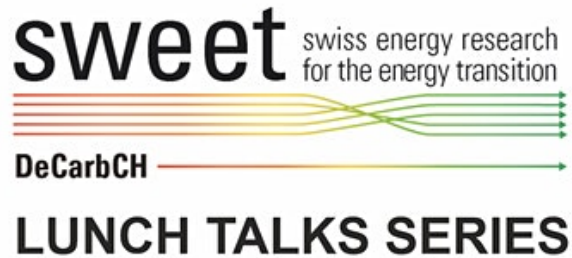


Long term thermal energy storages: Opportunities for Switzerland



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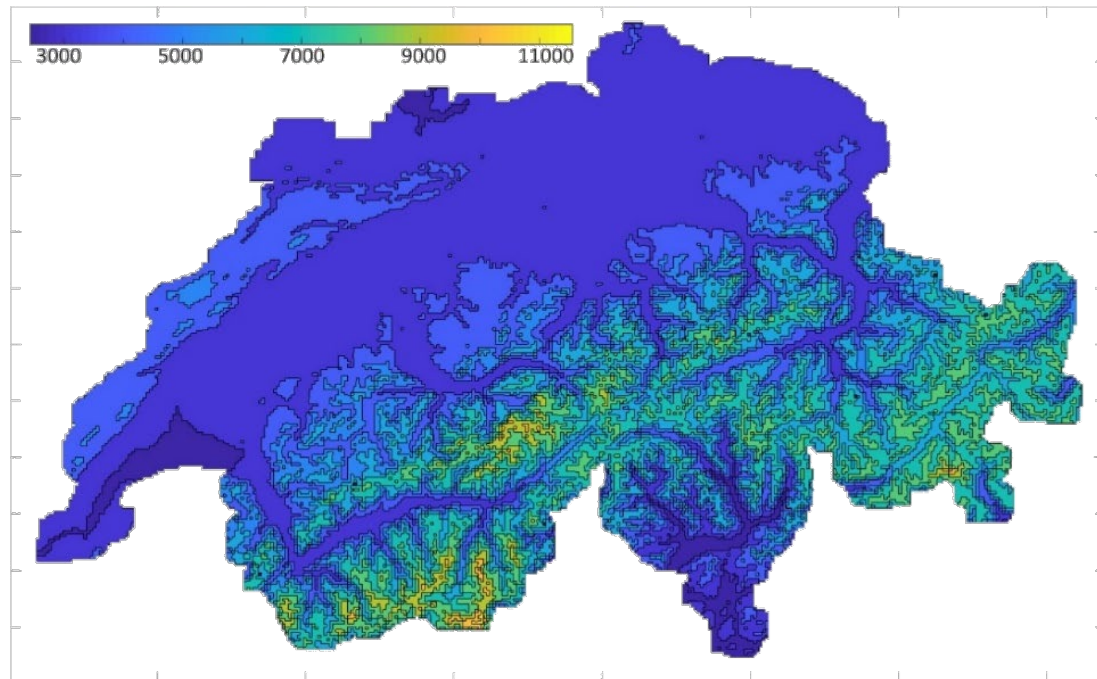
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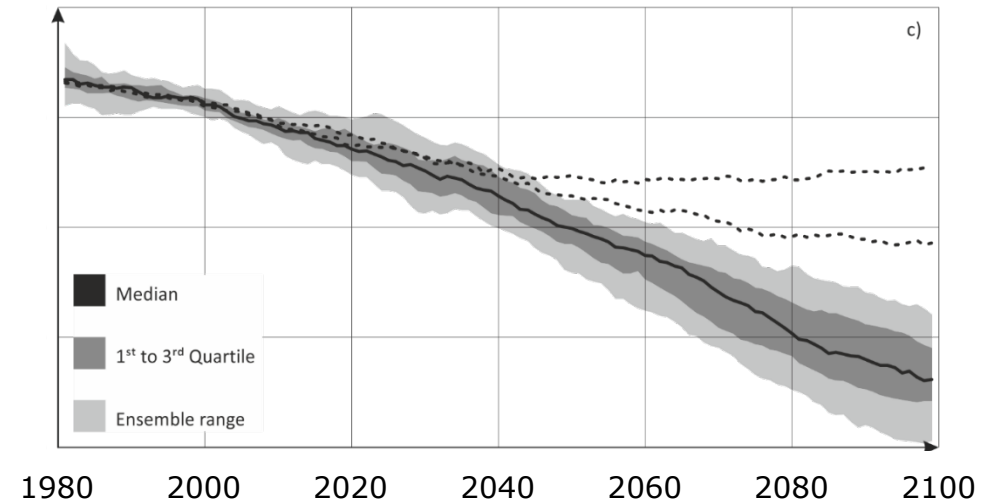
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Effect of Climate Change on Heating and Cooling Demand in Switzerland

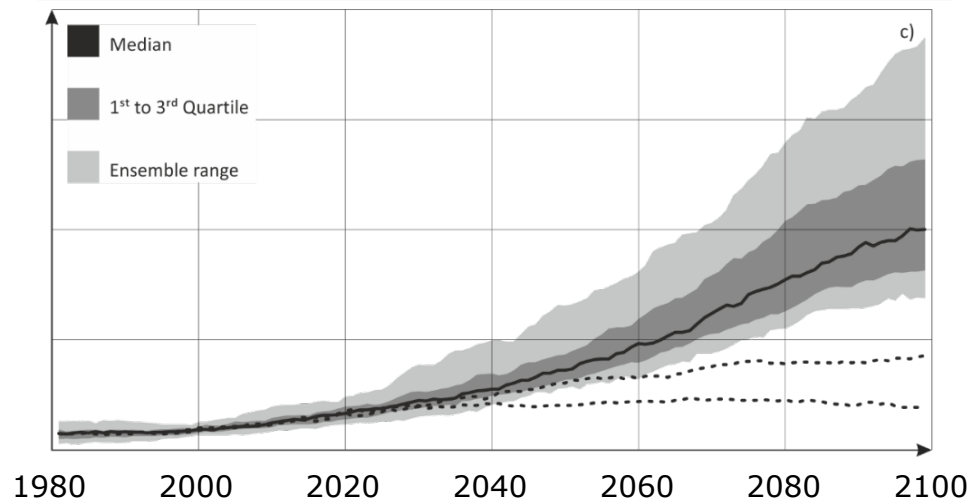


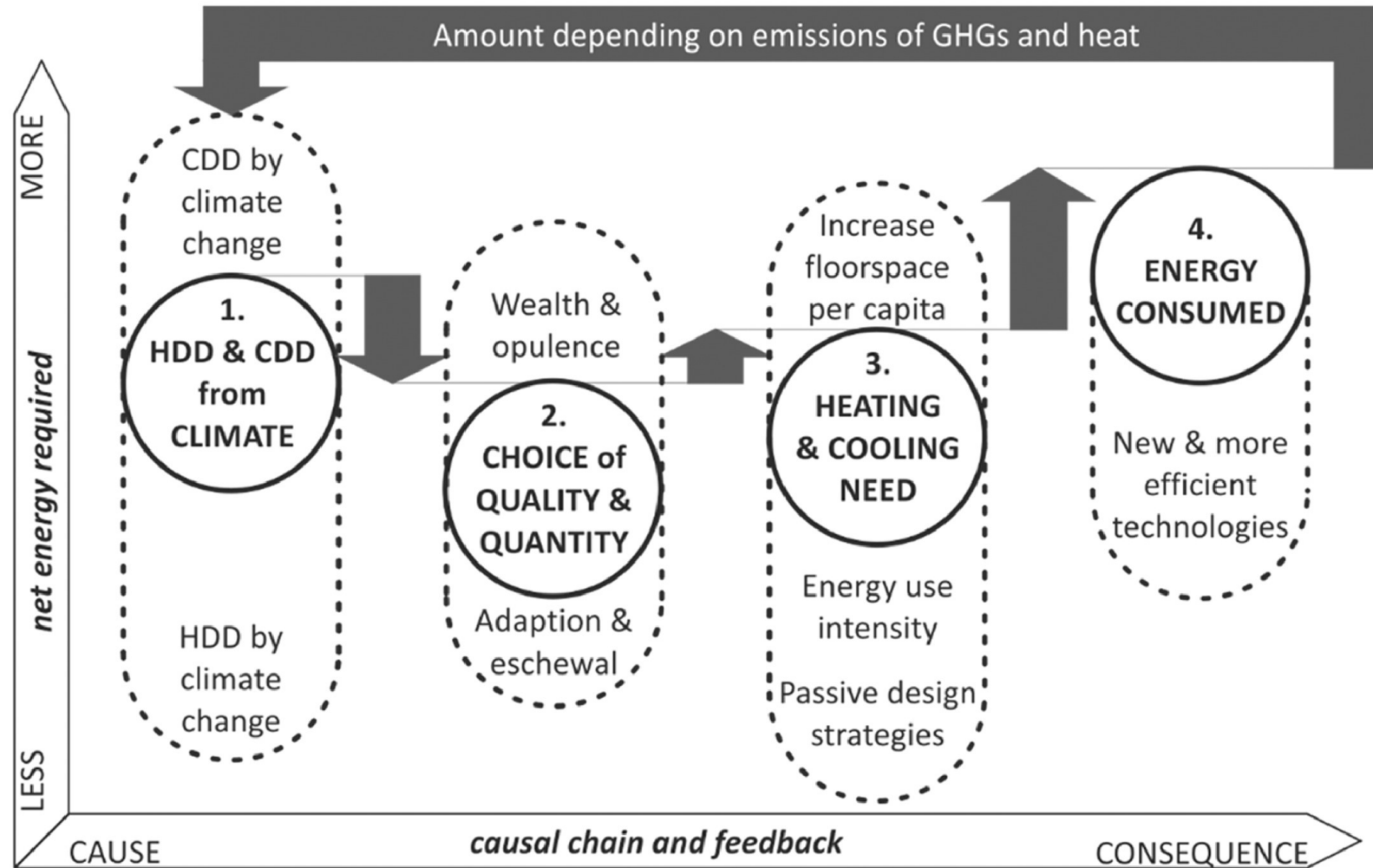
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Heating Degree Days ($\leq 12^{\circ}\text{C}$)



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Assessment of Storages

Techno-economic assessment

Energy data science

Modelling of thermal storage systems



Heat and Cold Storage

Storages for residential applications

Storages for the industry applications

Research on storage materials



Temperature Stability

High precision instrumentation

Temperature sensitive processes

Precision in MedTech and electronics



Three main frequency challenges

Minutes



Daily



Seasonal



Some numbers:

Estimated electricity lack in 2050: 9 TWh

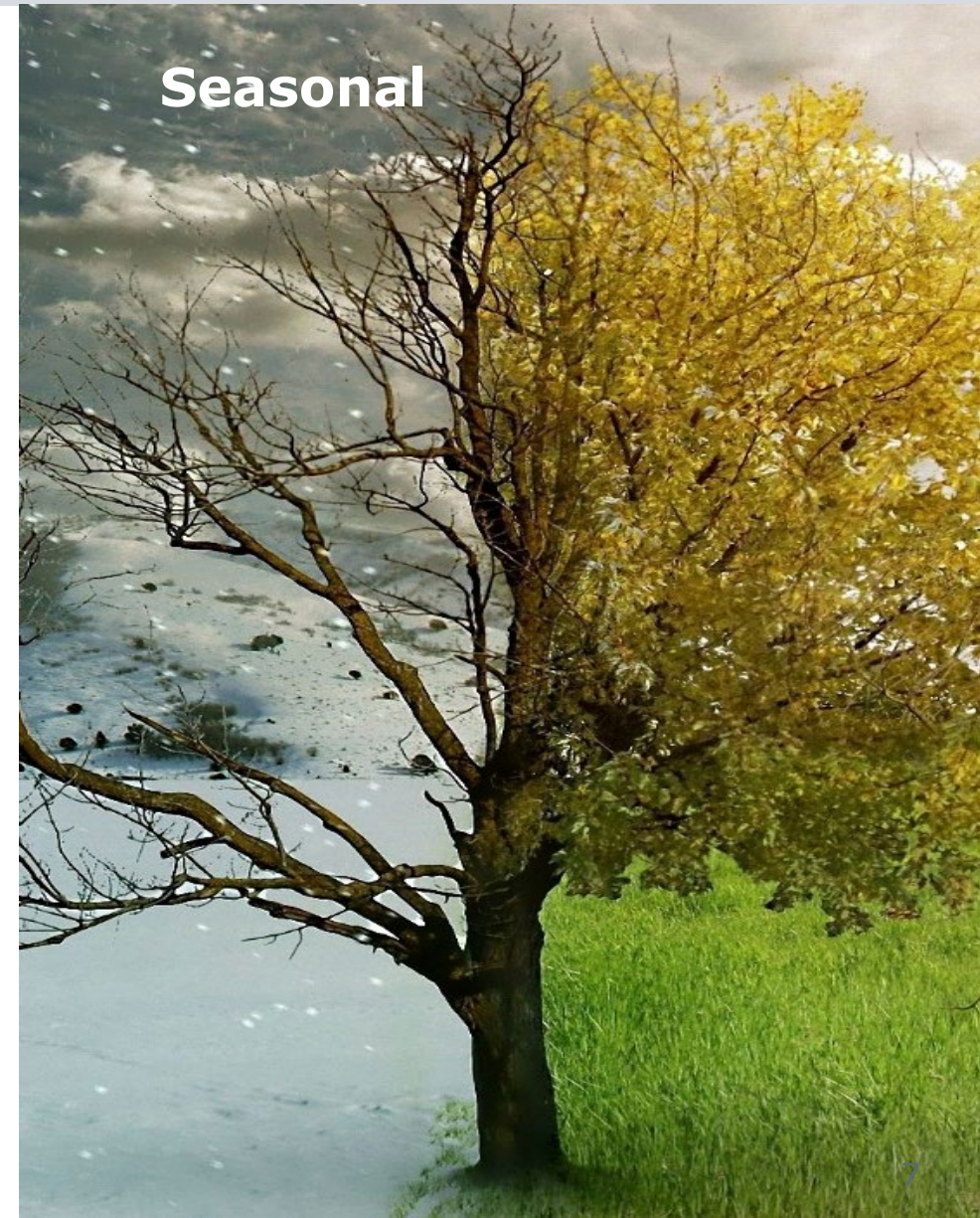
Estimated electricity demand for HP in 2050: 8.9 TWh

Simulation results for CO₂ net zero scenario

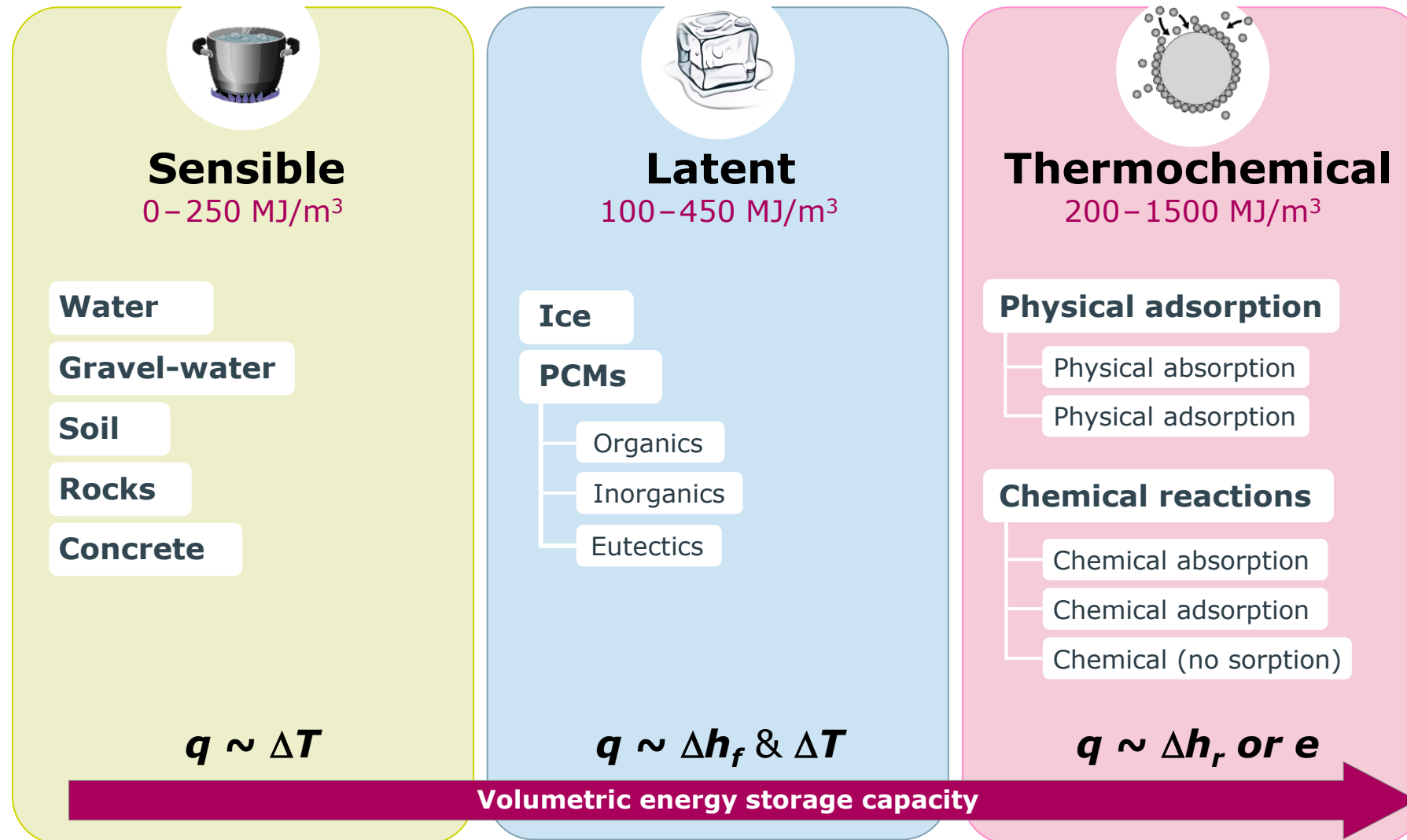
Estimated thermal energy for thermal grid HP: 6-8 TWh

Estimated thermal energy in district long term TES: 2-3 TWh

Potential reduction of seasonal electricity gap by long term TES:
10% - 20%



Three Main Classes of Thermal Energy Storage



Three Main Classes of Thermal Energy Storage

	Sensible	Latent	Thermochemical
Advantages	• No chemical decomposition • Non-corrosive • Non-flammable • Commercially available • Low cost	• High energy density • Temperature stability	• Very high energy density • No thermal losses
Challenges	• Low energy density → large volume • Heat losses → self-discharge	• Supercooling • Phase segregation • Corrosiveness • Poor heat transfer • High cost	• Low chemical stability • Poor heat and mass transfer • Effective energy density still low • Very high cost

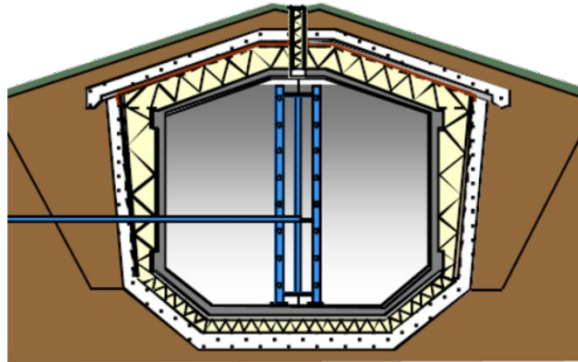


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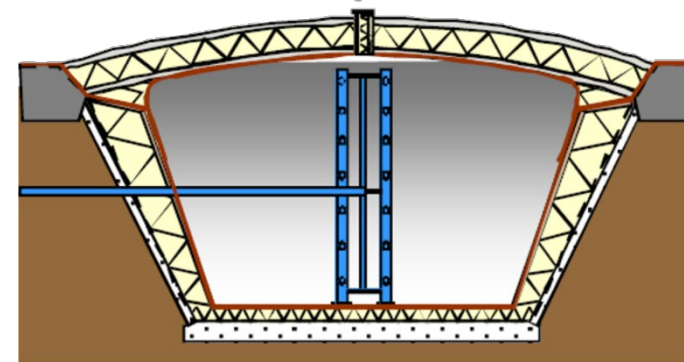


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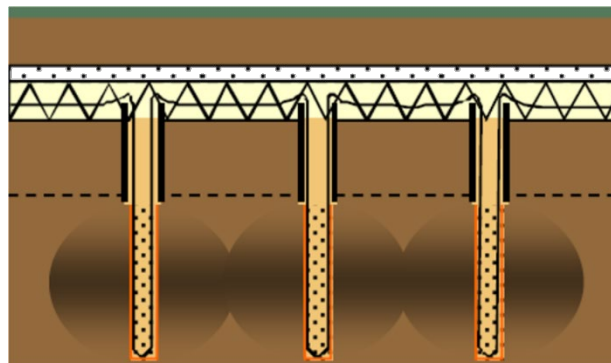
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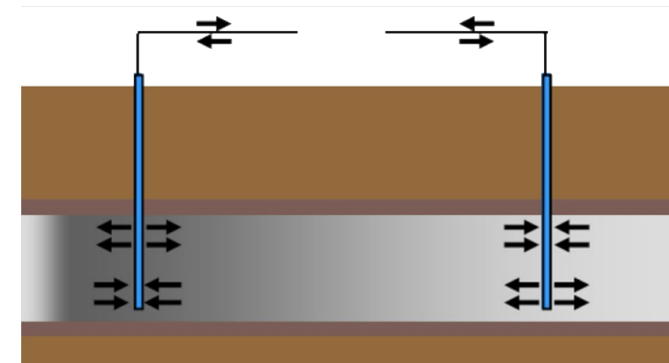
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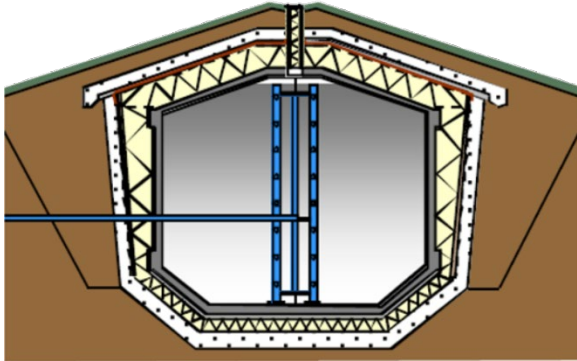
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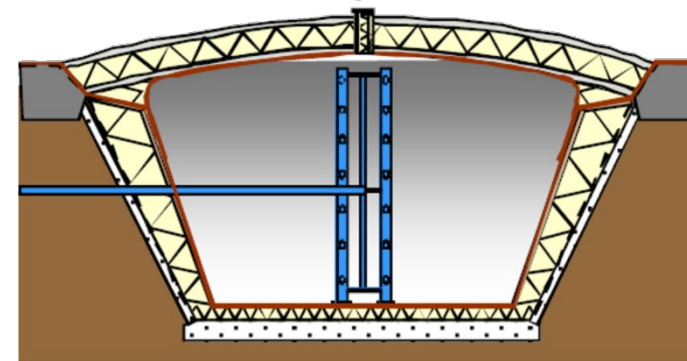
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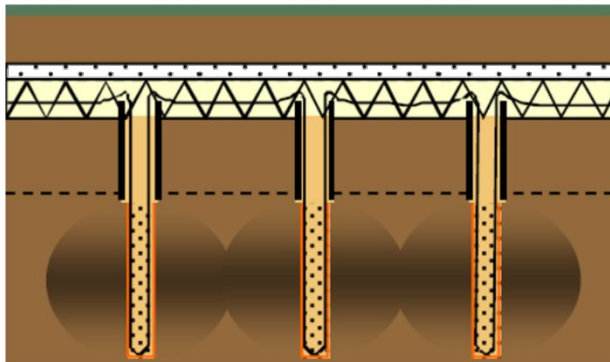
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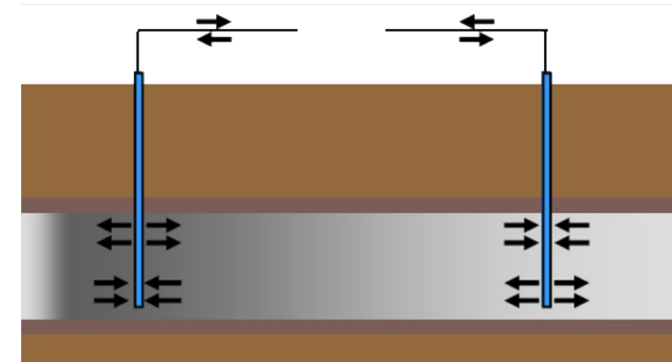
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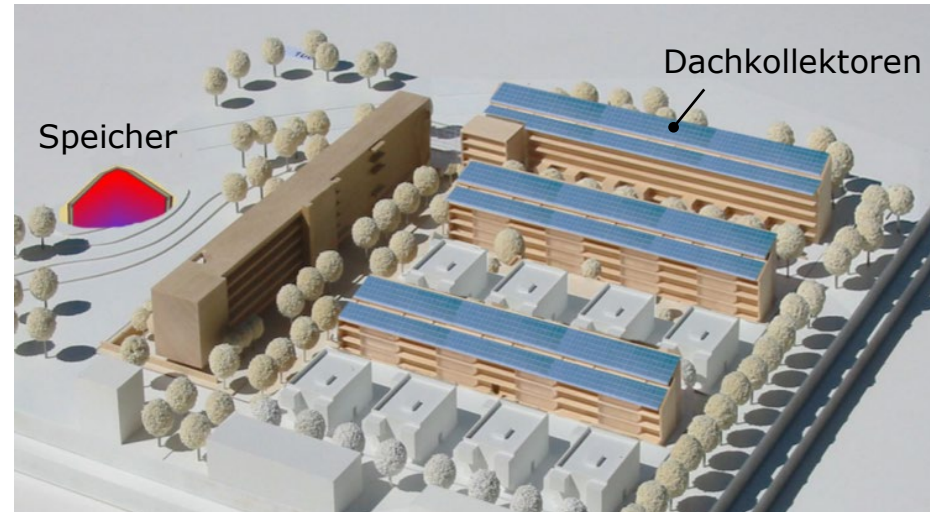
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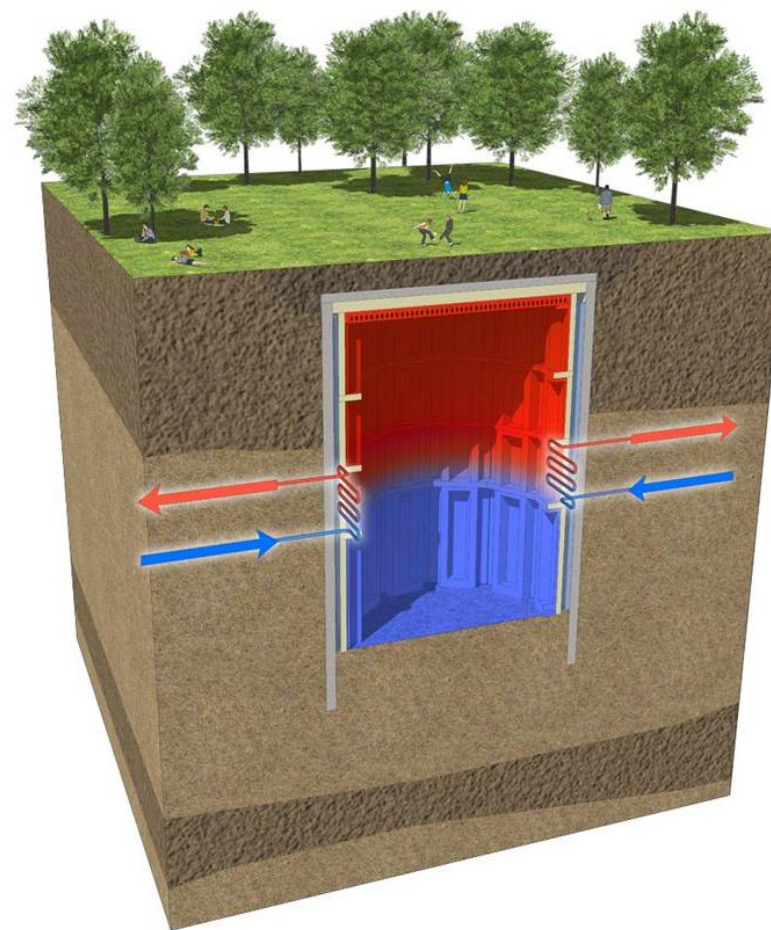
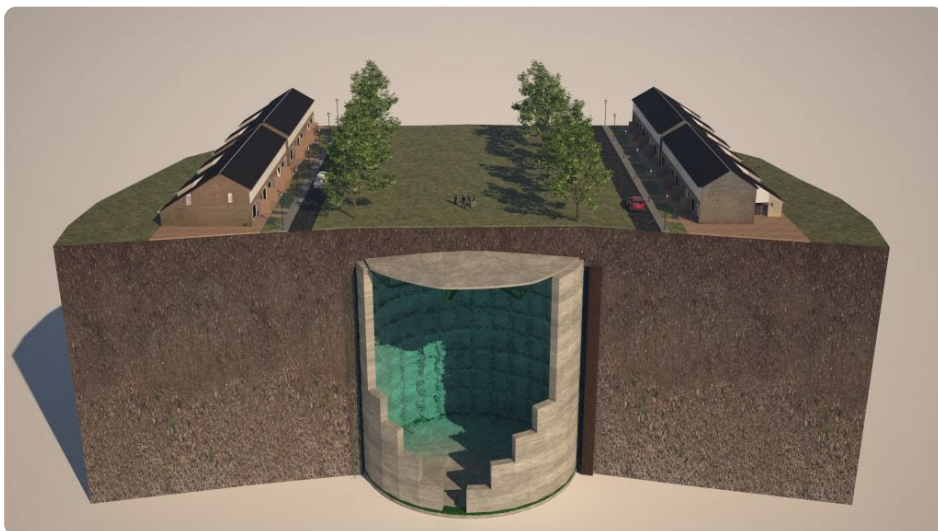
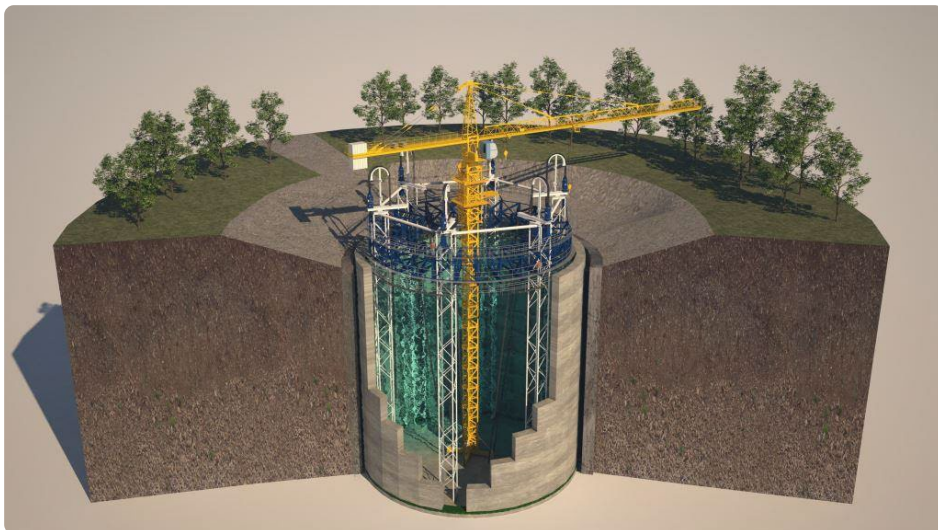
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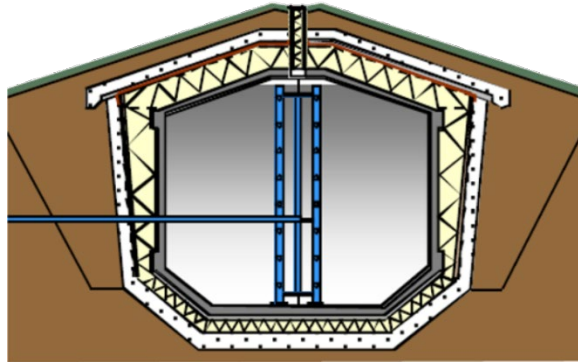
Container Heat Storage, Munich, 5'700 m³



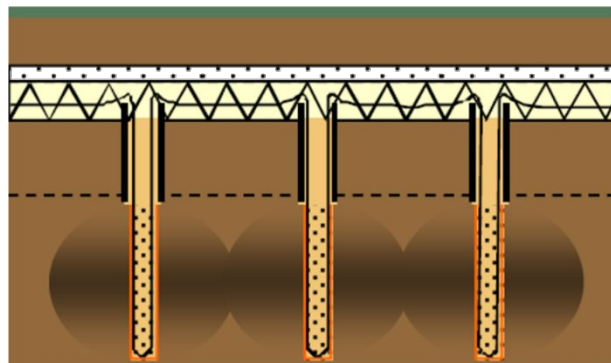
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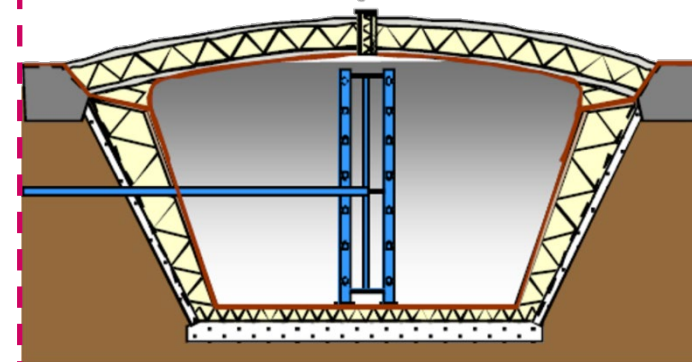
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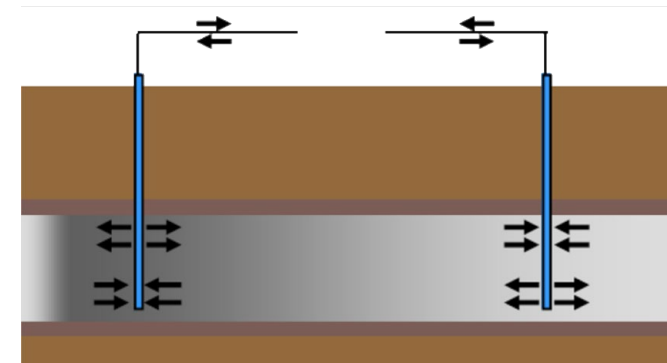
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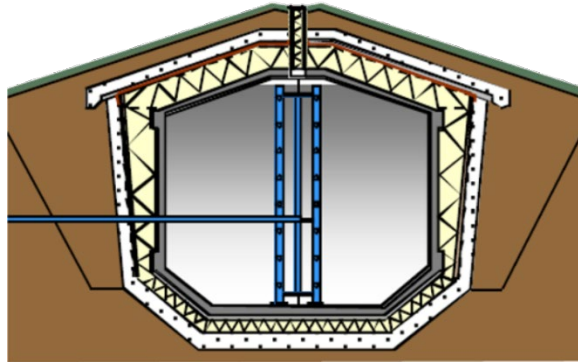
Pit Heat Storage, Vojens, Denmark, 200'000 m³



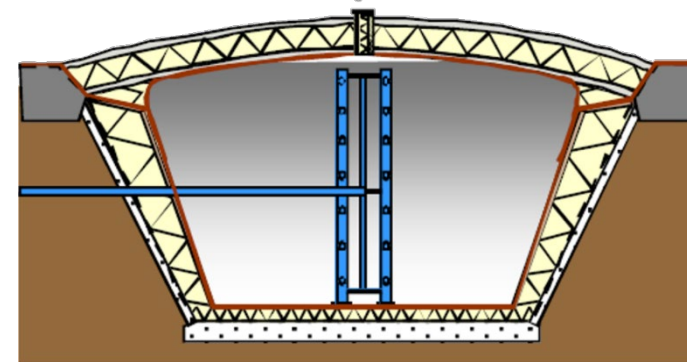
- **Solar Fraction:** 45 – 50%
- **Annual Production:** 28'000 MWh
- **Peak Power:** 49 MW
- **Collector Area:** 70'000 m²
- **Costs:** 28 CHF/m³ (~0.5 CHF/kWh)



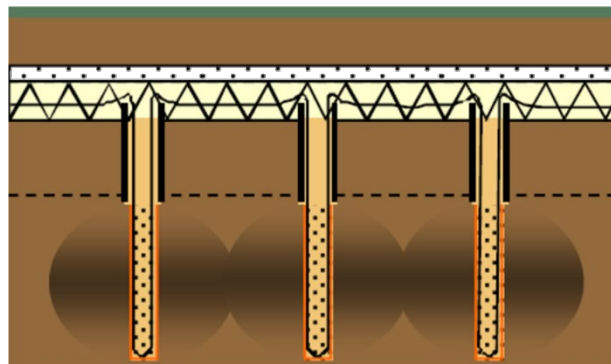
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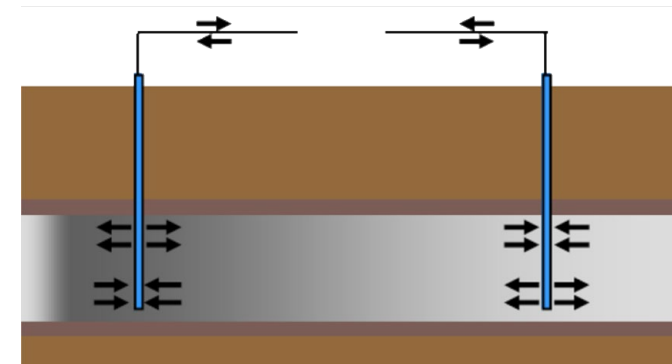
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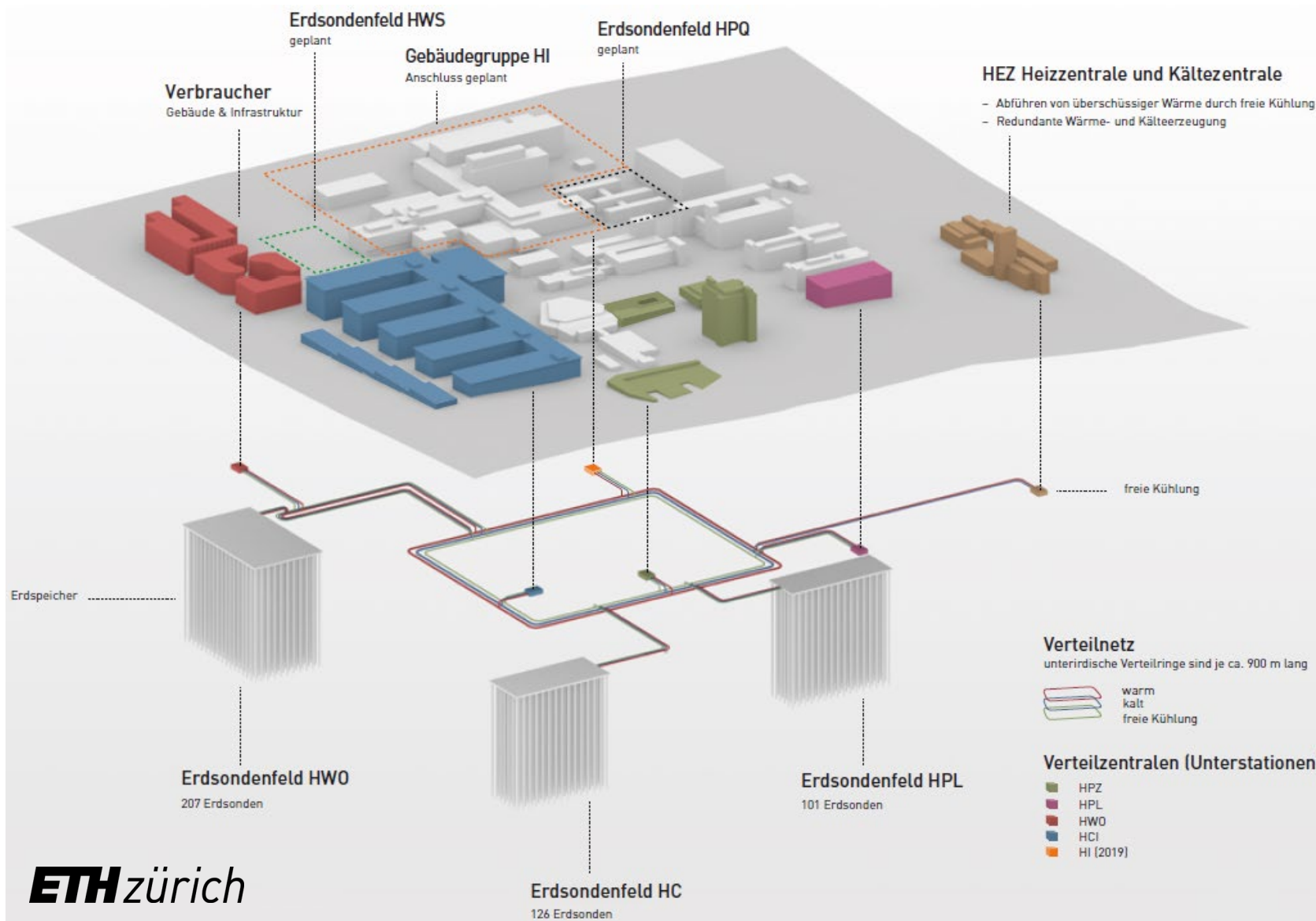


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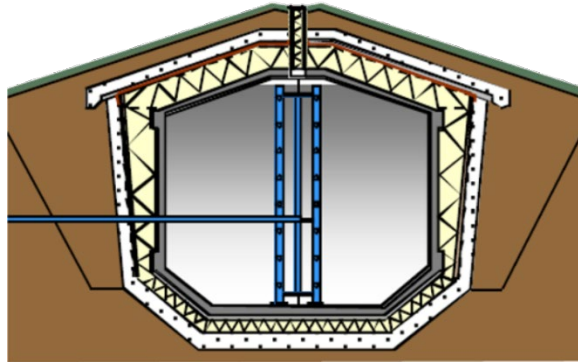
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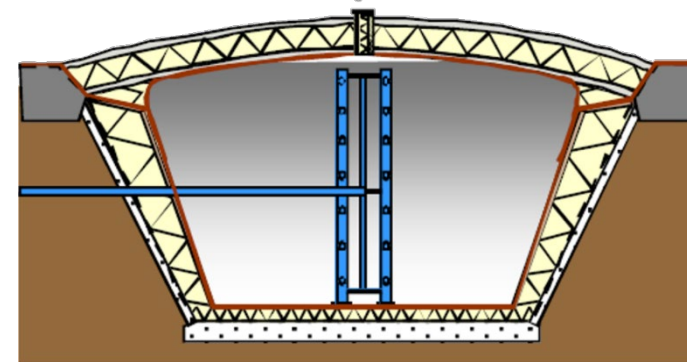


- **431 Boreholes** (200 m each)
- Max. Power: **5.2 MW** (at 60 W/m)
- JAZ: **5.2 – 7.8**
- Covering heat demand by: **95%**
- Covering cooling demand by: **63%**

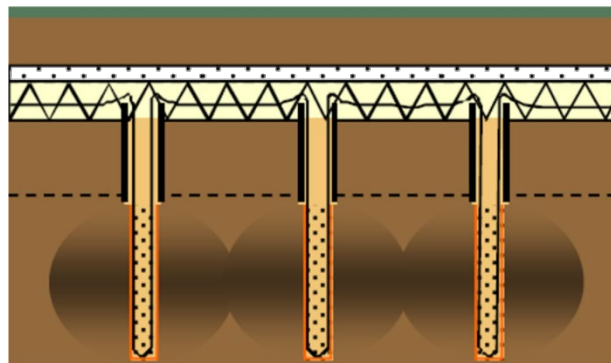
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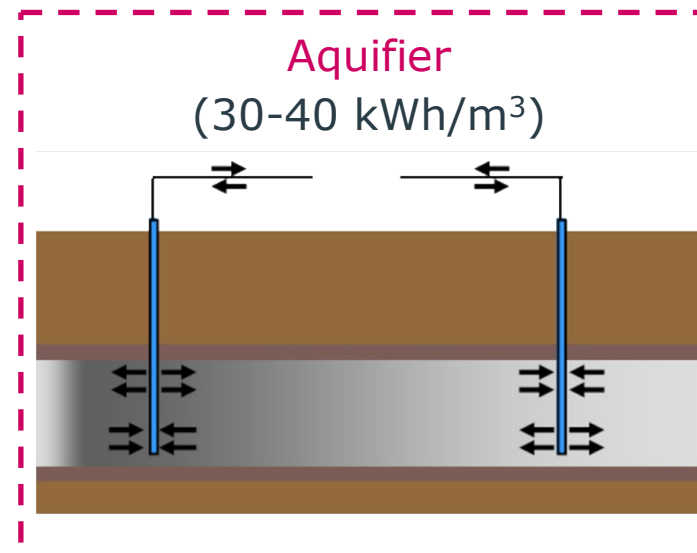
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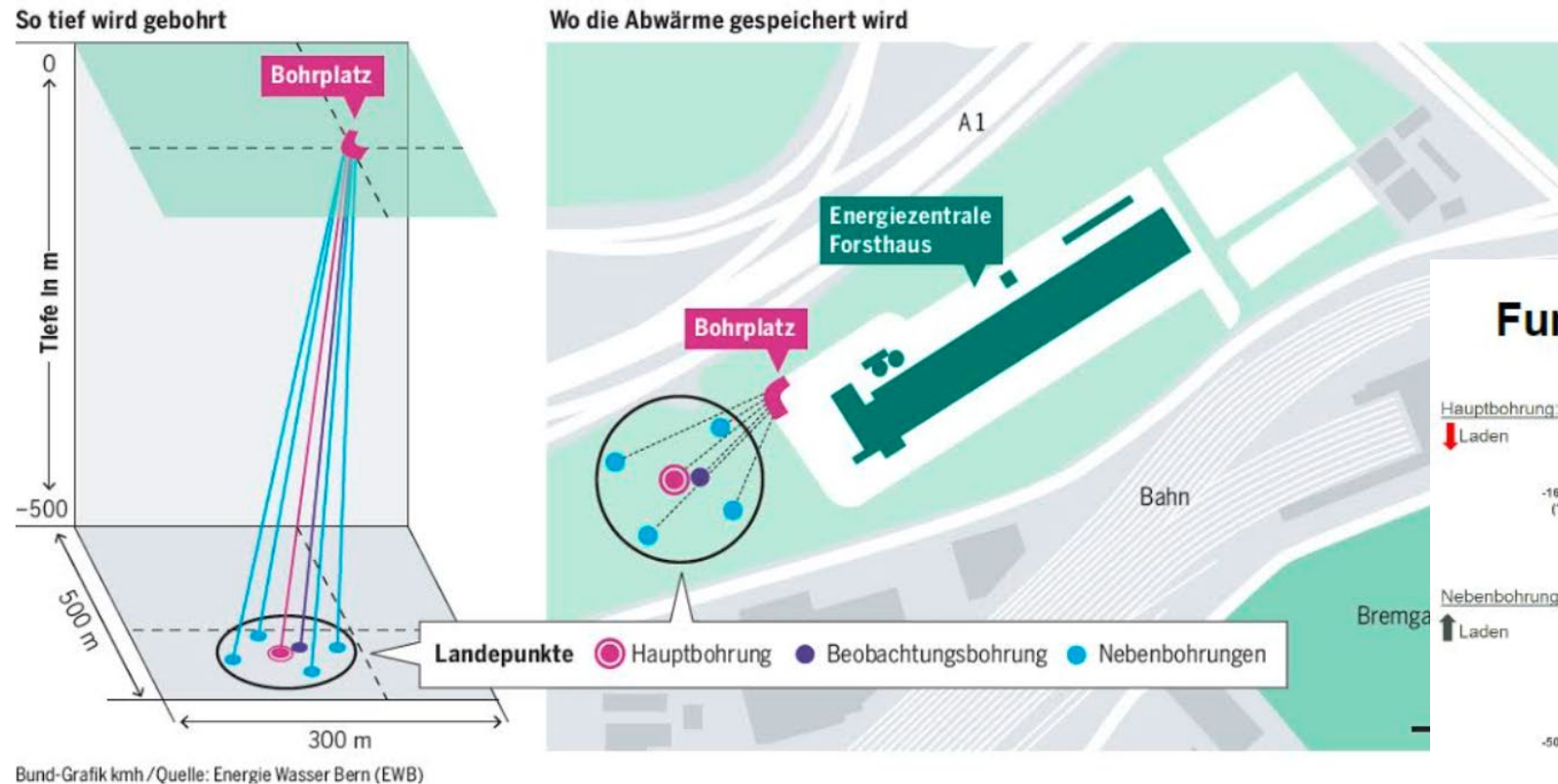
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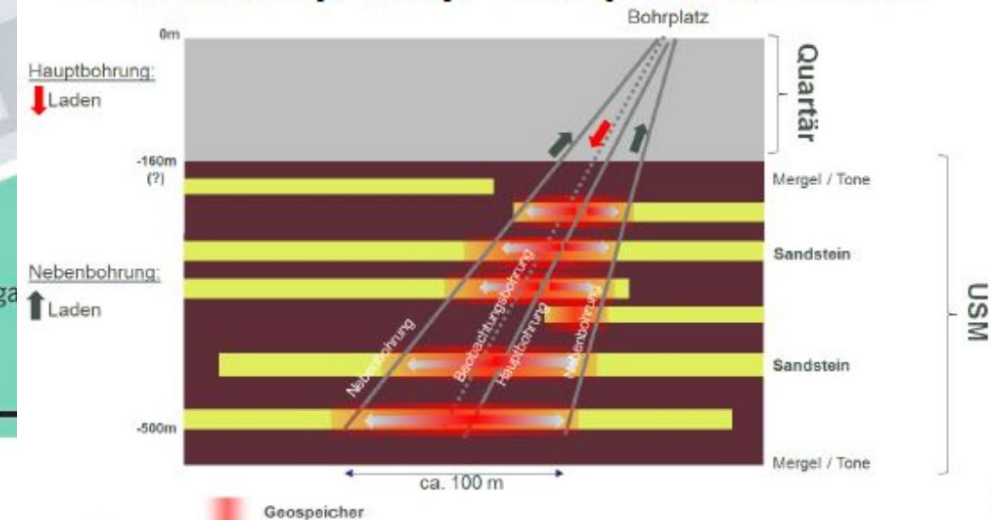


Der Bohrplatz von Energie Wasser Bern



- Depth: 200–500 m
- Drillings: 3–6
- Thermal Power: 3–12 MW_{th}
- Costs: CHF 6.8–13.8 Mio.

Funktionsprinzip Geospeicher Laden



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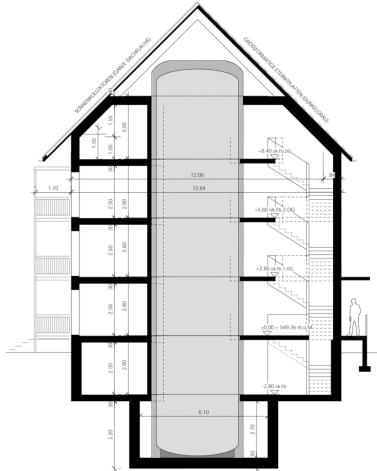
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Hot-water tank ~95°C

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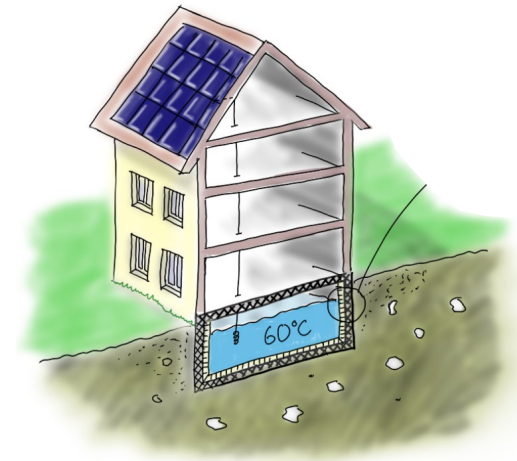
Hot-water tank (vacuum-insulated) ~95°C

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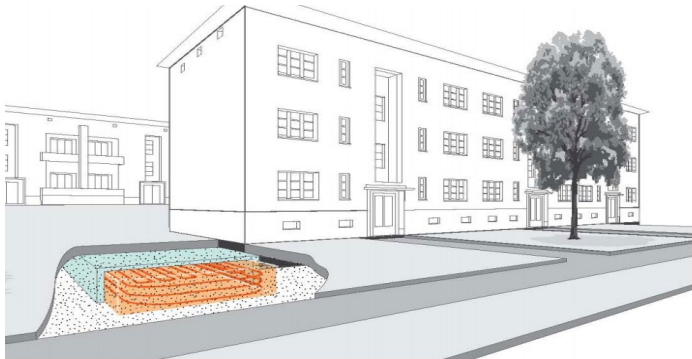
Hot-water enclosure ~60°C

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Ground heat exchanger (eTank) ~25°C

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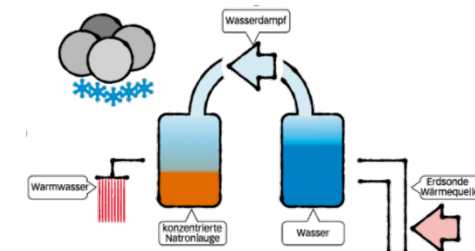


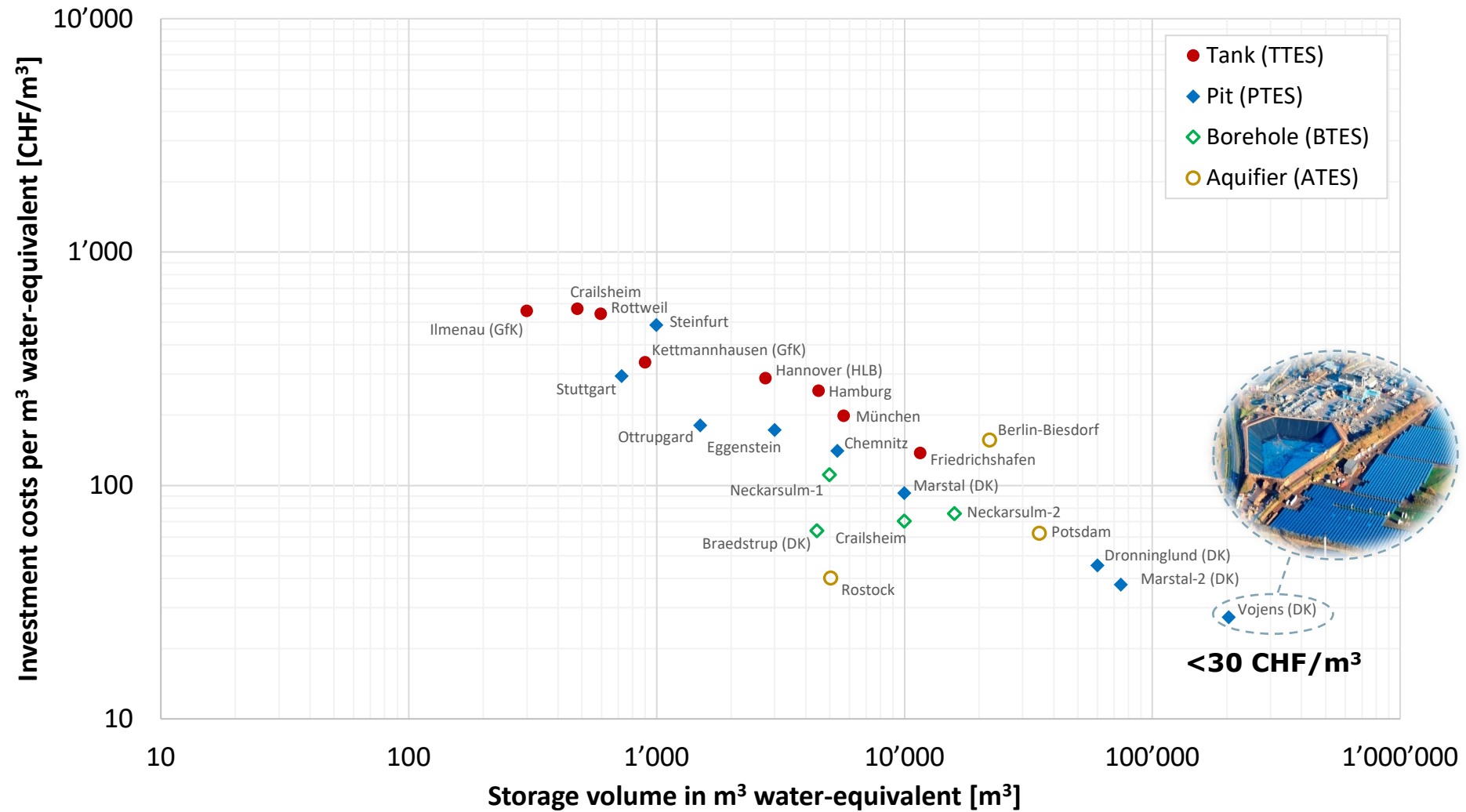
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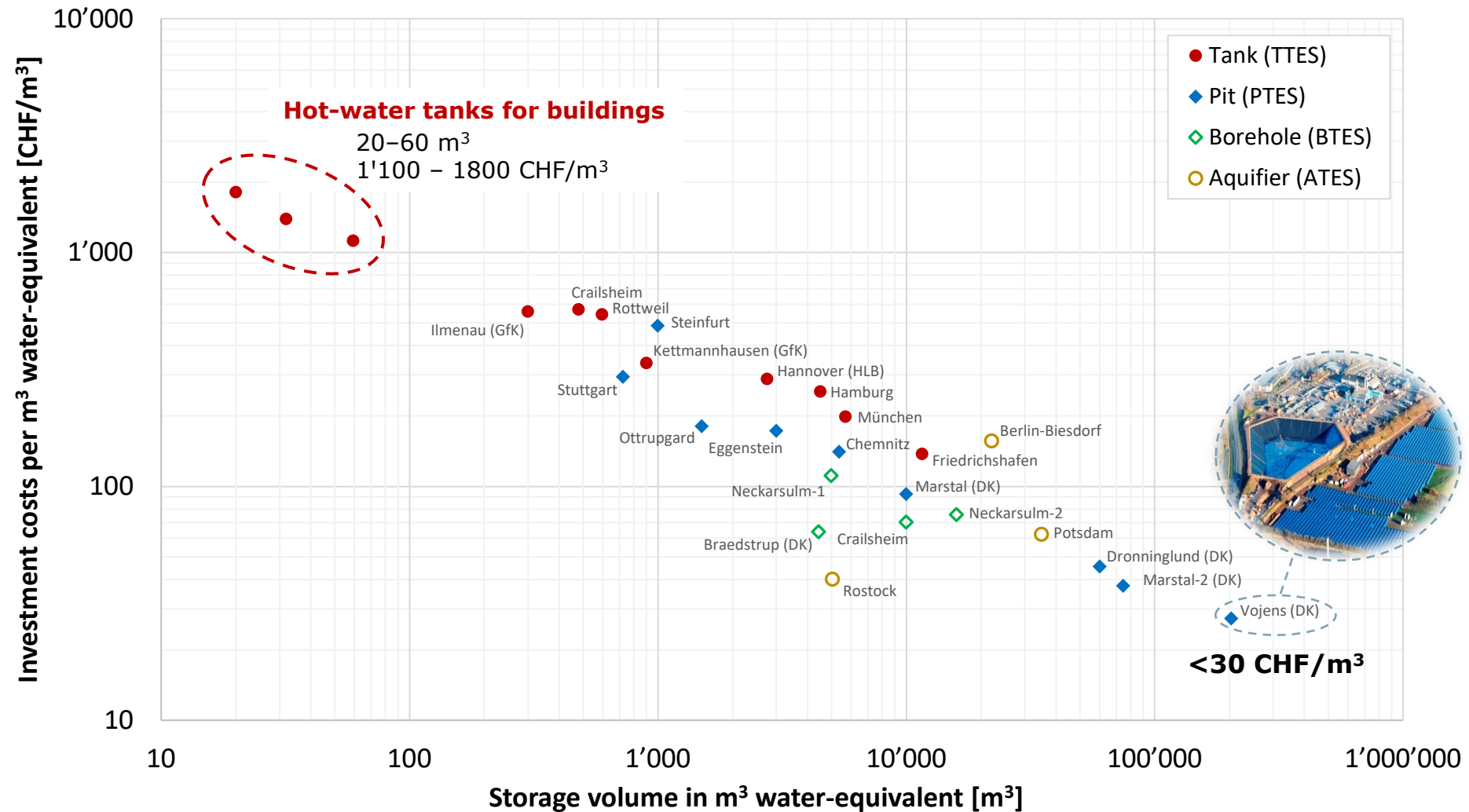




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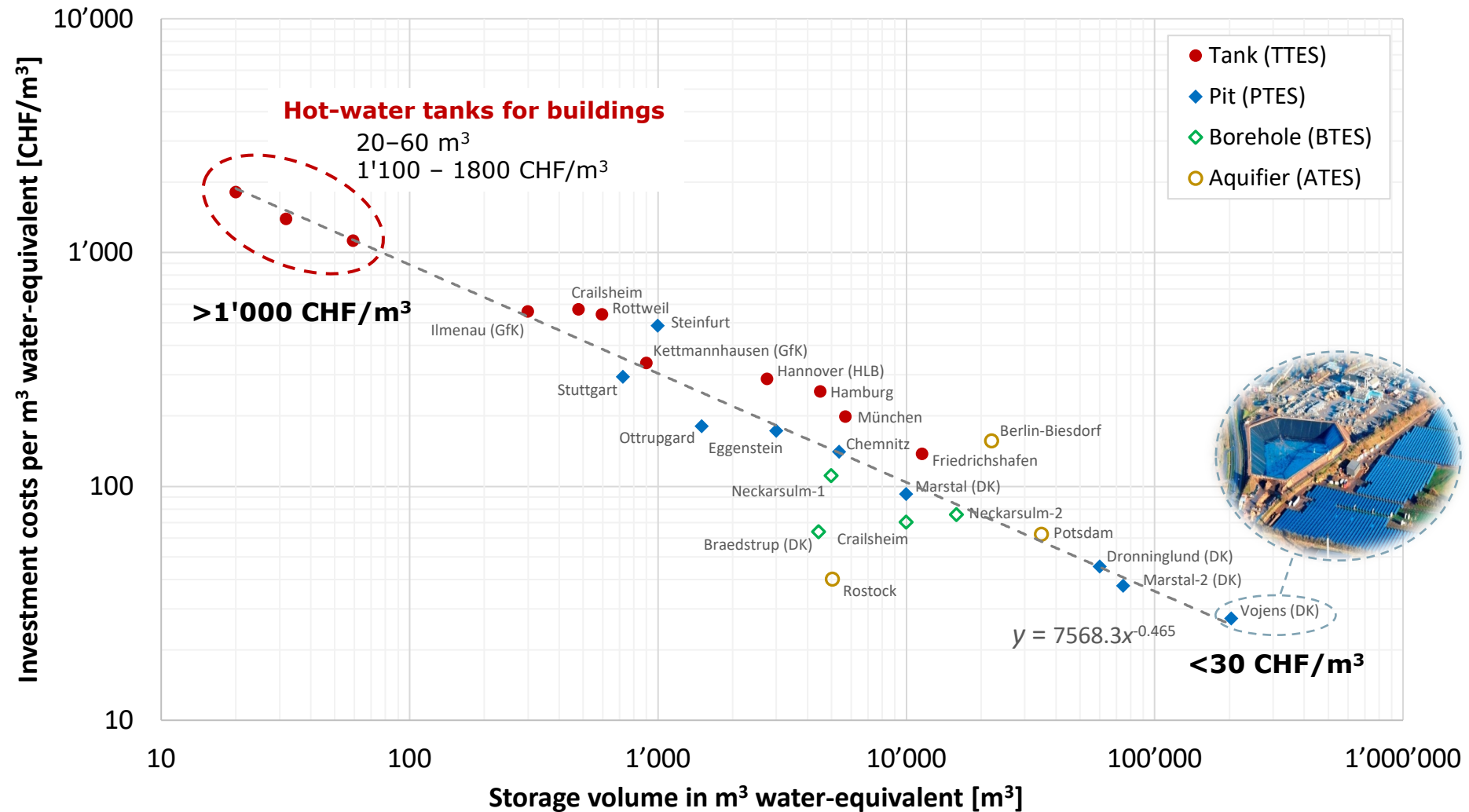
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Term Thermal Energy Storage – Research Questions CC TES

RQ1

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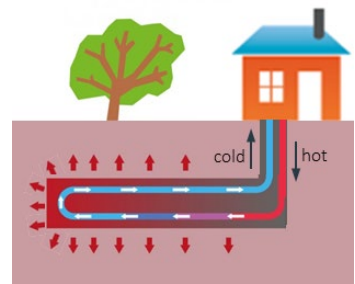
RQ4

How to **reduce the visual and physical impact** of STES systems?



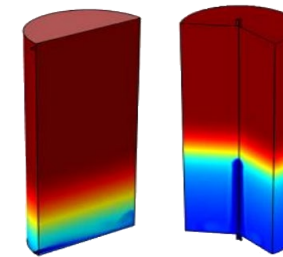
RQ2

What is the potential of **storing heat in the ground** for STES?



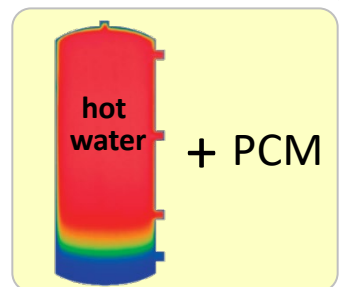
RQ5

How to further improve the performance of **physical models** of STES systems?



RQ3

What is the potential of **combining sensible and latent** for STES?

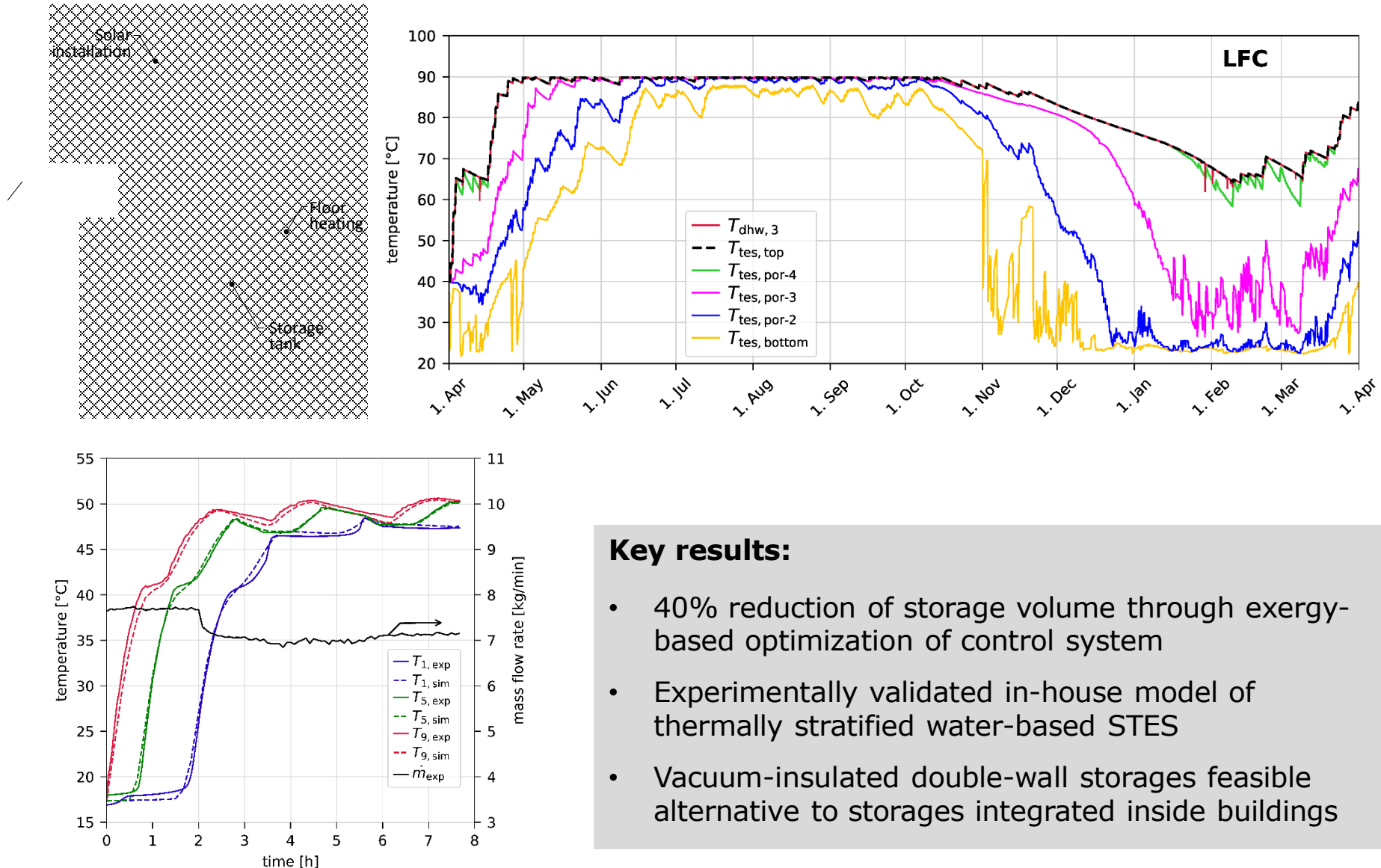


RQ6

How to increase **the social acceptance** of thermal energy storage technologies in CH?



RQ1&4: Importance of stratification and control algorithms



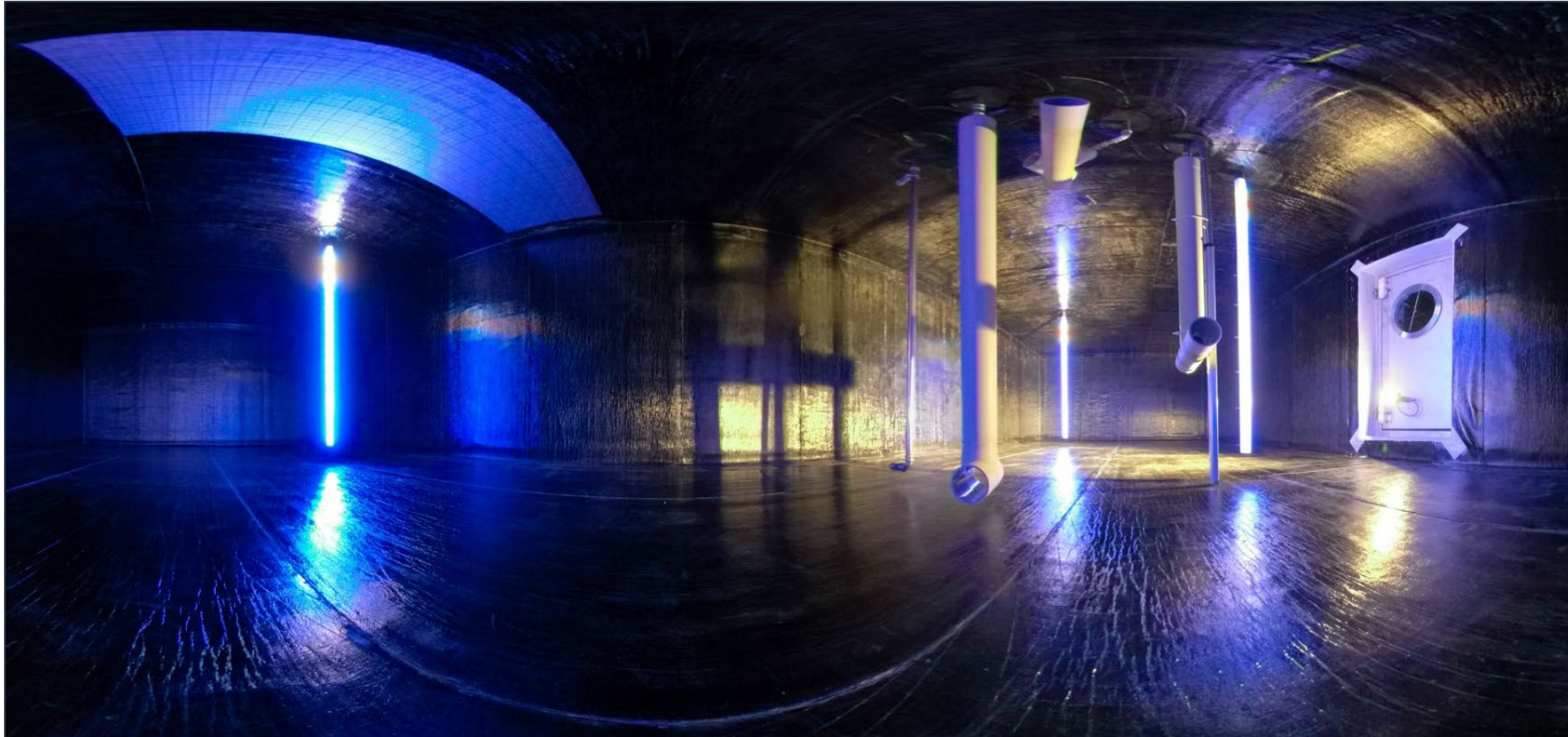
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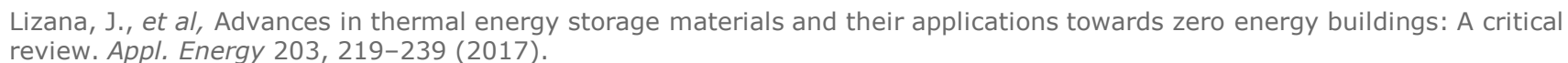
- 40% reduction of storage volume through exergy-based optimization of control system
- Experimentally validated in-house model of thermally stratified water-based STES
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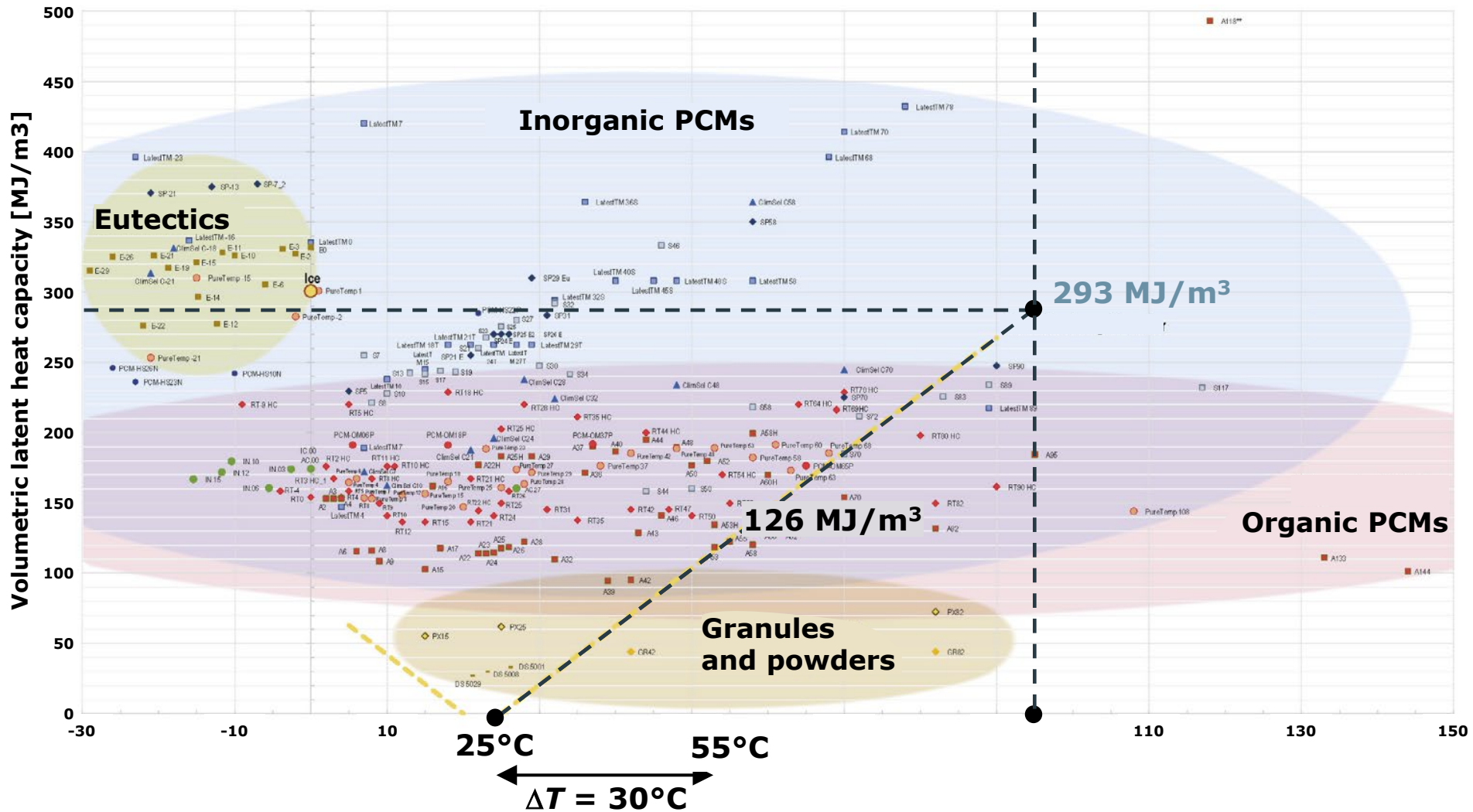
RQ1&4: Reutilization of underground enclosures



- Suitable cost-effective materials for 65°C (to 90°C) and a lifetime of 50 years
- 100-m³ demonstration plant built and commissioned

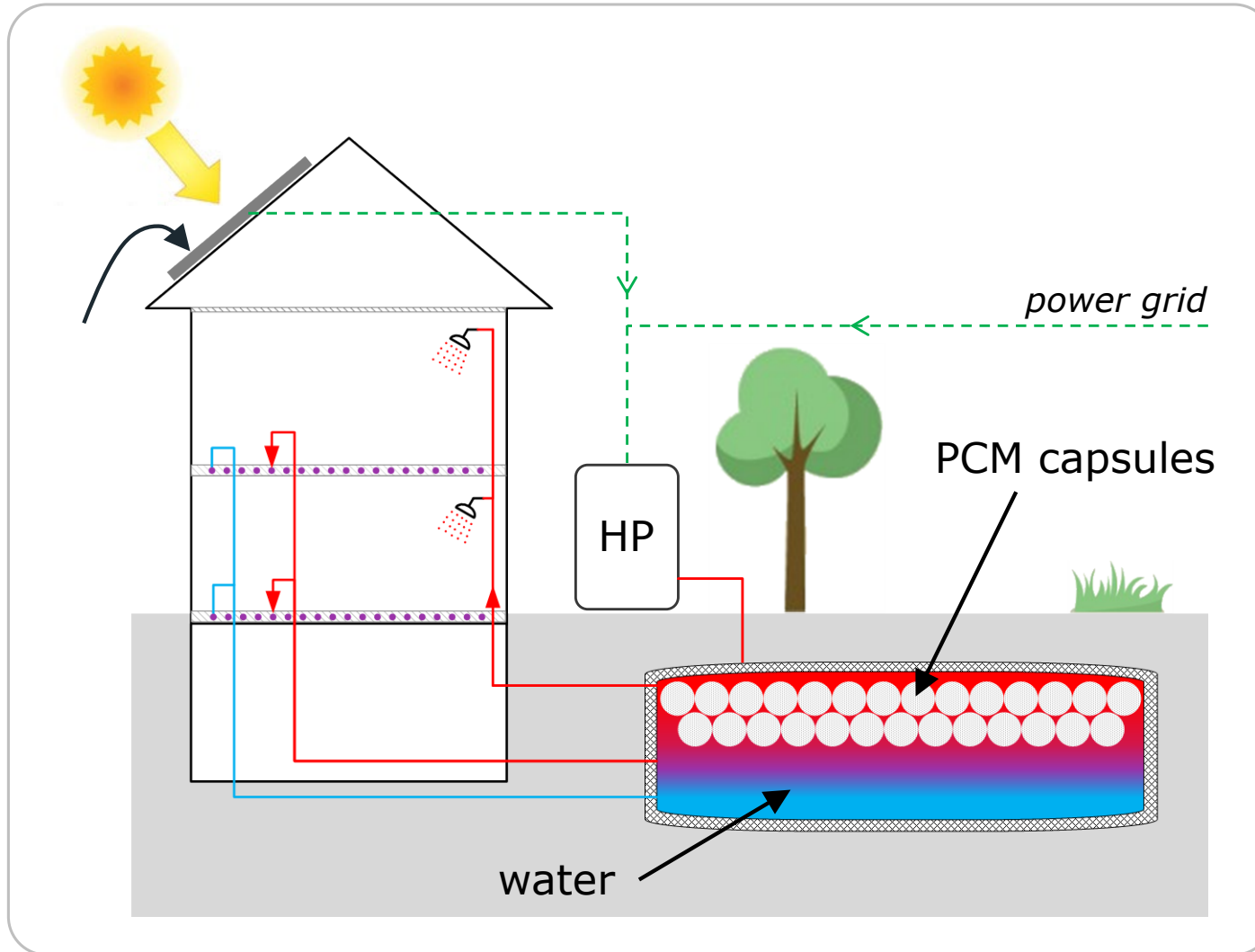




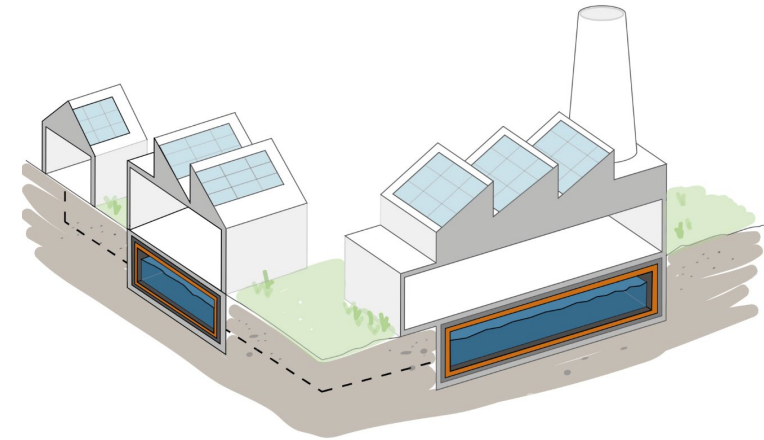
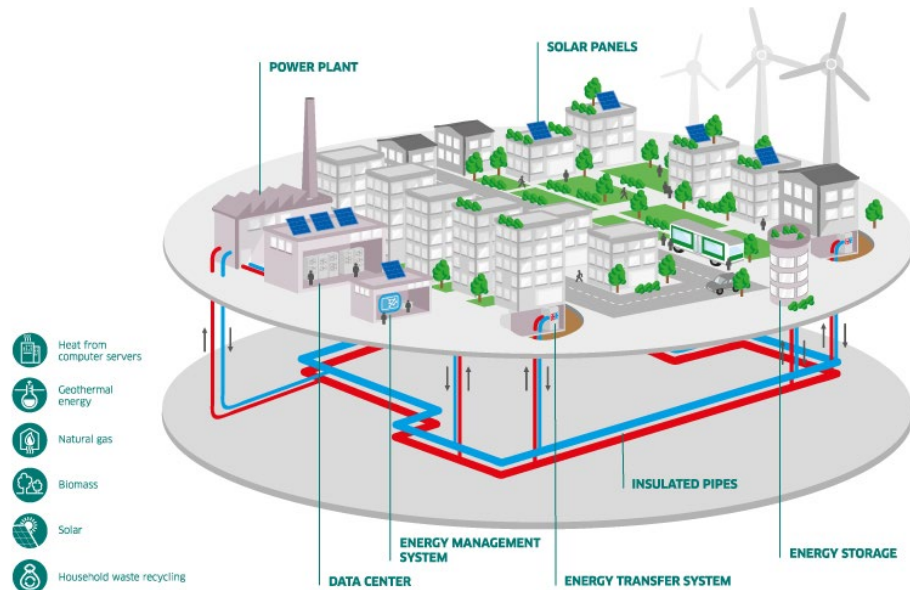


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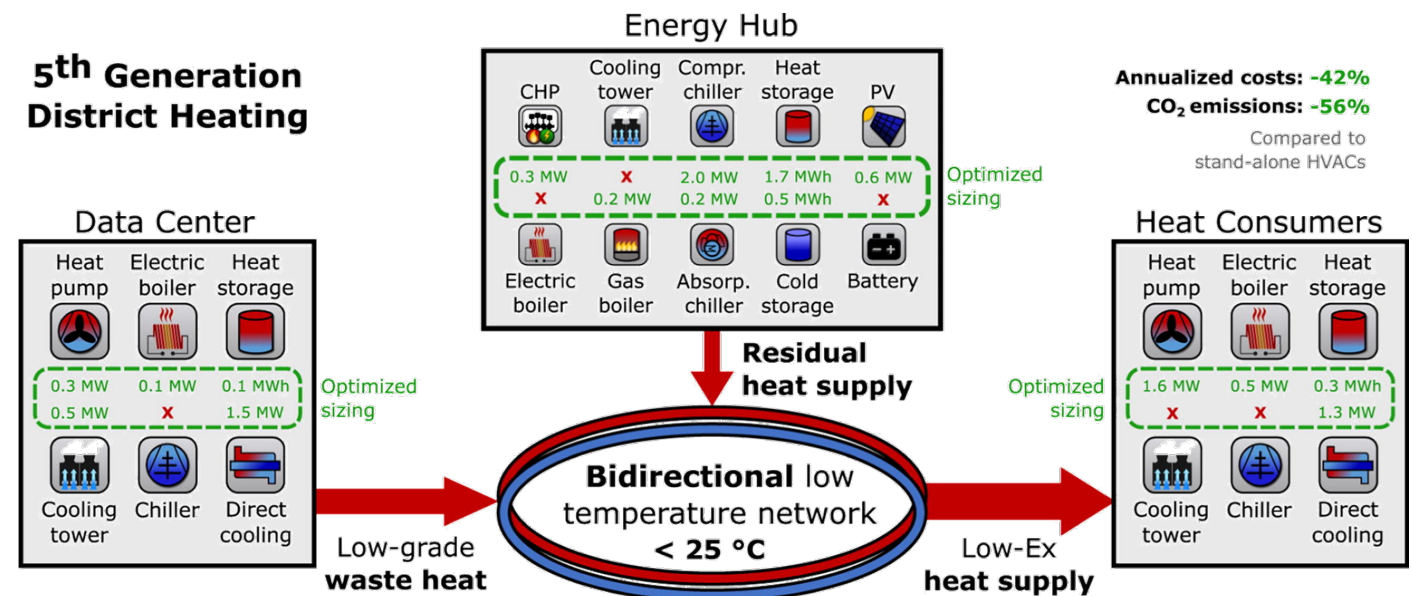
RQ4: Possibilities with Latent Materials



RQ1,3&4: Possibilities with Latent Materials



5th Generation District Heating



Focus on economic solutions and LCA is important

Focus on role in the energy system stays important

Focus on political, social and legal aspects is important

Long term research on thermochemical and latent storages stays important

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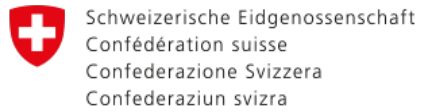


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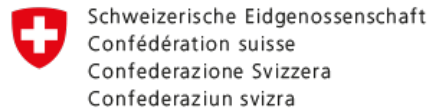


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