

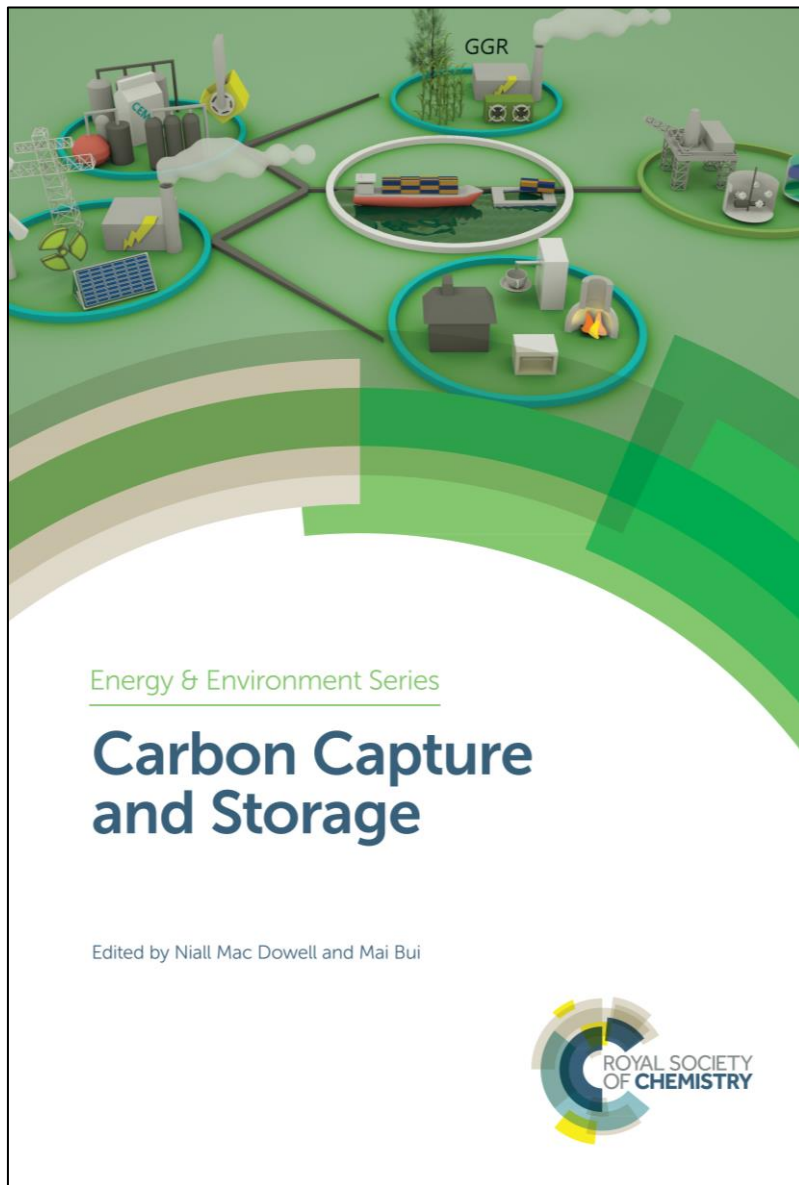
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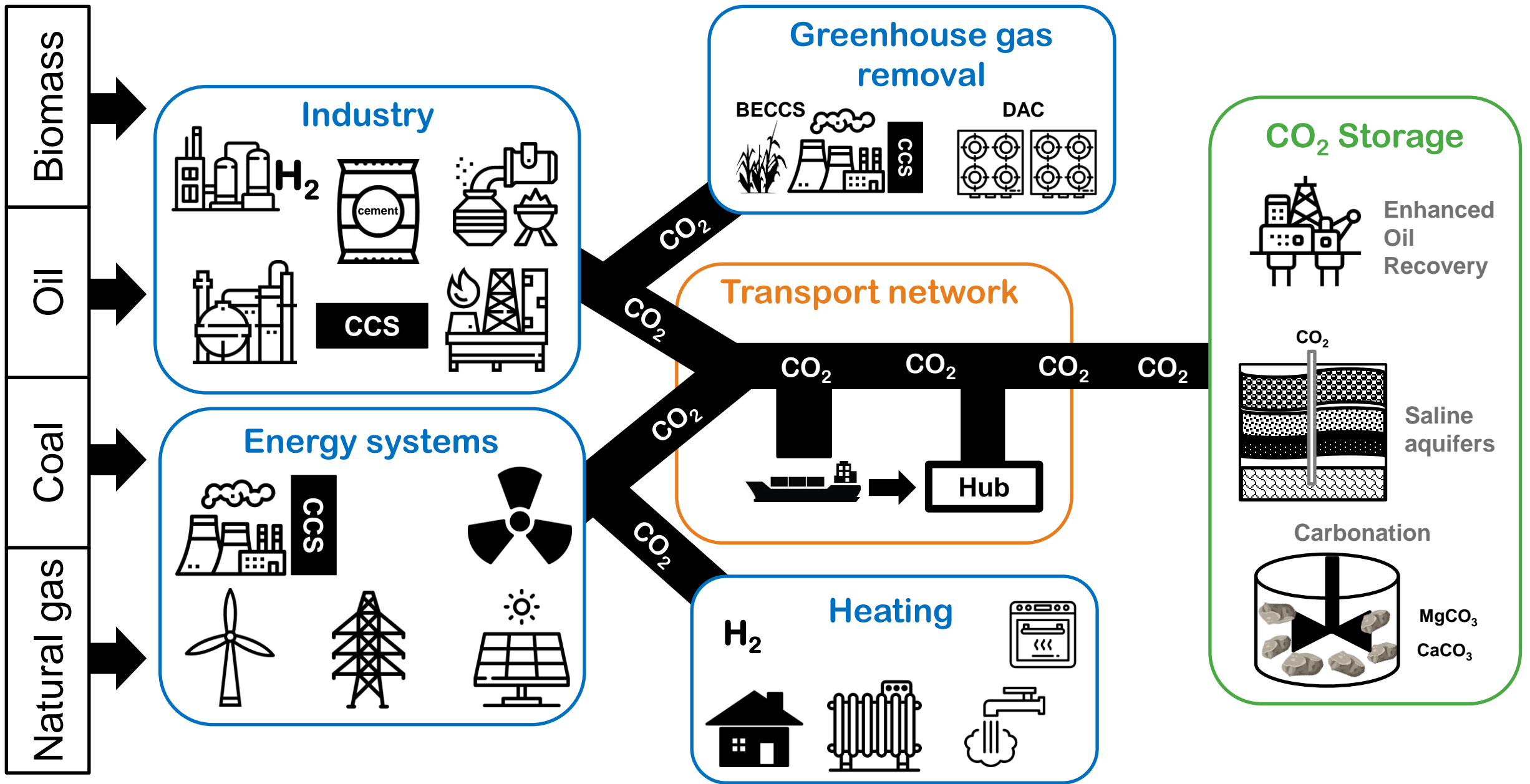
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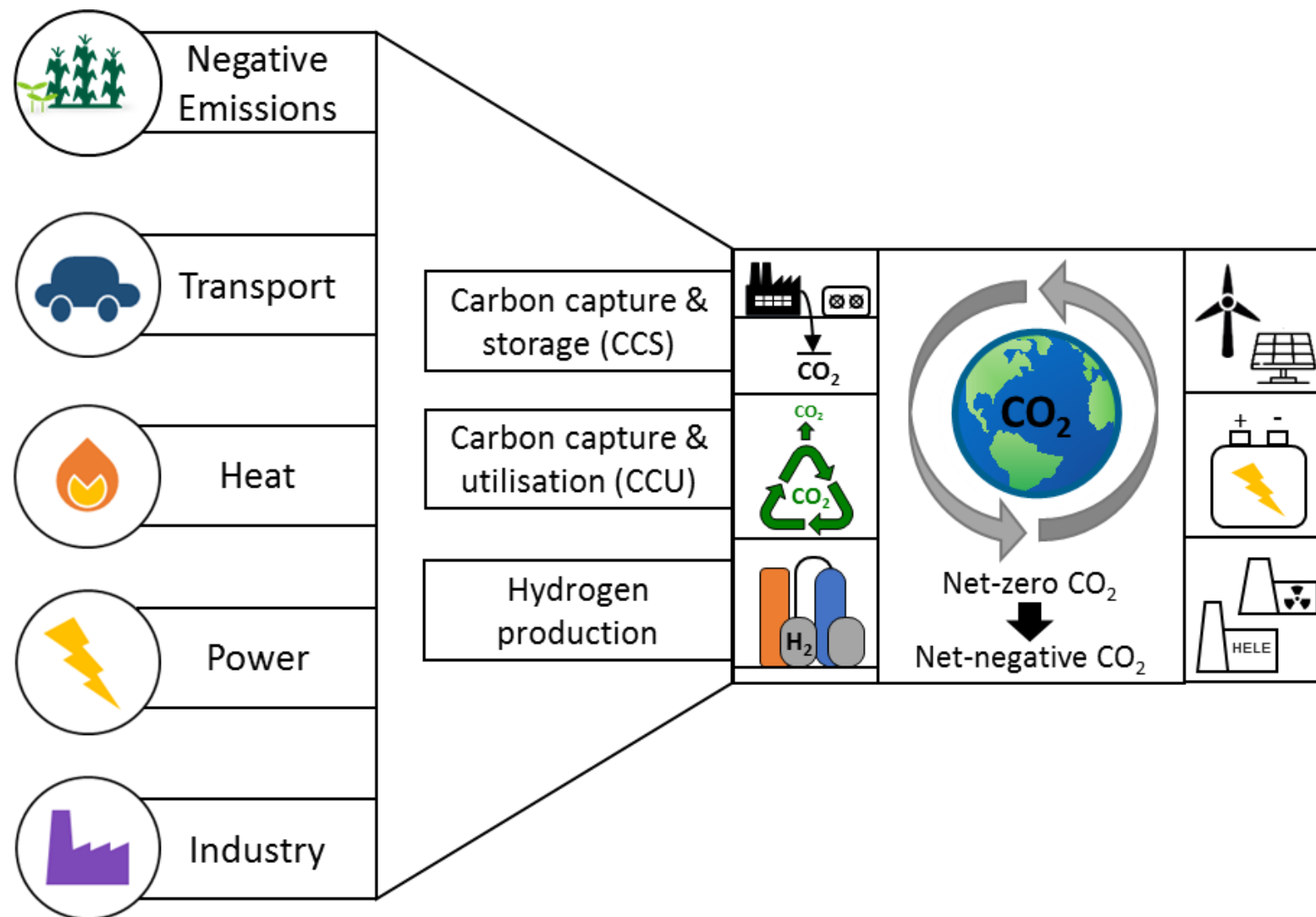
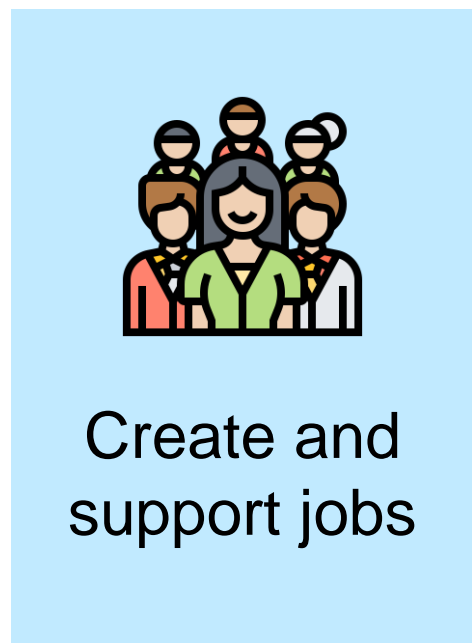
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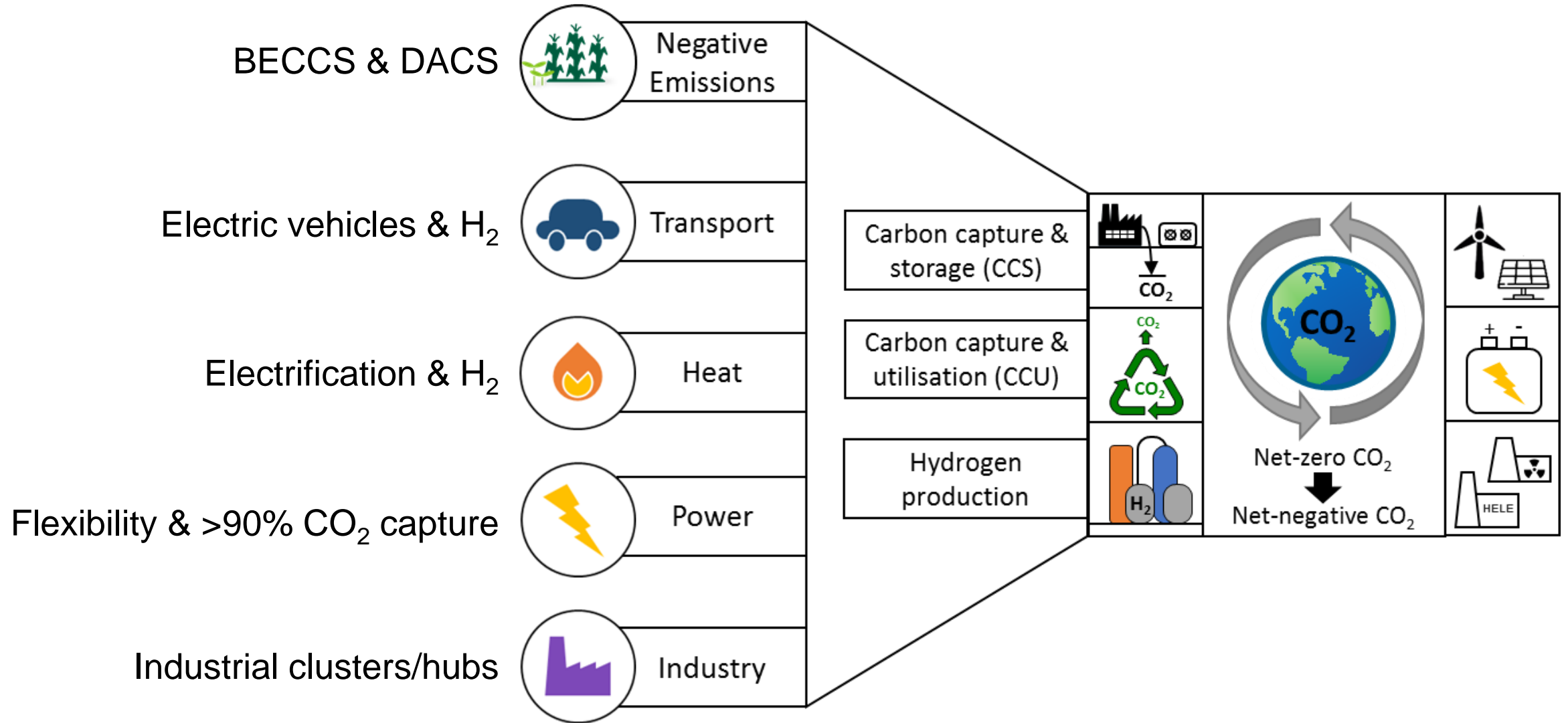
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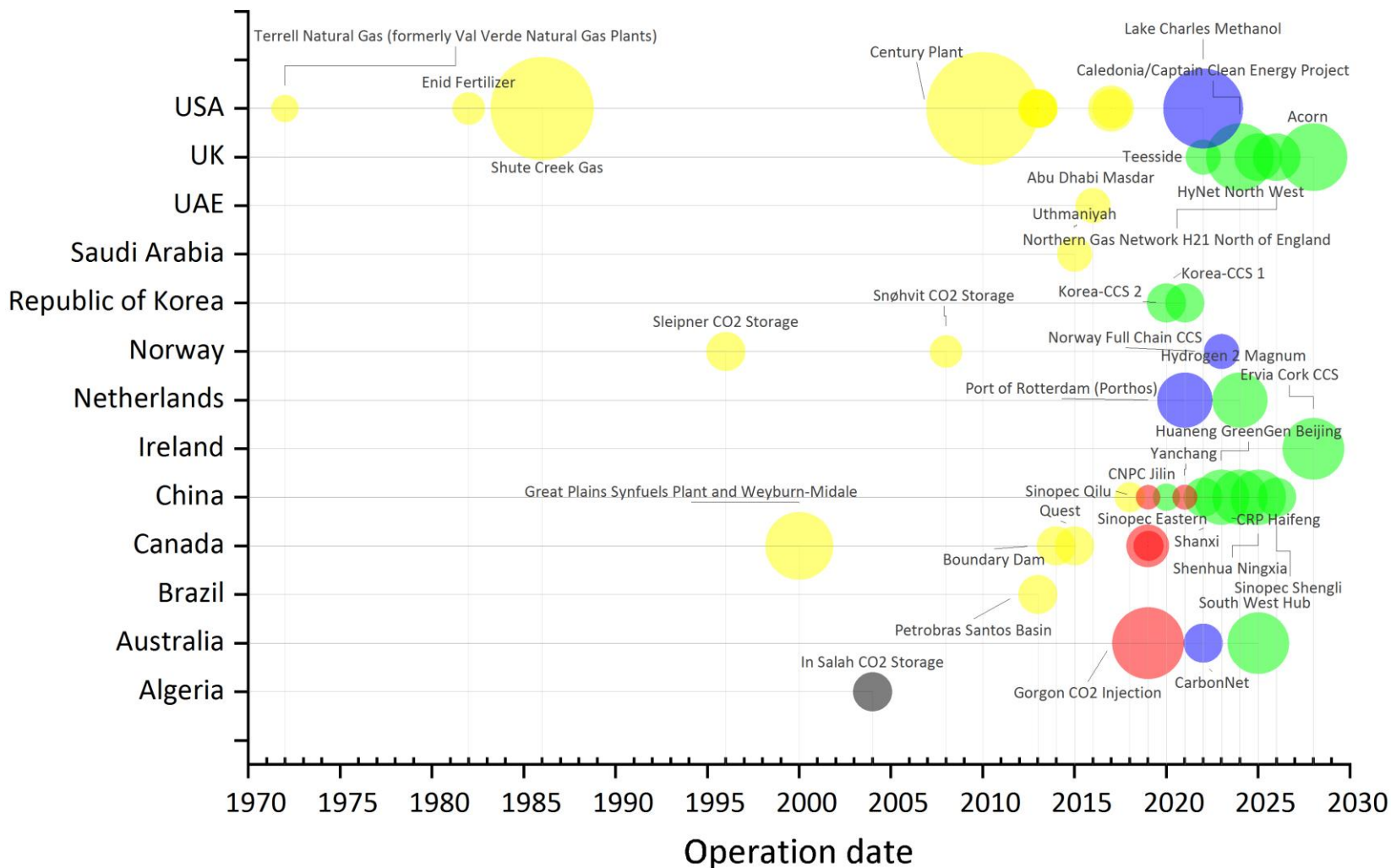
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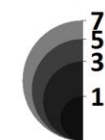
# Global status of commercial scale CCS



Total capacity of CO<sub>2</sub> captured  
= 31.7 MMtpa (operating phase)

IPCC scenarios limiting to 2 °C  
requires a capture rate of ~10  
Gt<sub>CO2</sub>/year by 2050.

Capacity(Mt/yr)

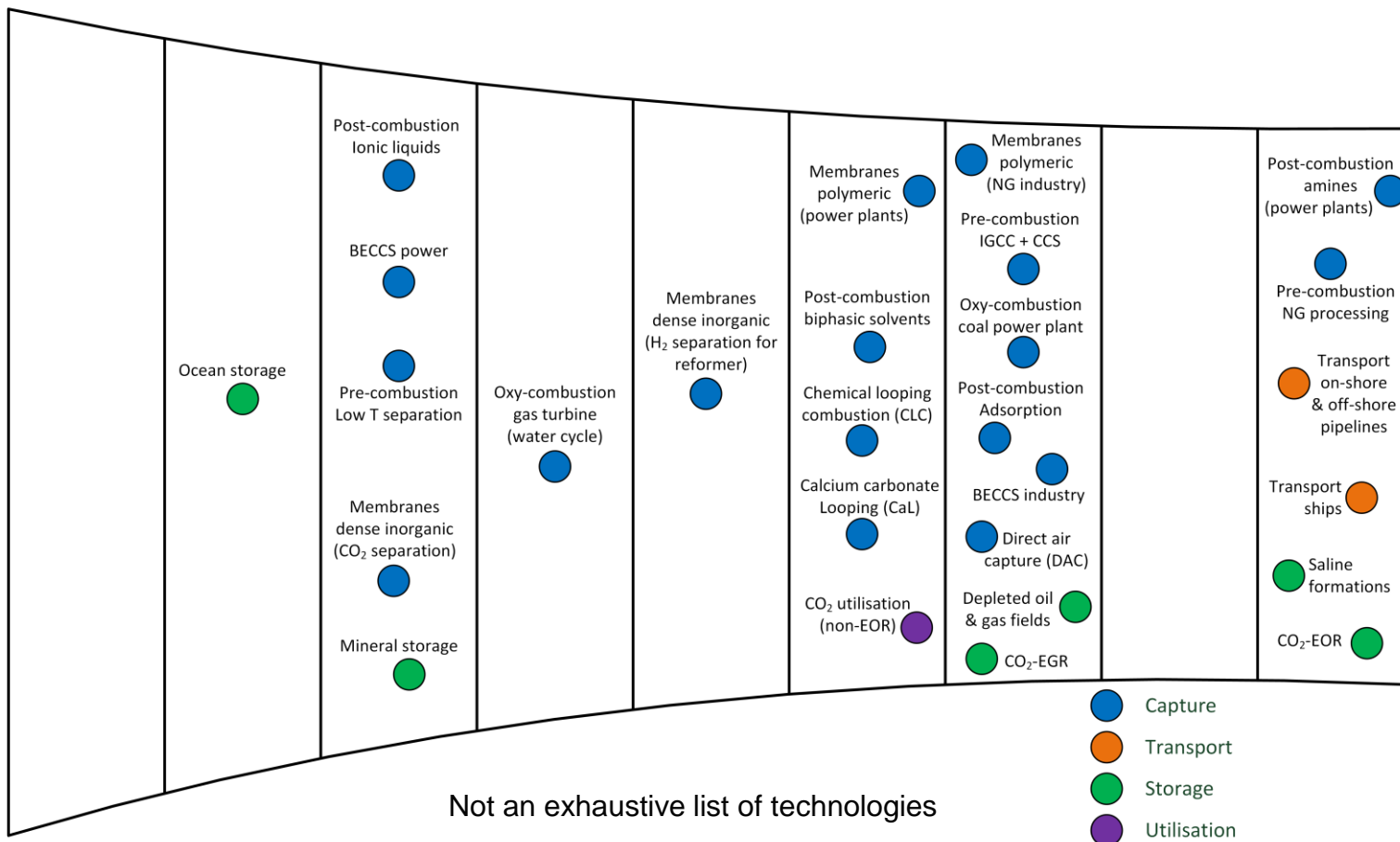


- Completed = 1
- Advanced Development = 4
- In Construction = 5
- Early Development = 16
- Operating = 18

Current CCS  
deployment  
rate is  
insufficient to  
meet the  
climate change  
mitigation  
targets.

# Current status of CCS development

Concept	Formulation	Proof of concept (lab tests)	Lab prototype	Lab-scale plant	Pilot plant	Demonstration	Commercial Refinement required	Commercial
TRL1	TRL2	TRL3	TRL4	TRL5	TRL6	TRL7	TRL8	TRL9



There is a suite of CCS technologies for capture, transport and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>.

Technologies advance through a series of scale-up steps (lab to commercial scale).

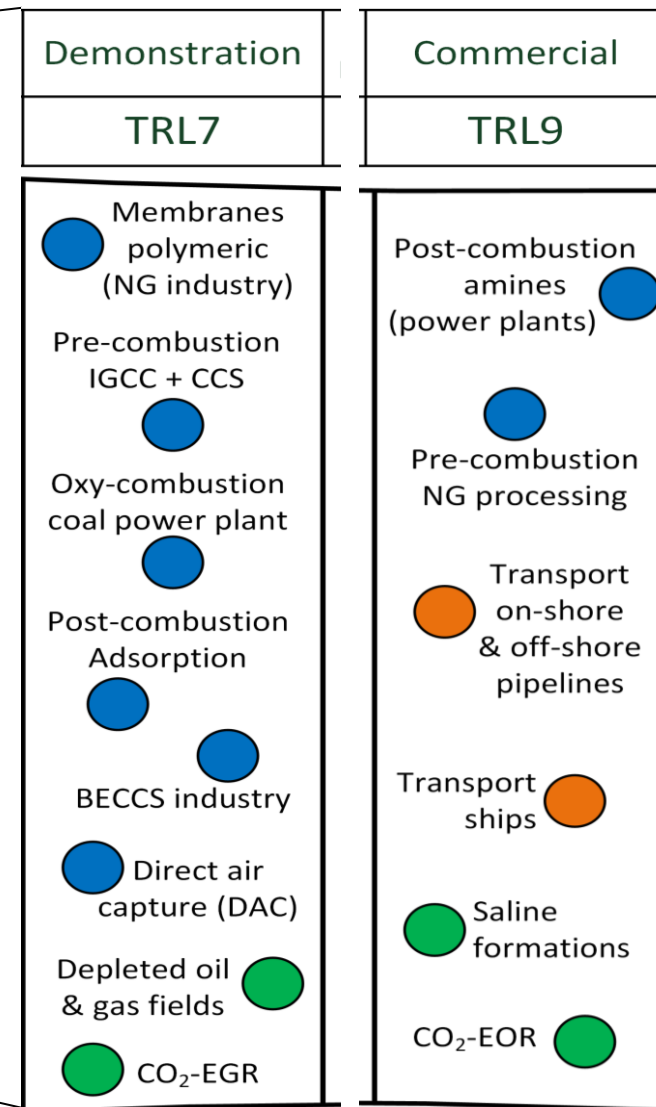
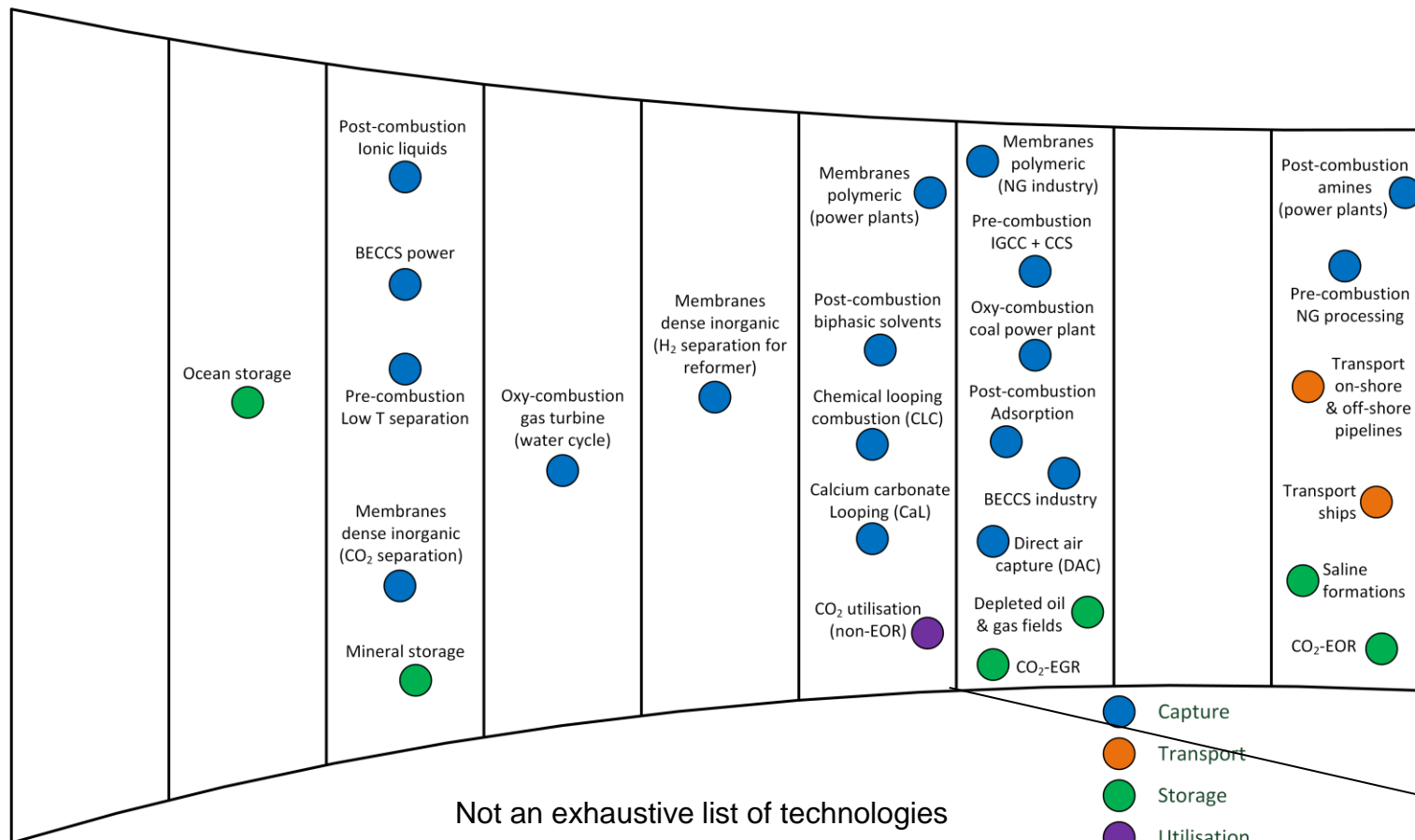
Congestion occurs at TRL 3, TRL 6 & TRL 7.

Development tends to be hindered due to technical challenges or insufficient funding.



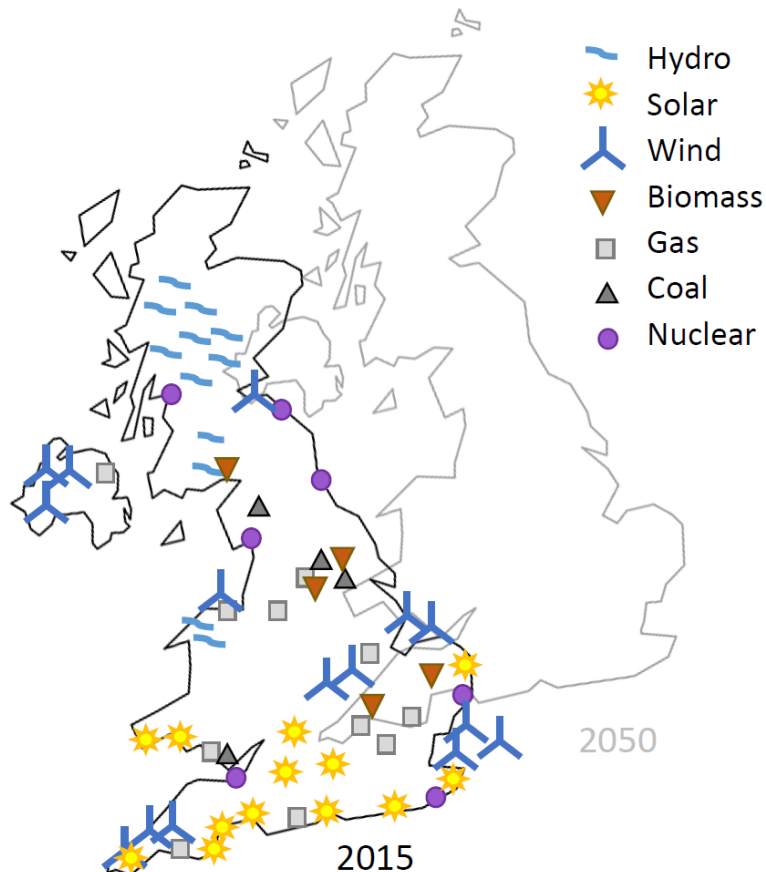
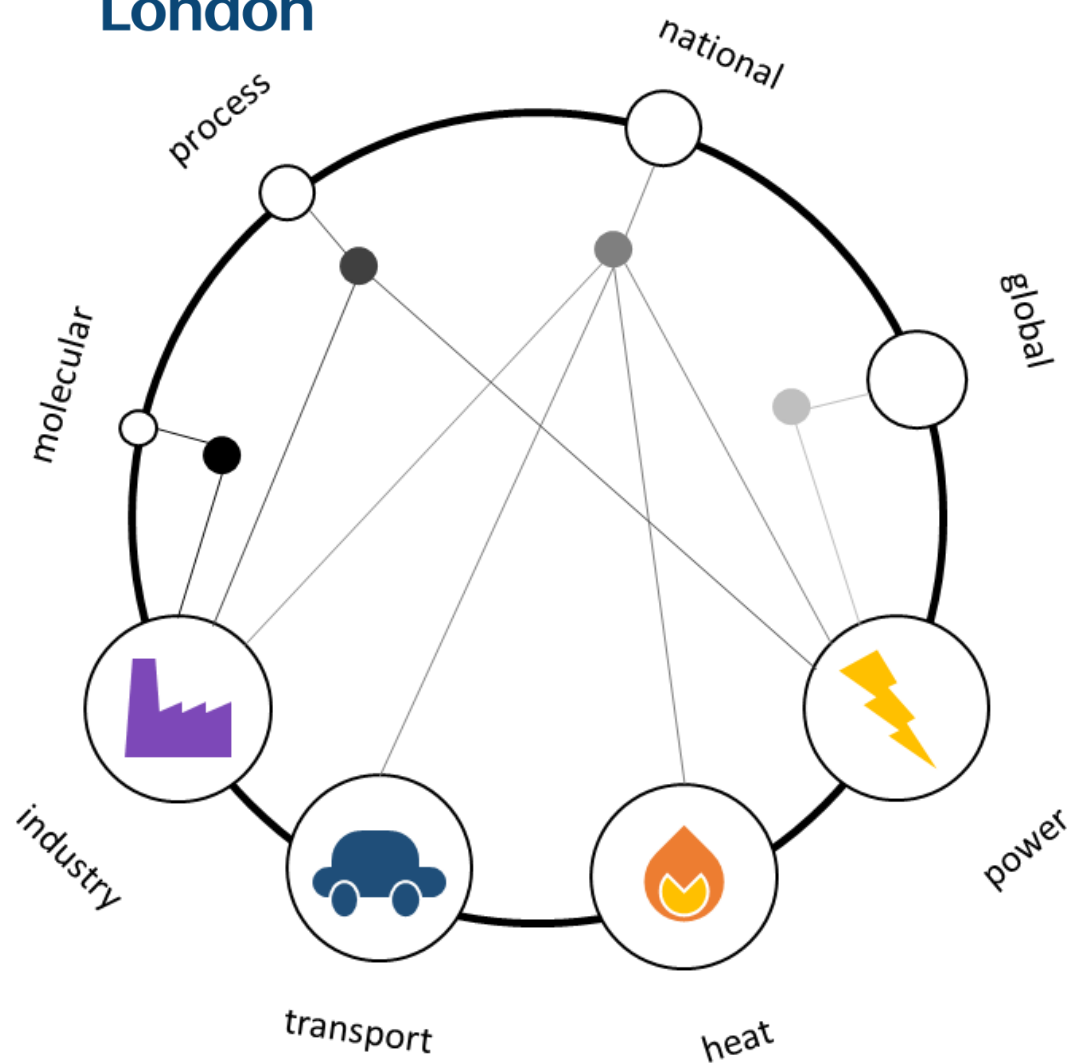
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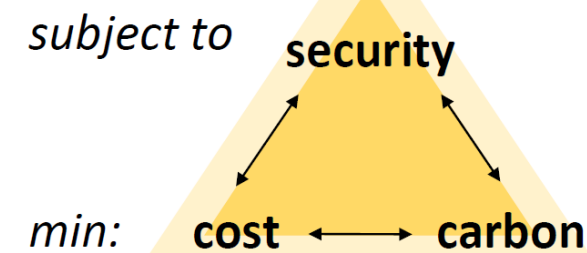




# The transition to net-zero emissions by 2050

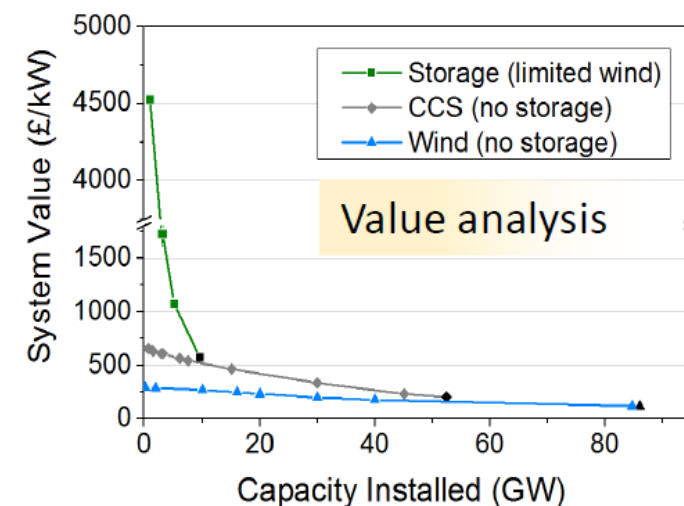
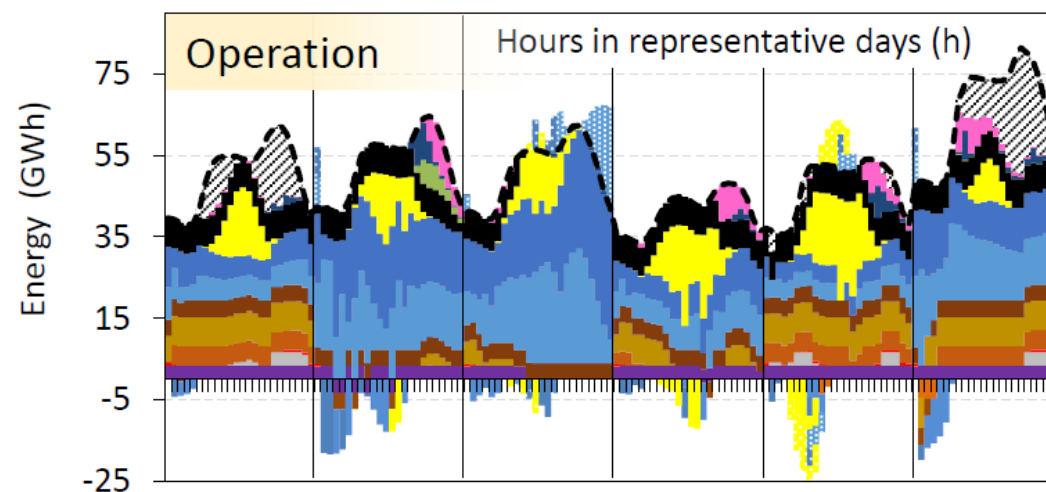
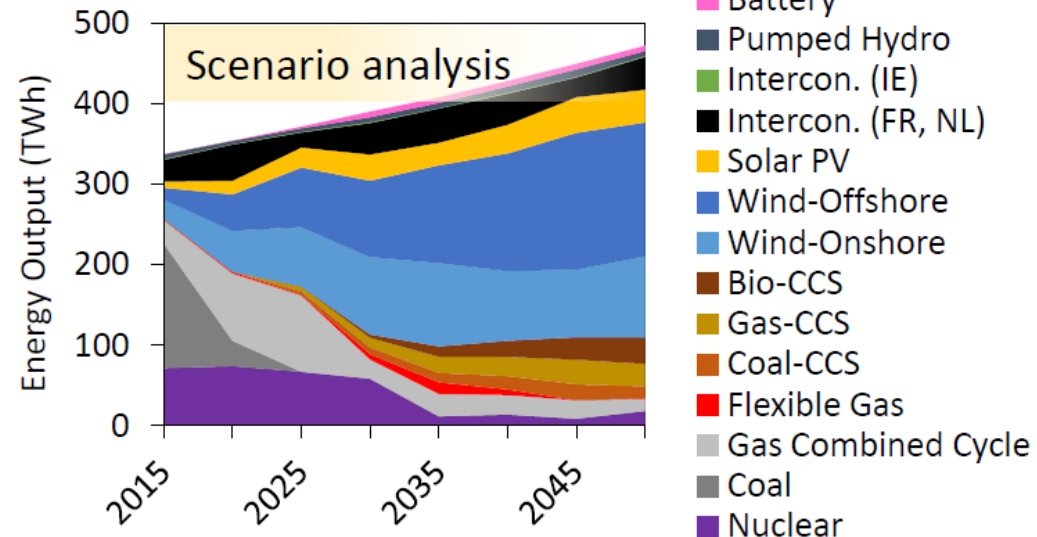
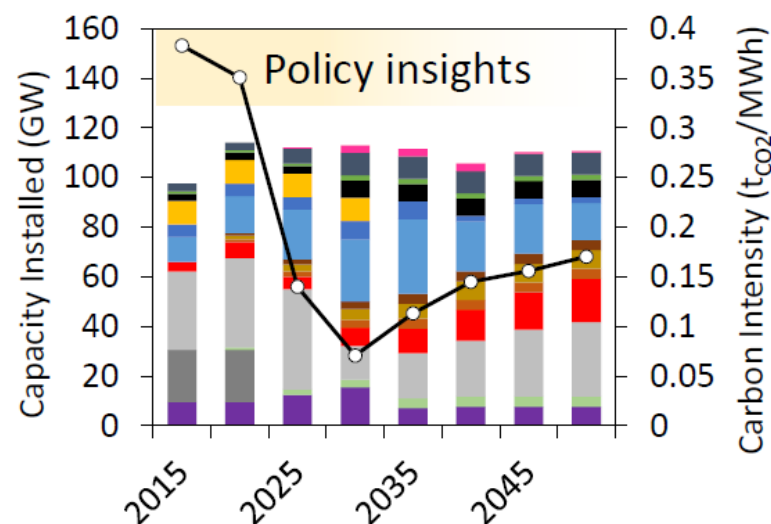
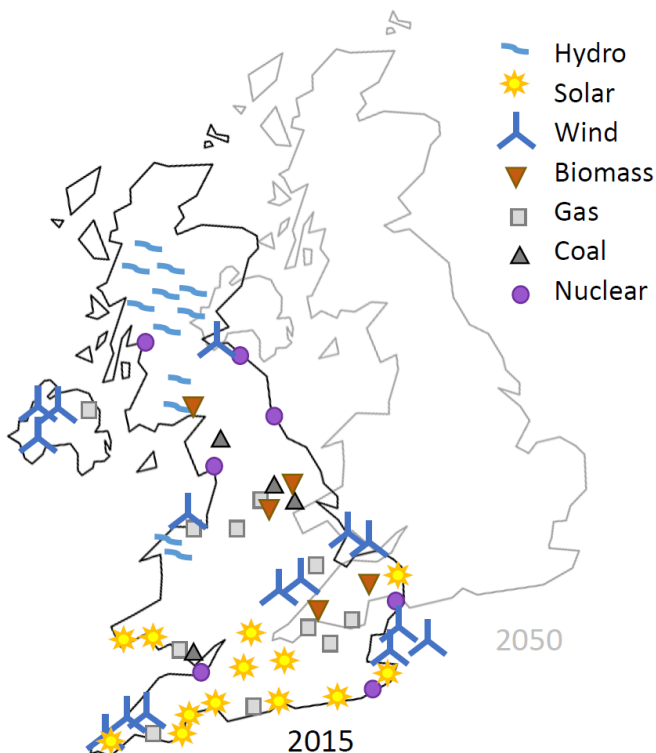


What to build?  
Where? When? Why?  
How to operate?

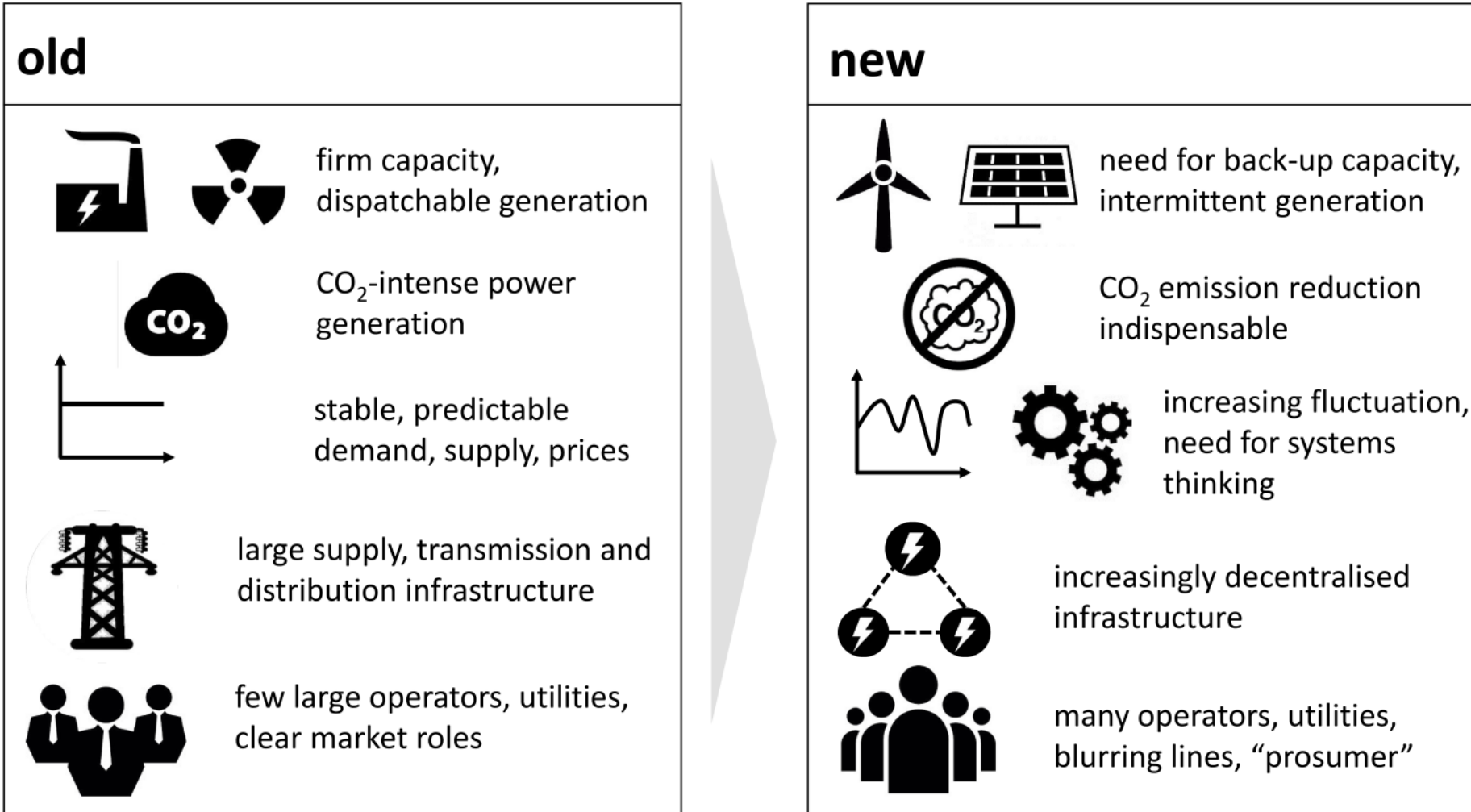


What is the role and value of CCS  
in the UK energy system?

# Electricity Systems Optimisation Framework



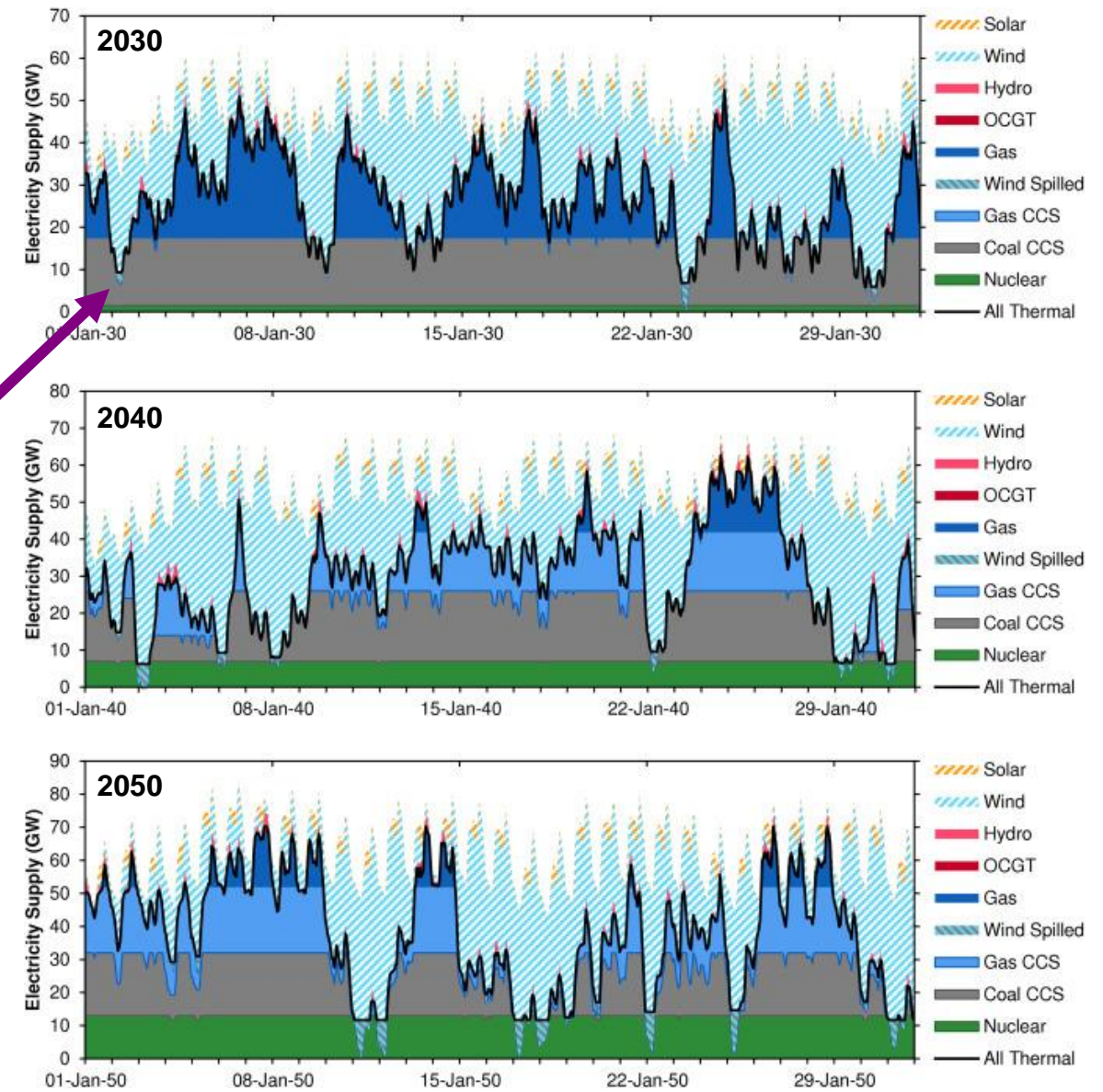
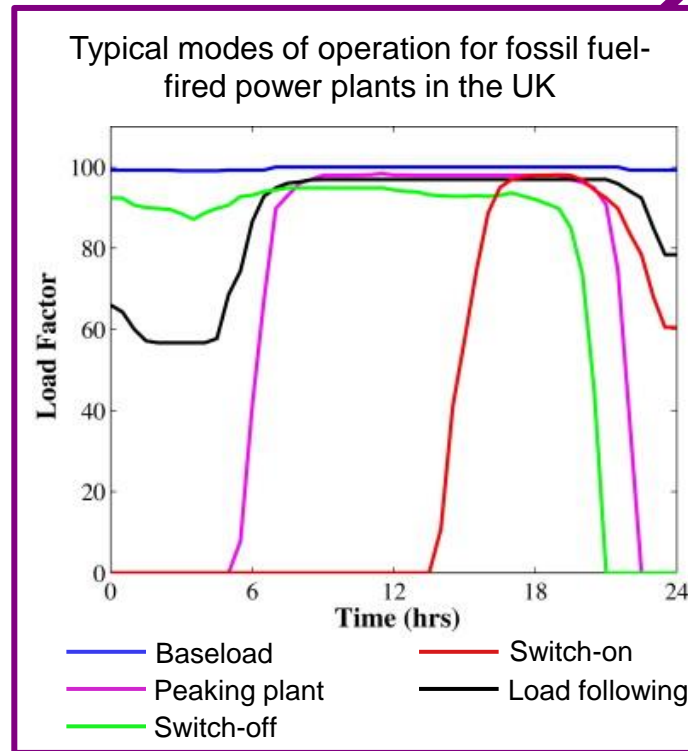
# The transition to net-zero in energy systems



# Flexible CCS in future electricity systems

To accommodate intermittent renewables, fossil fuel power plants will need to operate flexibly.

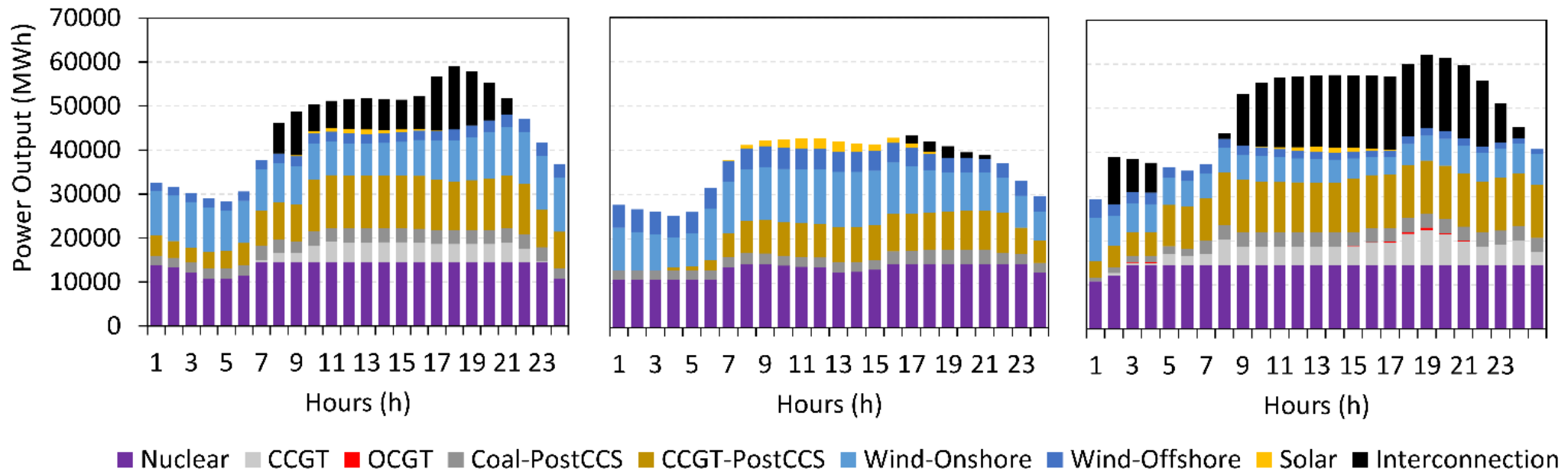
Coordinate the balance between electricity demand and CO<sub>2</sub> capture requirements.





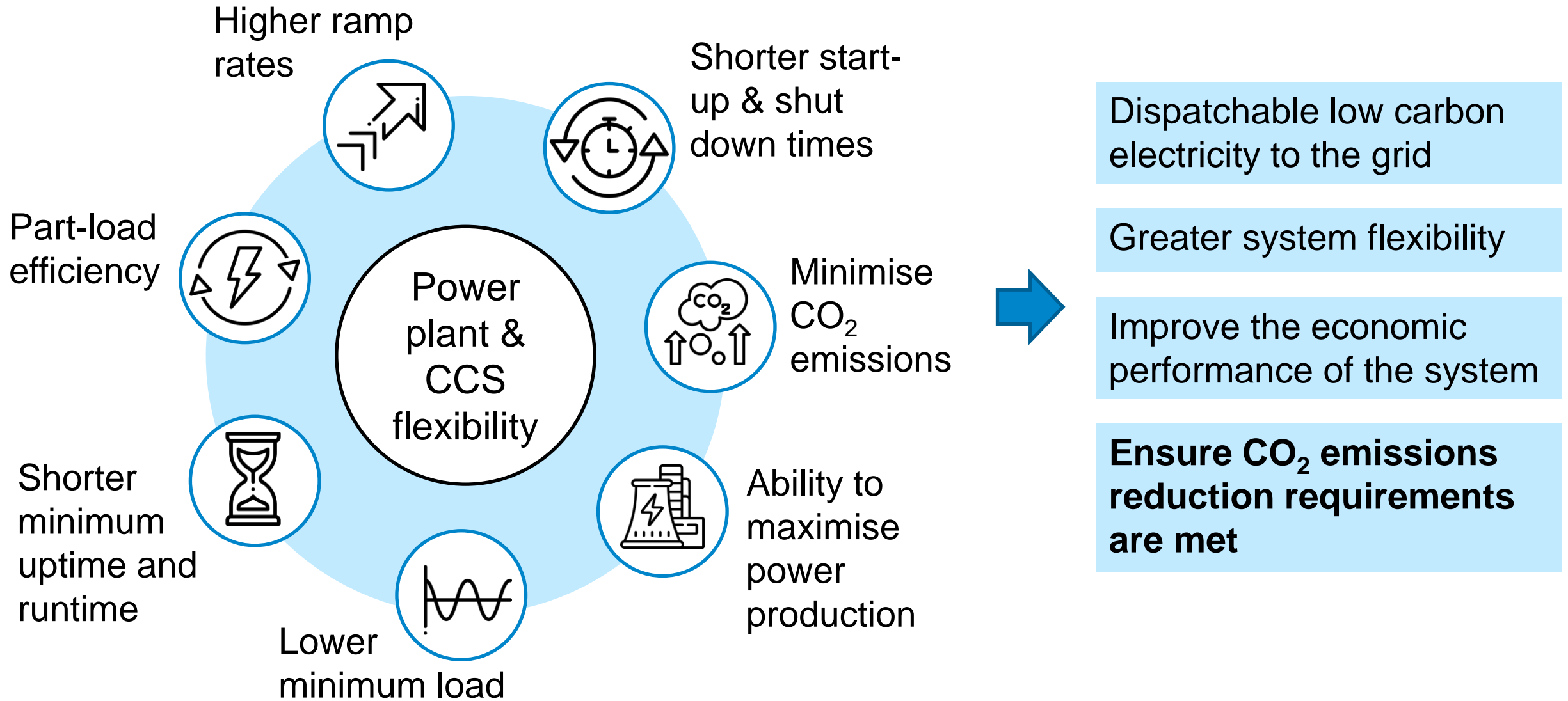
# Power-CCS: Load following, start-up and shut down

Hourly power generation for three sample days in a 2035 power system scenario

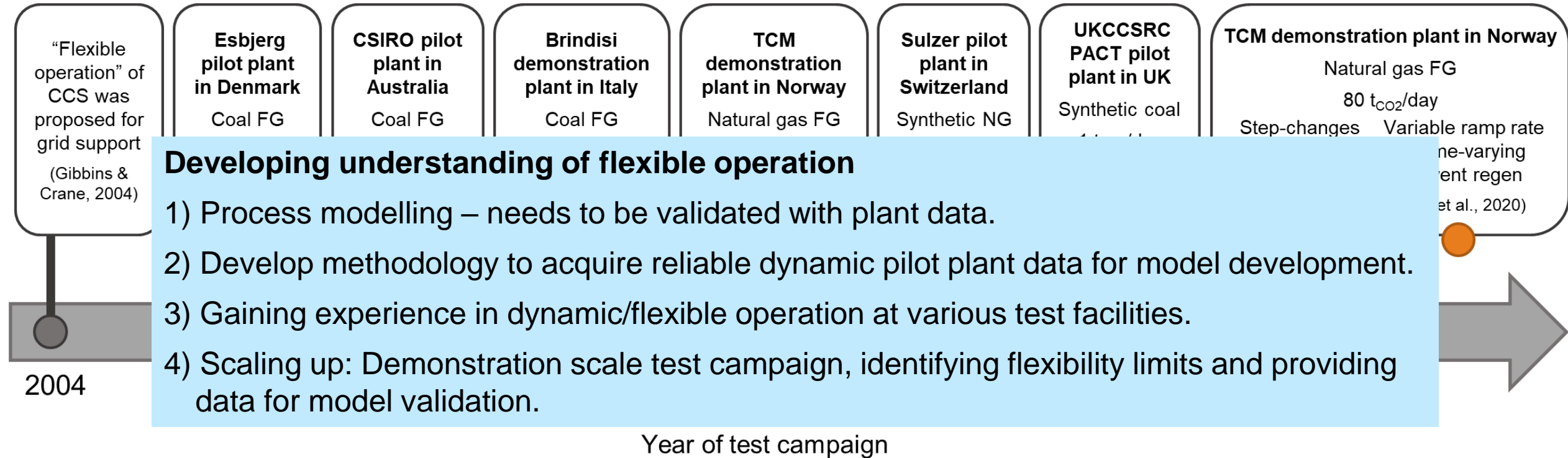


Technology features	NGCC-CCS	Nuclear	Onshore wind
Investment cost	—	—	++
Operational cost (fuel, O&M)	—	++	++
Firm capacity/reserve services	++	++	—
Dispatchability/load-following	++	+	—
Short-term ancillary services	++	++	—
Operational carbon intensity	++	++	++
Practicality of new project	—	—	+
System integration	+	++	—

# Flexibility of power plants with CCS



# Pilot & demonstration studies of flexible operation



- Dynamic process data unavailable
- Dynamic process data published

We have gained valuable operating experience at dynamic conditions.  
Dynamic operating data for model development is being made available.



# Flexible operation of CO<sub>2</sub> capture plants at different scales

Pilot-scale: 0.5 tCO<sub>2</sub>/day



Pilot-scale: 1 tCO<sub>2</sub>/day



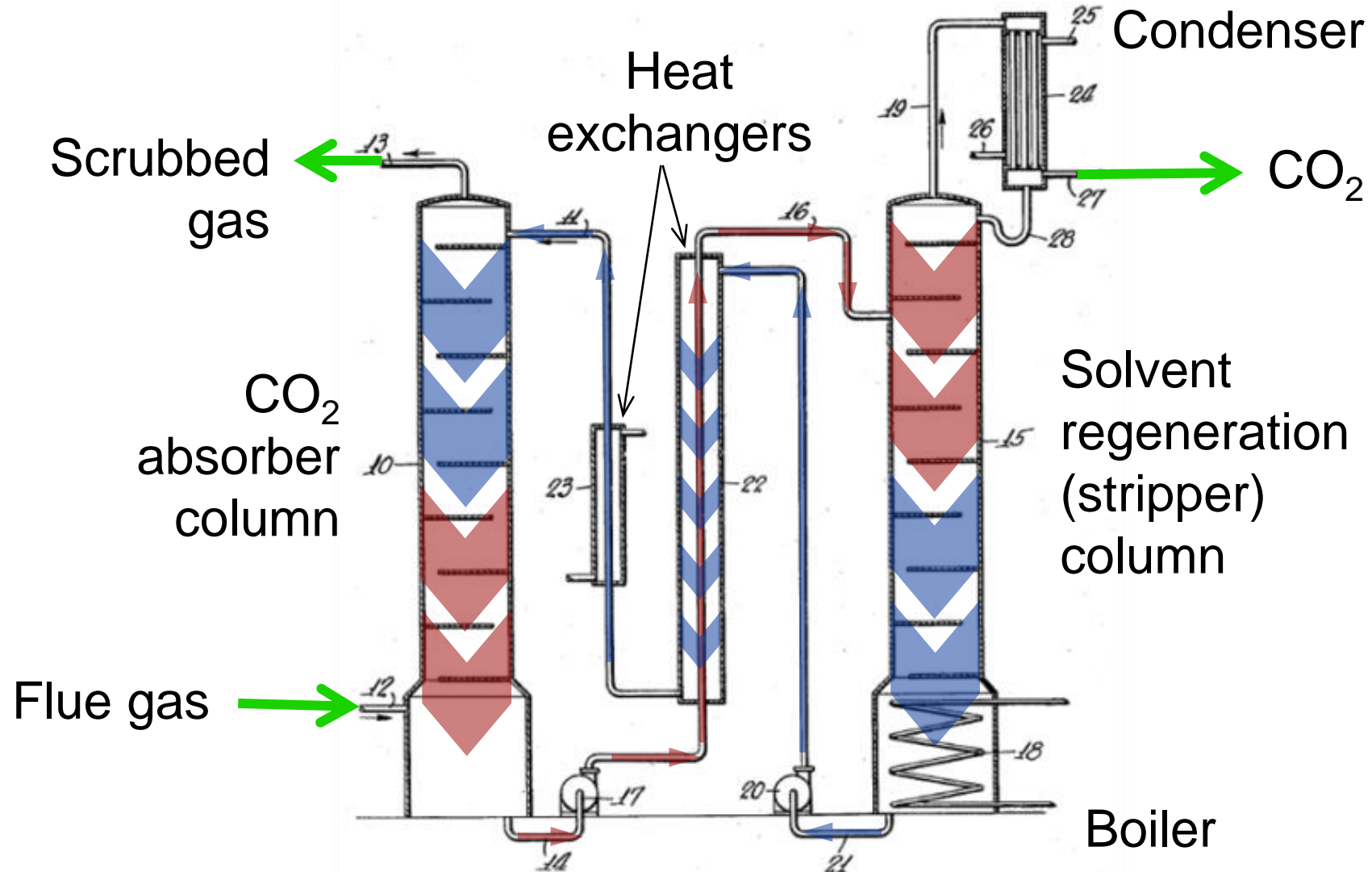
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Demo-scale: 80–275 tCO<sub>2</sub>/day



Source: Business Wire/Helge Hanse <https://www.process-worldwide.com/index.cfm?pid=9890&pk=763551&fk=0&type=article#1>

# Absorption-based CO<sub>2</sub> capture





# Flexible operation of a demonstration-scale CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant

## CHP mode

4 mol% CO<sub>2</sub> gas  
Captures 80 t<sub>CO2</sub>/day

## RCC mode

12 mol% CO<sub>2</sub> gas  
Captures 275 t<sub>CO2</sub>/day



Equinor oil refinery (not shown)

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# TCM CO<sub>2</sub> capture facility, Mongstad Norway

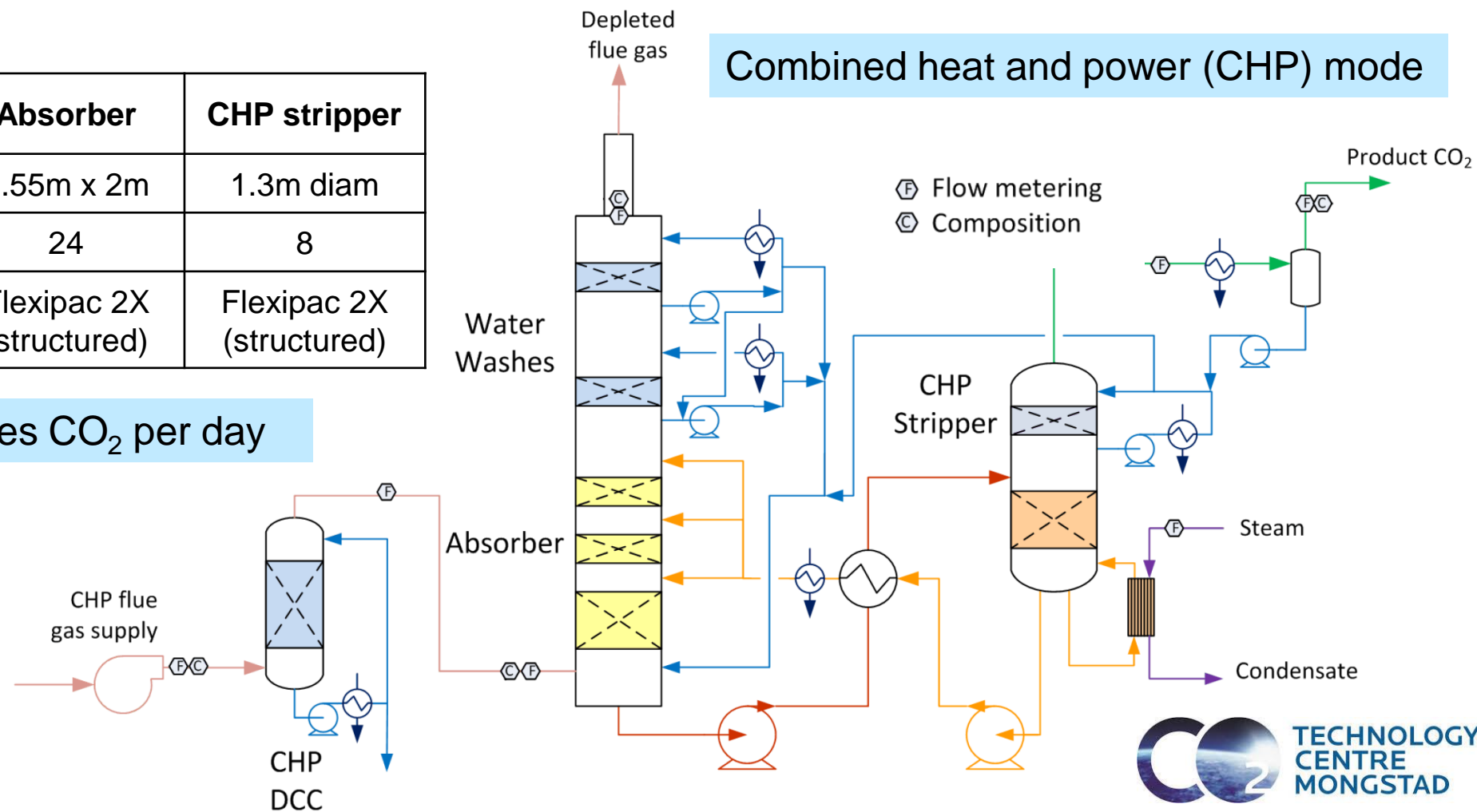
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Capture capacity of 80 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> per day

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Combined heat and power (CHP) mode



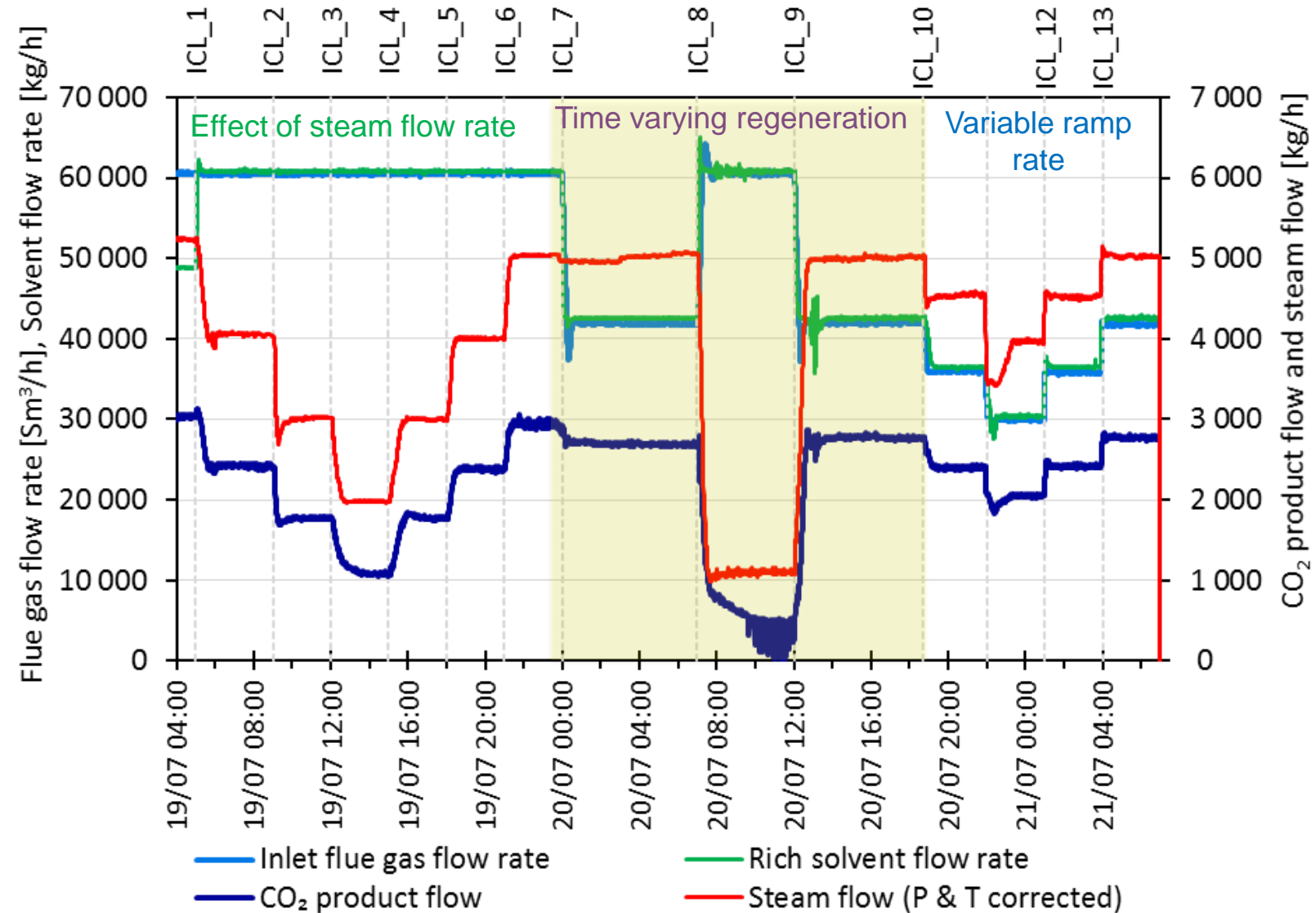
# Flexible operation of the TCM CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant

The dynamic operation scenarios of this test campaign are:

Effect of steam flow  
ICL\_1 to ICL\_6

Time-varying solvent regeneration  
ICL\_7 to ICL\_9

Variable ramp rate  
ICL\_10 to ICL\_13





The use of solvent storage tanks involves high capital cost.

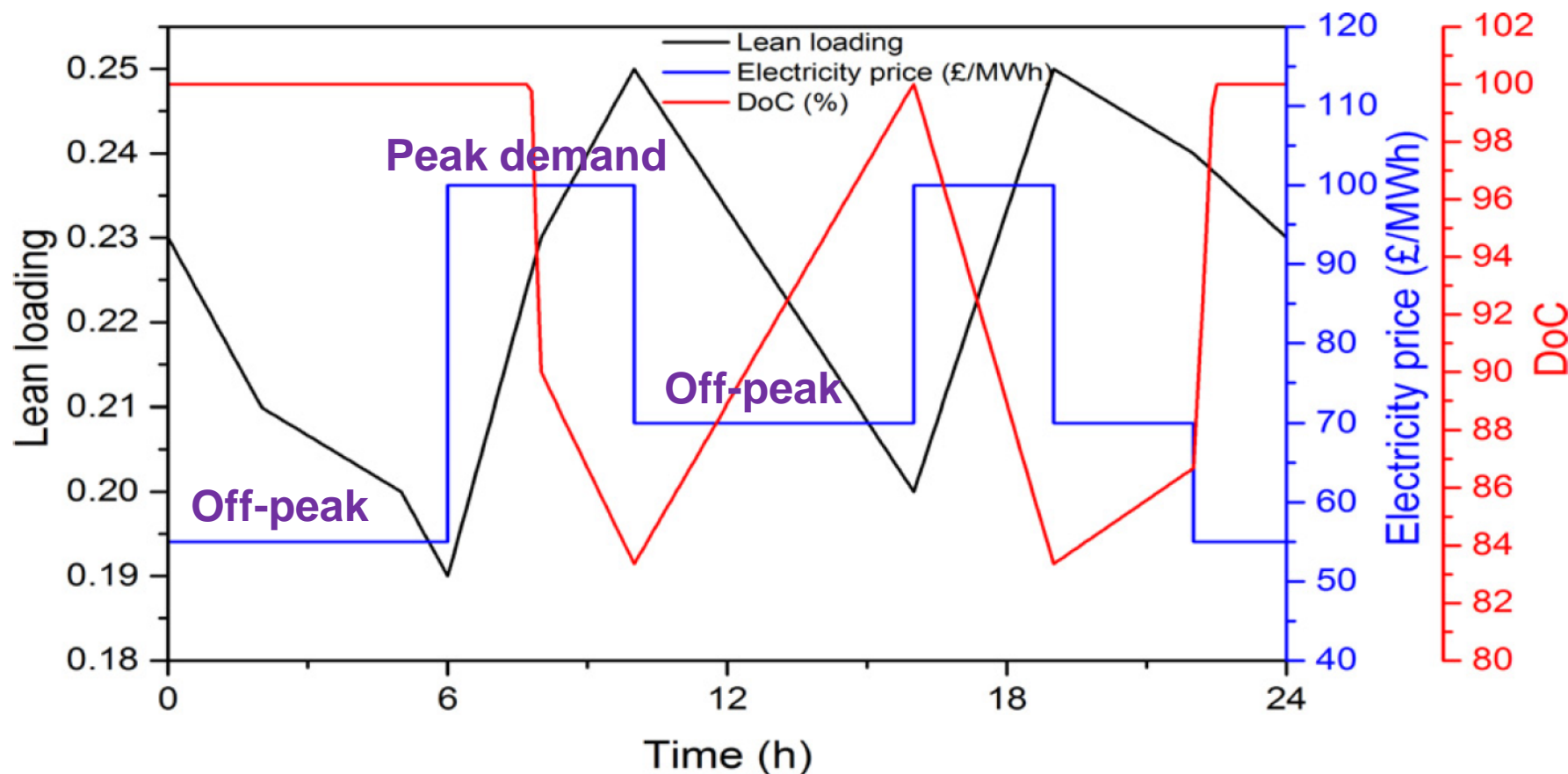
Alternatively, CO<sub>2</sub> can be “stored” within the amine liquid.

The **time-varying solvent regeneration** approach can be used to coordinate the degree of capture with electricity price/demand.

Potentially more cost effective and profitable.

# Time-varying solvent regeneration

## Combined cycle gas turbine power plant

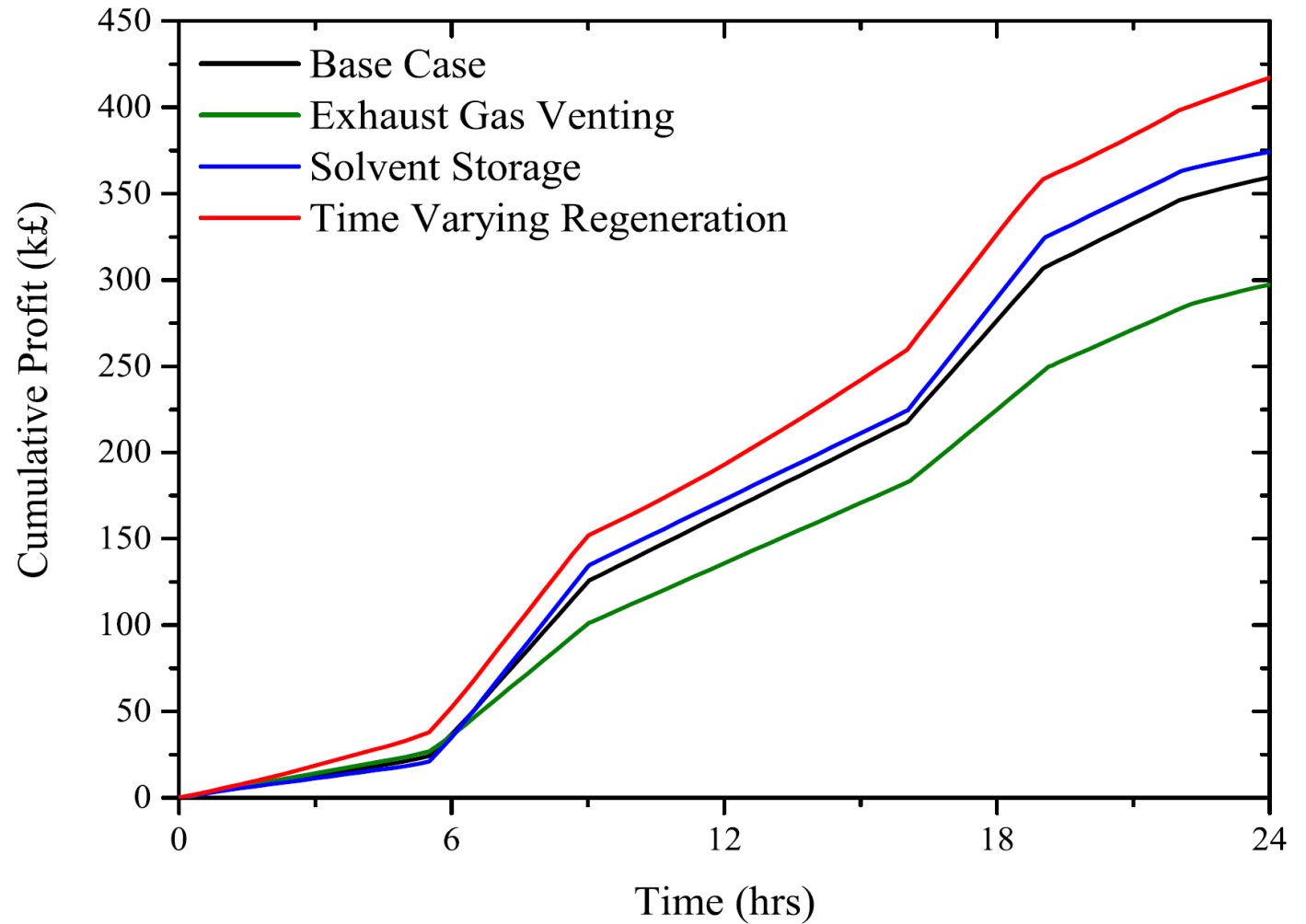


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Time-varying solvent regeneration looks to be the most profitable strategy.

**Can we actually do it?**

## Time-varying solvent regeneration



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# Time-varying solvent regeneration

## Off-peak electricity prices:

Solvent is regenerated,  
reducing power output →  
expect lower flue gas flow rates.

## Increase steam flow to reboiler:

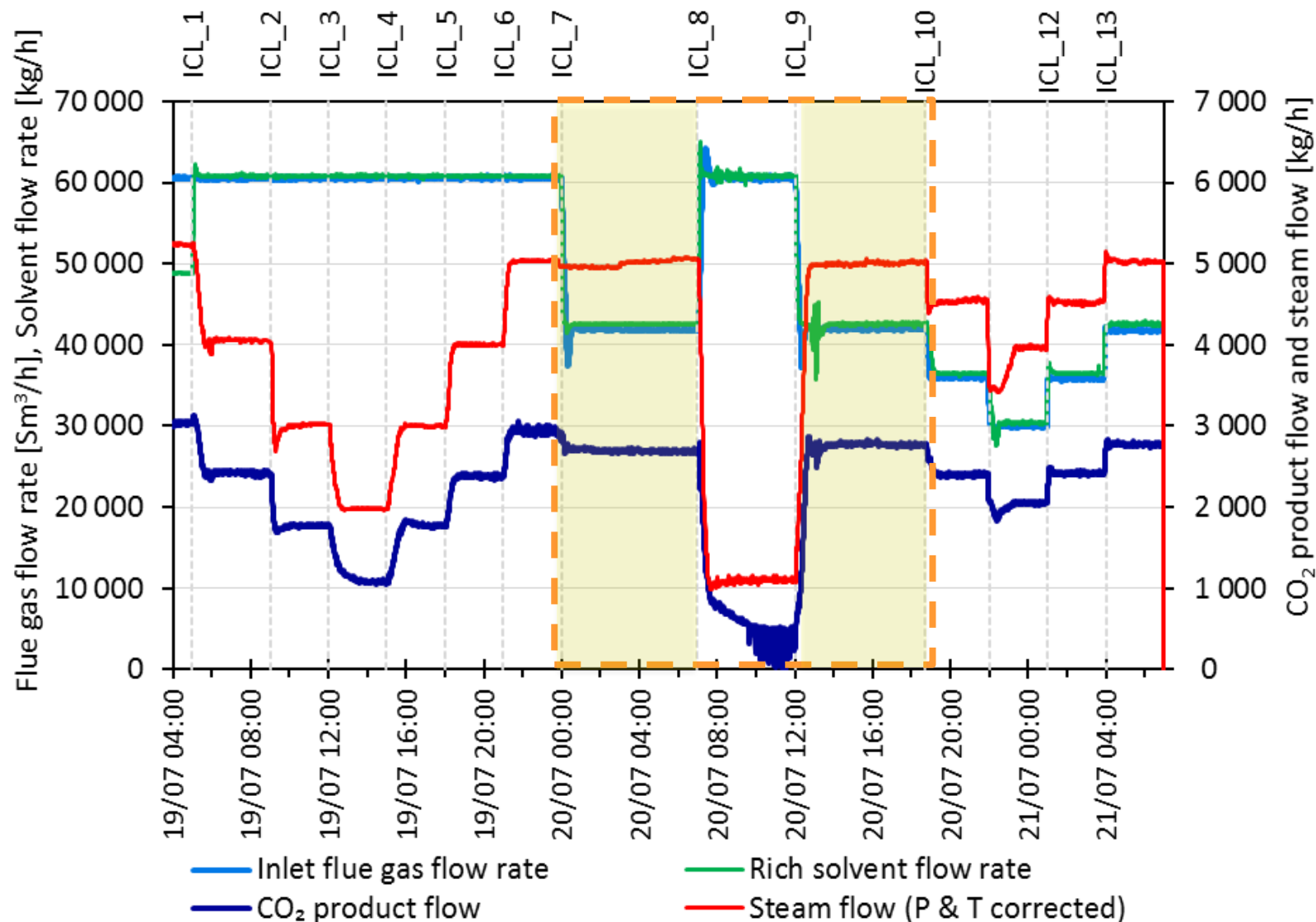
- Decreases lean CO<sub>2</sub> loading
- Increases degree of capture

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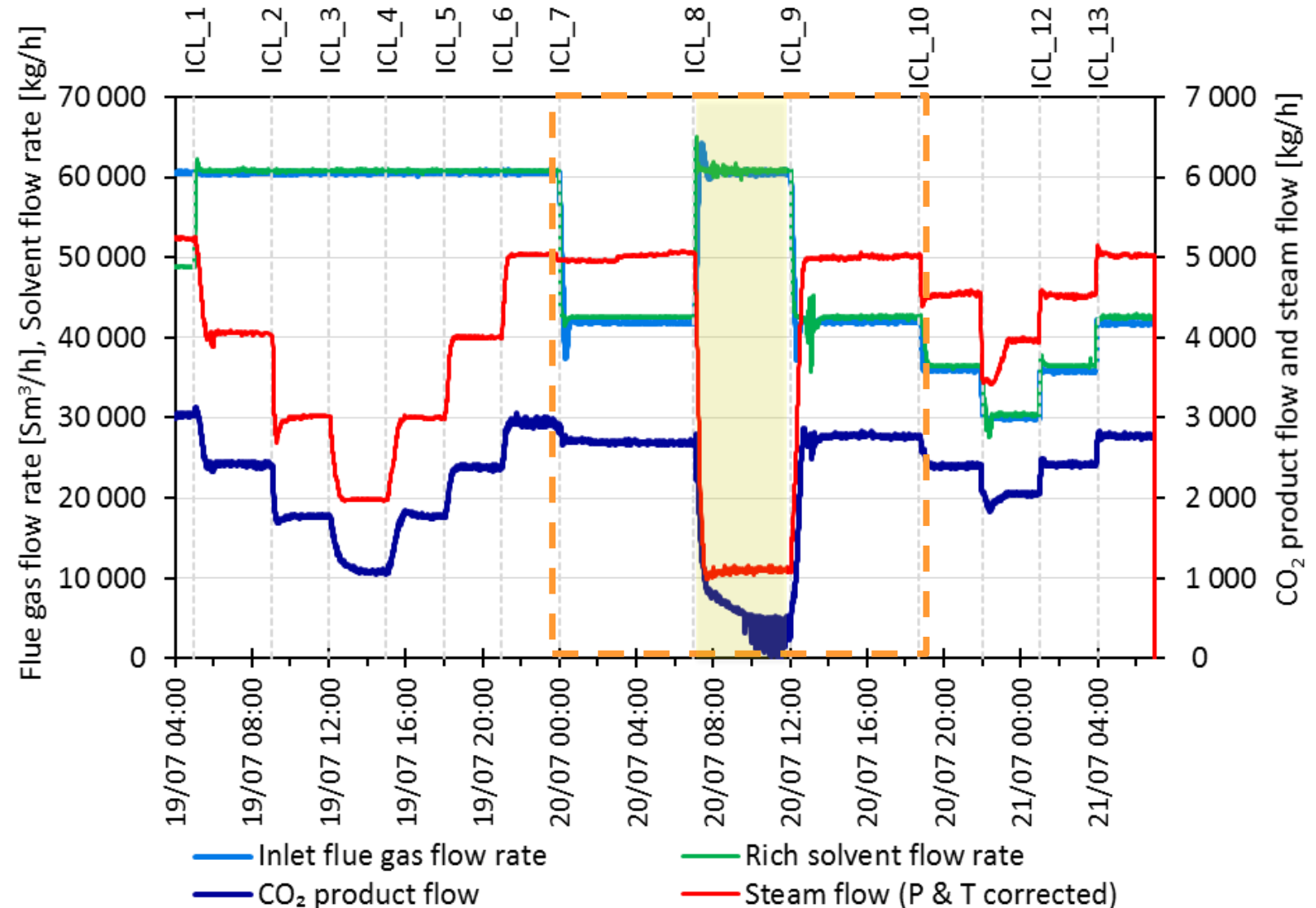
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**Peak electricity prices:**  
accumulate CO<sub>2</sub> in the amine

Power output increases,  
burning more fuel → higher flue  
gas flow rates.

Reduce steam flow to reboiler:

- Increase in lean CO<sub>2</sub> loading
- Degree of capture reduces



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**Peak:**  $\text{CO}_2$  is “stored” in solvent and lean  $\text{CO}_2$  loading increases.

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**$\text{CO}_2$  capture rate:** 14.5%

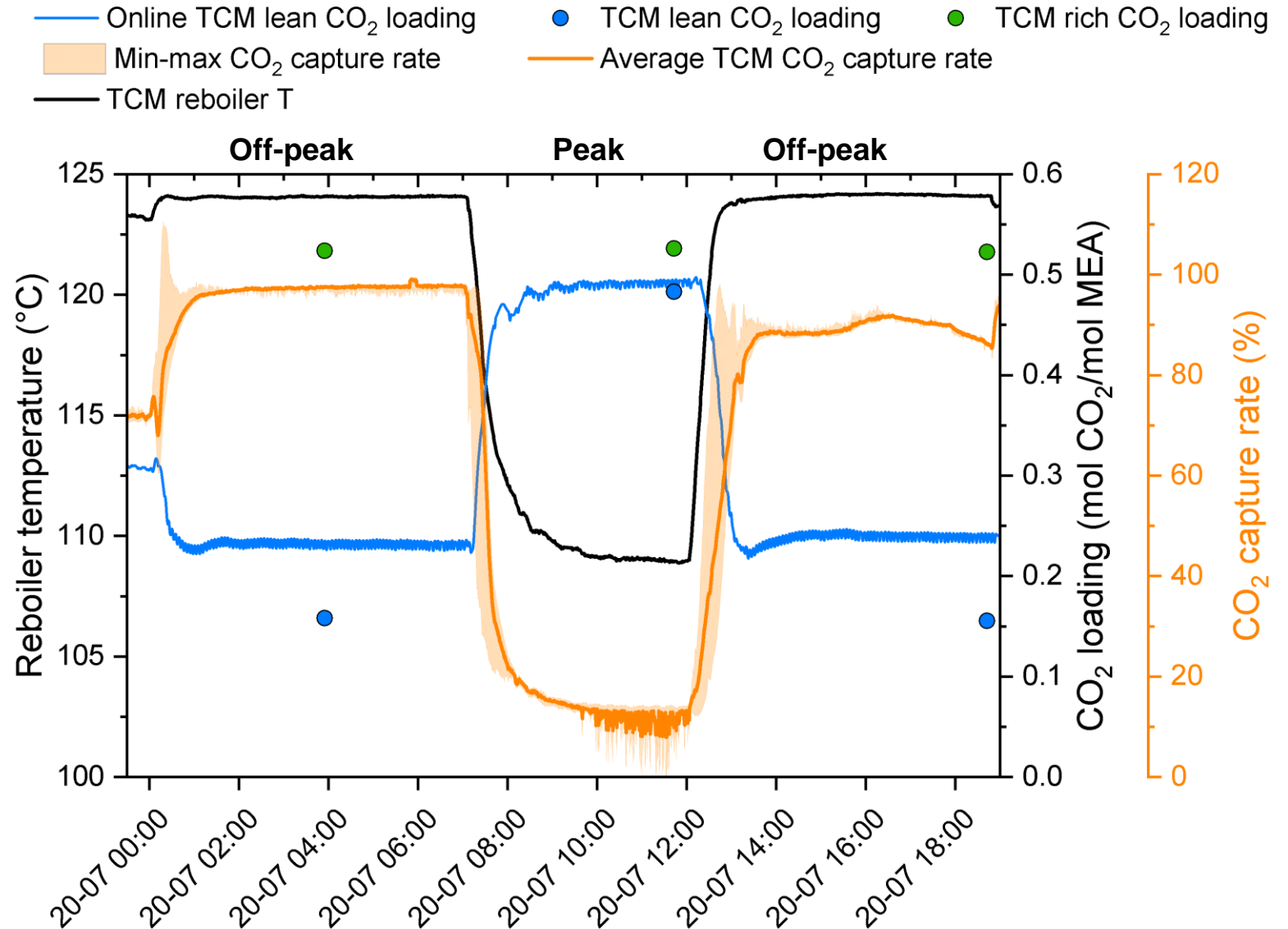
**Lean  $\text{CO}_2$  loading:** 0.48 mol $_{\text{CO}_2}$ /mol $_{\text{MEA}}$

**Rich  $\text{CO}_2$  Loading:**

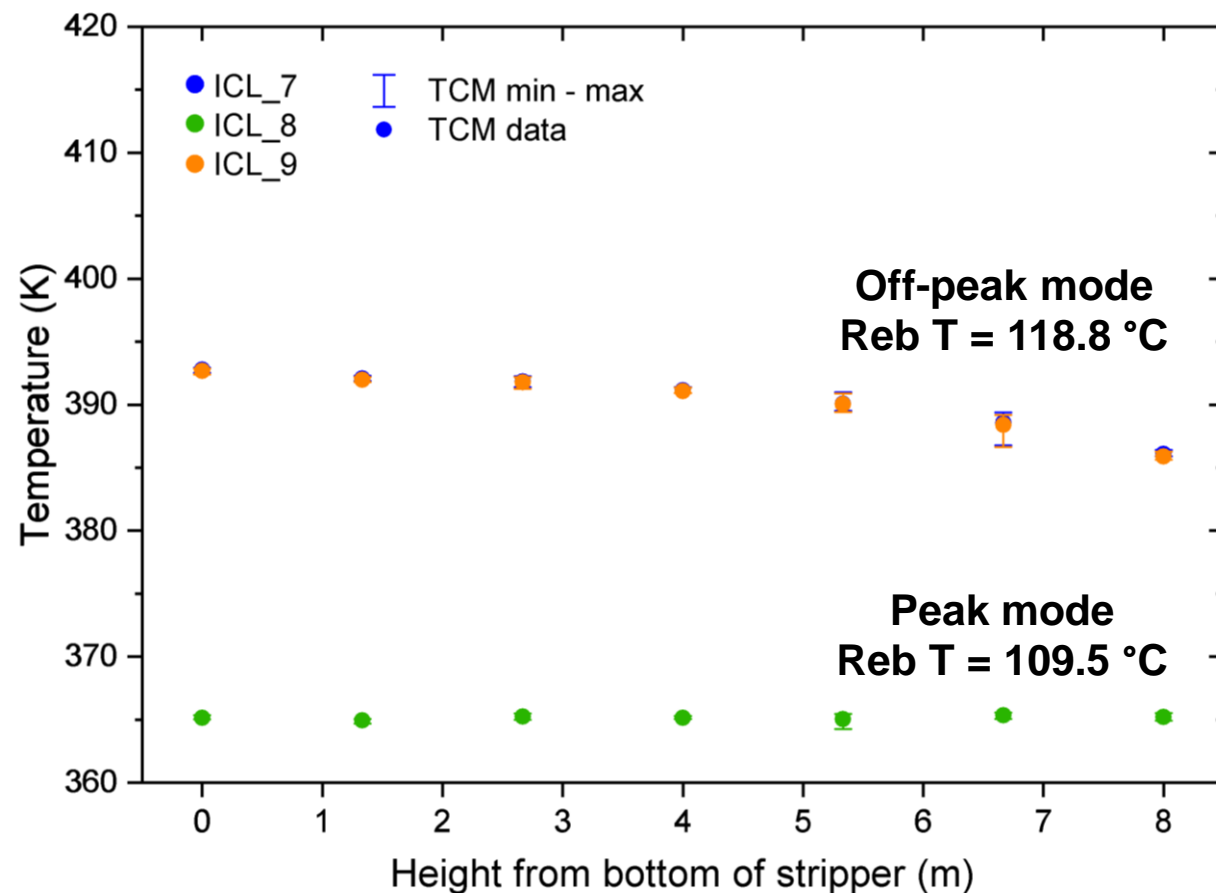
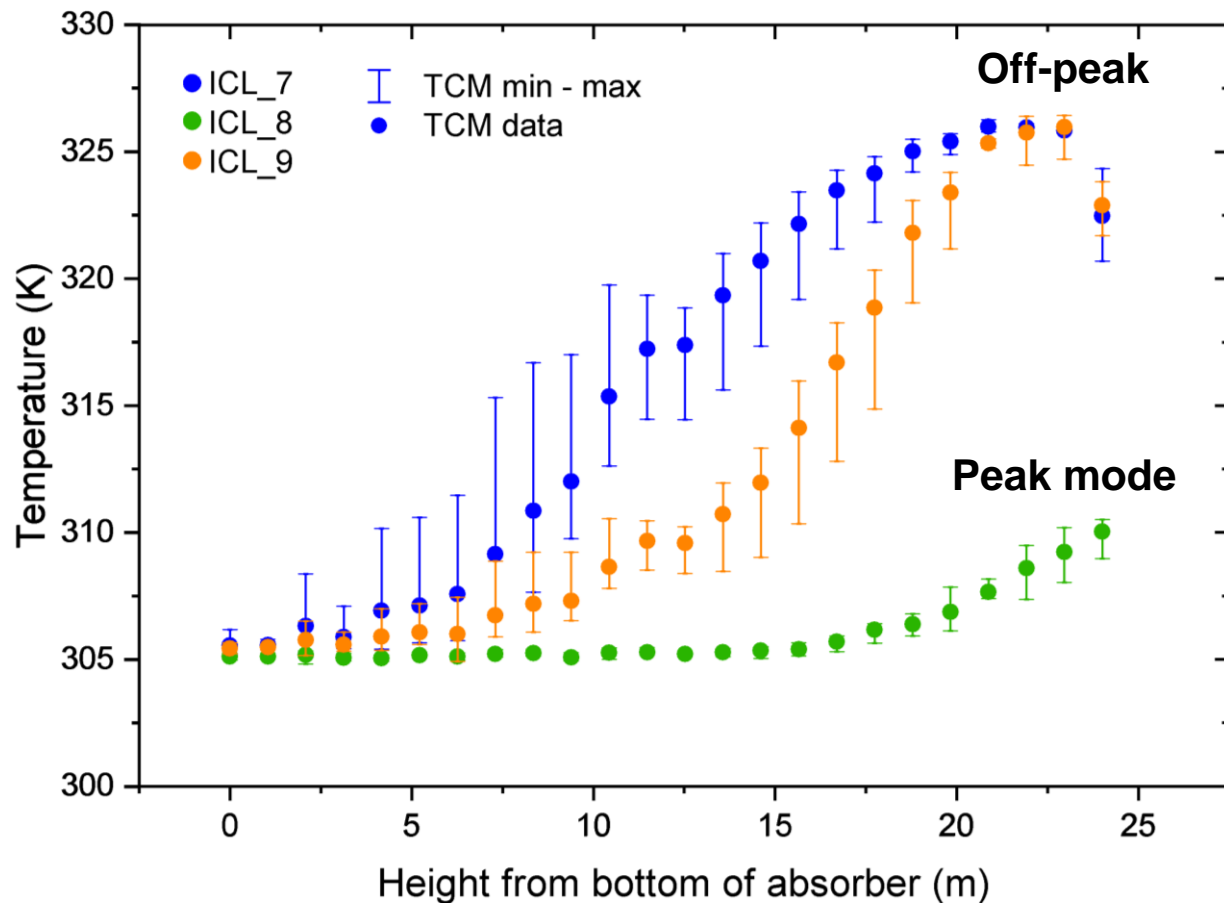
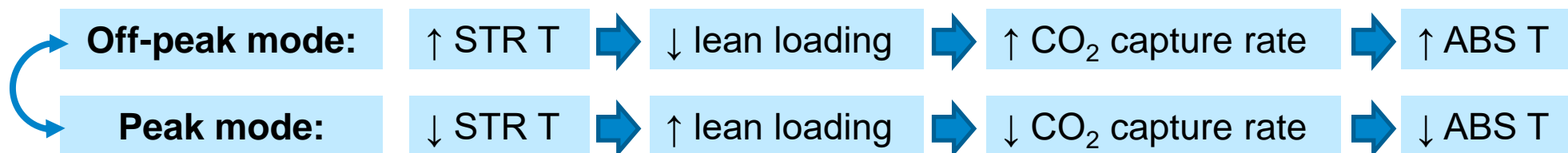
0.52–0.53 mol $_{\text{CO}_2}$ /mol $_{\text{MEA}}$

**Reboiler duty:** 3.93–4.11 MJ/kg  $\text{CO}_2$

**Cumulative  $\text{CO}_2$  capture rate:** 66.5%

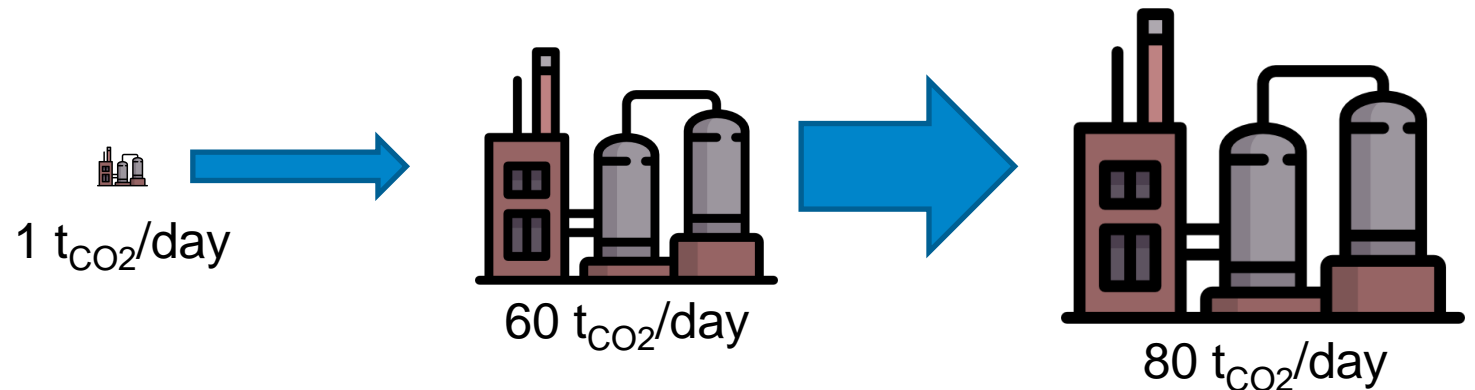


# Time varying solvent regeneration



The flexibility of the capture plant may be limited by the **process control** and is a function of **plant scale**.

## Effect of scale on process dynamics



	UKCCSRC PACT pilot plant	Brindisi CO <sub>2</sub> capture plant		TCM demonstration plant	
CO <sub>2</sub> capture capacity	1 t <sub>CO2</sub> /day	60 t <sub>CO2</sub> /day		80 – 200 t <sub>CO2</sub> /day	
Volume solvent inventory	0.470 m <sup>3</sup>	61 m <sup>3</sup>		38.2 – 40.8 m <sup>3</sup>	
Solvent circulation time	36 min	105 min	146 min	41 min	71 min
→ corresponding solvent flow	1 m <sup>3</sup> /h	35 m <sup>3</sup> /h	25 m <sup>3</sup> /h	58 m <sup>3</sup> /h	34 m <sup>3</sup> /h



# Start-up & shut down of power-CCS systems

Rise in the frequency of start-up & shut down (SUSD) cycles is expected with higher iRES.

If CO<sub>2</sub> emissions increase considerably, this would undermine the value proposition of CCS as a flexible, low carbon asset.

## Objectives:

- Identify measures that can reduce/minimise CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and duration time of SUSD.
- Use a combination of dynamic modelling with plant test results (e.g., TCM, Boundary Dam, UKCCSRC PACT plant).

**SUSD Test Campaign at TCM with Cesar-1: 27 wt% AMP+ 13 wt% PZ**

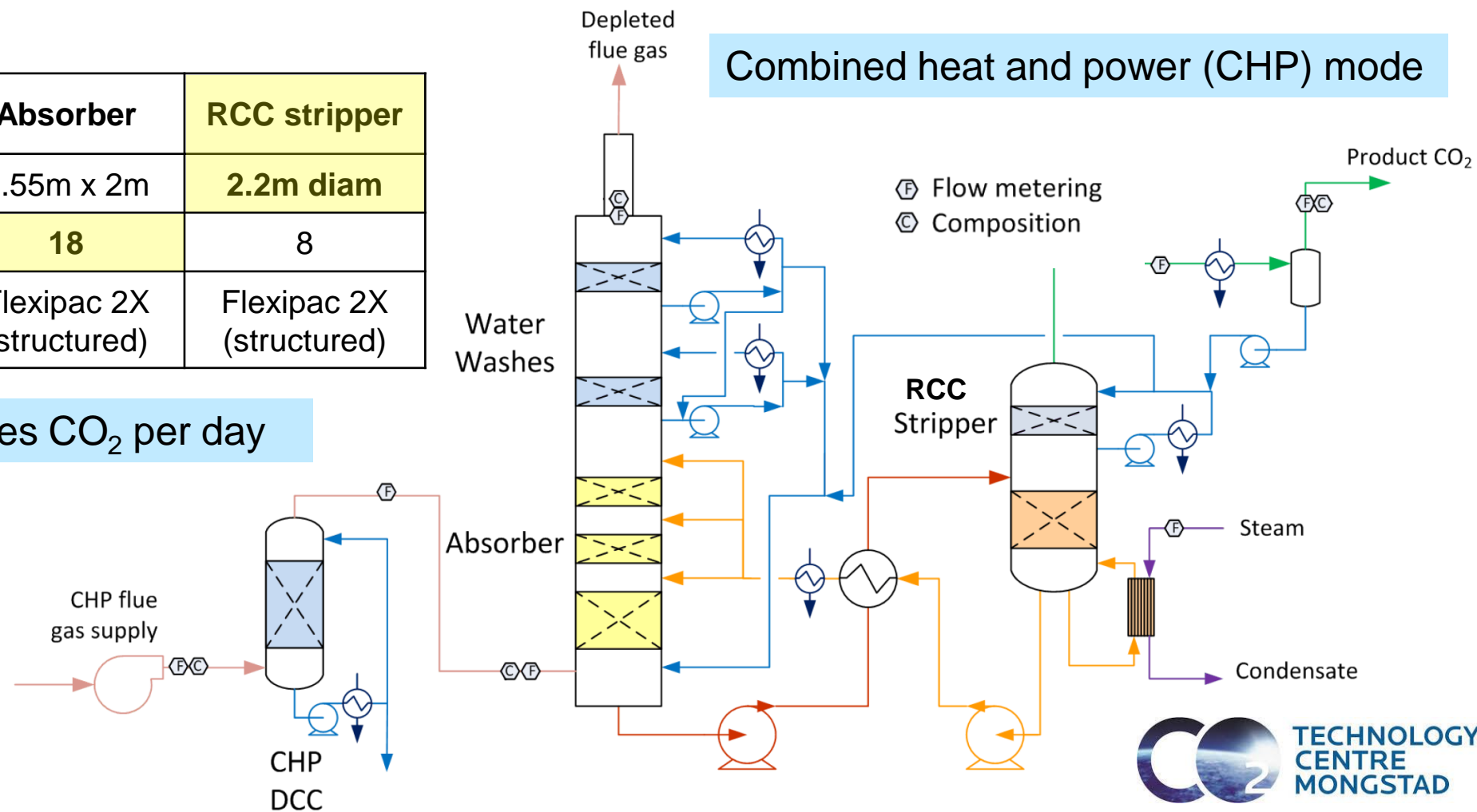
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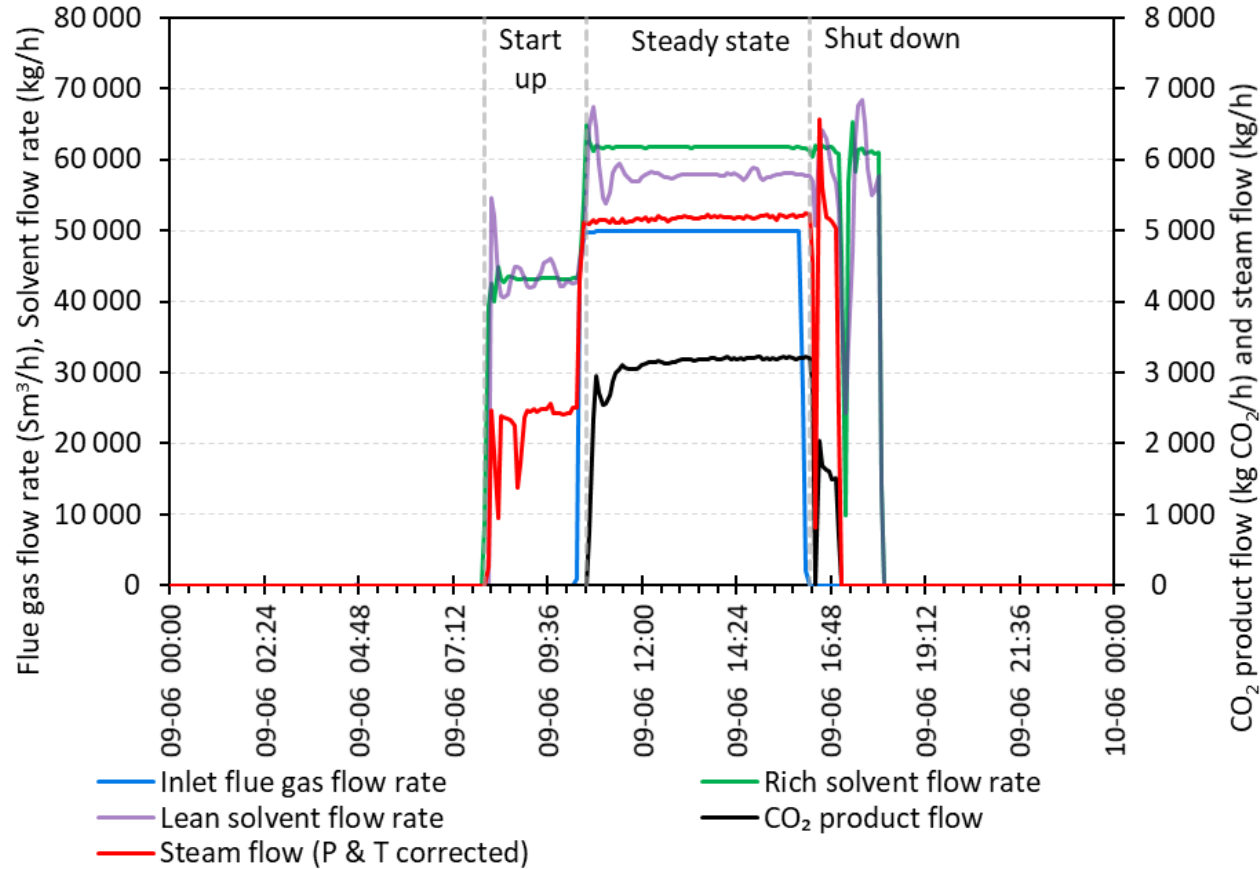
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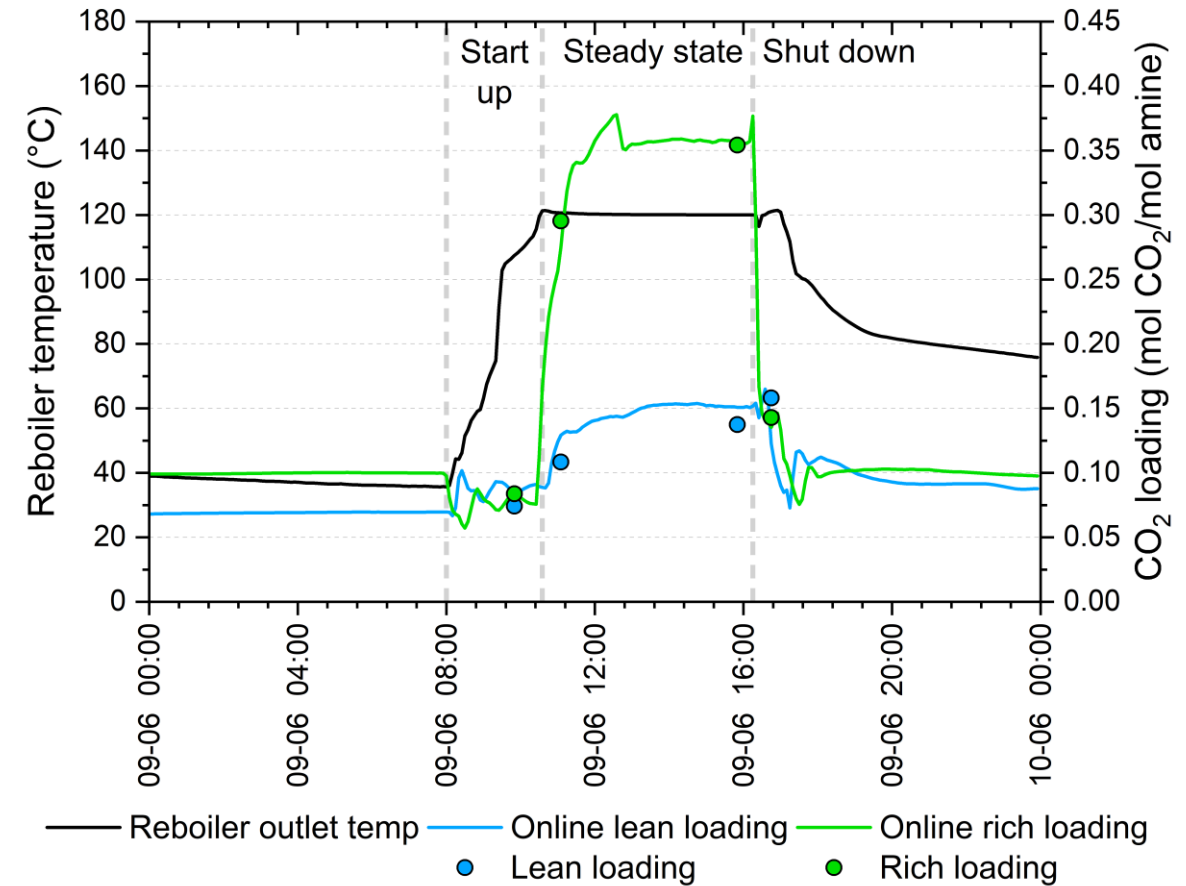


# Cold start-up and normal shut down

## Changes in key process parameters

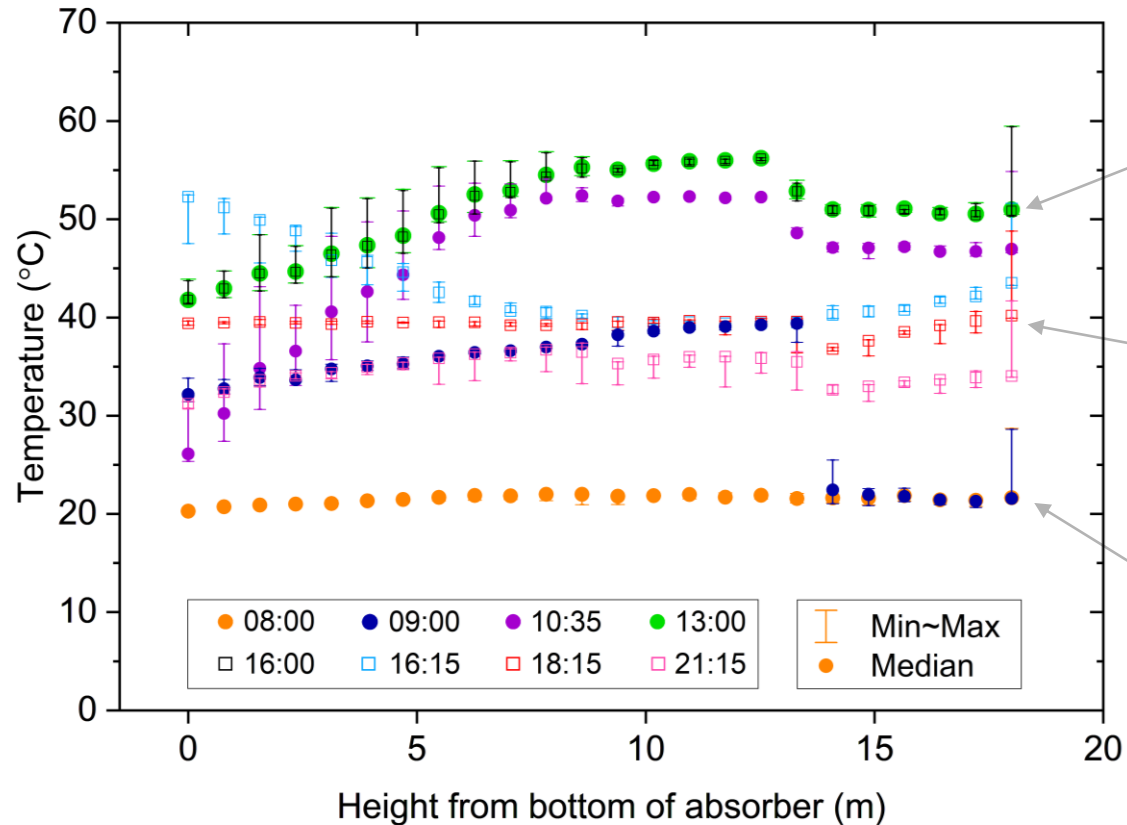


## Reboiler temp & $\text{CO}_2$ loading



# Column temp during cold start-up & normal shut down

## Absorber temperature profile

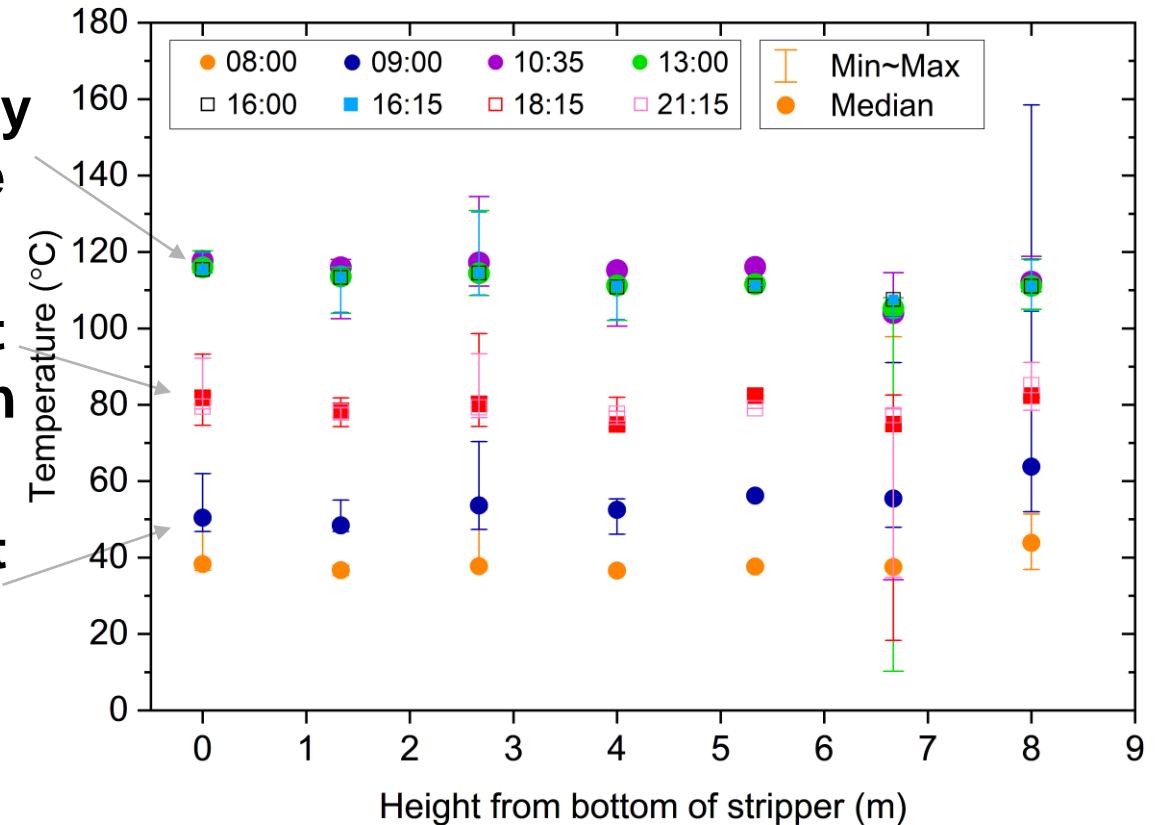


Steady state

Shut down

Start up

## Stripper temperature profile

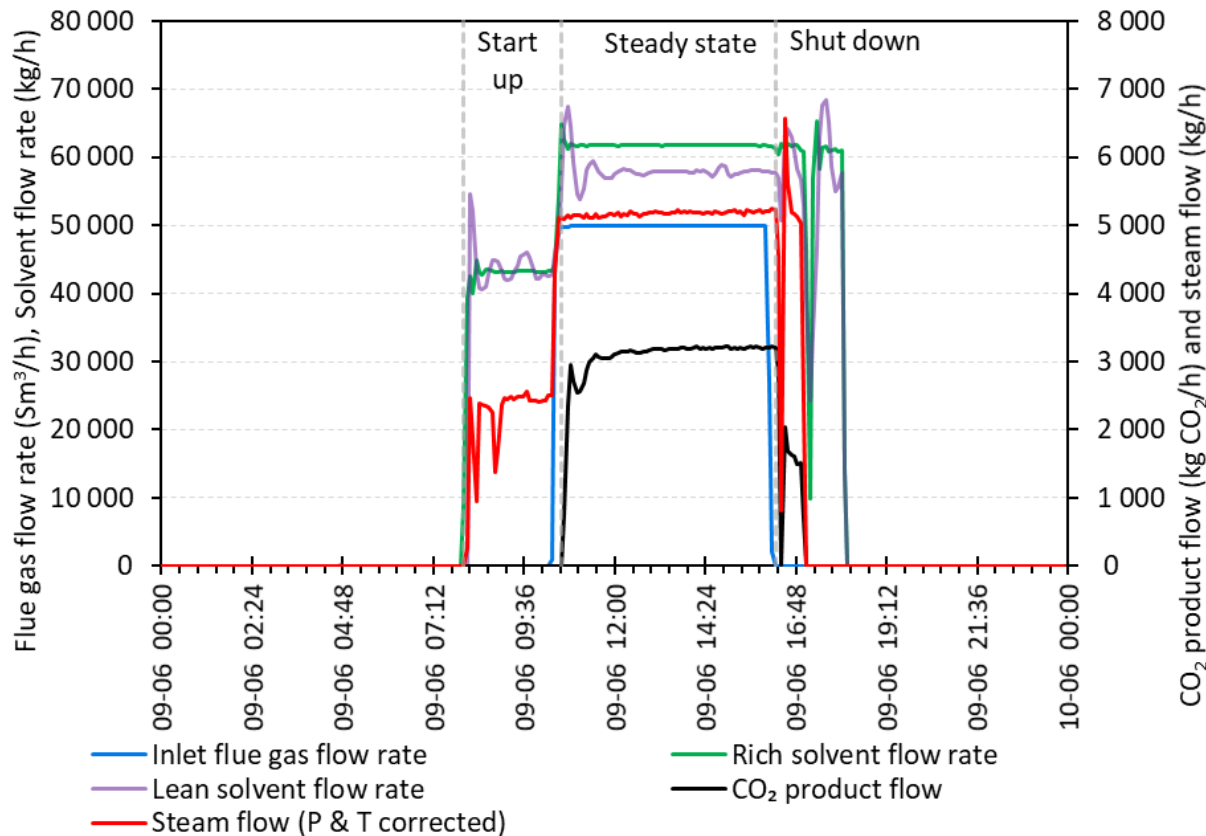


○ = Start-up, temp increasing      □ = Shut down, temp decreasing

# Cold vs Hot: Major difference in start-up time

Testing at TCM with Cesar-1: 27 wt% AMP+ 13 wt% PZ

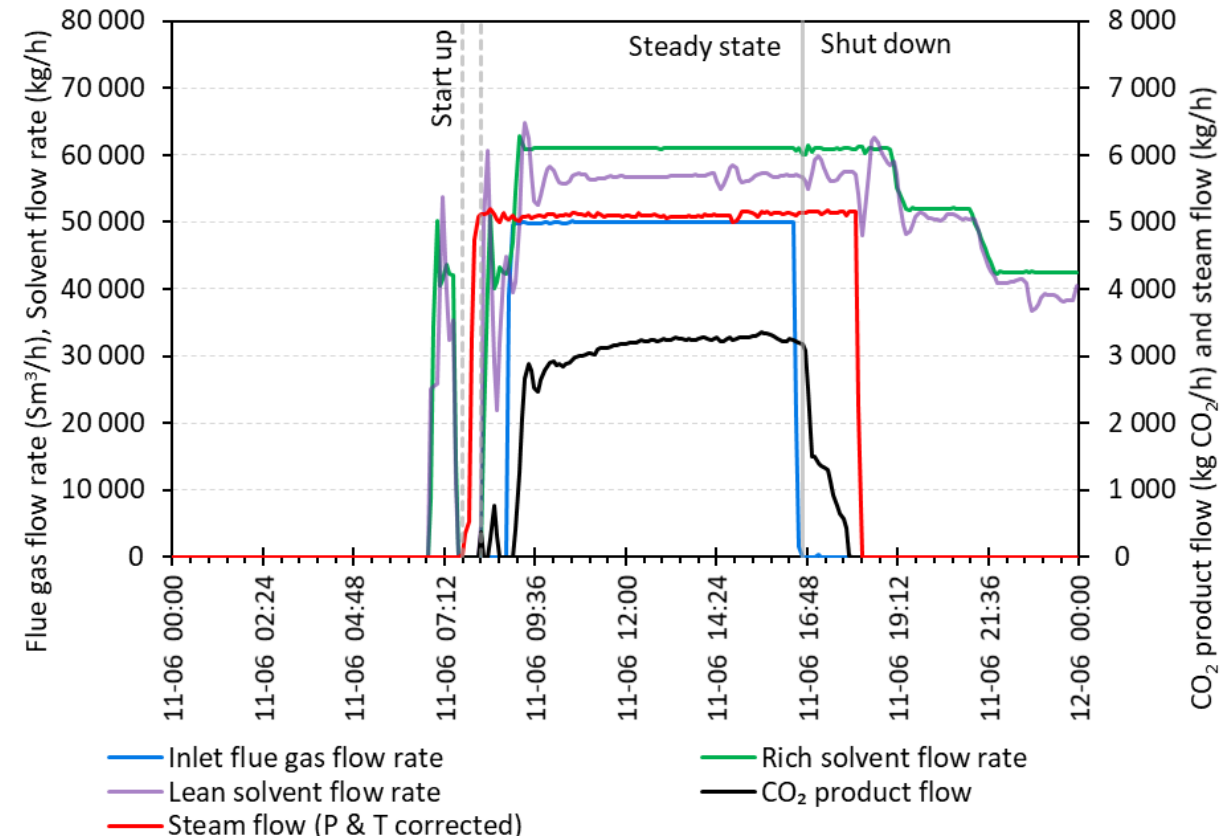
## Cold start-up



**Start-up time = 2 h 35 min**

Start-up time = time to reach target steam flow rate

## “Improved” hot start-up



**Start-up time = 30 min**

Conventional hot start-up = 1 h 55 min

# CCS start-up & shut down

Cold start-ups take longer and have higher CO<sub>2</sub> emissions compared to hot start-ups.

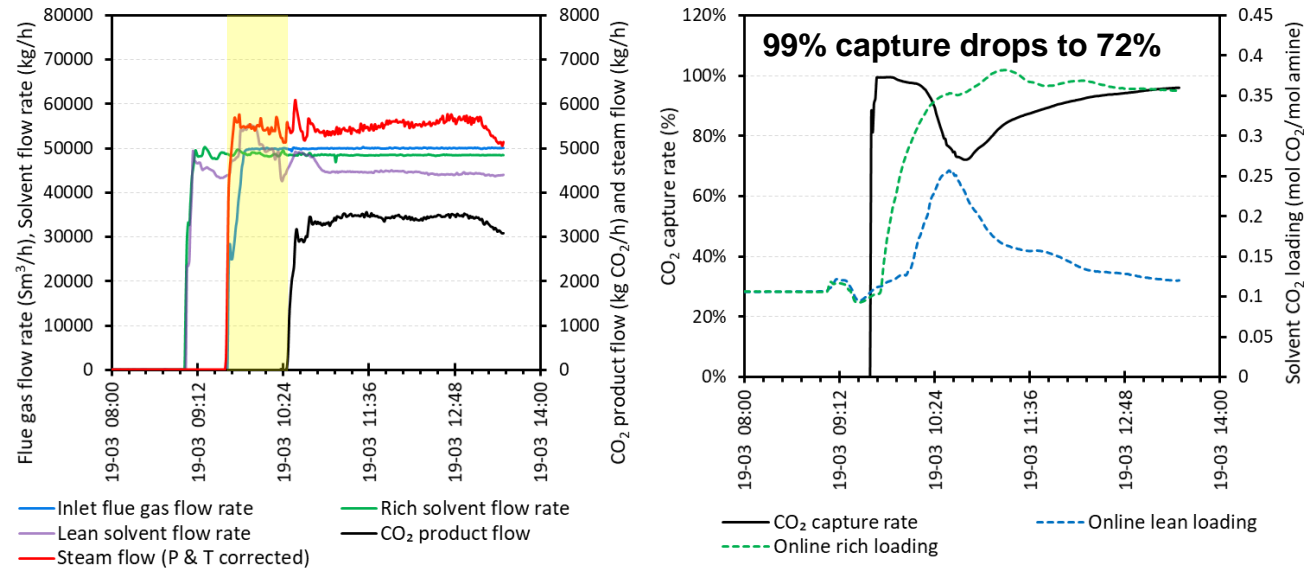
Steam availability – the earlier steam is available, the lower the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

Start-up with lower lean loading can provide higher capture rates of 99% initially.

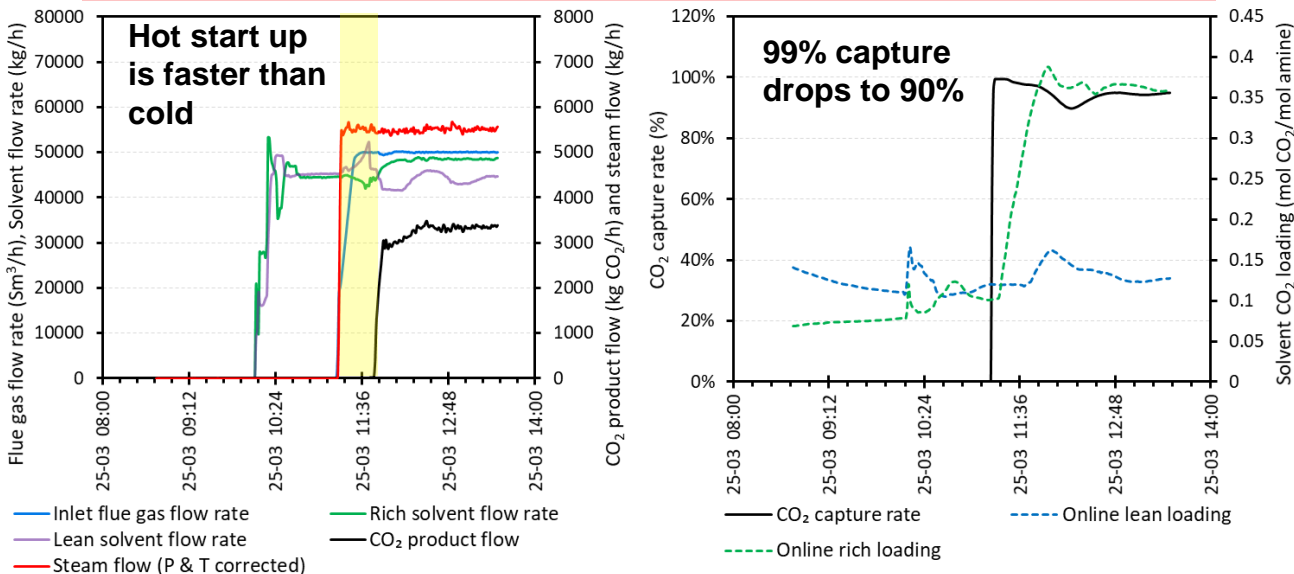
Different solvent inventories 40 m<sup>3</sup> vs 50 m<sup>3</sup>:

- Shut down is faster with a smaller inventory, leaning out a smaller volume
- Start-up benefits from larger inventory as the plant can sustain higher CO<sub>2</sub> capture rates for a longer during heating of plant.

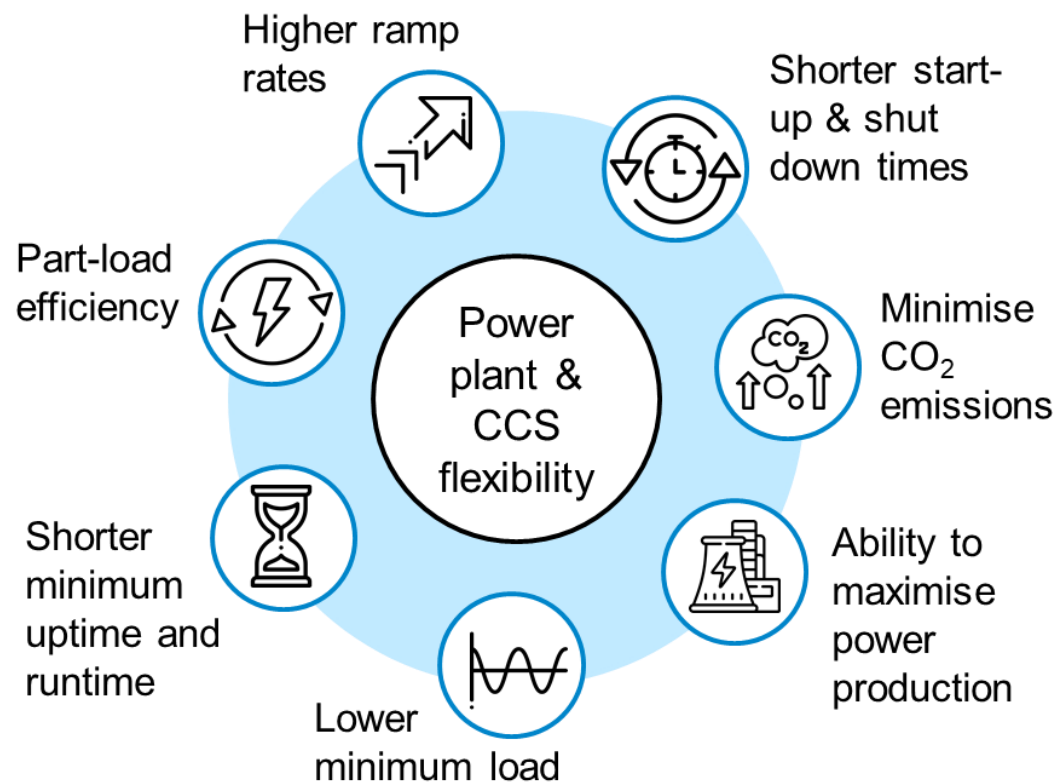
## Cold start-up



## Hot start-up



# Flexible operation of CO<sub>2</sub> capture plants



With more intermittent renewables in energy systems, power plants with CCS need to be highly flexible.

Pilot- or demonstration-scale studies of novel operation strategies provide certainty around technical feasibility.

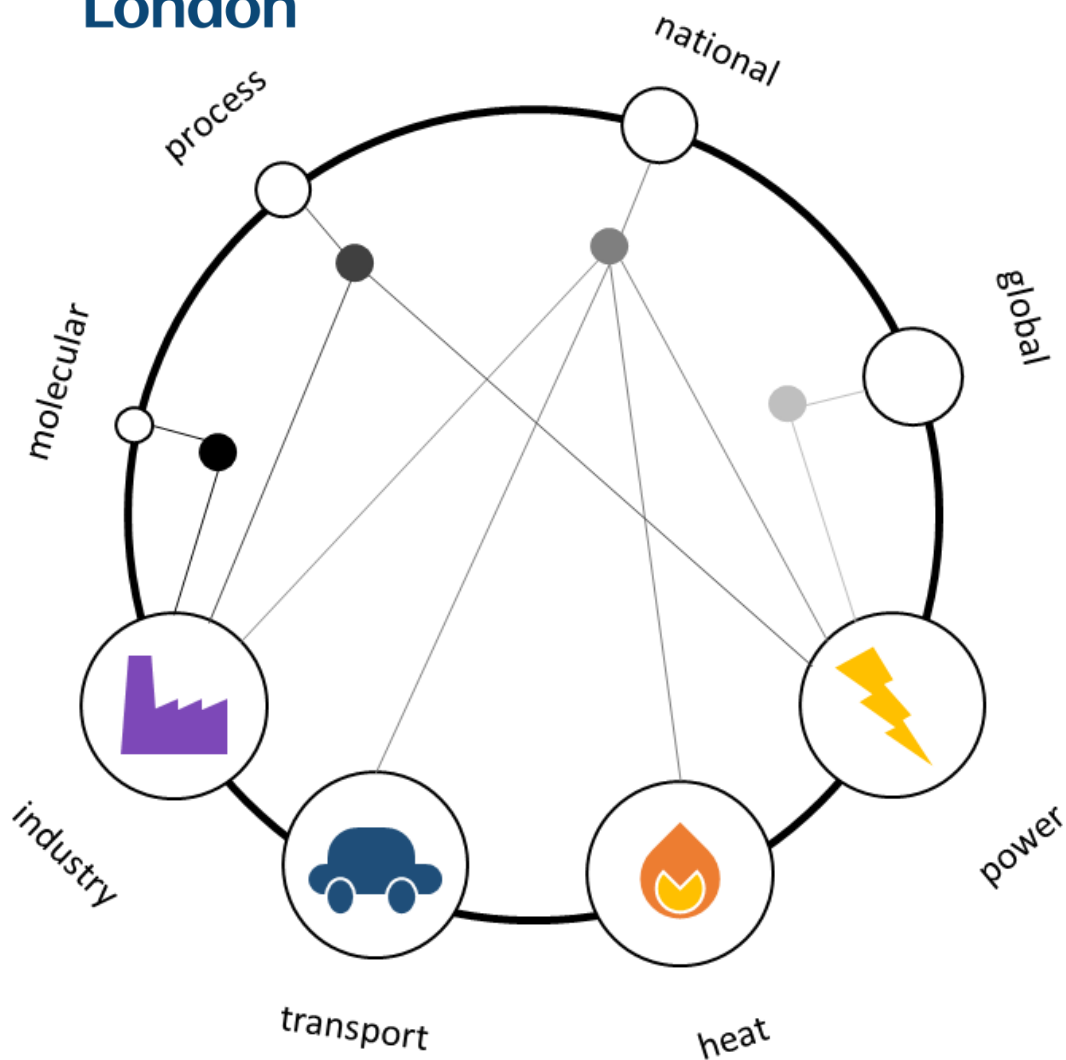
Pilot plant studies have demonstrated flexible operation in processes using MEA at different plant scales (pilot to demonstration scale). What about other solvent types?

To development robust dynamic process models:

- Availability of dynamic plant data is top priority,
- Ensure experimental methods provide reliable data.

Experimental R&D will help identify how to maximise flexibility through design/operation and optimised process control, especially during highly transient conditions, e.g., start-up, shut down.

# Role & value of carbon capture & storage



The technical elements of CCS are well-understood and the financial/commercial models are becoming increasingly clear.

Large-scale deployment CCS is needed for deep decarbonisation. There is substantial evidence of the economy-wide GDP and employment benefits associated with CCS deployment.

CCS to provide dispatchable, low-carbon power to balance the increased intermittent renewables.

CCS will also have important roles in greenhouse gas removal (GGR), hydrogen production and industrial decarbonisation.

# Extra slides



# Power plants are relatively flexible

Type of point		Start-up time*	Start-up cost (USD/MW instant start)	Minimum load [% P <sub>nom</sub> ]	Efficiency (at 100% load)	Efficiency (at 50% load)	Avg. ramp rate [% P <sub>nom</sub> /min]	Minimum uptime	Minimum downtime
Hard coal	Average plant	2-10 h <sup>a</sup>	> 100	25-40% <sup>a</sup>	43%	40%	1.5-4% <sup>a</sup>	48 h	48 h
	Post flexibilisation	80 min-6 h <sup>a</sup>	> 100	10-20% <sup>b</sup>	43%	40%	3-6% <sup>a</sup>	8 h	8 h
Lignite	Average plant	4-10 h <sup>a</sup>	> 100	50-60% <sup>a</sup>	40%	35%	1-2% <sup>a</sup>	48 h	48 h
	Post flexibilisation	75 min-8 h <sup>c</sup>	> 100	10-40% <sup>b</sup>	40%	35%	2-6% <sup>c</sup>	8 h	8 h
CCGT	Average plant	1-4 h <sup>a</sup>	55	40-50% <sup>a</sup>	52-57%	47-51%	2-4% <sup>a</sup>	4 h	2 h
	Post flexibilisation Initiatives	30 min-3 h <sup>a</sup>	55	20-40% <sup>c</sup>	52-57%	47-51%	8-11% <sup>c</sup>	4 h	2 h
OCGT	Average plant	5-11 min	< 1-70	40-50%	35-39%	27-32%	8-12%	10-30 min	30-60 min
	Post flexibilisation/ advanced plant	5-10 min	< 1-70	20-50%	35-39%	27-32%	8-15%	10-30 min	30-60 min
ICE <sup>c</sup>	Average plant	5 min	< 1	20% (per unit)	45-47%	45-47%	> 100%	< 1 min	5 min
	Post flexibilisation/ advanced plant	2 min	< 1	10% (per unit)	45-47%	45-47%	> 100%	< 1 min	5 min

\* Start-up times are longer for cold start-up (plant shut for more than 48 hours) than for hot start-up (plant shut for less than 8 hours).

**Notes:** h = hour; min = minute; MW = megawatt; P<sub>nom</sub> = nominal power. ICE = Natural gas fired internal combustion engine

**Sources:** <sup>a</sup>Agora Energiewende (2017); <sup>b</sup>Henderson (2014); <sup>c</sup>Feldmüller (2017); <sup>d</sup>Wärtsilä and Roam Consulting (2018).

Improvement to plant flexibility could provide reduced USD times.

Natural gas-fired systems are comparatively more flexible than coal-fired systems in terms of start up time and ramp rates

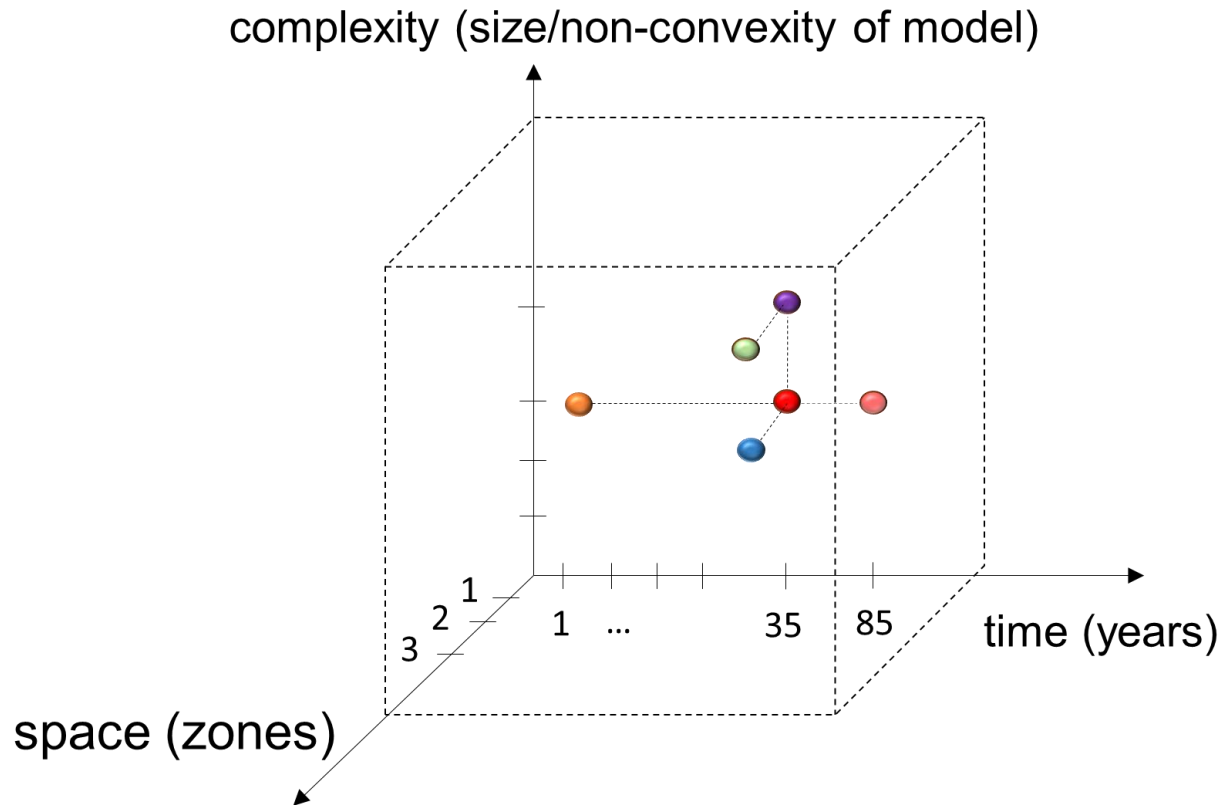
Novel flexible operation strategies shown to be feasible at demonstration scale.

**Time-varying solvent regeneration:** CO<sub>2</sub> can be “stored” within the amine liquid

**Variable ramp rate:** different ramp rates can be applied in succession. By maintaining a constant L/G ratio, CO<sub>2</sub> capture performance (capture % and loading) will remain constant

**Start-up and shut down protocols:** demonstrated strategies to reduce start up and shut down time and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

This dynamic data has been published, making it available for others to use for dynamic model development.



Available in GAMS, AIMMS,  
(soon) python/pyomo

## Characteristic

## Model Name

1 node, clustered  
and full hourly, one  
year



ESO

1 node, full hourly,  
35 years



ESO-X

1 node, 35 years,  
endog. tech. LR



ESO-XEL

multi-zone,  
clustered time



ESONE-X/-XEL

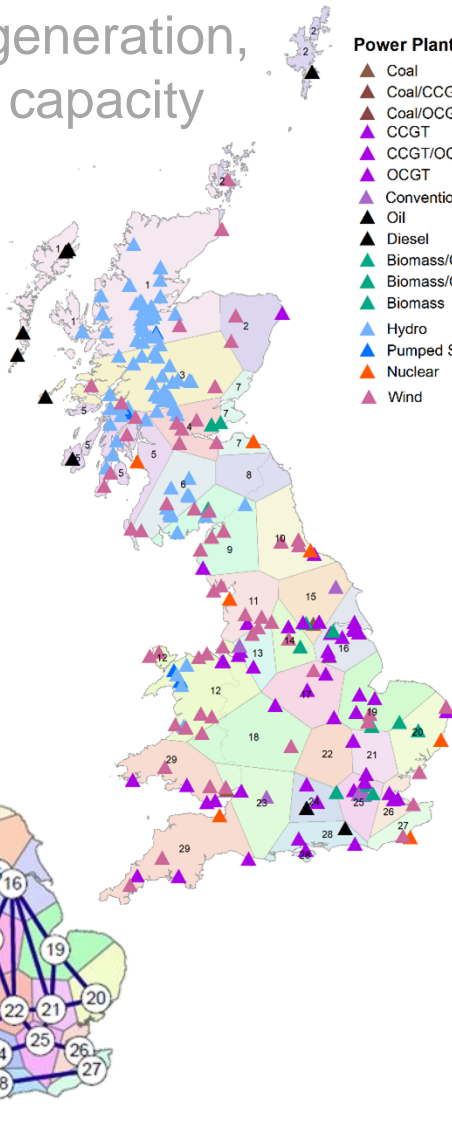
# ESONE Model Formulation

Power generation,  
storage capacity

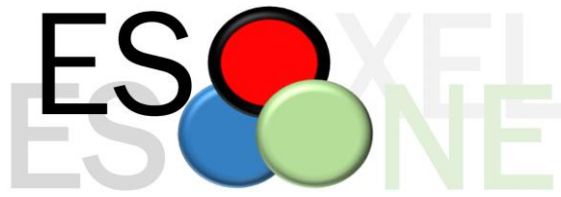
**Power Plant Type**

- ▲ Coal
- ▲ Coal/CCGT/OCGT
- ▲ Coal/OCGT
- ▲ CCGT
- ▲ CCGT/OCGT
- ▲ OCGT
- ▲ Conventional Thermal Gas
- ▲ Oil
- ▲ Diesel
- ▲ Biomass/Coal/OCGT
- ▲ Biomass/OCGT
- ▲ Biomass
- ▲ Hydro
- ▲ Pumped Storage
- ▲ Nuclear
- ▲ Wind





Transmission  
capacity



$\forall i \in I$ $\forall a \in A$	<b>Capacity expansion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial supply and transmission capacity</li> <li>Build rate constraints (supply, store, transmiss.)</li> <li>Life time constraints</li> <li>Maximum resource constraints</li> </ul>
$\forall c \in C$	<b>System-wide constraints</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electricity demand</li> <li>Reserve requirements</li> <li>Inertia requirements</li> <li>Emission target</li> </ul>
$\forall z \in Z$	<b>Transmission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transmission between zones</li> </ul>
$\forall t \in T$	<b>Tech.-wise constraints</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power, Reserve, inertia provision</li> <li>Flexibility of generation/storage units</li> <li>Carbon emissions by technology</li> <li>Uptime and downtime</li> </ul>
	<b>Integer scheduling</b>	
<i>sum</i>	<b>Objective</b>	$\min \{ \text{CAPEX} + \text{mode-specific OPEX} \}$



# ESO-X Model Formulation

Characteristic		Model Name
1 node, clustered and full hourly, one year		ESO
1 node, full hourly, 35 years		ESO-X
1 node, 35 years, endog. tech. LR		ESO-XEL
multi-zone, clustered time		ESONE-X/-XEL

$\forall i \in I$ $\forall a \in A$	Capacity expansion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial supply capacity</li> <li>Build rate constraints (supply, store)</li> <li>Life time constraints</li> <li>Maximum resource constraints</li> </ul>
$\forall c \in C$	System-wide constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Electricity demand</li> <li>Reserve requirements</li> <li>Inertia requirements</li> <li>Emission target</li> </ul>
$\forall t \in T$	Tech.-wise constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power, Reserve, inertia provision</li> <li>Flexibility of generation/storage units</li> <li>Carbon emissions by technology</li> <li>Uptime and downtime</li> </ul>
	Integer scheduling	
$sum$	Objective	$\min \{ \text{CAPEX} + \text{mode-specific OPEX} \}$