

# Status and Policy of CCUS in US

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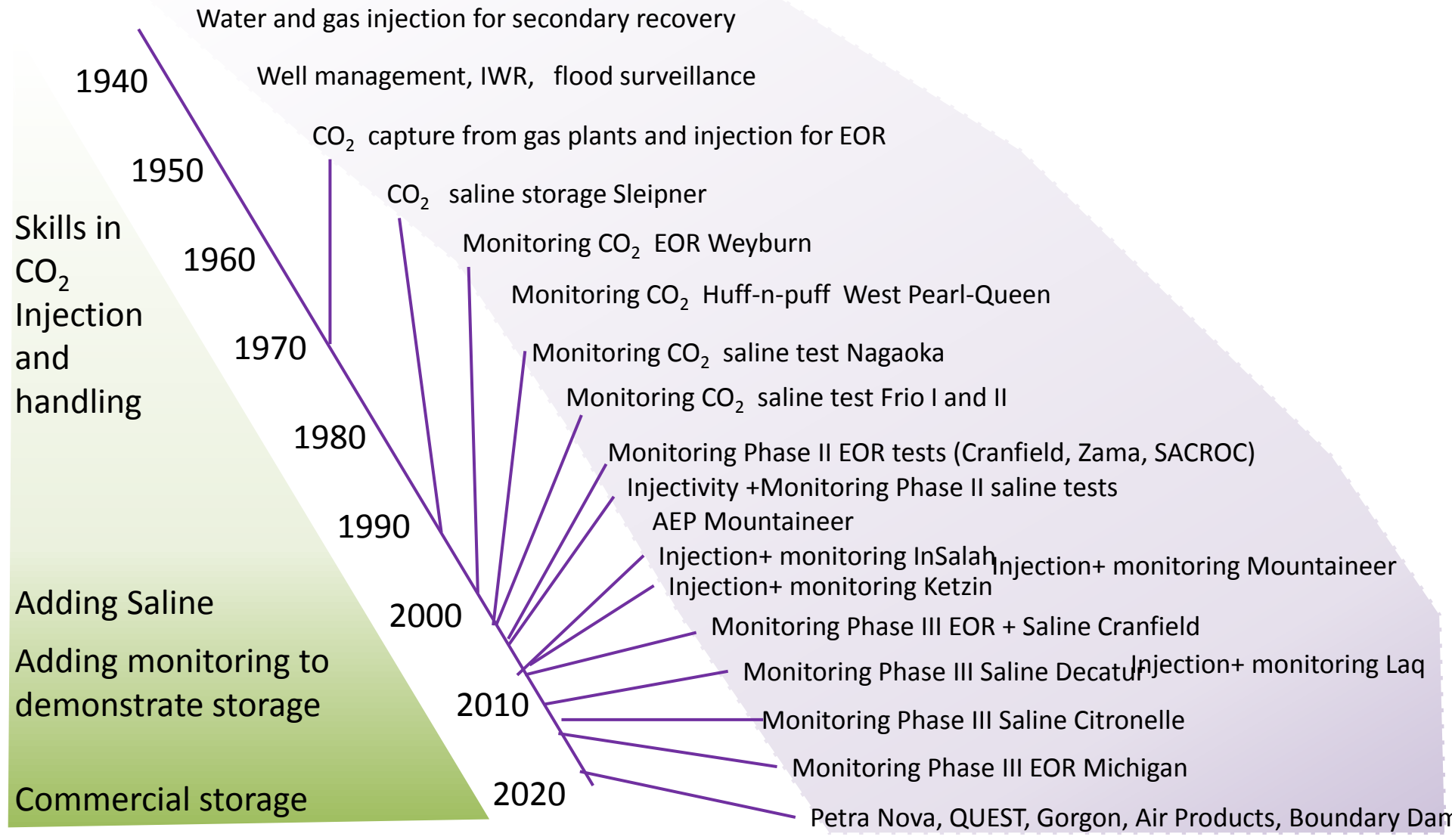


# Talk Outline

- Maturity of US CCS program
- Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnerships: 10 year characterization to deployment reaching conclusions
- Major integrated capture and storage projects
  - 4 out of 7 have progressed
- New ventures
  - CarbonSAFE
  - Mission Innovation
- Global collaboration
- Policy status and uncertainties

# Safe and Effective Injection > 50 years

## Representative projects



# Examples of the many parts of the US CCUS program

- US Department of Energy (Fossil Energy at Headquarters)
  - Bilaterals, Carbon Sequestration leadership Forum (CSLF)
- US National Laboratories
  - National Energy Technology Lab (NETL) clean coal program, leadership oil and gas research
  - Other laboratories technology development and modeling
- Environmental Protection Agency
  - Safe drinking water act – well permitting
  - Clean Air Act– authority regulate greenhouse gasses – reporting rules
- State and municipality rules
  - Incentives and rules to favor clean energy, recently State of California has been leading
- Bureau of Ocean Management – studying offshore storage rules

# Global and local progress

## DOE's Major CCUS

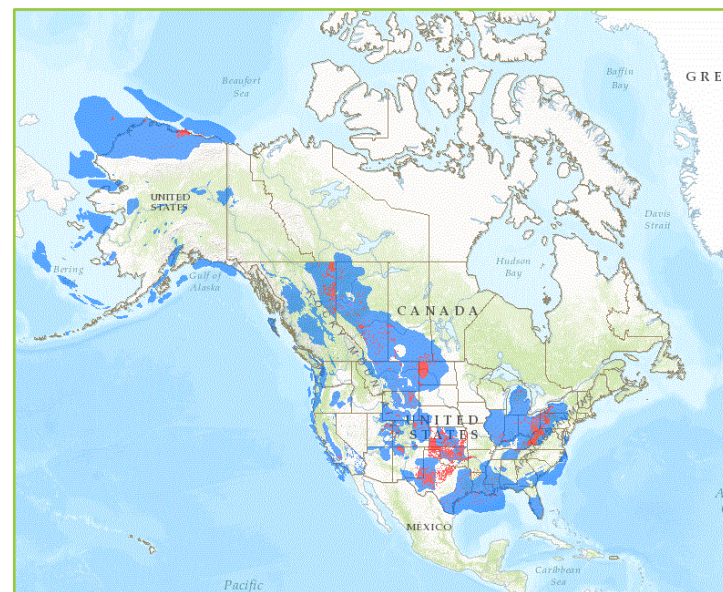


Source NETL 2014, updated  
2017

# Carbon Storage Program

## Lessons Learned

- The U.S. has a very large storage resource to exploit
- Storage can be safely integrated with capture and transportation
- A variety of geologies have proven the ability to accept CO<sub>2</sub> at commercial-scale injection rates
- No insurmountable scientific/technical barriers to geologic storage have been identified
- Technology advancements and field experience have increased confidence in predicting CO<sub>2</sub> movement and confirming confining system integrity
  - More work is required—reduce cost, risk, and increase certainty in technologies



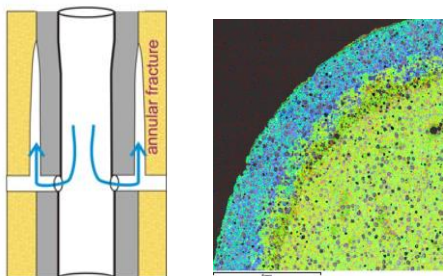
- RCSP Saline Formations (Atlas V)
- RCSP Oil & Natural Gas Reservoirs (Atlas V)



# Carbon Storage Program

## Addressing Subsurface Challenges and Risk

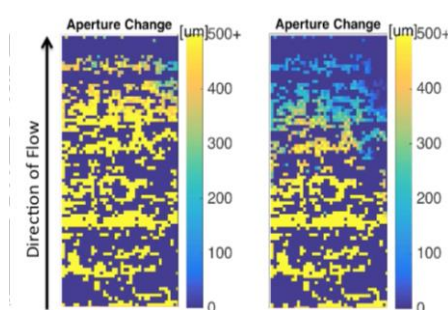
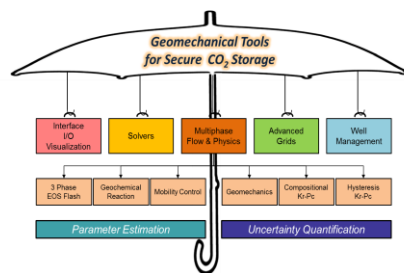
### Well Integrity and Mitigation



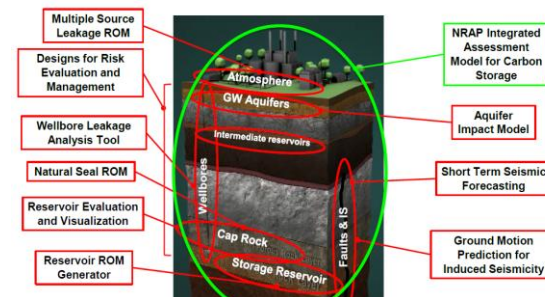
### Monitoring Verification and Accounting (MVA)



### Storage Complex Efficiency and Security



### Risk Assessment

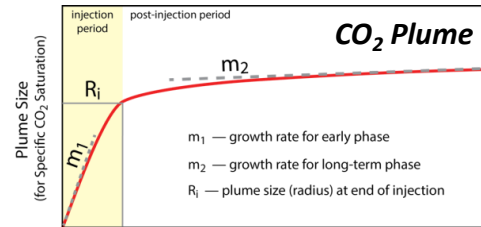


# National Risk Assessment Partnerships

## Identifying Critical Storage/Risk Relationships

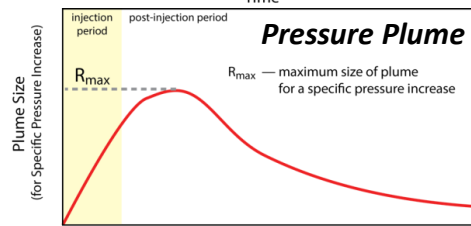
### Size of CO<sub>2</sub> plume injection

Rapid growth during injection;  
slower growth post injection



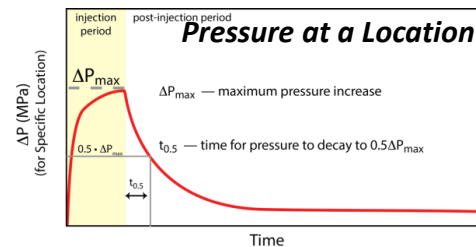
### Size of pressure-affected plume

Rapid growth during injection;  
reaches maximum and decays post



### Pressure at a location

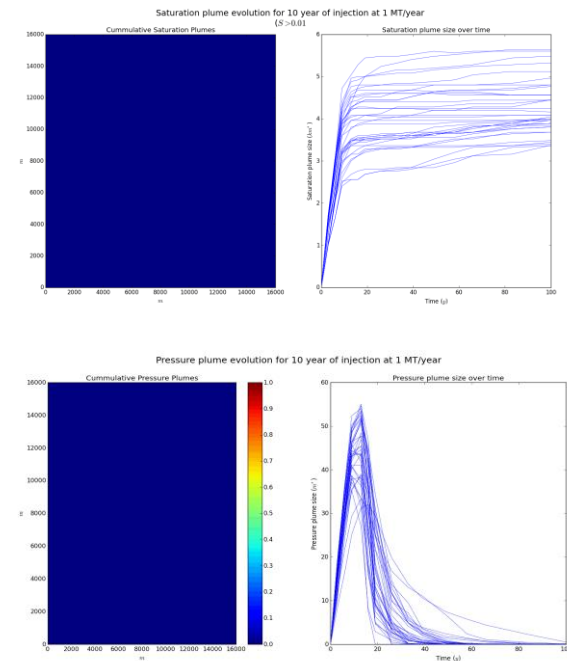
Rapid growth during injection; rapid  
decline post injection



Impact of geologic variables is on the same order as operational variables.

Bromhal et al. 2014





### Example Results from NRAP's Reservoir Evaluation and Visualization Tool





# Subsurface Technology and Engineering R&D Crosscut (SubTER)



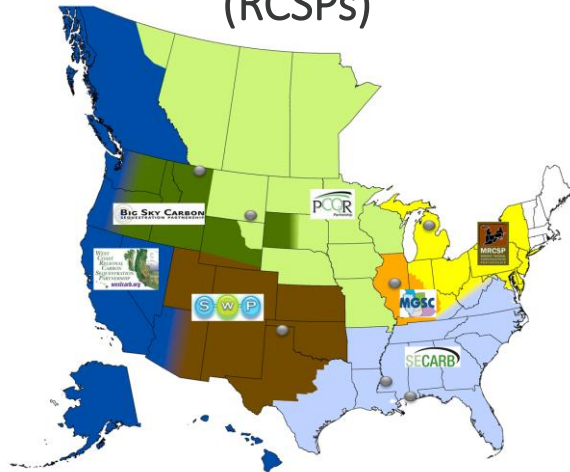
<b>Wellbore Integrity</b>		Reduce the risk of uncontrolled release of formation fluid throughout the lifecycle of a wellbore – protecting groundwater resources
<b>Subsurface Stress &amp; Induced Seismicity</b>		Understanding of subsurface stress state — to predict and control potential induced seismicity
<b>Permeability Manipulation &amp; Fluid Control</b>		Precise control over fracturing and fluid flow – characterize the deep subsurface and further understanding of coupled processes
<b>New Subsurface Signals</b>		New class of capabilities —characterize fractures and associated processes at high spatial resolution and over large operational areas

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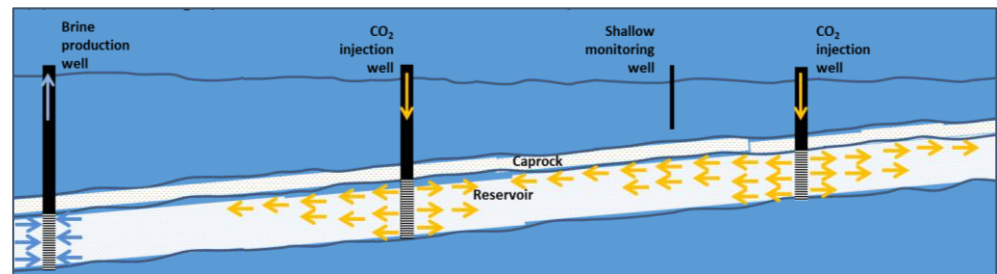
## Addressing Larger-scale Challenges

### Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnerships

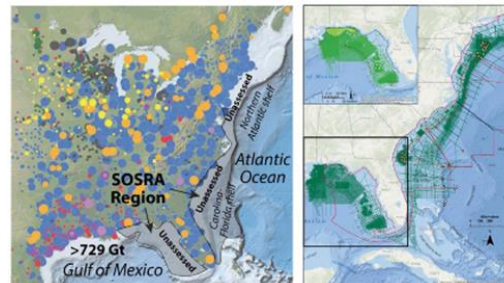
(RCSPs)



### Brine Extraction Storage Tests (BEST)



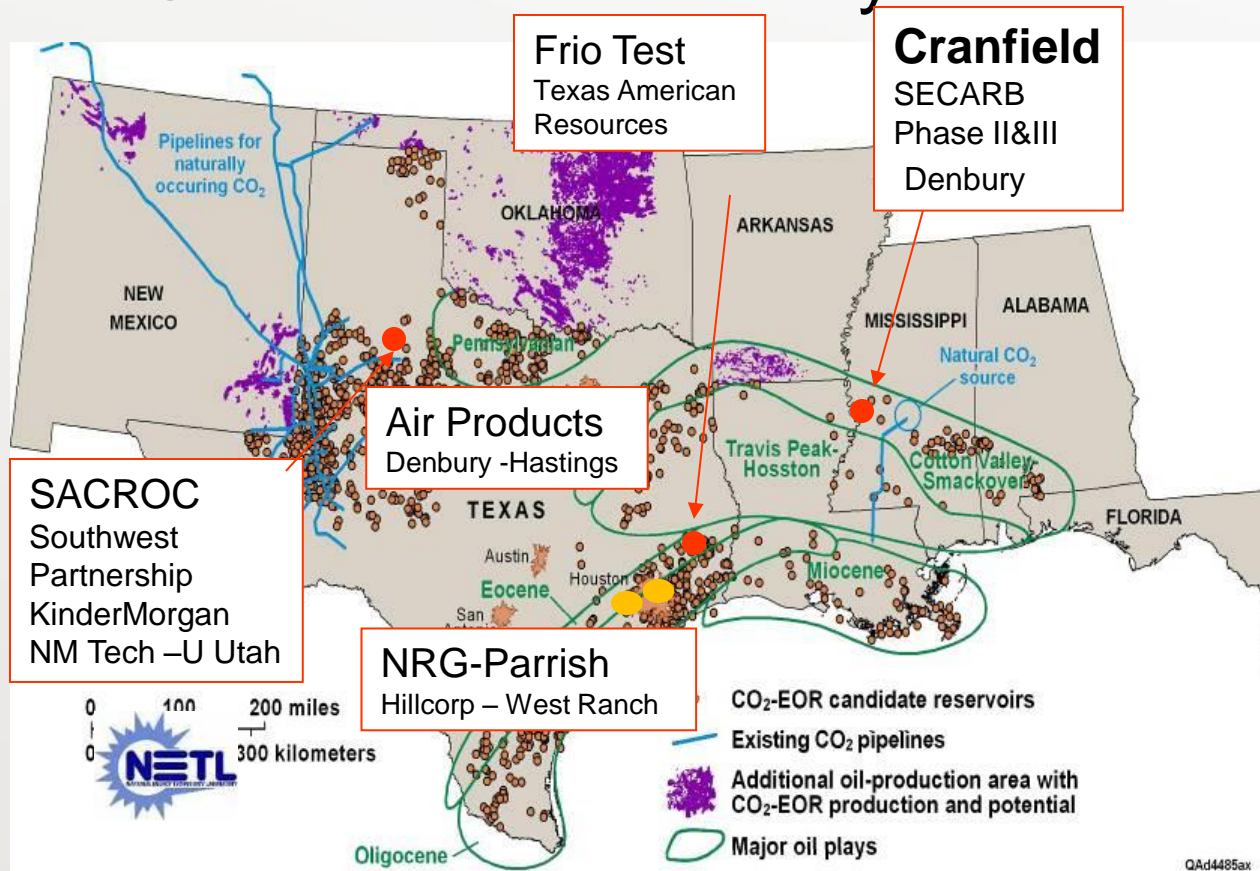
### Offshore Storage



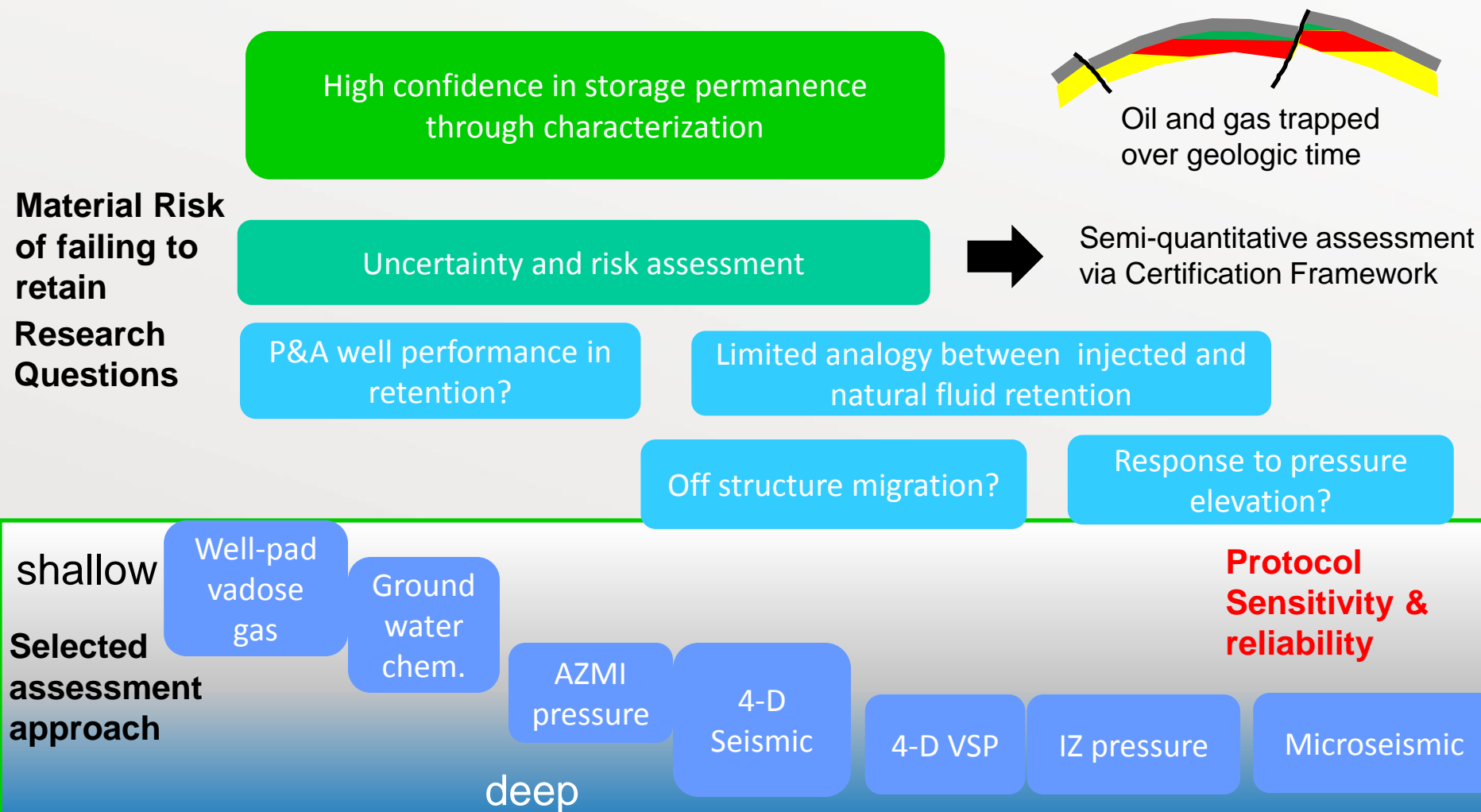
### Carbon SAFE



# GCCC Field Tests for Monitoring Verification and Accounting DOE-NETL and Industry Hosts



# RCSP SECARB “early” test at Cranfield- Monitoring design and optimization leanings applied to West Ranch



# Components of Petra Nova project

- Existing coal-fueled electrical generating unit at WA Parish power plant
- 240 MW equivalent slipstream of flue gas
- MHI amine capture 90% of carbon dioxide
- 50-50 joint venture by NRG and JX Nippon
- Capture more than 5,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> per day,
- 81-mile pipeline to West Ranch oil field
- Use for EOR
- Oil production at the field estimated to increase from 300 barrels to 15,000 barrels per day
- Monitoring by Hilcorp and the University Of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology



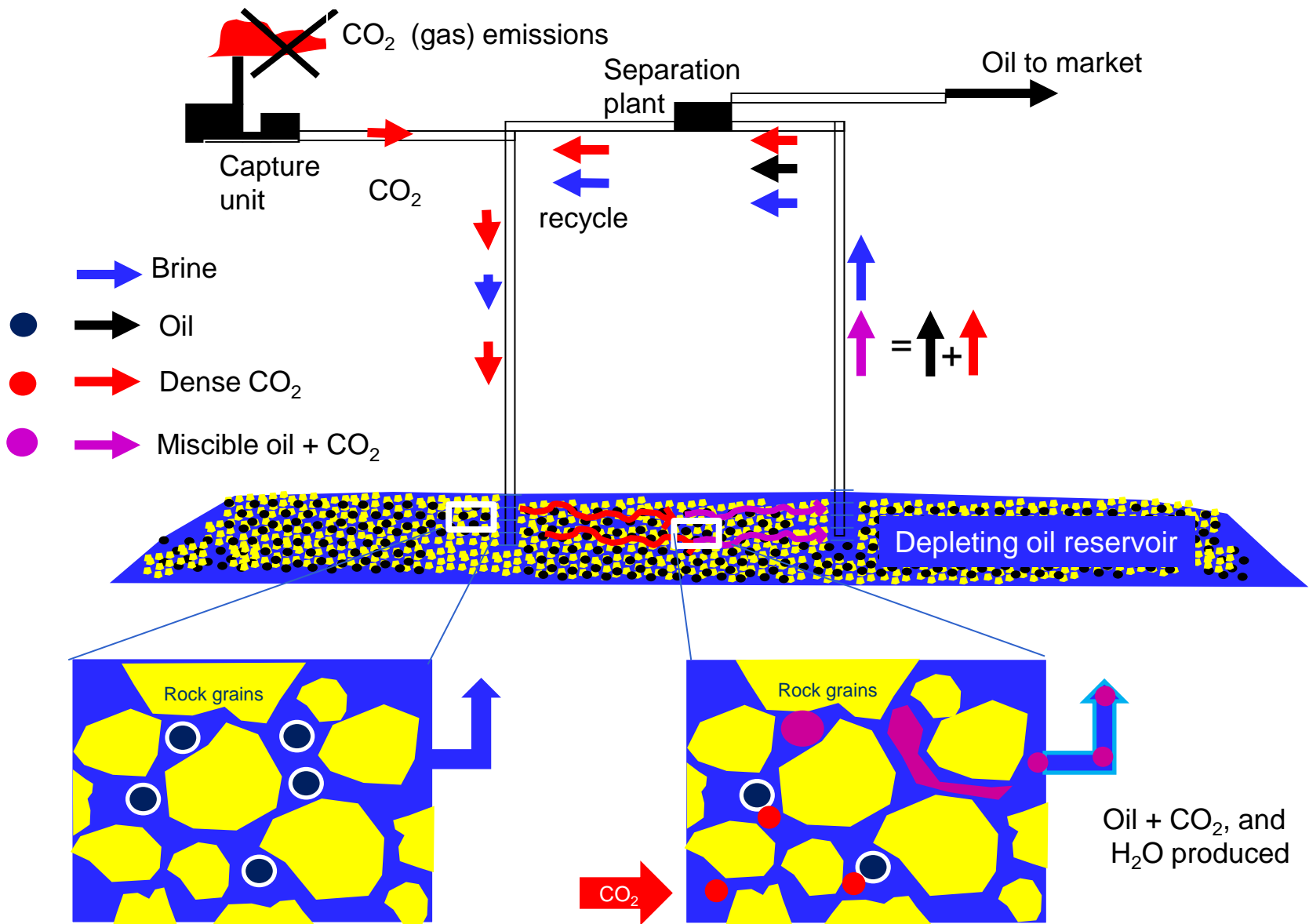
# NRG Petra Nova CCUS Project



Capture 90 percent of the CO<sub>2</sub> from a 240 MW equivalent slipstream of flue gas for use and sequester up to 1.6 million tons of this greenhouse gas annually.

<http://www.nrg.com/documents/business/pla-2014-petranova-waparish-factsheet.pdf>

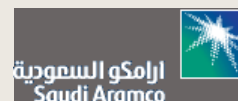
# Accounting for CO<sub>2</sub> Enhanced Oil Recovery in Storage





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