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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 Description of the deliverable content and purpose

This report describes the activity carried out for the final workshop of the project, as well as its organization procedures. The workshop is part of the Grant Agreement, it was organized by Ayming and UGENT. Its goal was to provide the attendants with a broad overview of the IMPROOF results.

1.2 Brief description of the state of the art and the innovation breakthroughs

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1.3 Corrective action

The workshop had to be delayed, and finally happened only online, due to the health crisis.



2 PREPARATION OF THE WORKSHOP

2.1 Date and Location

The workshop took place online on Sunday 16 August 2020. It was initially planned on Sunday 29 March 2020 in Houston (USA), in connection with the event “EPC”. The health crisis postponed this 32nd Ethylene Producers Conference to August; finally the conference has been completely dematerialised, and so was the workshop.

2.2 Schedule

Meeting Name: Stakeholder meeting
Meeting Date: Sunday 16 August 2020, 17h CET
Meeting Venue: online



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2.3 Workshop promotion

People were invited to the IMPROOF event through the consortium. Every partner shared extensively the invitation; potential attendees were also informed through the project website and LinkedIn. The European Commission and SPIRE were also invited. The event was free of charge.

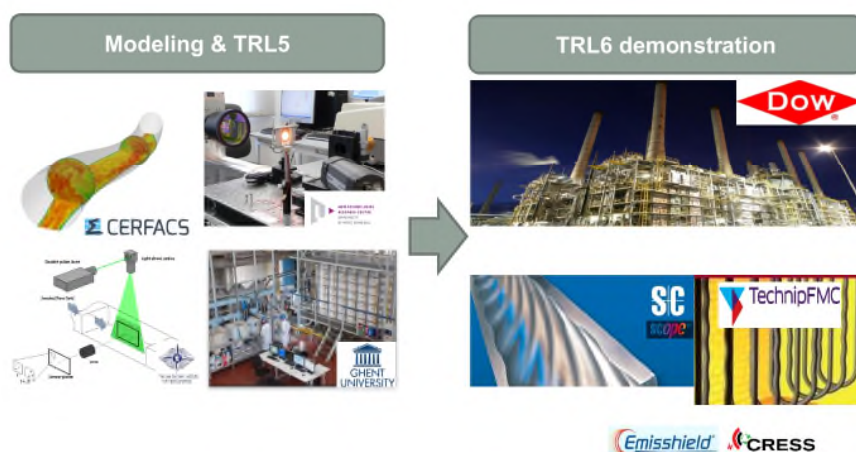
103 people registered to the workshop; 40 people participated; the rescheduling and the happening on a Sunday, during the summer break, might have caused some people not to attend considering that they knew that the recordings would be available online. They can be found here:

3 WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES

3.1 Workshop content

Prof. Kevin van Geem (University of Gent), project coordinator, gave a wide presentation of the project results and outcomes.

Demonstration of new technologies

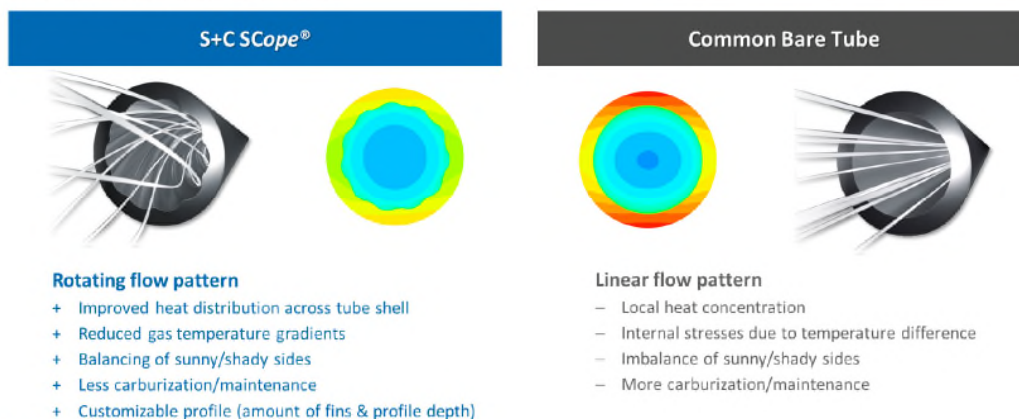


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Steffen Heyland (Schmidt & Clemens) and Marko Djokic (University of Gent) shared the project advancements in radiant coil technology.

ENHANCED HEAT TRANSFER

Inner Profiled Tubes




Peter Oud (TechnipFMC) and Georgios Bellos (DOW) developed the results about a low-emission furnace, the reduction of CO₂ emissions, the impact on an ethylene plant flowsheet and finally an operational expenditure evaluation.

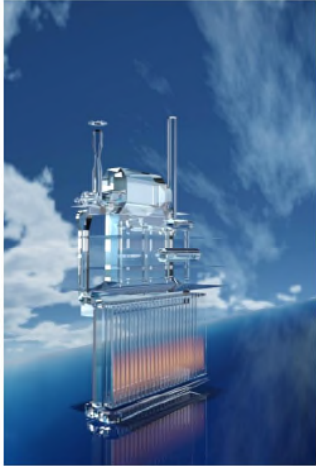
IMPROOF project targets achieved

Low-emission cracking furnace


- **CO₂ emissions can be reduced by 30%**
 - Exceeding expectations
- **Design is cost effective.**
 - Estimated pay-back time roughly 1 year
 - Improved operating margins, especially under difficult market conditions

 **Objectives Achieved**

TechnipFMC patented design.



Low-emission cracking furnace

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The workshop ended with a Q&A session between the speakers and the participants.



Figure 1: Screenshot of the speakers during their presentation.

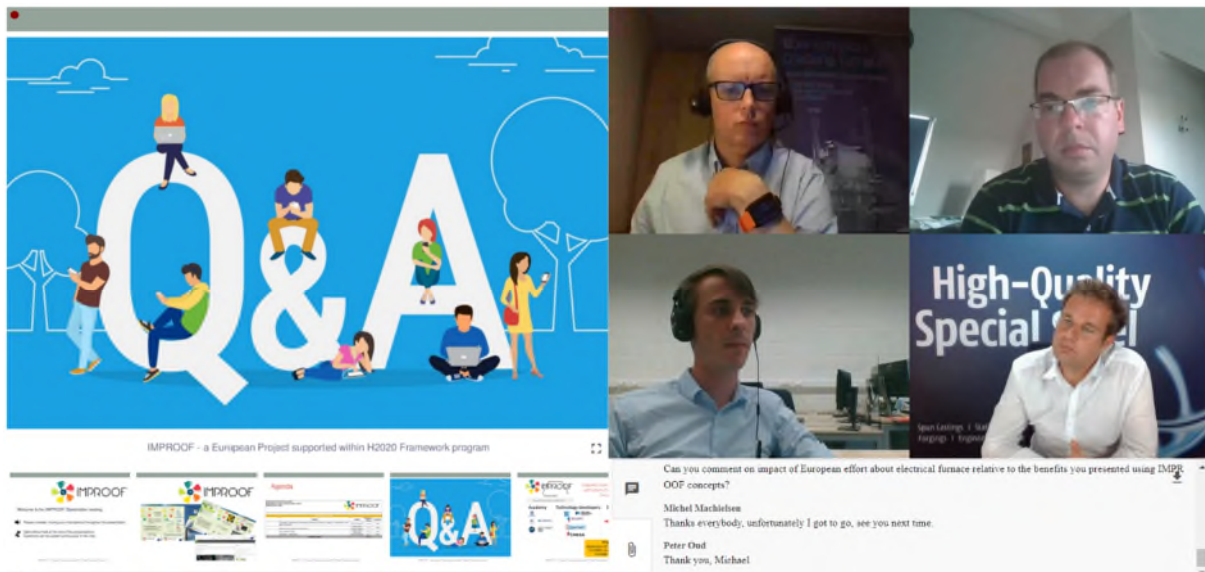


Figure 2: Screenshot of the Q&A session.

3.2 Workshop dissemination

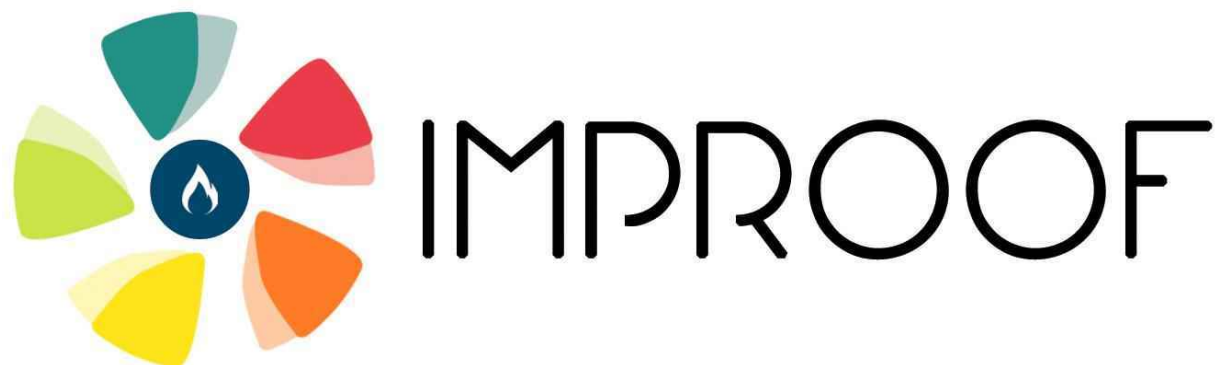
The session has been recorded and will be disseminated on the project website and LinkedIn. The participants will receive the presentations displayed, which will be available publicly.

The video and presentations are available online: <https://improof.cerfacs.fr/workshops/> and the news has been shared on LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/improof-eu-project/>



4 ANNEX

Presentations displayed.



Welcome to the IMPROOF Stakeholder meeting

🔊 Please consider muting your microphone throughout the presentation

🗣️ Q&A will be held at the end of the presentations
Questions can be posed continuously in the chat



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Emission & Energy reduction

Energy efficiency is a crucial factor for today's steam cracking furnaces.

Opposing factors like cost efficiency and a simultaneous reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases and NO_x needs to be controlled.

Innovative technologies will allow:

- to increase energy efficiency by at least 20%
- to reduce greenhouse gases and NO_x / ton ethylene produced by at least 25%
- to increase the time on stream by a factor 3

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Associated partner:

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CORPORATION

INTEGRATED MODEL GUIDED PROCESS OPTIMIZATION OF STEAM CRACKING FURNACES

PROJECT DETAILS

Duration 48 months

EU Grant 6 878 401 €

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OBJECTIVE

Develop new techniques to reduce coke formation, use high emissivity coatings, drastically improve the energy efficiency of steam cracking furnaces in a cost effective way, while reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and pollutant emissions.

INNOVATIONS

New 3D reactor design for improved process control and increased run length

Renewable fuels (biogas and bio-oil) for lower net CO₂ production

METHODS

Chemical kinetics for oxy-combustion and biofuels

Advanced numerical simulation

Welcome to IMPROOF

IMPROOF is a European Project aiming at improving the energy efficiency of steam cracking furnaces, while reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and NO_x. The strongly industrial oriented consortium is composed of 7 industrial partners, including 2 SME completed by 2 RTD and 2 Universities, showing a clear and strong path to the industrial and economical world.

Duration

Start date: 1 September 2016

End date: 31 August, 2020

News

On November 5th, 2016 "10th International Conference on Chemical Reactors (CHIMREACTOR 20)" to be held in Ghent, Belgium

Two partnering members are keynote lecturers in CHIMREACTOR20 Dr. Benedicte Cuvelier (Centre Européen de Recherche et de Formation Avancée en...)

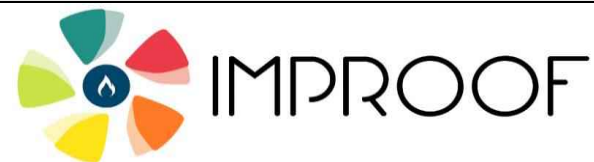
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Technical field

Industrial furnace design - SPIRE04-2016

Integrated model guided process
optimization of steam cracking
furnaces

Academy



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Technology developers



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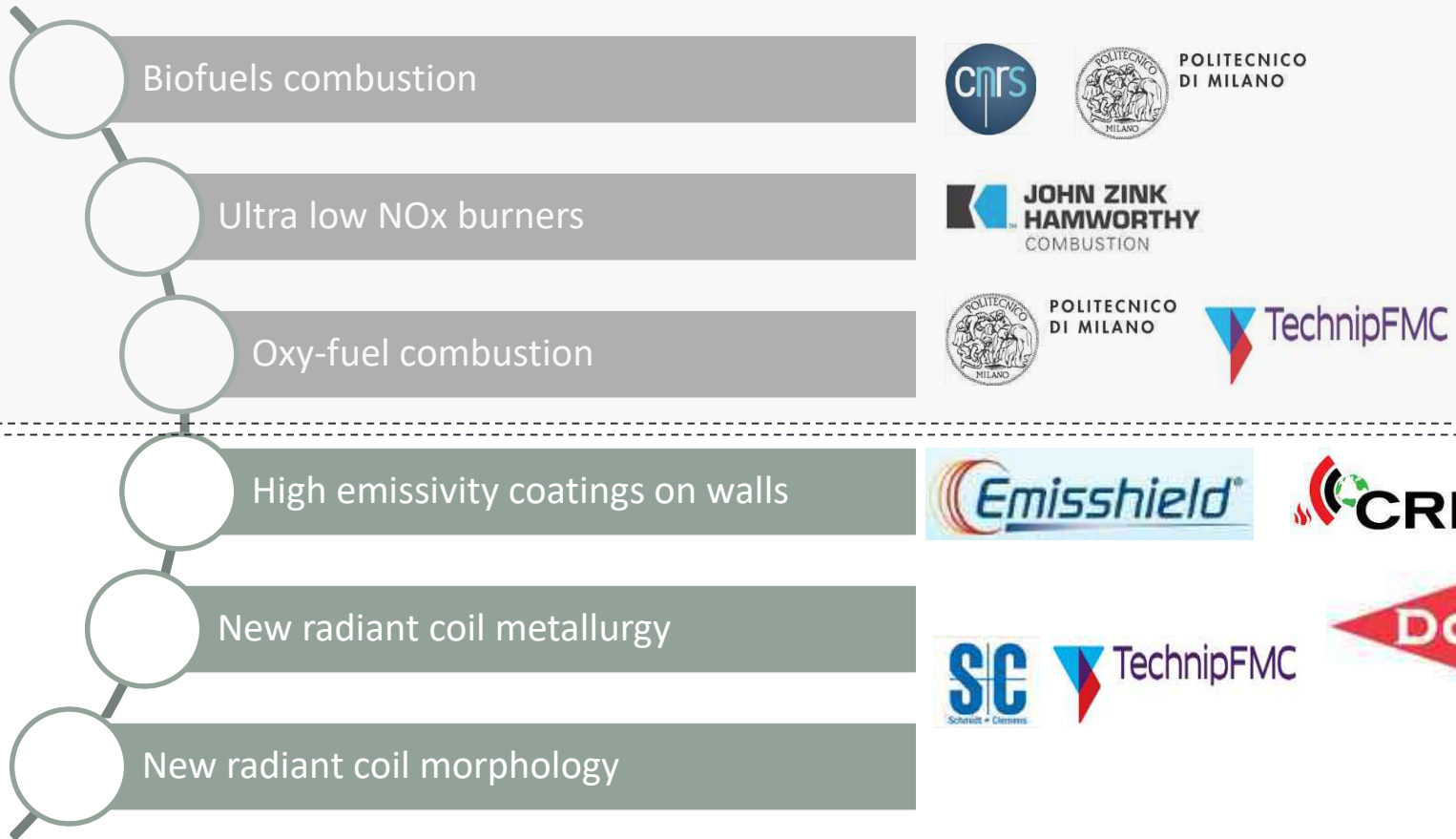
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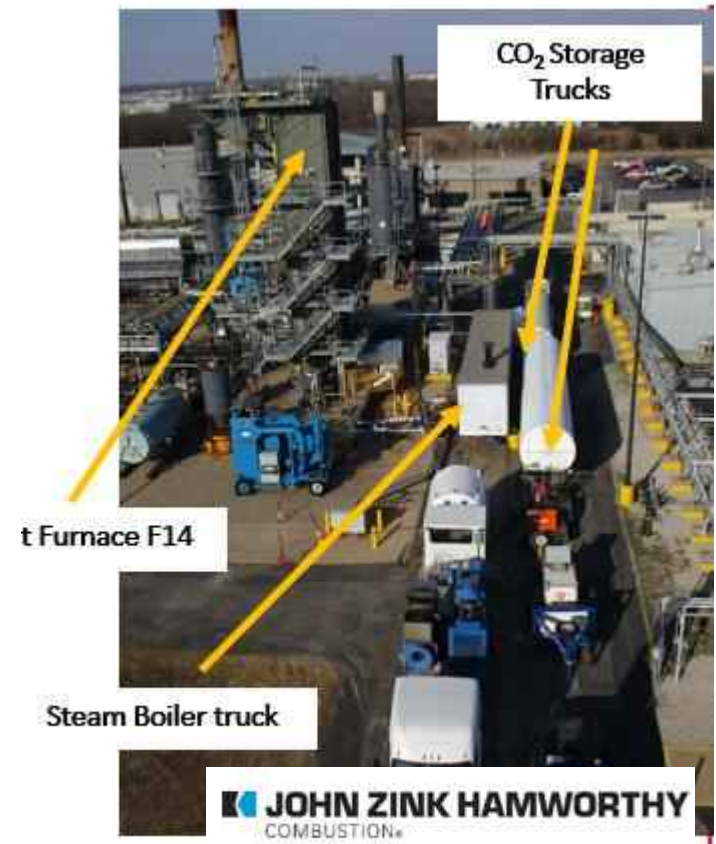
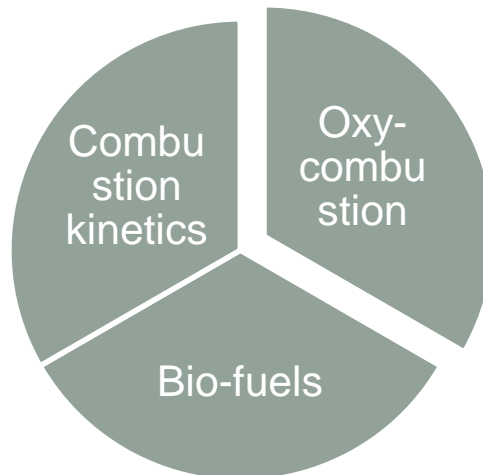
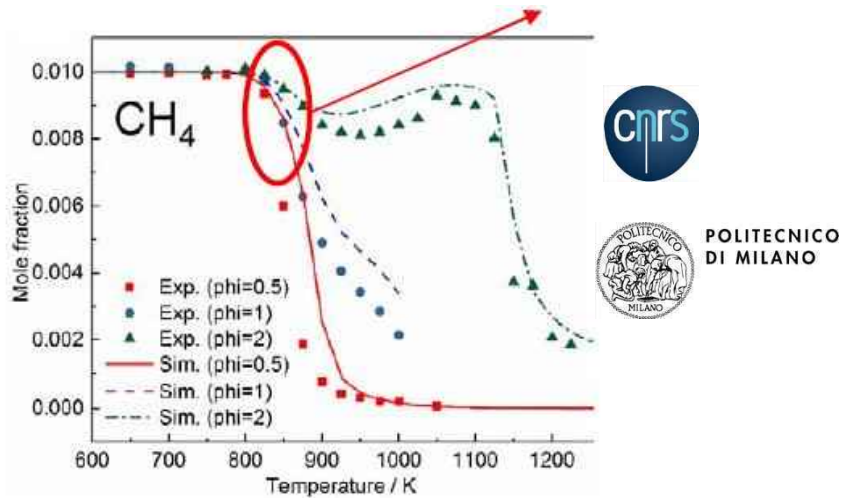
Project

September 2016-August 2020
6.8 MM€ consortium grant

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions and NOx by 20% per ton of C2=

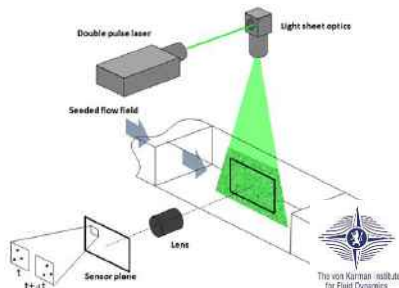
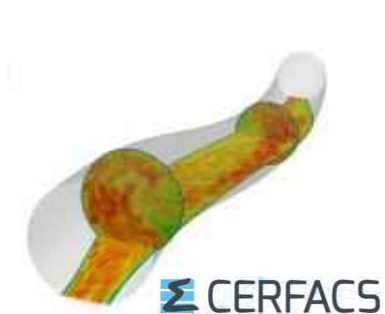


Combustion kinetics



Demonstration of new technologies

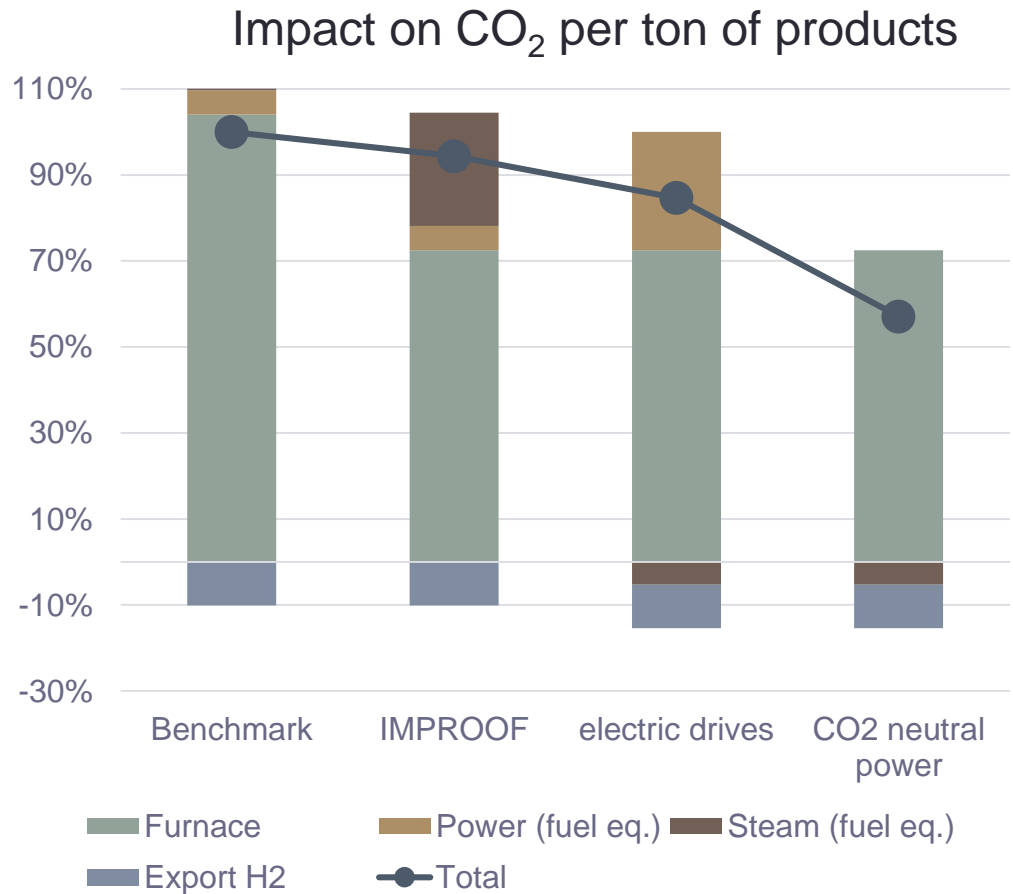
Modeling & TRL5



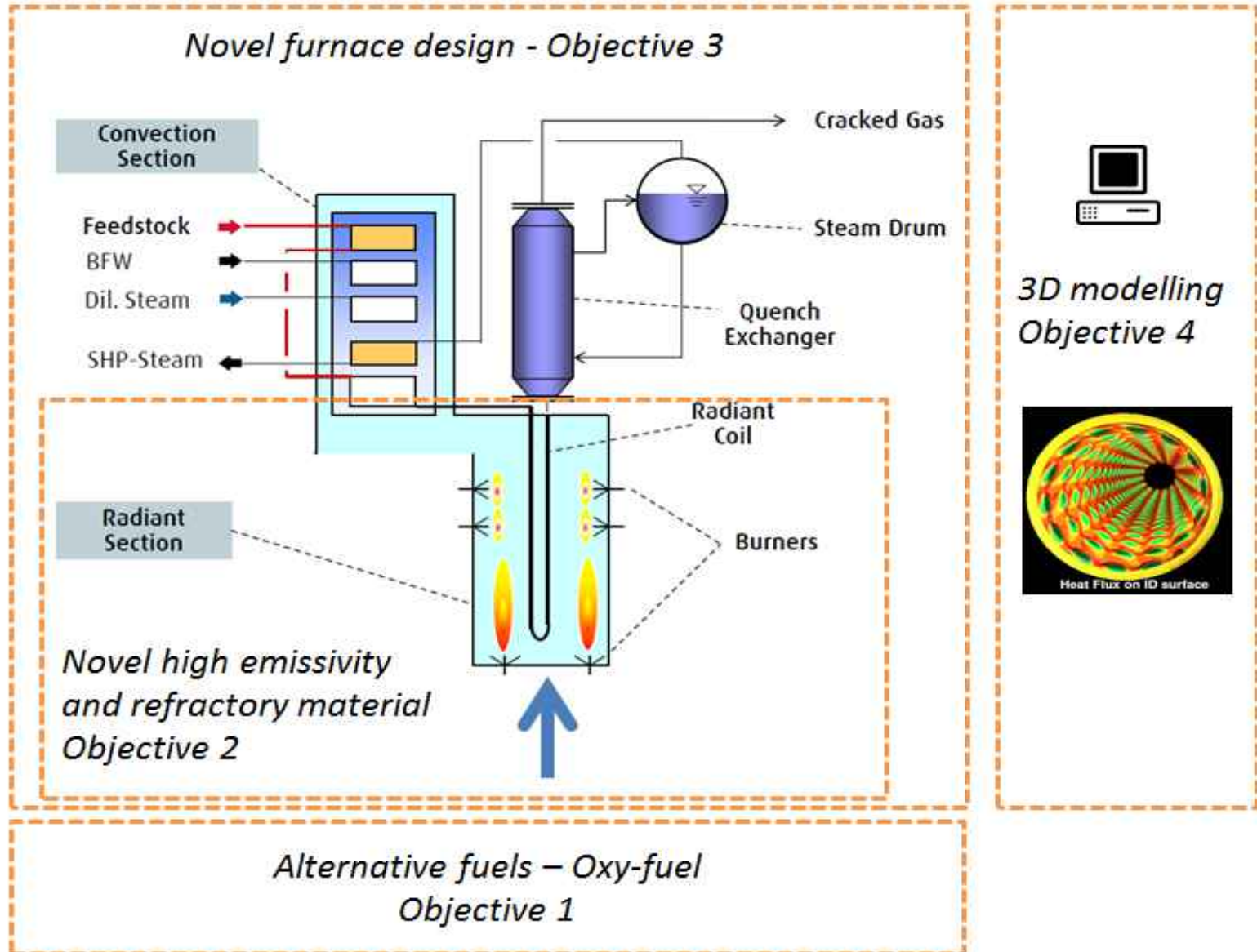
TRL6 demonstration



LCA on new process design



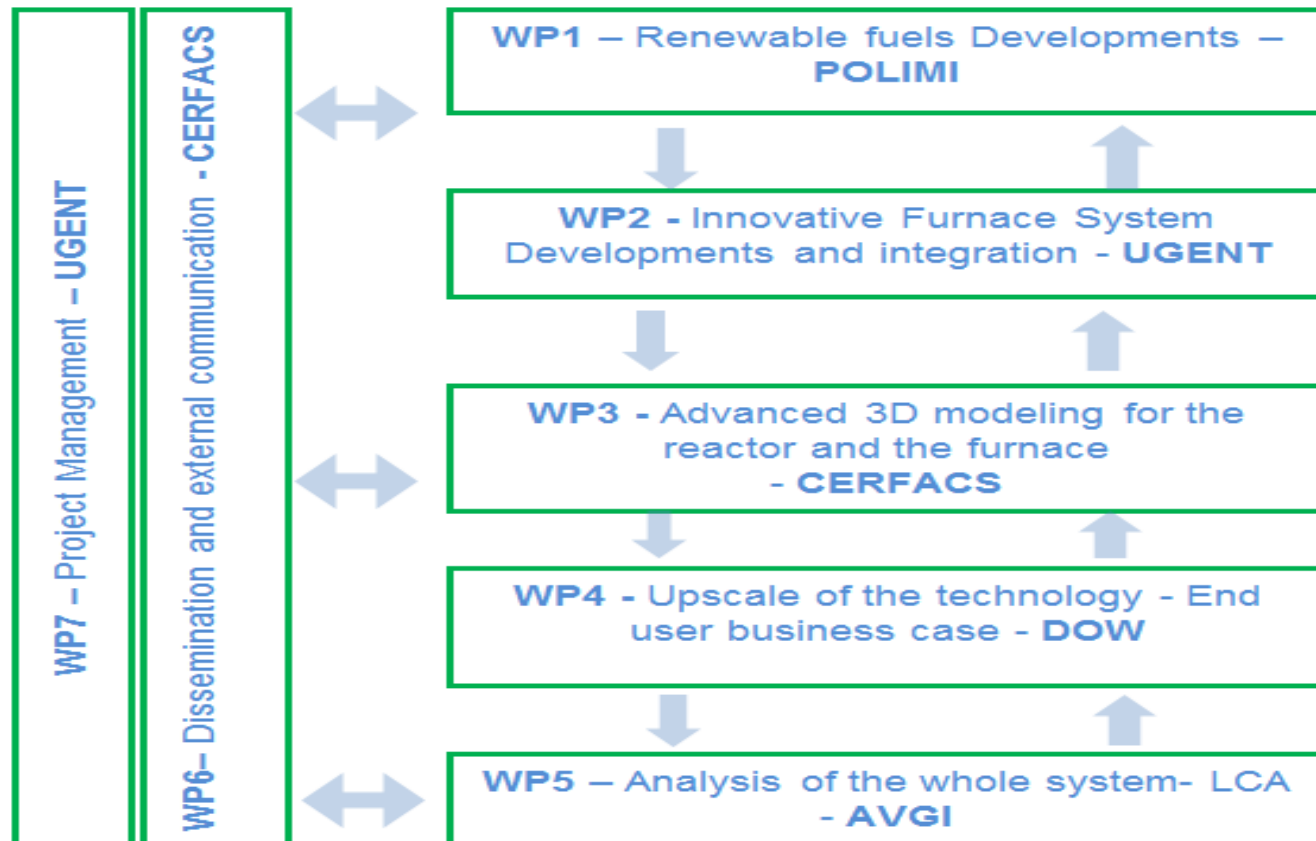
Objective: Furnace of the future



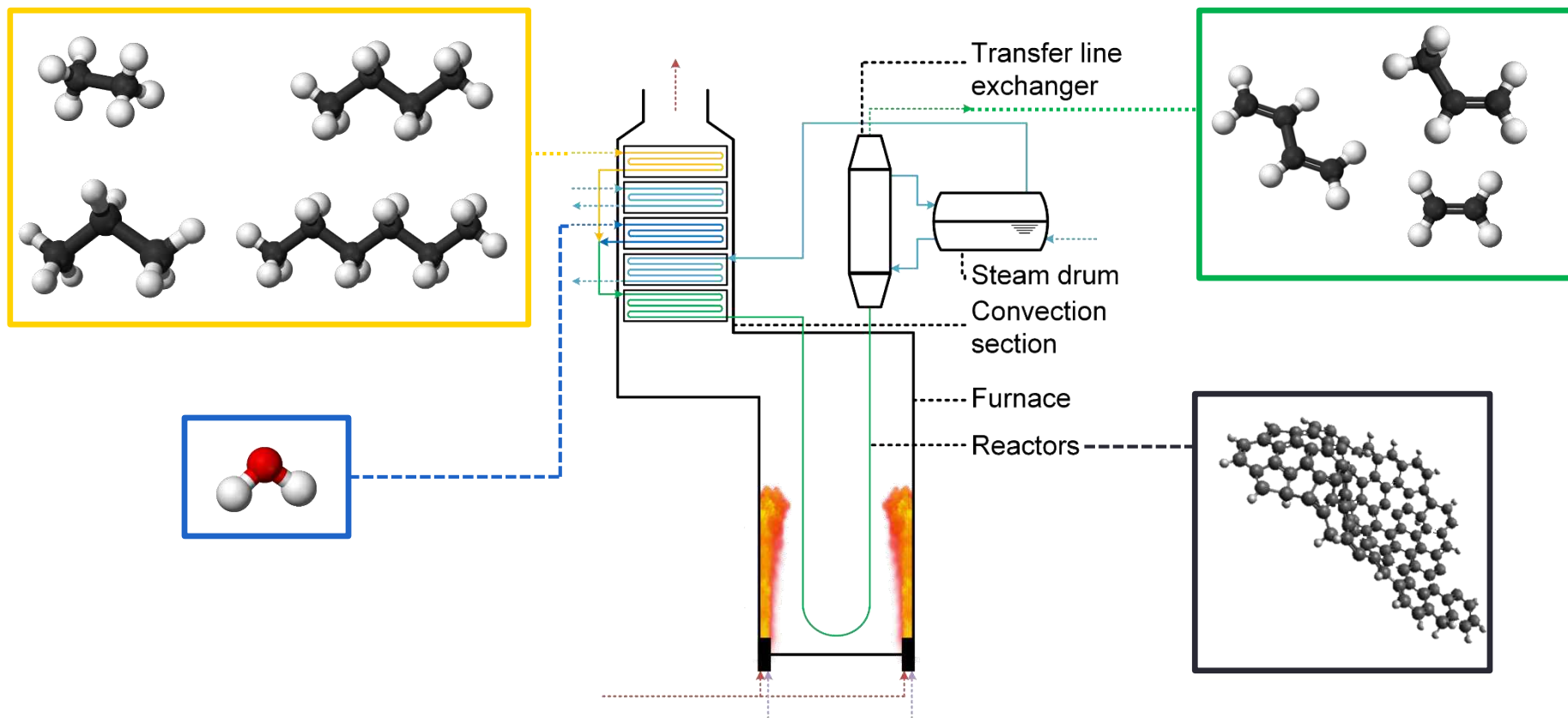
5 sub-objectives

1. Demonstrate the individual impact of **novel emissive, reactor and refractory materials** on pilot scale (TRL5)
2. Demonstrate the power advanced process simulation (**high performance computing and CFD**) for furnace design and optimization
3. Demonstrate the technical, economic and environmental sustainability of the IMPROOF furnace at **TRL6**
4. **Coke formation reduction** and real time optimization
5. Novel combustion technology using **alternative fuels and oxy-fuel** combustion.

WP structure with related WP leaders



state-of-the-art



Furnaces have had no spectacular advances for the last 10-20 years

S. Vangaever, P. A. Reyniers, C. Visser, D. Jakobi, G. J. Heynderickx, G. B. Marin, *et al.*,
"Computational Fluid Dynamics-Based Study of a High Emissivity Coil Coating in an Industrial Steam Cracker," *Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research*, vol. 57, pp. 120782-120794, 12018.

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Review articles



Review

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State-of-the-art of Coke Formation during Steam Cracking: Anti-Coking Surface Technologies

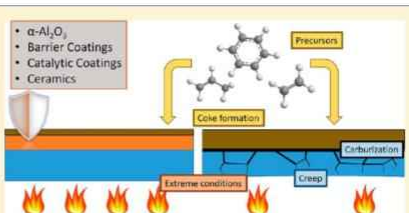
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ABSTRACT: Although steam cracking is a mature technology, mitigation of coke formation remains one of the main challenges in the petrochemical industry. To increase the olefin output of existing plants, coil materials that can withstand higher temperatures are desired. This work reviews material technologies that were developed and tested in the past three decades to minimize the rate of coke deposition and extend the furnace run length. The material not only determines the mechanical properties of the coil but also affects the coking rate substantially. In some cases, differences in coking rates by more than a factor 10 have been observed. SiC materials could be operated at significantly higher temperatures, and this leads to higher olefin selectivity if one includes acetylene hydrogenation; however, the mechanical joints make it currently impossible to take advantage of their superior temperature resistance. On the industrial scale, operational improvements have been reported with advanced reactor surface technologies such as high-performance alloys and coatings during the past decade. Catalytic coatings go a step further than barrier coatings by actively removing coke that is deposited on the coils. Another trend is to add aluminum to the coil material, which forms a protective aluminum oxide layer on the reactor wall during operation and results in reduced carburization. To optimize the coking mitigation capabilities of the coils, the state-of-the-art materials and/or coatings should be combined with 3D reactor technologies, which is not always possible for all materials because of the advanced machining that is needed.



1. INTRODUCTION

Steam cracking is the most important petrochemical process

Commercial steam cracking of hydrocarbons is performed almost exclusively in fired tubular reactors. The hydrocarbon feed stream enters the furnace and is preheated by heat exchange

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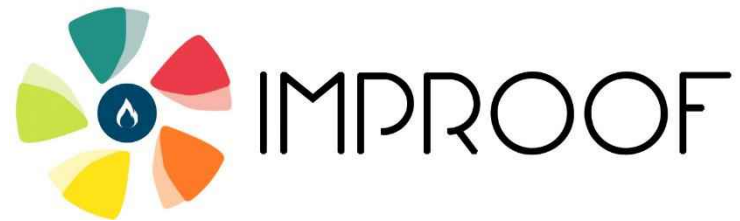
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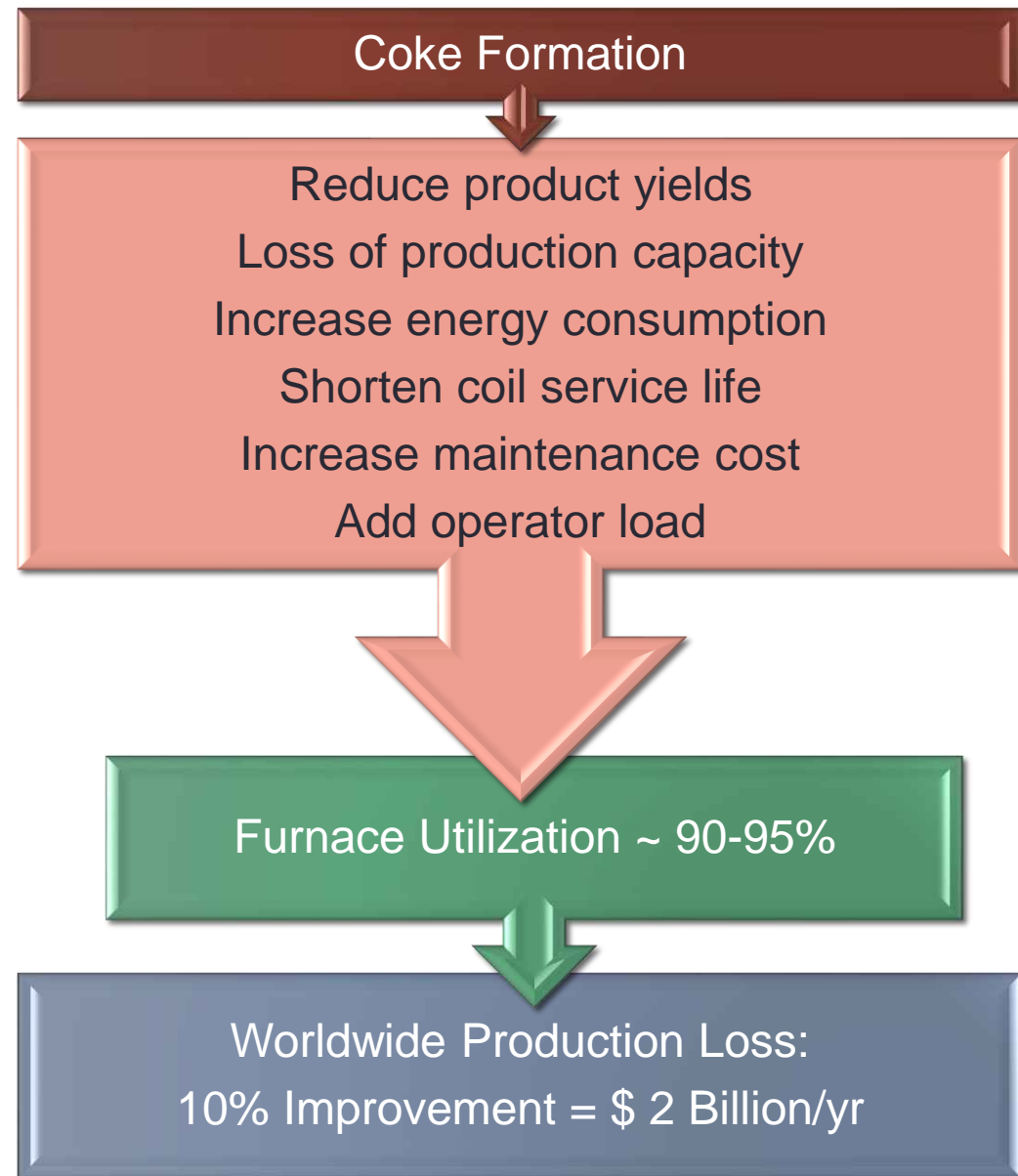
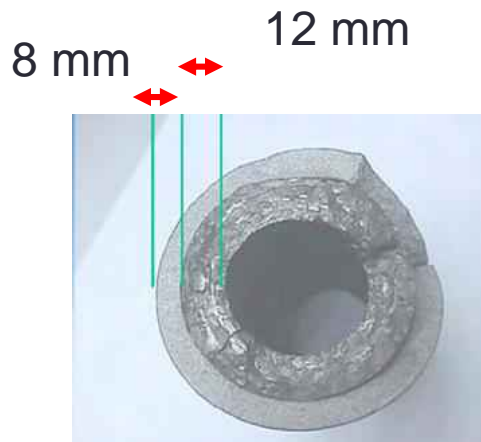
Evolution of the state-of-the-art

- a new wind is blowing: *IMPROOF is partly driving this*
 - *New concepts related to energy are being considered*
 - *Novel technologies are being vetted more quickly*

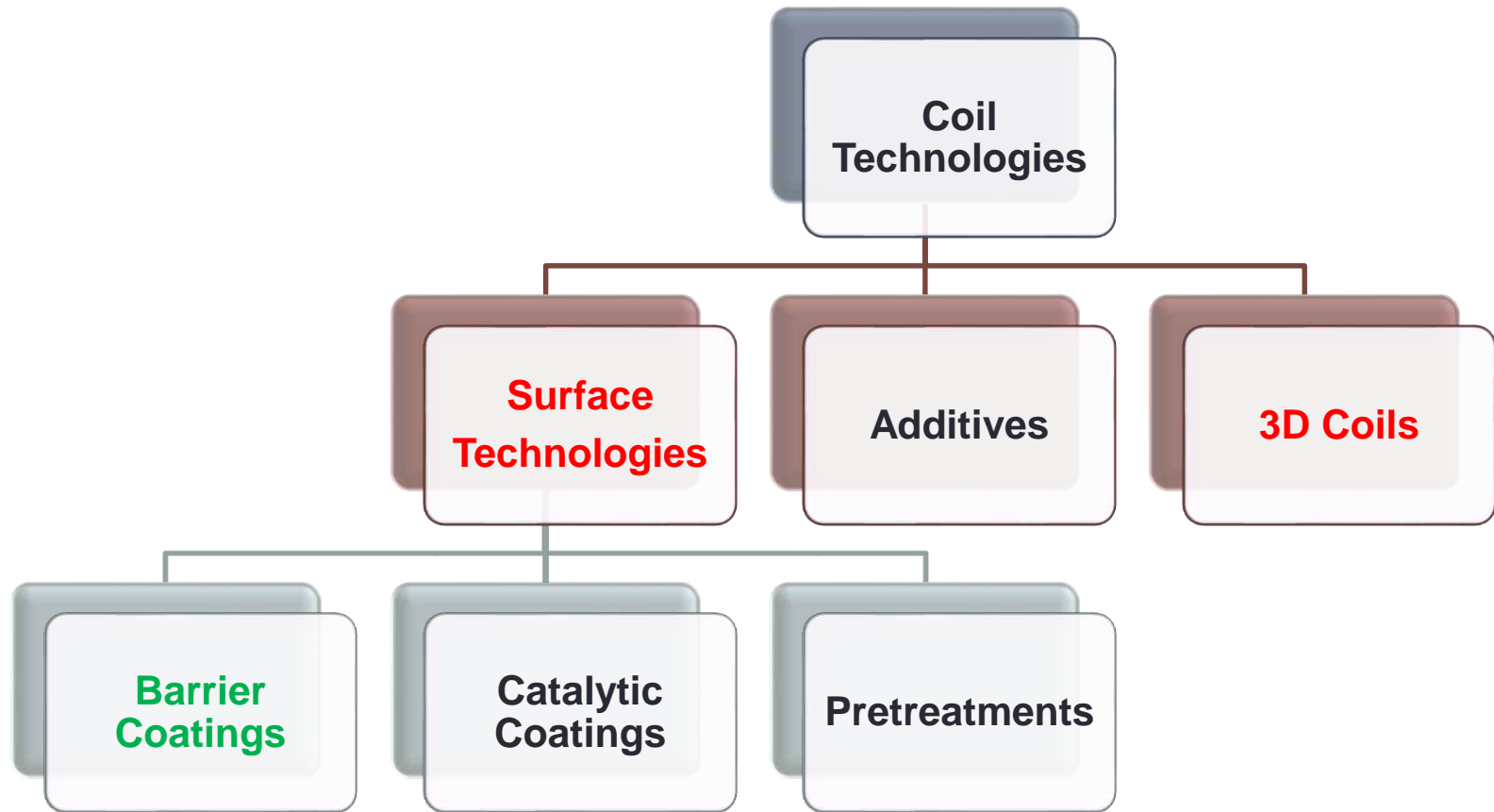


- Examples:
 - *Novel materials for high emissivity coatings*
 - *3D reactor technologies are being more and more embraced by industry*
 - *Reactor materials are revisited based on better understanding and better testing procedures*

Coke Formation



Technologies for Coke Reduction and Heat Transfer Improvements



Process Intensification in steam cracking

Improve reactor design by accelerating heat input

$$\dot{Q} = h A (T_{\text{inner reactor wall}} - T_{\text{fluid}})$$



Thermal efficiency



Product selectivity



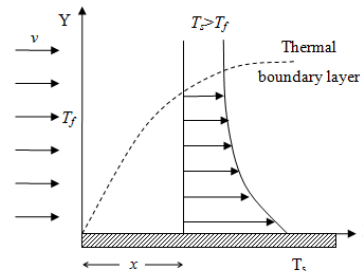
Decoking procedures



More reactor material needed



More friction with wall ~ Δp

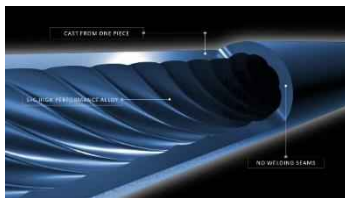


Disrupt the boundary layer

Fig.4.3: Thermal boundary layer flow past a flat surface

3D Coils

- 3D geometries to enhance heat transfer by
 - Increased internal surface area
 - Fin-like structures
 - Enhanced mixing
 - SCOPE (S+C)
 - Swirl Flow Tube (SFT)



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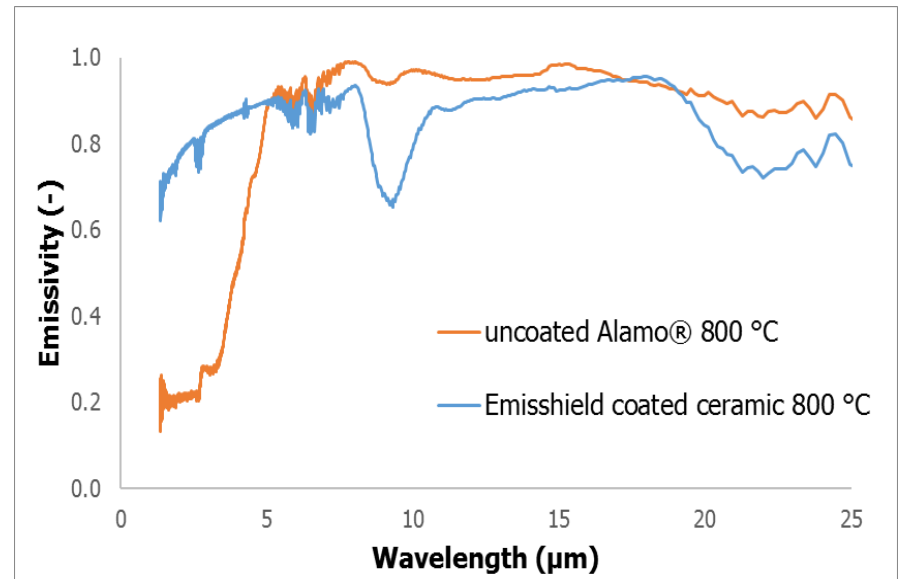


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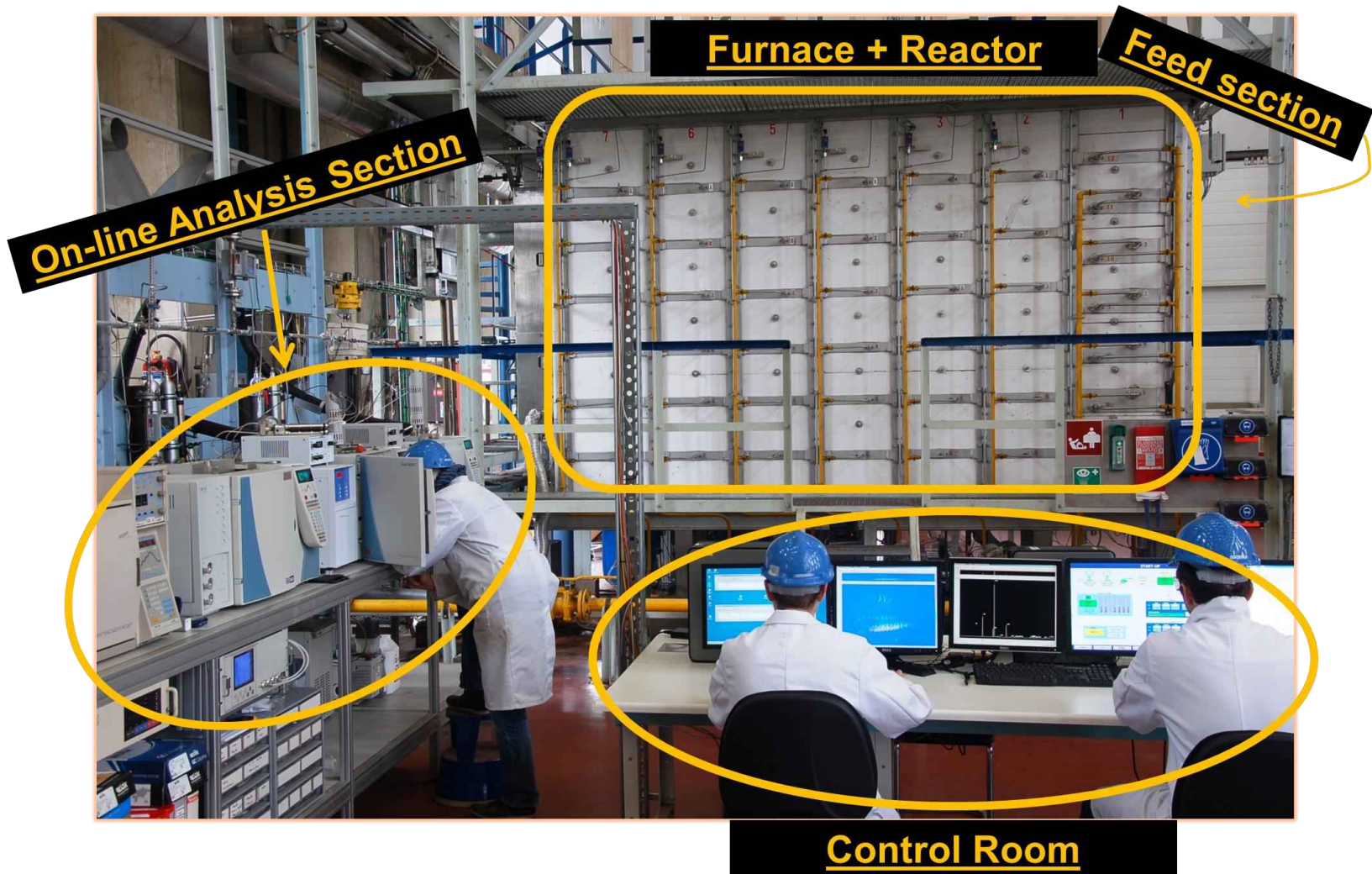
- Major drawback: **Increased pressure losses**

High Emissivity Coatings

- Application of high-emissivity coatings:
 - on furnace walls improves heat transfer and thermal efficiency of furnace
 - on reactor tubes increases capacity of reactor tube to transfer heat to process gas
- Emissivity of a high-emissivity ceramic coating increases with temperature
- CFD modeling showed:
 - Application of high-emissivity coatings on walls of a naphtha furnace increased thermal efficiency (~1%) & improved yield of ethylene(~0.5%)



Pilot tests proved there value



Techniques for Lowering NO_x

- Steam injection in the combustion zone
- Modifications to create a larger flame
 - Produces a lower flame temperature and lower NO_x
- Low or ultra-low NO_x staged fuel burners
- Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) system
 - NO_x and ammonia react on a titanium-vanadium based catalyst to produce nitrogen and water
- Improved Combustion
 - Oxy-fuel combustion
 - Moderate or Intense Low-oxygen Dilution (MILD) combustion

Bussman, W., Poe, R., Hayes, B., McAdams, J. & Karan, J. *Environ. Prog.* **21**, 1–9 (2002).

Walker, J. S. & Salbilla, D. L. Analysis of NO_x Reduction Techniques on an Ethylene Cracking Furnace.

Zimmermann, H. & Walzi, R. in *Ullmann's Encyclopedia of Industrial Chemistry* 547–572

Improved Combustion

- **Oxy-fuel** process is based on removal of nitrogen from air to carry out combustion with nearly pure oxygen and part of the flue gases
- Advantages:
 - Production of a highly concentrated stream of CO₂, ready for capture and storage (CCS).
 - Significantly reduce size of combustor unit
 - Higher adiabatic flame temperature
 - Reduce NO_x



Only results will tell how ugly things get



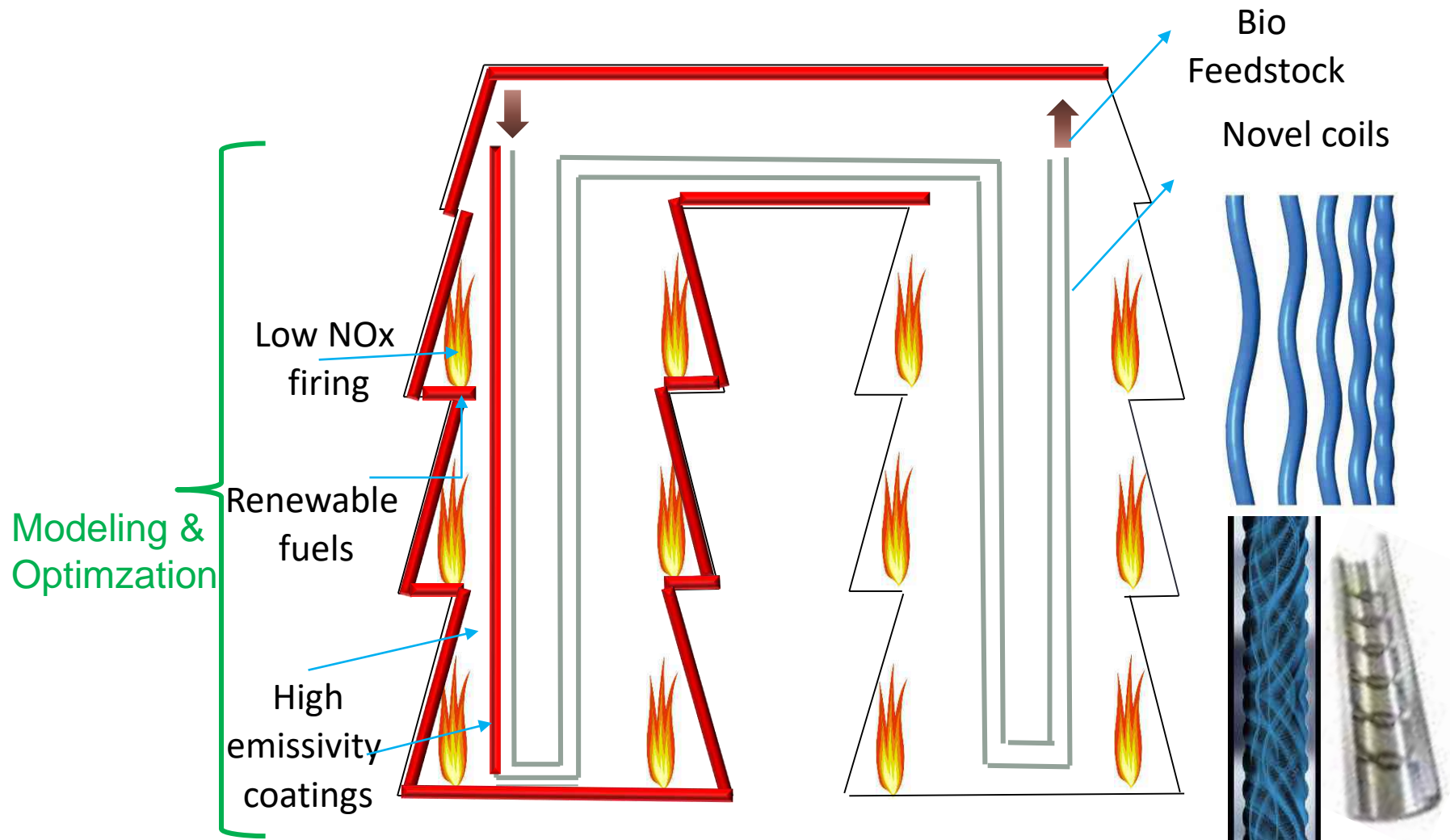
Enhanced heat transfer & mixing -> Less cokes?

Increased pressure drop
Lower olefin selectivity?



Long term performance and stability?

On 31 August 2020 it does not stop: Models are essential to make further progress



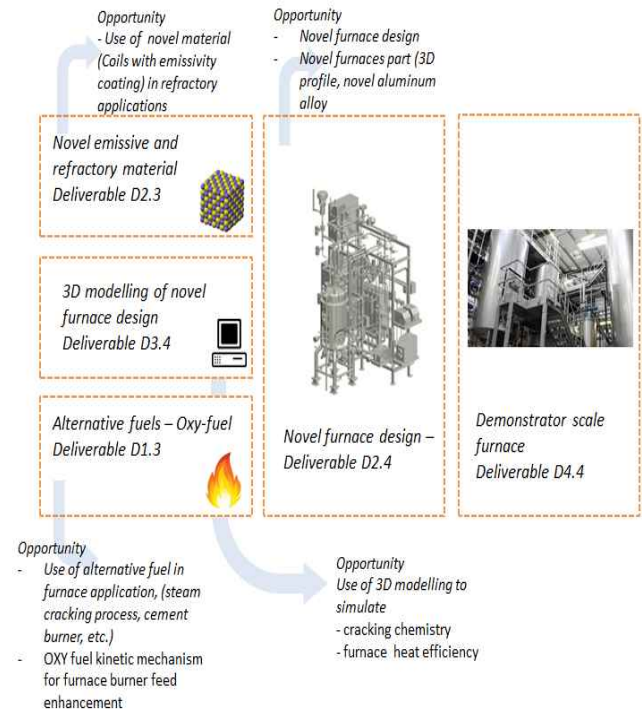
General project progress

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IMPROOF risk mitigation plan



Questions



ADVANCEMENTS IN *RADIANT COIL* *TECHNOLOGY*

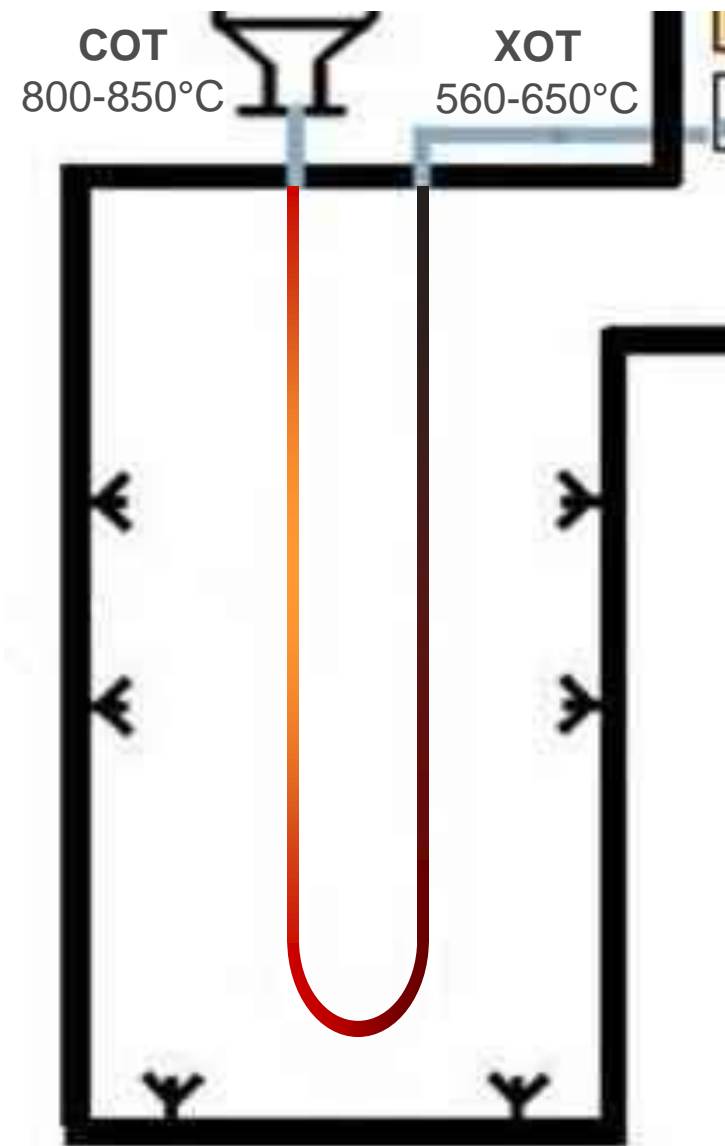
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INTRODUCTION

- Main target of the IMPROOF-Project is to increase the energy efficiency of steam cracking furnaces by at least 20%
- A substantial efficiency increase can be achieved by optimizing the radiant section, the “core” of the steam cracker

INTRODUCTION

Steam Cracking Process



Outer Tube Surface heated by Firebox

- Max. Tube Metal Temperature: 1100-1150°C
- Oxidizing flue gas atmosphere

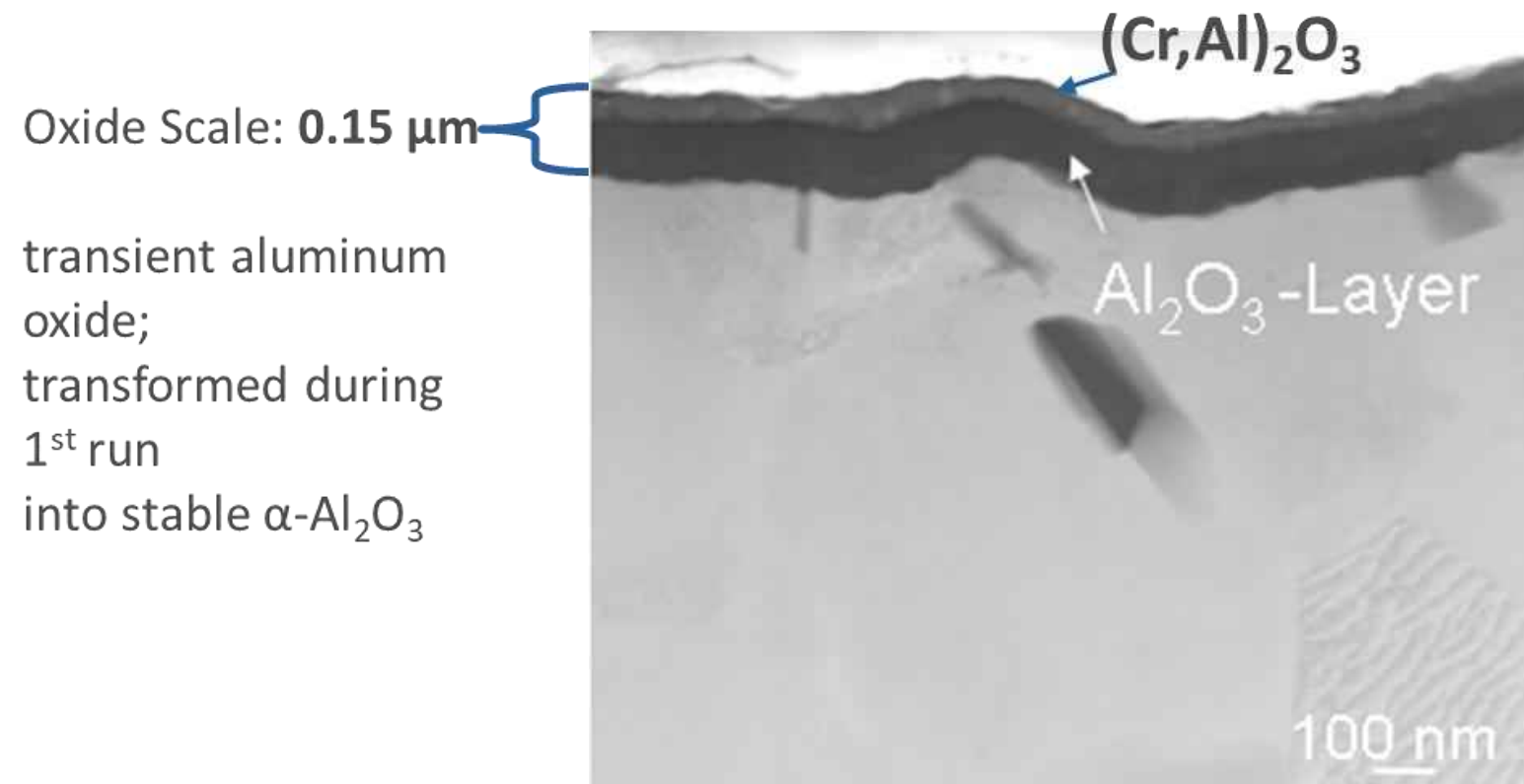
Inner Tube Surface with Alternating Corrosive Conditions

- Oxidizing conditions (furnace start-up & decoking)
- Reducing conditions (after coke deposition on inner tube surface)

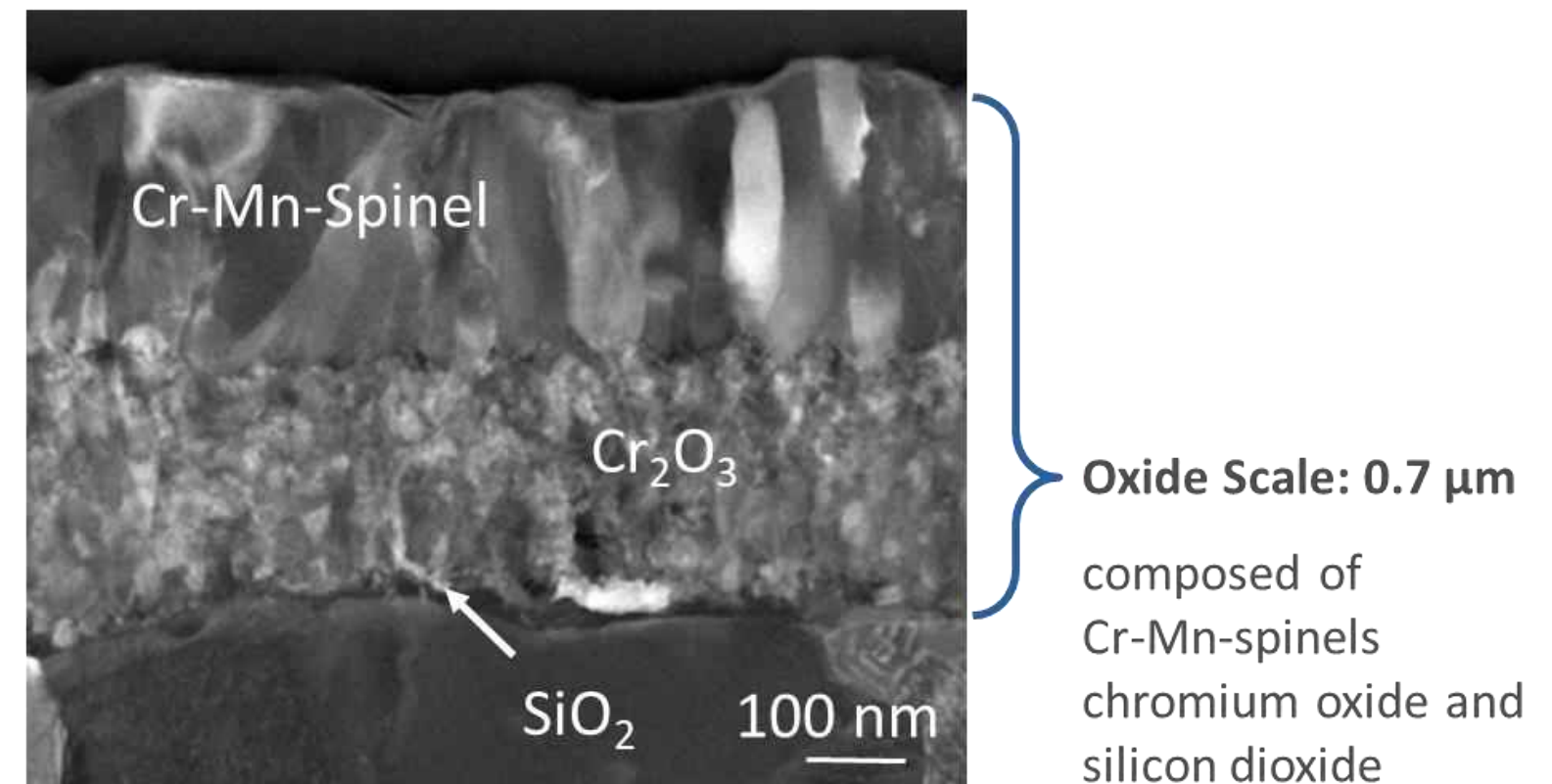
MATERIALS

Initial Oxide Layer after Start-Up

Centralloy® HT E Alumina Former

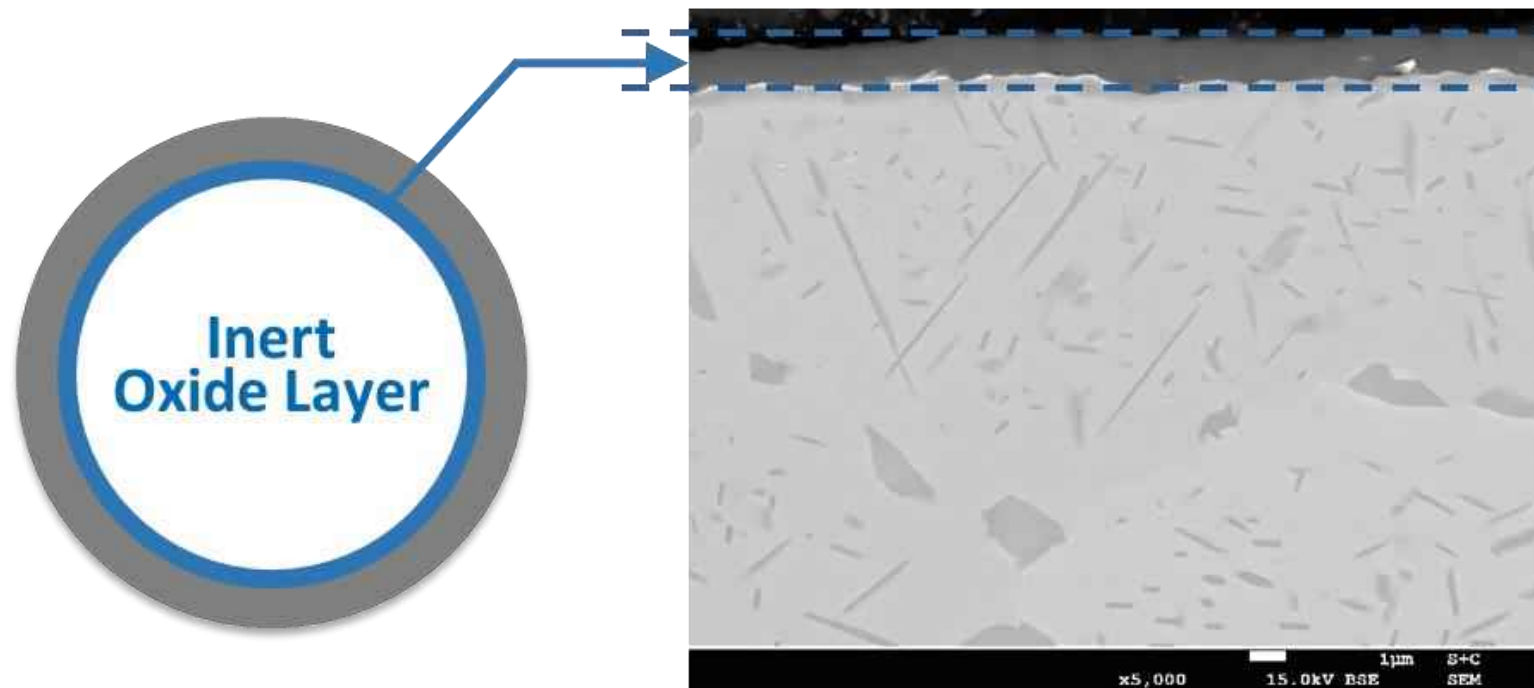


Common Chromia Forming Alloys



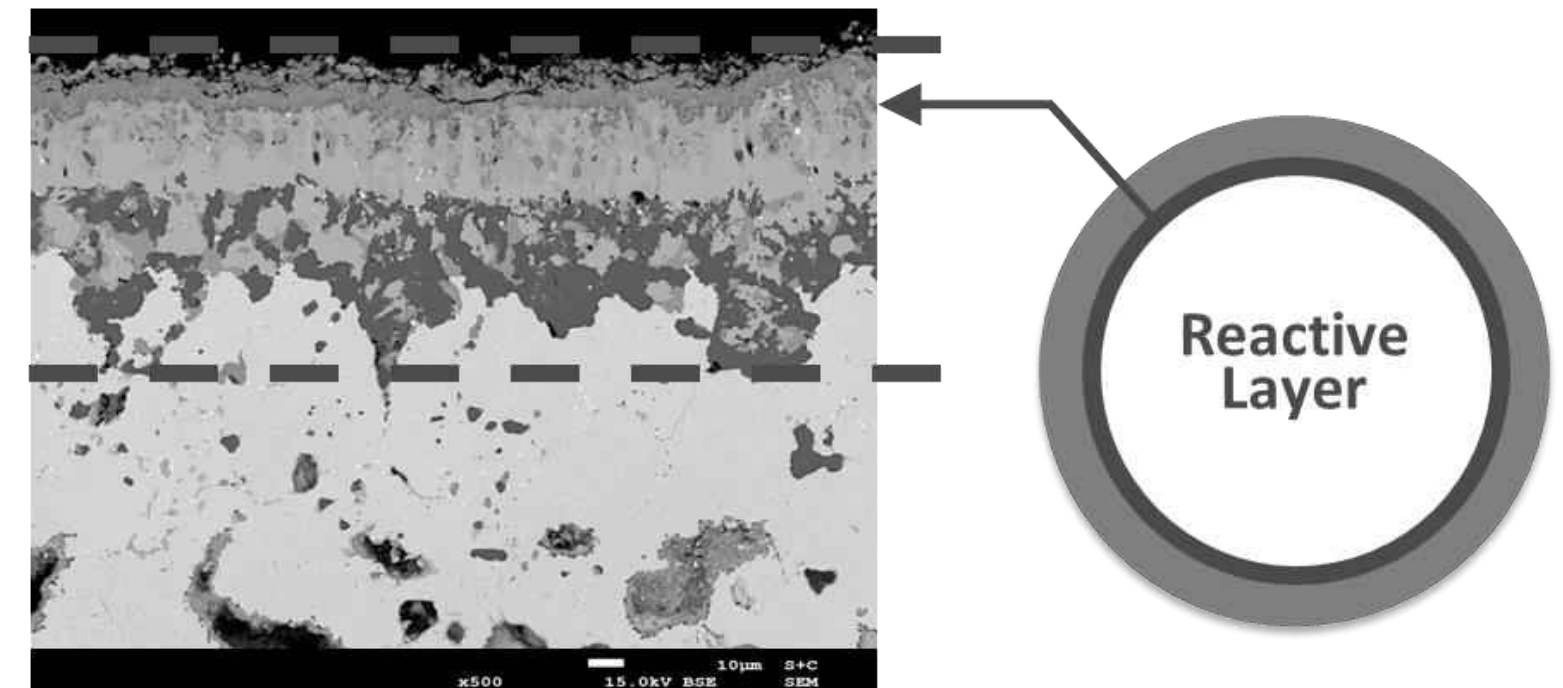
Oxide Layers after Cyclic Operation

Centralloy® HT E Alumina Former



- + Dense inert Aluminium Oxide layer – 1 µm
- + Complete protection, no carburization
- + Low coking rate

Common Chromia Forming Alloys

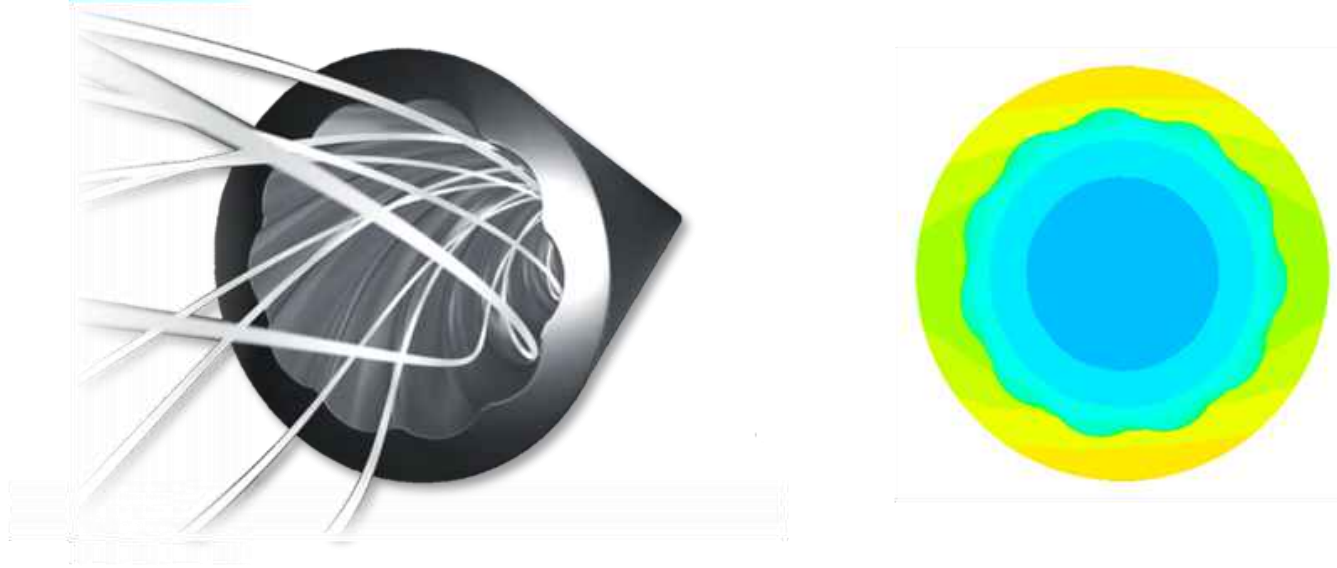


- Destroyed Chromium Oxide layer – reaction zone 90 µm
- Open structure, causing carburization
- High coking rate

ENHANCED HEAT TRANSFER

Inner Profiled Tubes

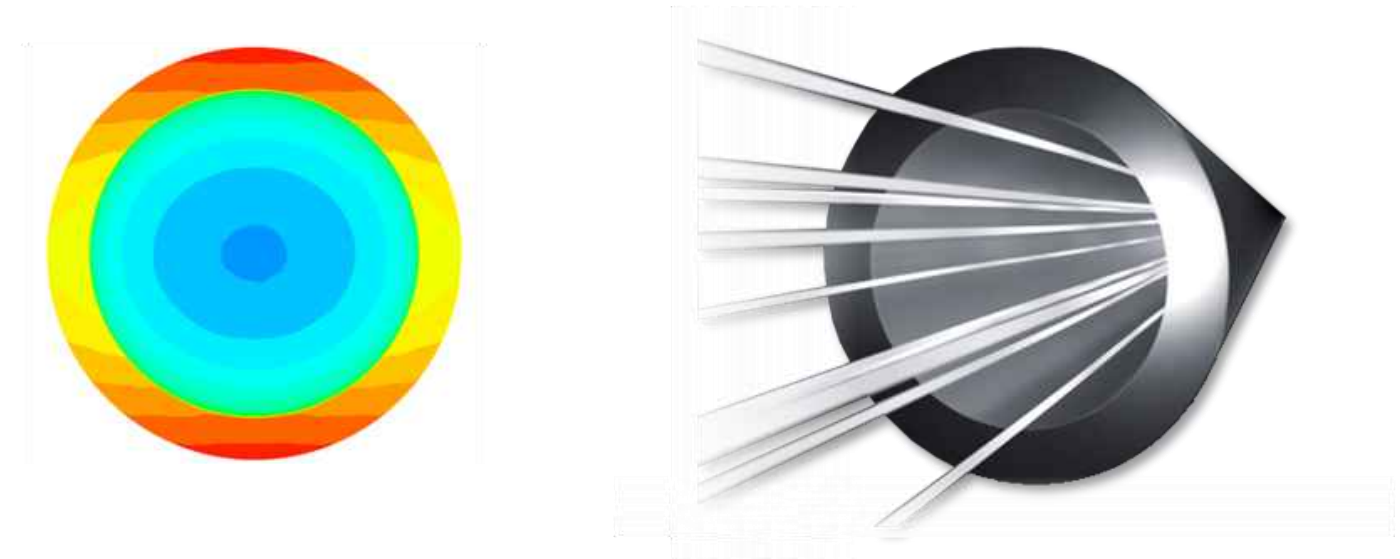
S+C SScope®



Rotating flow pattern

- + Improved heat distribution across tube shell
- + Reduced gas temperature gradients
- + Balancing of sunny/shady sides
- + Less carburization/maintenance
- + Customizable profile (amount of fins & profile depth)

Common Bare Tube

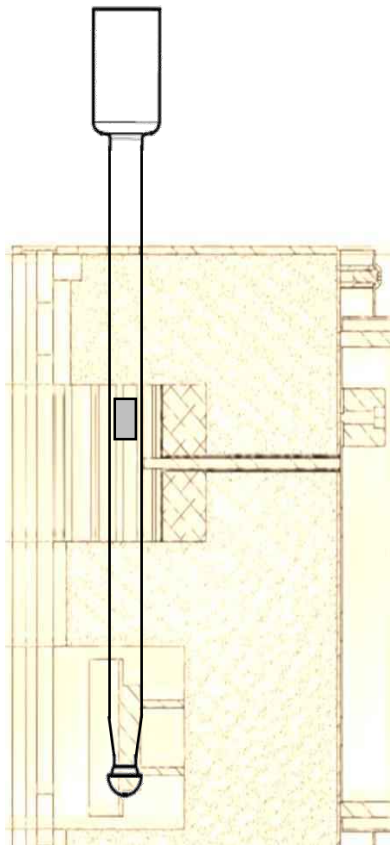


Linear flow pattern

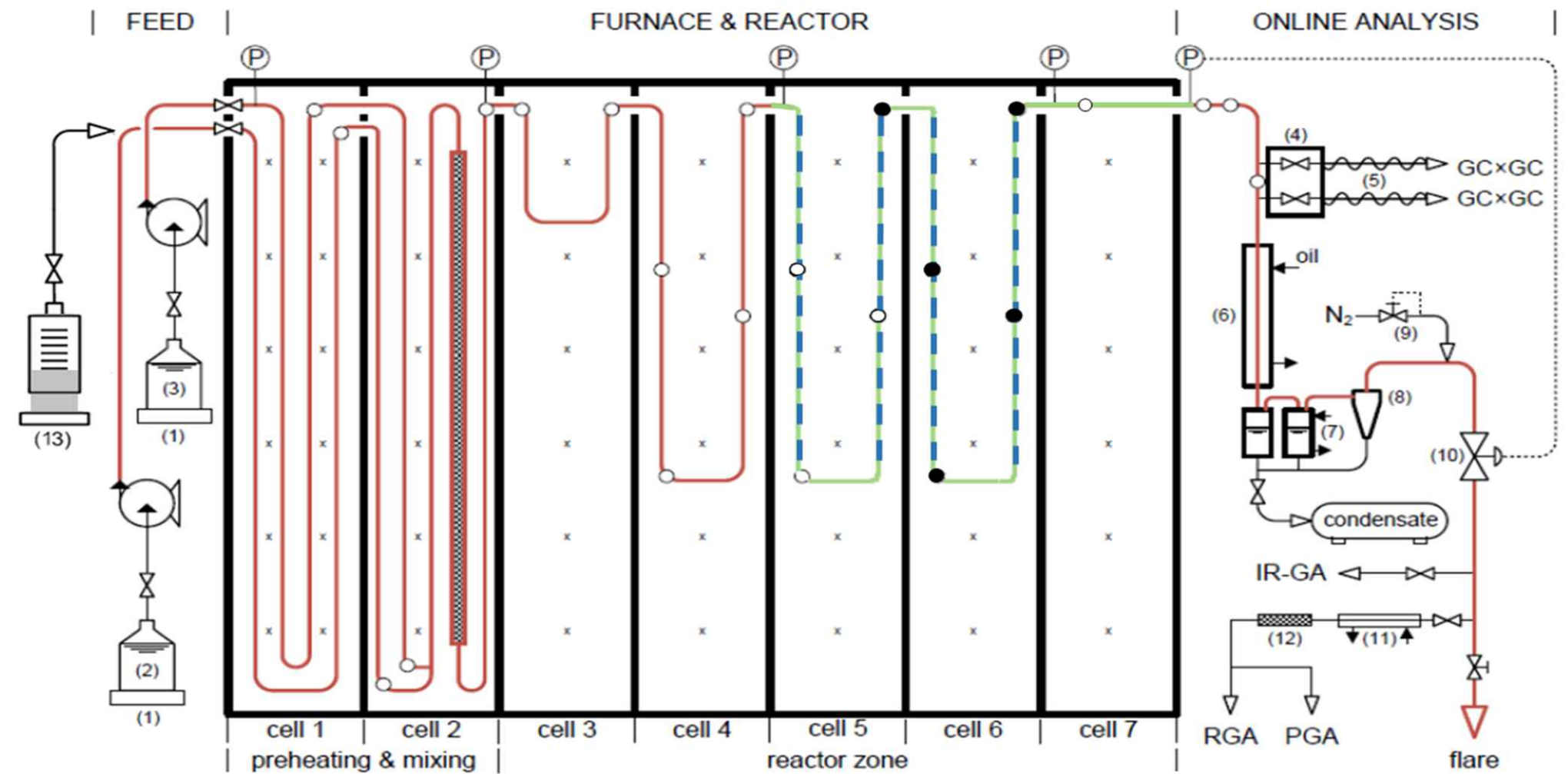
- Local heat concentration
- Internal stresses due to temperature difference
- Imbalance of sunny/shady sides
- More carburization/maintenance

TEST RIGS

Plug-Flow-Reactor + Electrobalance



Pilot Plant



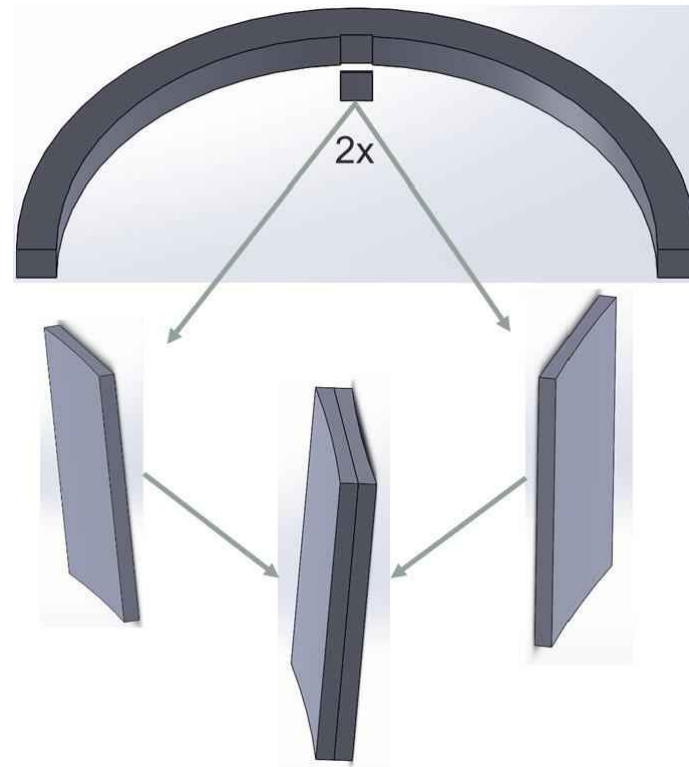
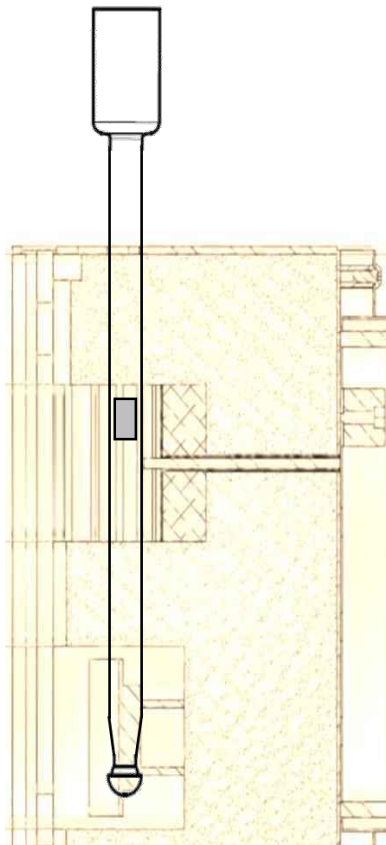
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TEST RIGS

Plug-Flow-Reactor + Electrobalance

...can measure exact coking rates of real tube surfaces under industrial steam cracking conditions



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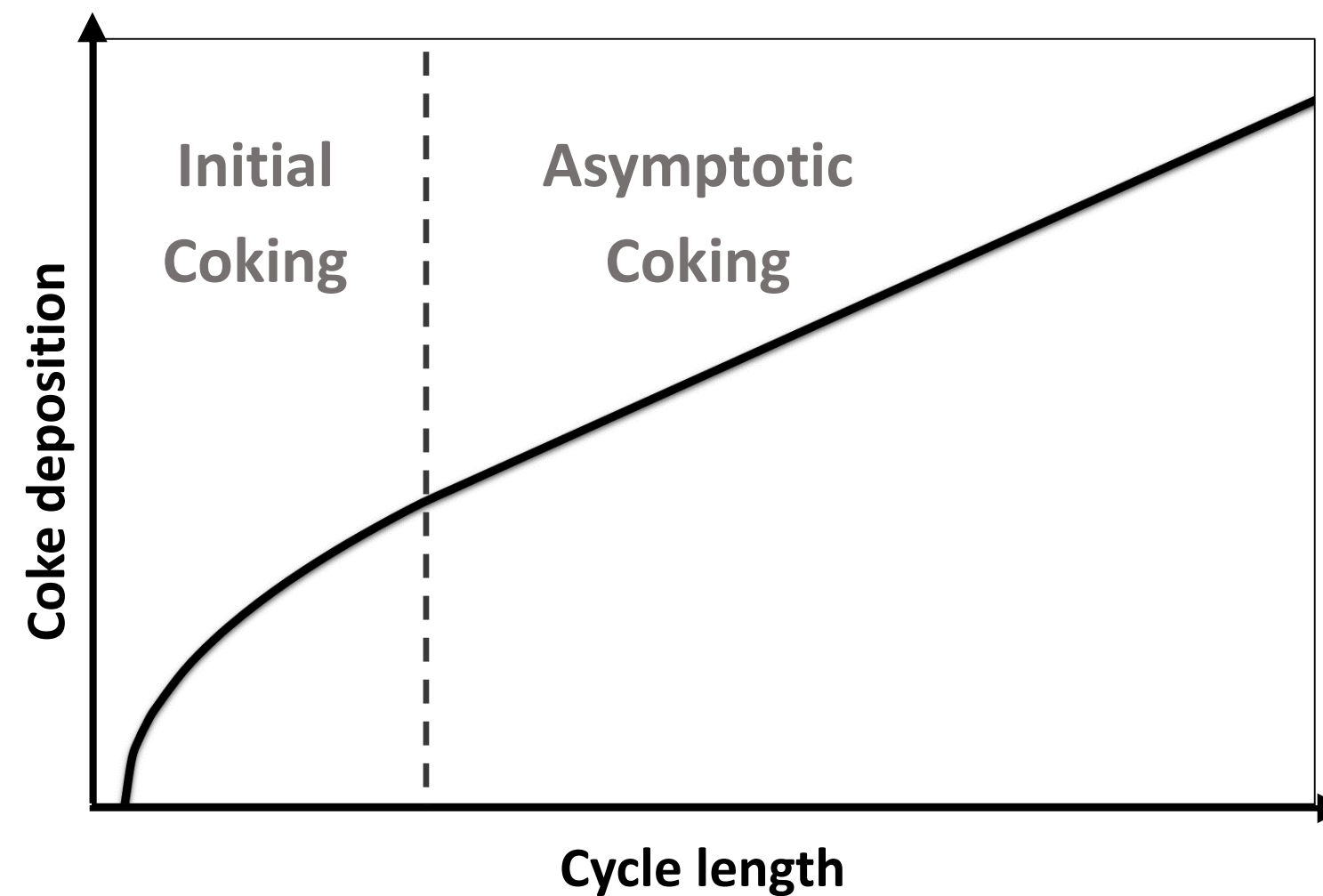
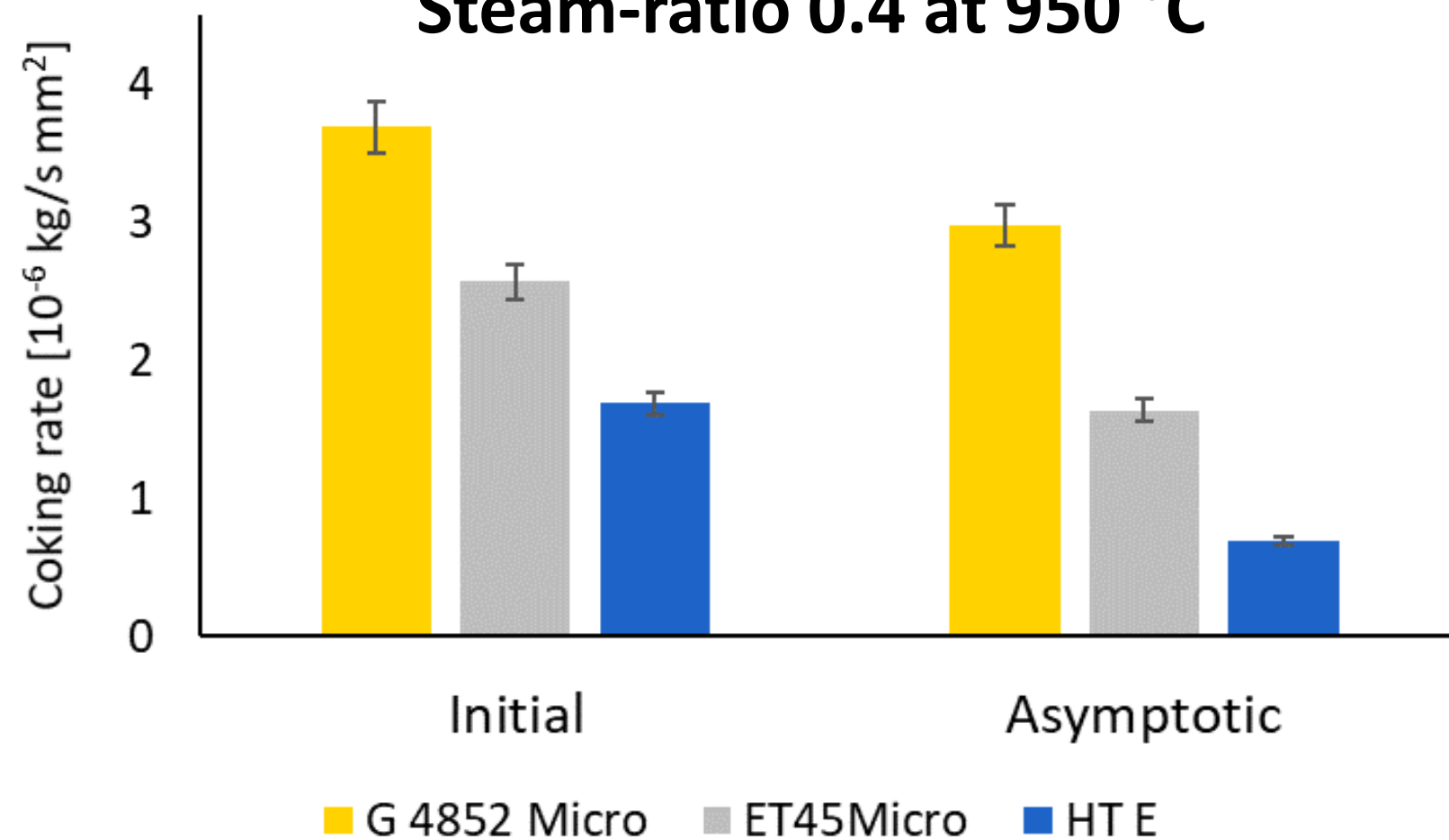
1. Start-up with steam
2. Ageing Procedure (TMT 1050°C)
3. Cracking/Coking test

COKING RATES PFR

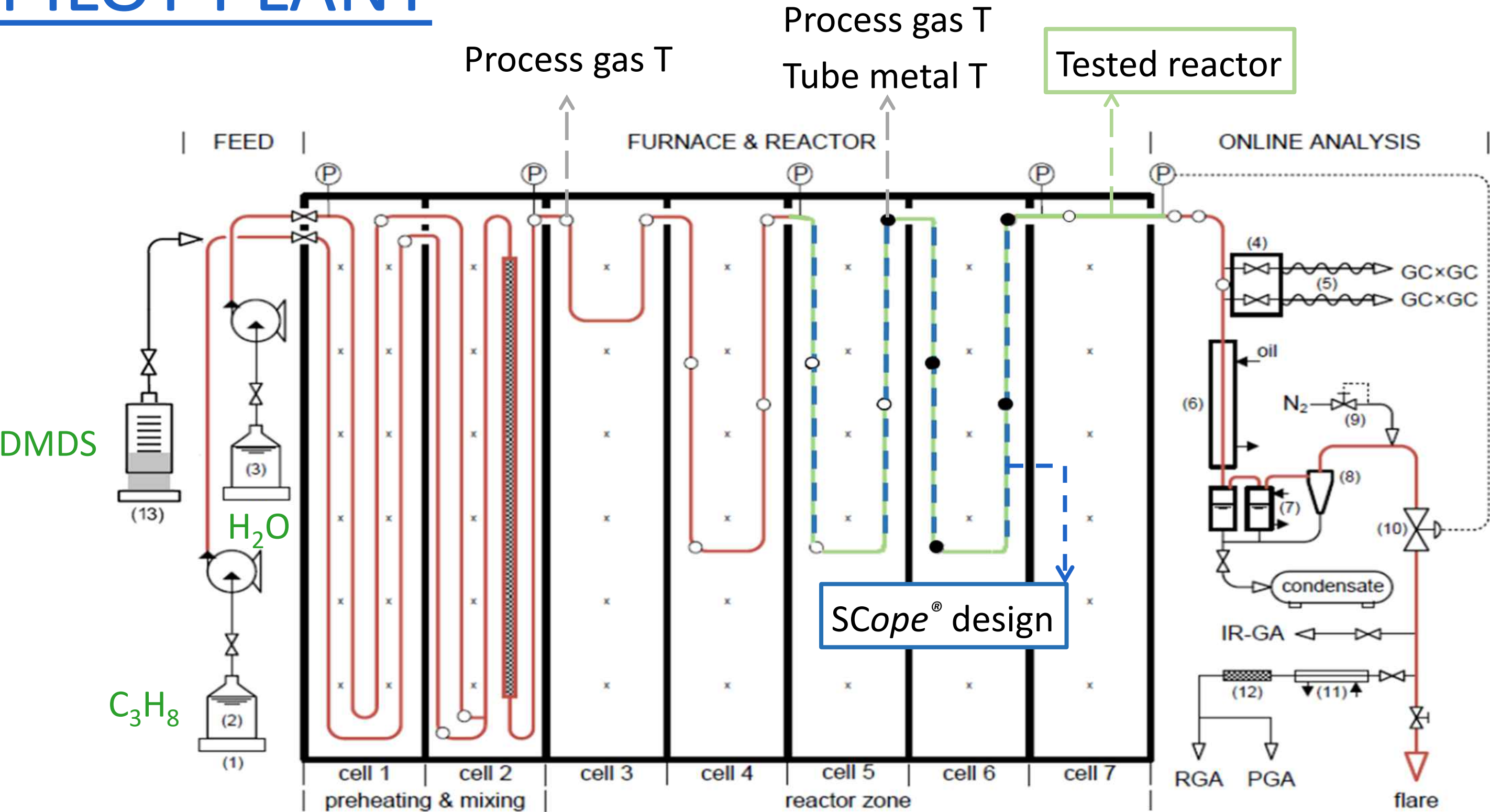
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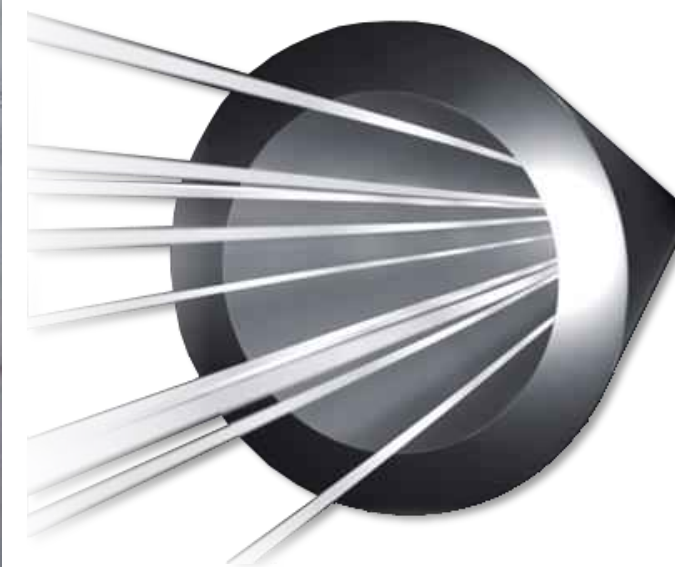
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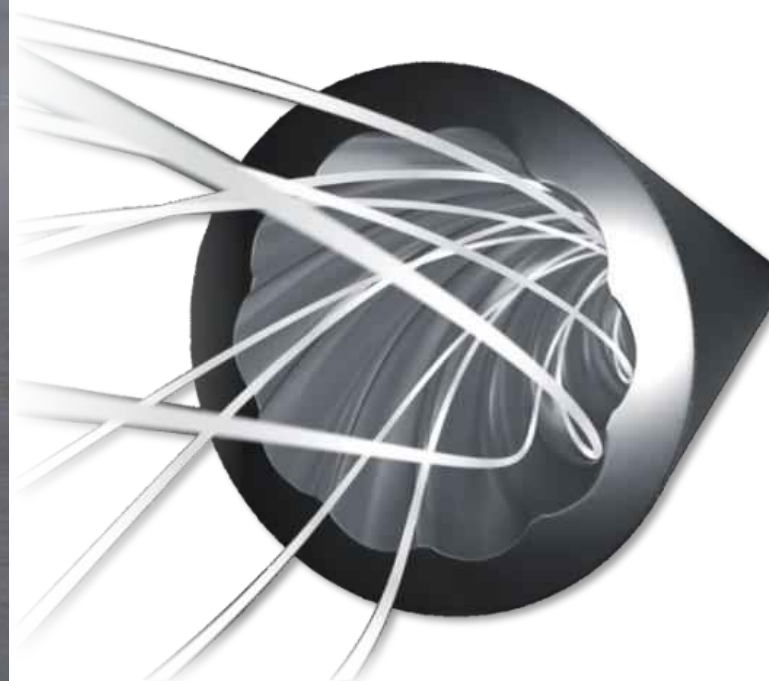
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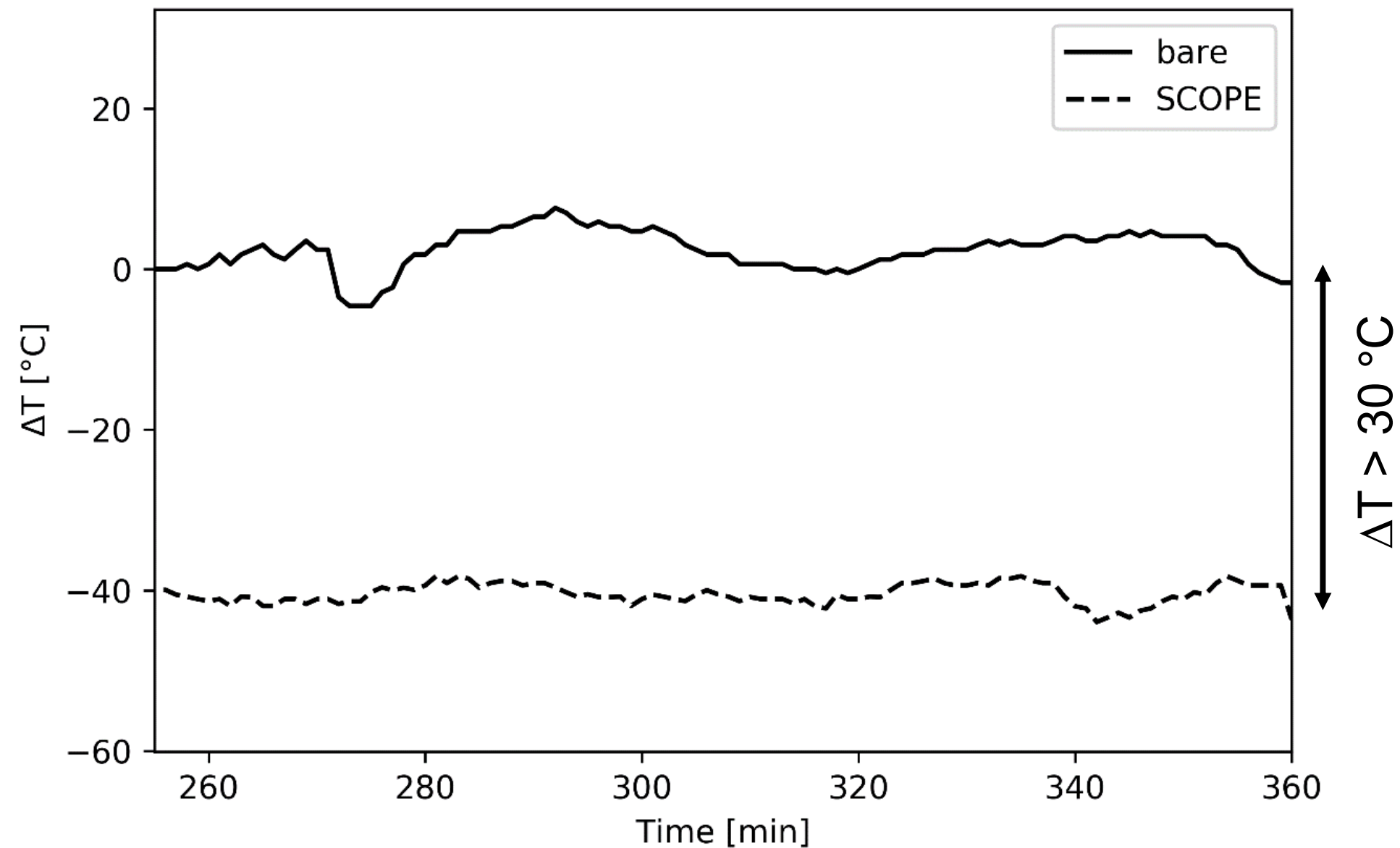
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EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM



✓ Prior to each Cracking Cycle (CC) a presulfiding step was performed

TUBE METAL TEMPERATURES



Pyrometer

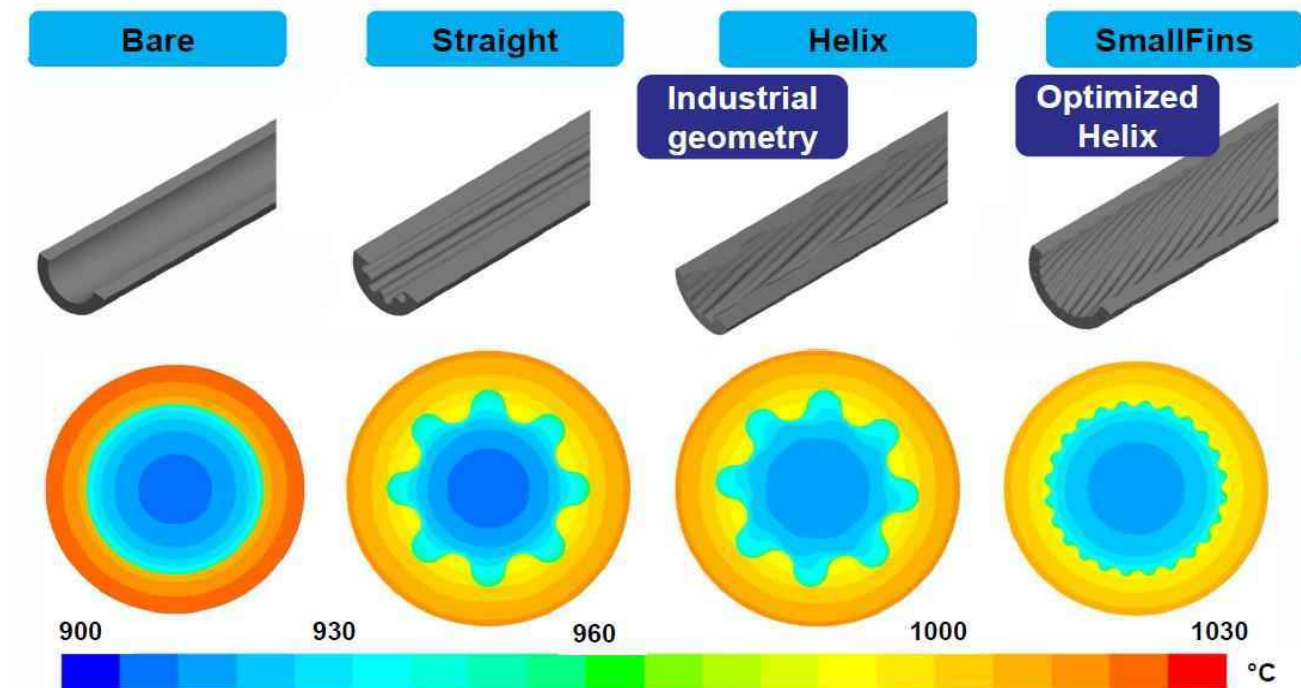


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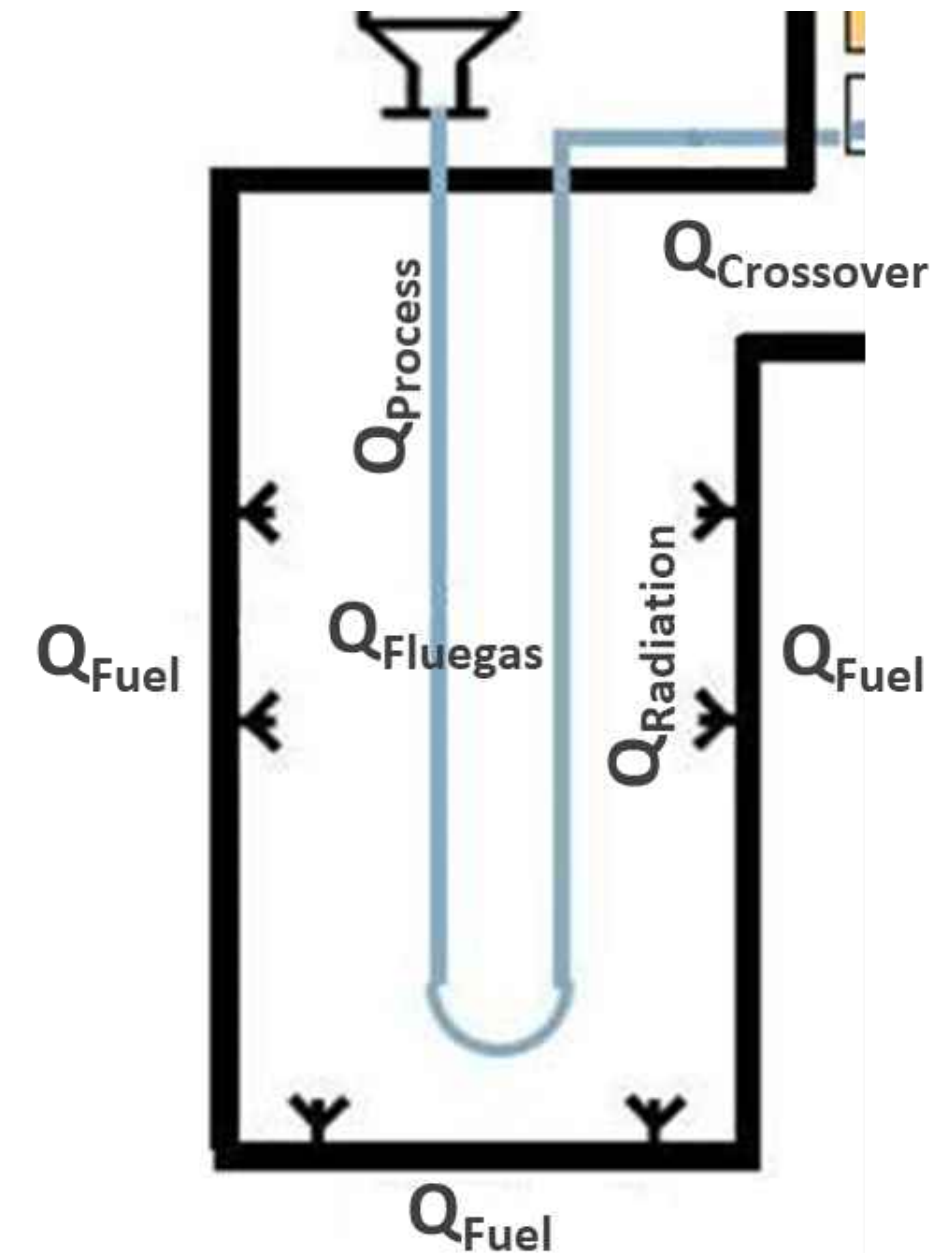
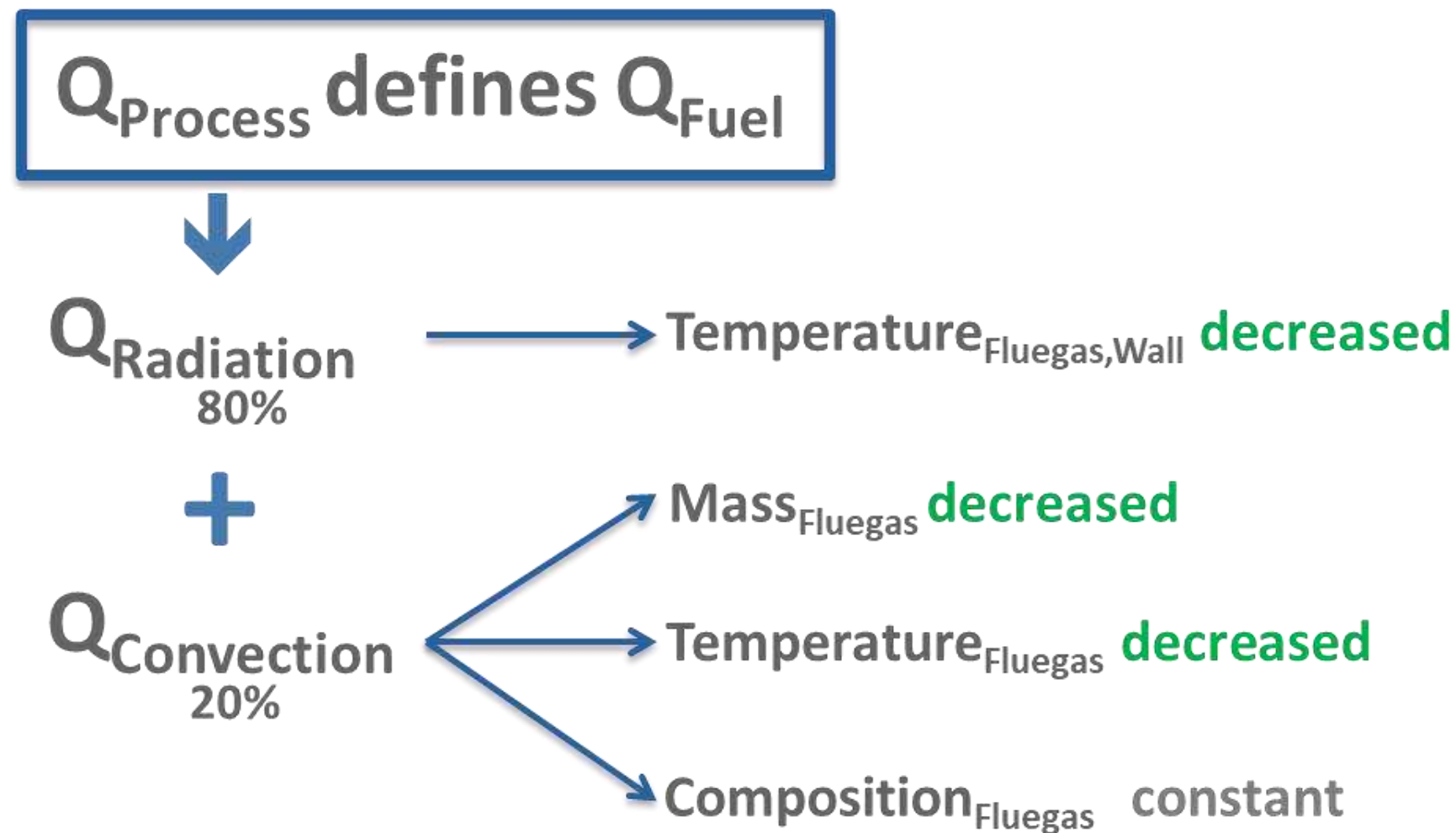
Result

~10% lower
Fuel gas consumption

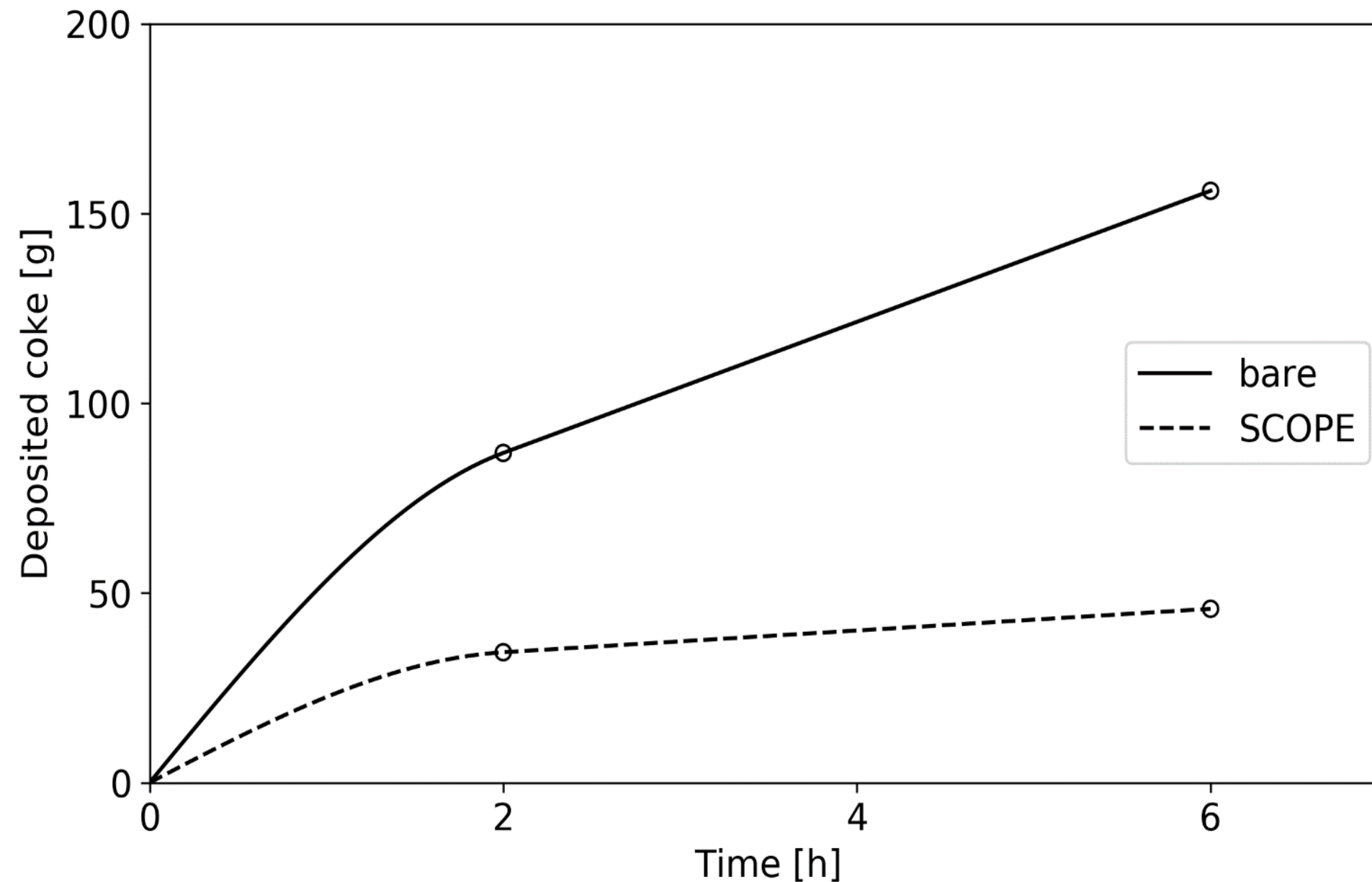


TUBE METAL TEMPERATURES

30 °C lower tube metal temperature reduces fuel consumption by ~ 10 % (based on Pilot Plant measurement)

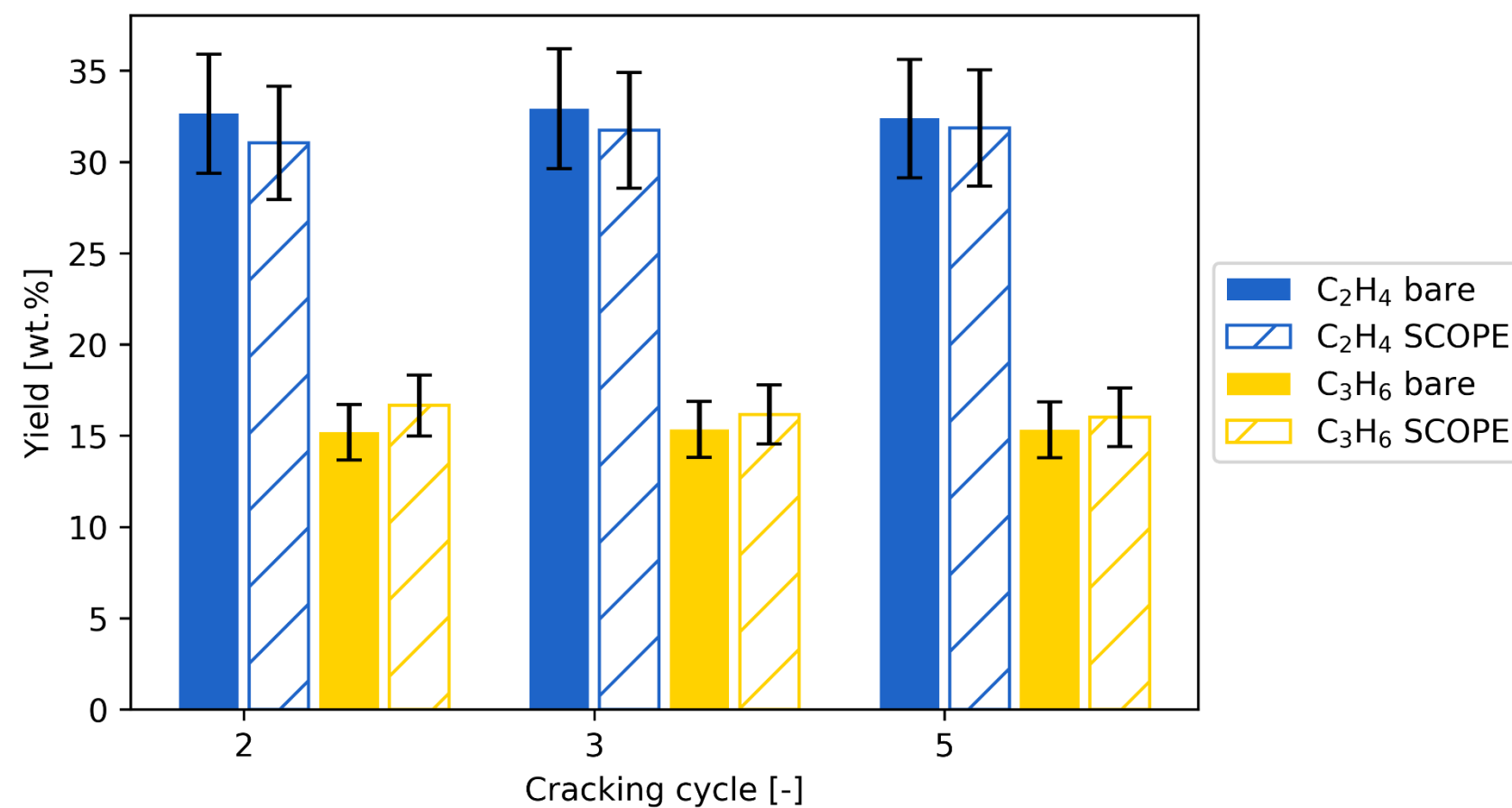


COKE DEPOSITION

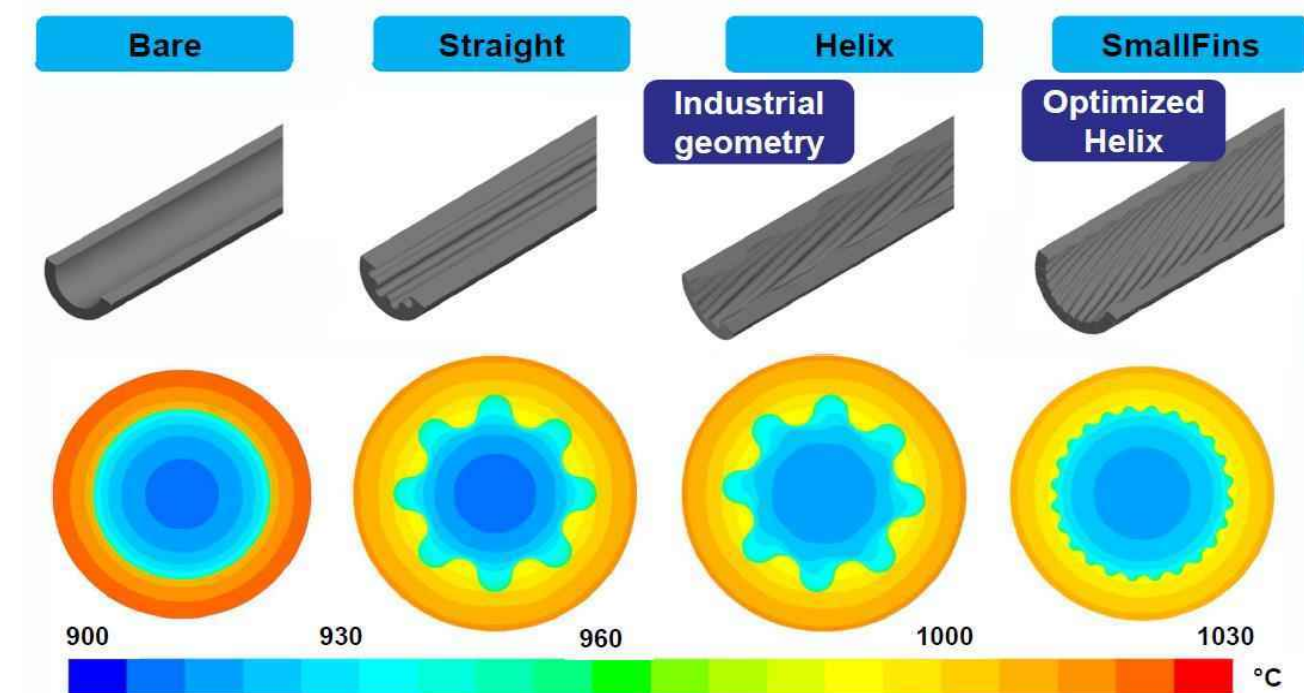


- Homogenisation of the cracking gas temperature due to better mixing
→ reduced coke formation
- Better mixing in combination with increased heat transfer leads to lower tube metal temperatures, while maintaining the same cracking severity
→ reduced firebox firing rate
- Overall positive effect on initial and asymptotic coking rate

PRODUCT YIELDS



Reduced over-cracking near wall



CONCLUSIONS

- HT E features the lowest coking rates due to formation of stable $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ scale (initial and asymptotic)
- After high temperature (end-of-run) exposure HT E performs better
(S. Symoens et al. EPC 2018 [ref])
- Combining the advanced coil material (HT E) and novel 3D reactor design (SCOPE[®]) leads to:
 - ✓ Increased run lengths
 - ✓ Improved product selectivity
 - ✓ Longer lifetime of the reactor coils
 - ✓ Higher energy efficiency of the furnace

HT E & SCOPE – APPLICATIONS IN INDUSTRY

HT E: 365

No. of Furnaces	Design	Feed
10	SRT I	Gas
1	PC 1-1	Gas
7	USC M	Gas
1	HS-I	Gas
3	MS	Gas
64	SRT III	Gas / Naphtha
9	SRT IV (HC)	Gas / Naphtha
30	SRT IV (HS) / V	Gas / Naphtha
16	PC 2-2	Gas / Naphtha
11	PC 4-2	Gas / Naphtha
28	USC U	Gas / Naphtha
16	USC W	Gas / Naphtha
18	MK	Gas / Naphtha
42	SMK	Gas / Naphtha
33	Individual	Gas / Naphtha
13	UDC	Gas / Naphtha
21	SRT VI	Gas / Naphtha
2	SRT 1.5	Naphtha
21	PC 1-1	Naphtha
4	GK2	Naphtha
3	GK3	Naphtha
5	GK4	Naphtha
7	GK5	Naphtha
365		

SCOPE: 17

No. of Furnaces	Design	Feed
2	MS	Gas
1	1-Pass	Gas
2	2-Pass	Gas / Naphtha
1	U-Coil	Naphtha
1	Individual	Gas
3	PC 1-1	Naphtha
1	PC 2-2	Naphtha
1	GK2	Naphtha
1	GK4	Naphtha
4	SRT V	Naphtha
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Low-Emission Cracking Furnace

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IMPROOF workshop
32nd Ethylene producers conference

Sunday 16 August 2020

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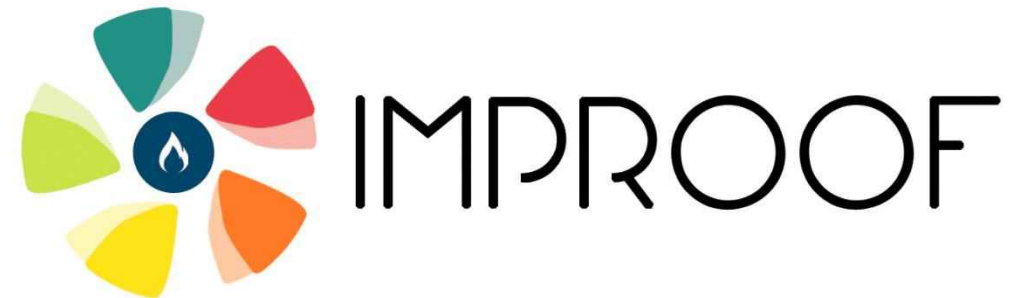
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2. Conventional cracking furnace flow sheet
3. Low-emission cracking furnace flow sheet
4. Benefits of low-emission cracking furnace
5. Shaping a new integration concept
6. Impact on ethylene plant flow sheet
7. Energy balance across the ethylene plant
8. Relative CO₂ emission per ton of products
9. Operational expenditure evaluation
10. Conclusion

SPIRE IMPROOF project*

IMPROOF is a European project aiming at improving the energy efficiency of steam cracking furnaces, while reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and NOx.

Objectives

- Reducing specific emissions of greenhouse gases and NOx by at least 25%
- Cost effective



*** Website: <https://improof.cerfacs.fr/>**

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Conventional furnace

Convection section:

- Preheating, evaporation and superheating hydrocarbon feedstock (FPH, HTC I&II)
- Dilution steam superheating (DSSH)
- Boiler feed water (BFW) preheating (ECO)
- High pressure steam superheating (HPSSH I&II)

Radiant coil:

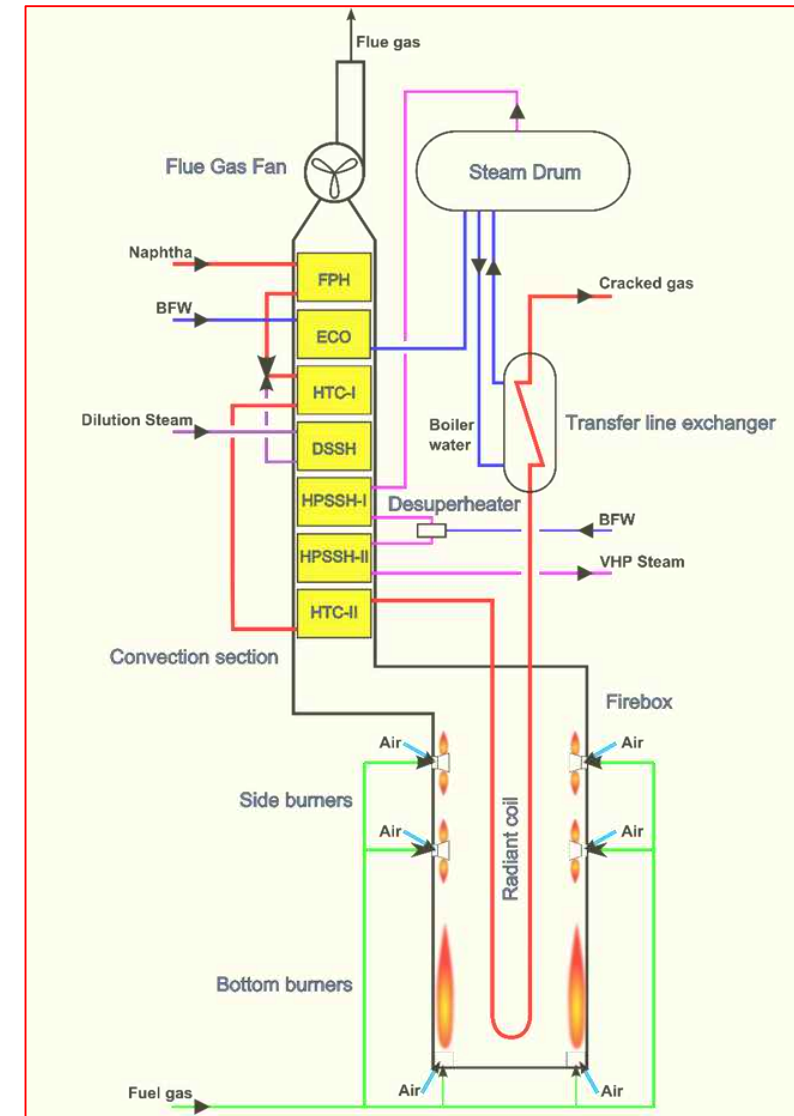
- Pyrolysis of feedstock

Effluent:

- Saturated steam generation (Transfer line exchanger, TLE)

Firebox:

- Combustion of fuel gas firing (Bottom and side burners)



Low-emission cracking furnace

Convection section:

- *Air preheat (APH)*
- Preheating, evaporation and *initial* superheating hydrocarbon feedstock (FPH, HTC)
- Dilution steam superheating (DSSH)
- High pressure steam superheating (HPSSH I&II)
- *Saturated steam generation (BOILER)*
No BFW preheat

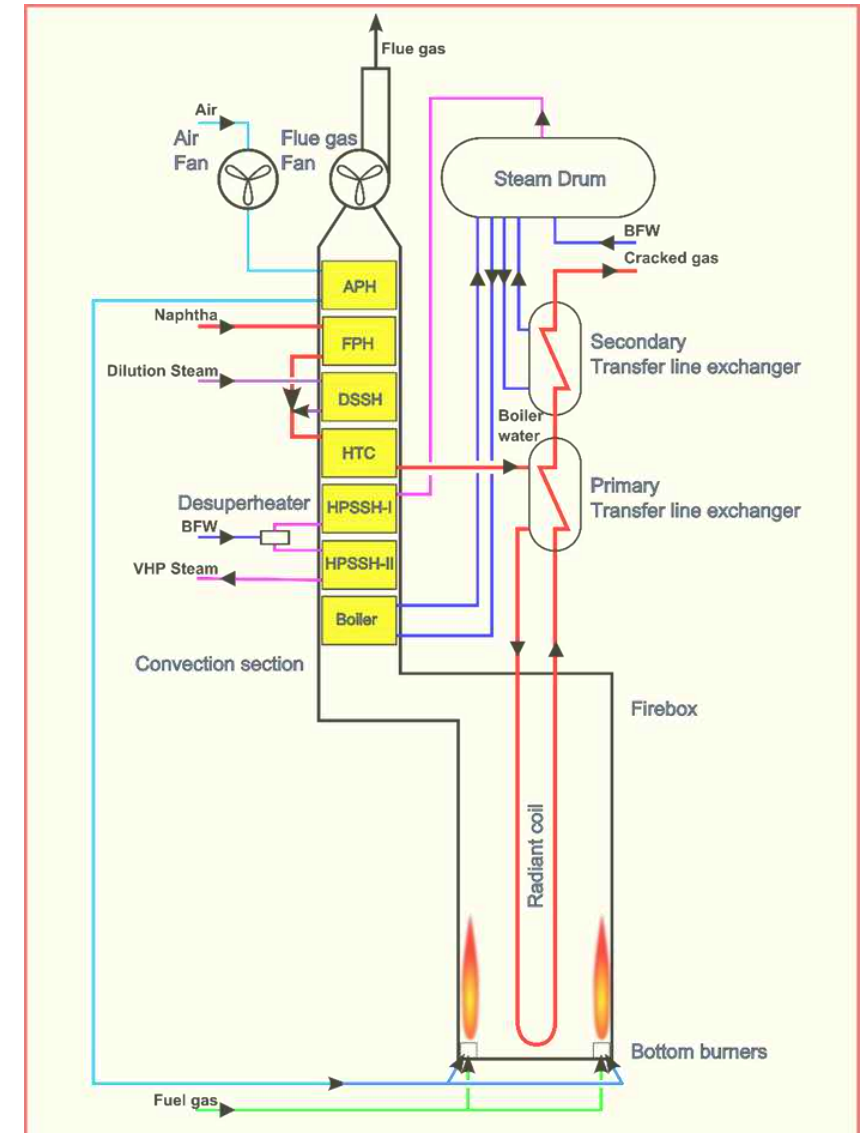
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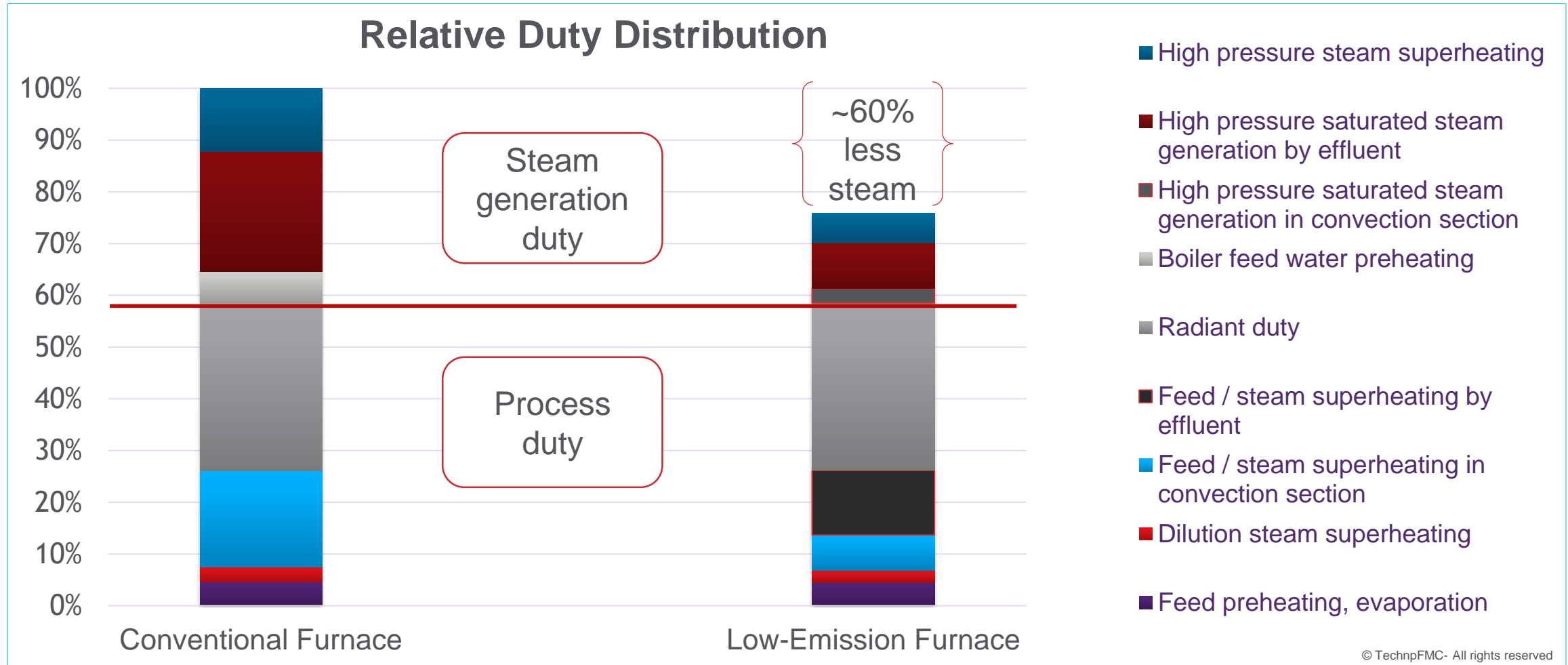
- *Final feedstock superheating (Primary TLE)*
- Saturated steam generation (Secondary TLE)

Firebox:

- Combustion of fuel gas firing (*Bottom burners only*)



Redistribution of duties in favor of process duty



IMPROOF project targets achieved

Low-emission cracking furnace

- **CO2 emissions can be reduced by 30%**
 - Exceeding expectations
- **Design is cost effective.**
 - Estimated pay-back time roughly 1 year
 - Improved operating margins, especially under difficult market conditions



Objectives Achieved

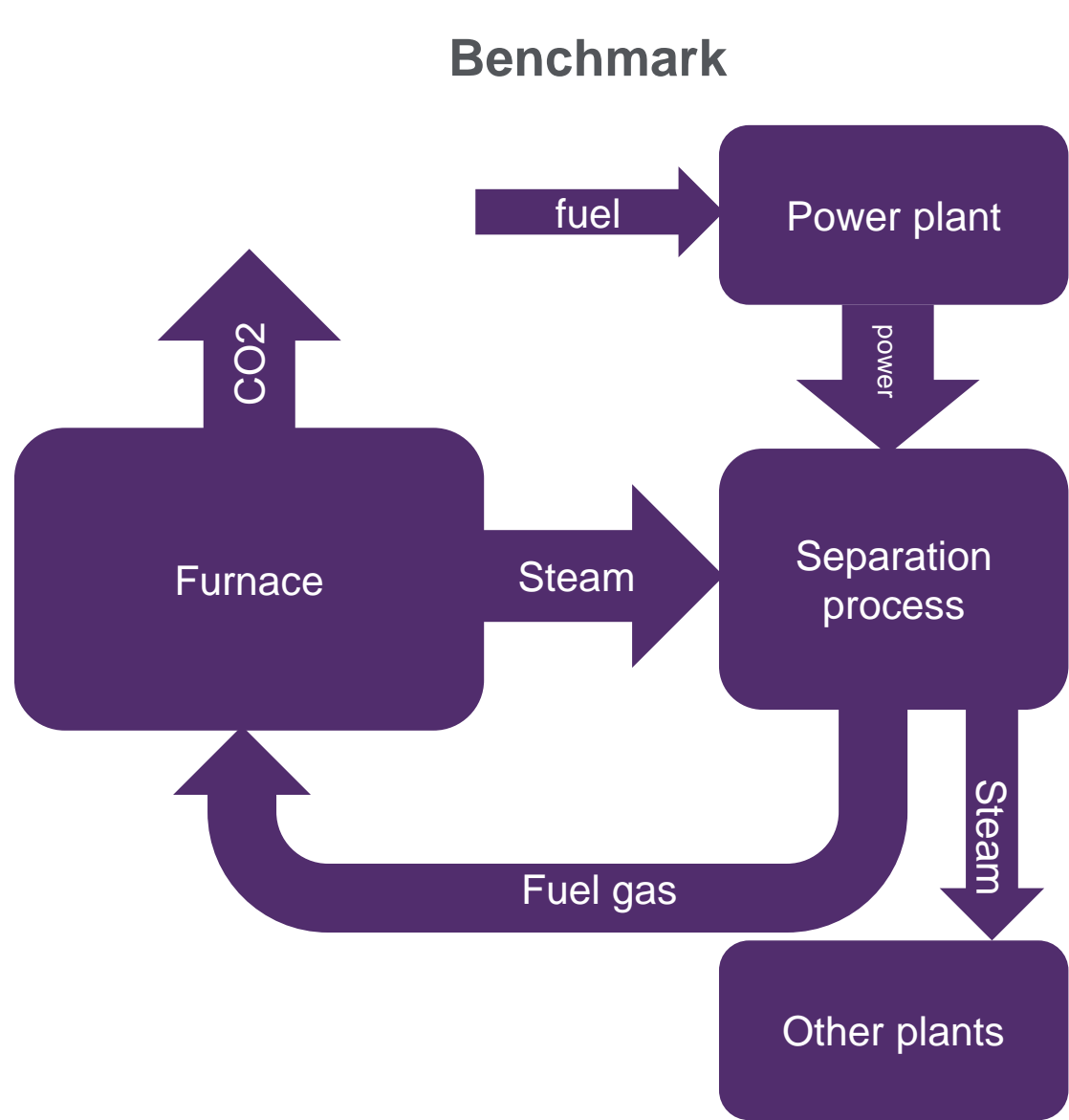
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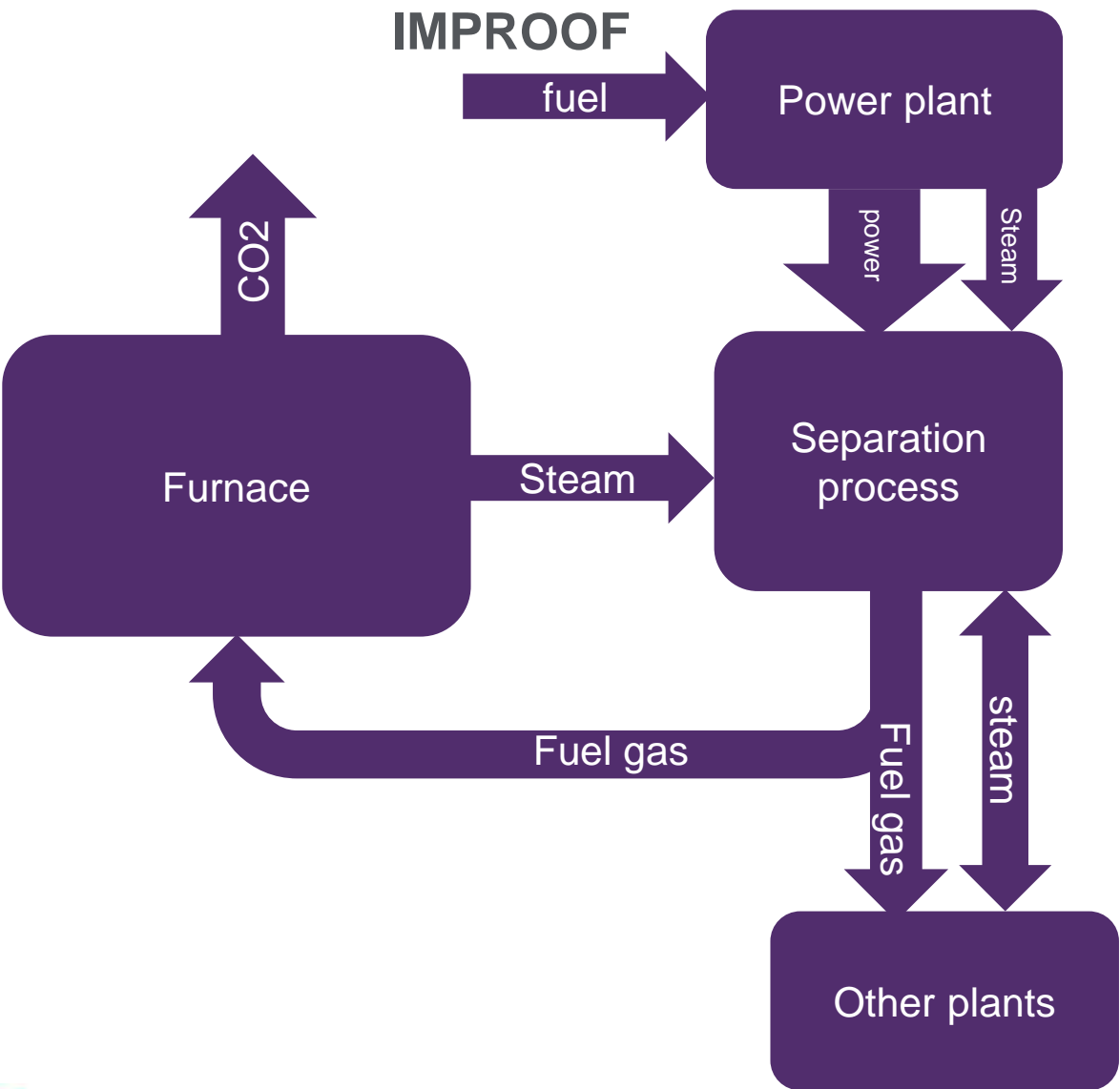
Low-emission cracking furnace

Shaping a new integration concept

Benchmark

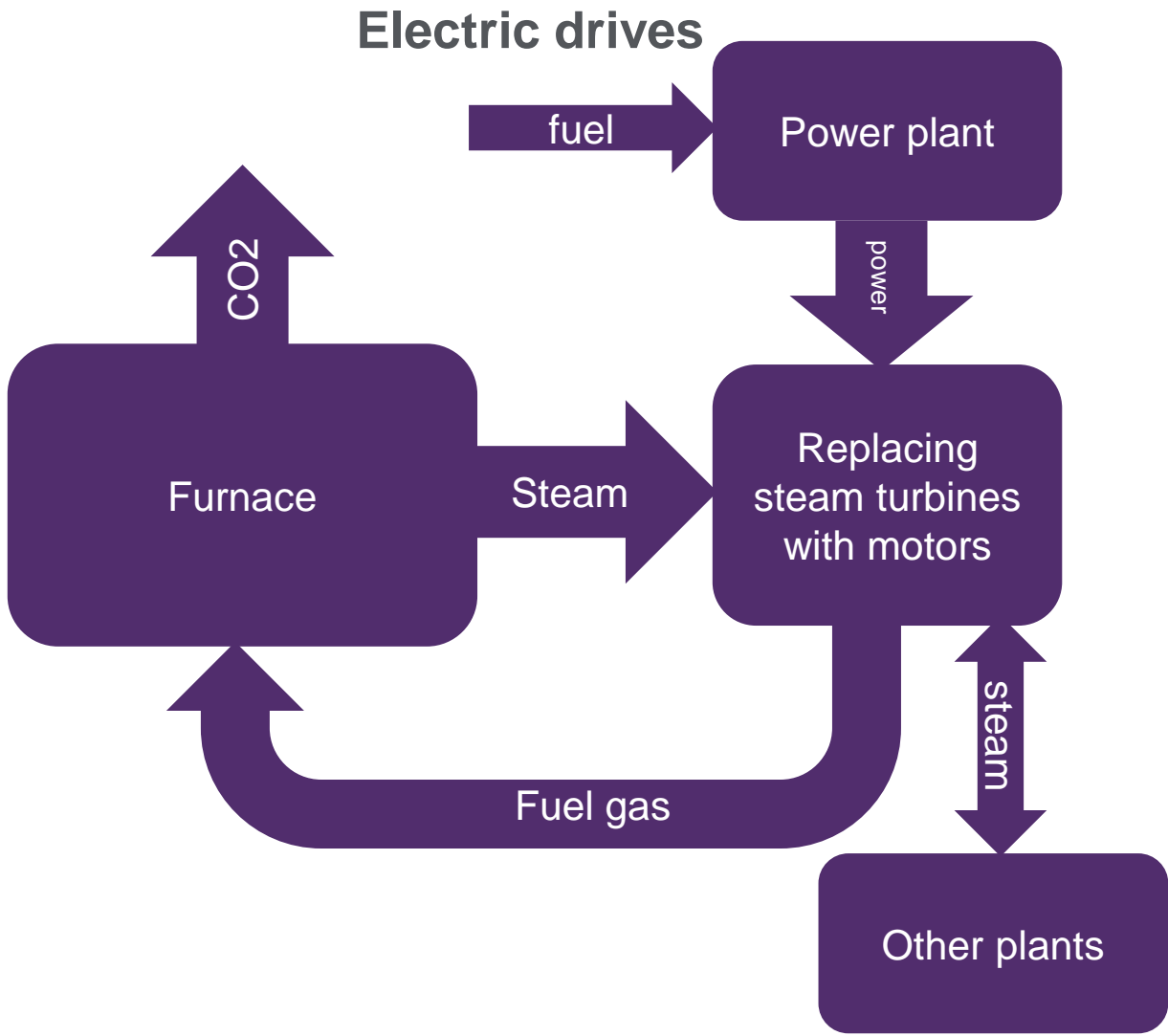


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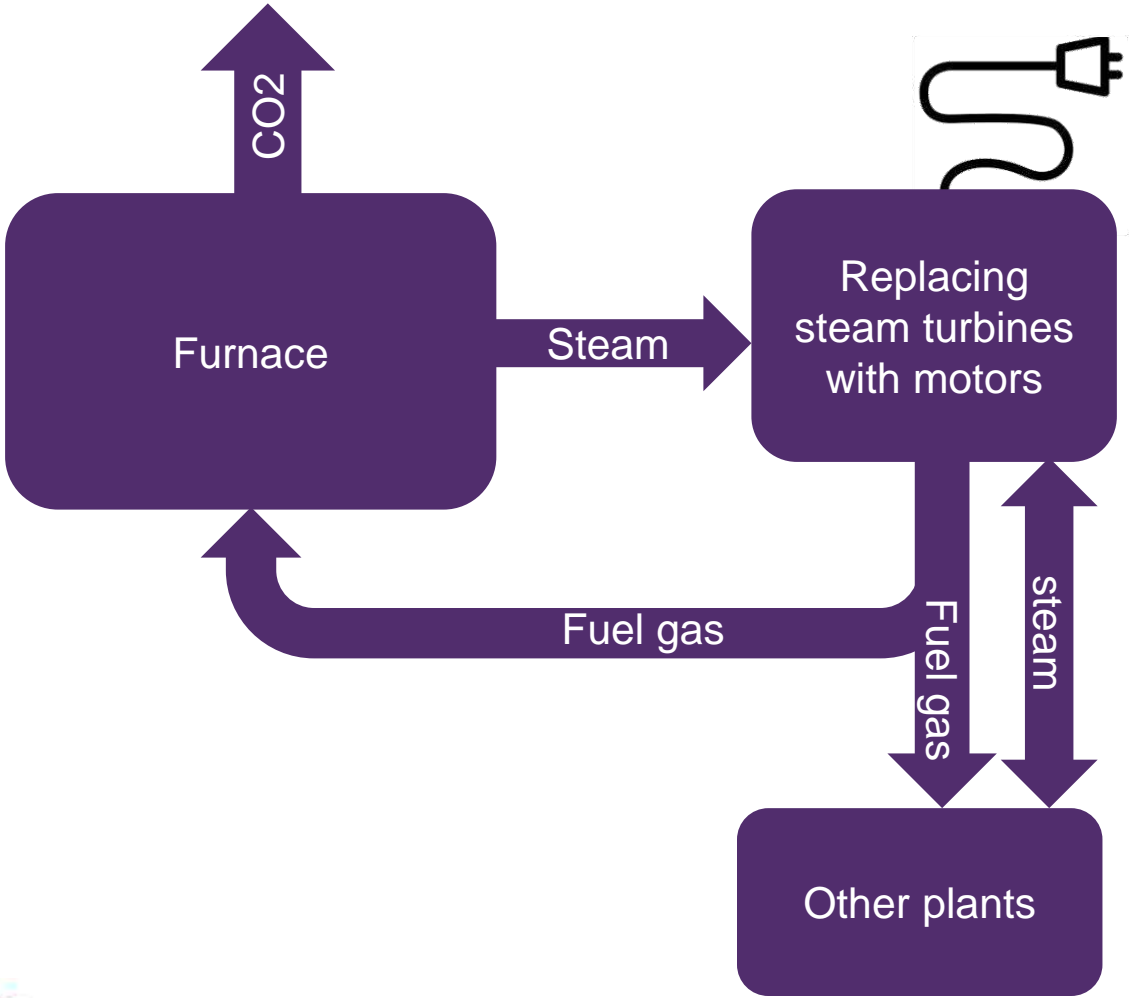


Shaping a new integration concept

Electric drives



CO₂ neutral power



Impact on ethylene plant flowsheet

Existing plant

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- Switch to electrical motors
- Adjust steam grid to maintain steam balance
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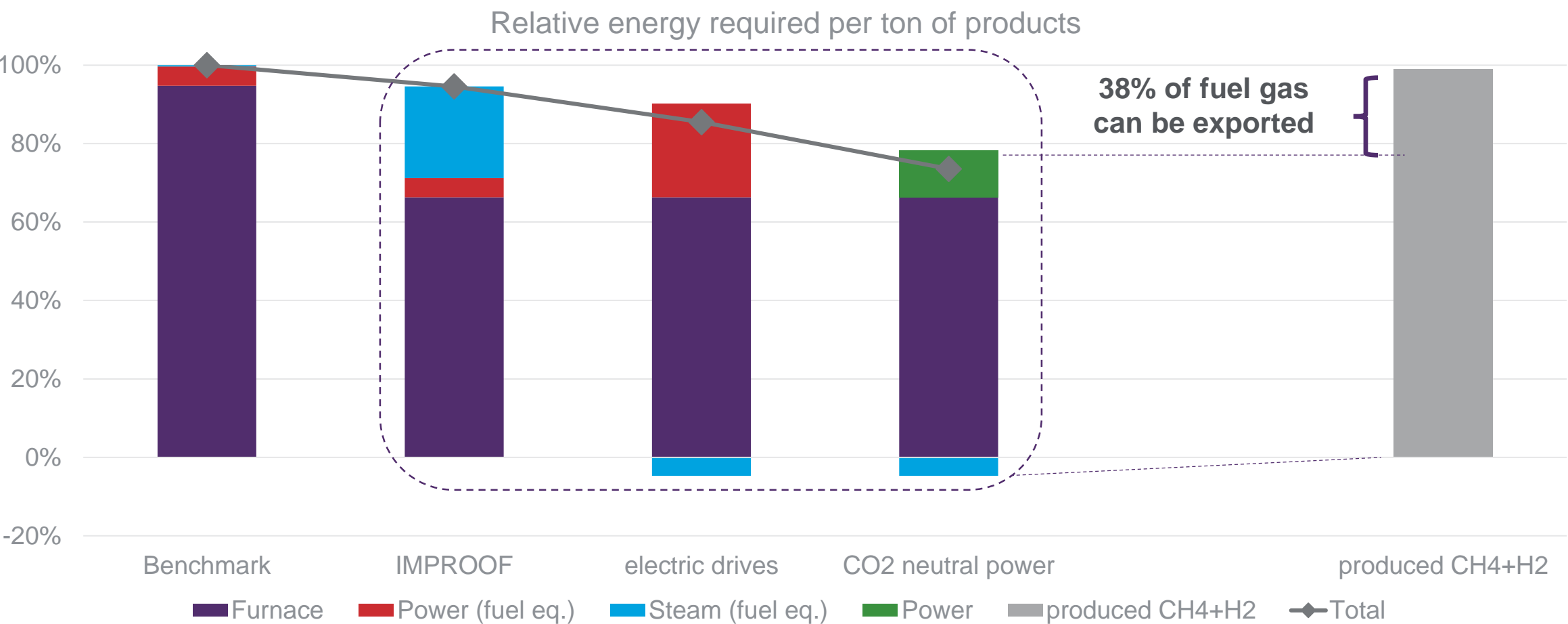
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Add-on cracking furnace

- Possible, especially in plant's with excess high pressure steam production



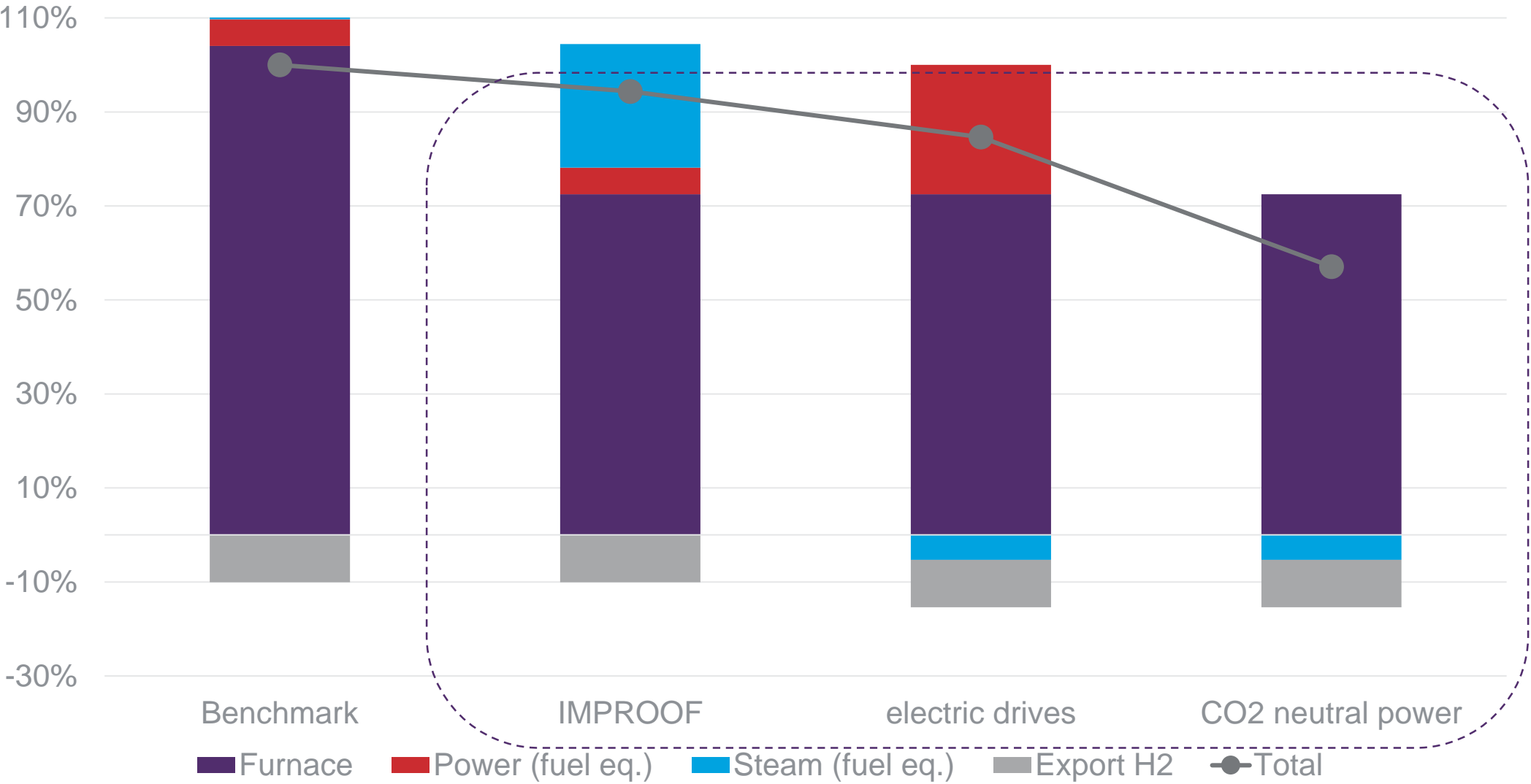
Energy balance across the ethylene plant



*CO₂ neutral power generated by solar panels or wind turbines
Electrical efficiency of solar or wind energy not included*



Relative CO₂ emission per ton of products

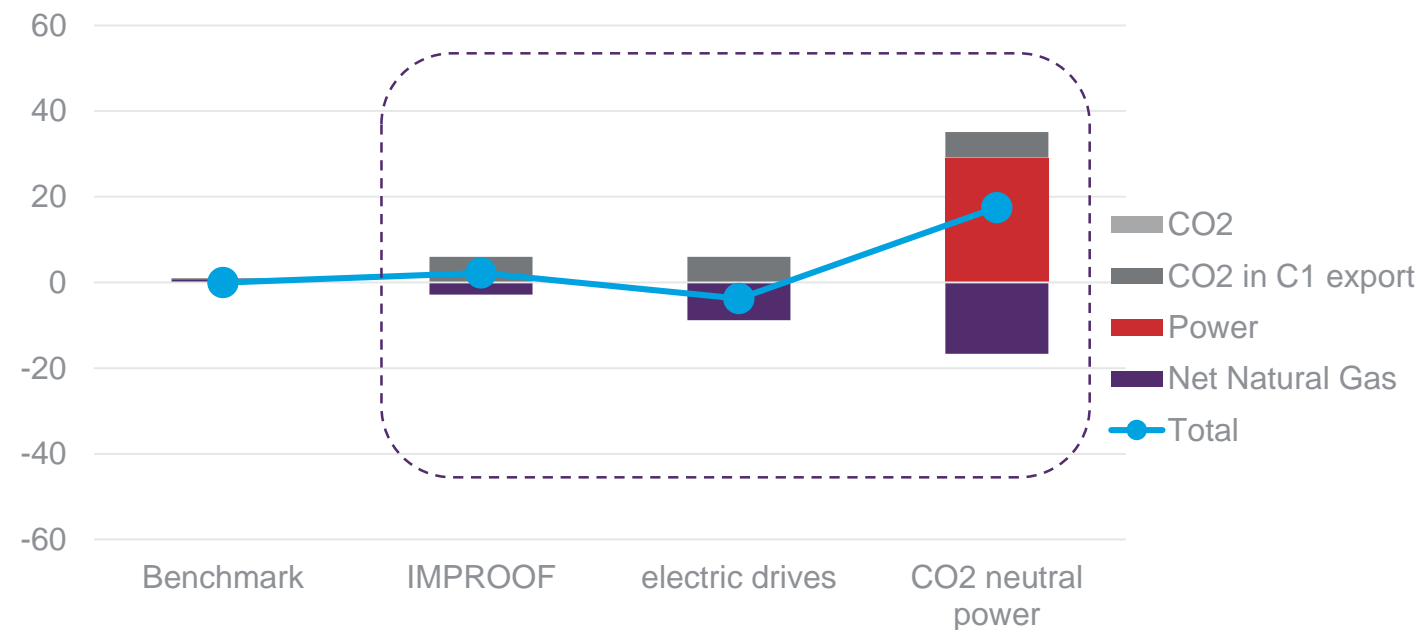


Operational expenditure evaluation

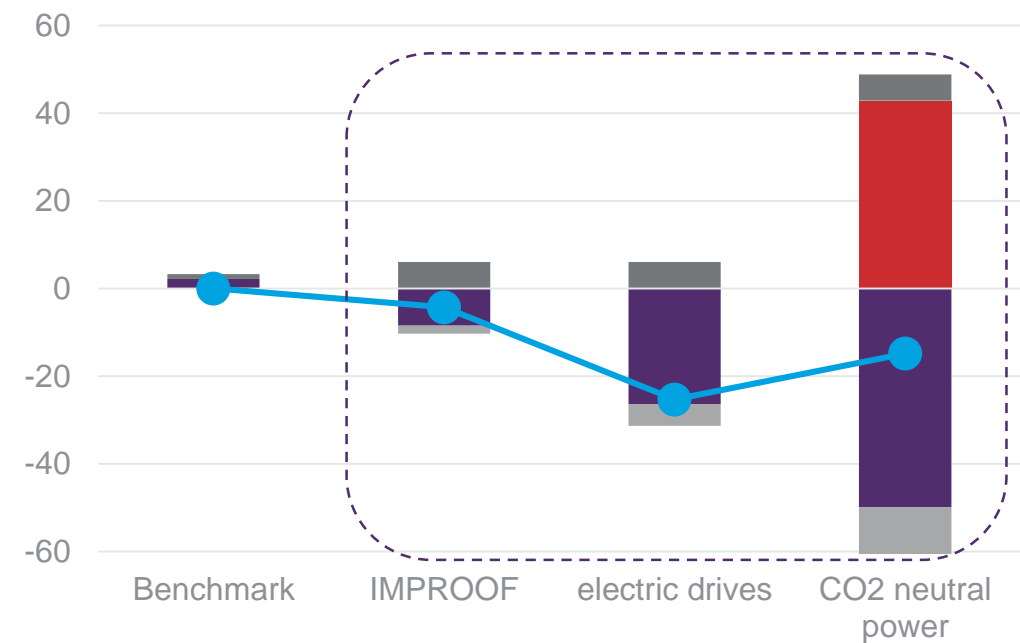
Cost elements contributing to the differentiation of cost for energy and emissions

CO2 cost for direct emissions is not included

Relative cost of energy & emissions
in EUR per ton of ethylene in 2016



Relative cost of utilities & emissions
in EUR per ton of ethylene in 2035



*The evaluation relies on CO₂, natural gas and electric power prices for 2016 as reported by the Dutch Central office of Statistics

Price-set	Units	2016	2035
CO ₂ Emissions	EUR/MT of CO ₂	5.2	24.7
Power	Eur/MWh	33.7	49.6
Natural Gas	Eur/MWh	9.1	27.3



Conclusion

The Low-Emission Cracking Furnace

- Reduces CO₂ emissions at furnace stack by 30%
- If the low emission furnace is combined with motor drives, net CO₂ reduction is 15%
- Access to CO₂ neutral power can reduce CO₂ emissions by 40%
- Cost of energy depends largely on future natural gas and power prices





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