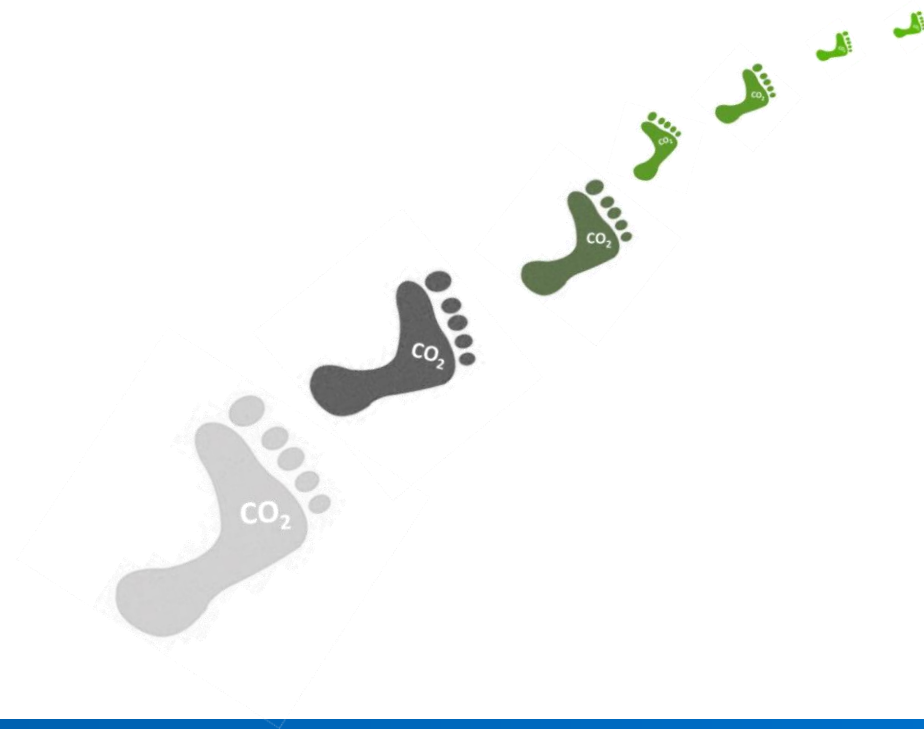


# Hydrogen Injection at Tata Steel

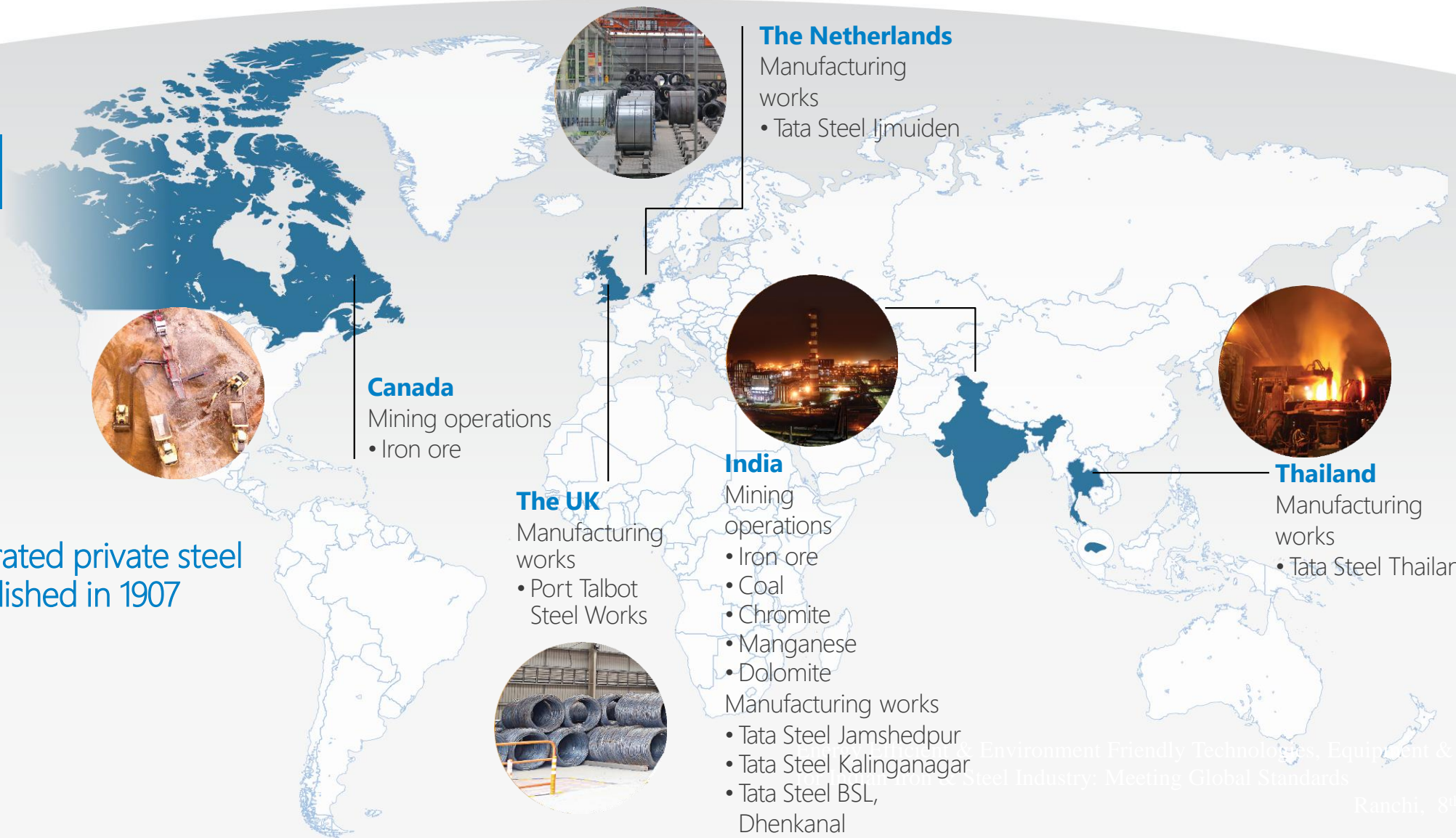
Dr. Samik Nag



# Tata Steel footprint

**CAPACITIES**  
**34 MnTPA**  
GLOBAL CRUDE STEEL

Asia's first integrated private steel company, established in 1907



... & Environment Friendly Technologies, Equipment & Services  
... Steel Industry: Meeting Global Standards  
Ranchi, 8<sup>th</sup> Sept '22

# Tata Steel : Business overview

 **11<sup>th</sup>** largest steel producer in the world (crude steel capacity)  
*\*worldsteel 2019 ranking*

 **34 MnTPA**  
annual crude steel capacity

 **>77,000**  
employees

 **\$ 30.3 billion**  
Turnover



## PRODUCT RANGE

- Hot Rolled Coil
- Cold Rolled Coil
- Galvanised coil
- Wire Rod
- Coated Coil
- Rebar
- Wires
- Tubes



## KEY MARKET SEGMENTS

- Construction
- Automotive
- General Engineering
- Industrial Products
- Agriculture



## KEY BRANDS



**India** 

Target Net-Zero  
Emission by 2070

**Tata Steel**

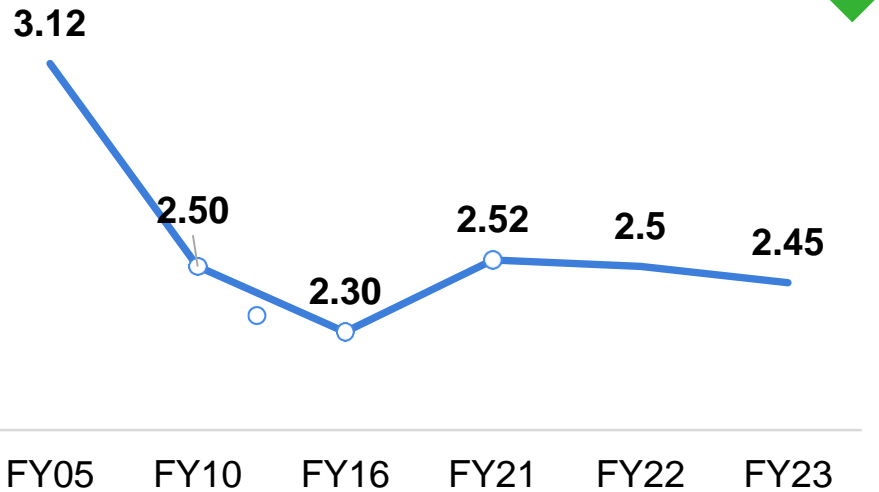
Target Net-Zero  
Emission by 2045

# Target for Tata Steel

## Target

### Performance Over the Years

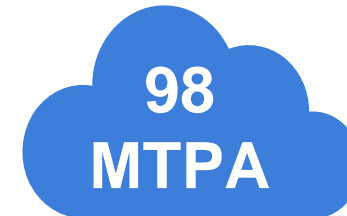
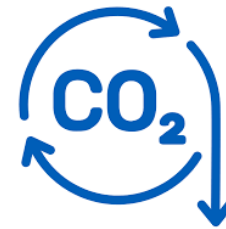
Emission Intensity (tCO<sub>2</sub>/tcs)



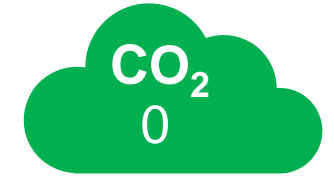
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2023  
Now



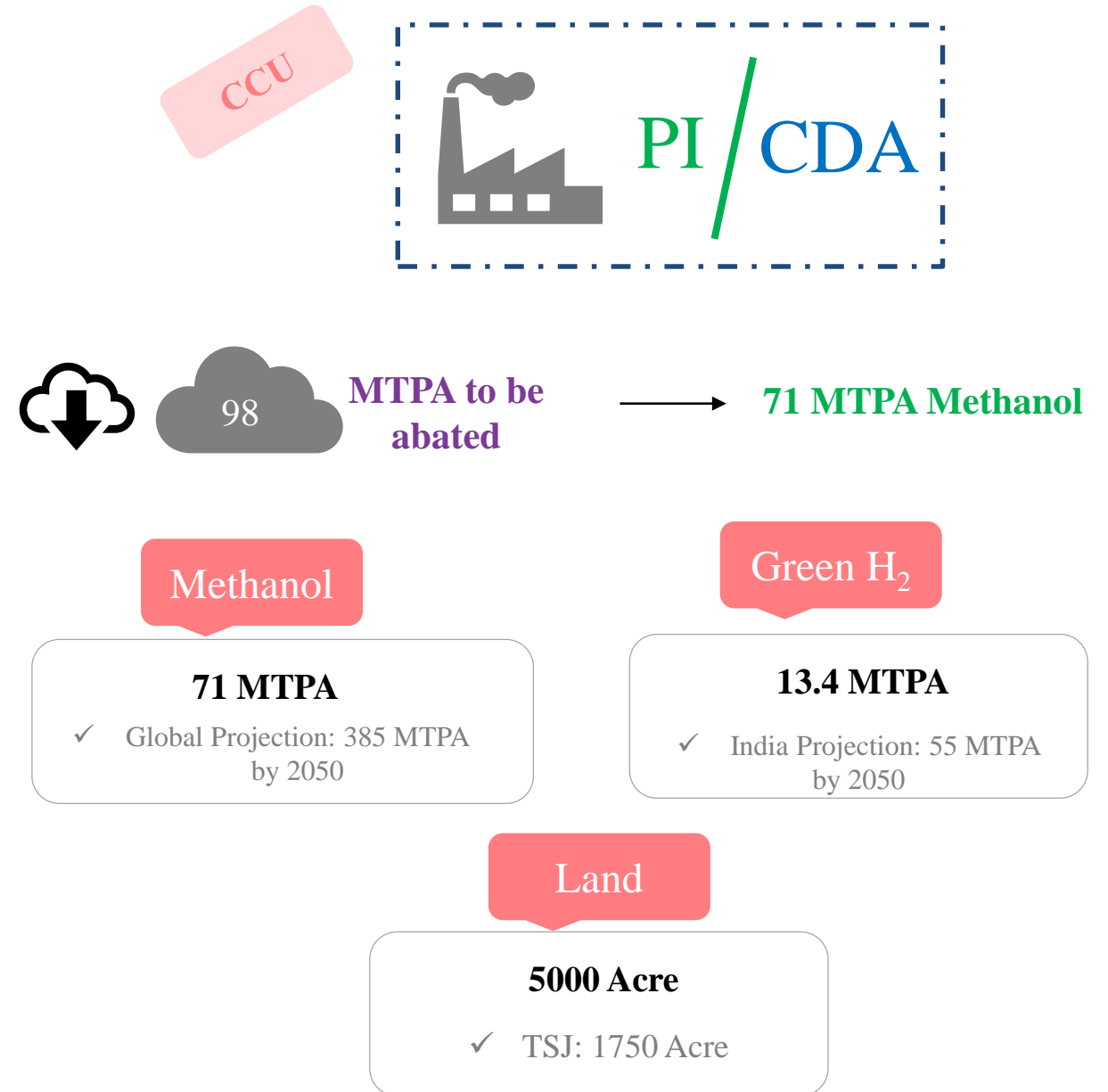
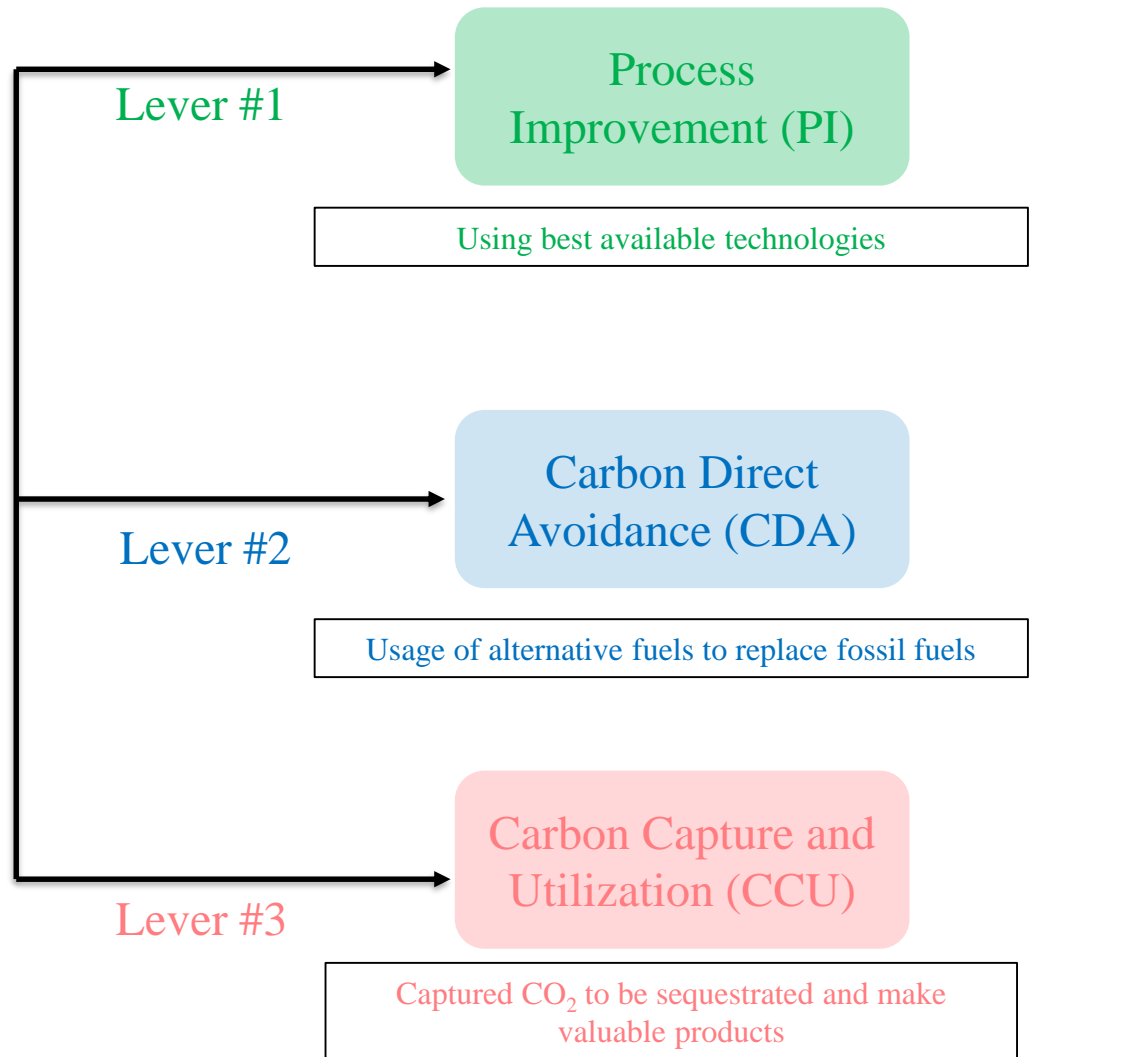
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2045



# Multitrack decarbonization strategy

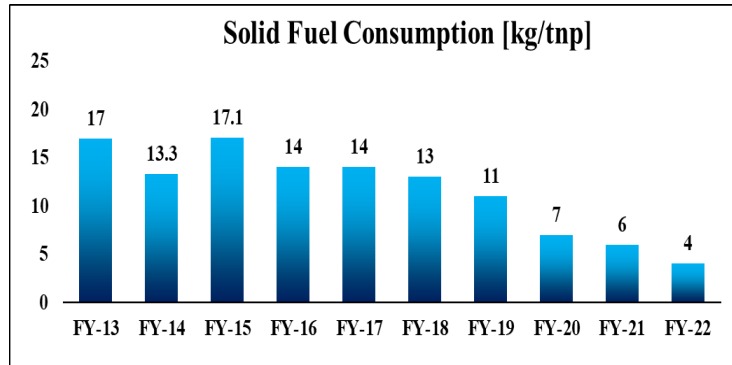


Ref: Innovation Outlook, Renewable Methanol, IRENA Energyworld.com

# Process Improvement | | Some shining cases

## A Reduction of solid fuel consumption in Pellet

Use of waste carbonaceous material for pellet making



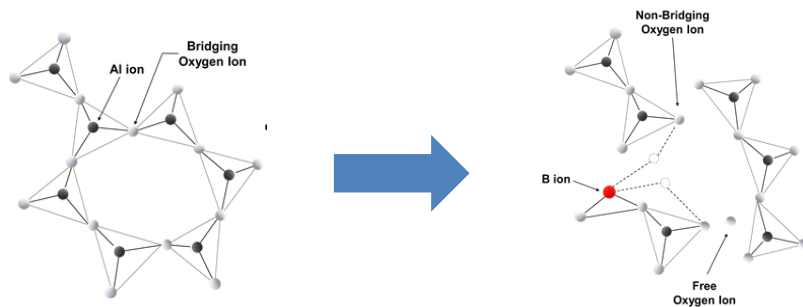
**CO<sub>2</sub> savings | 20 kg/tcs**

## B Burden Distribution Simulators for Blast Furnace



**CO<sub>2</sub> savings | 26 kg/tcs**

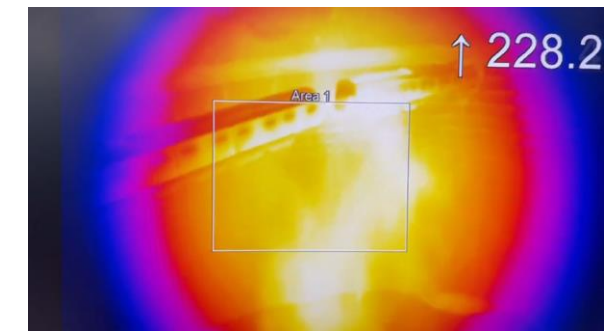
## C Managing low grade ore



**CO<sub>2</sub> savings | 17 kg/tcs**

## D

- Visualisation inside furnace
- Best ever coke rate in F BF



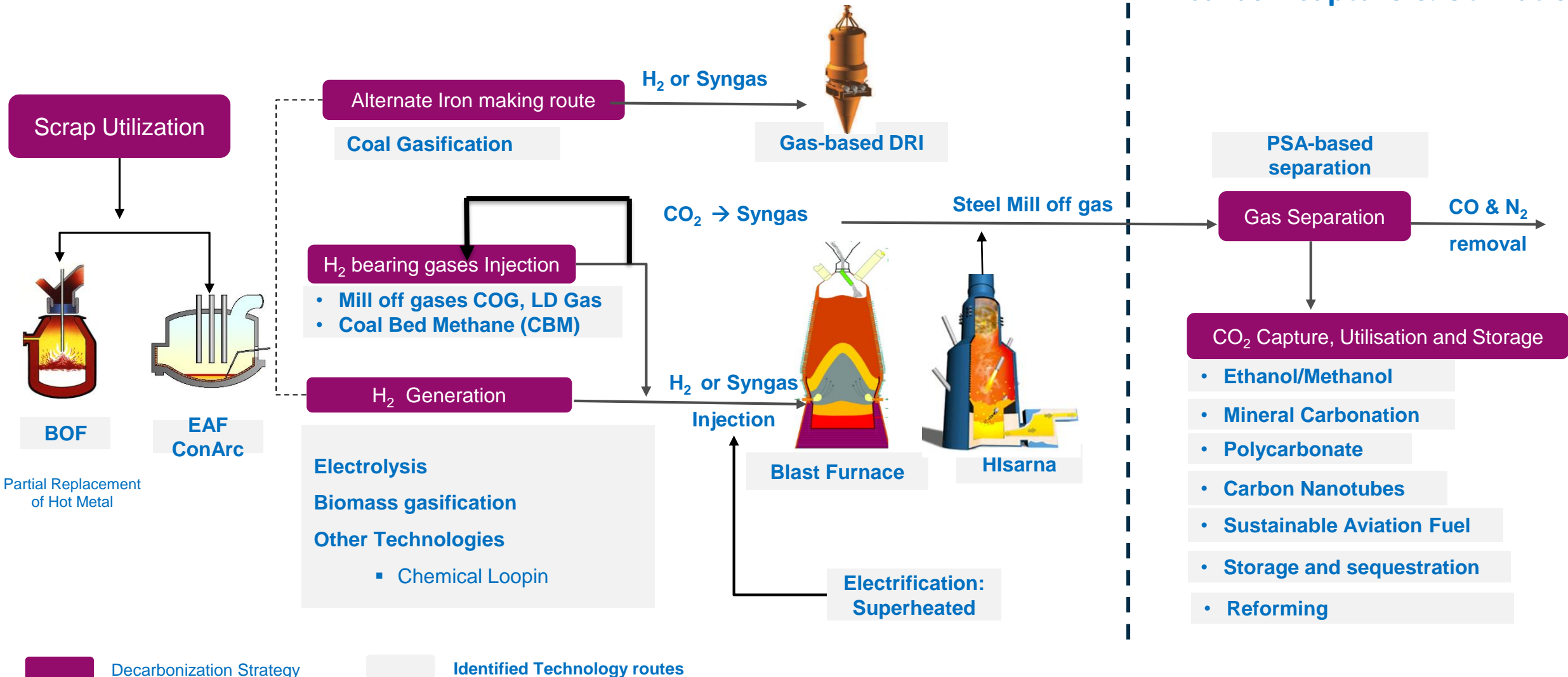
**CO<sub>2</sub> savings | 50 kg/tcs**



# Tata Steel's efforts

## Carbon Direct Avoidance

## Carbon Capture & Utilization



COG: Coke Oven Gas, DRI: Direct Reduced Iron, BOF: Basic Oxygen Furnace, EAF: Electric Arc Furnace, PSA: Pressure Swing Adsorption



# Vision



**BEGINNER**



**COMPETENT**

*Learn with  
Hydrogen bearing gas*



**PROFICIENT**

*Design system for  
pure H<sub>2</sub> injection*



**EXPERT**

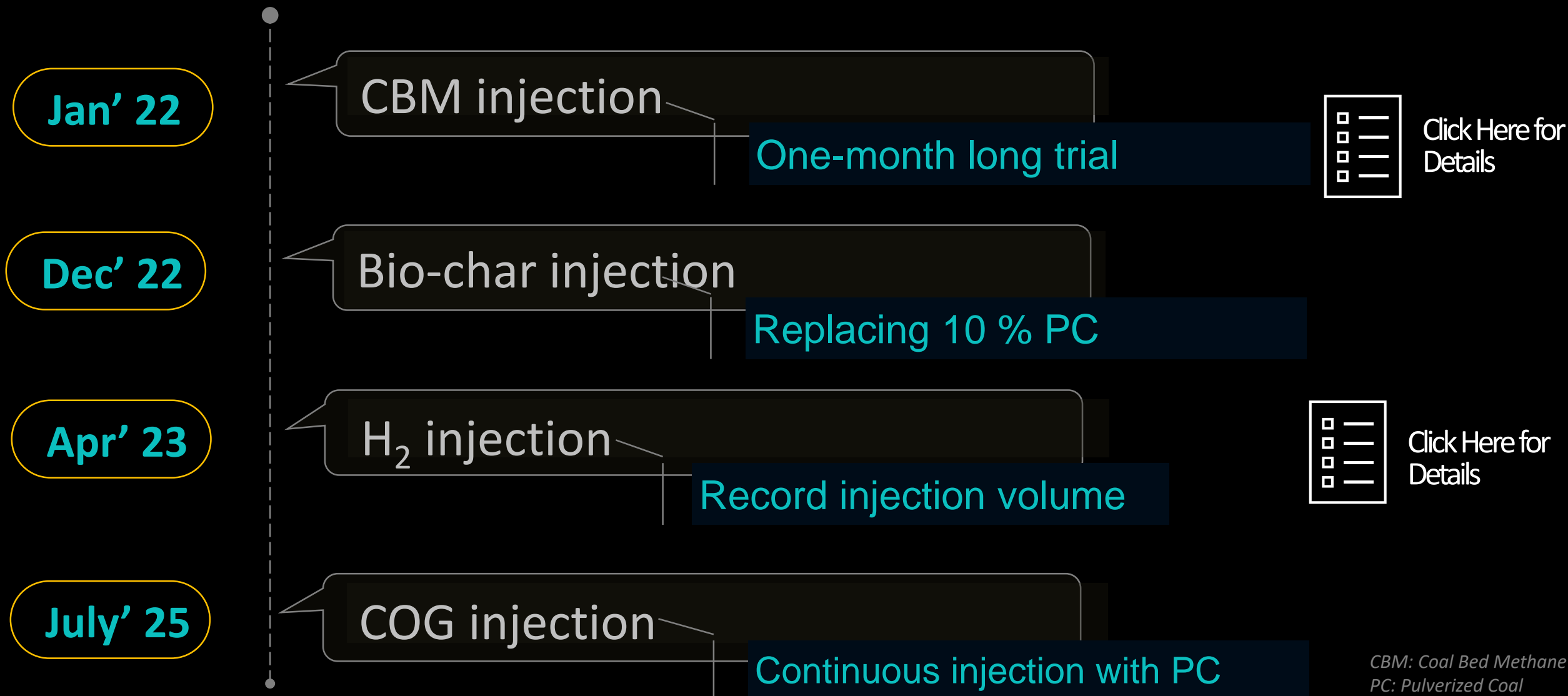
*Plan for  
continuous use*

115 Years of Blast Furnace operation

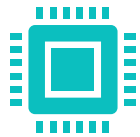
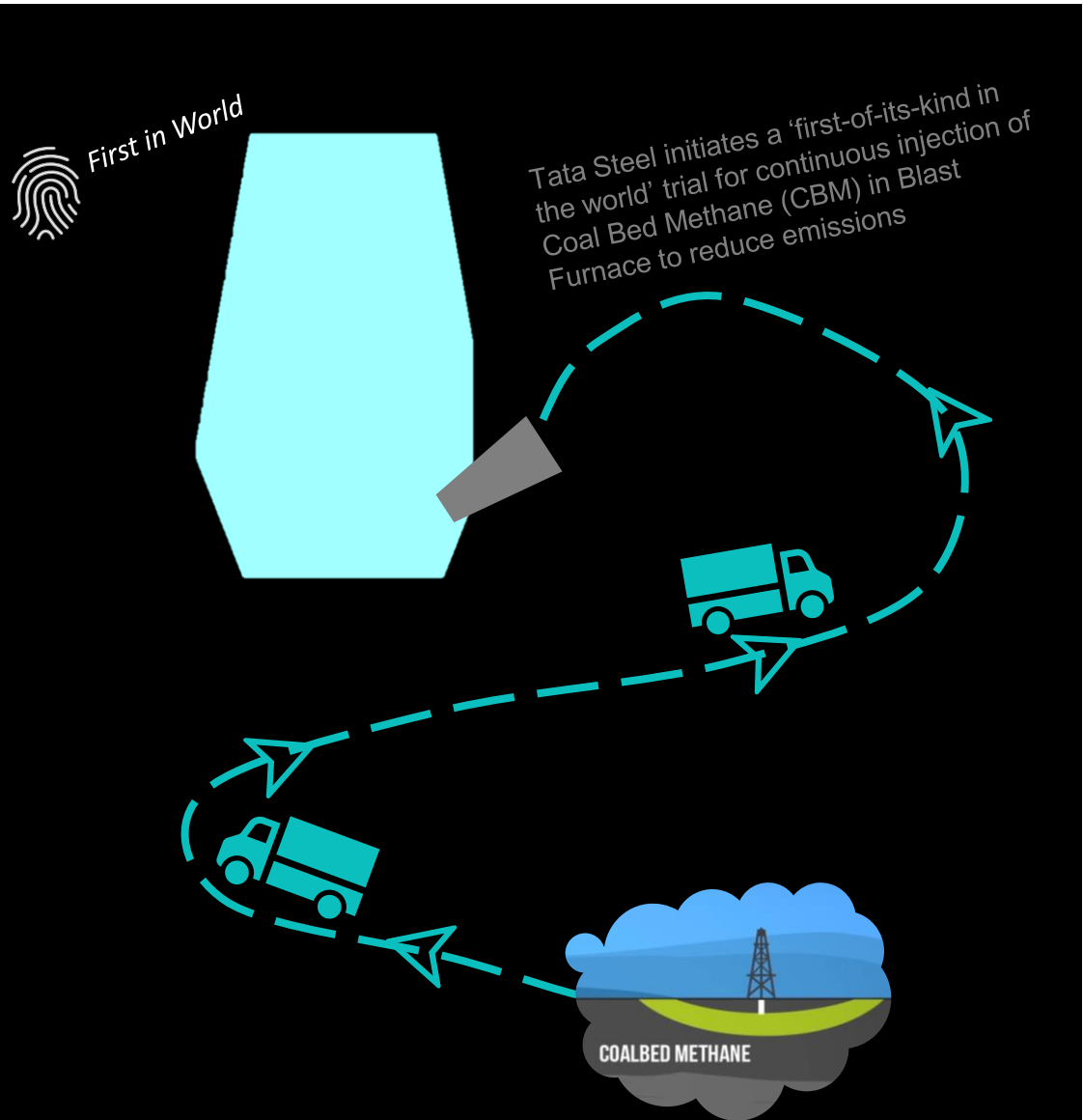


No Gas Injection

# Carbon Direct Avoidance journey at a glance



# CBM Injection



Onsite pressure reducing station & heating arrangement



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Month-Long Trial



Successfully co-injected with tar

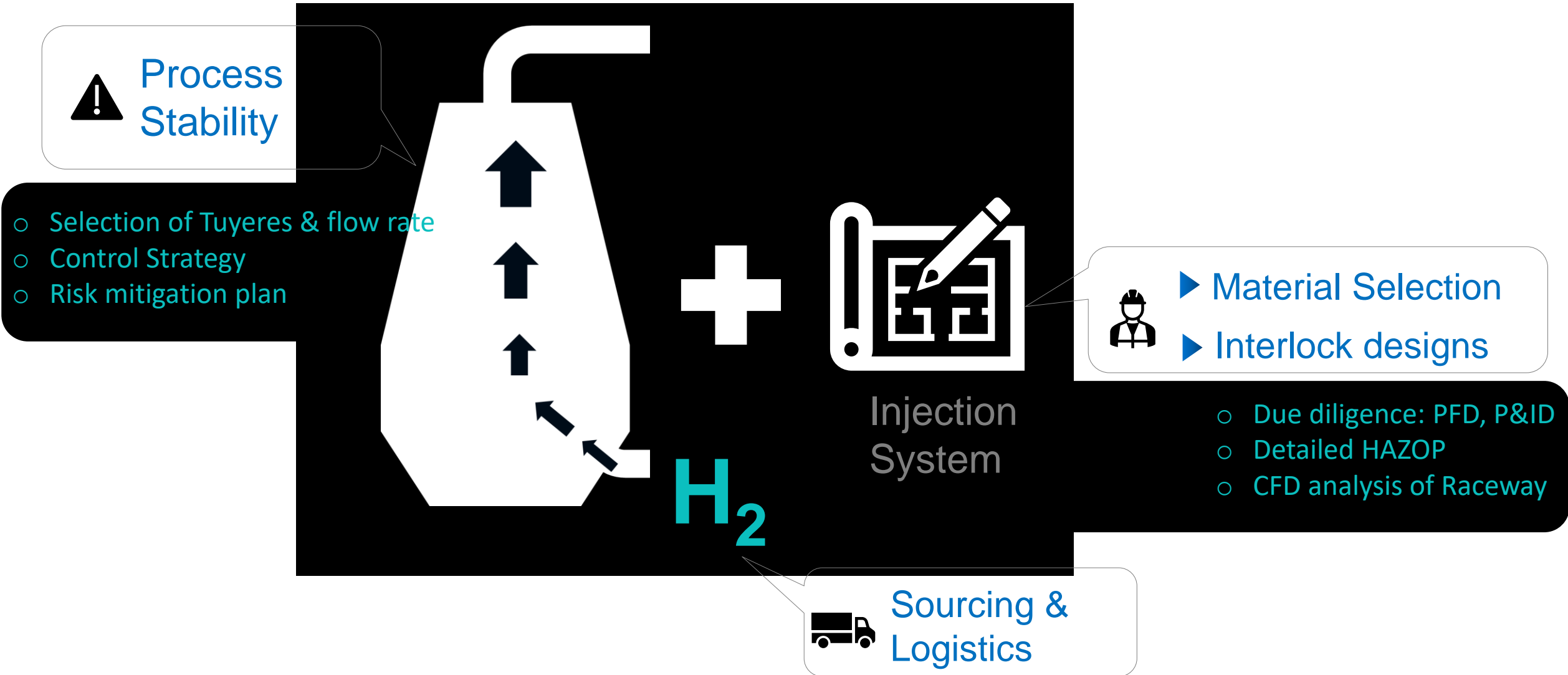


Replacement ratio: ~ 1.2-1.4 kg coke / kg of injectant



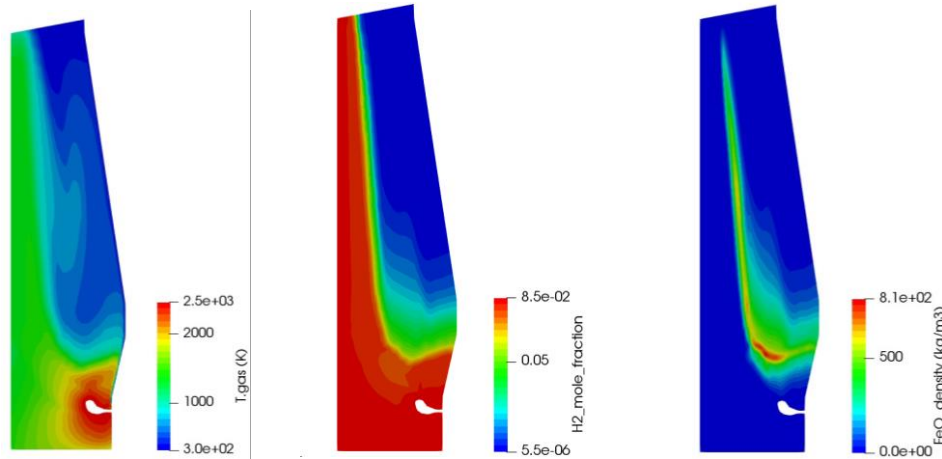
Potential carbon footprint reduction: ~ 10 %

# H<sub>2</sub> injection challenges



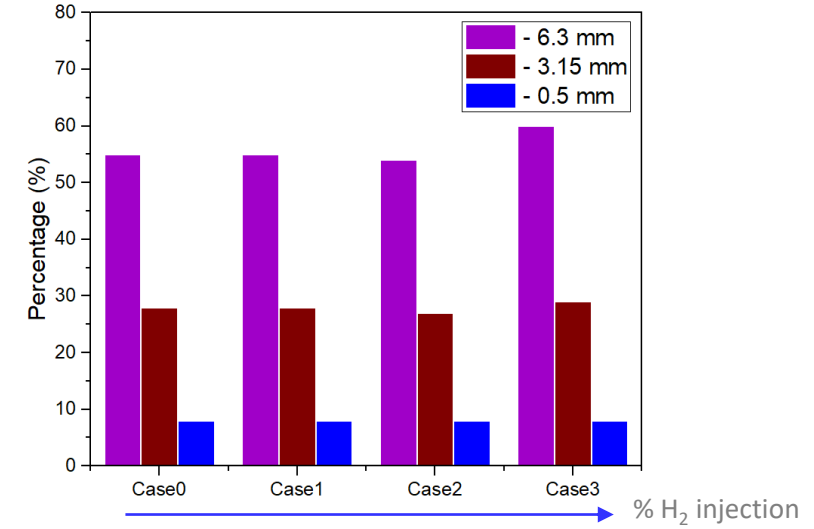
# Lab scale analysis

## A Gas-Temperature profile from 2-D model

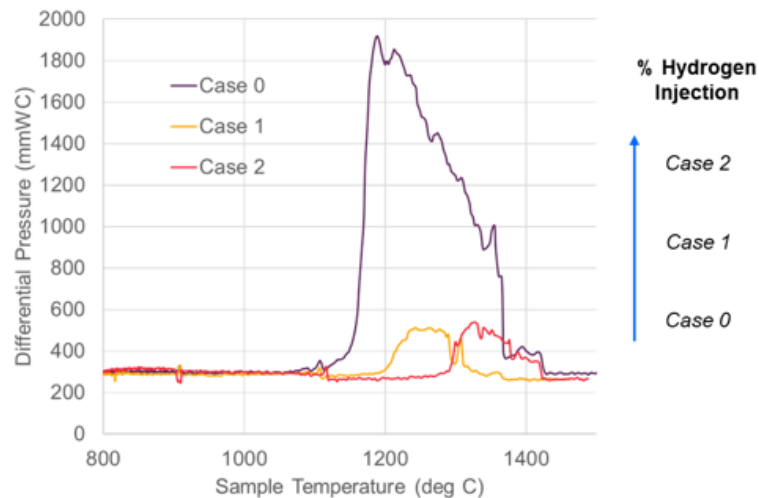


## B Degradation studies

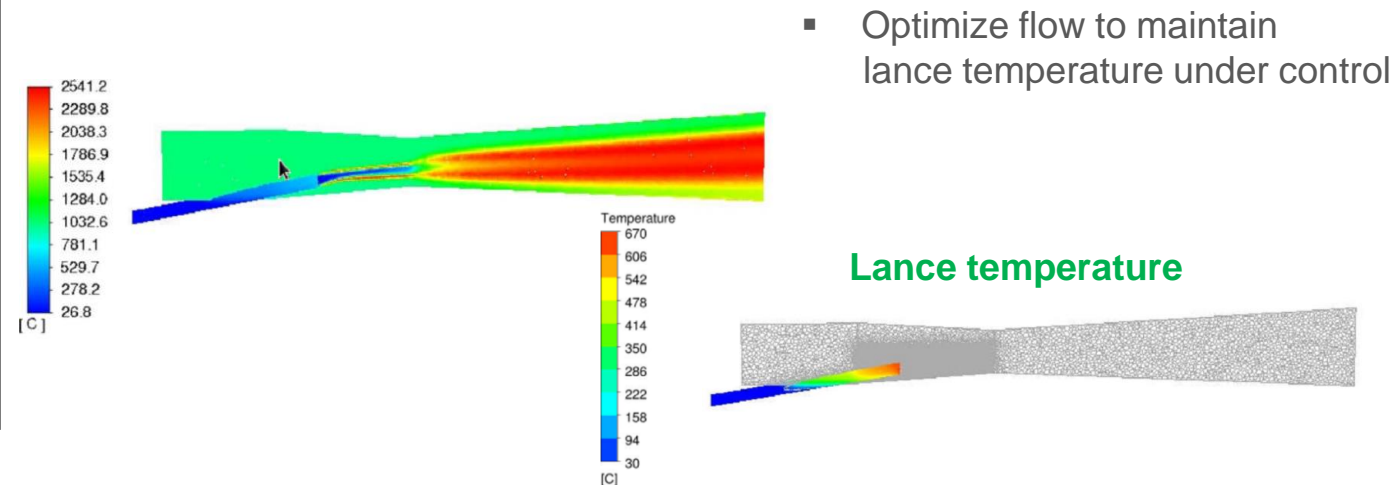
Tweaking process to keep degradation under control



## C Simulation of Cohesive zone



## D Designing lance



# Site activities

## A Cold simulation of Injection system

105 triggers are cold simulated for robust design

- Design Interlocks
- Process Interlocks

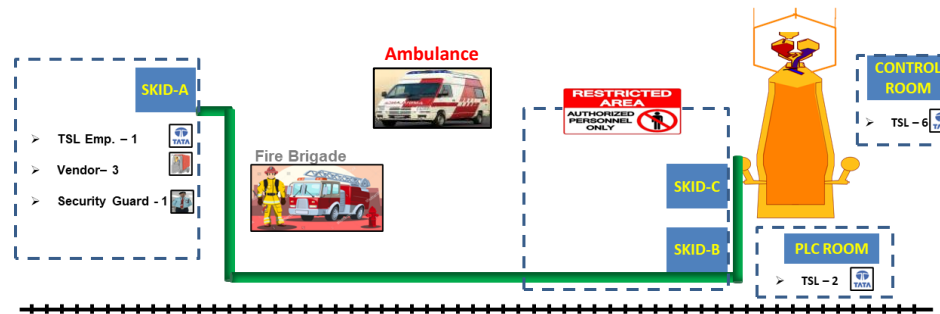
### SHORT SHUTDOWN

Lance cooling by N<sub>2</sub>, stoppage of H<sub>2</sub> flow

### EMERGENCY SHUTDOWN

Vent off H<sub>2</sub> via diluting with N<sub>2</sub>

## B Access control



SOP training to all shift employees, Detailed trial plan



Barricading, Do's & Don'ts



Remote monitoring of BF sites



Installation of detectors, thermography at each shift

## C Domestic Sourcing from ~1400km dist.



- Tankers' parking area barricaded; security force deployed with fire hydrant is in position for round the clock
- **Special Permission** was sought from local administration
- Dedicated work force involved to track movement and ensuring vehicles reach safely at site



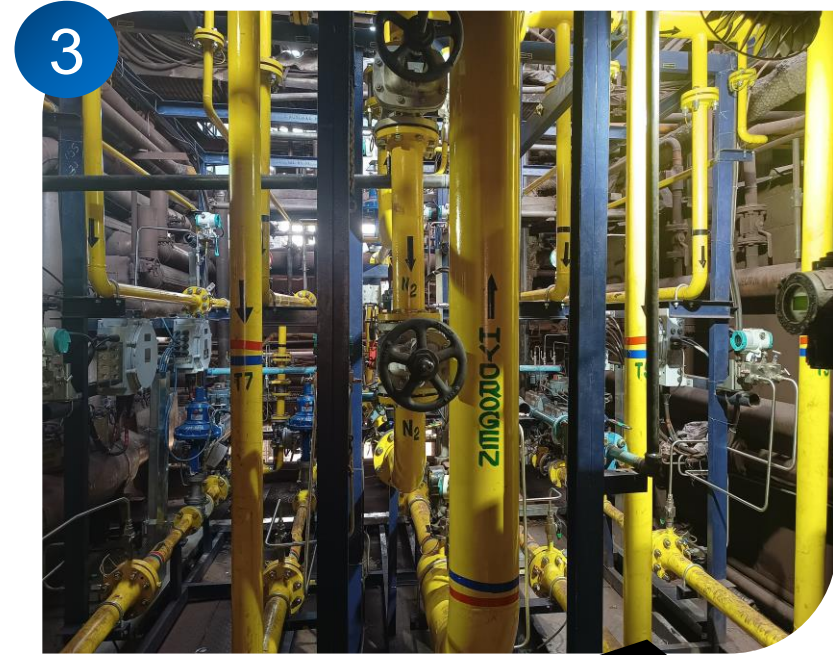
# Realization



**Valve station-1**  
Reduction of pressure: 200-5 bar(g)



**Valve station-2**  
To isolate BF from H<sub>2</sub> source



**Valve station-3**  
To distribute H<sub>2</sub> across tuyeres



In-house Engineering



> 100 interlocks



Special Material



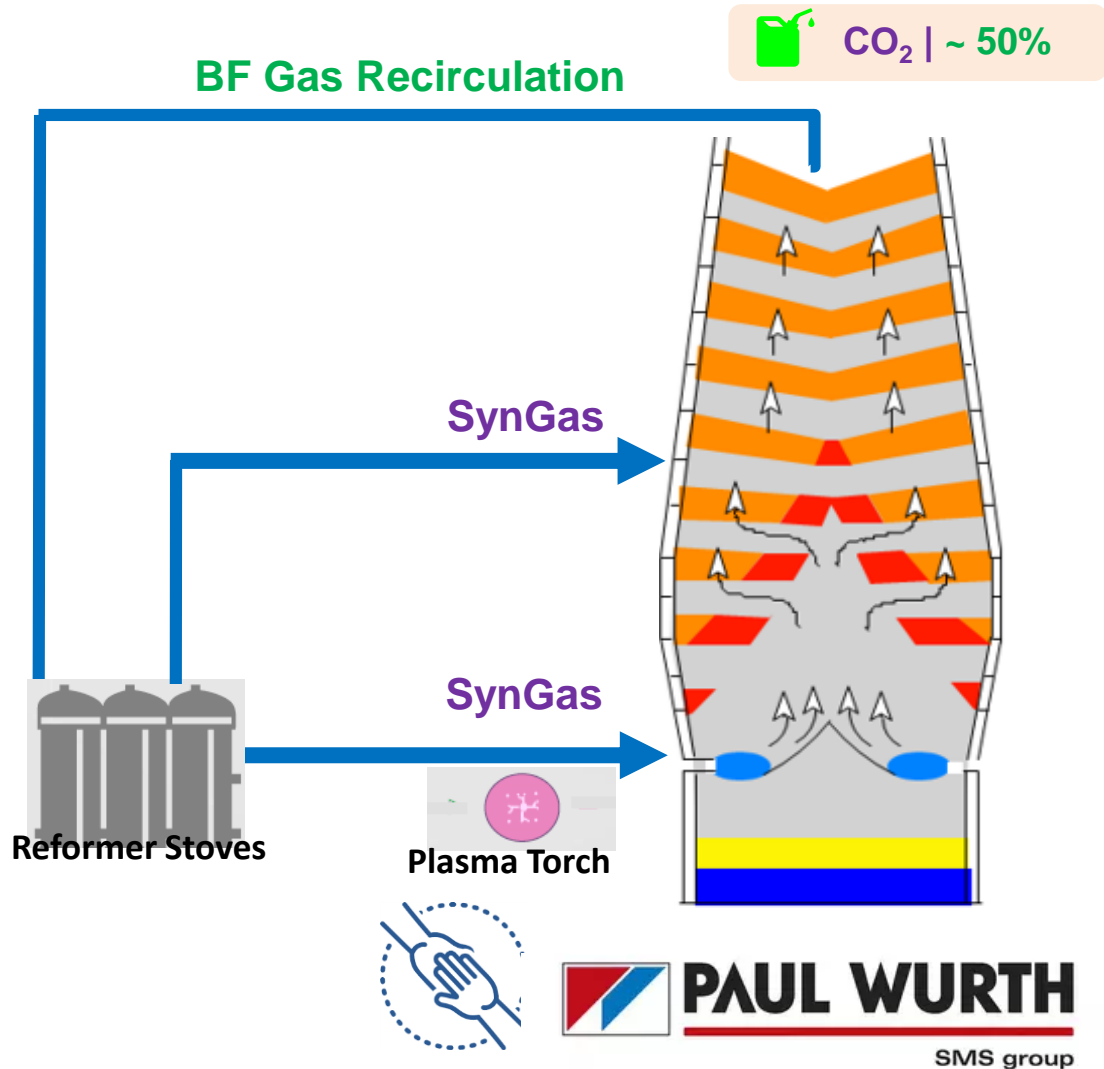


## Highlights

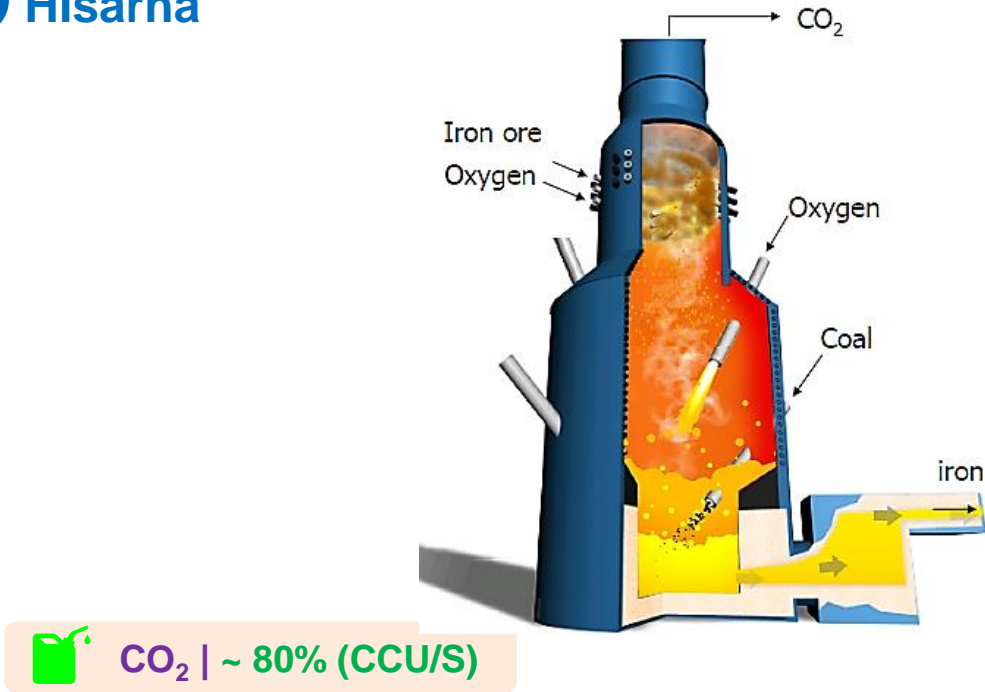
- ✓ 4 days of continuous trial
- ✓ Trial performed in 2 phases – 1100 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 1800 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h
- ✓ Injection with 40% tuyeres
- ✓ Highest volume injected | 6kg/thm
- ✓ Drop in resistance | 5%
- ✓ Drop in RAFT | 5 %

# Beyond Injection: Disruptive Technologies

## A Top gas Recycling: CO<sub>2</sub> regeneration



## B Hlsarna



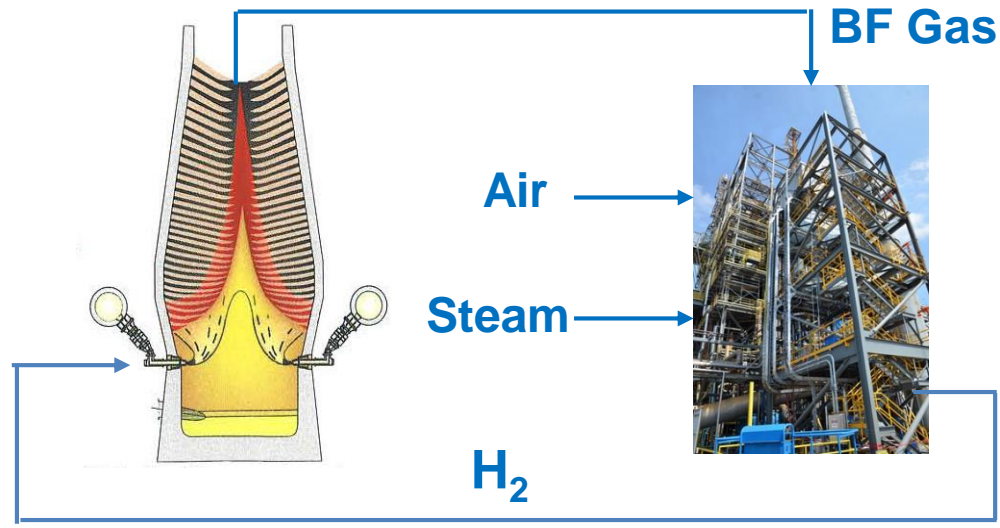
- **Benefits:**
  - Usage of 100% non coking coal
  - Usage of low-grade iron ore
  - No coke, sinter and pellet plant needed
  - Use of LD slag to replace imported limestone

# H<sub>2</sub> production

**A** Global Research



**B** Unique Proposition of Hydrogen Production



**Chemical Looping Technology**  
▪ Economical

★ Potential to meet 10% H<sub>2</sub> demand

Integration of Chemical Looping with Steel Plant



## A 5 TPD CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant



### Novelty

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> time by any steel plant in India
- ✓ Recovery of CO<sub>2</sub> from blast furnace gas
- ✓ Scalable up to 2500 – 3000 TPD
- ✓ Low emission loss and non-flammable solvent

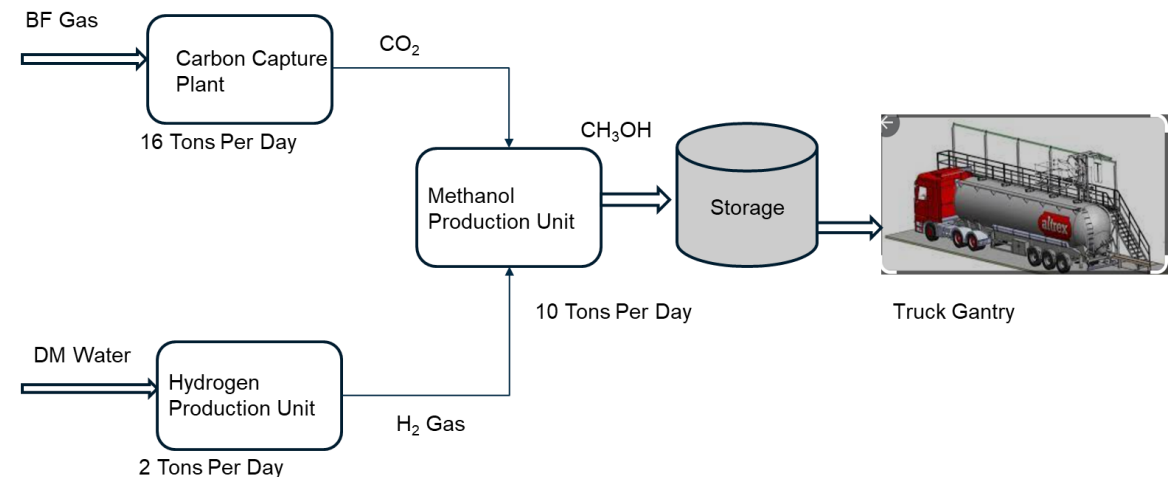
## B 10 TPD Methanol generation

### Tata Steel to set up a pilot plant for methanol

By Valve World India and Middle East Publisher - April 28, 2023

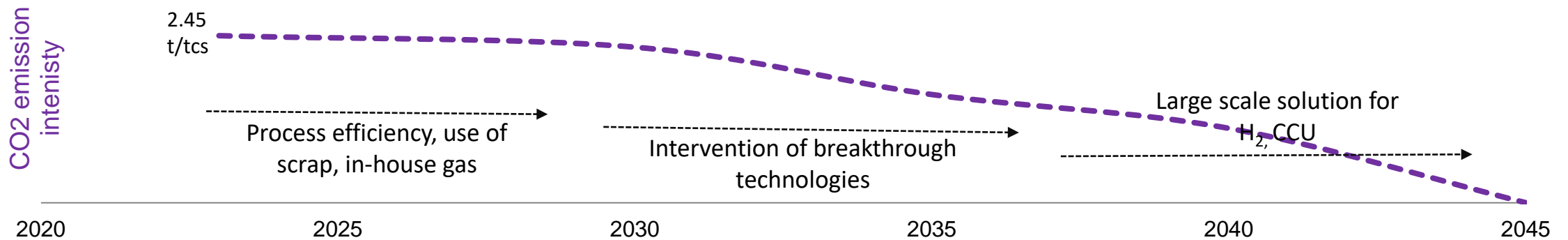
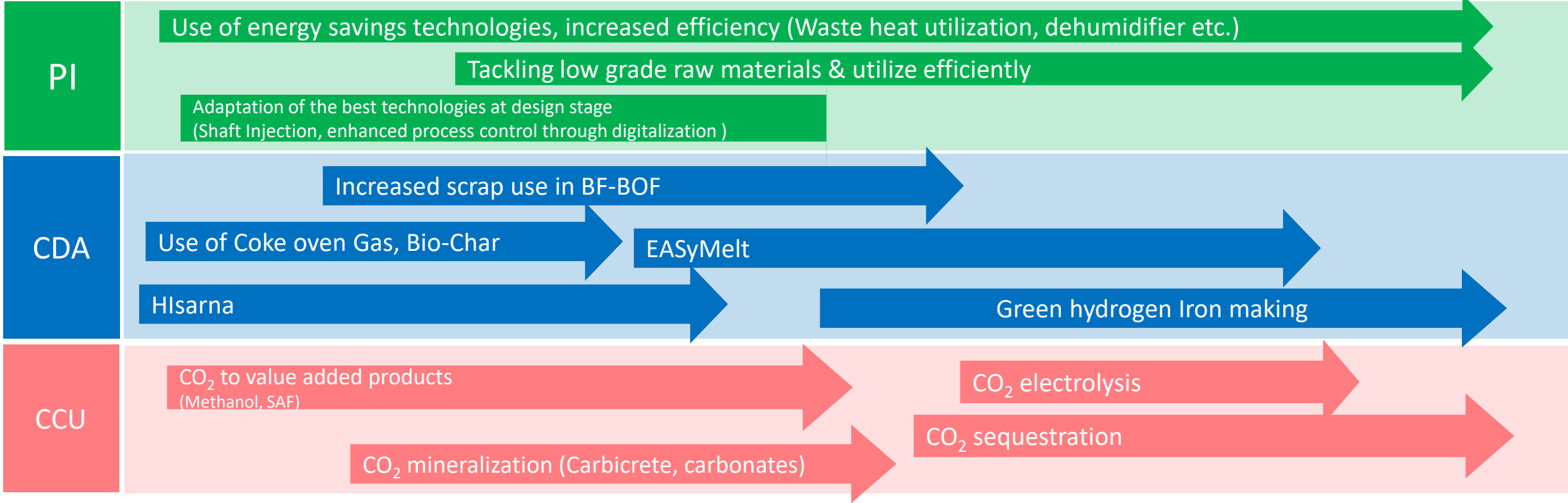


Tata Steel is putting up a 10 tonnes-per-day pilot plant at its Kalinganagar plant in Odisha to produce methanol from blast furnace flue gases. If successful, this has the potential to open an avenue for substantial production of methanol in India.



# Summarized Plan to Achieve Net Zero

2023 2030 2035 2040 2045







Now |



Making Greener  
Tomorrow |



***And miles to go***