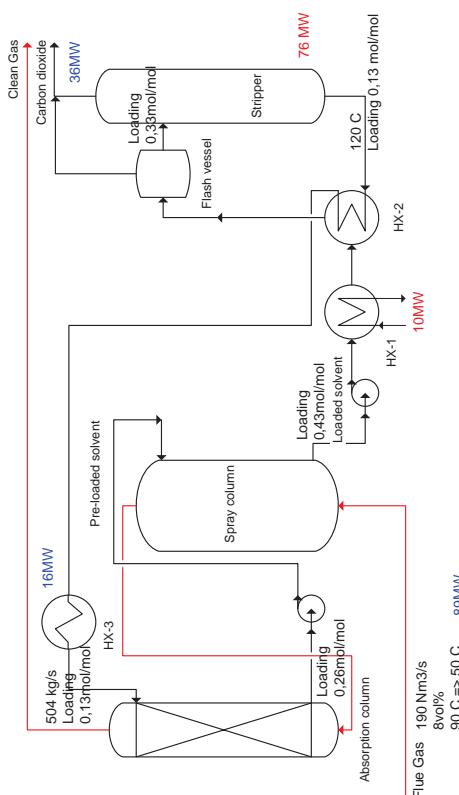
- Controlled precipitation of the solvent
- Solids should appear where they can be handled
- Equipment selected for solids handling
- Process complexity increased

Working with solids IF there is an economic breakthrough

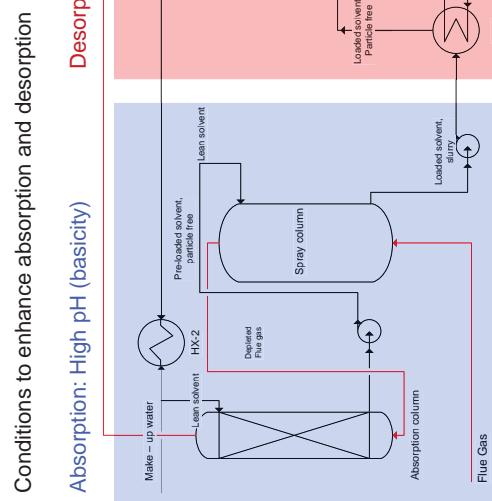
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## From DE CAB to DE CAB+

## DECAB Process (Design & Modelling Results)



The pH shift increases the partial pressure of CO<sub>2</sub> at a given loading

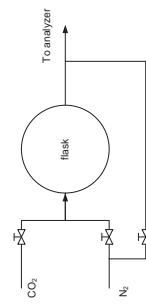


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## Proof of principle

Liquid removed Vol (%)	Conc. M	T C	Rich Loading mol/mol	Lean Loading mol/mol
0%	4	74.1	0.65	0.36
21%	4.3	77.1	0.65	0.3
42%	4.9	76	0.65	0.17
0%	4	89.7	0.65	0.24
21%	4.3	95.4	0.65	0.13
42%	4.9	93.7	0.65	0.09

Low lean loadings are possible at relatively low temperatures



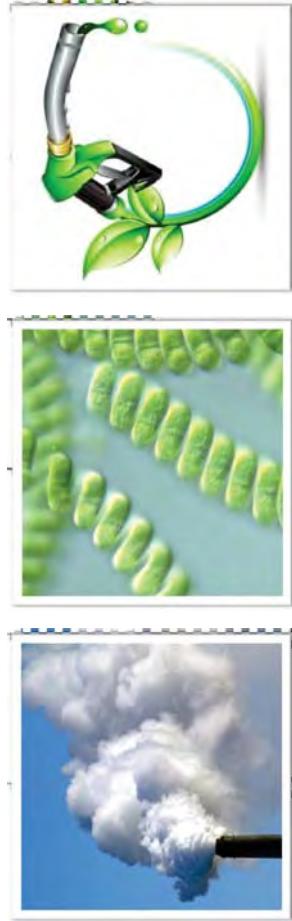
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## Key advantages of DECAF<sup>+</sup>

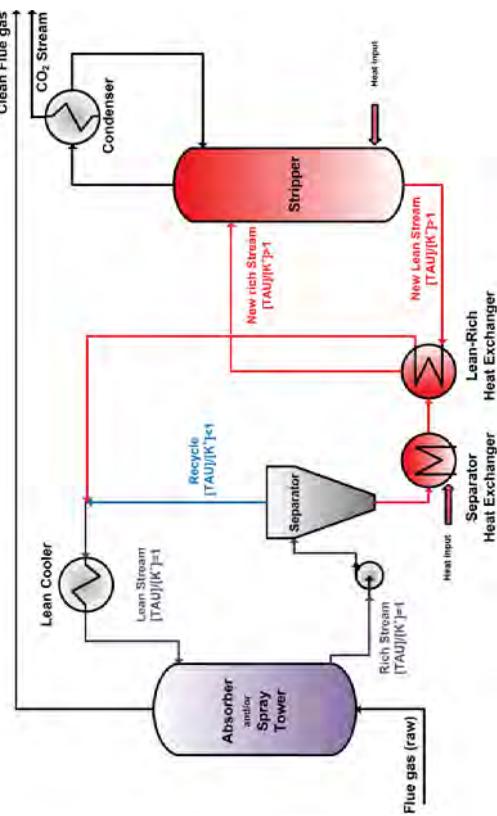
- Low desorption temperature
  - Possibility to use low grade heat / waste heat (Ideal for the refinery case)
  - Possibility to achieve lower lean loadings without increasing reboiler temperature (Ideal for streams with low CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations such as flue gas from gas turbines combustion)
- High pressure desorption
  - Lower operating costs due to enhanced desorption
- All environmental advantages from amino acids

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## CO<sub>2</sub> capture algae cultivation



## DECAB<sup>+</sup> Process Concept



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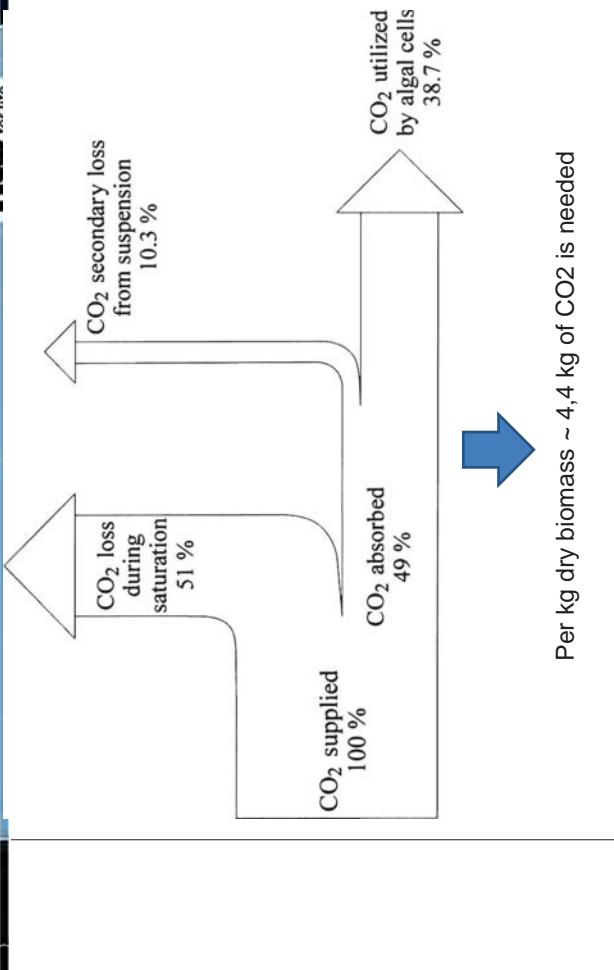
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## EXAMPLES OF HIGH PRODUCTIVITY BIOMASS

Biomass community	Location	Yield (t.d.w. ha <sup>-1</sup> y <sup>-1</sup> )	Photosynthetic efficiency (%)
Hybrid poplar ( <i>Populus spp.</i> ) (C3)	Minnesota	8 - 11	0.3- 0.4
Water hyacinth ( <i>Eichornia crassipes</i> )	Mississippi	11 - 33 (>150)	0.3- 0.9
Switch grass ( <i>Panicum virgatum</i> ) (C4)	Texas	8-20	0.2- 0.6
Sweet sorghum ( <i>Sorghum bicolor</i> ) (C4)	Texas-California	22 - 47	0.6-1.0
Coniferous forest	England	34	1.8
Maize ( <i>Zea mays</i> ) (C4)	Israel	34	0.8
Tree plantation	Congo	36	1.0
Tropical forest	West Indies	60	1.6
<b>Algae</b>	Different locations	70	2-2.5
Sugar cane ( <i>Saccharum officinarum</i> )	Hawaii-Java	64-87	1.8-2.6
Napier grass ( <i>Pennisetum purpureum</i> )	Hawaii, Puerto Rico	85-106	2.2-2.8

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Per kg dry biomass ~ 4,4 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> is needed

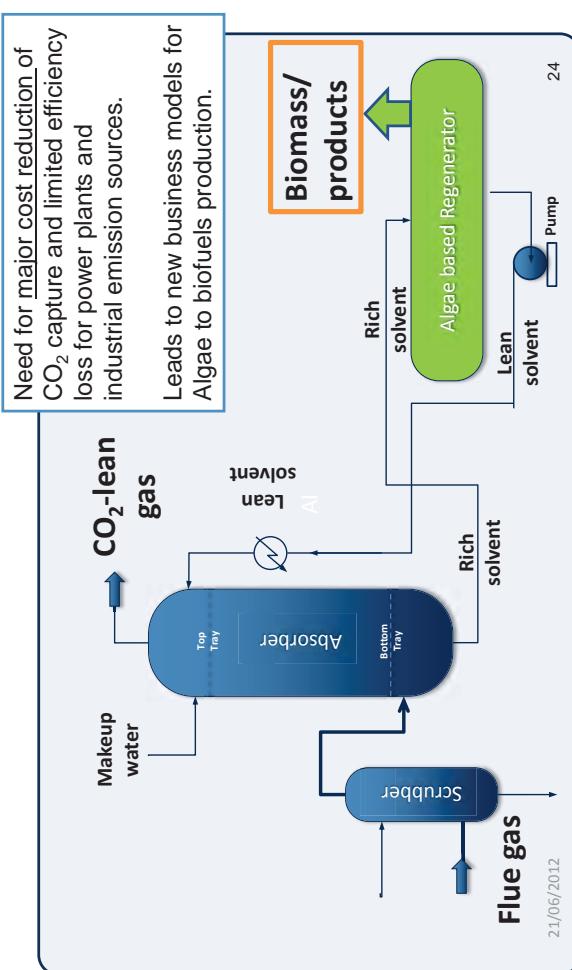
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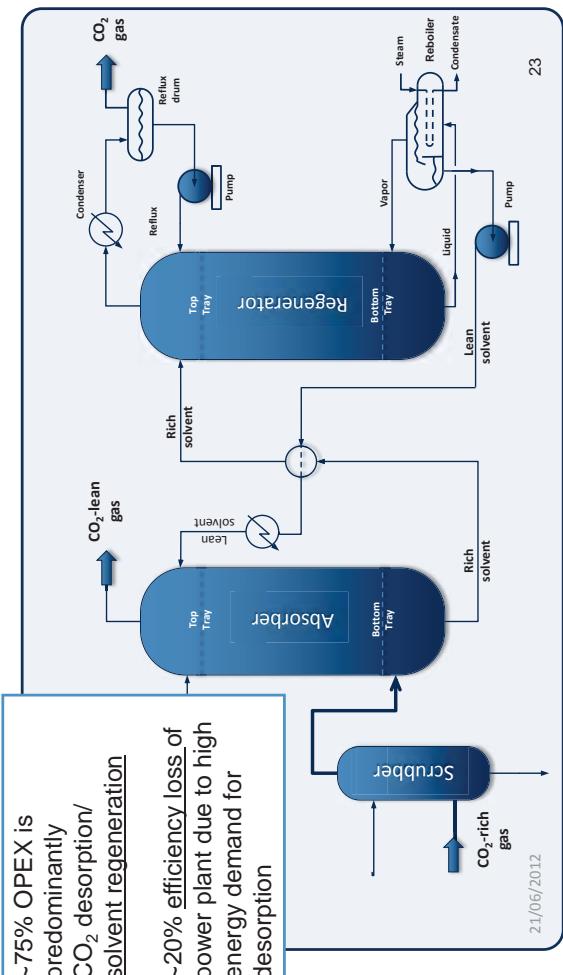
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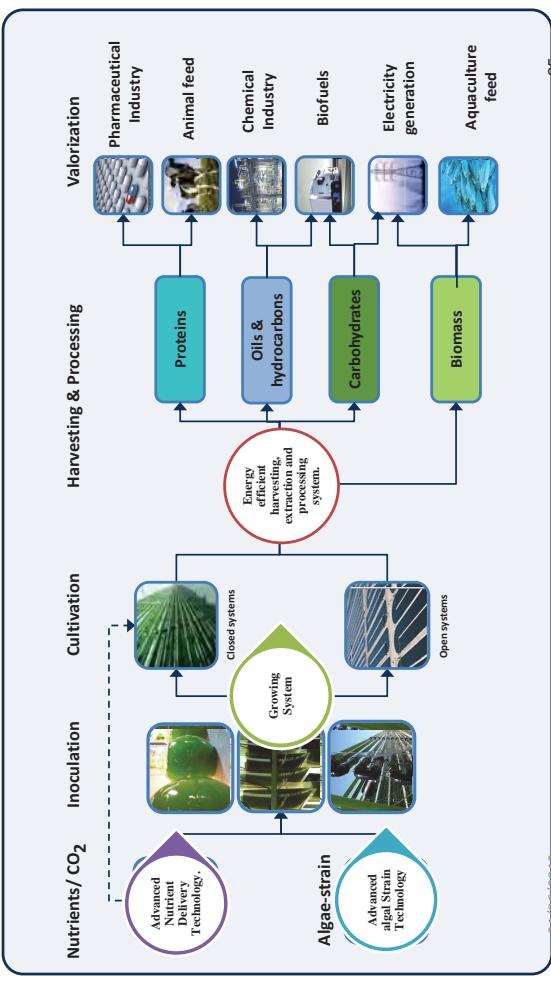


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## From algae to products – improvement options



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### Limitation: Mutual shading

Decreased light penetration  
= Slower growth  
= Lower biomass density



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Solution: Light efficient strains  
Same algal density **1.5 gr/ltr**

Wild strain  
Improved Strain



Max. algal cell density of **8 gr/ltr** for  
Light Efficient Strain

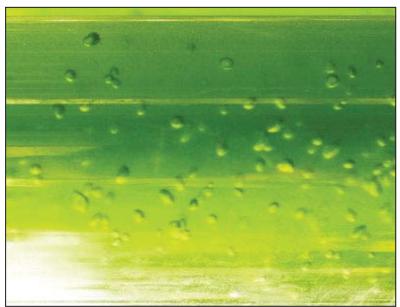
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**Advanced Nutrient Delivery Technology.**

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## Efficient CO<sub>2</sub>-nutrient feeding

current state-of-the-art



Flue gas washing/bubbling  
(diluted CO<sub>2</sub> stream)

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Pure CO<sub>2</sub> bubbling

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## Two possible routes researched at TNO

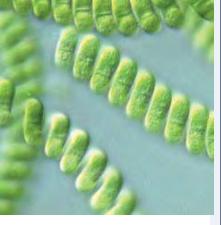
**Enzyme promoted CO<sub>2</sub> capture**

- Carbonic Anhydrase enhances the uptake rate of CO<sub>2</sub> into an absorption liquid
- Algae regenerate the carbonate-based absorption liquid

**Amine based CO<sub>2</sub> capture**

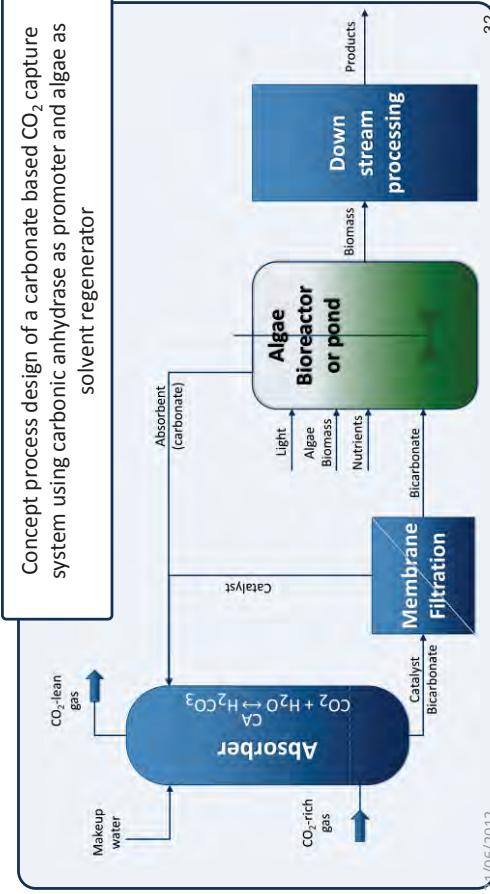
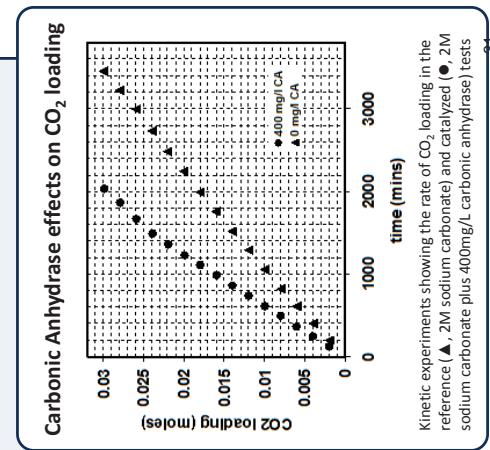
- Cultivation of algae directly on CO<sub>2</sub> "captured" in amine-based solvents
- Algae regenerate solvent which can be reused for CO<sub>2</sub> capture

*Spirulina platensis*



<http://www.researchgate.net/publication/240294888>

## Route 1: Enzyme promoted CO<sub>2</sub> capture



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## Route 2: Combining CO<sub>2</sub> capture with amine based solvents & algae cultivation

- The uptake of CO<sub>2</sub> by a amine-based solvent
- CO<sub>2</sub> stripping of solvent by consumption through algae in a solvent & medium solution
- Recycle of the solvent for new cycle of CO<sub>2</sub> uptake
- The algae biomass can be used for product.

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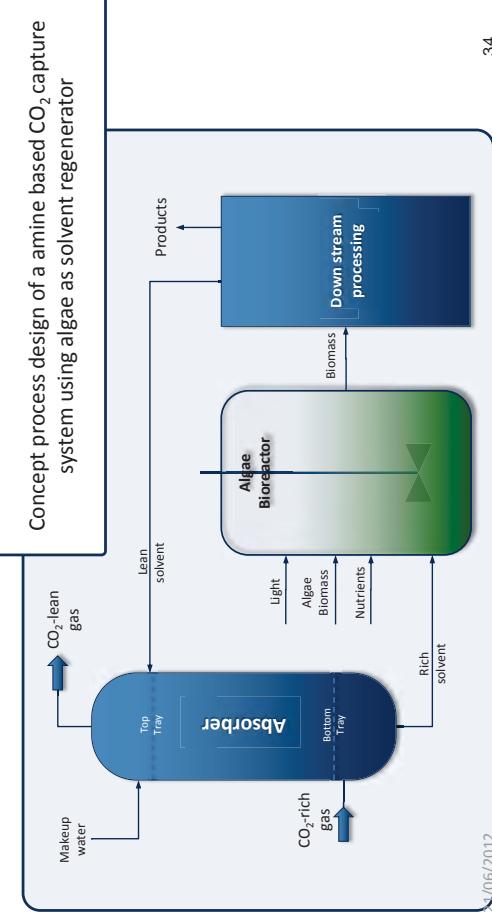
## Capture solvent selection criteria

- 1. Non-toxic to algae culture
- 2. Slow biodegradable by algae culture
- 3. Cheap/abundant
- 4. Efficient capture of CO<sub>2</sub>  
(partly absorbed CO<sub>2</sub> should be bicarbonate species)

It is of importance to note that 90% CO<sub>2</sub> capture is not the objective

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## Route 2: Algae-mediated CO<sub>2</sub> desorption from amine-based solvents



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## From problem to business



[www.algabterenergy.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/stitchingalgae.bmp](http://www.algabterenergy.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/stitchingalgae.bmp)

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# CSIRO's chemical absorbent research program



## Development of reactive chemical absorbents at the CSIRO

HiPerCap Workshop, March 25 2015  
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Research Team Leader

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## CSIRO's chemical absorbent research program

- Absorbent formulations based on readily available compounds
  - typically aqueous amines and low cost additives
  - Advanced aqueous ammonia

Near-term

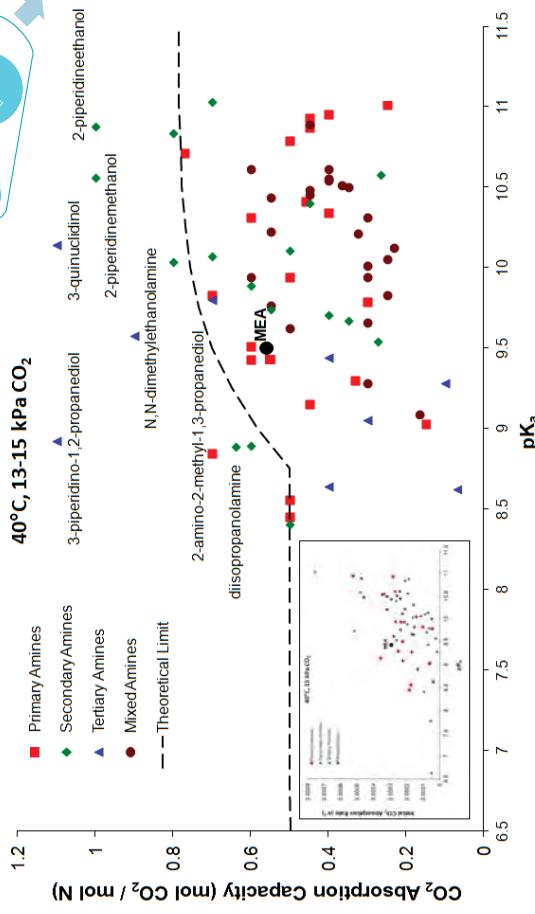
- New compounds designed specifically for CO<sub>2</sub> capture – new amine compounds

Mid-term

- New absorbent systems and associated process concepts:
  - Light-swing absorbents
  - Phase change absorbents
  - Enzymes

Long-term

## Aqueous amine screening study



## Aqueous amine screening study

## Understanding the chemistry

- Over 100 amines screened for CO<sub>2</sub> absorption capacity and initial absorption rate at a single set of conditions (40°C, 13–15 kPa CO<sub>2</sub>)
- A combination of model predictions and experimental results allowed identification of 7 amines that performed better than expected
- Cyclic compounds looked the most interesting
- Results have been patented and published:

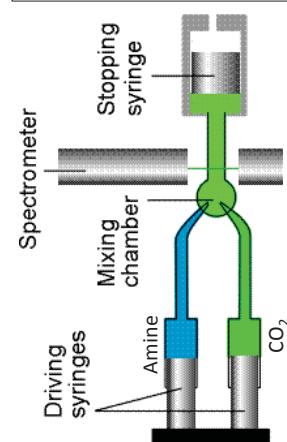
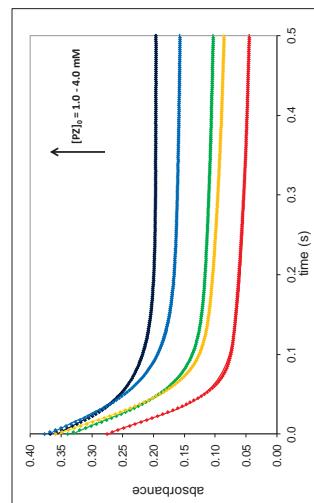
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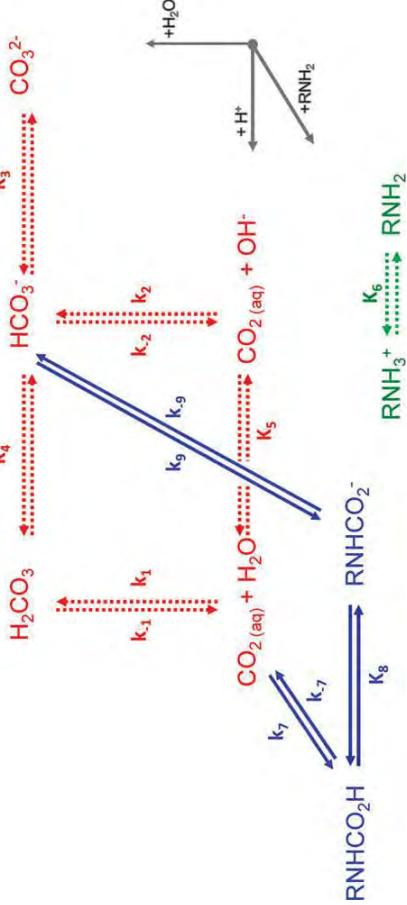
## Kinetics, equilibria and thermodynamics

- Stopped-flow and UV-visible spectroscopy used to determine CO<sub>2</sub>-amine reaction kinetics
- <sup>1</sup>H-NMR used to determine CO<sub>2</sub>-amine reaction equilibria

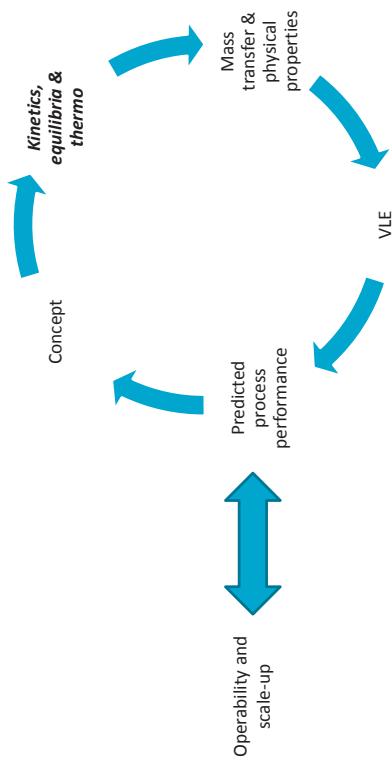


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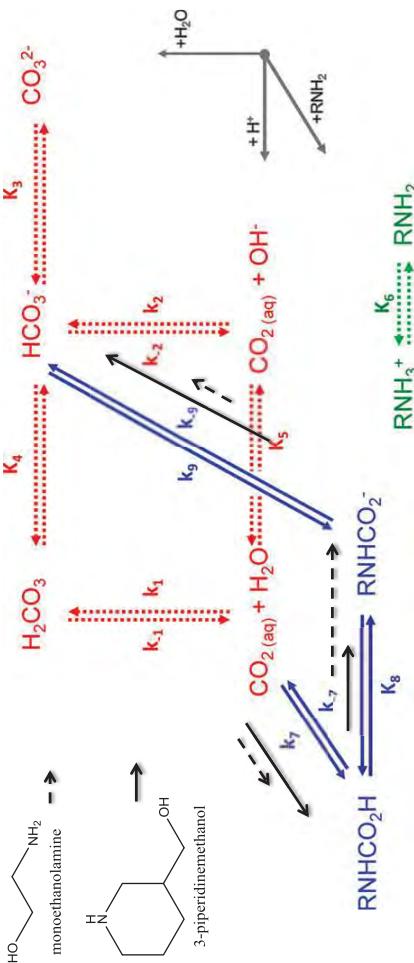


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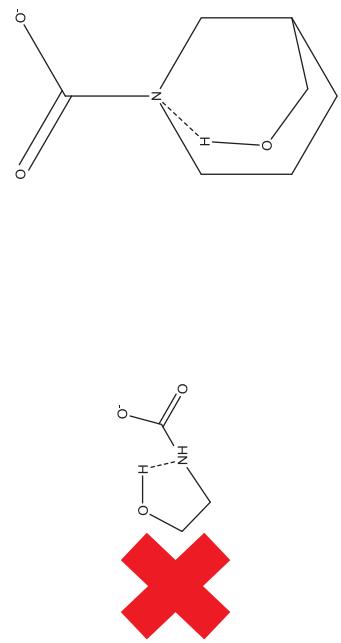
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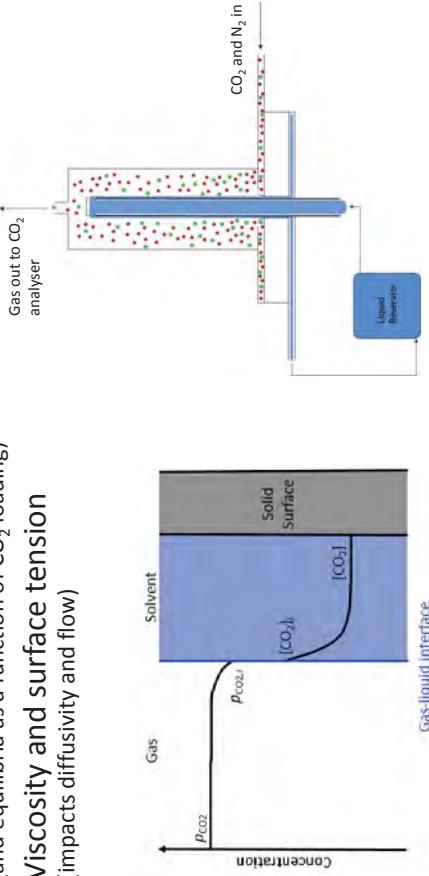
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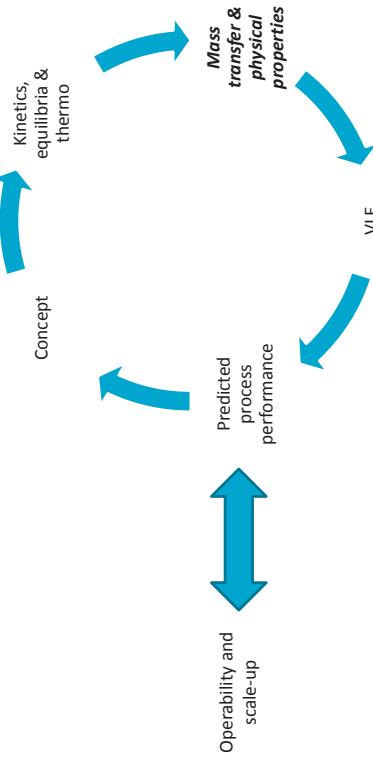
## Understanding absorption rates

## What influences mass transfer?

- Chemical reaction kinetics (and equilibria as a function of  $\text{CO}_2$  loading)
- Viscosity and surface tension (impacts diffusivity and flow)



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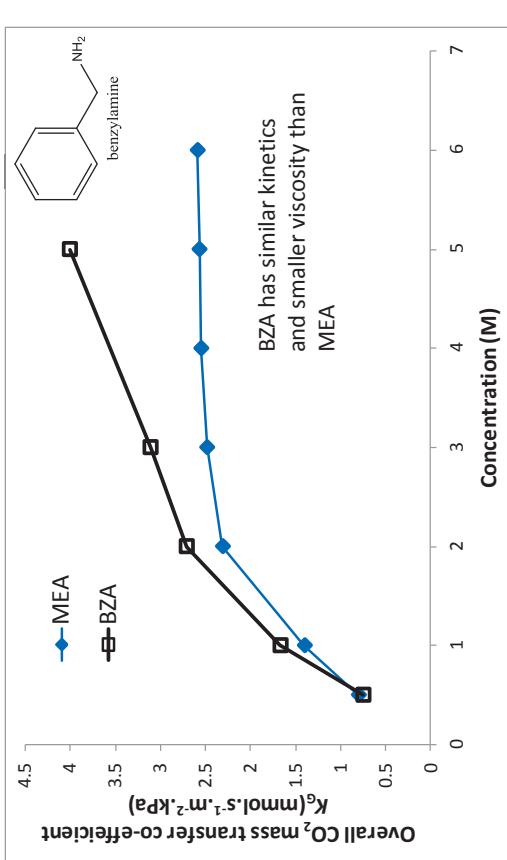
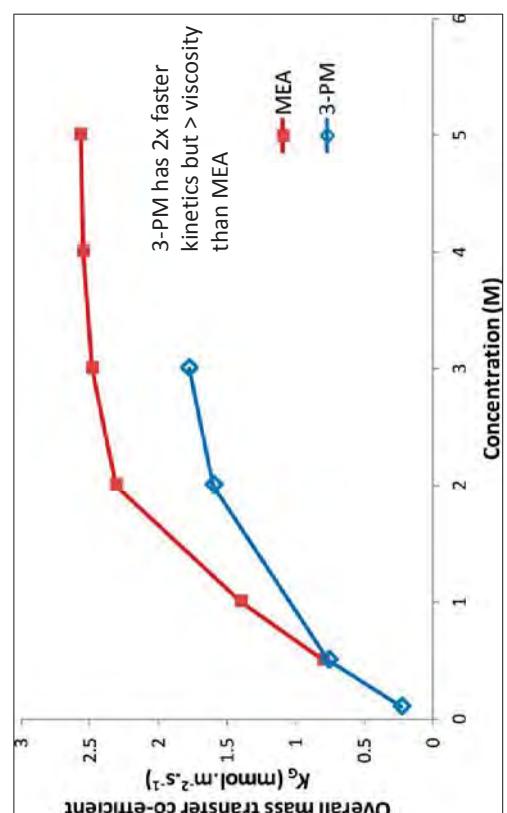


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## The impact of viscosity

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Faster kinetics ↑ ↓ Larger viscosity



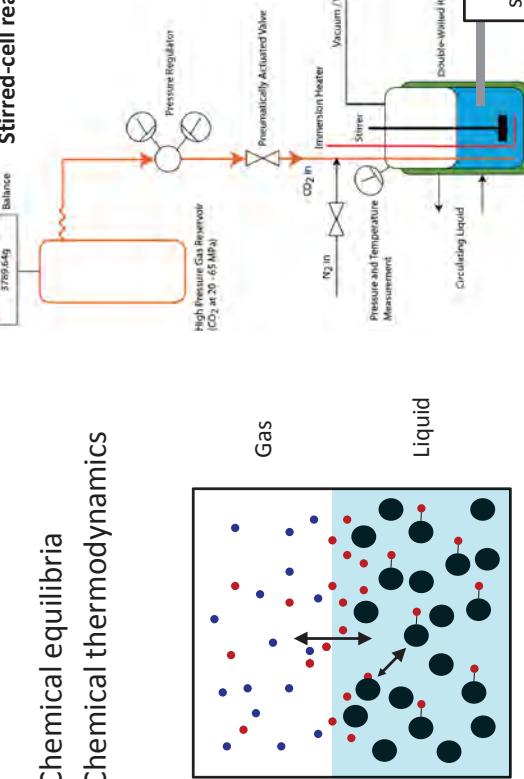
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## Understanding vapour-liquid-equilibria

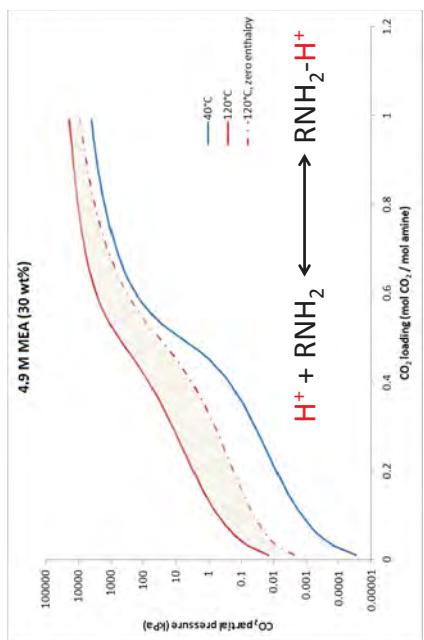
## What influences VLE?

- Chemical equilibria
- Chemical thermodynamics



## What sort of VLE behaviour do we want?

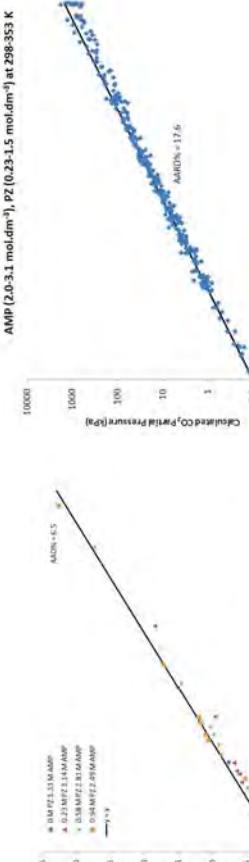
- Large absorption capacity at low temperature and low  $\text{CO}_2$  partial pressure
- Large reduction in capacity with increasing temperature



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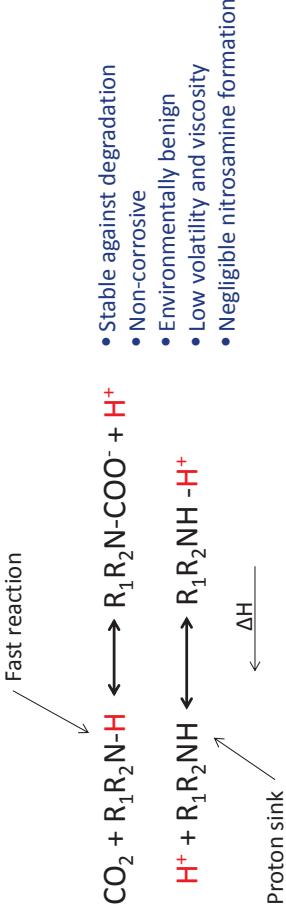
## Intelligent formulation design

- Once we know the kinetics, equilibria and thermodynamics of an individual amine we can predict the behaviour of a mixture



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## Putting it together



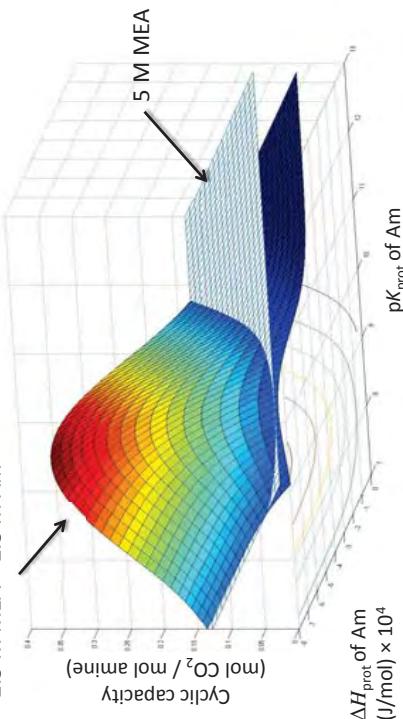
- No single amine we investigated delivers on all these features

- Two options:
  - Amine formulations
  - New molecules

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## Intelligent formulation design

- We can vary the properties of constituent amines and investigate the impact on capture performance

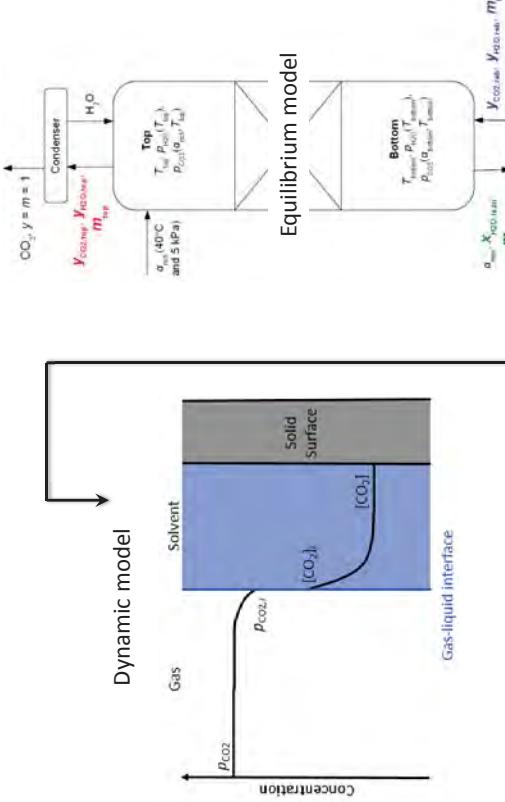


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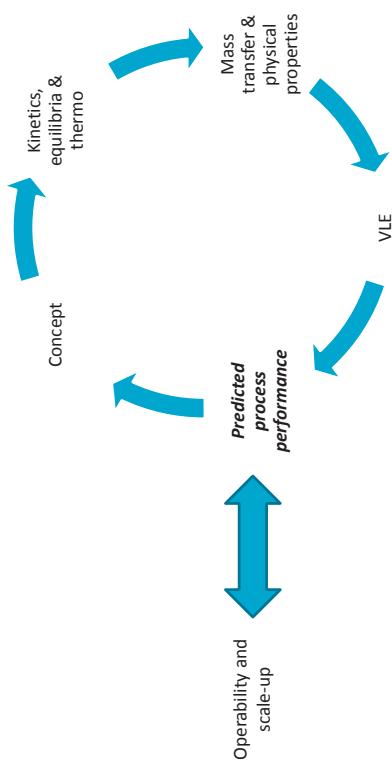
## Predicting process performance

## Equilibrium stripper + mass transfer prediction



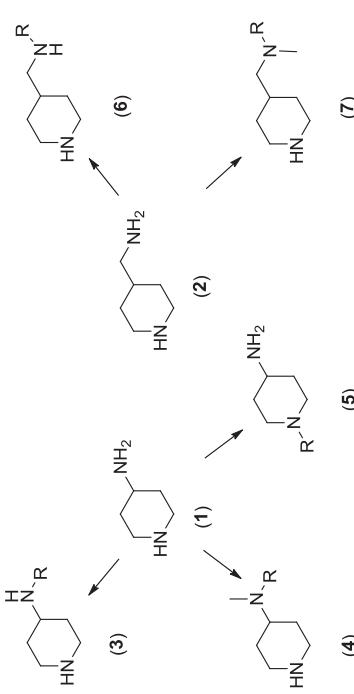
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## Predicted process performance - formulations



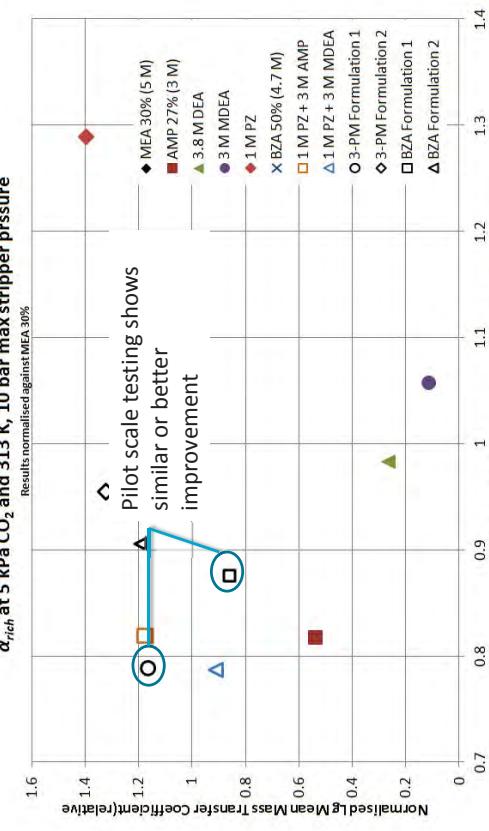
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- Design new molecules to have the properties we want



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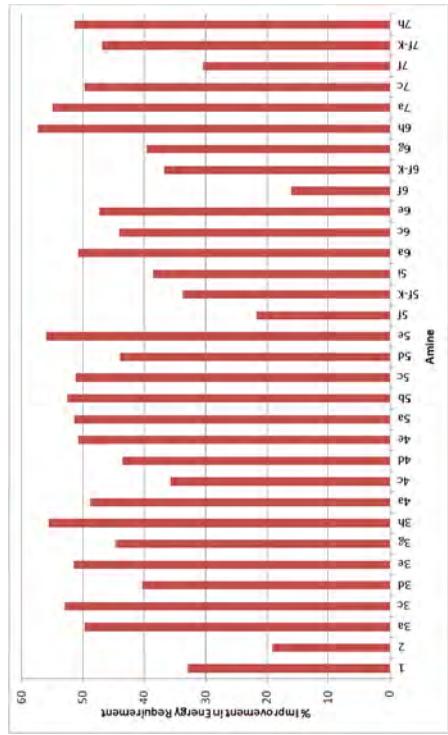
## Intelligent molecular design



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## Predicted process performance – new amines

- Estimated improved energy performance (based on 2 M, measured cyclic capacity and molecular weight) relative to piperazine



## Conclusions

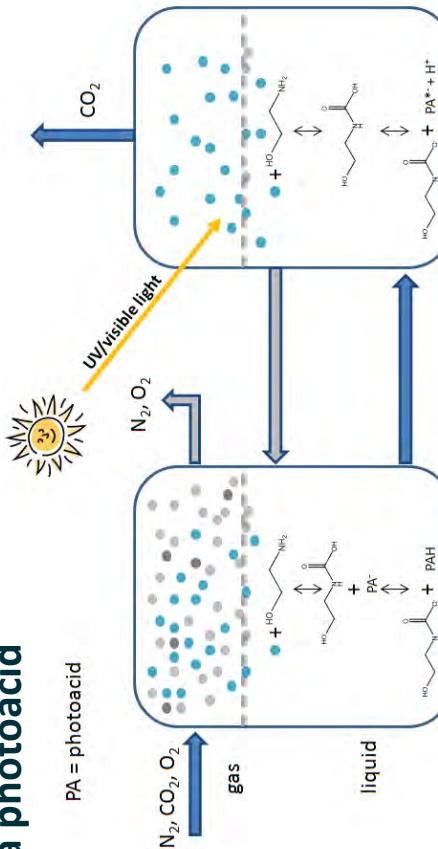
- Still substantial scope for improvement in both formulations and new amines molecules
- Pilot scale testing revealed good performance but operational challenges to be addressed:
  - viscosity, volatility, foaming, materials compatibility
- New molecules to be syntheses at large scale for more thorough testing

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## Something a bit different – photoswitching using a photoacid

PA = photoacid



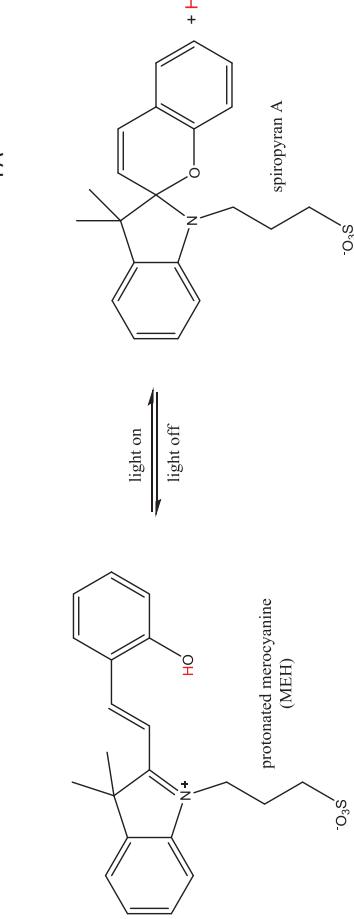
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basic, high CO<sub>2</sub> affinity

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## Photoswitching

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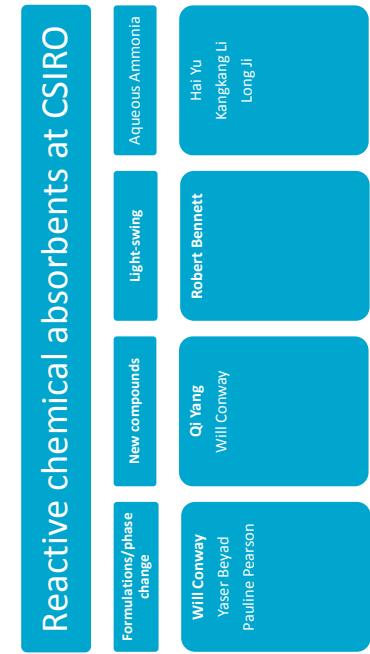
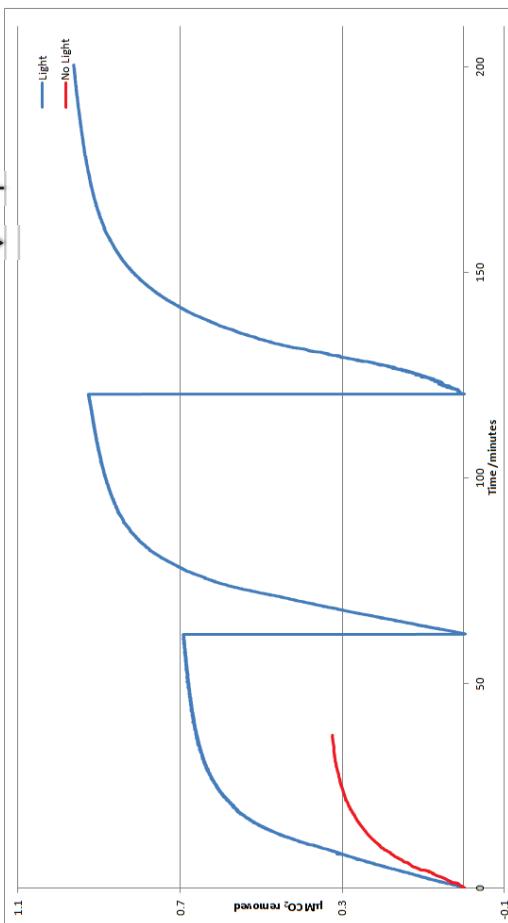


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# Formation and destruction of NDELA in MEA and DEA

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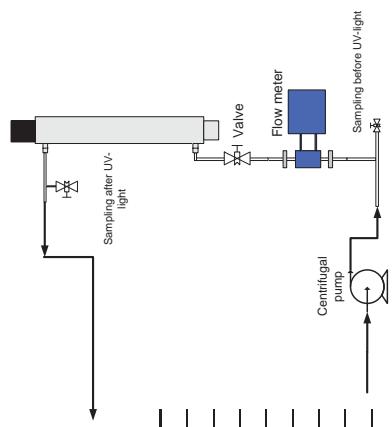
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## Objectives

- To study the formation of NDELA with NO and NO+NO<sub>2</sub> present in the gas phase

## UV-reactor

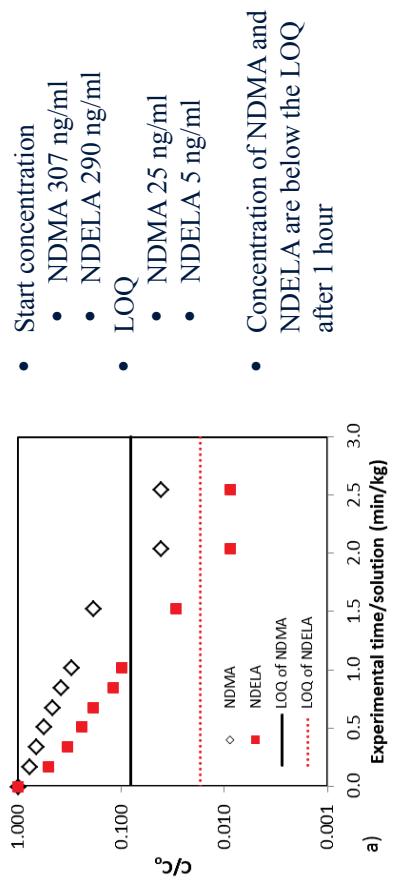


Value	
Power consumption	46 W
Lamp power	37 W
Max. flow rate	37.9 L/min
Chamber material	304 stainless steel
Chamber length	90.0 cm
Chamber diameter	6.4 cm
Lamp	Sterilume-EX model S810RL
Sleeve	Quartz Model QS-810

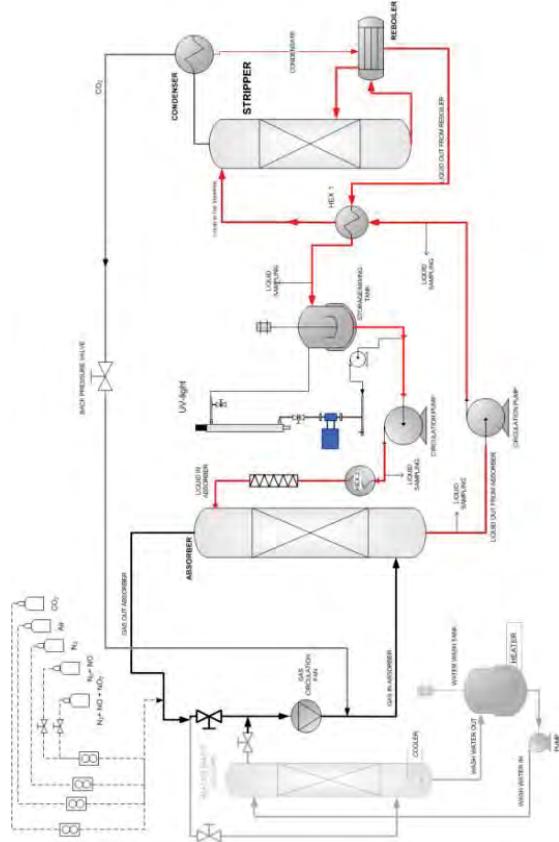


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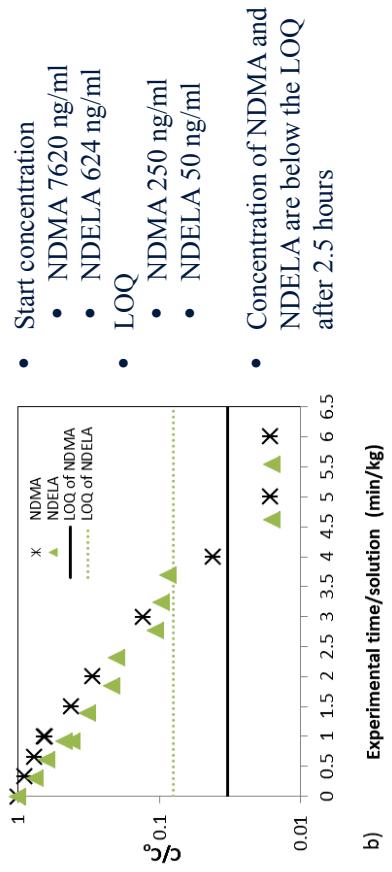
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## Experimental setup



### Batch experiments Decomposition of NDELA and NDMA in fresh 30wt% MEA

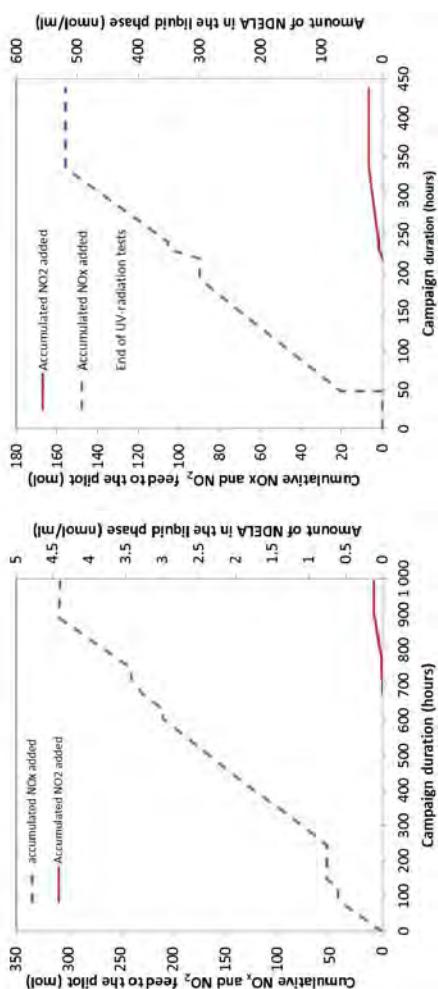


## Campaigns

	30wt% MEA	50wt% DEA
Campaign duration	990 hours	410 hours
NO feeding hours	715 hours	250 hours
N2O feeding hours	187 hours	100 hours
UV-light radiation in the main solvent circulation	37 hours	48 hours
UV-light radiation in the water wash circulation	-	5 hours

## Results

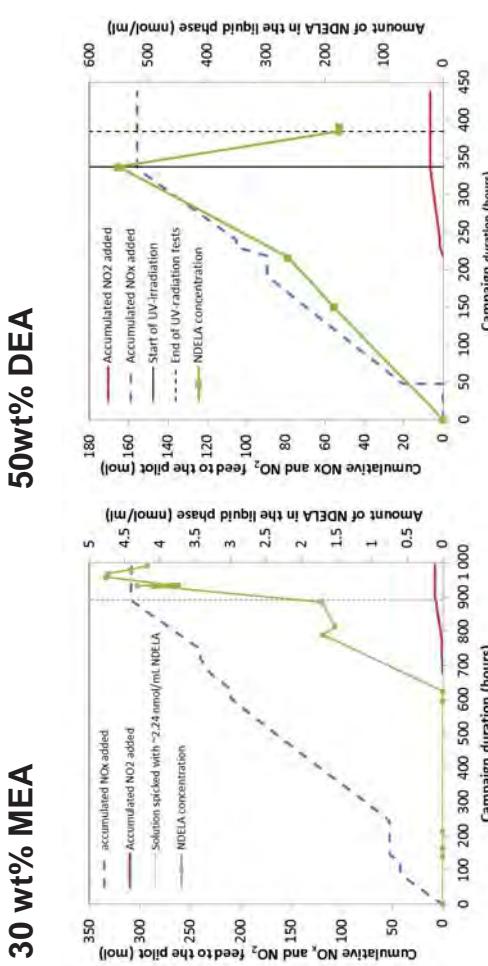
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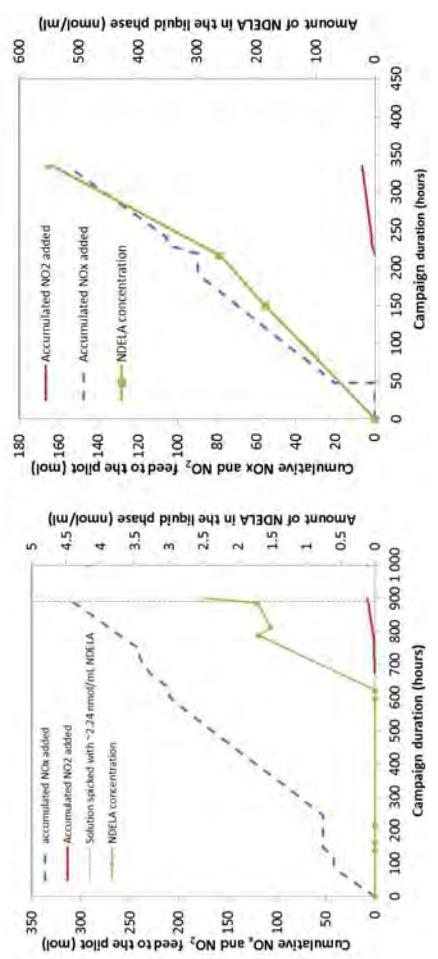
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### 50wt% DEA

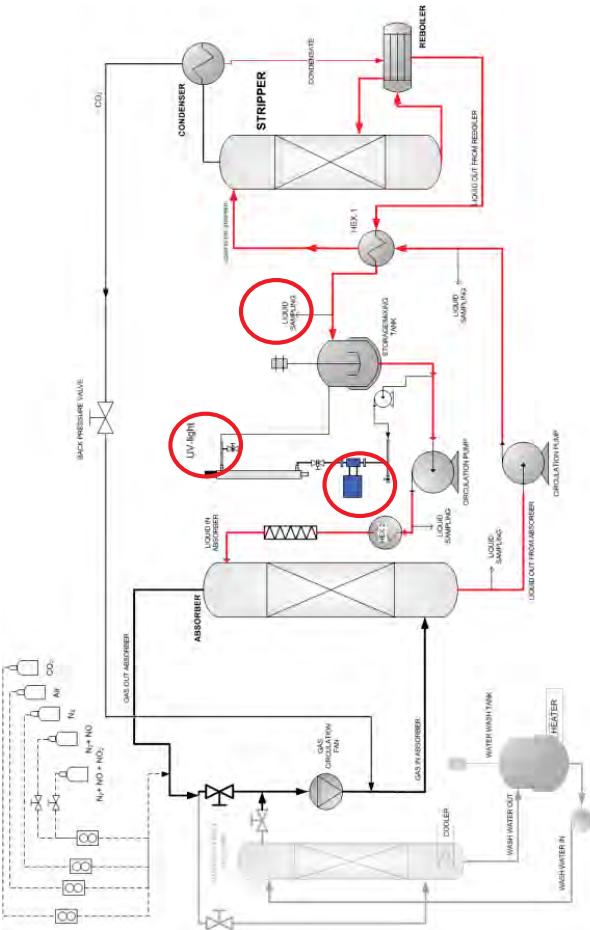
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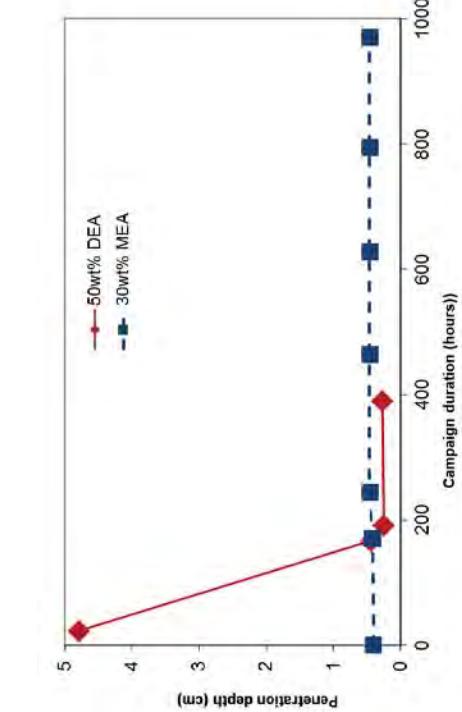
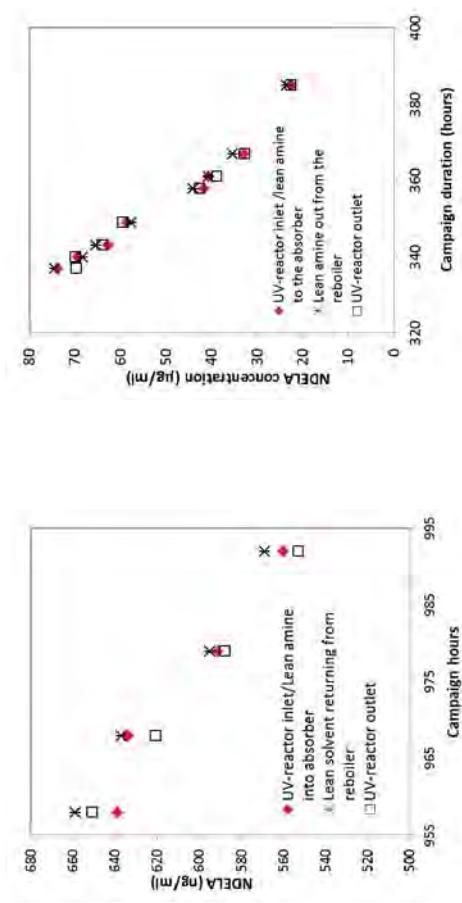
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# Penetration of UV-light

50wt% DEA



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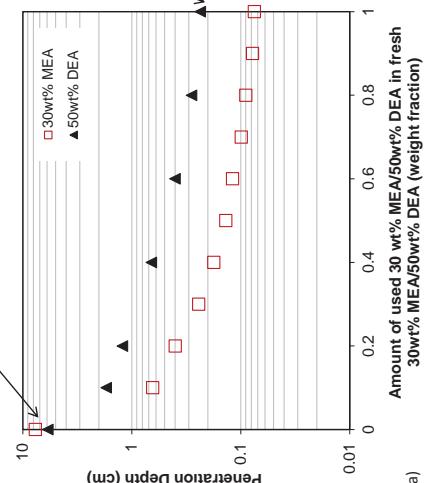
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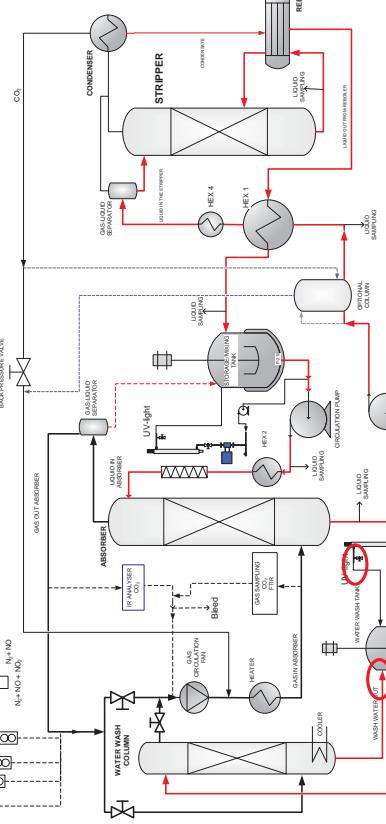
## Penetration depth measurements

# Effect of colour (degradation products)

Fresh amine solutions



50wt% DEA used in a pilot for 410 hours.



30wt% MEA used in a pilot for 1690 hours.



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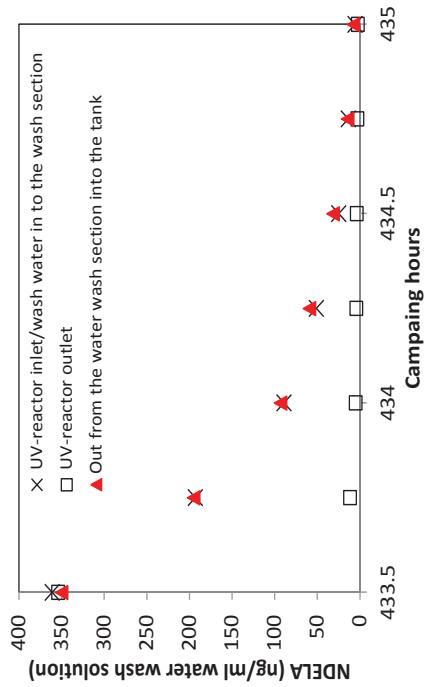
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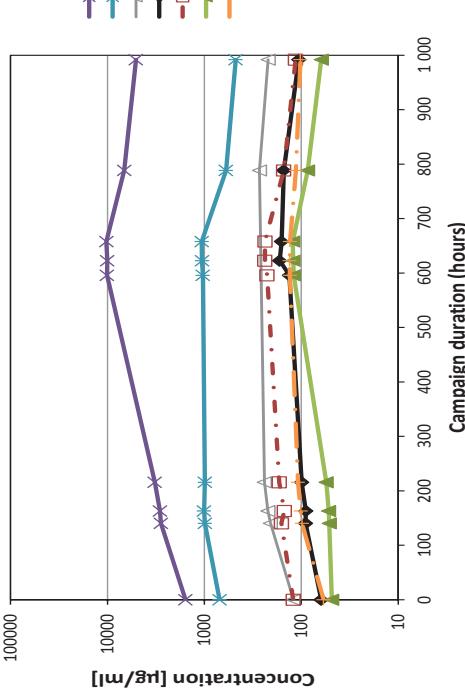
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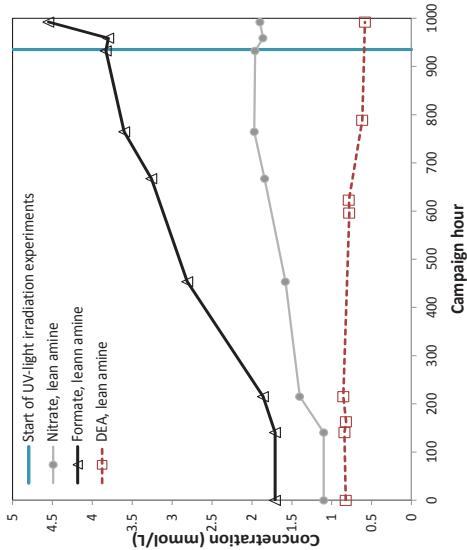
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## Degradation (30wt% MEA)



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## Conclusions

- the decomposition of NDELA decreases with increasing
    - colour of the solution
    - amine concentration
- To use UV-light in the main solvent loop would require an optimization of the UV-light reactor.
- Open questions:
    - UV-light and amine degradation
    - Influence of temperature



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# DYNAMIC MODELS AND CONTROL STRATEGIES FOR ABSORPTION-BASED CARBON CAPTURE PROCESSES



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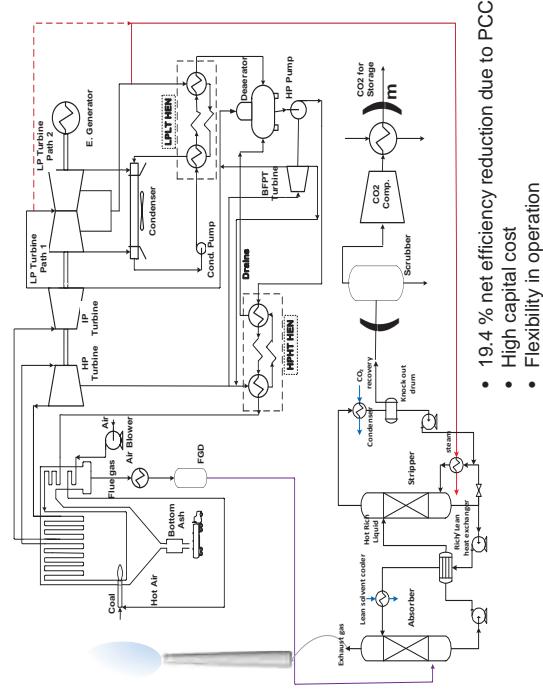
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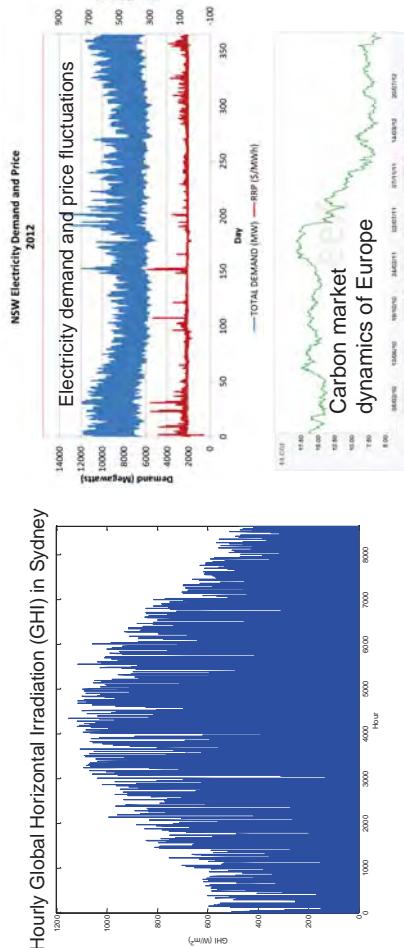
## Background



## Motivation: A domain of operational uncertainties

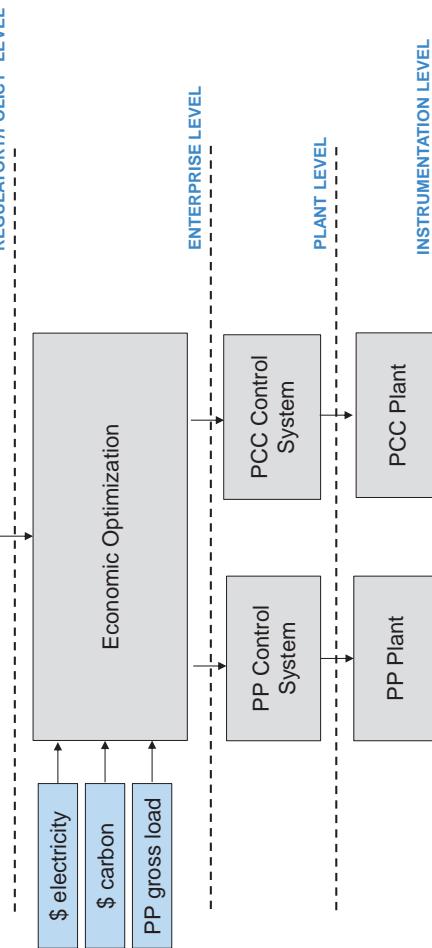


- › Carbon tax scheme started in July 2012, scrapped July 2014
- › Variations in GHI, electricity price, electricity demand & carbon price



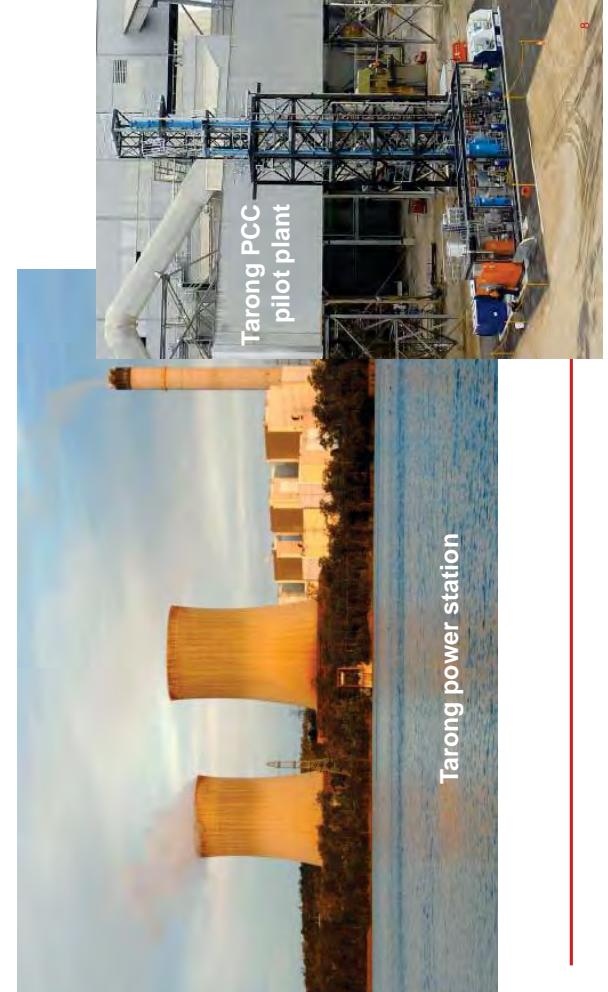
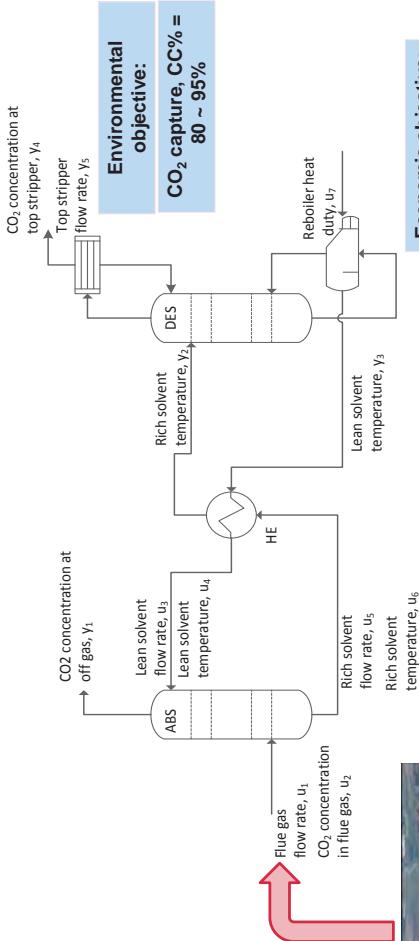
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Integration of PCC into coal-fired power plant requires understanding dynamic operations.



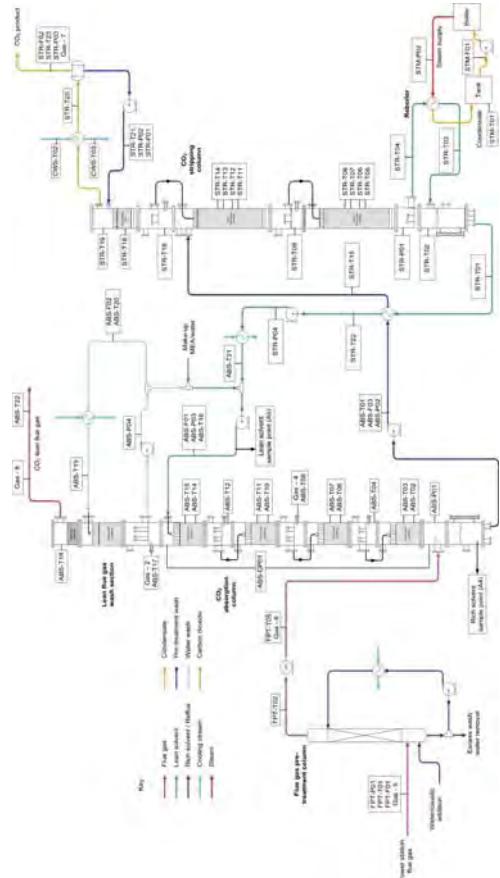
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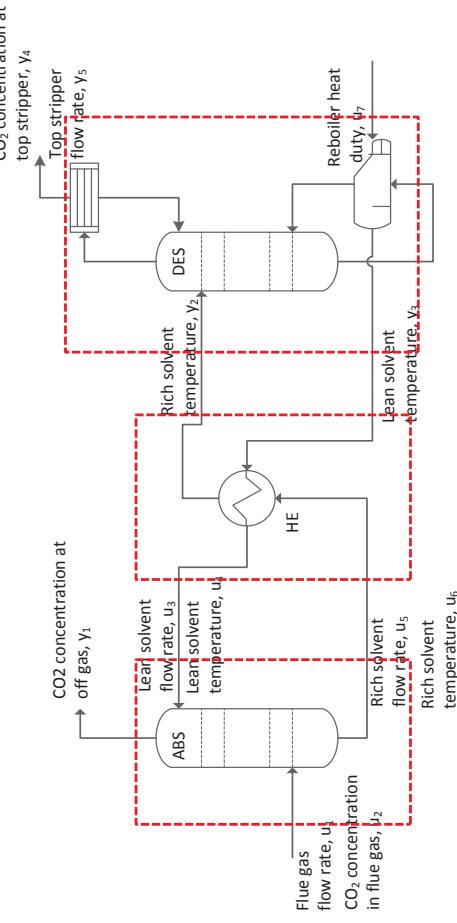
Tarong PCC pilot plant process flowsheet



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## Modelling Approach 1: Empirical model

Model boundaries using NARX data-based model<sup>1,2</sup>



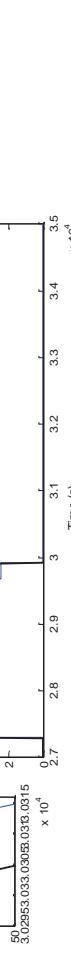
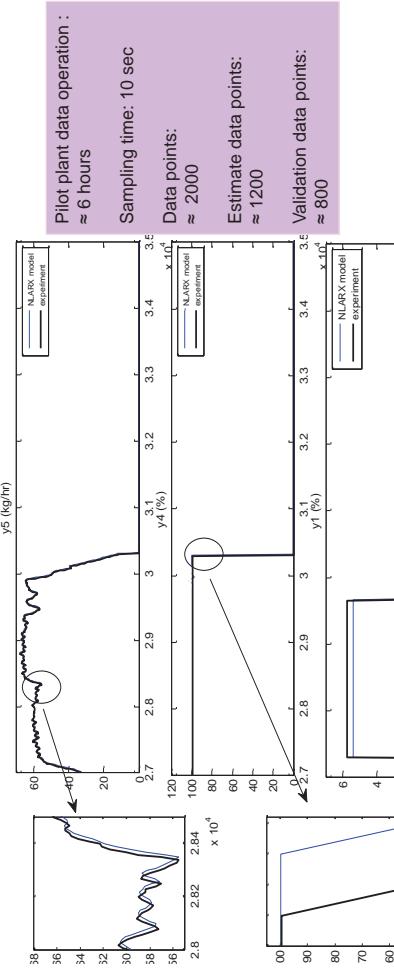
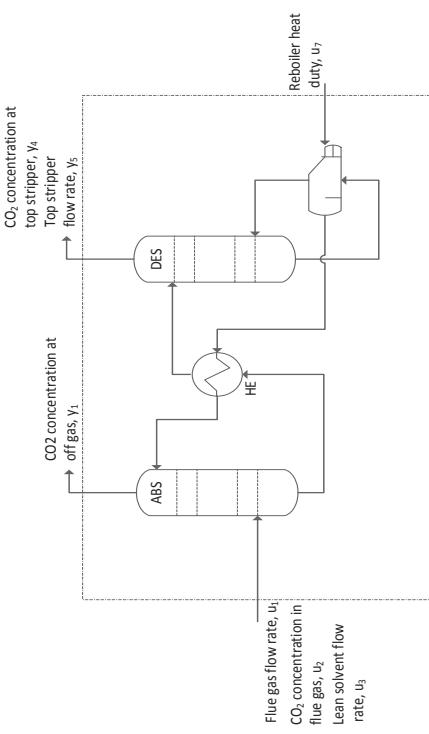
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## Modelling Approach 1: Empirical model

### Integrated NARX data-based model



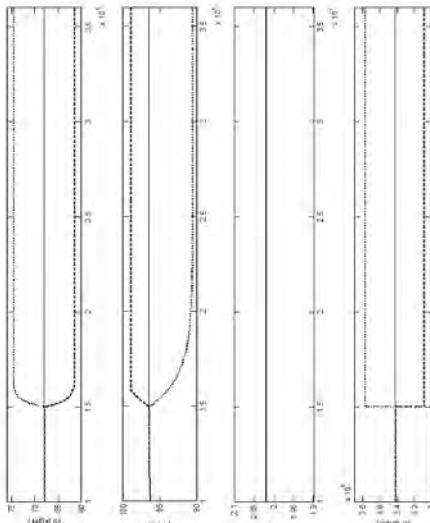
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## Modelling Approach 1: Open-loop dynamic analysis

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in top stripper,  $y_4$  and top stripper flow rate,  $y_5$  have significant open loop dynamic responses while CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in off gas,  $y_1$  does not show any significant response.

- 1) 6 – 15 mins for the fastest dynamics (reboiler heat duty – CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in top stripper relationship).
- 2) 8 -27 mins for the slowest dynamics (reboiler heat duty – top stripper flow rate relationship).

Step changes in Reboiler heat duty (straight line: base case; dotted line: positive step change; dashed line: negative step change).



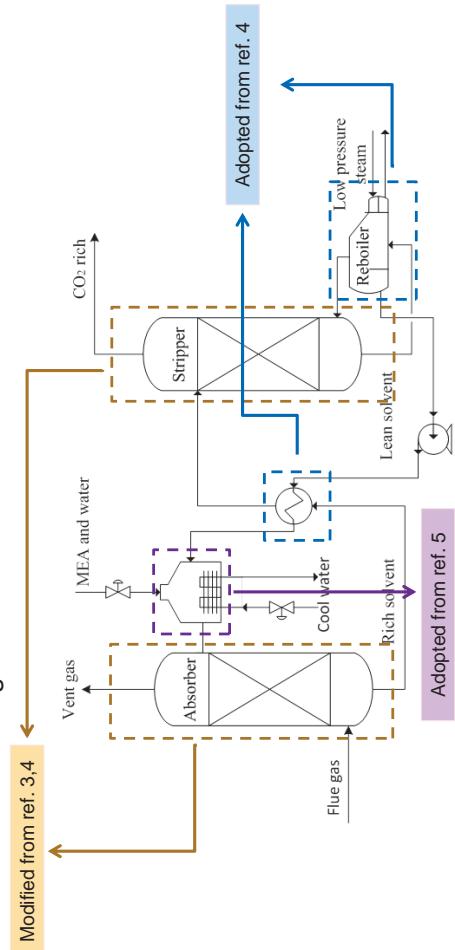
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## Modelling Approach 2: Mechanistic model

Model boundaries using mechanistic model<sup>3,4,5</sup>

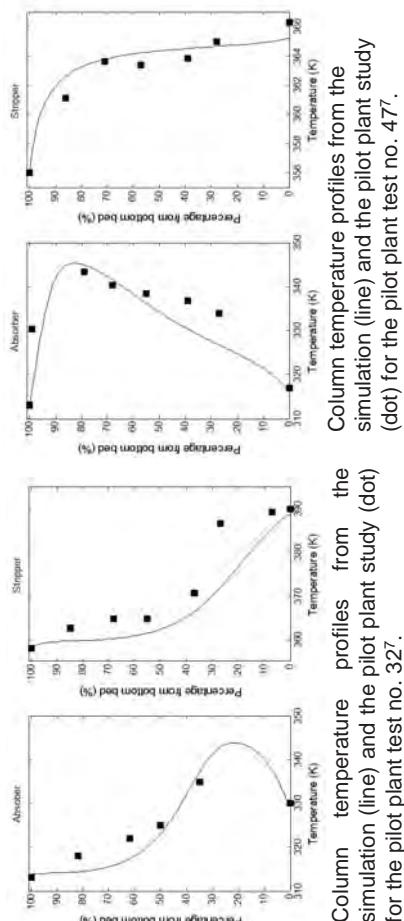


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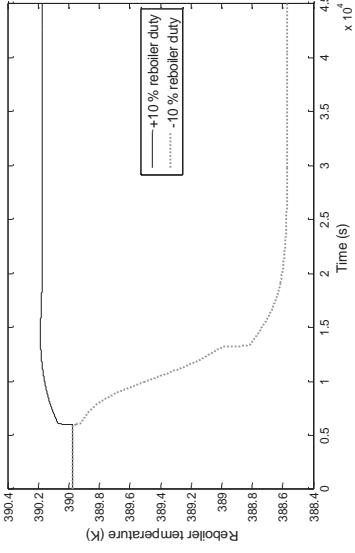
## Modelling Approach 2: Mechanistic model

Model validation for mechanistic model<sup>6</sup>



Step changes in reboiler heat duty (straight line: positive step change; dashed line: negative step change).

\* High time constant : Due to a large amount (1.5 m<sup>3</sup>) of holdup solvent, the reboiler temperature inherited a high time constant



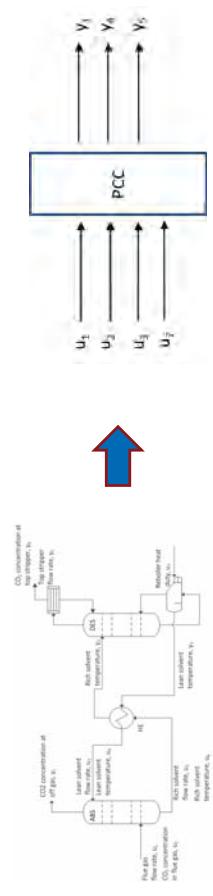
- 1) 3 hours for the fastest dynamics at 10% increment of heat duty
- 2) 4.3 hours for the slowest at 10% reduction of heat duty

## Control Approach

Identified 2 key performance metrics:

$$1. \text{ Carbon capture efficiency, } CC (\%) = \frac{(y_4 / 100) y_5}{u_1 (u_2 / 100)}$$

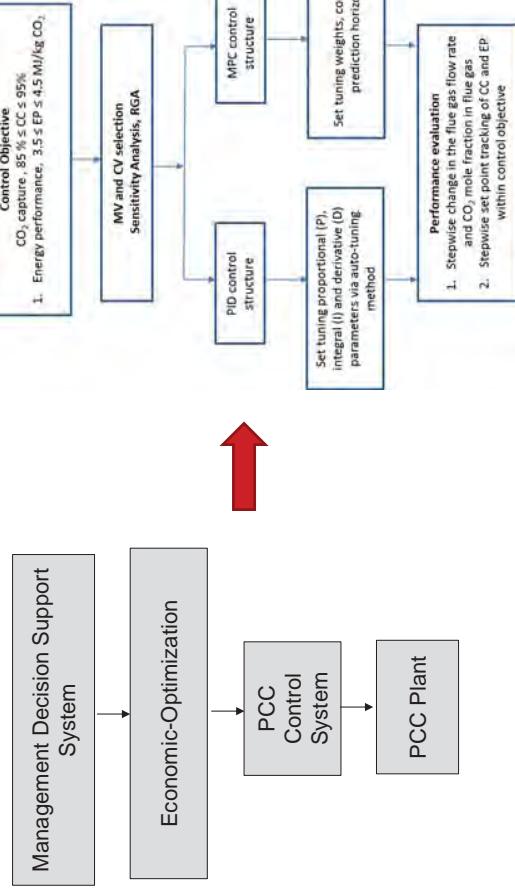
$$2. \text{ Energy performance, } EP (\text{MJ/kg}) = \frac{u_7}{(y_4 / 100) y_5}$$



Simplified 4 x 3 PCC system



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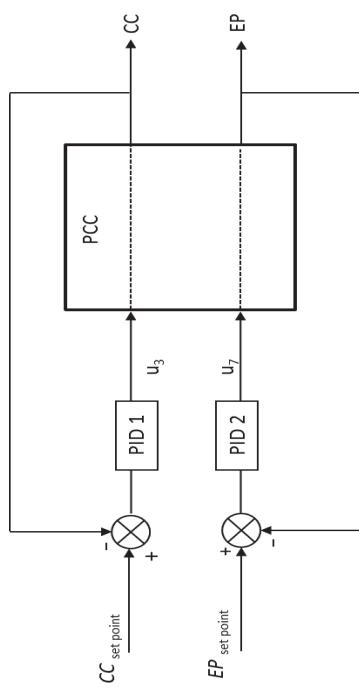
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## Control Approach – RGA Analysis

RGA results for different steady-state operating conditions

Condition	Steady state input values			Final steady state output values	RGA*
	$u_1$ (kg/hr)	$u_2$ (mass %)	$u_3$ (L/min)	$u_7$ (kJ/hr)	
Condition 1	500	16	24	270 000	$\approx 4$
Condition 2	550	16	25	288 000	$\approx 5$
Condition 3	650	16	30	324 000	$\approx 8$

## Control Approach 1 – PID Controller



Negative pairing g =  
The control loop  
is unstable

PID Control Scheme

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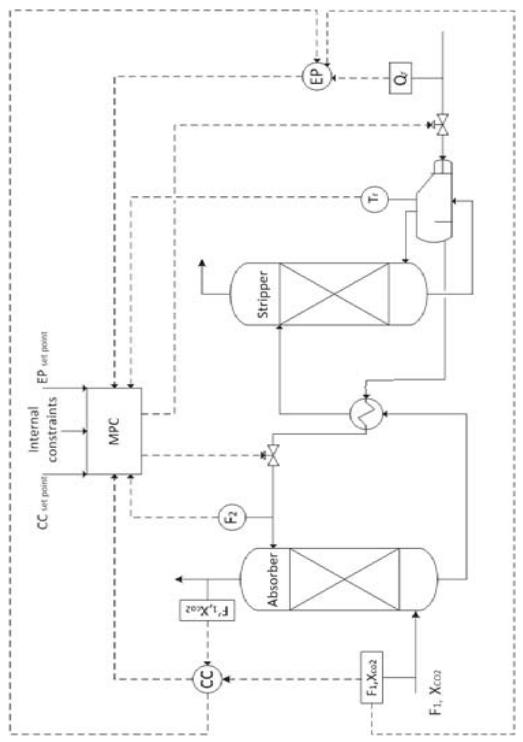
\*RGA was performed by introducing +10% perturbation in  $u_3$  and  $u_7$ .

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## Control Approach 2 – MPC Controller



## Control Approach – Controllability Analysis

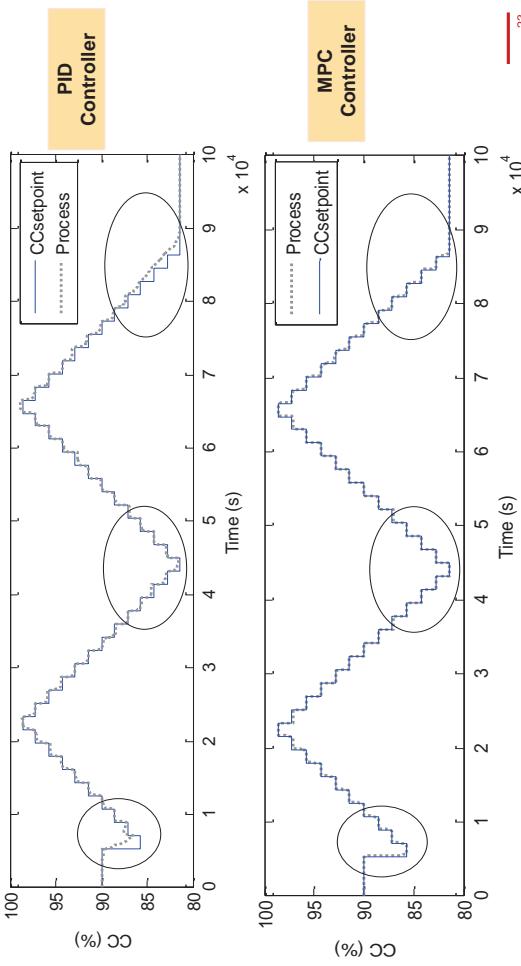


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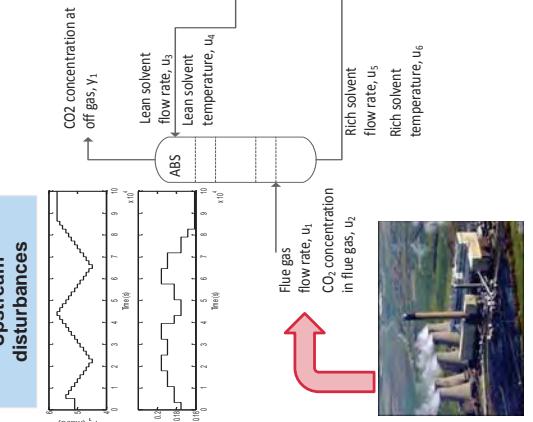
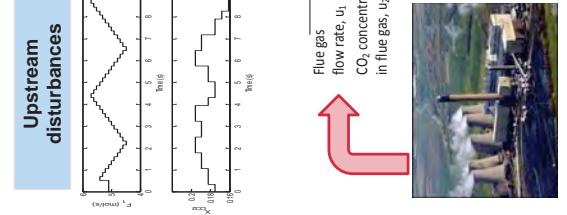
## Control Approach – Controllability Analysis



Controllability analysis on set point changes and rejection disturbances.



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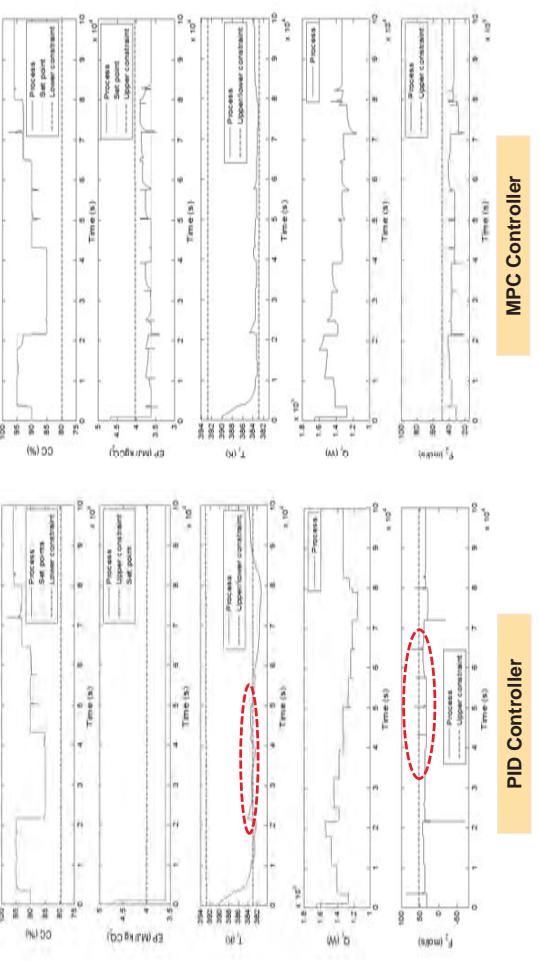


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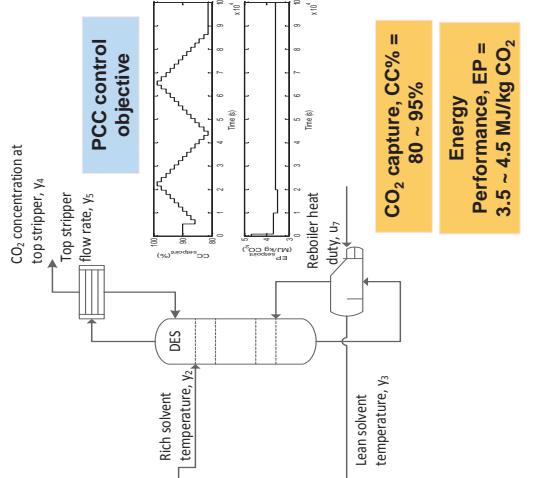
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Control performance under process operational constraints



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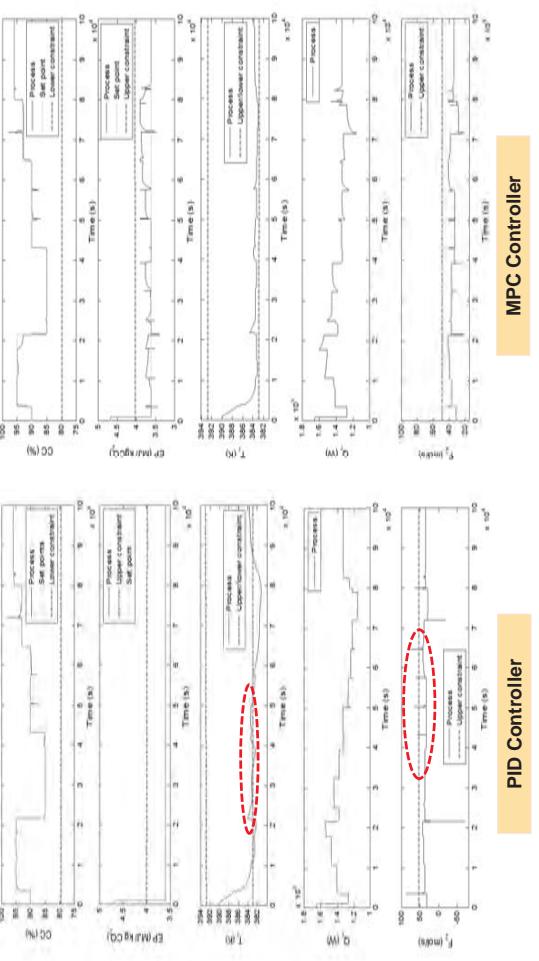


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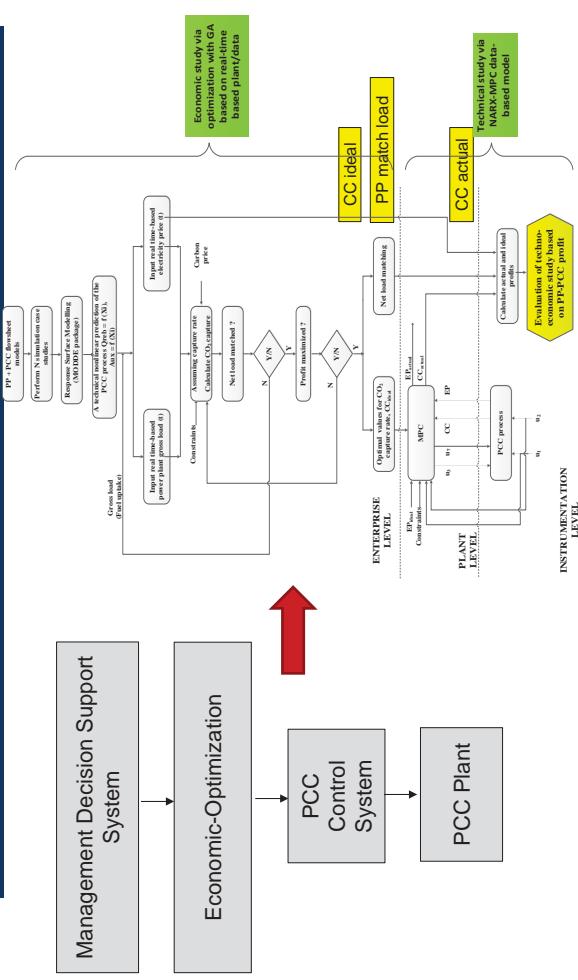
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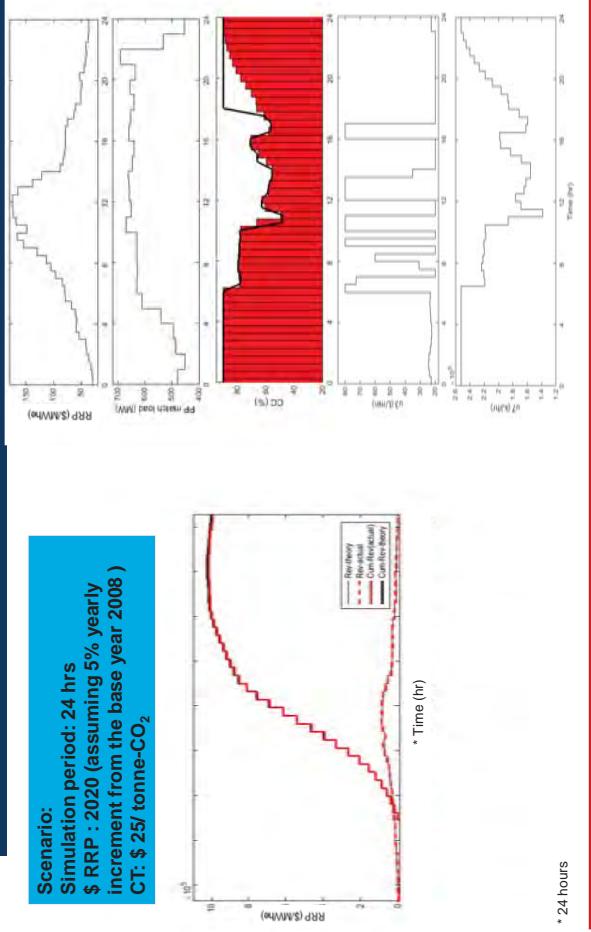
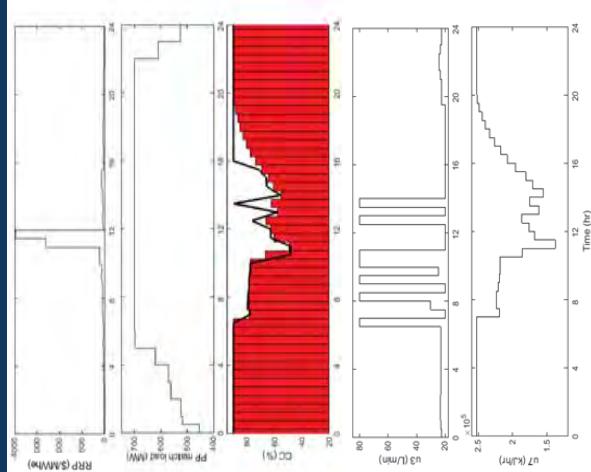
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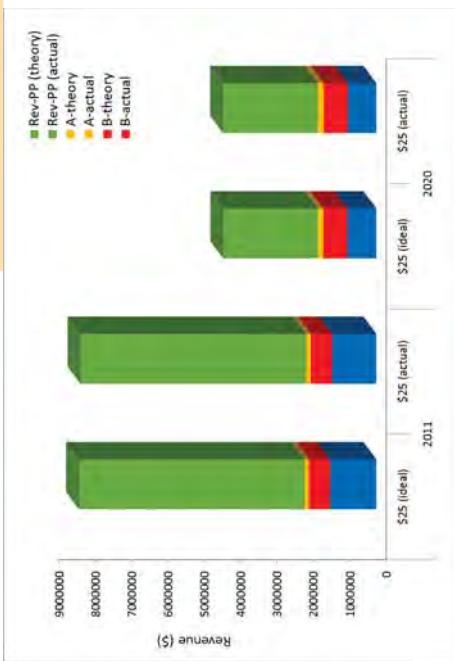
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## Control-Optimization Approach

### Revenue Composite

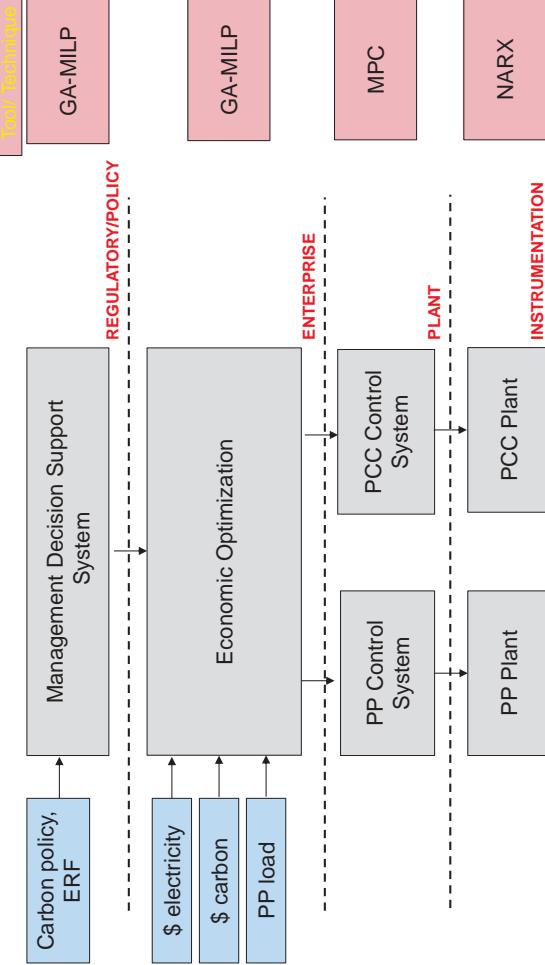
Rev-PP: Revenue generated through selling of electricity  
 A: Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> emission  
 B: Power plant operating cost (PP-OPEX)  
 C: PCC operating cost (PCC-OPEX)



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## Opportunity



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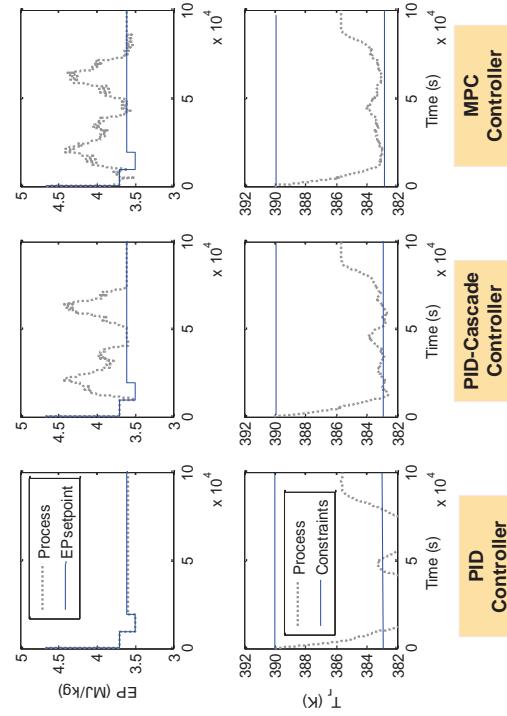
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## Control Approach – Controllability Analysis

Control performance of EP under process constraint ( $T_f$ )



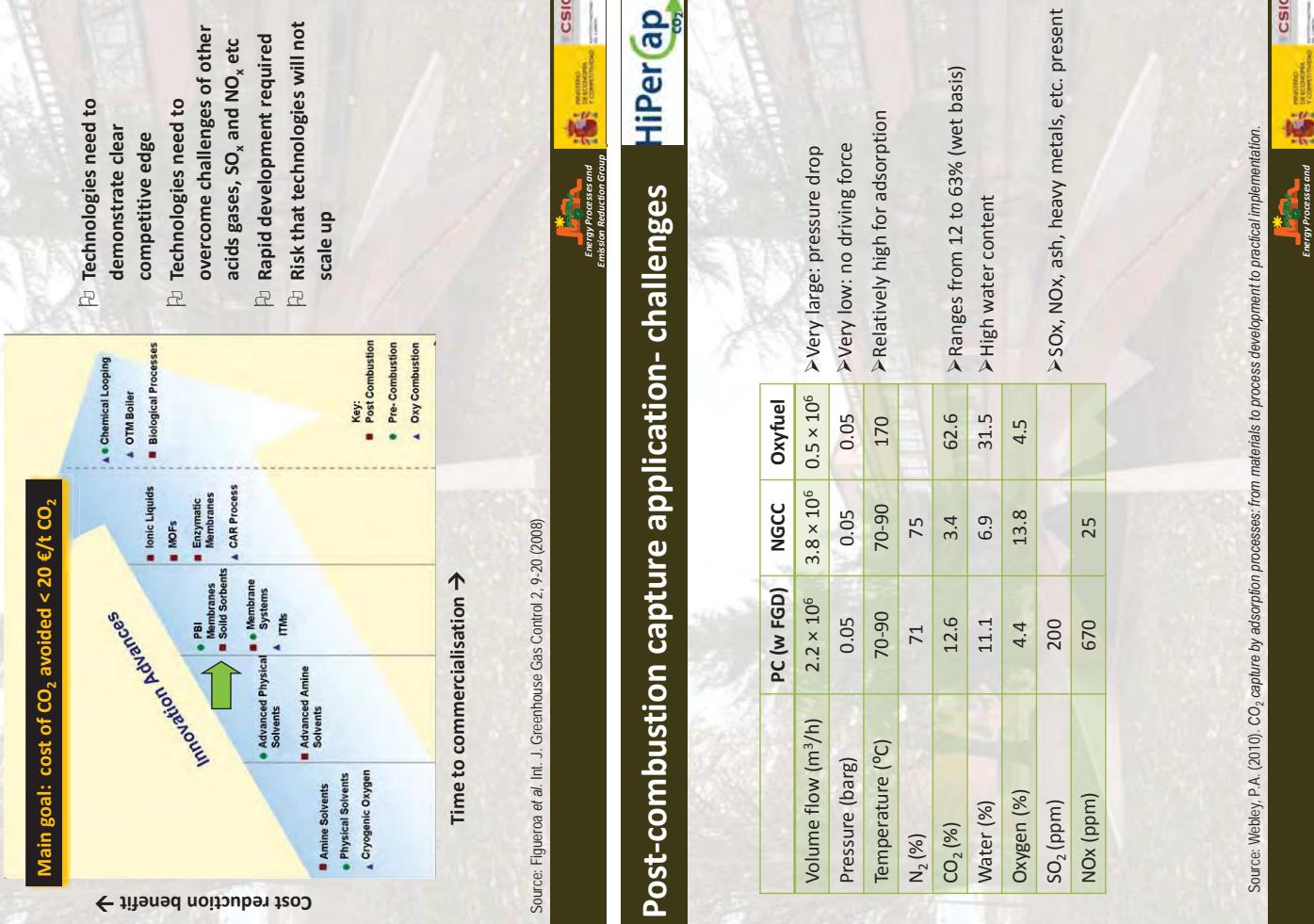
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The MPC-PCC did not violate the specified operational constraints for T<sub>f</sub> and F<sub>2</sub>. However, the other two controllers were incapable to maintain respective process variables (T<sub>r</sub> and F<sub>2</sub>) from violating its specified constraint.

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Table 4.2 Operating conditions for case studies 32 and 47 (inputs to gPROMS simulations)

	Flue gas		Lean solvent		Rich solvent	
	32	47	32	47	32	47
Case number	32	47	32	47	32	47
Temperature (K)	320	320	314	314	358	356
Flow rate (mol/s)	4.013	9.3	31.19	26.7	31.19	26.7
Mole fraction						
H <sub>2</sub> O	0.025	0.032	0.86	0.846	0.846	0.828
MEA	-	-	0.11	0.12	0.104	0.1181
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.175	0.167	0.029	0.034	0.05	0.0534
N <sub>2</sub>	0.8	0.8	-	-	-	-
CO <sub>2</sub> loading	-	-	0.264	0.28	0.48	0.46
L/G ratio	-	-	6.5	4.6	-	-



## HiPerCap WP2: Absorption Technologies

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Solid sorbents: Why?

Advantages over Absorption

- ✓ Significantly increased contact area over solvent systems
- ✓ Reduced energy for regeneration and moving sorbent materials (if high capacity achieved)
- ✓ Elimination of liquid water (corrosion, etc.)
- ✓ Potential to reduce energy loading by 30-50%

Challenges of CO<sub>2</sub> adsorbents

- High capacity
- High selectivity
- Adequate adsorption/desorption kinetics
- Good stability / lifetime
- Mechanical strength
- Reasonable cost

< 25 \$/t CO<sub>2</sub> avoided

Ho et al. Ind. Eng. Chem. Res. 47, 4883-90 (2008)

Gray et al. J. Greenhouse Gas Control 2, 3-3 (2008)



## Post-combustion capture applications

### Power generation



CO<sub>2</sub>CRC H3 Capture Project



Hazelwood Power Station

The CO<sub>2</sub>CRC H3 Capture Project at International Power's Hazelwood Power Station, completed in 2011, conducted research into adsorption technologies for CO<sub>2</sub> capture.

Goal:

- demonstrate adsorption for CO<sub>2</sub> capture from flue gas;

- assess adsorption process, equipment and different adsorbents under various working conditions and equipment configurations;
- assess the effect of impurities, temperature and load on the vacuum swing adsorption process;
- assess economic and engineering issues for scale-up

The H3 project was part of the Latrobe Valley Post-combustion Capture Project, supported by the Victorian Government, through the Energy Technology Innovation Strategy (ETIS) Brown Coal R&D funding.

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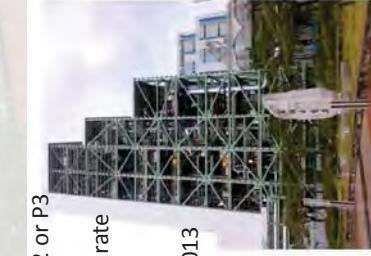
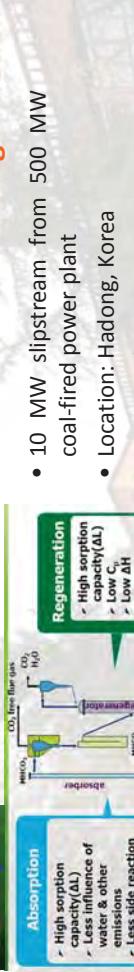


- Over 250 potential CO<sub>2</sub> adsorbents have been evaluated by ADA to date (including INCAR-CSIC).

- Slipstream of flue gas from a coal-fired power plant
- A 1MWe pilot plant being designed and installed to validate performance for this novel technology. The current EPC schedule indicated the pilot should be ready for operation in early 2014



### Power generation



10 MW Pilot Plant at KOSPO's Hadong coal-fired power plant, Unit # 8



The main objective in WP2 is to prove **adsorption** with **low-temperature solid sorbents** as a high efficiency and environmentally benign technology for post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture by means of experimental and modelling work.

- Produce a **particulate solid adsorbent** for a moving bed reactor having suitable cyclic capacity under post-combustion conditions (e.g. >2.5 mmol/g for the high surface area sorbents) and that can withstand a 100°C temperature change within 3-4 minutes.

- Produce a structured **carbon monolith** sorbent with substantial equilibrium carbon dioxide uptake in high relative humidity environments (e.g. >1.5 mmol/g at 150 mbar CO<sub>2</sub> and 20°C) and with acceptable adsorption/desorption kinetics. The monoliths should also have enhanced thermal conductivity characteristics better than 2W/mK.

- Evaluate and **model moving and fixed bed** based adsorption processes that combine low pressure drop and high thermal efficiency and determine the process performance.

Data will be generated, which allows the determination of the energy potential of the different concepts and benchmark the different concepts (WP4)

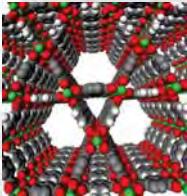


## Partners/tasks in WP2



### Technology Assessment

Cristaline compounds integrated by metal ions linked by organic ligands in a forming a porous network. Extremely high porosity suitable for gas storage and purification. Air/moisture sensitive.



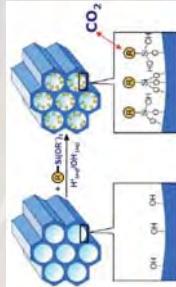
#### Zeolites

Aluminosilicate molecular sieves. High capacity and selective  $\text{CO}_2$  sorbents in the higher pressure range. Very sensitive to water.



#### Functionalised porous materials

- Surface (e.g. amine grafted)
- Matrix (e.g. N containing polymer)



#### Carbon-based

From activated carbons to carbon molecular sieves. Less sensitivity to water, easy regeneration and lower cost. Low temperature  $\text{CO}_2$  sorption.



## Porous solid sorbents: low temperature



### Sorbent selection

#### Ideal adsorbent:

- ✓ Low cost
- ✓ Availability
- ✓ High capacity
- ✓ High selectivity towards  $\text{CO}_2$
- ✓ Ease of regeneration
- ✓ High stability/durability

Carbon materials	Cost	Ease of regeneration	Water tolerance	Durability	Availability

#### Carbon precursors selected within HiPerCap:

- Agricultural by-products
- Phenolic resins
- Natural polymers/precursors



### Sorbent & Process development



#### I. Sorbent Production

#### II. Evaluation

- ✓ Characterization
- ✓ Pure component adsorption isotherms at selected T:  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{N}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- ↗ Equilibrium of adsorption
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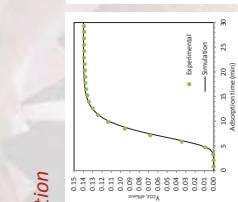
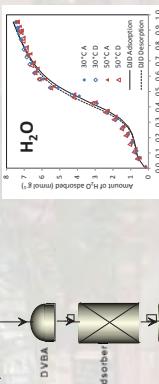
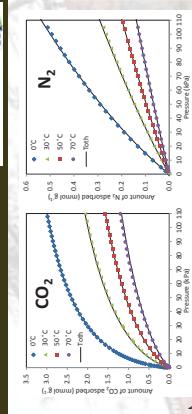
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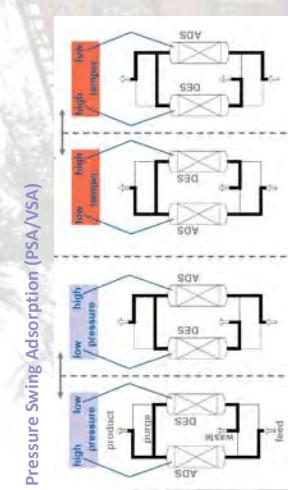


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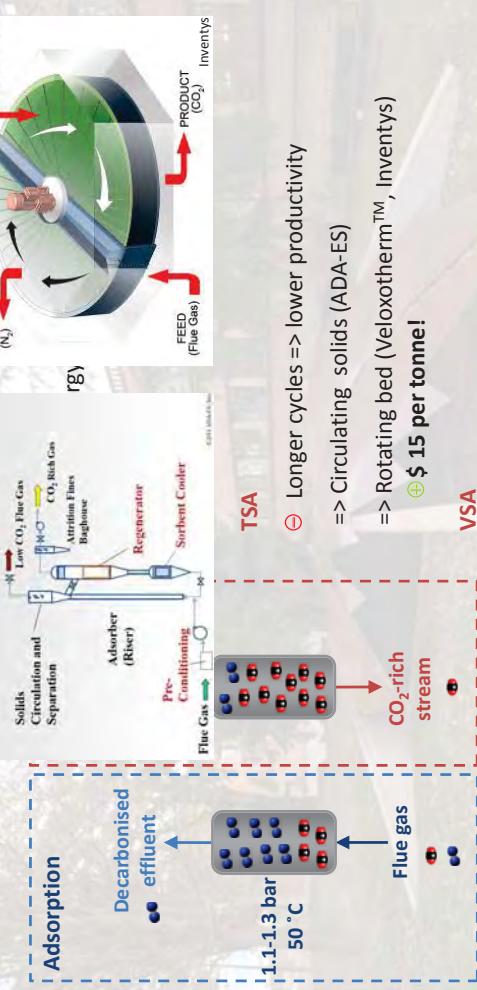
## Adsorption based processes



Temperature Swing Adsorption (TSA)

### Process design parameters

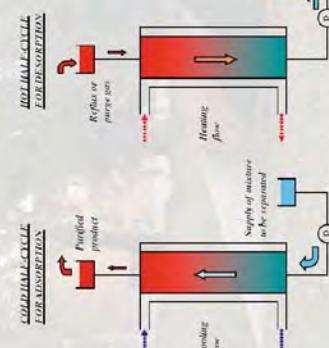
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- Purity and recovery:** scales with CO<sub>2</sub> working selectivity
  - Cycle should be optimized for specific feed gas-adsorbent combinations



Temperature Swing Adsorption based processes

### Fixed -bed

Conventional heating (steam or hot gas) is lengthy  
Mass transfer → Heat transfer  
Cycle duration ↔ Productivity



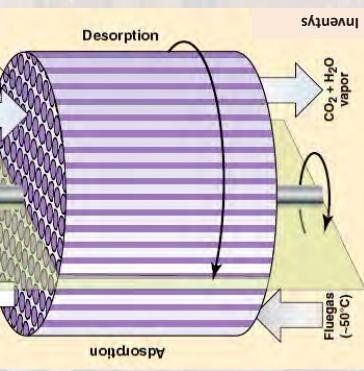
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- Throughput: working capacity
- Working capacity: wall thickness and voidage
- Conformations:
  - Monoliths: HiPerCap focus
  - Fabric structures
  - Laminates
- Monolith design parameters:
  - Cell density: ensure high loading
  - Wall thickness: mass transfer resistance (external film and pore diffusion)
  - Bed length: sufficient residence time

Table 2.3 Physical, electrical, adsorption and cost properties of ACM, ACF, and AFC (Li et al., 2008; Carbon 44:2715-2723; ACM Adsorbent Model 44:2715-2723; ACF: Adsorbents 572; AFC: AFC-Ster-250 (Aerim and Haas, Inc.))	
Specific surface area ( $m^2/g$ )	1.0
Monolithic volume ( $cm^3/g$ )	$1.8 \times 10^{-8}$
Monolithic capacity ( $g/g$ )	0.21
Monolithic capacity ( $g/g$ )	0.44
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Throughput ratio	0.84
Length of packed bed (m)	$0.24 \times 10^{-3}$
Electrical resistivity at 455 K (Ω m)	$3.9 \times 10^{11}$
Max. achieved separation factor (46 °C) (kg/kg)	20
Cost (\$/kg)	1.6
Monolith Spherical Beads	Fiber cloth



## Adsorbent requirements from process operation

- Minimal compression of flue gas (vacuum operation) needs large working capacities between 0 and 1 bar
- Regeneration of the adsorbent is where the energy is needed
- Difference between adsorption and desorption for CO<sub>2</sub> compared to other gases is key
- Large adsorption amount is not necessarily better
- Interaction of species is important (impurities)

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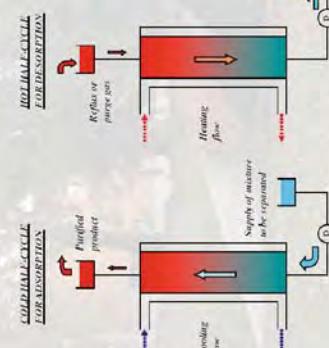
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## Temperature Swing Adsorption based processes

### Moving-bed: Particulates

**Advantages:**

- High working capacities
- Uses the heat contained in the flue gas for regeneration
- Low pressure drop

**Challenges:**

- Hydrodynamics: scarce data
- Velocity: limited by fluidization
- Particle residence time in the regeneration section

**Diagram:** A schematic diagram of a moving-bed adsorption system. It shows a reactor vessel containing a bed of particles. A gas stream enters from the bottom left, passes through the bed, and exits at the top. The bed is supported by a distributor plate. A heating coil is located at the bottom of the reactor. A separate regeneration section is shown above the reactor, connected by pipes. A legend indicates different types of CO2 emitters: Red (High CO2 exhaust), Orange (Warm Lime CO2 exhaust), Yellow (Coal lime CO2 exhaust), and Blue (Coal low CO2 exhaust). A note says '4-2020 Adiabatic Research Inc. All Rights Reserved'.

**Table 4: Physical Properties and Parameters Employed in Modeling**

Bed Design	Moving Bed Regenerator Design	unit flow rate number of bubbles	unit flow rate
total flow gas flow	34,000	5	kg/m <sup>3</sup> /sec
particle density	1,637		
packed bed fraction	0.53		
particle heat capacity	110 J/g·K <sub>c</sub>		
Thermal Conductivity	0.126		
gas (CO <sub>2</sub> @ 21°C)	0.012		
width (polypropylene)	0.158		
effective thermal conductivity	0.0085		
overall heat transfer coefficient	0.038 * 10 <sup>-3</sup>		
overall heat transfer coefficient (heat transfer coefficient) / (heat transfer coefficient + heat transfer coefficient)	0.91		
overall heat transfer coefficient (heat transfer coefficient) / (heat transfer coefficient + heat transfer coefficient)	0.25		
surface area per unit surface (square meters per square meter)	4000		
cross-sectional area required	76		

**Source:** Yang et al., Ind. Eng. Chem. Res., 2009, 48, 341-351

# Lab Scale Study – Carbon Fibre Composites

## Fabrication and Testing of Lab Size Honeycomb Carbon Fibre Composite Monoliths



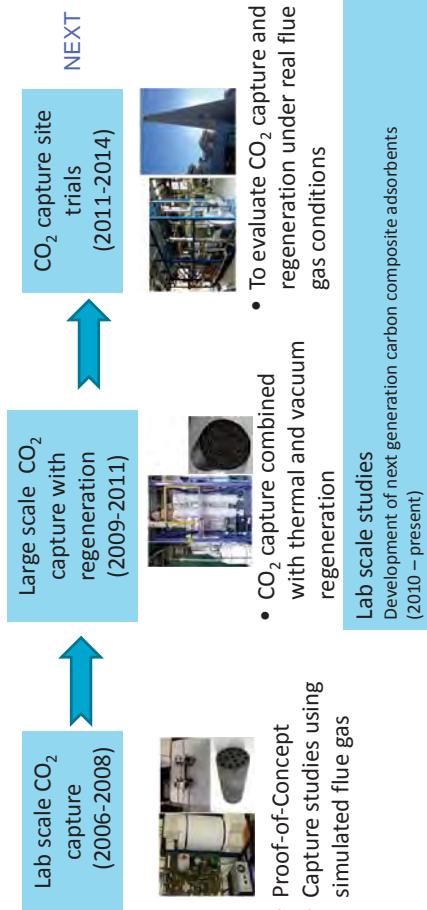
## Solid Carbon Sorbent CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Technology

### • Based on honeycomb carbon composite monoliths

- ✓ Enable CO<sub>2</sub> capture with low pressure drop
- ✓ Potentially low energy consumption for adsorbent regeneration
  - Lower heat capacity of solid adsorbents than liquid solvents
  - Physisorption - lower heat of CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption
  - Utilisation of flue gas waste heat for CO<sub>2</sub> desorption
- ✓ Tolerant to moisture, SO<sub>x</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>
  - Avoid flue gas pre-treatment prior to CO<sub>2</sub> capture; this is important as there are no FGD and SCR DeNO<sub>x</sub> facilities at coal fired power plants in Australia

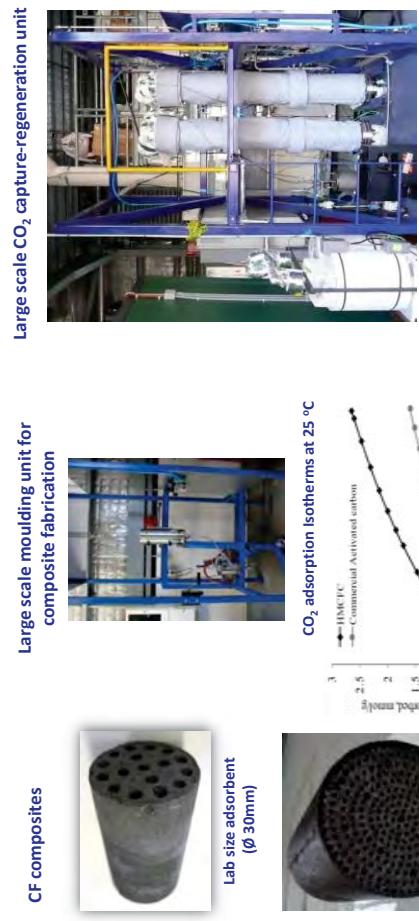


## Evolutionary Journey

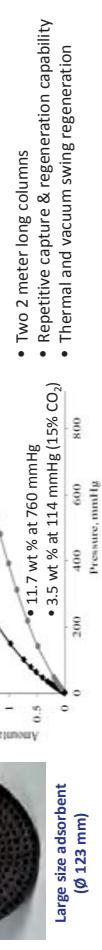
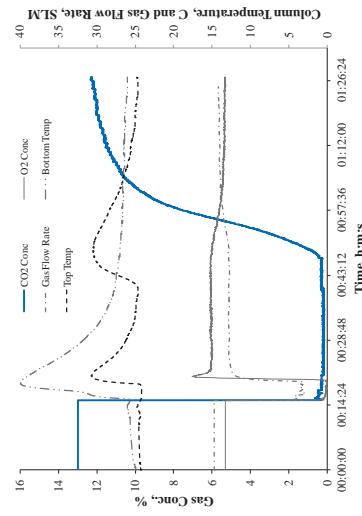


## Large Scale Capture-Regeneration Studies

## Summary of Large Scale Study Results



### Adsorption Breakthrough Profile Showing $\text{CO}_2$ capture at Real Time



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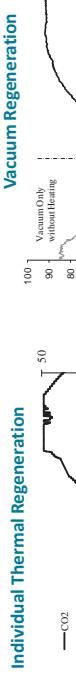
- $\text{CO}_2$  capture carried out at ambient temperature and pressure
- Simulated flue gas consisting of 13%  $\text{CO}_2$ , 5.5%  $\text{O}_2$  and balance  $\text{N}_2$
- $\text{CO}_2$  adsorption efficiency > 97% from adsorption breakthrough

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## Thermal and Vacuum Regeneration



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- **Objective**
  - to evaluate the stability of honeycomb CF composite monolithic adsorbents
  - using the real flue gas at Vales Point Power Station
  - to test the effect of real flue gas characteristics on the operation and performance of the  $\text{CO}_2$  capture unit
- Site installation, commissioning and testing



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Individual sensors to measure SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO and CO<sub>2</sub> for accurate measurement

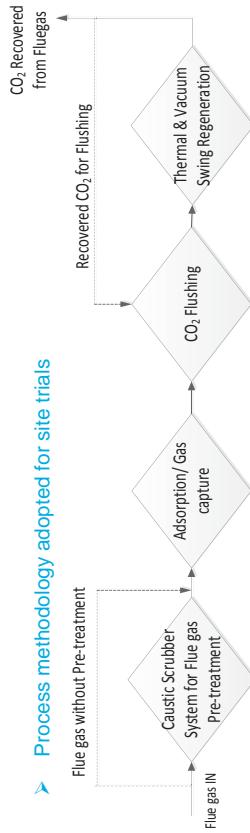


## Site Trials of Prototype CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Unit (continued)

### ❖ Site trial testing involving two main scenarios

- CO<sub>2</sub> capture performance with flue gas pre-treatment
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture performance without flue gas pre-treatment

### ➤ Process methodology adopted for site trials

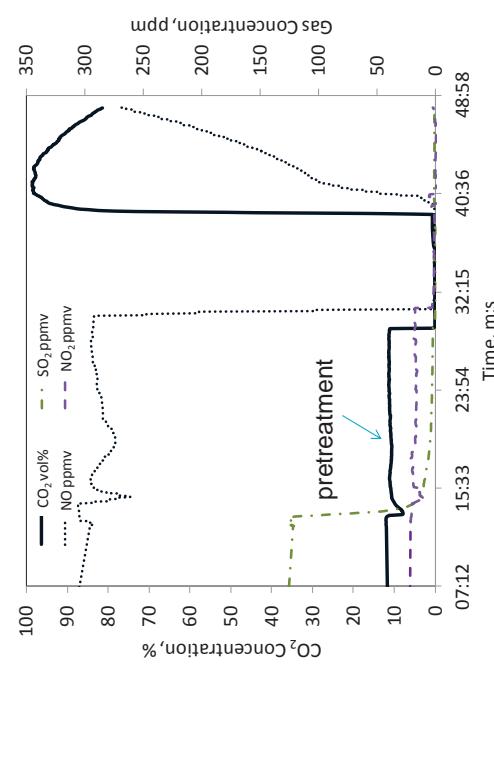


### ❖ Performance of carbon composite solid adsorbents evaluated:

- Stability of adsorbents to real flue gas evaluated from over 200 tests
- CO<sub>2</sub> removal performance
- Solid sorbent performance to removal of other gases apart from CO<sub>2</sub>

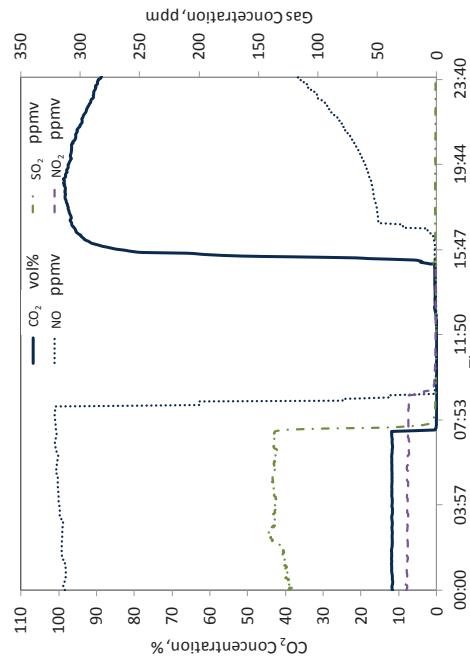
## Results of Site Trials

### ❖ Adsorption & desorption: flue gas with pretreatment



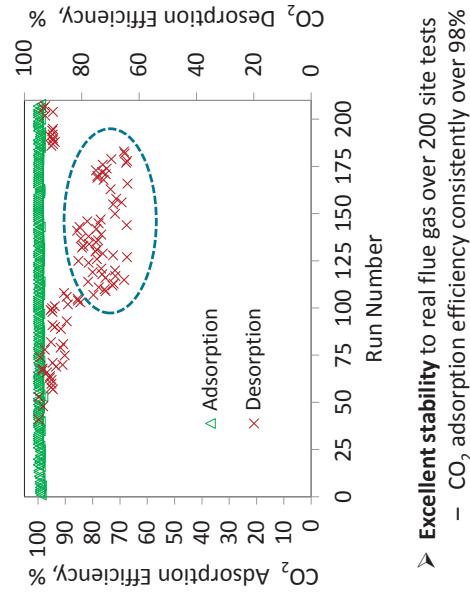
## Results of Site Trials (continued)

### ❖ Adsorption & desorption: flue gas without pretreatment



## Results of Site Trials (continued)

### ❖ Adsorbent stability



- Excellent stability to real flue gas over 200 site tests
- CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption efficiency consistently over 98%
  - CO<sub>2</sub> desorption efficiency between 90-95%.

# Development of New-Generation Carbon Composite Adsorbents

## ▪ Objective

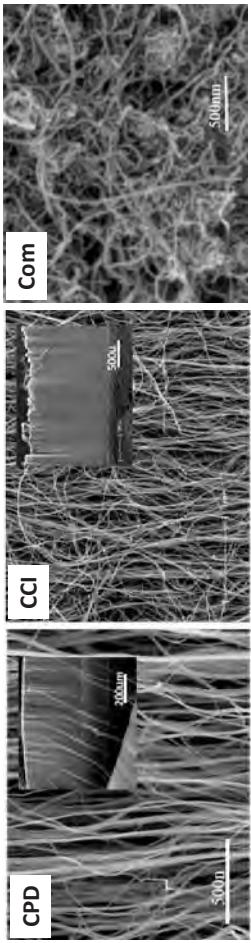
- Enhance CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption capacity (smaller footprint, lower capital and operating costs)
- Lower the cost of adsorbents using local biomass waste and brown coals

## ▪ New-generation carbon composite adsorbents

- Carbon nanotube (CNT) modified carbon composite monoliths
- *Biomass derived carbon composites (HiPerCap WP2)*

# CNT Composites - Source of CNTs

- CPD & CCI are home made, Com the commercial product

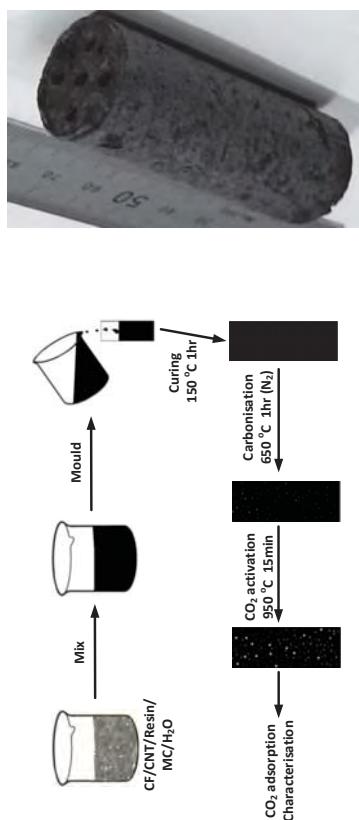


Specifications of as-produced/as-received CNTs

CNT samples	Diameter, D (nm)	Length, L (μm)	Alignment	Purity (%)	Aspect ratio, L/D
CPD	10	300	highly aligned	99.8	30,000
CCI	80	1500	aligned, some branching	97	18,750
Com	10-20	5-15	very tangled	95	400-1,500

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# Preparation of CNT Composite Adsorbents

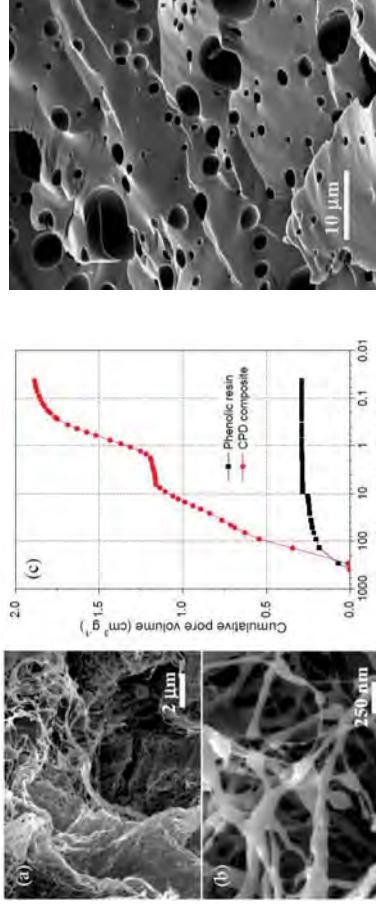


Schematic of composite preparation procedures

The current preparation method (physical activation with O<sub>2</sub>) is simpler and more economic than chemical activation (e.g. with KOH) and functionalisation with basic groups

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# SEM Morphology

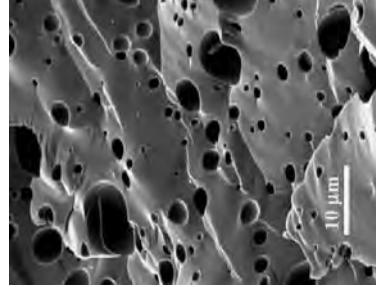


Morphology and macropore size distributions of CNT composites

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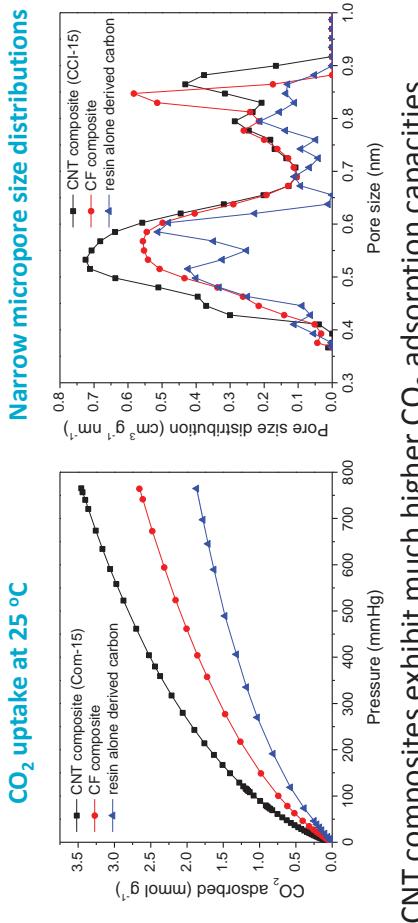


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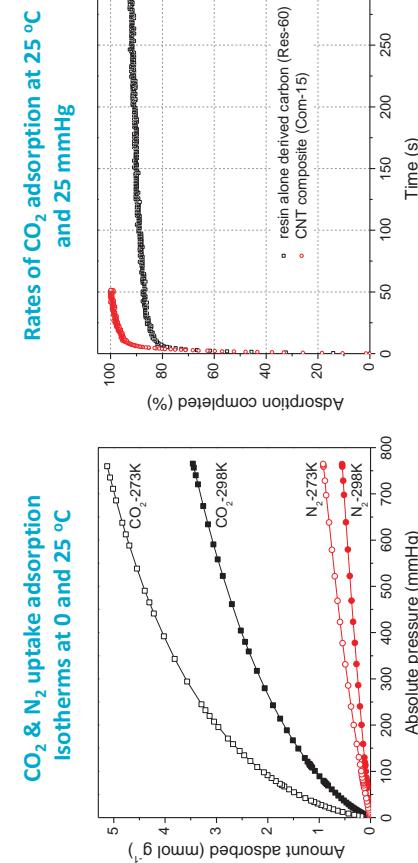
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# Comparisons of CNT and CF composites

## Absorption Selectivity & Kinetics



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## Conclusions

- Porous carbon composite monoliths show great promise in post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture.
  - Site trials demonstrate the excellent stability of the carbon composite adsorbent towards real flue gas.
- New-generation CNT carbon composite adsorbents exhibit significantly enhanced CO<sub>2</sub> uptake particularly under low CO<sub>2</sub> pressures, which is of more relevance for flue gas applications.

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# How can MOFs save the world?

Breakthrough Post Combustion Capture Technologies workshop

March 25-26<sup>th</sup> 2015, Melbourne, Australia

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## Outline

- CO<sub>2</sub> capture schemes
- Various sorbents - What are MOFs?
- MOFs in CO<sub>2</sub> capture
  - Requirements for use in CO<sub>2</sub> capture
    - Post-combustion adsorption
    - Pre-combustion adsorption
  - MOF formulation
- Conclusions

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**Most effective**

CSIRO 'solar sponge' soaks up CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

CSIRO discovered a new photosensitive metal organic framework (MOF) that could

**Cool New Sponges Can Recycle CO<sub>2</sub> Into Fuel** by Beth Buczynski, March 6, 2013, 5:00 am

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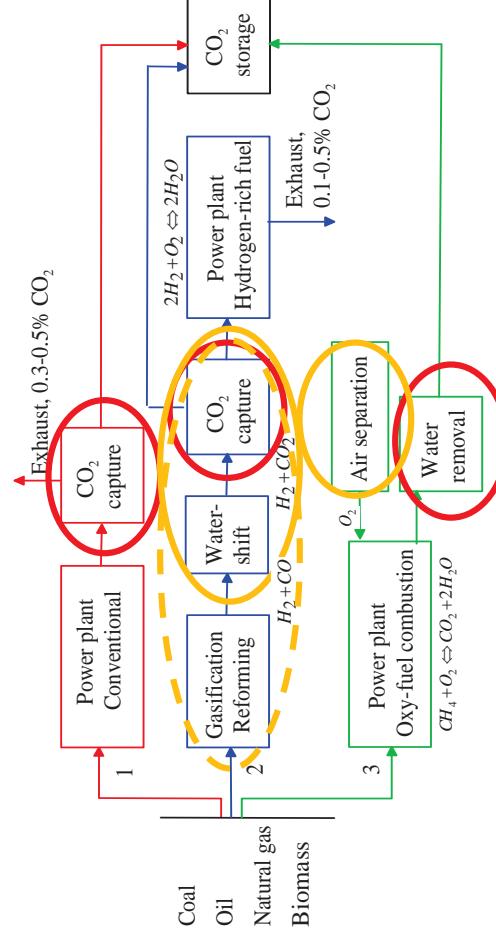
MOF gate opens selective CO<sub>2</sub> gas storage door

Pores & plenty Composed of 1,3,5-benzenetricarboxylate units and zinc clusters (blue), MOF-177 can store exceptionally large quantities of CO<sub>2</sub> in its pores (yellow)

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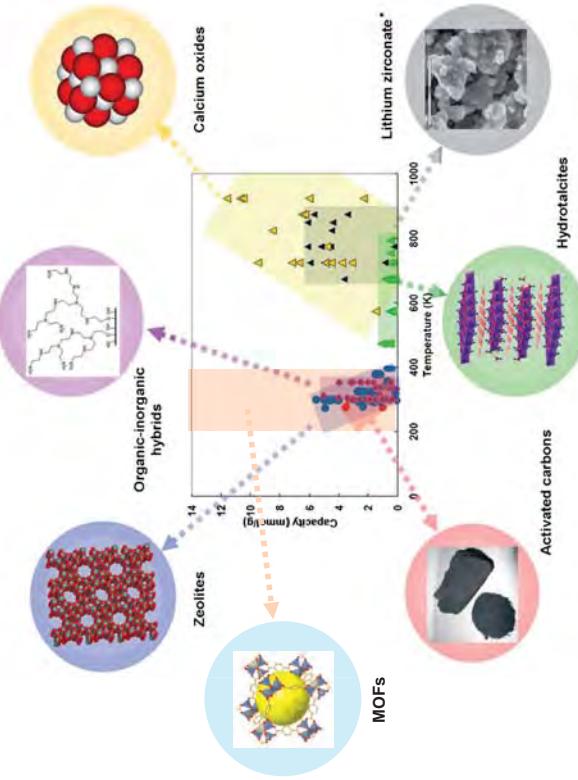
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## Various families of CO<sub>2</sub> sorbents:



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## What determines the applicability of a certain adsorbent?

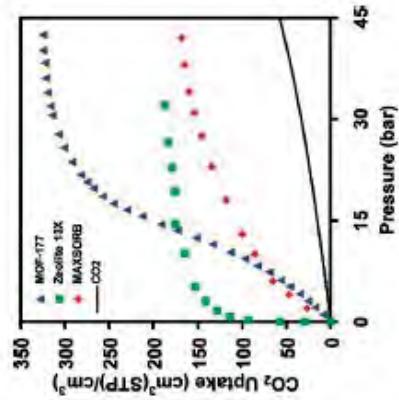
- The **shape** of the isotherm relative to **boundary conditions** of the adsorption process.
  - T, p & composition of inlet gas
  - T, p & composition demand of outlet gas(es)
- For TSA processes you need a sorbent having large capacity difference between sorption and desorption temperatures
- For a PVSA process you need a sorbent having large capacity different between the sorption and desorption pressures

- **And Kinetics!**
- And certainly; **selectivity** is an issue.....
- And so is the **physical stability** of the sorbent.....

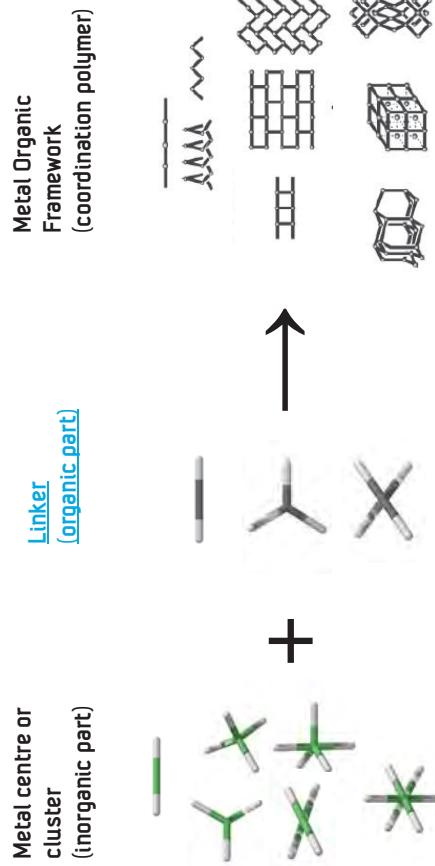
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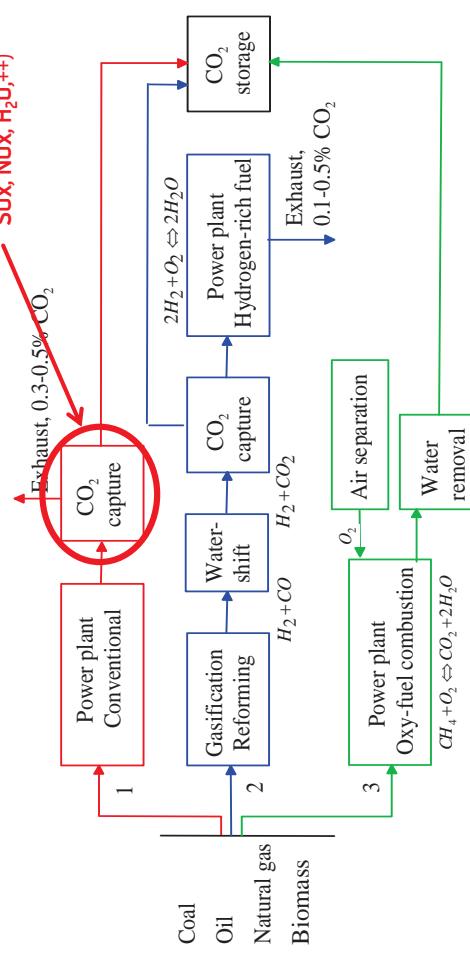


## What are MOFs?



- Combining the whole inorganic chemistry with the **whole organic chemistry** give a close to infinite number of possible diverse structures !

## Post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture - possible use of MOF based sorbents



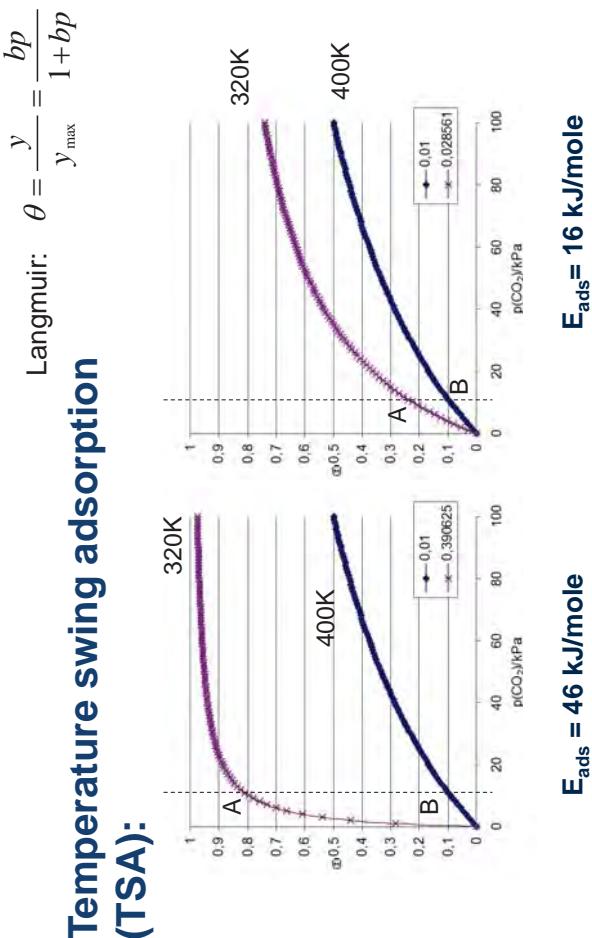
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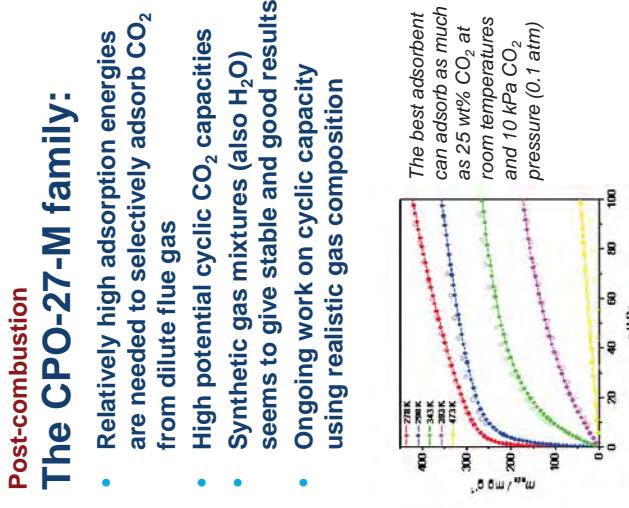
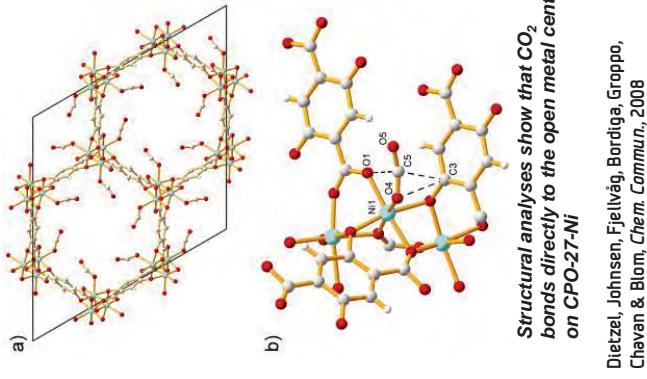


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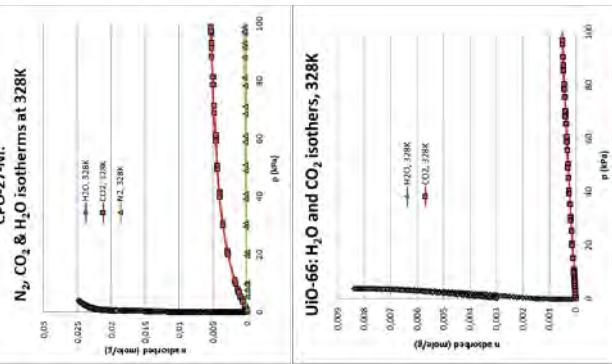
## Post-combustion The CPO-27-M family:

- Relatively high adsorption energies are needed to selectively adsorb CO<sub>2</sub> from dilute flue gas
- High potential cyclic CO<sub>2</sub> capacities
- Synthetic gas mixtures (also H<sub>2</sub>O) seems to give stable and good results
- Ongoing work on cyclic capacity using realistic gas composition



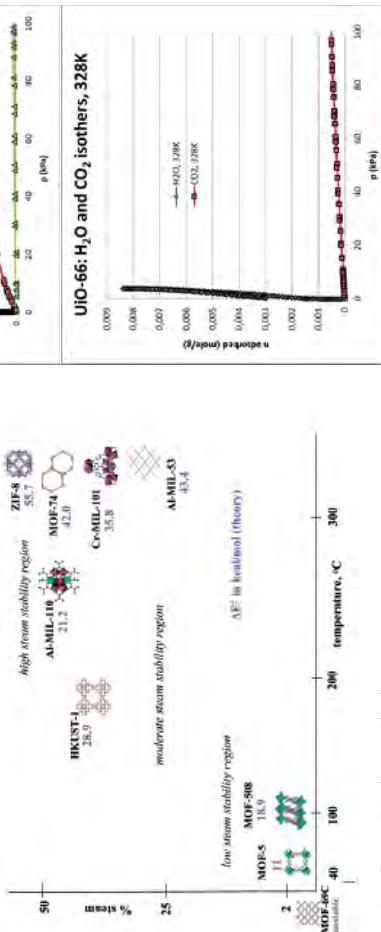
## VSA using CPO-27-Ni beads:

- Steady cyclic CO<sub>2</sub> capacity is achieved also in the presence of moisture
- At wet conditions, under counter-current regeneration, the cyclic CO<sub>2</sub> capacity reaches a steady state level of about 80% of the cyclic CO<sub>2</sub> capacity at dry conditions.



## MOF challenges: Water stability and selectivity.....

- Hydrothermal stability.....
- If stable... what is the moisture limit?
- Kinetics.....



Low, Benin, Jakubczak, Abrahamian, Faheem & Willis, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2009  
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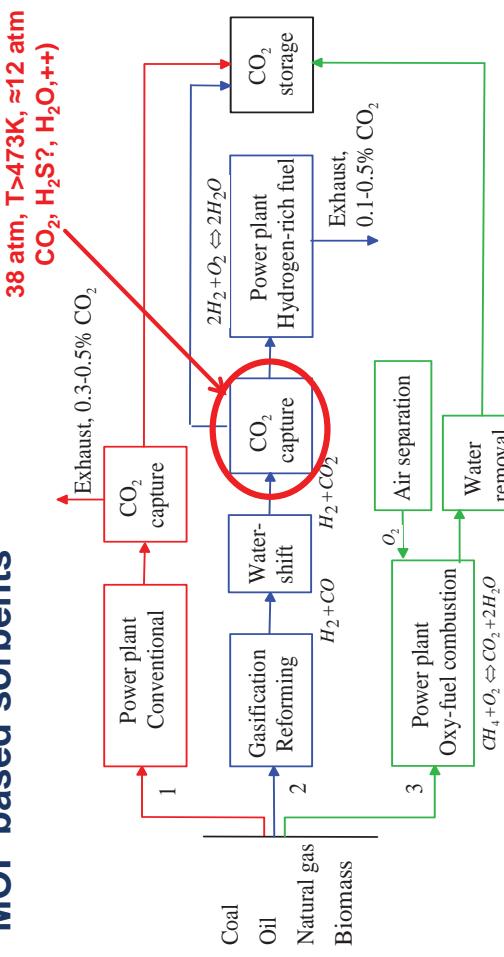
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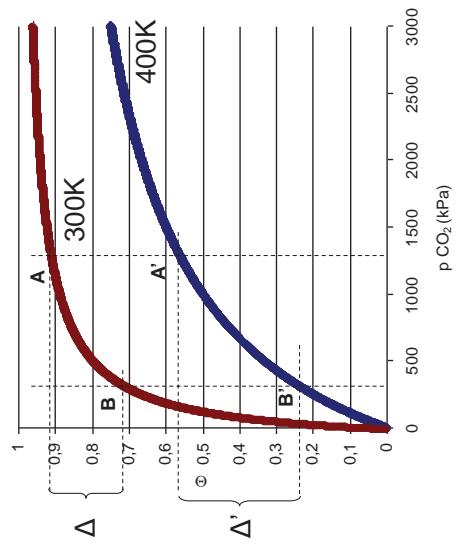
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## Pre-combustion Pressure/Vacuum swing adsorption (PVSA)

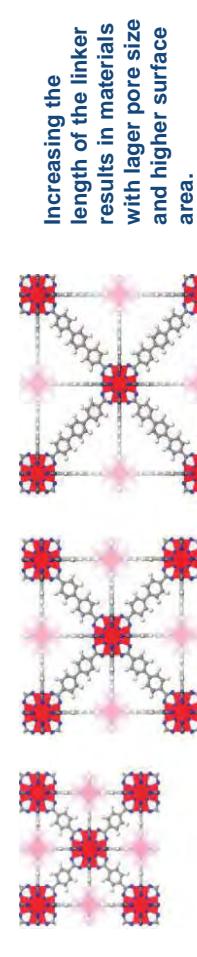


$E_{ads} = 20 \text{ kJ/mol}$ .  
Vertical dotted lines at 13 and 3 atm.

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## Systematic increment of pore size: UiO-6X system



UiO-66 BET=1100-1350 m<sup>2</sup>/g Probe 6 Å diameter.

UiO-67 BET=2200-2450 m<sup>2</sup>/g Probe 8 Å diameter.

UiO-68; Probe 8 Å diameter.  
Cavka, Jakobsen, Olsøe, Guillou, Lambert, Bordiga & Lillerud, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 2008

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## Pre-combustion

### Physical properties of the different adsorbents: state-of-art vs. novel MOF adsorbents

	Activated Carbon	USO-2-Ni	UiO-67/MCM-41
d <sub>p</sub> [mm]	3	1-2	0.2-0.5
r <sub>part</sub> [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	1970	1700	1570
r <sub>bed</sub> [kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	507	300	320
Cs [J/K kg]	1000	1160	1250

Structure and CO<sub>2</sub> isotherms of USO-2-Ni

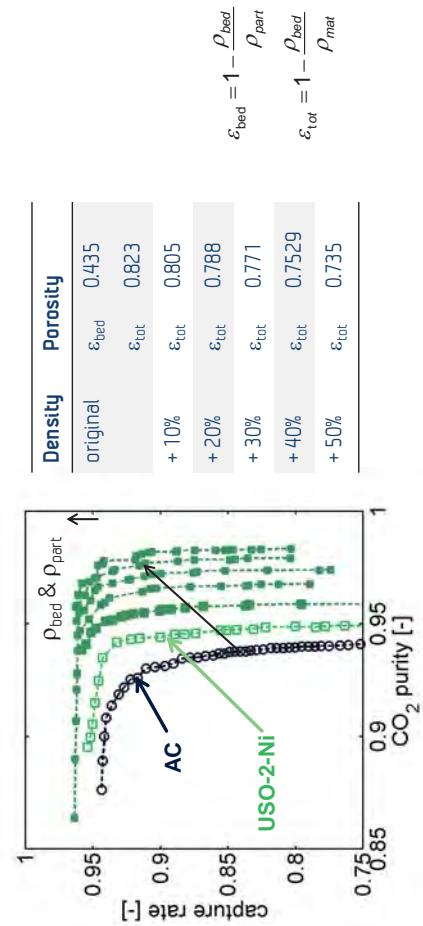
Casas, Schell, Blom, Mazzotti, Sep. Purif. Techn., 2013

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## Comparison assuming higher densities for the MOFs - modeling of 6-column PSA separation process based on breakthrough experiments

## So formulation is important !



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## MOF formulation: Can a general method be developed?

- Pelletizing:** The fine powder is blended with a binder (e.g. polyvinylalcohol (PVA), graphite or silica) and pressed at a certain pressure to give pellets which can be crushed and fractionized by sieving.
- Cake crushing:** The fine powder is mixed with a certain amount of a binder, typically PVA, dissolved in a solvent. Enough binder/solvent solution is added to make a paste that is dried, then crushed and sieved into the wanted particle size fraction.
- Mixing/extrusion/Spheronizing:** Using this method the fine powder is mixed with a binder (e.g. cellulose, PVA, etc.) and a solvent (e.g. water, alcohol) to give a paste. The paste is extruded to give "spaghetti" which is then freeze-dried into spheres in a "spheronizer" (a fast circulating plate)
- The alginate method:** A slurry of the fine powder is made in a solution of an alginate dissolved in water. The homogeneous slurry is dropwise added to a water solution of Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions where a spontaneous cross-binding of the alginate slurry droplets occur.

Firstly, because a chemical engineer will never put a fluffy powder into their reactor.....

Secondly, because it really improve the process performance!

But – important to keep the properties of the virgin (nano)-powder throughout the formulation process

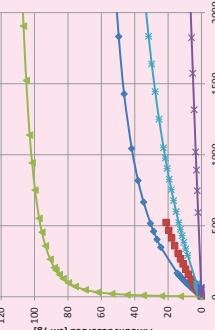
## Formulation of metal-organic frameworks - Extrusion

Focus on utilization of organic linkers that remain in the structure but provide hardness and porosity.

UTSA-16

Scale

- We have obtained around 200 grams of extruded UTSA-16 with: very low surface area loss, good adsorption properties, narrow pore distribution and with density comparable to zeolite materials.



Aguado, et al. *Chem. Eng. Sci.* 2015, 124, 159; Grande, et al., *Chem. Eng. Sci.* 2015, 124, 154.

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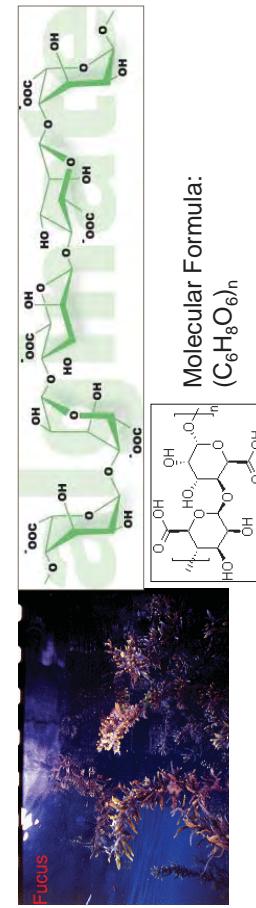
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## MOF Formulation: The alginate method



MOF formulation by molecular gastronomy methods.....



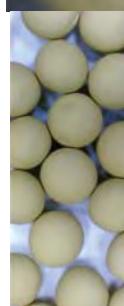
- Discovery of alginates were done by Edward Stanford in 1883
- Polymerizes into a three dimensional metal-bioorganic network in the presence of cations such as  $Ca^{2+}$
- Used in molecular gastronomy for ages.....



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## Looking into the spheres: CPO-27-Ni/alginate

- The interior has macro-pores that give fast gas diffusion



- The alginate matrix seems evenly distributed and glue to MOF crystallites together
- Still, there is a lot to gain on increasing the particle density through optimisation of the procedure

But formulation is not only preparation of well defined particulates.....

Sjølakkvik, Ditricksen, Aarti, Divekar, Blom, *Chem. Eur. J.* 2014

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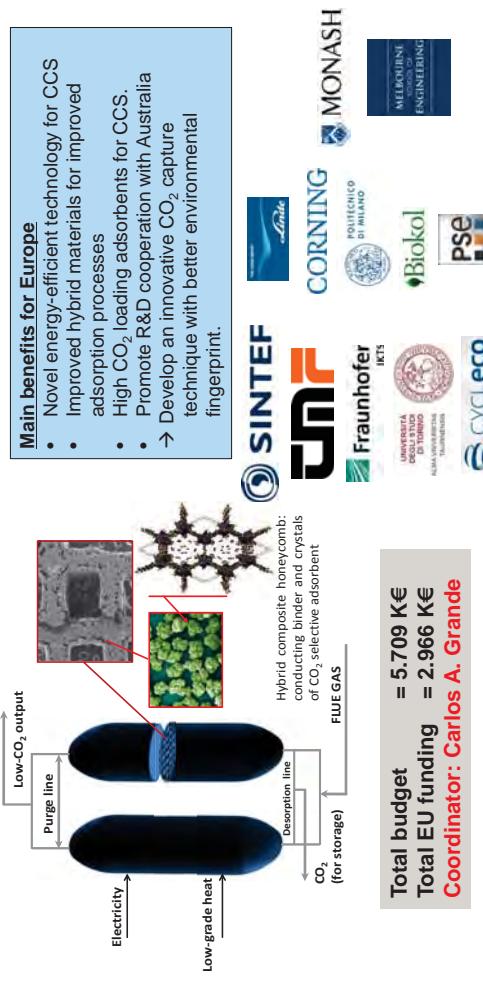
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## Advanced Materials and Electric Swing Adsorption Process for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture (MATESA)

The objective of MATESA is to make a "proof of concept" of a cutting-edge adsorption technique termed Electric Swing Adsorption (ESA) as a new-generation high-efficiency post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture process.

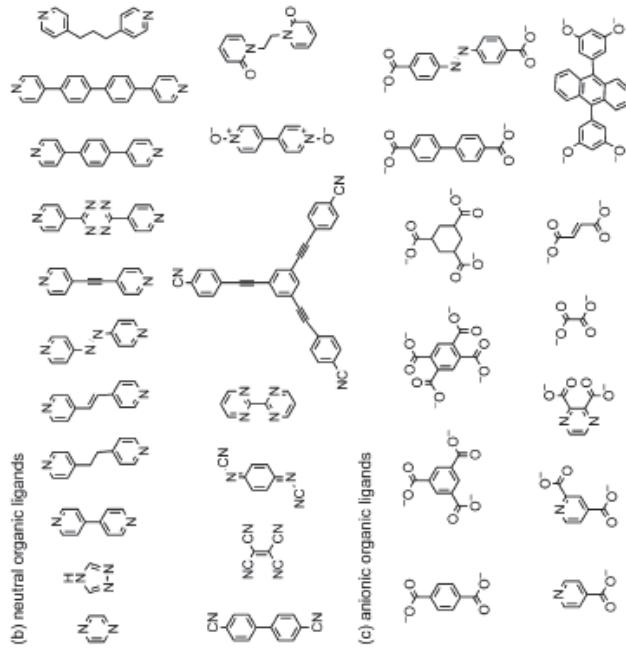


## Concluding comments:

- Several MOFs have adsorption properties superior to state-of-art adsorbents like Zeolites and Activated Carbon both for post- and pre-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture.
- However, the MOF field is still in its infancy, and certain issues needs more attention:
  - Hydrothermal stability
  - Stability in the presence of contaminants (SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, etc.)
  - Water selectivity (?)
  - Still black box synthesis (?)
  - Price (?)
- Developing good formulation techniques that maintain the good properties of the MOF at high volumetric capacities are needed before real application takes place



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# Electrical Swing Adsorption for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

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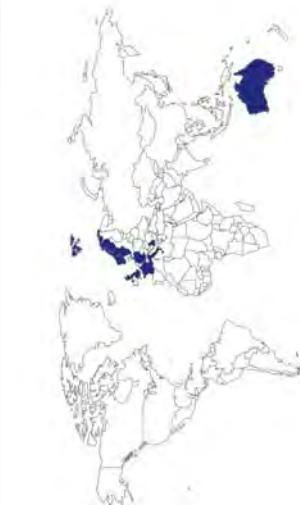
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## MATESA partners

- The consortium is formed by: 5 universities (2 Australian), 2 R&D institutes, 3 SMEs and 2 large industries.



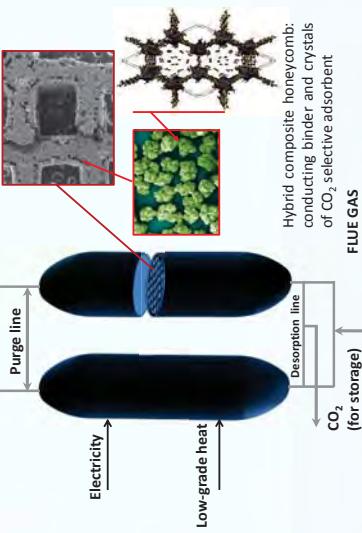
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# Electrical Swing Adsorption for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



## Advanced Materials and Electric Swing Adsorption Process for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

EU-Australian Cooperation, 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Project, ENERGY



## The main idea

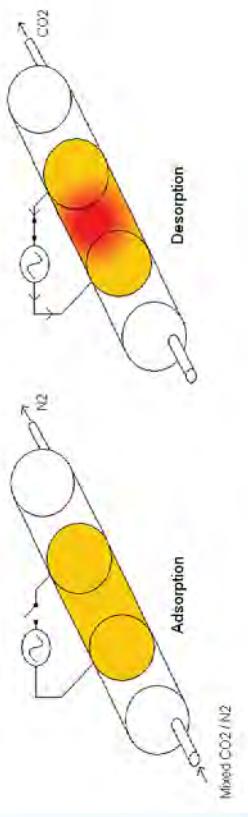
- Create a honeycomb material able to conduct electricity.
- Embed within this a material able to selectively adsorb CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Use this material in an innovative Electric Swing Adsorption (ESA) process.
- Evaluate the integration of the ESA process into the power plant.
- Make a full life cycle assessment of the entire capture process.



## ESA Concept

### Electrical Swing Adsorption

- A controlled (efficient), rapid, low cost regeneration process for conductive monolithic adsorbents



**Desorption is the key to an efficient adsorption process**



## Objectives of Australian Study

- Develop active carbon monoliths from brown coal
- Embed this with a highly CO<sub>2</sub> selective adsorbent material
- Evaluate performance at bench scale
- Process modeling
- Life cycle analysis

Victorian brown coal is a good carbon precursor

- it is very cheap
- it has very low inorganic content

## Heterogeneity of Victorian Brown Coal (VBC)



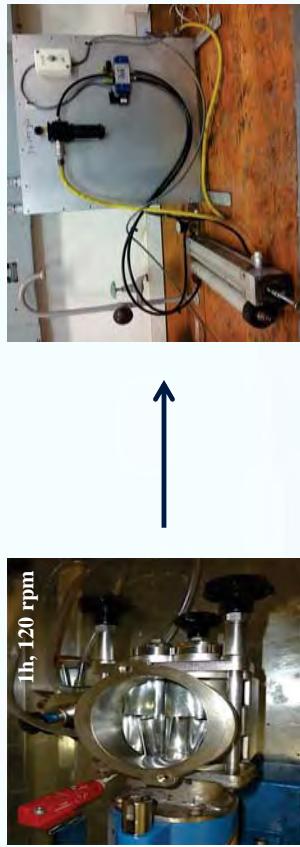
## Latrobe Valley Coal Fields



## Active carbon monoliths from brown coal

Known features from work to date:

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## Dewatering by Densification



## Strength Development on Drying

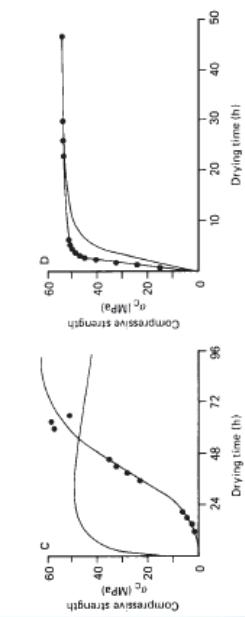
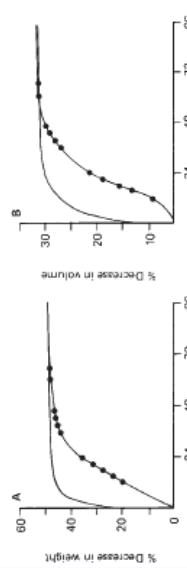
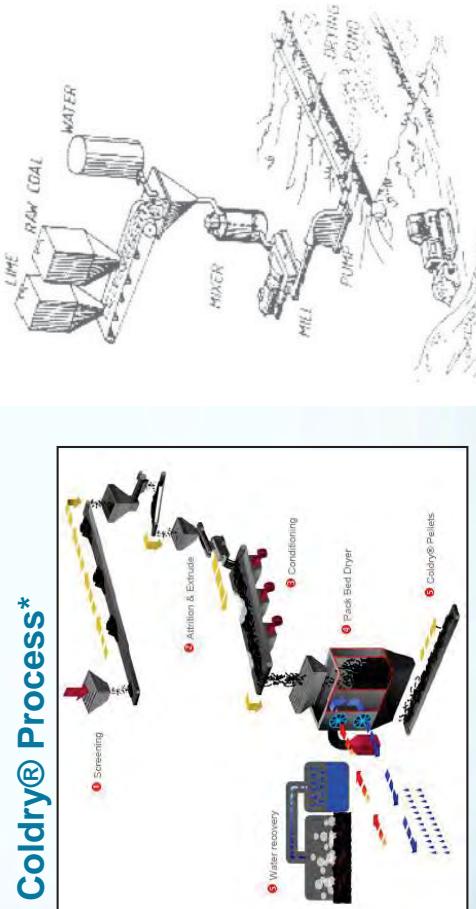


Fig. 3. Drying behaviour of densified brown coals in still (●) and in forced draught (—) conditions. A, B and C = Morwell coal (Narracan bore) containing 5% magnesite. D = Maddingley coal. (5 h heating in each case, 55% relative humidity, 20 °C; forced draught, 0.5 m/s). D = 10 mm pellets; ● - ● = 3 mm pellets, both under forced draught conditions.

## Solar dried coal



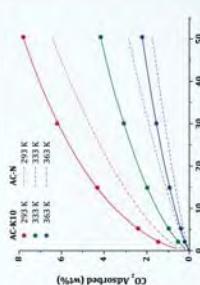
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See: www.ecctltd.com.au/coldry/the-coldry-process

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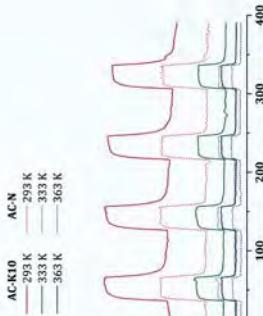
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## $\text{CO}_2$ adsorption of brown coal derived carbon

Partial Pressure Swing (0.15 – 0.05 bar)



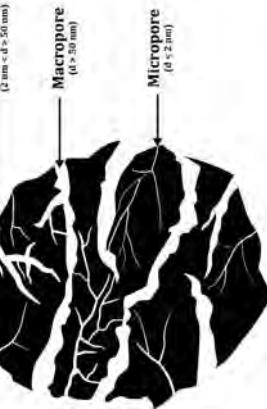
Sample Name	Yield (wt%)	Surface Area (m <sup>2</sup> /g)		Pore Volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g)		True Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )
		S <sub>BET</sub>	S <sub>BJH</sub>	V <sub>micro</sub>	V <sub>meso</sub>	
AC-N	-	794.3	673.9	0.276	0.094	1.48
VBC	-	179.1	-	0.001	-	1.40
AC-K10	51.2	859.7	-	0.229	-	1.38



LA Ciddor et al, Proceedings of the Int Conf on Coal Science & Technology 2013, State College PA, Sept 29-Oct 3, 2013, 8 pp.



## Active carbon powders from brown coal



Activated Carbons (ACs)

- High Surface Area & Porosity (wide PSD)
- Water tolerant (usually)
- Precursors inexpensive & readily available
- Surface chemistry easy to tailor
- Adsorption of gases on ACs is non-selective

AC Production

- Prepared by one of two activation methods:
  - Physical Activation: Pyrolysis, followed by partial gasification.
  - 1. Pyrolysis – Volatile Matter Removal
  - 2. Partial Gasification – Pore Development
  - Chemical Activation: Uses catalysts in addition to pyrolysis & partial gasification.



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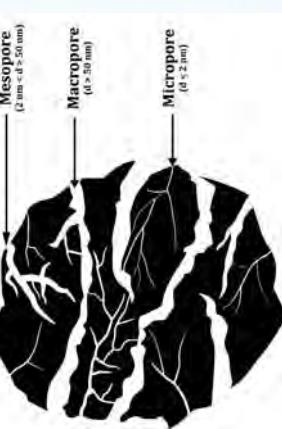
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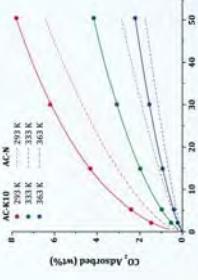
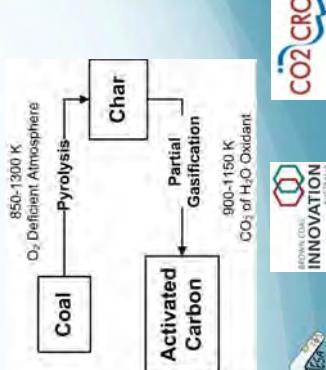
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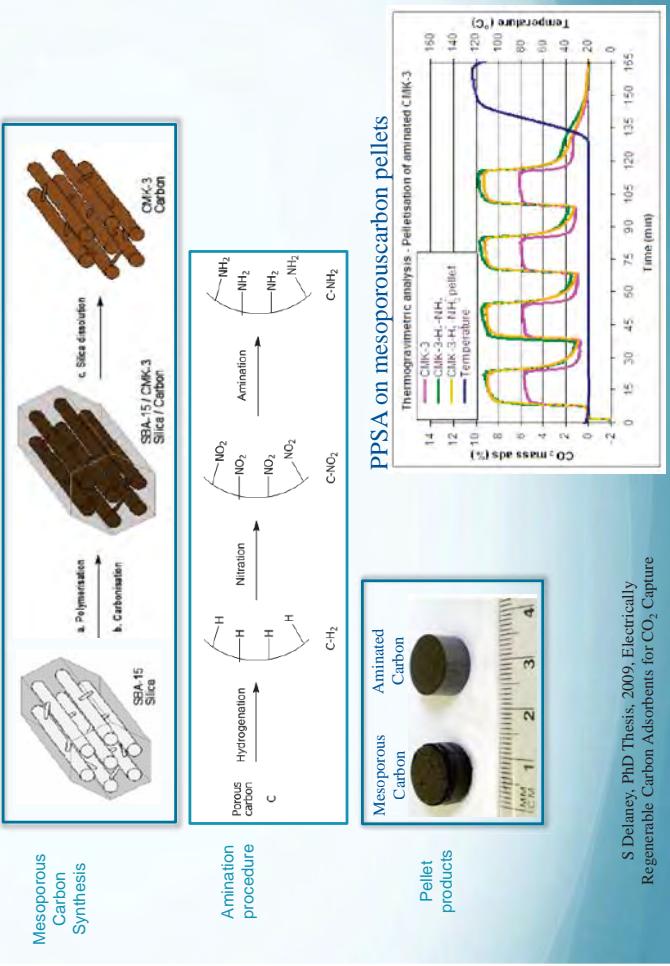
Mesopore (2 nm < d < 50 nm)

Macropore (d > 50 nm)

Micro pore (d < 2 nm)



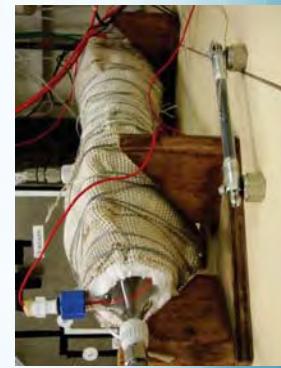
## CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption on functionalised VBC carbons



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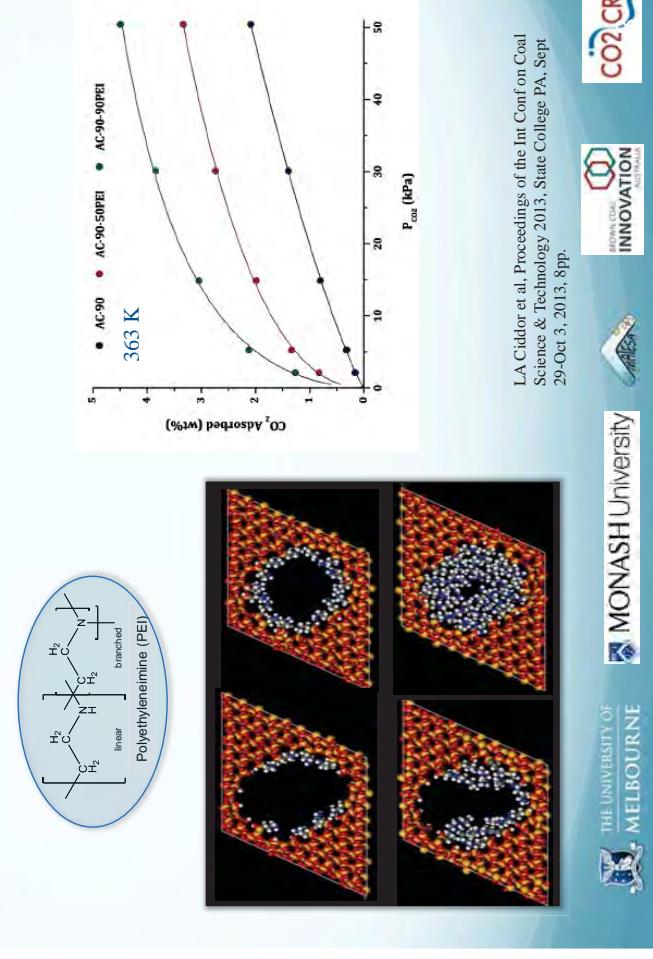
- Electrically heated reactor units
- Monoliths acquired from Mast Carbon Pty Ltd, UK
- Thermocouple reading on external surface of monolith
- Sealed in glass vessel or with heat shrink wrap



## ESA Test Facilities – Mk 1



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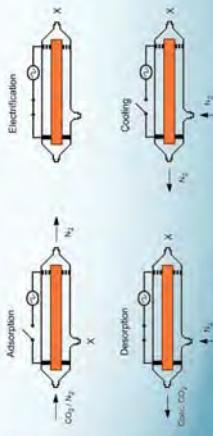


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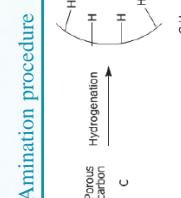


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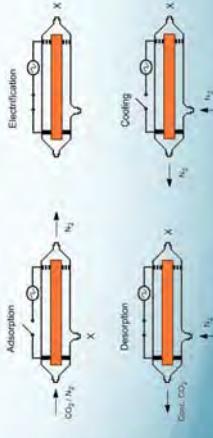
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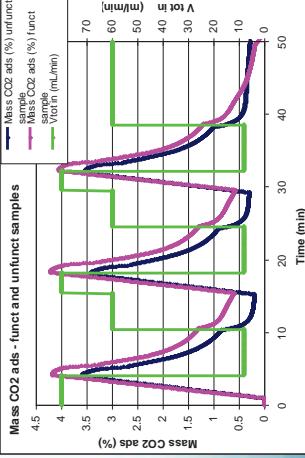
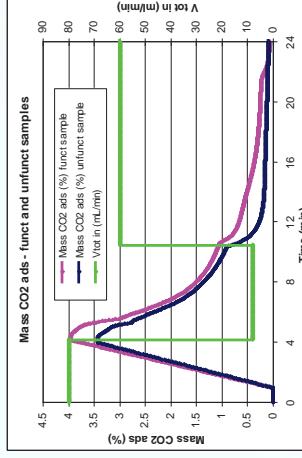
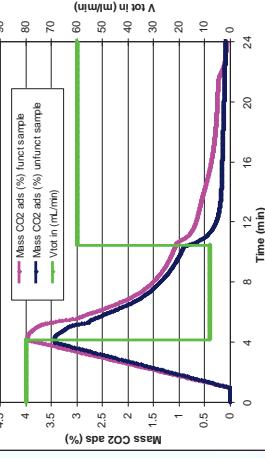
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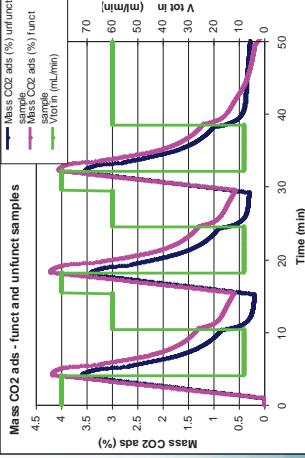
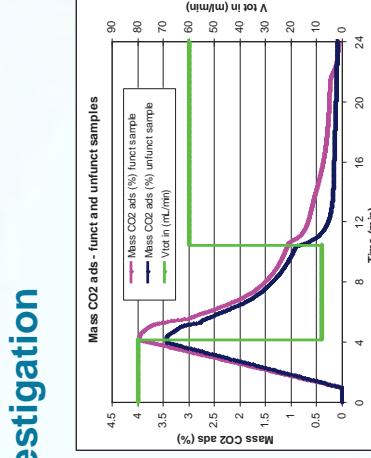
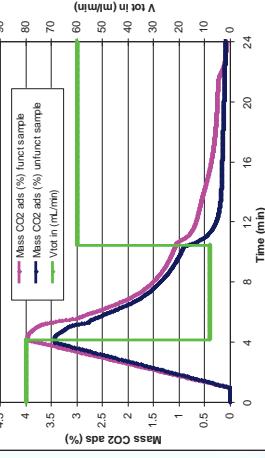


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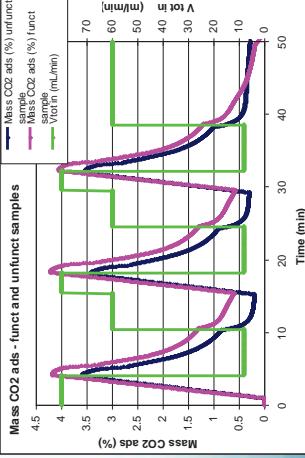
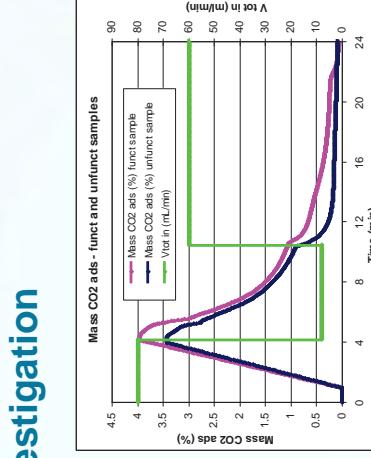
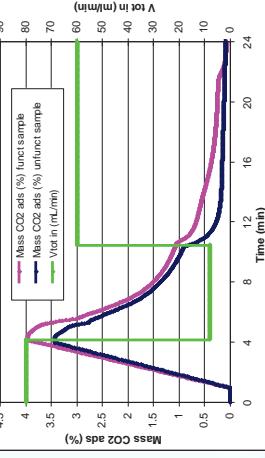
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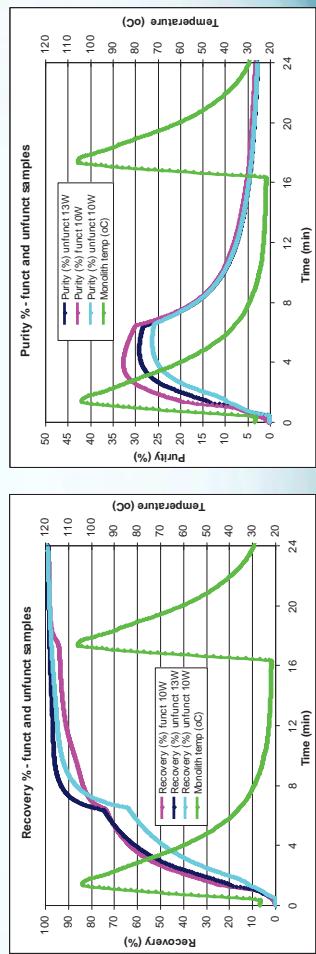
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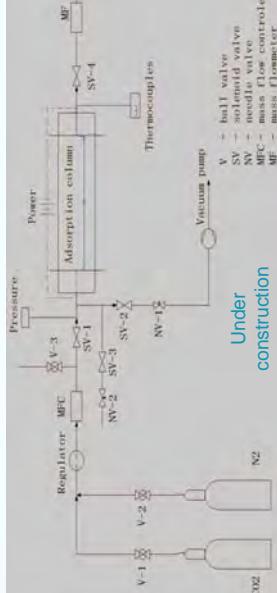
### Purity and Recovery of Desorbed CO<sub>2</sub>

- Increased rate of recovery for functionalised sample.
- Electrical stimulation higher (~30%) to effect same temp increase
- ~30% increase in resistivity for functionalised sample



## ESA Equipment – Mk 2 and 3

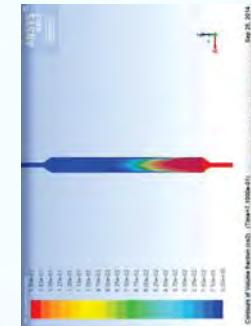
### Bench scale testing



### 4-bed testing



## Computational Fluid Dynamics



Dimension of Monolith  
Diameter: 20mm  
Length: 200mm  
Wall: 0.525mm  
Channel: 1.05mm  
CPSI: 286  
Open area: 42%

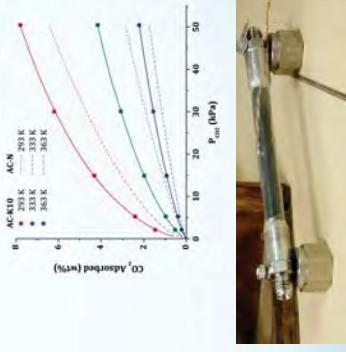
Due to symmetry, need to study the velocity of just 1/8 of monolith

## Active carbon monoliths from brown coal



### Known features from work to date:

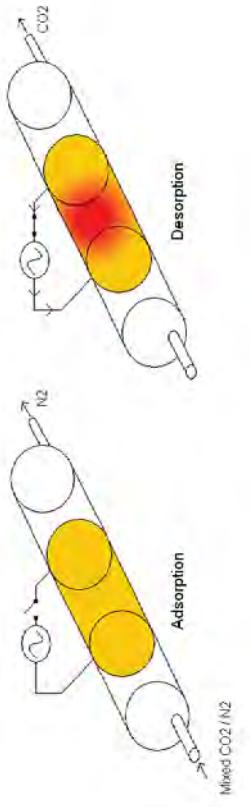
- ✓ Brown coal monoliths can be made.
- ✓ Active carbon from powdered brown coal has good reversible CO<sub>2</sub> capacity.
- ✓ Functionalised carbon monoliths improve CO<sub>2</sub> capacity.
- ✓ Active carbon monoliths prepared from polymers work for ESA.



## ESA Concept

### Electrical Swing Adsorption

- A controlled (efficient), rapid, low cost regeneration process for conductive monolithic adsorbents



**Desorption is the key to an efficient adsorption process**

**Thank you!**



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## 1. Prospects for absorption/adsorption technologies

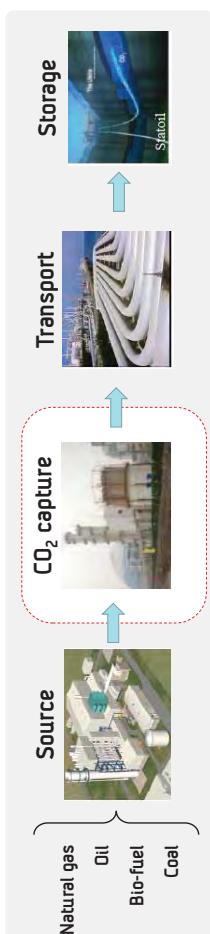
- What is the best way of up-scaling absorption and adsorption based technologies?
- What are the major challenges for both absorption and adsorption?
- Any challenges related to emission of harmful amines and other unwanted components?
- Do the adsorption and adsorption technologies have any advantages regarding operational flexibility?
- Differences and similarities between Europe and Australia and what can we learn from each other?
- Are the absorption based technologies completely developed?
- How much can you expect to reduce the heat requirement?
- Is CO<sub>2</sub> purity an issue for all technologies addressed?

## HiPerCap - High Performance Capture

FP7 Grant agreement n° 608555

### Panel discussions

Melbourne, Australia 25-26 March 2015



## 2. Industrial applications of membranes and methodologies for technology evaluations

### Membranes

- What is the best way of up-scaling membrane based technologies and can they really offer an improvement in plant footprint compared to amine scrubbing?
- What indication do we currently have that membranes can offer improved energy performance in comparison to amine scrubbing?
- What are the major challenges for membrane based capture technologies?
- Membranes in Europe vs. Australia

### Technology Benchmarking

- How do we account for operability and flexibility?
- Is CO<sub>2</sub> purity an issue for all technologies addressed (absorption/adsorption/membranes)
- Are there any added environmental benefits of the new technologies addressed in HiPerCap?
- Do any of the considered technologies provide reduction in CAPEX?

## Overview

- What has been the motivation for developing CCS technologies and projects within Europe?
- What has been the outcome of European initiatives?
  - Why hasn't this led to large scale demonstration?
  - ...and what does the future hold for CCS in Europe

## CCS in Europe – Current Status and Future Prospects

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## The E.ON Group: An overview

- We stand for **cleaner & better** energy and are a global, specialized provider of energy solutions.
- E.ON SE is one of Europe's largest energy companies with over 62,000 employees and a presence throughout Europe, North America, Russia, Brazil and Turkey.
- Global Business Units Include:
  - Exploration & Production
  - Generation
  - E.ON Technologies
  - Global Commodities
  - Renewables



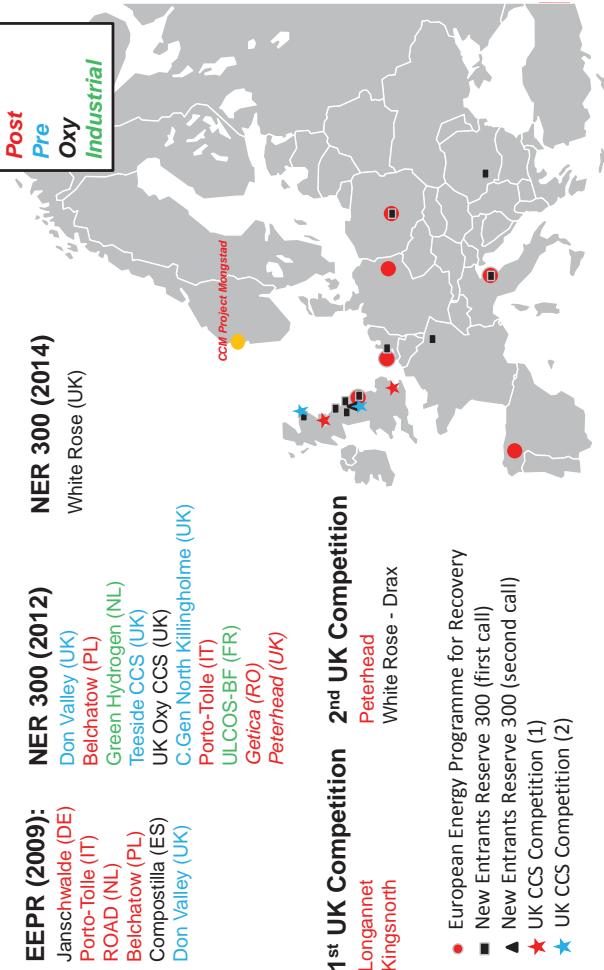
**As an owner and operator of coal and gas fired power plant –  
CCS is of direct relevance to E.ON**

**2050 vision:** Leaders have endorsed an emissions reduction target of 80-95% by 2050  
**This requires decarbonisation of Europe's power sector (93-99% GHG reduction)**

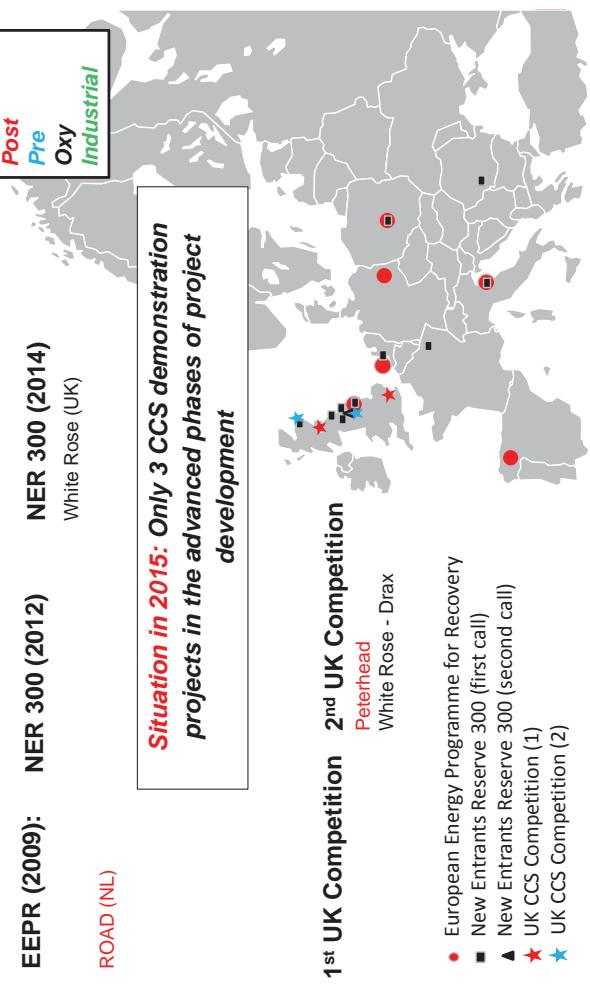


## European Motivation – Implementing CCS

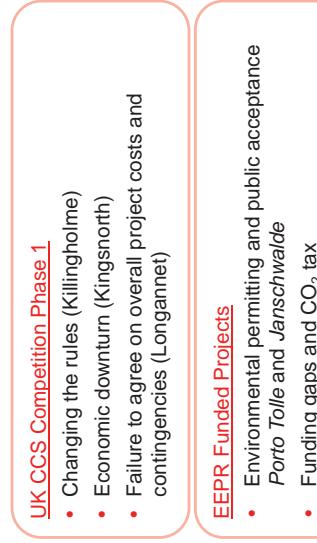
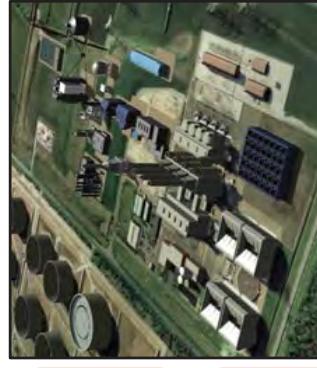
### European CCS Demonstrations on Power Plant



### European CCS Demonstrations on Power Plant



### Why are projects failing to progress?



## Status of the Current Demos (UK Competition)



**Project:** Peterhead CCS Project  
**Location:** Aberdeenshire, Scotland  
**Partners:** Shell UK Ltd, SSE Ltd.  
**Process:** Post combustion capture  
**Scale:** 1 Mt/a  
**Storage:** Offshore depleted gas field (62 miles)  
**Status:** FEED underway, FID expected Q4 2015

**Project:** White Rose CCS Project  
**Location:** North Yorkshire, England  
**Partners:** Alstom, Drax, BOC  
**Process:** New Build (coal) oxyfuel combustion  
**Scale:** 2 Mt/a  
**Storage:** Offshore saline formation (102 miles)  
**Status:** FEED underway, FID expected Q4 2015

No progress expected before 2015 UK general elections

## Status of the Current Demos (EEPR)



**Project:** Rotterdam Opslag en Afvang Demonstratieproject (**ROAD**) CCS Project  
**Location:** Rotterdam, Netherlands  
**Partners:** E.ON, GDF Suez  
**Process:** Retrofit (coal) post combustion, Fluor EFG+  
**Scale:** 1.1 Mtpa  
**Storage:** Offshore depleted gas field (15.5 miles)  
**Status:** FEED + flue gas tie-ins completed. Positive FID is dependent on closing funding gap

**Project:** Don Valley CCS  
**Location:** South Yorkshire, England  
**Partners:** 2Co Energy, Samsung, BOC  
**Process:** Pre-combustion (coal), Rectisol  
**Scale:** 5 Mtpa  
**Storage:** Offshore saline formation (102 miles)  
**Status:** Negotiations in 2014 to sell the project

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## European Pilot Plants

Development across the innovation chain has led to the advancement of first generation systems to a point at which the technology is ready for demonstration.

This is a result of:

- R&D driven by EU or government funded initiatives
- Partnerships between utilities and technology suppliers

### Large Generic:

Heilbronn (post)  
Brindisi (post)  
Esbjerg (post)  
PACT (post)  
Renfrew (oxy)  
Schwarze Pumpe (oxy)  
Bugenum (pre)  
Puertollano (ELCOGAS)  
Buggenum (pre)  
Puertollano (Nuon/Vattenfall)

**Research Scale:**  
CATO (NE)  
Tiller (NO)  
E.ON Oxyfuel CTF (UK)  
MTU

## European Pilot Plants in Operation

### TCM - Norway



**E.ON/Fluor - Wilhelmshaven**

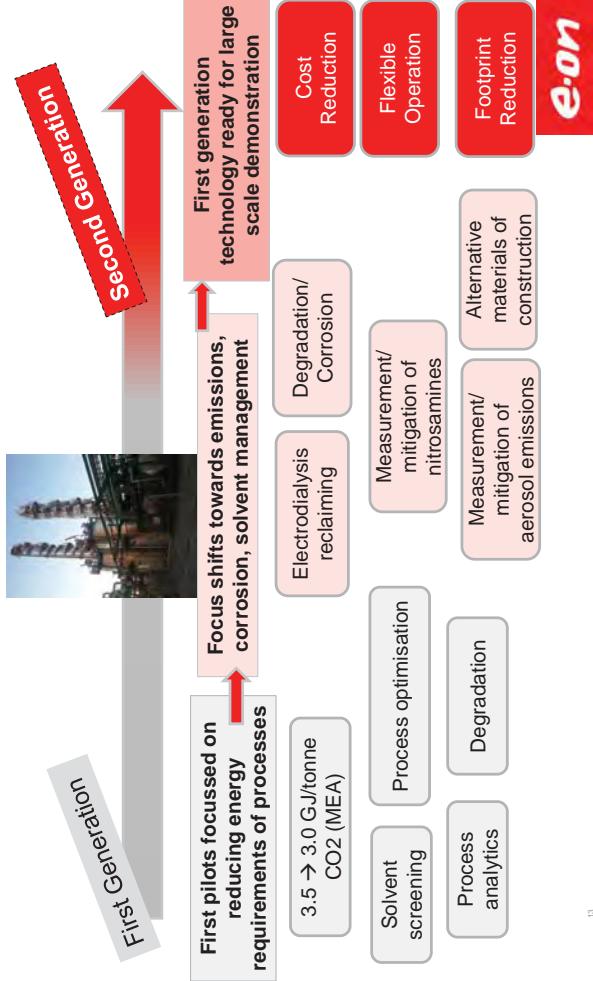
- Consists of one amine (Aker) and one chilled ammonia plant (Alstom) – 100 ktCO<sub>2</sub>/year
- CHP and refinery cracker gas source (3-13 % CO<sub>2</sub>)
- 30 wt.% and 40 wt.% MEA campaigns completed
- Aker Advanced Amine and Alstom CAP campaigns completed in 2014.
- Emission reduction systems tested
- Cansolv currently testing on amine unit (CHP gas)

- 70 tpd post-combustion capture pilot
- Based on Fluor's Econamine FG+ process
- 19400 m<sup>3</sup>/h of flue gas treated from 824 MWe coal-fired unit
- Process includes intercooling and lean vapour compression
- Gained more than 5000 hours of operation
- Investigated impact of dust and SO<sub>3</sub> on aerosol emissions
- Evaluation of energy saving systems is underway

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## European Pilot Plants – Post Combustion Experience

### In summary



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## Future Prospects

- Revision of the CCS Directive within the context of 2030 and 2050 targets
- Improving the Emissions Trading Scheme
- Reconsidering a European Emissions Performance Standard
- Creation of NER300 successor, NER400, has been agreed
- National subsidies, e.g. Contracts for Differences – Feed in Tariffs
- CCS is formally included in the UK Energy Act and is eligible for CfD payments anticipates 5 - 13 GW by 2030.

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**Fruition of the current European demos may signify that CCS in Europe is emerging from the “Valley of Death”...  
...however, the correct regulatory environment and framework is required to ensure this ‘rise’ continues.**

Thank You

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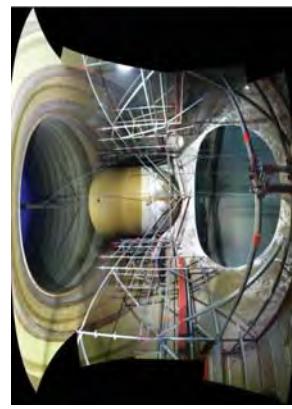
## ROAD CCS: Host Power Plant (E.ON MPP3)

**Output:** 1070 MWe

**Efficiency:** 46%

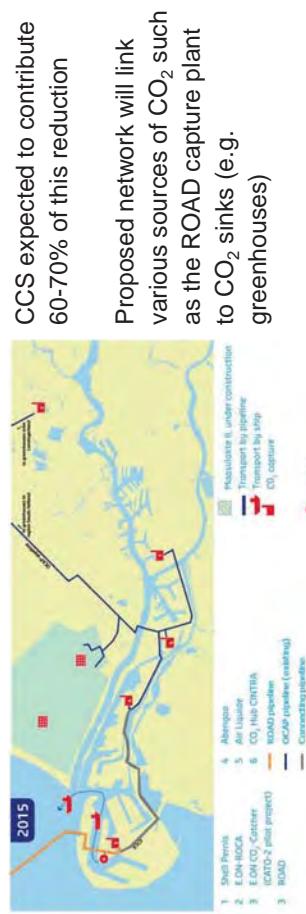
**Operational:** 2015

**Capture Ready**



## Connecting CCS and CCUS

Rotterdam industrial area has set a target to achieve a 50% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2025 (compared to 1990).



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Flue-gas interface construction work has already been completed



## ROAD: CO<sub>2</sub> Storage

- Depleted natural gas field (P18-4) will be used for CO<sub>2</sub> storage (350 → 20 bar)
- Reservoir is 3.5 km below the sea bed
- Field is 20 km offshore
- 1.1 million tonnes per year will be stored
- Capacity is 8 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> (5 years)
- Applied for storage permit in 2010 – awarded in 2013
- Ready for CO<sub>2</sub> injection



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### Membrane Based Technologies

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PhD-student CNRS      Professor NTNNU

##### Partners:

- NTNNU Norway (WP-Leader)



- TIPS, Russia
- CNRS, France
- EDF, France
- TNO. The Netherlands
- CSIRO, Australia

10/04/2015

### Task 3.1 Hybrid Membrane Development



### Task 3.1 Hybrid membrane development Status on Work

#### Objectives

- Develop a high flux mixed matrix membrane based on incorporation of functionalized SiO<sub>2</sub>-particles and nano TiO<sub>2</sub>-particles in a polymer.
- Target: CO<sub>2</sub> permeance of 2.5 m<sup>3</sup>(STP)/ m<sup>2</sup> h bar
- Selectivity CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> above 100.
- Membrane fabrication and study on transport phenomena.

#### Research Activities

- Study of the transport mechanism and role of the nano-sized particles.
- Tailoring nanoparticles to tune the desired membrane properties such as selectivity and flux.
- Nanosized particles prepared and characterized (SINTEF & TNO)
- Hybrid membranes prepared and performance tested at NTNNU
- Optimization in different iteration steps for the hybrid membrane.

#### Expected outcome

- Hybrid membranes with targeted performance
- Dedicated permeability model based on experimental flux data over a wide range of operating conditions

#### Task 3.1 Hybrid membrane development (NTNU, SINTEF, TNO) - OBJECTIVES

- Develop high flux mixed matrix membrane based on incorporation of nanoparticles in polymer.
  - Target: CO<sub>2</sub> permeance of 2.5 m<sup>3</sup>(STP)/ m<sup>2</sup> h bar, selectivity CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> above 100.
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#### Task 3.2 Supported ionic liquid membranes (SILM) (NTNU, TIPS) - OBJECTIVES

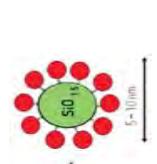
- Develop contained supported ionic liquid ceramic membranes (CLIM)
  - Target: CO<sub>2</sub> permeance above 4 m<sup>3</sup>(STP)/ m<sup>2</sup> h bar, selectivity CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> above 100
- Develop nanoporous polymer/ILs membranes
  - Target: CO<sub>2</sub> permeance 12-15 m<sup>3</sup>(STP)/ m<sup>2</sup> h bar, selectivity CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> = 20-30
  - Temperature stability >100°C.

#### Task 3.3 Process modelling and simulation (CNRS, EDF, NTNNU) - OBJECTIVES

- Develop membrane module simulation model for nanocomposite and SILM membranes
  - Evaluate the energy requirement & membrane area for different set of operating conditions
- Develop concepts for utilizing the membranes in a post-combustion process.



$$J_A = - D_A \frac{dC_A}{dx} = D_A (C_{A,f} - C_{A,p}) + \frac{D_{AC}}{dx} (C_{AC,f} - C_{AC,p})$$



HAPS Nanoparticles



#### 3. Two types of hybrid membranes will be tested:

- HAPS embedded in PVA (facilitated transport)
- TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles in PVA (Maxwell adapted transport)
- (PVA is hydrophilic by nature and has good film forming properties)



SEM: 2%PVA on PSF Membrane support

## Task 3.1 Hybrid Membrane Development Status on Work

### At NTNU-Sintef: Facilitated transport : Initial focus is on reproducing good results obtained

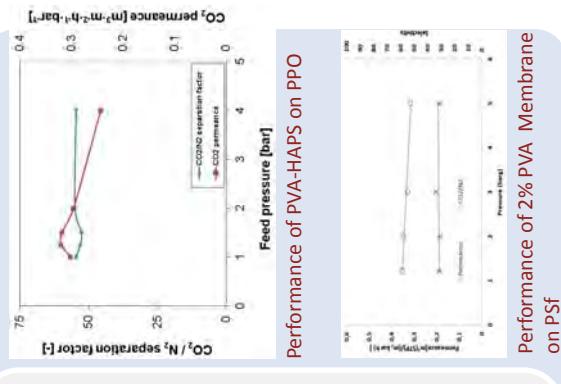
- New PVA-HAPS-1 membrane samples are manufactured
- PPO-supported PVA/HAPS asymmetric membrane
- PSf-supported PVA/HAPS asymmetric membrane
- (PPO = Hollow fibers; PSf = flat sheets)

**Results to date**

- First permeance measurements using PPO HF support, indicated CO<sub>2</sub> no success in facilitated transport

#### Conclusion

- The various parameters and variables which may influence the preparation of these membranes containing the functionalized nanoparticles are currently being systematically investigated
- Aim is to establish a reproducible manufacturing, and prepare a somewhat larger module for flux evaluation providing task 3.3 and WP4 with the required input



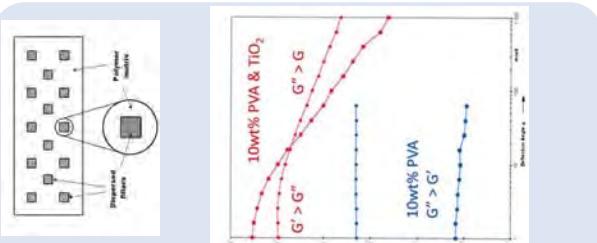
## Task 3.1 Hybrid Membrane Development Status on Work

### Ongoing Research Activities at TNO

- Synthesis of Nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> particles seems successful (first indication
- d < 20 nm)
- Well soluble/dispersible in water
- Study on interaction between PVA and nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> to indicates physical network is formed (see figure). More solid-like behaviour at low deformation and more liquid-like behaviour at high deformation.
- Factors affecting interaction under study.

#### Further:

- Nanoparticles will be sent to NTNU to be prepared as hybrid membranes; embedded in PVA on PSf flat sheet support
- Performance will be measured with and without humid gas



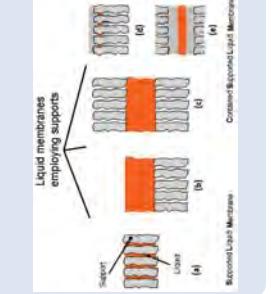
## Task 3.2 Ionic Liquid Membranes



## Task3.2 Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at NTNU – screening; OK 😊

ILs	T <sub>d</sub> °C	Types of absorption	CO <sub>2</sub> absorption capacity		Conditions bar/°C
			mol CO <sub>2</sub> /IL	g CO <sub>2</sub> /g IL	
[bmim][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	622.15	physisorption	0.295	0.0459	15.79/60
[C <sub>8</sub> min][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	647.15	physisorption	0.330	0.0428	17.38/60
[bmim][NO <sub>3</sub> ]	243	physisorption	0.224	0.0492	15.61/60
[bmim][Ti <sub>2</sub> N]		physisorption	0.213	0.0224	13.64/60
[TETAL]	—	—	—	—	—
[aP <sub>4,4,5</sub> ][Ala]-SiO <sub>2</sub>	283	chemisorption	~1.0	0.126	/25
[aP <sub>4,4,5</sub> ][Gly]-SiO <sub>2</sub>	281	chemisorption	~1.0	0.132	/25
[P <sub>6,6,14</sub> ][Im]	252	chemisorption	1.0	0.0799	/23
[Li(DOBA)][T <sub>2</sub> N]	319	chemisorption	0.71	0.072	/100

### Type of SLIM membranes



### Objectives

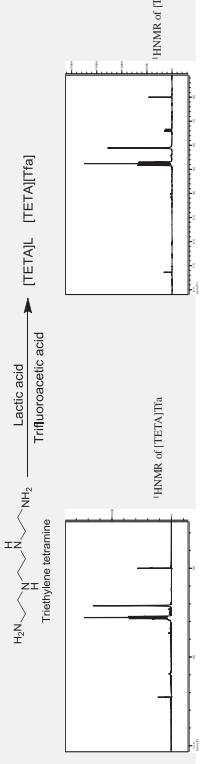
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- Temperature stability >100 °C.

### Research activities

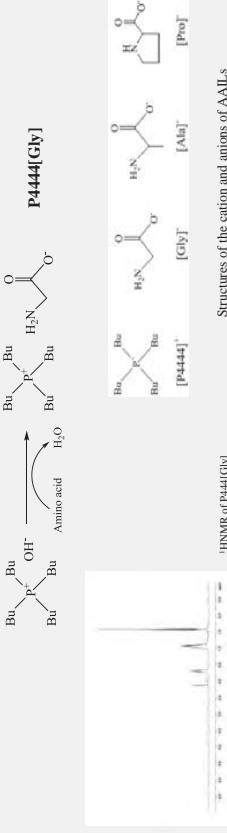
- Selection, synthesis & evaluation of ILs for CO<sub>2</sub> facilitated transport membranes (NTNU).
- Selection and synthesis of high free volume polymers and advanced porous ceramic membranes (TIPS, NTNU).
- SLIMs preparation, with focus on polymeric thin film composite support (TIPS).
- SLIMs preparation, with focus on ceramic supports (NTNU).
- Separation performance testing (NTNU).

## Task3.2 Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at NTNU – synthesis and charact.; OK ☺

### • Polyamine-based ILs



### • Amino acid ILs



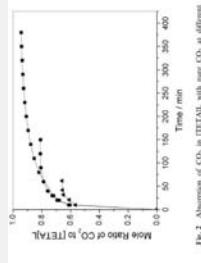
Structures of the cation and anions of AAILs

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## Task3.2 Supported Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at TIPS – the Concept

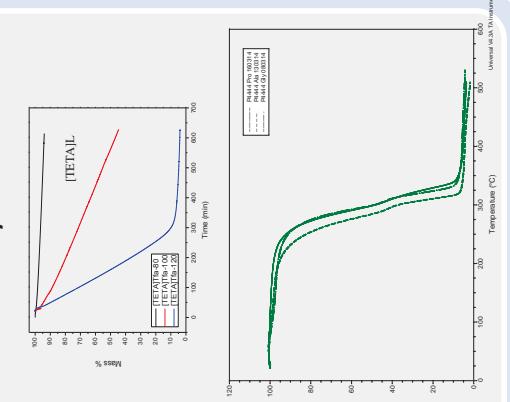


### • CO<sub>2</sub> sorption



Ref: Ren, S., Y. Hou, et al. (2012). Rsc Advances 2(6): 2504-2507

### • Thermal stability



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## Task3.2 Supported Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at TIPS – the Concept

### Imidazolium-based IL (EmimDCA) (PTMSP)

### Nanoporous glassy polymers (PTMSP)

### • High CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> selectivity – 50

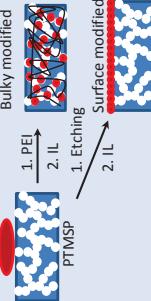
- ✓ Low vapor pressure
- ✓ High thermal stability
- ✓ High tunability
- ✓ Relatively high CO<sub>2</sub> solubility



Bara, J. E., et al. Guide to CO<sub>2</sub> separations in imidazolium-based room-temperature ionic liquids. *Ind. & Eng. Chem. Res.* 48(6) (2009): 2739-2751.

Robeson L. M. The upper bound revisited. *J. Membr. Sci.* 320(1) (2008): 390-400.

Hybrid PTMSP/EmimDCA membrane material with improved CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> selectivity



### Research activities at TIPS

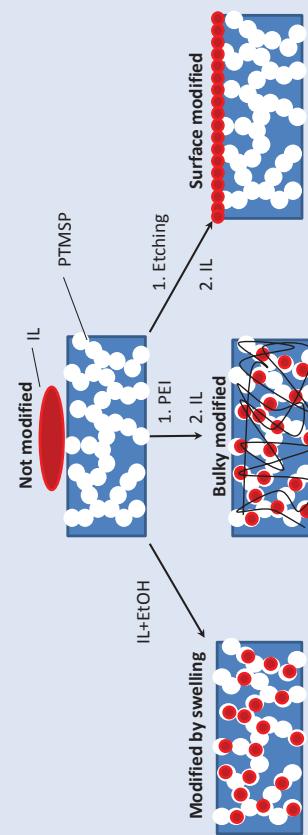
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- ✓ Temperature stability >100 °C.
- ✓ Two ionic liquids (ILs) based on imidazolium cation with high solubility selectivity for gas pair CO<sub>2</sub>/N<sub>2</sub> were selected.
- ✓ Three methods of incorporation of selected ILs into the PTMSP dense membranes were developed: modification by swelling in IL/EtOH mixture, bulky hydrophilization by X-linked PEI and IL incorporation, surface hydrophilization by chemical etching and IL incorporation.

## Task3.2 Supported Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at TIPS

### Research activities at TIPS

- ✓ The two samples of high free volume glassy polymer - poly[1-trimethylsilyl]-1-propyne] (PTMSP) were synthesized.
- ✓ Two ionic liquids (ILs) based on imidazolium cation with high solubility selectivity (50 – 80) for gas pair  $\text{CO}_2/\text{N}_2$  were selected.
- ✓ Three methods of incorporation of selected ILs into the PTMSP dense membranes were developed: modification by swelling in IL/EOOH mixture, bulky hydrophilization and IL incorporation, surface hydrophilization and IL incorporation

#### Methods of membranes modification



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## Task3.2 Supported Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at TIPS

### Gas permeation results

Membrane	$\text{CO}_2$ permeance, l(STP)/m <sup>2</sup> h bar	$\text{N}_2$ permeance, l(STP)/m <sup>2</sup> h bar	$\text{CO}_2/\text{N}_2$ selectivity	Membrane thickness, $\mu\text{m}$	Gas pressure, bar
PTMSP unmodified	2700	670	4	30	1
PTMSP / IL	2900	770	3.8	30	5
Bulky modified PTMSP + IL	6.8	0.43	16	42	1
Surface modified PTMSP + IL	20.7	0.42	47	42	5
Surface modified PTMSP + IL	110	8	14	25	1
Surface modified PTMSP + IL	120	8	15	45	5
Surface modified PTMSP + IL	240	20	12	13	1
Surface modified PTMSP + IL	240	18	13	45	5

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## Task3.2 Supported Ionic Liquid Membranes Status on Work at TIPS

### PTMSP modified by swelling in alcohol/IL

Membrane	Sorption, vol.%	$\text{CO}_2$ permeance, l(STP)/m <sup>2</sup> h bar	$\text{N}_2$ permeance, l(STP)/m <sup>2</sup> h bar	$\text{CO}_2/\text{N}_2$ selectivity
PTMSP unmodified	-	2900	770	3.8
PTMSP + (1% EmimDCA in EtoH)	0.2	2930	660	4.4
PTMSP + (5% EmimDCA in EtoH)	3.1	1060	230	4.6

- Relatively low  $\text{CO}_2$  permeance loss and gradual increase during incorporation of IL in PTMSP
- Optimization of swelling method is in progress

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### Task 3.3 Process modelling and simulations

#### Task 3.3 Process modelling and simulation (INTNU, CNRS, EDF)

##### Objectives

- Develop membrane module simulation model for nanocomposite and SiLM membranes.
- Evaluate the energy requirement & membrane area for different set of operating conditions
- Develop concepts for utilizing the membranes in a post-combustion process.

##### Research Activities

- Development of permeability models based on the experimental results obtained in tasks 3.1 and 3.2:
  - Analysis of the mass transfer characteristics (constant or variable permeability, coupling phenomena, role of temperature)
  - Modelling of the mass transfer performances for the different compounds through a general permeability relationship.
- Parametric simulation study of the performances for the two types of membranes
  - Review of the different modelling approaches
  - Influence of feed mixture composition (i.e.  $\text{CO}_2$  content)
  - Parametric study for a target  $\text{CO}_2$  purity and capture ratio
  - Analysis of the energy (pressure ratio) / membrane area trade-off
- Modelling framework in a process simulation environment with energy integration aspects

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## Task 3.3 Process Modelling and simulations Status on Work at CNRS

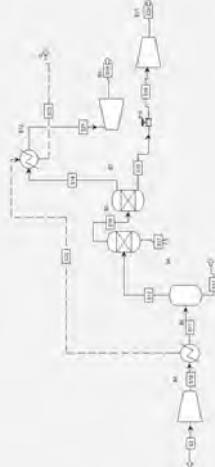
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Task 3.3 Process Modelling and simulations  
Status on Work at CNRS

### Objectives

- Develop membrane module simulation model for hybrid membranes.
- Model mass transfer with a reaction diffusion mechanism
- Enquire about possible disturbances of process modelling (temperature, water impact, competing reaction...)
- Evaluate the impact of inlet conditions variations
- Develop concepts for utilizing the membranes in a post-combustion process (Aspen Plus software)



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## Task 3.3 Process Modelling and simulations Status on Work at CNRS

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Project acronym : HiPerCap

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- Two Transport mechanisms but only one equation:

$$J_A = -D_A \frac{dC_A}{dx} = D_{AC} (C_{A,f} - C_{AC,p}) + D_{AC} (C_{AC,f} - C_{AC,p})$$

Sorption diffusion mechanism  
Reaction diffusion mechanism

$$C_{AC,f} = \frac{KC_{A,f}C_T}{1 + KC_{A,f}}$$

$$C_{AC,p} = \frac{KC_{A,p}C_T}{1 + KC_{A,p}}$$

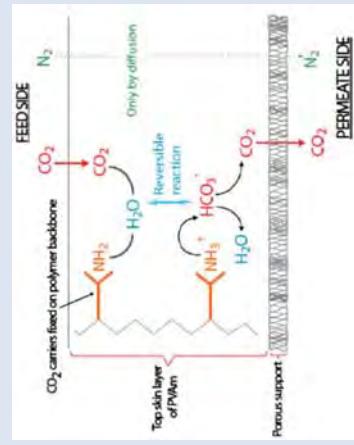
- Important parameters :

- K (equilibrium constant of the reaction) depends on temperature
- C<sub>T</sub> (Total carrier concentration) depends on nanoparticles volume fraction (5, 10, 25 wt%)
- Carrier diffusion coefficient is considered as constant

- Two transport mechanisms:
  - Sorption diffusion for N<sub>2</sub> compound
  - Reaction diffusion for CO<sub>2</sub> compound
- Main reversible chemical reaction:



- Water in the feed flow is a requirement
- Competing reactions between amine fixed sites and CO<sub>2</sub> occur

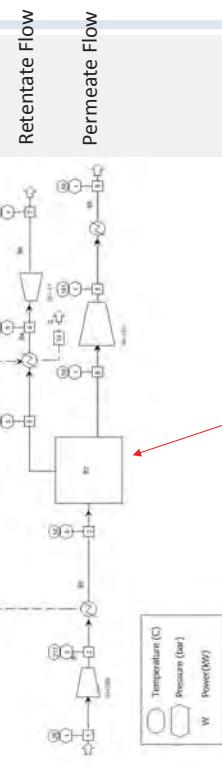
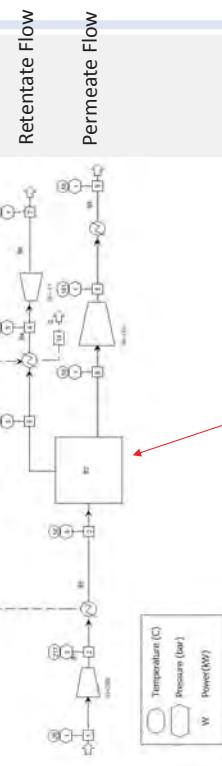


# HiPerCap<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>

## Task 3.3 Process Modelling and simulations Status on Work at CNRS

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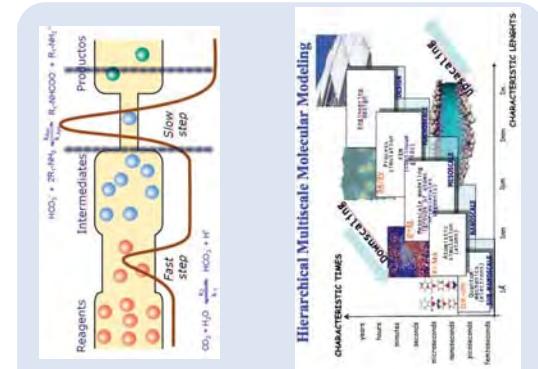


- Variation of the input conditions:
  - Temperature
  - Pressure in the upside part of the membrane
  - Pressure in the downside part of the membrane
  - CO<sub>2</sub> volume fraction in the feed flow
- Membrane area estimation
  - Energy requirement evaluation (compressor, expander, vacuum pumping)
  - Technical economical estimation (in collaboration with EDF)

**NTNU will contribute with:**

- Details on the facilitated transport model for the functionalized nanocomposite hybrid membranes.
- Providing experimental data to check the model at given conditions
- Compare the simulation results with their own in-house model, and discuss the impact of inlet conditions variations
- Contribute in discussions with respect to utilizing the hybrid membranes in a post-combustion process.

**Hierarchical Multiscale Molecular Modeling**





## Membranes for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

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- Mixed Matrix Membranes
- Membrane Gas Contactors
- Electrodialysis for Solvent Remediation
- Other Activities

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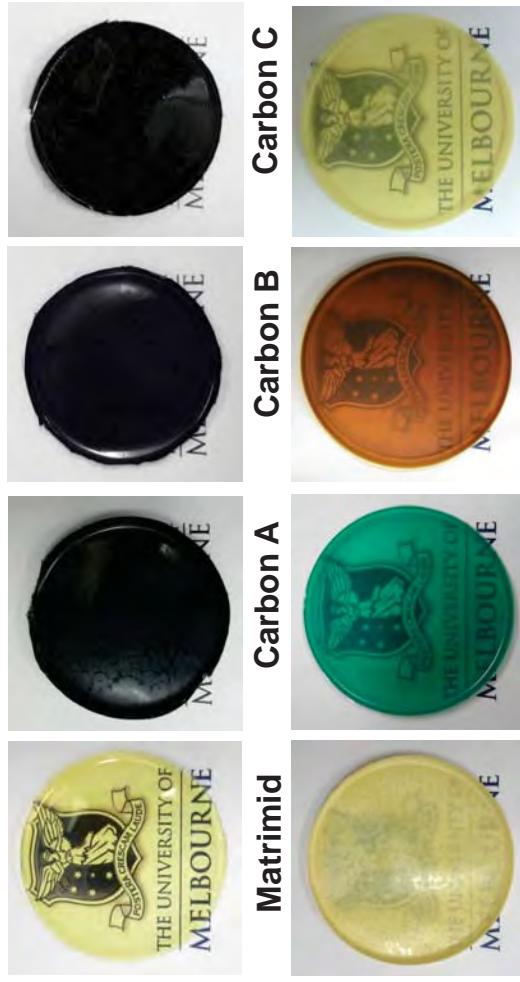
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## MIXED MATRIX MEMBRANES



### Mixed Matrix Membranes



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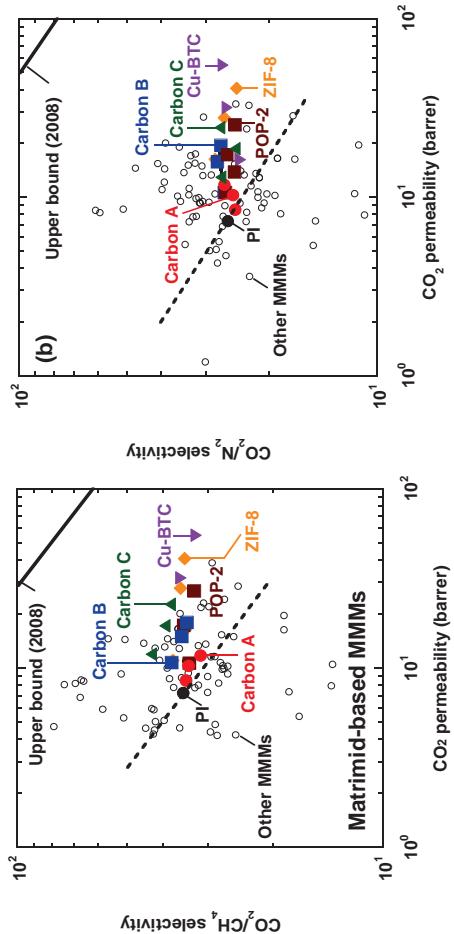
ZIF-8

Cu-BTC

PCN-2

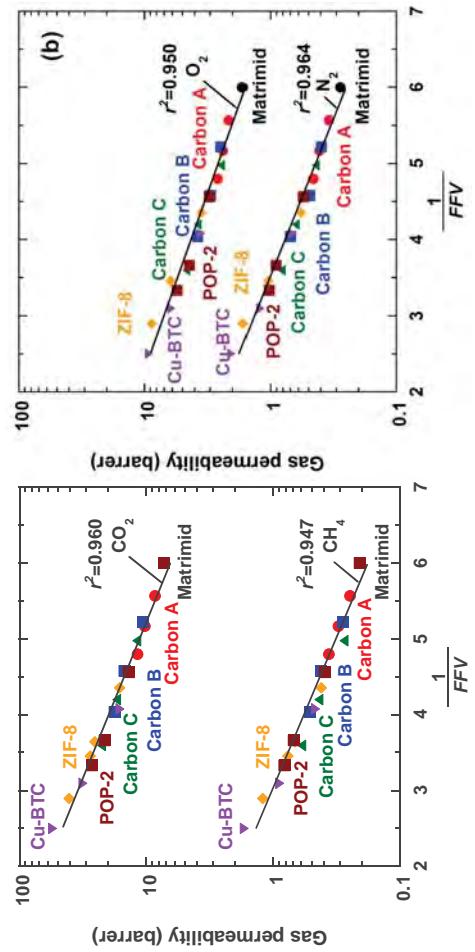
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## Mixed Matrix Membranes



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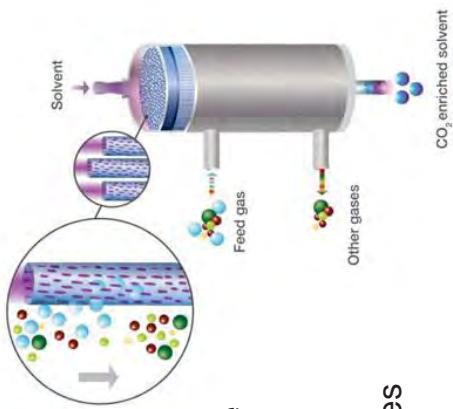
## MEMBRANE GAS ABSORPTION



$$Total FFV = FFV_{polymer}(\phi_{polymer}) + FFV_{filler}(\phi_{filler})$$

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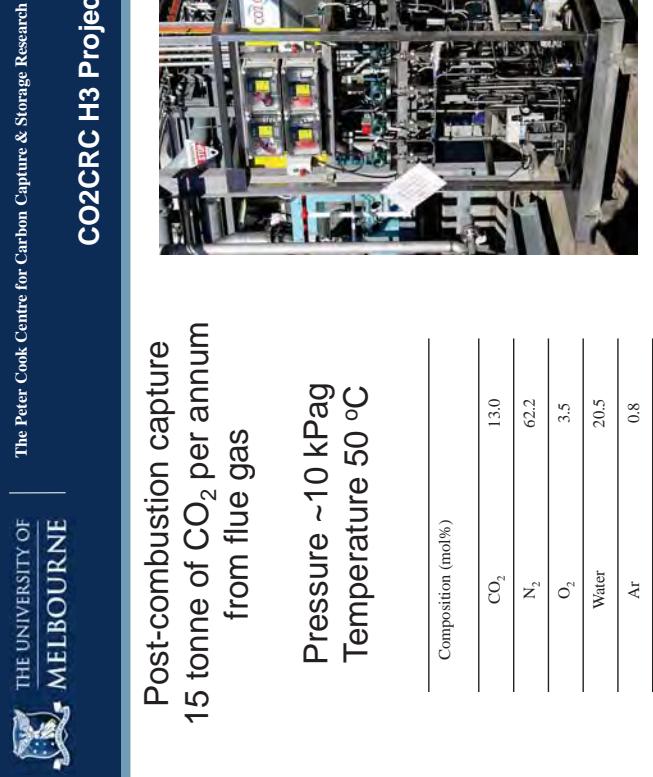
## Gas-solvent Membrane Contactors



Take advantage of both membrane and solvent technology

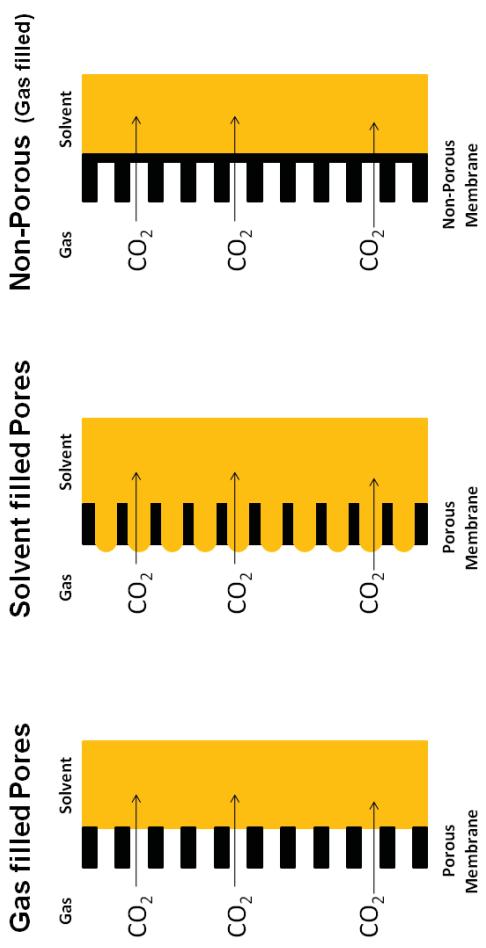
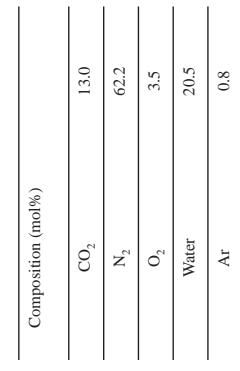
Solvent – high selectivity for CO<sub>2</sub>

Membrane – controlled flow regimes

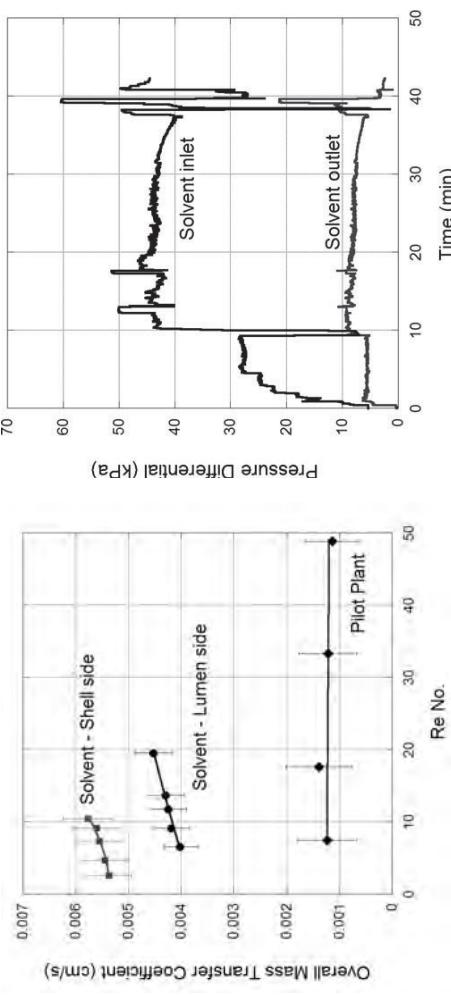


Post-combustion capture  
15 tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> per annum  
from flue gas

Pressure ~10 kPag  
Temperature 50 °C

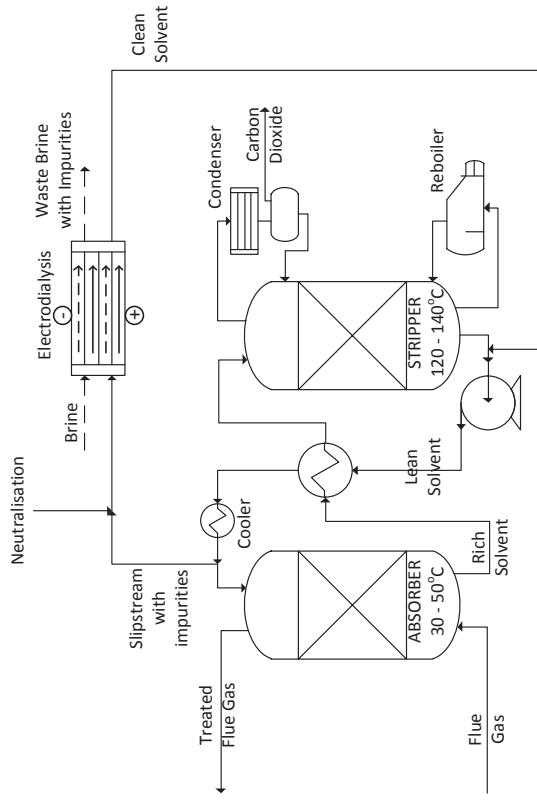


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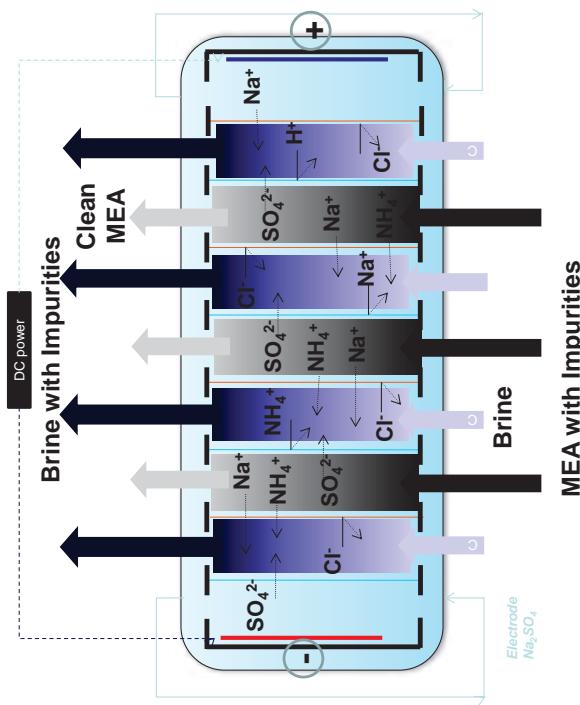


## ELECTRODIALYSIS

## Solvent Remediation

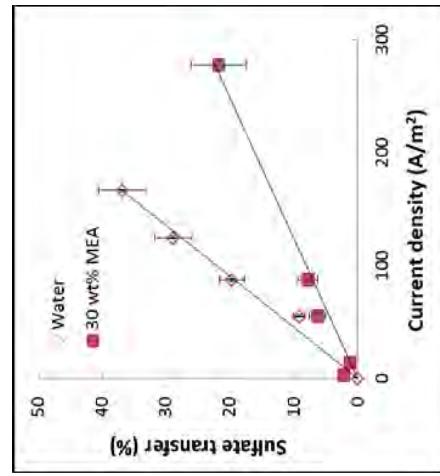
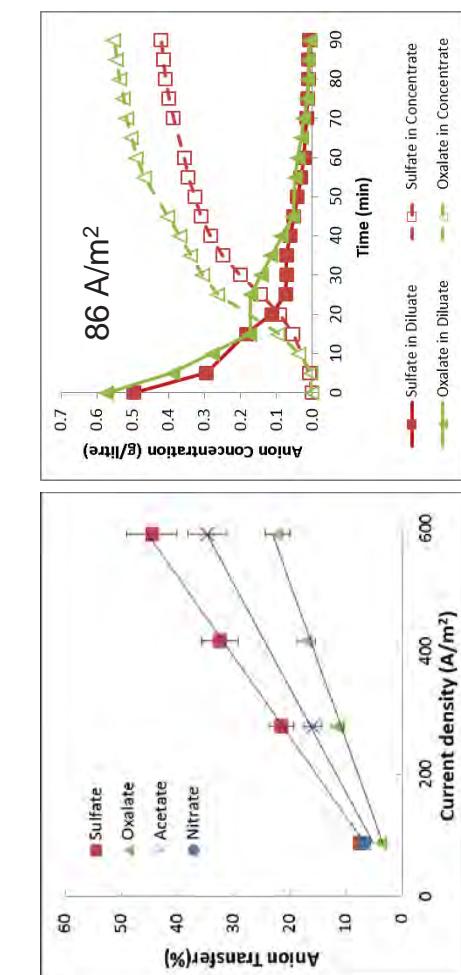


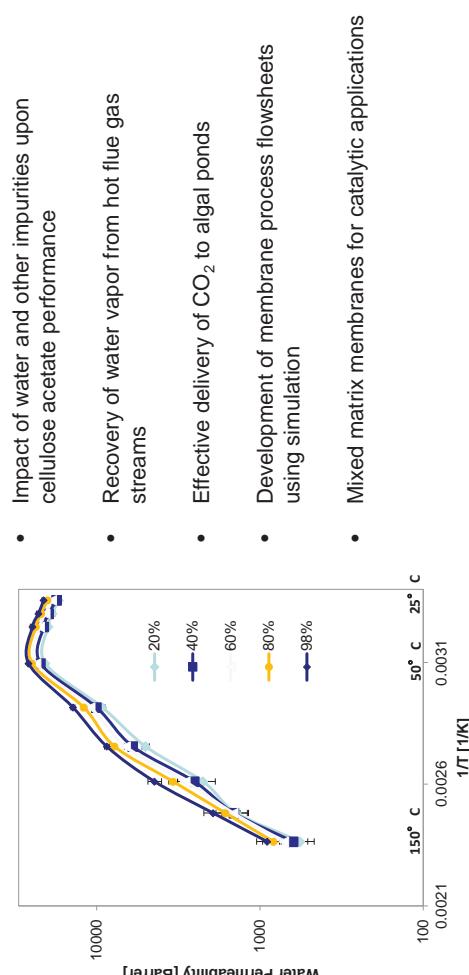
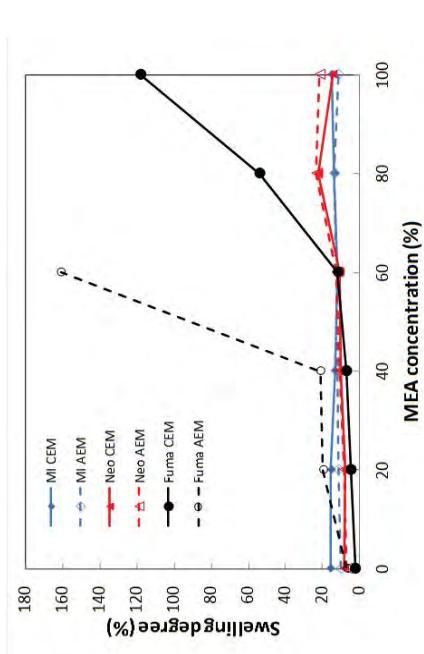
## Electrodialysis Removes Charged Impurities



MEA with Impurities

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**Stronger acids Transfer better when Current Density is High**





## Presentation Outline

- Adaptive Porous Materials Team
- Porous Frameworks
- CSIRO's Approach
- Conclusion



## Control of Physical Aging in Super Glassy Polymer Membranes Without Permeability Loss

### MOF Mixed Matrix Membranes

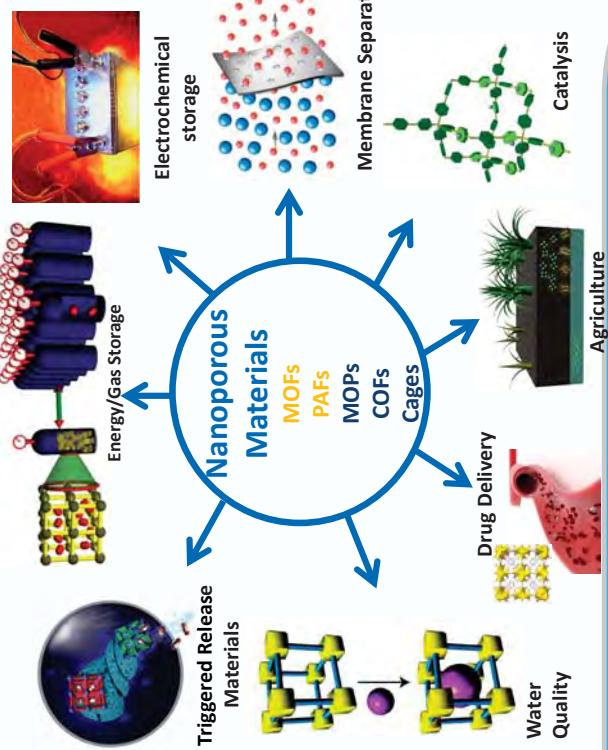
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MANUFACTURING FLAGSHIP / ADAPTIVE POROUS MATERIALS TEAM

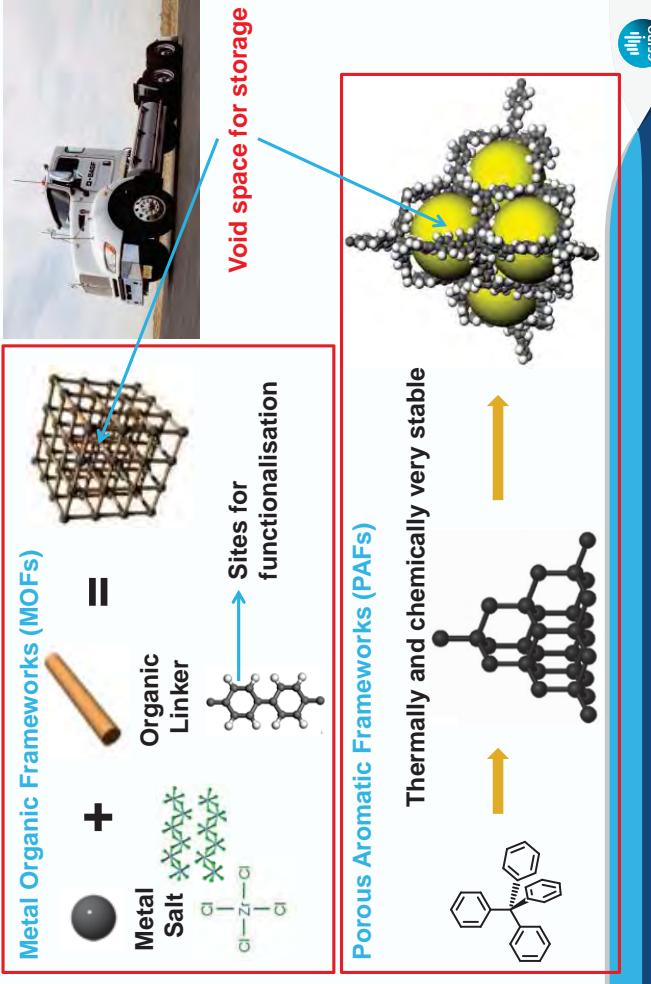
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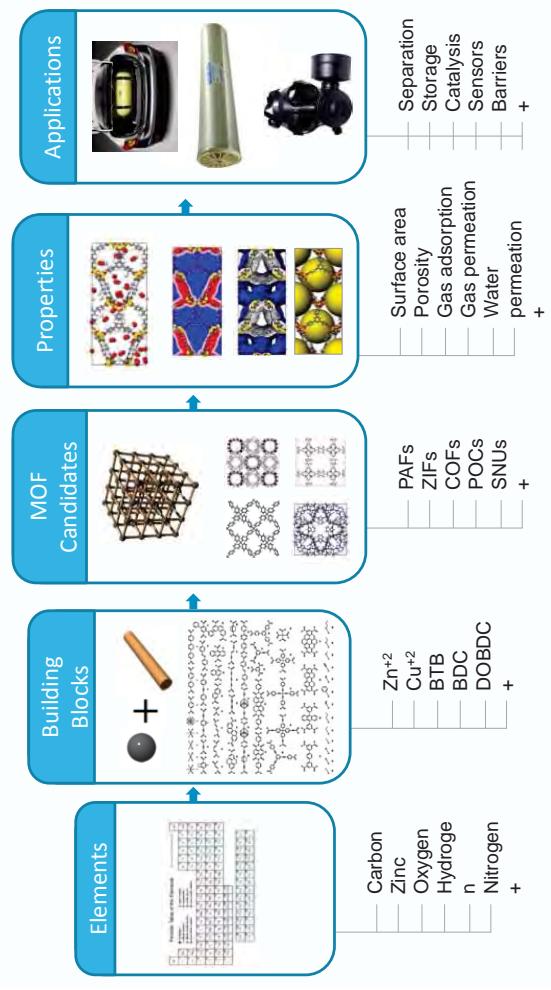
## Adaptive Porous Materials Team in CSIRO



## Porous Frameworks

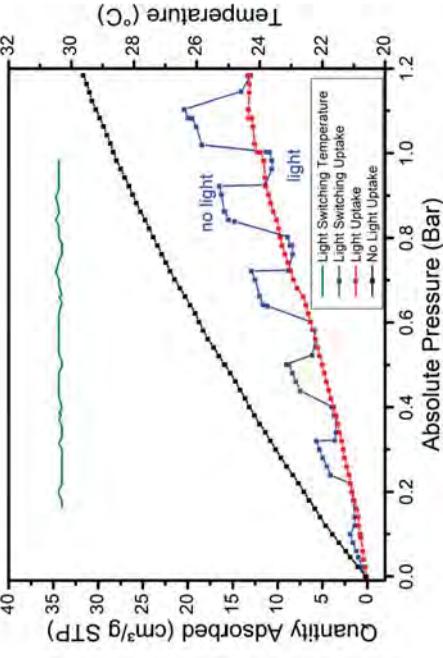


## Virtual screening of MOF candidates



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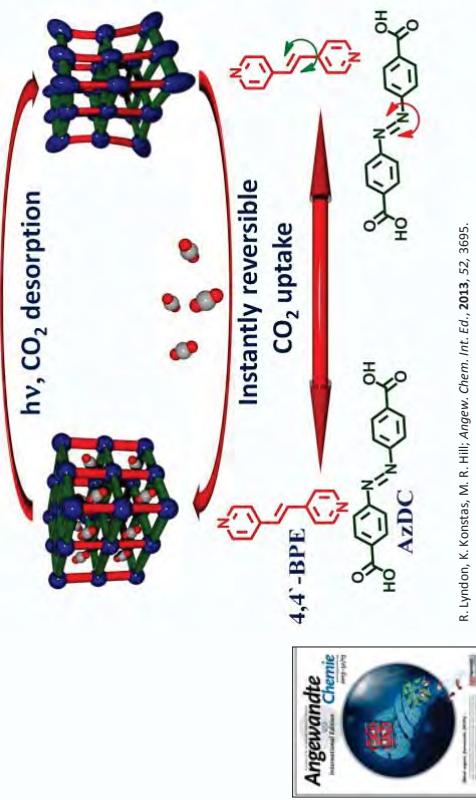
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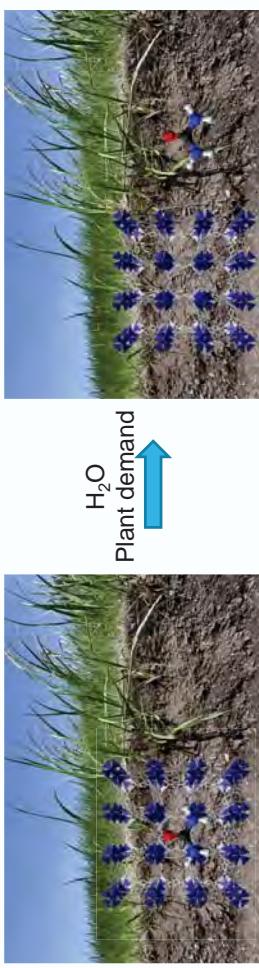
UV-triggered release of  $CO_2$



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## Intelligent Fertilizers

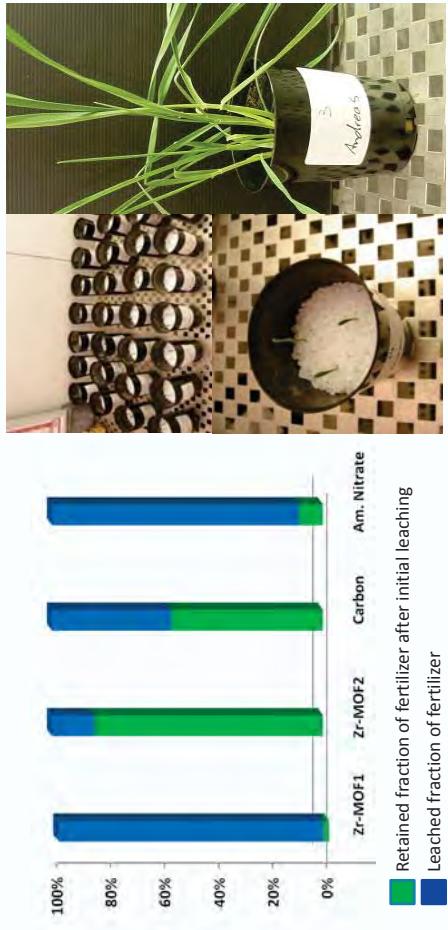


- Requirements:**
- High pore volume
  - Water stable
  - Low cost
  - Eco-friendly

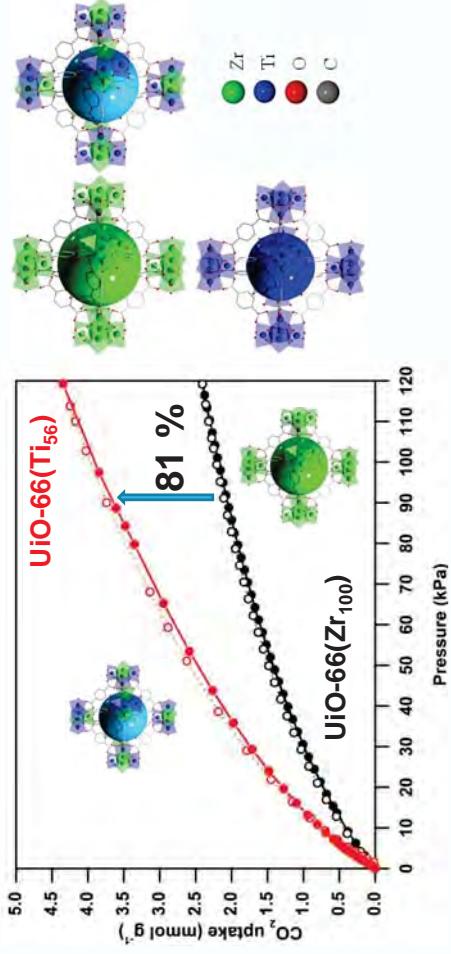
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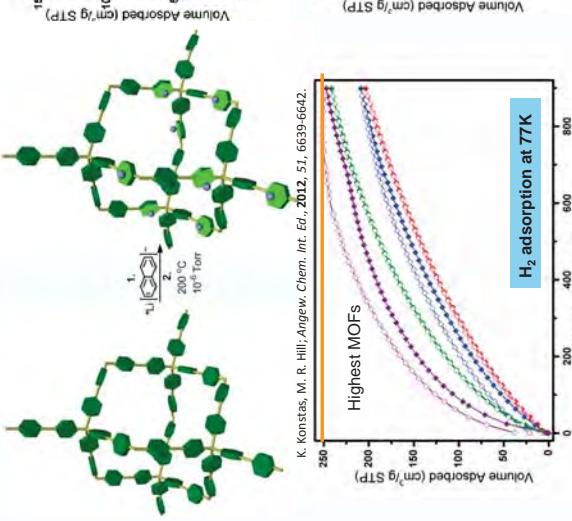
## Intelligent Fertilizers



## Carbon Capture



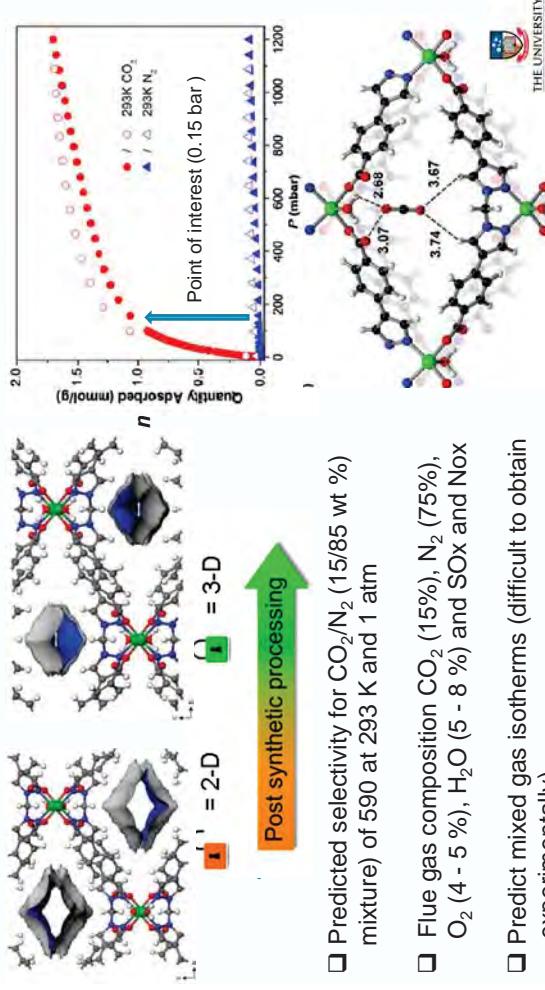
## Energy & Gas Storage



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## Porous Frameworks

As adsorbents for CO<sub>2</sub> capture



MOF CO<sub>2</sub> Capacity <sup>b</sup>  
146 tonne MOF = **\$2.9 billion** (based on  
BASF prices)

MOF Mixed Matrix Membrane

a, b

0.17 million m<sup>2</sup> – 2.46 million m<sup>2</sup>

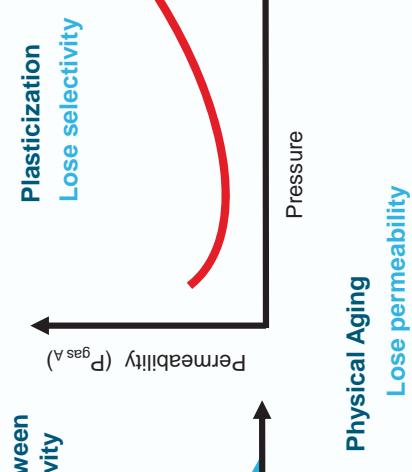
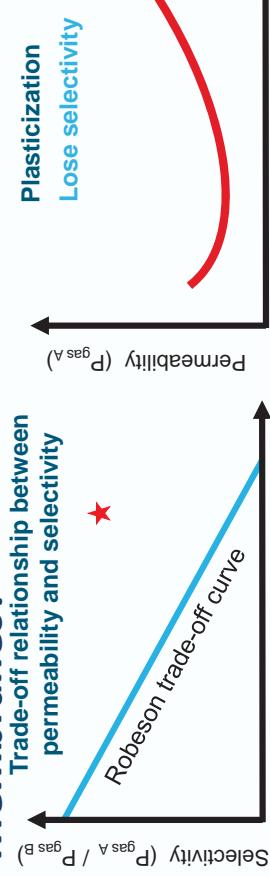
0.15 - 2.1 tonne MOF

600 MW coal-fired power plant  
Flue gas 13 % CO<sub>2</sub> (460 tonnes/hr)<sup>a</sup>

- a) T. C. Merkert\*, H. Lin, X. Wei, R. Baker; *J. Membr. Sci.*, 359 (2010) 126–139  
b) J. Liu, P. K. Thallapally, B. P. McGrail, D. R. Brown, J. Liu; *Chem. Soc. Rev.*, 2012,41, 2308–2322  
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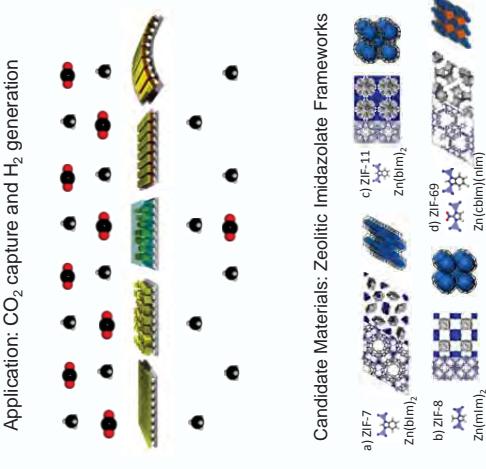
## What we aim to achieve with CSIRO's MOF Membranes?



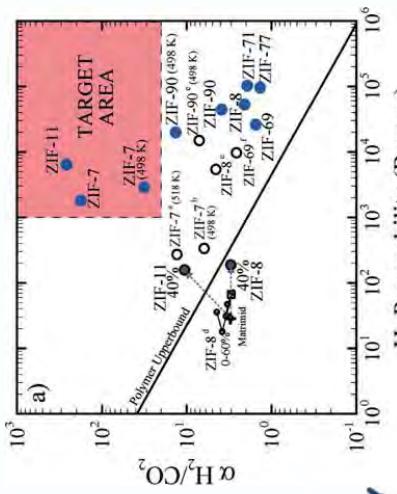
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## Example: Screening for membrane materials

Application: CO<sub>2</sub> capture and H<sub>2</sub> generation



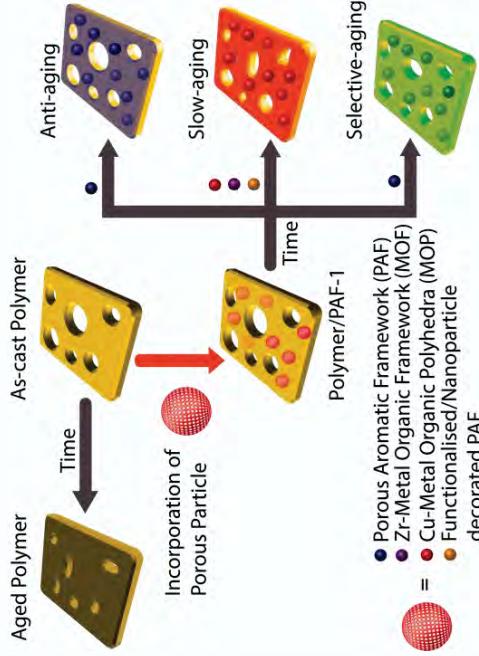
Industrial Feasibility Criteria  
Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)



Thornton et al. "Feasibility of Zeolitic Imidazolate Framework membranes for clean energy applications" Energy & Environmental Science 2012

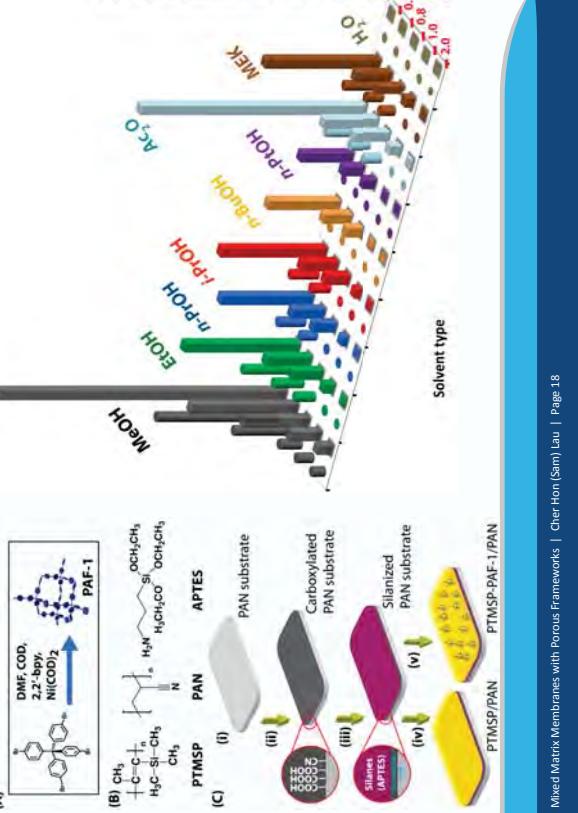
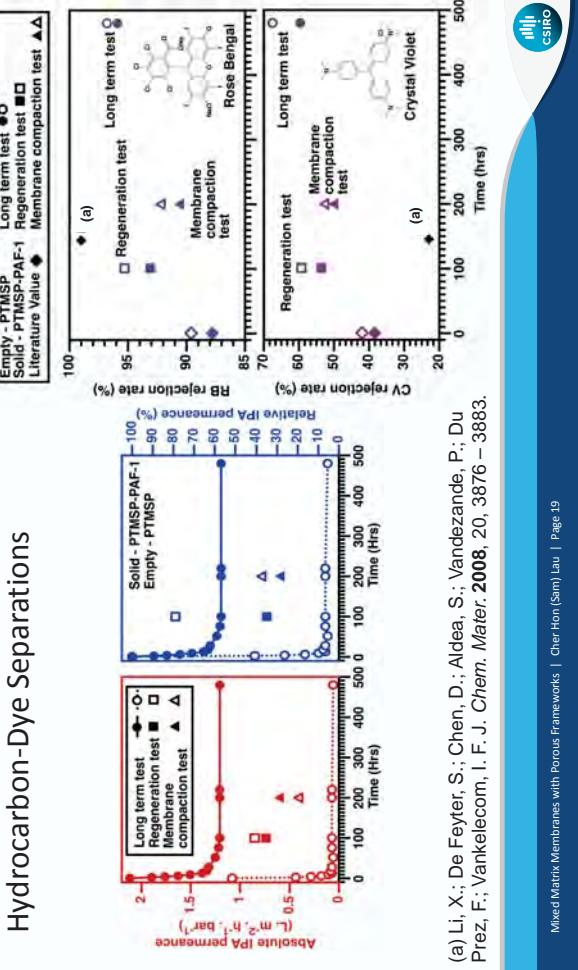
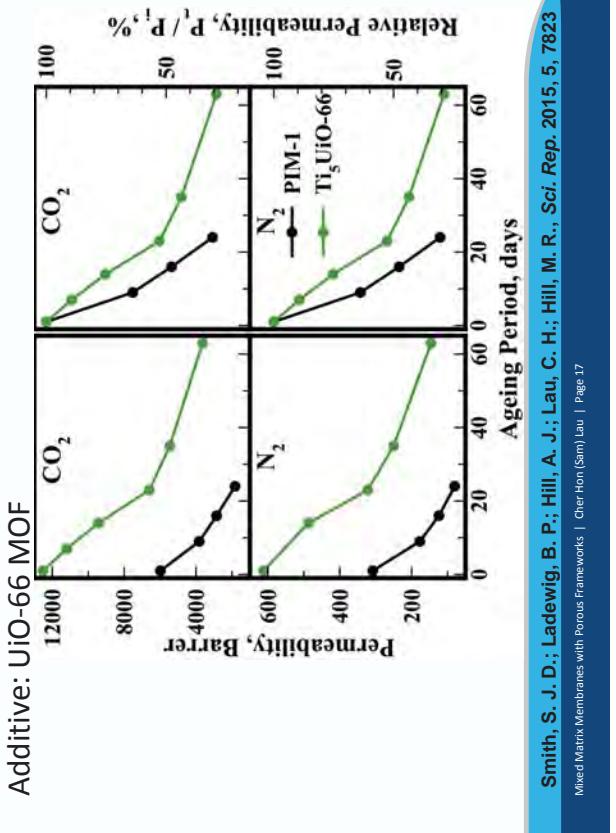
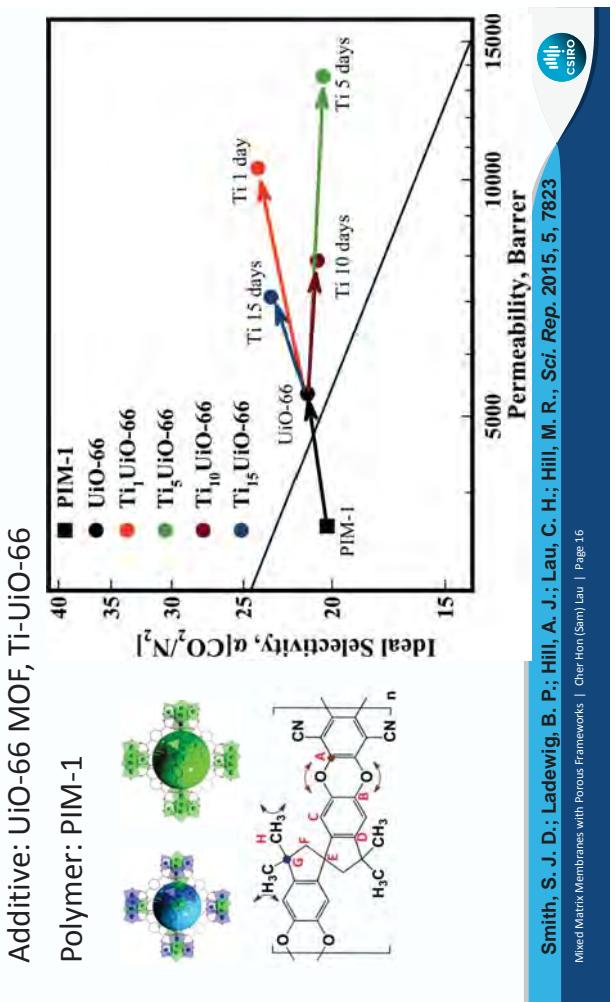
## CSIRO's Approach

### Mixed Matrix Membranes with Porous Frameworks



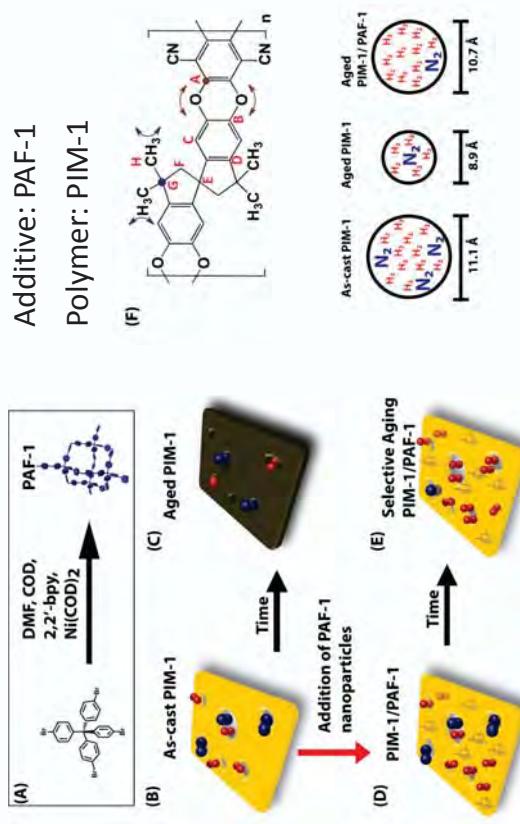
## CSIRO's Membranes

### Slow Aging Membranes – Carbon Capture



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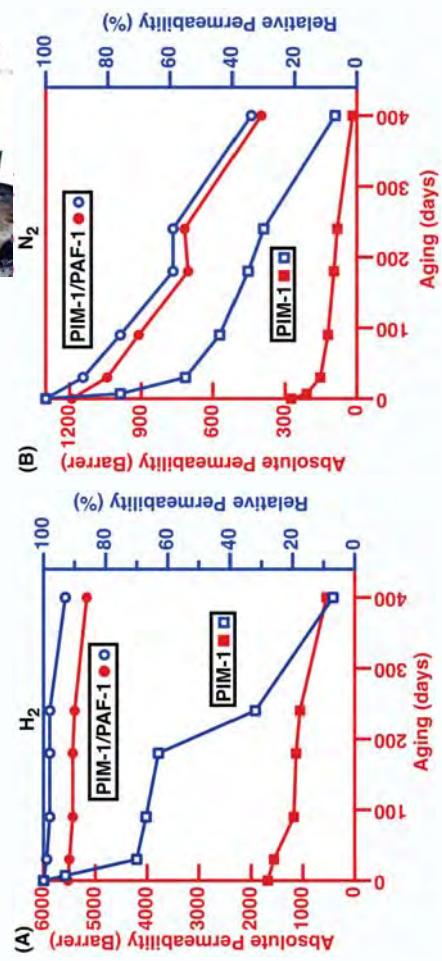
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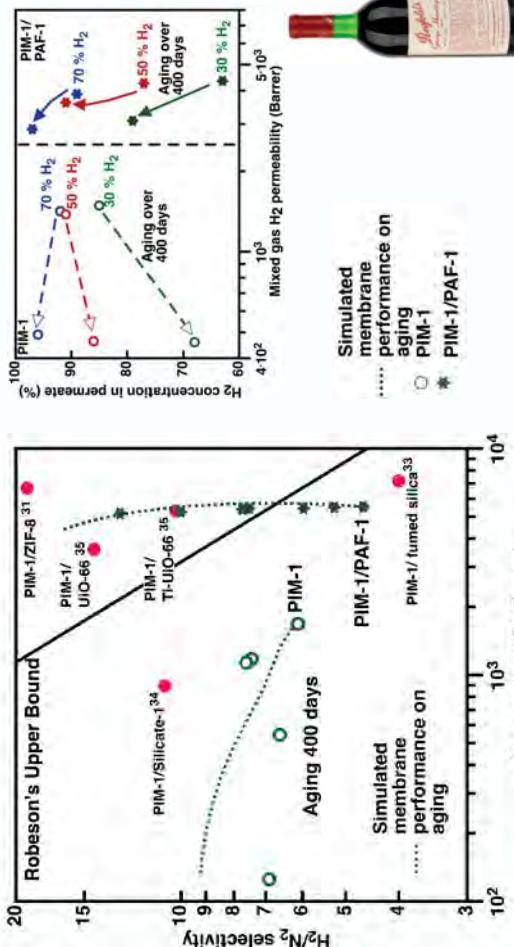
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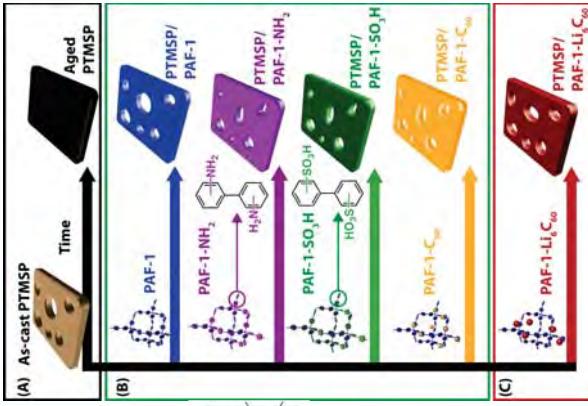
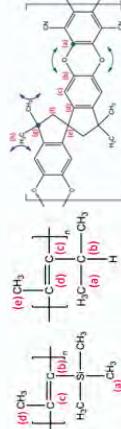


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Anti-Aging Membranes – Carbon Capture

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Additive: PAF-1

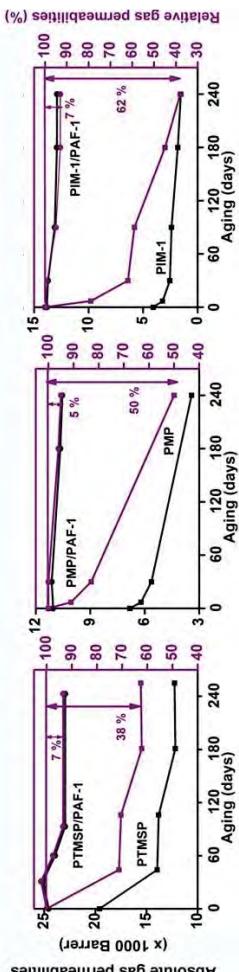


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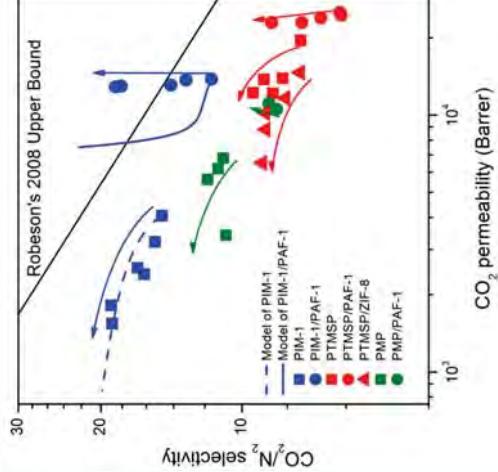
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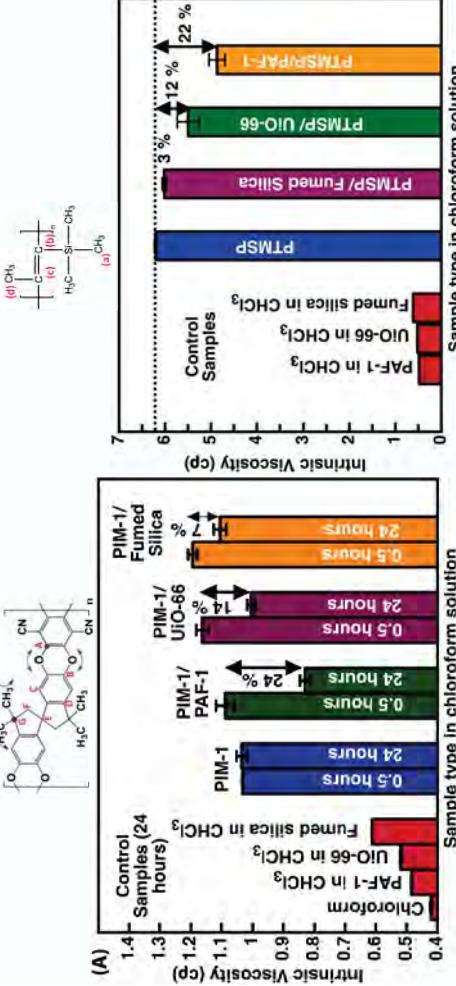


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# CSIRO's Membranes

## How does it work?

1. Intimate interaction between porous additives and polymers

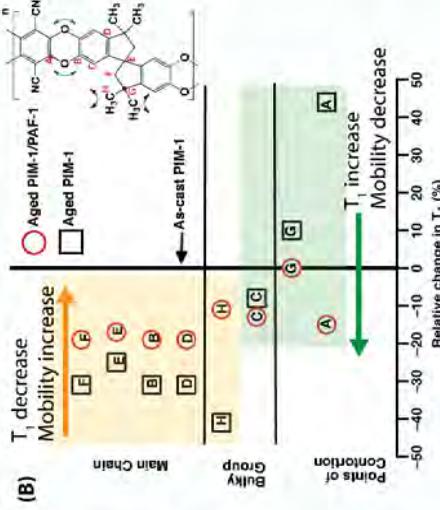


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## How does it work?

2. Freezing mobility in carbon atoms of bulky groups in polymer

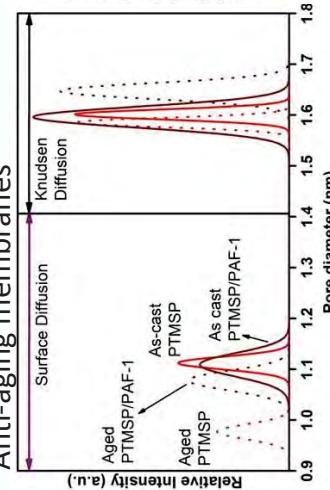


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## How does it work?

### 3. Unchanged pore sizes over time



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# Scale-Up Production Membranes & MOFs

## Membranes



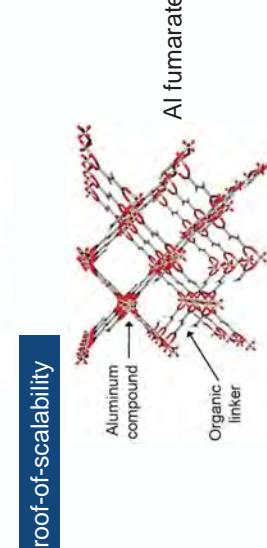
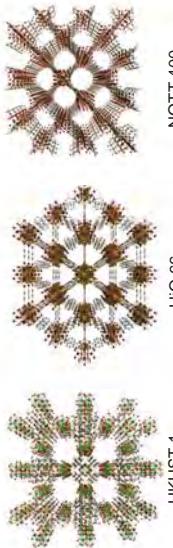
## Flow Chemistry



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# Scale Up Production MOFs

## Proof-of-concept



# Scale-Up Production MOFs

## Proof-of-scalability

MOF	Reaction time $S_{\text{AEI}}$ ( $\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$ )	STY ( $\text{kg m}^{-3} \text{d}^{-1}$ )
HKUST-1 <sup>a</sup>	10 min	1852
HKUST-1 <sup>b</sup>	1.2 min	1805
HKUST-1 <sup>c</sup>	5 min	1673
Basile C300 <sup>d</sup>	150 min	1620
UIO-66 <sup>e</sup>	10 min	1186
UIO-66 <sup>f</sup>	24 h	1147
NOTT-400 <sup>i</sup>	1.5 min	1078
NOTT-400 <sup>j</sup>	72 h	1350

<sup>a</sup>Upscaled Flow chemistry reactor (Masscole).

<sup>b</sup>Upscaled Flow chemistry reactor (Masscole).

<sup>c</sup>Data from ref. 15.

<sup>d</sup>Data from ref. 12.

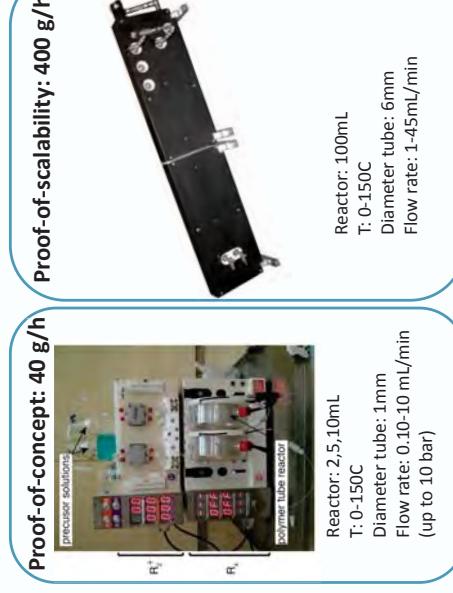
<sup>e</sup>Data from ref. 20.

<sup>f</sup>Data from ref. 21. Specific yield given in this table based on the volume of the reaction mixture in 8 hours. Calculation based on ref. 25.

<sup>g</sup>Data from ref. 16.

<sup>h</sup>Data from ref. 17.

Reactor: 2.5,10mL  
T: 0-150C  
Diameter tube: 1mm  
Flow rate: 0.10-10 mL/min  
(up to 10 bar)



Reactor: 2000mL  
T: 0-150C  
Diameter tube: 12mm  
Flow rate: 1000mL/min

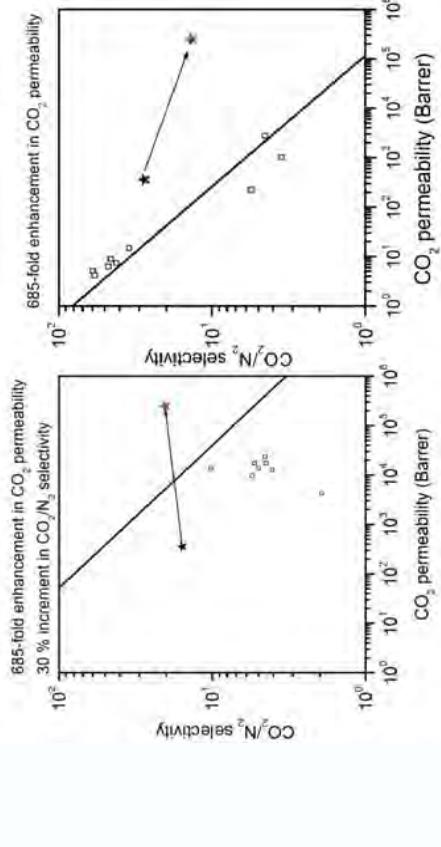
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## Conclusions

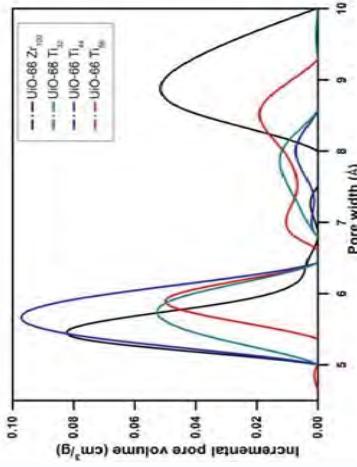
Capable of scale up productions of porous additives required to:

- 1) **Enhance** gas permeability by up to 300 %
- 2) **Maintain** enhanced gas permeability beyond 1 year
- 3) **Tailor** aging mechanism in membranes according to application
- 4) Fabricate **multi-functional** membranes for carbon capture, solvent purification, and dye sequestration.



## CSIRO's Membranes Slow Aging Membranes – Carbon Capture

Additive: UiO-66 MOF



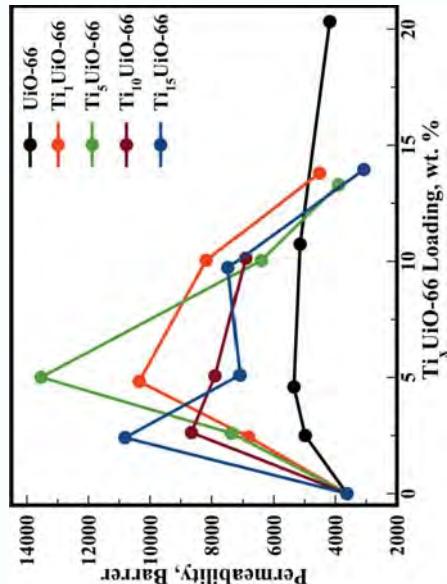
# Thank you

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# Overview

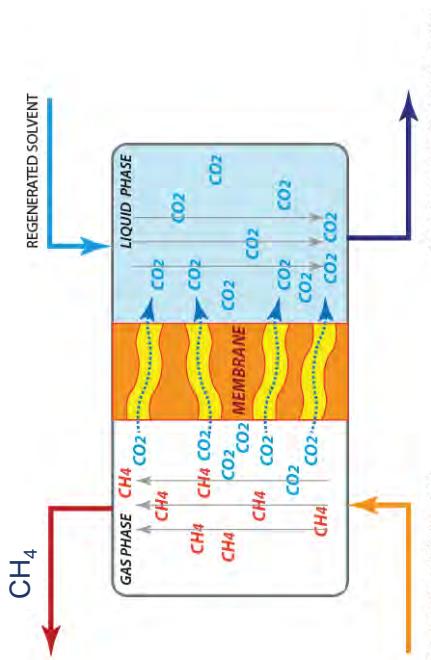
- What is membrane contactor?
- Advantages
- Mass transfer resistance
- High pressure
- Wetting
- Materials
- Long-term stability
- Actual operation window
- Counter-current
- Microporous
- Concluding remarks

## Membrane contactor for CO<sub>2</sub> capture

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## What is membrane contactor?



Basic Concept of Membrane Gas-Liquid Contactor for Natural Gas Sweetening  
(the original figure at [thegreenstation.com](http://thegreenstation.com) (Advantages of Membrane Gas Absorption Method) posted by Asela De Silva on Feb 21, 2010)

[http://www.co2crc.com.au/aboutccs/cap\\_membranes.html](http://www.co2crc.com.au/aboutccs/cap_membranes.html)



# Advantages of Membrane Contactor

- High surface area per unit contactor volume
- Independent control of gas and liquid flow rates
- Free of entrainment and flooding
- Modularity and easy scale up or down
- Process intensification

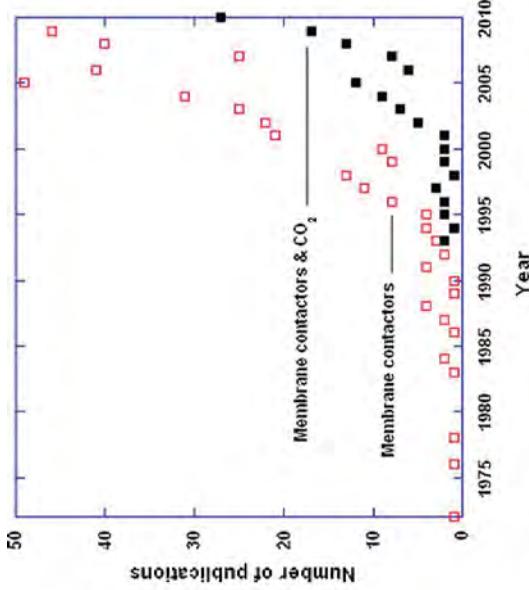
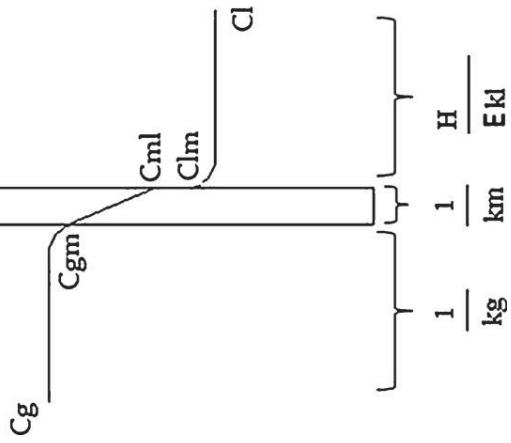


Fig. 1. Evolution of the number of publications per year in scientific journals which include the keywords "membrane contactors" (closed squares) and "membrane contactors + CO<sub>2</sub>" (open squares).  
ISI Web of Science, December 2011.

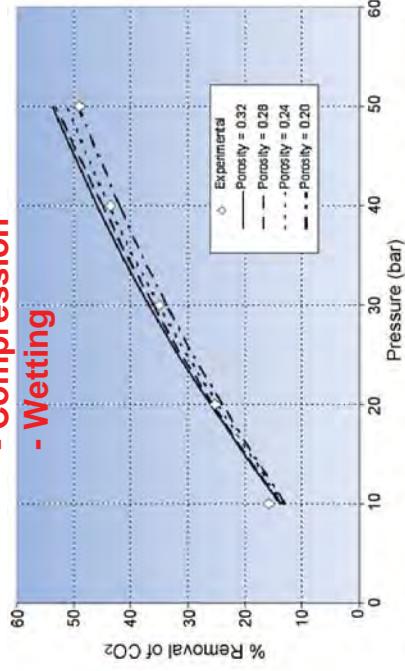
gas phase      membrane      liquid phase



Added resistance?

# High pressure?

- High pressure
- High temperature
- Swelling
- Compression
- Wetting



**Fig. 6.** Effect of porosity on the physical absorption of  $\text{CO}_2$  using pseudo-wetting (0.5%), gas flow rate = 800 ( $\text{ml min}^{-1}$ ), liquid flow rate = 100 ( $\text{ml min}^{-1}$ ), tortuosity = 3.  
Faiz et al./Journal of Membrane Science 365 (2010) 232–241

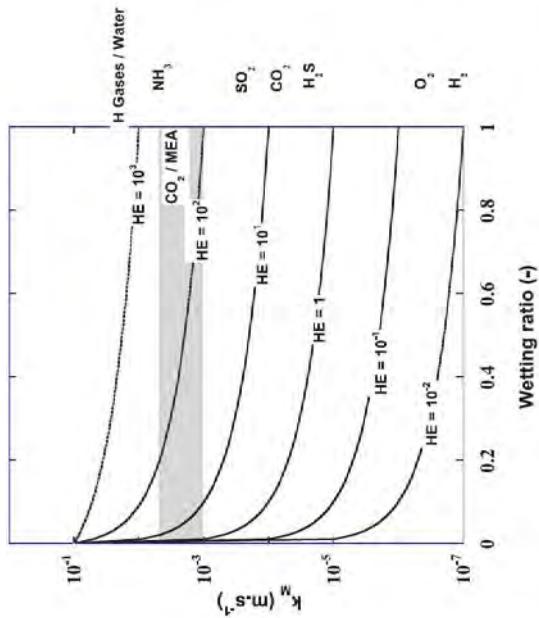
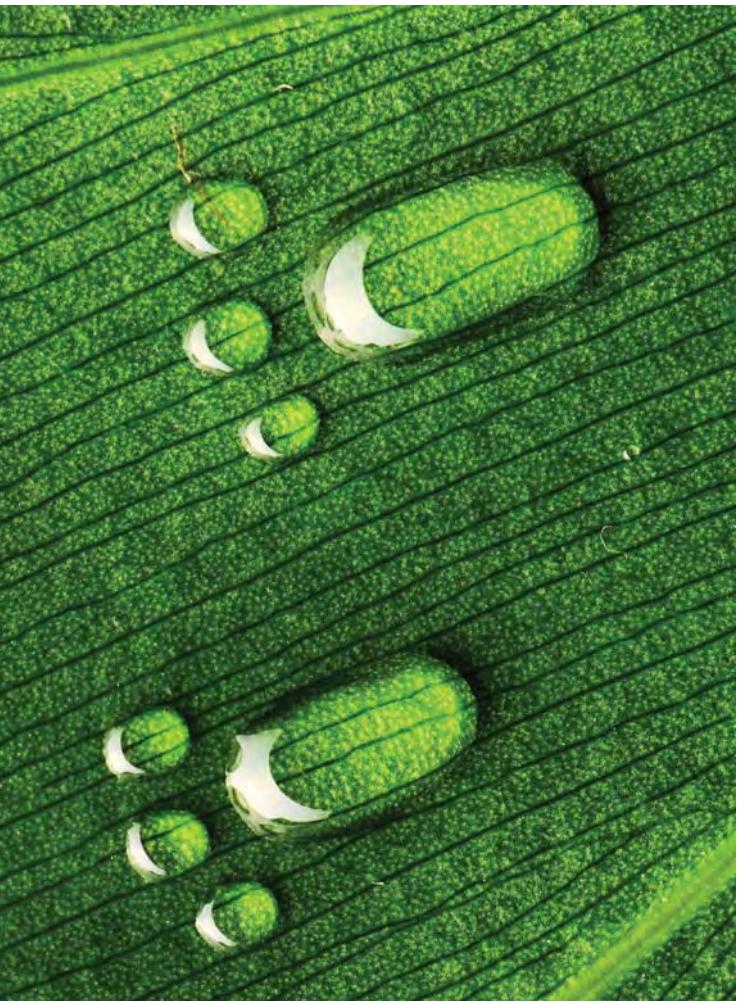
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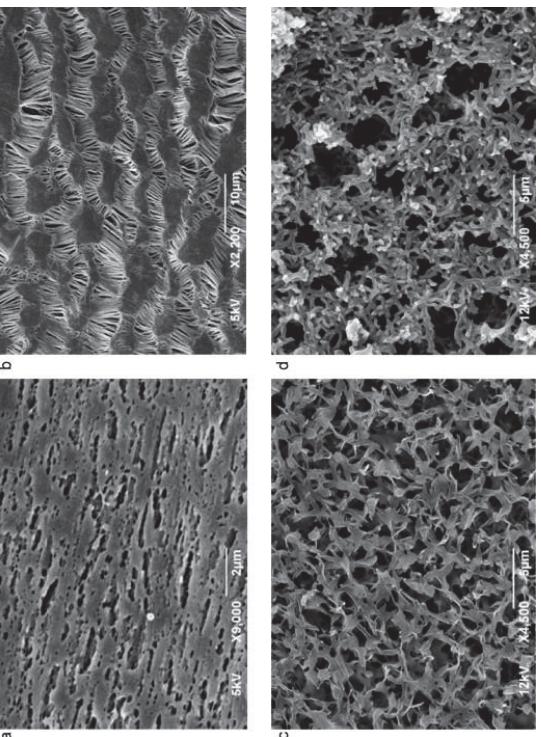
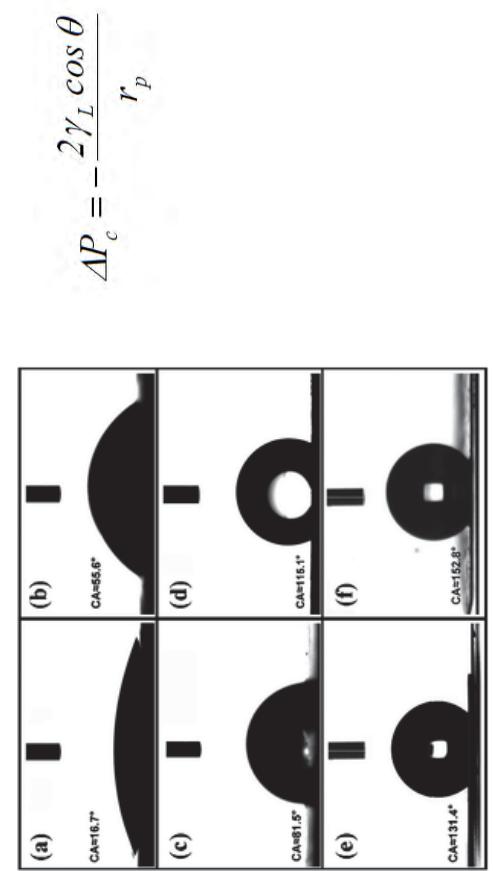


**Fig. 4.** Influence of wetting on the effective membrane mass transfer coefficient ( $k_m$ ) based on resistance in series approach. The diffusion coefficients in the gas and liquid phases are assumed to be  $10^{-5}$  and  $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ , respectively. The different curves correspond to different values of  $H_E$ , where  $H$  is the gas-liquid Henry coefficient and  $E$  the enhancement factor. For  $\text{CO}_2$  absorption in MEA,  $H_E$  usually ranges between 100 and 300.  
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Porous structures for membrane contactor applications showing the differences in pore size distribution, pore geometry and material structure.

(a) PP, (b) PTFE, (c) PVDF, (d) PES.

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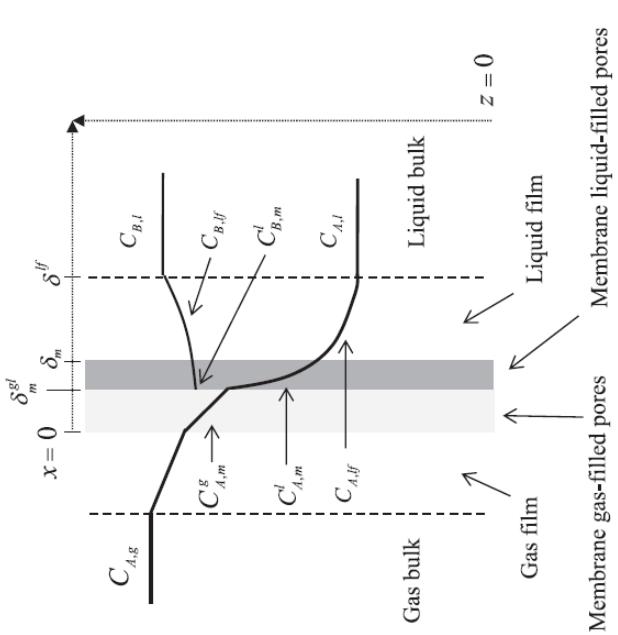
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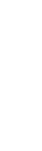


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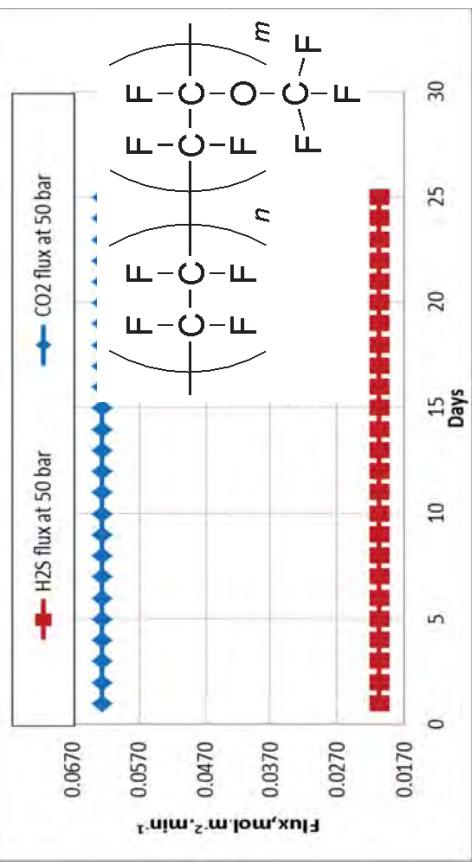
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## Long-term stability?



- i) Feed gas composition: ETHANE 6.9% m, PROPANE 3.6% m, METHANE 81.64% m, CARBON DIOXIDE 4.29% m, HYDROGEN SULFIDE 1.4% m, ISOBUTANE 0.3% m, NITROGEN 1.4% m and NBUTANE 0.56% m).
- ii) The solvent composition: 30wt% K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> + 1wt% DEA solution,
- iii) Feed gas temperature: 50 oC; Solvent temperature: 100 oC,
- vi. Feed gas pressure: 50 bar

Al-Marzouqi et al. / <https://www.icep.or.jp/international/conference/docs/1-2 UAEU.pdf>

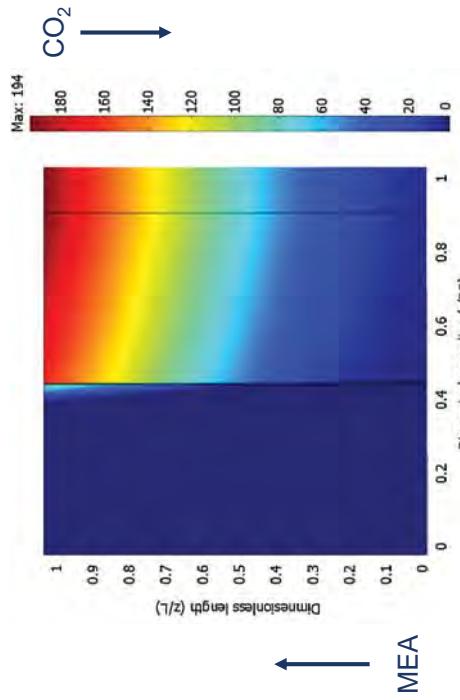
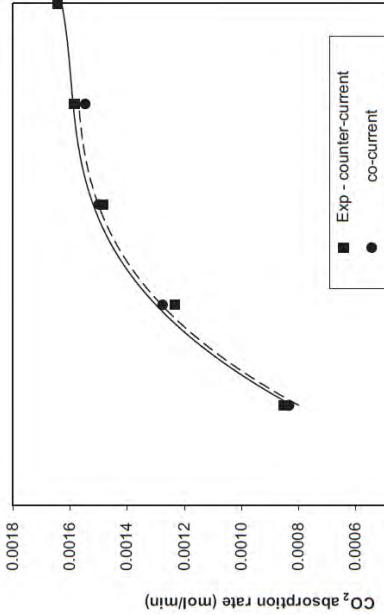


Fig. 14. Model solution and the concentration gradient of CO<sub>2</sub> (mol m<sup>-3</sup>) at 50 bar using 0.5 M MEA as the absorbent solvent while considering partial-wetting (1%).

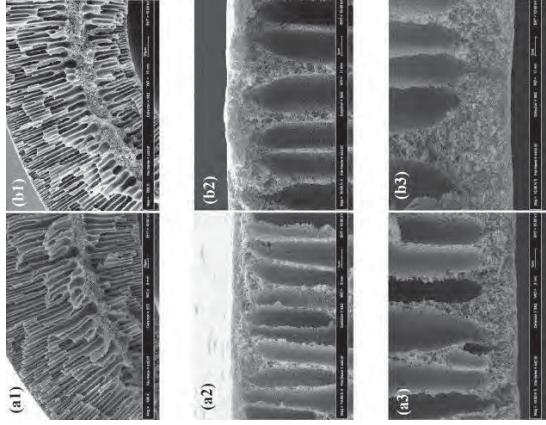
# Counter-current?



.... Small pressure difference can provide enough CO<sub>2</sub> capture rate, the little higher pressure induced by counter-current flow is less important than increasing operation flexibility in real plant....

vol% CO<sub>2</sub>

Fig. 11. Predicted versus experimental CO<sub>2</sub> absorption rate in a 3-FSMC (PTFE) – CO<sub>2</sub>/AlPD-Pz system (gas flow rate of 100 ml/min; liquid flow rate of 20 ml/min).



The structure of PVDF hollow fiber membranes for (a) plain and (b) with PEG (1) cross section, (2) shell side, and (3) lumen side.

# Concluding remarks

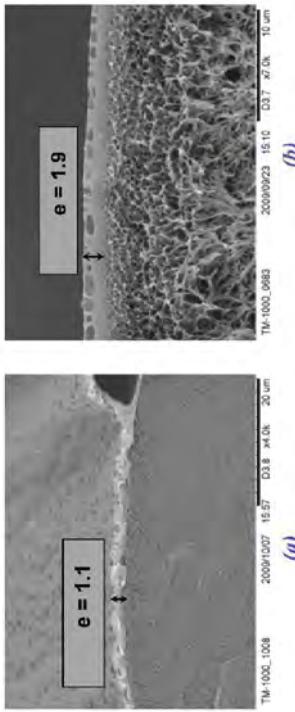


Fig. 7. SEM pictures (cross section) of the two different types of composite hollow fibers prepared and tested in this study. (a) Teflon AF 2400 average coating thickness 1.9 μm (Oxyphan-TF), (b) PTMSF average coating thickness 1.1 μm (Oxyphan-TMSF).

Mechanically stronger top layer?

## How to prevent the membrane from wetting in the long term operation?

- Hydrophobic membranes
- Surface modification of membranes (hydrophobicity, chemical resistance)

## How to increase operation flexibility?

- How to increase allowable transmembrane pressure (liquid & gas break-through pressure)?
- Reducing operation cost
- Reducing installation cost
- Reducing expected process complexity (subtle control of transmembrane pressure over hundreds of large modules, ready for break-through of liquid and gas)

*Thank you!*



## HiPerCap Project: Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Technologies

### Melbourne Workshop

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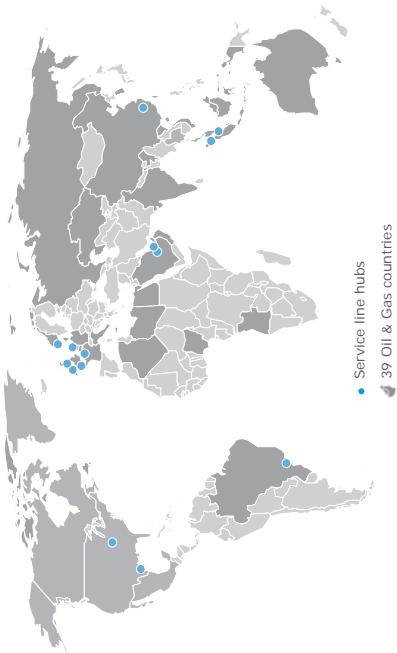
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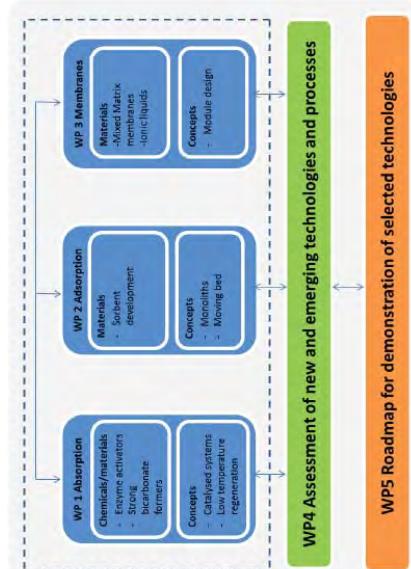
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## HiPerCap Objectives

1. To develop high-potential novel and environmentally benign technologies and processes for post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture leading to real breakthroughs.
2. To achieve 25% reduction in efficiency penalty compared to a demonstrated state-of-the-art capture process
3. Deliver proof of concept for technologies
4. Develop a fair methodology for comparing capture technologies
5. Develop technology roadmaps for the two most promising technologies

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## Assessment Methodology

- Ultimately the impact of CCS on the COST of the product produced will be how future CCS investment decisions are made

### The Final Assessment

#### Avoid Cost Estimates at Earliest Stages of Development

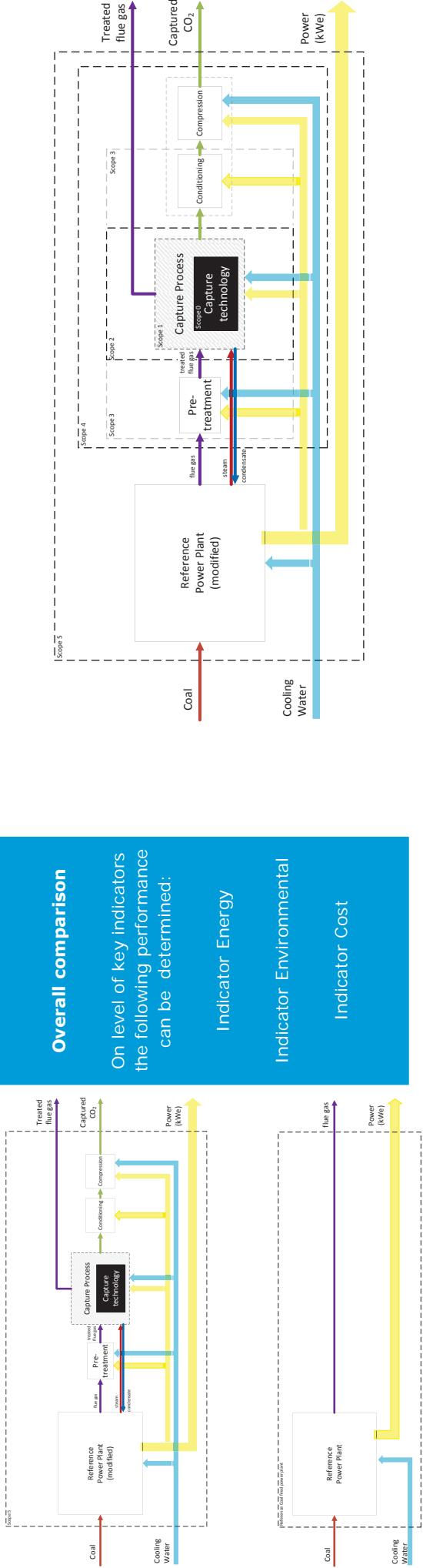


### Overall comparison

On level of key indicators the following performance can be determined:

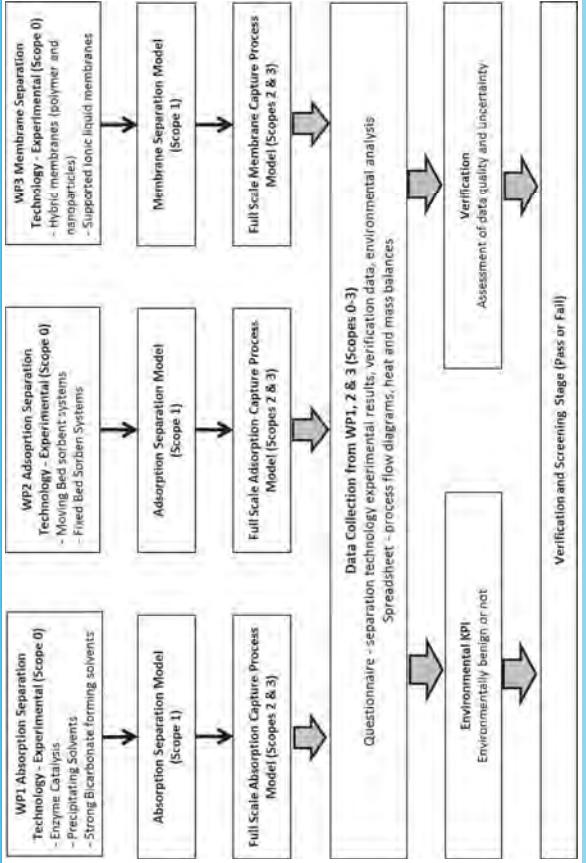
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Indicator Energy  
Indicator Cost



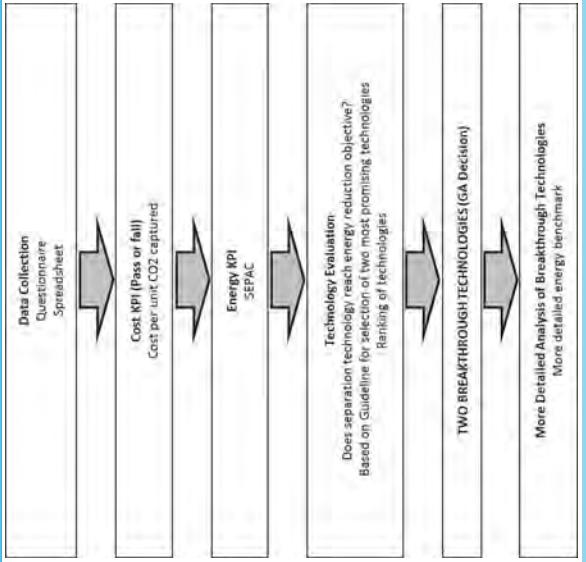
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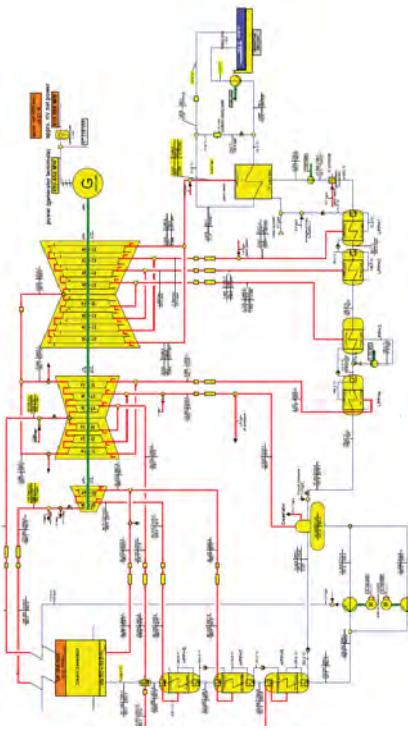
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## Reference Coal fired Power Plant

### Reference Coal Fired Power Plant and State of the Art Capture

- Updated EBTF Case
- 820MW Advanced supercritical (ASC) pulverised coal (approx. 600 °C/280 bar)



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## State of the Art Capture Technology

### Criteria

- Technology needs to be installed on coal power plant
- Full set of data and details need to be publicly available
- The largest available reference should be used
- CESAR 1 case

## Environmental

- Objective: To show that given the best available information, the capture technology is environmentally benign.
- Pass or Fail assessment
- Traffic Light Assessment for each polluting component:



- Air Pollution and Other Emissions
  - Eg. SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM, metals, acid and organic chemicals
- Water
  - Eg. Water consumed and produced, nutrients and organic pollutants in water
- Materials of construction and consumed by process
  - Eg. Metals for construction, sorbent materials, minerals, membranes, solvents
- Wastes
  - Eg. Soild and liquid waste such as reclainer waste

## Energy KPI

- Objective:
  - Show that capture processes have reached goal of a reduction in energy penalty by 25% compared to current state of the art technology.
- Boundary conditions
  - Minimal capture rate 85%
- What to benchmark
  - Impact of capture processes on the reference power plant output

# HiPerCap<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>

## Preferred energy KPI

Specific energy penalty of avoided CO<sub>2</sub> (SEPAC) [MJ<sub>e</sub>/kg CO<sub>2</sub>]

$$\bullet \text{ SEPAC} = \frac{P_{ref} - P}{\phi c_{CO_2, ref} - \phi c_{CO_2}}$$

- P = net electric output of the power plant in MW<sub>e</sub>
- $\phi c_{CO_2}$  = the emitted flow of CO<sub>2</sub> in kg CO<sub>2</sub>/s

## Cost

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# HiPerCap<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>

## Approach

- Objective: To show new technology is cost competitive with existing technologies and costs have not been sacrificed in pursuit of a reduction in energy consumption.

### Pass or Fail assessment

- Estimate CAPEX and OPEX (excluding Energy)

## Uncertainty and Data Quality

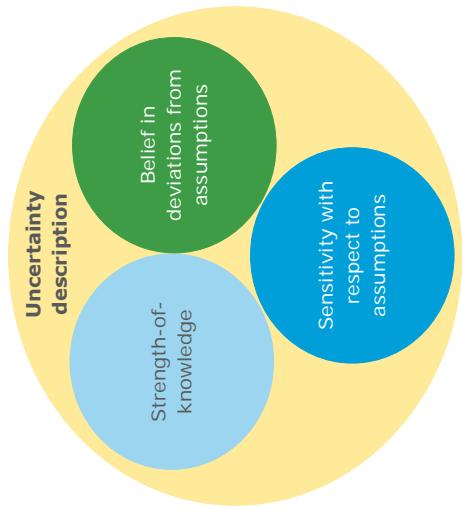
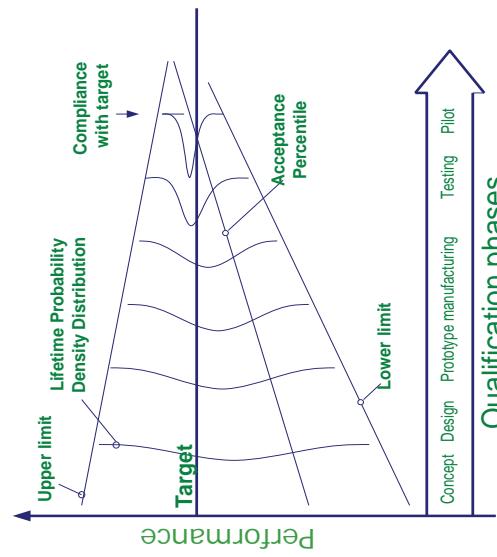
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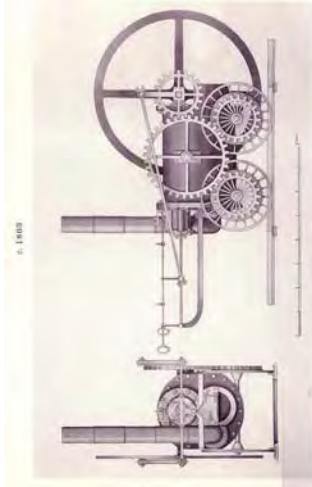
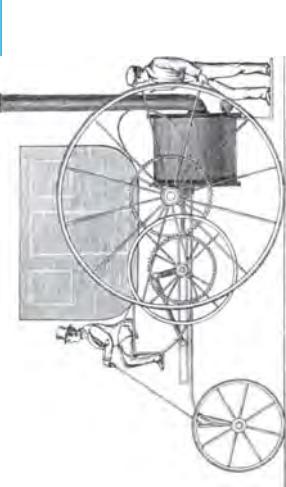
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- Two types of uncertainty:
  - Parameter Uncertainty
    - Uncertainty in experimental measurements made
  - Model Uncertainty
    - Uncertainty related to assumptions in model and physics behind the models
    - Want to understand which assumptions the model is most sensitive to
    - Aim to reduce the influence of assumptions made

### Uncertainty – A double edged sword



### Seeing the Potential of Novel Technologies



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# Comparative Overview of Costs for Capture Technologies



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## Measures of CCS economics

- Indirect
  - Energy penalty
  - CO<sub>2</sub> avoided/emission intensity
- Direct
  - Cost/Present Value (PV, \$)
  - Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> avoided/captured/injected ((\$/t CO<sub>2</sub> avoided/captured))
  - Production cost (e.g. LCOE \$/MWh, \$/ton steel etc.)
- Compare costs of alternative options.
- Differences reflect different configurations and operating alternatives.
  - Relativities just as important as absolute values.
- Rely on “technology-levelling” assumptions.
  - Process assumptions e.g. plant size, fuel type, capacity factor, reference plant.
  - Economic assumptions e.g. cost of capital, cost year, discount rate, energy/fuel costs, nominal vs. real costs, project life.
- Require appropriate technology benchmark.

## Techno-economic assessments

## The role of CCS economics

- Economics is one of the four elements of quadruple bottom line business decision making
- Decisions also need to ensure sustainable management of risk and reliability
- Technology assessments used to support decisions on technology selection, capital investments, marketing strategies, R&D priorities, and related activities.
  - Understand where and what the cost drivers are to enable development of novel and creative ways to reduce cost.



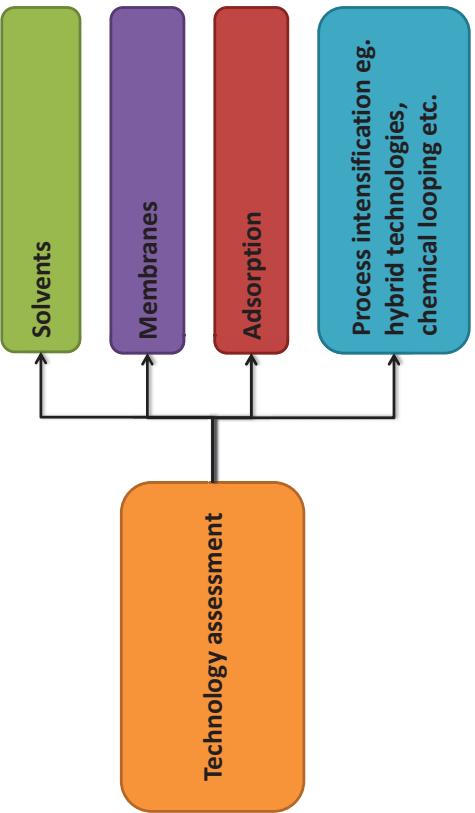
## Reducing capture costs

$$\frac{\$}{tonne CO_2 avoided} = \frac{PV_{AllCosts}}{PV_{CO_2 avoided}}$$

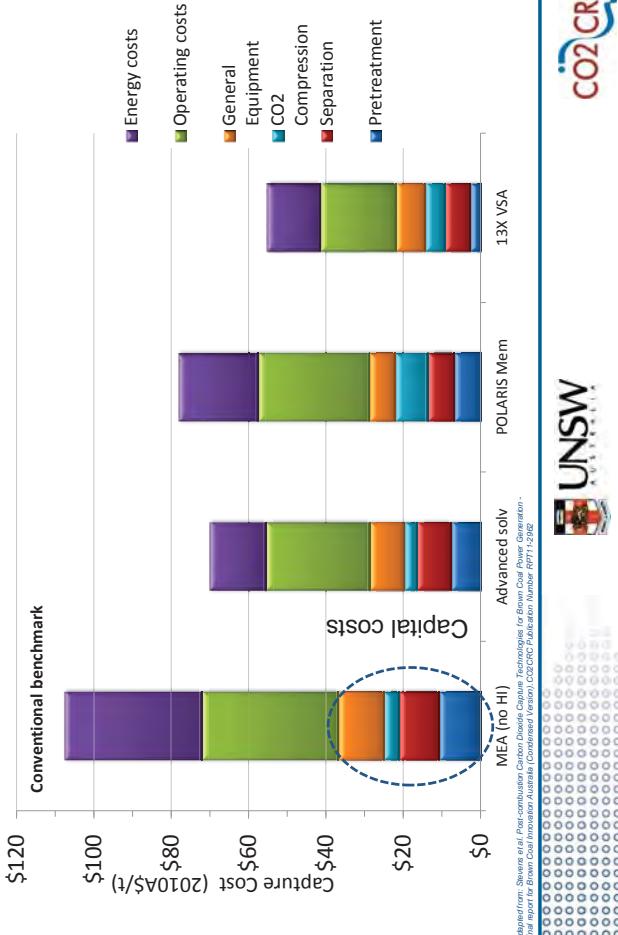
Reduce!

- **Reduce Capital costs**
  - cheaper equipment
  - more efficient (smaller) equipment
- **Reduce Operating costs**
  - more efficient equipment
  - less energy demand
- **Reduce energy penalty**
  - use improved technologies
  - heat and process integration
- **Increase CO<sub>2</sub> captured**
  - improve capture efficiency
  - improve capture rate
- **Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emitted**
  - improve process efficiency
  - change fuel
- **Increase energy efficiency**
  - heat and process integration

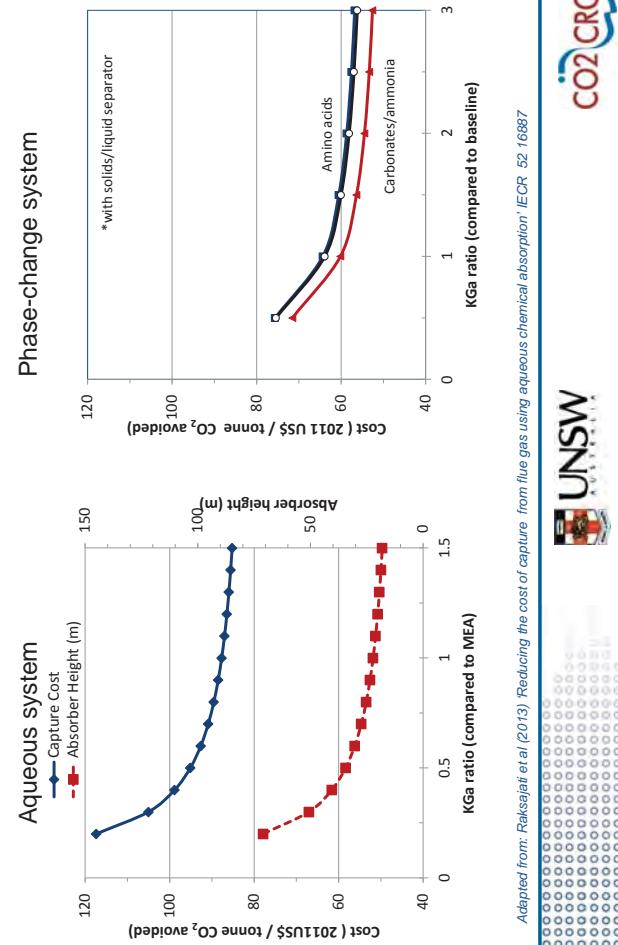
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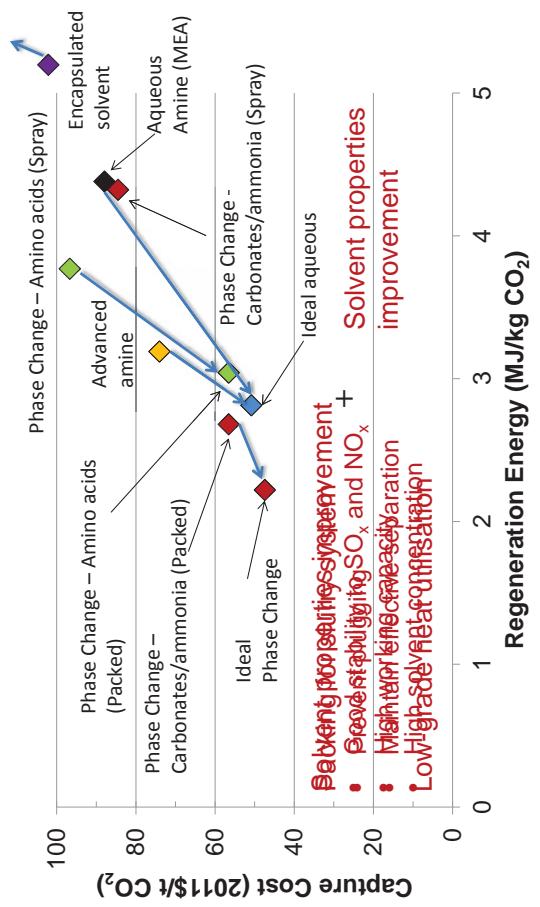
## Technology comparison (500 MW black Australian coal power plant)



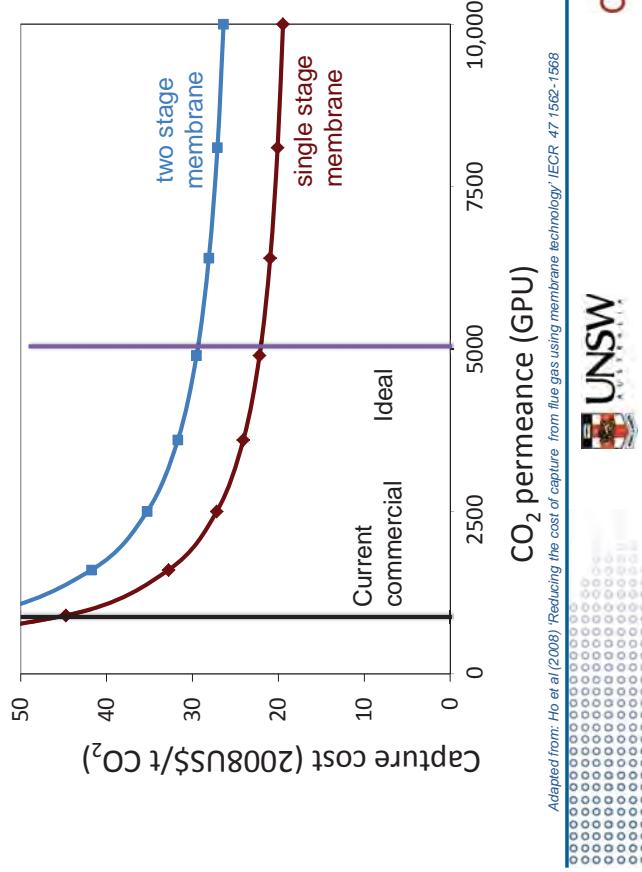
## Solvent improvement: size and capital costs



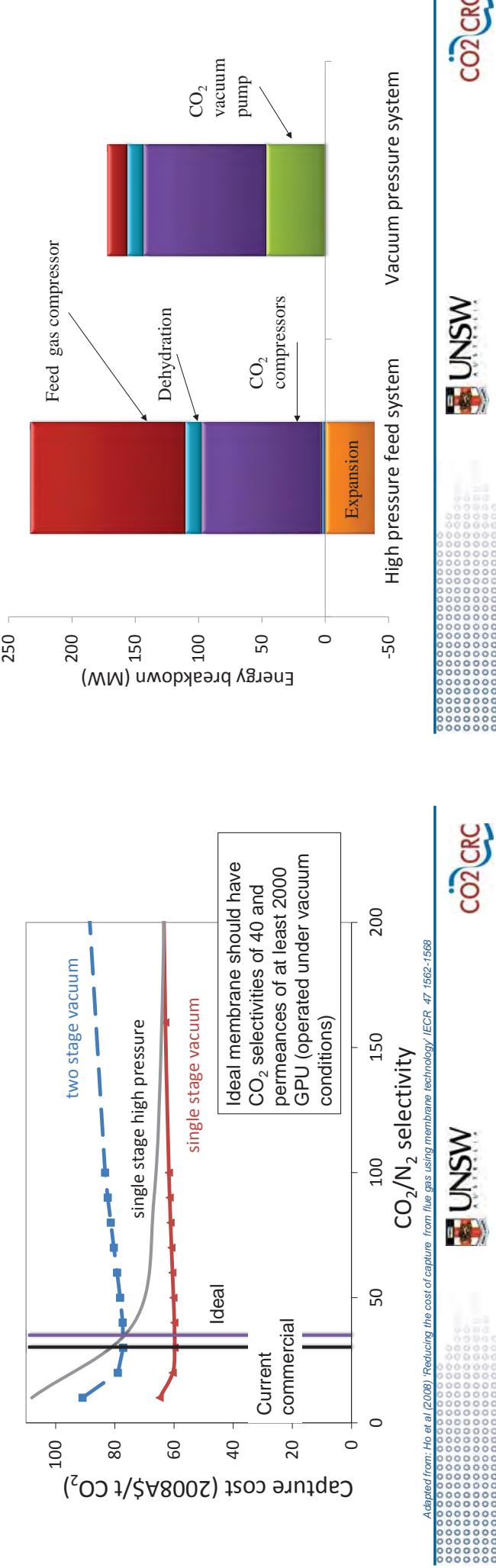
## Solvent improvement: reducing energy



## Membrane improvement: size and cost



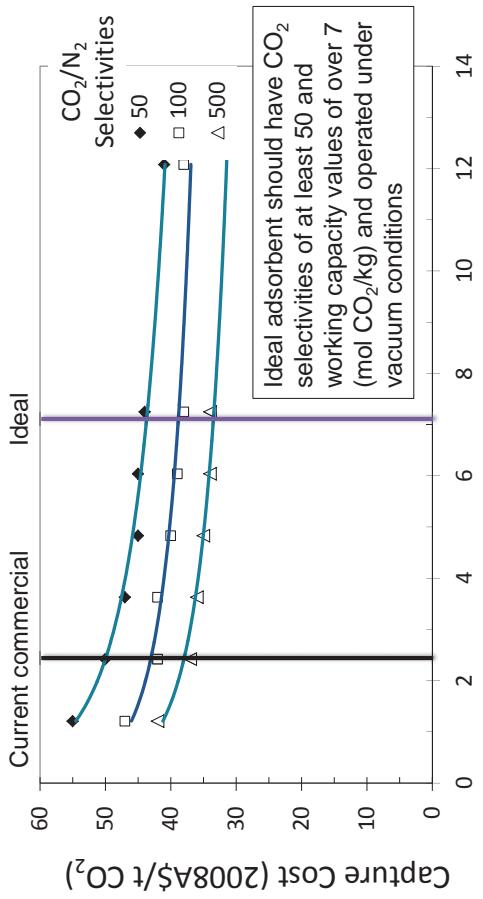
## Membrane improvement: compression energy



## Adsorption improvement: size, energy, cost

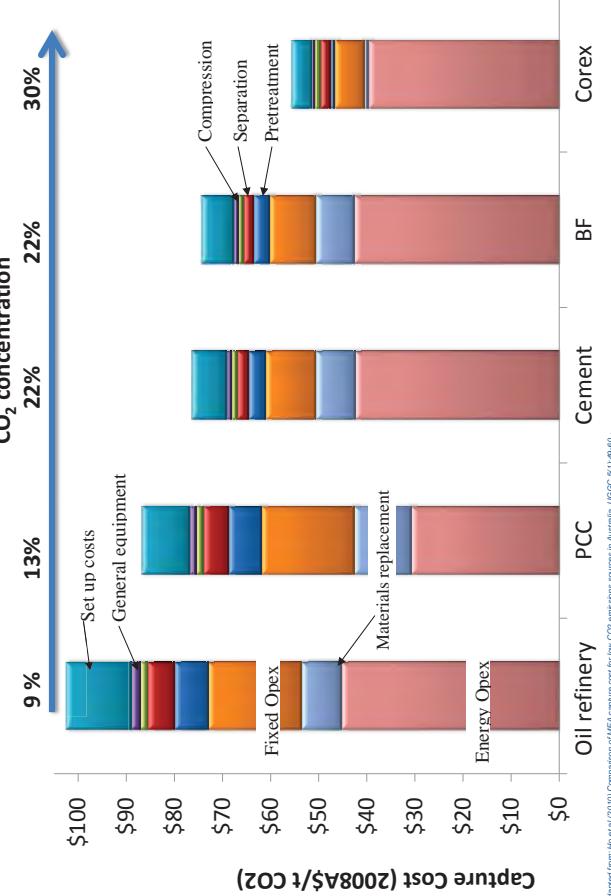
## Process intensification: Hybrid capture

- Combination of adsorption and solvent technologies, membrane and solvent, adsorption and cryogenic etc.



## Energy and costs of VSA-solvent hybrid

## Effects of emission source on costs



## Comparison of capture development options

### Other factors to consider

Parameter	Solvents	Membranes	Absorption
Capital cost			

- Tolerance to impurities ( $\text{SO}_x$ ,  $\text{NO}_x$ , water)
- Process configuration design and optimisation
- Optimising operating conditions
- Heat integration
- Load following and process flexibility

## Conclusions from comparative costing

- Technology improvement driven by reductions in:
  - Energy usage
  - Capital costs (size of equipment, level of pretreatment)
  - Operating costs (materials replacement)
- Application dependent
  - No silver bullet
  - Technology specific intensification and integration
- Relies on consistent benchmarks and assumptions



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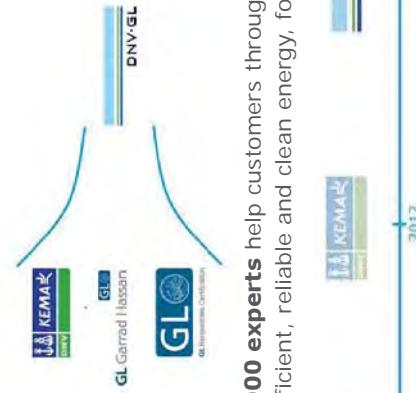
### Novel carbon capture technologies

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- Benchmarking:
  - Why?
  - How?
- Benchmarking of technologies in early stage of development
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**Definition Benchmarking (European Benchmarking code of conduct):**  
"Benchmarking is about the process of identifying and learning from best practices in other organizations"

## One of the first Benchmarks

The origin of the term **bench mark**, or **benchmark**,  
▪ Chiselled horizontal marks made by surveyors in stone structures,  
▪ Used to place an angle-iron in to form a "bench" for a levelling rod  
▪ So this levelling rod could be replaced on the exact same level

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## Goal of benchmarking

### Two types of goals

1. Metrics Benchmarking  
(to determine (relative) position in own sector)  
**Learn** were you are, compared to others
2. Activity Benchmarking (find & implement 'Best Practices')  
*According to the European Benchmarking Code of conduct "Benchmarking is about the process of identifying and learning from best practices in other organizations"*

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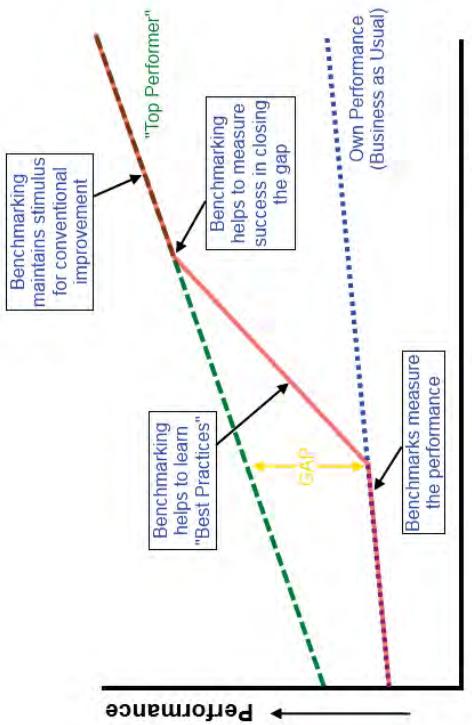


## Benchmarking is about learning

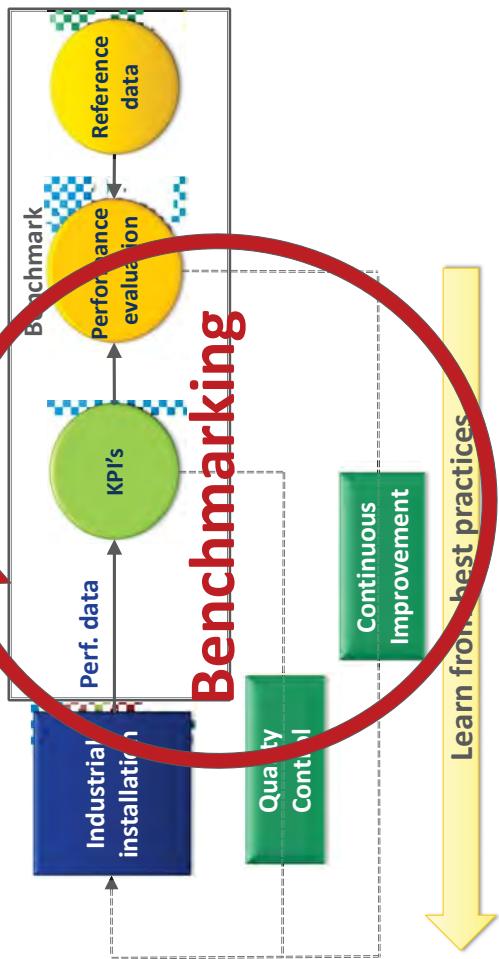
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## Goal of activity benchmarking

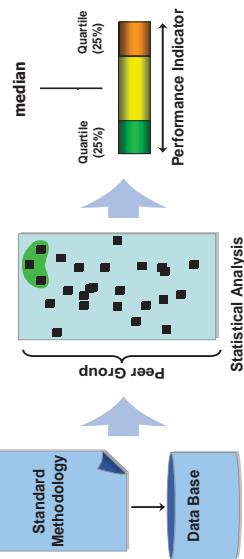


## Benchmarking cycle

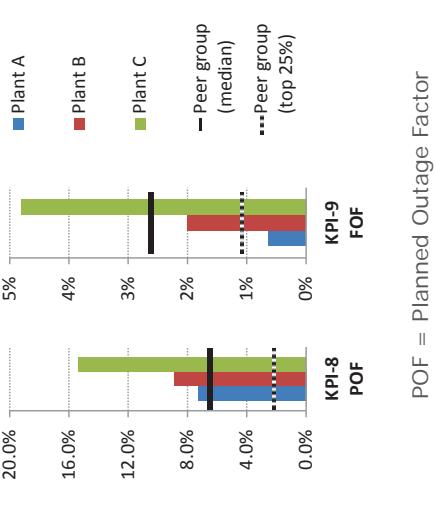


## KPI's and reference data explained

- A KPI is
  - a performance measurement
  - defined by a set of values used to measure against
  - based on math that is the same for all situations
  - used to evaluate the success of a particular activity in which it is engaged
- Preferred reference data is obtained from a **peer group**

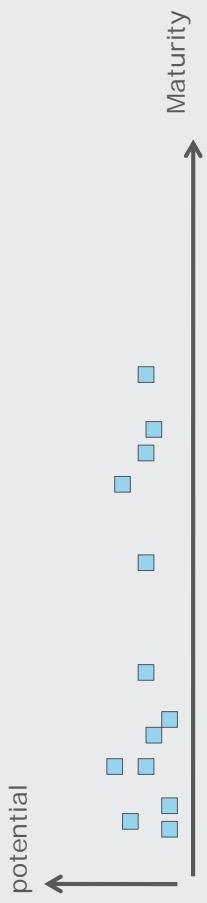


## Example results



## Benchmarking of technologies in early stage of development

### Novel Technologies



### Different technologies, different potential, different maturity

### Issues for the benchmarking model

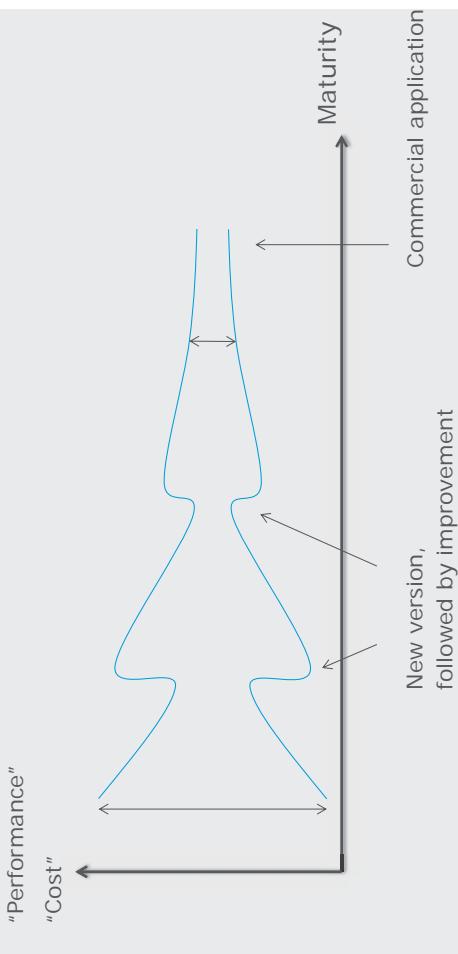
- No reference performance data available -> no peer group
  - Other reference needed?
- Not the same level of maturity (model ≠ pilot ≠ demo ≠ full scale)
  - How to scale for comparison across maturity?
- Scaling means uncertainty
  - What to do with uncertainty?

### How to deal with these issues?

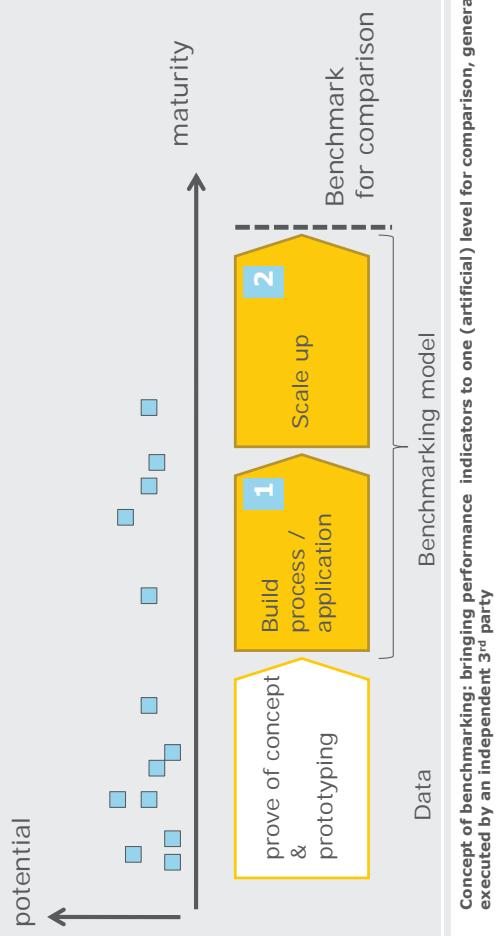
### Reference

- When a peer group doesn't exist one could use a well defined reference plant.
    - 1. Reference plant
    - 2. Plant to be benchmarked
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- A diagram illustrating the comparison of a reference plant (PP 1) and a plant to be benchmarked (PP 1 + CAP 2). Two blue boxes labeled 'PP 1' are connected by a bracket labeled 'Comparison'. An arrow points from the top 'PP 1' to a blue box labeled 'PP 1 + CAP 1'. Another arrow points from the bottom 'PP 1' to a blue box labeled 'PP 1 + CAP 2'. Arrows also point from both 'PP 1 + CAP 1' and 'PP 1 + CAP 2' to a large blue box labeled 'Benchmark'.

## Uncertainty



## Benchmarking model



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## Example results: ROAD 250 MW<sub>e</sub> DEMO - design alternatives



Net Electrical output and reboiler duty compared: illustrative of the need to have a model to bring all inputs to the same level of comparison. source: de Miguel Mercader et al, IJGCC, 2013

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## Let's take a side-step - Example use of TRL Carbon Capture Mongstad (CCM)

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## New gas fired CHP plant at Mongstad Refinery (2010)

CCM Agreement

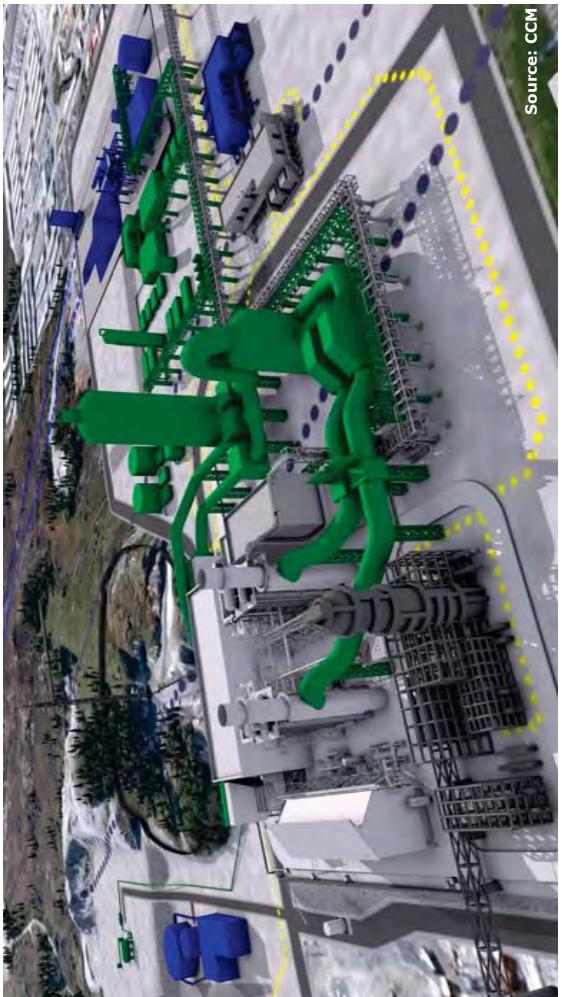
- CHP plant may be operated on the condition that CO<sub>2</sub> is captured and stored
- Max. capacity 1.3 Mton/yr
- Start-up foreseen in 2020
- Only amine based and ammonium carbonate based technologies considered



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## Typical post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant



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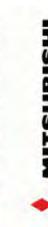
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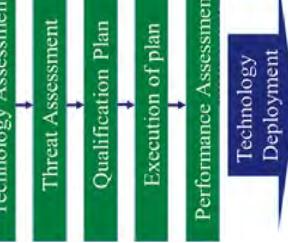
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Our main task "follow-up, verification and evaluation of all technology qualification activities"



- Qualification Basis
- Technology Assessment
- Threat Assessment
- Qualification Plan
- Execution of plan
- Performance Assessment
- Technology Deployment

Goals:

- **Prove capture plant is TRL 4\***
- Energy performance meet minimum requirements
- Emissions meet minimum requirements

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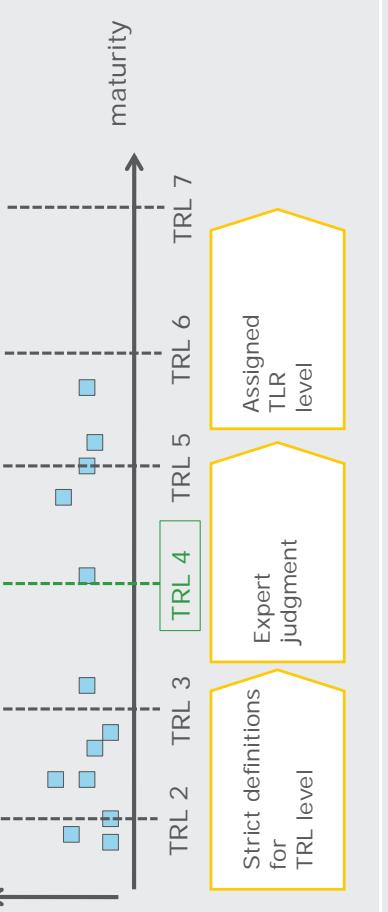
## Technology Readiness Level goal

## Technology Readiness Levels

TRL 4: Representative of full scale prototype (or production unit) built and put through a qualification test program in (simulated or actual) intended environment

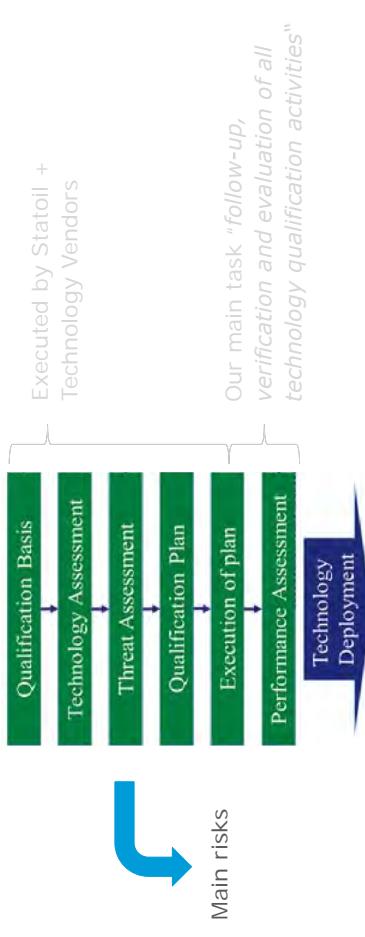
Level	Development stage
TRL 0	Unproven Idea
TRL 1	Analytically Proven Concept
TRL 2	Physically Proven Concept
TRL 3	Prototype Tested
<b>TRL 4</b>	<b>Environment Tested</b>
TRL 5	System Integration Tested
TRL 6	System Installed
TRL 7	Proven Technology

Technology Readiness Level (Statoil WR-1622)



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## Technology qualification process



Main risks

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## Main development risks identified

- Scale-up of absorber (and stripper)
- Severe solvent degradation
  - O<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> in flue gas
- H&E aspects
  - Carcinogenic nitrosamines and nitramines
  - Amines and other degradation products
  - Waste (water)
  - NH<sub>3</sub>

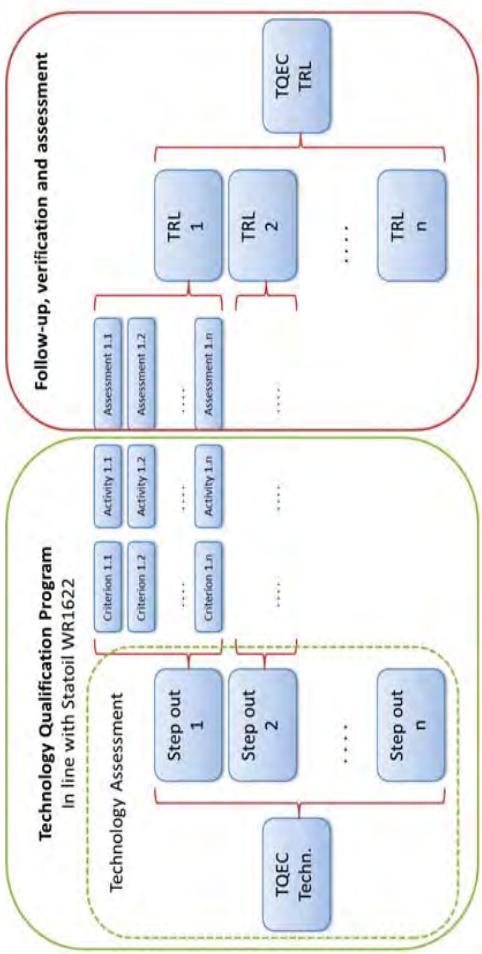
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## TRL assessed per technology step out category

- Example step out A: (design and scale-up of) Absorber



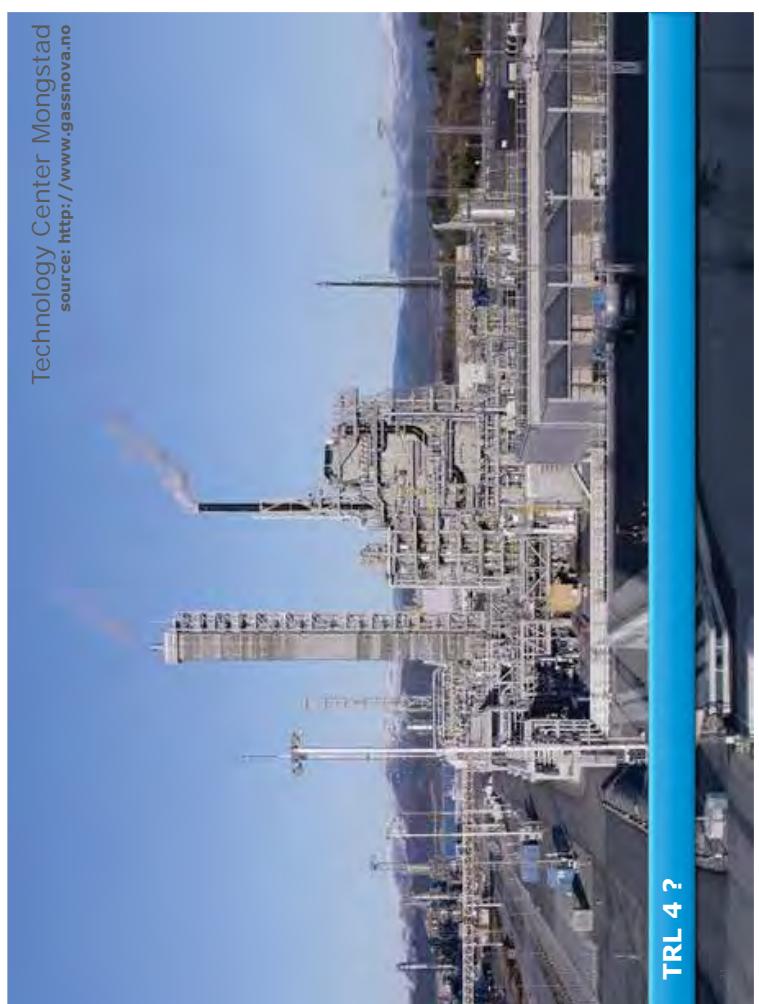
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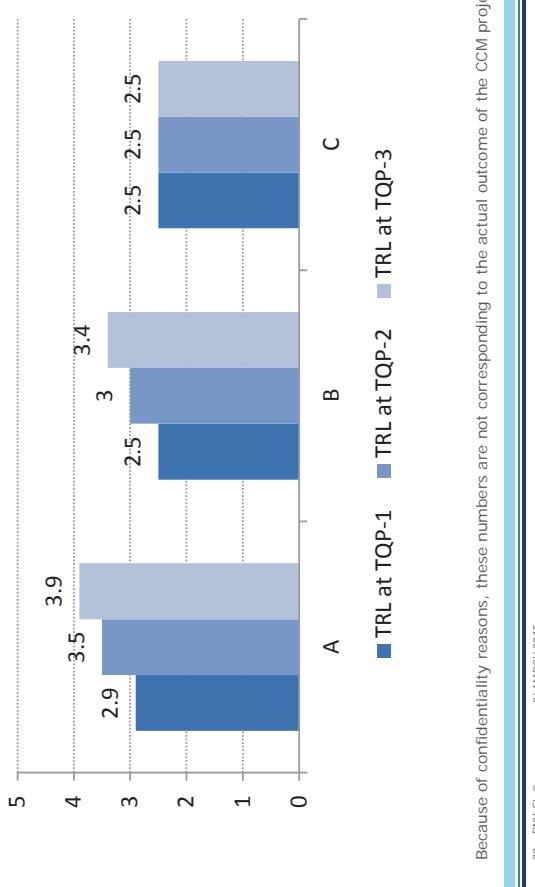
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## TRL assessment of technology vendors on three project phases



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TRL 4 ?

Various pictures from the workshop



