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# Energy system flexibility and costs by means of electrofuel production for the transport sector

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# Decarbonizing the transport sector

## Small vehicles



## Rail



## Planes



## Ships



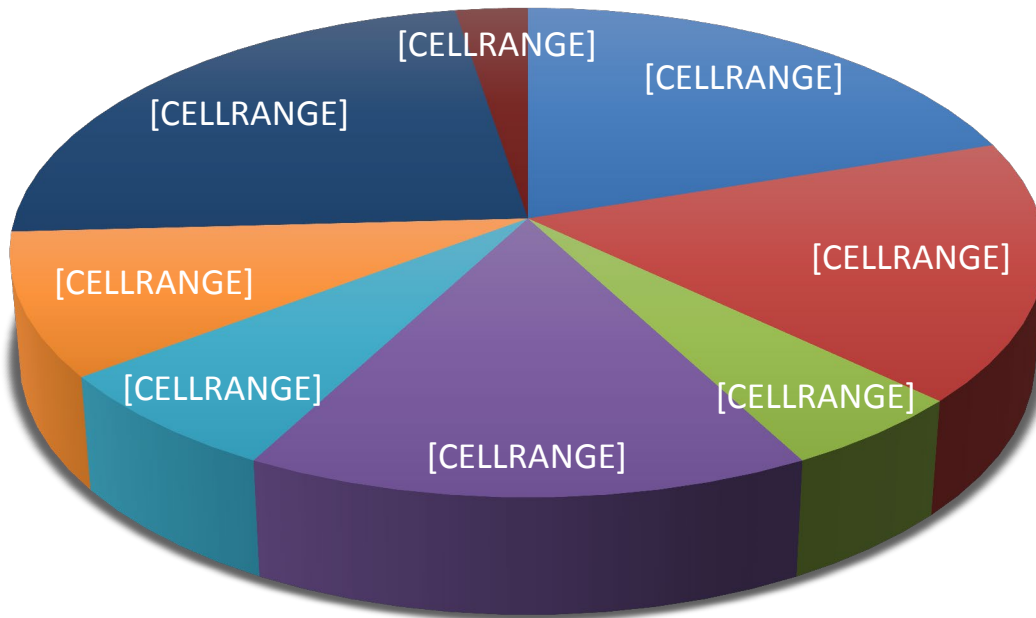
## Busses



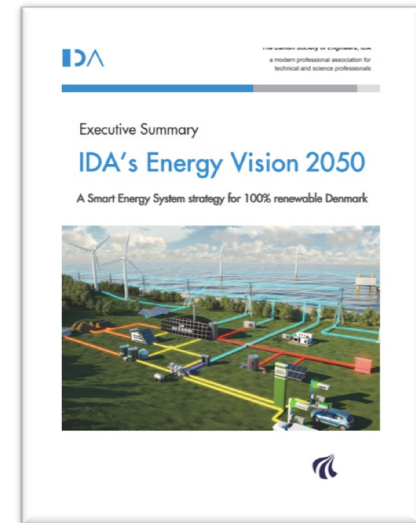
## Lorries



# Transport demand in Denmark IDA Energy Vision 2050



- Cars and vans < 2 t
- Commercial vehicles < 6 t
- Busses
- Lorries
- Rail
- Sea
- Aviation
- Other



Total demand 32,5 TWh  
75% of personal transport electrified  
35% of commercial vehicles electrified

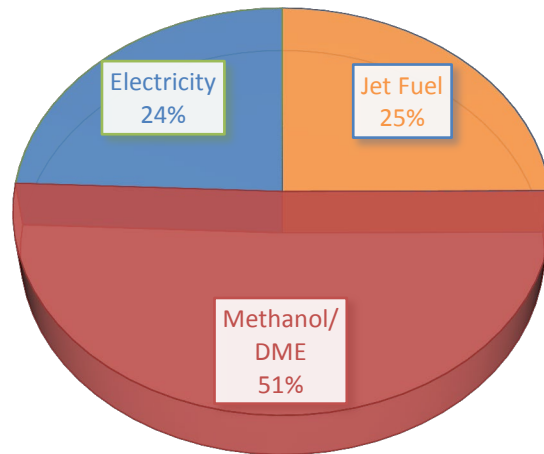


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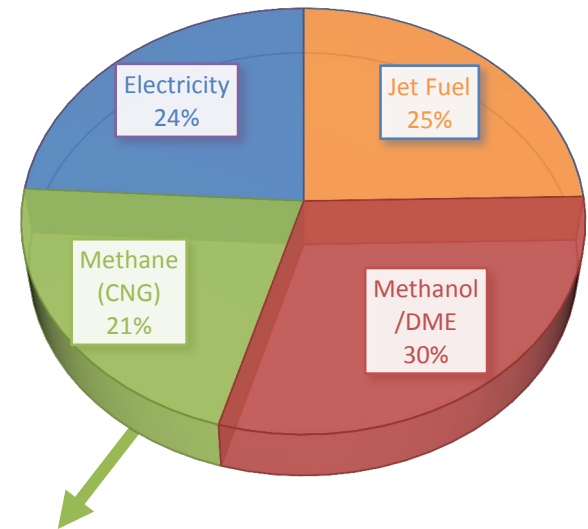


# Transport fuels in IDA Energy Vision 2050

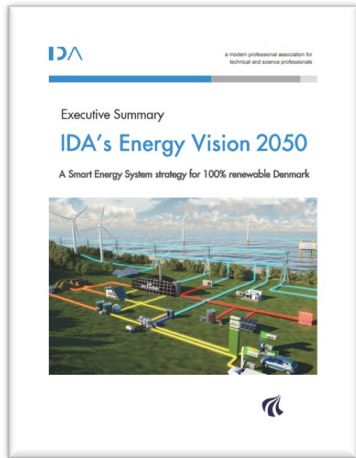
Original fuel mix based on  
IDA Energy Vision 2050  
Reference case



New fuel mix



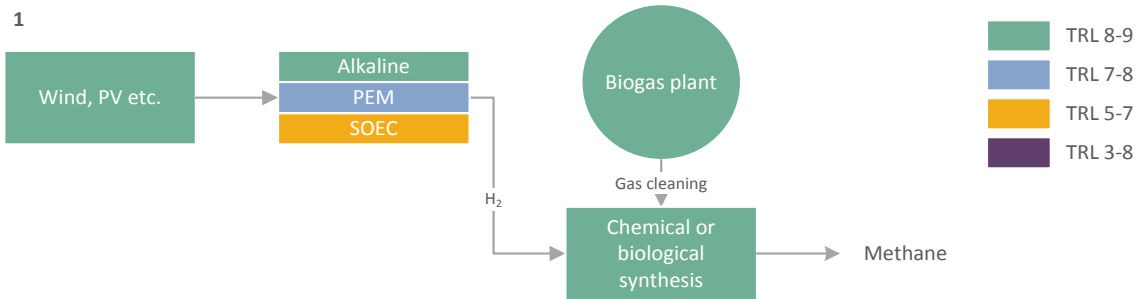
7.36 TWh (including 5% losses)  
85% of buses  
>90% of lorries



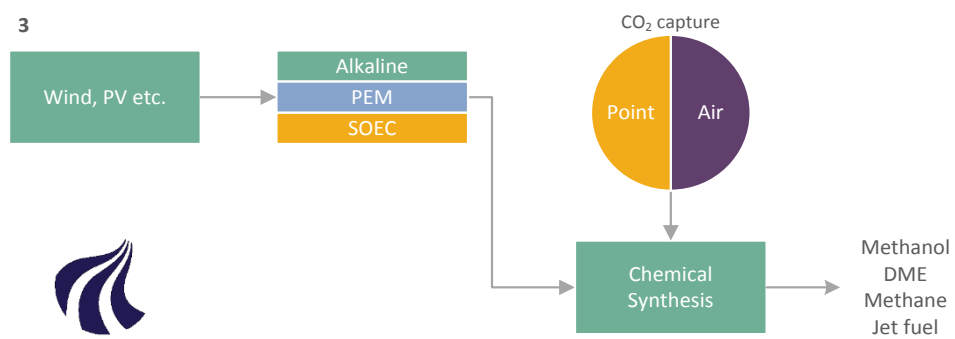
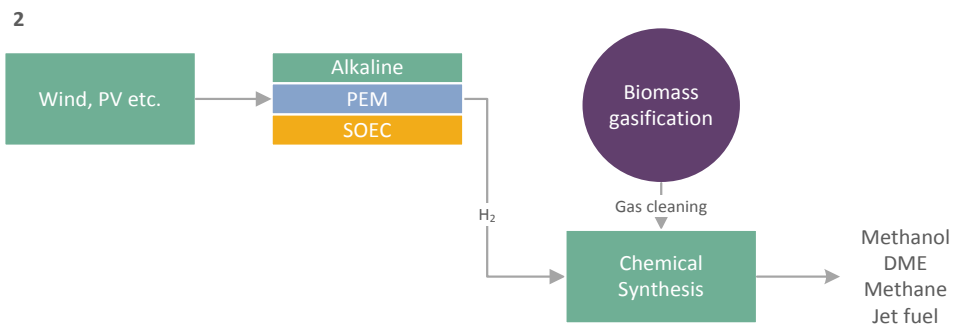
# Renewable fuel pathways



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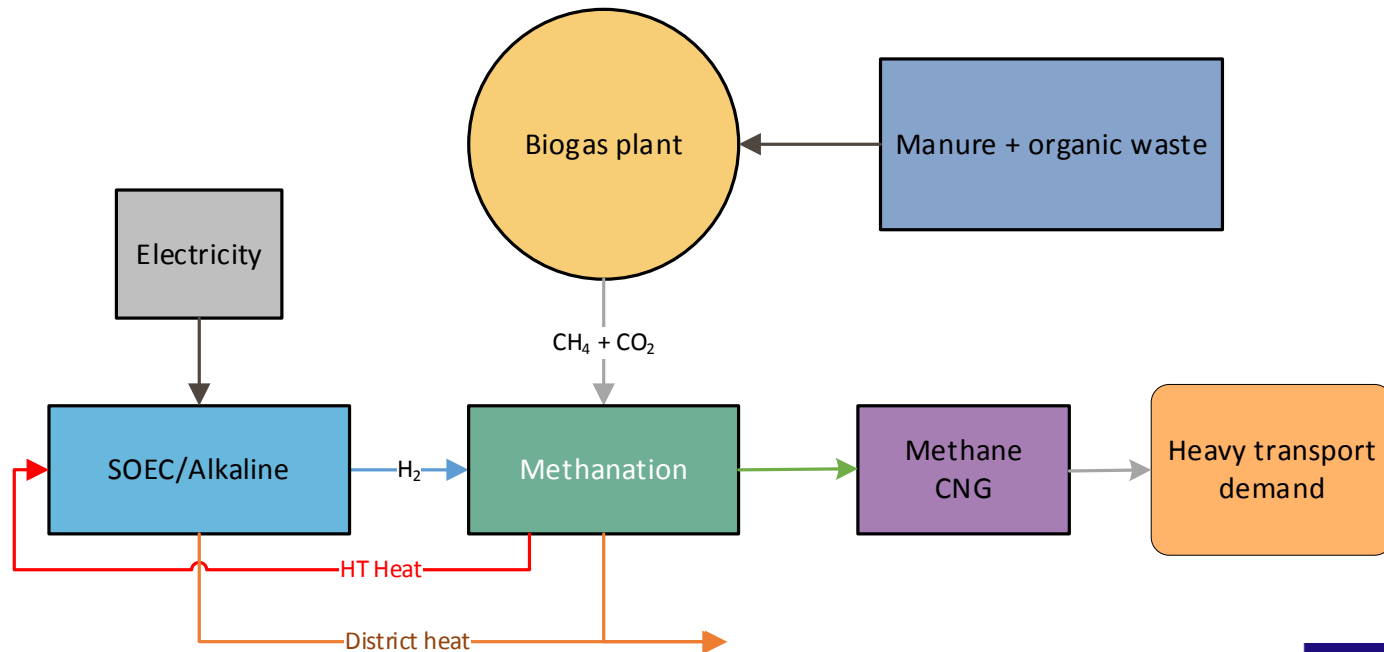


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**Case A. Total demand: 7.36 TWh**  
**60% Biogas hydrogenation: 4.42 TWh**  
 20% biomass hydrogenation: 1.47 TWh  
 20% CO<sub>2</sub> hydrogenation: 1.47 TWh

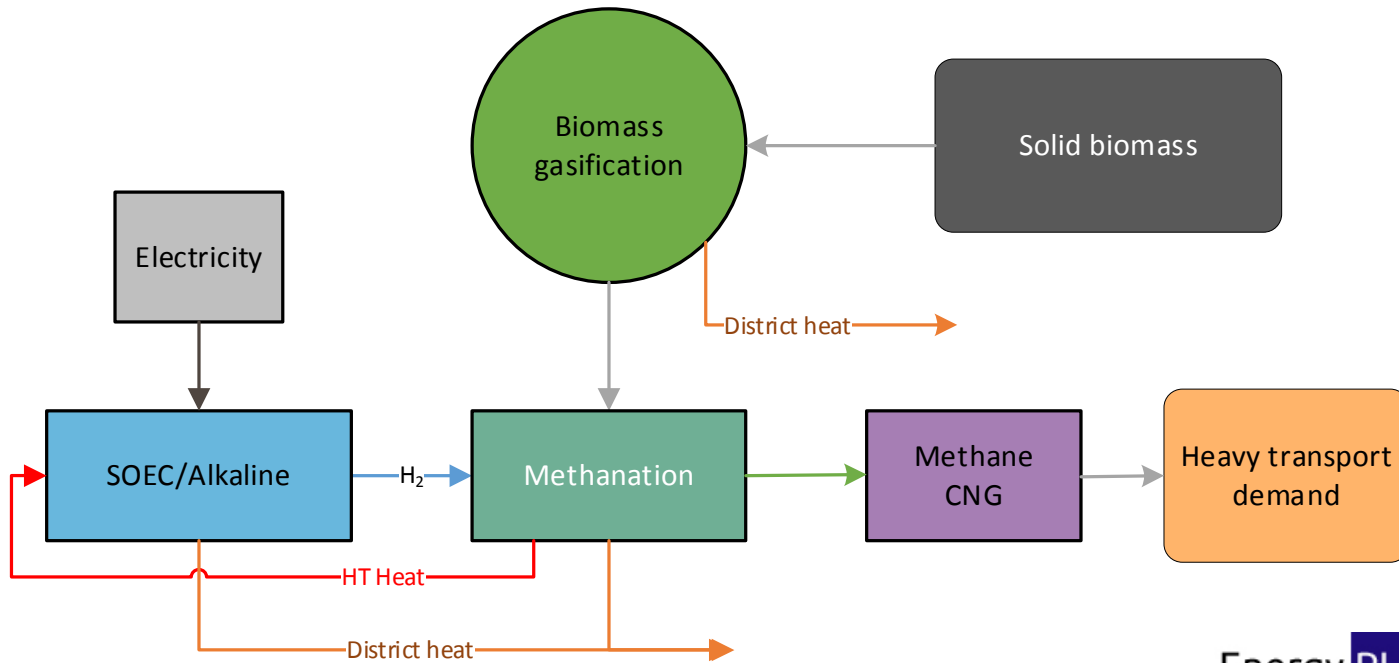


# Case B. Total demand: 7.36 TWh

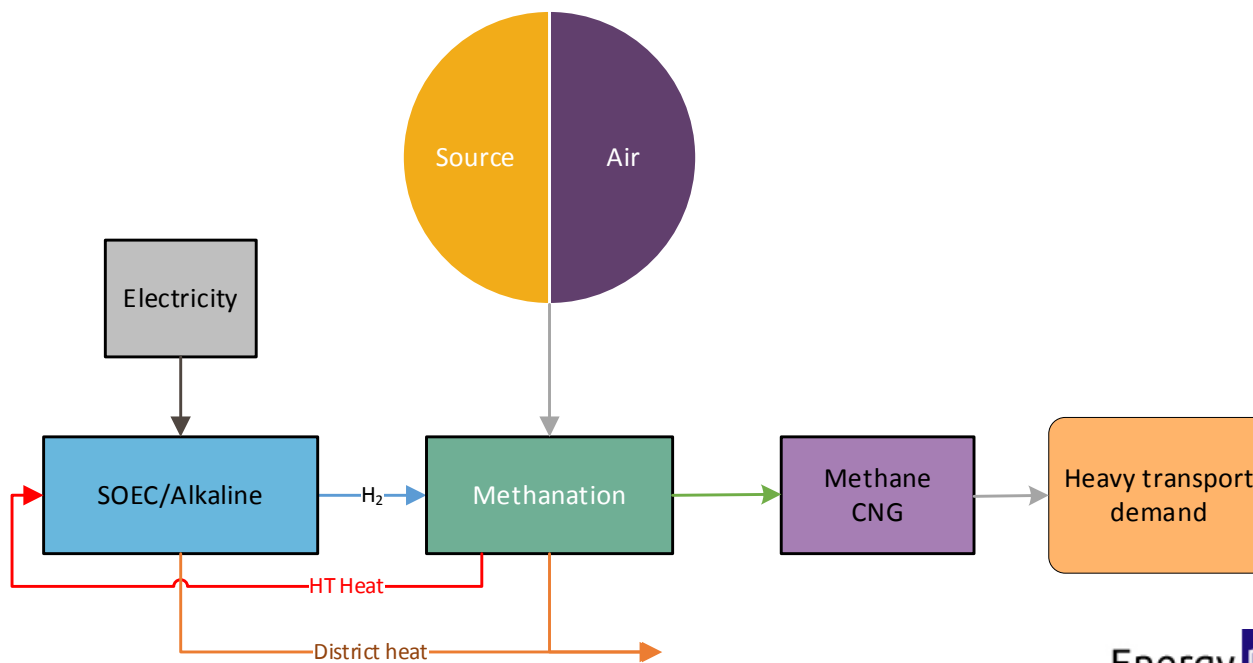
## 60% biomass hydrogenation: 4.42 TWh

20% biogas hydrogenation: 1.47 TWh

20% CO<sub>2</sub> hydrogenation: 1.47 TWh



**Case C. Total demand: 7.36 TWh**  
**60% CO<sub>2</sub> hydrogenation: 4.42 TWh**  
 20% biogas hydrogenation: 1.47 TWh  
 20% biomass hydrogenation: 1.47 TWh



**Energy PLAN**  
 Advanced energy system analysis computer model





# Scenarios to test energy system flexibility



1. **Smart Energy System** (100% buffer capacity SOEC and one week H2 storage)
2. **High Temperature synergies** (100% buffer capacity SOEC with increased efficiency. Same storage)
3. **Alkaline** (100% buffer capacity. Same storage)
4. **Reduced electrolyser** (50% buffer capacity. Same storage)
5. **Base electrolyser** (Minimum capacity with no storage)

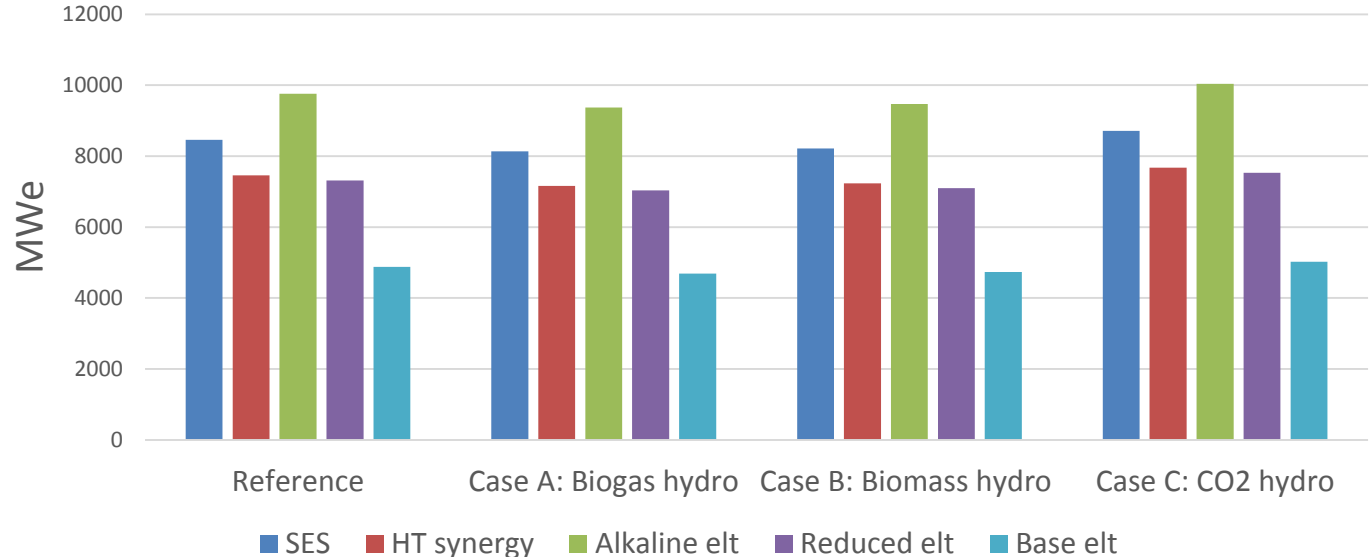


Across all scenarios:

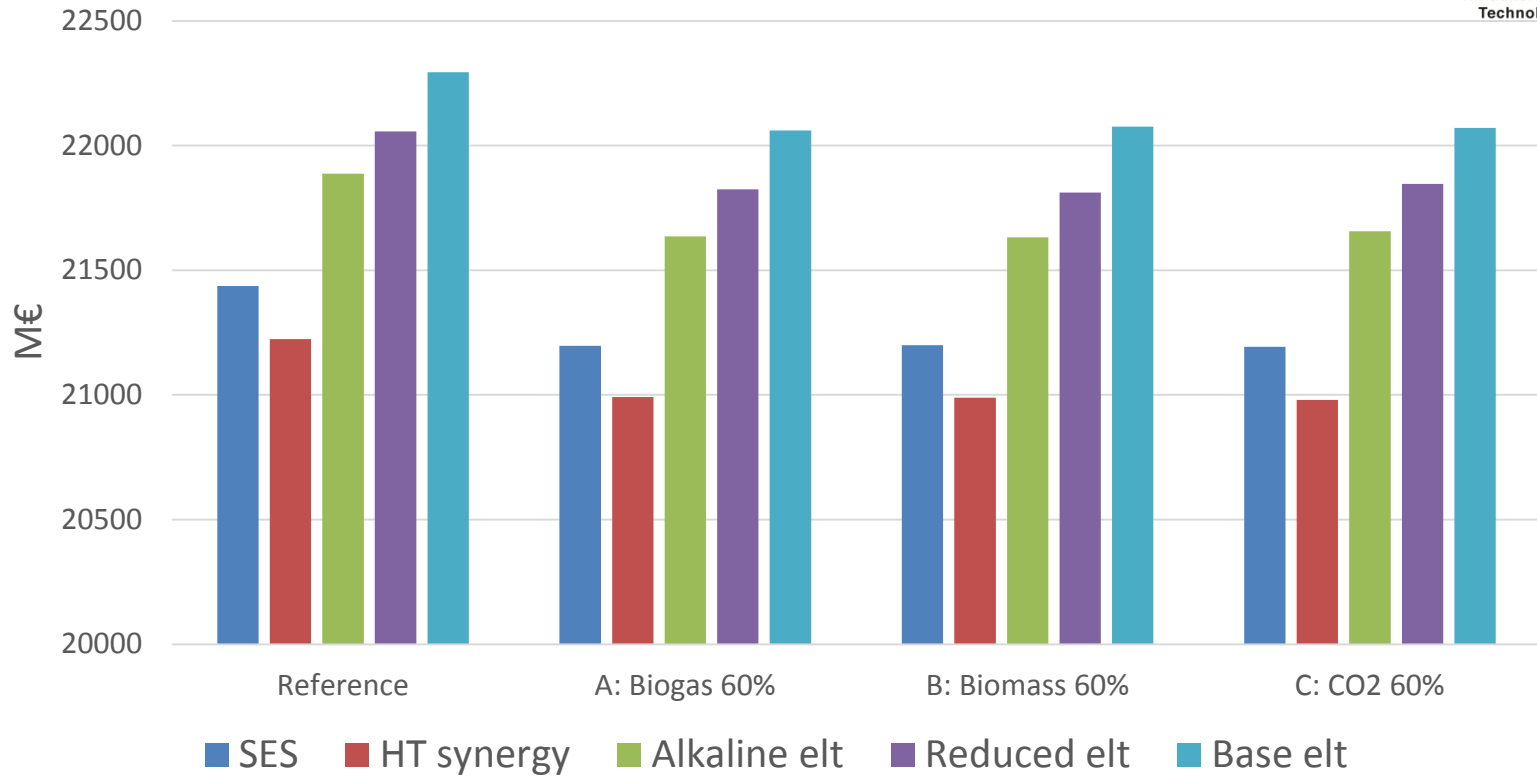
- similar capacities of power plants and wind
- Excess el. production: 5% of total el. demand

# Electrolyser capacities

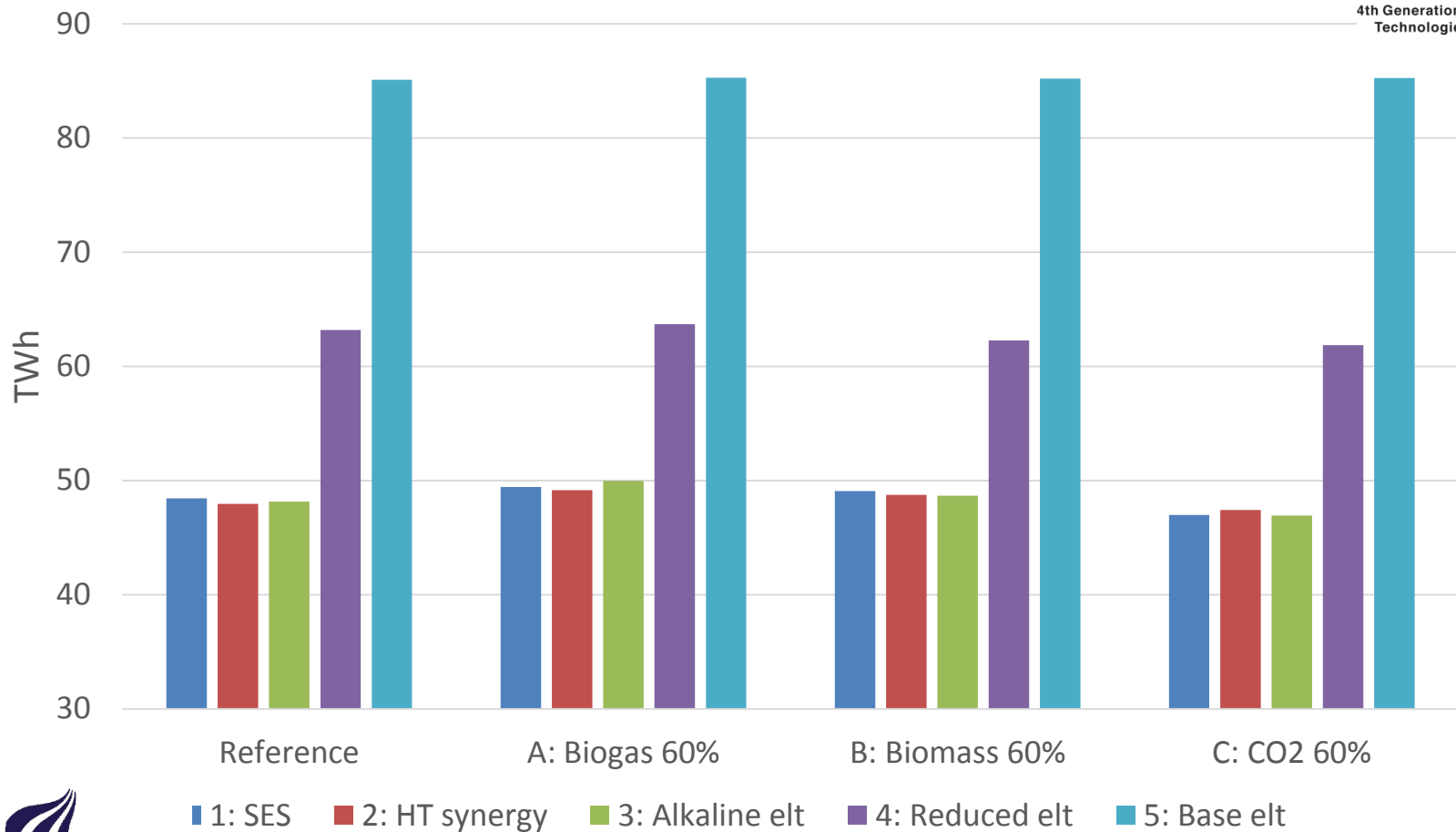
Electrolyser capacity (MWe)	Case A: Biogas		Case B:	Case C: CO2	Efficiency
	Reference	hydro	Biomass hydro	hydro	
SES	8464	8132	8216	8710	74%
HT synergy	7456	7164	7238	7672	84%
Alkaline elt	9756	9374	9470	10038	64%
Reduced elt	7317	7031	7103	7529	64%
Base elt	4878	4688	4735	5020	64%



# Energy system costs

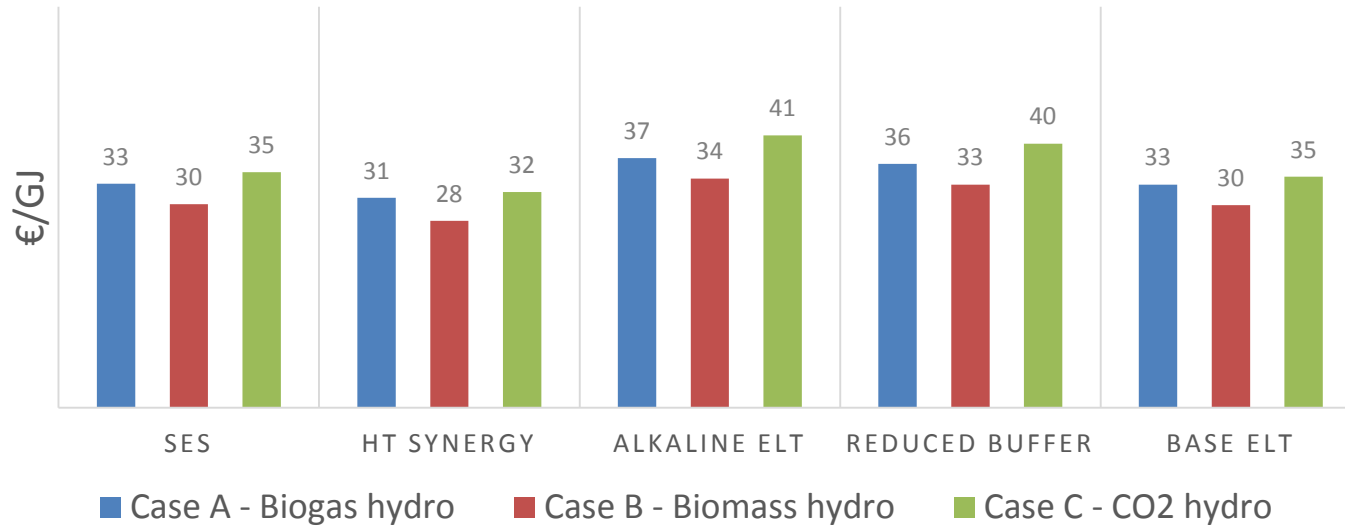


# Biomass consumption

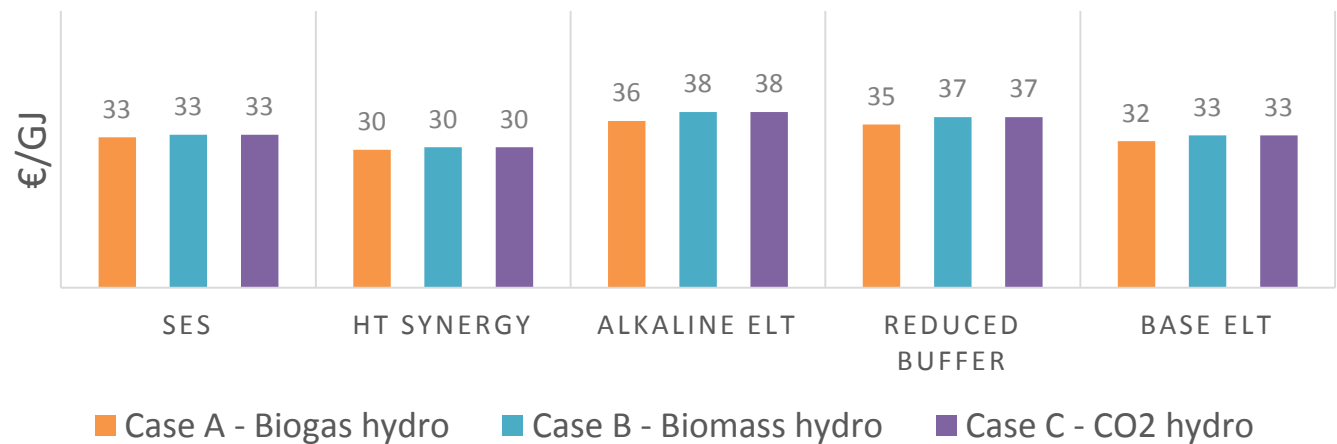


# Fuel costs €/GJ

## METHANE - WEIGHTED AVERAGE COST

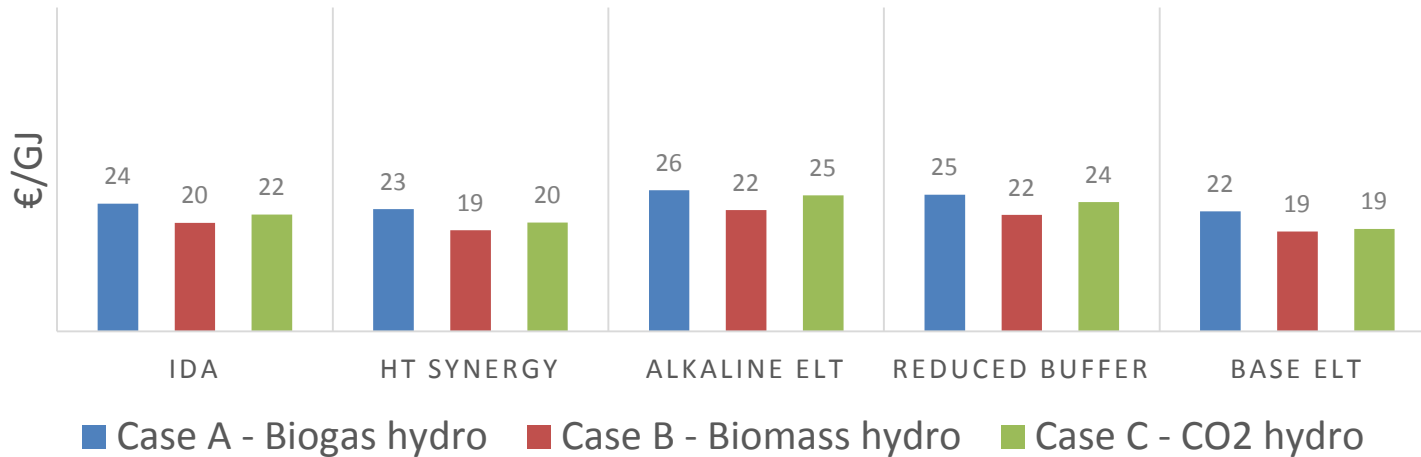


## METHANOL/DME - WEIGHTED AVERAGE COST

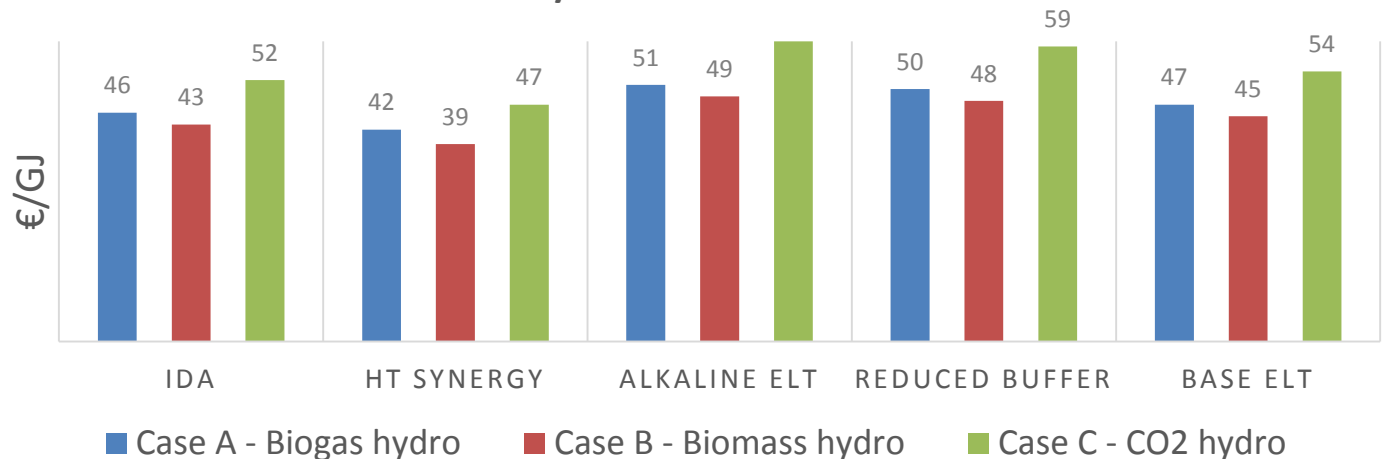


# Fuel costs €/GJ – sensitivity analysis

METHANE - WEIGHTED AVERAGE  
30€/MW ELECTRICITY



METHANE - WEIGHTED AVERAGE  
120€/MW ELECTRICITY



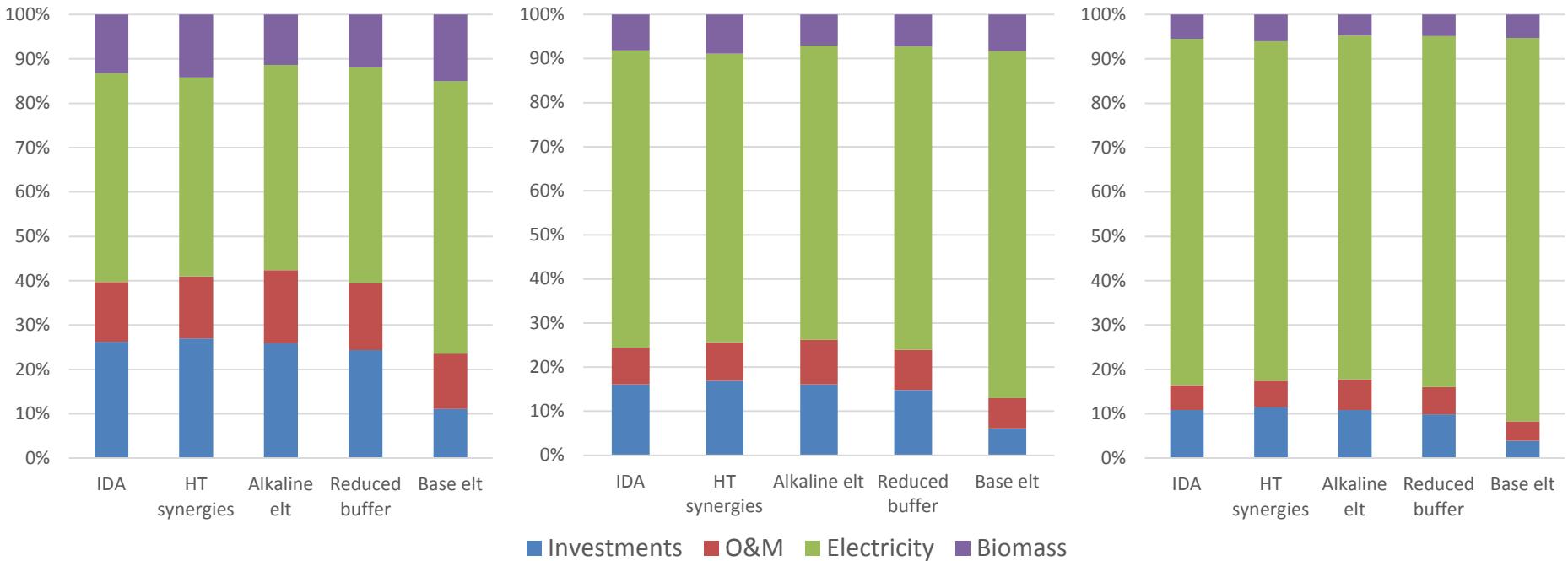
# Methane price structure

## Case C – CO<sub>2</sub> hydrogenation

30 €/MW electricity cost

70 €/MW electricity cost

120 €/MW electricity cost



Similar trend in all scenarios!

# Three main findings

- Capacity and type of electrolysers has a high impact on energy system costs, fuel costs and biomass consumption
- Electricity costs can take between 30-90% of the fuel price depending on system design and electricity cost
- Smart Energy System operation could have similar energy system and fuel cost to continuous operation





# Thank you!

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