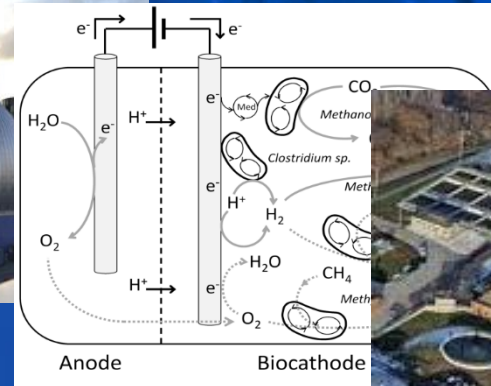
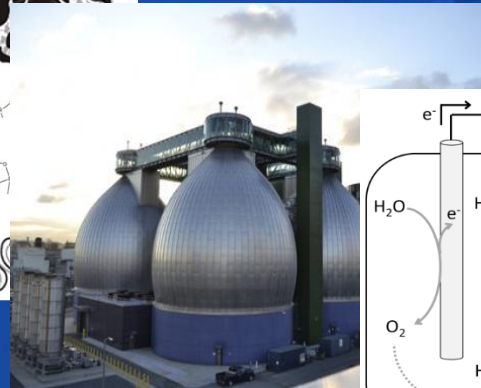
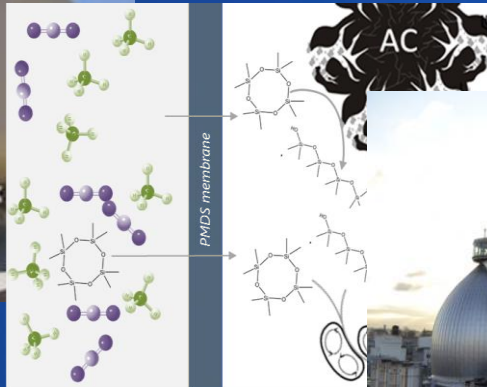


Innovative technologies for biogas upgrading: from basic research to technology assessment

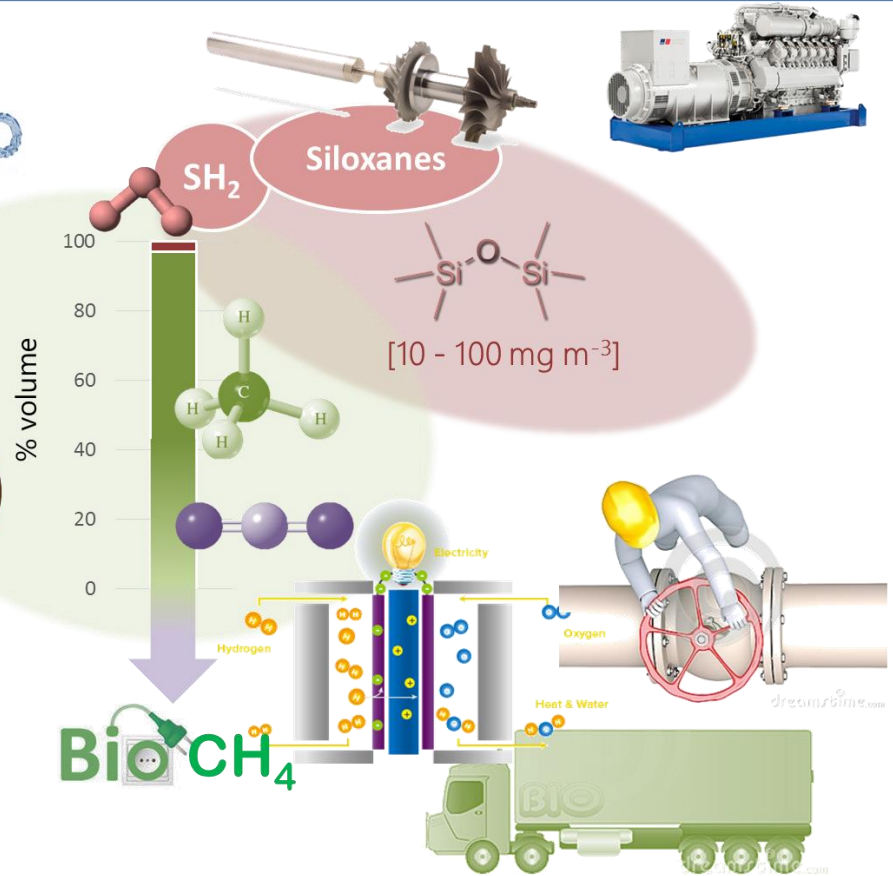
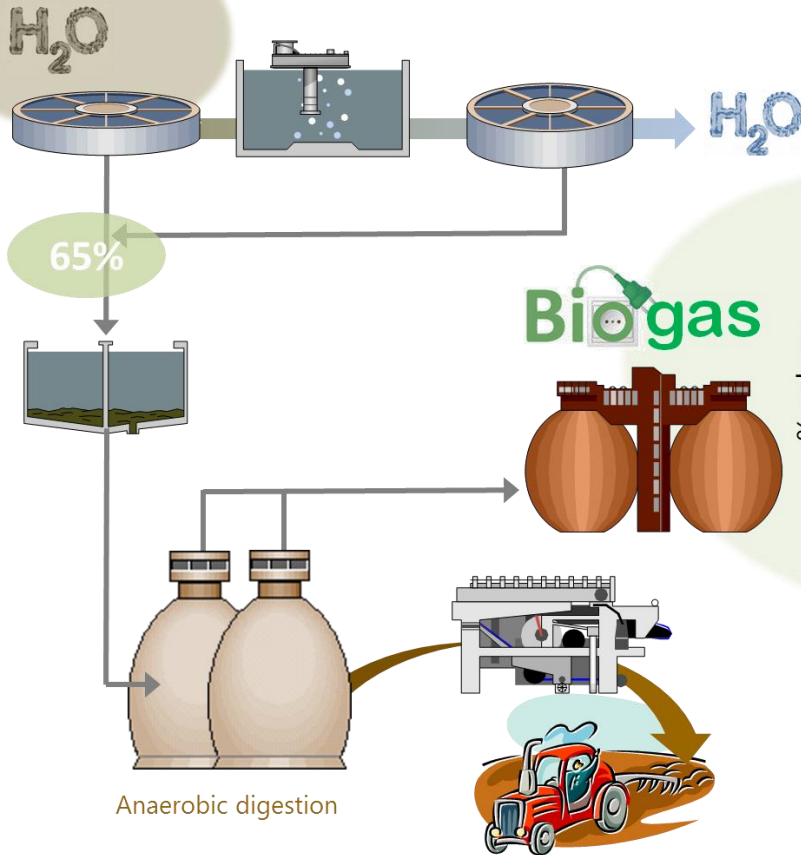


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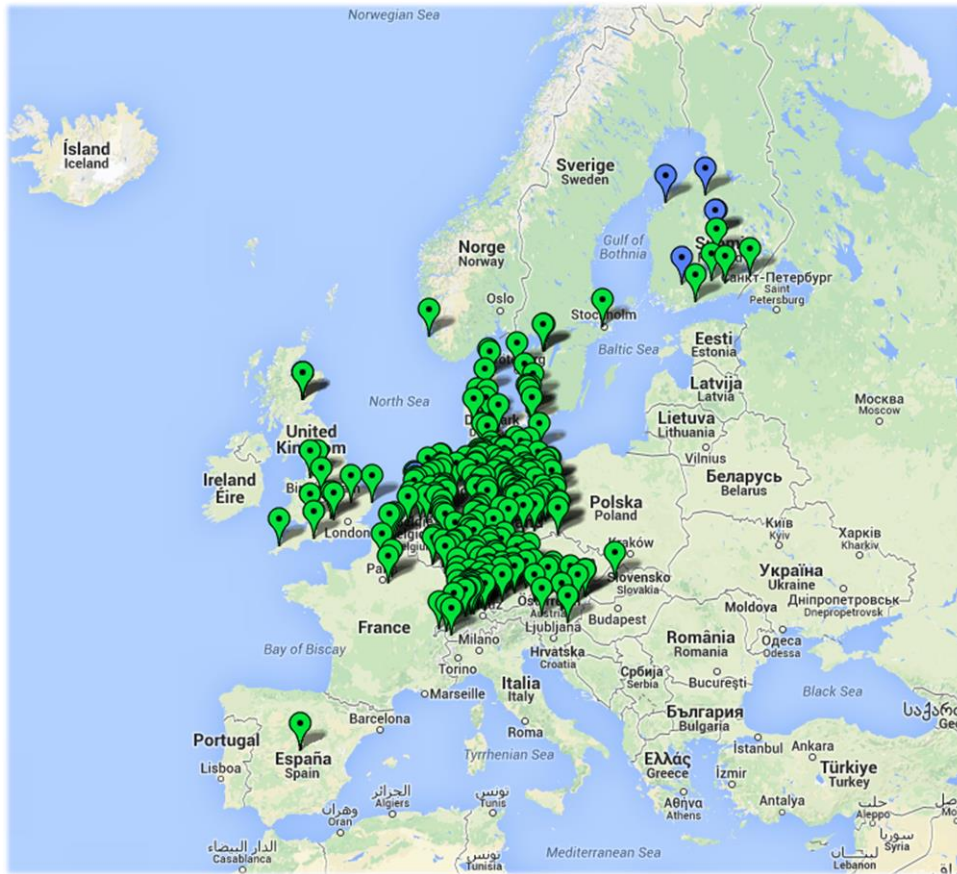
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Biogas upgrading?

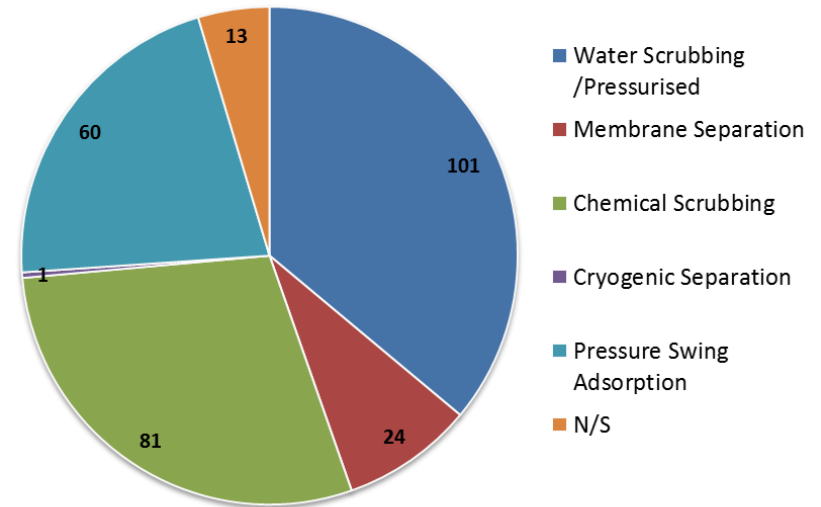
[Biogas upgrading]



What about biogas upgrading plants in Europe?

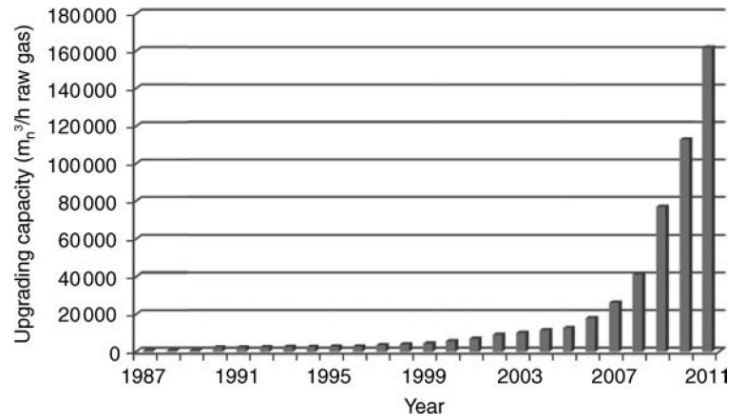


Upgrading and injection, Project map. Source: Platform biogas partner.
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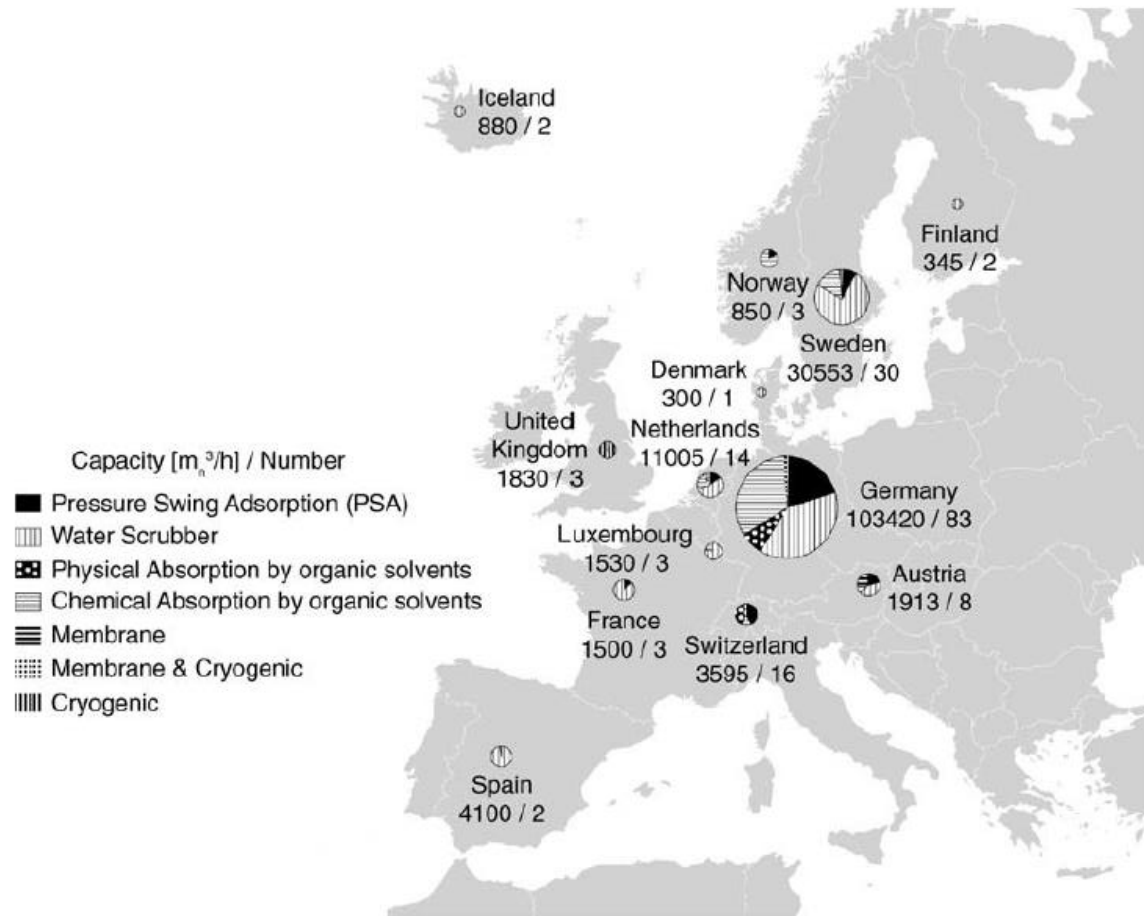


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What about biogas upgrading plants in Europe?



15.2 Upgrading capacity of European biogas upgrading plants in the period 1987–2011 related to raw biogas (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

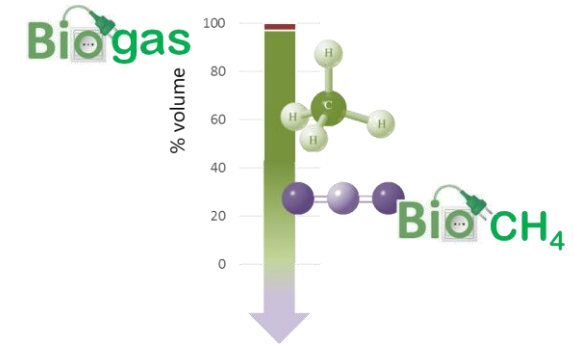


15.1 Overview of numbers of plants and raw biogas upgrading capacities in Europe as of December 2011 (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Biogas components

Tab. 2. Composition of biogas, landfill gas and natural gas.

| | Biogas | Landfill gas | Natural gas (Danish)* | Natural gas (Dutch) |
|--|--------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Methane (vol-%) | 60–70 | 35–65 | 89 | 81 |
| Other hydro carbons (vol-%) | 0 | 0 | 9.4 | 3,5 |
| Hydrogen (vol-%) | 0 | 0-3 | 0 | – |
| Carbon dioxide (vol-%) | 30–40 | 15–50 | 0.67 | 1 |
| Nitrogen (vol-%) | ~0.2 | 5–40 | 0.28 | 14 |
| Oxygen (vol-%) | 0 | 0-5 | 0 | 0 |
| Hydrogen sulphide (ppm) | 0–4000 | 0–100 | 2.9 | – |
| Ammonia (ppm) | ~100 | ~5 | 0 | – |
| Lower heating value (kWh/Nm ³) | 6.5 | 4.4 | 11.0 | 8.8 |



Biogas to biomethane: what to clean?

Water contents.

condensation (plus ammonia removal)
hygroscopic salts, glycol solutions, ...

Hydrogen sulphide (H₂S)

precipitation
Adsorption on A.C.
Chemical Absorption (NaOH)
Biological treatment

Siloxanes

Adsorption (A.C. or zeolites)

And **CO₂**! To increase methane contents.

Biogas to biomethane: requirements

Tab. 3. Selected standard requirements for grid injection or for utilization as vehicle fuel.

| Compound | Unit | France | | Germany | | Sweden | Switzerland | | Austria | The Netherlands |
|---|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | | L gas | H gas | L gas grid | H gas grid | | Lim. inject. | Unlim. Inject | | |
| Higher Wobbe index | MJ/Nm ³ | 42.48–46.8 | 48.24–56.52 | 37.8–46.8 | 46.1–56.5 | | | | 47.7–56.5 | 43.46–44.41 |
| Methane content | Vol-% | | | | | 95–99 | >50 | >96 | | >80 |
| Carbon dioxide | Vol-% | <2 | | <6 | | | <6 | | ≤2 ⁶ | |
| Oxygene | Vol-% | | | <3 | | | <0.5 | | ≤0.5 ⁶ | |
| | ppmV | <100 | | | | | | | | |
| | Mol% | | | | | | | | | <0.5 |
| Hydrogen | Vol-% | <6 | | ≤5 | | | <5 | | ≤4 ⁶ | <12 |
| CO ₂ +O ₂ +N ₂ | Vol-% | | | | | <5 | | | | |
| Water dew point | °C | <-5 ¹ | | <t ⁴ | | <t ⁵ -5 | | | <-8 ⁷ | -10 ⁸ |
| Relative humidity | ρ | | | | | | <60 % | | | |
| Sulphur | mg/Nm ³ | <100 ² <75 ³ | | <30 | | <23 | <30 | | ≤5 | <45 |

¹ At MOP (Maximal Operating Pressure) downstream from injection point

² Maximum permitted

³ Average content

⁴ Ground temperature

⁵ Ambient temperature

⁶ Mole percentage

⁷ At 40 bars

⁸ At 10 bars

Biogas components solubility for water as solvent

Compilation of Henry's law constants (version 4.0) for water as solvent

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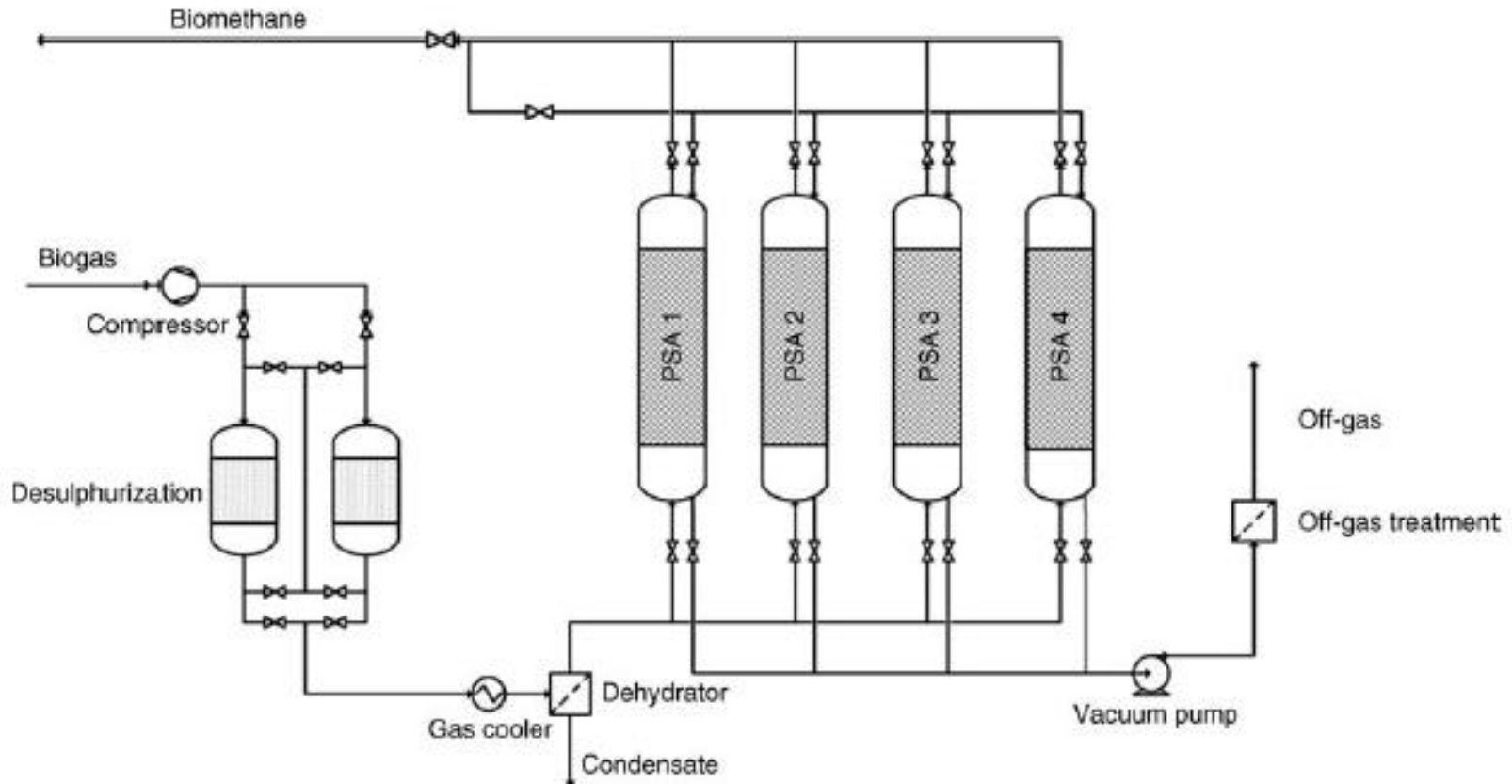
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| Substance Formula (Other name(s)) [CAS registry number] | H^{cp} (at T^\ominus) [$\frac{\text{mol}}{\text{m}^3 \text{ Pa}}$] | $\frac{d \ln H^{cp}}{d(1/T)}$ [K] | Reference |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| methane CH ₄ [74-82-8] | 1.4×10^{-5} 1.4×10^{-5} 1.4×10^{-5} | 1900 1600 1600 | Warneck and Williams (2012) Sander et al. (2011) Sander et al. (2006) |
| carbon dioxide CO ₂ [124-38-9] | 3.3×10^{-4} 3.3×10^{-4} 3.3×10^{-4} | 2400 2400 2300 | Sander et al. (2011) Sander et al. (2006) Fernández-Prini et al. (2003) |
| hydrogen sulfide H₂S [7783-06-4] | 1.0×10^{-3} 1.0×10^{-3} 1.0×10^{-3} | 2100 2100 2000 | Sander et al. (2011) Sander et al. (2006) Fernández-Prini et al. (2003) |

| Substance Formula (Other name(s)) [CAS registry number] | H^{cp} (at T^\ominus) [$\frac{\text{mol}}{\text{m}^3 \text{ Pa}}$] | $\frac{d \ln H^{cp}}{d(1/T)}$ [K] | Reference |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| hexamethylcyclotrisiloxane C ₆ H ₁₈ O ₃ Si ₃ (D3) [541-05-9] | 5.6×10^{-6} | | Mazzoni et al. (1997) |
| octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane C ₈ H ₂₄ O ₄ Si ₄ (D4) [556-67-2] | 7.3×10^{-7} 8.3×10^{-7} 1.7×10^{-5} 1.7×10^{-5} | | Xu and Kropscott (2014) Xu and Kropscott (2012) Kochetkov et al. (2001) Kochetkov et al. (2001) |
| | 1.2×10^{-4} 1.5×10^{-6} 1.6×10^{-6} 8.3×10^{-7} | | Hamelink et al. (1996) Xu and Kropscott (2014) Kochetkov et al. (2001) Mazzoni et al. (1997) |
| decamethylcyclopentasiloxane C ₁₀ H ₃₀ O ₅ Si ₅ (D5) [541-02-6] | 2.8×10^{-7} 3.0×10^{-7} 3.4×10^{-5} 3.1×10^{-5} 7.4×10^{-5} | | Xu and Kropscott (2014) Xu and Kropscott (2012) Kochetkov et al. (2001) Kochetkov et al. (2001) David et al. (2000) |
| | 2.3×10^{-6} 2.2×10^{-6} 1.5×10^{-6} | | Xu and Kropscott (2014) Kochetkov et al. (2001) Mazzoni et al. (1997) |
| dodecamethylcyclohexasiloxane C ₁₂ H ₃₆ O ₆ Si ₆ (D6) [540-97-6] | 4.0×10^{-7} 6.8×10^{-5} 1.5×10^{-4} 3.9×10^{-6} | | Xu and Kropscott (2012) Kochetkov et al. (2001) Kochetkov et al. (2001) Kochetkov et al. (2001) |

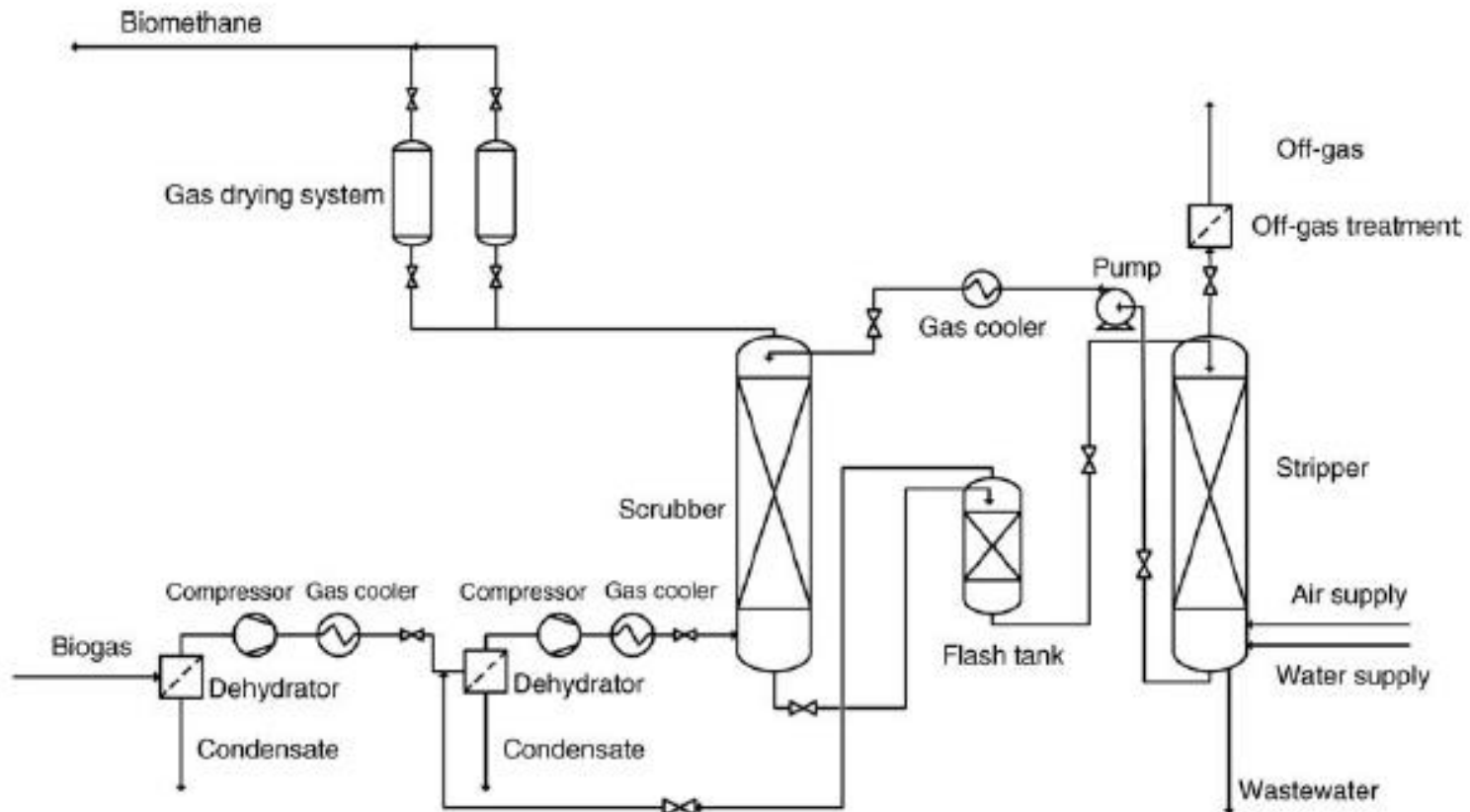


PSA: pressure swing adsorption.



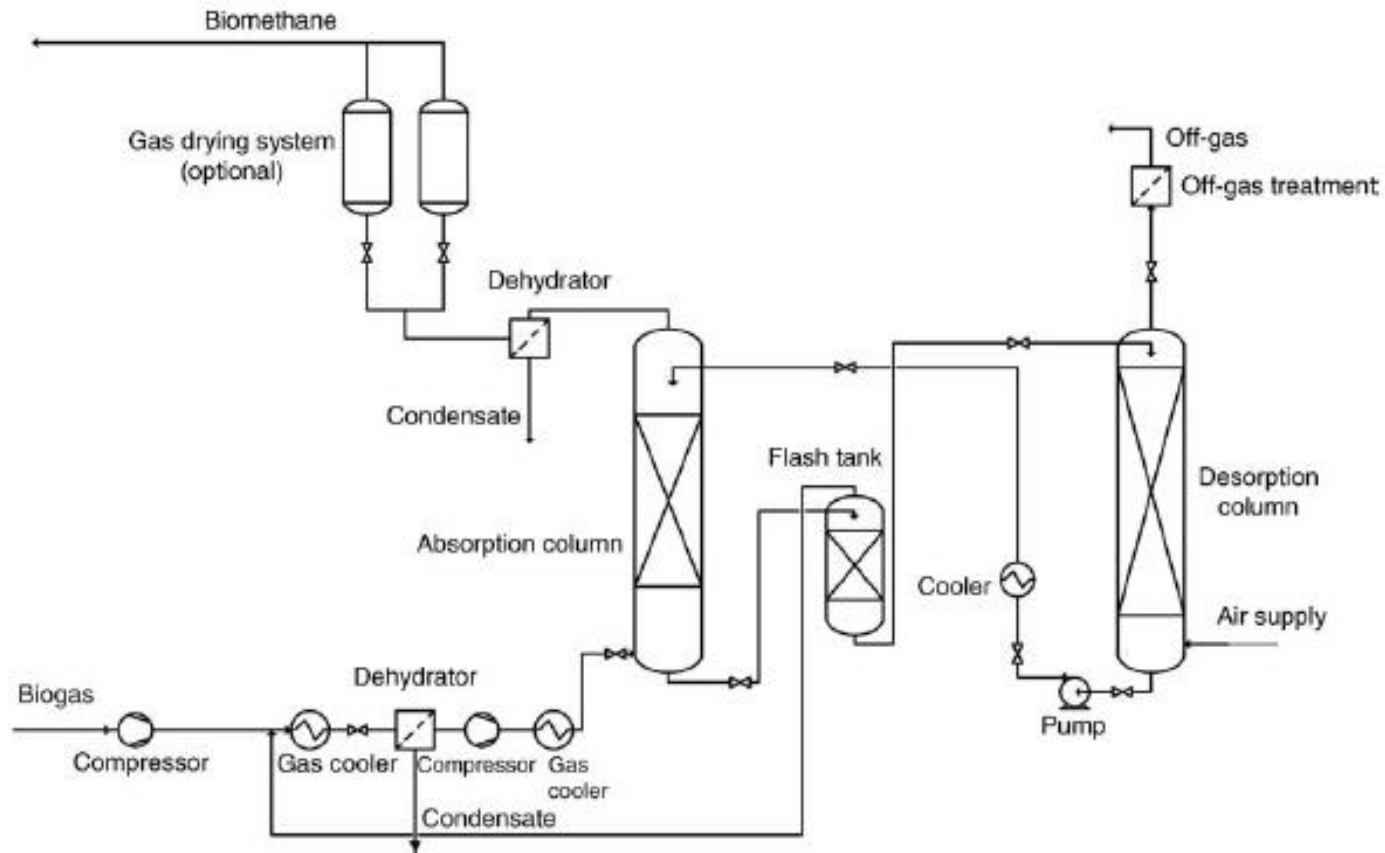
15.4 Process scheme of the pressure swing adsorption process (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Water scrubbing



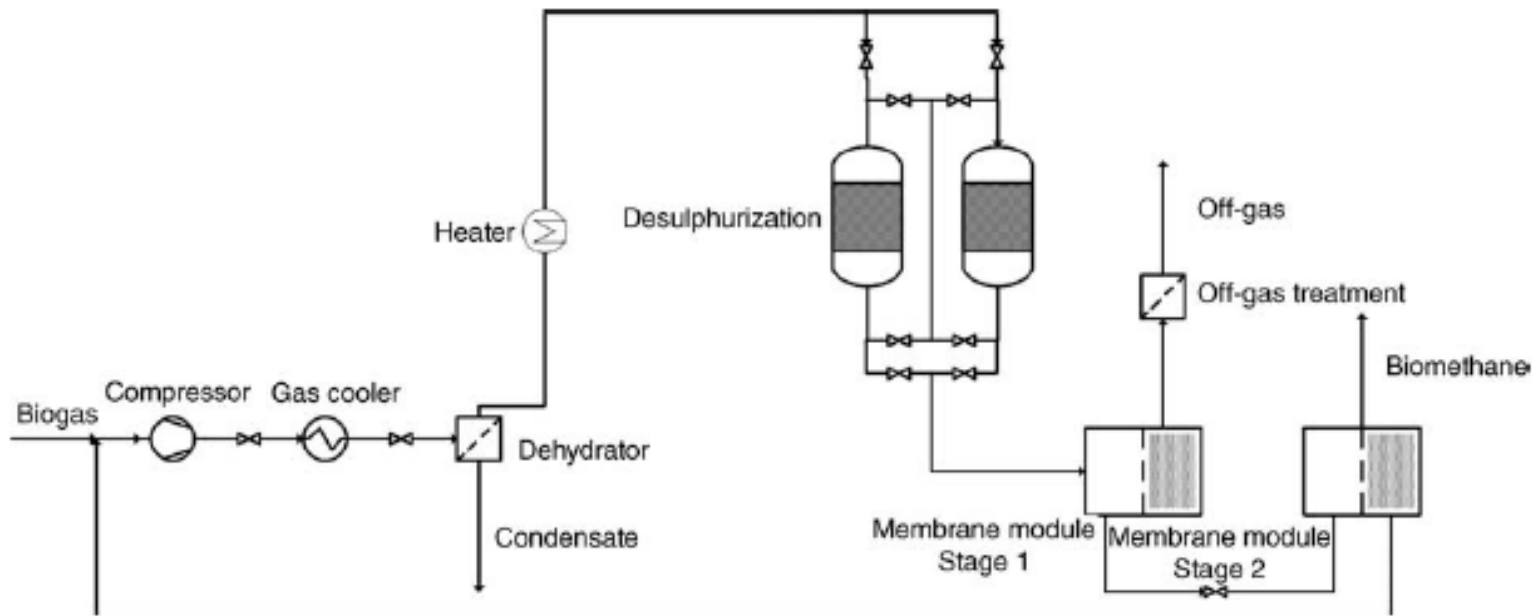
15.6 Process scheme of water scrubber process (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Physical Absorption



15.8 Process scheme of physical absorption (using organic solvents) (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Membrane separation.



15.12 Process scheme of a two-stage membrane separation system for biogas upgrading (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

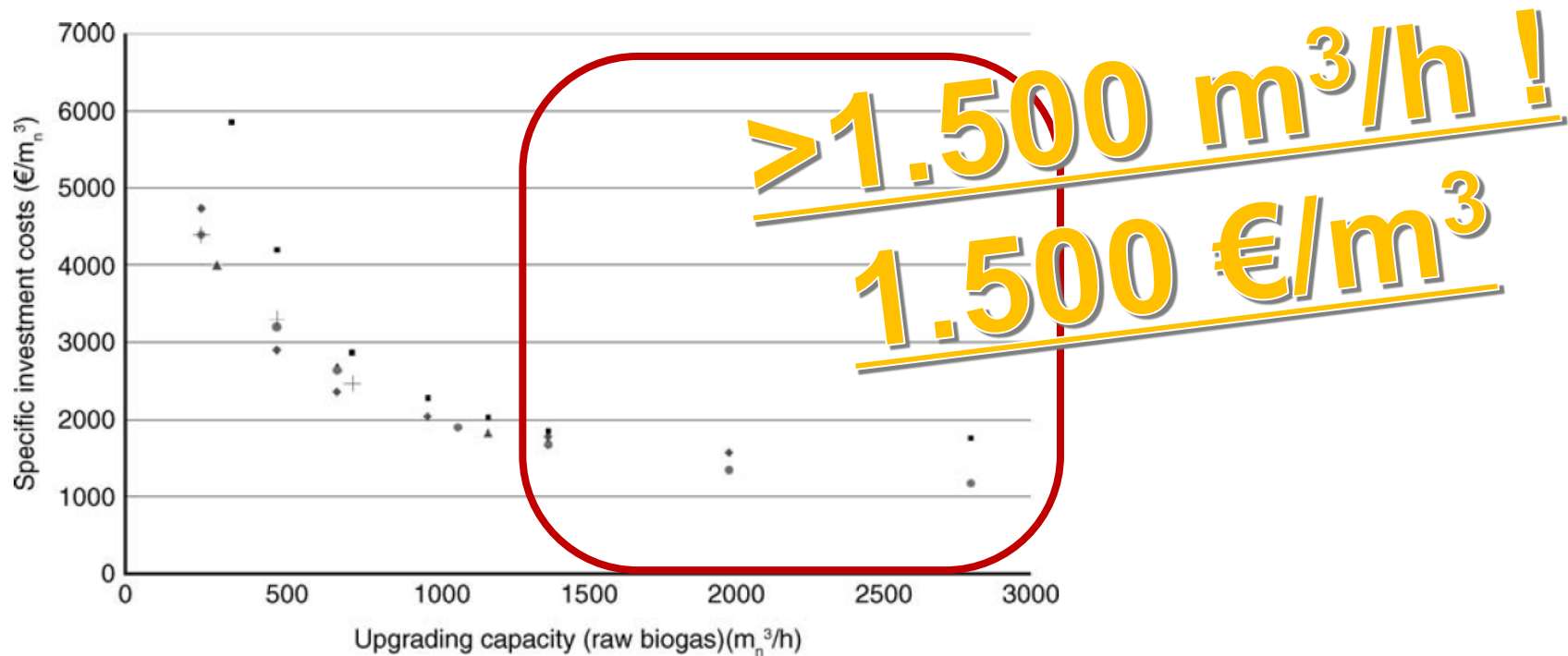
Biogas upgrading technologies. Key parameters

Table 15.1 Overview of key parameters of biogas upgrading technologies (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012)

| | PSA | Water Scrubber | Physical absorption (organic solvents) | Chemical absorption (organic solvents) | Membrane (high pressure, dry) | Cryogenic | Sources |
|---|-----------|----------------|--|--|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Electricity demand (kWh/m _n ³ BG) | 0.16–0.35 | 0.20–0.30 | 0.23–0.33 | 0.06–0.17 | 0.18–0.35 | 0.18–0.25 | [9–15, 18, 19, 23] |
| Heat demand (kWh/m _n ³ BG) | 0 | 0 | 0.10–0.15 | 0.4–0.8 | 0 | 0 | [14,17,19] |
| Temperature process heat (in the column) (°C) | — | — | 40–80 | 106–160 | — | — | [11, 12, 20] |
| Operation pressure (bar) | 1–10 | 4–10 | 4–8 | 0.05–4 | 7–20 | 10–25 | [7,10–13, 21, 22, 25] |
| Methane loss (%) | 1.5–10 | 0.5–2 | 1–4 | ~0.1 | 1–15 | 0.1–2.0 | [11–13, 16, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26] |
| Methane recovery rate (%) | 90–98.5 | 98–99.5 | 96–99 | ~99.9 | 85–99 | 98–99.9 | [11–13, 16, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26] |
| Off-gas treatment recommended (methane loss > 1%) | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | |
| Precision desulphurization required | Yes | No | No | Yes (Depending on manufacturer) | Recommended | Yes | |
| Water demand | No | Yes | No | Yes | No | No | |
| Demand on chemical substances | No | No | Yes | Yes | No | No | |

Treatment cost? CAPEX vs. OPEX

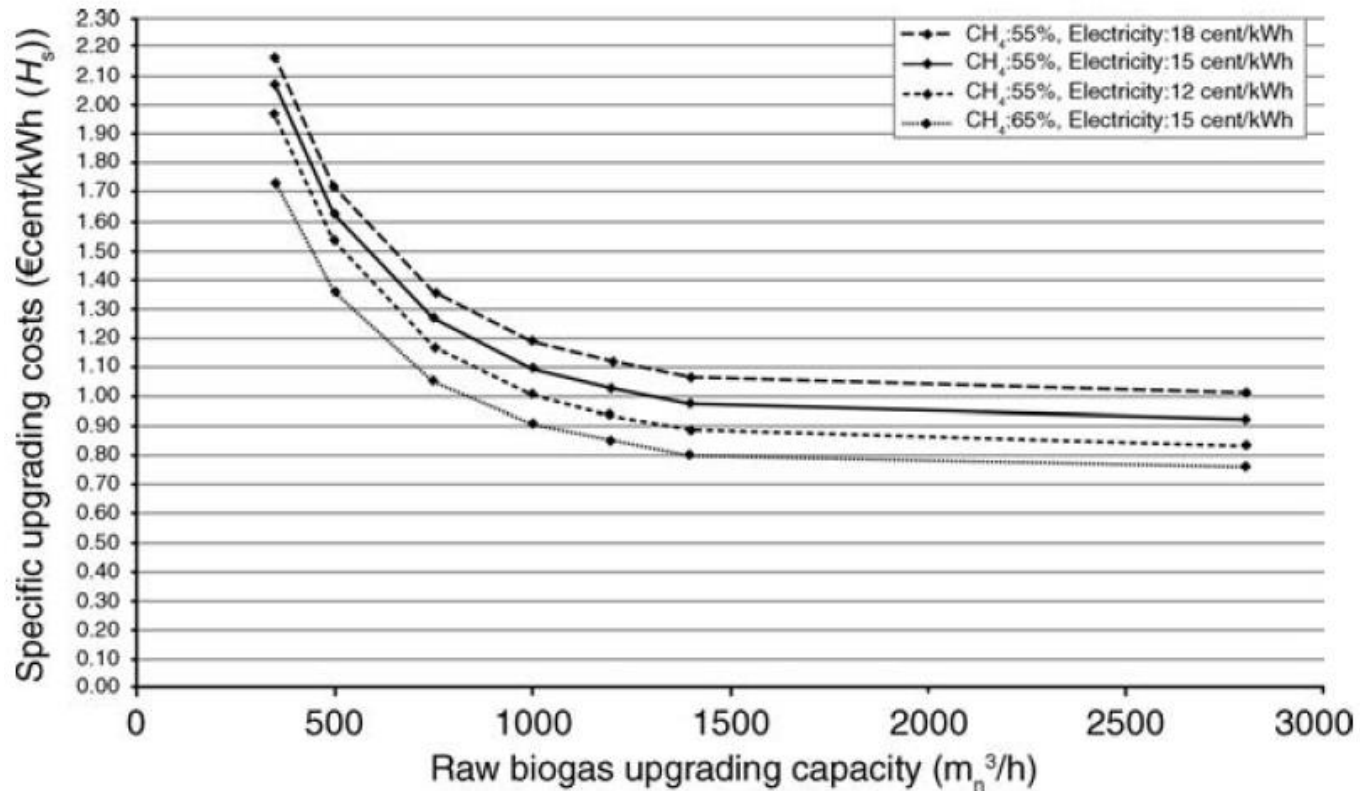
Capex comparison:



▪ PSA ▲ Water scrubber • Genosorb® scrubber + Amine scrubber + Membrane

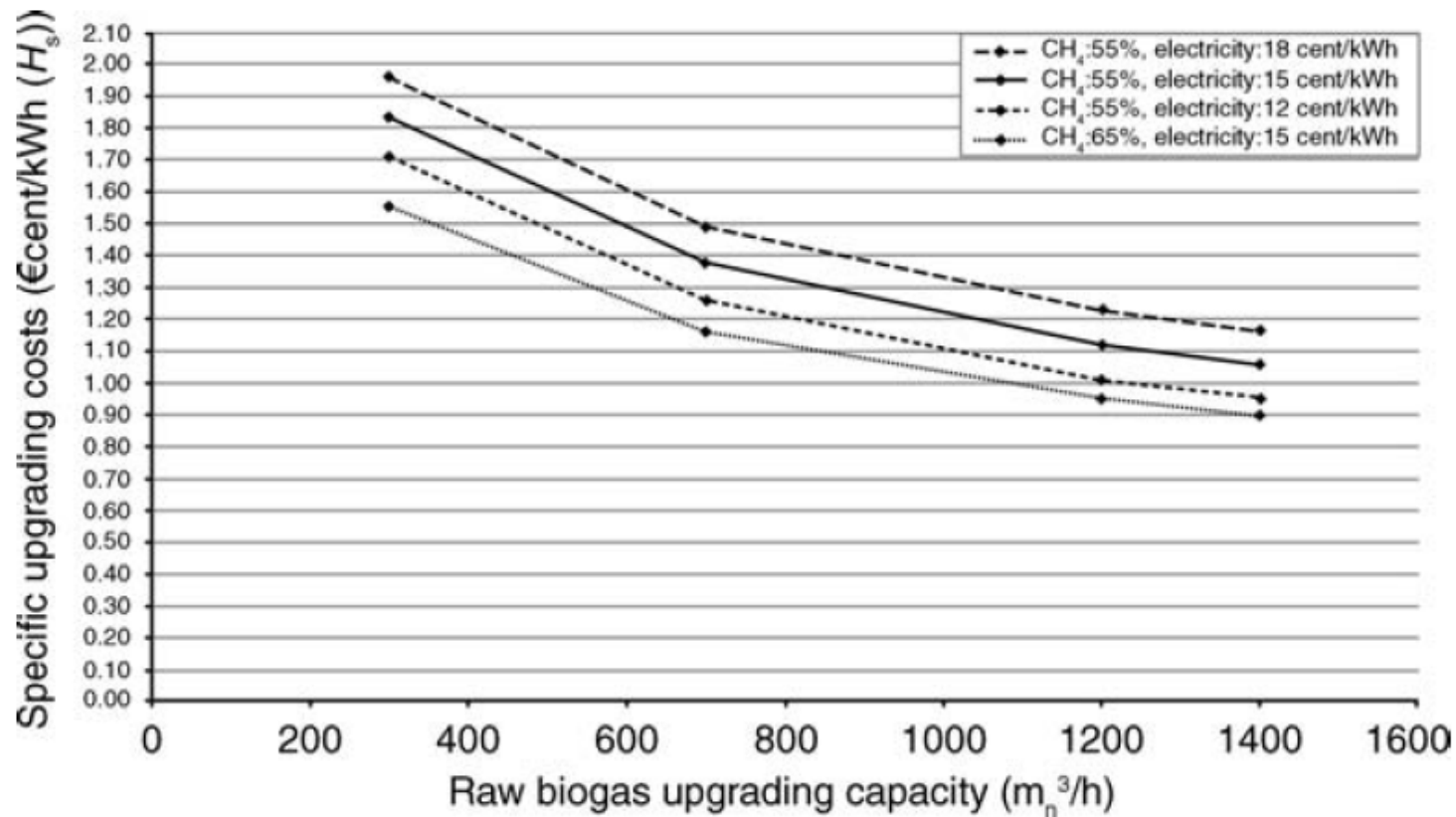
15.16 Specific investment costs in € per m_n³ raw gas upgrading capacity of five biogas upgrading methods based on [14–17, 45] (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Treatment costs: PSA



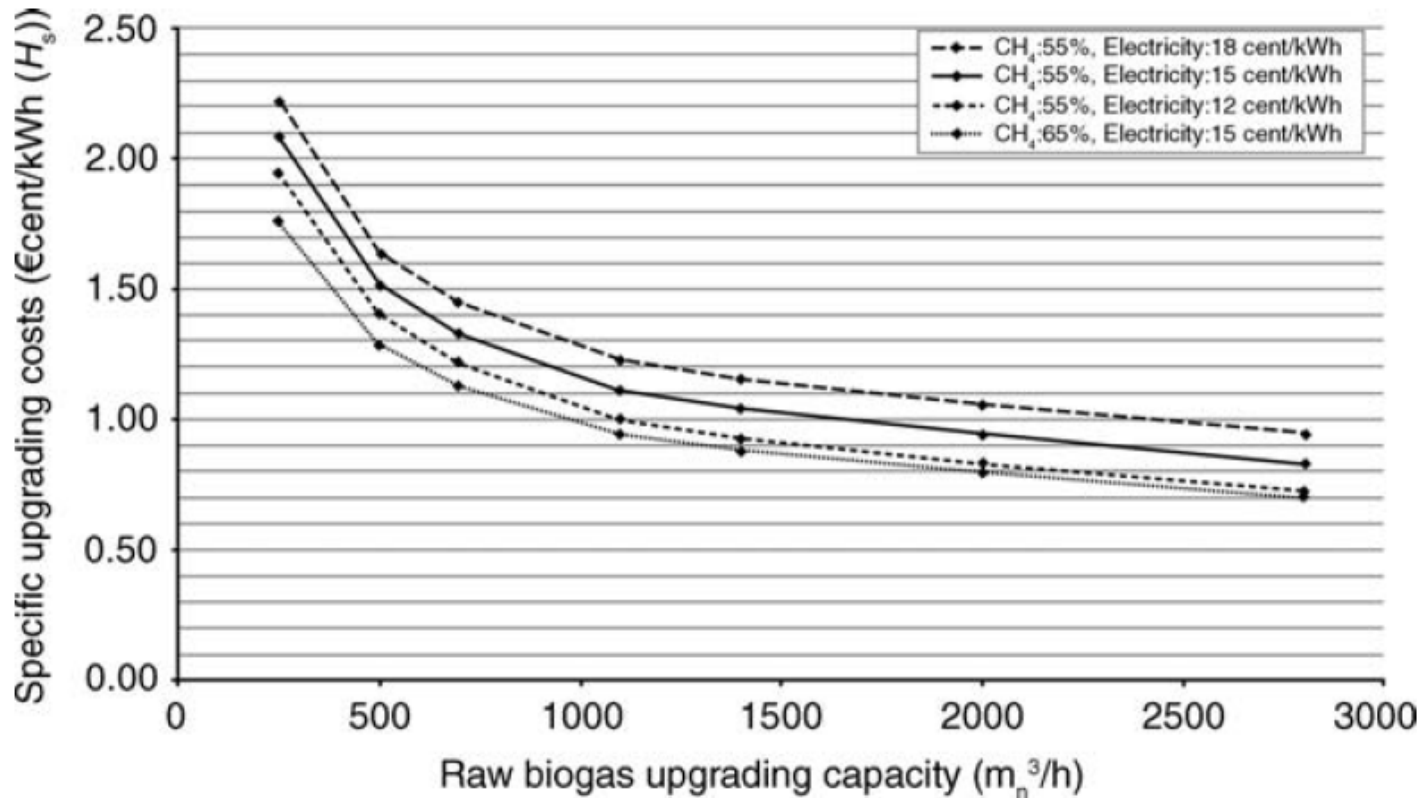
15.17 Specific biogas upgrading costs for PSA based on price indications and warranty values according to [16] (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Treatment costs: water scrubber



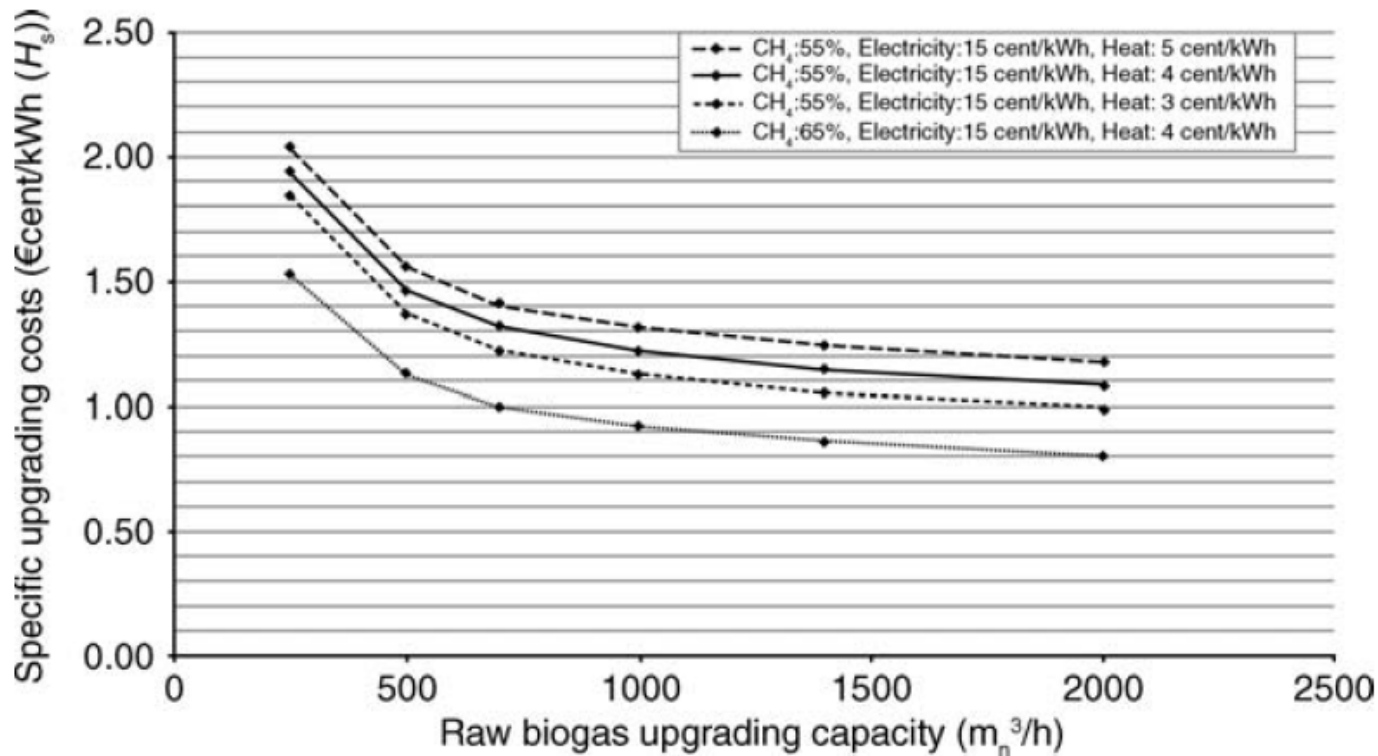
15.18 Specific biogas upgrading costs for **water scrubber** based on price indications and warranty values according to [15] (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Treatment costs: Genosorb[®] scrubbers



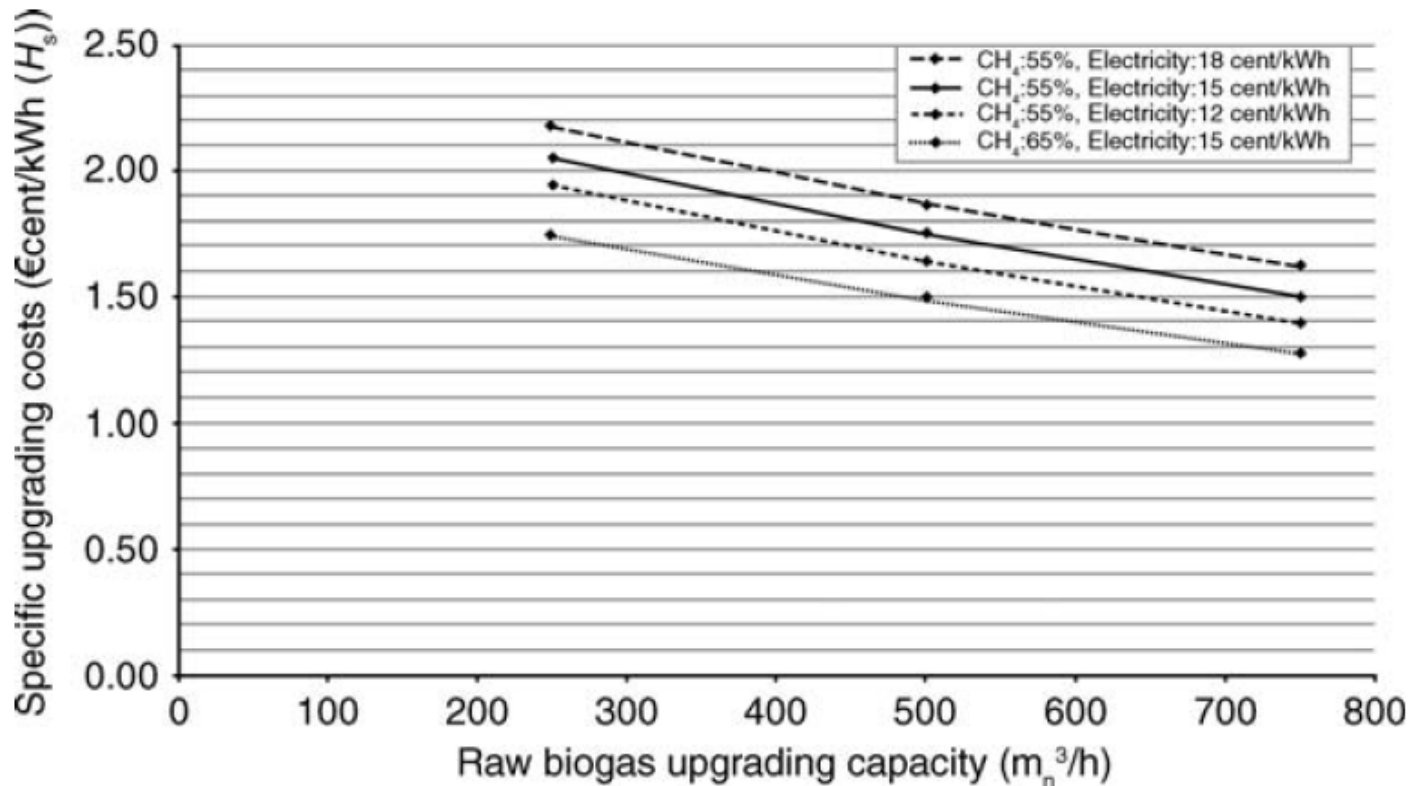
15.19 Specific biogas upgrading costs for Genosorb[®] scrubbers based on price indications and warranty values according to [14] (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Treatment costs: amine scrubbers



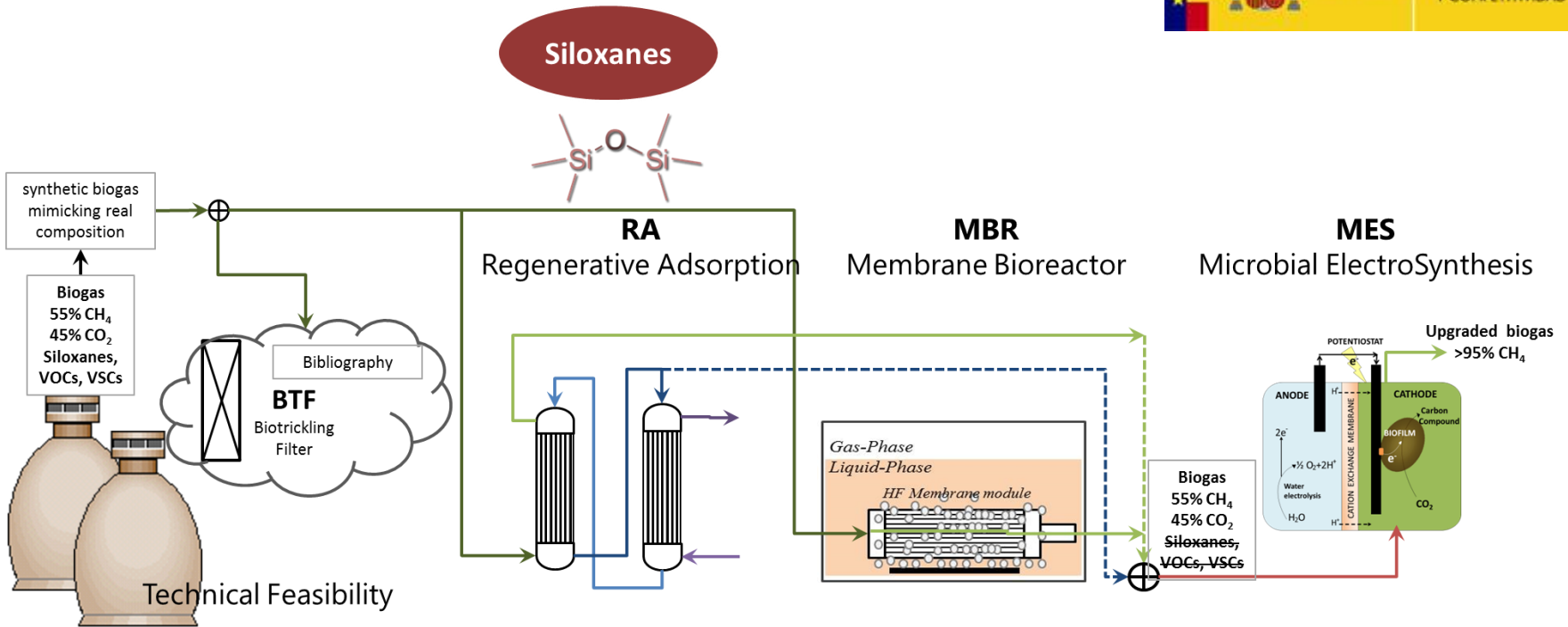
15.20 Specific biogas upgrading costs for **amine scrubbers** based on price indications and warranty values according to [17] (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Treatment costs: membrane separation



15.21 Specific biogas upgrading costs for a **membrane separation system** based on price indications and warranty values according to [45] (Copyright: Fraunhofer IWES, 2012).

Biogas upgrading. BiogasApp CTQ2014-53718-R



Economical Feasibility

Environmental Impacts (LCA)

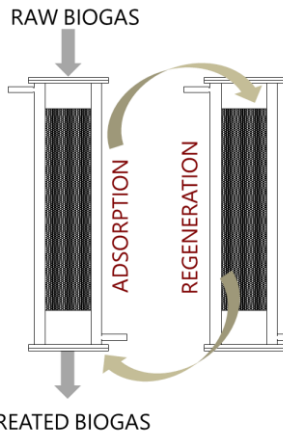
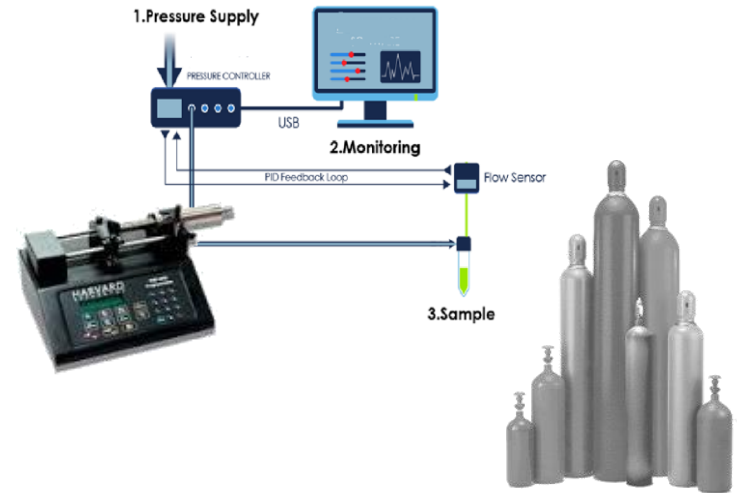
Social Benefits

Integrated Decision-Making

Removal of siloxanes



Storage ΔP (<40 bar)



SYN-ADG

AD biogas



low concentration
pulseless
smooth
fast response
affordable cost

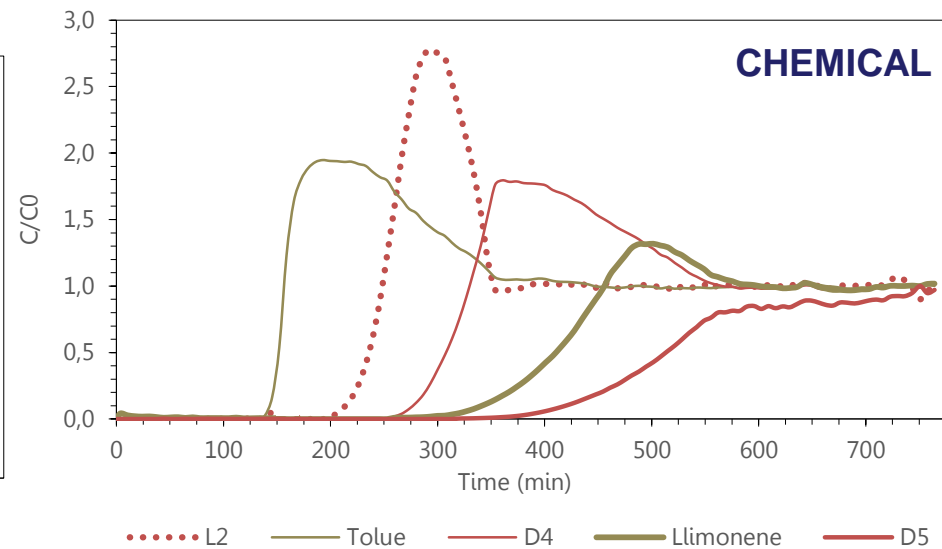
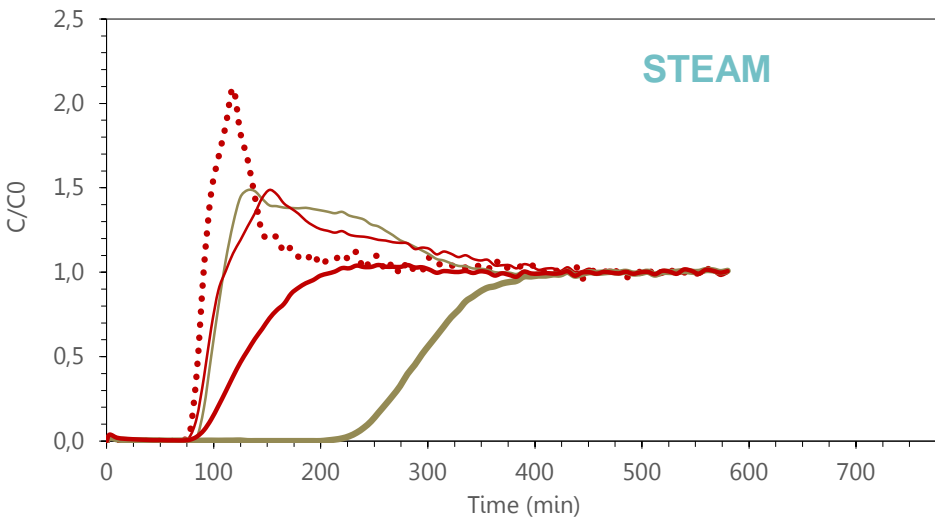
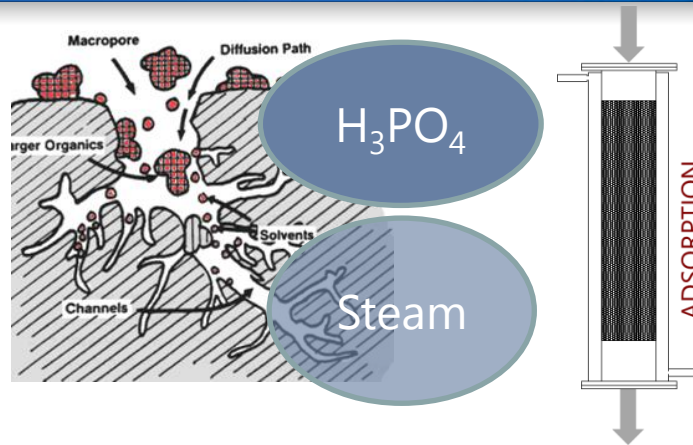
Removal of siloxanes

Multicomponent adsorption
breakthrough curves

EBCT = 0,2s

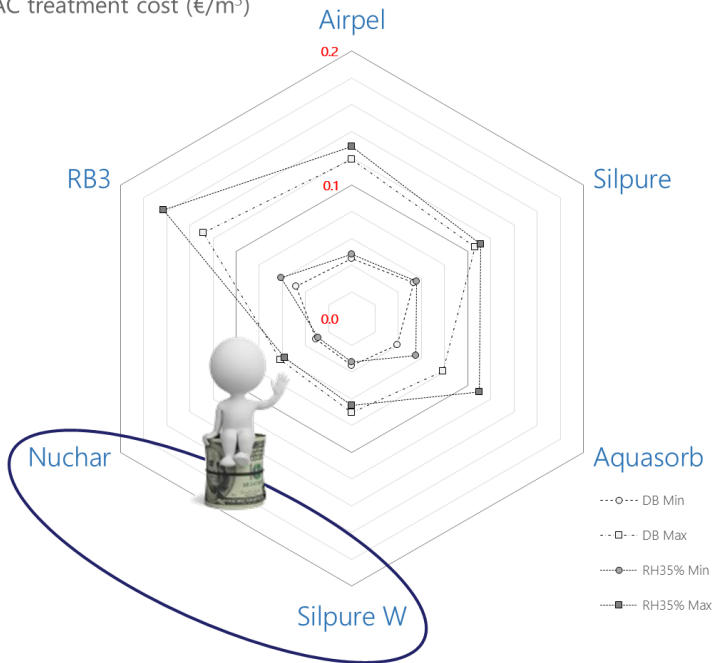
Q = 200 STPmL N₂/min

| COMPOUND | [C] (mg m ⁻³) |
|----------|---------------------------|
| L2 | 380 |
| D4 | 1892 |
| D5 | 2064 |
| Toluene | 3886 |
| Limonene | 752 |



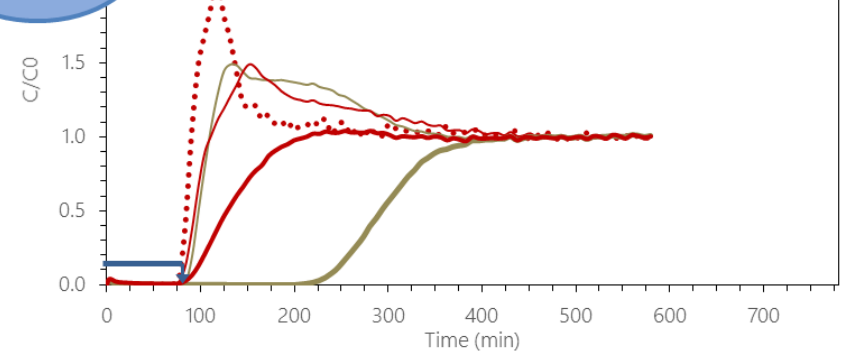
Removal of siloxanes: treatment costs.

AC treatment cost (€/m³)



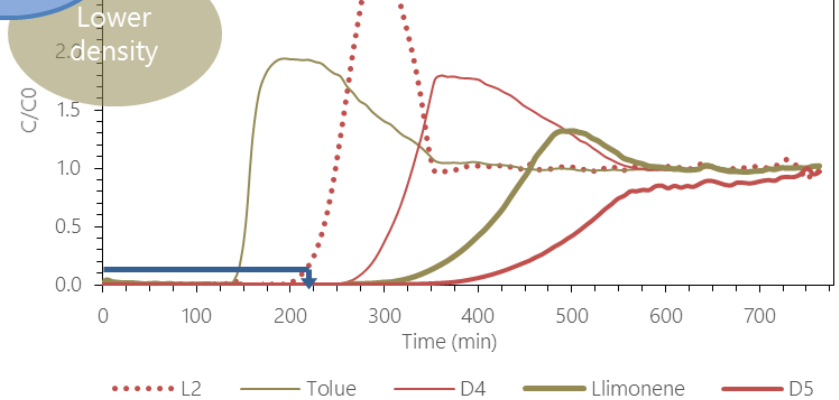
1.5-4
€/kg

STEAM

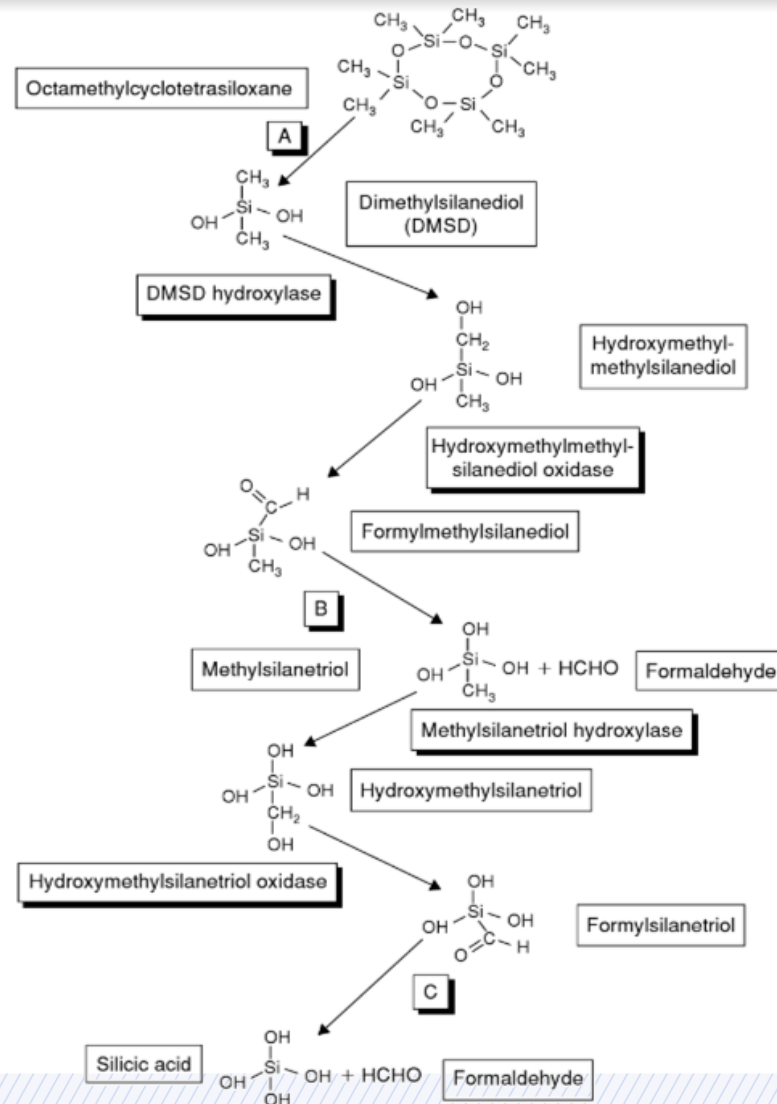


4-8
€/kg

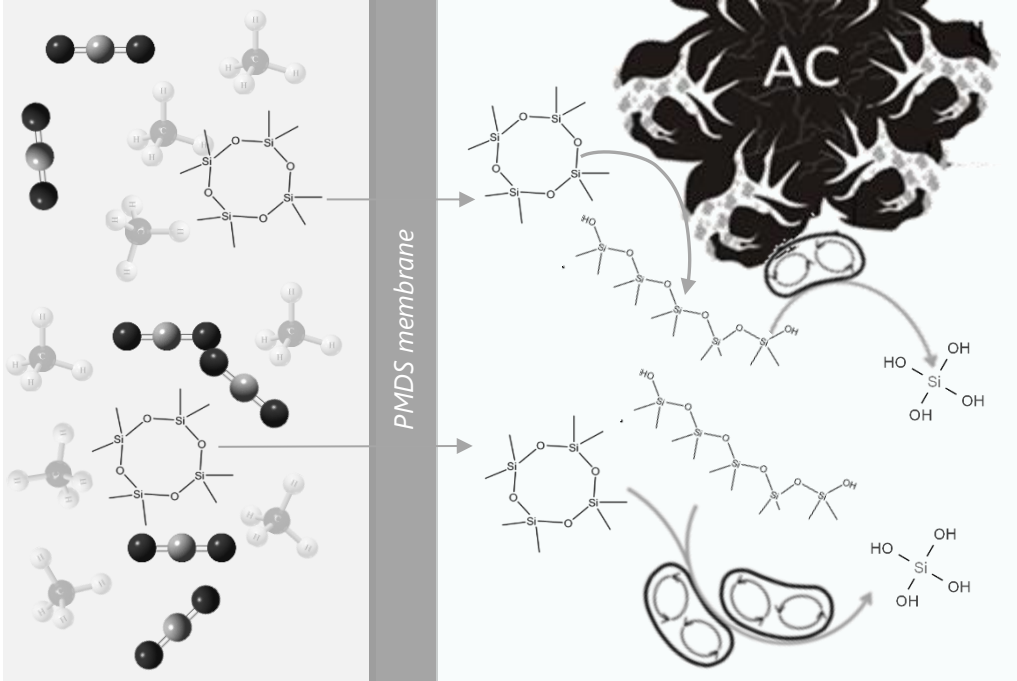
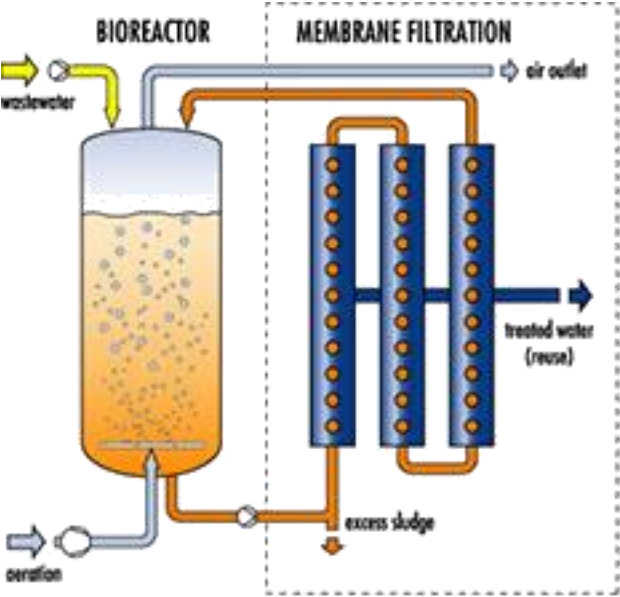
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Removal of siloxanes: biological treatment?



Removal of siloxanes: biological treatment?



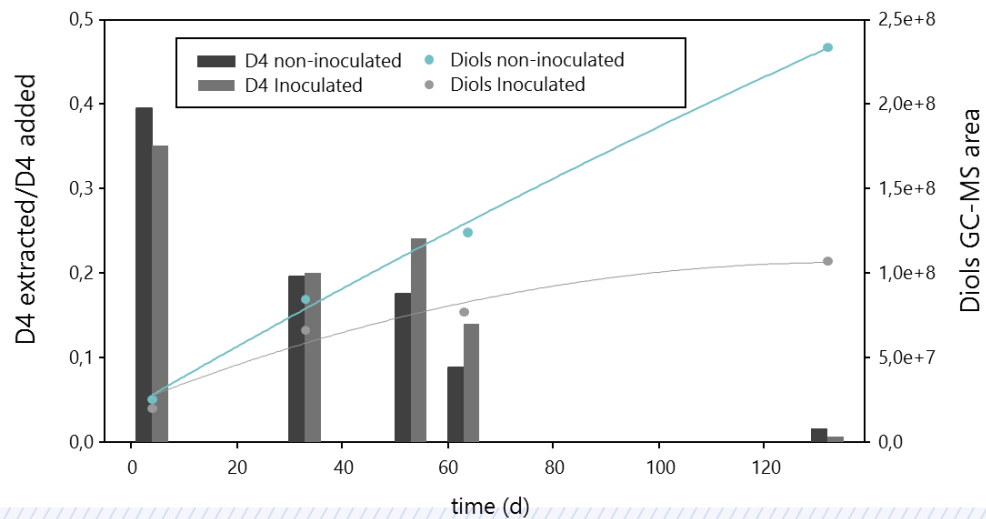
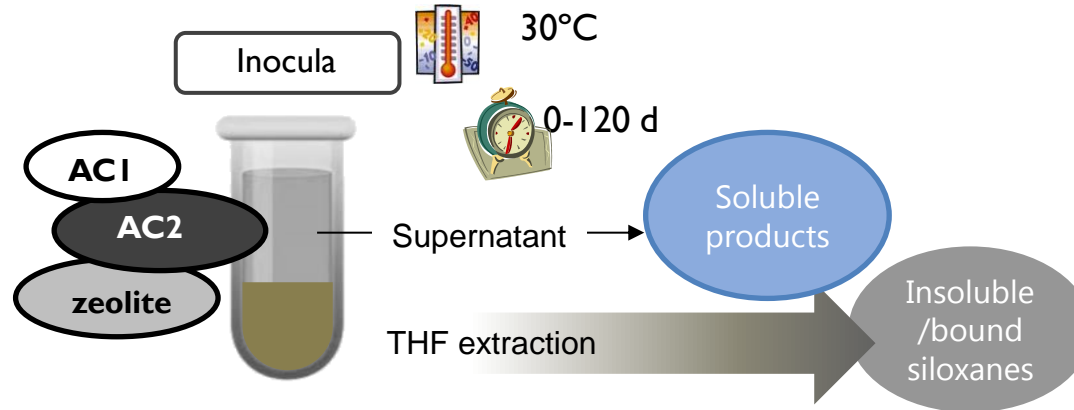
Removal of siloxanes: biological treatment?



- ✓ Cyclic volatile siloxanes are (fast enough?) biodegradable
- ✓ PDMS membranes are efficient for siloxane removal
- ✓ AC efficiently concentrates VSIC on its surface
- ✓ AC catalyzes siloxane bond cleavage

Removal of siloxanes: biological treatment?

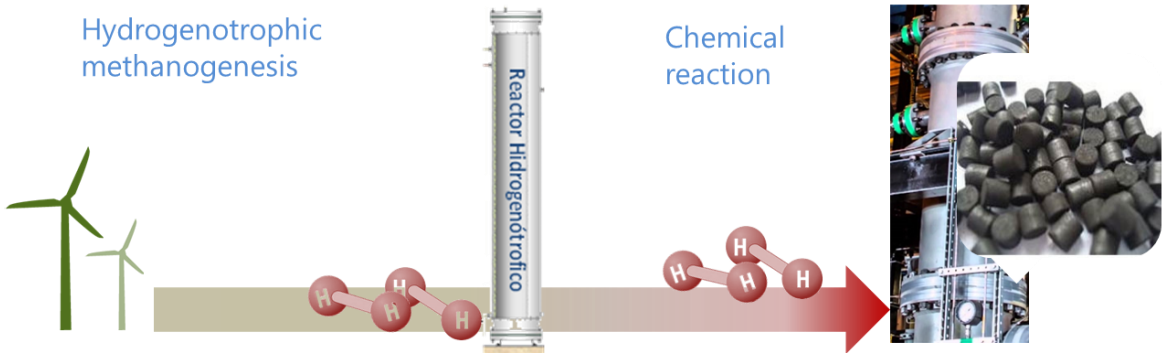
Batch tests



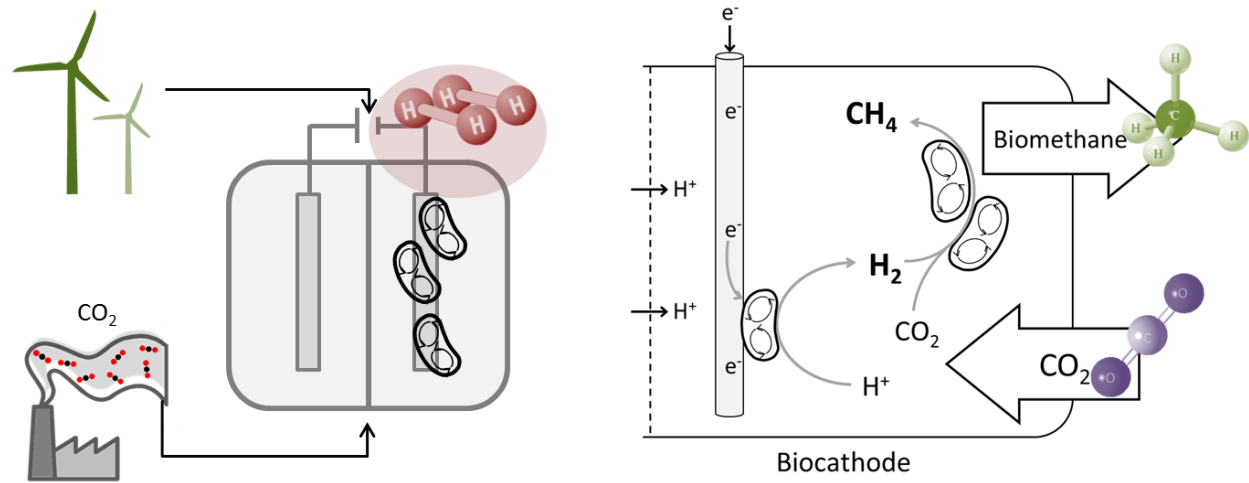
Conversion of CO₂ to CH₄?

Hydrogenotrophic methanogenesis

Chemical reaction



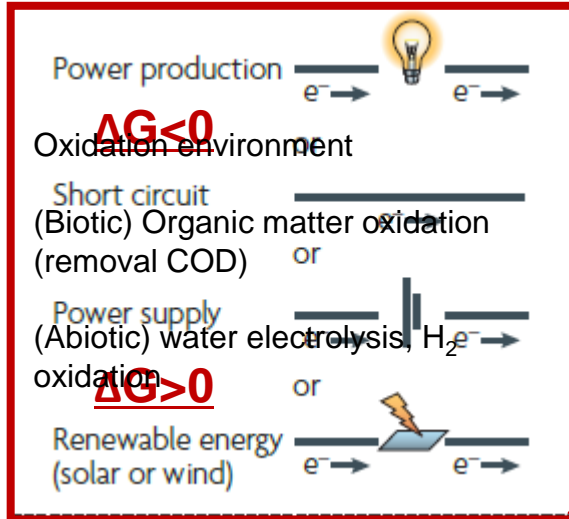
Bioelectrochemical systems



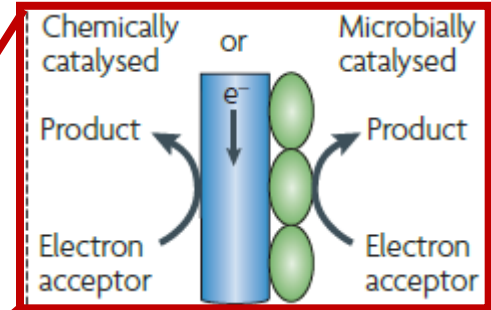
Microbial electrotechnologies (MET): what's that?

From where comes MET ?

Driving force: ΔG

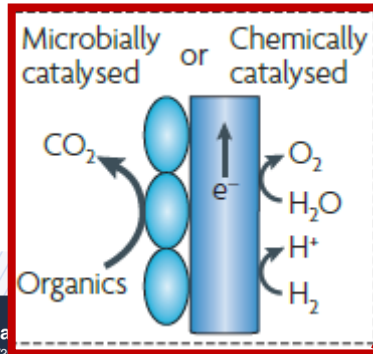


Cathode: reduction

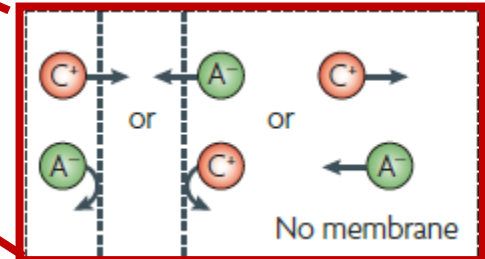


- Reduction environment
- (Biotic) reduction of: $CO_2 \rightarrow \text{Prod.}$; $NO_3^- \rightarrow N_2$
- (Abiotic) Chemical e^- acceptor:

Anode: oxidation



Membrane: charge balance

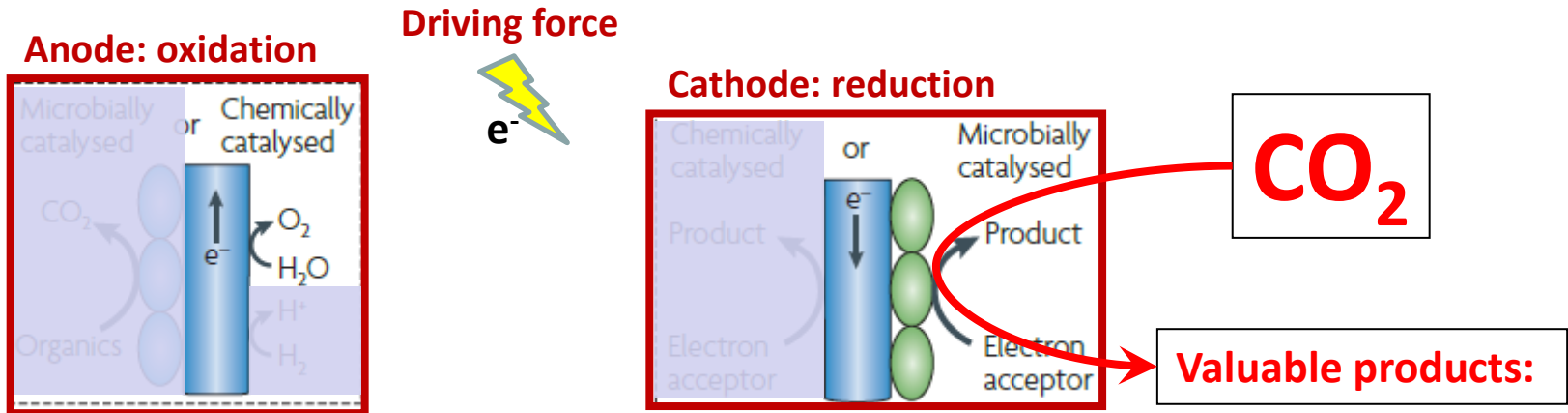


Rabaey and Rozendal (2010)

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Microbial electrotechnologies (MET): what's that?

Source and products within MET: a **biocathode** reaction

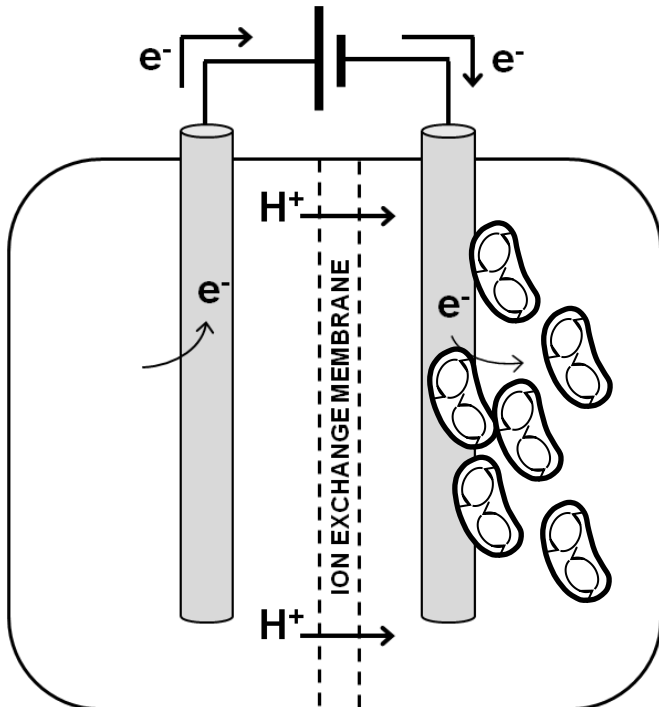


- **Carboxylic acids:** acetate, propionate, ...
- **Methane**
- **Alcohols:** ethanol, butanol, ...

Why it works:

- Anode: **water oxidation**
- Cathode: CO_2 reduction, **biocathode**
- Energy: **power supply**
- Membrane: C/A membrane or membrane less (study)

Microbial electrotechnologies (MET): what's that?

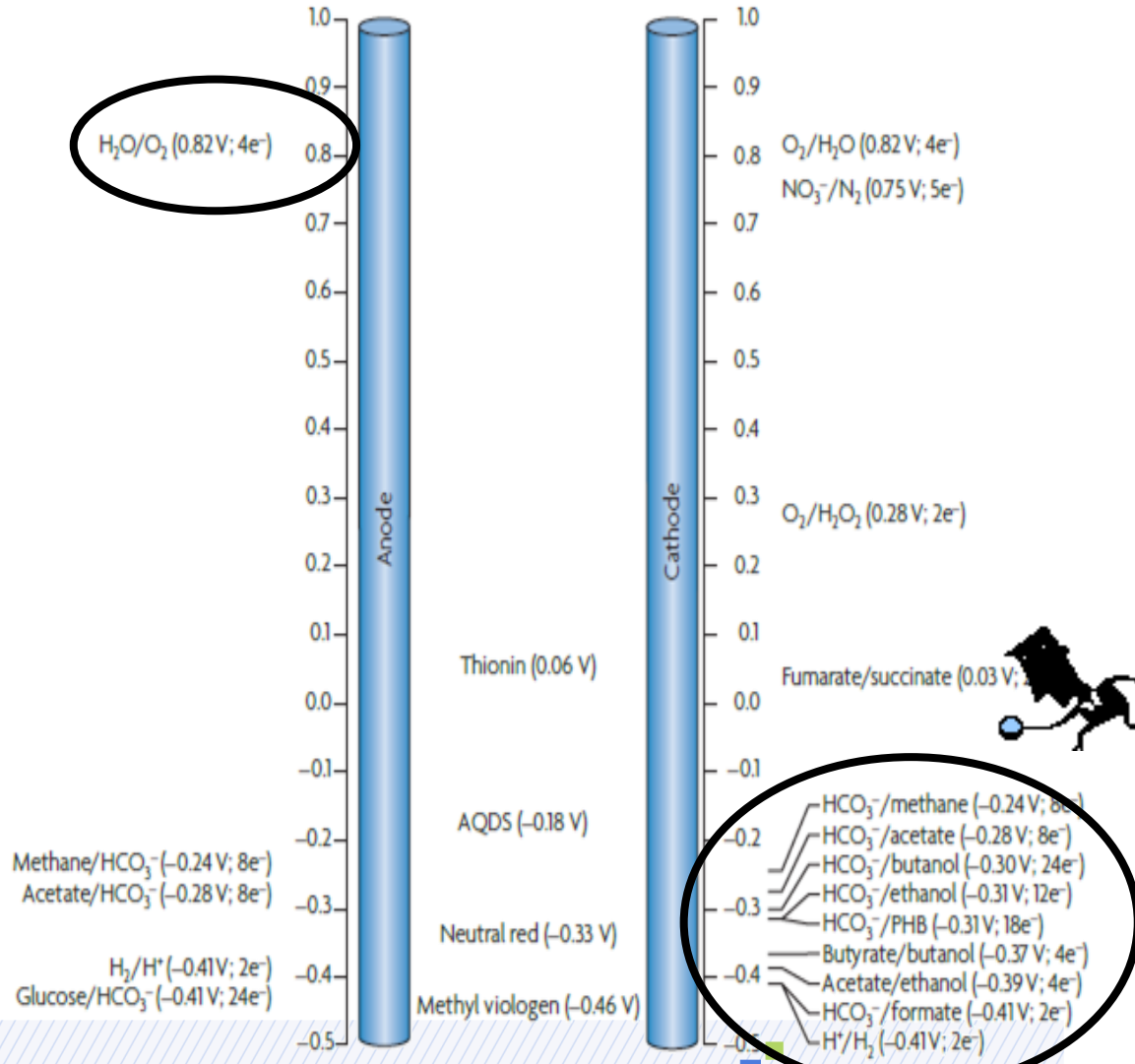


Anode

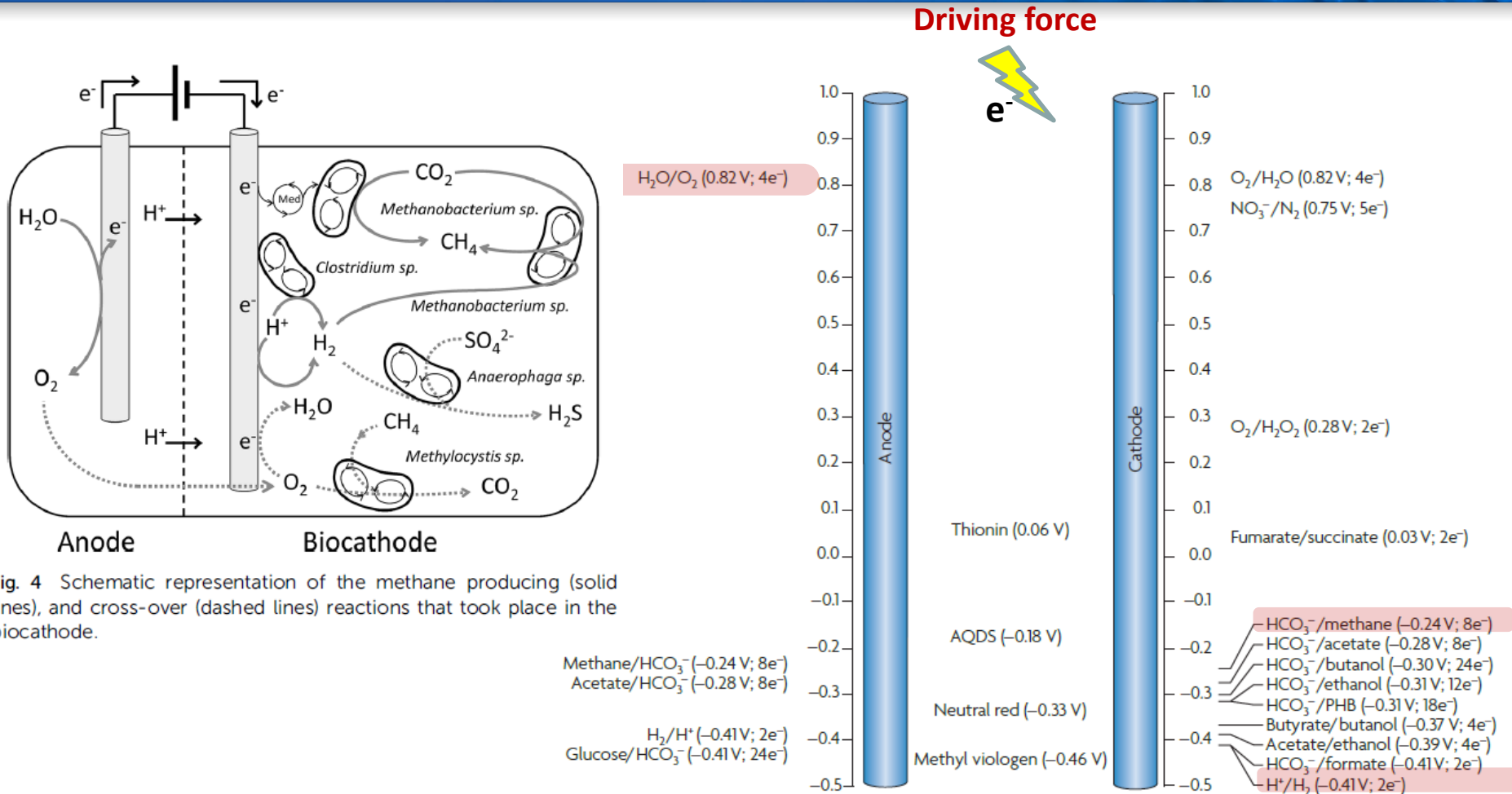
Cathode

$E_{cell} < 0$
 $\Delta G > 0$
 Non spontaneous

Energy required



Microbial electrotechnologies (MET): Methane



Batlle-Vilanova et al. 2015
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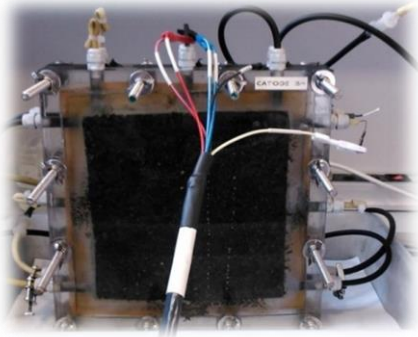
MET: CO₂ to Methane

Lab scale BES

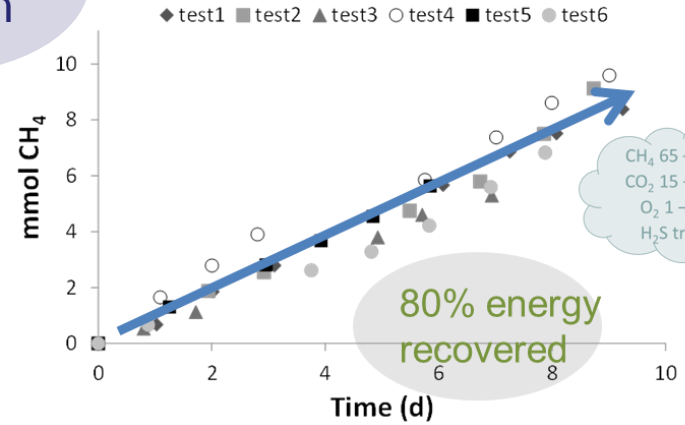
V_{cat} = 0,4L

Feed: CO₂-saturated mineral solution

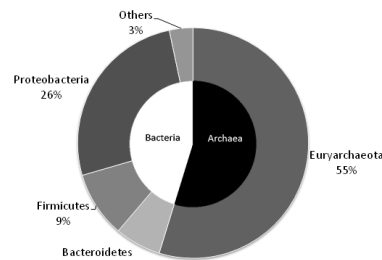
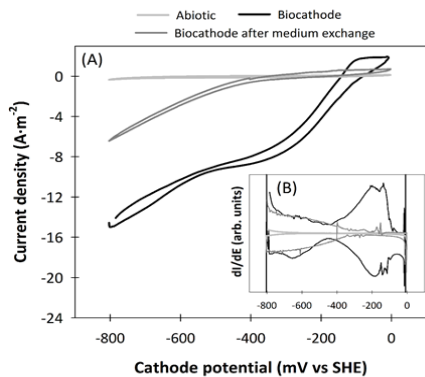
Cathode potential: -0,8V



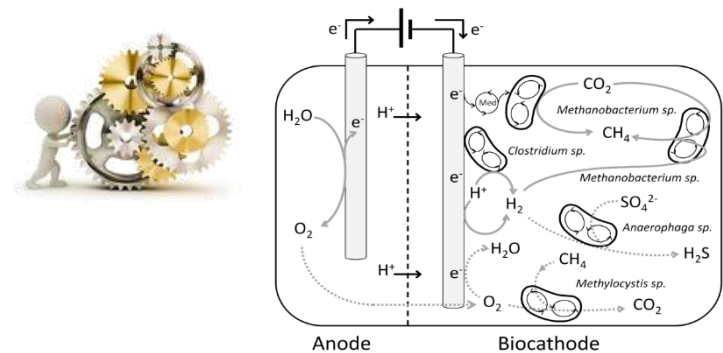
Batch operation
Continuous operation



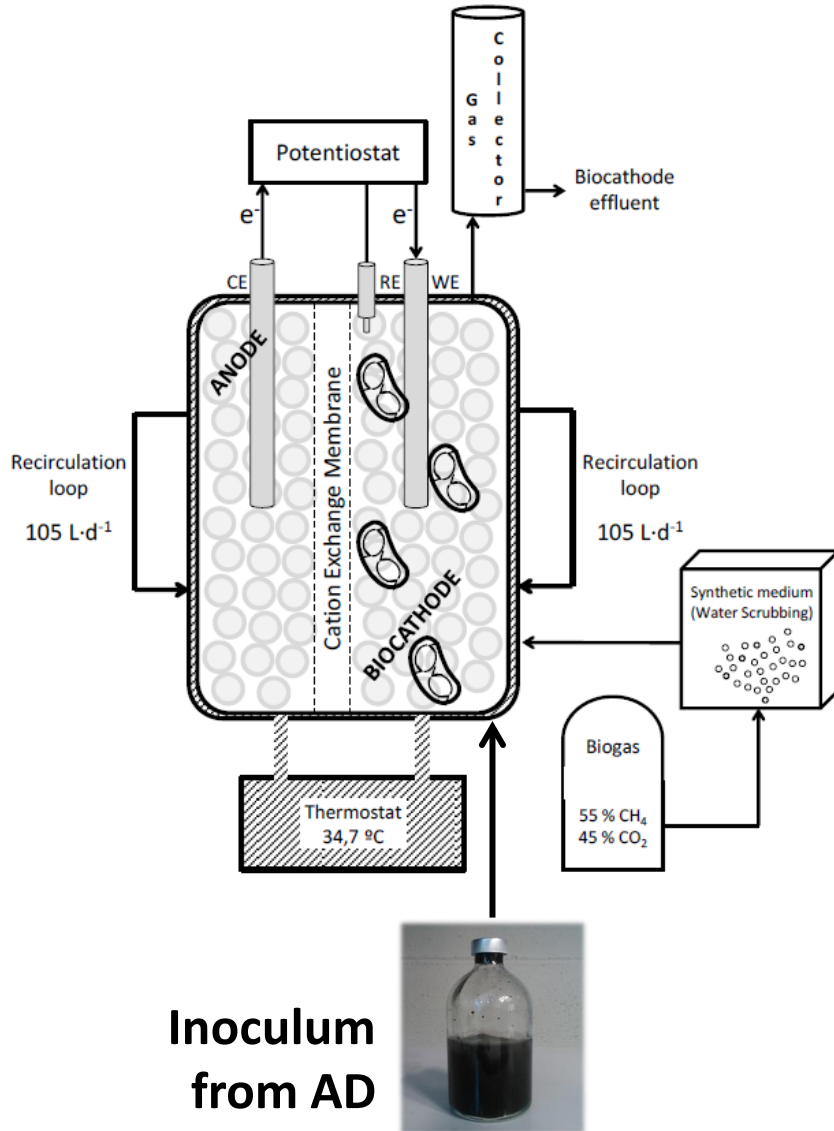
Electrochemical & Microbiological characterisation



Reaction mechanism



MET: the pilot



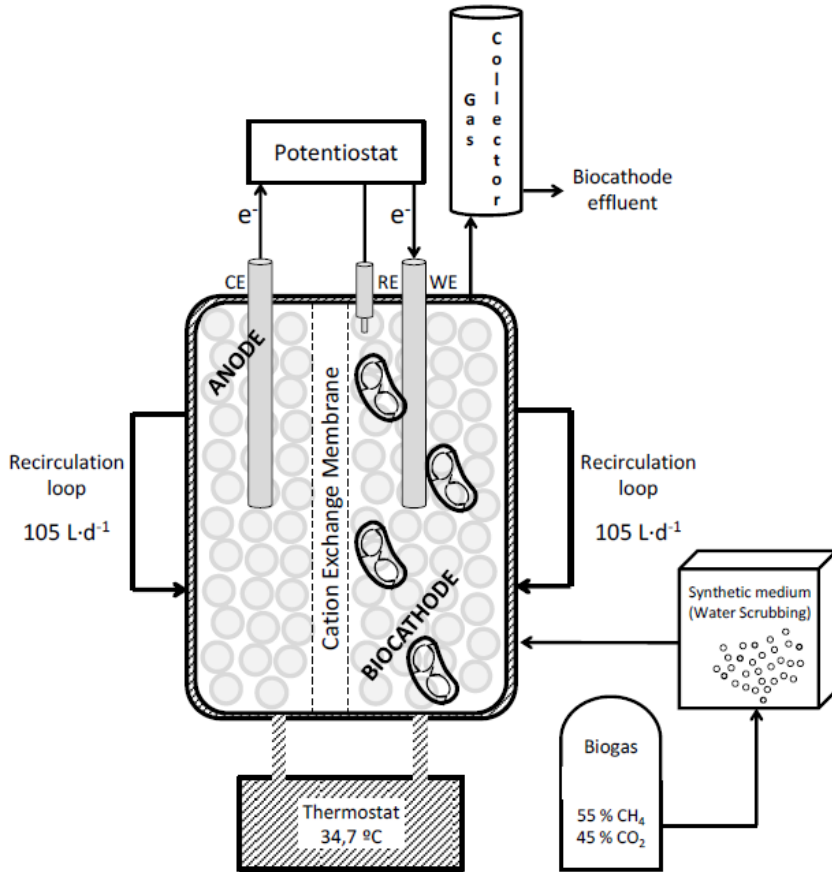
Biocathode volume 0,42 L

Electrode surface 0,57 m²

Operation Batch / Continuous (HRT=18,3h)

Cathode potential -800 mV vs SHE

The reactions...

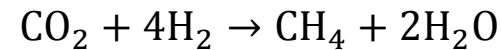
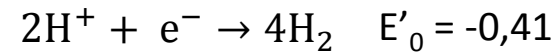


BIOCATHODE

Electromethanogenesis

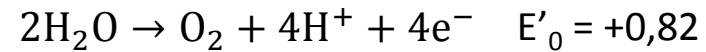


Hydrogenotrophic methanogenesis



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Water electrolysis



Thermodynamics

$$\Delta G = -n \cdot F \cdot E_{\text{cell}}$$

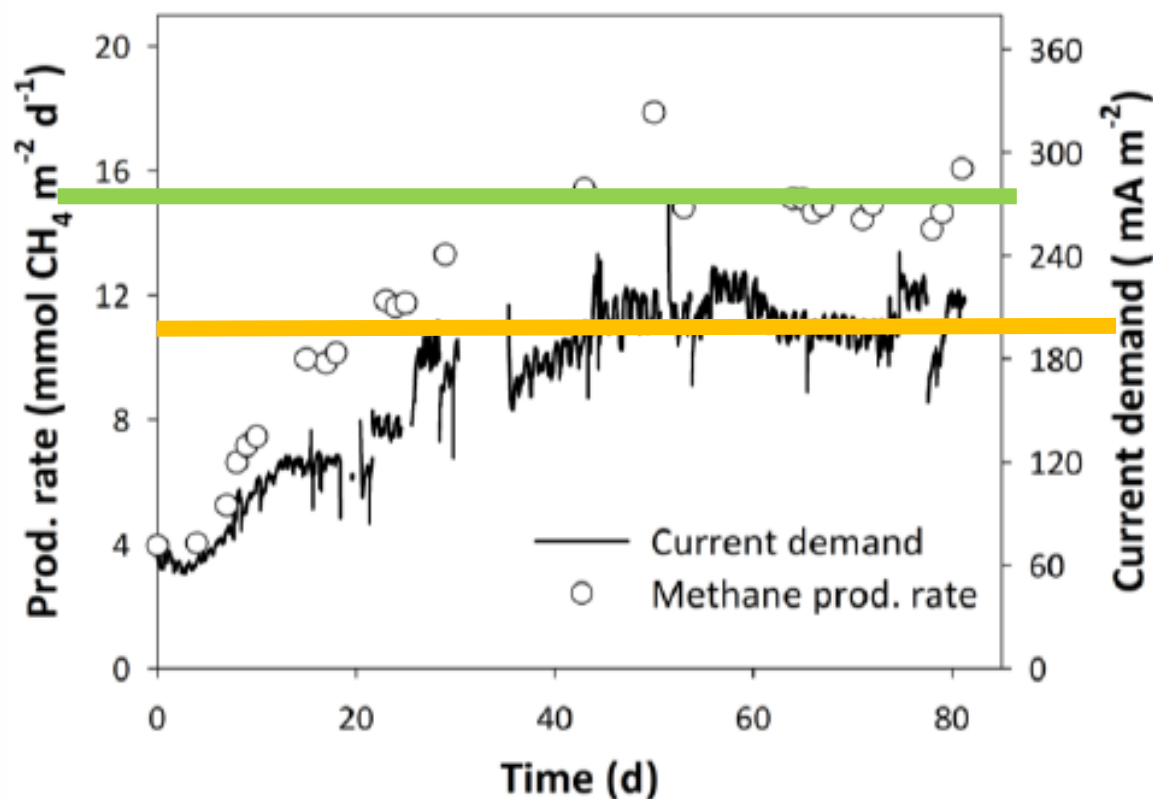
$$E_{\text{cell}} = E_{\text{cat}} - E_{\text{an}}$$

$$\Delta G > 0$$

Energy required

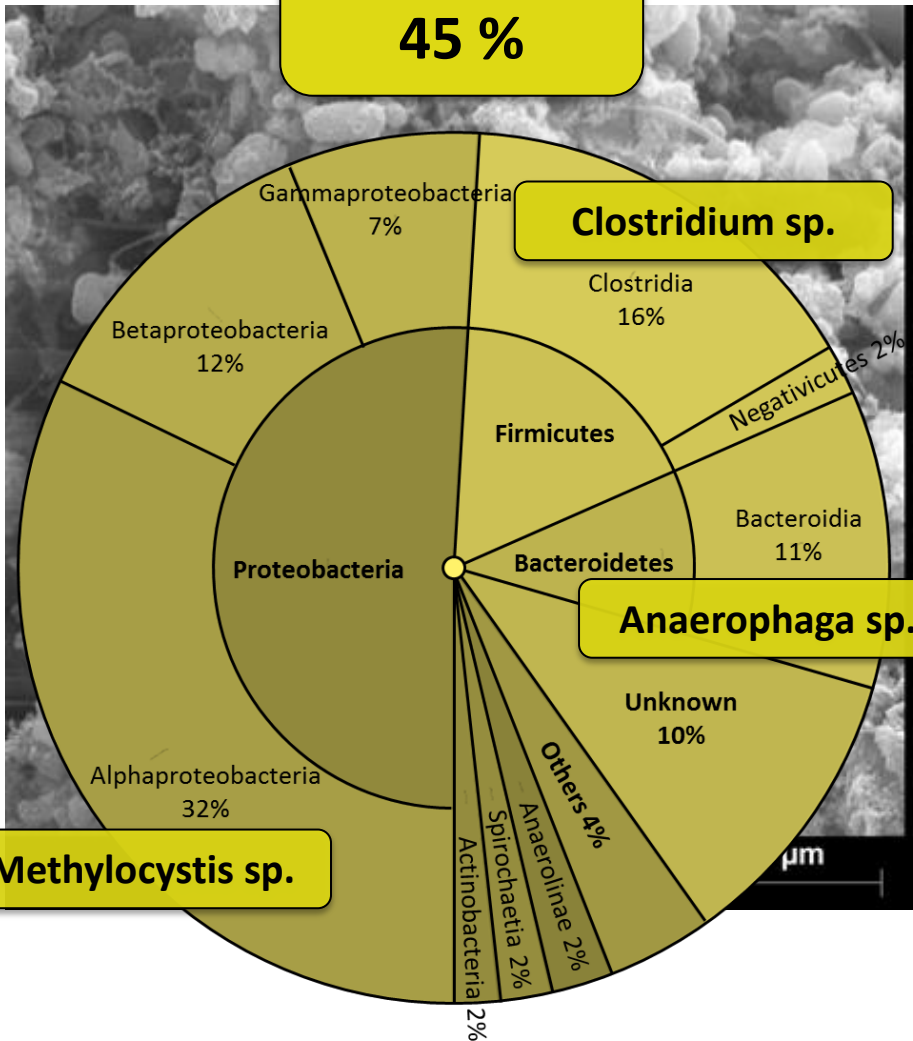
First results.....

| Current demand ($A m_{NCC}^{-3}$) | pH | Prod rate ($mM C d^{-1}$) | CE (%) |
|--|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 201.7 ± 18.1 | 7.1 ± 0.2 | 15.4 ± 0.0 | 68.9 ± 0.8 |

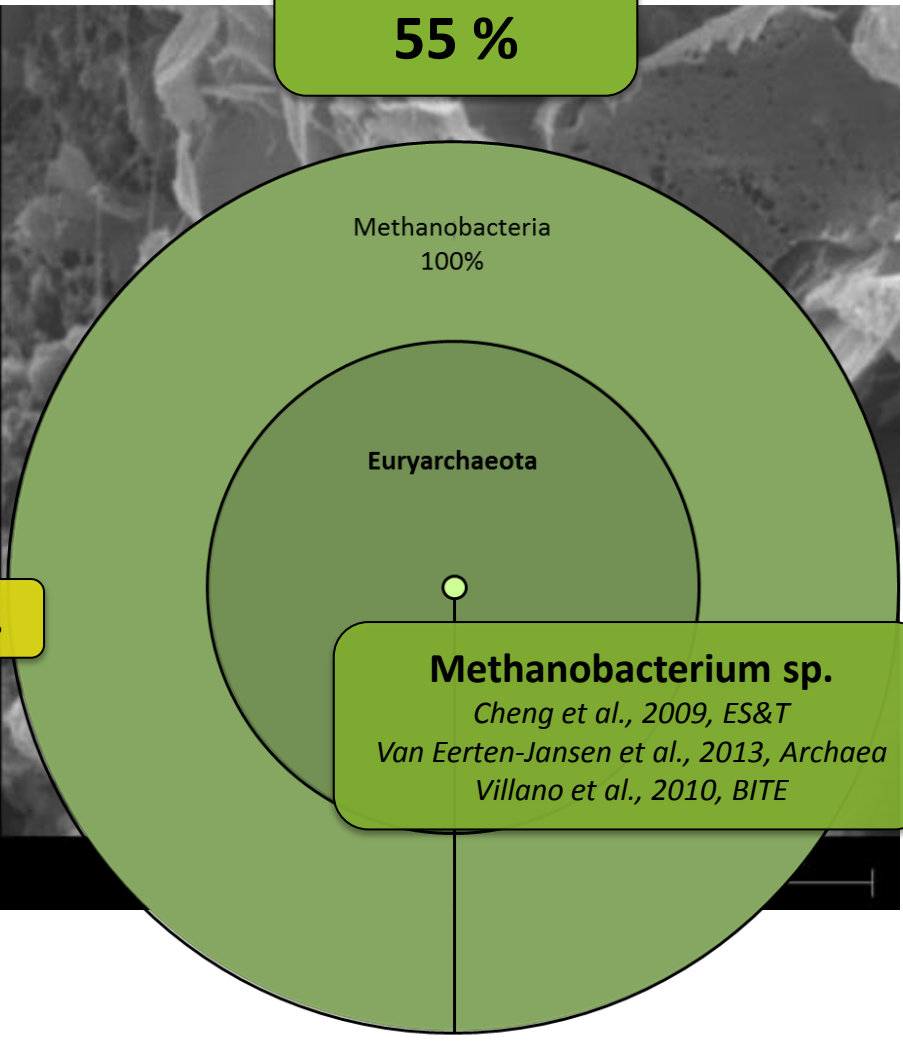


First results..... – Microbial community

Bacteria
45 %



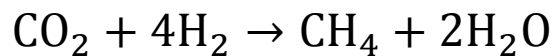
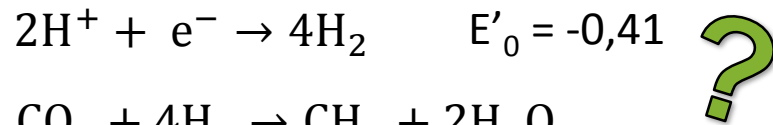
Archaea
55 %



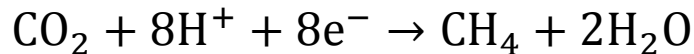
Results – Microbial community

BIOCATHODE

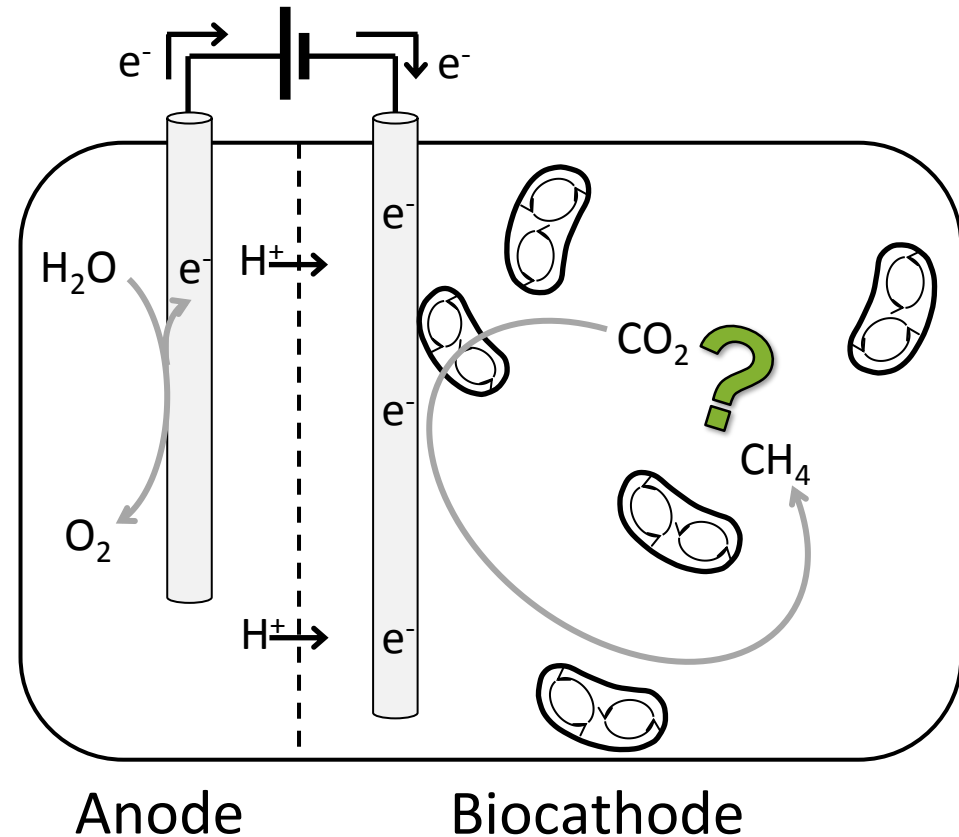
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Electromethanogenesis

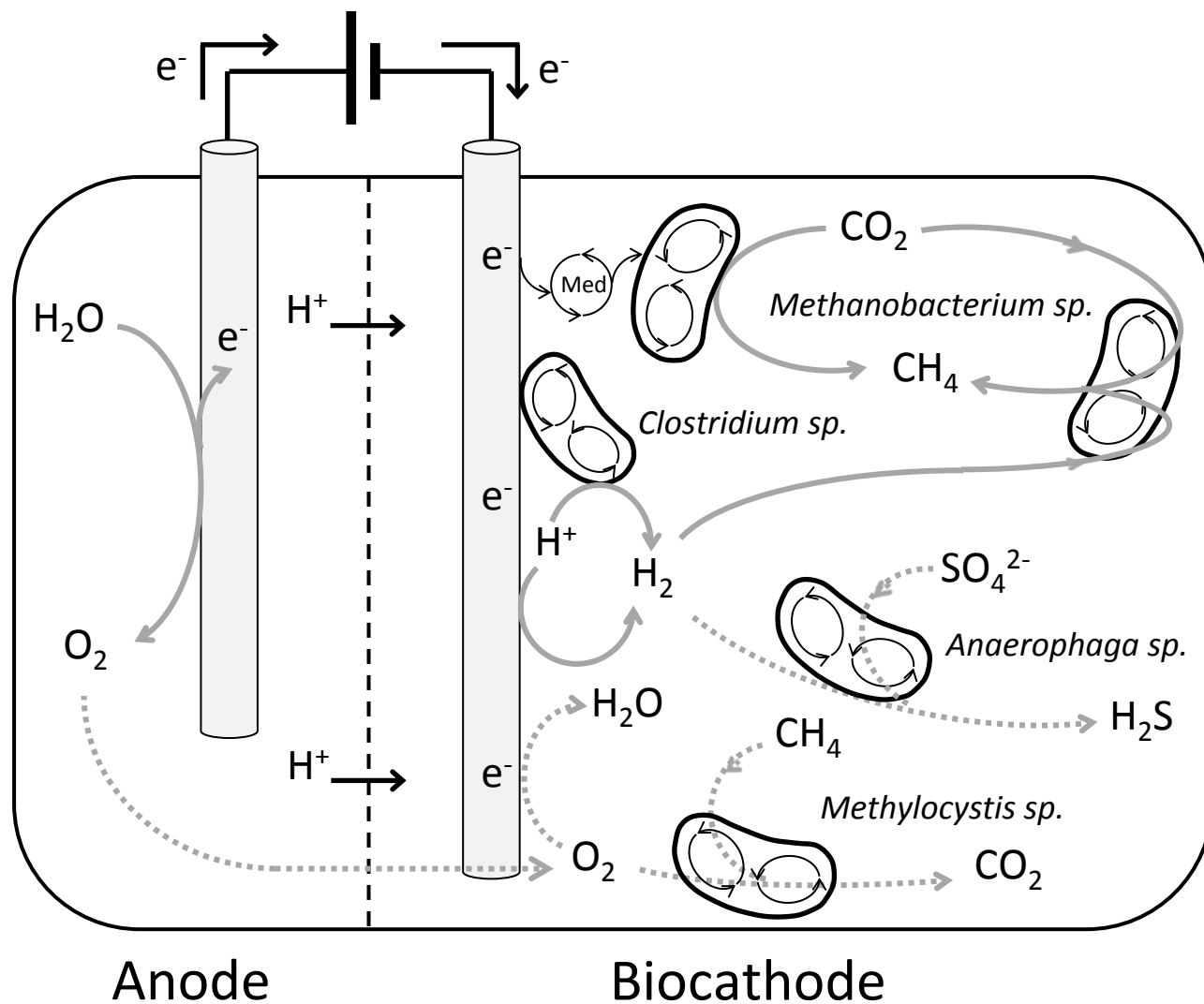
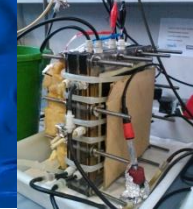


$$E'_0 = -0,24$$



**Electrochemical
characterisation**

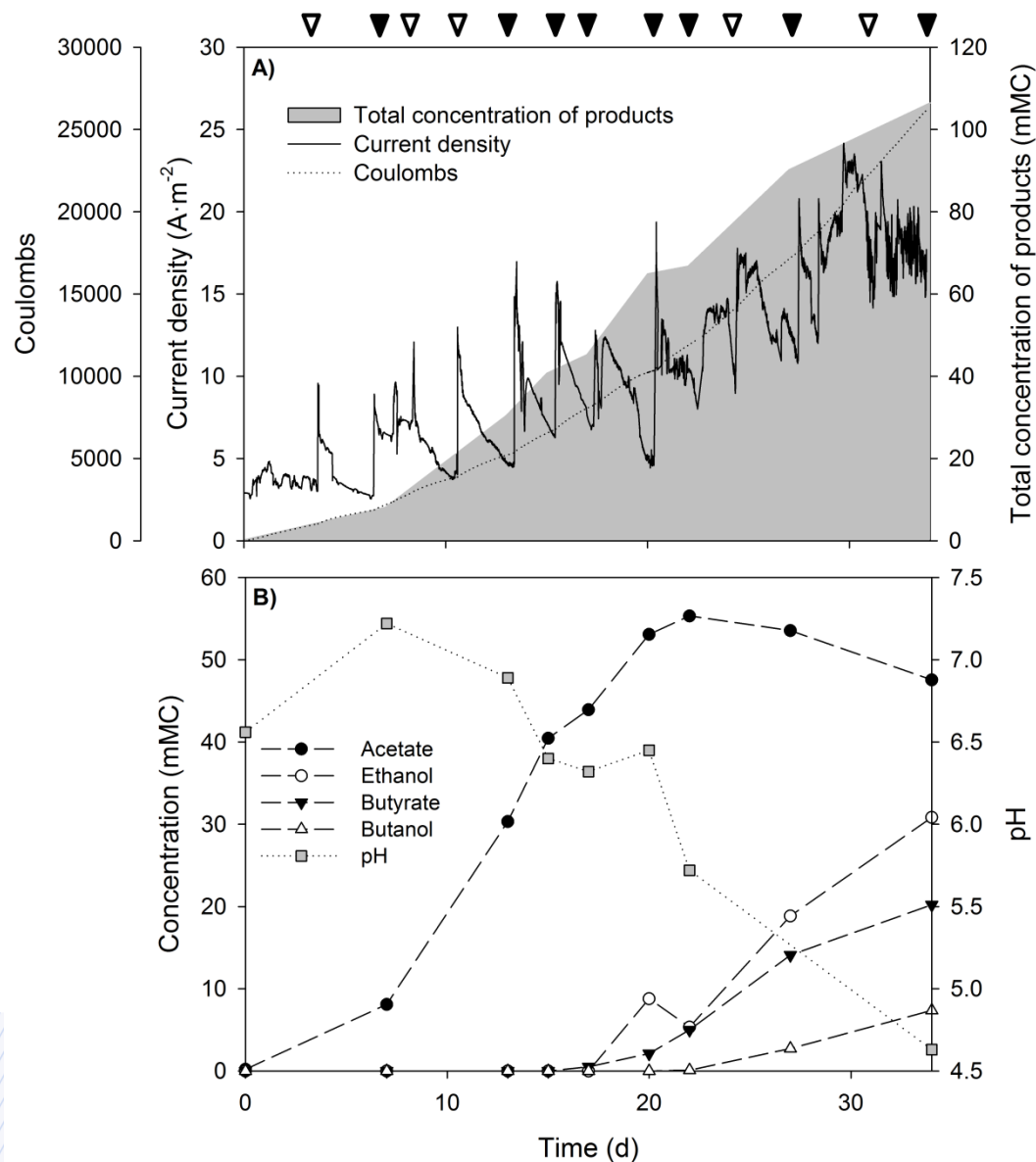
Results – Methane production mechanism



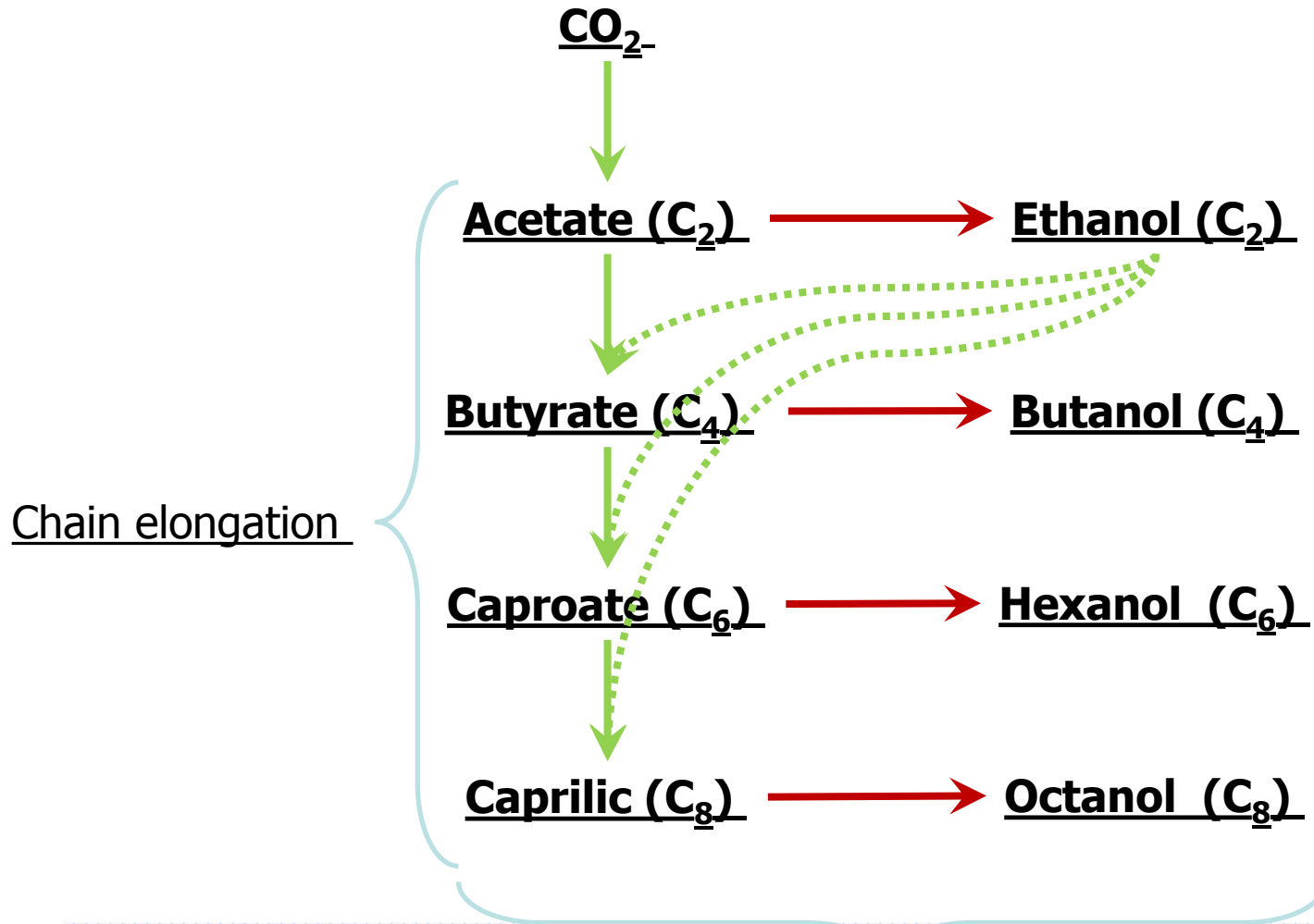
Other products from CO₂?

Ganigué et al. *LEQUIA*. (2015) *Chem. Commun.*

1st Proof of
concept:
Bioalcohols
production



CO₂: Biological transformation



Upgrading plants

Upgrading plants

List of upgrading plants

| COUNTRY | PLACE | SUBSTRATE | UTILISATION | CH ₄ REQUIREMENTS (%) | TECHNOLOGY | PLANT CAPACITY (NM ³ /H RAW GAS) | IN OPERATION SINCE | |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------|------|
| Austria | Bruck/Leitha | Biowaste | Gas grid | 97 | Membrane | 180 | 2007 | |
| | Linz | Sewage | Gas grid | 97 | Water scrubber | 800 | 2008 | |
| | Margarethen am Moos | Energy Crops & Manure | Vehicle fuel | >95 | Membrane | 70 | 2007 | |
| | Pucking | Manure | Gas grid | 97 | PSA | 10 | 2005 | |
| | Reitbach / Eugendorf | Energy crops | Gas grid Vehicle fuel | 97 | PSA | 150 | 2008 | |
| | Canada | Berthierville, (QC) | Landfill gas | Gas grid | | Membrane | | 2003 |
| France | Lille | Biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 2*600 | 2007 | |
| | Lille Marquette | | Water scrubber | | Water scrubber | 100 | 2009 | |
| Germany | Altenstadt | Biowaste | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 1250 | 2009 | |
| | Bottrop | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | | PSA | 120 | 2008 | |
| | Burgrieden | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 300 | 2008 | |
| | Einbeck | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Chemical scrubber | 1000 | 2009 | |
| | Ettlingen | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 600 | 2008 | |
| | Forchheim | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Genosorb scrubber | 1000 | 2009 | |
| | Gemeinde Graben Landkreis Augsburg | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 1000 | 2008 | |
| | Godenstedt | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Chemical scrubber | 600 | 2009 | |
| | Güstrow, M-V | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 10000 | 2009 | |
| | Hardegesen | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Chemical scrubber | 1000 | 2009 | |
| | Hom-Bad Meinberg (NRW) | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Chemical scrubber | 2000 | 2009 | |
| | Jameln | Manure Energy crops | Vehicle fuel, gas grid | | Genosorb scrubber | 160 | 2005 | |
| | Karpen | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 1000 | 2008 | |
| | Katzin | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 400 | 2008 | |
| | Könnerm I | Manure, energy crops | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 1250 | 2007 | |
| | Könnerm II | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Chemical scrubber | 3400 | 2009 | |
| | Lüchow | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 1250 | 2008 | |
| | Maihningen | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 1250 | 2007 | |
| | Mühlacker | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 920 | 2007 | |
| | Niedermödeleben | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 1250 | 2008 | |
| | Pfanning | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 920 | 2008 | |
| | Rathenow | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Genosorb scrubber | 1130 | 2009 | |
| | Ronnenberg | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Genosorb scrubber | 650 | 2008 | |
| | Schwandorf I | Energy crops | Gas grid | | Organic scrubber | 1000 | 2007 | |
| | Schwandorf II | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 2000 | 2008 | |
| | Straelen | Energy crops, manure | Gas grid | | PSA | 1000 | 2006 | |
| | Utzendorf | Biowaste | Gas grid | | PSA | 100 | 2009 | |
| | Werthe | Manure, biowaste | Gas grid | | PSA | 500 | 2007 | |
| | Wirkhausen (Darmstadt) | Manure, energy crops | Gas grid | | Water scrubber | 300 | 2008 | |
| | Wirszen | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 1200 | 2009 | |
| | Wüsting | Energy crops | Gas grid | | PSA | 1200 | 2009 | |
| | Iceland | Reykjavik | Landfill gas | Vehicle fuel | | Water scrubber | 700 | 2005 |
| | Japan | Kobe | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 100 | 2004 |
| | | Kobe | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 2*225 | 2007 |
| | Norway | Fredrikstad | | Vehicle fuel | | PSA | | 2001 |
| | | Oslo | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | | Chemical Scrubber | 750 | 2009 |
| Stavanger | | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Gas grid | | Chemical scrubber | 500 | 2009 | |
| The Netherlands (information kindly supplied by Erik Polman, Kiwa) | Beverwijk | Landfill gas | Gas grid | 88 | Membrane | | 2006 | |
| | Collendoom | Landfill gas | Gas grid | 88 | Membrane | 375 | 1993 | |
| | Mijdrecht | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | | | | 2009 | |
| | Nuenen | Landfill gas | Gas grid | 88 | PSA | 1500 | 1990 | |
| | Tilburg-De Spinder | Landfill gas | Gas grid | 88 | Water scrubber | 2100 | 1987 | |
| | Wijster | Landfill gas | Gas grid | 88 | PSA | 1150 | 1989 | |
| South Korea | Seoul | | | | Water scrubber | 150 | 2008 | |
| Spain | Madrid | Biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 96.5 | Water scrubber | 4000 | 2008 | |
| | Vacarrisses (Barcelona) | Landfill gas | Vehicle fuel | >95 | Chemical scrubber | 100 | 2005 | |

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| Sweden | Bjuv | Biowaste, manure | Gas grid | 97 | PSA | 500 | 2007 |
| | Boden | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 360 | 2007 |
| | Borås | Biowaste, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Chemical scrubber | 450 | 2002 |
| | Bromma, Stockholm | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | PSA | 250 | 2002 |
| | Bromma, Stockholm | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | PSA | 250 | 2003 |
| | Eskilltuna | Biowaste, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 330 | 2003 |
| | Eslov | Biowaste, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 80 | 1999 |
| | Falkenberg | Sewage sludge, biowaste, energy crops | Gas grid | 97 | Chemical scrubber | 750 | 2009 |
| | Falköping | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 200 | 2007 |
| | Göteborg | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Gas grid | 97 | Chemical scrubber | 1600 | 2007 |
| | Helsingborg | Biowaste, manure | Vehicle fuel and Gas grid | 97 | PSA | 350 | 2001 |
| | Helsingborg | Biowaste, manure | Vehicle fuel and Gas grid | 97 | Water scrubber | 650 | 2007 |
| | Helsingborg | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 97 | Water scrubber | 250 | 2007 |
| | Henriksdal, Stockholm | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 800 | 2004 |
| | Henriksdal, Stockholm | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 600 | 2006 |
| | Himmerfjärden, Stockholm | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Chemical scrubber | 800 | 2009 |
| | Jönköping | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 300 | 2000 |
| | Kalmar | Sewage sludge, manure | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Chemical scrubber | 200 | 2008 |
| | Katrineholm | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 80 | 2009 |
| | Kristianstad | Biowaste, manure, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 280 | 1999 |
| | Kristianstad | Biowaste, manure, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 600 | 2006 |
| | Laholm | Biowaste, manure | Gas grid | 97 | Water scrubber | 500 | 2000 |
| | Linköping | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 2*330 | 1997 |
| | Linköping | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 1400 | 2002 |
| | Malmö | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 97 | PSA | 500 | 2008 |
| | Motala | Sewage sludge | Vehicle gas | 97 | Water scrubber | 80 | 2009 |
| Norrköping | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 250 | 2004 | |
| Norrköping | Distiller's waste, Energy crops | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 240 | 2006 | |
| Skellefteå | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 250 | 2005 | |
| Skövde | Sewage sludge, slaughter waste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | PSA | 140 | 2002 | |
| Trollhättan | Biowaste, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 200 | 1995 | |
| Trollhättan | Biowaste, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 400 | 2001 | |
| Ulricehamn | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | PSA | 20 | 2003 | |
| Uppsala | Sewage sludge, biowaste | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 400 | 2001 | |
| Västervik | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 130 | 2009 | |
| Västervik | Biowaste, sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 650 | 2004 | |
| Örebro | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 450 | 2007 | |
| Örebro | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 2000 | 2009 | |
| Östersund | Sewage sludge | Vehicle fuel | 97 | Water scrubber | 200 | 2006 | |
| Switzerland | Bachenblach | Biowaste | Gas grid and vehicle gas | 96 | PSA | 50 | 1996 |
| | Berne | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 96 | PSA | 300 | 2007 |
| | Bischofszell | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 96 | Genosorb scrubber | 100 | 2007 |
| | Jona | Biowaste | Gas grid | 96 | Genosorb scrubber | 55 | 2005 |
| | Irwil | Biowaste, manure | Gas grid | 96 | PSA | 225 | 2009 |
| | Lavigny | Biowaste | Gas grid | 96 | PSA | 150 | 2009 |
| | Lucerne | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 96 | PSA | 75 | 2004 |
| | Obermeilen | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 96 | Chemical scrubber | 100 | 2008 |
| Oeflingen | Biowaste | Vehicle gas | 96 | PSA | 50 | 1998 | |
| Pratteln | Biowaste | Gas grid | 96 | Genosorb scrubber | 300 | 2006 | |
| Roche | Sewage sludge | Gas grid | 96 | PSA | 250 | 2008 | |

List of biogas upgrading plant providers

| Company | Technology | Website |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Acrona-Systems | PSA | www.acrona-systems.com |
| Air Liquide | Membrane | http://www.airliquide.com |
| CarboTech | PSA, chemical absorption | http://www.carbotech.de |
| Cirmac | PSA, Chemical absorption, membrane | www.cirmac.com |
| Flotech Sweden AB | Water scrubber | www.flotech.com |
| Gasrec | PSA/Membrane | www.gasrec.co.uk |
| GtS | Cryogenic | www.gastreatmentservices.com |
| HAASE | Organic physical scrubbing | www.haase-energietechnik.de |
| Läckeby Water Group AB | Chemical absorption | www.lackebywater.se |
| Malmberg Water | Water scrubber | www.malmberg.se |
| MT-Energie | Chemical absorption | www.mt-energie.com/ |
| Prometheus | Cryogenic | www.prometheus-energy.com |
| Terracastus Technologies | Membrane | www.terracastus.com |
| Xebec (QuestAir) | PSA | www.xebecinc.com |

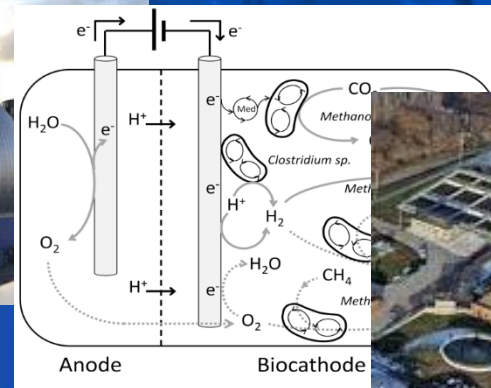
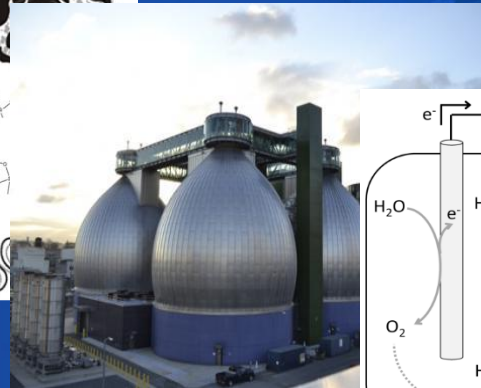
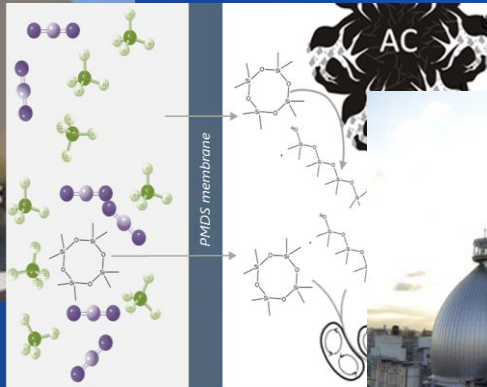
An updated version of plant providers can be found on www.iea-biogas.net.

Take home message

Biogas Upgrading:

- cleaning process: stablished.... To be optimized?
Alternatives for SiO removal? Biological?
- Increase methane contents:
CO₂ removal vs. CO₂ recovery
CO₂ conversion to methane as energy storage
Why not to convert to other valuable products?
- Which is the best option?
a DSS to assess process scheme definition

Innovative technologies for biogas upgrading: from basic research to technology assessment



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