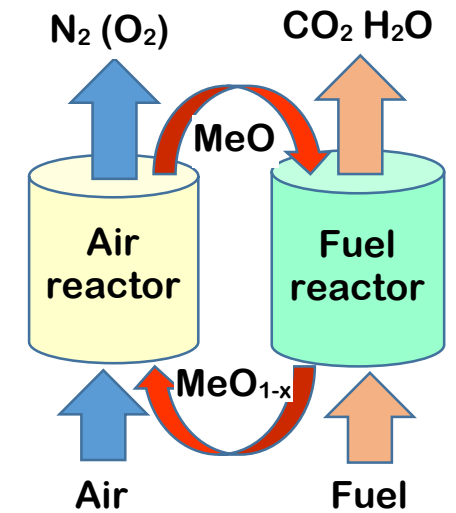




Chemical-Looping Combustion (CLC) of Solid Fuels (SF-CLC)

A Discussion of Operational Experiences, Costs, Upscaling Strategies and Negative Emissions (Bio-CLC)

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Negative CO₂

Negative CO₂ Emissions with Chemical-
Looping Combustion of Biomass



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Table 1: Overview hours of chemical-looping operation with different oxygen carrier materials.

Type	Oxygen carrier	Total 2018
Manufactured	NiO	3291
	CuO	1485
	Mn ₃ O ₄	91
	Fe ₂ O ₃	1454
	CoO	178
	Combined oxides	1102
Natural ore or waste material	Fe ore	965
	Ilmenite	1240
	Mn ore	603
	CaSO ₄	75
Total manufactured		7601
Total natural/waste		2883
Total		10484
Publications		181

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Last five years

Type	Oxygen carrier	2014-2018	
Manufactured	NiO	491	13% 4
	CuO	858	23% 1
	Mn ₃ O ₄	0	0%
	Fe ₂ O ₃	377	10%
	CoO	0	0%
	Combined oxides	557	15% 3
Natural ore or waste material	Fe ore	561	15% 2
	Ilmenite	430	12% 6
	Mn ore	455	12% 5
	CaSO ₄	0	0%
Total manufactured		2283	61%
Total natural/waste		1446	39%
Total		3729	
Publications		66	

Table 12. Operation with of 39 CLC combustors , of which 21 solid fuel CLC

Location	Size	Hours of operation	Selected references	First reported
Chalmers	10 kW-GL	1650	[11] [12]	2004
KIER	50 kW	31	[13]	2004
CSIC	10 kW	120	[14]	2006
Chalmers	0.3 kW-GL	1520	[15]	2006
Chalmers	10 kW-SF	309	[16] [17]	2008
CSIC	0.5 kW-GL	1586	[18]	2009
KAIST	1 kW	8	[19]	2009
Vienna UT	140 kW	649	[20]	2009
Alstom, Fr	15 kW	100	[21]	2009
Nanjing	10 kW –SF	260	[22]	2009
KIER	50 kW	300	[23]	2010
Nanjing	1 kW – SF	195	[24] [25]	2010
IFP-Lyon	10 kW-GSF	578	[26] [27]	2010
Stuttgart	10 kW	1	[28]	2010
Xi'an Jiaotong	10 kW- Pr	15	[29]	2010
CSIC	1.5 kW-SF	594	[30]	2011
Chalmers	100 kW – SF	199	[31] [32]	2012
Hamburg	25 kW –SF	65	[33]	2012
Ohio	25 kW –SF	980	[34] [35]	2012
Nanjing	50 kW-Pr	19	[36]	2012
WKentuU	10 kW	24	[37]	2012
Tsinghua	0.2 kW	350	[38]	2013
Alstom, US	3 MW –SF	75	[39]	2014
CSIC	50 kW-SF	54	[40]	2014
Darmstadt	1 MW –GSF	195	[41] [42]	2015
Huazhong	5 kW-GSF	200	[43]	2015
Guangzhou	10 kW-G	62	[44]	2015
Nanjing	25 kW-G	13	[45]	2015
KIER	200 kW	100	[46]	2016
Huazhong	50 kW-SF	8	[47]	2016
Sintef	150 kW	8	[48]	2016
VTT	20 kW-SF	79	[49]	2016
NETL	50 kW	2	[50]	2016
Chalmers	1.4/10 MW	62	[51]	2016
Nanjing	20 kW-SF	70	[52]	2016
Zabrze	10 kW	3	[53]	2017
Vienna UT	80 kW-SF	20	[54]	2018
Tsinghua	30 kW-SF	100	[55]	2018
CSIRO	10 kW-SF	35	[56]	2018

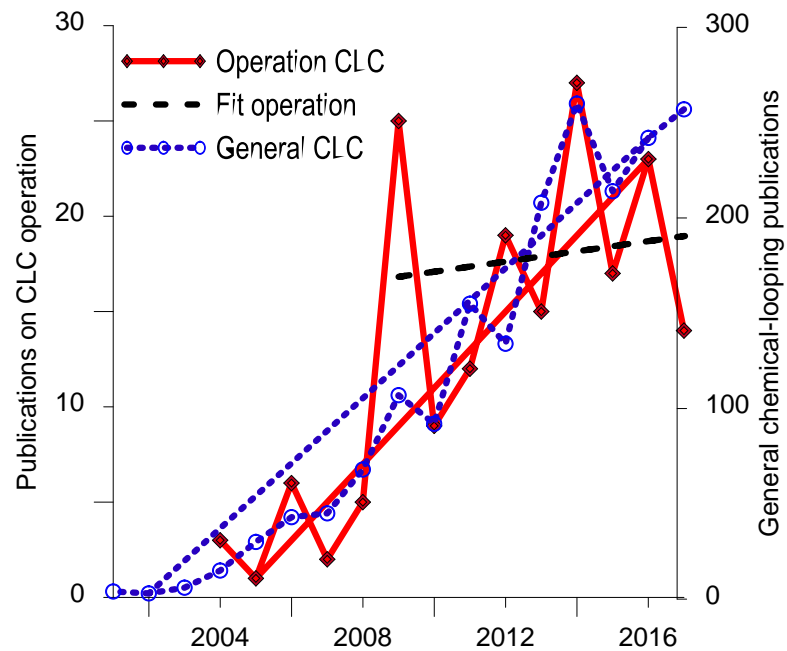
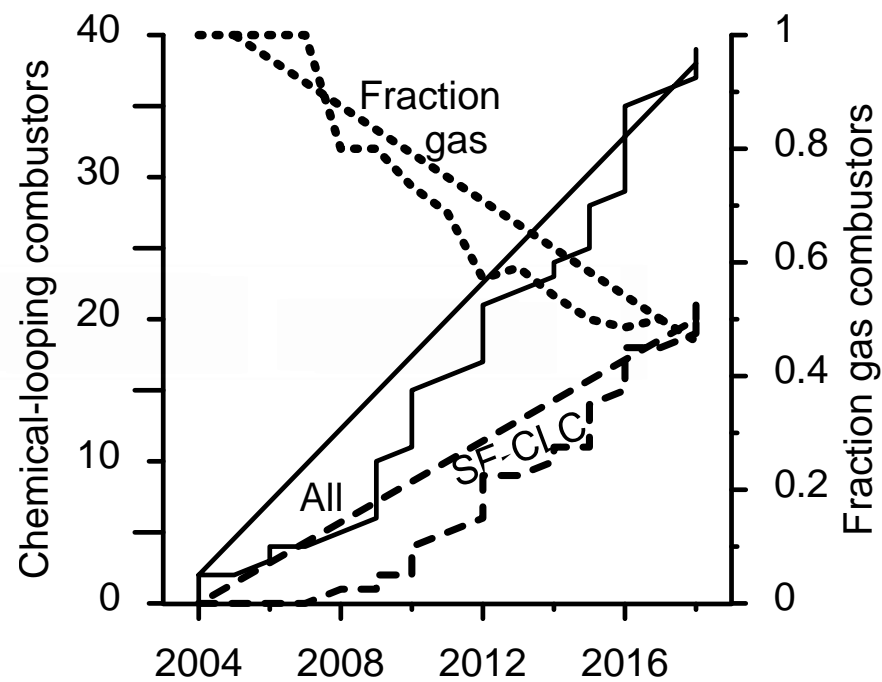


Figure 4. Publications on chemical-looping (Scopus) and CLC operation vs year published.



Figures 5. Number of chemical-looping combustors versus year

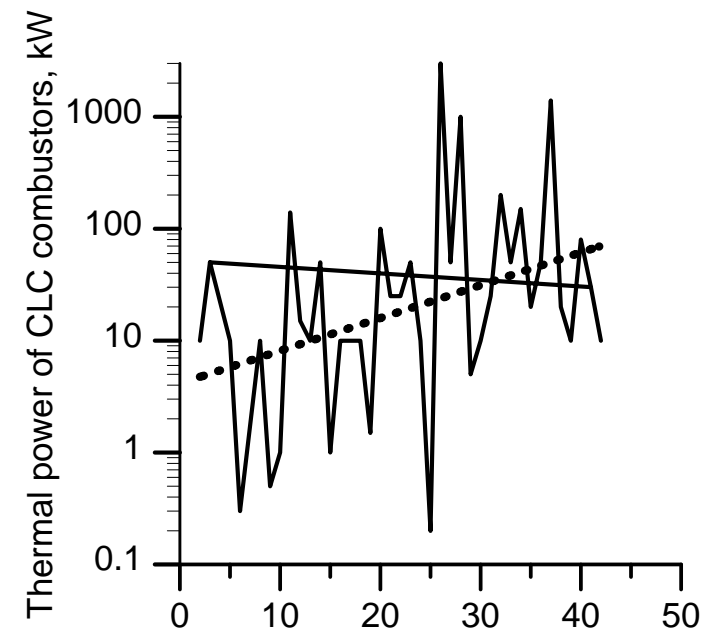


Figure 6. Size of chemical-looping combustors versus consecutive number.

Increased challenges with

- ♪ Larger units
- ♪ Solid fuels
- ♪ Oxygen carriers with more complex composition
 - ♪ natural ores
 - ♪ combined oxides

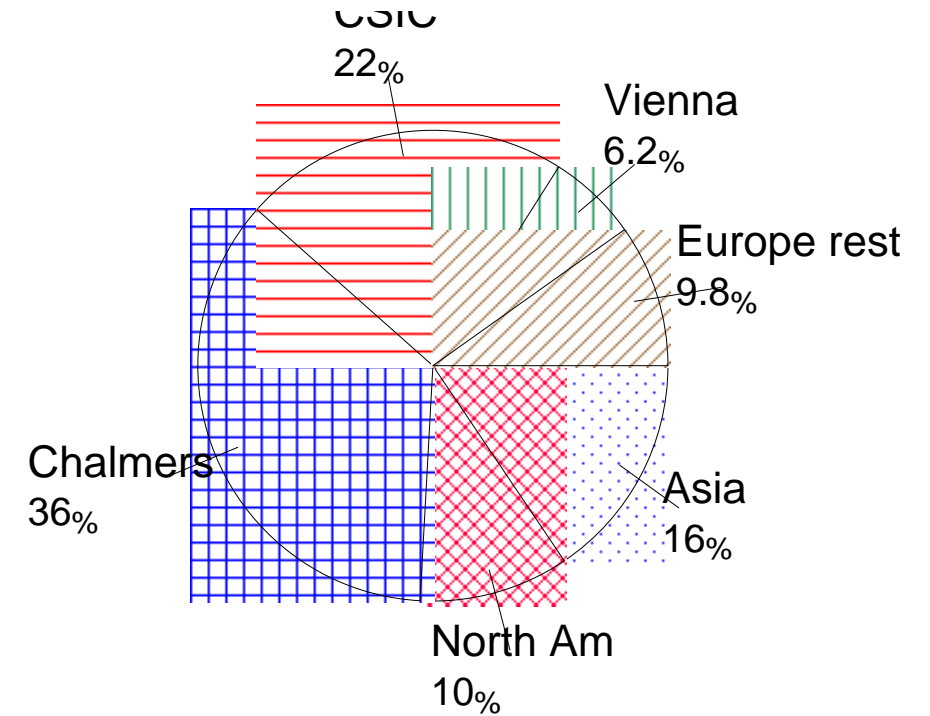


Figure 7. Operation versus location.

Conclusion 1

CLC with solid fuels well proven in small pilot scale

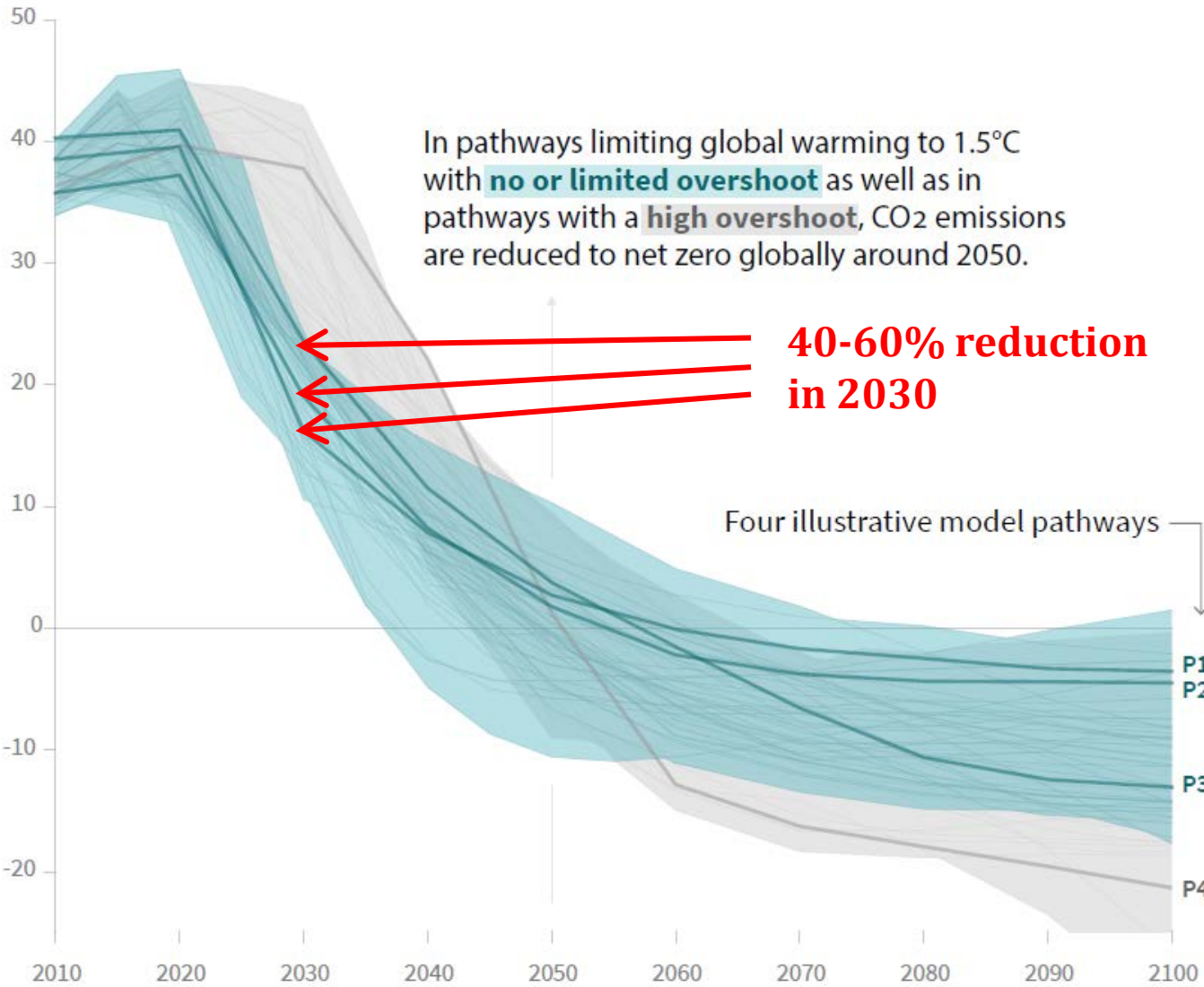
No reason why it shouldn't work in larger scale

But scale-up is large barrier

1.5 degree target

Global total net CO₂ emissions

Billion tonnes of CO₂/yr



Case	Reduction by 2030/2040, %	Negative emissions, Gt
P4	5 / 45	-770
P3	41 / 71	-370
P2	53 / 69	-160
P1	60 / 80	-90

large negative emissions

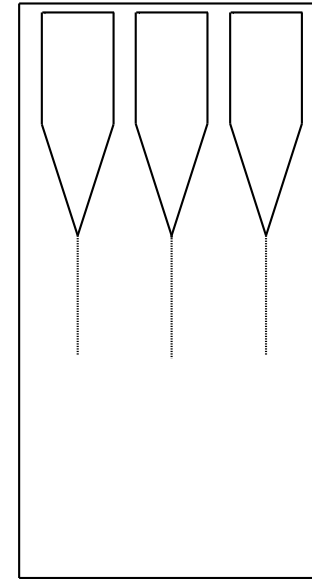
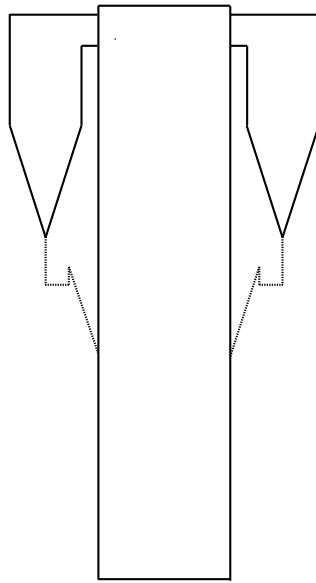
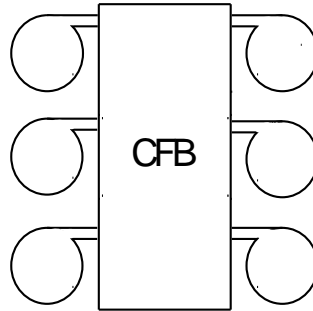
very large negative emissions

Conclusion 2

We need negative emissions

CLC with biomass is of great interest

1000 MW_{th}
CFB boiler
dimensions
11x25.5x48



**Walls of fuel reactor,
cyclones, ducts and
post-oxidation
chamber:**

→ 2500 m²

Cost: 1500 €/m²

**Thus, added cost of
CLC fuel reactor:**

≈ 4 M€

⇒ 0.4 M€/year

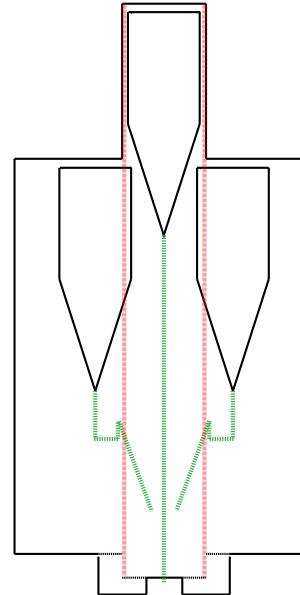
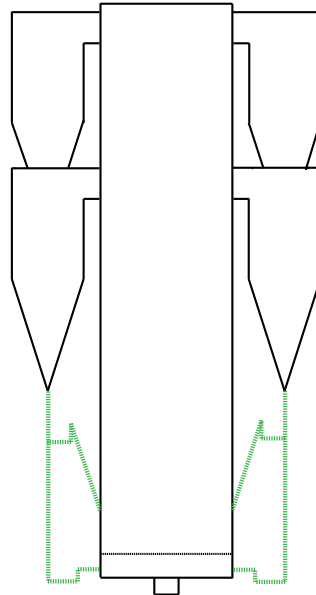
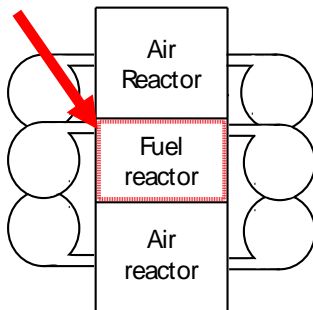
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2 Mton CO₂/year

= 0.2 €/ton CO₂

1000 MW_{th}
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**Added cost:
insulation of
fuel reactor**



Ways to scale-up

•Added cost relative to CFB¹

Type of cost	estimation, €/tonne CO ₂	range, €/tonne CO ₂	Efficiency penalty, %
CO ₂ compression	10	10	3
Oxy-polishing	6.5	4-9	0.5
Boiler cost	1	0.1-2.3	-
Oxygen carrier	2	1.3-4	-
Steam and hot CO ₂ fluidization	0.8	0.8	0.8
Fuel grinding	0.2	0.2	0.1
Lower air ratio	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
Total	20	15.9-25.8	3.9

big cost

small cost

Demonstration without CO₂ capture can significantly reduce costs.

- 1) Verify concept, and potential advantages wrt. alkali and NO_x
- 2) Add CO₂ capture

Conclusions 3

CLC boiler very similar to CFB boiler (=circulating fluidized-bed boiler)

Highly concentrated CO₂ stream can be obtained at small added cost

Major cost likely downstream

CLC can be demonstrated at lower cost w/o capture

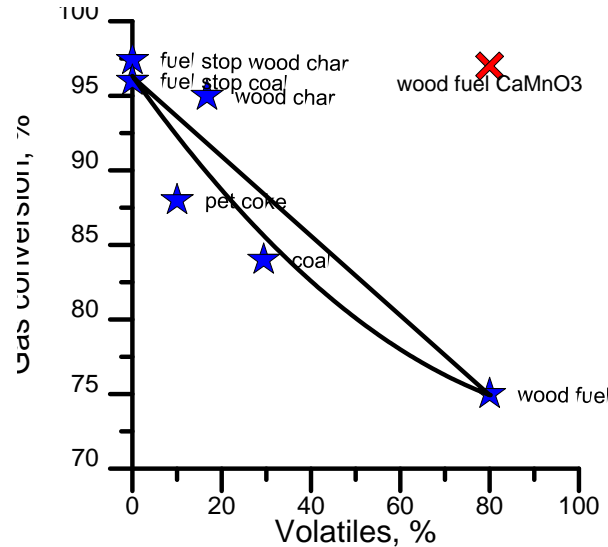
Pilot operational results with crushed biomass pellets

Table 1: Key results from tests in pilot units. Nomenclature: Mn ore = manganese ore, wwp = white wood pellets, bwp = black wood pellets treated by steam explosion provided by Arbaflame, wc = wood char

Unit	Oxygen carrier	Fuel	Fuel power (kW _{th})	Carbon capture rate (%)	Oxygen demand (%)	Fuel reactor temperature (°C)	Time of operation with fuel (h)
VTT 50 kW	Ilmenite (Titania A/S)	wwp, bwp	9 – 22	83 – 96	29 – 41	840 – 863	16
VTT 50 kW	Mn ore (“Sibelco Braunite”)	wwp, bwp, wc	22 – 60	72 – 96	11 – 31	838 – 897	23
Chalmers 100 kW	Mn ore (“Sibelco Calcined”)	wwp, bwp	29 – 67	99	25	940 – 975	7
SINTEF 150 kW	Ilmenite (Titania A/S)	bwp	140	94 – 97	23 – 28	960 – 980	10
Chalmers Research Boiler	Mn ore (“Sibelco Calcined”)	wwp	2400	NA	≈ 40	810 – 830	500

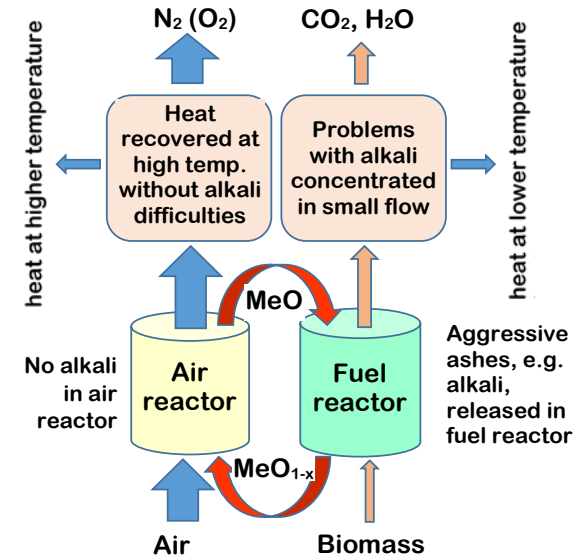
Biomass in CLC

High volatiles content
could give problems with
gas conversion



Could low ash content make
manufactured oxygen carriers
possible ?

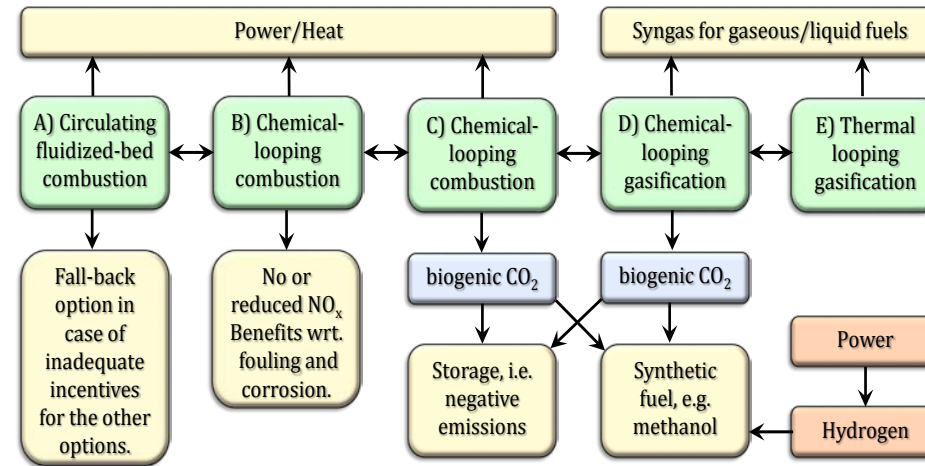
Biomass difficult fuel
alkali gives low
ash-melting temperature



Could CLC facilitate the use
of biomass in boilers ?
(positive experience with OCAC)

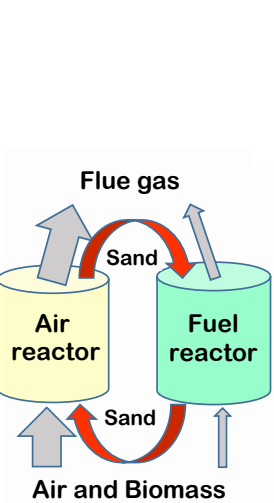
Could range of possible fuels be
extended?

Multipurpose Dual Fluidized Bed

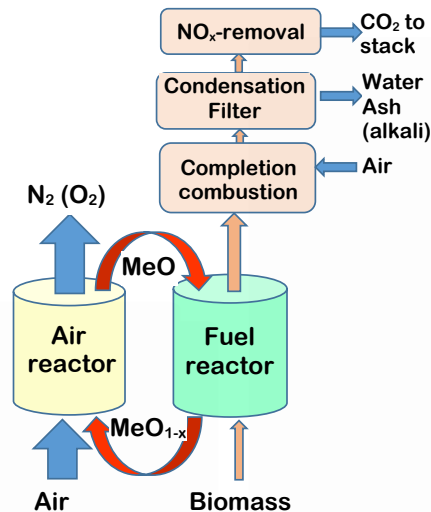


Three cases with heat extraction only

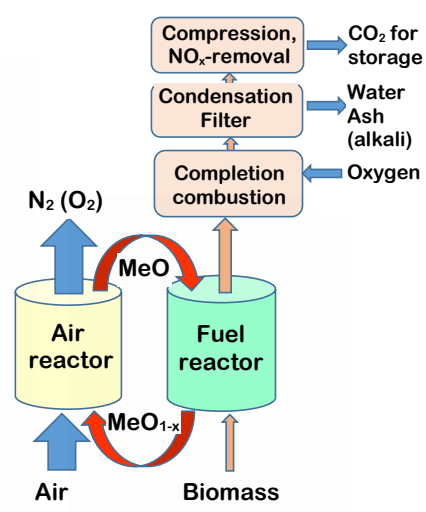
Two cases where heat extraction is minimized, in order to get high fuel output



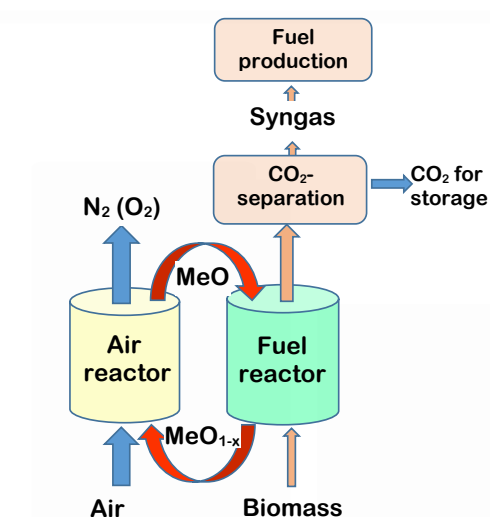
4A MDFB-boiler–normal combustion



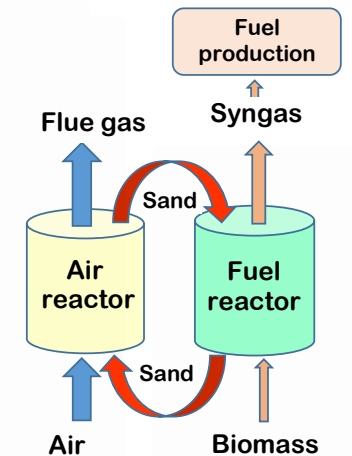
4B Chemical looping to reduce NO_x and alkali problems



4C Chemical looping for negative emissions



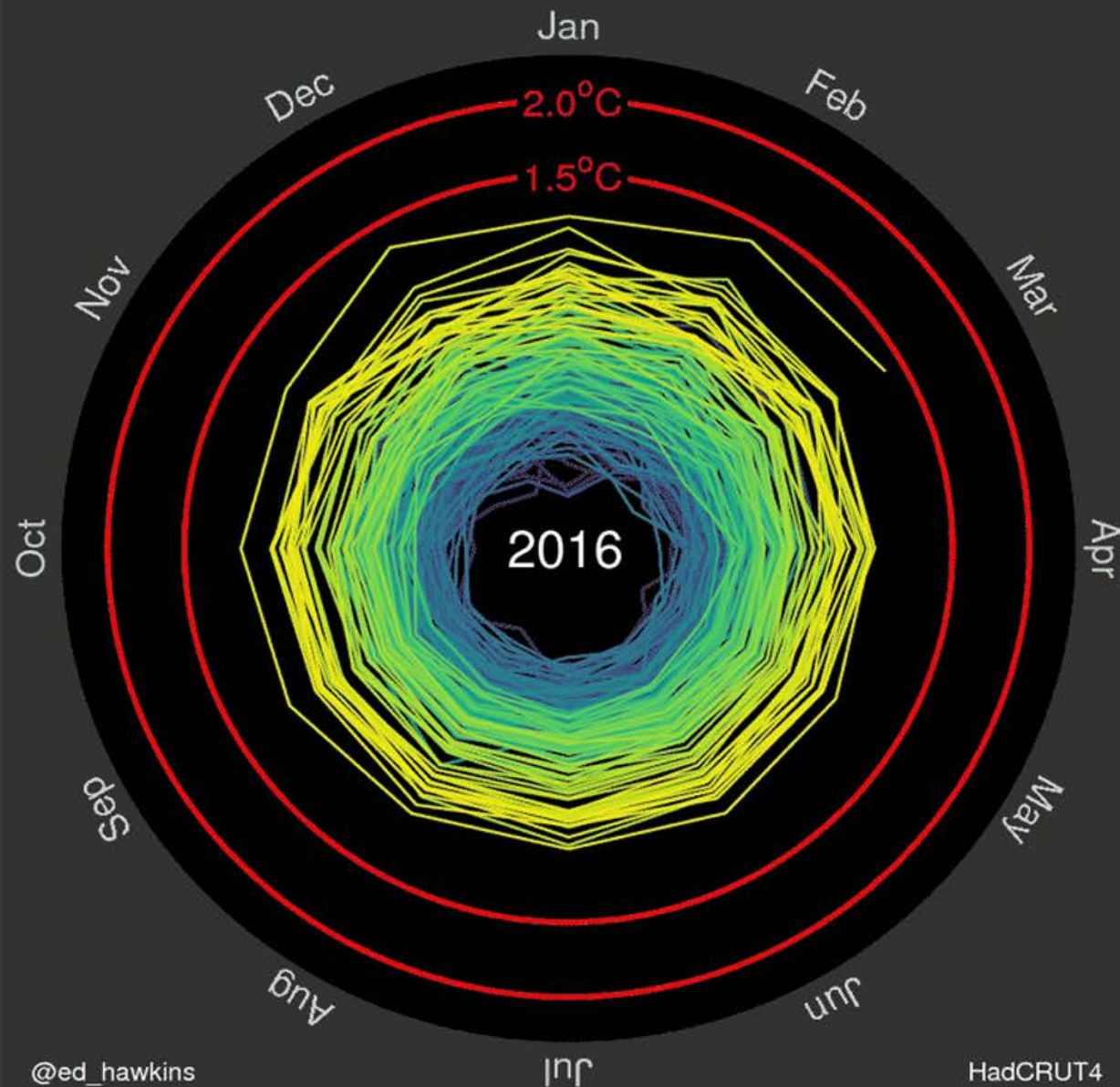
4D Chemical Looping Gasification – for Fuel Production and Negative Emissions.



4E Thermal gasification - fuel production only

Thank you!

Global temperature change (1850–2016)



Arctic sea ice volume (1979–2017)

