

ELEGANCy

Enabling a Low-Carbon Economy via Hydrogen and CCS

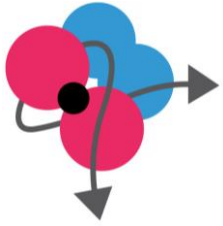
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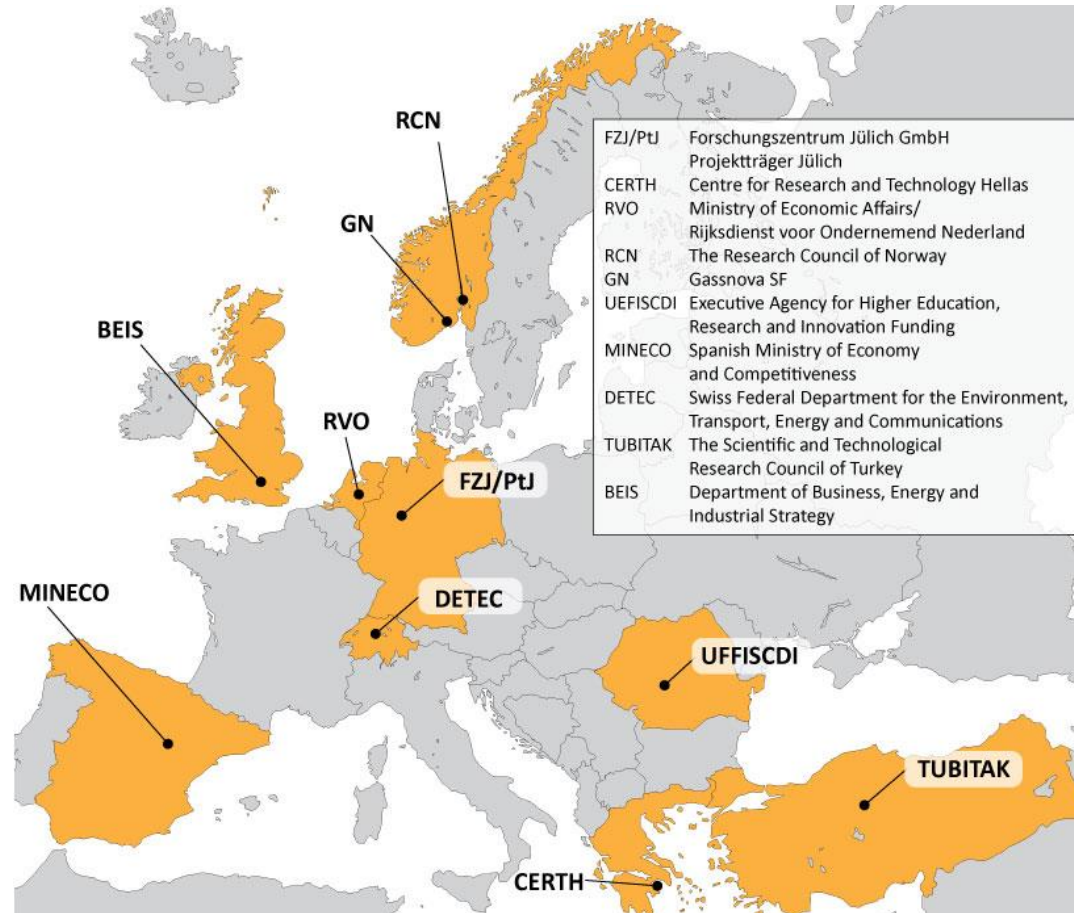
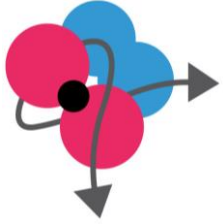
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Outline of presentation

- ELEGANCY
 - Aim
 - Approach
 - Some details
 - Status

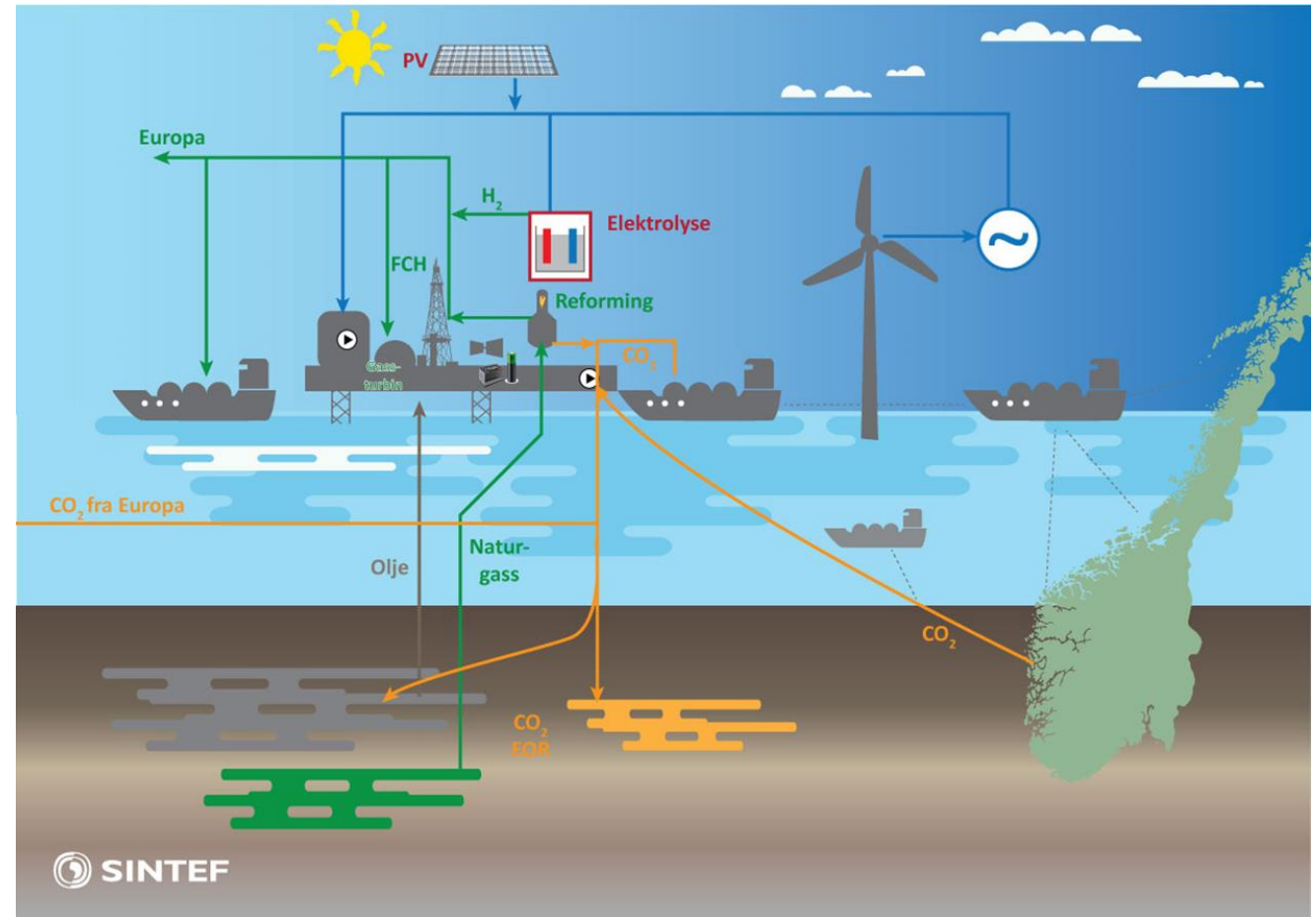
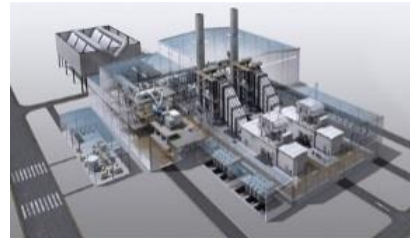
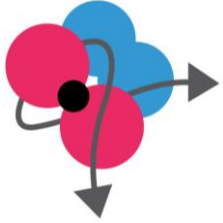


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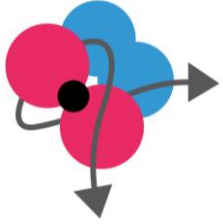


- Accelerating CCS Technologies
- H2020
- Ten partners from nine countries
- Led by The Research Council of Norway
- First call budget: 41 MEUR

ELEGANCY – context



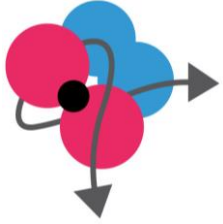
- The low-carbon economy needs H_2
- The low carbon economy needs CCS
- Combining hydrogen with CCS offers an exciting opportunity for synergies and value creation
- ELEGANCY aims at contributing to fast-track the decarbonization of the European energy system



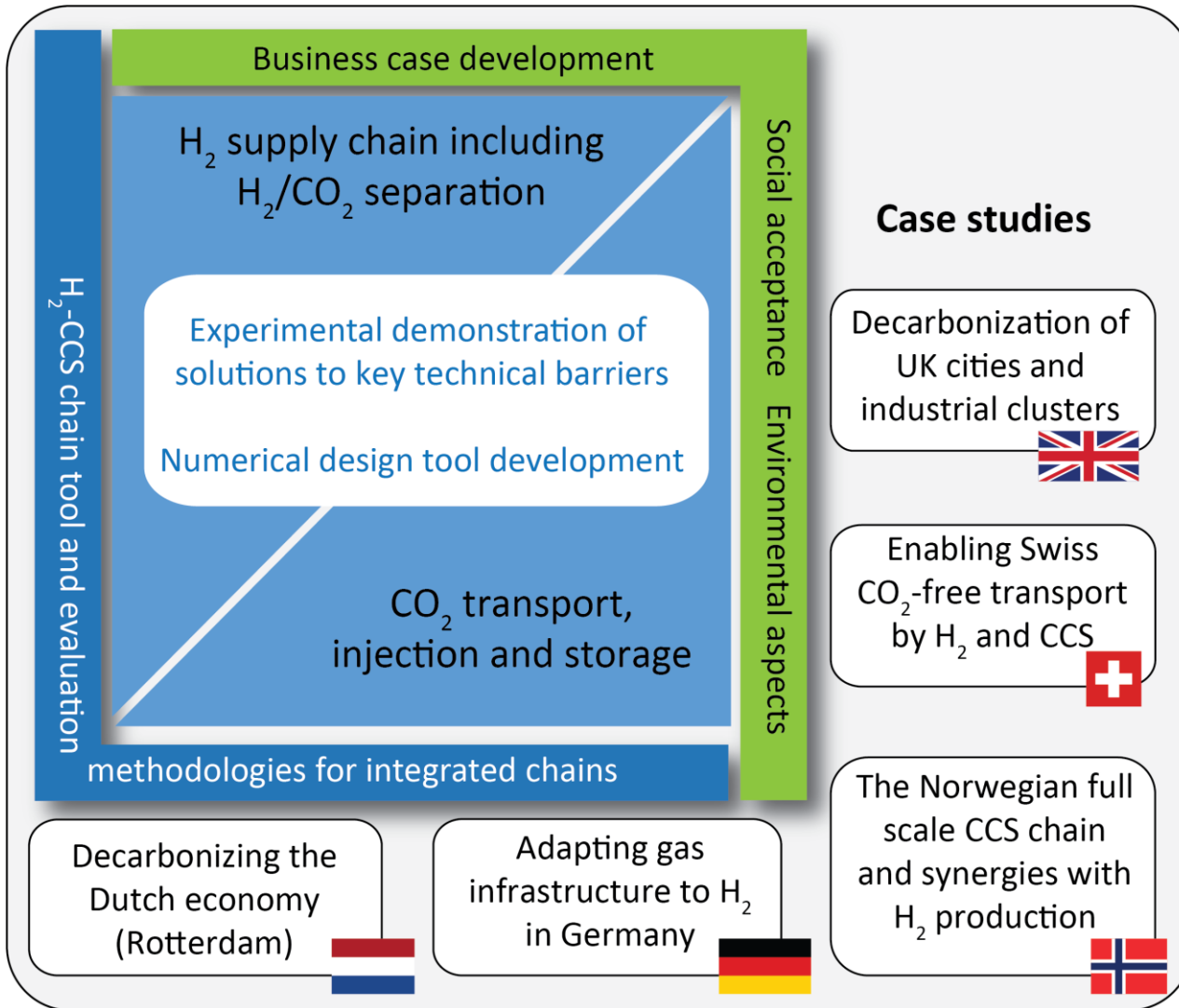
ELEGANCY – objectives

Fast-track the decarbonization of Europe's energy system by exploiting the synergies between two key low-carbon technologies: CCS and H₂. To this end, **ELEGANCY will:**

- Develop and demonstrate effective CCS technologies with high industrial relevance
- Identify and promote business opportunities for industrial CCS enabled by H₂ as a key energy carrier by performing 5 national case studies
- Validate key elements of the CCS chain by frontier pilot- and laboratory-scale experiments using inter alia ECCSEL and EPOS research infrastructure
- Optimize combined systems for H₂ production and H₂-CO₂ separation
- De-risk storage of CO₂ from H₂ production by providing experimental data and validated models
- Develop simulators enabling safe, cost-efficient design and operation of key elements of the CCS chain
- Provide an open source techno-economic design and operation simulation tool for the full CCS chain, including H₂ as energy carrier
- Assess societal support of key elements of CCS



ELEGANCY – key information



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Imperial College London

INEOS

Scottish Enterprise

ETH zürich

CLIMEWORKS

firstclimate

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SINTEF

GASSCO

- Duration: 2017-08-31 to 2020-08-31.
- Budget: 15 599 kEUR

ECN

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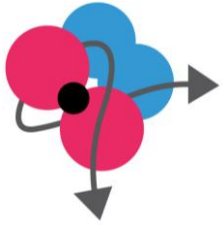
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UiO: University of Oslo

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ELEGANCY – work packages



Case studies incl. social acceptance, environmental aspects and CCS-H₂ market considerations:
UK (large-scale decarbonization), Netherlands (Rotterdam decarbonization), Norway (full scale CCS chain and H₂ production), Switzerland (decarbonization of transport sector), Germany (adapting gas infrastructure and processes to H₂)

WP5

H₂-CCS chain tool and evaluation methodologies for integrated chains: (ICL, SINTEF, PSI, RUB, TNO)

WP4

Business case development: (UiO, FirstClimate, SDL)

WP3

H₂ supply chain including H₂/CO₂ separation

WP1

- H₂ from natural gas (ETH, PSI)
- H₂ from other sources (ECN)
- Characterization of CO₂-CO-H₂ mixtures (RUB)

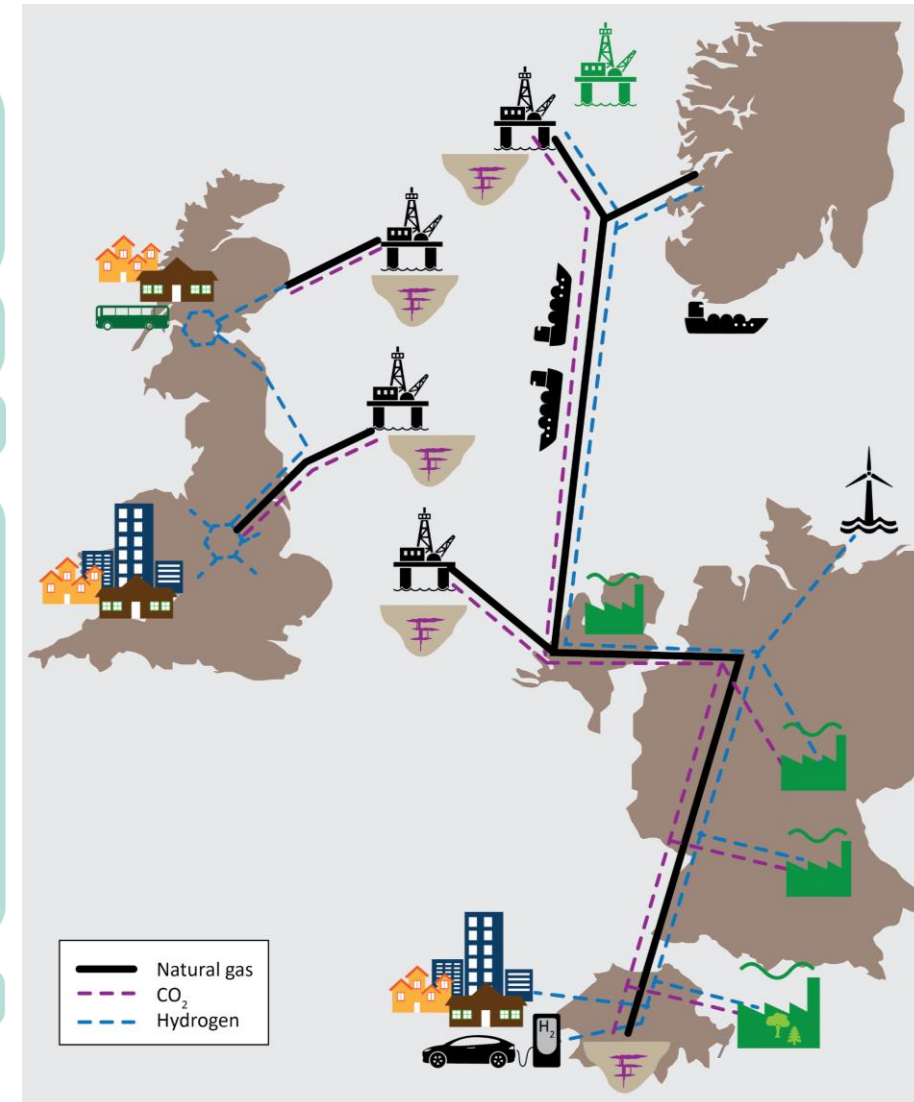
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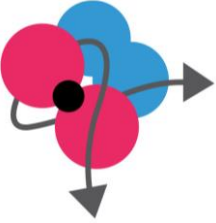
WP2

- CO₂-brine model (RUB, ICL)
- CO₂ transport-injection interface (SINTEF)
- Storage-site characterization and selection (ICL)
- Mt. Terri decametre scale experiment (ETH)
- Impact of H₂ in the CO₂ stream on storage (BGS)
- De-risking storage

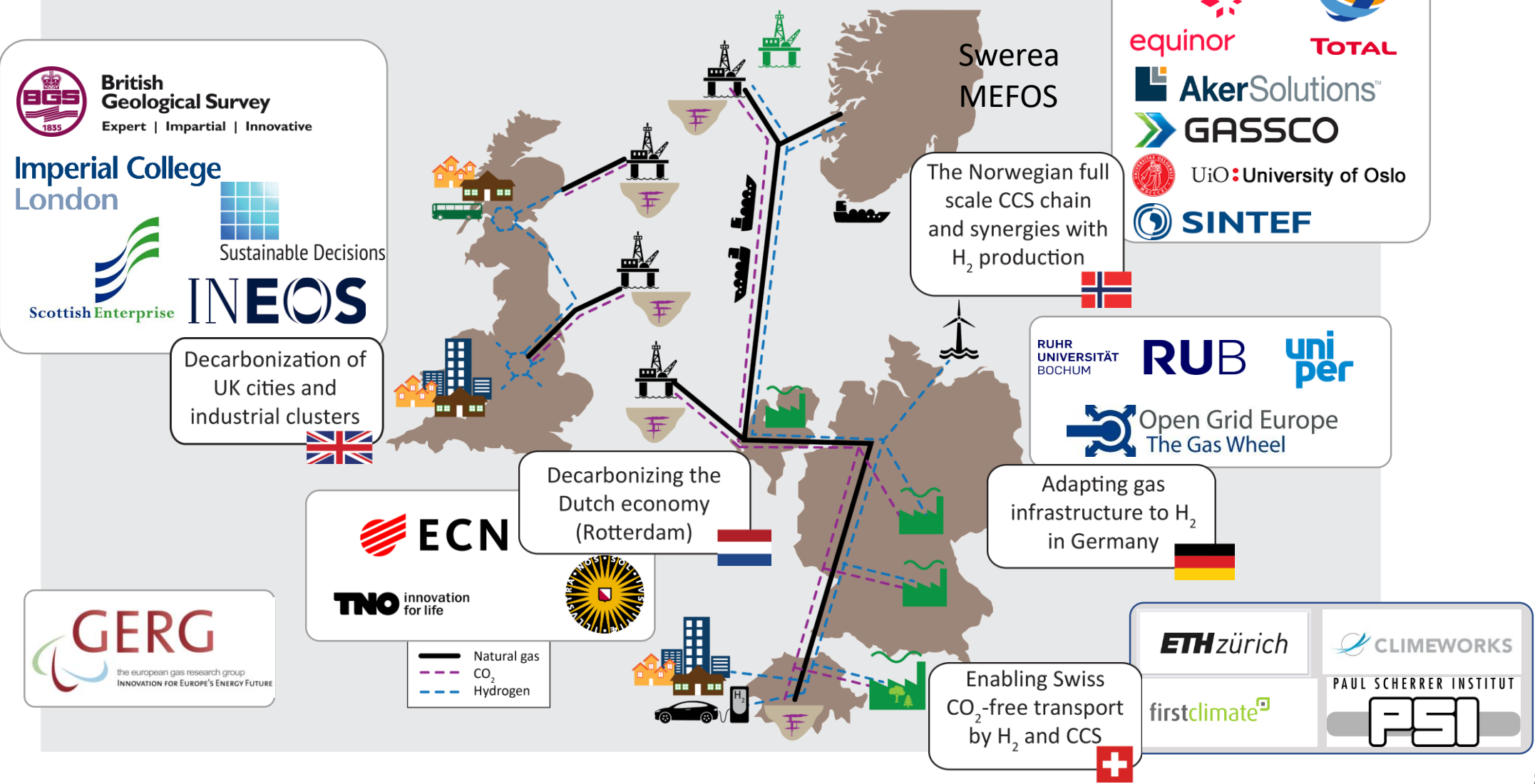
ELEGANCY project management, network building and dissemination (SINTEF)

WP6



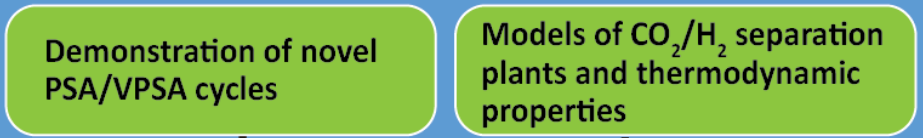


ELEGANCY – Case studies



H₂ supply chain and H₂-CO₂ separation

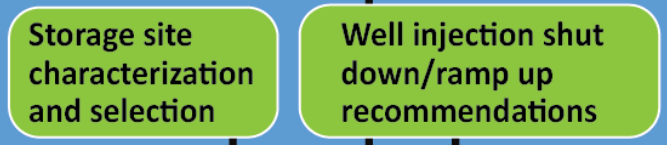
WP1



- Technologies for more efficient H₂/CO₂ separation
- Optimal plant design for H₂ production from (bio)NG and industrial off-gases
- Optimization of H₂ supply chain for centralized and decentralized applications
- Accurate thermodynamic properties for H₂ with CO₂, CO and CH₄

CO₂ transport, injection and storage

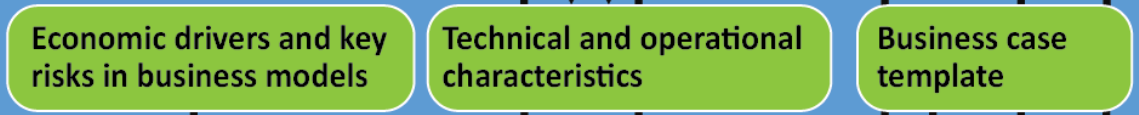
WP2



- Tools for design and operation of CO₂ pipelines and injection wells
- Improved methods and methodologies for site characterization, risk assessment, mitigation strategies and monitoring of seismic and aseismic processes
- Increased knowledge on microbial reaction processes supported by H₂ impurities and thermodynamic properties of CH₄-rich mixtures with CO/H₂ in contact with brines

Business case development

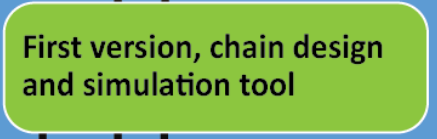
WP3



- Regulatory, fiscal and macro-economic background for each case study
- Business risk matrix
- Business models and commercial structures for case studies

H₂-CCS chain tool and evaluation methodologies for integrated chains

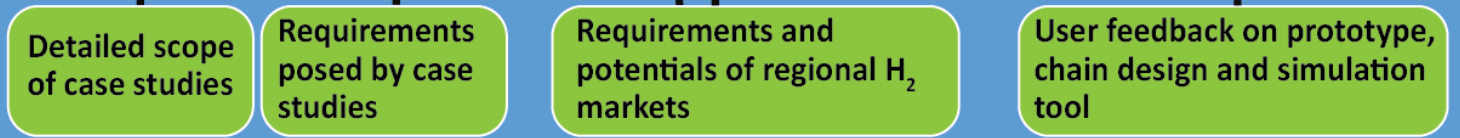
WP4



- Open source based design and operational toolkit for H₂-CCS systems in Europe
- Design mode: time evolution of system design
- Operational mode: dynamic behaviour of designed system

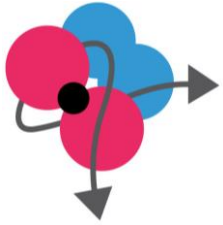
Case studies

WP5

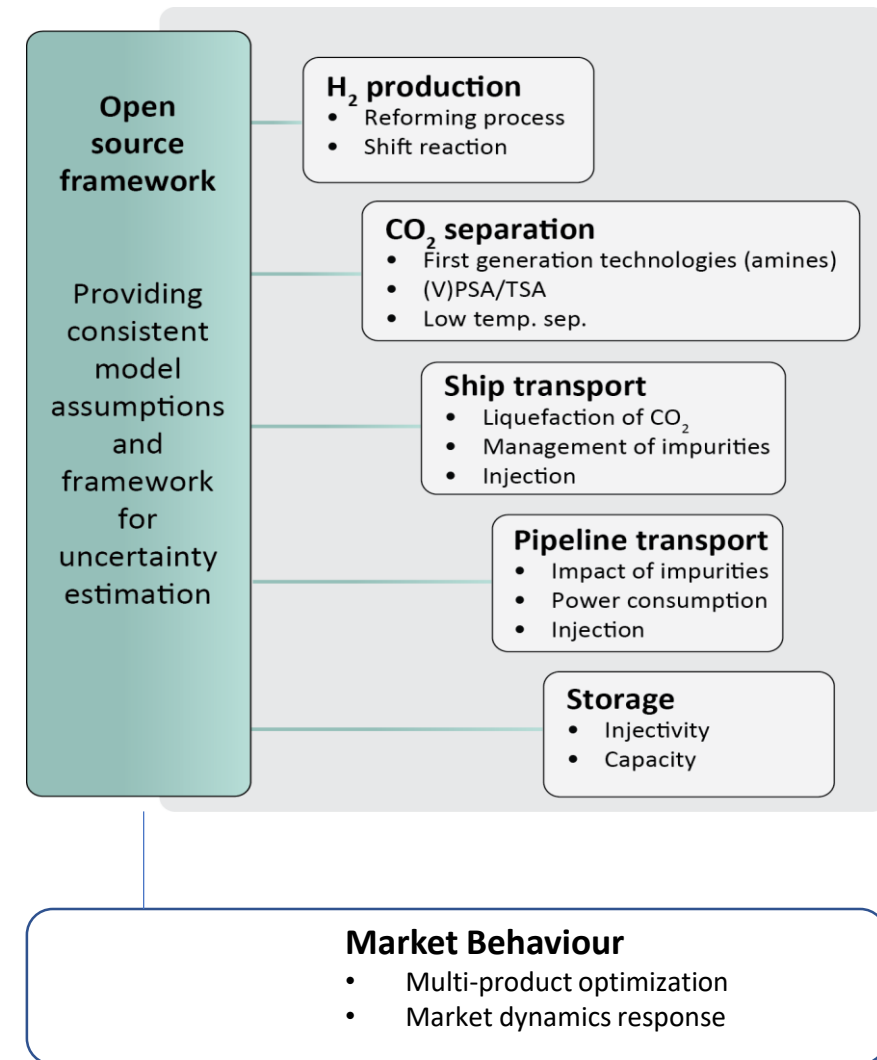


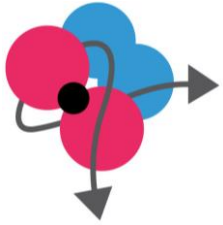
- Transition pathways to national H₂-CCS systems through adaption of technological and business case solutions, use of design and operational toolkit, and investigation of social acceptance and life cycle emissions

H₂-CCS chain tool and evaluation methodologies for integrated chains



- Open-source framework
 - More widespread use
 - More dynamic
- ‘Open’ or ‘closed’ modules
- Stationary design mode
- Dynamic operation mode
- Multi-scale models for the chain components

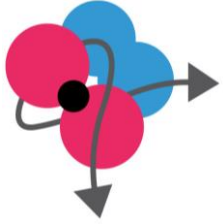




World-class research infrastructure

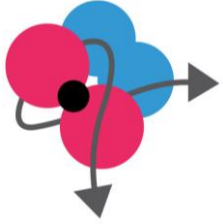
Description	Scale	Partner
Adsorption infrastructure (ECCSEL)	Lab-scale	ETH
Cycling adsorbent analyser	Lab-scale	ECN
Single- and multi-column reactive PSA/TSA equipment	Pre-pilot, TRL 5	ECN
Equipment for measurements of density, speed of sound and dielectric permittivity	Lab-scale	RUB
Vertical flow facility	Pilot-scale	SINTEF
Pipe and vessel depressurization (ECCSEL)	Lab-scale	SINTEF
Core-flooding laboratory	Lab-scale	ICL
Batch-reactor for mineral-dissolution kinetics	Lab-scale	ICL
Equipment for measurements of CO ₂ -brine-mineral contact angle, interfacial tension and phase behaviour	Lab-scale	ICL
Hydrothermal laboratory (ECCSEL)	Lab-scale	BGS
Geo-microbiology laboratory (ECCSEL)	Lab-scale	BGS
Rock deformation laboratory (ECCSEL)	Lab-scale	SCCER
Micro-seismic monitoring arrays	Lab-scale	SCCER
Mt. Terri research rock laboratory (EPOS)	Pilot-scale	SCCER

WP1: H₂ supply chain and H₂-CO₂ separation



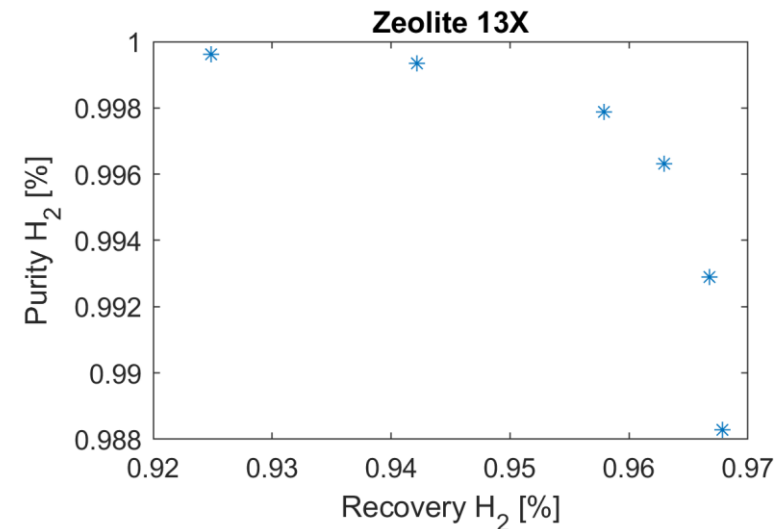
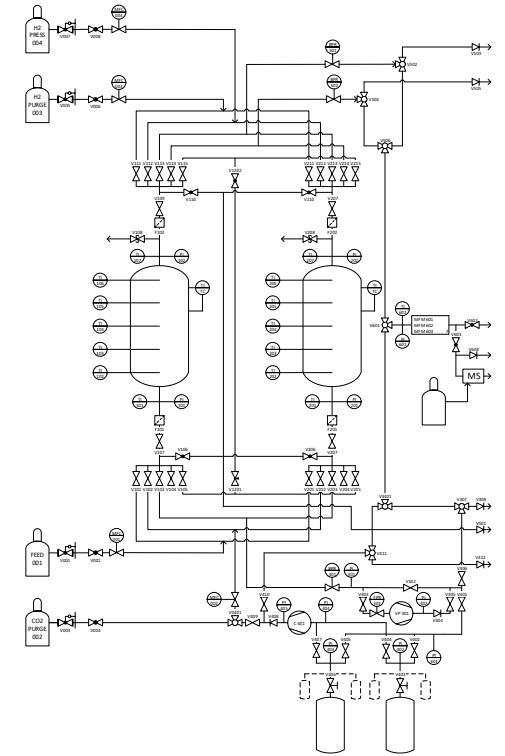
- **ETH**, PSI, ECN, MEFOS, RUB, UU
- Enable efficient H₂ production and CO₂ capture at different plant sizes.
- Find ways to increase the efficiency and productivity of natural gas/biogas reforming and CO₂/H₂ separation independently of the plant size.
- Integrate H₂ production and CO₂ capture with significant industrial processes such as steel production
- Characterize the properties of H₂ mixed with CO₂, CO, and CH₄.
- The research spans the range from the phenomenon level (RUB) via lab-scale experiments (ETH and ECN) to the pre-pilot scale (ECN).

WP1 achievements

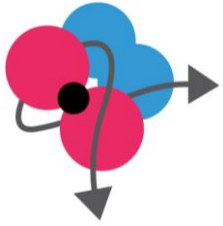


- Major achievements

- VPSA test plant design finalized (picture right)
- Optimised VPSA cycles developed for H₂/CO₂/N₂ mixture
- First results VPSA cycles for SMR syngas (picture below)



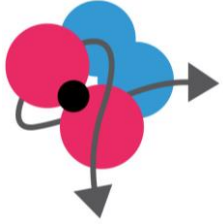
max. PUR_{H_2} & REC_{H_2} subject to $PUR_{CO_2} > 95\%$ & $REC_{CO_2} > 90\%$



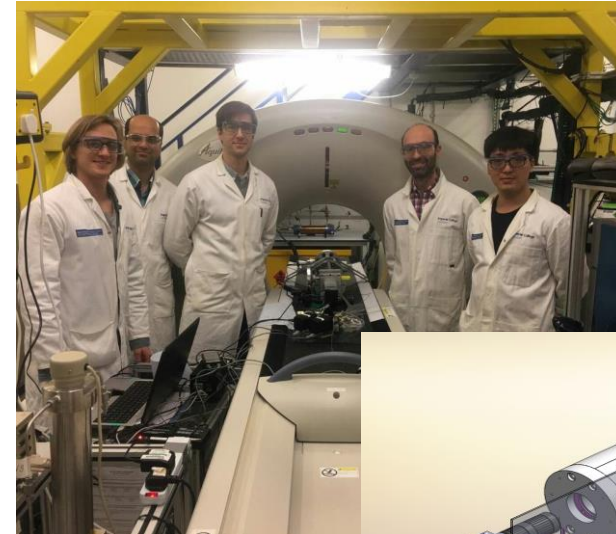
WP2: CO₂ transport, injection and storage

- **SINTEF**, BGS, SCCER, ICL, RUB – *De-risk storage*.
- Develop an accurate property model for CO₂-brine in the presence of impurities.
- Mature and validate tools for the safe, efficient and cost-effective design and operation of CO₂ pipelines and injection wells.
- Perform petrophysical chemical analyses for the characterization and selection of storage sites in Switzerland.
- Design and perform decameter-scale experiments at the Mt Terri research rock laboratory.
- Reduce uncertainties in injection, storage and monitoring of CO₂ produced by NG reforming for H₂ production.

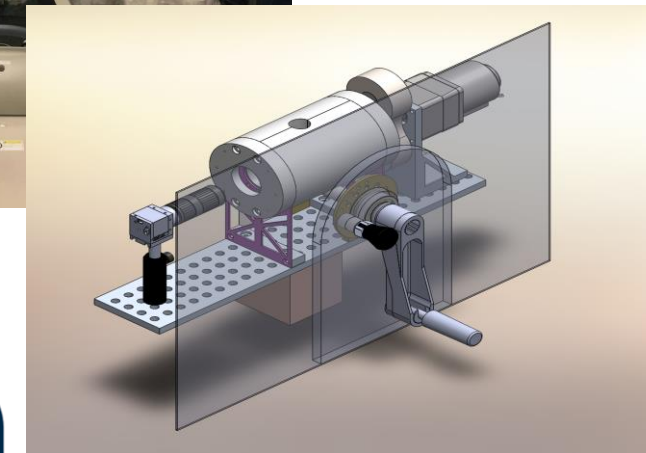
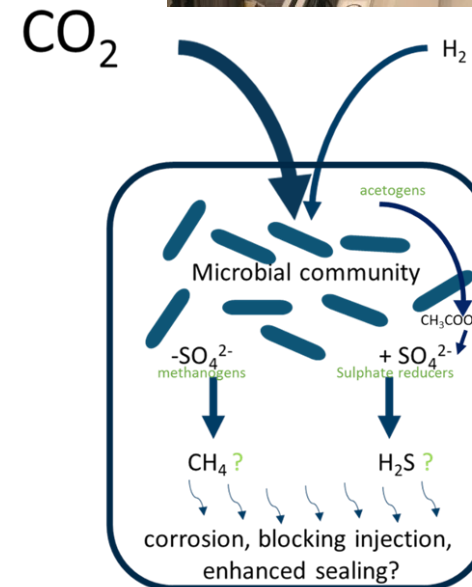
WP2 achievements



- Rock samples from the Mt Terri field site have been selected (D2.3.1)
- Core-holder for reactive transport experiments (ICL) has been commissioned and first experiment have been carried out
- Progress on design and construction of the apparatus for measuring hydrogen solubility in brines (ICL, far right)
- Modelling CO₂-brine properties has started (RUB)
- Literature review on response of microbes to H₂ in subsurface environments soon complete (BGS, right)



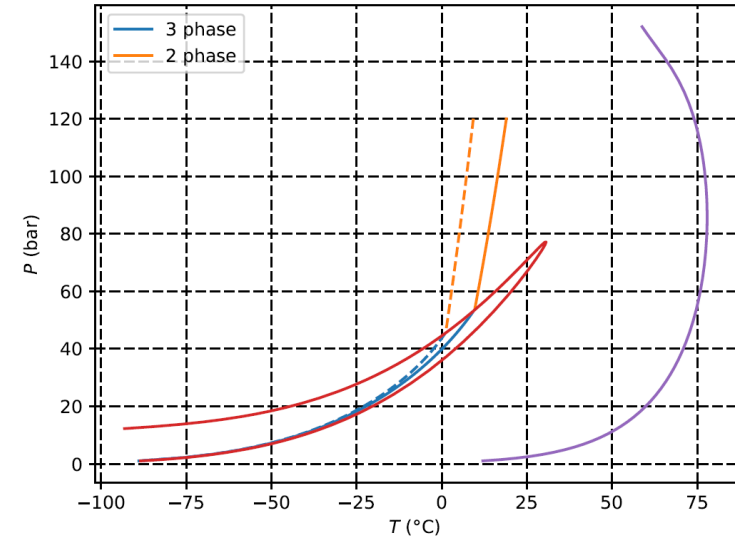
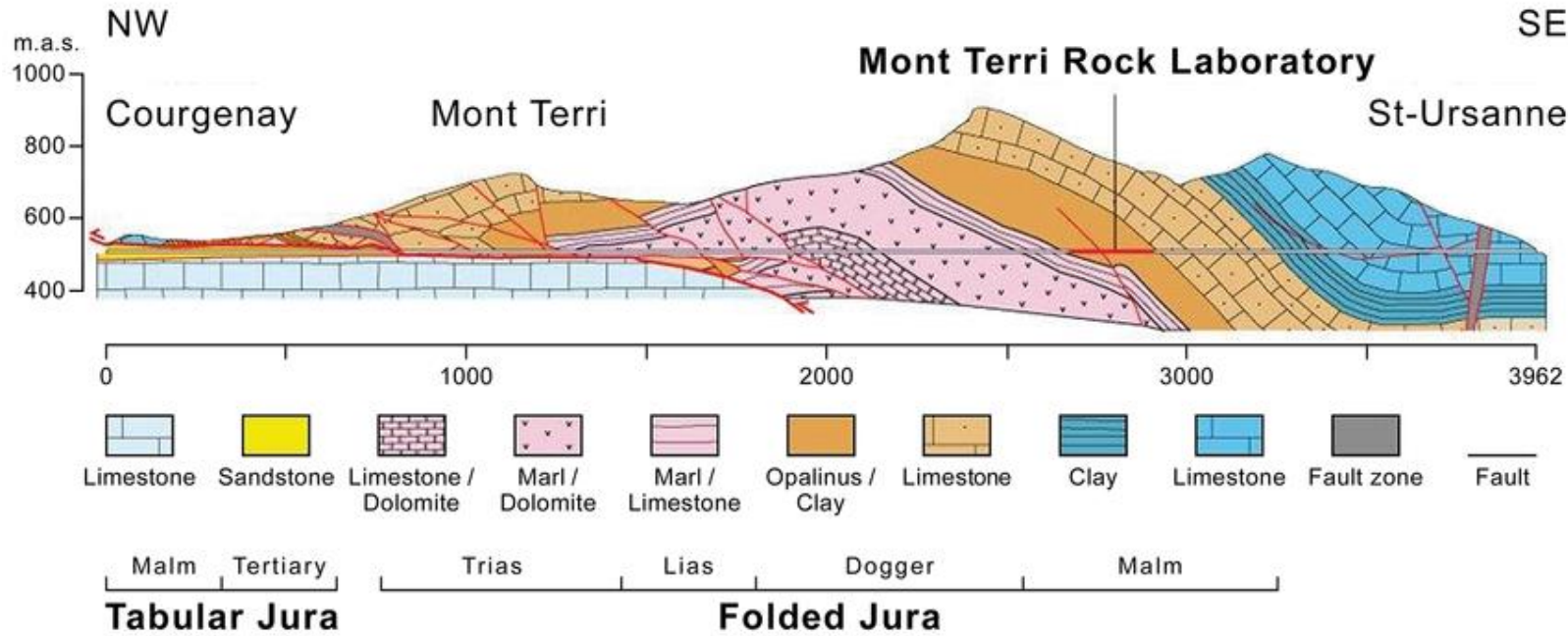
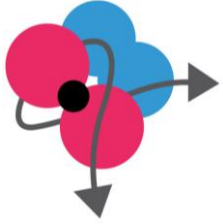
First experiment at ICL in collaboration with ETHZ (SCCER)



Conceptual diagram of key microbial reactions in CO₂ environment with low levels of hydrogen

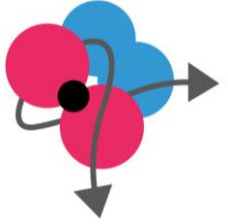
WP2 achievements

- Progress on multiphase flash calculations (SINTEF, right)
- Planning of boreholes geometry and instrumentation for the Mt Terri experiments is (almost) completed (SCCER, below)



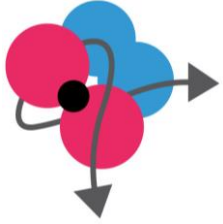
Above: Isentropic decompression of a mixture of 95% CO₂, 2% N₂ and 3% H₂O from 120 bar and 10 and 20 °C. A state with one gas and two liquid phases occurs.

WP3: Business case development for H₂-CCS integrated chains



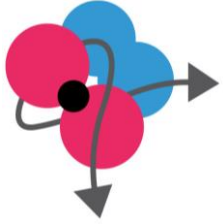
- UiO, SDL, FC
- Assess the regulatory background, identify barriers, mitigation strategies and opportunities for H₂-CCS.
- Assess the macro-economic, market and fiscal background to identify plausible business models.
- Develop business models and business case templates for use in the WP5 case studies.

WP3 achievements



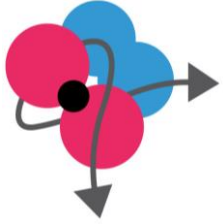
- New partner and WP3 leader approved (UiO);
- Submission of Deliberables and preparation of forthcoming ones;
- Workshop (combined) 9 March 2018.

WP4: H₂-CCS chain tool and evaluation methodologies for integrated chains

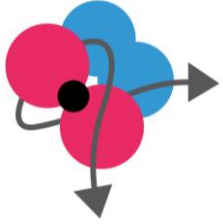


- **ICL, SINTEF, PSI, RUB, TNO**
- Enable the evaluation of integrated H₂-CCS chains with respect to technological and economic efficiency, operability and environmental impact
- Develop an open-source systems modelling framework with a steady-state design mode and a dynamic operational mode.
- Develop multiscale models and an integrated modelling approach for the chain components incorporating results from WP1 and WP2.
- Apply the methodology in conjunction with the case studies in WP5 with respect to (i) the potential time evolution of the system and (ii) integrated assessments of proposed designs.

WP4 achievements



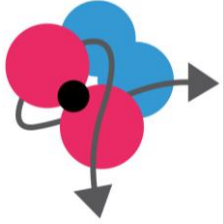
- Major achievements (since last Board meeting)
 - Completion of specification documents
 - Very early prototype of design tool
 - Key chain components identified
 - Continuing discussions with WP5
 - Good teamwork between members




WP5: Case studies

- **SINTEF**, BGS, TNO, UU, ECN, RUB, PSI, ICL, SDL, ETH, SCCER, CW, FC, INEOS, SE, AKSO, GERG
- Develop a roadmap for decarbonizing the Rotterdam industry
- Decarbonize the Swiss transport sector and prepare the way for a Swiss CO₂ storage site
- Support the UK H21 roadmap
- Decarbonize German natural gas as an energy carrier
- Evaluate the benefit of converting Norway's NG resources to H₂ with CCS

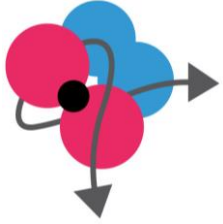
WP5 achievements



- Established an overview of regional requirements and potentials of H₂ markets
- Established the use industrial user group for port Rotterdam (NL)
- Established an overview of regional requirements and potentials of H₂ markets for H21 Leeds City Gate (UK)
- In collaboration with ALIGN-CCUS (ACT project), established a ‘baseline’ of CO₂ storage for low-carbon industrial growth in UK
- Scenario definition for H₂/CCS in the Swiss case study including in/out exercise to determine system boundaries (CH)
- Framework for comprehensive and consistent environmental evaluation of transport technologies based on LCA developed and implemented for passenger vehicles (CH)
- The first assessment (technical, economic, law, social acceptance) of options for a decarbonized gas infrastructure in Germany is completed, and is used as a basis to develop the German infrastructure scenarios
- Identified scenarios for H₂ utilization and CCS synergies with the full scale project in the Norwegian Case Study

The image depicts a futuristic, high-speed train or light rail system. The tracks are illuminated with bright white and blue lights, creating a sense of motion and speed. The background is dark, with blurred streaks of light in various colors (white, blue, yellow, green, red) suggesting a fast-moving environment. The overall aesthetic is sleek and modern, emphasizing advanced technology and rapid transit.

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