



Digital Micro-Certification "The Challenges of Sustainable Chemistry"

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The main goal

"To introduce the basics of sustainable development (SD) to chemistry students (master's level) and provide them with ideas for reducing the environmental impact of their research (doctoral level)

Two levels of digital certification:

- Level 1 certification: SD basics in chemistry (Master – 10.5 h) → 2023-2024
- Level 2 certification: chemistry research and SD (PhD – 10 h) → 2024-2025
 - prerequisite: obtaining Level 1
 - enter the online training catalog with points recognition (ED)

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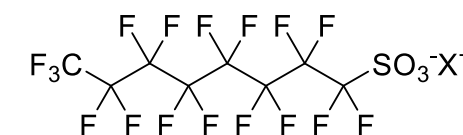
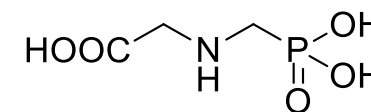
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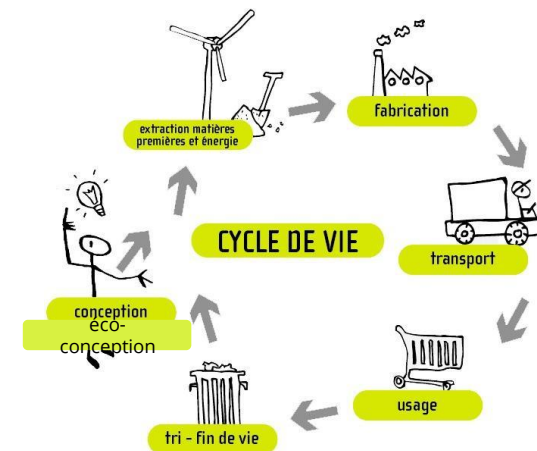
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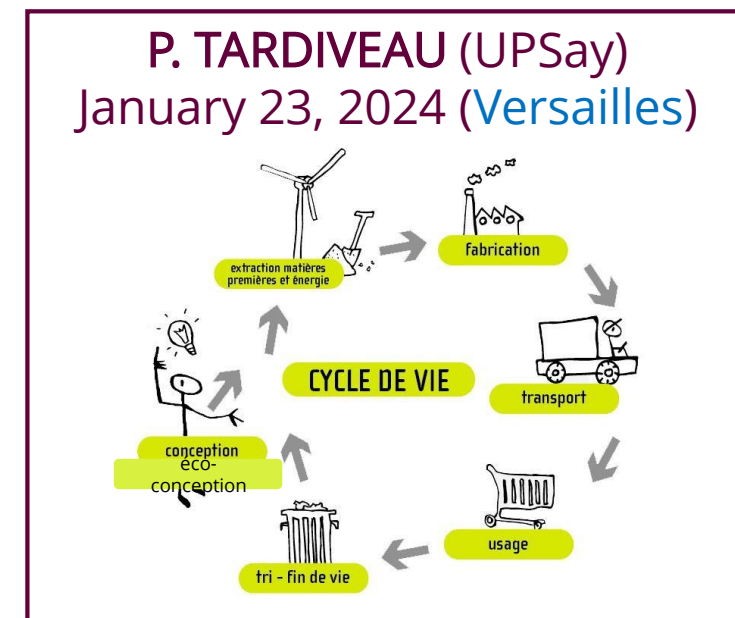
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The diagram illustrates the circular economy process. It starts with 'RESSOURCES' (Resources) at the top left, leading to 'FABRICATION' (Fabrication) at the top right. From there, it goes to 'CONSOMMATION - UTILISATION' (Consumption - Utilization) at the bottom right, then to 'DÉCHETS' (Waste) at the bottom left. From 'DÉCHETS', it goes to 'RECYCLAGE' (Recycling) at the bottom center, which then feeds back into 'RESSOURCES'. A white plastic jug with a red cap and a hazard label (UN 1992) is shown next to the diagram.

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$$\text{PMI} = \frac{\text{total mass in a process or process step}}{\text{mass of product}}$$

- process mass intensity
- atom saving
- environmental factor
- carbon footprint
- etc

95% of chemistry students at UPSay have never had such a global vision of sustainable chemistry during their training



Module 1 – Introduction to sustainable development in chemistry

Basics in Biogeochemistry, Chemical Pollutants and Sustainable Development

Tuesday 9th, January 2024

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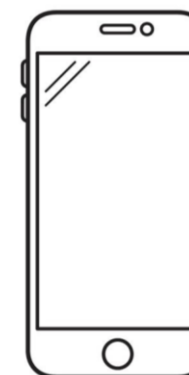
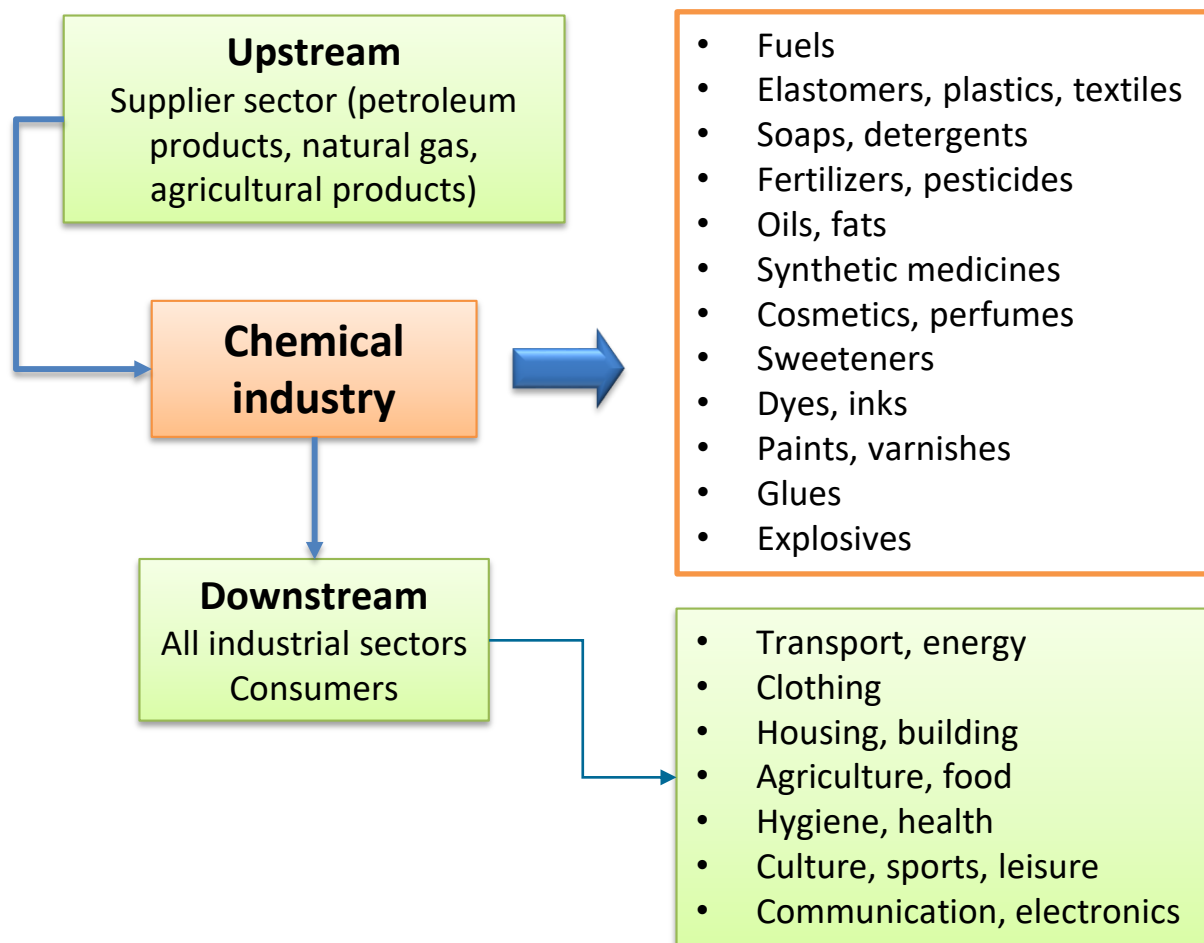
1. The role of the chemical industry in France and in the world
 - Contributions, jobs, risks, responsibilities, challenges
2. Basic elements of biogeochemistry and pollutant chemistry
3. Main sources of chemical pollution:
 - I. Energy production (carbon cycle, greenhouse effect, fossil fuels, alternatives)
 - II. Industrial activities (synthetic materials, halogenated derivatives, metallurgy and TME)
 - III. Agricultural activities (fertilizers, pesticides, nitrogen and phosphorus cycles)
4. Sustainable development and challenges for the chemical industry and research



1. The role of the chemical industry in France and in the world

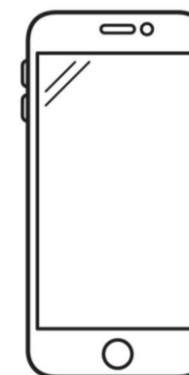
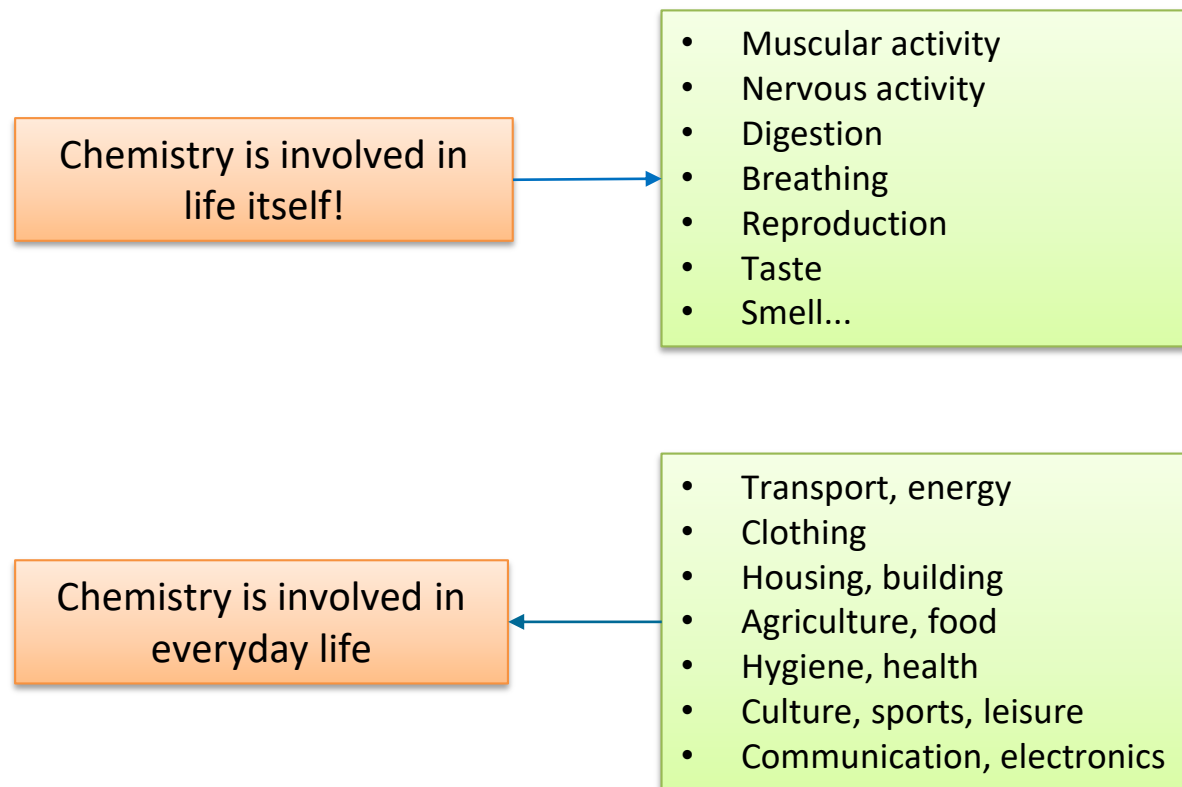
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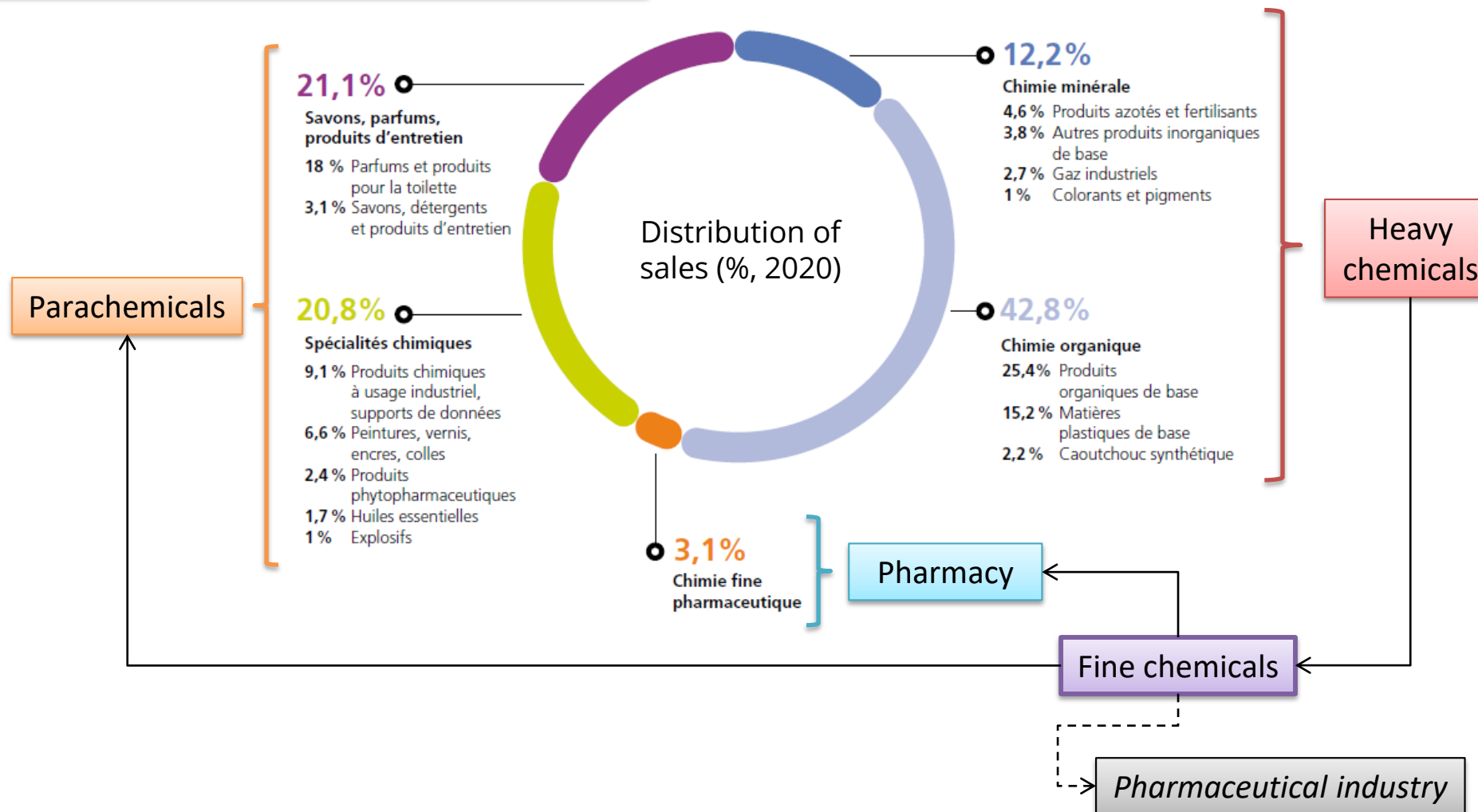


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b) Classification of chemical industry activities





c) The French chemical industry

- **7th in the world** (after USA, Japon, Germany, China, UK...)
- **2nd in Europe** (after Germany)
- **2nd largest industrial balance in France:**
 - **129** billions € in sales
 - trade balance: **+ 9,5** billions € (81,5 export – 72 import)
 - investments : **6,6** billions €
 - 60% : plant maintenance and regulations (HSE...)
 - 40% : business growth in France
 - R&D : **1,9** billions € (14 577 people in R&D, including 7 663 researchers)
- **1st industrial exporter in France** (*ahead of* automotive, electrical/electronic products, agri-food ind., aeronautics...)
- **4,000** companies, 94% of which are SMEs/VSEs
- **225,000** direct jobs and 700,000 indirect jobs
 - 70% technicians, managers, supervisors
 - 94% on permanent contracts



d) Risks and the chemical industry's public image

- Despite all the *societal benefits* of the chemical industry, it suffers from a *poor public image*, which is partly justified:
 - health and pollution issues, chemical wastes management, toxicity...

Air pollution

Toxicity

Plastic pollution

Chemical wastes

Healthcare scandals

Water pollution

Ecotoxicity

GreenHousehold Gas

Chemical weapons

PFAS

Non-renewable resources

Fertilizers

Pesticides

Synthetic drugs

'Eternal' pollutants

Soil pollution

Accidents

Explosions

Endocrine disruptors

Radioactive wastes

~~Chemistry is not the problem, it is the solution!~~

Chemistry is part of the problem, but it is also part of the solution to climate change and others environmental impacts (from World Economic Forum, Dec 6, 2021)

e) The chemical industry's efforts to protect the environment

« Commitment and Progress » program (France, 1990)



environmental protection
and risk management

Total investments in 2020 : 3.2 billions €

The chemical industry reduces its environmental footprint:

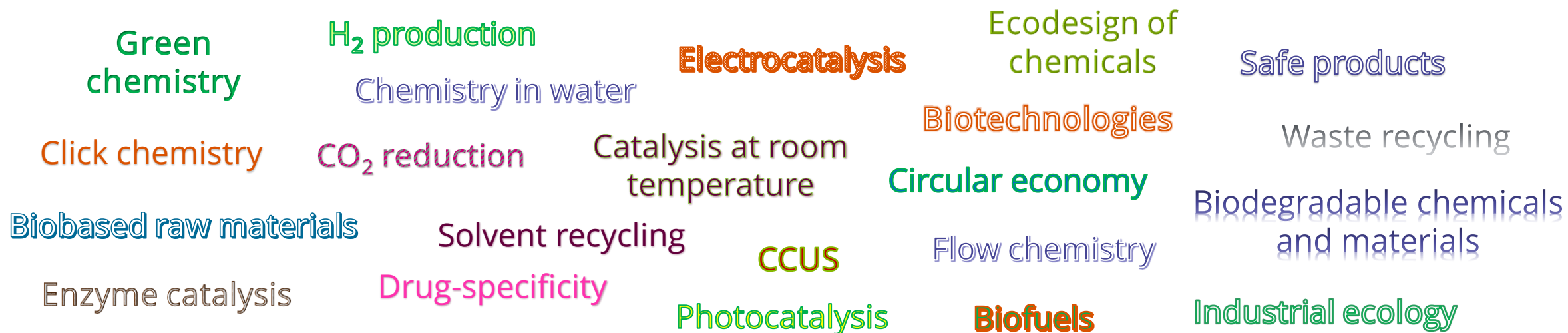
- 61% GHG emissions since 1990
- 52% NOx emissions since 2005
- 33% particulate matter emissions since 2005
- 79% P emissions into water since 2005

France Chimie 2018

CCUS (Carbon Capture, Use and Storage): cf. Chapter « Energy production and consumption »

f) Challenges facing the chemical industry

- Although chemistry has reduced its impact on the environment in recent years, it needs to go further:
 - reduce consumption of energy and non-renewable (NR) raw materials
 - develop less stable and more specific molecules/materials
 - reduce waste production and move away from the linear economy



We, *chemists*, with researchers of other disciplines, have the "cards in our hands" to develop *eco-responsible processes* and produce these *eco-compatible molecules/materials* in the near future



2. Basic elements of biogeochemistry and pollutant chemistry

Biosphere

- all areas of the Earth inhabited by and including **living organisms** (3 main compartments) :

Atmosphere :

- troposphere** : ~ 12 km altitude
- part of the **stratosphere** : up to 25 km altitude

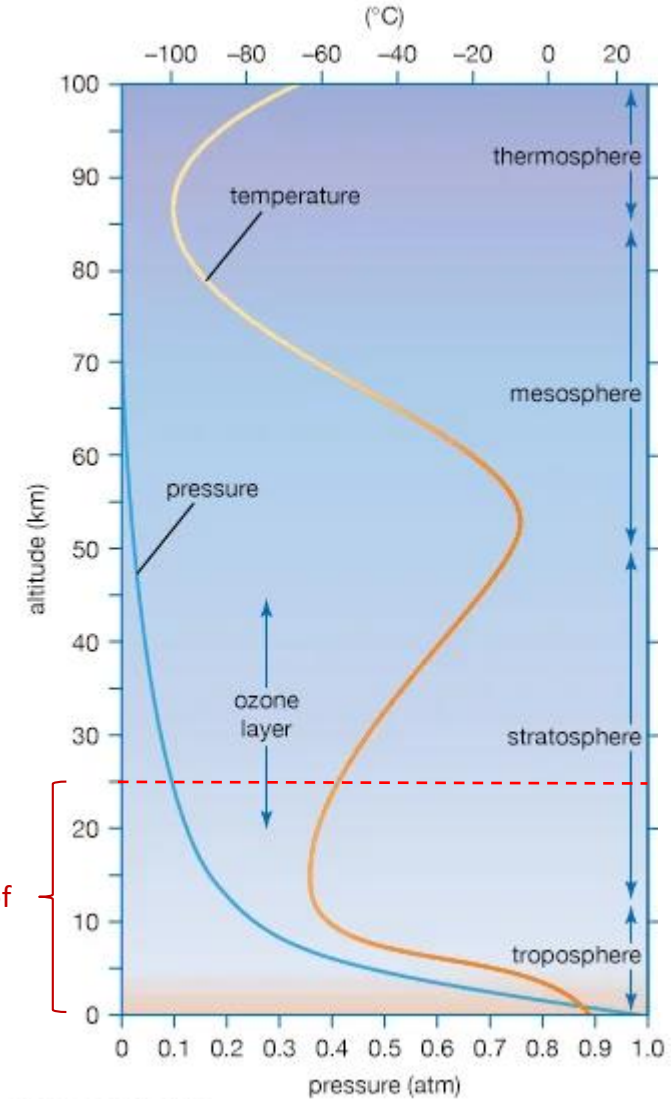
Pedosphere (soil) :

- zone of crumbled rock where life is located
- some tens of meters deep and sediments

Hydrosphere :

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Compartment
"Atmosphere"
of
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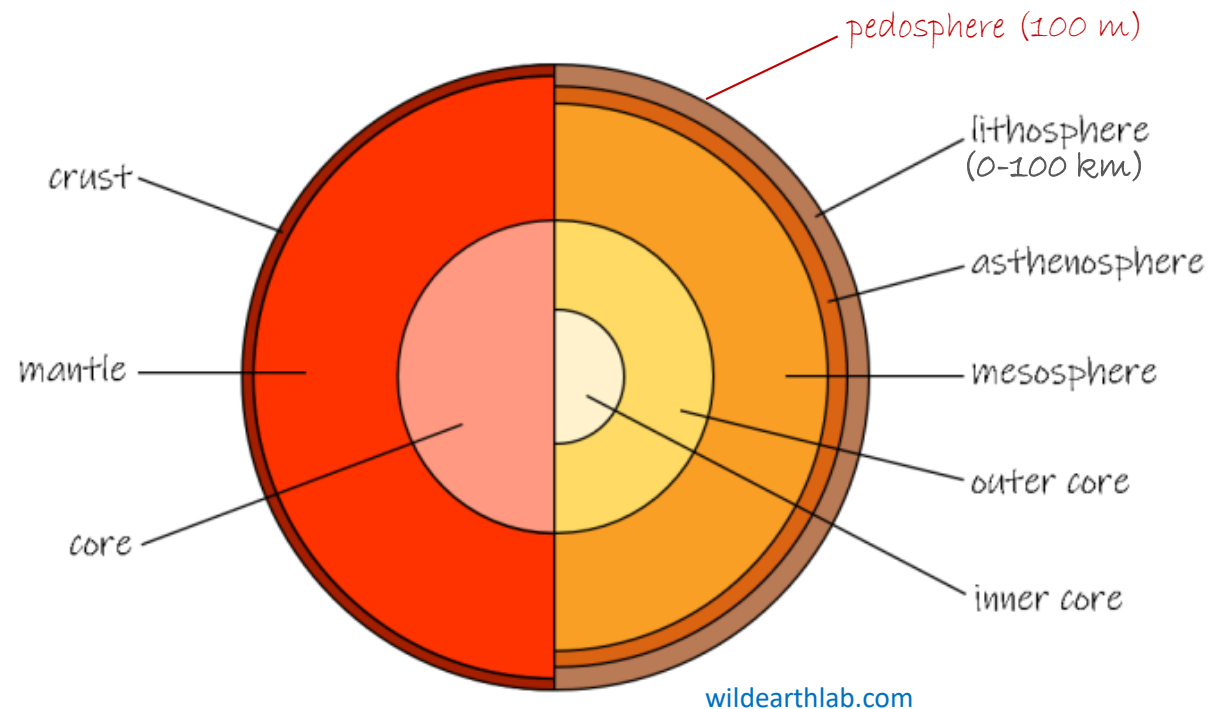
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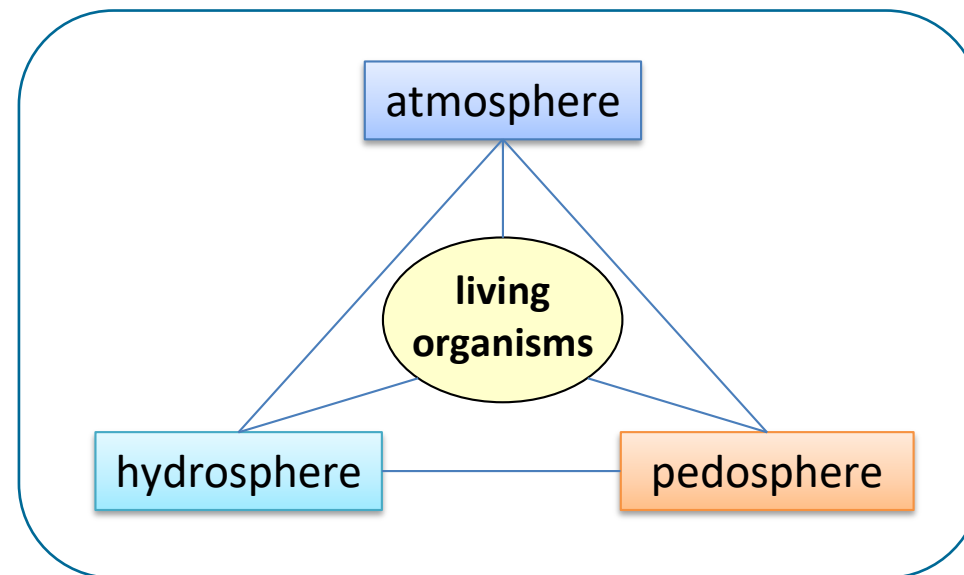
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- system** characterized by a state of **dynamic equilibrium** resulting from complex interactions between biological and physico-chemical processes

Biogeochemical cycles

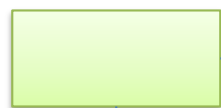
- flow of matter between biosphere compartments

Biogeochemistry

- the science that studies the action of physicochemical and biological factors on biogenic and non-biogenic **chemical substances** as they **circulate** between the various **compartments** of the biosphere

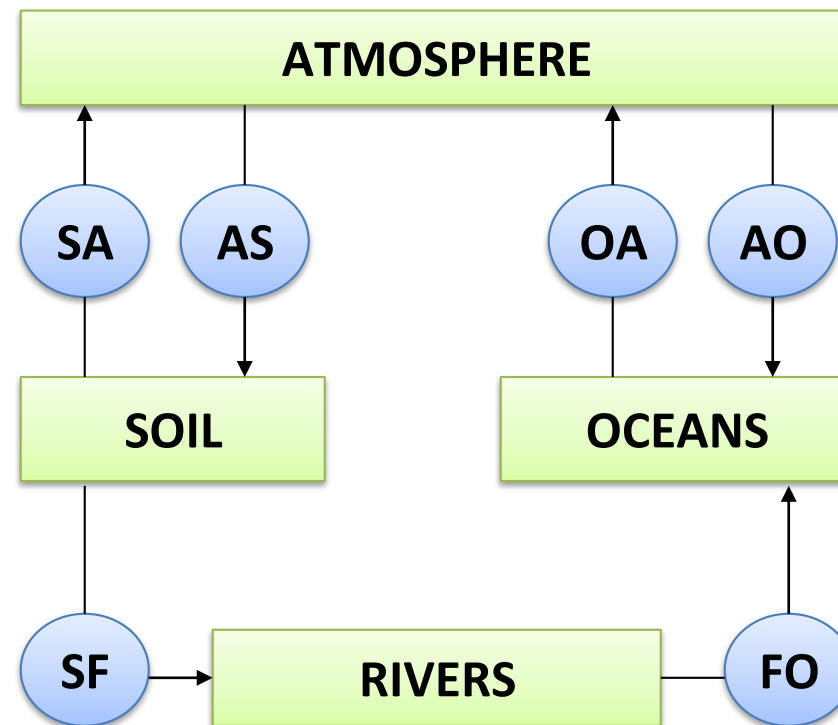


material flow



compartment or sub-compartment of the biosphere containing part of the stock of a given substance

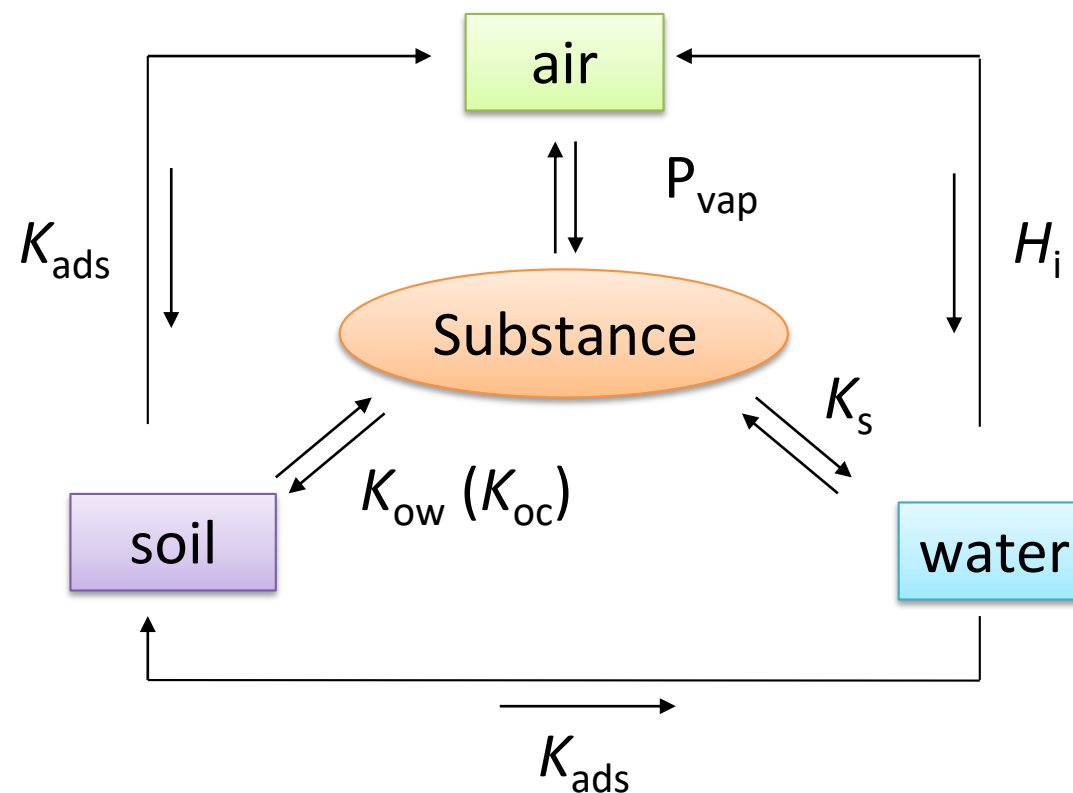
source or sink



Simple model of a biogeochemical cycle

Distribution of a substance in the biosphere

- The *distribution* of a substance in the compartments of the biosphere depends on its *physico-chemical properties*
 - Phase change temperatures
 - Equilibrium constants
 - 1. **Vapor pressure (P_{vap}):**
pressure of the saturated gas phase above the liquid or solid phase
 - 2. **Solubility in water (hydrophilicity): K_s**
solubility constant
 - 3. **Solubility in fat (lipophilicity): K_{ow}**
distribution coefficient [octanol/water]
 - 4. **Adsorption on organic matter: K_{oc}**
distribution coefficient [C_{organic} /water]
 - 5. **Adsorption on solid surface: K_{ads}**
 - 6. **Solubility of gas in water: H_i**
Henry's constant
- The *physico-chemical properties* of a substance depends on:
 - the external environment
 - its structure!



All these constants depend on pressure and temperature

➔ Structure-activity relationships (SAR)

Prediction of the Fate of Organic Compounds in the Environment From Their Molecular Properties: A Review

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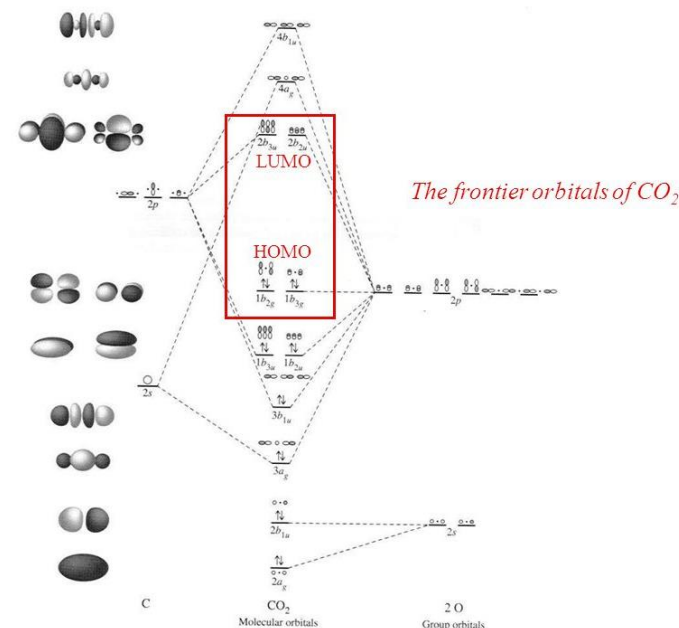
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A comprehensive review of quantitative structure-activity relationships (QSAR) allowing the prediction of the fate of organic compounds in the environment from their molecular properties was done. The considered processes were water dissolution, dissociation, volatilization, retention on soils and sediments (mainly adsorption and desorption), degradation (biotic and abiotic), and absorption by plants. A total of 790 equations involving 686 structural molecular descriptors are reported to estimate 90 environmental parameters related to these processes. A significant number of equations was found for dissociation process (pK_a), water dissolution or

hydrophobic behavior (especially through the K_{OW} parameter), adsorption to soils and biodegradation. A lack of QSAR was observed to estimate desorption or potential of transfer to water. Among the 686 molecular descriptors, five were found to be dominant in the 790 collected equations and the most generic ones: four quantum-chemical descriptors, the energy of the highest occupied molecular orbital (E_{HOMO}) and the energy of the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (E_{LUMO}), polarizability (α) and dipole moment (μ), and one constitutional descriptor, the molecular weight. Keeping in mind that the combination of descriptors belonging to different categories (constitutional, topological, quantum-chemical) led to improve QSAR performances, these descriptors should be considered for the development of new QSAR, for further predictions of environmental parameters. This review also allows finding of the relevant QSAR equations to predict the fate of a wide diversity of compounds in the environment.



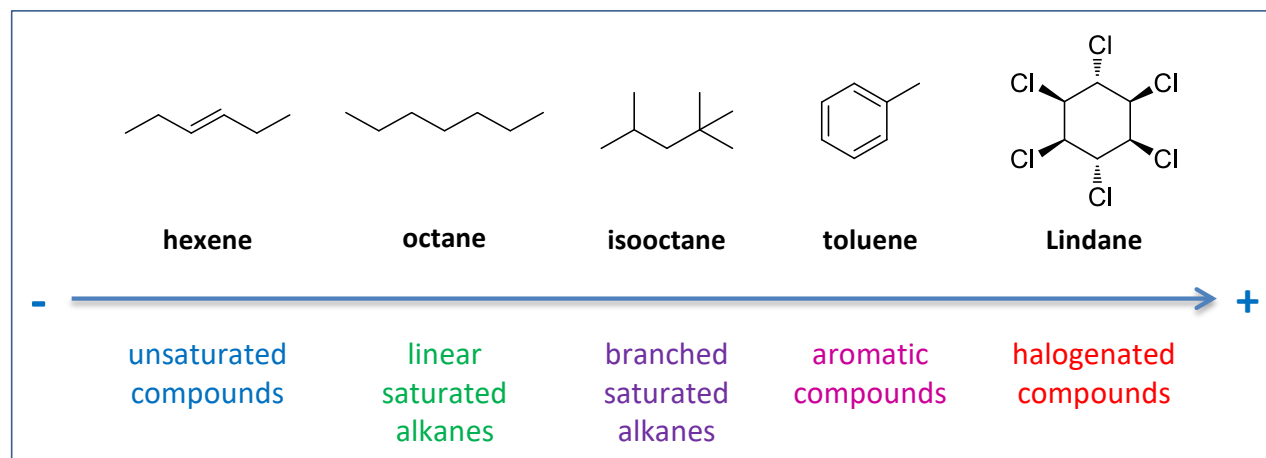
Biodegradability and persistence of chemicals

⇒ Structure-activity relationships (SAR)

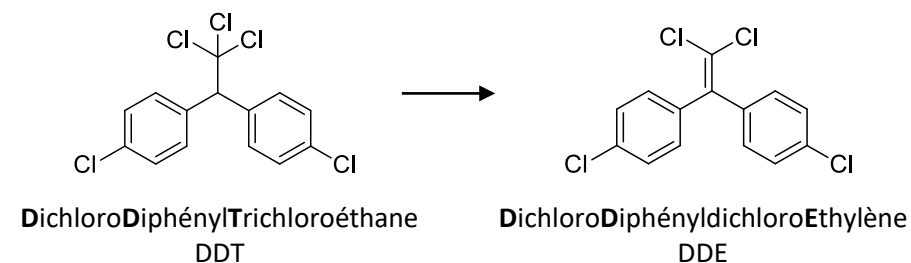
- **Biodegradability:** a substance is said to be *biodegradable* if, under the action of *living organisms* (bacteria, fungi, algae...), it can decompose into various elements that have *no harmful effect* on the natural environment.

Final biodegradability (OCDE) : > 60% in 28 days

- **Persistence:** the ability of substances to persist in the environment without alteration by physical, chemical or biological processes.
 - inorganic substances are in principle persistent
 - organic compounds may be non-persistent, slightly persistent or very persistent (cf. POP = persistent organic pollutants)



Comparative persistence of some organic compounds



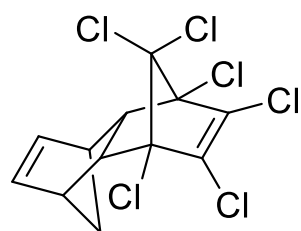
- *Metabolites* of some persistent chemicals may be persistent themselves.

Persistent Organic Pollutants (POP)

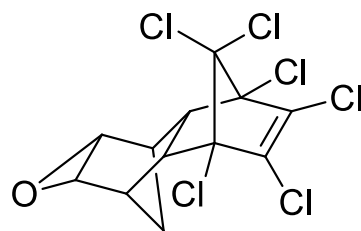
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 - are toxic,
 - can be mobile over long distances.



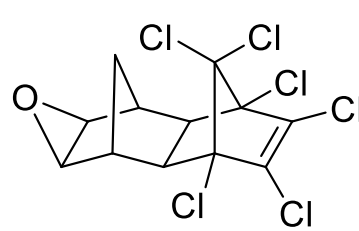
Aarhus Protocol on POP
(1998)



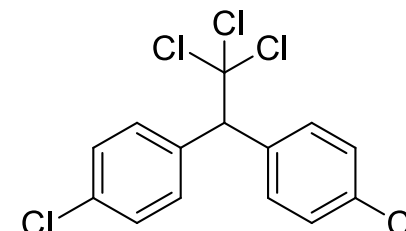
Aldrine
insecticide



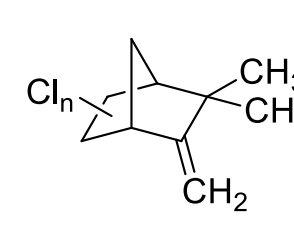
Dieldrin
insecticide



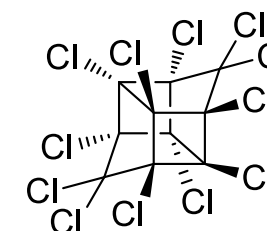
Endrine
insecticide



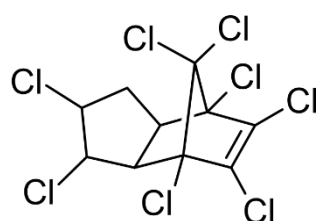
DDT
insecticide



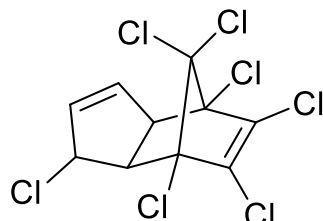
Toxaphene
insecticide



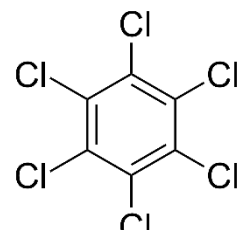
Mirex
insecticide



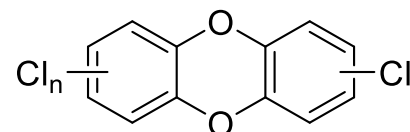
Chlordane
insecticide



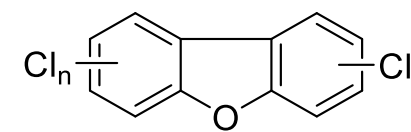
Heptachlore
insecticide



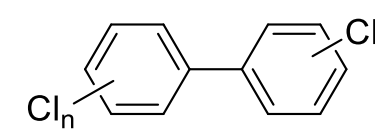
Hexachlorobenzene
fungicide



PCDD (dioxines)
incineration residues...



PCDF (furanes)
incineration residues...



PCB
plastic additives...

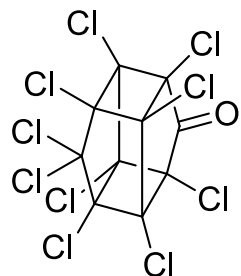
“The Dirty Dozen” (Stockholm Convention/Aarhus Protocol, 2003-2004)

Persistent Organic Pollutants (POP)

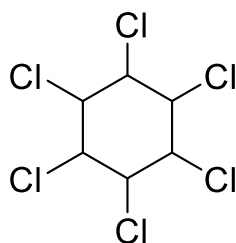
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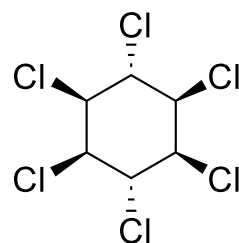
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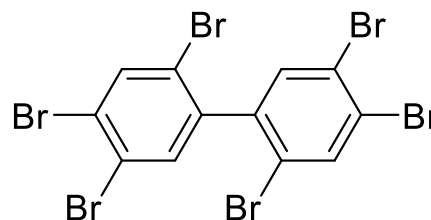
Chlordecone
insecticide



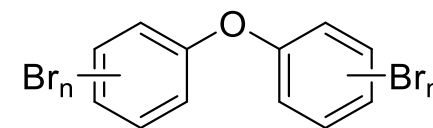
HCH (α, β, γ ...)
insecticides



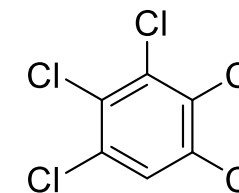
γ -HCH (Lindane)
insecticide



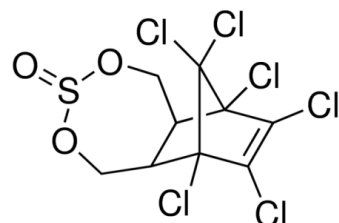
hexabromobiphenyls
flame retardant



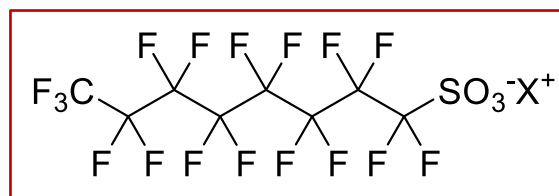
Polybrominated diphenyl ethers
(PBDE) *flame retardant*



Pentachlorobenzene
fungicide



Endosulfane
insecticide



Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS)
Cf PFAS

→ Cf. Dupont de Nemours (Teflon, « Dark Waters »)

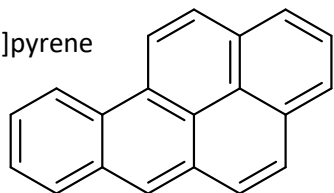
Persistent Organic Pollutants (POP)

- **Chemicals** that:
 - accumulate in living organisms,
 - are persistent in the environment,
 - are toxic,
 - can be mobile over long distances.

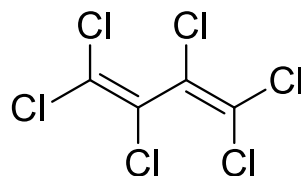


Aarhus Protocol on POP
(1998)

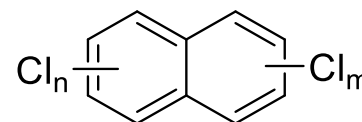
Ex: benzo[a]pyrene



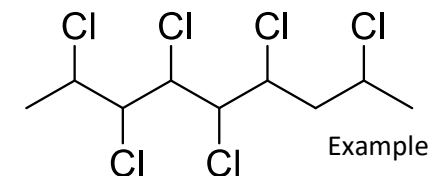
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons PAH (**HAP**)
by-products of incomplete combustion



Hexachlorobutadiene
industrial chemical

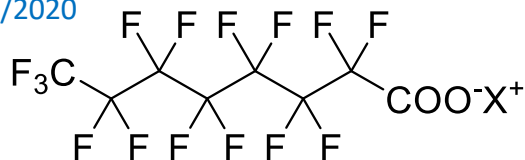


Polychlorinated naphthalenes
additives, insulating agent



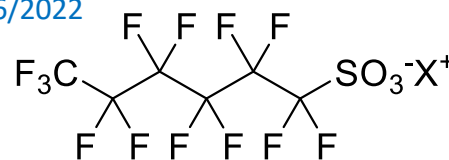
Short-chain chlorinated paraffines
(SCCP/PCCC)
metalworking fluids

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Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOA)
*PFAS : non-stick coatings (frying pans...),
μ-wave packaging*

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Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)
*PFAS : technical clothing additives,
foams, packaging...*

Other per/poly-fluoroalkylated substances
(PFAS)

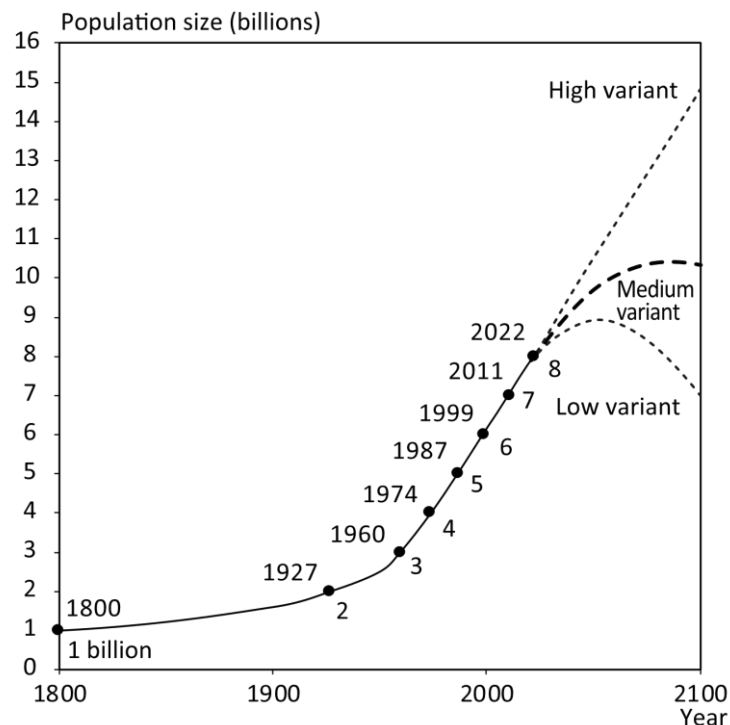
→ evaluation in progress (INERIS, ANSES, ECHA...)

Aarhus Protocol (2012-2022)

Human impact on the environment

Man has become the *determining factor* in the biosphere. He is transforming the environment through the development of:

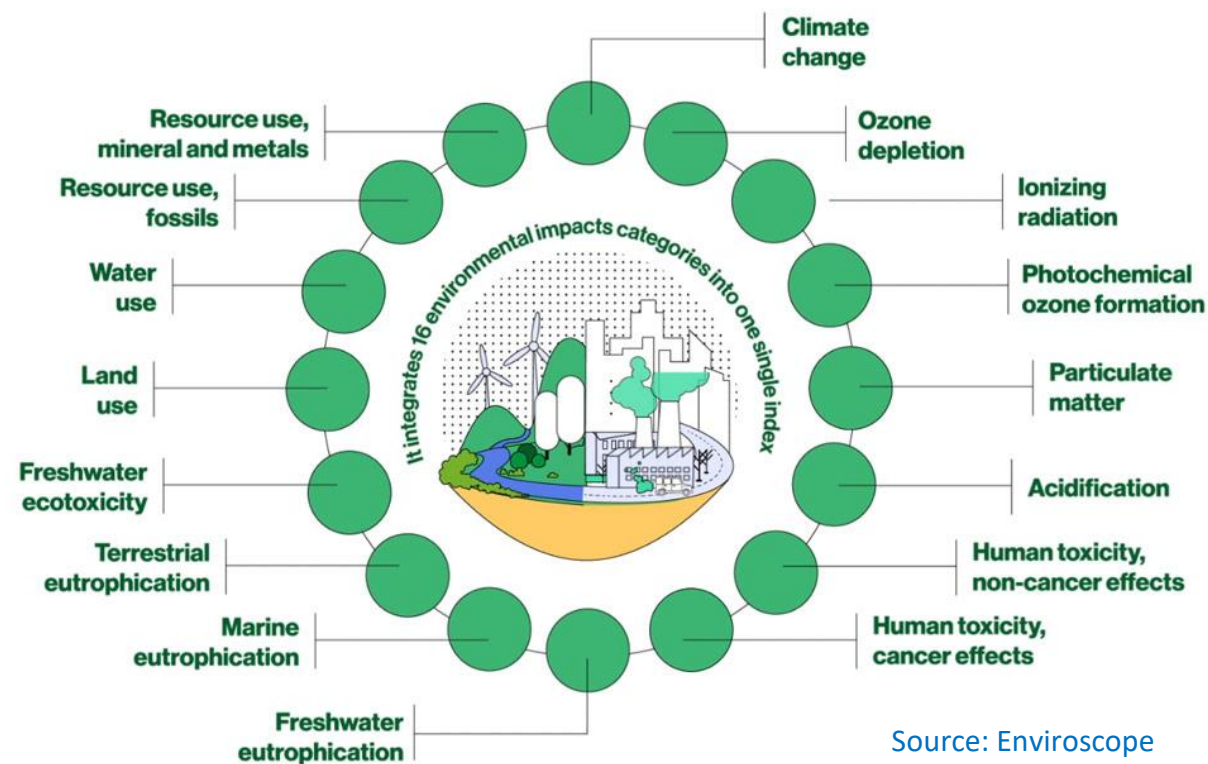
- energy production and consumption,
- industrialization (1850),
- agriculture (food needs),
- infrastructures (roads, housing...).



World population growth since 1800 and projections to 2100

Gilles Pison, Population & Sociétés, no. 604, INED, October 2022. Source : United Nations.

Associated environmental impacts (cf. LCA/ACV):



➔ The main causes of chemical pollution:

- Energy production and consumption
- Industrial activities
- Agricultural activities

3. Main sources of chemical pollution

I. Energy production:

- carbon cycle, greenhouse effect, fossil fuels, alternatives)

II. Industrial activities:

- synthetic materials, halogenated derivatives, metallurgy, sulfur and TME cycles

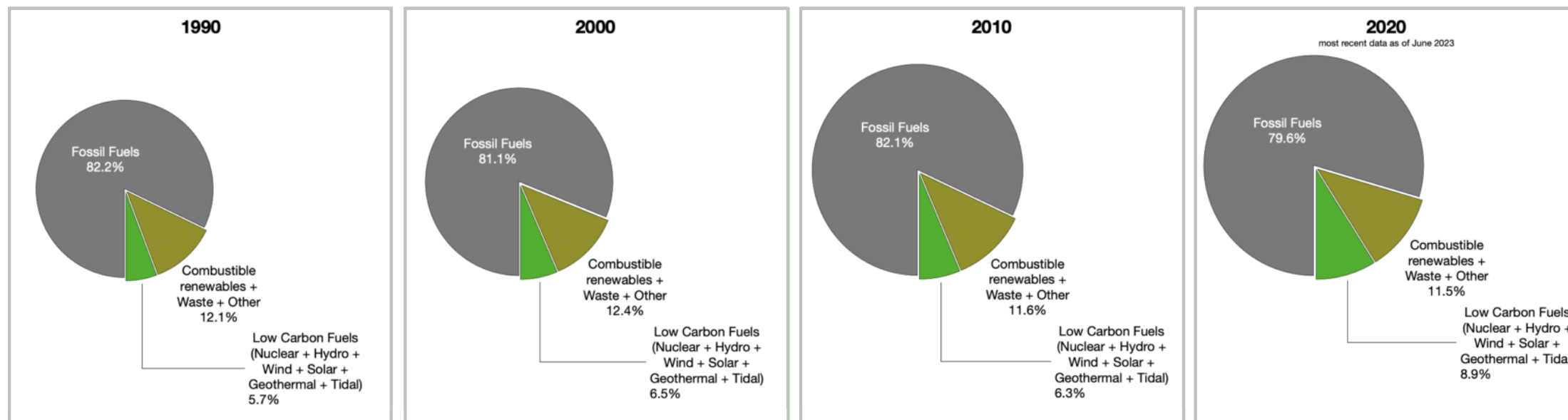
III. Agricultural activities:

- fertilizers, pesticides, nitrogen and phosphorus cycles



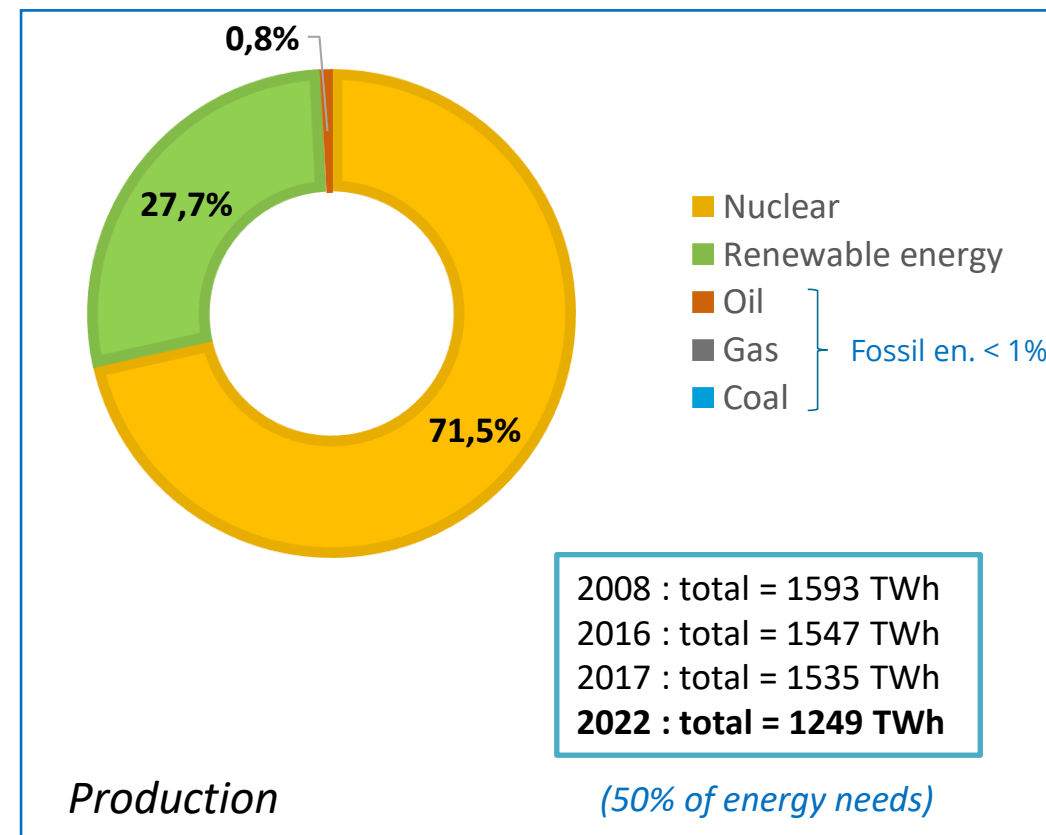
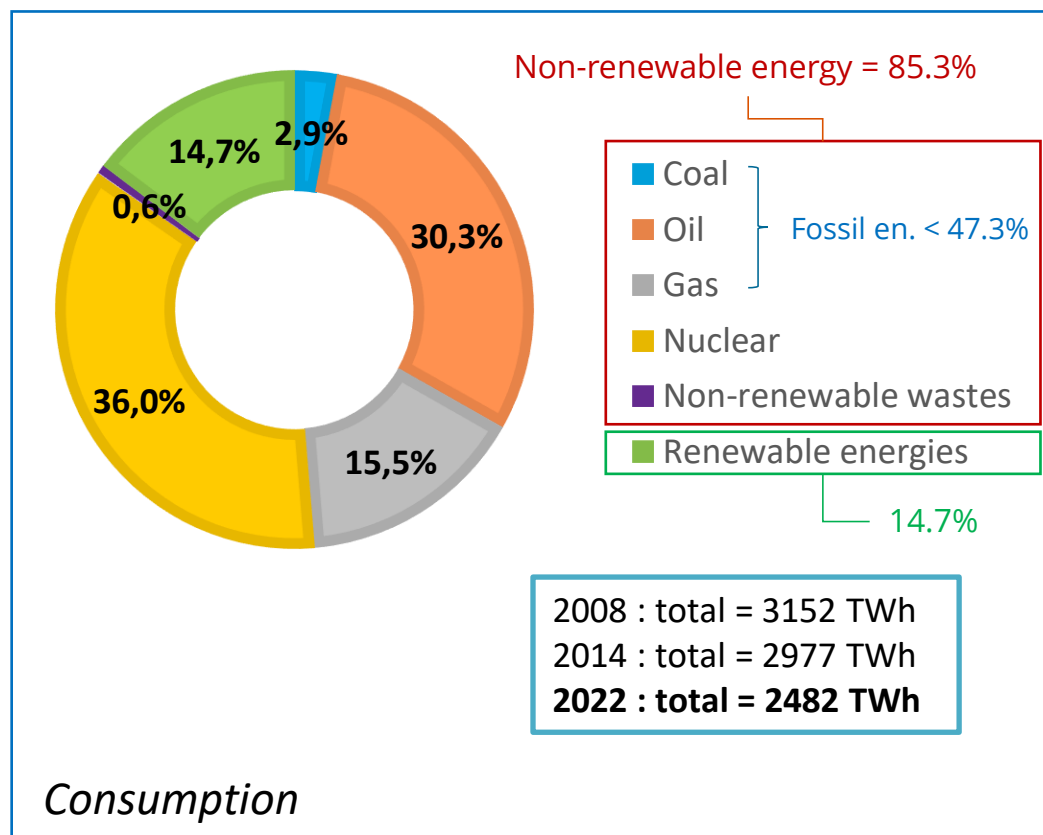
I. First cause of pollution: energy production and consumption

The area of each pie chart is proportional to total annual energy consumption of the respective year.



Source : EIA 2022

a. Primary energy consumption and production in France (2022)

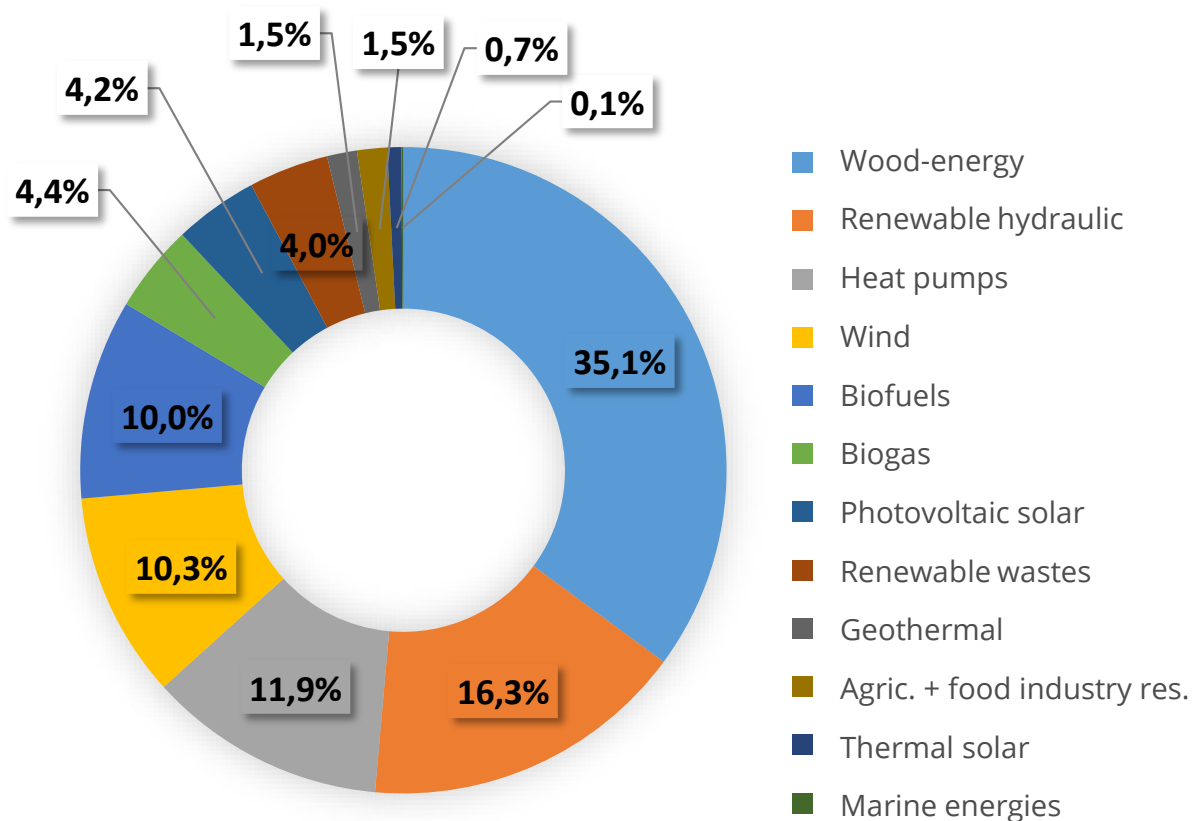


Primary energy: whose source is available in nature without transformation

Renewable energy: regeneration \geq consumption: wind, solar, photovoltaic, geothermal, wood, renewable hydraulics, heat pumps, biofuels...

Source : SDES

b. Renewable primary energy production in France (2021)



2021 : total = 345 TWh

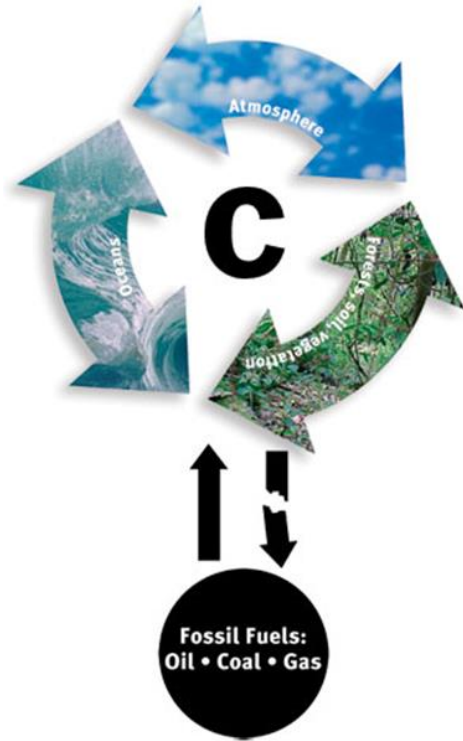
(22.7% of total PE production in 2021)

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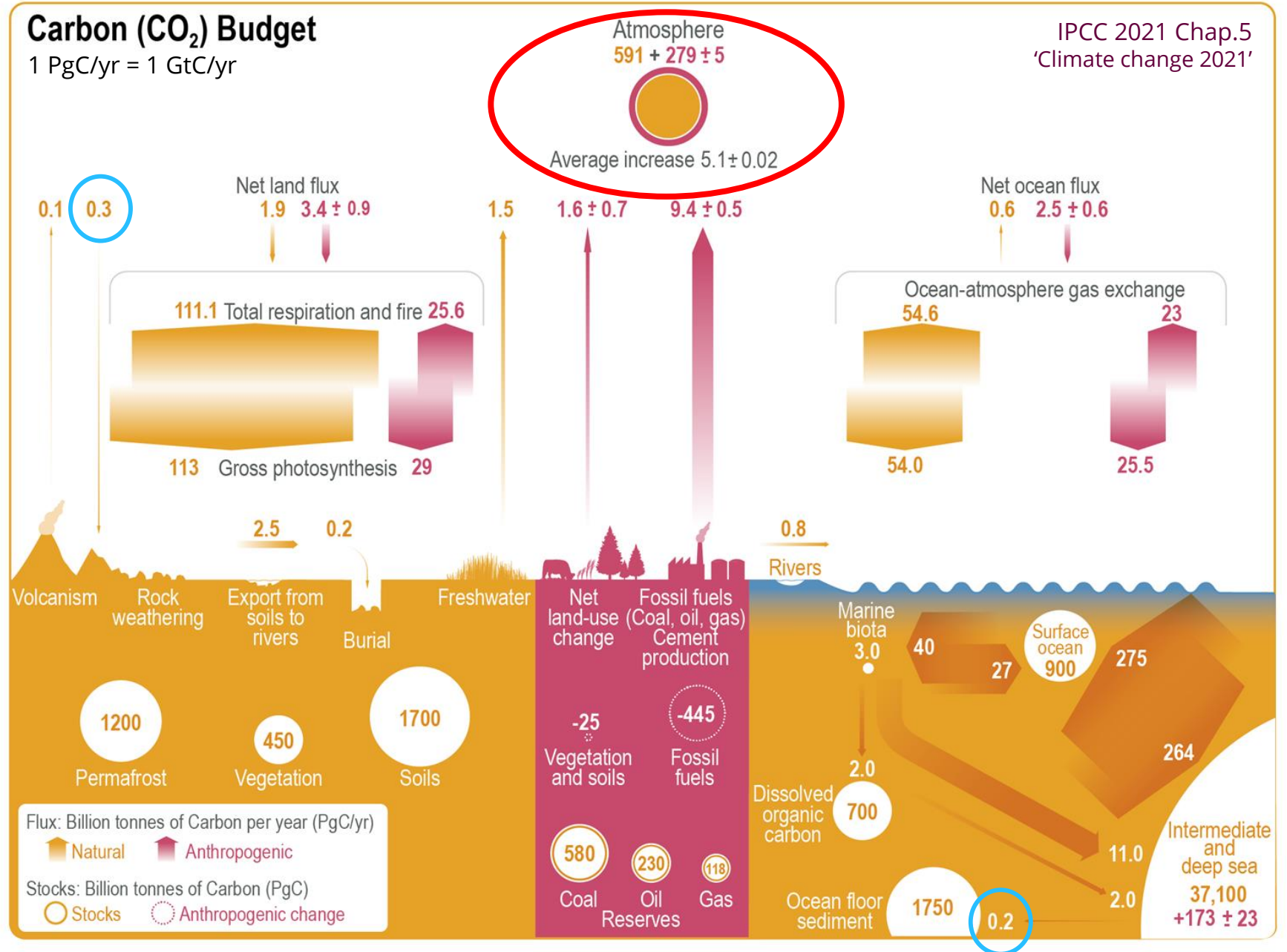
c. The carbon cycle



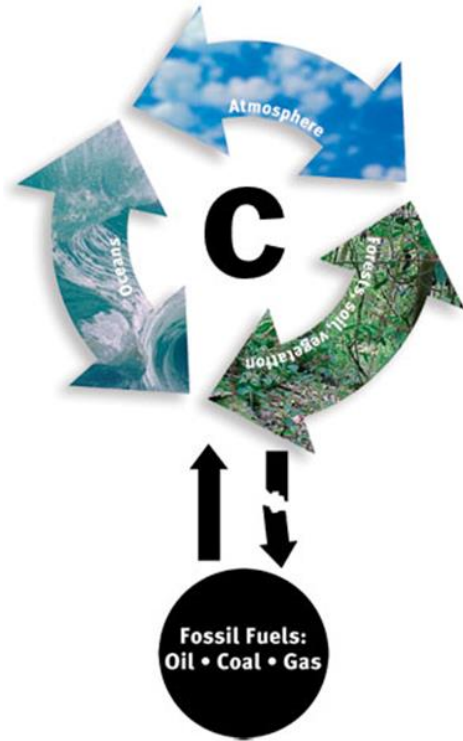
Carbon (CO₂) Budget

1 PgC/yr = 1 GtC/yr

IPCC 2021 Chap.5
'Climate change 2021'



c. The carbon cycle



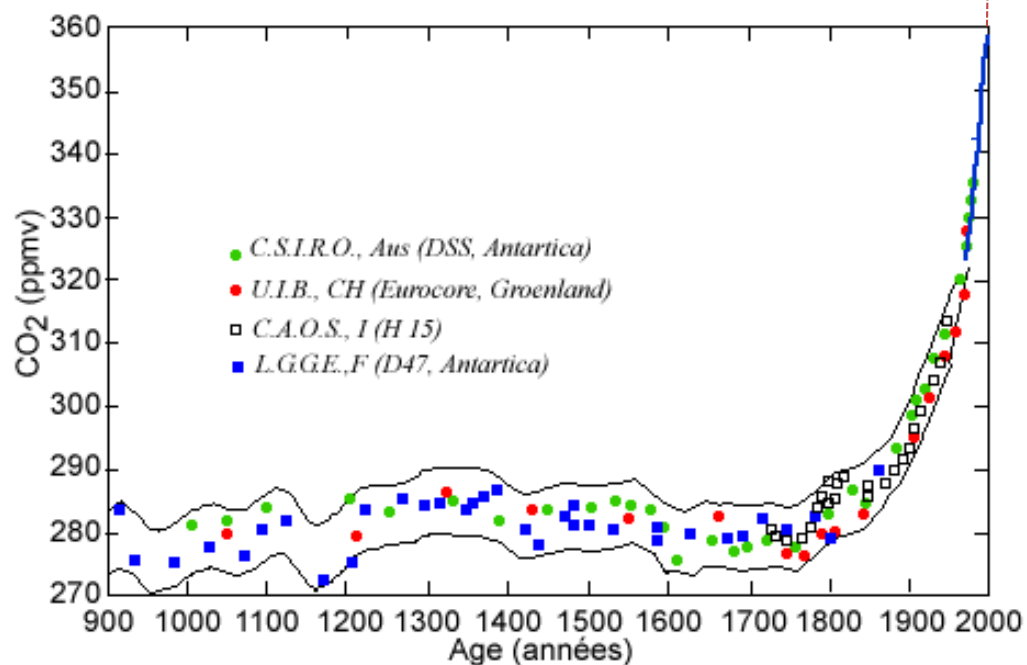
The emission of fossil carbon (long cycle) into the atmosphere (short cycle) is an irreversible process on a human scale...

...unless we can capture and store this carbon permanently at a GtC/yr scale in the near future (cf. CCUS)!

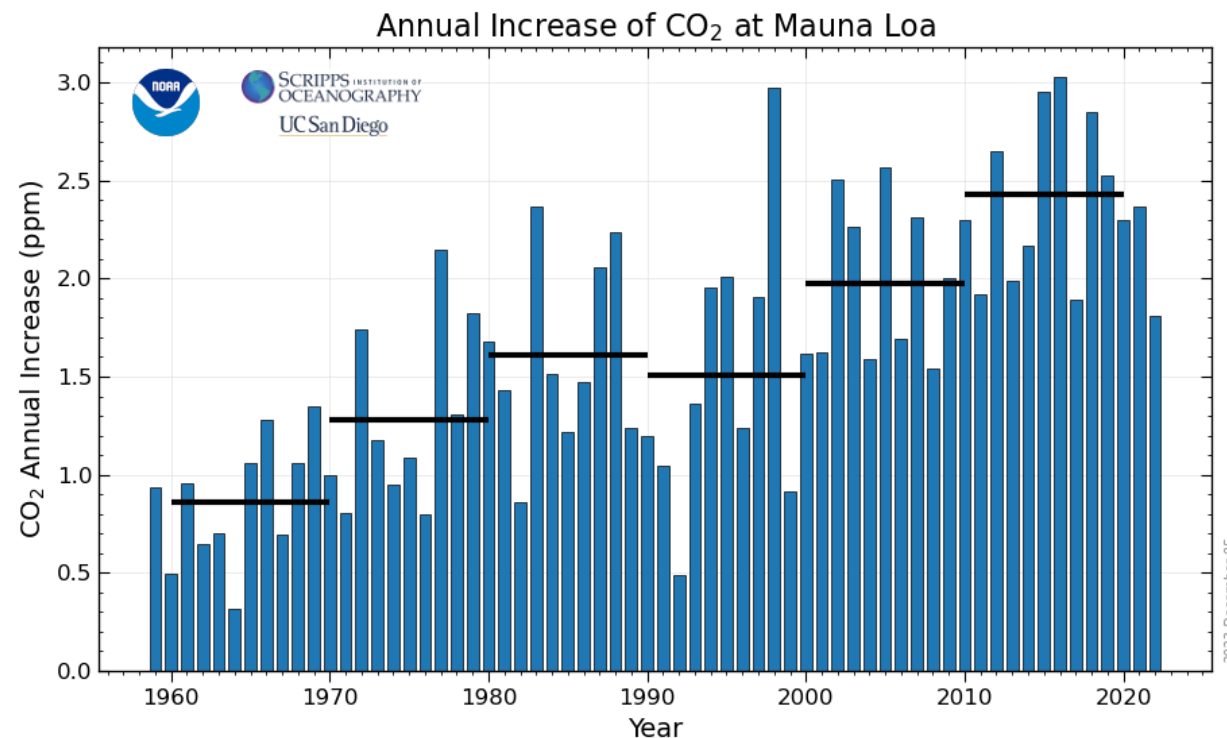
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Variation in atmospheric CO₂ content

◆ **2023 : 420.5 ppm** (+ 2 to 3 ppm/yr)
(Mauna Loa, annual mean, Nov. 2023)



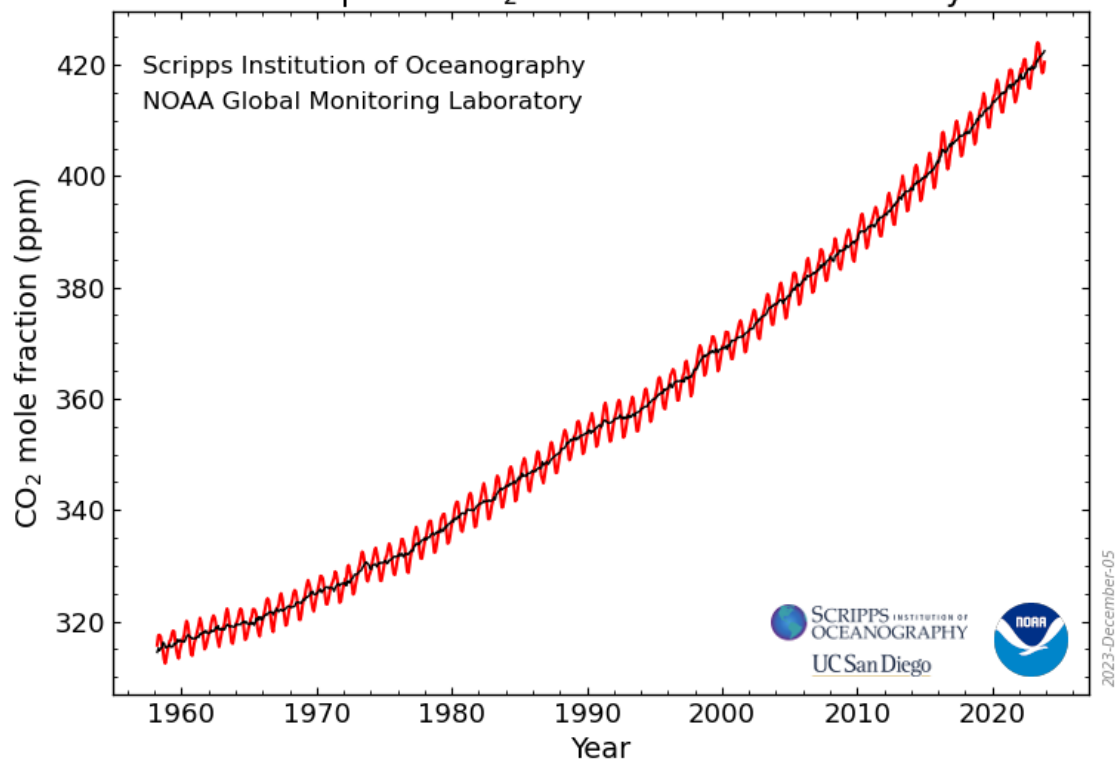
Compilation d'après J.M. Barnola et J. Chappelaz (LGGE),
figure extraite et modifiée à partir du site
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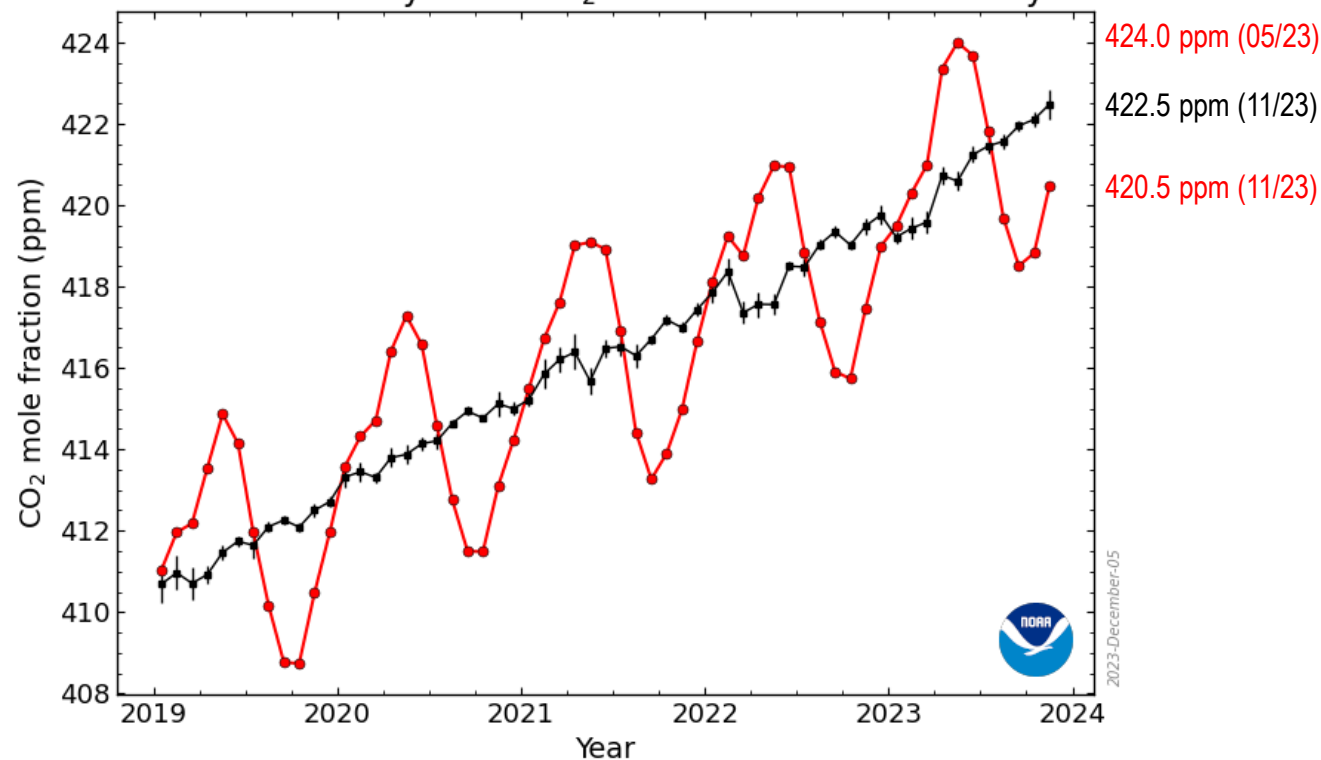
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Variation in atmospheric CO₂ content

Atmospheric CO₂ at Mauna Loa Observatory



Recent Monthly Mean CO₂ at Mauna Loa Observatory



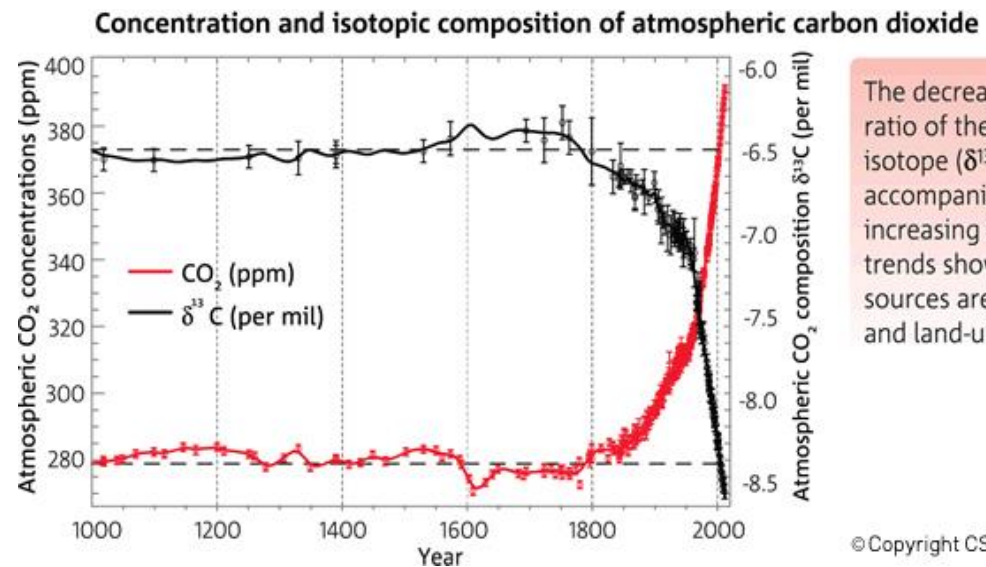
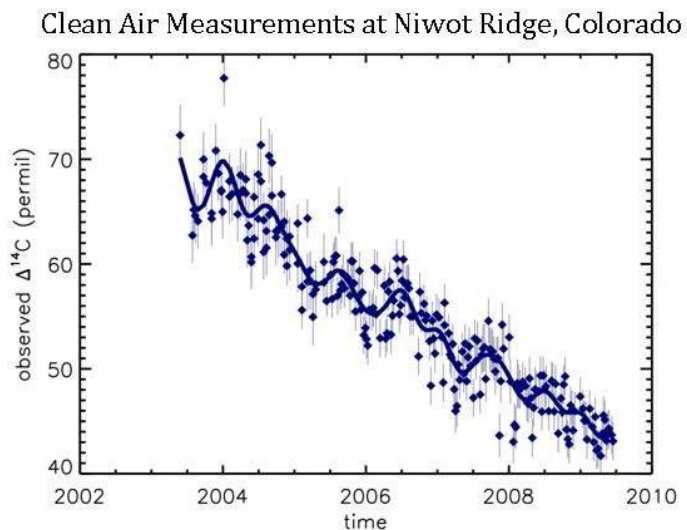
c. The carbon cycle

Yes, the increase in CO₂ in the air is the result of human activity!

- fossil fuels (8.5 GtC/yr)
- Land use (1,5 GtC/yr)
- cement (1 GtC/yr)

$$\delta^{13}\text{C} = \left[\frac{\left(\frac{^{13}\text{C}}{^{12}\text{C}} \right)_{\text{ech}}}{\left(\frac{^{13}\text{C}}{^{12}\text{C}} \right)_{\text{std}}} - 1 \right] \times 1000$$

CO ₂ source	Δ ¹⁴ C (‰)	δ ¹³ C (‰)
Fossil fuels	-1000	-28
Biomass	+45	-26
Hydrosphere	+45	-10
Atmosphere	+45	-8



The decrease in the ratio of the carbon-13 isotope (δ¹³C) that accompanies increasing CO₂ trends show that the sources are fossil fuel and land-use change.

GreenHouse Gases (GHG)

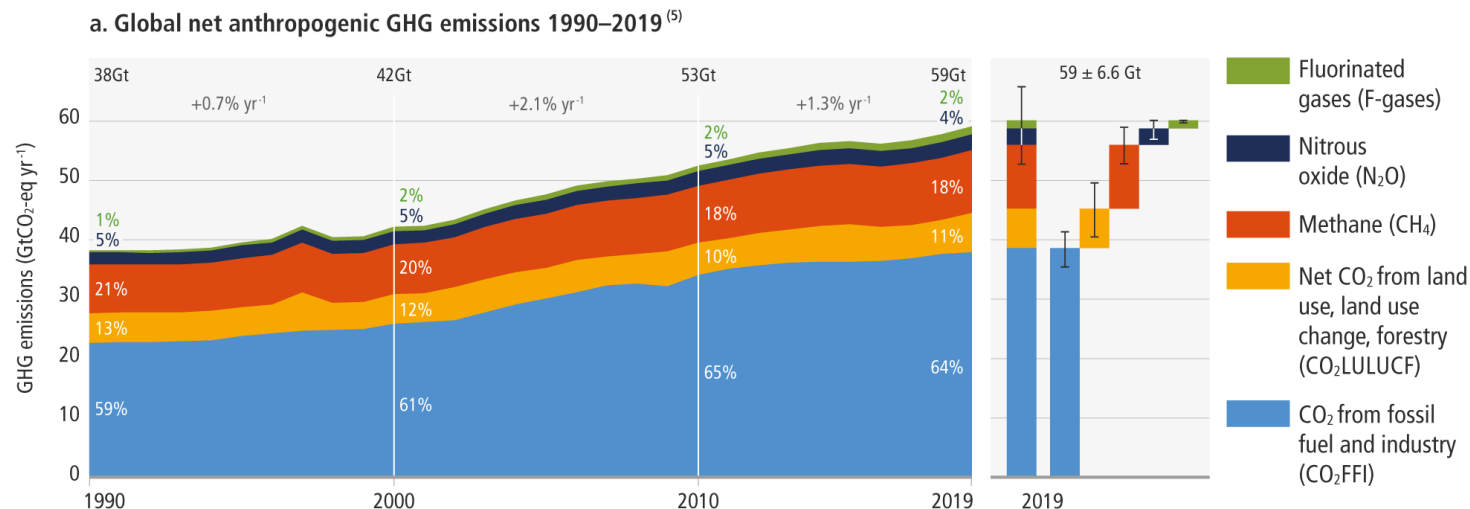
c. The carbon cycle

Gas (not including H ₂ O)	Atm. content (2018)	ΔF (GWP/PRG @ 100 years)*
CO₂	409 ppm	1
CH ₄	1,86 ppm	30
N₂O	331 ppb	265
O ₃ tropospheric	50 ppb	-
R11 (CCl₃F)	232 ppt	5,160
R12 (CCl₂F₂)	522 ppt	10,300
SF₆	11 ppt	22,800

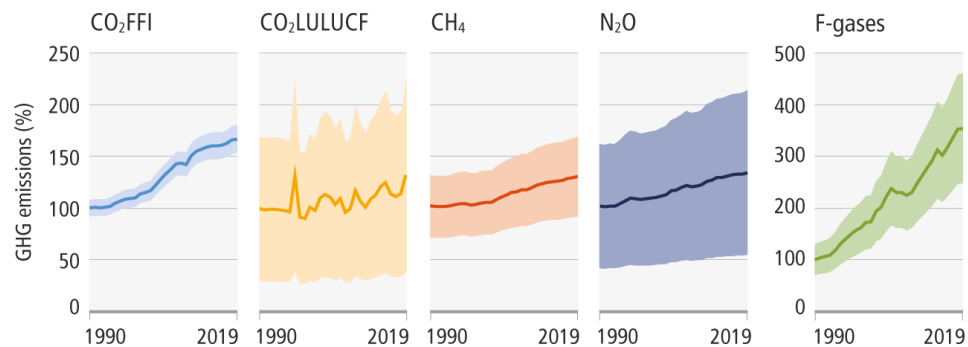
* GWP : Global Warming Potential
PRG : Potentiel de Réchauffement Global

Bold: highly stable

Global net anthropogenic emissions have continued to rise across all major groups of greenhouse gases.



b. Global anthropogenic GHG emissions and uncertainties by gas – relative to 1990

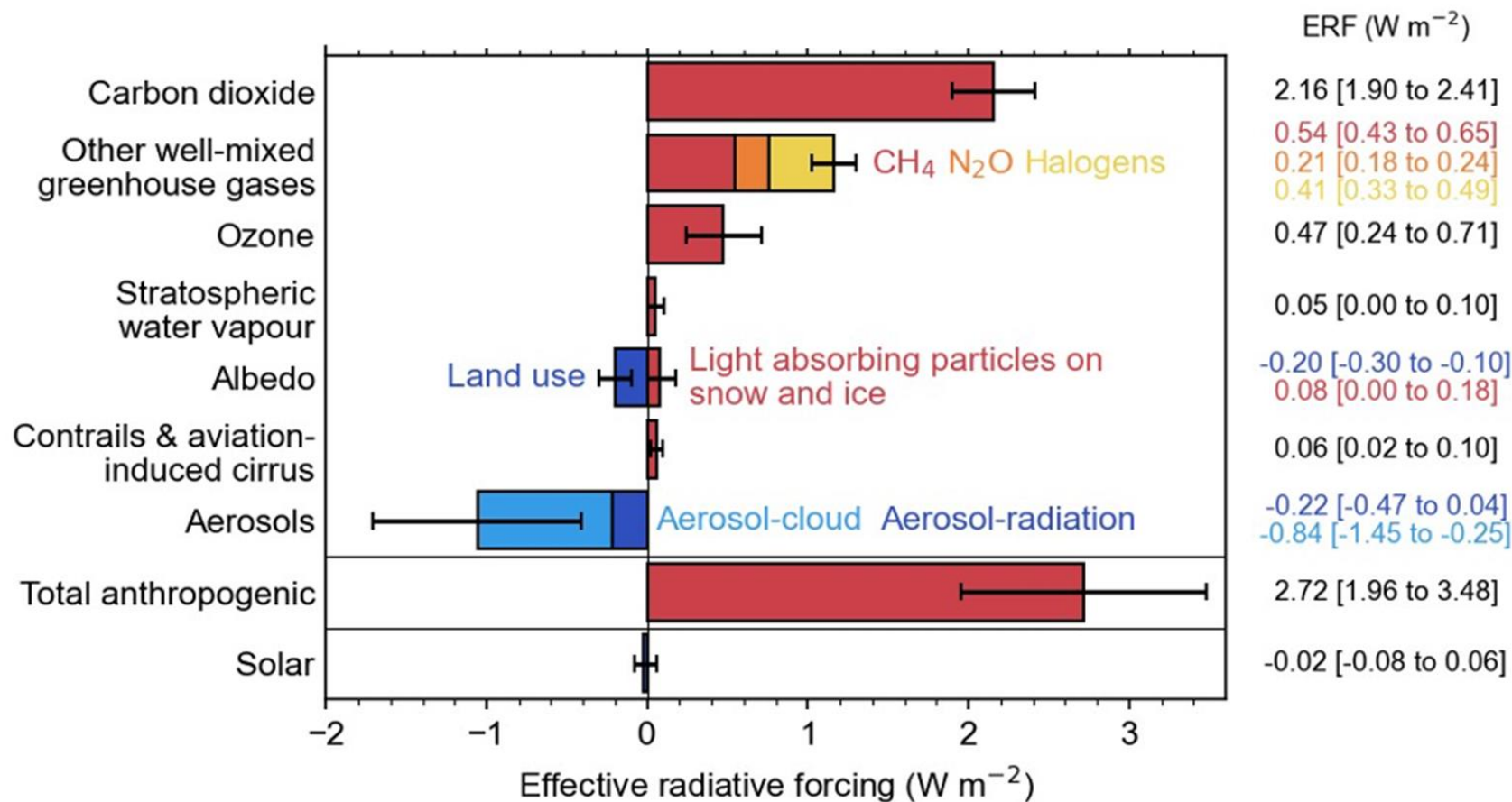


The solid line indicates central estimate of emissions trends. The shaded area indicates the uncertainty range.

GreenHouse Gases (GHG)

c. The carbon cycle

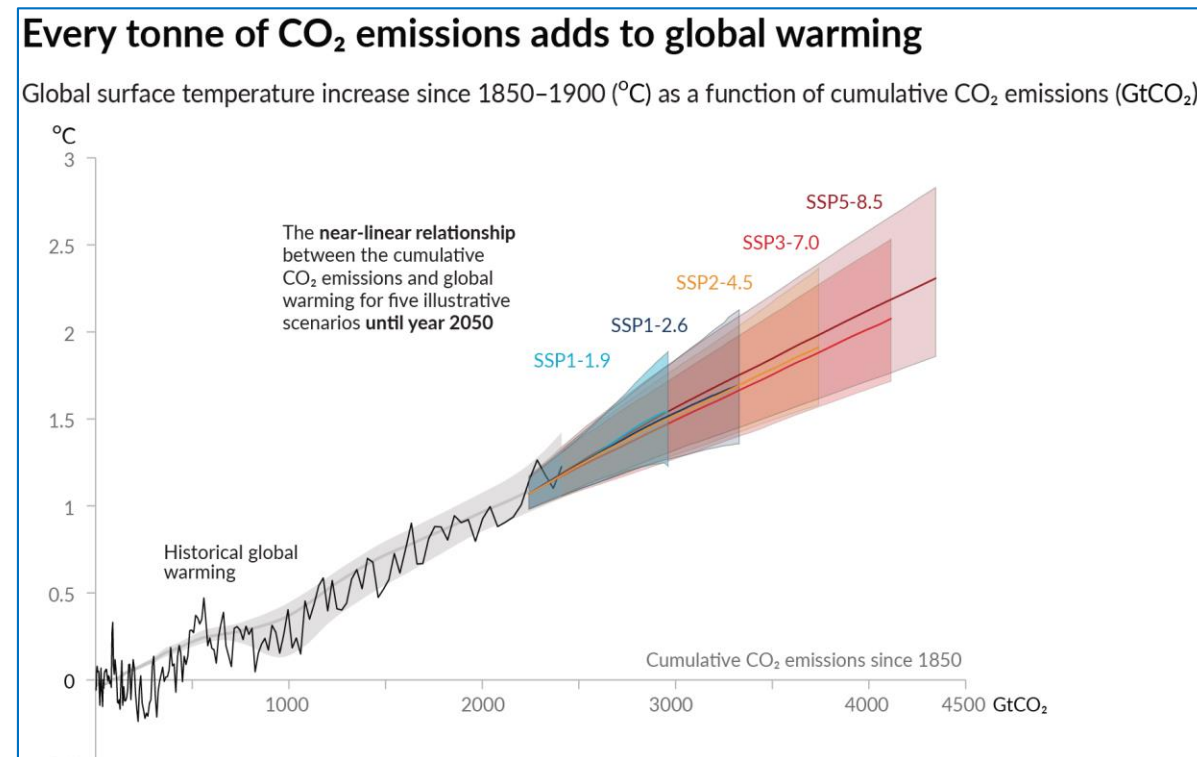
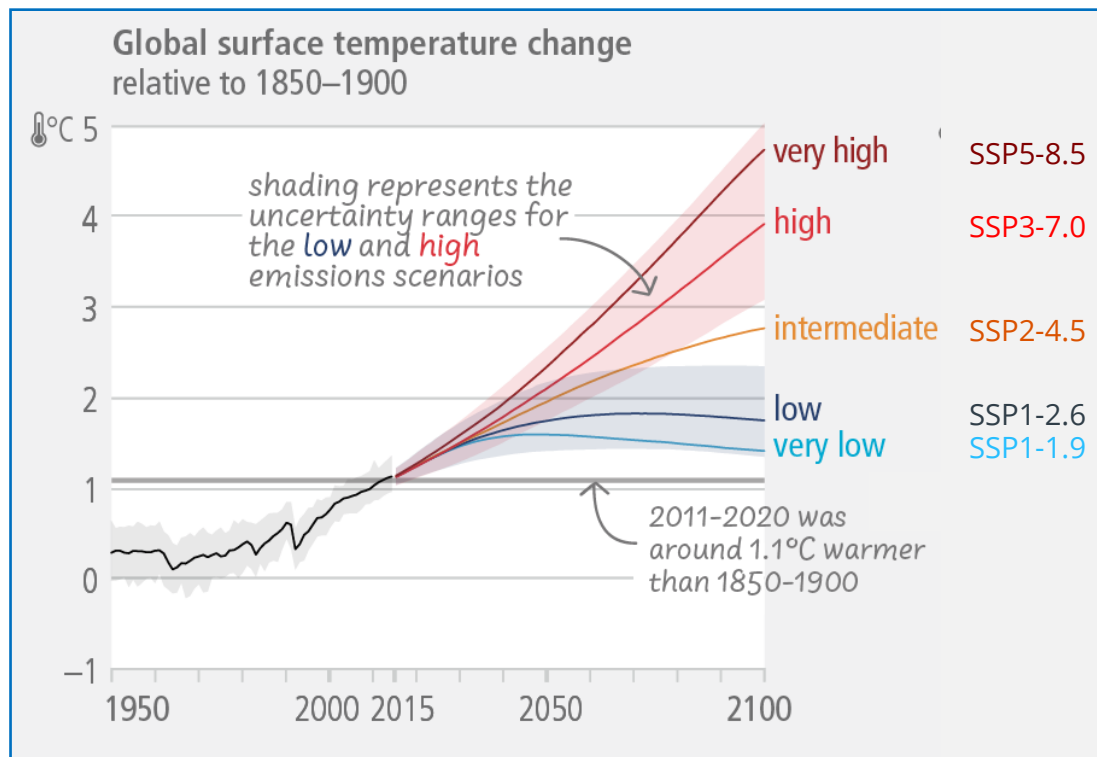
Change in effective radiative forcing from 1750 to 2019



IPCC emissions scenarios

<https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar6/syr/figures>

c. The carbon cycle



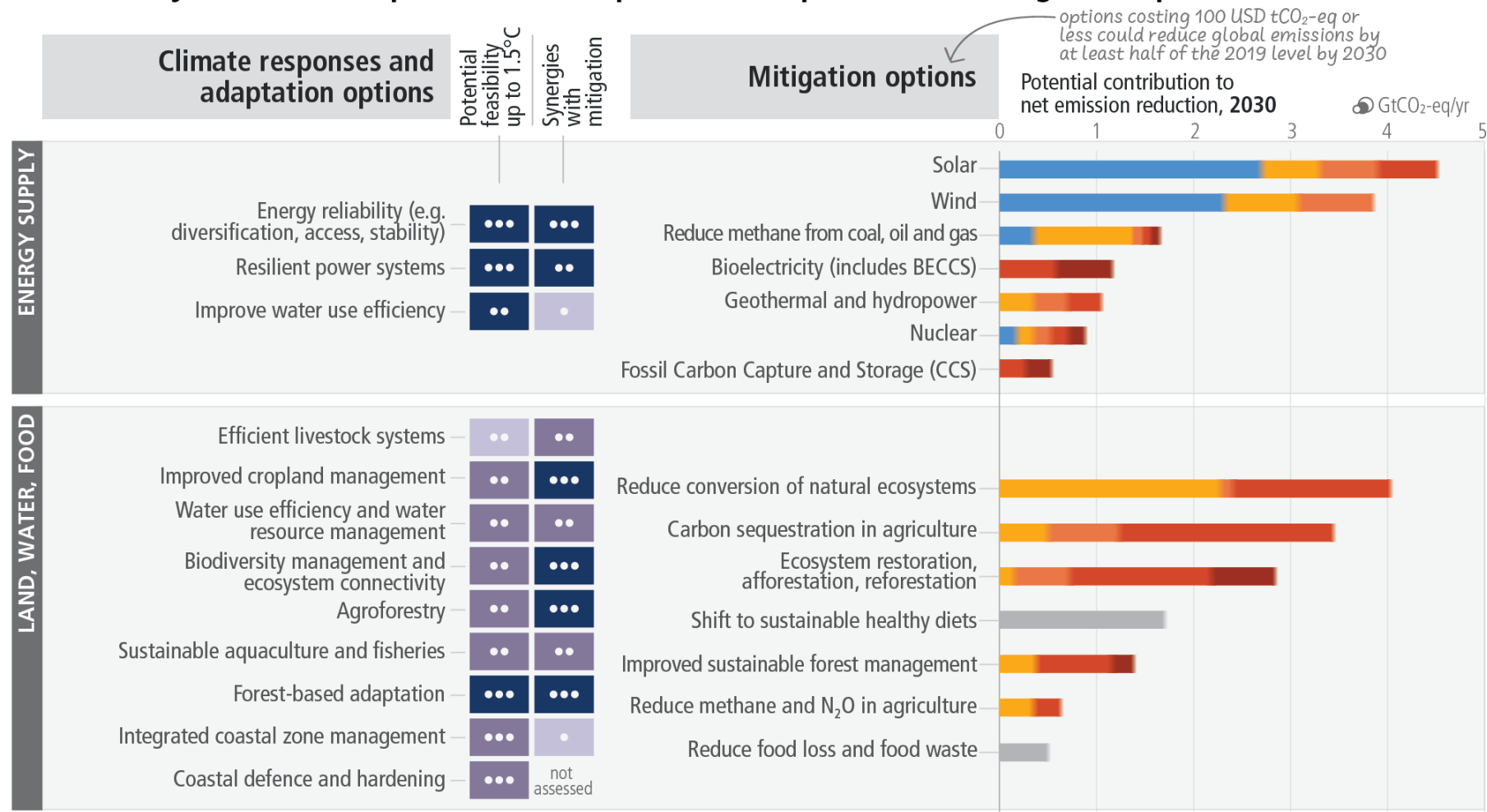
SSPx-y: Shared Socio-economic Pathway x; y = radiative forcing (W/m²)

IPCC emissions scenarios

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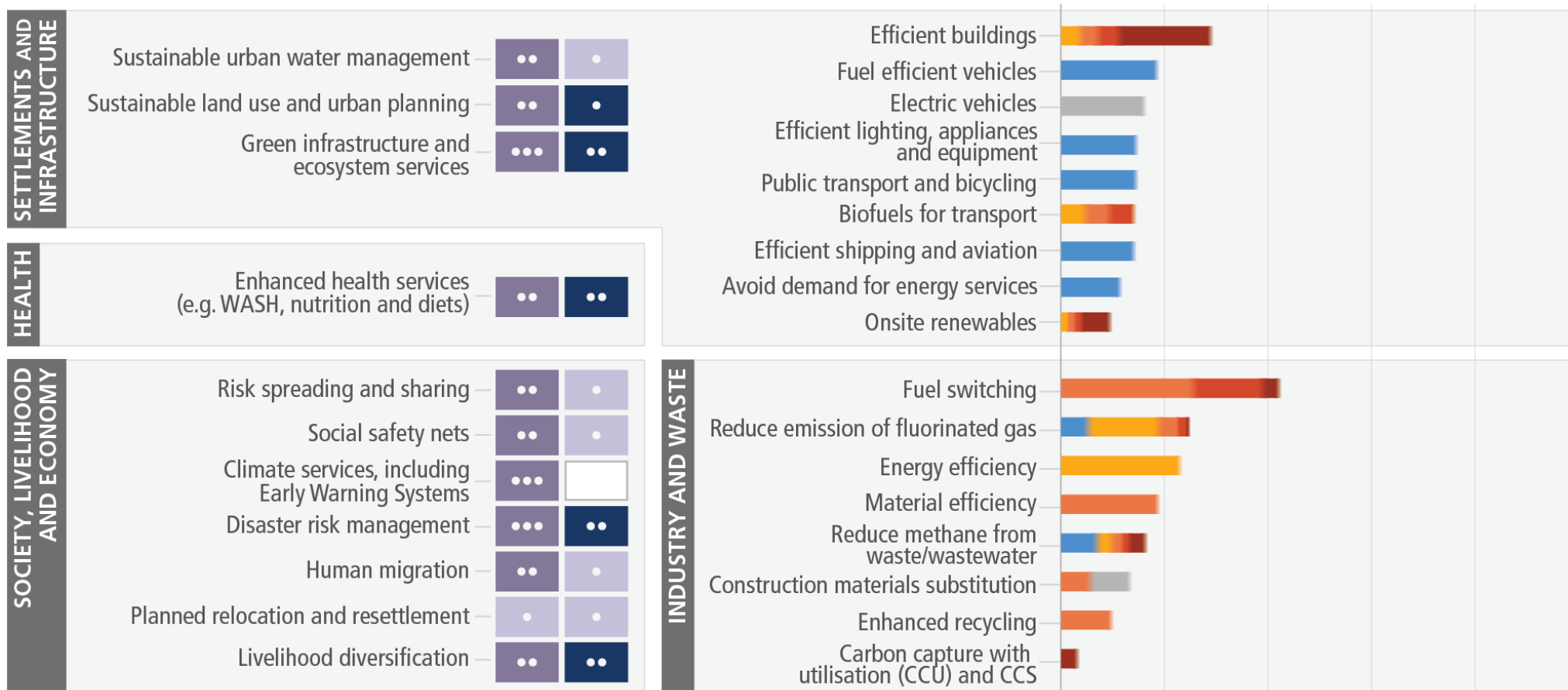
a) Feasibility of climate responses and adaptation, and potential of mitigation options in the near-term



IPCC emissions scenarios

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c. The carbon cycle



Feasibility level and synergies with mitigation

High
 Medium
 Low

 Insufficient evidence

Confidence level in potential feasibility and in synergies with mitigation

High
 Medium
 Low

Net lifetime cost of options:

Costs are lower than the reference
 0-20 (USD per tCO₂-eq)
 50-100 (USD per tCO₂-eq)

 100-200 (USD per tCO₂-eq)

 Cost not allocated due to high variability or lack of data

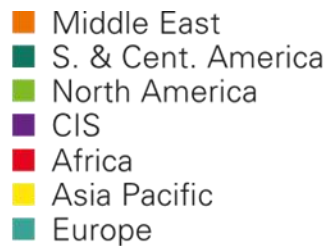
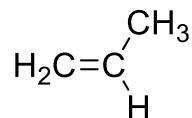
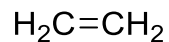
d. Natural Gas

The "cleanest" of fossil fuels – VOC (volatile organic compounds)/COV



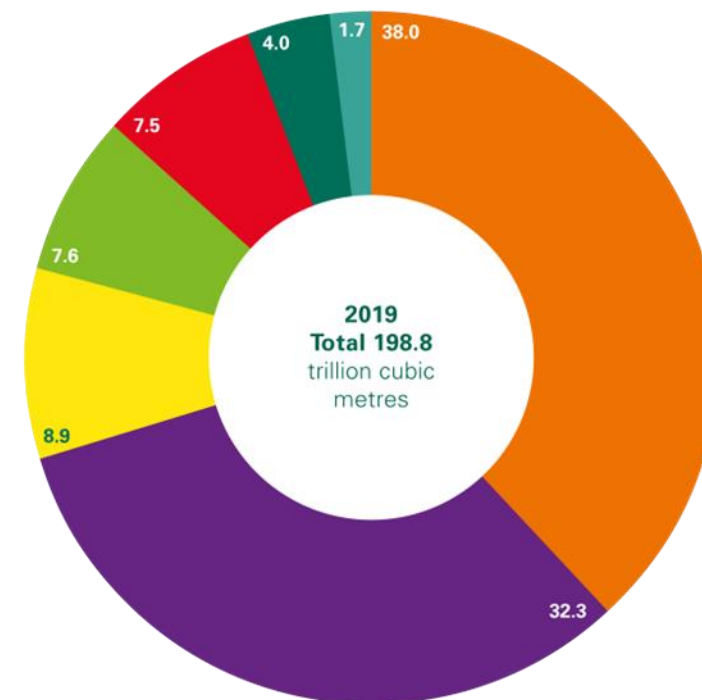
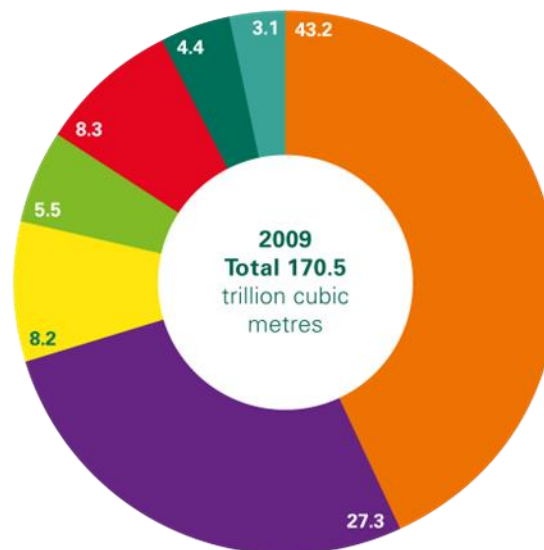
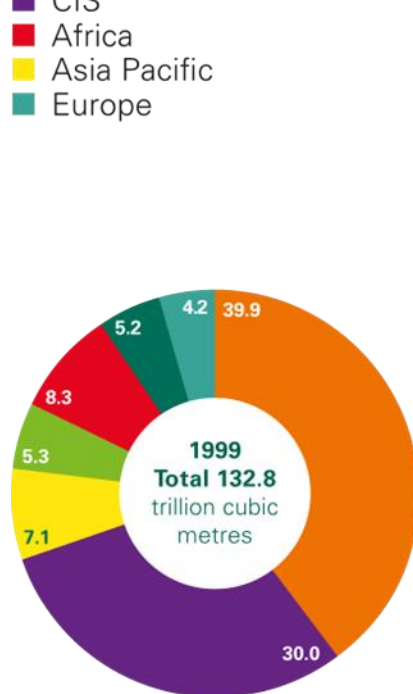
Components	%
CH ₄	90
C ₂ H ₆	5
C ₃ H ₈	1
C ₄ H ₁₀	0,2
N ₂	2,2
CO ₂	1,4

↓ cracking



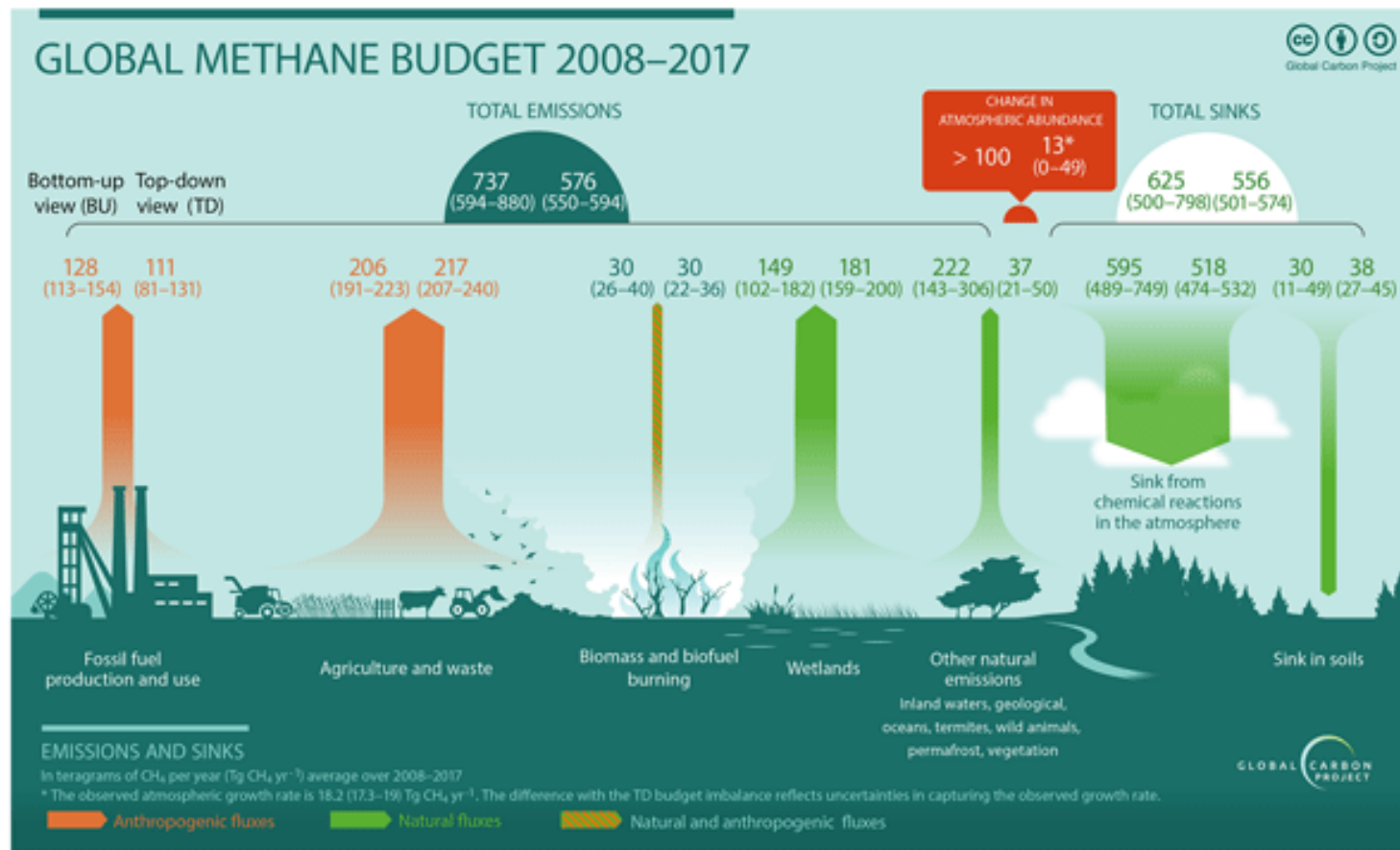
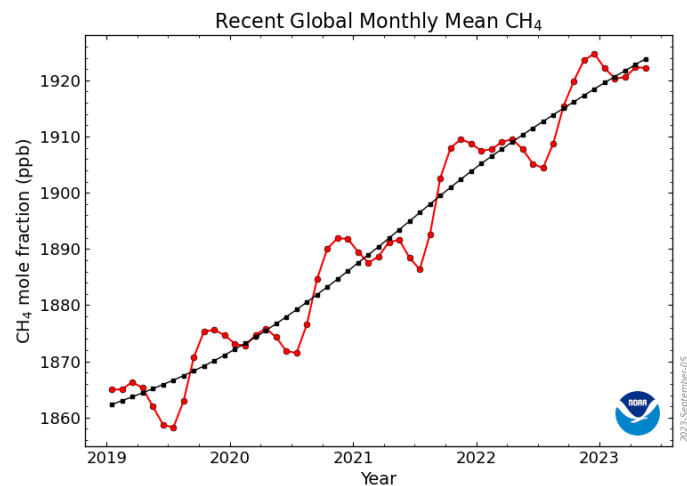
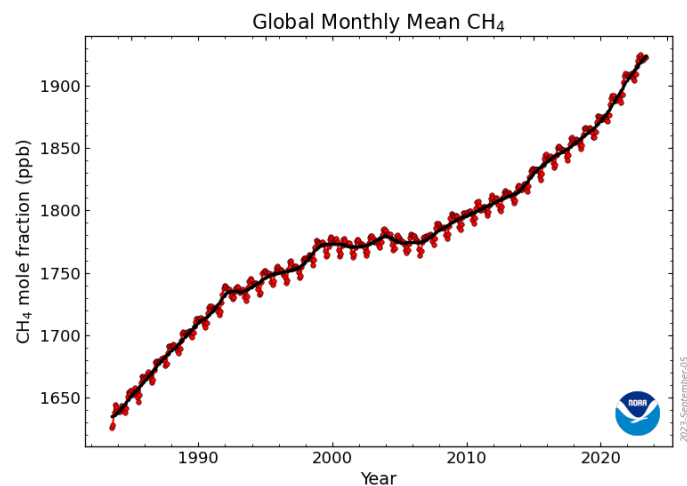
Worldwide proven gas reserves: 1999, 2009, 2019 (%)

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World consumption (2022) = 4,037 Gm³ ➔ 50 yr... at least!

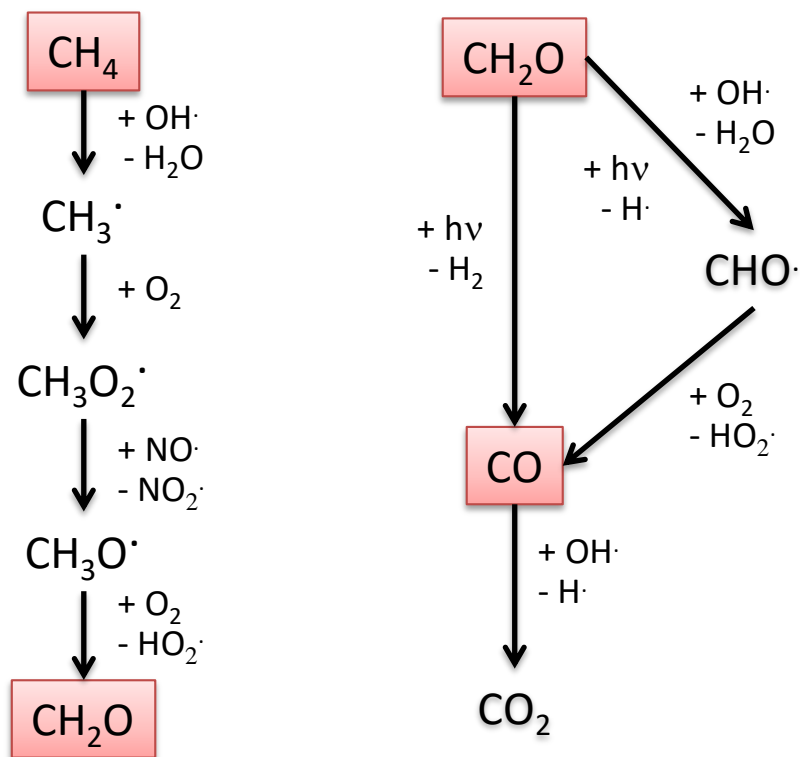
d. Natural Gas



Anthropogenic sources of methane: 1-coal mines, natural gas, oil industry, 2-livestock (rumination/excrements), 3-domestic waste landfills/waste treatment, 4-biomass combustion, 5-rice plants, 6-biofuels.

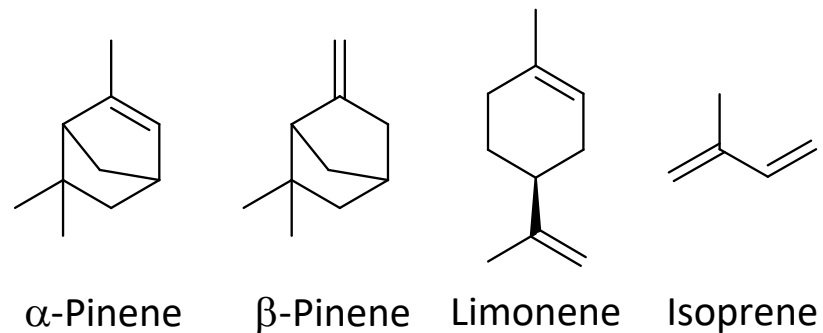
d. Natural Gas

Methane decomposition in the troposphere



Other VOCs: non-methane hydrocarbons (NMHC)

Source	Amount (Tg/yr)
Arbres (isoprene, terpenes)	600... 1200
Venicules	30... 50
Solvants	10... 20



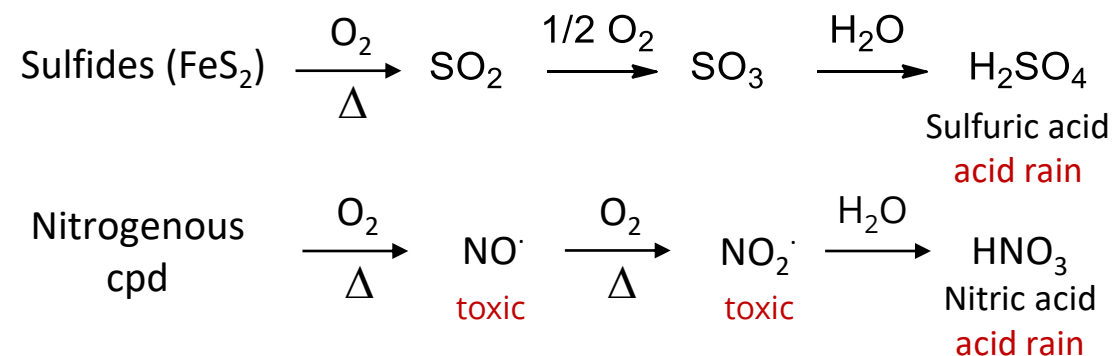
e. Coal

The dirtiest and most inconvenient fuel!



- Devastating and dangerous extraction
- Difficult and expensive to transport
- Average sulfur content = 0.4 to 2%
- Combustion efficiency: depends on coal quality
- Coal combustion releases CO₂ and CO (toxic)
- Coal contains nitrogenous impurities (nitrates, nitrites, ammoniac)

Coal quality	C	H	O	N	Heat capacity (MJ/kg)
Wood*	50	6	43	1	11.7
Peat	59	6	33	2	12.5
Lignite	69	5	25	1	25
Hard coal	88	5	5-15	1	35
Anthracite	95	2-3	2-3	traces	37



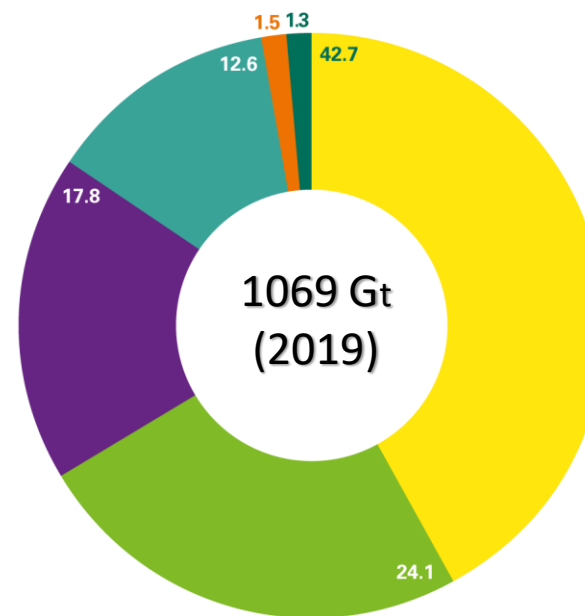
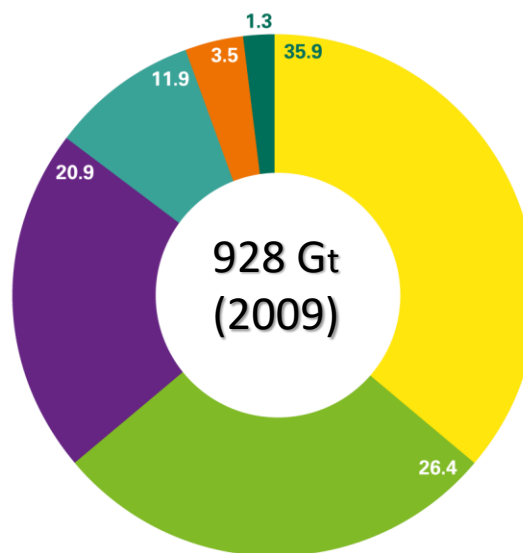
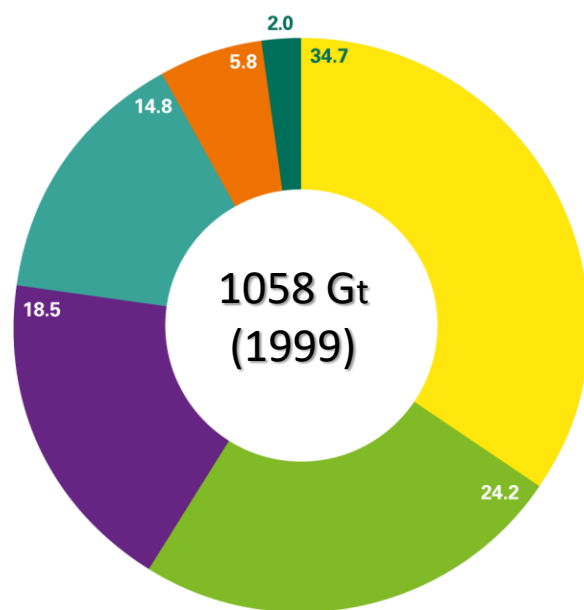
Coal combustion releases SO₂ and NO_x

e. Coal

- Asia Pacific
- North America
- CIS
- Europe
- Middle East
- S. & Cent. America

Worldwide proven coal reserves: 1999, 2009, 2019 (%)

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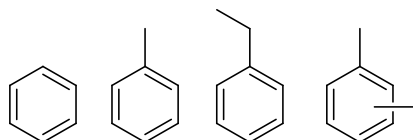
World consumption (2019) = 5.5 Gt

➔ 200 yr...

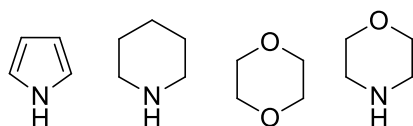
f. Oil

"Liquid fuels"

- Mixture of hydrocarbons (HC):
 - aliphatic HC
 - aromatic HC (BTEX)
 - heterocyclic HC
 - organic impurities
 - mineral impurities (including heavy metals)



Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes



Pyrrole, piperidine, dioxane, morpholine

- Uses (France, 2019)
 - petrochemicals: **18%**
 - energy production : **82%**
 - Various fuels (oil refineries: distillation, cracking, reforming)

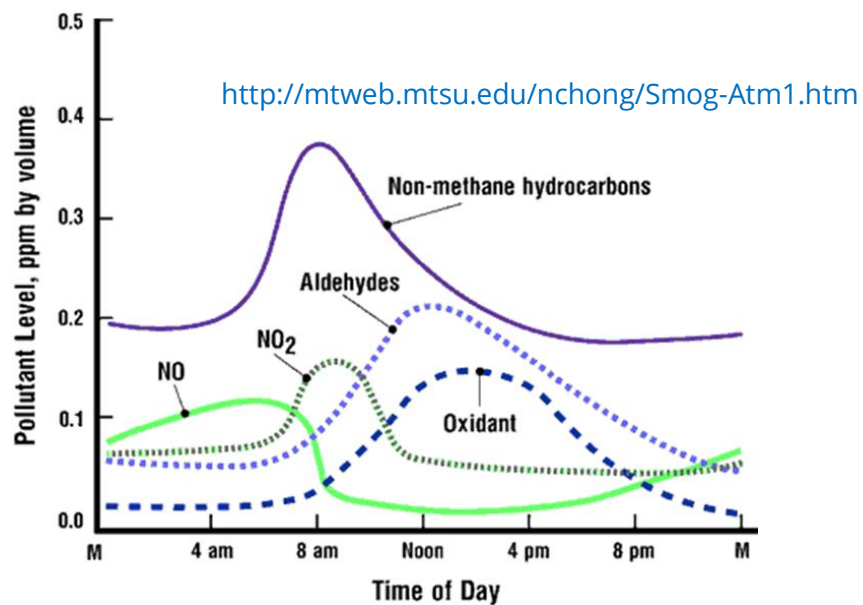
Fraction	Molecule size	Use
Gas	C ₁ -C ₄	Gas engine
Gasoline	C ₅ -C ₁₂	Gasoline engine
Kerosene	C ₁₂ -C ₁₆	Plane engine
Diesel	C ₁₆ -C ₁₈	Diesel engine
Lubricant	C ₁₈ -C ₂₀	lubricating oils
Wax	C ₂₀ -C ₄₀	Candles, wax paper
Asphalt	> C ₄₀	Asphalt, tar

f. Oil

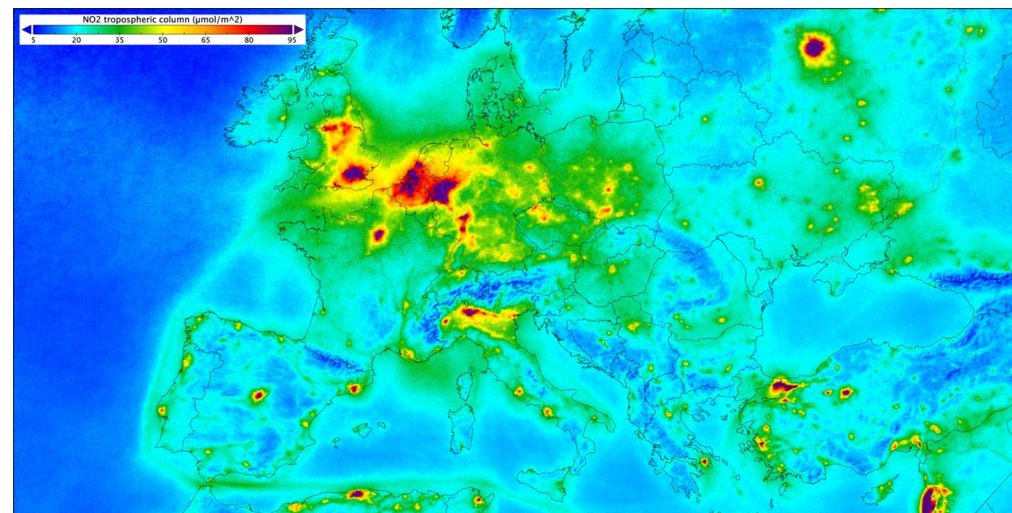
- extraction (soil and marine pollution, CH₄ release)
- transport (oil spills, deballasting)
- air pollution due to internal combustion engine use:
 - improved octane rating: Pb(Et)₄ → BTEX (CMR)
 - particulate matter (PM_x), HAP (diesel)
 - exhaust gases : unburned HC, CO, NO_x

catalytic converters \rightarrow CO₂ + H₂O + N₂

parasitic reaction: 2 NO + CO → N₂O + CO₂



Environmental impacts



Overall NO₂ pollution (Europe, 2019)

esa - space in images

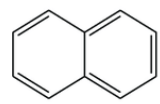
1. automobile traffic (HC + NO[•] + εNO₂[•])
2. sunrise (λ < 420 nm):



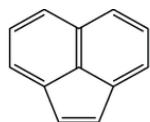
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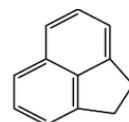
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH/HAP)



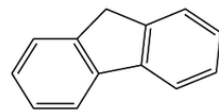
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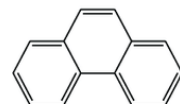
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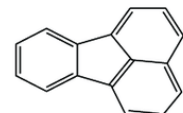
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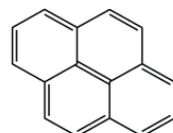
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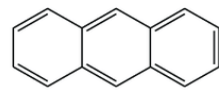
Phenanthrene



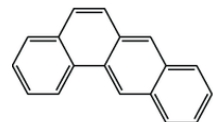
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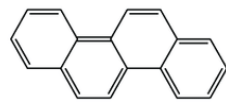
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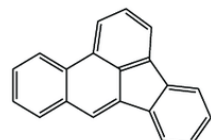
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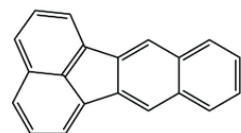
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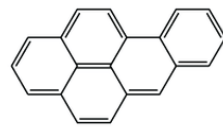
Chrysene



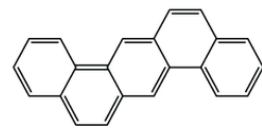
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Benzo(k)fluoranthene



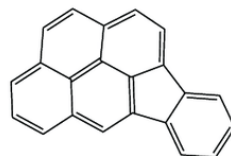
Benzo(a)pyrene



Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene

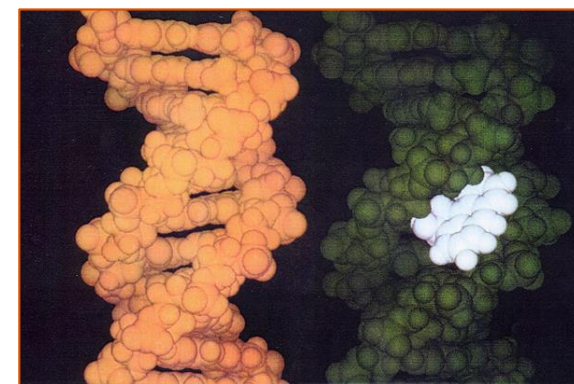


Benzo(g,h,i)perylene



Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene

- Pyrolysis or incomplete combustion of organic matter:
 - incineration of agricultural waste
 - combustion of wood, coal, household waste (incinerators...)
 - diesel engines
 - cigarette combustion, food cooking
- Characteristics:
 - in + or - complex mixtures
 - hundreds of PAHs and PAH derivatives exist
 - biodegraded (slowly) in surface soil layers
 - in water, most PAHs are adsorbed to sediments
- Toxicity (poorly understood/mixtures):
 - systemic effects (hepatic, hematological, immunological, atherosclerosis, etc)
 - CMR effects



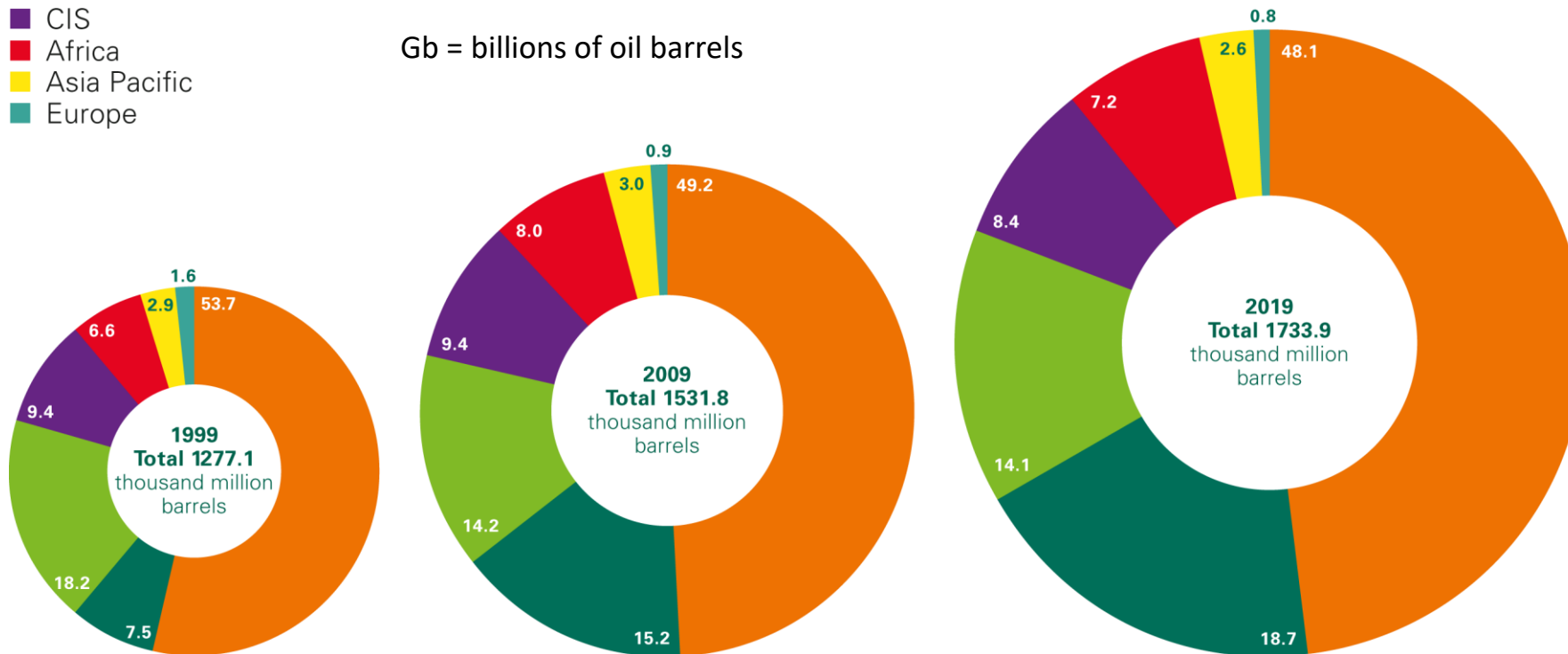
f. Oil

Worldwide proven oil reserves: 1999, 2009, 2019 (%)

BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2020

- Middle East
- S. & Cent. America
- North America
- CIS
- Africa
- Asia Pacific
- Europe

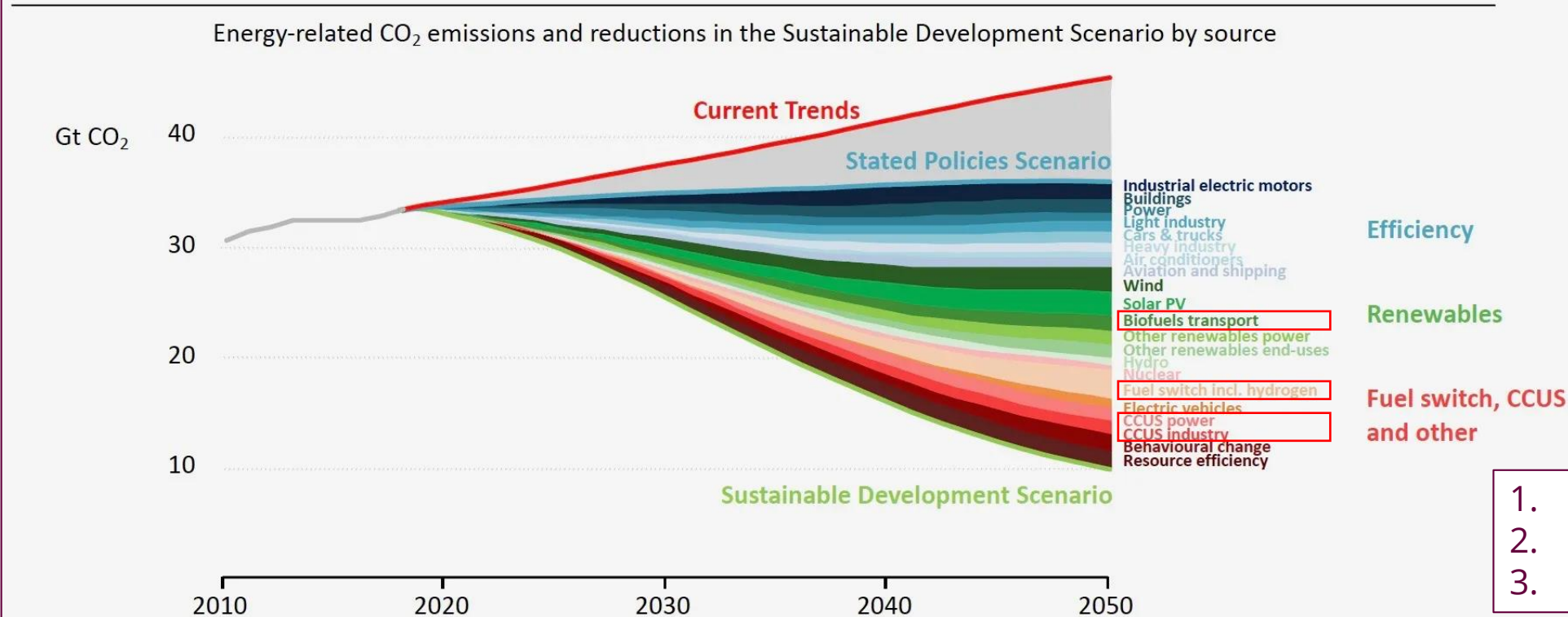
Gb = billions of oil barrels



World consumption (2021) = 35.4 Gb/yr (180,000 L/s!) ➔ 50 yr... at least!

g. Potential alternatives

No single or simple solutions to reach sustainable energy goals



A host of policies and technologies will be needed across every sector to keep climate targets within reach, and further technology innovation will be essential to aid the pursuit of a 1.5°C stabilisation

g. Potential alternatives

❖ 1st generation biofuels (3 types) :

- biodiesel
 - oilseed crops (colza, tournesol, soja) → **HVP** (pure plant oil) and **EMHV** (vegetable oil methyl ester)
- bioethanol
 - fermentation of sugar beet, sugar cane or wheat/corn → **ethanol** and **ETBE** (ethyl tert-butylether)
- biomethane
 - from biogas

➔ Not a convincing LCA at all!

❖ 2nd generation biofuels

- use of agricultural (straw) or forestry residues
- use of dedicated non-food crops (coppice)

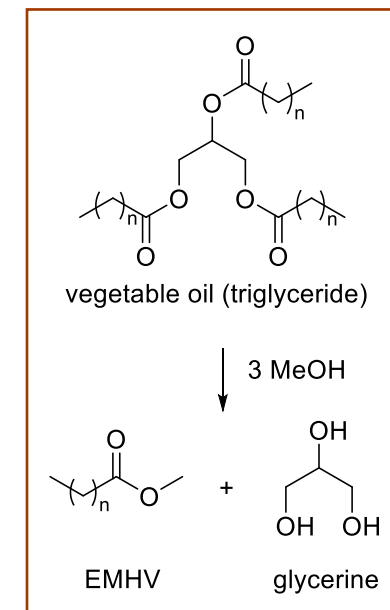
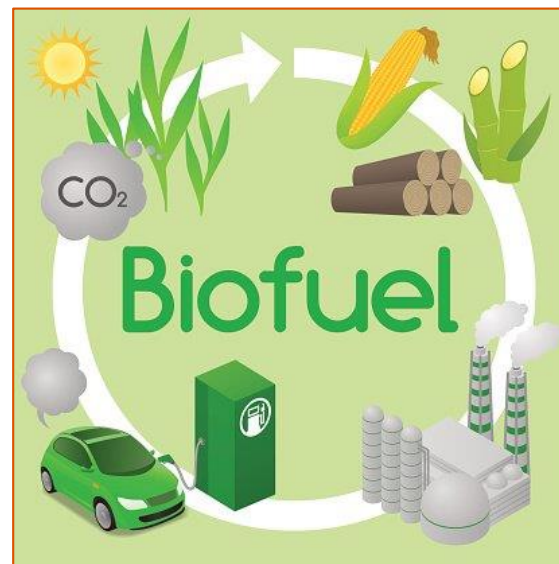
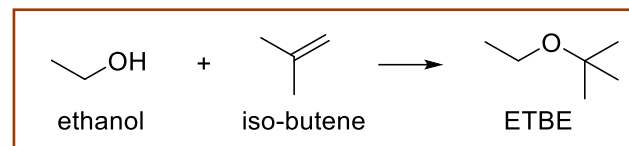
❖ 3rd generation biofuels

- use of sugar- or fatty acid-rich microalgae

❖ 4th generation biofuels

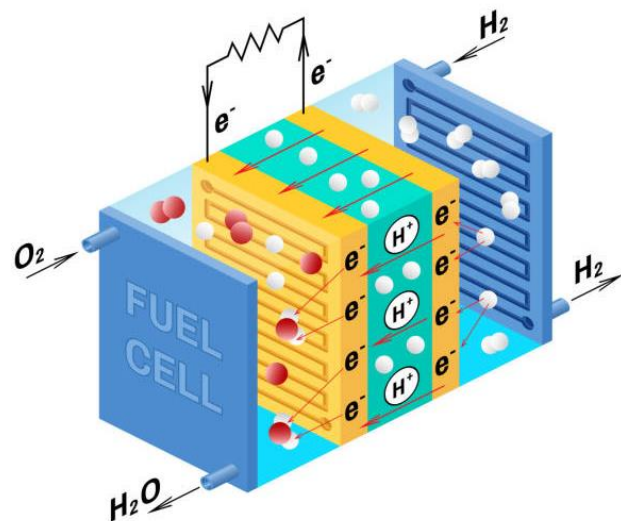
- synthetic biology of cyanobacteria and algae

1. Biofuels



➔ C from biomass : GWP ~ 0

g. Potential alternatives



- Advantages:
 - no pollutant emissions
- Disadvantages:
 - high cost
 - large storage volume
 - flammability of dihydrogen

2. Fuel cells (hydrogene)

Non-renewable : > 99% !

H₂ production (2021, EIA)

48% : natural gas steam reforming

28% : hydrocarbons reforming

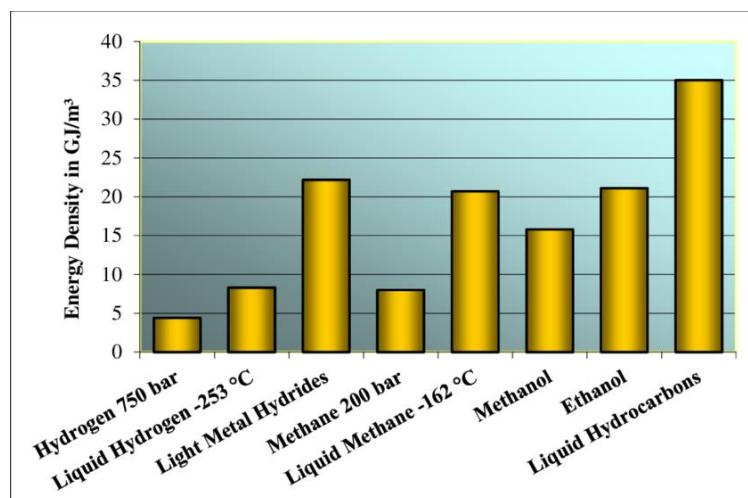
23% : coal gasification

0,04% : water electrolysis

< 1% : biomethane reforming!

Renewable : < 1% !

Volumetric energy density of various fuels



The many colours of hydrogen

Colour	Fuel	Process	Products
Brown/Black	Coal	Steam reforming or gasification	H ₂ + CO ₂ (released)
White	N/A	Naturally occurring	H ₂
Grey	Natural Gas	Steam reforming	H ₂ + CO ₂ (released)
Blue	Natural Gas	Steam reforming	H ₂ + CO ₂ (% captured and stored)
Turquoise	Natural Gas	Pyrolysis	H ₂ + C (solid)
Red	Nuclear Power	Catalytic splitting	H ₂ + O ₂
Purple/Pink	Nuclear Power	Electrolysis	H ₂ + O ₂
Yellow	Solar Power	Electrolysis	H ₂ + O ₂
Green	Renewable Electricity	Electrolysis	H ₂ + O ₂



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Carbon Capture, Utilisation, and Storage

Industrial CO₂ sequestration involves 3 stages:

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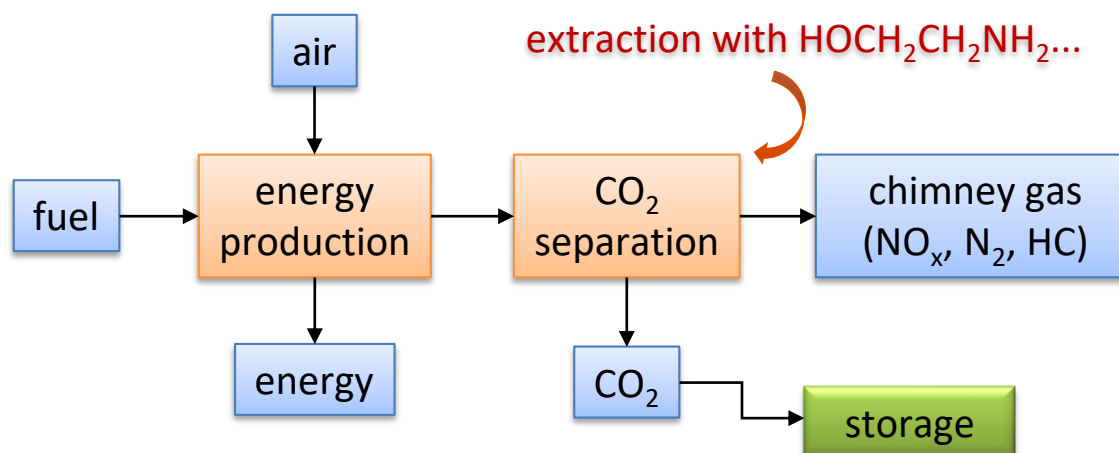
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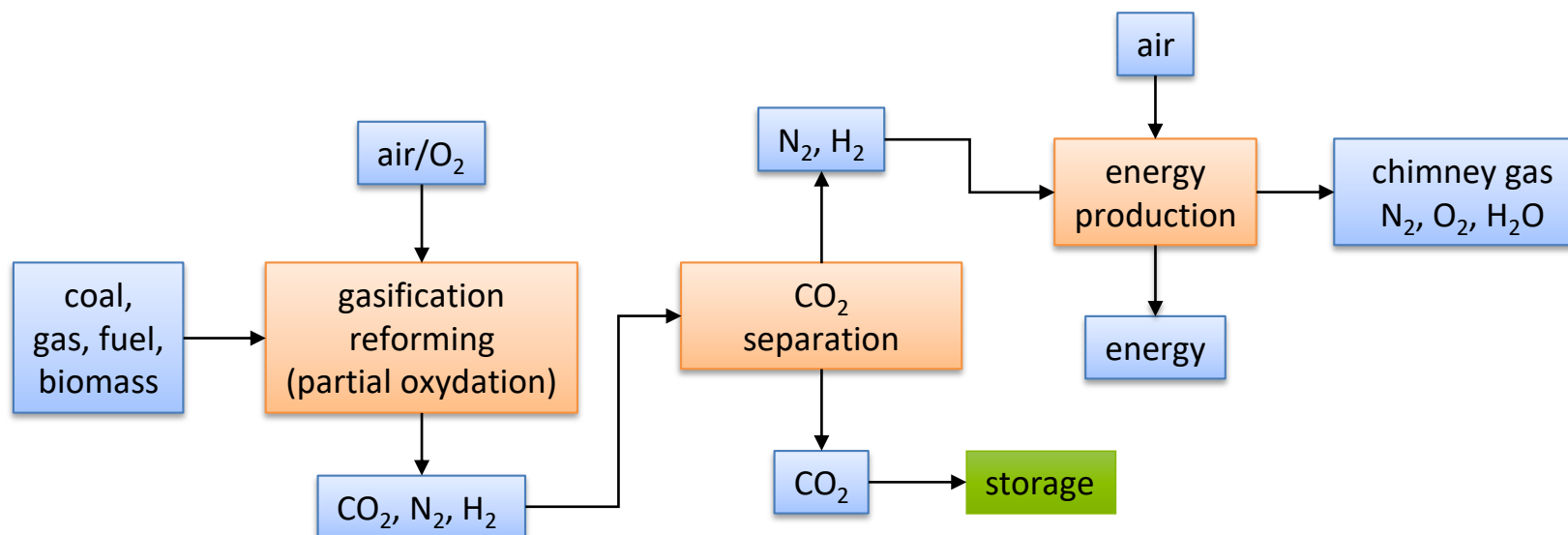
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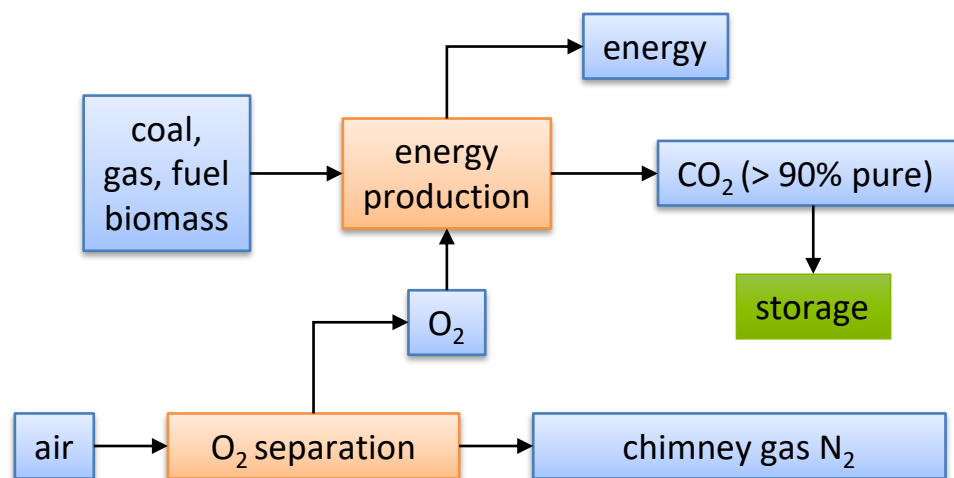
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The separated CO₂ is compressed and therefore liquefied to facilitate transport (expensive in energy!)

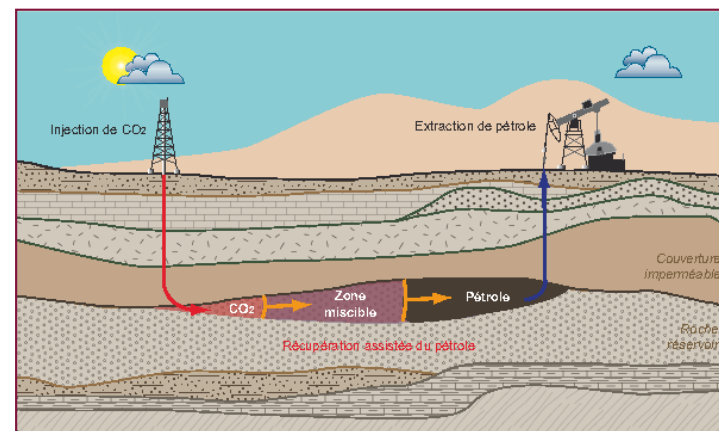
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- **CO₂ storage in a confined environment**
 - deep saline aquifers (largest storage capacities)
 - old oil and gas fields (improved oilfield productivity)
 - deep, unmineable coal seams (exploitation of natural gas trapped in these structures)



Many research programs funded mainly by oil companies

Questions under study:

- Is it economically feasible to bear the cost of CO₂ capture and storage (which consumes 10-20% of fuel)?
- What about natural resource management?
- Is geological storage of CO₂ sustainable over thousands years?
- future uses: CO₂ reduction (to CH₃OH...)?



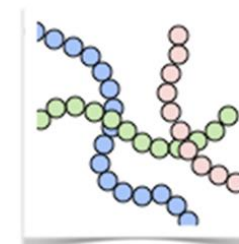
II. Second cause of pollution: industrial activities

1. Synthetic materials
2. Halogenated derivatives
3. Metallurgy

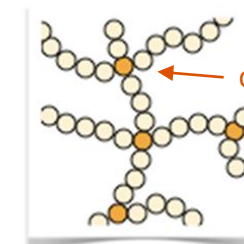
Rubber and elastomers – Plastics – Synthetic textiles

1. Synthetic materials

- 2 types of plastic:
 - thermoplastic = linear polymer that melts gradually and can be reformed (e.g. polyethylene) → recyclable
 - thermosetting plastic = three-dimensional network polymer or thermoset that can no longer be softened (e.g. bakelite) → non-recyclable

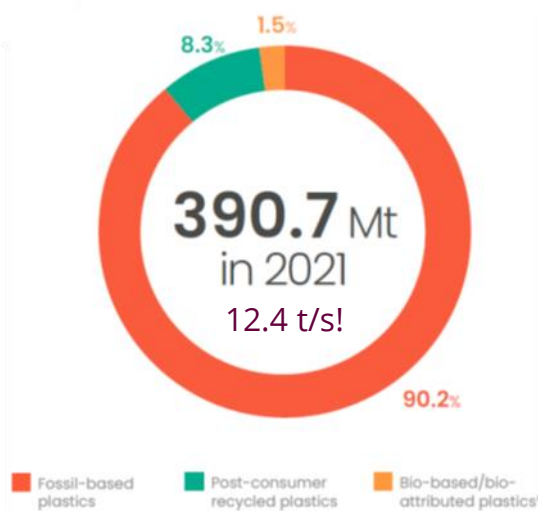


Mechanical conversion
(reversible)



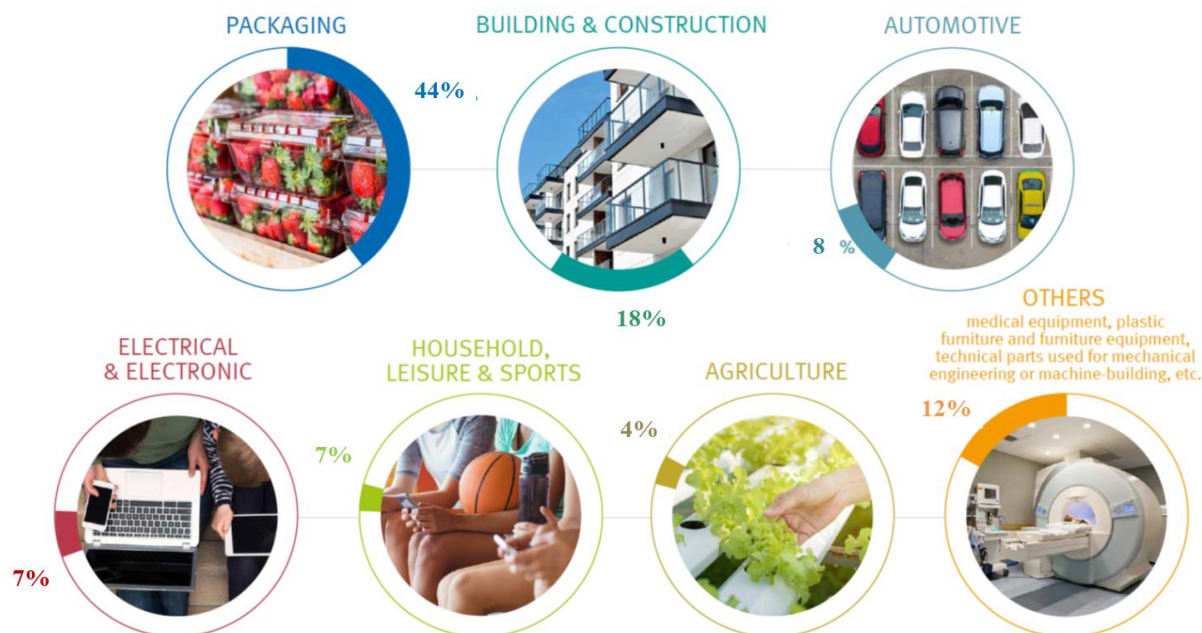
Chemical conversion
(irreversible)

- World production (2021)



PlasticEurope Market Research Group

Total converter demand = 57,2 Mt (Europe, 2021)



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- Plastic demand by polymer types (2017)

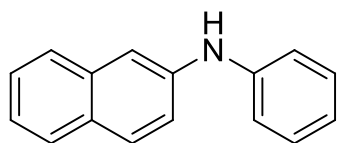


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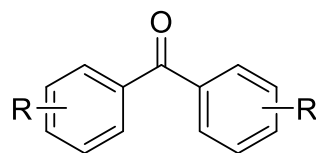
- Plastic additives:

Not only does the synthesis of plastics involve the use of toxic or CMR substrates (BPA, HCHO, phenol, phosgene, ethylene glycol...) or catalysts (CrO₃...), but plastics also contain numerous additives.

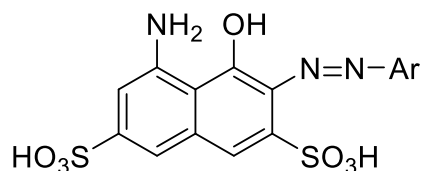


N-phényl-β-naphtylamine

stabilizing agents (antioxydant and anti-UV agents, heat stabilizers)



diphénylketone derivatives

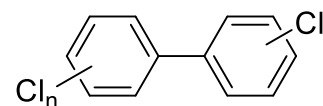


"azo" compounds

dyes

-air
-surfactants, soaps
-CFCs prohibited

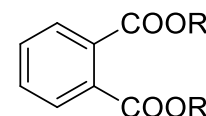
foaming agents



PCB

polychlorinated biphenyls

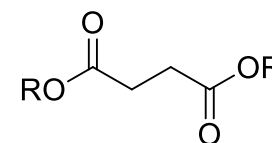
-toxic, POP
-209 different PCBs!
-manufacture/use banned in France since 1987



R = Bu : DBP
R = CH₂CH₂OCH₃: DMEP
R = CH₂CH(Et)Bu : DOP

Phtalates

-less toxic, but less efficient



Succinates
-biosourced

plasticizing agents

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- Macro/micro/nano-plastic waste (non-biodegradable)
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- Flammable materials (except those containing halogens...)
- Inocuity (release of toxic monomers, additives...)

→ contamination of
the entire food chain

*Ingestion of
5 g/person/week!*

Most Plastic Products Release Estrogenic Chemicals: A Potential Health Problem that Can Be Solved

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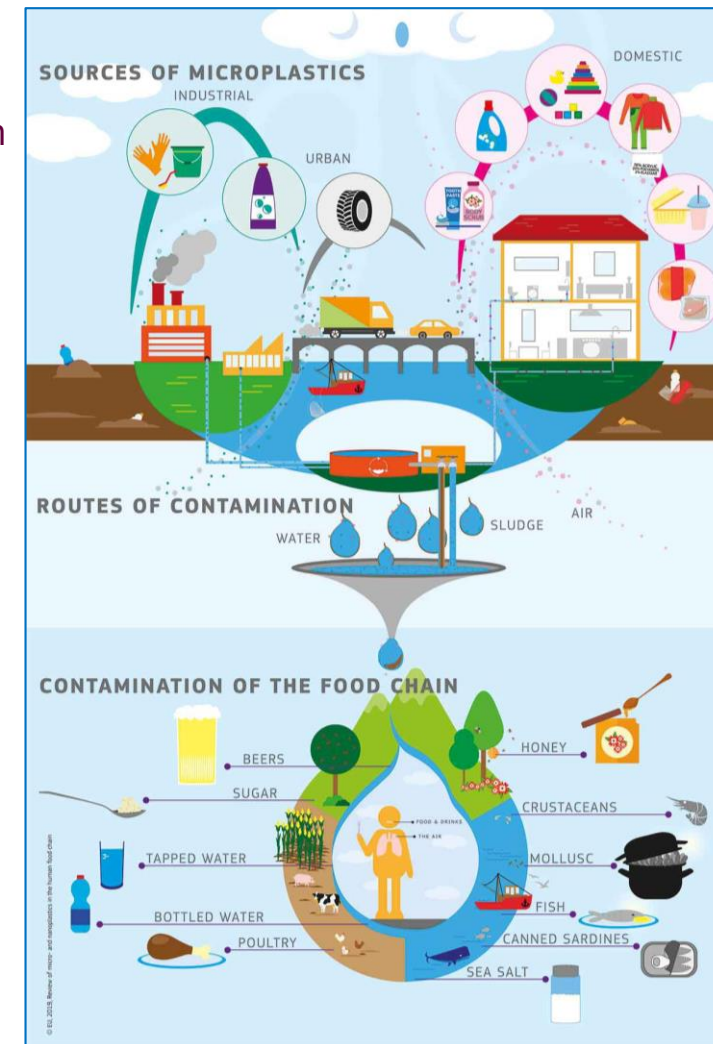
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RESULTS: Almost all commercially available plastic products we sampled—independent of the type of resin, product, or retail source—leached chemicals having reliably detectable EA, including those advertised as BPA free. In some cases, BPA-free products released chemicals having more EA than did BPA-containing products.

CONCLUSIONS: Many plastic products are mischaracterized as being EA free if extracted with only one solvent and not exposed to common-use stresses. However, we can identify existing compounds, or have developed, monomers, additives, or processing agents that have no detectable EA and have similar costs. Hence, our data suggest that EA-free plastic products exposed to common-use stresses and extracted by saline and ethanol solvents could be cost-effectively made on a commercial scale and thereby eliminate a potential health risk posed by most currently available plastic products that leach chemicals having EA into food products.

EA : estrogenic activity – BPA : bisphenol A

Environmental Health Perspectives 2011, 119, 989



Food Additives and Contaminants 2019, 36, 639 69

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Rapid single-particle chemical imaging of nanoplastics by SRS microscopy

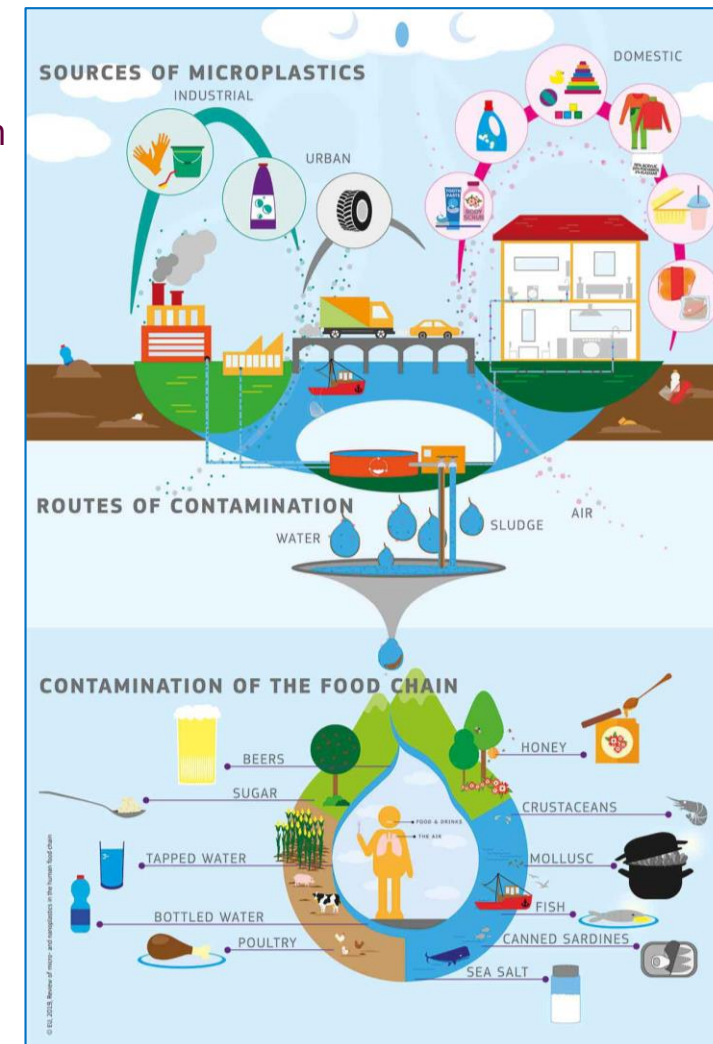
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Plastics are now omnipresent in our daily lives. The existence of microplastics (1 μm to 5 mm in length) and possibly even nanoplastics (<1 μm) has recently raised health concerns. In particular, nanoplastics are believed to be more toxic since their smaller size renders them much more amenable, compared to microplastics, to enter the human body. However, detecting nanoplastics imposes tremendous analytical challenges on both the nano-level sensitivity and the plastic-identifying specificity, leading to a knowledge gap in this mysterious nanoworld surrounding us. To address these challenges, we developed a hyperspectral stimulated Raman scattering (SRS) imaging platform with an automated plastic identification algorithm that allows micro-nano plastic analysis at the single-particle level with high chemical specificity and throughput. We first validated the sensitivity enhancement of the narrow band of SRS to enable high-speed single nanoplastic detection below 100 nm. We then devised a data-driven spectral matching algorithm to address spectral identification challenges imposed by sensitive narrow-band hyperspectral imaging and achieve robust determination of common plastic polymers.

240,000 particles/L of bottled water!

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 2024, 121, e2300582121



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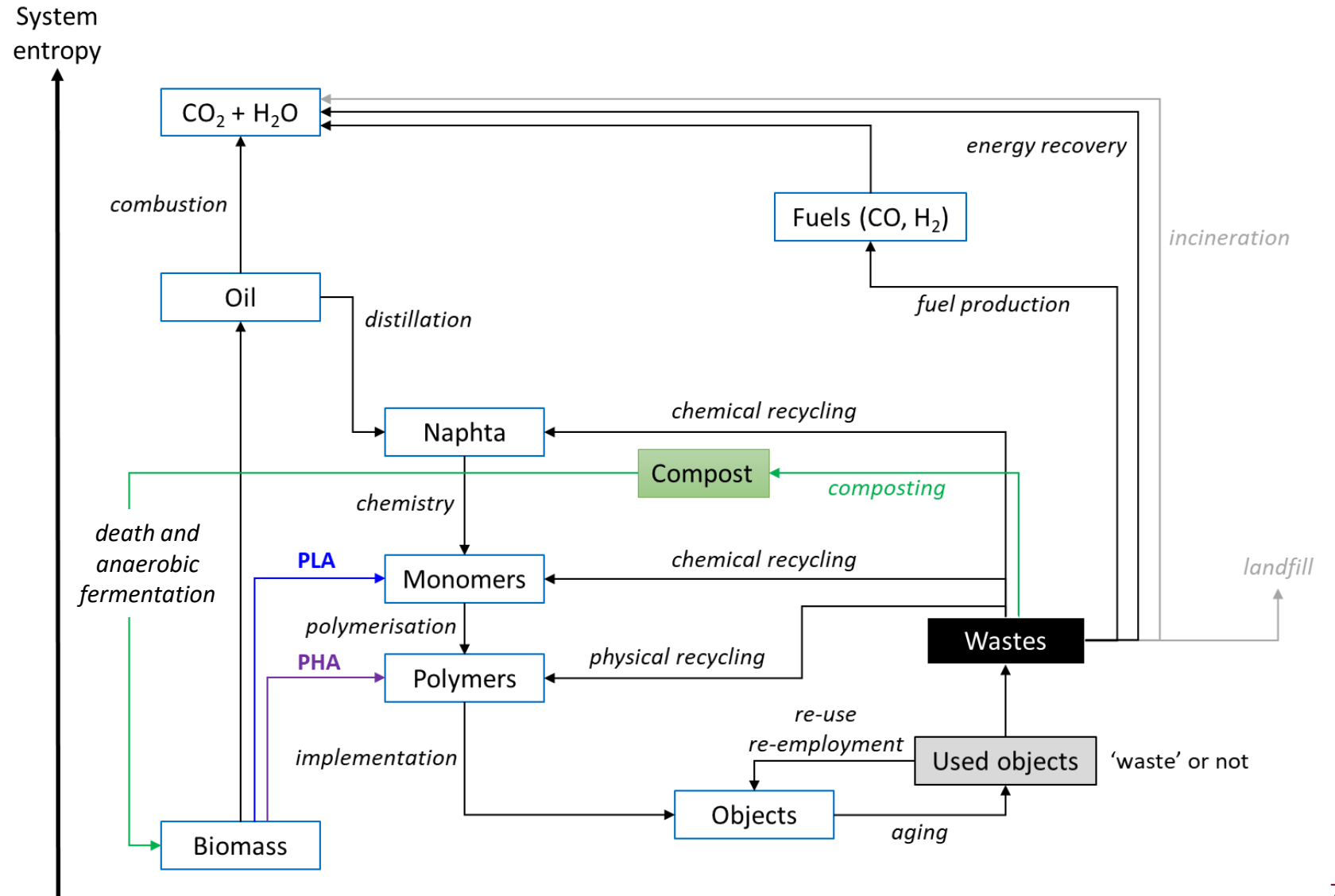
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- Plastics recycling:

Entropic aspects of the life cycle of conventional plastics (very brief, purely qualitative diagram, based on Duval, 2004)

PLA: polylactic acid
PHA: polyhydroxyalcanoate } bio-plastics

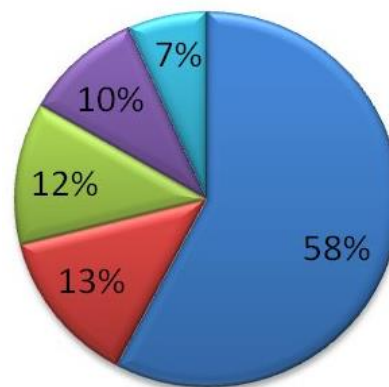
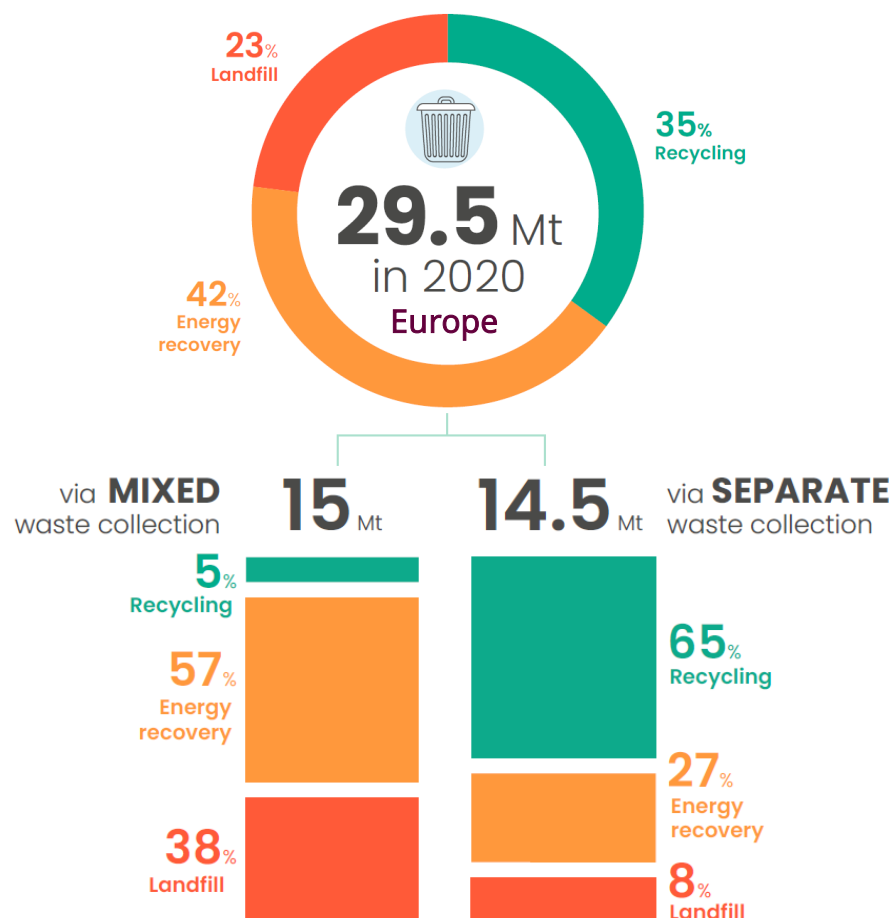
LCA not totally convincing!



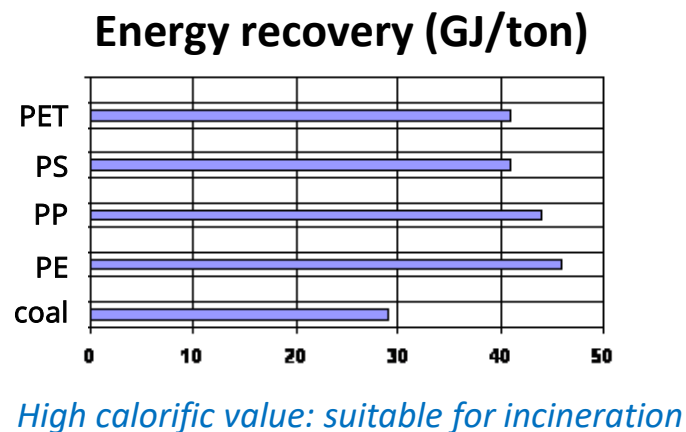
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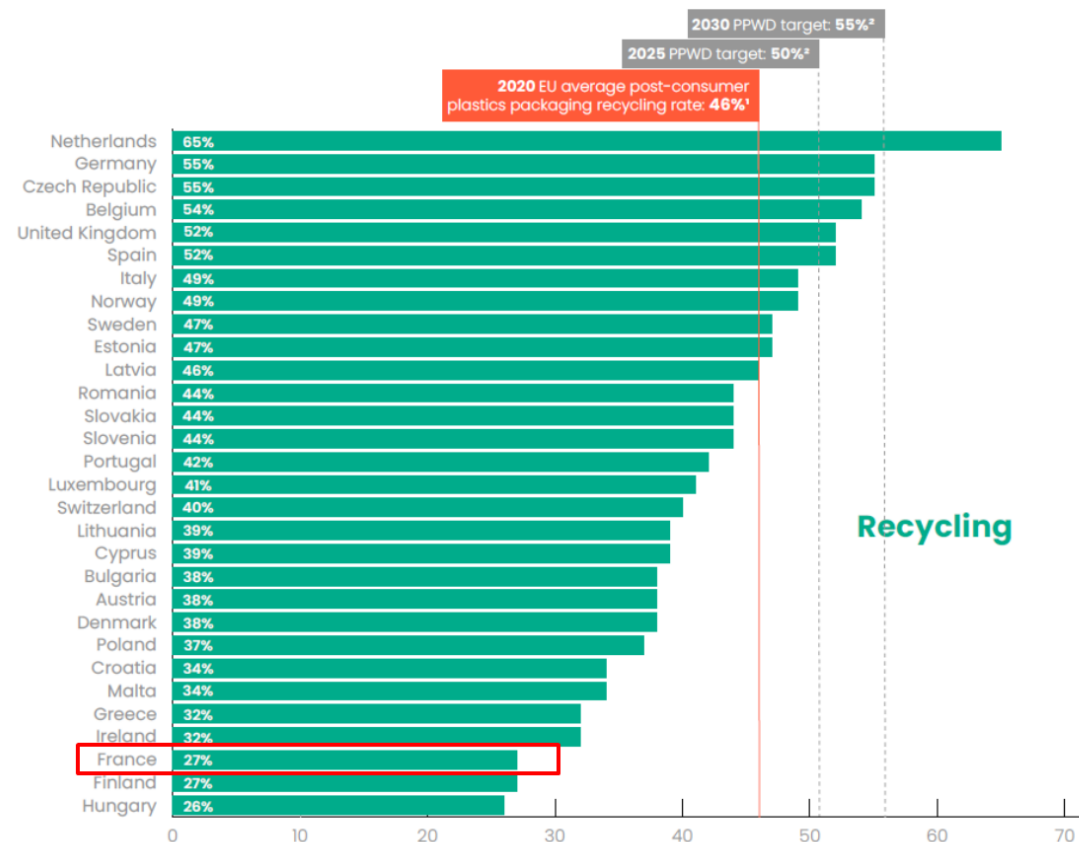
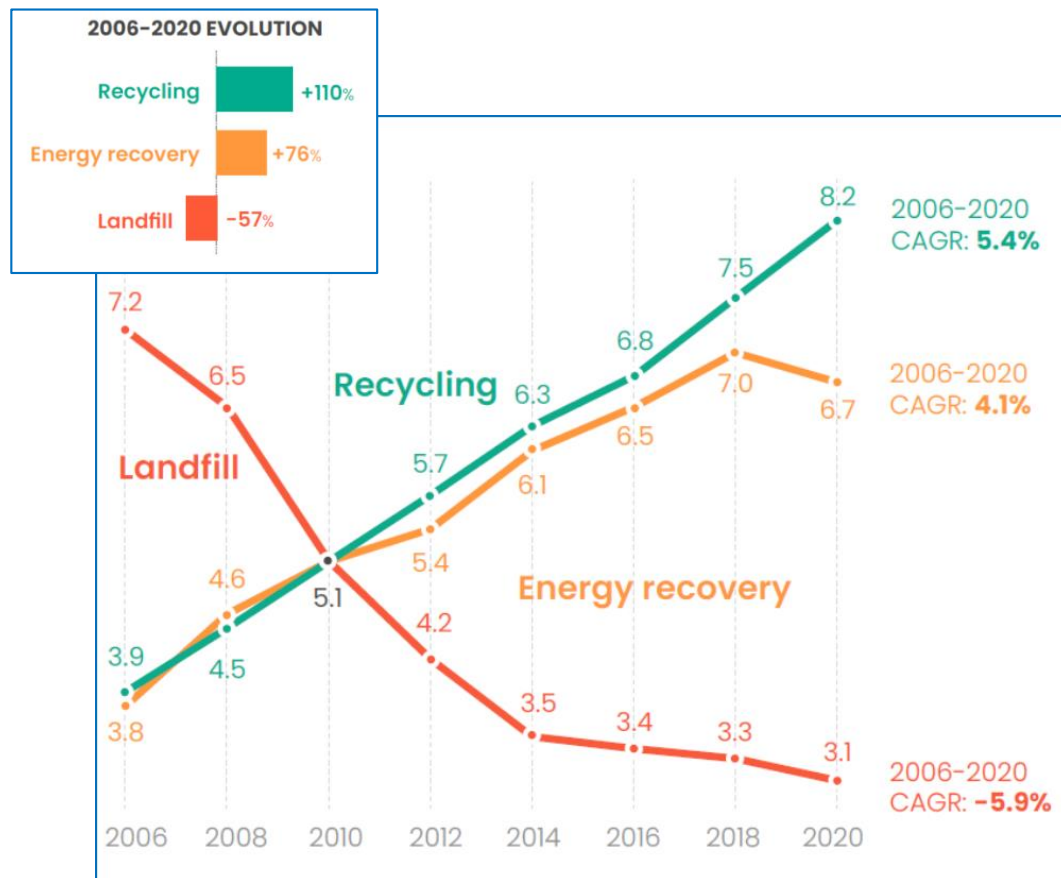
- PE (waste containers, drainage pipes, bags...)
- PP (packaging, bottles, automotive sector...)
- PS (hangers, flower pots, yoghurt pots)
- PET (fleece, carpets, tennis balls...)
- PVC (swimming pool linings, shoe soles, coated fabrics...)



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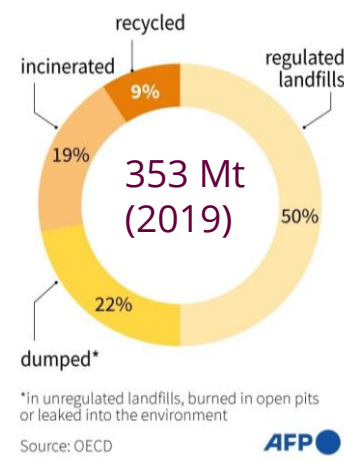


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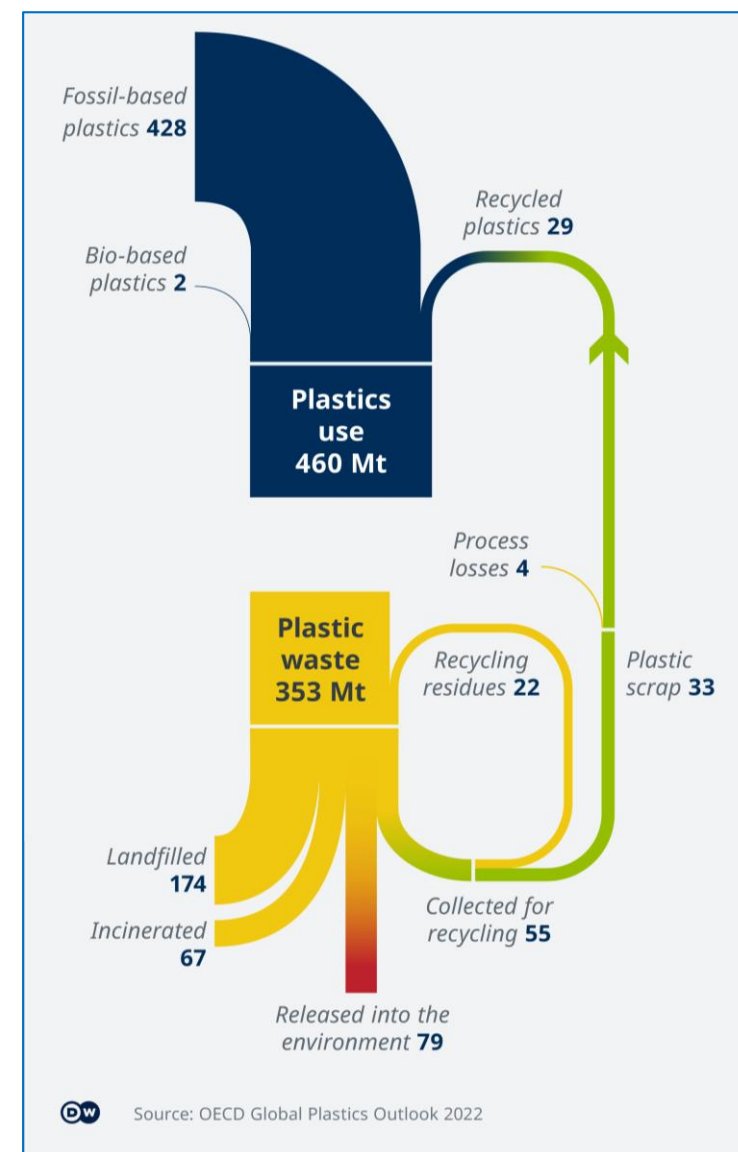
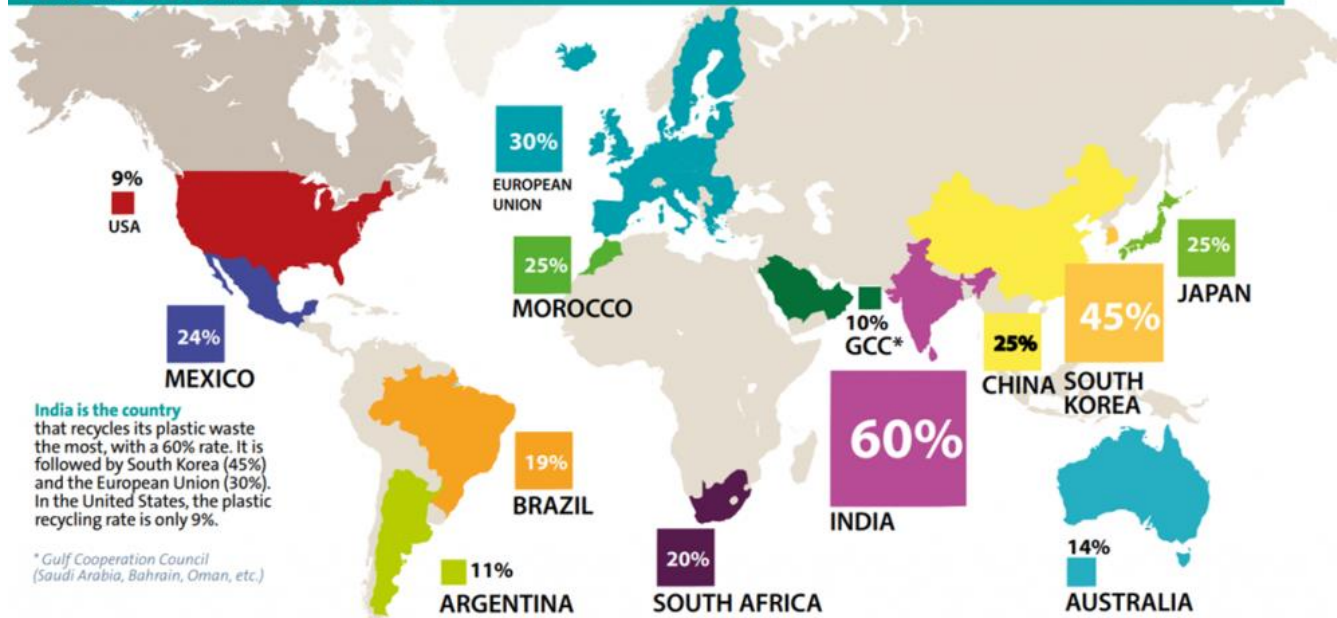
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1. Synthetic materials

- Plastics recycling (worldwide, 2019):
 - Recycling : 9%
 - Energy recovery : 19%
 - Landfill : 50%
 - Released into the environment : 22% (79 Mt!)



PLASTIC RECYCLING WORLDWIDE



Presentation

2. Halogenated derivatives

❖ Inorganic chlorine compounds (industry)

- Na^+Cl^- , Cl_2 , HCl , ClO^- , ClO_2^- , ClO_3^- , ClO_4^-

❖ Chlorinated Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)

- vinyl chloride
- methyl chloride CH_3Cl
- chlorinated solvents :

○ dichloromethane CH_2Cl_2 (DCM)

○ chloroforme CHCl_3

○ carbon tetrachloride CCl_4 (TCM)

○ perchlorethylene $\text{Cl}_2\text{C}=\text{CCl}_2$ (PCE)

○ 1,1,1-trichloroethane $\text{Cl}_3\text{C}-\text{CH}_3$ (1,1,1-T)

○ trichlorethylene $\text{Cl}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCl}$ (TCE)

- Chlorofluorocarbons (CFC) and derivatives

❖ Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

- organochlorinated pesticides
- halogenated PAH
- PCB, furanes, dioxines
- PFAS

possible human carcinogen (IARC C2B)

probable human carcinogen (IARC C2A)

known human carcinogen (IARC C1)



- Chlorinated derivatives are generally lipophilic and therefore bioaccumulative.
- Chlorinated VOCs can (depending on their physico-chemical properties) have an impact on the greenhouse effect or ozone depletion.

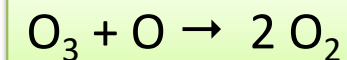
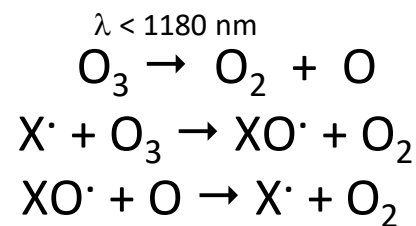
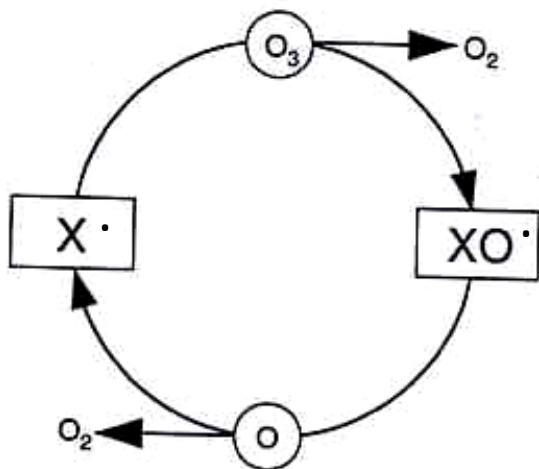
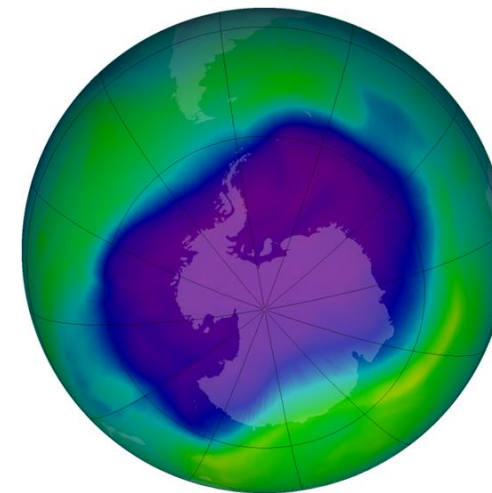
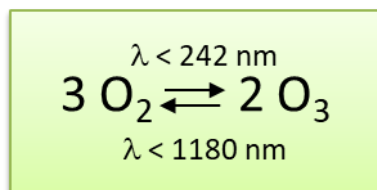


- Disturbance of the C cycle
- Disturbance of the O_2 cycle

2. Halogenated derivatives

- stratospheric (\neq tropospheric) ozone:
 - maximum abundance is at an altitude of ~ 30 km
 - the ozone layer filters UV at $\lambda < 310$ nm
 - O_2/O_3 equilibrium at ~ 30 km, but global ozone levels fell by 4% between 1980 and 2000
- degradation of stratospheric ozone:
 - reactive species : $X\cdot$ ($HO\cdot$, $Cl\cdot$, $NO\cdot$)
 - act as a *catalyst* for ozone degradation

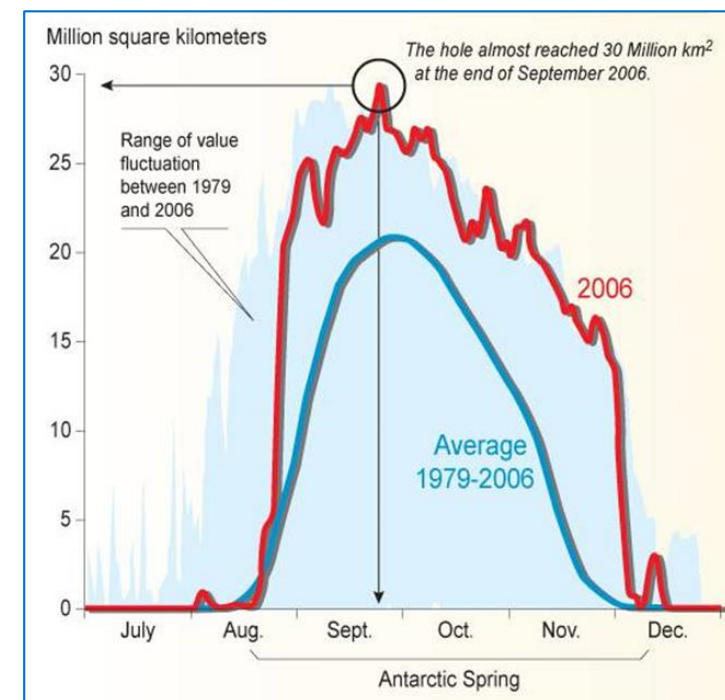
Ozone O_3



Nobel price in
Chemistry 1995



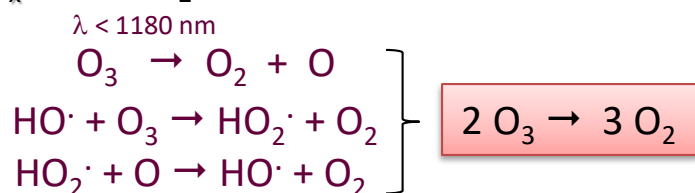
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Ozone O₃

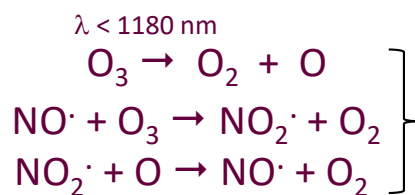
2. Halogenated derivatives

- HO_x: HO·/HO₂· (hydroxyle/perhydroxyle radicals)



HO₂· can also degrade ozone: HO₂· + O₃ → HO· + 2 O₂

- NO_x: NO·/NO₂· (come from the oxidation of atmospheric nitrogen)

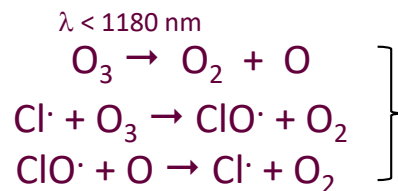


But today it is mainly N₂O !

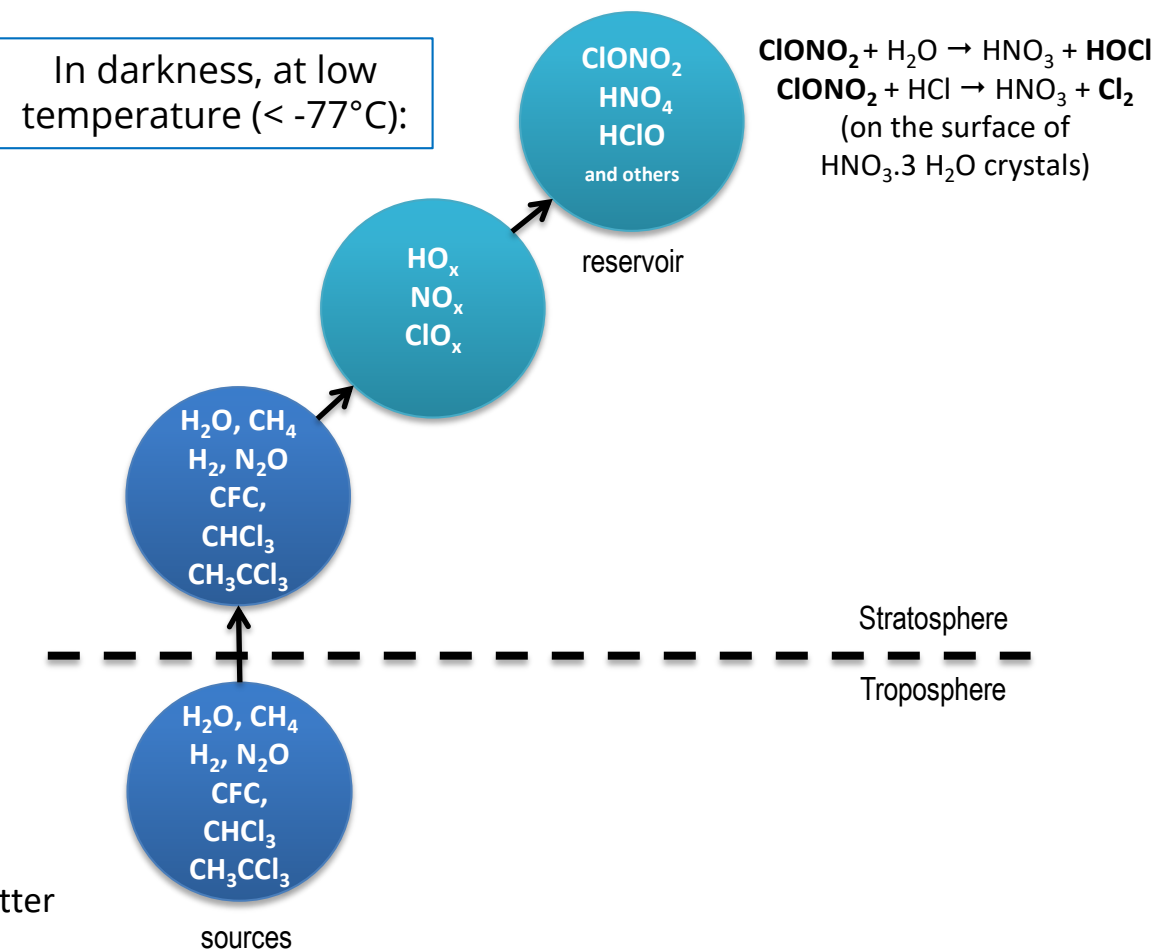
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Not covered by the Montreal Protocol...

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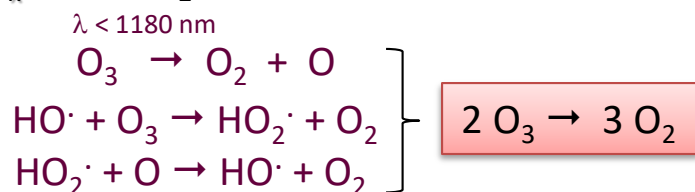
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Ozone O₃

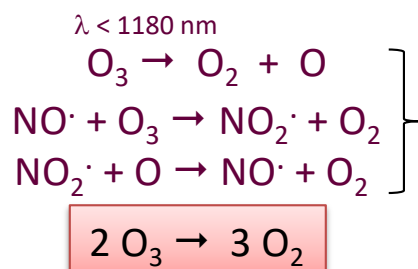
2. Halogenated derivatives

- HO_x: HO·/HO₂· (hydroxyle/perhydroxyle radicals)



HO₂· can also degrade ozone: HO₂· + O₃ → HO· + 2 O₂

- NO_x:: NO·/NO₂· (come from the oxidation of atmospheric nitrogen)

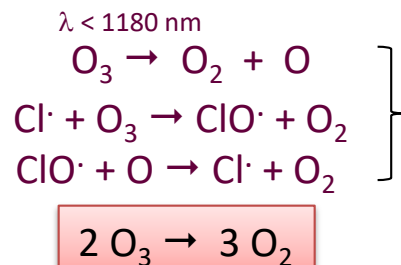


But today it is mainly N₂O !

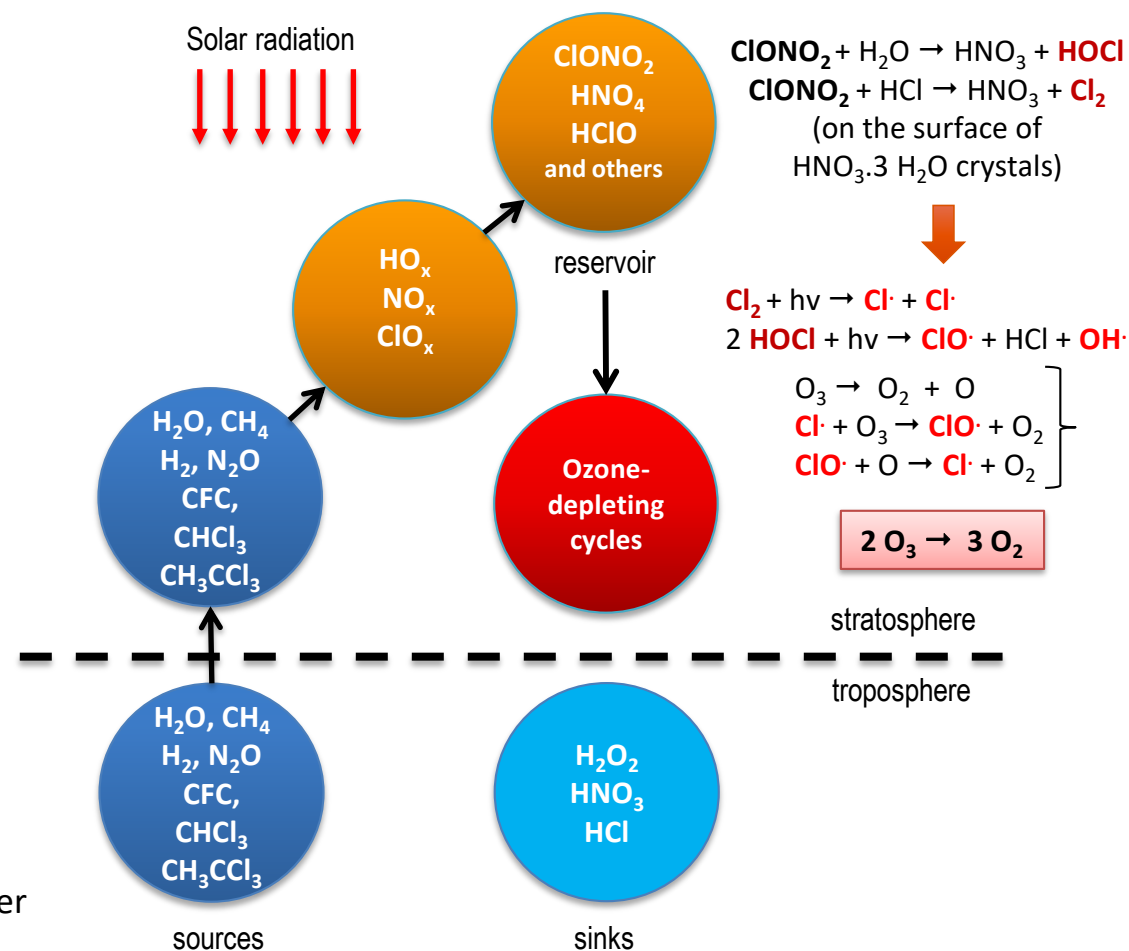
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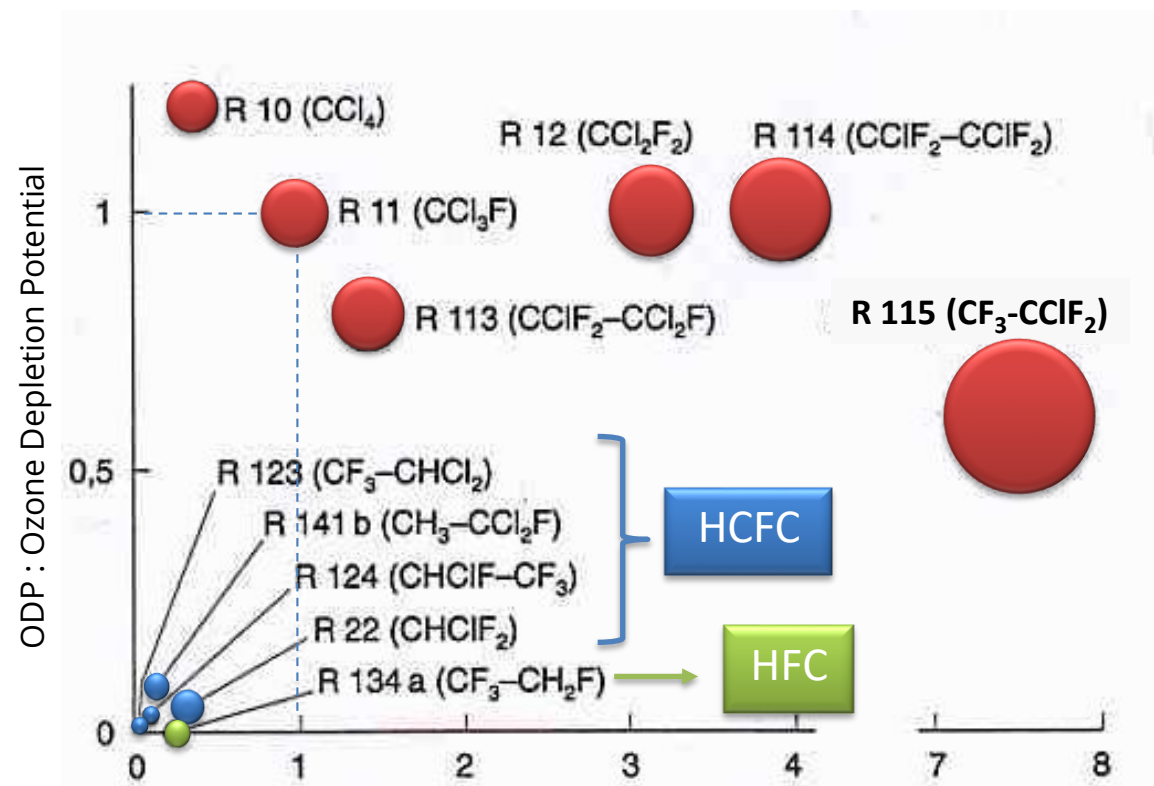
CFC, HCFC, HFC and others

2. Halogenated derivatives

- **CFC (ChloroFluoroCarbons) and Halons***
 - banned Sep. 16, 1987 (Montreal Protocol)
 - Emerging countries: production authorized until 2010
- **HCFC (HydroChloroFluoroCarbons)**
 - banned Jan. 1st, 2015
- **HFC (HydroFluoroCarbons)**
 - banned Oct. 15, 2016 (→2025)
- **pentane & cyclohexane**
 - foams
- **propane & butane**
 - propulsion
- **cyclopentane**
 - cooling systems

Flammable!

- * Halon 1211 : CF_2ClBr
 Halon 1301 : CF_3Br
 Halon 2402 : $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{Br}_2$
- fire retardants and extinguishers
 - 10 times worse than CFCs!



GWP: Global Warming Potential

circle size = f(lifetime)

Reference = R11

(but $\text{GWPR}^{11} = 4750 \times \text{GWPCO}_2$)

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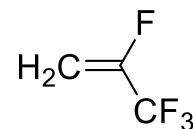
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HFO : HydroFluoroOlefins (HCFO : HydroChloroFluoroOlefins)

Example : R-1234yf \rightarrow 2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropene (HFO-1234yf)

-new refrigerant gas for air conditioning (cars)

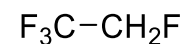
-European directive 2006/40/EC (in force since 2011)



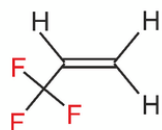
- ODP = 0
- GWP = 4
- $t_{1/2}$ life = 13 days
- flammable



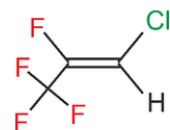
-replace R-134a:



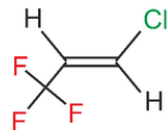
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- $t_{1/2}$ life = 14 years
- flammable



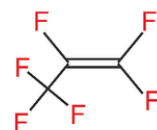
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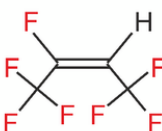
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HCFO-1233zd



HFO-1216



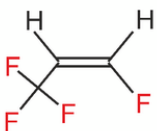
HFO-1336mzz(Z)



HFO-1234yf



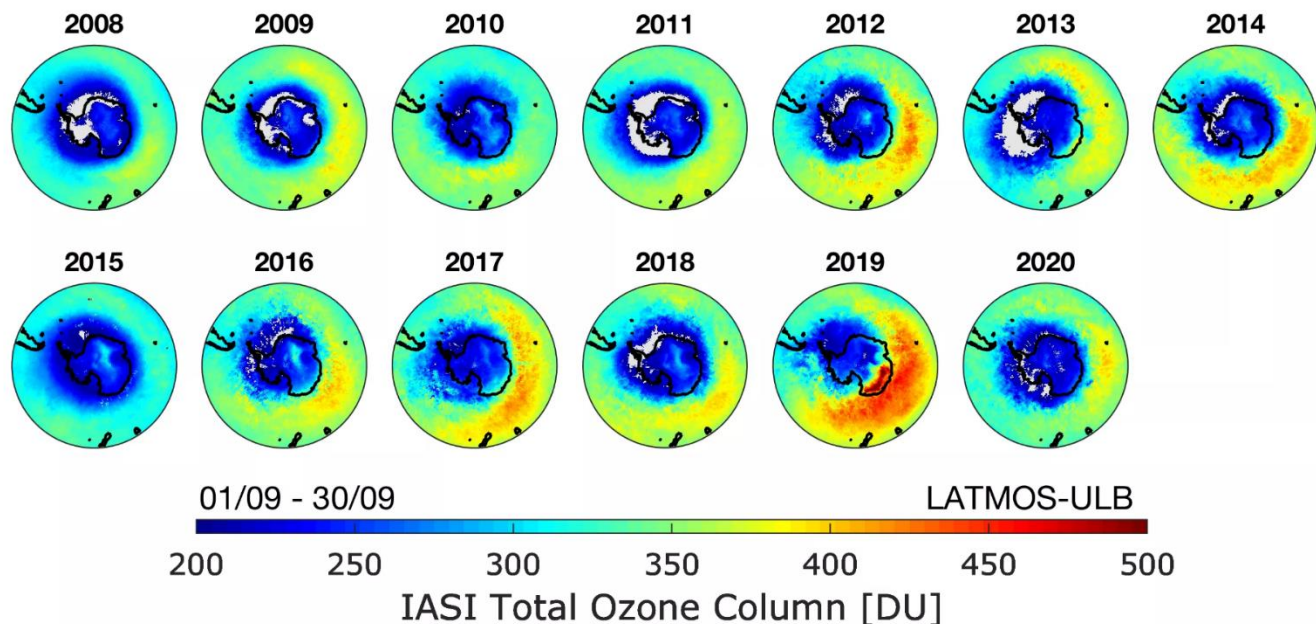
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2. Halogenated derivatives



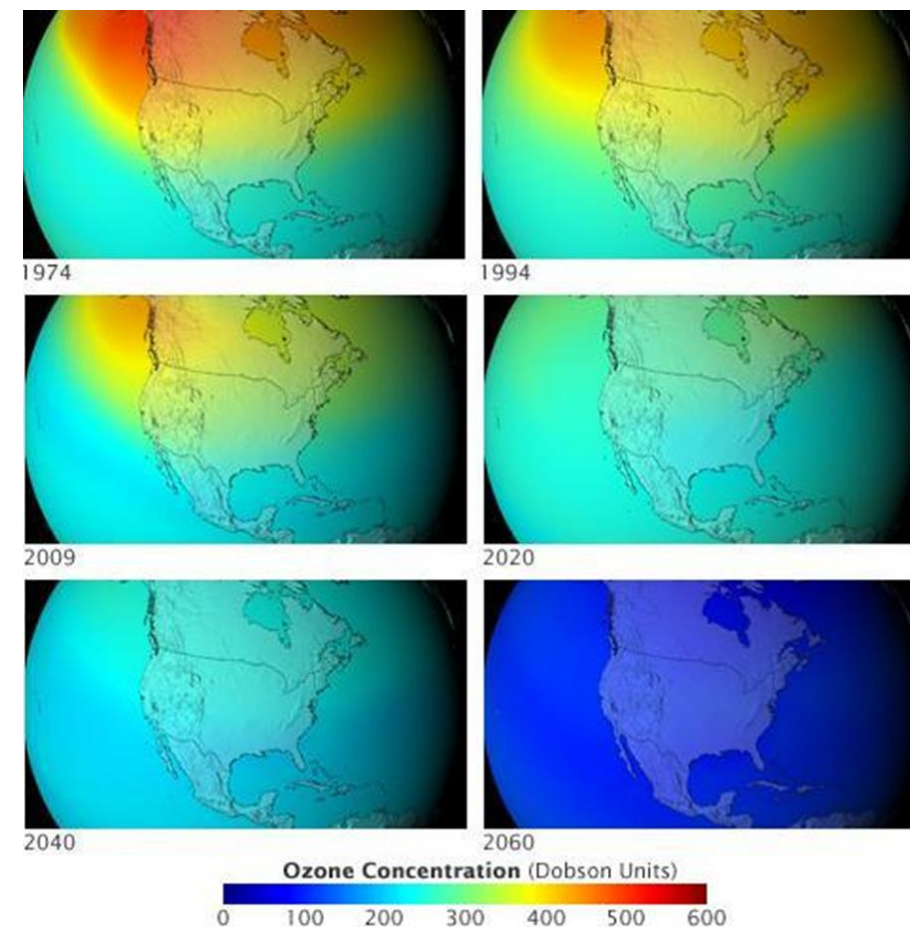
Laboratory « *ATMosphères et Observations Spatiales* » (LATMOS-IPSL, CNRS/UVSQ-UPSay/Sorbonne Univ./CNES)

- 37 years after Montreal: successful mobilization (stabilization since 1995)
- But it will take a long time to get back to where we were:
 - the average residence time of CFCs/halons in the atmosphere is very long
 - some manufacturers are still using CFCs/halons despite the ban*
 - global warming interferes with ozone regeneration

*An unexpected and persistent increase in global emissions of ozone-depleting CFC-11.

James W. Elkins et al., *Nature* (2018) 557, 413–417

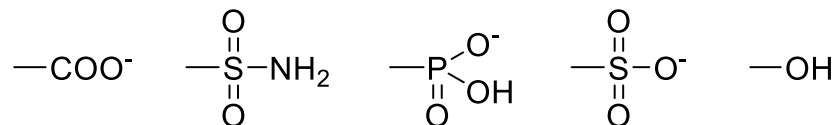
If we had done nothing!



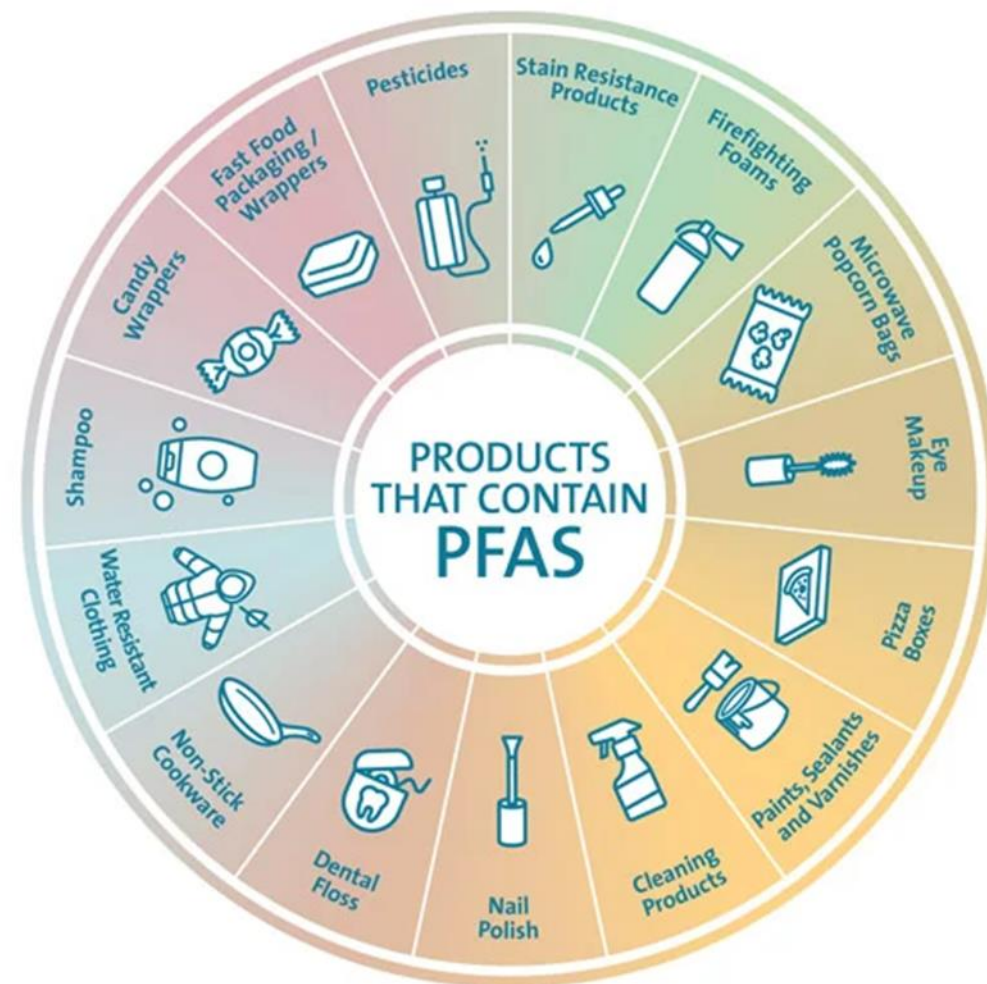
2. Halogenated derivatives

Per/poly-fluoroalkyl substances PFAS

- generic term for highly fluorinated aliphatic substances
- consisting of at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom (-CF₂-)
- partially or fully fluorinated alkyl chain
- generally contains a terminal functional group: carboxylate, sulfonamide, phosphonate, sulfonate, alcohol...

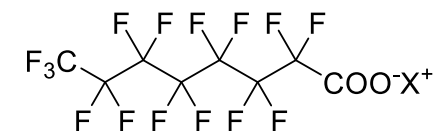
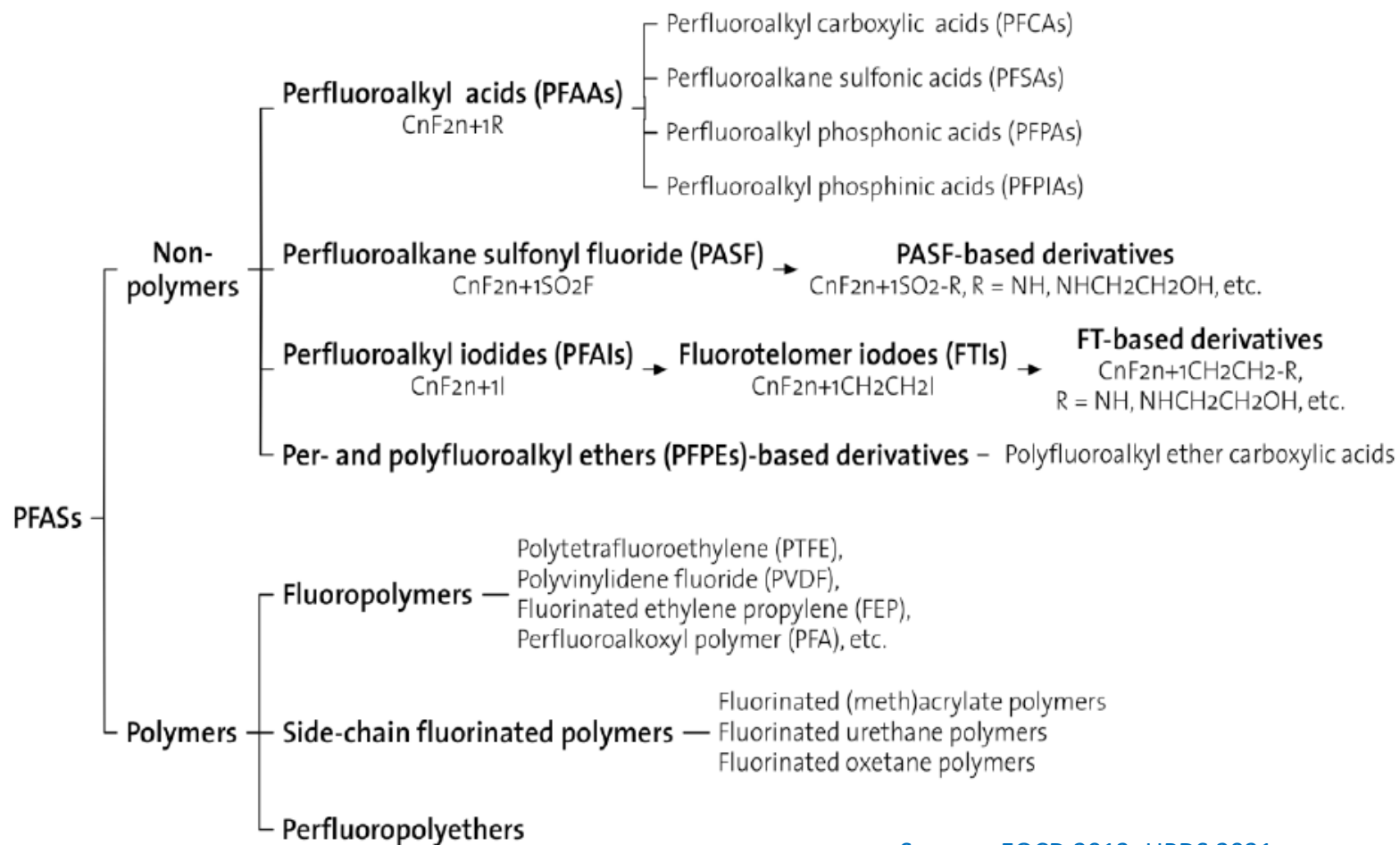


- approx. *5,000* different PFAS currently on the market
- non-stick, heat-resistant and waterproofing properties
- categories: short chains (< C₆), long chains...
- thermodynamically *stable C-F bond* (up to 130 kcal/mol)
- highly resistant to:
 - hydrolysis, metabolism, photolysis, general degradation (POPs)
 - non-flammable
- used in many everyday products
- variable toxicity, bioaccumulable, biomagnifiable
- surface-active properties for the most part
- currently unregulated in France
- only a few PFAS are banned under the Stockholm Convention

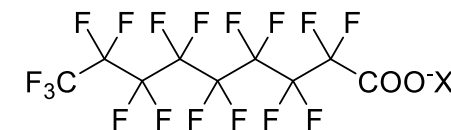


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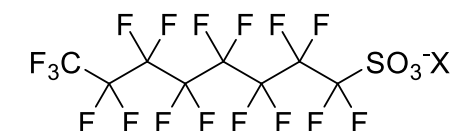
PFOA



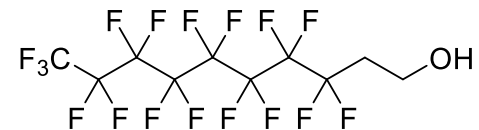
PFNA



PFHxS



PFOS



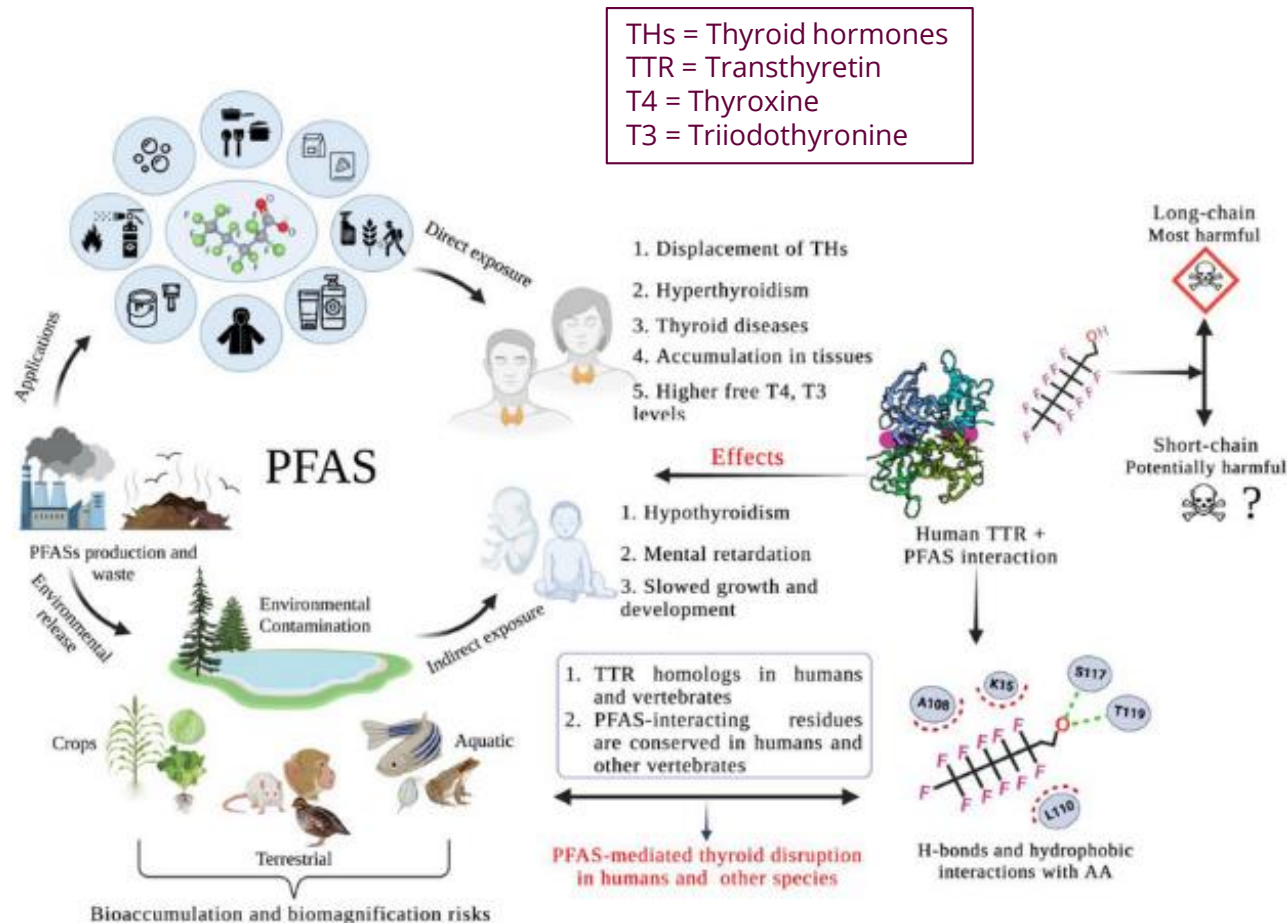
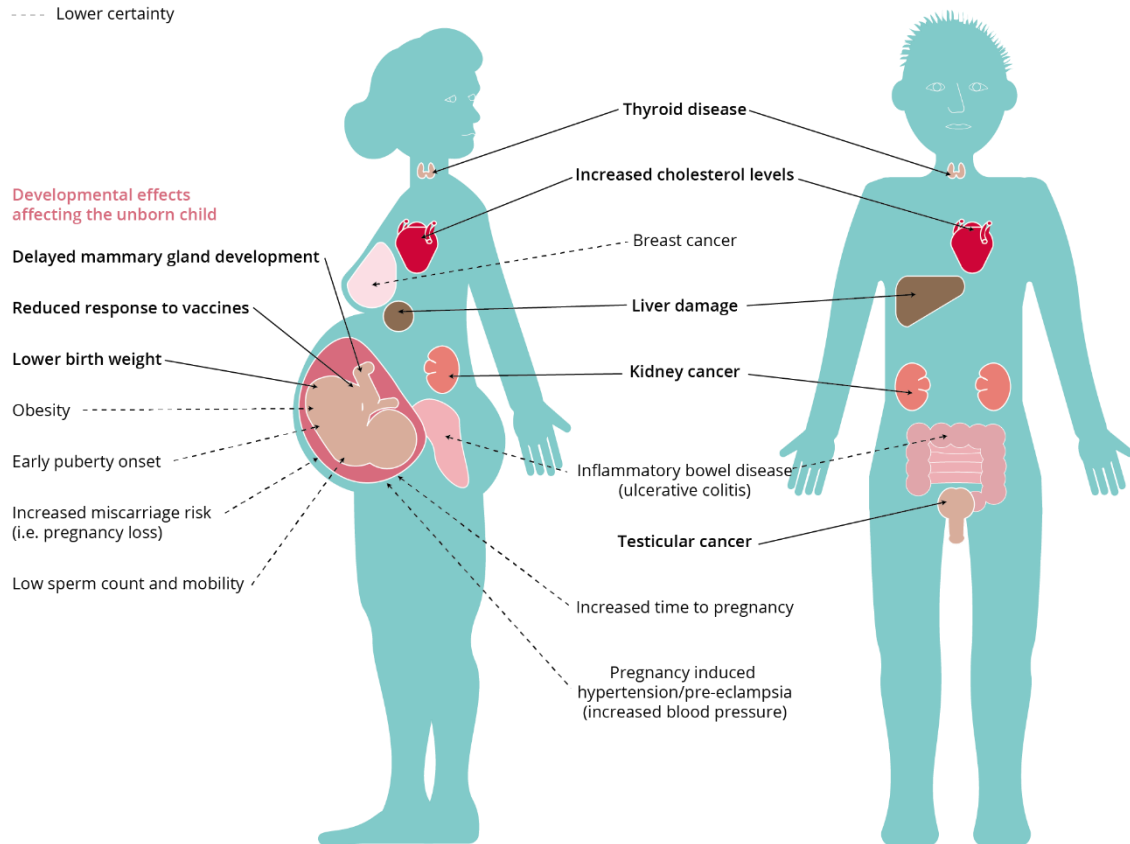
8:2 FTOH

Source : EOCB 2013, UPDS 2021

2. Halogenated derivatives

Per/poly-fluoroalkyl substances PFAS

— High certainty
- - - Lower certainty



THs = Thyroid hormones
TTR = Transthyretin
T4 = Thyroxine
T3 = Triiodothyronine

Sources : US National Toxicology Program (2016), C8 Health Project Reports (2012), CIRC OMS (2017)

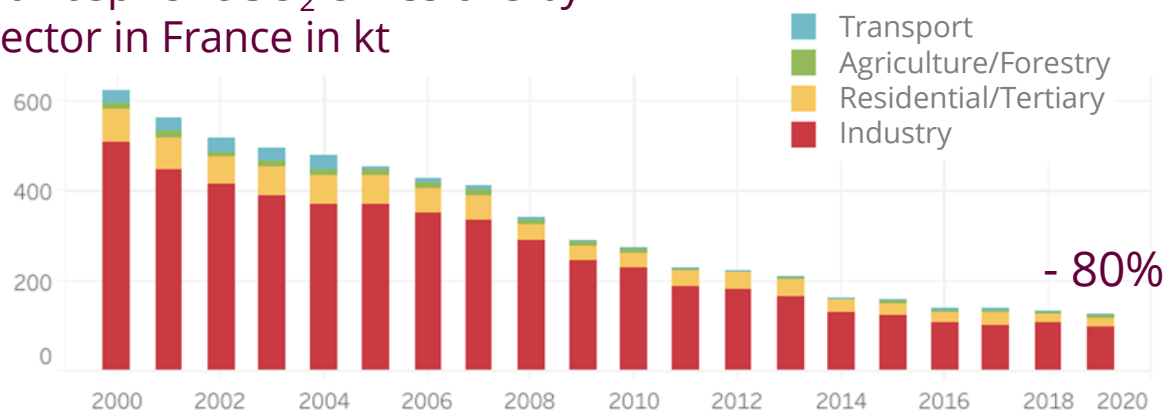
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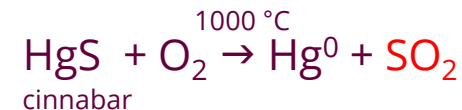
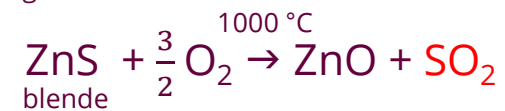
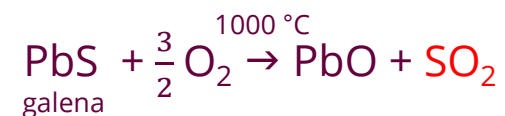
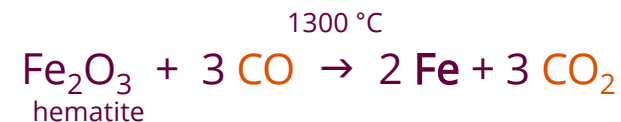
3. Metallurgy and Trace Metallic Elements

- Extractive metallurgy:
 - all the physical, chemical, calorific and electrolytic treatments that ores undergo to extract metals.
- Pyrometallurgy:
 - *thermal treatment* of minerals and metallurgical ores to enable recovery of valuable metals (roasting/smelting).
 - *metal sulfides* → release of SO₂ → toxicity, acid rains, soil acidification...

Atmospheric SO₂ emissions by sector in France in kt



- Helsinki Protocole (1985): emission of sulfur compounds
- Oslo Protocole (1994): acid rain control



Great Smog of London, Dec. 1952 → 12,000 death

Mercury

3. Metallurgy and Trace Metallic Elements

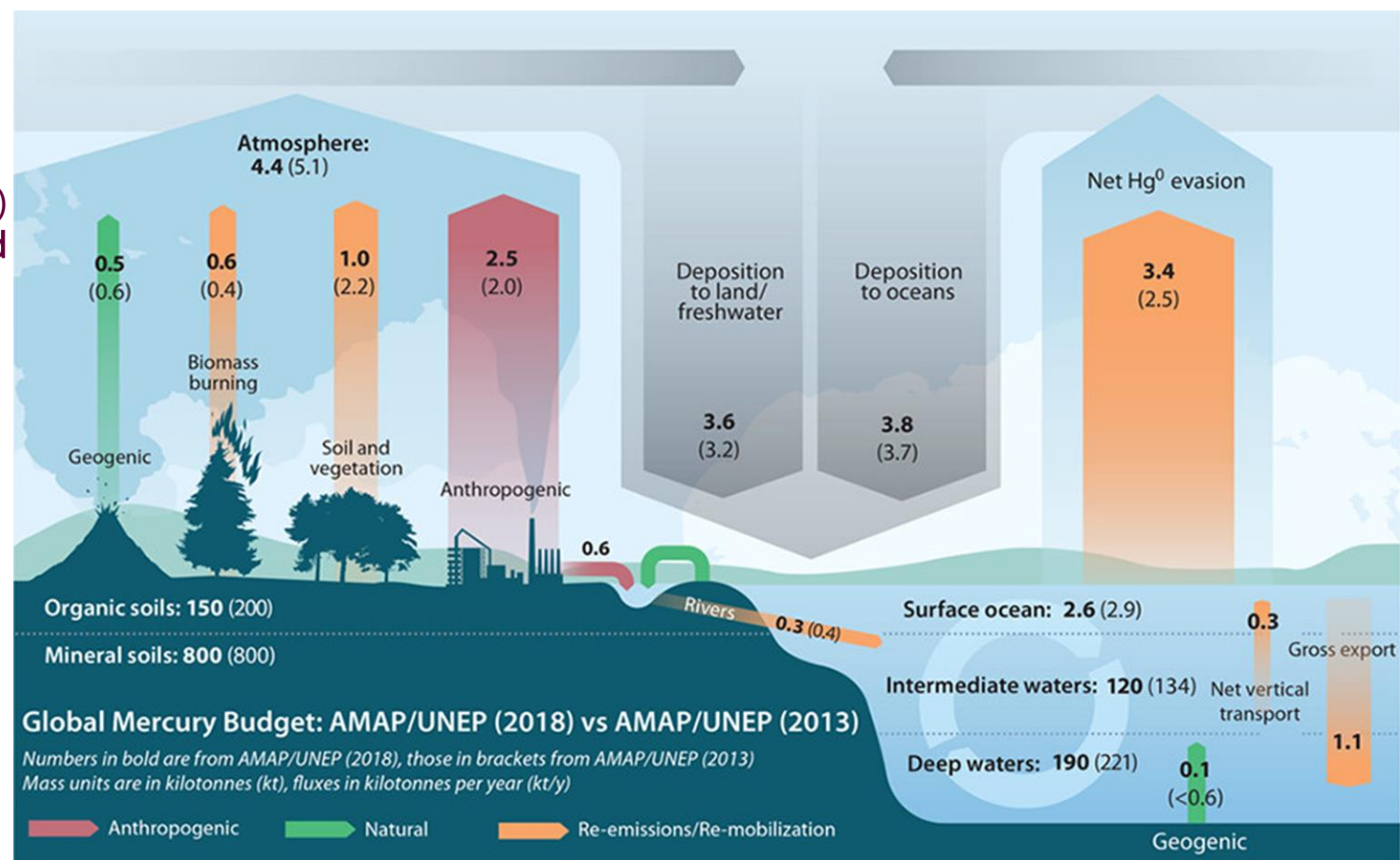
- Trace metallic elements (TME/ETM):
 - historically: heavy metals
 - metal in low concentration
 - terrestrial crust: < 1‰
 - living being: < 0.1‰
 - toxicity = f(nature, speciation, oxidation state)
 - most toxic TME for plants/animals: Hg, Pb, Cd

Mercury (Hg)

- only liquid metal at room temperature
- very volatile
- highly toxic for living beings:
 - VME Hg⁰/HgO/HgCl₂ (inhalation): 20 µg/m³
 - lifetime : brain = 1 yr, body = 30-60 days
 - VME Hg⁺²⁺ (oral):
 - 0.1 µg/kg/day (alkyl cpds)
 - 2.0 µg/kg/day (inorganic cpds)
 - Concentration:
 - volcanic fumes = 40 µg/m³
 - clean atmosphere = 2.5 µg/m³
 - coal = 0.3 ppm, oil = 3.5 ppm
 - clean soil = 0.1-2 ppm

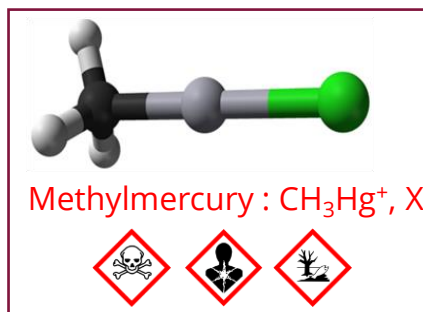


Global mercury cycle (2018)

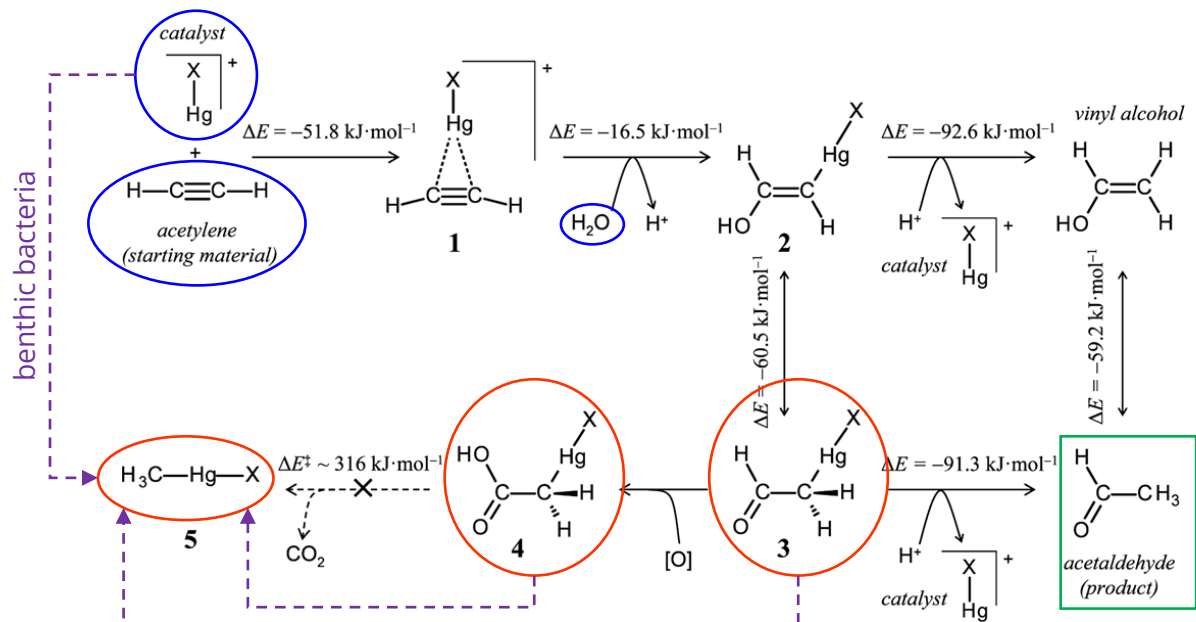


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3. Metallurgy and Trace Metallic Elements



Minamata tragedy (Japan, Chisso plant, 1956-1966)



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Increase of the concentration of a toxic substance:

- in an organism \rightarrow bioaccumulation (bioconcentration)
- throughout the trophic chain \rightarrow Biomagnification (bioamplification)
 - biomagnification factor up to 10^6 !

Direct anthropogenic atmospheric emissions of Hg^0 (1960 t, 2010) :

- **Gold panning : 37% (725 t)**
- **Combustion of fossil fuels (coal/oil): 25% (490 t)**
 - coal: 0.2 mg Hg/kg (essential emissions)
 - oil: 3.5 mg Hg/kg \rightarrow 60 t/a of eq. Hg in the atmosphere
- **Metal industry: 18% (353 t)**
- **Cement and chlorine industries: 10% (196 t)**
 - limestone : 0.2 to 2.3 mg Hg/kg
- **Combustion of household waste : 5% (98 t)**
- **Dental office rejects/Cremations (!) :**
 - dental amalgam ban in France... ? (Minamata convention, 2013)



Lead

3. Metallurgy and Trace Metallic Elements

• Lead (Pb)

- highly toxic to living organisms:
 - daily human intake: 0.35 mg/day
 - lifetime in blood: 15-30 days
 - lifetime in the skeleton: 20 days
 - Mean exposure value (VME): 0.15 mg/m³
- sources:
 - natural = 70 Kt/yr (volcanos, soils, biomass...)
 - anthropic = 130 Kt/an



Galena (PbS)

• Pb metal

- accumulators and batteries (80%!)
 - water pipes (replaced...)
 - tin solder alloys (Sn 62%, Pb 32%)
 - roofing materials: cf ND de Paris!
 - hunting lead (alloy: 1.5% Sb, 0.8% As)

Water pollution
Risk of direct poisoning

• Inorganic compounds

- anti-rust paint for Pb₃O₄ (minium) steels
- paint, varnish, mastic and PVC colorants: Pb(OH)₂.PbCO₃, PbCrO₄, PbMoO₄, PbO
- leaded glass, crystal: PbO
- tobacco (lead arsenate)
- fertilizers (impurities in superphosphates)

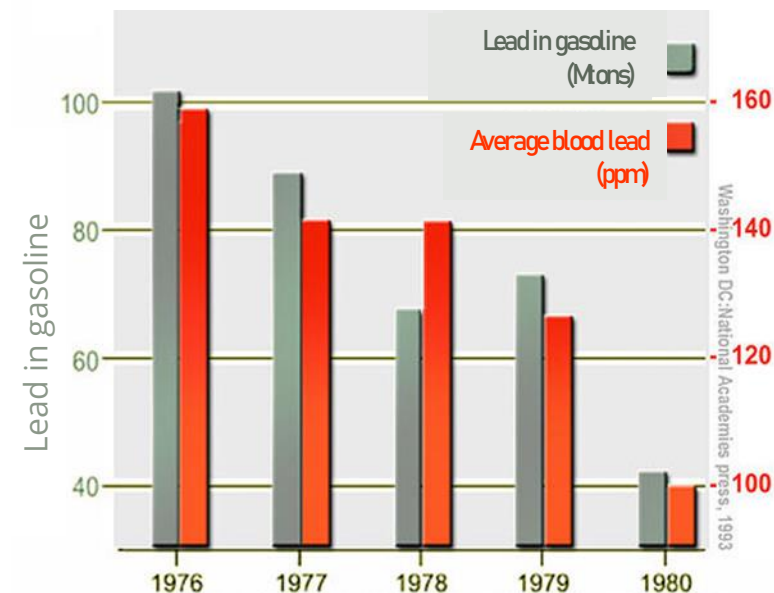
banned for professionals in 1949...but used until 1993 (official ban)

• Organic compounds

- Tetraethyl lead: PbEt₄ (anti-knock product in gasoline)

Air pollution, then water and sediment (rivers, estuaries, oceans)

Spectacular consequence of the PbEt₄ ban in US (1996) and Europe (2000)



Source : National Research Council ; Measuring Lead exposure in infants, children and other sensitive populatins, Washington DC:National Academies press, 1993

Cadmium

3. Metallurgy and Trace Metallic Elements

• Cadmium (Cd)

- highly toxic to living organisms:

- daily human intake: 3 µg/day
- lifetime in liver and kidneys: 10 years
- lifetime in the skeleton: 20 days
- VME: 0.05 mg/m³



- absorption into the body:

- food (fish, shellfish, offal, cereals, vegetables)
- natural presence of Cd in soils and fertilizers; accumulation in leaves (cabbage, lettuce, tobacco...)
- tobacco: 20 cigarettes = 2 µg Cd (75% dose day)



- Use of cadmium metal

- rechargeable Ni-Cd batteries (86%!)
 - plating (surface treatment)
 - brazing alloys (Ag 50%, Cd 18%, Zn 16%, Cu 15%)
 - fuse alloy (Bi 50%, Pb 27%, Sn 13%, Cd 10%)
 - electronics and electrical engineering industry



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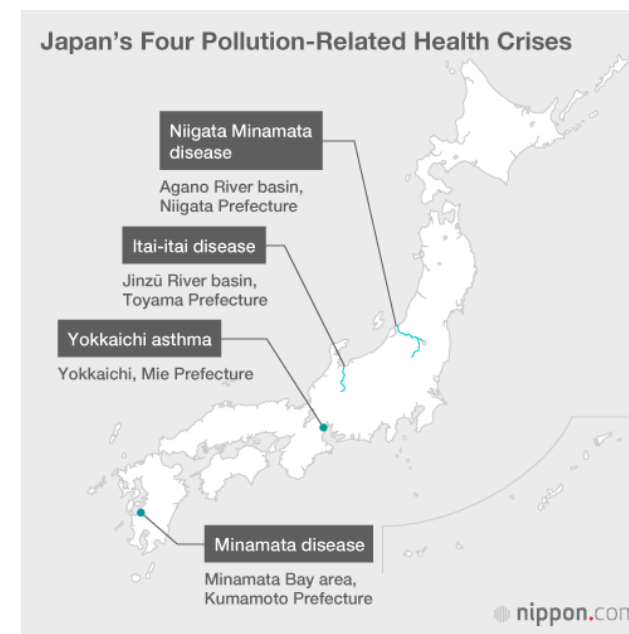


Disaster in Itai-itai
(Toyoma, Japan, 1955)

• Inorganic compounds

- paint and PVC colorants (CdS, CdSe)
- plastic stabilizers (cadmium stearate)
- impurity in phosphate fertilizers
- spreading sludge

EC 2014: discussions on banning Cd pigments
REACH (4/2016): < 0.01% w/w (< 0.1% w/w if > 10% Zn)





III. Third cause of pollution: agricultural activities

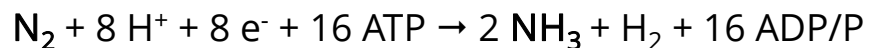
1. Fertilizers
2. Pesticides

Nitrogen cycle

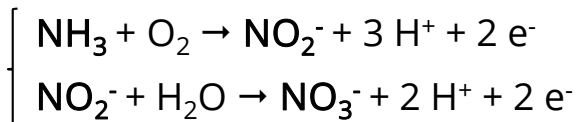
1. Fertilizers

- To be assimilated in biomass, nitrogen must be fixed (NH_3 or NO_3^-)
 - 3 biotic processes regulate the N cycle:
 - fixation, nitrification, denitrification
 - 2 physical processes are involved:
 - volcanism, thunderstorms
 - 1 chemical process developed:
 - Haber process

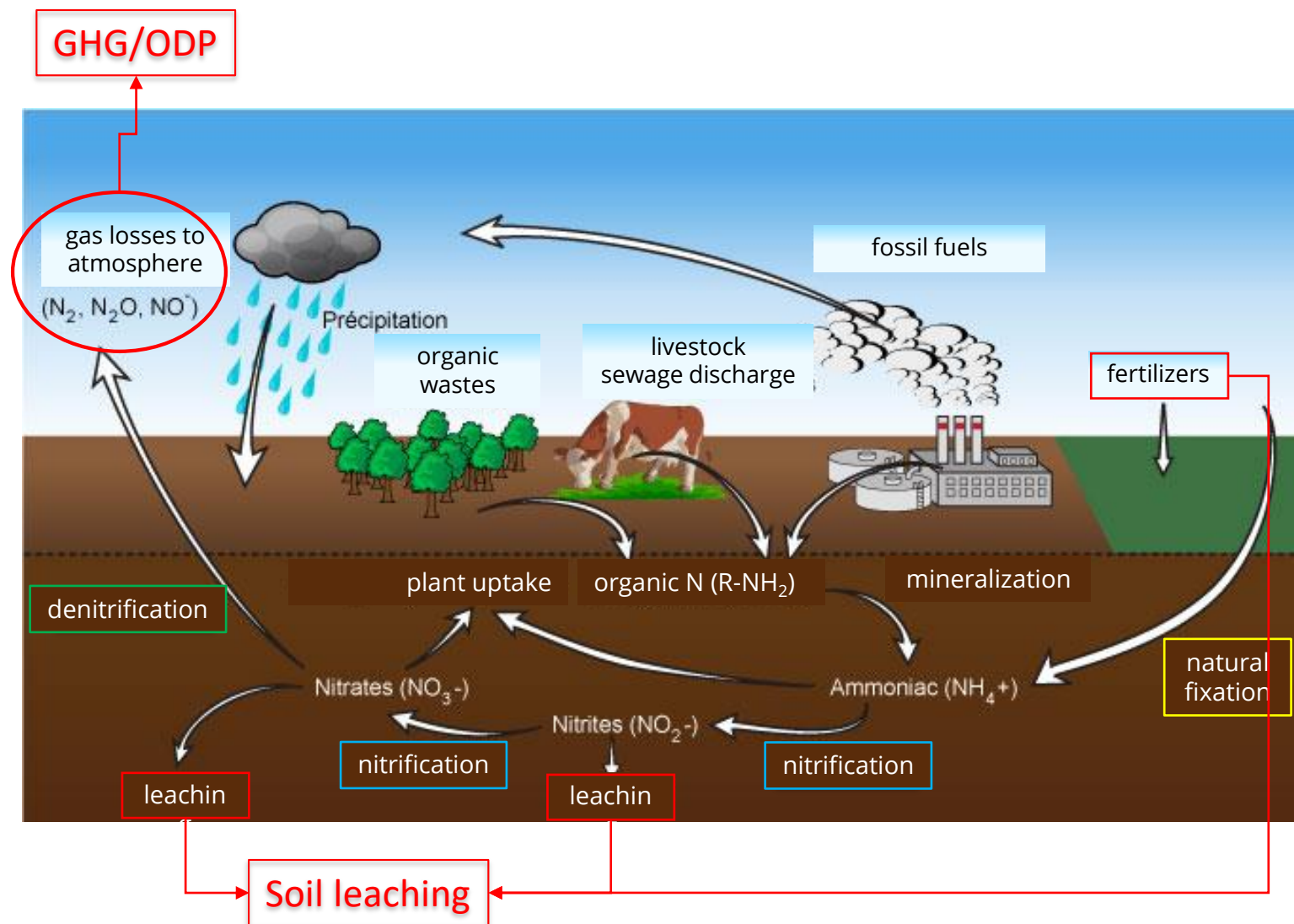
Atmospheric N_2 fixation



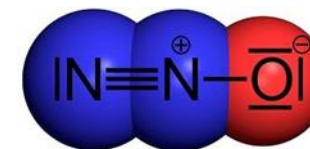
Nitrification



Denitrification

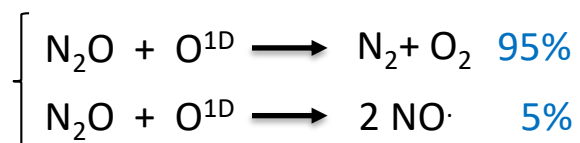


Nitrogen protoxide



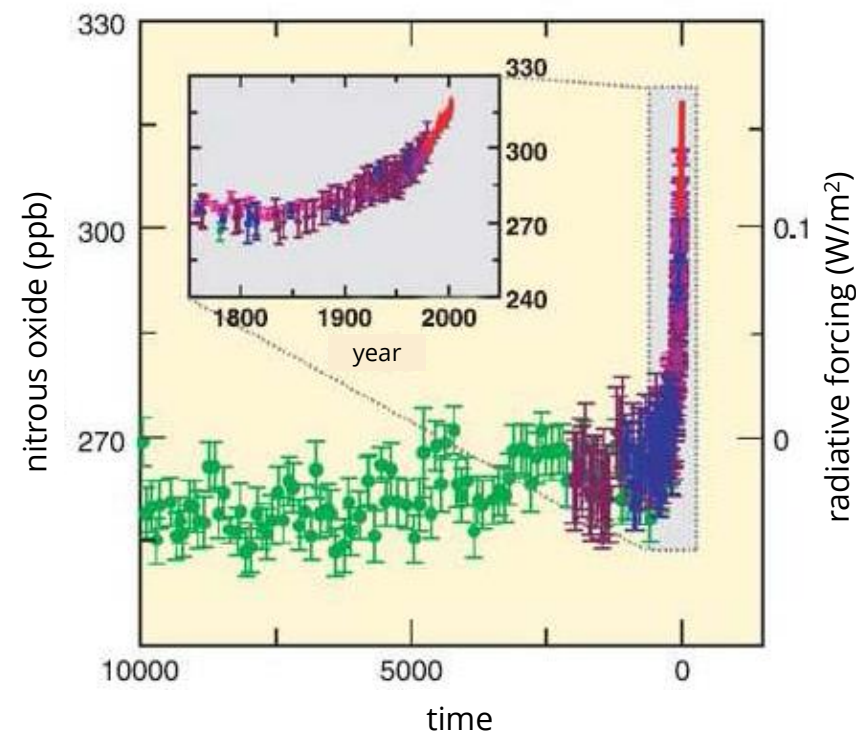
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- euphoric gas, anesthetic, oxidizer rocket engine
- results from biological reactions (denitrification in anoxia)
- stable in the troposphere (as destroyed by photolysis at $\lambda < 400 \text{ nm}$)
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- decomposes in the stratosphere:



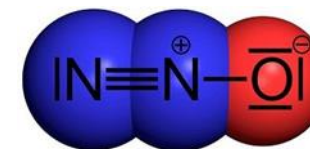
vs O_3 stratos. !

N_2O sources	TgN / yr
Natural sources:	6.5
-soils	4.5
-oceans	2
Anthropic sources:	8
-fossil fuels	1.2
-biomass combustion	0.5
-fertilization	6.3
Total	14.5



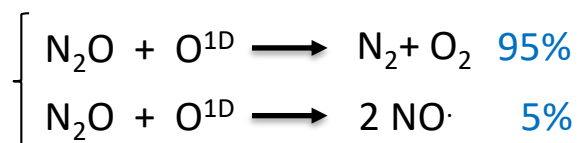
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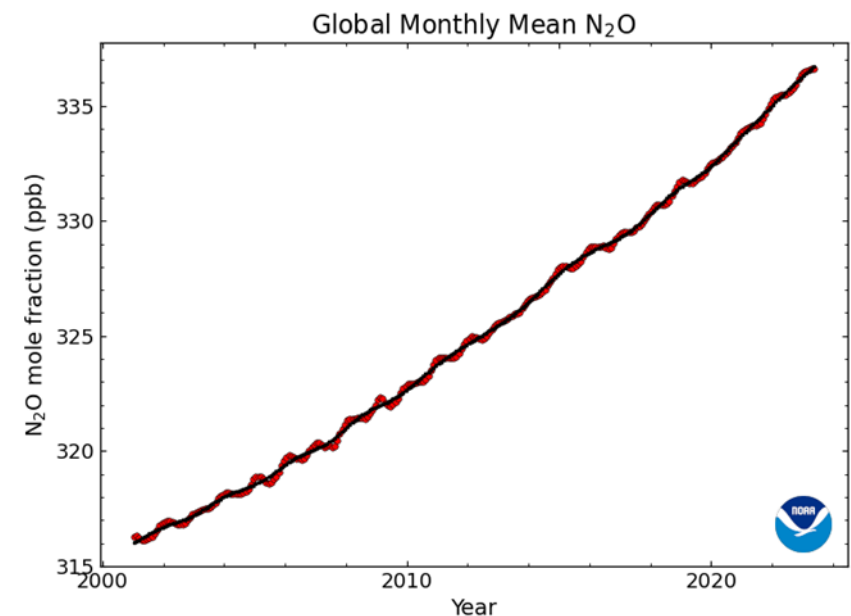
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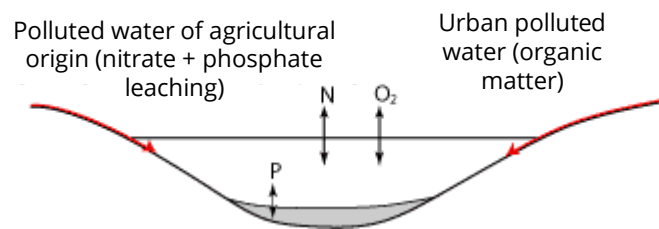


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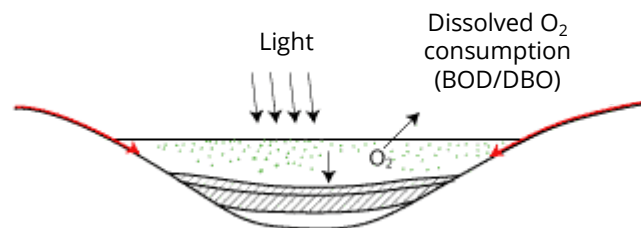
Phosphorous cycle – Eutrophisation/Dystrophisation

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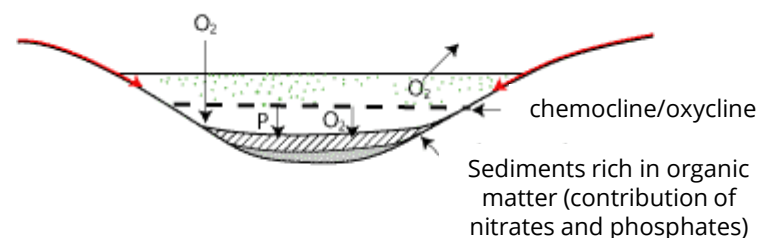
- element P is present in low concentrations in the biosphere (limiting factor in ecosystems)
- eutrophisation:
 - natural enrichment of an aquatic ecosystem with nutrients (nitrates, phosphates...)
 - *kinetic*: tens of thousands of years
- dystrophisation (or hyper-entrophication):
 - anthropogenic enrichment of an aquatic ecosystem with nutrients
 - *kinetic*: decades



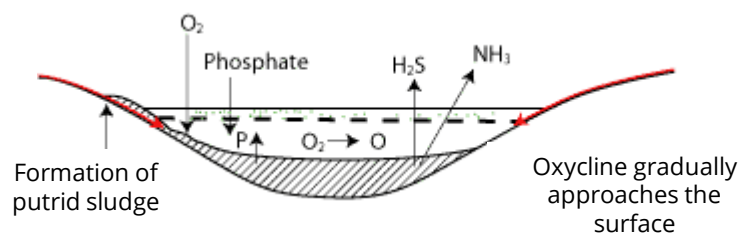
1. Nutrient supply



2. Algae bloom on the surface



3. Death and aerobic decomposition of algae on the bottom



4. Anaerobic fermentation: H_2S , NH_3

Proliferation of algae and higher aquatic plants: green/red tide

* Phenomenon favoured by:

- high temperatures
- high light levels
- low current
- homogeneous living conditions

Phosphorous cycle – Eutrophication/Dystrophication

1. Fertilizers

How do you know whether nitrates in surface water come from fertilizers or not?

$$\delta_{15\text{N}} = \left(\frac{[^{15}\text{N}]/[^{14}\text{N}]_{\text{échantillon}}}{[^{15}\text{N}]/[^{14}\text{N}]_{\text{air}}} - 1 \right) \times 1000$$

$$\delta_{18\text{O}} = \left(\frac{[^{18}\text{O}]/[^{16}\text{O}]_{\text{échantillon}}}{[^{18}\text{O}]/[^{16}\text{O}]_{\text{air}}} - 1 \right) \times 1000$$

Nitrates (fertilizers):

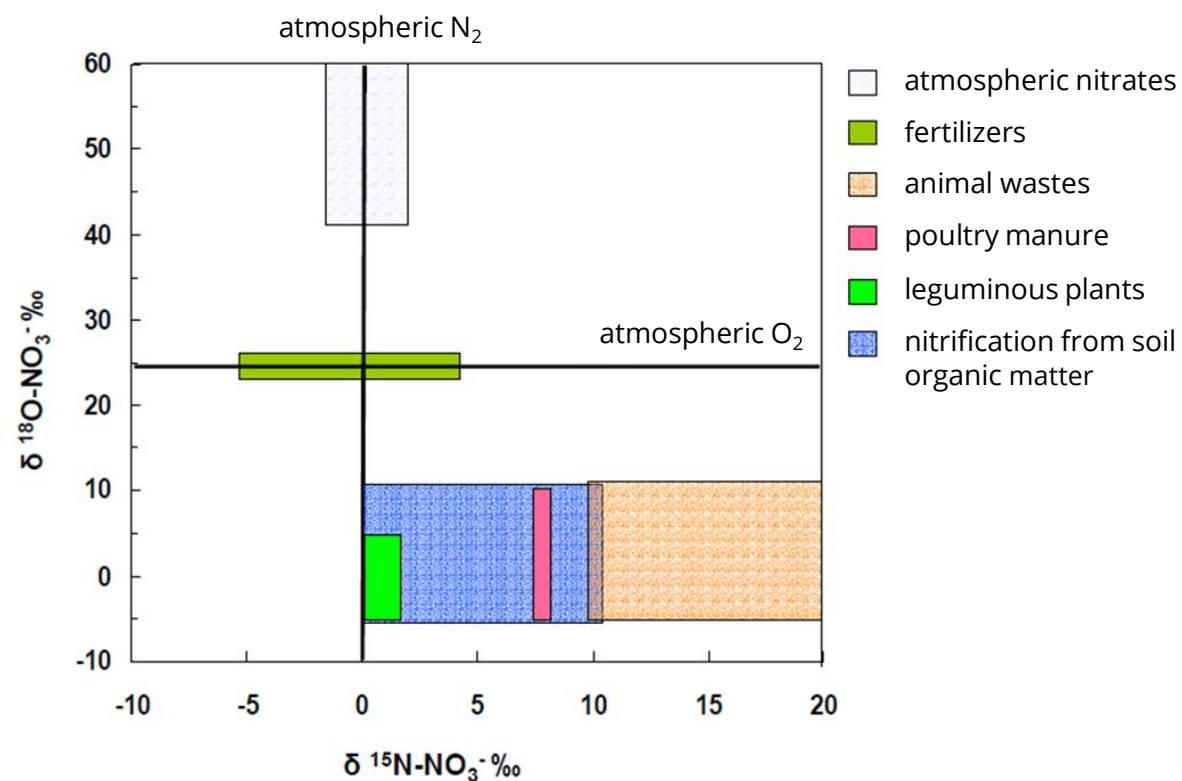
$$\delta_{15\text{N}} = -5/+5\text{‰}$$

$$\delta_{18\text{O}} = 23.5\text{‰}$$

Nitrates (natural):

$$\delta_{15\text{N}} = 0/+20\text{‰}$$

$$\delta_{18\text{O}} = -5/+10\text{‰}$$

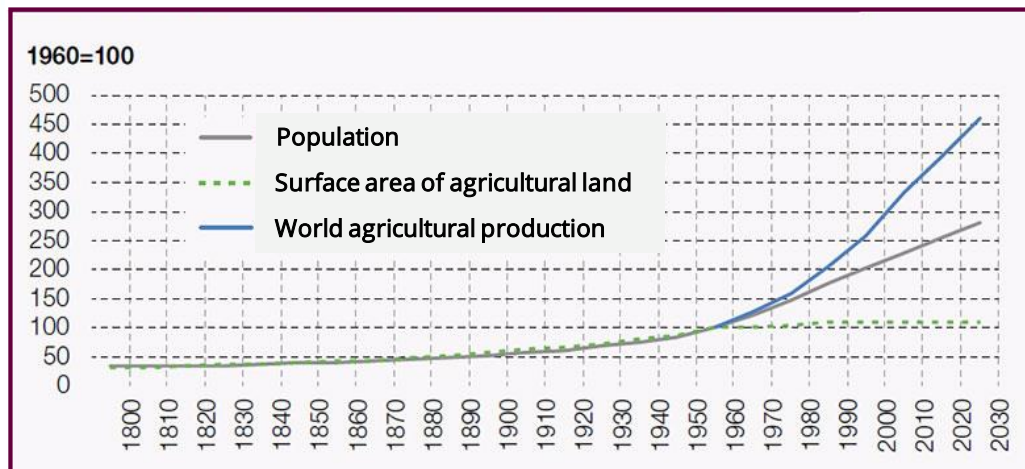


Intensive use of fertilizers – Environmental impacts

1. Fertilizers

- Nitrogen fertilizers:
 - NH_4NO_3 , $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$, $\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, urea
- Phosphate fertilizers:
 - $\text{Ca}(\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4)_2$ (superphosphates), Thomas meal (bone, dried blood)
- Potassium salts:
 - KCl , K_2SO_4
- Fertilizers production:
 - energy consumption
 - consumption of non-renewable raw materials
 - large quantities (storage: AZF accident; transport)
- Fertilizers use:
 - dystrophization
 - soil pollution by TME

Global trends: agricultural production set to grow faster than population, with almost the same surface area



Source : OCDE (2019)

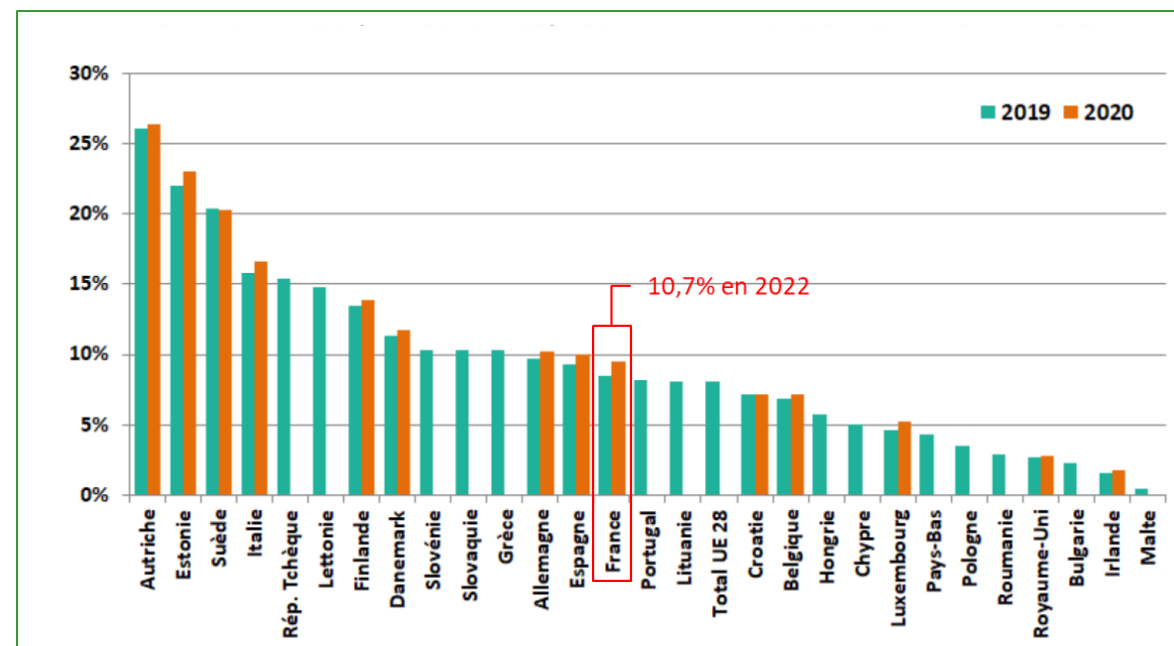
NO_3^- sources	Fixed N Gt NO_3^- / yr
Natural sources: -bacteria, lightstorms	140
Anthropic sources:	210
-nitrated fertilizers	80
-nitrifying crops (carrots, beets...)	40
-biomass combustion	40
-fossil fuel combustion	20
-land clearing	20
-drainage of wetlands	10

Alternatives

1. Fertilizers

- Organic/biological farming:
 - agricultural production system based on *rational soil management* for quality, balanced, more autonomous, more economical and non-polluting production:
 - respecting biological cycles and the environment
 - takes account of ecological knowledge
- Organic farming in France in 2022:
 - over 200,000 direct jobs
 - organic market :
 - + 50% vs 2015
 - - 4.6% vs 2021
 - sales = 12 billions €
 - useful agricultural area = 10,7%
- Rational/reasoned fertilization:
 - *'the right dose in the right place'*
 - part of the integrated agriculture
 - ≠ organic farming!

Percentage of useful agricultural area cultivated organically in the EU



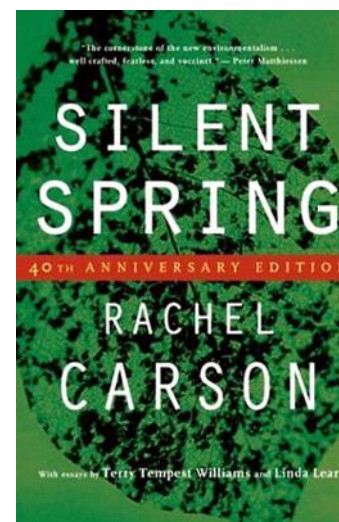
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Introduction

2. Pesticides

- **pesticide:**
 - chemical substance used to prevent, destroy, repel or mitigate animal and plant pests
- **phytosanitary product:**
 - a pest control product for agricultural and related uses designed to protect and/or cure plants
- **biocide:**
 - substance hazardous to all living organisms

- insecticide
- herbicide
- fongicide
- helicide
- corvicide
- nematocide
- rodenticide
- acaricide
- antimicrobial
- algicide
- anti-fooling agent



1962



Rachel CARSON
1907-1964
Biologist and writer

State of the art:

- pesticides are the only class of chemical pollutants **deliberately dispersed** in terrestrial ecosystems because of their **toxicity!**
- **90%** of pesticides applied do not reach their target! They are transferred to the air (**10%**), water (**5%**) and soil (**75%**).
- Specifications (challenge!) for a pesticide: **selective** in toxicity and rapidly **degradable** beyond its time of action.
- **468** authorized active ingredients (Europe, April 2021) in around **4,000** commercial specialties
- No. 1 consumer of crop protection products on the European market (18%): 100 to 61 kt (2001 to 2020)
- Europe's 10th-largest consumer in kg/Ha (3.4 kg/Ha in 2020)

- **insecticide:** carbamates – neonicotinoids
- **herbicide:** organochlorines – aminophosphate (glyphosate)

Insectides

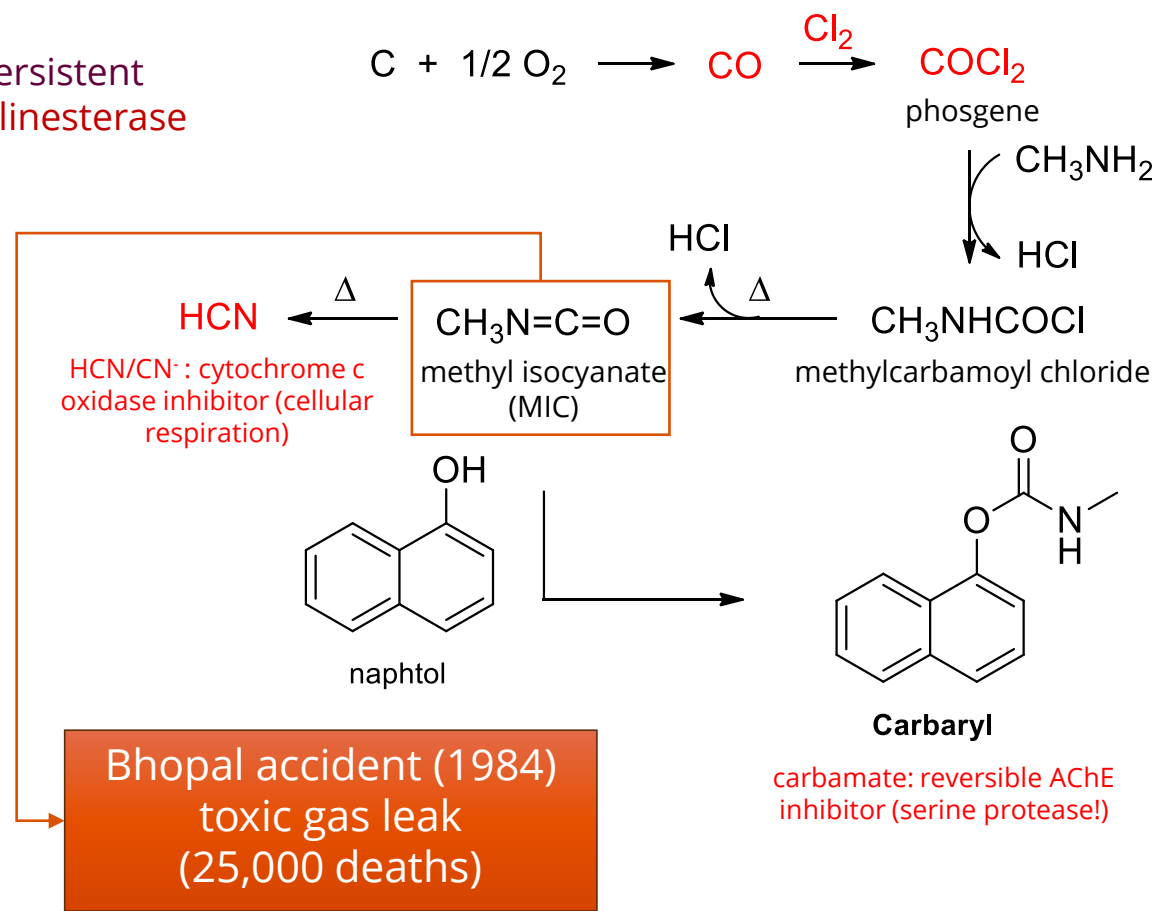
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- carbamates:
 - carbamic acid derivatives (RNHCOOR')
 - relatively selective, do not accumulate in fat, not very persistent
 - toxic through action on the CNS: inhibition of **acetylcholinesterase**
 - **toxic to mammals, kill bees (banned in Europe in 2007)**



UNION CARBIDE / DOW Chemical

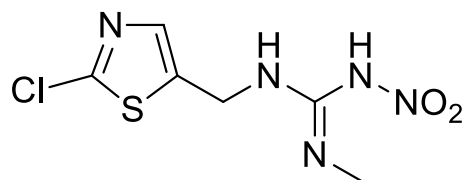
Carbaryl synthesis (Sevin)



Insecticides

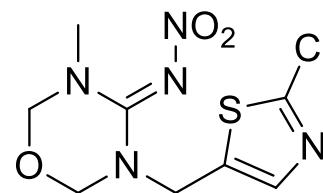
2. Pesticides

- neonicotinoids:
 - antagonist of nicotinic cholinergic receptors
 - neuronal hyperactivation and insect death
 - suspected of causing a decline in the honeybee population
 - ban in France in 2018, derogation in 2020, new ban in 2023 (EC justice)



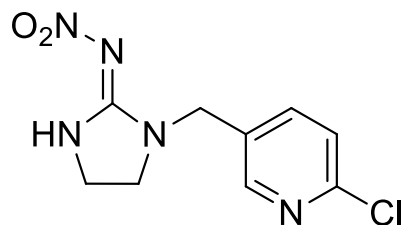
Clothianidine

Poncho®: never authorized in France



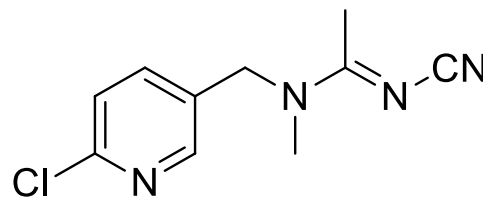
Thiamethoxam

Cruiser® : banned for colza in 2012



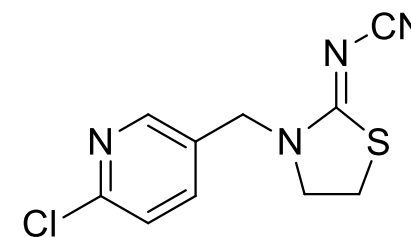
Imidaclopride

Gaucho®: banned for sunflowers in 1999, for corn in 2004



Acetamipride

Chipco®: authorized (toxic to bees)



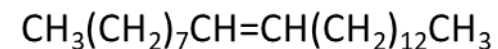
Thiaclopride

Proteus®: authorized (toxic to bees)
Thiacloprid + Deltamethrin

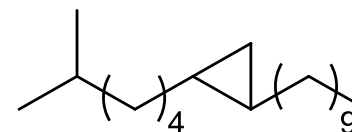
Alternatives to conventional chemical insecticides

2. Pesticides

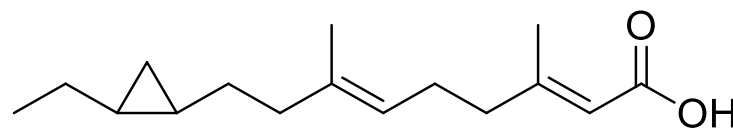
- **pheromones:**
 - Chemical substance secreted by animals to stimulate a physiological or behavioral response in another member of the same species (communication)
 - the most interesting (but expensive) are "sex-attractive" pheromones
- **growth hormones:**
 - Chemical substance secreted by animals to promote the development of young individuals
 - Production of the hormone is naturally halted to allow the adult to mature



Common fly pheromone

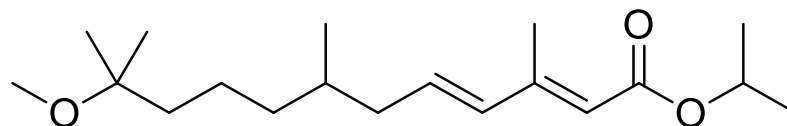


Moth pheromone



a natural juvenile hormone

- Search for analogues of these compounds with more interesting properties and at a more affordable cost

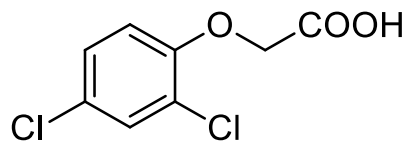


Metoprene

Herbicides

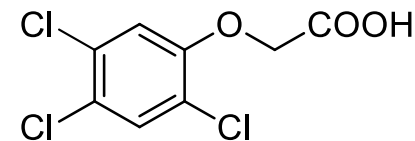
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- organochlorides:
 - 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T
 - defoliating properties (leaf drop)
 - "Orange agent"
 - Teratogenic! Banned in 1985



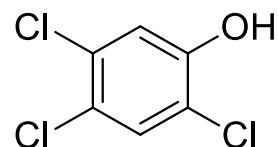
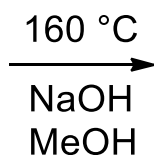
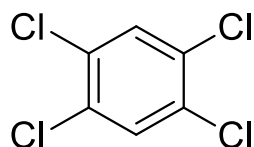
2,4-D

2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid

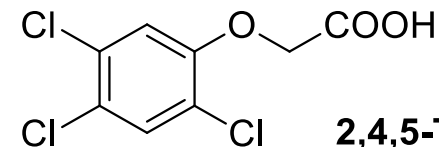
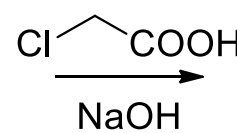


2,4,5-T

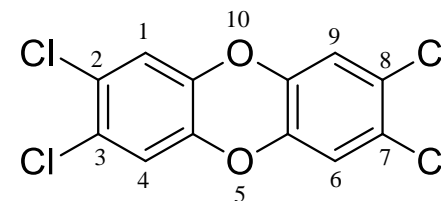
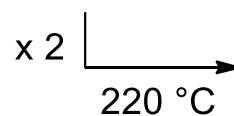
2,4,5-trichlorophenoxyacetic acid



trichlorophenol



2,4,5-T



2,3,7,8-tétrachlorodibenzo-*p*-dioxine

« **Seveso dioxin** »

2,3,7,8-TCDD

*Seveso
directives*



Seveso (Milan) – 1976
Trichlorophénol production:
Contamination of several thousand hectares

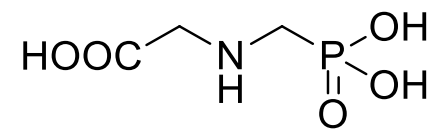
Herbicides

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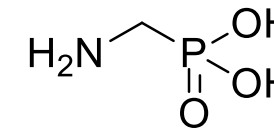
- aminophosphates - Glyphosate:
 - Foliar and root herbicide, widely used
 - Inhibition of amino acid synthesis enzymes (Tyr, Phe, Trp)
 - Not selective: eliminates all vegetation
 - Very rapidly degraded to AMPA (aminomethylphosphonic acid)
 - Very low toxicity to warm-blooded animals:
 - LD50 (rat) = 4900 mg/kg

5-EnolPyruvyl-Shikimate 3-Phosphate Synthase (EPSPS) :

- absent in mammals
- **does not mean that Round-up (glyphosate) is non-toxic!**



Round-up®
(glyphosate + adjuvants...)



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ABSTRACT

Glyphosate-based herbicides (GlyBH), including Roundup, are the most widely used pesticides worldwide. Their uses have increased exponentially since their introduction on the market. Residue levels in food or water, as well as human exposures, are escalating. We have reviewed the toxic effects of GlyBH measured below regulatory limits by evaluating the published literature and regulatory reports. We reveal a coherent body of evidence indicating that GlyBH could be toxic below the regulatory lowest observed adverse effect level for chronic toxic effects. It includes teratogenic, tumorigenic and hepatorenal effects. They could be explained by endocrine disruption and oxidative stress, causing metabolic alterations, depending on dose and exposure time. Some effects were detected in the range of the recommended acceptable daily intake. Toxic effects of commercial formulations can also be explained by GlyBH adjuvants, which have their own toxicity, but also enhance glyphosate toxicity. These challenge the assumption of safety of GlyBH at the levels at which they contaminate food and the environment, albeit these levels may fall below regulatory thresholds. Neurodevelopmental, reproductive, and trans-generational effects of GlyBH must be revisited, since a growing body of knowledge suggests the predominance of endocrine disrupting mechanisms caused by environmentally relevant levels of exposure.

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Glyphosate induces cardiovascular toxicity in *Danio rerio*



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ABSTRACT

Glyphosate is a broad spectrum herbicide used aggressively in agricultural practices as well as home garden care. Although labeled “safe” by the chemical industry, doses tested by industry do not mimic chronic exposures to sublethal doses that organisms in the environment are exposed to over long periods of time. Given the widespread uses of and exposure to glyphosate, studies on developmental toxicity are needed. Here we utilize the zebrafish vertebrate model system to study early effects of glyphosate on the developing heart. Treatment by embryo soaking with 50 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ glyphosate starting at gastrulation results in structural abnormalities in the atrium and ventricle, irregular heart looping, *situs inversus* as well as decreased heartbeats by 48 h as determined by live imaging and immunohistochemistry. Vasculature in the body was also affected as determined using *fli-1* transgenic embryos. To determine if the effects noted at 48 h post fertilization are due to early stage alterations in myocardial precursors, we also investigate cardiomyocyte development with a Mef2 antibody and by *mef2ca* *in situ* hybridization and find alterations in the Mef2/*mef2ca* staining patterns during early cardiac patterning stages. We conclude that glyphosate is developmentally toxic to the zebrafish heart.

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Differences in the carcinogenic evaluation of glyphosate between the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) and the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

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SUMMARY

The IARC WG concluded that glyphosate is a 'probable human carcinogen', putting it into IARC category 2A due to *sufficient evidence* of carcinogenicity in animals, *limited evidence* of carcinogenicity in humans and *strong evidence* for two carcinogenic mechanisms.

- ▶ The IARC WG found an association between NHL and glyphosate based on the available human evidence.
- ▶ The IARC WG found significant carcinogenic effects in laboratory animals for rare kidney tumours and hemangiosarcoma in two mouse studies and benign tumours in two rat studies.
- ▶ The IARC WG concluded that there was strong evidence of genotoxicity and oxidative stress for glyphosate, entirely from publicly available research, including findings of DNA damage in the peripheral blood of exposed humans.

The RAR concluded⁵ (Vol. 1, p.160) that 'classification and labelling for carcinogenesis is not warranted' and 'glyphosate is devoid of genotoxic potential'.

- ▶ EFSA⁴ classified the human evidence as 'very limited' and then dismissed any association of glyphosate with cancer without clear explanation or justification.
- ▶ Ignoring established guidelines cited in their report, EFSA dismissed evidence of renal tumours in three mouse

studies, hemangiosarcoma in two mouse studies and malignant lymphoma in two mouse studies. Thus, EFSA incorrectly discarded all findings of glyphosate-induced cancer in animals as chance occurrences.

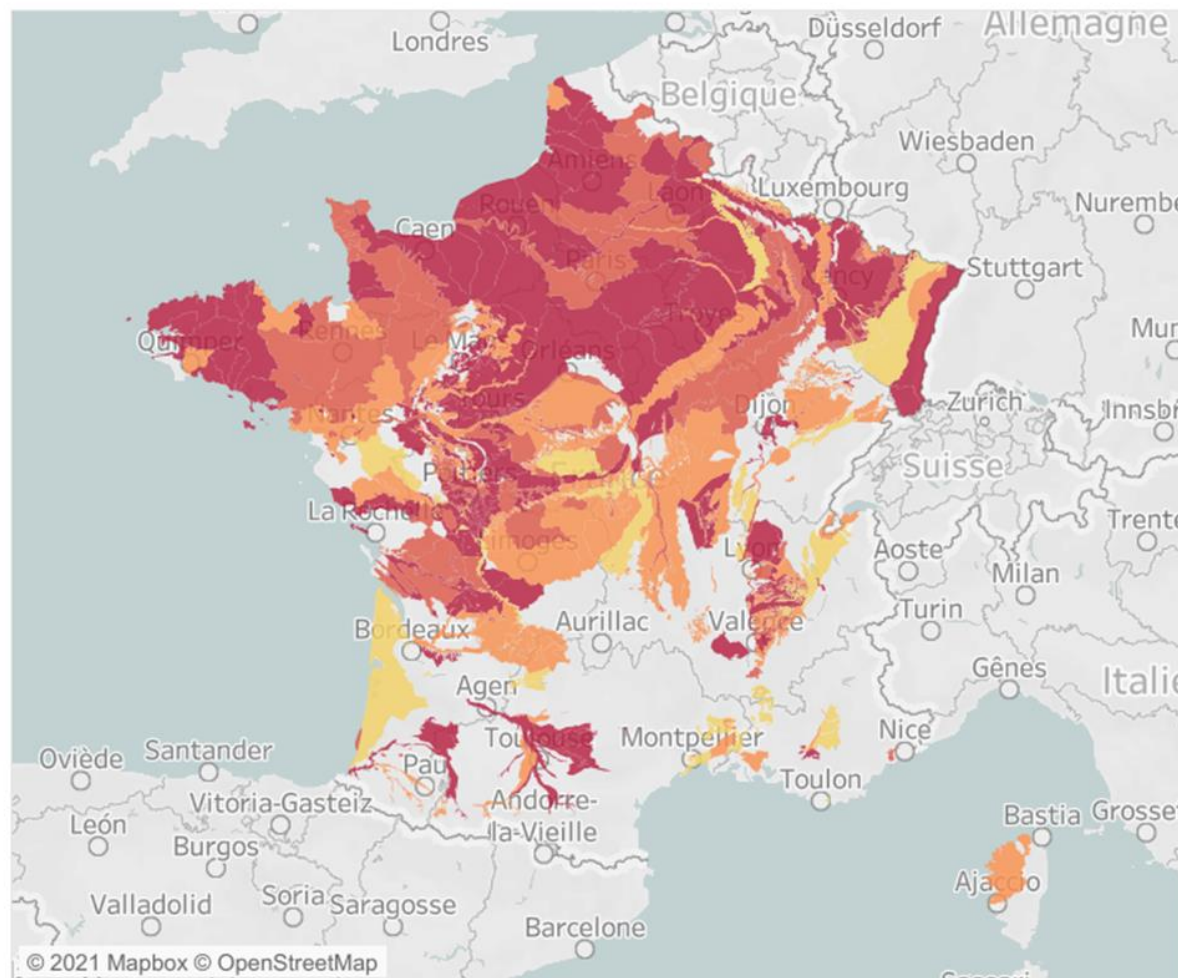
- ▶ EFSA ignored important laboratory and human mechanistic evidence of genotoxicity.
- ▶ EFSA confirmed that glyphosate induces oxidative stress but then, having dismissed all other findings of possible carcinogenicity, dismissed this finding on the grounds that oxidative stress alone is not sufficient for carcinogen labelling.

The most appropriate and scientifically based evaluation of the cancers reported in humans and laboratory animals as well as supportive mechanistic data is that glyphosate is a *probable human carcinogen*. On the basis of this conclusion and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, it is reasonable to conclude that glyphosate formulations should also be considered likely human carcinogens. The CLP Criteria¹⁸ (Table 3.6.1, p.371) allow for a similar classification of Category 1B when there are 'studies showing limited evidence of carcinogenicity in humans together with limited evidence of carcinogenicity in experimental animals'.

Groundwater quality, France 2017



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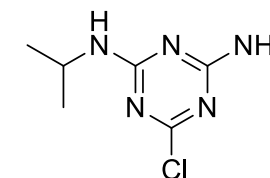
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Taux des points des mesure avec la présence du pesticide en 2017

Champ: France entière. Eaux souterraines.

Sources: Système d'information sur l'eau - <https://www.eaufrance.fr/>. Traitements: SDES, 2019

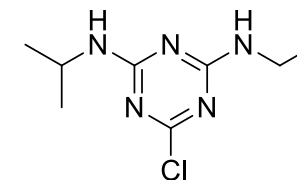
Pesticide choice
desethyl atrazine



Detection rate

- less than 25%
- between 25% and 50%
- between 50 and 75%
- between 75 and 100%

Atrazine: banned since 2003!



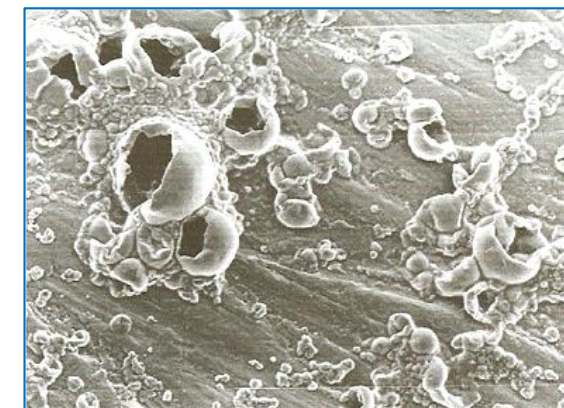
Conclusion and alternatives to conventional pesticides

2. Pesticides

Plants suffer from over **80,000** diseases, **30,000** species of weeds, **3,000** species of nematodes and around **10,000** species of insect pests. More than **1,000** active compounds are used as pesticides worldwide.

- Impact of pesticides on health and the environment:
 - Lack of *selectivity* and excessive *stability*
 - water and soil pollution
 - toxicity and ecotoxicity
 - Virtually no structural *eco-design* taken into consideration to date

- Alternatives to conventional pesticides:
 - organic/biological farming
 - reasoned (integrated) farming (seed coating)
 - changes in eating habits (meat consumption)
 - genetically-modified plants
 - What are the impacts of GM plants on the environment and health?
 - nanocides = encapsulation of a pesticide in a nanoparticle
 - specific pesticide release (temperature, pH, contact...)
 - What are the impacts of NP on the environment and health?
 - eco-design of pesticides (and medicines) !!!



- GM 'Mon' corn resist to Round'up (Monsanto/Bayer)
- GM "Bt" corn with insecticidal properties (Novartis)

Karate Zeon (Syngenta...)
Insecticide : λ -cyhalothrin



4. Sustainable development and challenges for the chemical industry and research

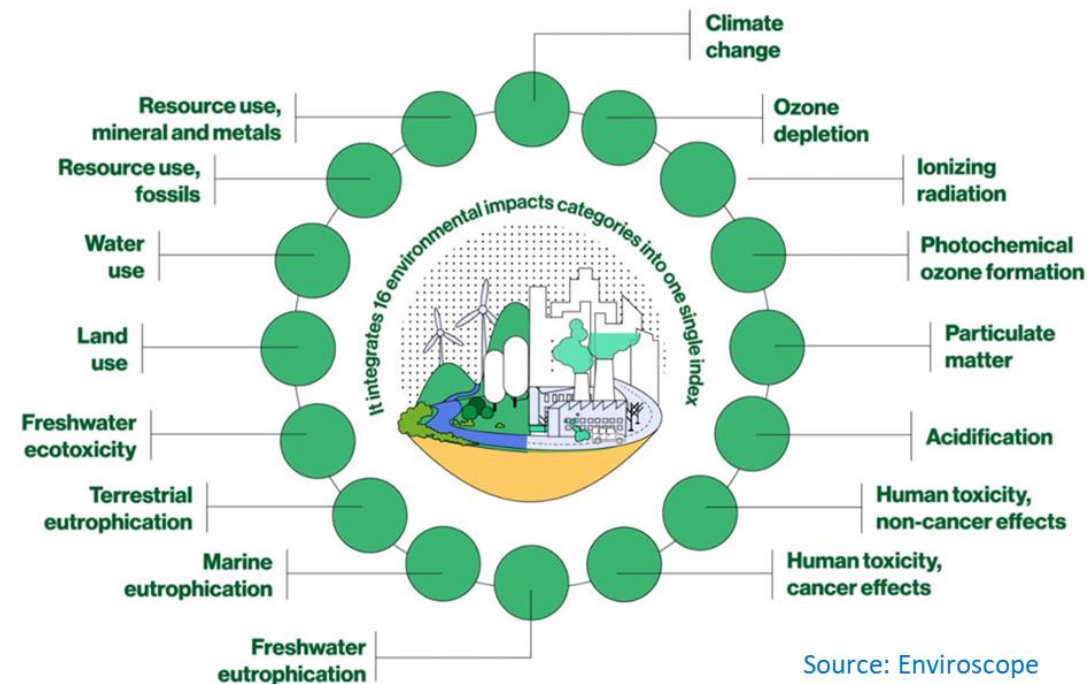
Sustainable development, United Nations

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Challenges for the chemical industry and research

- reduce the environmental impact of a chemical product and its synthesis:
 - product, synthetic process, energy, waste
 - LCA of product and process
 - up to 16 environmental impacts evaluated...
 - ... over the different steps of its life
 - extraction PM, production, transport, use, end of life
 - cf. Module 2 (C. Cannizzo and P. Tardiveau)
 - includes chemical waste management and circular economy
 - cf. Module 3 (S. Henry-Daguerre)



Challenges for the chemical industry and research

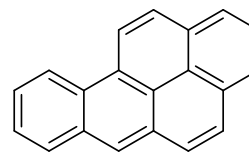
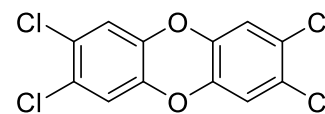
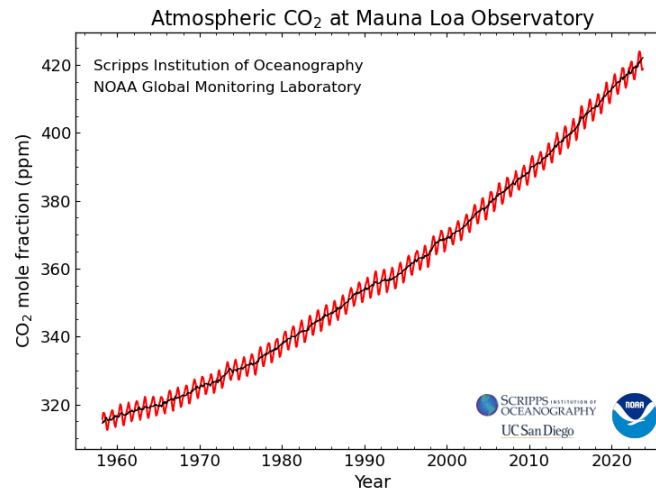
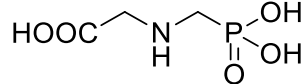
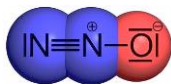
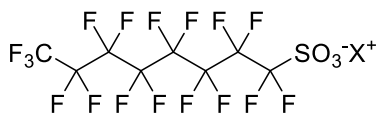
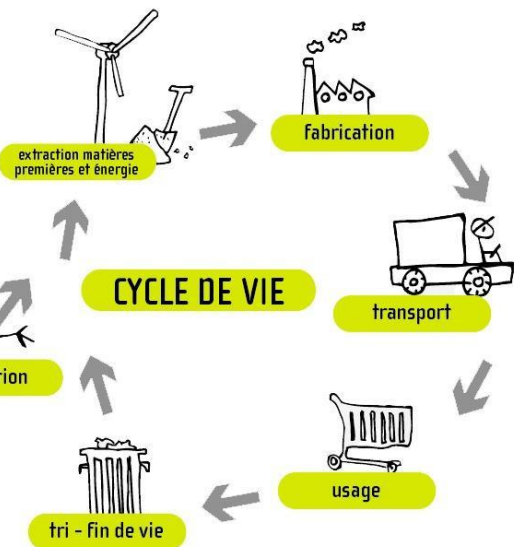
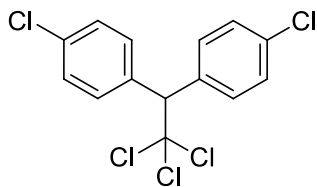
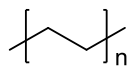
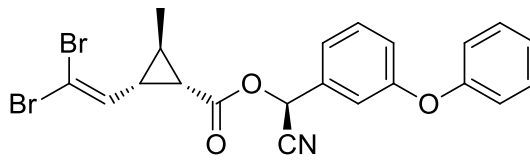
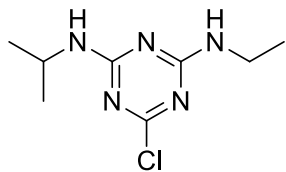
- reduce the environmental impact of a chemical product and its synthesis:
 - product, synthetic process, energy, waste
 - LCA of product and process
 - up to 16 environmental impacts evaluated...
 - ... over the different steps of its life
 - extraction PM, production, transport, use, end of life
 - cf. Module 2 (C. Cannizzo and P. Tardiveau)
 - includes chemical waste management and circular economy
 - cf. Module 3 (S. Henry-Daguerre)
 - includes the 12 principles of green chemistry
 - cf. Modules 2 (C. Cannizzo) and 4 (M.-C. Scherrmann)
 - includes chemical and environmental regulations
 - cf. Module 5 (M. Boivin)
 - includes environmental performance assessment (EPA) in chemistry
 - cf. Module 6 (M.-C. Scherrmann)



Respecting one or more of the 12 principles of green chemistry does not necessarily mean that your chemistry is sustainable!

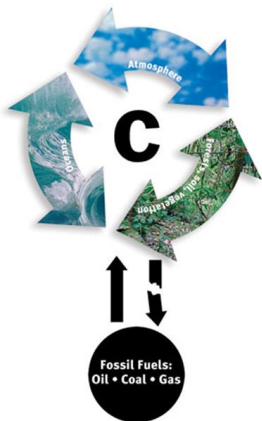


LCA (EPA)!



$$PMI = \frac{\text{total mass in a process or process step}}{\text{mass of product}}$$

1. Waste Prevention
2. Atom Economy
3. Less Hazardous Chemical Synthesis
4. Designing Safer Chemicals
5. Safer Solvents & Auxiliaries
6. Design for Energy Efficiency
7. Use of Renewable Feedstocks
8. Reduce Derivatives
9. Catalysts
10. Design for Degradation
11. Real-time pollution prevention
12. Safer Chemistry for Accident Prevention



Thank you for your attention!



Calendar

Date	Horaire	Lieu	Module	Nom module	Intervenant
January 9, 2024	17h30-19h	Henri Moissan amphi O. Kahn	Module 1	Introduction to SD in chemistry	L. SALMON (UPSay)
January 16, 2024	17h30-19h	UEVE Amphi Up	Module 2.1	ACV-Ecoconception	C. CANNIZZO (UEVE/CEA)
January 23, 2024	17h30-19h	UVSQ amphi Bertin	Module 2.2	ACV-principles and methodology	P. TARDIVEAU (UPSay)
January 30, 2024	17h30-19h	Henri Moissan amphi H. Daniel	Module 3	Chemical waste management and circular economy	S. HENRY-DAGUERRE (VEOLIA)
February 6, 2024	17h30-19h	UEVE amphi Up	Module 4	Renewable and bio-sourced chemistry	M.-C. SCHERRMANN (UPSay)
February 13, 2024	17h30-19h	UVSQ amphi Bertin	Module 5	Environmental regulations and chemical standards	M. BOIVIN (UPSay)
February 20, 2024	17h30-19h	Henri Moissan amphi O. Kahn	Module 6	Environmental performance assessment in chemistry	M.-C. SCHERRMANN (UPSay)