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# CCS, absolutely essential for the UK and the Rest of the World

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# What is CCS?

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Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) is a technology that can capture around 90% of the carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions produced from the use of fossil fuels in electricity generation and industrial processes, preventing the CO<sub>2</sub> from entering the atmosphere.

The CCS chain consists of three parts;

**1.Capturing** the CO<sub>2</sub> produced in electricity generation and industrial processes

- pre-combustion capture
- post-combustion capture
- oxyfuel combustion

**2.Transporting** the CO<sub>2</sub>

- by pipeline or by ship

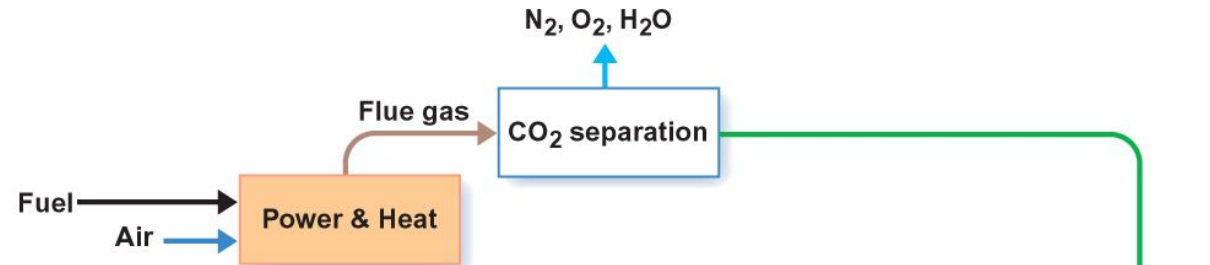
**3.Storing** the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions securely underground in depleted oil and gas fields or deep saline aquifer formations.



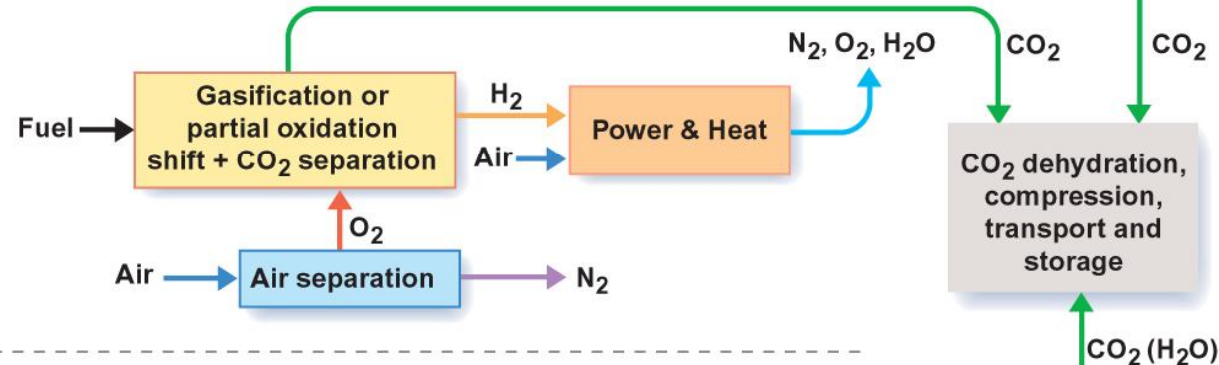
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# Capture Technologies

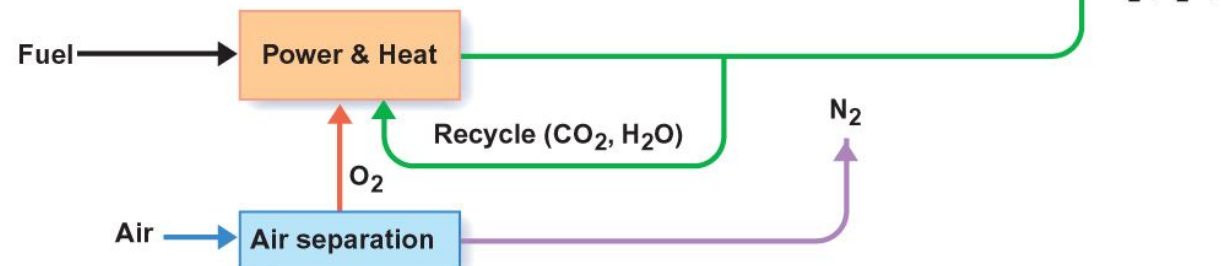
## Post-combustion capture



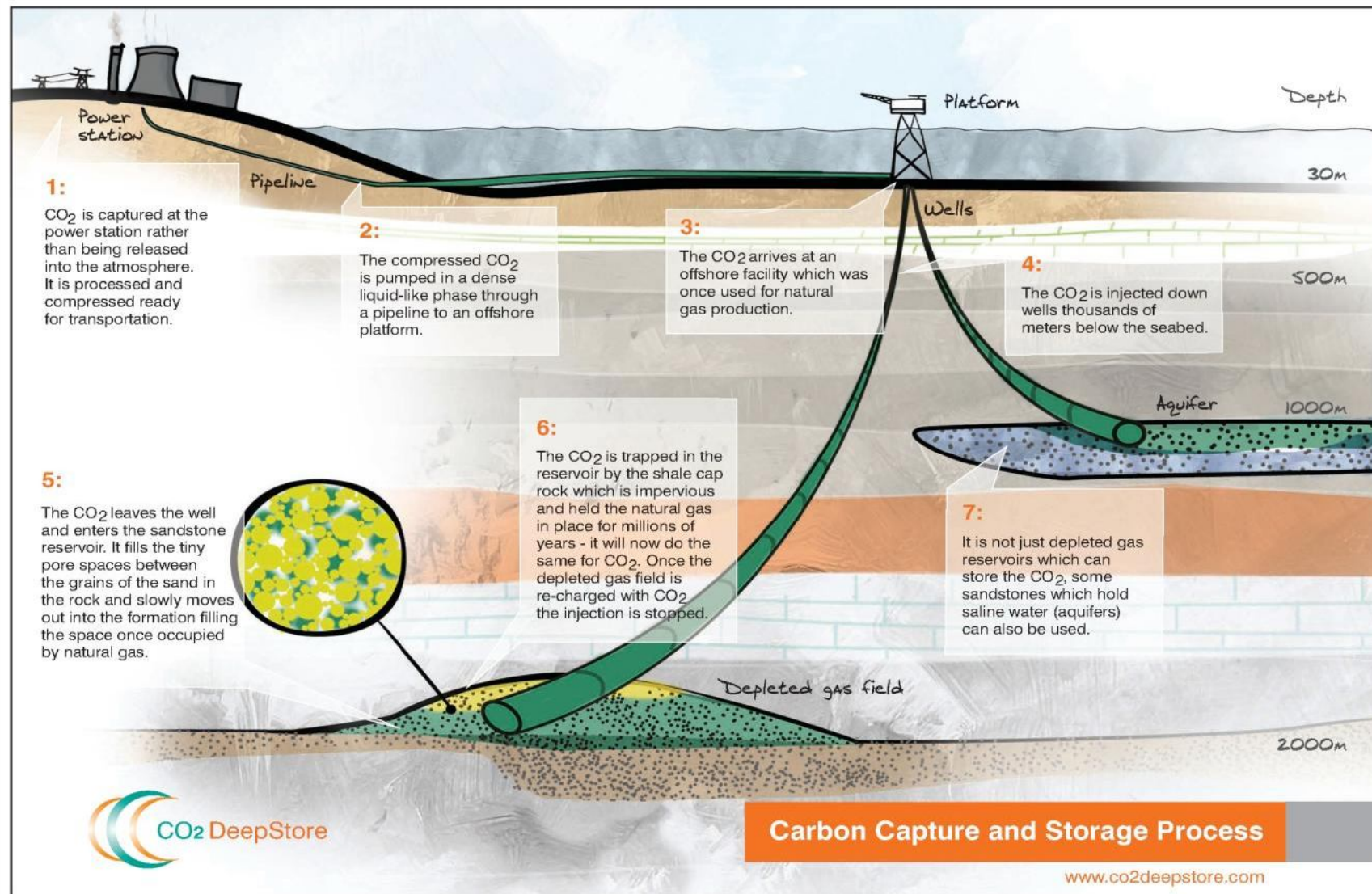
## Pre-combustion capture



## O<sub>2</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub> recycle (oxyfuel) combustion capture



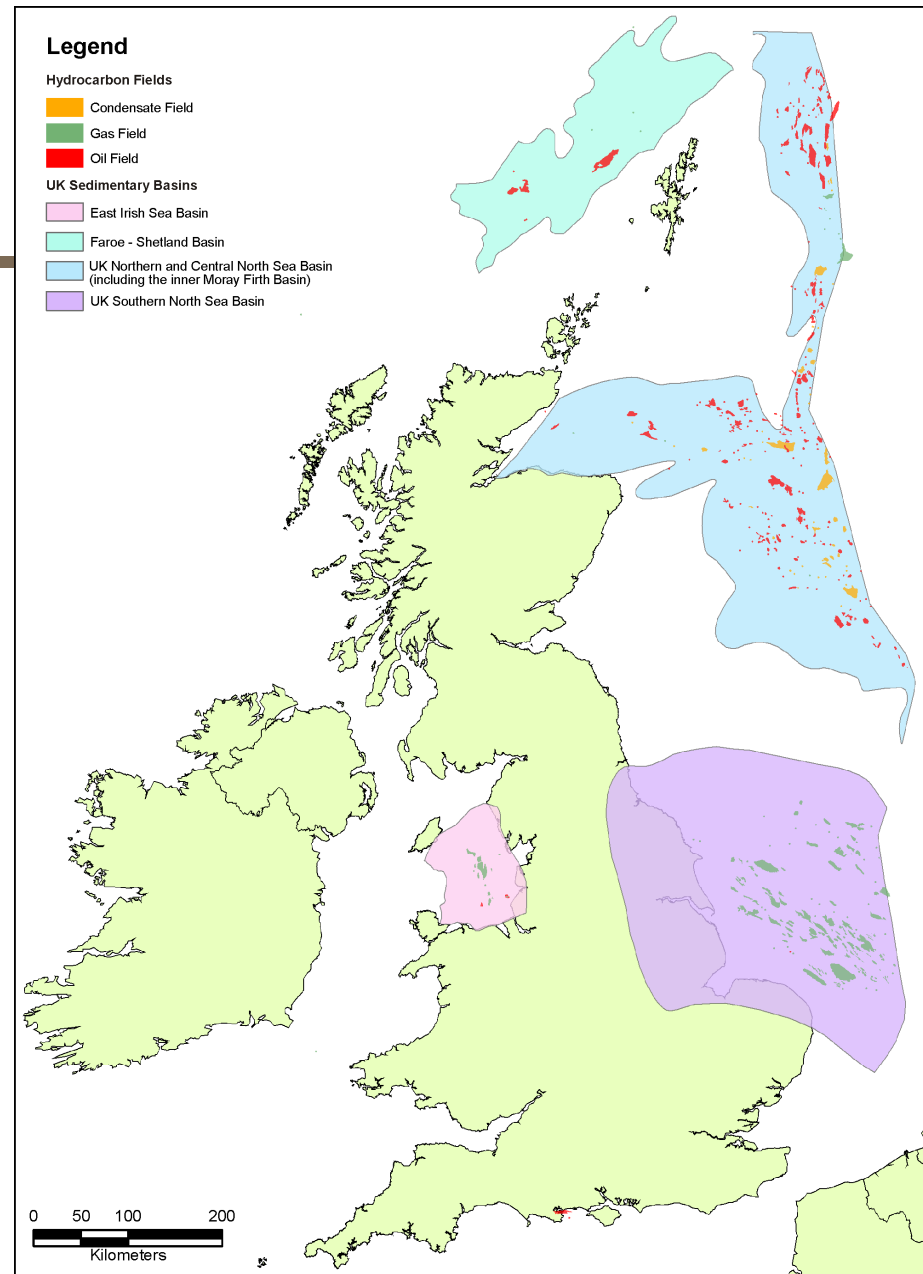
# The CCS Process



➤ Offshore: sufficient storage capacity for more than 100 years of emissions.

➤ Oil & gas: 7-10Gt

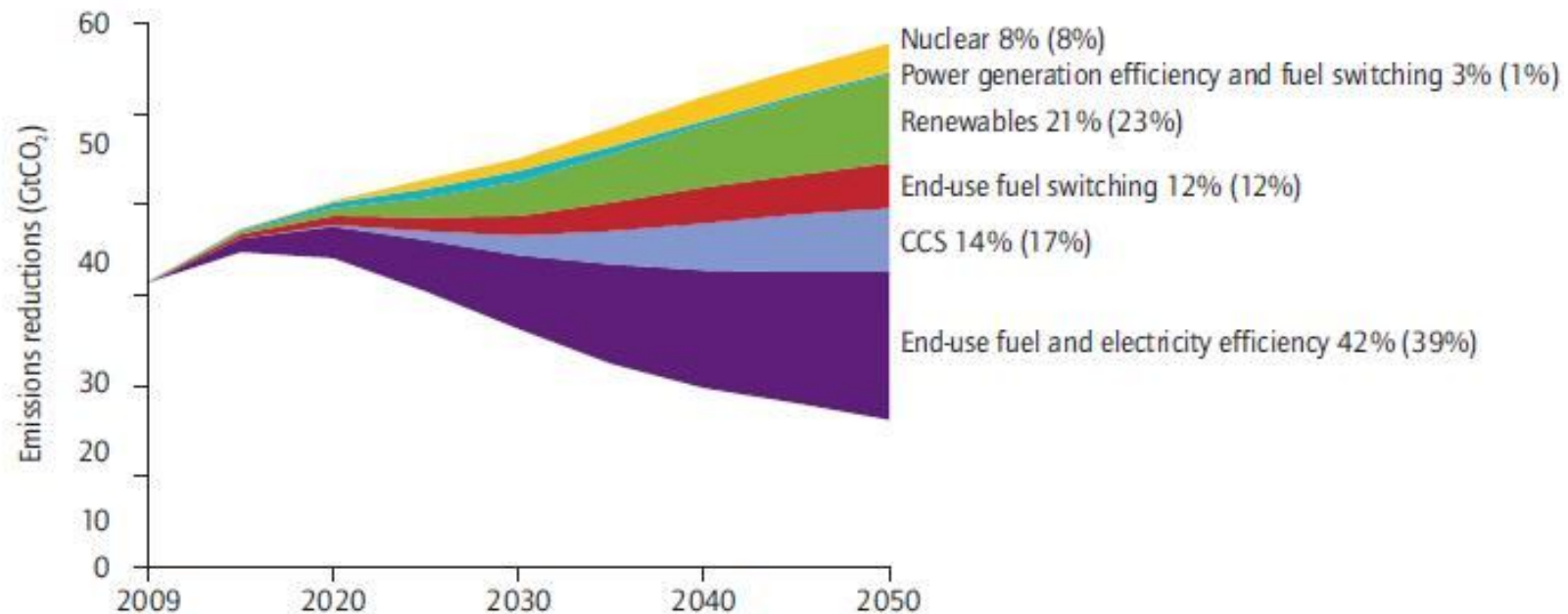
➤ Saline aquifers: 20-200Gt



Source: British Geological Survey

# Global need for CCS

Figure 6: CCS contributes 14% of total emission reductions through 2050 in 2DS compared to 6DS



Note: numbers in brackets are shares in 2050. For example, 14% is the share of CCS in cumulative emission reductions through 2050, and 17% is the share of CCS in emission reductions in 2050, compared with the 6DS.

Source: IEA, 2012c.



# Global need for CCS

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- **Mix of low carbon technologies**
- **Energy security**
- **Flexibility**
- **Industrial emissions**
- **Lower cost**
- **Fossil fuel market support**
- **Protection of living standards**
- **Unburnable Carbon**

## Global need for CCS

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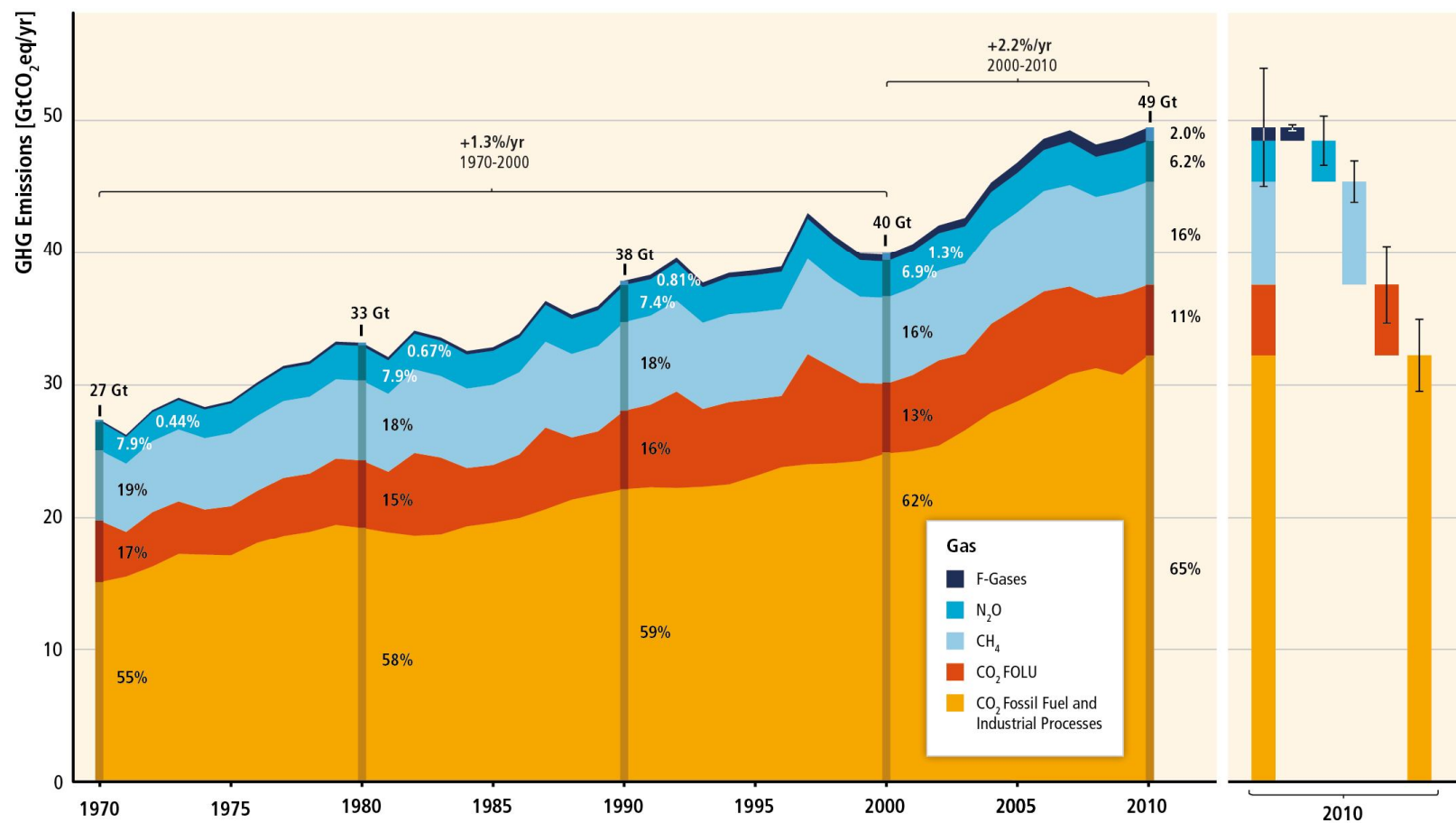
- IPCC AR5 – to stand a chance (>66% prob) of limiting to 2°C total emissions must not exceed 800GtC
- Emissions by 2011 were 531GtC
- The remaining budget of 269GtC will be used up by 2034 at current rate of decarbonisation – PWC
- To achieve 2DS by 2100 decarbonisation must increase to 6% pa - >twice best so far - PWC
- IEA reckons that known resources are three times what will break that budget – 780 GtC
- Not just energy emissions also industrial/agricultural
- RE and nuclear very welcome only defer the day
- Only CCS can arrest climate change



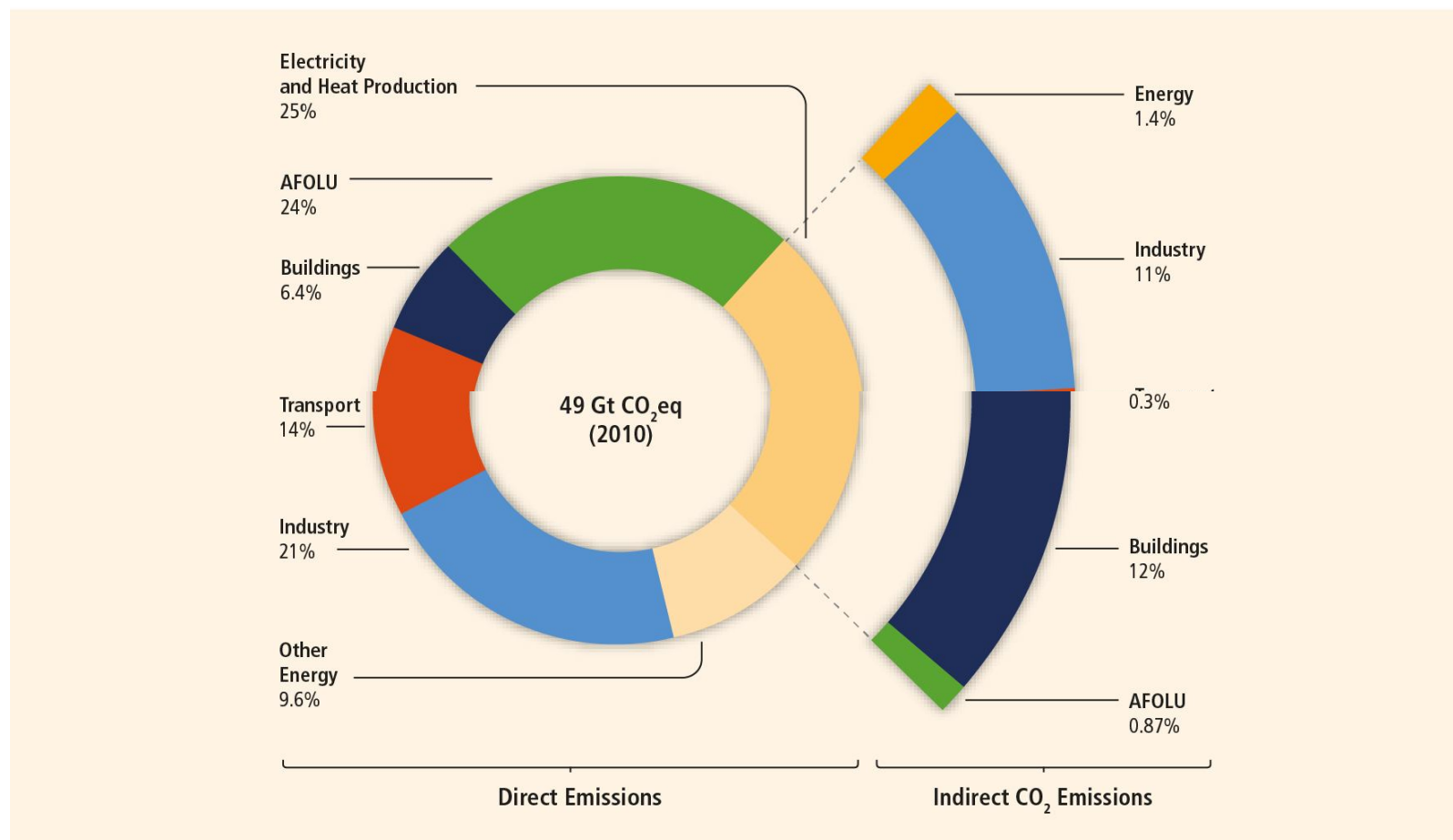


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Total Annual Anthropogenic GHG Emissions by Groups of Gases 1970-2010



## Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Economic Sectors



## UK need for CCS

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- **Cost-effective decarbonisation (£82 per h.hold 2030)**
- **Reduction in overall capital requirements**
- **Flexibility – complements renewable and nuclear**
- **Industrial emissions**
- **Develop domestic fossil fuel resources**
- **Economic growth opportunity**
- **Export opportunity**

# Where is the UK on CCS?

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## Ahead:

- Political & NGO support
- Abundant offshore storage space
- Developed regulation
- Electricity Market Reform
- Abundant skills
- Industry coalition – CCSA
- Two projects under design

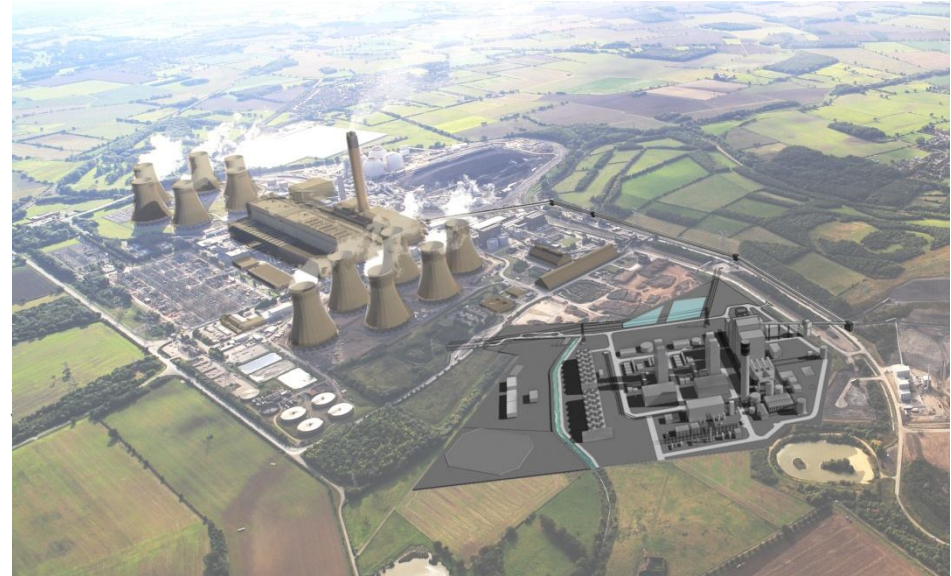
## Not further ahead:

- Underestimated scale of challenge
- Mistakes in Government procurement
- Economic downturn
- Competition weariness
- Legal commitment to renewables
- Competition for limited funds
- Cost of first projects

# CCS Commercialisation Competition

## White Rose

- Drax, North Yorkshire, England
- 304MW oxy-fuel project
- Alstom, Drax, BOC, National Grid
- FEED contract signed 20 Dec 2011 and commenced 13 Jan 2014
- FID in 2015/2016
- Design work on a larger capacity 24" CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline enabling shared infrastructure and facilitation of further CCS projects



<http://www.whiteroseccs.co.uk/>



# CCS Commercialisation Competition

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## Peterhead

- Peterhead, Scotland
- 340MW Post-combustion capture plant retrofitted to existing CCGT
- Shell and SSE
- Storage offshore in depleted gas field – Goldeneye
- FEED signed 20 Mar 2014
- 10 mt CO<sub>2</sub> stored over 10 years



<http://www.shell.co.uk/gbr/environment-society/environment-tpkg/peterhead-ccs-project.html>



# Why costs of first projects is high

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Not full size – lack  
economy of scale

High infrastructure  
costs

New design  
concepts

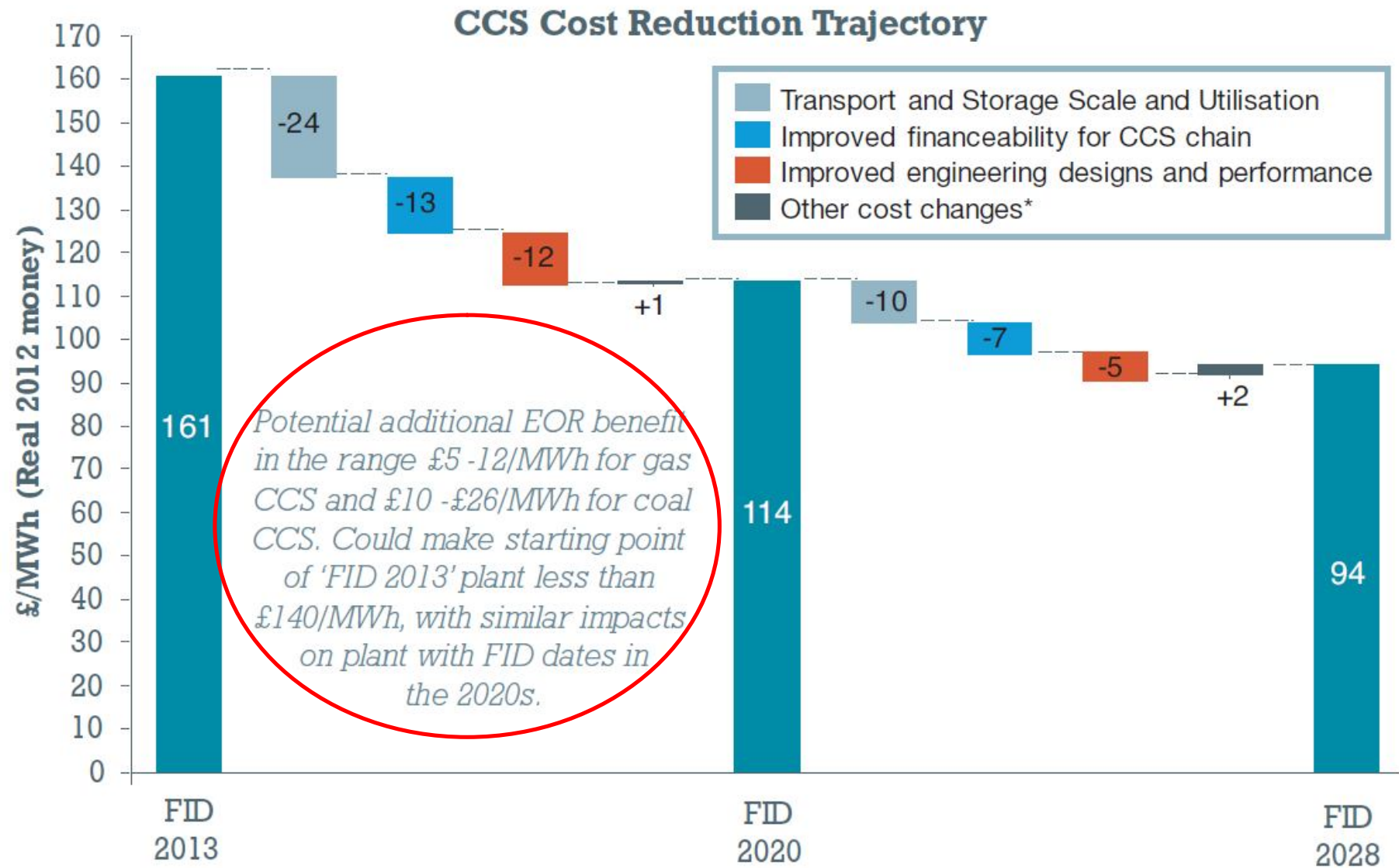
New commercial  
arrangements –  
challenging  
business models

Lack of market/  
competition

**BUT...**



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## What's Needed to get the CCS show on the road

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- **First two projects started**
- **More to follow**
- **A development plan**
- **Strategic infrastructure**
- **Enhanced oil recovery**
- **Equality of opportunity with other LC technologies**

## Equal treatment - power?

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- Same payment per MWh?
- Enhanced payment for flexibility?
- Availability payment?
- Availability of budget (LCF in UK)?
- Contribution to infrastructure?

# Policy anomalies

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- In EU renewable targets
- In UK nuclear sites selected for development
- No clear indication of market potential for CCS
- Third Party Access
- Long term liabilities

# Planning Signals

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- Wide range of scenario planning for CCS
- Lack of vision on geographical location of capture
- Indeed consenting CCGTs in locations to preclude CCS retro-fit
- Lack of CCS infrastructure plans





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