



# Piloting in an industrially relevant environment

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Bio Base Europe Pilot Plant



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# Bio Base Europe Pilot Plant

## *Mission statement*

To enable the transition to a sustainable  
bio-based economy

*through*

Development, scale-up and custom manufacturing  
of bio-based product and processes



Process Development



Scale-up



Custom Manufacturing

# Renewable Carbon



Different sources of **renewable carbon** exist



Recycling



Biomass



CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation



# Sources of C1 molecules



Steel manufacturing



CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation



Waste gasification



Cement manufacturing



Power plants



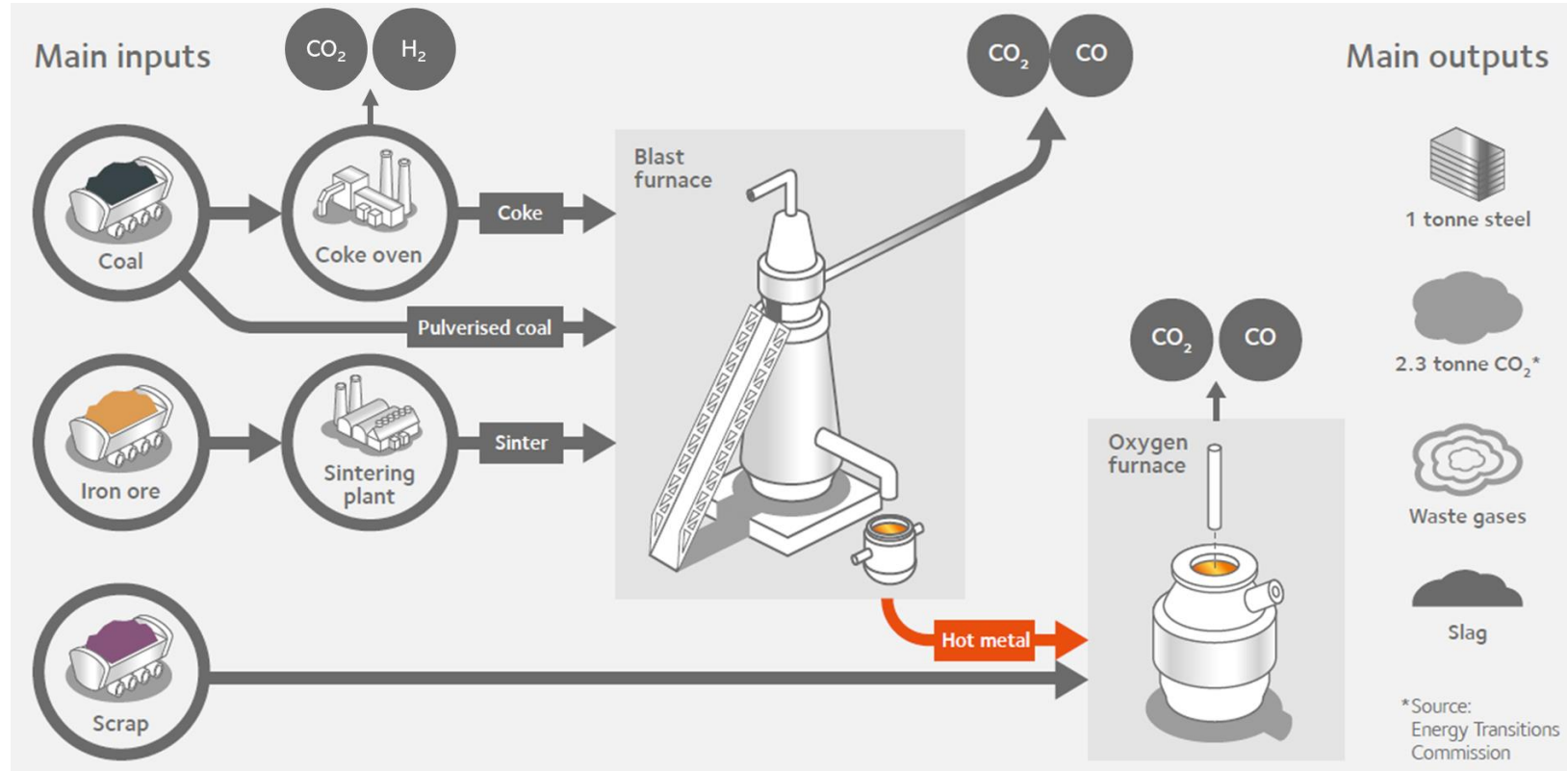
Fermentation

# Steel manufacturing



Steel manufacturing

- Coke Oven Gas (**COG**)
- Blast Furnace Gas (**BF**)
- Basic Oxygen Furnace Gas (**BOF**)



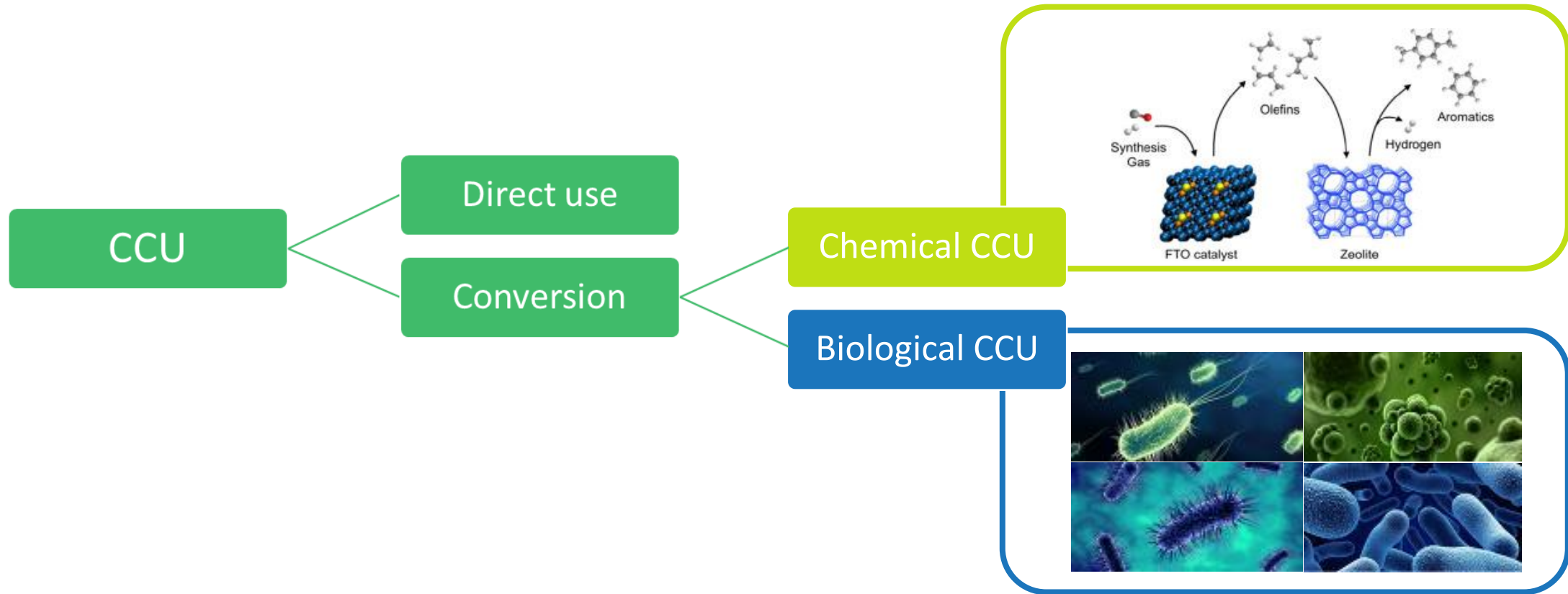
Adapted from ArcelorMittal Climate Action Report



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# Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU)



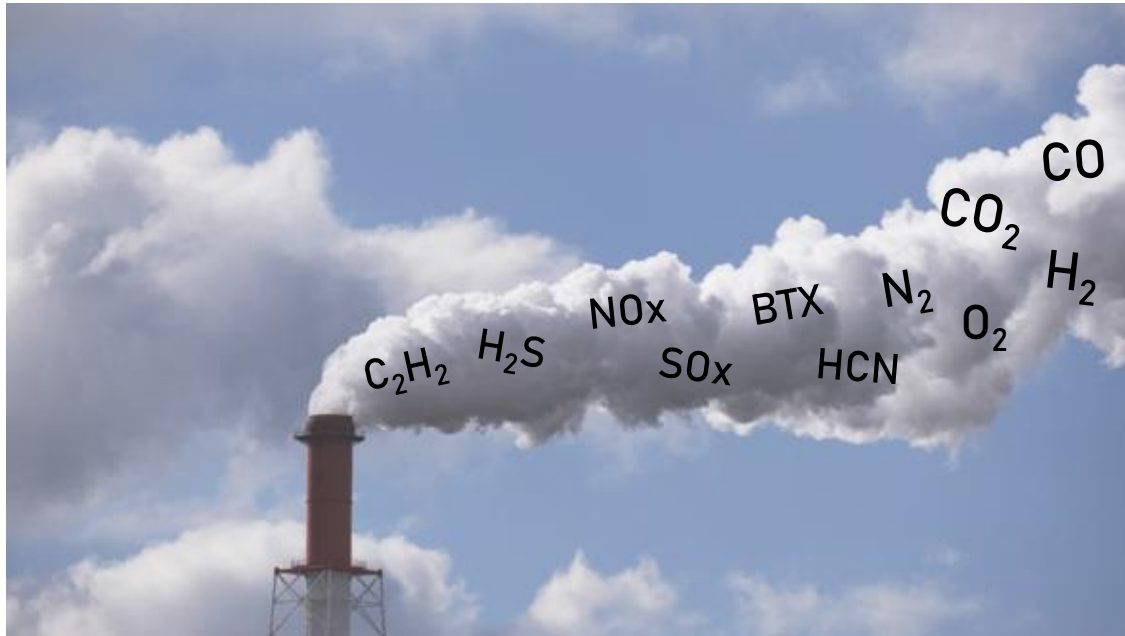
# Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU)



|                |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------|---|--|---|---|---|
|                | Gas requirements  | Process conditions   | Product specificity   | Product types   | Technology Readiness  |
| Chemical CCU   | Fixed CO <sub>2</sub> /H <sub>2</sub> ratio                                       | Elevated pressure and temperature  | More by-products  | Mostly fuels, simple chemicals  | High  |
| Biological CCU | More tolerant to impurities   | Ambient process  | High specificity  | Wide range incl. complex products   | Low   |



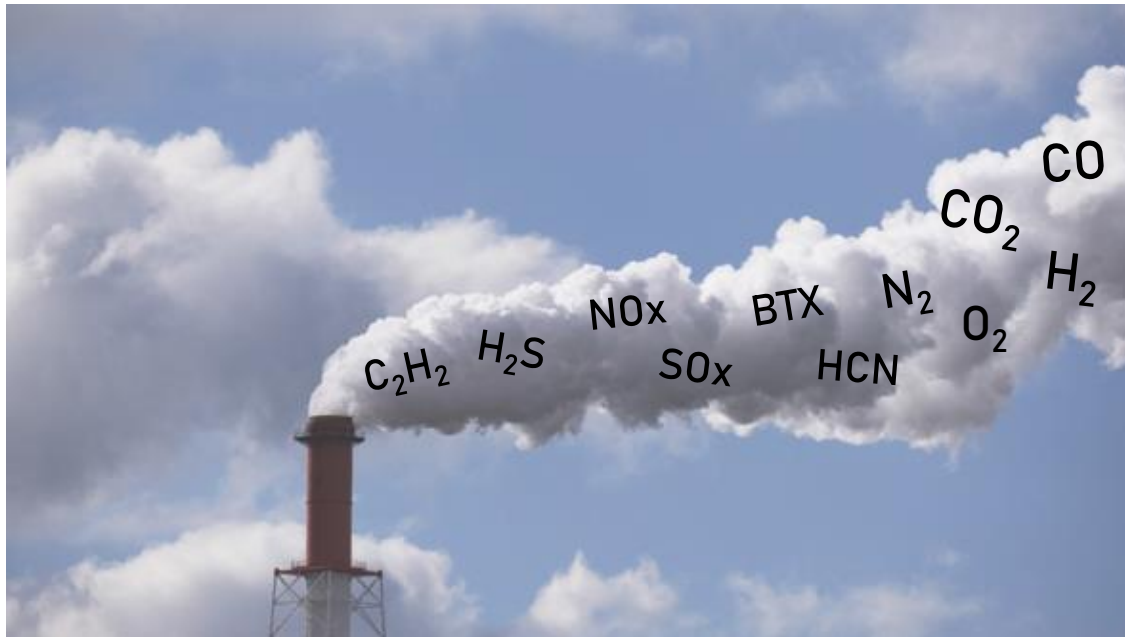
# Bridging the 'valley of death' of CCU?



*4 x 1 L and 10 L gas fermentation bioreactors*

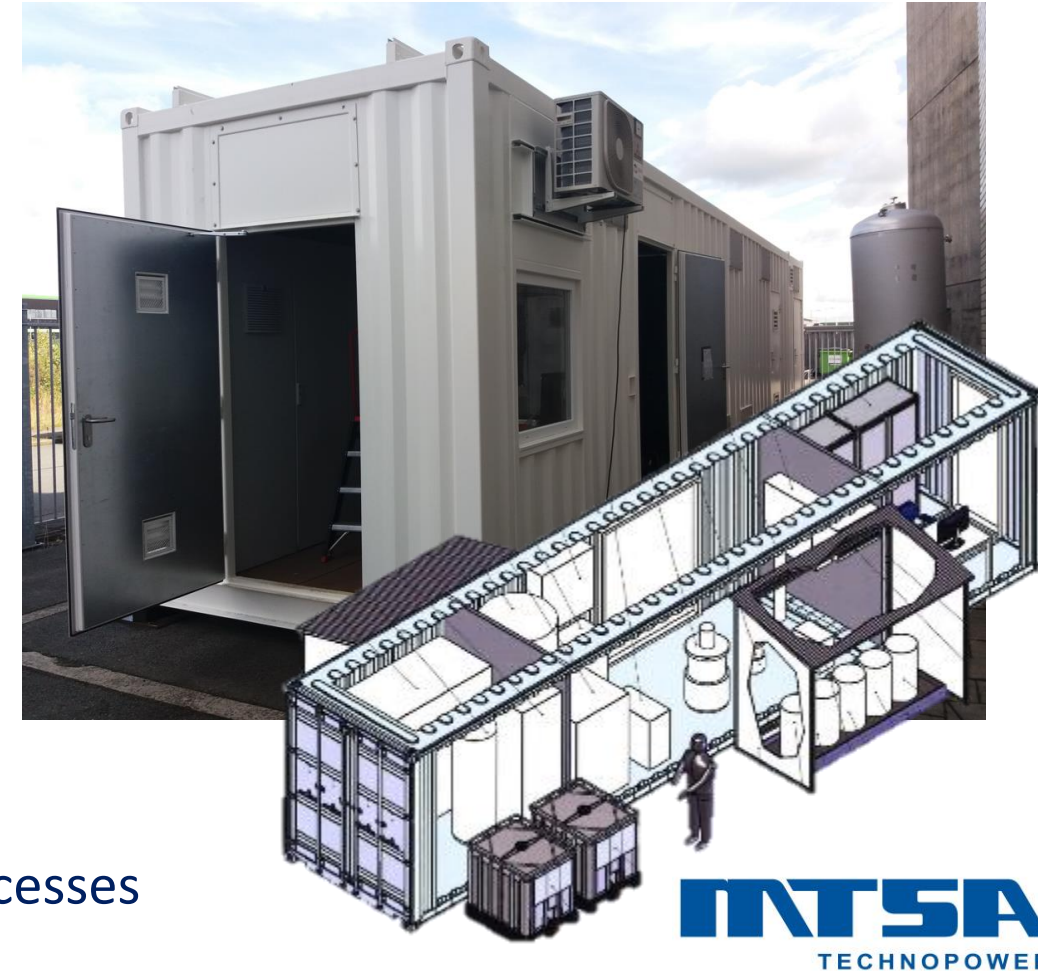
- **Dissolve** contaminants into fermentation medium
- **Add** contaminants to gas mixture
- **Compress** gas at emitter and bring to the lab

# Bridging the 'valley of death' of CCU?



- Bring plant to emission source
- Most **reliable** approach to **validate** gas fermentation processes

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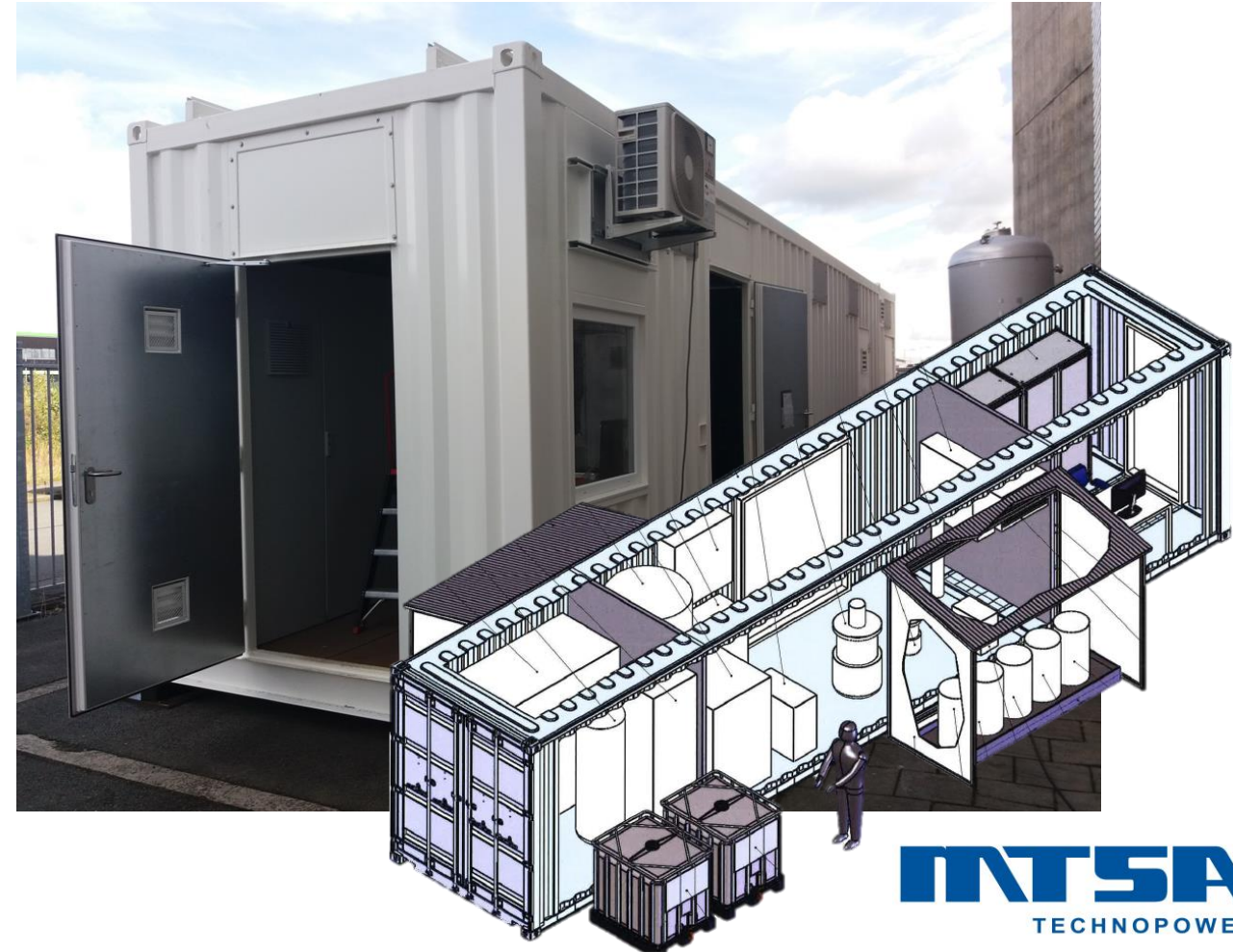




# Bio Base Mobile Pilot Plant



- **Scale-up** of processes
- **Validation** in industrial conditions
- **Stand-alone operation**
  - 3 Fermenter vessels
  - 2 Industrial gas feeds
  - Built-in H<sub>2</sub>-generator
  - Customized gas mixture
- **Pressure** up to 8 barg





# Piloting at AMG



**Civil works  
at site AMG**



**Installation  
of piping**



**Arrival  
of pilot**







# Thank you

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