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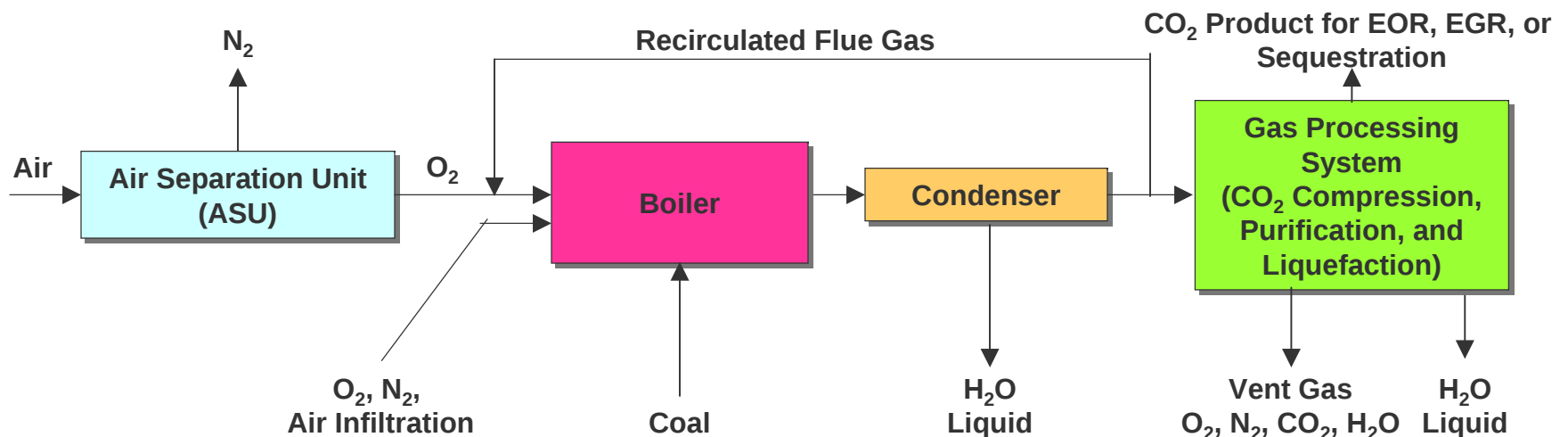
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Oxygen firing: Concept

Fuel is burned in a boiler in a mixture of oxygen and recirculated flue gas (principally CO_2), essentially eliminating the presence of atmospheric nitrogen in the flue gas. The resulting flue gas is comprised of primarily CO_2 and H_2O vapor along with some N_2 , O_2 , and trace gases like SO_2 , and NO_x . Consequently:

- The flue gas can be processed relatively easily (through rectification or distillation) to enrich the CO_2 content in the product gas to 96-99+ percent for use in enhanced oil or gas recovery (EOR or EGR), or
- The flue gas is simply dried and compressed for sequestration only



Oxygen-Fired PC/CFB Technology - Motivation

- **Most near-term solution - Uses commercially available air fired PC/CFB technology and enabling technologies:**
 - **O₂ production by commercial cryogenic air separation**
 - **CO₂ capture, compression, and liquefaction**
- **Economic analysis looks viable for commercial EOR application**
 - **Electricity for sale**
 - **CO₂ sale for oil field stimulation**
 - **N₂ sale for oil field pressurization**
- **Required intermediate step leading to the more advanced processes, e.g.:**
 - **Oxygen Fired PC/CFB with Oxygen Transport Membrane**
 - **Chemical Looping Combustion**
 - **Chemical Looping Gasification**

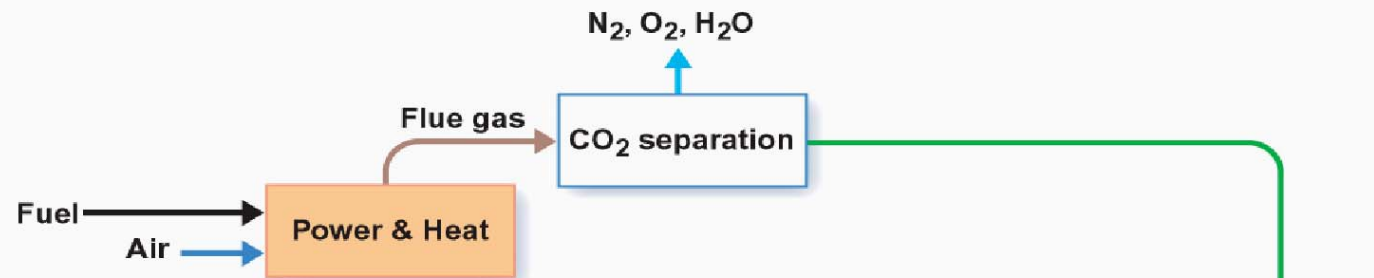
Near-Term Development Horizon

Today's Discussion

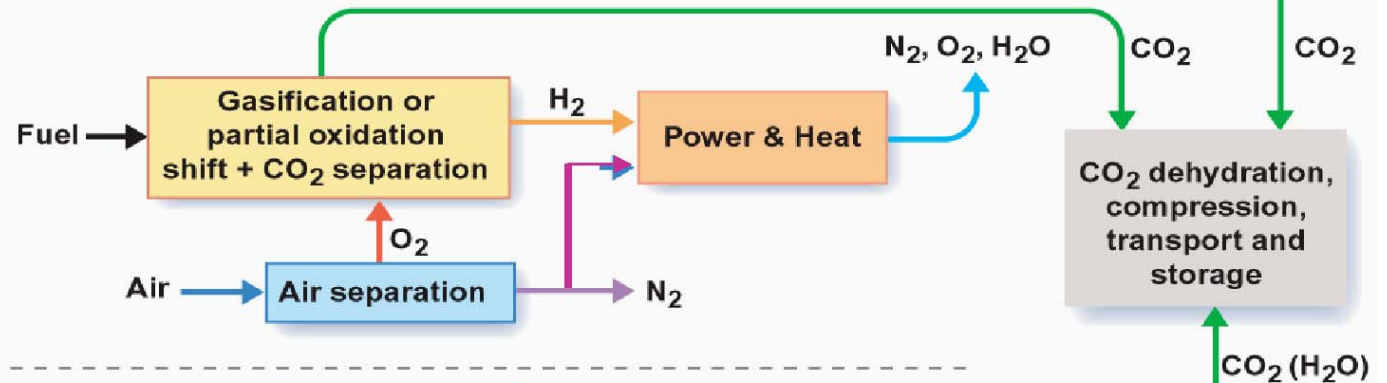
- Overview
 - Conventional oxy-firing
 - Advanced concepts
 - Economics of recent studies
 - Ongoing test programs

CO₂ Capture Options

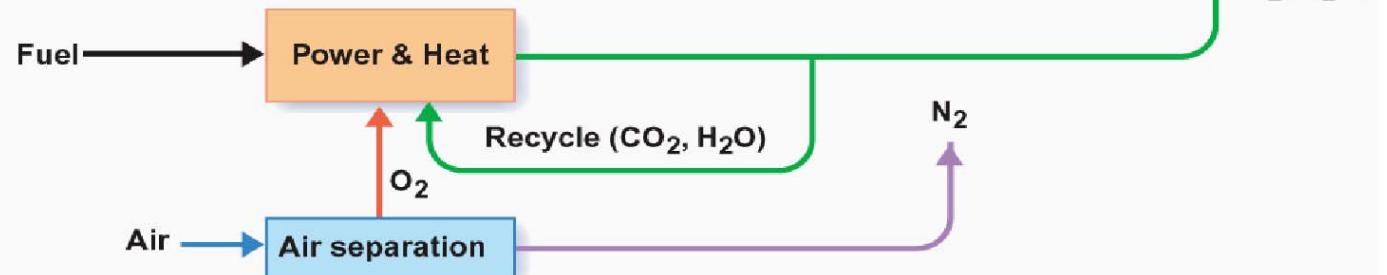
Post-combustion capture



Pre-combustion capture



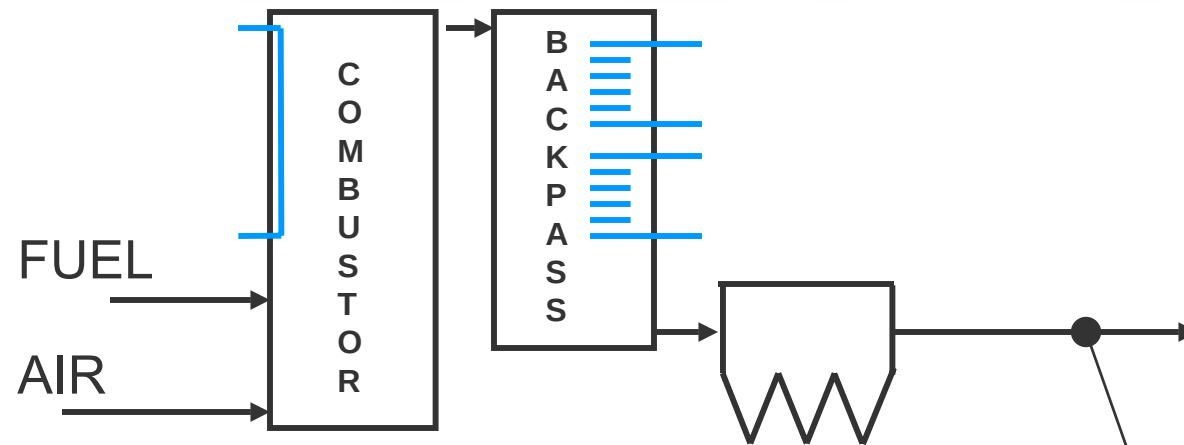
O₂/CO₂ recycle (oxyfuel) combustion capture



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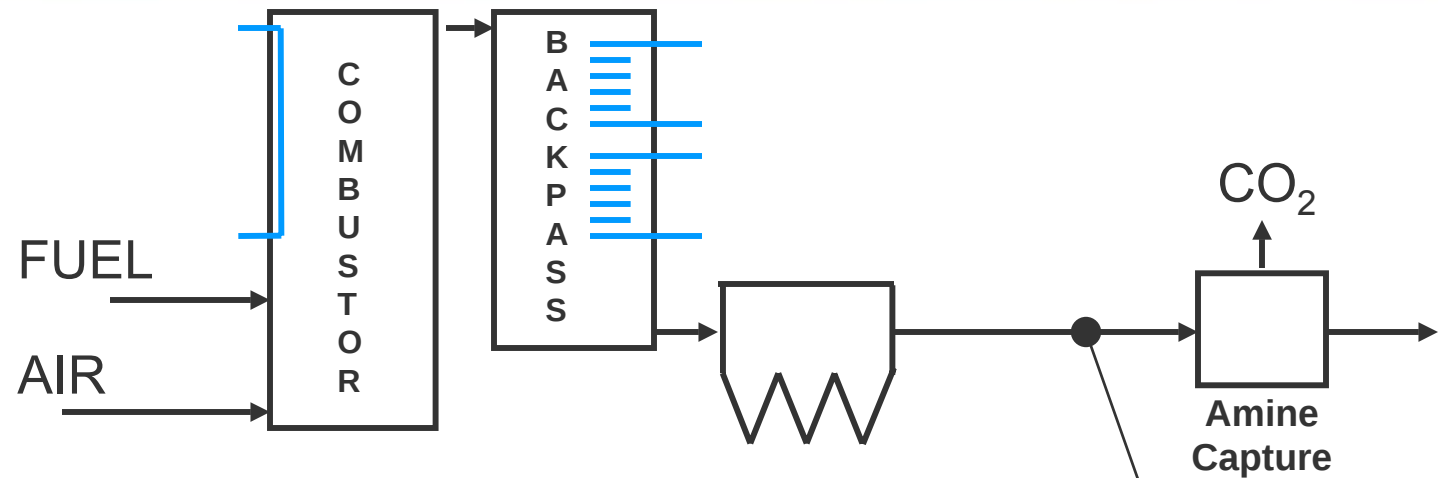
	Oxidant	CO ₂ Removal
Post-combustion	Air Fired	Extract from Flue Gas
Pre-combustion	O₂ for Gasification Air for Final Combustion	Shift CO to CO₂ Extract from Fuel Gas
Oxyfiring	O₂ for Combustion	Dry and Purify Flue Gas

Conventional Firing



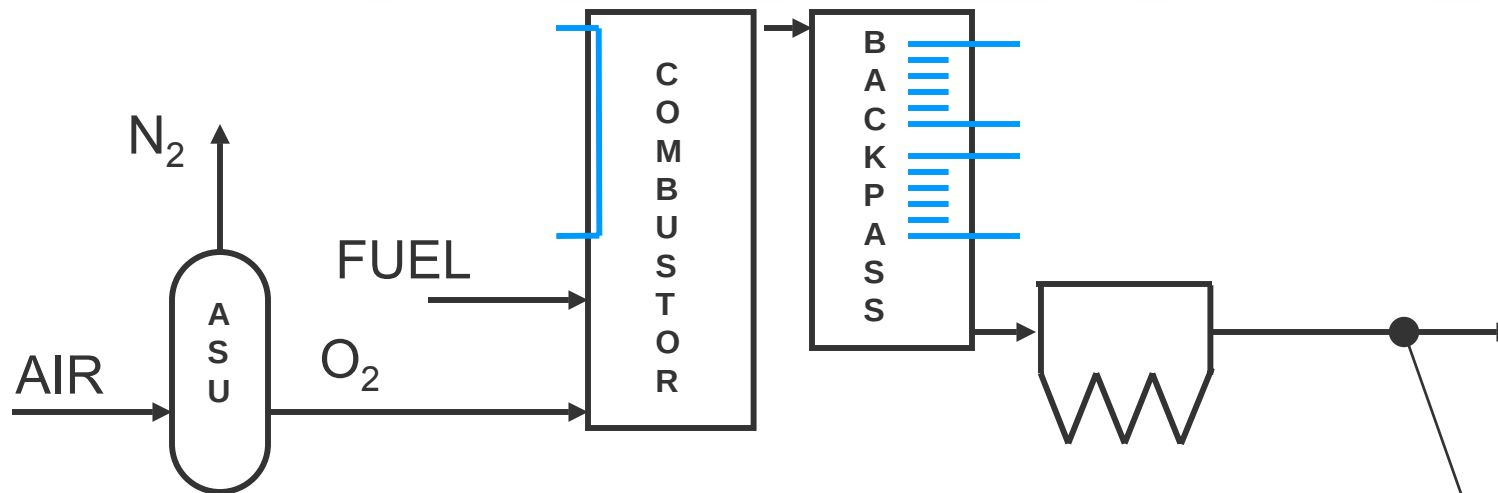
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AIR	75	15	7	3	100

Conventional Firing with Amine Scrubbing



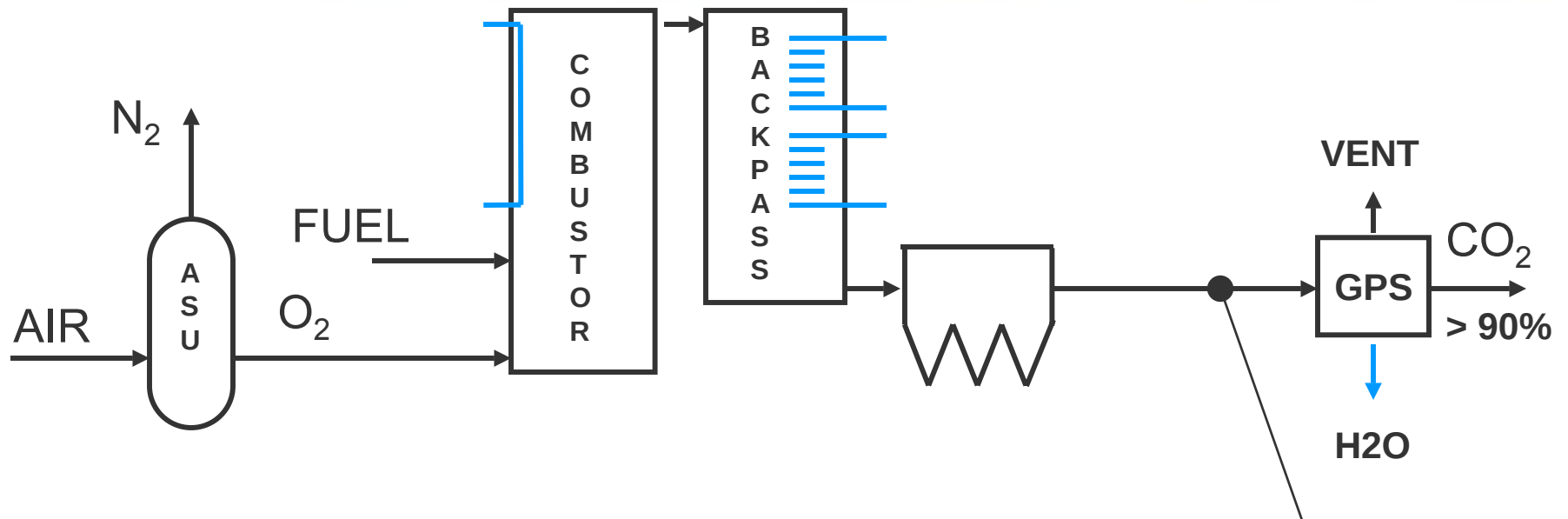
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Conventional Firing using ASU to Produce a Stream of Oxygen



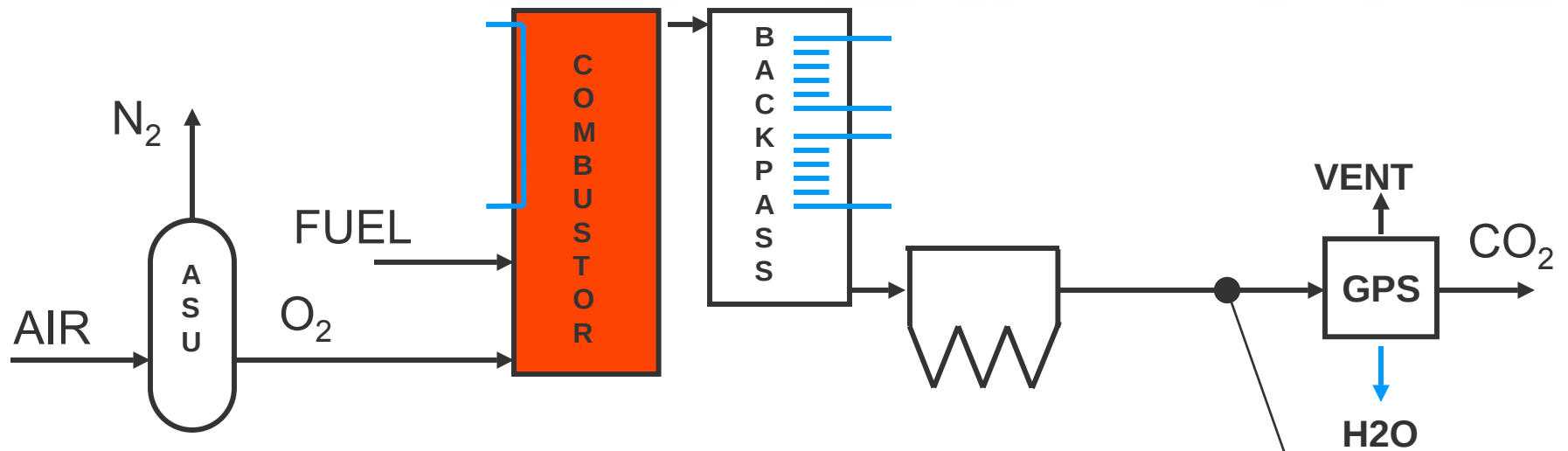
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100% O_2	5	67	25	3	22

Conventional Firing with ASU and Drying to Purify the CO₂ stream



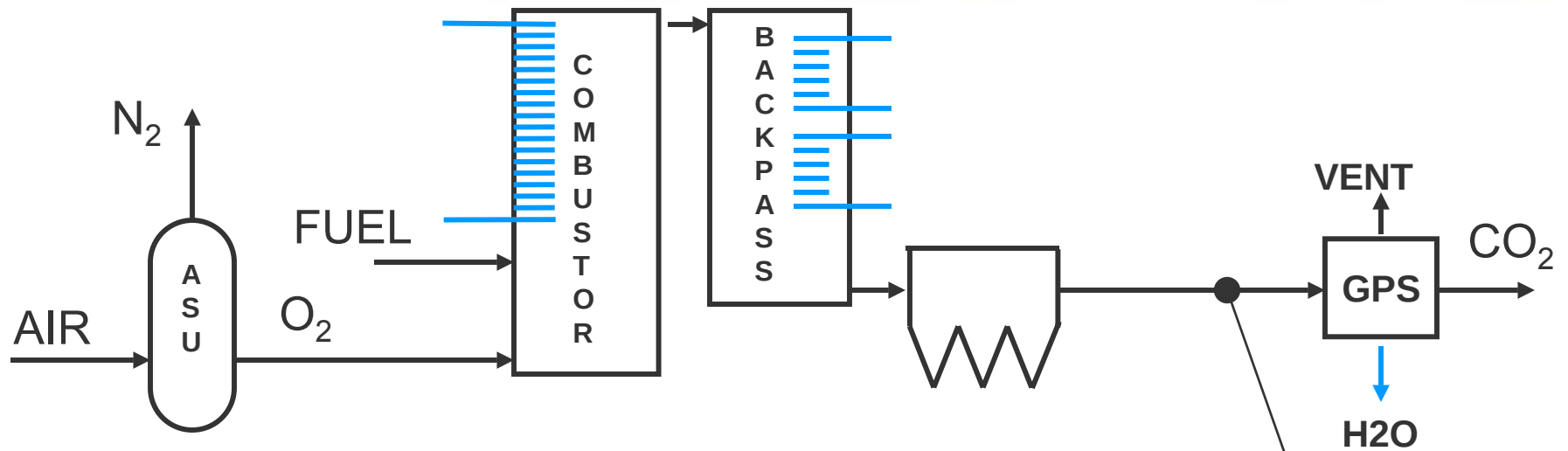
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Conventional Firing with ASU produces high combustor temperatures



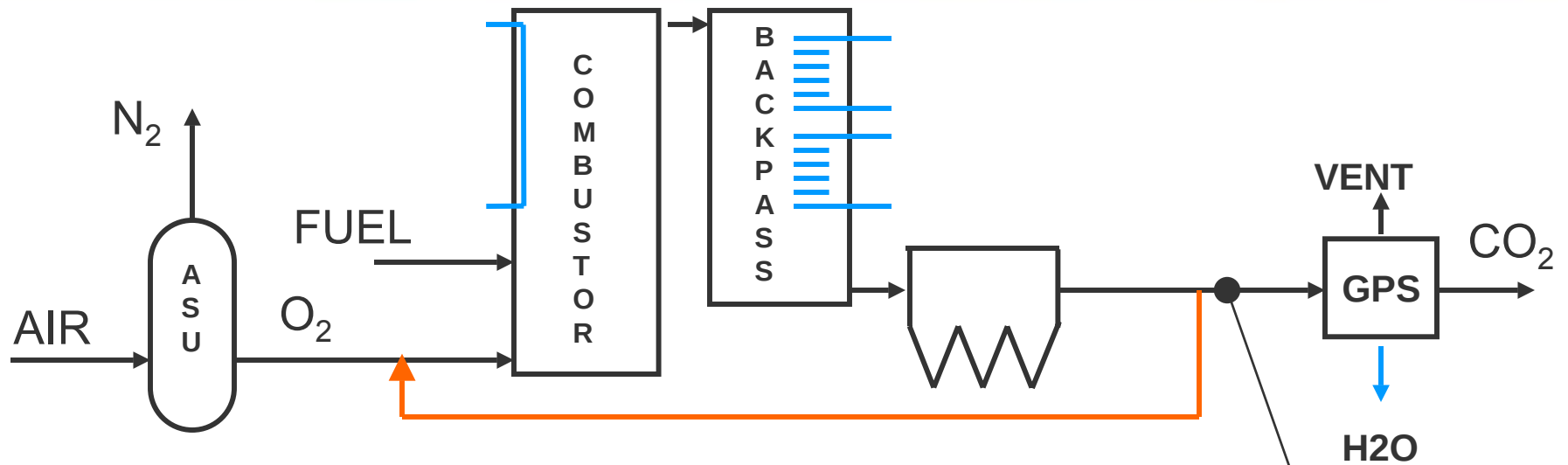
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Combustor temperatures can be mitigated with upper furnace heat absorption



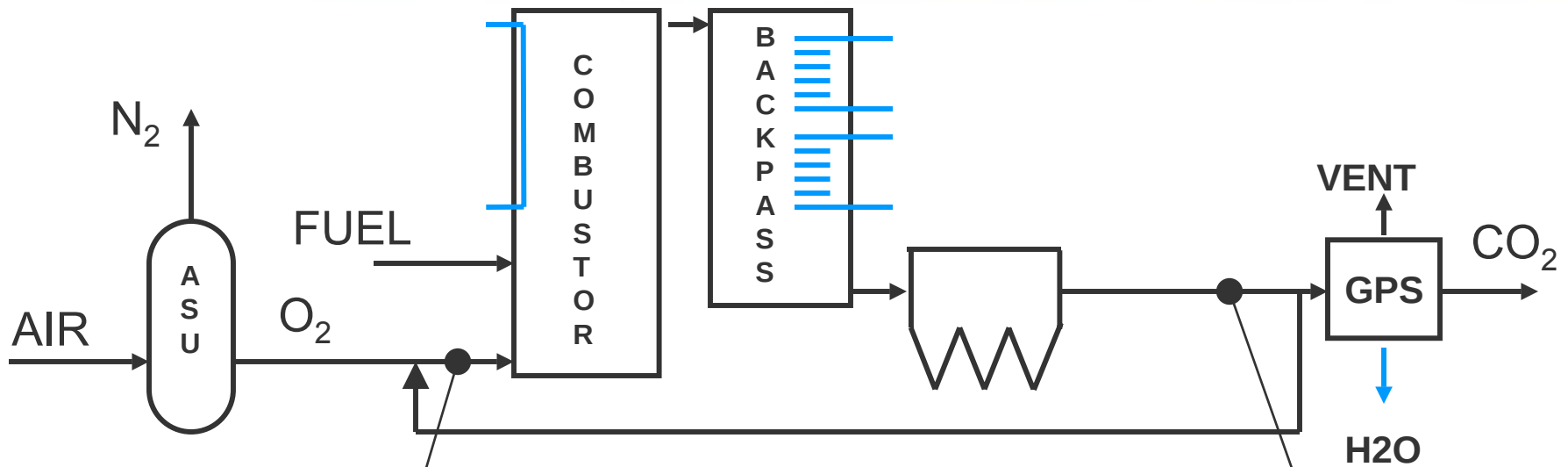
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Combustor temperatures can be mitigated with flue gas recirculation



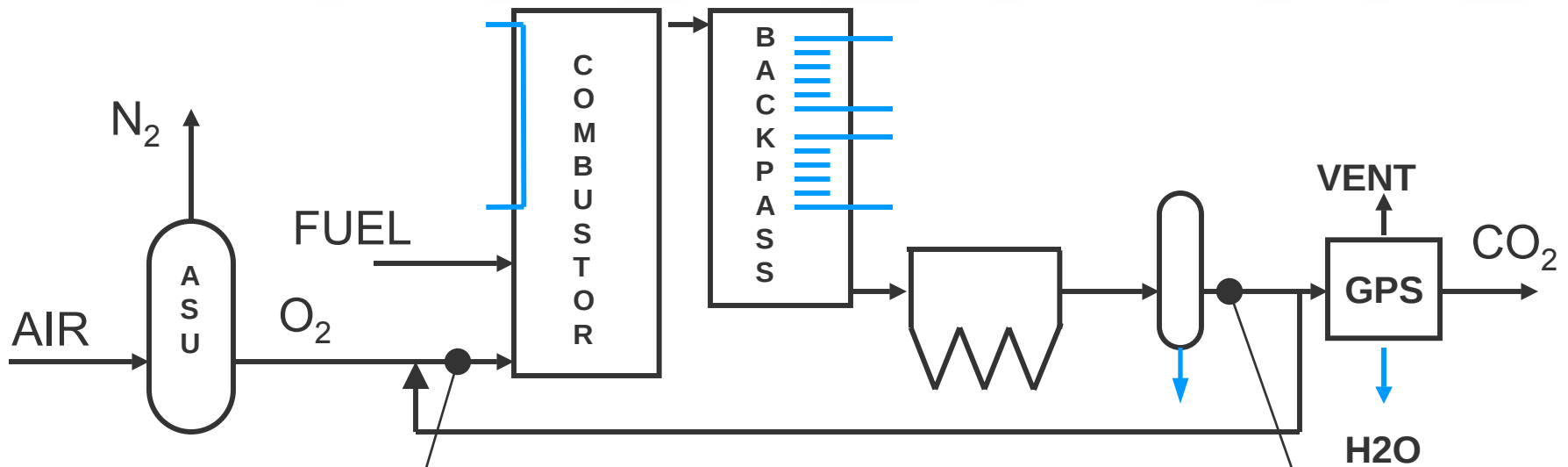
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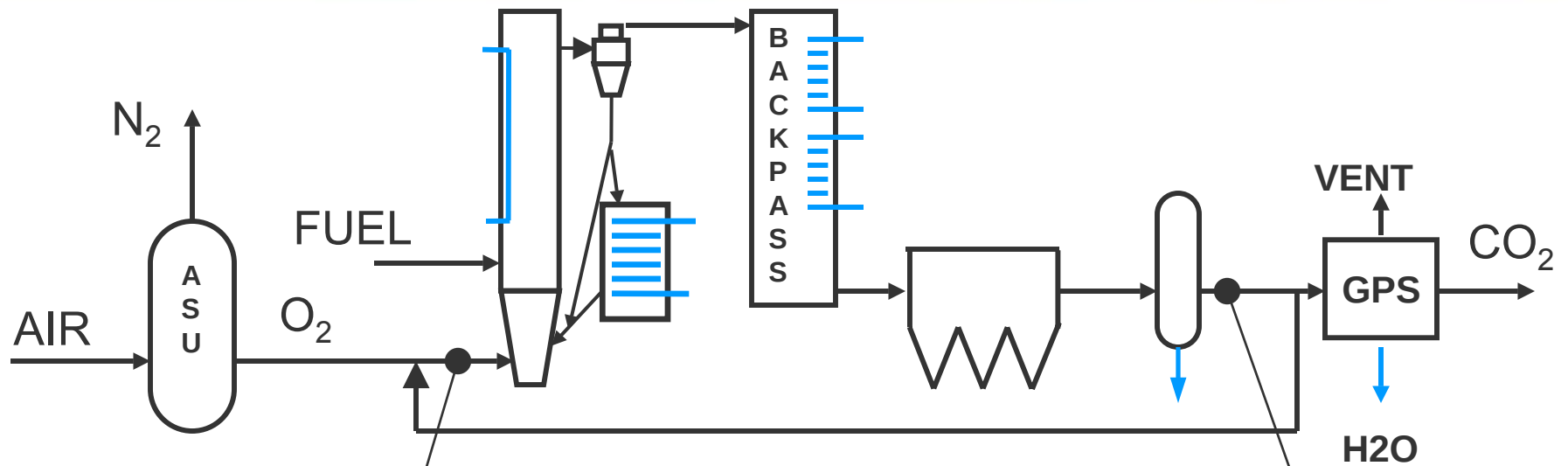
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AIR	75	15	7	3	100
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30% O ₂	5	67	25	3	64

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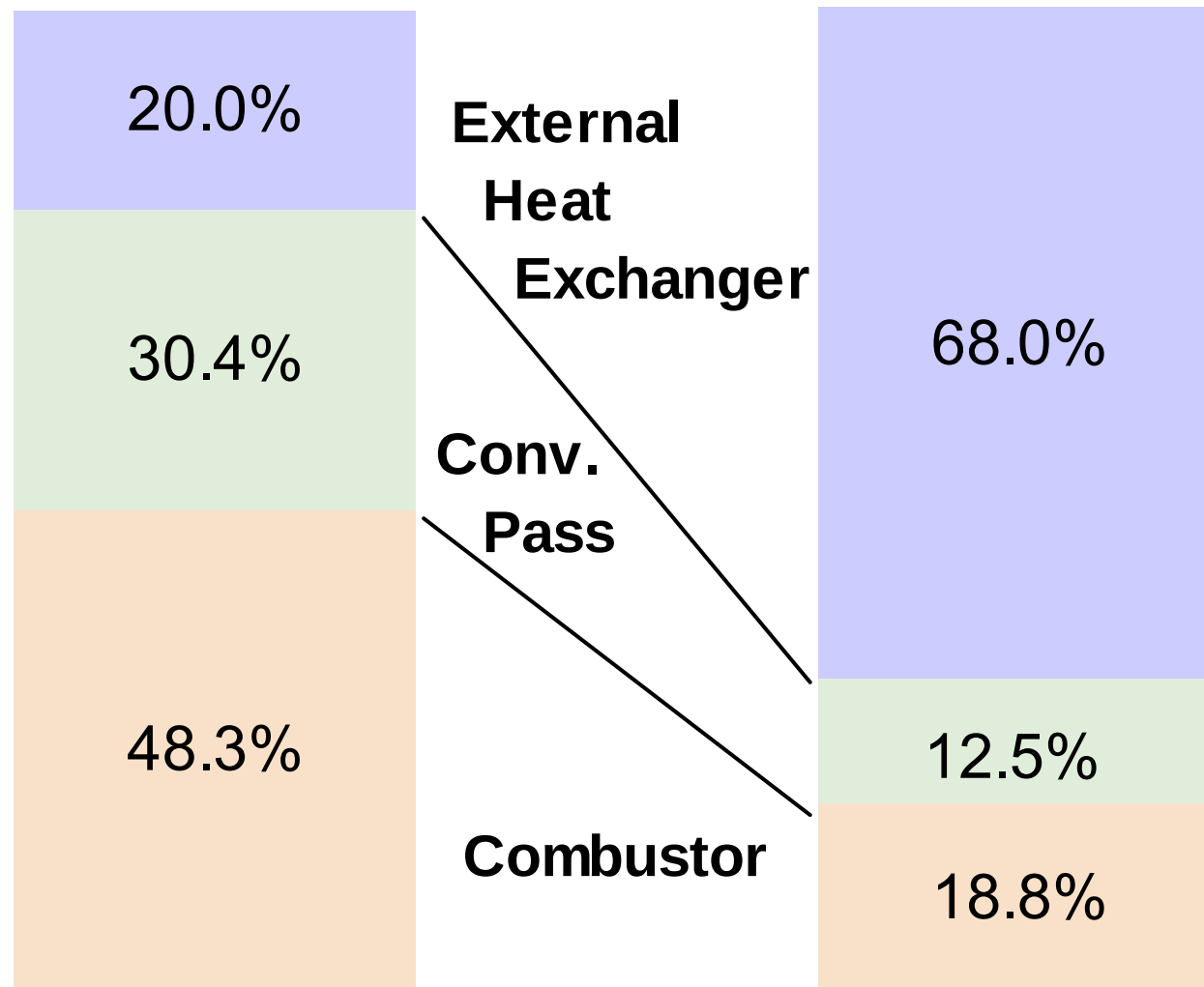
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O ₂	5	67	25	3	22
30% O ₂	6	83.5	7	3.5	65

Greenfield option: Circulating Fluidized Bed reduces recirculation of flue gas



	N ₂	CO ₂	H ₂ O	O ₂	Rel Vol
AIR	75	15	7	3	100
O ₂	5	67	25	3	22
70% O ₂	6	83.5	7	3.5	28

CFB Heat Duties for Air and Oxy fired systems



AIR

70 % O₂
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Overview of ALSTOM Studies

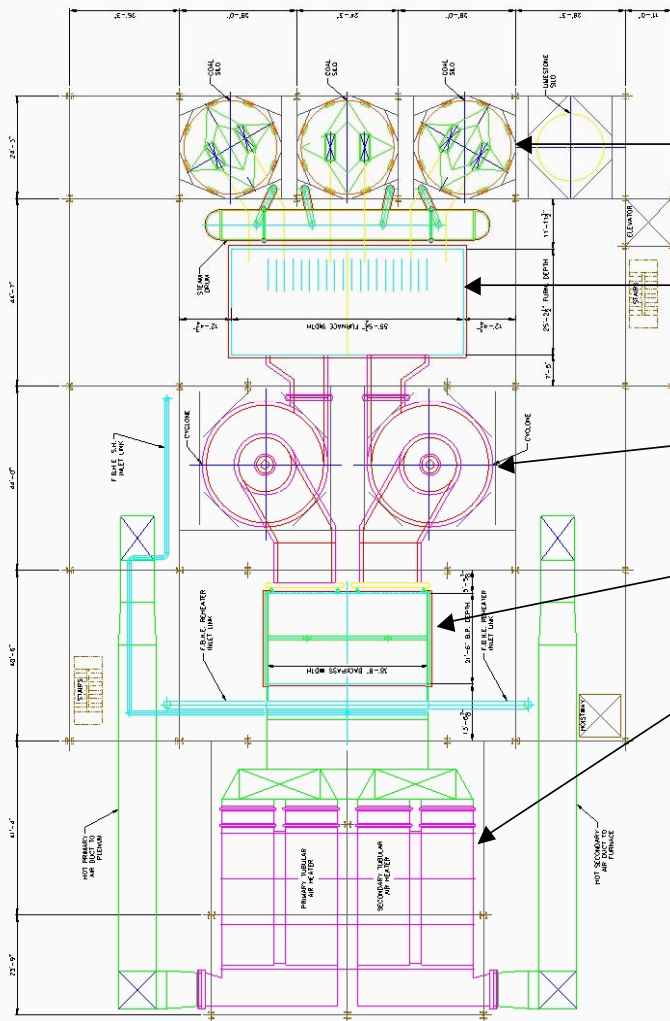
Developments Related to Oxy-firing for CO₂ Capture

ALSTOM CO₂ Capture Efforts

→	1998	ALSTOM	Technical Feasibility of a CO ₂ /O ₂ Combustion Retrofit to an Existing Coal-Fired Boiler for CO ₂ Extraction
→	1999	TransAlta	Preliminary Design and Costing of a CO ₂ /O ₂ Combustion Retrofit to an Existing Coal-Fired Boiler for CO ₂ Extraction
→	1999	ABB	Investigation of Ceramic Oxygen Transport Membrane Processes with Coal Fired Power Plants
	2000	Suncor	CFB Boiler Integrated with 300 Tonnes per Day CO ₂ Removal System for Suncor Thermal Solvent Process Project
	2000	12 of 18 CO₂ studies focused on O₂ firing: a variety of partners EU, DOE, State agencies and utilities	
	2001		
	1999 - 2001	OCDO / DOE / ALSTOM	Engineering Feasibility and Economics of CO ₂ Capture on an Existing Coal-Fired Power Plant
→	2001 - 2004	DOE / ALSTOM	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Control by Oxygen Firing in Circulating Fluidized Bed Boilers
→	2002 - 2003	EU	GRACE – Chemical Looping Combustion – Feasibility Study
→	2003 - 2004	ADEME / ALSTOM	CO ₂ Capture – (cascade cryogenics) – ECS/BUB
→	2003 - 2004	ADEME / ALSTOM	CO ₂ Capture - Calcium Cycle
	2003 - 2005	DOE / ALSTOM	Hybrid Combustion Gasification Chemical Looping Coal Power
→	2003 - 2005	ADEME	EDF - 2015
→	2003 - 2006	EU	ENCAP
→	2004	EU / IPFP6	ENCAP (Oxyfiring – Chemical Looping)
→	2004 - 2006	DOE / ALSTOM	Commercialization Development of O ₂ -Fired CFB for Greenhouse Gas Control
	2005 - 2006	DOE	CO ₂ Capture from Existing Fleet Feasibility Study
→	2006 – 2009	DOE / BOC / ALSTOM	Pilot Scale Demonstration of CAR Technology on Oxygen Boilers

Advanced O₂ Technologies

Comparison of plant layouts: 210MWe Gross



Air Fired

Coal Silos (3)

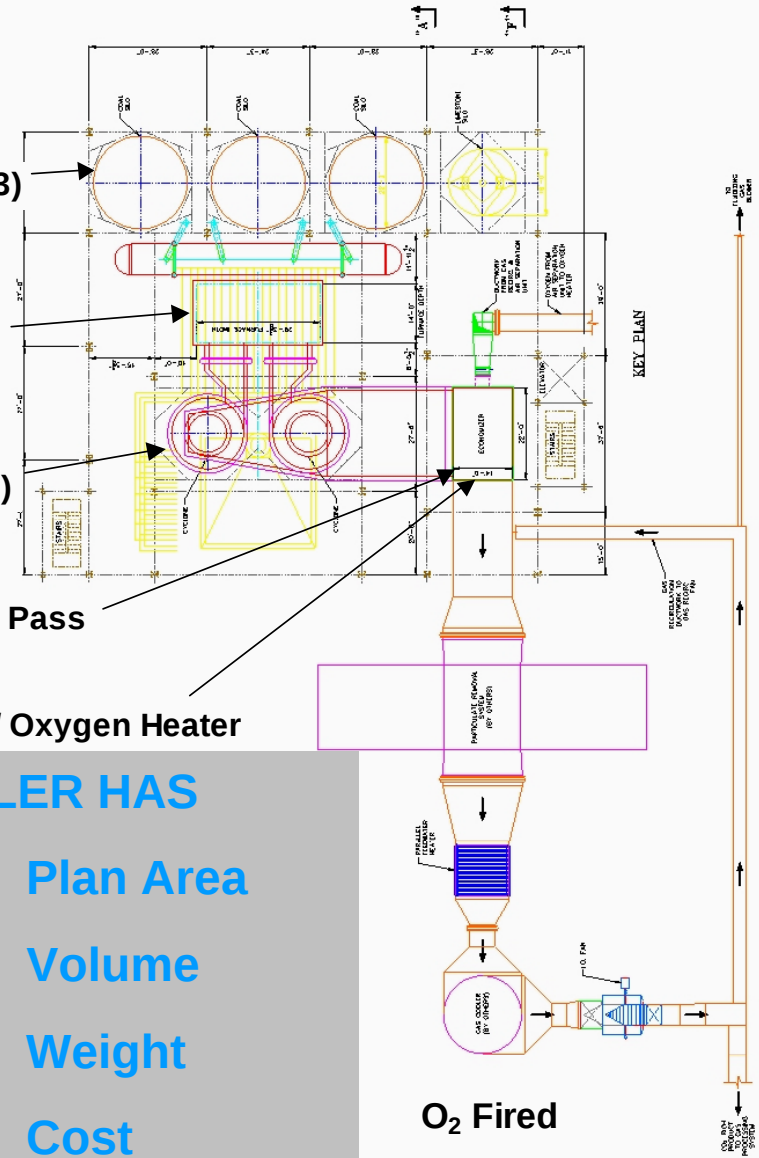
Furnace

Cyclones (2)

Convective Pass

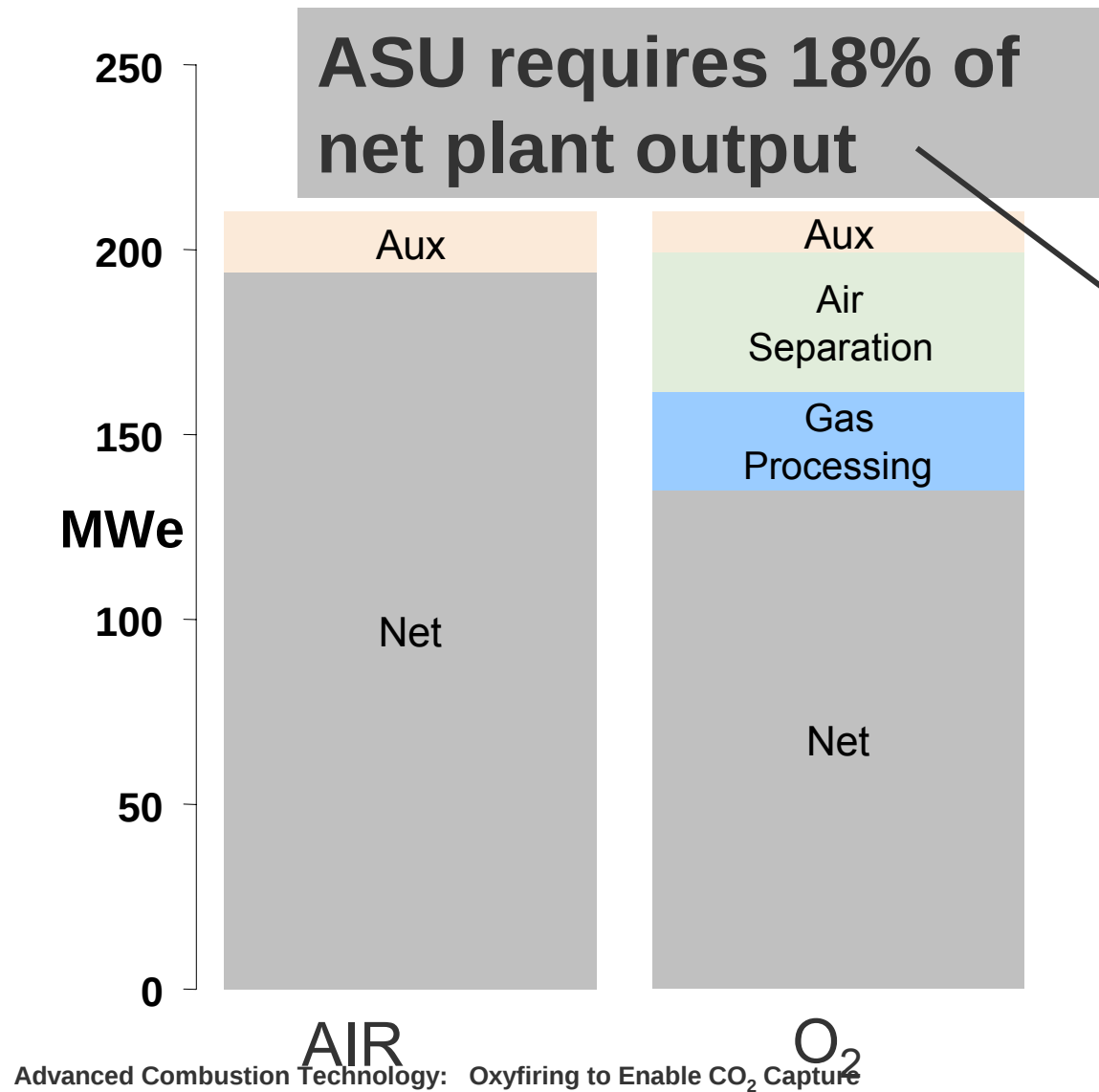
Tubular Air/ Oxygen Heater

O ₂ BOILER HAS	
51%	Plan Area
56%	Volume
65%	Weight
68%	Cost



O₂ Fired

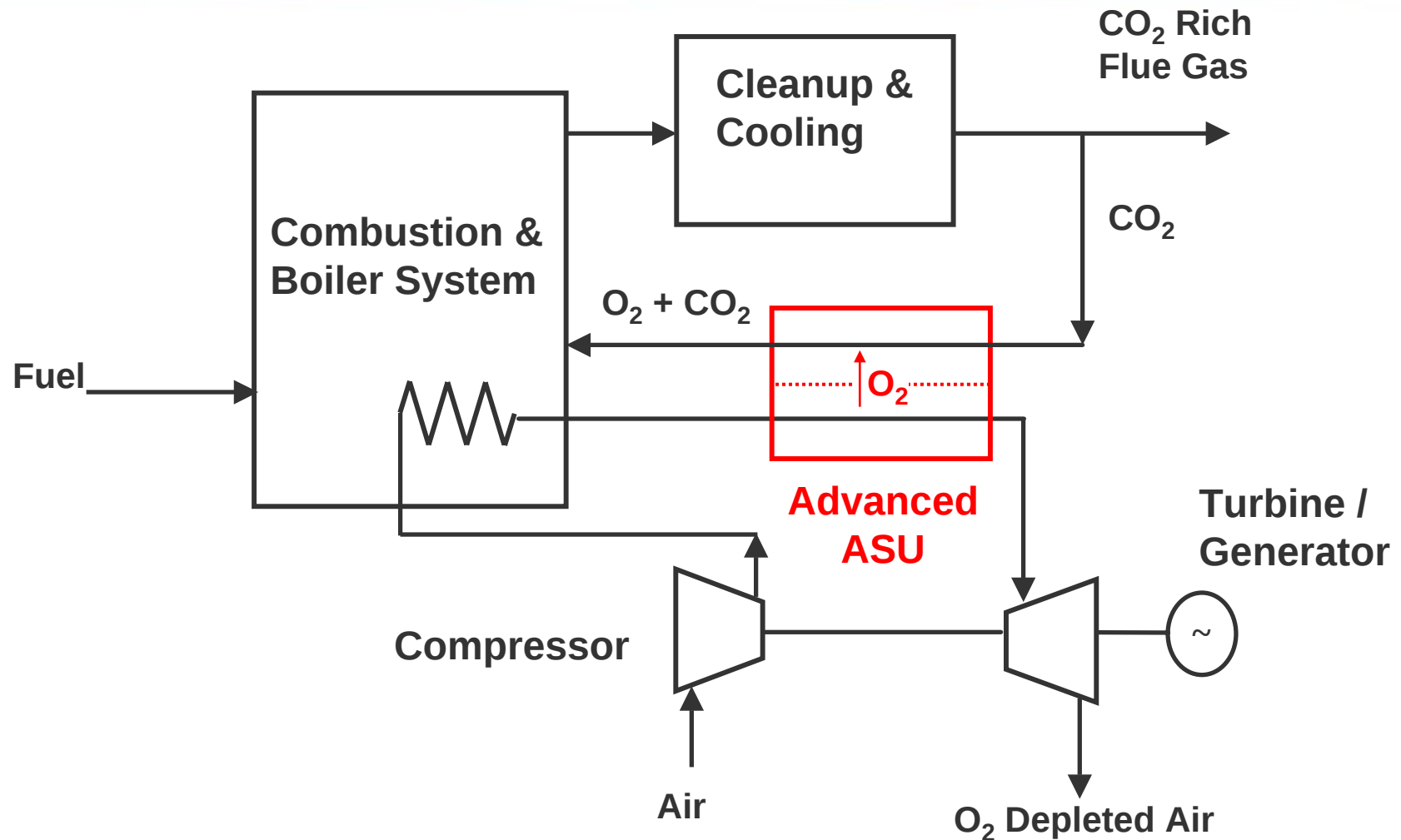
Comparison of plant power output: 210MWe Gross



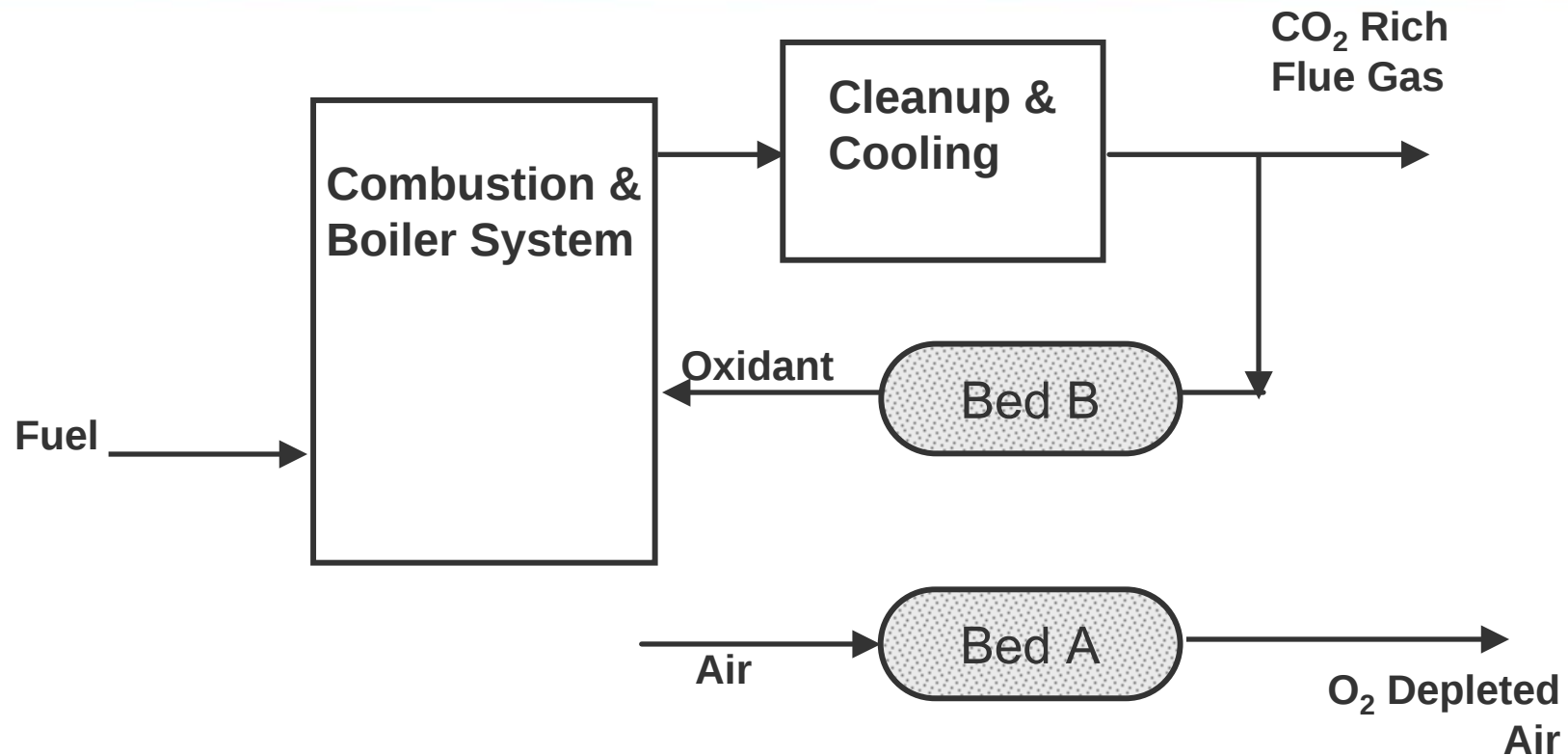
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Evaluation of Advanced Oxygen Separation

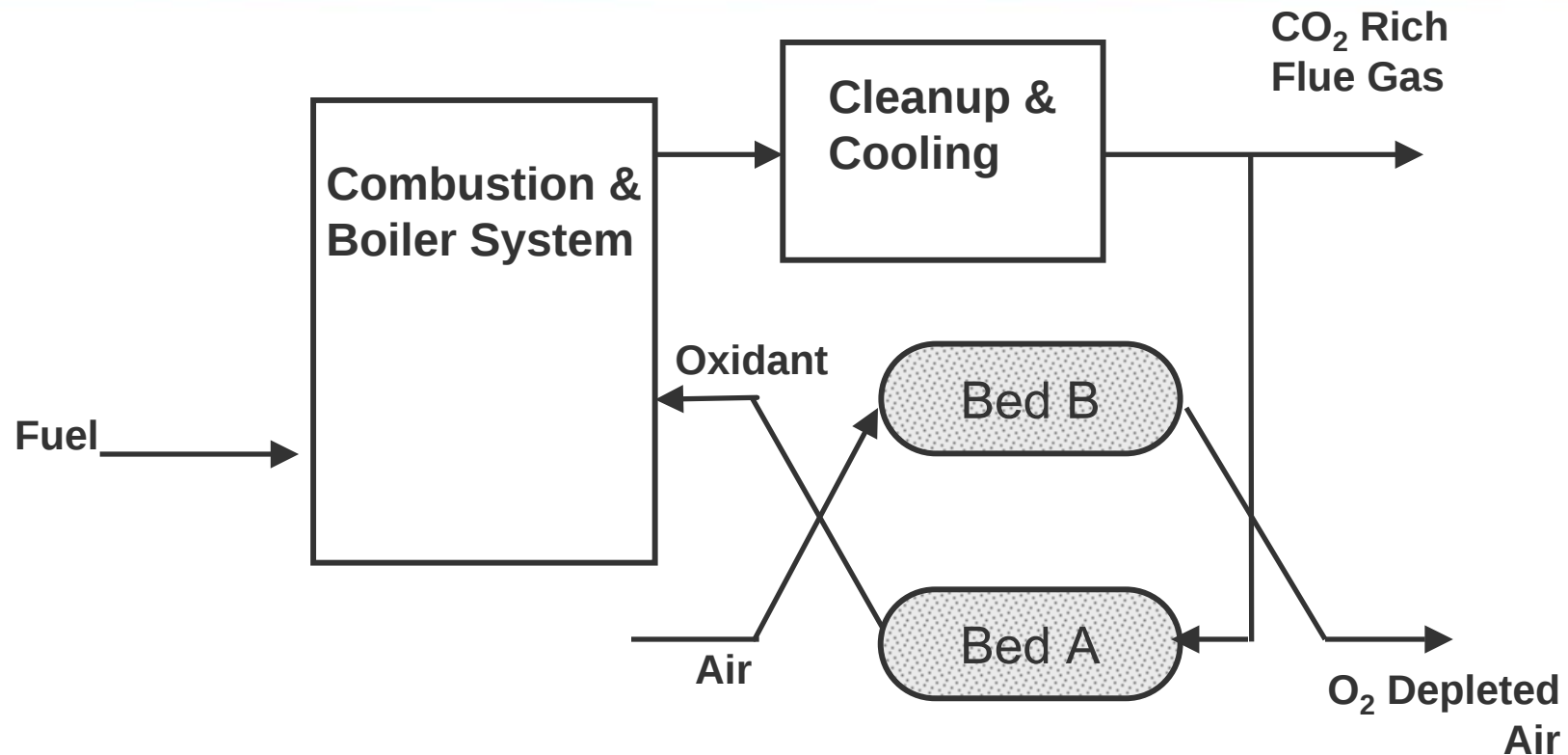


Evaluation of Ceramic Autothermal Recovery



Perovskite materials have the capacity to absorb oxygen from air

Evaluation of Ceramic Autothermal Recovery



Cycle the valves to recharge
Bed B while Bed A is used.

Advanced vs. Cryogenic ASU

	<u>AIR</u>	<u>CRYOGENIC</u> <u>ASU</u>	<u>ADVANCED</u> <u>ASU</u>
Total Aux Power, % of Gross	8	36	20
Plant Efficiency, % HHV	35	25	30
Capital Cost*, \$/kW	1300	2500	2400
COE*, ¢/kWh	4.5	8.0	7.0

Summary from DOE Phase I Study

*** in 2003 dollars**



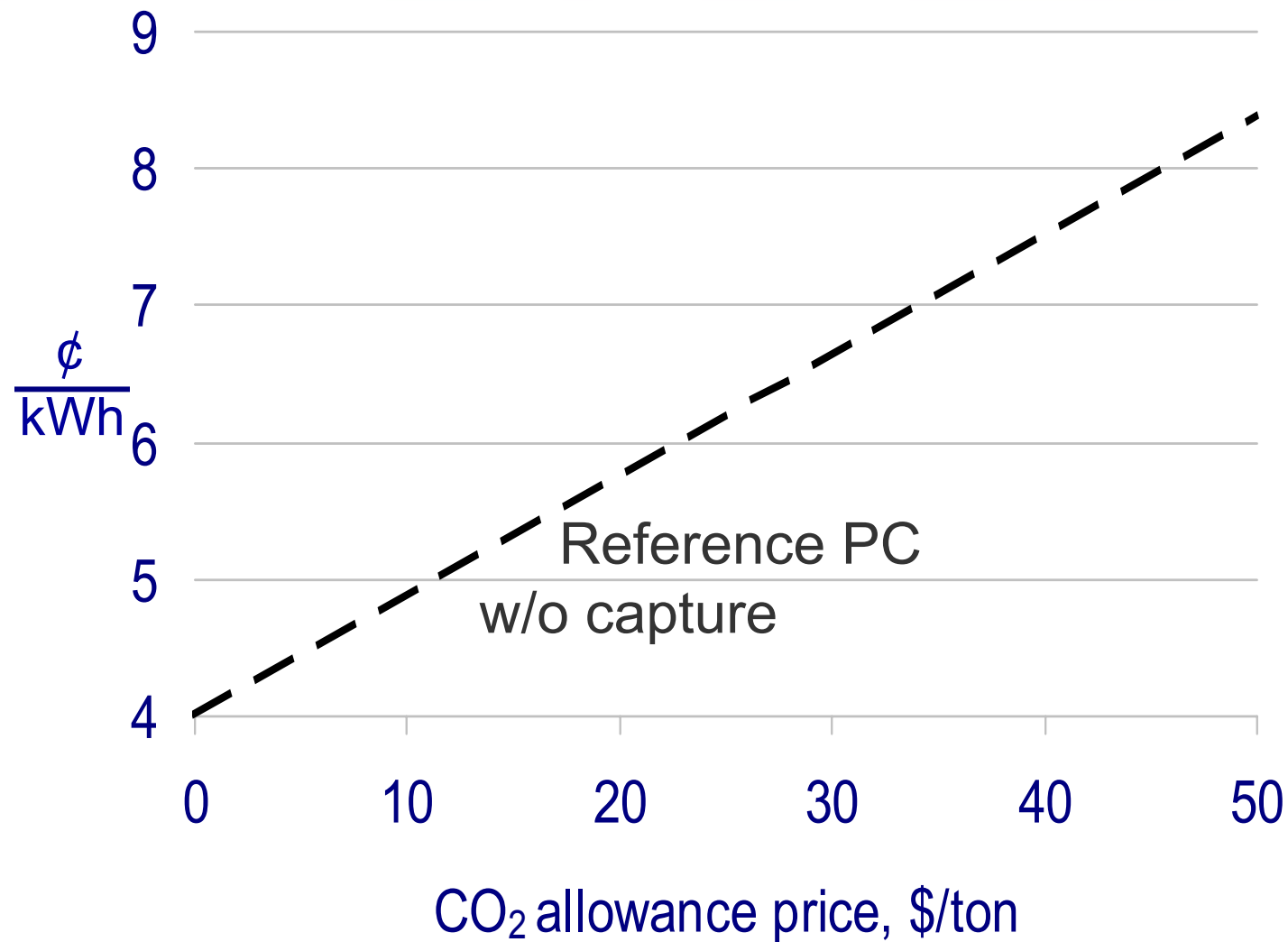
ALSTOM Economic Studies

CO₂ Capture with Coal Power

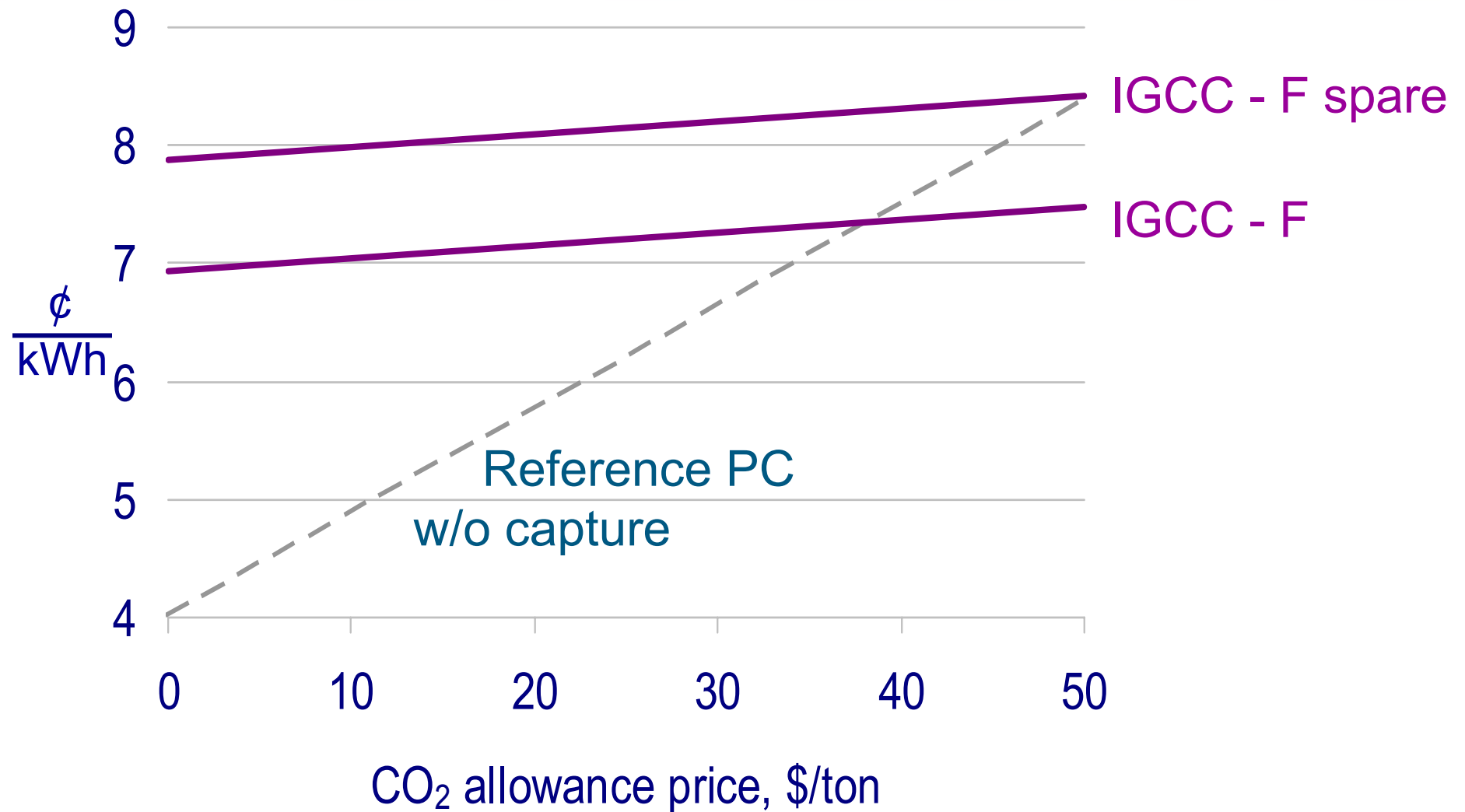
ALSTOM CO₂ Capture for Power Studies:

#	Project Name	Sponsors	Years	
1	Technical Feasibility of a CO ₂ /O ₂ Combustion Retrofit to an Existing Coal-Fired Boiler for CO ₂ Extraction	ABB	1998	
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3	Integration of Ceramic Oxygen Transport Membrane Processes with Coal Fired Power Plants	ABB	1999	
4	CFB Bo Suncor	Fourteen economic studies from 1998 – 2006 with a variety of partners: DOE, EU and utilities		2000
5	CO ₂ Cap Project f Sequestration			2000
6	CO ₂ Capture in a Coal-Fired Boiler: Economic and Performance Sensitivity to CO ₂ Capture Percentage for Amine-Based Processes	ALSTOM Power Inc.	2001	
7	Engineering Feasibility and Economics of CO ₂ Capture on an Existing Coal-Fired Power Plant	OCDO/DOE NETL	1999-2001	
8	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Control by Oxygen Firing in Circulating Fluidized Bed Boilers	DOE NETL	2001-2004	
9	GRACE - Chemical Looping Combustion - Feasability study	EU	2002 - 2003	
10	CO2 capture (cascade cryogenics) - ECS/BUB	ADEME	2003 - 2004	
11	CO2 Capture - Calcium cycle	ADEME	2003 - 2004	
12	EDF - 2015	ADEME	2003 - 2005	
13	ENCAP (Oxyfiring - Chemical Looping)	EU / IPFP6	2004	
14	EnCap	EU	2003 – 2006	

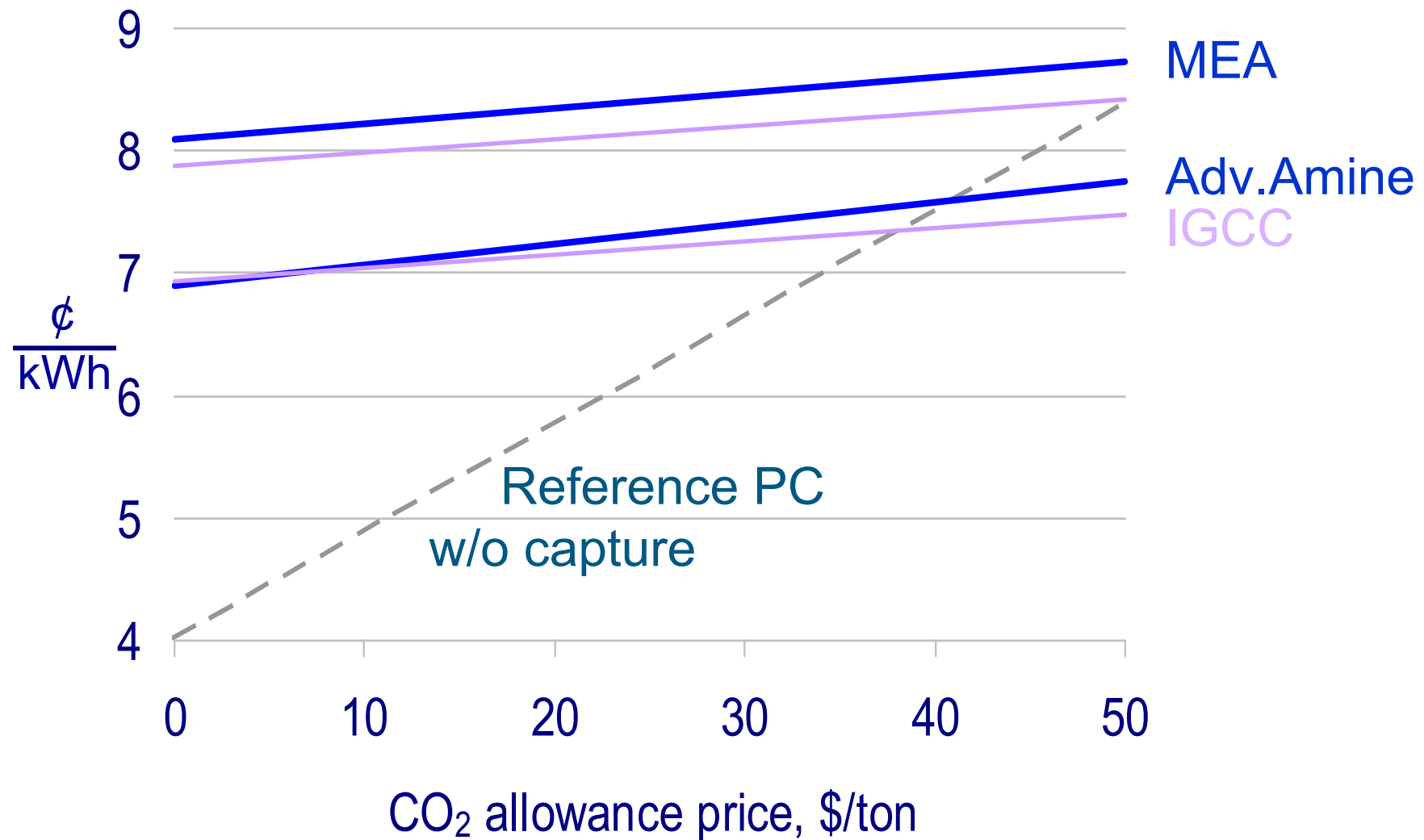
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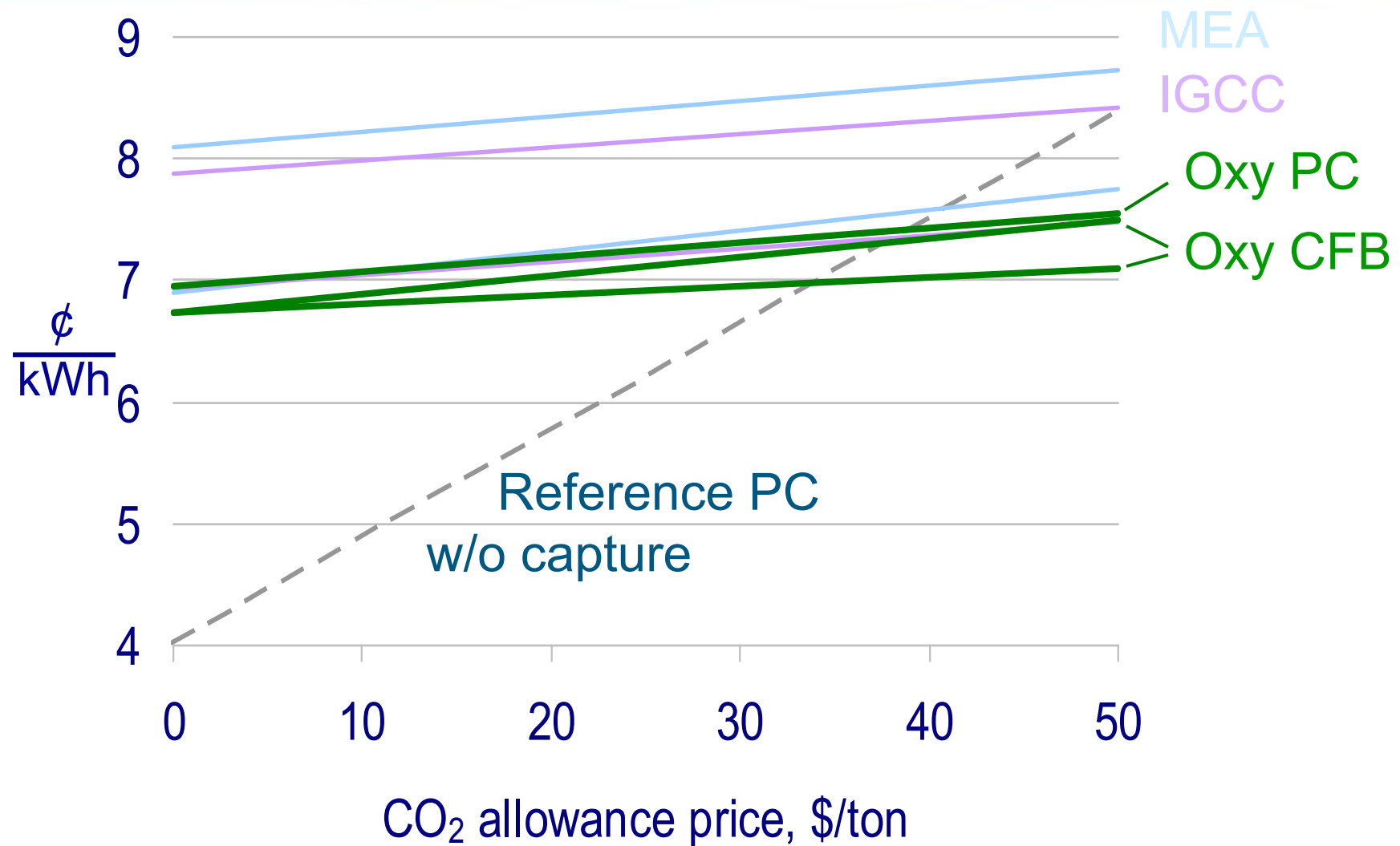
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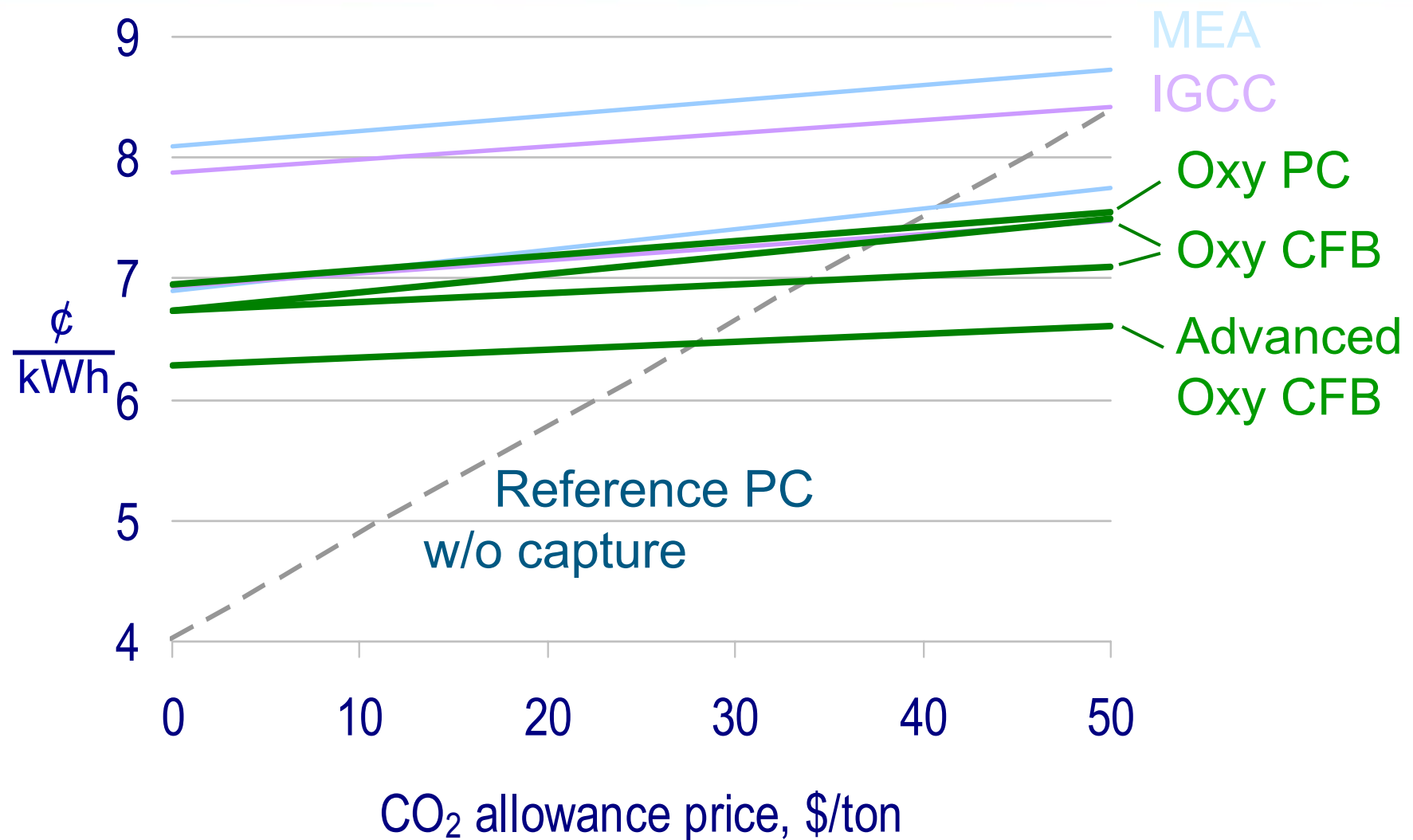
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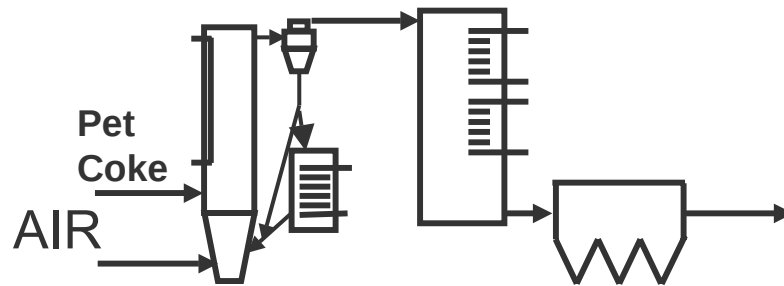
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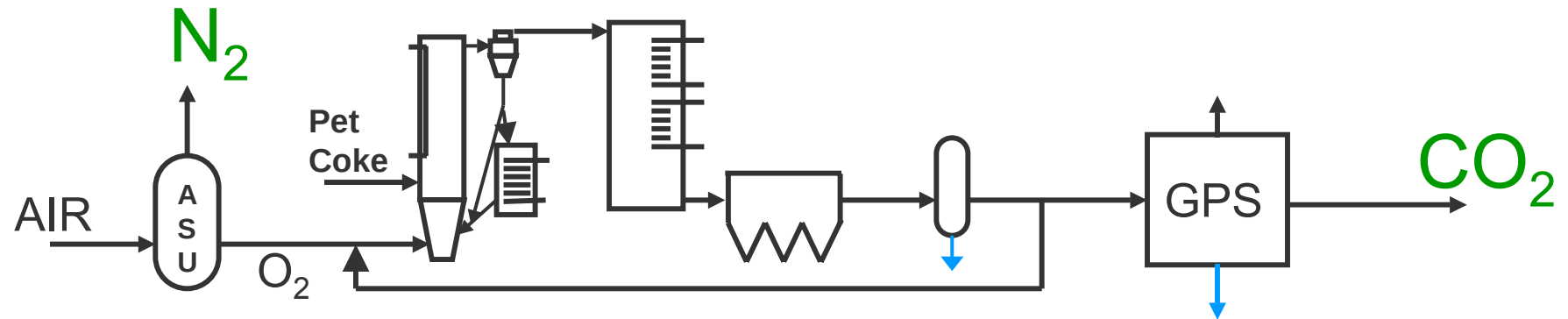
Levelized COE



CFB Greenfield/Retrofit for EOR



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Use CO_2 and N_2 for Enhanced Oil Recovery

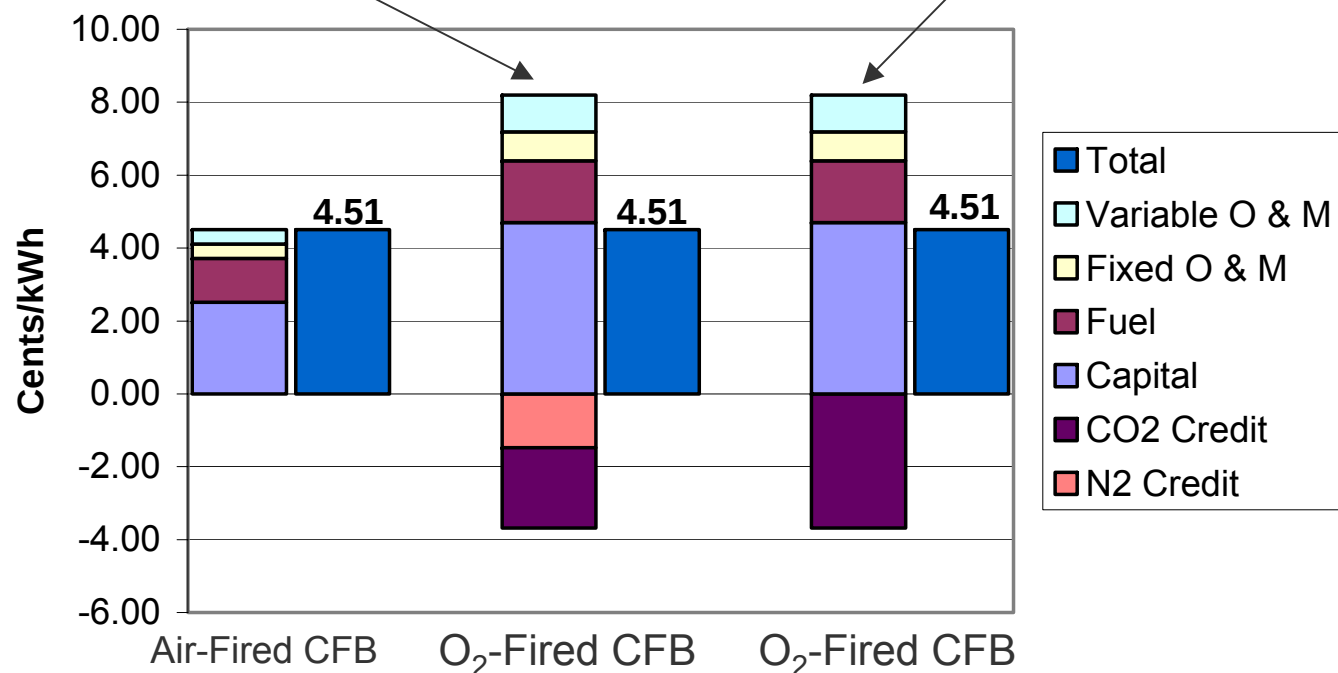
EOR Economics (210 MWe Gross, Greenfield)

Breakeven COE met with credits

- CO₂ : 17 \$/ton
- N₂ : 4 \$/ton

Breakeven COE met with credits

- CO₂ : 28 \$/ton



CFD Evaluation

- **Objective:** Simulation studies with Fluent™ of Conesville #5 to evaluate water-wall heat flux distribution and overall heat transfer in the furnace.

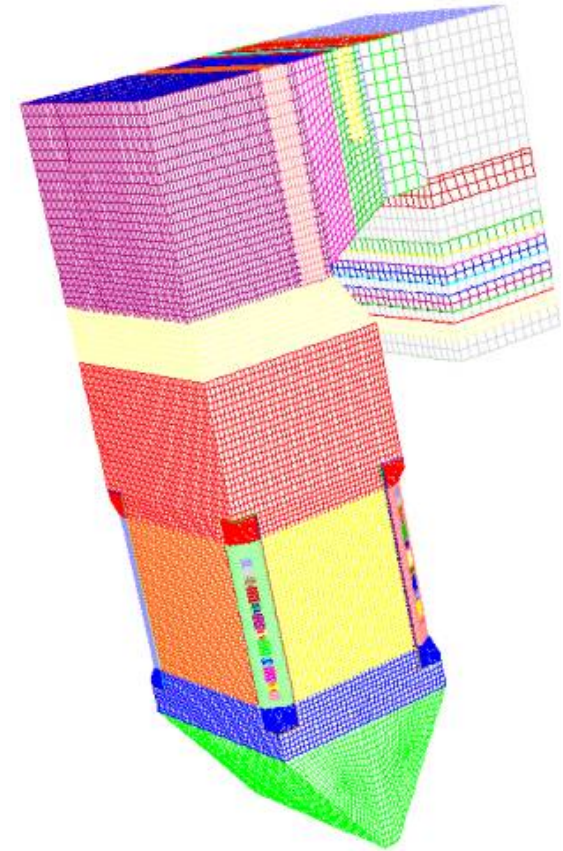
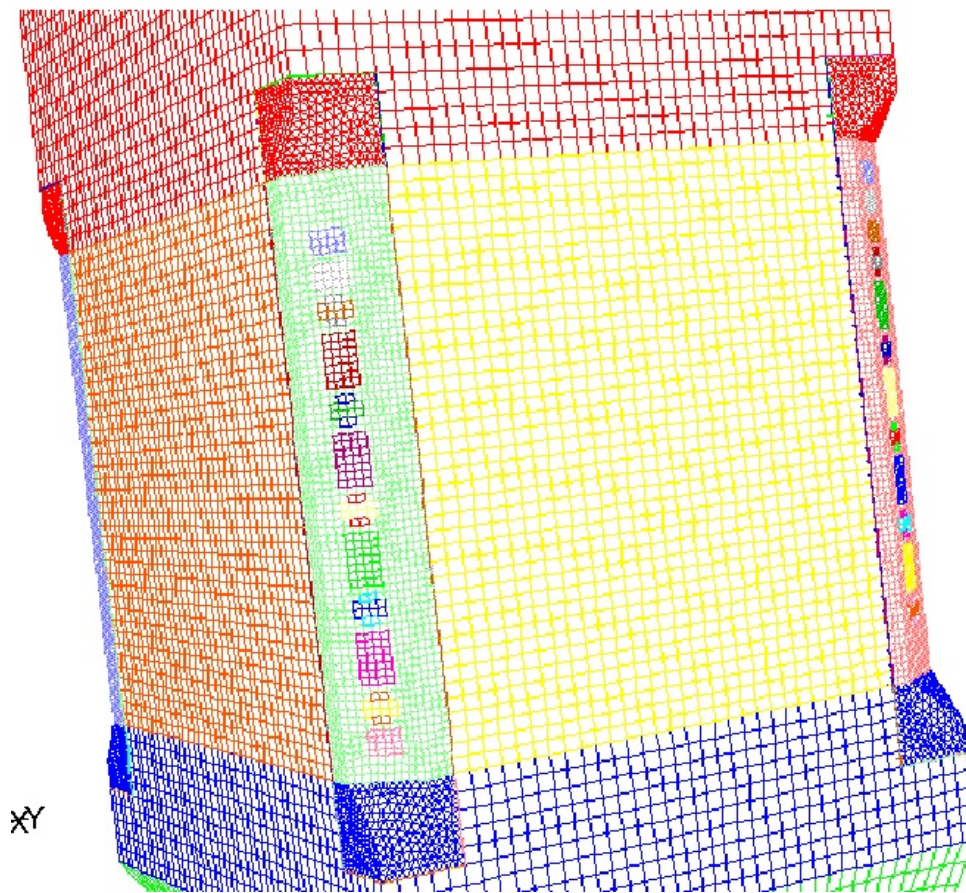
- **Approach:**

- (1) Calibrate ALSTOM Power Inc.'s version of Fluent™ CFD code with a baseline Conesville #5 coal combustion case
- (2) Use calibrated code to evaluate impact of the same coal combustion in various CO₂/O₂ ratios.

- **Outputs:**

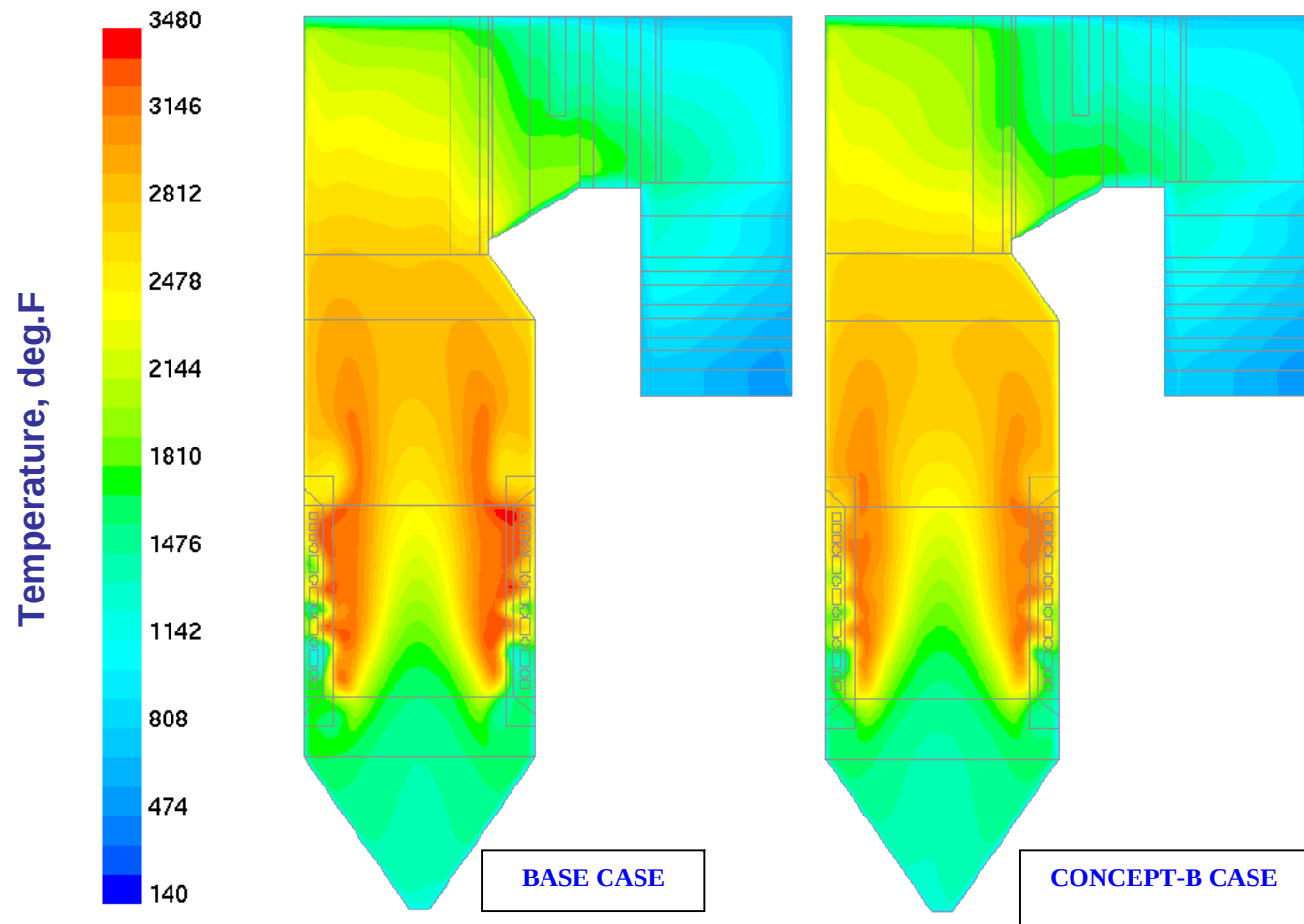
- Relative radiation heat fluxes
- Heat transfer
- Furnace outlet temperature
- Unburned carbon
- NO_x emissions.

Conesville #5: Base Case CFD Grid

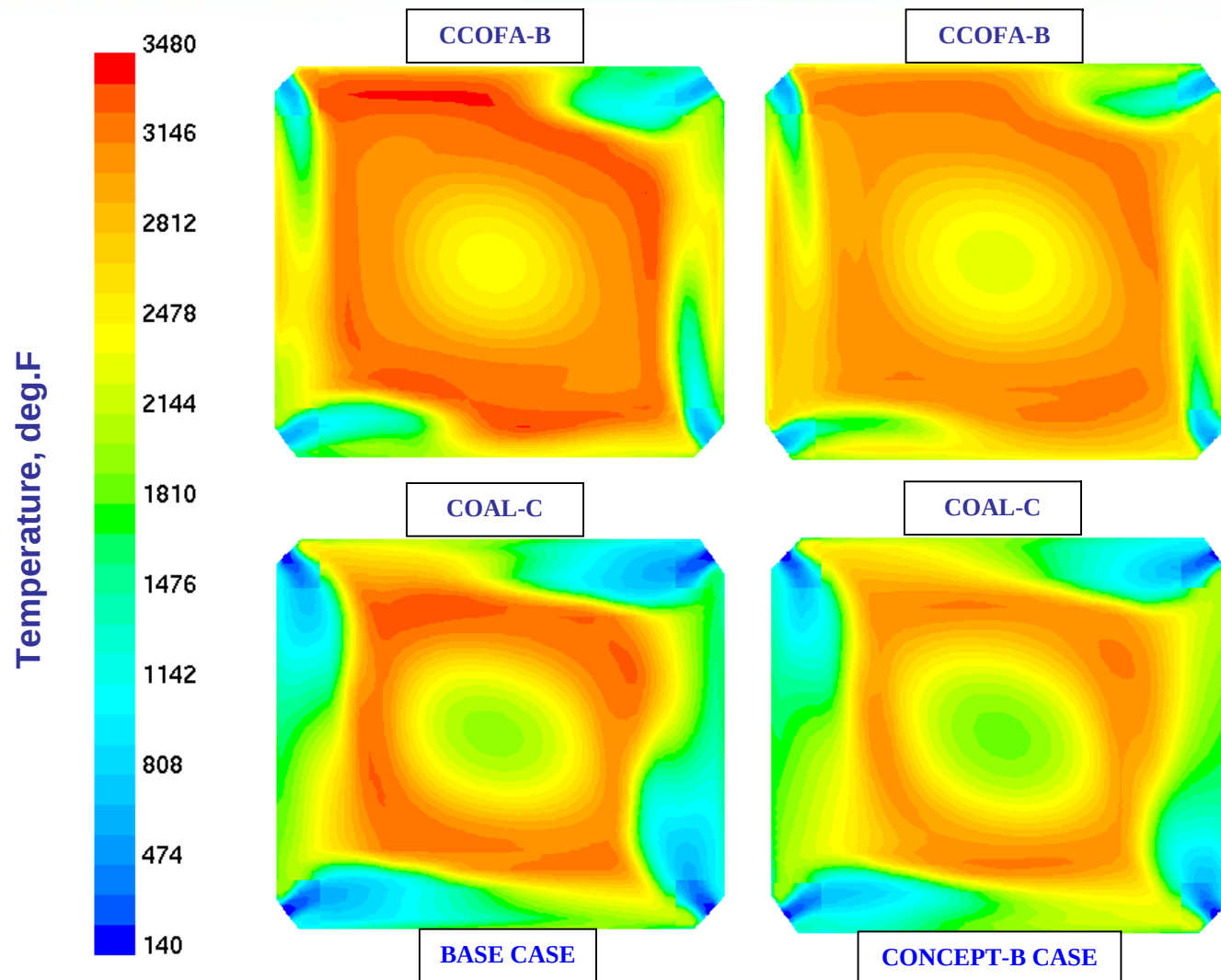


315,000 Cells (Unstructured Mesh)

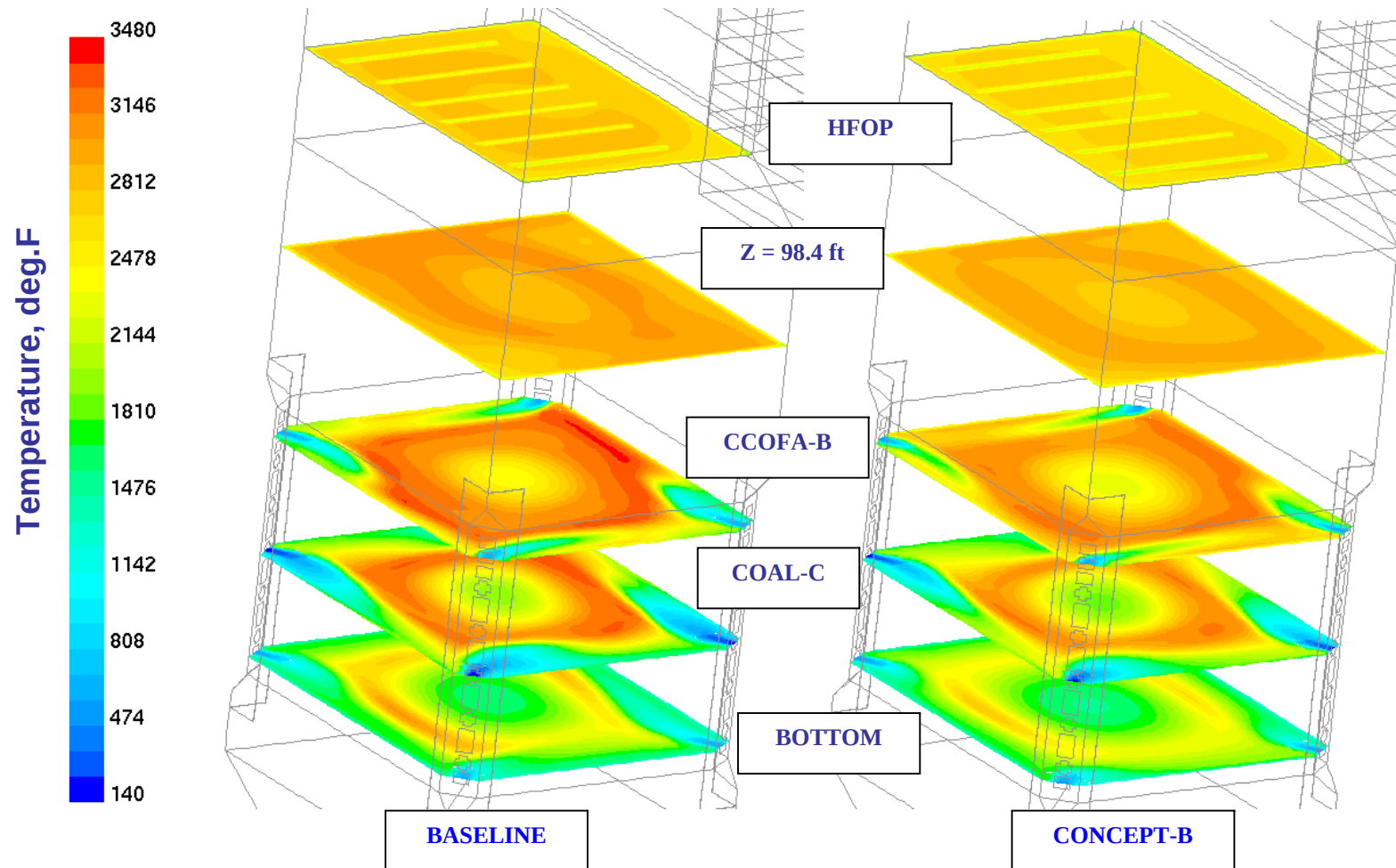
Conesville #5: Base Case Temperature Contours



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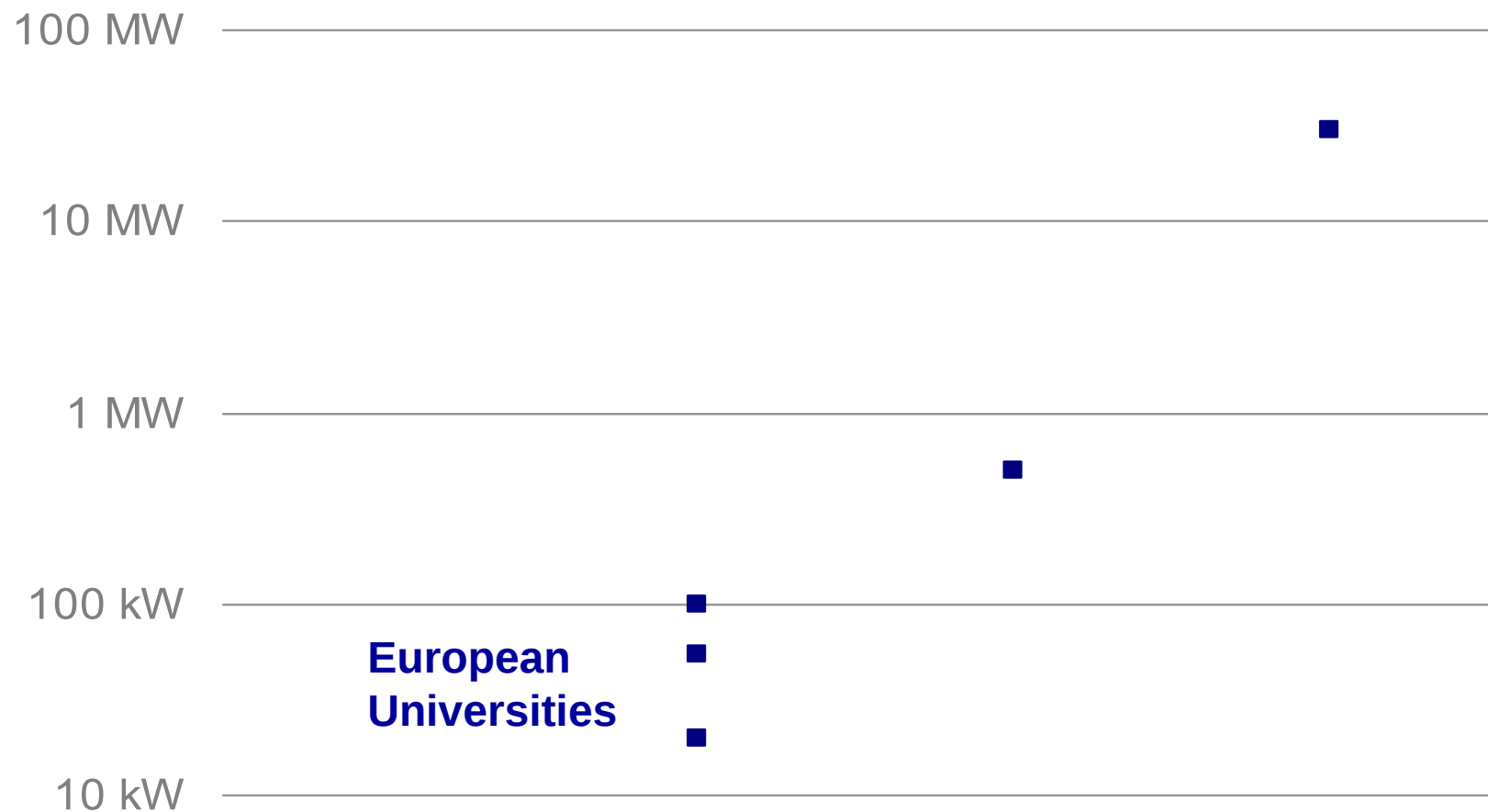
Conesville #5: Temperature Contours at elevations



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PC Firing



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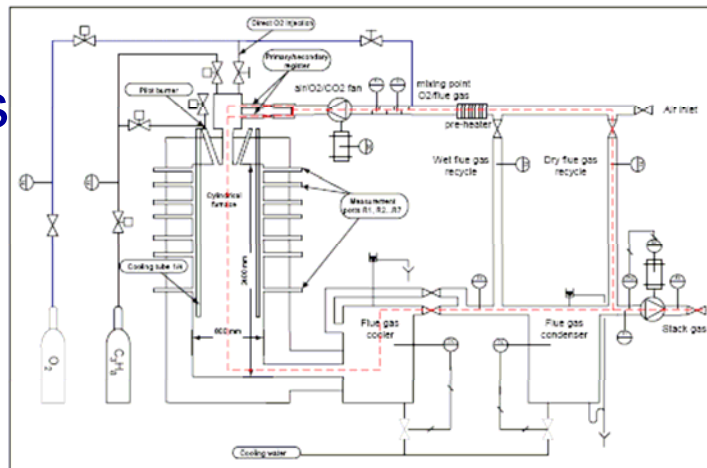
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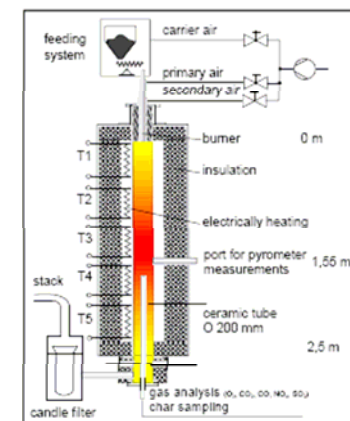
Small Scale Test Results

Test facilities in WP 3.1

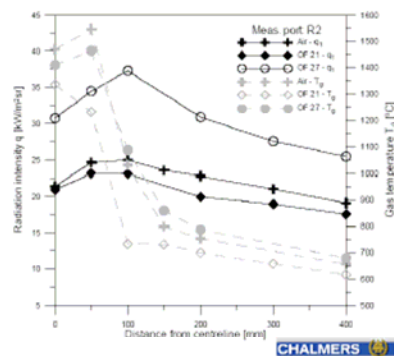
Gas Emissions
Concentration Profiles
Ignition and Burnout
Ash Characterization
Temperature Profiles
Radiation Intensity



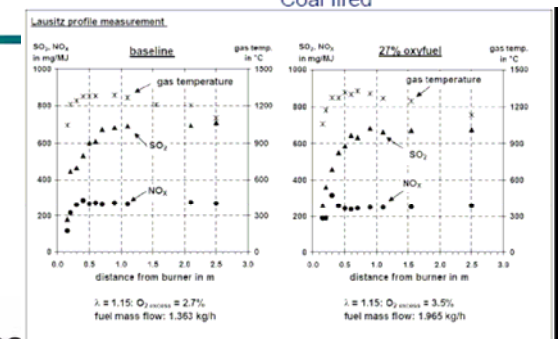
100 kW oxyfuel test rig at Chalmers
Gas and coal fired



20 kW test rig at U. Stuttgart
Coal fired

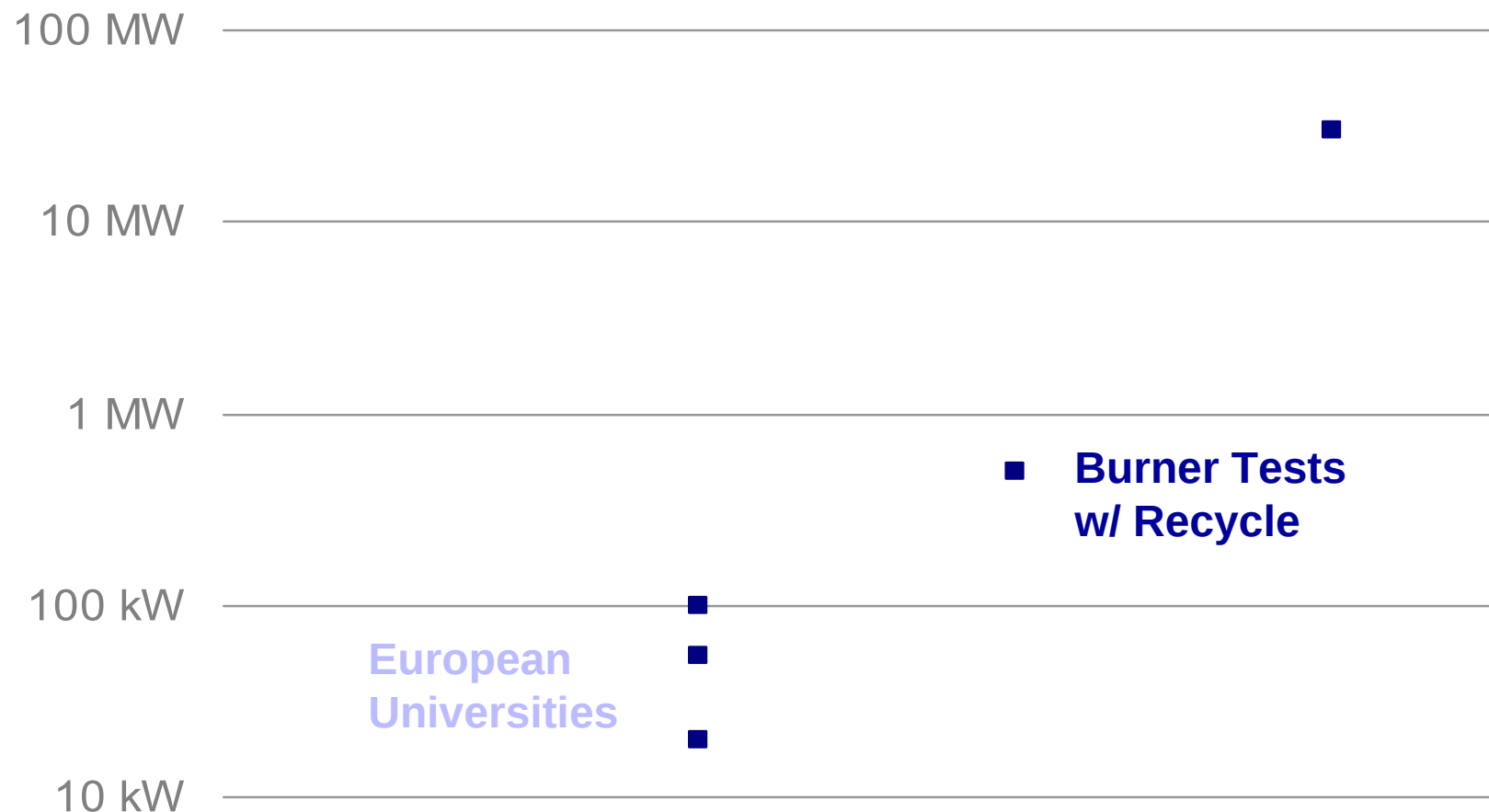


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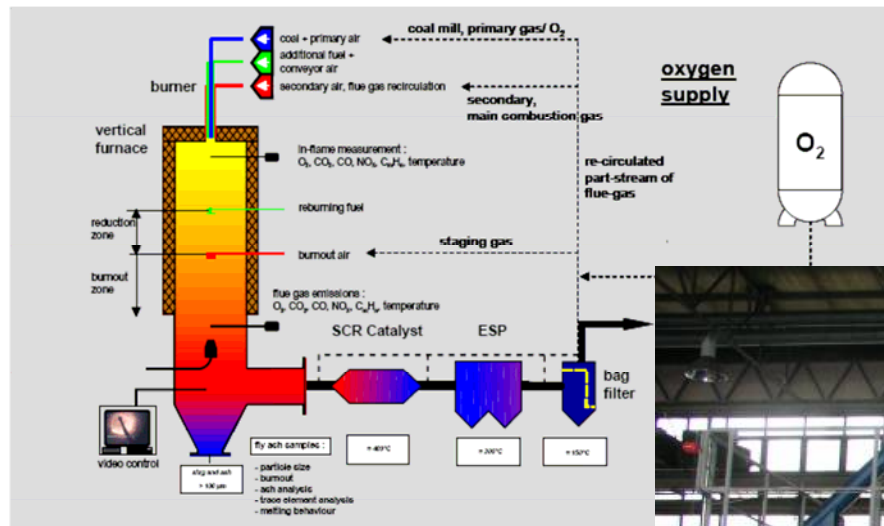
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500 kW test facility at U. Stuttgart



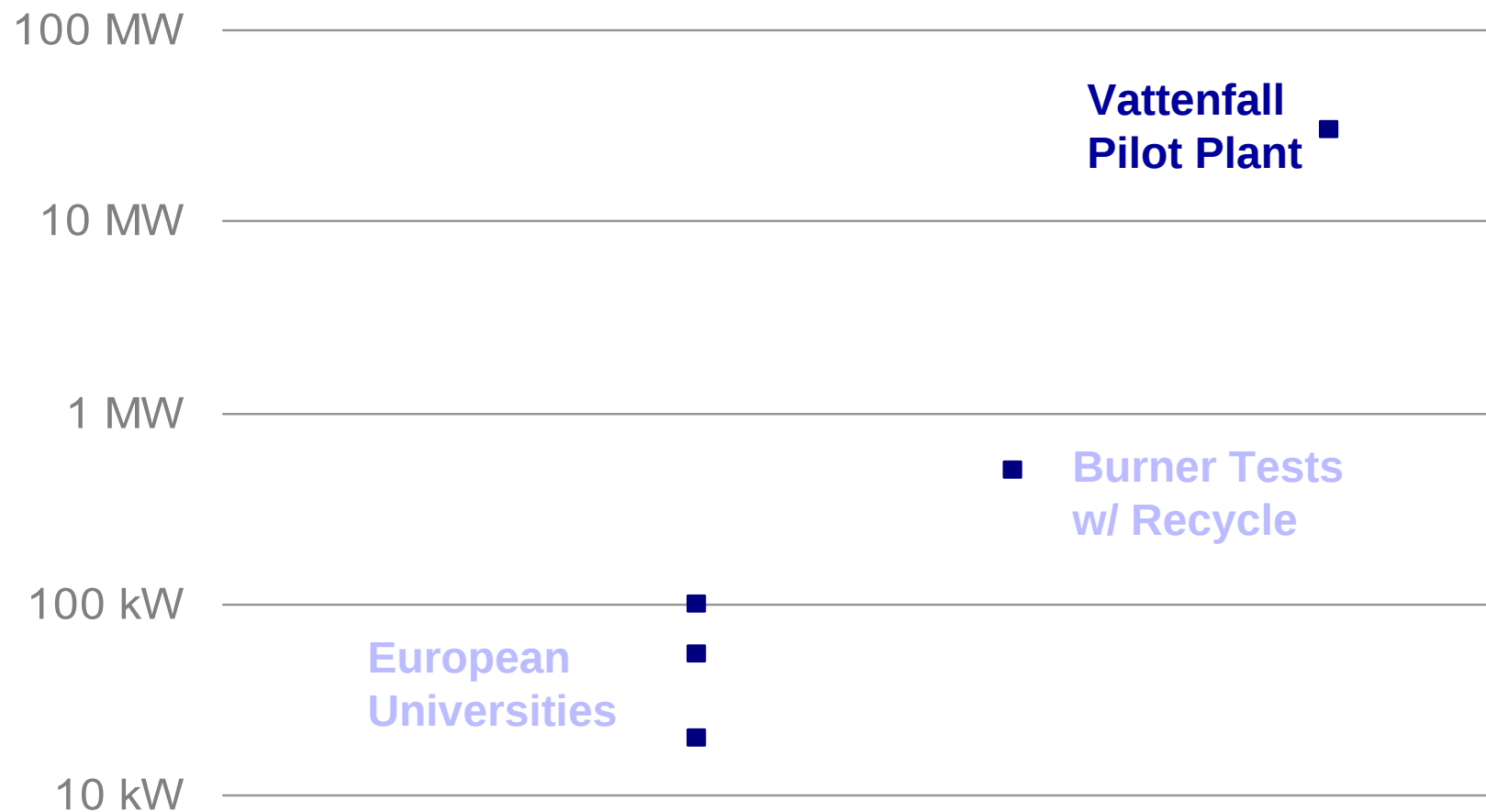
Burner Development with Flue Gas Recirculation



500 kW_{th} at both Cottbus
and Stuttgart Universities
with ALSTOM
participation

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Vattenfall 30 MW_{th} PC



Schwarze Pumpe Power Station
Brandenburg, Germany

 boiler and firing systems
supplier



Vattenfall 30 MW_{th} PC

Complete Oxy-Fired Pilot Plant Startup in 2008



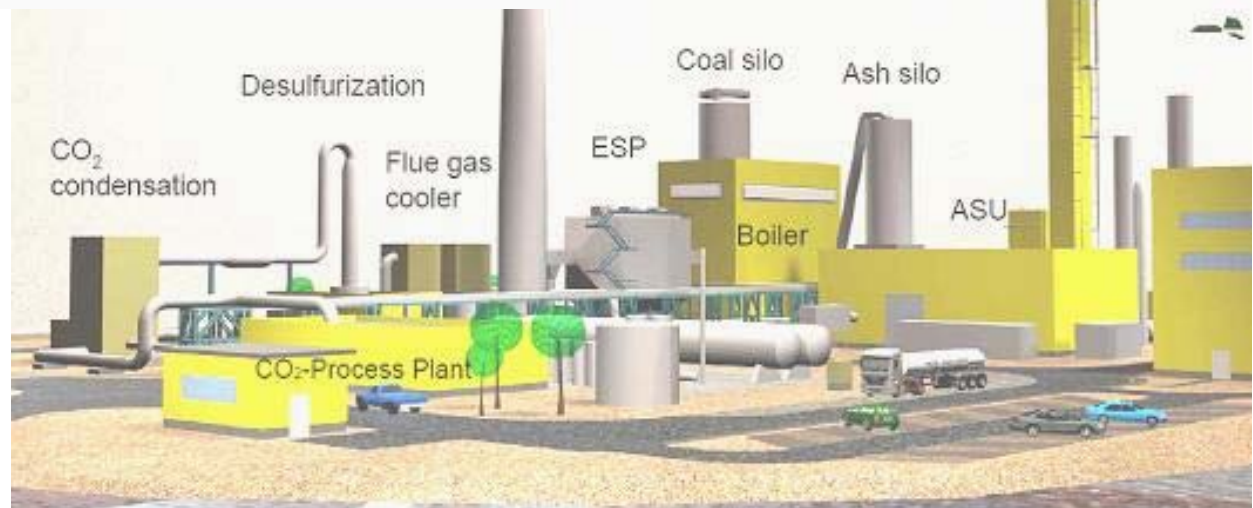
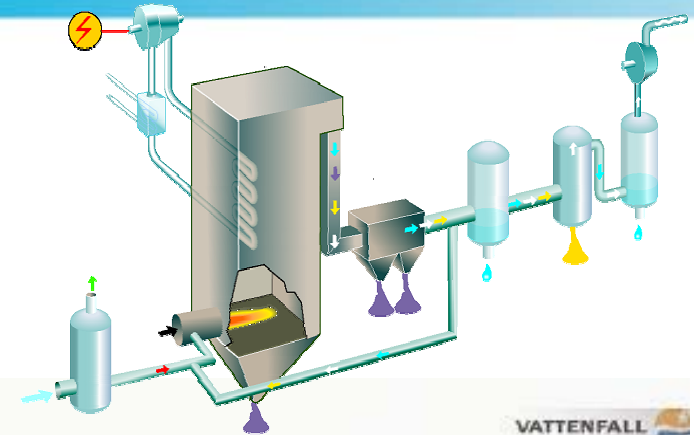
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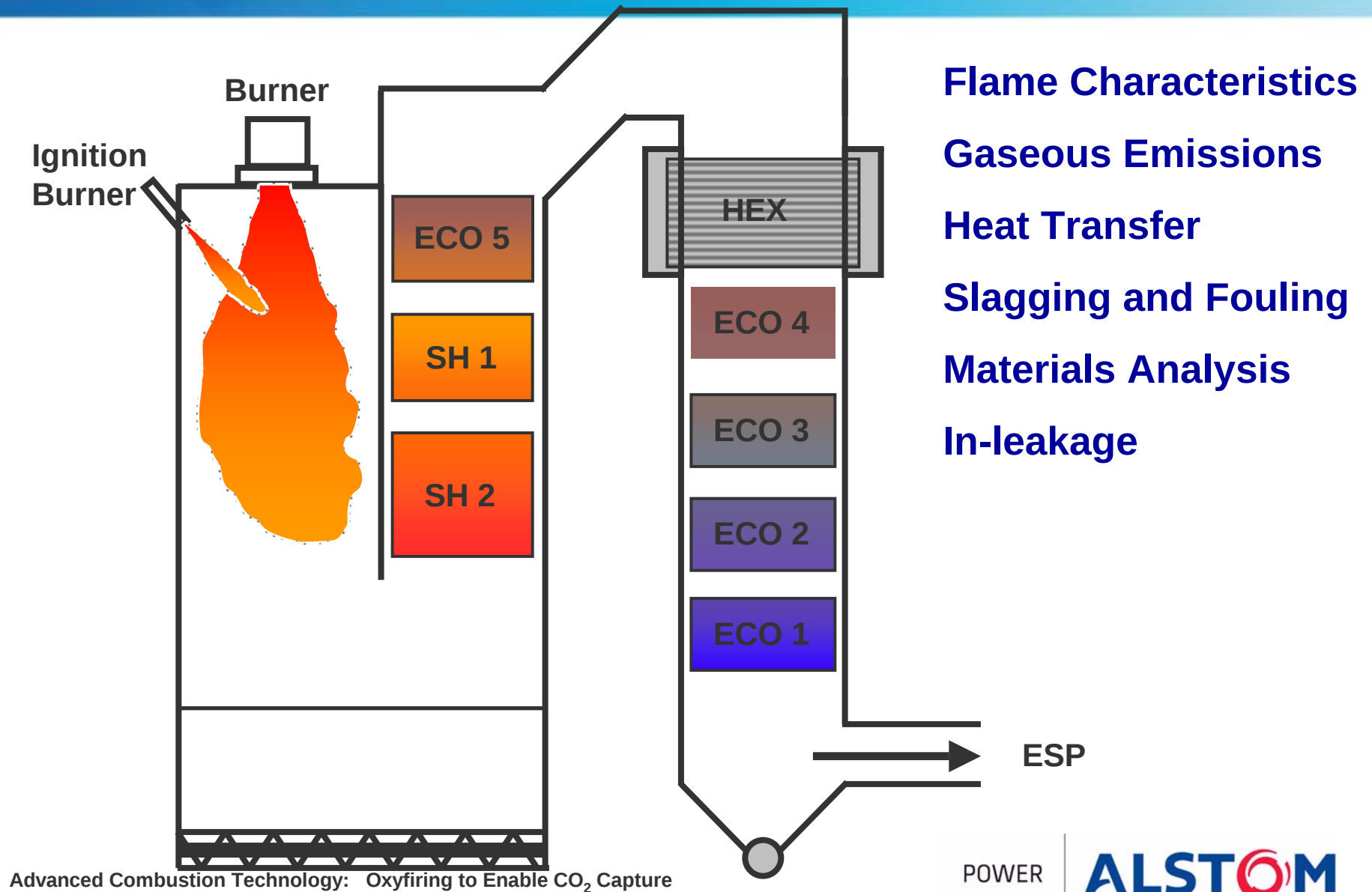
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Vattenfall 30 MW_{th} PC

Pre-Dried Lignite and Bituminous
Air Blown Reference Operation
21-39% Overall Oxygen Enrichment
Staged Combustion with Varying
Enrichments
Load Changes and Dynamic
Interactions
CO₂ Compression vs. Inert Levels

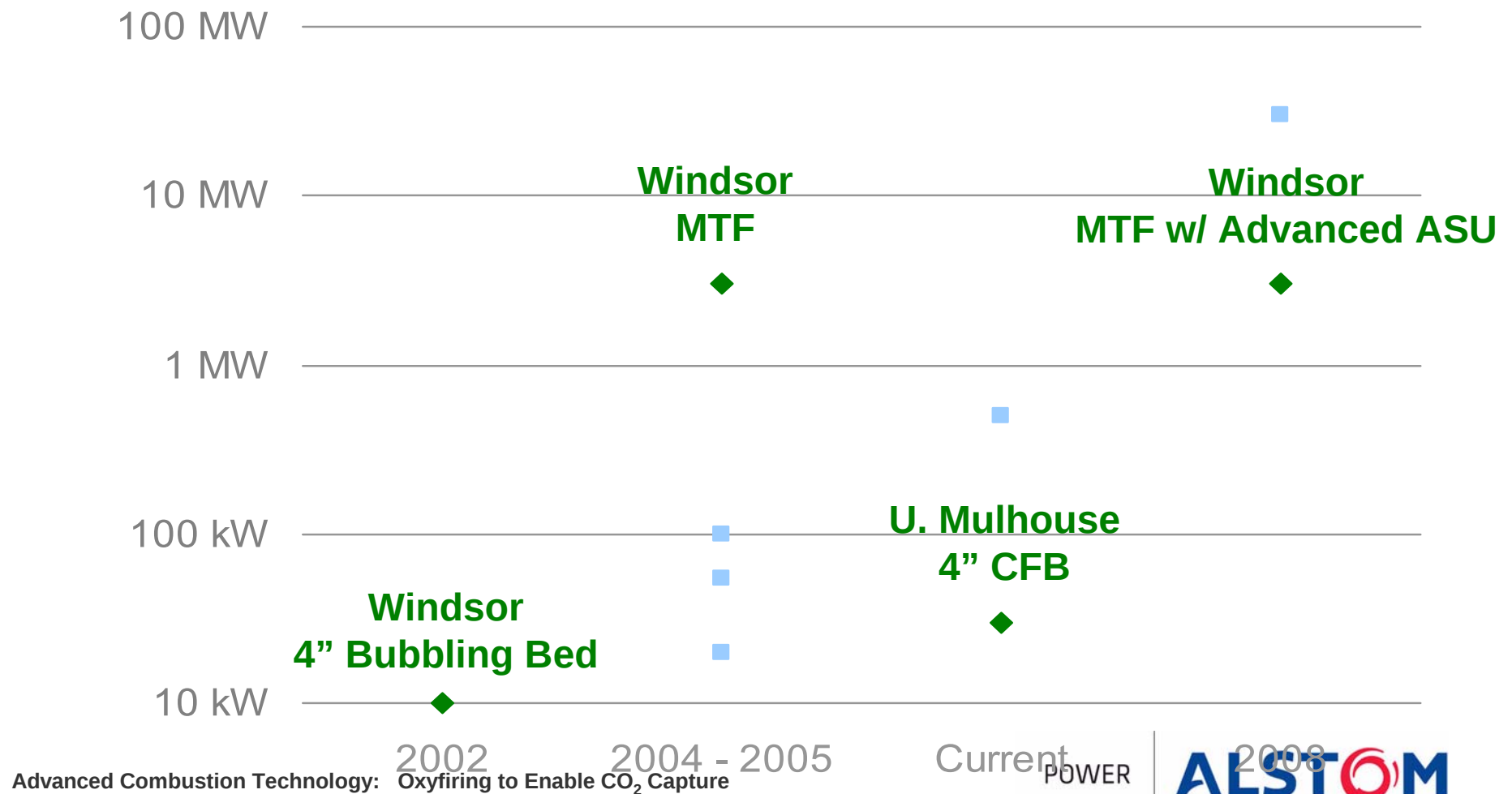


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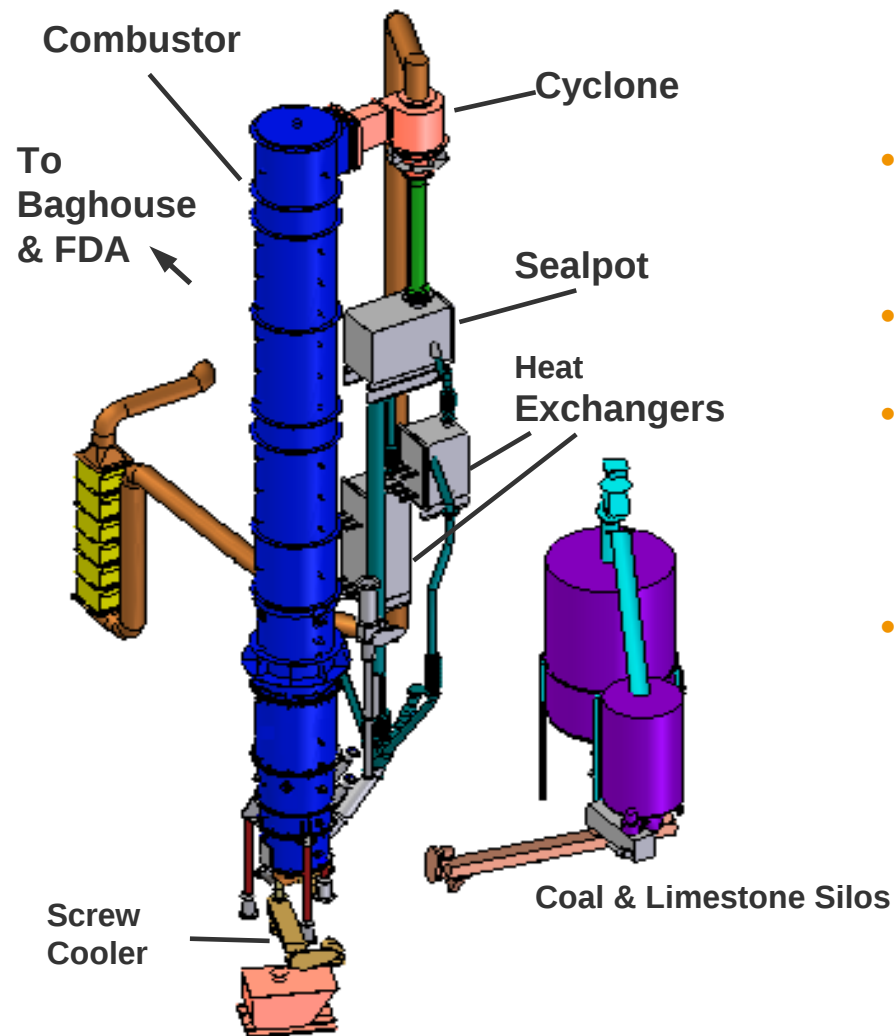


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Fluidized Bed



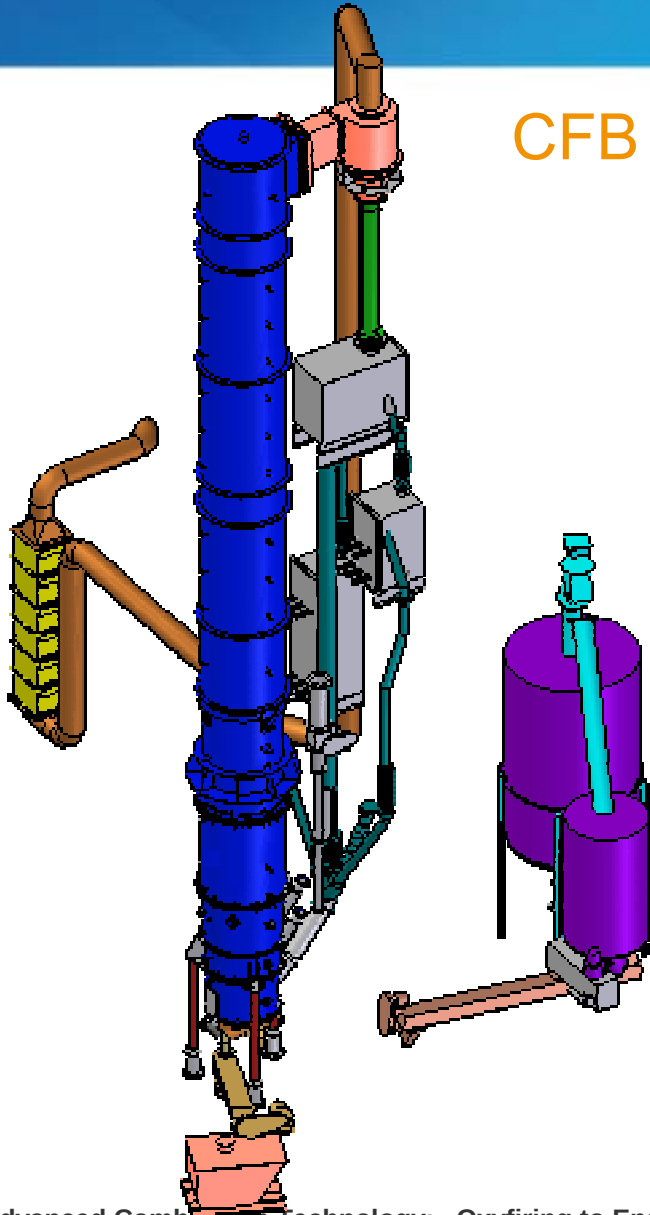
3 MWth Multiuse Test Facility



- MTF Located at Power Plant Labs Windsor, Connecticut
- 9.9 MM-Btu/hr (2.9 MW_{th})
- Furnace:
 - 60 feet (18 m) tall
 - 40 inch (1 m) I.D.
- 42 Test Campaigns since 1998

3 MWth Multiuse Test Facility

CFB Modified for Oxygen firing in 2004 & 2005



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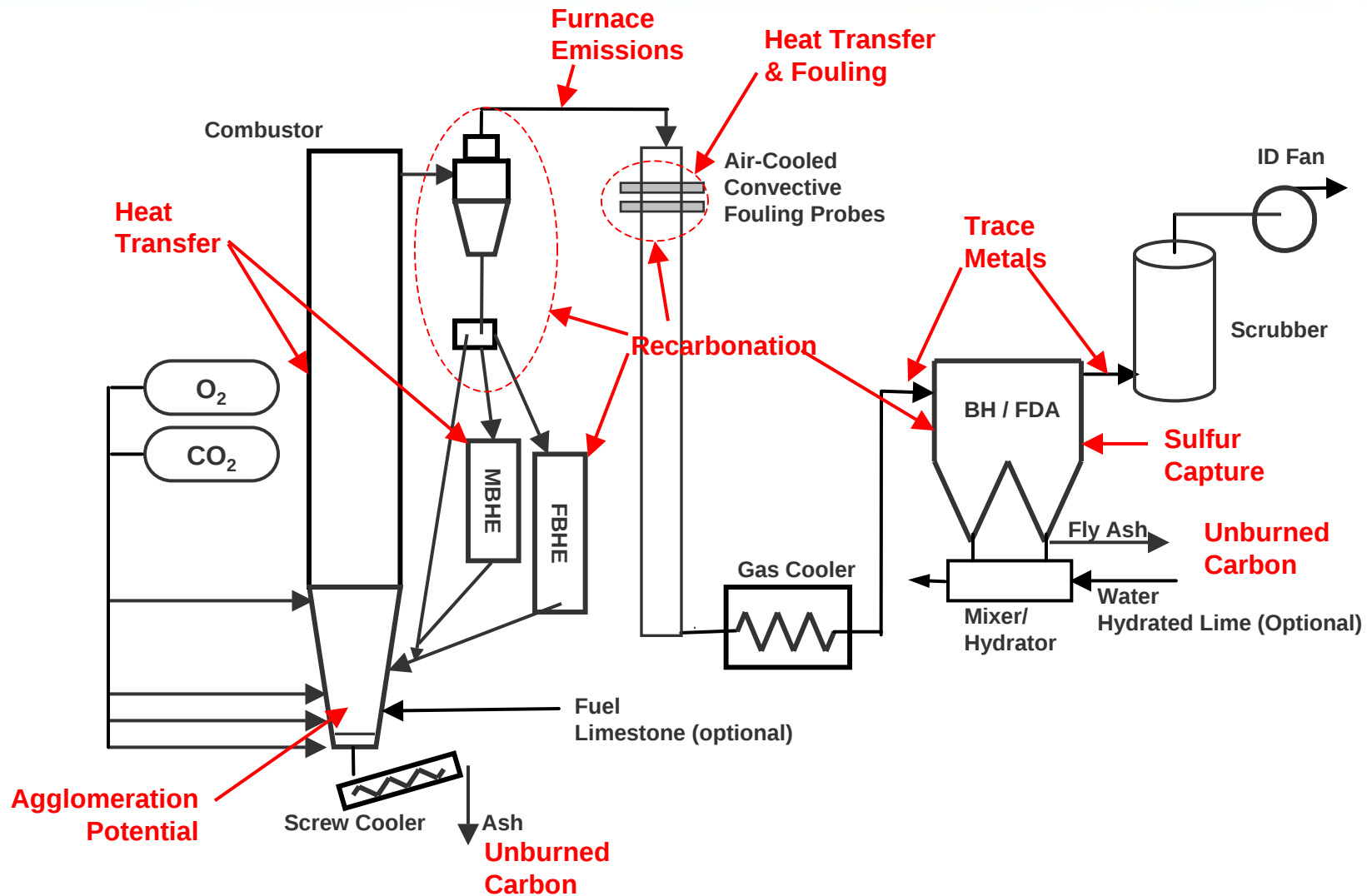
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Summary of Concept Validation/Testing – DOE Greenhouse Gas Program

<u>Year</u>	<u>April 2004</u>	<u>June 2004</u>	<u>June 2005</u>
<u>Fuel</u>	Medium Volatile Bituminous Coal	Medium Volatile Bituminous Coal and Petcoke	Medium Volatile Bituminous Coal and Petcoke
<u>Sorbent</u>	Limestone	Aragonite	Limestone
<u>Firing Rate</u>	2.2 - 4.8 MM-Btu/hr (0.64 – 1.41 MW _{th})	4.2 - 7.9 MM-Btu/hr (1.23 – 2.32 MW _{th})	9.9 MM-Btu/hr (2.9 MW _{th})
<u>Combustion Medium</u>	Air and 20 - 30% O ₂	40 - 50% O ₂ CO ₂ Balance	Air and 30% O ₂

Two fuels and three sorbents evaluated in air and O₂/CO₂ mixtures of up to 70% O₂ (by vol.)

Issues Addressed



Test Results: no show stoppers

- Heat transfer as expected
- No bed agglomeration
- Emissions (SO_x, NO_x, CO HC and trace monitored)
- NO_x lower
- CO somewhat higher

.... Next Steps

- Future
 - **Oxyfiring**
 - ALSTOM plans to demo PC/CFB technologies
 - Vattenfall a 200 MWe PC by 2015
 - ALSTOM scaling CFB technology for demo
 - **Post combustion technologies**
 - Ammonia scrubbing
- Conclusion
 - **Oxy-firing is a relatively near term and cost competitive approach built on current technology**



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