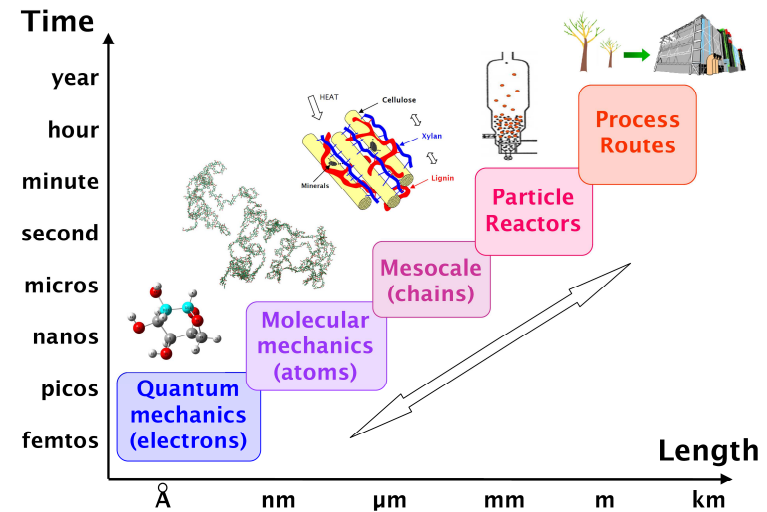


Valorisation énergétique et chimique du bois : mécanismes, procédés et filières

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Valorisation « prioritaire » de la biomasse...

Valorisation
prioritaire



Maintien de la
biodiversité

Patrimoine
culturel

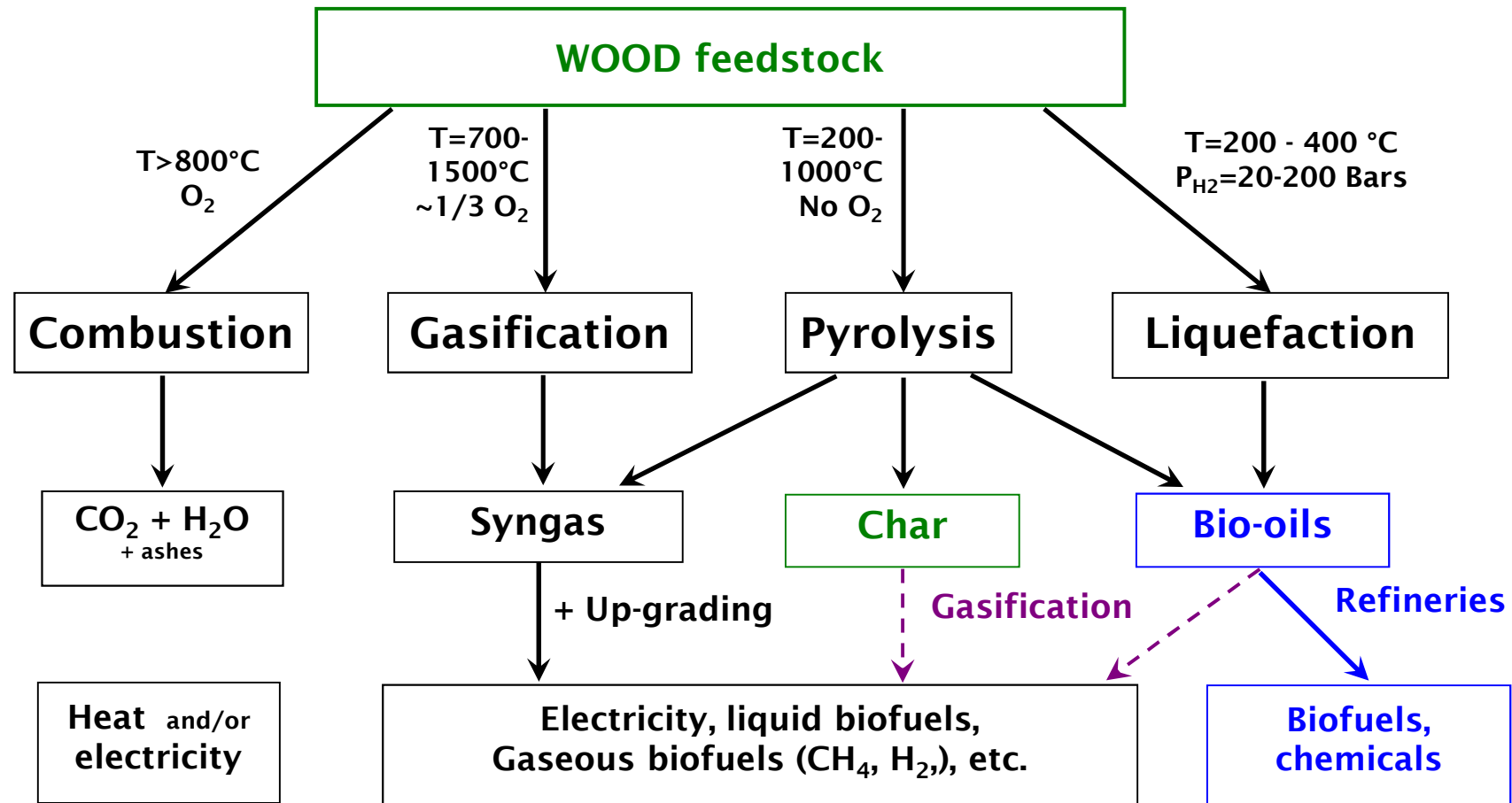
Valorisation chimique
des molécules (santé)

Valorisation
alimentaire

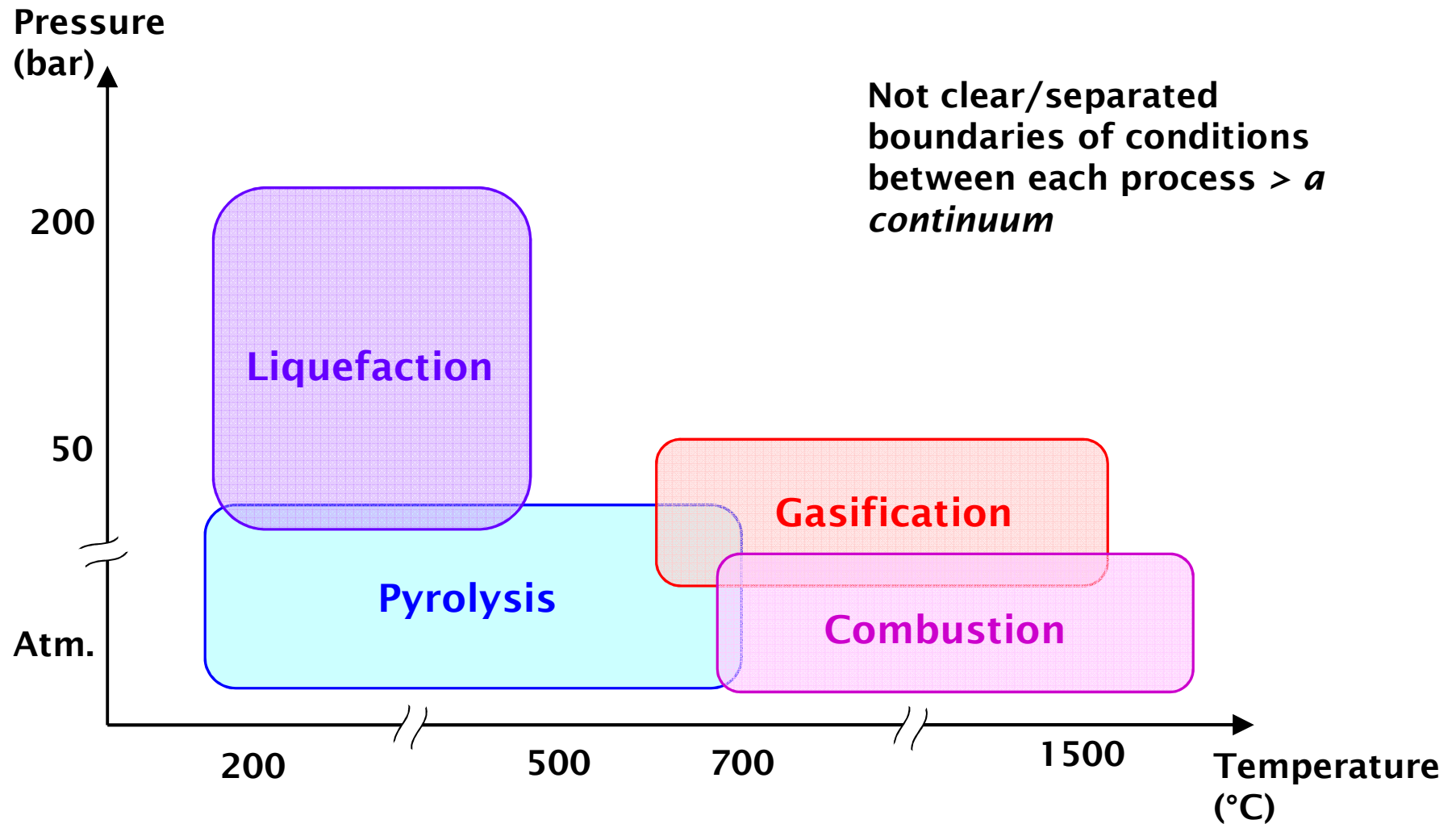
Valorisation matière
(construction, fibres)

Valorisation
énergétique

Heat, electricity, biofuels and chemicals can be produced by wood thermochemical conversion

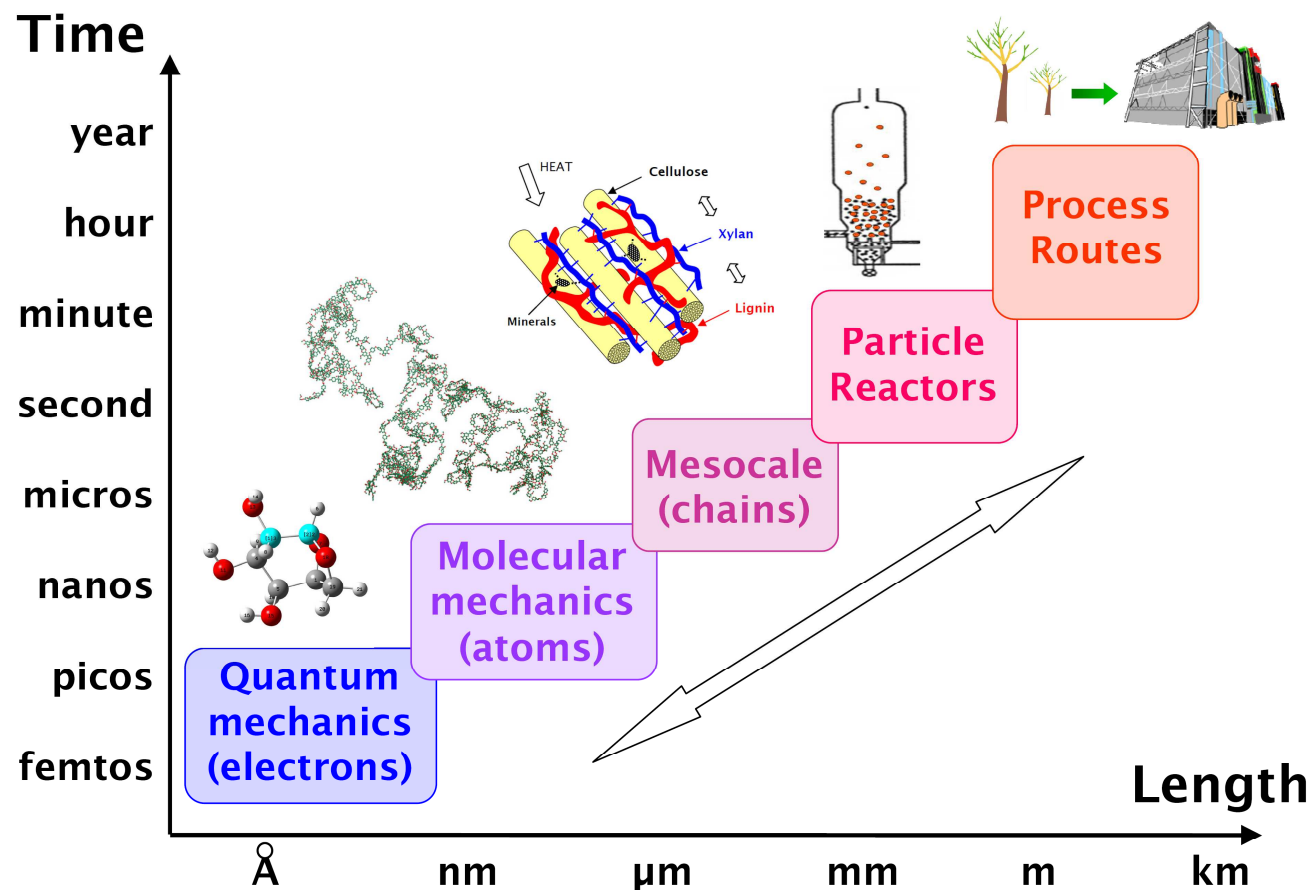


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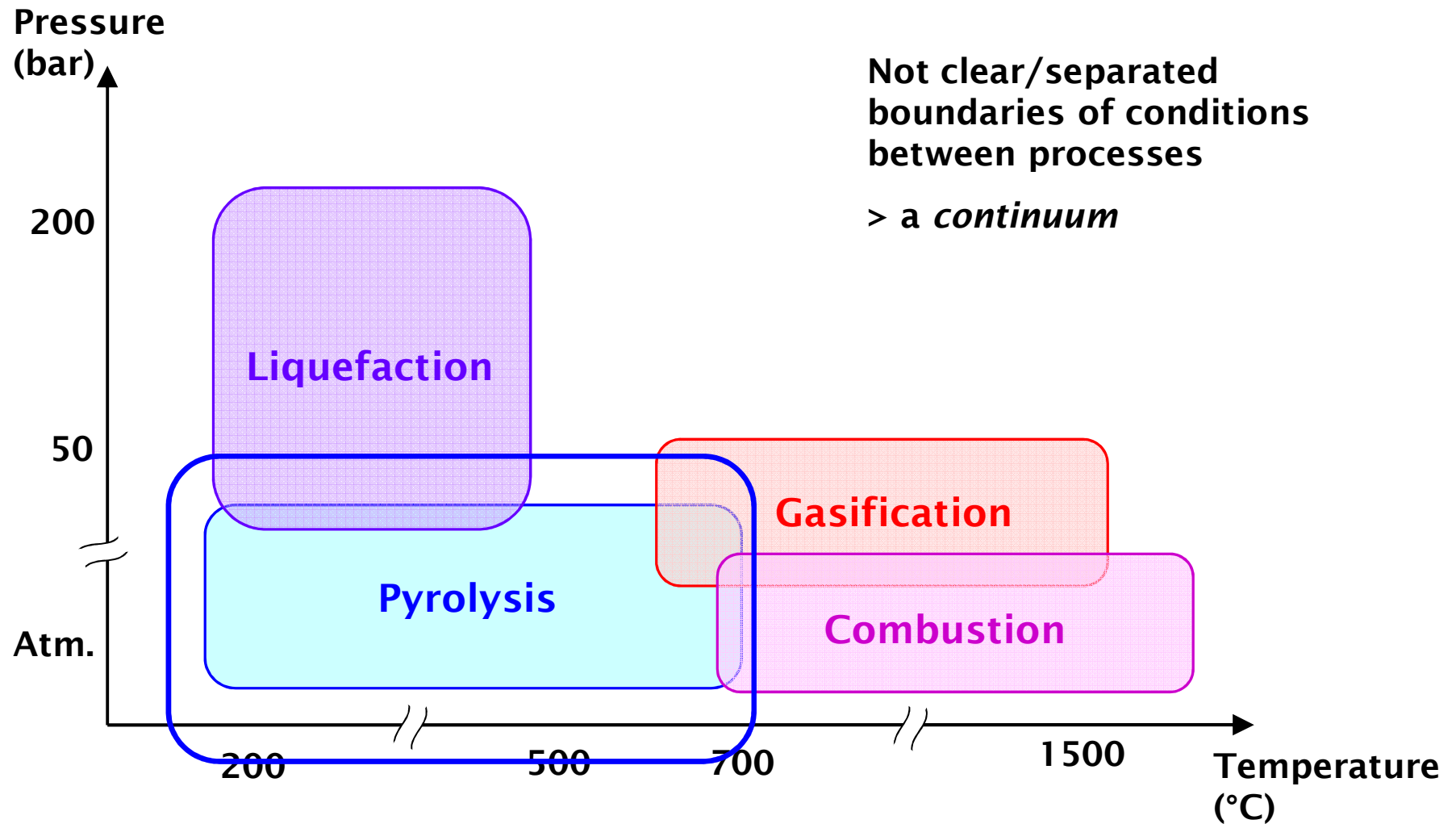


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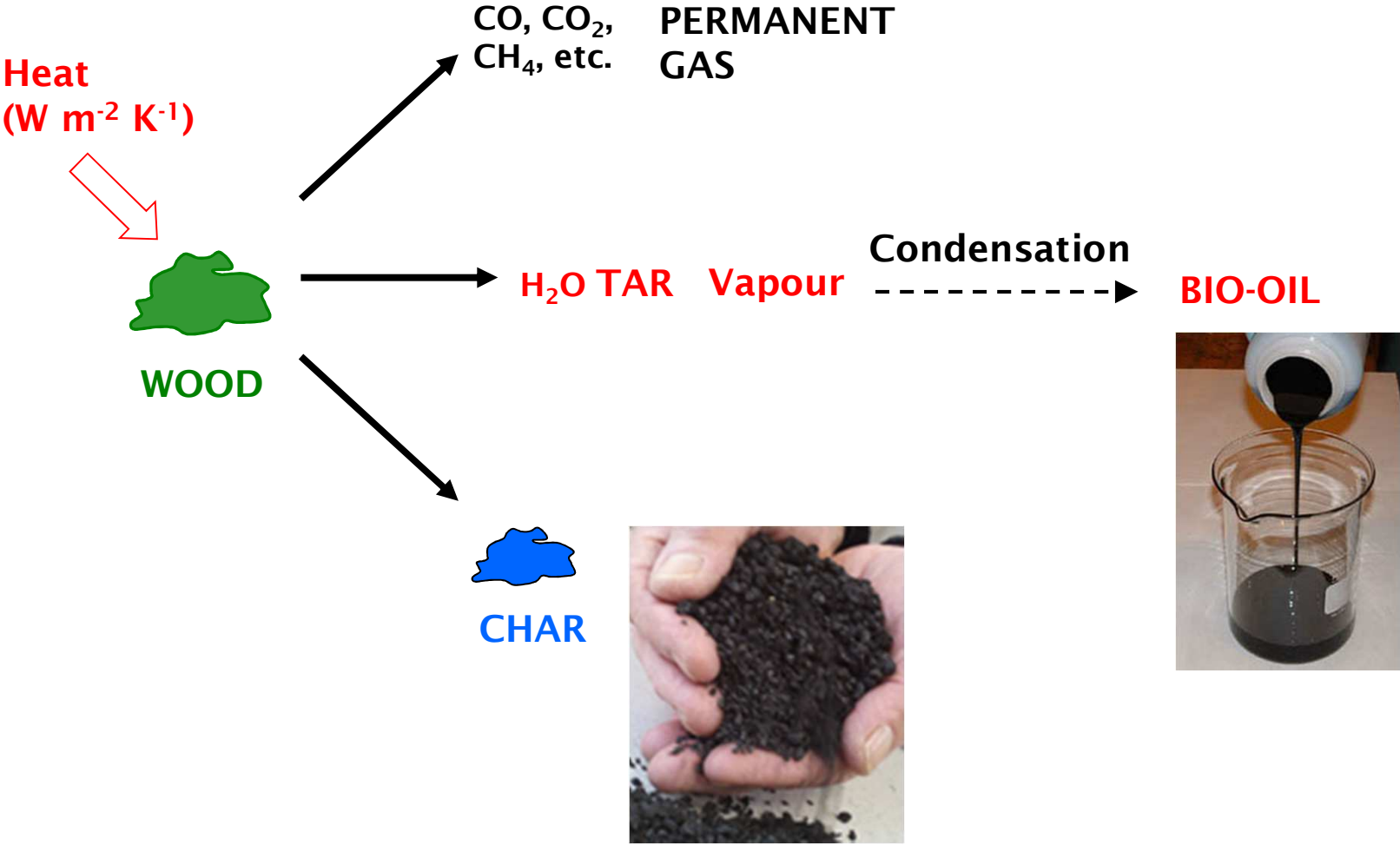
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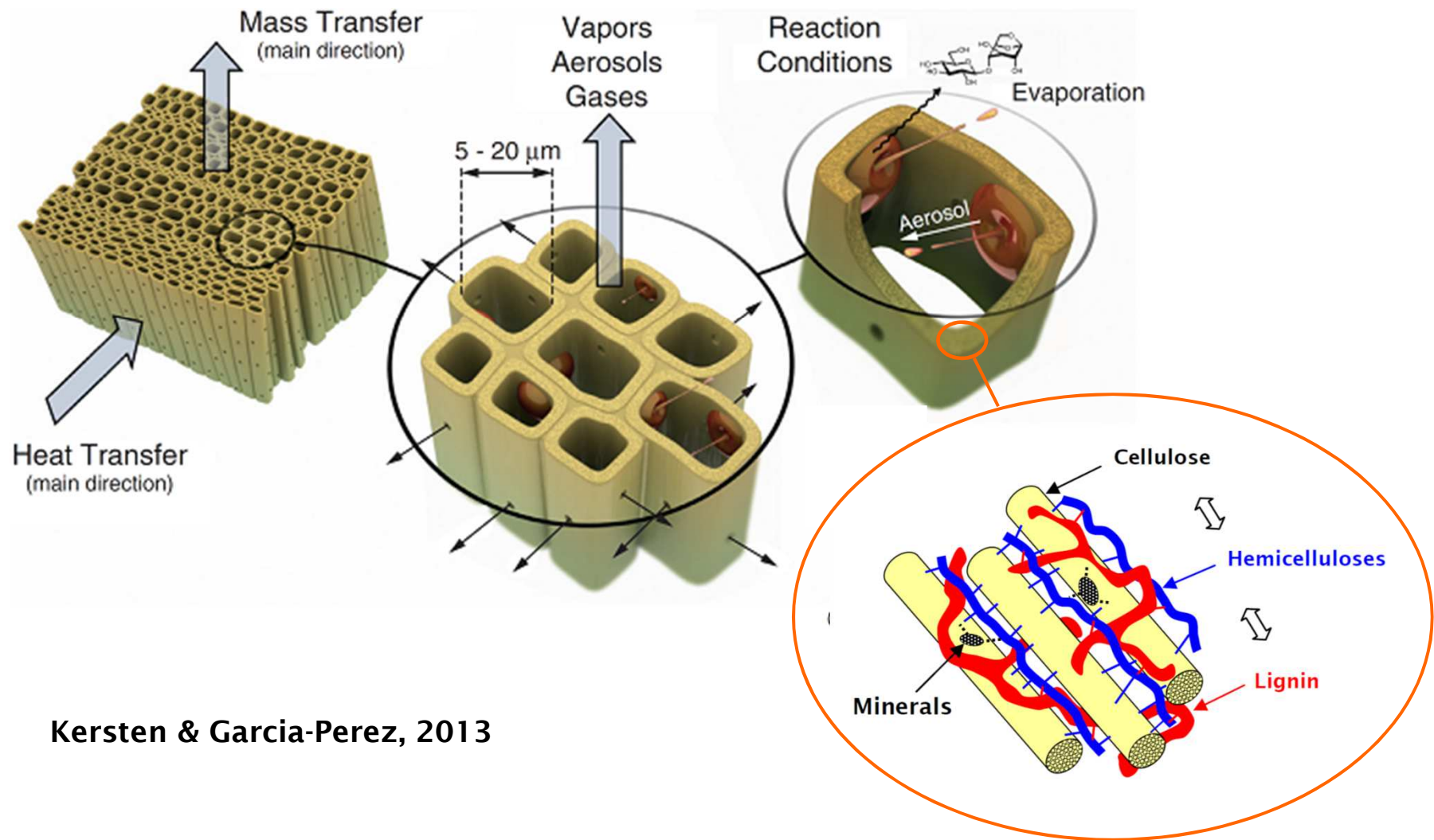
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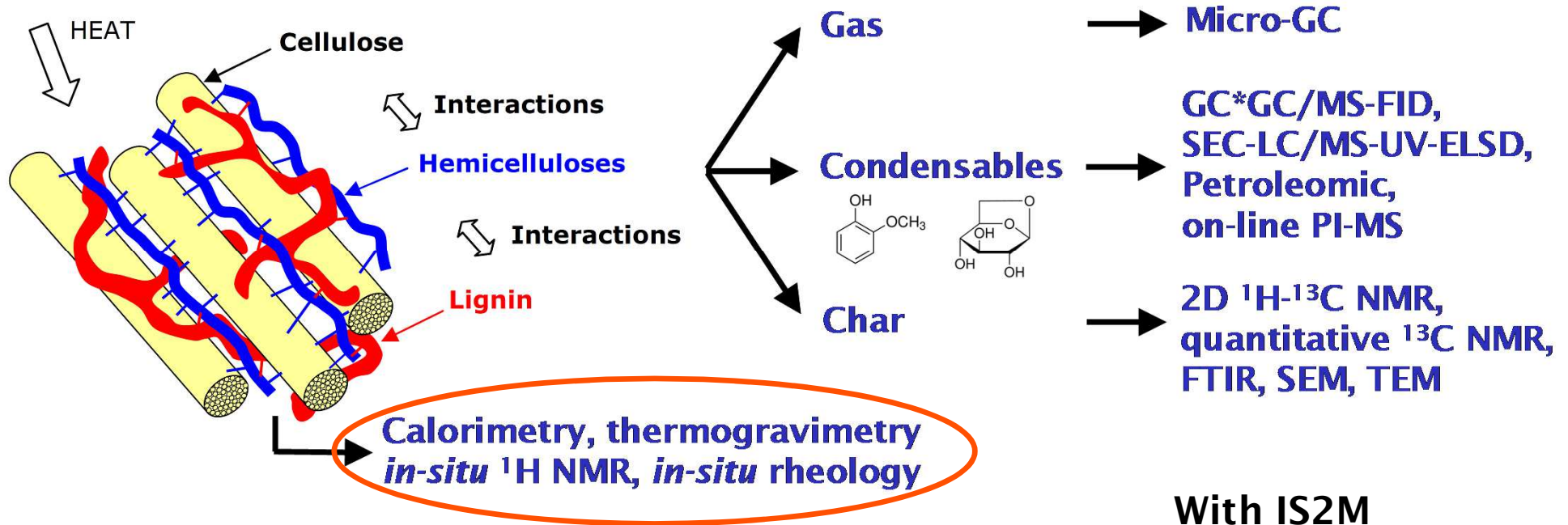


On veut comprendre la pyrolyse du bois à l'échelle des parois...



Kersten & Garcia-Perez, 2013

Wood pyrolysis is studied by various analytical methods in “Grand Est”!

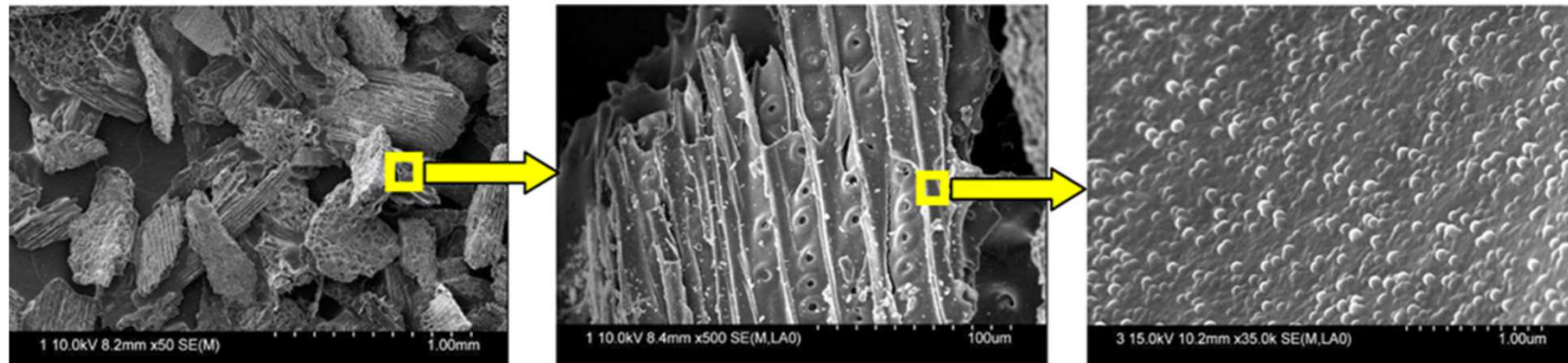


Calorimetry, thermogravimetry
in-situ ¹H NMR, *in-situ* rheology

Focus on in-situ analysis

With IS2M
Mulhouse,
ICStrasbourg,
LEMTA Nancy,
LCPA2MC Metz

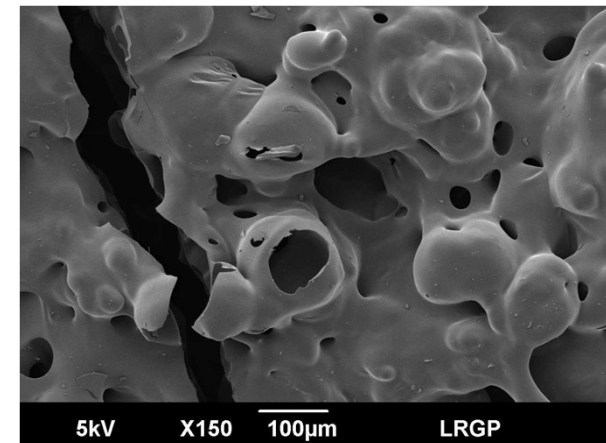
Why char remains a solid while many components from wood soften?



Wood char particles, slow pyrolysis, from mm to μm : bubbles formation at μm length scale (Dufour, Chem. Eng. Res. Des., 2011)

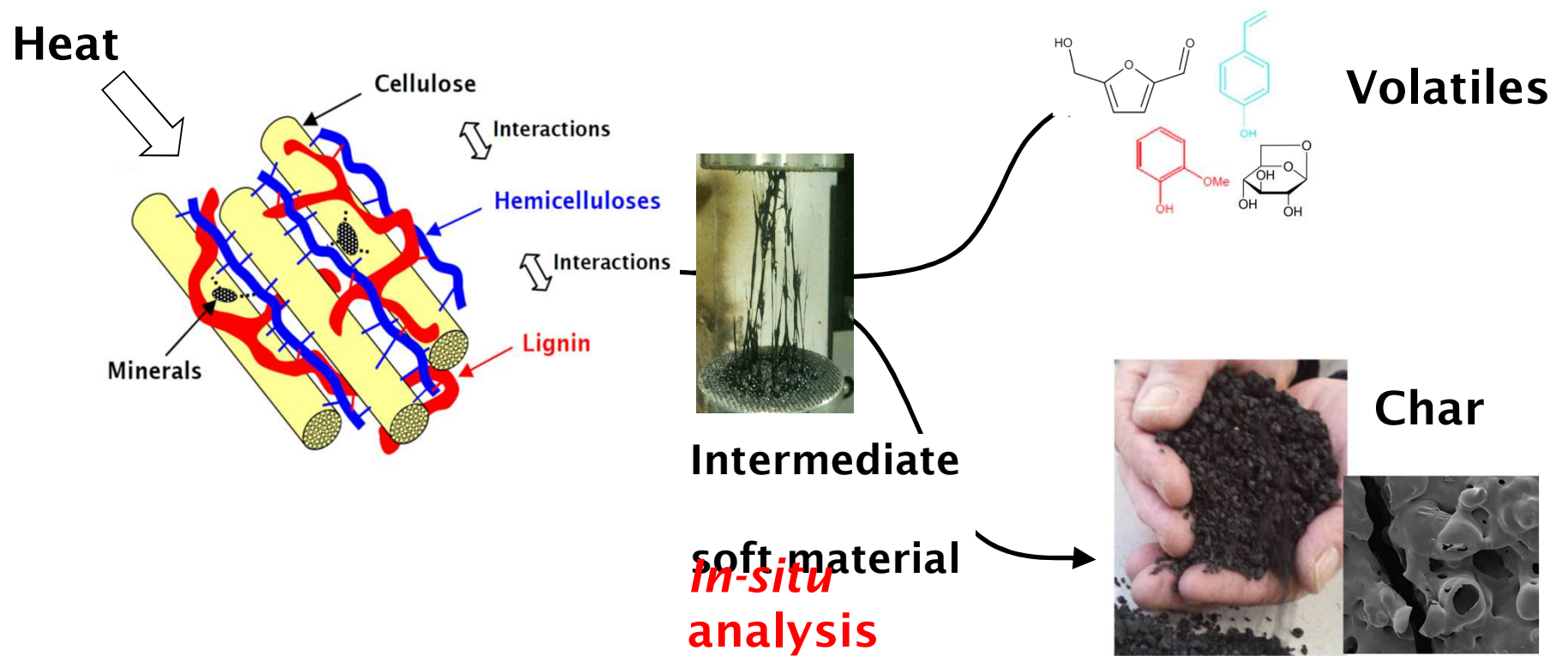
Lignin and hemicelluloses soften.

Klason, 1901; Göring, 1963; Sharma, 2014

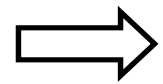


The intermediate soft material is very labile and short life time.

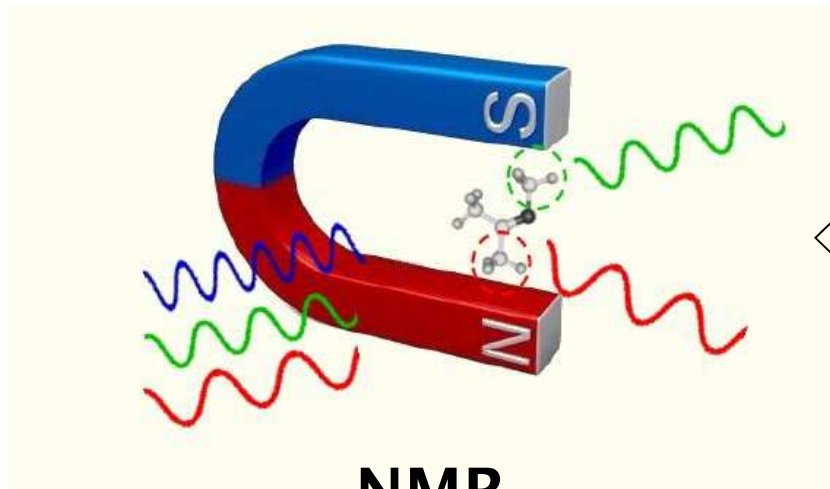
In-situ analysis is required...



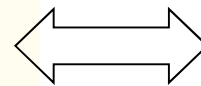
In-situ analysis of biomass pyrolysis



In-situ ^1H NMR and rheology have been extensively used for understanding “metaplast” during coal pyrolysis (Sato, 1979, Lynch, 1988, Castro-Diaz, 2005) but not yet for biomass.



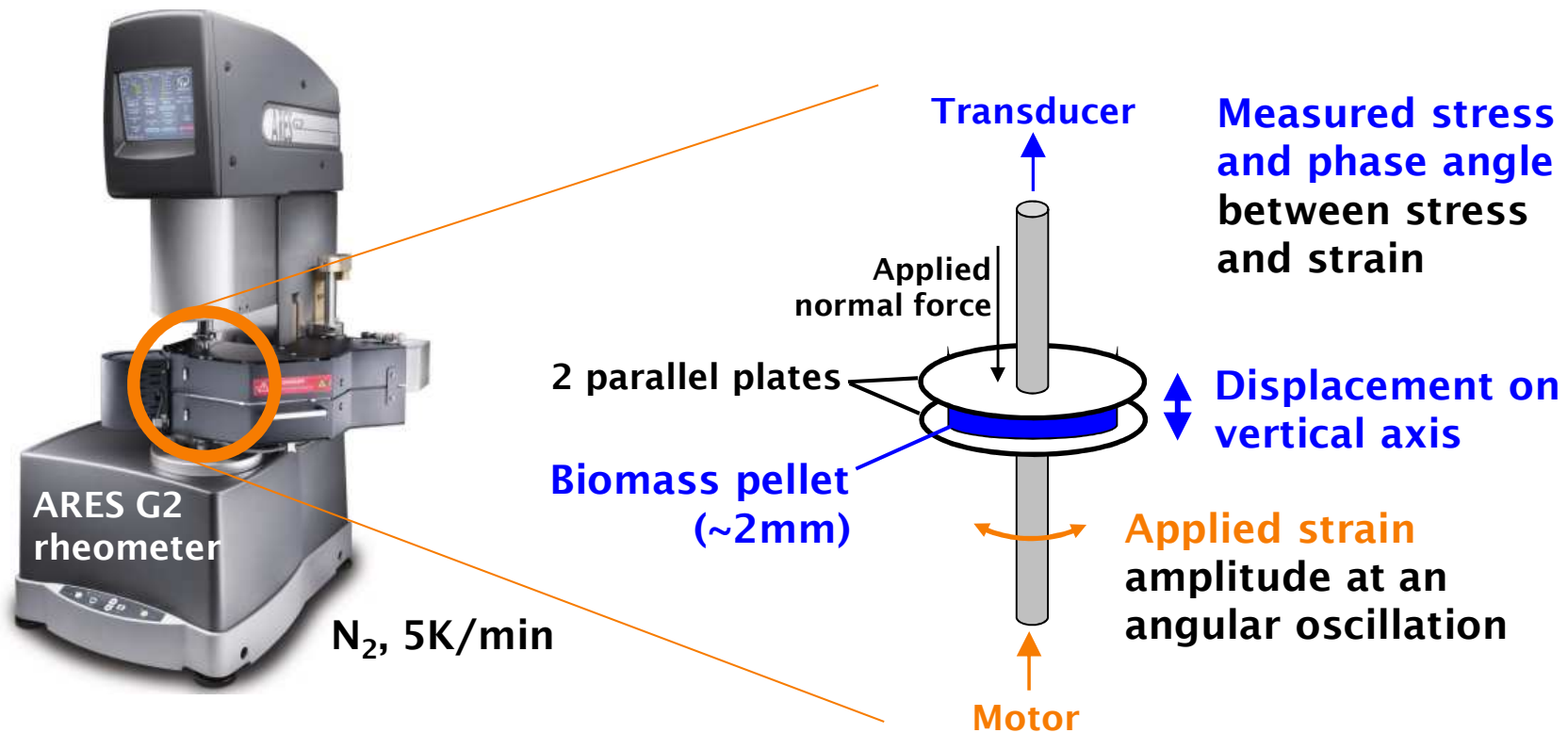
NMR



Rheology

Basics of in-situ rheology

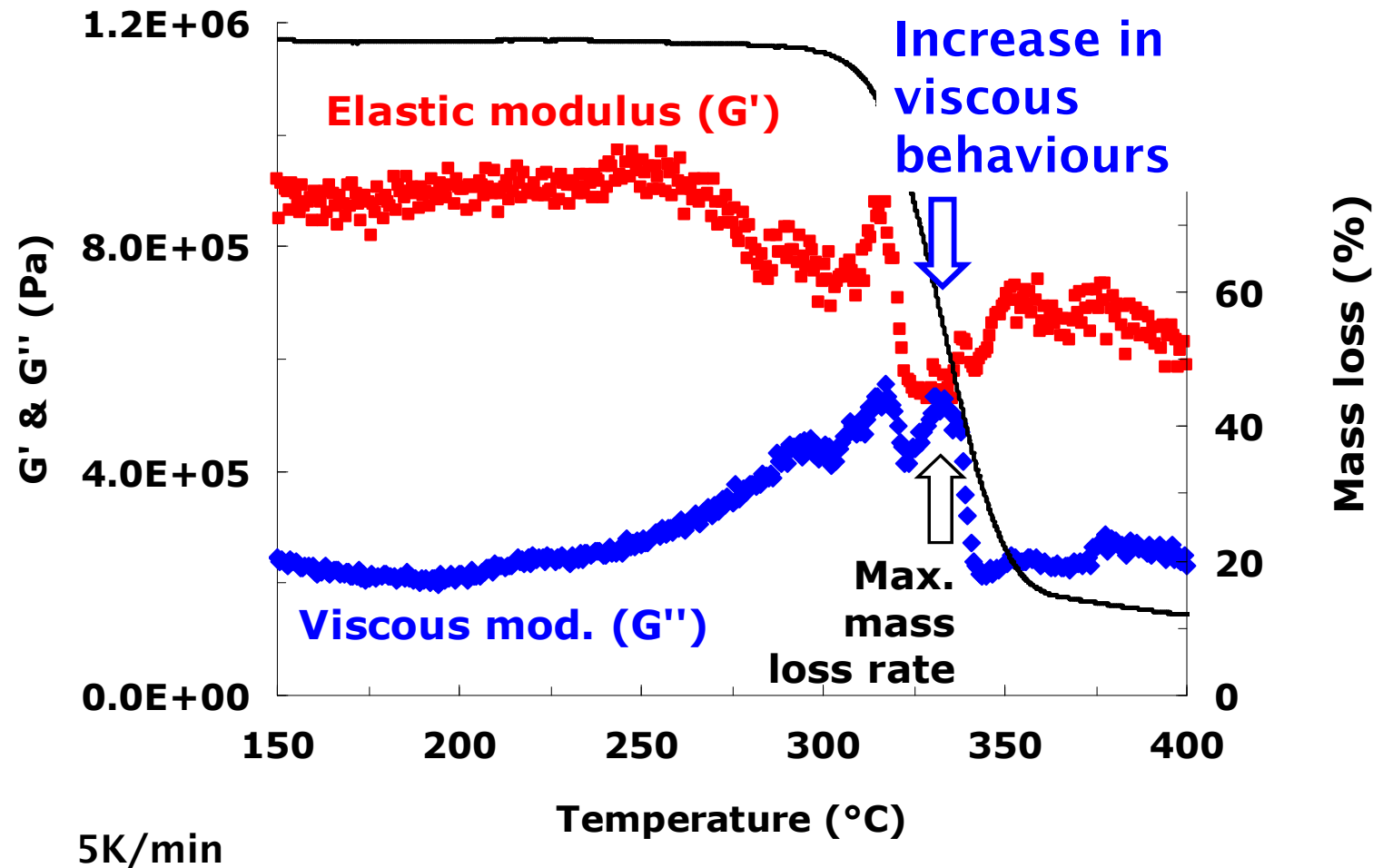
Pyrolysis is conducted inside the rheometer.



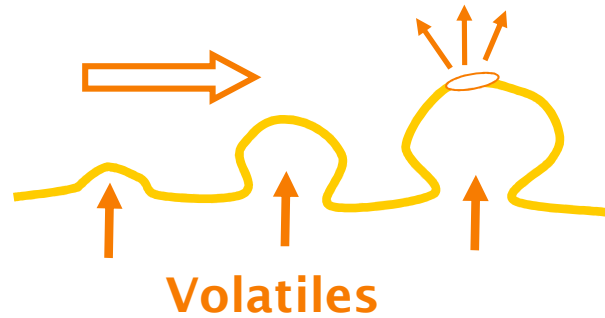
Determination of viscous and elastic moduli based on phase angle

Swelling and shrinking of particles based on the displacement between plates (results not shown)

In-situ rheology during cellulose pyrolysis: it stays mainly hard & elastic (under slow cond.)

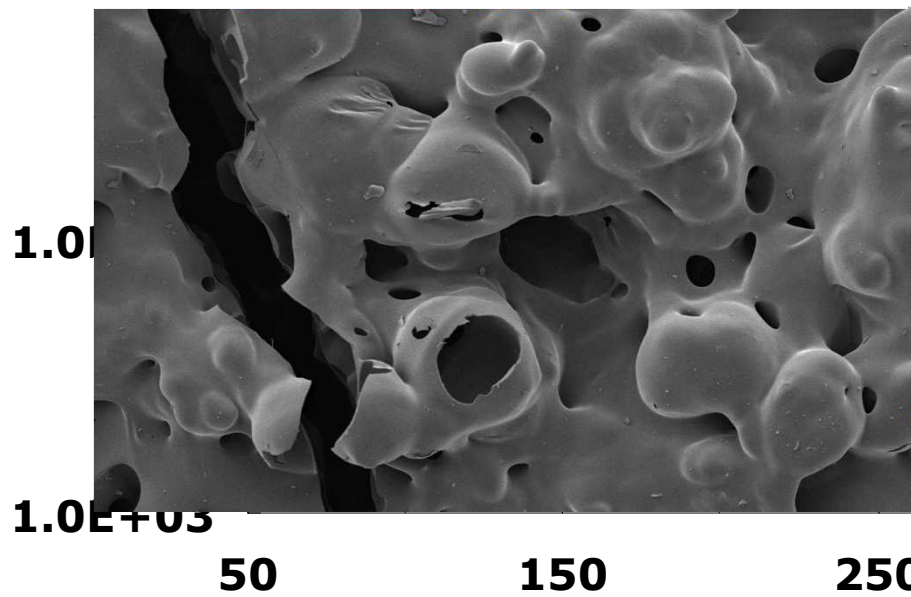


Lignin presents very different behaviours than cellulose.



Formation of a "carbon foam" by volatiles pushing the visco-elastic material.

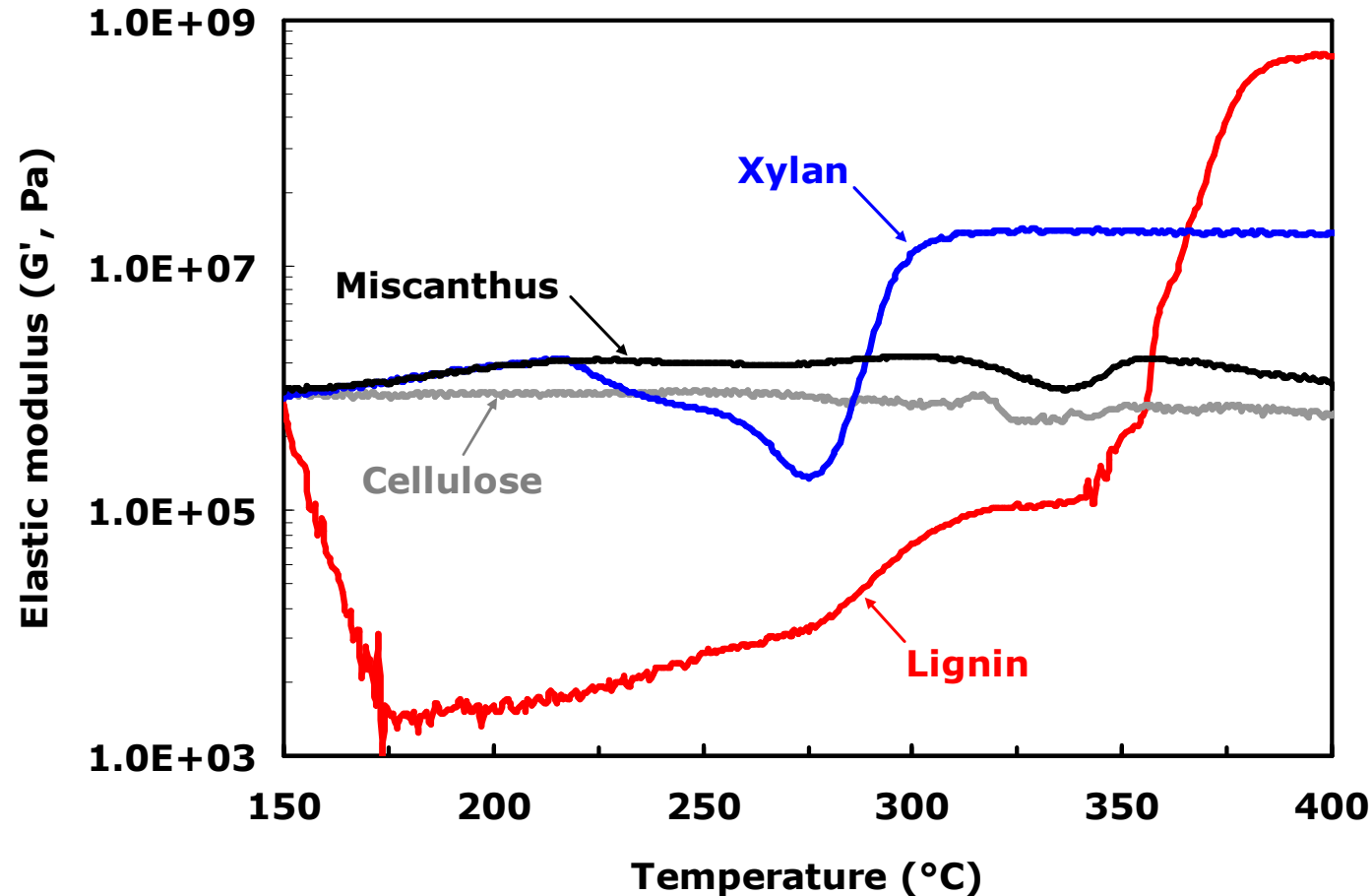
G' & G'' (Pa)



Mass loss (%)

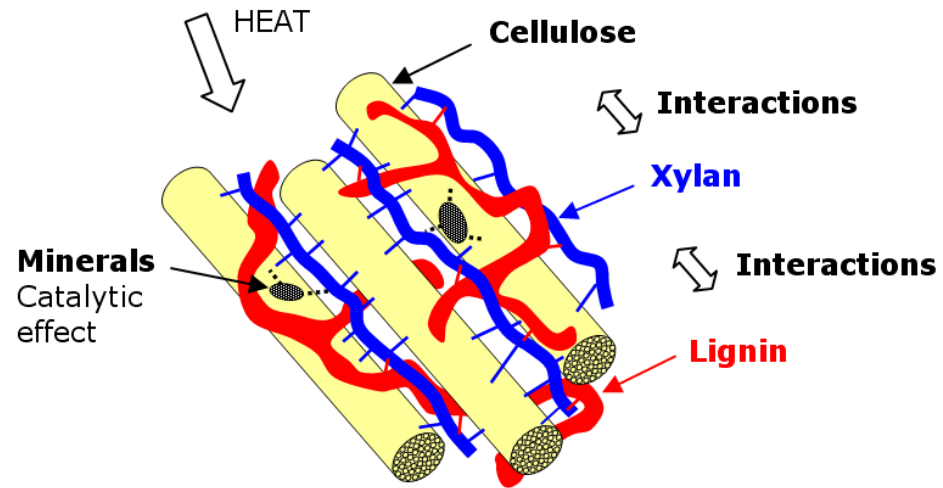
Temperature (°C)

Comparison between cellulose, xylan, lignin and miscanthus for elastic modulus evolution

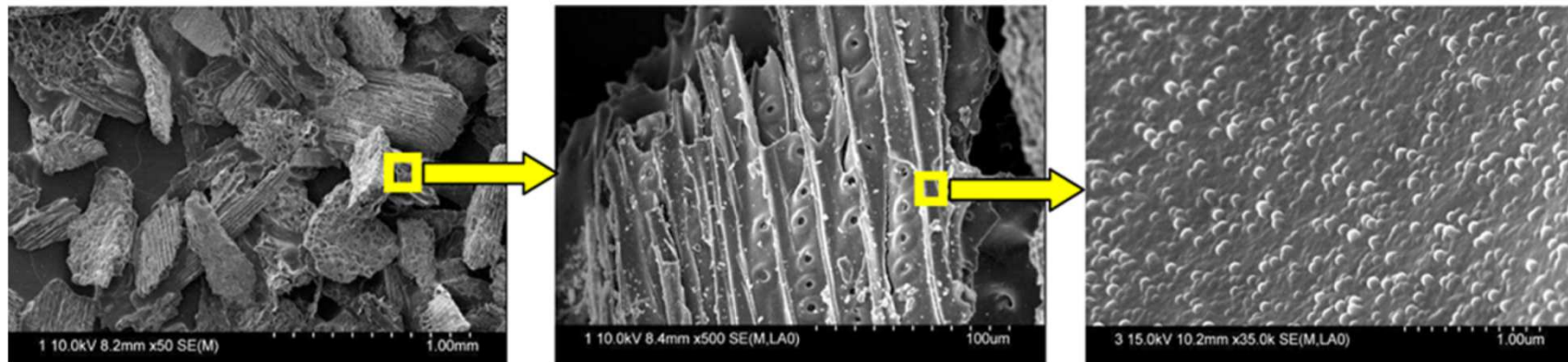


Lignin softening is not seen in the native network of biomass while G' is 3 orders of magnitude lower & then higher than cellulose.

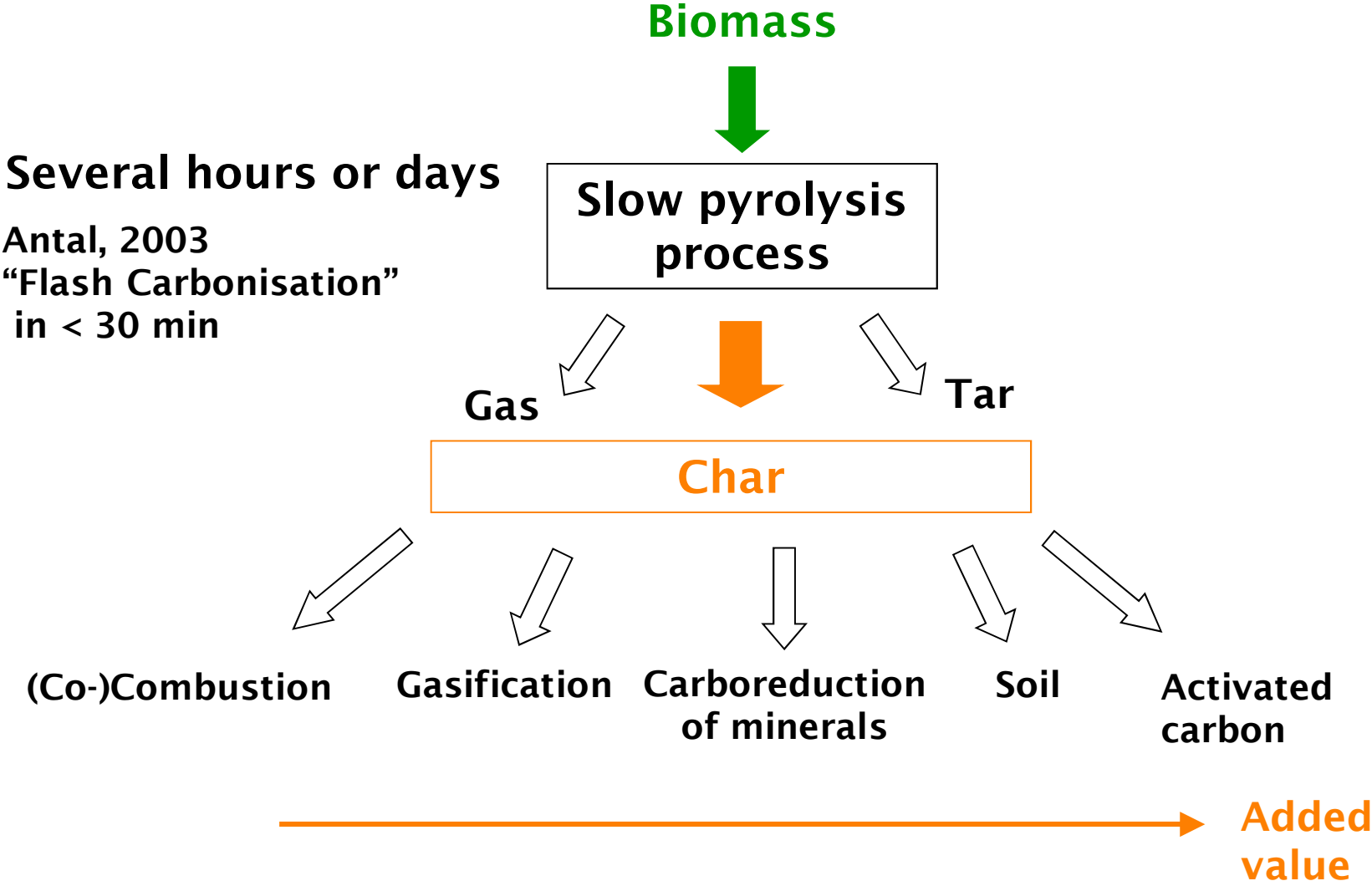
Cellulose imposes its rigidity to the network and maintains the overall solid structure of wood/char under slow heating conditions.



This finding explains why char globally keeps the same macro-structure of biomass cells (at slow heating) although forming an intermediate soft material.



Use of charcoal (or « biochar »)

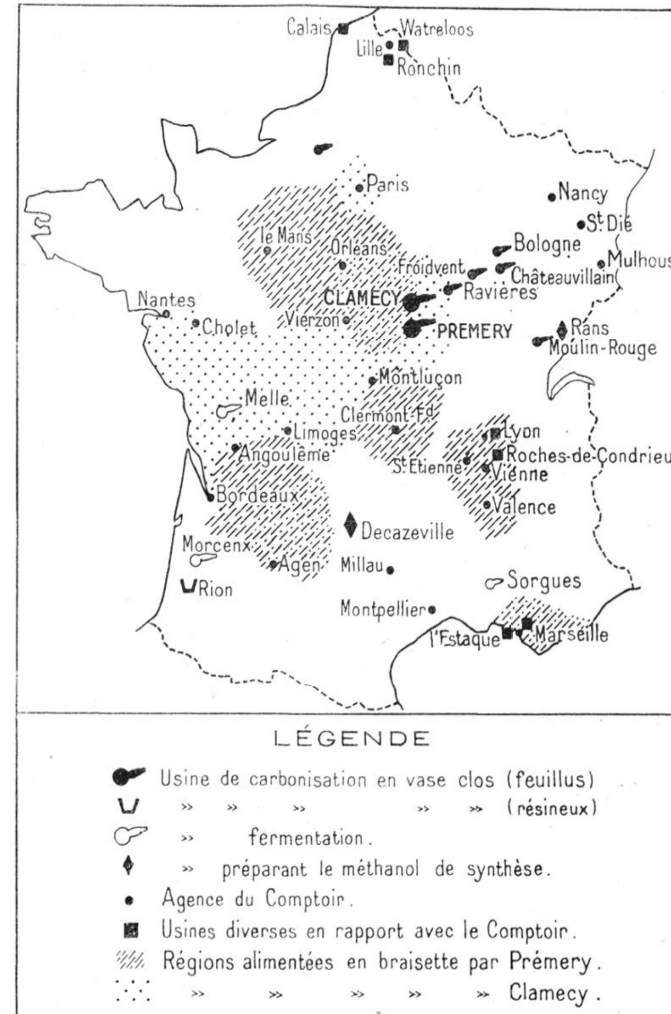


Pyrolysis « reactors » have been developed for a long time!...

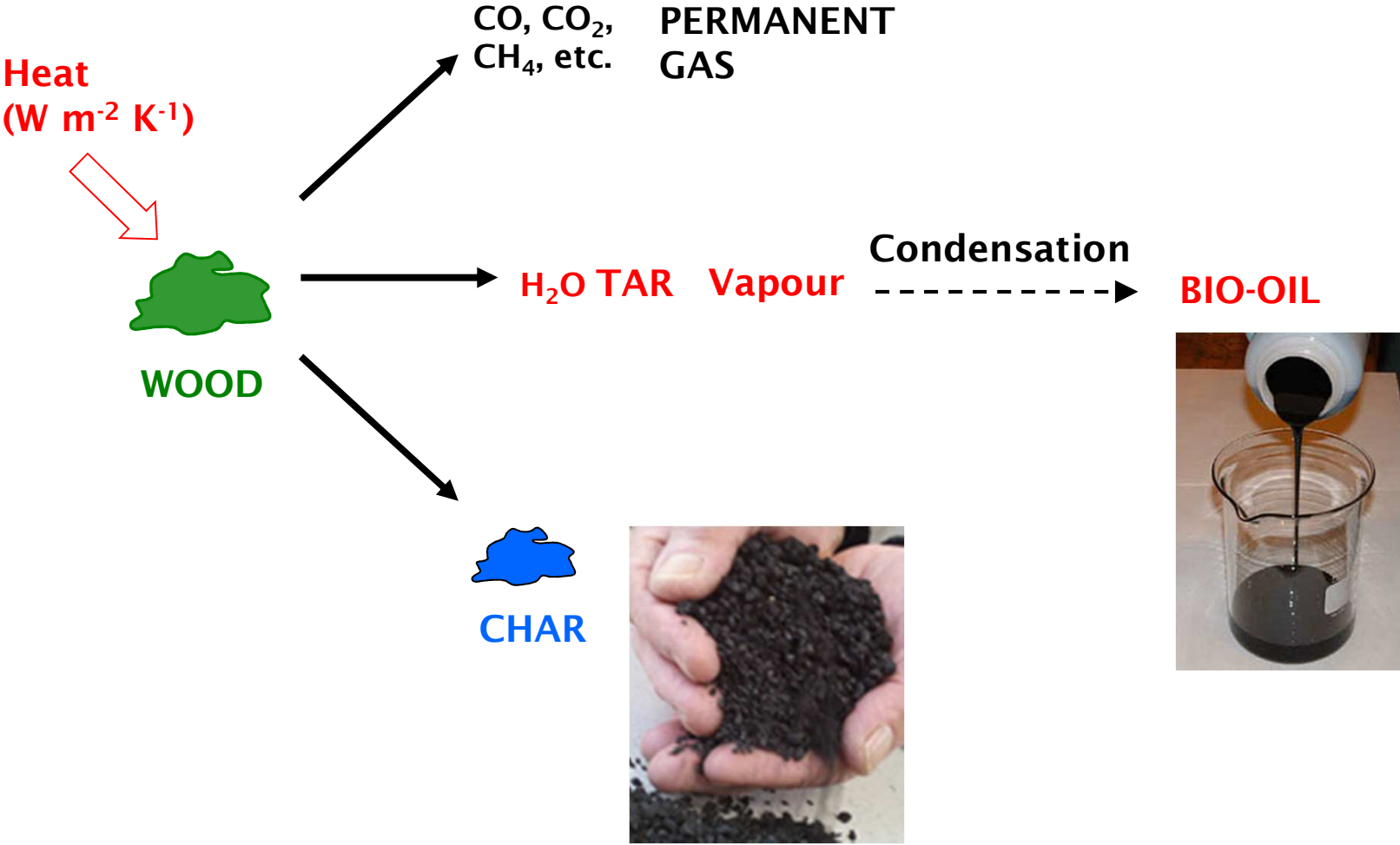


Traditional hot tail kilns

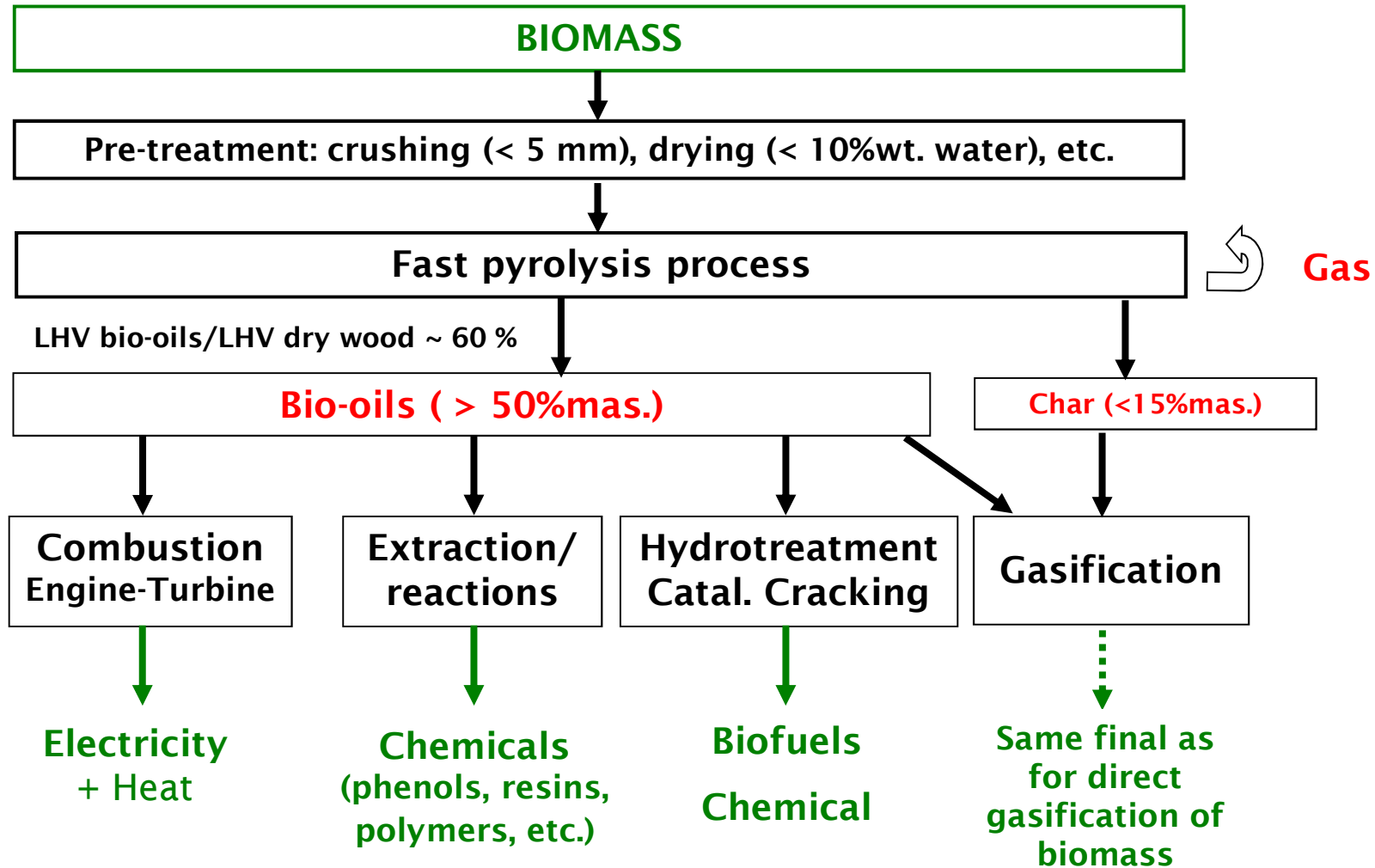
Locations of plants for carbonisation of wood (« distillation ») in France (Braque, 1949)



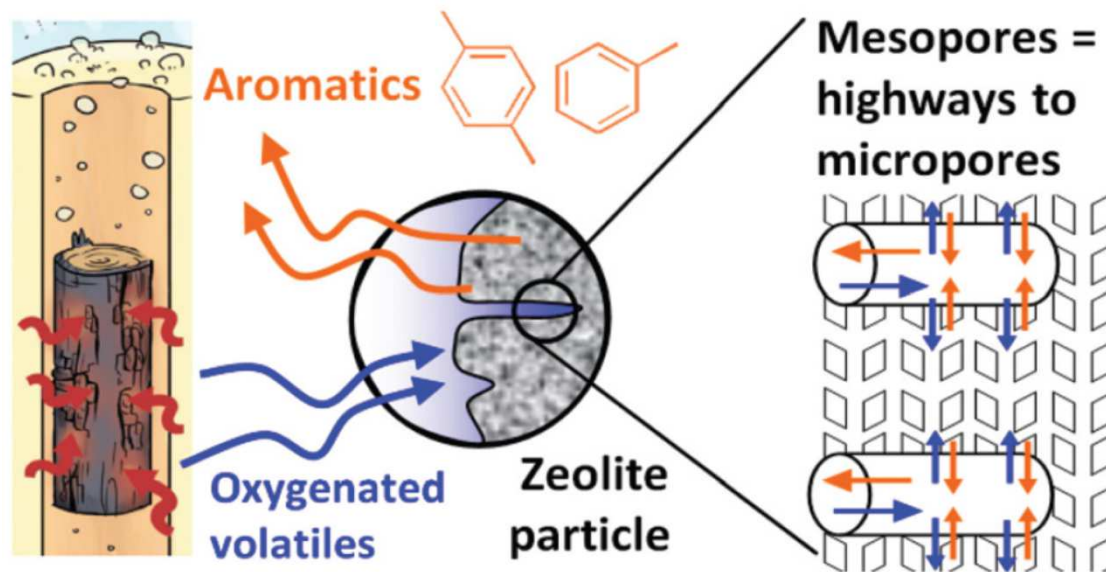
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Main applications for bio-oils (high oxygen content)

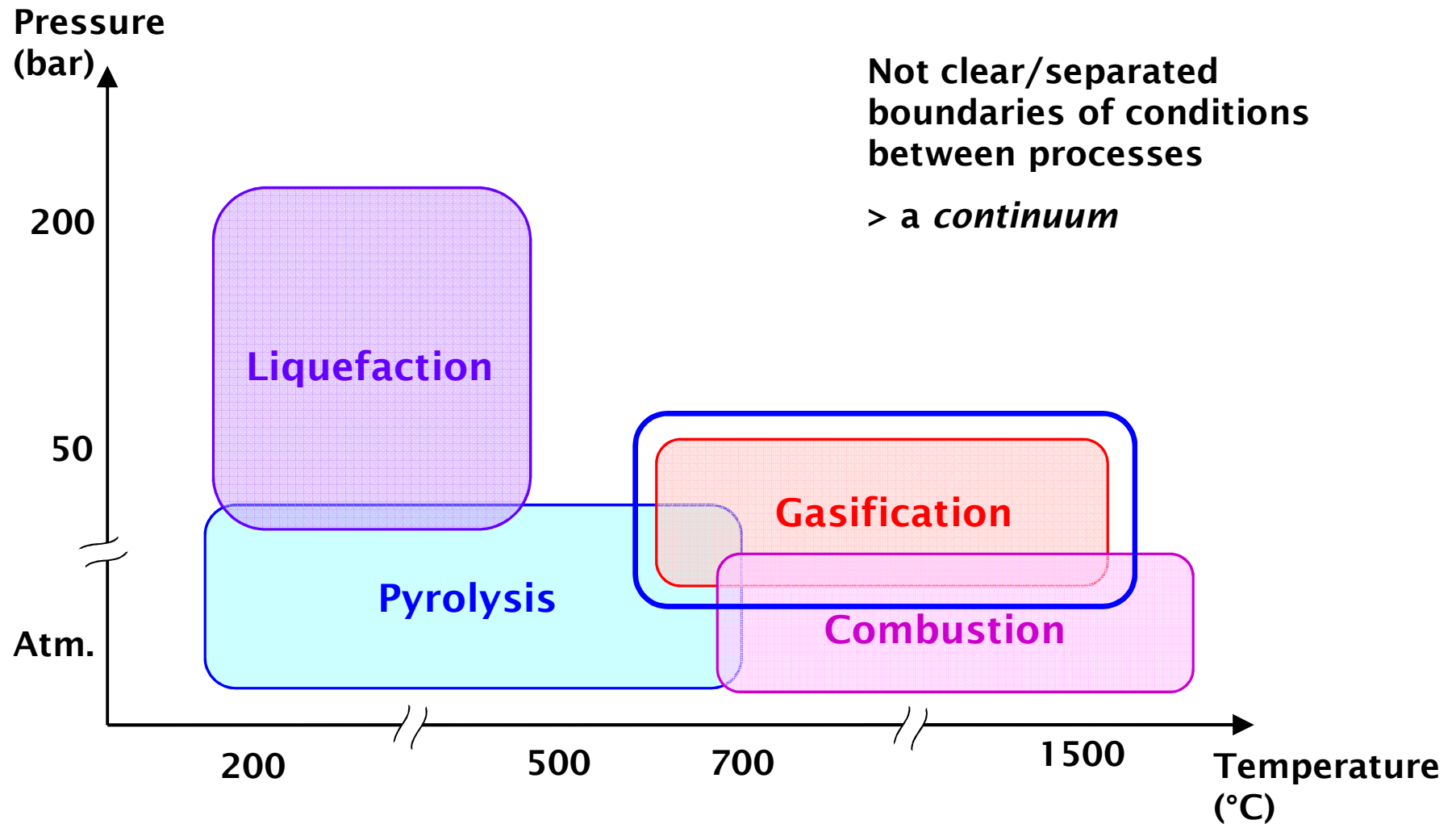


Catalytic pyrolysis of wood by zeolites to remove oxygen from bio-oil

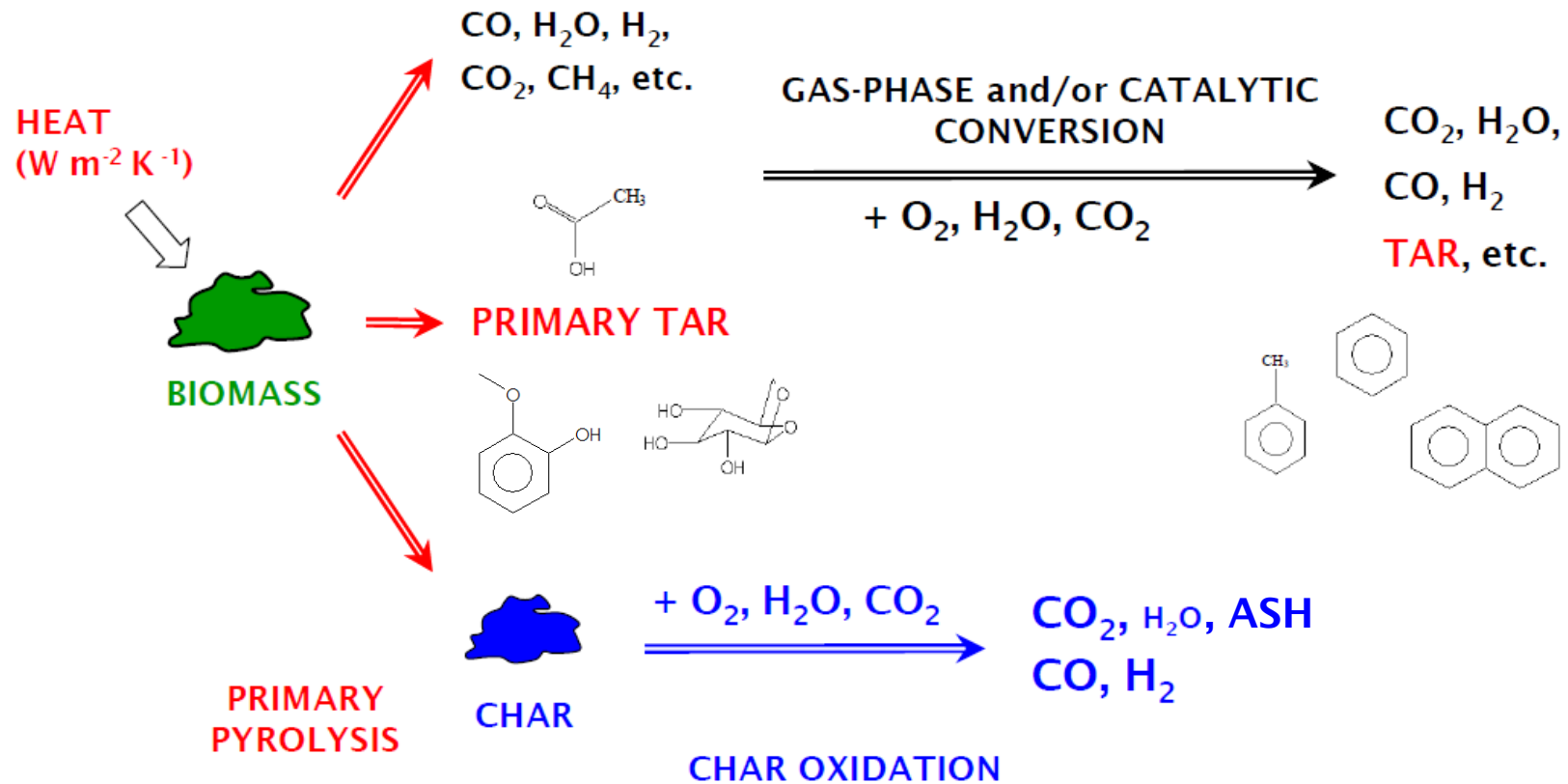


**Hierarchical zeolites
(= micro+mesopores)
improve the stability
and the selectivity to
aromatic
hydrocarbons.**

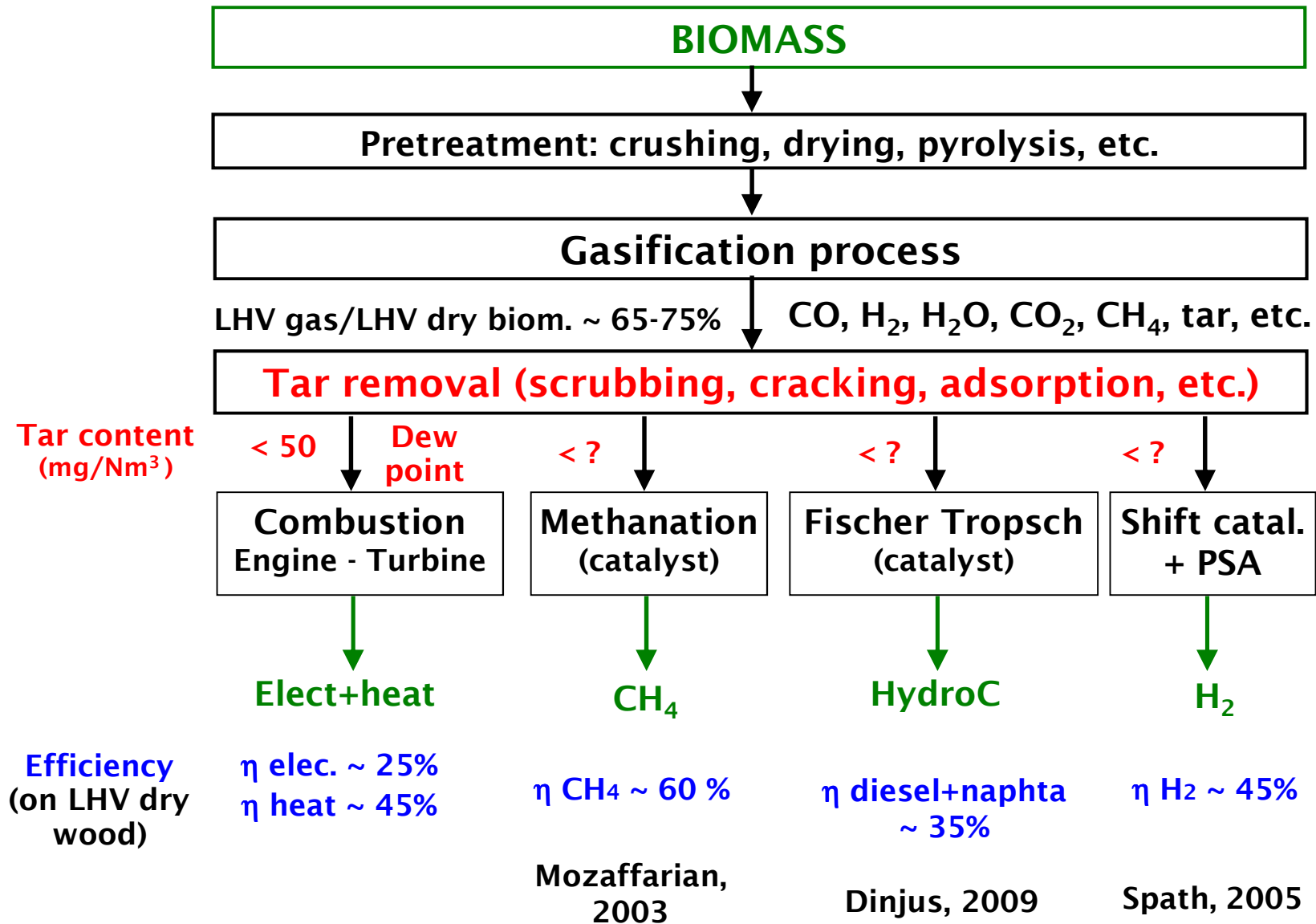
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Mechanisms of wood gasification and combustion

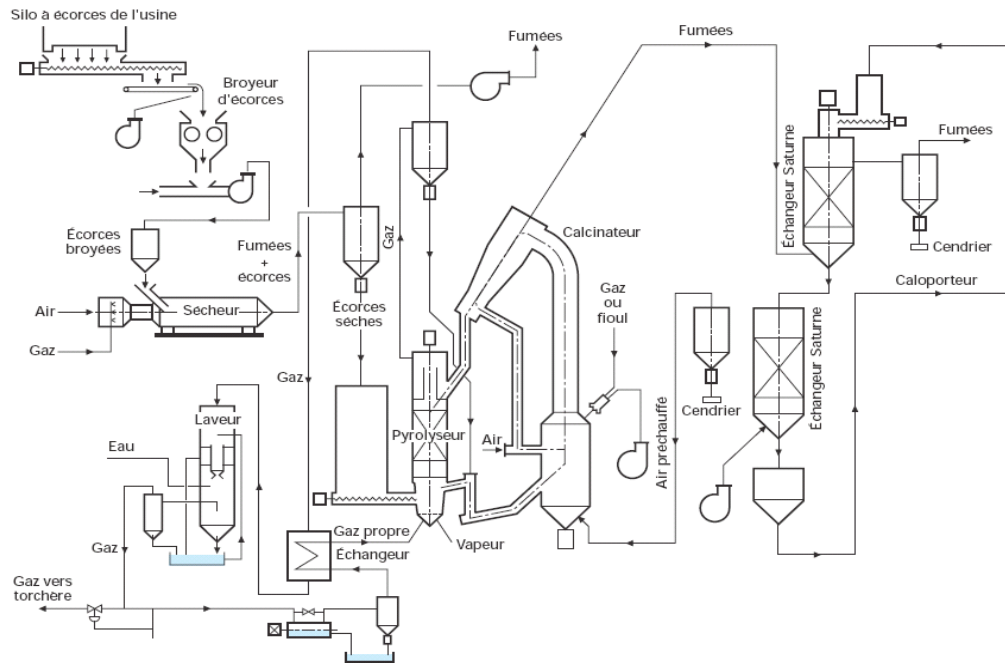


Main applications for syngas

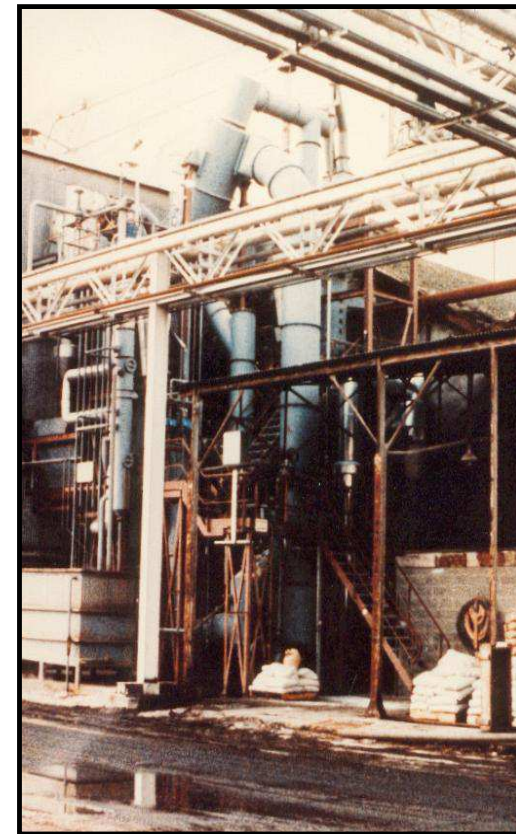


An excellent gasification process has been developed in France in the 80's (TNEE/Cellulose du Pin).

Then in the 90's a similar process developed in Vienna (Güssing), currently GAYA project in France (ENGIE at St Fons)



**500 kg/h of bark operated in 1984-1985
(at Factice, France)
LHV of gas ~16 MJ/m³**



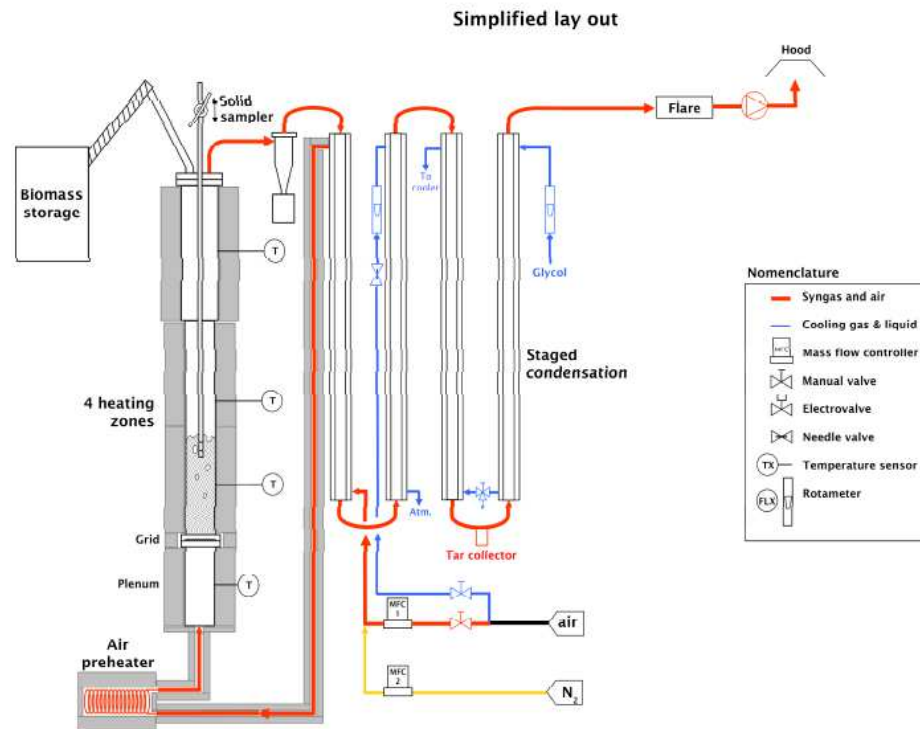
Deglise, 1985

High heat transfer and good control of temperature in fluidized bed



Char in sand during
wood pyrolysis

Dense fluidised bed gasification reactor (5-10kg/h) studied at LRGP (with EDF, LERMAB & Leroux&Lotz)



More than 40 temperature and pressure sensors

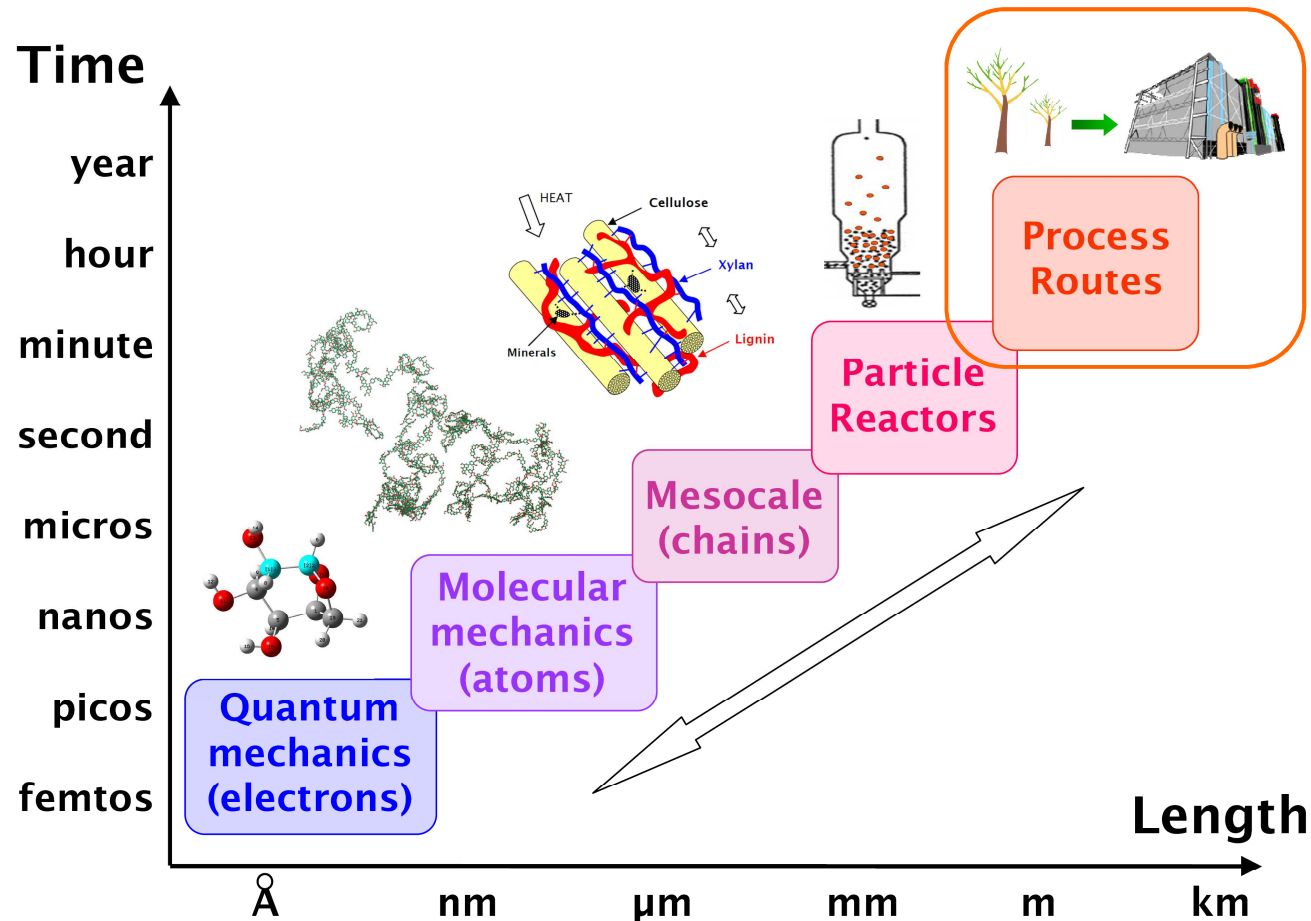
Sampling of the bed during operation, under hot conditions

Home-made pilot by our machine and electronic workshops

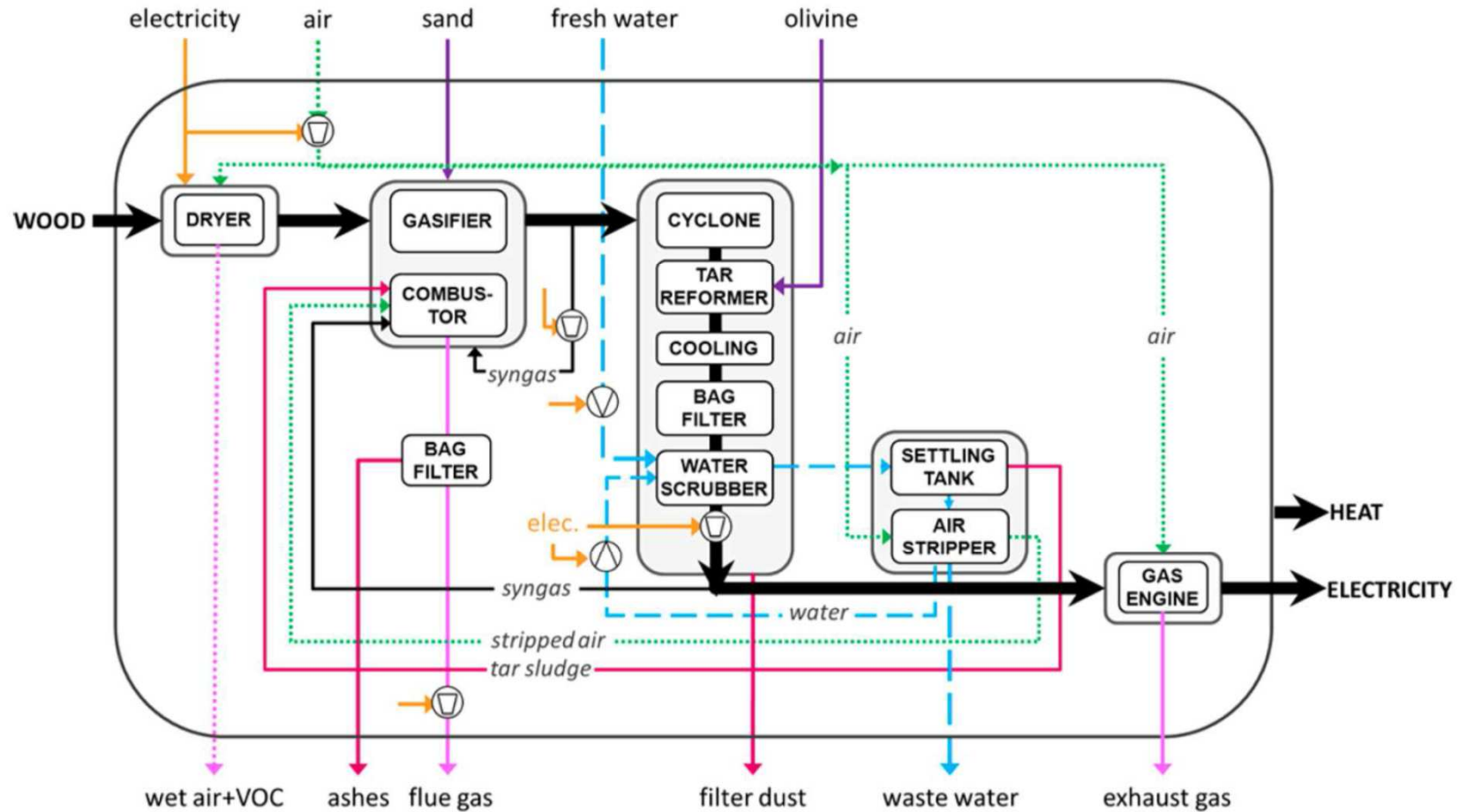
G. Mauviel, G. Lardier et al. En&Fuels, 2016

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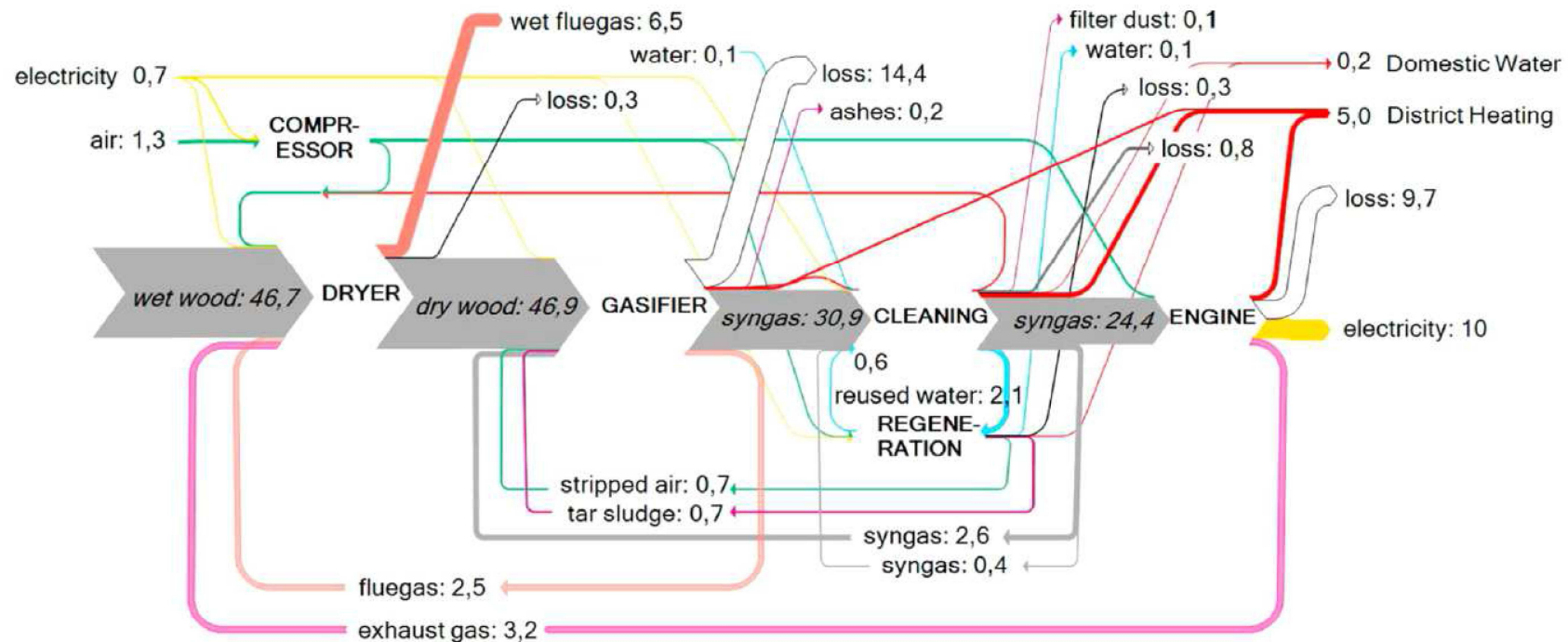


Advanced process models are developed under Aspen Plus® software in Nancy.



J. Francois et al., Biom.Bioenergy, 2013.

Exergy balance of the integrated gasification plant

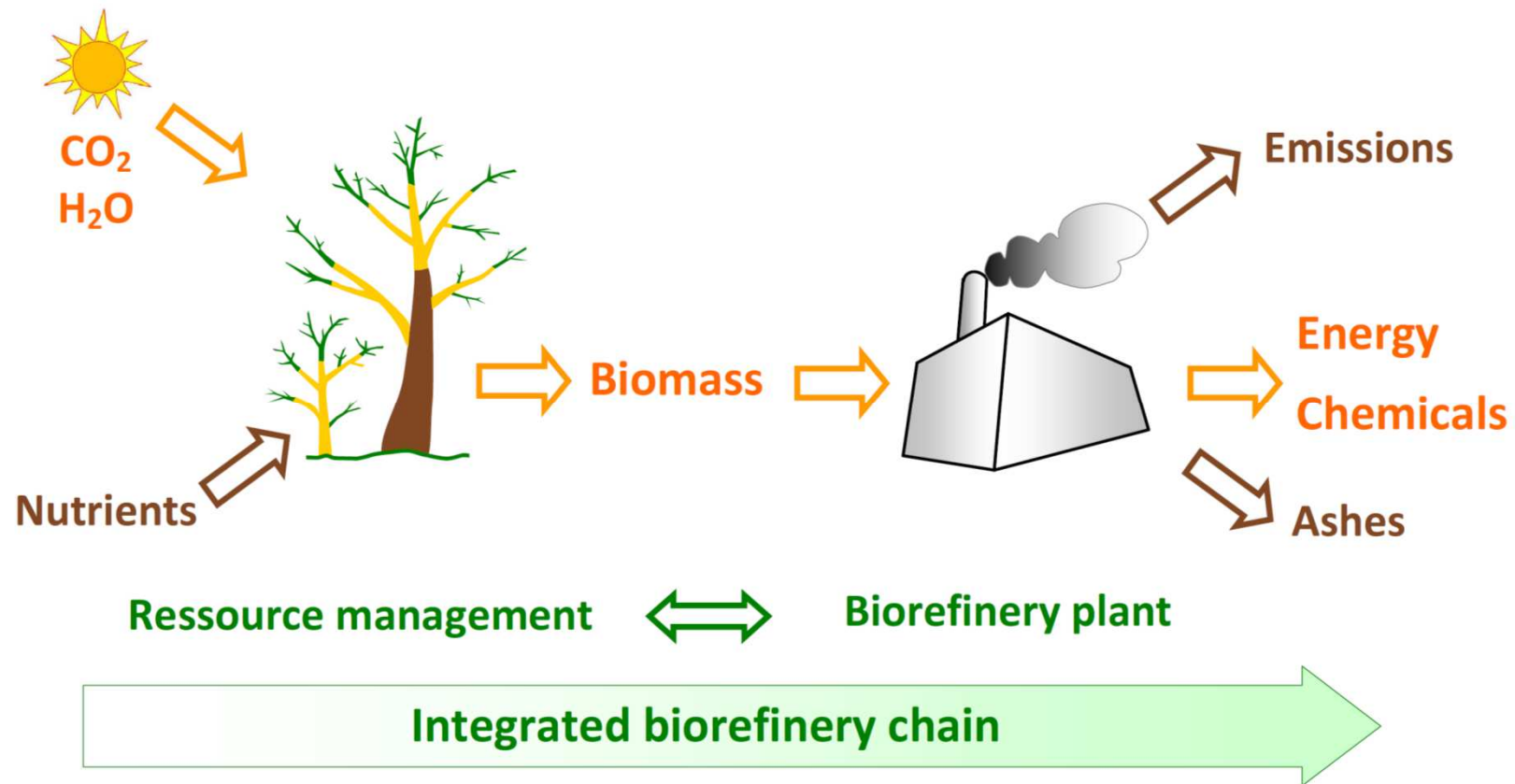


Exergetic efficiency $\sim 32\%$ (elec.+heat [10+5]/wood [46.7])

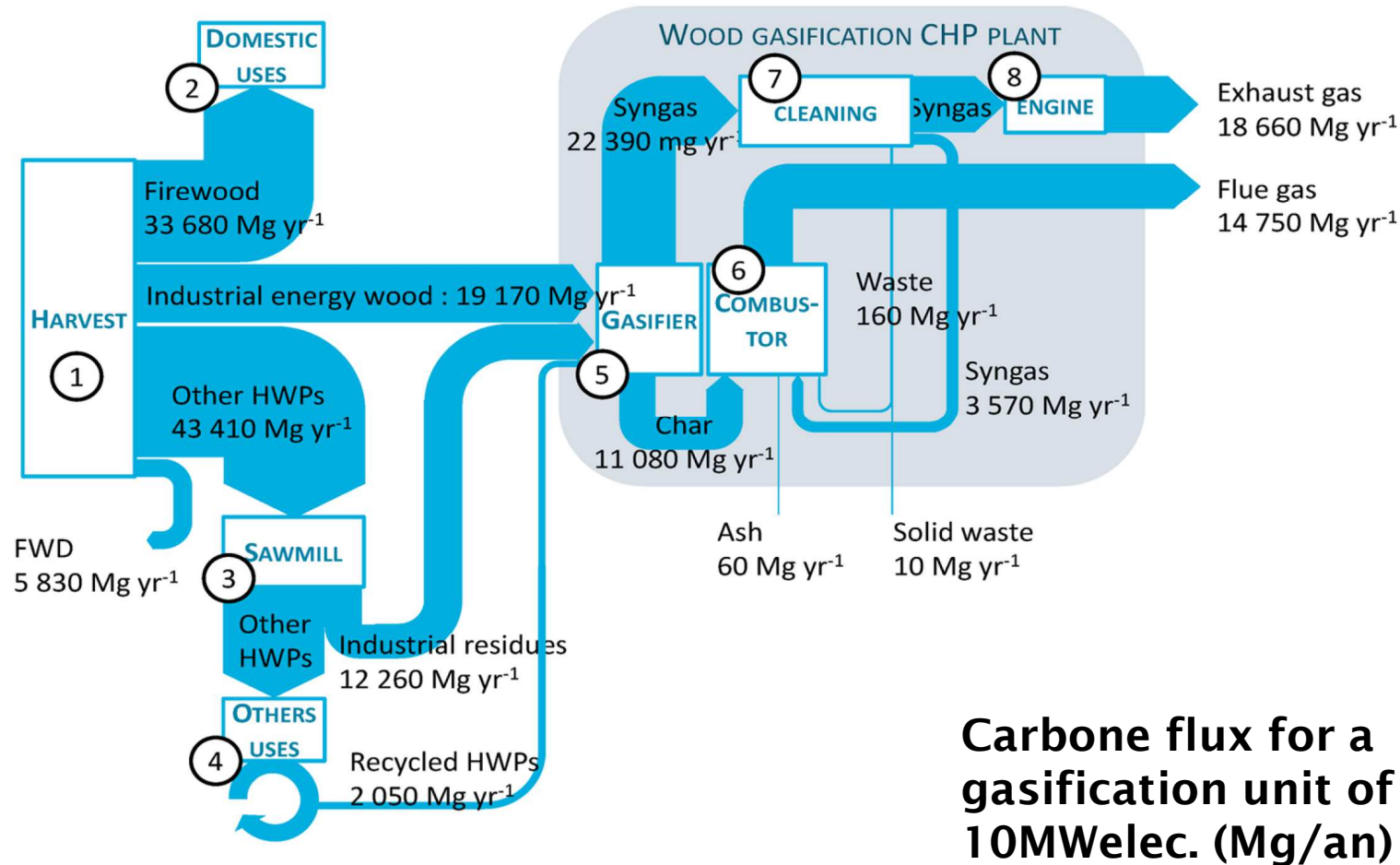
Main exergy degradation occurs in the reactor of gasification

Technical problems caused by tar formed in the gasifier

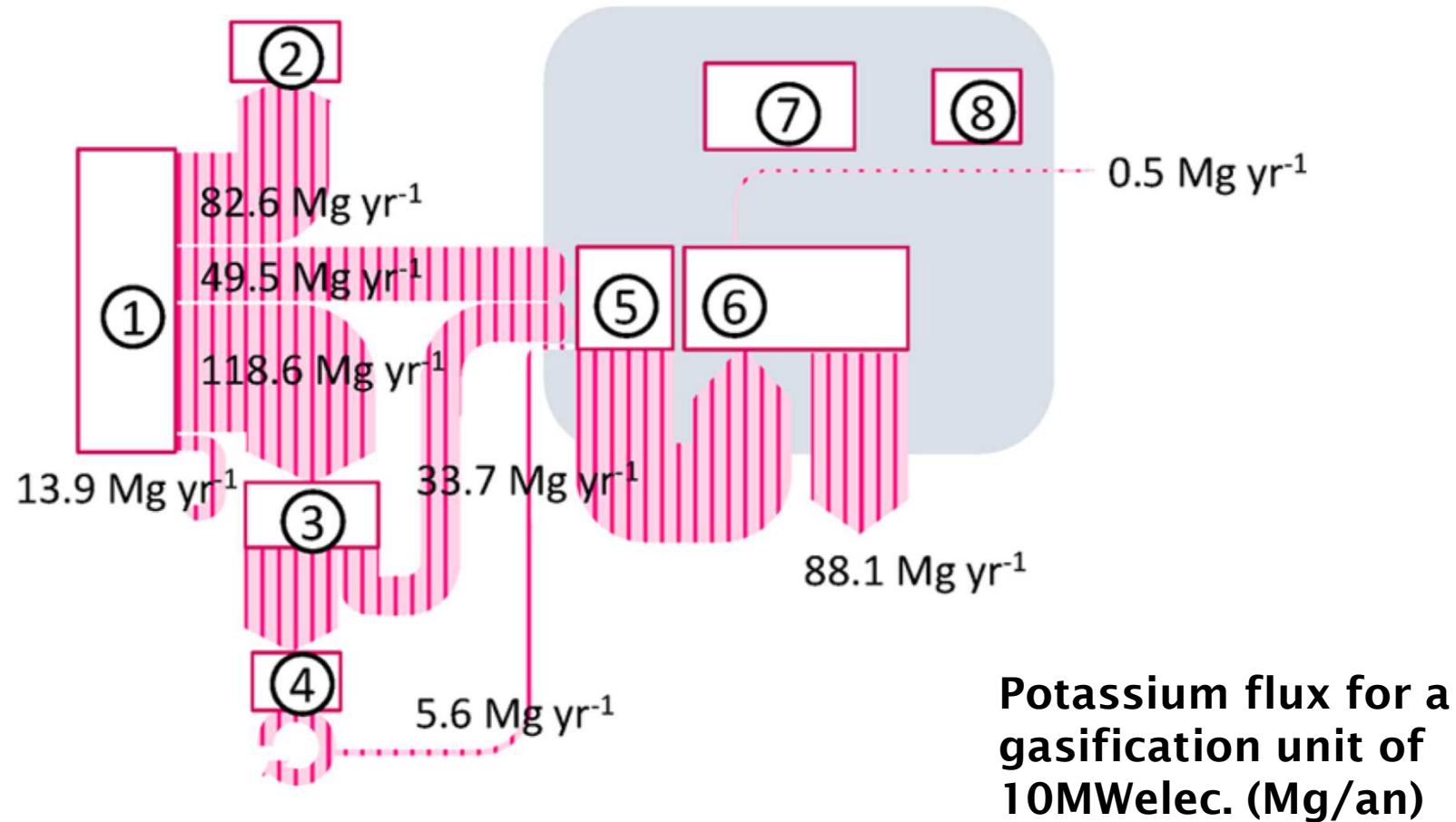
Mass and energy balance of the whole chain: from the soil to the final use



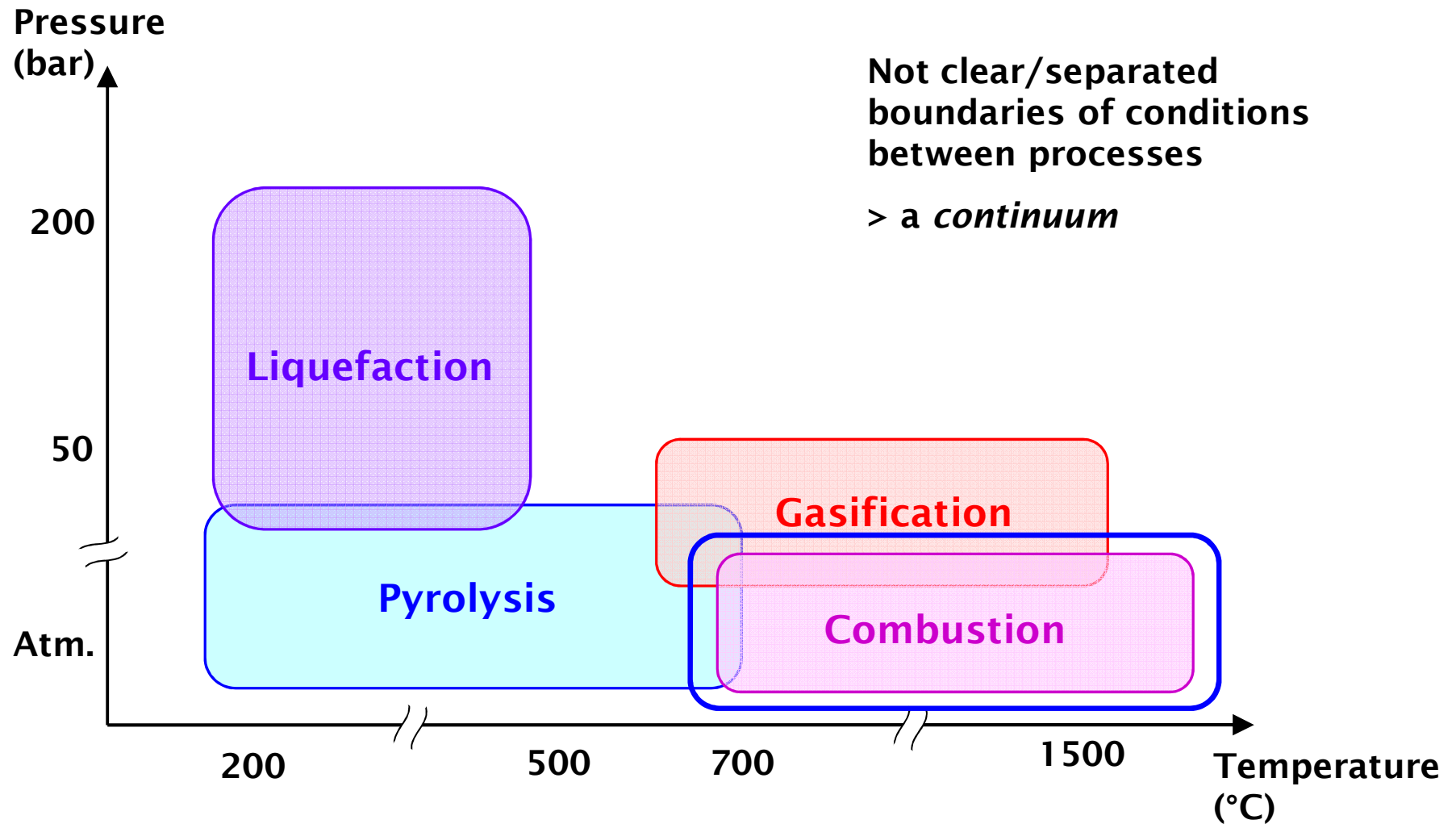
Carbon balance of forest to energy chain



Soil nutrients in soil: balance and fate...



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Combustion is the most important process for renewable energy : half of world population!



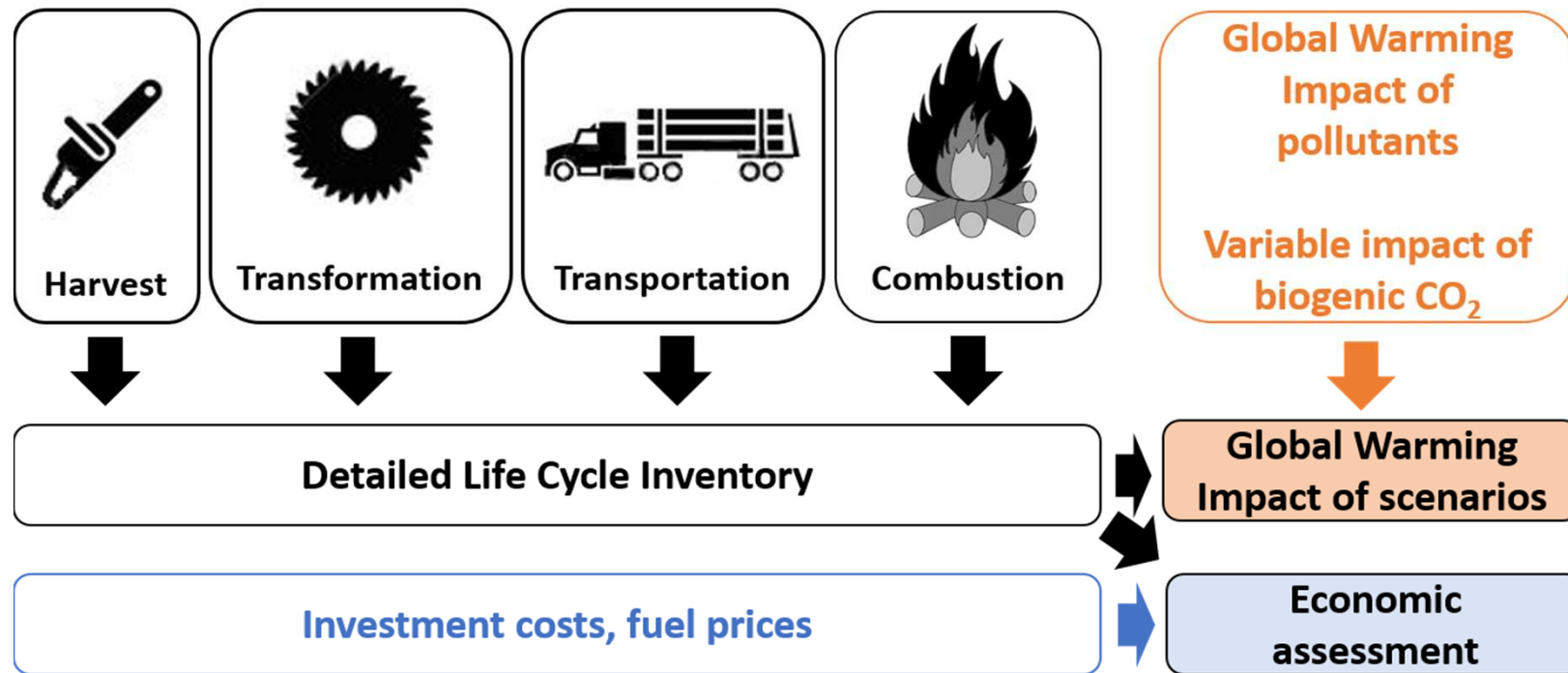
More than 3 billion people rely on the use of biomass for cooking in inefficient open fire stoves...

Huge impact for health and social development of women and children.

Anenberg, 2013

Environmental and economical assessment of combustion routes

C. Pelletier Ph-D at LRGP in collaboration with CIRED, SILVA, EIFER, LERMAB



C. Pelletier, App. Energy in press

Different combustion routes have been studied.

Pretreatment



Log

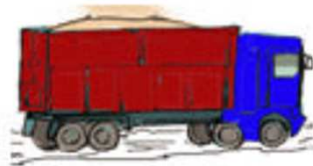


Chips

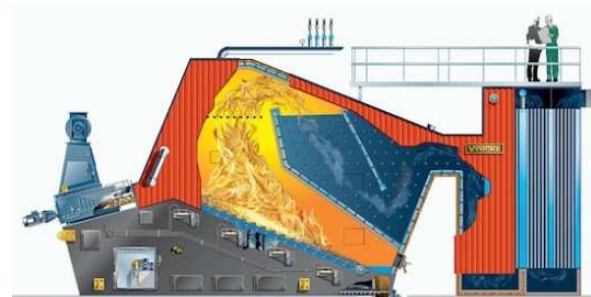


Pellets

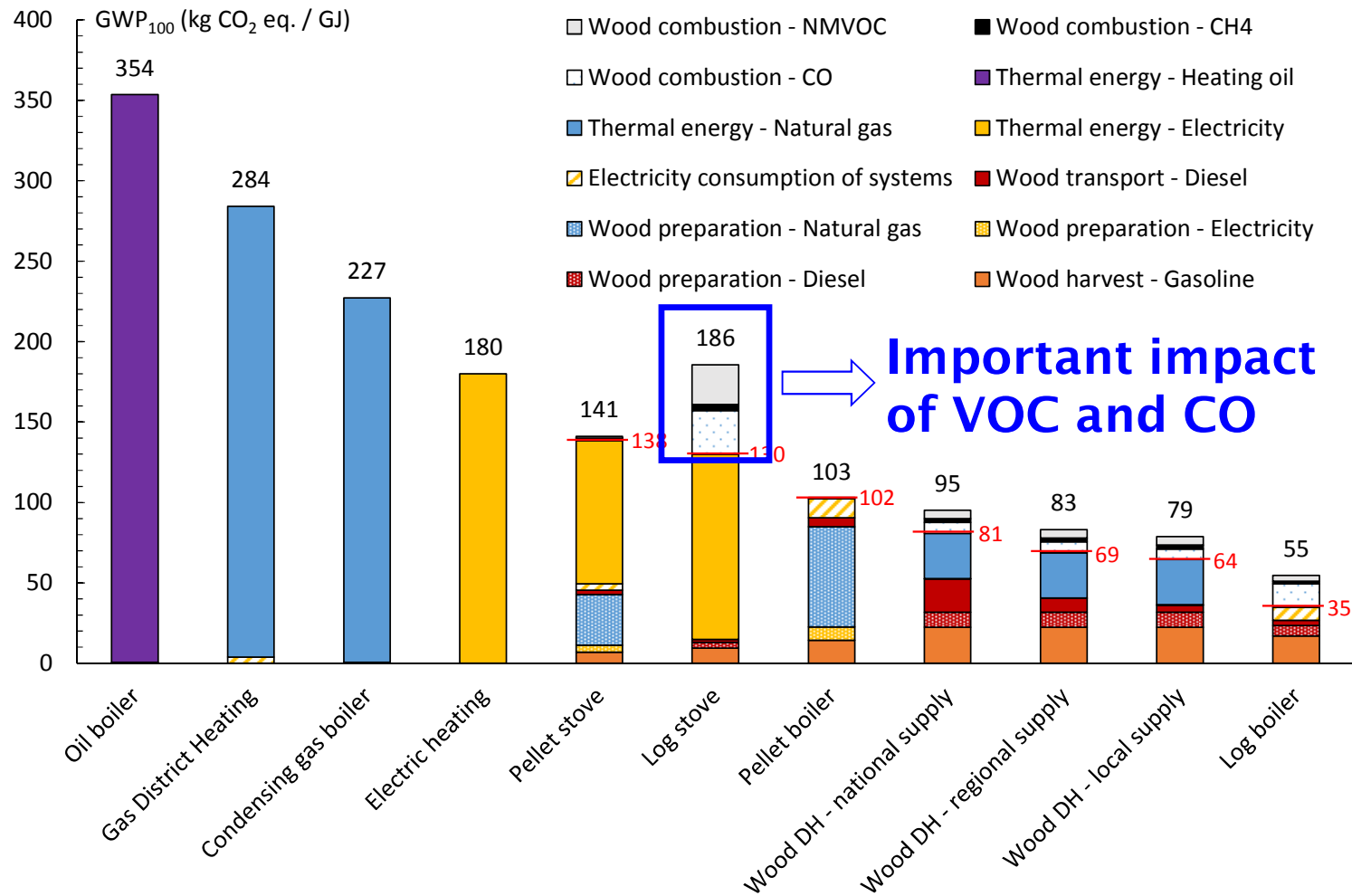
Transport distance



Combustion technologies

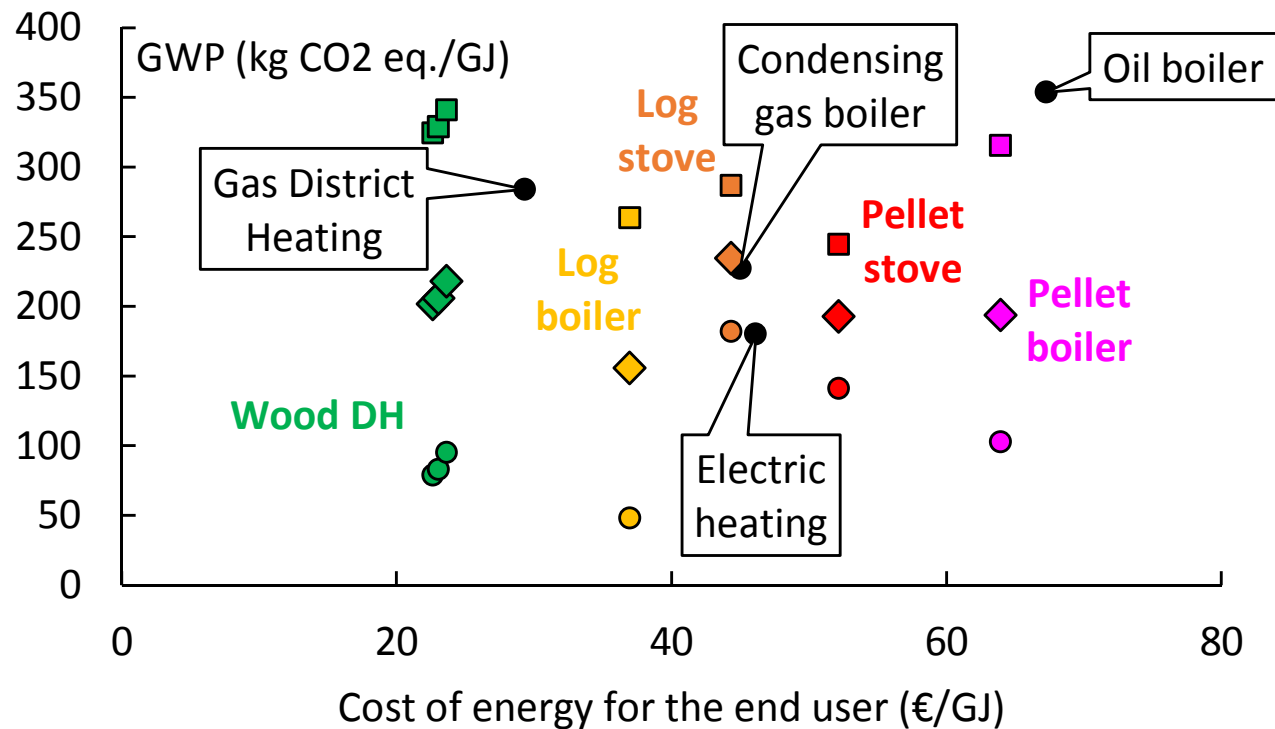


Global warming impact of wood combustion vs. technologies and other heat sources (gas, oil, elec.)



Global warming potential and cost of various technologies

Huge effect of the biogenic CO₂ impact factor



○ GWP_{bio} = 0 kg CO₂ eq./kg ◇ GWP_{bio} = 0.25 kg CO₂ eq./kg
 □ GWP_{bio} = 0.5 kg CO₂ eq./kg

**Cost:
collaboration
with EIFER**

**Les nouvelles technologies doivent être adaptées
aux besoins et à la perception de la société...**



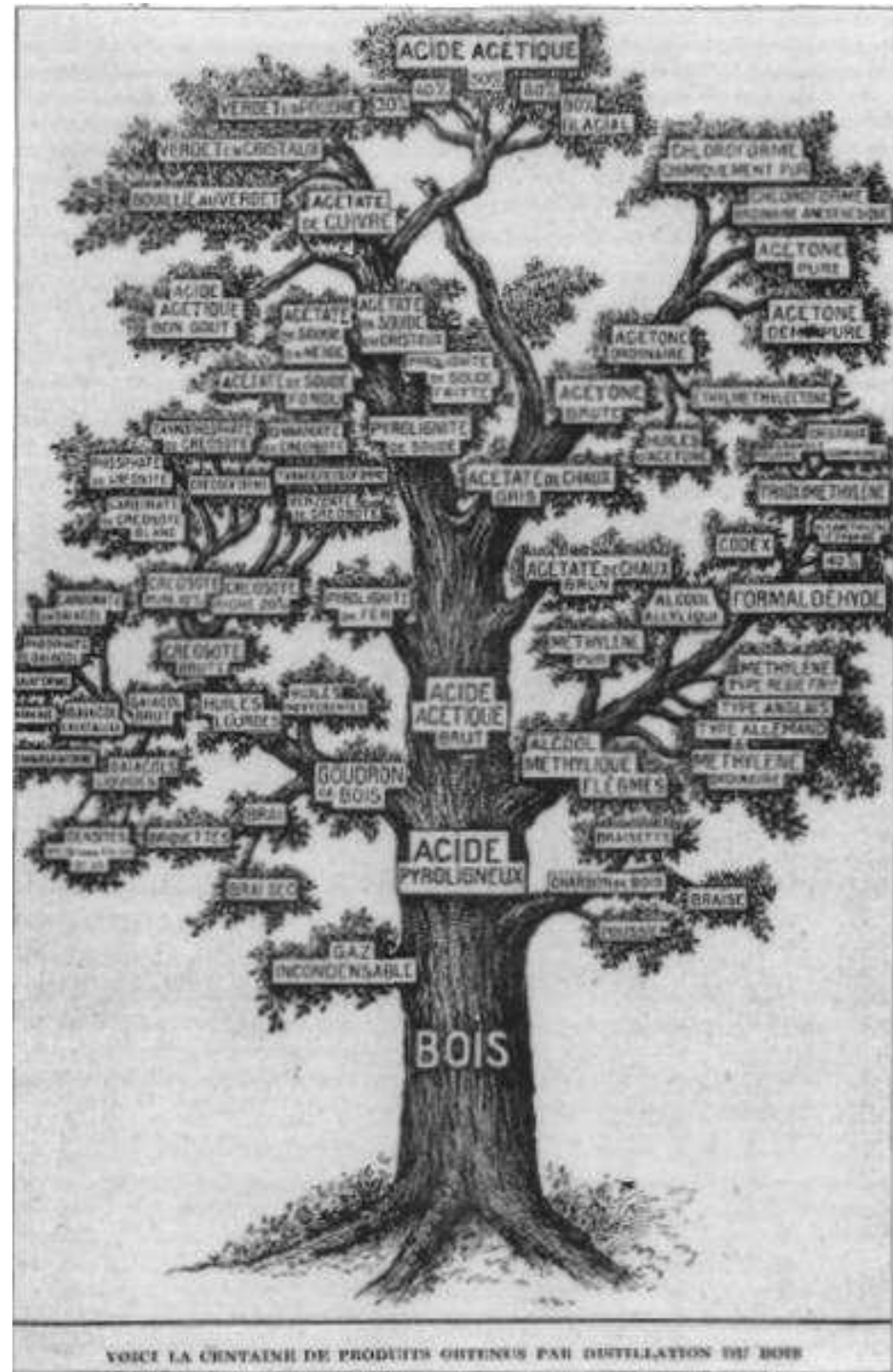
**Faut-il implanter des
bioraffineries industrielles
de grosse taille ?...**

Anenberg, 2013

Des bioraffineries industrielles ont fonctionné en France durant plus de 100 ans !

~ 100 000 tonnes bois/an/usine

Produits obtenus par la pyrolyse du bois au milieu du 20ème siècle



Intéactions possibles entre notre équipe et d'autres équipes de ce GDR sur :

- 1) l'imagerie et l'analyse physico-chimique du bois avant et après pyrolyse (= charbon)**
- 2) la caractérisation « thermo-mécanique » du bois durant son chauffage, in-situ**
- 3) l'évaluation économique et environnementale des filières bois (matière/énergie)**
- 4) la psychologie sociale de la valorisation du bois**

Merci et à bientôt à Nancy !



Supplementary slides