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A Comprehensive Analysis of CO₂ Plume Monitoring and Containment Strategies from Geophysical Perspectives

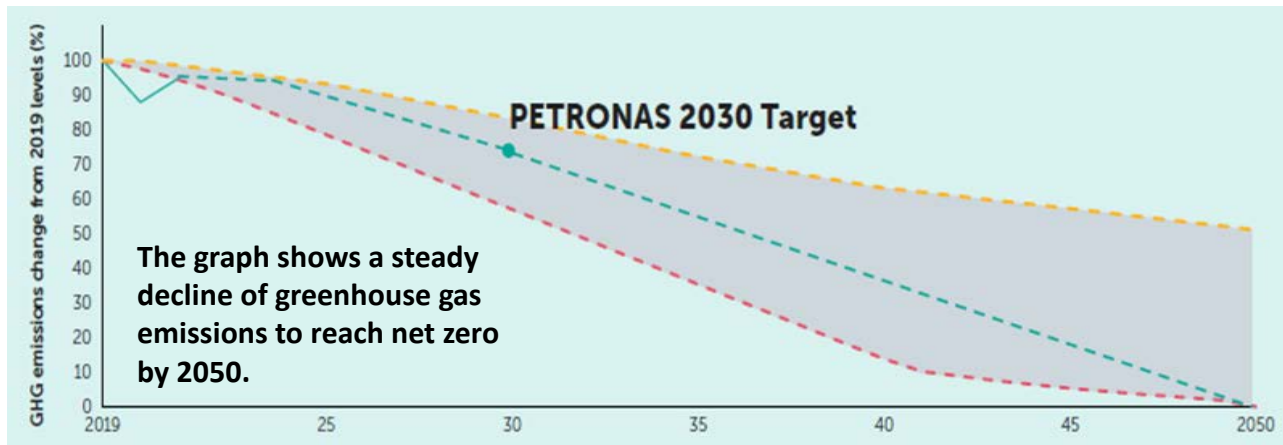
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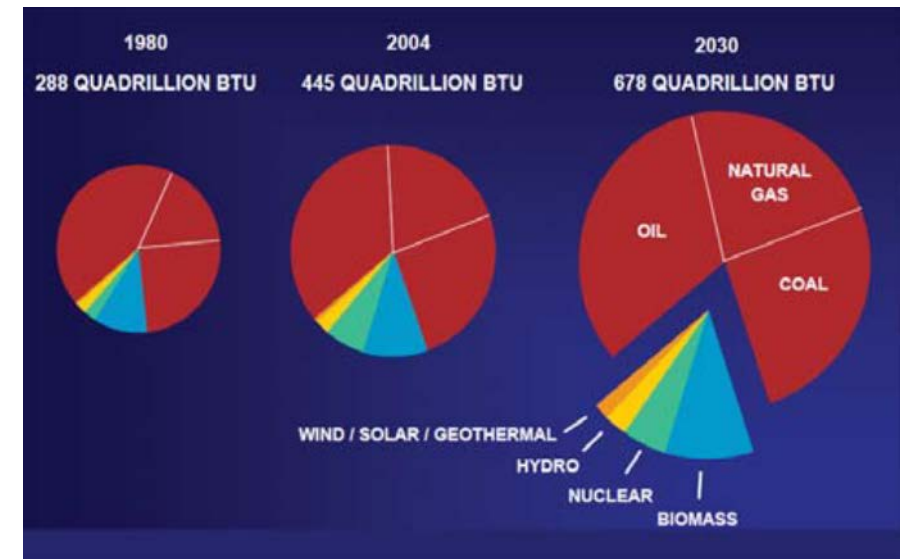
Motivation

PETRONAS is committed in addressing climate change and maintaining a reliable and secure energy supply consideration of national circumstances, balancing requirements of local laws, economic needs of the countries we serve, both in developed and developing countries.



PETRONAS Net Zero Carbon Emissions 2050 Illustrative Pathway

- IPCC 1.5°C
- IPCC 2.0°C
- PETRONAS actual emissions
- - - PETRONAS NZCE 2050 illustrative pathway
- Paris pathway range

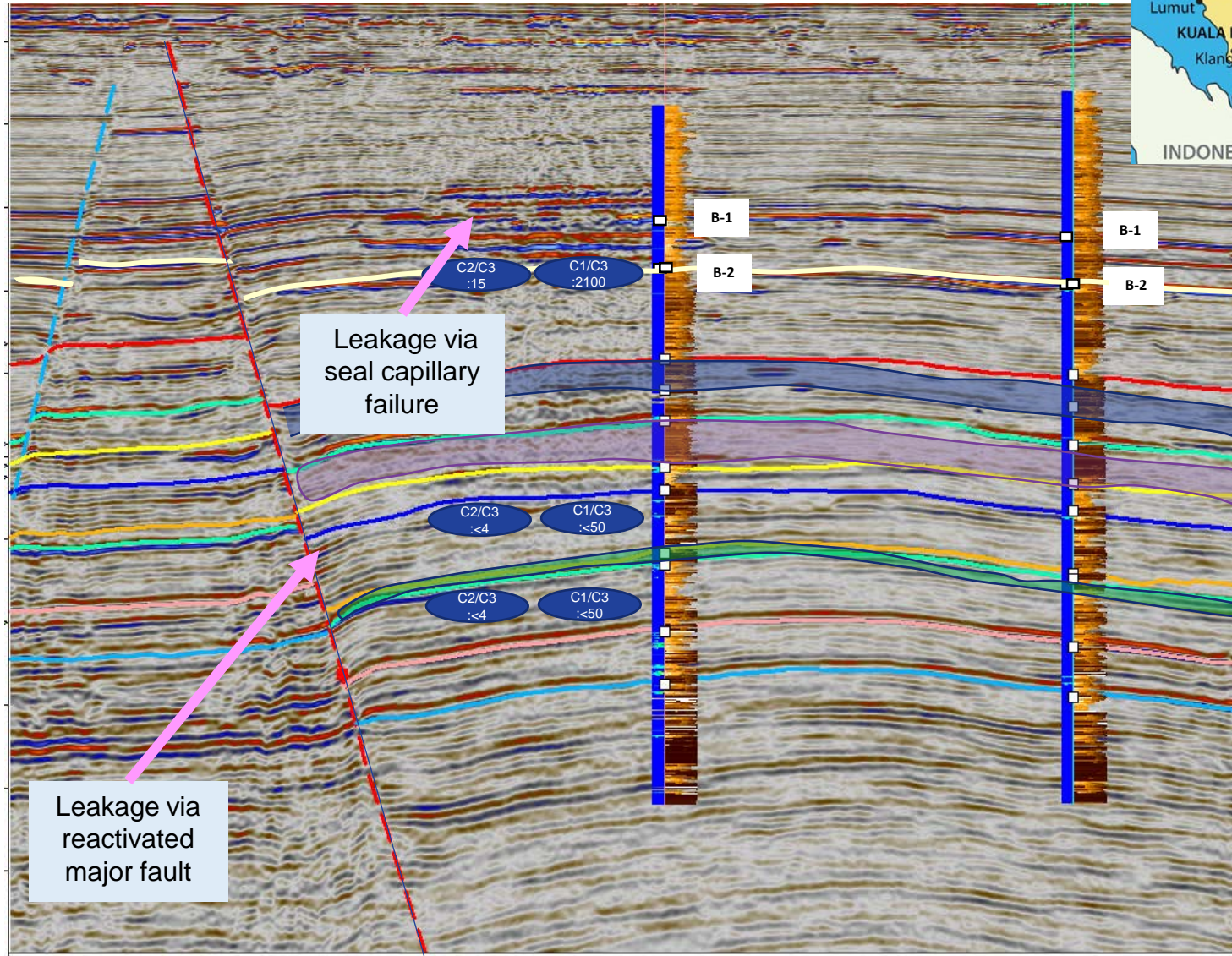


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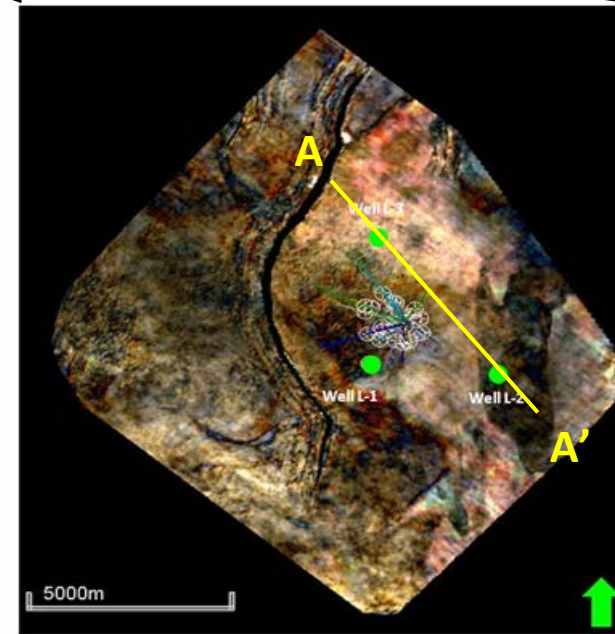
Current supply and demand prediction. Alternate energy have been predicted in coping demands in future, hydrocarbons remain as important source in future sustainability.

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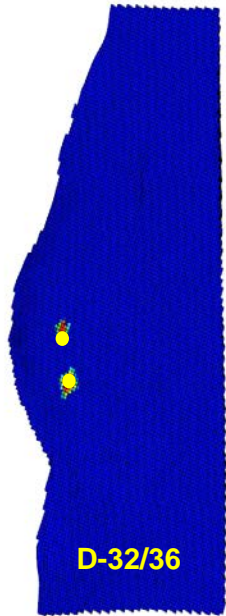
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- D-32/36
- D-55
- Seal E_OB2
- E-20
- E-40
- E50



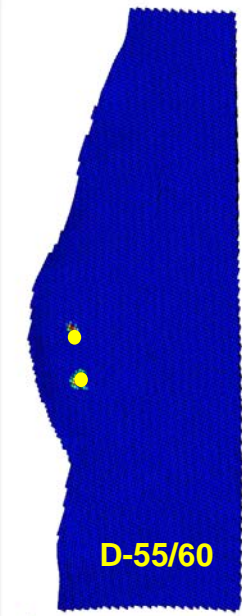
Horizon probe shows domal anticlinal closure, separated by major N -S fault

CO₂ Plume Migration Simulation Scenario

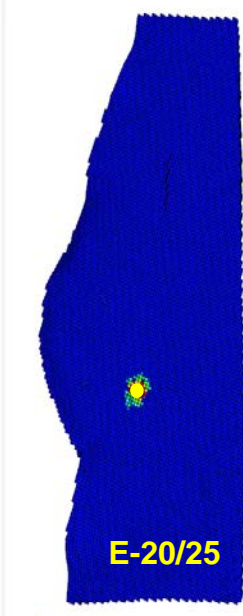
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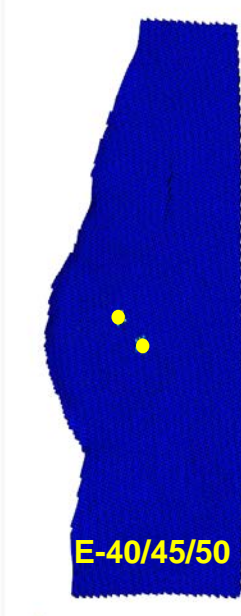
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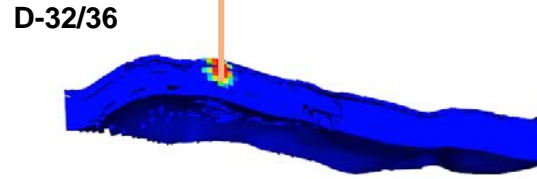
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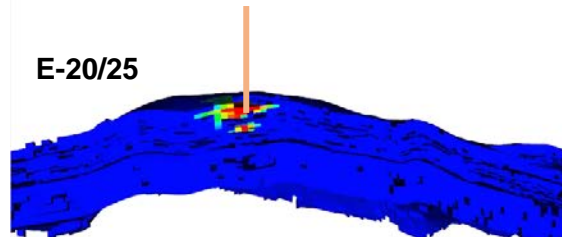
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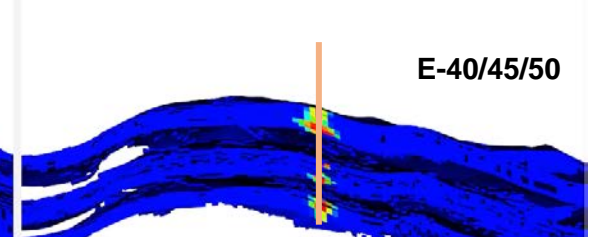
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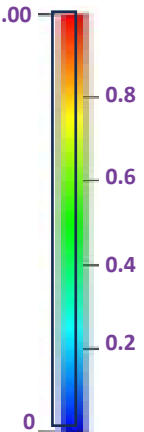
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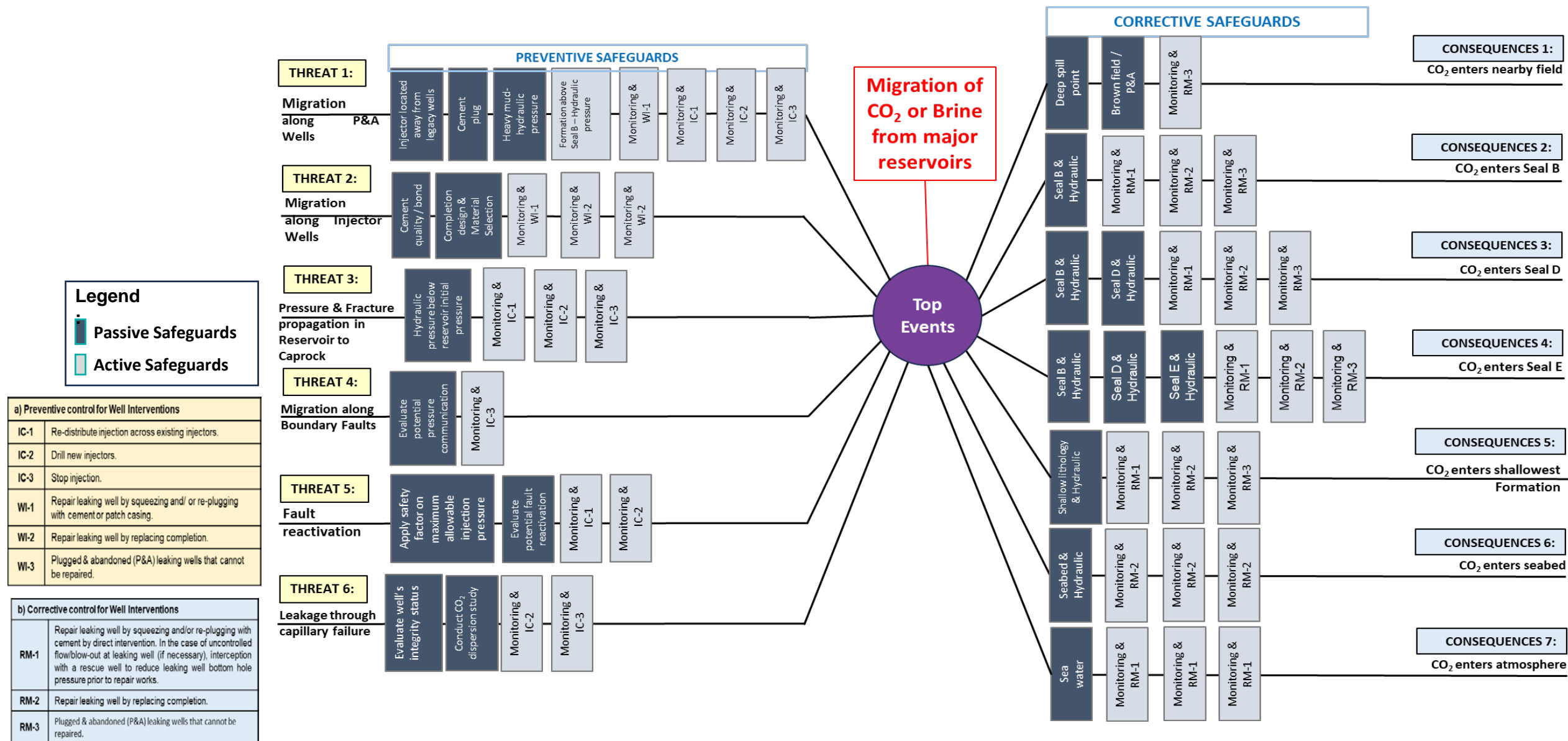


Mole Fraction (CO₂)



- CO₂ plume starts migrating downward after a few years of injection and will be periodically monitored through out injection period

Identified Risks Assessment



Legend

Passive Safeguards

Active Safeguards

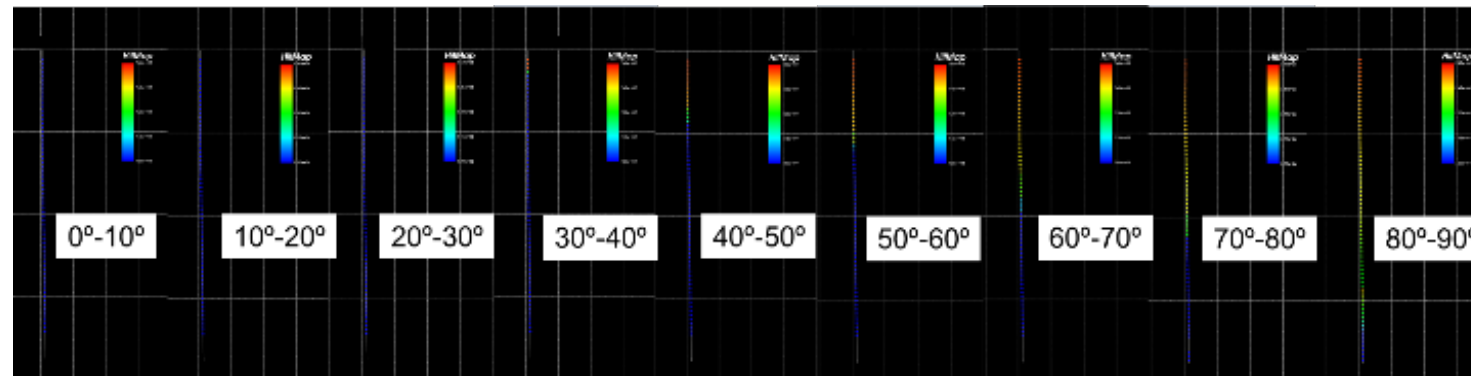
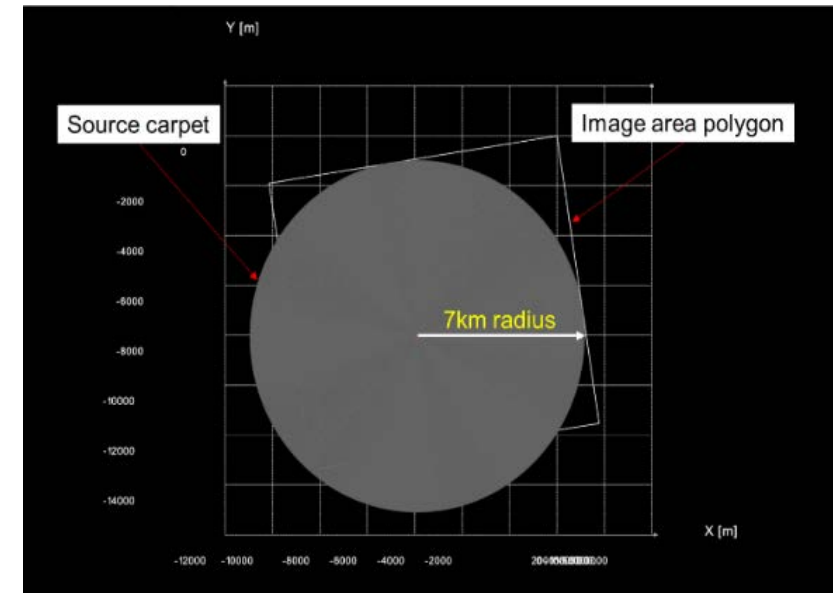
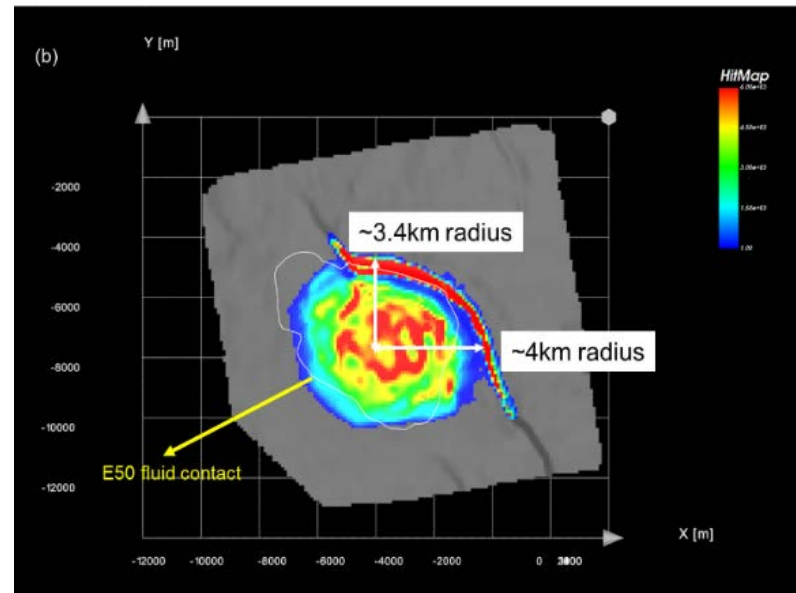
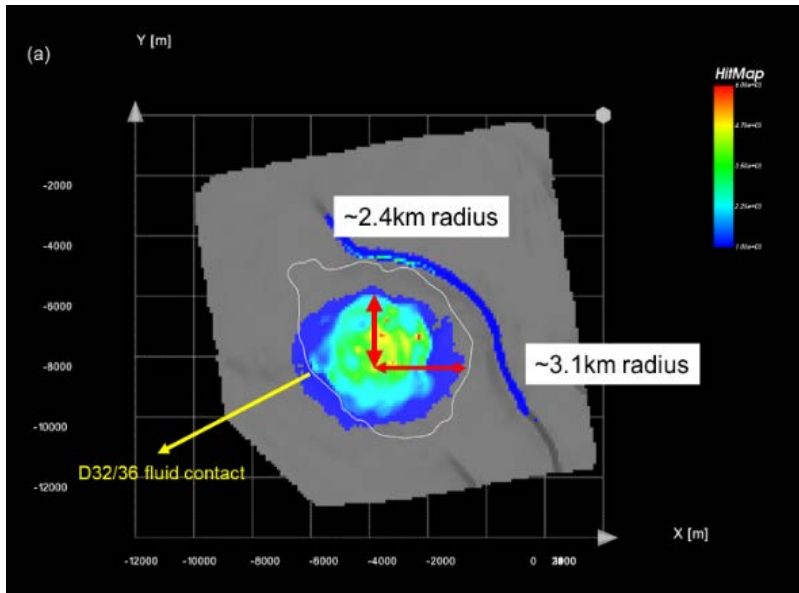
a) Preventive control for Well Interventions

IC-1	Re-distribute injection across existing injectors.
IC-2	Drill new injectors.
IC-3	Stop injection.
WI-1	Repair leaking well by squeezing and/ or re-plugging with cement or patch casing.
WI-2	Repair leaking well by replacing completion.
WI-3	Plugged & abandoned (P&A) leaking wells that cannot be repaired.

b) Corrective control for Well Interventions

RM-1	Repair leaking well by squeezing and/or re-plugging with cement by direct intervention. In the case of uncontrolled flow/blow-out at leaking well (if necessary), interception with a rescue well to reduce leaking well bottom hole pressure prior to repair works.
RM-2	Repair leaking well by replacing completion.
RM-3	Plugged & abandoned (P&A) leaking wells that cannot be repaired.

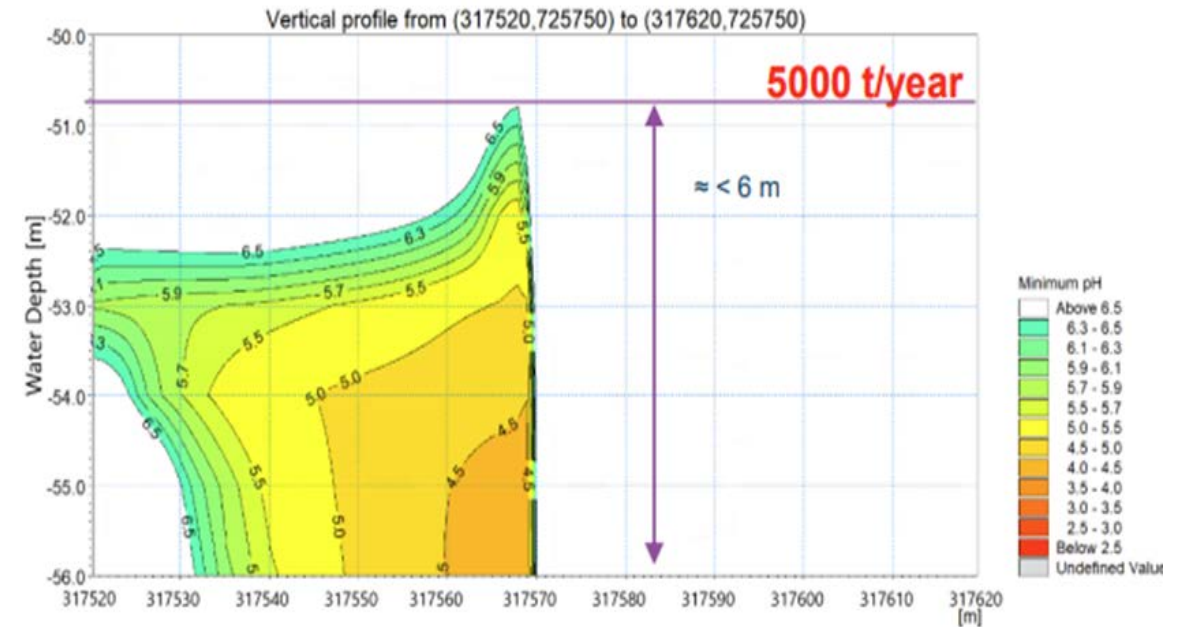
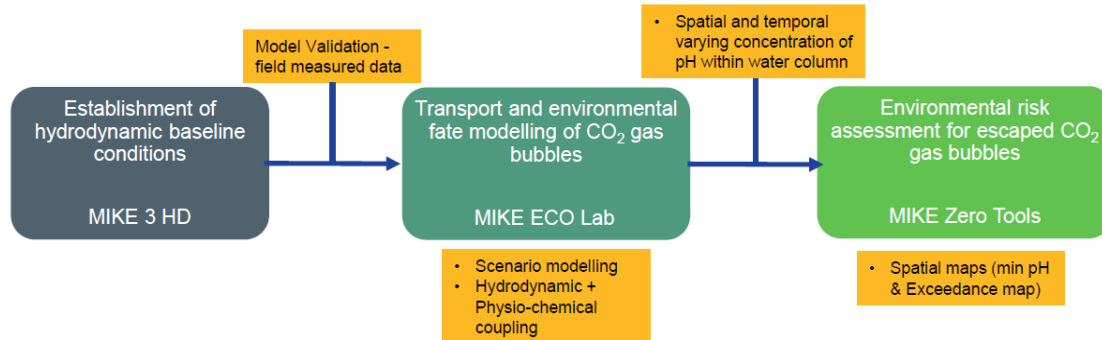
4D DAS VSP Illumination Modelling



Hit Map displays DAS angle filter using result from individual well of L-A11

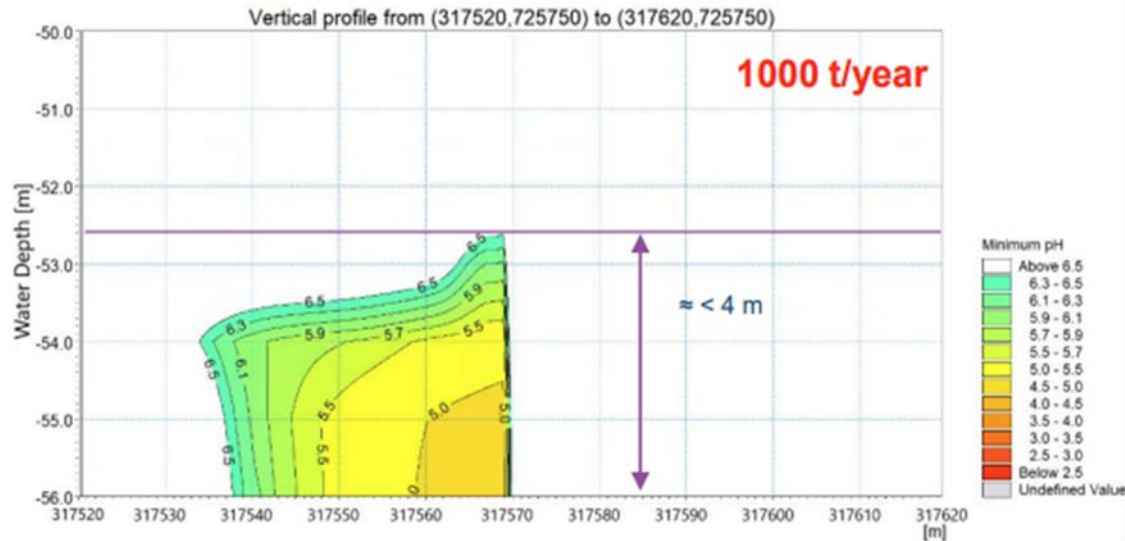
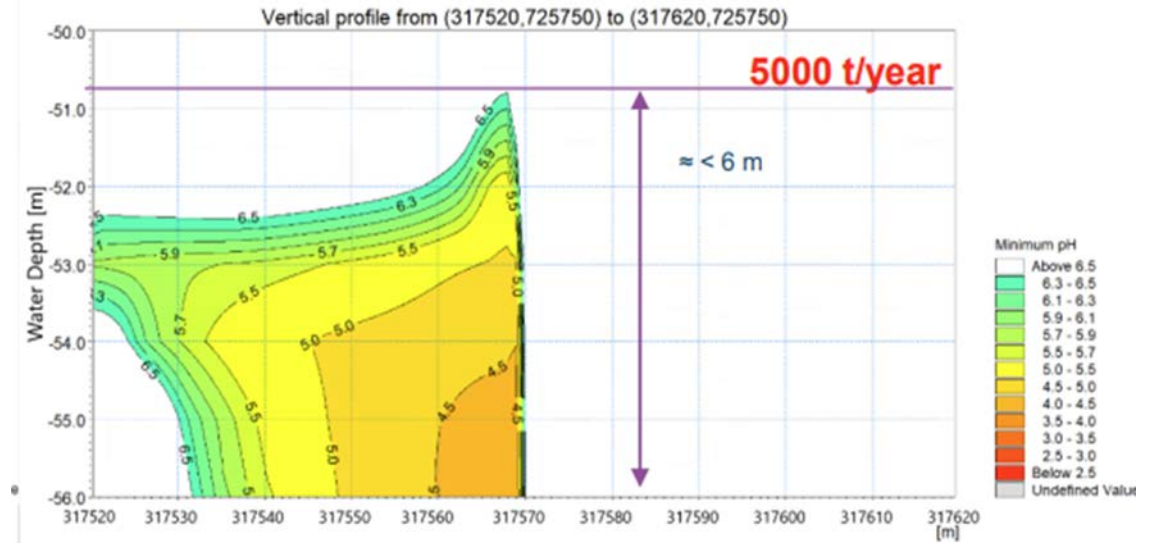
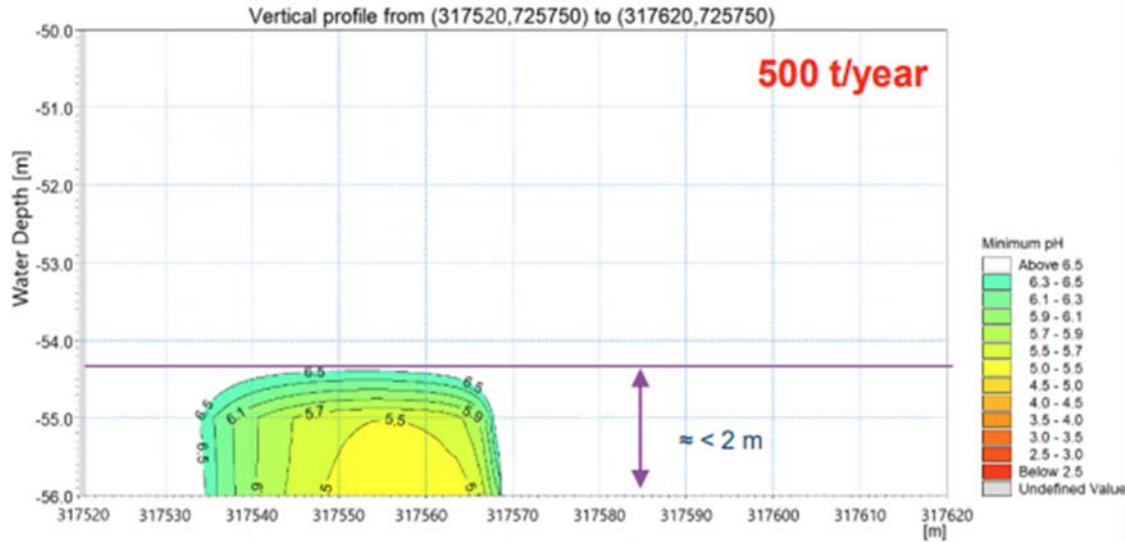
CO2 Marine Dispersion Modelling

- Method on CO2 behaviour and interactions in marine environment based on actual field condition.
- Prediction model enables for marine monitoring and mitigation plan.
- Scenarios with higher seepage rate to investigate possible critical rates



Example of Vertical Cross-Section of Minimum pH across Water Depth

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- Vertical cross section profile was extracted at the lowest current period
- Height of the modelling area with pH < 6.5 for 500 t/year, 1000 t/year and 5000 t/year were predicted to reach up to 2 m, 4 m and 6 m respectively.

MMV Plan

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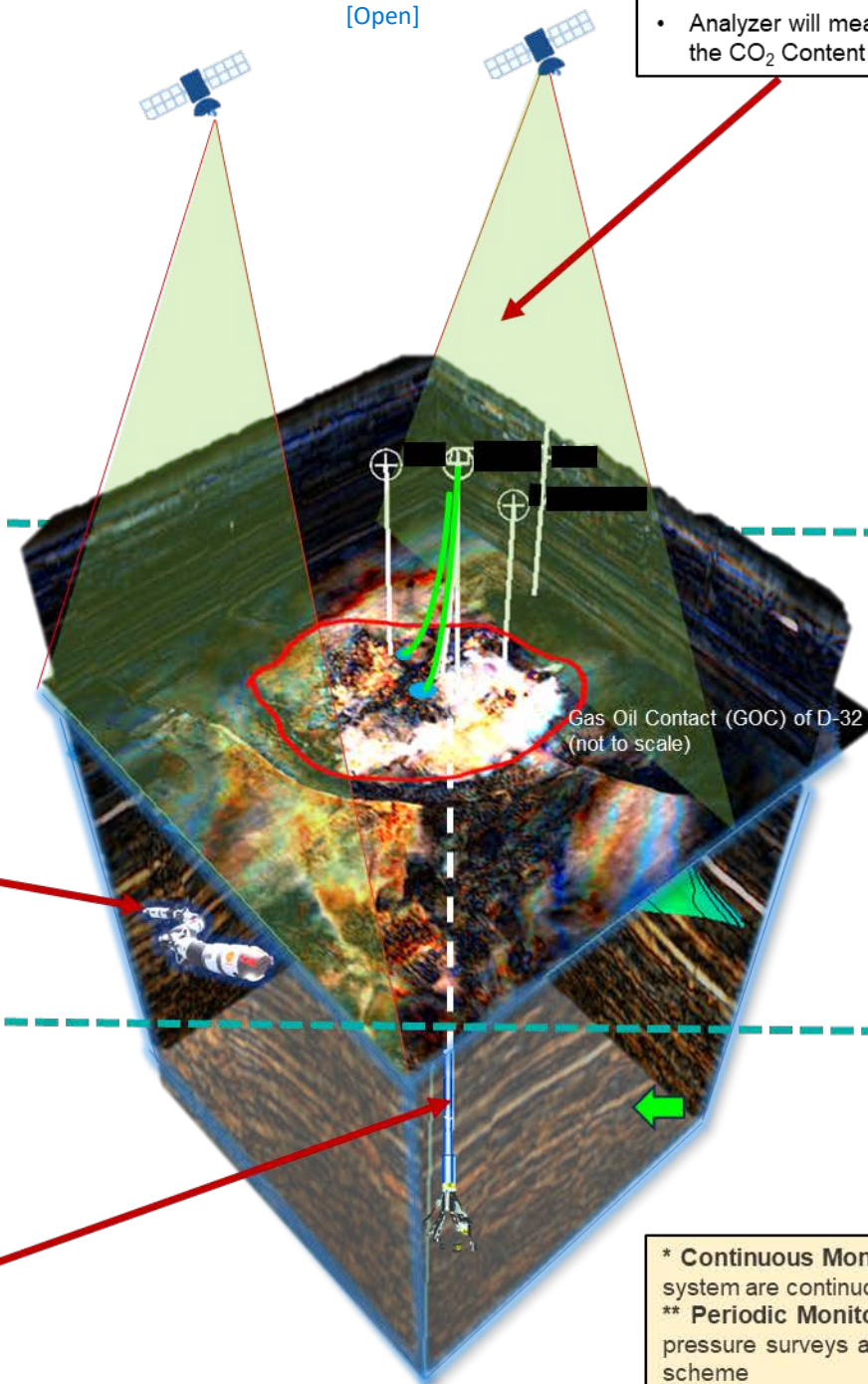
• Analyzer will measure the CO₂ Content & tracer

- On Platform / Wellhead**
- GPS
 - CO₂ Detector
 - Tracer
 - CO₂ Analyzer (Online)
 - CO₂ Sampler (Manual, Periodic)
 - CO₂ Metering (Continuous)
 - WH Pressure & Temperature Measurement (Continuous)

Surface MMV

- Marine Column**
- Soil and groundwater remediation sampling
 - Subsea CO₂ leak detectors
 - ROV Inspection/Snake Robot

- In Well Technology**
- Permanent Downhole P&T Gauge
 - PLT / Wireline Logging
 - Multi-component Fiber Optic
 - Cement Evaluation Logging
 - Ultrasonic Casing Imaging



Gas Oil Contact (GOC) of D-32 (not to scale)

ROV Inspection

Subsurface MMV

- Shallow Subsurface**
- Site Survey Investigation including 3D Ultra High Resolution Seismic
 - Bathymetric
 - Side Scan Sonar+

Wireline Logging Tool

- Subsurface**
- 4D DAS Zero Offset Vertical Seismic Profile (VSP)
 - 4D Surface Seismic
 - Tracer
 - Observation Wells

Legend:

- Continuous Monitoring*
- Periodic Monitoring**
- Monitoring wells

* **Continuous Monitoring:** The performance of storage site and monitoring system are continuously being evaluated
 ** **Periodic Monitoring:** Periodic monitoring will be via seismic, well logs, pressure surveys and possibly tracers according to recommended injection scheme

Proposed MMV Plan with Monitoring Frequency

IY = Start of Injection

- Risk assessments
- Containment Analysis
- Well monitoring
- Trapping mechanism monitoring
- Fluid dynamic monitoring

- FO Implementation
- 3D DAS-VSP (Base Survey) Acquisition

1st monitoring

2nd monitoring

3rd monitoring

4th monitoring

5th monitoring

6th monitoring



Pre-Injection Operation

- Technology screening
- Risks and Containment Analysis
- MMV Planning

During Injection

- CO2 Plume Migration interpretation are based on the 4D-3D VSP (Base and Monitor Surveys)
- Reservoir model updates
- Marine water and soil sampling at identified locations and detailed analysis

Post-Injection

- Marine water and soil sampling at identified locations and detailed analysis



Conclusions



- Fiber Optic System (FOS) installation in injector wells is crucial for well-based and overburden integrity purposes and early CO₂ plume migration detection.
- 3D DAS VSP surveys with observation wells may likely to capture CO₂ plume migration throughout the injection period
- Minor changes in pH observed near CO₂ leakage points at 5000t/year leaking rate
 - CO₂ bubbles dissolved in seawater with 6 m from seabed and spread in very limited area