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# Economics modelling CCS

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- Very different views on the competitiveness of CCS
- Sensitivity to assumptions technologies, fuel and carbon prices etc
- Need to examine end-to-end economics and optimise system across the chain

DTI support – report available on:

http://www.dti.gov.uk/energy/sources/sustainable/carbon-abatement-tech/page19502.html



## Key Sources of information

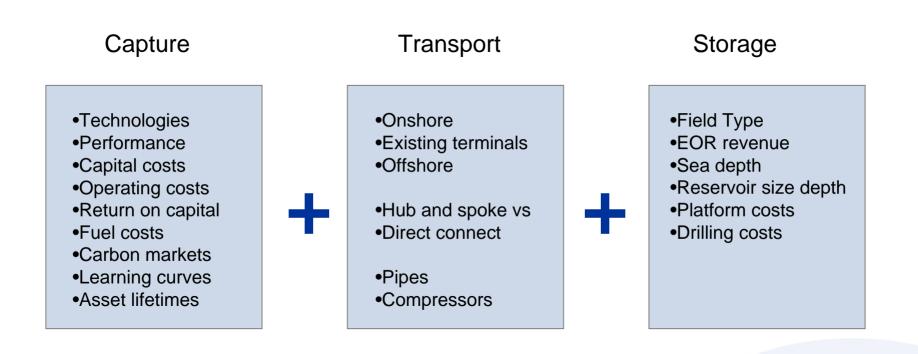
- International Energy Agency
- IPPC Report Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage
- British Geological Survey



## Economic assessments – a health warning

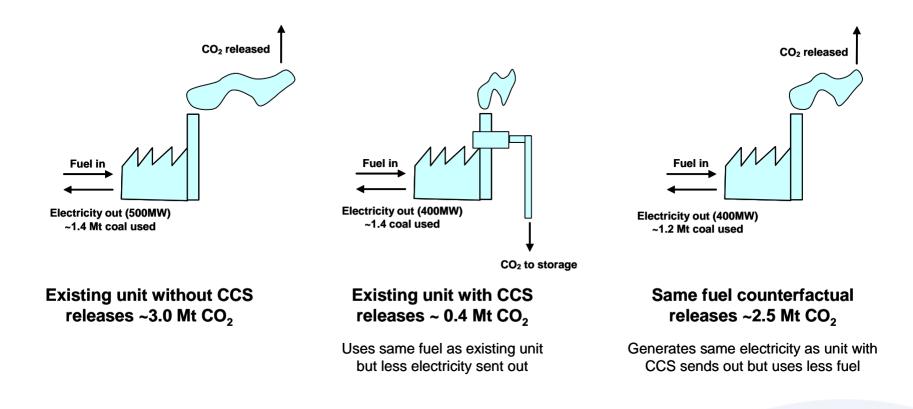
- Answers very dependent on view of "do-nothing"
  - Company investment economics likely to be based on current assets
  - Traditional currency of abatement is vs CCGT alternative
- Abatement £/tonne figures for coal plant are very sensitive to choice of counterfactual







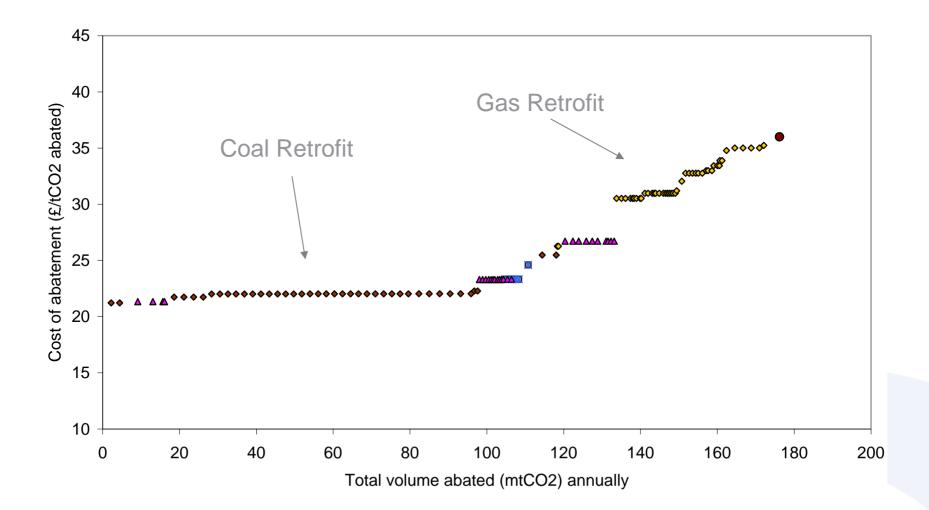
### Abatement v capture



- More CO<sub>2</sub> is captured than abated
- CO<sub>2</sub> captured is difference between the volume generated and released, ie 2.6 Mt
- CO<sub>2</sub> abated is difference between the volume counterfactual generates and that released, ie 2.1 Mt



## Capture economics



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## Transportation....

Transport costs depend on how much steel is required and how many booster are needed.

#### Both of these depend on



diameter

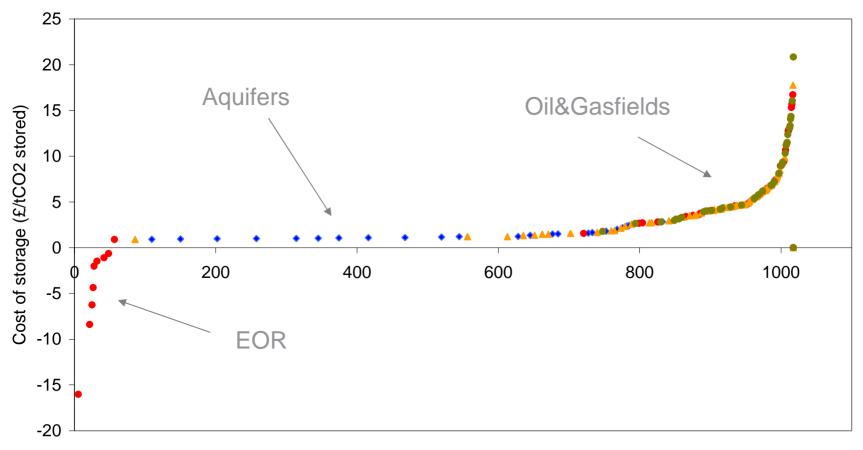
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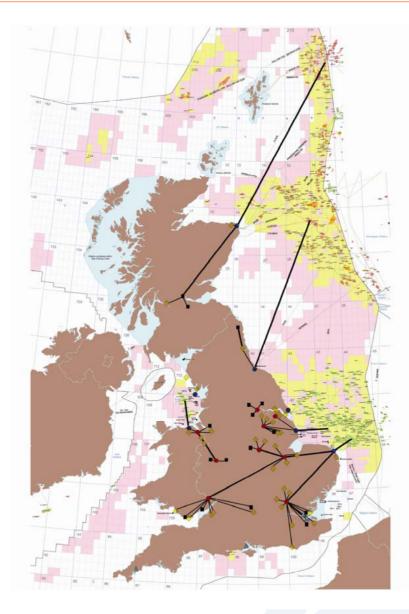
## **Storage economics**



Total volume stored (mtCO2) annually

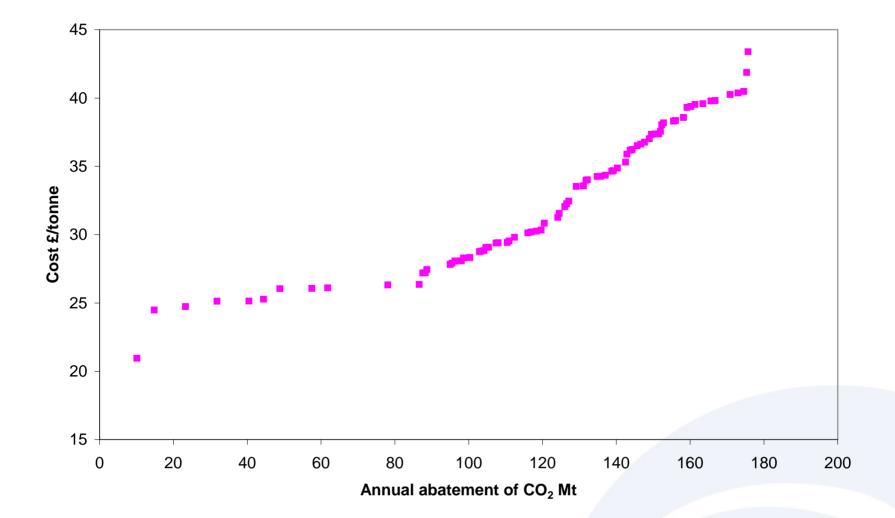
## Example transport infrastructure

- Model can optimise transport system to lowest cost fields
- Hub and spoke vs direct connect
- Assume terminal constraint



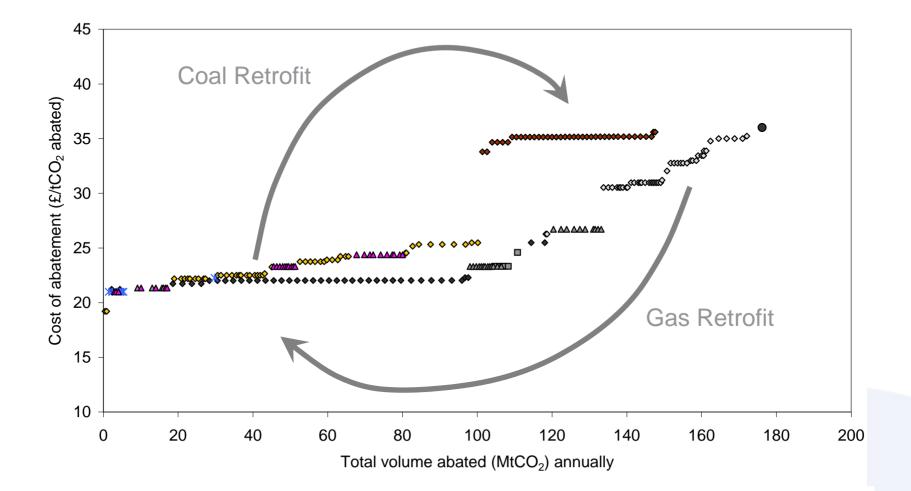


#### Basecase total cost curve



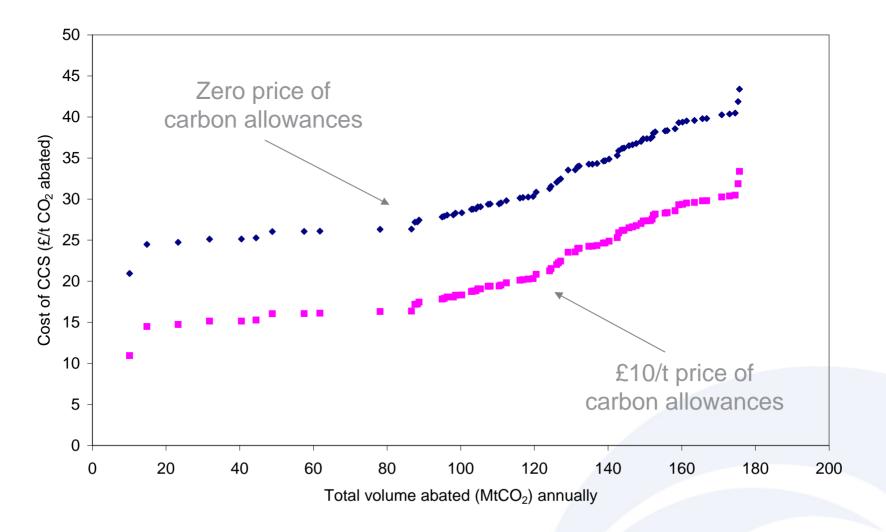
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#### Sensitivity to Fuel Prices



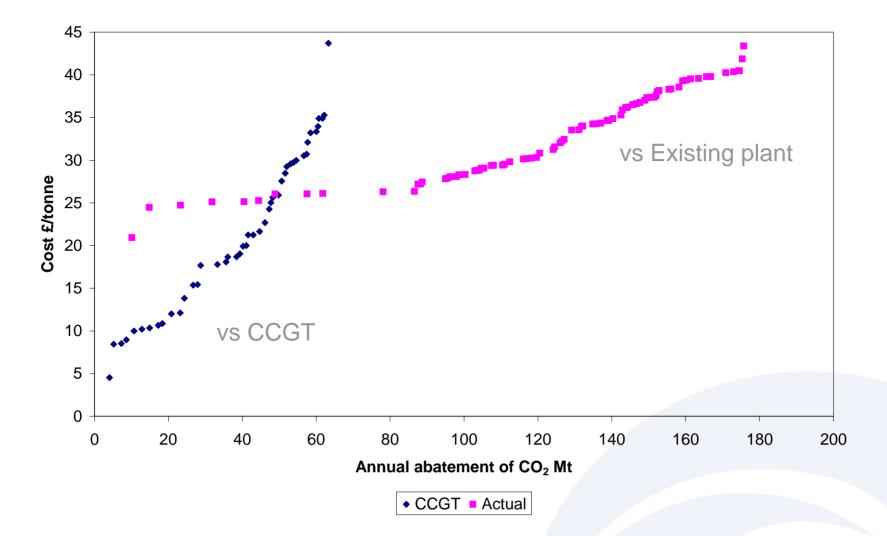
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## Sensitivity to Carbon Prices





## **Counterfactual differences**



- Significant potential for CCS at prices below £25/tonne
- Large sensitivity to inputs especially fuel
- Costs dominated by capture UK has some very cheap carbon storage sites





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