Carbon Capture Where? - And what to do with it?

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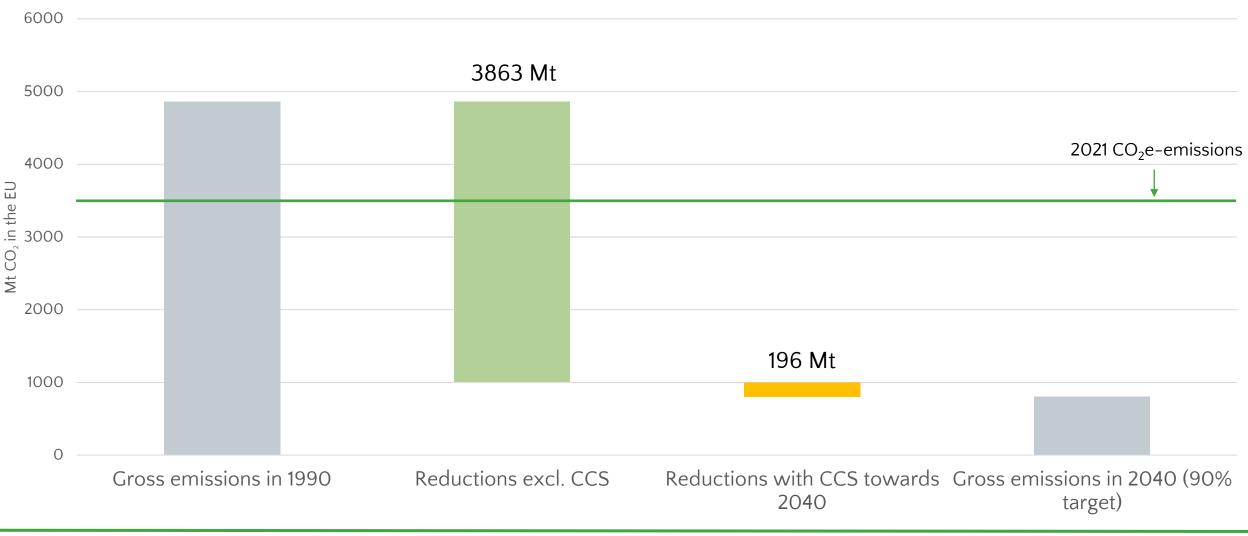
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The big picture

CCS and other reductions in the EU Commissions's proposal for a 90% reduction target





Not all point sources are created equal

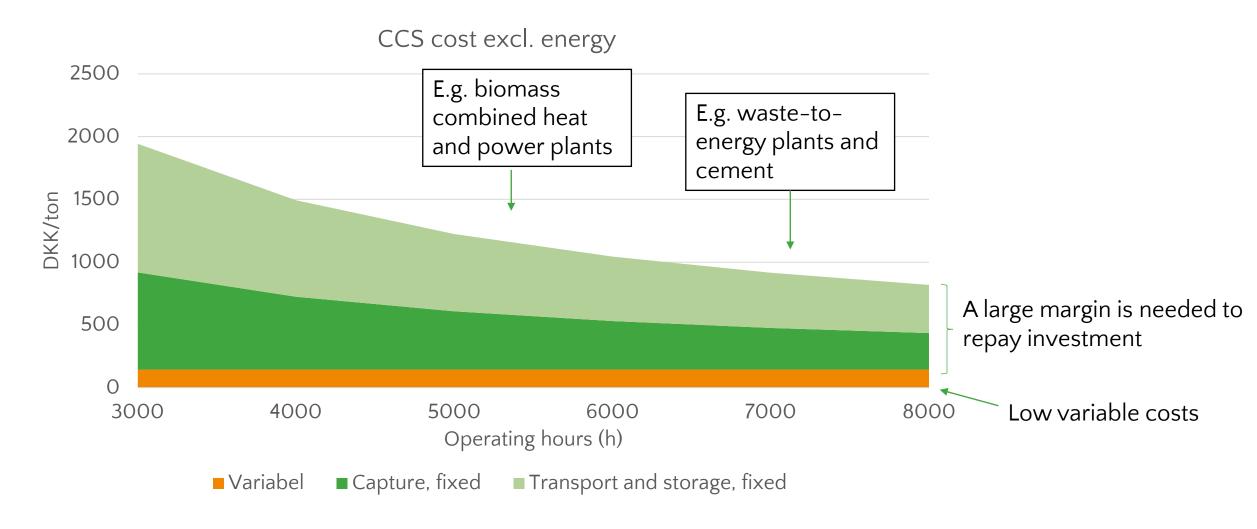


Where to capture CO2?

- 1. How many operating hours?
 - The more the merrier
- 2. Are there better and cheaper alternatives in pipeline?
 - Large heat pumps
 - Hydrogen for steel
- In Denmark this point towards some waste incinerators, biogas-upgrading and cement
- Biomass combined heat and power is challenged by decreasing operating hours, competition from heat pumps and availability of sustainable biomass.
- Fossil power is out



High fixed costs and low variable costs



Source: Based on data from CONCITO 2024, Biomasse og CCS i forsyningssektoren



CCS-potential sensitive to the price of biomass

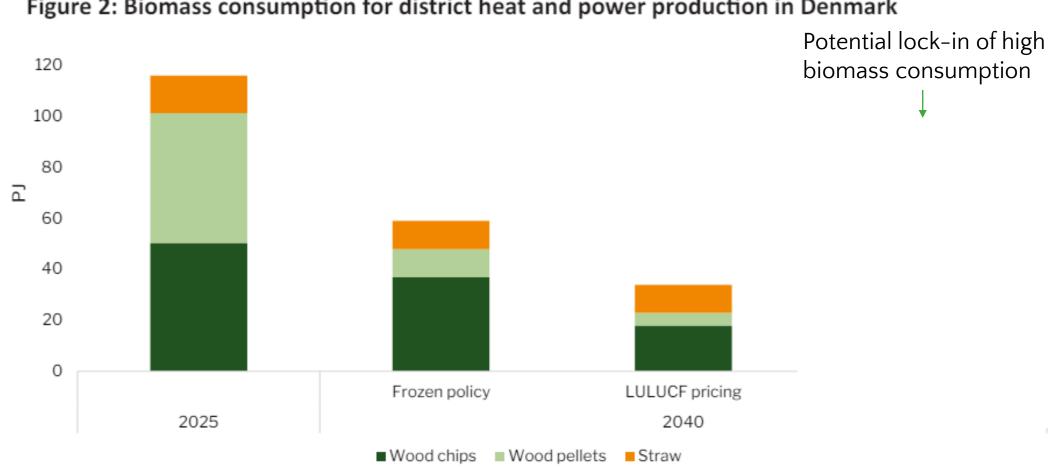


Figure 2: Biomass consumption for district heat and power production in Denmark

Source: CONCITO 2024, Towards a sustainable deployment of BioCCS in the EU



What about negative emissions?

Yes, we need a lot of biogenic CO_2 to achieve our climate targets.

But biomass is a scarce ressource and there will be a variety of technologies, competing for the same biogenic input.

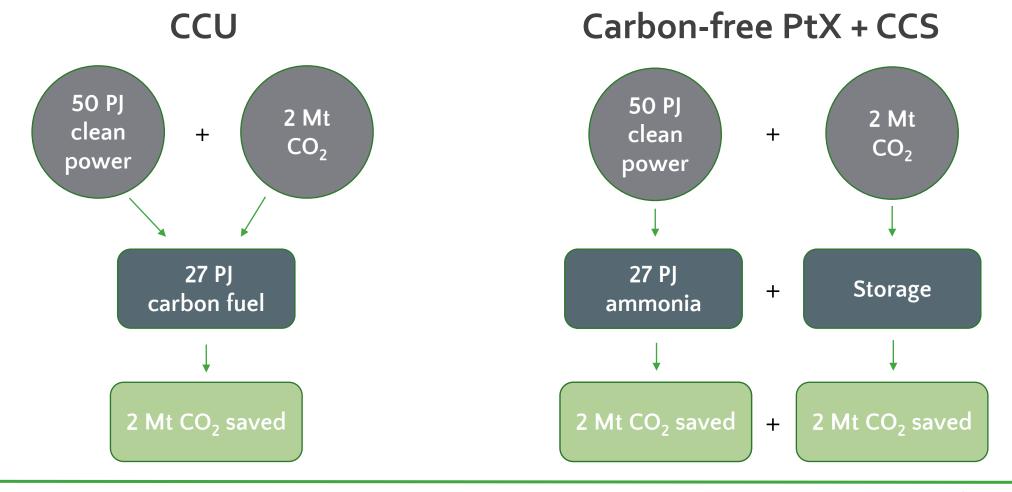


What to do with CO_2 ?

MAKE CARBON TRAPPED AGAIN!



Greater climate benefit of using CO_2 and clean power separately. 3 GW offshore wind + 2 Mt CO_2 could be used for...

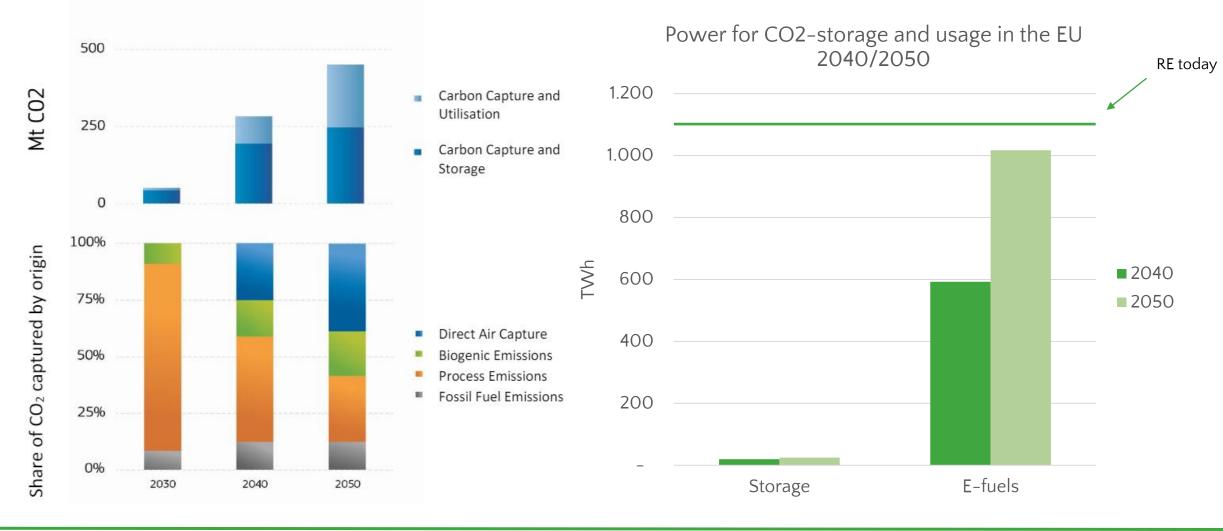


DANMARKS GRØNNE TÆNKETANK

Source: Own calculations based on the Danish Energy Agency Technology Catalogue

EU Industrial Carbon Management Strategy

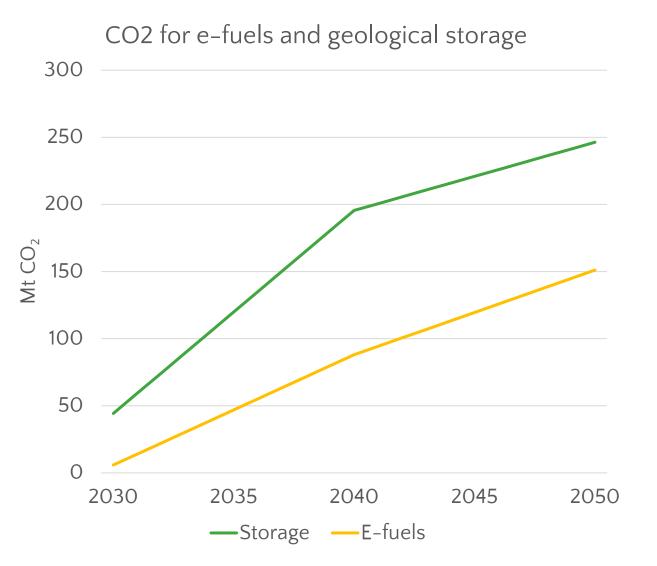
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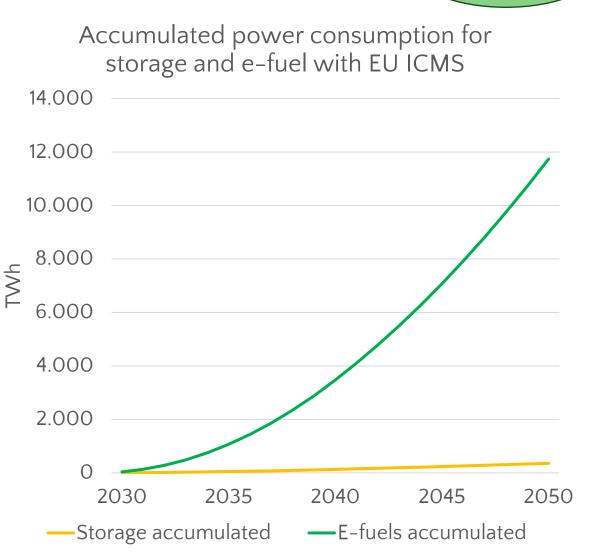




Source: European Commission 2024: Industrial carbon management (left) and own calculations based on EU 2040 Impact Assessment (right)

CCS VS CCU (EU 2040)







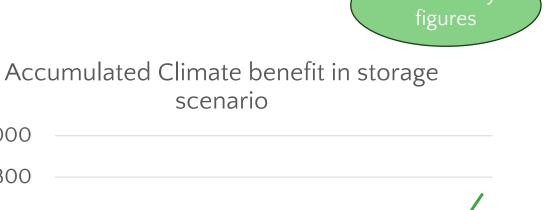
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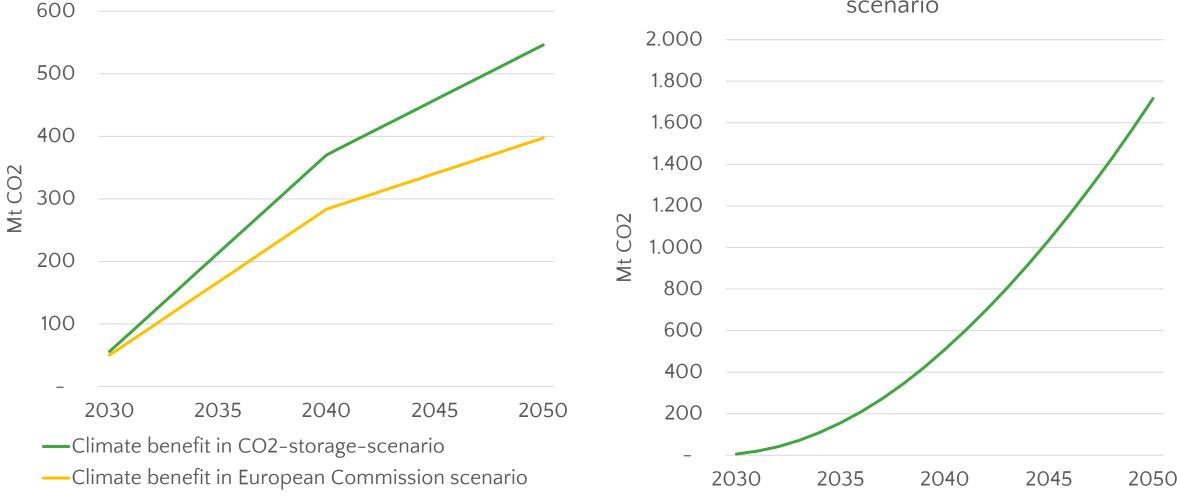
What if we just store all the CO2?



Storage scenario: captured CO2 is stored and saved power is used for e-ammonia

Climate benefit of storage vs. e-fuels







Source: Own calculations based on EU 2040 Impact Assessment

But what about heavy transport and phasing-out fossil fuels?

- We can phase-out more fossil fuels faster when focusing on CO2-storage + carbon-free PtX*
- High-quality and permanent carbon removal for e.g. aviation could be allowed to compete with carbon based e-fuels under EU-regulation and blending mandates
- Speed of transition is key for the concentration of GHG-emissions in the athmophere
- Demand for fossil fuels will plummet for most use cases

*This assumes plenty of storage capacity!



Recap

Not all point sources are created equal

- Need to move from techincal to realistic potentials
- Consider long-run feasibility of your chimney
- Funding and ressources for CCS should focus on most future proof cases
- **Once CO₂ is captured LOCK IT UP!**
- But... Clarify realistic long-run injection capacity to maximize climate benefit



Questions?

