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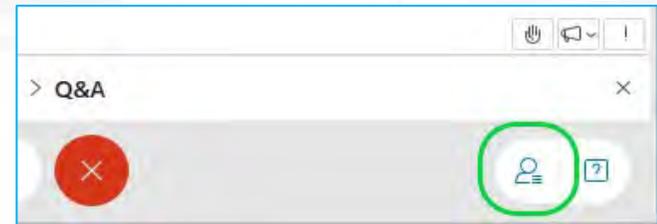
**Kickoff Webinar**  
**May 31, 2022**



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**Opening Remarks:**

***Doreen Harris***

***President & CEO, NYSERDA***



# Agenda:

- **Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) Introduction & Overview**
- **H<sub>2</sub> in NYS:**
  - Role of H<sub>2</sub> in the Climate Act
  - NYS Activities & Programs
- **Environmental & Climate Justice Considerations**
  - *10-Min. Break* —
- **H<sub>2</sub> Primer Sessions:**
  - Production Overview
  - Electrolyzers & Fuel Cells
  - Delivery & Storage
  - Safety Considerations
- **Ideation & Taking Stock**

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# Hydrogen Introduction & Overview

# Introduction to Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>)

## The What:

- **The most abundant (and simplest) element in the universe**
- **Energy carrier vs. energy source**
- **Unique characteristics: high energy density by weight, low energy density by volume**
- **A versatile tool in the decarbonization toolbox**



# Introduction to Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>)

The How:

## How:

*You produce it*

*You power its production*

*You use it*

- Despite its ubiquity on Earth, H<sub>2</sub> does not occur on its own
- Rather, it must be derived / separated from other compounds:



(Water)



(Ethanol)



(Methane)



(Octane)

- Once separated, H<sub>2</sub> is and can be utilized for a variety of applications / purposes

# Introduction to Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>)

## The Why:

- **H<sub>2</sub> is neither novel nor (relatively) niche:**
  - **U.S. currently produces ~10 million metric tons/year (nearly all fossil)**
  - **Primary uses today are for oil refining + industrial applications (ammonia, methanol, steel, chemical feedstock)**
- **Feasibility / availability of renewables**
- **Decarbonization & emissions reduction targets**
  - Numerous potential applications: low carbon fuel, feedstock, energy carrier
- **Excitement, interest, and caution at a variety of levels (local, state, federal, global)**

# Fireside Chat:

## Hydrogen Introduction & Overview

### Participant:

- **Michael Colvin, Environmental Defense Fund Director, Regulatory and Legislative Affairs**

### Relevant/Referenced Material:

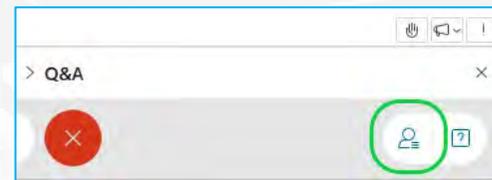
#### **EDF Studies/Reports:**

- **'Study: California can Reach a Decarbonized Electric Grid Affordably and Reliably by 2045'**
- **'Climate consequences of hydrogen leakage'**

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# Role of Hydrogen in the CLCPA

Key Findings from the Scoping Plan Integration Analysis

James Wilcox, NYSERDA

Kevin Steinberger, Energy and Environmental Economics (E3)

May 31, 2022



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# Contents

- > Overview of Climate Act, Scoping Plan, and Integration Analysis
- > Role of Hydrogen in New York Decarbonization Pathways
- > Hydrogen Production Methods
- > Impacts of Electrolysis on Electric Sector Loads and Resources
- > Hydrogen as Long Duration Storage

More information on the Climate Act can be found at <https://climate.ny.gov/>

For the full Integration Analysis, see the Climate Action Council Draft Scoping Plan Appendix G: *Integration Analysis Technical Supplement*  
<https://climate.ny.gov/Our-Climate-Act/Draft-Scoping-Plan>

# Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA, or Climate Act) – Overview

**Carbon neutral economy, mandating at least an 85% reduction in emissions below 1990 levels**

**40% reduction in emissions by 2030**

**100% zero-emissions electricity by 2040**

**70% renewable electricity by 2030**

**9,000 MW of offshore wind by 2035**

**6,000 MW of distributed solar by 2025**

**3,000 MW of energy storage by 2030**

**185 TBtu on-site energy savings by 2025**

**Commitments to climate justice and just transition**

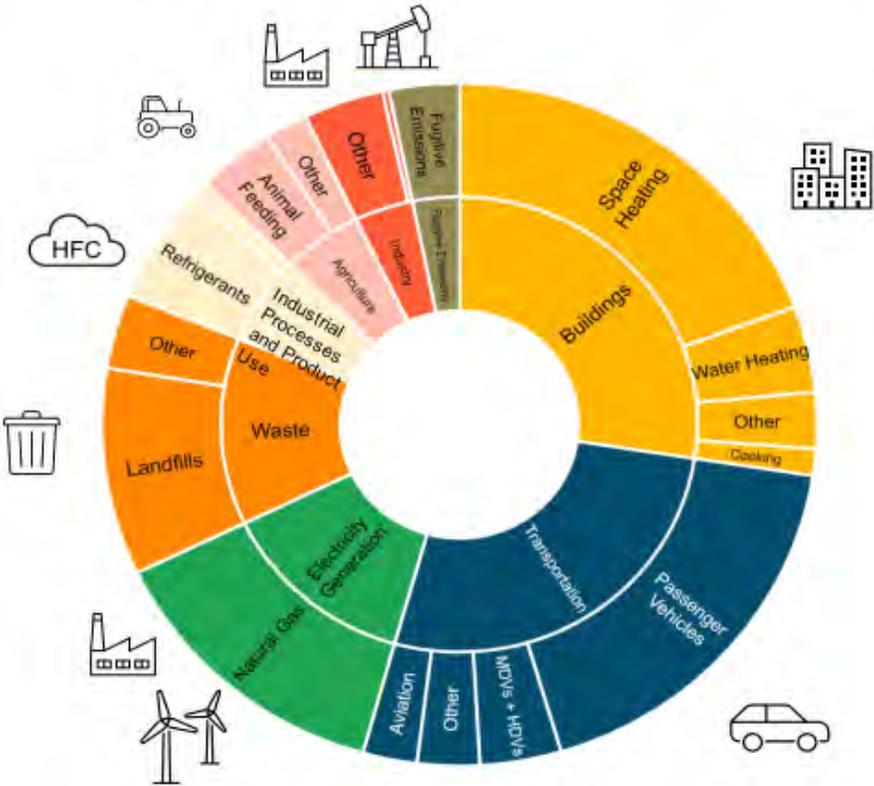
# Process for developing the Draft Scoping Plan

**The Climate Act requires the CAC to develop a draft Scoping Plan to meet statutory emission limits by the end of 2021**

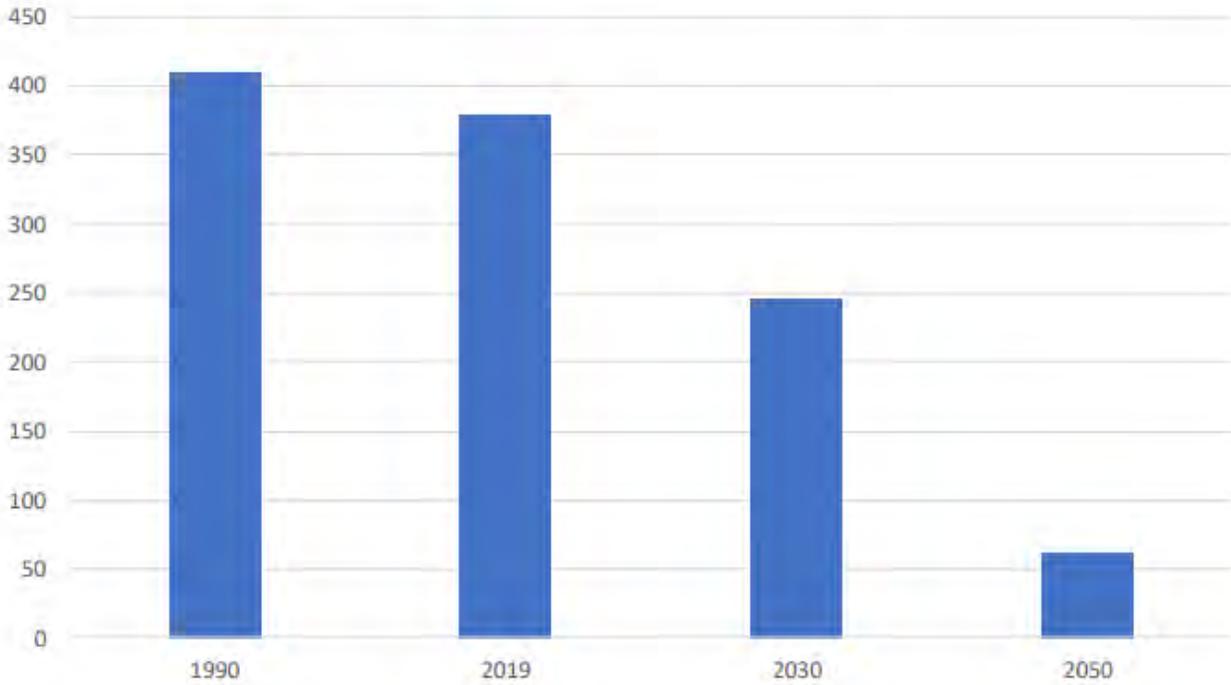
- > The Draft Plan is informed by recommendations of Advisory Panels, Just Transition Working Group, and Climate Justice Working Group
- > Reflects the consensus recommendations from the Advisory Panels and JTWG as the strategies to achieve the emissions limits
- > Considers climate justice, job creation, cost reductions, public health benefits, minimizing emission leakage
- > Emissions addressed include upstream emissions associated with fossil fuels from out-of-state
- > Undertakes comprehensive benefit-cost analysis
- > The recommendations formed basis of scenario modeling to show impact of interaction of strategies across sectors
  - 3 scenarios to achieve emissions limits – seeking public feedback on the mix of strategies and level of ambition

# GHG Emission Reduction Requirements

Current Estimated GHG Emissions by Sector



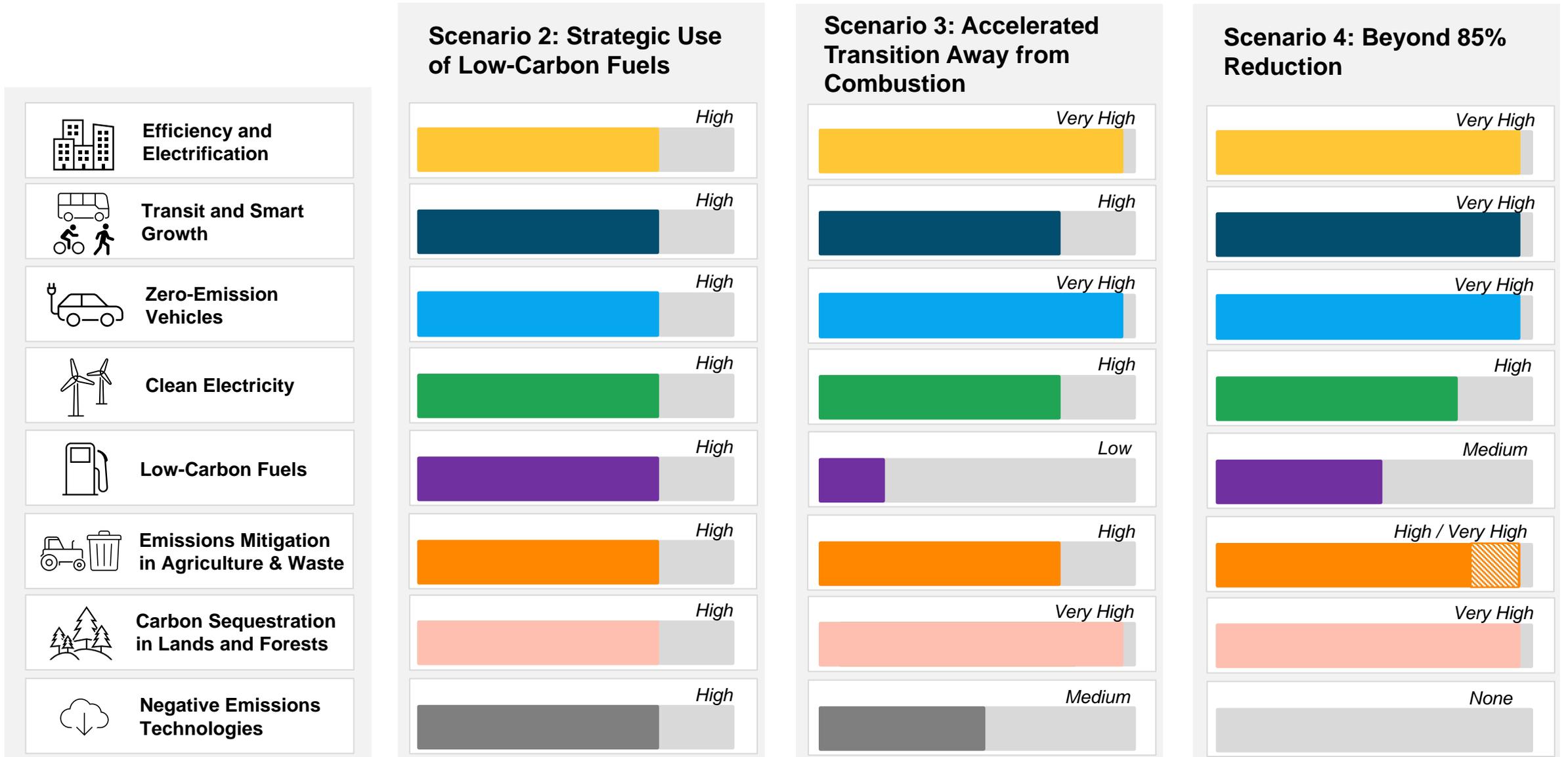
New York State GHG Emissions (MMtCO<sub>2</sub>e)



# Scenario Overview

- > **Integration Analysis assessed three mitigation scenarios that meet or exceed GHG emission limits, achieve carbon neutrality by midcentury**
  - Foundational themes across all mitigation scenarios based on findings from Advisory Panels and supporting analysis
    - Zero emission power sector by 2040
    - Enhancement and expansion of transit & vehicle miles traveled reduction
    - More rapid and widespread end-use electrification & efficiency
    - Higher methane mitigation in agriculture and waste
    - End-use electric load flexibility reflective of high customer engagement and advanced techs
  - **Scenario 2: Strategic Use of Low-Carbon Fuels**
    - Includes the use of bioenergy derived from biogenic waste, agriculture & forest residues, and limited purpose grown biomass, as well as green hydrogen, for difficult to electrify applications
  - **Scenario 3: Accelerated Transition Away from Combustion**
    - Low-to-no bioenergy and hydrogen combustion; Accelerated electrification of buildings and transportation
  - **Scenario 4: Beyond 85% Reduction**
    - Accelerated electrification + limited low-carbon fuels; Additional VMT reductions; Additional innovation in methane abatement; Avoids direct air capture of CO<sub>2</sub>

# Level of Transformation by Mitigation Scenario

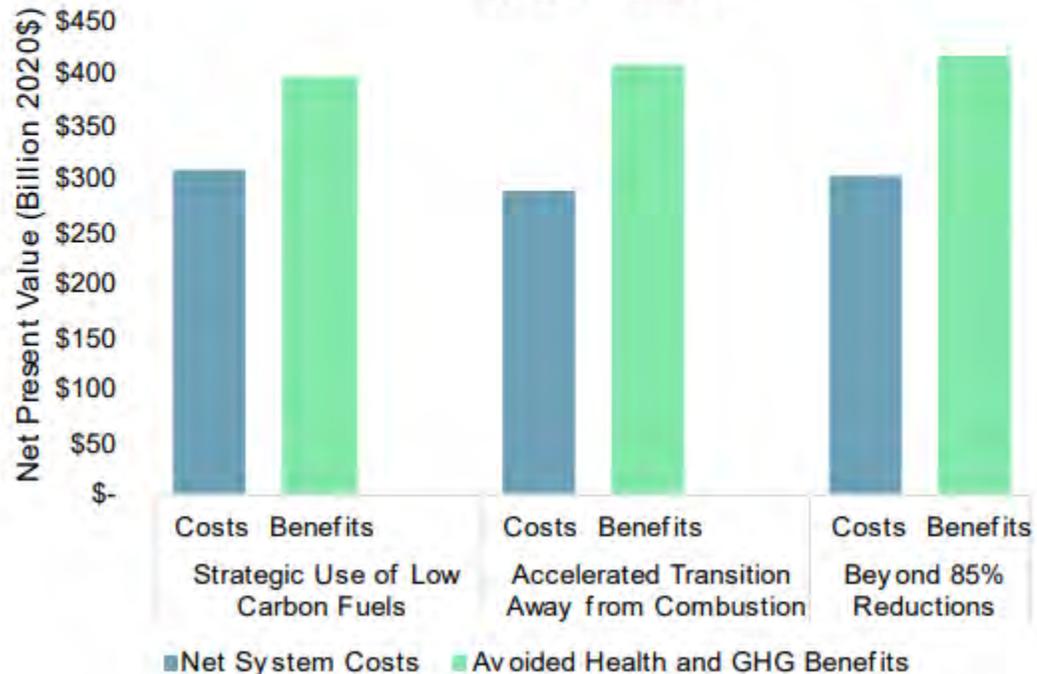


# Key Benefit-Cost Findings

## Cost of Inaction Exceeds the Cost of Action by more than \$90 billion

There are significant required investments to achieve Climate Act GHG Emissions Limits, accompanied by even greater external benefits and the opportunity to create hundreds of thousands of jobs

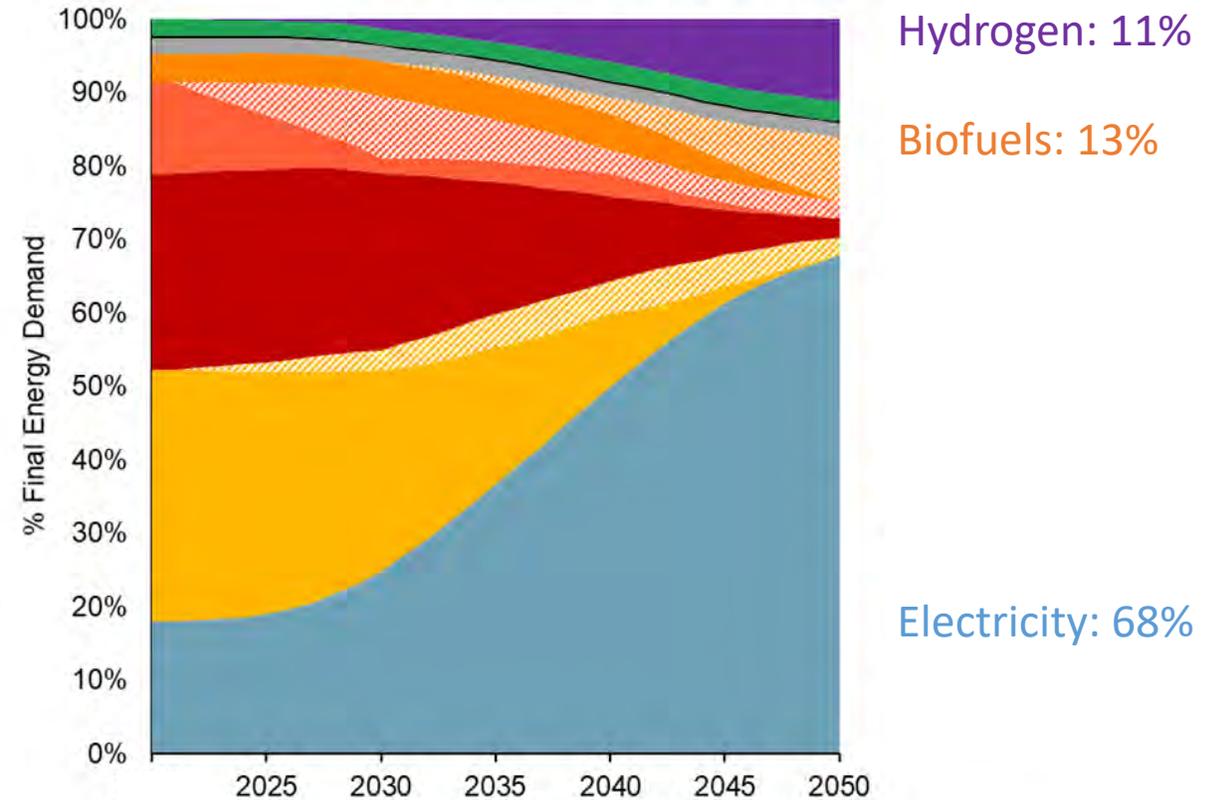
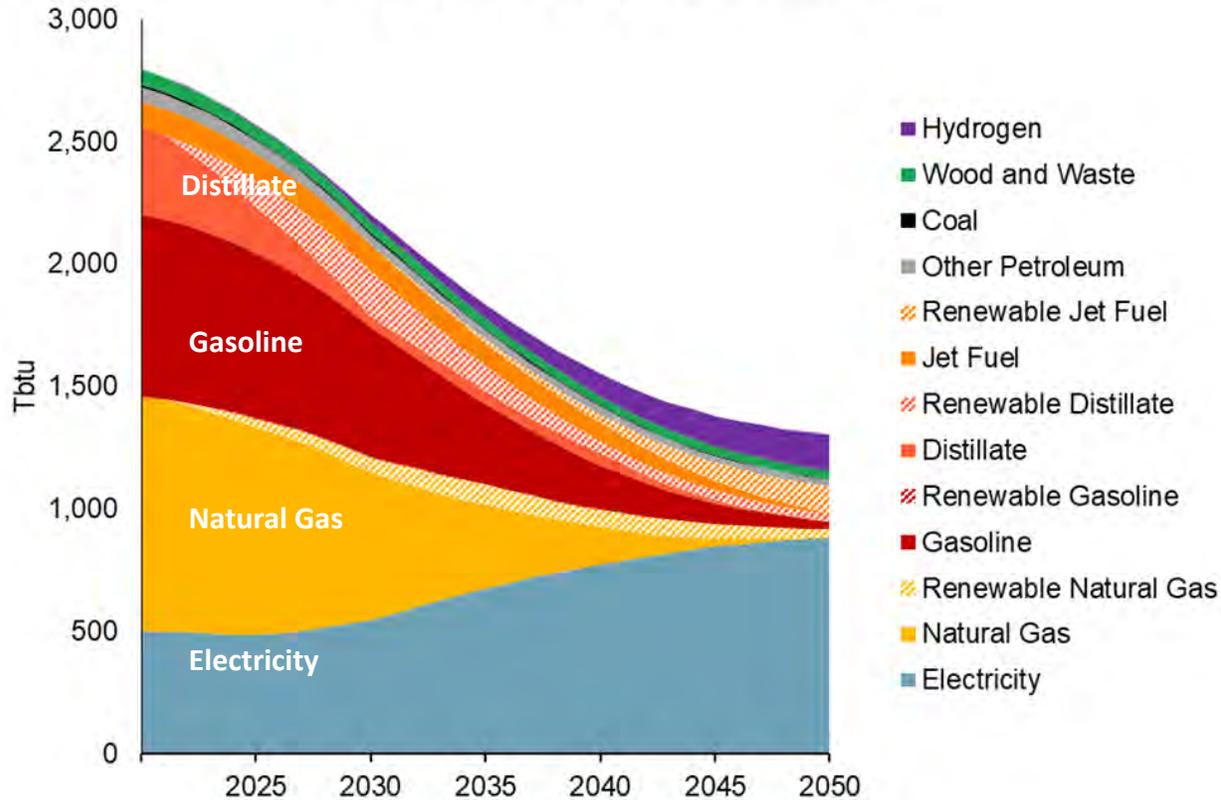
2020 - 2050



- **Net benefits range from \$90-\$120 billion**
- Costs are a small share of **New York's economy**: 0.6-0.7% of GSP in 2030 and 1.4% in 2050
- As a share of current overall **system expenditures**, costs are moderate: 9-11% in 2030 and 25-26% in 2050

# Total Energy by Fuel

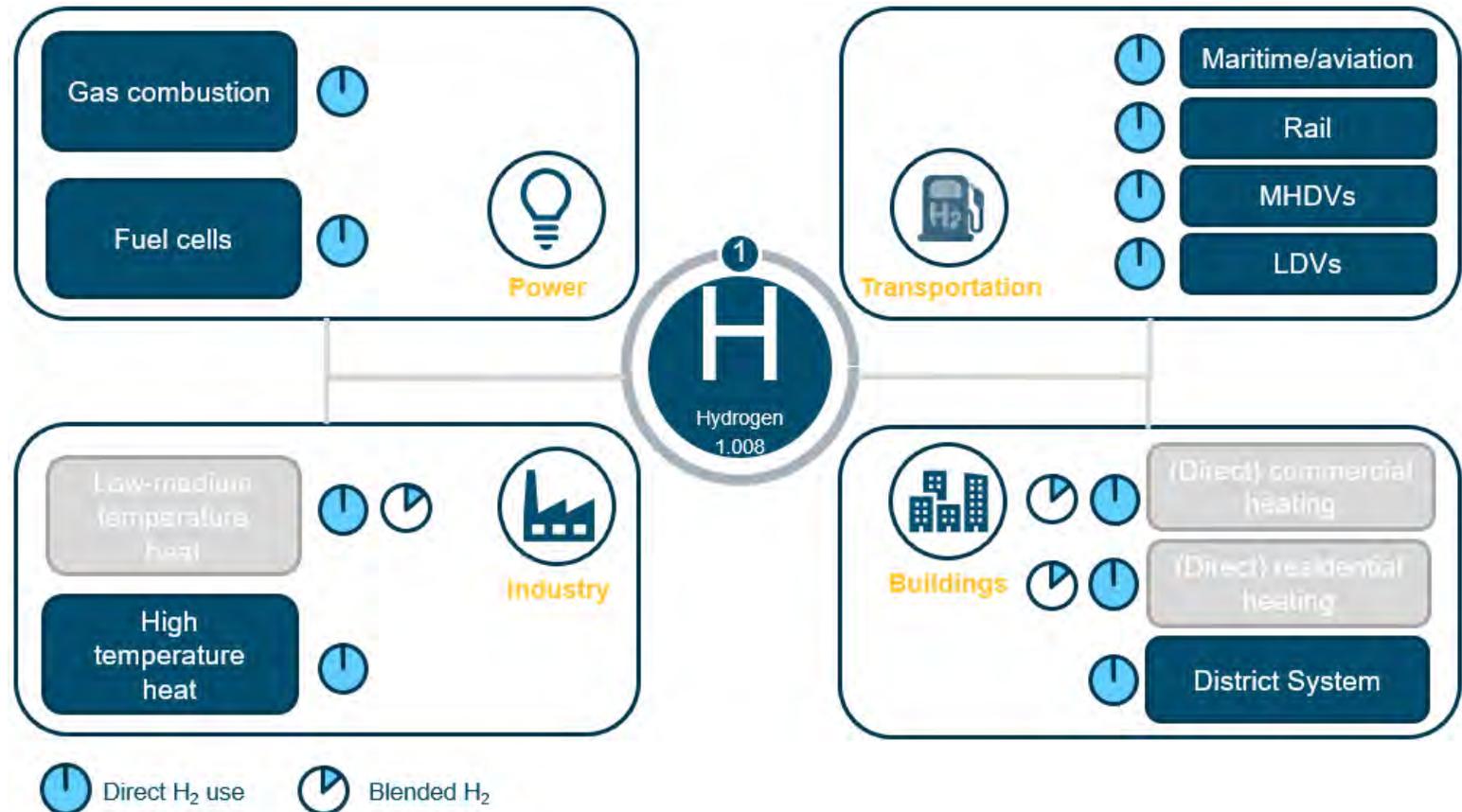
## Scenario 2: Strategic Use of Low-Carbon Fuels



*Includes energy use from transportation, industrial, commercial, and residential sectors. 2020 is a modelled year, reflecting historical trends*

# Role of Hydrogen in the Integration Analysis

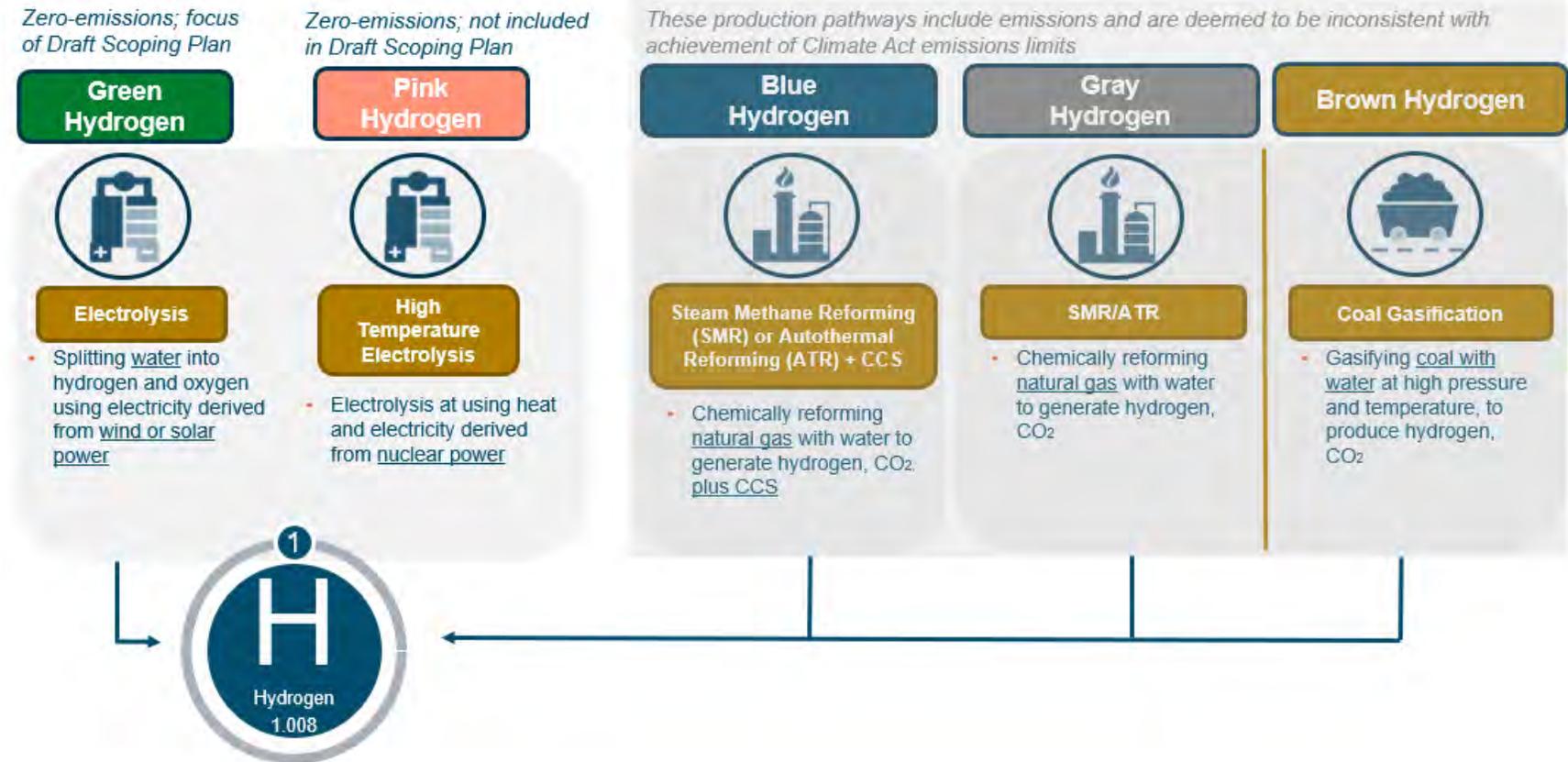
- Hydrogen can play critical role in decarbonizing hard-to-electrify applications
- In near-term, NY may need to spur initial adoption of hydrogen to help decarbonize:
  - Medium and heavy-duty vehicles
  - High-temperature industrial applications
- In longer term, low-carbon fuels may support decarbonization of:
  - District heating systems
  - Non-road transportation
  - Power generation



# Overview of Hydrogen Production Methods

## Applicability in Climate Act

- > Focus of Draft Scoping Plan was on zero-emissions hydrogen to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050

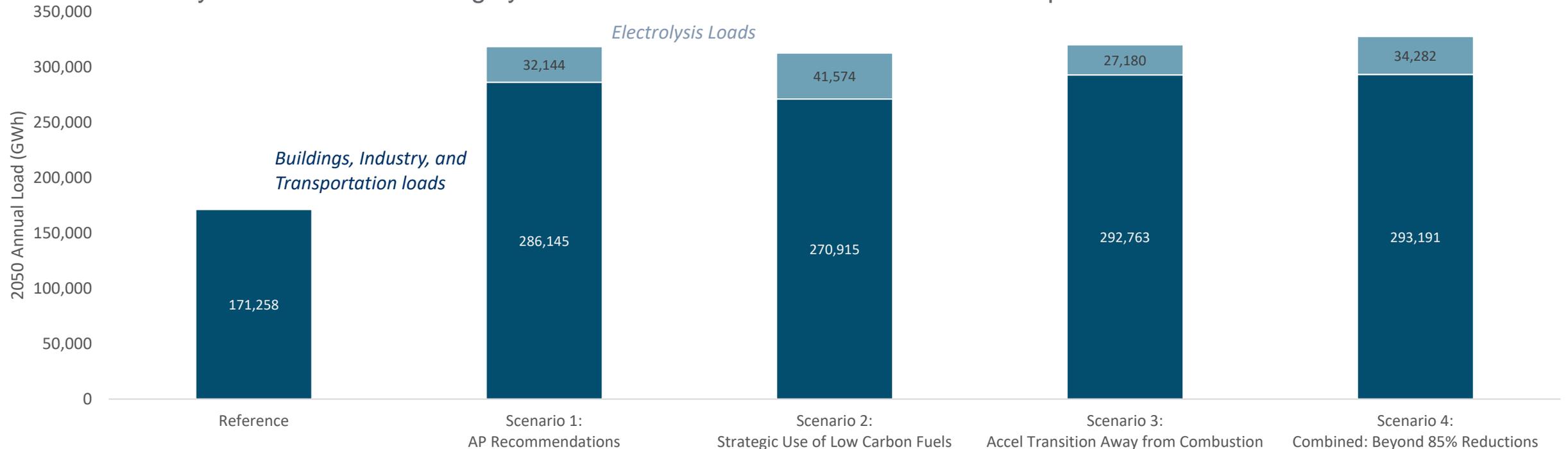


Note: Hydrogen is colorless and odorless at standard conditions; these color codes are just shorthand for production pathway

# Annual Loads

## Impacts of Electrolysis Loads by 2050

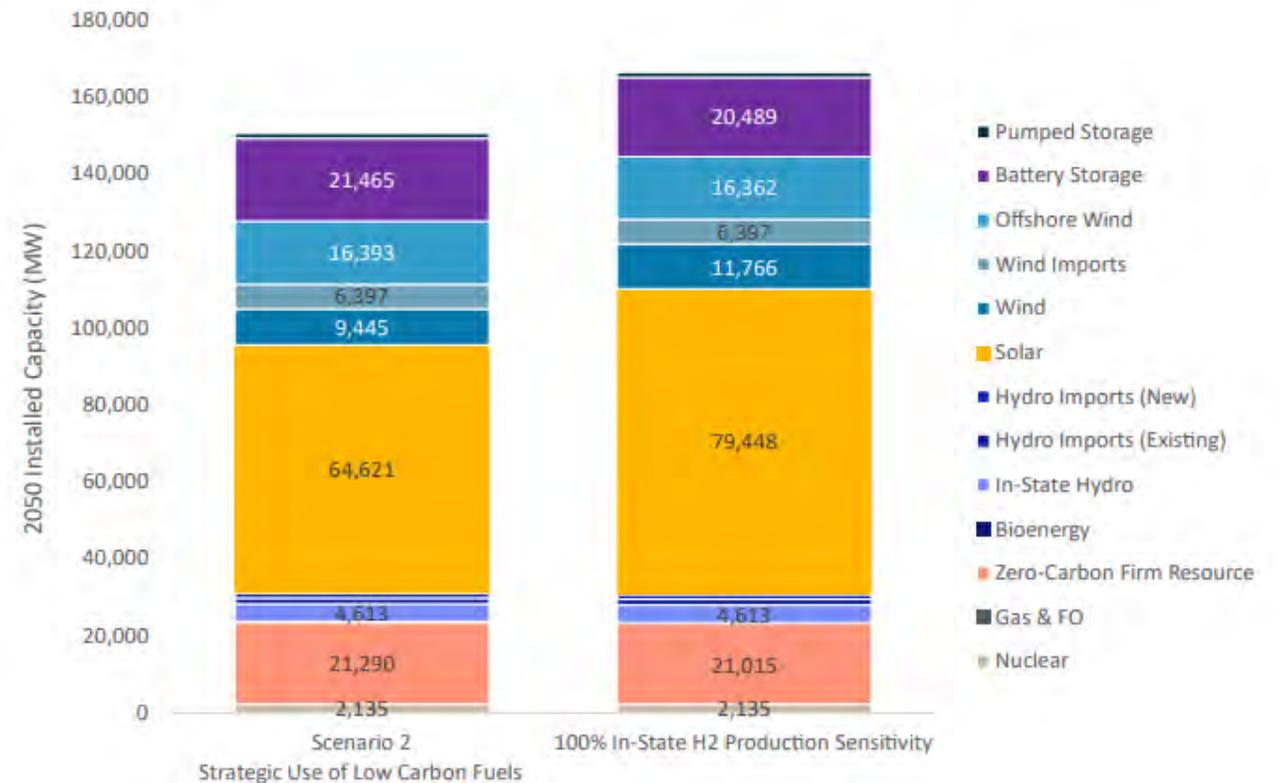
- > Analysis assumes that 50% of New York's hydrogen demand must be supplied with in-state electrolysis loads
  - 100% supply of H2 with in-state electrolysis loads explored as an additional sensitivity analysis, which more than doubles electrolysis demand by 2050
- > Electrolysis loads are significant contributor to total loads by 2050 across all Mitigation scenarios (27-42 TWh)
- > Electrolysis is modeled as a highly flexible end use that does not contribute to peak loads



Note: this slide has been updated to reflect a minor update to load forecasts in Scenarios 3 and 4.

# Impacts of Electrolysis on Resource Builds

- > Electrolysis loads are modeled as highly flexible and can absorb renewable curtailment, but additional dedicated renewable resources are also needed at this scale
- > Sensitivity examined impacts of producing 100% of New York's hydrogen demand with in-state renewables
- > Required 14.6 GW of new solar resources and 2.3 GW of new land-based wind resources



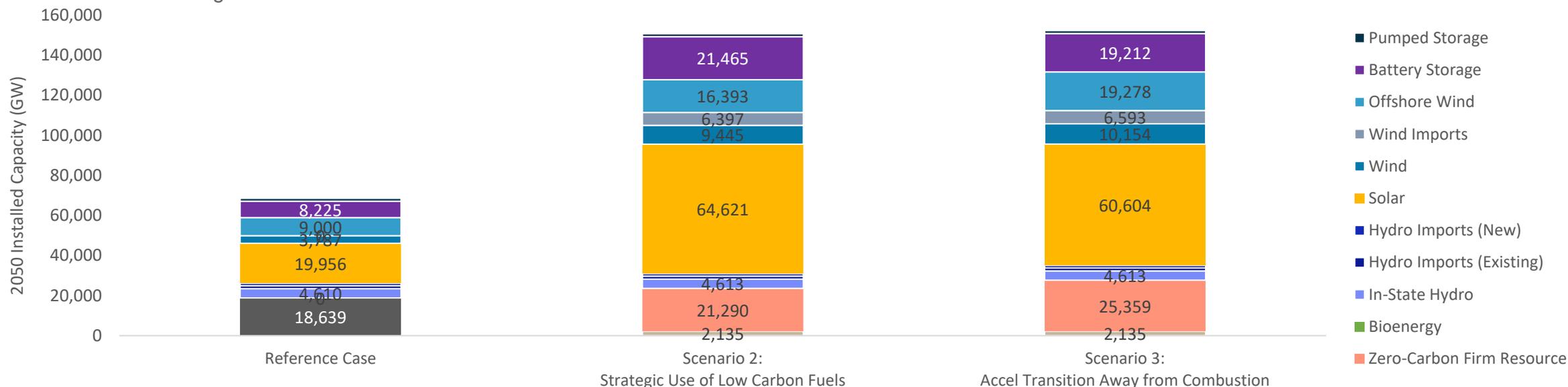
# Hydrogen as Long Duration Storage Medium



# Electricity Generation

## Comparison of 2050 Installed Capacity

- > In these Scenarios, firm capacity is provided by hydrogen resources to meet multi-day reliability needs, ranging from 21-25 GW
- > Significant expansion of foundational resources (wind, solar, and storage) is needed across scenarios
  - Offshore wind: 16-19 GW
  - Land based wind: 16-17 GW
  - Solar: 61-65 GW
  - Storage: 19-21 GW



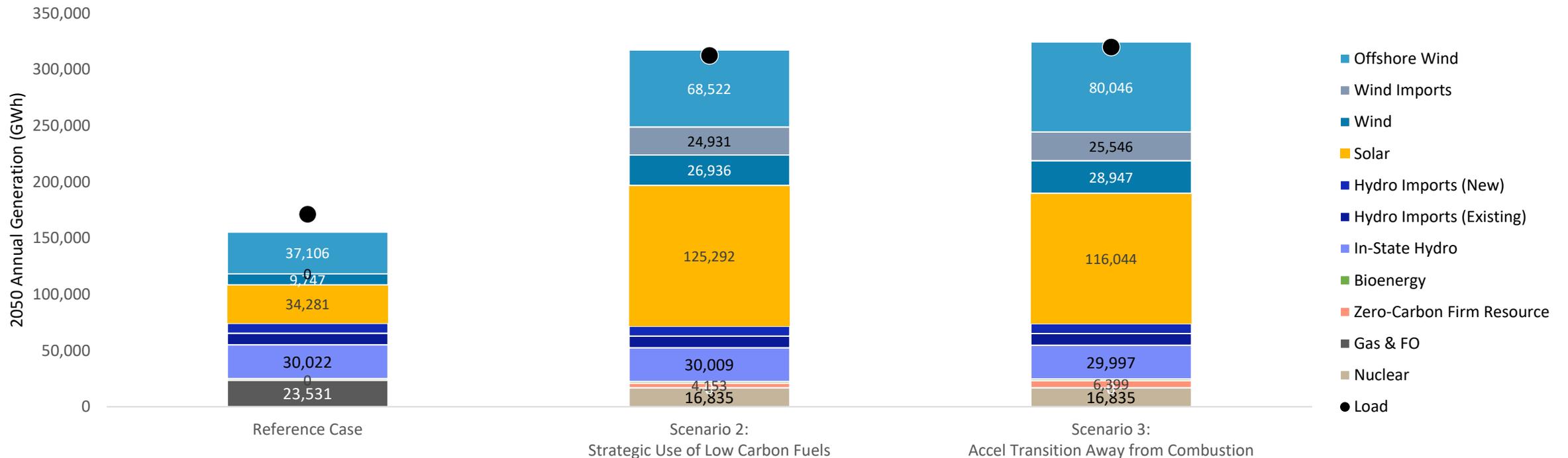
Note: In Scenario 3, existing fossil fuel resources are retired by 2040 and no new combustion-based (CCGT or CT) capacity is permitted. New firm capacity is provided by a combustion-free resource (e.g. hydrogen fuel cells).

# Electricity Generation

## Comparison of 2050 Annual Generation

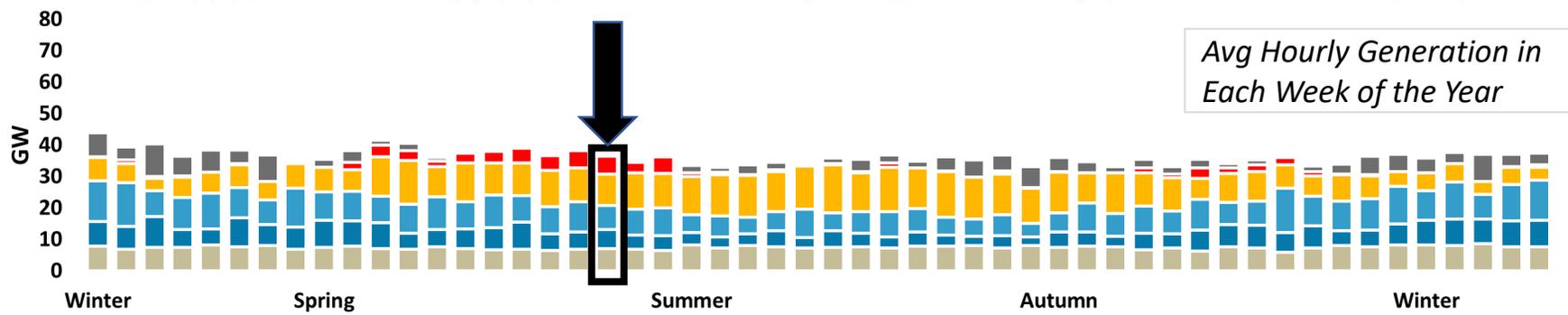
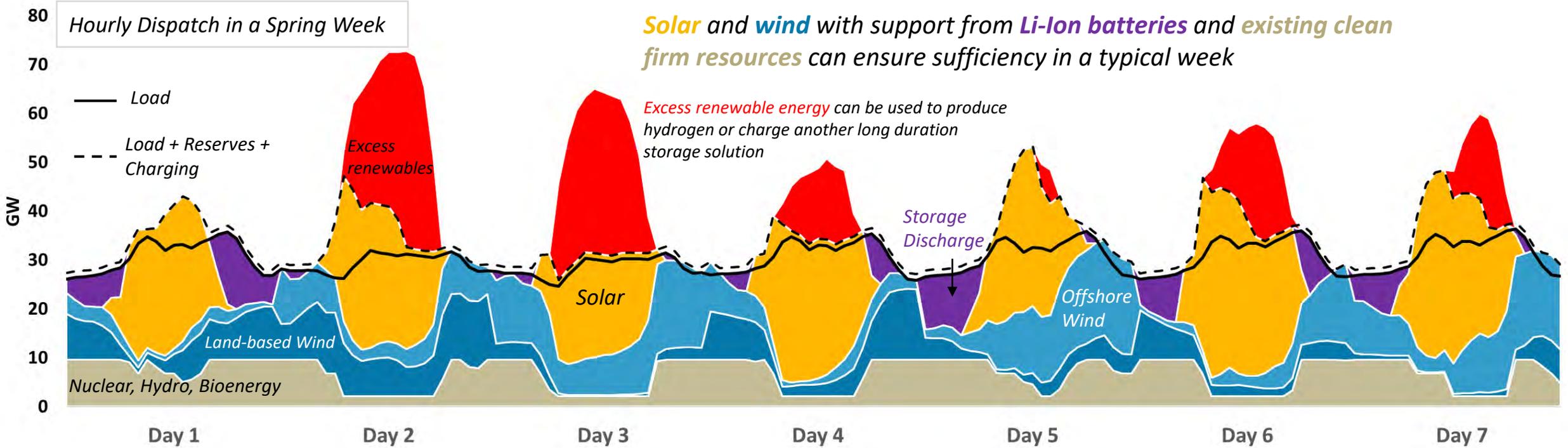


- > Share of annual generation across mitigation scenarios:
  - Solar: 36-40%
  - Wind: 39-42%
  - Zero-carbon firm resource: 1-2%



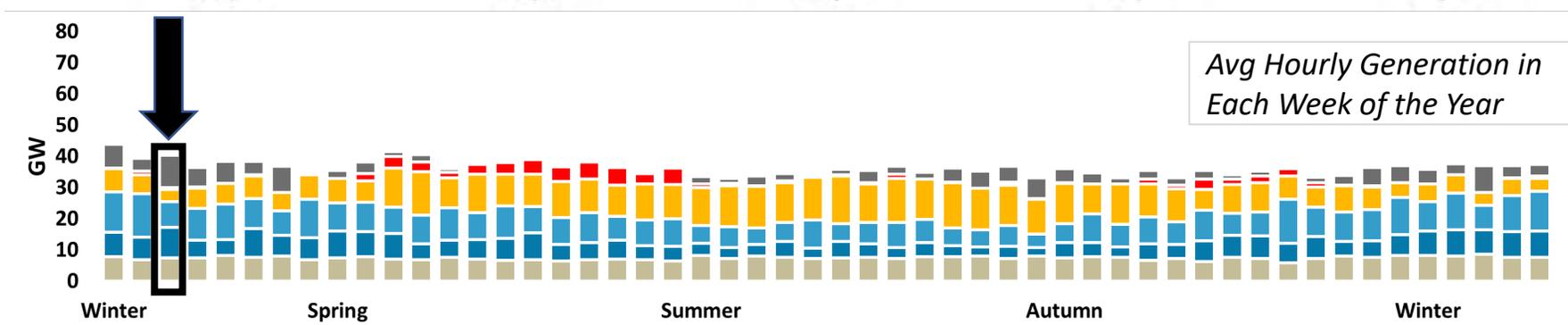
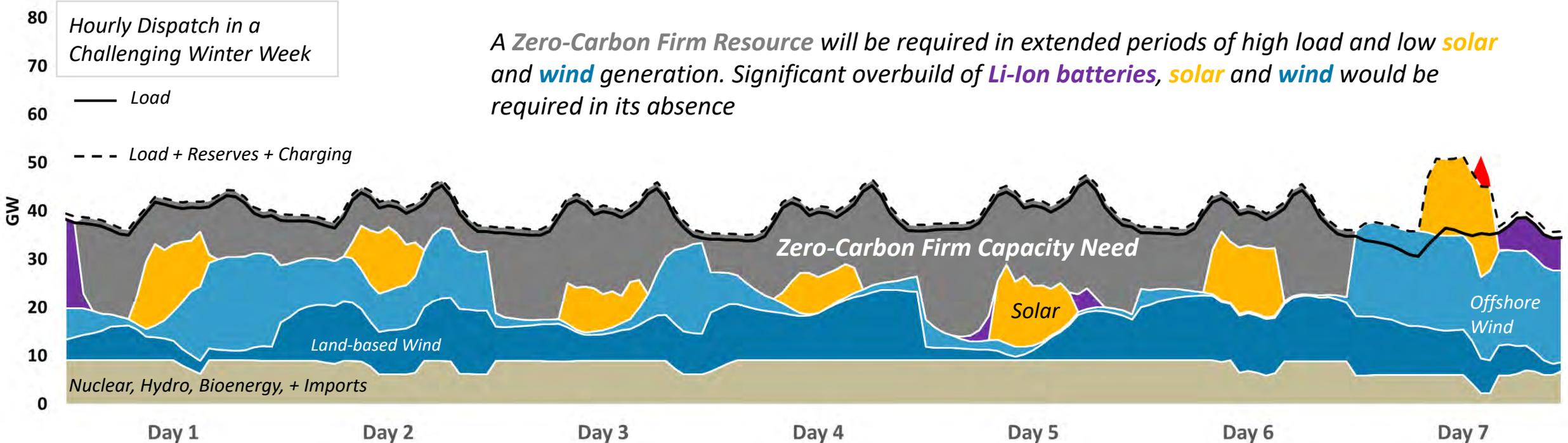
# Typical Spring Week in 2050

## Scenario 3



# Multi-Day Reliability Needs in 2050

## Scenario 3



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# Hydrogen in NYS: Activities & Programs

# NYS H<sub>2</sub> Planning Activities



## Hydrogen Opportunity and Strategy Study

- ❑ Compile foundational and baseline information and data
- ❑ Evaluate production & end-use opportunities for clean hydrogen



## H<sub>2</sub> Policy Options Analysis

- ❑ Catalogue and evaluate hydrogen policy and incentive options
- ❑ Analyze potential impacts, pros/cons to inform decision making



## H<sub>2</sub> Economic Development & Supply Chain Analysis

- ❑ Market analysis examining potential economic opportunities and impacts
- ❑ Assess applications and workforce requirements across H<sub>2</sub> value chain



## Center for Hydrogen Safety

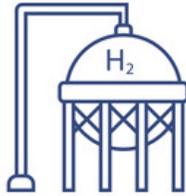
- ❑ Enables access to an expert Hydrogen Safety Panel for safety review
- ❑ Provides access to information and best practices on hydrogen safety



## HyBlend Collaborative

- ❑ Identifying principles of operation of blended hydrogen/natural gas delivery system
- ❑ Evaluating the use of existing natural gas infrastructure for hydrogen

# NYS H<sub>2</sub> Planning Activities (cont.)



## Long Duration Energy Storage

- ❑ Encourage product development & demonstration projects targeting 6+ hours of storage
- ❑ Applicable technologies include hydrogen, mechanical, thermal, and others



## MOU with Danish Ministry

- ❑ Collaborate and exchange information on decarbonization solutions
- ❑ Focus on carbon capture, utilization, storage & green hydrogen



## Stakeholder Engagement & Education

- ❑ Looking to engage with and understand perspectives from across the stakeholder landscape
- ❑ Aim to provide programming & forums that are relevant and responsive to stakeholder priorities, interests, and concerns

# NYS H<sub>2</sub> Planning Activities (cont.)

- **Governor Hochul's 2022 State of the State signaled a commitment to bolstering clean hydrogen in NYS, including:**
  - Intention to **compete for ~\$10 billion in federal funding for hydrogen**, including \$8 billion for hydrogen hubs.
  - Development of a **hydrogen regulatory framework** to measure emissions reduction and health benefits, as well as development of **codes and standards**.
  - Focus on **clean hydrogen fuel cell microgrids**, aiming to replace fossil fuel backup systems
  - Deployment of \$27 million in **Hydrogen Innovation funding** through competitive solicitations
  - Development of a proposal for a clean hydrogen demonstration focused on **district heating & cooling**
  - Support **industry collaboration** and clean hydrogen **firm expansion** in NYS

# Federal Funding Opportunities for H<sub>2</sub>:

## **Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act allocated \$9.5 billion for hydrogen-related activities and infrastructure development:**

### **\$8B for at least 4 regional clean hydrogen hubs**

- 5 years: 2022-2026
- Program purpose: Develop regional/federal networks of connected hydrogen producers, consumers, and connective infrastructure; focus on building a diverse portfolio in terms of energy sources, applications, and regionality

### **\$1B for electrolysis RD&D**

- 5 years: 2022-2026
- Program purpose: to improve the efficiency, increase the durability, and reduce the cost of producing clean hydrogen using electrolyzers.

### **\$500M for clean hydrogen process manufacturing & recycling R&D**

- 5 years: 2022-2026
- Program purpose: to increase the reuse and recycling of clean hydrogen technologies.

# NYS H<sub>2</sub> Planning Activities

**In late-March, Governor Hochul announced a multi-state agreement to develop a proposal for a Northeast Regional Hydrogen Hub, noting:**

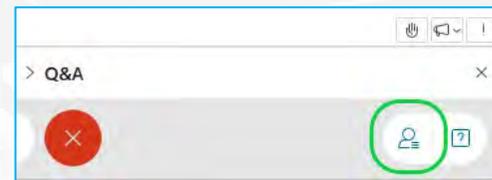
- Collaboration with New Jersey, Connecticut, and Massachusetts
- 40+ early-stage partners from across the hydrogen ecosystem

**As of late-May, the Hydrogen Hubs funding opportunity remains outstanding, and is expected to be shared in late-Summer/early-Fall!**

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# **Climate & Environmental Justice Considerations**

# Fireside Chat:

## Climate & Environmental Justice Considerations

### Participants:

- **Josh Berman, Sierra Club**  
**Senior Attorney, Environmental Law Program**
- **Meagan Burton, Earthjustice**  
**Senior Attorney**

### Relevant/Referenced Material:

- **Earthjustice Report: “Reclaiming Hydrogen for a Renewable Future”**
- **Sierra Club: Hydrogen: Future of Clean Energy or a False Solution?**

# **10-Minute Break!**

***Returning at ~11:05 AM for:***

***Primer Session:  
Hydrogen Production Overview***



# Hydrogen Production Overview

Mark Ruth

May 31, 2022

# Overview

**Hydrogen Background**

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**Hydrogen in the United States**

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**H2@Scale**

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**Hydrogen Production Technologies and Carbon Intensities**

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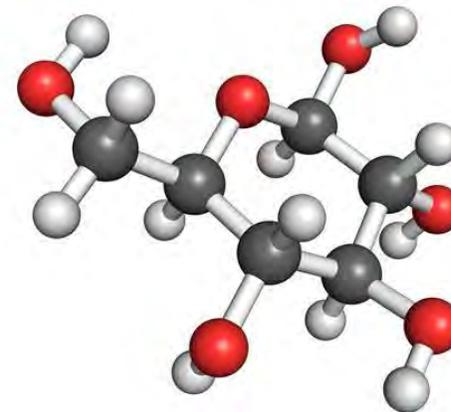
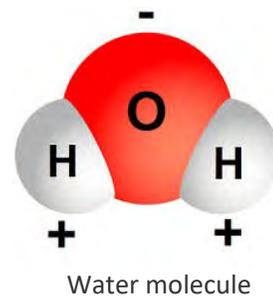
**Department of Energy Targets and Funding**

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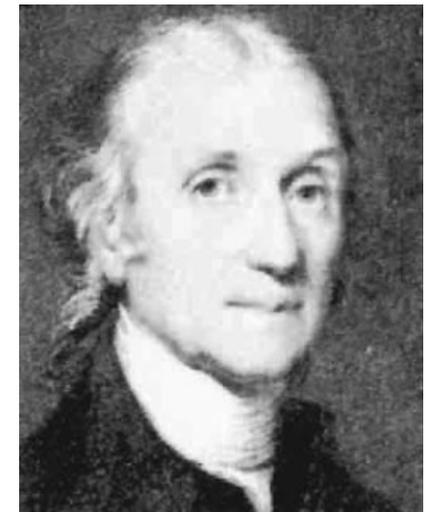
# Hydrogen Background

- Hydrogen is the smallest and simplest element (atomic number 1 and atomic weight 1.00794)
- Hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe ( $\approx 75\%$  of normal matter)
- Hydrogen fusion is the dominant process that generates energy in stars
- On earth, hydrogen atoms are almost all contained in more complex molecules
- Robert Boyle produced hydrogen gas in 1671 (experimenting with iron and acids) but no one realized that it was a distinct element before 1766 (Henry Cavendish)
- Like electricity, hydrogen is an energy carrier
- Michael Faraday discovered electrolysis in 1800 and Sir William Robert Grove is credited with creating the first hydrogen fuel cell a few years later
- Jules Verne imagined a hydrogen future in *The Mysterious Island*

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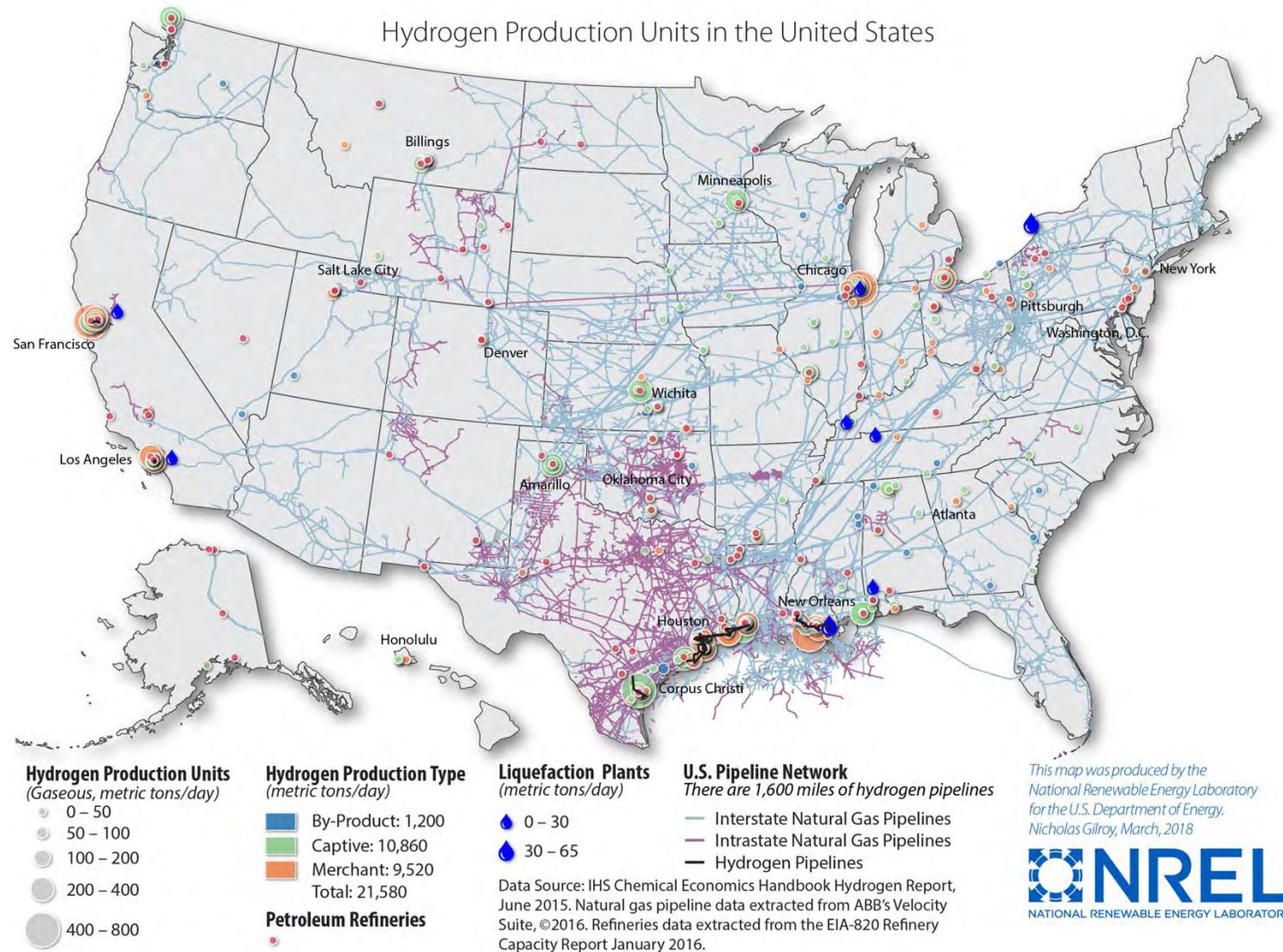
Glucose molecule



Henry Cavendish

# Current Hydrogen Energy in the U.S.

- $\approx 10$  MMT  $H_2$ /yr primarily for oil refining and ammonia production
- Almost all the hydrogen is produced by reforming natural gas which requires about 2 quad natural gas annually:  $\approx 2\%$  of total energy use
- The U.S. has  $\approx 1600$  miles of hydrogen pipelines including  $\approx 40$  miles in the L.A. Basin



# Recent Increased Interest in Hydrogen: Global Drivers

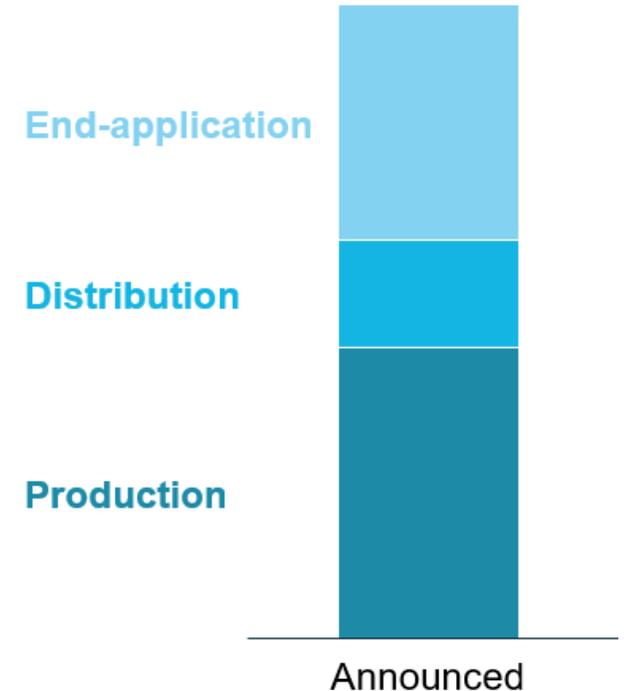
✓ **Low-cost renewables** are now available

✓ **Countries see clean H<sub>2</sub> can help meet climate goals**

- Hard to decarbonize sectors
- Energy storage
- Import/export opportunities

**200-fold electrolyzer growth by 2030**  
**Over 40 GW planned**

**\$80B Global Government Funding. 6X More with Private Sector through 2025**

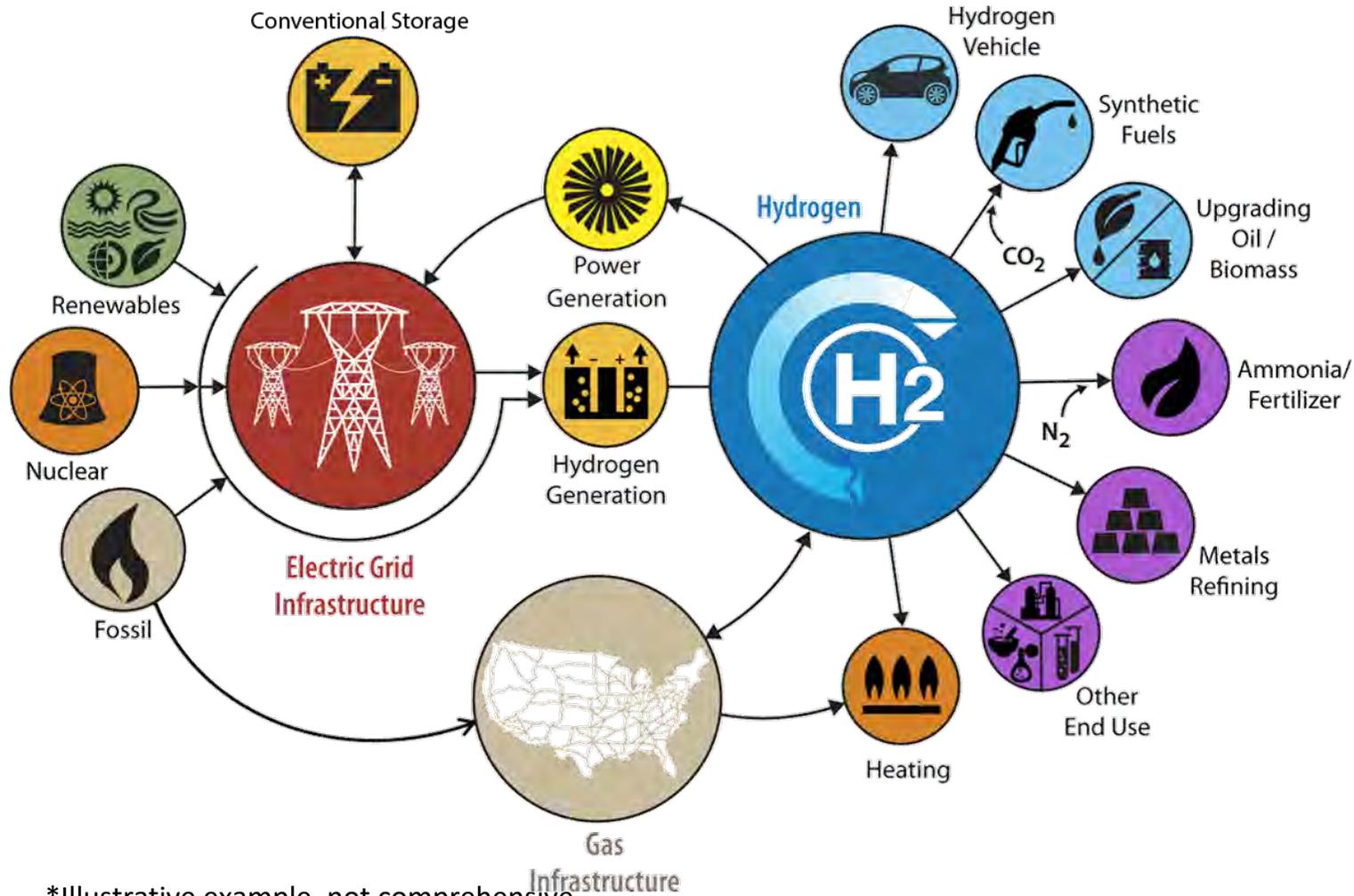


1. For projects without known deployment timeline capacity additions were interpolated between known milestones  
Source: McKinsey Hydrogen Project database

Source: McKinsey, H2 Council, Spring 2021  
(From Sunita Satyapal, HFTO)

**Studies show potential for 10 to 25% global GHG reduction using clean hydrogen. \$2.5T Revenue. 30M Jobs.**

# H2@Scale and Hydrogen's Potential



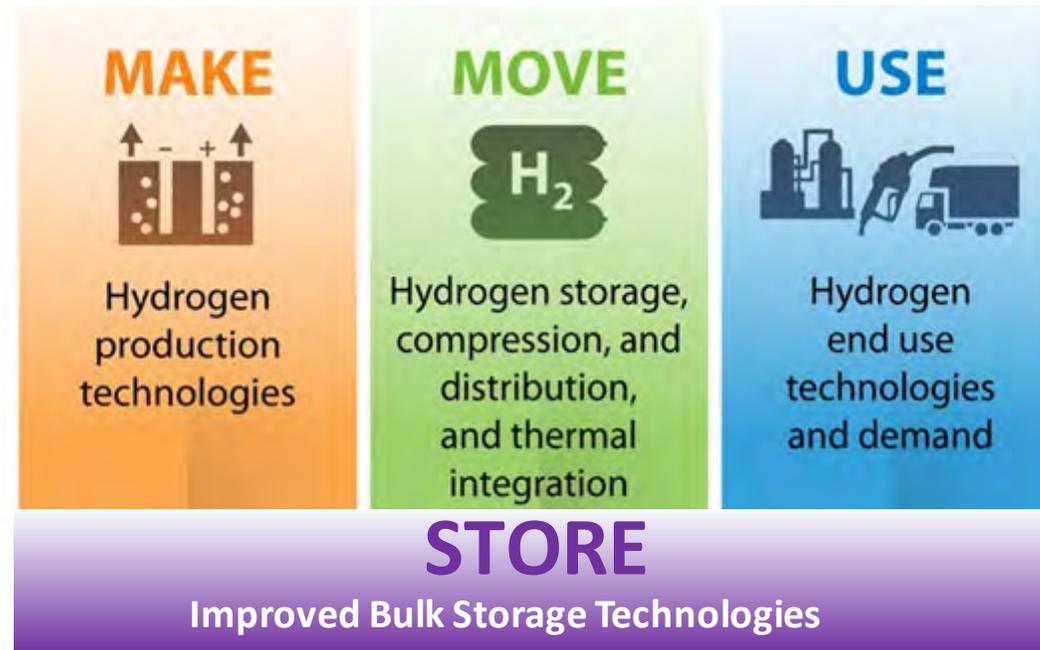
Current DOE focus is moving to hydrogen as an energy carrier and in additional chemical operations

\*Illustrative example, not comprehensive

# DOE is Investing in RD&D Across the Hydrogen Supply Chain

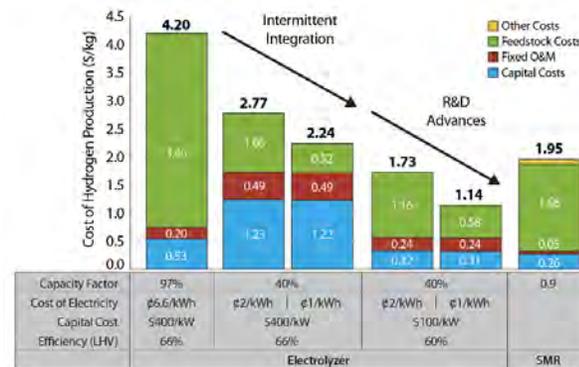
DOE is focused on developing technologies to make, move, use, and store hydrogen and cost-sharing deployment of systems that integrate the four areas.

Early-stage research is required to evolve and de-risk the technologies

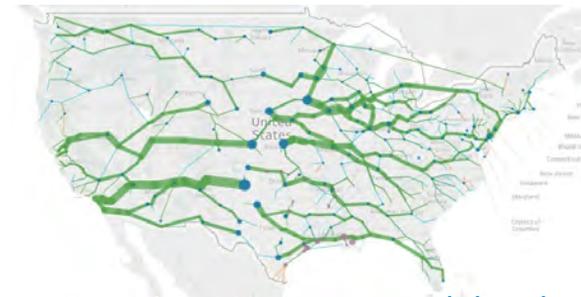


Preliminary

Use	Potential MMT/yr
Refineries & CPI	8
Metals	6
Ammonia	5
Methanol	1
Biofuels	1
Natural Gas	7
Light Duty Vehicles	28
Other Transport	3
Electricity Storage	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>87</b>



Decreasing cost of H<sub>2</sub> production

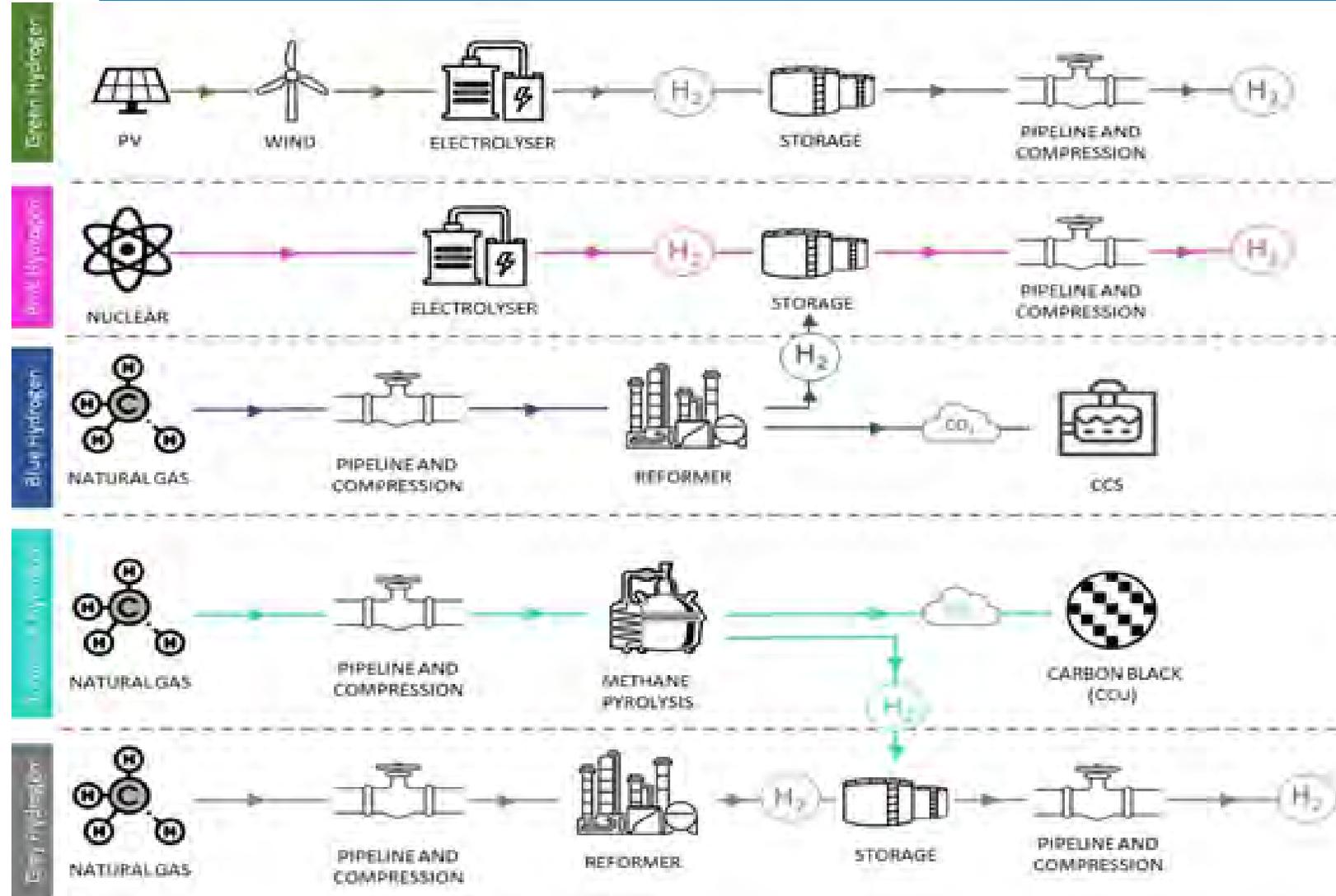


Optimizing H<sub>2</sub> storage and distribution

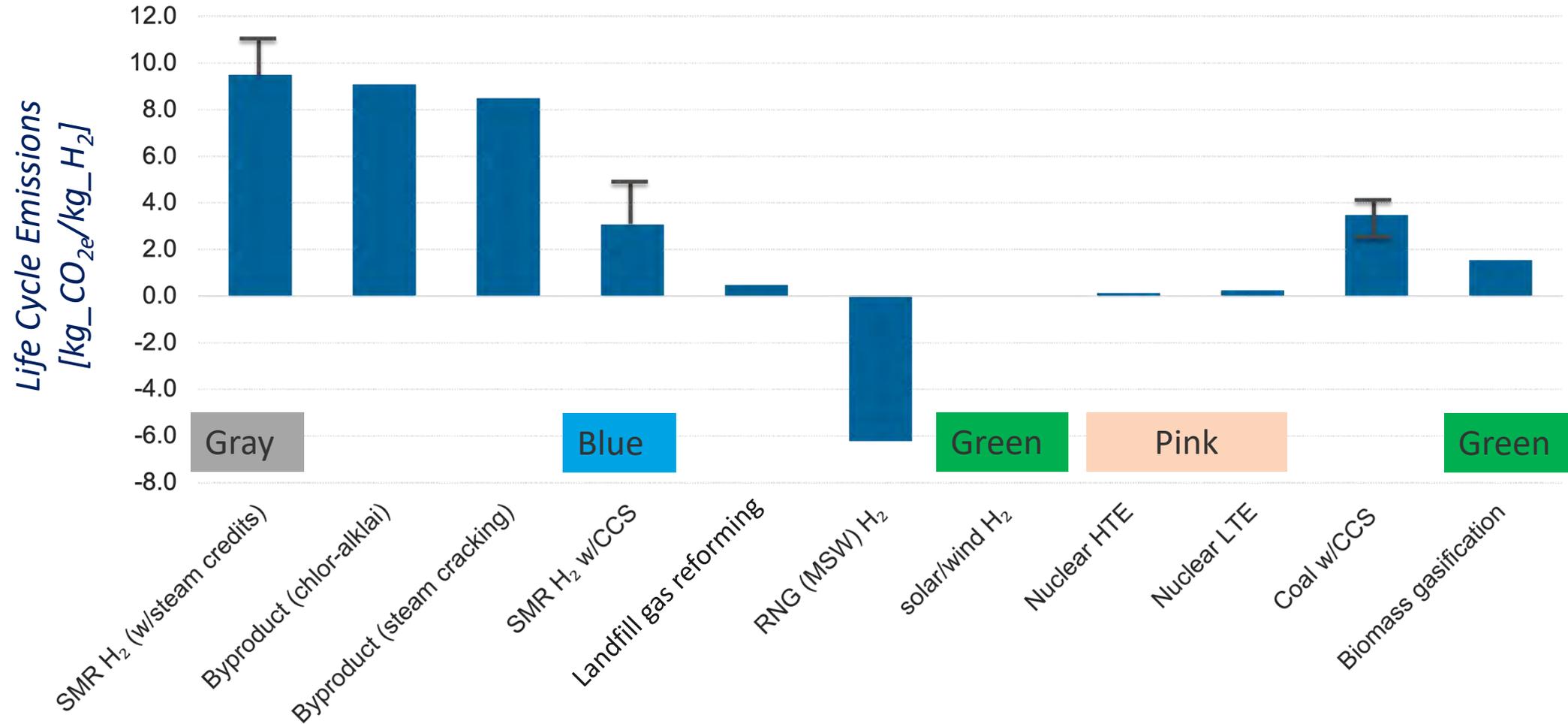
Leveraging of national laboratories' early-stage R&D capabilities needed to develop affordable technologies for production, delivery, and end use applications.

# Hydrogen Production Technologies

A number of alternative hydrogen production technologies are being developed.



# DOE Uses Carbon Intensity Instead of Colors to Discuss Environmental Impacts



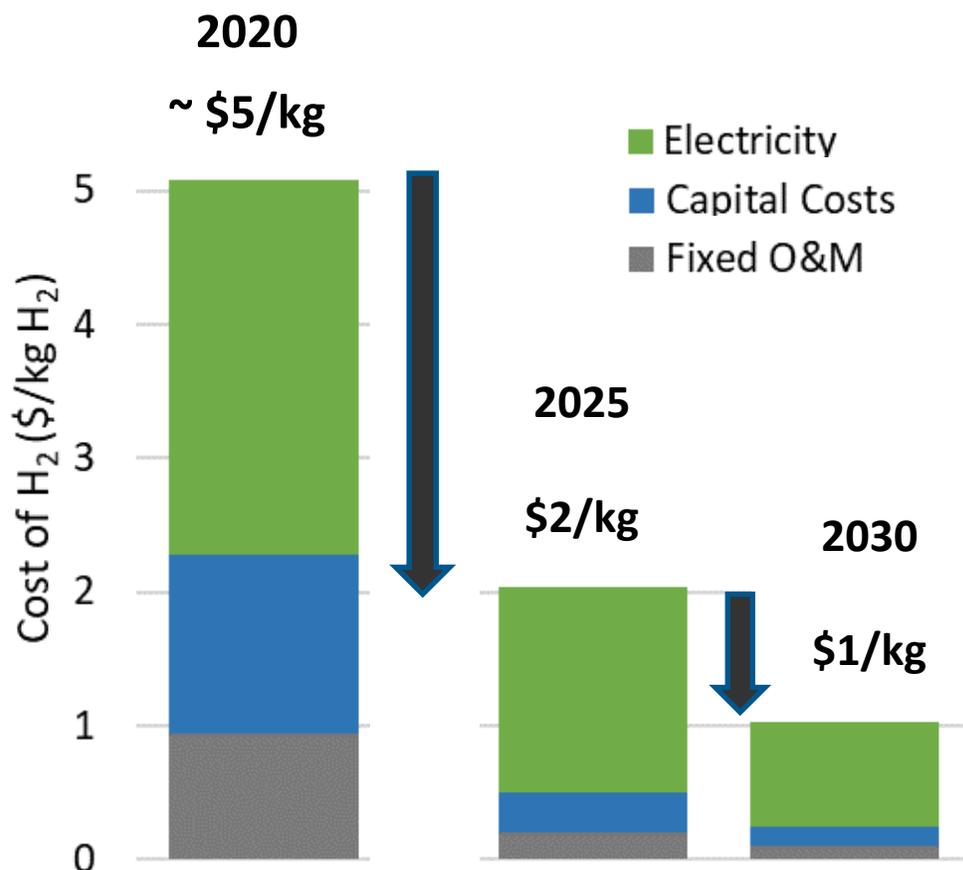
Ranges shown reflect potential variability in upstream methane leak rates, plant energy efficiency, and CO<sub>2</sub> capture rates. Baseline assumes 90% capture rate

# Hydrogen Shot: “1 1 1”

## \$1 for 1 kg in 1 decade for clean hydrogen

Launched June 7, 2021  
Summit Aug 31-Sept 1, 2021

### Example: Cost of Clean H<sub>2</sub> from Electrolysis



2020 Baseline: PEM low volume capital cost ~\$1,500/kW, electricity at \$50/MWh. Need less than \$300/kW by 2025, less than \$150/kW by 2030 (at scale)

(Adapted from multiple briefing slides from Sunita Satyapal, DOE’s HFTO)

### Electrolysis: One of several pathways to reach goals

- Reduce electricity cost from >\$50/MWh to
  - \$30/MWh (2025)
  - \$20/MWh (2030)
- Reduce capital cost >80%
- Reduce operating & maintenance cost >90%

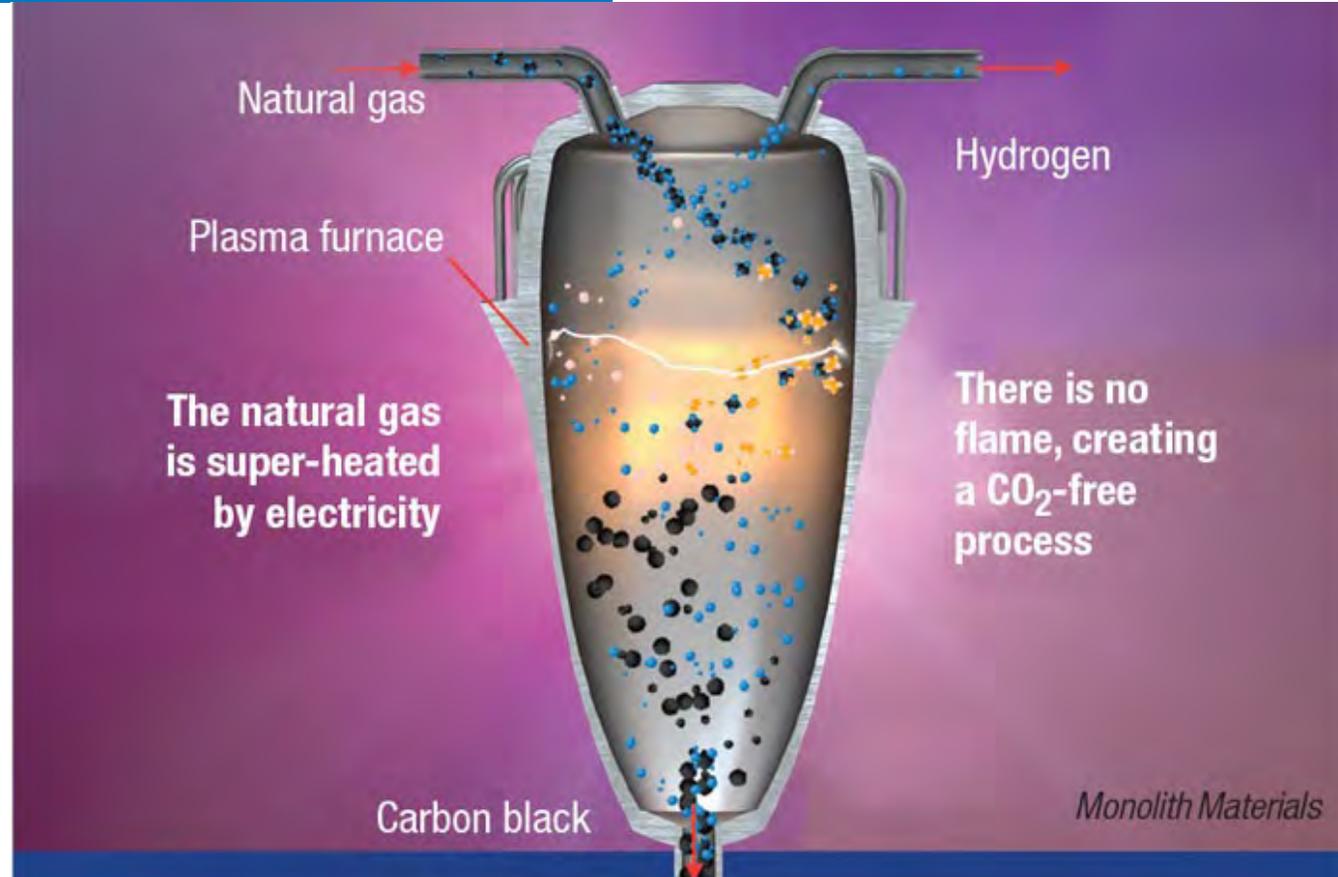
All pathways for clean hydrogen included:  
Thermal conversion w/ CCS, advanced water splitting, biological approaches, etc.

### Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – \$9.5B H<sub>2</sub> Highlights

- \$8B for at least 4 regional clean H<sub>2</sub> Hubs
- \$1B for electrolysis (and related H<sub>2</sub>) RD&D
- \$0.5B for clean H<sub>2</sub> technology mfg. & recycling R&D
- Aligns with H<sub>2</sub> Shot priorities by directing work to reduce cost of clean H<sub>2</sub> to \$2/kg by 2026
- Requires developing a National H<sub>2</sub> Strategy & Roadmap

# Monolith Methane Pyrolysis

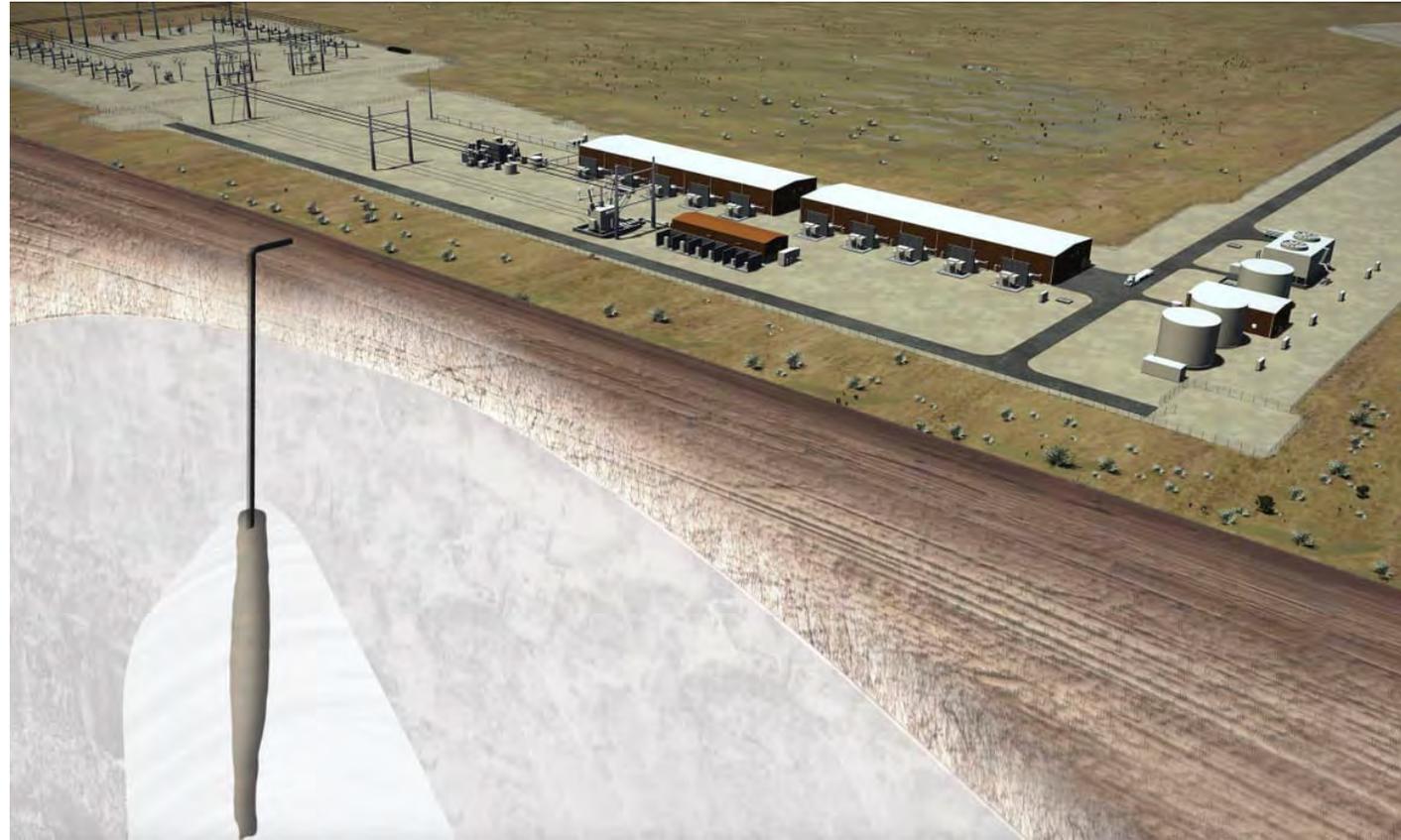
- DOE provided conditional approval of a \$1.04B loan guarantee for Monolith Nebraska
- Monolith has an offtake agreement with Goodyear Tire & Rubber
- Monolith claims a carbon intensity of 0.45 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e/kg H<sub>2</sub> if using renewable electricity



Sources: Image: <https://www.chemengonline.com/methane-pyrolysis-process-uses-renewable-electricity-split-ch4-h2-carbon-black/>  
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<https://monolith-corp.com/process-comparison>

# Advanced Clean Energy Storage (ACES) Project

- DOE issued \$504M in loan guarantees for hydrogen storage in Delta, UT
- Recipients: Mitsubishi Power Americas Inc. and Magnum Development LLC
- Design: 220 MW electrolysis and 5,500 tons of H<sub>2</sub> storage
- Agreements with Intermountain Power Plant (1900 MW) with High Voltage DC connection to Los Angeles
- Plant converting from coal to 70% natural gas – 30% hydrogen to 100% hydrogen



Sources: Image <https://www.canarymedia.com/articles/hydrogen/massive-green-hydrogen-hub-in-utah-wins-504m-federal-loan-guarantee#:~:text=The%20Advanced%20Clean%20Energy%20Storage,tons%20of%20hydrogen%20a%20day.>  
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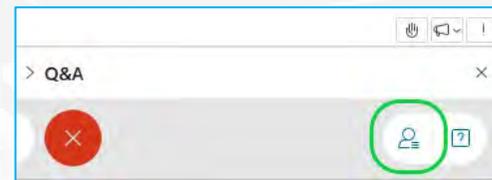
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# Hydrogen Color Spectrum

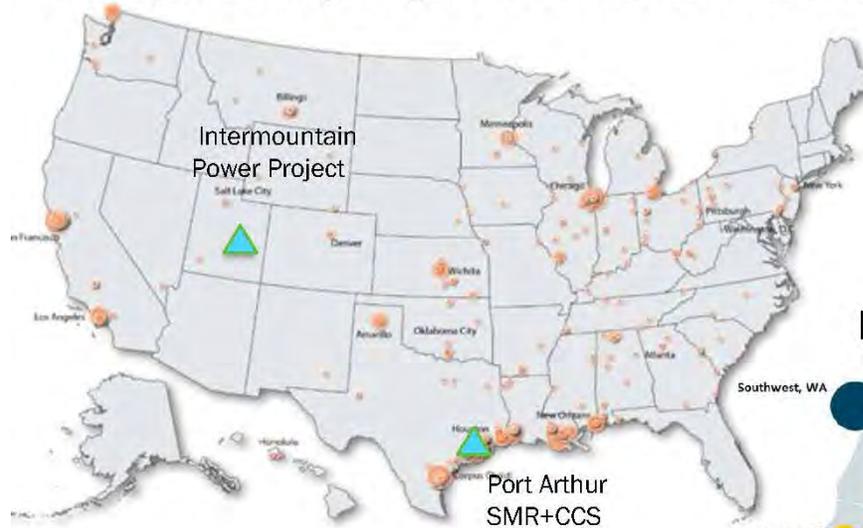
Figure 2 – Hydrogen Color Spectrum



# Advanced Hydrogen Production in the U.S.

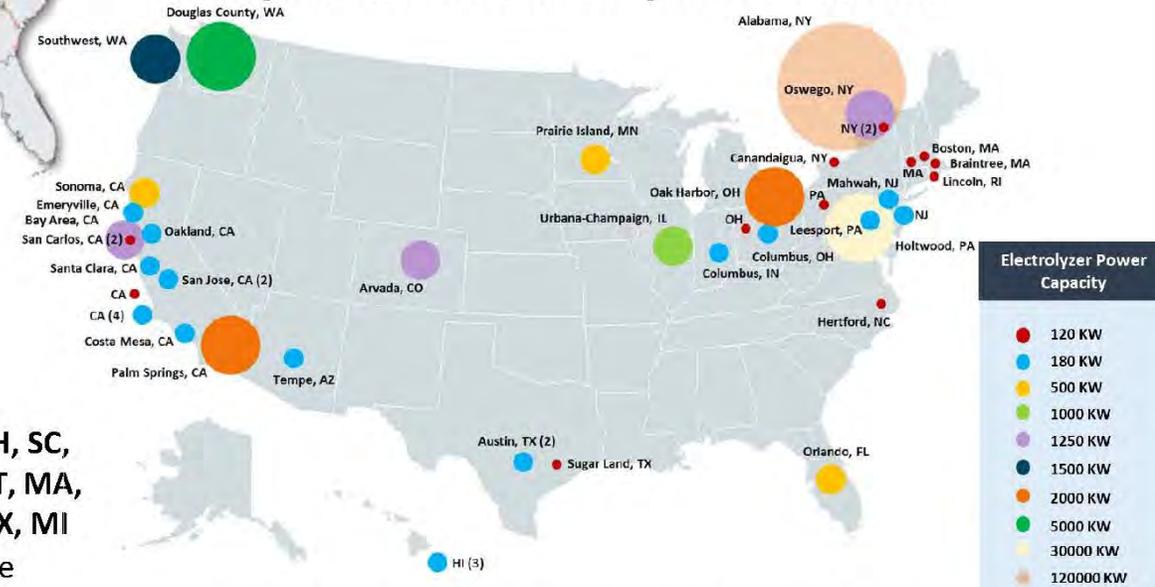
Electrolysis and other technologies are expanding in the U.S.

## Examples of Hydrogen Production Locations



- 10 million metric tons (MMT) H<sub>2</sub>/yr
- Over 1,600 miles of H<sub>2</sub> pipelines
- World's largest H<sub>2</sub> storage cavern

## Examples of PEM Electrolyzer Installations



## Examples of Hydrogen Station Plans

### California

200 Stations Planned  
California Fuel Cell Partnership Goal

### Northeast

12 – 20 Stations Planned

AZ, HI, OH, SC, NJ, NY, CT, MA, CO, UT, TX, MI And more

### Electrolyzer Power Capacity

- 120 kW
- 180 kW
- 500 kW
- 1000 kW
- 1250 kW
- 1500 kW
- 2000 kW
- 5000 kW
- 30000 kW
- 120000 kW

Current and under construction installations over 120 kW as of Jun. 2021

\* Source: Arjona, et al, DOE HFTO Program Record, June 2021



Hydrogen from  
Next-generation  
Electrolyzers of Water

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Hydrogen Technologies: Electrolyzers and Fuel Cells

Bryan Pivovar, National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

Date: 5/31/22

NYSERDA Webinar



## Hydrogen Council

CLIMATE CH2AMPION: HYDROGEN IS THE MISSING PIECE OF THE ENERGY PUZZLE

HYDROGEN COST TO FALL SHARPLY AND SOONER THAN EXPECTED

HYDROGEN DEPLOYMENT ACCELERATING WITH MORE THAN \$300 BILLION IN PROJECT PIPELINE



*Potential Impacts from Hydrogen Council Roadmap Study. By 2050:*

- \$2.5 trillion in global revenues
- 30 million jobs
- 400 million cars, 15-20 million trucks
- 18% of total global energy demand



<https://hydrogencouncil.com/en/>

Live news

### The global race to develop 'green' hydrogen



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Hydrogen-powered fuel cells could solve the key problem with battery electric vehicles – the long recharge times – as filling up a tank with hydrogen takes just a bit longer than putting in petrol. GEORGES GOBET AFP/File

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Paris (AFP)

It's seen as the missing link in the race for carbon-neutrality: 'green' hydrogen produced without fossil fuel energy is a popular buzzword in competing press releases and investment plans across the globe.



<https://www.france24.com/en/live-news/20210331-the-global-race-to-develop-green-hydrogen>

Politics

### Hydrogen Is 'Jump Ball' in Global Clean-Energy Race, Kerry Says

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy and Will Wade  
March 2, 2021, 9:38 AM MST

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Now is the time for hydrogen and the "global race" is on

# Hydrogen Energy Earthshot

“Hydrogen Shot”

“1 1 1”

\$1 for 1 kg clean hydrogen  
in 1 decade

Launched June 7, 2021



# Bipartisan Infrastructure Law - Hydrogen Highlights



- **Covers \$9.5B** for clean hydrogen:
  - \$8B for at least four regional clean hydrogen hubs
  - \$1B for electrolysis research, development and demonstration
  - \$500M for clean hydrogen technology manufacturing and recycling R&D



President Biden Signs the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill on November 15, 2021.

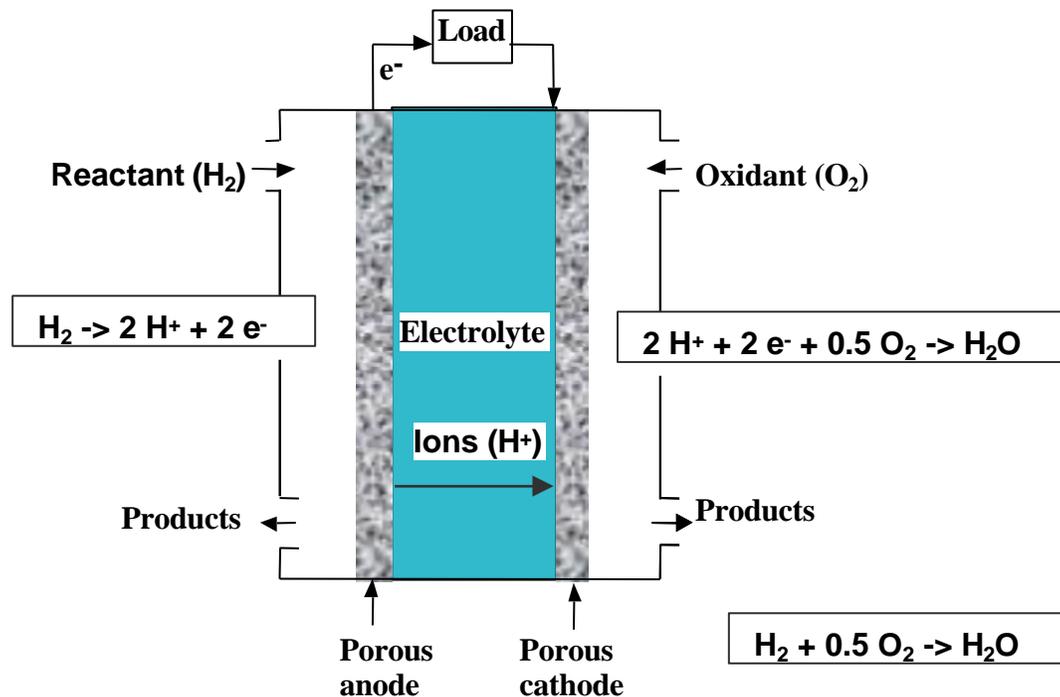
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- **Aligns with Hydrogen Shot priorities by directing work to reduce the cost of clean hydrogen to \$2 per kilogram by 2026**
- **Requires developing a National Hydrogen Strategy and Roadmap**

<https://www.energy.gov/sites/default/files/2021-12/h2iq-12082021.pdf>

**Fuel Cells:** electrochemical devices that convert chemical energy directly into electrical energy.

**Electrolyzers:** electrochemical devices that convert electrical energy directly into chemical energy.

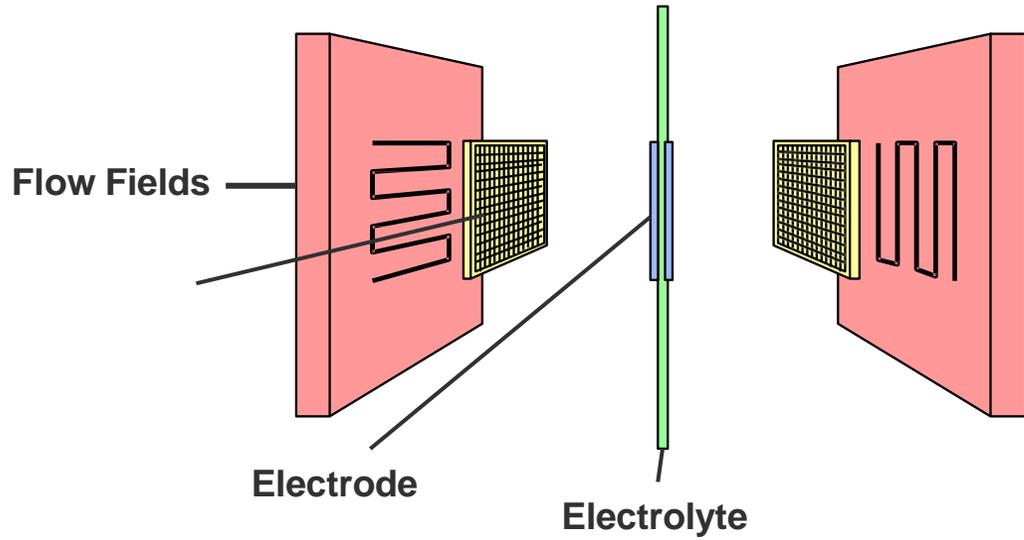


**Characterized by electrolyte:**

- **Polymer Electrolyte**
- **Alkaline**
- **Phosphoric Acid**
- **Molten Carbonate**
- **Solid Oxide**

# General Cell/Stack Structure

## Single cell



## Stack

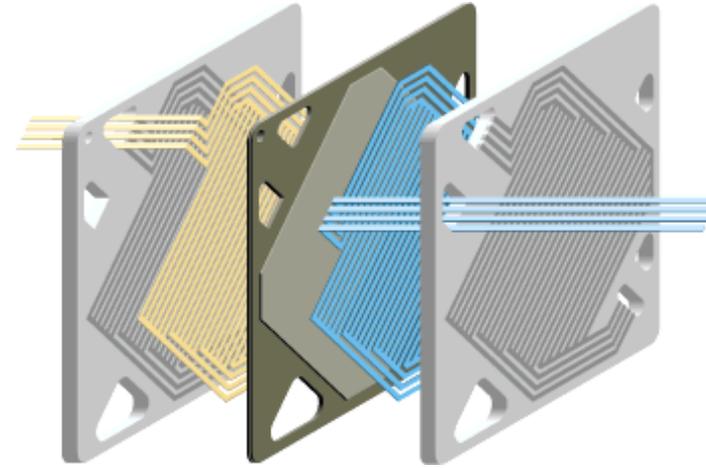


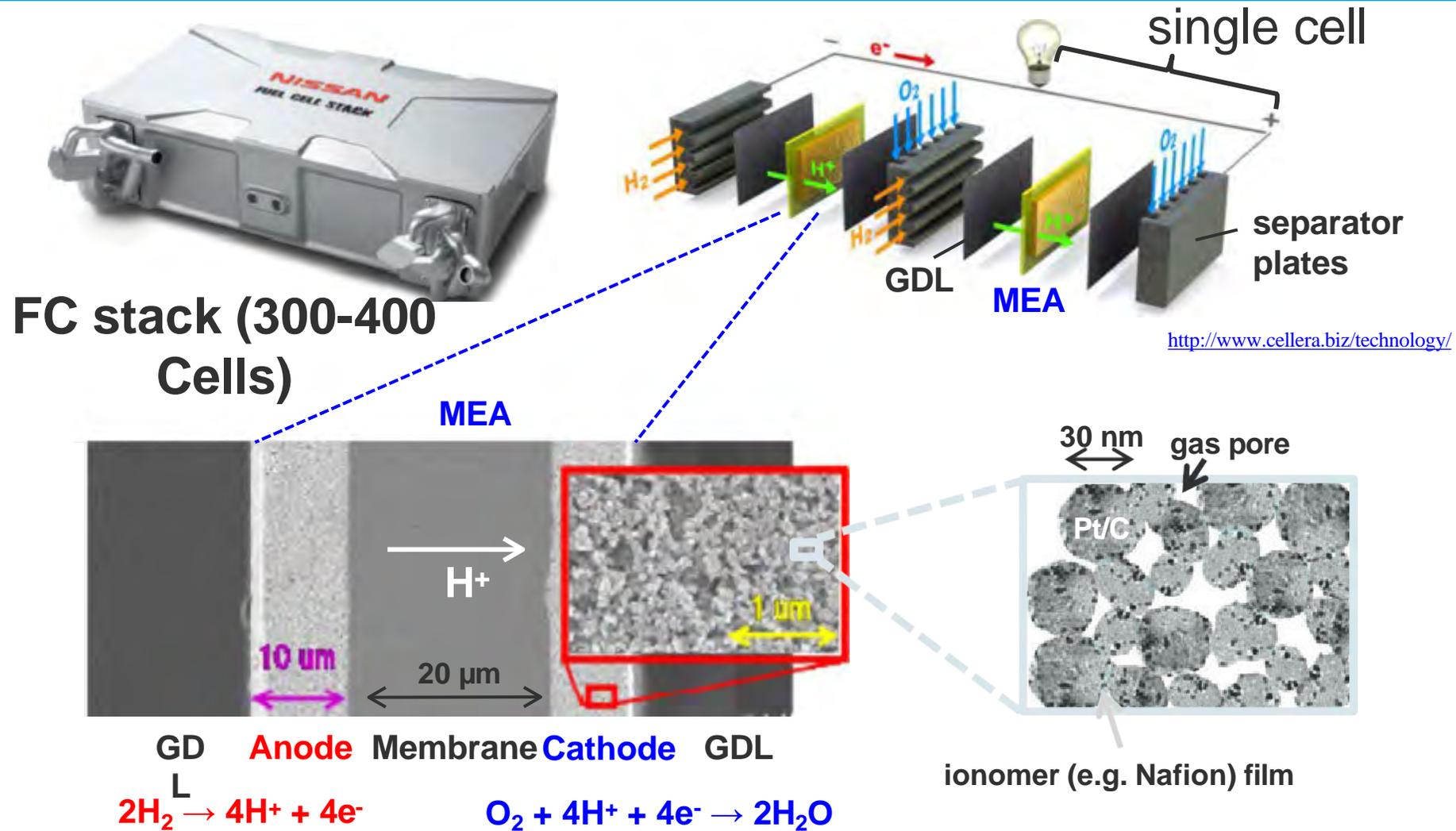
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## End Use

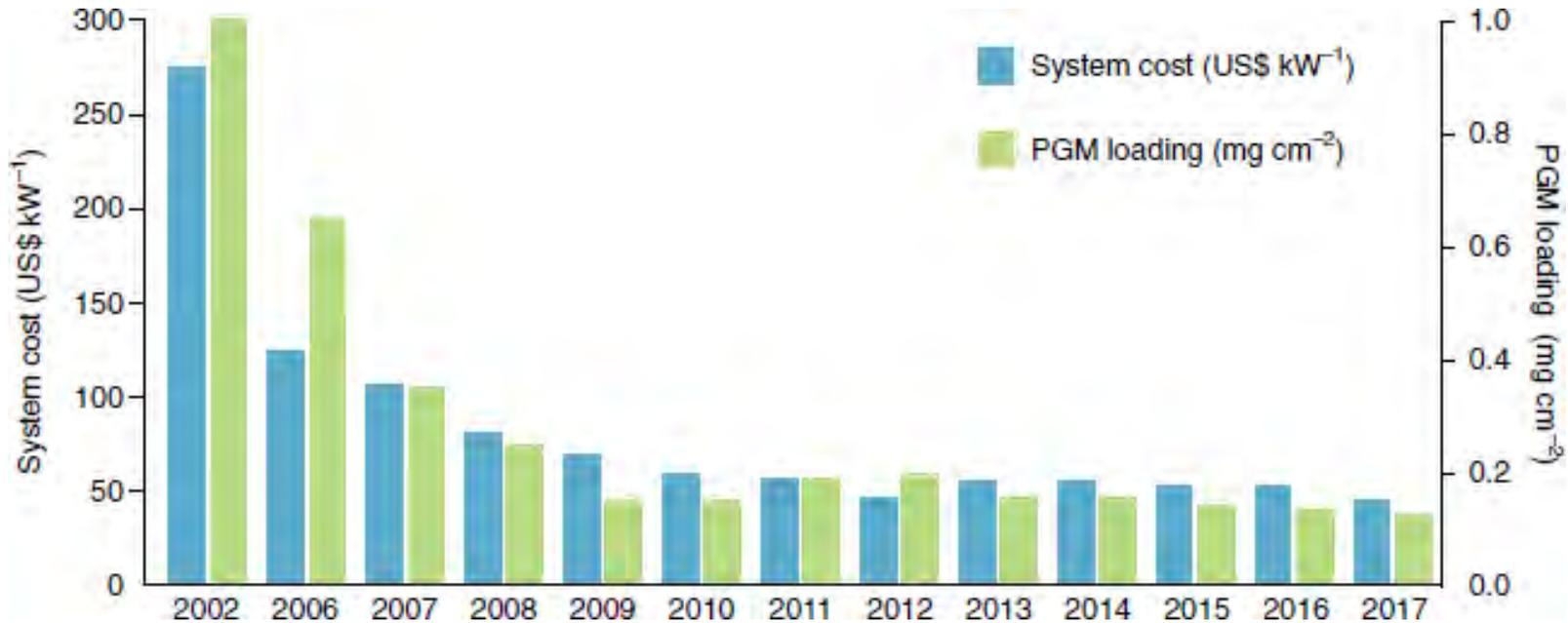


# Membrane Electrode Assembly



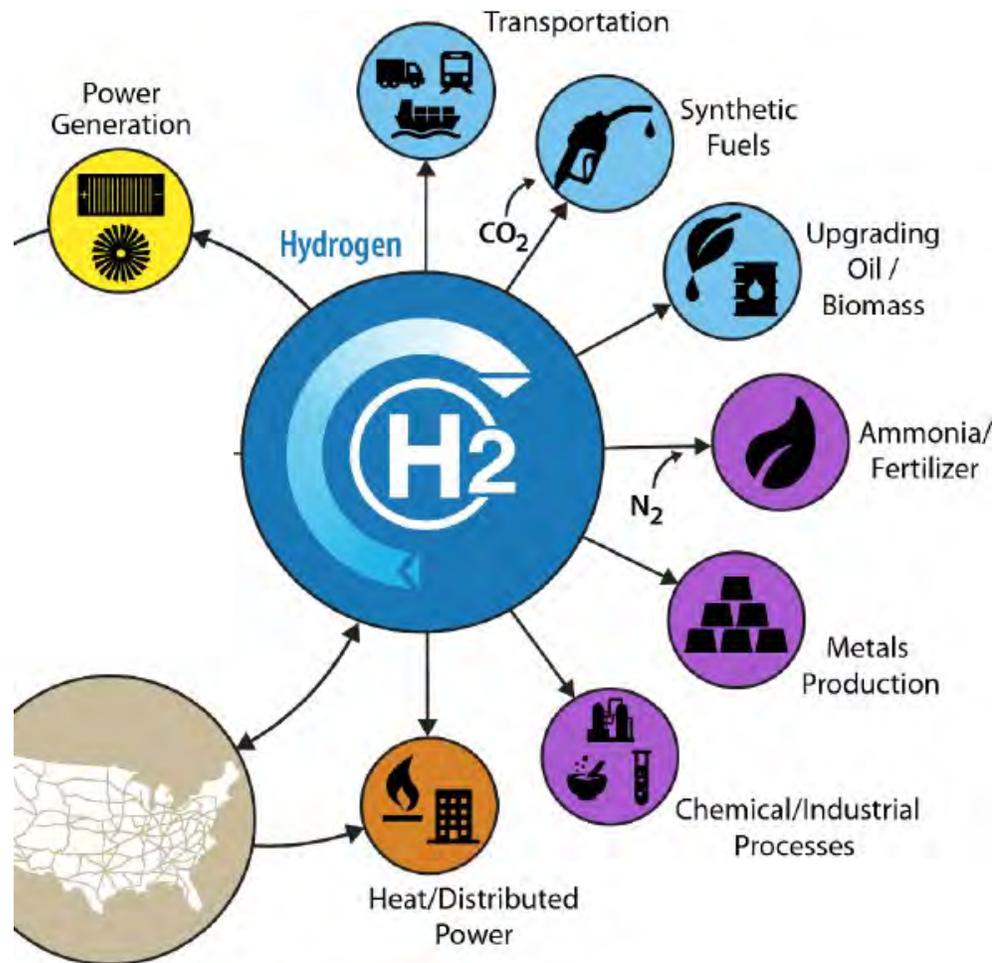
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# PEMFC Cost Advances



- Billions in RD&D investments have significantly reduced FC transportation system costs
- They have reached the ability to near parity in light duty vehicle markets
- BEVs have significantly advanced as well
- Scale and supply chain remain challenges.

B. Pivovar, Nature Catalysis, 2, 2019, 562–565.



<https://www.energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/h2-scale>

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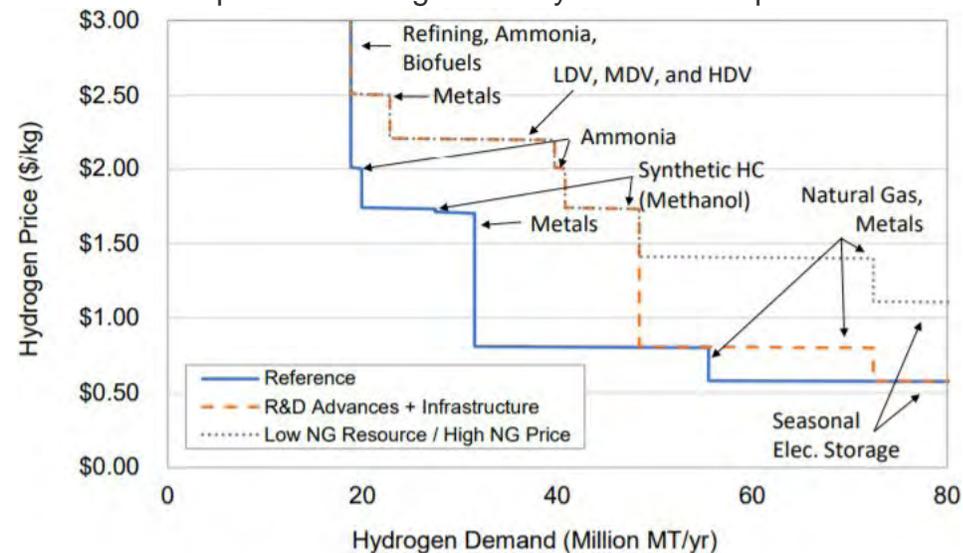
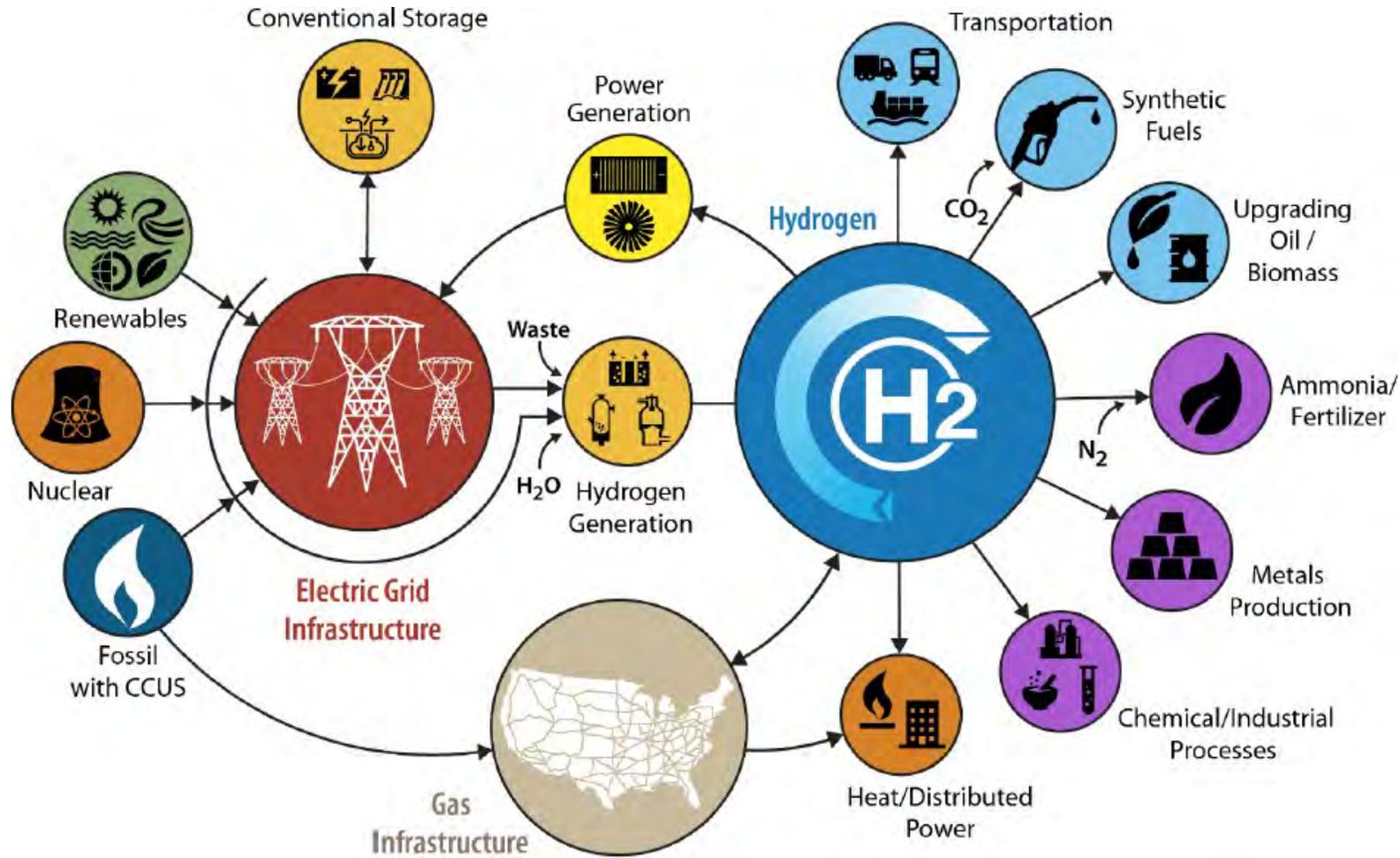


Figure 24. Aggregated demand curves for H2@Scale scenarios

- Transportation and Industry are strongest economic sectors (also difficult to decarbonize)
- Many of the processes are or could be electrochemical
- Difficult or impossible to fully electrify
- R&D needs are significant
  - Fuel Cells (M2FCT), NH3, Steel, burners/turbines



- Making H2 is the inherently obvious, first step to spur the wide-ranging benefits of the H2@Scale vision.
- Electrolysis has most competitive economics and balances increasing renewable generation challenges.

Illustrative example, not comprehensive  
<https://www.energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/h2-scale>

# Electrolyzers by Type

Type	Pros	Cons
<b>Alkaline</b>	Well established, lower capital cost, more materials choices at high pH, high manufacturing readiness, can leverage established supply chains, demonstrated in larger capacity	Corrosive liquid electrolyte used, higher ohmic drop, lack of differential pressure operation, shunt currents, limited intermittency capabilities, efficiency
<b>Polymer Electrolyte Membrane</b>	Low ohmic losses/high power density operation, differential pressure operation, DI water only operation, leverages PEM fuel cell development and supply chain, load following capability	Requires expensive materials (Ti, Ir, Pt, perfluorinated polymers), lower manufacturing and technology readiness, efficiency
<b>Solid Oxide</b>	High efficiency, low-cost materials, integration with continuous high temperature electricity sources (e.g., nuclear energy), leverages SOFC development and supply chain, differential pressure operation	High temperature materials challenges, limited intermittency capabilities, thermal integration, lower manufacturing and technology readiness, steam conversion and separation challenges

**Low  
Temperature  
(0 - 200°C)**

**High  
Temperature  
(>500°C)**

Badgett, Ruth and Pivovar, "Economic considerations for hydrogen production with a focus on polymer electrolyte membrane electrolysis," accepted 2021.

# H2NEW : H<sub>2</sub> from Next-generation Electrolyzers of Water

A comprehensive, concerted effort focused on overcoming technical barriers to enable affordable, reliable & efficient electrolyzers to achieve <\$2/kg H<sub>2</sub>

- Launching in Q1 FY21
- Both low- and high-temperature electrolyzers
- \$50M over 5 years

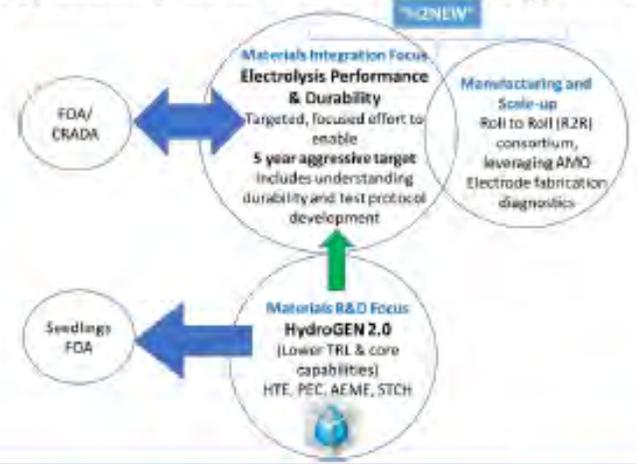
### National Lab Consortium Team

Clear, well-defined stack metrics to guide efforts.

**Draft Electrolyzer Stack Goals by 2025**

	LTE PEM	HTE
Capital Cost	\$100/kW	\$100/kW
Elect. Efficiency (LHV)	70% at 3 A/cm <sup>2</sup>	98% at 1.5 A/cm <sup>2</sup>
Lifetime	80,000 hr	60,000 hr

The focus is not new materials but addressing components, materials integration, and manufacturing R&D



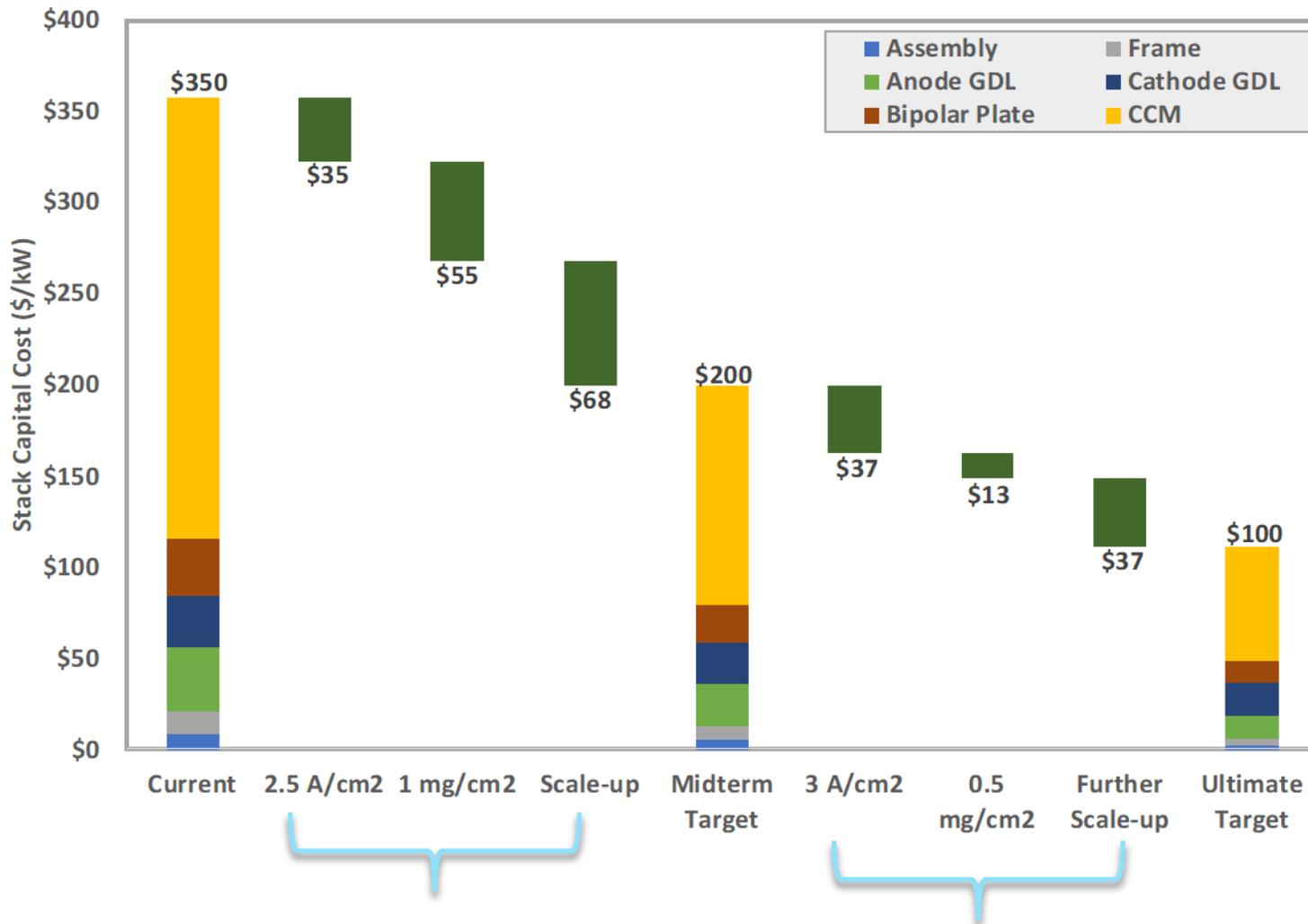
Utilize combination of world-class experimental, analytical, and modeling tools



Durability/lifetime is most critical, initial, primary focus of H2NEW

- Limited fundamental knowledge of degradation mechanisms.
- Lack of understanding on how to effectively accelerate degradation processes.
- Develop and validate methods and tests to accelerate identified degradation processes to be able to evaluate durability in a matter of weeks or months instead of years.
- National labs are ideal for this critical work due to existing capabilities and expertise combined with the ability to freely share research findings.

# Relevance: Stack Costs (PEM Centric)



Stack Targets	Status	2023	2025
Cell (A/cm <sup>2</sup> @1.9V)	2.0	2.5	3.0
Efficiency (%)	66	68	70
Lifetime (khr)	60	70	80
Degradation (mV/khr)	3.2	2.75	2.25
Capital Cost (\$/kW)	350	200	100
PGM loading (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	3	1	0.5

These 3 areas

1. Increased efficiency/current density
2. Decreased PGM loading
3. Scale-up

Are the strongest levers for addressing stack costs.

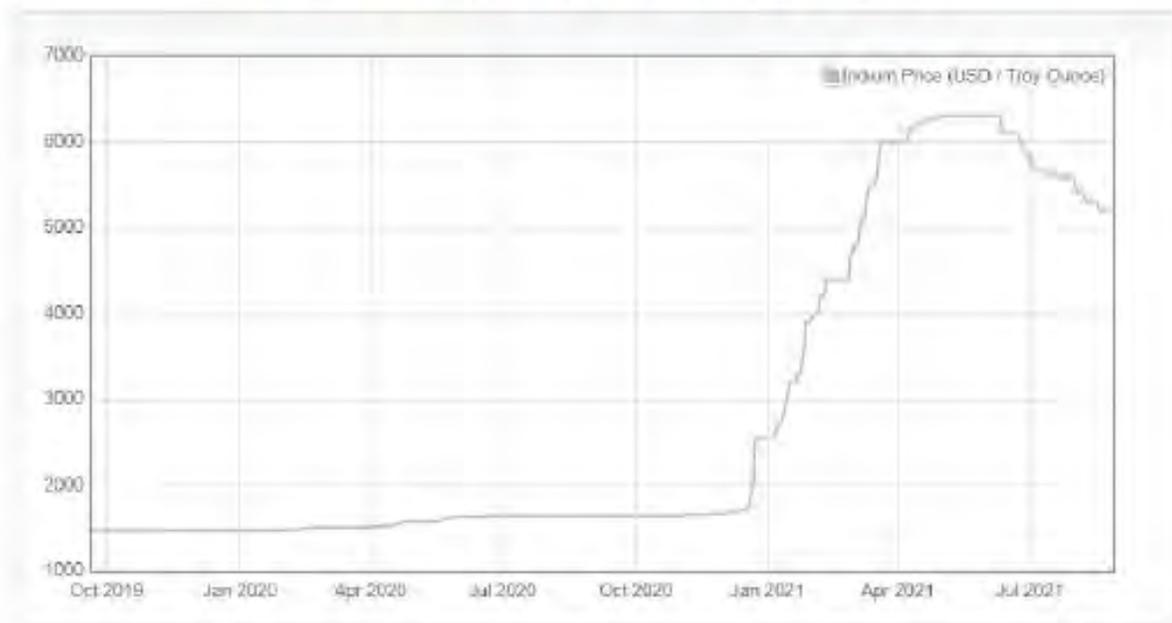
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Thank You!!!!  
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# Materials Needs

- Thrifting/replacing of Ir
  - Supports
  - Novel compositions/structures
  - Electrode fabrication impacts
- Improved membranes
  - Increased selectivity, thin membranes
  - Improved durability
  - Recombination layers
- Novel Porous Transport Layers (PTLs)
  - Materials
  - Morphology
  - Coatings

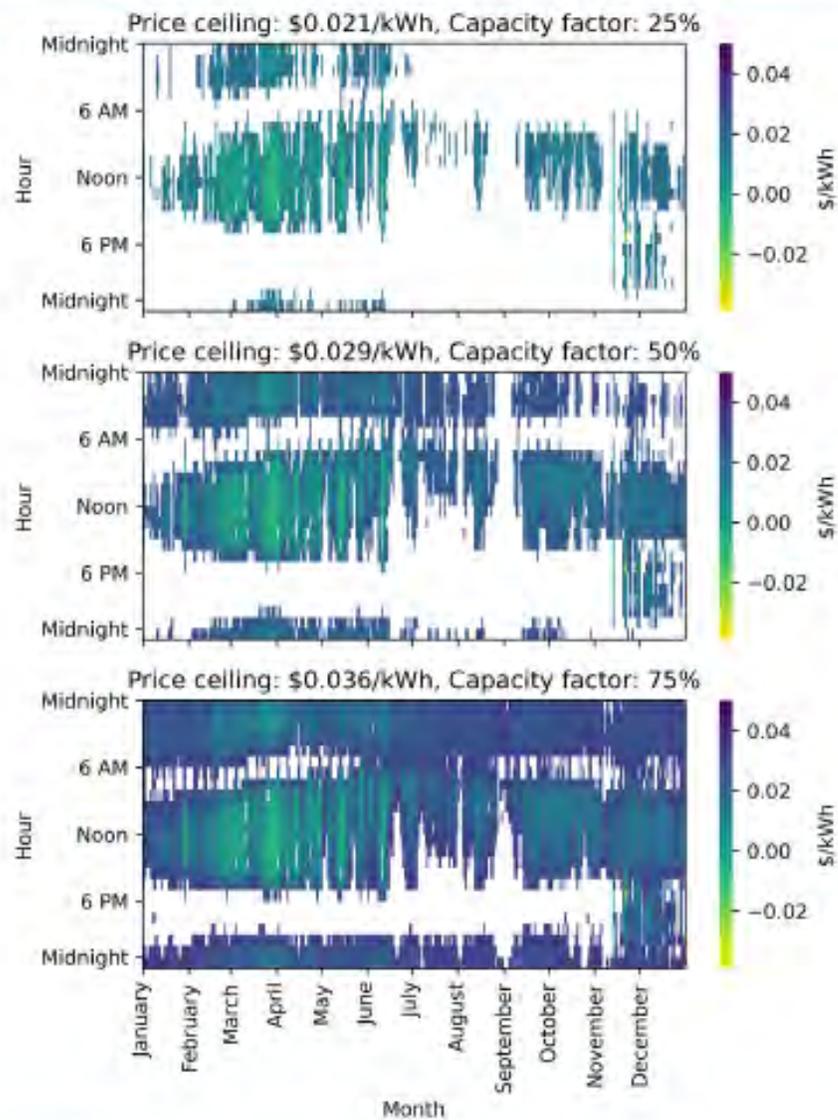
Iridium Prices for the Last 2 Years



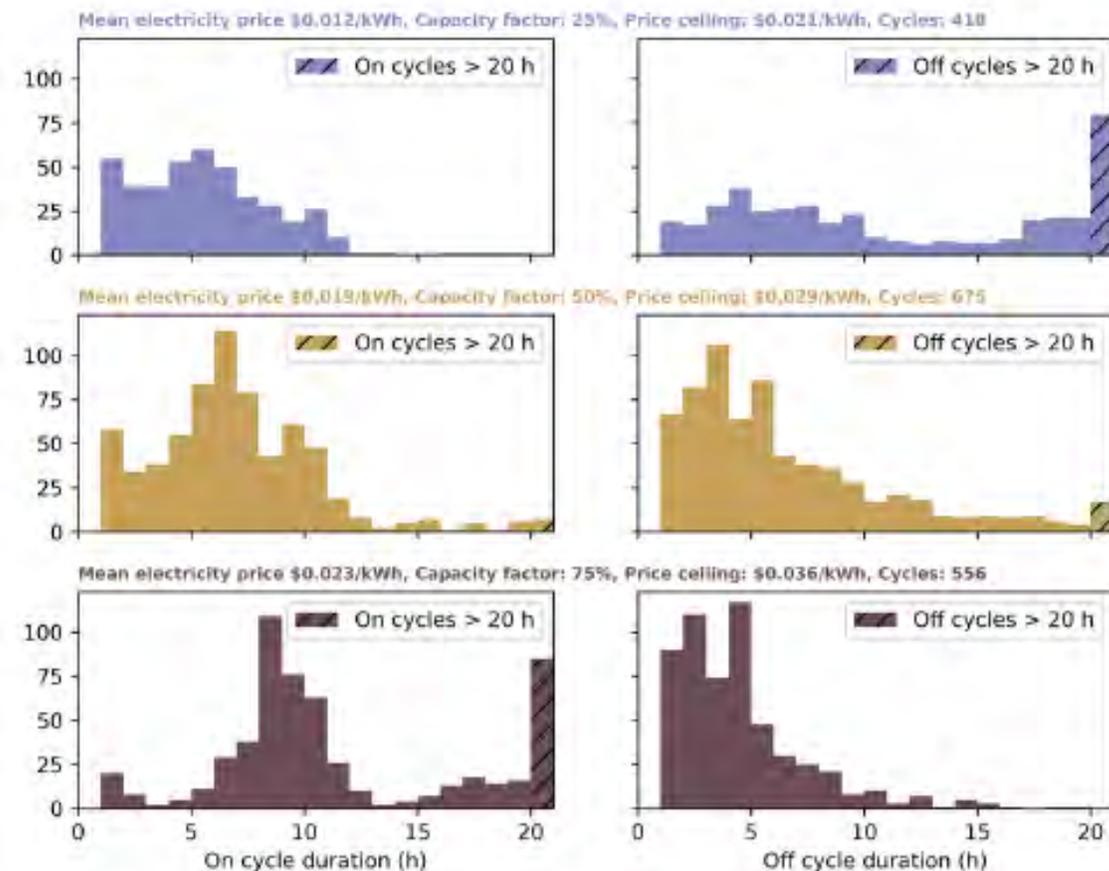
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- Traditional (Conc. KOH)
  - Intermittent operating capability
  - Operating pressure
  - Degradation mechanisms/ASTs
  - Performance/efficiency improvements
- AEM/hybrid (low conc/KOH-free systems)
  - Novel materials development
    - Stable polymers
    - Advanced catalysts
  - Performance dependence on electrolyte
  - Degradation mechanisms/ASTs

# Accomplishment: Duty cycle implications for ASTs

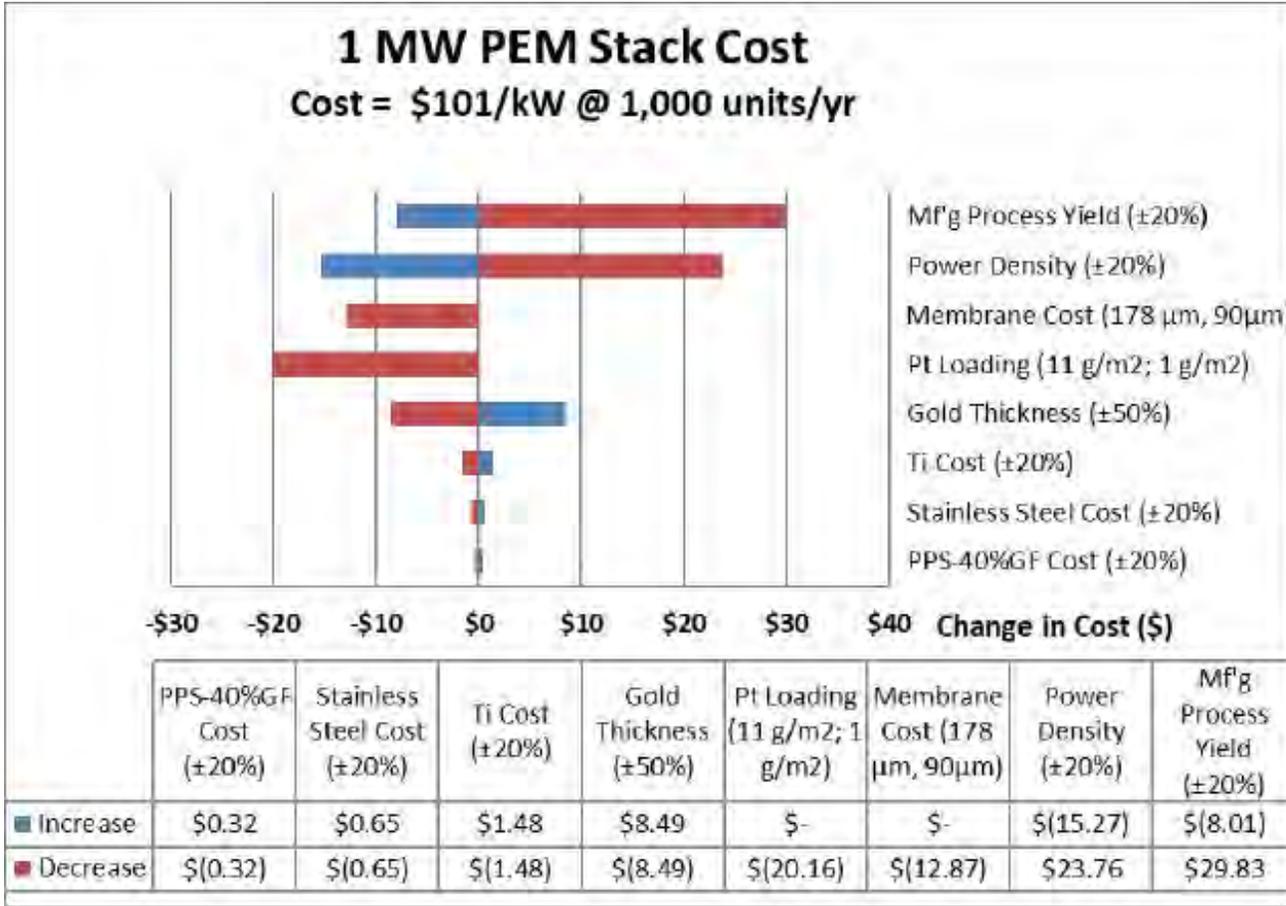


LMP heatmaps can give insight into potential operating strategies



On-off cycle duration and frequency can help support AST development.

# Sensitivity Analysis

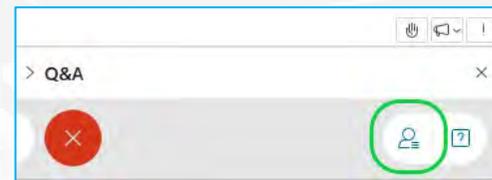


- Yield insight into primary cost drivers for PEMEC stacks
- Membrane cost, Pt loading, precious metal coatings are easily identifiable materials advances for impact
- Manufacturing processes and yields are important
- Power density can be impacted by materials advances

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# Hydrogen Delivery and Storage: Implications for Structural Integrity

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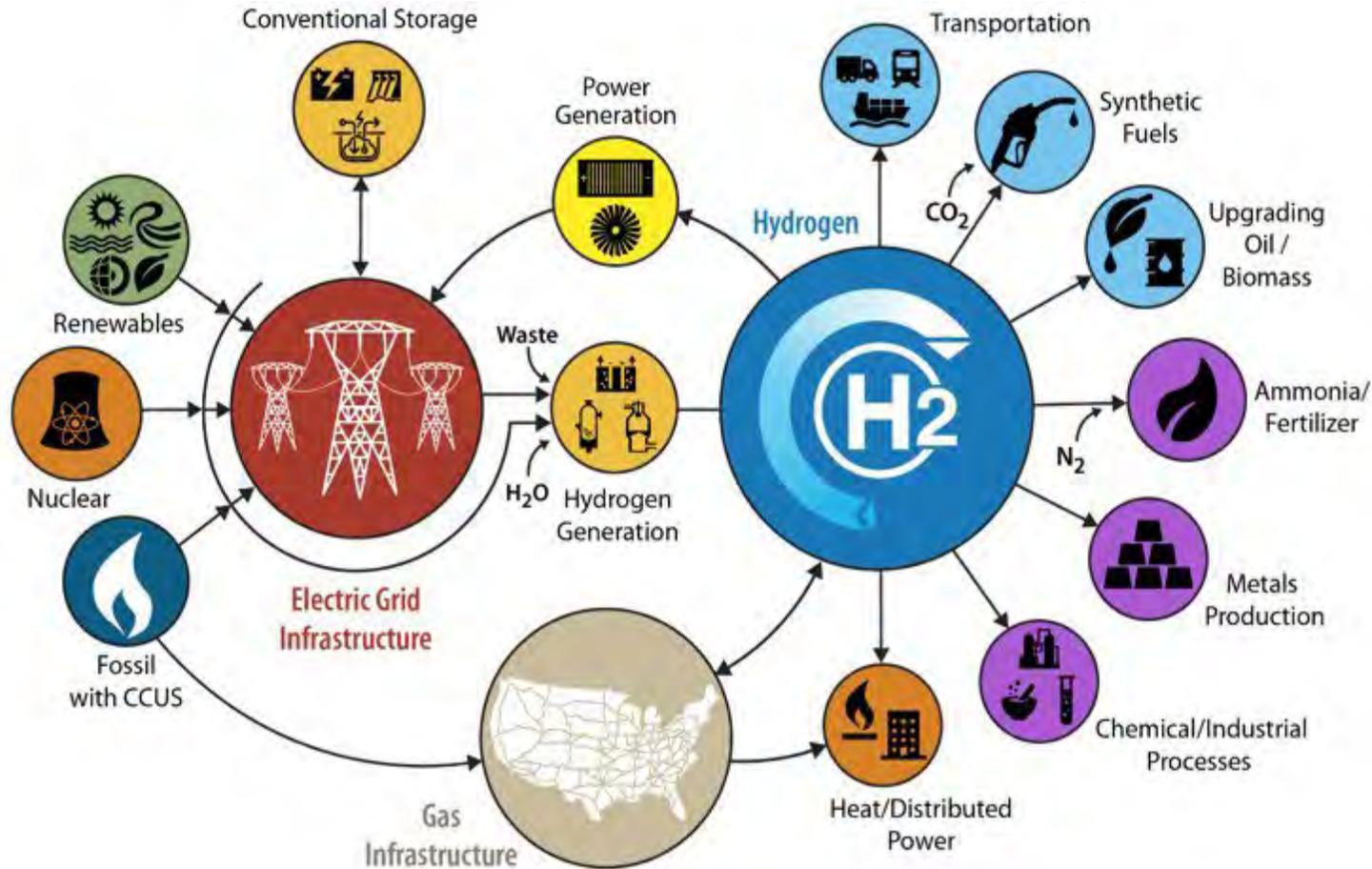
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# Hydrogen has broad potential for decarbonization



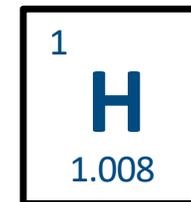
**“Hydrogen is the Swiss Army knife of decarbonization”**

— Julio Friedmann, former Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for DOE’s Office of Fossil Energy

Source: [Washington Examiner](https://www.washingtonexaminer.com)

**H2@Scale enables deep decarbonization across sectors**

Source: U.S. DOE Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies Office, <https://www.energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/h2scale>



- =
- simple
  - clean
  - flexible

# Motivation and Outline

- **How is hydrogen delivered and stored?**
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- **How does gaseous hydrogen affect fatigue and fracture of (pipeline) steels?**
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# Hydrogen can be managed like other fuel gases

Gaseous



TRAIN



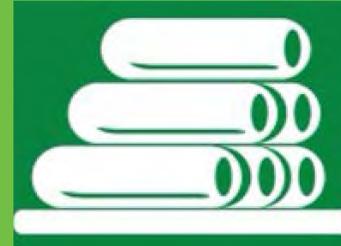
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TRUCK



PIPELINES



GASEOUS

Vessels  
Geologic

*Delivery*

*Storage*

Liquid



TRAIN



SHIP



TRUCK



LIQUID

Carriers

SOLID  
LIQUID  
GAS

# What is the best method to transport and store H<sub>2</sub>?

- **“It depends...”**
  - The standard engineering answer to a poorly posed question
- **Gaseous**
  - Typically high-pressure to achieve volumetric density
  - Current state-of-the-art for vehicle fuel, very large (geologic) storage, and long distance, high volume transport (e.g., pipelines)
- **Liquid**
  - Very low temperature (20K – lower than liquid N<sub>2</sub>)
  - Current state-of-the-art for some transport and storage applications
- **Carriers**
  - Not economical at present
  - Often toxic

# What are the hydrogen challenges?

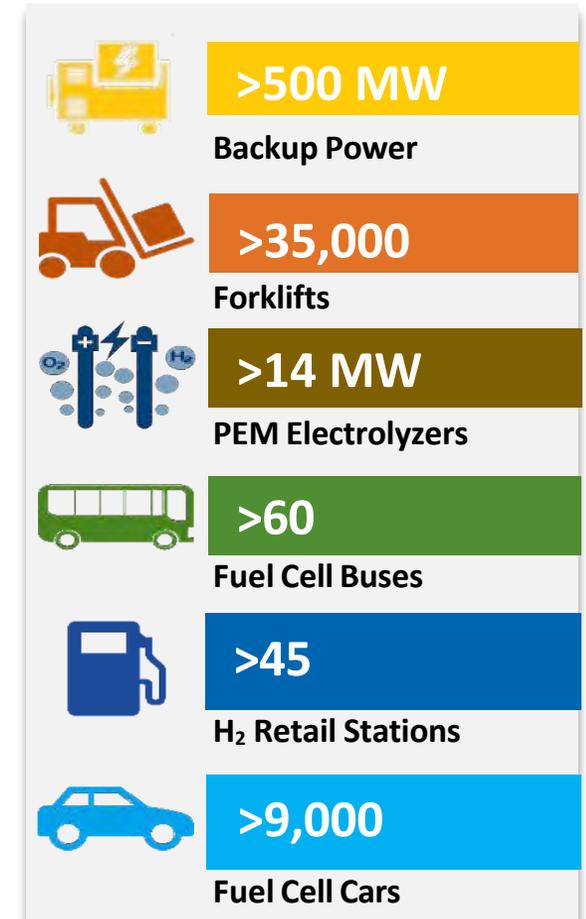
- **Hydrogen technologies are not new**
  - Cornerstone of astronautics
  - “Chemical” hydrogen is used extensively in industry (10B kg/yr in US)
  - Hydrogen pipelines exist to serve industry (>2,500 km in US)
- **Commercial uses are emerging**
  - Fuel cell cars, buses, trains, boats, back-up power, etc.
  - H<sub>2</sub>-powered materials handling equipment (e.g., forklifts)

- **Non-industrial (green) hydrogen is too expensive**
  - Supply chain for non-industrial use is nascent
  - Infrastructure at scale cannot be replaced/developed overnight
    - Gas network is estimated to be valued at >\$1,000B
    - Over 150,000 gasoline stations in US (value ~\$100B)
- **Hydrogen is managed as chemical, not as energy/fuel**
  - We need “*non-hardhat*” relationship with hydrogen

economics

safety

## Example hydrogen technology deployment in the US



International scale is greater in some areas: eg, >2000 buses

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## ***Motivation***

With growing interest in decarbonization, hydrogen is being considered as a means to reduce carbon in energy infrastructure

## ***Challenge***

Hydrogen degrades fatigue and fracture resistance of steels, and the effects on pressure vessel and line pipe steels are significant

### ***Environment***

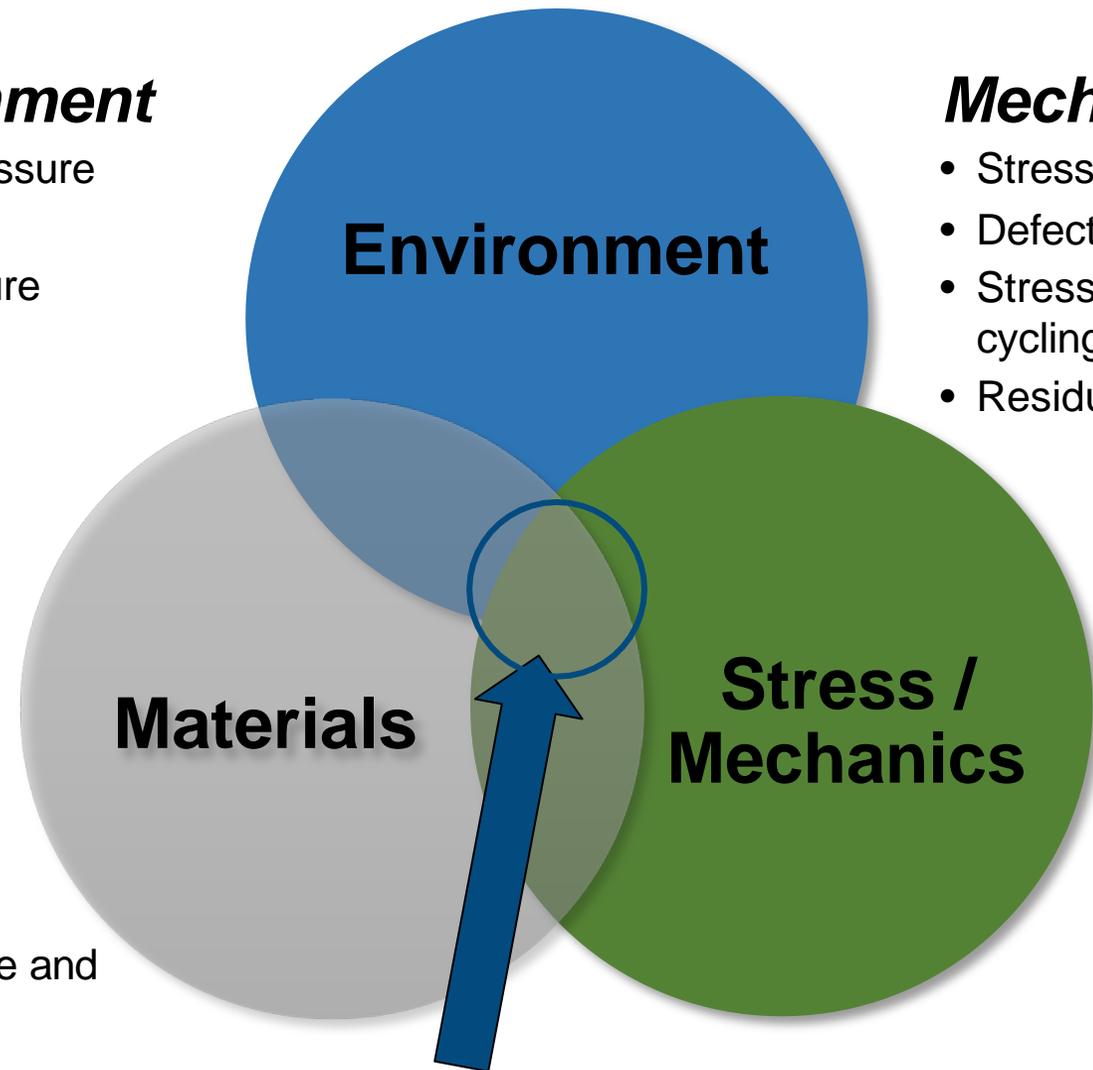
- Partial pressure
- Impurities
- Temperature

### ***Mechanics***

- Stress
- Defects
- Stress (pressure) cycling
- Residual stresses

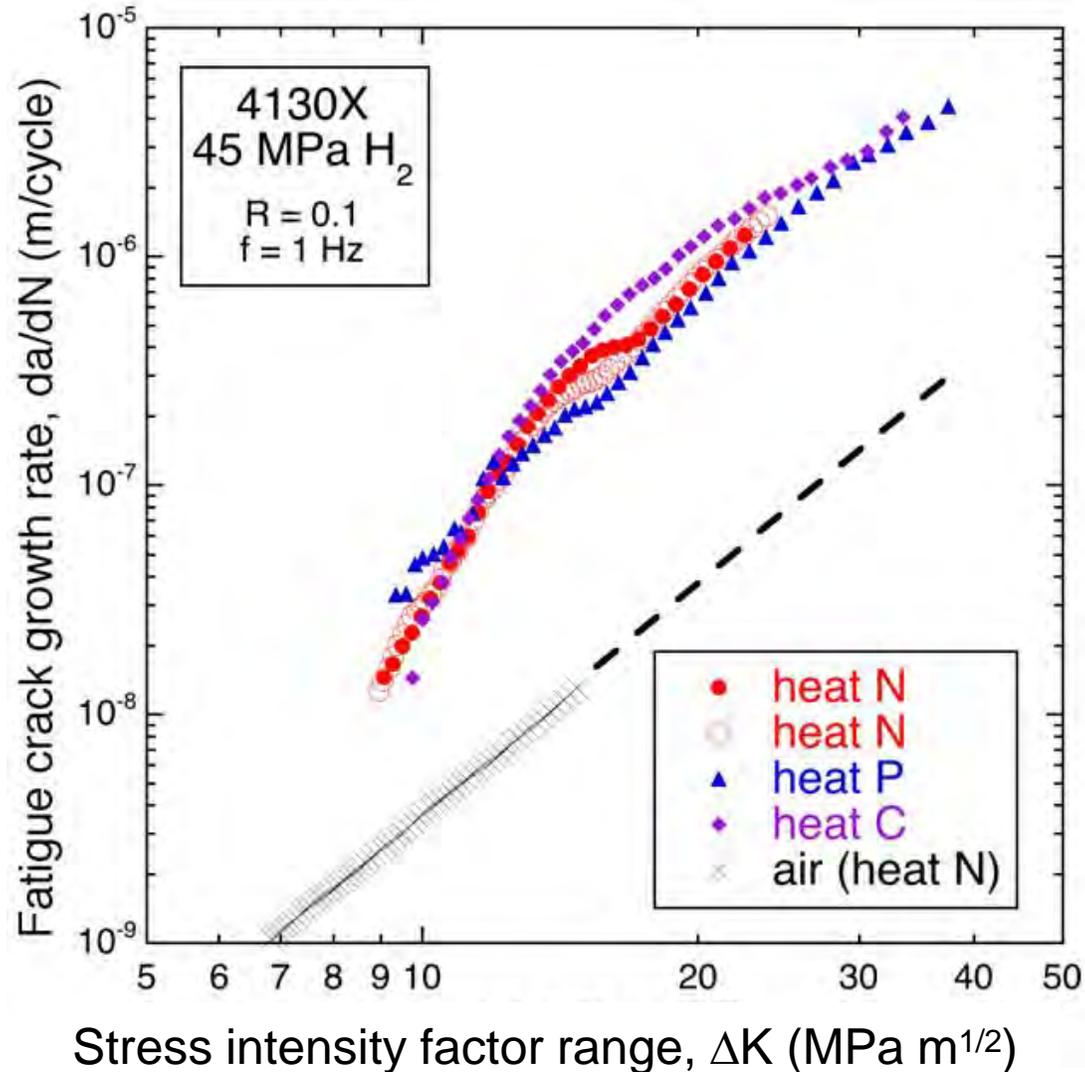
### ***Materials***

- Strength
- Microstructure and homogeneity



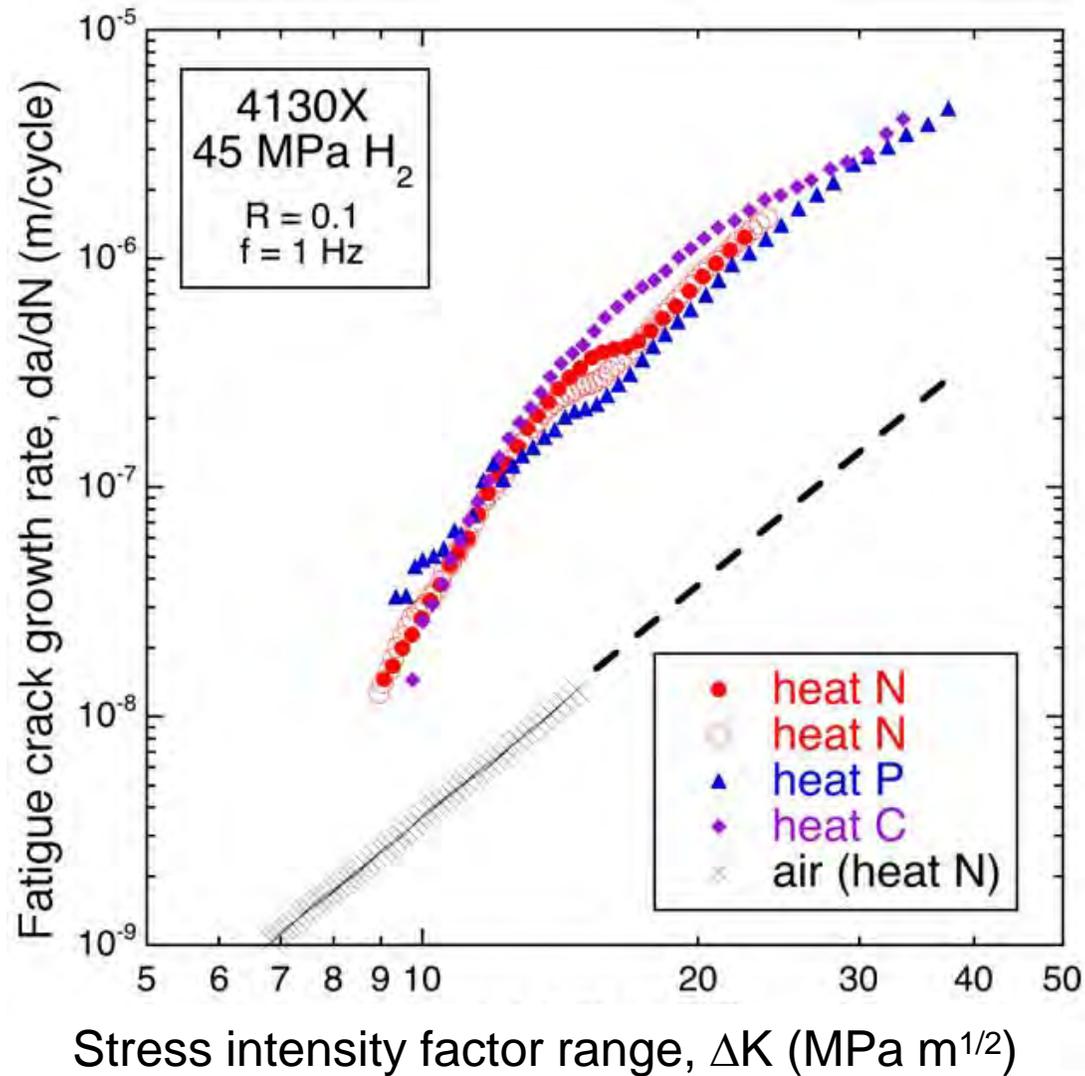
*Hydrogen embrittlement occurs in **materials** under the influence of **stress** in hydrogen **environments***

# Is hydrogen embrittlement a showstopper?



- **Fatigue crack growth rate is accelerated by 10X in H<sub>2</sub> compared to air**
  - Typical of many construction steels
- **Is this material safe to use in gaseous hydrogen?**
  - Yes – No – Maybe

# Construction steels are used in hydrogen applications



Hydrogen-powered  
forklift with steel  
fuel tank

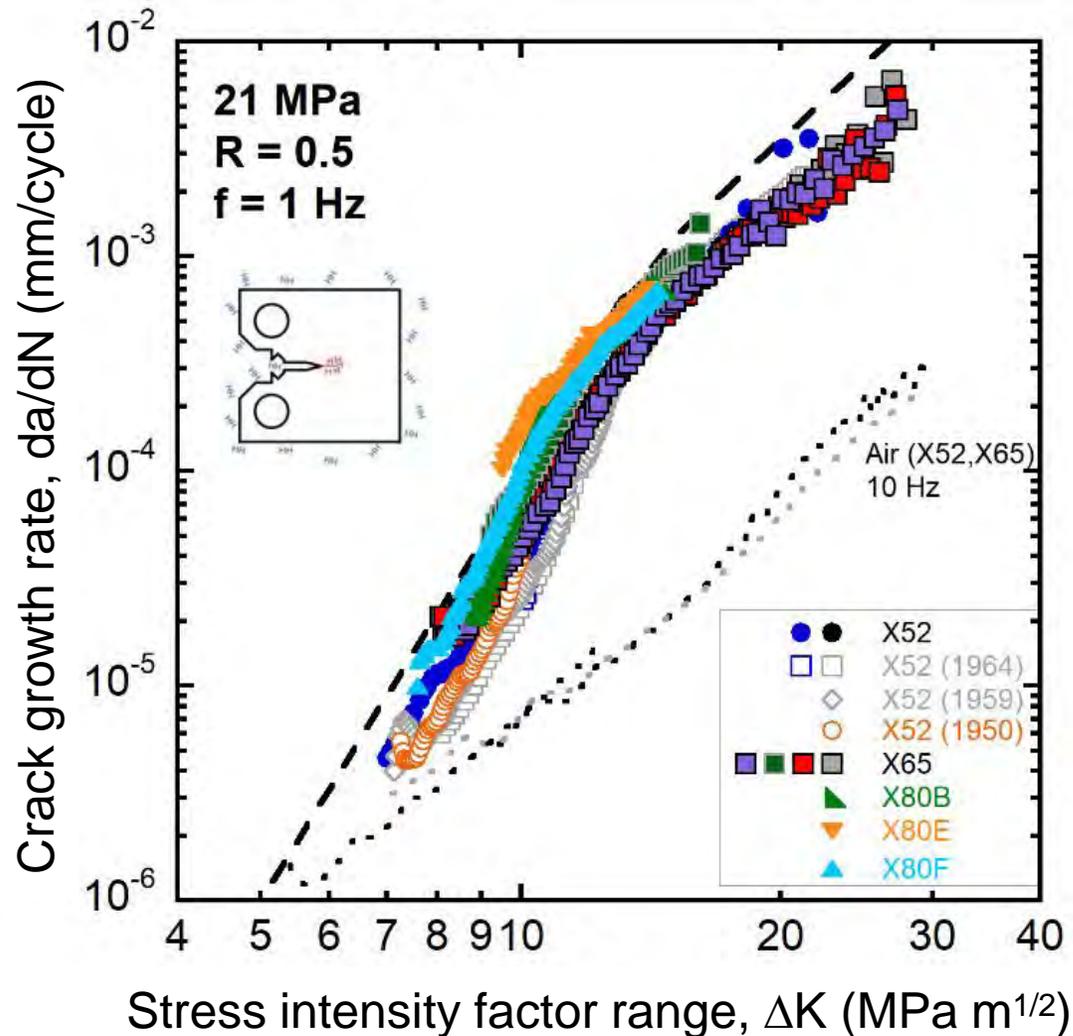
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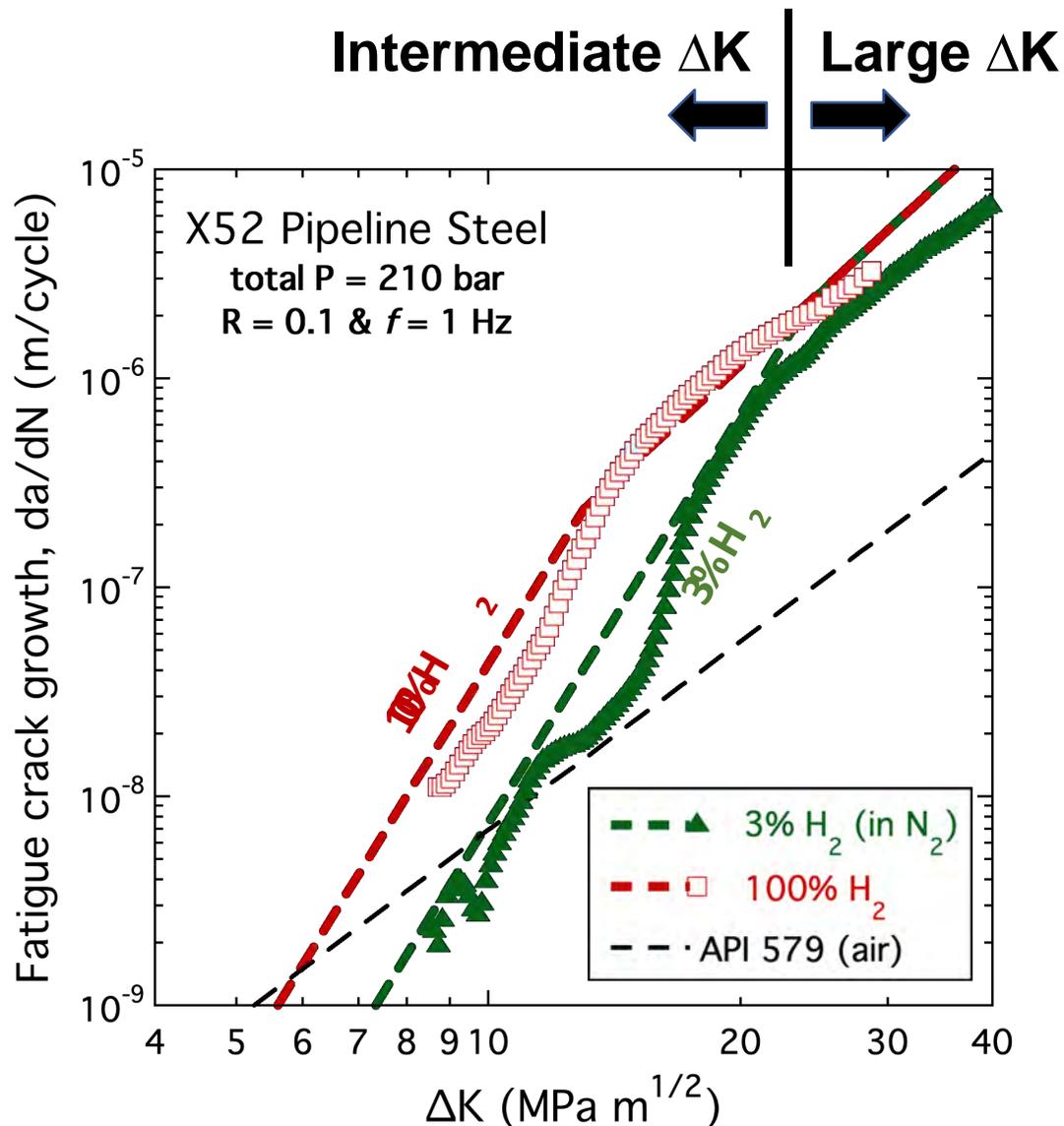
# Fatigue crack growth is not a strong function of pipeline grade



- Pipeline steels show very consistent behavior in gaseous hydrogen, including
  - Wide range of steel quality
  - Wide range of steel grade
- Effects of pressure and ‘load ratio’ are predictable

**Fatigue performance can be codified, thus negating the need for extensive fatigue testing**

# Low hydrogen partial pressure = large effect on fatigue



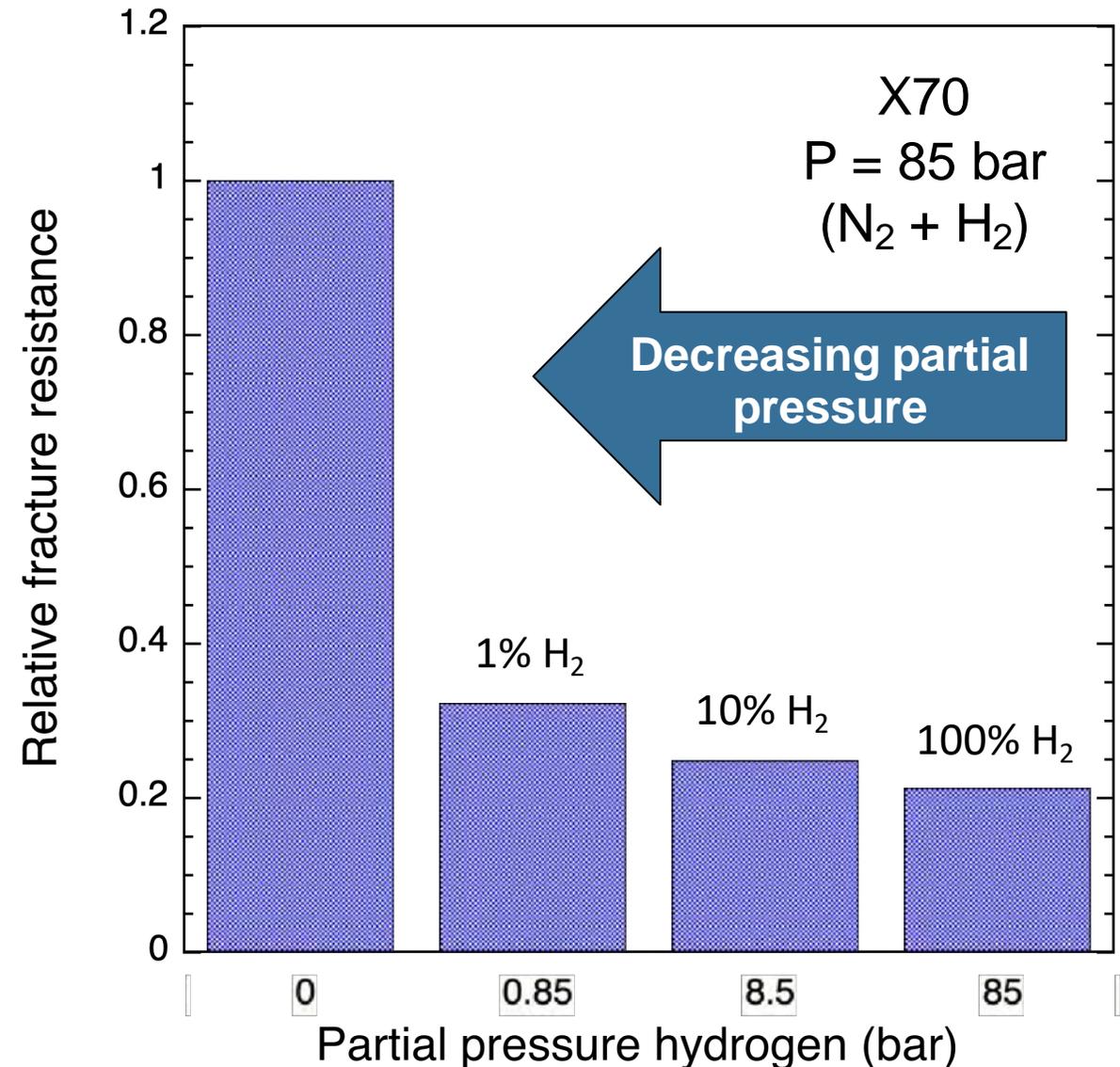
- **Large  $\Delta K$**   
FCG is independent of pressure
  - Fatigue crack growth rate in 3% H<sub>2</sub> is the same as in 100% H<sub>2</sub>
- **Intermediate  $\Delta K$**   
FCG is dependent on hydrogen partial pressure
  - Fatigue crack growth rate is slower in 3% H<sub>2</sub> than in 100% H<sub>2</sub>

**Design curves predict fatigue crack growth rates as a function of H<sub>2</sub> partial pressure (fugacity)**

# Low hydrogen partial pressure = large effect on fracture

- Measurements of fracture resistance in gaseous mixtures of H<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> show substantial effects of H<sub>2</sub>
- 1% H<sub>2</sub> is only modestly different than 100% H<sub>2</sub>
- Fracture resistance does not scale linearly with pressure/fugacity

**<1 bar of H<sub>2</sub> substantially reduces fracture resistance**



# Motivation and Outline

- How is hydrogen delivered and stored?
- What is hydrogen embrittlement and when is it important?
- How does gaseous hydrogen affect fatigue and fracture of (pipeline) steels?
  - Is there a threshold below which hydrogen effects can be ignored?
- **What is the implication of hydrogen on life of pipelines and piping?**

*materials*

*structures*

# Application of materials behavior to structural integrity analysis (example)

- **Material:**

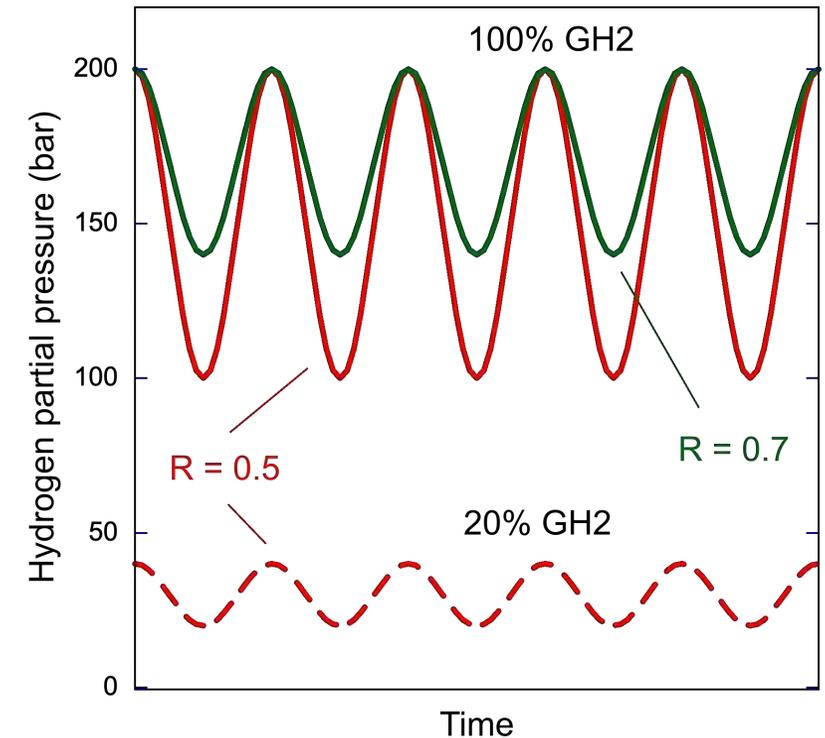
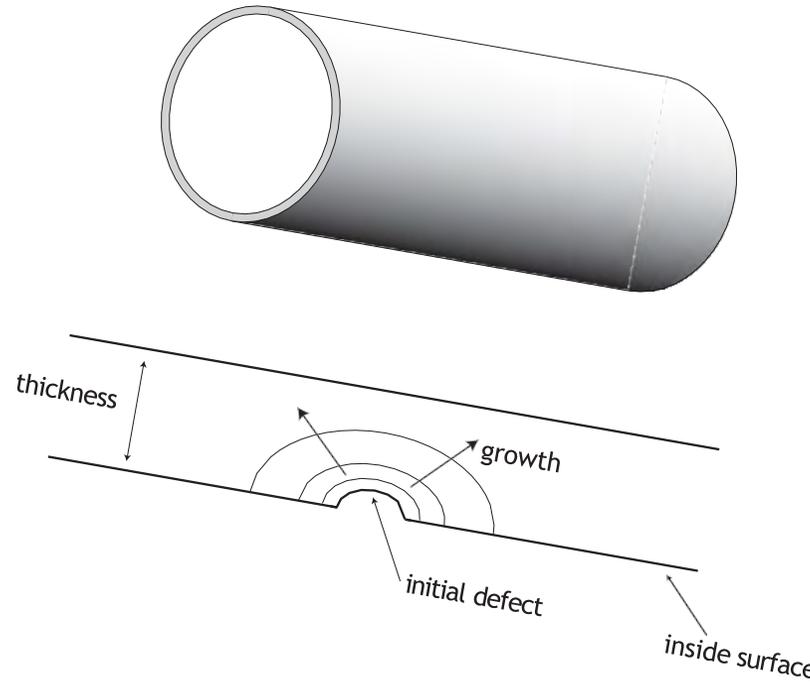
- API grade X52 pipe
- OD = 324 mm
- t = 12.7 mm

- **Environment:**

- Pressure = 200 bar
- GH2 = 20%, 100%

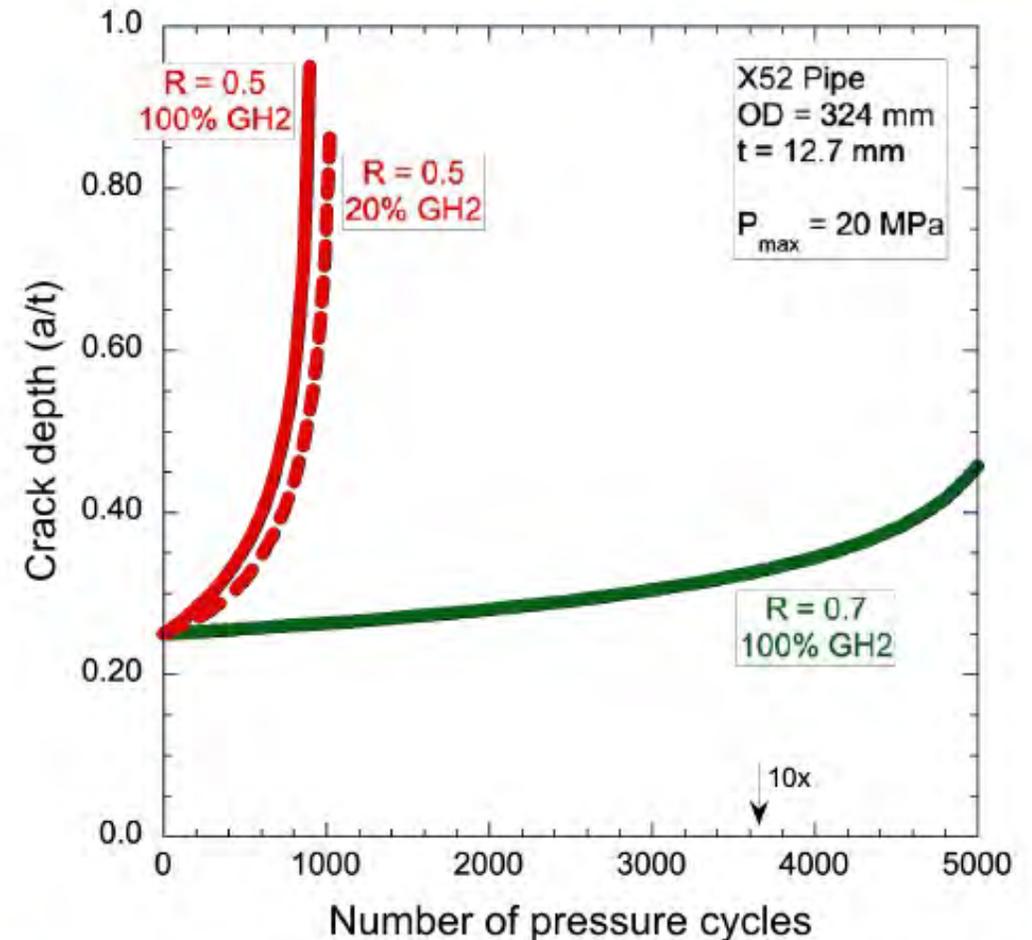
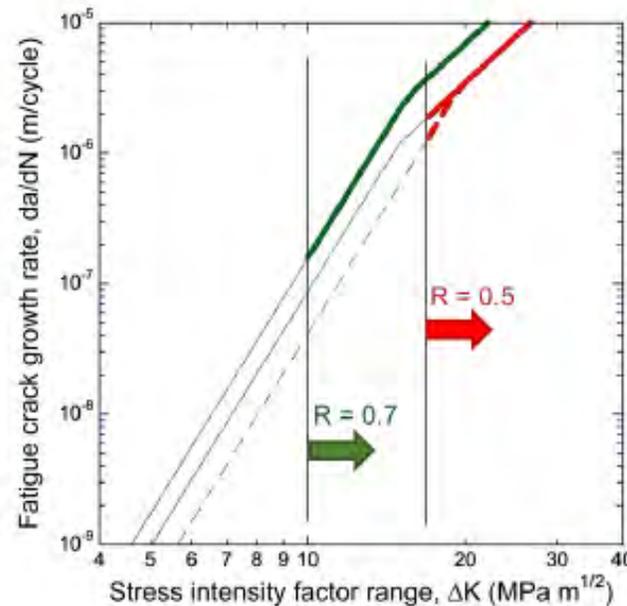
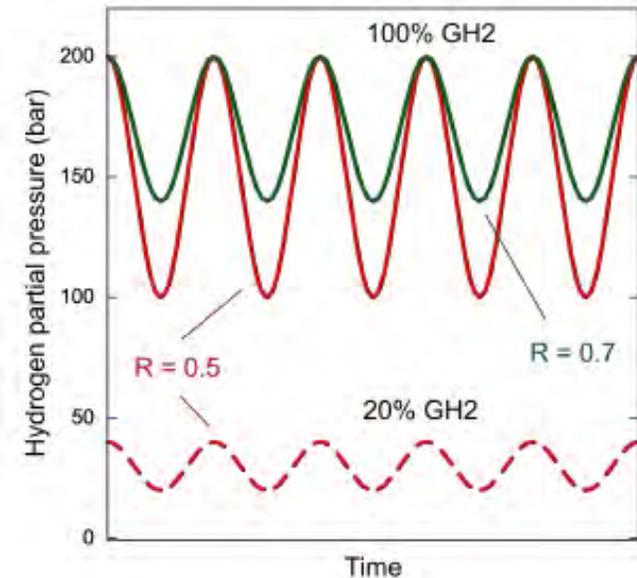
- **Stress:**

- Hoop stress: 68% SMYS
- Cyclic pressure:  $R = P_{\min}/P_{\max} = 0.5, 0.7$
- Flaw
  - depth: 25% of wall thickness (a/t = 0.25)
  - length: 40 mm (2c = 40mm) – propagate with constant aspect ratio



# Analysis of transmission pipe structure (simple example)

- Stress is large in this example
  - $P_{\max} = 20 \text{ MPa}$
  - $\sigma_{\text{hoop}} \sim 68\% \text{ SMYS}$
- Initial crack/ flaw:  $a/t = 0.25$ 
  - $K_{\text{applied}} = 33 \text{ MPa m}^{1/2}$



The blending ratio has no effect on fatigue response (for  $R = 0.5$ )

# Summary

- **How is hydrogen delivered and stored?**
  - Much like natural gas: as gas or liquid depending on use case
- **What is hydrogen embrittlement and when is it important?**
  - Hydrogen reduces fatigue and fracture resistance of steels whenever is present; outcome of this degradation depends on use case
- **How does gaseous hydrogen affect fatigue and fracture of (pipeline) steels?**
  - Is there a threshold below which hydrogen effects can be ignored?
    - No, there is no general threshold below which hydrogen does not affect fatigue and fracture properties of metals
- **What is the implication of hydrogen on life of pipelines and piping?**
  - Depends on characteristics of the structure

materials

structures

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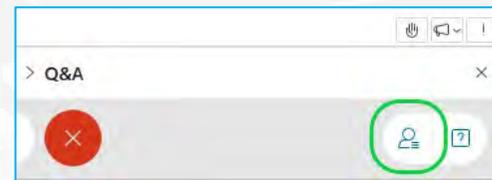
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# Informational resources

- **Technical Reference for Hydrogen Compatibility of Materials**
  - <https://www.sandia.gov/matlsTechRef/>
  - Report no. SAND2012-7321 (Technical Reference v.2)
  - Report no. SAND2013-8904 (polymers)
- **Technical Database for Hydrogen Compatibility of Materials**
  - <https://granta-mi.sandia.gov/>
- **Study Group on Materials Testing and Qualification for Hydrogen Service**
  - Annual topical discussion group: international and industrial participation
- **ASME Pressure Vessels and Piping Division Annual Conference (2005 - current)**
  - *Materials for Hydrogen Service*: session organization (2014-current)
- **Expanded resources under development at**
  - Including H-Mat DataHUB (<https://h-mat.org> )

# Background: thermodynamics (origin of fugacity)

H in metals:  $\mu^H = \mu_o^H + RT \ln c_H$

Gas phase:  $\mu^{HH} = \mu_o^{HH} + RT \ln f_{HH}$

At equilibrium:  $\frac{1}{2}H_2 \leftrightarrow [H]$

$$\frac{1}{2}\mu^{HH} = \mu^H$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}\mu_o^{HH} - \mu_o^H}{RT} = \ln \frac{c_H}{(f_{HH})^{1/2}}$$

General form of  
Sieverts' Law

$$K = \frac{c_H}{(f_{HH})^{1/2}}$$

Equation of state for H<sub>2</sub>  
Abel-Noble formulation

$$V_m = \frac{RT}{P_{HH}} + b$$

Pure gaseous H<sub>2</sub>:

$$f_{HH} = P_{HH} \exp\left(\frac{bP_{HH}}{RT}\right)$$

Blended H<sub>2</sub>:

$$f_{HH} = P_{HH} \exp\left(\frac{bP_{total}}{RT}\right)$$

# Background: stress intensity factor, $K$

What is this in the stress intensity factor,  $K$ ?

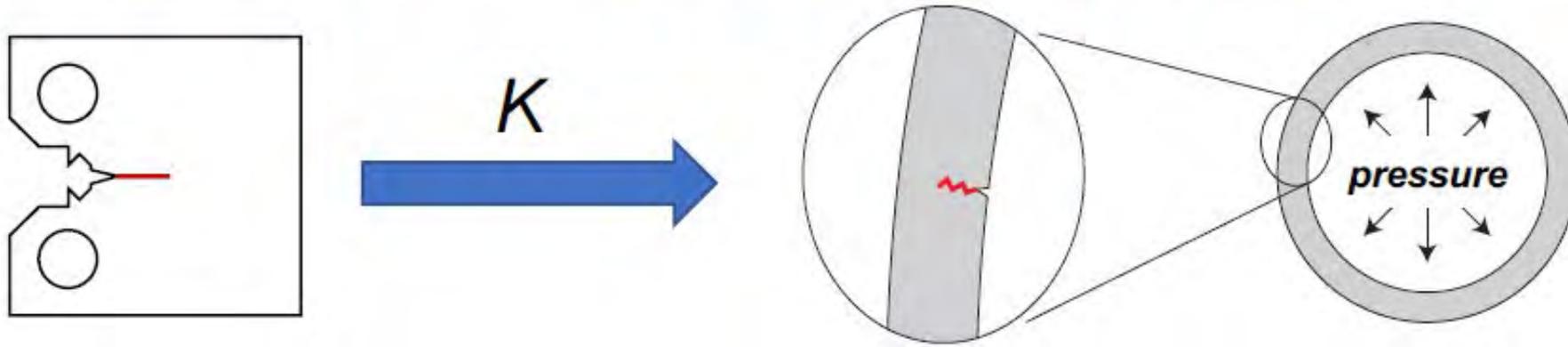
$$K = \sigma \sqrt{\pi a} \times f(\text{geometry})$$

$\sigma = \text{stress}$   
 $a = \text{crack size}$

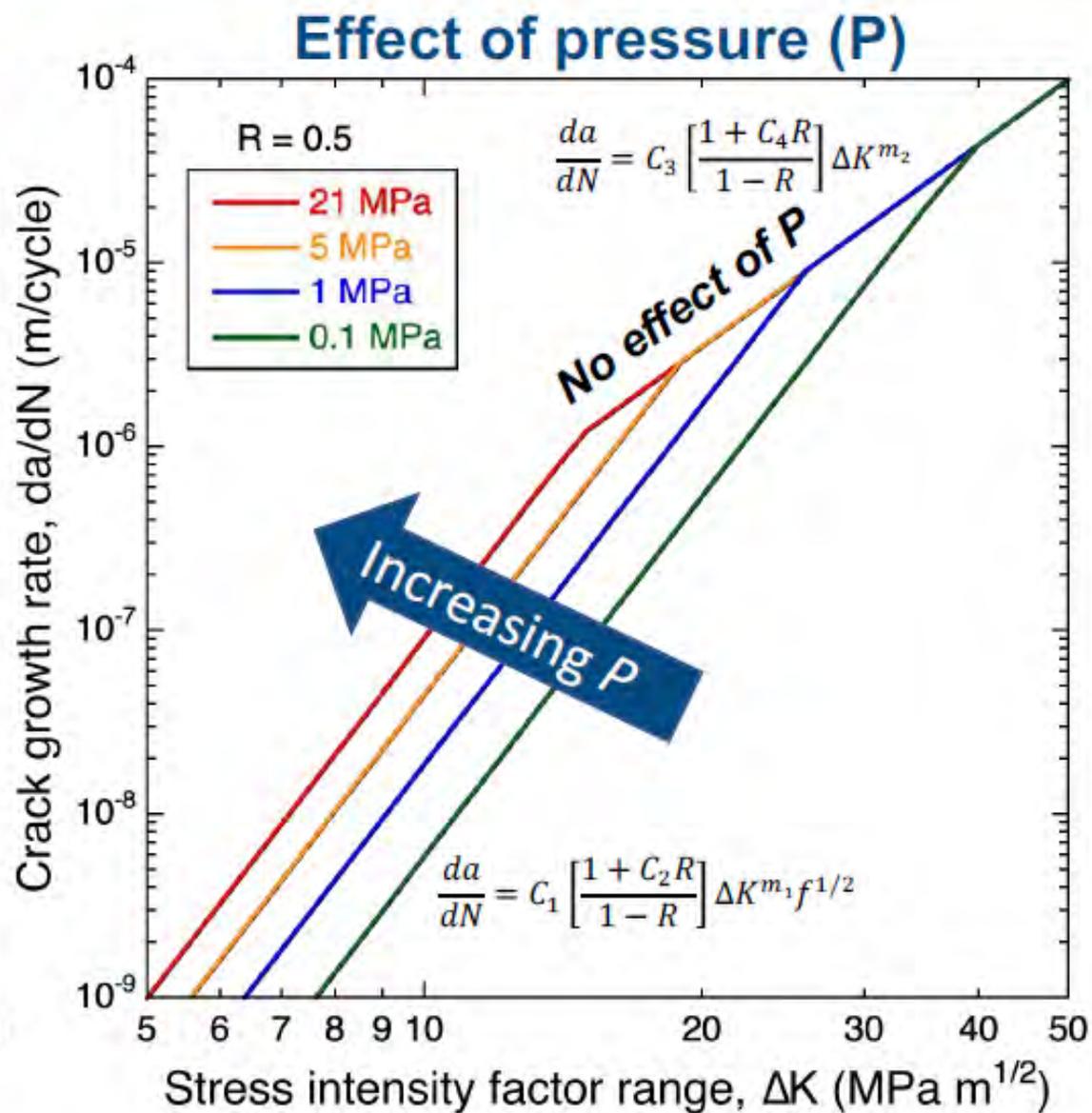
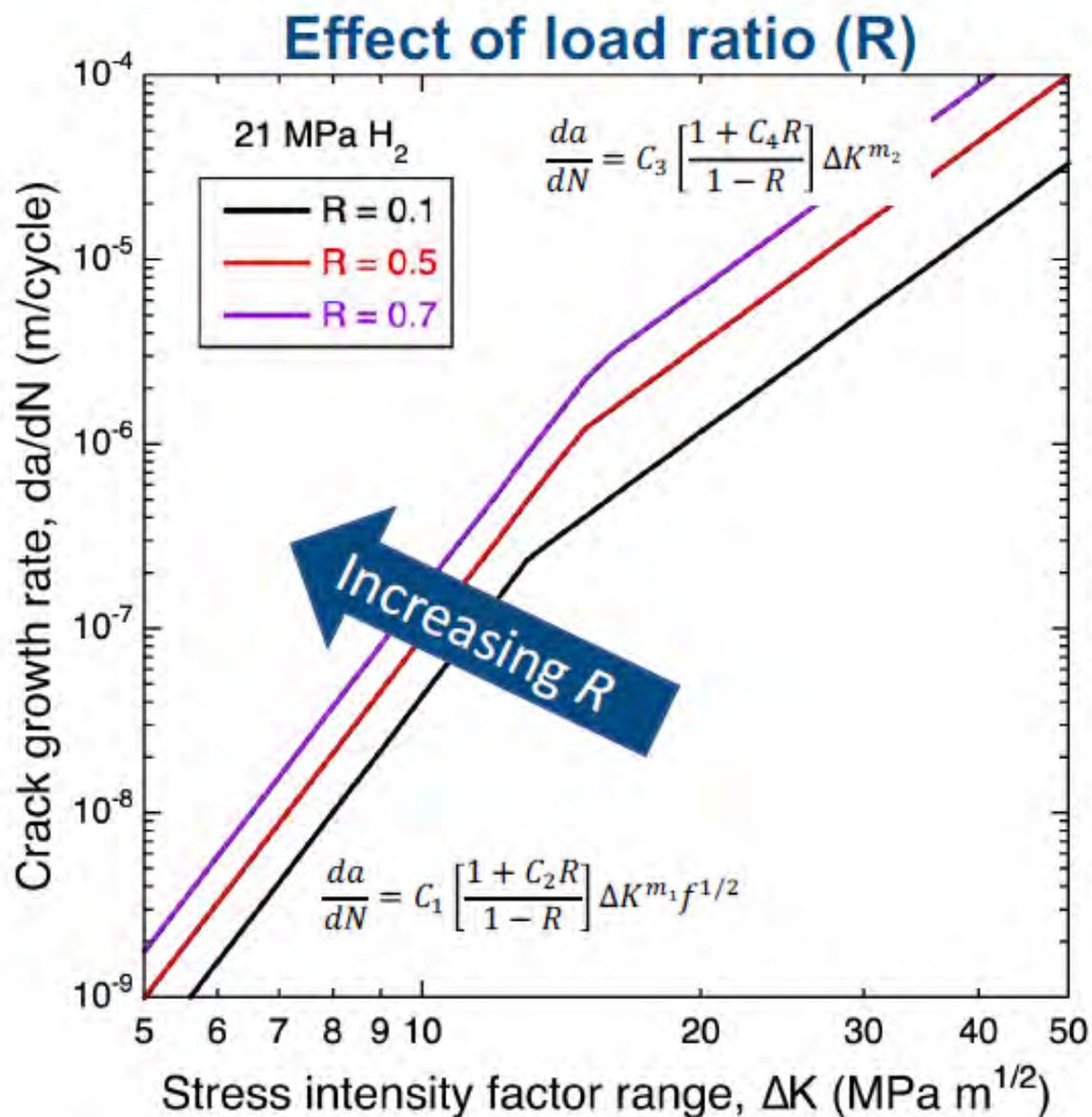
$$\Delta K = K_{\max} - K_{\min}$$

$$R = \frac{K_{\min}}{K_{\max}}$$

- $K$  characterizes the stress state at a crack tip
  - analogous to the stress, but for the case of cracks in structures
- $K$  is a transferable parameter that is used to generalize the state of a crack and transfer information between one geometry and another
  - for example between a laboratory test and a real-world application



# Design curves enable upper bound prediction for fatigue crack growth as function of loading and pressure

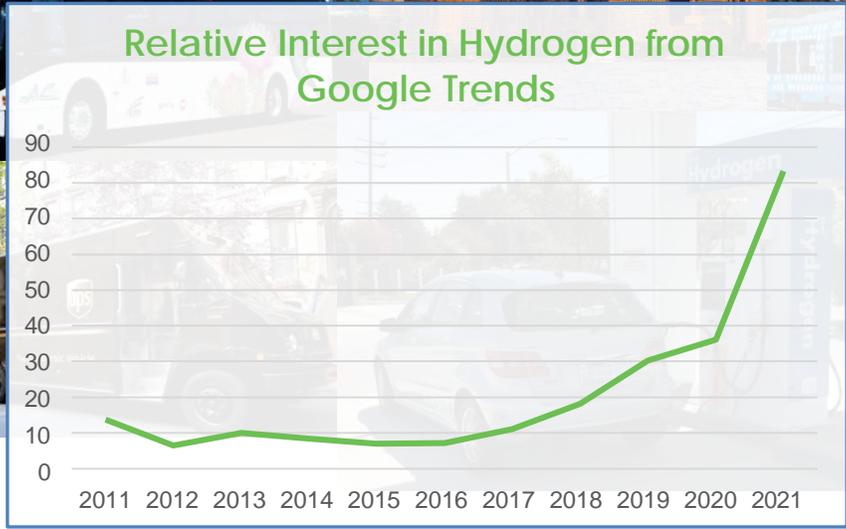


# Hydrogen Safety Considerations and Resources

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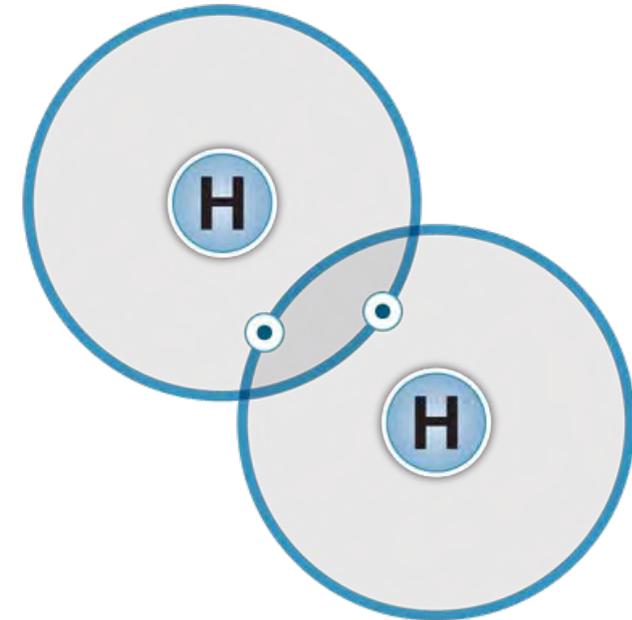


# Hydrogen's Great Potential



# Hydrogen Properties and Behavior

- ▶ **Gas** at ambient conditions
  - Rises and disperses rapidly (14x lighter than air)
  - Flammable range 4-75% in air
- ▶ **Liquid** at  $-253^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-423^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) – a *cryogen*
  - $\text{LH}_2$  stored at 50 psi in vacuum insulated tanks
  - No liquid phase in compressed gas  $\text{H}_2$  storage
  - Liquid hydrogen expands about 850 times when transitioning transforming from liquid to gas phase
- ▶ **Energy content comparison :**
  - 1 kg of hydrogen ~ 1 gallon gasoline
  - 33.3 kWh/kg hydrogen vs. 32.8 kWh/gal gasoline



*Molecular Hydrogen Model:  
2 protons ( $\text{H}^+$ ) sharing 2 electrons ( $\text{e}^-$ )*

# Additional Properties of Hydrogen

## ▶ Description

- Colorless, odorless, tasteless

## ▶ General Properties

- Flammable
- Non-irritating, nontoxic, asphyxiant
- Non-corrosive
- Lightest gas, buoyant, can escape earth's gravity



## Potential Hazards

- Combustion (fire and explosion)
- Pressure hazards
- Low temperature
- Hydrogen-induced material embrittlement
- Asphyxiation (rare)

## ▶ Physical Properties

- |                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| • GH <sub>2</sub> density @ NTP    | 0.0838 kg/m <sup>3</sup> (1/15 <sup>th</sup> air) |
| • GH <sub>2</sub> specific gravity | 0.0696 (Air = 1.0)                                |
| • Viscosity                        | 33.64 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> kg/m hr (1/2 air)        |
| • Diffusivity                      | 1.697 m <sup>2</sup> /hr (4x NG in air)           |
| • Thermal Conductivity             | 0.157 kcal/m hr K (7 x air)                       |

# Hydrogen Properties: A Comparison

	Hydrogen Gas	Natural Gas	Gasoline
<b>Toxicity</b>	None	Some	High
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	Yes (mercaptan)	Yes (benzene)
<b>Buoyancy</b> <i>Relative to Air</i>	14X Lighter	2X Lighter	Vapor is 3.75X Heavier
<b>Flammable Range</b> by volume in air	4-75%	5-15%	1.4-7.6%
<b>Autoignition Temperature (C)</b>	585°	539°	232°
<b>Minimum Ignition Energy (mJ)</b>	0.017	0.288	0.250-0.300
<b>Energy</b> by Weight	2.8X > Gasoline	~1.2X > Gasoline	43 MJ/kg
<b>Energy</b> by Volume	4X < Gasoline	1.5X < Gasoline	120 MJ/Gallon

# State of Hydrogen Safety

Safety issues can be a 'deal breaker' and must be addressed for successful hydrogen technology acceptance and deployment

## Its Use as a Fuel is New to Many

- ▶ Users may lack experience or expertise for its safe use
- ▶ Some users have misconceptions... and may not know that they don't know



## Stable Foundation

- ▶ Hydrogen can be used safely... It has been for nearly a century by industry
- ▶ Safety knowledge and best practices exist

## Dangerous Assumptions

- ▶ "We already know how to use hydrogen safety" (apathy - established users)
- ▶ "Hydrogen is like any other flammable gas" (misconceptions - new players)
- ▶ "Hydrogen is too dangerous" (fear - general public/AHJ's)

Failure to address the knowledge gaps can result in impactful incidents and industry setbacks

# Hydrogen Incidents... Seeing the Common Thread

## ▶ Electrolyzer

- Personnel did not fully understand the interrelation of electrolyzer membrane gas permeability, membrane degradation, and dynamic operating range

## ▶ Hydrogen Vehicle Fueling Station

- Assembly error of an end plug for the high-pressure hydrogen tank

## ▶ Hydrogen Transport

- Incorrect pressure relief devices installed during maintenance

## ▶ Hydrogen Tanker Loading

- Unauthorized repair and failure to follow procedures

## ▶ Hydrogen Bus Fueling Station

- Incompatible pressure relief device installed



Courtesy of Gangwon Fire HeadQuarter

Damage from Electrolyzer Incident

# Common Fuels Incidents

All fuels contain energy and can be hazardous if handled improperly

## ▶ Gasoline

- ~1,000 fueling station fires per year in the U.S. as a result of gasoline ignition (2004-2008) (NFPA)
- ~171,500 highway vehicle fires in the U.S. between 2014 and 2016 (FEMA)
  - 345 deaths
  - 1,300 injuries
  - \$1.1 billion USD in property loss
  - 13% of all fires responded to by fire departments

## ▶ Natural Gas – average/year (U.S. 2007-2011) (NFPA)

- 13,730 fires
- 35 deaths
- 254 injuries
- \$303 million USD property damage



2019 Gasoline Station Fire

## Three Parts, One Purpose, Strong Together

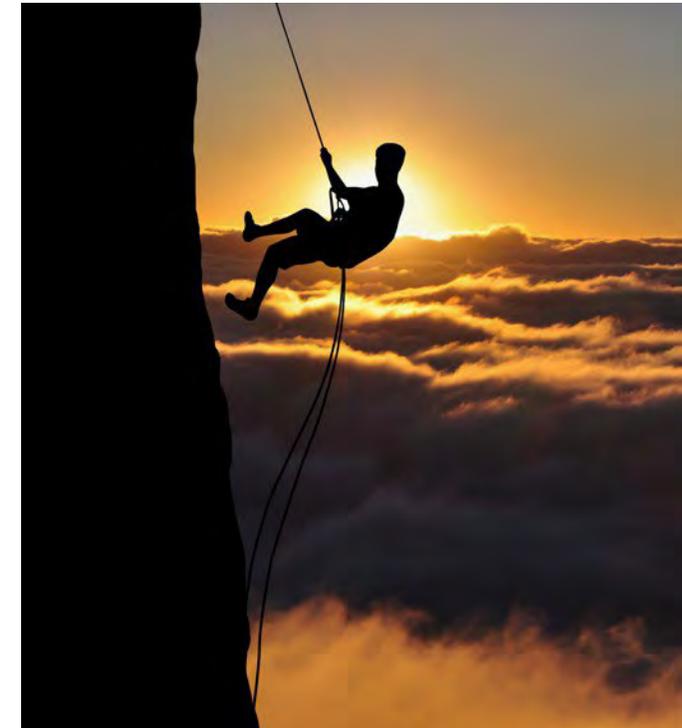
A threefold cord is not quickly broken



Implement  
Regulations,  
Codes and  
Standards

Utilize  
Best Safety  
Practices

Be  
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in Safety



# Implement Regulations, Codes and Standards

*Hydrogen regulations, codes and standards (RCS) are maturing quickly for many mainstream fuel cell applications*

- ▶ RCS provide the information needed to safely build, maintain, and operate equipment, systems, and facilities
- ▶ Ensures uniformity of safety requirements
- ▶ Provides inspectors and safety officials the information needed to approve systems and installations
- ▶ Bolsters public and stakeholder confidence and helps protect investments



**Did you know?** Many codes and standards were developed using industry best practices.

See [http://www.fuelcellstandards.com/...](http://www.fuelcellstandards.com/) a database of international codes and standards

# Example International Codes and Standards

## International

- ▶ ISO TC/197 Hydrogen Technologies
  - 17 published standards (4 in development)
  - 22 participating countries
- ▶ IEC TC/105 Fuel Cell Technologies
  - 24 published standards (11 in development)
  - 19 participating countries

## North America

- ▶ NFPA 2 *Hydrogen Technologies Code*
- ▶ CAN/BNQ 1784 *Canadian Hydrogen Installation Code*

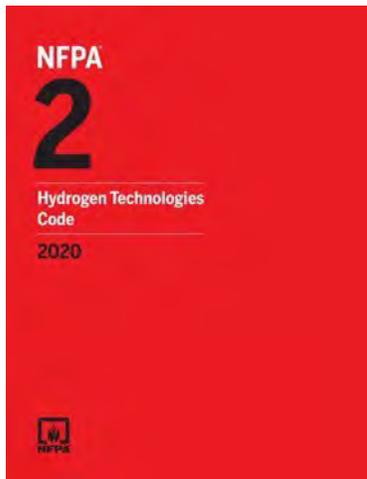
Codes and Standards Resource: <https://h2tools.org/codes-standards>

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# U.S. Codes and Standards for Hydrogen Facilities



## Model Code References to NFPA 2



### National Hydrogen Specific Codes<sup>78</sup>

- NFPA 2 Hydrogen Technologies Code
- NFPA 30A Motor Fuel Dispensing Facilities and Repair Garages
- NFPA 55 Compressed Gases and Cryogenic Fluids Code

### Component Design Standards

- ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel<sup>79</sup>
- ASME B31.12–Hydrogen Piping and Pipelines
- ASME B31.1–Power Piping
- ASME B31.8–Gas Transmission and Distribution Piping Systems
- ASME B31.8S–Managing System Integrity of Gas Pipelines
- ASME B31.3–Process Piping
- CGA S-1.1-3: Pressure Relief Device Standards
- CGA-G-5.5: Hydrogen Vent Systems
- SAE J2600–Compressed Hydrogen Surface Vehicle Fueling Connection Devices
- UL 2075–Standard for Gas and Vapor Detectors and Sensors
- NFPA 77 and API RP 2003 offer guidance on grounding and static electricity

### Model Codes

- International Fire Code
- International Building Code

### Component Listing and Design Standards

Currently, few existing components are tested to listing standards implemented by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (NRTL). AHJs may allow the station manufacturer to provide technical information to prove that the compression, storage, and dispensing components used are fit for service. As the market develops, the list of listed components (and systems) is expected to grow.

### Station Developer Standards (For informational use)

- SAE J2601–Fueling Protocols for Light Duty Gaseous Hydrogen Surface Vehicles<sup>80</sup>
- SAE J2799–Hydrogen Surface Vehicle to Station Communications Hardware and Software
- SAE J2719–Hydrogen Fuel Quality for Fuel Cell Vehicles
- HGV CSA Series Standards (currently being updated)

# Utilize Best Safety Practices

**Best practice...** a technique or methodology that has reliably led to a desired result

Utilizing Best Safety practices:

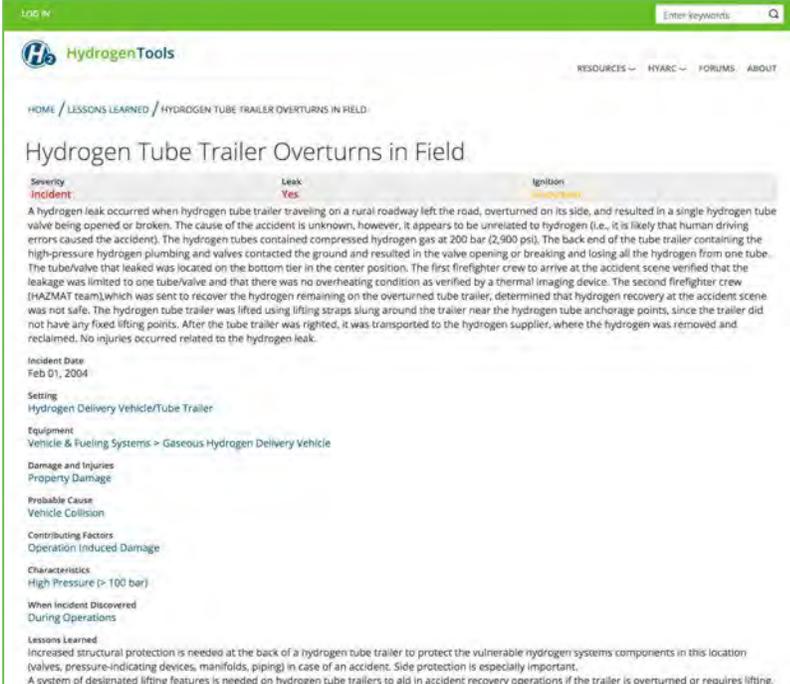
- ▶ Implements the benefits of extensive experience in the safe use of hydrogen
- ▶ Protects people, equipment and environment and minimizes risk of incidents
- ▶ Is demonstrated by their incorporation into designs, standard operating procedures, etc.

**Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.**

- George Santayana

More info... <https://h2tools.org/bestpractices/best-practices-overview>

**Did you know?** Hydrogen best safety practices are based on a wealth of knowledge and experience related to safe use and handling of hydrogen exists as a result of an extensive history in a wide variety of industrial and aerospace settings.



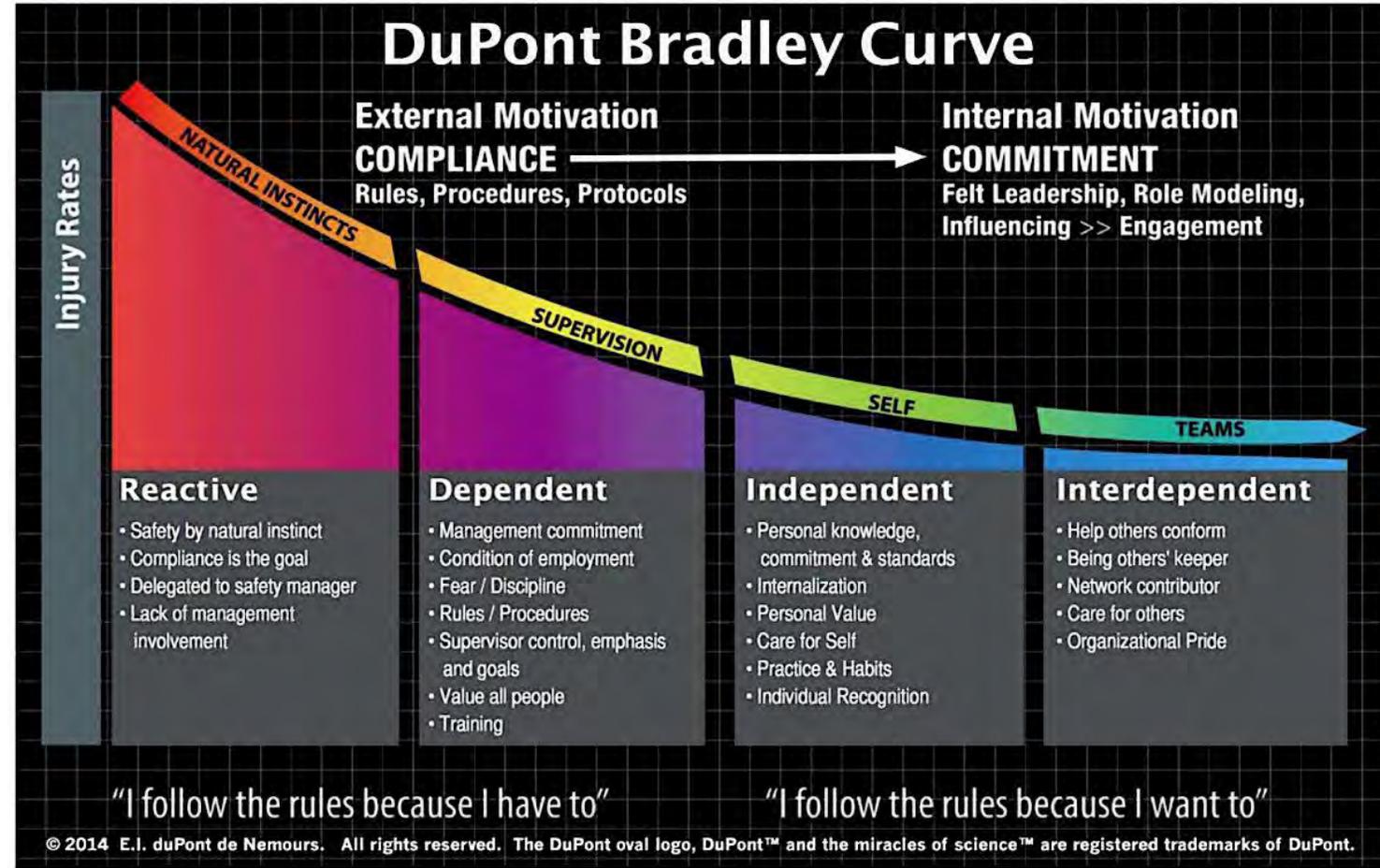
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A best practice record from h2tools.org

# Be Invested in Safety

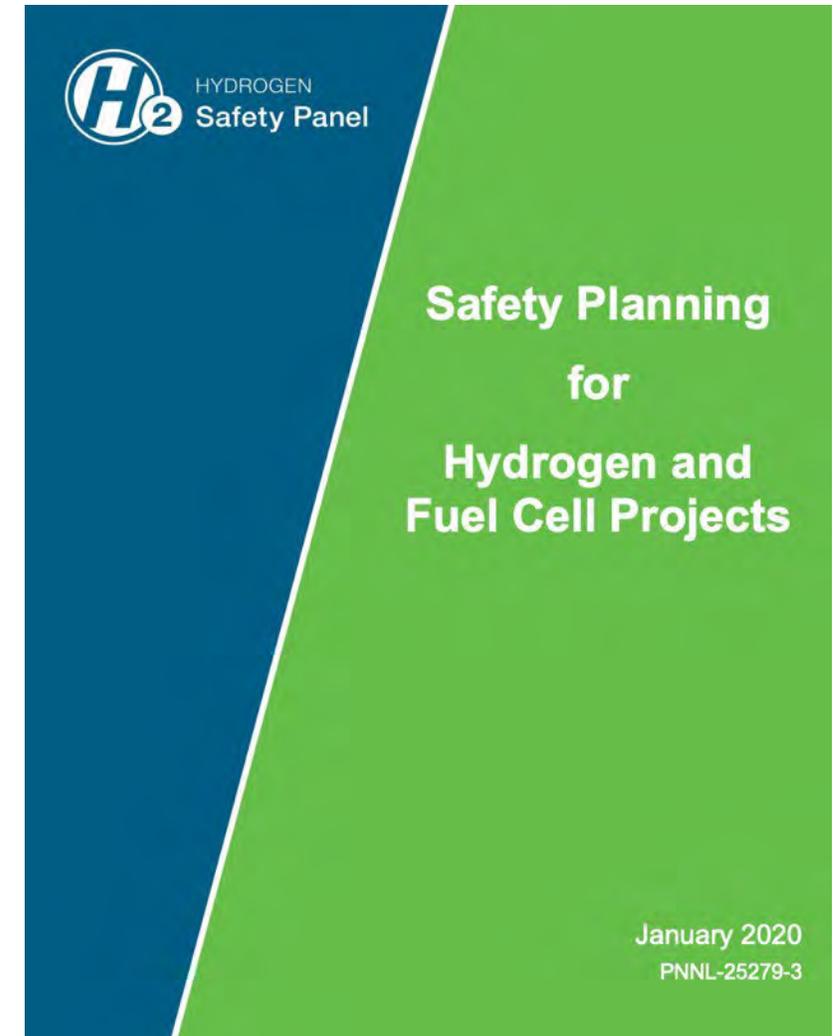
Investment in Safety:

- ▶ Is directly impacted by your organization's:
  - Beliefs
  - Perceptions
  - Values
- ▶ Is critical for:
  - Building a sustainable legacy
  - Maximizing an organization's impact and reaching goals
  - Ensuring long-term acceptance of the hydrogen industry
- ▶ Must be demonstrated
  - A culture of safety



# General Safety Planning

- ▶ Safety planning should be embraced as an integral part of the design, construction, operation and maintenance of a system rather than being considered an after thought or a barriers to overcome
- ▶ Safe practices in the production, storage, distribution, and use of hydrogen are **essential to protect people from injury or death, and to minimize damage to facilities**
- ▶ Safe practices will also help avoid negatively impacting the public's perception of hydrogen systems
- ▶ Helpful guidance on safety planning can be found at <https://h2tools.org/bestpractices/safety-planning>.



# The Safety Basics

Hydrogen safety, like all flammable gas, relies on these key safety considerations:

- ▶ Eliminate hazards or define mitigation measures
- ▶ Ensure system integrity
- ▶ Provide proper ventilation to prevent accumulation
- ▶ Manage discharges
- ▶ Detect and isolate leaks
- ▶ Train personnel



Photo courtesy of Cummins



# Resources to Help You Navigate to Safety



## Hydrogen Tools

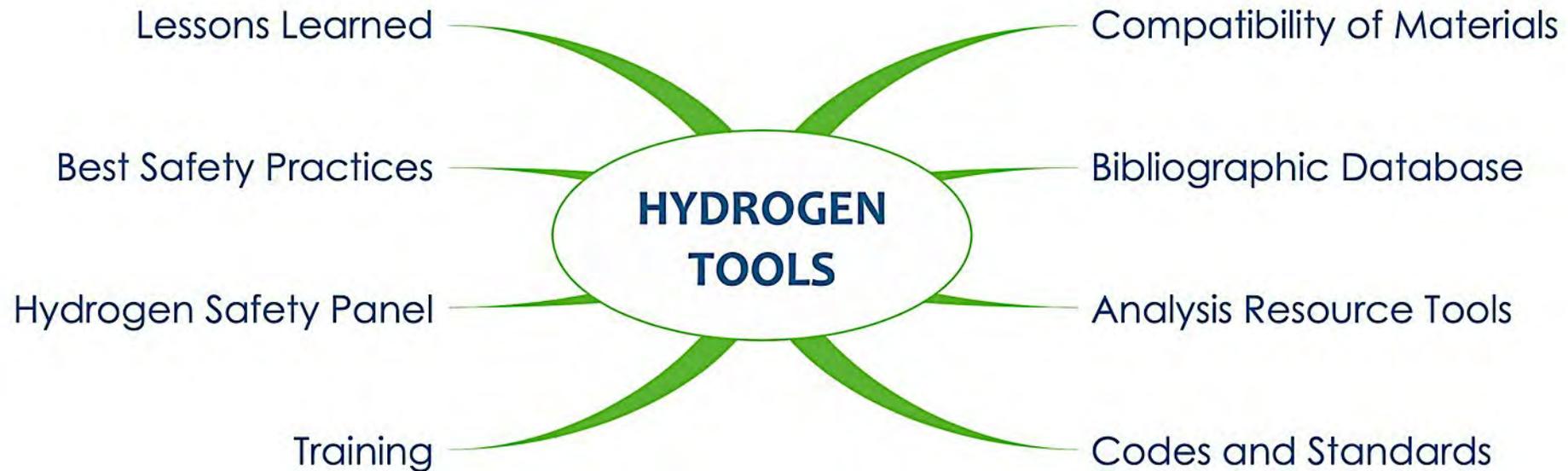
An online hydrogen information portal  
URL: [h2tools.org](https://h2tools.org)



An international nonprofit focused on  
applied hydrogen safety  
URL: [www.aiche.org/chs](https://www.aiche.org/chs)



Significant hydrogen safety resources in one location

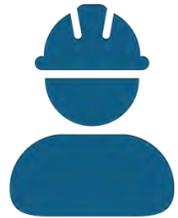


- ▶ Supports implementation of the safe handling practices and procedures
- ▶ Brings together a variety of tools and web-based content on safety of hydrogen
- ▶ Informs designers, stakeholders and first responders

# Center for Hydrogen Safety's Strategic Vision



**Champion** hydrogen safety and best practices worldwide



**Empower** stakeholders and the workforce



**Ensure** the safe and timely transition to hydrogen and fuel cell technology



*Bringing together a global nonprofit membership to expand the body of safety knowledge*



- ▶ **Collaborate** in a global hydrogen safety community
  - Demonstrate commitment to safety - “License to do business”
  - Participate in member meetings
  - Contribute to working groups and conferences



- ▶ Access resources to **remove barriers** and manage risk
  - Hydrogen Safety Panel
  - Hazard analysis, site evaluation, custom training
  - Outreach, incident investigation



- ▶ **Increase knowledge** and expertise
  - Training courses, credentialing, and webinars
  - Conferences and workshops
  - Best practices and incident resources
  - Technical bulletins

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# Education and Training



<https://tinyurl.com/CHS-Course>

## Fundamental Hydrogen Safety E-Courses

- Hydrogen as an Energy Carrier
- Properties and Hazards
- Safety Planning
- Facility Design
- Equipment and Components
- Liquid Systems
- Material Compatibility
- System Operation
- Inspection & Maintenance
- Laboratories\*
- Electrolyzer Safety\*
- Fueling Stations\*
- Hazard Analysis for H<sub>2</sub> Facilities\*

## First Responder Hydrogen Safety E-Courses

- Introduction to Hydrogen Safety for First Responders
- First Responders Micro Training Learning Plan
- Introduction to Hydrogen Fuel Cell Vehicles for Incident Response
- Fire Response & Extrication of a Hydrogen Fuel Cell Vehicle
- Transport of Hydrogen Fuel
- Hydrogen Fueling Station Incident Response

## Other Training Resources

- Safety of Water Electrolysis [Recorded Webinar]
- Global Hydrogen Safety Codes and Standards [Recorded Webinar]
- Ventilation Considerations for Hydrogen Safety [Recorded Webinar]
- Material Compatibility Considerations for Hydrogen [Recorded Webinar]
- Custom Virtual or In Person Hydrogen Safety Training

\* Available late 2022 or early 2023

*We must recognize that with the promise of hydrogen comes the responsibility of safety*

- ▶ Applications using hydrogen will grow in volume and diversity
- ▶ Because hydrogen as a fuel is still new, the best methods of handling, storage, transport, and use may not be well understood by participants
- ▶ Safe practices for the production, storage, distribution, and use of hydrogen are essential
- ▶ CHS and the Hydrogen Tools Portal are available to help project participants to understand and apply safe practices

Thanks for Your Attention!



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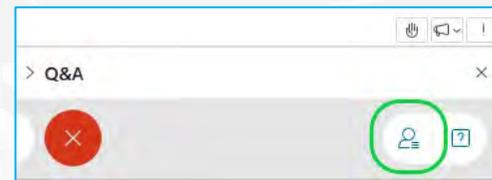
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**Facilitation:  
*Ideation & Taking Stock***

# ***Closing & Next Steps***

- **Materials, recordings, and additional information to be made available at [www.nyserda.ny.gov/hydrogen](http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/hydrogen)**
- **Join our email list for future updates/events: <https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/Researchers-and-Policymakers/Hydrogen/Contact-Us>**
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