

# Carbon Capture and Storage: A Technology Solution for Continued Coal Use in a Carbon Constrained World

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# CCS Technology Development Needs

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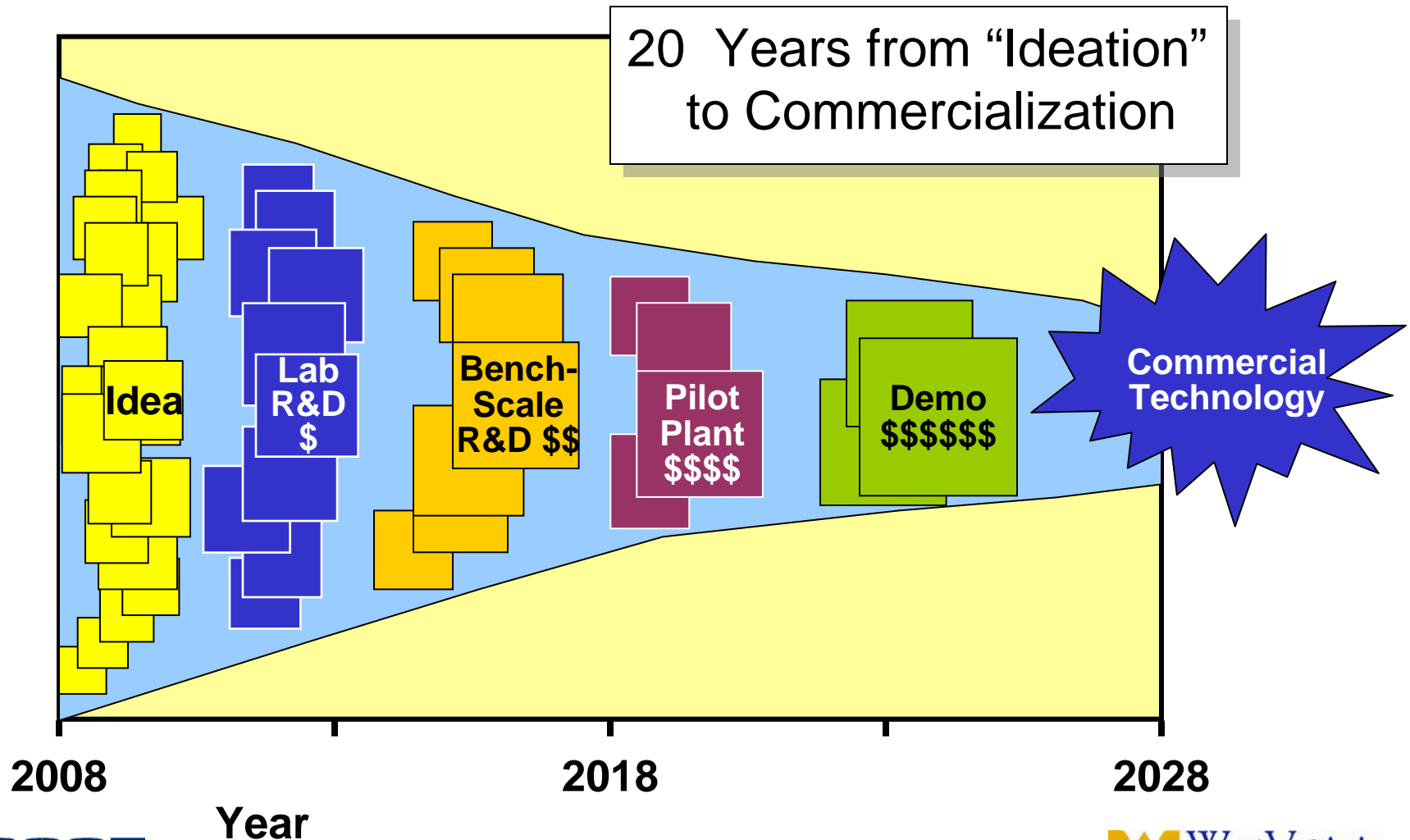
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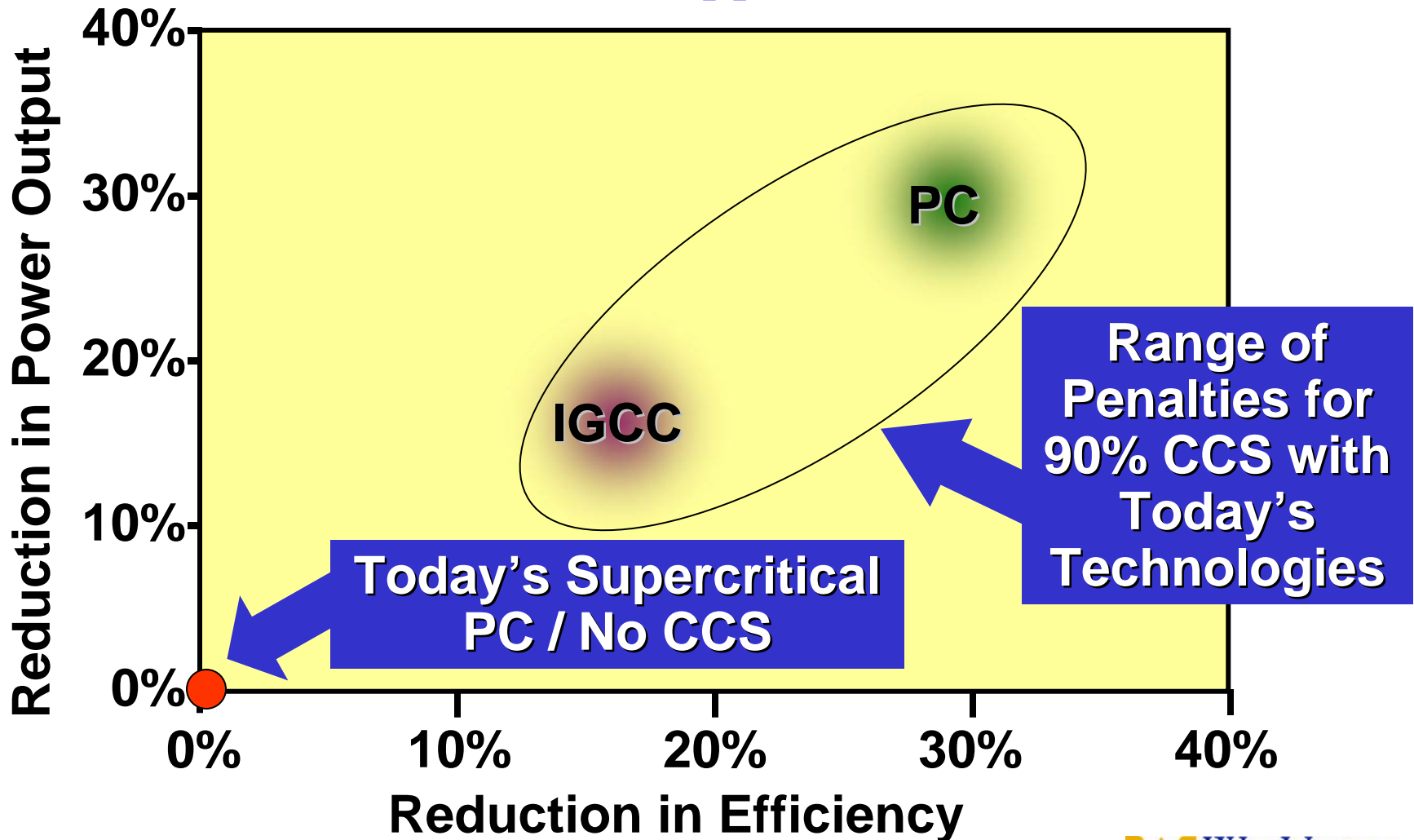
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# Timeline for RD&D on Power Generation Technologies



# Performance Penalties for CCS

## *New Plant Applications*



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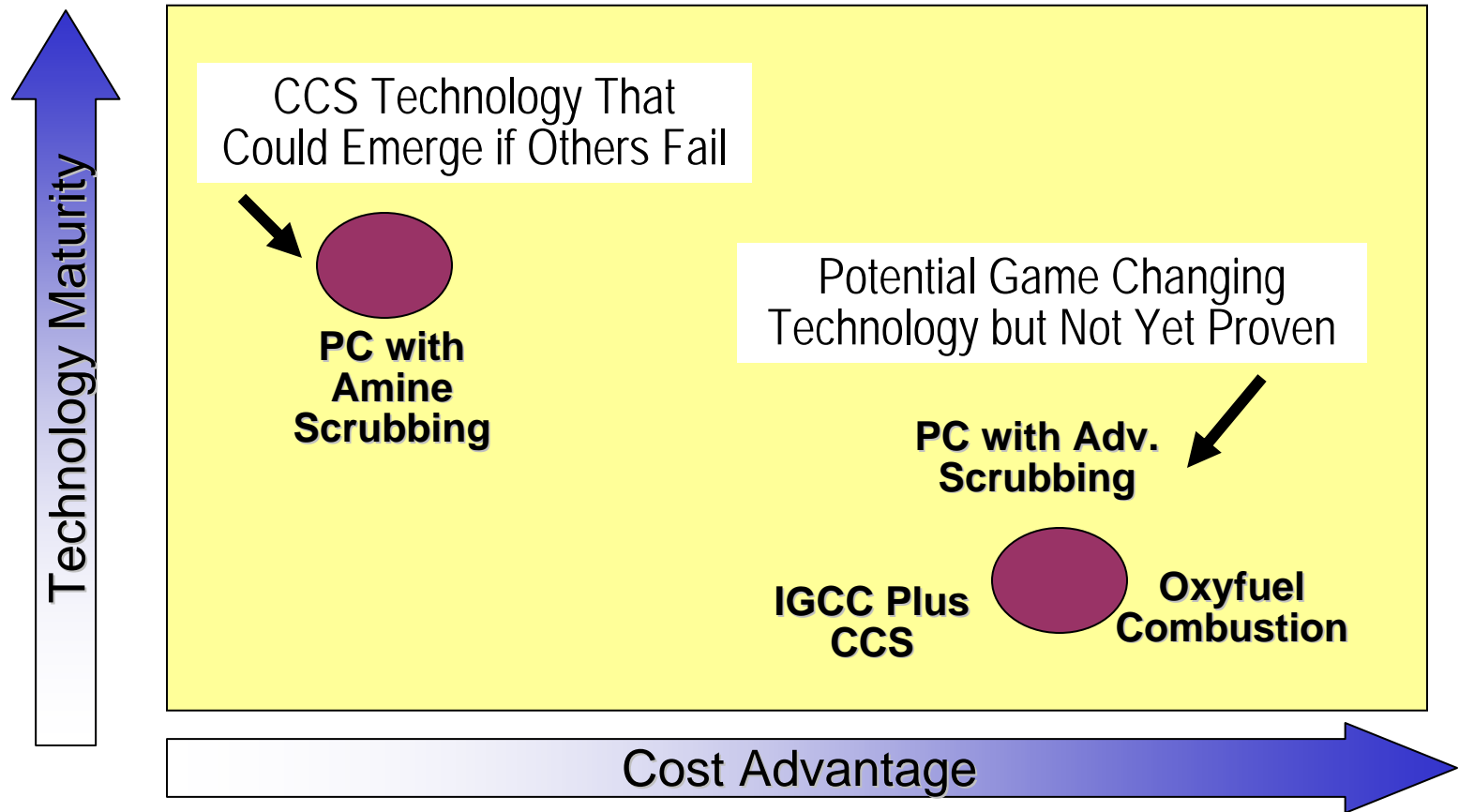
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# Role of RD&D

- If we had to use today's technology for 90% CCS:
  - Less power output, lower efficiency and higher capital cost
  - COE increases 60-80%\* a.c.w. a new supercritical PC without capture
- New technologies show promise to reduce the incremental COE cost increase to 30%

**Public & private investments in RD&D  
are needed to develop and deploy  
advanced technologies**

# Risk Profile of Emerging CCS Technologies



- Multiple technologies need to be developed

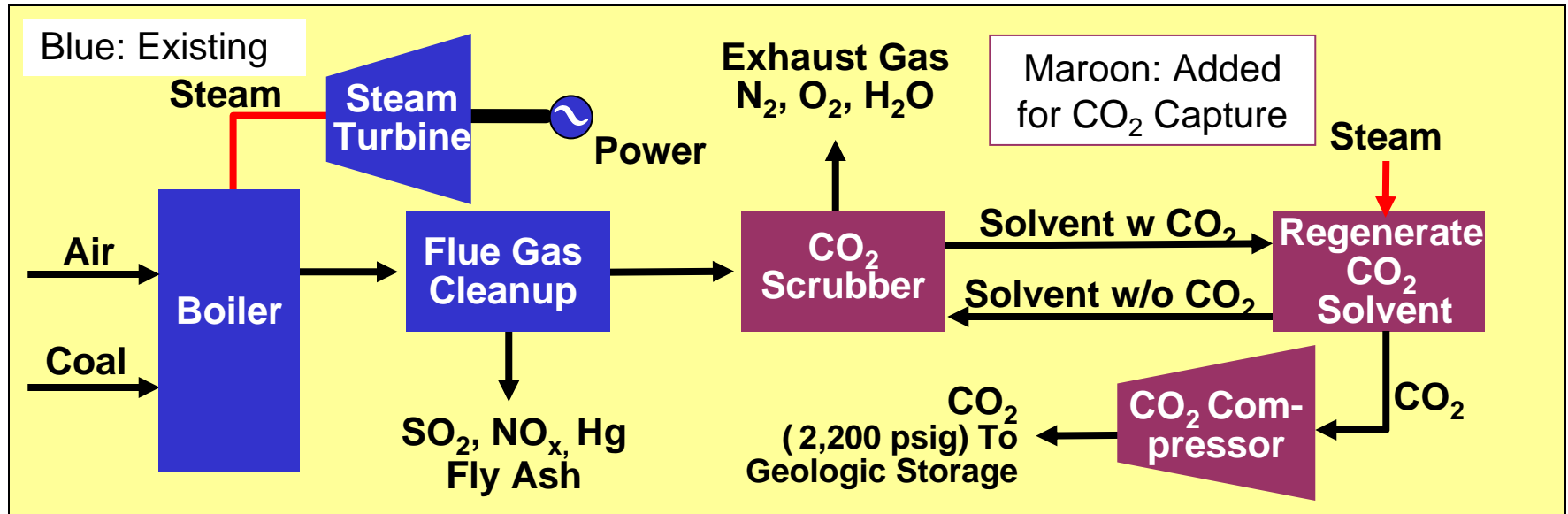
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# Pulverized Coal Plant (PC) with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



## R&D Challenges

- CO<sub>2</sub> capture
  - Large volume of flue gas containing low levels of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, ash
  - High steam consumption to regenerate current CO<sub>2</sub> solvents
- Efficiency improvement

# Post-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

## Current technology

- Monoethanolamine (MEA) scrubbers
- Small scale units at 3 U.S. coal plants

## RD&D Needs

- Less energy intensive systems to remove CO<sub>2</sub> from flue gas



AES Warrior Run in MD

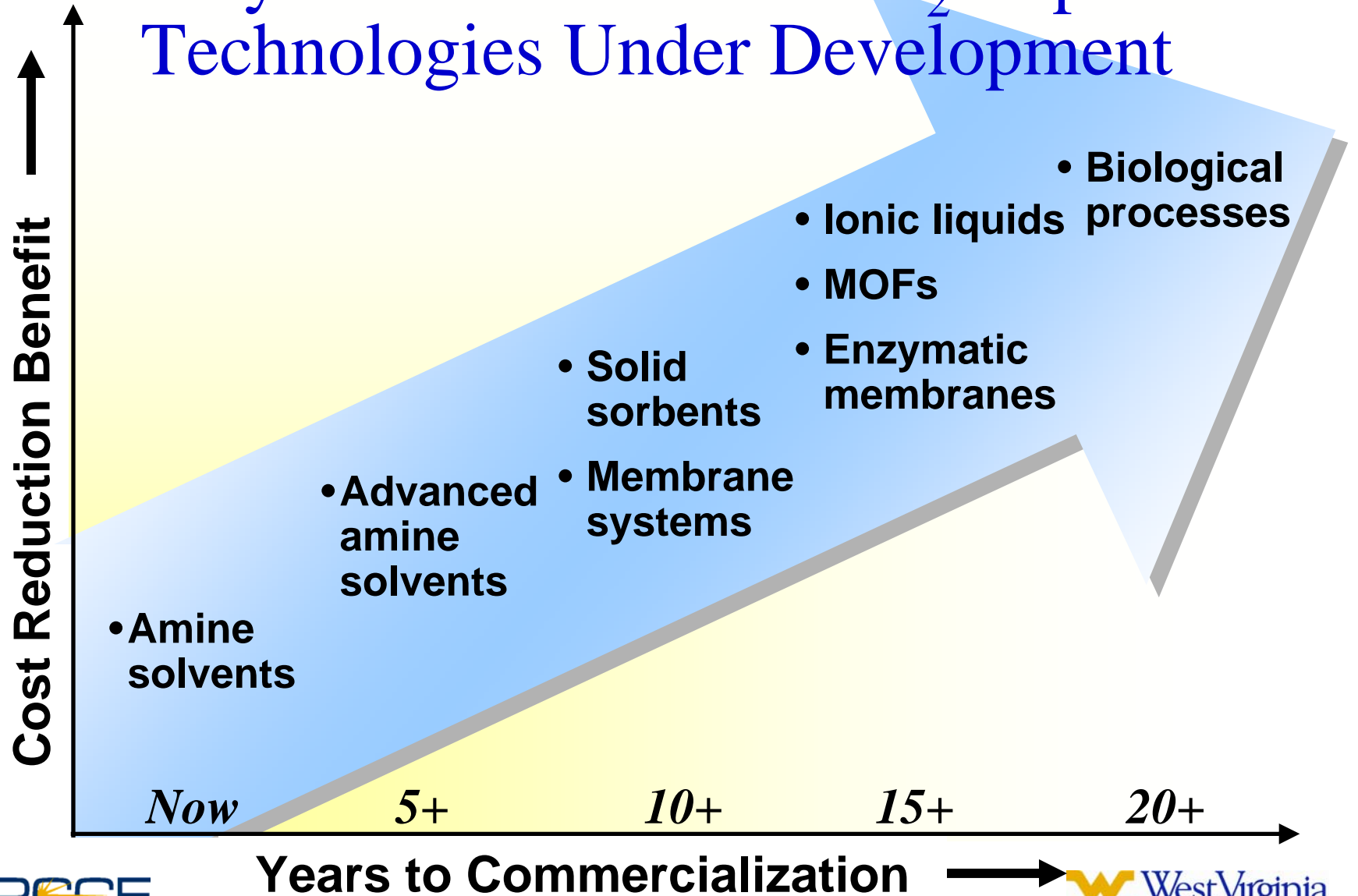
- Captures 10% CO<sub>2</sub>
- 205 MWe CFB

AES Shady Point in OK

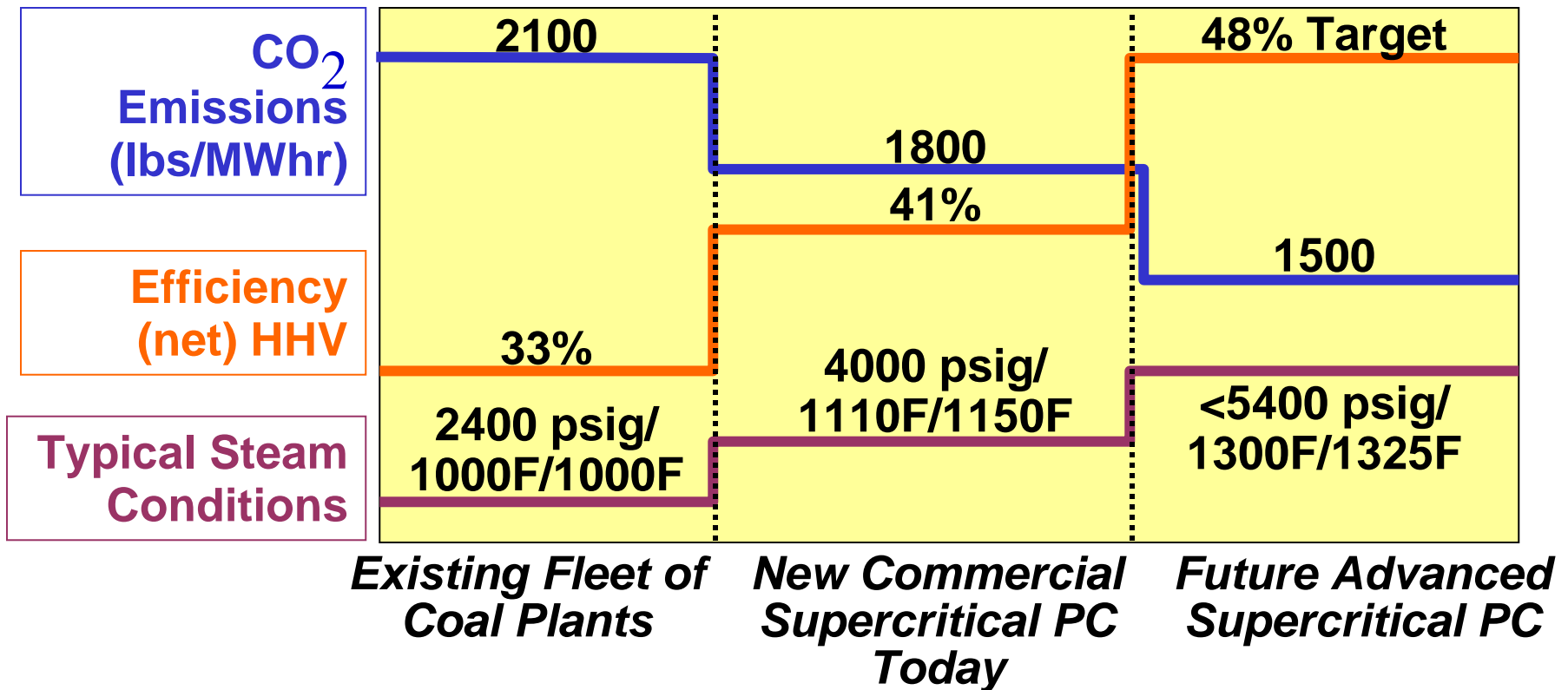
- Captures 2-3% CO<sub>2</sub>
- 320 MWe CFB



# Many Post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Technologies Under Development



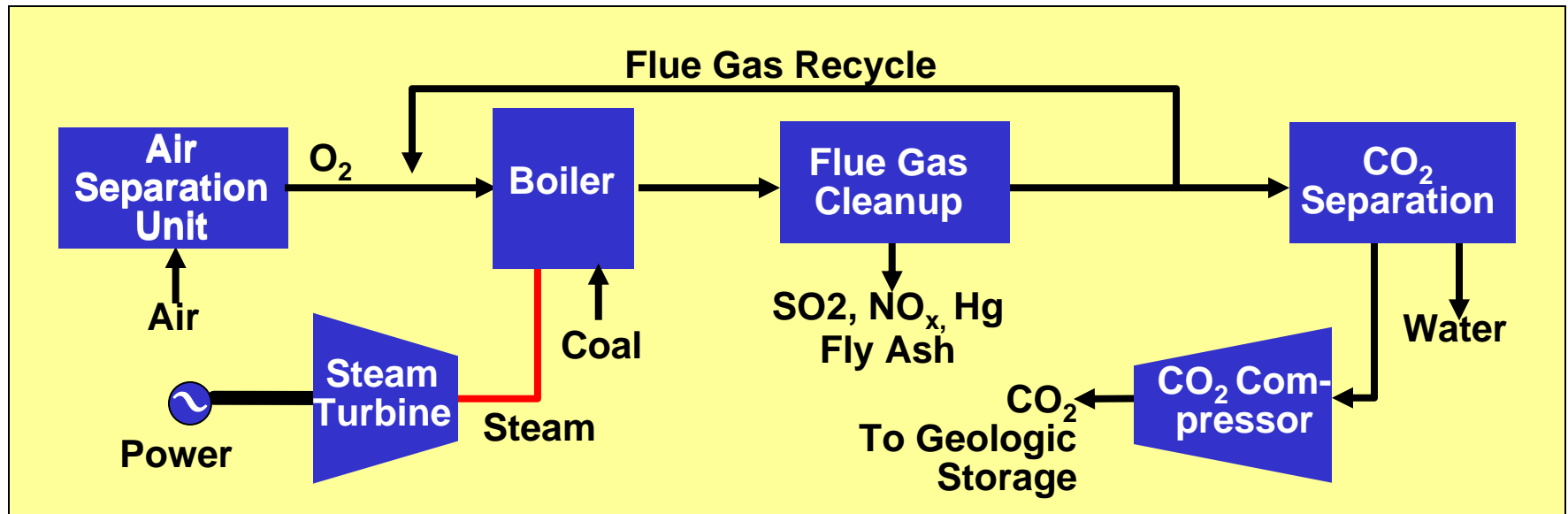
# Higher PC Efficiency → Lower CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions



## *R&D Needs for High Efficiency PC Plants*

- Advanced materials for boilers & turbines
- New boiler and turbine designs
- Plant optimization

# Oxyfuel Combustion with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



## *R&D Challenges*

- Optimize CO<sub>2</sub> recycle rate and oxygen purity requirements
- Feasibility of co-sequestering CO<sub>2</sub>/NO<sub>x</sub>/SO<sub>x</sub> (delete flue gas cleanup process)
- Retrofit designs

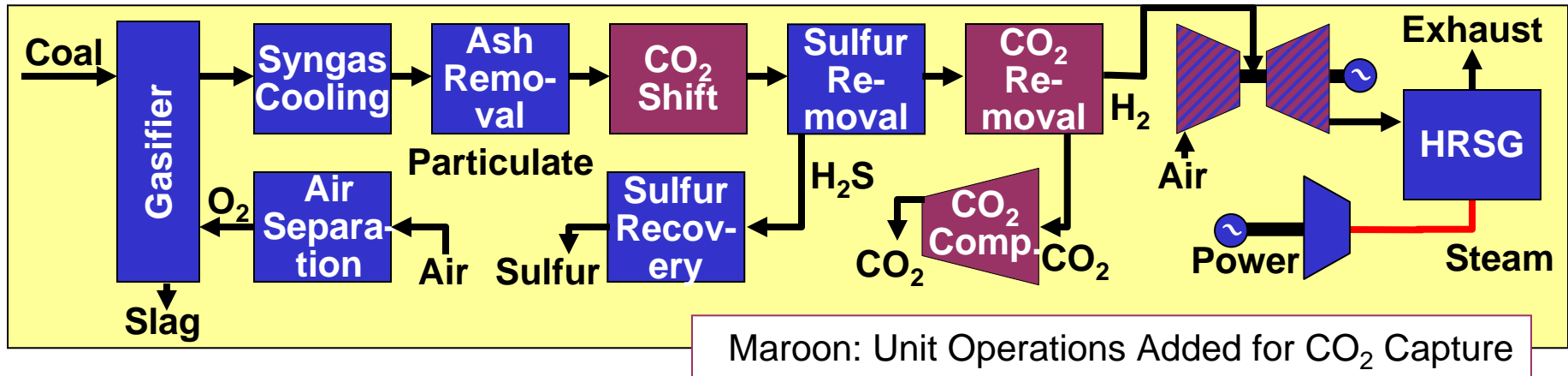
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# IGCC with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



Today's IGCC technology w/o capture

- As efficient as supercritical PC
  - Very clean
- BUT . . .
- Lower availability of gasification block than PC system
  - Capital cost 20-30% higher than PC
  - Higher COE than PC

- IGCC is a less mature technology than PC
- Worldwide, four IGCC plants operating on coal
- Hundreds of gasifiers

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# Benefits from RD&D for IGCC

- Potential least-cost option for low CO<sub>2</sub> emissions coal power
  - With capture, IGCC COE is 10% less than PC\* based on current IGCC and PC technologies
  - As an emerging technology, IGCC has much room for improvement in efficiency, reliability, cost
- Flexibility—provides a syngas with multiple uses
  - Fuels
  - Chemicals
  - Hydrogen

# R&D Needs for IGCC

## *Lower-Cost O<sub>2</sub> Production*

- Current cryogenic separation is reliable
- BUT it's 15% of capital cost
- Consumes 15% power

## *Better Gasification*

- Improve reliability so spares not needed
- Advanced designs for low-rank coal
- Better refractory and syngas coolers

## *CO<sub>2</sub> Capture*

- Technologies that use less auxiliary power

## *Fuel Gas Cleanup*

- Warm gas cleaning could improve efficiency by ~3 % points over current cold cleanup

## *Combustion Turbines*

- Higher temperature operation
- Use of high-H<sub>2</sub> content fuel in large turbines
- Lower NO<sub>x</sub> w/o SCR

## *Fuel cells*

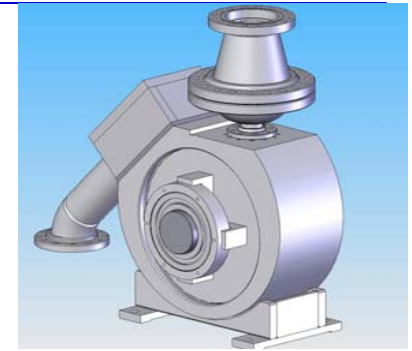
- Decrease cost
- Increase size



**ITM Air Separation**  
5 TPD test at APCI's Sparrows Point gas plant



**Advanced Refractories For Gasifiers**  
Target is refractory material that lasts years, rather than months

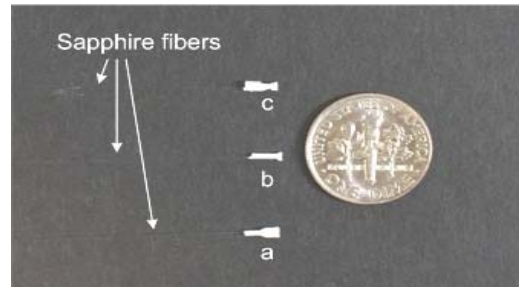


**Dry Coal Feed System for Gasifiers**  
Reduces thermal losses with slurry feed and low-rank coals

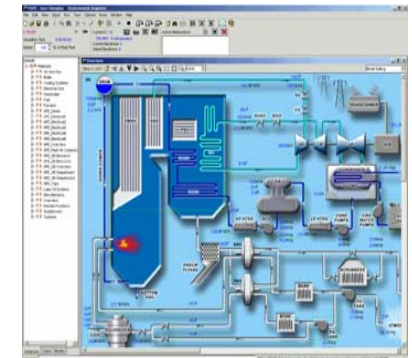
## Current R&D



**Warm-gas Cleanup** - Integrated testing at Tennessee Eastman's gasification plant



**Temperature Sensor for Gasifier**  
VPI&SU developed single crystal high temp. sapphire sensor (up to 1600 C )



**IGCC Simulator**  
Full-scope, high-fidelity, real-time generic IGCC plant with CCS

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# Water & Electricity Inextricably Linked

- Coal technologies use water for:
  - Cooling
  - Emission control
  - Coal mining
  - Coal cleaning

## *R&D Needs*

- Develop new materials & processes to treat & use nontraditional, brackish or produced water
  - Saline reservoirs or mine pools
- Reduce or eliminate water use
- Deliver water more efficiently

## *Goals of Water R&D*

- Reduce fresh water consumption
- Both surface and ground water



Lake Lanier, Sept. 2007  
*Atlanta's Water Supply*

# Technical Challenges for Carbon Storage

## *I - Pre-operation*

- More sophisticated characterization than is now common

## *II - Site Operation*

- Continual monitoring of entire injection field
- Surface surveillance and leak detection
- Criteria for identifying problems
- Strategies for addressing problems

## *III - Site Closure*

- Criteria for establishing when closure is appropriate
- Procedures for closure
- Monitoring needs
- Remediation technology if needed

## *IV - Long-term Stewardship*

- Criteria for acceptance into long-term stewardship
- Monitoring needs

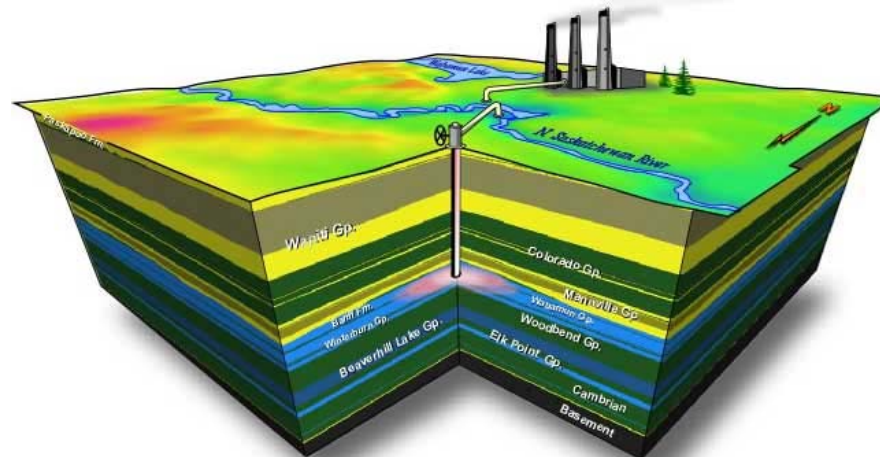
## Four CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Phases

# Key Carbon Storage R&D Topics

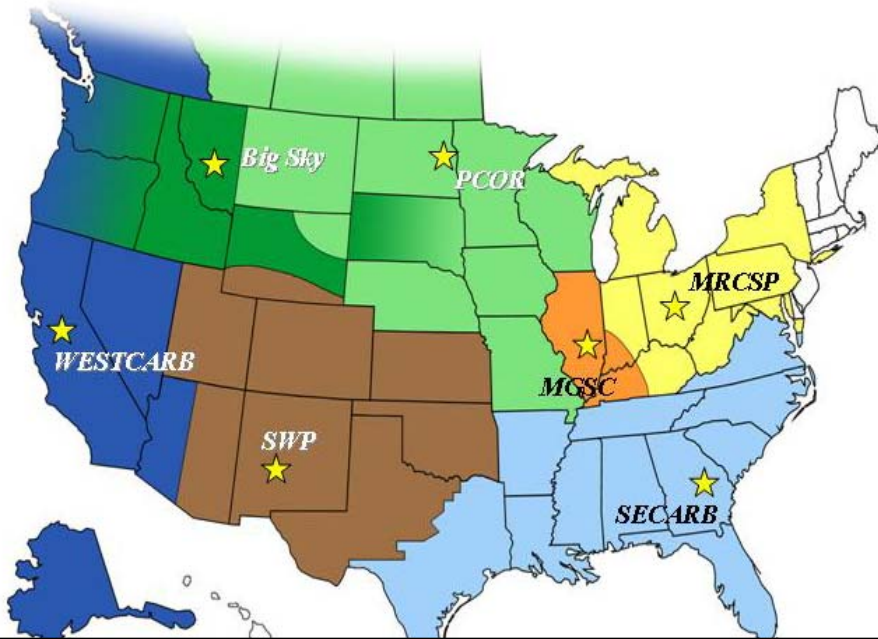
- Trapping mechanisms/ optimization of injection
- Monitoring & verification
- Long-term interaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with formation

## Address Societal Concerns

- Liability
- Health
- Public acceptance



# Seven Regional Partnerships



## Three Phases

Characterization ('03-'05)

- Completed

Validation ('05-'09)

- 24 field validation tests underway

Deployment ('08-'17)

- 7 large injection tests in different geologic formations (6 awards, 1 in procurement)

## Partnership goals

- Engage regional, state, local governments
- Determine regional sequestration benefits
- Baseline region for sources & sinks
- Establish monitoring and verification protocols
- Address regulatory, environmental, & outreach issues
- Validate sequestration technology & infrastructure

- **>350 Organizations**
- **41 States**
- **4 Canadian Provinces**
- **3 Indian Nations**

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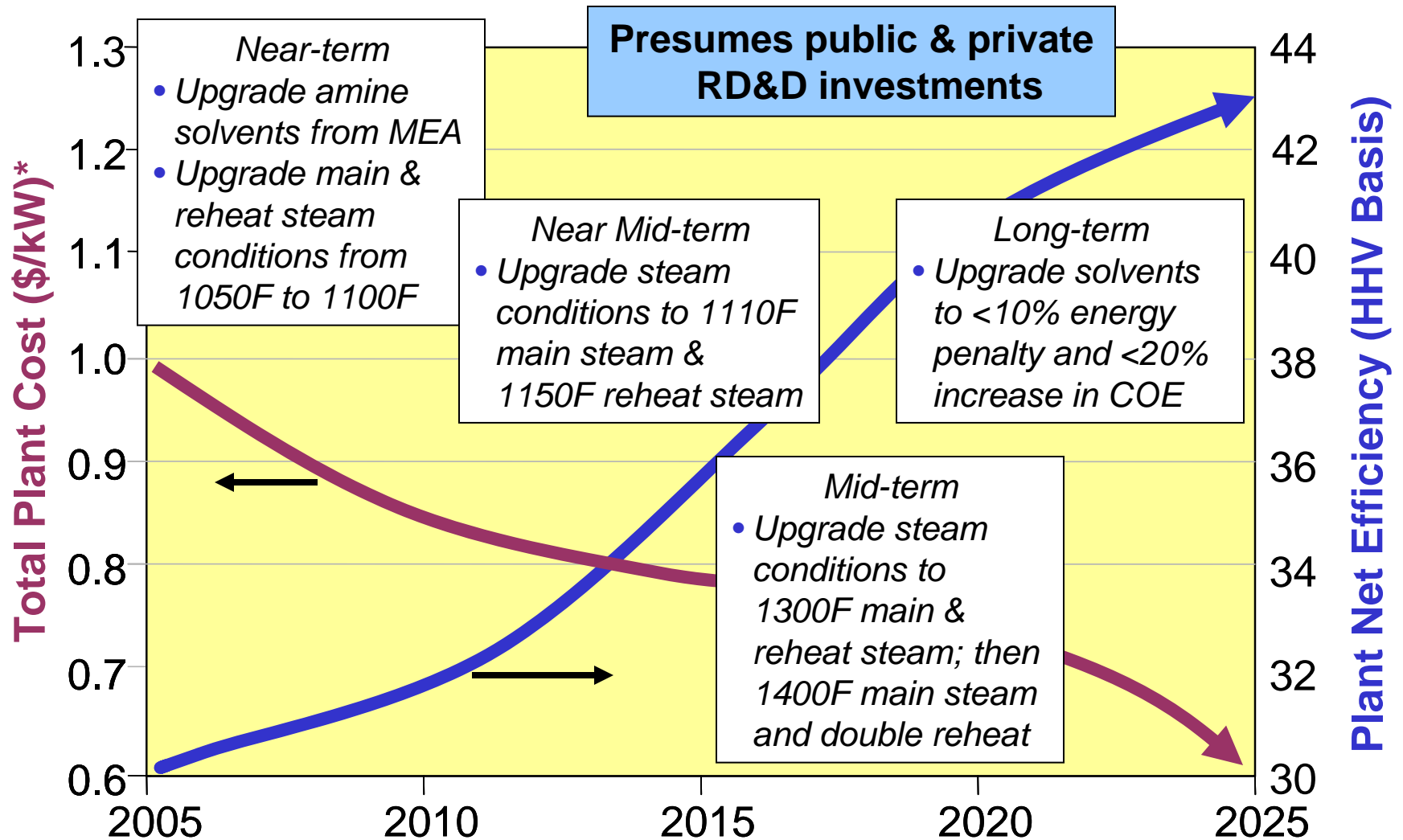
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# CURC-EPRI RD&D Roadmap

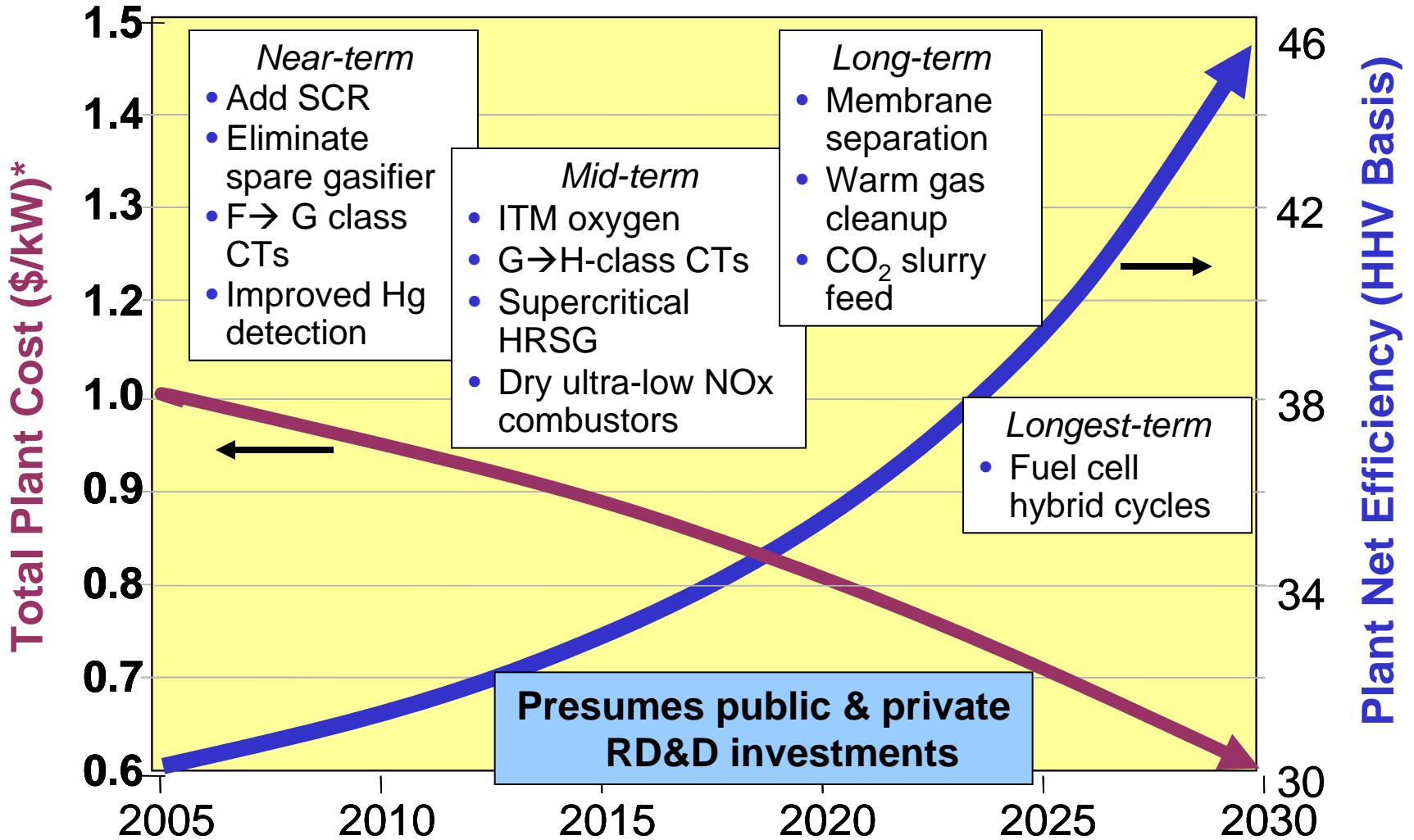
An industry written, long-term RD&D blueprint that identifies what needs to be done to develop & deploy technologies

- Enable industry to generate cost-effective electricity from coal with CO<sub>2</sub> capture
- Control emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, mercury, particulates and CO<sub>2</sub> to near zero levels

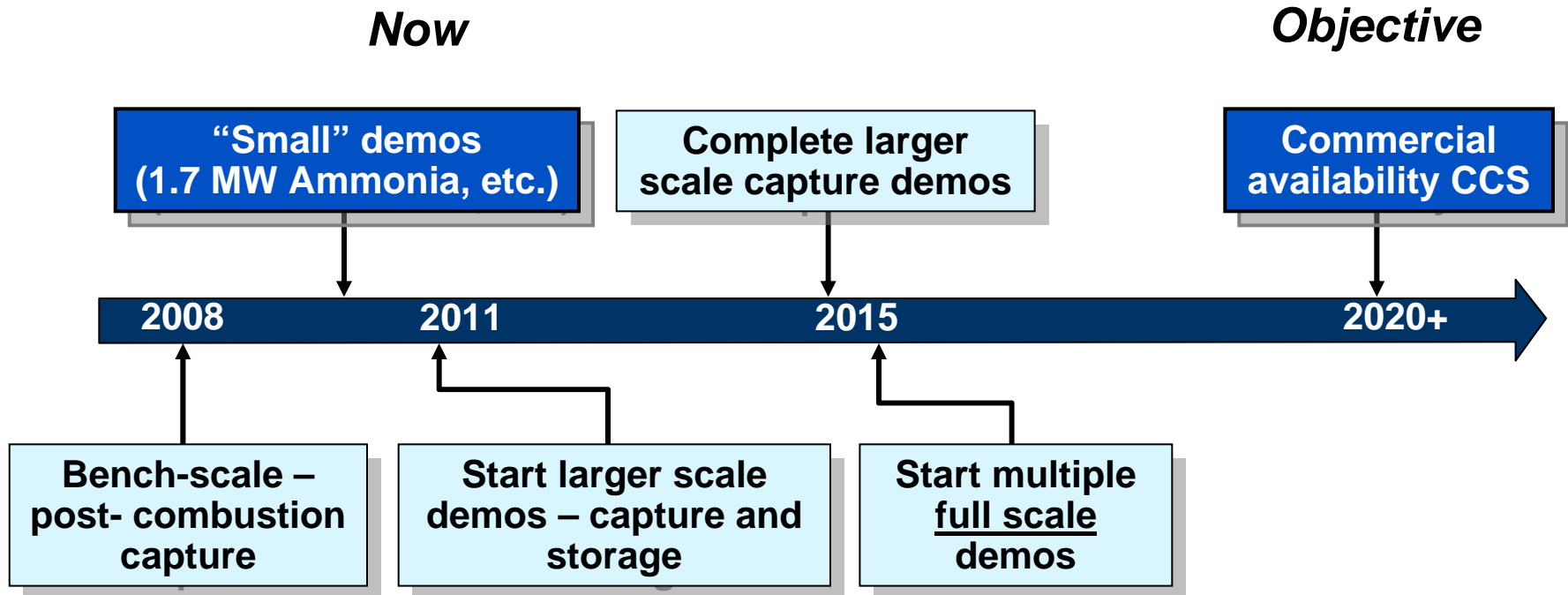
# Road Map Proposed for RD&D in PC Systems



# Road Map Proposed for RD&D in IGCC



# Roadmap for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage



***Needs: Multiple large-scale CAPTURE and STORAGE demos***

***Timing: 2020 objective → start today, parallel paths***

***Realistic? A challenge – need technical, policy, funding alignment***

# Funding Needs – RD&D Roadmap (\$B)

	R&D	Demos	TOTALS
<b>FutureGen</b>	1.5		1.5
<b>IGCC</b>	1.2	4.0	5.2
<b>Combustion</b>	0.6	4.6	5.2
<b>IEP*</b>	0.5	1.2	1.7
<b>Carbon Storage</b>	0.2	Low CO <sub>2</sub> - 1.1 High CO <sub>2</sub> - 1.5	Low CO <sub>2</sub> - 1.3 High CO <sub>2</sub> - 1.7
<b>Fuel Cells</b>	0.7	0.9	1.6
<b>Turbines</b>	<u>0.5</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>0.9</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	5.1	12.2 - 12.6	17.3 - 17.7

~\$17.5 Billion through 2025  
 Federal Share ~ \$10.5 Billion  
 Industry Share ~ \$7 Billion

\*Innovations for Existing Plants

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