

Journey of CO₂ Utilization (CCUS) and Development from lab to commercial scale goal to Net zero CO₂ emission

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We are committed to conduct business in line with Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) with
Strategic ESG Directions

Innovation Roadmap on CCUS

2020

- Ideation
- Proof of concept in Lab scale

2023

- Technology development in lab scale

2025

- Technology development Pilot/Demonstration plant

2027

- Project Implementation

2030

- Demonstration or Commercialization

20% CO₂ Reduction

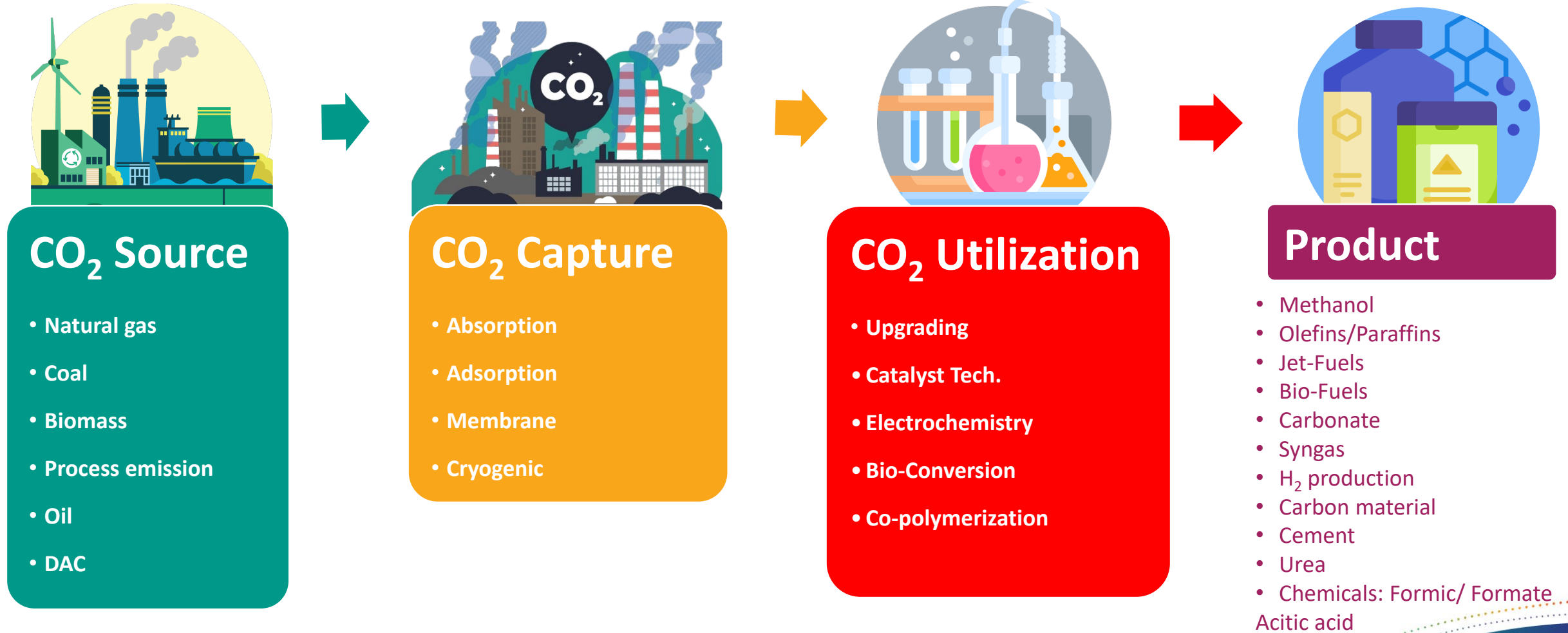
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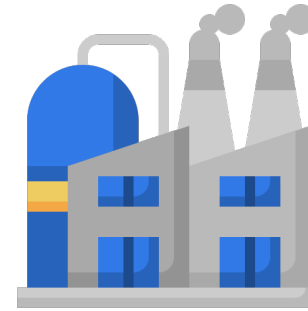
Partnership



Technology Landscape



Limitations for CCUS Development



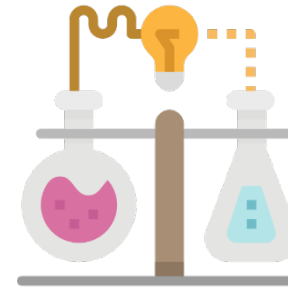
Commercialization

- Technology Implementation
- Technology Demonstration
- Technology owner



- Investment
- Technology selection

CO₂ Capture



CO₂ Utilization

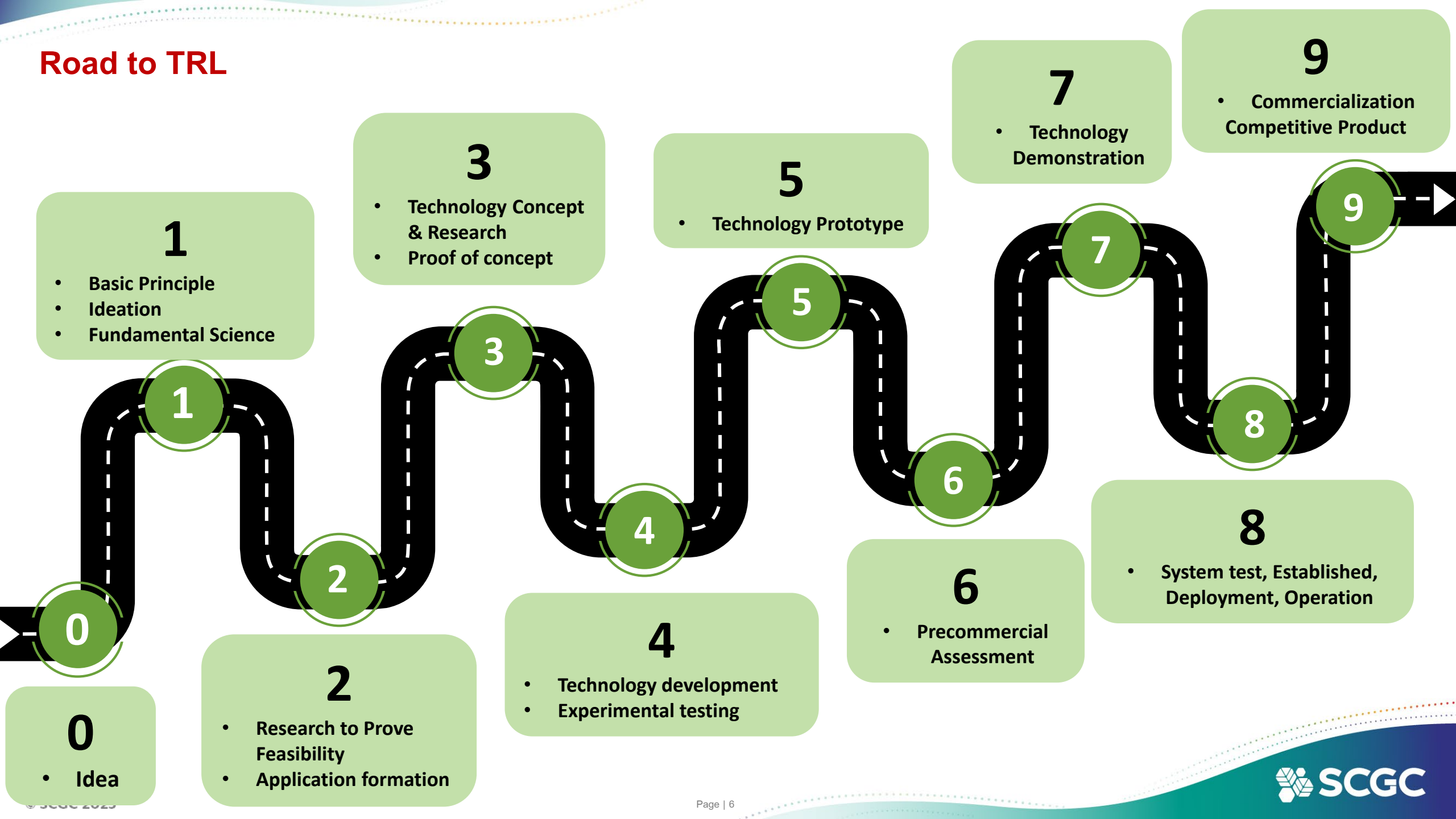
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CO₂ Emission



- Large Amount of flue gas
- Low % CO₂ concentration

Road to TRL



Road to TRL 1-3 : Catalyst Development



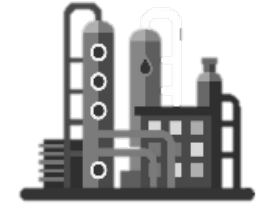
Catalyst




Process Design





Pilot Unit




Commercialization

1 
Pathway Reaction Study

2 
Catalytic synthesis

3 
Design of experiment

4 
Catalytic performance testing

5 
Characterization & Analyze


Methanol Synthesis
 $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $\Delta H_{298\text{ K}} = -49.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

Fischer Thropsch Synthesis
 $n\text{CO}_2 + 3n\text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n} + 2n\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2 \rightleftharpoons \text{CO} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $n\text{CO} + 2n\text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_n\text{H}_{2n} + n\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Formulation
 Synthesis
 Pelletization
 Pretreatment

 Minitab 19

Operating conditions

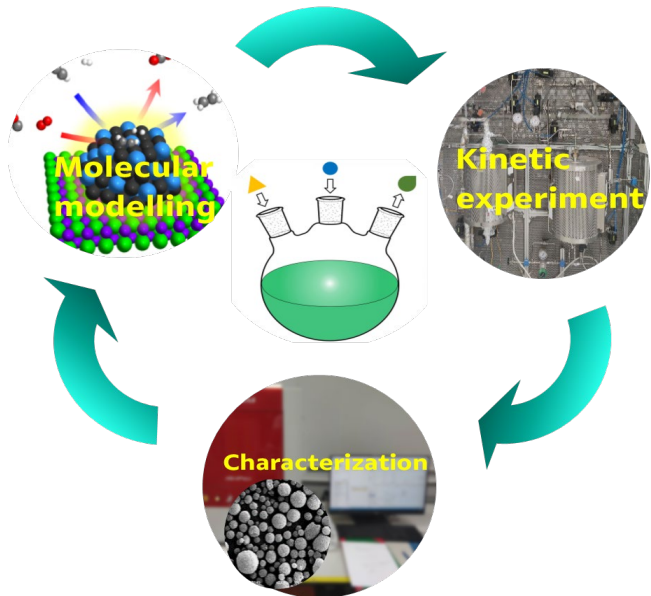
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Reactor set up
 Analysis set up

Fundamental study
 Mechanism analysis

Road to TRL 1-3 on Catalyst Development

Catalyst Design

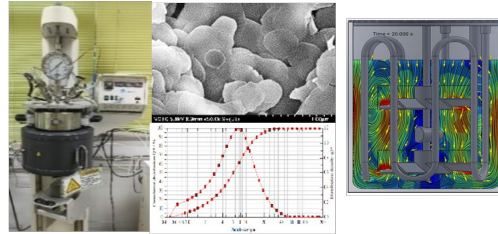


Key concepts

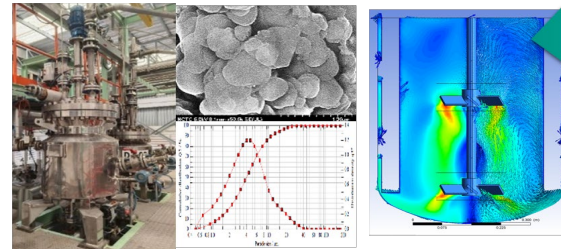
- ✓ Formulation
- ✓ Characterization
- ✓ Performance
- ✓ Regeneration

Catalyst Powder Scale up

Bench scale



Pilot scale

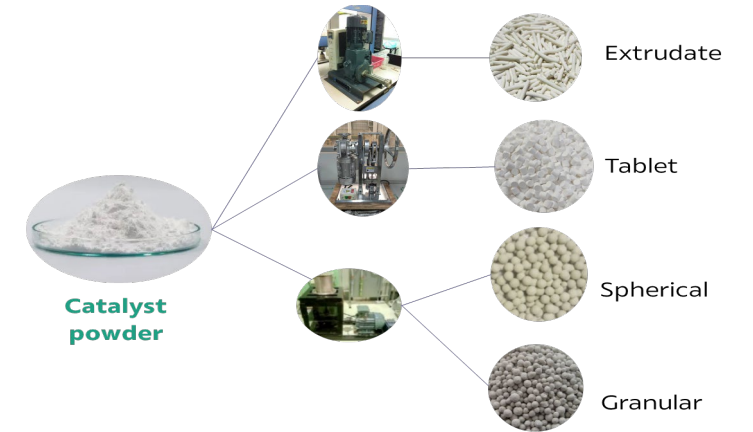


Key concepts

- ✓ Raw material
- ✓ Scale ability
- ✓ Repeatability
- ✓ Specification
- ✓ Catalyst cost
- ✓ Production cost

1 Prototype related to catalyst cost

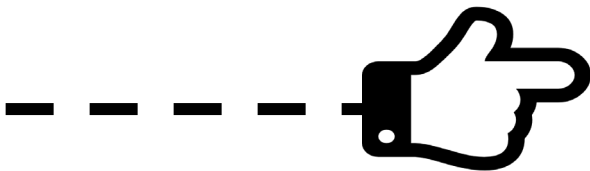
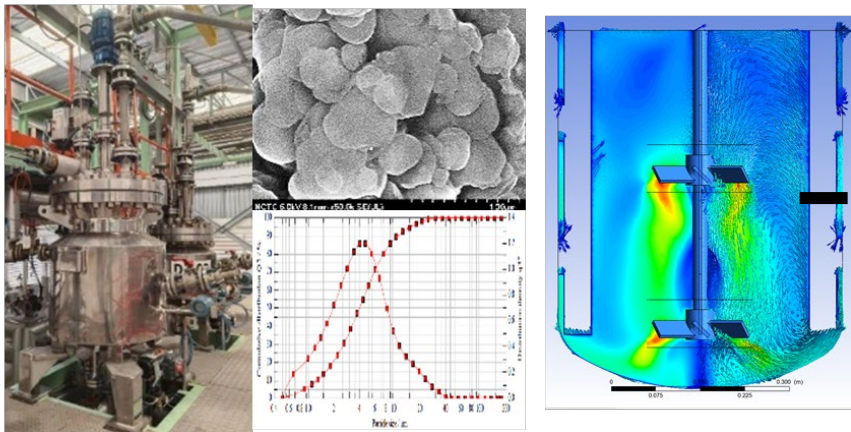
Catalyst Pelletization



Key concepts

- ✓ Shape
- ✓ Crush strength
- ✓ Physical and chemical properties
- ✓ Performance
- ✓ Reactor design (d/d_L)

Pilot scale



Commercialization



- Materials are common to preparing
- No special equipment or technique
- Raw material available in ton scale
- No toxic material
- Water treatment



Impact to

Equipment + Economic + Environment



Road to TRL 1-3 : Process Design



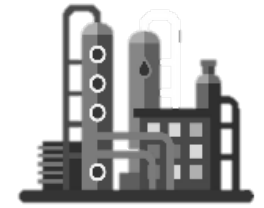
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Process Design

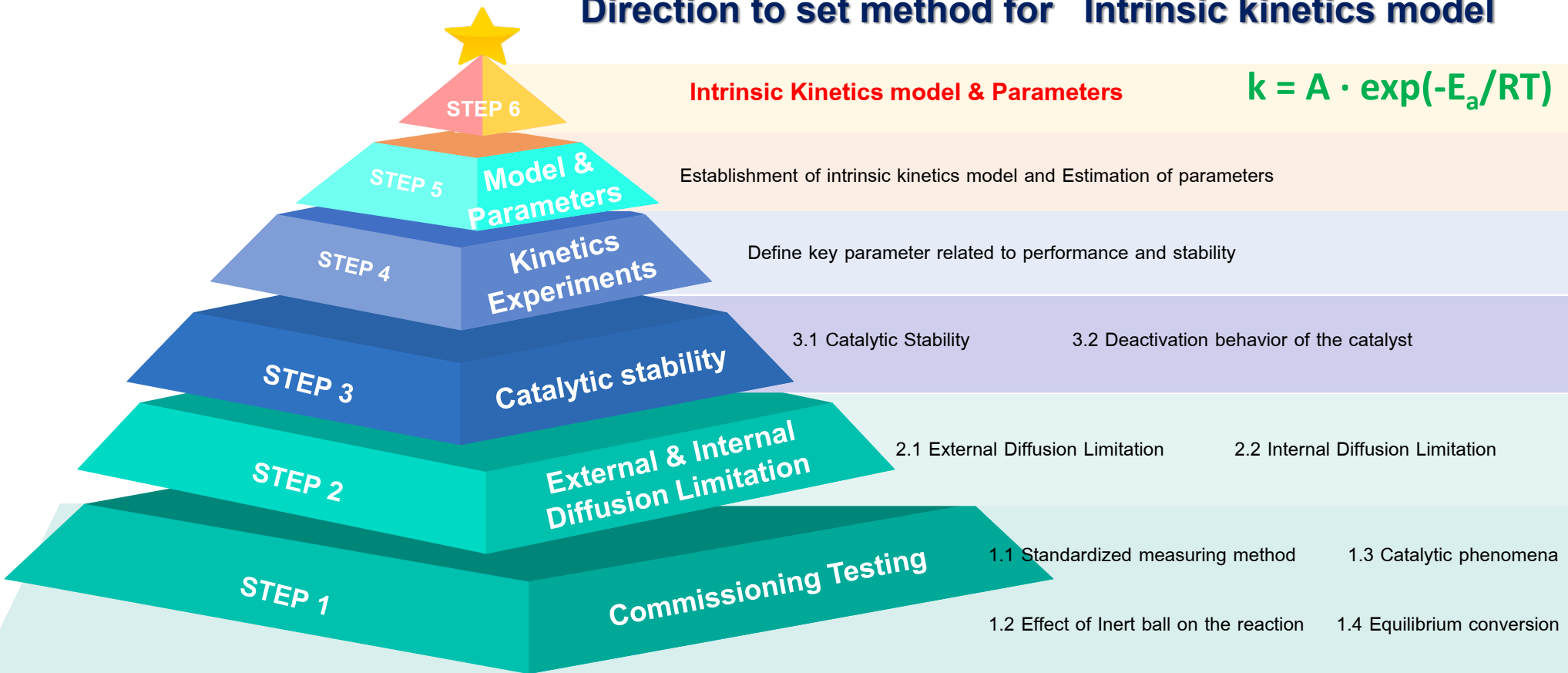


Pilot Unit



Commercialization

Direction to set method for Intrinsic kinetics model



Importance Of Kinetic Model

with

Reliably
reaction mechanism



Prototype of
process design



Optimal
process conditions



Feasibility
of technology



What if *lacking kinetic model* ???

- **Incomplete** reaction pathways
- **Inefficient** process design
- **Limit potential** for process optimization
- **Low accuracy** & **insufficient** experimental data
- **Risk of failure** in feasibility study



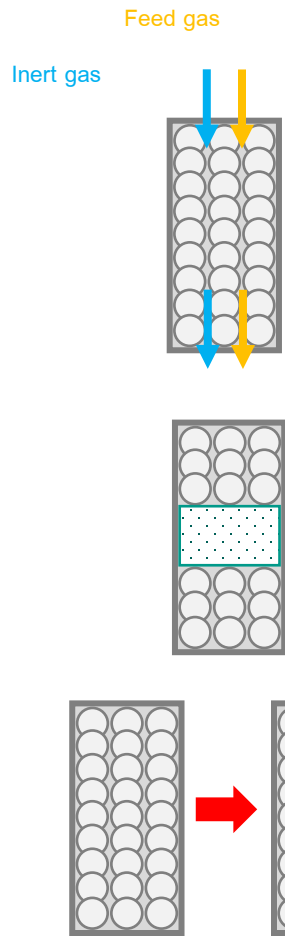
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Road to TRL 1-3



Catalyst



Process Design

Diffusion Prediction :

- 1 Intra-reactor
- 2 External
- 3 Internal

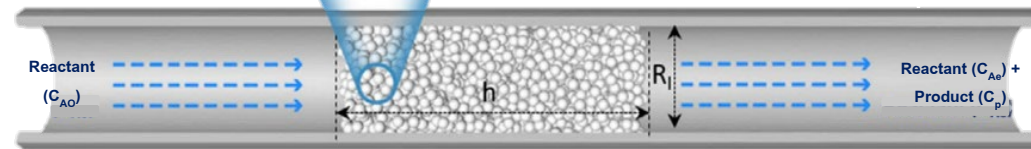
- 2 External Diffusion

Adsorption/desorption and reaction

Avoiding

$$\frac{R_1}{R} > 10, \quad \frac{h}{R} > 50$$

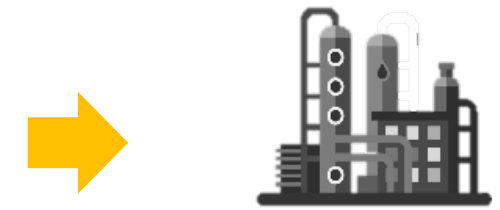
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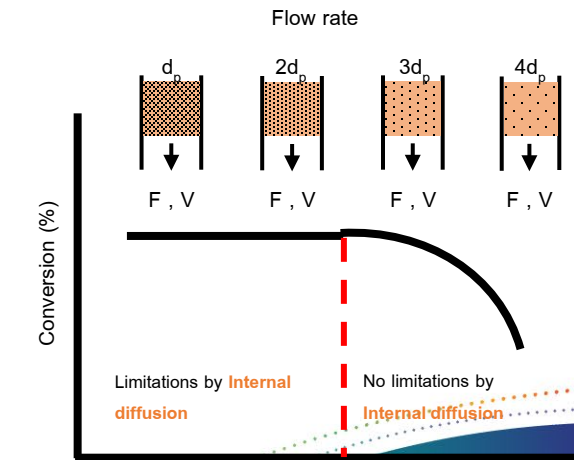
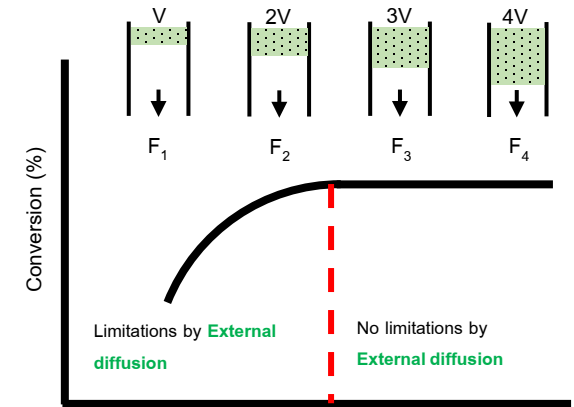
Approximately 75% to 80% of all heterogeneous reaction mechanisms are **Surface reaction** limited.



Pilot Unit

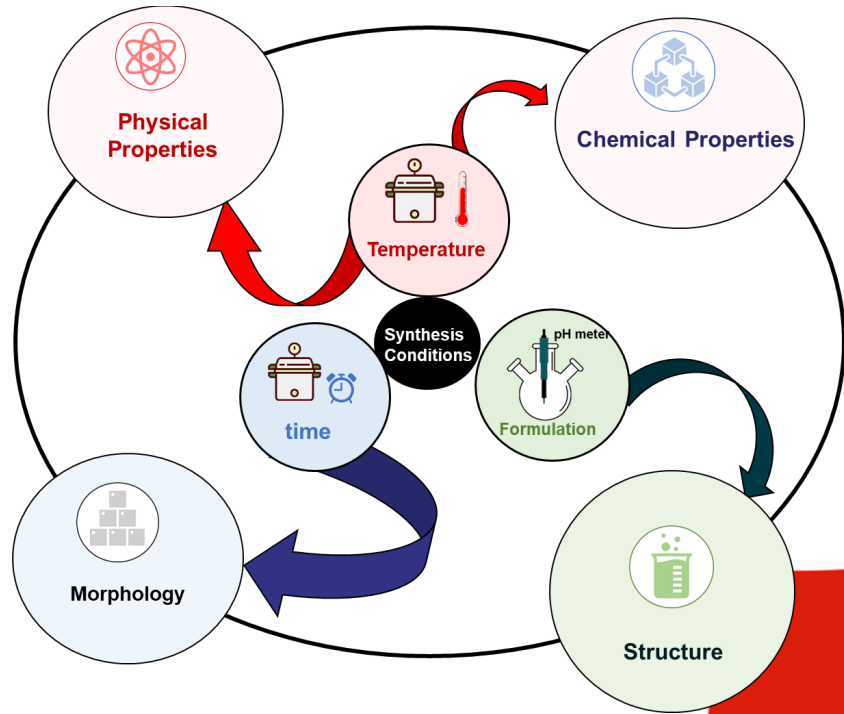


Commercialization

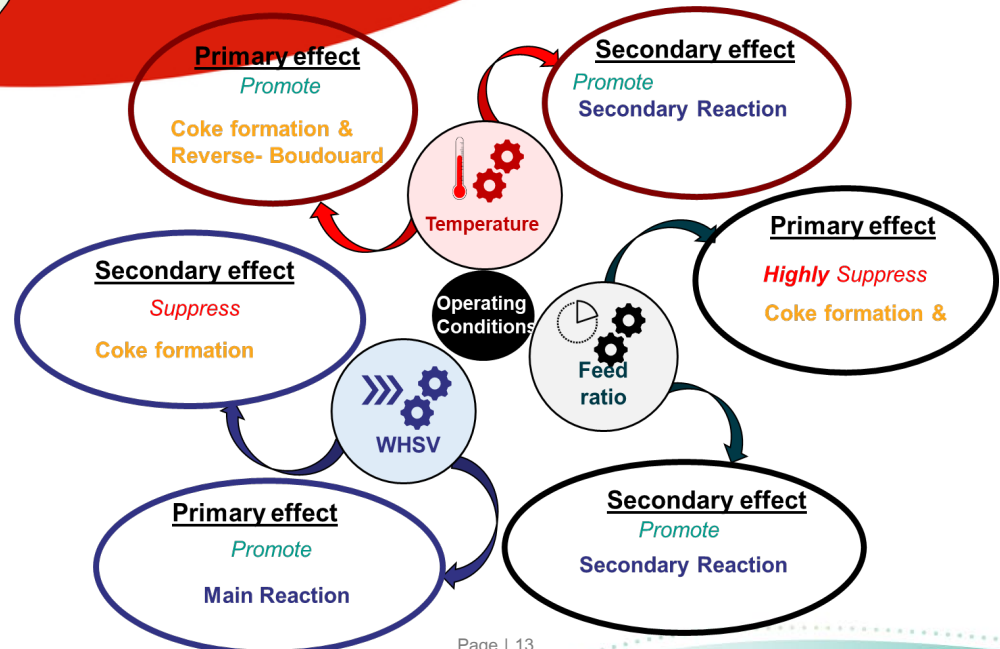
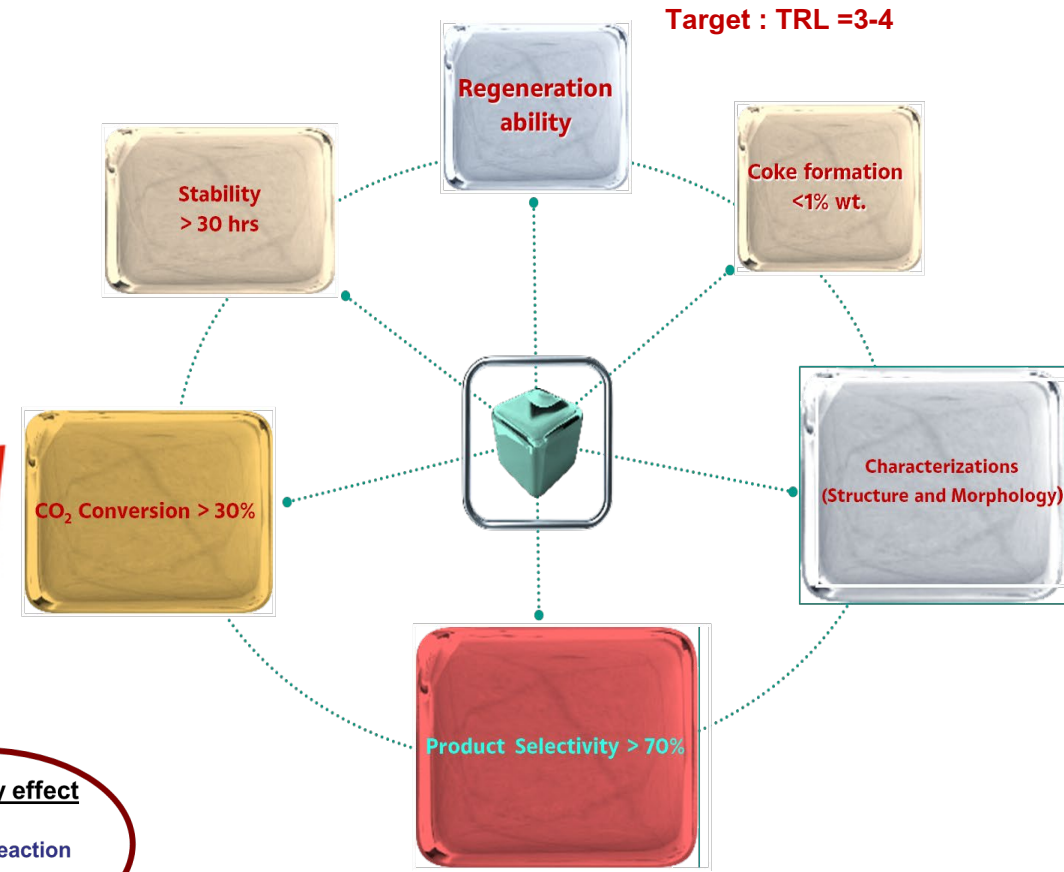
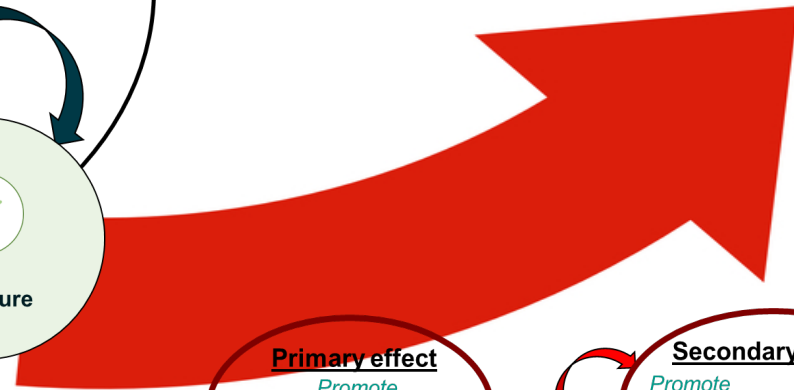


Catalyst particle diameter

Road to TRL 1-3



Conceptual Development



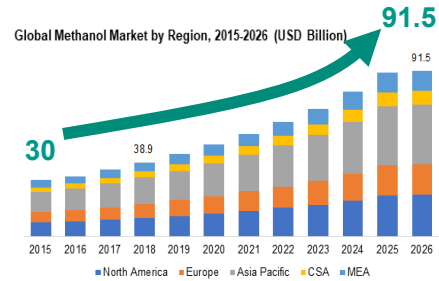


Project Show Case: CO₂ to Methanol

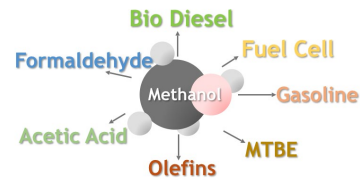
Innovation towards Carbon Neutrality



Market size



Applications



Challenges

- Low CO₂ conversion
- Impurities in feed:
CH₄, H₂O, H₂S, NO_x, etc.
- High investment
- Purification and specification
- Low activity

CO₂ Conversion

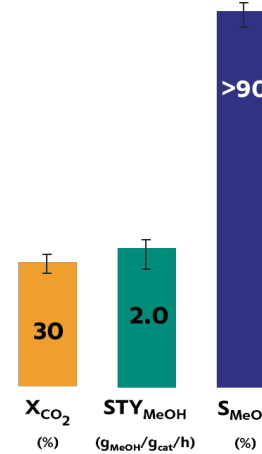
more than 30 %

Methanol Selectivity

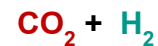
more than 90 %

STY Methanol

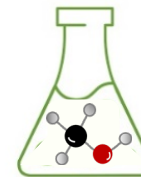
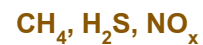
up to 2 g_{MeOH} g_{cat}⁻¹ h⁻¹



On-going development



Performance development



CO₂-derived methanol
in Lab-scale

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Future Aspect

Need to do on
Start up project



Project Show Case: CO₂ to Olefins

Innovation towards *Carbon Neutrality*

Improvement Challenges:

- ✓ Low CO₂ conversion
- ✓ Low Hydrocarbon productivity



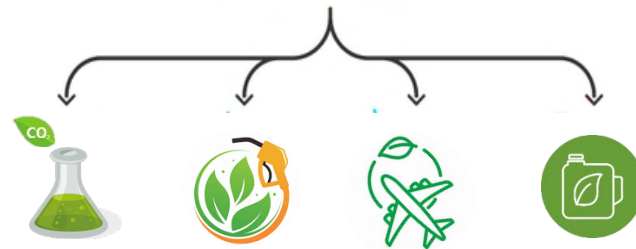
Emitted CO₂



SCGC's Technology



HVA products



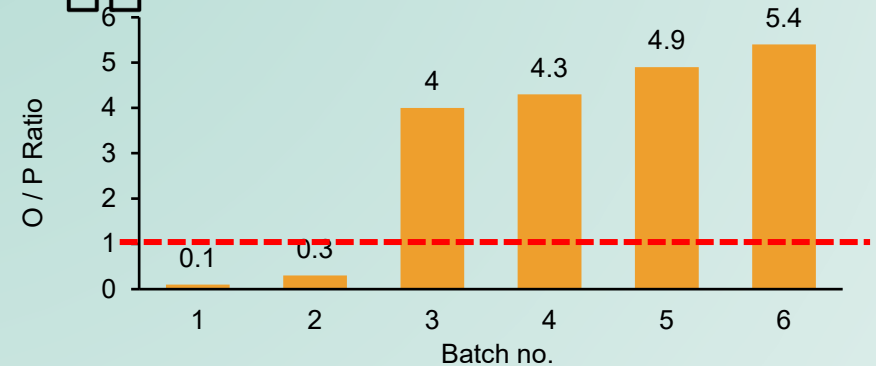
DECARBONIZABLE

Carbon conversion up to 63%



VALUABLE

Olefins, Chemicals, Fuels, Naphtha



SUSTAINABLE

Potentially provide carbon neutral



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Road to TRL >4 :



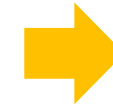
Catalyst



Process Design



Pilot Unit



Commercialization

Summary

Scale up



Pilot Unit by Increasing Reactor Size



Feasibility, Investment, Productivity

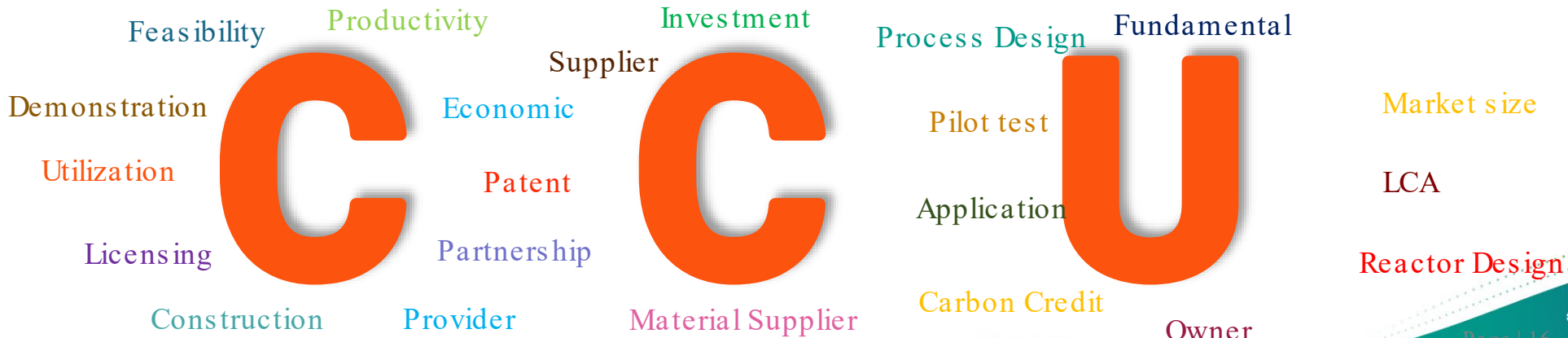
Scale up



Start up, Collaboration, Partnership in order to solve on investment and economic



Implementation and Commercialization





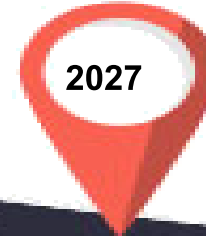
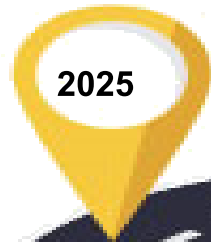
BCG-CO₂ Innovation Roadmap

Commercialization

Technology development Pilot/Demonstration plant

Project Implementation

Ideation
Proof of concept in Lab scale



PARTNERSHIP

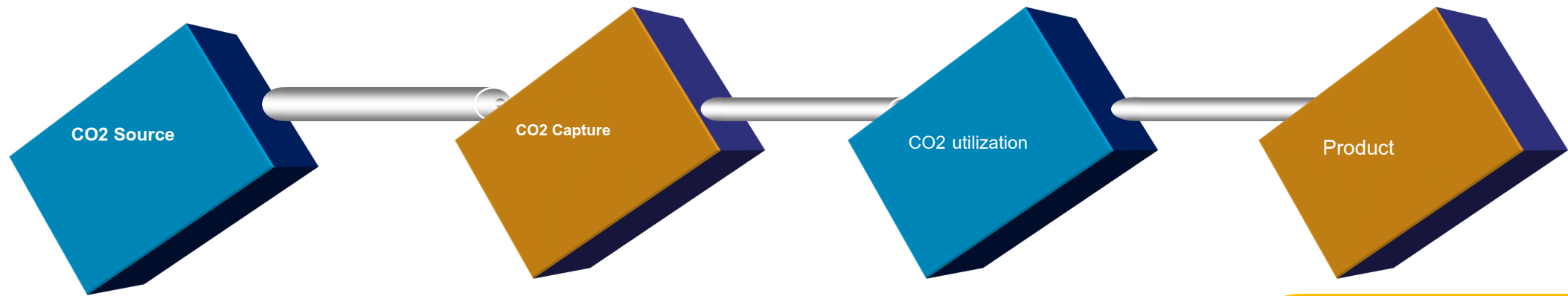
PARTNERSHIP



Technology development in lab scale



Technology Landscape



- Natural gas
- Coal
- Biomass
- Process emission
- Oil
- DAC

- Absorption
- Adsorption
- Membrane
- Cryogenic

- Upgrading
- Catalyst Tech.
- Electrochemistry
- Bio-Conversion
- Co-polymerization

- Methanol
- Olefins/Paraffins
- Jet-Fuels
- Bio-Fuels
- Carbonate
- Syngas
- H2 production
- Carbon material
- Cement
- Urea
- Chemicals: Formic/Formate
- Acetic acid



Obstacle

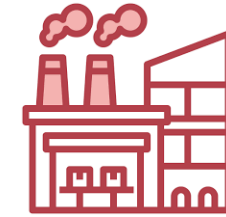
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- Technology owner
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- Feasibility/Economic
- Partnership

- Investment
- Technology selection

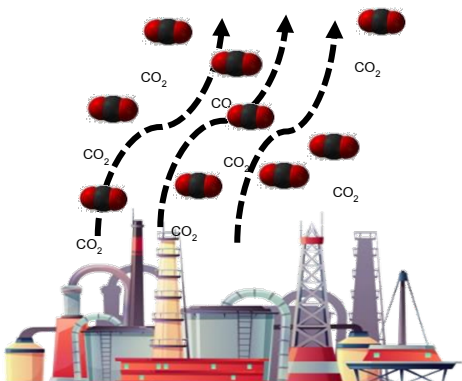


CO₂ Utilization



Commercialization

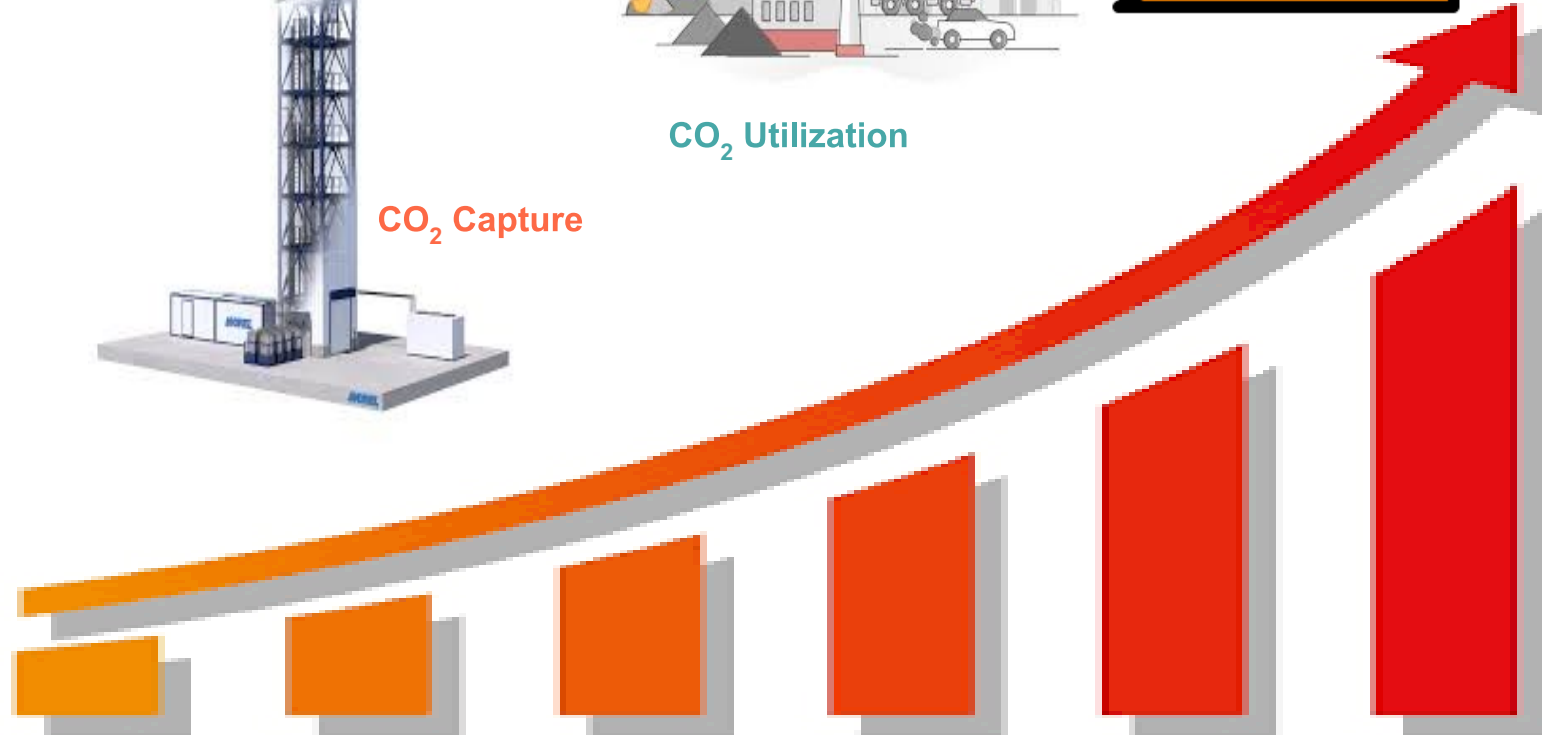
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CO₂ Emission



CO₂ Capture





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Idea

Road to TRL

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○ Technology Demonstration

8

○ System test, Established, Deployment, Operation

1

- Basic Principle
- Ideation
- Fundamental Science



5

○ Technology Prototype

6

○ Precommercial Assessment

4

- Technology development
- Experimental testing

9

○ Commercialization
○ Competitive Product



2

- Research to Prove Feasibility
- Application formation

3

- Technology Concept & Research
- Proof of concept