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Larry



Serge

... So why am I here tonight,
as a stand-in for Larry Page?

Feb. 5, 2007

Hi Steve,

Good to talk to you on the plane back from Davos. I noticed we are co-keynoting at AAAS. I'm speaking Saturday and you are on Friday night. If it is the same to you, it would be better for me to swap spots with you so ...

Thanks,

--

-- Larry

Larry,

... As for the request, while I am willing to switch, there would be a lot of people who are arranging their schedules to hear you that would be greatly disappointed to get me. 😊

Cheers,
Steve

[Larry]

If it is the same to you, I would love to switch. I'm sure people will be better off seeing you than me, and I'll get all the smart people who want to go to your talk 😊

Thanks, Larry

Dear Larry and Steve –

I checked overnight with those in AAAS management who might consider their oxen to have been gored, and my position that we should do whatever is necessary to pull off this switch was agreed to without dissent or fulmination ...

Best,

John [Holdren]

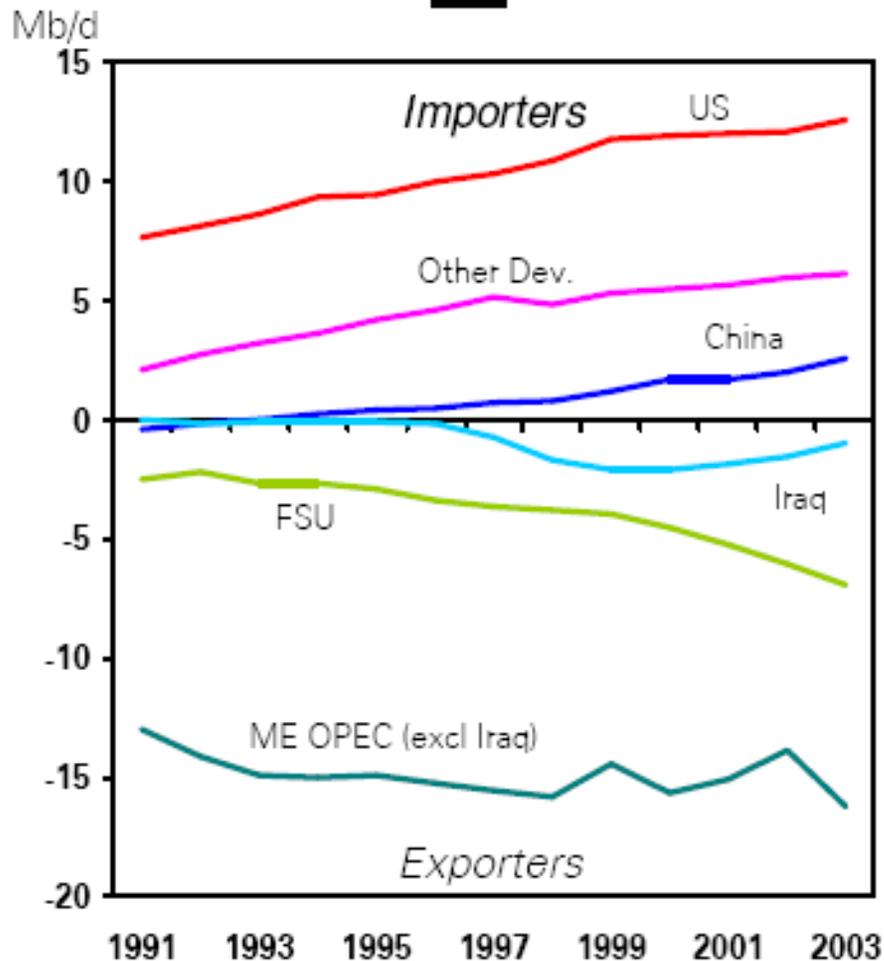
The energy problem and what we can do to solve it

AAAS Annual Meeting
San Francisco
15 - 19 February, 2007

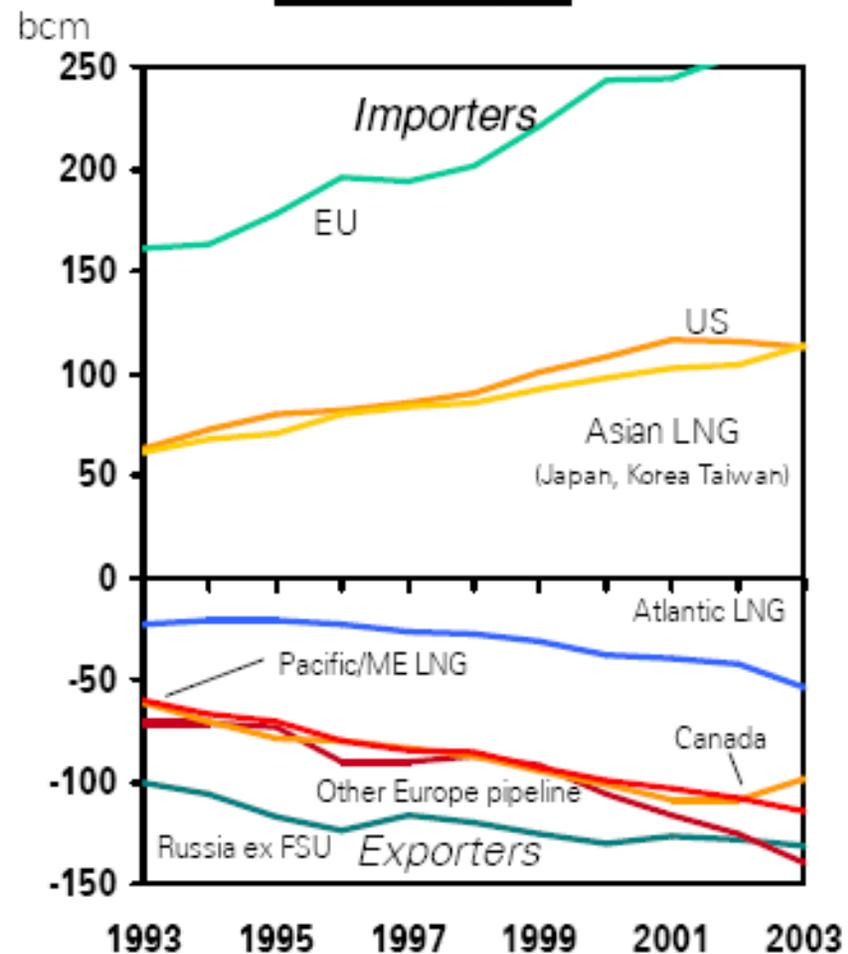
- National, international security and energy security
- Economic prosperity
- The Environment

Energy security and energy dependency

Oil



Natural gas

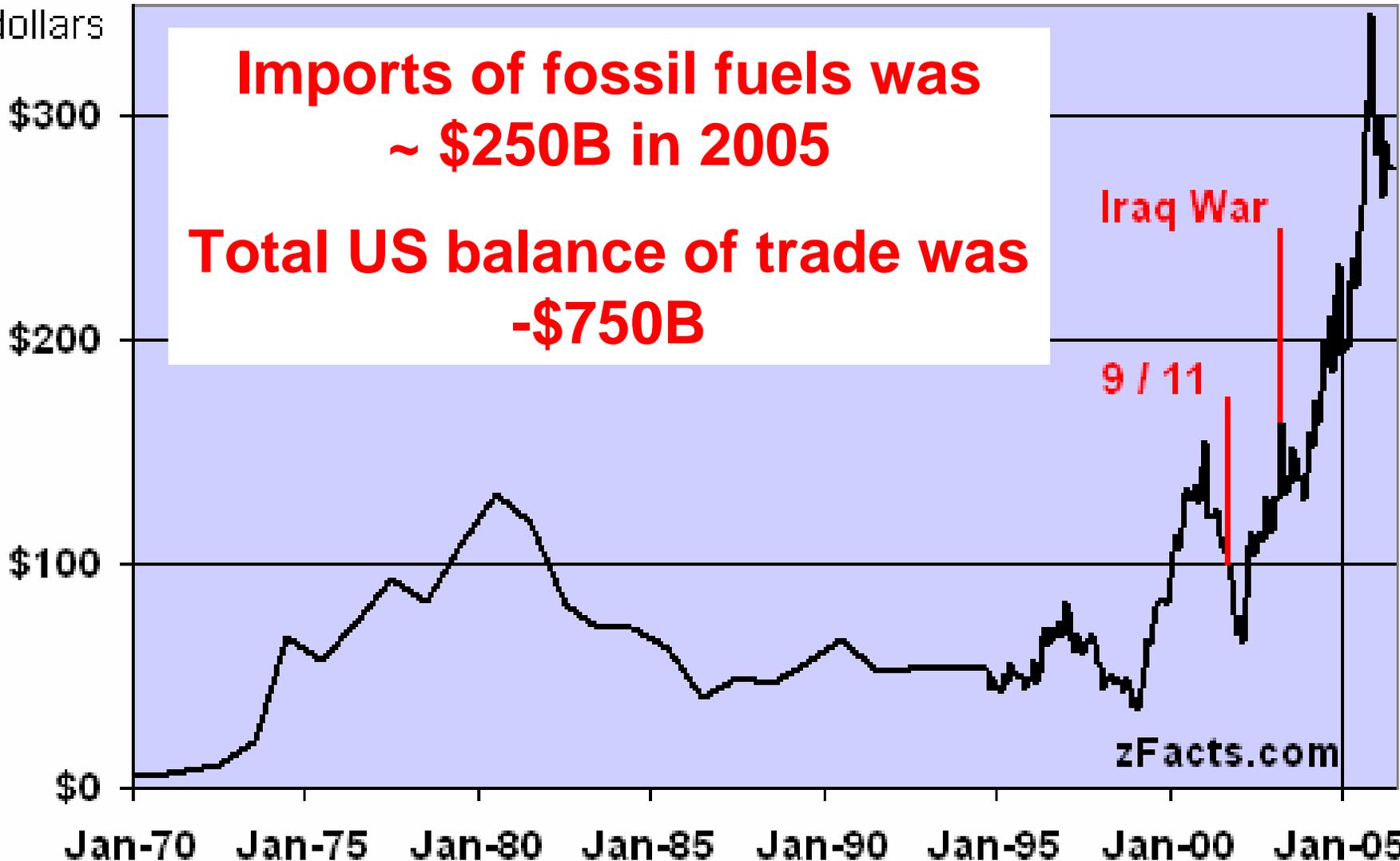


Annual Rate of Spending to Import Fossil Fuels

Billions
today's
dollars

**Imports of fossil fuels was
~ \$250B in 2005**

**Total US balance of trade was
-\$750B**



Iraq War

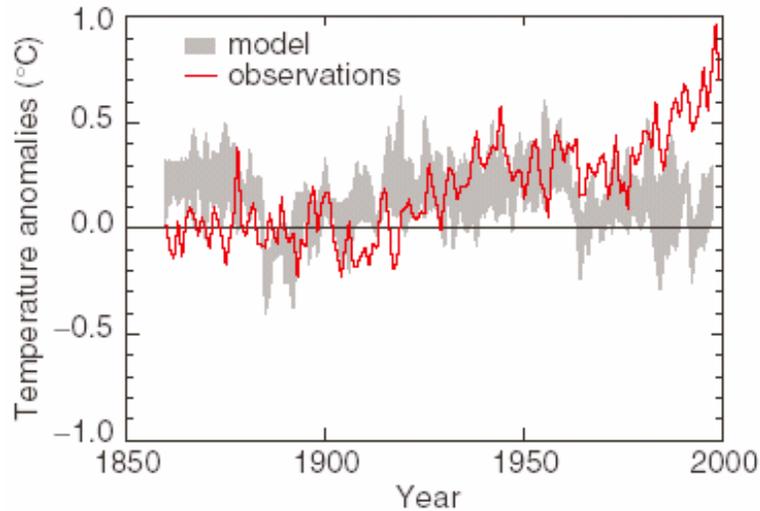
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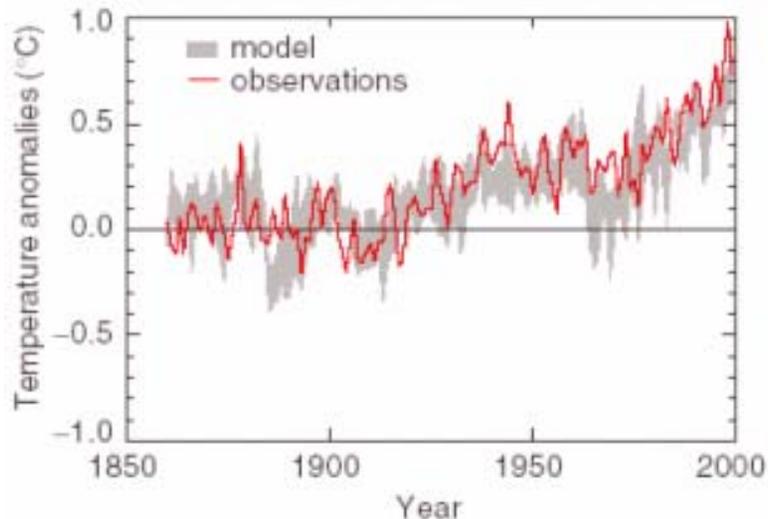
The Earth's climate is
changing ...
and there may be serious
consequences.

**Risk management is prudent and
in our best long-term social and
economic interests.**

Temperature rise due to human emission of greenhouse gases



Climate change due to natural causes (solar variations, volcanoes, etc.)



Climate change due to natural causes and human generated greenhouse gases

Emissions pathways, climate change, and impacts on California

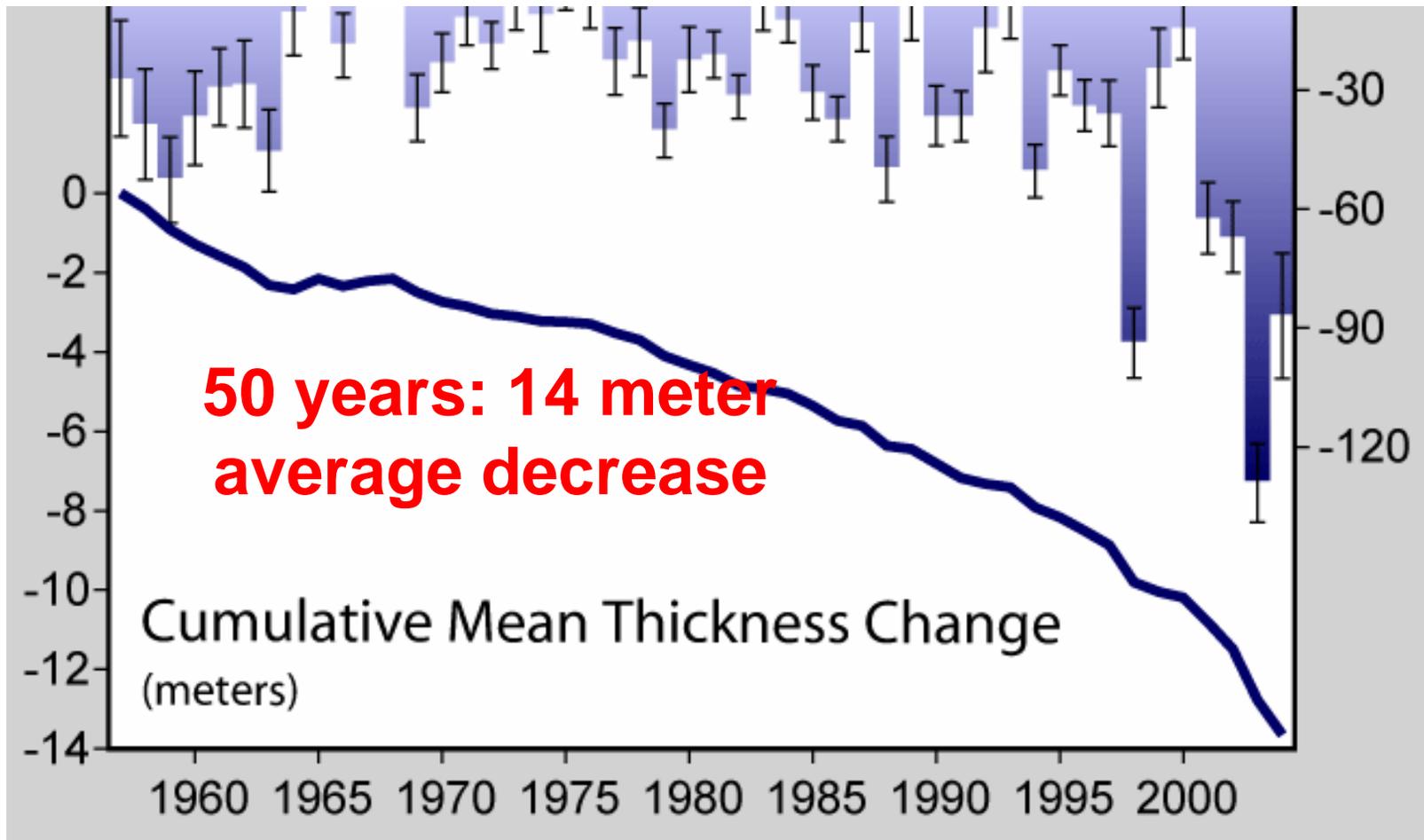
K. Hayhoea, et al., PNAS **101**, 12422 (2004)

Using two climate models that bracket most of the IPCC emissions scenarios:

	<u>B1</u>	<u>A1 fi</u>
Heat wave mortality:	2-3x	5-7x
Alpine/subalpine forests	50–75%	75–90%
Sierra snowpack	30–70%	73–90%

“...[this] could fundamentally disrupt California’s water rights system.”

Tibetan snow and glacial melt helps feed help feed ten of Asia's largest rivers, which bring freshwater to half of Earth's population.



Yellow River

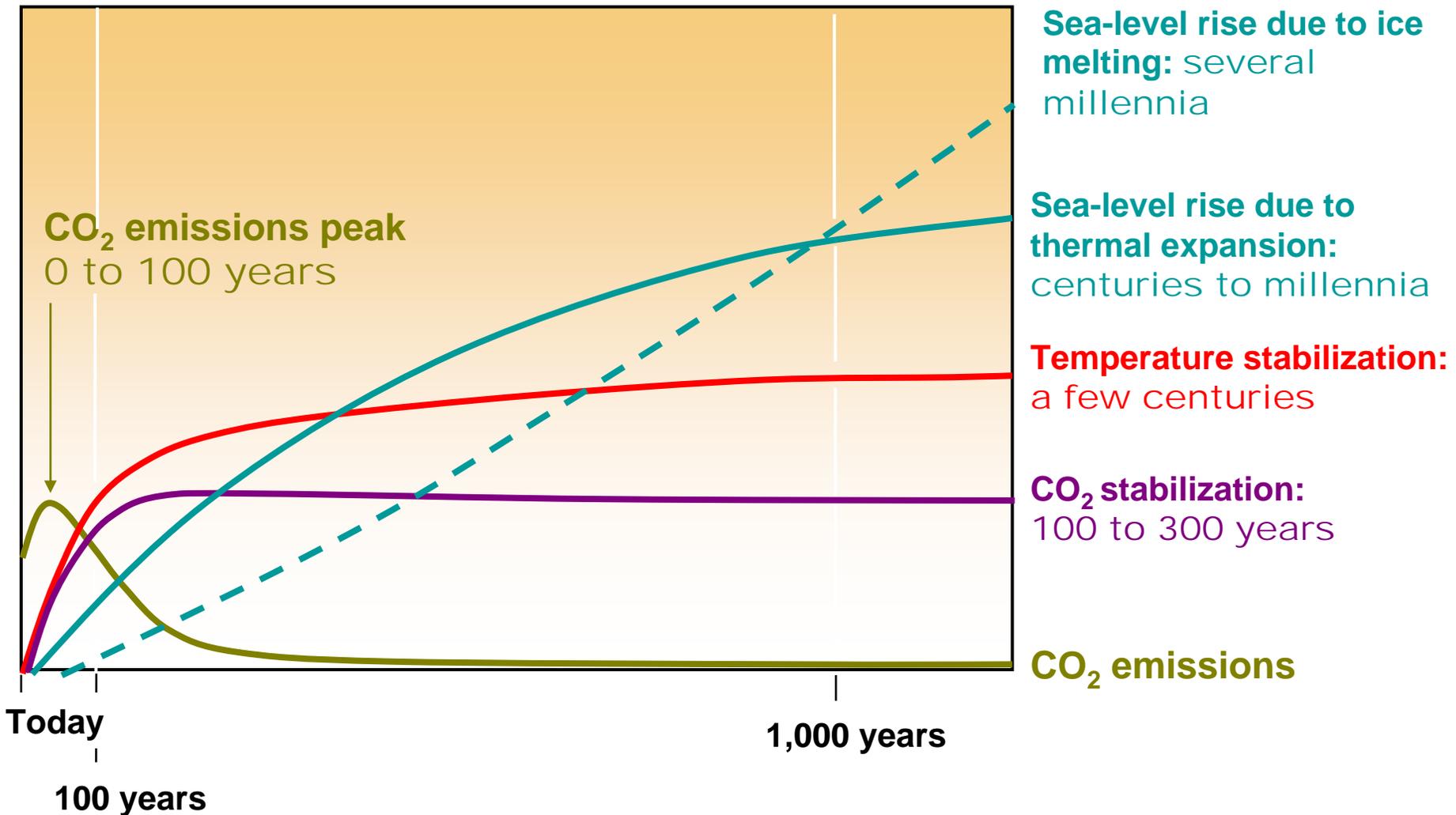
Indus Basin

Ganga-Brahmaputra-Meghna Basin

Yangtze River



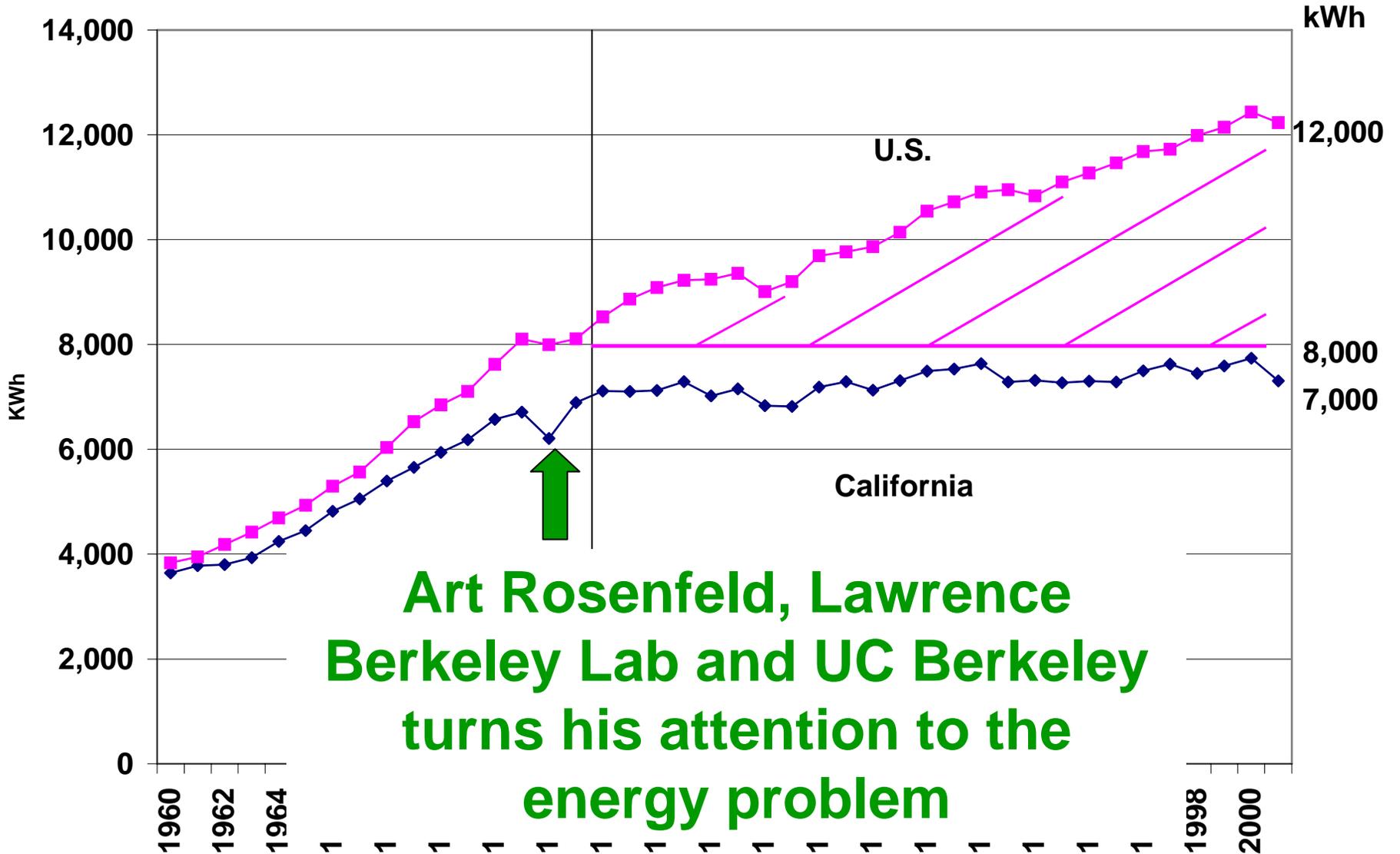
CO₂ Concentration, Temperature, and Sea Level will rise long after Emissions are Reduced



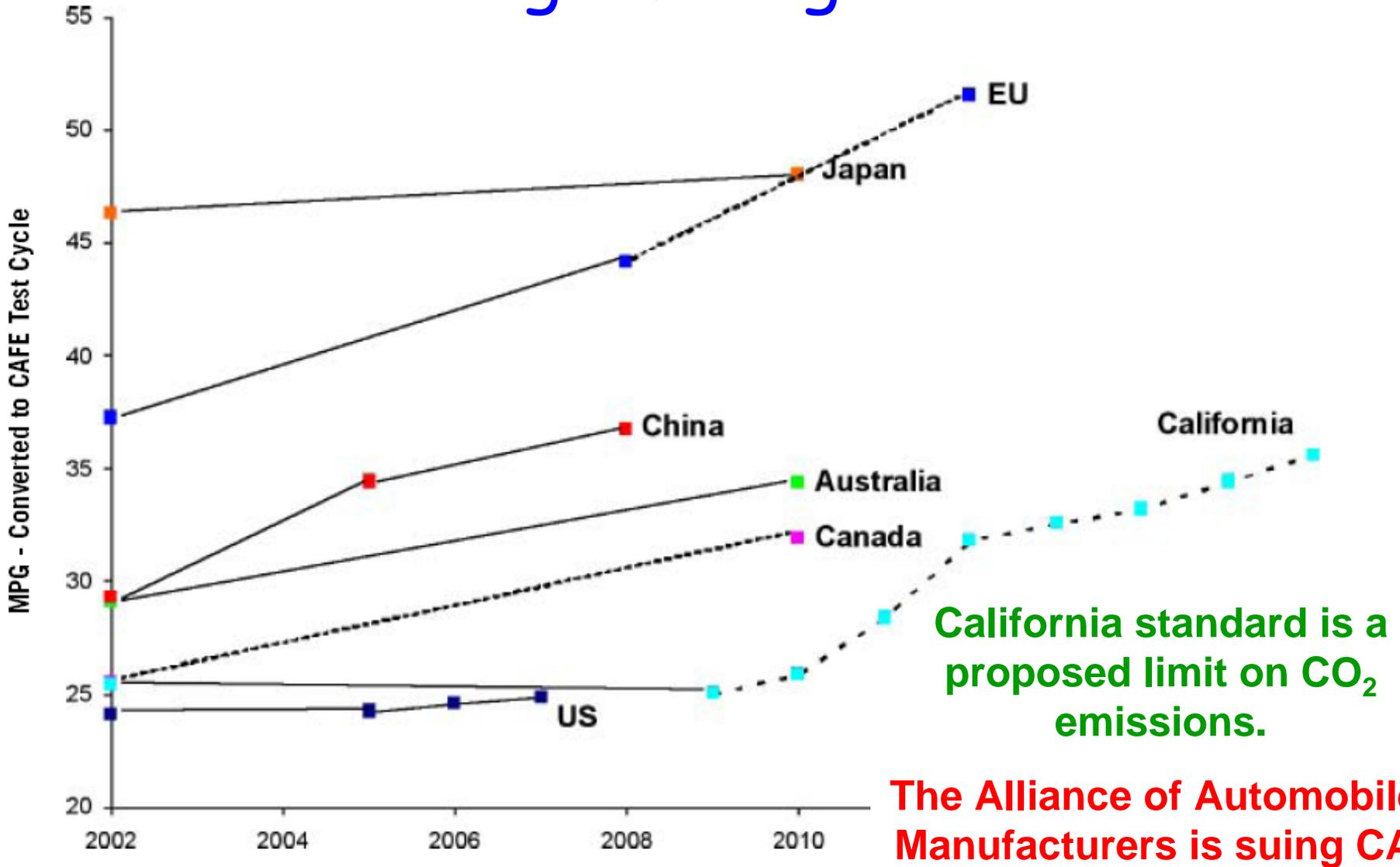
A dual strategy is needed to solve the energy problem:

- 1) Maximize energy efficiency and minimize energy use
- 2) Develop new sources of clean energy

Electricity Consumption/person in the US and California



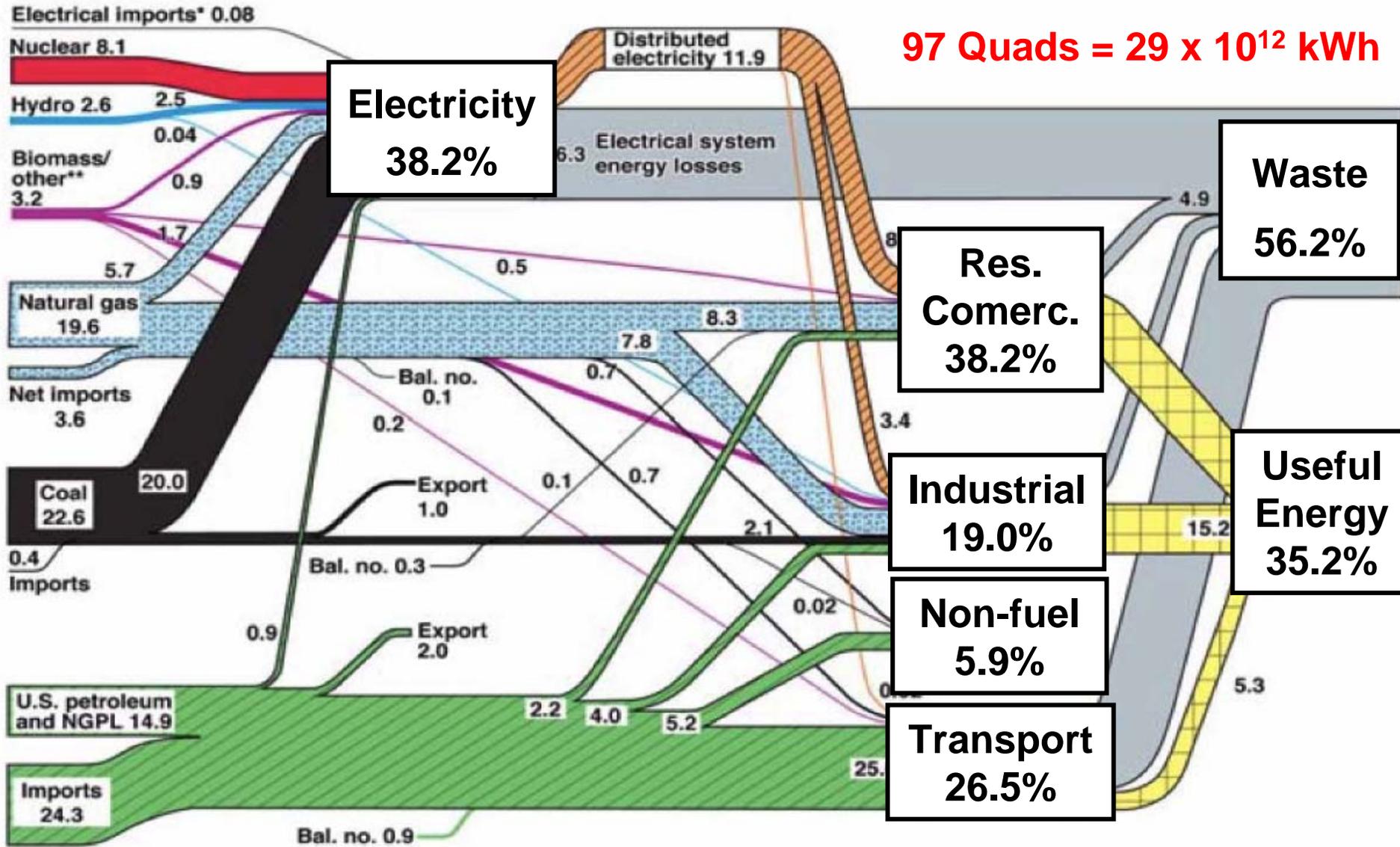
Fleet average mileage standards



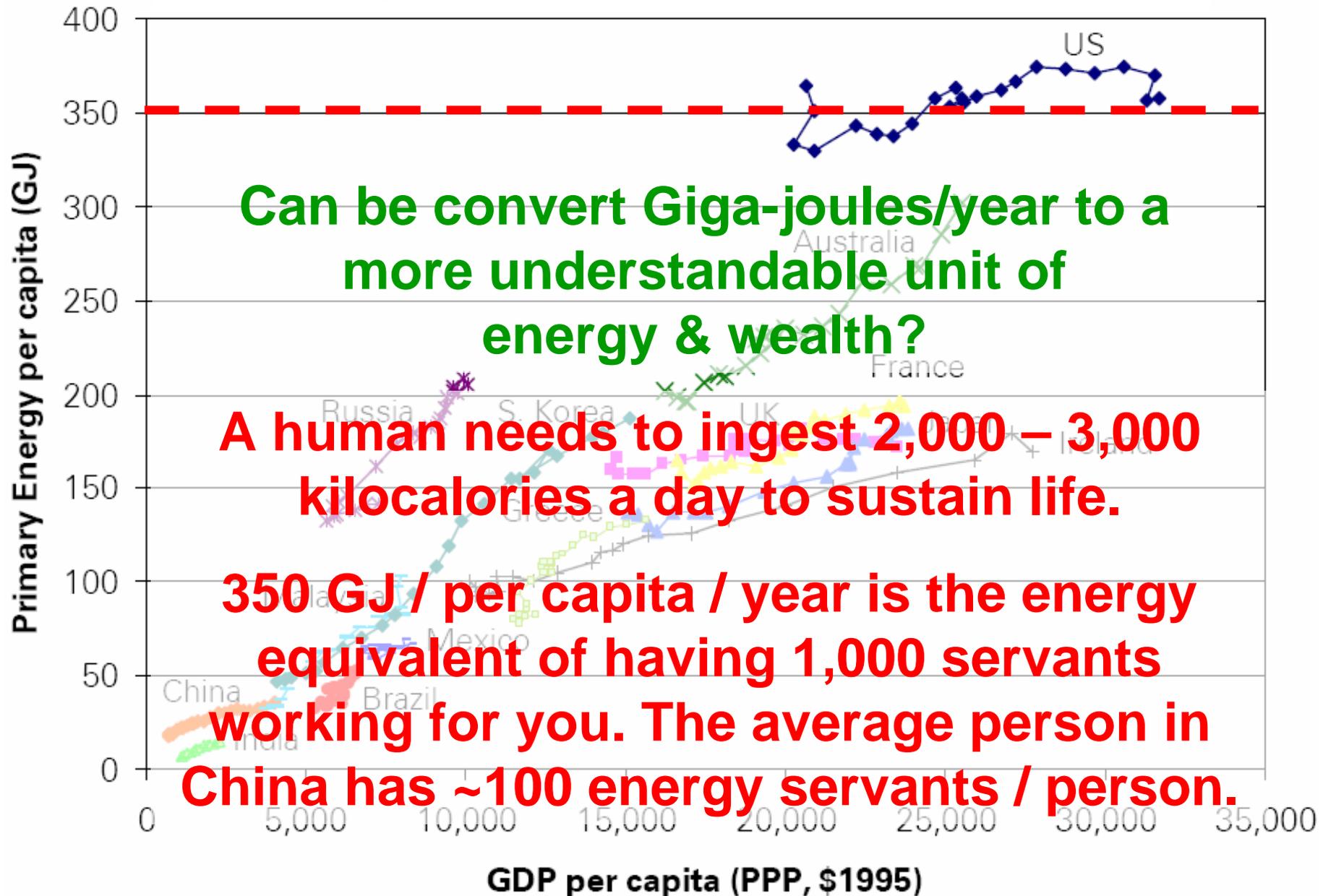
Notes: (1) dotted lines denote proposed standards
(2) MPG = miles per gallon

U.S. Energy Flow Trends – 2002

Net Primary Resource Consumption ~97 Quads



Energy demand vs. GDP per capita



Is it possible have the *projected maximum* world population at it live with a middle-class standard of OECD countries?

World population will peak at $< 10^{10}$ people

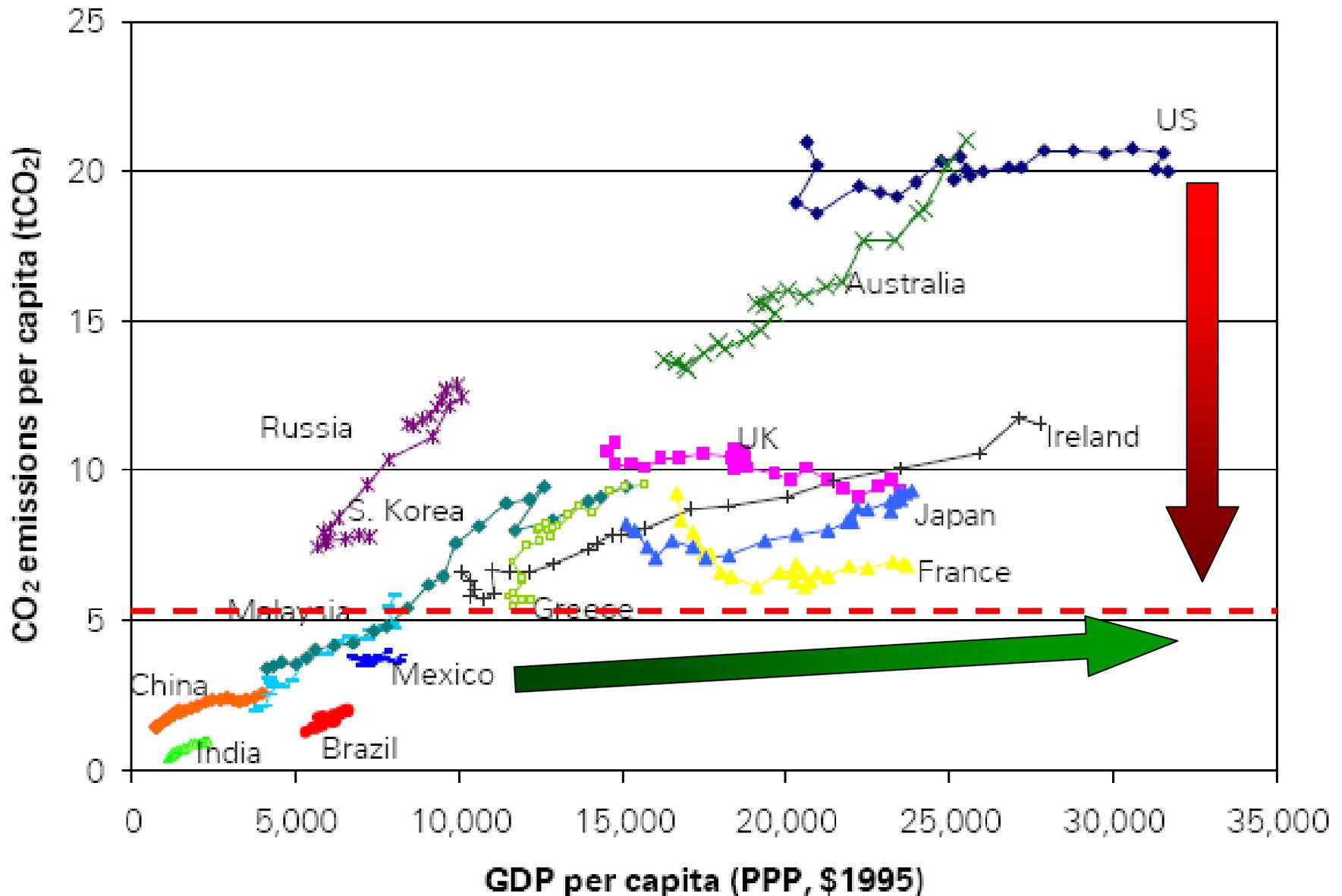
US consumes $\sim 10 - 12$ kW / person, EU $\sim 5-6$ kW

Suppose we learn to live with 3 - 4 kW/person
($\sim 300 - 400$ energy “servants”)

... or produce more energy “servants” that are
carbon-neutral

**We will need to harness 0.04% of the solar
power incident on the Earth**

CO₂ emissions of selected countries





Transitioning to Sustainable Use of Energy

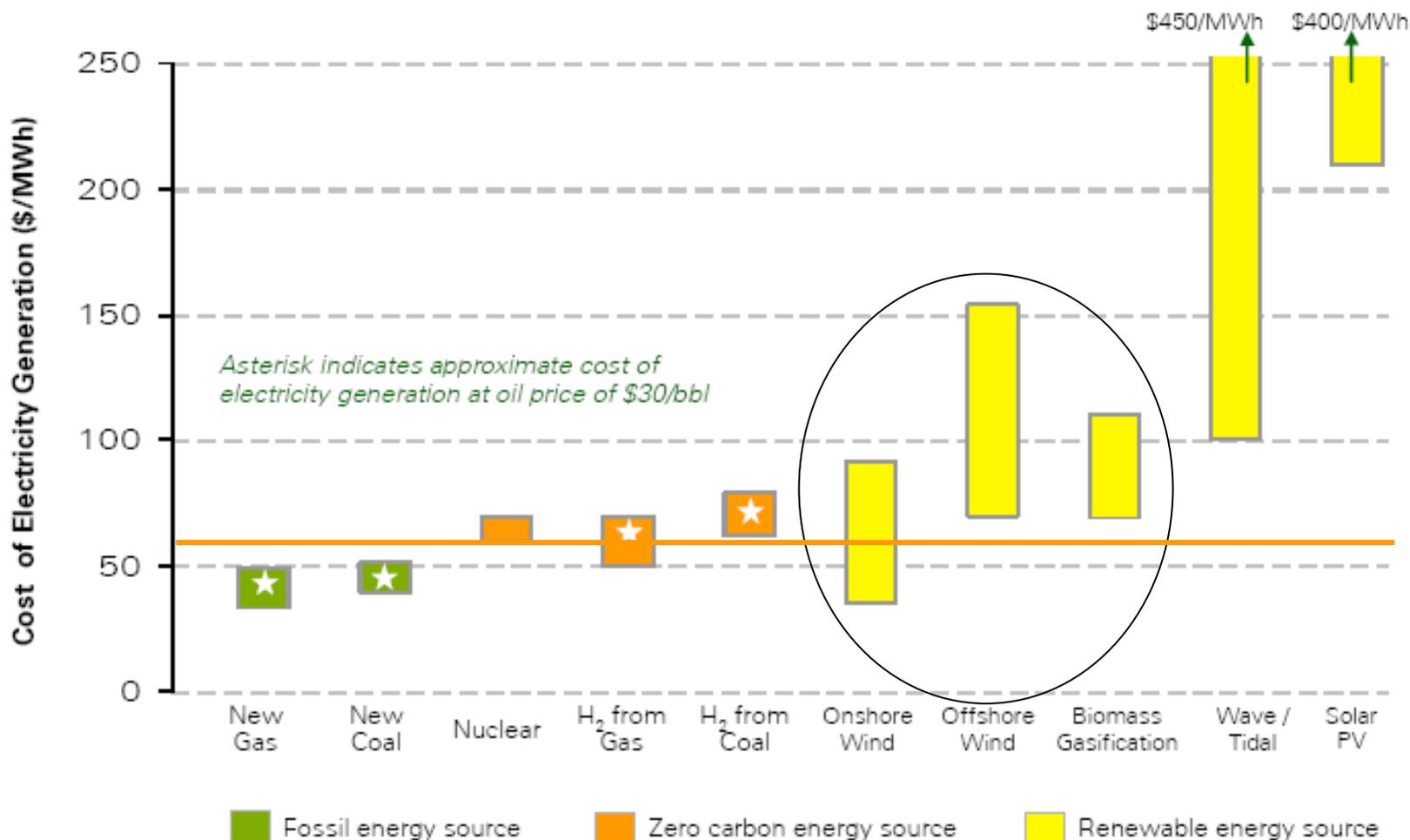
Is it possible to create a road map of energy research and policies that will allow us to achieve transitions to an affordable, sustainable clean energy supply?

**Co-chairs: Jose Goldemberg, Brazil
Steven Chu, USA**

2005 costs of electricity generation for conventional, renewable and alternative options



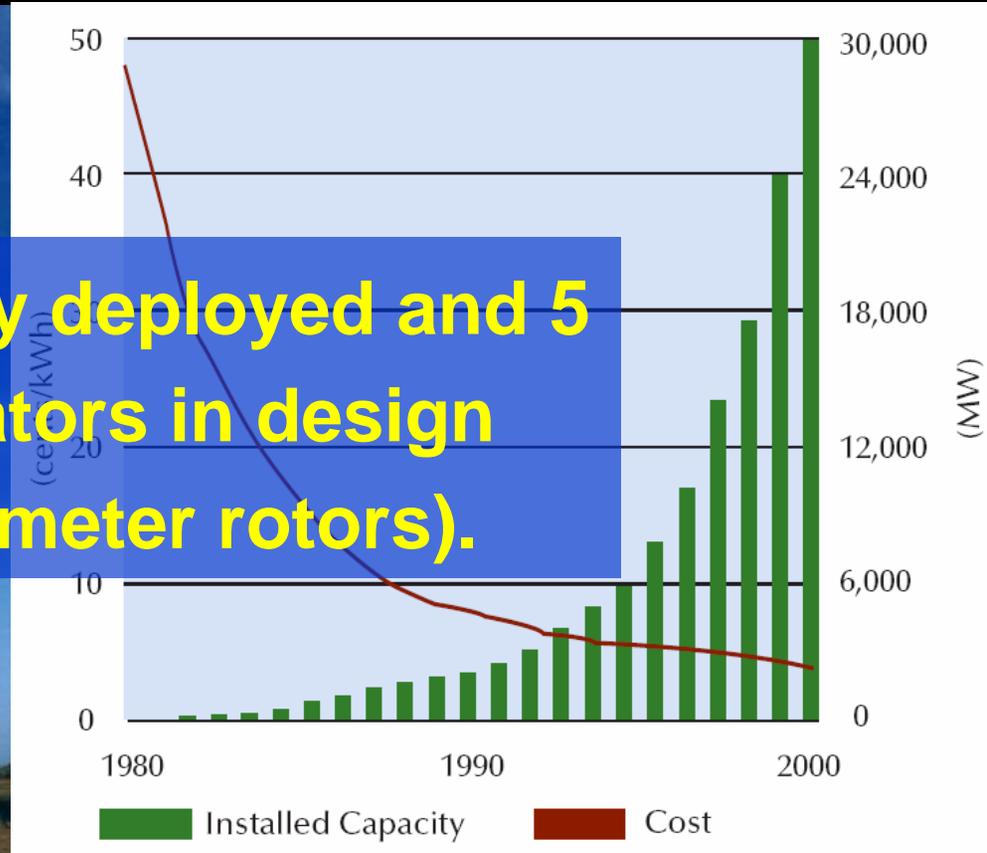
A 25% increase in



Modest but **stable** fiscal incentives were essential to stimulate long term development of power generation from wind

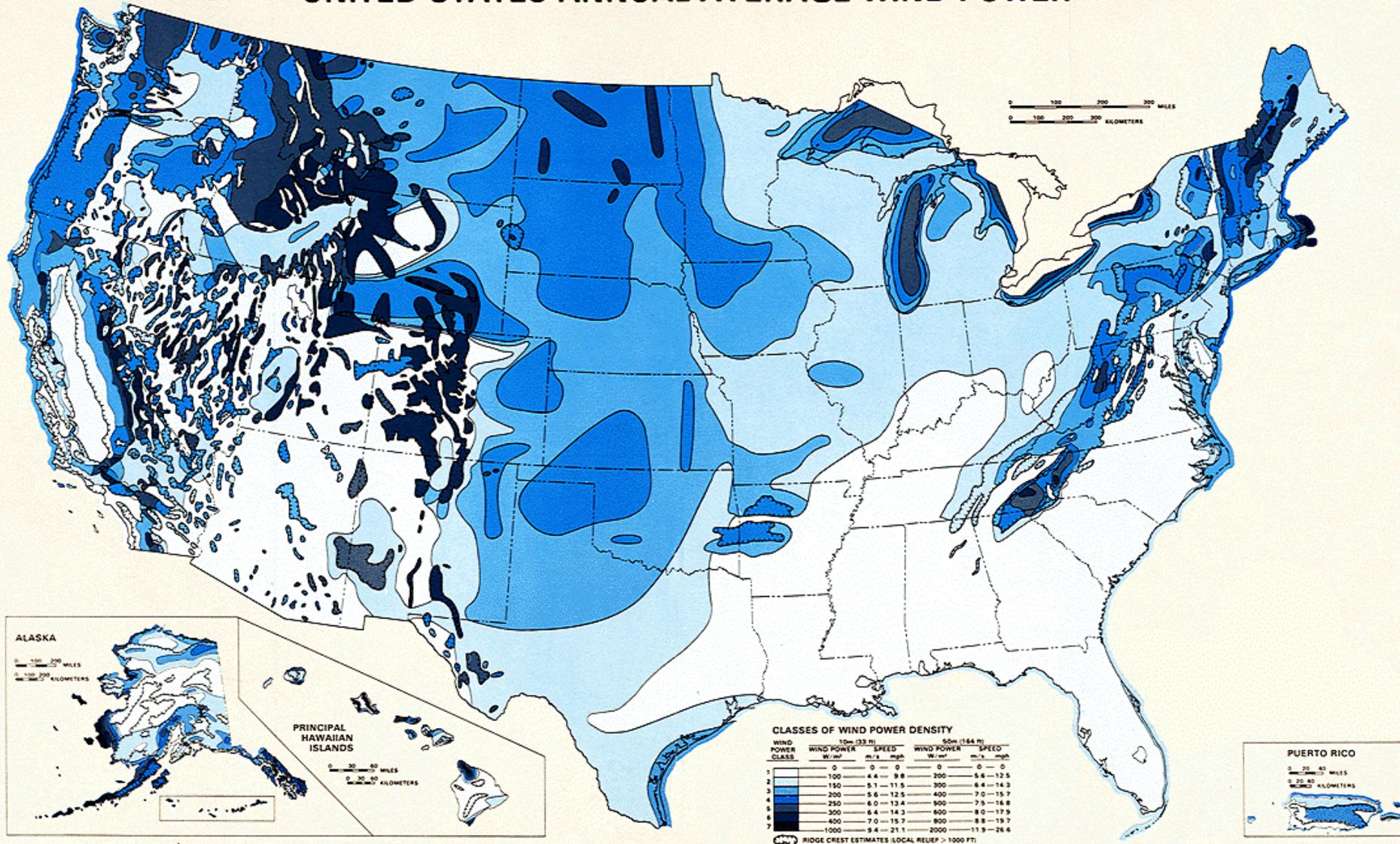


3 MW capacity deployed and 5 MW generators in design (126 m diameter rotors).

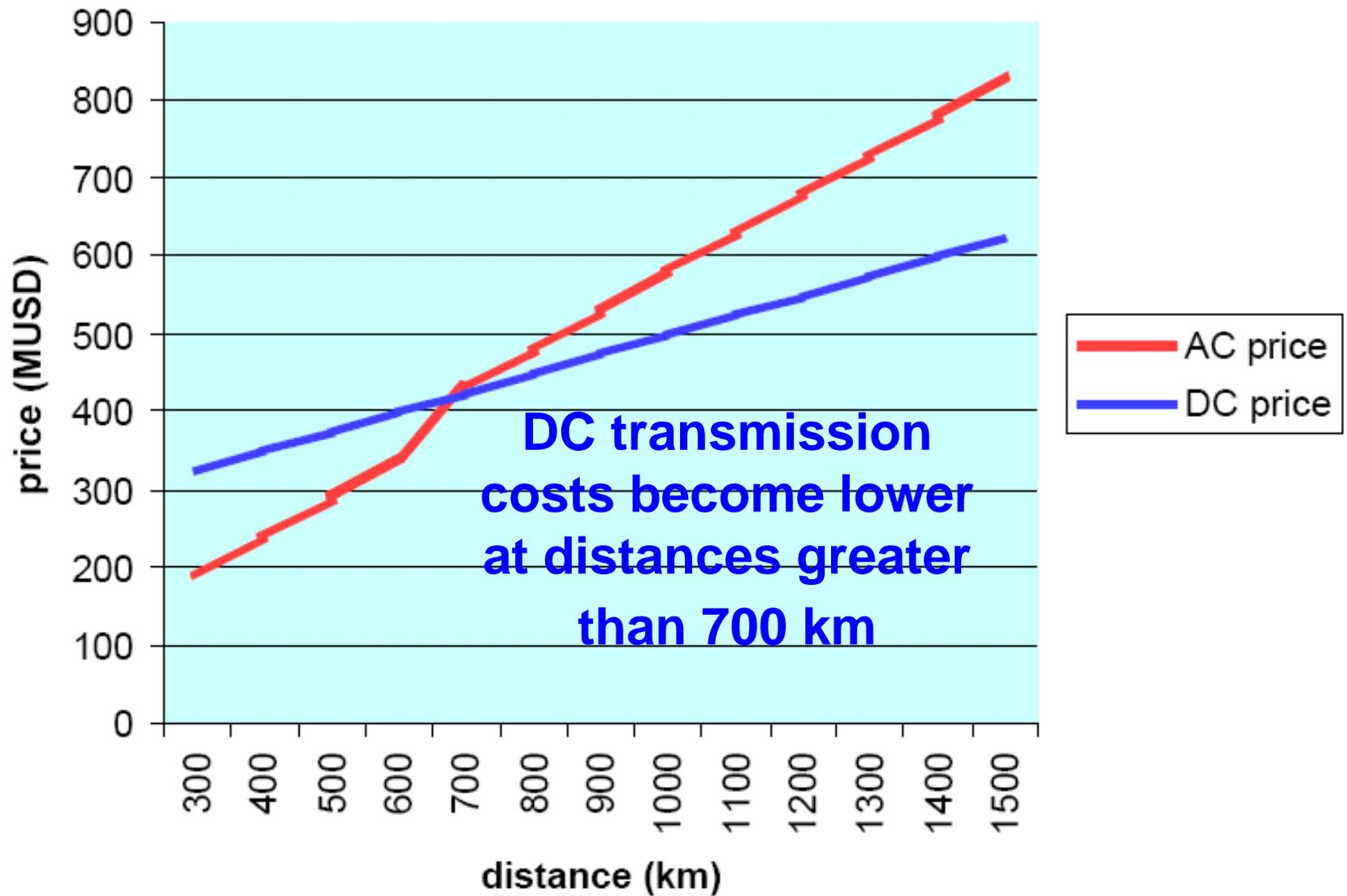


Wind sites in the US

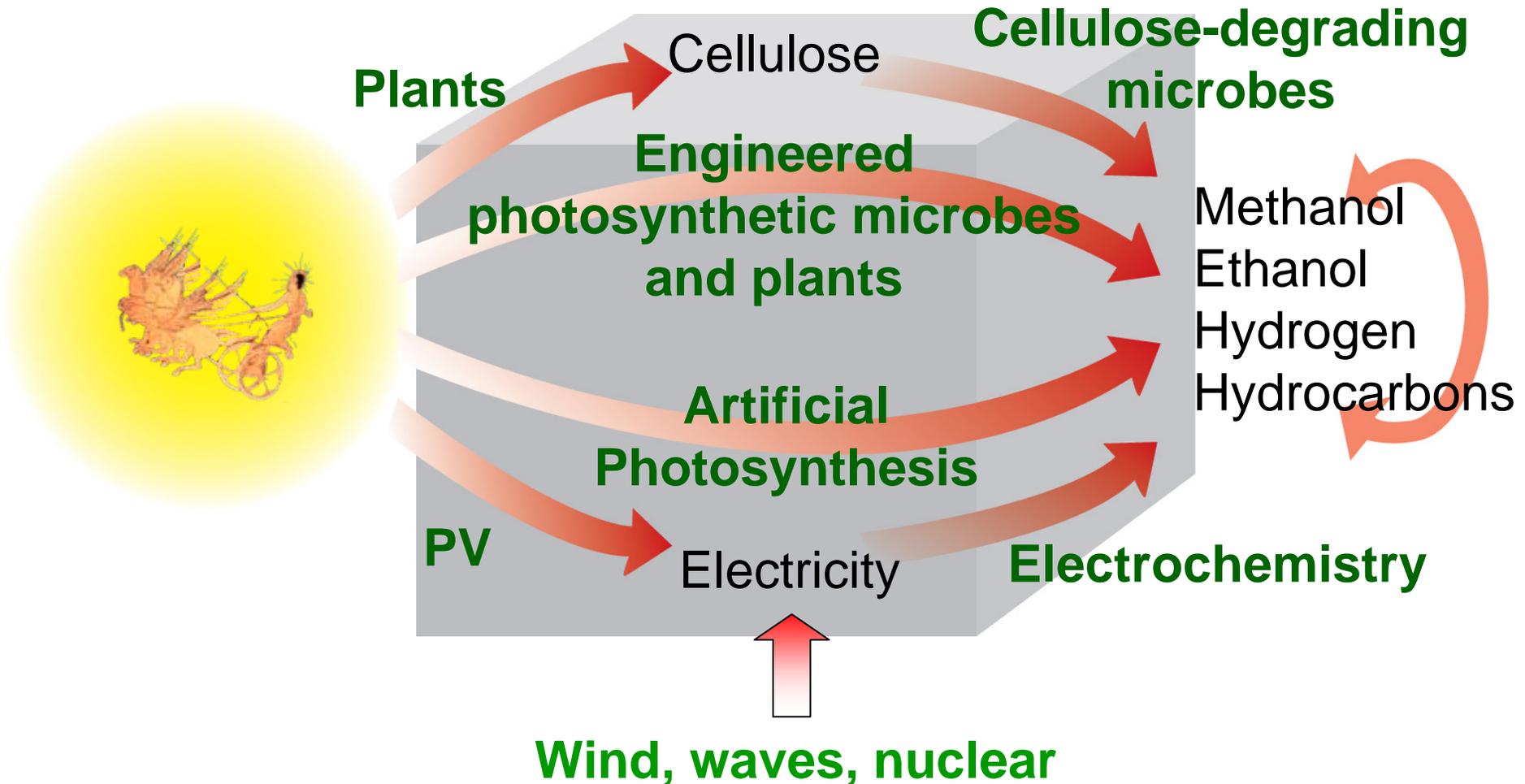
UNITED STATES ANNUAL AVERAGE WIND POWER



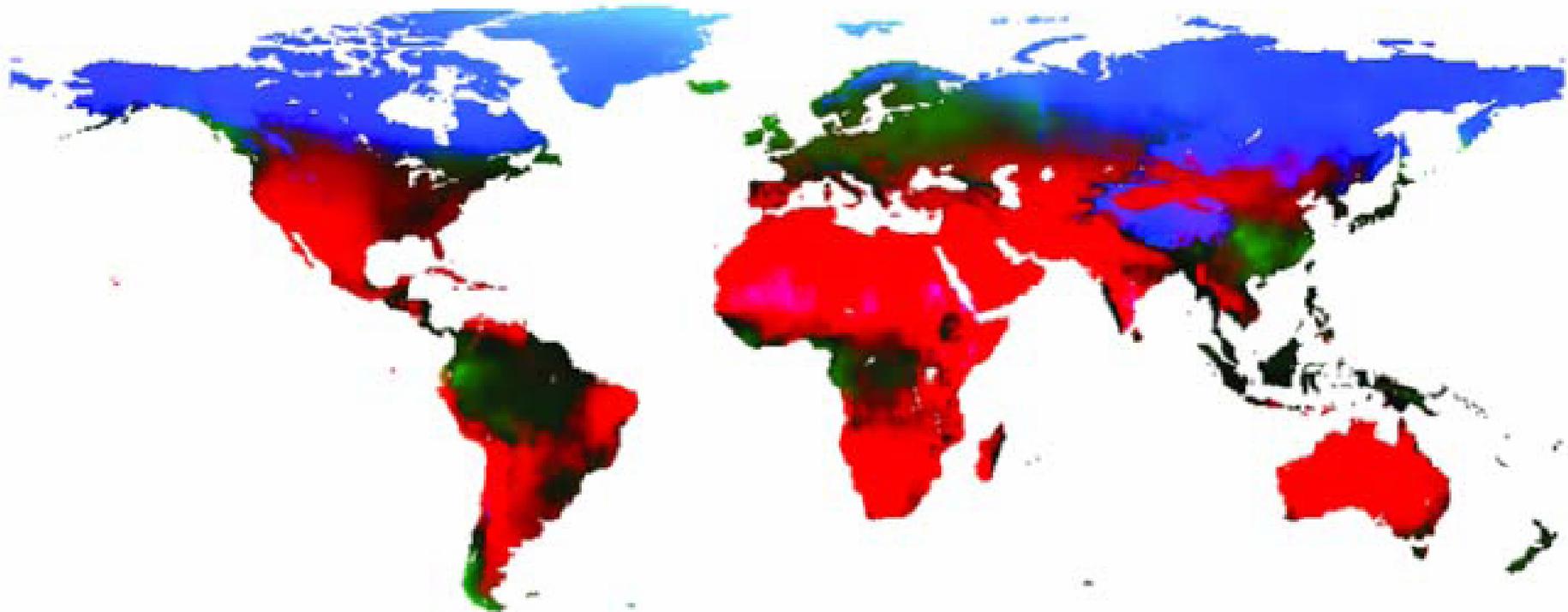
We need an efficient, national transmission line network



Helios: Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and UC Berkeley's attack on the energy problem



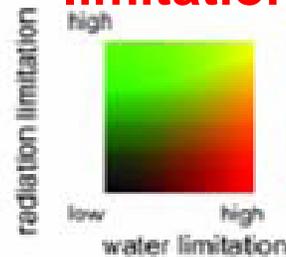
Limiting factors for plant productivity



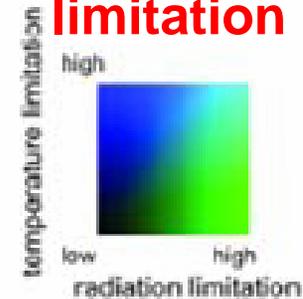
**Temp/water
limitation**



**Rad/water
limitation**



**temp/water
limitation**

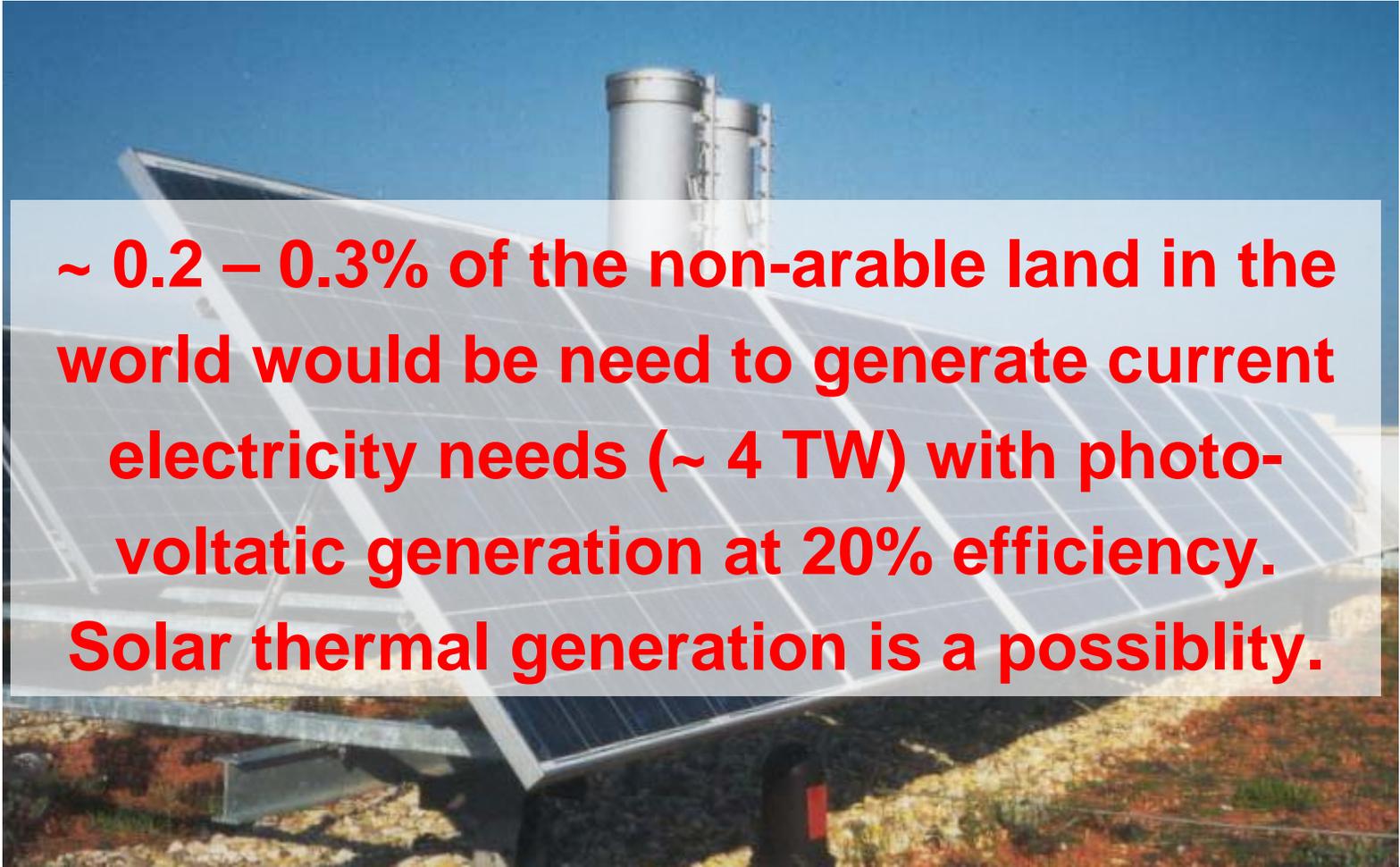


Area requirements to satisfy all US electricity at 15% efficiency



J.A. Turner, *Science* 285 1999, p. 687.

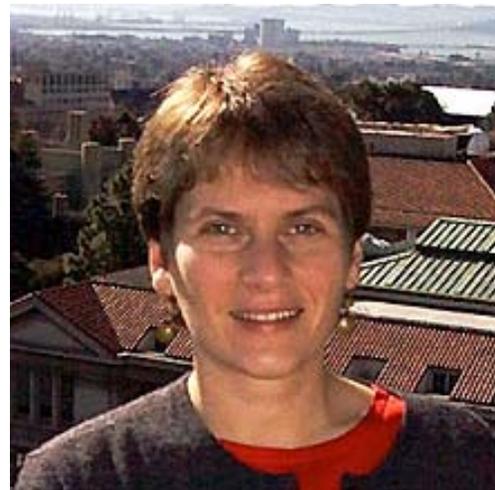
- Reduction of costs by a factor of ~ 3 is needed for roof-top deployment without subsidy.
- A new class of solar cells at $\sim 1/10^{\text{th}}$ current cost is needed for wide-spread deployment.



$\sim 0.2 - 0.3\%$ of the non-arable land in the world would be needed to generate current electricity needs (~ 4 TW) with photovoltaic generation at 20% efficiency. Solar thermal generation is a possibility.

The Molecular Foundry

Foundry Director, Carolyn Bertozzi

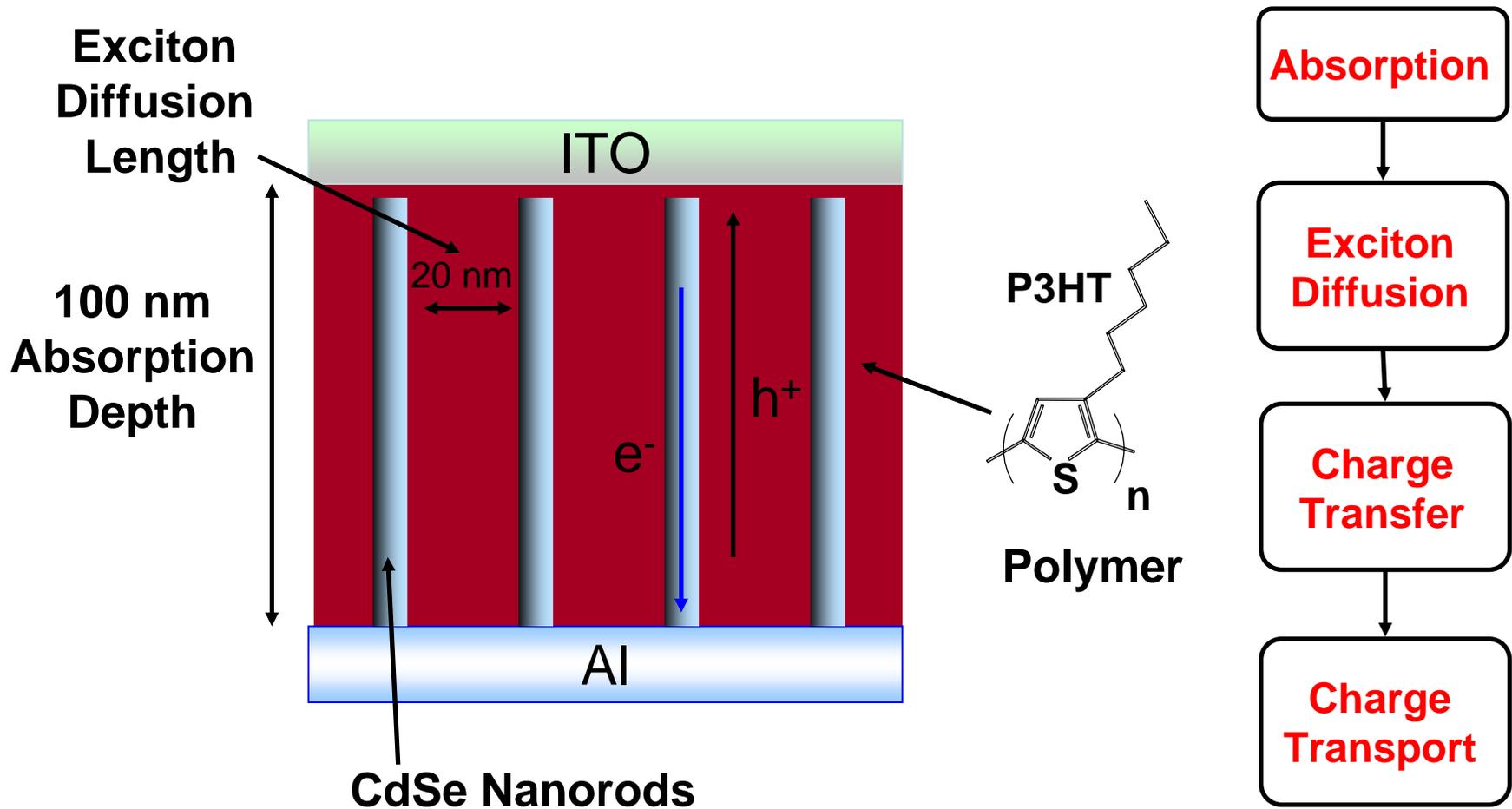


Paul Alivisatos, Associate Lab
Director, Physical Science



Limiting sizes for distributed junction nano-solar cells

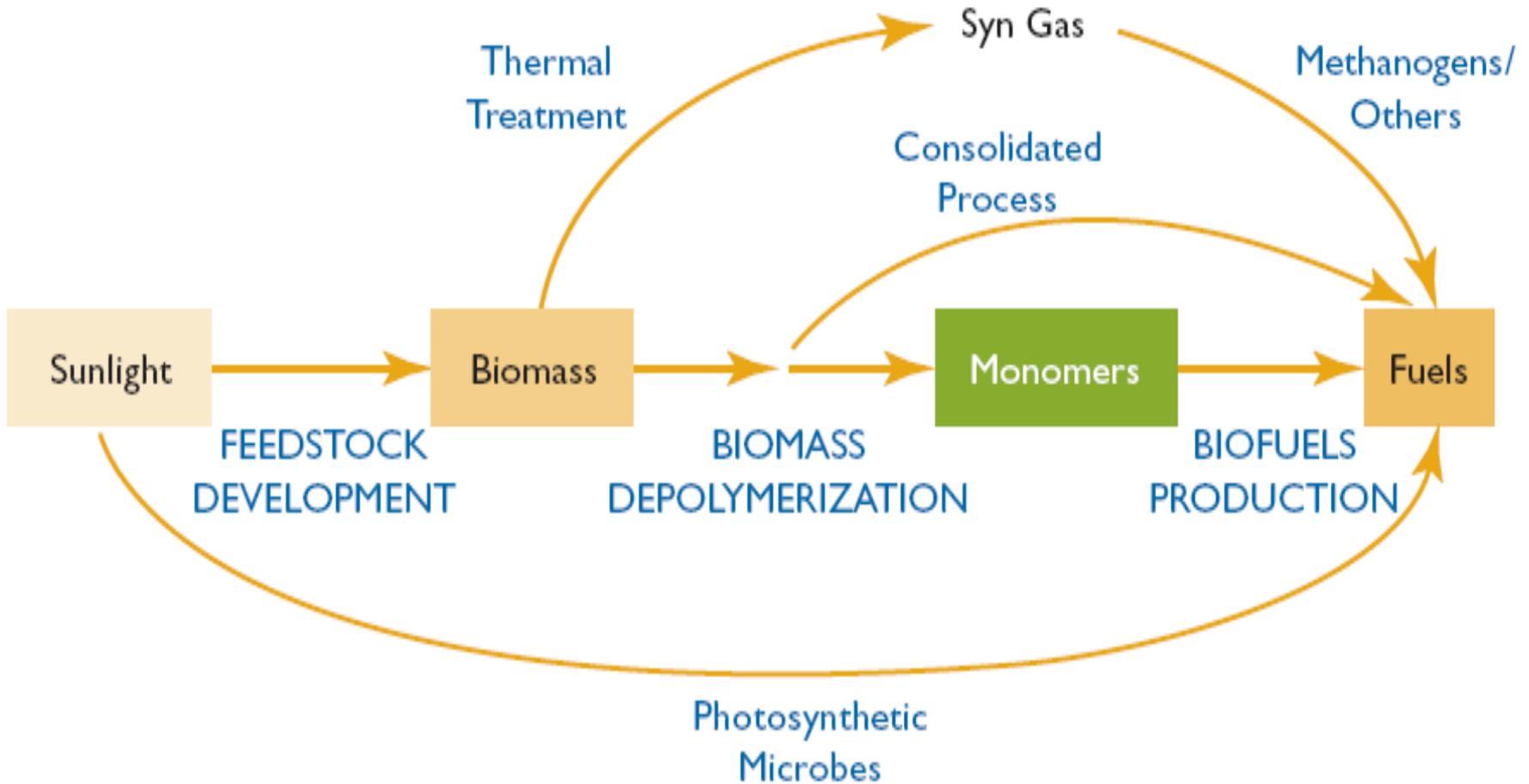
(Creation of electrons and holes by one nano-structure; charge transport to electrodes with another.)



Reel-to-reel mass production of solar cells?



Biomass fuel production

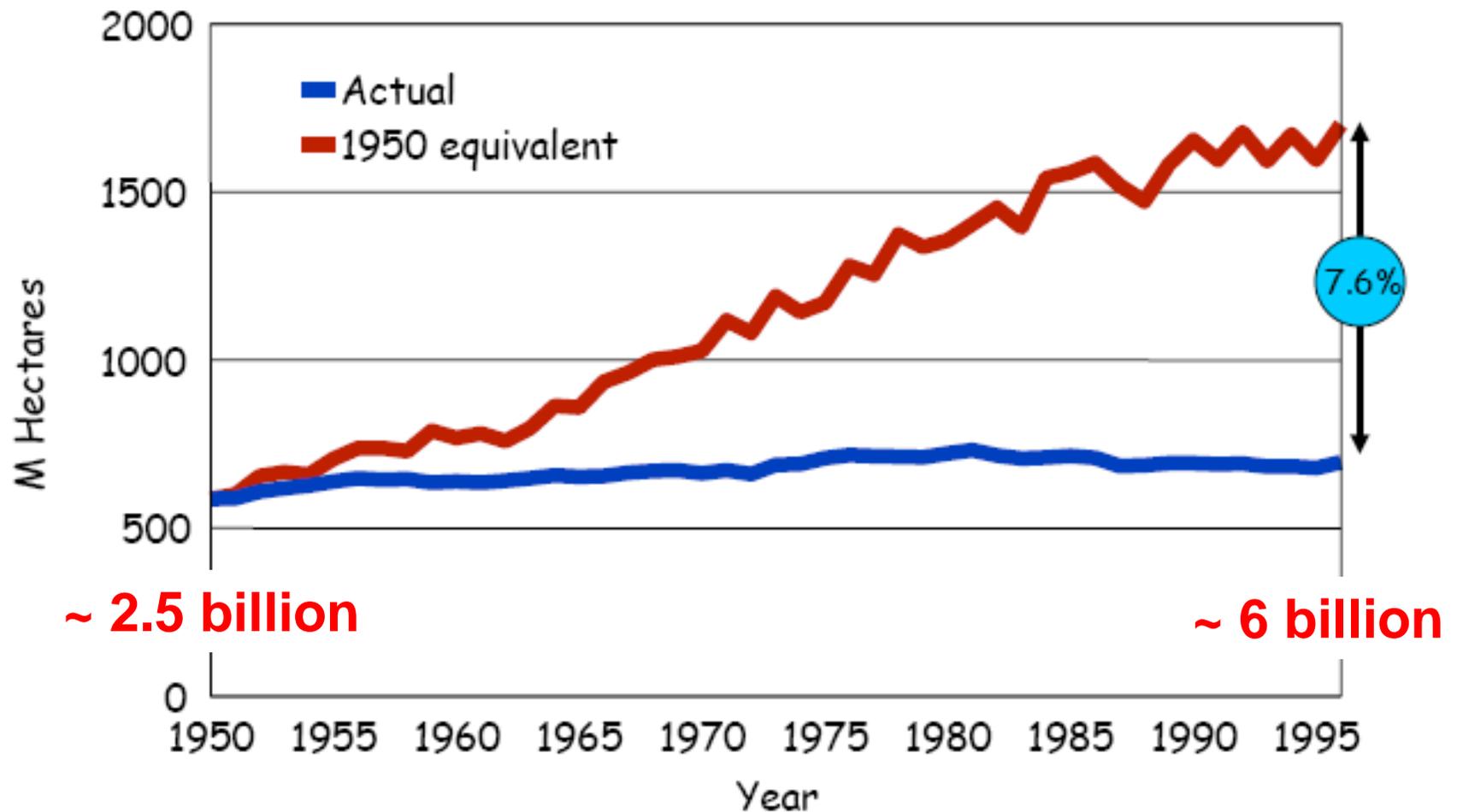


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Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
Univ. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

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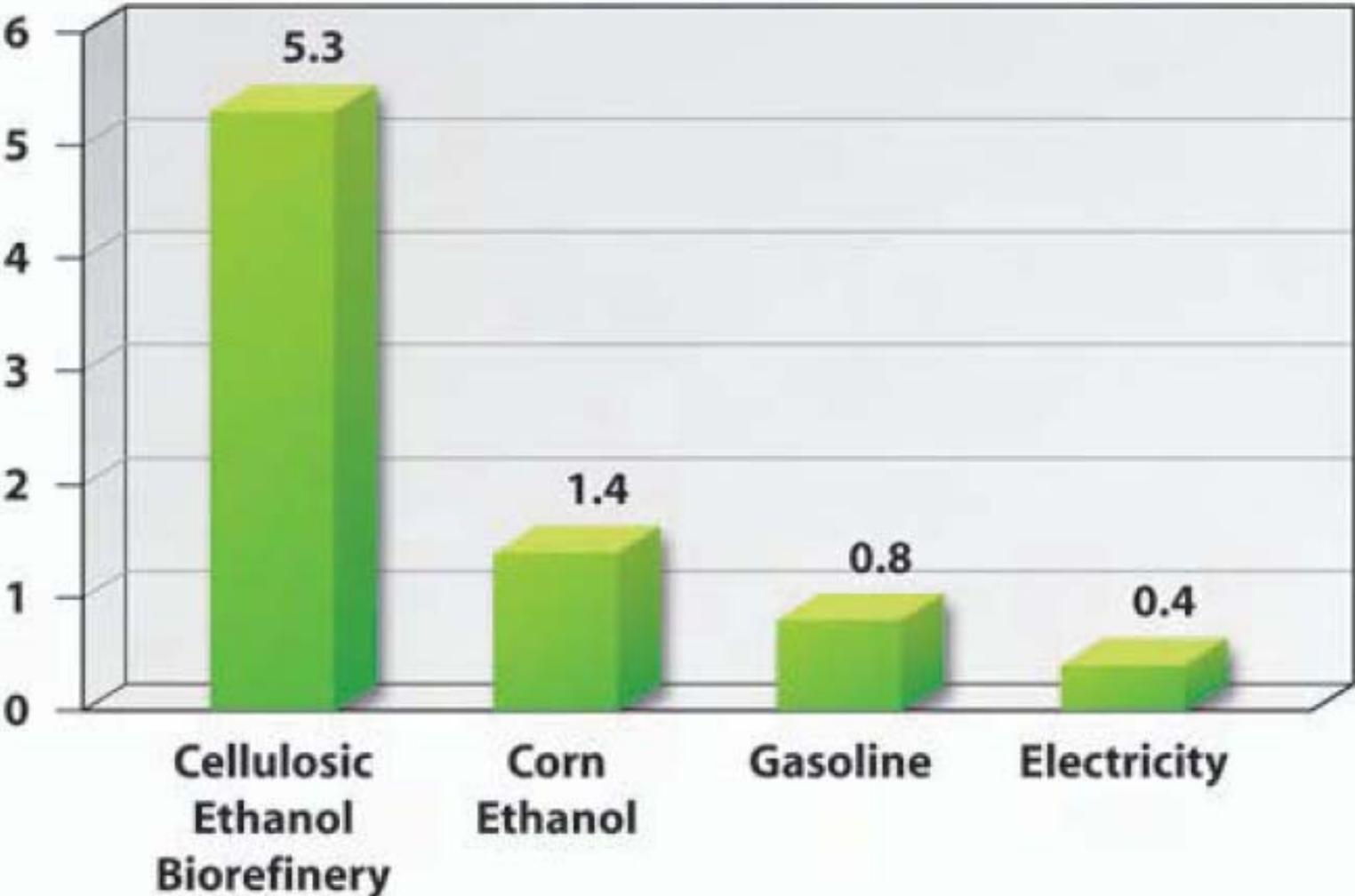


Hectares of Grain With and Without Yield Improvements

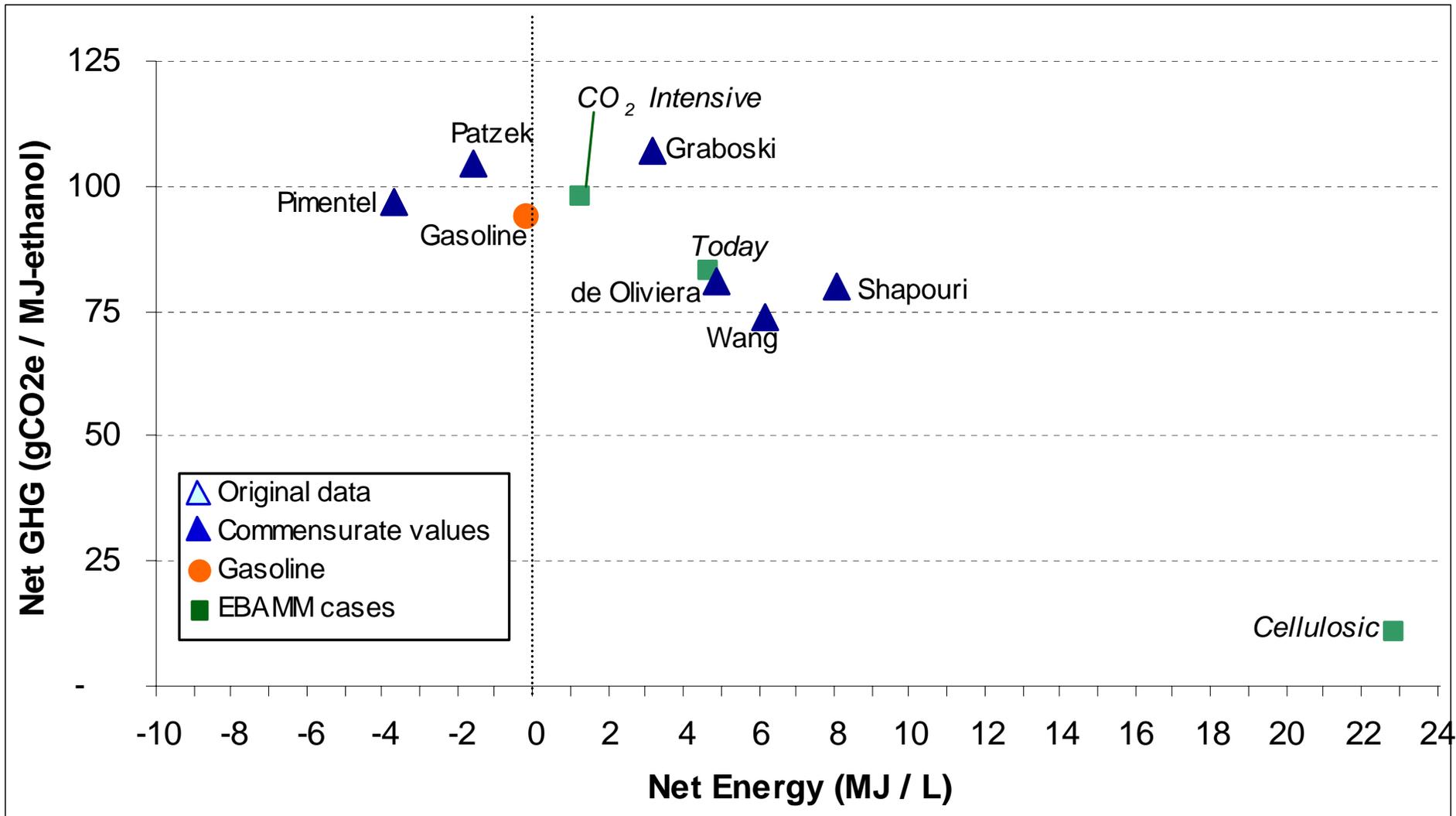


Data from Worldwatch database 1996, 1997

Fossil Energy Ratio (FER) = $\frac{\text{Energy Delivered to Customer}}{\text{Fossil Energy Used}}$



Greenhouse Gases



**Alex Farrell, Dan Kammen, et. al.,
“Meta-analysis” of existing literature, Science 2006**

- Miscanthus yields: **26** dry tons/acre demonstrated
(Official DOE and USDA estimate uses **8** dry tons/acre)
- 100 M acres \Rightarrow \sim 200 B gal / year of ethanol
- US consumption (2004) = 141 B gal of gasoline
 \sim 200 B gal of ethanol / year



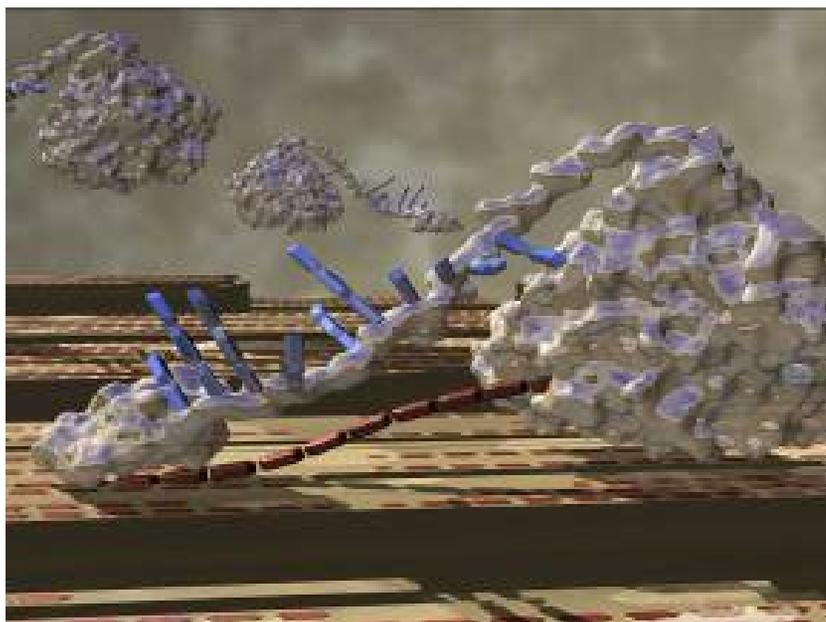
\sim 2% conversion efficiency was demonstrated on non-irrigated, non-fertilized test field in Illinois.

Courtesy Steve Long, UIUC

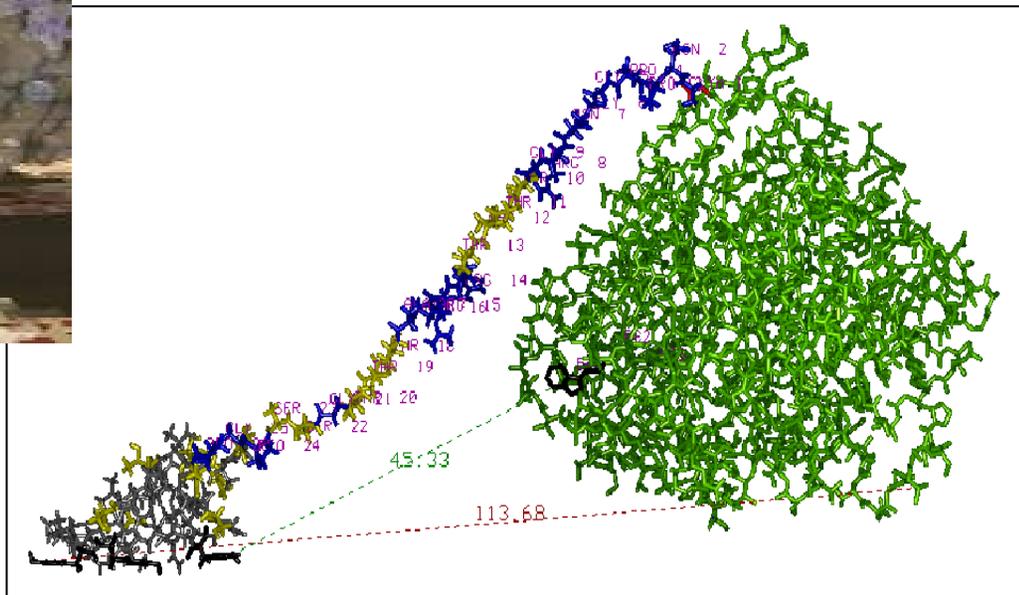
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The RESULT:

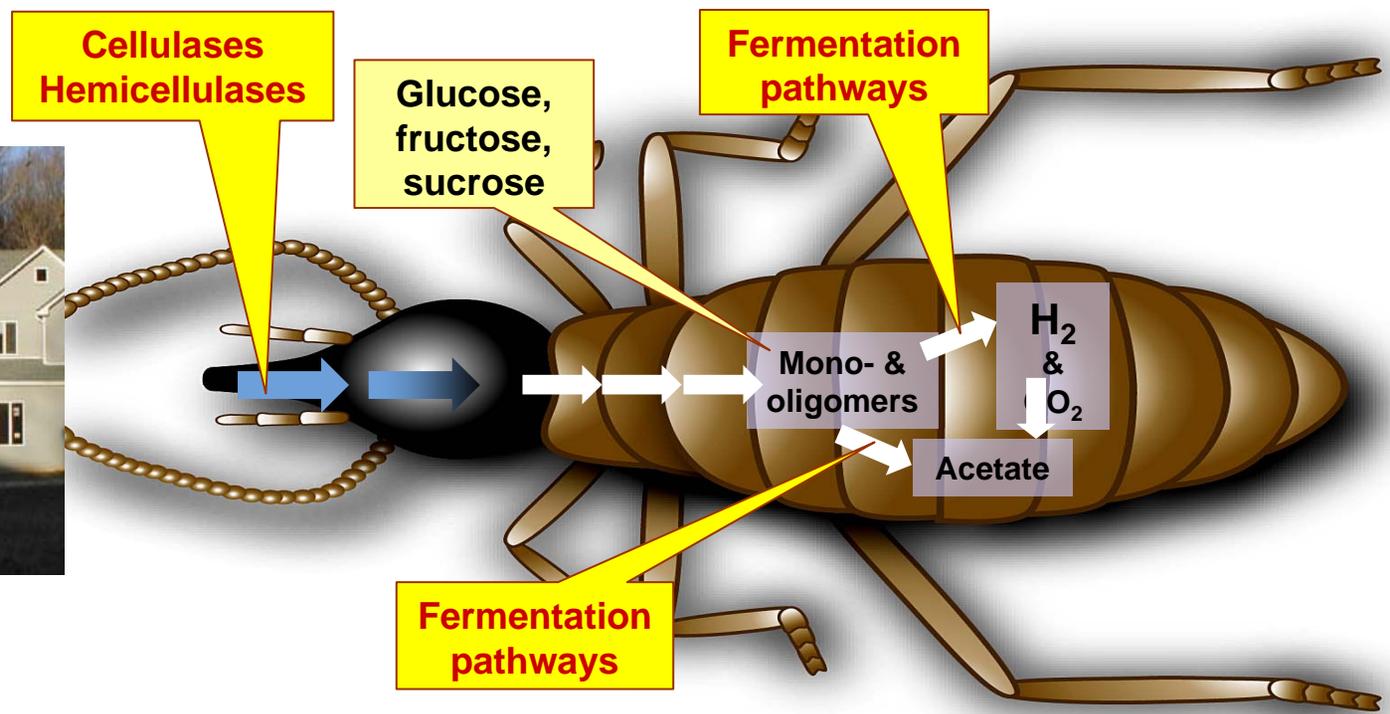
20-30 fold reduction in cost contribution of enzymes



CBH1 from *T. reesei*



Termites have many specialized enzymes for efficiently digesting lignocellulosic material



Poplar tree

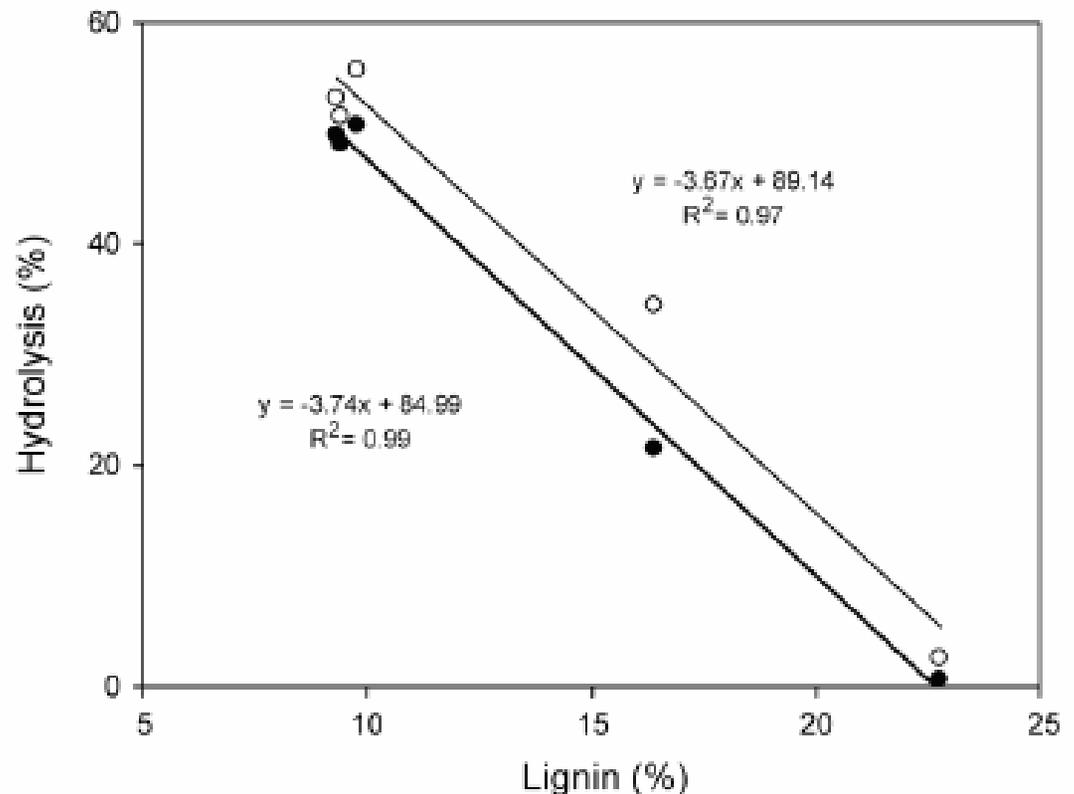
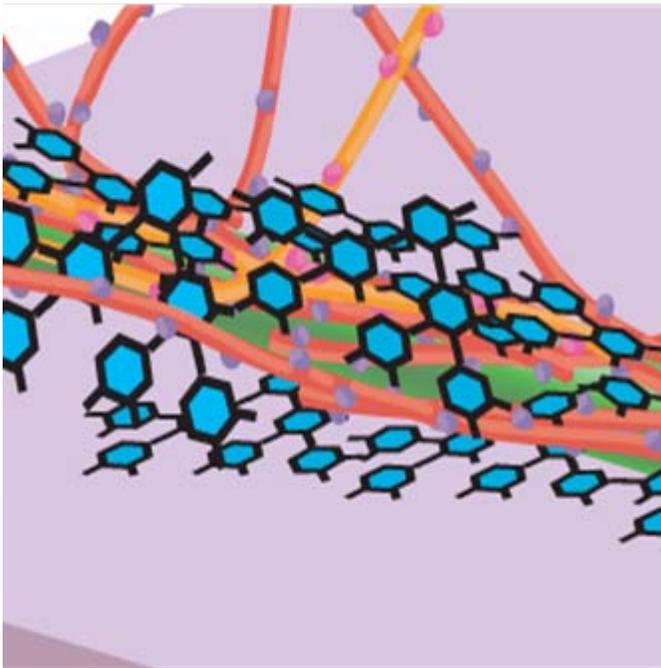


- ~ 45,000 genes
- Improve drought resistance and long term carbon sequestration
- Improve bio-mass production.



The effect of lignin on enzyme recovery of sugars in miscanthus

Cellulose	40-60% Percent Dry Weight
Hemicellulose	20-40%
Lignin	10-25%

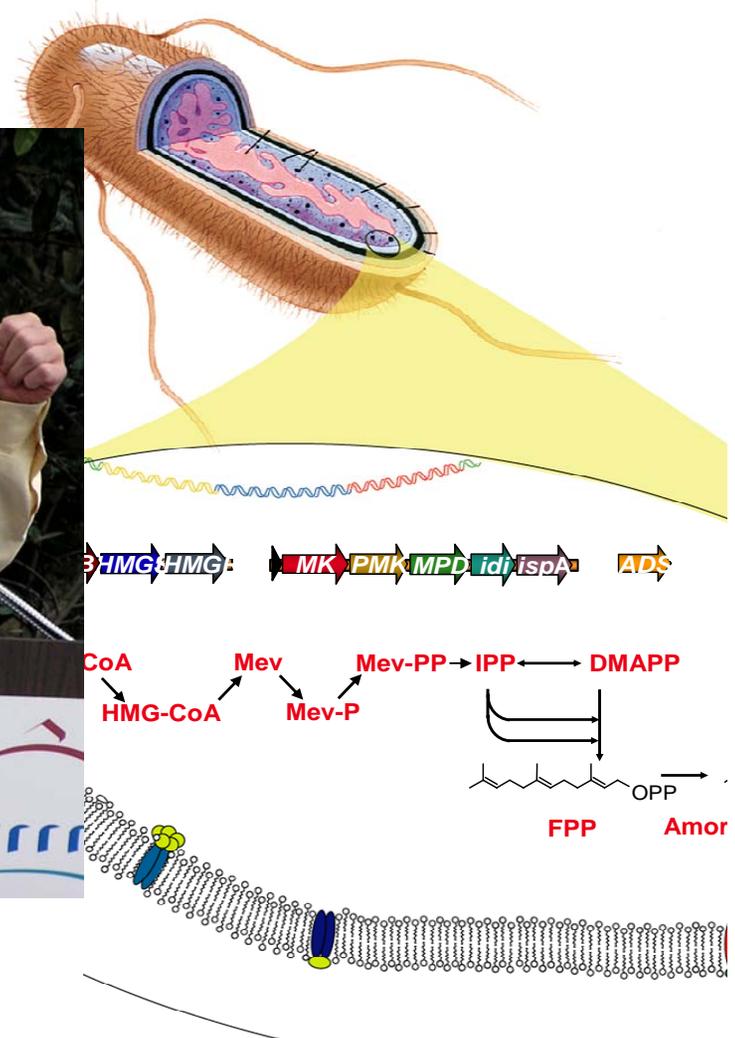


Production of artemisinin in bacteria

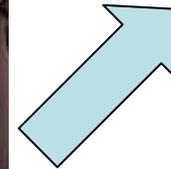
Jay Keasling



Director of Physical
Biosciences Division



Research, Development & Delivery

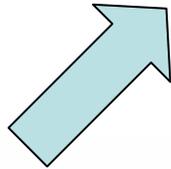
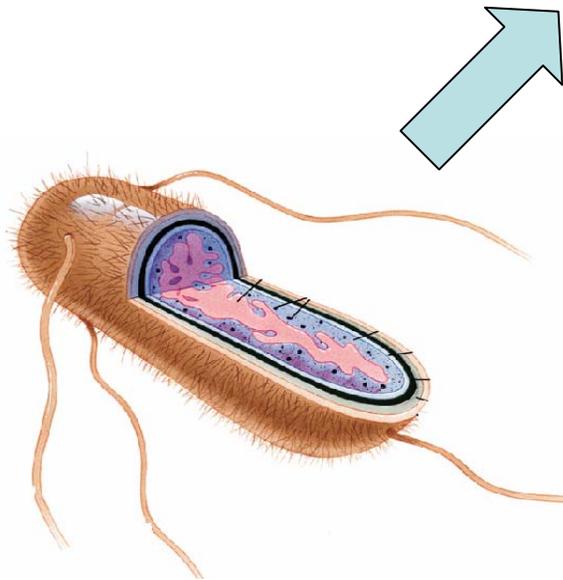


**Institute for
OneWorld
Health**

**Cost
20¢ /cure**



**Amyris
Biotechnologies**



**Keasling
Laboratory**

The Helios Project

Helios Fund raising:

\$500 M / 10 yr

\$70 M

\$30-60 M

\$15 M

\$1+1+2M

\$ 3 M

BP

State of California

UC General Revenue Bond Authority

Private Donations already pledged

Private Donations 2007 scientific program

Renewable Energy Chair

\$125 M/ 5 yr?

\$ ~5-15 M/yr ?

\$XX M?

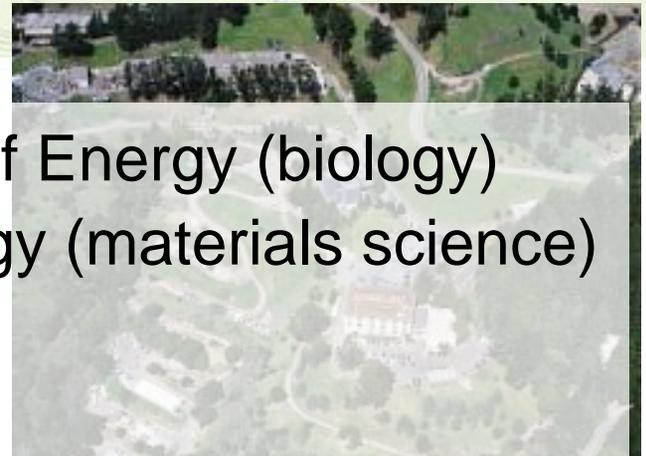
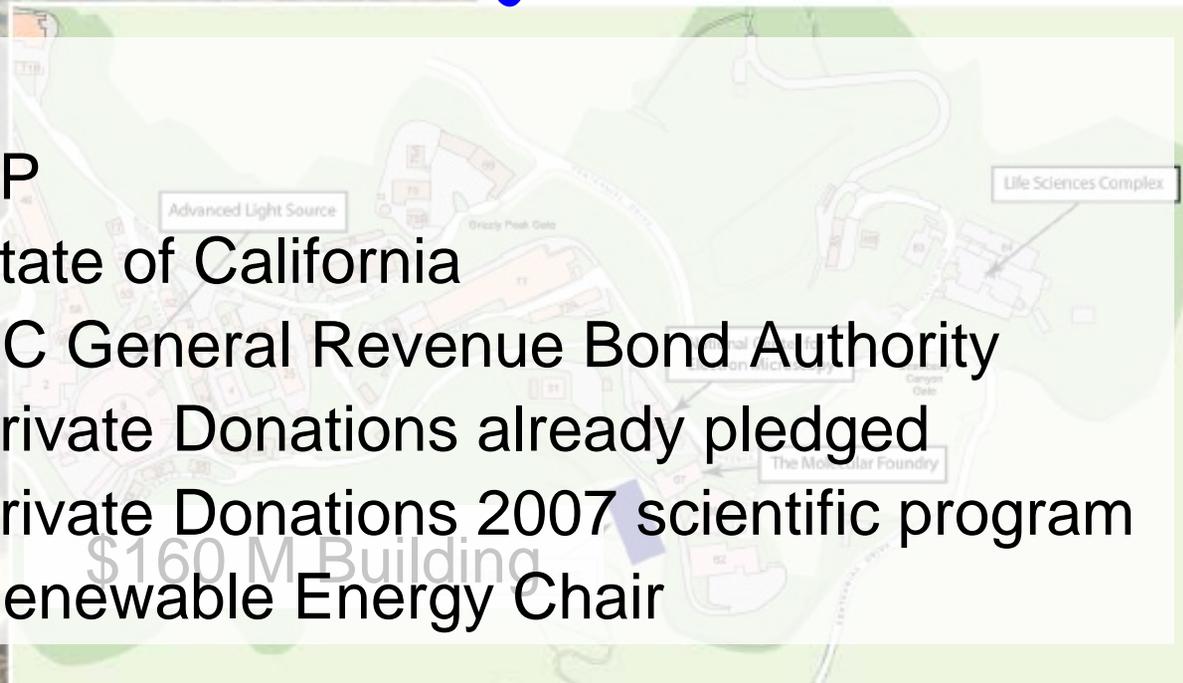
\$XXX M?

Department of Energy (biology)

Department of Energy (materials science)

Private Foundations

Other





Los Alamos 1942 -1945



Bell Laboratories (Murray Hill, NJ)



15 scientists who worked at AT&T Bell laboratories
received Nobel Prizes.

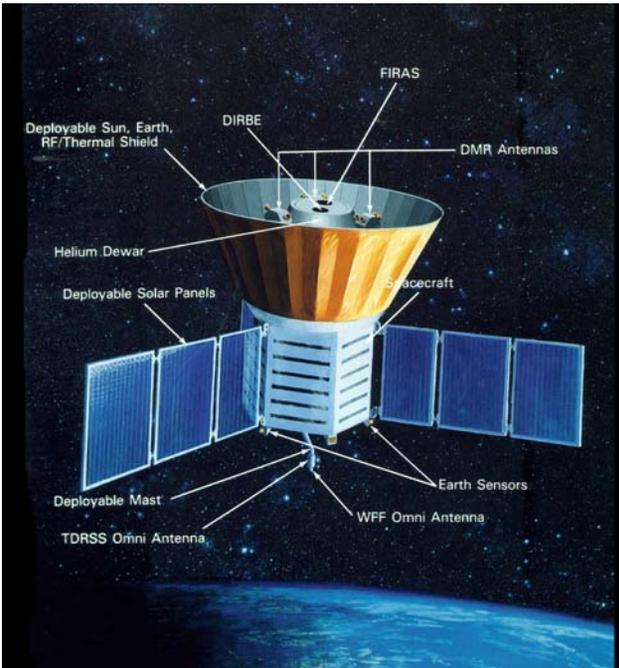


E.O. Lawrence introduced the idea of "team science"



Ernest Lawrence, Robert Serber, Luis Alvarez, Edwin McMillian, Robert Oppenheimer, Robert R. Wilson, ...

The tradition of E.O. Lawrence continues ...

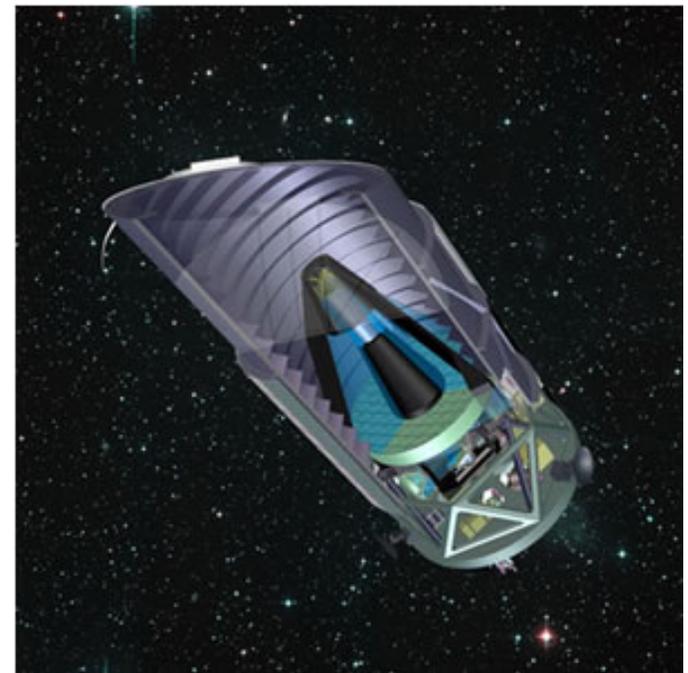


COBE: Cosmic Background Explorer

2006 Nobel Prize in Physics
George Smoot (LBNL & UCB) and
John Mather (Goddard)

Dark Energy

Saul Perlmutter (LBNL and UCB)
(2006 Run Run Shaw Prize,
Fretinelli Prize)



Organizational culture

- Individual genius was nurtured, but individuals were also encouraged to quickly form teams to rapidly exploit ideas.
- The scientific direction was guided by collective wisdom and “managed” by top scientists with intimate, expert knowledge.
- Bold approaches were encouraged; some failure was expected, but there was an emphasis on recognizing failure quickly, and moving on to other opportunities.

National Academies Report Chair: Norm Augustine

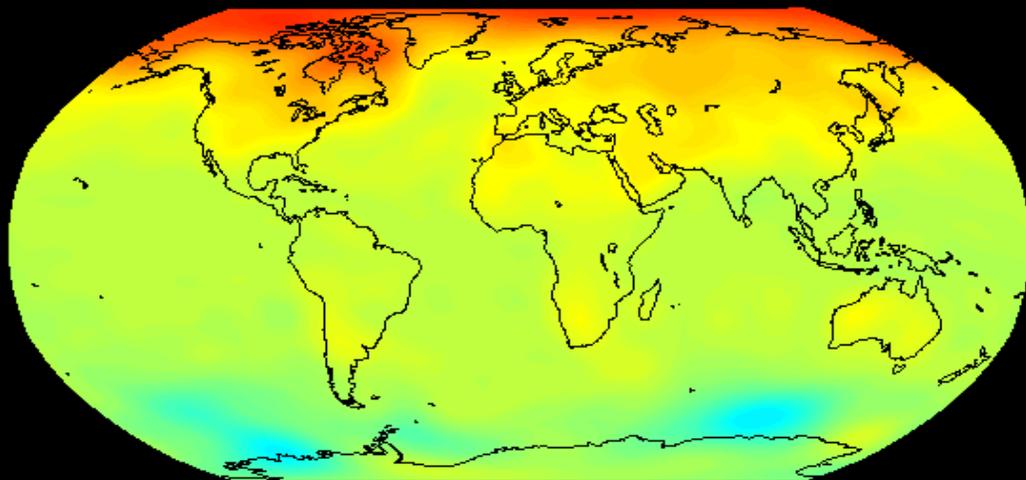
RISING ABOVE THE GATHERING STORM

*Energizing and
Employing America
for a Brighter
Economic Future*

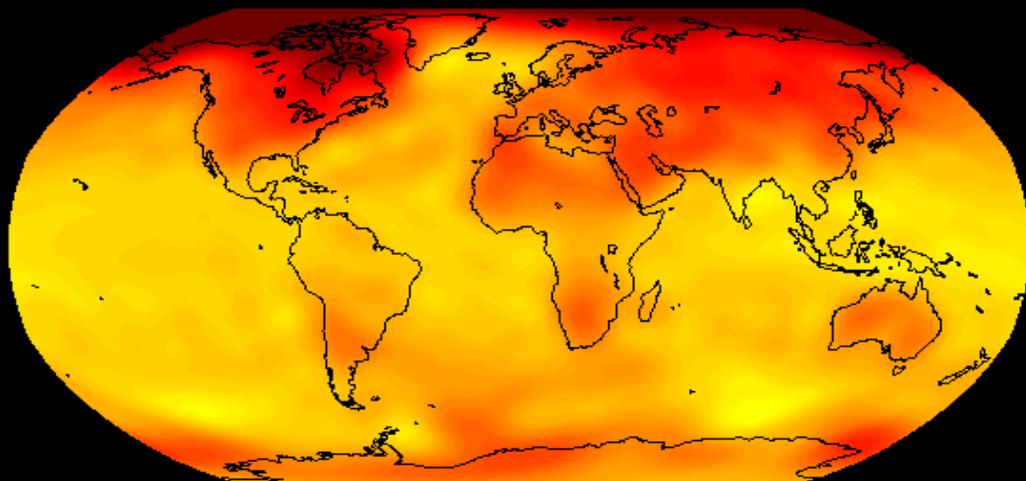


Surface Air Warming (°F)

2xCO₂



4xCO₂



Computer simulations by
the Princeton
Geophysical Fluid
Dynamics Lab:

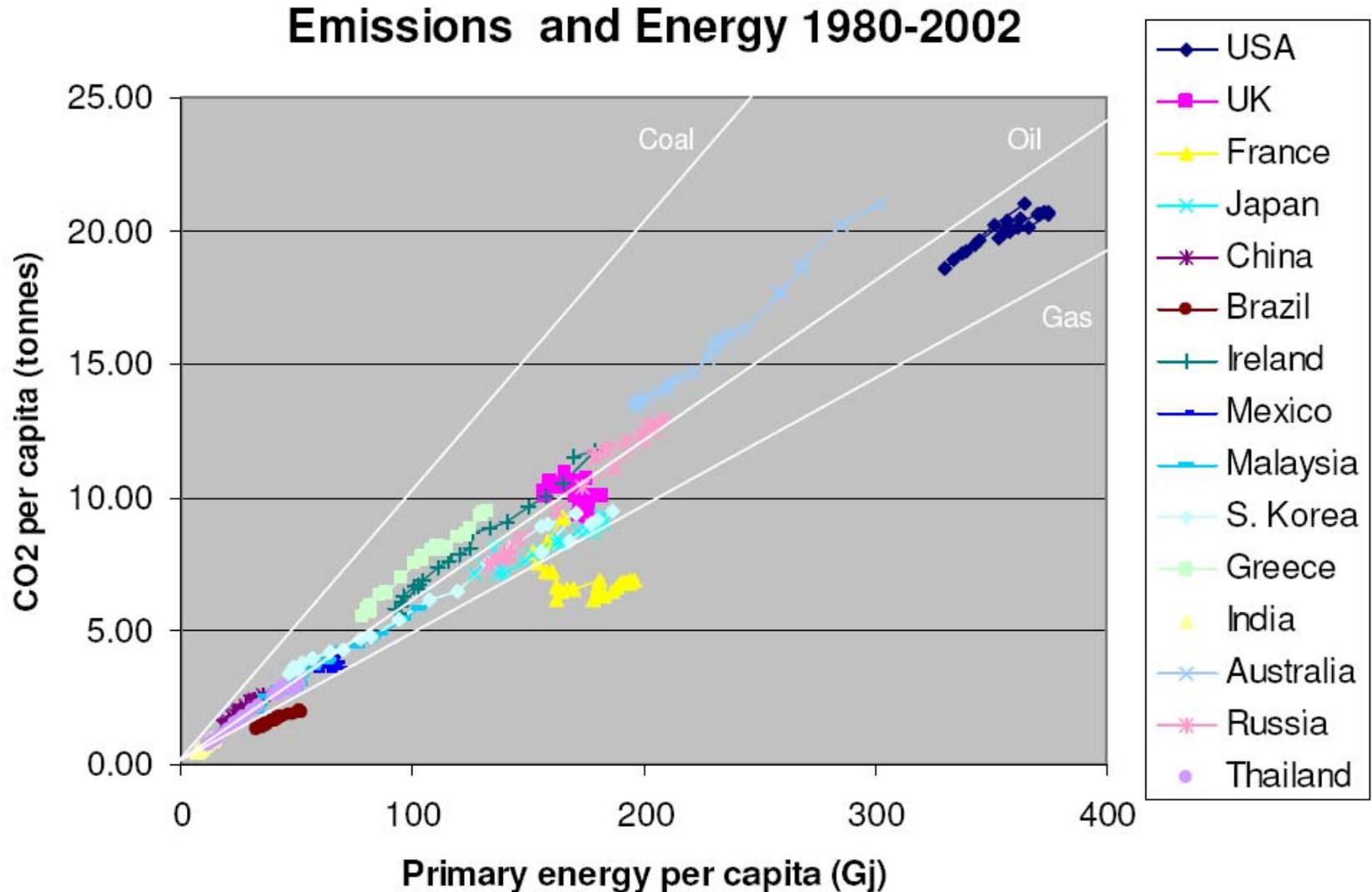
2x increase in CO₂ from
the pre-industrial level

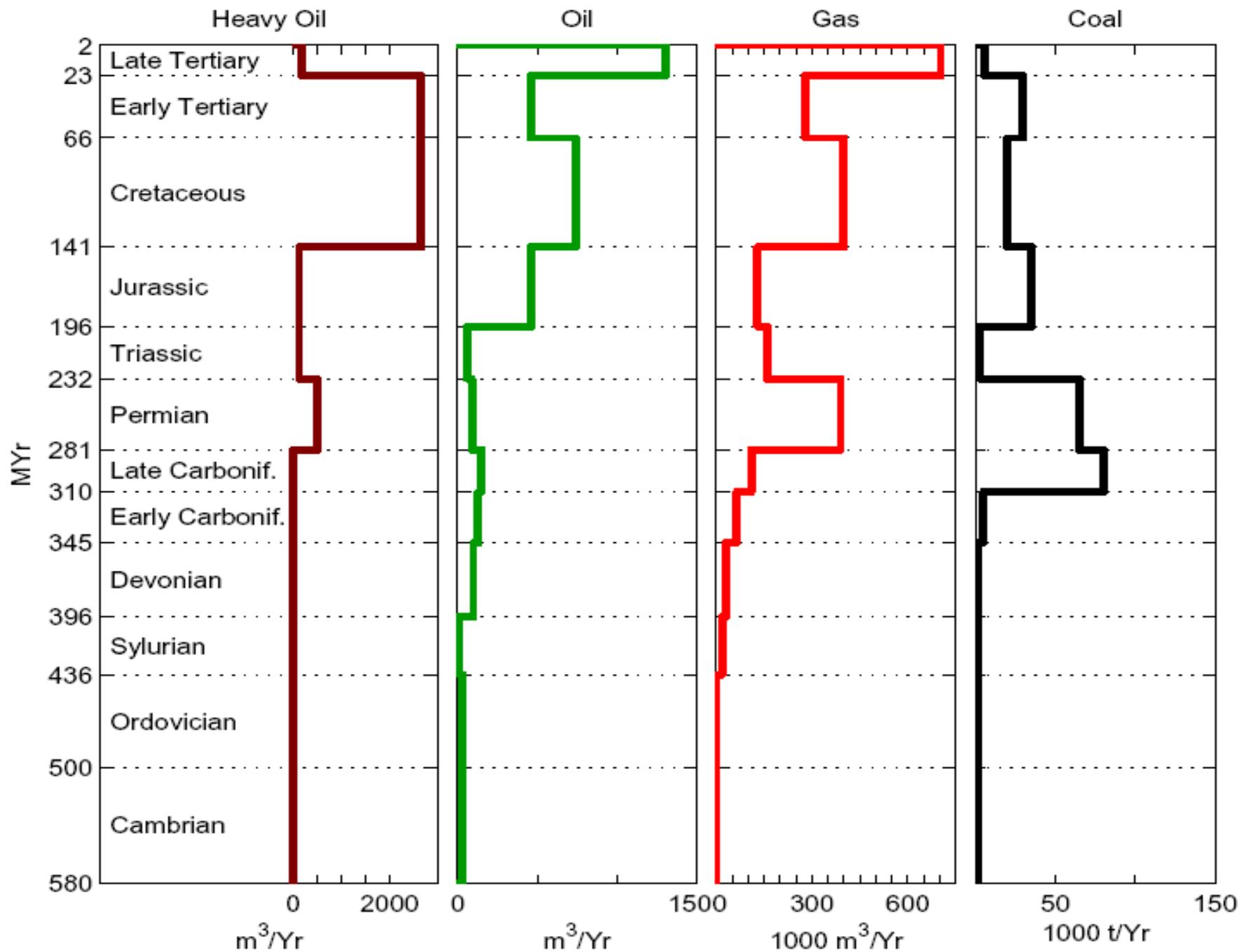
⇒ 5 -12 °F increase

4x increase in CO₂

⇒ 15-23°F!

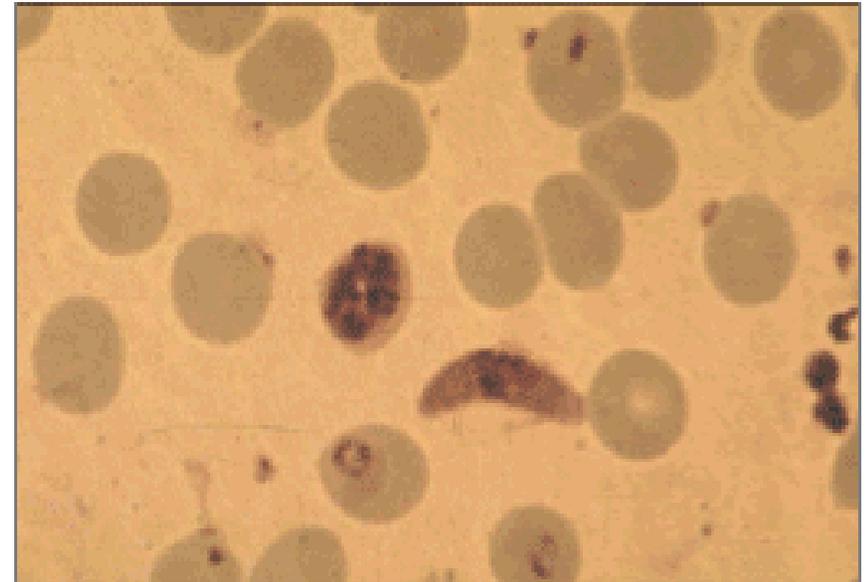
CO₂ emissions depends on the energy source



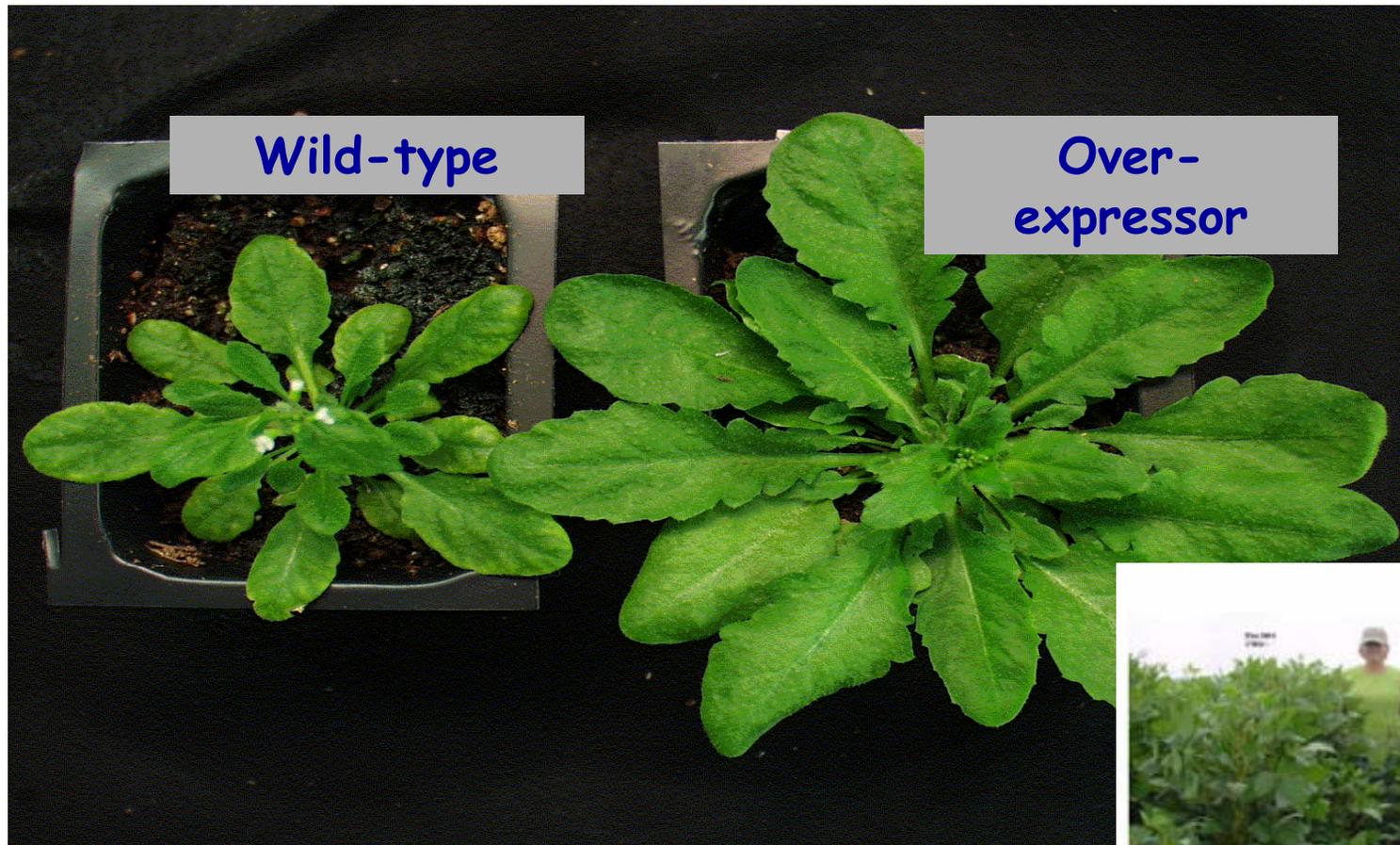


Malaria

- Caused by *Plasmodium*, a single-cell protozoan
 - Transmitted by Anopheles mosquito
 - Destroys red blood cells
 - *Plasmodium* in South America and Southeast Asia is largely resistant to chloroquine – based drugs



Enhanced plant size caused by increased expression of a transcription factor



Courtesy of Mendel Biotechnology
And Monsanto Co



Brazil Sugarcane

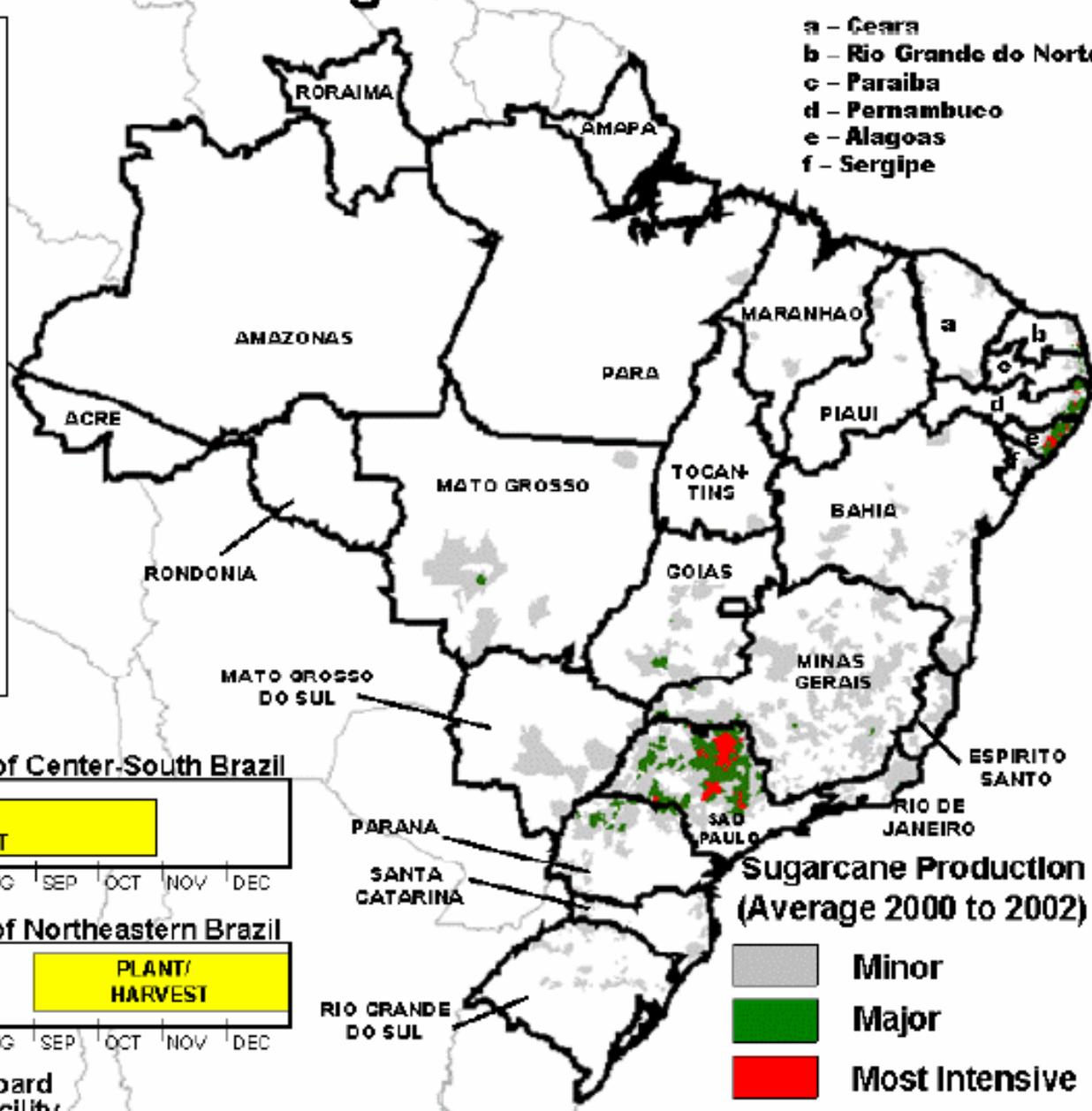
* State-Level Production (as % of total)

Sao Paulo	58
Alagoas	8
Parana	8
Minas Gerais	5
Pernambuco	5
Mato Grosso	3
Goiás	3
Mato Grosso do Sul	2
Rio De Janeiro	2
Other States	6

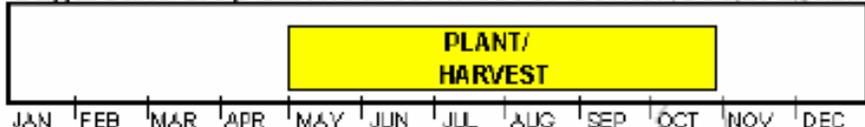
*1999/2000 to 2001/02 Average

Source: IBGE Brazil

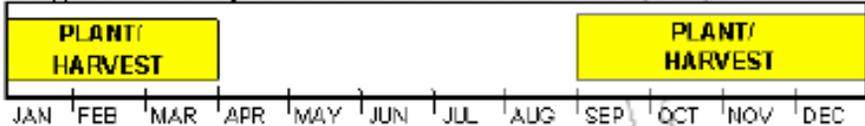
- a - Ceara
- b - Rio Grande do Norte
- c - Paraiba
- d - Pernambuco
- e - Alagoas
- f - Sergipe



Sugarcane crop calendar for most of Center-South Brazil



Sugarcane crop calendar for most of Northeastern Brazil



Sugarcane Production (Average 2000 to 2002)

- Minor
- Major
- Most Intensive

Source: IBGE Brazil

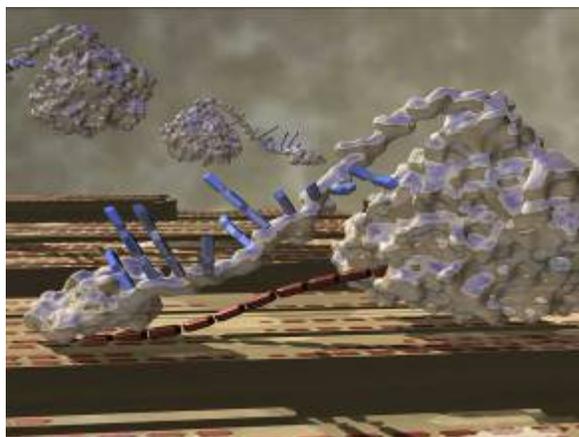
Advantages of perennial plants:

- No tillage after first planting
- Long-lived roots establish beneficial interactions with root symbionts that facilitate acquisition of mineral nutrients.
- Some perennials withdraw a substantial fraction of mineral nutrients from above-ground portions of the plant at the end of the season but before harvest.
- Perennials have lower fertilizer runoff than annuals. (Switchgrass has $\sim 1/8$ nitrogen runoff and $1/100$ the soil erosion of corn.)
- Diversity by growing several intermixed species of perennials is more feasible.

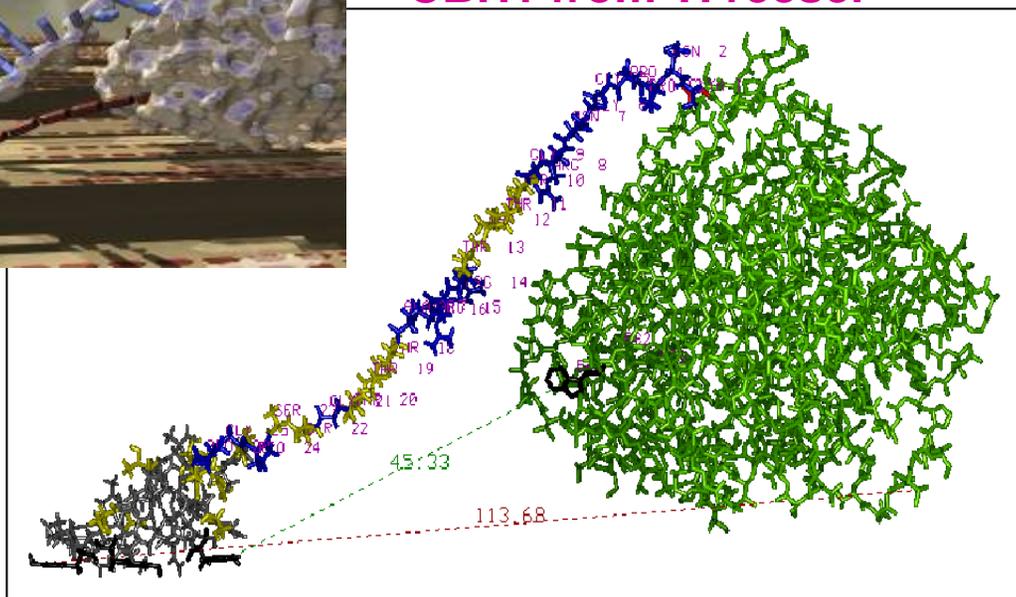
NREL has worked with Genencor & Novozymes for 4+ years

- Focusing on enzyme biochemistry, cost, and specific activity
- Investigating the interaction of biomass pre-treatment and enzymatic hydrolysis

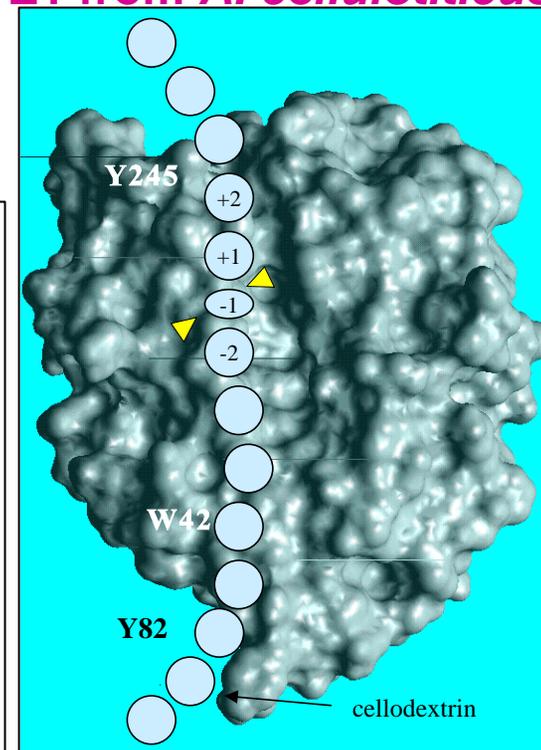
The RESULT: 20-30 fold reduction in cost contribution of enzymes (\$/gal EtOH)

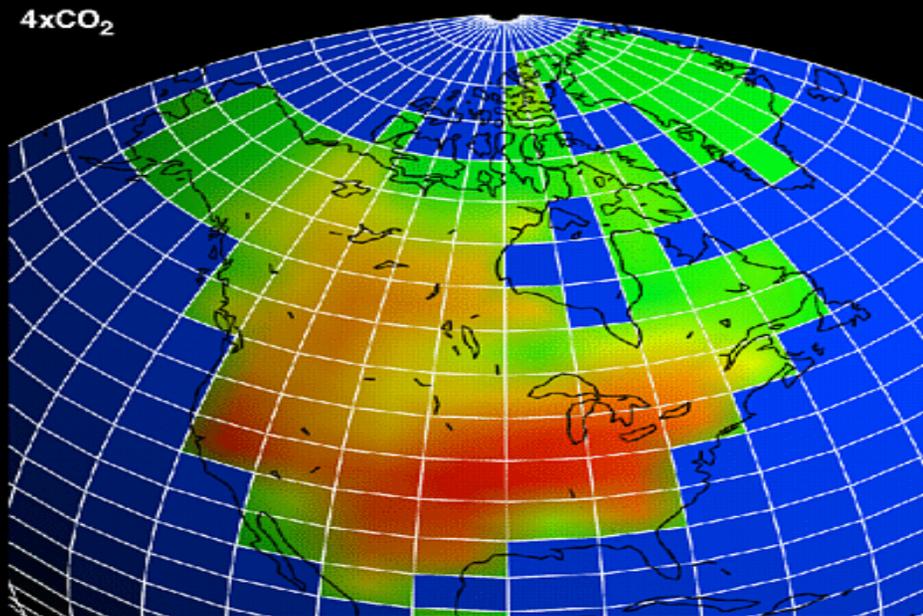
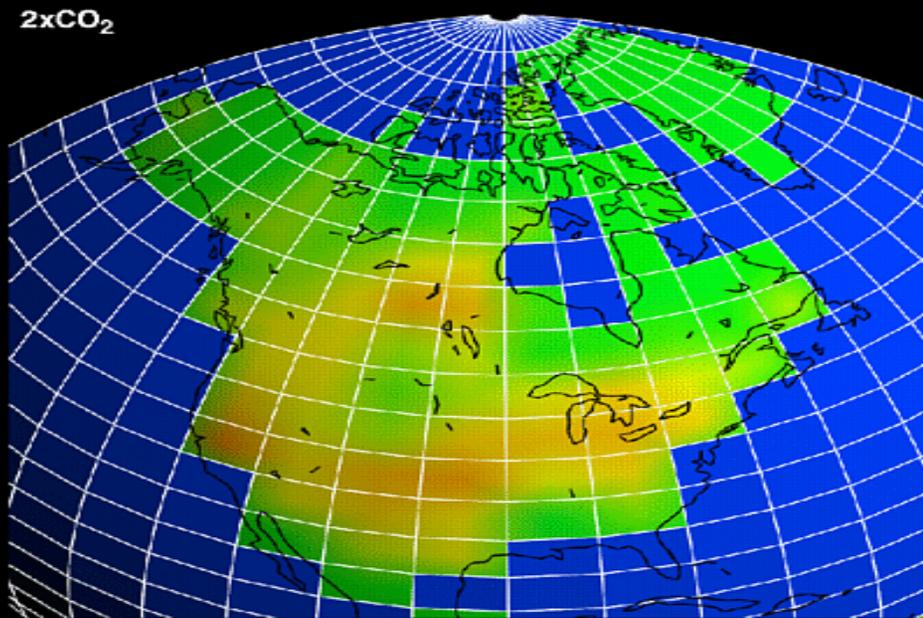


CBH1 from *T. reesei*



E1 from *A. cellulotiticus*

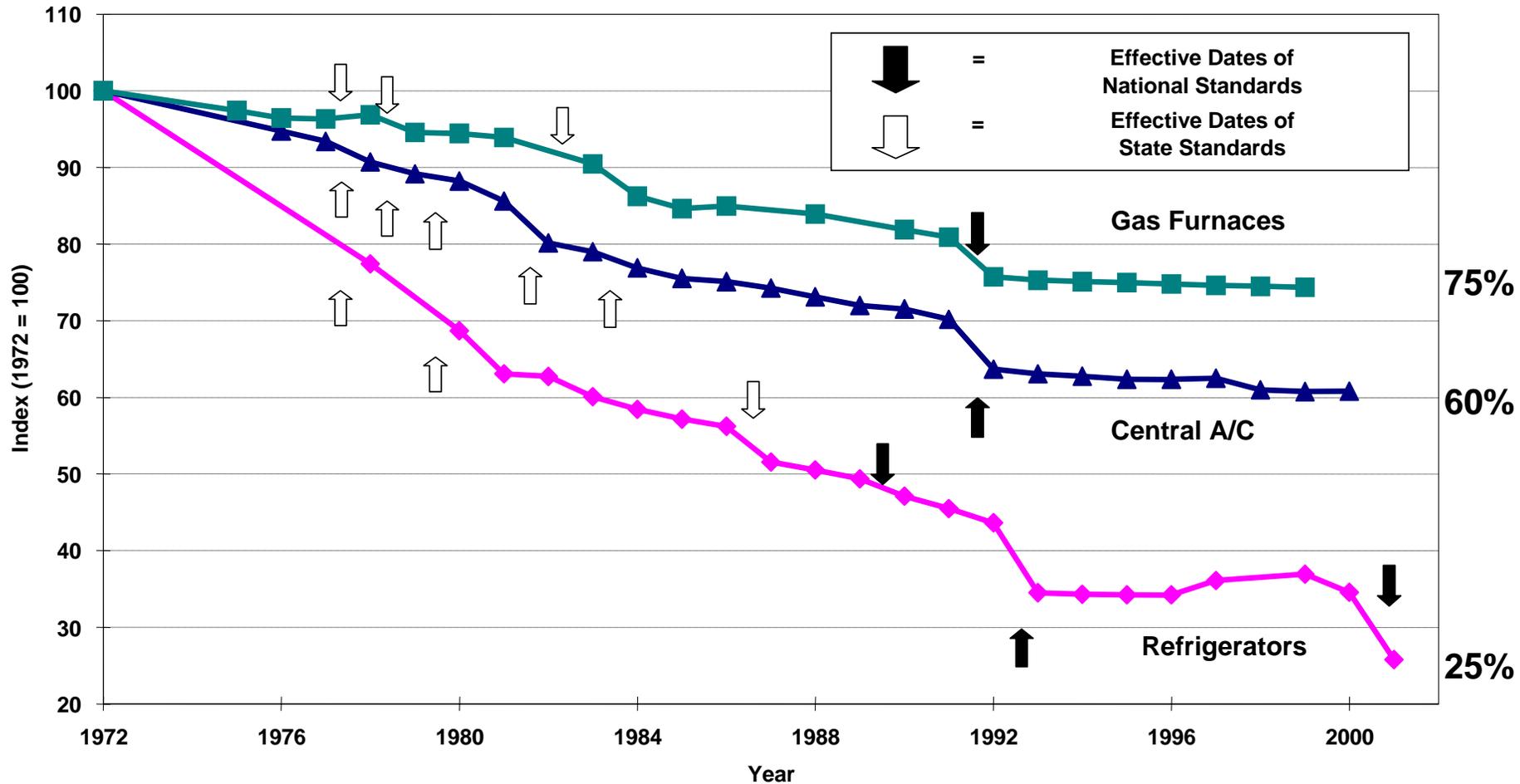




Summer soil moisture in N America under doubled & quadrupled CO₂ (from the Princeton GFDL model)

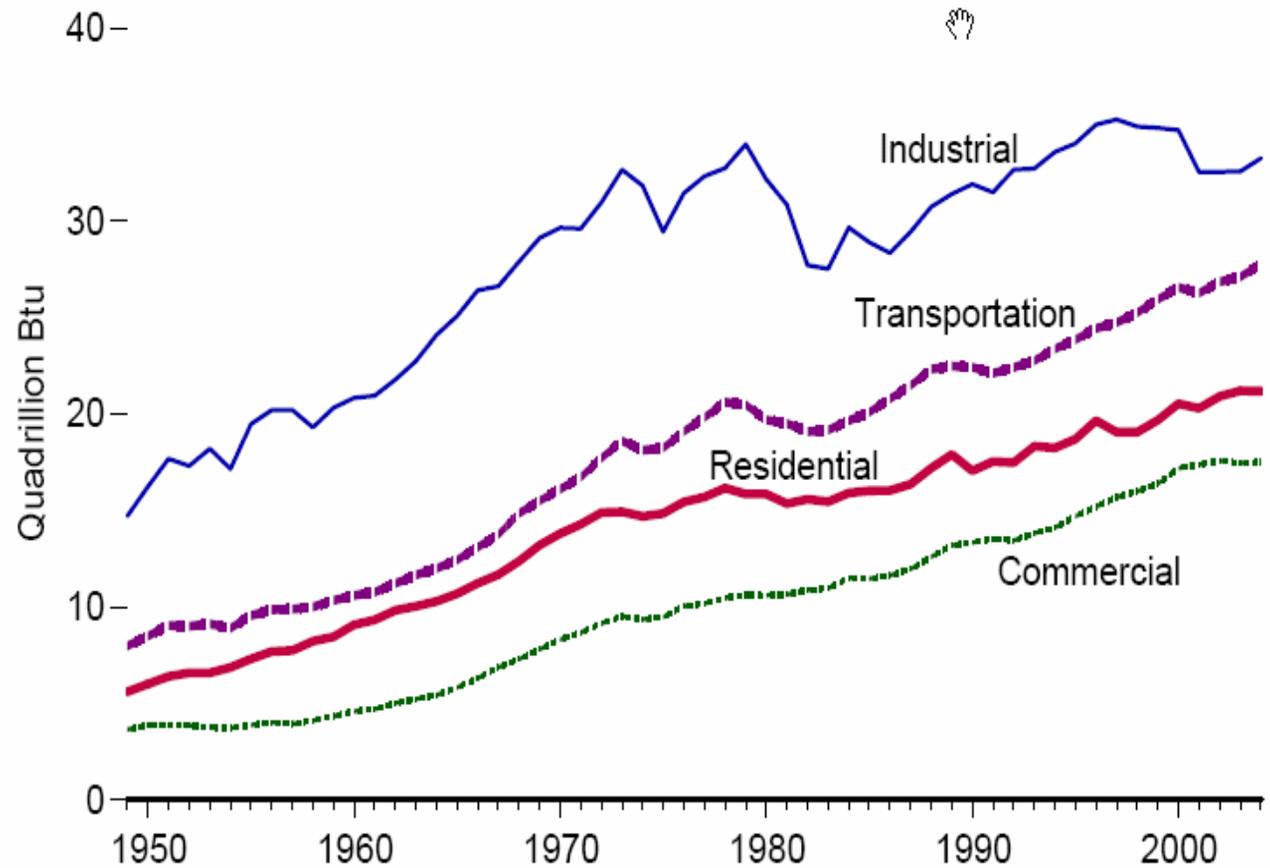
Mid-continent soil-moisture reductions reach 50-60% in the 4xCO₂ world.

Impact of Standards on Efficiency of 3 Appliances



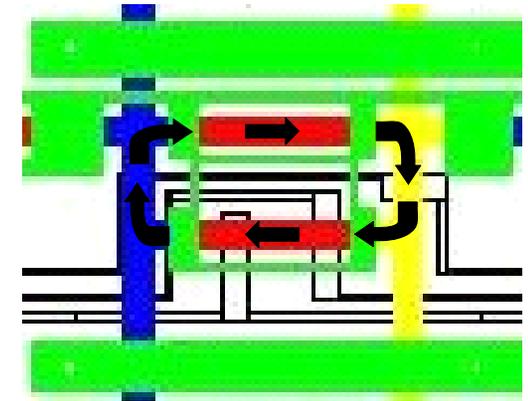
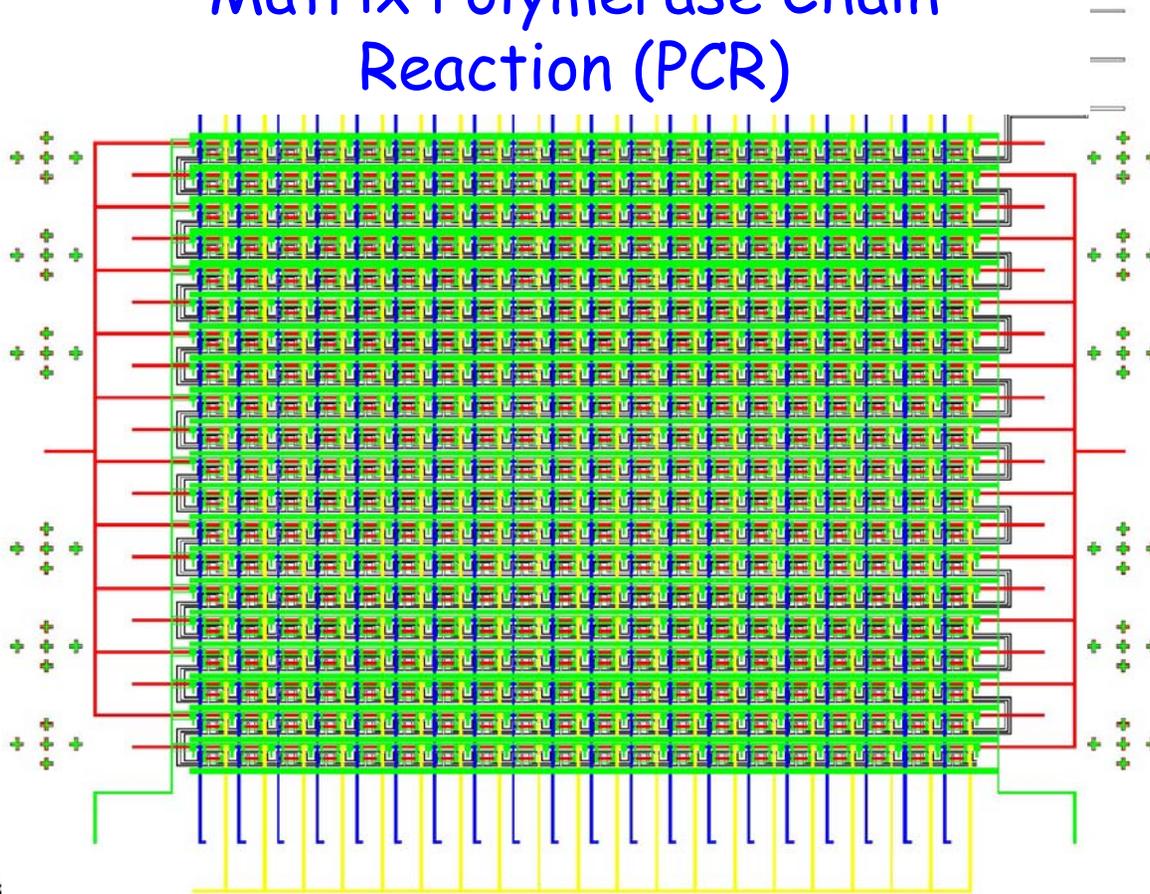
Source: S. Nadel, ACEEE, in ECEEE 2003 Summer Study, www.eceee.org

Total end-use energy consumption 1949 – 2004



Micro-fluidic technology can be used to optimize organisms with "directed evolution"

Matrix Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

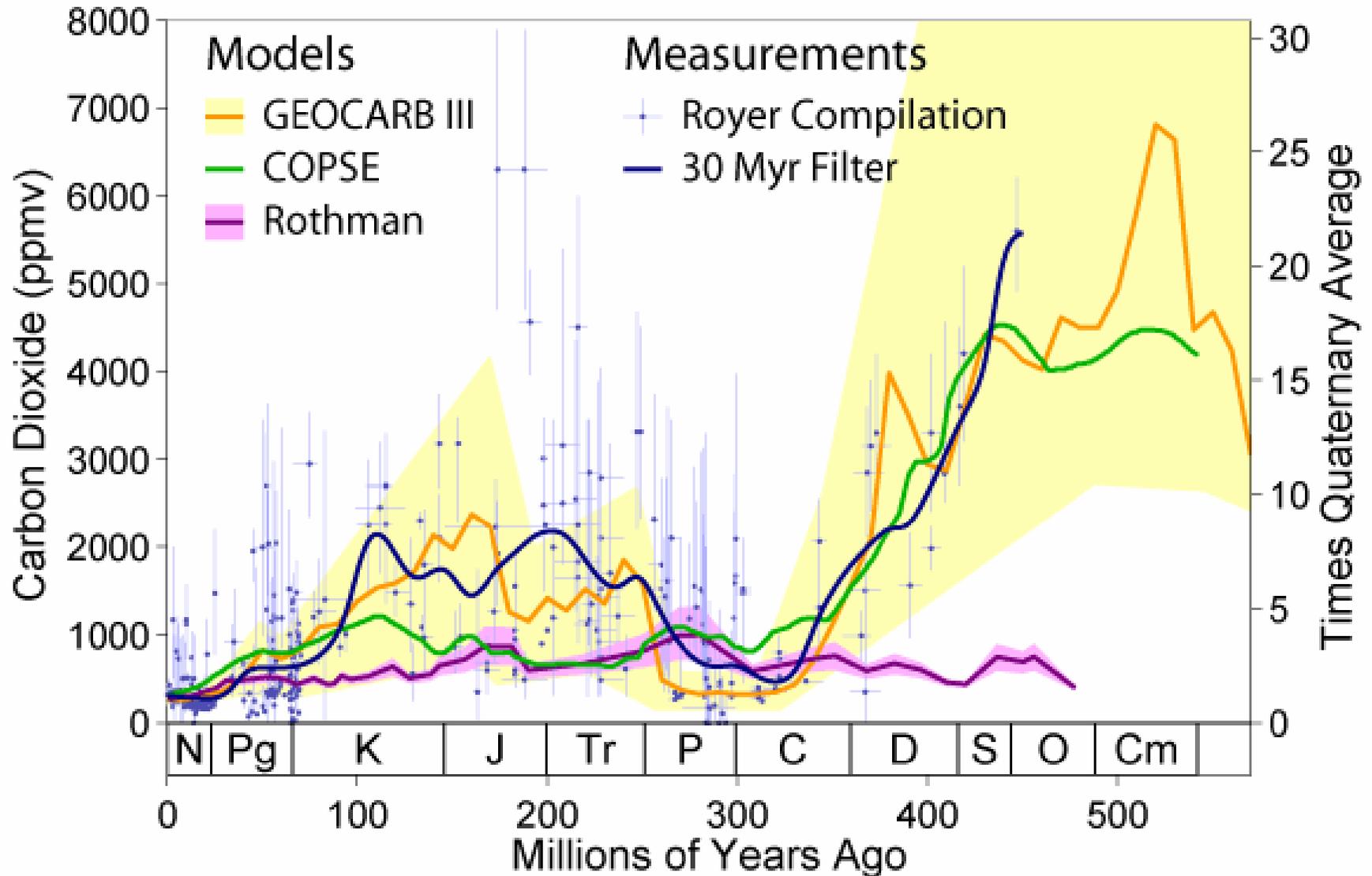


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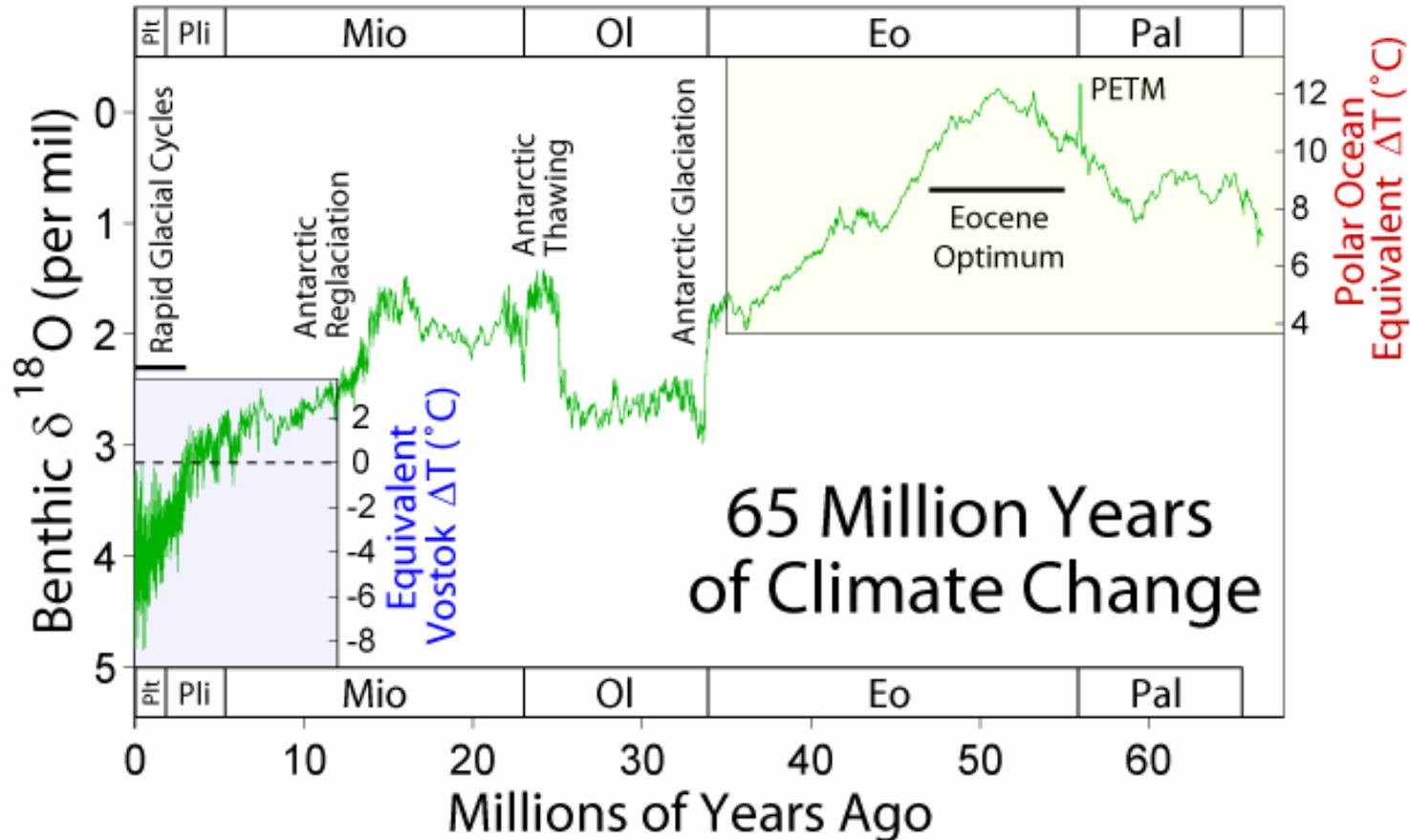
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Phanerozoic Carbon Dioxide



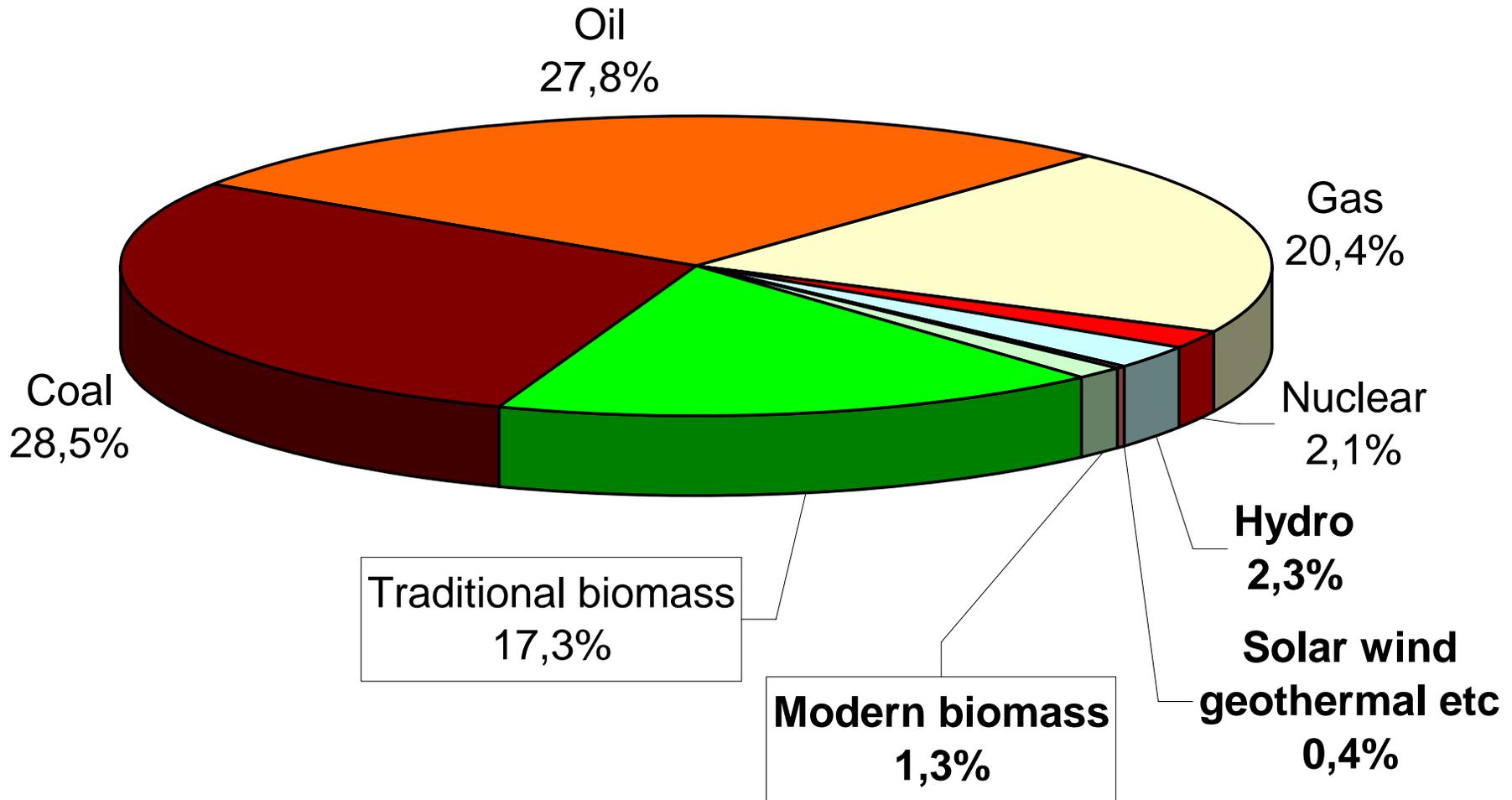
Paleocene-Eocene Thermal Maximum (PETM)



Climate change during the last 65 million years. The PETM and is likely to be understated by a factor of 2 or more due to coarse sampling and averaging in this data set.

Undeveloped (non-OECD) use of Energy (2003)

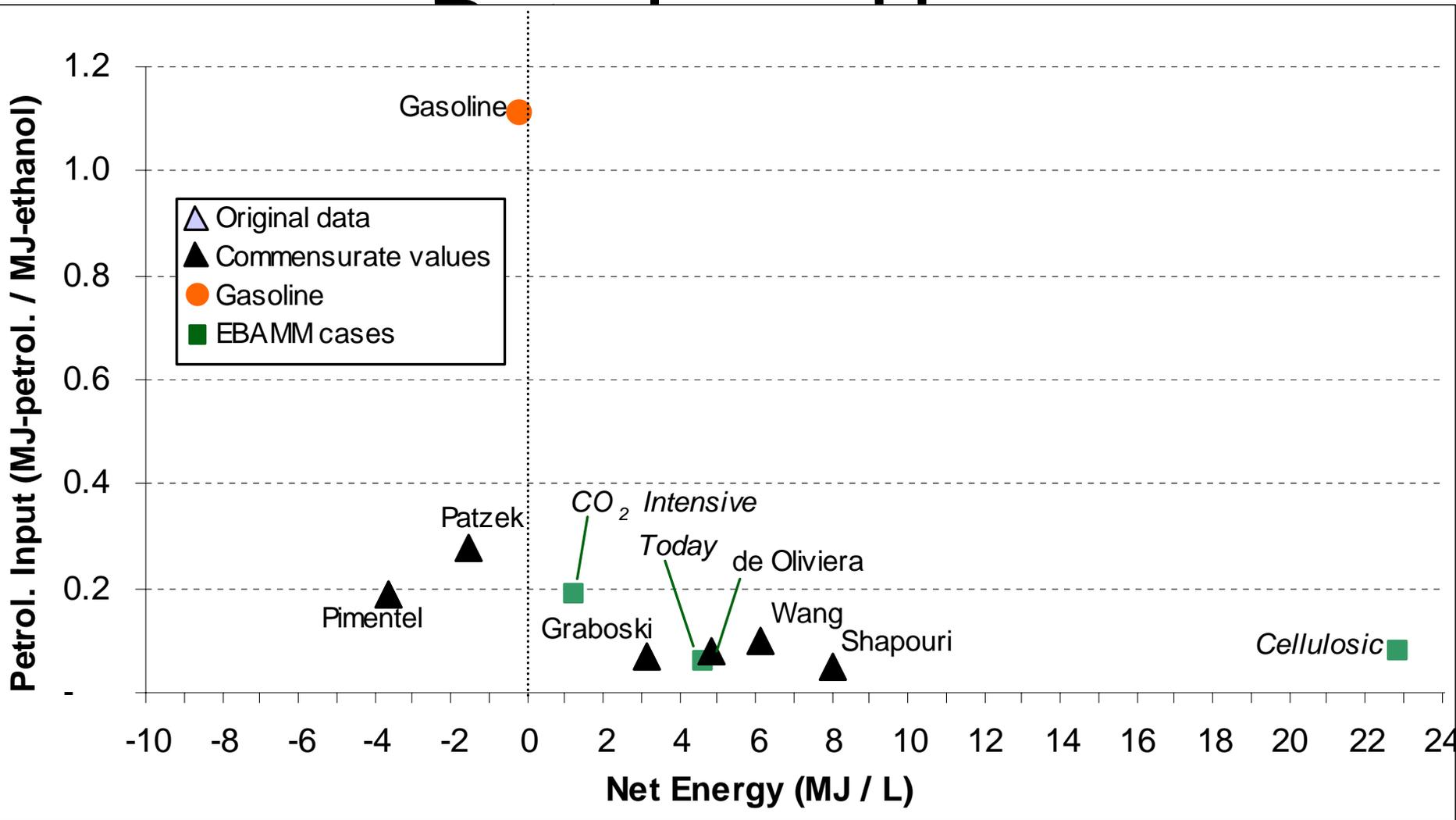
IEA, 2005



Total Surface Area by Land Cover/Use and Year in Millions of Acres, with Margins of Error

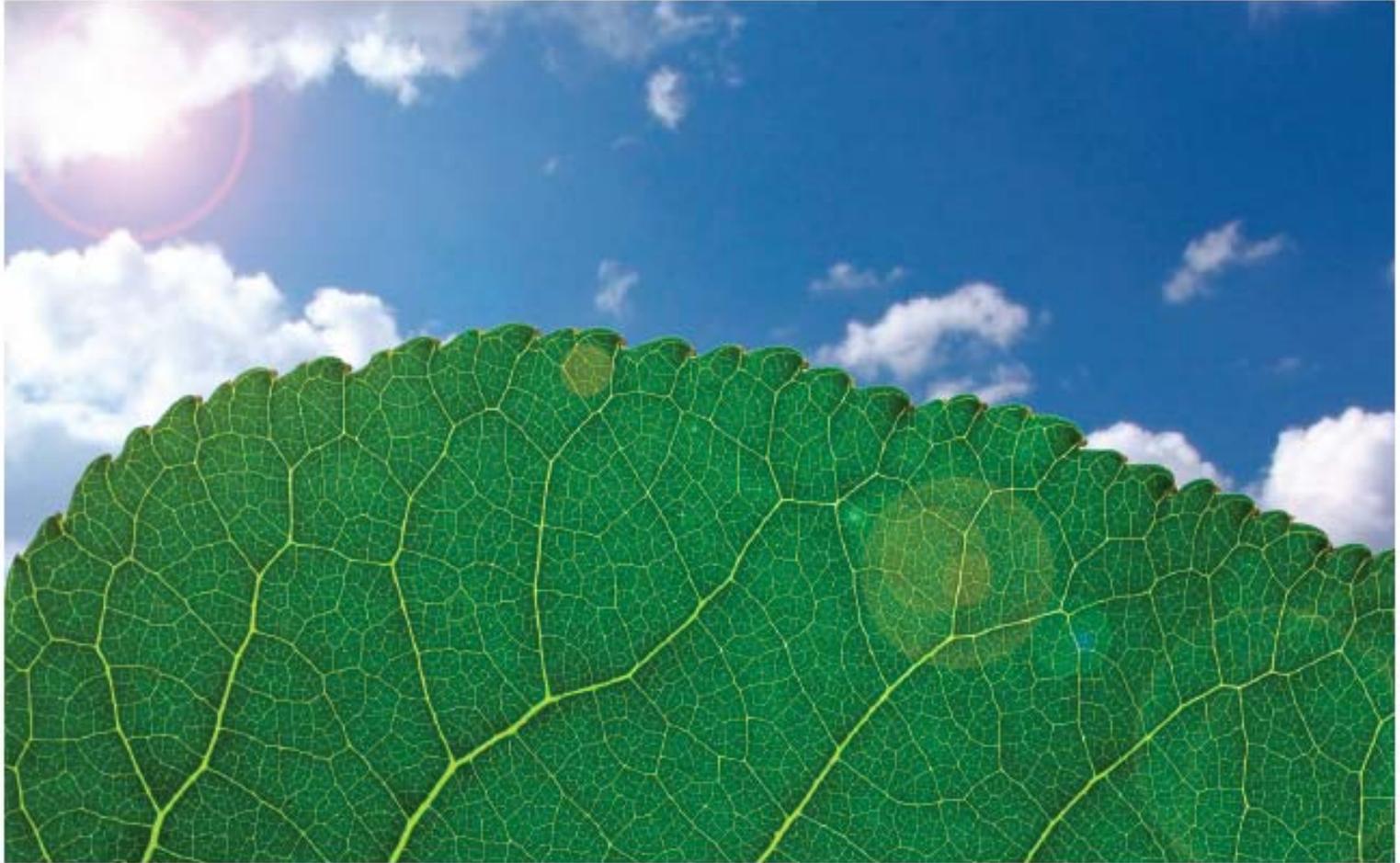
Year	Cropland*	CRP Land*	Pastureland	Rangeland
1982	419.9 ± 2.1	0.0 ± 0.0	131.1 ± 1.4	415.5 ± 3.5
1992	381.3 ± 2.0	34.0 ± 0.2	125.2 ± 1.3	406.8 ± 3.3
1997	376.4 ± 2.0	32.7 ± 0.0	119.5 ± 1.2	404.9 ± 3.3
2001	369.5 ± 2.0	31.8 ± 0.3	119.2 ± 1.8	404.9 ± 3.4
2003	367.9 ± 2.4	31.5 ± 0.3	117.0 ± 1.8	405.1 ± 3.5

Source: US Dept of Agriculture



**Alex Farrell, Dan Kammen, et. al.,
 “Meta-analysis” of existing literature, Science 2006**

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Significant climate change could lead to:

- Increased damage from storms, floods, wildfires
- Property losses and population displacement from sea-level rise
- Productivity of farms, forests, & fisheries
- Increased species extinction
- Change in the geography of disease

Grinnell Glacier, Glacier National Park, Montana

(Recession has been 1.1 Km since the end of the little ice age circa 1850)



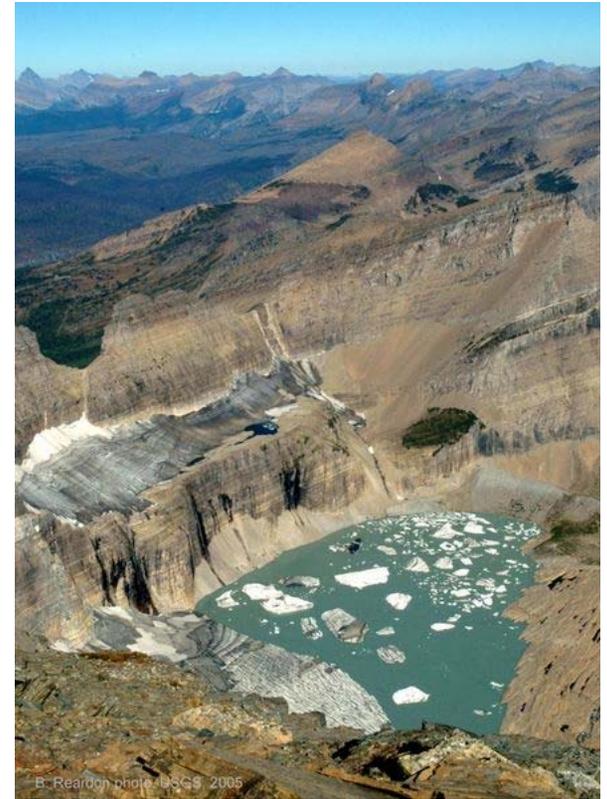
Hileman Photo, GNP Archives, 1938

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C. Kay photo, USGS, 1981

1981



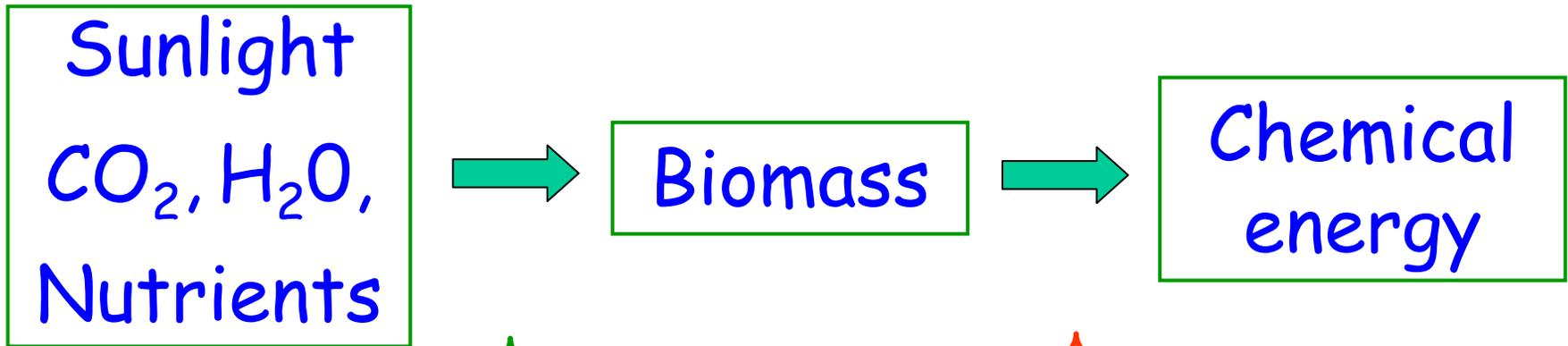
B. Reardon photo, USGS, 2005

2005

The Energy problem means different things to different people

- ~ 1.6 billion people do not have access to electricity.
- In rural areas, women and children can spend **1-2 hours a day** foraging for biomass for cooking and heating.
- Indoor air pollution from primitive cooking methods and kerosene lighting is estimated to kill ~1.5 million people a year.

Sunlight to energy via Bio-mass



More efficient use of
water, sunlight, nutrients.
Drought and pest resistant

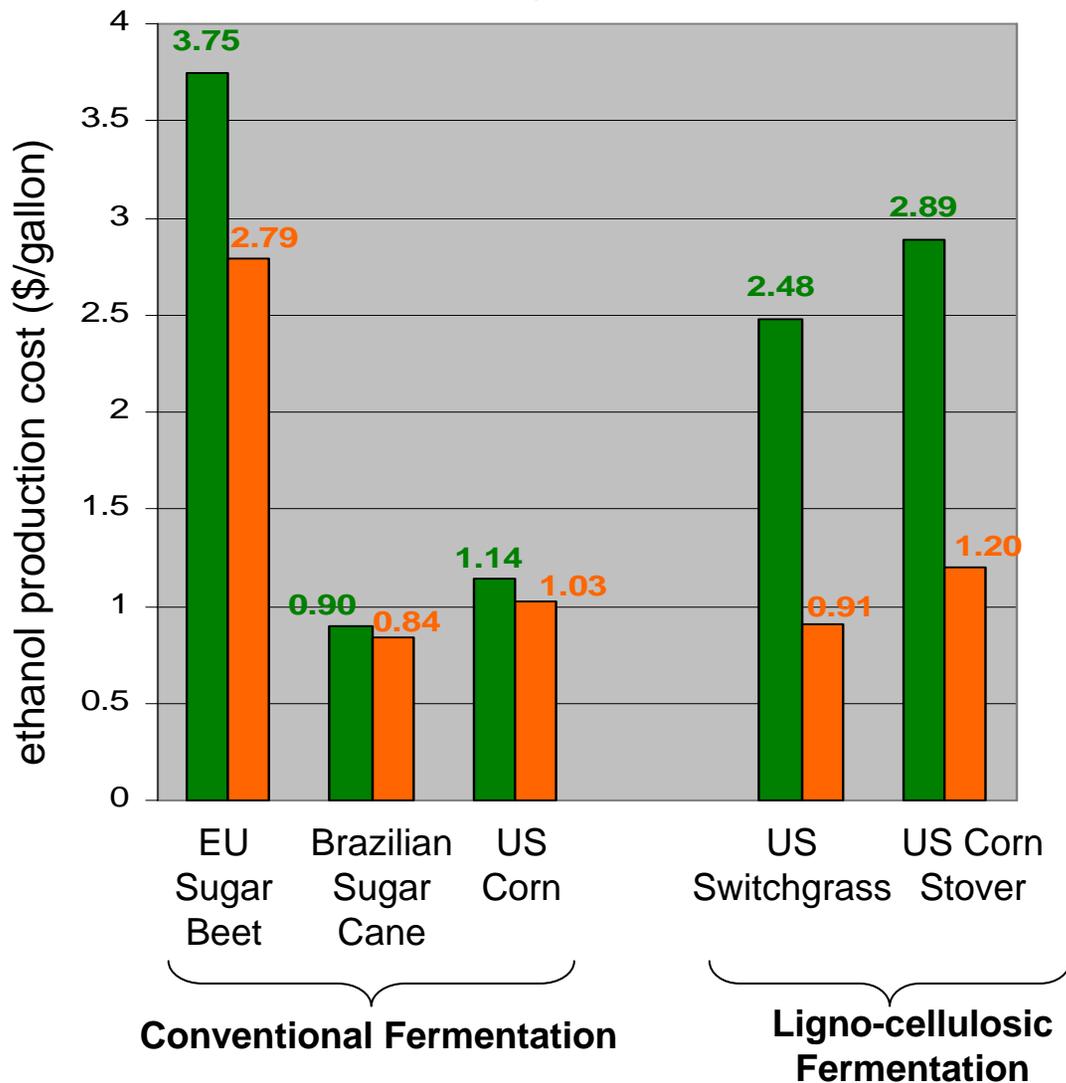
Improved conversion of
cellulose into fuel.
New organisms for
biomass conversion.

Plant growth fixes CO₂
Burning the fuel generates CO₂

current and projected production costs of bio-gasoline components



Courtesy Steve Koonin, BP Chief Scientist



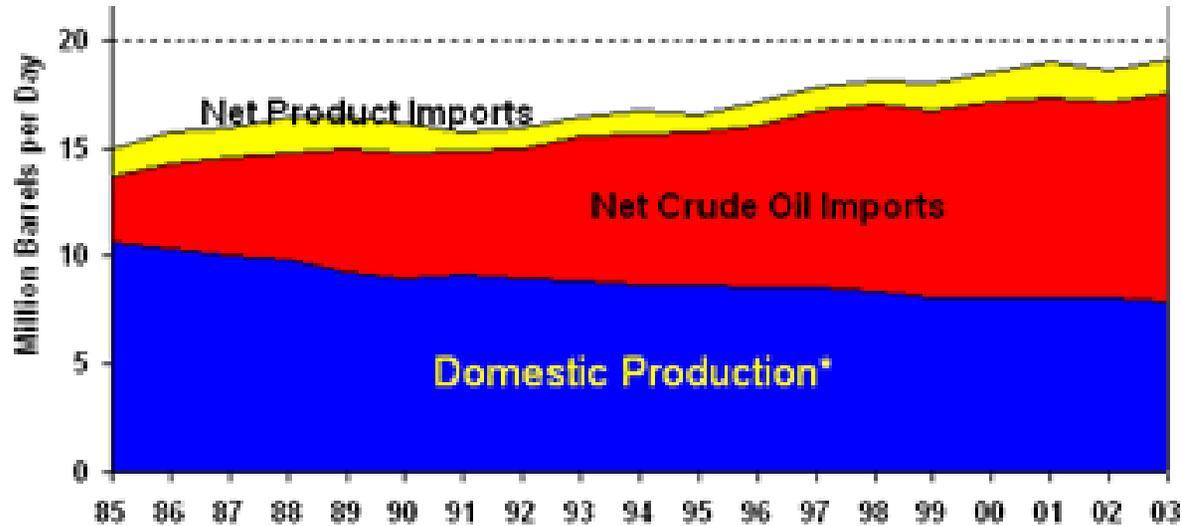
- Ligno-cellulosic biomass is the key to materiality and sustainability of biofuels in long term
- Currently uneconomic – 1/2 pilot plants operating
- Technology advances will dramatically reduce costs

Key:

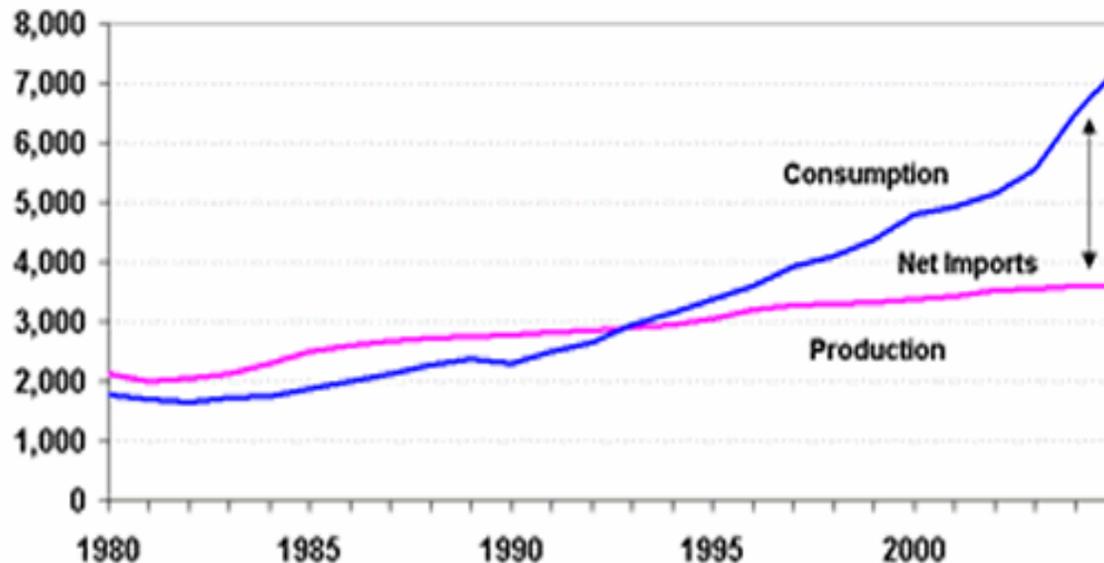
- Base case
- 10 year plausible technology stretch

U.S. Oil Production and Imports

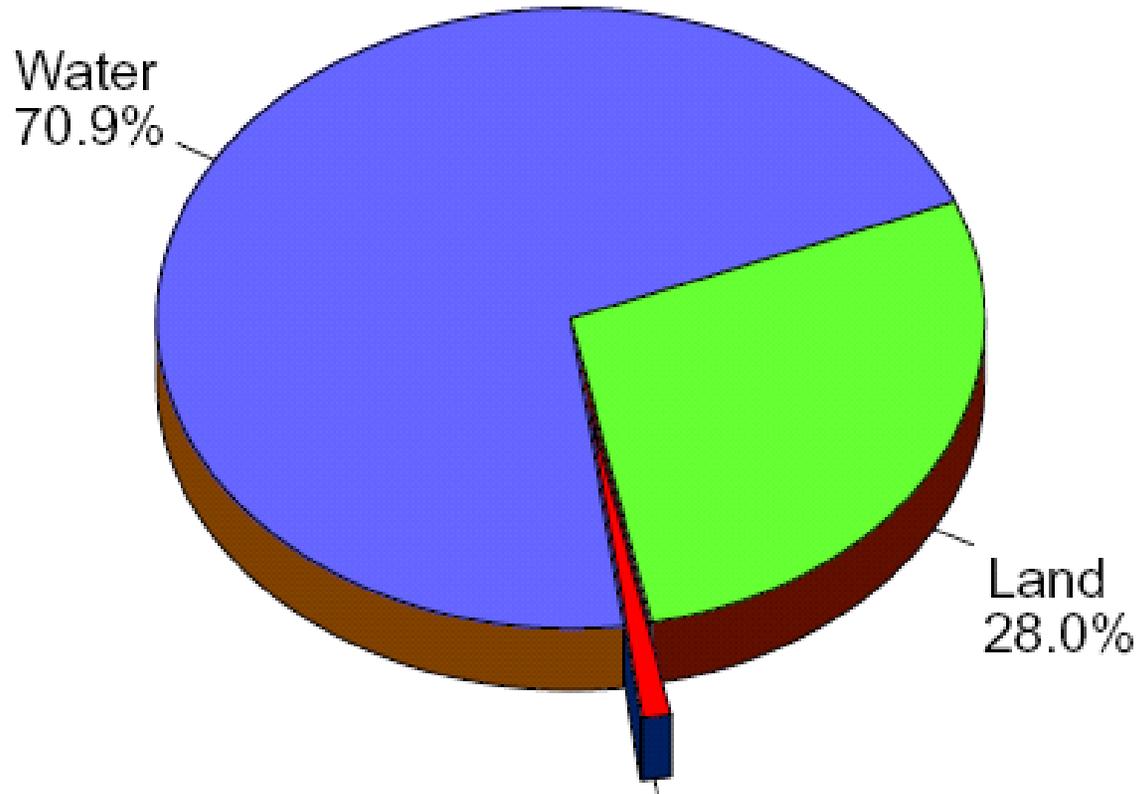
US became a net importer of oil in 1970



China oil consumption and production 1980 -2005



~ 100,000 TW of energy is received from the sun



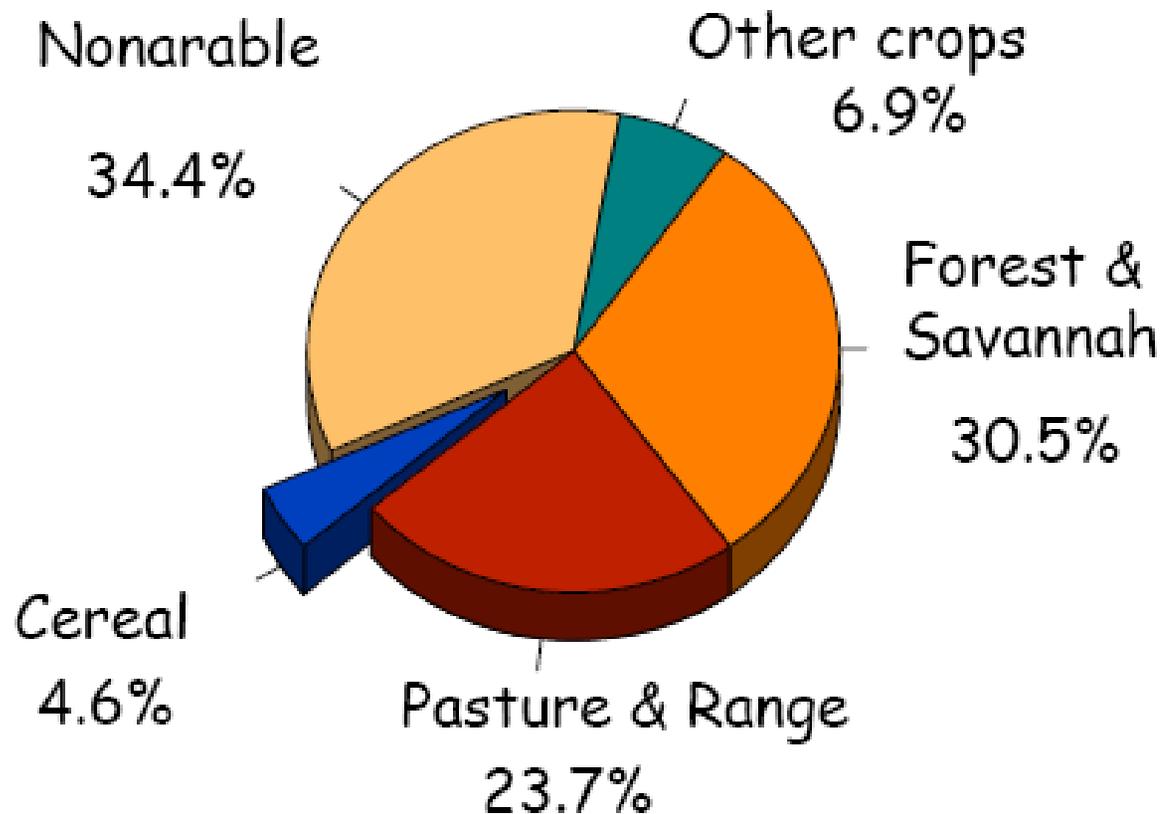
Amount of land needed to capture 13 TW:

20% efficiency (photovoltaic) = 0.23%

1% efficiency (bio-mass) = 4.6%

~13 B ha of land in the Earth

- 1.5 B ha for crops
- 3.5 B ha for pastureland
- 0.5 B ha are "built up"
- 7.5 B ha are forest land or "other"



Projected Population Growth

