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CO₂ Utilization beyond EOR

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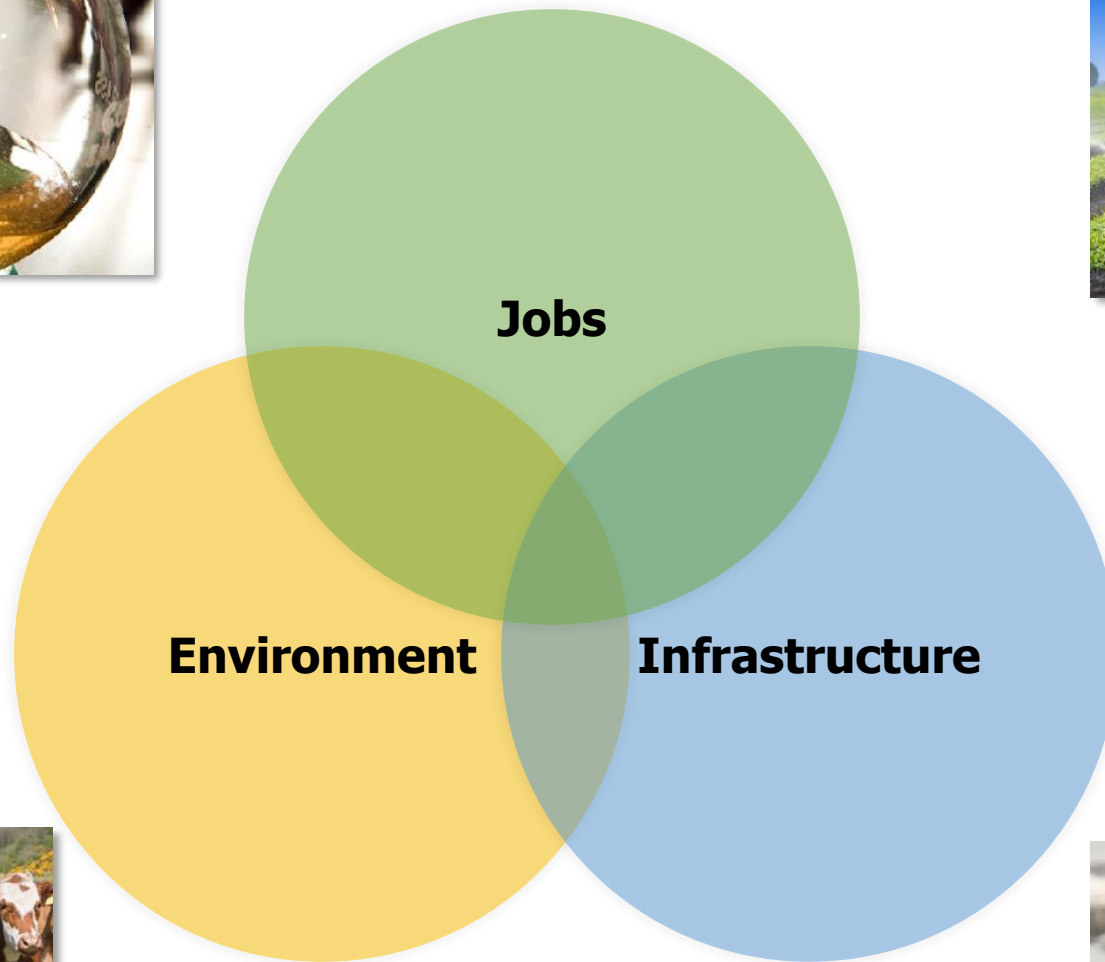
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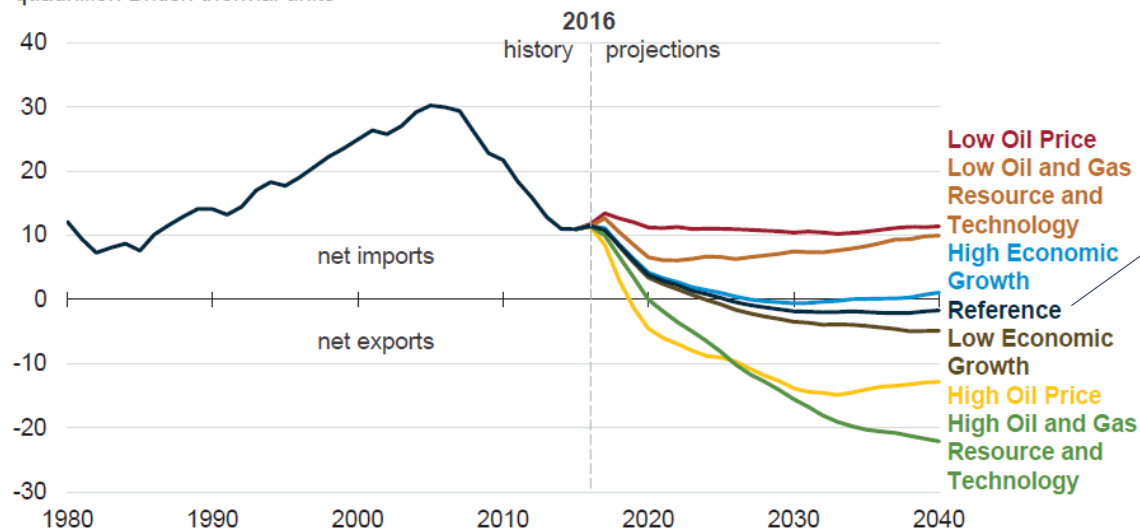
There are many reasons to advance CO₂ Utilization technologies



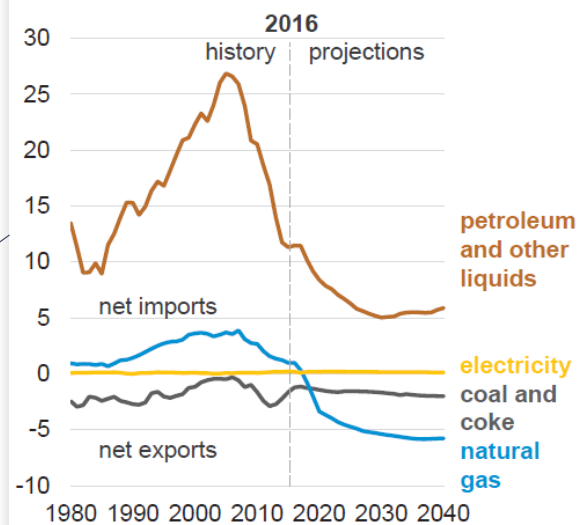
Abundant energy

U.S. is projected to become a net energy exporter in most AEO2017 cases. *EIA Annual Energy Outlook 2017.*

Net energy trade
quadrillion British thermal units



Net energy trade (Reference case)
quadrillion British thermal units

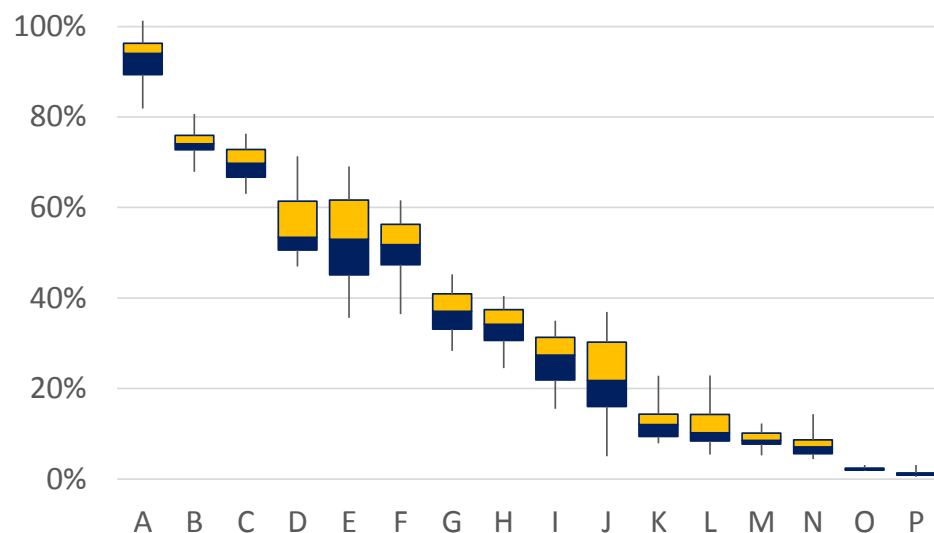


All resources but electricity may become net exports.

Can efficient U.S. electricity be exported by embedding into salable products derived from CO₂?

Abundant electric capacity

Monthly Capacity Factors for Utility Scale Electricity Generators 2015-16. *EIA, Electric Power Monthly (Table 6.7, April 2017).*



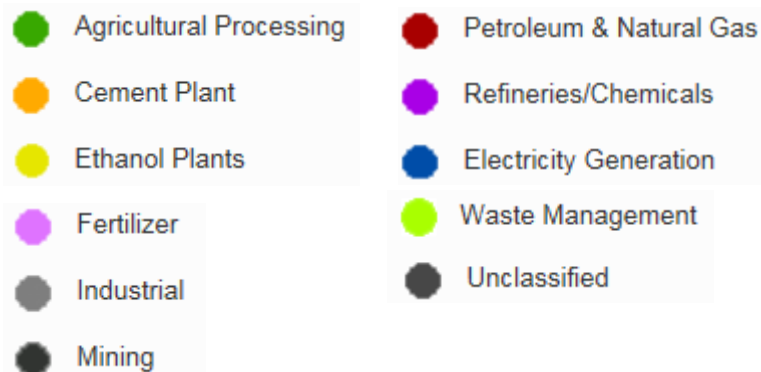
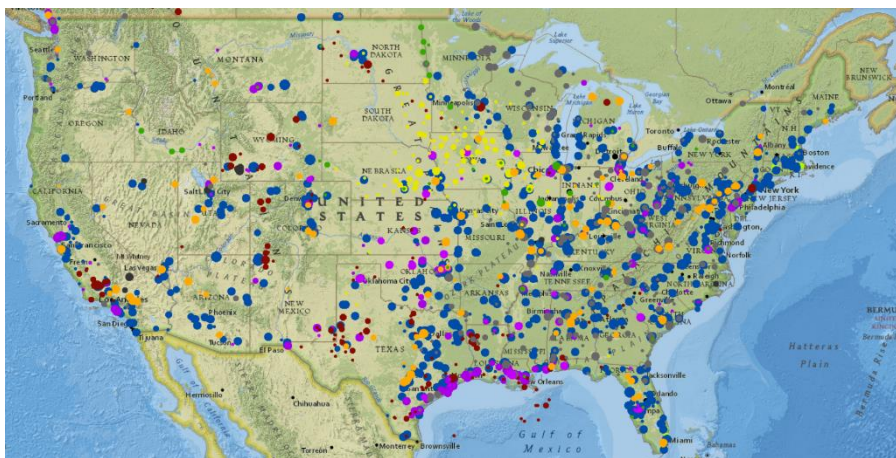
- (A) nuclear
- (B) geothermal
- (C) landfill gas and muni solid
- (D) natural gas fired combined cycle
- (E) coal
- (F) other biomass incl. wood
- (G) conv. hydropower
- (H) wind
- (I) solar PV
- (J) solar thermal
- (K) steam turbine, gas
- (L) steam turbine, petroleum
- (M) internal combustion engine, gas
- (N) combustion turbine, gas
- (O) internal combustion engine, petroleum
- (P) combustion turbine, petroleum

U.S. infrastructure has excess generation capacity to the extent that even new natural gas plants cannot become economical in some areas (e.g. *Hughes vs. Talen Energy Marketing*).

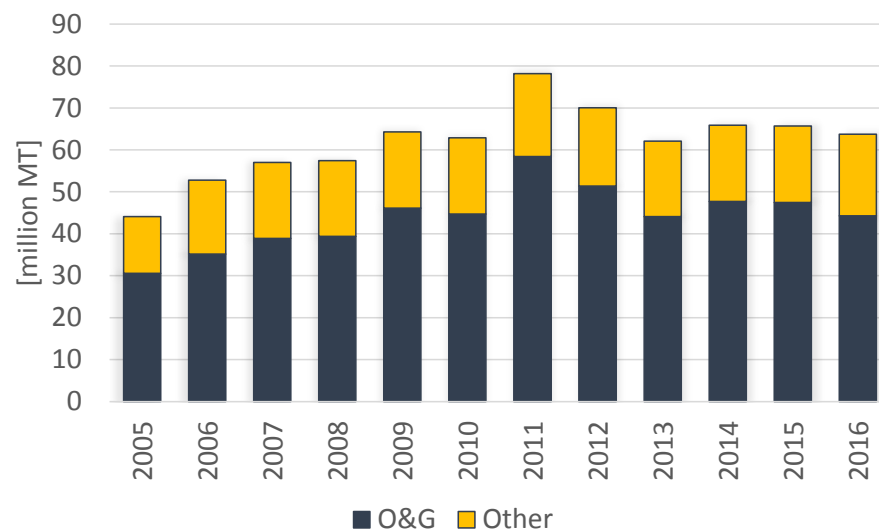
Can the existing fleet be repurposed to service an export economy?

U.S. CO₂ sources and use

U.S. CO₂ Sources. *Many point sources provide high to low purity CO₂. The total CO₂ supply was 5,414 million MT in 2015. Source: NatCarb.*



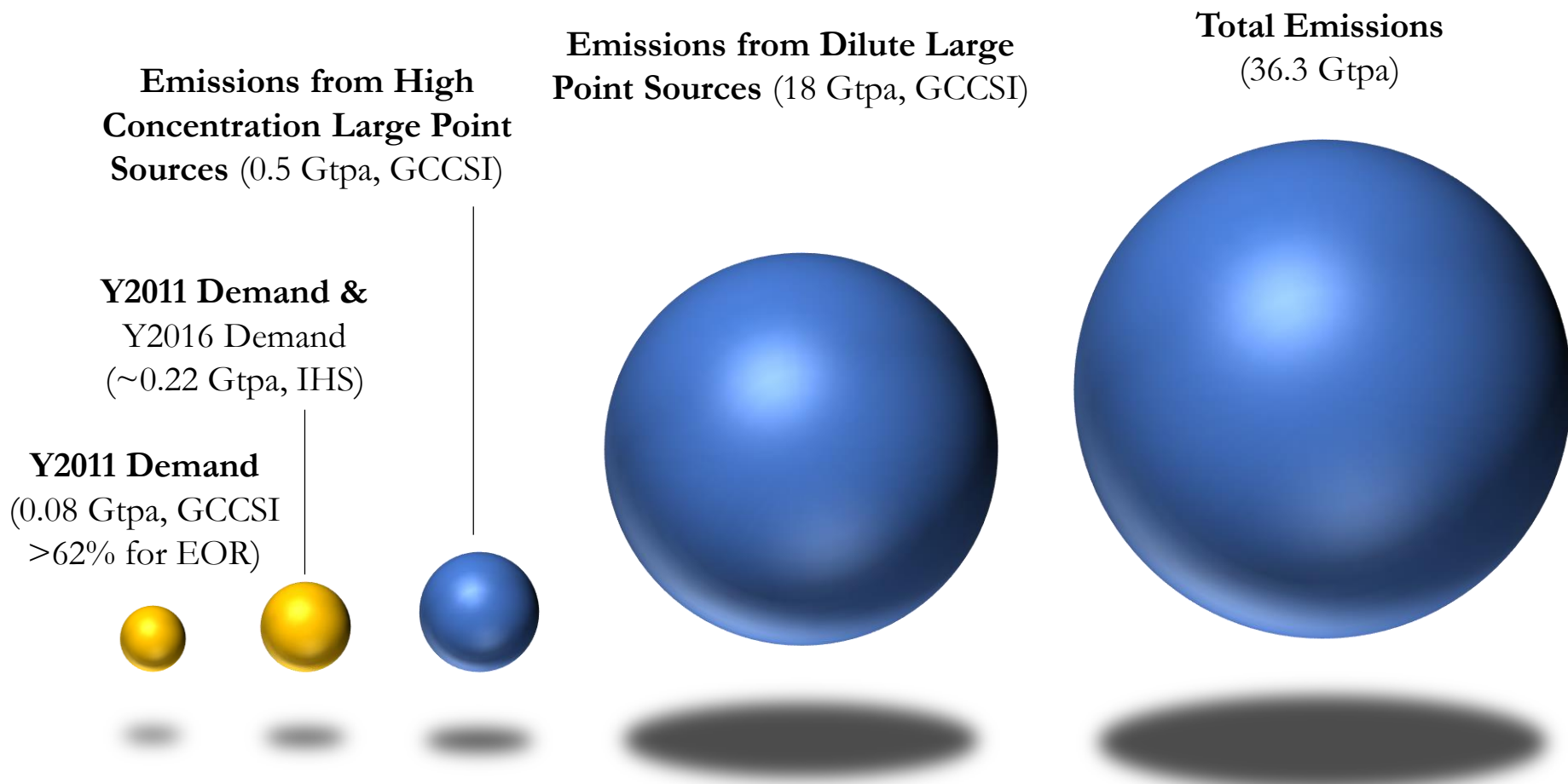
U.S. CO₂ Consumption. *The majority of CO₂ is used in the Oil & Gas sector, mostly by pipeline. Adapted from IHS Markit sources.*



NETL, NatCarb database: <http://natcarb.netl.doe.gov>

Bala Suresh, IHS Markit, "Global Market for Carbon Dioxide", presented at 8th Carbon Dioxide Utilization Summit (Feb 2017)

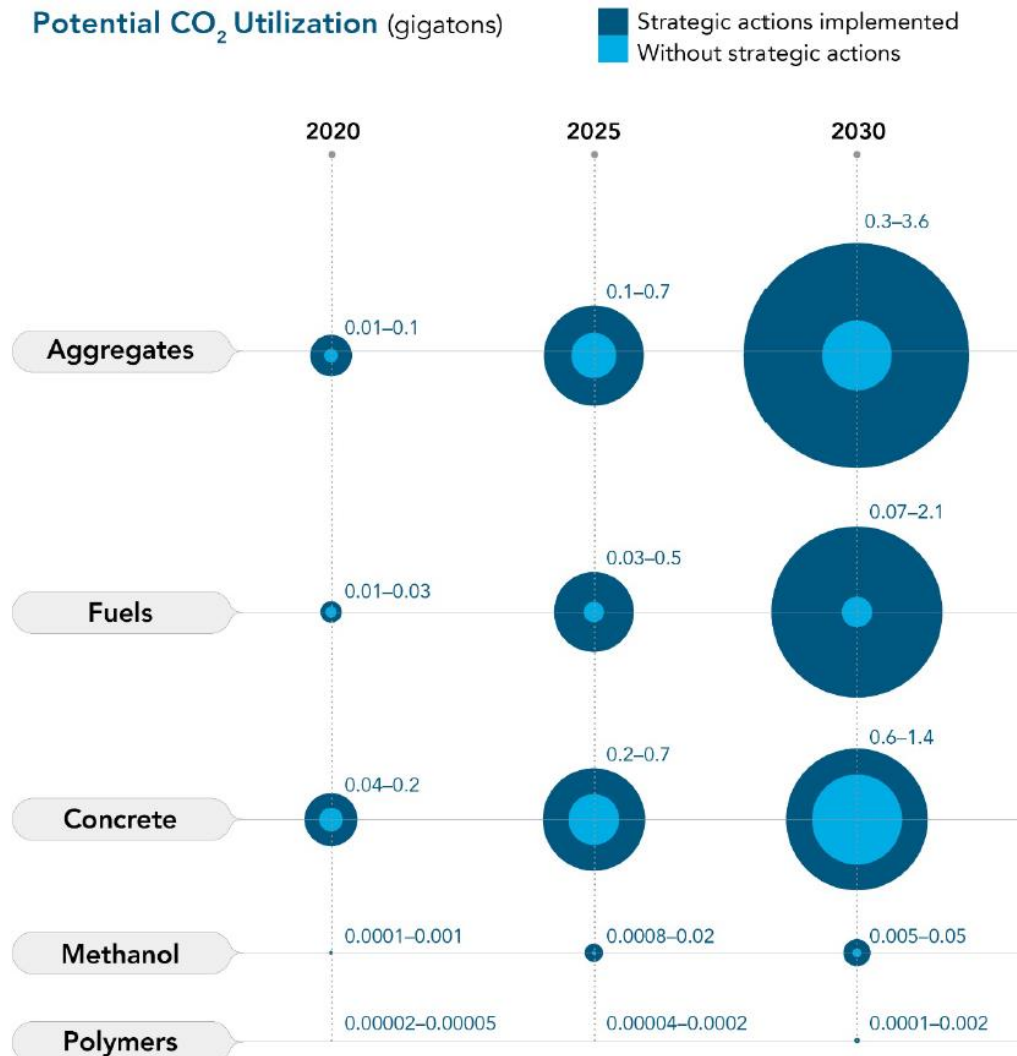
Global CO₂ demand and supply



GCCSI, Parsons Brinckerhoff, "Accelerating the Uptake of CCS: industrial use of carbon dioxide" (Dec 2011);
Bala Suresh, IHS Markit, "Global Market for Carbon Dioxide", presented at 8th Carbon Dioxide Utilization Summit (Feb 2017)

An upper bound for CO₂ markets?

Global CO₂ Initiative provides the following perspective,

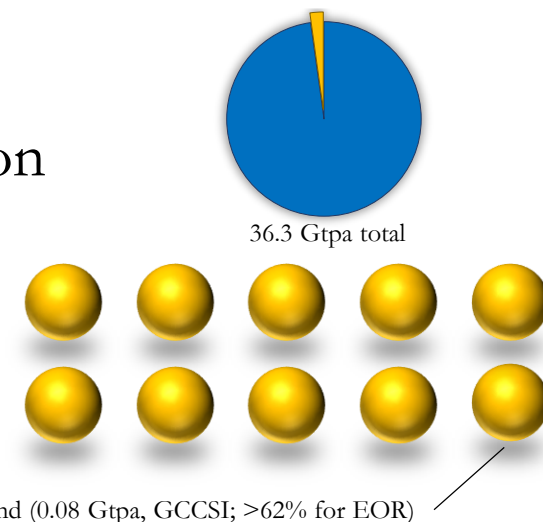


- “CO₂U has the potential to utilize 7 billion metric tons of CO₂ per year by 2030”
- Revenue potential estimated at >\$800 billion by 2030
- “This is an upper bound estimate, assuming zero carbon energy is used in all production processes”
- “To the extent that climate benefits are a goal of those promoting CO₂U products, life cycle analysis (LCA) is essential.”
- “Considerable work is needed to standardize life cycle analysis methodologies for CO₂U.”

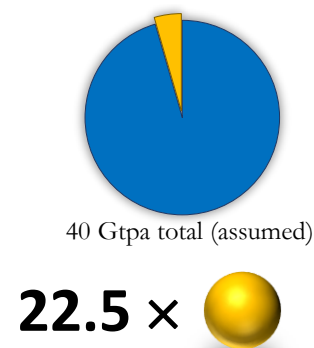
Global CO₂ Initiative, “Carbon Dioxide Utilization (CO₂U)--ICEF Roadmap 1.0” (Nov 2016)

Upper bound for Polymers

“If CO₂ was to be used as the source of all carbon in the global annual production of plastics (311 million tonnes (MT) per year in 2014), it would consume about 0.8 GtCO₂ per year.”

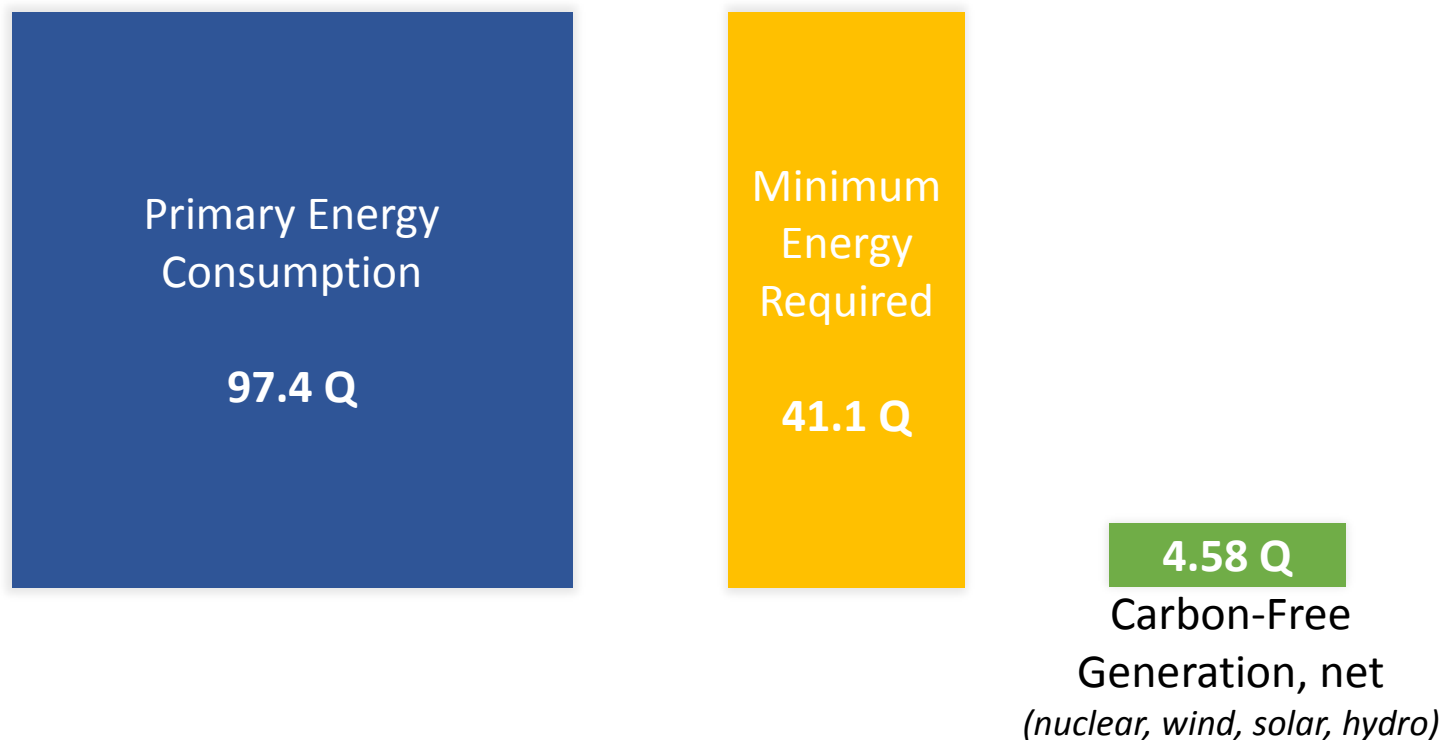


“By 2030, the annual global plastic production is expected to rise to 700 MT, which would require roughly 490 MtC/yr or about 1.8 GtCO₂/yr.”



Limitations of Existing Renewable and Nuclear Energy

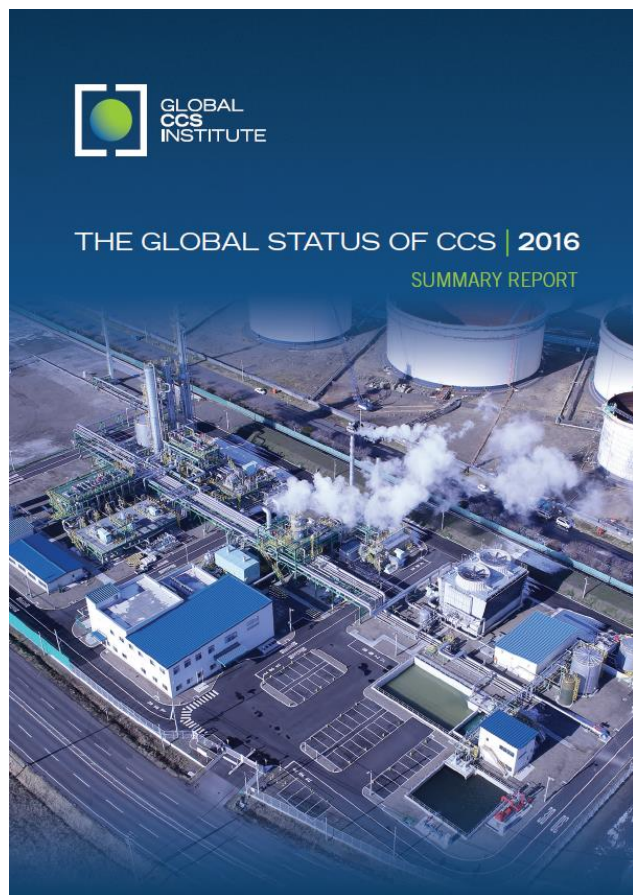
If CO₂ was converted into barrel of oil equivalents, and so used to replace the barrels of oil consumed in the US in Y2015,



U.S. renewable and nuclear generation would need expand by a minimum of 897% in order to displace crude oil consumption.

Comparison attributed to Final report of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (SEAB) Task Force on CO₂ Utilization
<https://energy.gov/seab/downloads/final-report-task-force-co2-utilization>

Building confidence in CCS



17 large scale projects in “Operate” stage

- 14 EOR + 3 geological storage
- 2 power generation (EOR)

+ 5 currently active in “Execute” stage
(i.e. beyond the final investment decision)



Can non-EOR CO₂ utilization drive a project into the “Operate” stage?

Making CCS look cheaper: high-purity CO₂ sources

High-purity gas streams are easier to separate - makes CCS appear cheaper

Source	Cost Estimate [USD/tCO ₂]
LNG plant	9
Offshore NGP (deep water)	31
Offshore NGP (shallow water)	18-21
Onshore NGP	16-19
Ammonia	4-47
Hydrogen	15
Coal-to-Liquids	<25

More than half of the 17 large-scale projects in “Operate” stage use high purity sources:

- 8 Natural Gas Processing (NGP)
- 2 Ammonia production (fertilizer)
- 2 Hydrogen production



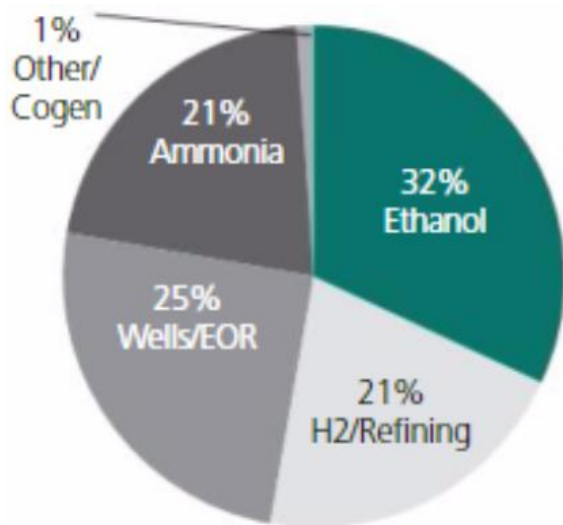
EOR & geological storage only

~31.2 Mtpa CO₂ capacity globally

~21.9 Mtpa CO₂ capacity in the US

Yet >10 Mtpa merchant CO₂ market (non-EOR) in U.S.

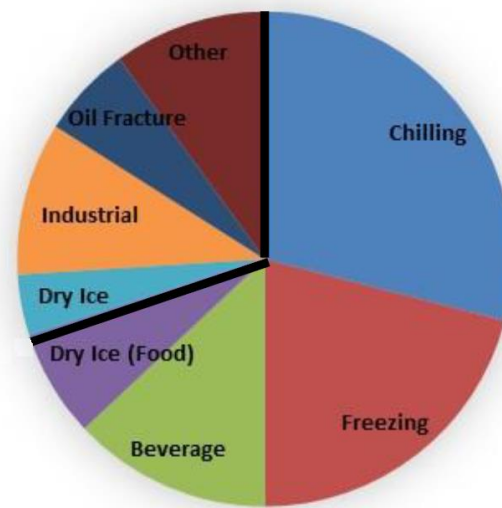
Crude CO₂ sources for the U.S. Merchant Market 2015. *Nameplate capacity ~12.9 Mtpa; capacity factor 86%.*



SOURCE: Maura D. Garvey, published in CryoGas magazine (May 2016)

There is plenty of carbon capture from high-purity CO₂ sources; very little storage.

Merchant demand by End-Use, US: 10 Mtpa (2016). *Food industry drives ~70% of market.*



Adapted from Maura Garvey (presentation Mar 2017); original source JR Campbell & Associates

The majority of CO₂ remains unreacted after being used in the merchant markets.

These commercial approaches rely on carbon capture and are sufficiently addressed by the private sector. Most emit CO₂ and operate on a small scale.

Case Study: exporting excess electricity from Iceland

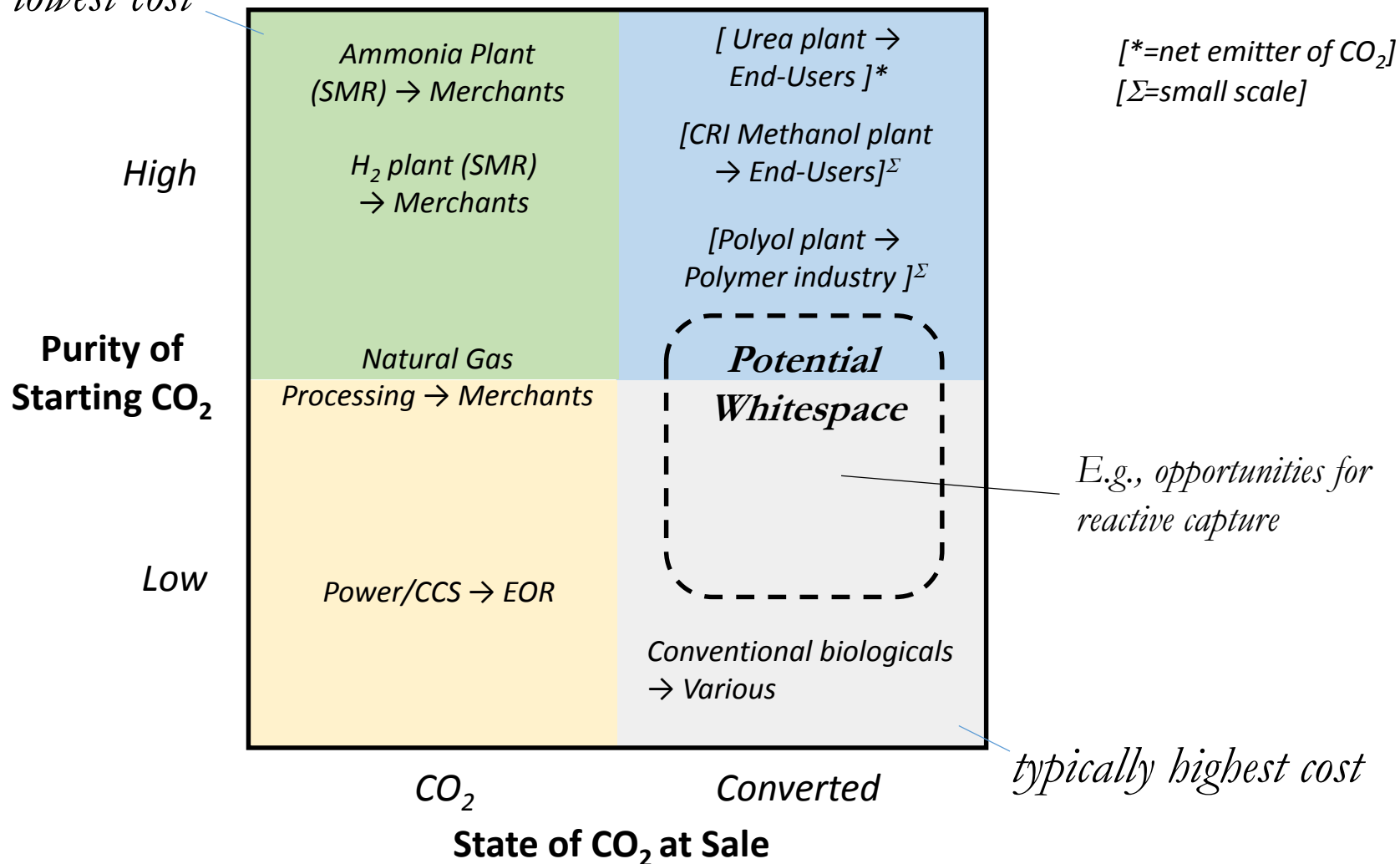
CRI first of its kind Emissions-to-Liquids facility - Iceland



Electricity is used to convert CO₂ from a natural source (at \$7/tonne) to a transportation fuel for a Swedish ferry operator, Stena.

Review and potential whitespace

typically lowest cost

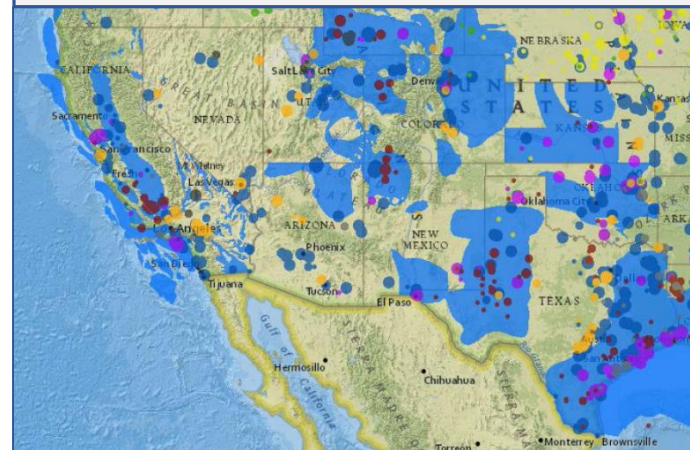


Infrastructure – concepts that may improve resilience

U.S. farmers expect volatile weather to be the norm.
WSJ, May 15, 2017.



Saline formations and CO₂ point sources. NETL, NatCarb 2015.

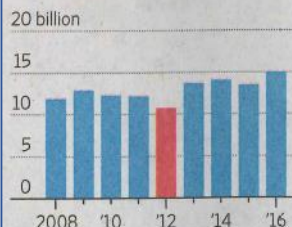


Exemplary variation in crop production. *WSJ, May 15, 2017; USDA data.*

Many farmers have been taking additional steps to counter extreme weather since the 2012 drought caused crop failure in 22 states.

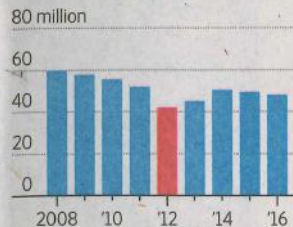
How production of these three crops slumped:

Corn, in bushels

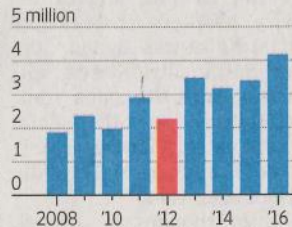


Source: U.S. Agriculture Department

Hay, in tons

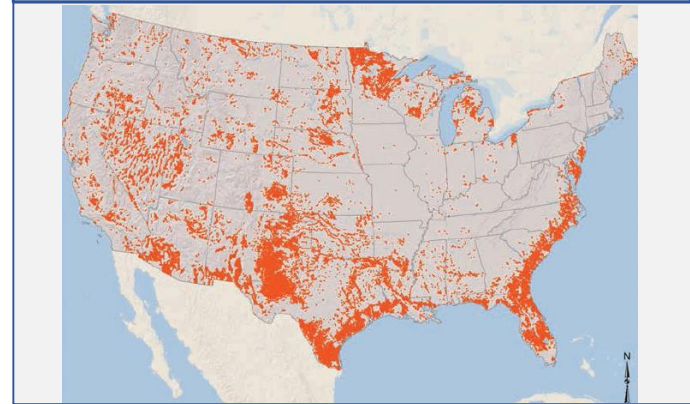


Maple syrup, in gallons



THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

Potentially suitable lands for algae facilities. *EERE, 2016 Billion Ton Report*



CO₂-enhanced water recovery & CO₂-enhanced food production (e.g. algae for animal feed) may supplement current sources in times of need.

Building materials

Aggregates and their qualities are essential to well functioning and durable concrete structures. They can be made by mineralizing CO_2 .



IMAGES: Portland Cement Association

Key Challenges*. Forming stable mineral carbonates is

- highly process-dependent and thus has the potential to emit more CO_2 than is sequestered
- may be constrained to a limited scale due to the supply of make up materials

Key trend: Urbanization



By 2030, 60% of the population will live in an urban world. Less developed regions will add more than 1 billion people to urban centers.

DATA: UN DESA

IMAGE: Erla Zwingle (National Geographic)

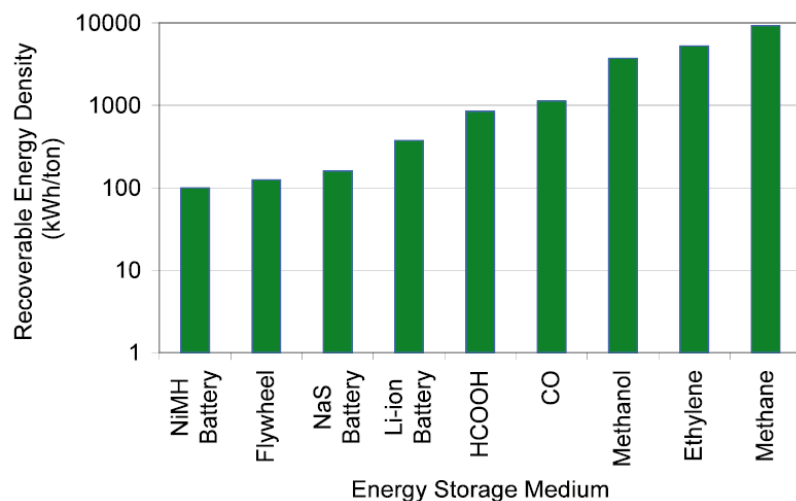
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Erla Zwingle, "Cities -- Challenges for Humanity", National Geographic Magazine, November 2002

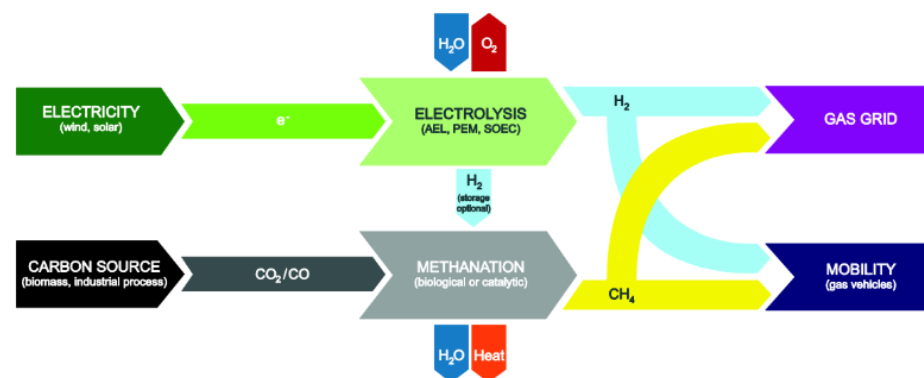
UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Urban and Rural Areas wallchart 2014.

Energy storage

Energy Density. *Products from CO₂ conversion have more energy density than other storage solutions. Source: DNV 2011.*



Power to Gas. *Excess energy can be stored as CH₄ in natural gas pipelines, at least in theory. Source: M Gotz et al.*



The value of deferred investment in transmission and distribution (T&D) is the likely driver for deployment of such technologies instead of arbitrage revenues (at least in current U.S. power markets). Urbanization will continue to be a key trend placing stress on T&D.

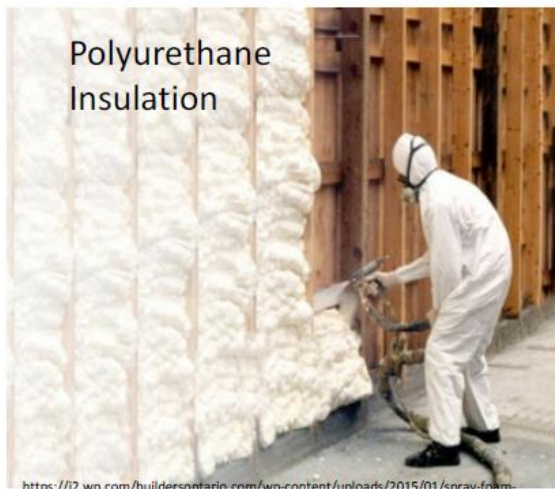
DNV, “Carbon Dioxide Utilization: Electrochemical Conversion of CO₂ – Opportunities and Challenges”, position paper 07 (2011).

M Gotz, J Lefebvre, F Mors, AM Koch, F Graf, S Bajohr, R Reimert, T Kolb, “Renewable Power-to-Gas: a technological and economic review”, Renewable Energy 85 (2016) 1371.

Carbon - the backbone of advanced economies

Advanced Polymers

Polyurethane
Insulation



<https://12.wp.com/buildersontario.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/spray-foam->

Polycarbonate
Windows



Advanced Materials

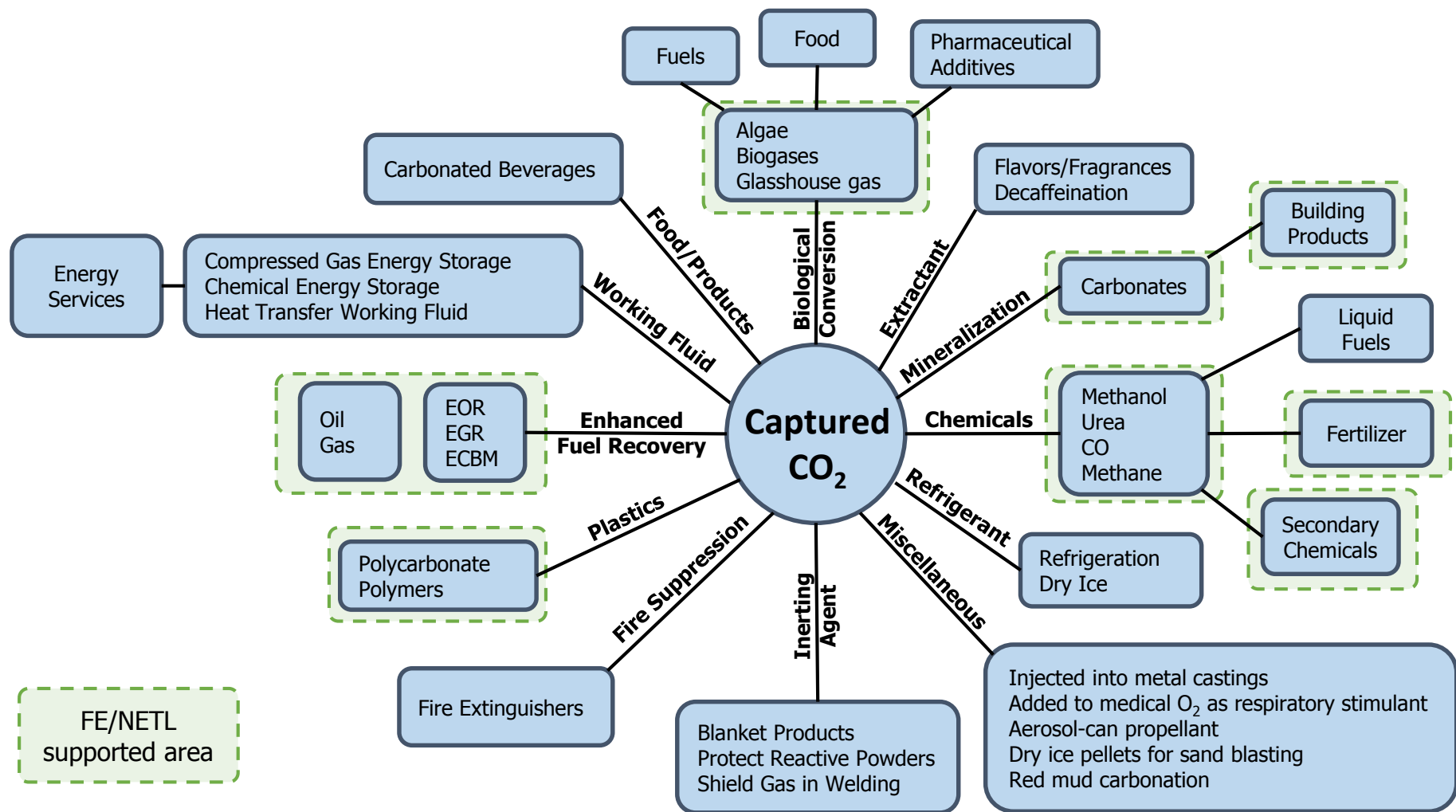
Carbon Fiber I-75 Repair



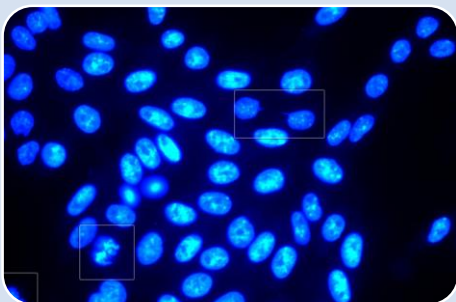
Chemicals and Fuels



Sample of Marketable Products and Services derived from CO₂ Use



\$5.9 million to advance novel CO₂ utilization strategies



Biological
based
concepts



Mineralization
based
concepts

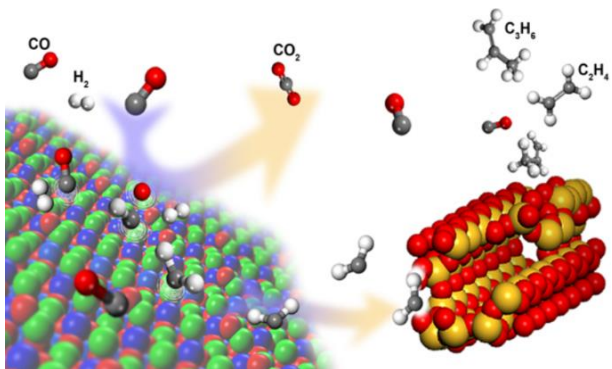


Novel physical
and chemical
processes

OBJECTIVE: to support efforts to develop technologies that utilize CO₂ from coal-fired power plants as a reactant to produce useful products without generating additional CO₂ or greenhouse gas emissions validated via a product Life Cycle Analysis.

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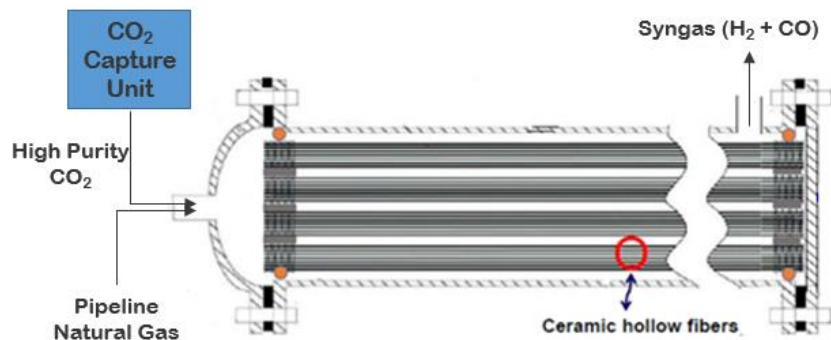
CO₂ to light olefins *via a low temperature process using nano-engineered catalysts.* [Southern Research Institute]



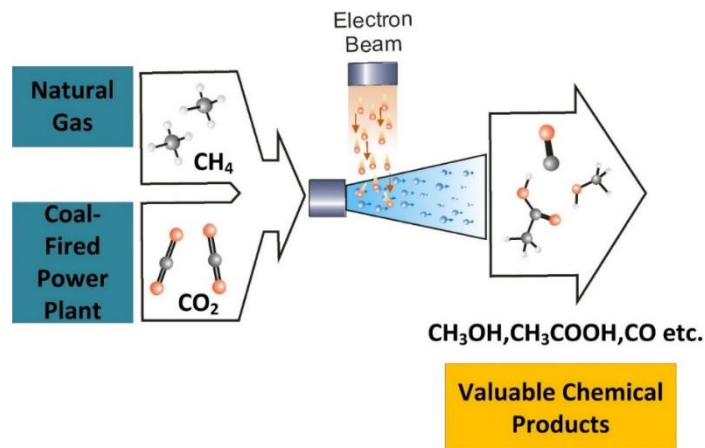
CO₂ to Bioplastics, *beneficial re-use of carbon emissions using microalgae.* Image: pilot-scale cyclic flow photobioreactor at Duke's East Bend Station [U. Kentucky]



Dry reforming *by nano-engineered hollow-fiber supported catalysts in a modular reactor for syngas production.*
[Gas Technology Institute]

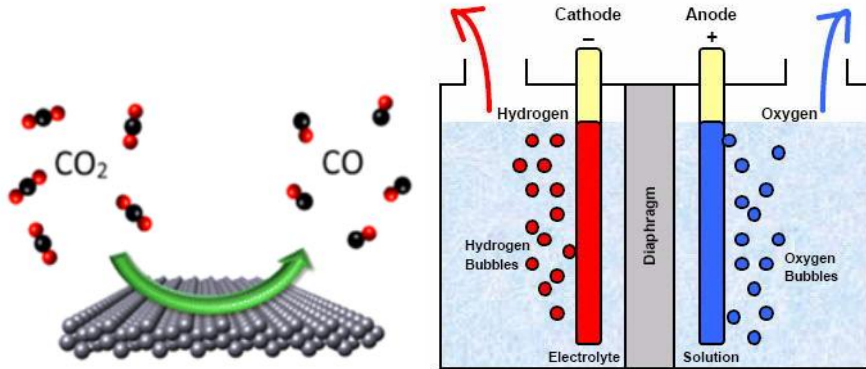


Direct Electron Beam Synthesis *for highly selective conversion of CO₂* [Gas Technology Institute]



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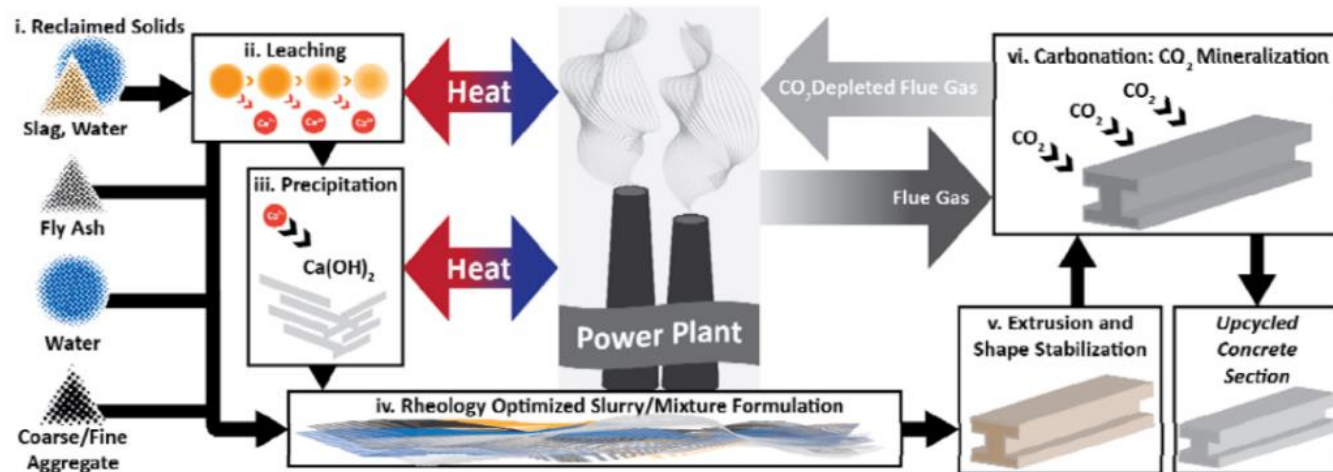
CO₂ to Alcohols, *electrochemical conversion to liquid C2/C3 alcohols using nanostructured catalysts*
[U. Delaware]



CO₂ to Fuel, *mixed-oxide sorbent-based, thermo-catalytic process to convert CO₂ to syngas* [TDA Research]



“CO₂-negative” construction materials *via industrial waste re-processing and power plant heat integration.* [UCLA]



Novomer, Covestro

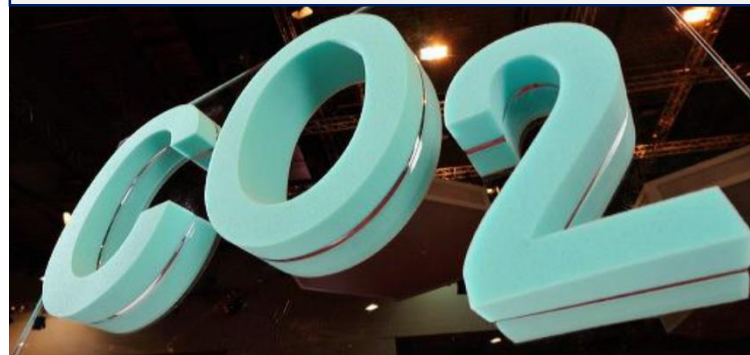
Ford tests foams based on CO₂.

Materials partially consist of CO₂-based polyols; considered for use as insulation.



Covestro inaugurates production facility for foams with 20wt% CO₂.

Plant capacity of 5,000 tons/year.



Novomer received \$20.4 million in ARRA funding from DOE/FE + had lower TRL support from DOE/AMO and NSF.

Thank You

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