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MetCCUS: Metrology support for Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage

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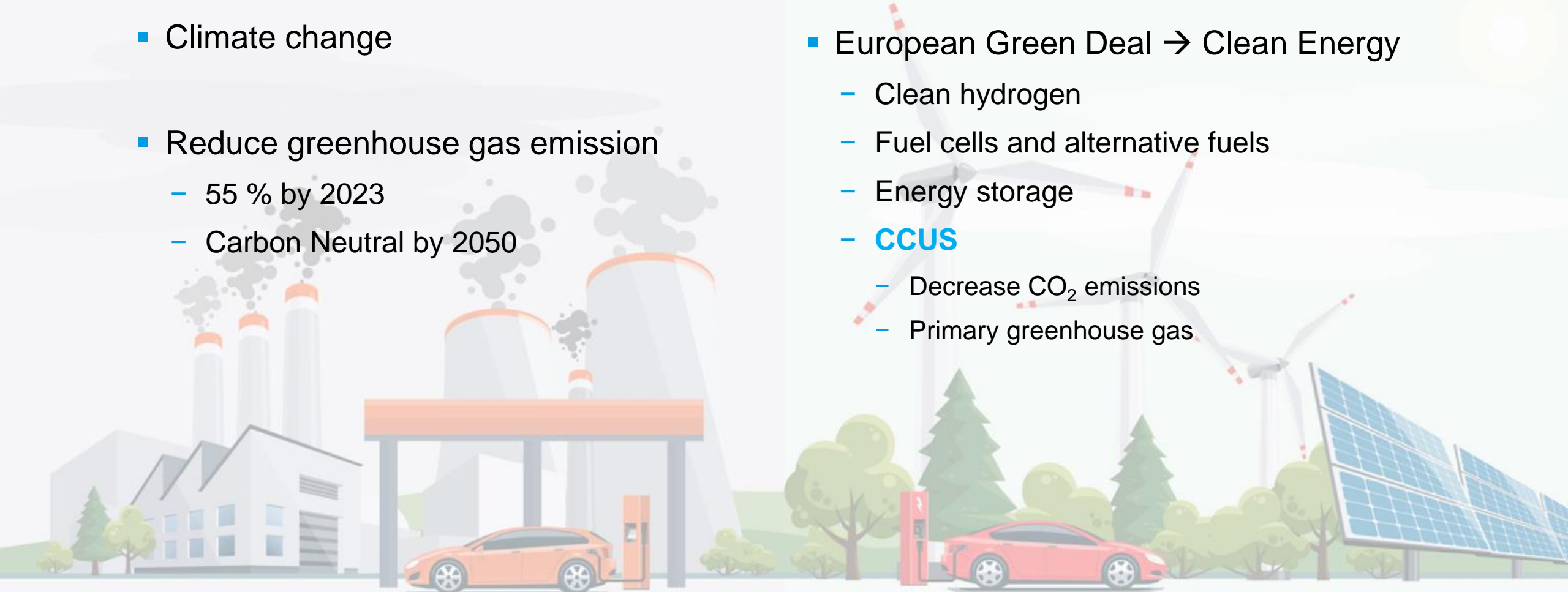
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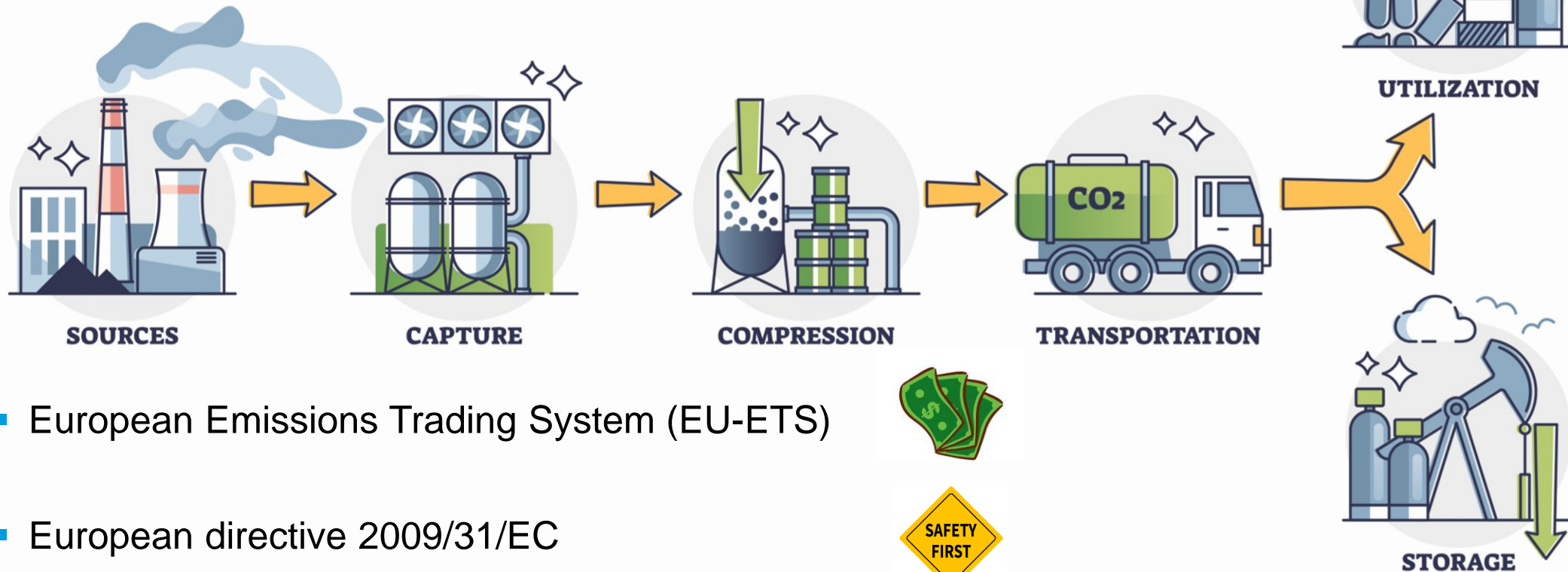
METCCUS

Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage (CCUS)

- Climate change
- Reduce greenhouse gas emission
 - 55 % by 2023
 - Carbon Neutral by 2050
- European Green Deal → Clean Energy
 - Clean hydrogen
 - Fuel cells and alternative fuels
 - Energy storage
 - **CCUS**
 - Decrease CO₂ emissions
 - Primary greenhouse gas



CARBON CAPTURE



Metrology support for CCUS

- 1 October 2022 – 30 September 2025
- 21 participants

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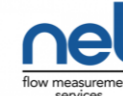
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CCUS measurement challenges

Flow metering



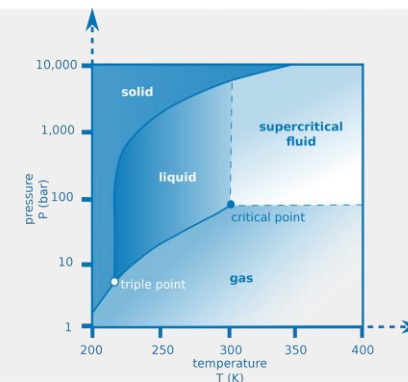
Emission monitoring



Chemical metrology



Physical properties



Flow metering

Gas flow

- Metrology infrastructure for monitoring CO₂ flow
 - < 50 m³/h and low pressure
 - Up to 400 m³/h and higher pressure
- Primary and transfer standards
 - Intercomparison
 - Theoretical investigate the impact of impurities on transfer standards
 - Uncertainty 1.5 % - 2.5 %

Liquid flow

- Study to determine the current state of the art of traceable liquid CO₂ flow measurement and liquid CO₂ primary standard requirements → <https://zenodo.org/records/11118645>

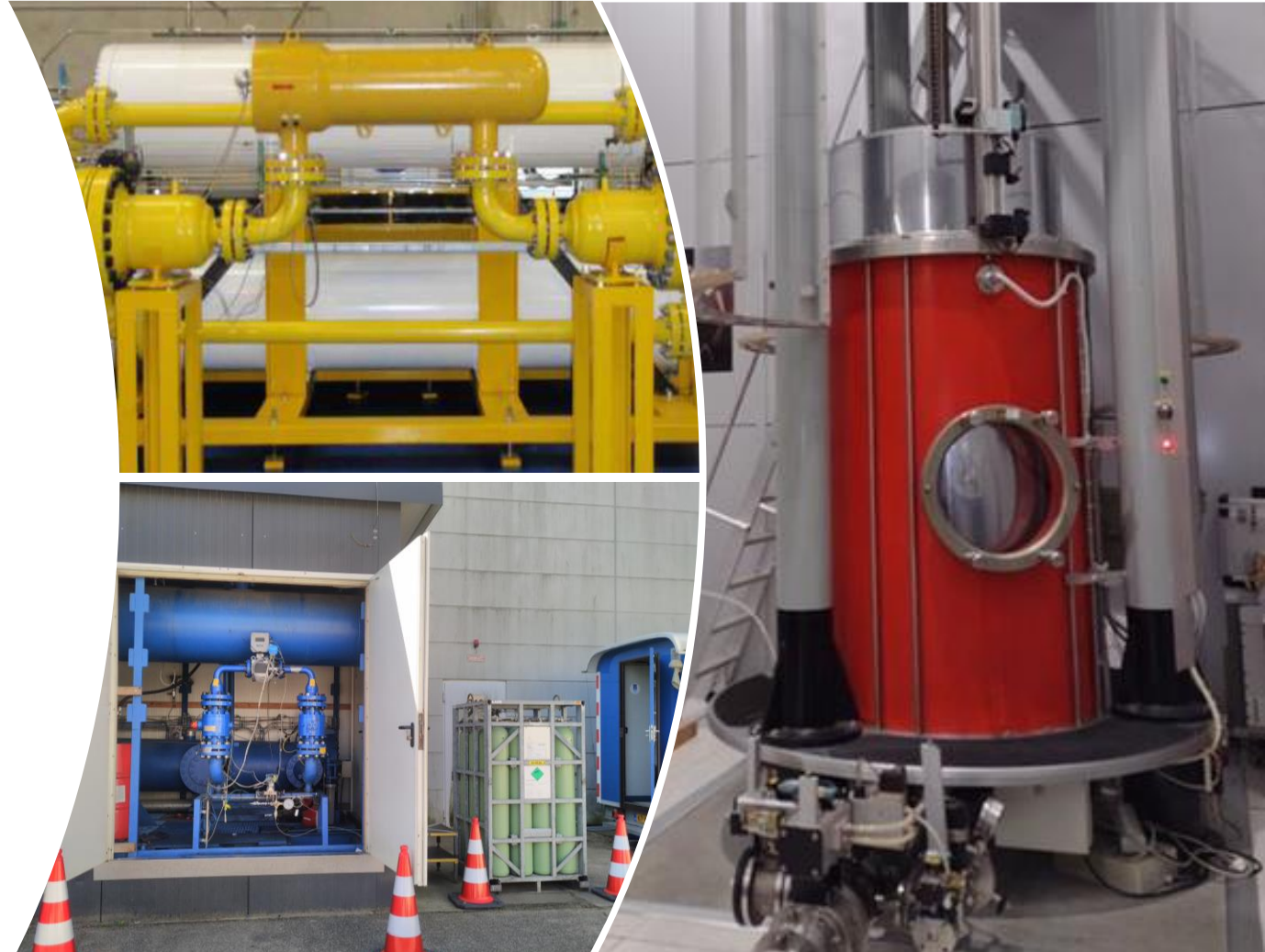
CCS fiscal metering

- Good practice guide



Flow metering – primary calibration facilities

- Primary facilities for gaseous CO₂
 - < 50 m³/h and atmospheric – 0.3 MPa
 - Up to 400 m³/h and up to 20 MPa
- Validation and transferability between CO₂ and N₂ experiments are finalized
- Intercomparison of the different facilities started

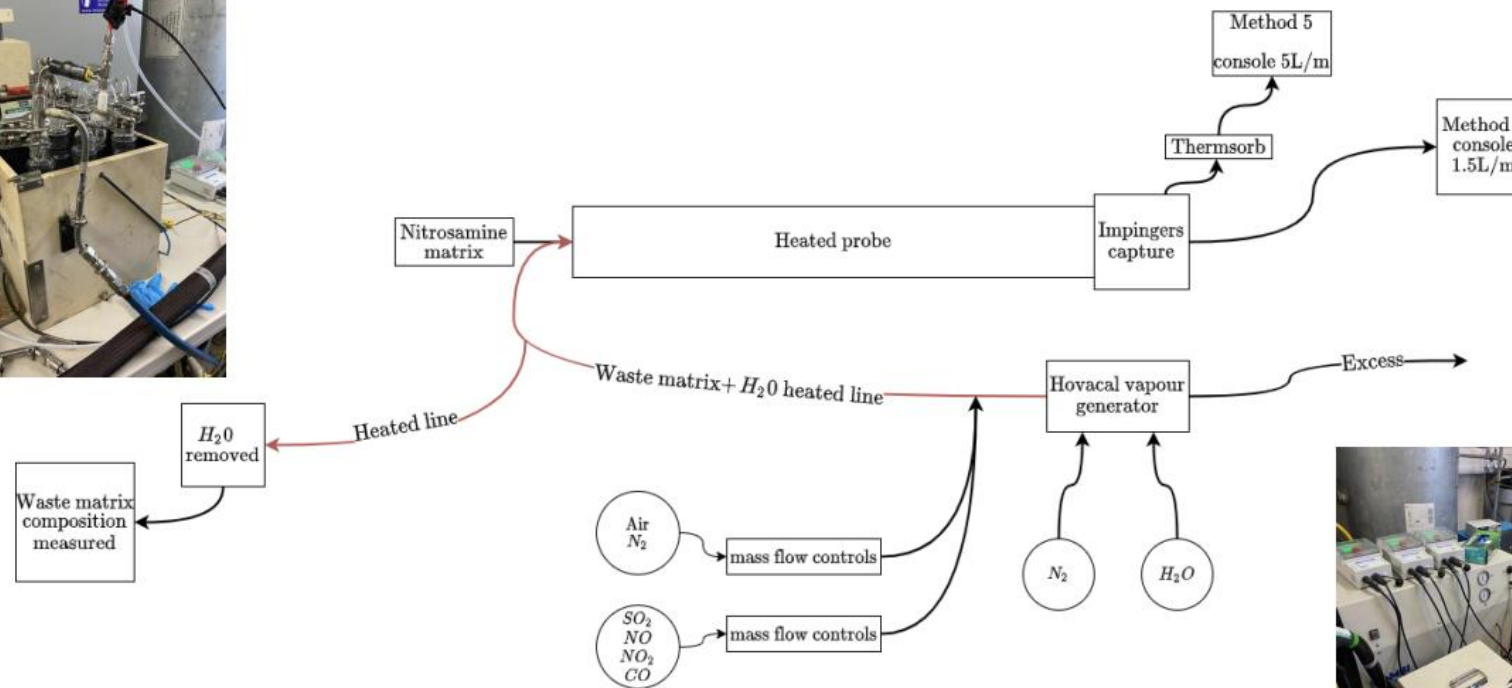


Emission monitoring

- Review requirements for monitoring **pollutants in CO₂** in the **emission from ducts and flues** from carbon capture processes
 - Focus on pollutants from **amine capture** → gas matrix and methods for monitoring nitrosamines/amines have been identified → facilities have been developed to generate test matrices to test monitoring methods
- Review **performance requirements** for the **detection of CO₂**, including leak monitoring techniques based on EN 1779.
- **Detection and quantification** of **CO₂ emissions** from **geological storage**
 - Isotopic measurements
 - Addition of tracers
 - Use of acoustic techniques

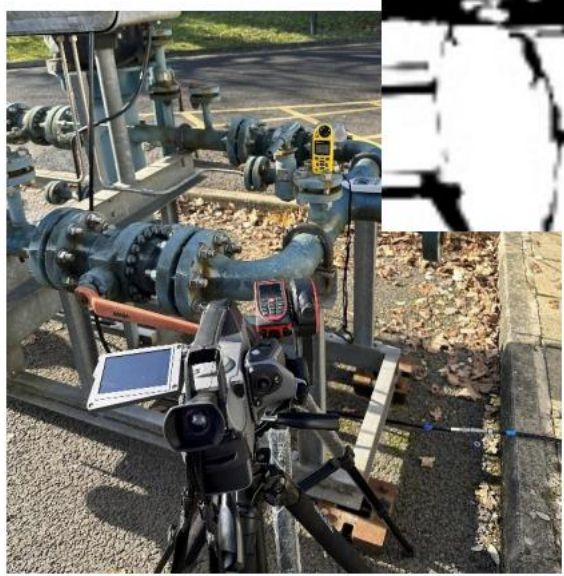
Emission monitoring - Nitrosamines

- Methods for monitoring nitrosamines
 - Sorbent trap method – dilution to dry sample
 - Wet chemistry based on EN1479 Thermo-sorb – sulfamic acid impinger solution

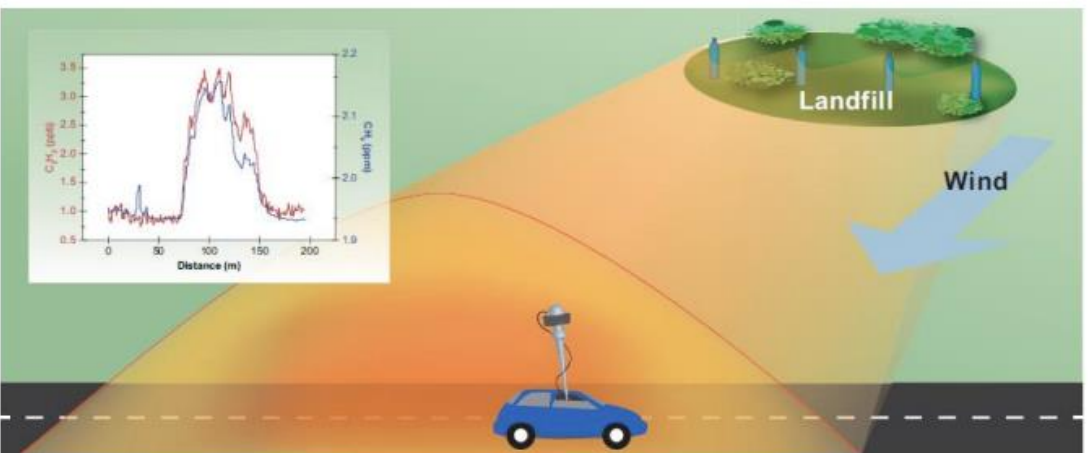


Leak detection

- Controlled Release Facility modified to produce CO₂ leaks
 - used to access CO₂ imaging camera



- Tracer correlation methods



- Subsea leakage → review of acoustic techniques → [link](#)

Chemical metrology

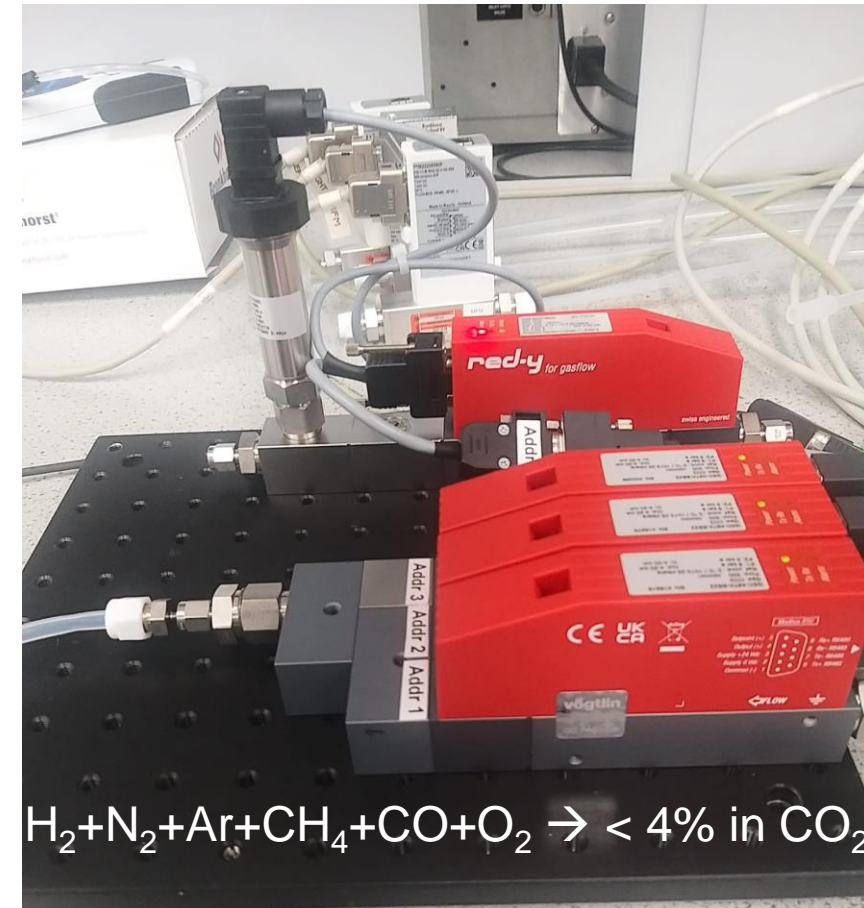
- **Primary reference materials** for impurities in CO₂ → <https://zenodo.org/records/8421450>
 - Key impurities e.g.; H₂O, NO_x, sulphur compounds, hydrocarbons, alcohols and amines
 - Permanent gases: O₂, Ar, N₂, CH₄, CO, H₂
- Material compatibility for **CO₂ sampling** → <https://zenodo.org/records/8421721>
- **Online CO₂ monitoring**
 - Development and validation of online methods
 - Round Robin Test for the measurement of impurities in CO₂
- **Offline analytical methods** for CO₂ quality
 - CO₂ capture, transport and storage
 - CO₂ conversion, utilisation and recycling

Chemical metrology – primary reference materials

Static gas mixtures (ISO 6142)



Dynamic gas mixtures (ISO 6145)

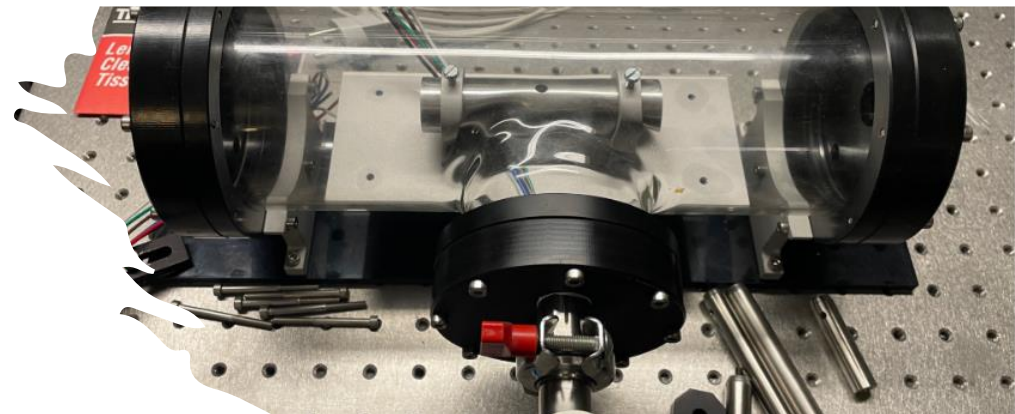
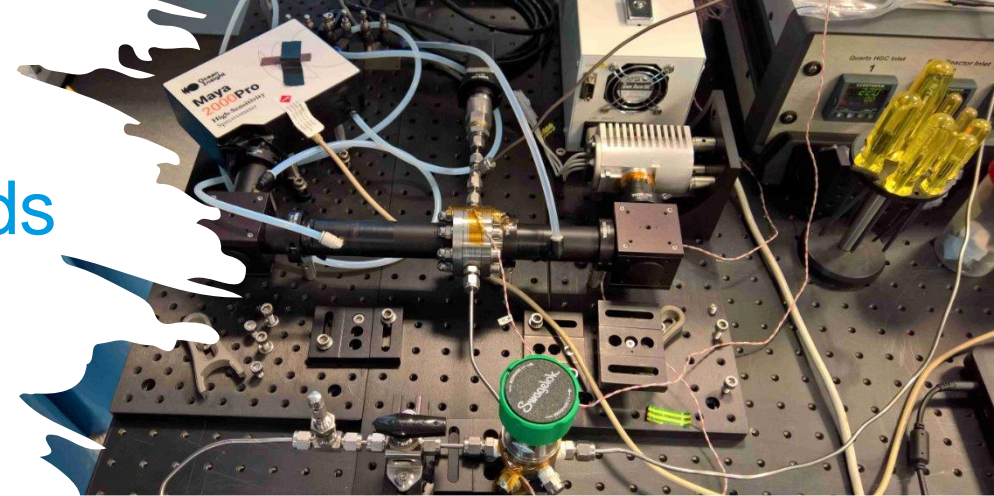


Chemical metrology – CO₂ sampling

Component	Amount fraction (μmol/mol)	Restek Multifoil	Restek Altek	Calibrated Instruments Inc Cali5Bond	Airborne Labs True Blue 2LT
Methanol	4-8	Stable at least 30 days (loss < 20% after D50)	Concentration decreases quickly with time	25-35% loss D1, then stable	Concentration decreases with time
	10-15	Stable at least 30 days (loss < 20% after D50)	Concentration decreases quickly with time	25-35% loss D1, then stable	Concentration decreases with time
Acetaldehyde	0.5	Stable at least D30			More than 20% loss D30
	1	Stable at least D30			15% loss D30
	4-8	Stable at least D30			
	10-15	Stable at least D30			
Ethanol	4-8	20-25% loss D50. Analysis before D10	Concentration decreases quickly with time	35% loss D4, then stable	20-25% loss D50. Analysis before D10
	10-15	20-25% loss D50. Analysis before D10		35% loss D4, then stable	
Acetone	4-8	Max 15% loss D50	Concentration decreases quickly with time	Stable at least D7	Max 15% loss D50
	10-20	Max 15% loss D50		Stable at least D7	Max 15% loss D50
Benzene	0.3 – 2	Not compatible as benzene adsorbs on the walls	Stable at least D4		Stable at least D20 but recovery at D0 unknown
	7	Not compatible as benzene adsorbs on the walls			
Hydrogen sulphide	Ca 2			100% loss D30. Analysis before D5	
	Ca 10			50% loss D30. Analysis before D5	
	Ca 20			35% loss D30. Analysis before D5	
	Ca 40			20% loss D30	
	Ca 60			15% loss D30	
	Ca 100			Less than 10% loss D30	

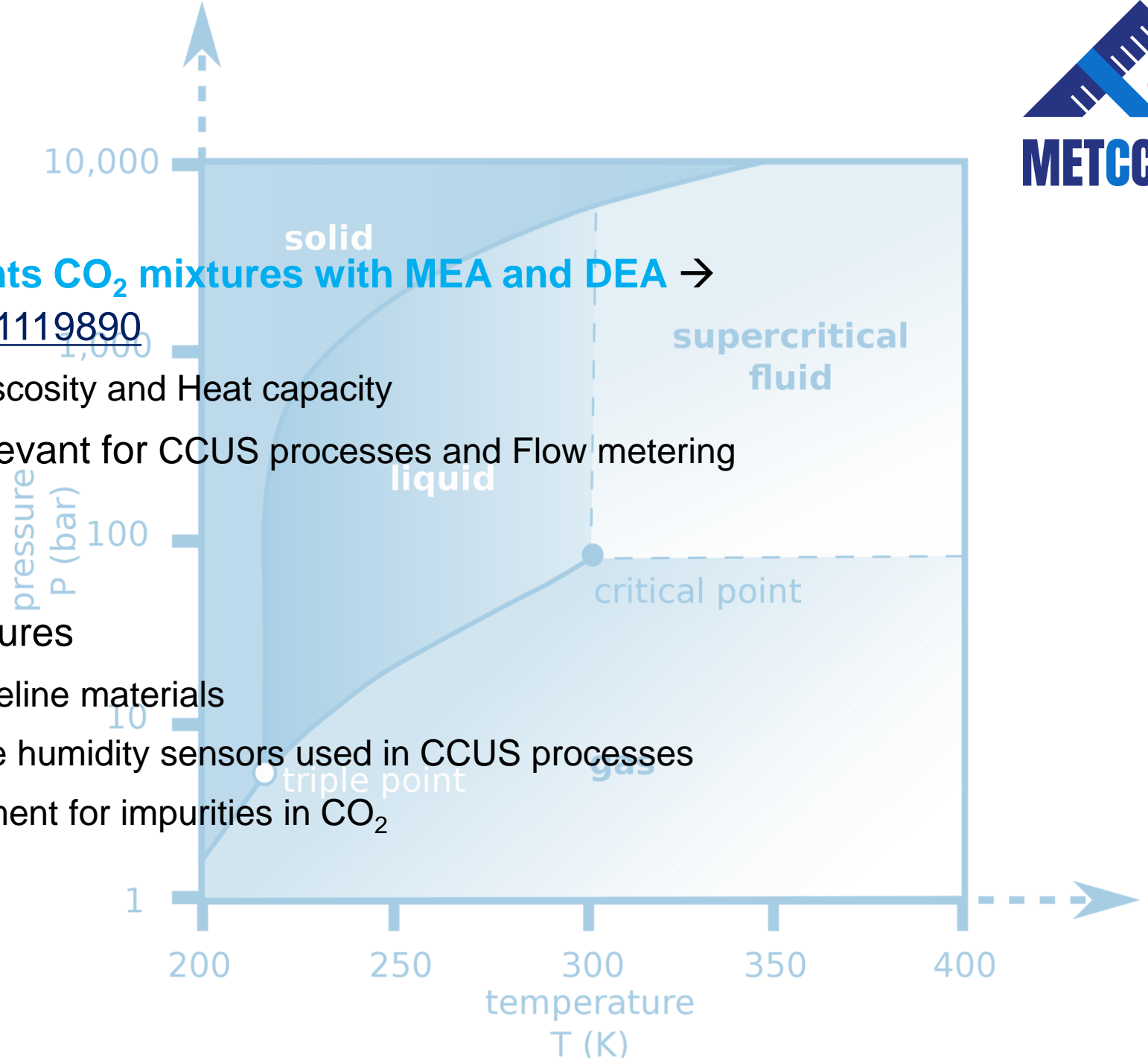
Chemical metrology – monitoring methods

- Photoacoustic spectroscopy for leak and purity monitoring
- Gas sampling and (far-UV)/FTIR-based analyser
- Demonstration at an industrial site
- Round robin for gas analysis capabilities of new and commercial monitoring methods against primary reference materials



Physical properties

- **Experimental measurements CO₂ mixtures with MEA and DEA →**
<https://zenodo.org/records/11119890>
 - Density, Speed of sound, Viscosity and Heat capacity
- Equation of state models relevant for CCUS processes and Flow metering
 - EoS-CG 2019
 - GERG-2008
- Monitoring CCUS infrastructures
 - Corrosion testing of CO₂ pipeline materials
 - Calibration method for online humidity sensors used in CCUS processes
 - Online measurement equipment for impurities in CO₂



Physical properties

Vibrating tube densimeter

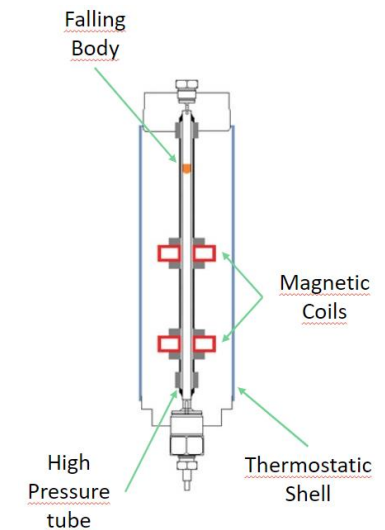
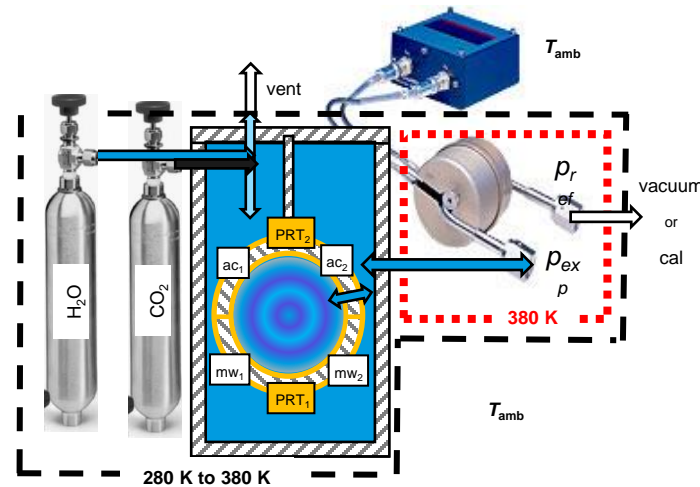
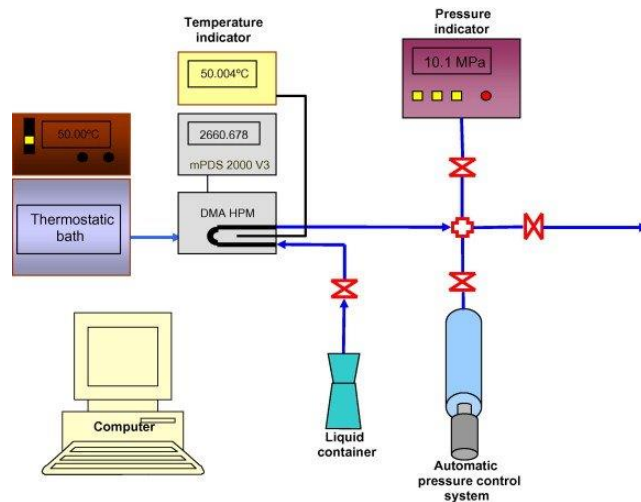
Acoustic/microwave resonator

Falling body viscometer

Density
(200 to 425) K
140 MPa

Speed of sound ($x\text{CO}_2 + (1-x)\text{H}_2\text{O}$)
(280 to 380) K
5 MPa

Viscosity
(200 to 425) K
140 MPa



Conclusion

- Developments in MetCCUS
 - Primary standards and reference materials
 - Calibration and measurement methods
 - Good practice guides
 - Literature reviews & peer reviewed articles
- Support
 - CCUS industry to comply with EU ETS and Directives
 - Track the amount of carbon
 - Safe operation of CCUS technologies
 - Development of key documentary standards, specifications and regulation
 - Effective implementation of CCUS technologies
 - CCUS industry to become carbon neutral and overcome climate change

Thank you for your attention

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