

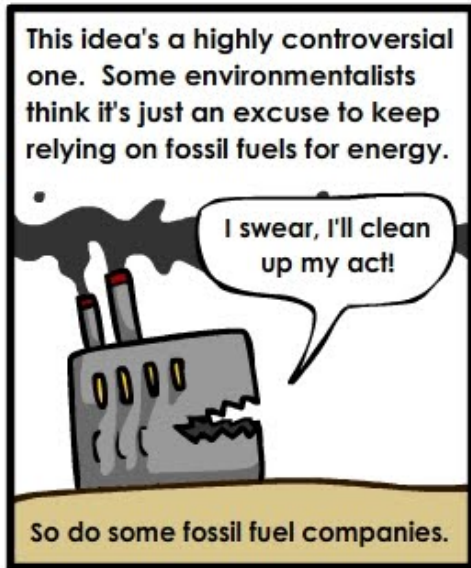
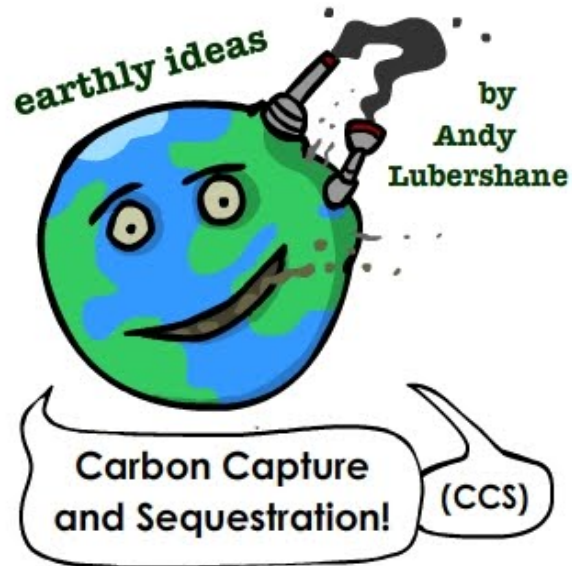
# Introduction to CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Process

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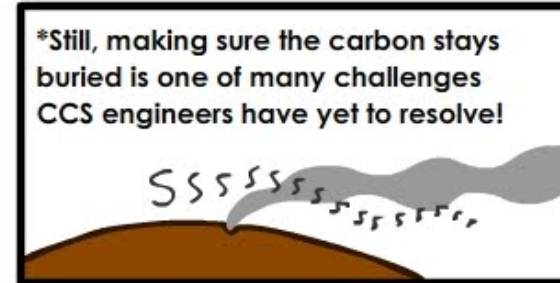
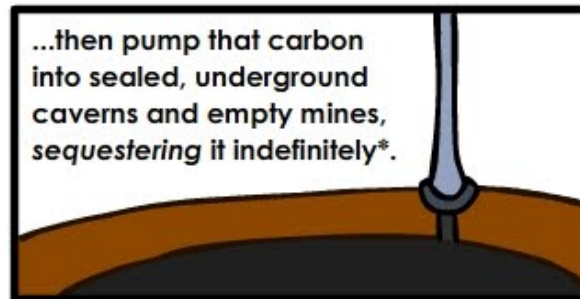
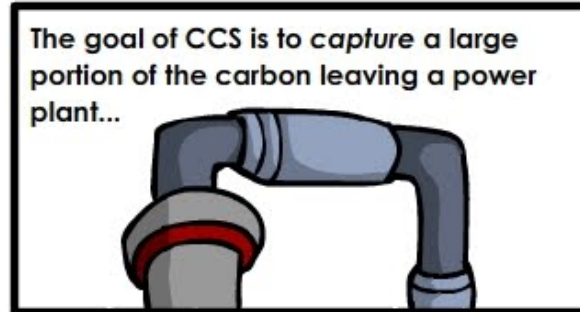
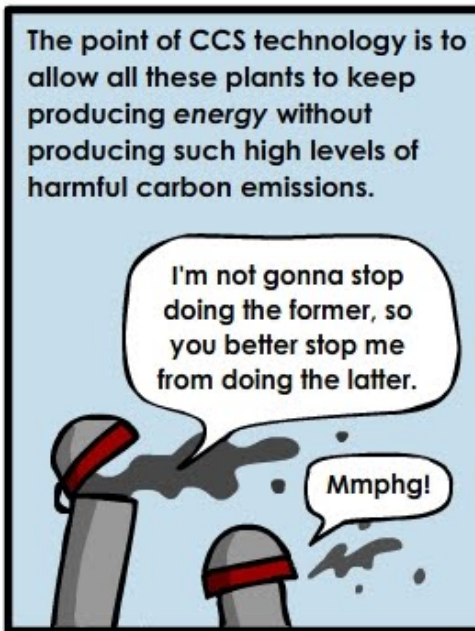
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## Outline

- Introduction to Carbon Capture and Storage
- Capture Systems
- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Ready



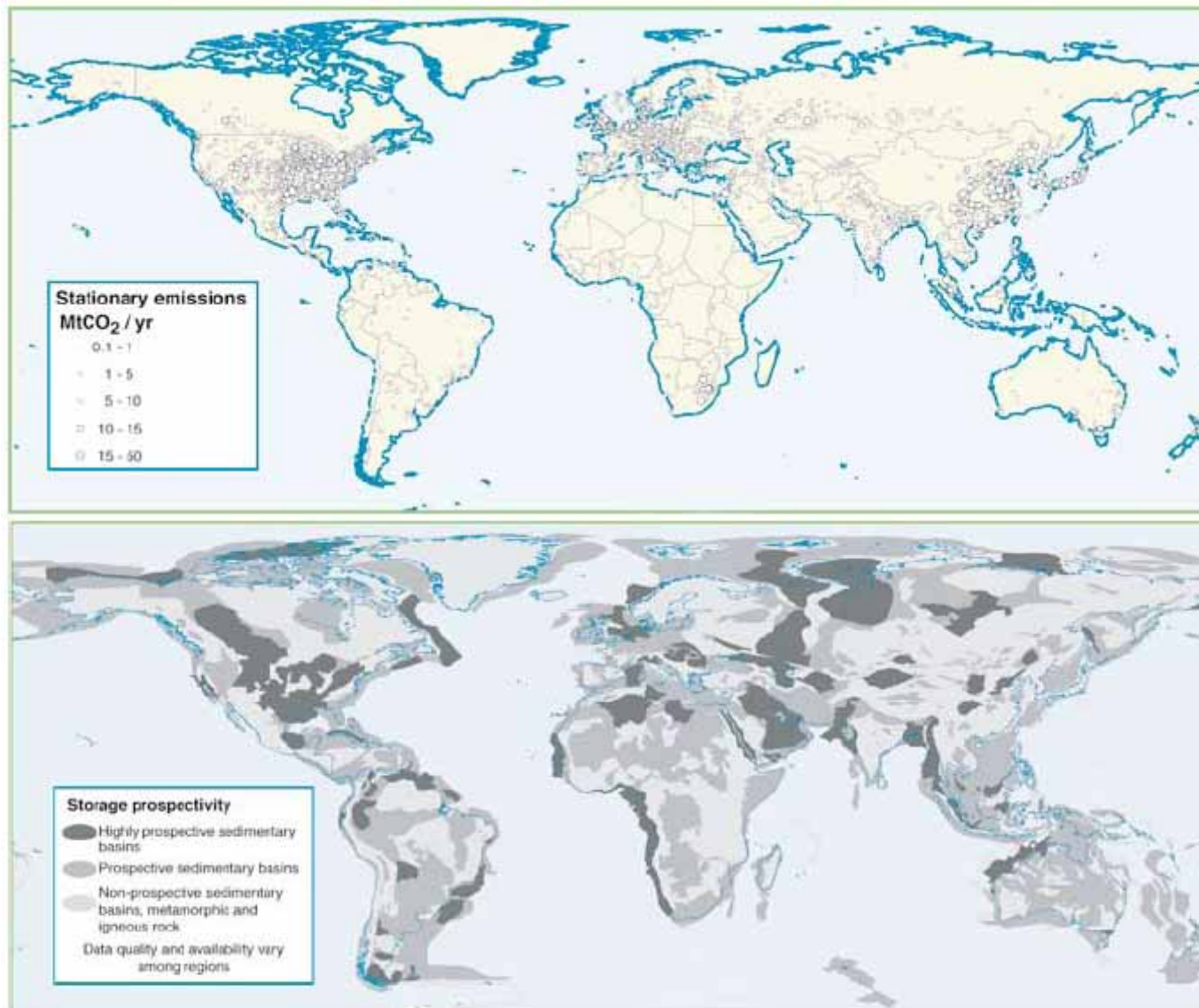
In reality, it is an excuse to keep burning fossil fuel, but it's not *JUST* an excuse.



All in all, CCS is a promising technology - one with which we ought to make sure new coal plants being built today are compatible!

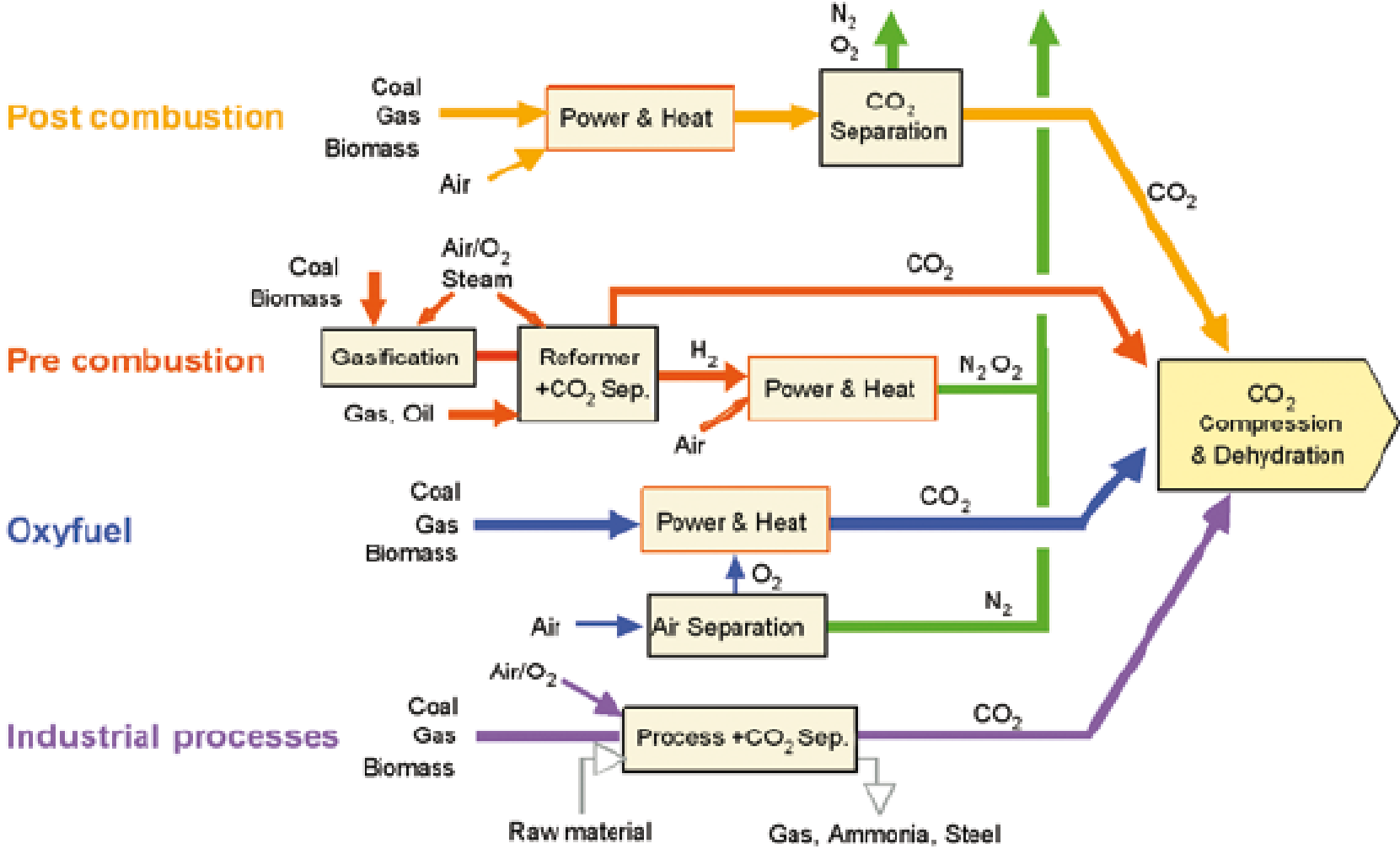


## CO<sub>2</sub> Stationary Sources and Potential Storage Site



Source: IPCC CCS Special Report, Technical Summary: pp24

# Overview of CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Processes and Systems



Source: IPCC CCS Special Report, Technical Summary: pp26

Candidate Gas Stream for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

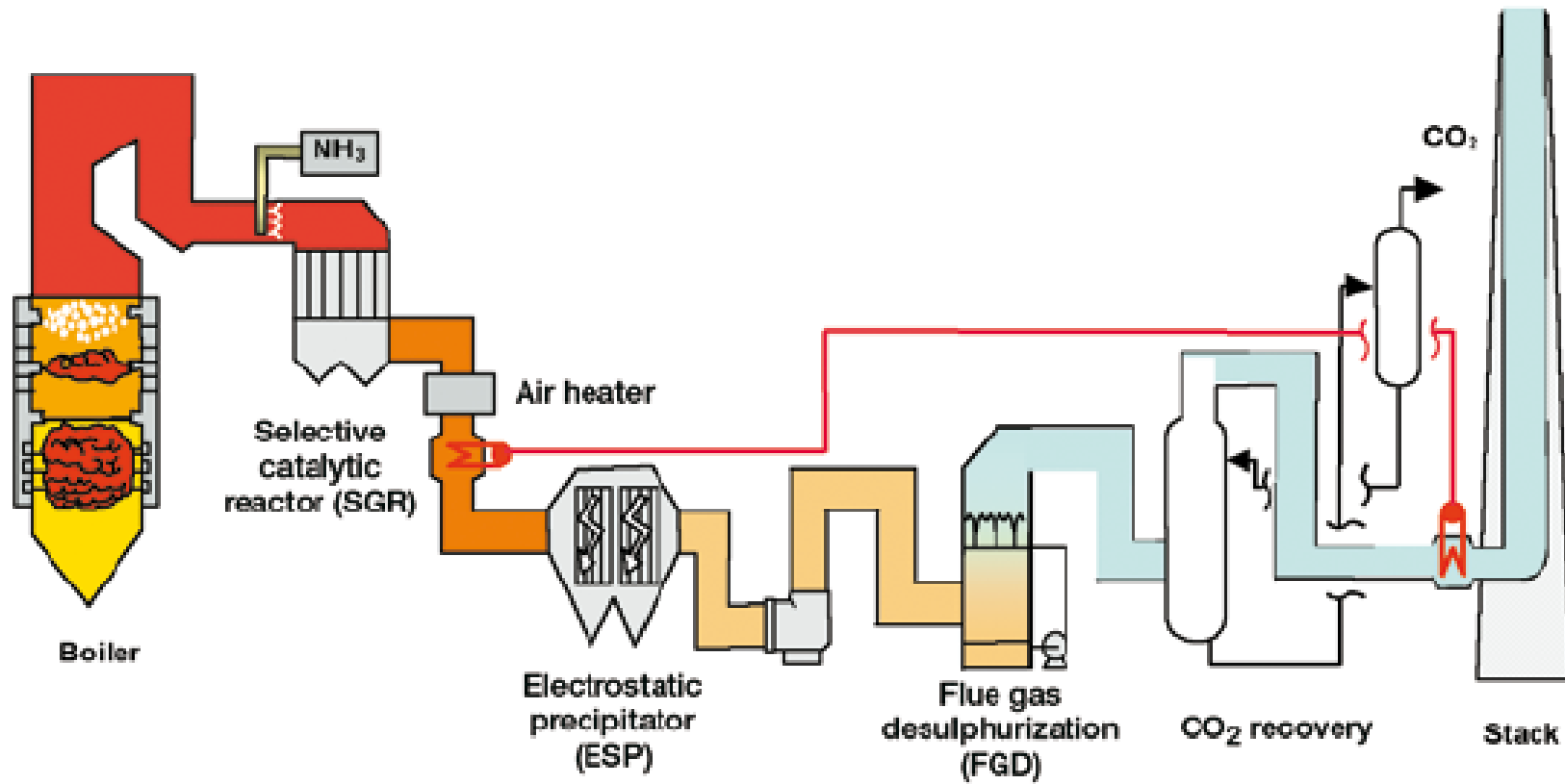
Source	CO <sub>2</sub> concentration % vol (dry)	Pressure of gas stream MPa <sup>a</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> partial pressure MPa
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> from fuel combustion</b>			
• Power station flue gas:			
Natural gas fired boilers	7 - 10	0.1	0.007 - 0.010
Gas turbines	3 - 4	0.1	0.003 - 0.004
Oil fired boilers	11 - 13	0.1	0.011 - 0.013
Coal fired boilers	12 - 14	0.1	0.012 - 0.014
IGCC <sup>b</sup> : after combustion	12 - 14	0.1	0.012 - 0.014
• Oil refinery and petrochemical plant fired heaters	8	0.1	0.008
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> from chemical transformations + fuel combustion</b>			
• Blast furnace gas:			
Before combustion <sup>c</sup>	20	0.2 - 0.3	0.040 - 0.060
After combustion	27	0.1	0.027
• Cement kiln off-gas	14 - 33	0.1	0.014 - 0.033
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> from chemical transformations before combustion</b>			
• IGCC: synthesis gas after gasification	8 - 20	2 - 7	0.16 - 1.4

<sup>a</sup> 0.1 MPa = 1 bar.

<sup>b</sup> IGCC: Integrated gasification combined cycle.

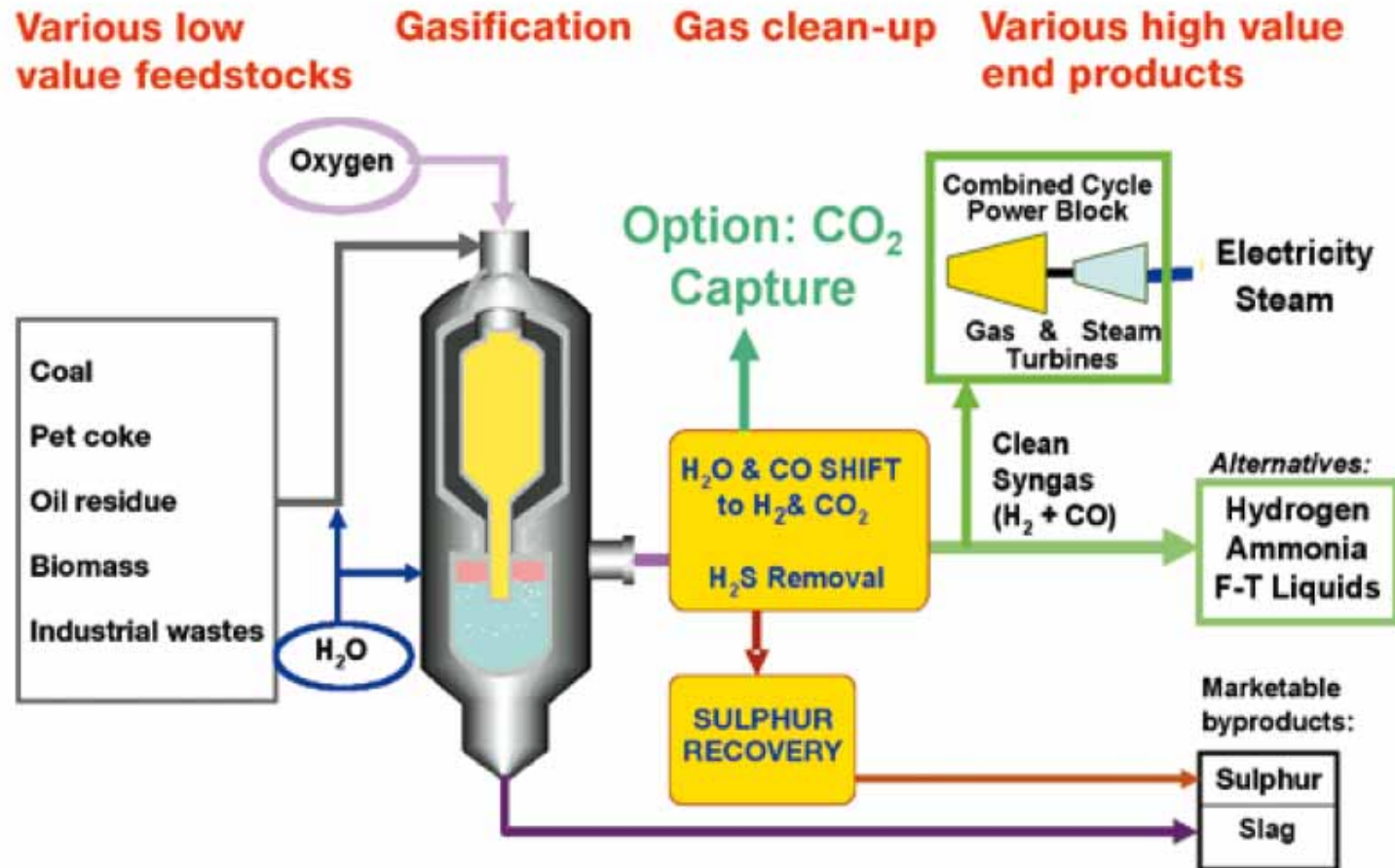
<sup>c</sup> Blast furnace gas also contains significant amounts of carbon monoxide that could be converted to CO<sub>2</sub> using the so-called shift reaction.

# Amine-based Capture System at Pulversied Coal-fired Power Plant



- In post-combustion capture system, CO<sub>2</sub> captured from flue gases produced by combustion of fossil fuels and biomass

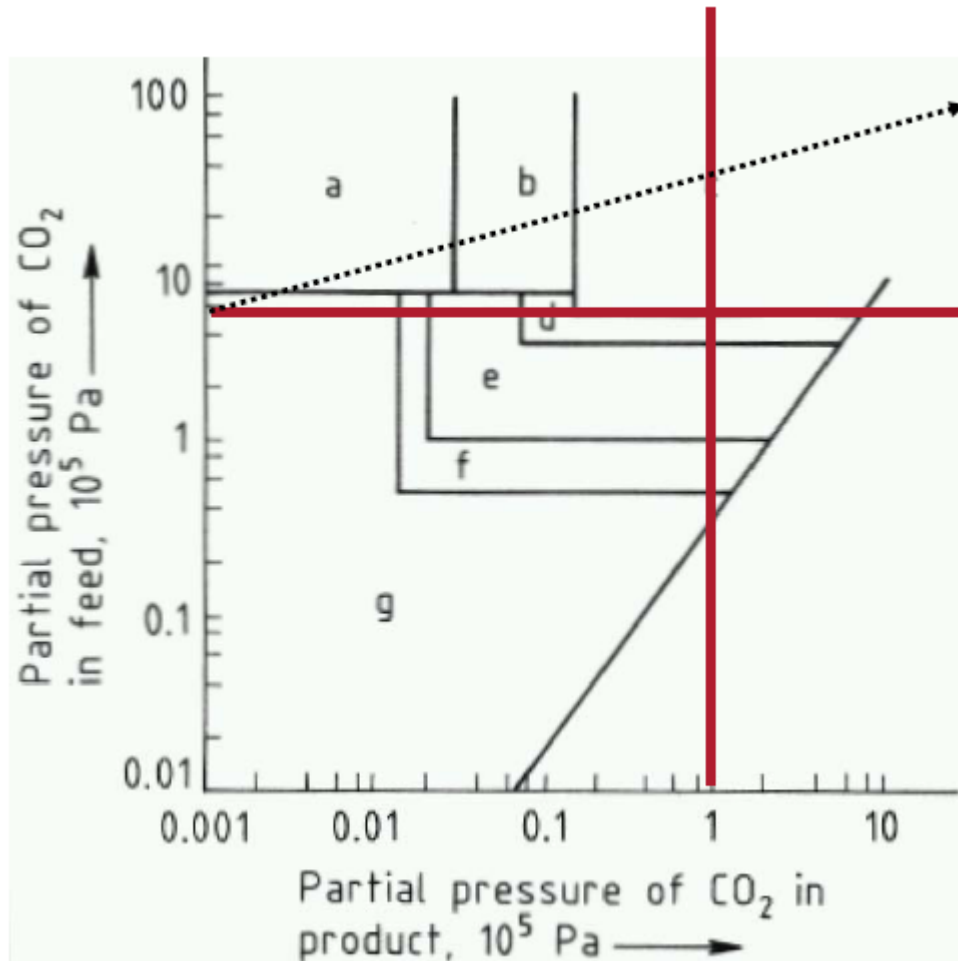
## Conventional Pre-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



- Pre-combustion capture involves reacting a fuel with oxygen or air and/or steam to give mainly a 'synthesis gas (syngas)' or fuel gas' composed of carbon monoxide and hydrogen.
- Hydrogen rich gas at lower temperature before entering gas turbine



## Choosing Absorption Methods for Pre-combustion Capture



Trade-off at  $P_{\text{CO}_2} \sim 5$  bara between solvent loading/recirculation (lean vs. rich) and equipment sizing

Selection of suitable CO<sub>2</sub> absorption process:

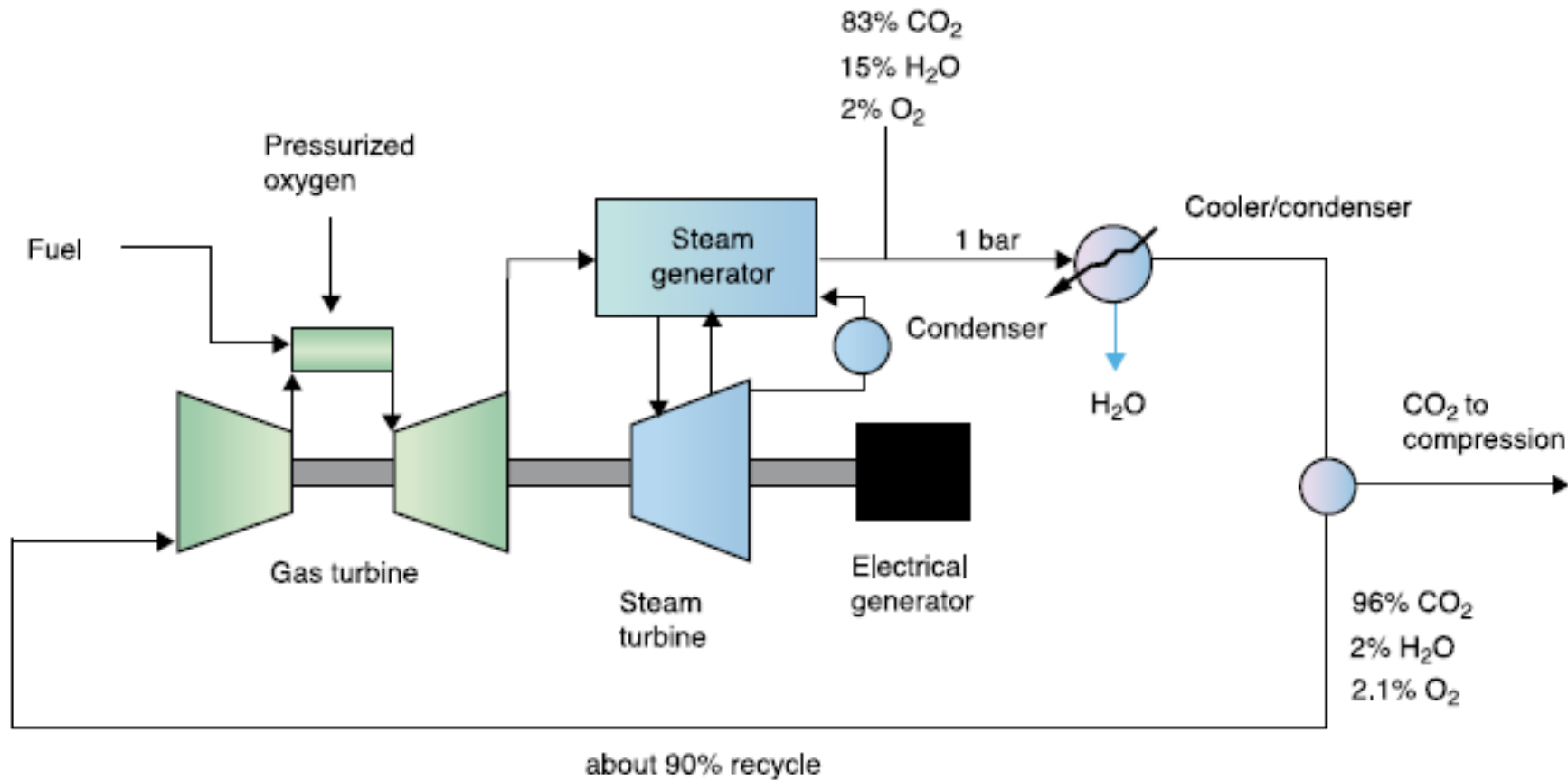
- a) Physical solvent + amine
- b) Physical solvent, physical solvent + amine or activated hot K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>
- c) Physical solvent
- d) Physical solvent or activated hot K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>
- e) Activated hot K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> or concentrated amine
- f) Activated hot K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> or amine
- g) Amine

## Common solvents for CO<sub>2</sub> Removal at pre-combustion Capture Process

Solvent name	Type	Chemical name	Vendors
Rectisol	Physical	Methanol	Lurgi and Linde, Germany Lotepro Corporation, USA
Purisol	Physical	N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP)	Lurgi, Germany
Selexol	Physical	Dimethyl ethers of polyethylene glycol (DMPEG)	Union Carbide, USA
Benfield	Chemical	Potassium carbonate	UOP
MEA	Chemical	Monoethanolamine	Various
MDEA	Chemical	Methyldiethylamine	BASF and others
Sulfinol	Chemical	Tetrahydrothiophene 1,1-dioxide (Sulfolane), an alkaloamine and water	Shell

- Low partial CO<sub>2</sub> pressure: chemical solvents,  
e.g. MEA, MDEA
- High partial CO<sub>2</sub> pressure: physical solvents,  
e.g. Rectisol, Selexol

# Principle of Oxy-fuel Gas Turbine Combined Cycle

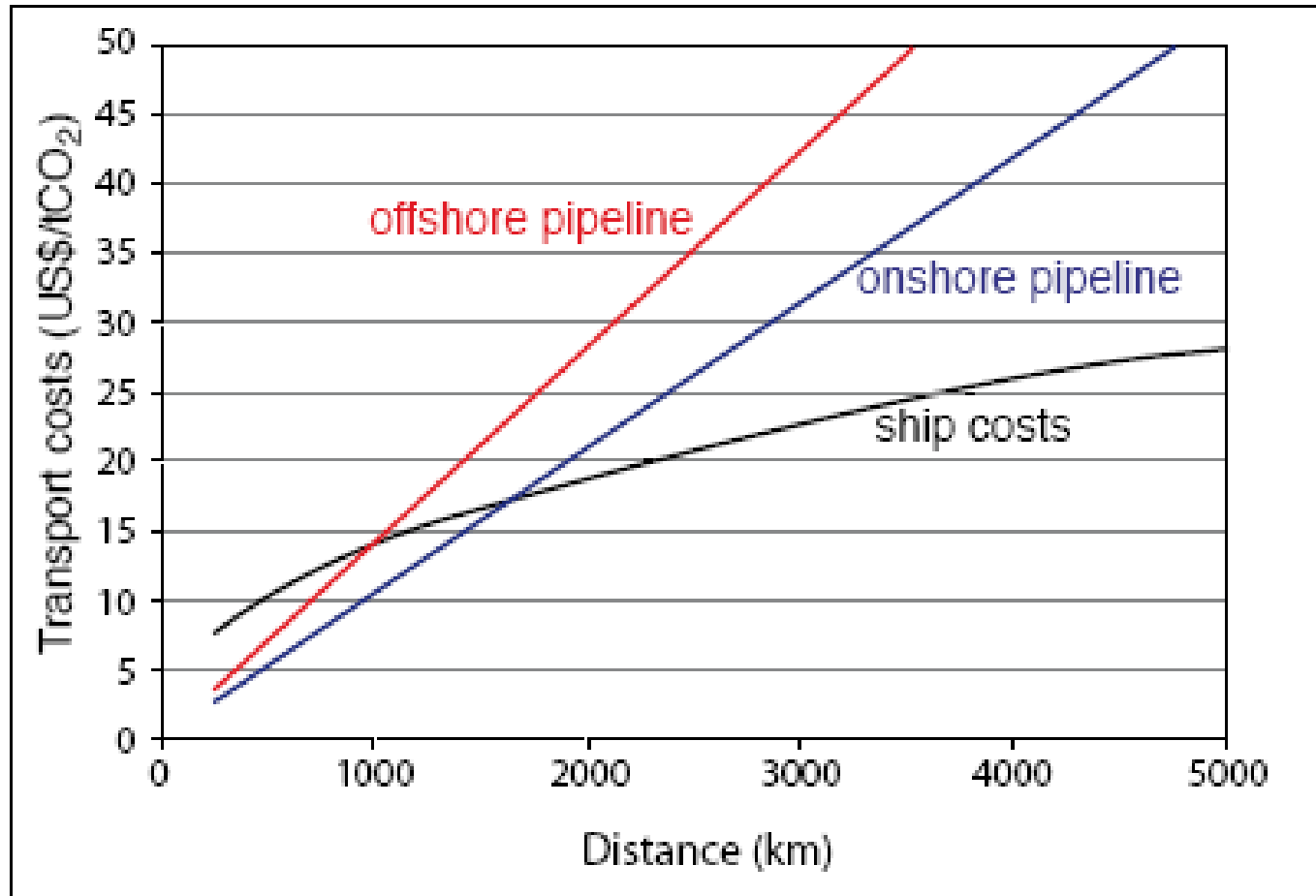


In oxy-fuel combustion, nearly pure oxygen is used for combustion instead of air, resulting in a flue gas that is mainly CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O.

## Transportation Options

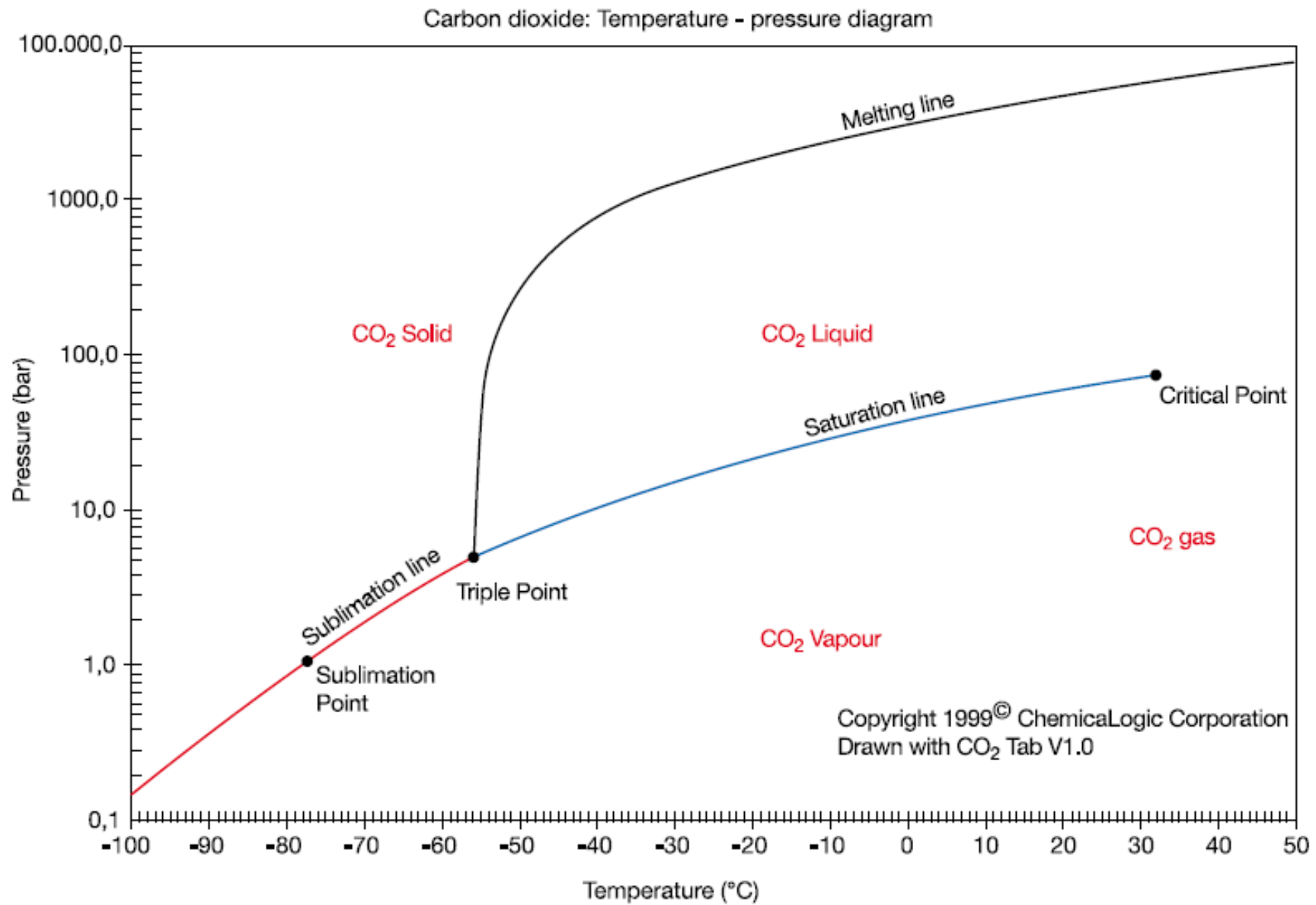
- Pipeline (viable for transporting above 1 million tonne pa)
- Ship (only at certain condition)
- Tanker Vehicle (only for moving small amount of CO<sub>2</sub>, e.g. 50,000 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> from capture pilot pa)

## Costs of CO<sub>2</sub> Transportation Options



# CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline in North America





Dated back 1977

## ON GEOENGINEERING AND THE CO<sub>2</sub> PROBLEM

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**Abstract.** The problem of CO<sub>2</sub> control in the atmosphere is tackled by proposing a kind of 'fuel cycle' for fossil fuels where CO<sub>2</sub> is partially or totally collected at certain transformation points and properly disposed of.

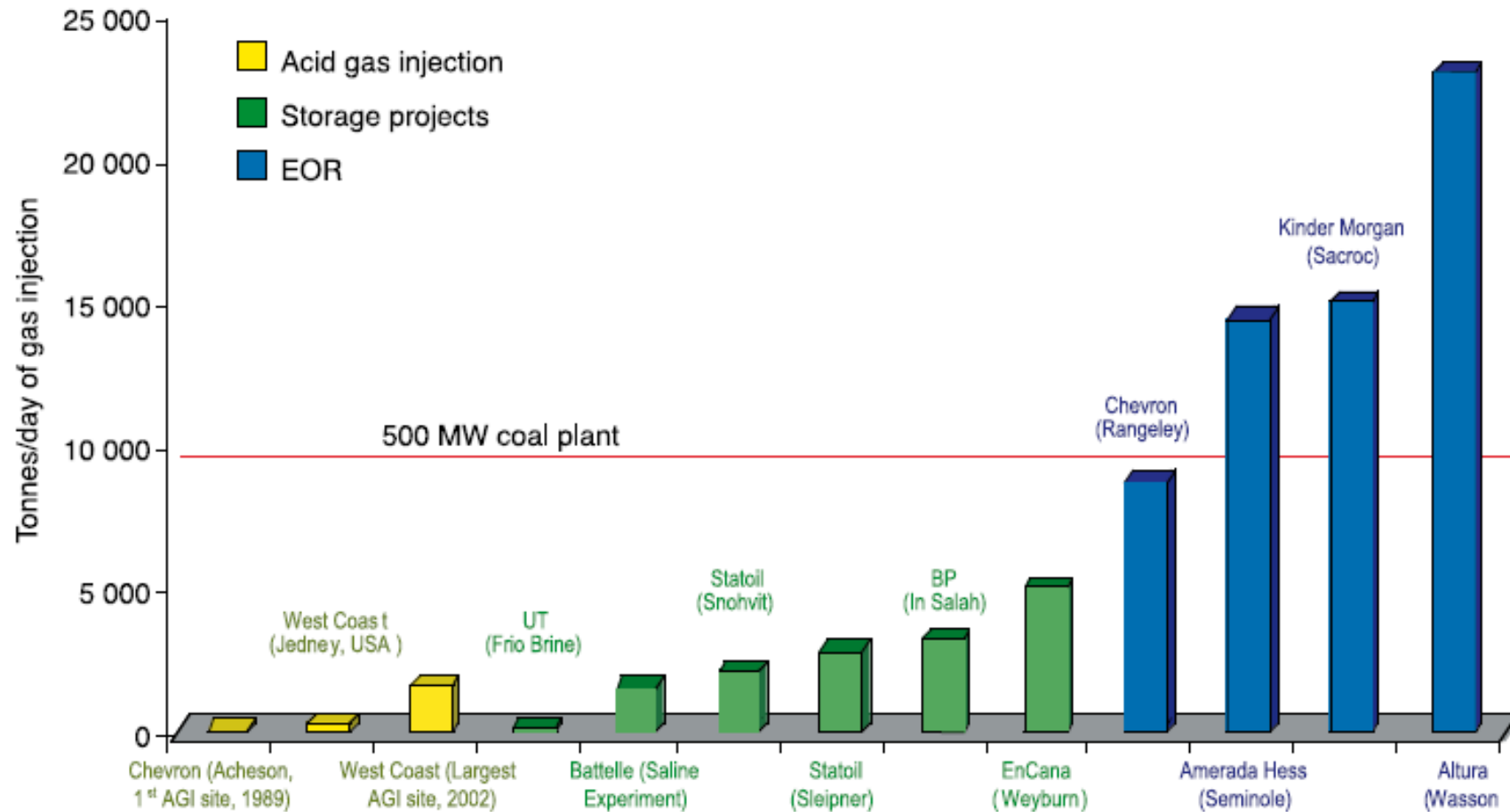
CO<sub>2</sub> is disposed of by injection into suitable sinking thermohaline currents that carry and spread it into the deep ocean that has a very large equilibrium capacity.

The Mediterranean undercurrent entering the Atlantic at Gibraltar has been identified as one such current; it would have sufficient capacity to deal with all CO<sub>2</sub> produced in Europe even in the year 2100.



## Storage

Comparison of the magnitude of CO<sub>2</sub> injection activities illustrating that the storage operations from a typical 500-MW coal plant will be the same order of magnitude as existing CO<sub>2</sub> injection operations



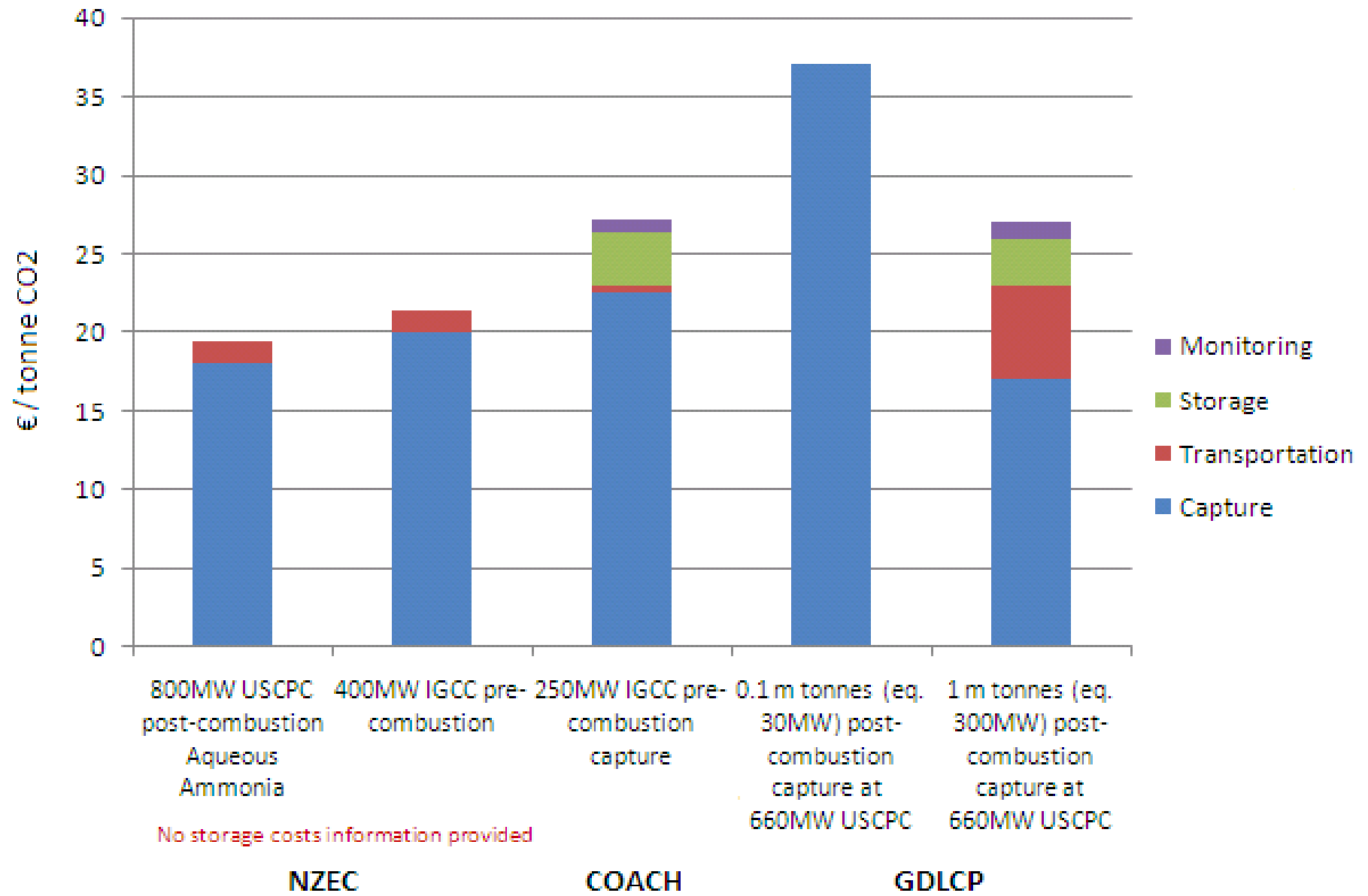
## Capture Cost based on State-of-art Technology in 2005

	Pulverized Coal Power Plant	Natural Gas Combined Cycle Power Plant	Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle Power Plant
Cost of electricity without CCS (US\$ MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	43-52	31-50	41-61
<b>Power plant with capture</b>			
Increased Fuel Requirement (%)	24-40	11-22	14-25
CO <sub>2</sub> captured (kg MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	820-970	360-410	670-940
CO <sub>2</sub> avoided (kg MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	620-700	300-320	590-730
% CO <sub>2</sub> avoided	81-88	83-88	81-91
<b>Power plant with capture and geological storage<sup>6</sup></b>			
Cost of electricity (US\$ MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	63-99	43-77	55-91
Electricity cost increase (US\$ MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	19-47	12-29	10-32
% increase	43-91	37-85	21-78
Mitigation cost (US\$/tCO <sub>2</sub> avoided)	30-71	38-91	14-53
Mitigation cost (US\$/tC avoided)	110-260	140-330	51-200
<b>Power plant with capture and enhanced oil recovery<sup>7</sup></b>			
Cost of electricity (US\$ MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	49-81	37-70	40-75
Electricity cost increase (US\$ MWh <sup>-1</sup> )	5-29	6-22	(-5)-19
% increase	12-57	19-63	(-10)-46
Mitigation cost (US\$/tCO <sub>2</sub> avoided)	9-44	19-68	(-7)-31
Mitigation cost (US\$/tC avoided)	31-160	71-250	(-25)-120

## Mitigation cost for different combination of CCS technologies

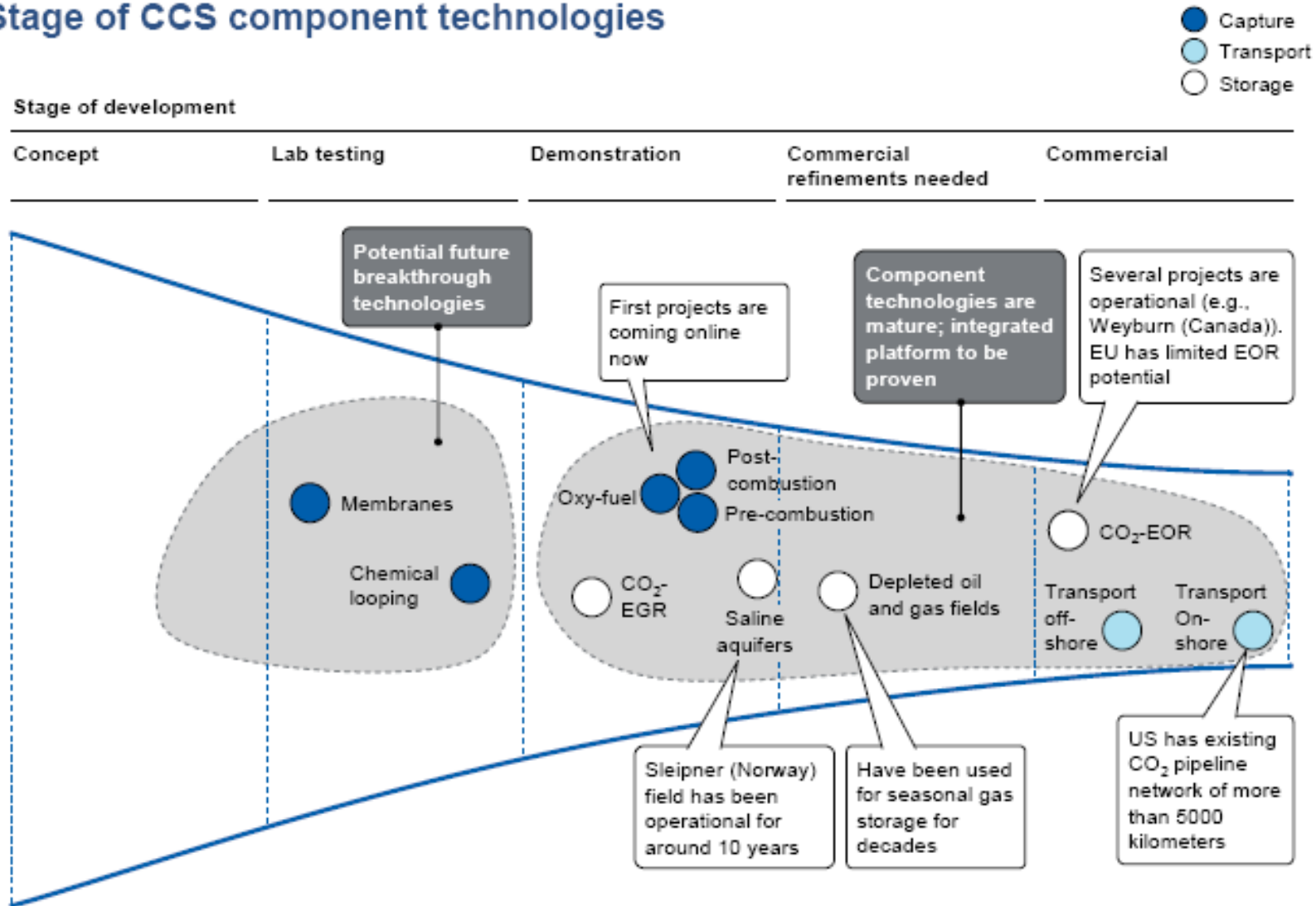
	NGCC Reference Plant		PC Reference Plant	
	US\$/tCO <sub>2</sub> avoided	US\$/tC avoided	US\$/tCO <sub>2</sub> avoided	US\$/tC avoided
<b>Power plant with capture and geological storage</b>				
NGCC	40-90	140-330	20-60	80-220
PC	70-270	260-980	30-70	110-260
IGCC	40-220	150-790	20-70	80-260
<b>Power plant with capture and EOR</b>				
NGCC	20-70	70-250	1-30	4-130
PC	50-240	180-890	10-40	30-160
IGCC	20 – 190	80 – 710	1 – 40	4 – 160

**Estimates for CCS Costs in China**



Source: NZEC, COACH, LINKSCHINA Research

## Stage of CCS component technologies

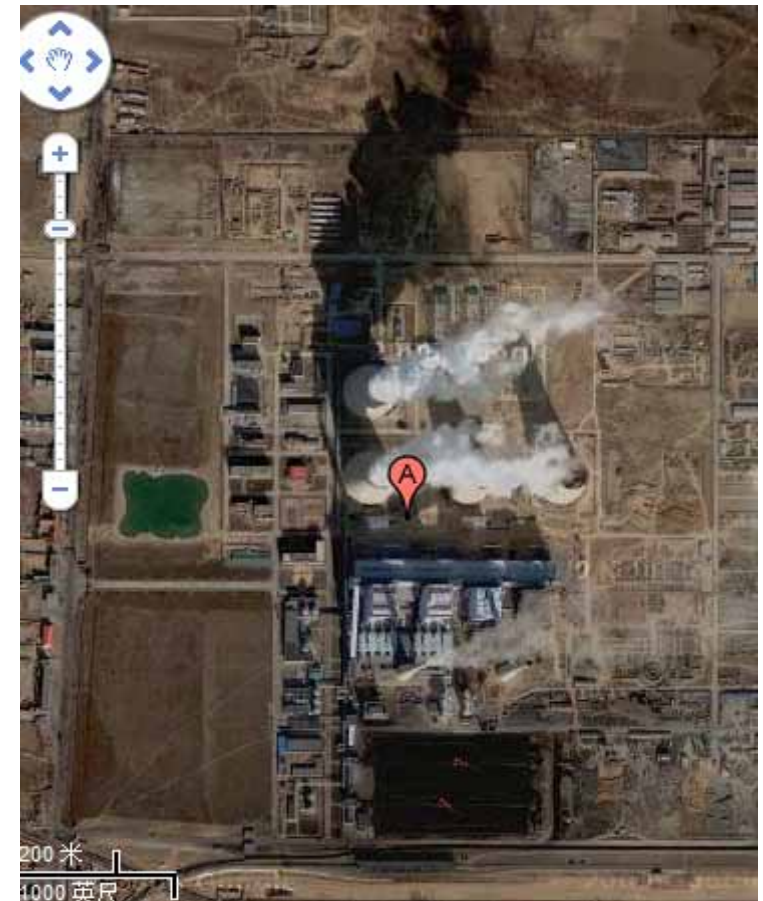


Source: Interviews; Team analysis

Capture Ready

## Typical Layout of Chinese Power Plants

Source: LinksChina 2009



Capture Ready



## Existing Plants Retrofitting potential - A survey of 103 power plants in China

Source: LinksChina, 2009





## The Gleneagles Communiqué, July 2005

### 14. We will work to accelerate the development and commercialization of Carbon Capture and Storage technology by:

(a) endorsing the objectives and activities of the Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum (CSLF), and encouraging the Forum to work with broader civil society and to address the barriers to the public acceptability of CCS technology;

(b) inviting the IEA to work with the CSLF to hold a workshop on short-term opportunities for CCS in the fossil fuel sector, including from Enhanced Oil Recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> removal from natural gas production;

(c) inviting the IEA to work with the CSLF to study definitions, costs, and scope for 'capture ready' plant and consider economic incentives;

(d) collaborating with key developing countries to research options for geological CO<sub>2</sub> storage; and

(e) working with industry and with national and international research programmes and partnerships to explore the potential of CCS technologies, including with developing countries.

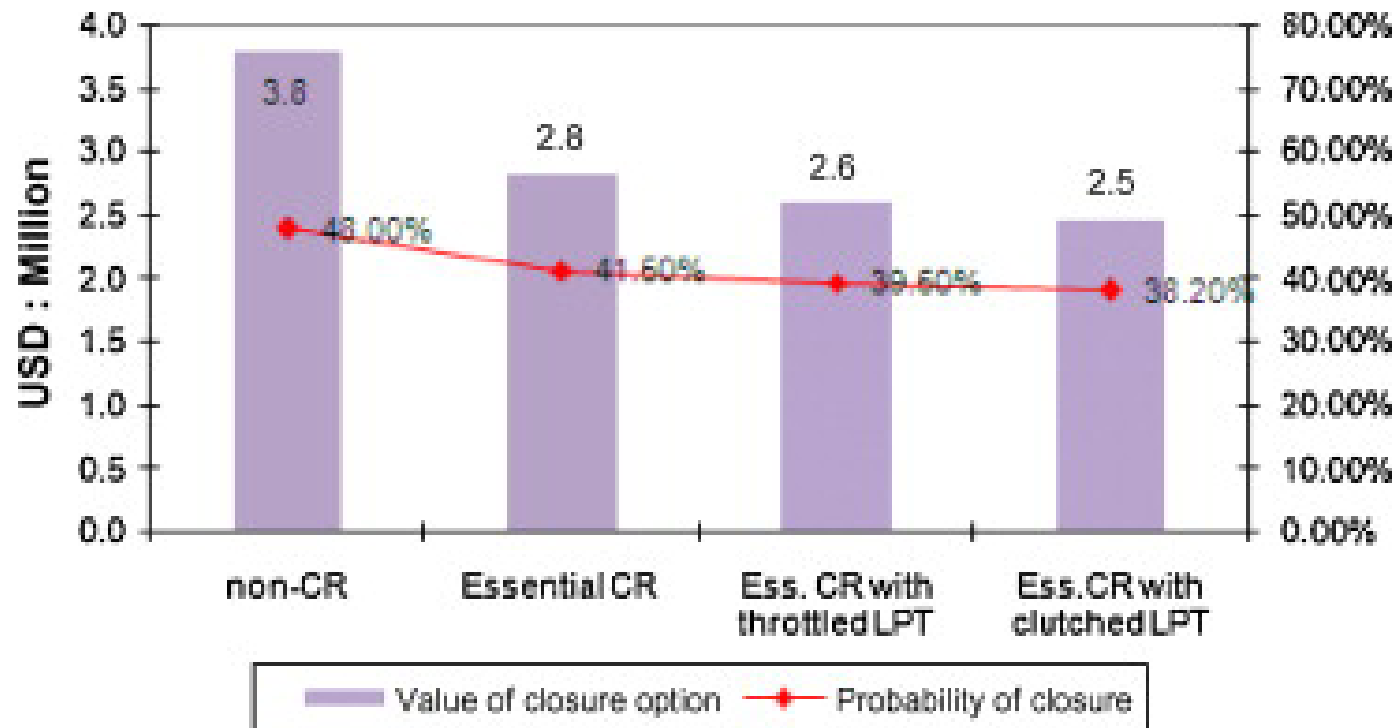


At the request of the Gleneagles G8 summit, the IEA Greenhouse Gas Programme published a study which identified the following key elements for CCR power plants:

- ▶ A CO<sub>2</sub> capture ready power plant is a plant which can include CO<sub>2</sub> capture when the necessary regulatory or economic drivers are in place. The aim of building plants that are capturing ready is to reduce the risk of stranded assets and carbon lock-in.
  
- ▶ Developers of capture ready plants should take responsibility for ensuring that all known factors in their control that would prevent installation and operation of CO<sub>2</sub> capture have been identified and eliminated. This might include:
  - ⊙ A study of options for CO<sub>2</sub> captures retrofit and potential pre-investments
  - ⊙ Inclusion of sufficient space and access for the additional facilities
  - ⊙ Identification of reasonable routes to storage of CO<sub>2</sub> Competent authorities involved in permitting power plants should be provided with sufficient information to be able to judge whether the developer has met these criteria.

## Capture Ready investment reduces closure possibility

- A study of CO<sub>2</sub> capture ready at Chinese coal-fired power plant



**All new power plants above 300MW  
must be capture ready**



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## Carbon Capture Readiness (CCR)

A guidance note for Section 36 Electricity Act 1989  
consent applications

[http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what\\_we\\_do/uk\\_supply/energy\\_mix/ccs/ccs.aspx](http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/uk_supply/energy_mix/ccs/ccs.aspx)

# Schematic of two-tranche model for demonstration and deployment

