

Biomass for energy fuels & chemicals

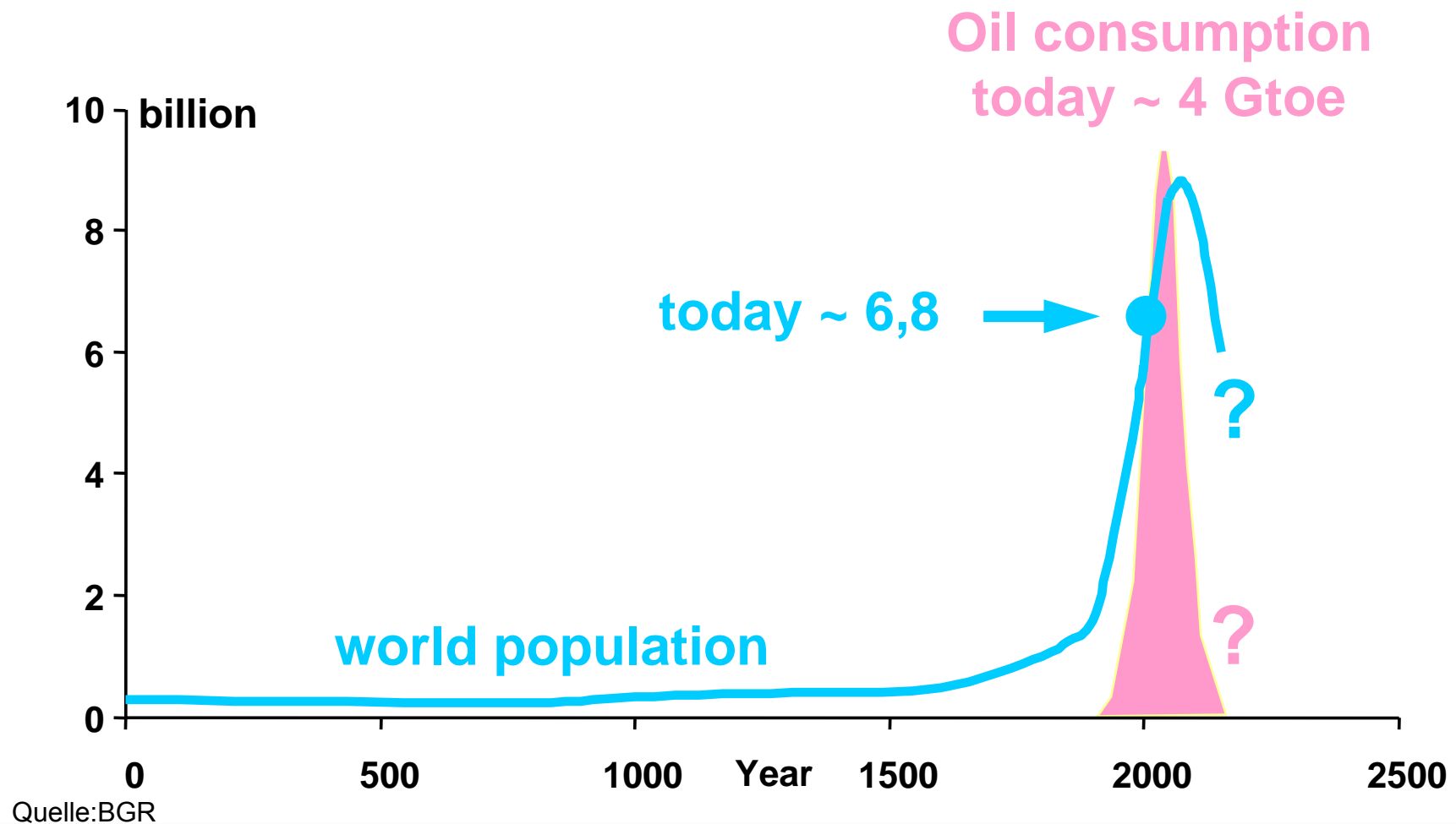
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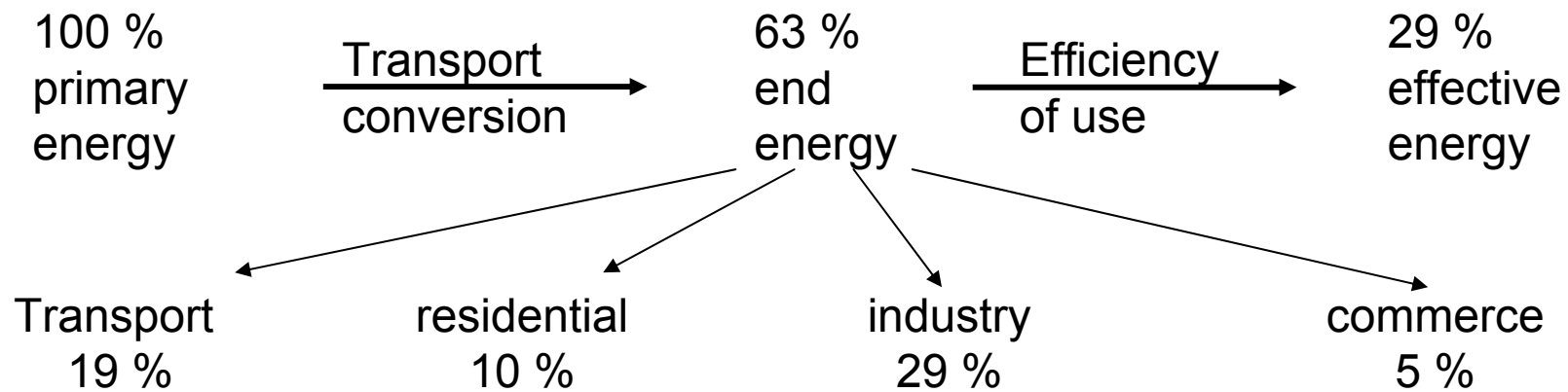
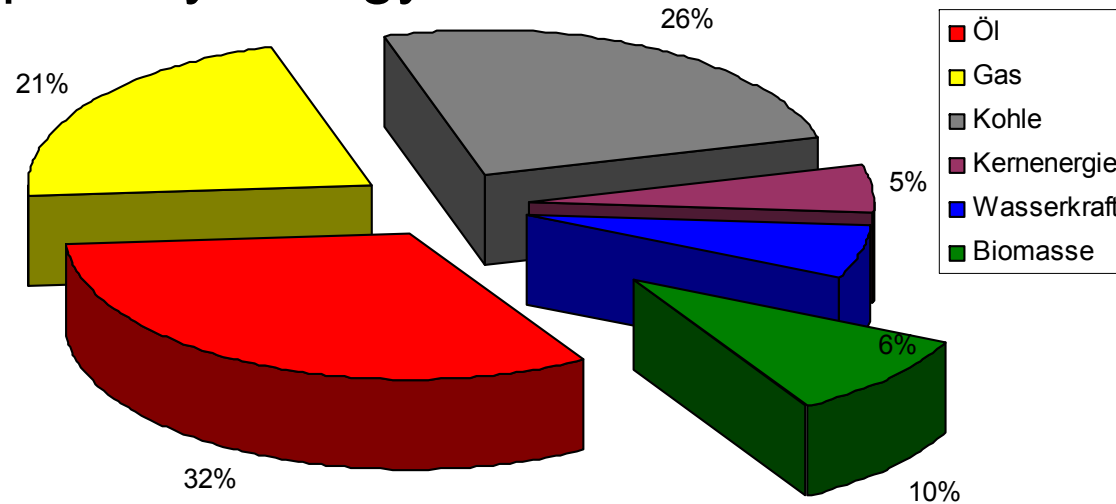


Oil era – 2500 years time window



World-wide energy system

Total: about 12 Gtoe primary energy



Global biomass production

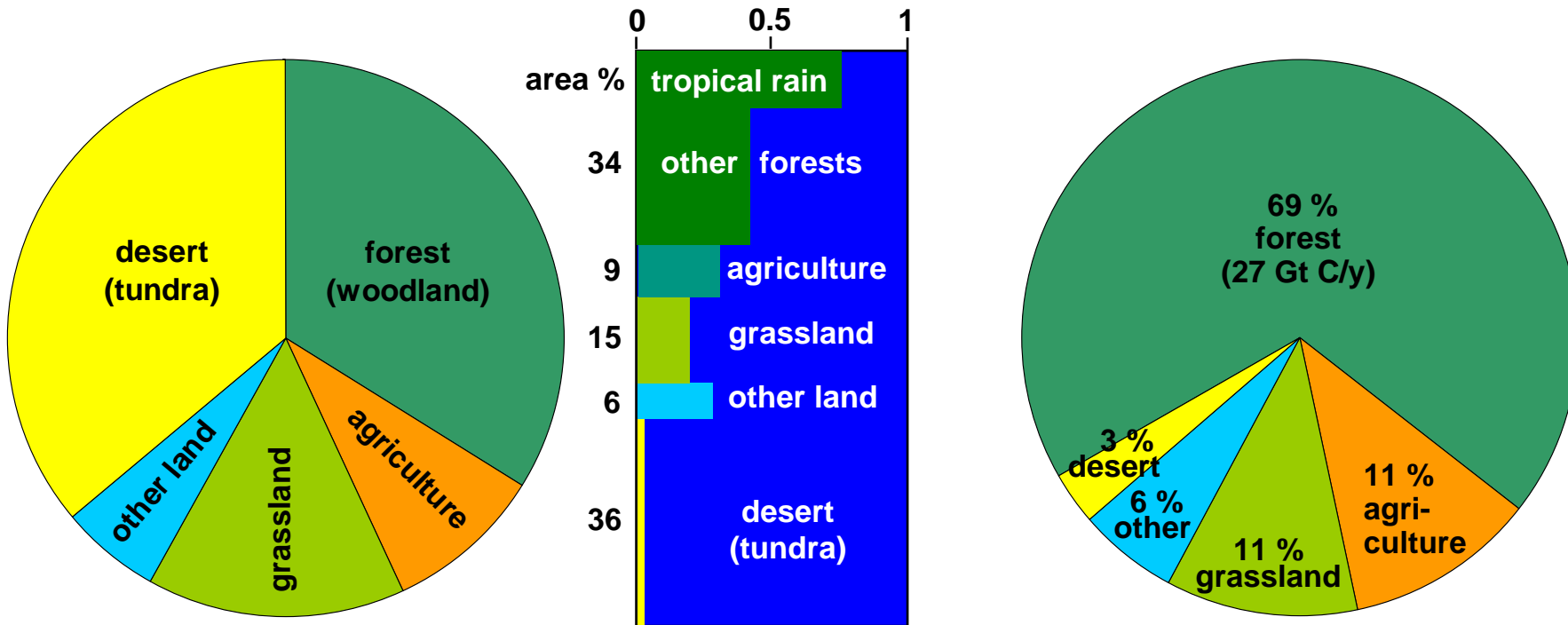


ecosystems

oceans 351 million km² (71 %)
land 149 million km² (29 %)

net biomass productivity
kg C per m²

net biomass production
ocean ~ 25 Gt C/y, land ~ 40 Gt C/y
total ~ 65 Gt C per year



energy conversion factors:

1 tC ≈ 1.12 tce ≈ 0.77 toe ≈ ca. 2 t
carbon coal oil dry biomass

Production and use of land biomass

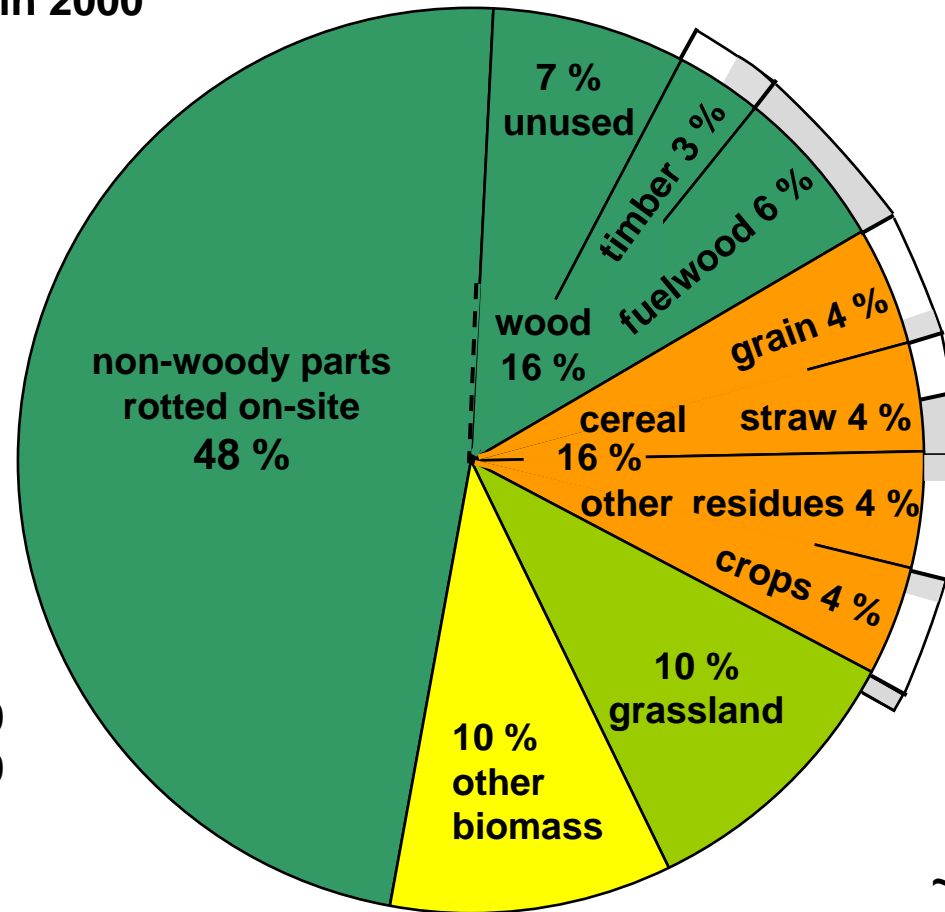


30 Gtoe land biomass in 2000
(32 Gtoe in 2100)

69 % forests, 1/4 wood
11 % agriculture
10 % grassland
10 % other biomass

1 Gtoe biofuel in 2000
4 Gtoe biofuel in 2100

~ 50 % fuelwood
~ 25 % agroresidues
~ 25 % biowastes



year 2100 percentage

forestry:

1.5 % "timber" waste
6 % fuelwood

agriculture:

0.7 % "grain" waste
2 % cereal straw
0.6 % other residues
0.7 % "crop" waste
0.4 % unsuited hay

~ 9 % wood and 'straw'
~ 3 % biowaste

Maximum bioenergy scenario

crude estimate for 150 Mkm² global land area



		Gt/a	
		upgrowth	bioenergy
forests 1 kg/m ² *a			
50 Mkm ² :	<i>average upgrowth</i>	50	→ 5
grassland 0,5 kg/m ² *a			
20 Mkm ² :	<i>for animal food, business as usual</i>	10	→ 0
agriculture 2 kg/m ² *a (harvest)			
10 Mkm ² :	<i>for food and feed, SCP and irrigation</i>	20	→ ^{25 % residues} 5
10 Mkm ² :	<i>energy plantations, organic material</i>	20	→ 20
sum: 90 Mkm ² :	without ca. 60 Mkm ² desert, tundra,...	100	→ 30

30 Gt/a dry lignocellulose correspond to 12 Gtoe/a, the present primary energy need

Competitive use of biomass



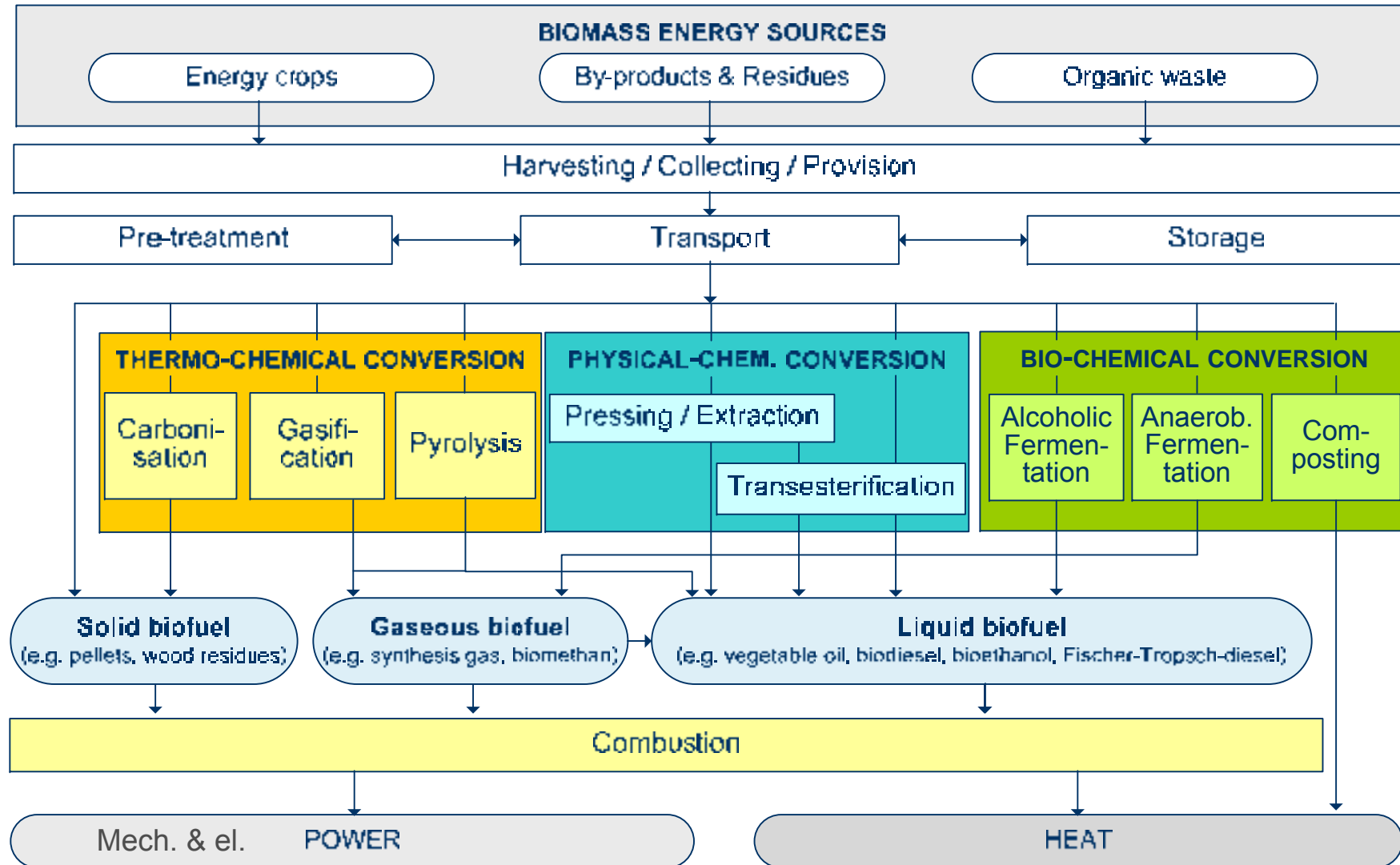
human and animal
food

decreasing
priority →

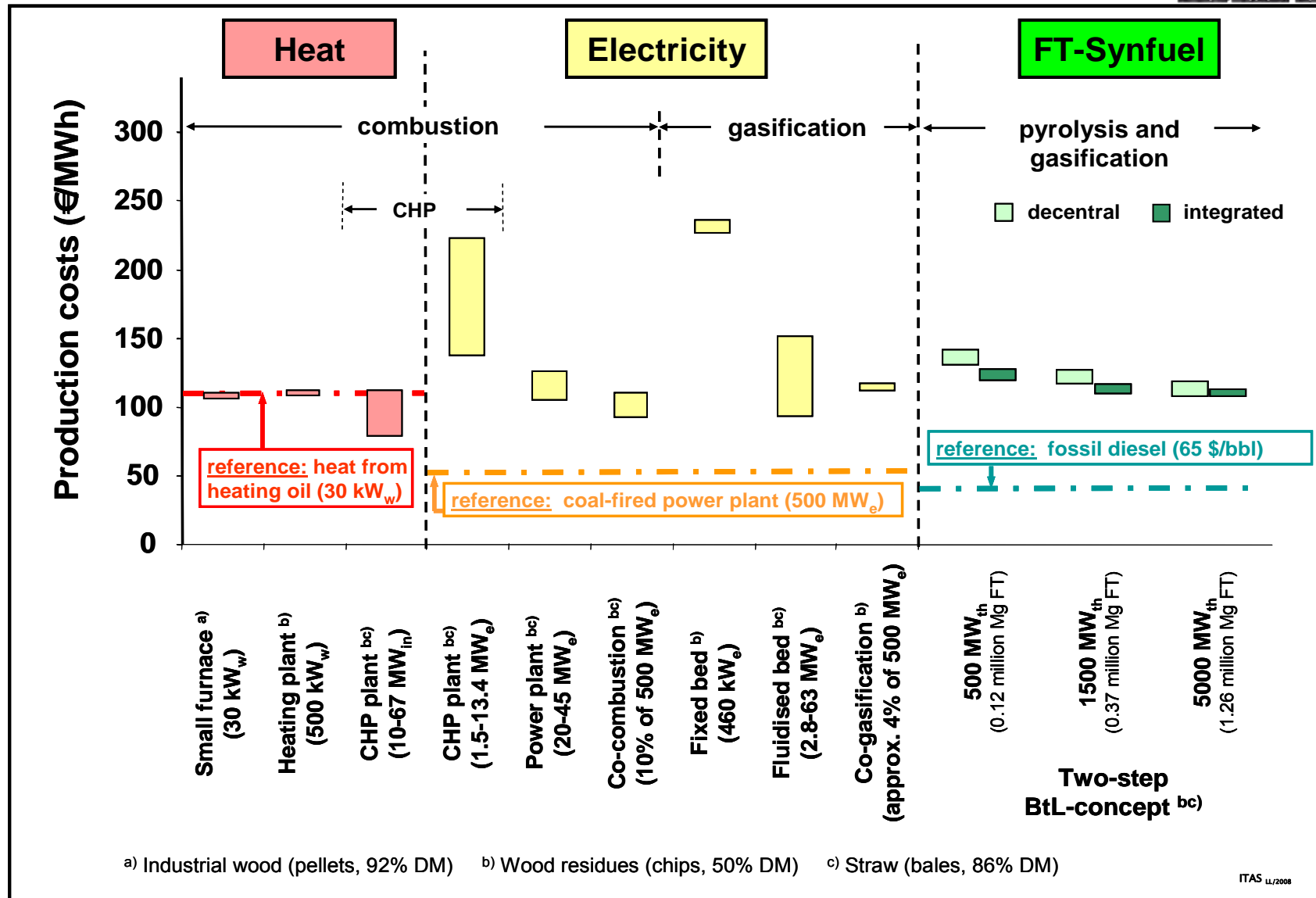
bioenergy

- wood (construction material)
- organic raw materials (cellulose, paper, cotton, rubber latex...)
- biorefinery: BtC (carbon products)
The organic chemical industry of the future are bio-chemical, thermo-chemical, physico-chemical conversion processes
- ore reductant (iron)
- high T process heat (cement, lime, ceramic...)
- residential fuel
- CHP
- Co-firing

Utilization options of biomass for energy



Production costs of heat, electricity and FT-Synfuel from wood residues and cereal straw (basis 2006)

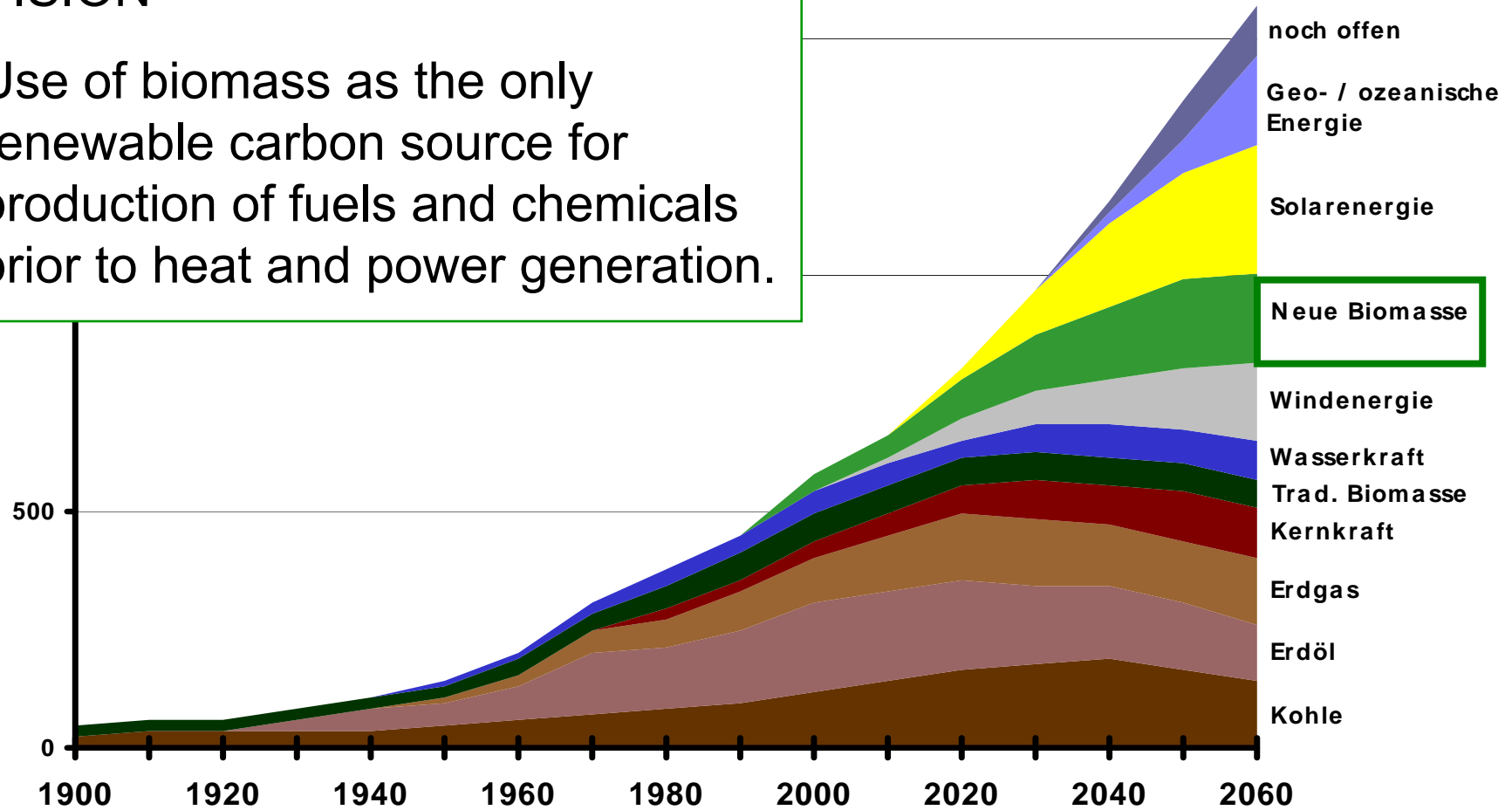


World primary energy demand 2060



VISION

Use of biomass as the only renewable carbon source for production of fuels and chemicals prior to heat and power generation.



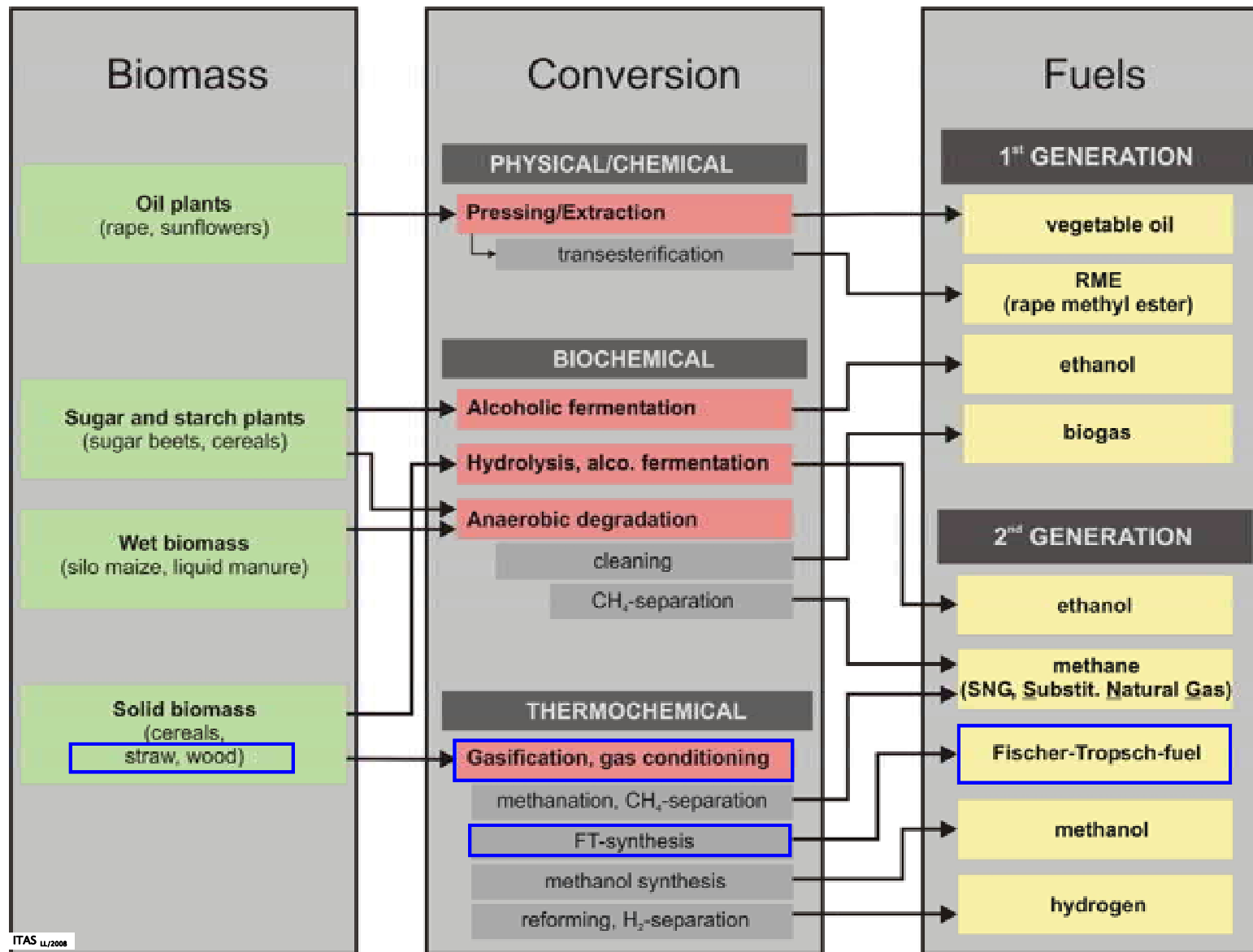
Quelle: Deutsche Shell AG

Opening statements to the use of Biomass



- Biomass is the only renewable carbon source!
- Biomass should be used favourably for organic chemicals and fuel production instead of electrical power and heat generation!
- Syngas and its main constituent, Hydrogen, are key intermediates for synthetic chemistry!
- Synthetic fuels are promising products to begin with!
- Technologies already proved for other applications should be utilized!
- Technologies used have to be suitable for high capacities!
- New structures of agricultural production are required!
- Biomass stems from our biosphere – sustainable use!

Routes for the production of fuels from biomass



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Biofuels - comparison



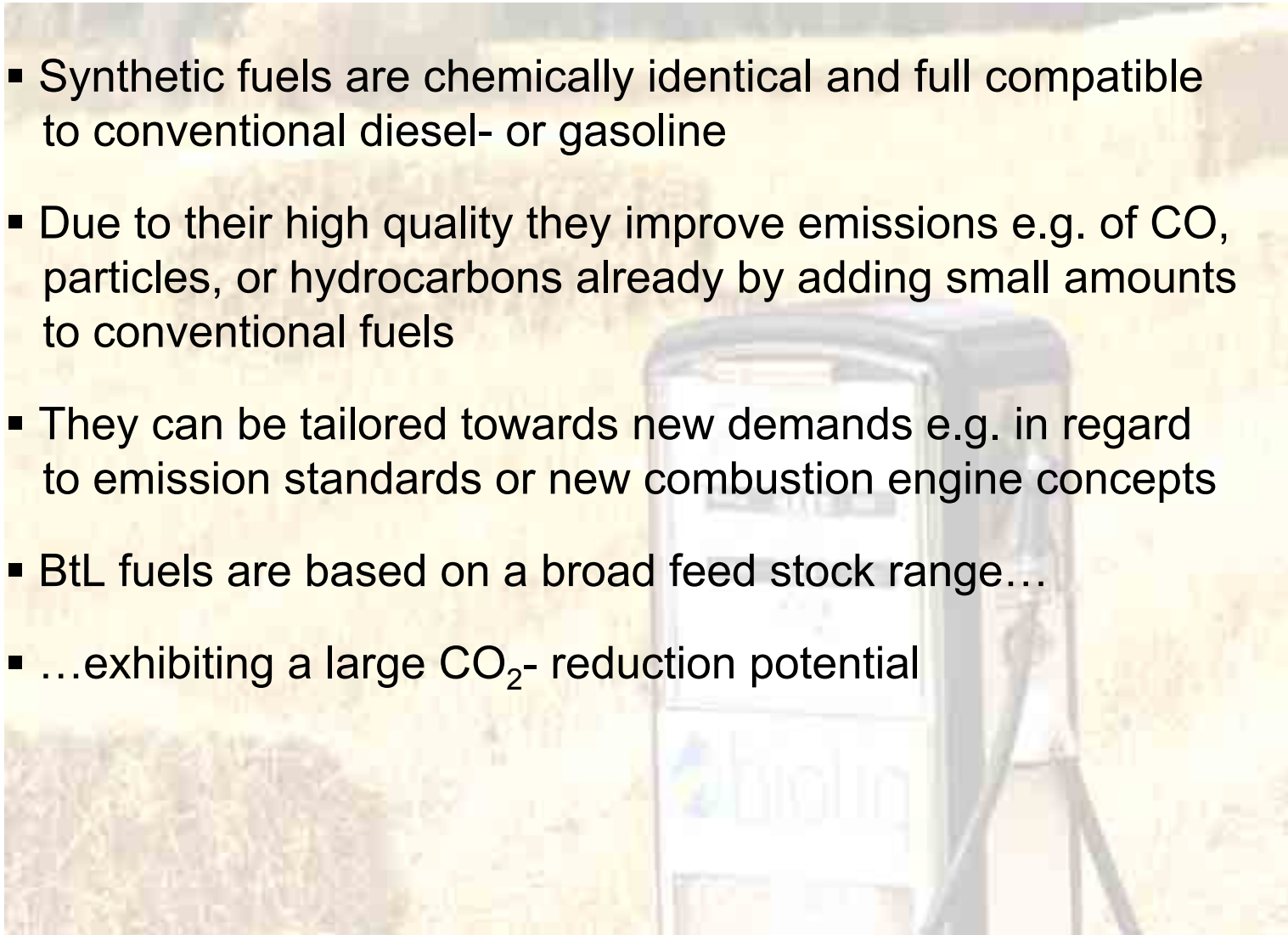
	Energy harvest GJ/ha	Fuel yield l/ha	Netto energy yield GJ/ha	GHG reduction t/ha
Biodiesel Rape seed	52	1450	38	3
Palm oil	144	4000 (6000)	75	9
HVO	98	2730	35	5.5
BTL	135	3910	114	10
Bioethanol Sugar cain/beet	135	4160	116	10
Maize	79	2440	40	1.9
Biogas	178	4980	130	7.4

Source: FNR

BtL synthetic fuels (biomass to liquids)



- Synthetic fuels are chemically identical and full compatible to conventional diesel- or gasoline
- Due to their high quality they improve emissions e.g. of CO, particles, or hydrocarbons already by adding small amounts to conventional fuels
- They can be tailored towards new demands e.g. in regard to emission standards or new combustion engine concepts
- BtL fuels are based on a broad feed stock range...
- ...exhibiting a large CO₂- reduction potential



Feedstock – dry lignocellulose“

■ Agriculture

- Straw, hay,
- Energy crops

■ Forestry

- Residual wood
- Short rotation plantation

■ Land cultivation residues

- Cultivation wood
- Cultivation hay

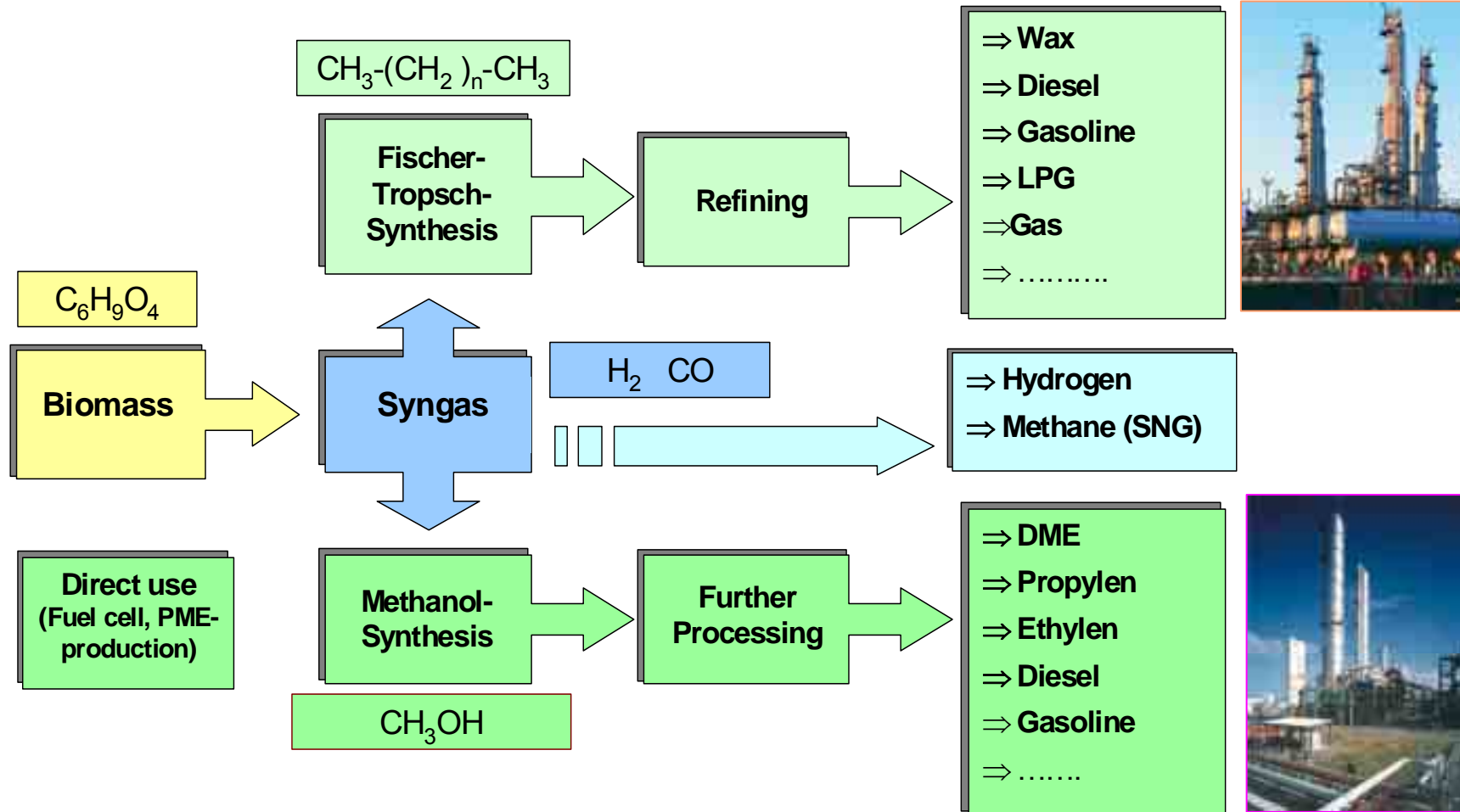


Feedstock requirements



- Humidity/water content
 - is not critical to the process, but reduces its efficiency
 - Drying on the field (storability)
 - Initial water content < 15 % (air dried)
 - Process internal further drying
- Composition
 - any ratio of cellulose, hemicellulose and lignin possible
- Mineral content/Contaminants
 - low contents of chlorine and sulfur desirable
- Delivery in form of bales, grinded and loose material,
 - transportation costs are determining

Chemical pathways to synthetic fuels



Hurdles in large scale biomass utilization

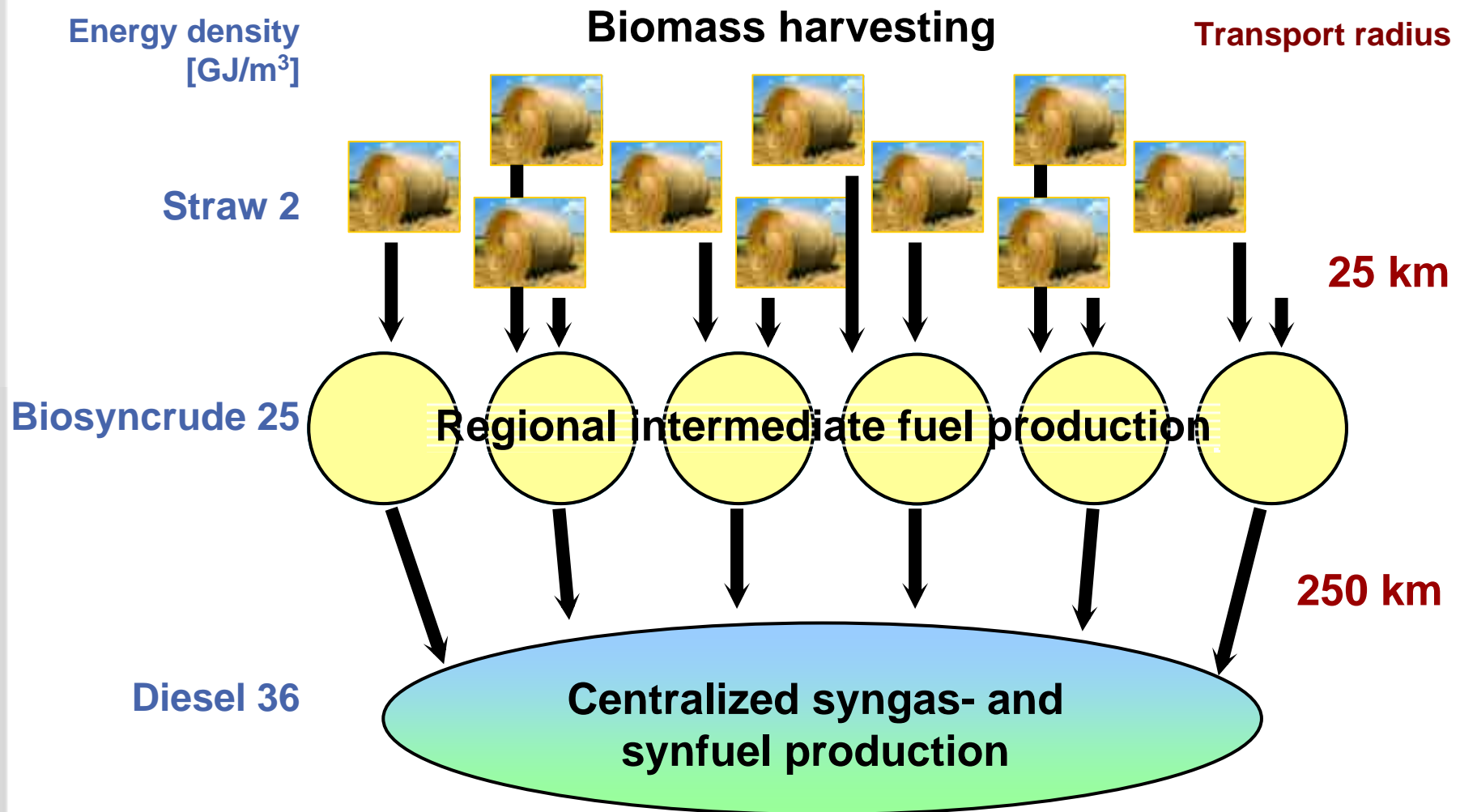


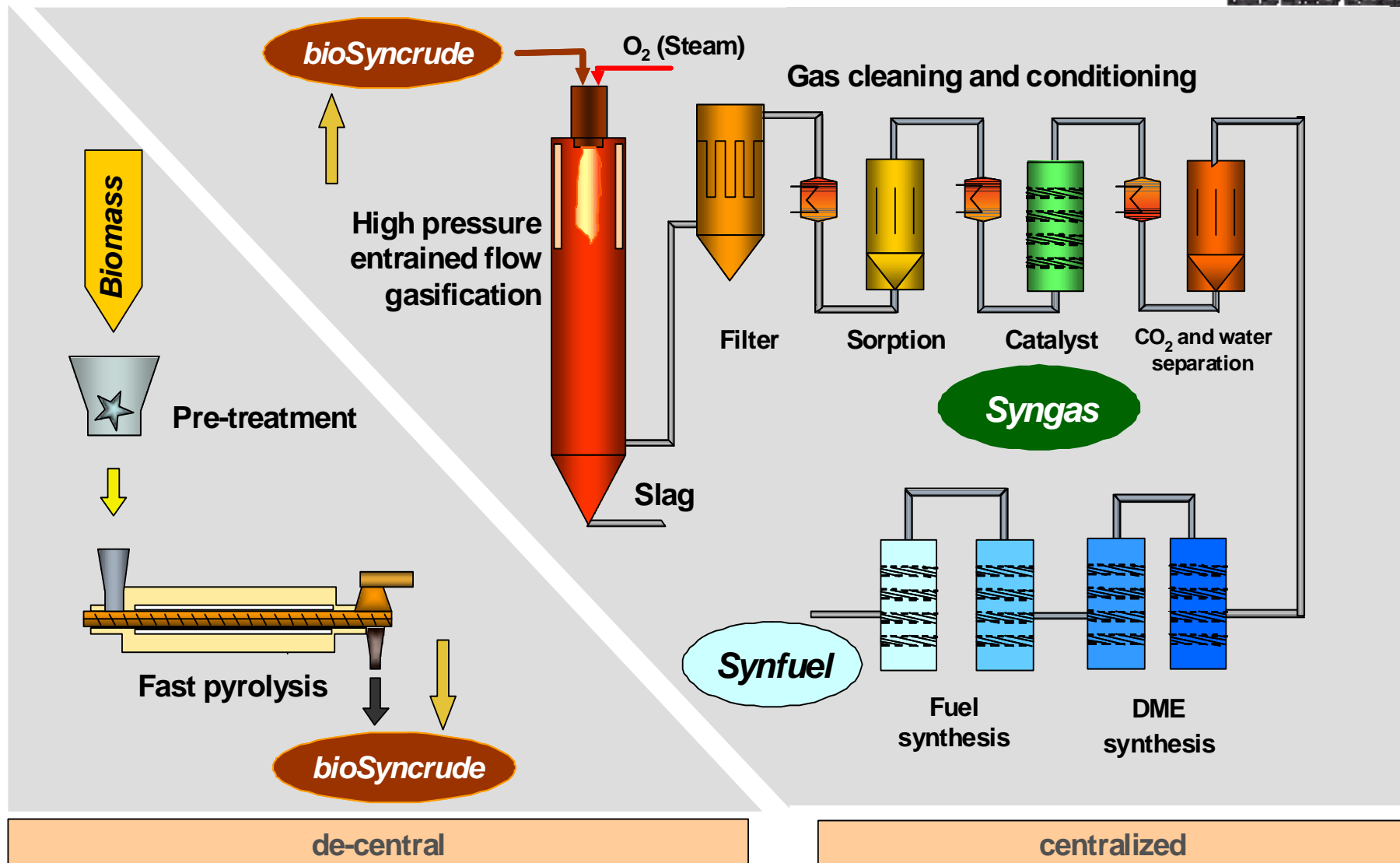
- Low volumetric energy density
- Widely distributed and periodical occurrence
- Heterogeneous solid fuels
- High competition in biomass use
- High ash and salt contents
- Direct gasification is problematic
- Downstream syntheses require high pressures

Syngas and Synfuel production from dry biomass

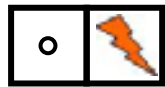


The - slurry gasification concept

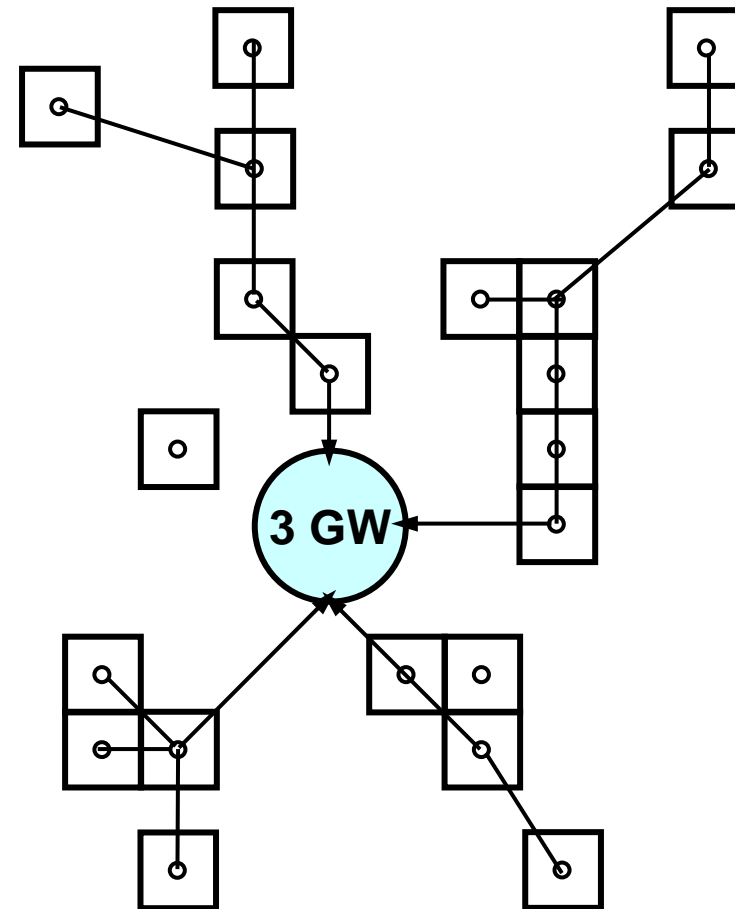
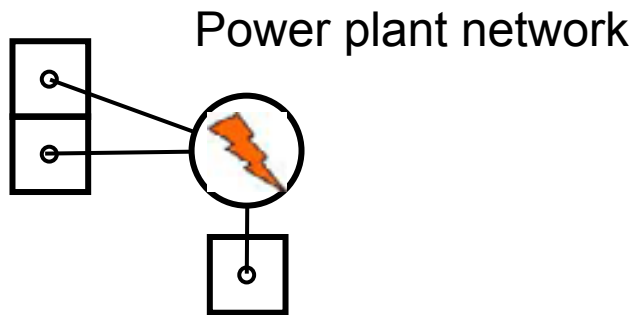




Stepwise implementation plan

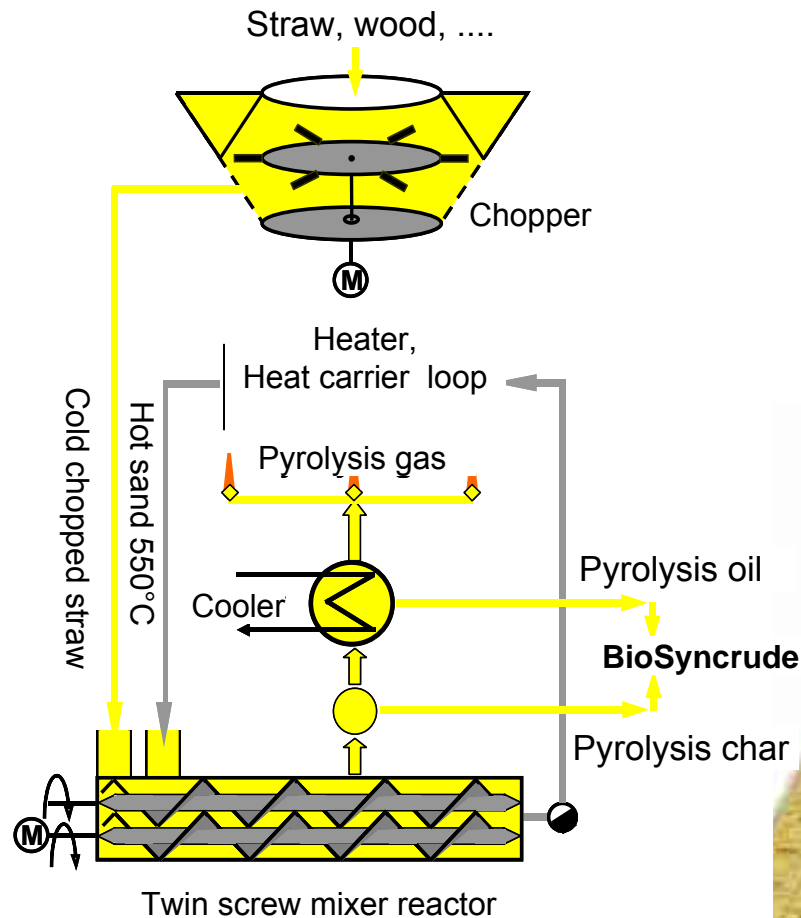


First plant
(demonstration,
CHP)



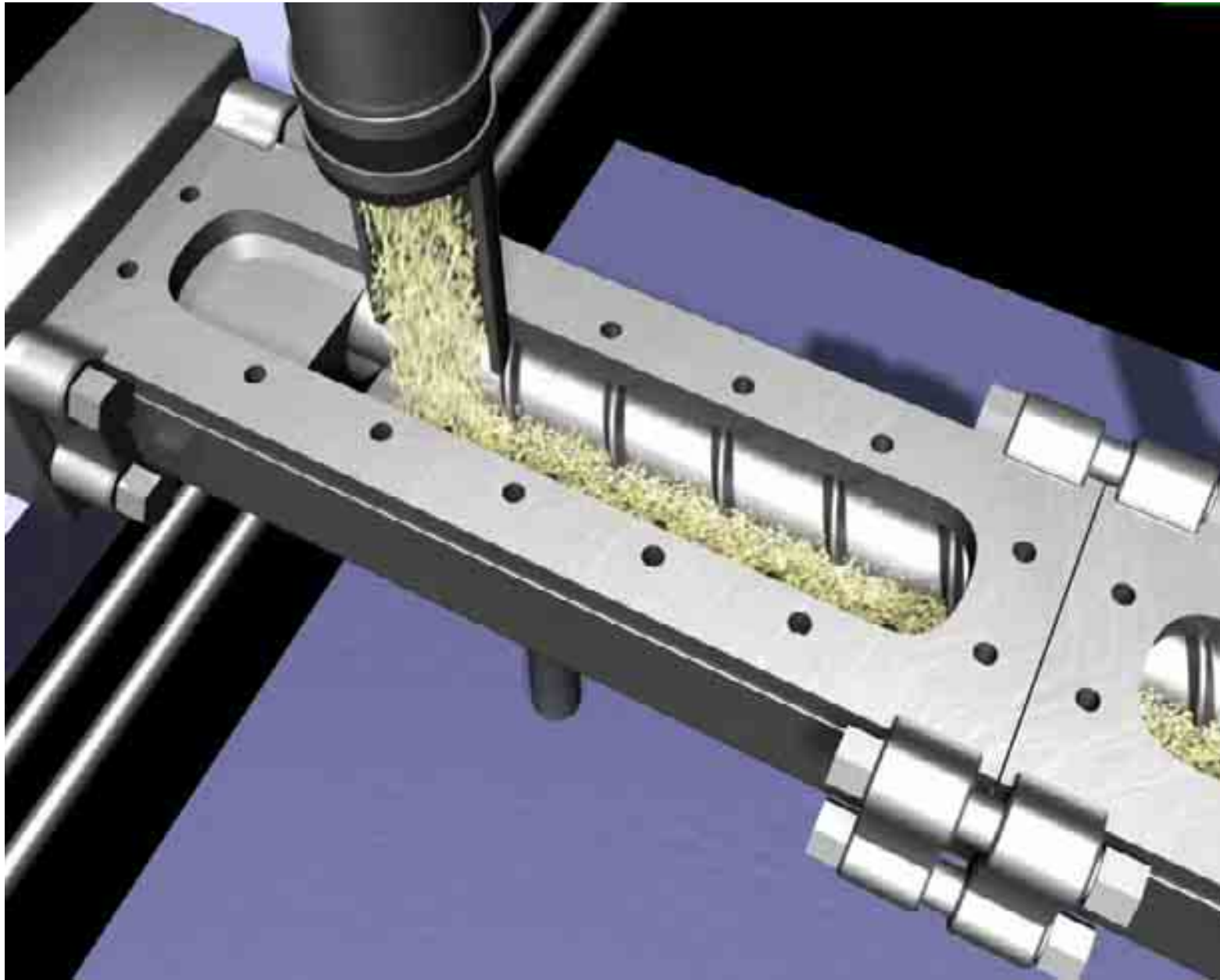
Synfuel network

Fast pyrolysis using a twin screw mixer reactor

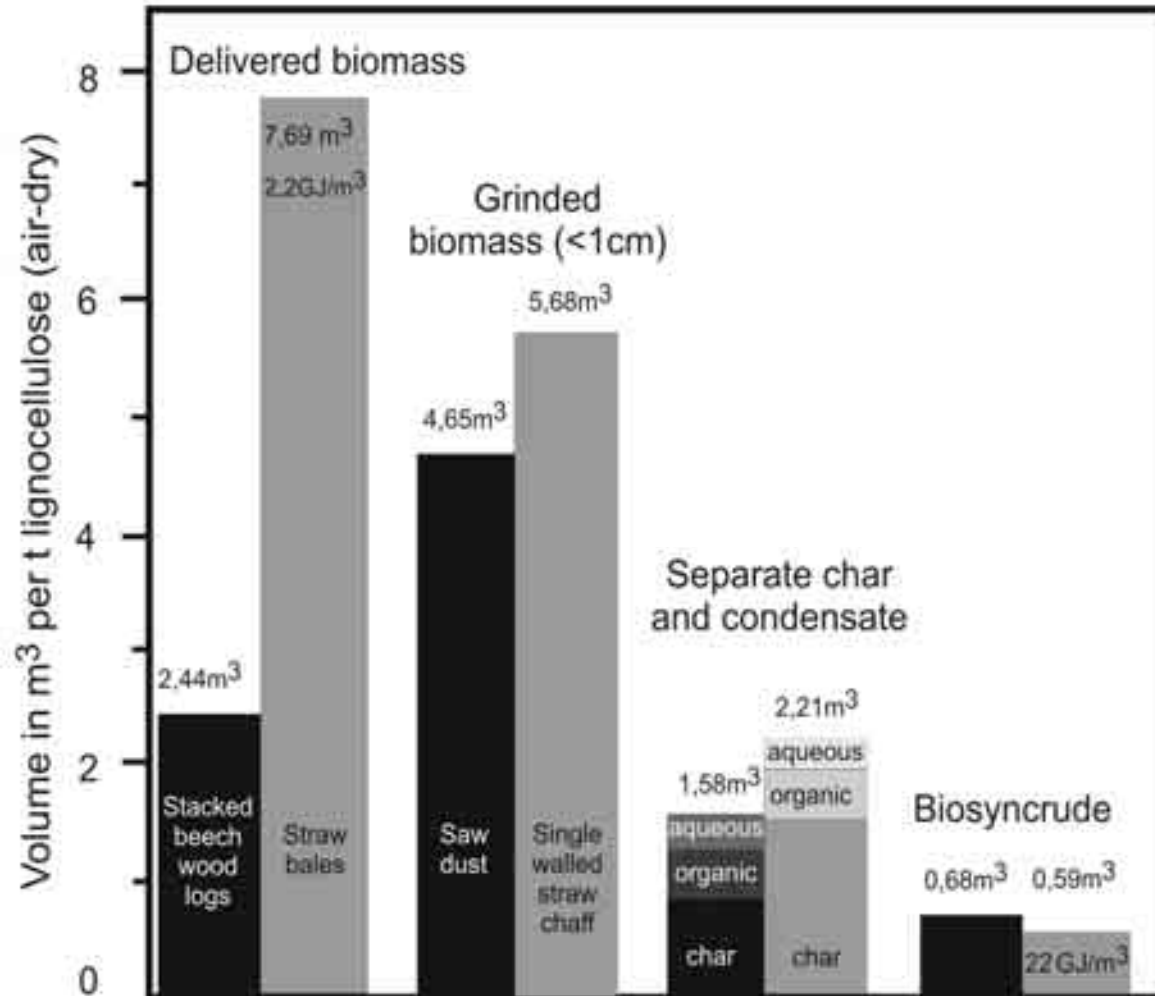


- Mechanical fluidized sand at 500°C
- Rapid transport, good radial mixing
- Fast heat transfer
gas retention time ca. 2 sec



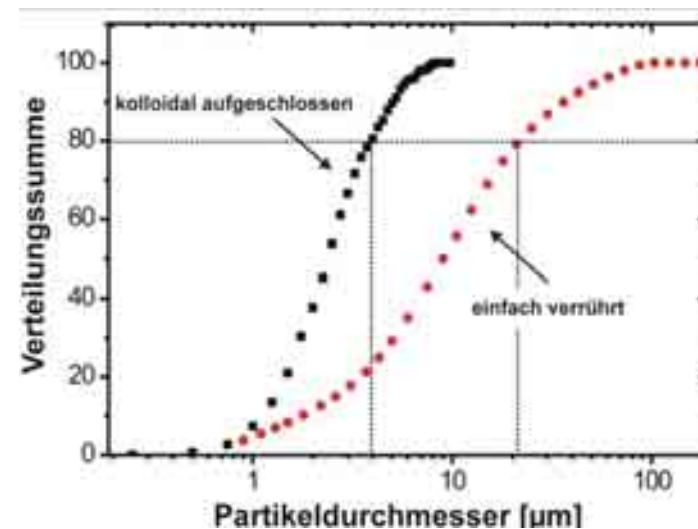


Relative volumes of pyrolysis products



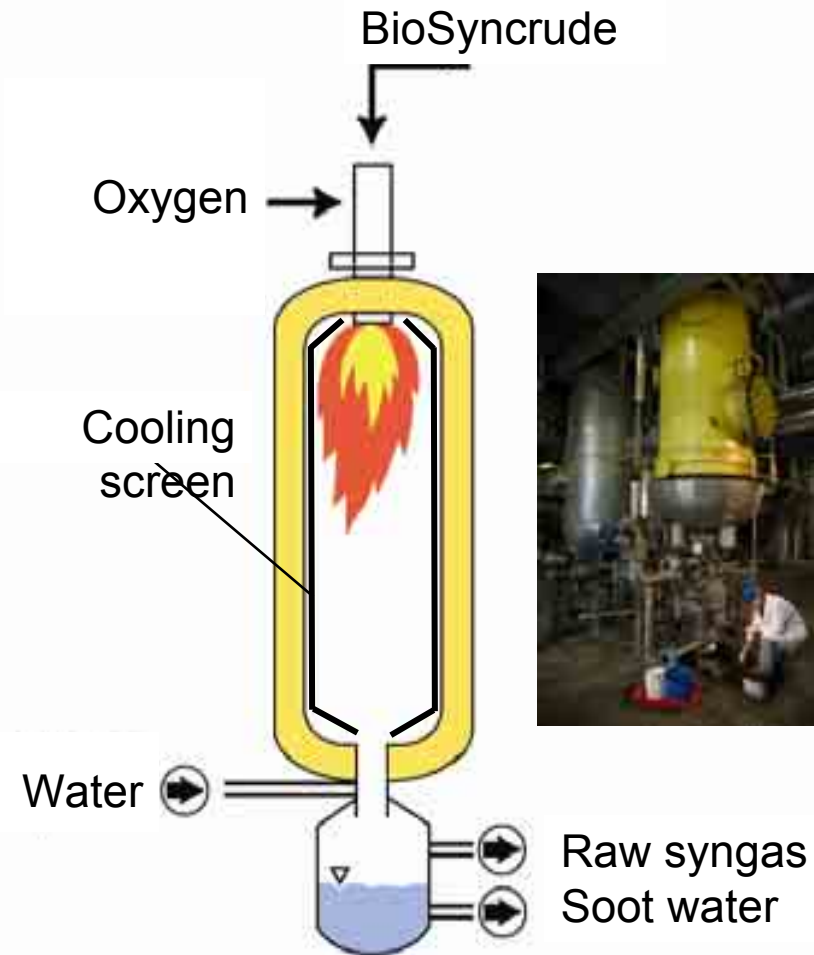
Key issue: BioSyncrude preparation

- Free flowing suspension
- High particle content up to 40wt.%
- Stable for storage and transport
- Easy to produce by mixing



High pressure entrained flow gasification

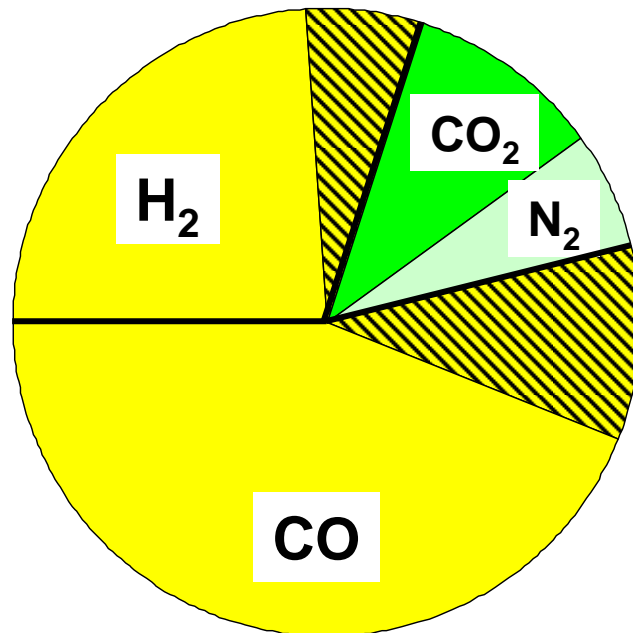
- Suitable for feeds rich of ash
- Gasification with pure O_2
- Temperatures around $1200\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
- High pressures up to 80 bar
- Tar free synthesis gas
- Residence time of seconds, complete C-conversion
- 4 gasification campaigns with different feed materials at the $2\text{-}5\text{ MW}_{\text{th}}$ pilot-gasifier of Future Energy, Freiberg
- further development based on Lurgi MPG technology



Results of biosyncrude gasification



Gas composition



Feeds:

Solids: 0 – 39 wt.%
Ash: 3 %
Heating value: 10 – 25 MJ/kg
Density: 1250 kg/m³

Operation conditions:

Throughput: 0.35 – 0.5 t/h
Pressure: 26 bar
Temperature: 1200 – 1600 °C
Feed-Temperature: 40, 80 °C

- no tar, < 0.1 vol.% methane
- C-conversion ≥ 99 %
- operation without problems





Sasol, South Africa
ca. 6 Mio. t/a



Synfuels from Fischer-Tropsch- and Methanol synthesis

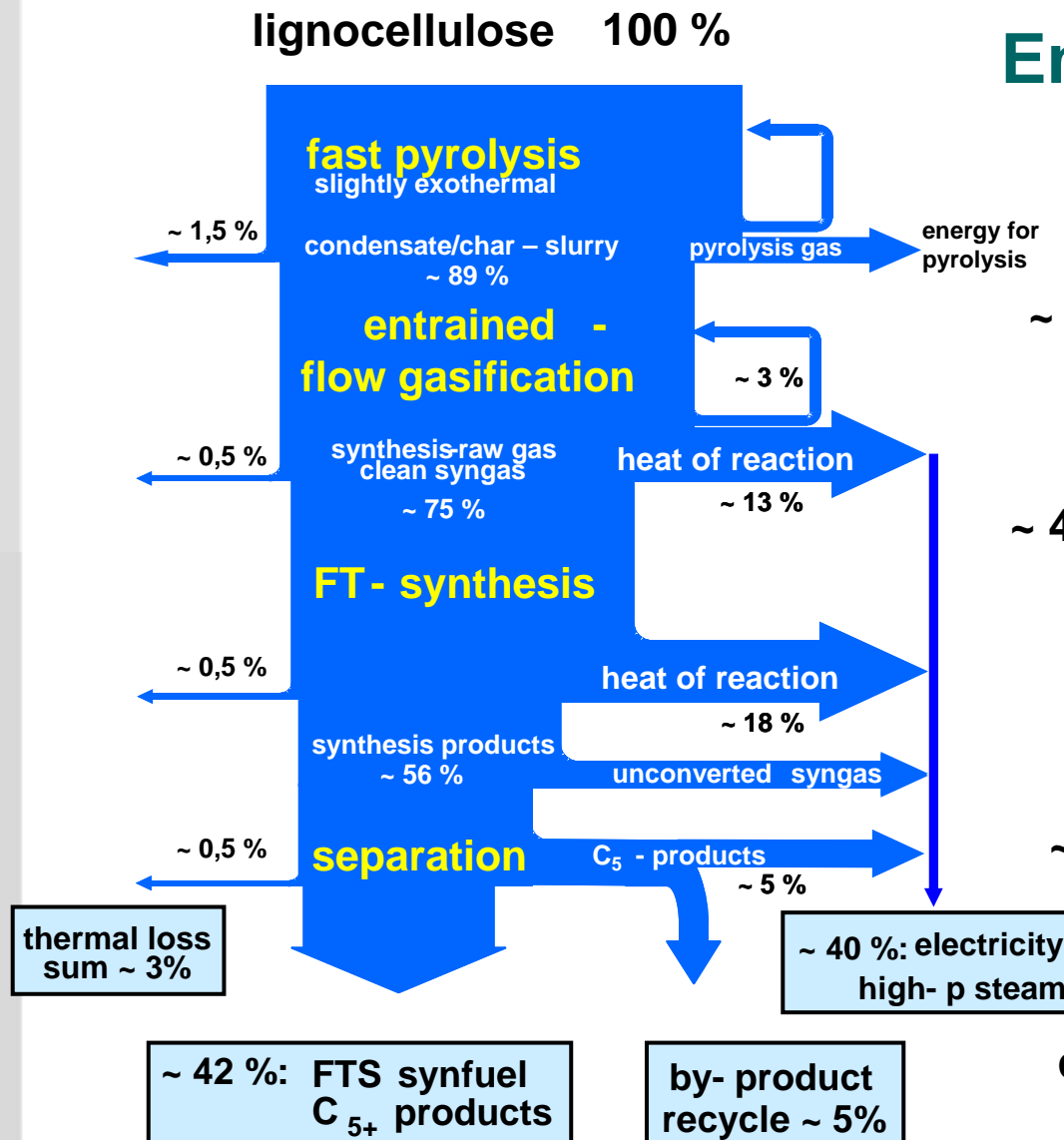


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Titan, Trinidad
ca. 0.8 Mio. t/a



Energy and mass balance



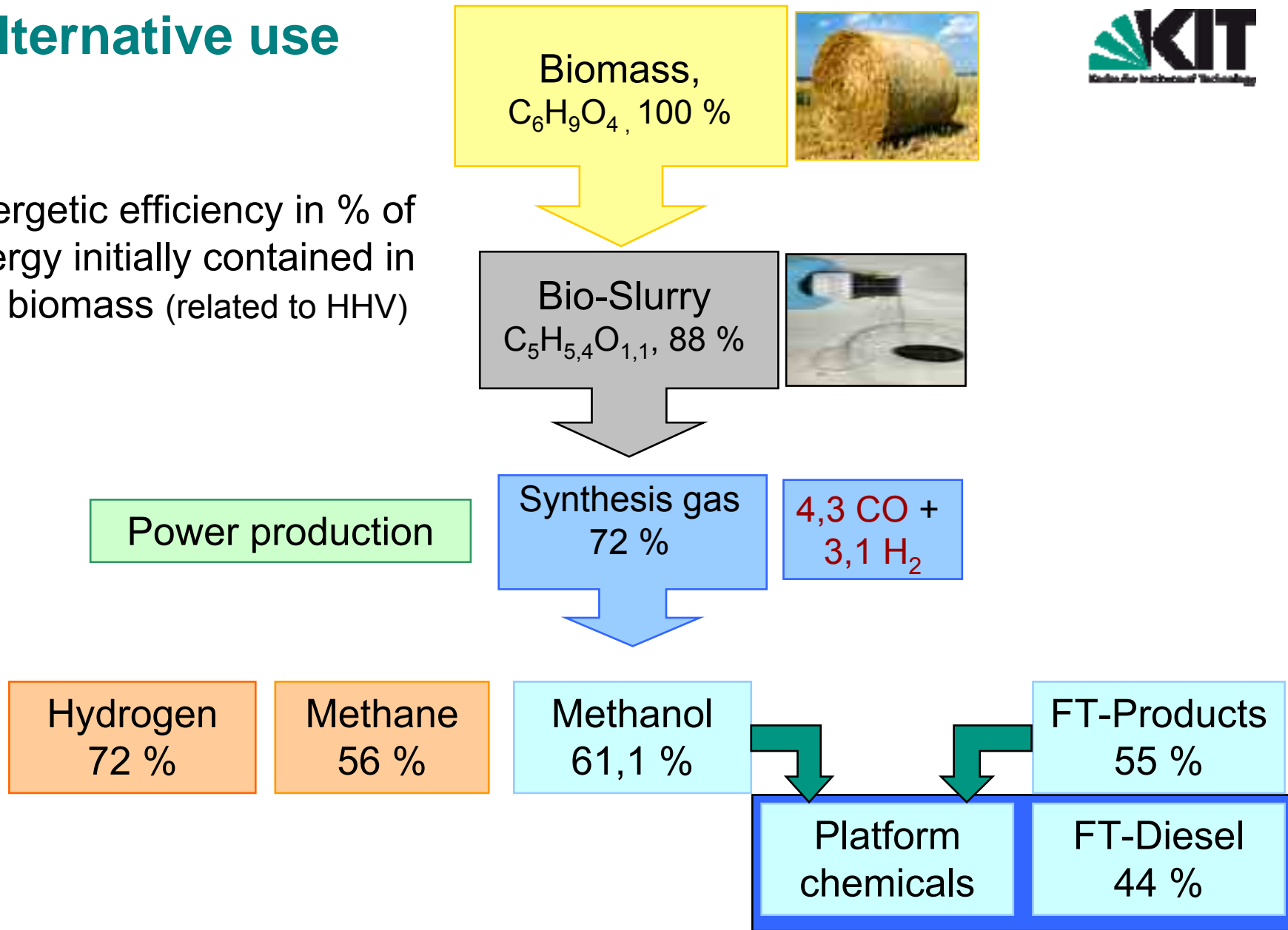
~ 7 t airdry (15 % H₂O) wood or straw
 ↓
 ~ 6 t dry wood or straw
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 ~ 4.7 t condensate/char - slurry or paste plus ~ 2.7 t technical O₂
 ↓
 ~ 1.2 t FT-synthesis raw products
 ↓
 ~ 1 t synfuel
 ~ 10 % more with by-product recycle

**inevitable by-products:
chemicals, electricity and HT-steam**

Alternative use



Energetic efficiency in % of energy initially contained in the biomass (related to HHV)



500 kg/h

100 L Synfuel



1. Biomass pretreatment
Fast pyrolysis,
Biosyncrude preparation
2. Syngas generation
3. Gas cleaning
DME synthesis
4. DME to Synfuel



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Stage 1: Fast pyrolysis and Biosyncrude preparation



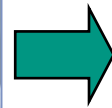
Biomass preparation



Fast pyrolysis



Pyrolysis product recovery

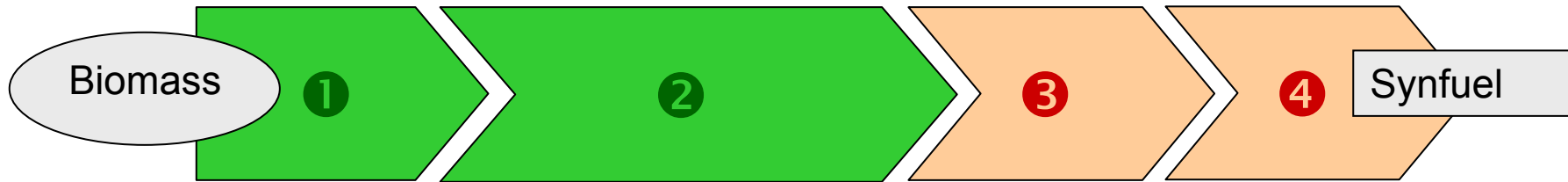


Feed stock storage



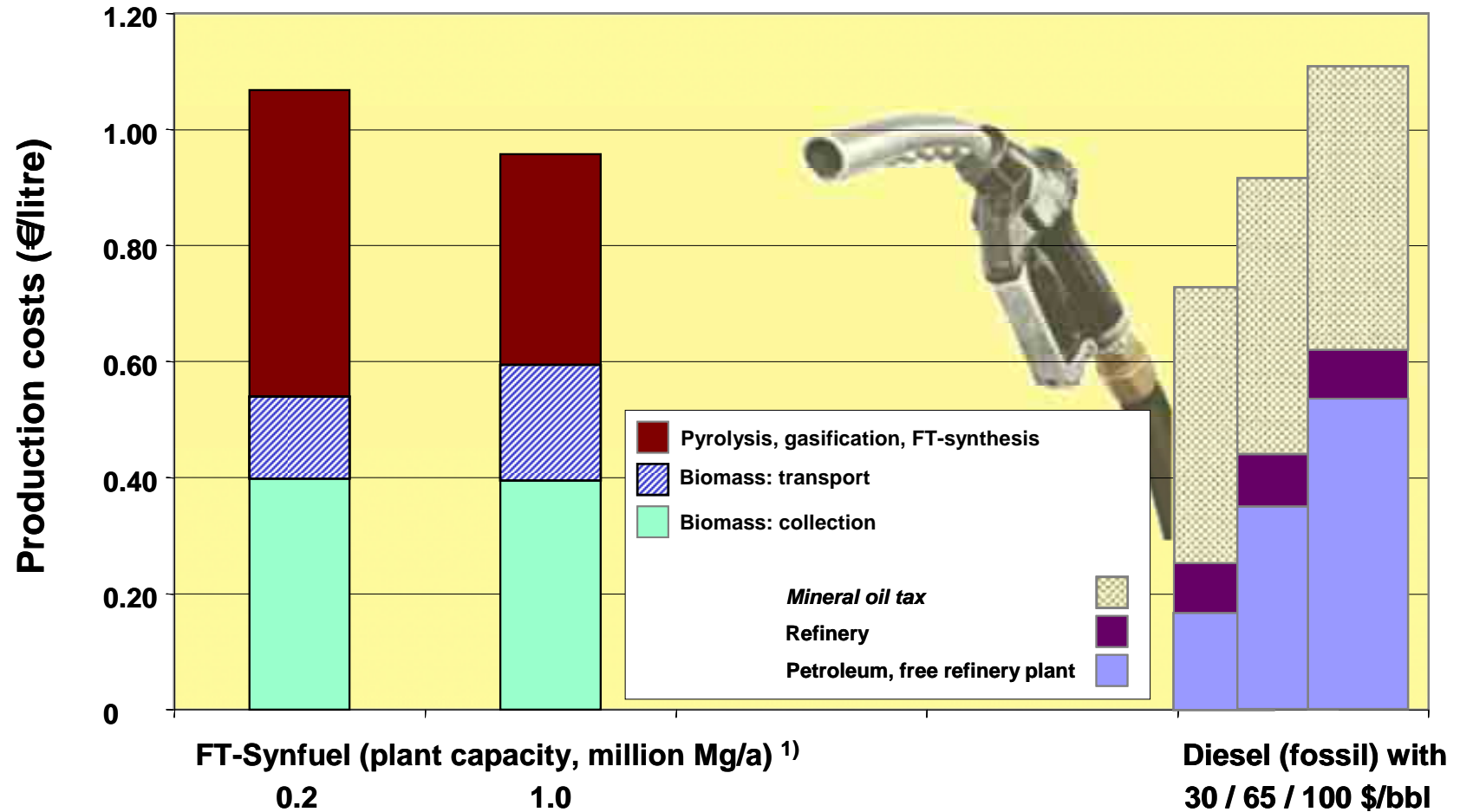
Biosyncrude preparation

Bioliq pilot plant – actual state



	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Process	Fast pyrolysis	HP Entrained flow gasification	Gas cleaning + Synthesis I	Synthesis II
Product	BioSyncrude	Synthesis gas	DME	Synfuel
Capacity	500 kg/h (2 MW)	1 t/h (5 MW)	150 kg/h	80 kg/h
Realization	2008	2011	2012	2012
Costs *applied for	8.2 Mio.€	24.8 Mio.€	22.5 Mio.€*	

Production costs of FT-synfuel from straw and wood residues



¹⁾ FT-Synfuel from straw and wood residues, central plant; production costs quoted free plant, without tax; basis 2006

International interests

■ Request and contacts:

- China Straw and other residues
- Chile Wood- residues
- India Residues from sugar cane
- Malaysia, Indonesia Residues from palm oil production
- Russia / former USSR Straw und wood- residues

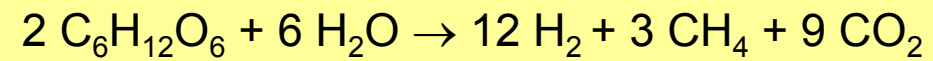


Conclusion BTL

- Production of high quality synthetic fuels
⇒ value added products by innovative technologies
- Use of any kind of dry biomass
⇒ huge feedstock potential
- No competition to food and feed production
⇒ Use of residues from agricultural and forestry
- De-central/centralized concept
⇒ high availability of biomass
- Regionally distributed plant for biomass pretreatment
⇒ new income options for farmers
- Process energy is produced as a side product
⇒ high CO₂ reduction potential
- Large scale synfuel production
⇒ economic industrial plant size



Hydrothermal gasification of wet biomass



Feed materials for hydrothermal gasification

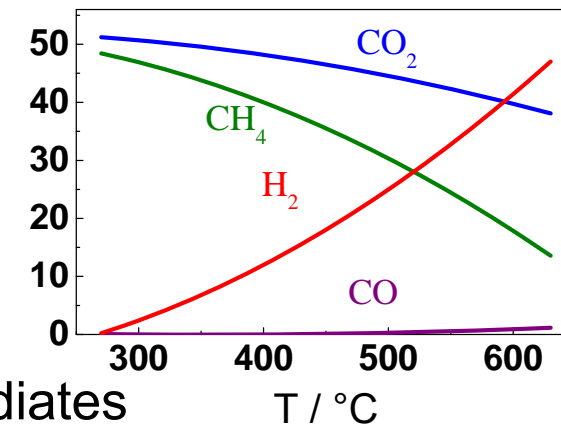


Residual biomass	Organic waste	Fuels	Energy plants
Disposal & energy	Disposal & energy	Decentralized Energy	Enduring energy
Food & beverage Wine trash Agricultural production Liquid manure	Paper & cellulose Pharmaceutical & chemical industry Biotechnology Sewage sludge	Bio-alcohol Rape oil MeOH Hydrocarbons Pyrolysis oil	Suitable ground and aquatic fresh plants Corn silage Mash (bio- ethanol) Sludge (biogas)
Wet	Wet / toxic	Without catalyst	Use of complete plant

Hydrothermal gasification of biomass

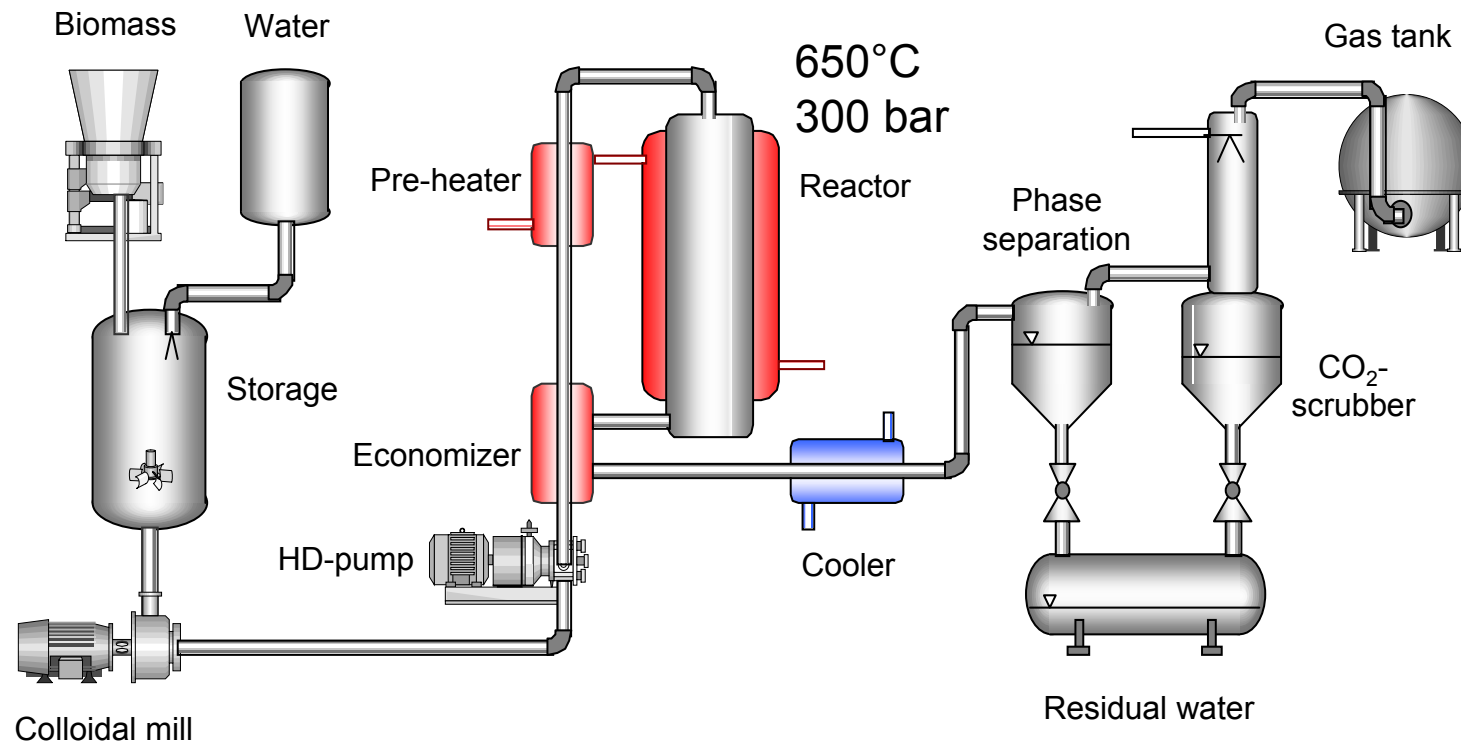


- Gasification in excess water at 700°C, 300bar
- “integrated” water gas shift reaction
- High H₂-yield obtained under pressure
- Short reaction times, high space/time-yields
- No tar and char due to solvation of the intermediates
- Easy CO₂-separation under pressure
- Inorganic components are not volatile



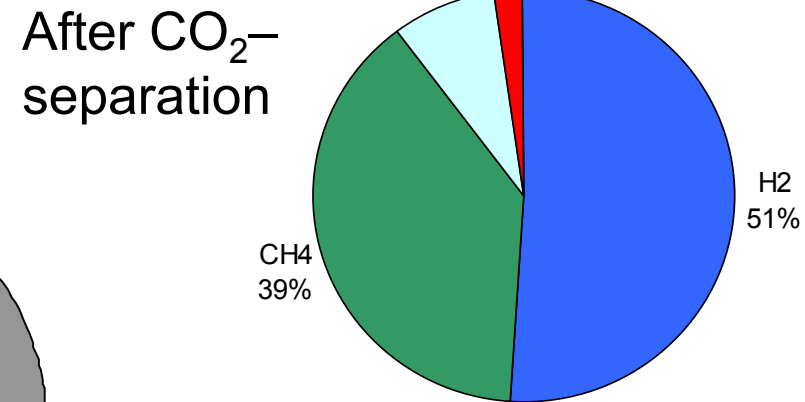
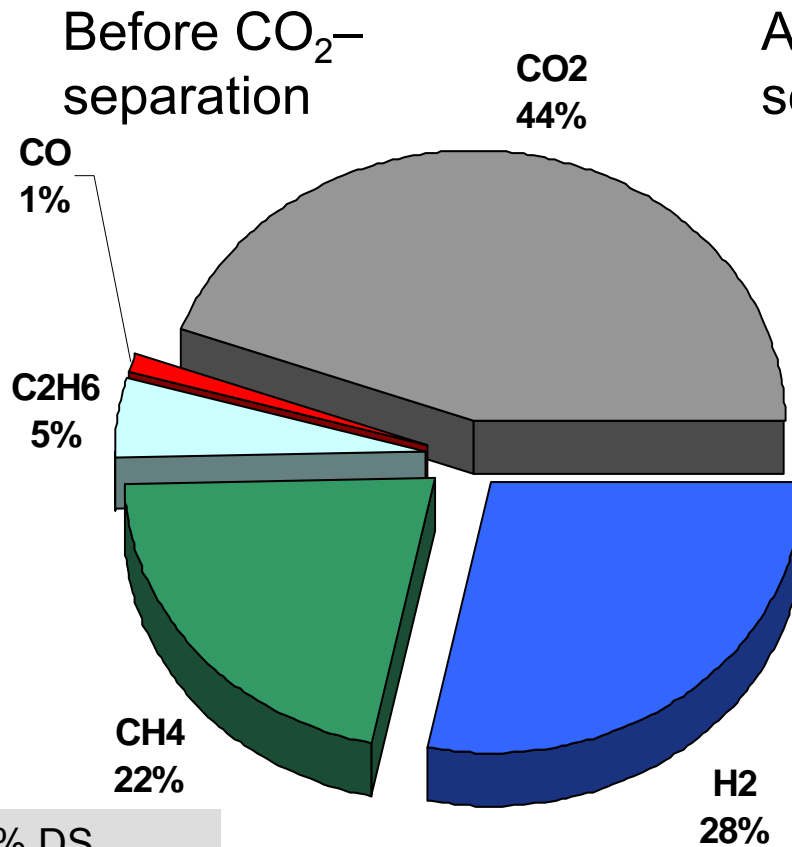
Wood, CH_{1,44}O_{0,66},
25 MPa, 10 wt.%

Flow scheme for hydrothermal gasification



VERENA pilot plant

Hydrothermal gasification of corn silage



7.5 wt.% DS
700 °C, 250 bar
1.3 – 3.4 min



Conclusions



- Energetic utilisation of biomass already contributes to the reduction of greenhouse gases in Germany and worldwide. Sustainable use of biomass increases this effect.
- The emission of greenhouse gases depends strongly on the biomass and the utilisation (conversion technology and the form of end energy).
 - Waste and residual biomasses show low emission of greenhouse gases
 - Heat generation from biomass shows very low emissions
 - Long term use of biomass as C-carrier necessary
 - Efficient technologies are developed.
- Optimization target for the future is the whole chain of the biomass utilization.

„Stone era did not end because a lack of stones, and the oil era will not end up because oil is running out “

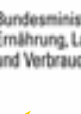
Sheich Zaki Yamani, 1974
former minister from Saudi Arab



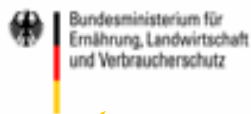
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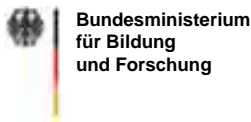
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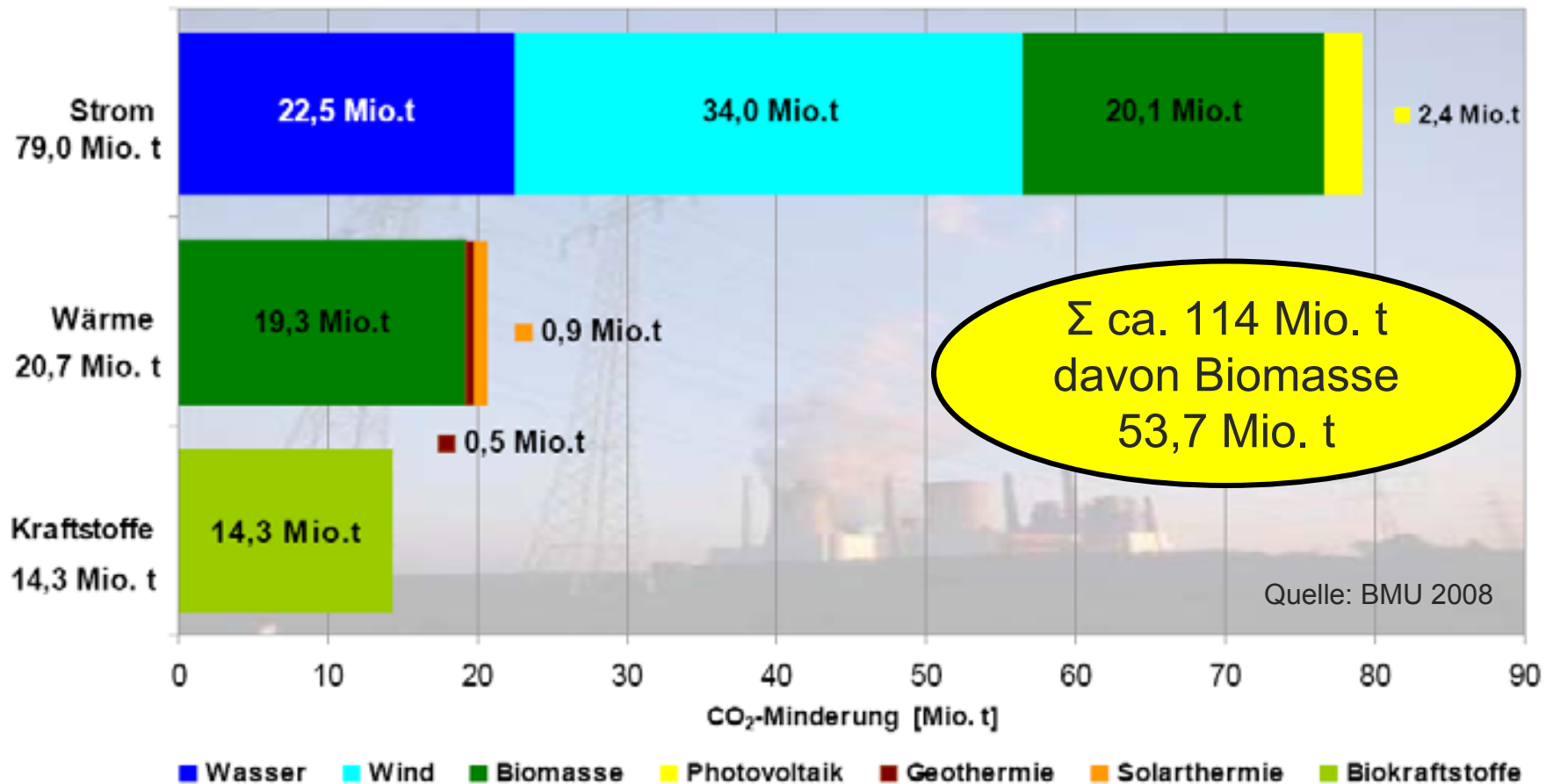
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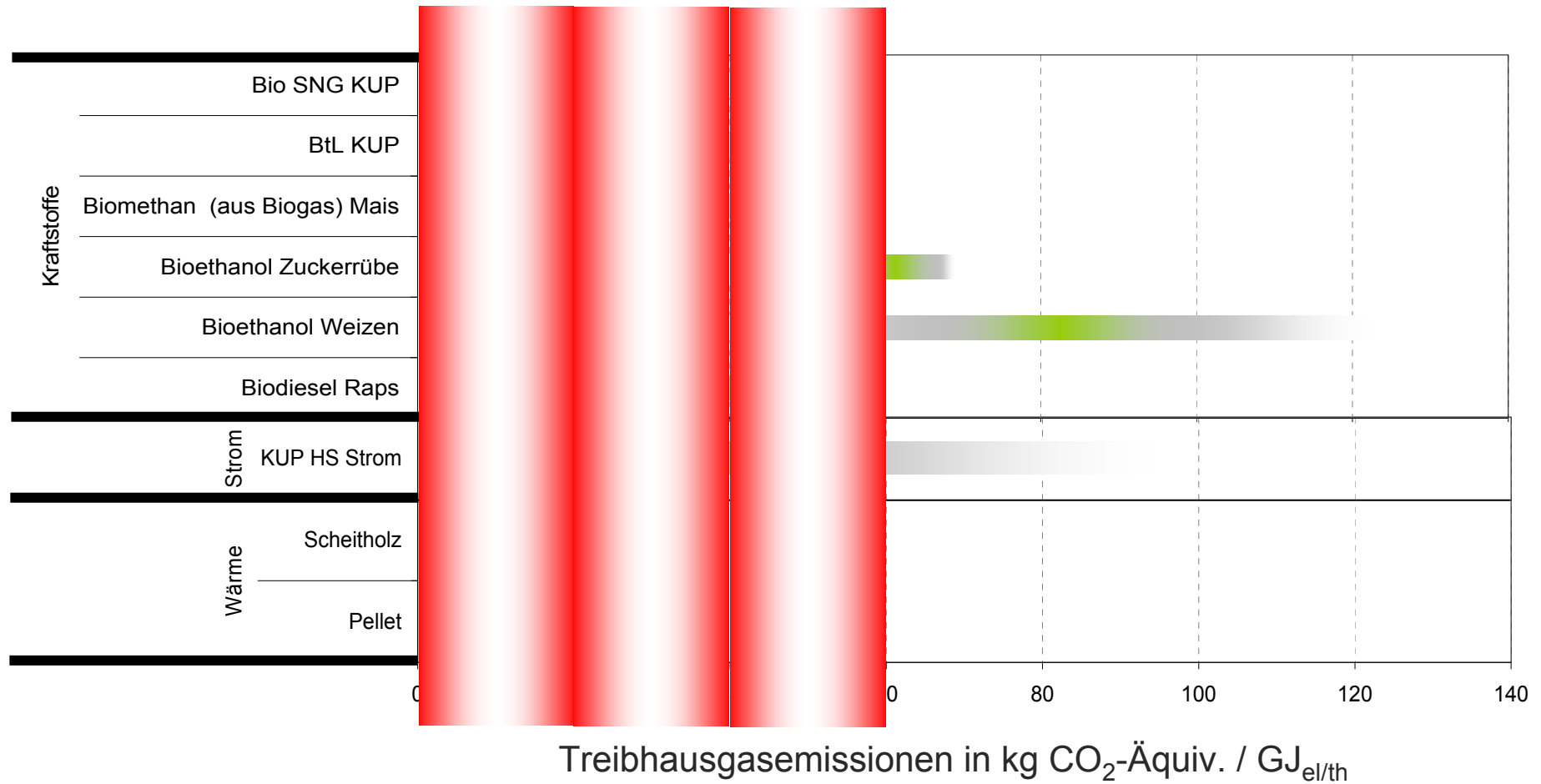
Energy system Germany

- Avoided Greenhouse gases -



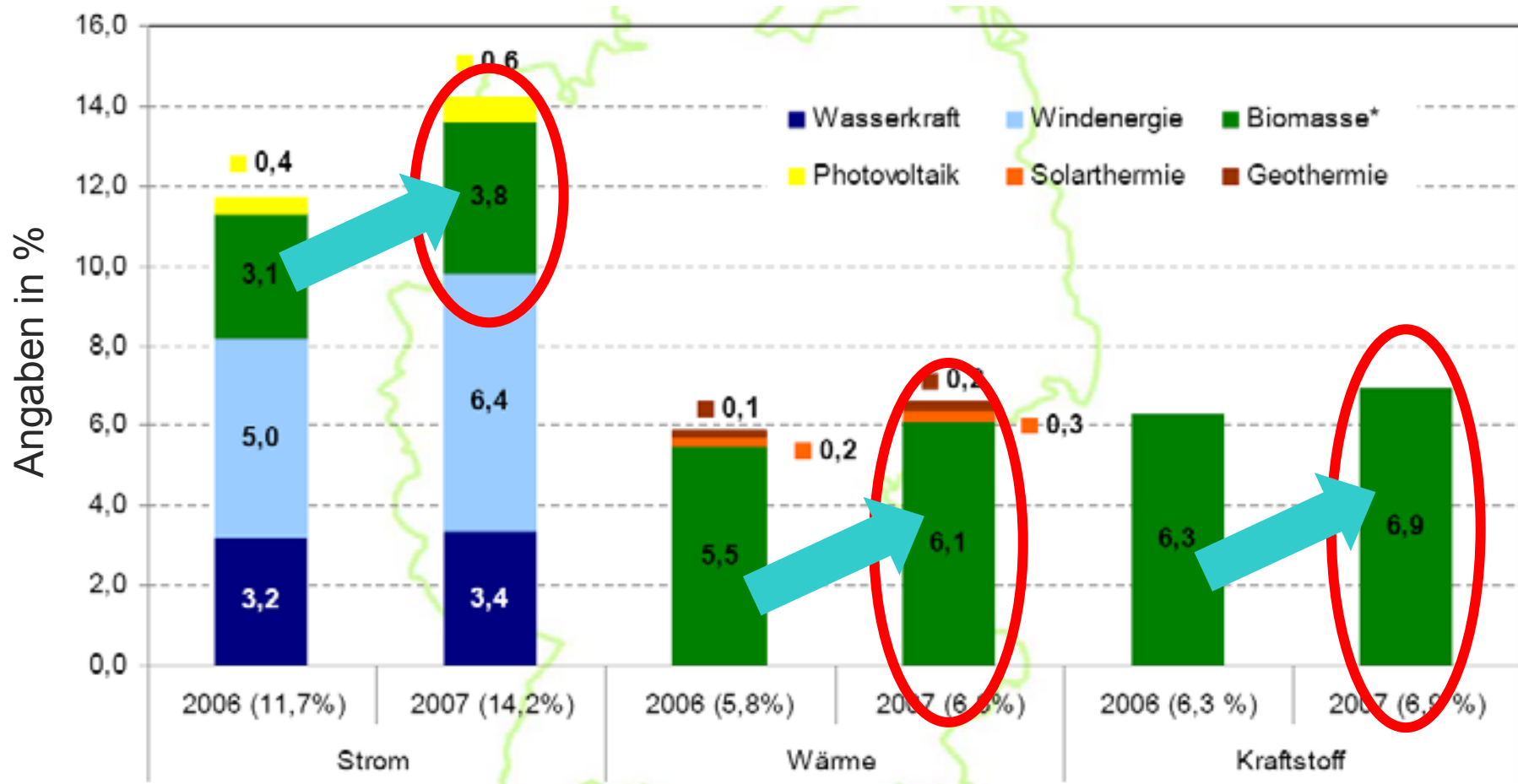
Die durch die Nutzung der Biomasse (reg. Energien) vermiedenen Klimagasmissionen liegen bei 6 bis 7 % (14 bis 15 %) der energiebedingten Klimagasfreisetzungen in Deutschland (2007).

Greenhouse gases balance for bio-energy systems



Energiesystem Deutschland

- Anteil der ern. Energien am EEV -



* feste, flüssige, gasförmige Biomasse, biogener Anteil des Abfalls, Deponie- und Klärgas;
 Quelle: BMU nach Arbeitsgruppe Erneuerbare Energien - Statistik (AGEE-Stat); vorläufige Angaben, Stand März 2008

Quelle: BMU 2008

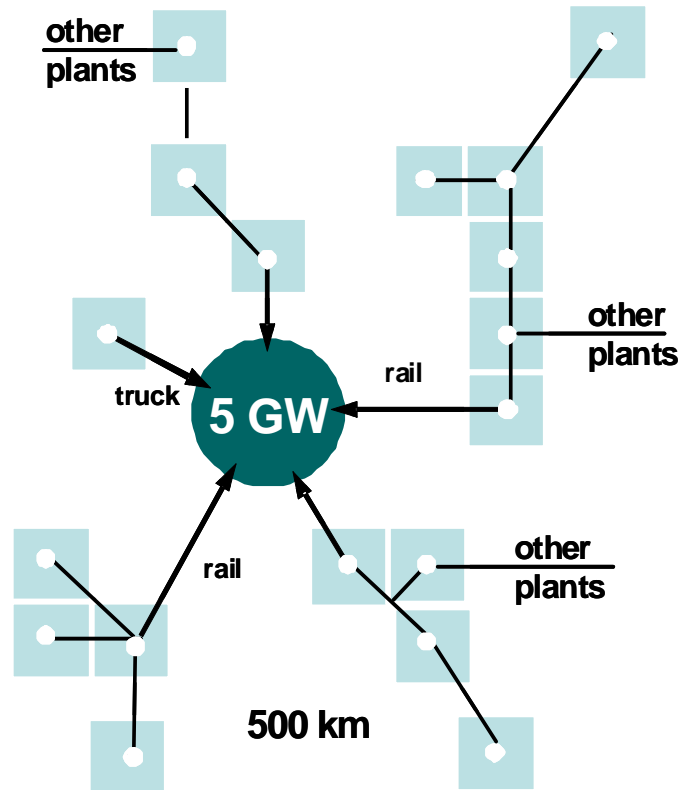
Nutzungsperspektiven für BioSyncrude

- Co-Verbrennung in (Heiz)kraftwerken
 - Co-Verbrennung in (Heiz)Kraftwerken
 - Stadtwerke Hannover, UM Niedersachsen
 - Stadtwerke Halle, UM Thüringen
 - Nordhessen HMULV, eon-mitte, Lurgi (Nordhessen-Studie)
 - Weitere Kontakte mit Vattenfall, EnBW, RWE

- Monoverbrennung (BHKW)
 - AGO (Kulmbach), Agrartechnik (Schleidorf)



Exemplary plant configuration



10 trucks (60 m³ straw each)

Straw ↓ Transport

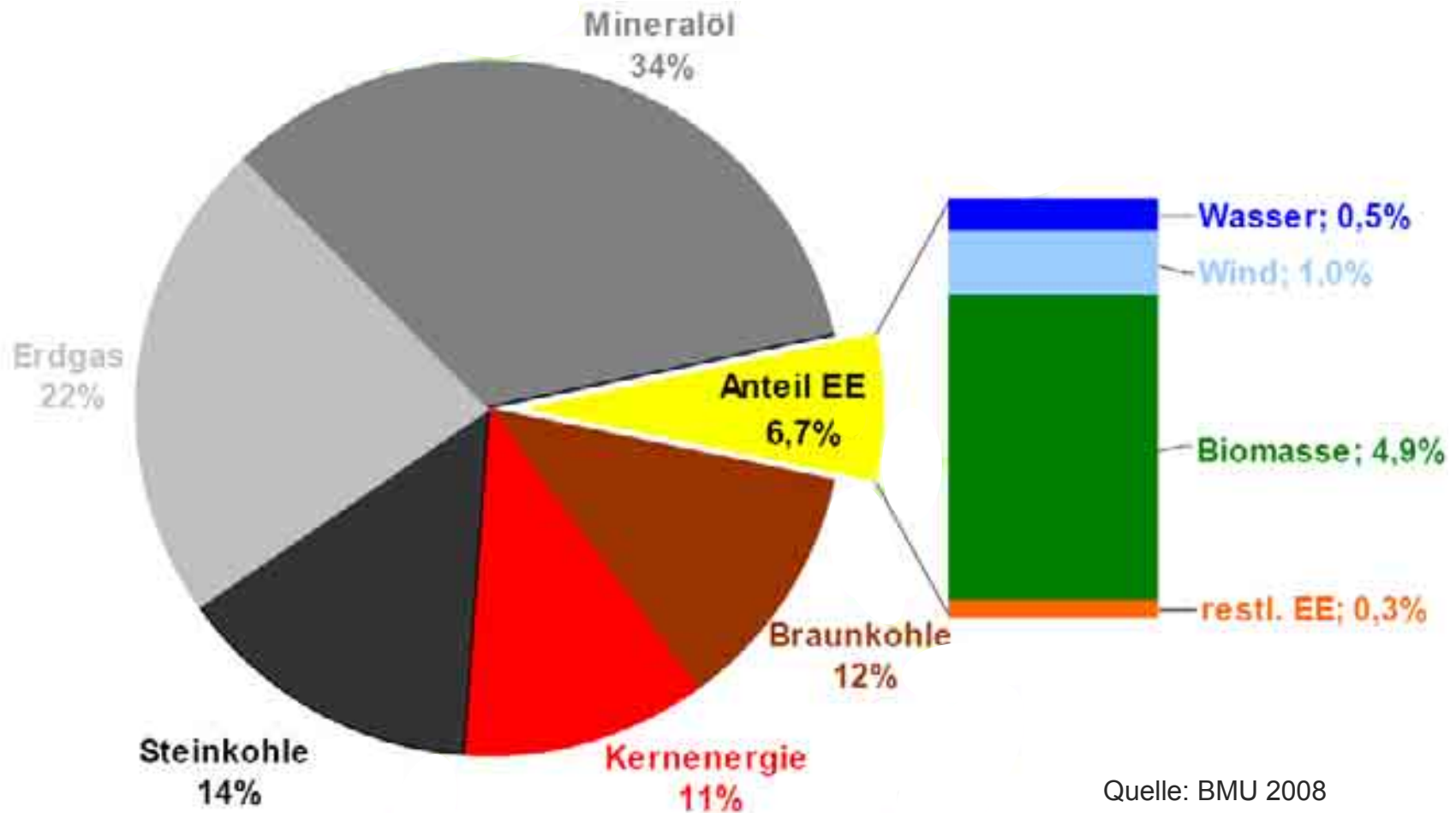
40 pyrolysis plants (20 M€)
Capacity ~ 0.2 Mt/a straw each

Slurry ↓ Transport

1 central gasification unit (500 M€)
production capacity ~ 1 Mt/a

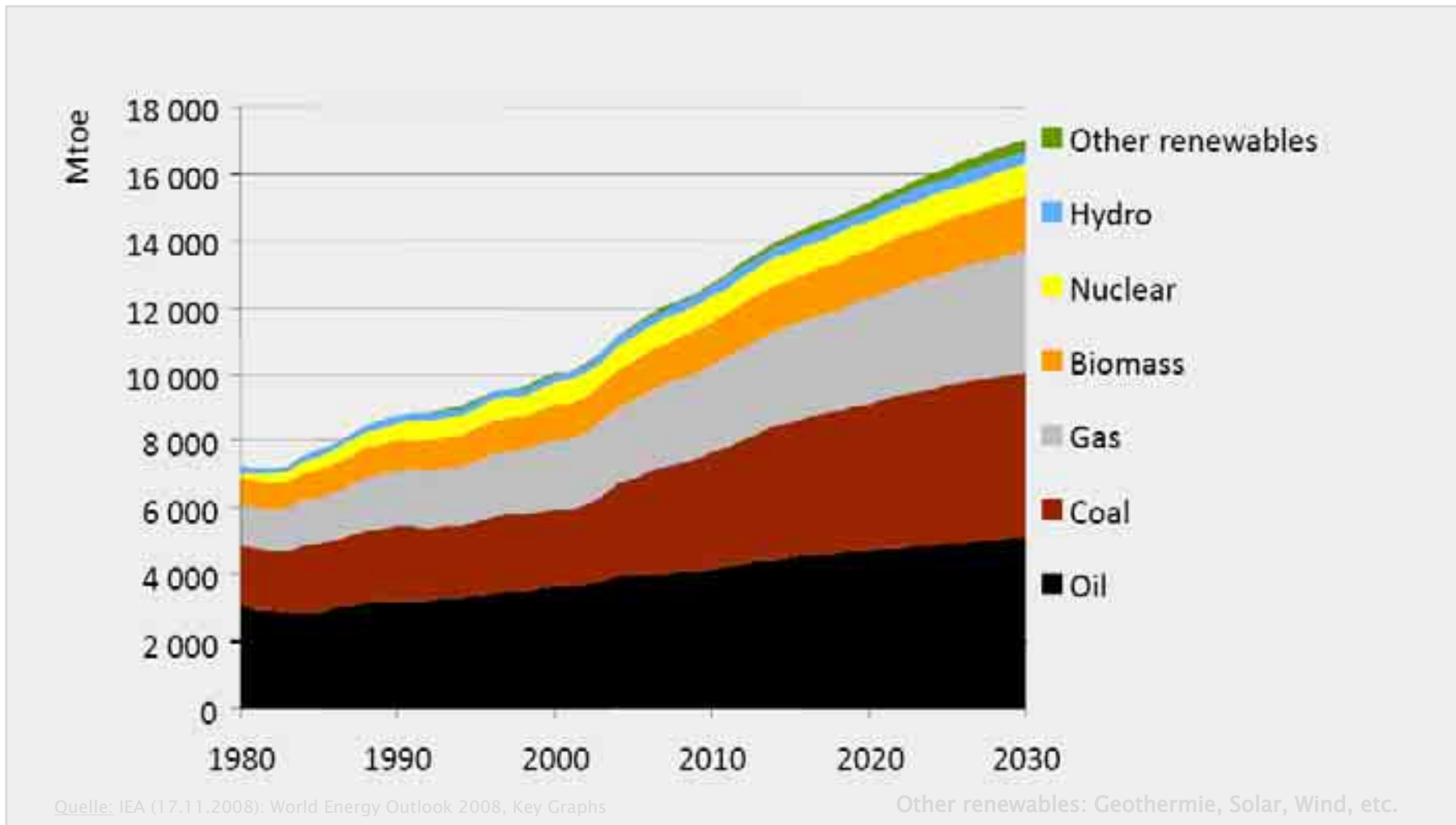
Energy system - Germany

primary energy



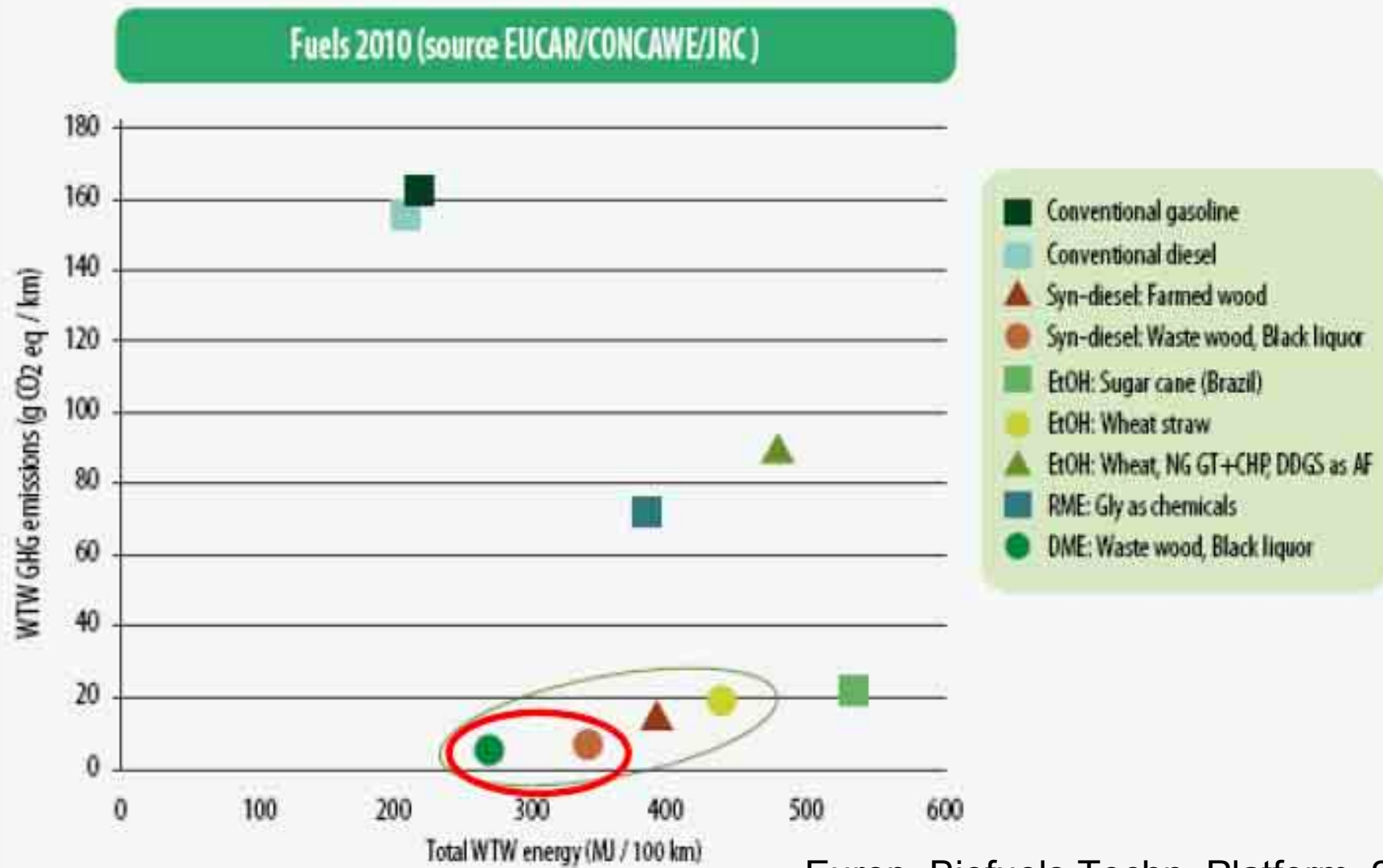
PEV 2007: 13,9 EJ (2,7 % bez. auf den Welt-PEV)

Entwicklung des Welt-Primärenergieverbrauchs bis 2030 (IEA-Referenz-Szenario)



Fazit: Bis 2030 wird sich der Primärenergieverbrauch um rd. 45 % erhöhen!

Well to Wheel GHG vs. total energy use



Europ. Biofuels Techn. Platform, 2008