

Contributions and Problems of Rare Earth Elements for Zero- carbon and Higher Resource Efficiency Society

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Circular Economy Strategy



Closing the loop - An EU action plan for the Circular Economy

The European Commission adopted an ambitious **Circular Economy Package**, which includes revised legislative proposals on waste to stimulate Europe's transition towards a circular economy which will boost global competitiveness, foster sustainable economic growth and generate new jobs.

The Circular Economy Package consists of an [EU Action Plan for the Circular Economy](#) that establishes a concrete and ambitious programme of action, with measures covering the whole cycle: from production and consumption to waste management and the market for secondary raw materials. The [annex to the action plan](#) sets out the timeline when the actions will be completed.

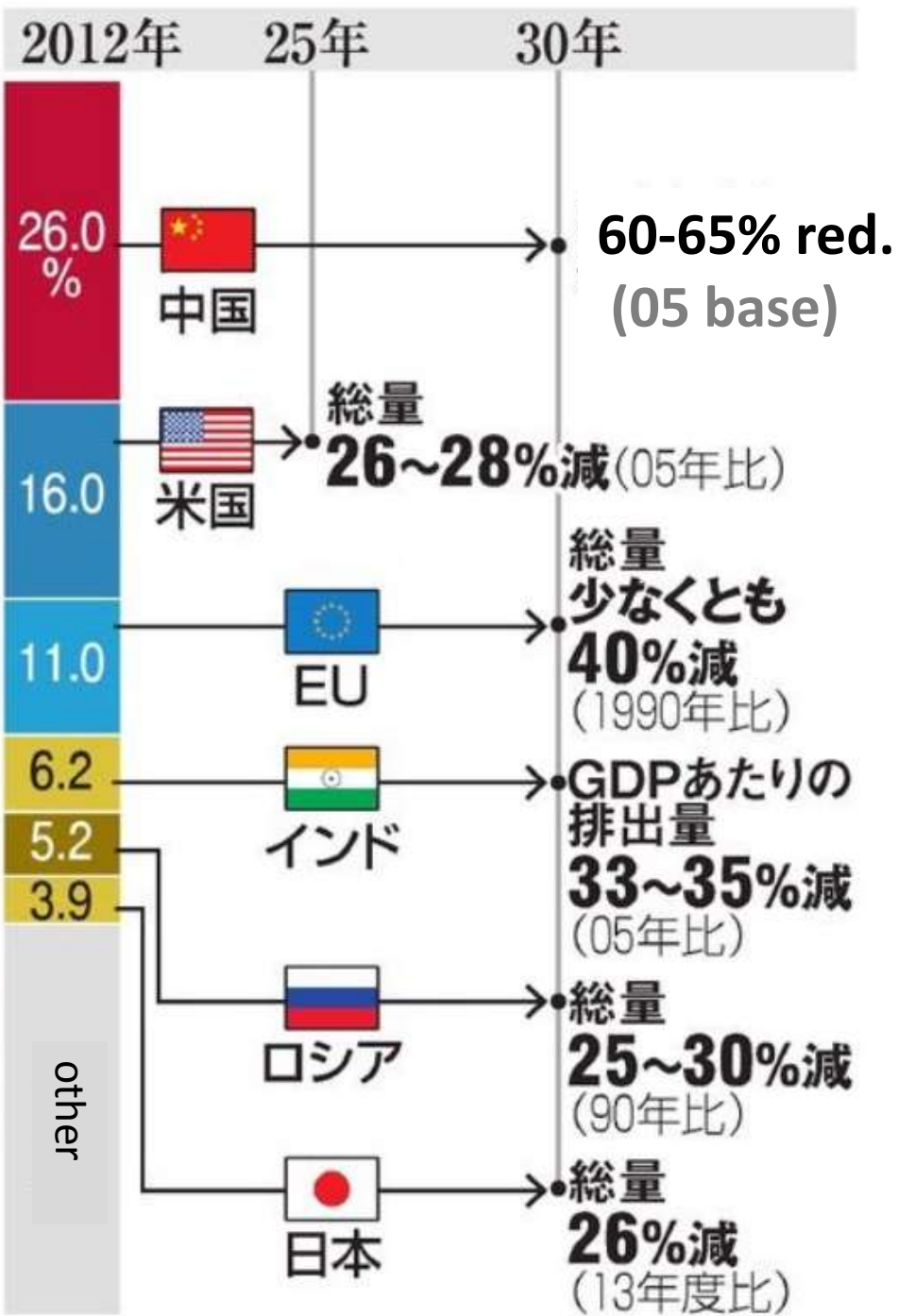
The proposed actions will contribute to "**closing the loop**" of product lifecycles through greater recycling and re-use, and bring benefits for both the environment and the economy.

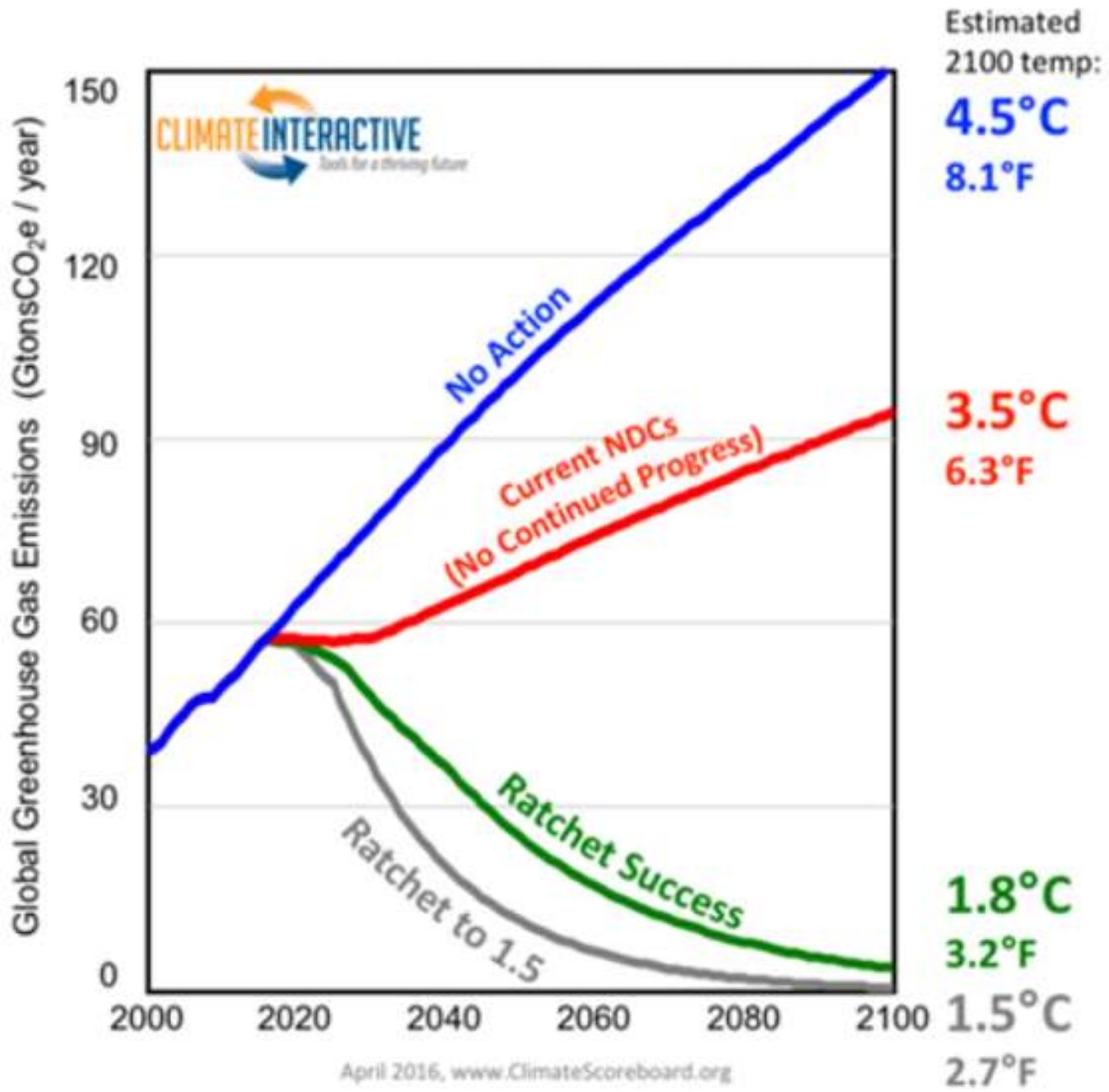
The **revised legislative proposals on waste** set clear targets for reduction of waste and establish an ambitious and credible long-term path for waste management and recycling. Key elements of the revised waste proposal include:

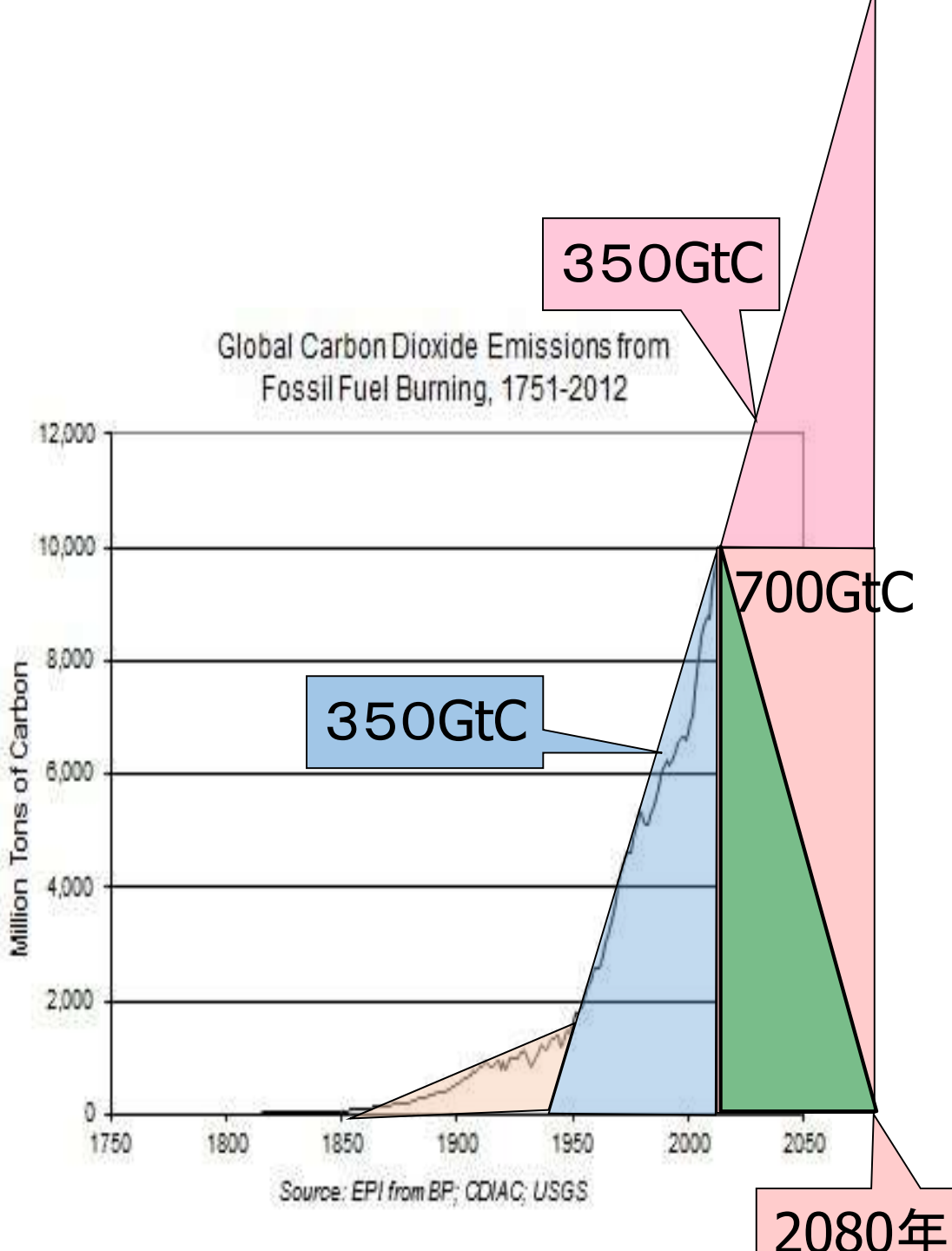
- A common EU target for recycling 65% of municipal waste by 2030;
- A common EU target for recycling 75% of packaging waste by 2030;
- A binding landfill target to reduce landfill to maximum of 10% of all waste by 2030;
- A ban on landfilling of separately collected waste;
- Promotion of economic instruments to discourage landfilling ;
- Simplified and improved definitions and harmonised calculation methods for recycling rates throughout the EU;
- Concrete measures to promote re-use and stimulate industrial symbiosis - turning one industry's by-product into another industry's raw material;
- Economic incentives for producers to put greener products on the market and support recovery and recycling schemes (eg for packaging, batteries, electric and electronic equipments, vehicles).



主な国・地域の二酸化炭素排出量の割合と削減目標







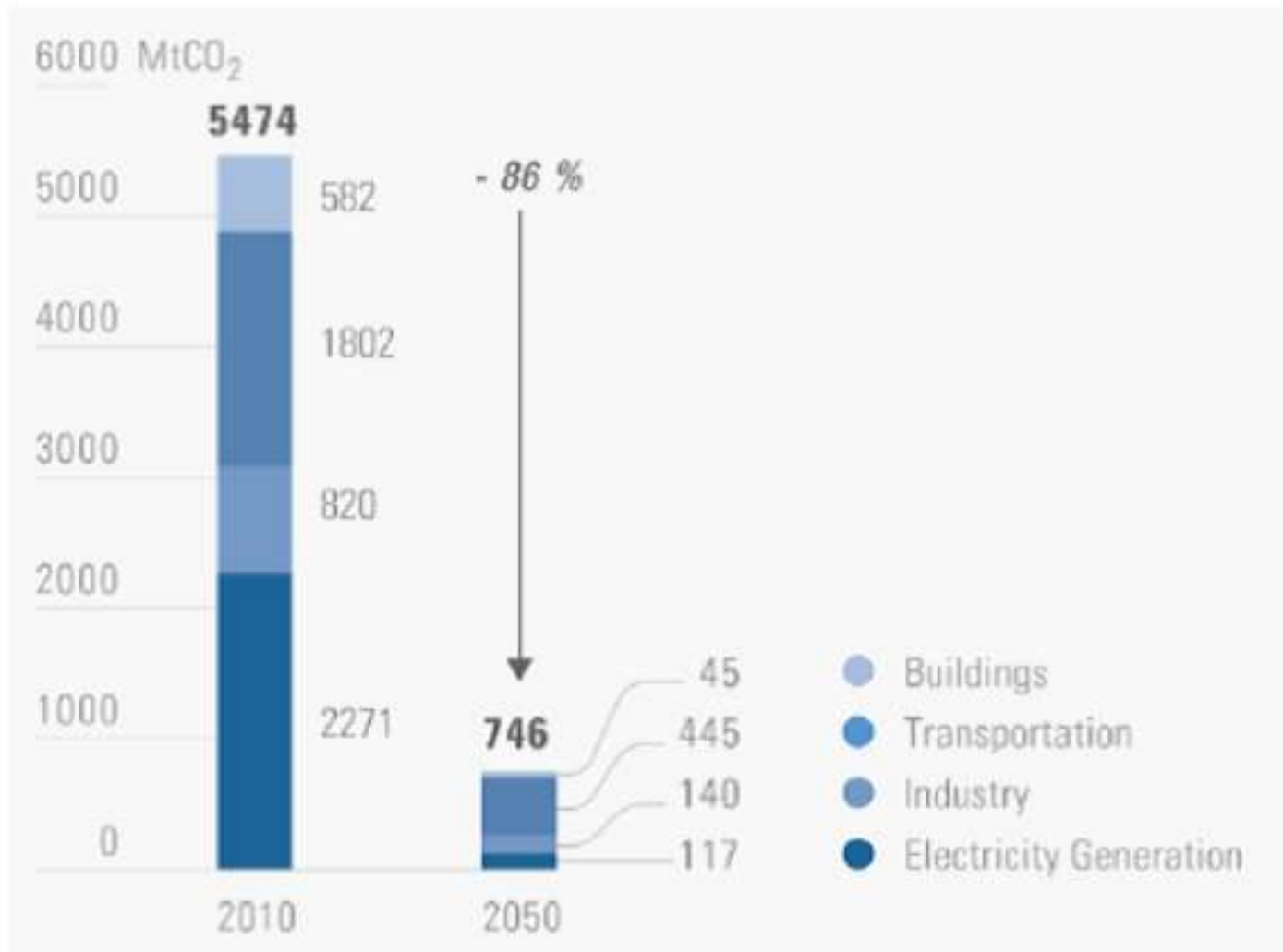
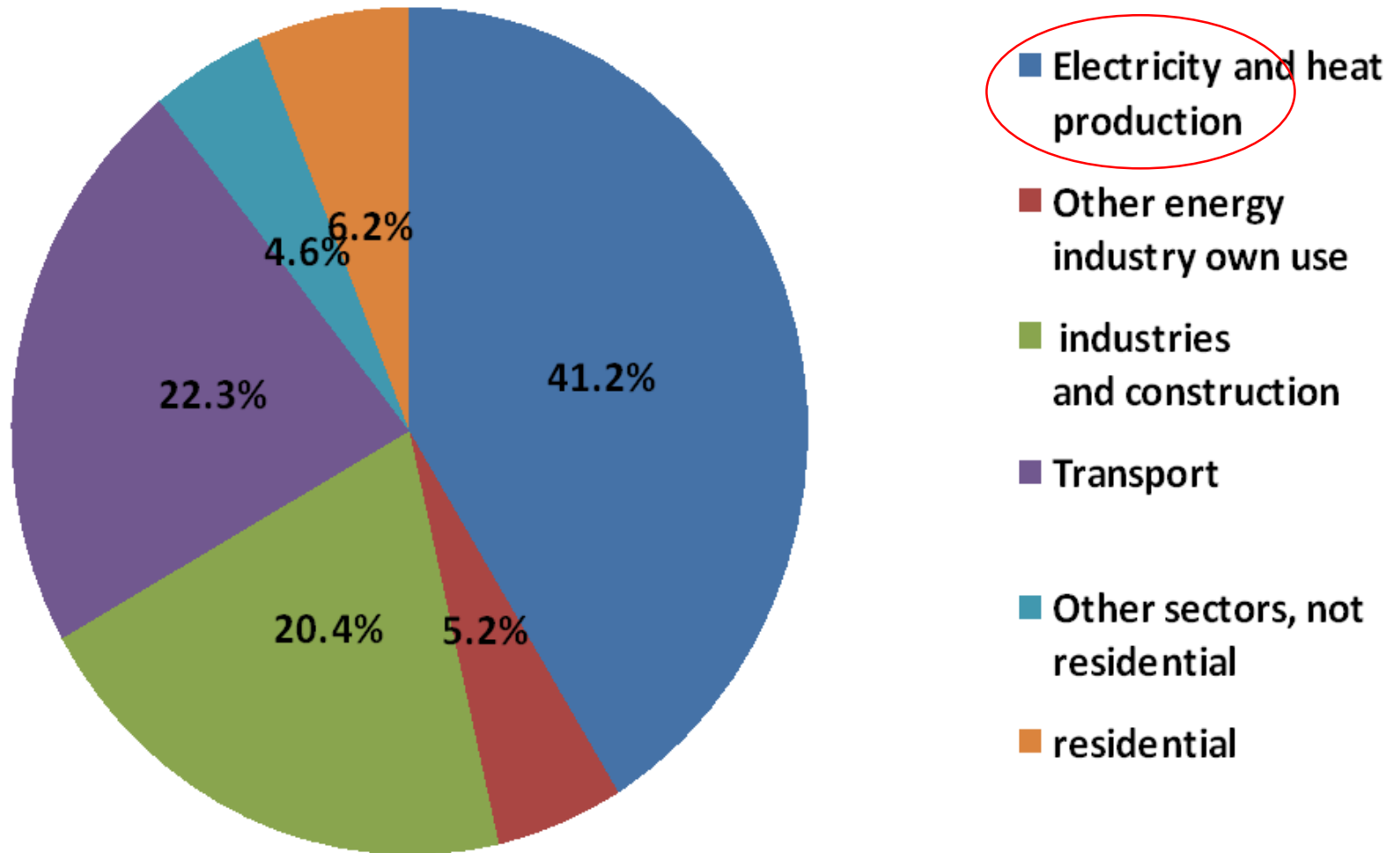


Figure 1: USA Energy-Related CO₂ Emissions Pathway by Sector, 2010-2050

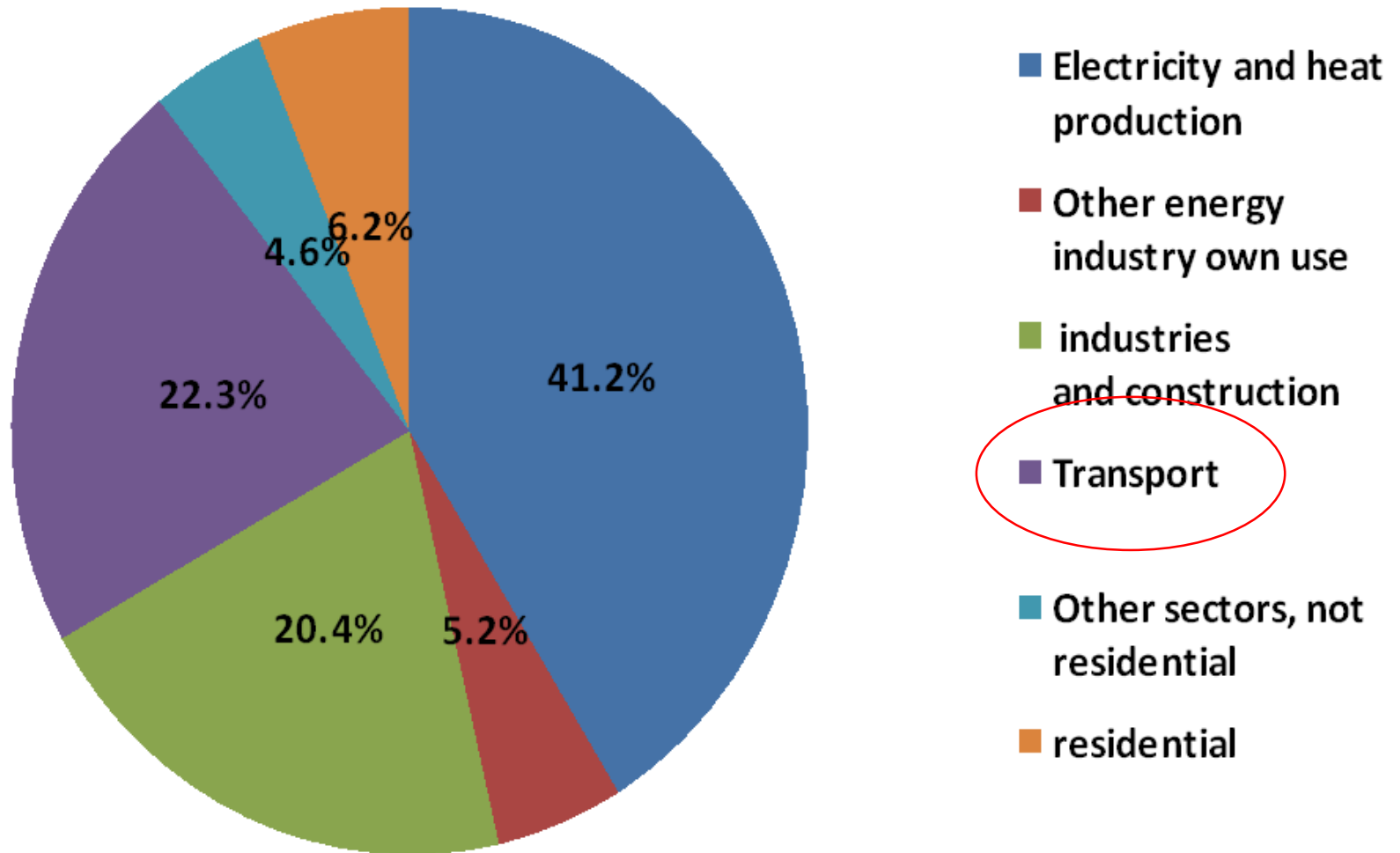
CO2 Emissions by production sector

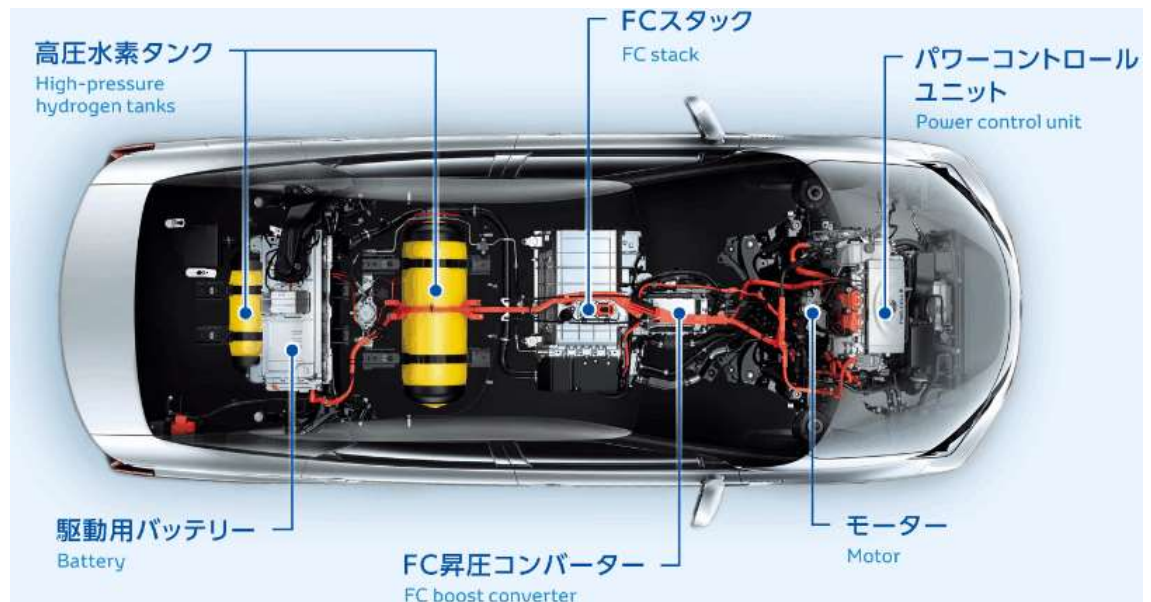
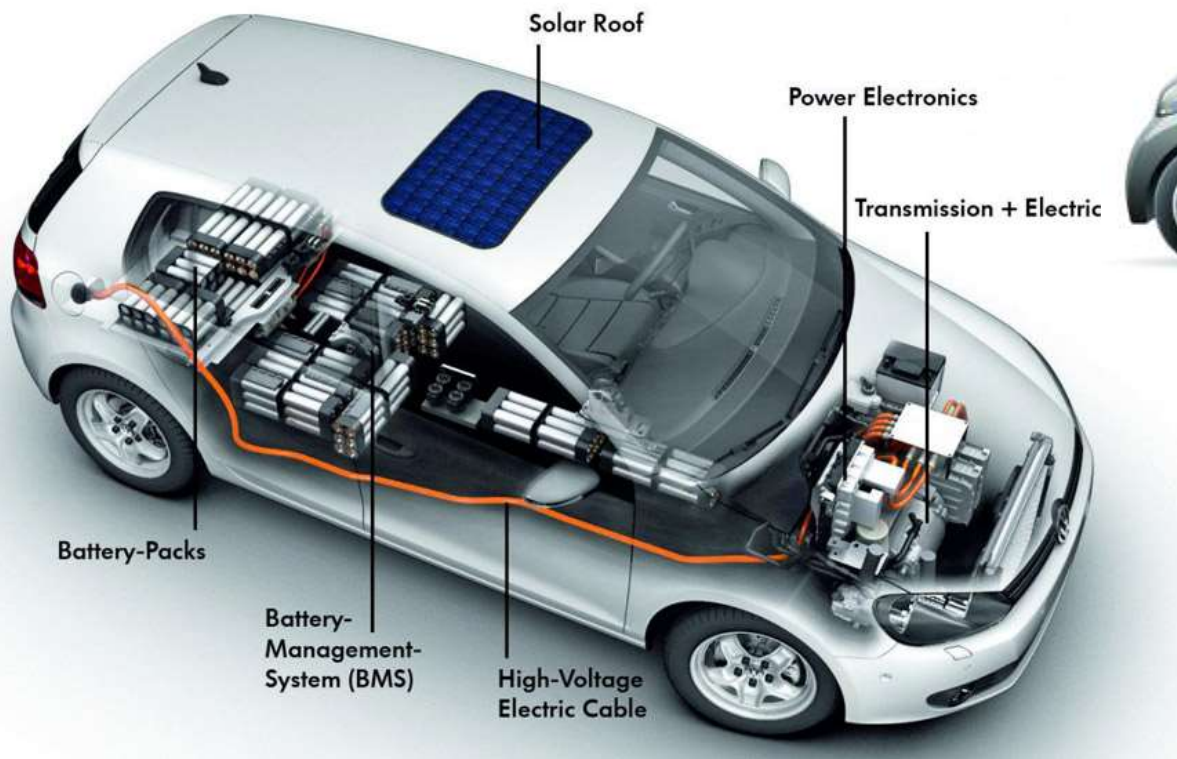




300W AC24V/12V Rare Earth WIND TURBINE
GENERATOR PERMANENT MAGNET
ALTERNATOR

CO2 Emissions by production sector





Environmental white paper, Japan

表5-3-1 60Wタイプ白熱電球をLED電球に置換した場合の比較

	白熱電球60W型	LED電球	比較
写真(注1)			
消費電力	54W	8.4W	約1/8に減(002排出量も約1/8に)
寿命	1,000時間	40,000時間	40倍
価格(注2)	100円	2,880円	約29倍
40,000時間利用時の電気代(注1)	47,520円	5,832円	41,888円の減
1年間のコスト(注3)	2,578円	428円	約1.3年で価格差を回収可能

注1：製品画像及び電力料金目安単価は、東芝ライテック社資料から引用

2：LED電球の価格は環境省調べ

3：年間2000時間使用した場合の年間電気代及び購入コスト。価格を寿命(時間)で割り、1時間当たりの電気代に上乗せして算出。

資料：環境省

LED

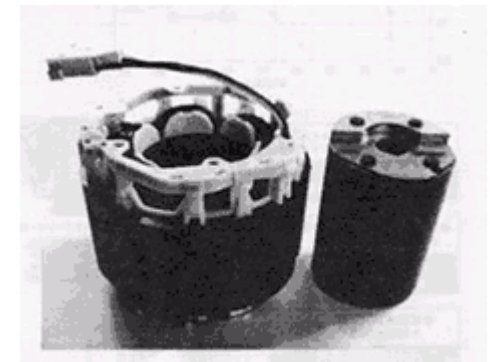
神奈川県「EVシェアリングモデル事業」



写真提供：神奈川県

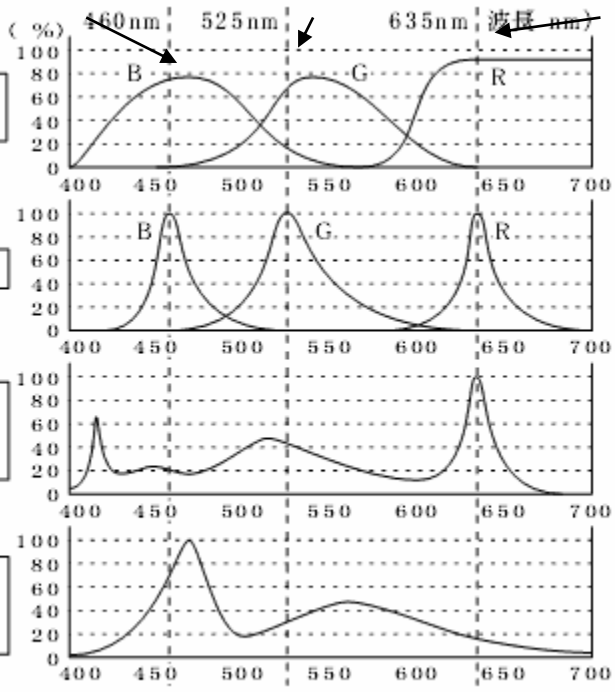
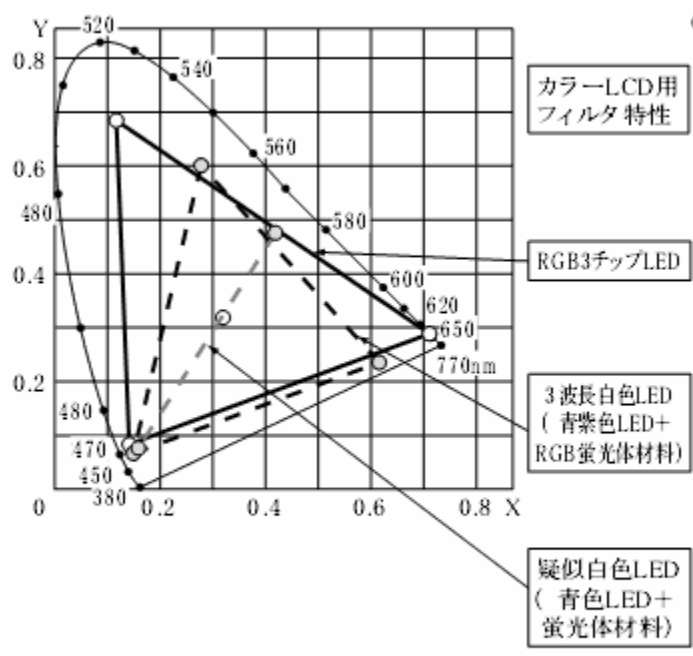


ネオジム磁石
Nd magnet

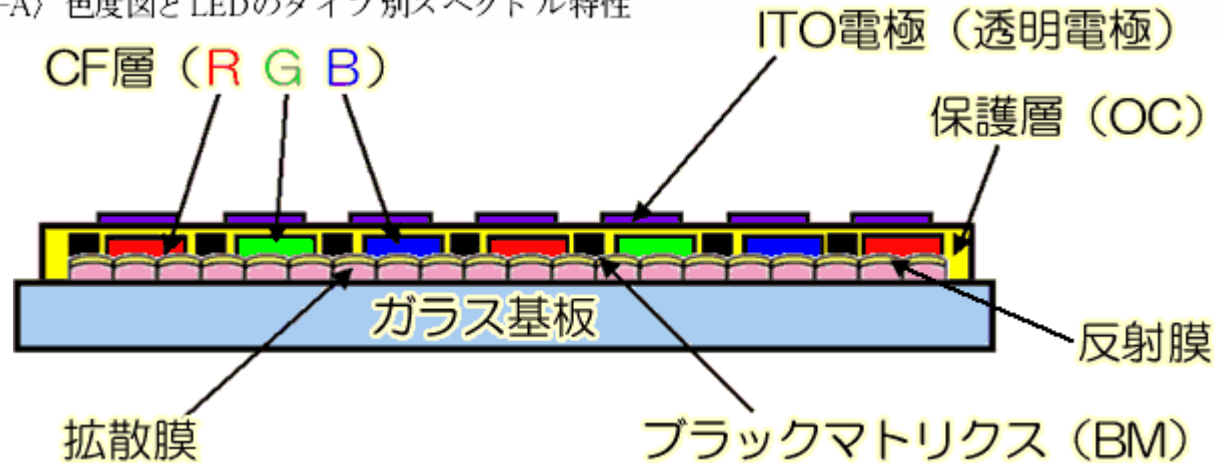


エアコン用DCモータ(東芝)

Eu Tb,La,Ce Y,Eu

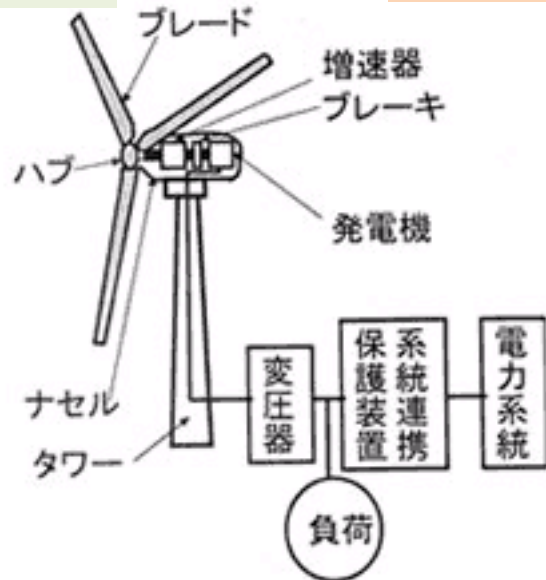


〈 図1-A 〉 色度図とLEDのタイプ別スペクトル特性

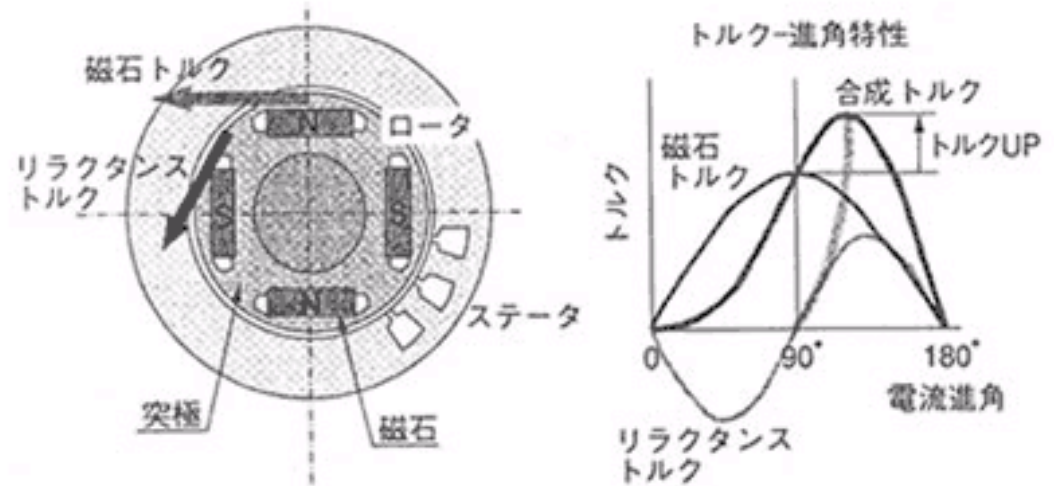


モーター

Ne, B, Dy, Sm, Co, Ni

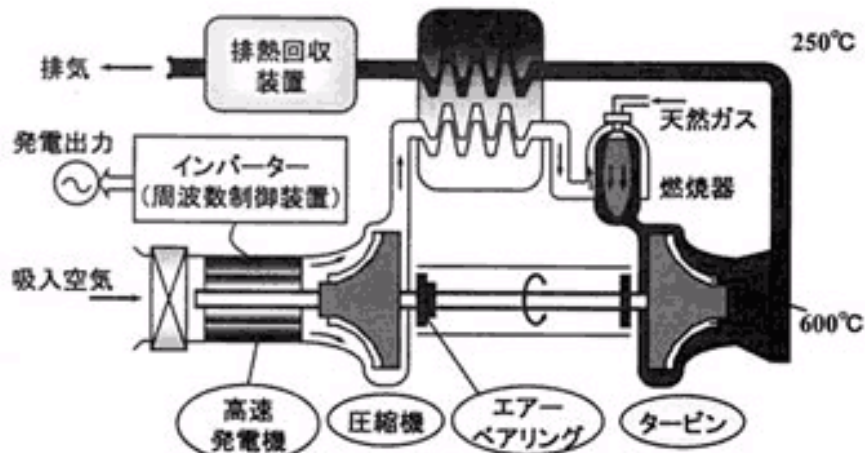


永久磁石発電機を使った風力発電



HEV

磁石トルクとリラクタンストルクを併用したプリウス用モーター



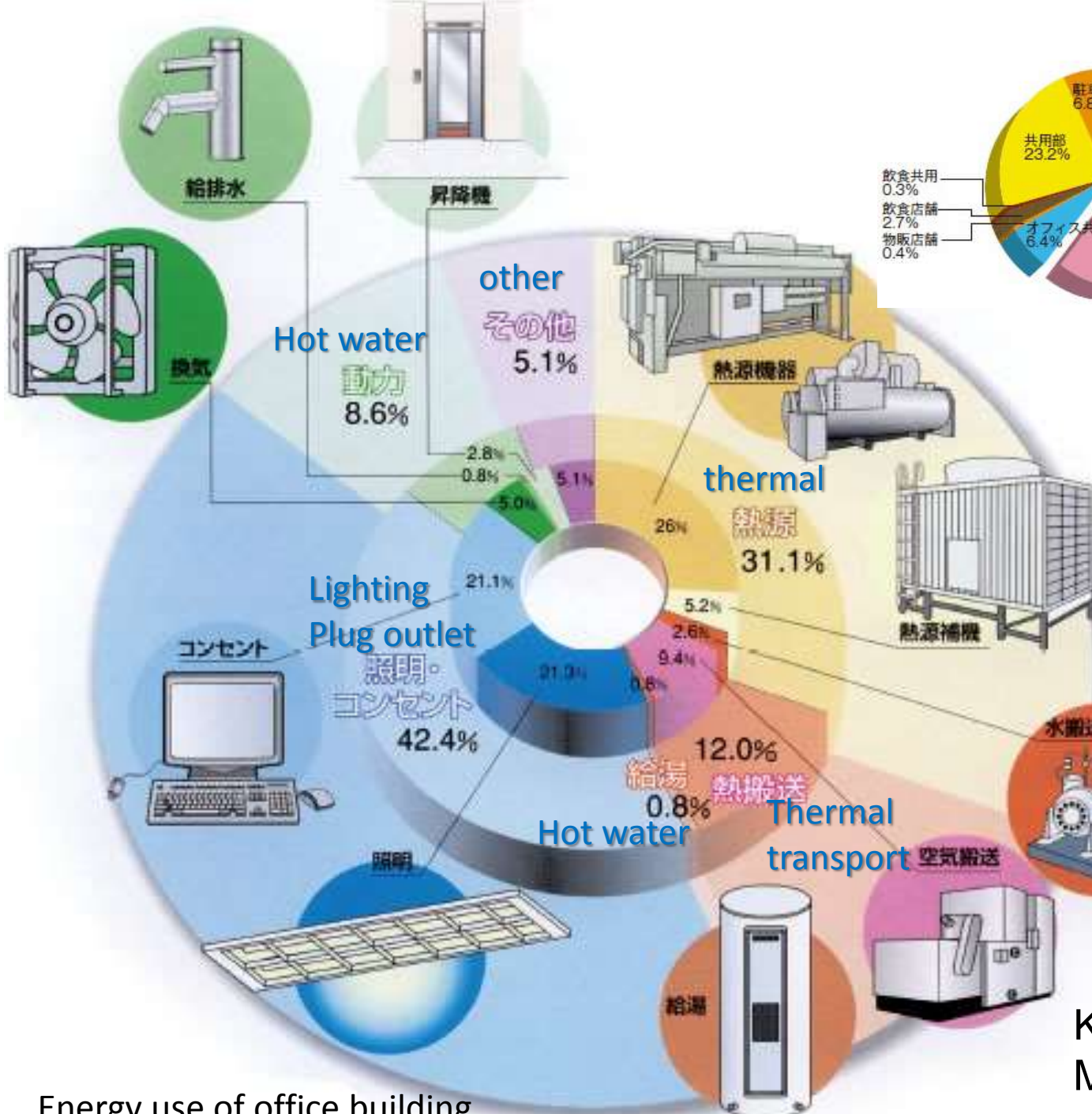
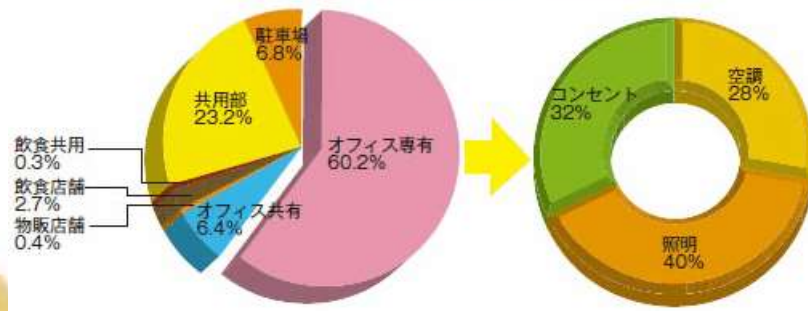
永久磁石発電機を使ったコジェネ発電システム



Compressor of Air conditioner

エアコン用DCモーター(東芝)

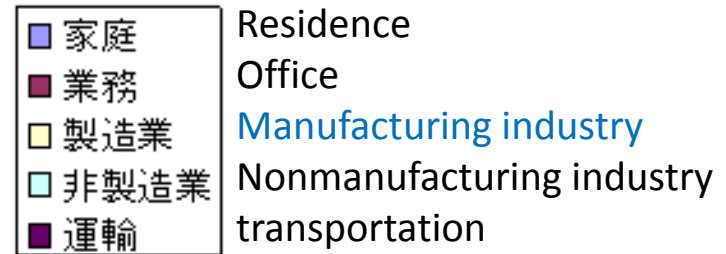
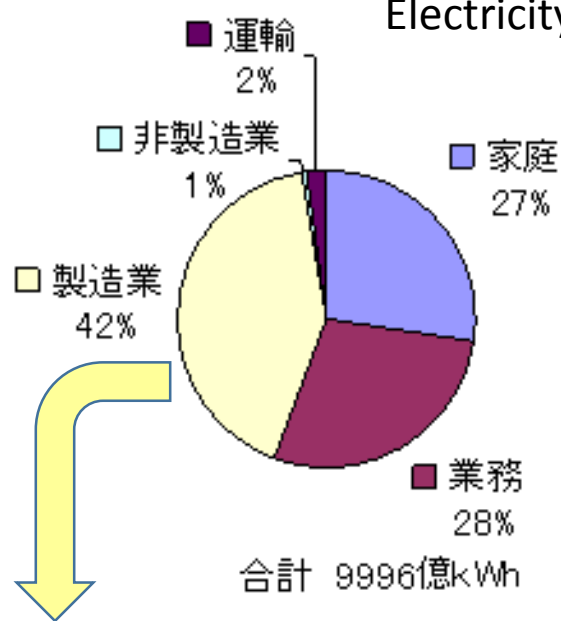
部門別エネルギー消費割合



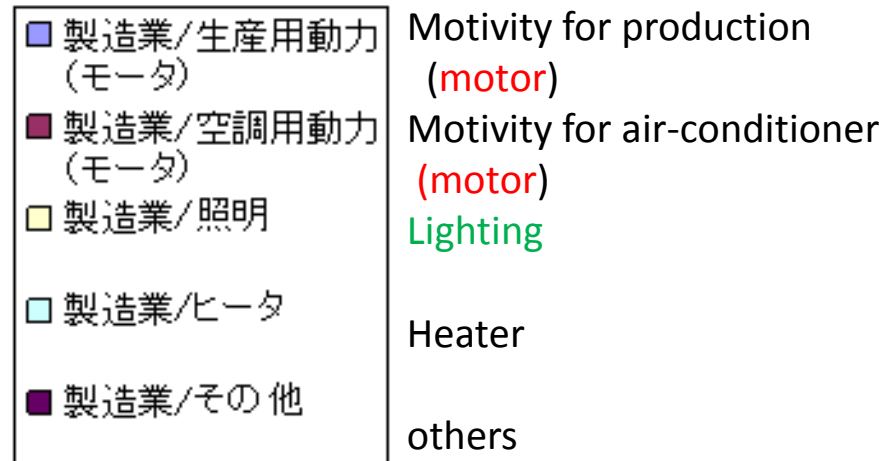
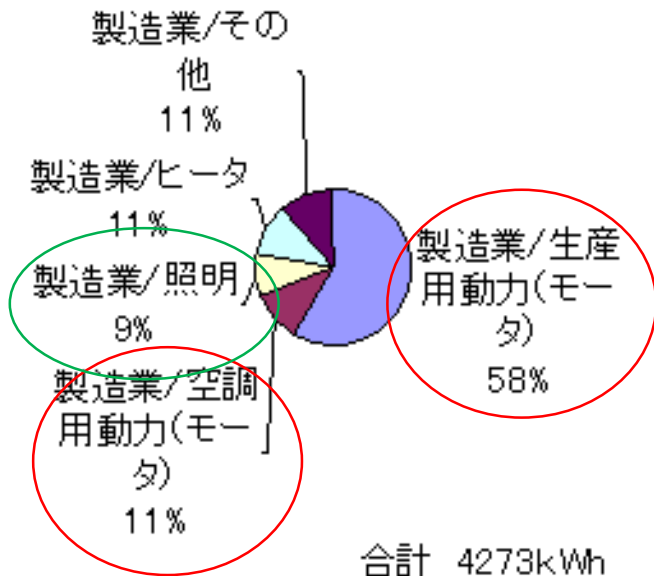
Key technologies are Motor and Lighting

Energy use of office building

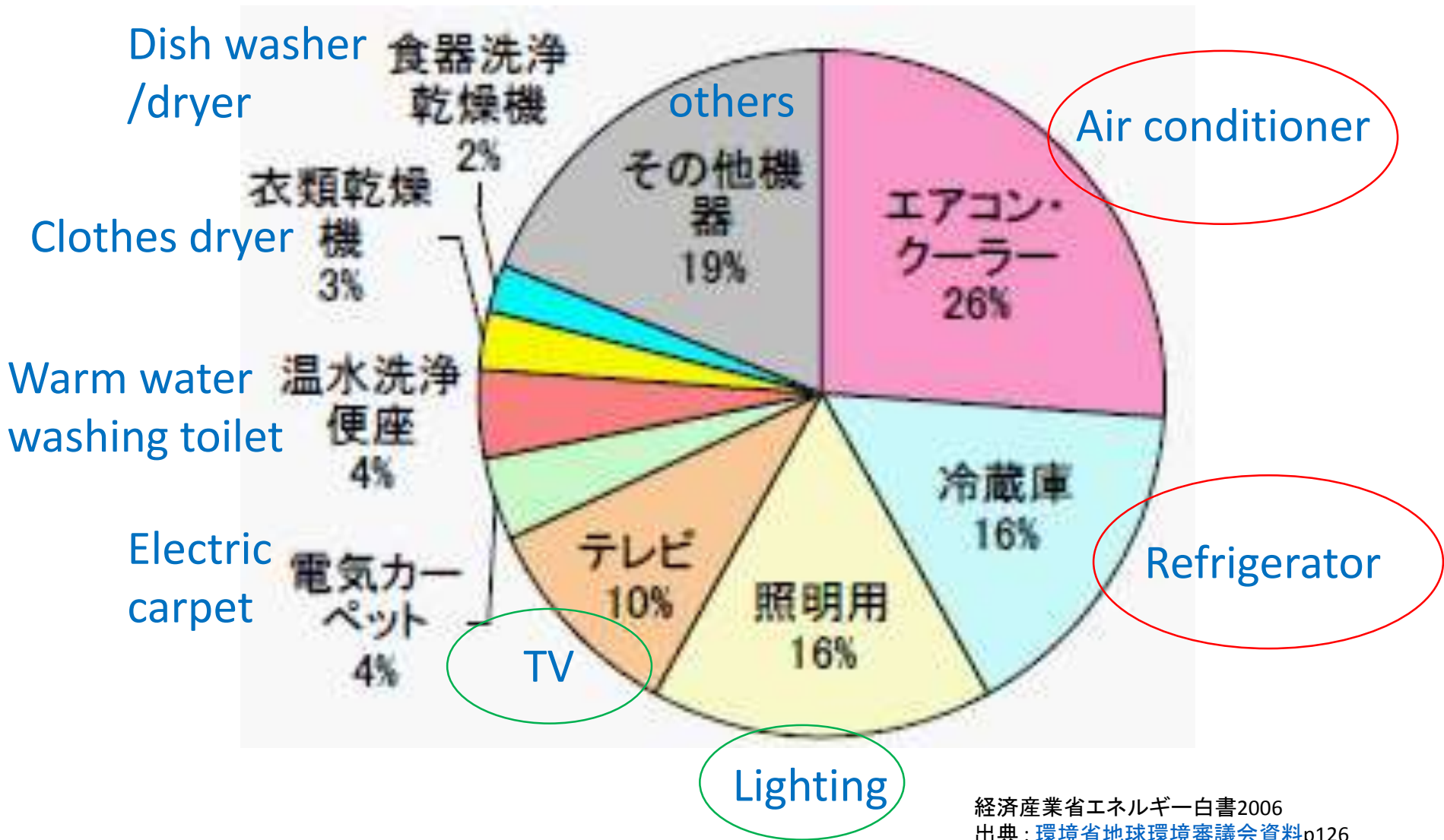
Electricity consumption in Japan



Electricity consumption of industry in Japan



Electricity consumption of residence in Japan

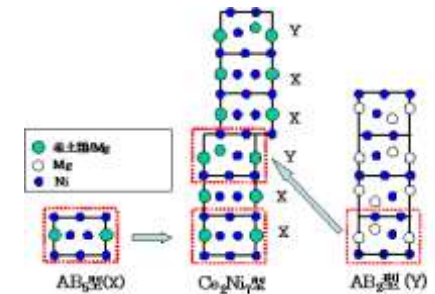


Material for Power Generation and Storage

Nd, Dy



La, Ce, Pr



La, Ce

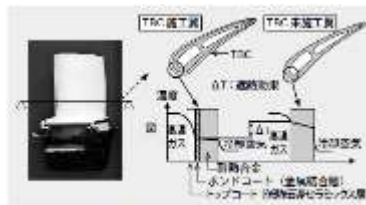
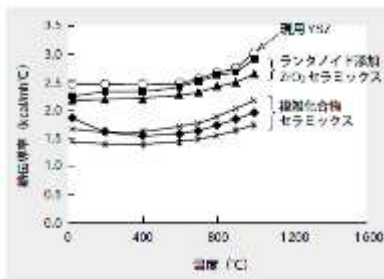


図12 TBCの断熱効果

Ce, Gd

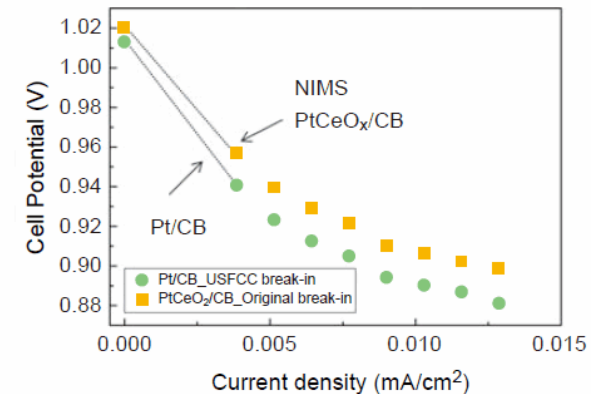
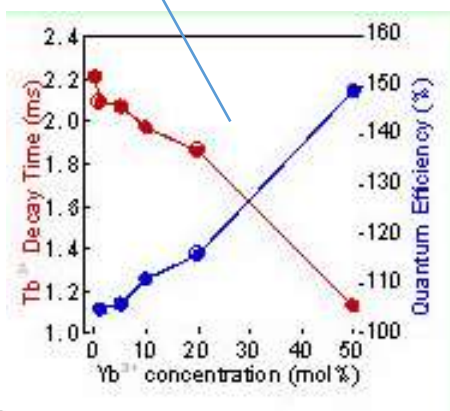
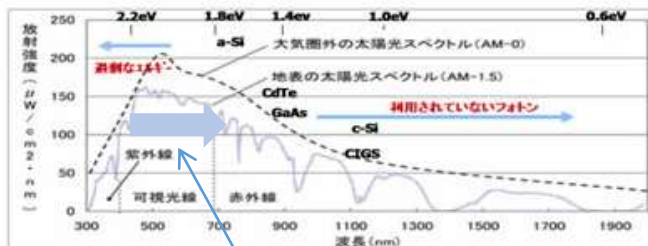
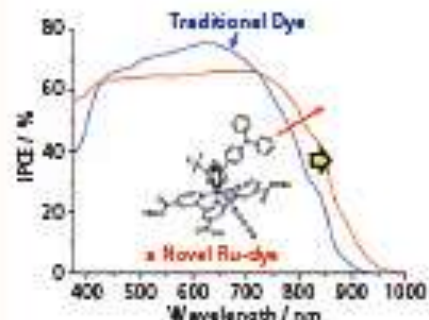
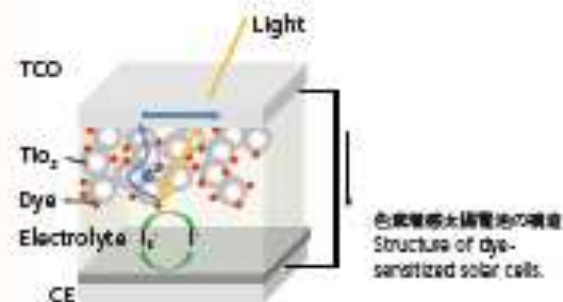


Fig.1 Comparison of generating performance using a NIMS-developed Pt-ceria cathode and an commercial Pt cathode.

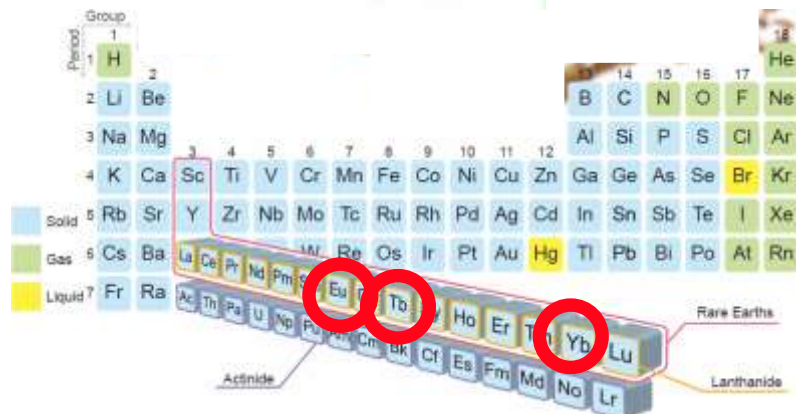
Next generation photovoltaics



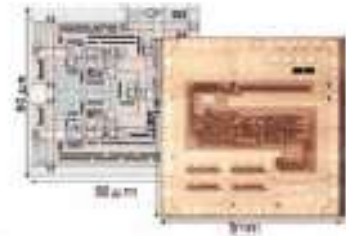
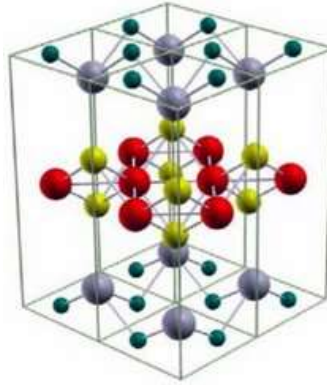
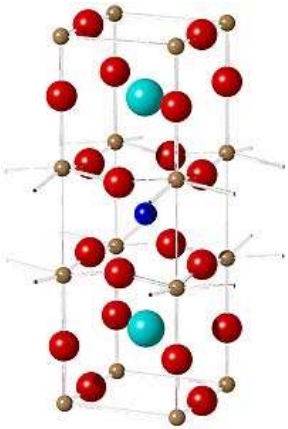
近赤外線領域に感度の高い色素の開発
Development of novel dyes with high near-infrared absorption



新規Ru増感色素とその色素を用いた太陽電池の光電流アクションスペクトル
Incident photon-to-current conversion efficiency (IPCE) spectra of dye-sensitized solar cells based on novel Ru-dyes.



Basic Research on Superconductive towards energy saving



Period	Group	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18														
1		H																		He													
2		Li	Be																	B	C	N	O	F	Ne								
3		Na	Mg	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar																								
4		K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr														
5		Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe														
6		Cs	Ba	La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
7		Fr	Ra	Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr															

Solid (blue), Gas (green), Liquid (yellow)
 Actinide (red line), Lanthanide (yellow line), Rare Earths (red line)



Next-Generation Refrigeration “Magnetic Refrigeration”

Magnetocaloric effect \rightarrow Magnetic refrigeration

Changes in temperature and heating value
(heat absorption/heat generation)
induced by external magnetic field.

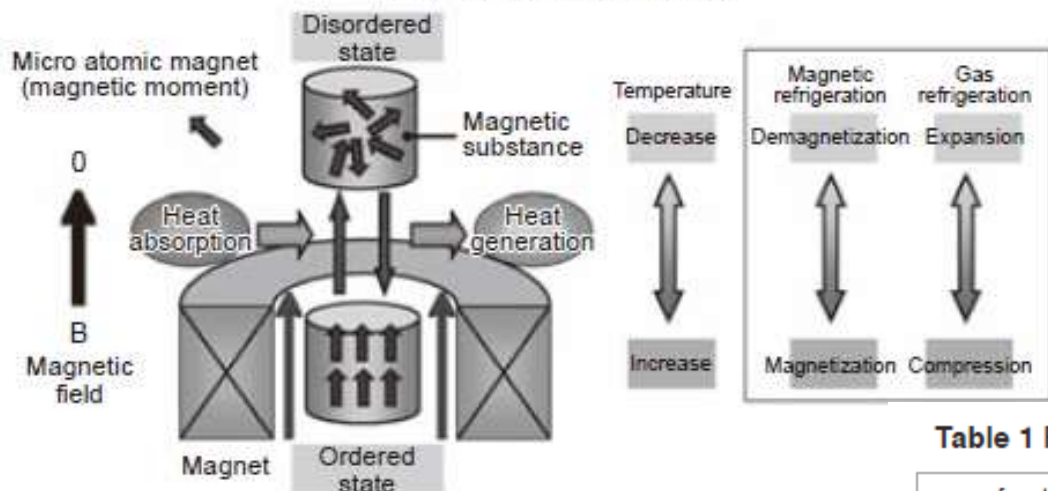


Fig.1 Principle of the magnetocaloric effect

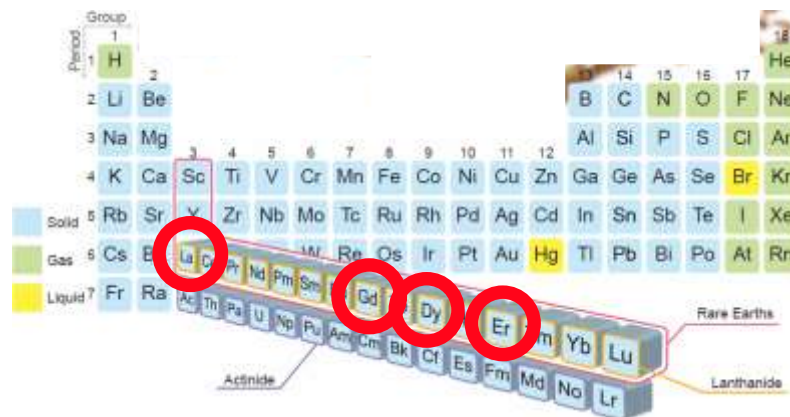


Table 1 Representative examples of magnetic refrigeration materials.

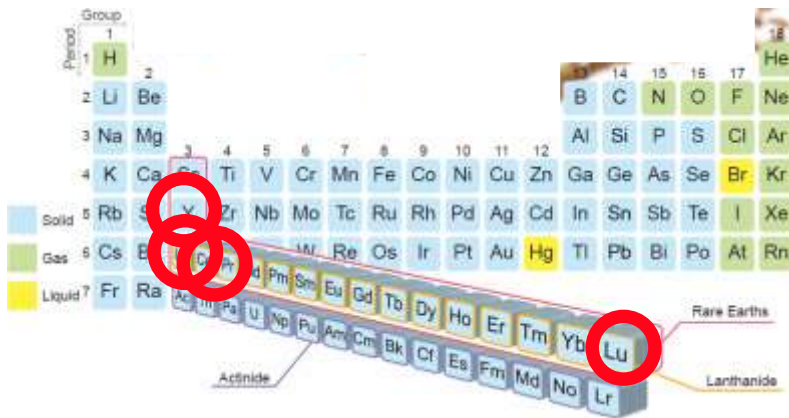
name of material (= Abbreviation)	Magnetic transition temperature	Refrigeration cycle
$\text{CrK}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{CPA}$	0.009	Camot
$\text{FeNH}_4(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{FAA}$	0.026	Camot
$\text{Gd}_3\text{Ga}_5\text{O}_{12} = \text{GGG}$	0.85*	Camot
$\text{Dy}_2\text{Al}_5\text{O}_{12} = \text{DAG}$	2.4	Camot
ErAl_2	12	AMR
GdPd	38	AMR
DyAl_2	63	AMR
GdNi_2	71	AMR
$\text{Gd}_5\text{Si}_{10.9}\text{Ge}_{3.1}$	120	AMR
$\text{Gd}_5\text{Si}_2\text{Ge}_2$	260	AMR
Gd	293	AMR
$\text{La}(\text{Fe}_x\text{Si}_{1-x})_{13}\text{Hy}$	280	AMR
MnAs	315	AMR

New materials enable more efficient use of thermal energy

Outokumpu steel name	International steel No		Typical chemical composition %						Maximum service temperature in dry air, °C
	EN	ASTM/UNS	C max	N	Cr	Ni	Si	Others	
4948	1.4948	304H	0.05	-	18.1	8.3	-	-	900
4878	1.4878	321H	0.05	-	17.3	9.1	-	Ti	900
153 MA™	1.4818	530415	0.05	0.15	18.5	9.5	1.3	Ce	1000
4828	1.4828	-	0.04	-	20	12	2	-	1000
4833	1.4833	3095	0.06	-	22.3	12.6	-	-	1000
253 MA*	1.4835	530615	0.09	0.17	21	11	1.6	Ce	1100
4841	1.4841	314	0.07	-	25	20	1.7	-	1100
4845	1.4845	3105	0.05	-	25	20	-	-	1125
353 MA*	1.4854	535315	0.05	0.17	25	35	1.3	Ce	1150



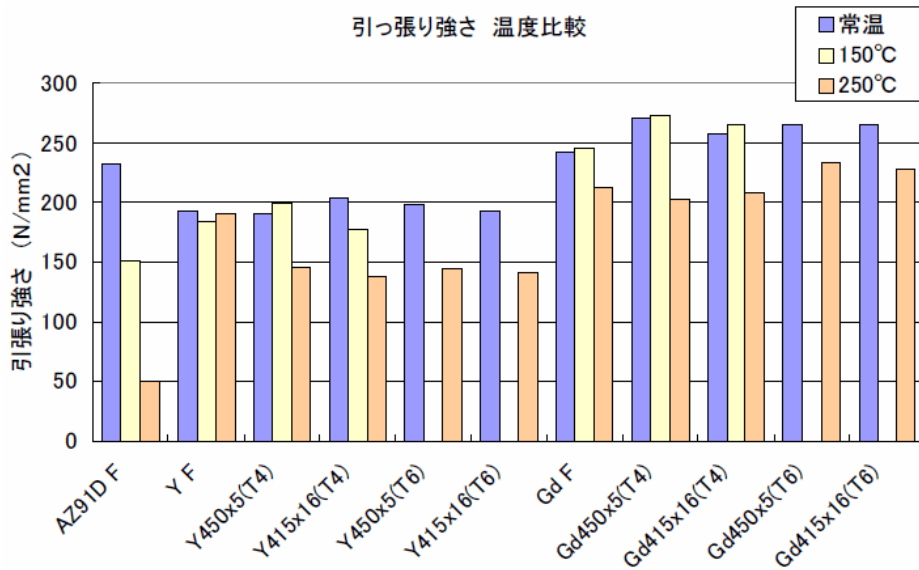
航空機用ジェットエンジン
Jet engine



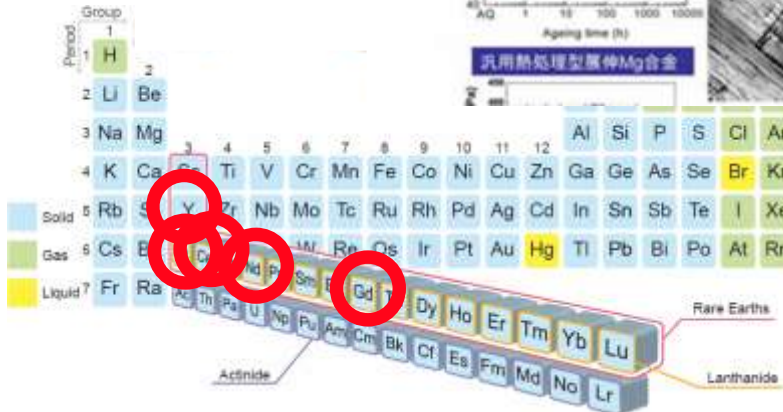
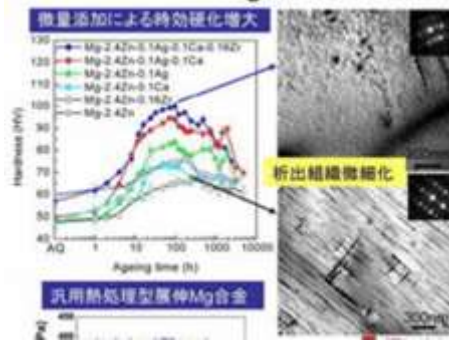
発電プラント
Power Plant

Light-weight high-performance hybrid materials

引っ張り強さ 温度比較



新しいコンセプトに基づく高信頼性自動車
New concept for high reliable automobiles



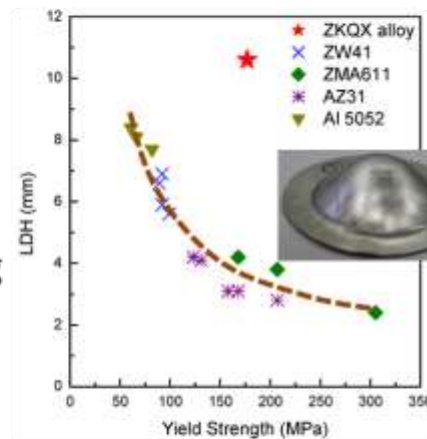
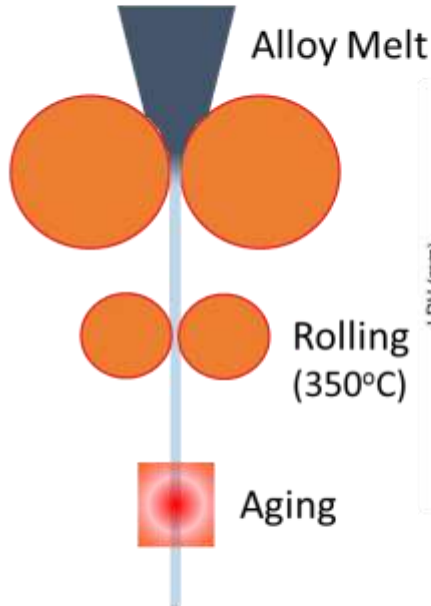
- 1 破壊前
before testing
- 2 破壊後 (従来)
after testing
(conventional hybrid)
- 3 破壊後 (開発品)
after testing
(developed hybrid)

界面性状制御により、破壊 (衝撃) エネルギー吸収能力の高い複合材料を開発
Composite materials with high fracture (impact) energy absorbing will be developed by the interface (strength/shapa, etc.) control.

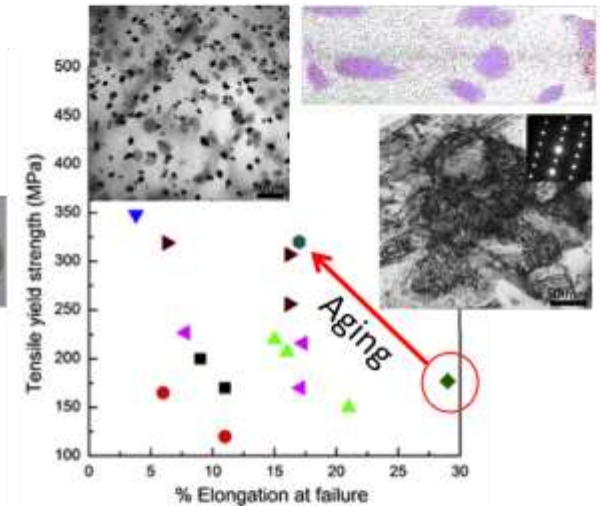
Breakthrough in RE-free Wrought Mg Alloy

Strip Casting for Cost Reduction

RE-free Low Cost Mg-Zn-Ca-Ag-Zr alloy



Excellent formability in Strip cast & rolled sheet



Achieving high strength by aging

Development of Industrially Viable Wrought Mg alloy

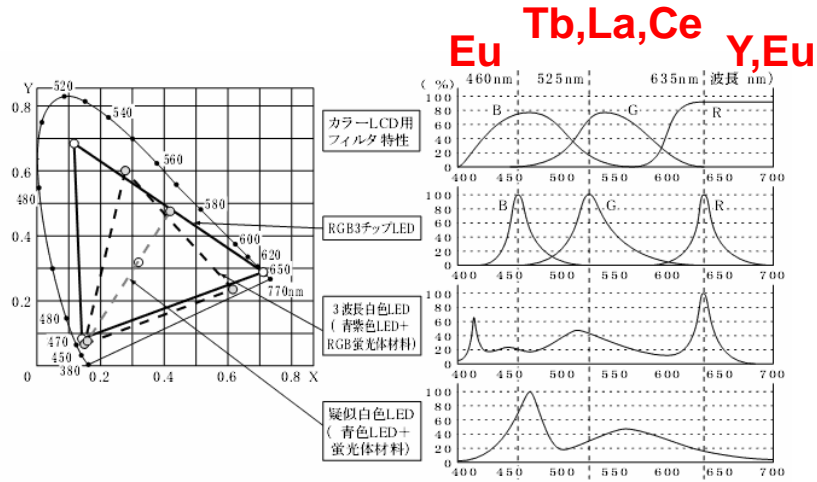
- **Excellent room temperature formability like Al alloys**
- **High strength achievable by nanostructure modification.**

Research Achievement

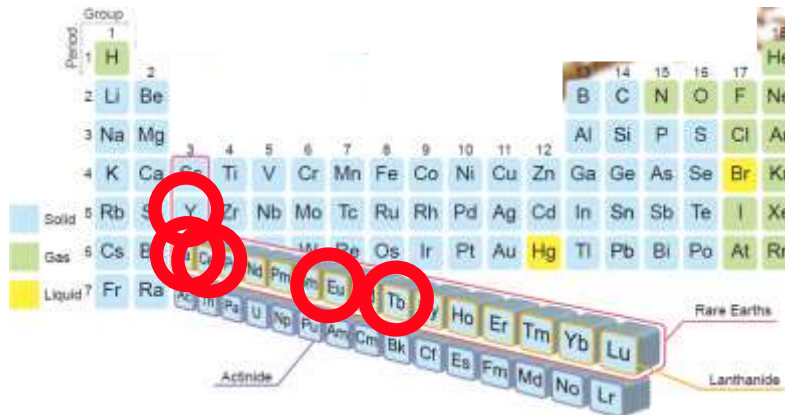
C. L. Mendis et al., Scripta Mater. 64 (2011) 335-338.

Fig. 7. Specific strength of developed alloys

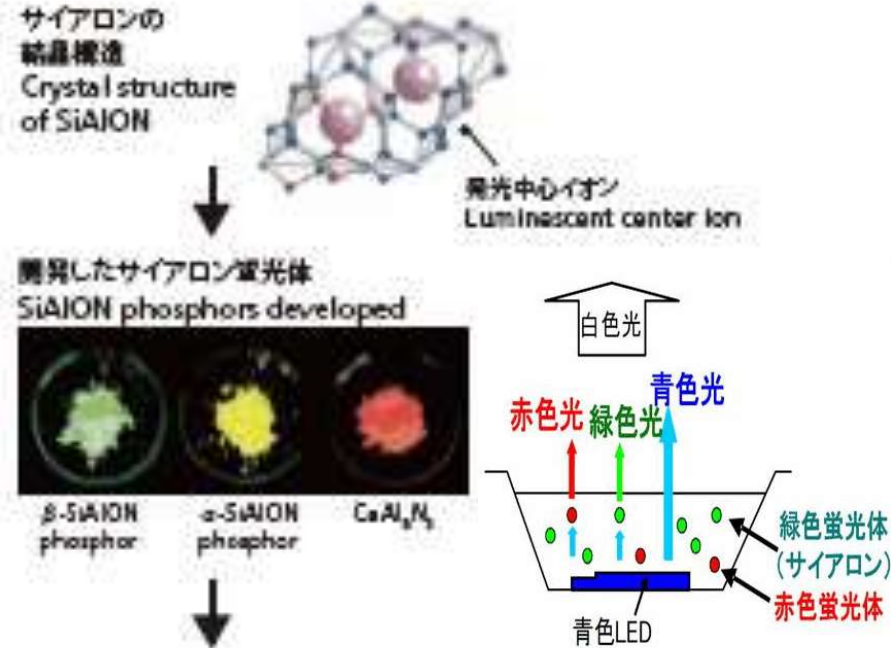
Wide-band-gap materials for optics and electronics



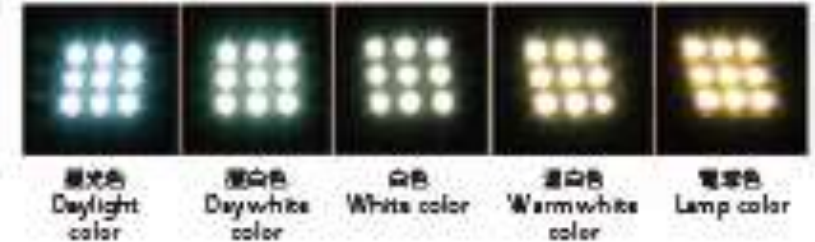
〈図1-A〉色度図とLEDのタイプ別スペクトル特性



サイアロン蛍光体の作製 Fabrication of SiAlON Phosphor



多彩な白色LED照明 Various white LED illuminations



高輝度・高効率サイアロン蛍光体の開発と応用 Development and application of high brightness, high efficiency SiAlON phosphor

Sialon Fluorescent Material with High Brightness and High Efficiency

Research
impact

Durable phosphors have been developed by introducing the luminescent ions such as Eu into the crystal of SiAlONs.

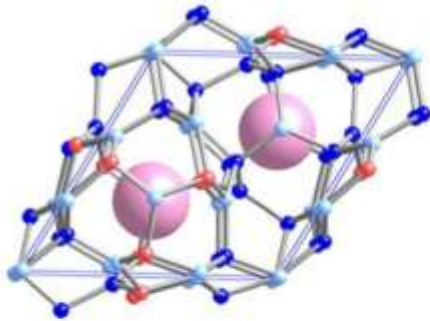


Fig.1 SiAlON crystals



Fig.2 SiAlON Phosphor

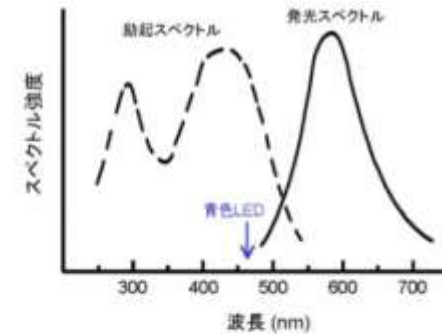


Fig. 3 Luminescence property

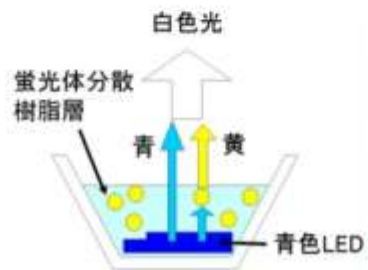
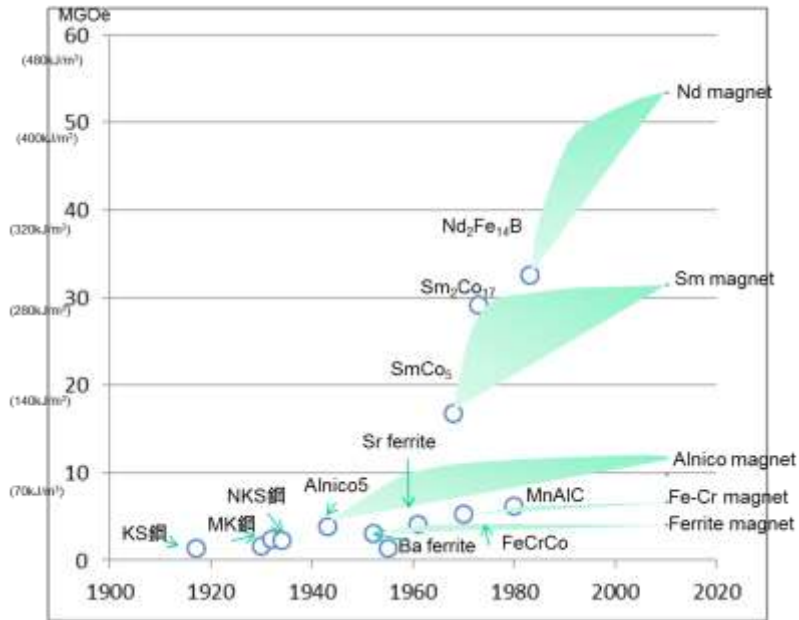


Fig.4 Principle of white LED

- Superior to durability and high temperature stability
- Excitation by blue LED

Efficient use of REE

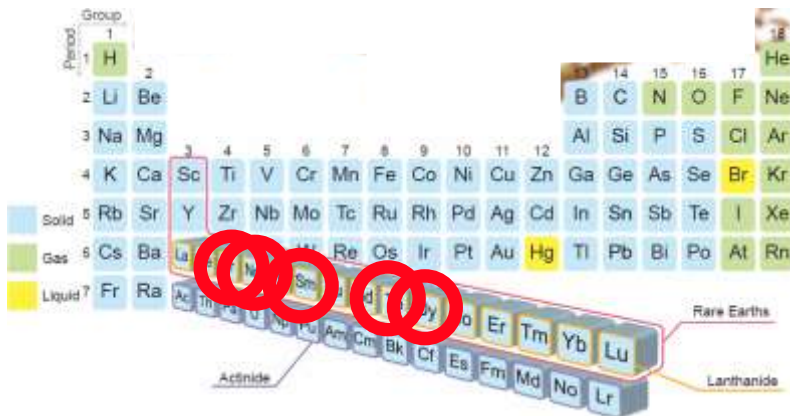
Energy efficient Magnetic Material



HV, EV 用磁性材料
Magnetic materials
for HV, EV



hybrid vehicles
electric vehicles
fuel cell vehicles

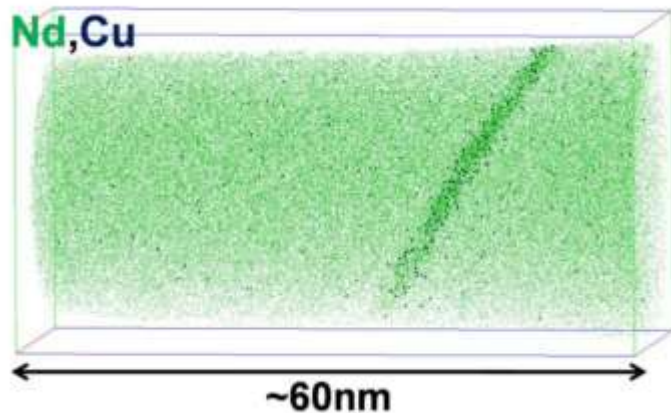


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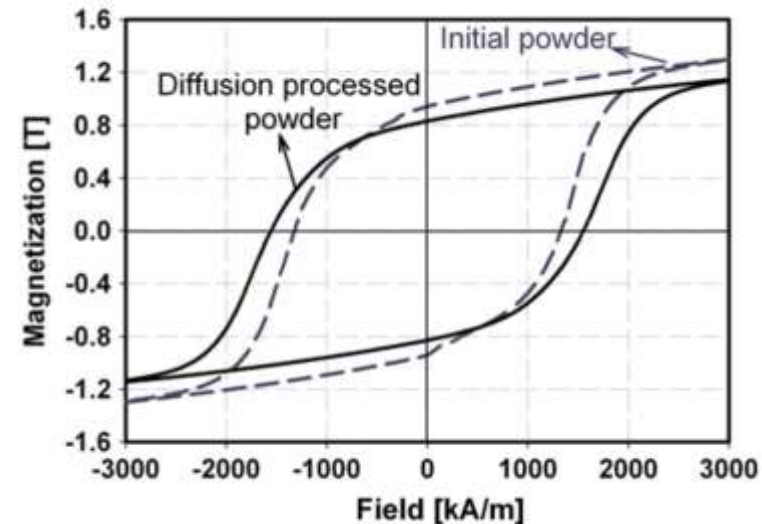
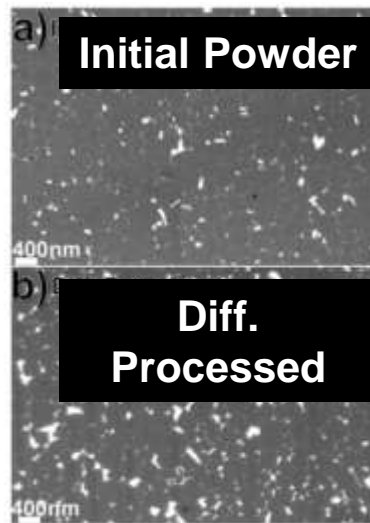
Neodymium Magnet without Dysprosium

Research
impact

- A method for increasing the coercivity of neodymium magnet powder without using dysprosium
- Thickening of the Nd-rich grain boundary phase could be attributed to the coercivity enhancement.



3DAP map of Nd and Cu of the diffusion processed sample



- The systematic nanostructure analysis of existing neodymium magnets using 3D Atom Probe reveals that the coercivity can be improved by decoupling the ferromagnetic interactions between the crystal grains.

REE free



G7 Ise-Shima Leaders' Declaration

G7 Ise-Shima Summit, 26-27 May 2016

Resource Efficiency and the 3Rs

Achieving the sustainable management and efficient use of resources is addressed in the 2030 Agenda and is crucial for the protection of the environment, climate and planet. Having in mind the importance of sustainable materials management and material cycle societies, we endorse the *Toyama Framework on Material Cycles*. This new framework provides a common vision and a guide for future actions to deepen our efforts on resource efficiency and the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle). We will continue to cooperate through the G7 Alliance on Resource Efficiency. We will work with business and other stakeholders to improve resource efficiency with the aim of also fostering innovation, competitiveness, economic growth and job creation. We encourage all countries to join us in these efforts.

We reaffirm our commitment to address marine litter, recognizing that our efforts on resource efficiency and the 3Rs also contribute to the prevention and reduction of marine litter, particularly plastic, from land-based sources. Furthermore, we support scientific work to enhance global ocean observation and assessment for the science-based management, conservation and sustainable use of marine resources.



The circular economy

Walter R. Stahel

23 March 2016

A new relationship with our goods and materials would save resources and energy and create local jobs, explains Walter R. Stahel.



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Gaming the gamers



Can a video game company tame toxic behaviour?

Scientists are helping to stop antisocial behaviour in the world's most popular online game. The next stop could be a kinder Internet.

Naoko Okamura and 243,150 others like this.



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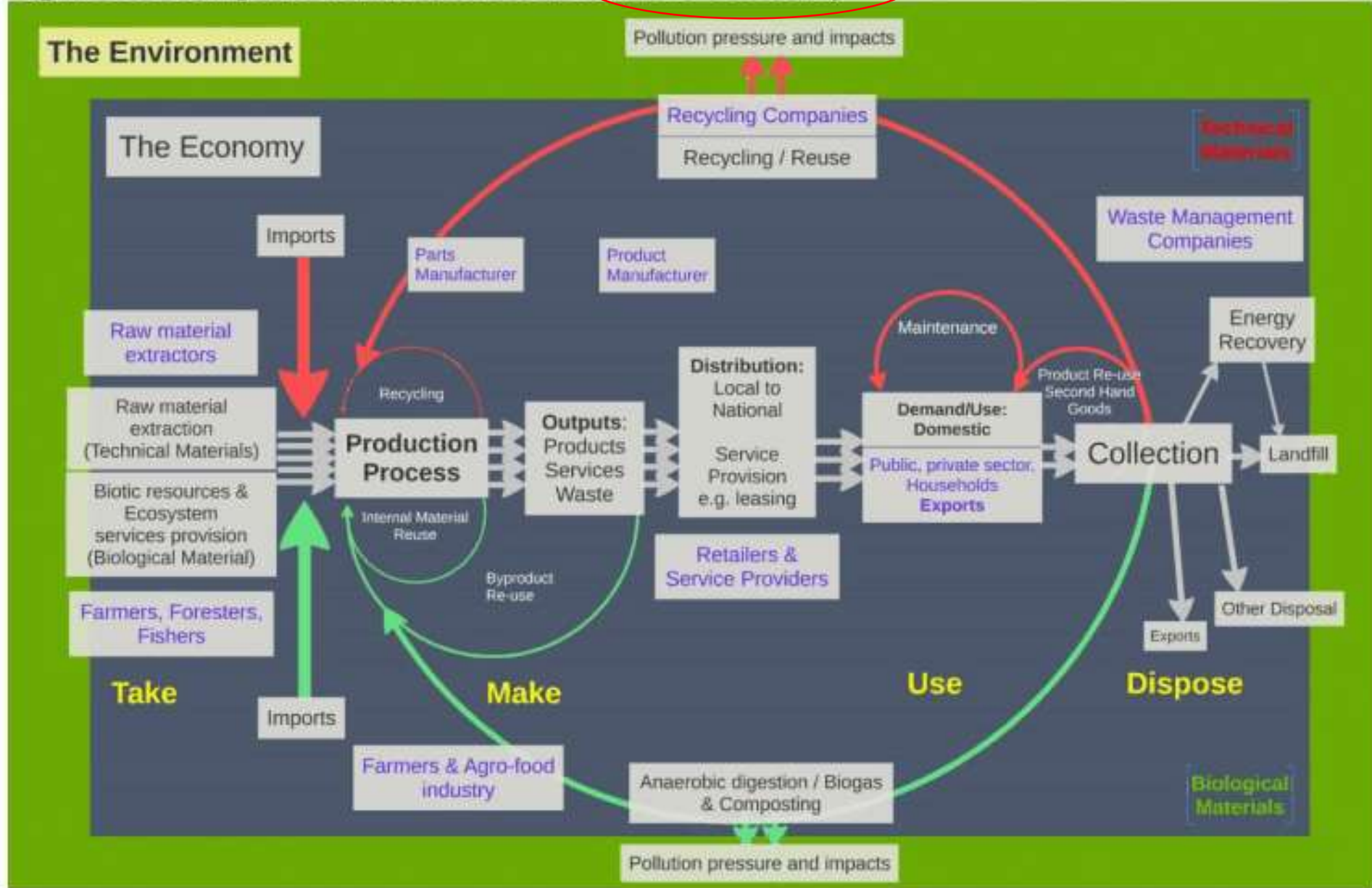


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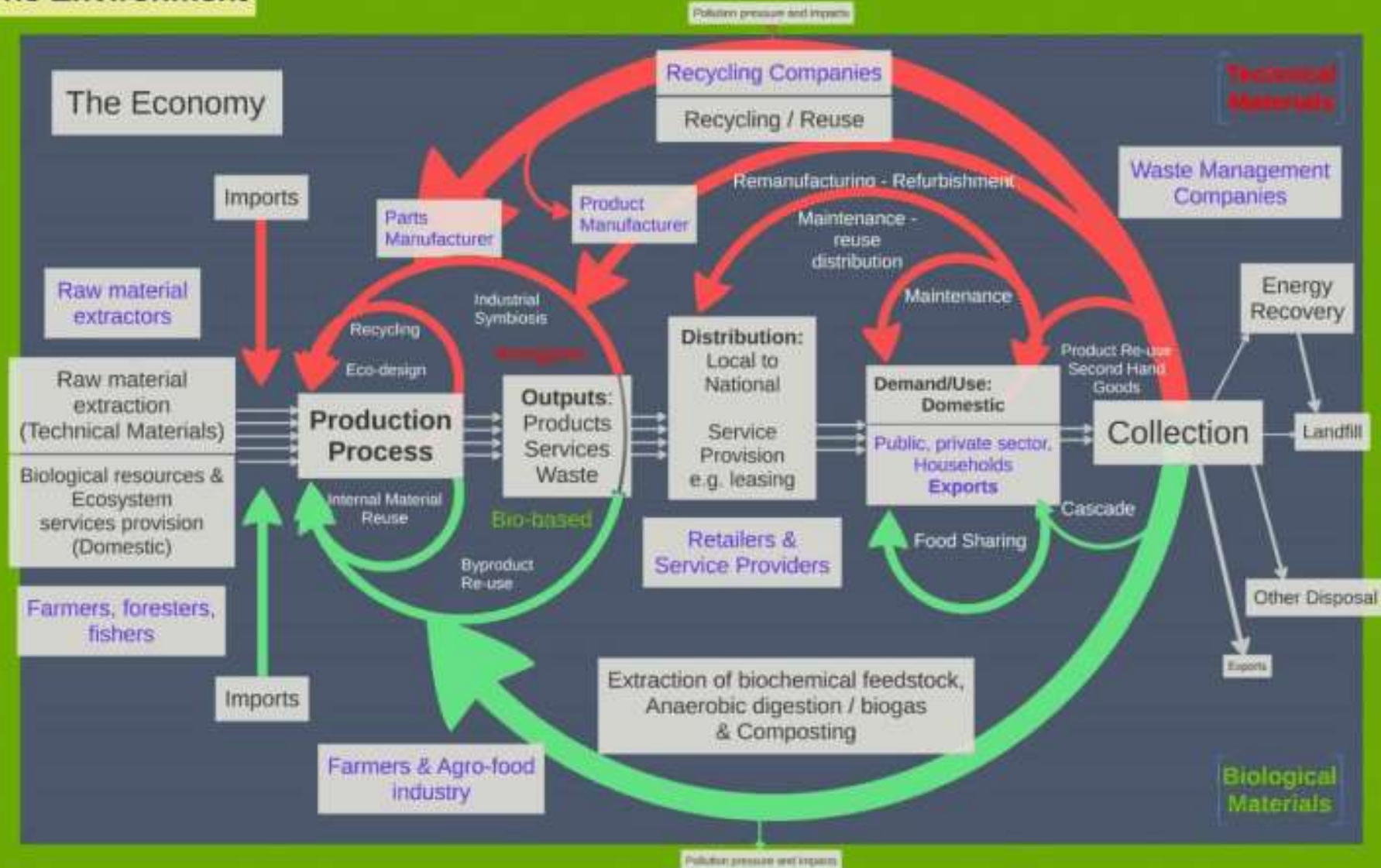
Figure E1: Simplified illustration of a linear economy



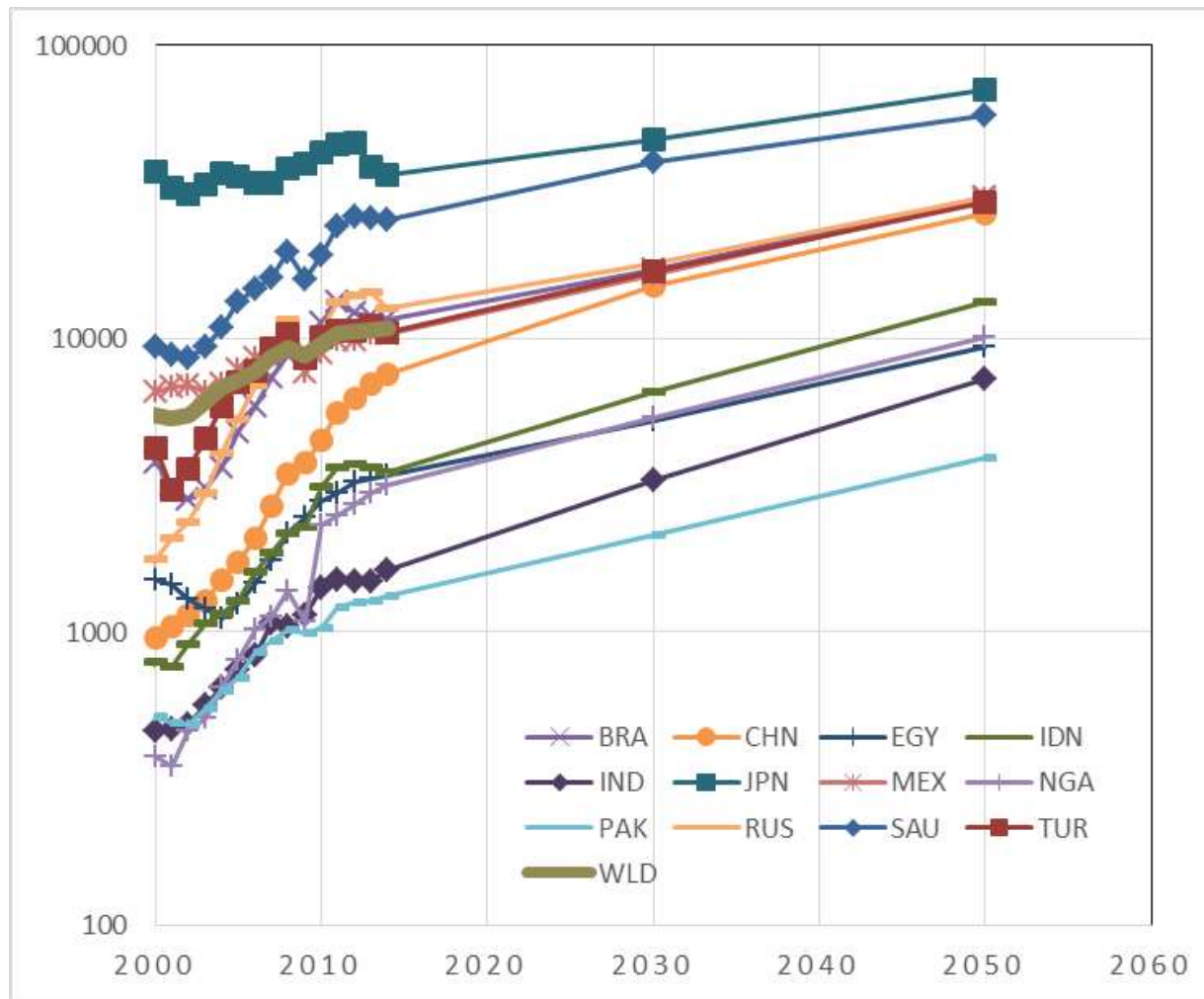
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Figure E2: Simplified illustration of a circular economy

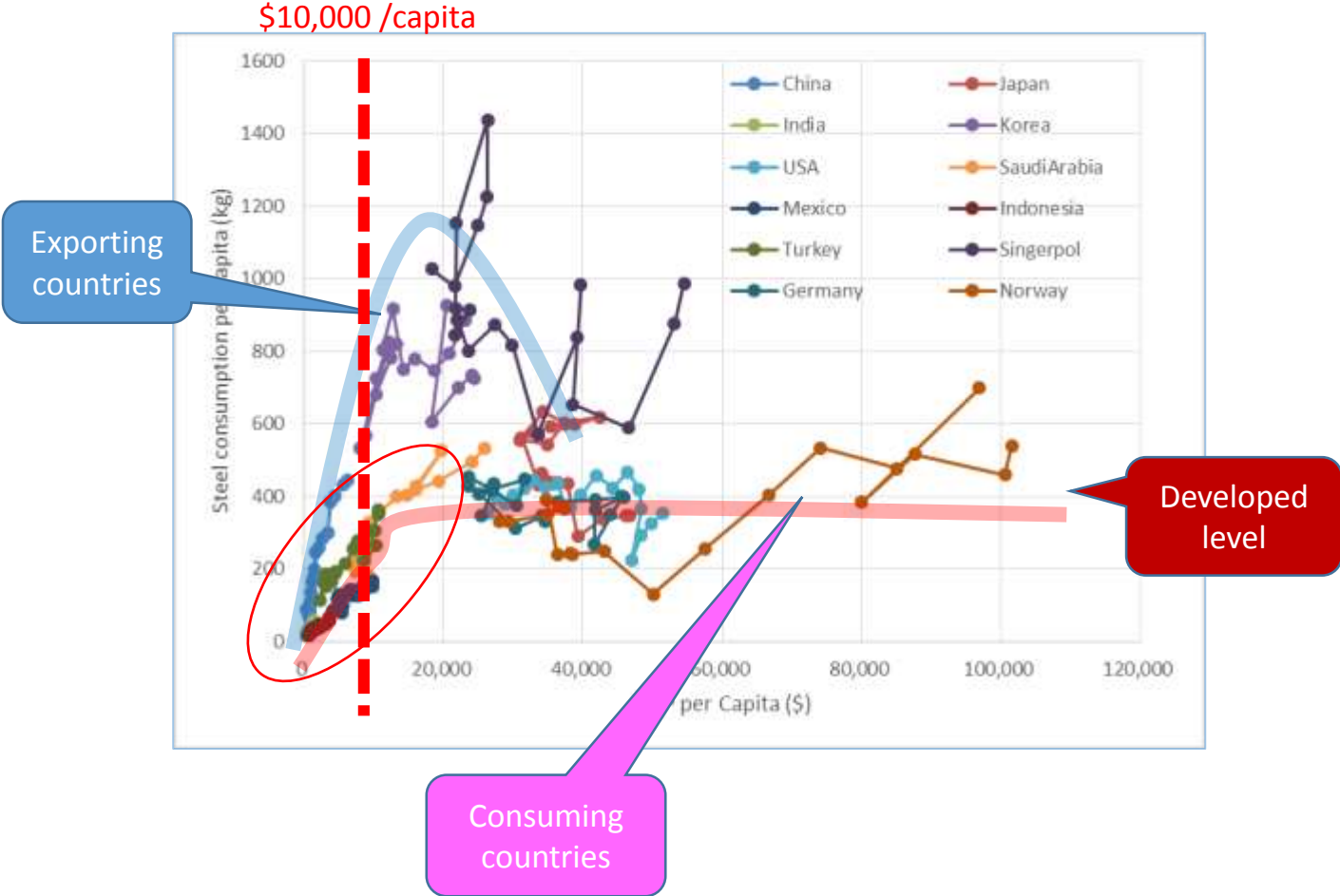
The Environment



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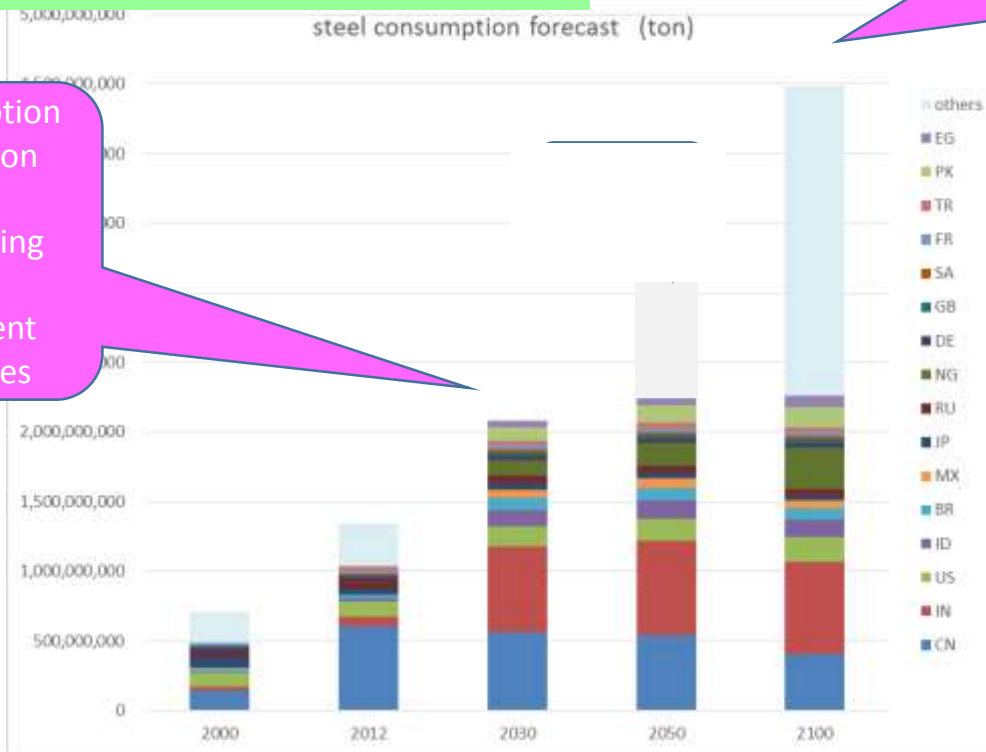
Fe consumption / capita v.s. GDP/ capita from 1994 to 2014



Rough forecast gets to be simpler,
 (population) x (developed consumption level)

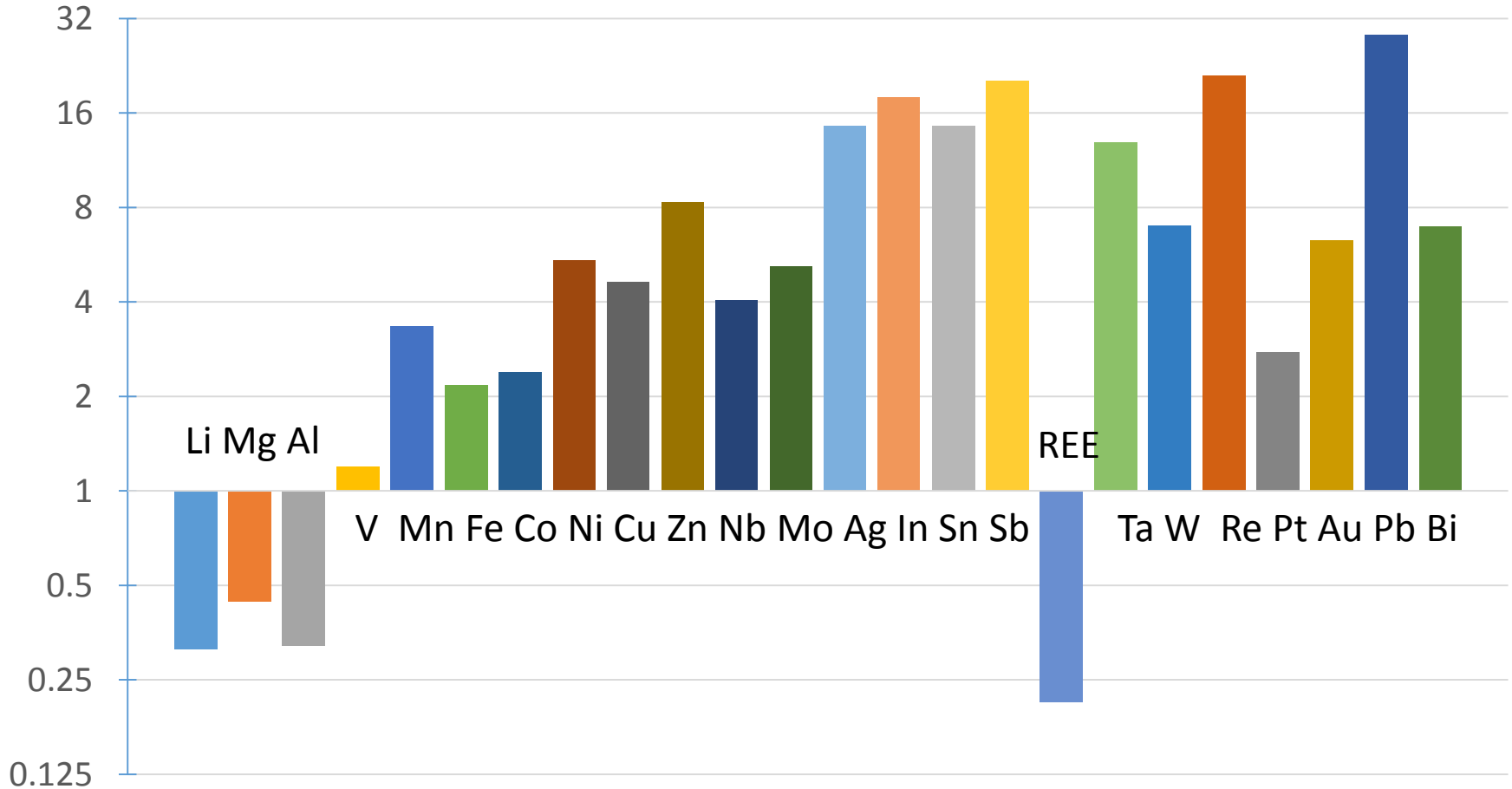
Consumption prediction with concerning only prepotent countries

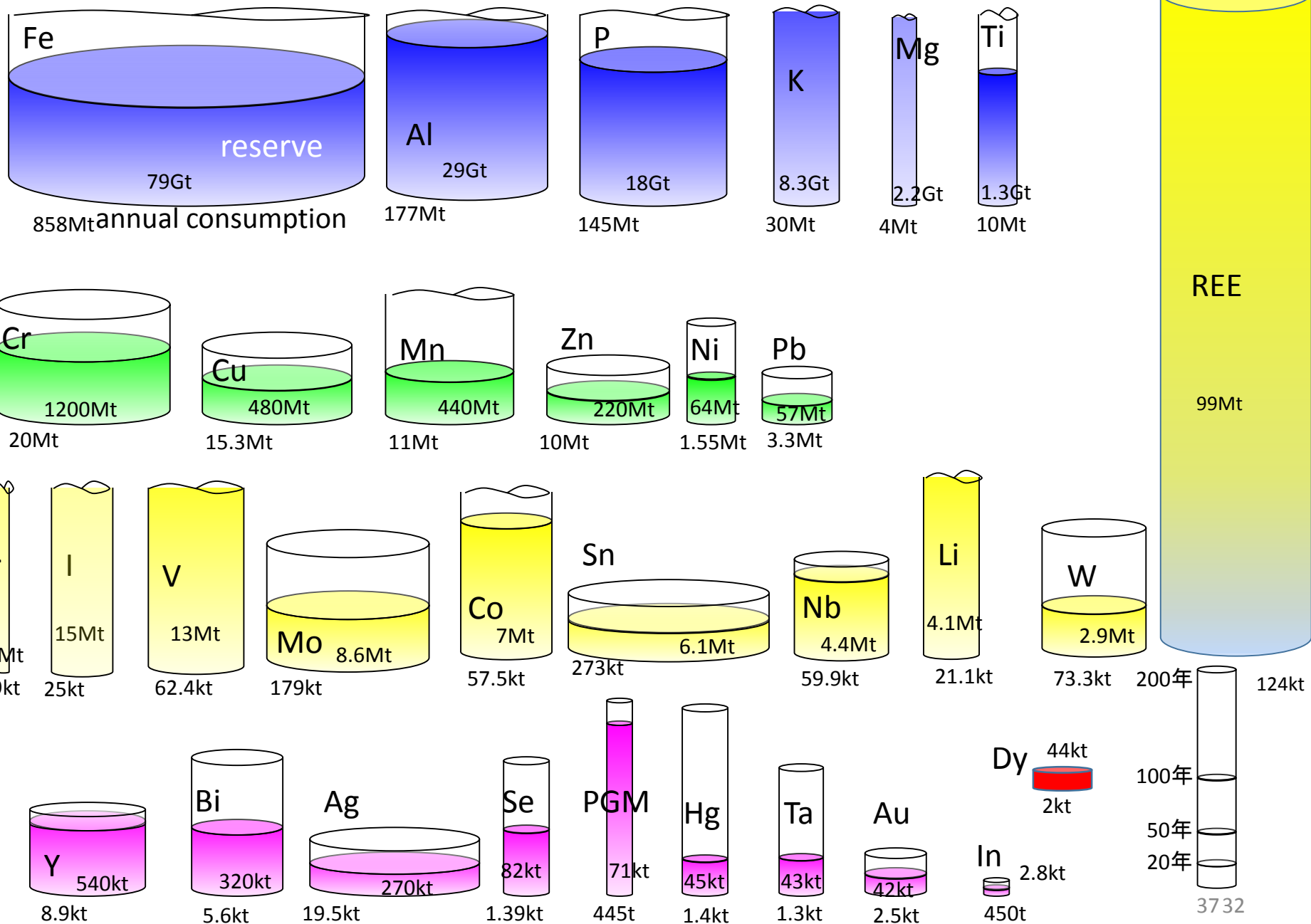
Every country reaches developed level of consumption per capita



metal	Fe
Consumption/year at 10Gperson world	4.5Gton/year
Reserve	87Gton

Estimated demand up to 2100 v.s. current reserve amount







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高度 2.13 km

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TABLE 4: Life cycle inventory and impact for the production of 1 kg RE oxides using price-based allocation.

RE oxide	Classification	Energy consumption		Water consumption, kL	Environmental impact	
		Electricity, MJ	Heat, MJ		GHG emissions, kg CO ₂ eq.	Resources depletion, MJ surplus
La ₂ O ₃	Light	26.13	34.39	12.82	11.16	12.52
CeO ₂	Light	24.12	31.74	11.83	10.30	11.56
Pr ₆ O ₁₁	Light	190.97	251.28	93.69	81.53	91.52
Nd ₂ O ₃	Light	154.78	203.67	75.94	66.09	74.18
Pm ₂ O ₃	Medium	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sm ₂ O ₃	Medium	37.95	62.16	22.74	17.73	20.59
Eu ₂ O ₃	Medium	3472.18	5686.98	2080.32	1622.04	1883.96
Gd ₂ O ₃	Heavy	121.12	198.38	72.57	56.58	65.72
Tb ₄ O ₇	Heavy	2826.83	4628.93	1718.02	1325.42	1538.92
Dy ₂ O ₃	Heavy	1574.95	2578.98	957.18	738.45	857.40
Ho ₂ O ₃	Heavy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Er ₂ O ₃	Heavy	124.38	203.67	75.59	58.32	67.71
Tm ₂ O ₃	Heavy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yb ₂ O ₃	Heavy	111.65	182.83	67.86	52.35	60.78
Lu ₂ O ₃	Heavy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sc ₂ O ₃	Heavy	11630.4	19044.8	7068.42	5453.15	6331.55
Y ₂ O ₃	Heavy	80.77	132.26	49.09	37.87	43.97

2.1.2 Roasting by vitriol

- Advantages:

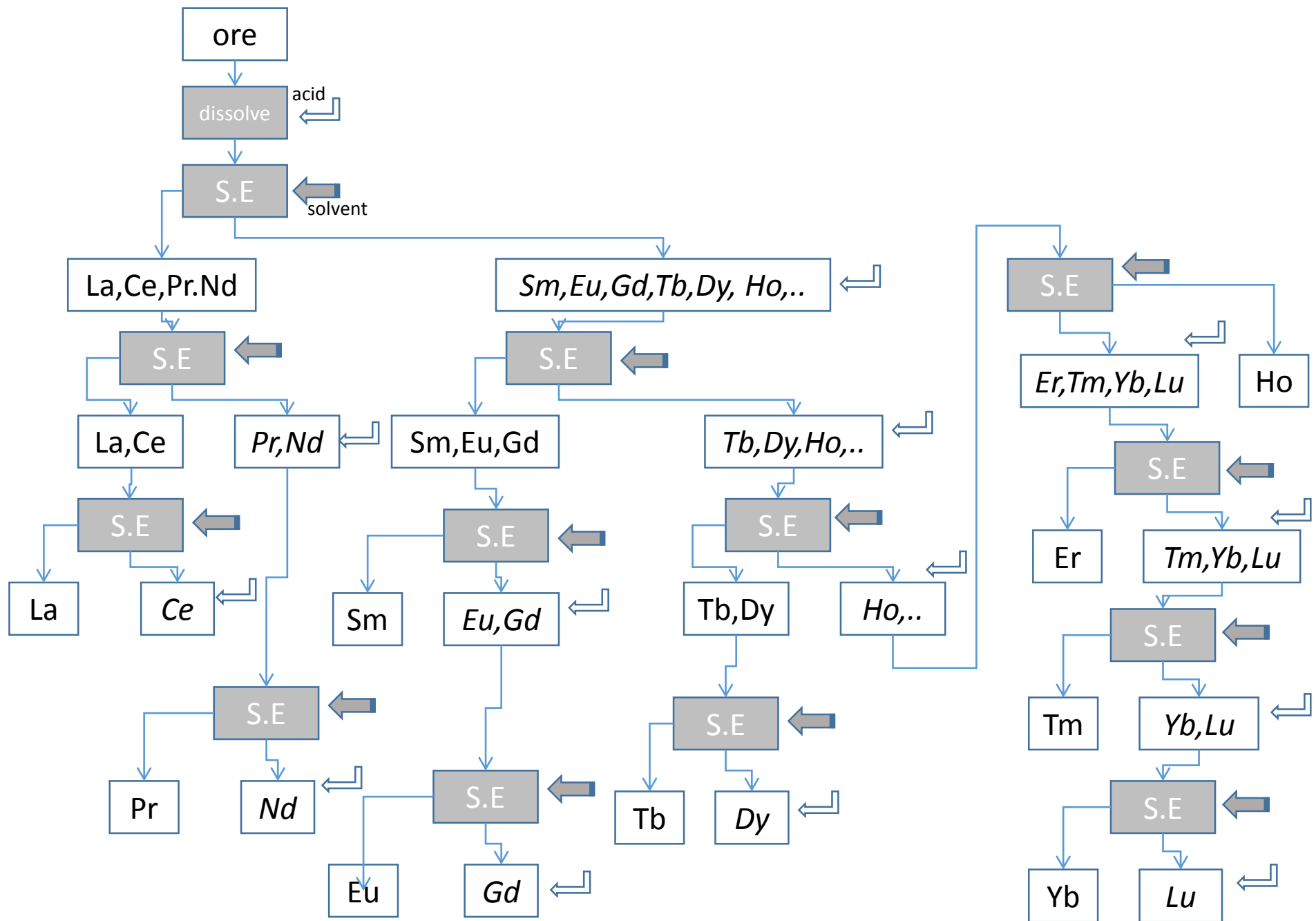
- ✓ easy to be produced in a large scale;
- ✓ low cost;
- ✓ high recovery rates of REs

- Disadvantages: [7]

- ✓ radioactive contamination caused by Th;
- ✓ unrecoverable of Th which lies in slag;
- ✓ hard to recovery the exhaust gas and slag contained Fl

- Treatment on solution of RE sulphates:

- ✓ extraction and stripping by P204;
 - High recovery rate and production quality; but high investment
- ✓ deposition by ammonium carbonate; (widely used)
 - Low investment; but high running cost and pollution



2.4 RE metals and alloy

- The main preparing techniques of RE metals and alloy:

- ✓ molten salt electrolysis
- ✓ metallothermic reduction
- ✓ fire refining

(1) Molten salt electrolysis:

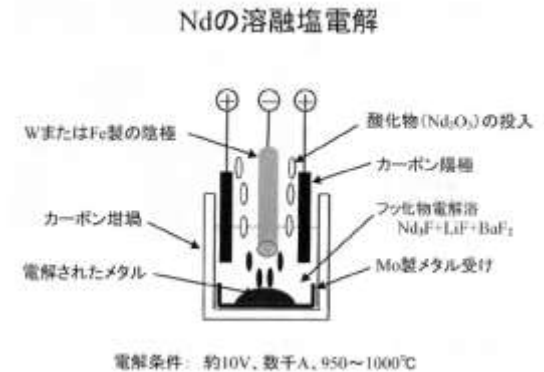
a) Oxide electrolysis:

- Taking $\text{RF}_3\text{-LiF}$ as molten salt, graphite as anode and tungsten (W) bar as cathode, RE oxides were electrolyzed at $980\sim 1050\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ to obtain liquid RE metals.
- This method was widely utilized to prepare La, Ce, Pr, Nd, PrNd, DyFe and GdFe.

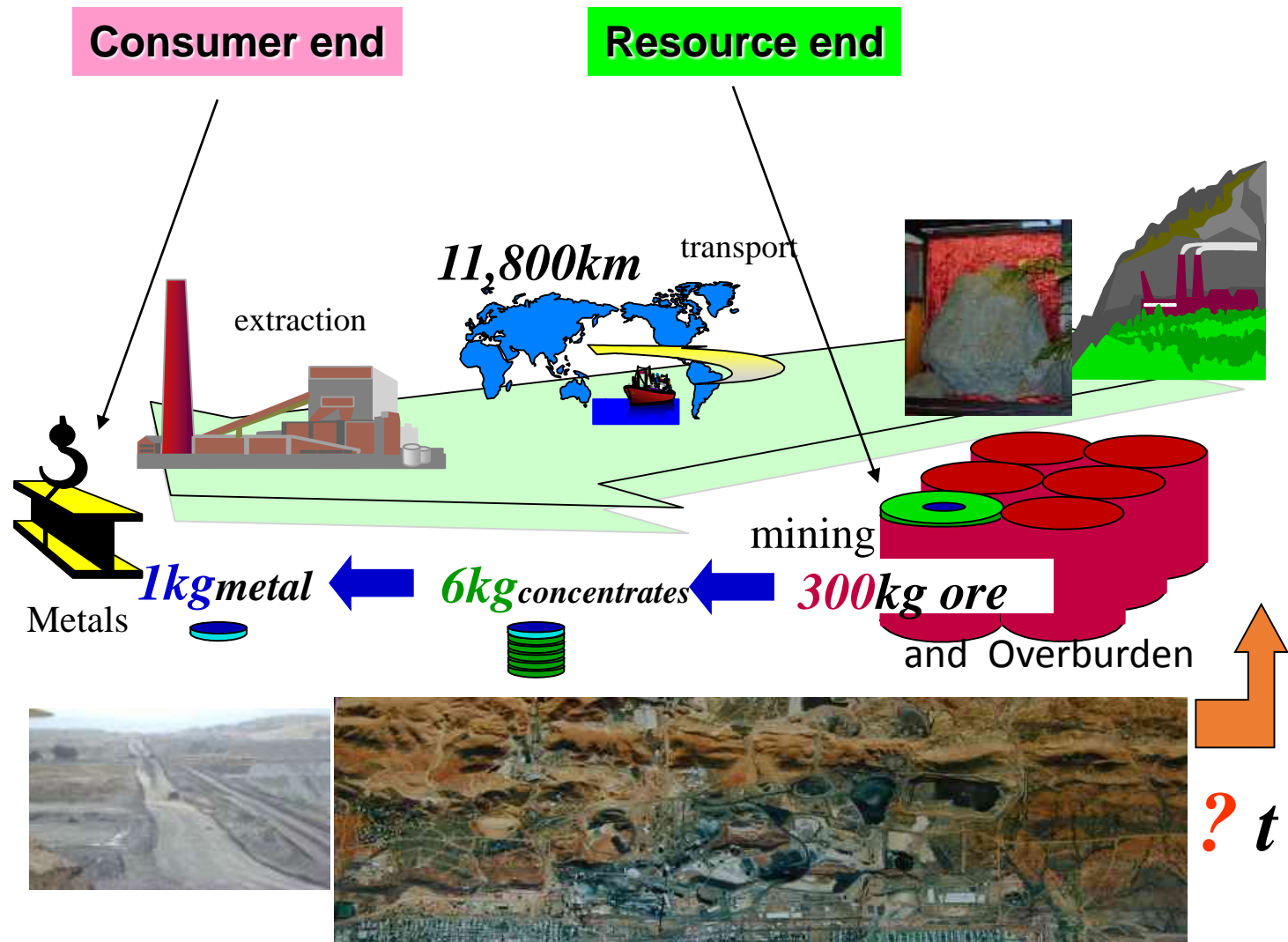
b) Chloride molten salt electrolysis:

- Taking $\text{RCl}_3\text{-KCl}$ as molten salt, graphitic cell as anode and tungsten (W) bar or molybdenum (Mo) bar as cathode, RE oxides were electrolyzed at $980\sim 1050\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ to obtain liquid RE metals.
- This method was mainly used to prepare RE alloy with low Mg/Fe and high La/Ce.
- Disadvantage: chlorine pollution

14kWh/kg-REE



Resource(-end)-view weight



TMR: Total Materials Requirements, or Ecological rucksacks

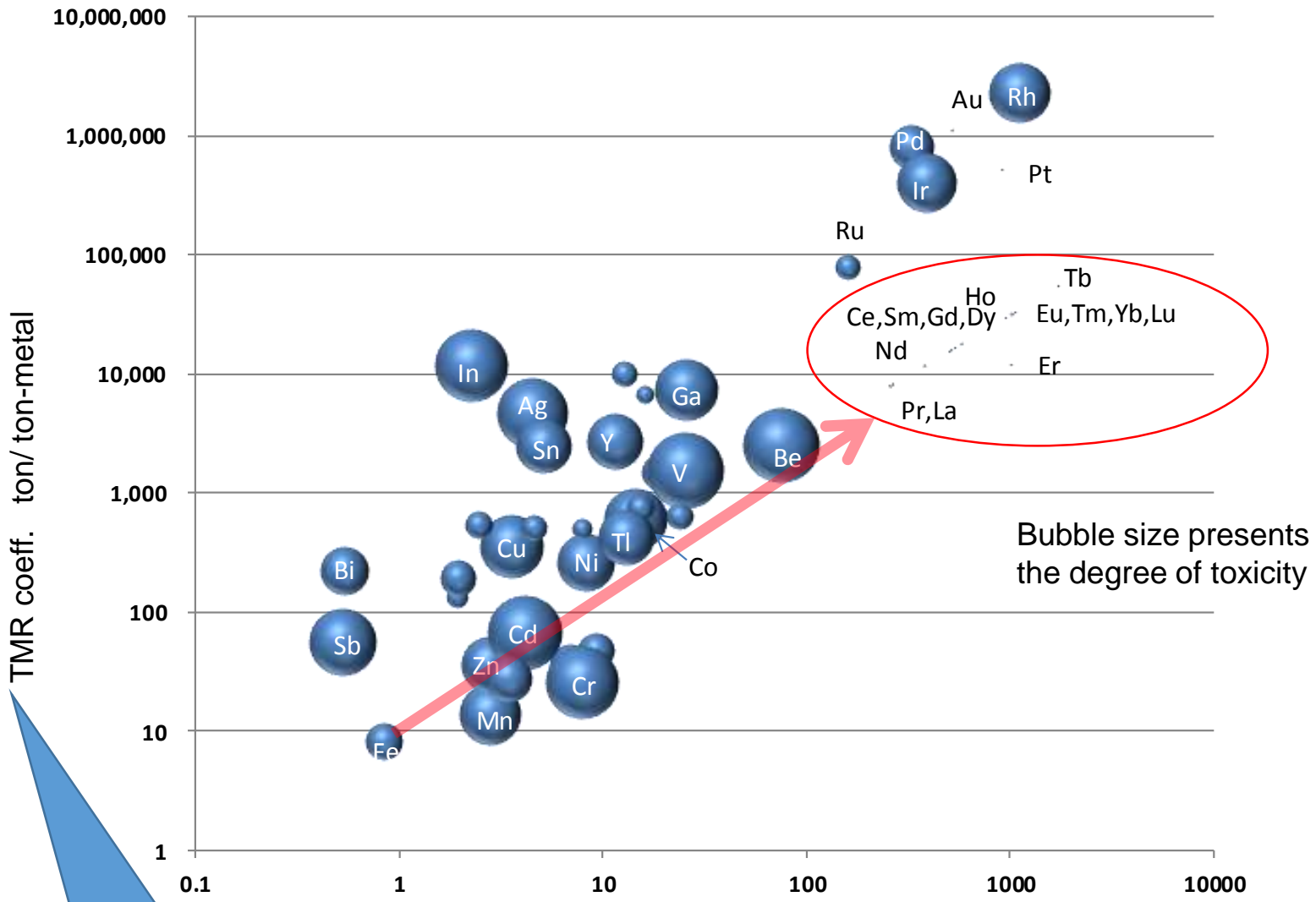
Ecological Rucksack

3g platinum ring



More than 1.5ton ecological rucksack

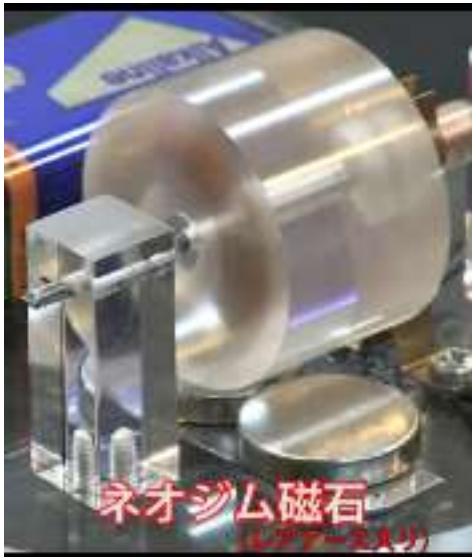
1kg R.E.E. is nearly equivalent to 1 ton Fe by environmental view



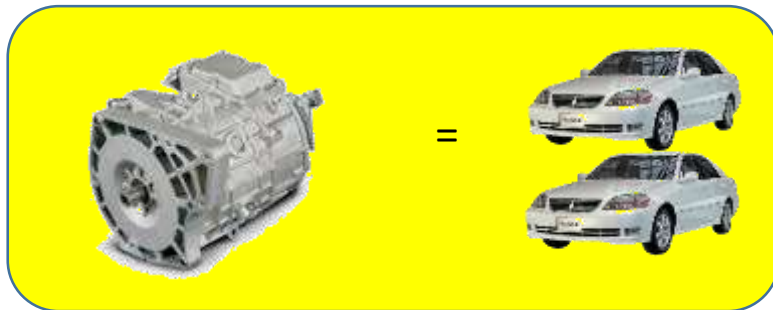
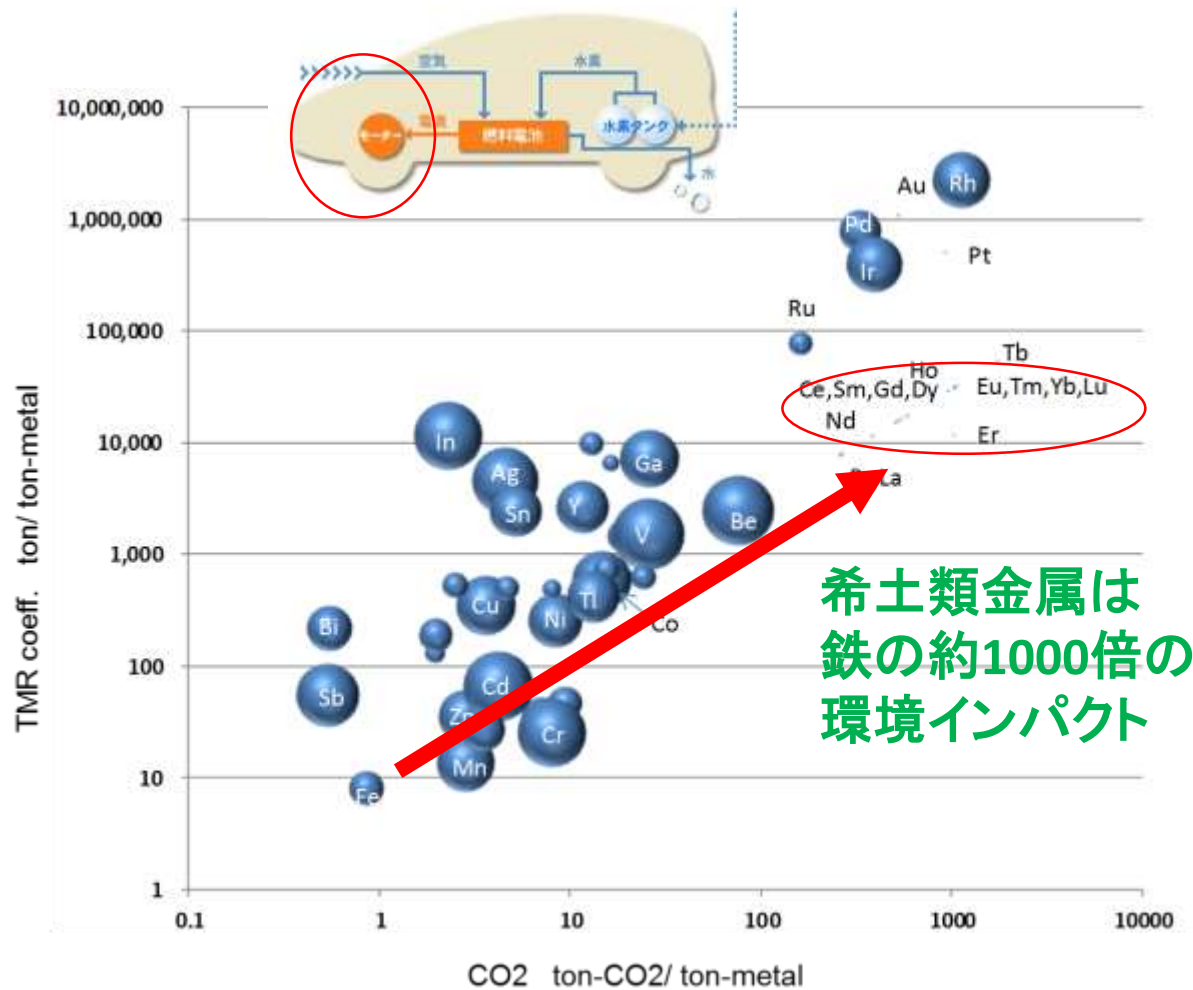
Total material requirement
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 Waist from mining

CO2 emission during
 mining and extraction

モーター (レアアース)



1.2kg Nd磁石/台



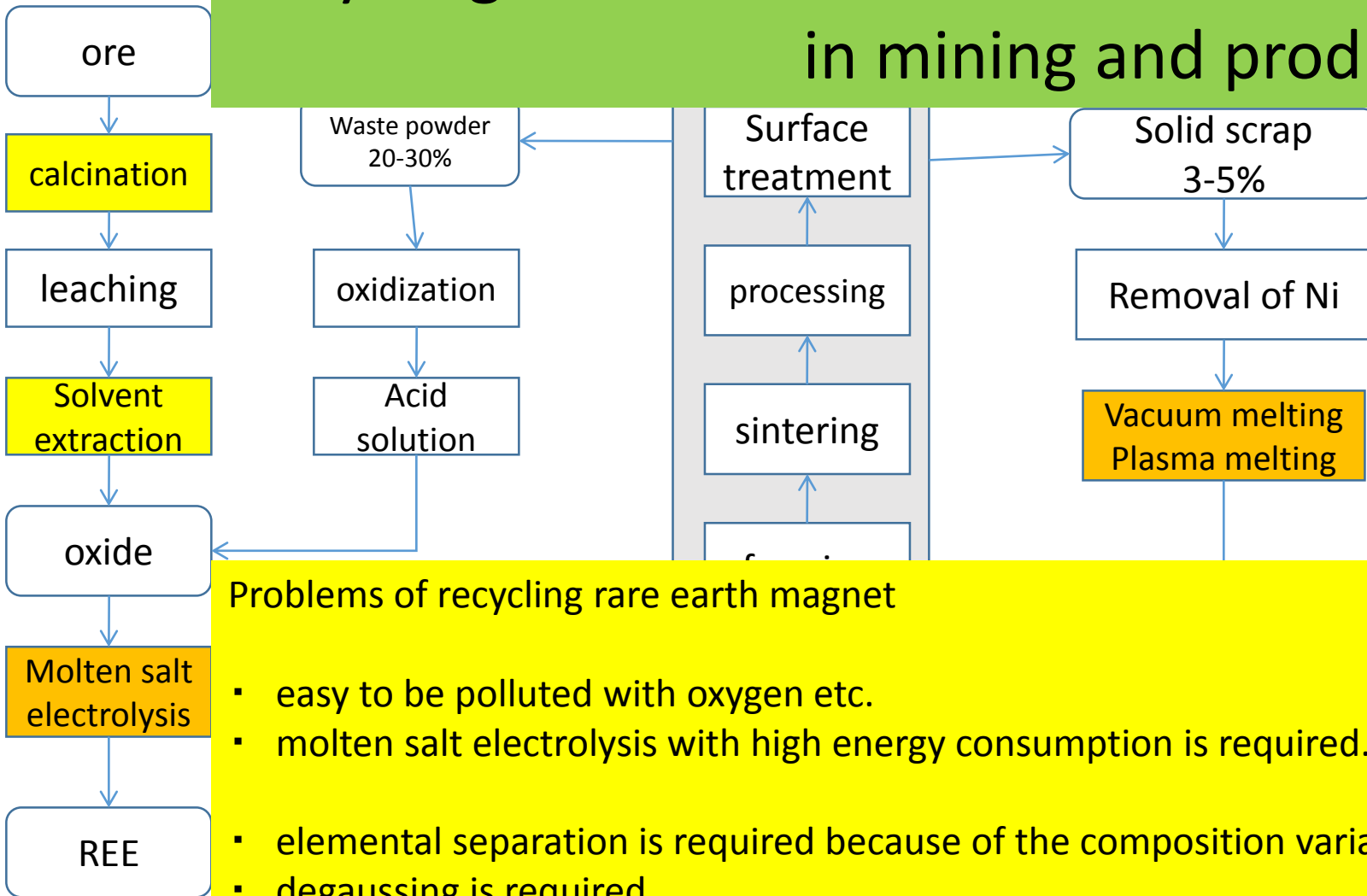
Develop more efficient material with less TMR

TMR comparison of substitution from Sm-Co to Nd-Fe-B

	Fe-Nd-B			Sm-Co	
	Fe	Nd	B	Sm	Co
	14	2	1	2	17
Atomic mass	56	144	11	150	59
mass%	0.72	0.27	0.01	0.23	0.77
TMR coeff. (t/kg)	0.008	12	0.14	16	15
TMR(t/kg)	0.46			15.2	
Max. energy product J/m ³	300			200	
TMR/max.energy product index	0.02			1	

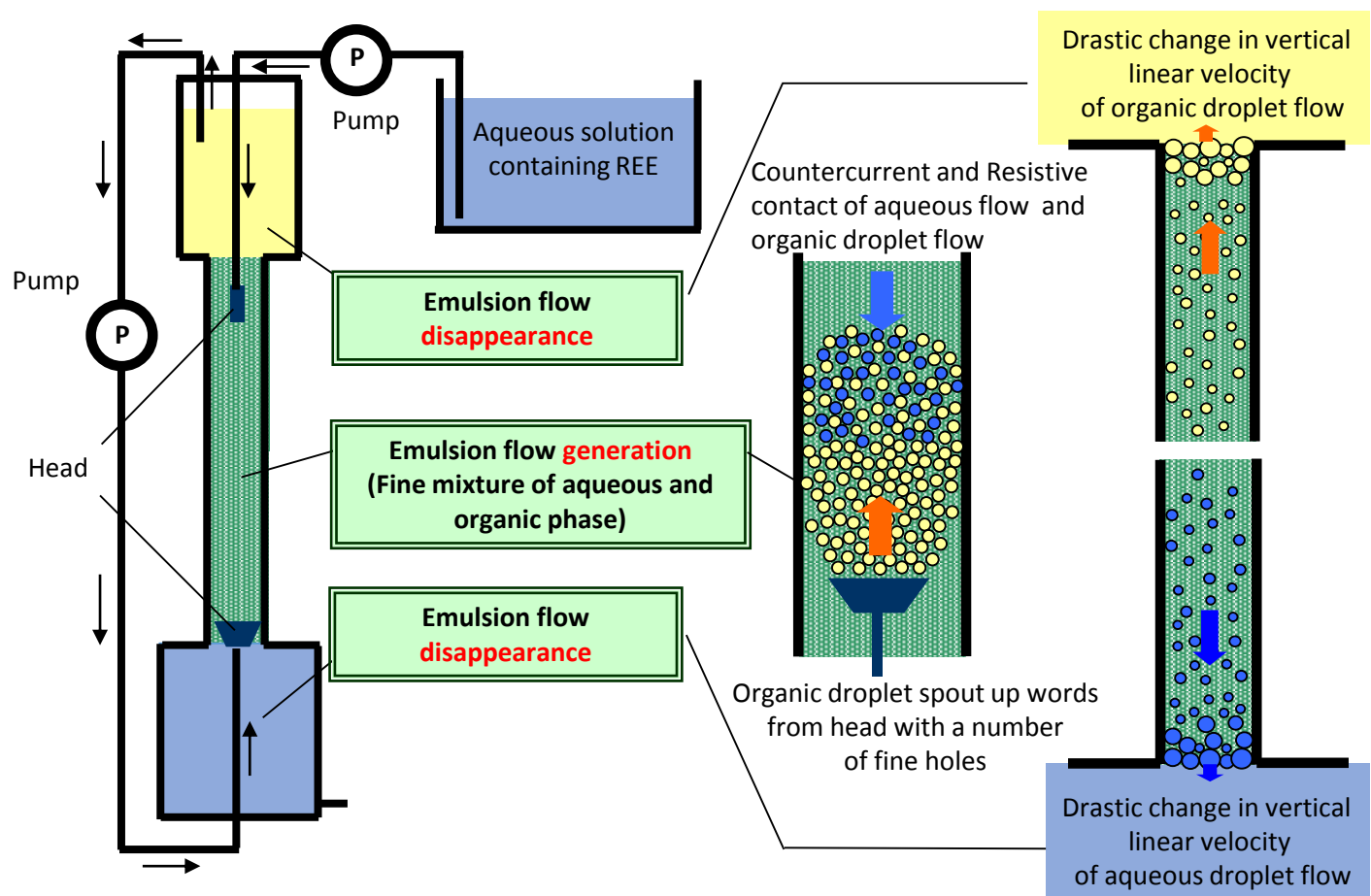
Nd-Fe-B has 50 times better resource efficiency.

Recycling reduces the environmental impact in mining and production



Wt%	O	C	N
Initial metal	<0.05	<0.03	<0.01
magnet	0.7	0.04	0.008
Polished powder	1~5	0.5~2	0.5~1

Newly Developed Emulsion Flow Solvent Extraction Technology



NOTE : Emulsion flow solvent extraction technology has been developed by Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA).

Developments of REE (Nd,Dy) Mobile Recycle Plants



Proposal in the first EU-US-Japan trilateral conference on critical materials (2011)



Nd-Dy recovery equipment Model I (2011-2013)



Nd-Dy recovery equipment Model II (2014-2015)



Nd/Dy separation & purification equipment Model I (2014-2015)



Nd/Dy separation & purification equipment Model II (2015-)

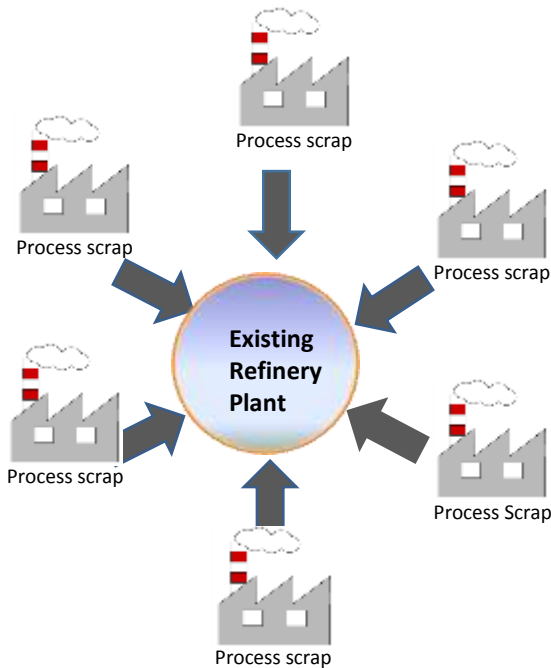


20ft International standard container

Note: These development projects have been supported by METI and NEDO from 2011 to 2015

New Concept of Rare Earth Urban Mining with REE Mobile Recycle Plant

【Present State】



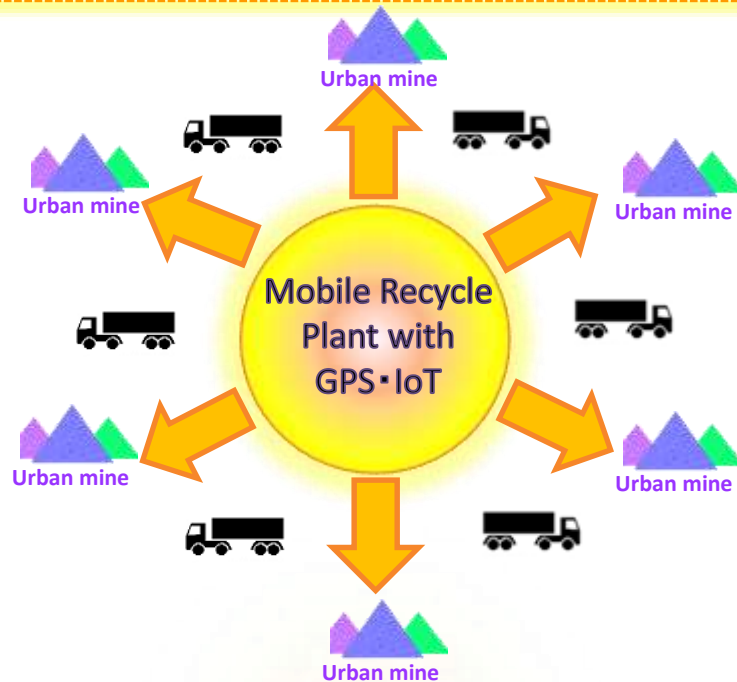
Nd magnet scrap collected from mass production manufacturing plant

Complementary relationship



【New Concept】

Urban mine mapping based on global material flow analysis (MFA) and life cycle assessment (LCA) of Nd magnets will support the new concept of rare earth urban mining.



Mobile recycle plants go to urban mines and recover REE from end-of-life products in a global network (Remote and real time management utilizing GPS, IoT)

From the view point of Carbon zero society,

REE technology will give a great contributions to it.

From the view point of resource efficiency,

resource view weight REE is considerable quantity.

In order to reduce the environmental impact of production, it is important

to develop higher efficient material with less TMR element and

to enhance recycling.