

# CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration:

## Progress in the Elegancy- ACT project

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## Overview

Efficient generation of renewable H<sub>2</sub> from biomass, while harvesting geothermal heat and enabling negative CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

September 2017-August 2020

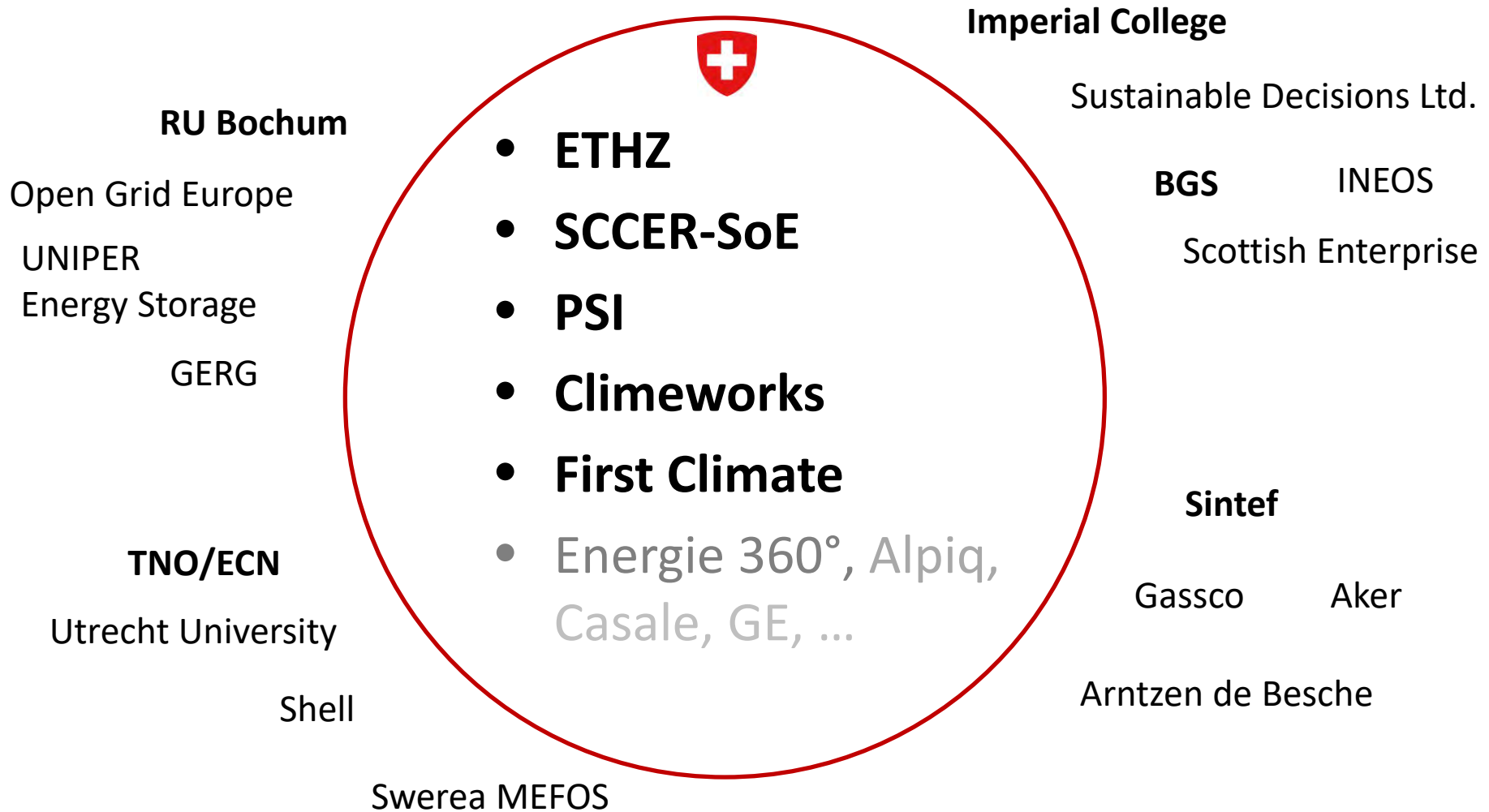
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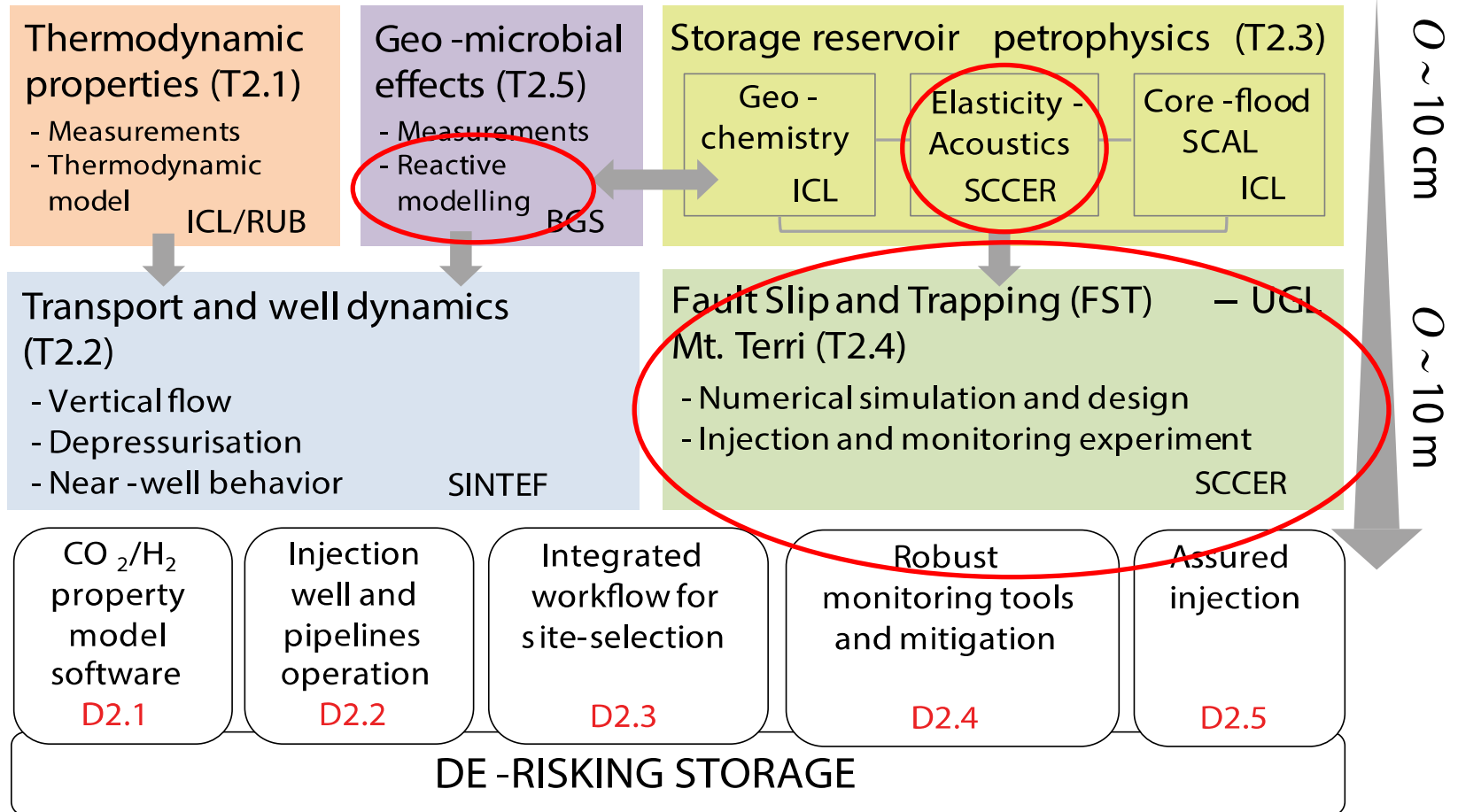
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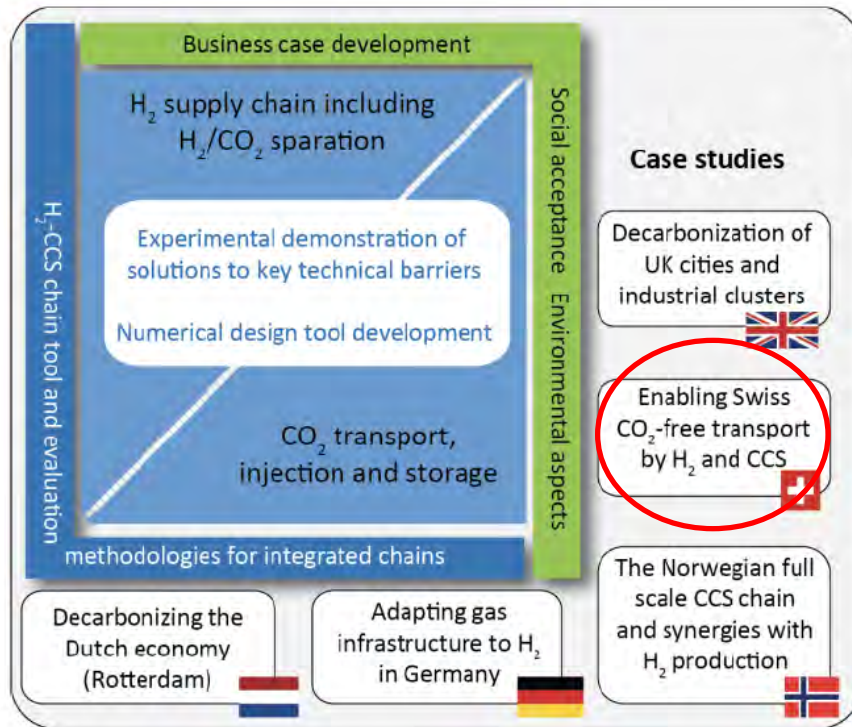
# Actors



# WP2: CO<sub>2</sub> transport, injection and storage



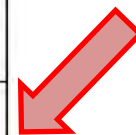
# WP5 National case studies on the implementation of H<sub>2</sub>-CCS chain




[...] continued development of the **Swiss Geothermal/CCS Roadmap**, and SCCER will be integrating the findings into the strategies for the future Swiss energy system, in particular with regards to aspects of **CO<sub>2</sub> storage sites** [...]

**Table 1 WP5 deliverables with person month (PM) efforts and due month**

D5.3.1	Scientific papers on H <sub>2</sub> production from biogas and bio-mass in Switzerland: technical evaluation, potential estimation and comparison with H <sub>2</sub> production from electrolysis, including focus on infrastructure for decarbonising transport	ETH (23), PSI (9), E360 (1)	M24
D5.3.2	Scientific papers on screening of underground sites in Switzerland for geothermal and CO <sub>2</sub> storage applications, with emphasis on de-risking storage	SCCER (72), ICL (8), BGS (5), PSI (3)	M27
D5.3.3	Scientific papers on scenario modelling for energy production via coupled CO <sub>2</sub> storage and geothermal in Switzerland, including quantification of Swiss H <sub>2</sub> -CCS chain performance	SCCER (36), PSI (24)	M33
D5.3.4	Scientific papers on improved DACCS for accelerating CO <sub>2</sub> storage and geothermal applications, including life cycle analysis of DACCS compared to biomass-based H <sub>2</sub> -CCS	Climeworks (60), PSI (2)	M36
D5.3.5	Scientific papers on the potential and role of clean H <sub>2</sub> for road transportation and DACCS as enabler of geothermal and CO <sub>2</sub> storage applications in the Swiss society	SCCER (36), PSI (12)	M36



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**Societal perspective:** Data of a first survey on social acceptance of CCS and geothermal energy have been collected by an online survey among the general population in the German and French speaking parts of Switzerland (N = 808). Coordination with the RUB team is on-going

### **Screening of underground sites for geothermal energy and CO<sub>2</sub> storage:**

1. Definition of criteria for CCS site selection across the Swiss Plateau
2. Providing quantitative data (subsurface geological model and morphotectonic analysis) concerning a possible CCS site.

**Risk management** (year 2): series of workshops in coord. with BGS , 1<sup>st</sup> on Sept 24  
Aim: define the scientific objectives we want to test in the injection site (e.g. injectivity, leakage monitoring strategies, remediation strategies, reservoir modeling, etc.)

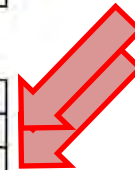
**Table 1 WP2 deliverables with person month (PM) efforts and due month**

ID	Title	Partners (PM)	Due
D2.3.1	Core-analysis report/paper on reservoir rocks from promising storage sites in Switzerland, including measures of multiphase and elastic properties and incorporating the effect of sub-core scale heterogeneity	ICL (33), SCCER (24)	M33
D2.3.2	Report/paper on dissolution and capillary trapping for scenarios involving exsolution of CO <sub>2</sub> in response to depressurization ("dynamic" core-floods to design Mt. Terri exp.)	ICL (34)	M30
D2.3.3	Report/paper on the geochemical response of the rocks to the presence of pure and dissolved CO <sub>2</sub> , including measurements of reservoir-mineral wettability and dissolution rates in CO <sub>2</sub> -saturated brines and sorption on clays	ICL (34)	M33
D2.4.1	Preliminary report on characterization, design, and execution of the Mont Terri exp.	SCCER (48)	M24
D2.4.2	Report/paper on core characterization from related rock mechanics experiment and modelling of Mont Terri experiment	SCCER (24)	M30
D2.4.3	Report/paper on risk assessment and de-risking strategies for future scenarios and knowledge transfer to WP5	SCCER (24)	M30



**Table 2 WP2 milestones**

ID	Title	Responsible	Due
M2.4.1	Mont Terri experiment design and characterization completed	SCCER	M18
M2.4.2	Mont Terri experiment executed	SCCER	M24
M2.5.1	Construction and operation of suitable geomicrobial set up	BGS	M12
M2.5.2	Completion of geomicrobial experiments	BGS	M30
M2.5.3	Extension of THC simulator capability to support microbiological effects	SCCER	M27





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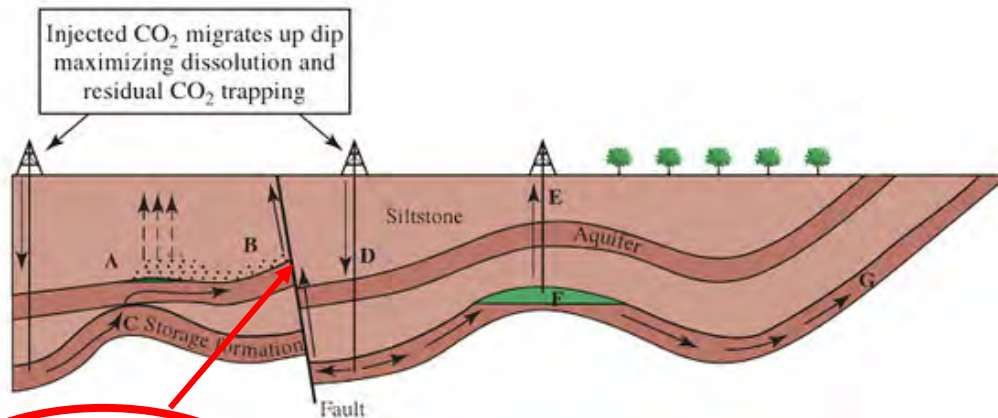
## Scientific objects

Understanding how exposure to CO<sub>2</sub>-rich brine affects **sealing integrity** of caprock (hosting a fault system):  
**permeability changes - induced seismicity**

**Direct observations** of fluid migration along a fault and of its interaction with the surrounding environment

**Validate instrumentation** and methods for **monitoring** and imaging fluid transport

Validate Thermo-Hydro-Mechanical-**Chemical (THCM) simulations**

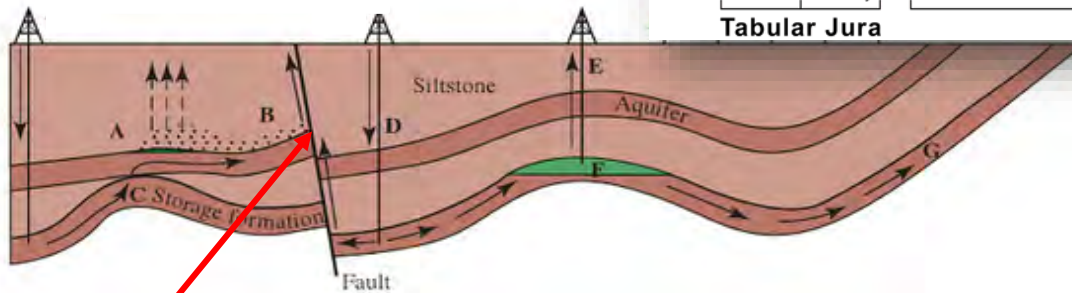
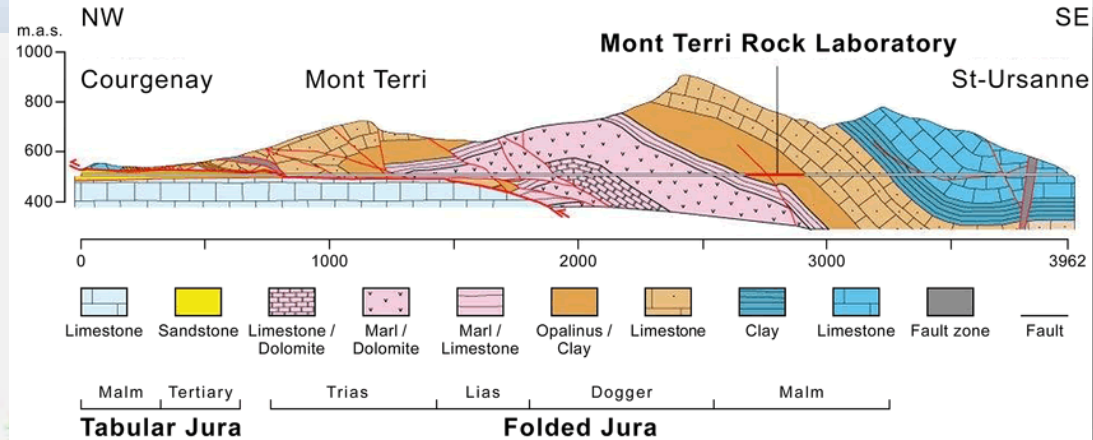


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Testing of a fault subjected to CO<sub>2</sub> injection in Mont Terri

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### Concept

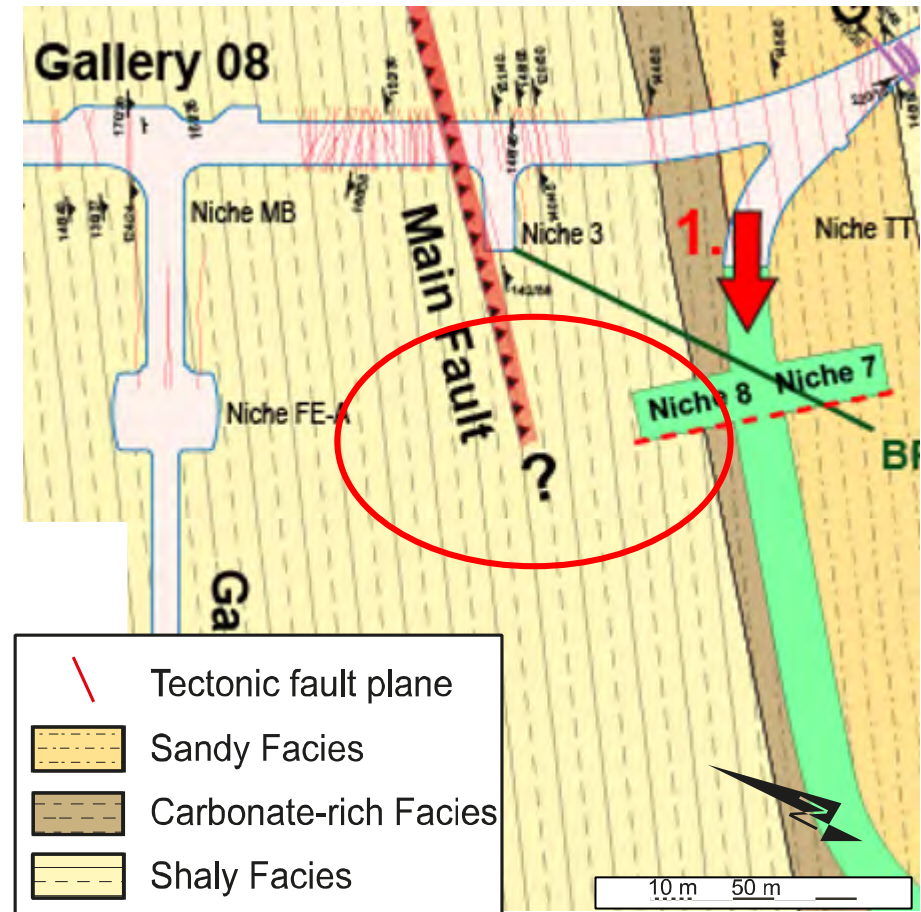
- Inject CO<sub>2</sub> saturated brine and tracers in Mont Terri main fault:
  - Continuous/long term (8-10 month)
  - Pulse/ pressure increase steps (at beginning and at end of the injection phase)  
Scale: 1-10 m<sup>3</sup> brine -> rock volume
- Monitor injection effects:
  - Strain = Extensometer(s)
  - V<sub>p</sub>, (V<sub>s</sub>), fiber optics and traditional methods
  - Microseismic.....
- Pre and post mechanical & geophysical characterization at lab scale
- Pre and post numerical simulations

## ELEGANCY

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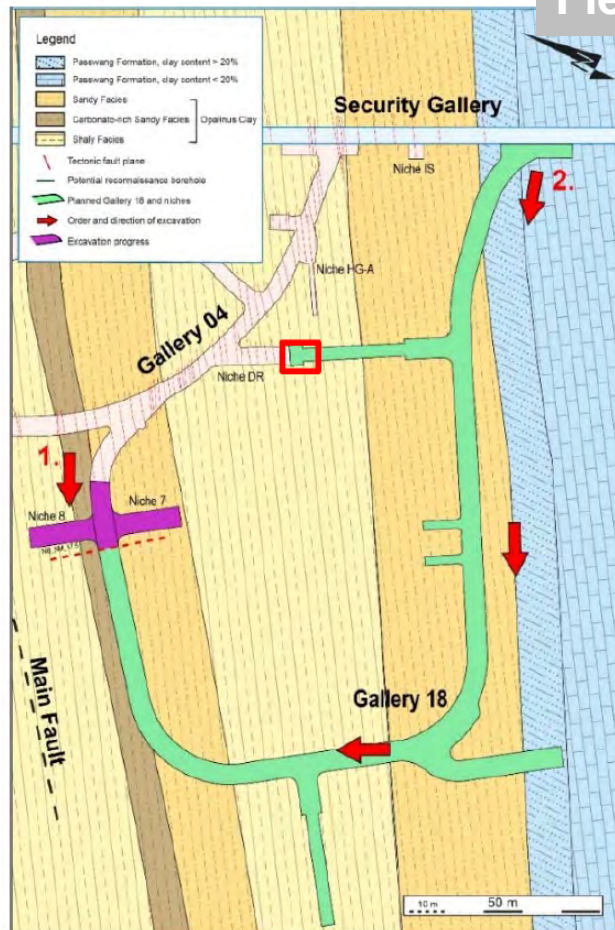
## Technical layout one year ago

- Injection borehole
  - 40-50 m long
  - 120 mm diameter
  - 2 separated injection sections
- Parallel borehole for extensometer
- 3-5 Monitoring wells
- Sampling holes



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Field report: May 7<sup>th</sup> – May 20<sup>th</sup> 2018 (Phase 23)



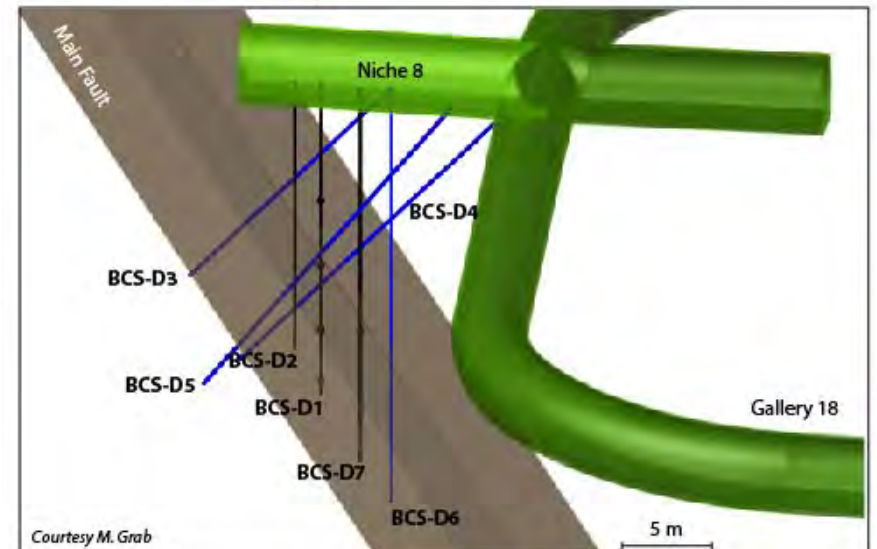
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# Caprock/fault sealing integrity: Mont Terri CS-D experiment

## Technical layout

Borehole-ID	Main Purpose	Inclination (°)	Diameter (mm)	Depth (m)
BCS-D1	Injection	0	101	23
BCS-D2	Fluid Monitoring	0	101	20.3
BCS-D3	Active Geop. Mon	42.5	131	27.3
BCS-D4	Active Geop. Mon.	42.5	131	35.2
BCS-D5	Micro-earthq. mon	36.6	146	35.2
BCS-D6	Micro-earthq. mon.	0	131	35
BCS-D7	Slip monitoring	0	101	27.8



### Partners with CS-D



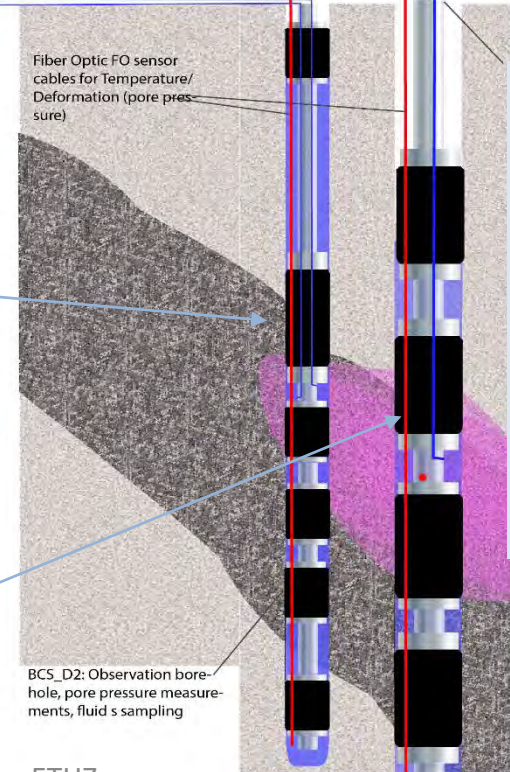
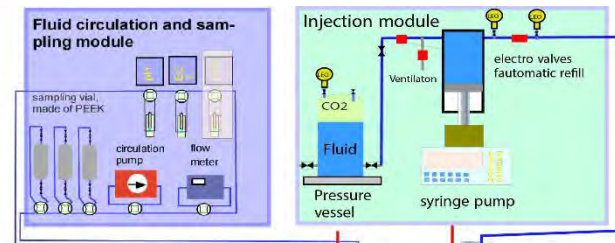
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- PT1000 temperature sensor;
- 4 intervals equipped with 3 lines (2 for fluid circulation using sampling module, 1 for pressure measurement) in stainless steel 4

- 4 fold packer system;
- PT1000 temperature sensor;
- Three lines in interval 1 and 4 in stainless steel



- Packer system control unit
- DTS FO sensor cable integrated within packer system
- 2 injection intervals
- 2 guard intervals above and below the injection intervals
- Packer length: 3x0,5m, 1x1m;

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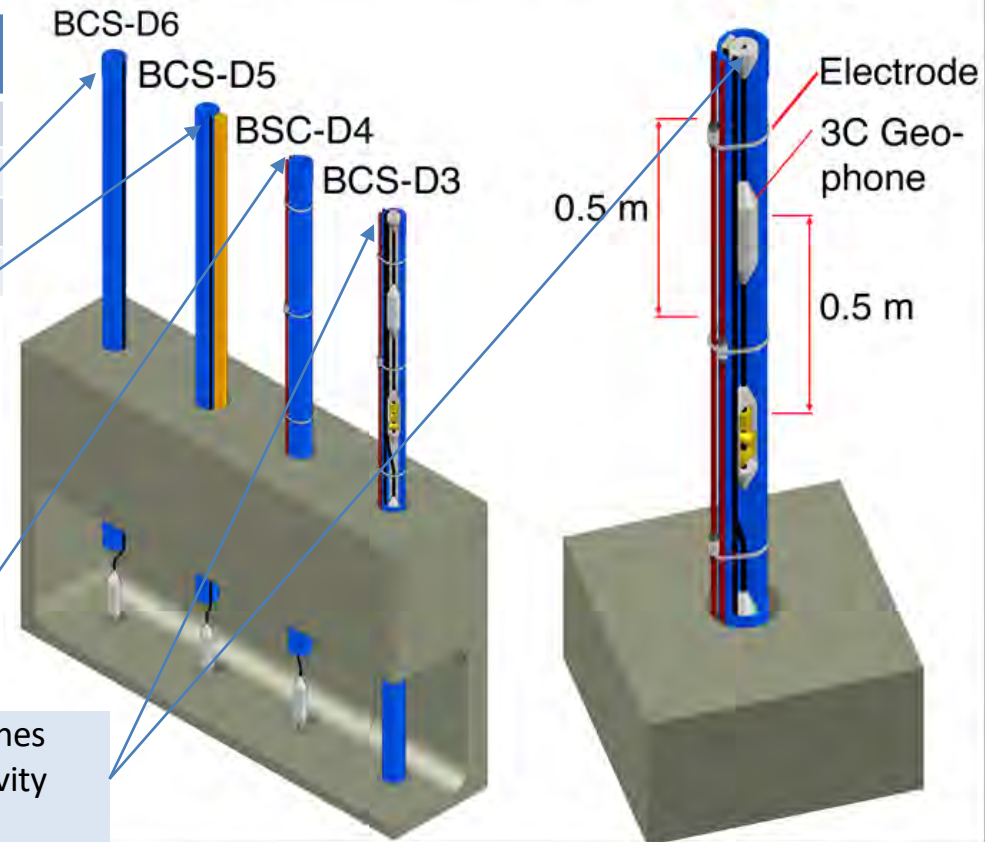
- 32 channel GmuG aq. system
- 1MHz sampling rate
- 1-100kHz high sensitivity
- Wilcoxon 736T calibrated accelerometer

- P- and S-wave sparker source

- 24 3C geophones
- 100 Hz sensitivity
- 0.5 m spacing

a) Geophysical monitoring boreholes

b) Closeup of BCS-D3



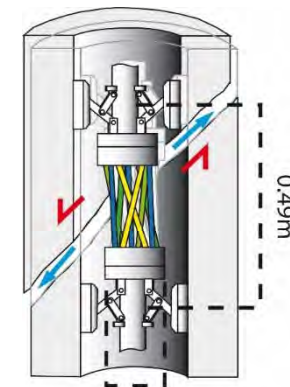
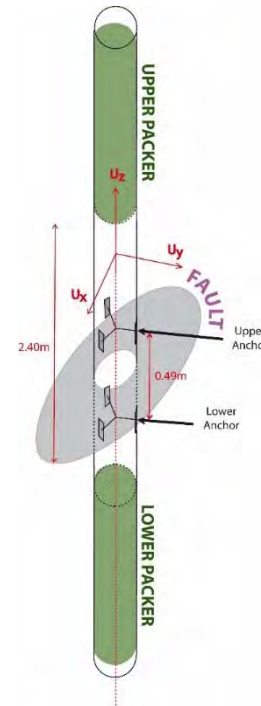


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## Technical layout

Borehole coupled pore pressure and strain monitoring:  
3-components Displacement sensors (2 SIMFIP sensors)

Borehole-ID	Main Purpose	Inclination (°)	Diameter (mm)	Depth (m)
BCS-D7	Slip monitoring	0	101	27.8



0.1-to-0.05m

FS-B Partner  
with CS-D



- Measurement range:  
U<sub>axial</sub> = 0,7mm  
U<sub>radial</sub> = 3,5mm
- Resolution of 3µm
- 500 Hz sampling frequency

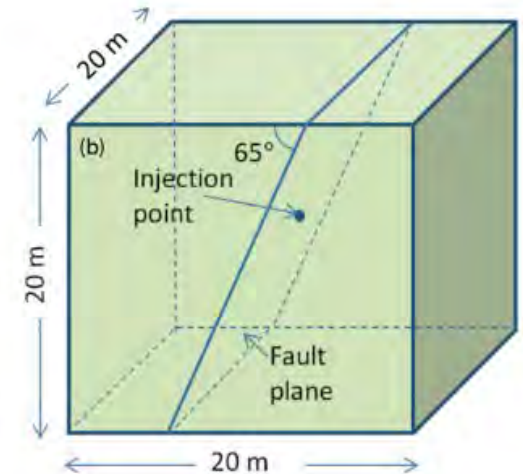
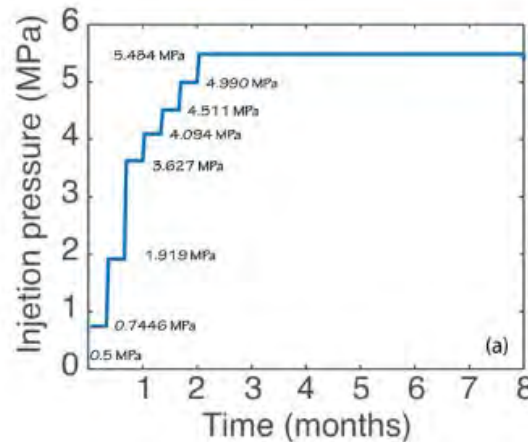


## Caprock/fault sealing integrity: Mont Terri CS-D experiment

### Preliminary modelling TOUGH-FLAC

Sensitivity analysis to assess the max reach of the pressure front and injection brine

- Assumptions:
  - Pure brine, no CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Fixed permeability
  - No stress dependency
- injection strategy similar to the previous FS-experiment

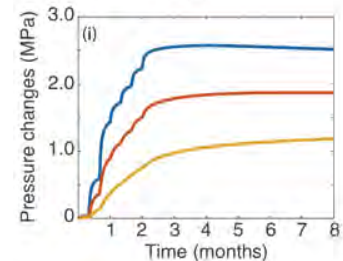
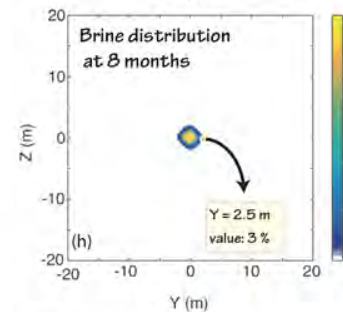
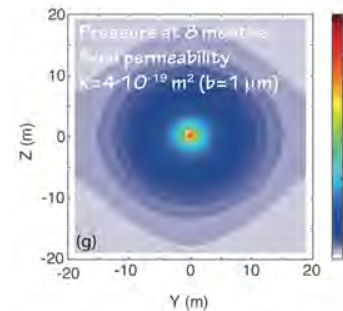
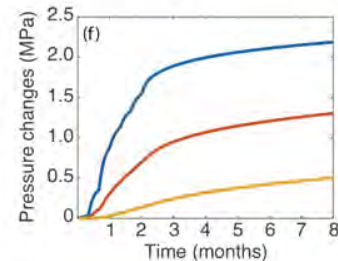
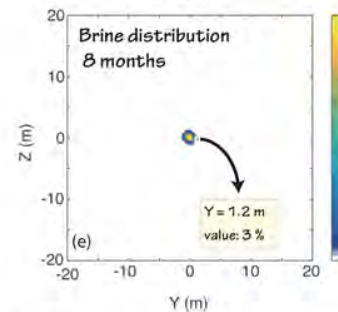
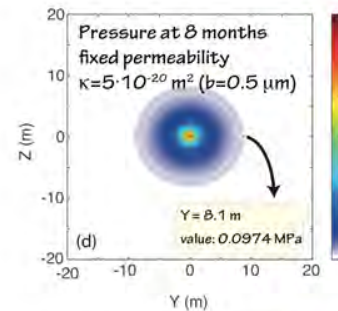
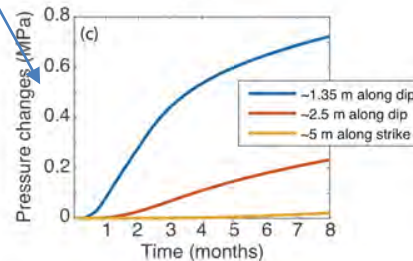
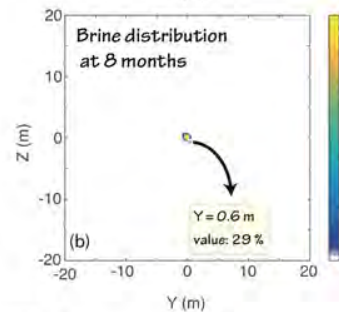
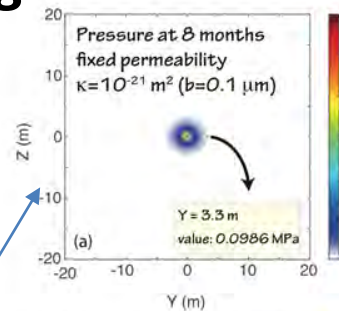


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## Preliminary modelling TOUGH-FLAC

By varying the permeability in the range  $10^{-21}$  to  $10^{-19}$   $m^2$ :

- pressure can propagate, in all simulated cases
- with value well above in short time
- the injected brine is reaching above 2 m distance only in the case with higher permeability



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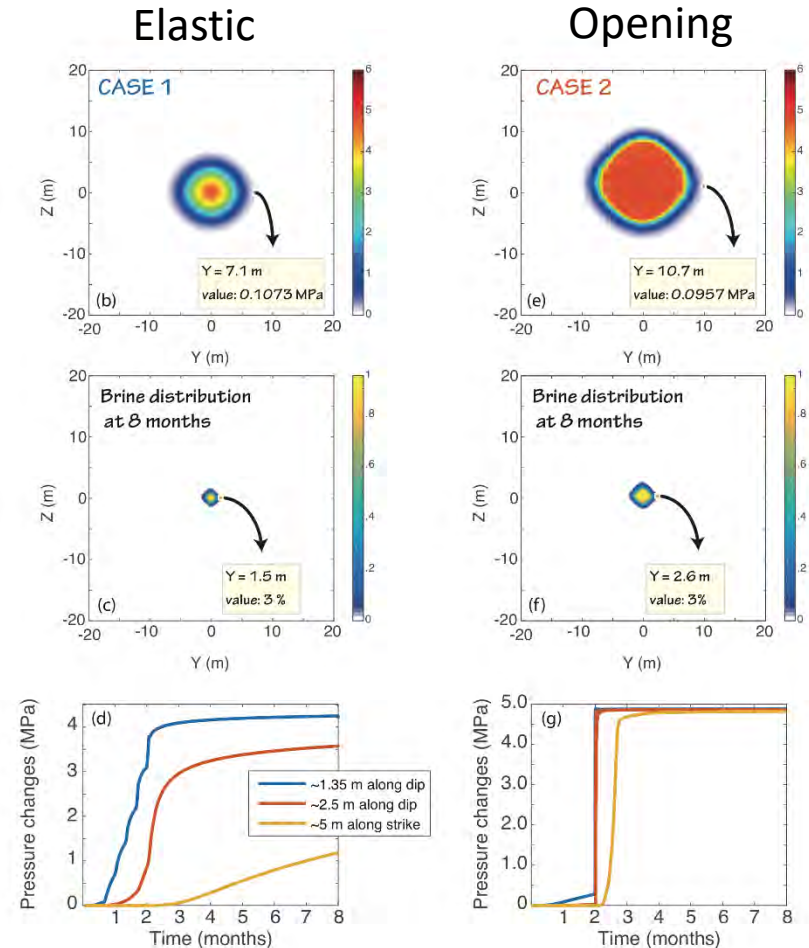
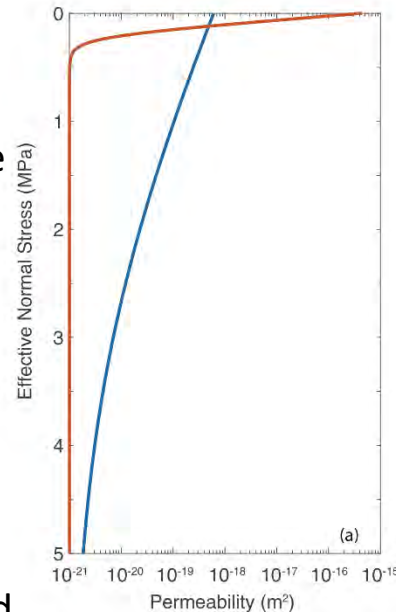
## Preliminary modelling TOUGH-FLAC

Two possible cases:

- a constant increase of permeability with decreasing normal effective stress (elastic behaviour)
- fracture jack opens after reaching small value in effective normal stress (opening).

Conclusion:

- In case 2 no pressure changes should be recorded in the first months, and after jacking the pressure should reach a similar value in the entire opened region.

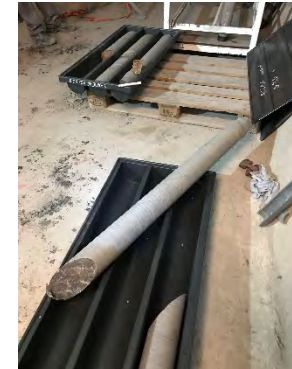
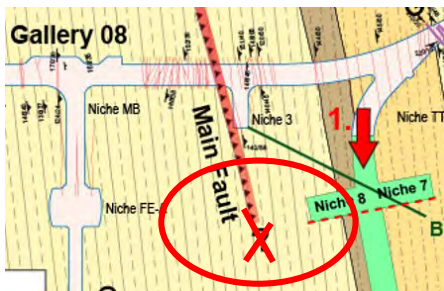




# Caprock/fault sealing integrity: Mont Terri CS-D experiment

## Operative Phase

- August 28: the drilling company installed and started with the borehole
- Fault encountered at 28.4 m depth. C.a 3 m thickness





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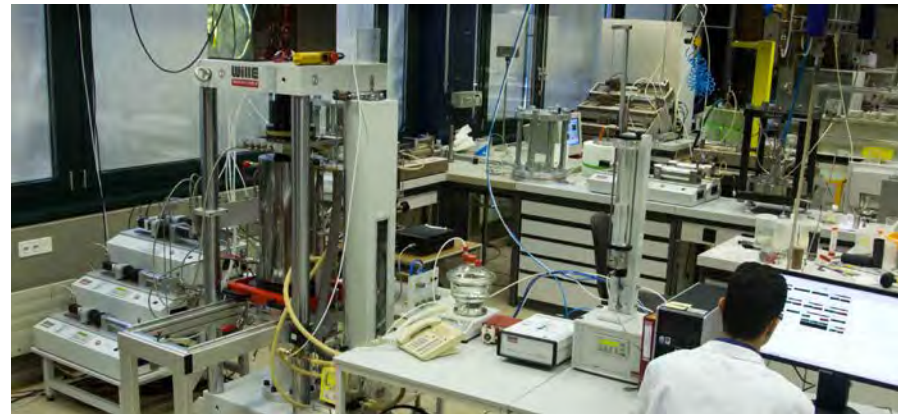
## Laboratories



**Rock Deformation Lab**  
(Dr. C. Madonna)



**Lab of Soil Mechanics**  
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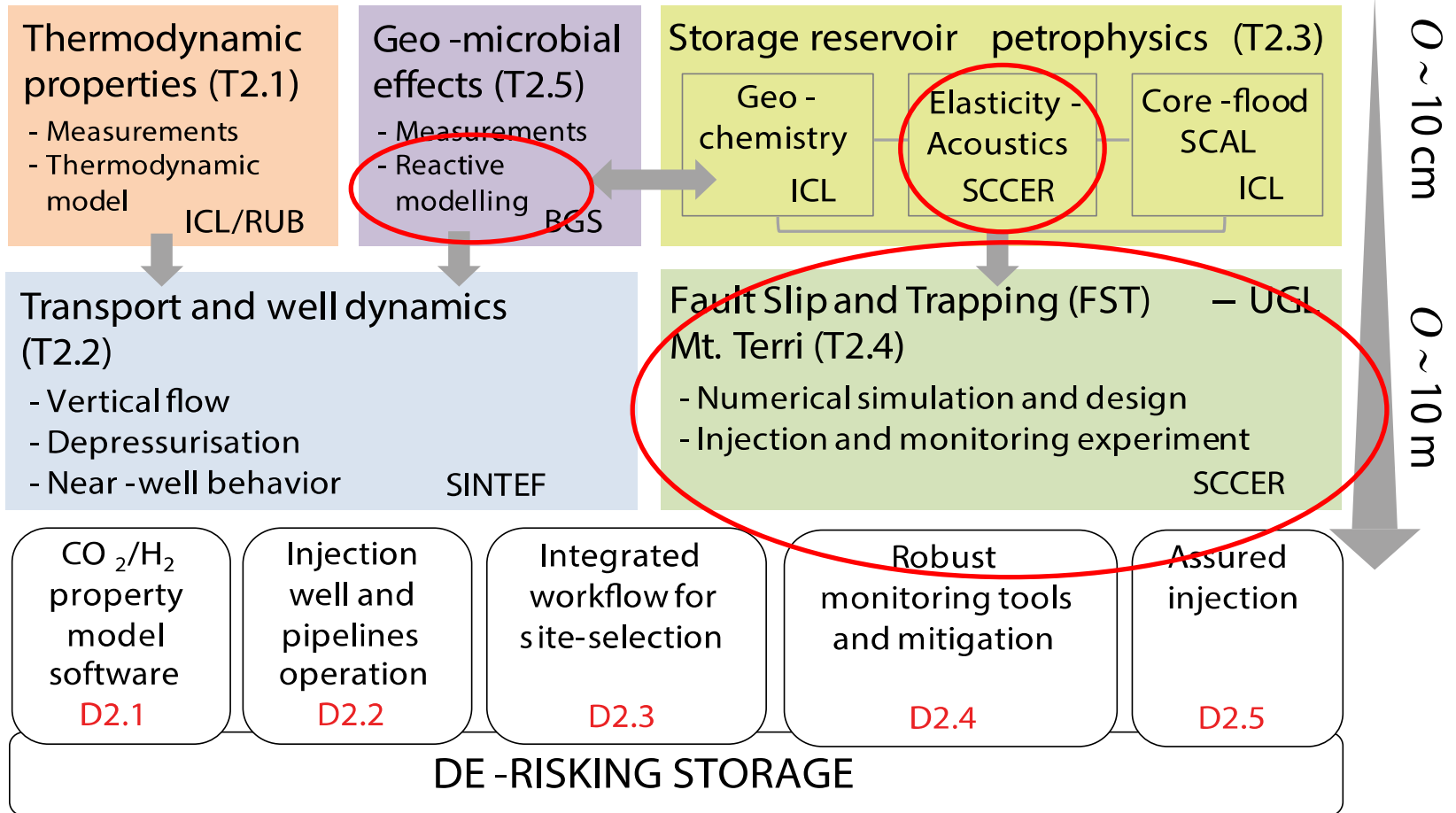
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Mont Terri Phase 24-25

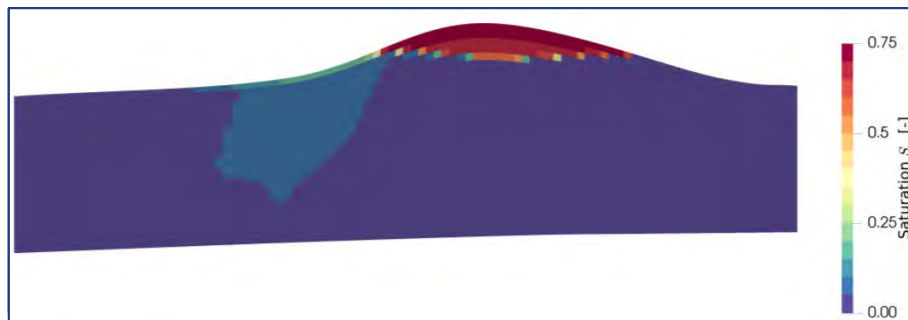
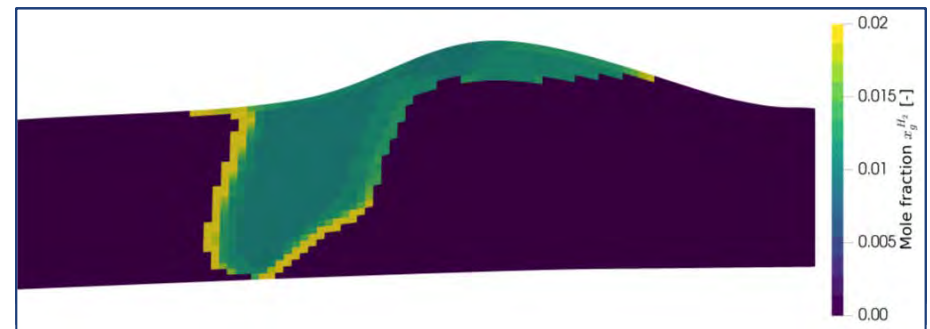
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1	Experimental design and feasibility study		1/9/17	31/5/18	194																
2	Experimental installation		1/5/18	31/10/18	131																
3	Injection and monitoring		1/11/18	30/6/19	172																
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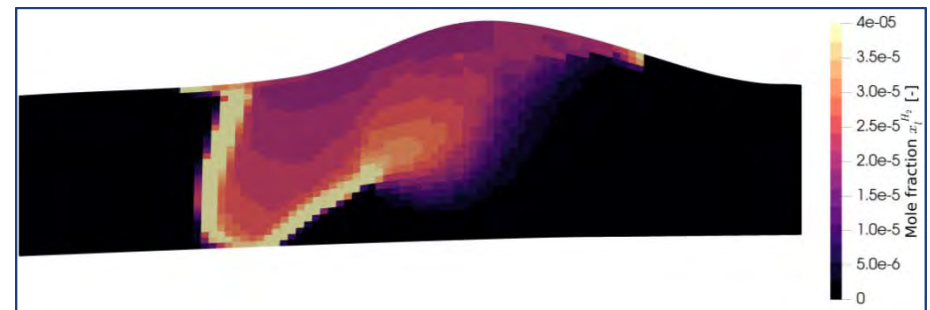


# Simulation of injection of impure CO<sub>2</sub> (1% H<sub>2</sub>) in a saline aquifer for 1 year

CO<sub>2</sub> saturationMole fraction of H<sub>2</sub> in CO<sub>2</sub> phase

time = 40 years (post injection)

- Due to differences in the properties of CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>, there is an accumulation of H<sub>2</sub> at the fringe of the plume.
- Higher (double) hydrogenotrophic microbial growth rates are to be expected at the fringe than in the middle of the plume. => future work

Mole fraction of H<sub>2</sub> in water phase

Domain dimensions; ca. 3km x 400m

## Progress in the Elegancy-ACT project

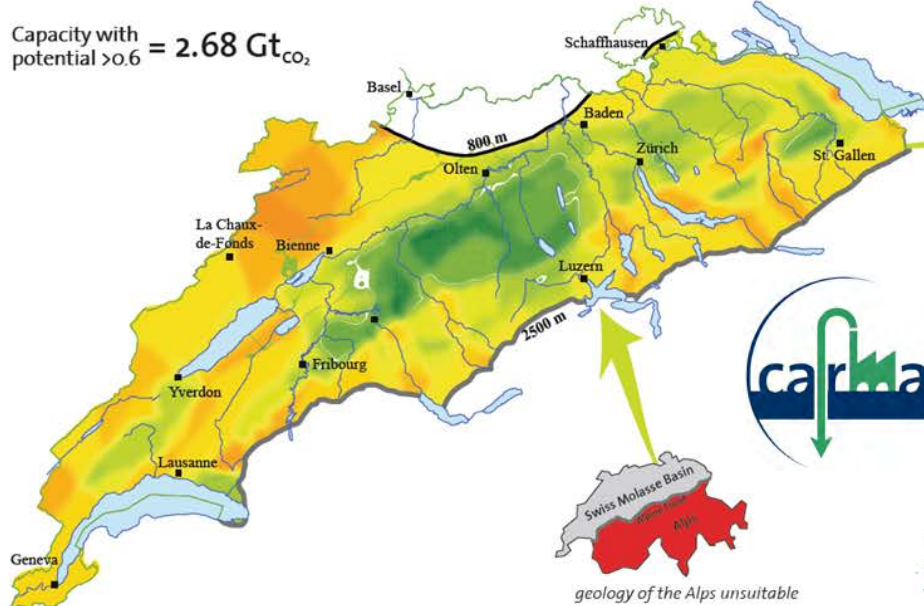
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CO<sub>2</sub> storage site selection

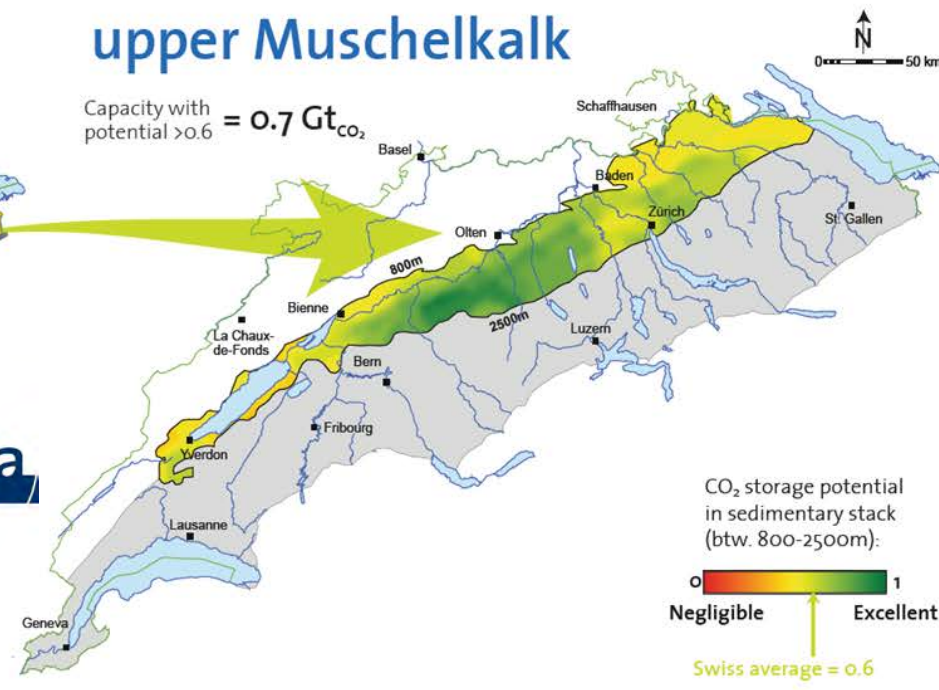
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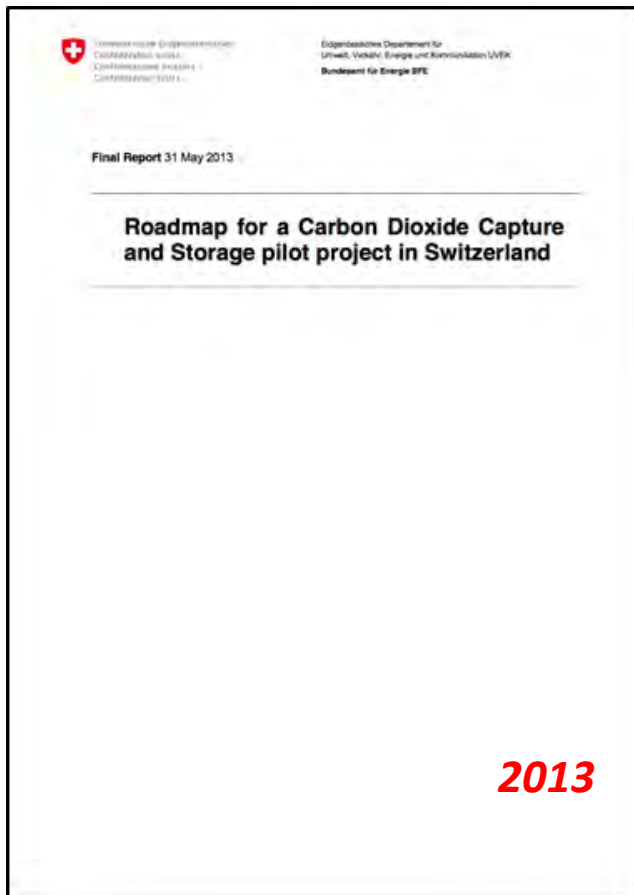
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Capacity with potential >0.6 = 0.7 Gt<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>



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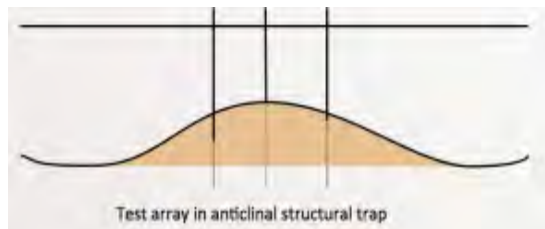
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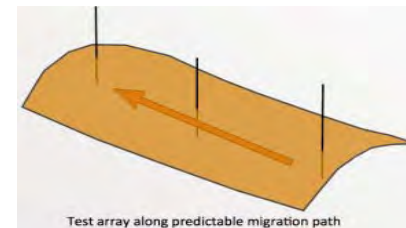
### Feasible Scenarios for Injection Test

#### STORAGE



- + Could be final storage site (small)
- + Will demonstrate CCS feasibility in CH
- Long and costly exploration phase

#### FIELD LAB



- + Results on migration process in short time
- No final storage site, up-scaling problems, public acceptance

## CO<sub>2</sub> storage site selection

### GeoMol – Geologisches 3D Modell des Schweizerischen Mittellandes

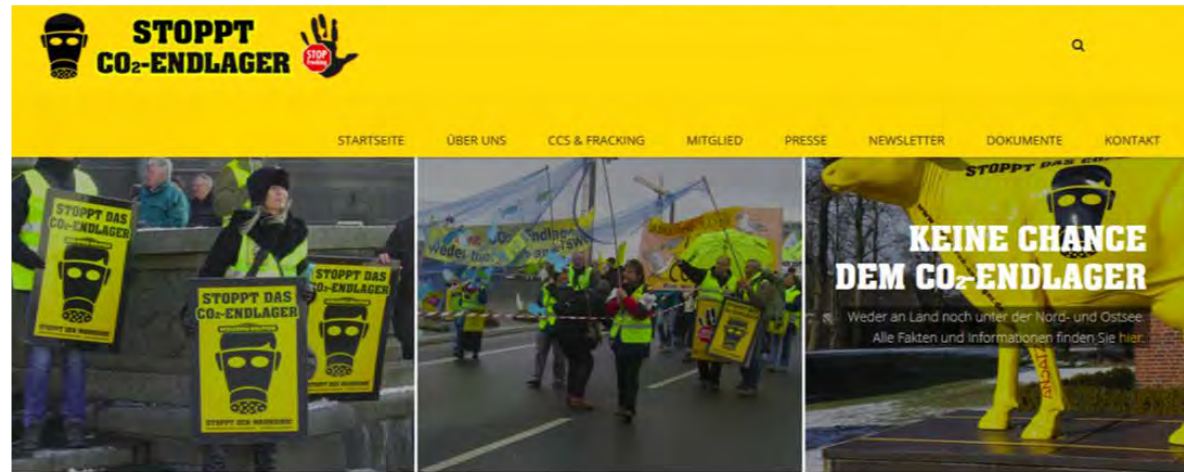
Wie sieht es im Innern des Hügels aus, auf dem Schloss Aarburg steht? Wo in der Schweiz gibt es Gräben, welche bis 3000 m unter die Erdoberfläche reichen? Wir können es Euch zeigen! Mit dem brandneuen geologischen 3D-Modell der Schweiz sind solche Einblicke in den Untergrund ab sofort möglich.



**Reservoir Geology and  
Sedimentary Basin Analysis**  
(Prof Andrea Moscariello)



# CO<sub>2</sub> storage site selection



**USYS***TdLab*  
 Department of Environmental Systems Science  
 Transdisciplinarity Lab · Science-Society Interface

(Prof Michael Stauffacher)

## Aktuelles



Source: <http://keinco2endlager.de/>

# **CCS geological storage pilot**

## **The opportunity of Elegancy**

Thank you for your attention



☰ **Neue Zürcher Zeitung** ⚙️  
 Das neue Immobilienportal für Anspruchsvolle


Kohlendioxid-Rückgewinnung  
**Zürcher Startup-Unternehmen mit Weltpremiere:  
 CO<sub>2</sub> wird aus der Luft gefiltert**

von Christian Speicher / 31.5.2017, 12:00 Uhr

In Hinwil ist die weltweit erste Anlage in Betrieb genommen worden, die das Treibhausgas CO<sub>2</sub> aus der Luft filtert. Die Technologie könnte zukünftig dazu beitragen, unsere «Klimaschulden» zu begleichen.



Auf dem Dach der Kehrichtverbrennungsanlage in Hinwil steht der CO<sub>2</sub>-Filter, der die Gärtnerei mit dem wachstumsfördernden Treibhausgas versorgt. (Bild: Climeworks / Julia Dunlop)


  
**CLIMEWORKS**  
 Capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from air

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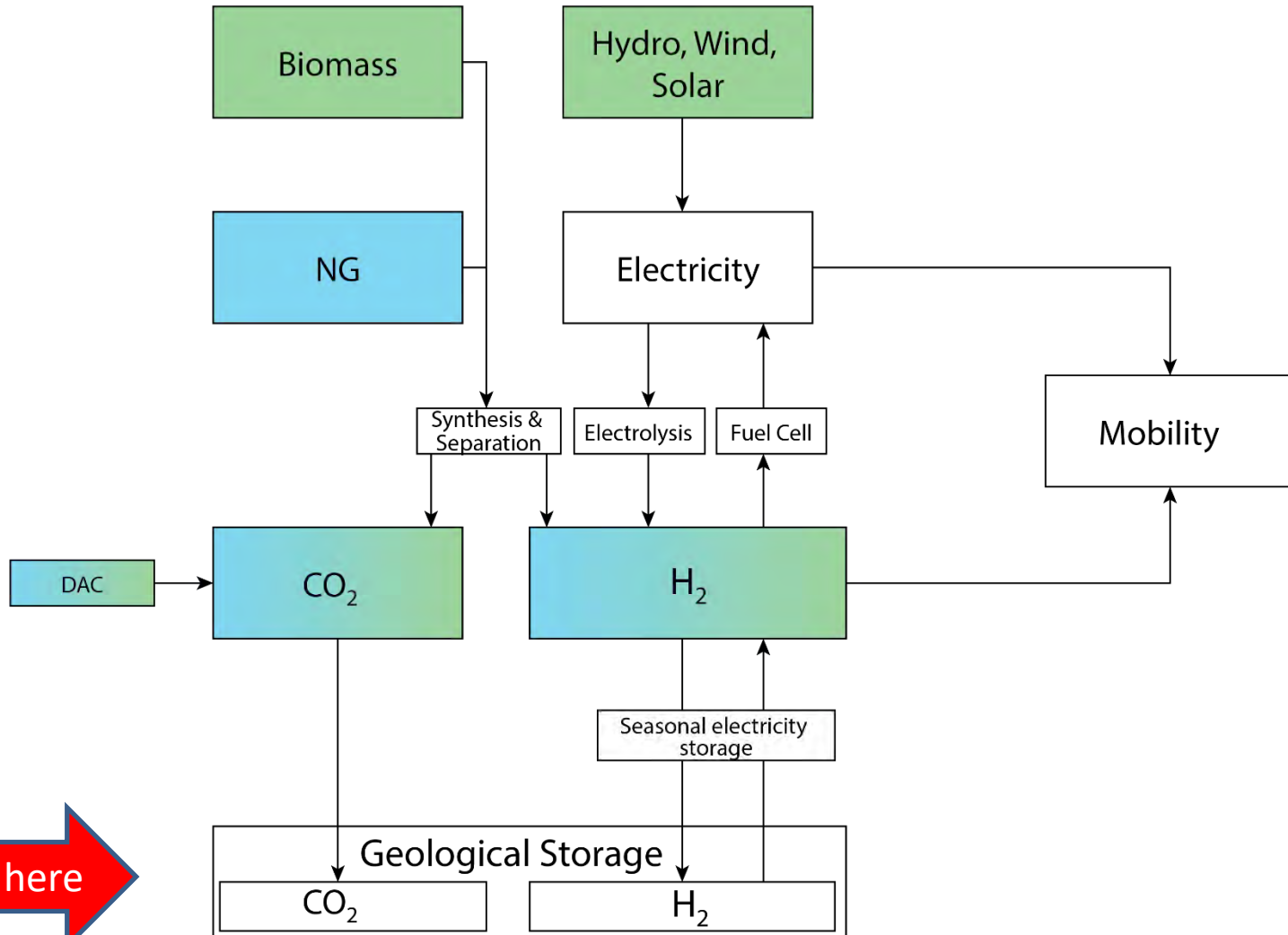
**Climeworks makes history with world-first commercial CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant**


Today Climeworks is unveiling its proudest achievement to date: the world's first commercially operational plant capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere.

We'll be bringing live updates from the launch event near Zürich, Switzerland. So check out our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) feeds and sign up to our newsletter to get the latest updates from our ongoing mission to capture one per cent of global carbon emissions by 2025.



# Elegancy - Vision



**We are here** 

Proposal full title:

## Enabling a Low-Carbon Economy via Hydrogen and CCS

Proposal acronym:

# ELEGANCY

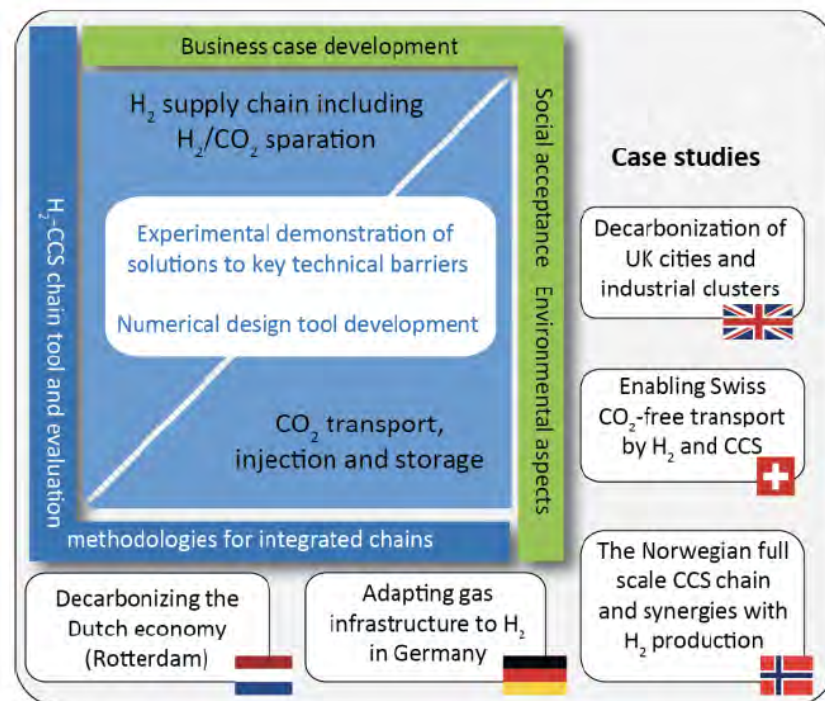
Call: ERA-NET Cofund ACT stage 2, full proposal, deadline 2017-01-16

Project coordinator: Dr Svend Tollak Munkejord, Chief Scientist, SINTEF Energy Research

E-mail: [svend.t.munkejord@sintef.no](mailto:svend.t.munkejord@sintef.no), Mobile phone: +47 47378042

### List of applicants

Note	Organization name	Acronym	Country	Organization type
Main applicant	SINTEF Energy Research	SINTEF	Norway	Research institute
	Amtzen de Besche	AdeB	Norway	Law firm
	Aker Solutions	AKSO	Norway	Technology provider
	Gassco AS	Gassco	Norway	Natural gas network operator
	Imperial College London	ICL	UK	University
National consortium leader, UK	British Geological Survey	BGS	UK	Research institute
	Scottish Enterprise	SE	UK	Development agency
	Sustainable Decisions Ltd	SDL	UK	Consultancy firm
	INEOS Chemicals	INEOS	UK	Petrochemical company
	Grangemouth Limited			
National consortium leader, CH	ETH Zürich	ETH	CH	University
	Swiss Competence Center for Energy Research – Supply of Electricity	SCCER	CH	University/Research institute
	Paul Scherrer Institute	PSI	CH	Research institute
	Climeworks AG	CW	CH	Technology provider
	Energie 360°	E360	CH	Natural gas grid operator
National consortium leader, DE	First Climate AG	FC	CH	Consultancy firm
	Ruhr-University Bochum	RUB	DE	University
	Open Grid Europe	OGE	DE	Natural gas grid operator
	Uniper Energy Storage	UES	DE	Technology provider
	Energy Research Centre of the Netherlands	ECN	NL	Research institute
National consortium leader, NL	Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research	TNO	NL	Research institute
	Utrecht University	UU	NL	University
	Shell	Shell	NL	Energy company
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	Groupe Européen de Recherches Gazières	GERG	BE	Industry association

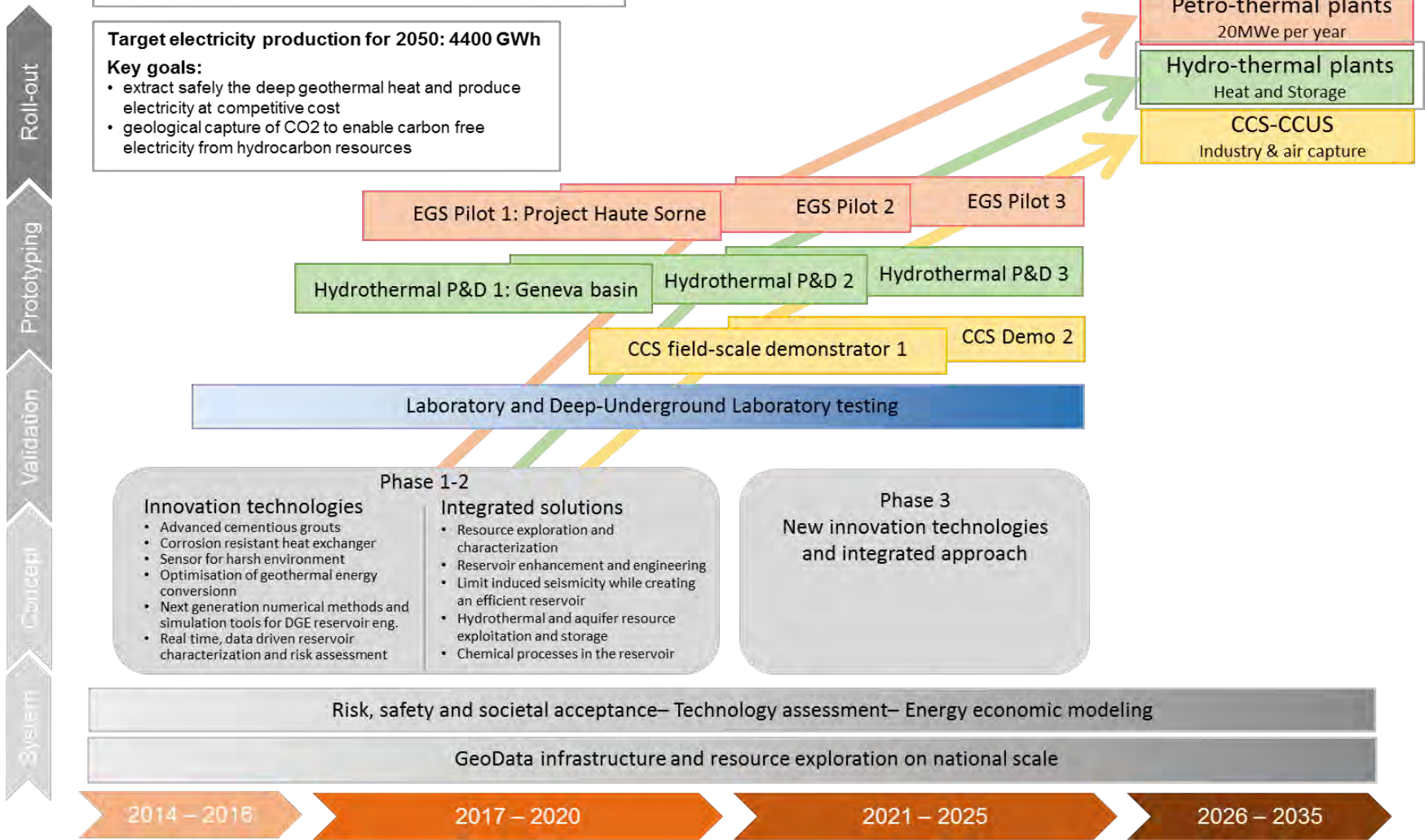


## Activity Overview of GeoEnergy

**Target electricity production for 2050: 4400 GWh**

**Key goals:**

- extract safely the deep geothermal heat and produce electricity at competitive cost
- geological capture of CO<sub>2</sub> to enable carbon free electricity from hydrocarbon resources



**Innovation technologies**

- Advanced cementitious grouts
- Corrosion resistant heat exchanger
- Sensor for harsh environment
- Optimisation of geothermal energy conversion
- Next generation numerical methods and simulation tools for DGE reservoir eng.
- Real time, data driven reservoir characterization and risk assessment

**Integrated solutions**

- Resource exploration and characterization
- Reservoir enhancement and engineering
- Limit induced seismicity while creating an efficient reservoir
- Hydrothermal and aquifer resource exploitation and storage
- Chemical processes in the reservoir

**Phase 3  
New innovation technologies and integrated approach**

Risk, safety and societal acceptance– Technology assessment– Energy economic modeling

GeoData infrastructure and resource exploration on national scale

2014 – 2016

2017 – 2020

2021 – 2025

2026 – 2035

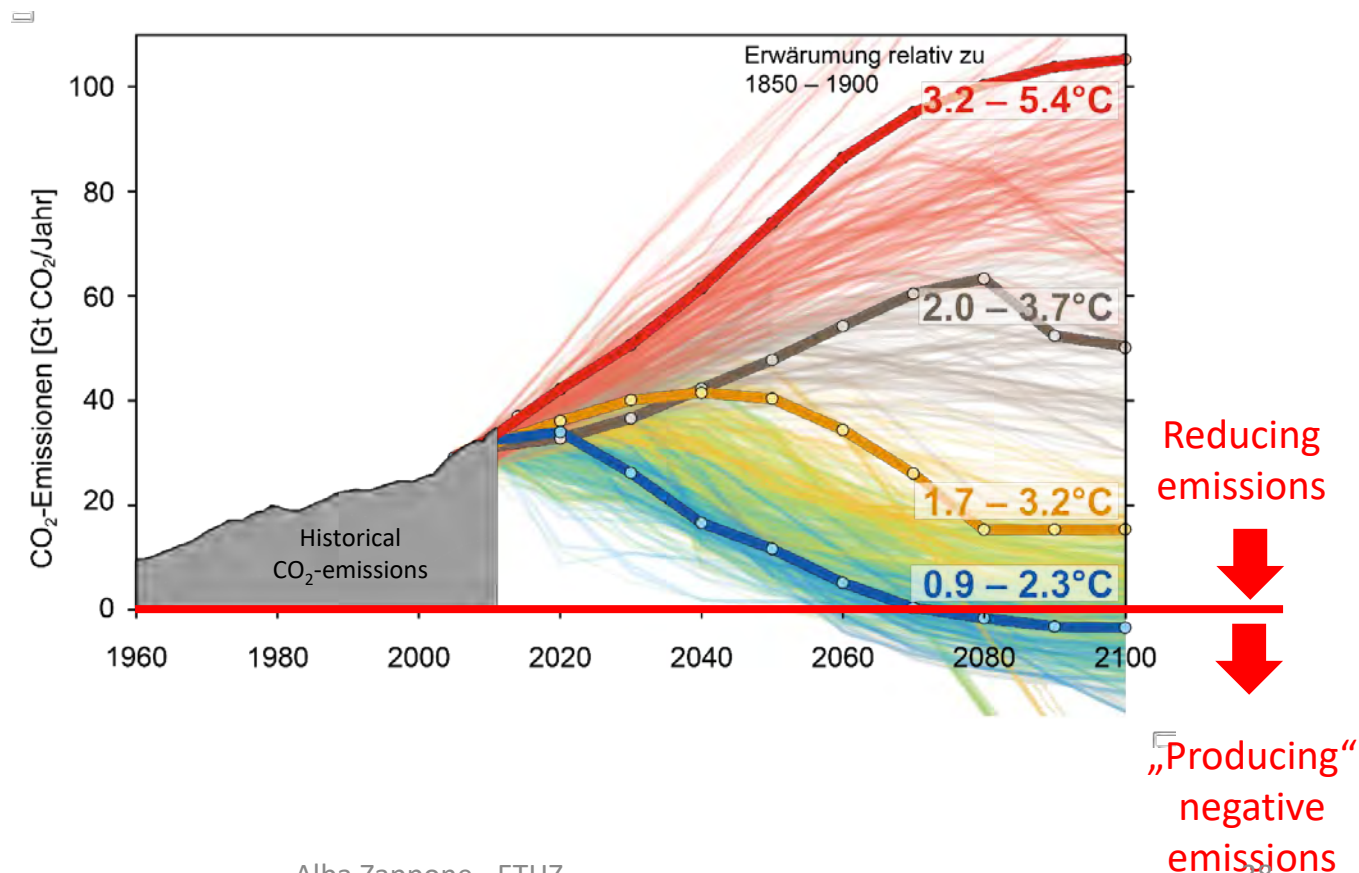
# Major roadblocks for CCS from my layman's perspective

- No business or regulatory case for CCS. Little industry in CH-.
- Not the most favorable geology in CH, no hydrocarbon reservoirs.
- Large uncertainty.
- Opposition from supporters of renewable energy.
- No scientific CCS 'hero' (?).
- No funding avenue for a test site.
- Lack of public acceptance (?), NIMBY
- etc.



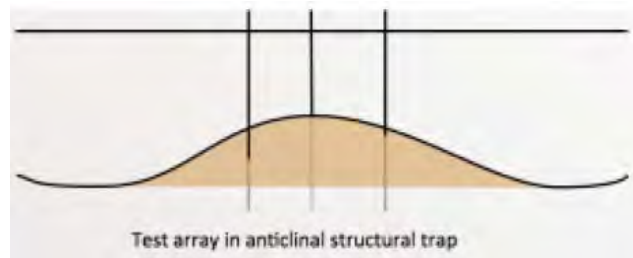
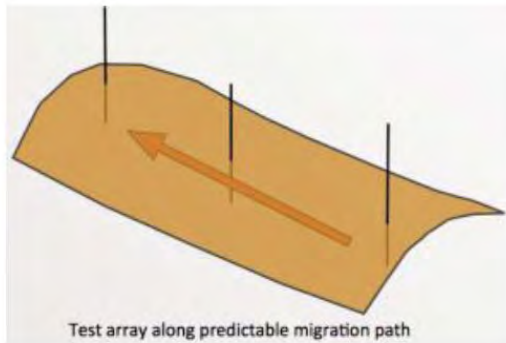
**But: We probably need CCS, DACCS – and/or geo-engineering.  
And changes may come more quickly than we think**

- Switzerland is aiming at:
- 20% greenhouse gases emissions reduction by 2020.
  - 50% emissions reduction by 2030.



# Phases of the storage roadmap

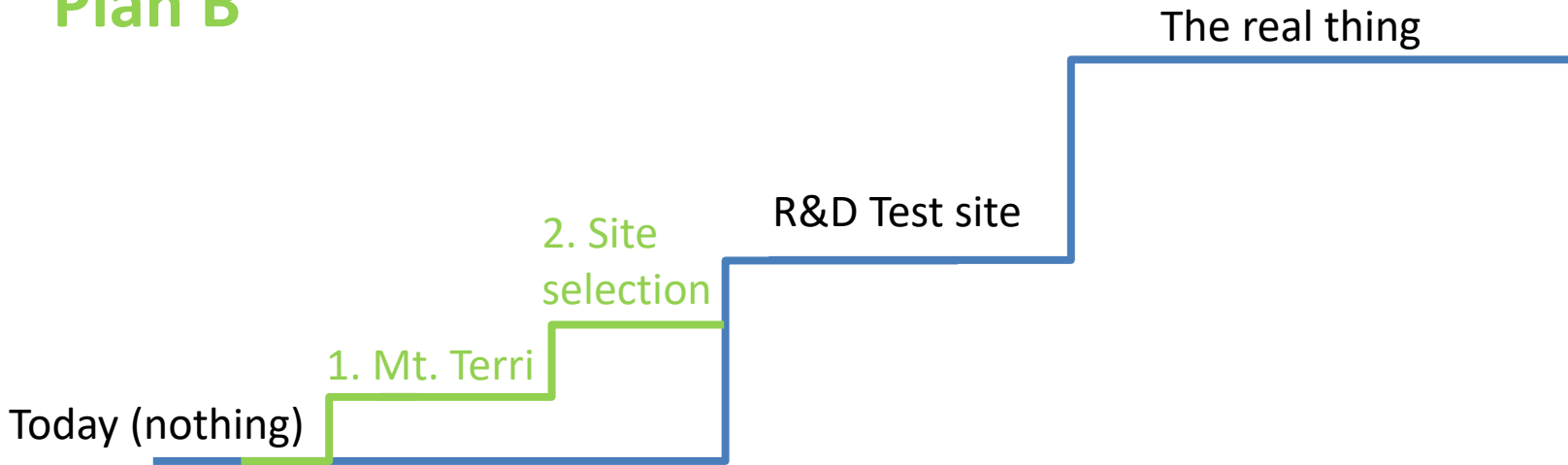
- We had a plan for the next step since CARMA: a test site
- But we cannot afford it. So:



	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4-5	Year 6-7	Year 7-post
	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4	PHASE 5	PHASE 6
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> storage</b> Explore and drill pilot well in Switzerland (CO <sub>2</sub> Transported by Truck)	Test site design Risk Dialogue					
		Risk Dialogue Permitting				
			Seismic exploration			
				Site acquisition Drilling Permit		
					Drilling and Installation Operations	
						Injection & Monitoring

Fig.7: Draft CO<sub>2</sub> storage pilot master time plan.

# Plan B



**A**ccelerating  
**C**CS  
**T**echnologies

Enabling a Low-Carbon Economy via Hydrogen and CCS

**ELEGANCY**

**1. Caprock/fault sealing integrity: in situ experiment**  
 Testing of a fault subjected to CO<sub>2</sub> injection  
**Mont Terri**

**2. CO<sub>2</sub> storage site selection**



# ELEGANCY

## Budget (k€)

3 years

ELEGANCY Switzerland

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## Caprock/fault sealing integrity: in situ experiment

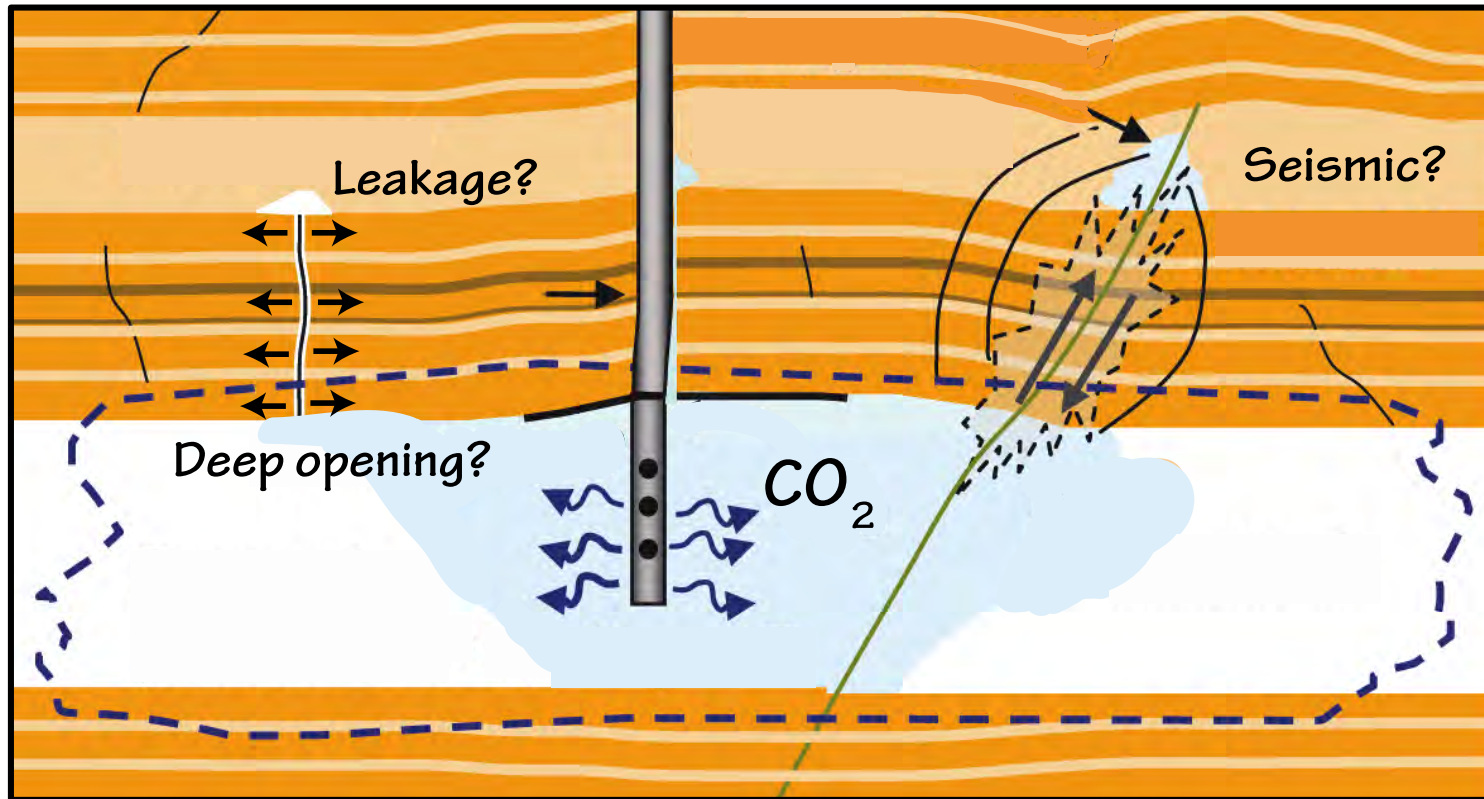
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### Mont Terri CS-D

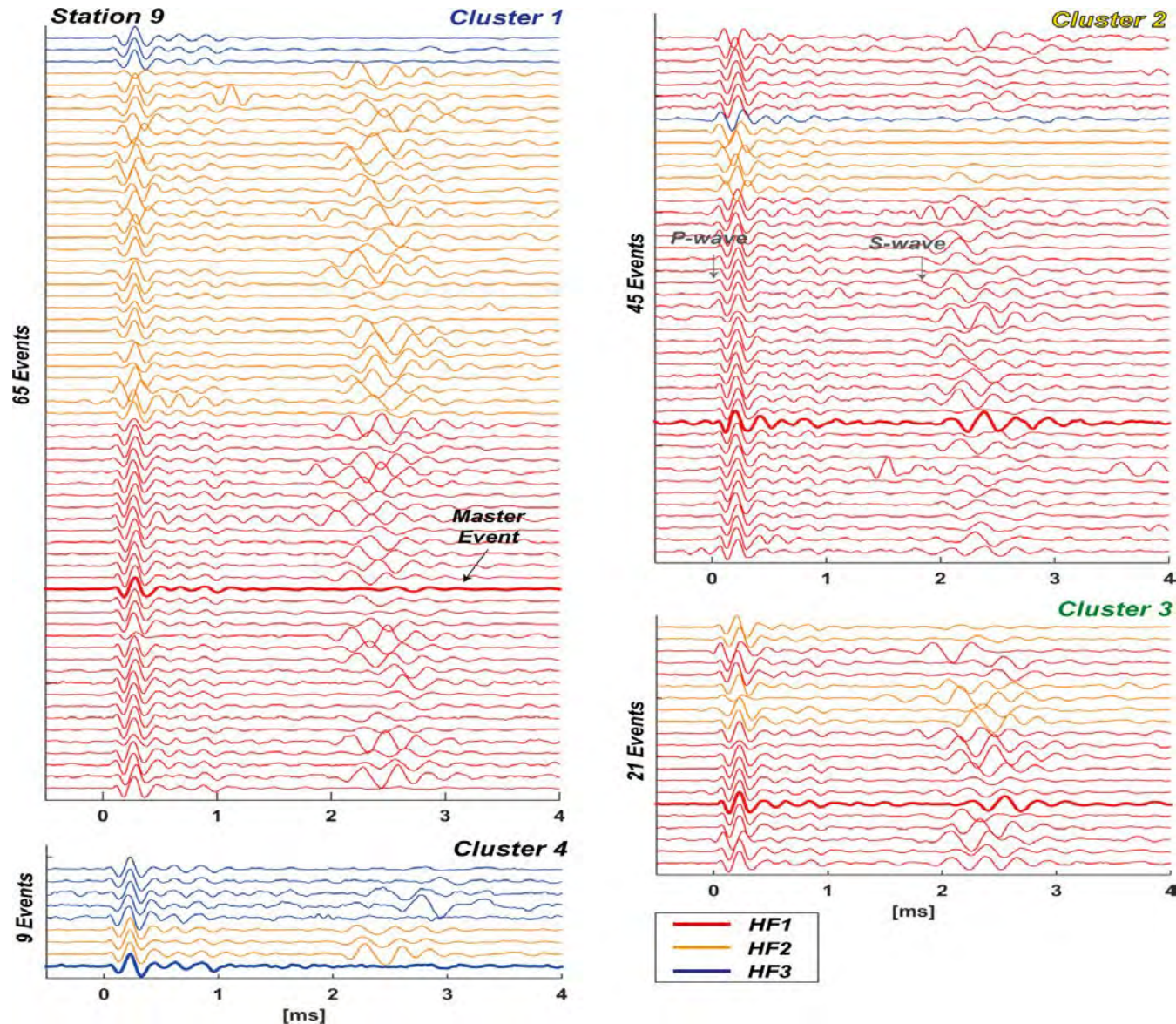
- Improve the understanding of the dynamic behavior of caprocks over a range of spatial and temporal scales
- Advance the state-of-the-art by bridging the gap between the laboratory- and the reservoir-scale
- De-risking CO<sub>2</sub> injection operations
- Pilot project implementation or «pilotization».

**Scaling**

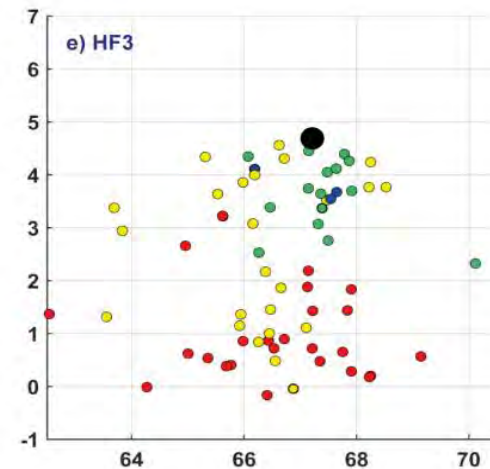
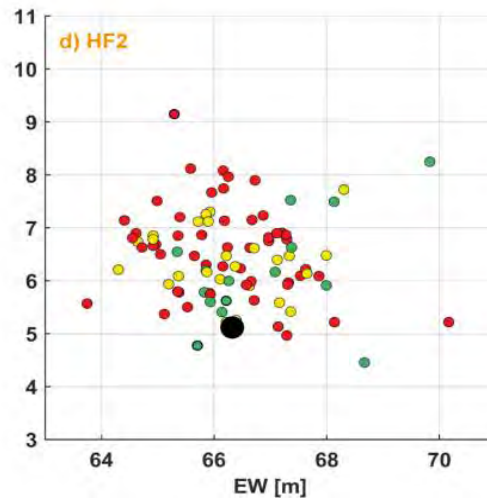
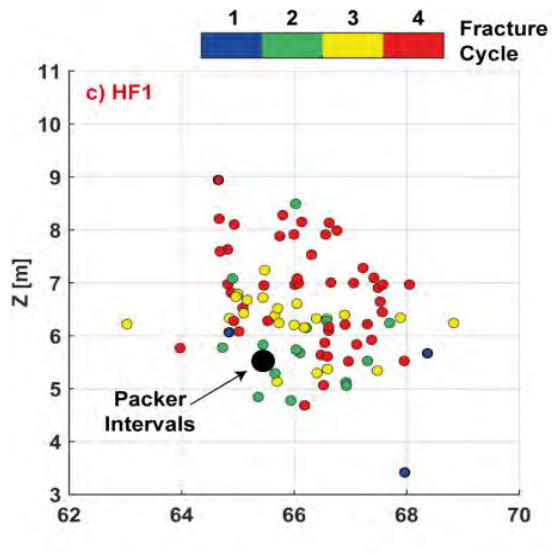
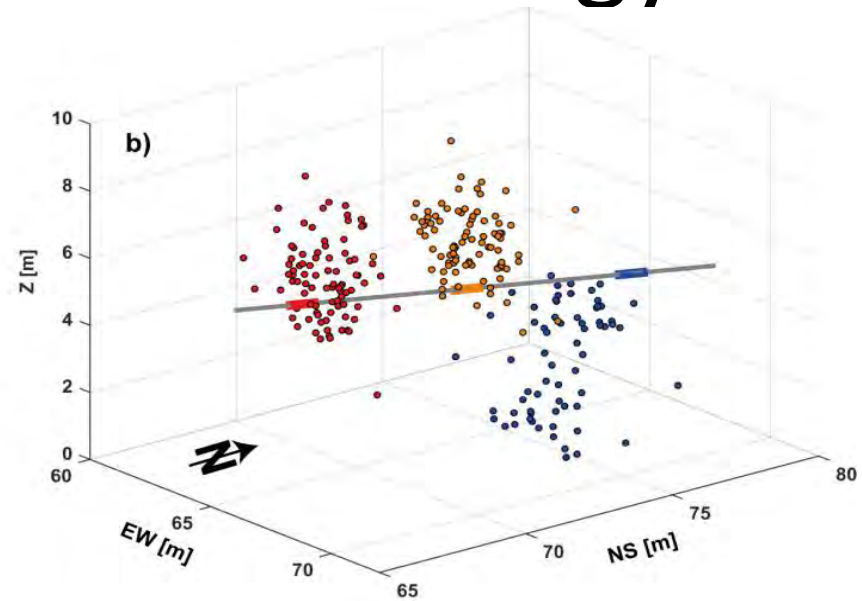
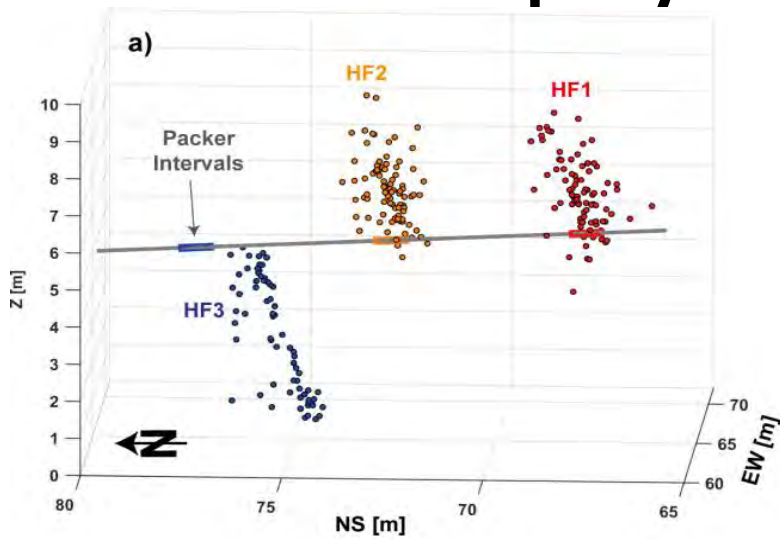
# Roles of geophysics?



# Geophysics - Seismology



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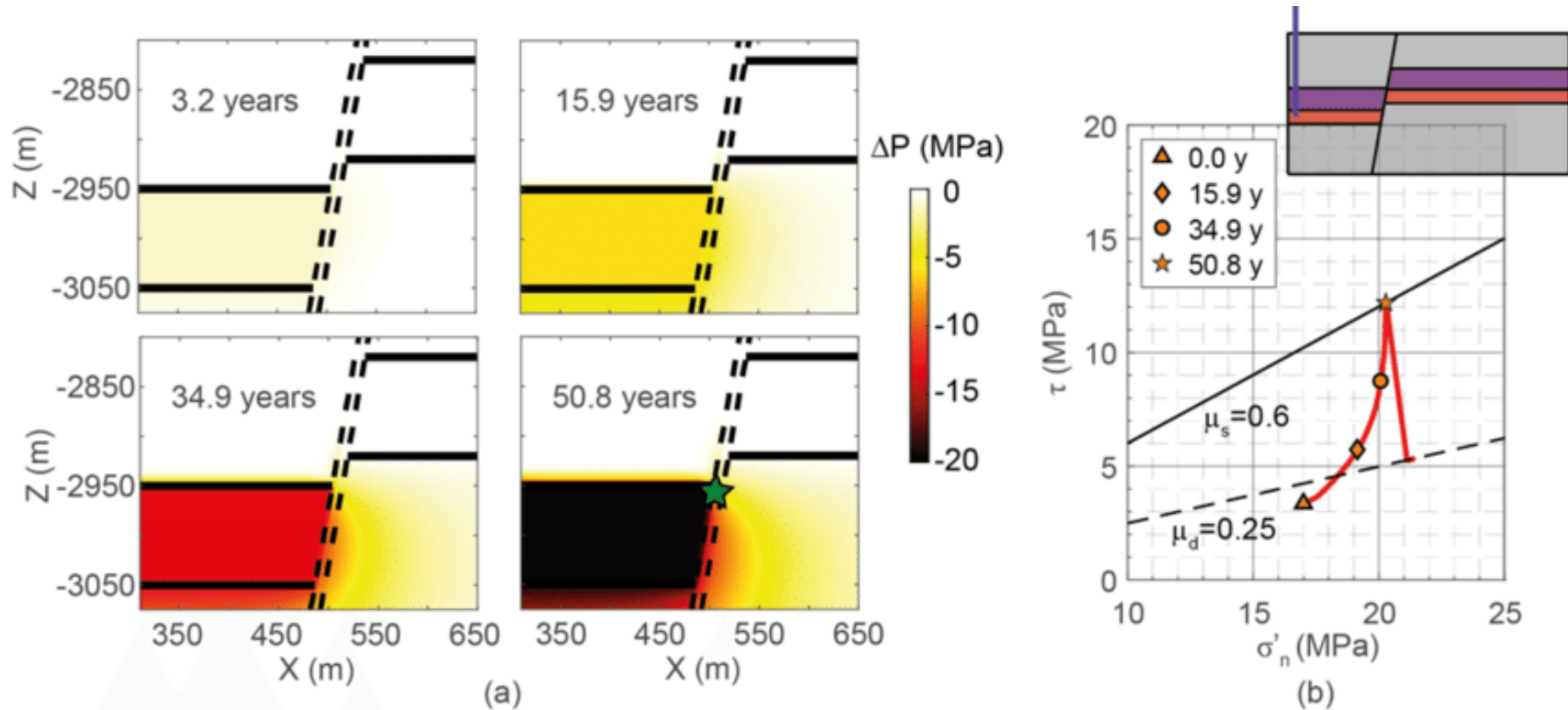


# Seismology with no EQs?

- Really?
- What are the conditions under which micro-seismicity or creep dominate? (→ LabQuake, HighStep)
- Is creep only micro-seismicity with very high  $b$  and below the detection threshold?
- Can we optimise out detection algorithms to see smaller events (cross-correlation ...)
- Can we track fluid propagation using ambient noise (or coda wave) interferometry?
- Model validation (→ Antonio)

# **Risk Governance: Monitoring and Mitigation Strategies**

# Modelling of fault reactivation potential





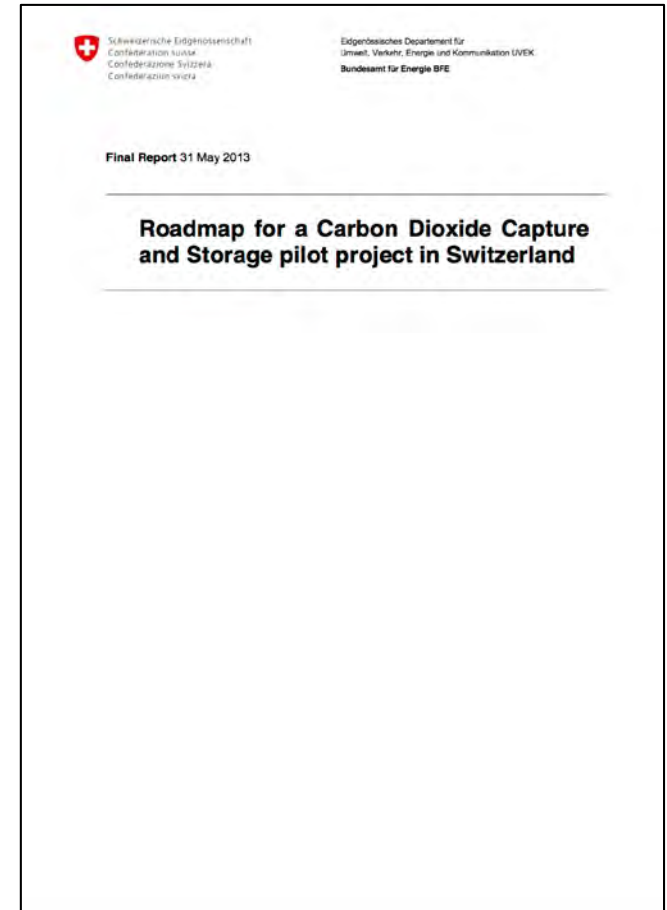
# Doing what?

Based on literature study, modeling and expert elicitation continue to define for the Swiss context ('what would it need'):

- Site characterization
- Risk assessment strategies
- Monitoring strategies
- Mitigation strategies
- etc.

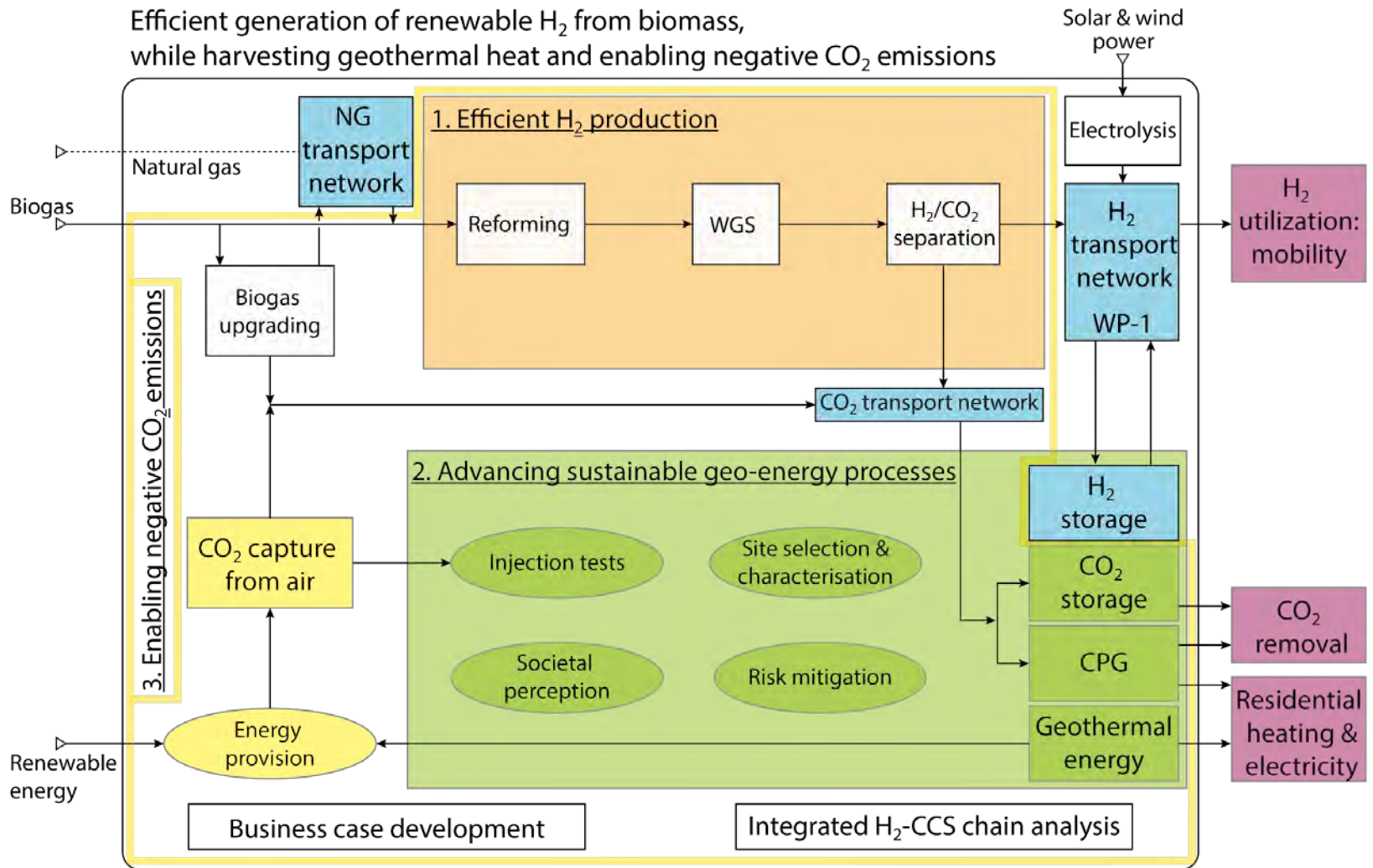
# CCS: why are we here?

- Rising CO<sub>2</sub> levels and resulting climate change is deeply worrisome.
- Science in Switzerland, should try to make a difference.
- ELEGANCY: An opportunity to do something, may be not perfect at all, but better than nothing.
- And, hopefully, networking opportunity and a stepping stone.



## Swiss case study

Efficient generation of renewable H<sub>2</sub> from biomass, while harvesting geothermal heat and enabling negative CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



# ELEGANCY

## Caprock/fault sealing integrity: Mont Terri experiment

### Technical layout

- 1 central injection borehole with two intervals in the Main Fault (scaly clay fabric and fractured zone). Injection of a CO<sub>2</sub>-rich brine.
- Ca. 7-8 months of continuous injection, with pulse tests before and during injection.
- 3 to 5 monitoring boreholes for geophysical characterisation (active/passive seismic, etc.).
- Post-experiment: 2-3 sampling boreholes for geochemical characterization.

