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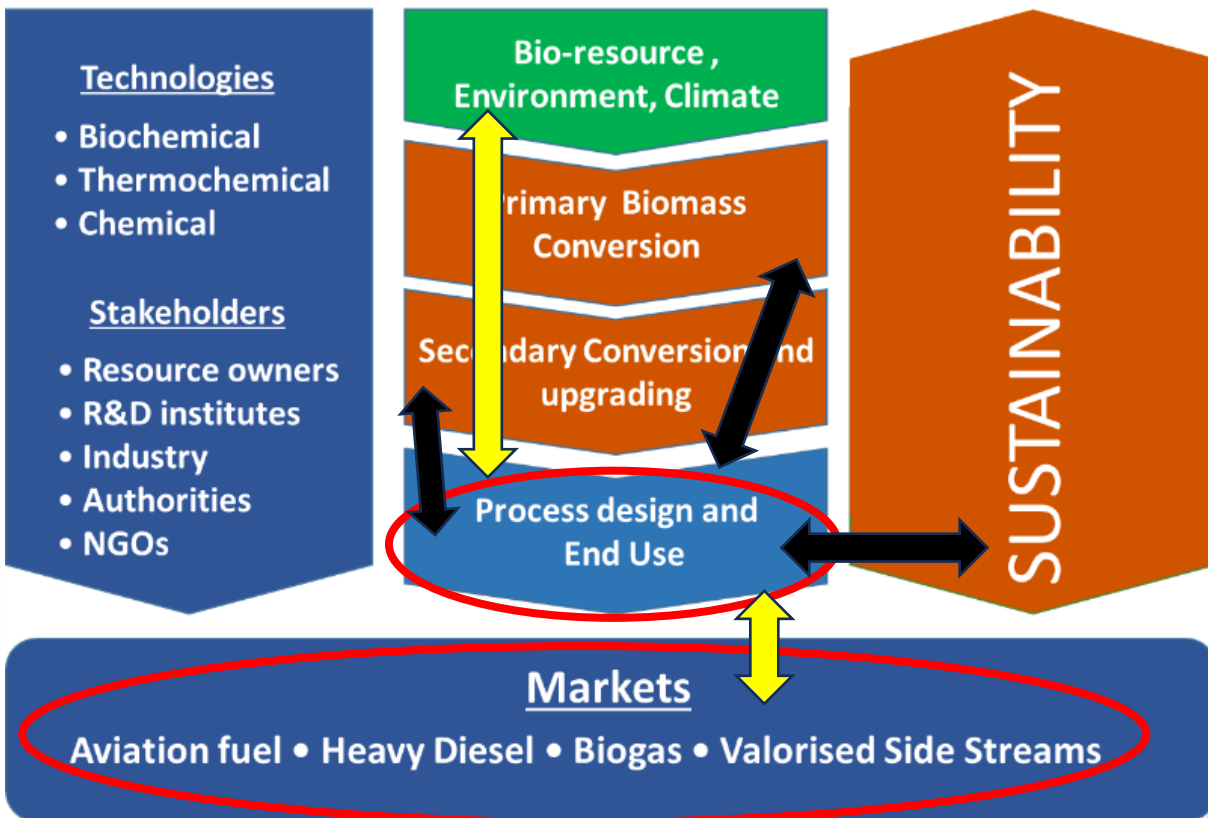


SP 5 Process Design and End Use

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SP4. Process design and End Use (B. Wittgens SINTEF MK)

WP4.1 Modelling Tool for Biorefineries (H. Preisig, NTNU)

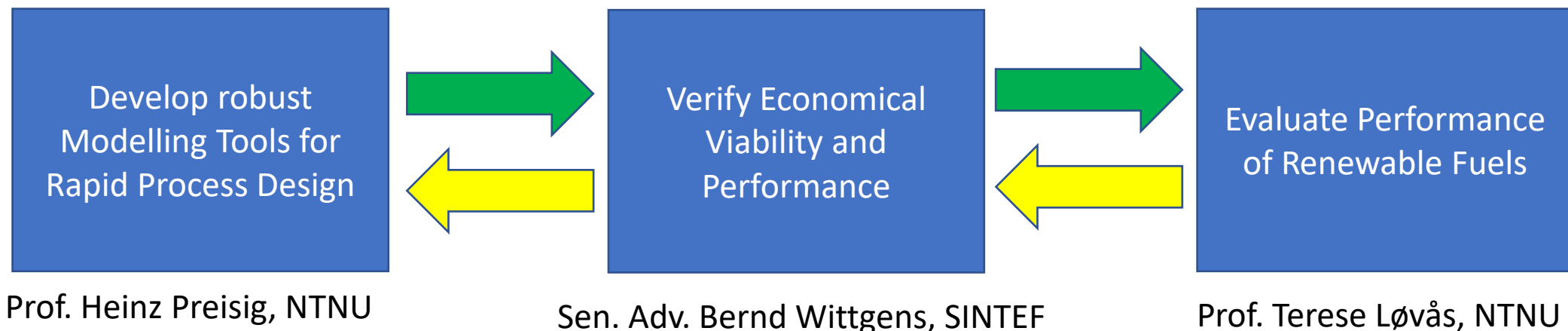
WP4.2 Techno-Economic Eval. / Scale of Economy (B. Wittgens, SINTEF)

WP4.3 Preparing for Piloting and Up-scaling (K. Jens, HSN)

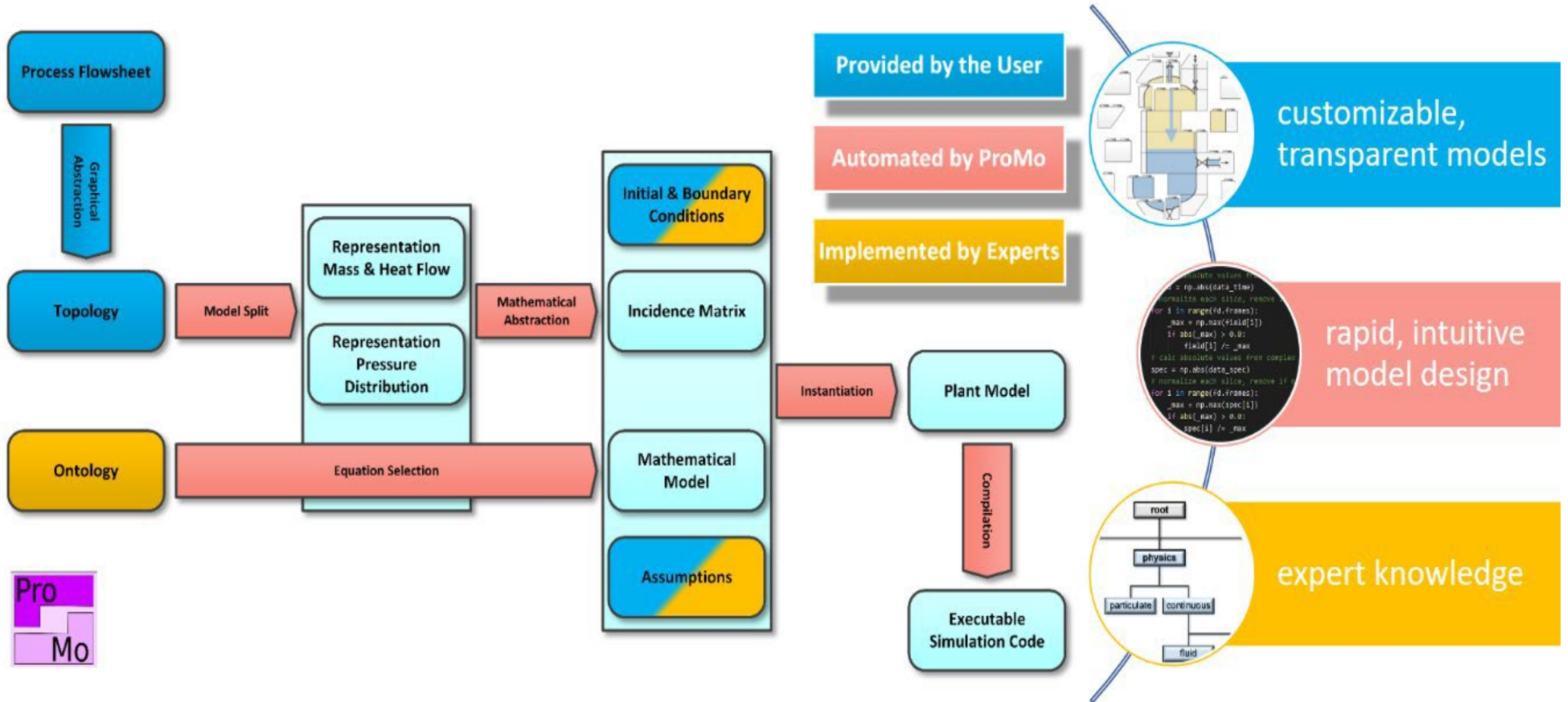
WP4.4 Product quality and End Use (T. Løvaas, NTNU)

Objectives

- Develop models to describe unit operation and use these as basis for new improved process design, potentially automate the model building and process design
- Fundamental science converted to commercial opportunities; more efficient processes and lower CAPEX/OPEX
- Evaluate current and new low carbon fuels under relevant combustion conditions, focus fuel conversion and emissions

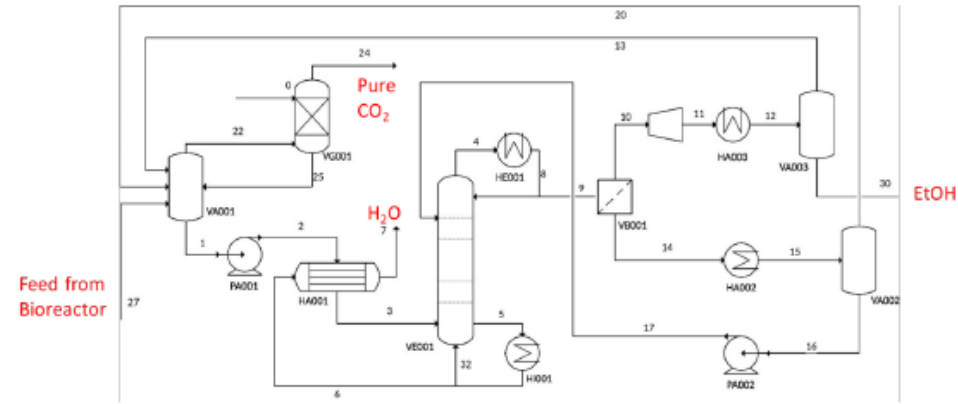


5 Process Design: "Automated" Modelling of unit operations

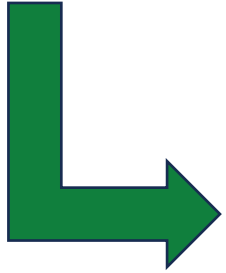
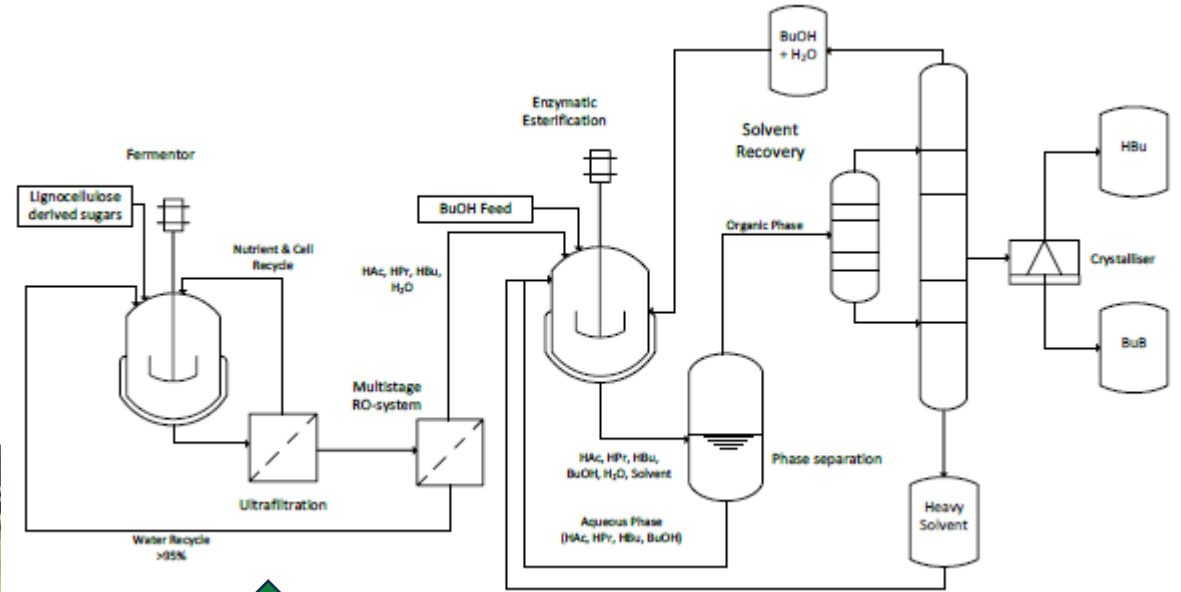
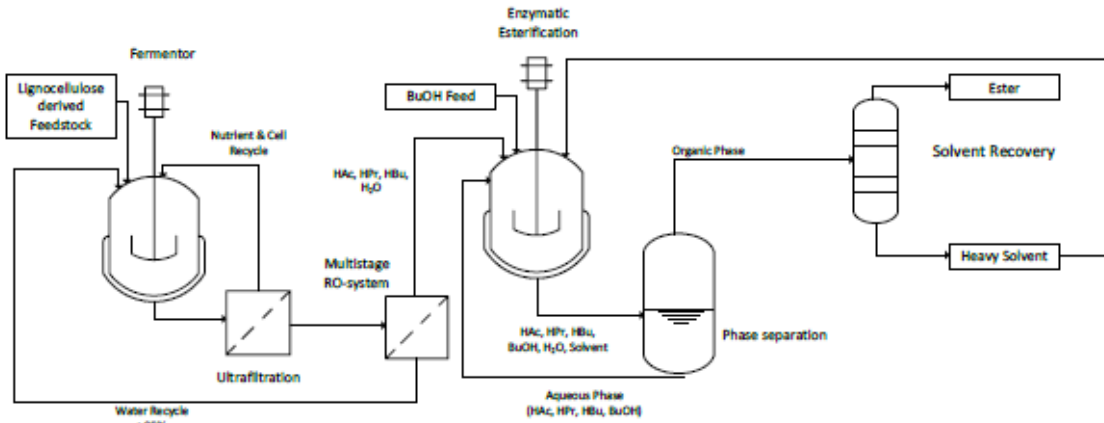


6 5.1 Process Design

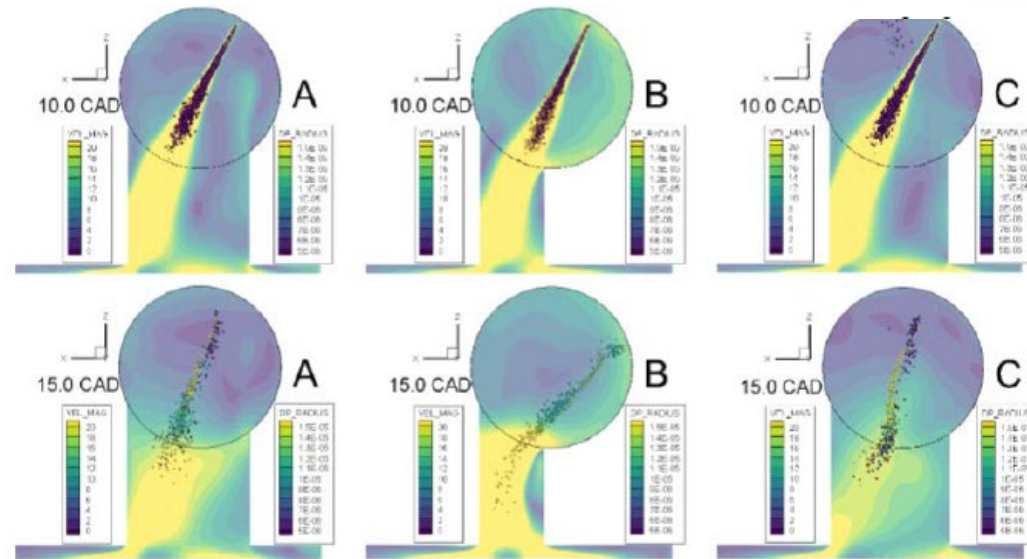
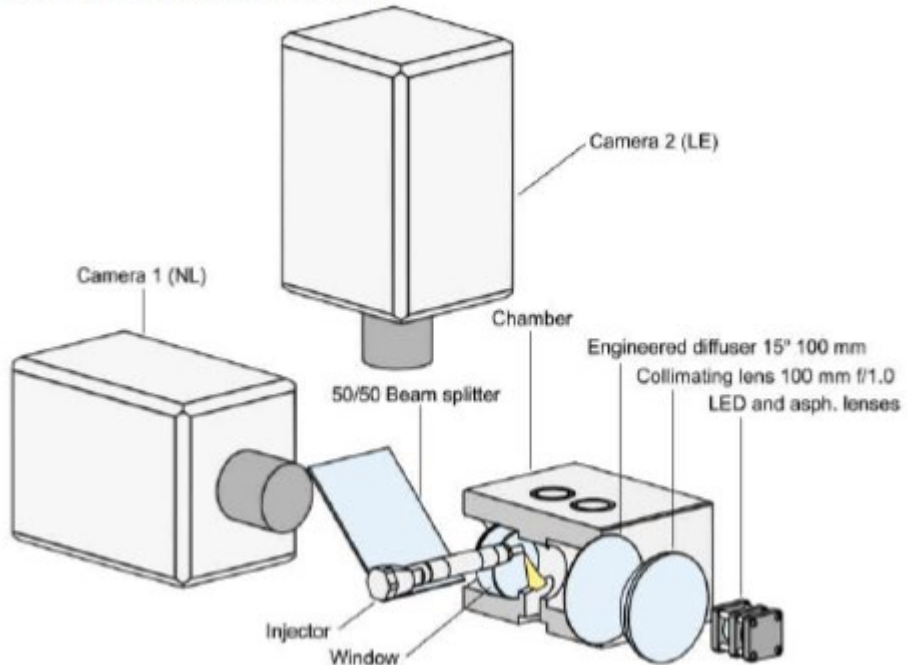
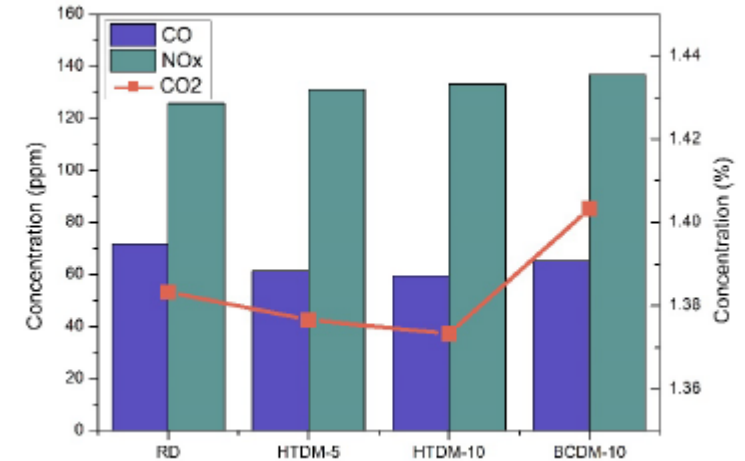
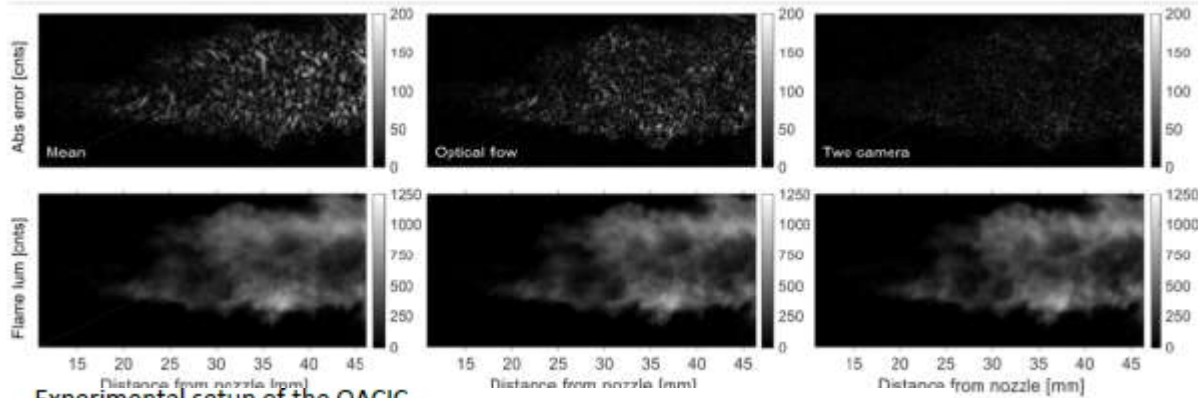
A new process for ethanol recovery: 15% lower capital costs and 18% lower energy consumption. (EU Ambition)



Process Development (ERANET BESTER)



7 5.2 End Use (Experimental, Modelling and Optimization)



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Optical Accessible Compression Ignited Chamber (OACIC)

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Summary

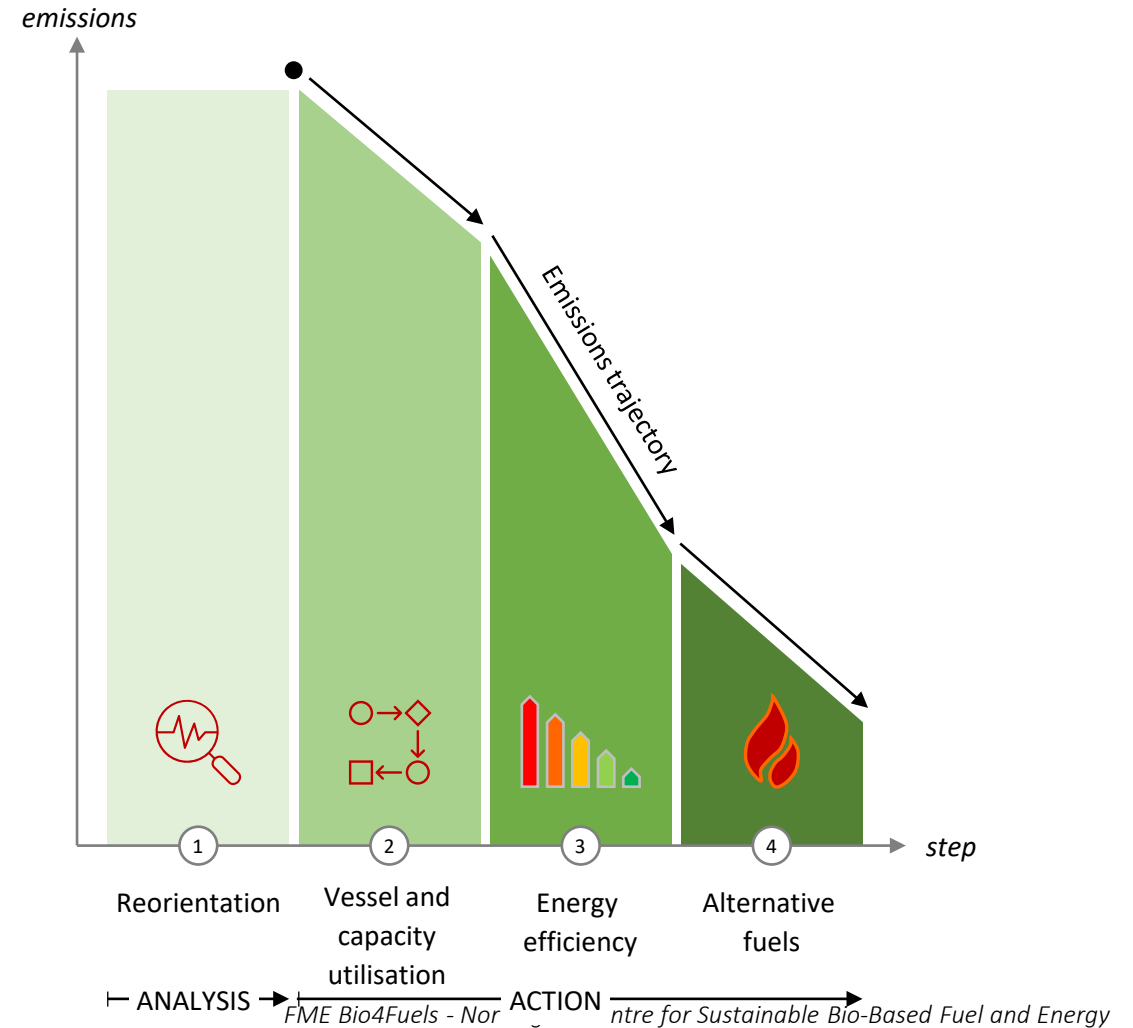
- 8 years of interdisciplinary activity
- Step learning curve to model
 - Biochemical conversion kinetics and operational conditions
 - Separation is complex for most biorefinery processes (thermochemical and biochemical)
 - Strong integration of experimental and modelling needed
- Comprehensive spin-off projects developed

Today's program

- **FOCUS: Process Design and End Use.** Chair: Bernd Wittgens, SINTEF
 - 11:00 – 11:10 *SP Leader introduction*, Bernd Wittgens
 - 11:10 – 11:35 *Fuel transition strategies to achieve real emissions reductions in shipping*, Anders Valland, Sintef Ocean
 - 11:35 – 12:00 *Modelling of an integrated biorefinery for spruce valorization and preliminary Techno economic assessment*, Matteo Gilardi, SINTEF Industry

A Valland: Fuel transition strategies to achieve real emissions reductions in shipping

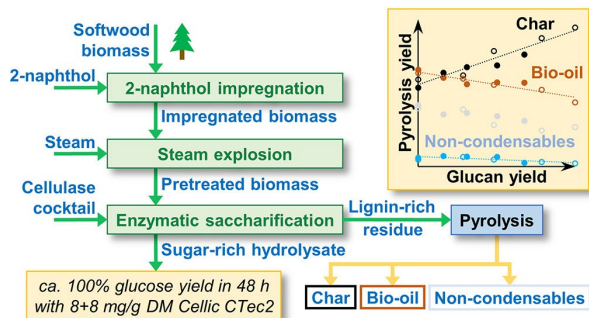
- The presentation will cover the
- Current situation in global maritime shipping and
- Gap's between ambitions and actual state of affairs.
- Examples on performance of biofuels in engine tests compared to fossil fuels
- Strategy for how to move shipping towards the targets set by the IMO



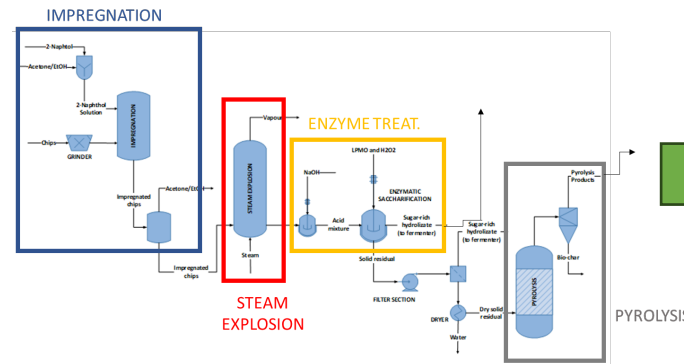
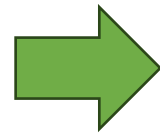
14 M. Gilardi: Modelling of an integrated biorefinery for spruce valoriation and preliminary TEA (From lab-scale to industrial facility)

We target process **design and scale-up** of a **biorefinery for the valorization of spruce chips**:

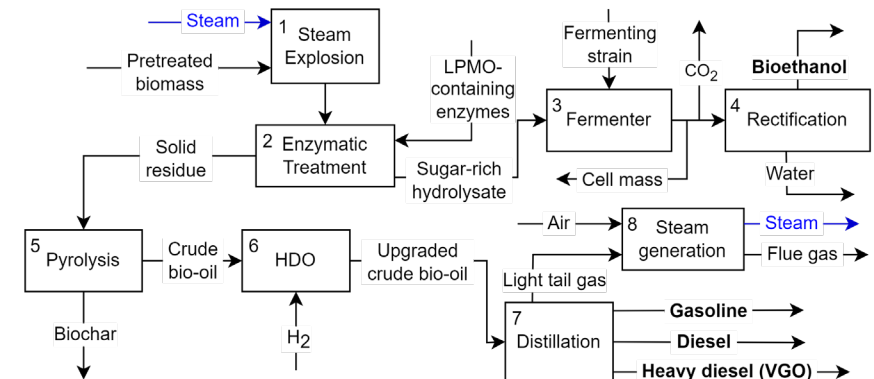
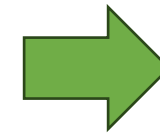
- Remove lab-scale steps that cannot be replicated on an industrial scale
- Identify missing steps and **design a comprehensive process**
- Identify a feasible and **valuable path to convert biomass into added-value chemicals**



1. Tested lab-scale concept



2. Translation into a feasible industrial plant



3. BFD completed with missing steps/units



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