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BIOFUELS AND BIOTECHNOLOGY II



PELLETS & BRIQUETTES



Briquettes cylinders



Briquettes c



Fireplace briquettes



Grill briquettes



Sawdust drier



Worm briquetting machine



<http://www.paliwadrzewne.pl>

Dimensions of pellets and briquettes enable very efficient burning and automation of the small boilers fires with that biofuels.

Parameters of wood pellets i briquette,

Physical parameters	
Bulk density	630 - 750 kg/m ³
Length	pel. 5 - 40 mm, bryk. 10 - 30 cm
Mass density	1,2 - 1,4 t/m ³
Gross net value	21 000 kJ/kg
Diameter	6 - 30 mm
Moisture	8 - 10 %
Ash	0,5 - 1 %
Chemical constitution (%)	
Nitrogen	0,1
Oxygen	40,1
Coal	53,6
Water	6,2
Chlorine	< 0,1
Sulphur	< 0,1

BC (Biomass+Coal) briquettes $Q_i = 19 - 26 \text{ MJ/kg}$

Emission from BC i hard oal

Parameter	Haed caol Cal size-pea	Briquette BC
Efficiency of the boiler [%]	80,9	85,5
Emission indicator CO [mg/m ³]	2347	2361
Emission indicator SO ₂ [mg/m ³]	315	308
Emission indicator NO _x [mg/m ³]	311	144



STRAW

- Moisture content in straw depend upon logging proces
- Straw used for burning contain 14-20% of moisture,
- Remained dry mass contains 50% of coal, $H_2 = 6\%$
 $O_2 = 42\%$, small amount of N_2 , S, Si.



Straw ballots



Flax straw briquettes

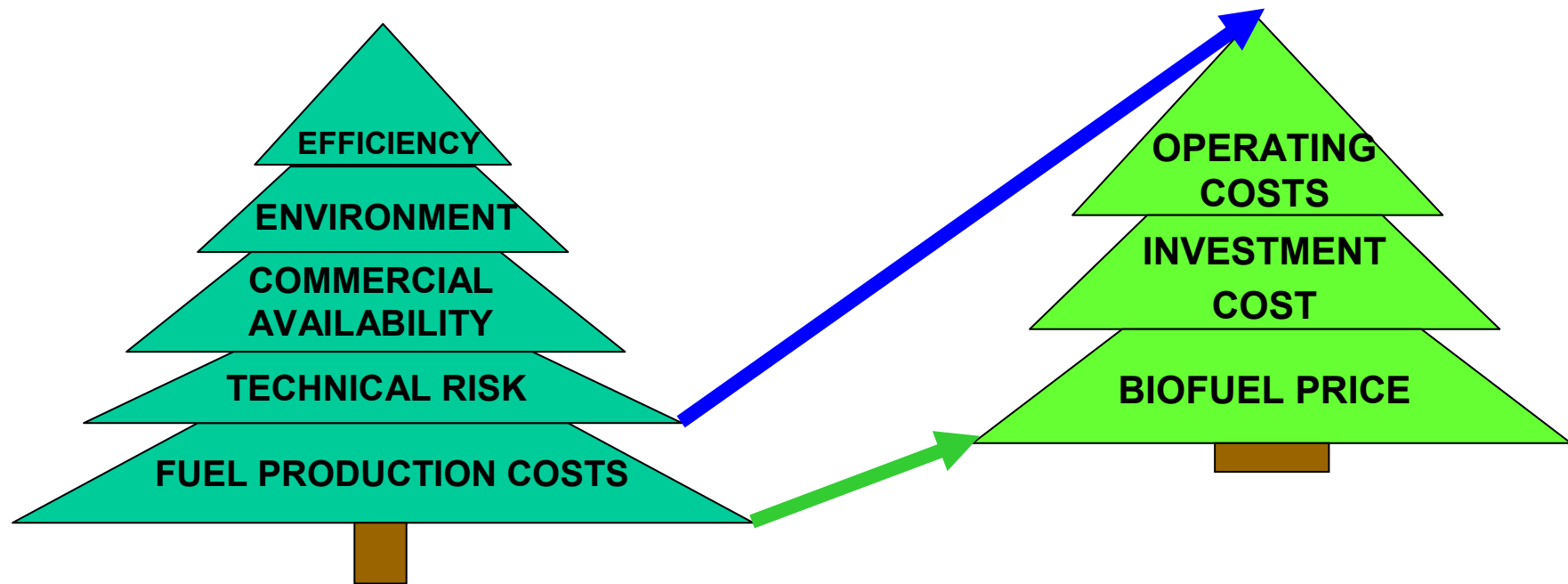


Peat briquettes

- Yellow straw is not recommended for burning as it contains a large contents of S, Cl and alkaline compounds
- Because of removal S,Cl and alkaline compounds gray (wilted straw) straw is recommended for burning.

Biomass usability in the power plants of the different scale.

Biofuel/ application	Small power plants	Large power plants
Wood	Recommended	Not recommended
Wooden chips	Recommended	Specially recommended
Wooden dust	Not recommended	Recommended
Pellets	Specially recommended	Recommended
Briquettes	Specially recommended	Not recommended
Straw and crop grasses	Not recommended	Specially recommended
Straw briquetts	Not recommended	Specially recommended



„Trees” for evaluation of solid biofuel quality

THERMOCHEMICAL CONVERSION OF BIOMASS

THERMOCHEMICAL CONVERSION OF BIOMASS

- **PYROLYSIS**
- **GASIFICATION**
- **COMBUSTION**

Two processes:

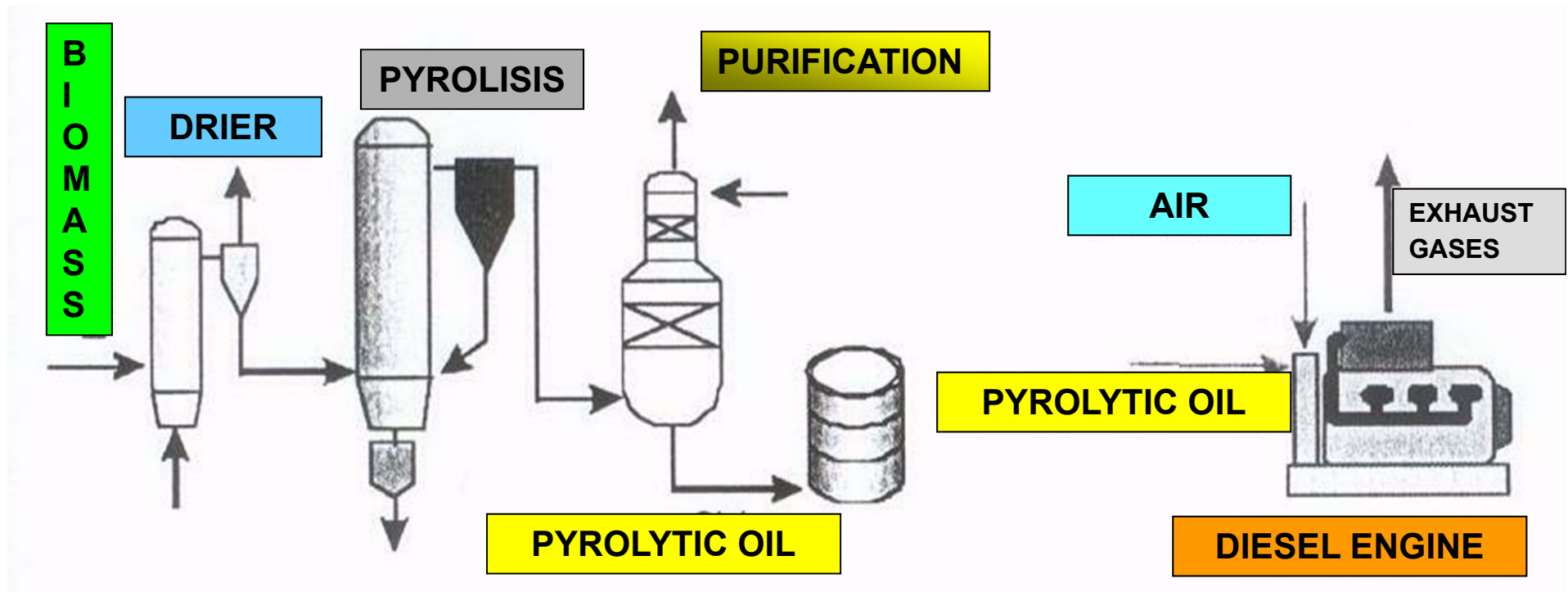
- pyrolysis
- gasification

are applied for the conversion of biomass into biofuels that are more easily:

- handled,
- stored
- combusted

Wood
Straw

PYROLYSIS



Based on: W.Rybak: Spalanie i współspalanie biomasy, OW PW, Wrocław, 2006

PYROLYSIS

high-temperature process, where the biomass is heated in the oxygen-free atmosphere, generating vapours and some charcoal.

The vapours are cooled and condensed, forming pyrolytic oil ,

WOOD PYROLYSIS

- I period $t > 170^{\circ}\text{C}$ – release of water
- II period $t = 170 - 270^{\circ}\text{C}$ release of CO_2 i CO ;
- III period $t = 270 - 290^{\circ}\text{C}$ exothermic reactions, release of: methanol, acetic acid, hydrocarbons, hydrogen
- IV period $t = 280 - 400^{\circ}\text{C}$ intensive release of hydrocarbons, hydrogen.

In case of charcoal, contents of carbon in the final product depends upon of the process temperature.

PYROLYSIS

Table 4 Typical analysis of wood-derived crude pyrolysis oil⁵

<i>Physical property</i>	<i>Typical value</i>
Moisture content	15–30%
pH	2.5
s.g.	1.2
C	56.4%
H	6.2%
O	37.3%
N	0.1%
Ash	0.1%
Heating value	16–19 MJ/kg
Viscosity	40–100 cP
Solids (char)	1%

Source ADRIAN LOENING:Landfill Gas and Related Energy Anaerobic Biomass Energy Systems

GASIFICATION

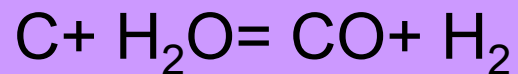
GASIFICATION

Gasification is a partial oxidation process whereby a carbon source such as coal, natural gas or biomass, is broken down into CO , H₂ and CO₂ and possibly hydrocarbon molecules such as CH₄.

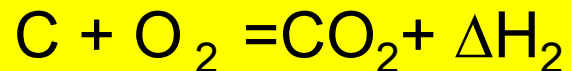
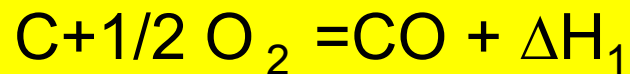
GASIFICATION OF BIOMASS

Gasification involves the heating biomass in atmosphere of a controlled quantity of oxygen and water:

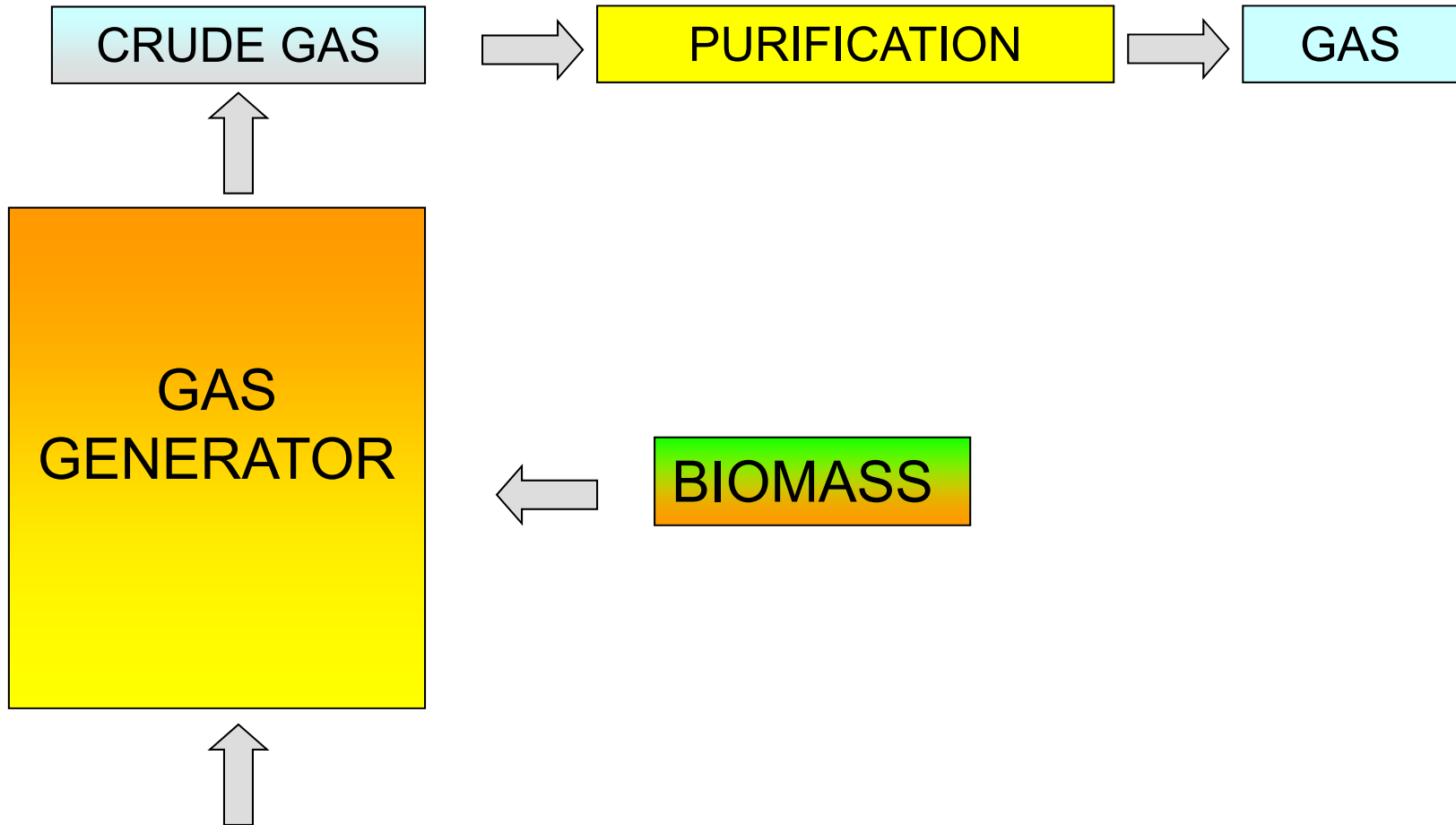
Endothermic reaction :



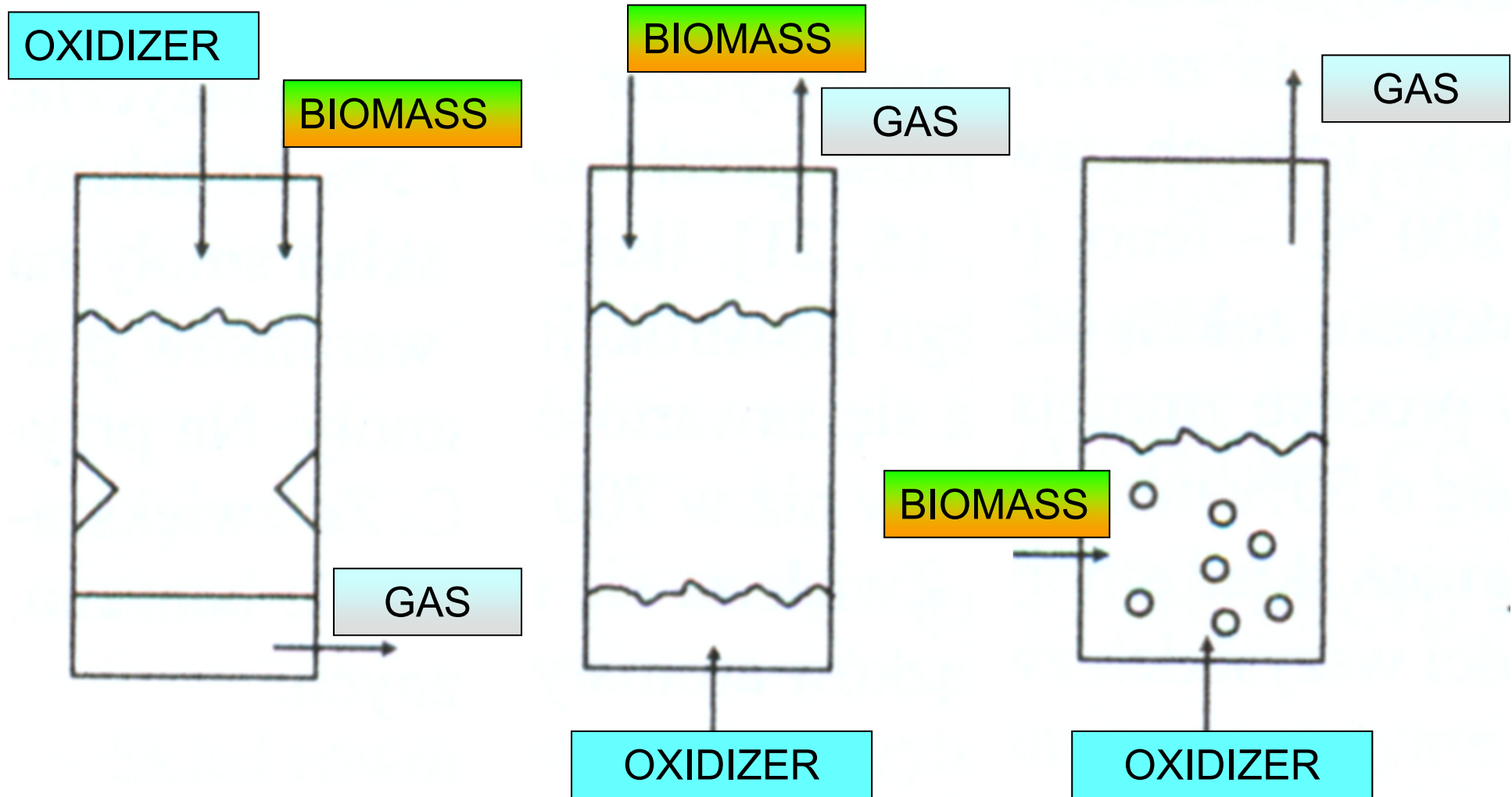
Exothermic reactions:



GASIFICATION PROCESS



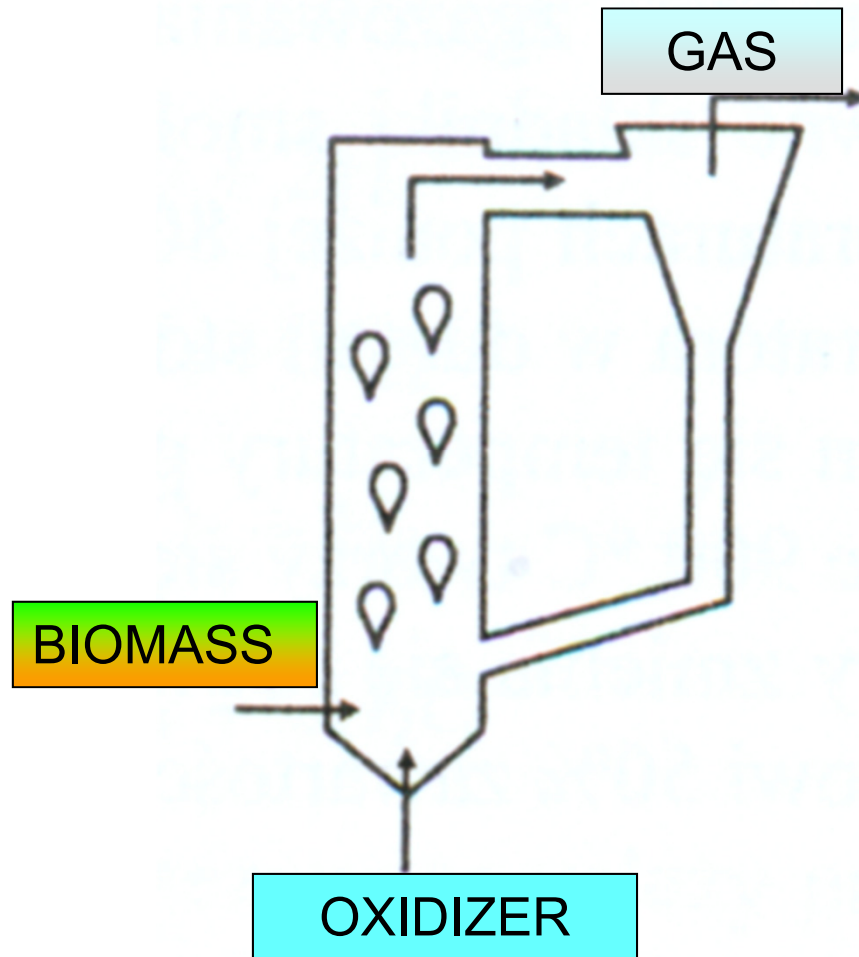
POSSIBLE GASIFYING MEDIUM: AIR, OXYGEN, STEAM



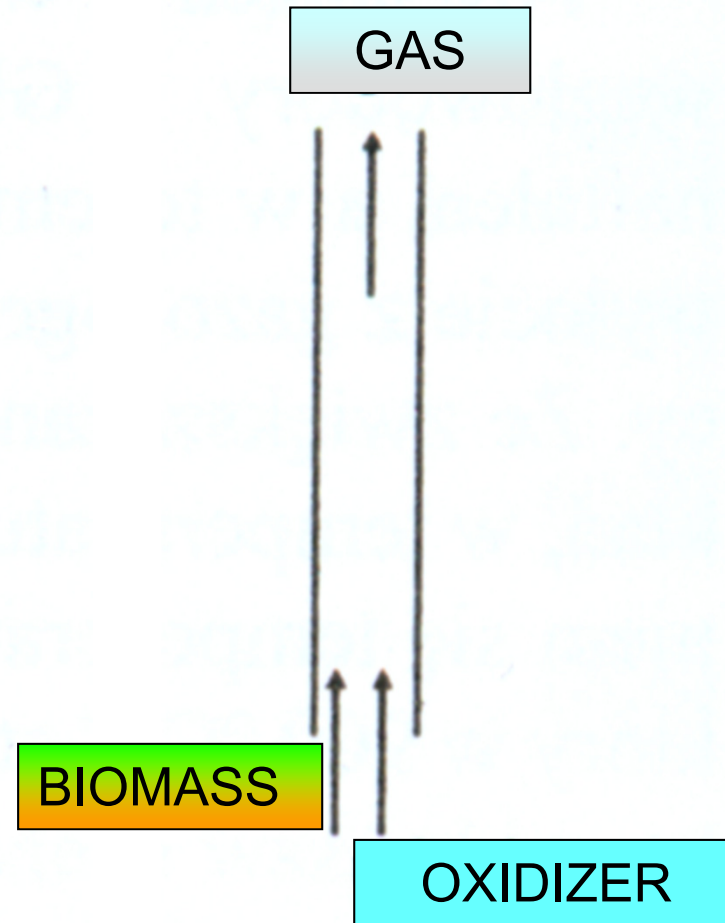
1. Gas generators with a stable bed

Based on: W.Rybak: *Spalanie i współspalanie biomasy*, OW PW, Wrocław, 2006

2. Gas generator with bubble fluidized bed



3. Gas generator with circulating fluidised bed



4. Stream gas generator

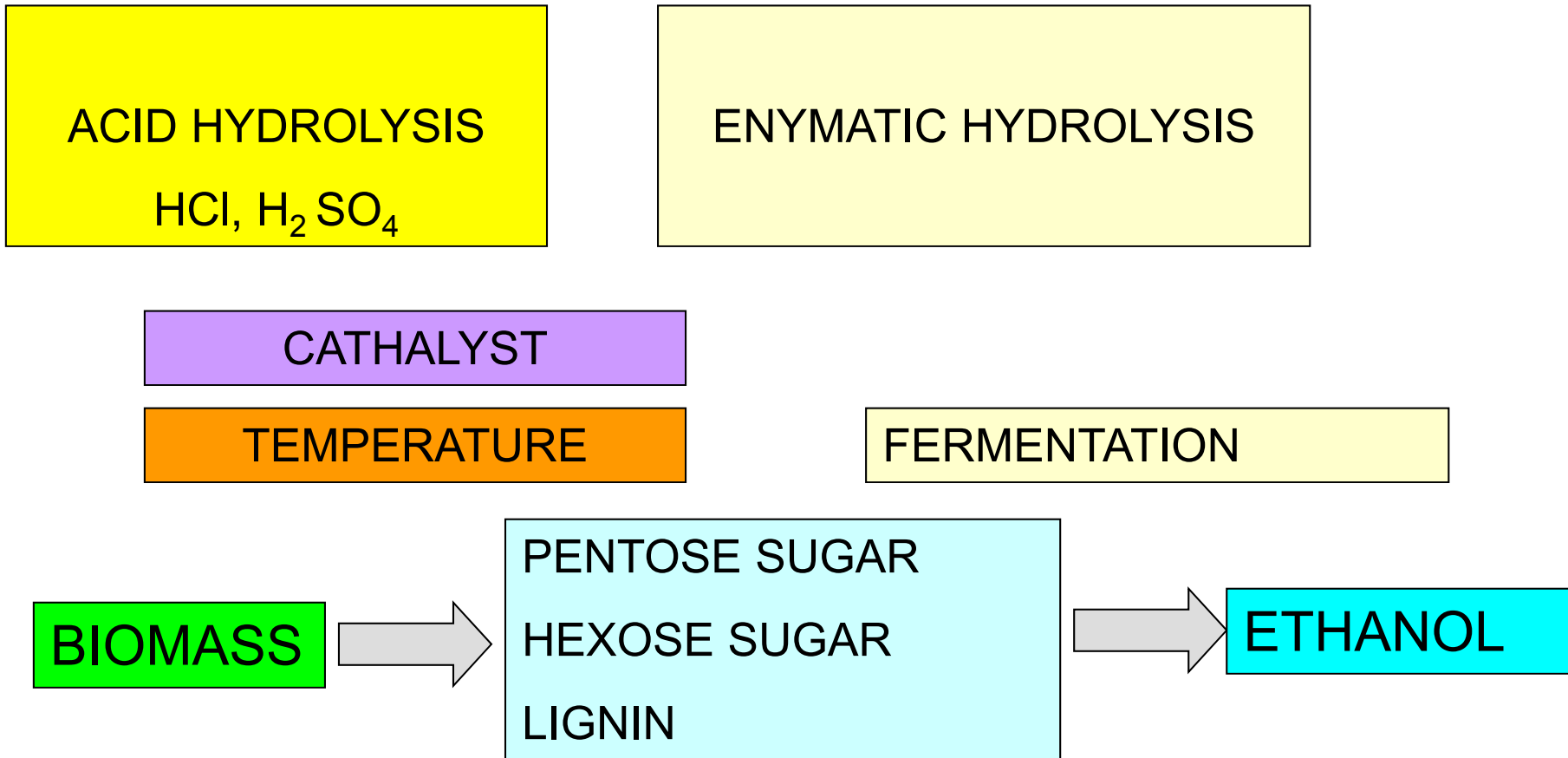
Gasifier	Inlet Gas	Product Gas Type	Product Gas HHV MJ/Nm ³
Partial Oxidation	Air	Producer Gas	7
Partial Oxidation	Oxygen	Synthesis Gas	10
Indirect	Steam	Synthesis Gas	15
		Natural Gas	38
		Methane	41

$m=1500\text{kg/h}$, $t=600-800^{\circ}\text{C}$





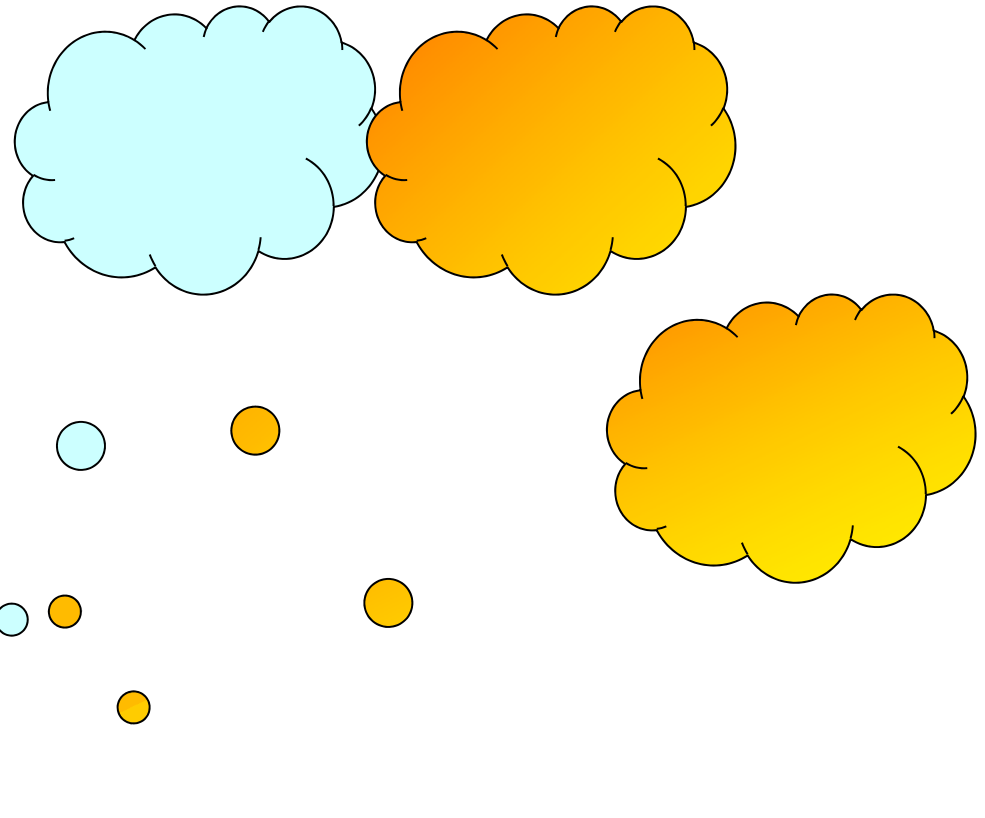
CHEMICAL CONVERSION OF BIOMASS



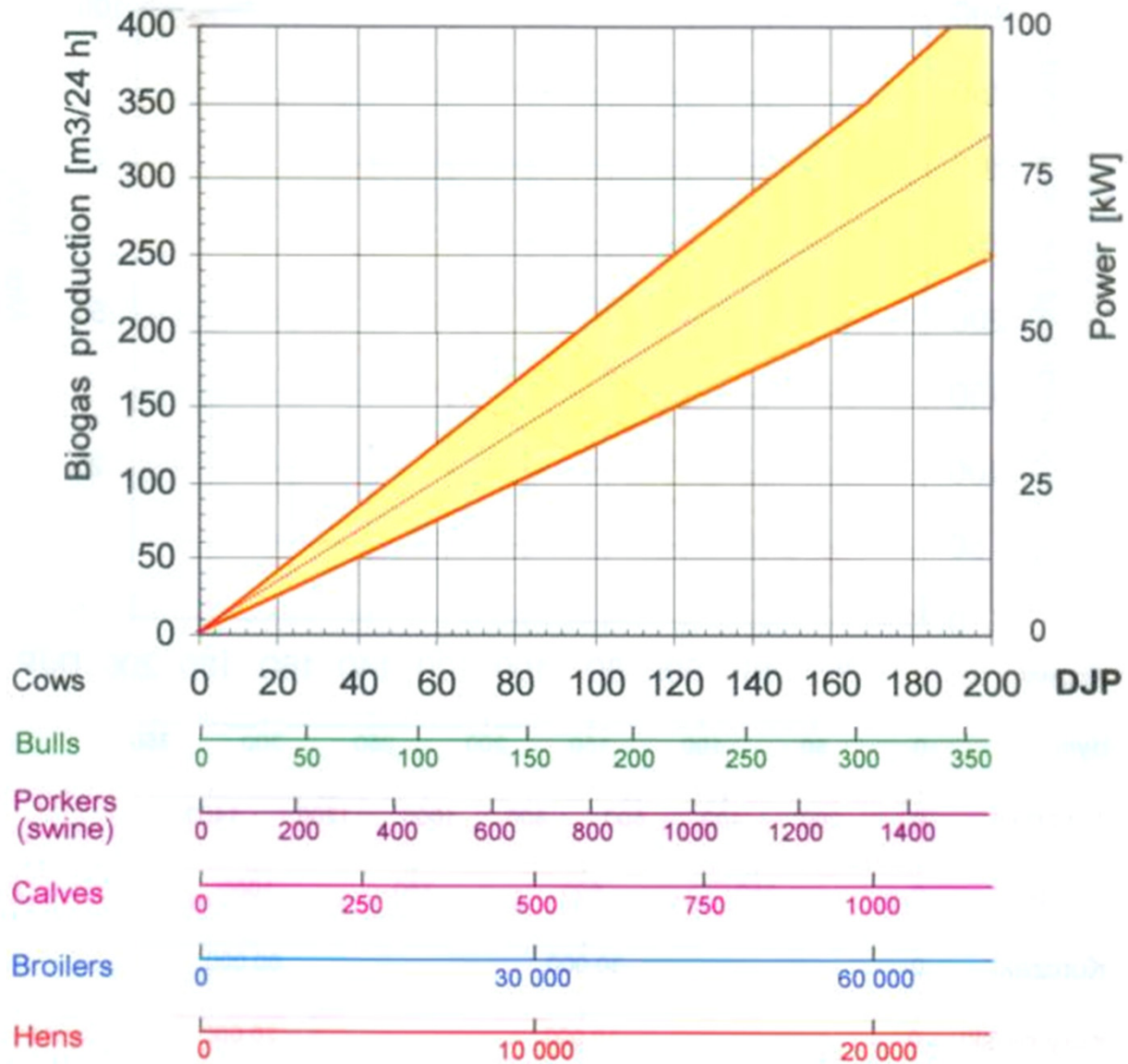
HYDROLYSIS OF BIOMASS:

- CORROSION
- RECOVERY OF ACIDS USED IN PROCESS IS COSTLY

BIOCHEMICAL CONVERSION OF BIOMASS



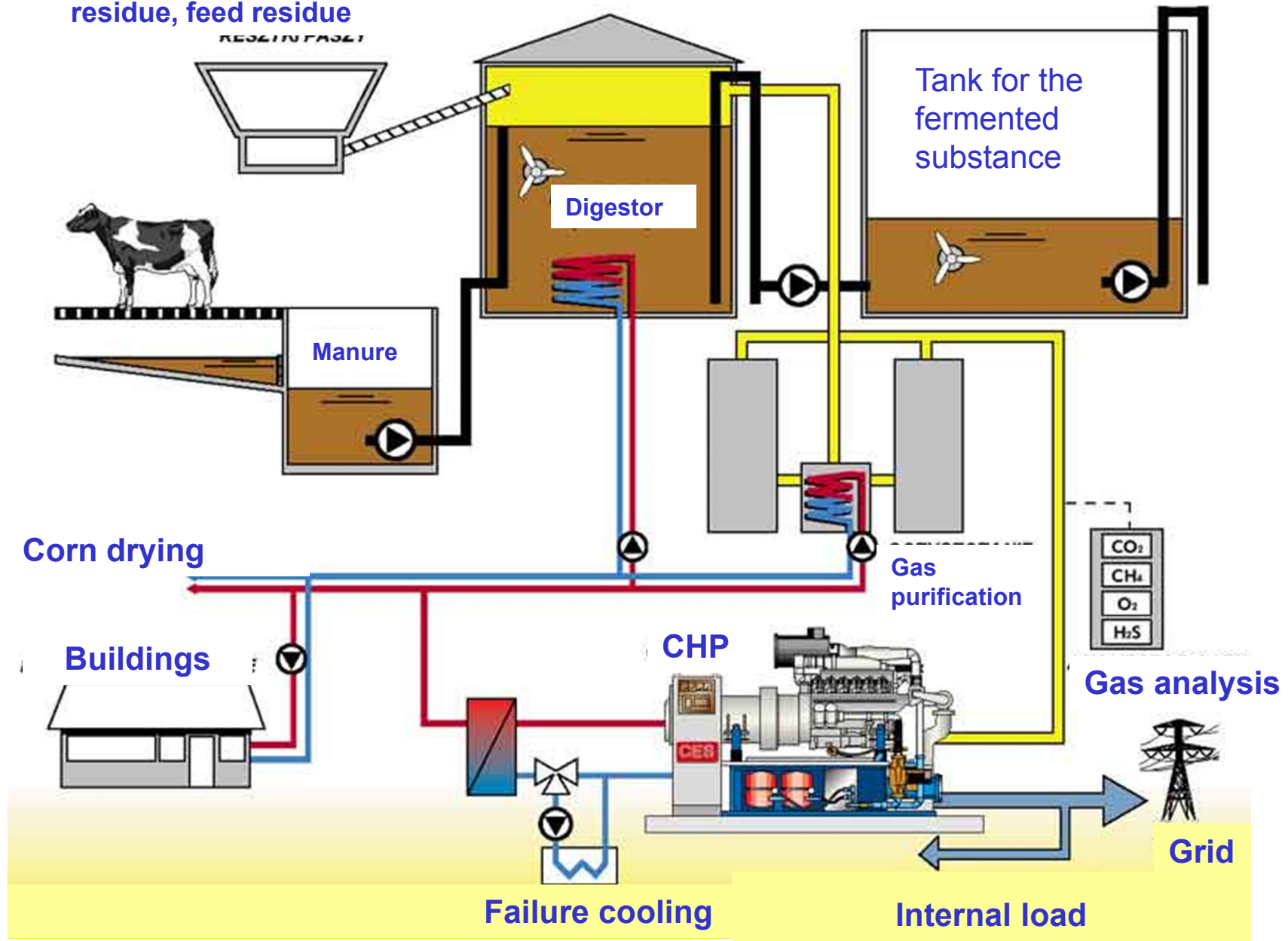
BIOGAS



Estimation of biogas potential from animal's manure and poultry's droppings

(1 DJP = 500 kg weight)

Raw biomaterial :maize, animal droppings,ensilage,crop residue, feed residue



ANAEROBIC DIGESTION

is the process whereby bacteria break down organic material in the absence of air, yielding a biogas.

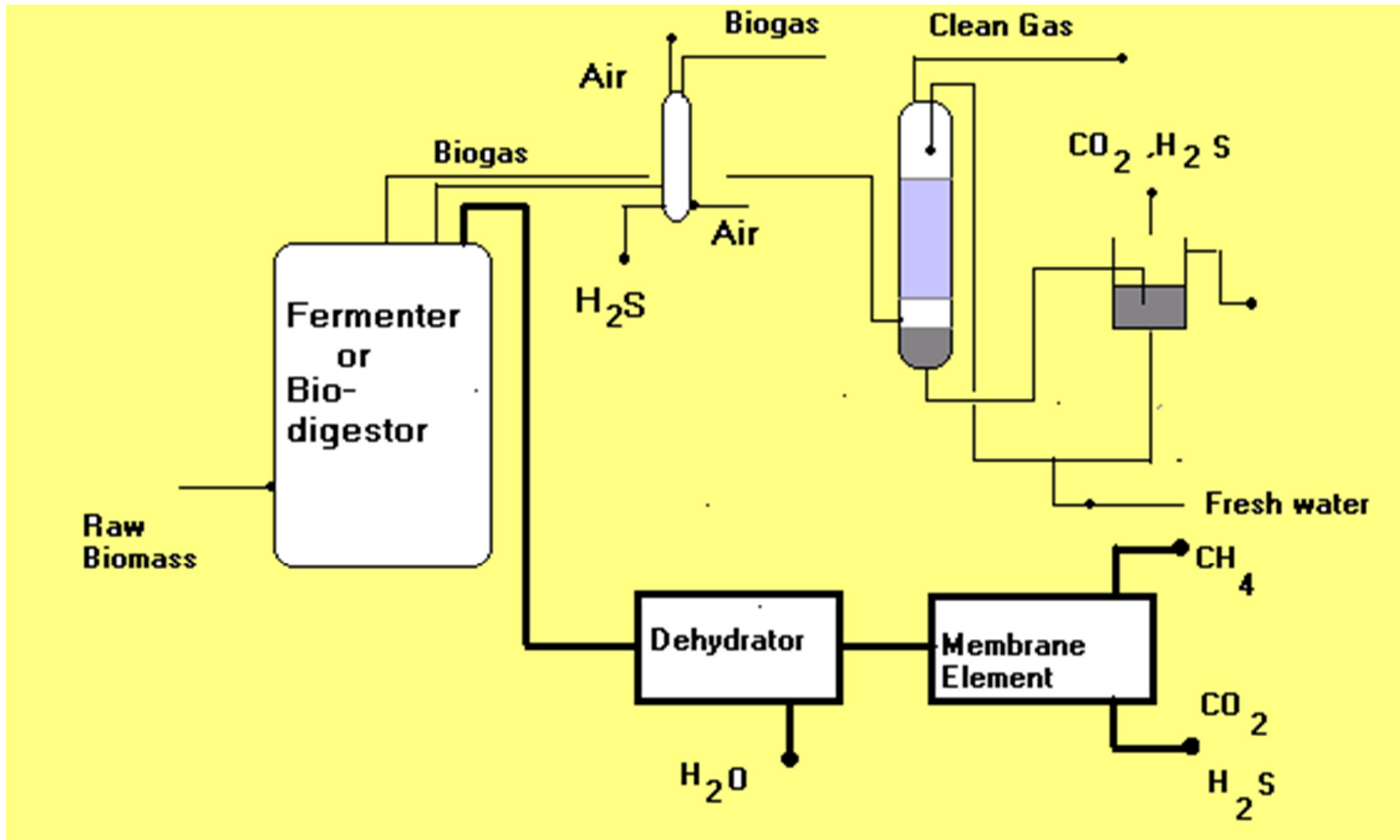
PRODUCTS

- Biogas: CH_4 and CO_2 .
- A solid residue - digestate that is similar, but not identical, to compost,
- A liquid liquor that can be used as a fertilizer.

Mesophilic digestion

takes place between $t=20^{\circ}\text{C}$ - 40°C and can take a month or two to complete.

Thermophilic digestion takes place $t=50-65^{\circ}\text{C}$ and is faster, but the bacteria are more sensitive.



Biogas Generation Via A Digester With Stripping or Membrane Purification

SOURCE <http://www.esru.strath.ac.uk/>

TYPICAL COMPOSITION OF BIOGAS

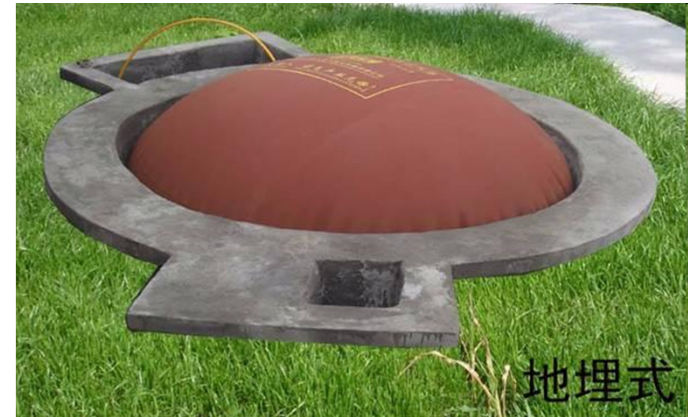
Matter	%
Methane, CH ₄	55-75
Carbon dioxide, CO ₂	25-45
Carbon monoxide, CO	0-0,3
Nitrogen, N ₂	1-5
Hydrogen, H ₂	0-3
Hydrogen sulfide, H ₂ S	0,1-0,5
Oxygen, O ₂	traces;

AVERAGE COMPOSITION LANDFILL GAS

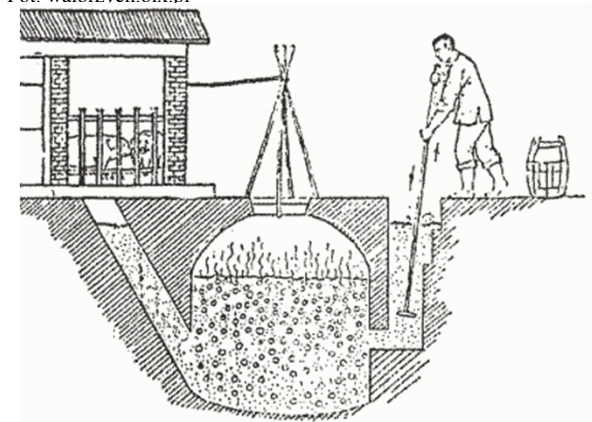
Matter	Content
Methane, CH ₄	54 %
Carbon dioxide, CO ₂	42 %
Oxygen, O ₂	0,8 %
Nitrogen, N ₂	3,1 %
Chlorine (total Cl ₂)	22 mg/ mł
Fluor (total F ₂)	5 mg/ mł
Hydrogen sulfide, H ₂ S	88 mg/mł

Mikro biogasplants

Autogenous microbiogas plants, where boigas is produced by bacteria of proliferation at $t=15 - 20^{\circ}\text{C}$.



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Landfill gas

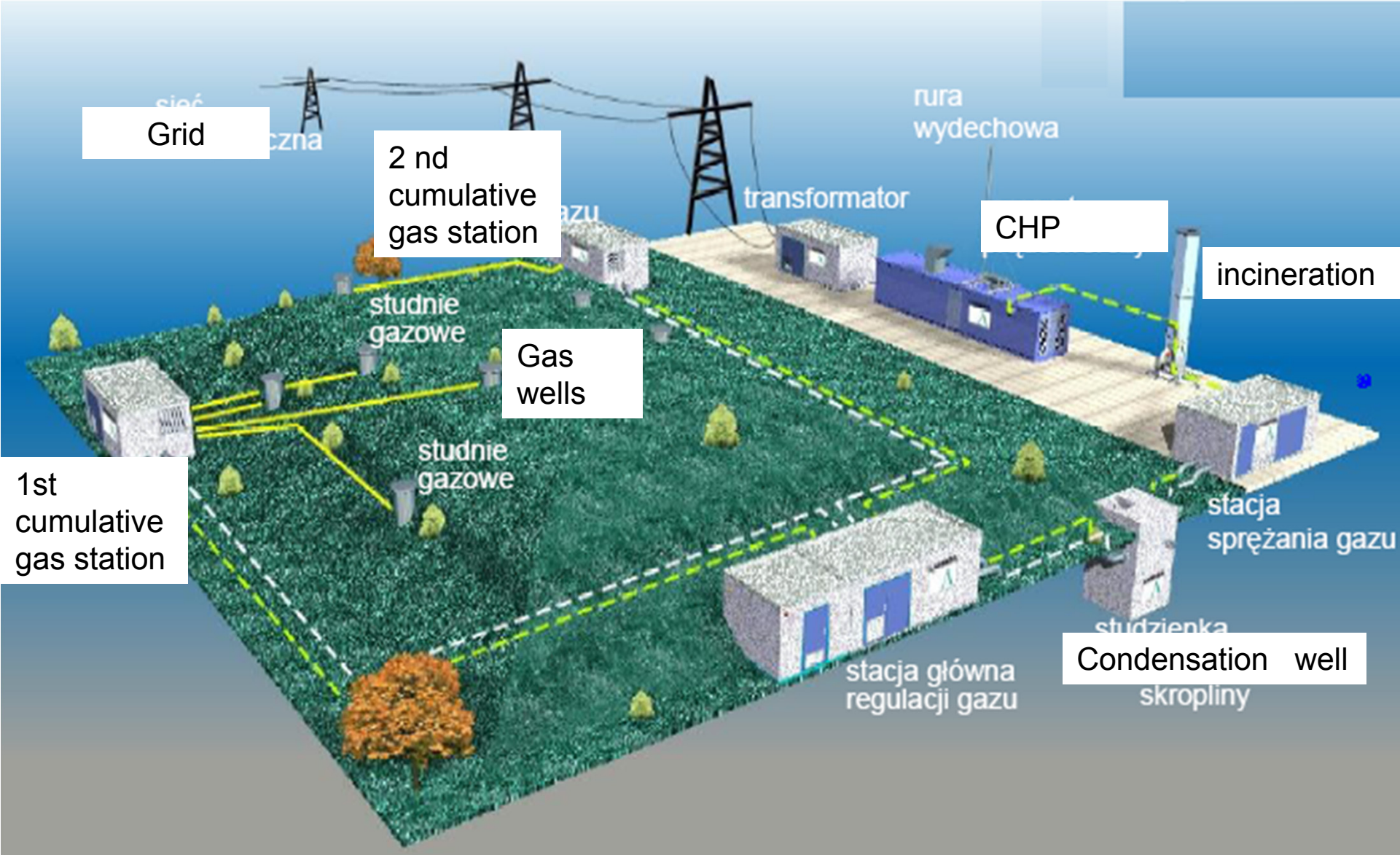


1 t of garbage gives approximately 200 m³ of landfill gas

Composition of landfill gas according to EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)

Gas	Chemical formula	Concentration, EPA, ppm
Methane	CH ₄	500000
Carbon dioxide	CO ₂	500000
Carbon monoxide	CO	309,72
Ammonia	NH ₃	
Ethylene	C ₂ H ₄	
Ethane	C ₂ H ₆	1105
Propane	C ₃ H ₈	11,1
Acetone	C ₂ H ₆ CO	7,1
Hydrogen sulfide	H ₂ S	35,5
Ethyl mercaptane	C ₂ H ₂ SH	2,28
Methyl mercaptane	CH ₃ SH	4,34

Scheme of degassing instalation at the waste dump



Swedish –Polish project „ Biogas from algae”



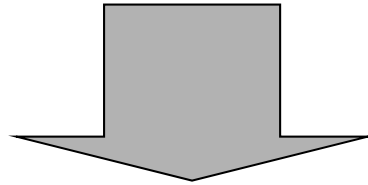
http://ekogroup.info/wp-content/uploads/2010/06/biogaz_algi_glony_energia-300x201.jpg

- Trelleborg (Sweden) spent yearly 0,5 mln crowns (50 000€/year) for removing algae(see-weeds)
- Trelleborg i Sopot (Poland) run a project of a biogas plant supplied with algae
- 1,2 mln € financed from UE, Project „, Southern Baltic”
- Now machines for collectin algae are tested
- Fermentation residues contains a lot of Cd ,
- Now the test of the special biofilters for Cd capture are being performed

COMBUSTION

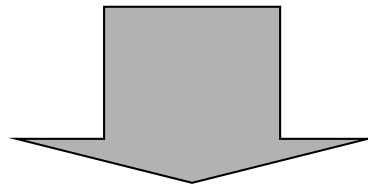
PRIMARY ENERGY

Chemical energy contained in the fuel



EFFECTIVE ENERGY

Effective energy that comes from combustion of fuel.



FINAL ENERGY

Effective energy obtained from the fuel, considering conversion and transportation losses.

SOLID AND LIQUID FUELS

Combustible

BALAST

C

S

H₂

ASH

MOISTURE

GAS

Combustible

BALAST

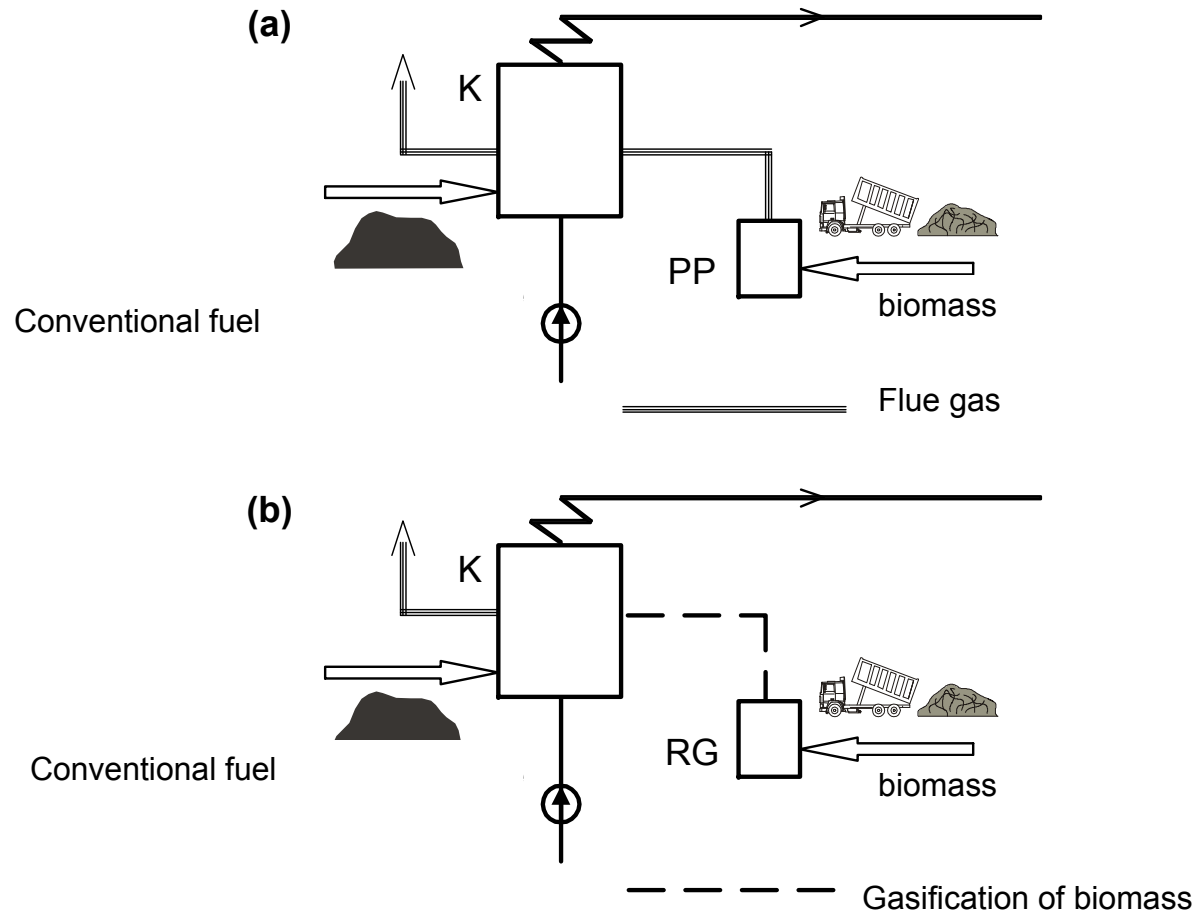
C

S

H₂

CO₂, N₂, H₂O

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES OF BIOMASS COFIRING

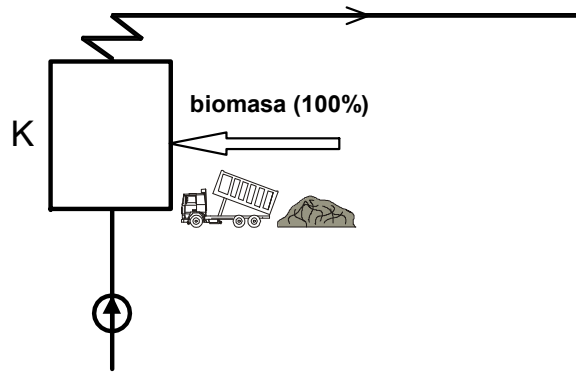


**Co-firing of biomass with the use of Dutch oven PP (a)
and the gas generator RG (b)**

b) (Lahden Lampovoima Oy, Lahti, Finland)

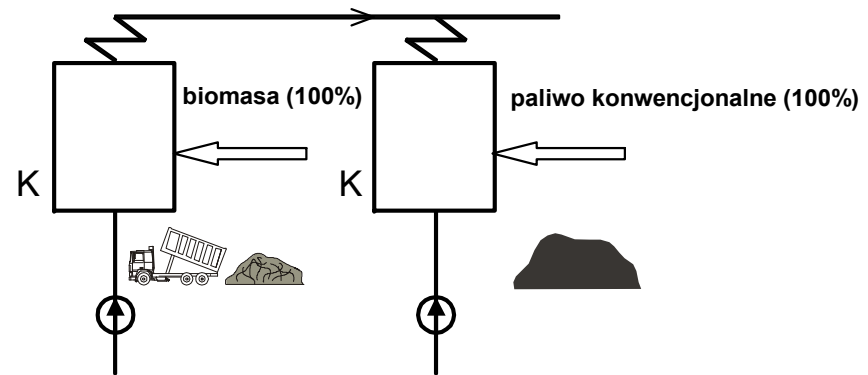
Direct combustion of biomass

(Kokkolan Voima Oy, Finland)



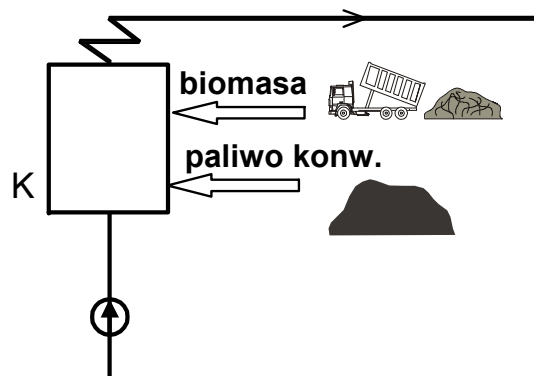
Direct combustion of biomass in The hybrid installations

(Denmark SK Power - Avedore II, Dania)



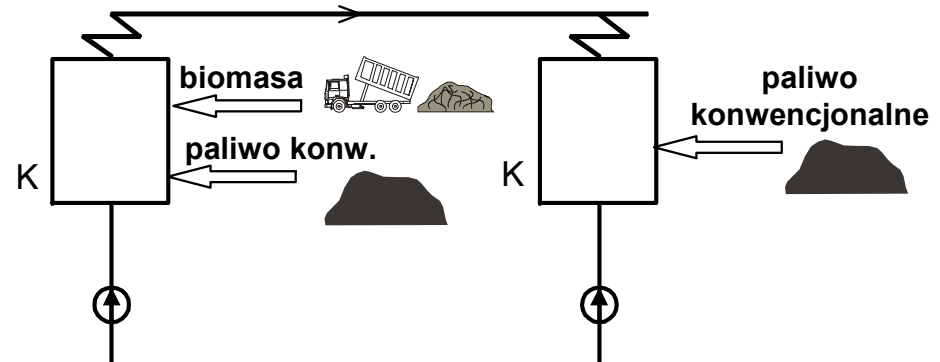
Co-firing of biomass

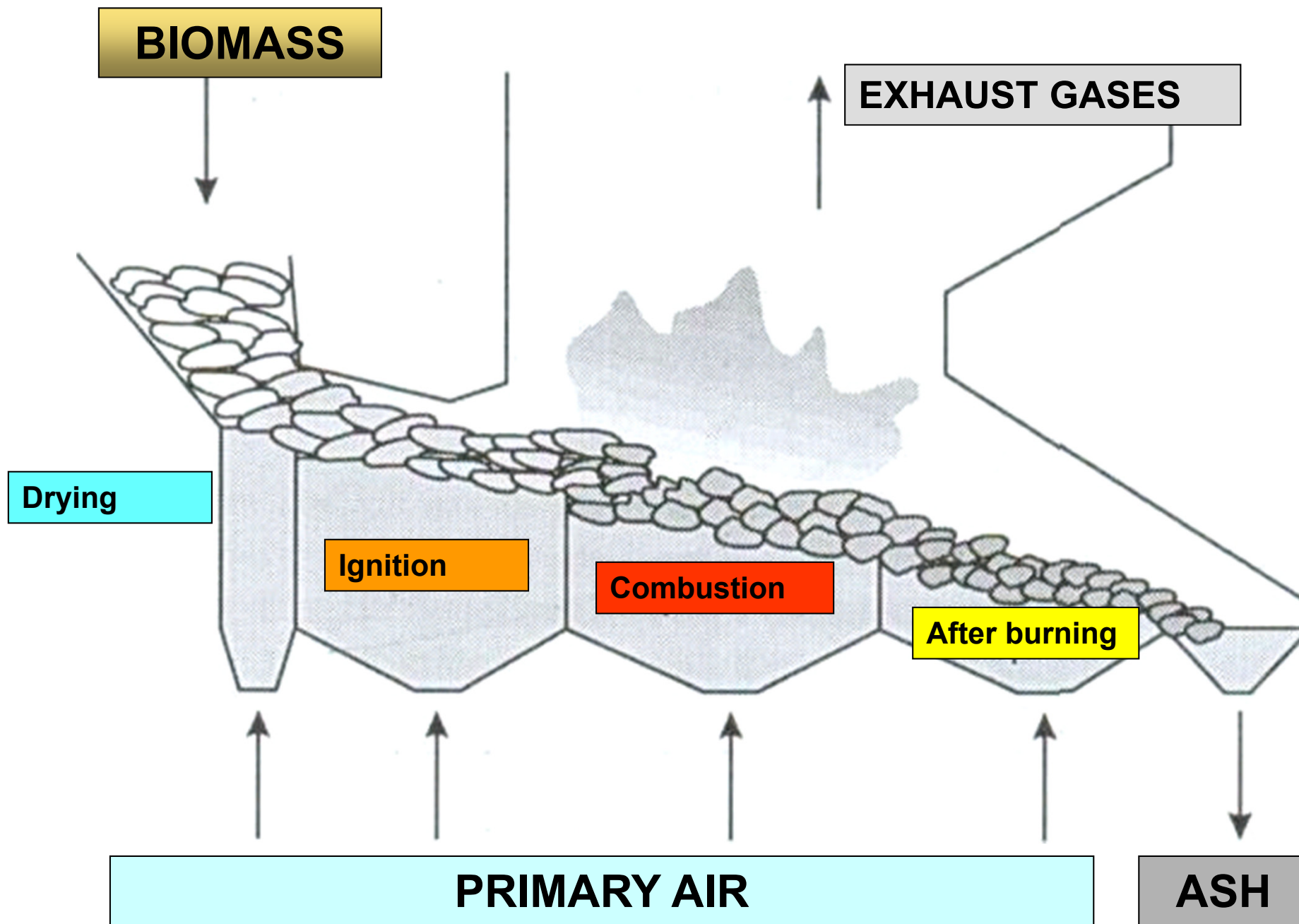
(Elektrownia Dolna Odra, Szczecin, Poland)

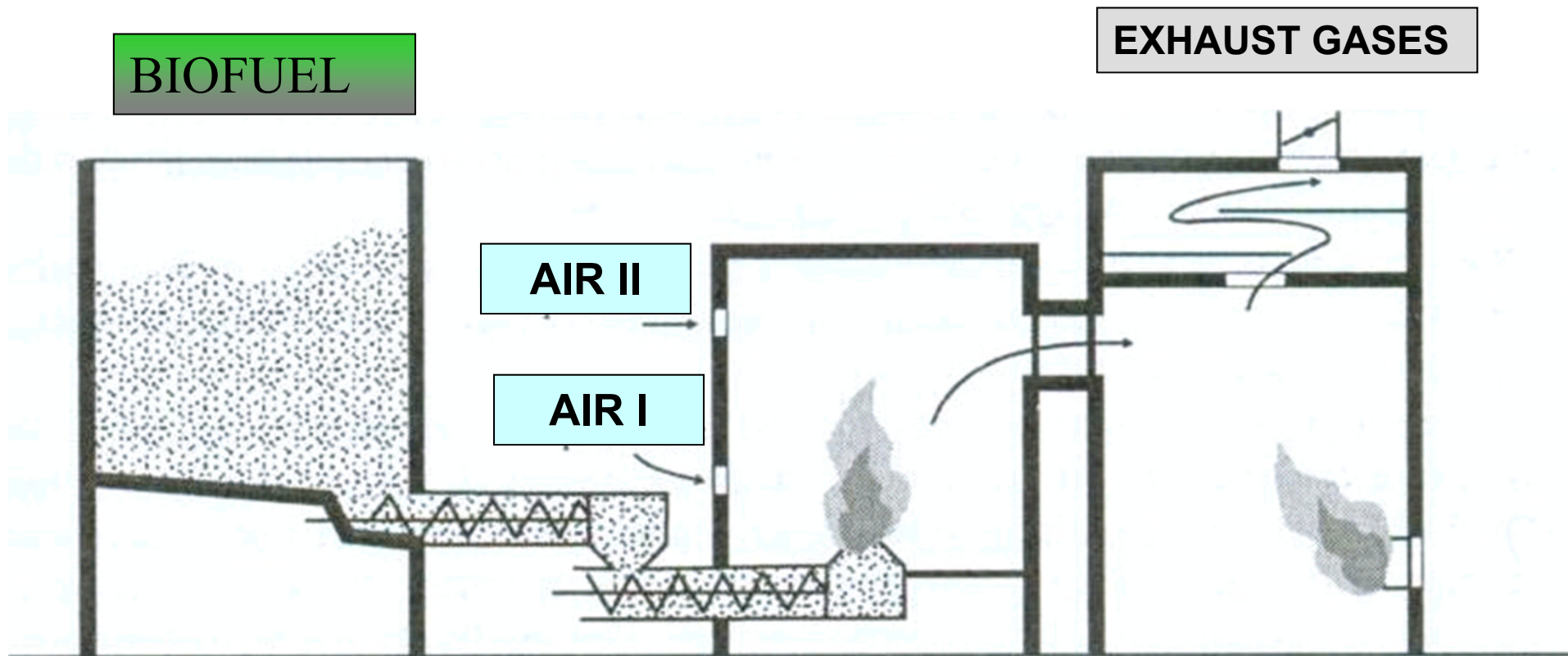


Mixed technology of biomass cofiring

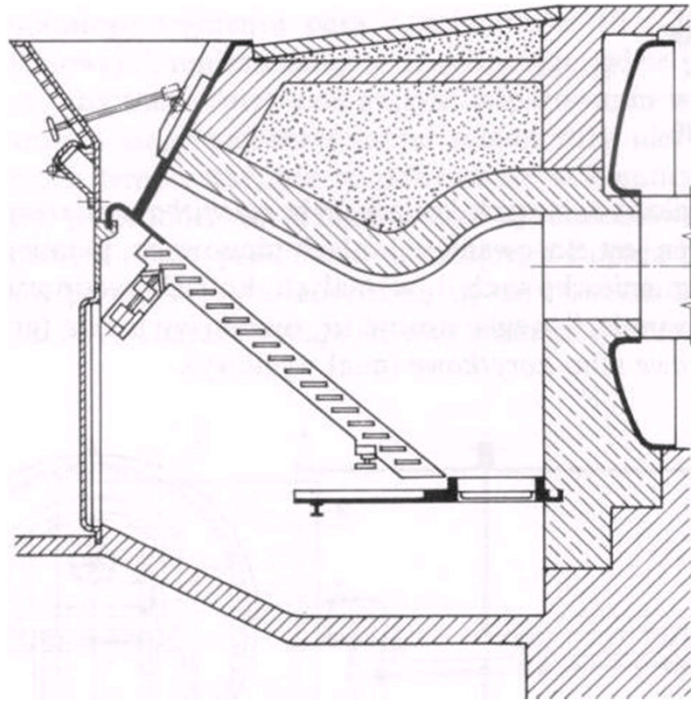
(Zespół Elektrowni Pątnów-Adamów-Konin S.A., Poland)





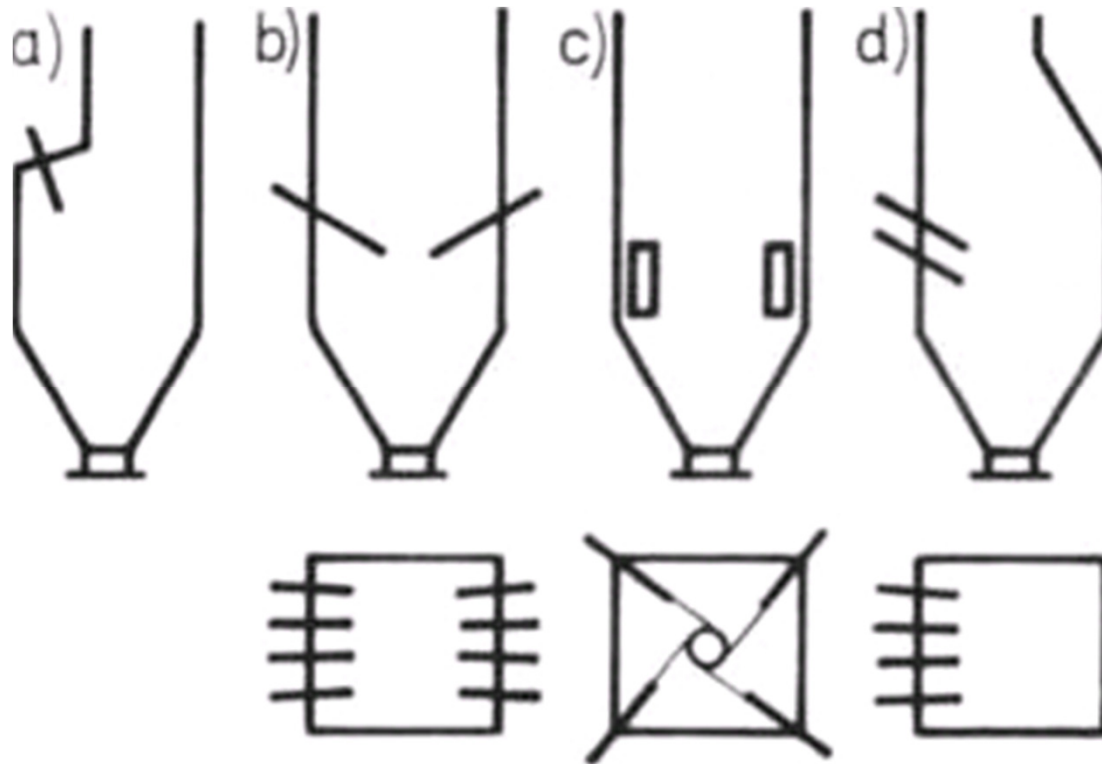


COMBUSTION OF BIOMASS IN THE BOILER EQUIPPED WITH THE DUTCH OVEN



BOILER FURNACE

SYSTEM OF POWDERED-FUEL BURNERS

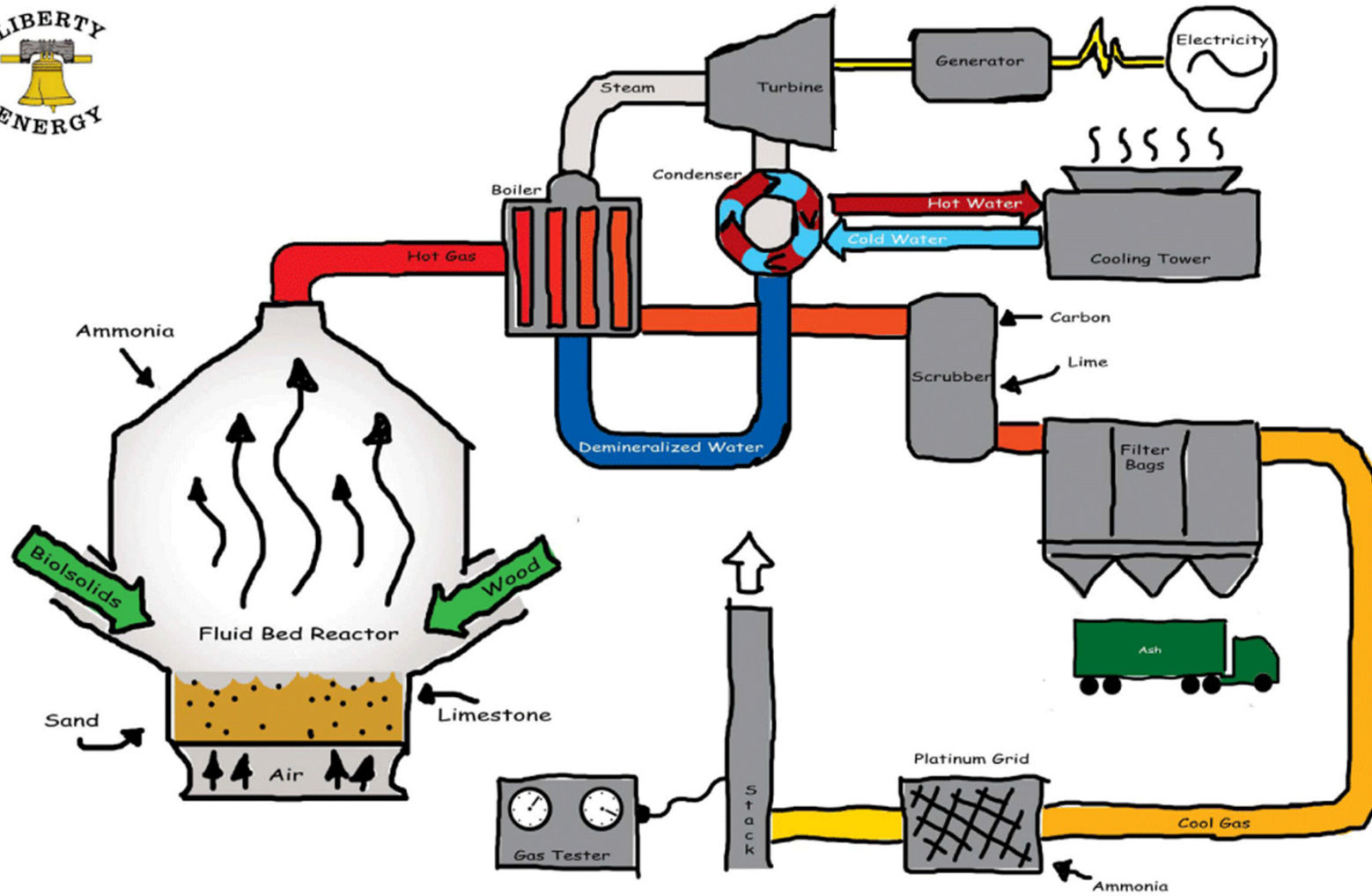


BIOMASS CO-FIRING IN THE POWER PLANT DOLNA ODRA STARE CZARNOWO



Photos: A.Majchrzycka

FLUIDISED BED BOILERS



REV 01



**Heat boiler
"WARMET-
SDS Keramik"**

Heat boiler fuelled with:

- wood
 - wooden briquettes,
 - sawdust,
 - peat,
 - straw.
- coke,
 - hard coal, brown coal,
 - hard coal dust
 - oil fuel

Parameters of heat boiler:

- maximal heat power 13,5 kW,
- efficiency ,when feeded with the solid fuel 80 %
- efficiency when feeded with the fuel oil >92 %



Heat boiler fuelled with:
pellets

- eko-pea,
- wood .

Heat boiler parameters:

- maximal heat power 13,5 kW,
- nominal efficiency 87 %

Heat boiler -Ling Combi



Heat boiler fuelled with:

- straw
- wood

Heat boiler parameters:

- nominal heat power 15 kW,
- nominal efficiency 80 %
- single load of combustion chamber:
2 straw bricks of 45x40x80 cm



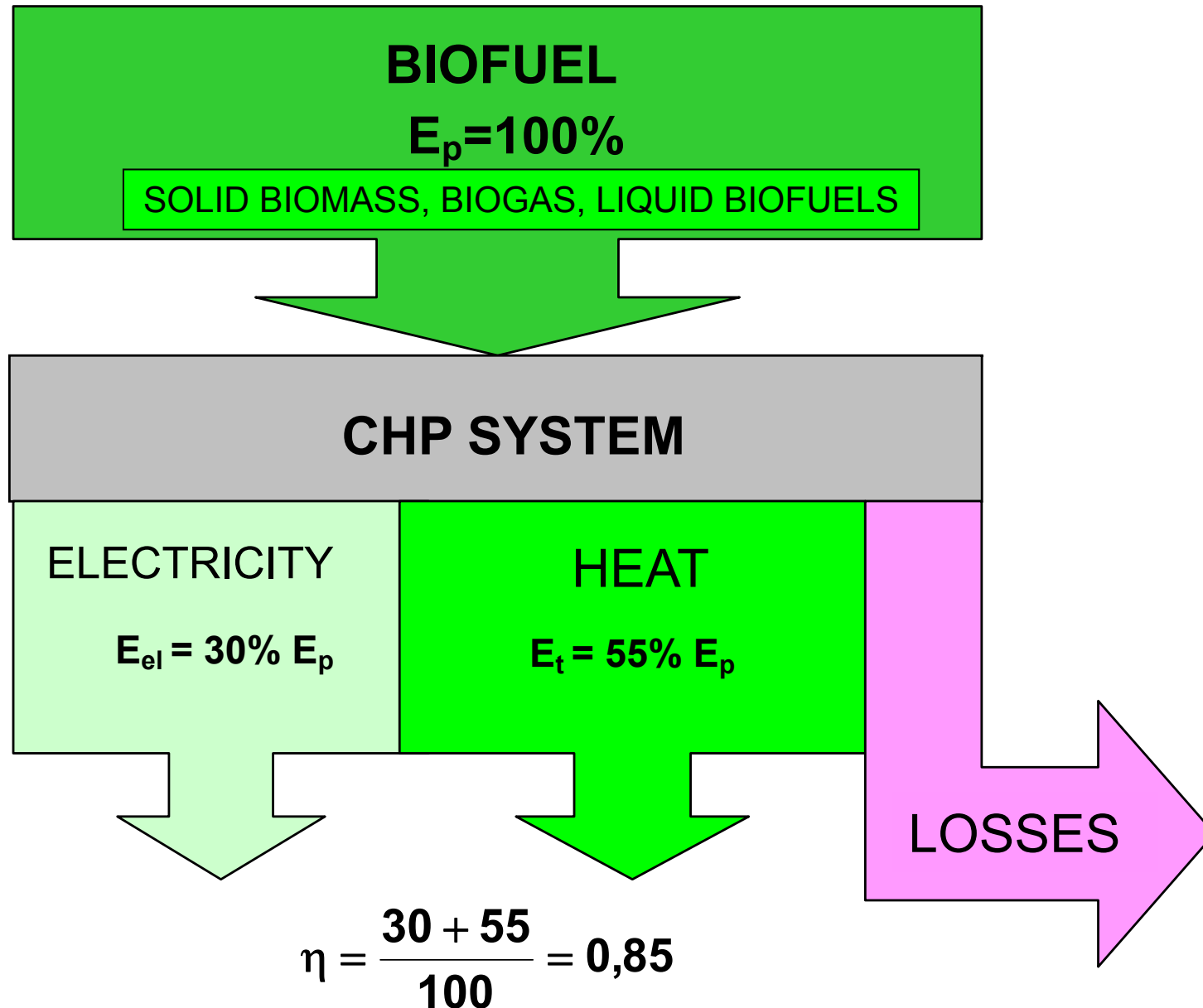
Photo:A.Majchrzycka

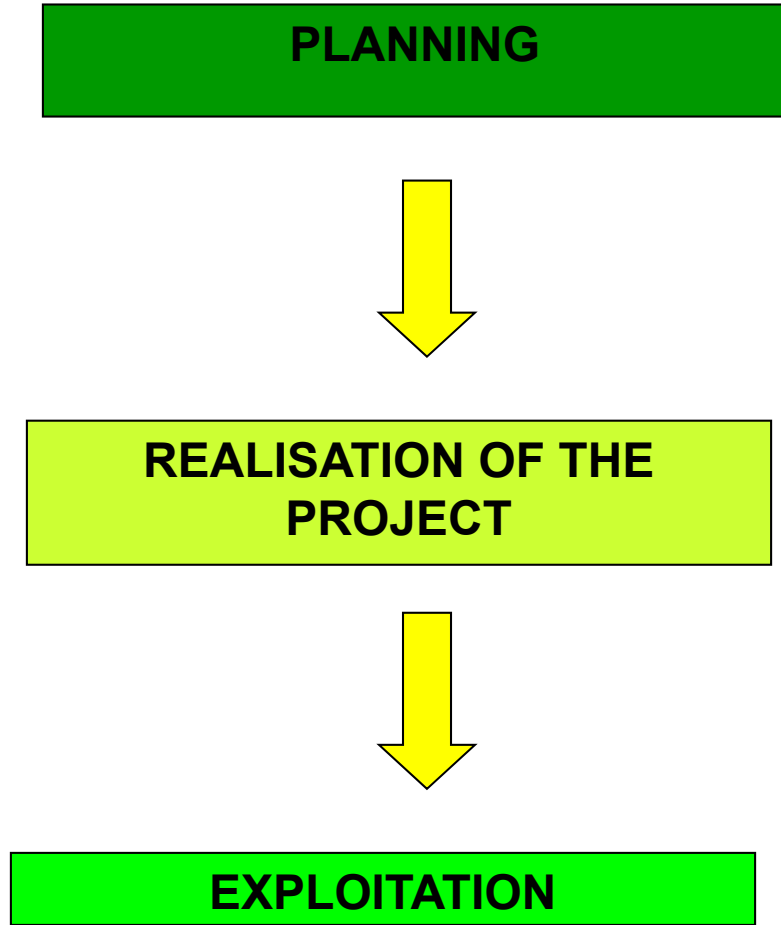
STRAW FIRED BOILER IN THE SMALL RURAL HEAT GENERATING PLANT

CHP

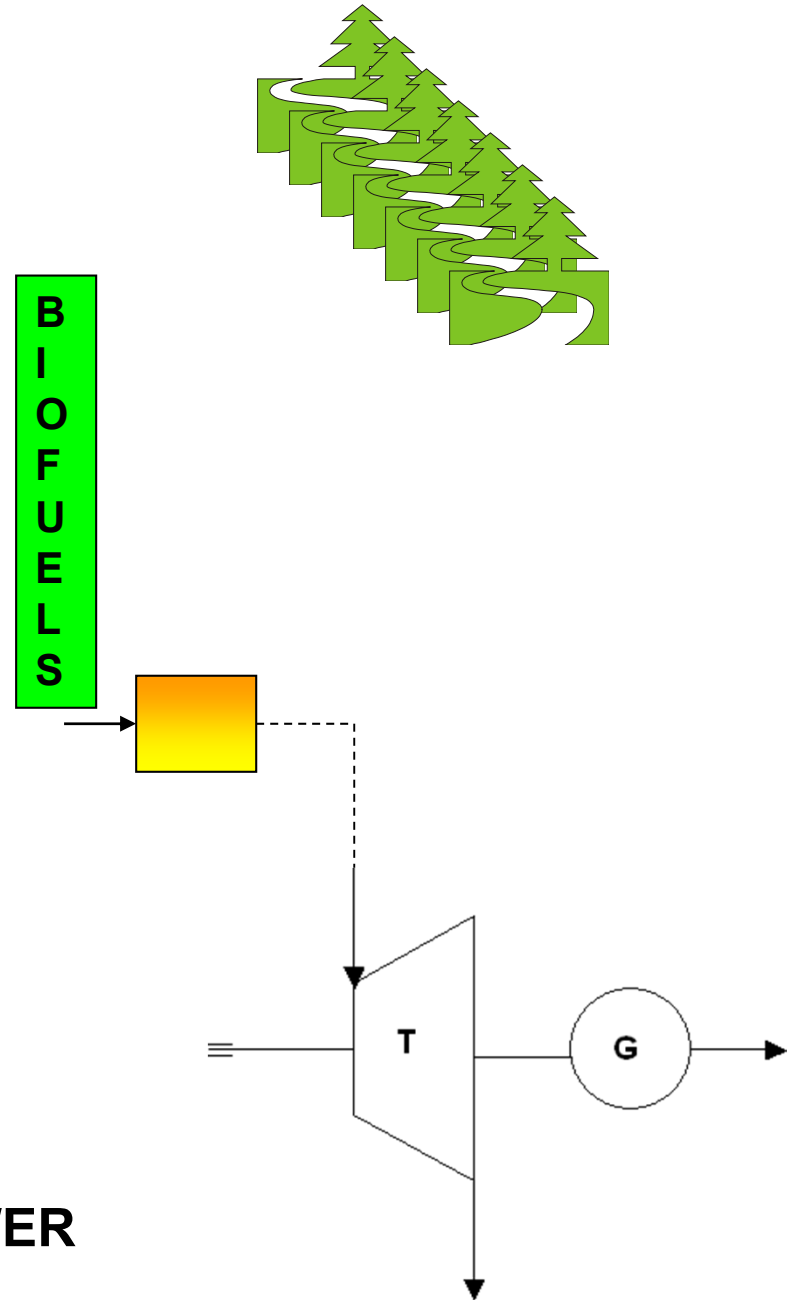
COMBINED **H**EAT AND **P**OWER

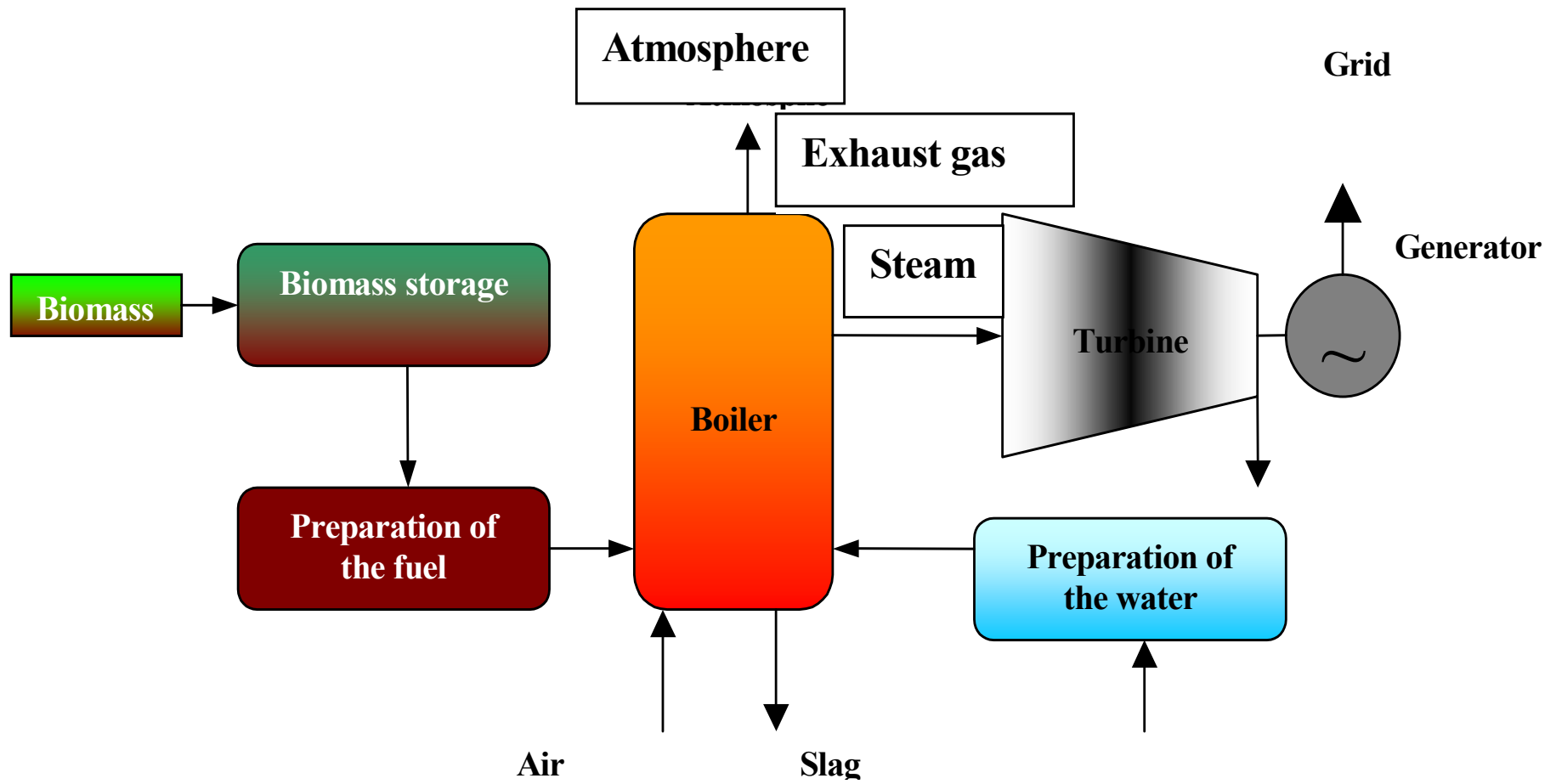
COMBINED HEAT AND POWER PRODUCTION





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COMBINED HEAT AND POWER PRODUCTION

ADVANTAGES OF CHP :

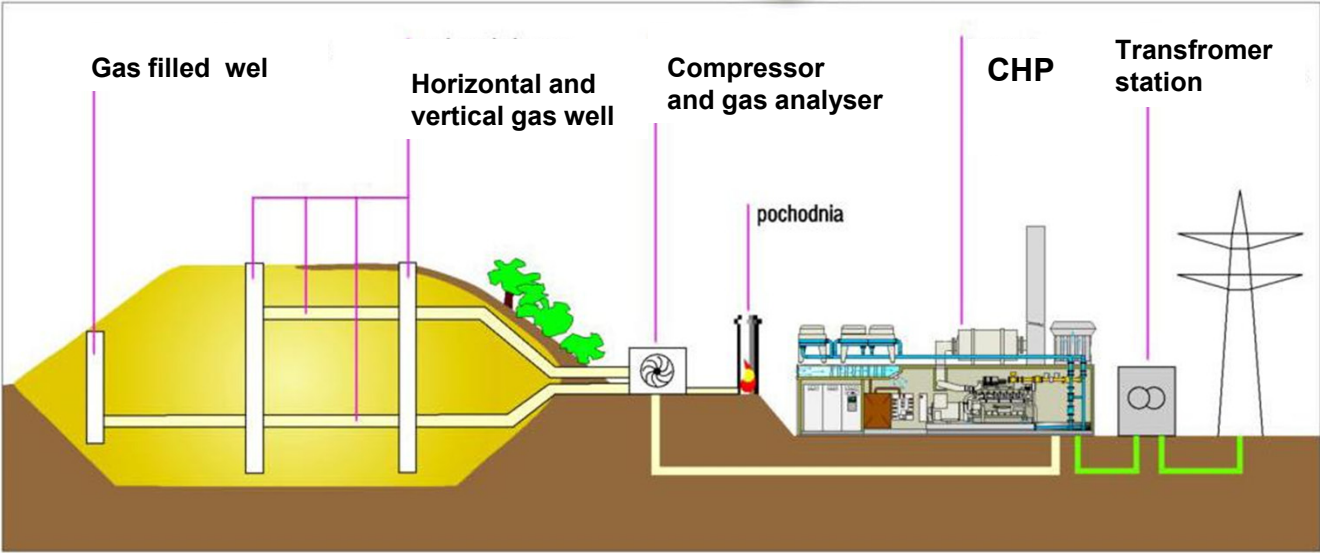
- Energetic efficiency about 40% higher than separated production of electricity and power,
- About 30% less fuel consumption than that in the conventional boilers,
- Reduced emissions,
- Lower production costs .

CHP SYSTEMS BASED ON COMBUSTION OF :

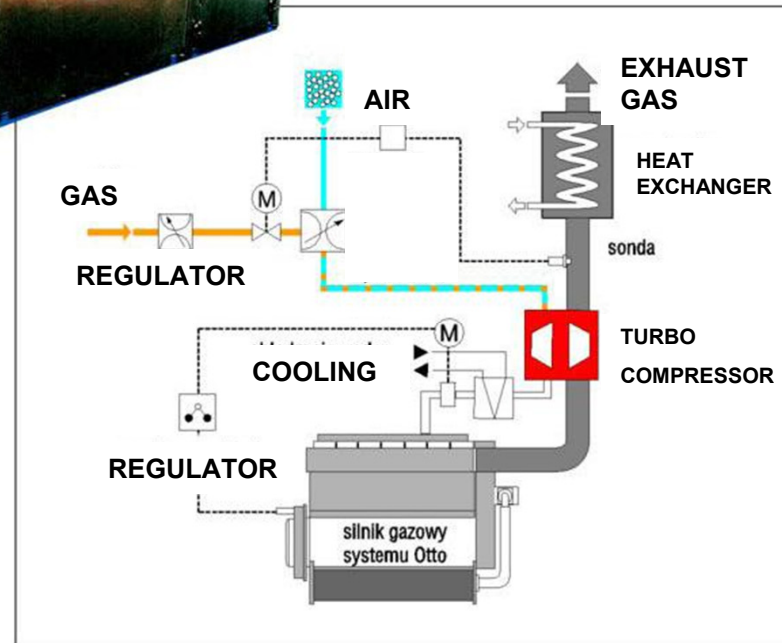
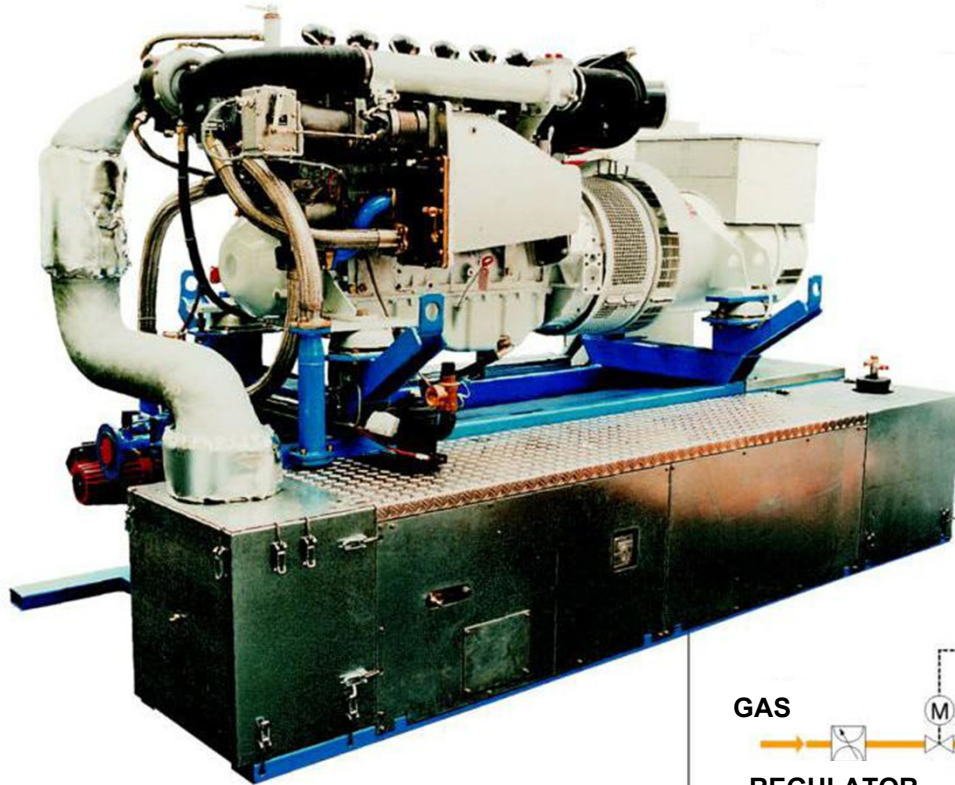
- BIOMASS,
- BIOGAS,
- LANDFILL GAS,
- SLUDGE,
- **RDF** (**R**esidue **D**elivered **F**uel),
- **MDF** (**M**unicipal **D**elivered **F**uel).

$$\eta_{th} = 90\% \quad \eta_{el} = 32-37\%$$

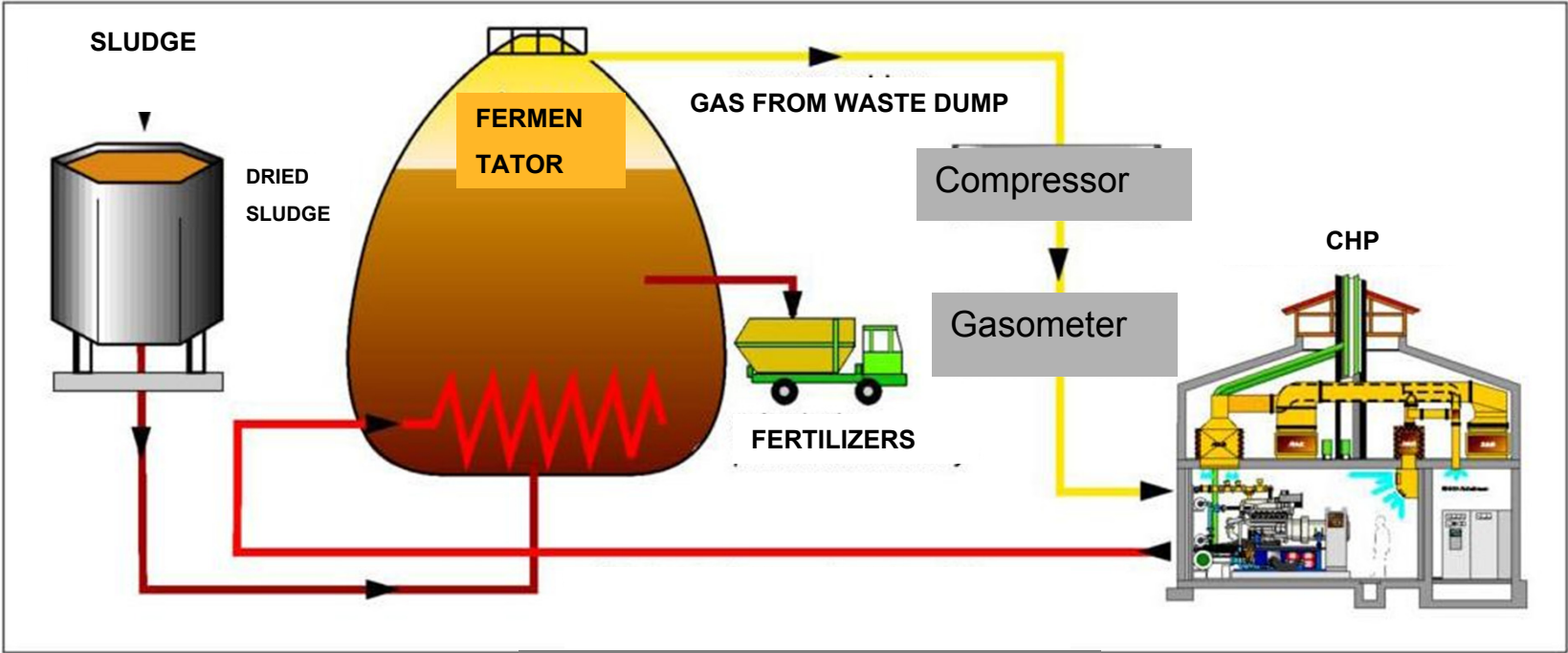
LANDFILL FIRED CHP SYSTEM



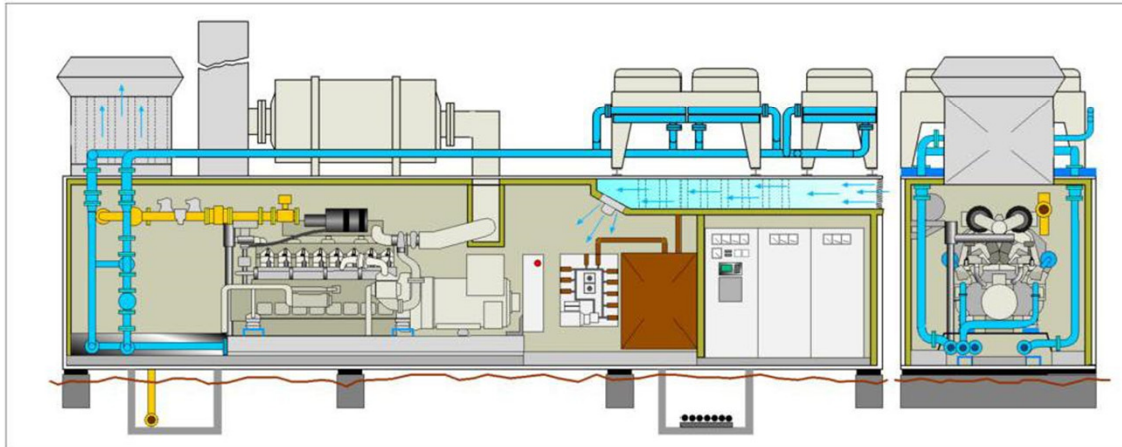
GAS FUELLED CHP SYSTEM



SLUDGE CHP SYSTEMS



GHP MODULES



World energy scenarios – Future goals

No.			Source
1.	Non collected straw (50%)	75 000 PJ/year	Sanders J.: <i>Biorefinery, the bridge between Agriculture and Chemistry</i> . Wageningen University and Researchcenter. Workshop: Energy crops & Bioenergy.
2.	Collected waste processing (50%)	45 000 PJ/year	
3.	Forest/pastures (50%)	150 000 PJ/year	
4.	10% of arable land – World Wide (20tTS/ha)	51 000 PJ	Holm-Nielsen J.B., Madsen M., Popiel P.O.: <i>Predicted energy crop potentials for biogas/bioenergy. Worldwide – regions – EU25</i> . AAUE/SDU. Workshop: Energy crops & Bioenergy.
5.	20% of arable land – World Wide (20tTS/ha)	101 000 PJ	
6.	30% of arable land – World Wide (20tTS/ha)	152 000 PJ	
Sum: 1+2+3+5		371 000 PJ	

	Predicted value	Source
Total energy required year 2050	1 000 000 PJ/year	Sanders J.: <i>Biorefinery, the bridge between Agriculture and Chemistry</i> . Workshop: Energy crops & Bioenergy.
Total energy demand year 2050	1 300 000 PJ/year	Shell's World Energy Scenario