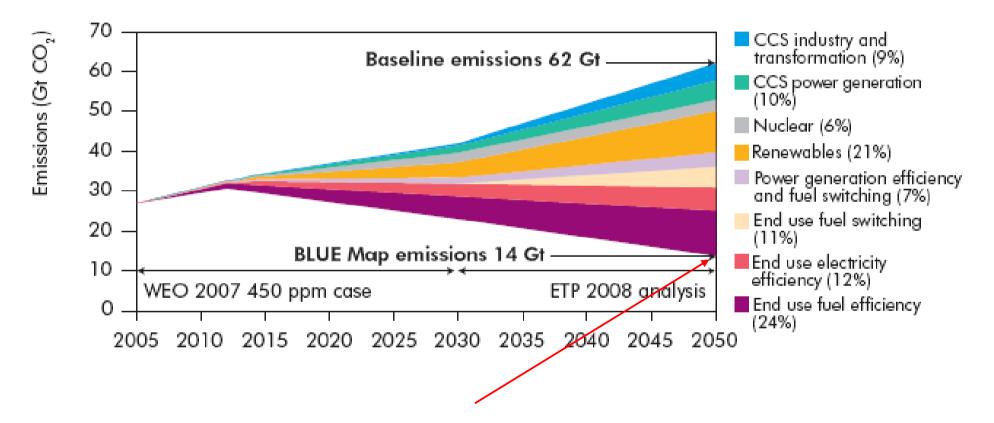
DEVELOPMENTS NEEDED IN THE PRODUCTION AND USE OF CEMENT FOR LARGE REDUCTIONS IN CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS BY 2050

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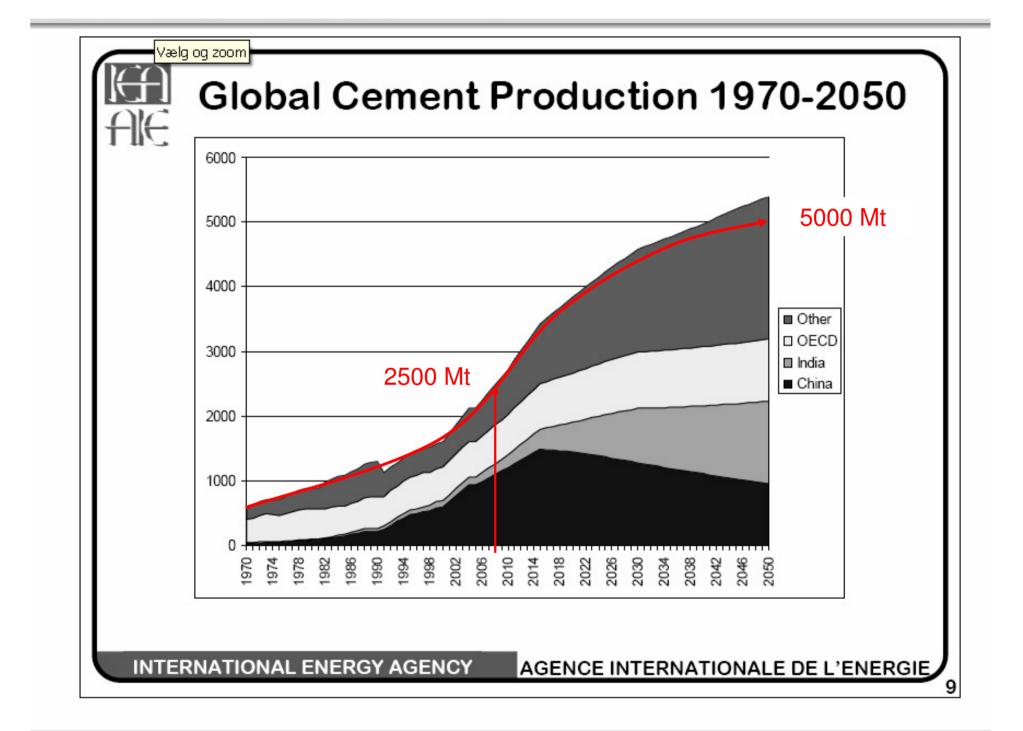
Corresponds to stabilization of  $CO_2$  concentrations at c. 500 ppm and temperature increase of 2.4 °C, and acidification of ocean above solubility product for aragonite.

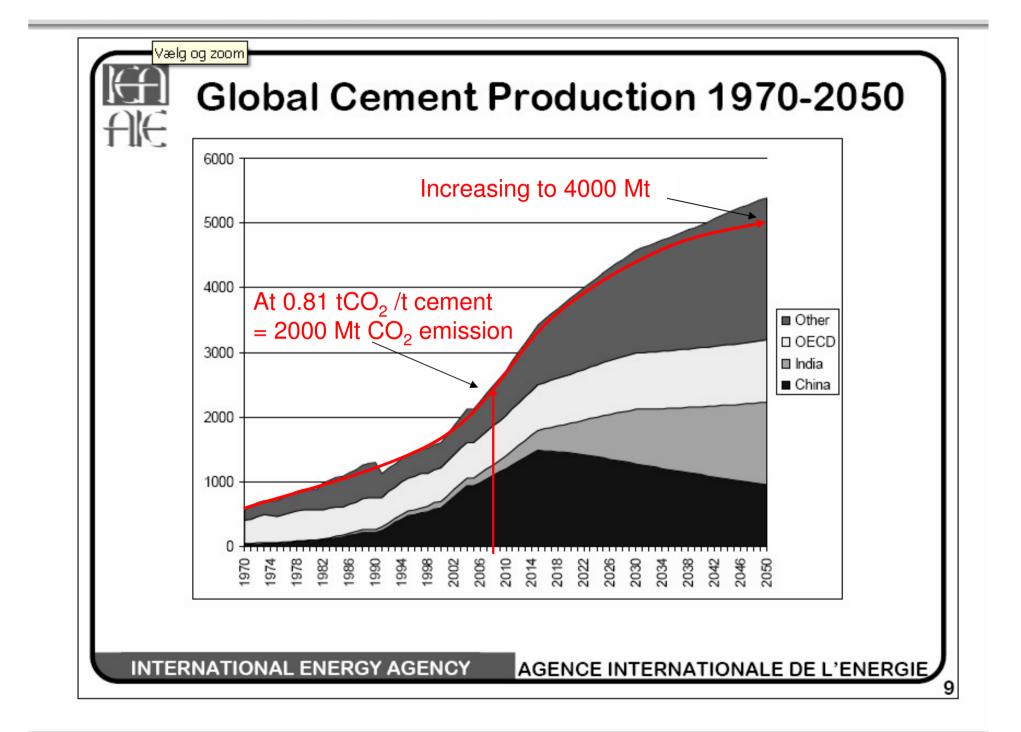


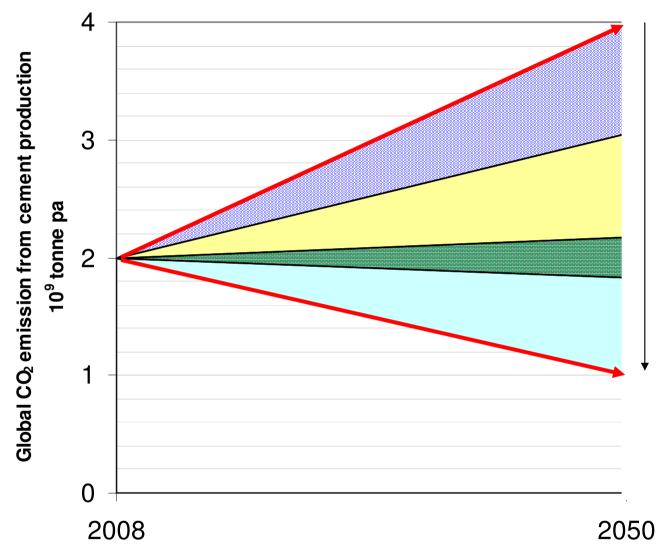
From the IEA: "Four approaches can be applied to increase the energy efficiency and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the cement industry:

- (1) increase the process energy efficiency,
- (2) use coal fuel substitutes,
- (3) capture and store  $CO_2$
- (4) develop new cement types that reduce the use of cement clinker."

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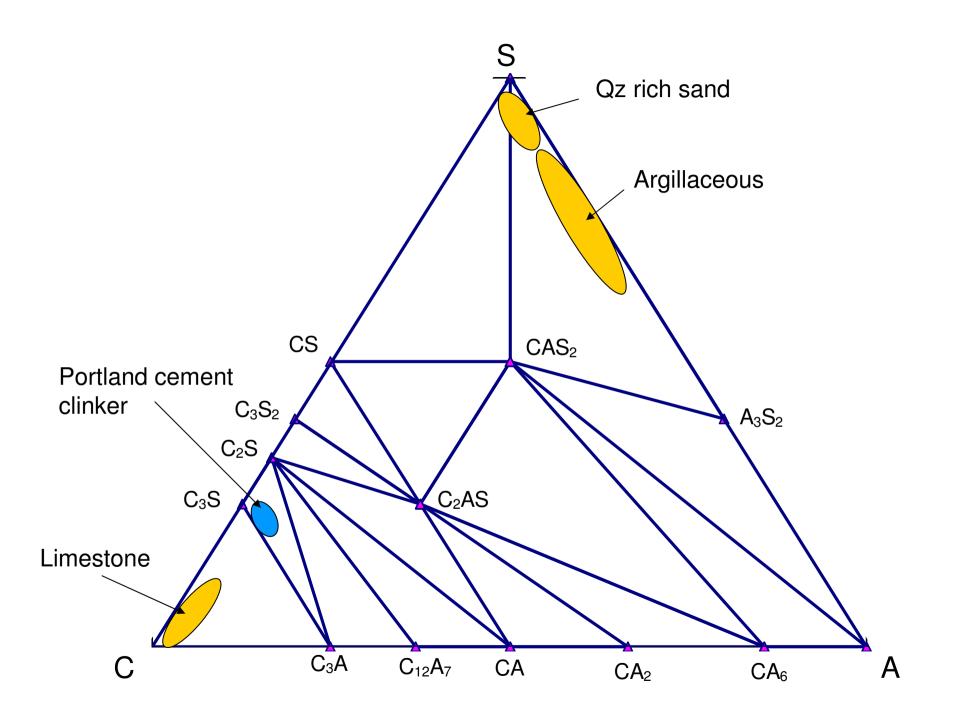
Emissions must effectively be reduced from a business as usual scenario of 4 Gt to 1 Gt CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS FROM CLINKER PRODUCTION

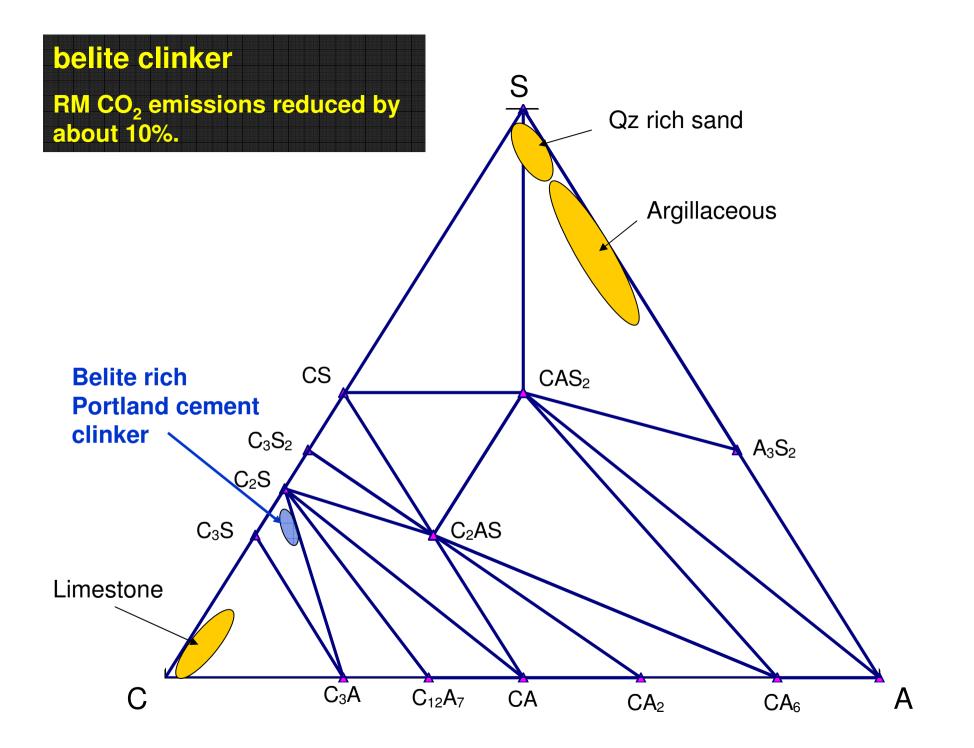
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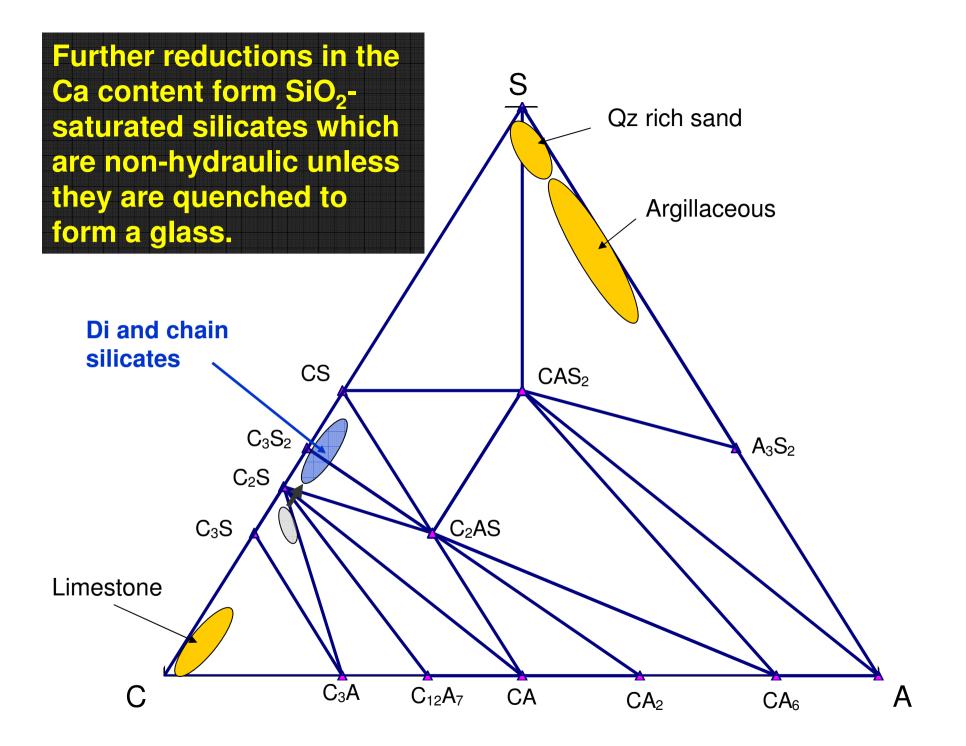
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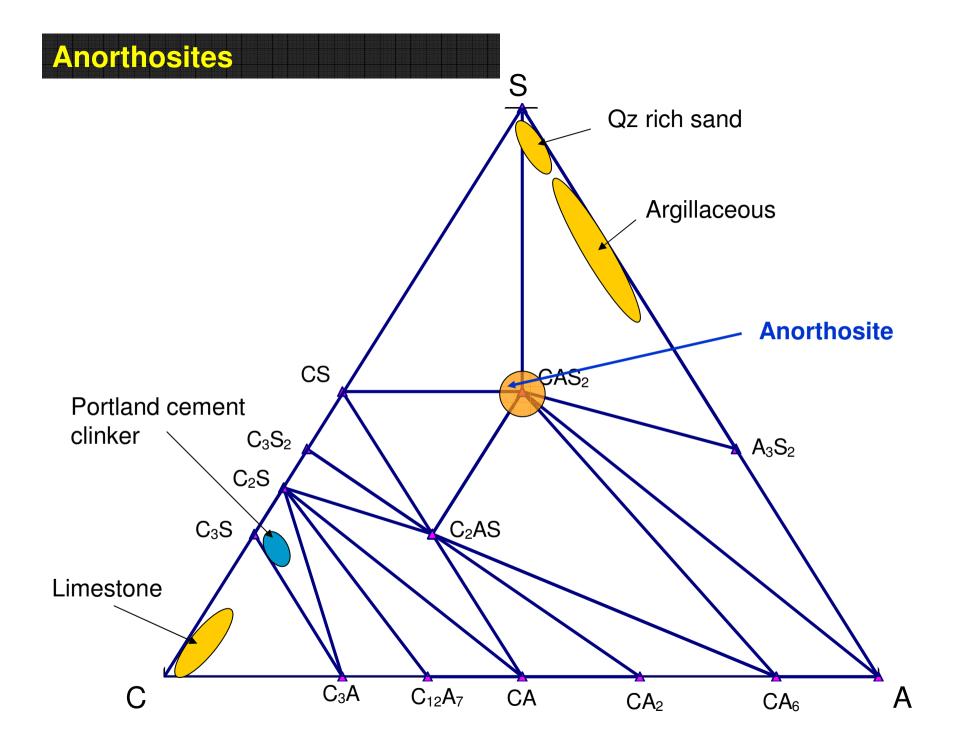
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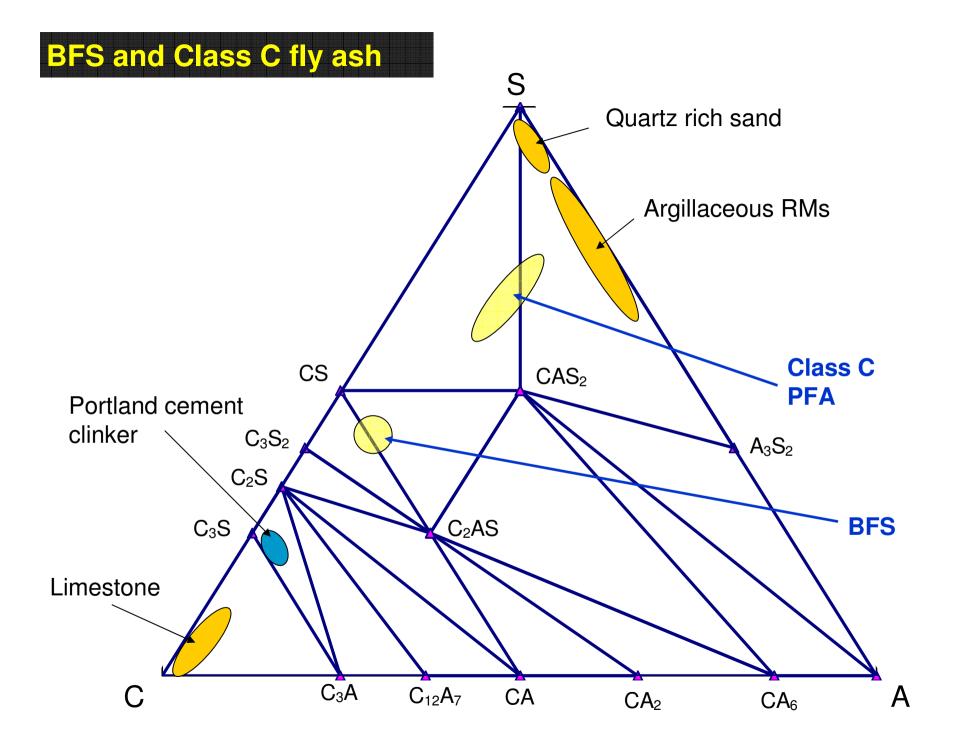






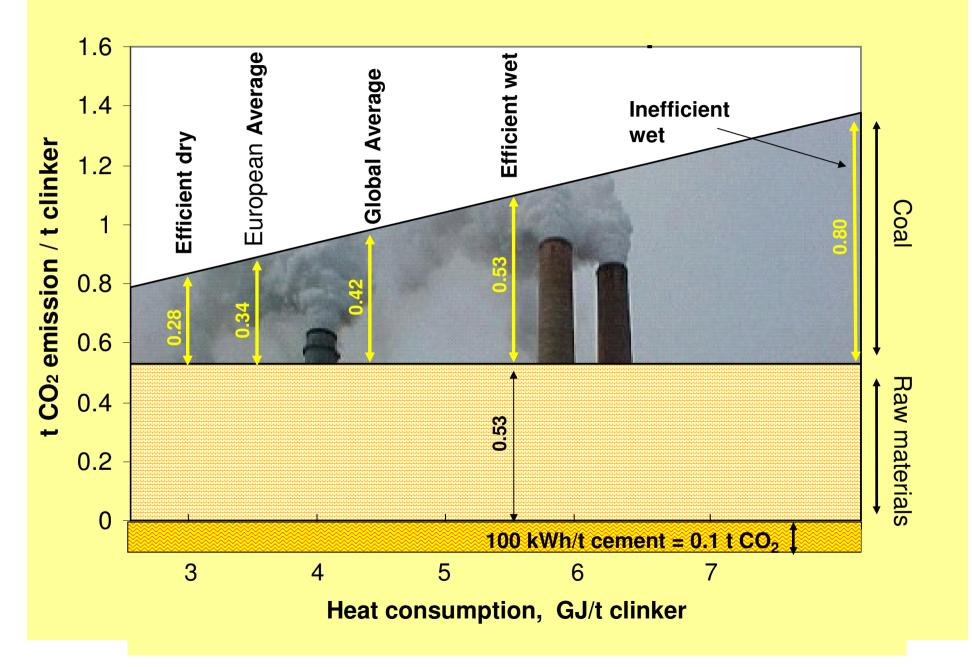


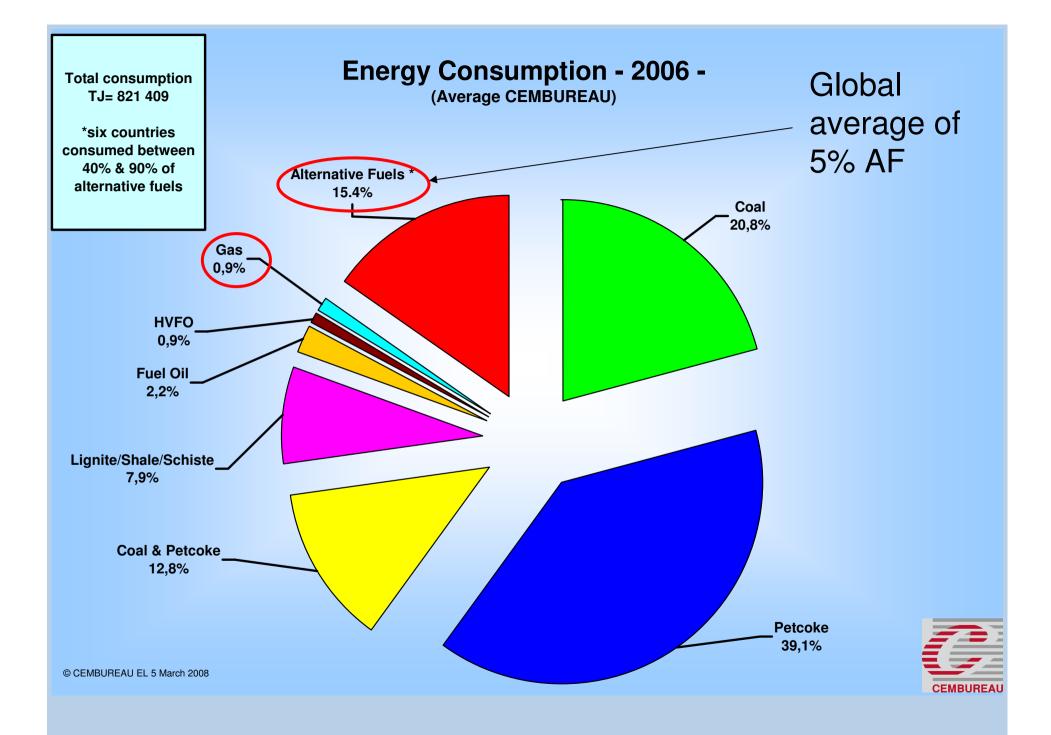


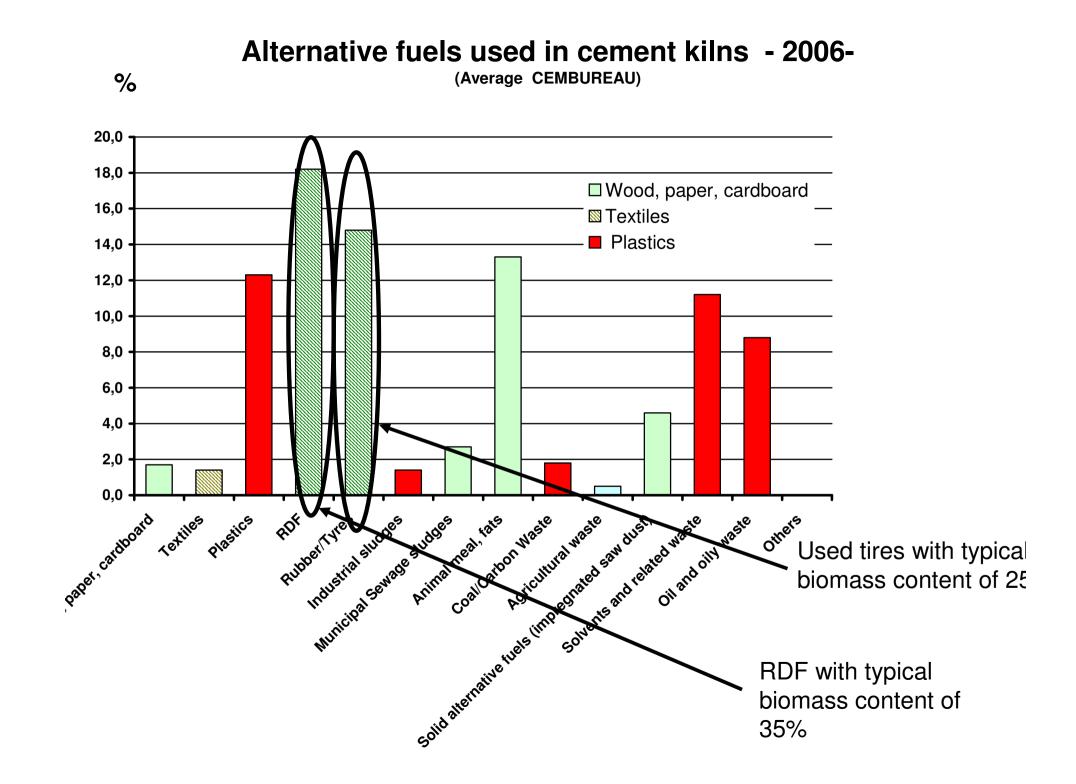


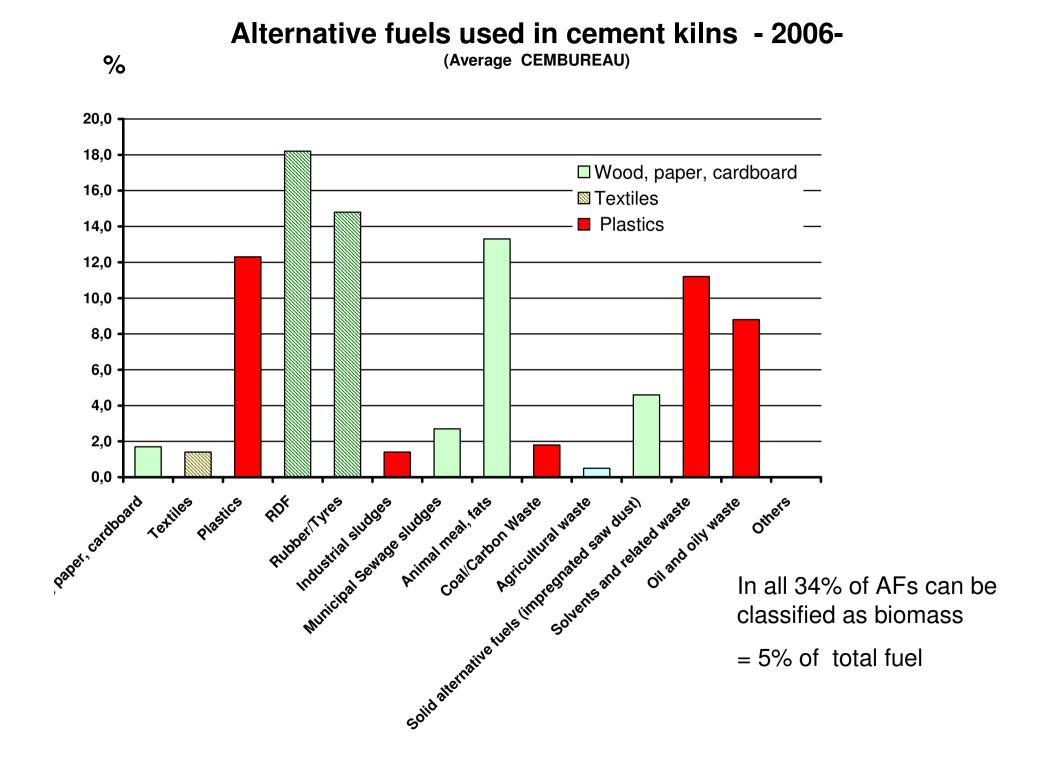
## LOW CARBON FUELS AND KILN EFFICIENCY

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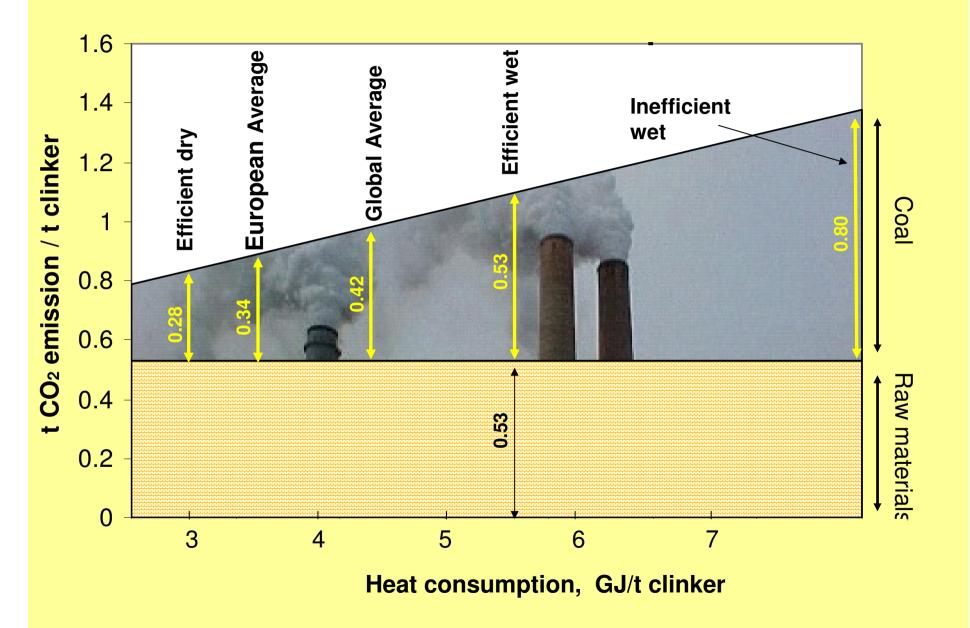




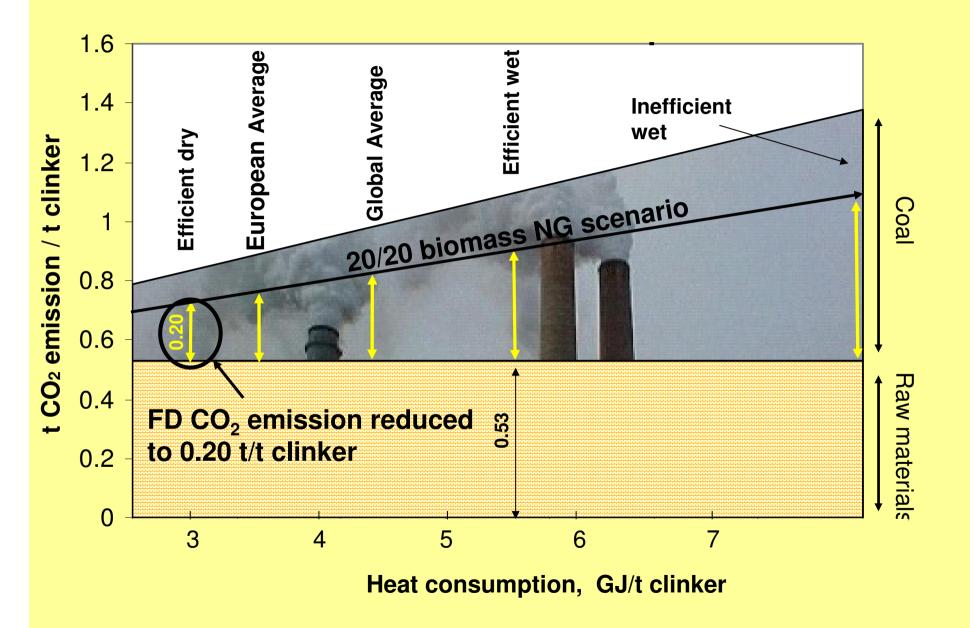


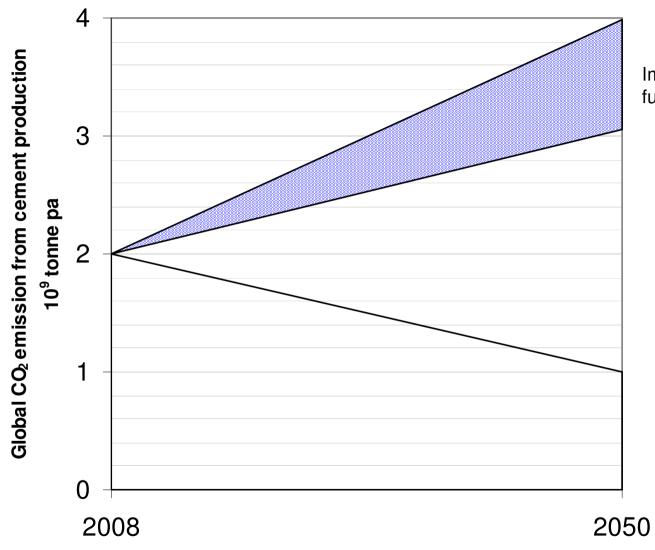


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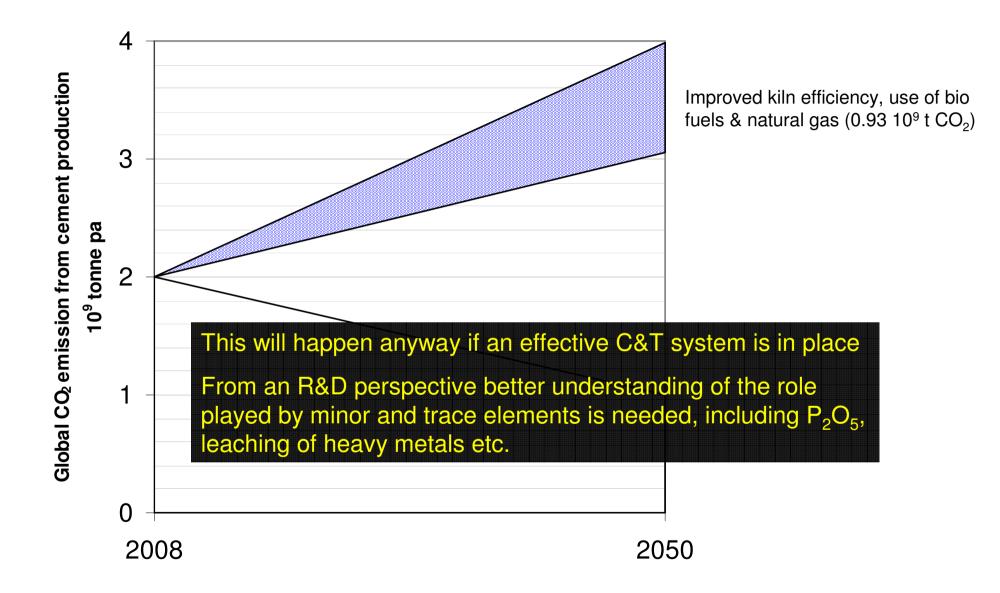


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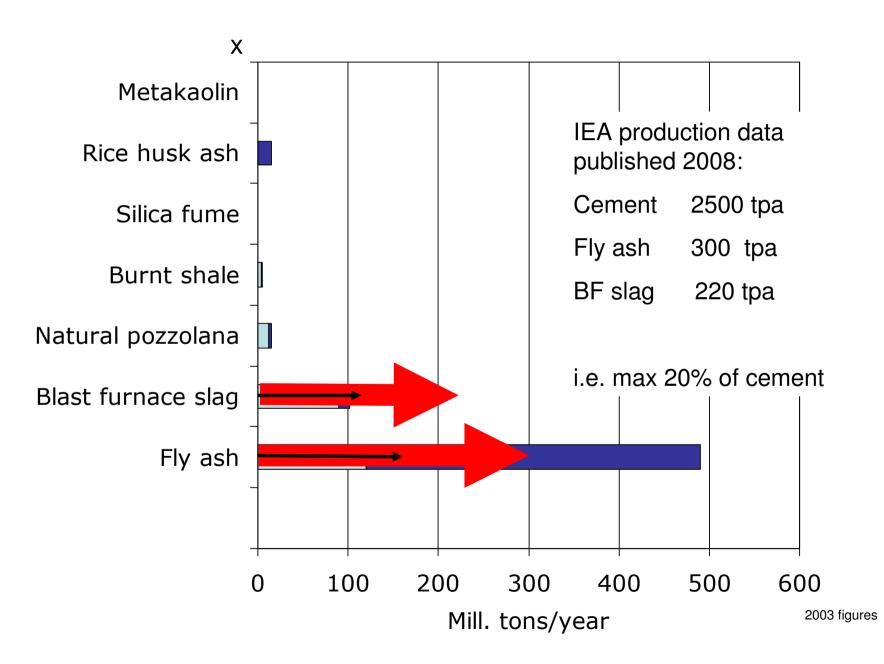


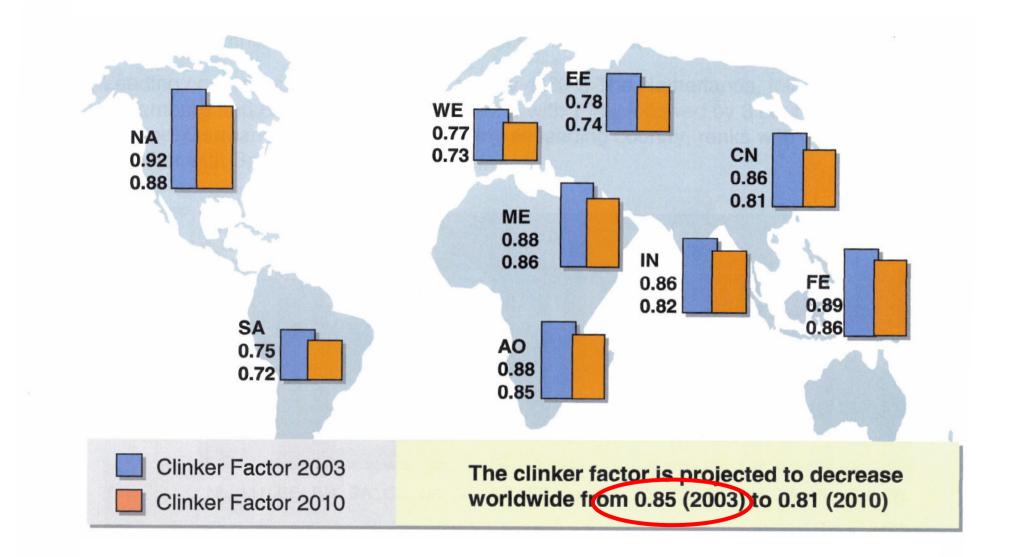
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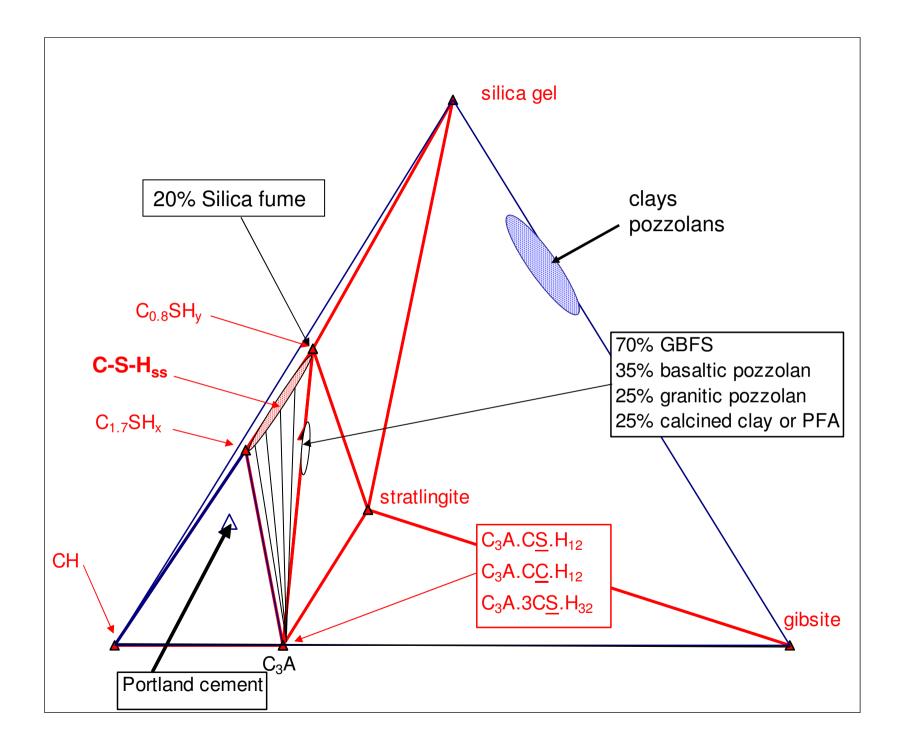


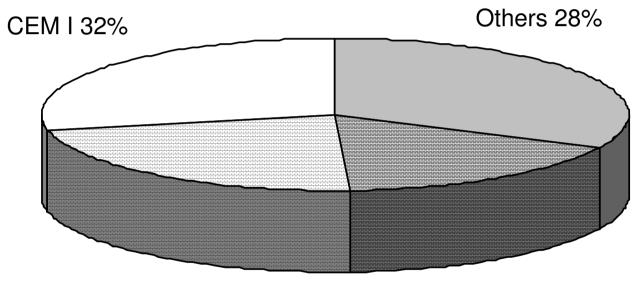
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#### Availability of supplementary cementitious materials



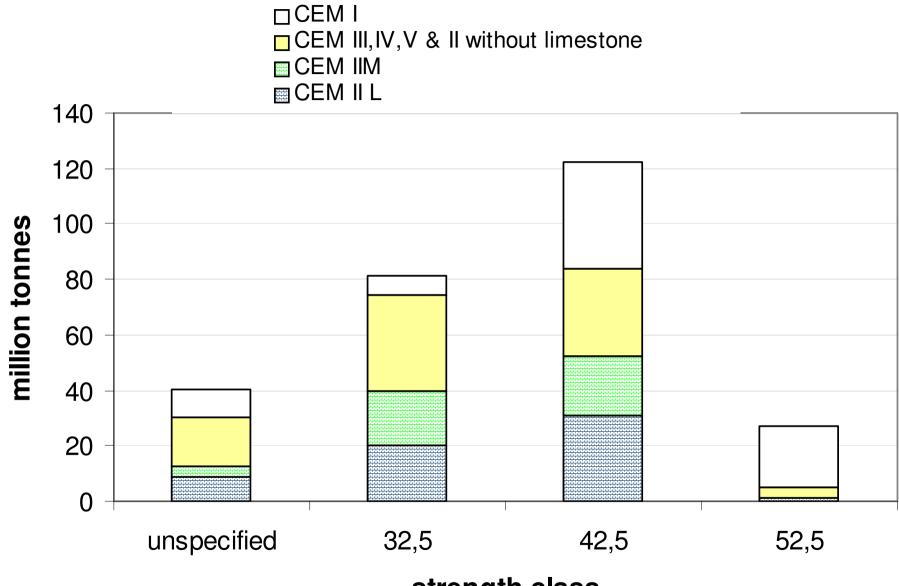




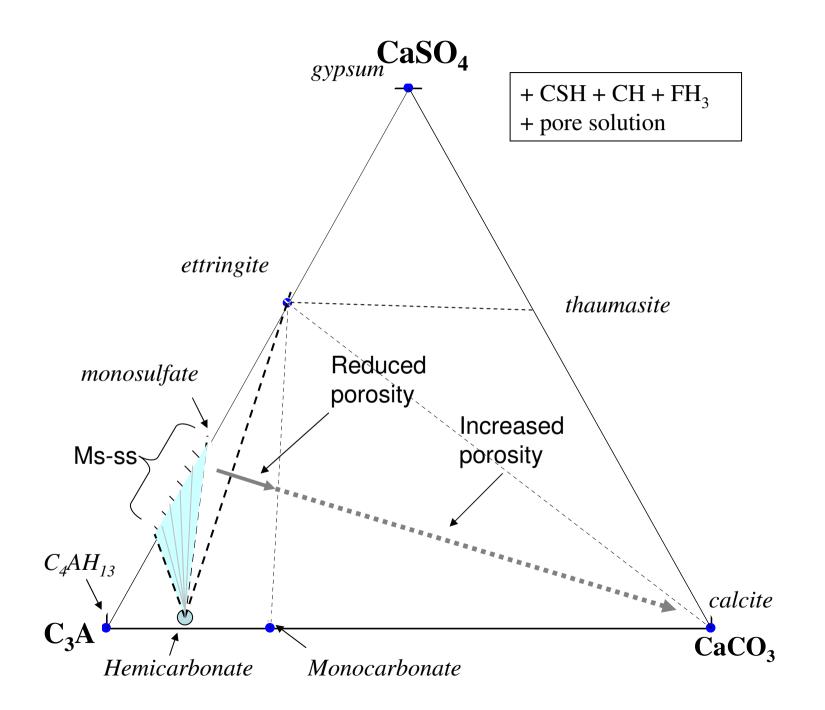




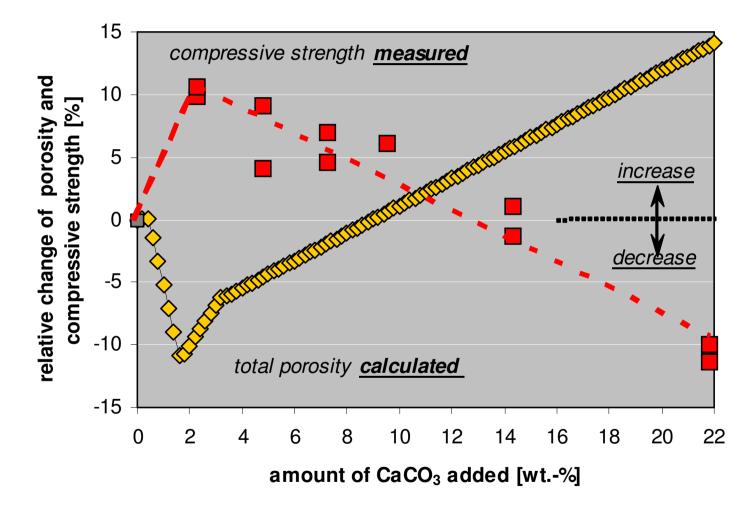
CEM II M 17%



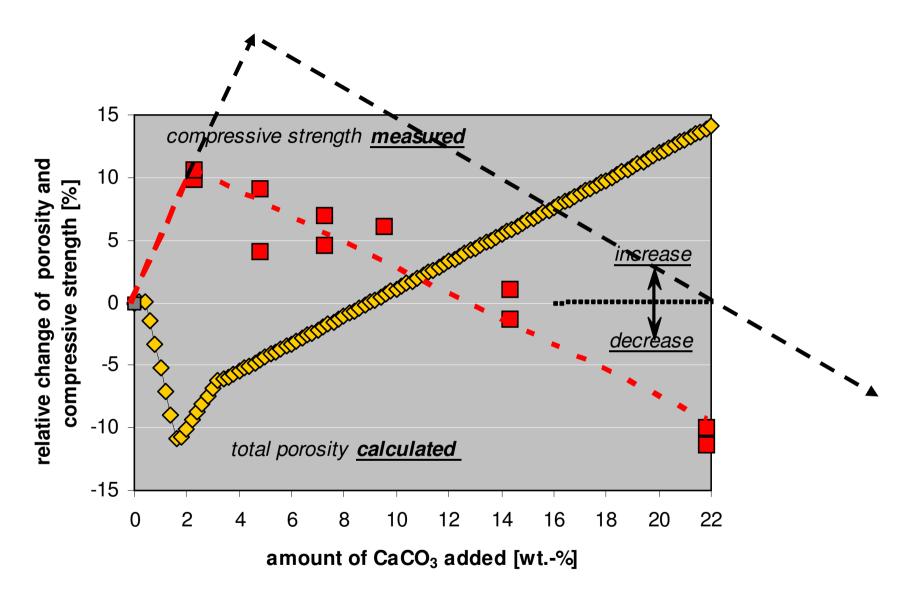
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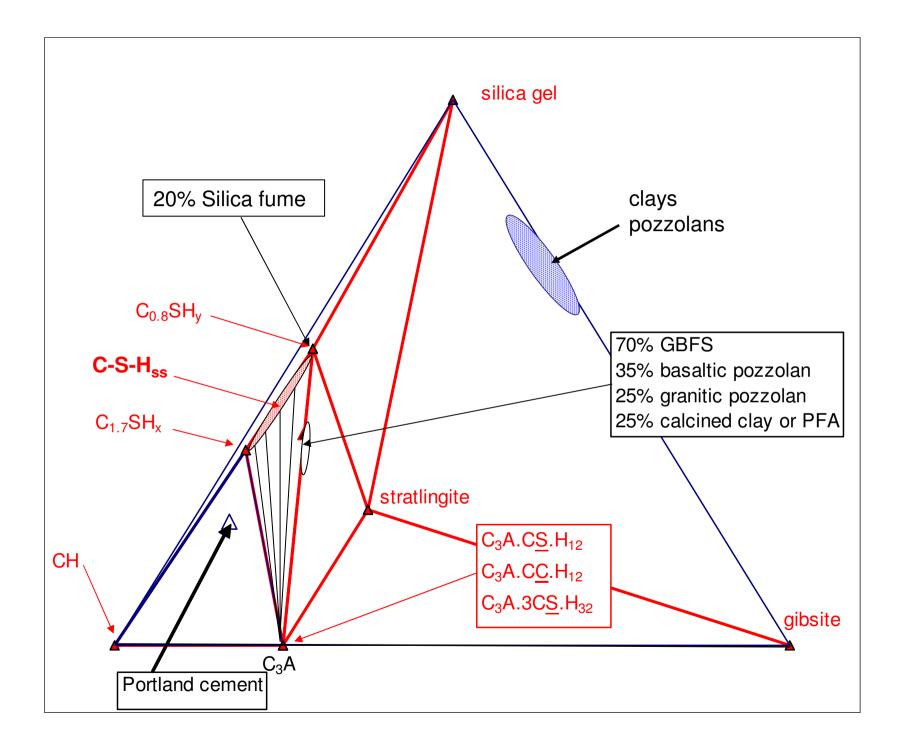
#### Correlation: Porosity – Compressive Strength (exp. Data by D. Herfort, Aalborg cement)

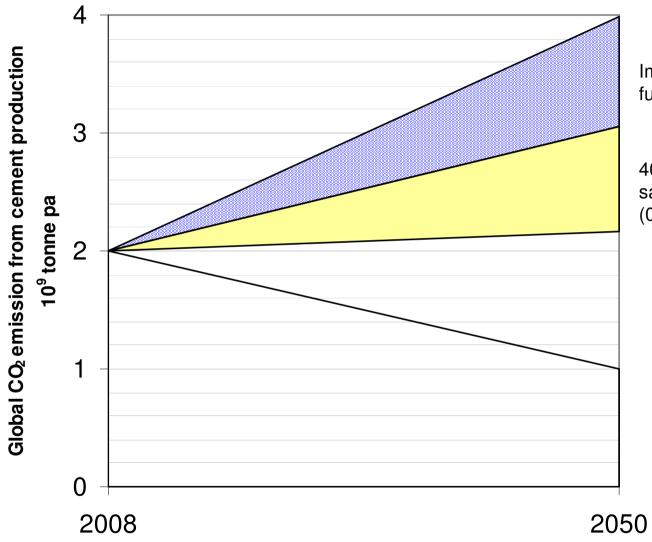


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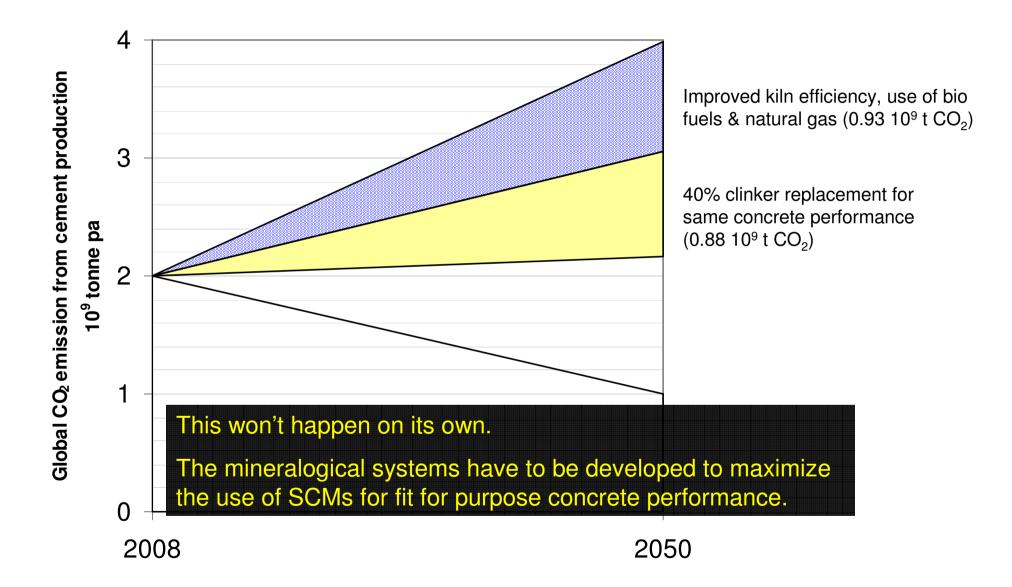
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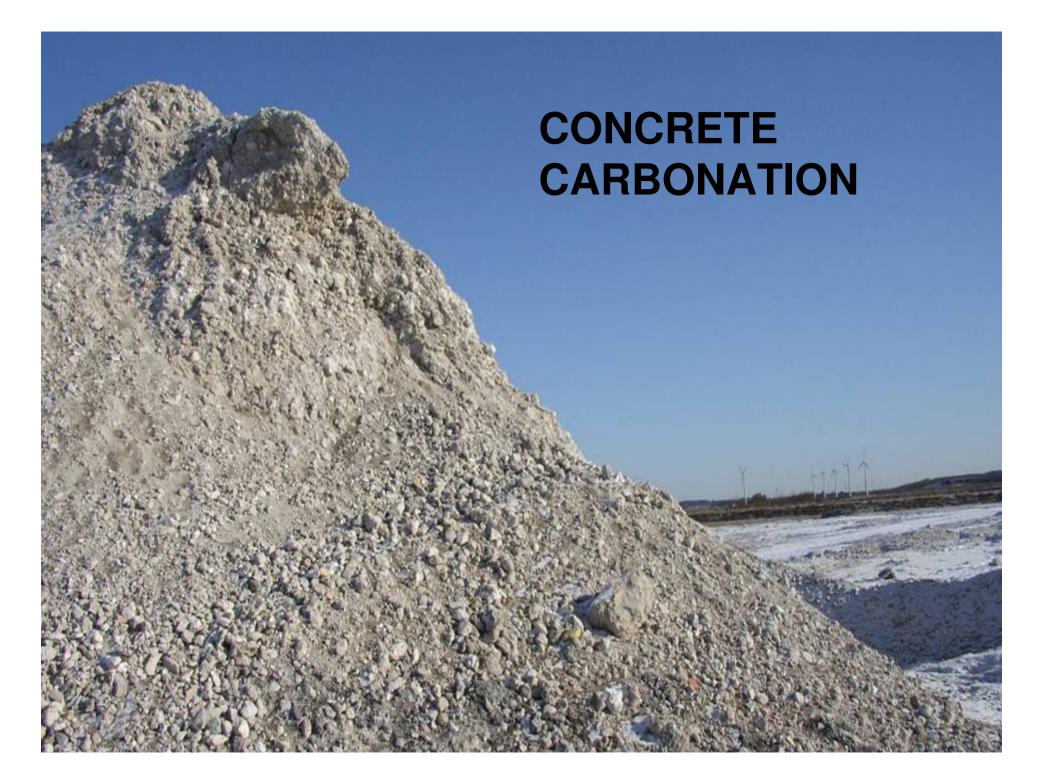


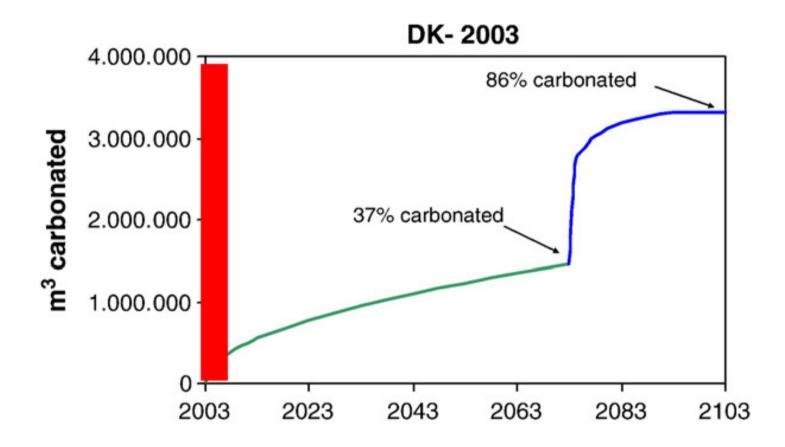
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40% clinker replacement for same concrete performance  $(0.88 \ 10^9 \ t \ CO_2)$ 

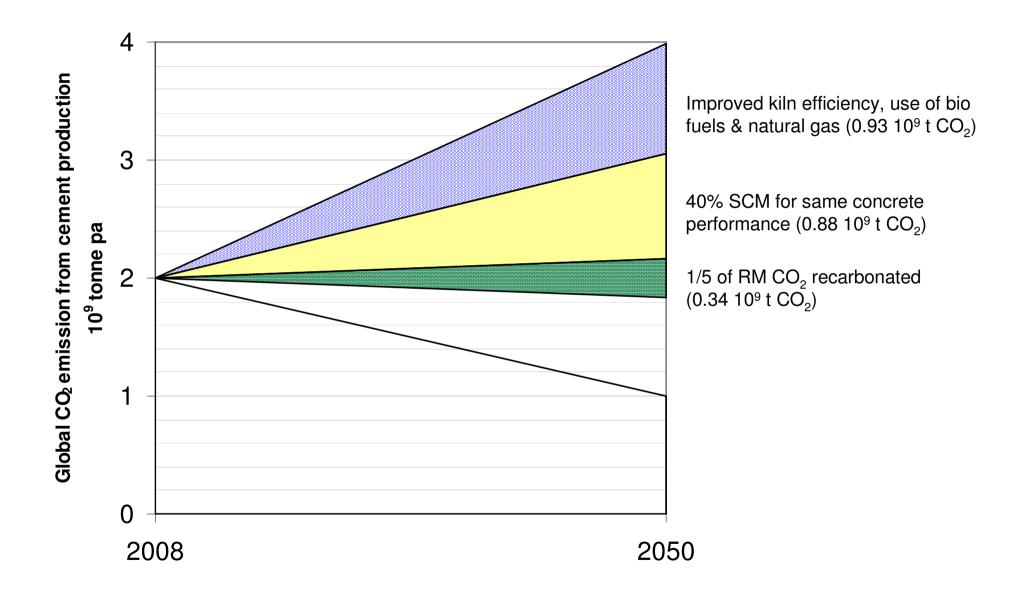


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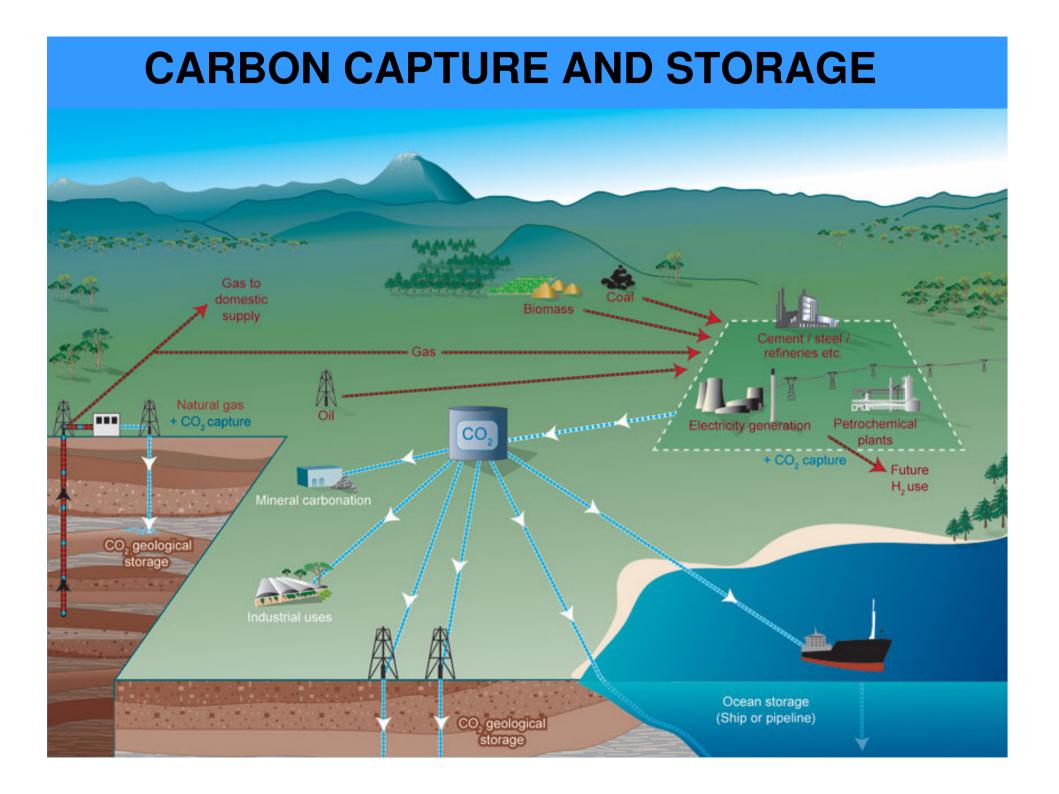


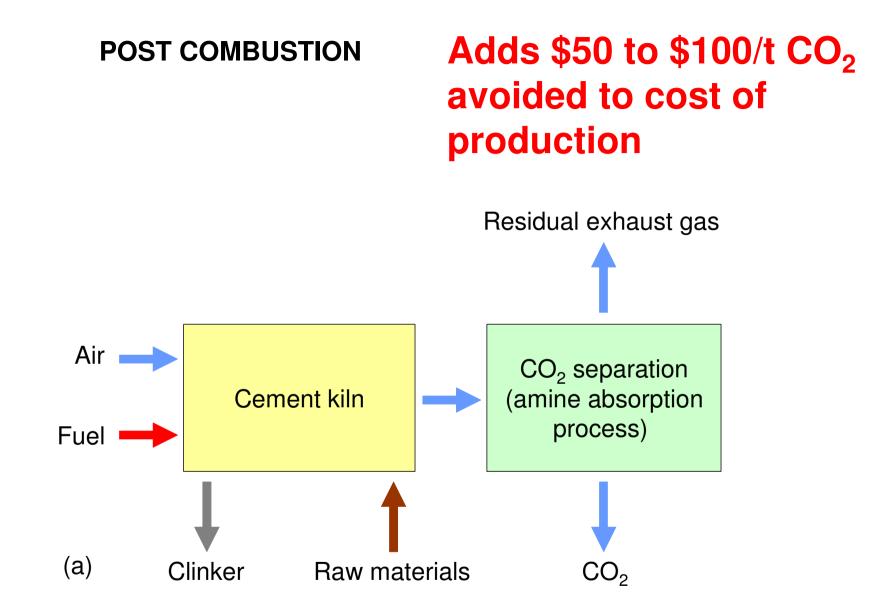


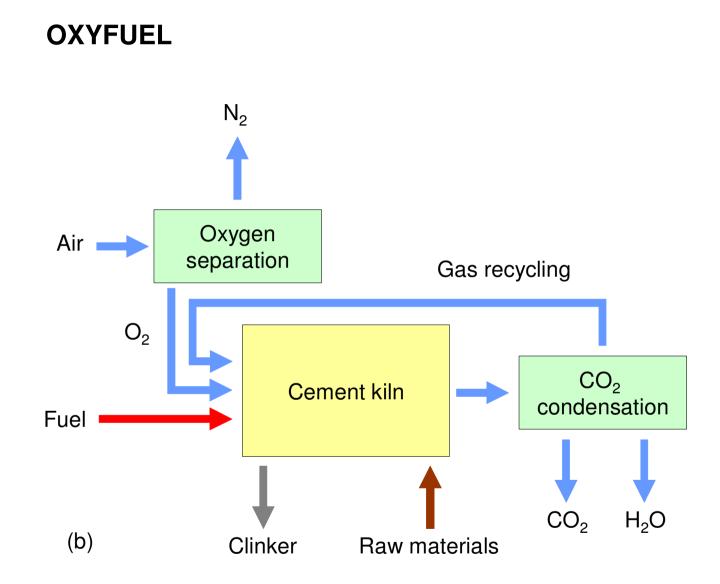
Actual recycled aggregate, stockpiled 1 year

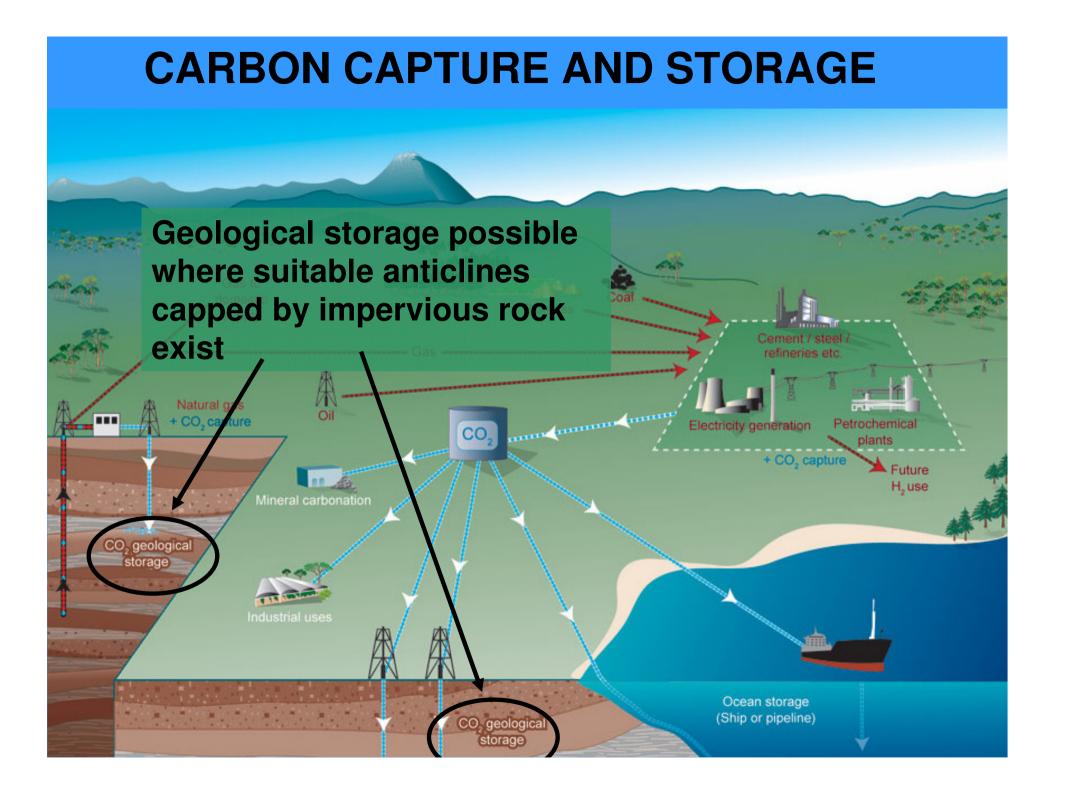


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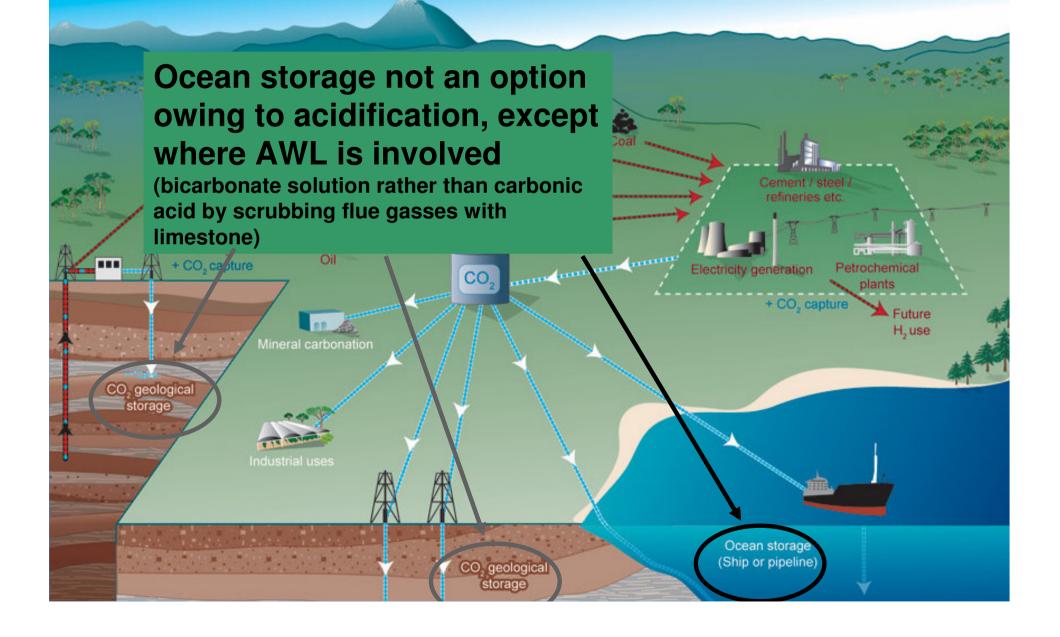


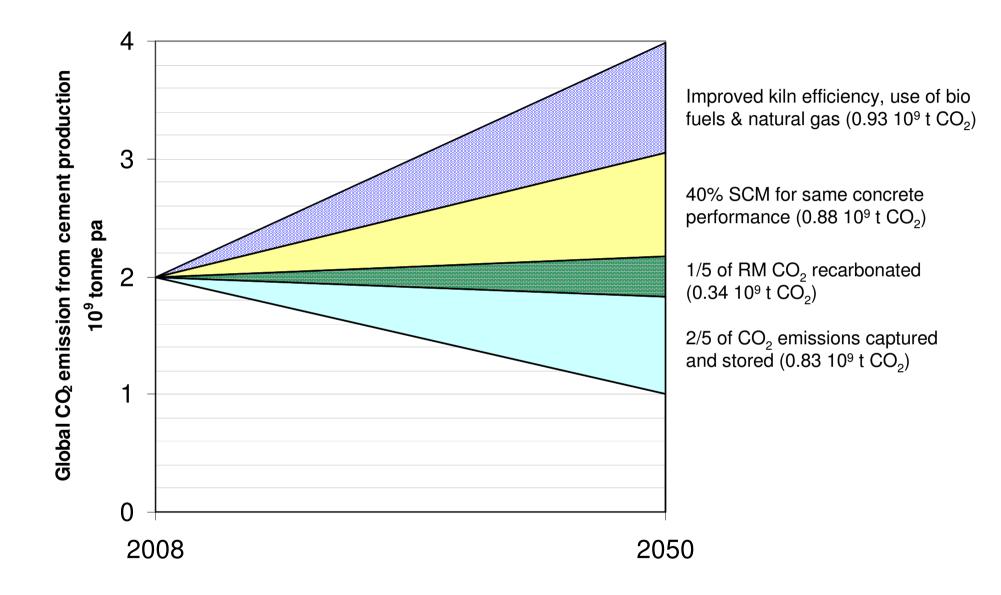






## **CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE**

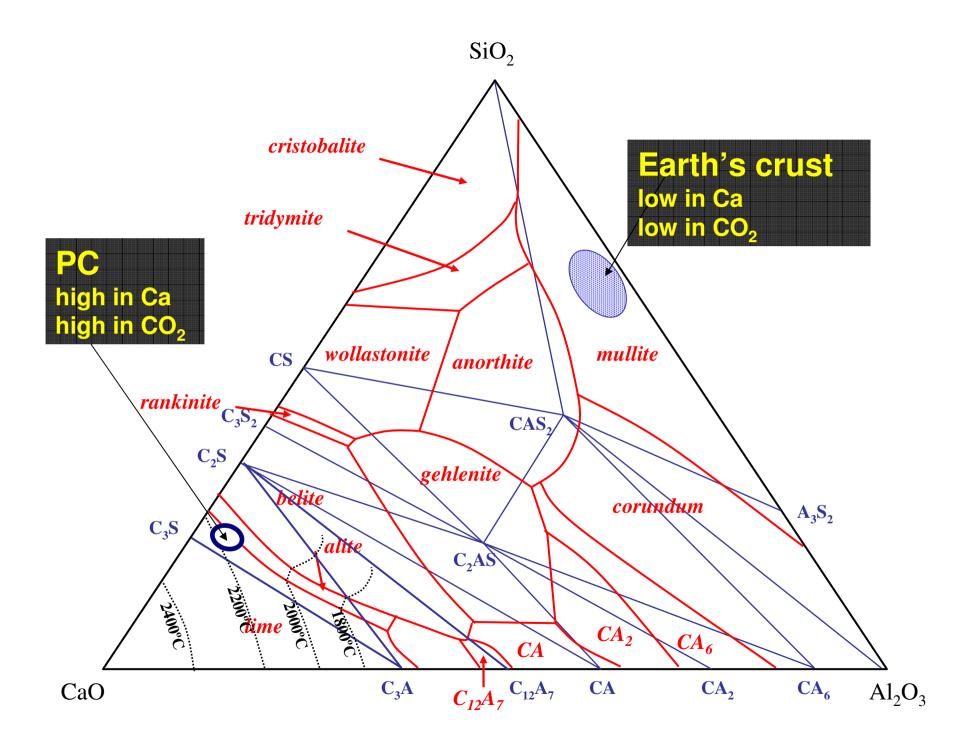


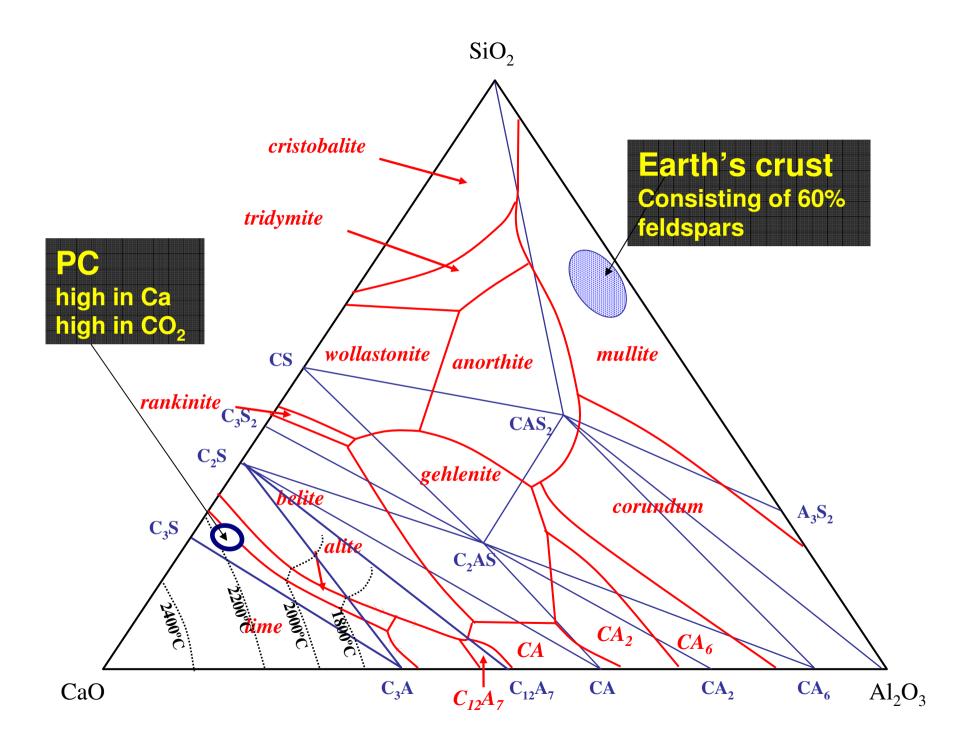


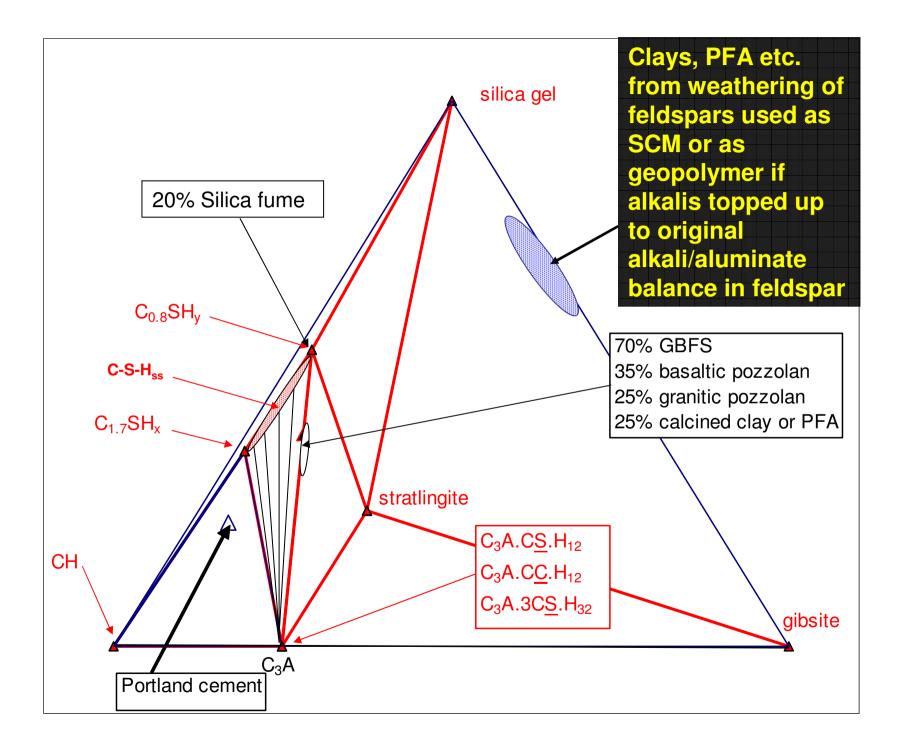
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## ALKALI ACTIVATED ALUMINO-SILICATE CEMENTS

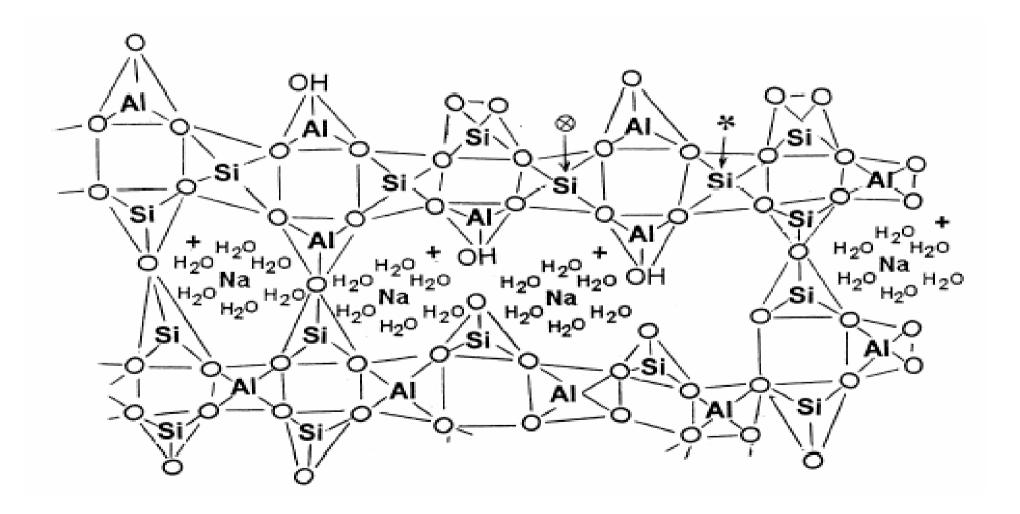
•alkali-activated systems are claimed to require 60% less energy to produce than PC and to reduce  $CO_2$  emissions by 80%



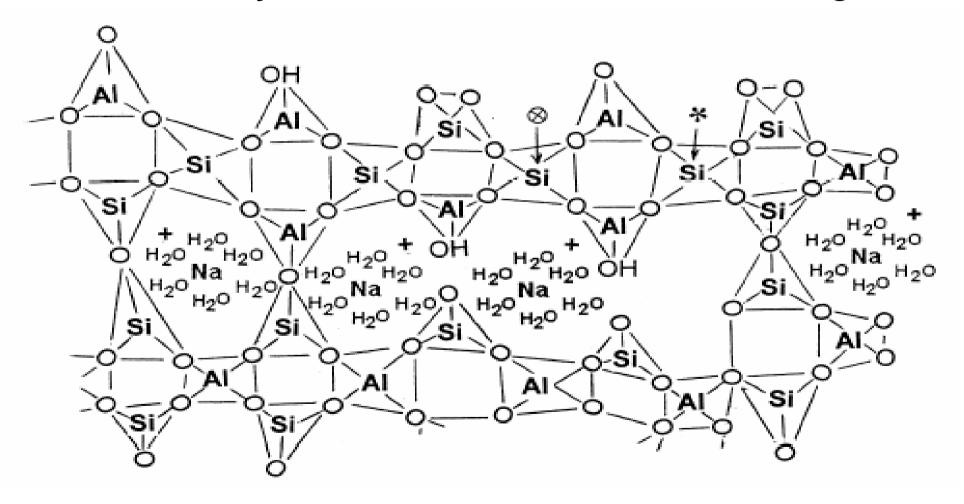


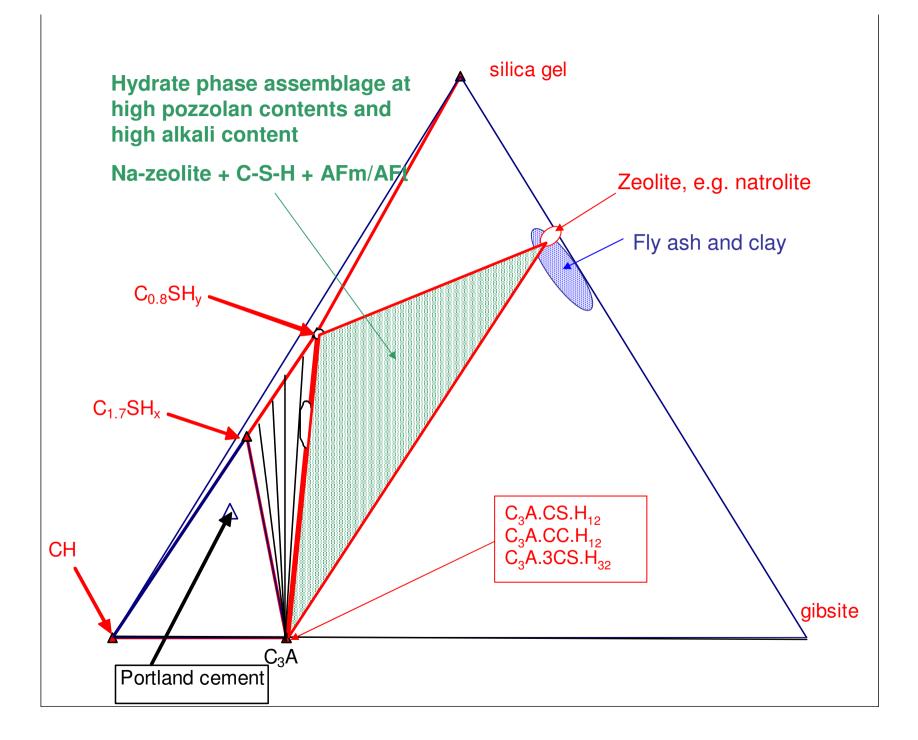


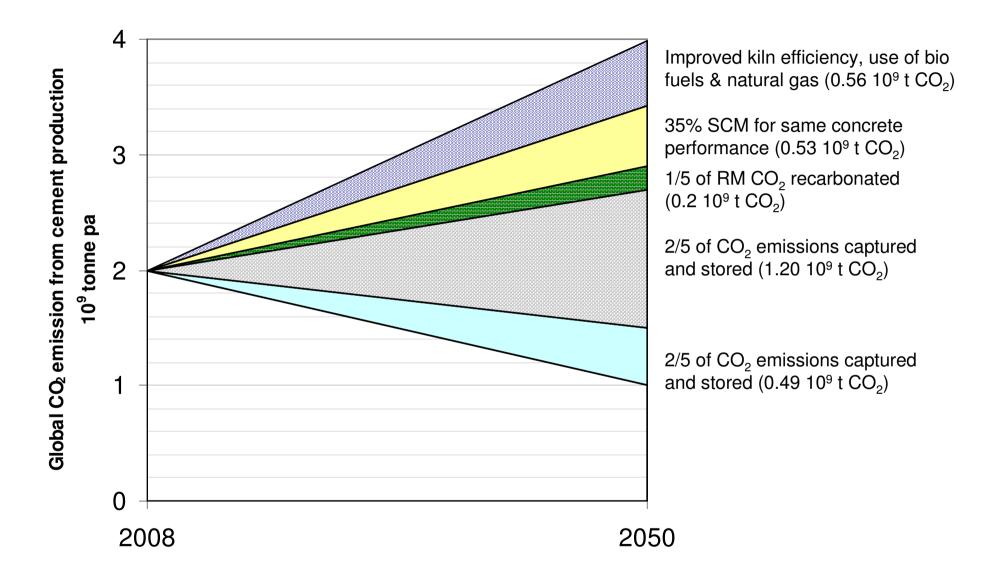
Instead of feldspars which are only stable at high temperature low T, much more open framework silicates, are formed which are closely related to the zeolites.



Despite the high alkali content, the alkalis are tied up in the silicates and a high pH pore solution cannot be maintained for protection of steel reinforcement against corrosion, which makes hybrid PC-alkali activated AS interesting.







## **CONCLUDING COMMENTS**

In order to achieve these reductions, the efforts must be global.

In some areas CCS may be more economical than maximum use of SCMs or biofuels and visa versa.

Alkali activated alumino-silicates can in theory replace up to 40% of Portland cement, but in regions where CCS is already required, would not provide additional CO<sub>2</sub> avoidance.

Realistically these solutions can only take place within a global and transparent cap and trade system that does not distort competition.