

# The Status of CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage Technology

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## Outline of Talk

- Why the interest in CCS?
- Status of current CCS technology
- Current cost estimates
- Potential for cost reductions

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## *Why the interest in CCS ?*

*(Carbon Capture and Storage /Sequestration)*

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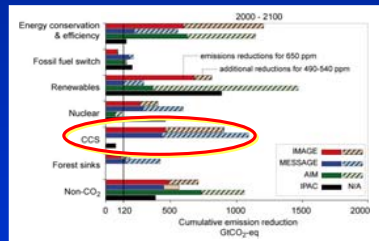
## Motivation for CCS

- Stabilizing atmospheric GHG concentrations will require large reductions in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. But ...
- Fossil fuels will continue to be used for many decades—alternatives not able to substitute quickly
- CCS is the **ONLY** way to get large CO<sub>2</sub> reductions from fossil fuel use—a potential bridging strategy
- CCS can also help decarbonize the transportation sector via low-carbon electricity and hydrogen from fossil fuels
- Energy models show that without CCS, the cost of mitigating climate change will be much higher

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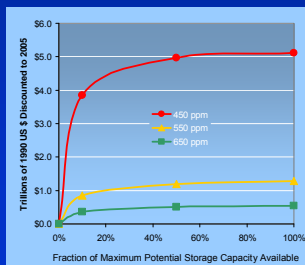
# Cost-Effective Global Strategies Require CCS in the Portfolio

Models show increasing need for CCS as stabilization goal tightens



Source: IPCC, 2007

Without CCS the cost of stabilization increases sharply



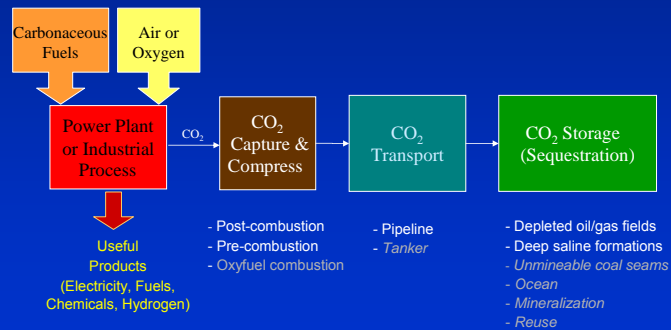
Source: J. Edmonds, PNNL, 2008

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# Status of CCS technology

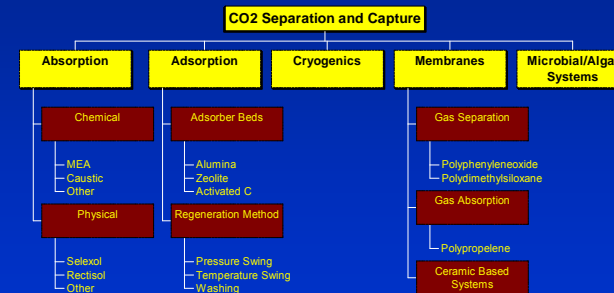
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# Schematic of a CCS System



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# Many Ways to Capture CO<sub>2</sub>



Choice of technology depends strongly on application

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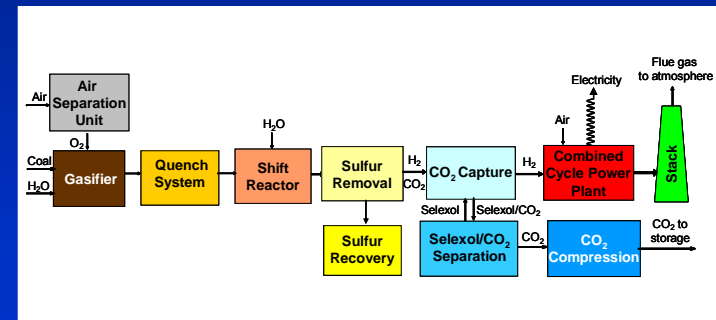
## Leading Candidates for CCS

- Fossil fuel power plants
  - Pulverized coal combustion (PC)
  - Natural gas combined cycle (NGCC)
  - Integrated coal gasification combined cycle (IGCC)
- Other large industrial sources of CO<sub>2</sub> such as:
  - Refineries, fuel processing, and petrochemical plants
  - Hydrogen and ammonia production plants
  - Pulp and paper plants
  - Cement plants

— Main focus is on power plants, the dominant source of CO<sub>2</sub> —

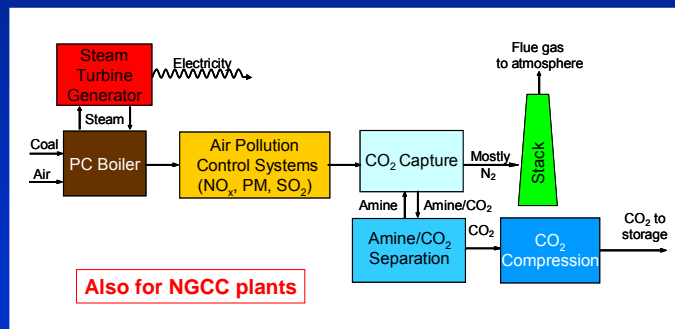
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## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Options for Power Plants: Pre-Combustion Capture



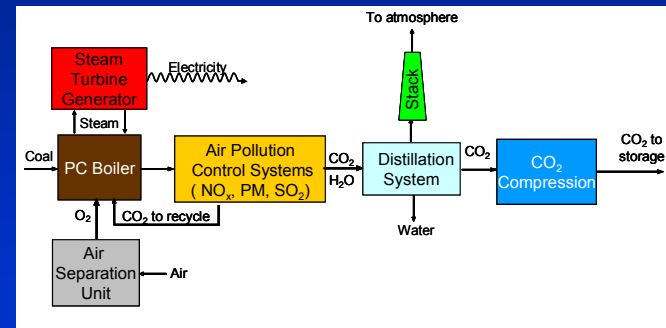
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## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Options for Power Plants: Post-Combustion Capture



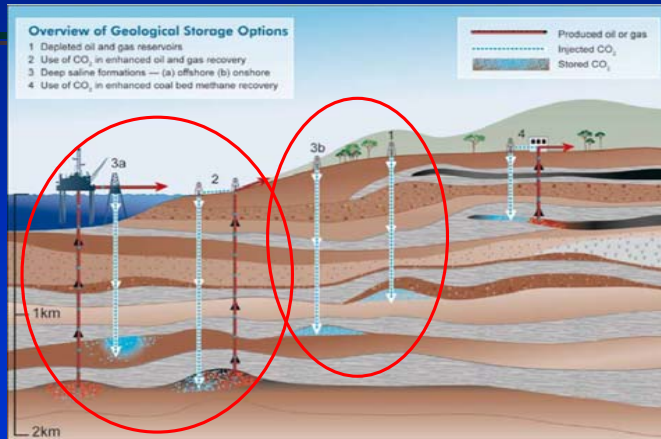
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## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Options for Power Plants: Oxy-Combustion Capture



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## Geological Storage Options



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## Status of CCS Technology

- Pre- and post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies are commercial and widely used in industrial processes; also at several gas-fired and coal-fired power plants, at small scale (~40 MW); CO<sub>2</sub> capture efficiencies are typically 85-90%. Oxyfuel capture is still under development.
- CO<sub>2</sub> transport via pipelines is a mature technology.
- Geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub> is commercial on a limited basis, mainly for EOR; several projects in deep saline formations are operating at scales of ~1 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>/yr.
- Large-scale integration of CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transport and geological sequestration has been demonstrated at several industrial sites (outside the U.S.) — but not yet at an electric power plant at full-scale.

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## Examples of Pre-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Systems



Petoche Gasification to Produce H<sub>2</sub>  
(Coffeyville, Kansas, USA)

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Coal Gasification to Produce SNG  
(Beulah, North Dakota, USA)

(Source: Dakota Gasification)

## Pre-Combustion Capture at IGCC Plants



Puertollano IGCC Plant  
(Spain)

Source: Eucoro, 2007

*Pilot plants under construction at two IGCC plants (startup expected in late 2010)*



Buggenum IGCC Plant  
(The Netherlands)

Source: Nuon, 2009

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## Post-Combustion Technology for Industrial CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

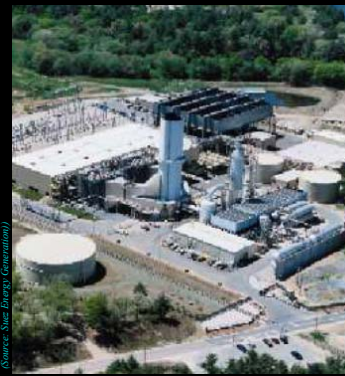


BP Natural Gas Processing Plant  
(In Salah, Algeria)

Source: IEA GHG, 2008

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## Post-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture at a Gas-Fired Power Plant



Source: Suez Energy (Germany)



Source: Plant Digital

Bellingham Cogeneration Plant  
(Bellingham, Massachusetts, USA)

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## Post-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture at Coal-Fired Power Plants



Source: IBB (Germany)

Shady Point Power Plant  
(Panama, Oklahoma, USA)

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Source: IEA GHG

Warrior Run Power Plant  
(Cumberland, Maryland, USA)

## Oxy-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture from a Coal-Fired Boiler



Source: Vattenfall, 2008



30 MW<sub>e</sub> Pilot Plant (~10 MW<sub>c</sub>)  
at Vattenfall Schwarze Pumpe Station  
(Germany)

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## CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines in the Western U.S.

> 3000 miles of pipeline  
~40 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr transported



Source: USDOE/Battelle

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Source: NRDC

## Large-Scale CCS Projects

Project	Operator	Geological Reservoir	Injection Start Date	Injection Rate (MtCO <sub>2</sub> /yr)
Sleipner (Norway)	StatoilHydro	Saline Formation	1996	1.0
Weyburn (Canada)	EnCana	Oil Field (EOR)	2000	1.2*
In Salah (Algeria)	Sonatrach, BP, StatoilHydro	Depleted Gas Field	2004	1.2
Snohvit (Norway)	StatoilHydro	Saline Formation	2008	0.7

\* Average rate over 15 year contract. Recent expansion to ~3 Mt/yr for Weyburn + Midale field.

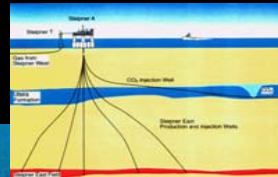
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## Geological Storage of Captured CO<sub>2</sub> in a Deep Saline Formation



### Sleipner Project (Norway)

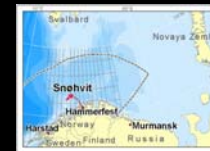
Source: Statoil



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### Snohvit LNG Project (Norway)



Source: www.Snohvit, 2009



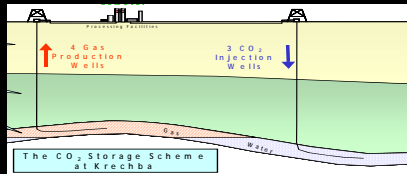
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# Geological Storage of Captured CO<sub>2</sub> in a Depleted Gas Formation

In Salah /Krechba (Algeria)



Source: BP



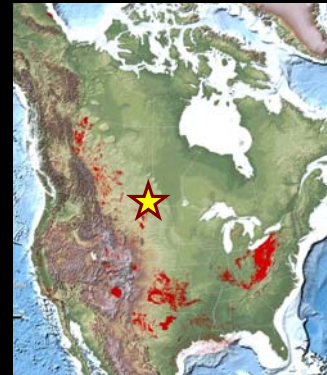
The CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Scheme at Krechba

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# Geological Formations in North America

Oil & Gas Fields

Deep Saline Formations



Source: NETL, 2009



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# Geological Storage of Captured CO<sub>2</sub> with Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)



Weyburn Field, Canada



Sources: IEAGHG, NRDC, USDOE

Dakota Coal Gasification Plant, ND



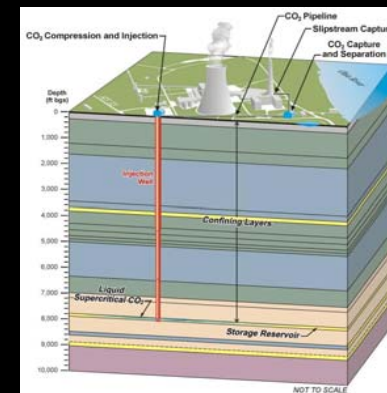
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# CCS at a Coal-Fired Power Plant with Storage in a Deep Saline Formation

(Pilot plant scale)



20 MW capture unit at AEP's Mountaineer Power Plant (West Virginia)



Source: AEP, 2009

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## Still Missing

- Full-scale power plant demo #1
- Full-scale power plant demo #2
- Full-scale power plant demo #3
- Full-scale power plant demo #4
- Full-scale power plant demo #5
- Full-scale power plant demo #6
- Full-scale power plant demo #7
- Full-scale power plant demo #8
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- Full-scale power plant demo #10

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## Full-Scale Demonstration Projects Are Urgently Needed to . . .

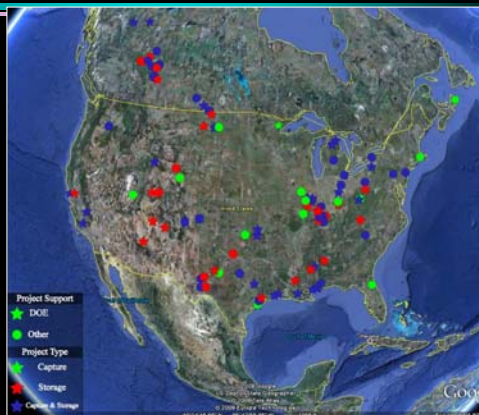
- Establish the **reliability, safety** and true **cost** of CCS in full-scale power plant applications
  - Help resolve legal and regulatory issues regarding geological sequestration
  - Help address issues of public acceptance
  - Begin reducing future costs via learning-by-doing
- Cost per project  $\approx$  \$1 billion (install/operate CCS, 400 MW, 5 yrs)

**Financing large-scale projects has been a major hurdle**

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## Many projects are planned or underway at various scales

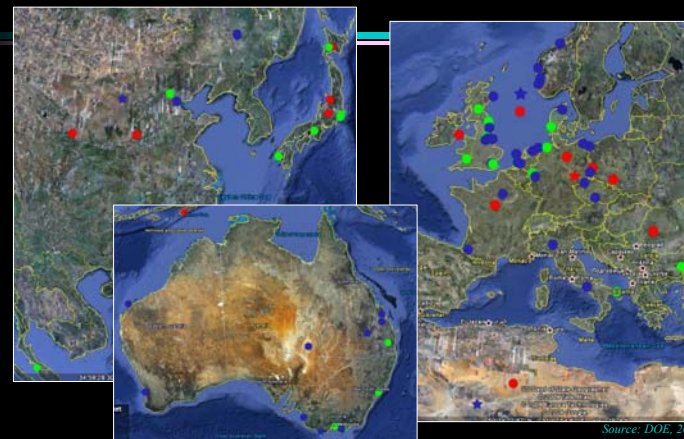
- Map shows **operating plus proposed or planned** projects in the U.S. and Canada. They encompass power plants, industrial sources and research projects spanning a large range of scale.



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Source: DOE, 2009

## Substantial CCS Activity Globally

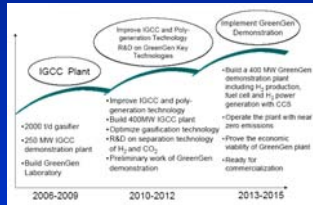


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## One Example: IGCC Demonstration in China

### The GreenGen Project (Tianjin, China)

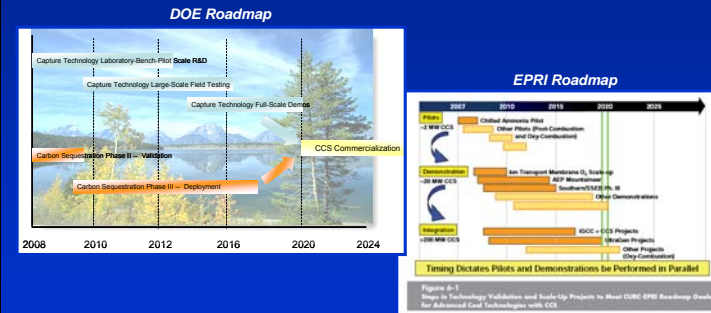


Partners include: China Datang Corp., China State Development and Investment Corp., China Guodian Corp., China Huadian Corp., China Power Investment Corp., China National Coal Group and Shenhua Group, Peabody Energy



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## Roadmaps for CCS Deployment



Commercialization expected by 2020

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## The cost of CCS

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## Many Factors Affect CCS Costs

- Choice of Power Plant and CCS Technology
- Process Design and Operating Variables
- Economic and Financial Parameters
- Choice of System Boundaries; e.g.,
  - One facility vs. multi-plant system (regional, national, global)
  - GHG gases considered (CO<sub>2</sub> only vs. all GHGs)
  - Power plant only vs. partial or complete life cycle
- Time Frame of Interest
  - First-of-a-kind plant vs. *n*<sup>th</sup> plant
  - Current technology vs. future systems
  - Consideration of technological "learning"

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## Common Measures of Cost

- Cost of Electricity (COE) (\$/MWh)
 
$$= \frac{(TCC)(FCF) + FOM}{(CF)(8760)(MW)} + VOM + (HR)(FC)$$
- Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Avoided (\$/ton CO<sub>2</sub> avoided)
 
$$= \frac{(\$ / MWh)_{ccs} - (\$ / MWh)_{reference}}{(CO_2 / MWh)_{ref} - (CO_2 / MWh)_{ccs}}$$

Also: - Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Captured (\$/ton CO<sub>2</sub> captured)  
 - Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Reduced/Abated (\$/ton CO<sub>2</sub> abated)

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## Ten Ways to Reduce Estimated Cost

(inspired by D. Letterman)

10. Assume high power plant efficiency
  9. Assume high-quality fuel properties
  8. Assume low fuel cost
  7. Assume EOR credits for CO<sub>2</sub> storage
  6. Omit certain capital costs
  5. Report \$/ton CO<sub>2</sub> based on short tons
  4. Assume long plant lifetime
  3. Assume low interest rate (discount rate)
  2. Assume high plant utilization (capacity factor)
  1. Assume **all of the above !**
- ... and we have not yet considered the CCS technology!

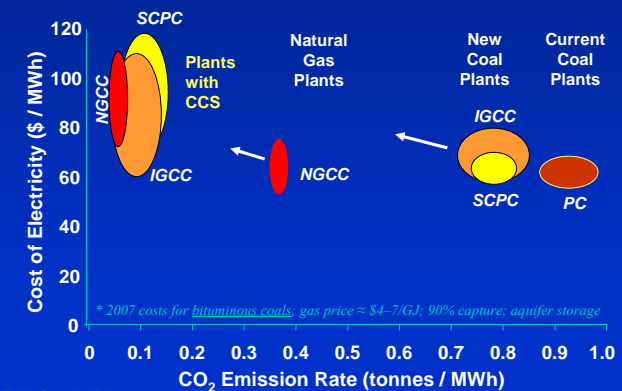
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## Sources of Recent Cost Estimates

- IPCC, 2005: Special Report on CCS
- Rubin, et.al, 2007: *Energy Policy* paper
- EPRI, 2007: Report No. 1014223
- DOE, 2007: Report DOE/NETL-2007/1281
- EPRI, 2008: Report No. 1018329
- DOE, 2009: Pgh Coal Conference Presentation
- DOE, 2010: Low-Rank Coal Study (forthcoming)

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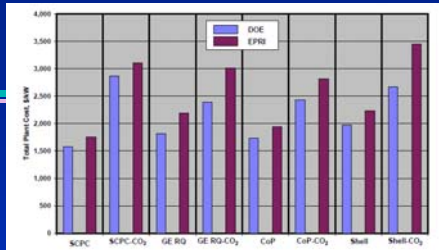
## Estimated Cost of New Power Plants with and without CCS



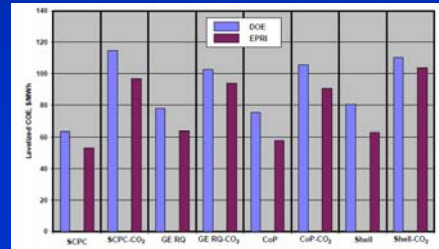
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## DOE vs. EPRI

- EPRI's capital costs (\$/kW) are higher than DOE's
- EPRI's levelized costs of electricity (\$/MWh) are lower than DOE's



Source: EPRI, 2007



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## Incremental Cost of CCS for New Power Plants Using Current Technology

Increase in levelized cost for 90% capture

Incremental Cost of CCS <i>relative to same plant type without CCS based on bituminous coals</i>	Supercritical Pulverized Coal Plant	Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Plant
Increases in capital cost (\$/kW) and generation cost (\$/kWh)	~ 60–80%	~ 30–50%

The added cost to consumers due to CCS will be much smaller, reflecting the number and type of CCS plants in the generation mix at any given time.

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## Typical Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Avoided

(Relative to a SCPC reference plant; bituminous coals)

Levelized cost in US\$ per tonne CO<sub>2</sub> avoided

Power Plant System (relative to a SCPC plant without CCS)	New Supercritical Pulverized Coal Plant	New Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle Plant
Deep aquifer storage	~ \$70 /tCO <sub>2</sub> ±\$15/t	~ \$50 /tCO <sub>2</sub> ±\$10/t
Enhanced oil recovery (EOR) storage	Cost reduced by ~ \$20–30 /tCO <sub>2</sub>	

Source: Based on IPCC, 2005; Rubin et al. 2007; DOE, 2007

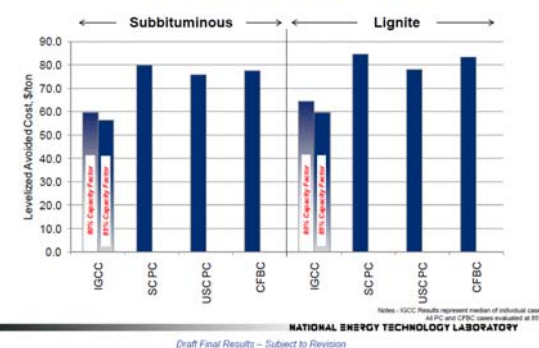
- Capture accounts for most (~80%) of the total cost

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## DOE Cost Results for Low-Rank Coals at Western Power Plants

### Avoided Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

Includes Owners Costs



Draft Final Results - Subject to Revision

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Source: NREL, 2009

## High capture energy requirements is a major factor in high CCS costs

Power Plant Type	Added fuel input (%) per net kWh output
Existing subcritical PC	~40%
New supercritical PC	25-30%
New coal gasification (IGCC)	15-20%
New natural gas (NGCC)	~15%

*Changes in plant efficiency due to CCS energy requirements also affect plant-level pollutant emission rates (per MWh). A site-specific context is needed to evaluate the net impacts.*

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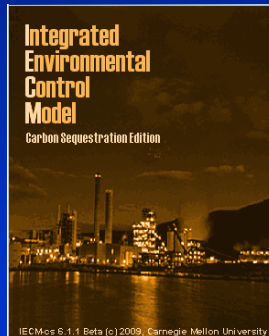
## Breakdown of “Energy Penalty” for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture (SCPC and IGCC)

Component	Approx. % of Total Reqmt
Thermal Energy	~60%
CO <sub>2</sub> Compression	~30%
Pumps, Fans, etc.	~10%

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## Analyzing Options for Power Plants (IECM: The Integrated Environmental Control Model)

- A desktop/laptop computer model developed for DOE/NETL; free and publicly available at: [www.iecm-online.com](http://www.iecm-online.com)
- Provides systematic estimates of performance, emissions, costs and uncertainties for preliminary design of:
  - PC, IGCC and NGCC plants
  - All flue/fuel gas treatment systems
  - CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage options (pre- and post-combustion, oxy-combustion; transport, storage)
  - Major updates in late 2009 & 2010



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*The cost of CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage*

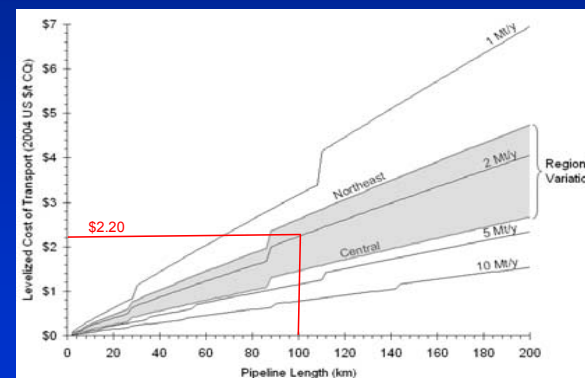
## Pipeline Cost Model

- Multi-variate regression models based on data from 236 on-shore natural gas pipelines constructed in the U.S. from 1994 to 2003
  - Capital cost model is linear in pipe diameter, logarithmic in pipe length; reported in \$2004.
- Separate models for 6 regions
- Cost breakdowns for:
  - Materials
  - Labor
  - Eng'g, Overheads, AFUDC
  - Right-of-way



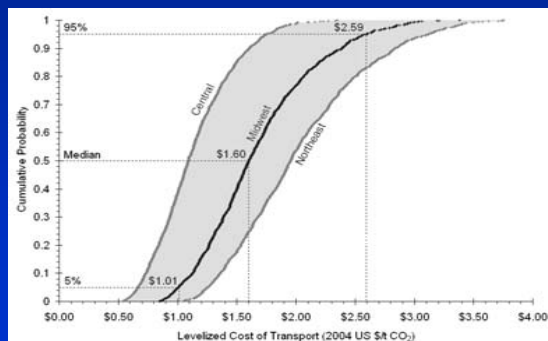
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## Levelized Cost of Transport: Deterministic Results



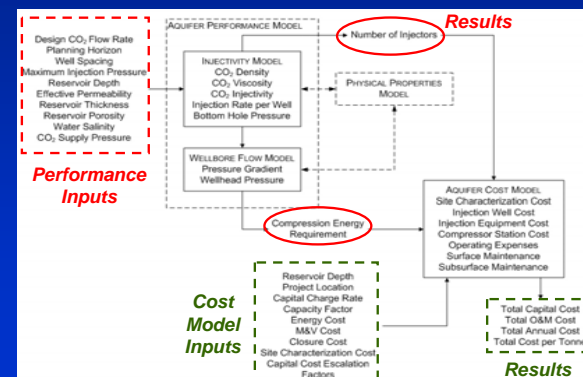
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## Levelized Cost of Transport: Probabilistic Results



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## Saline Formation Storage Model



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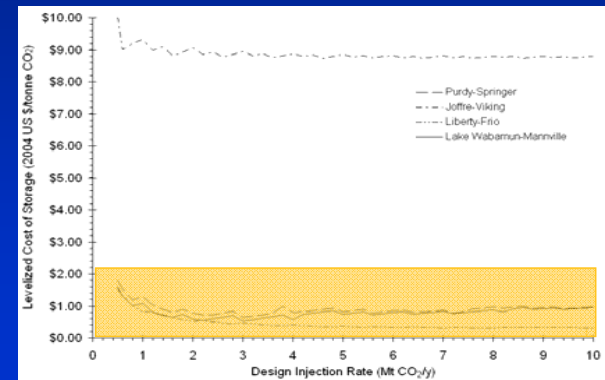
## Illustrative Case Studies

- Data from 4 sites, with  $kh$  values from 4,500 to 940,000 md·ft
- Capital recovery factor =15% for all cases

Parameter	Northeast Purdy Unit	Joffre-Viking Pool	South Liberty	Lake Wabamun Area
Location	Oklahoma	Alberta	Texas	Alberta
Reservoir	Purdy Springer A	Viking Aquifer	Frio Formation	Mannville Aquifer
Lithology	Sandstone	Sandstone	Sandstone	Sandstone
Depth (m)	2,499	1,500	1,850	1,514
Permeability, $k$ (md)	44	507	944	23
Net Sand, $h$ (m)	91	30	300	59

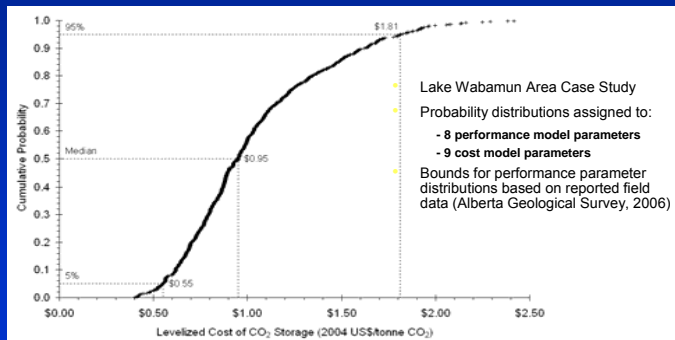
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## Levelized Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage



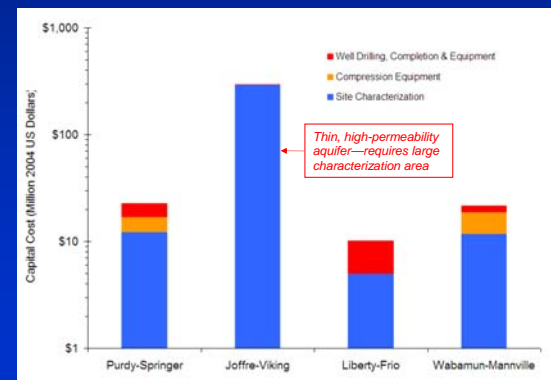
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## Levelized Cost of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage: Probabilistic Results



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## Capital Cost Breakdown



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## Full details in technical reports & papers (available from IECM website)

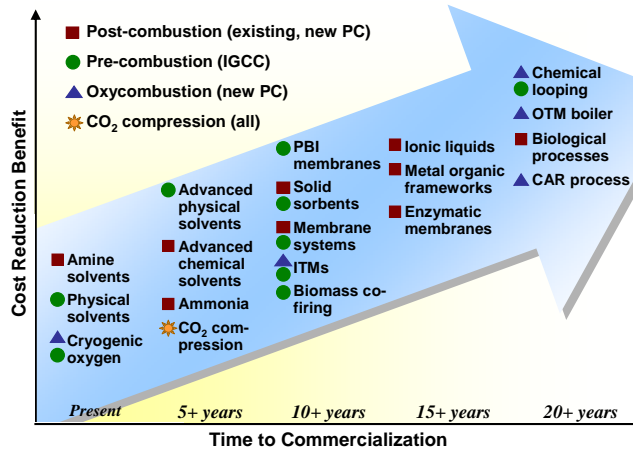


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## What is the potential for lower-cost capture technology?

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## Better Capture Technologies Are Emerging



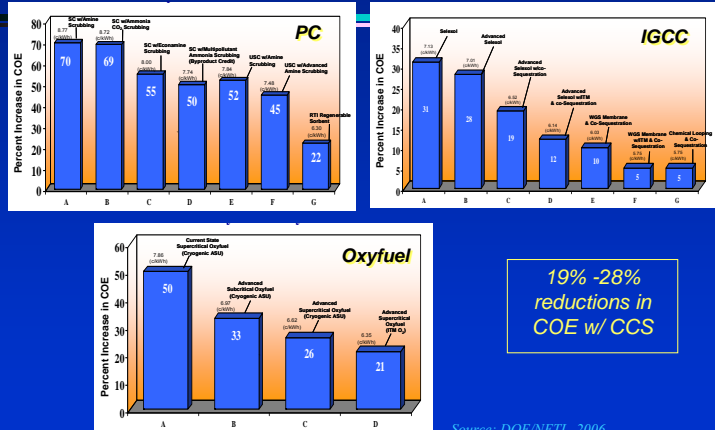
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## Two Approaches to Estimating Potential Cost Savings

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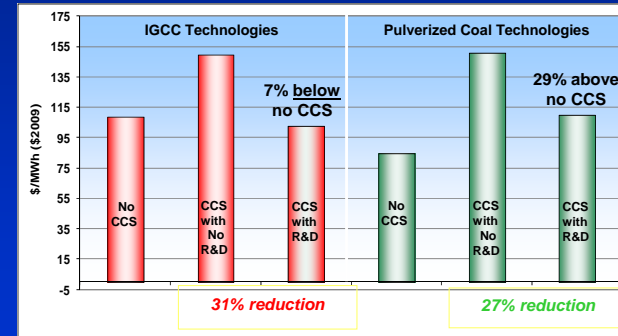
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## Potential Cost Reductions Based on Engineering-Economic Analysis



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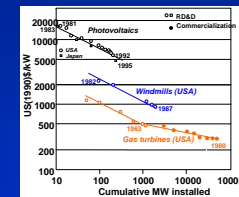
## Two Approaches to Estimating Future Technology Costs

- Method 1: Engineering-Economic Analysis**
  - A “bottom up” approach based on engineering process models, informed by judgments regarding potential improvements in key process parameters
- Method 2: Use of Historical Experience Curves**
  - A “top down” approach based on applications of mathematical “learning curves” or “experience curves” that reflect historical trends for analogous technologies or systems

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## Empirical “Learning Curves”

- Cost trends modeled as a log-linear relationship between unit cost and cumulative production or capacity:  $y = ax^{-b}$

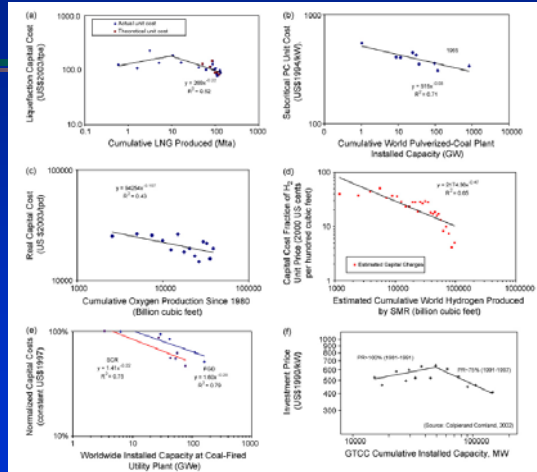


- Case studies used for power plant components:
  - Flue gas desulfurization systems (FGD)
  - Selective catalytic reduction systems (SCR)
  - Gas turbine combined cycle system (GTCC)
  - Pulverized coal-fired boilers (PC)
  - Liquefied natural gas plants (LNG)
  - Oxygen production plants (ASU)
  - Hydrogen production plants (SMR)

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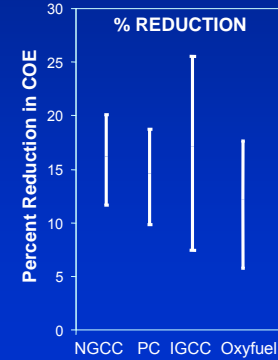
## Experience Curves for Case Study Technologies



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## Potential Cost Reductions Based on Learning Curve Analysis \*

(after 100 GW of cumulative CCS capacity worldwide)



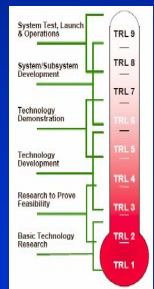
- Upper bound of projected cost reduction are similar to estimates from DOE's "bottom-up" analyses

\* Plant-level learning curves developed from component-level analyses for each system

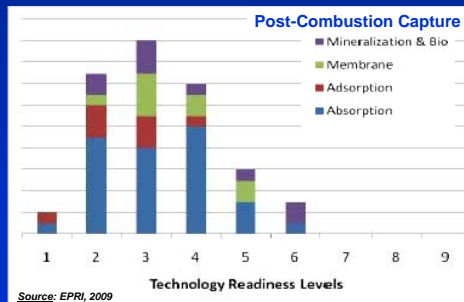
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## Most New Capture Concepts Are Far from Commercial Availability

### Technology Readiness Levels



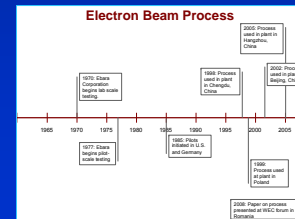
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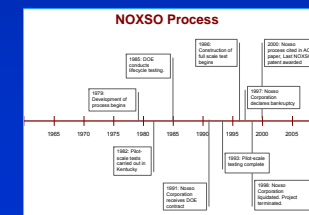
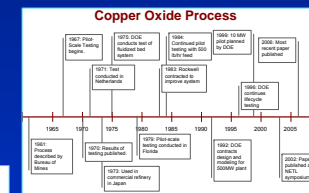
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## Most new concepts take decades to commercialize...many never make it

Development timelines for three novel processes for combined  $SO_2-NO_x$  capture

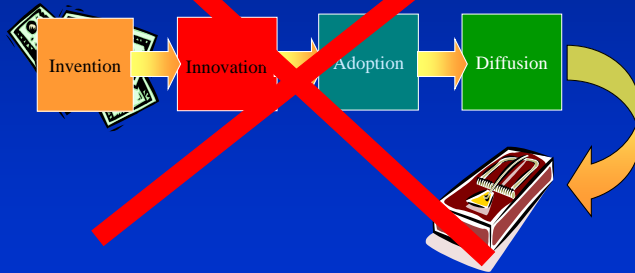


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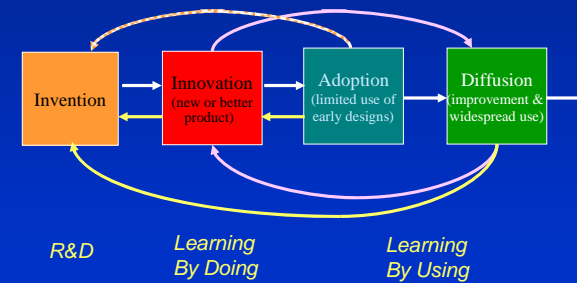
## Challenge 1: Accelerate the Pace of Innovation

### The Linear Model of Technological Change



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## A More Realistic Model



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## Accelerating Innovation Requires

- Closer coupling and interaction between R&D performers and technology developers /users
- Better methods to identify promising options, evaluate new processes /concepts, and reduce number and size of pilot and demonstration projects (e.g., via improved simulation methods)
- New models for organizing the research enterprise
- Substantial and sustained support for R&D

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## The Critical Role of Policy

- The pace and direction of innovations in carbon capture will be strongly influenced by climate policy—which is critical for establishing **markets** for CCS technologies

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## Conclusions

- Significant potential to reduce the cost of carbon capture via:
  - New or improved CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies
  - Improved plant efficiency and utilization
- But must also build and operate some full-size plants with current technology....
- And enact policies that create and foster markets for CCS technologies

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