

# Stationary and Mobile Applications with Fuel Cell Technology

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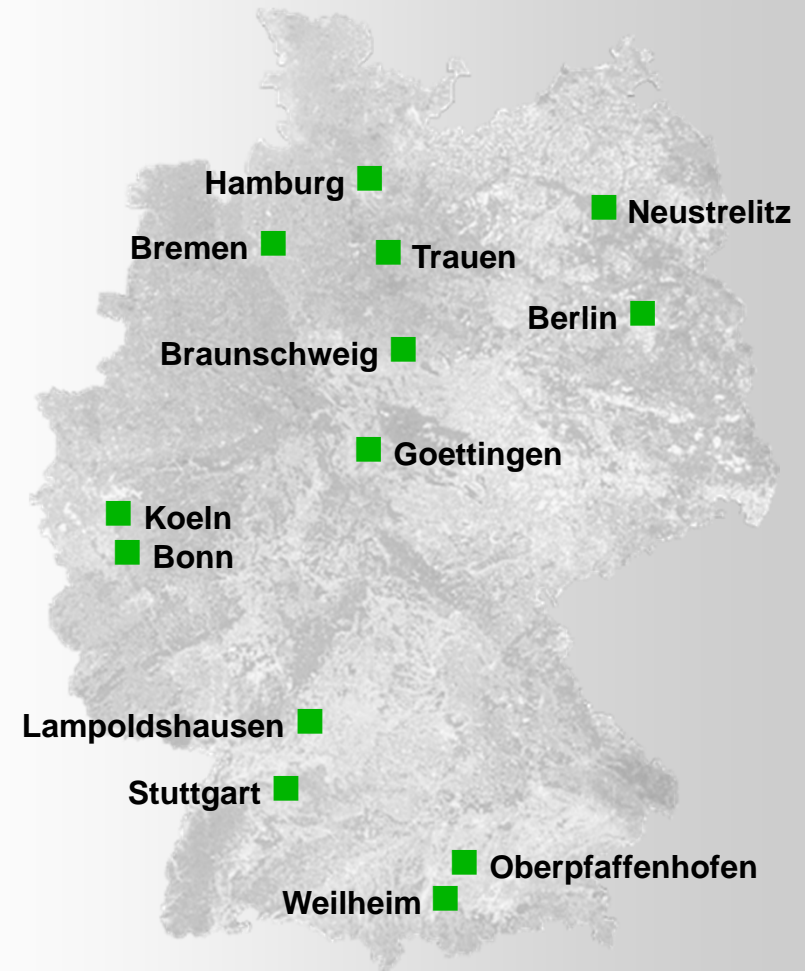


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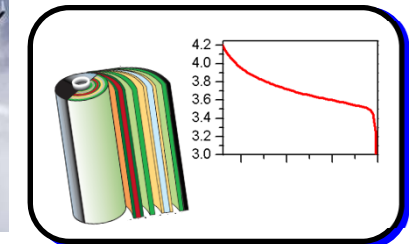
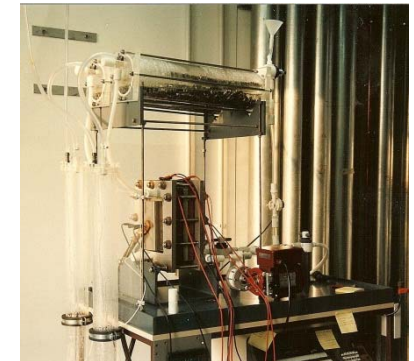
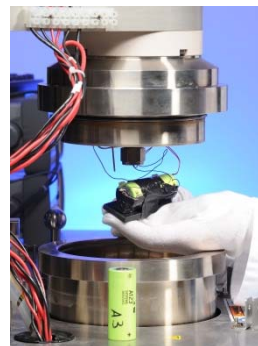
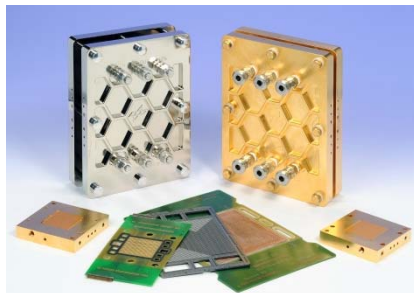
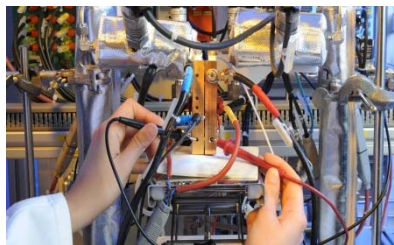
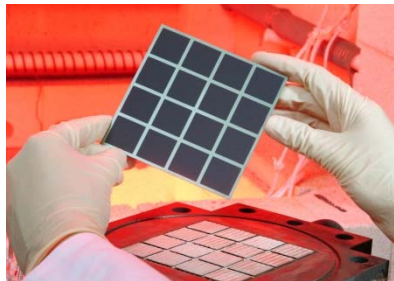
# Section Electrochemical Energy Technology

## Fundamentals

## Systems

Electrochemical Energy Technology:

- Electrolysis (intermittent Alkaline, Polymer and Solid Oxide Electrolysis)
- Fuel Cells (PEFC, SOFC, DMFC)
- Battery technology (Lithium) since 2009



# Content

- Introduction to mobile and stationary applications
- Electromobility with hydrogen PEM fuel cells and batteries
- Hybridization of power trains
- Fuel cell technology for transport
- Main system components
- Stationary applications of PEM fuel cells
- Residential application / demonstration programs
- State of art in Japan, Germany, USA
- Backup power application



## Challenges for the 21st Century

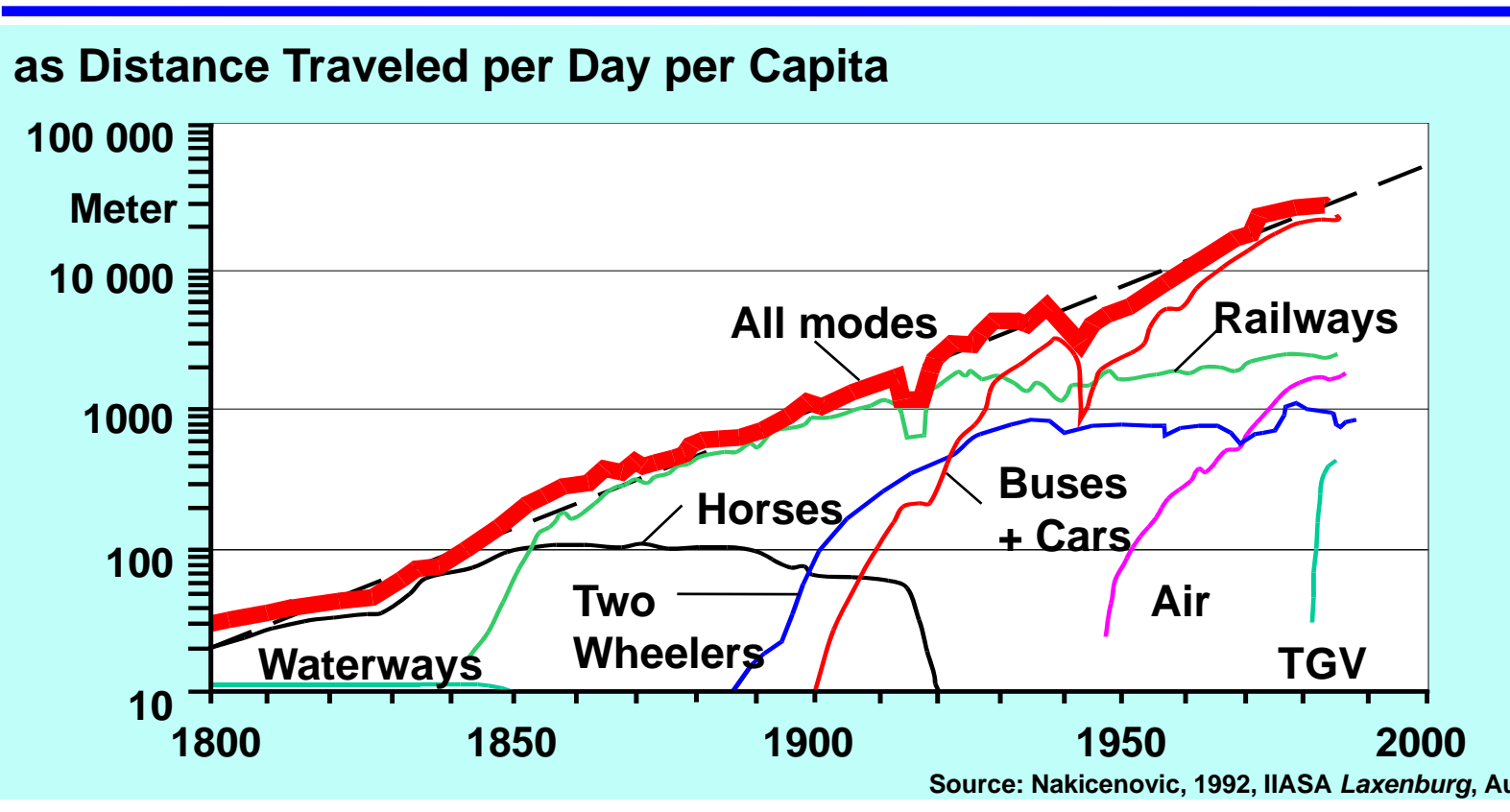
- Environmental pollution and climate change
- Alarming increase of energy consumption due to world population growth
- Increase of competition for usage of available arable land
- Geopolitical dependencies will increase
- Efficient utilization of fossil and renewable energies
- Competitiveness of national industries
- Securement of jobs and creation of new jobs with innovative products



**Global driver for electromobility and high efficiencies**



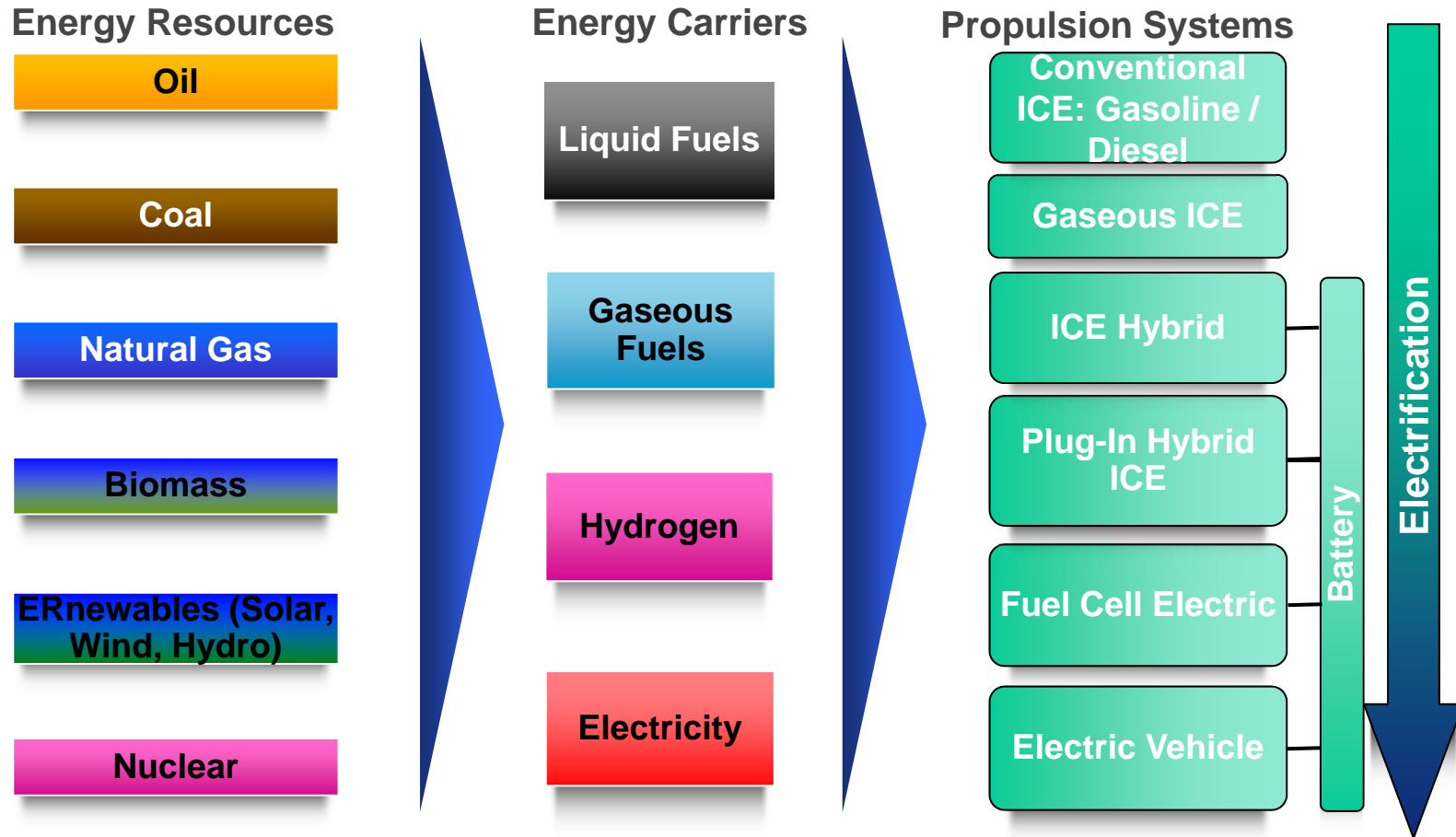
# Growth of Mobility



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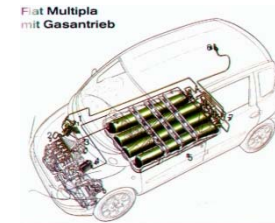
# Energy and Powertrain Alternatives





## Automobile Vehicle Concepts

- **Internal Combustion Engine Gasoline/Diesel**
  - + High range, high power, expertise, infrastructure
  - Nitrous oxides, carbon dioxide, efficiency improvements potentials
- **Internal Combustion Engine Natural Gas**
  - + Low emissions
  - Large tanks, inadequate infrastructure
- **Hybrid power train**
  - + low emissions, large range
  - Komplex system, high mass
- **Electric power train with batteries**
  - + Locally emission-free
  - geringe Reichweite, hohes Gewicht, Ladezeit
- **Electric power train with fuel cells**
  - + High efficiency, better range, low emissions
  - Complex technology, infrastructure

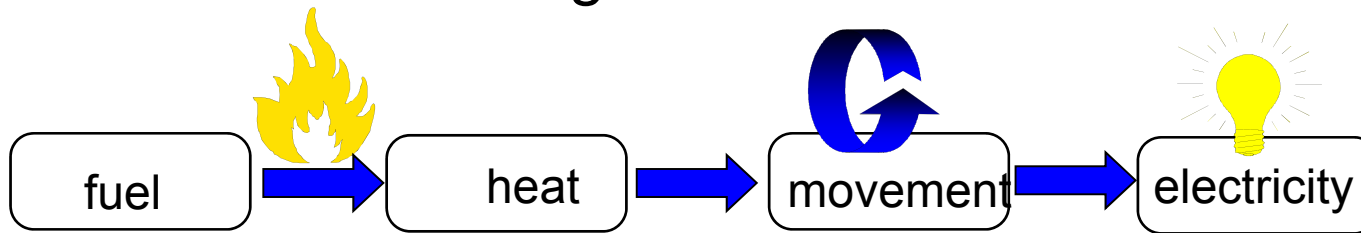


## Efficiencies

### Typical car efficiency (Tank to Wheel):

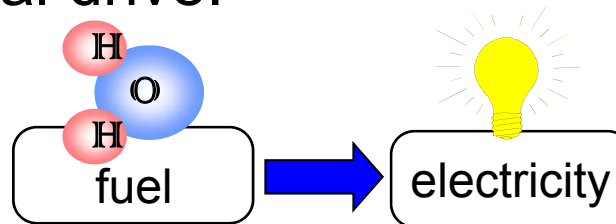
- Internal combustion engine:

**20 – 25 %**



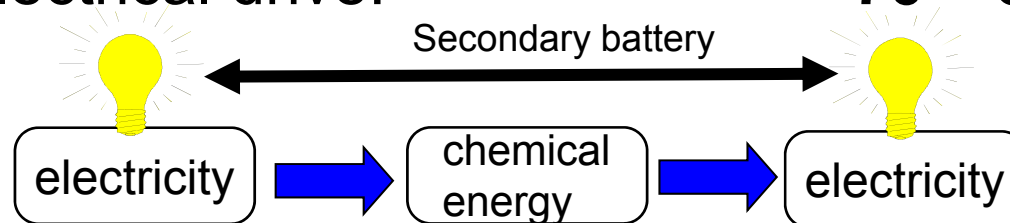
- Fuel cell electrical drive:

**40 – 50 %**



- Battery electrical drive:

**70 – 80 %**



## Historical development of electric cars

### Early Years of Electric Cars: 1890 - 1930

- First electric vehicle invented in 1828
- Many innovations followed
- The interest in electric cars increased greatly in the late 1890s and early 1900s
- First real and practical electric car (with capacity for passengers) designed by William Morrison
- 1902 Phaeton built by the Woods Motor Vehicle Company of Chicago



**Figure:** 1902 Wood's Electric Phaeton  
(Inventors, <http://inventors.about.com/od/estartinventions/a/History-Of-Electric-Vehicles.htm>,  
7.5. 2011).



## Historical development of electric cars

### Decline of Electric Cars: 1930 – 1990

- The electric car declined in popularity because of the following reasons:
  - Better system of roads → need for longer-range vehicles
  - Reduction in price of gasoline → gasoline was affordable to the average consumer
  - Invention of the electric starter disposed of the need for the hand crank.
  - Initiation of mass production of internal combustion engine vehicles by Henry Ford.

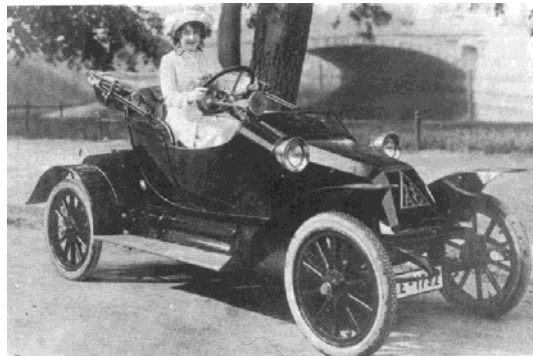


# Electric Automobile Vehicles around 1900



Columbia, 1901,  
Electric Vehicle  
Company

Electric Hotel  
Bus

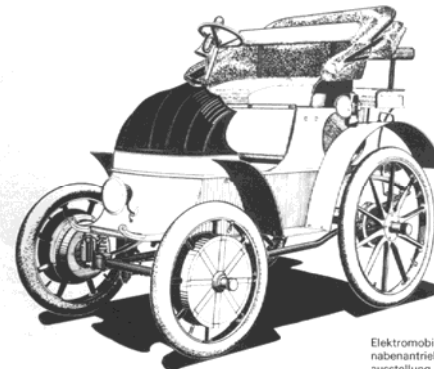


Electric Car NAG  
(Neue Automobilgesellschaft mbH)  
1903

Quelle: Ledjeff, Energie für Elektroautos



Baker Electric Vehicle, 1912



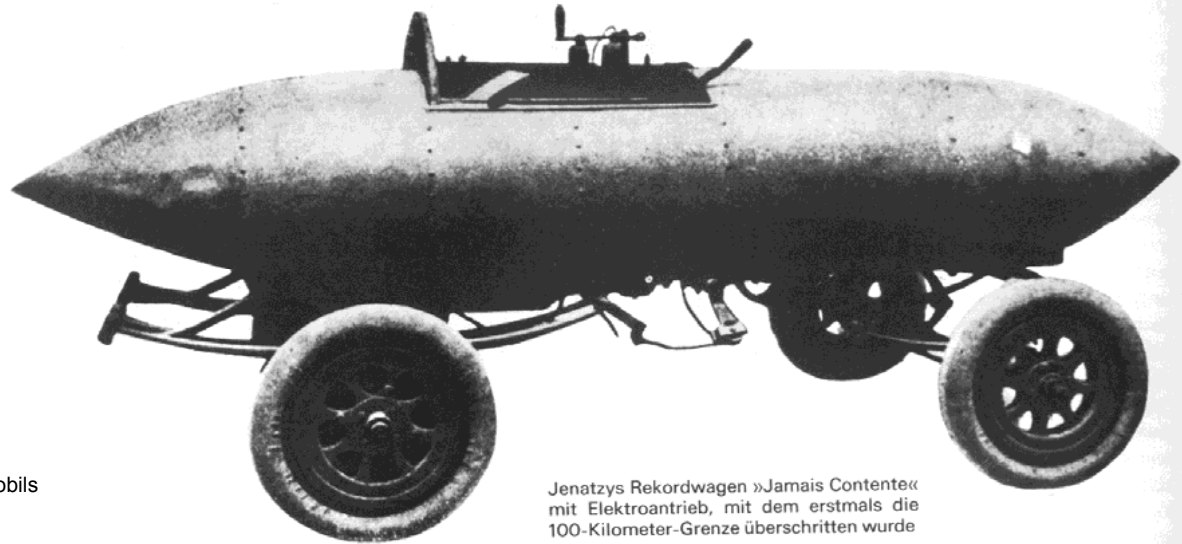
Elektromobil System Lohner-Porsche mit Radnabenantrieb, vorgestellt auf der Pariser Weltausstellung 1900

Lohner-Porsche Electric Vehicle  
With in-wheel drive, 1900

Source: Frankenberg, Geschichte des Automobils



## Speed record around 1900



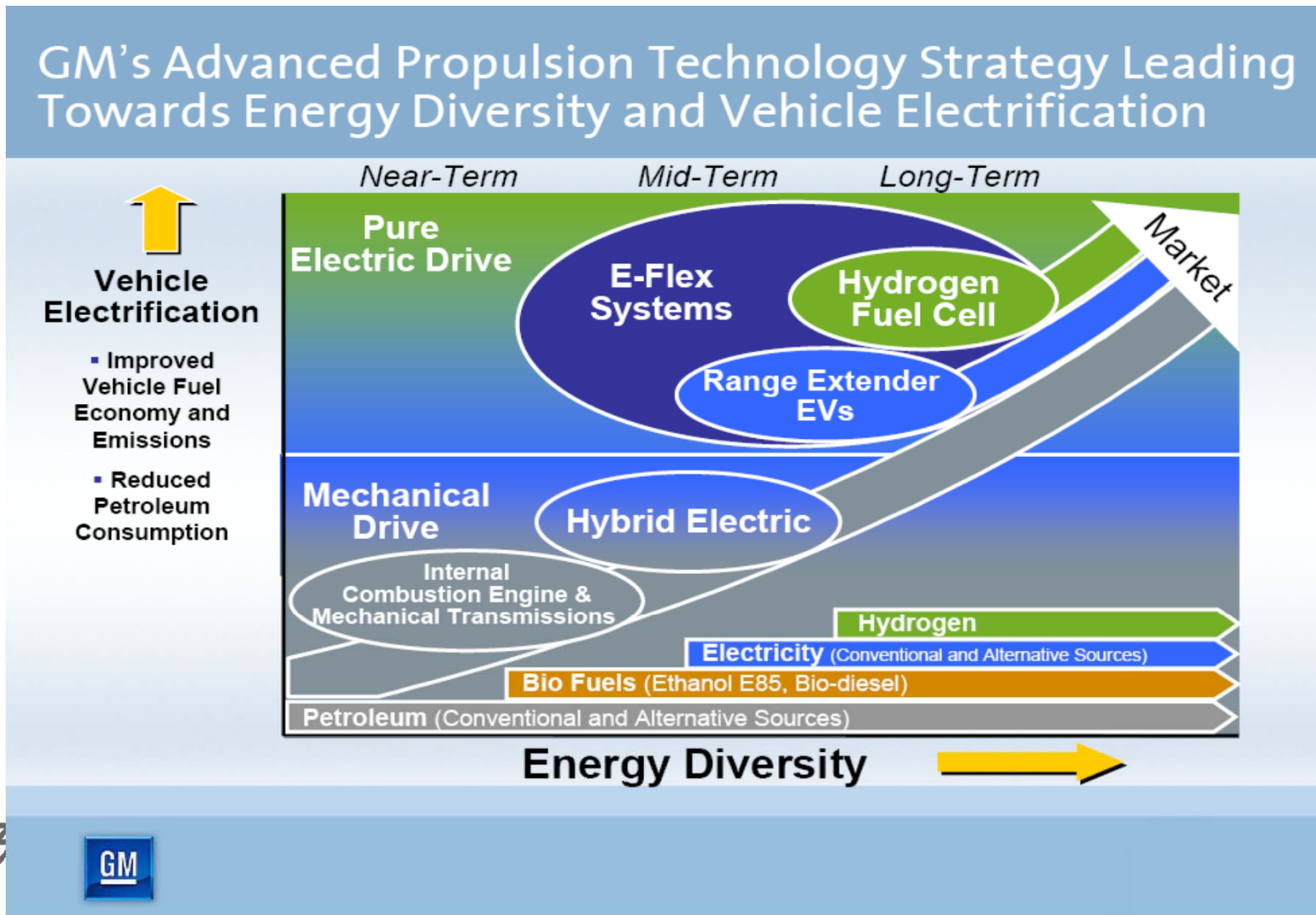
Source: Frankenberg, Geschichte des Automobils

Jenatzys Rekordwagen »Jamais Contente« mit Elektroantrieb, mit dem erstmals die 100-Kilometer-Grenze überschritten wurde

Date	Driver	Car	Place	Record km/h
Elektrische Antriebe 1898/99				
18. 12. 1898	G. de Chasseloup-Laubat	Jeantaud	Achères	63,149
17. 1. 1899	C. Jenatzy	Jenatzy	Achères	66,657
17. 1. 1899	G. de Chasseloup-Laubat	Jeantaud	Achères	70,310
27. 1. 1899	C. Jenatzy	Jenatzy	Achères	80,336
4. 3. 1899	G. de Chasseloup-Laubat	Jeantaud	Achères	92,696
29. 4. 1899	C. Jenatzy	Jenatzy	Achères	105,876



# Automotive Roadmaps (GM as example)



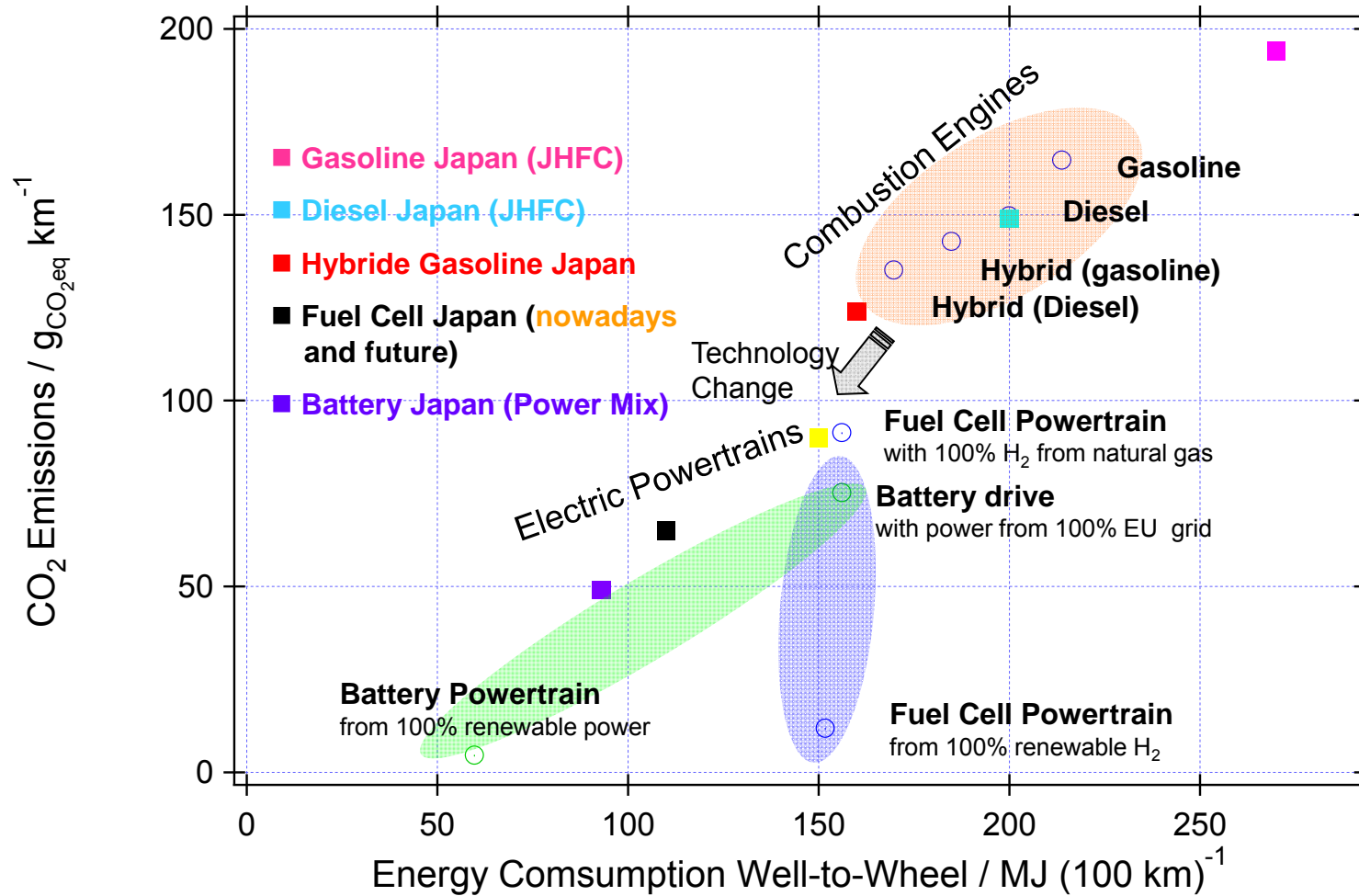
## Discovery to first practical use ...

- ICE: 1680 – 1889 (209 yrs)
- Steam Engine: 1690 – 1769 (79 yrs)
- Gas Turbine: 1791 – 1942 (150 yrs)
- Fuel Cells: 1838 – 1965 (127 yrs)
- Photovoltaics: 1839 – 1958 (119 yrs)





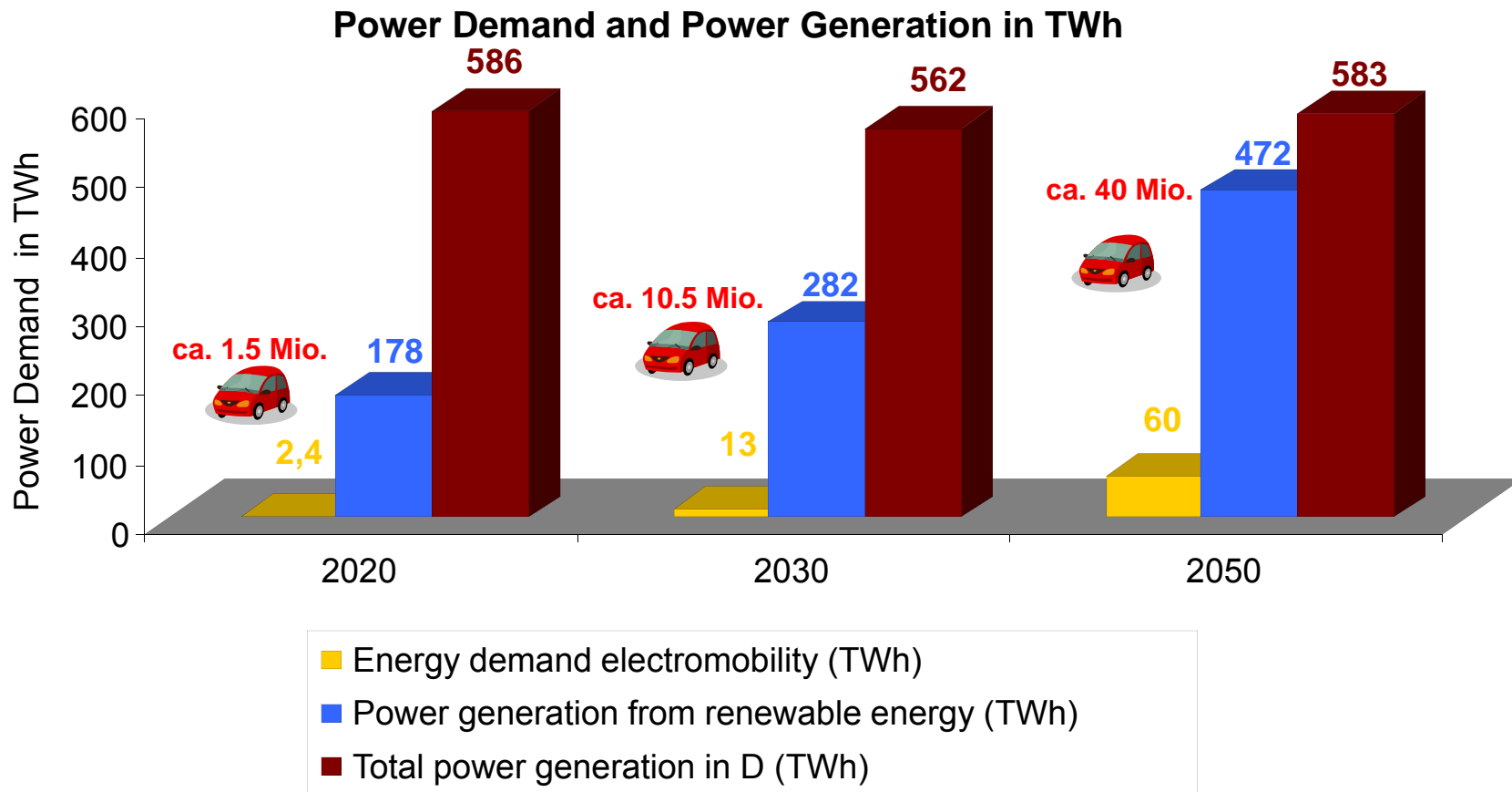
# Efficiency Comparison of Automotive Power Trains



Based on Well-to-Wheel studies of European and Japanese Sources: Concawe, EUCAR, JRC und JHFC



# Potentials of Power Generation from Renewables and Demand for Electromobility in Germany



Source: "Leitstudien" for BMU regarding the potential of renewable energies



## Electromobility and Renewable Energy

Areal demand for renewable fuel for the use of a passenger car with 12 000 km driving performance per year

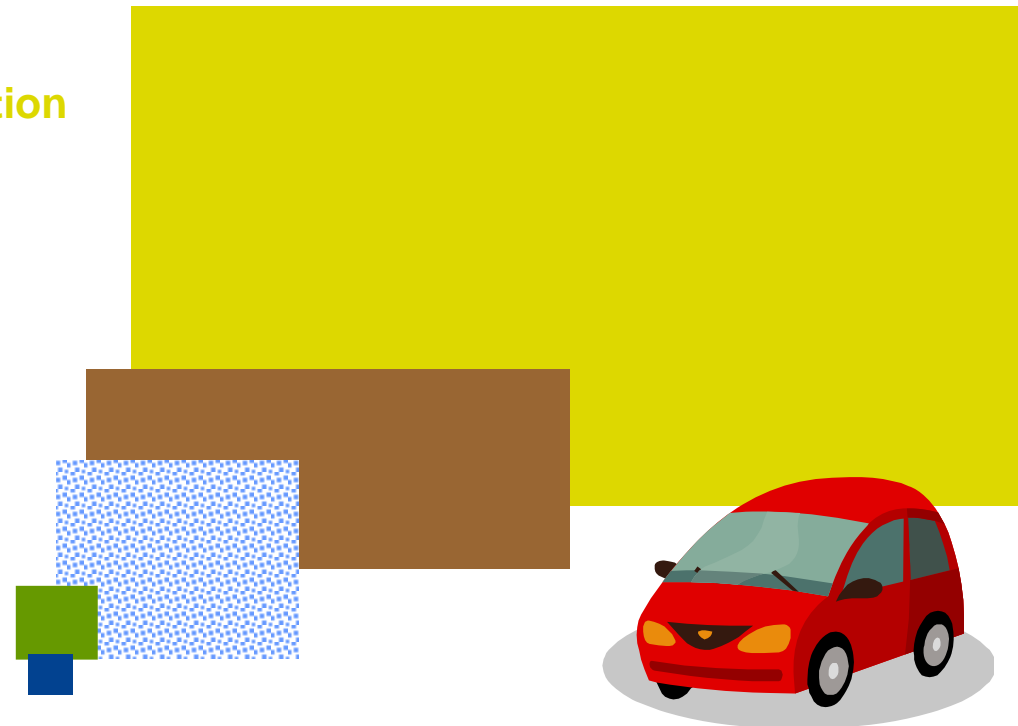
**5000 m<sup>2</sup> for Biodiesel and combustion engine**

**1000 m<sup>2</sup> for hydrogen from biomass + fuel cell powertrain**

**500 m<sup>2</sup> for hydrogen from wind energy + fuel cell powertrain (area can be used for agriculture)**

**65 m<sup>2</sup> for PV power + fuel cell power train**

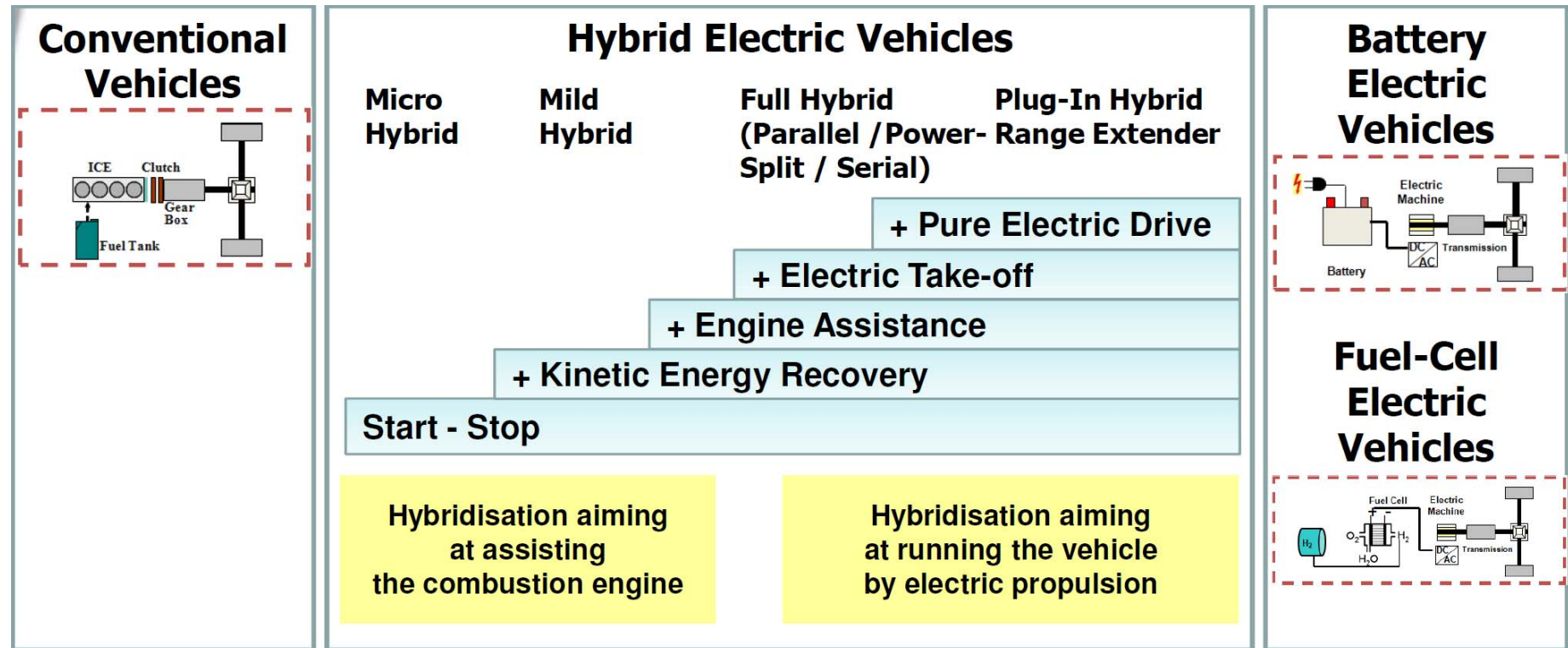
**20 m<sup>2</sup> for PV power + battery power train**



Source: ZSW



# Configuration of Electrical Cars

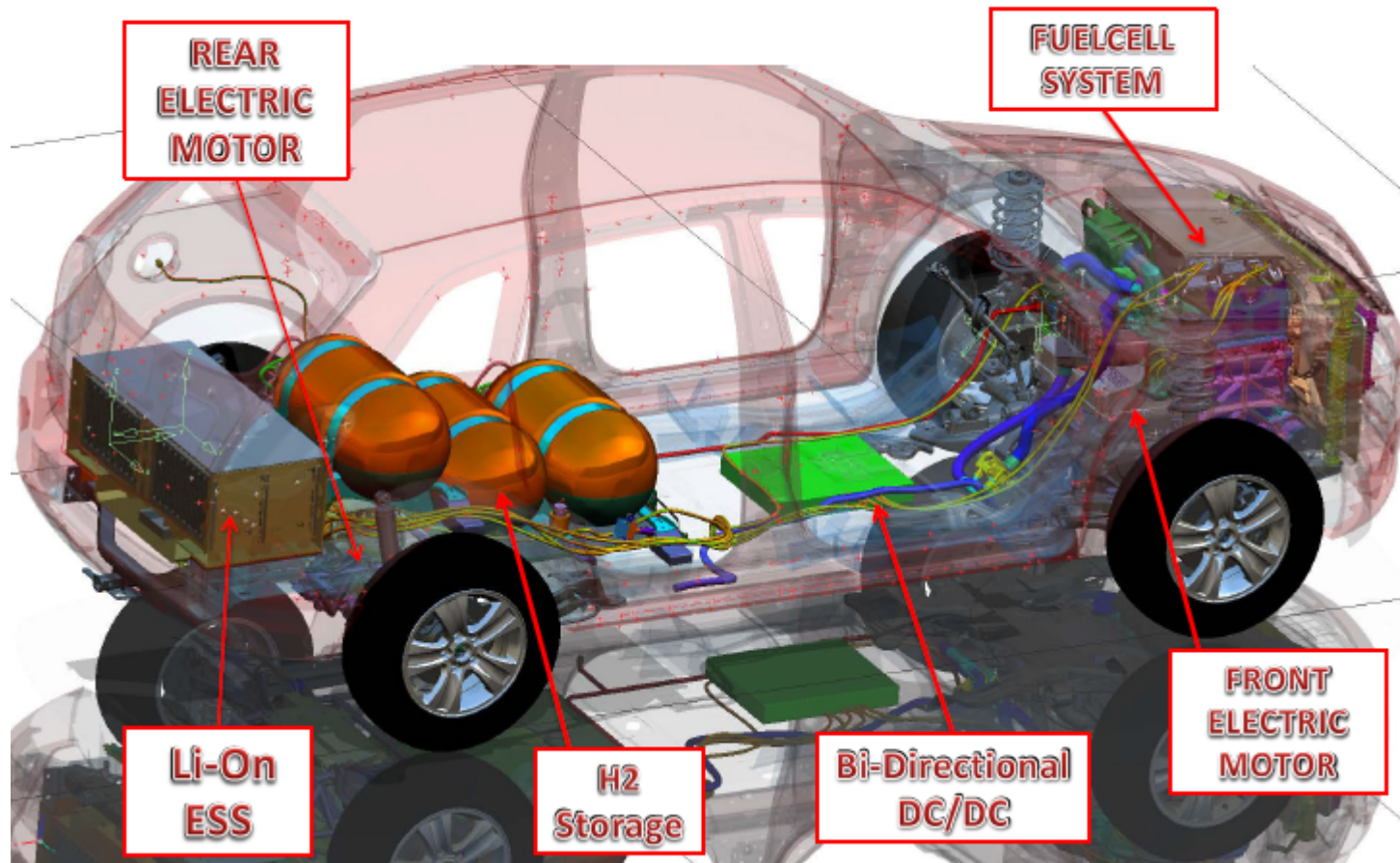


## Hybridisation Possibilities

	Micro Hybrid	Mild Hybrid	Full Hybrid	Plug-In Hybrid	Battery E Vehicle
Motor assistance		+	+	+	+
Recuperation of breaking energy	+	+	+	+	+
Start-Stop	+	+	+	+	+
Electrical range			few km	Up to 60 km	100 – 200 km
Fuel savings	8%	12– 20 %	25 – 40%	60 – 100%	100%
Examples	BMW 1.3 Mini	GM Saturn Vue, Honda Civic, Mercedes S-Klasse BMW 7 Serie	Ford Escape, Toyota Prius	DAI Sprinter, VW Twin Drive GM Chevrolet Volt	Mitsubishi i-EV, BMW Mini-EI, Peugeot i-On



# Automobile with Fuel Cells / System example from GM



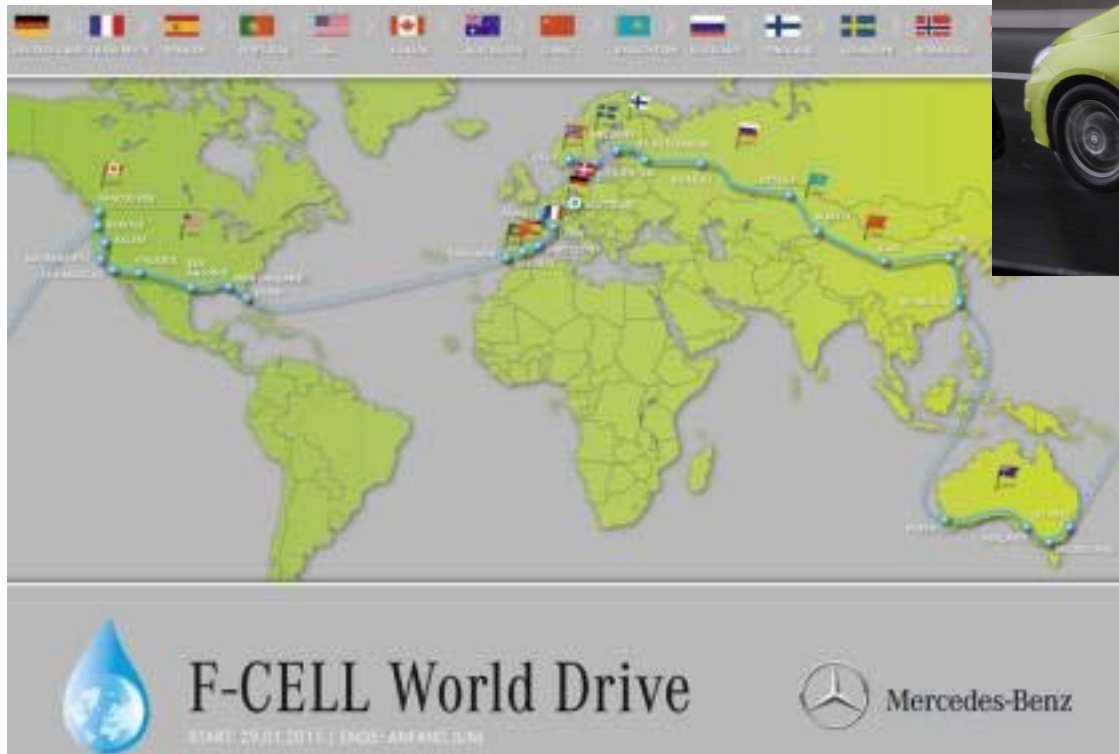


## Maturity of Technology – Daimler World Drive

B-Class F-CELL

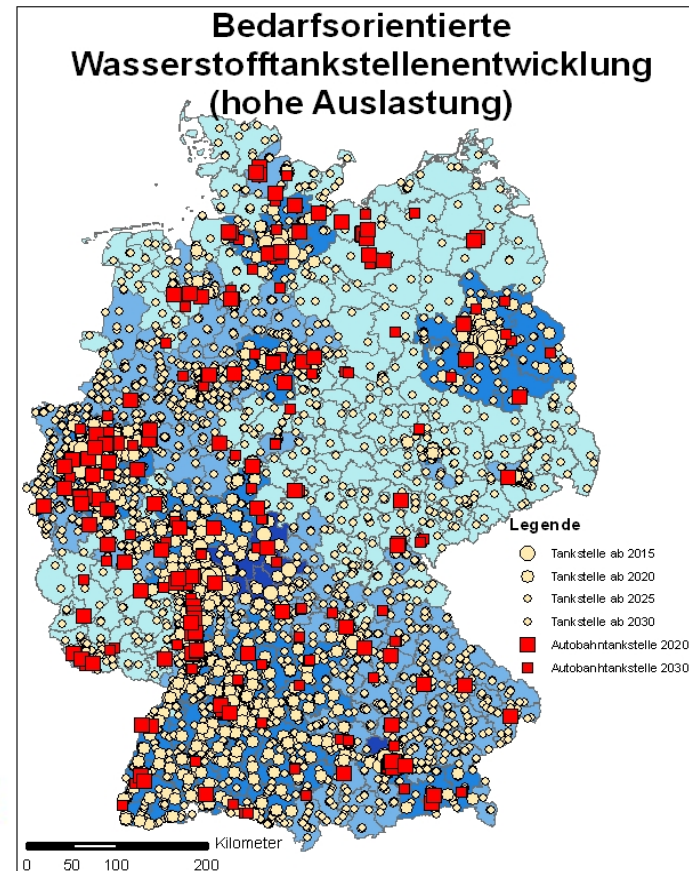
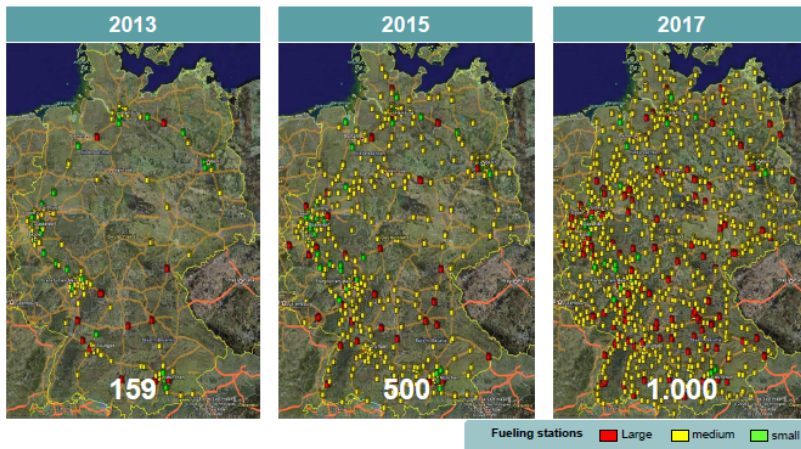
30,000 kilometers around the world

14 countries on four continents





# H<sub>2</sub> Infrastructure for Refueling is requirement



## Chevrolet Equinox Fuel Cell from GM

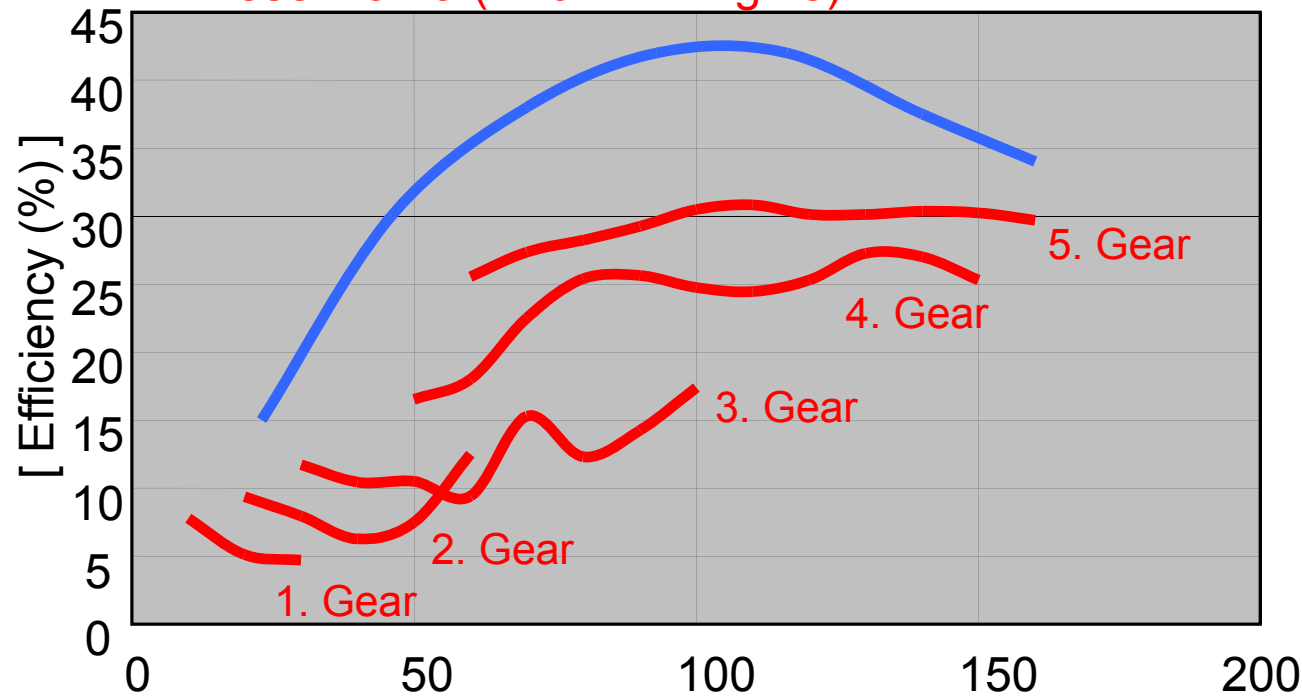
- Electric traction:
  - 73 kw 3-Phase asynchronous motor. 94 kw max.
  - Nominal Torque 320 Nm.
- Fuel Cell System:
  - Stack: 440 cells, 93 kW.
  - NiMH battery 35 kW.
  - Operation life: 2.5 years, 80.000km.
  - Operation temperature: -25 to +45° C.
- Fuel storage:
  - 3 CGH2 vessels.
  - 70 MPa.
  - 4.2. kg Hydrogen.
- Performance:
  - Acceleration: 0-100 km/h in 12s.
  - Top speed 160 km/h.
  - Operation range 320 km.
- Curb weight: 2010 kg.



## Comparison of Efficiency and CO<sub>2</sub>-Emission

■ Hydrogen-driven FC Zafira (HydroGen3)

■ Diesel Zafira (X20DTL Engine)



→ Average efficiency (European Drive Cycle):

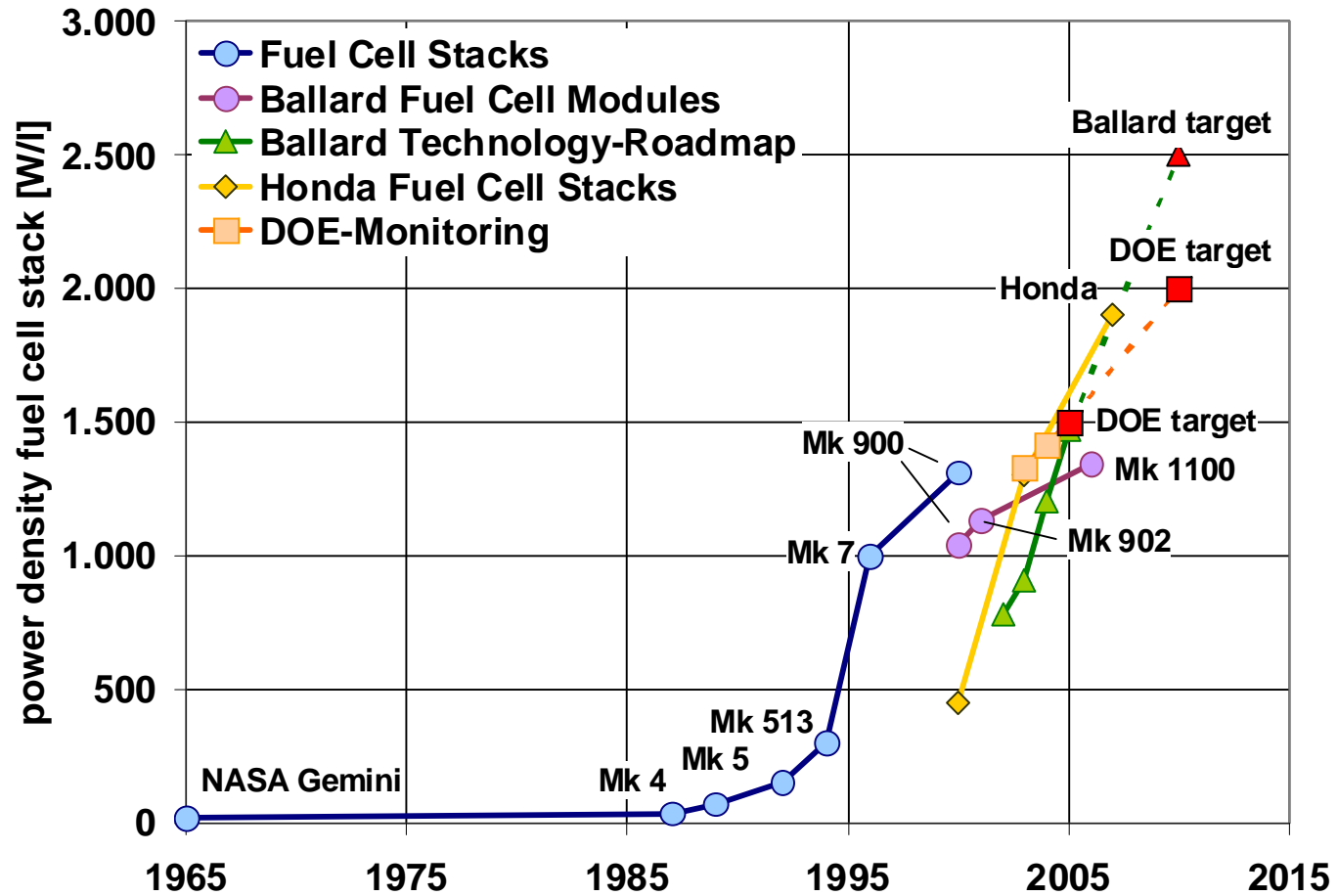
Efficiencies: 36 % / 22 %

CO<sub>2</sub>-Emissions (direct): 0 g/km / 177 g/km

Source: Hermann/Winter 2003

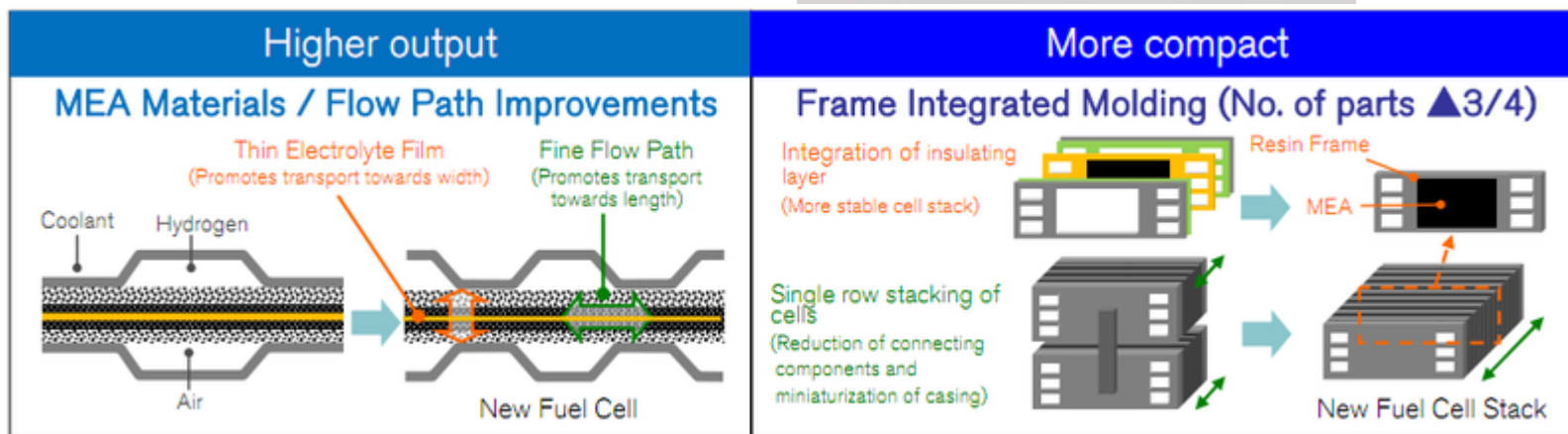


# Stack Improvements over the last Decades





## Recent Announcement by Nissan Motors

**Stack improvement to 85 kilowatts into a 34-liter package; 40.8 kg**  
(2.5 kW per liter and 2.08 KW/kg)

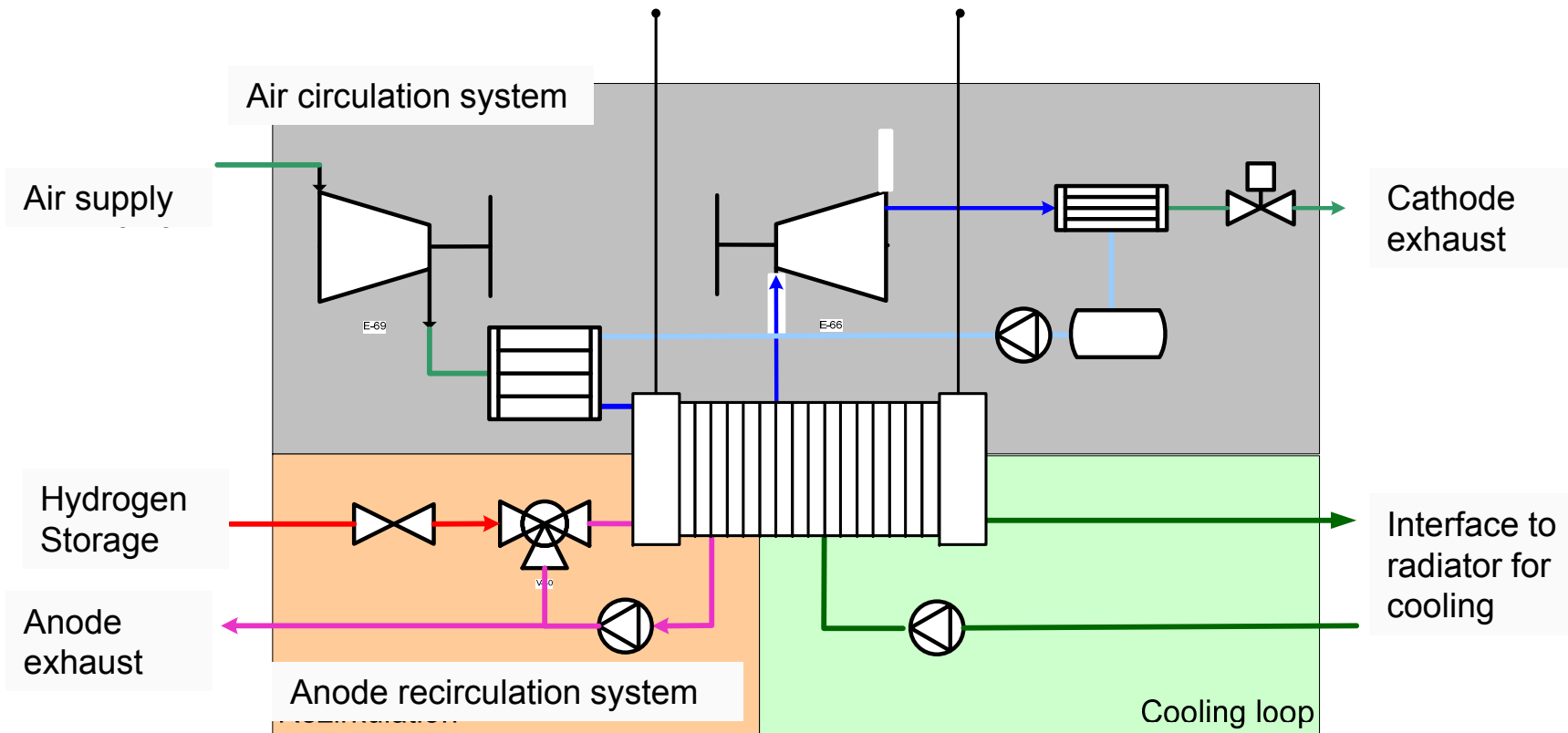


## GM Next Generation Fuel Cell system

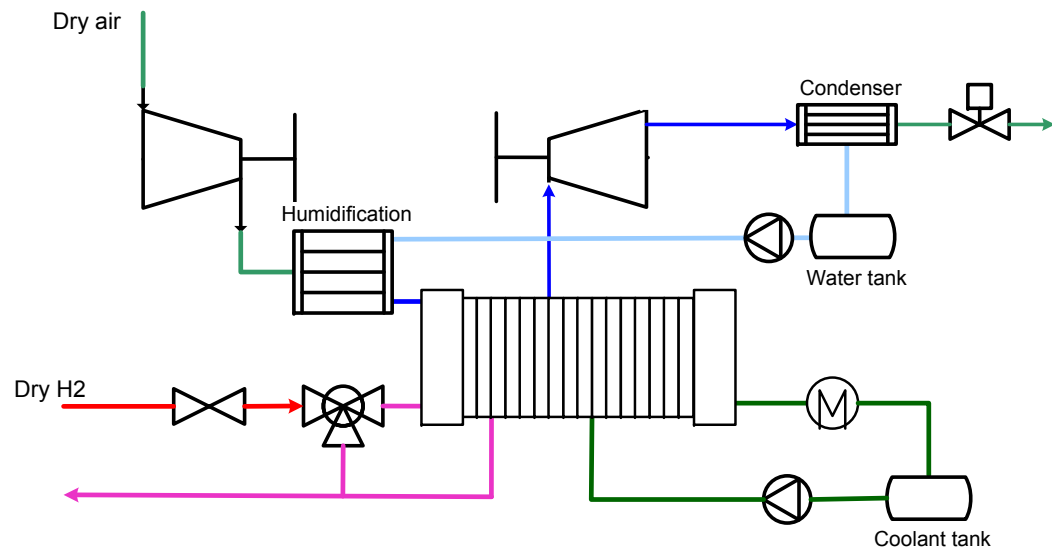
	Equinox Fuel Cell	Gen 2
		
<b>Net Power</b>	93 kW	85-92kW
<b>Max Excursion Temp</b>	86C	95C
<b>Durability</b>	1500-hrs	5500-hrs
<b>Cold Operation</b>	Start from -25C	Start from -40C
<b>Mass</b>	240 Kg	<130 Kg
<b>Sensors/Actuators</b>	30	≤15
<b>Stack Subsystem: Plates UEA</b>	Composite 80g Platinum / FCS	Stamped Stainless Steel <30g Platinum / FCS
<b>Air Subsystem &amp; Humidification</b>	Tube-style Humidifier sensor based RH control	GM designed Humidifier model based RH control
<b>Design Integration</b>	Semi-Integrated	Highly Integrated for Thermal Performance



# System Components



# DC A-Class Fuel Cell System (~2002)



- Ballard Hy80 System  
220 kg, 220 l, 68 kW
- Stack Mark 902
- Rotary Screw Compressor + Expander
- Active humidification

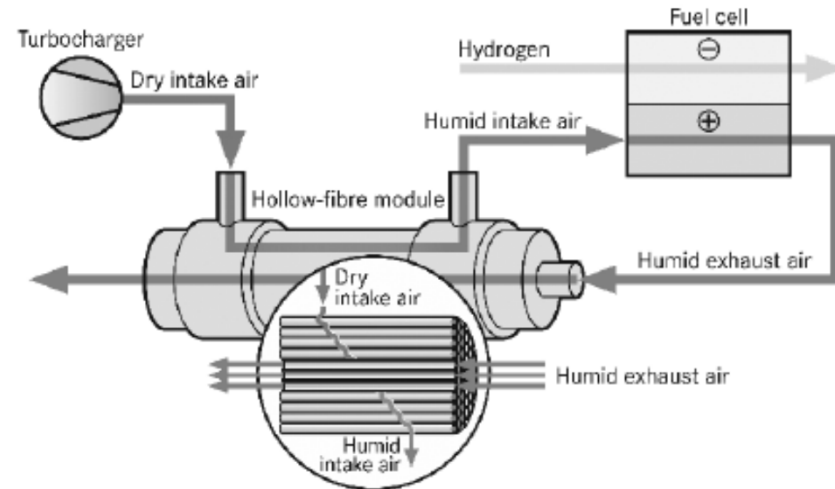
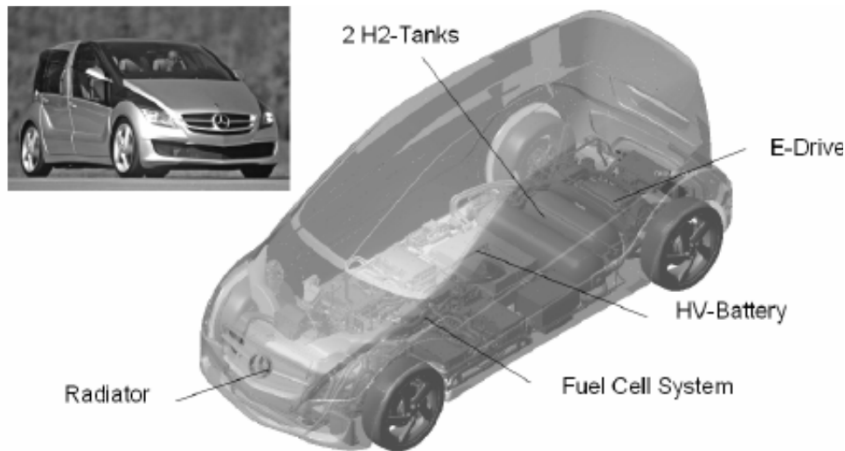
Power (Stack):	85 kW
Power Density (Stack):	1.1 kW/l – 0.9 kW/kg
Active Area:	
Number of Cells:	
Compressor (Lambda):	Screw, $\lambda=2$ from about 10% $P_{max}$
Humidification:	yes - evaporator
H <sub>2</sub> Recirculation (Lambda):	yes
Cooling:	Ethylene / Glycol
System pressure:	2 bar (overpressure)
Operation Temperature:	80° C
Bipolar Plate:	Graphite
H <sub>2</sub> Storage:	350 bar C-H <sub>2</sub>

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 Bal2007-Datenblatt-Ballard-Mark902.pdf  
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# DC F600 – Research Car (~2005/2006)



Power:	78kW (personal communication)
Power Density:	1.9kW/l – 1.0kW/kg (personal comm.)
Active Area:	ca. 312 cm <sup>2</sup>
Number Cells:	440 (personal comm.)
Compressor:	Elect. Turbo Charger (personal comm.)
Humidification:	„Hollow-fibre“ gas to gas humidification
Motor drive:	Direct current motor
Hybrid Battery:	Lithium Ionen Battery
Air System:	Electrical Turbo charger
Bipolar plate:	metallic 0.15mm (gold coating)
H <sub>2</sub> Storage:	700 bar C-H <sub>2</sub> (4 kg H <sub>2</sub> )

- New Stack
- Turbo compressor
- Lower cathode pressure
- Gas-to-gas-Humidification



## B Class F-Cell Vehicle (Daimler)

- H<sub>2</sub> Tank with 700 bar
- Variable-speed asynchronous motor  
~ 350 Nm
- Hybrid configuration with Li ion battery
- Electrical turbocharger
- New humidifier with membranes
- 400 km range
- 170 km/h max. velocity
- NEDC: 2.9 l – Diesel-Equiv. / 100 km;  
~ 105 MJ/100 km

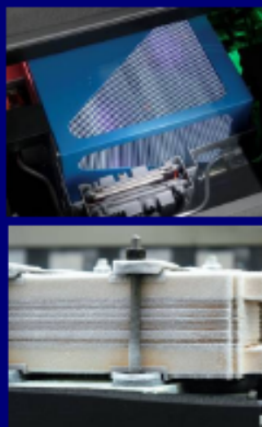


**B-Class F-Cell**

Specifications	
Vehicle type	Mercedes-Benz B-Class
FC-System	PEM, 80 kW
Drive	IPT Output (Continuous / Peak) 70kW / 100kW (136hp) Max. torque: 320 Nm
Fuel	Hydrogen (70 MPa / 10,000 psi)
Range	400 km (250 miles)
Max. Speed.	170 km/h (106 mph)
Battery	Li-Ion (Mn), Power (Continuous / Peak): 24 kW / 30 kW (40hp); Capacity 6.8 Ah, 1.4 kWh



## Fuel cell drive: Sustainable mobility of the future

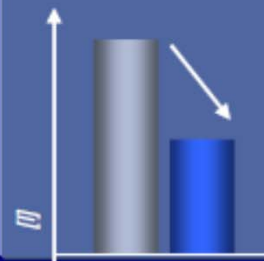


### Next generation fuel cell drive:

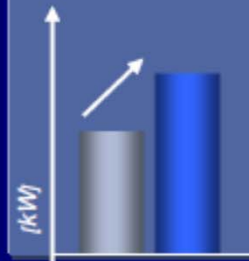
- Power: 85 kW / 350 Nm
- Lithium-Ion battery
- Range: 400 km
- Freeze start down to - 25 °C

Source: Daimler

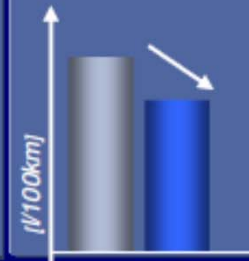
Size  
- 40%\*



Power  
+30%\*

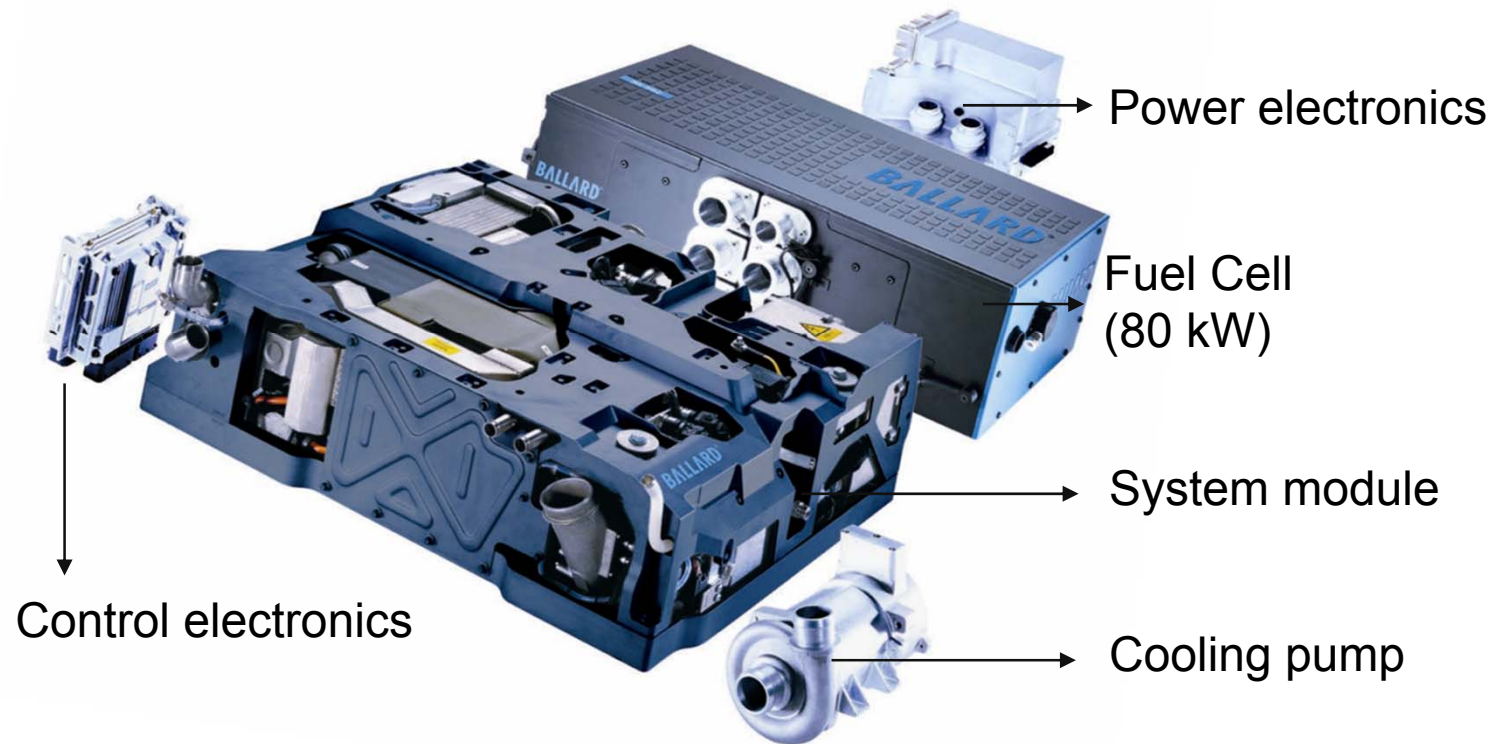


Consumption  
- 16%\*

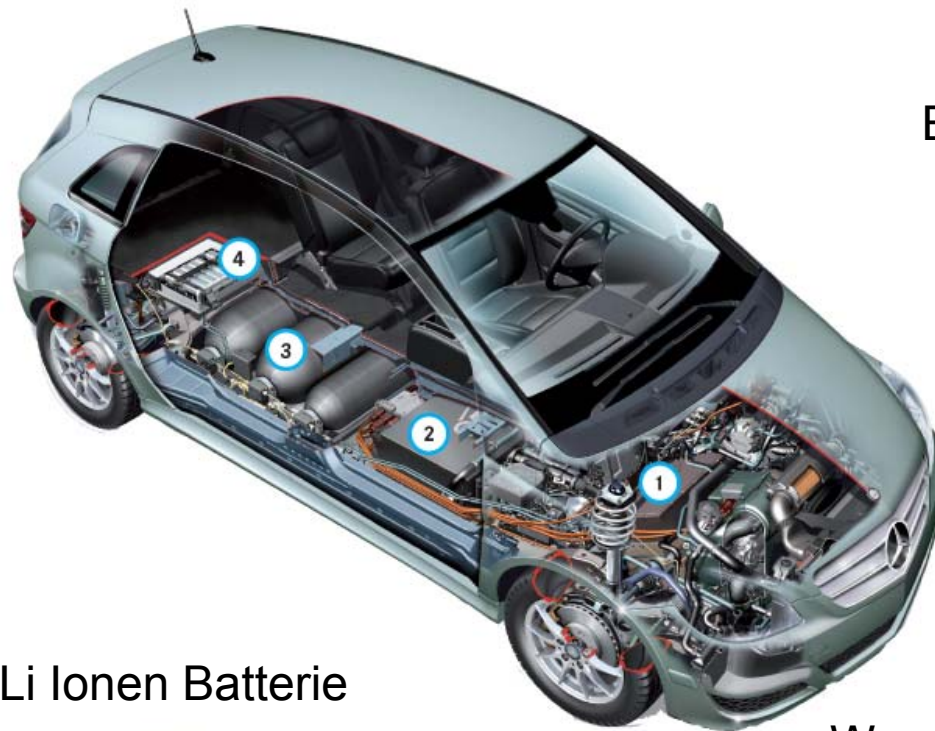


\*Compared to A-Class F-Cell

# Fuel Cell System Xcellsis™HY-80



# F-cell Hauptkomponenten



Elektromotor

1



BZ-Stack

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Li Ionen Batterie

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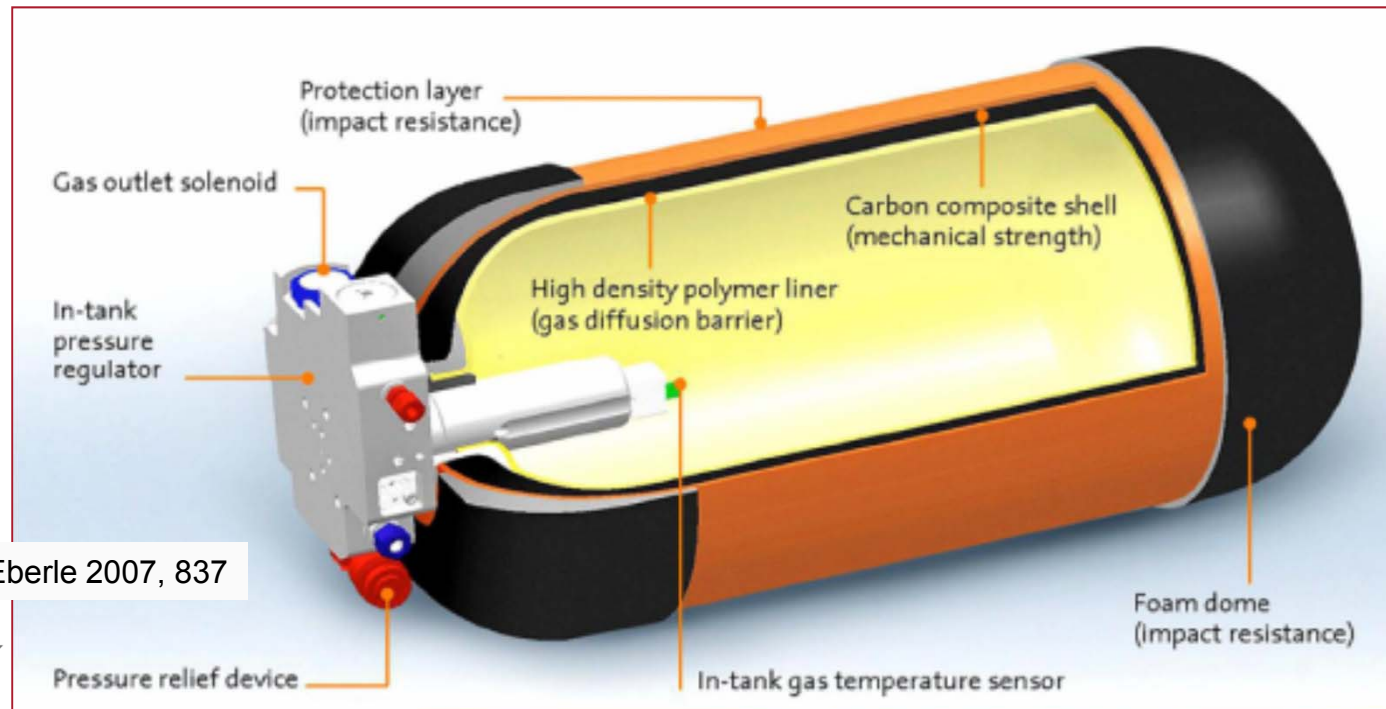
Wasserstofftank

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## Tank-System for compressed Hydrogen gas

- CGH<sub>2</sub>: compressed gaseous hydrogen,
- Pressure 35–70 MPa and room temperature.
- Usually 2 or 3 vessels can be placed in a car. In busses up to 8 vessels can be placed.
- Cruising range is between 200km (350 bar) up to 500 km (700 bar).



Source: Helmut/Eberle 2007, 837

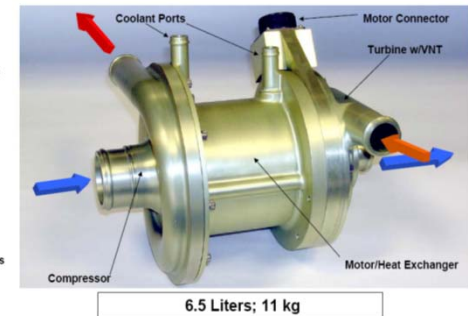
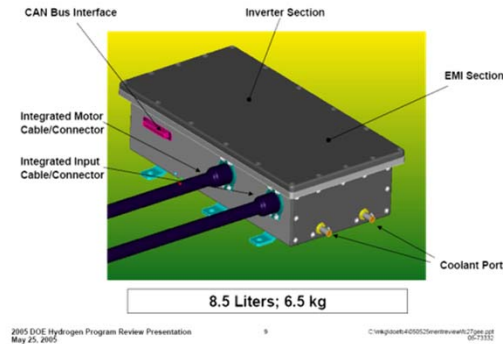


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# Compression of Air

## Carlson – NREL: „Cost analysis for PEMFC“:

- Turbo compressor expander (Honeywell)
  - maximum rotation speed: 110.000 rpm
  - Idle speed: 36.000 rpm
  - Mass: 17.5 kg ( with controller)
  - Volume: 15 l (with controller, gee2005-Honeywell-TurboCompExp.pdf)



## Mohr dieck:

- A-Klasse F-Cell: Screw compressor (Opcon)
  - Rotation speed: 20.000 rpm
  - Mass:
- F600 HyGenius: Elektrischer Turbolader
  - Rotation speed : 120.000 rpm
  - Lower weight: to 1/3 in comparison to screw compressor



## Problems with turbo chargers:

- Stall line → complex control syste,
- High pressure ration → complex dimensioning of blade and rotation speed
- Demand of oil free operation

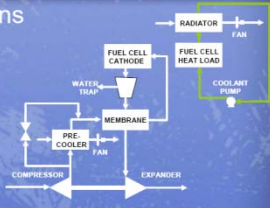

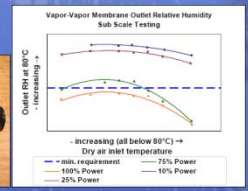


# Humidifier

- PermaPure
- „Hollow Fibre Module“ (Daimler)

**FUEL CELL Water Management – Membrane** Honeywell

- Detailed system design and specifications
- Nafion membrane (Perma Pure)
- Pre-cooler dP ~ 7kPa
- Pre-cooler fan pwr: 0.6 kW
- Sub-scale component testing
- Performance sensitive to temperature
- Membrane dP ~ 14kPa
- Full scale design – Perma Pure
- 6" Ø, 10" length cartridge
- 6.4m<sup>2</sup> Nafion
- vol: 20l; wt: 6kg

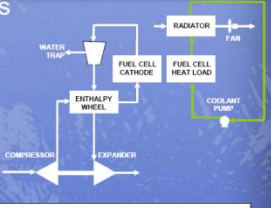

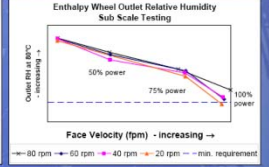




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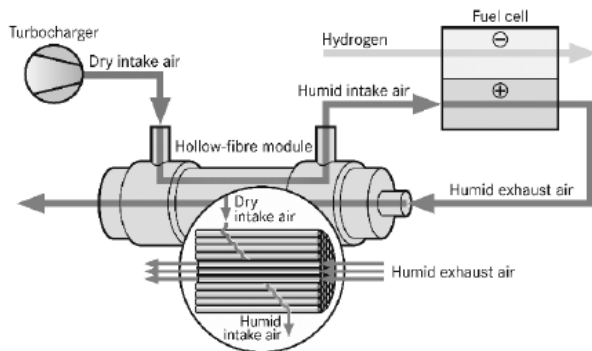
# „Enthalpy wheel“

**FUEL CELL Water Management – Adsorbent Wheel** Honeywell

- Detailed system design and specifications
- Emprise adsorbent wheel used
- Sub-scale component testing
- Performance strong function of face velocity
- dP < 7kPa
- Power: < 100W
- Leakage < 1% process flow
- Full scale design – Emprise
- 8" Ø, 7" length wheel
- vol: 17l; wt: 17kg
- Anodized Al construction
- Seal tension controlled with tie rods

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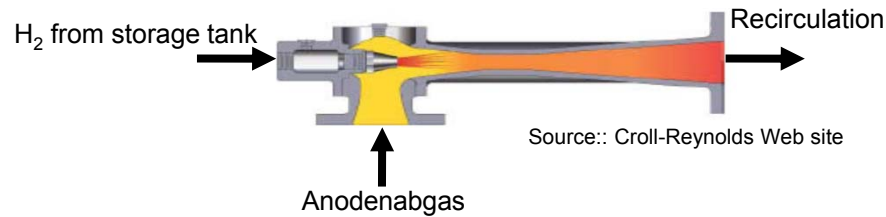




# H<sub>2</sub> Recirculation

Carlson – NREL: „Cost analysis for PEMFC“:

- Ejectore (Croll-Reynolds):



- Recirculation pumps:



H2 Systems Inc.



From Nuvera

Recirculation need:

- Dynamics
- Hydrogen utilization

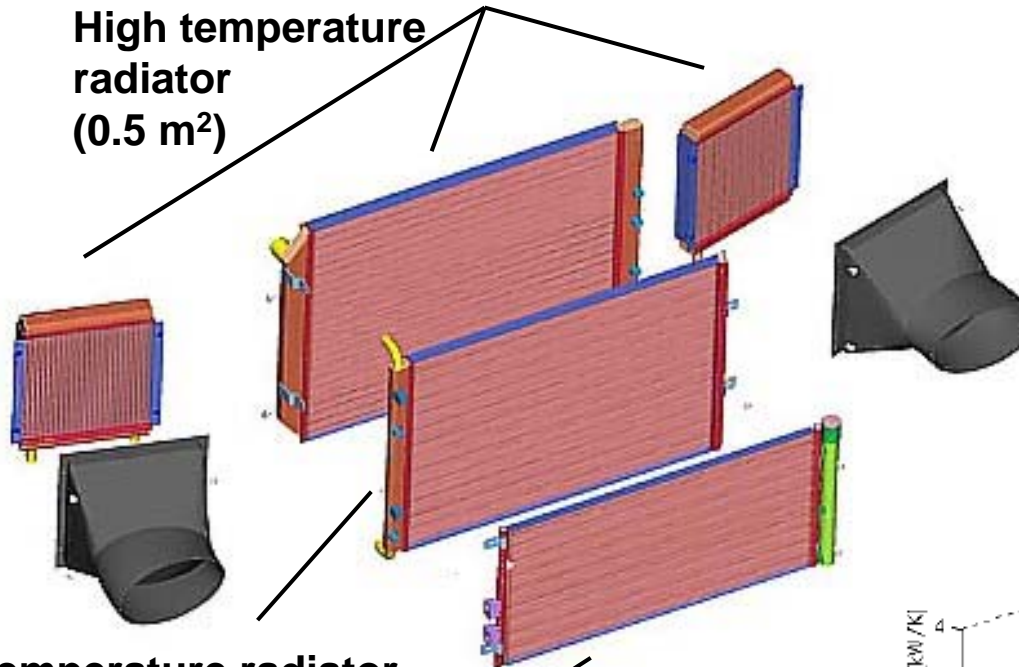


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# Cooling System – F- Cell - Daimler

**High temperature radiator  
(0.5 m<sup>2</sup>)**



**Low temperature radiator  
Cooling liquid condenser**

- $T_{\text{coolant}} : \sim 80^{\circ} \text{C}$
- $\sim 80 \text{ kW @ } 25^{\circ} \text{C}$
- $\sim 50 \text{ kW @ } 40^{\circ} \text{C}$
- $P_{\text{blower}} : \sim 2.5 \text{ kW}$

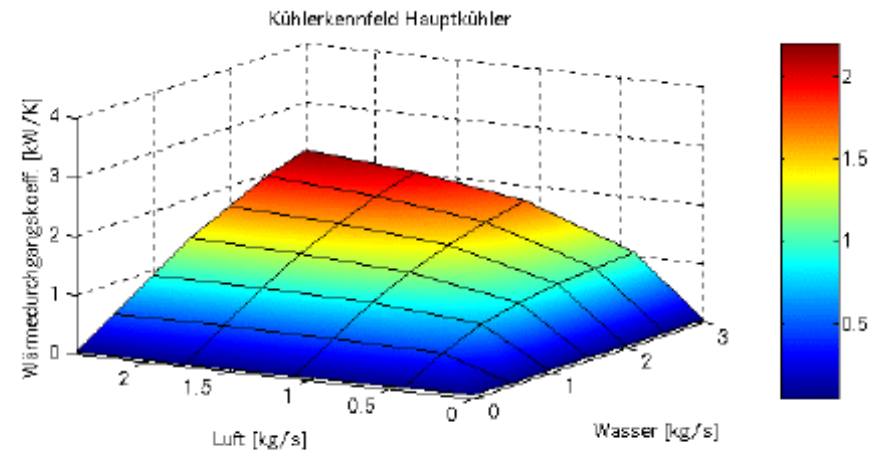
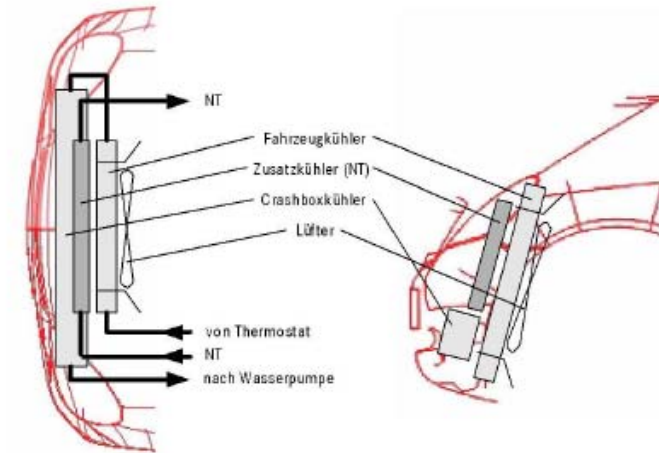


Abbildung C.6: Wärmedurchgangskoeffizientenkennfeld des Hauptkühlers

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# Cooling System– DaimlerCrysler – F- Cell



Vehicle at F-Cell Meeting Stuttgart, 2005

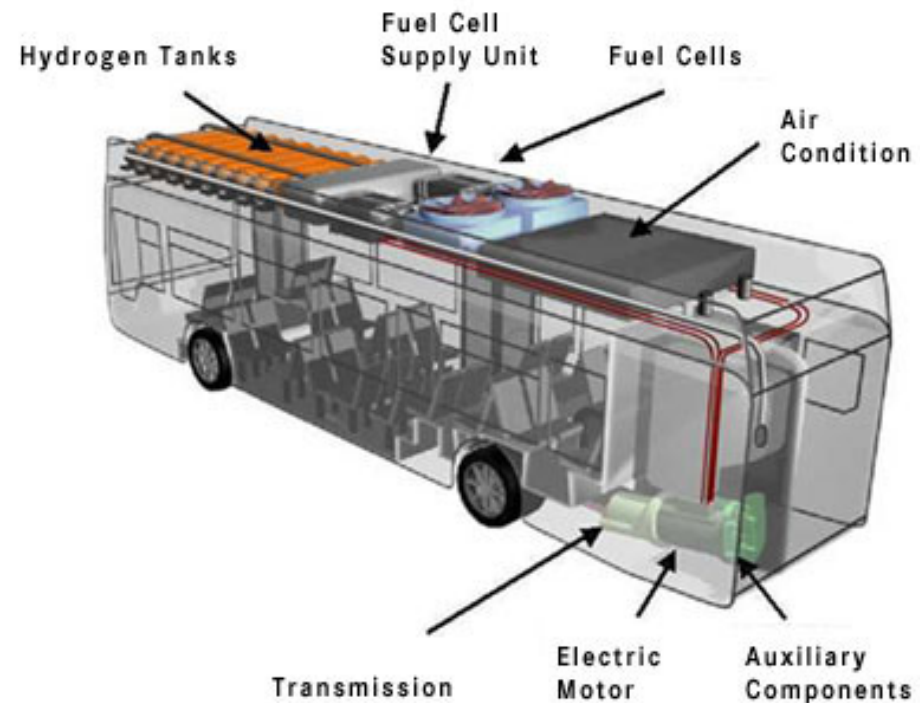


## Fuel Cell Busses

- DaimlerChryslers “Citaro-Bus” based on fuel cell technology.
- 27 Citaro buses were tested during 2003 to 2005 in 9 European cities.
- Stack-Technology from Ballard:
  - Two modules “MK902 Heavy Duty” with 300 kW.
- Tank-System
  - 9 CGH2-vessels with 350 bar can store 1845 litre.
- operating range
  - 200 to 250 kilometres.
- maximum speed
  - approx. 80 kilometres.



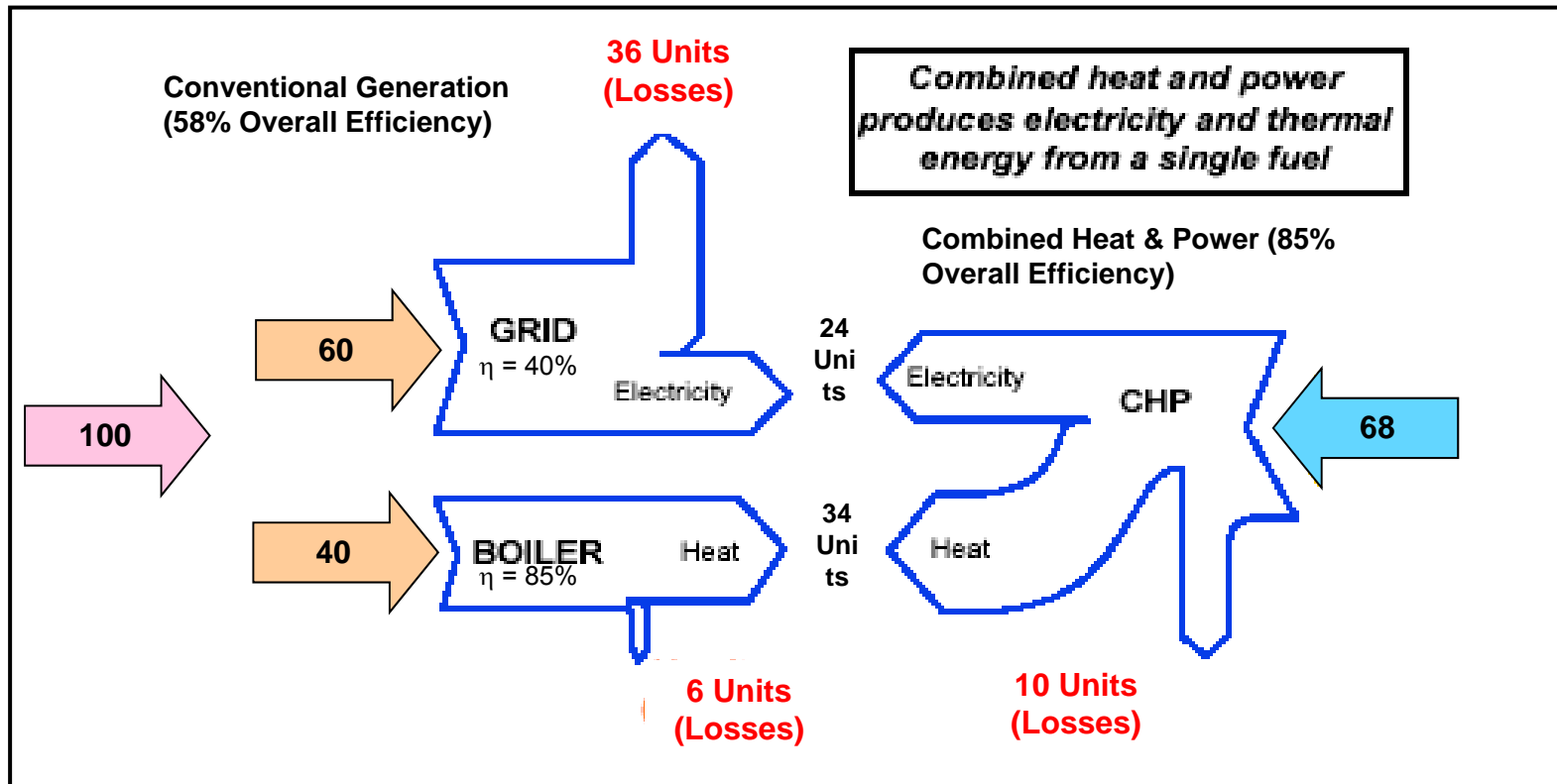
Fuel Cell Bus “Citaro”



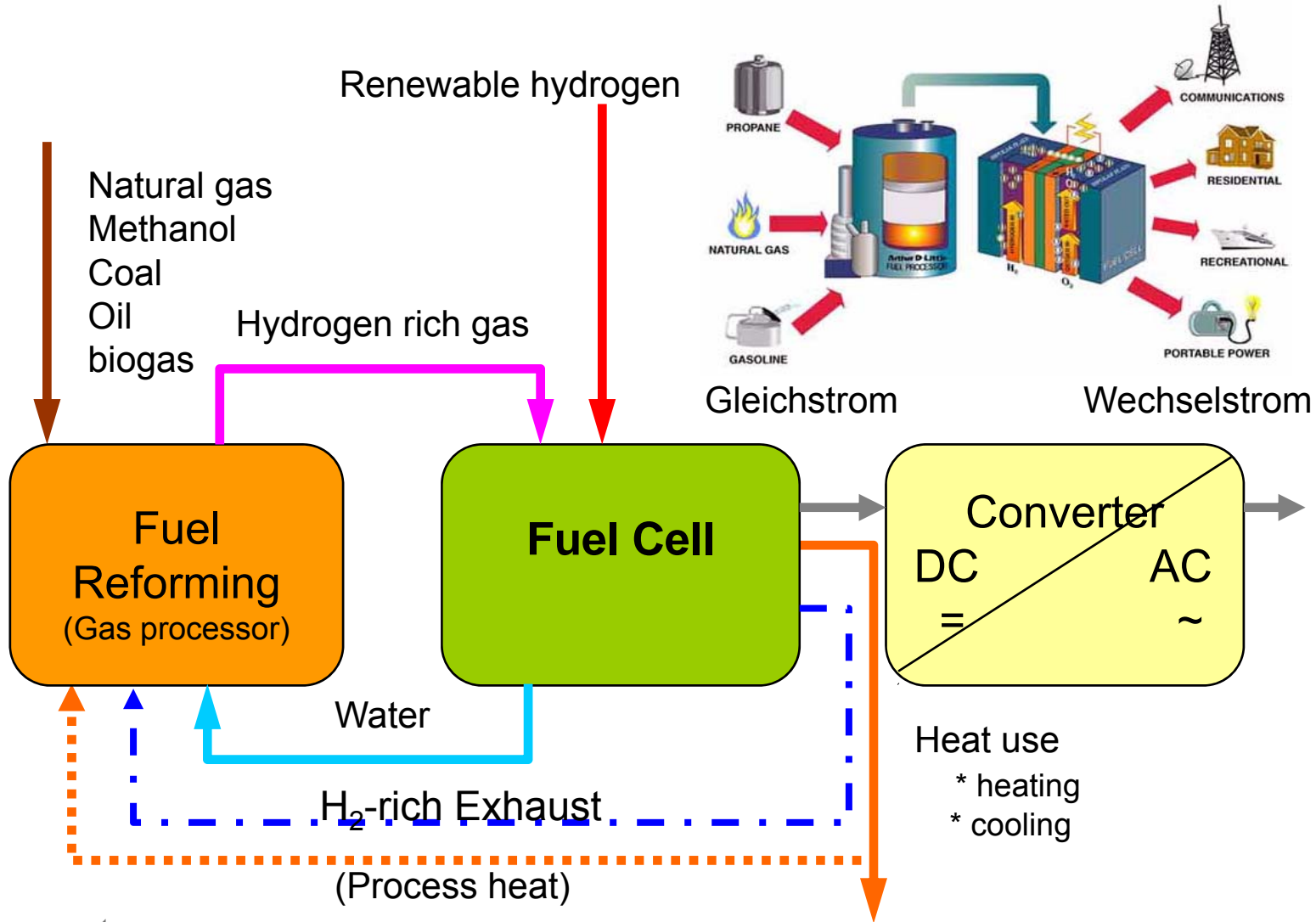
Source: Fuel Cell Bus Club 2004



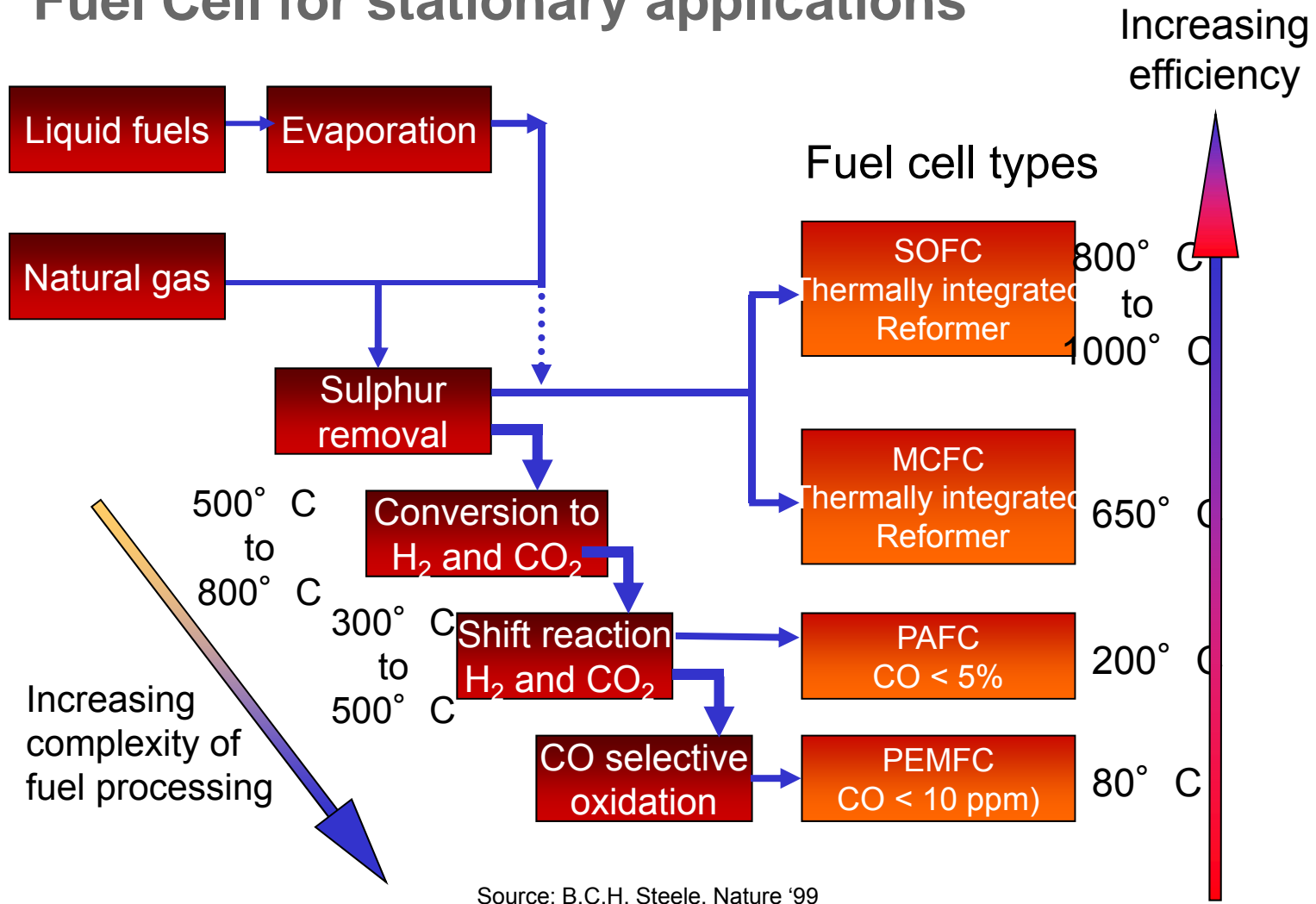
# Efficiency Advantage of CHP



# Fuel Cell Power Plant

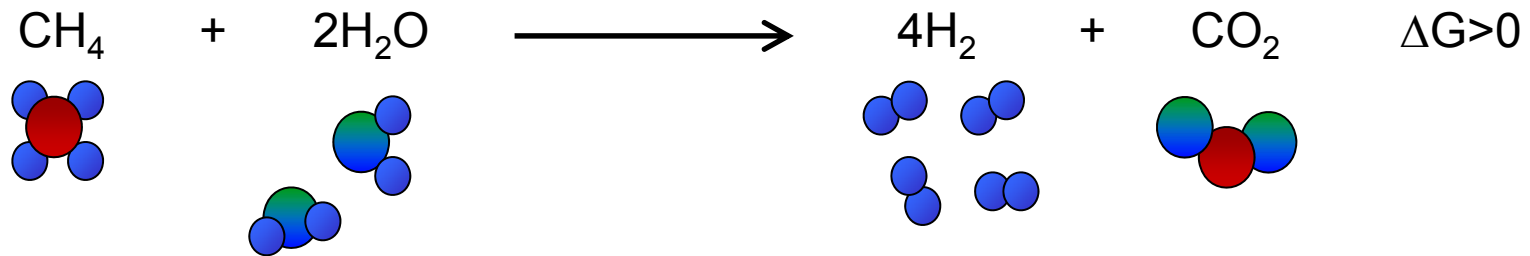


# Fuel Cell for stationary applications

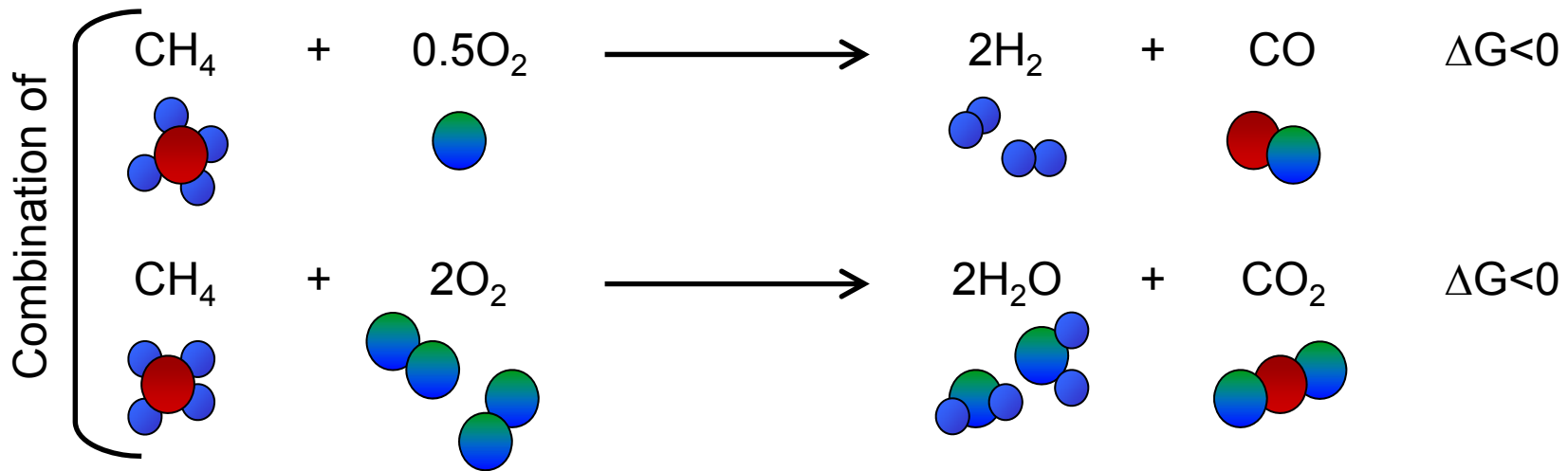


# Reformierung STR / CPOx

## STR = Steam Reforming

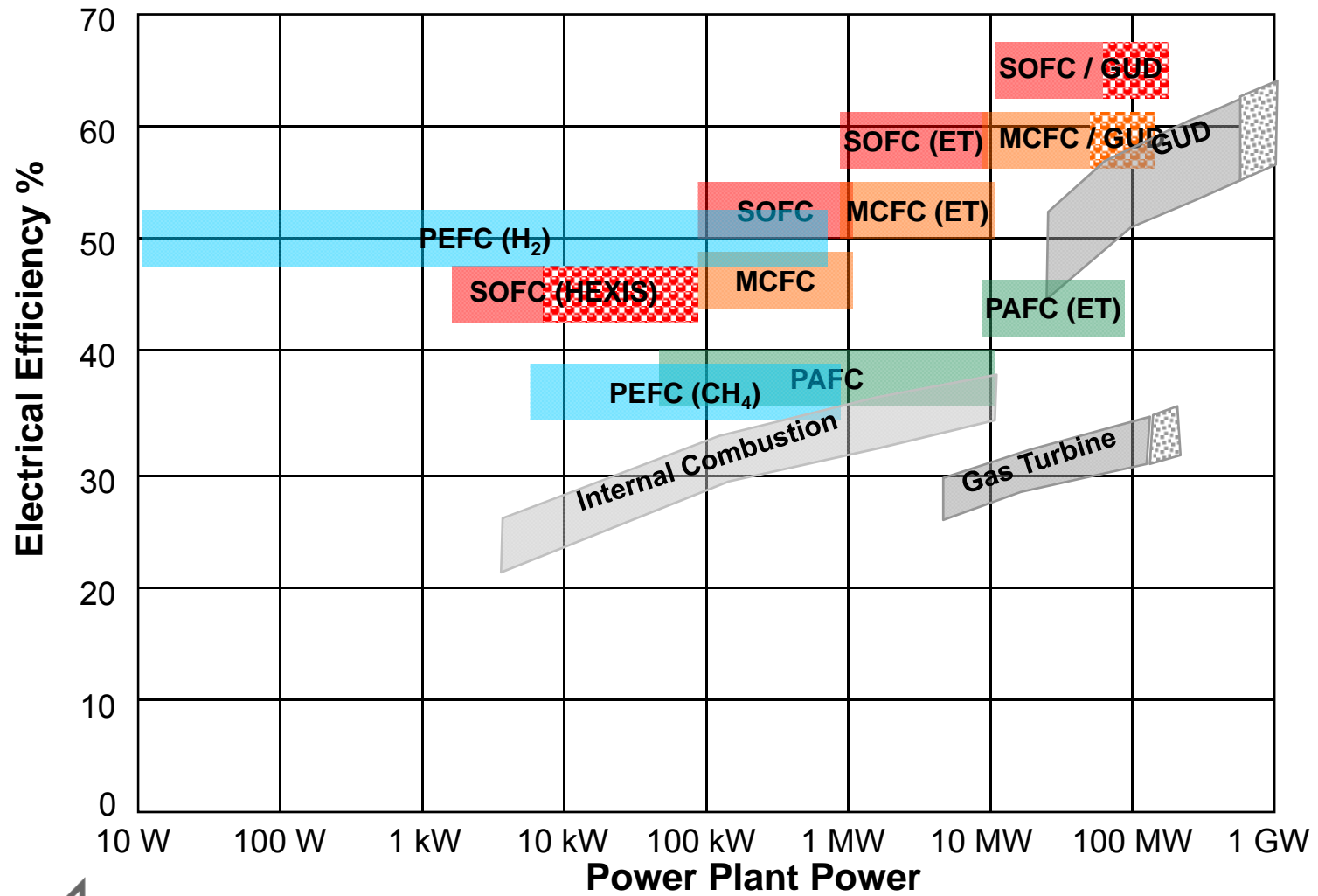


## CPOx = Catalytic Partial Oxidation





# Efficiencies in Comparison



## Fuel Cell Technology for Residential Application

- Extension of Cogeneration possibilities below  $10 \text{ kW}_{\text{el}}$
- „Heating device“ with power generation
- New technology with positive associations (low emissions, high efficiencies)
- Modular system with development potential for further applications and products

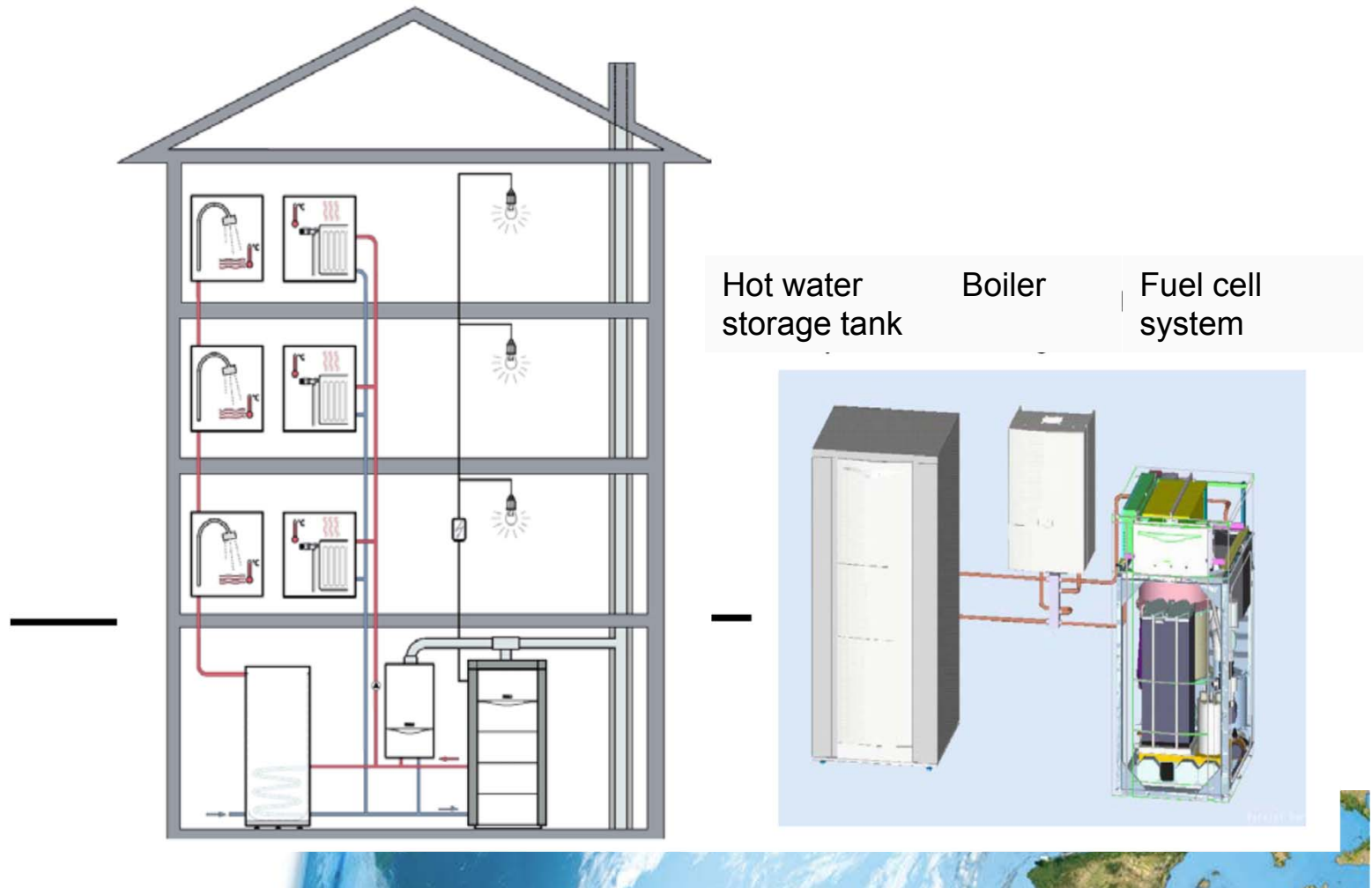
Advantage of fuel cell systems for residential application:

- Low emissions
- High power to heat ration
- High efficiency at part load
- Low noise level



# Residential System

## KWK-System für die Hausenergieversorgung

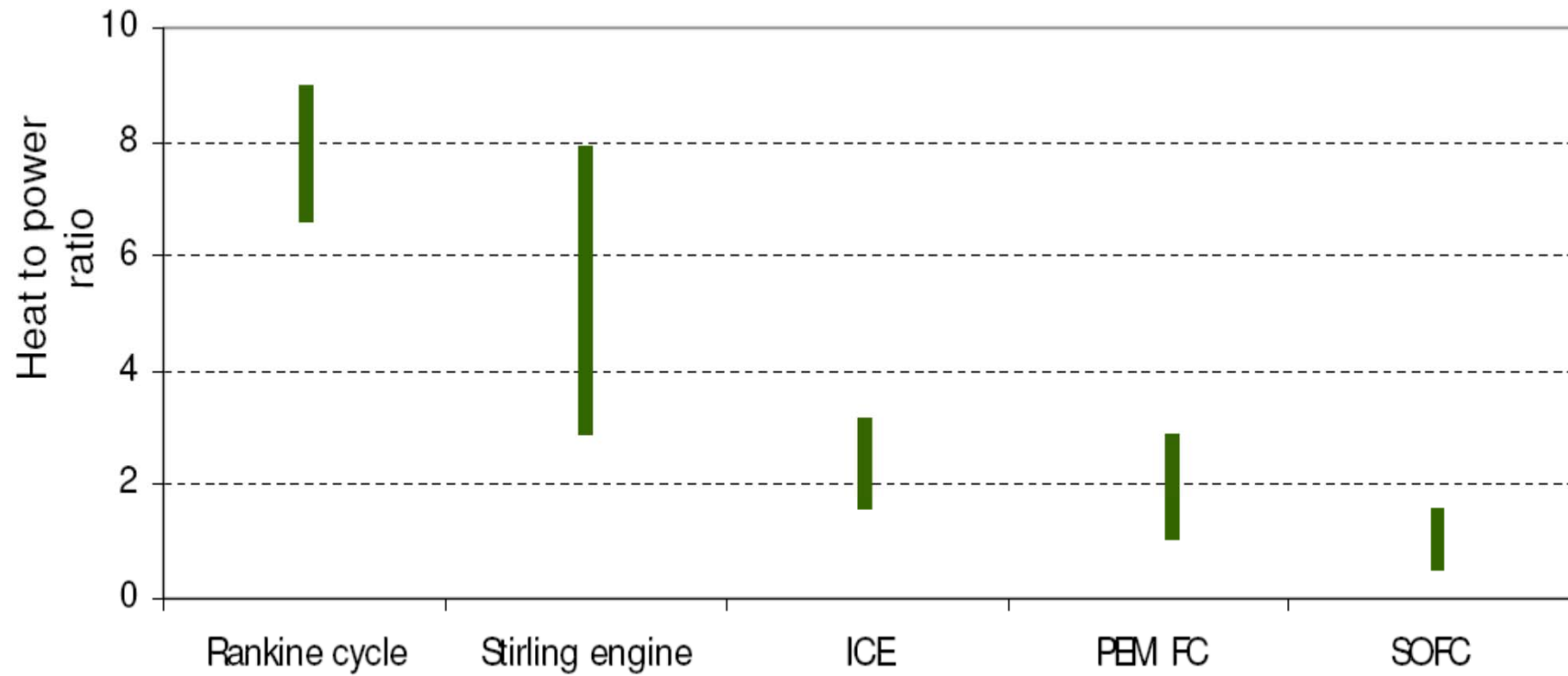


## Requirements for Fuel Cell Systems in the stationary application

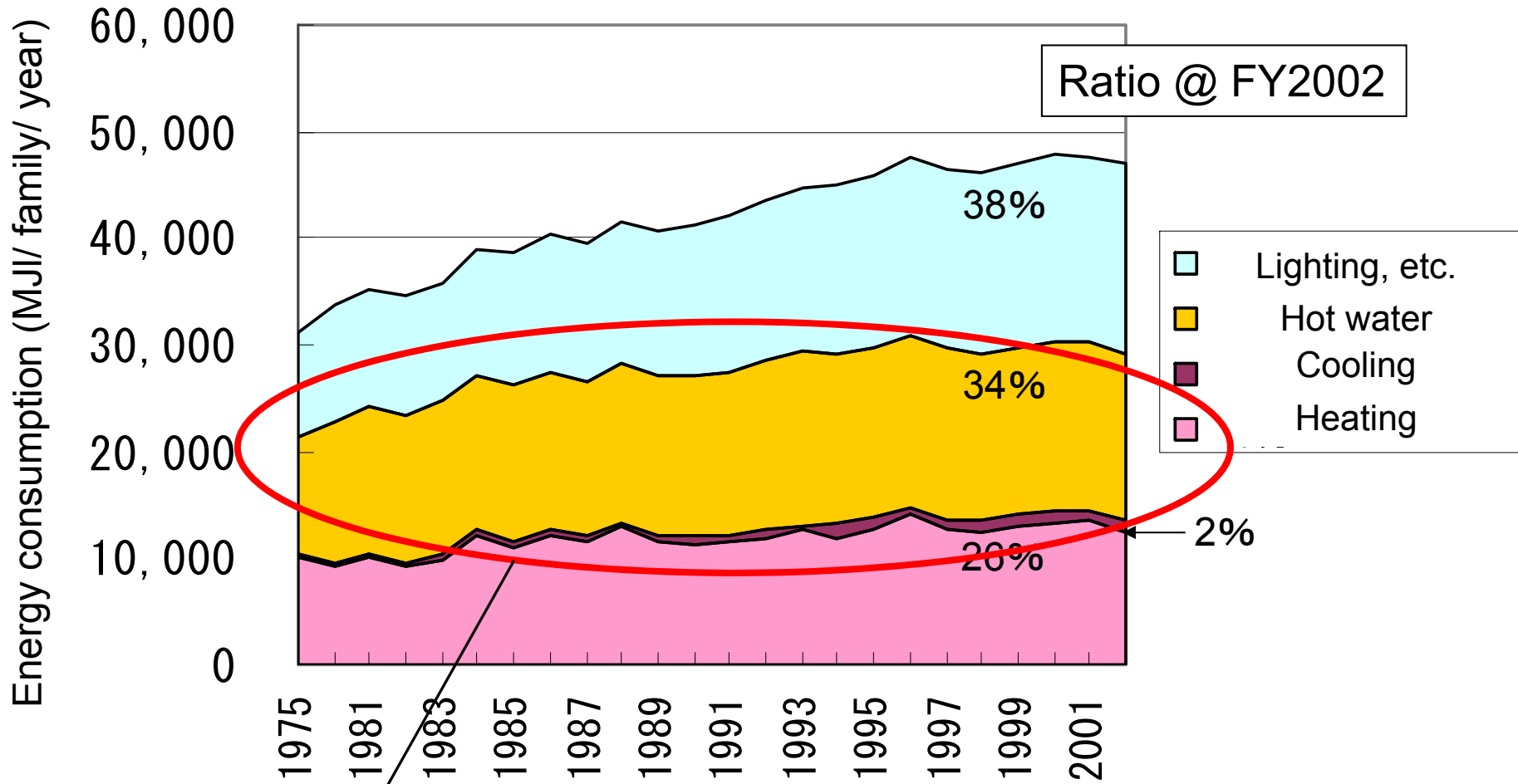
- Residential: small power units (1-10 kW)
- Dynamic response (advantage PEFC fast cold start)
- Higher power to heat ration
- Temperature level for heat utilization
- Low parasitic energy consumption (system simplification)
- durability > 40.000 h
- Low cost < 1000 €/kW
- Low level of maintainance
- High availability
- High total efficiency
- Low emissions



## Heat to Power Ratio for different Technologies



## Japanese Application and experience

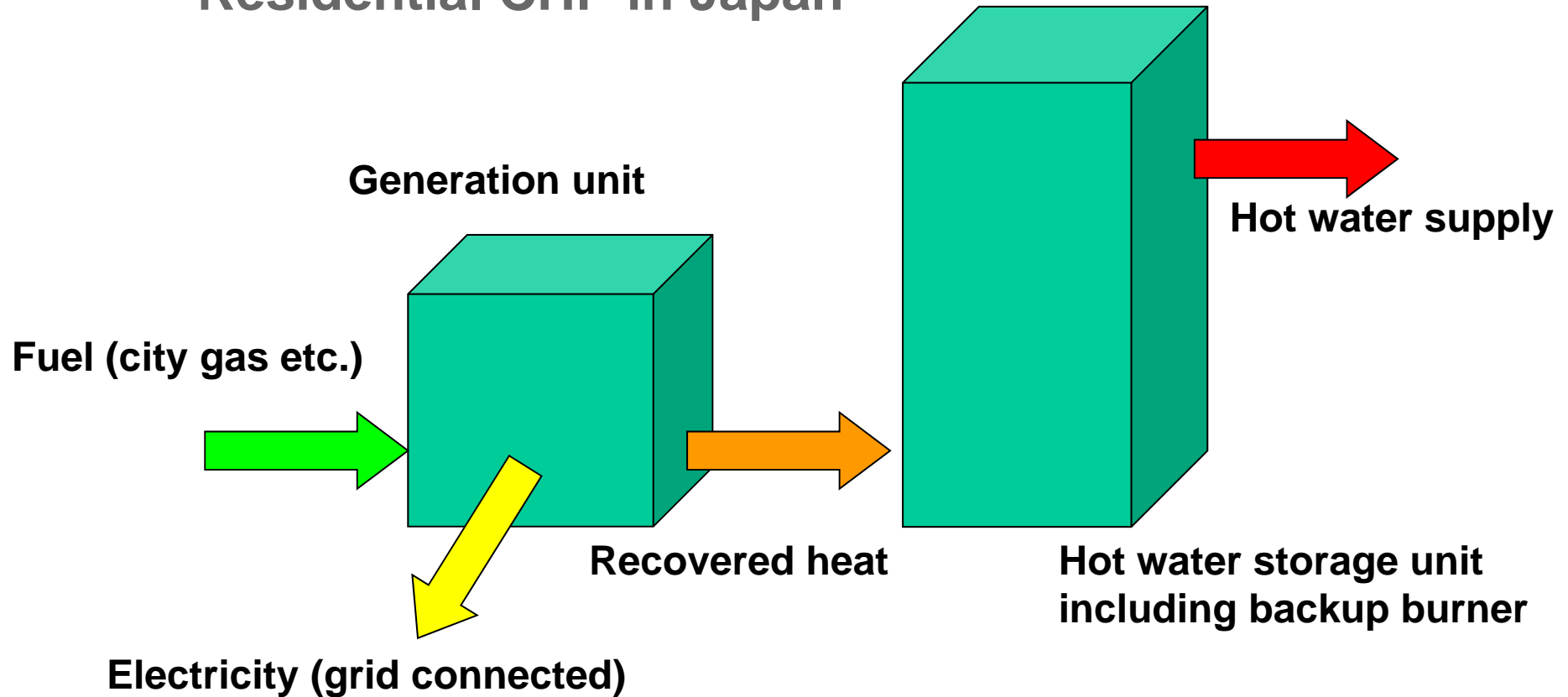


Large amount of energy for hot water

Jukankyo Research Institute Inc.



## Residential CHP in Japan






>Rated power: 1kW class

>Recovered heat used as hot water



## Residential CHPs in Japan

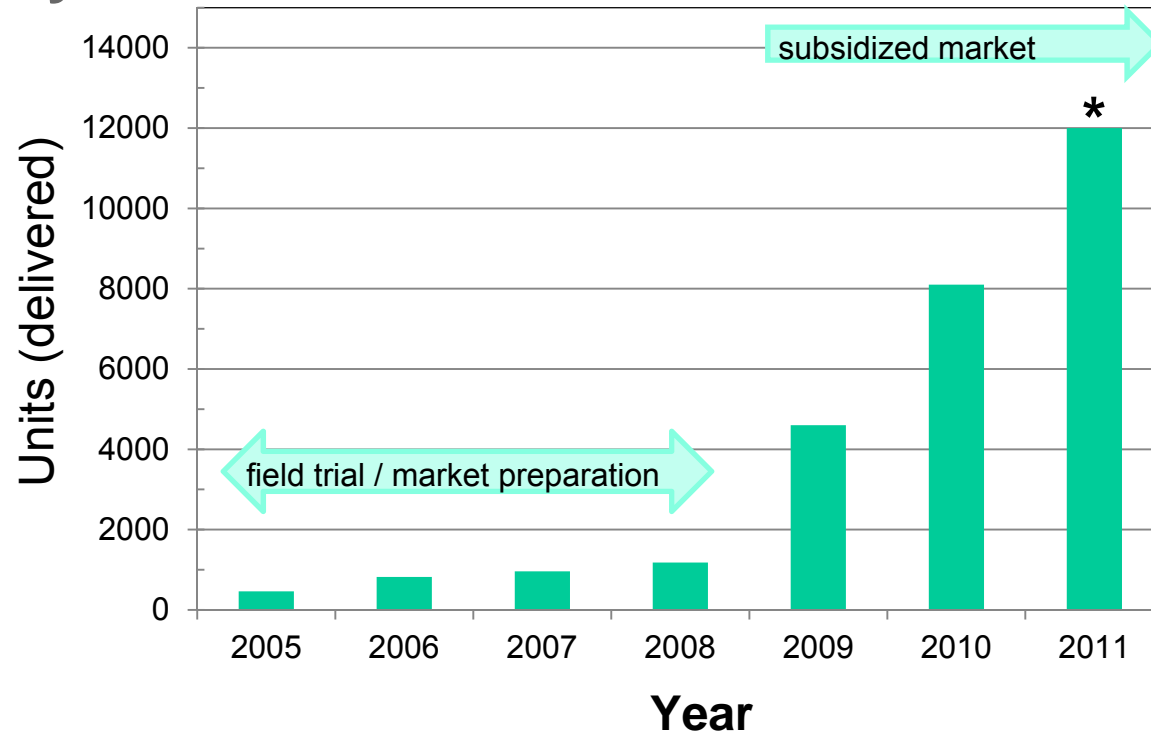
	Gas Engine	PEFC	SOFC
Efficiency E / H (%LHV)	22.5 / 63	37 / 50	45 / 30
Operation	Start & stop	Start & stop	Continuous
Stage	Commercial	Limited market entry	Field trial Market entry 2012
			

PEFC: Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cell, SOFC: Solid Oxide Fuel Cell





## Market Development in Japan for Residential Fuel Cell Systems




\* Cumulated from Panasonic and Toshiba numbers



# Residential PEFC Cogeneration System from Tokyo Gas

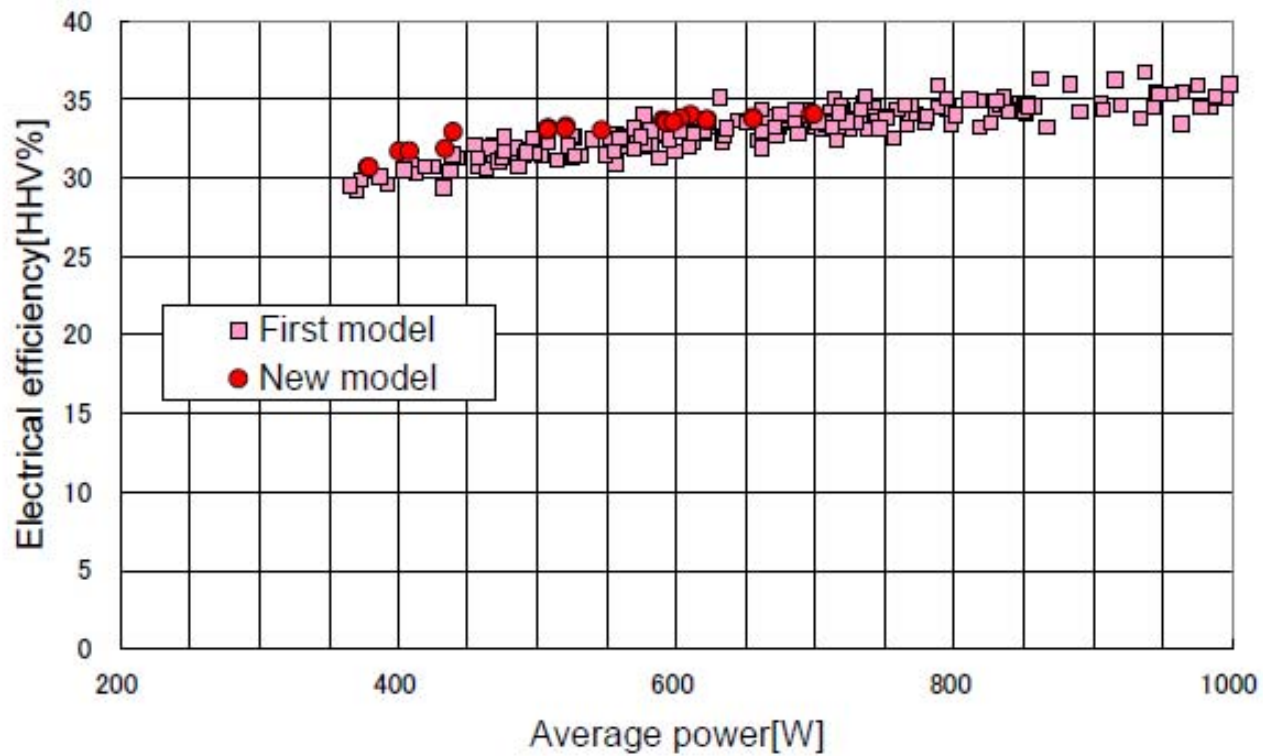
- Fuel Cell Systems from Panasonic and Toshiba

**Table 1: Specifications of the first model and the new model**

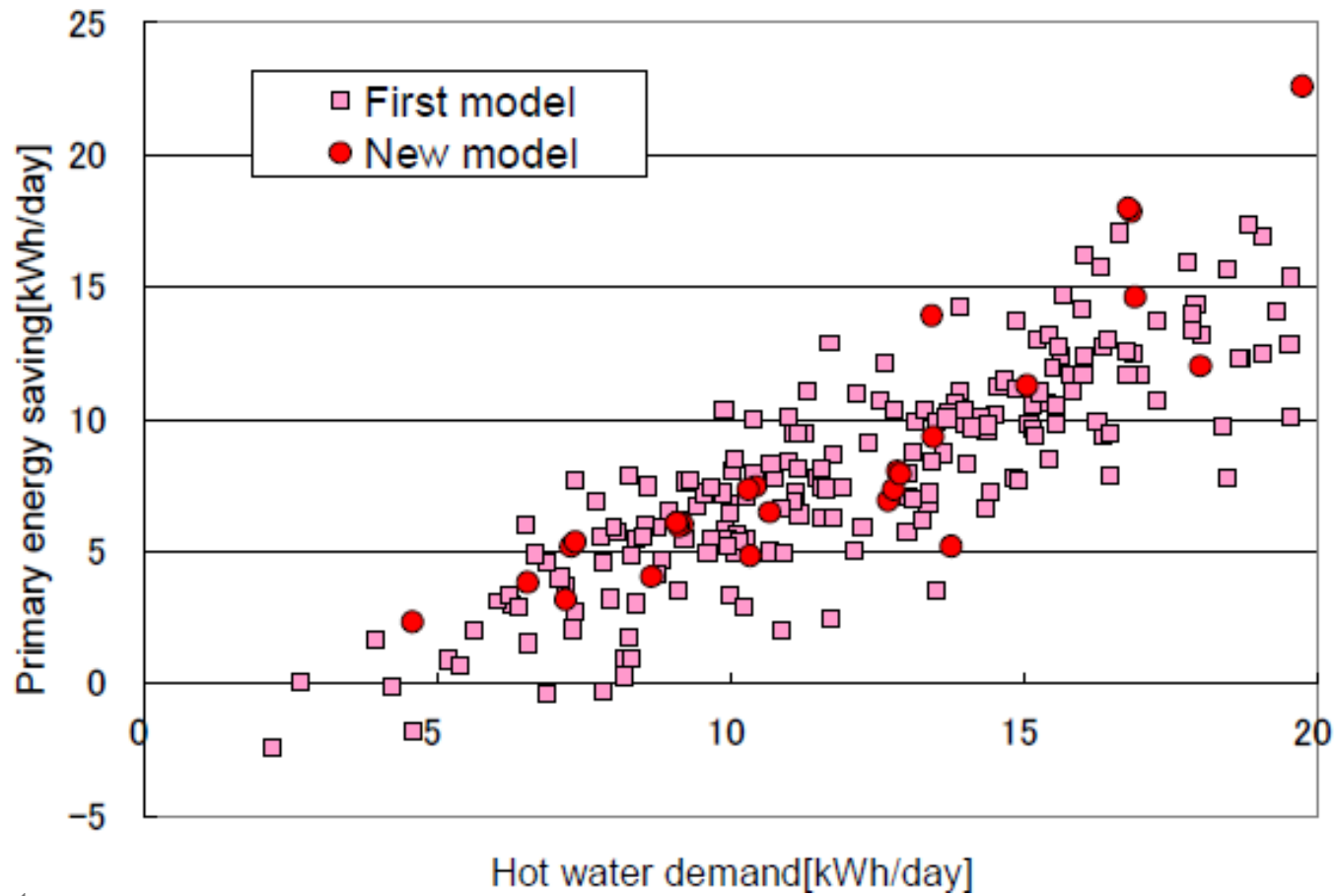
		First model	New model
Fuel type		LNG based natural gas (category 13A)	
Fuel cell unit	Max. output	1kW	0.75kW
	Min. output	0.3kW	0.25kW
	Electrical efficiency	37 % LHV/33 % HHV	40 % LHV/36% HHV
	Heat recovery efficiency	52 % LHV/47 % HHV	50 % LHV/45 % HHV
	Heat recovery temperature	60 °C	
	Dimensions	W780 D 400 H 860 mm	W315 D480 H 1883 mm
	Dry weight	125 kg	100kg
	Fuel consumption rate	3.0kW HHV	2.1kW HHV
Hot water storage unit	Dimensions	W 750 D 480 H 1883 mm	
	Dry weight	125 kg	
	Tank capacity	200 L	
	Backup burner input	64.7kW HHV	
Appearance		 <p>connected all-in-one design installation</p>	



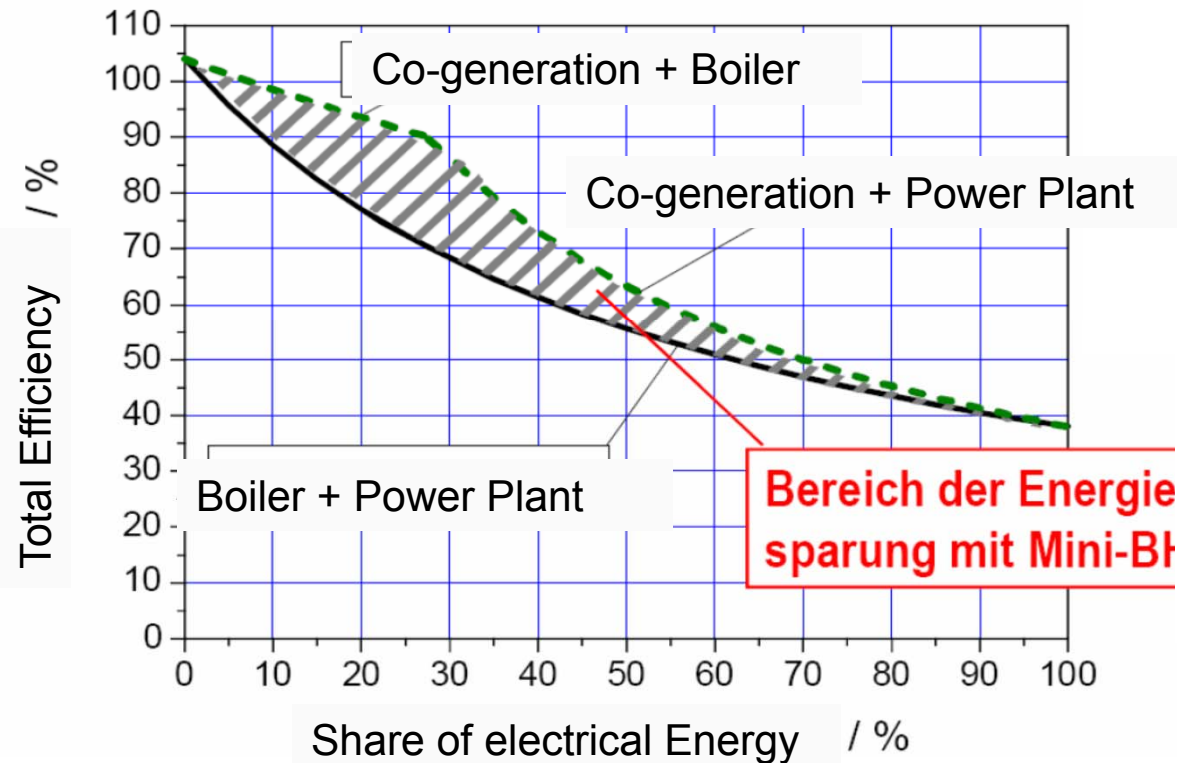
## Data from Tokyo Gas (Panasonic Fuel Cell Systems)



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# CHP in Residential Application in Germany



## Co-generation ratio

$$\eta_{el} = 25\%$$

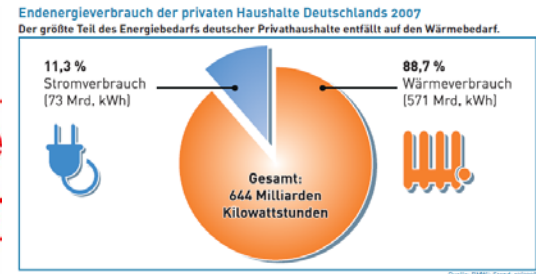
$$\eta_{th} = 65\%$$

### Boiler

$$\eta_{th} = 104\%$$

### Power Plant

$$\eta_{el} = 38\%$$



# Field Testing in Germany within the Callux Project



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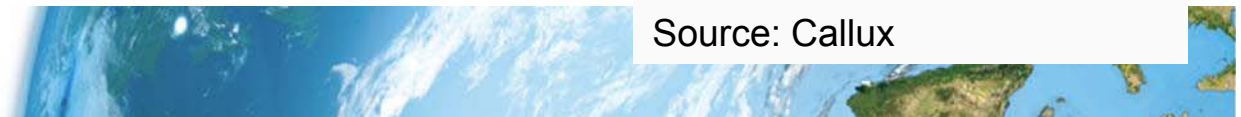
11 projects at  
callux.net



The size of a house on the map indicates  
how many projects are being  
implemented at a location.



Source: Callux



# Systems installed in the Field Test



## Baxi Innotech fuel cell heating appliance: GAMMA 1.0

**CHP section**  
 Type low-temperature PEM fuel cell (70 °C)  
 Output (e/th) max. 1.0 kW<sub>e</sub>/1.8 kW<sub>th</sub>  
 Modulation range approx. 100 – 30% PeN  
 Fuel natural gas, biomethane  
 Electrical efficiency (NCV) 32%  
 Total CHP efficiency > 91%

**Integrated auxiliary heater**  
 Type condensing appliance  
 Output 3.5-15 kW or 3.5-20 kW  
 Efficiency 109% (η<sub>N</sub> at 40/30 °C)

**Complete system**  
 Total efficiency > 97% (to EN 50465 with 60/40 °C flow/return)  
 Dimensions (mm) 600 long x 600 wide x 1,600 high  
 Weight approx. 200 kg  
 Housing coated, fully enclosed  
 Natural gas pressure 20/25 mbar (EN 437)  
 Electrical connection 230 V/50 Hz  
 Operating mode power-controlled, heat-controlled, energy manager-controlled; central control (virtual power plant)



## Hexis fuel cell heating appliance: Galileo 1000 N

**CHP section**  
 Type solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC)  
 Output (e/th) 1.0 kW<sub>e</sub>/2.0 kW<sub>th</sub>  
 Modulation range 100-50%  
 Fuel natural gas, biomethane  
 Electrical efficiency (NCV) > 30-35%  
 Total CHP efficiency > 92%

**Integrated auxiliary heater**  
 Type condensing appliance  
 Output 4-20 kW  
 Efficiency 109% (η<sub>N</sub> at 40/30 °C)

**Complete system**  
 Total efficiency > 95% (to EN 50465 at 60/40 °C flow/return)  
 Dimensions (mm) 550 long x 550 wide x 1,600 high  
 Weight approx. 170 kg  
 Housing coated, fully enclosed  
 Natural gas pressure 20-25 mbar (EN 437)  
 Electrical connection 230 V/50 Hz  
 Operating mode heat-controlled, energy manager-controlled; remote control option

## Vaillant fuel cell heating appliance

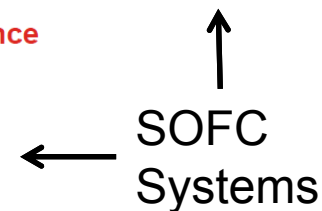
### (Technical target values)



Type solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC)  
 Output (e/th) max. 1.0 kW<sub>e</sub>/2.0 kW<sub>th</sub>  
 Application single-family home  
 Fuel natural gas, biomethane  
 Electrical efficiency (NCV) 30%  
 Total CHP efficiency 80 – 85%

**Appliance data**  
 Dimensions (mm) 600 long x 625 wide x 986 high  
 Weight approx. 150 kg  
 Housing coated, fully enclosed  
 Natural gas pressure 20-25 mbar (EN 437)  
 Electrical connection 230 V/ 50 Hz  
 Operating mode heat-controlled, energy manager-controlled; remote control option

**External peak heater**  
 Type condensing appliance  
 Output configuration as required by user  
 Efficiency 109% ( η<sub>N</sub> at 40/30 °C)



## PEM Fuel Cell System

### Baxi Innotech fuel cell heating appliance: GAMMA 1.0



#### CHP section

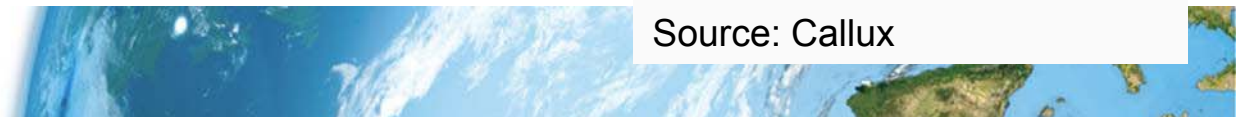
Type	low-temperature PEM fuel cell (70 °C)
Output (e/th)	max. 1.0 kWe/1.8 kWth
Modulation range	approx. 100 – 30% PeN
Fuel	natural gas, biomethane
Electrical efficiency (NCV)	32%
Total CHP efficiency	> 91%

#### Integrated auxiliary heater

Type	condensing appliance
Output	3.5-15 kW or 3.5-20 kW
Efficiency	109% ( $\eta_N$ at 40/30 °C)

#### Complete system

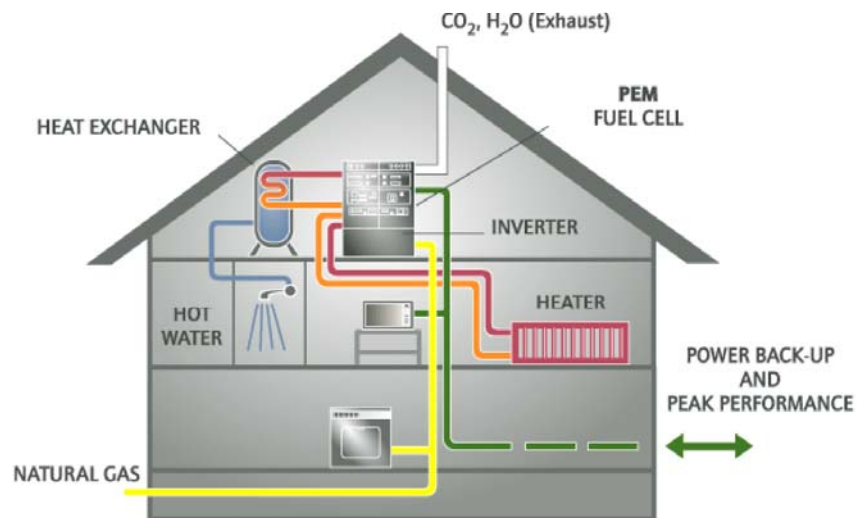
Total efficiency	> 97% (to EN 50465 with 60/40 °C flow/return)
Dimensions (mm)	600 long x 600 wide x 1,600 high
Weight	approx. 200 kg
Housing	coated, fully enclosed
Natural gas pressure	20/25 mbar (EN 437)
Electrical connection	230 V/50 Hz
Operating mode	power-controlled, heat-controlled, energy manager-controlled; central control (virtual power plant)





## Business Case for Germany / Baxi Innotech

Fuel cell heating CHP for single family homes with natural gas supply



The Micro CHP Fuel Cell Heating Unit supplies ...

... 100% of the heat demand of a single-family house

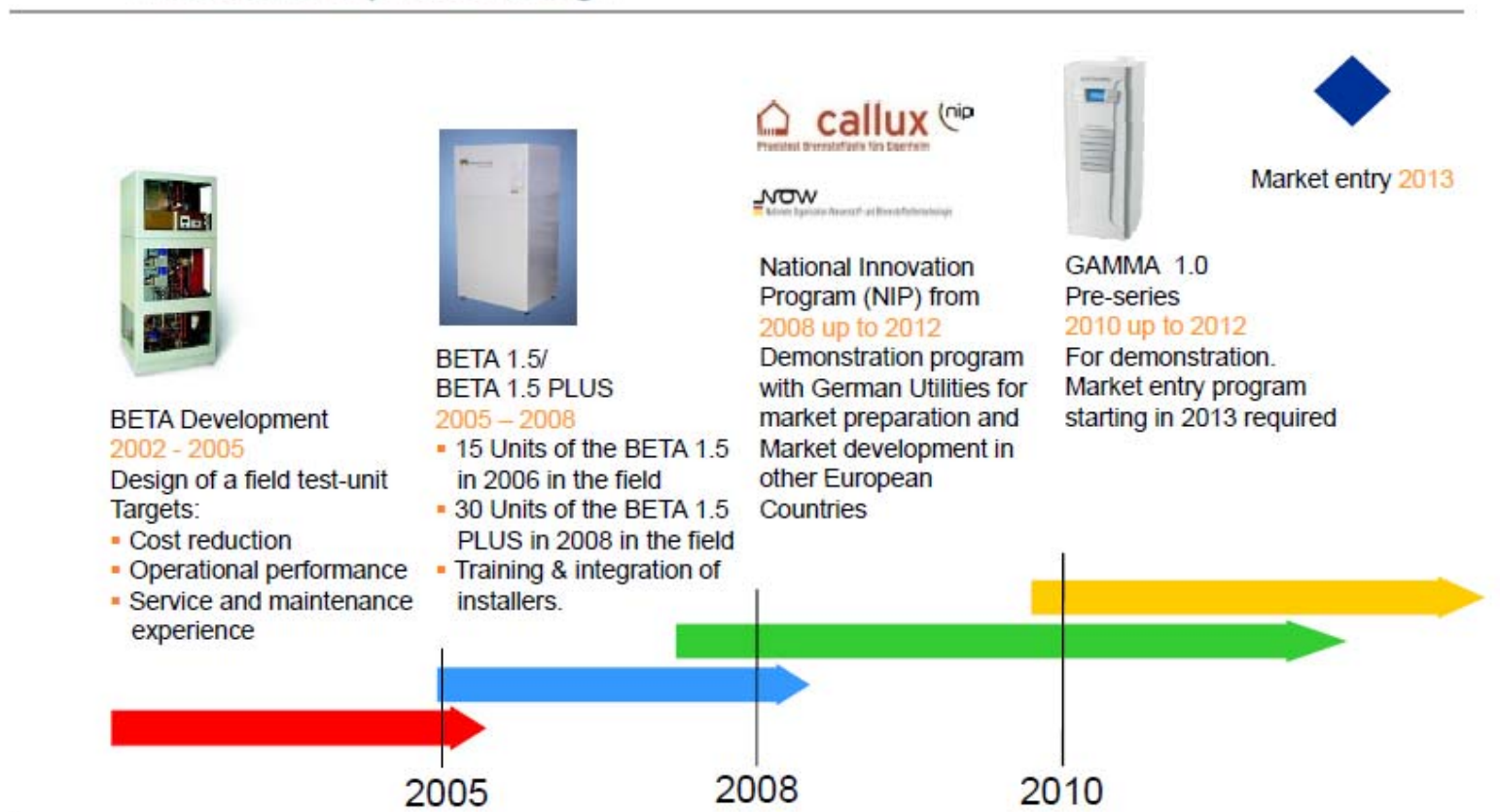
... and produces 5000-6000 kWh of electricity

... proportional coverage of up to 73% of the electrical consumption of the house.



# BAXI Innotech Roadmap

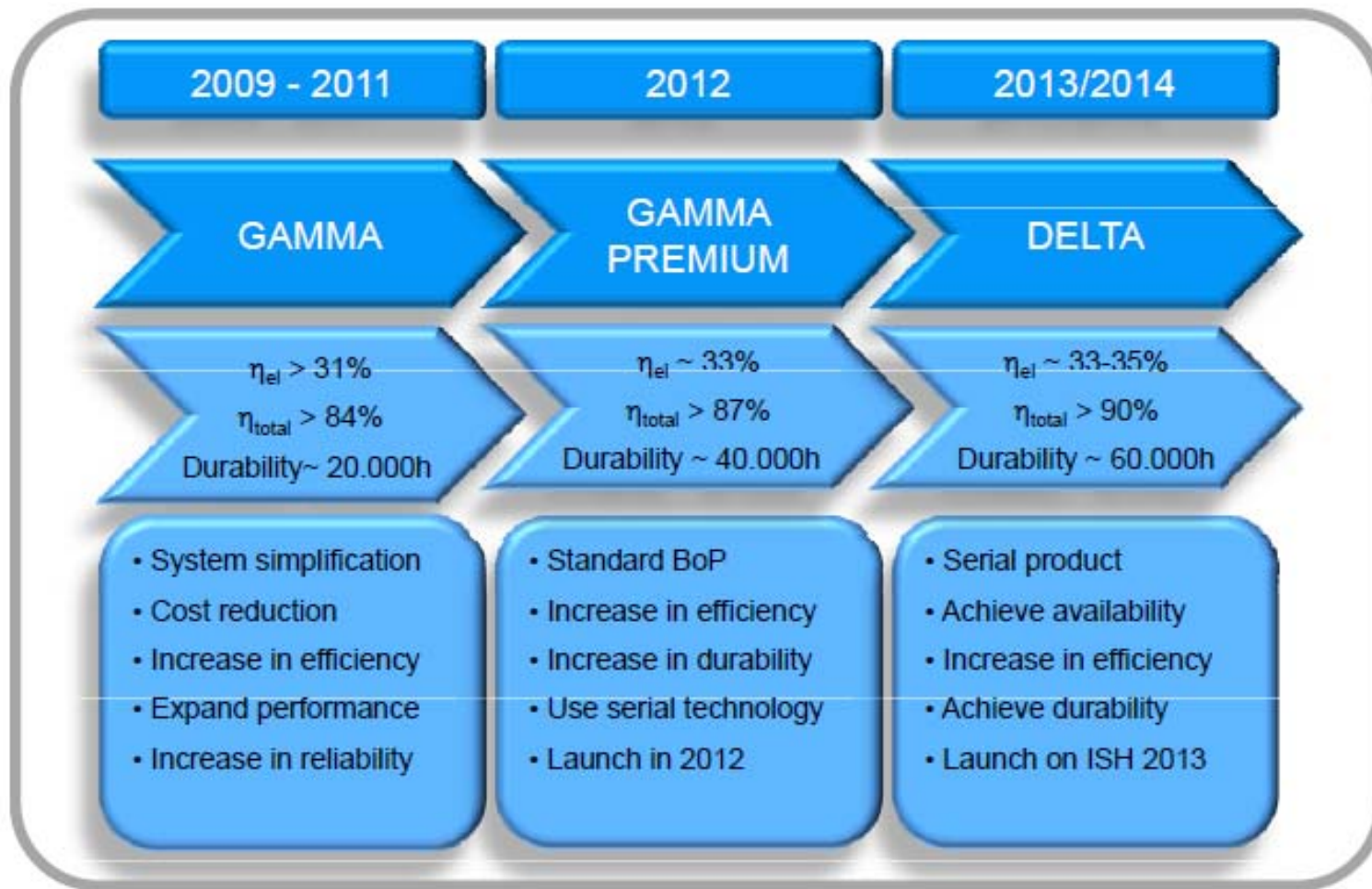
## Milestones of product design



Source: Baxi Innotech



## BAXI Innotech Roadmap



## Fuel Cell Technologies – Short Comparison

### Low Temperature PEFC

- Excellent chemical and mechanical stability
- High proton conductivity :
  - $10^{-2}$  -  $10^{-1}$  S/cm
- Depending on temperature, degree of membrane hydration...
- Lifetime in FC operation > 60,000 h
- High cost
- Instability at high temperature - current membrane technology appropriate for functioning at  $\leq 80^{\circ}$  C

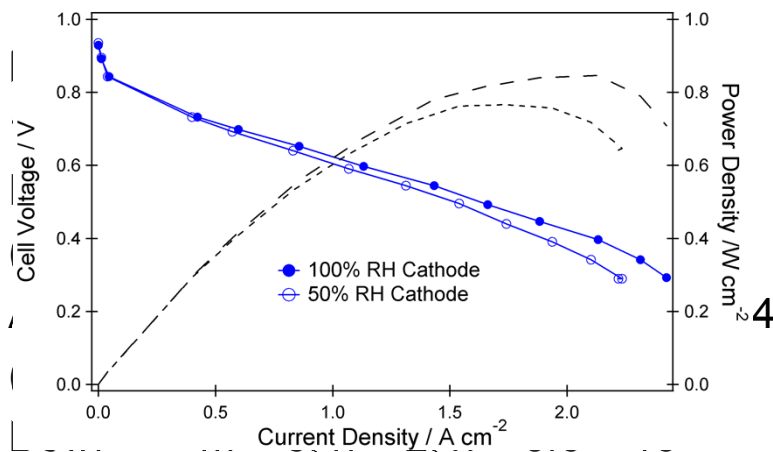
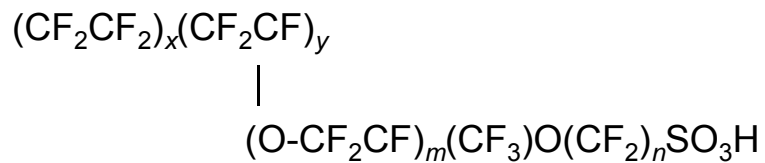
### High Temperature PEFC

- PBI is a basic polymer and forms complexes with acids. Phosphoric acid "doped" membranes. Generally around 6 mol  $H_3PO_4$ /PBI unit (RT doping); ca. 16 (HT doping)
- Acid is the electrolyte, polymer a "support"
- High conductivity at low relative humidity
- $150 - 200^{\circ}$  C
- Low electroosmotic drag.
- acid elution possible when liquid water is formed
- No cold start capability



# Fuel Cell Technologies – Membrane Comparison

Nafion® - DuPont - perfluorinated polymer with perfluorosulfonic acid side groups

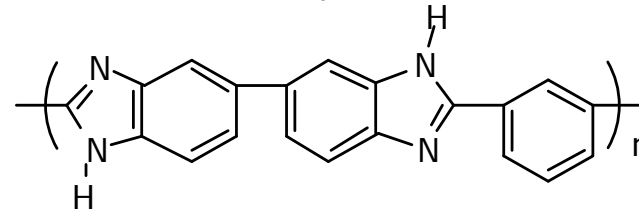


CCM: Gore PRIMEA

Anode: 0.1 mg Pt /cm² Cathode: 0.4 mg Pt /cm²

p H<sub>2</sub>: 1.5 bar<sub>a</sub>; p Air: 1.5 bar<sub>a</sub>

Polybenzimidazol – high temperature polymer



"Celazole" PBI

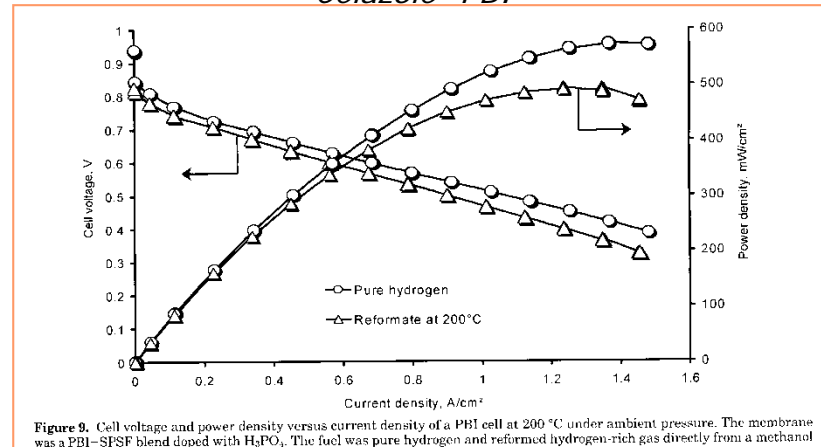


Figure 9. Cell voltage and power density versus current density of a PBI cell at 200 °C under ambient pressure. The membrane was a PBI-SPSF blend doped with H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>. The fuel was pure hydrogen and reformed hydrogen-rich gas directly from a methanol

atmospheric pressure; 0.45 mg Pt/cm<sup>2</sup>  
peak power density 500 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>



# High Temperature PEFC for micro CHP in the US

## ClearEdge5: A New Energy Solution



- **Lower cost than grid:** LCOE as low as \$0.09 per commercial kWh and \$0.12 per residential kWh<sup>1</sup>
- **Cleaner than grid:** 37% less CO<sub>2</sub> with untraceable levels of NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>x</sub>
- **Continuous base-load power:** Provides clean, uninterrupted power 24x7 including during grid disturbances
- **High efficiency:** Up to 90% CHP energy efficiency and designed for 40% electrical efficiency
- **Scalable with multi-fuel capacity:** Easily installed in multi-unit configuration. Currently utilizing natural gas, future versions expected to operate on biogas or propane
- **Aesthetic design:** Compact and quiet system operates indoors or outdoors

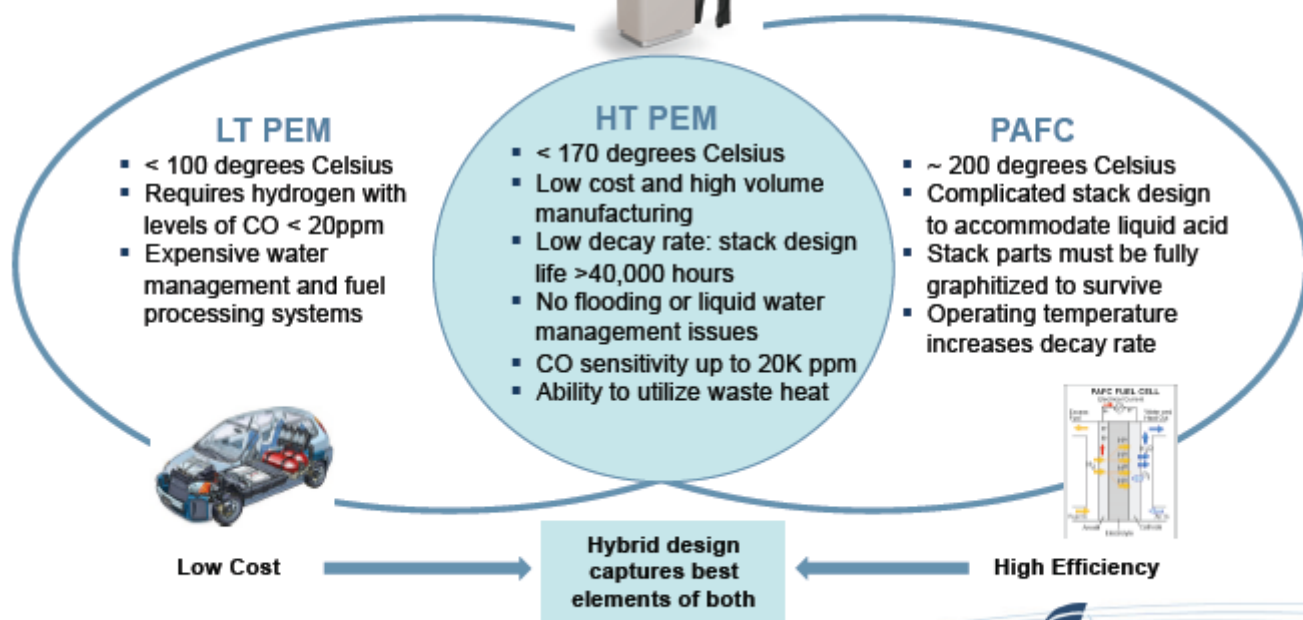
<sup>1</sup> Levelized cost of energy applies to initial launch market of California.



Source: ClearEdge Power

# High Temperature PEFC for micro CHP in the US

## Unique Platform Design



## Backup Power Application for Fuel Cell Systems

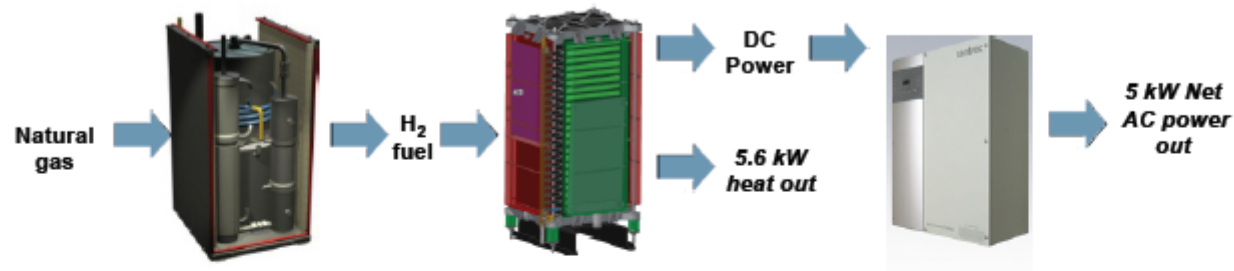
Main Requirement	Specification
Number of start / stop cycles per year	Few cycles (some for maintenance and auto tests)
Operating hours per year	1 to 100 h
Probability of non start up	About $10^{-3}$ /starts
MTBF <i>Mean Time Between Failure</i>	About $10^{-4}$ /h
MTTR <i>Mean Time To Repair</i>	Some hours per action
MDT <i>Mean Down Time</i>	Some tens of hours per action
Life time	15 years





# System Design

## The ClearEdge5 System Architecture



### Fuel Processor

- Sulfur removal, CSR and WGS with commercially available catalyst
- No PROX or other H<sub>2</sub> cleanup system necessary
- Proven proprietary design, high durability

### Cell Stack

- HT PEM stack
- No water management or humidification
- High CO sensitivity
- High H<sub>2</sub> utilization efficiency
- High-grade waste heat helps boost electrical efficiency

### Inverter & Controls

- Commercially available inverter
- Certified for all applicable codes and standards
- Allows GC/GI operation and multiunit load sharing capability



## PEM Fuel Cells: Backup Power Systems

12 kW



Hydrogenics delivers numerous Fuel Cell Power Modules for Backup Power Applications

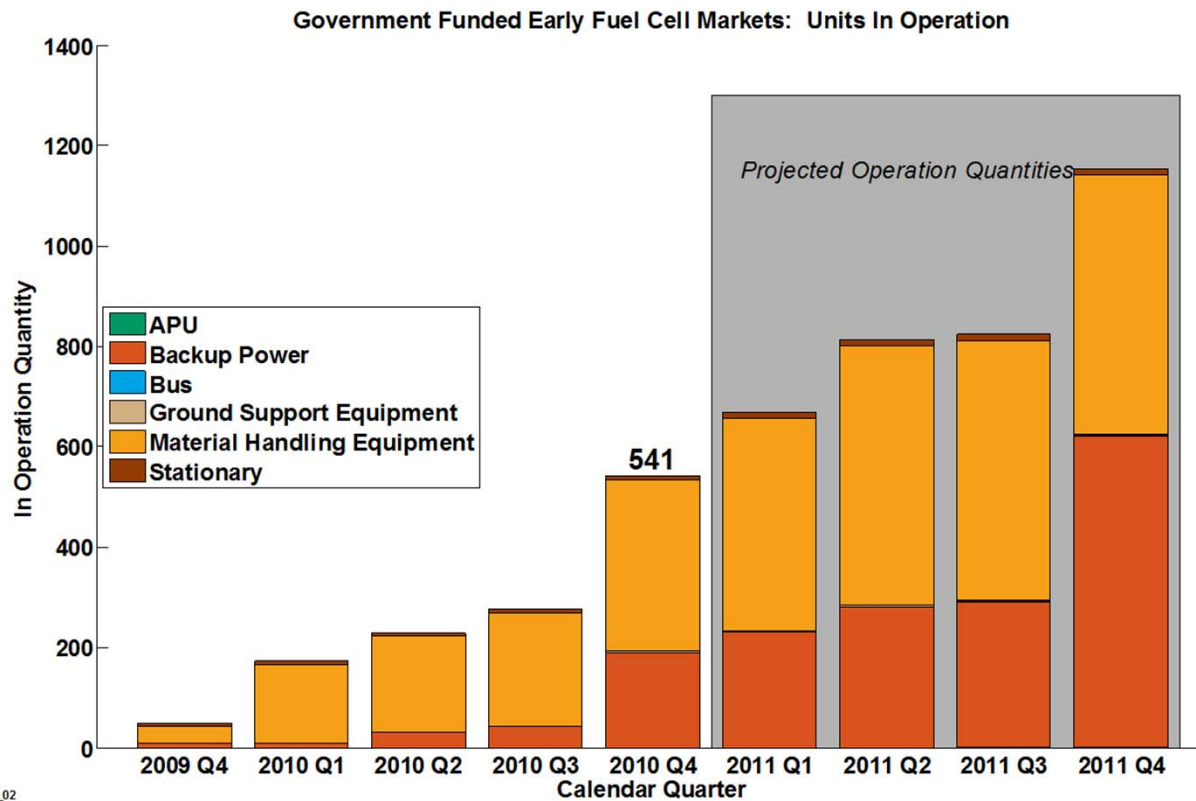


20 minutes

For e-commerce systems in urban centres this is a promising power backup option



# ARRA Demonstration Program (USA) managed by NREL



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## System Comparison: H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> vs H<sub>2</sub>/Air PEMFC

- **High reliability and availability**
- **External conditions independent**
- **Quick startup at ambient temperature**
- **Clean, quiet and pollution-free**
  
- **Electrical performances and power density of H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> systems higher than H<sub>2</sub>/Air ones :**
  - **Pure O<sub>2</sub> minimizes concentration polarization**
  - **H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> allows higher current densities than operation in air**
  - **H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> system efficiency higher than H<sub>2</sub>/Air system**
  - **No compressor : O<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> pressures depend on H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> storage pressures**
  - **No gas humidifier**

