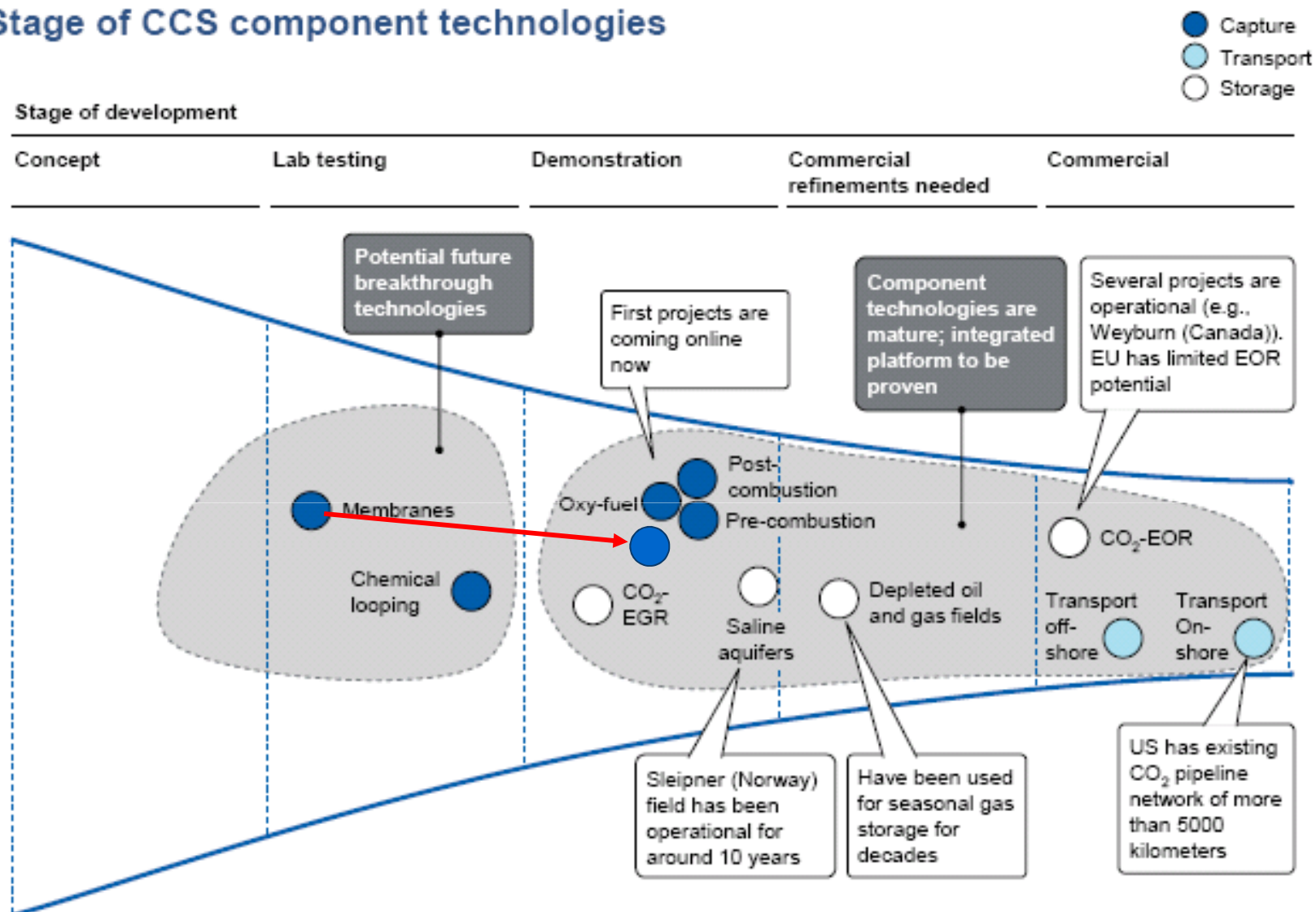


## Stage of CCS component technologies





# NanoGLOWA post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture membranes

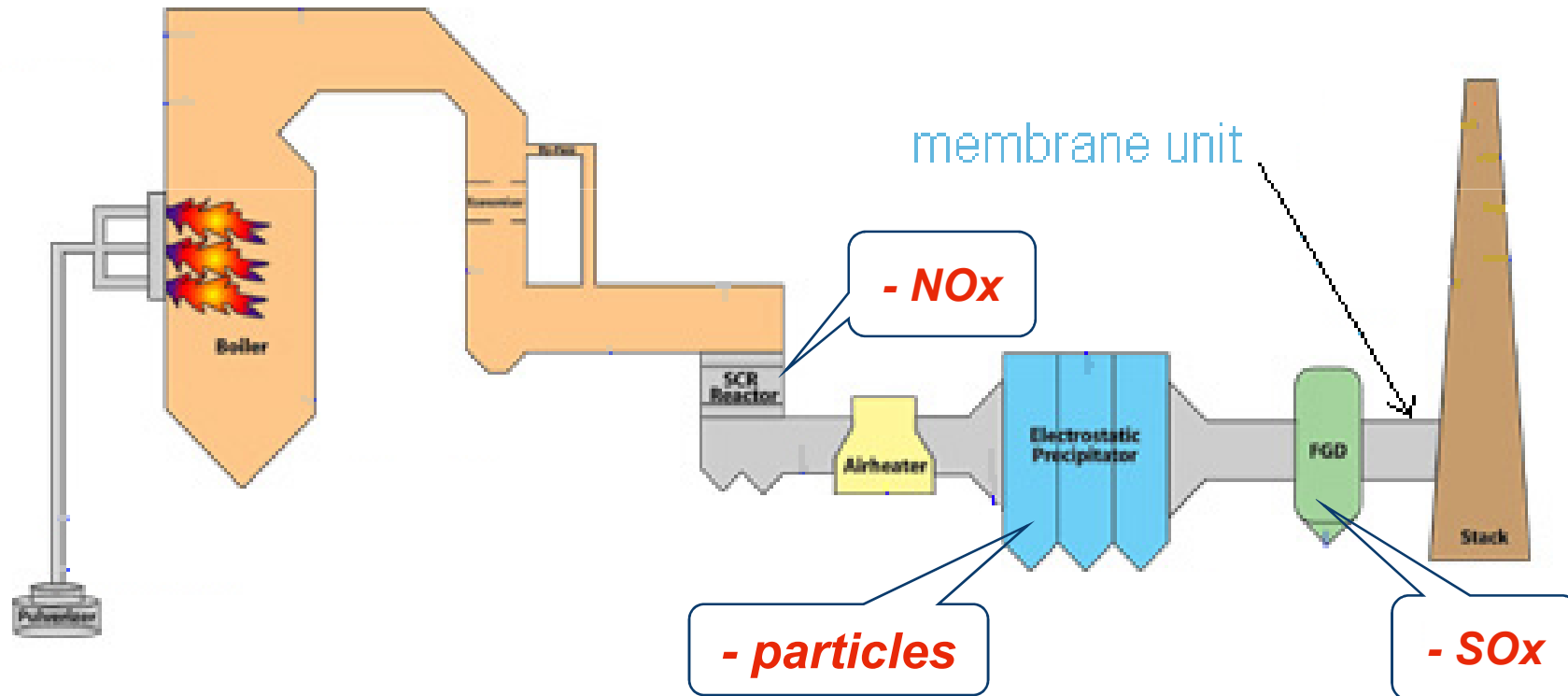
Progress, performance and pilot testing  
at six industrial test sites

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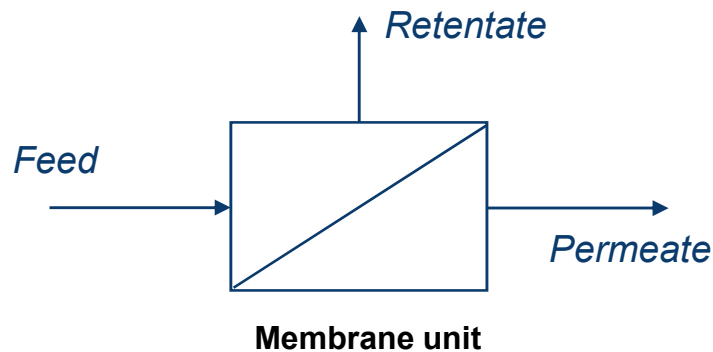
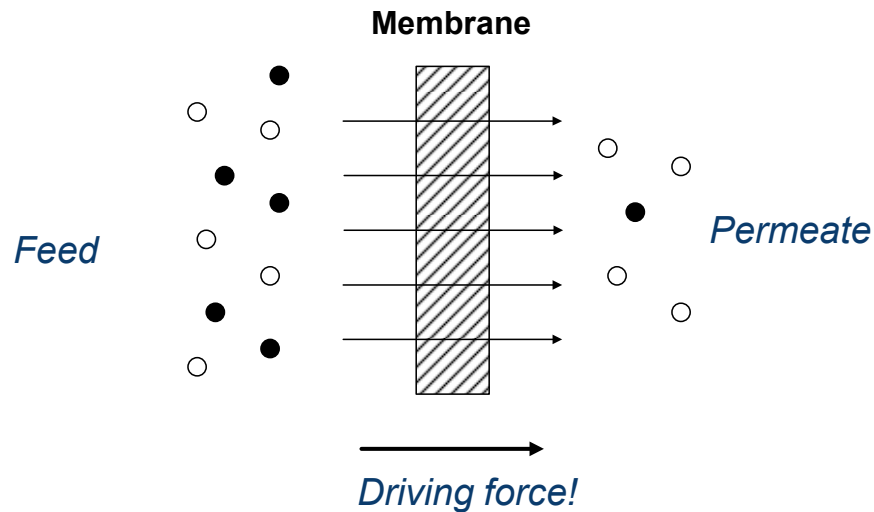
*TCCS-6, Trondheim, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011*

# 2005: Why not capturing CO<sub>2</sub> with selective membranes?

## Flue gas flow at coal-fired power plant



# Membranes have an appealing potential ...



## *Appealing potential*

- High energy efficiency<sup>1)</sup>
- No separate regeneration step
- No chemicals, no waste streams
- Relative simple power plant integration
- Intensified
- Continuous process

1) No phase change required



...water was already captured from  
power plants flue gases



**Water ‘balance’**

**400 MW coal-fired PP:**

- Emits 150 m<sup>3</sup> / hrs
- Needs 30 m<sup>3</sup> / hrs

# NanoGLOWA has been executed

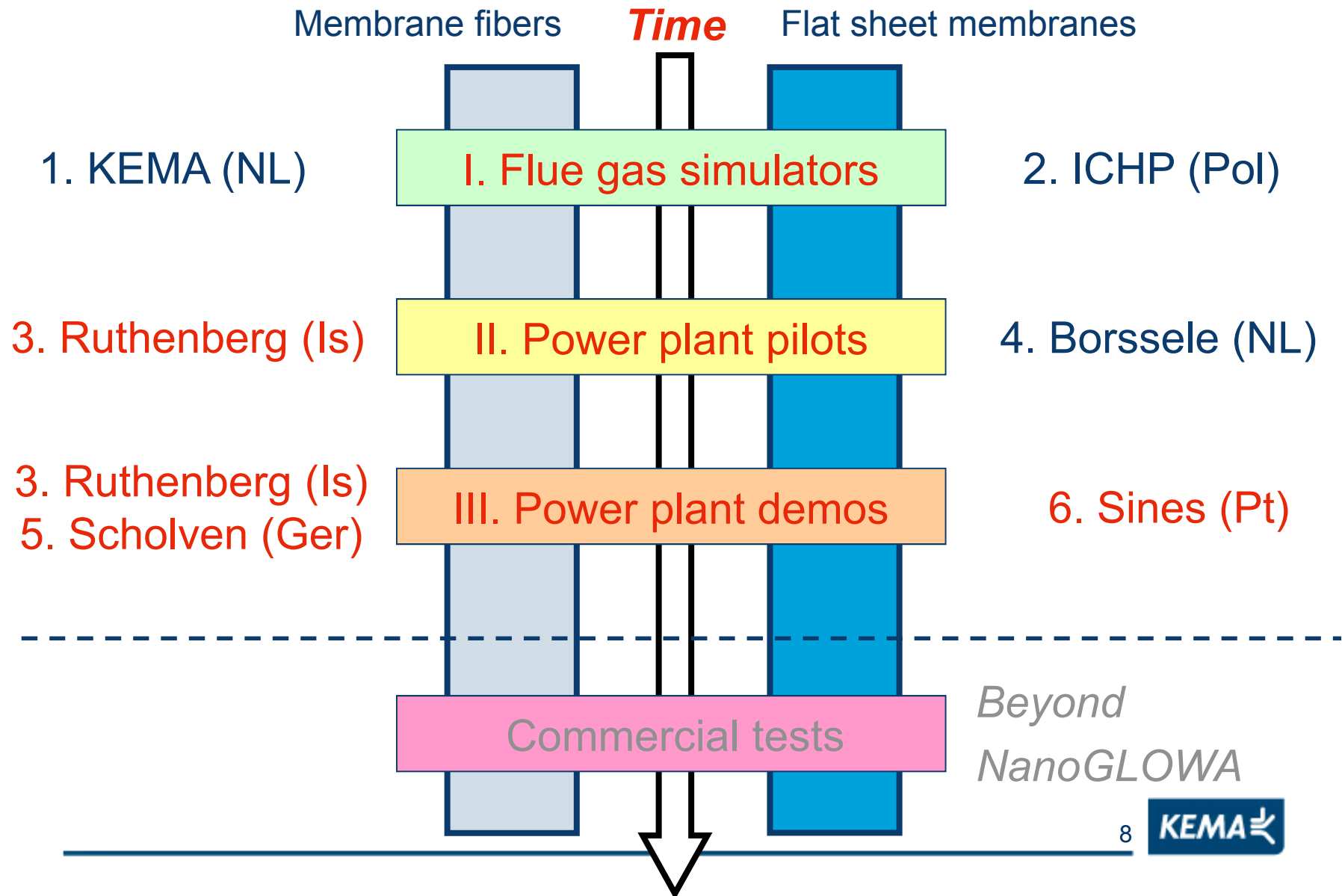
... to develop optimal nano-structured membranes and *installations* for post-combustion capture from coal-fired power plants

	Laboratories	Flue gas simulators	Power plants
Gas supply	CO <sub>2</sub> / N <sub>2</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> O	+ O <sub>2</sub> / SO <sub>2</sub> / NO <sub>x</sub>	complete flue gases
Feed flow	<< 1 m <sup>3</sup> /h	1 - 10 m <sup>3</sup> /h	5 - 70 m <sup>3</sup> /h
Membrane area	~ 5 cm <sup>2</sup>	0.05 - 1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 - 10 m <sup>2</sup>
Scale factor	n = 1	n = 200	n = 2,000
Tests duration	mins - hours	up to 500 hours	half a year
	2007      2008	2009      2010	2011      year

# Membranes and economics: tomorrow morning in the A4 session

- Techno-economic analysis of membrane cascades (RWTH)
- Preparation of polysulfone hollow fibers as support for CO<sub>2</sub> selective membranes (NTNU)
- Transport behavior of polymer membranes for flue gas treatment (TU Twente)
- Maps for the evaluation of membrane performance in CO<sub>2</sub> post-combustion capture (ITM-CNR)

# Demos at Sines, Ruthenberg & Scholven



# These power plants all burn hard coal

## Main components in flue gases of NanoGLOWA's demonstration power plants

Company Power station	EDP Sines	IEC Ruthenberg	EOn Scholven (district heating)
Flue gas flow (Nm <sup>3</sup> /h wet)	1,125,000	1,919,000	600.000 <sup>2)</sup>
Fuel type	Hard coal	Hard coal	Hard coal
Power output (MWe)	4 x 314	2x575 + 2x550	70
Main flue gas elements (%)			
N <sub>2</sub>	70	67.8	..
H <sub>2</sub> O	12	16	13 - 15
CO <sub>2</sub>	11	12.5	12 - 14
O <sub>2</sub>	5	3.7	7 - 8
SO <sub>2</sub> (mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>1)</sup>	200	100	30 - 60

1) At dry conditions 2) temp of 52 – 54 °C where modules are implemented

# Flat sheet membranes at Sines (Pt)



Boiler

SCR

ESP

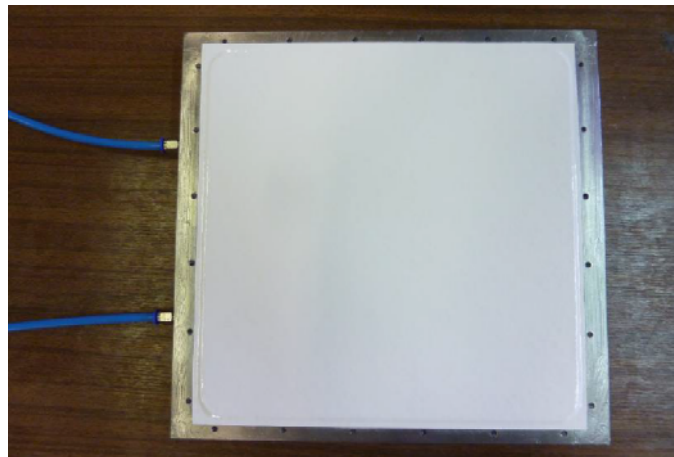
FGD

- 20-30 m<sup>3</sup>/h flue gas
  - with 500 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup> NO<sub>x</sub>
- 1.5 m<sup>2</sup> flat sheet membrane area
- Novel membrane module
- ± 6 months continuous testing
- Special interest: particles, durability, condensation





# Flue gas duct with controls, membrane module and its installation



# Fibre modules at Ruthenberg (Is) are purifying CO<sub>2</sub> to feed a greenhouse

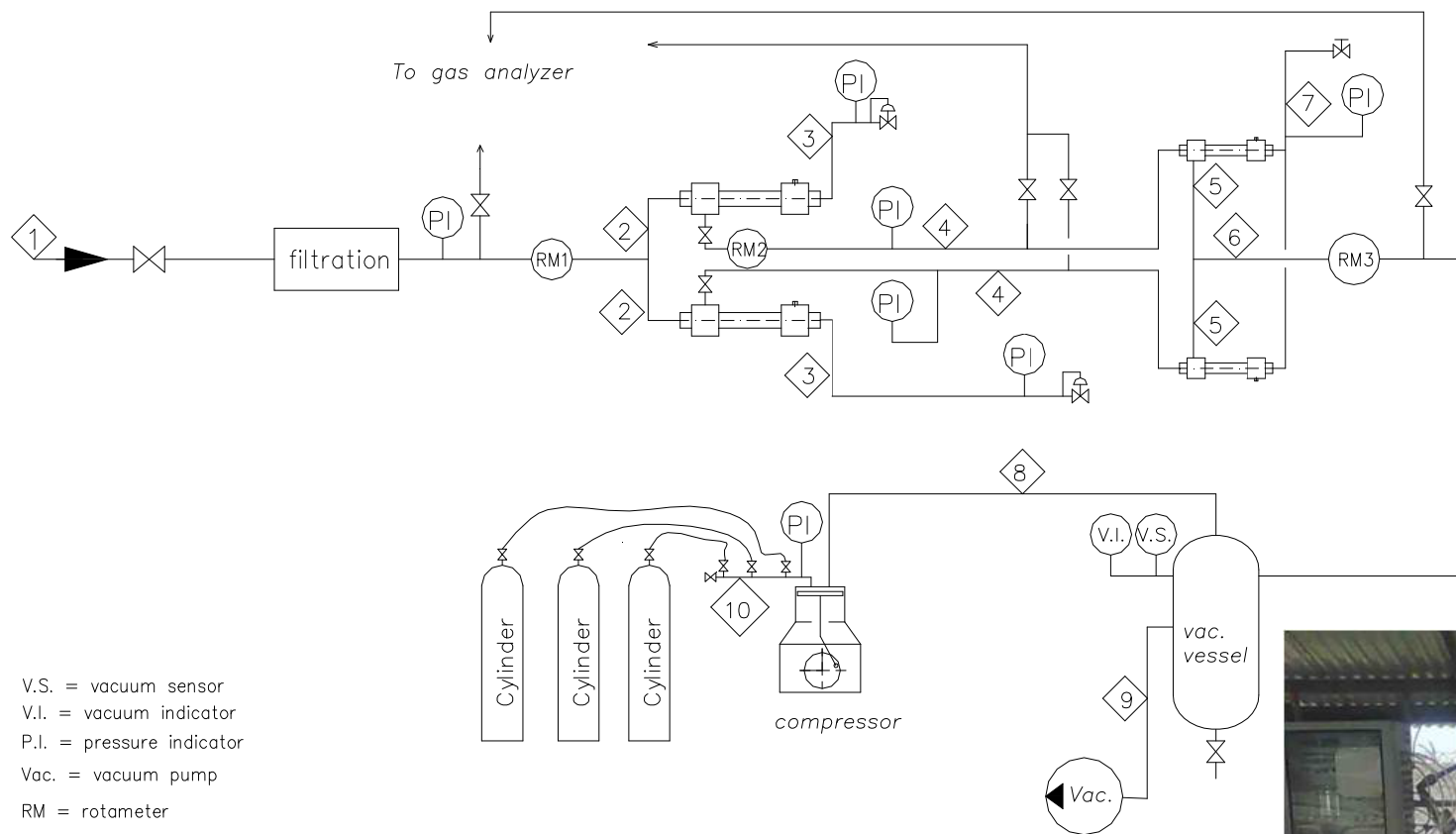


- CO<sub>2</sub> purity 30-60%
  - dep. on set-up conditions
  - to be optimised

- Permeance
  - >1.0 m<sup>3</sup>/m<sup>2</sup>.h.bar
- Selectivity
  - 25-70 (dep. on T)



# A two-stage membrane system is erected containing 4 modules



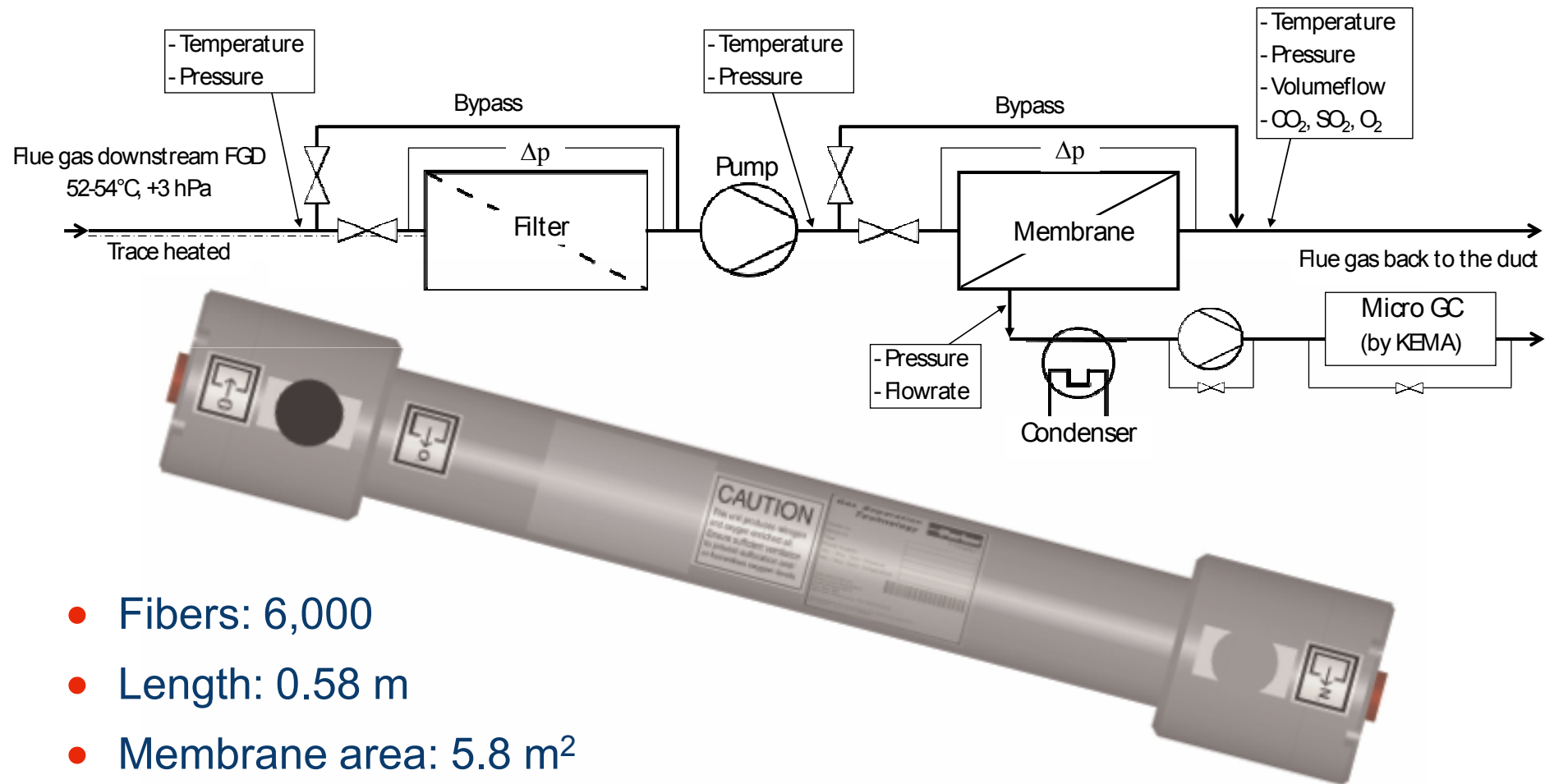
## Thirdly at Scholven (Ger) two more fibre modules are demonstrated



- 2 module types
  - curtain & tube
- 3 weeks test campaign for each module
  - determine optimal process conditions



# With the tube module a substantial membrane area is exposed to flue gas



- Fibers: 6,000
- Length: 0.58 m
- Membrane area: 5.8 m<sup>2</sup>

# Re-looking at the membrane potential

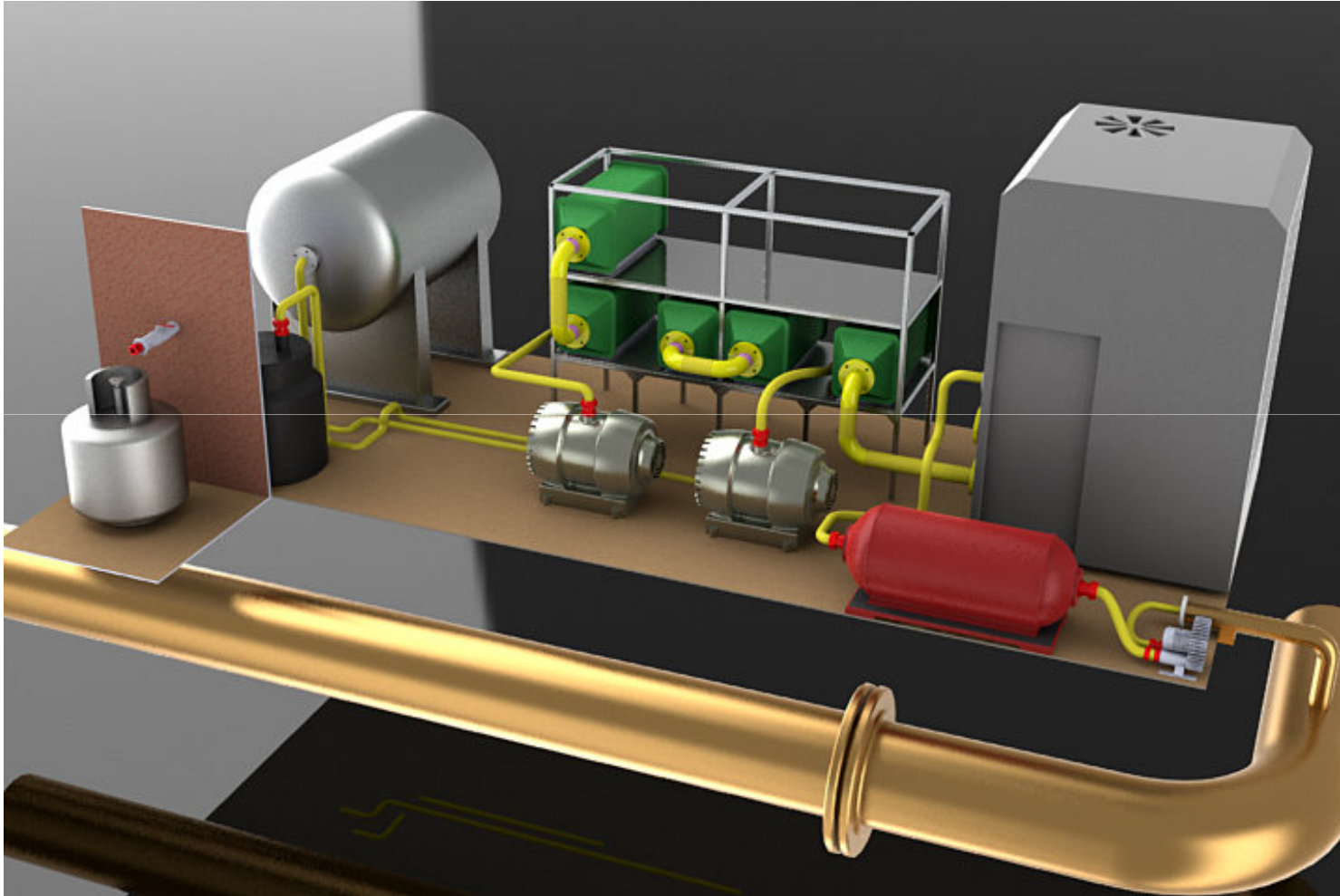
- Post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub>-selective membrane advantages:
  - +/- High energy efficiency
  - ✓ No separate regeneration step
  - ✓ No chemicals, no waste streams
  - ✓ Relative simple power plant integration
  - ? Intensified
  - ✓ Continuous process
- *Note:* absorber technology might be more mature, however:
  - Membranes are large scale and commercial, e.g.:
    - reverse osmosis (millions of m<sup>2</sup>)
  - Absorbers need post FGD SO<sub>2</sub> – polishing
    - NanoGLOWA membranes: so far no pretreatment

# What's next ?

- **Completion of duration tests until end of 2011**
  - Durability data: 6 weeks @ Scholven, 6 months @ Sines, a set of 'bottle fills' @ Ruthenberg
  - Performance in time, e.g. purity & recovery
  - Process / system experience: behavior at various settings
- Further explore optimal system layout
  - Tradeoff energy / recovery / purity / area / CAPEX
- Beyond NanoGLOWA:
  - Demonstrate the membrane technology in other flue gases
  - Scale up with another factor 10
  - Combine carbon and water capture



# Visualised...





# Thanks for your attention

## For more information:

- Participate in NanoGLOWA's Workshop at ICOM 2011, July 24<sup>th</sup>, Amsterdam ([www.icom2011.org](http://www.icom2011.org))
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