



AMF ANNEX 56: METHANOL AS MOTOR FUEL

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Advanced Motor Fuels TCP and Methanol



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Advanced Motor Fuels TCP

= strong international network
fosters collaborative (RD&D)
provides unbiased information
aims for sustainable mobility

- framework was established by the IEA
- one of IEA's seven transport related TCPs

<https://www.iea.org/areas-of-work/technology-collaboration/transport>



Character of AMF

- pool and leverage their knowledge and research capabilities from different countries
- exchange of best practices
- take regional and local conditions into consideration when facilitating the deployment of new fuel and vehicle technologies
- AMF does not pursue individual interests
- AMF is the only internationally recognized, technology-neutral clearinghouse for fuels-related information



AMF through the years

Long-standing agreement

- 1984-1989 Alcohols as Motor Fuels
- 1990-1998 Alternative Motor Fuels
- 1999-today Advanced Motor Fuels

Current term 2020 - 2024

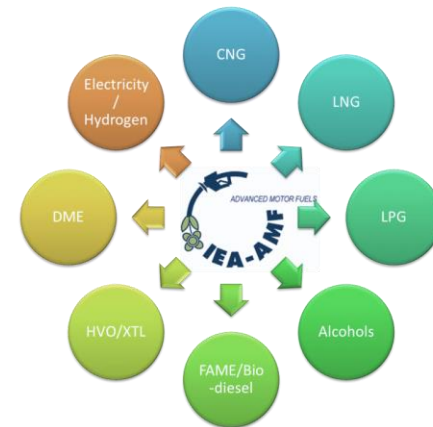
The Advanced Motor Fuels TCP (AMF) is a very active and successful program

- The number of participating countries has grown from 4 countries in 1984 to 15 countries in 2020
- 61 annexes (projects) have been initiated by the program since its beginning



Scope of the AMF TCP

- AMF works on the entire spectrum of fuels from feedstock, through fuel processing, distribution, and, finally, end use in vehicles.
- AMF works closely with other related Technology Collaboration Programmes either through the End Use Working Party or by way of direct interaction.
- Advanced motor fuels are fuels that fulfill one or more of the following criteria:
 - Reduces GHG emissions
 - Improves life-cycle efficiency
 - Has high energy efficiency
 - Has low toxic emissions
 - Enables fuels for new propulsion systems
 - Contributes to security of supply



AMF Vision

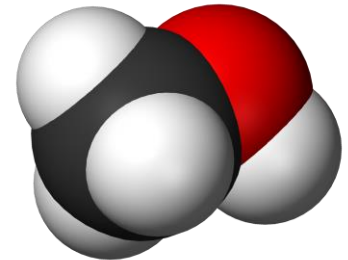
**Advanced motor fuels,
applicable to all modes of transport,
significantly contribute to a sustainable society around the globe.**

AMF contributes by

- providing a solid basis for decision making (information and recommendations)
- providing a forum for sharing best practices and pooling resources, internationally

Methanol on AMF's radar screen

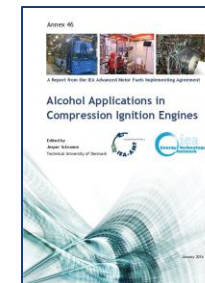
- Methanol is a versatile energy carrier
- Efficient processing
- Multiple feedstock options (fossil & renewable)
- No carbon-to-carbon bonds resulting in soot-free combustion
- Several engine technologies possible (assisted ignition)
 - spark-plug
 - glow-plug
 - dual-fuel
 - ignition improver additives
- Potential for high engine efficiency
- Methanol fulfils most AMF's criteria for advanced fuels!



AMF work including alcohol fuels

Bolded items specifically on alcohol fuels

- Annex 1: Alcohols and Alcohol Blends as Motor Fuels
- Annex 3: Diesel Field Trials and Diesel Field Trials Analyses
- **Annex 4: Production of Alcohols and Other Oxygenates from Fossil Fuels and Renewables**
- Annex 5: Performance evaluation of alternative fuel/engine concepts
- **Annex 26: Alcohols and Ethers as Oxygenates in Diesel Fuel**
- **Annex 35-1: Ethanol as a Fuel for Road Transportation**
- **Annex 35-2: Particle Measurements: Ethanol and Butanol in DISI Engines**
- **Annex 36: Measurement Technologies for Emissions from Ethanol Fuelled Vehicles – METEV**
- Annex 37: Fuel and Technology Alternatives for Buses
- Annex 43: Performance Evaluation of Passenger Car Fuel and Powerplant Options
- **Annex 44: Research on Unregulated Pollutants Emissions of Vehicles Fuelled with Alcohol Alternative Fuels**
- **Annex 46: Alcohol Application in CI Engines**
- Annex 49: COMVEC – Fuel and Technology Alternatives for Commercial Vehicles
- Annex 52: Fuels for Efficiency
- **Annex 54: GDI Engines and Alcohol Fuels**
- **Annex 56: Methanol as Motor Fuel**



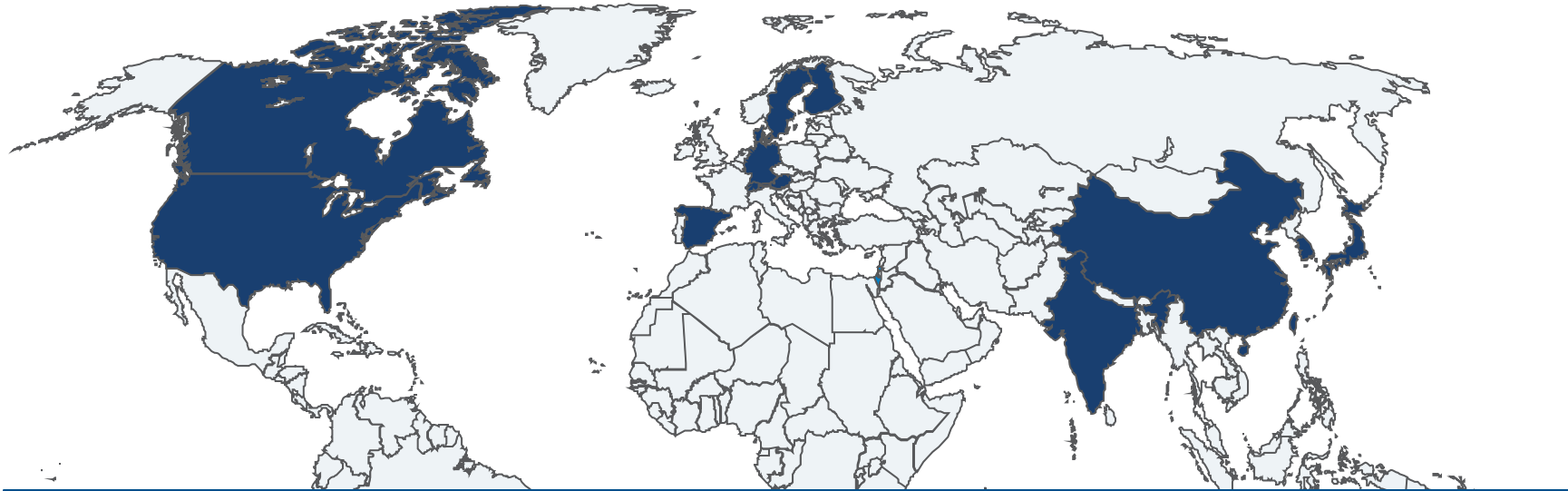
AMF's current work programme

- Annex 28: Information Service & AMF Website (AMFI)
- **Annex 56: Methanol as Motor Fuel**
- Annex 57: Heavy Duty Vehicle Evaluation (including HD ethanol)
- Annex 58: Transport Decarbonisation
- Annex 59: Lessons Learned from Alternative Fuel Experiences
- Annex 60: The Progress of Advanced Marine Fuels
- Annex 61: Remote Emission Sensing



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Global Network of Experts



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Alcohol fuels including methanol are an essential part of AMF's legacy

AMF also foresees a role for methanol as a future energy carrier in the transport sector

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Annex 56

Methanol as Motor Fuel

Prospects for renewable methanol



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Methanol as motor fuel

Agenda

Global transport sector

Overview methanol market

Renewable methanol

Prospects of commercialization as fuel



Global transport sector

Data and statistics 2018

Energy demand

Global: 9,938 Mtoe

Transport: 29%

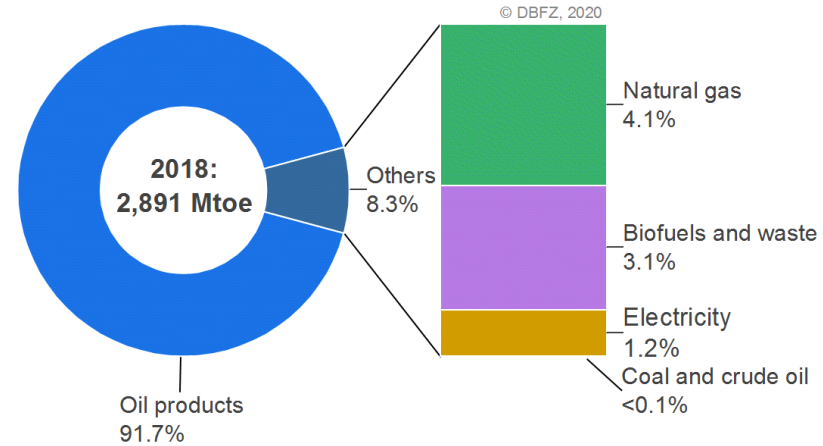
(Increase of 46% compared to 1990)

GHG emissions

Global: 33,514 Mt CO₂-eq

Transport: 25%

(Increase of 44% compared to 1990)



Global energy demand of transport sector

Overview methanol market

Data and statistics

Methanol as motor fuel

Straight or **blended** in methanol engines

Intermediate for FAME, MTBE, DME, MtG

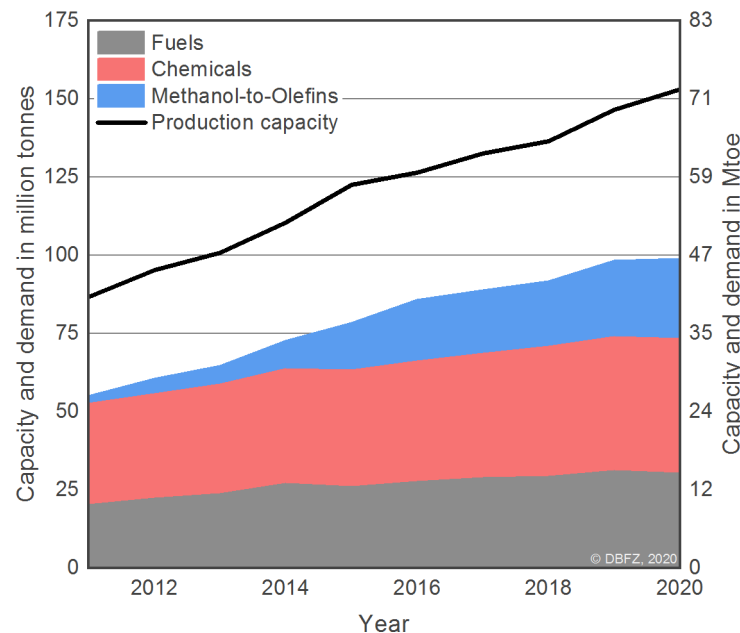
Energy carrier for fuel cells

Main driver

China with approx. **100 million vehicles** using straight or blended methanol as motor fuel



Methanol is a multipurpose fuel



Renewable methanol

Conversion routes

Global capacity: Less than 1 million tonnes per year

Renewable methanol plants, examples:

Enerkem, Canada (municipal solid waste)

CRI, Iceland (hydropower and geothermal energy)

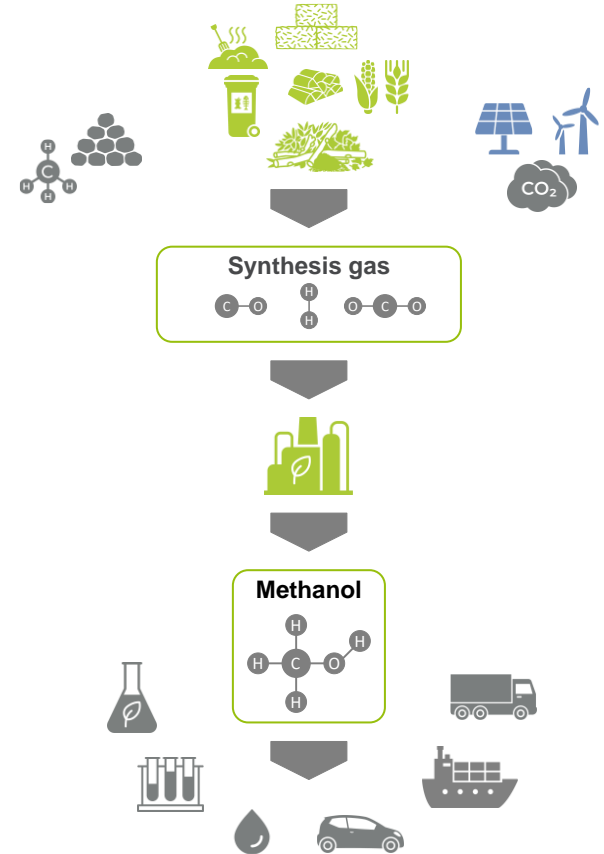
Södra, Sweden (cultivated wood)

Technology Readiness Level (TRL) of conversion route from

Biomass: 3 – 7 / Power: 7 – 8



Production capacity of renewable methanol has to be increased



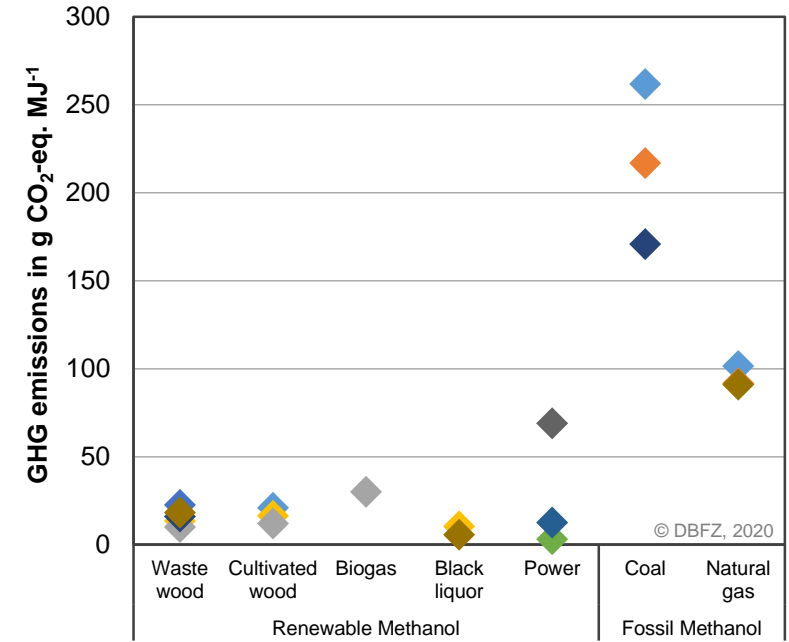
Renewable methanol

GHG emissions (literature based)

Renewable methanol
3 – 69 g CO₂-eq/MJ

Fossil methanol
91 – 262 g CO₂-eq/MJ

- Main drivers
- Resources
 - Conversion technology



GHG reduction potentials of renewable methanol can be competitive to established renewable fuels and are competitive to fossil fuels

Renewable methanol

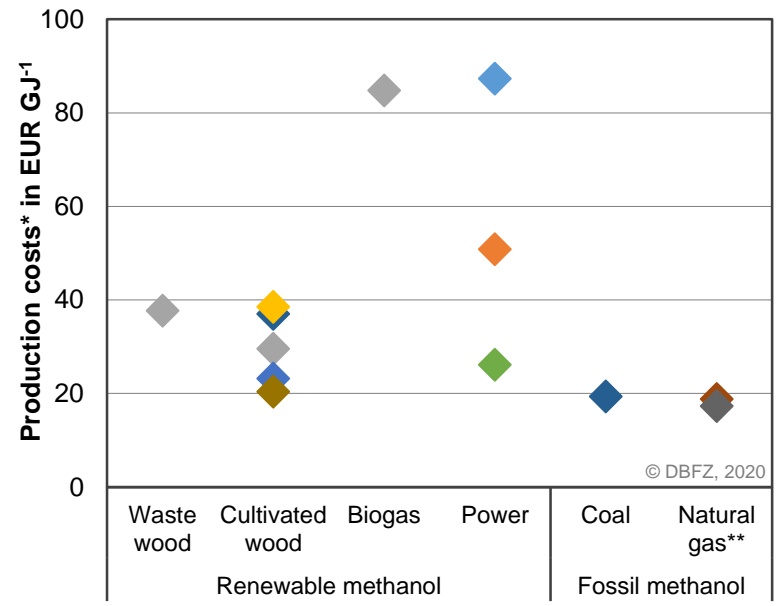
Production costs (literature based)

Renewable methanol
23 – 87 EUR/GJ (costs*)

Fossil methanol
17 – 19 EUR/GJ (price*)

Renewable motor fuels in Europe:

Bioethanol	20 – 35 EUR/GJ	(price*)
FAME	20 – 30 EUR/GJ	(price*)
Biomethane	8 EUR/GJ	(price*)

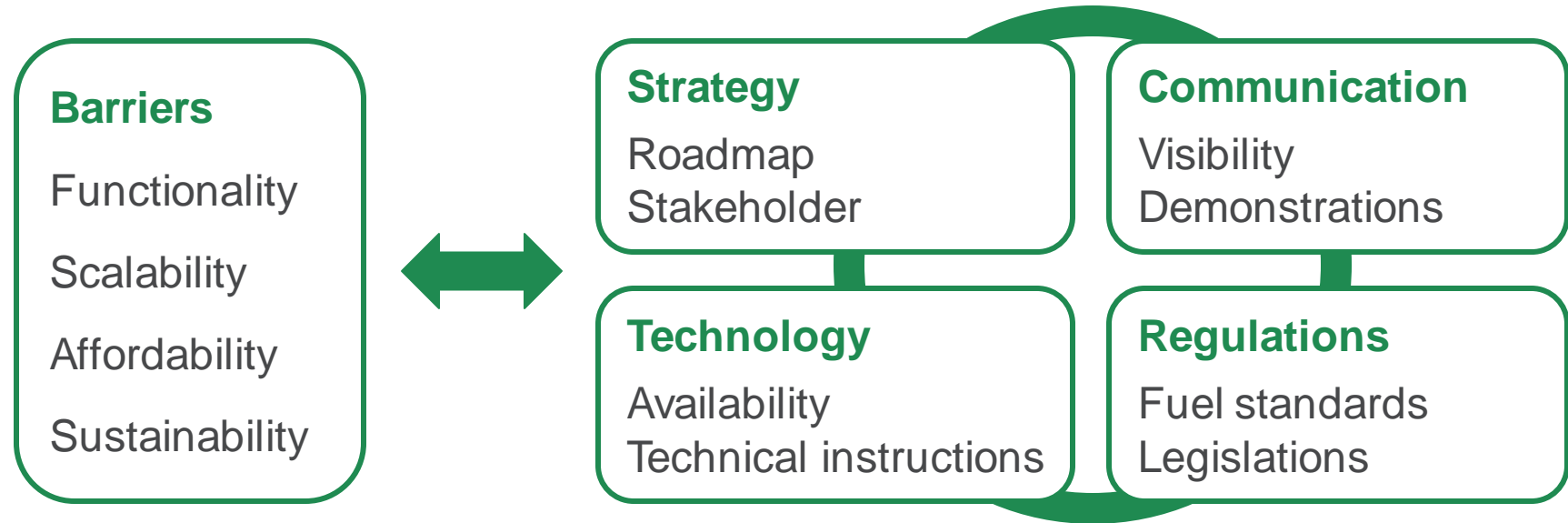


* normalized to 2018
** price of methanol from natural gas



Production costs of renewable methanol can be competitive to established renewable fuels, if using suitable resources

Prospects of commercialization as fuel



Implementing alternative fuels to market needs supporting elements on global, national and local level



Key messages

- Methanol is a multipurpose fuel;
- Production costs and GHG reduction potentials of renewable methanol can be competitive to established renewable fuels;
- In order to support GHG mitigation in transport, production capacity of sustainable renewable methanol has to be increased as soon as possible;
- Supporting elements on strategic, regulatory, technical and communicative level are of overarching importance.



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M85 for passenger cars

Results and Barriers to Commercialization



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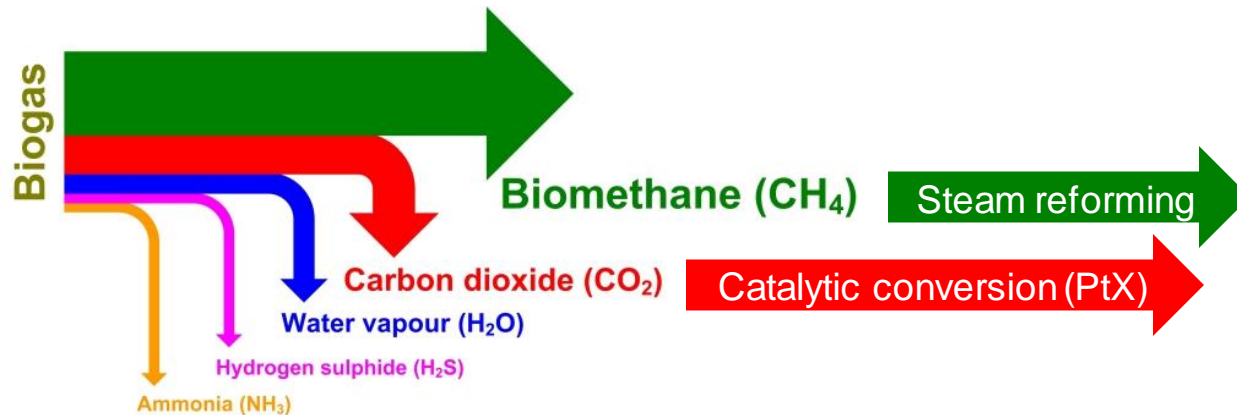
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Motivation

From Agricultural Waste to Sustainable Fuel

- Very large biogas potential due to intensive farming
- Biogas from manure greatly reduces CH_4 emissions
 - Net negative CO_2eq can be obtained with closed digesters (RED II)
- CO_2 from biogas is currently wasted (vented to atmosphere)
 - This CO_2 can be captured and converted to methanol



The case for Bio M85

Danish context, RED I Wood Methanol 5 gCO_{2eq}/MJ

	Gasoline E5	Electric DK	Bio M85
Fuel and energy pathway	Corn fermentation and natural gas in CHP	From Danish grid	Wet manure from open digestate with off-gas combustion
Emission in production of vehicle	5.600 kg CO _{2eq.}	8.800 kg CO _{2eq.}	5.600 kg CO _{2eq.}
Emission driving 150.000 km	19.650 kg CO _{2eq.}	4.875 kg CO _{2eq.}	6.000 kg CO _{2eq.}
Life cycle emission	25.250 kg CO _{2eq.}	13.675 kg CO _{2eq.}	11.600 kg CO _{2eq.}

Why methanol?

Why not use methane or hydrogen directly?

- Methanol is more feasible for storage and distribution
- Methane requires new fueling stations and new cars
- Hydrogen requires new grid, new fueling stations and new cars

- On the short-medium term, methanol seems like the fastest option...

- IF we can get existing cars and fueling stations to work!



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Our cars

2008 Peugeot 107

Uses Artline SARL E85 Flex-Fuel Kit

- 1-liter n.a. engine
- 68 hp
- EURO 4
- Runs on M100 when warm
- “Check Engine” light turns on
- MOT denied...



2020 Peugeot 108

Engine calibration by 2M Teknik

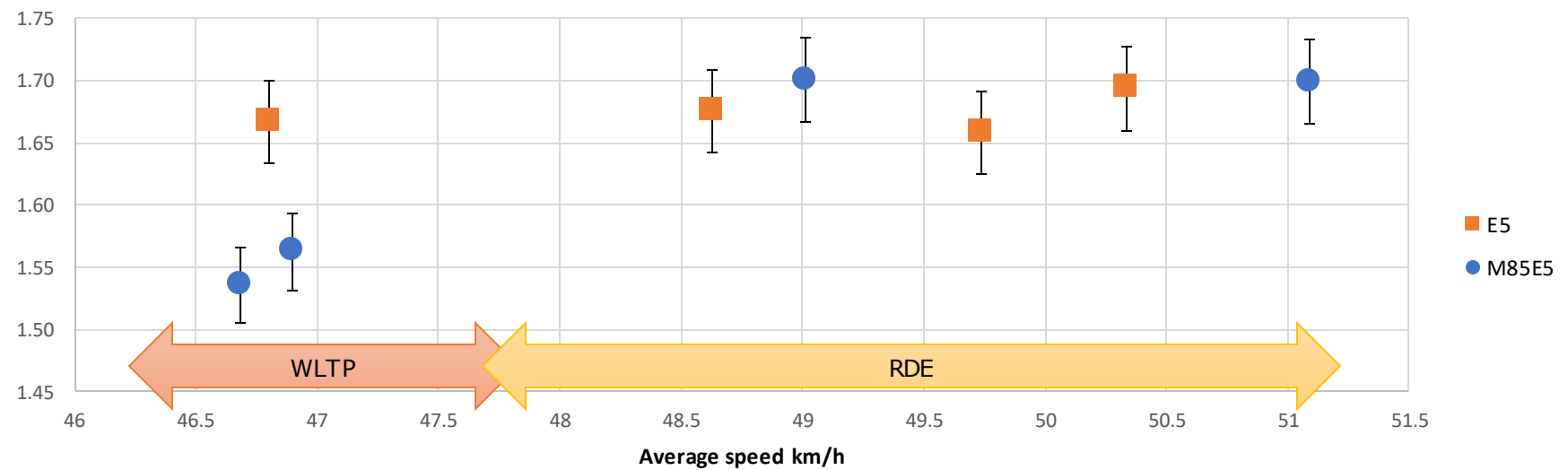
- 1-liter n.a. engine
- 72 hp
- EURO 6
- Runs well on M85
- Ny physical changes



2008 Peugeot 107

Fuel economy is on par with gasoline

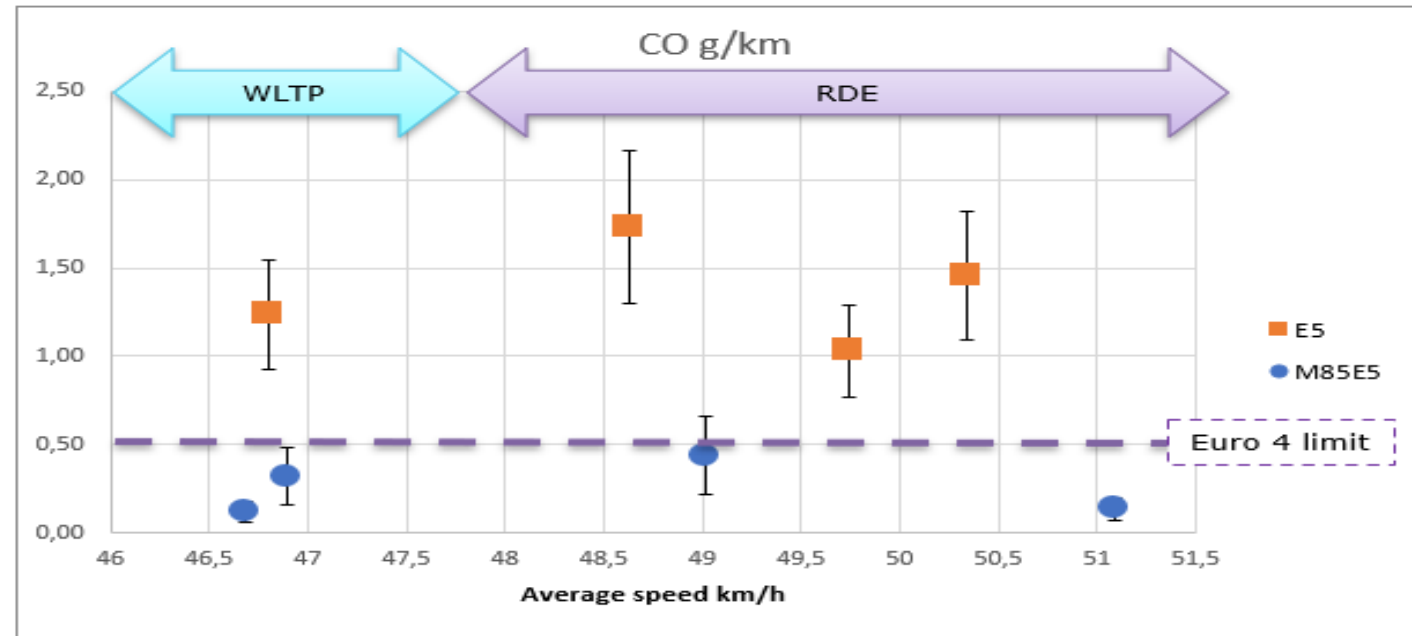
Fuel energy (LHV) MJ/km



Source: Danish Technological Institute

2008 Peugeot 107

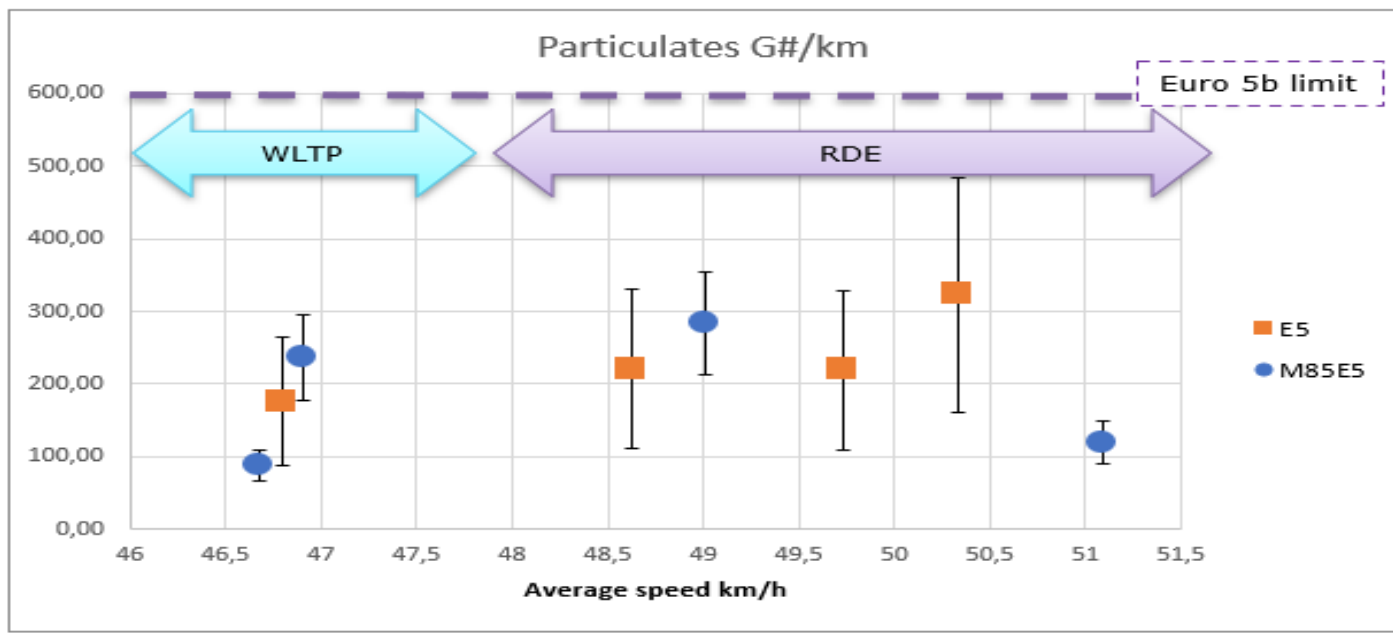
CO is much lower on M85



Source: Danish Technological Institute

2008 Peugeot 107

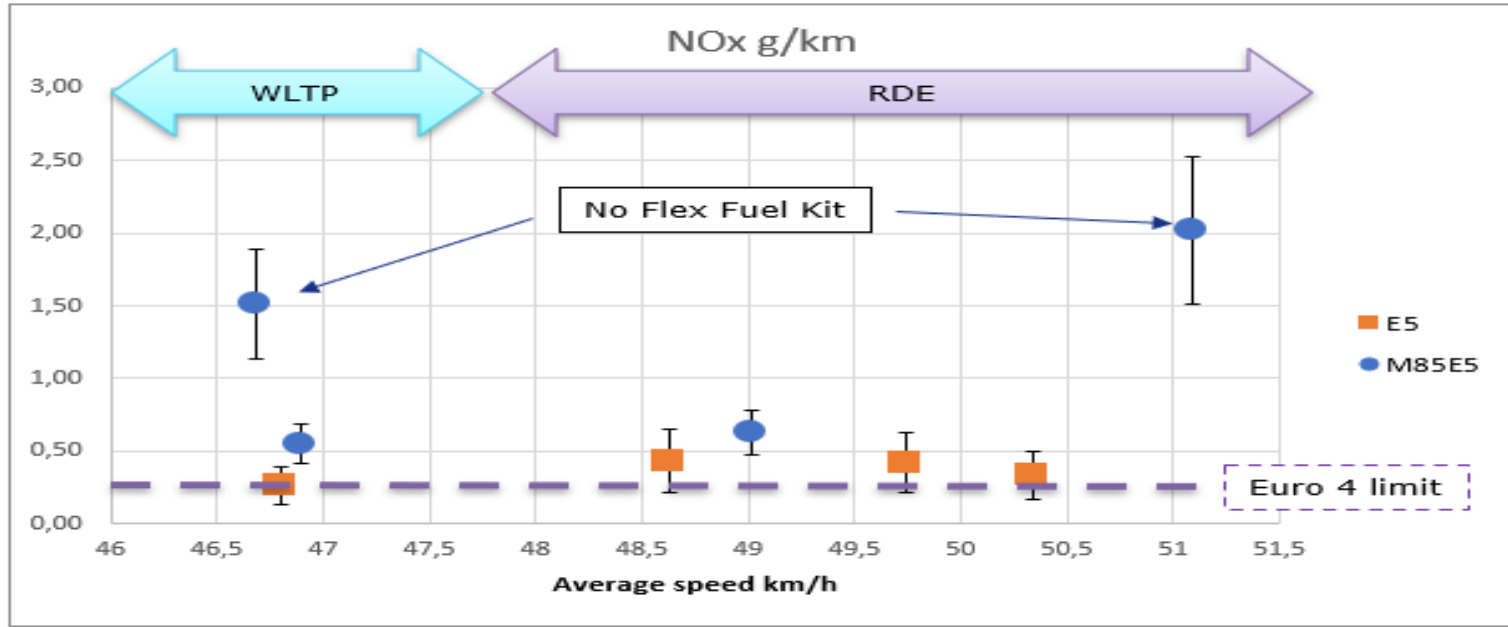
Pn is good in any case



Source: Danish Technological Institute

2008 Peugeot 107

NOx is acceptable for EURO 4



Source: Danish Technological Institute

Summary

2008 Peugeot 107

Fuel type	95 Octane Petrol	105 Octane M85
Air-Fuel Ratio	14,0:1	7,6:1
Fuel energy MJ/l	32,2	18,2
Performance		
Max. power	68 hk	73 hk
Max. torque	97 Nm	102 Nm
MJ/km	1,63	1,62
km/l	19,8	11,8
Car efficiency	15%	15%
Engine efficiency	25%	25%
Emissions		
CO ₂ , g/km	118	118
CO, g/km	1,4	0,4
NO _x , g/km	0,4	0,6
Pn, G#/km	234	259

Latest results

2020 Peugeot 108 (EURO 6) with 2M calibration

ANNEX IIIa Appendix 6
Final RDE emissions results

Conformity of Emissions



§	criterium	condition	value	unit	pass/fail
ANNEX IIIA 2.1.1	CF max = 1 + margin NOx with margin NOx = 1.1	conformity factor NOx urban <= 2.1	4.17		fail
	CF max = 1 + margin NOx with margin NOx = 1.1	conformity factor NOx trip <= 2.1	1.89		pass
	CF max = 1 + margin PN with margin PN = 0.5	conformity factor PN urban <= 1.5	0.61		pass
	CF max = 1 + margin PN with margin PN = 0.5	conformity factor PN trip <= 1.5	0.45		pass

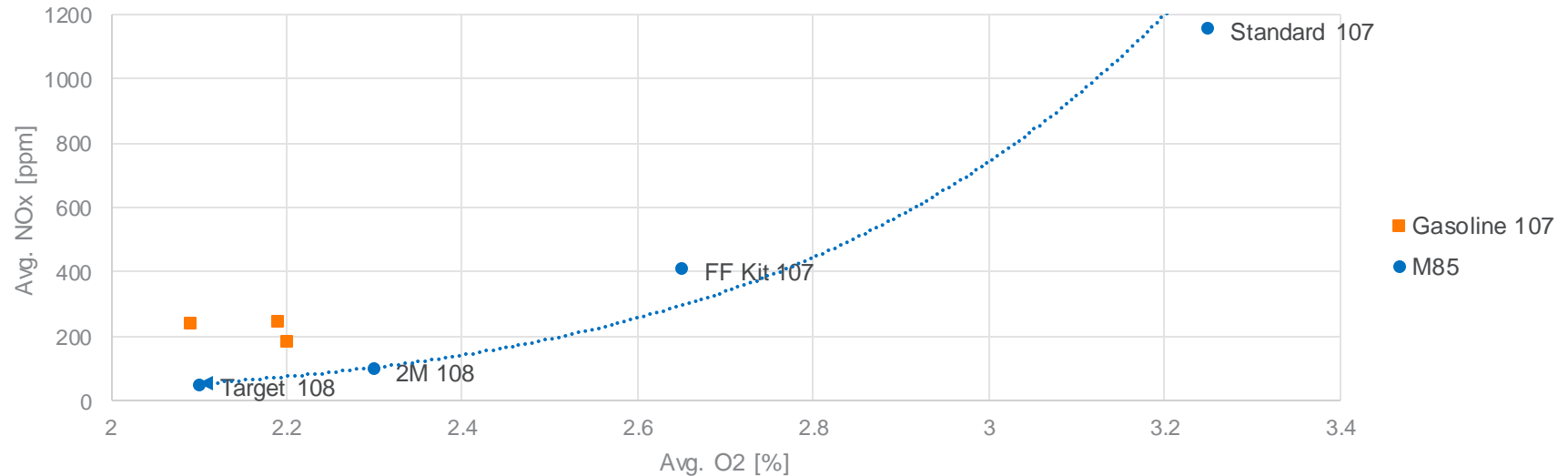
urban		CO2	CO	NOx	PN
correction	factor	g/km	mg/km	mg/km	#/km
none		118.81	9.51	250.20	3.671e+11
EXTC	1.60		9.51	250.20	3.671e+11
RF	1.00		9.51	250.20	3.671e+11
ki			9.51	250.20	
final result *			9.51	250.20	3.671e+11
WLTP limit			1000.00	60.00	6.000e+11
conformity factor				4.17	0.61

trip		CO2	CO	NOx	PN
correction	factor	g/km	mg/km	mg/km	#/km
none		106.08	16.06	113.60	2.672e+11
EXTC	1.60		16.06	113.60	2.672e+11
RF	1.00		16.06	113.60	2.672e+11
ki			16.06	113.60	
final result *			16.06	113.60	2.672e+11
WLTP limit			1000.00	60.00	6.000e+11
conformity factor				1.89	0.45

Towards EURO 6 approval

Only NOx remains to be solved

RDE test with Peugeot 107 and 108





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Next step...

100 cars for trials in 2021

Entire value chain involved

West



Danish Methanol Association



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Barriers

What stops methanol from being used?

Technical, political, financial

- Exchange agreements
- E10 is cheaper
- Biofuel mandates do not account for actual CO₂
- Bio-CO₂ counts as fossil in the vehicle industry
- => No OEM support
- We need demonstration programs to assure confidence that M85 is safe for vehicles and infrastructure and that any technical difficulties can be solved.



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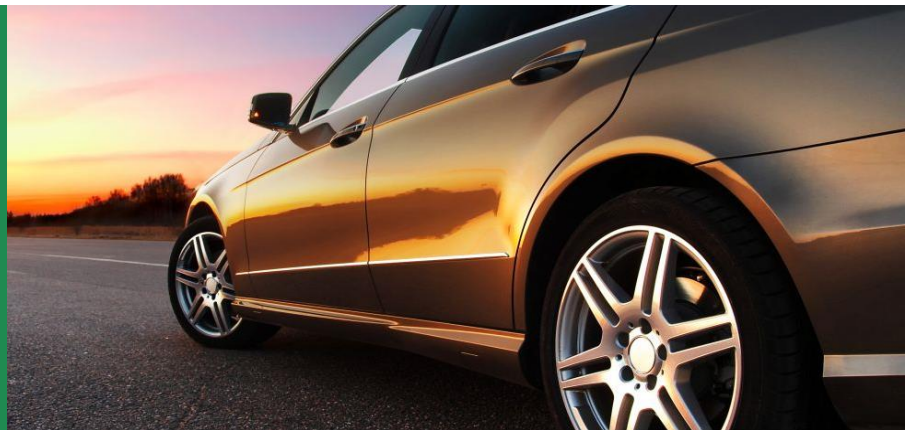
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High Efficiency Methanol Engines




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Methanol properties & methanol engines

Properties of methanol enables higher efficiencies

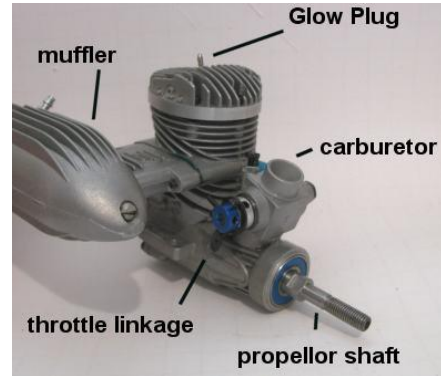
Compared to gasoline or diesel

- High RON (knock resistance)
 - High burning velocity (increased expansion)
 - High heat of vaporization (cooler charge)
 - High lean burn limit & higher EGR tolerance
 - High hydrogen & oxygen / carbon ratio
 - Lack of carbon-carbon bonds
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- Increased power
 - Reduced exhaust heat losses
 - Reduced heat transfer losses
 - Reduced NO_x
 - Reduced CO₂
 - No soot

Large range of methanol engine applications- versatile, powerful & clean



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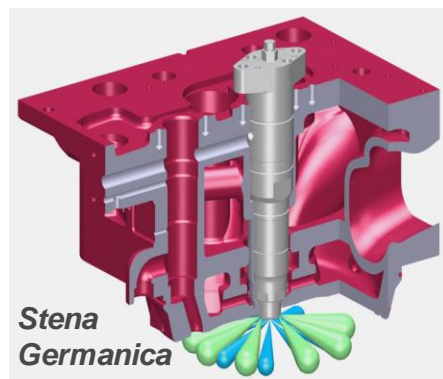
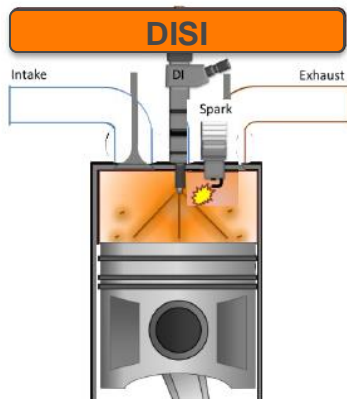
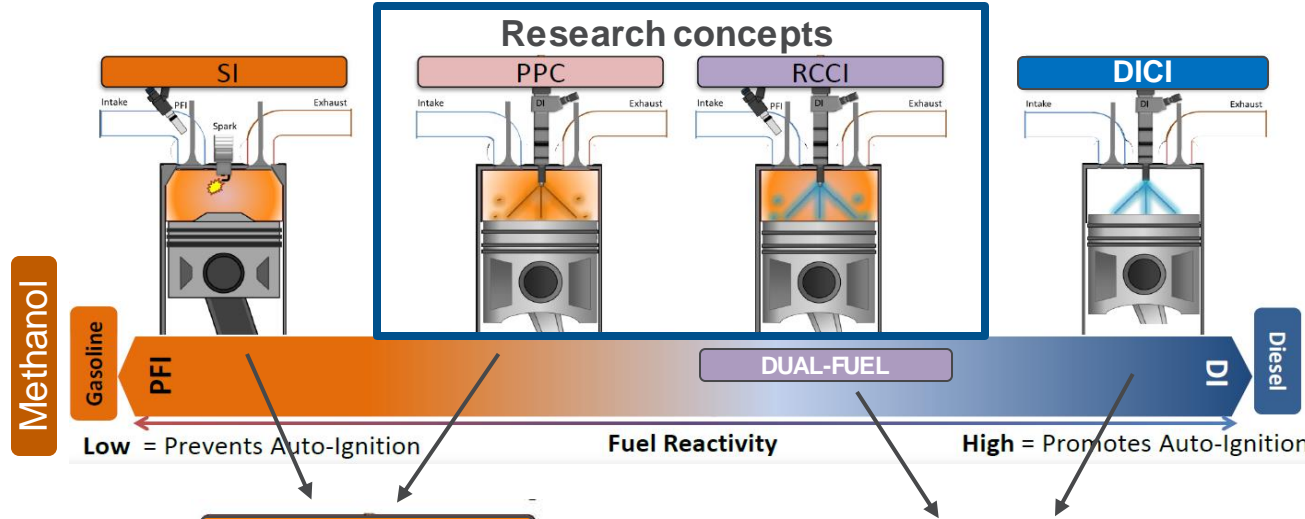


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Methanol engines – combustion strategies



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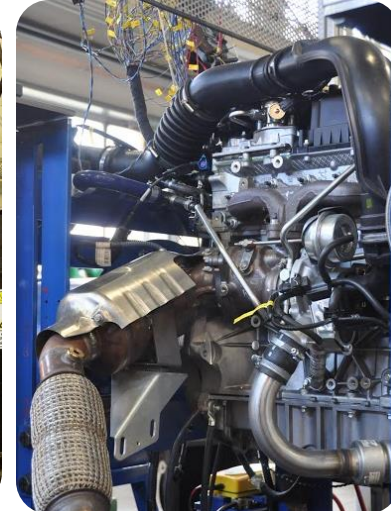


- SI – Spark Ignited
- CI – Compression Ignited
- DI – Direct Injected
- PFI – Port Fuel Injected

- PPC – Partially Premixed Combustion
- RCCI – Reactivity Controlled CI

Methanol in gasoline engines - DISI

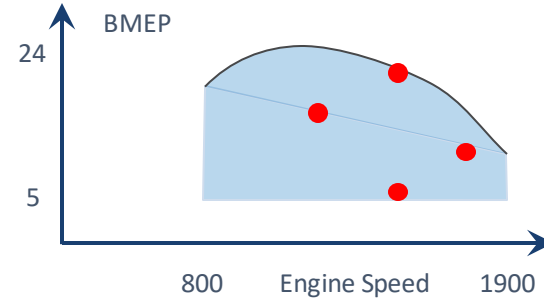
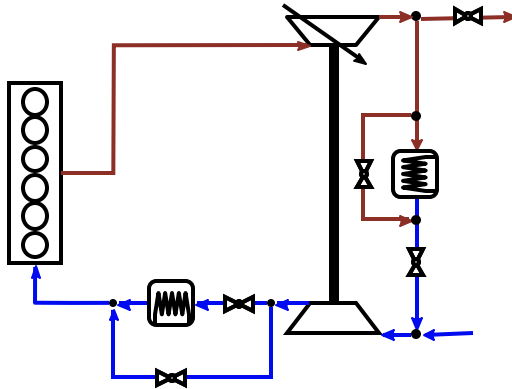
- Naturally aspirated Direct Injection (DI) engine Hyundai 2.4L at ANL
 - Tested methanol vs. gasoline +ethanol, butanol, E85, M56
 - Stock ECU – load limitations
 - Low-mid load: 2.7 %pt efficiency increase on methanol vs. gasoline
 - High load: 5.6 %pt (eff.=40%, i.e. -20% CO₂)
- Turbocharged DI: Volvo 1.6L “T3”
 - Efficiency +25%
 - MBT instead of KLSA
 - Effect not fully exploited: p_{max} limit
 - NO_x -35%



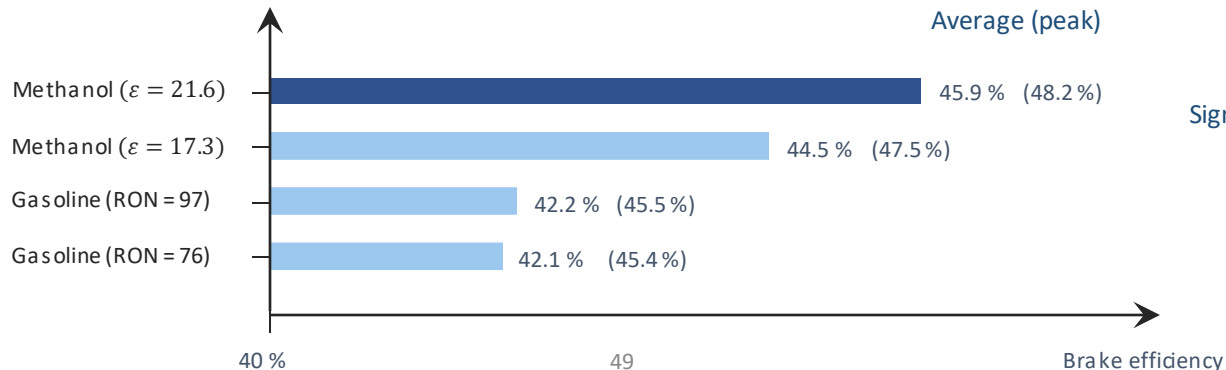
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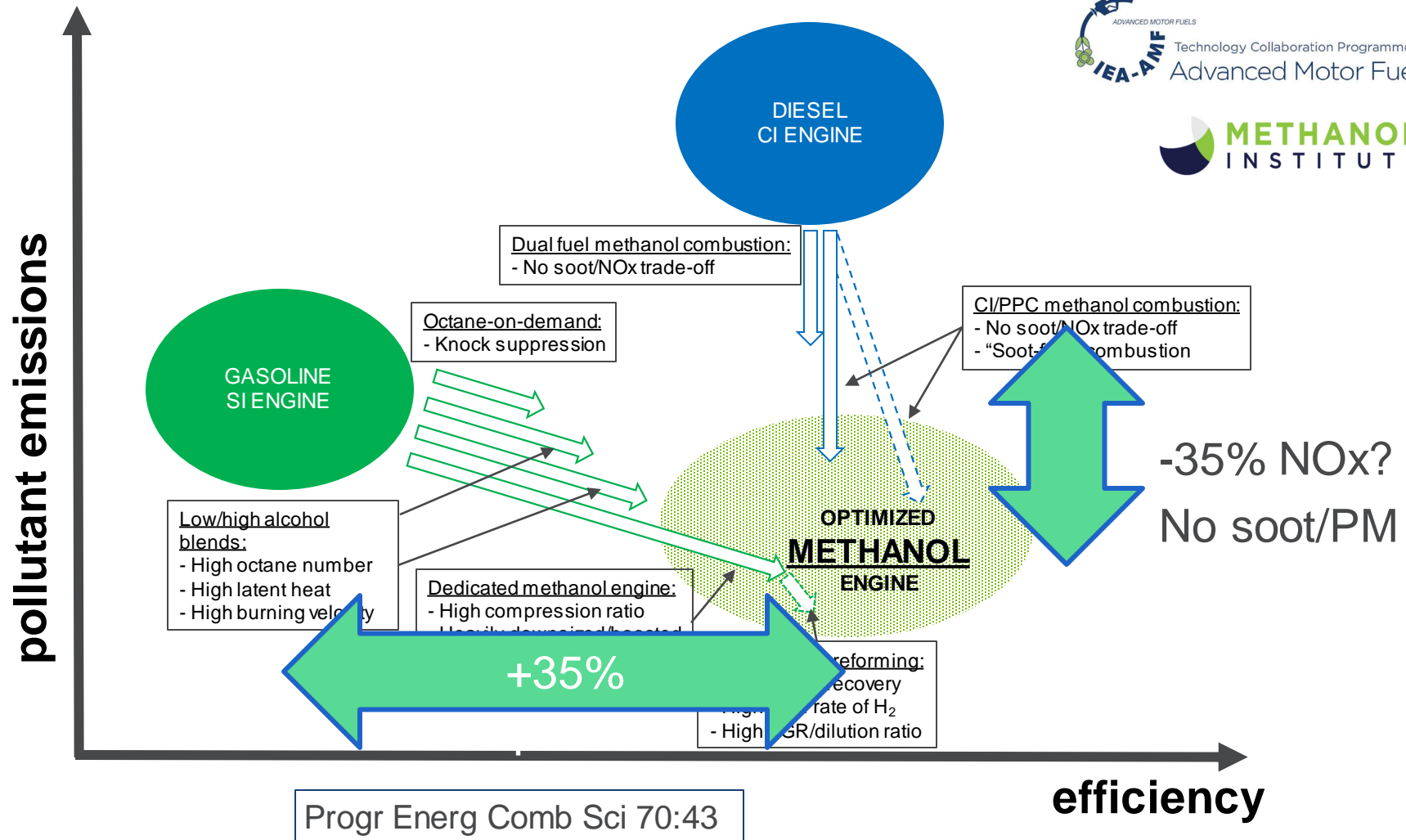
Methanol in diesel engines - PPC



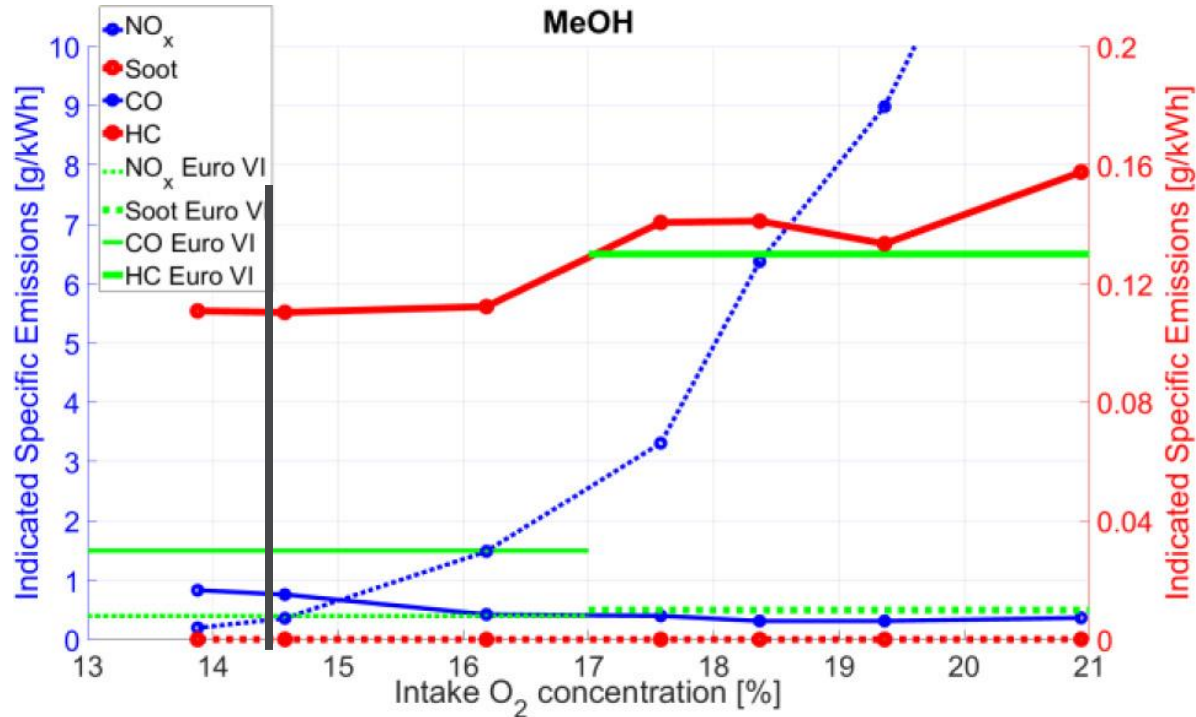
Diesel baseline 45.0% brake efficiency



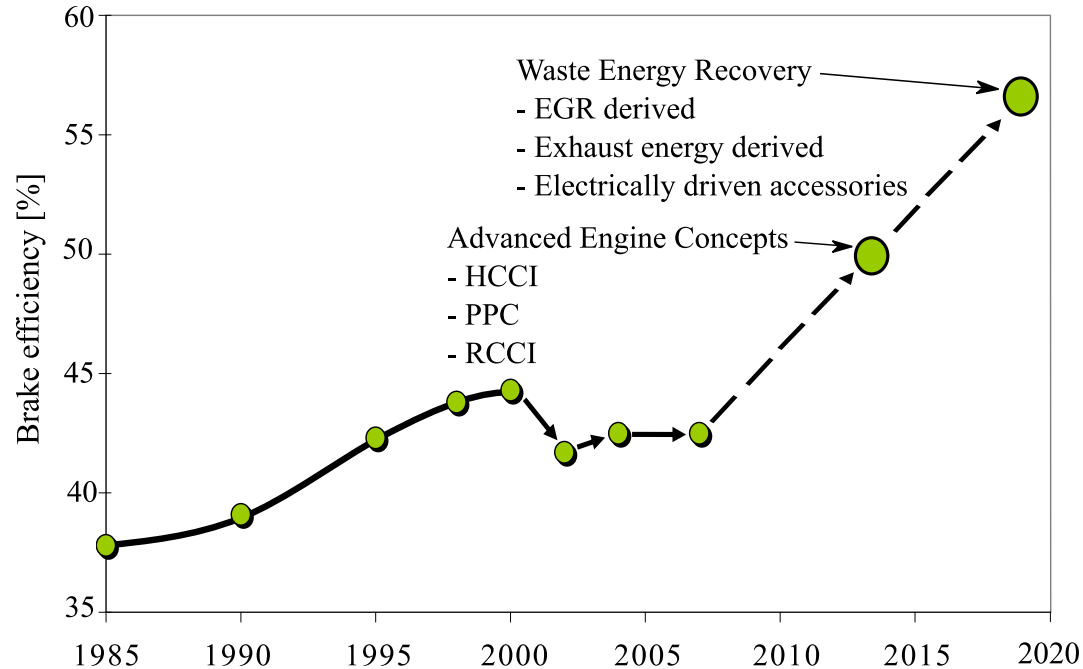
Significantly lower emissions



Euro VI compliant w/o aftertreatment



Fast development of ICE For gasoline and diesel...



Car engines approaching 50% efficiency

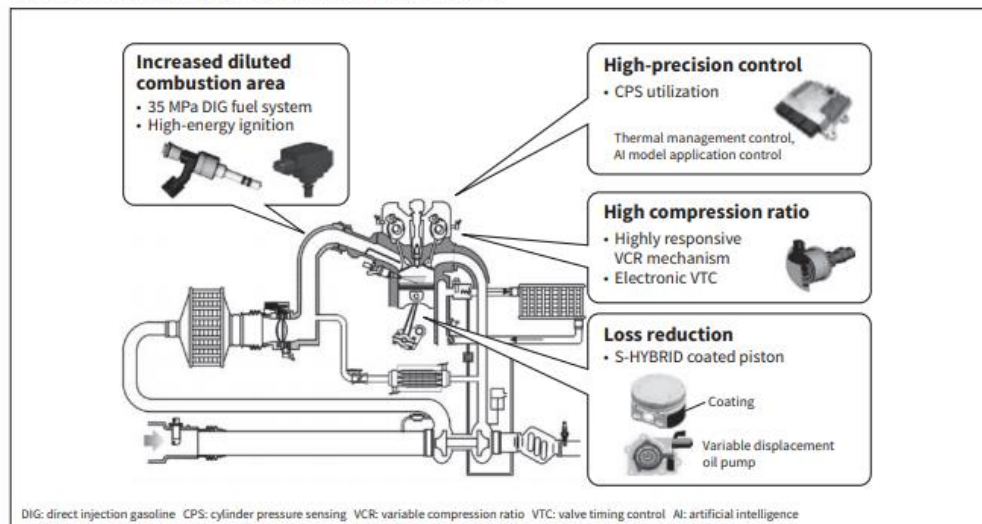
SIP – research program in Japan

High octane (gasoline) engines are surpassing the potential for high cetane (diesel) engines!!!

Ultra-lean + assisted compression ignition are critical factors = LTC

Figure 4 – Lineup of System Products for Achieving 50% Engine Thermal Efficiency

A higher compression ratio, diluted combustion, and reduced loss are important for increasing thermal efficiency. Hitachi Automotive Systems is developing combustion control technologies and system products that achieve this.

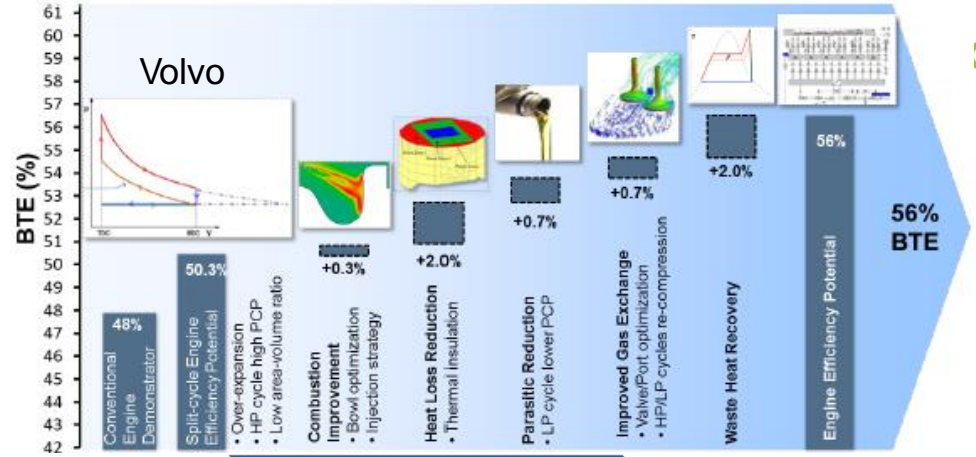
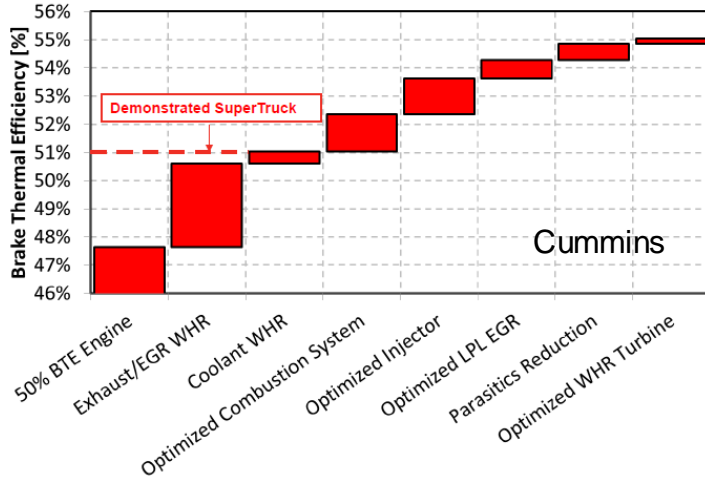


Truck engines approaching 55% efficiency

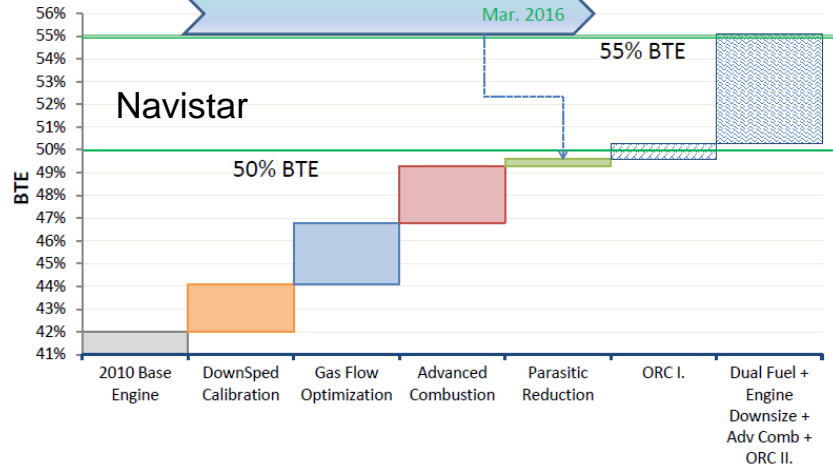
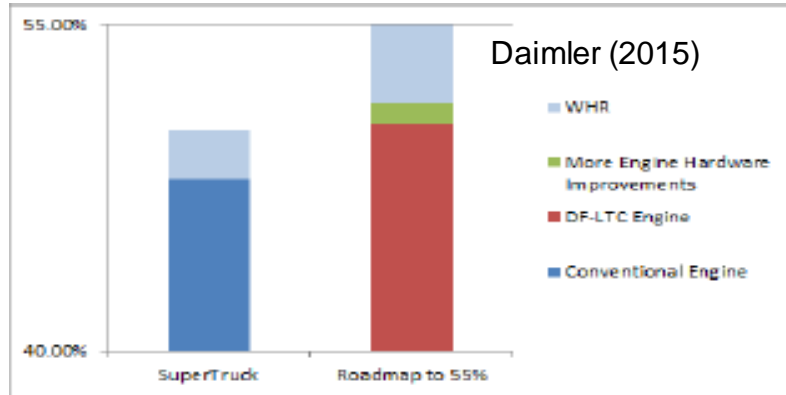


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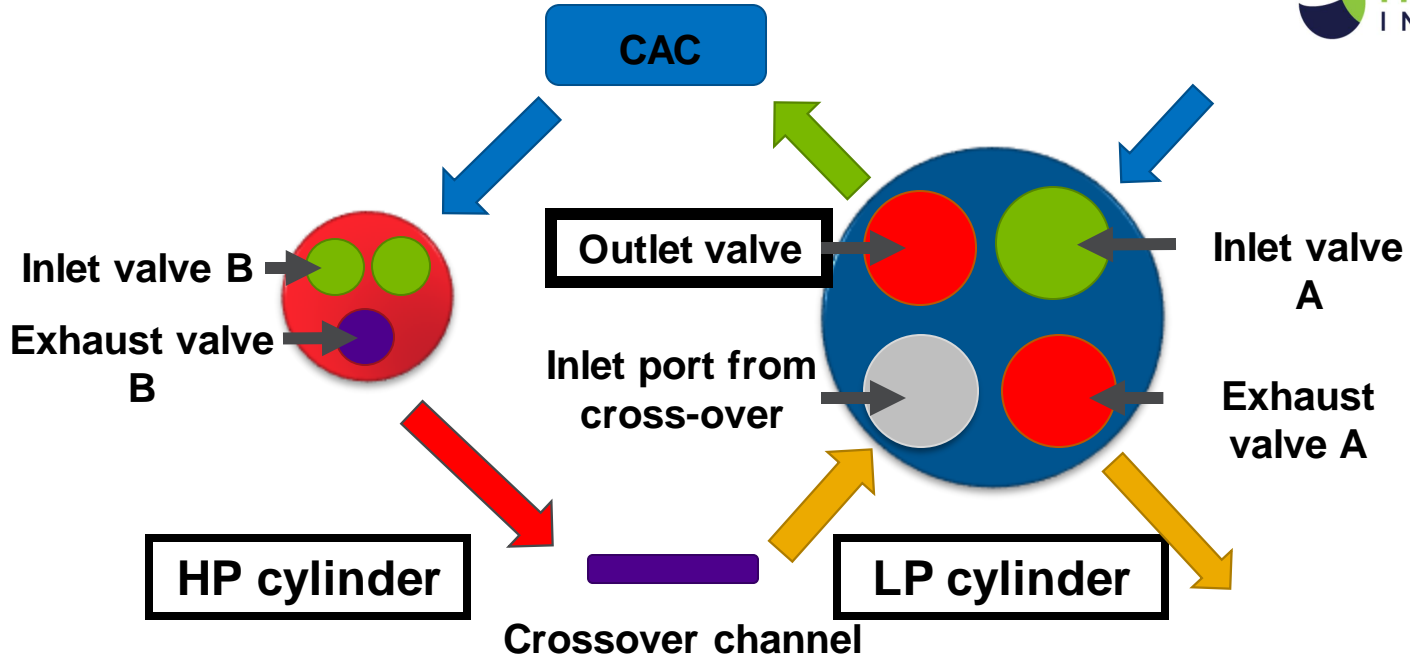
Path to 55% BTE for Conventional Diesel Combustion



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New engine concept from Lund: DCEE



56% efficiency (simulations)
Experiments just started on prototype

Dedicated methanol engines?

Likely even more efficient!

- Methanol fuel properties are those leading to even higher efficiency
 - Increased autoignition resistance
 - Lean limit extension
 - Low adiabatic flame temperature
 - ...
- DCEE on methanol = 60% efficiency?

Potential future applications of high efficiency methanol engines

Automotive applications



Marine applications



Potential future applications

High Efficiency Methanol Engines

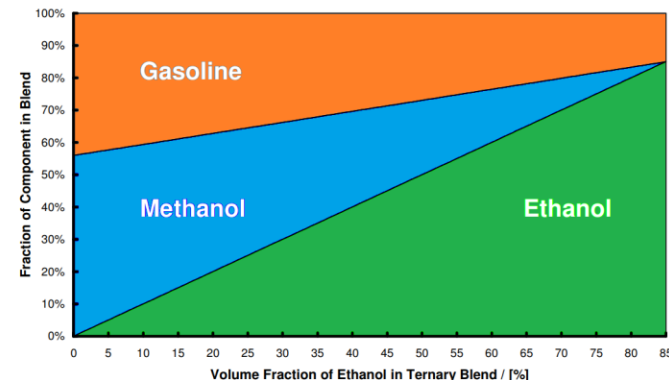
- Captive fleets – high energy sectors
- Shipping – ongoing!
- Agricultural-, forestry-, and work machinery
- Long haulage
- Large reduction of CO₂
- Large reduction of soot and NO_x
- Large risk reduction from spill



Potential future applications

High Efficiency Methanol Engines

- Drop-in 3% methanol in regular gasoline
 - Ok according to EN228 gasoline standard
- Flex-fuel vehicles (GEM – Gasoline-Ethanol-Methanol)
 - E85 cars originates from M85 cars
- Hybrids – can and should run on renewables
 - Toyota E100 hybrid on Brazilian market
- Low cost sustainable cars on emerging markets

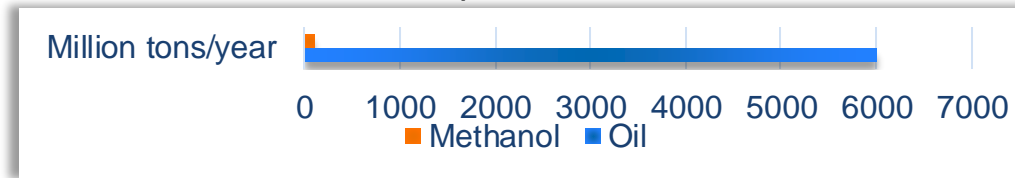


Market penetration considerations

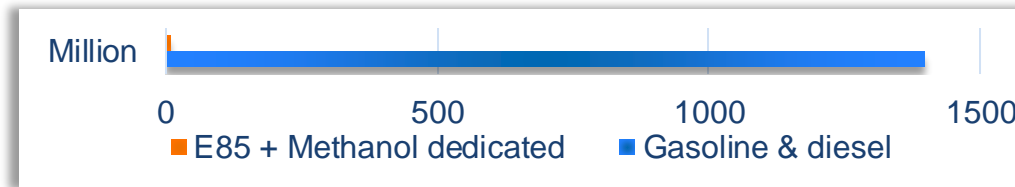
Methanol versus oil

Knowing the challenge

Global production 2019



Number of vehicles 2019



***Doubling of
transportation by
2050?***

How to replace oil?

Phasing out 6 billion tons of oil annually is not easy

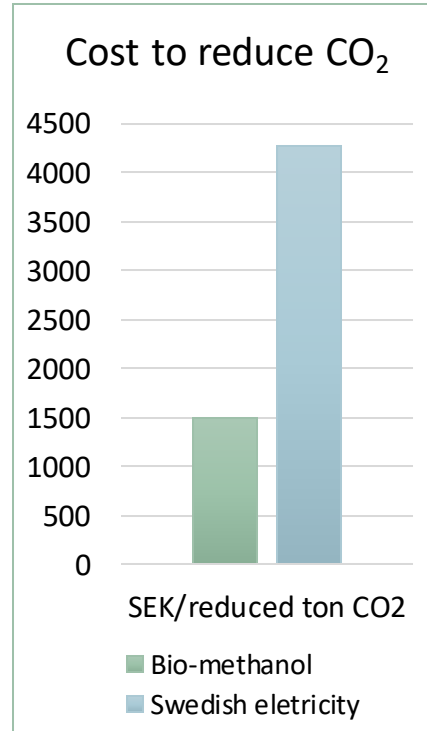
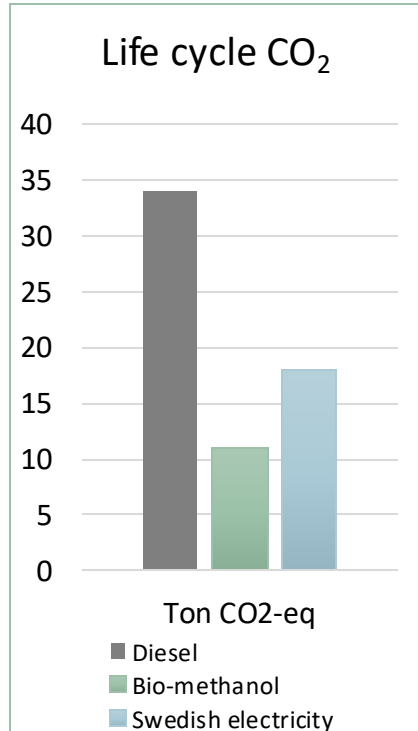
Relevance of various sustainable energy carriers

More efficient transportation counters some of the increased energy needs!

- Electric drive on renewable electricity – yes, very important but not enough (IEA 2018 – Future is electric)
- HVO – yes, but probably prioritized for aviation and not enough anyway
- Bio-methane – yes indeed, but too small scale
- Etanol – yes, but not enough – great companion to methanol
- FAME – yes, but not enough
- e-Hydrogen & e-methane – yes, important and great scalability, but practical?
- Bio-methanol & e-methanol – yes, great potential, but not enough on their own

Most based on different and complementary feedstocks! All have their pros, cons, risks and opportunities... another presentation...

Methanol cars versus electric cars



Example:

- Passenger cars
- CO₂-eq from production + use
- 200 000 km WLTP drive cycle
- Brut costs (no tax or subventions)

*Quickly changing scenario
but shows that bio-methanol
is relevant*

Barriers?

Few reasons why methanol should not become an important sustainable fuel

- Scalable, affordable and functional
- Engines based on simple and abundant materials

Potential challenges for large scale market penetration of methanol engines:

- Lack of relevant regulations
- Massive break-through on fast charging and new types of batteries for vehicles – depending less on rare materials, allowing increased production of low cost electric vehicles
- Strong cost reduction of fuel cells – making FC vehicles a cost competitive alternative
- Stronger demand for renewable methanol in other sectors

Needs for large scale introduction of high efficiency methanol engines

Legislation

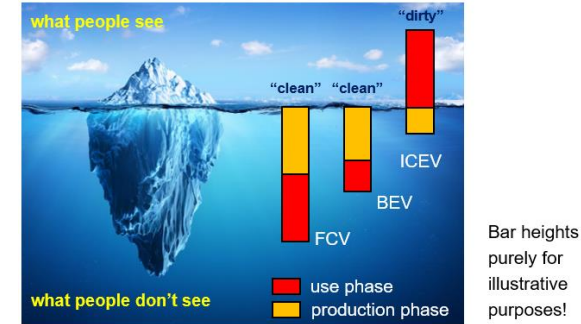
- Holistic lifecycle assessment (LCA) based regulations provide meaning and long term stability markets for sustainable fuels
 - Tail-pipe based regulations “fools the world” and delays important measures against climate change

Availability

- Enormous scaling up of methanol production and distribution, relevant engines and vehicles

Technical

- Robust injectors and fueling systems with proof of long term durability
- Fuel standards for neat “fuel” methanol and various blends of methanol.
 - M100, M56 (similar to E85), MD95...
- Certification work for engine and vehicle manufacturers
- R & D into dedicated methanol engines



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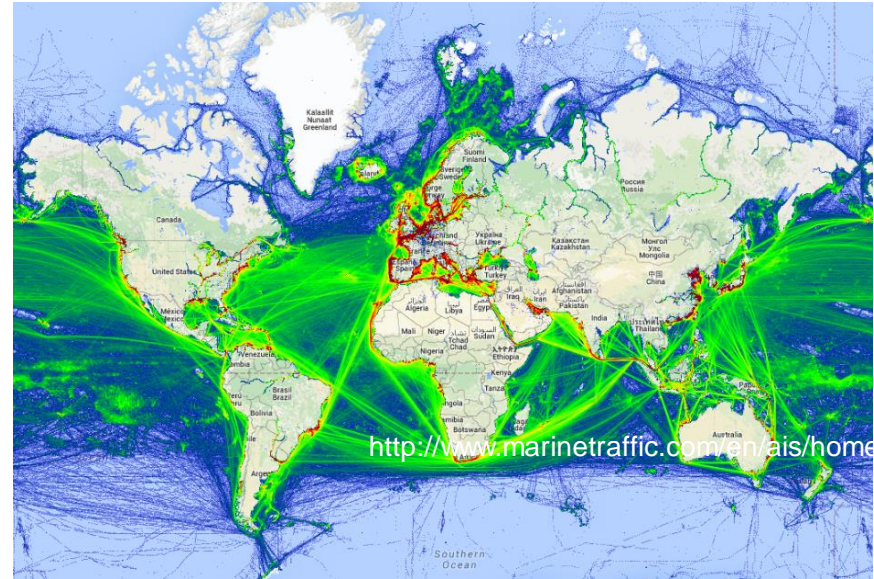


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Ships travel close to coast where dense population lives

Why clean-burning & climate-neutral marine fuels?

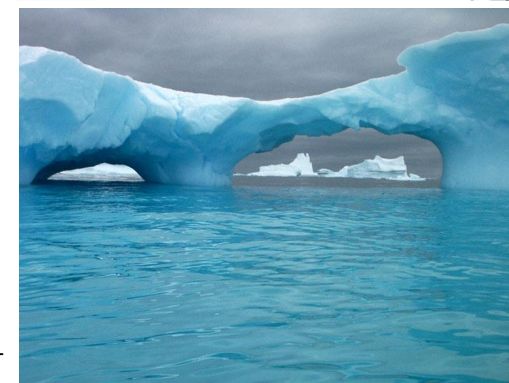
Emission regulations are tightening

Global warming burden of shipping

- GHG strategy of the IMO to cut shipping sector's CO₂ emissions by 50% by 2050 (strategy 2018, rev. in 2023).
- The EU's CO₂ emissions from maritime transport to be cut by min. 40% by 2050 from 2005 levels (EC's White Paper on transport, 2011).

Exhaust emissions harm health and environment

- Fuel sulphur max. 0.1% or scrubbers in SO_x ECAs (2015). 0.5% global limit 2020 (IMO MEPC, 2016)
- NO_x Tier III regulations (2016) for NECA new vessels
- New emissions considered (e.g. black carbon, methane)



Volume of marine fuels

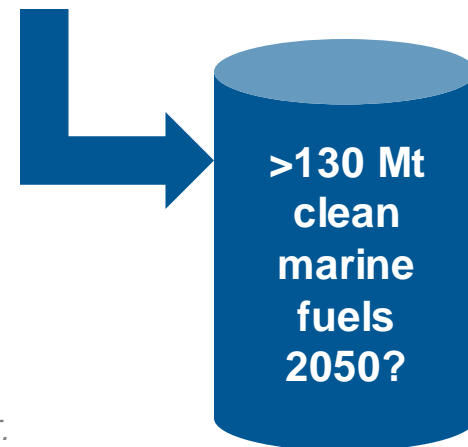
	SSD e.g. container ships, tankers (Mt)	MSD e.g. ferries, cruisers, RoRo, RoPax (Mt)	HSD small, e.g. fishing Vessels (Mt)	Total (Mt)
Residual	180.5*, 2.3**	26.2**, 0.26*	0.5**, 0.01*	210.3
Distillate	12.2*, 0.4**	20.7**, 0.5*	13.7**, 1*	49.5
LNG	0.03	2.3	0	6.5

SSD = Slow speed diesel MSD = Medium speed diesel HSD = High speed diesel

*2-stroke **4-stroke

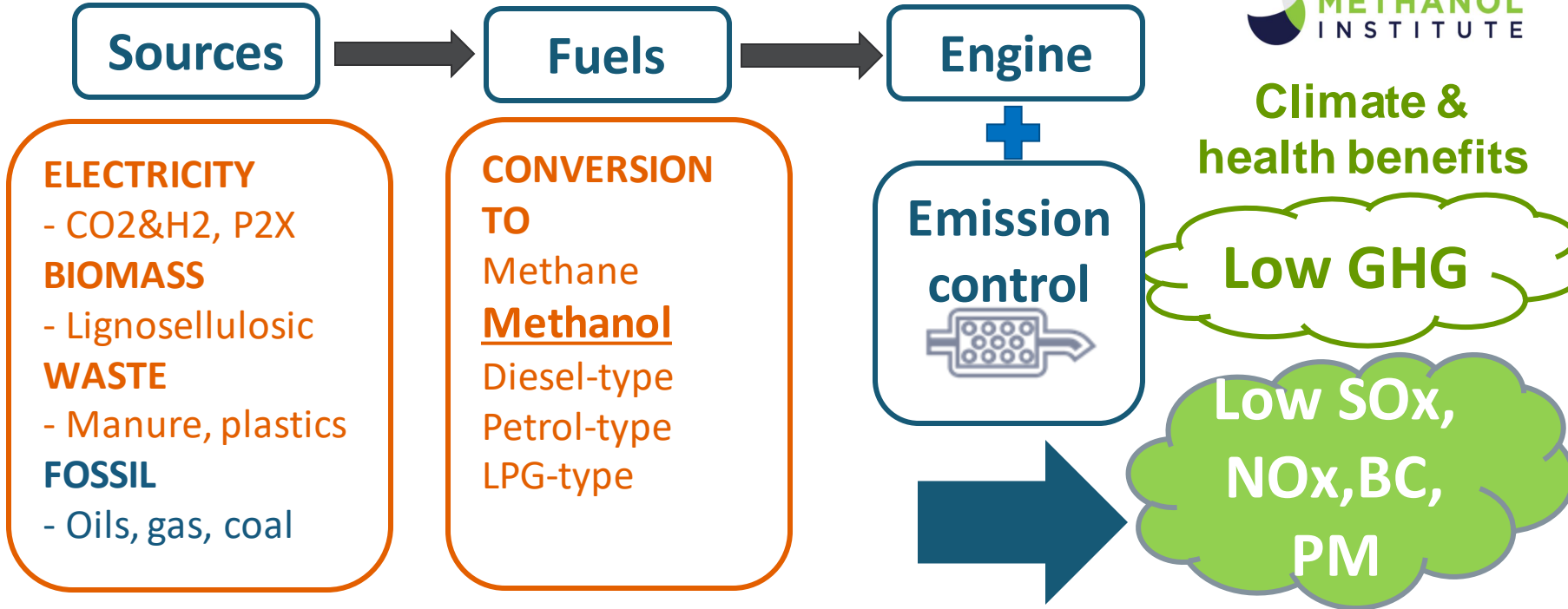
Data from Comer et al. (2017) *Black Carbon Emissions and Fuel Use in Global Shipping, 2015*, ICCT.

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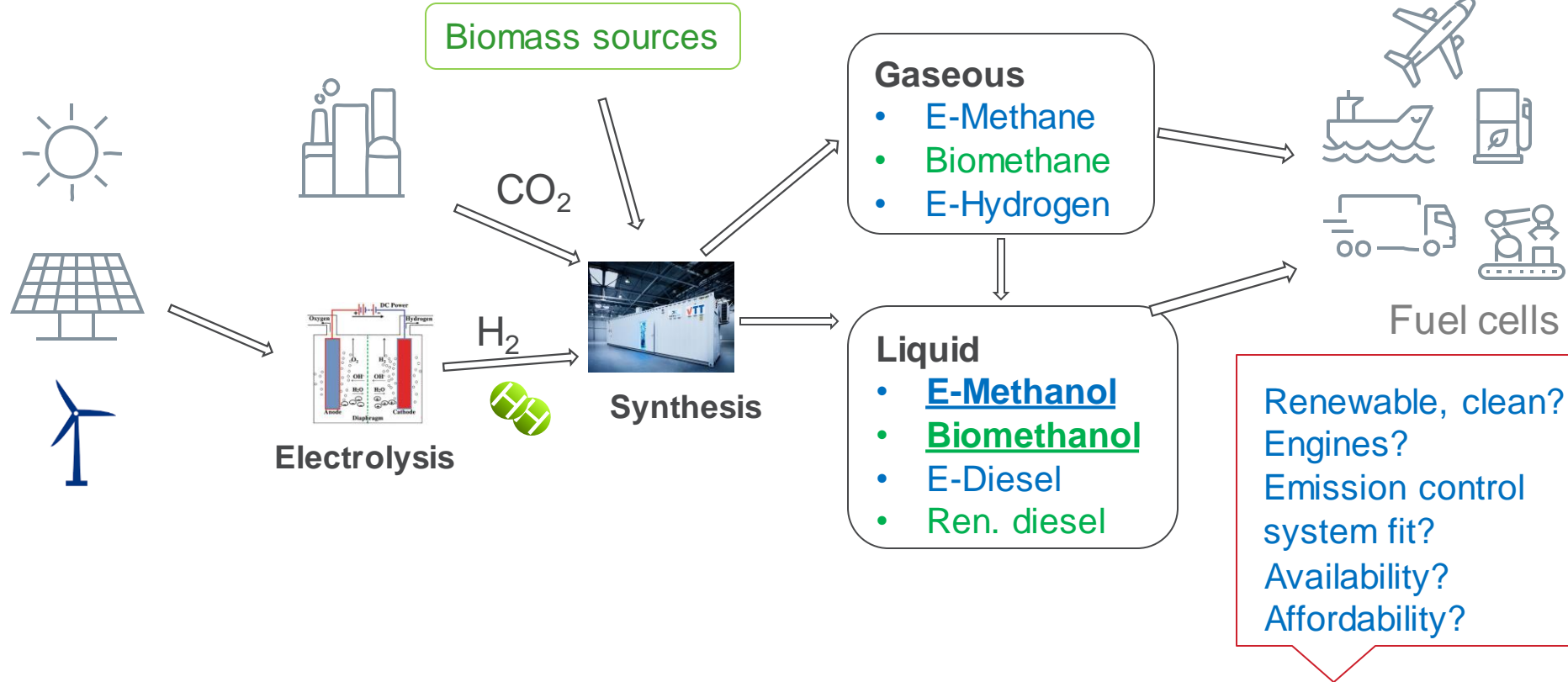
Note: Methanol production capacity is 125 Mt. 40% of demand for fuels (MTBE, FAME, DME, MTG). However, renewable methanol produced only in small scale.

Many fuel options from many sources...



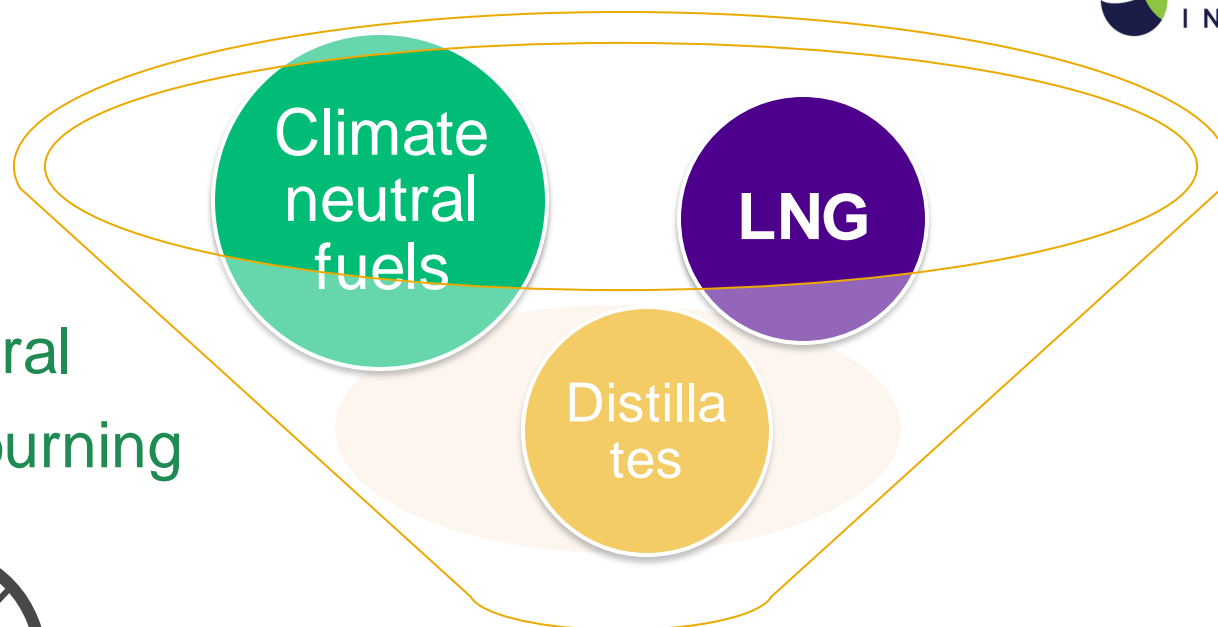
...can be clean in engines with emissions control

Biofuels and sustainable e-fuels (P2X)



Marine fuels 2050

Climate-neutral
Clean-burning



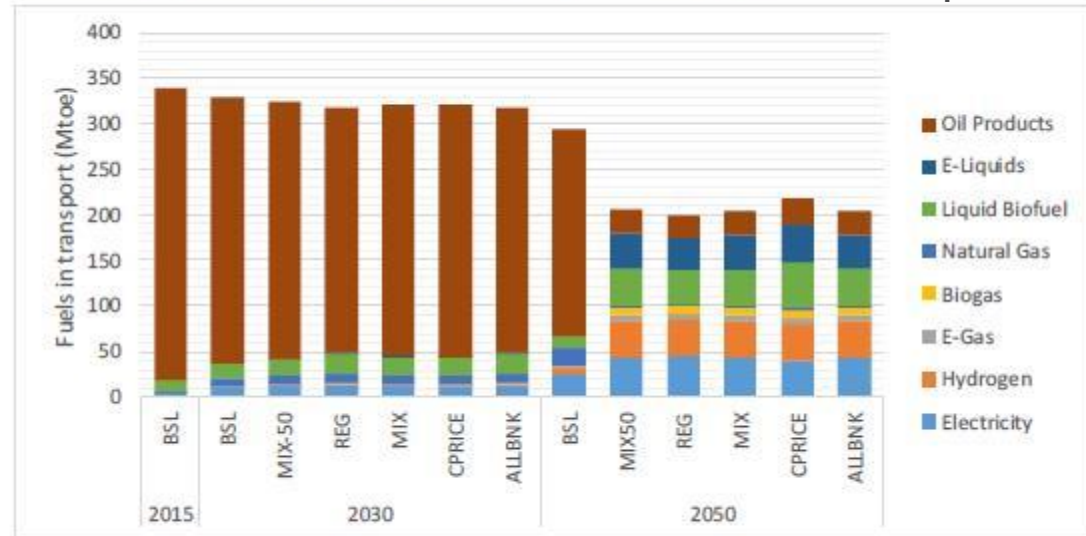
50% GHG reduction

Marine and aviation sectors most dependent on liquid fuels

- Decarbonising electricity is progressing and major steps anticipated by 2050.
- E-liquids and liquid biofuels are foreseen strong contributors e.g. in Europe in 2050 in several scenarios.
- Methanol is liquid and can be produced from biomass or sustainable electricity. Included in definitions of sustainable fuels?

Figure 63: Fuels in transport (including aviation and maritime navigation)

Europe



Source: 17.9.2020 SWD(2020) 176 final Part 2/2
Impact assessment. Stepping up Europe's 2030 climate ambition
Investing in a climate-neutral future for the benefit of our people

Source: PRIMES model

Marine engines for methanol

- Marine diesel engines in ships are mainly **large slow speed diesel engines** and **large medium speed diesel engines**. High speed diesel engines are used in smaller vessels.
- Wärtsilä and MAN methanol dual-fuel engine concepts for large diesel engines.
 - Wärtsilä methanol-diesel retrofit engine concept.
 - MAN dual-fuel methanol engine concept for new-builds.
- Methanol engines designed towards high efficiency (e.g. 42-57%) would compensate low energy content of methanol, and with ultra-low emissions (soot-free combustion).

Methanol use in shipping

- Methanol is one of the marine fuel alternatives having engines available on market.
- **Wärtsilä methanol-diesel retrofit concept:** dual-fuel technology uses diesel as a back-up fuel. Common-rail system for methanol injection, cylinder heads, fuel injectors and changes in fuel pumps. (Haraldson 2013). Used in Stena Germanica in Sweden.
- **MAN has developed dual-fuel methanol engine technology** that is used in more than ten 50,000 dwt tankers.



Picture: Stena Line



Picture: Marine Propulsion News

Dual-fuel gas-diesel concept

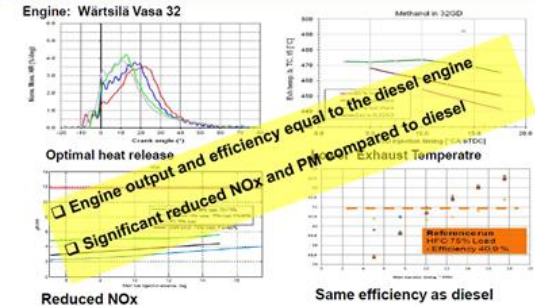
Preliminary testing example at VTT

At VTT testing with Wärtsilä Vasa 4R32
LN/GD 1.6 MW, CR 13.8:1*:

- NO_x 3-5 g/kWh (Low Tier II)
- Low PM (FSN~0,1 HFO as pilot)
- Low formaldehyde emission.
- Efficiency comparable to running on diesel.



Tests on Methanol – Initial testing of Wärtsilä MD concept



- ☐ Engine output and efficiency equal to the diesel engine
- ☐ Significant reduced NO_x and PM compared to diesel
- ☐ CO, THC acceptable (< 1 g/kWh)
- ☐ Formaldehyde emissions low ~ much below TA-luft
- ☐ No Formic acid detected in exhaust gases

* Haraldson, Lennart. Methanol as marine fuel, 19 March 2015, Helsinki.



MD95 / Scania engine concept

Potential for smaller vessels

- VTT MD95 study with Scania DC9 E02 270 EEV alcohol engine (market). 8.9 dm³, CR 28:1, 198 kW.
- MD95 blends were clean burning. Low aldehyde emissions. Particles are “liquid”-type originating from additives and assumedly removable by oxidation catalyst.
- Similar performance for MD95 and ED95 fuels.

MD95 fuels:

- Methanol, dry (80-85 wt%)
- Water (5.5 wt%)
- Ignition improvers
- Lubricity improver
- Stability additive

Renewable Methanol with Ignition Improver Additive for Diesel Engines

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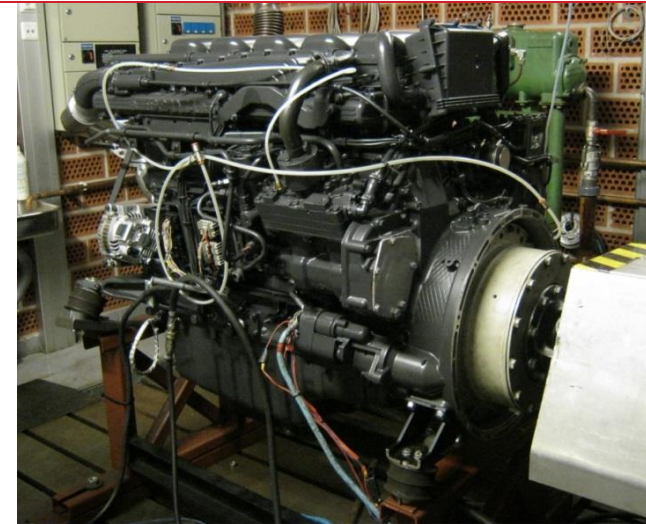
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Reduced emissions and environmental burden from shipping are an important aim of tightening emission regulations and ambitious climate change strategy. Renewable methanol produced from biomass or from other renewable sources represents one option to face these challenges. We studied the potential of renewable methanol to offer such benefits in diesel operation in a Scania ethanol engine, which is designed for additized ethanol fuel (ED95) containing ignition improver and lubricity additives. Methanol (MD95) with several types of ignition improver and lubricity additives was studied for use in diesel engines. MD95 fuels were clean-burning, emitting even less gaseous emissions than ED95, particularly when glycerol ethoxylate was used as an ignition improver. Particle mass and number emissions originating from additives in the experimental fuels could be reduced with an oxidation catalyst. Reduced additive dosing in the MD95 fuels was studied with the aid of fuel injection into the intake manifold. Overall, the results showed that the monofuel MD95 concept is a promising solution for smaller vessels equipped with 800–1200 kW engines.



^{*}) Murtonen et al., Results with Scania ethanol engine using different fuels. Copenhagen 26.2.2015. (AMF Annex 46. Nylund N-O et al. 21st ISAF Symposium, 2015.

Emissions from marine engines using methanol are low

Ship emissions review (INTENS project report)

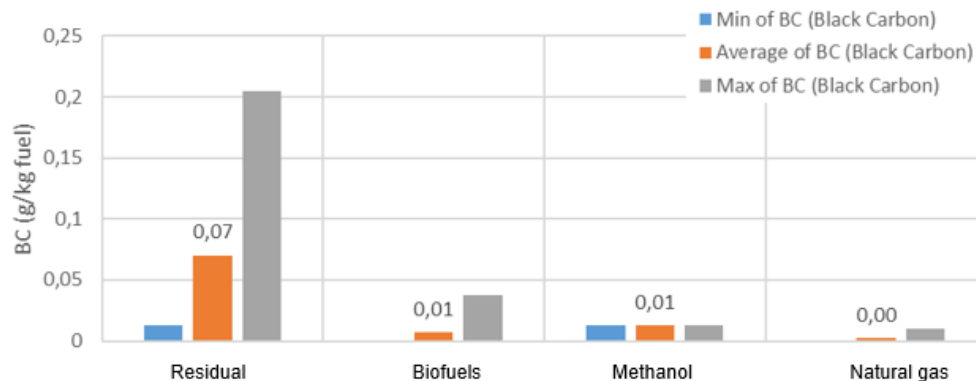
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Ship emissions in the future - review

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Confidentiality: Public



Black carbon (BC) emissions from marine engines (MSD and SSD). Engine loads >50% MCR. Example from a report of INTENS project.

INTENS project website:
<http://intens.vtt.fi/index.htm>



The sustainable marine methanol "SUMMETH" project

Focus on smaller vessels with clean methanol

- Market study of smaller vessels in NW Europe
 - Development work for smaller methanol marine engines
 - Case study design for methanol conversion of a road ferry
 - Renewable methanol supply chain investigation
- Website: www.marinemethanol.com

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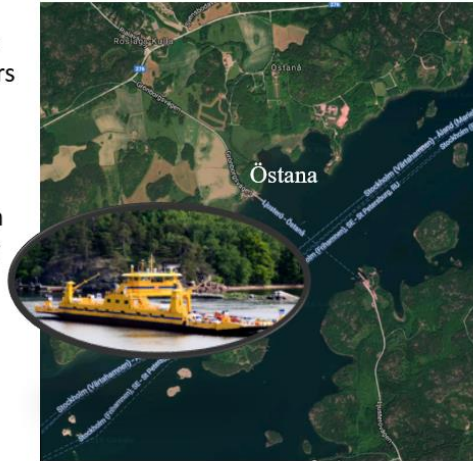
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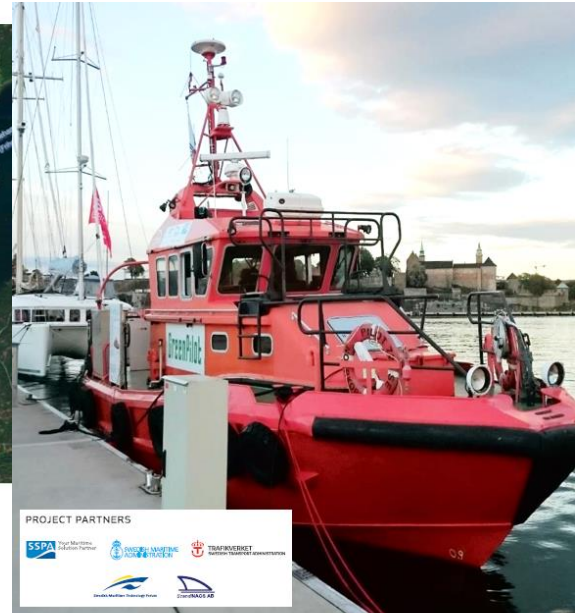
Case study of road ferry conversion

Case study: Conversion of a Swedish Road Ferry to methanol operation

- M/S Jupiter road ferry – 86 metre length, capacity for 397 passengers and 60 cars
- Currently running on diesel fuel, bunkered by truck
- Developed a methanol conversion design with recommendations for fuel storage and supply, safety systems, and bunkering
- Emissions reduction potential compared to operation on diesel fuel



Conversion design developed by project partner ScandINAOS



- Conversion of a Swedish pilot boat to run on methanol
- Two engines tested on board with methanol – using spark-ignited port fuel technology
- Fossil-free methanol produced from pulp mill black liquor was used in the tests
- On board emissions measurements verified very low particulate emissions and low NOx

New project in Sweden

Harbour tug, pilot boat, coast guard vessel



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A JOINT INITIATIVE BY LUND UNIVERSITY AND THE FASTWATER CONSORTIUM

FASTWATER consortium fast tracks commercial pathway to climate neutral methanol as marine fuel

A consortium of Europe's maritime research and technology leaders have launched the FASTWATER project to demonstrate the feasibility of retrofit and newbuild vessels to operate on methanol as a pathway to fossil-free shipping.

With funding from the European Commission, FASTWATER will focus on high impact outcomes, designing solutions for existing ships and designs for newbuildings, demonstrating methanol as a future-proof marine fuel to create a fast track to carbon neutral shipping.

Harbour tug, pilot boat, and coast guard vessel

The project aims to commercialise medium and high-speed methanol-fuelled engines for shipping. Consortium members, including original engine manufacturers, shipyards, naval architects, ship owners/operators, port and maritime authorities, classification, fuel producers, and research institutes, will demonstrate feasibility on three vessels running on methanol fuel: a harbour tug, a pilot boat, and a coast guard vessel.

PARTNERS:



Inland waterways – Greenfuel project example

MS innogy fuel cell system

- Demonstration of methanol from CO₂ (from air), green electricity and water, for use in the vessel MS innogy and in cars.
- MS innogy fuel cell system (35kW) and battery pack. The FCs are range extenders.
- Waste heat from fuel cells for methanol reformation → high electrical efficiency 40-50%.
- No harmful air emissions, and system is CO₂-neutral, low noise and vibrations.
- Knowledge and experience gained from the Pa-X-ell test program (methanol FC on a cruise ship; electricity for the ship's power grid.)

Methanol Fuel Cell Powered Passenger Ferry Sets Sail



BY THE MARITIME EXECUTIVE 08-28-2017 07:28:15

The MS innogy, the first vessel in Germany to be powered by methanol fuel cells, was named on Friday. The passenger ferry, which will sail on Lake Baldeneysee, Essen, features a fuel cell system manufactured by the Danish fuel cell manufacture SerEnergy.

High-Pressure Direct Injection (HP-DI) of Methanol with Diesel Pilot

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HP-DI methanol, non-premixed dual-fuel (DF)

- DF engine, specially designed cylinder head. Centrally located methanol injector.
- 1500 rpm, CR 16.5. Control of methanol inj. duration.
- IMEP 4.2-13.8bar, methanol substitution (MSR) 45-95%.
- E.g. with MSR 95%, stable combustion due to high IMEP. HC emissions dropped from 26 g/kWh to 0.6 g/kWh.

Conclusions

Early fuel injection has advantages in the DI methanol DF engine. High IMEP (high engine load), high MSR and early fuel injection promising for methanol utilization, combustion stability and emissions.

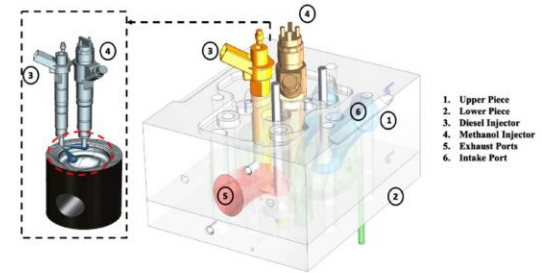
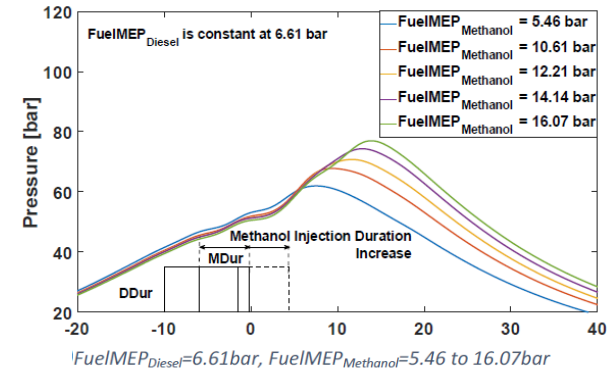
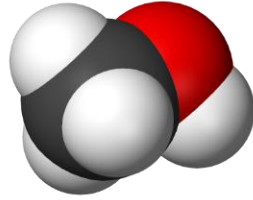


Fig. 1: Two-injector, Three-valve Cylinder Head Design



Methanol pros

Methanol cons



Pros

- Methanol is **liquid fuel**.
- Methanol is already **used for fuels**.
- **Can be of biomass or P2X origin**.
- **Marine methanol engines on market**
- **Low emission** combustion.
- Simple structure **enables design of high efficiency engines**.
- Methanol is **biodegradable**.
- **Tanks can be in the double bottom**.
- Methanol can be **safer than gasoline**.

Cons

- Low heating value.
- Safety issues (toxic like traditional fuels, flammable, burns with invisible flame)
- Possible formaldehyde emission (removed by oxidation catalyst).
- Alcohol compatible materials needed due to corrosion risk.
- Methanol is not soluble in diesel*.

*) Soluble in gasoline with co-solvents.

Renewable methanol offers potential to reduce both climate burden and health risks of shipping

- Liquid fuel option for marine engines
- Low GHG emissions when of renewable origin.
- Low SO_x, NO_x, PM and BC emissions.
- Methanol can be used in ICEs and fuel cells.