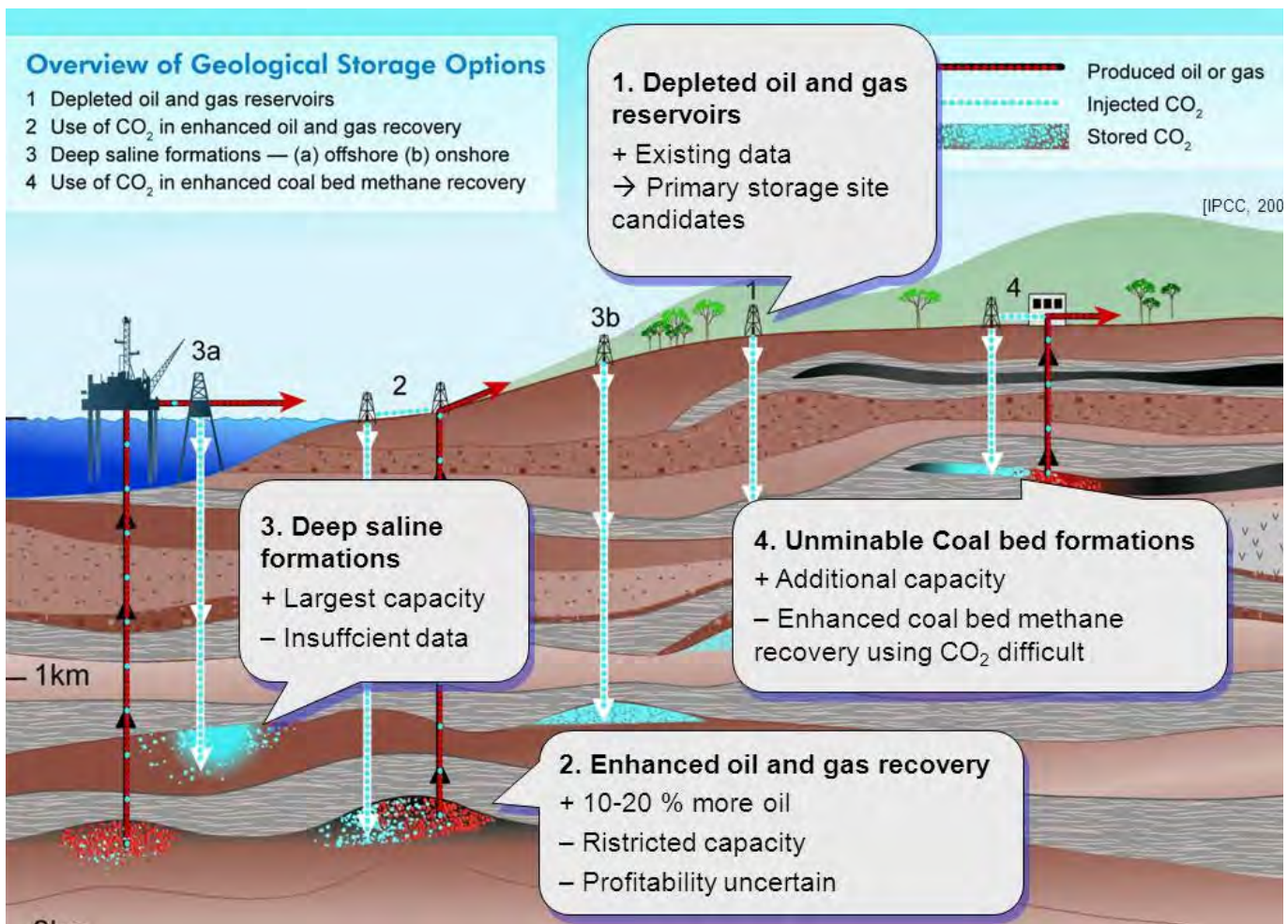


Storage and transportation solutions for the Baltic Sea region

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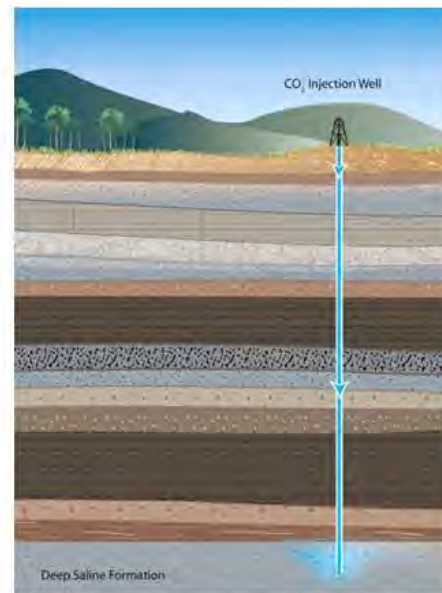
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Geological storage of CO₂ doable, but challenging

- Most of the technology existing in the oil and gas industry
- Physical criteria for a storage site
 - Capacity: tens of Mt CO₂
 - Permanence >1000 years
 - Reliability
 - Safety
 - Environmental impact
 - Costs: 1-20 € (ZEP, 2011)
- Legal and social criteria
 - Location (EEA)
 - Acceptability

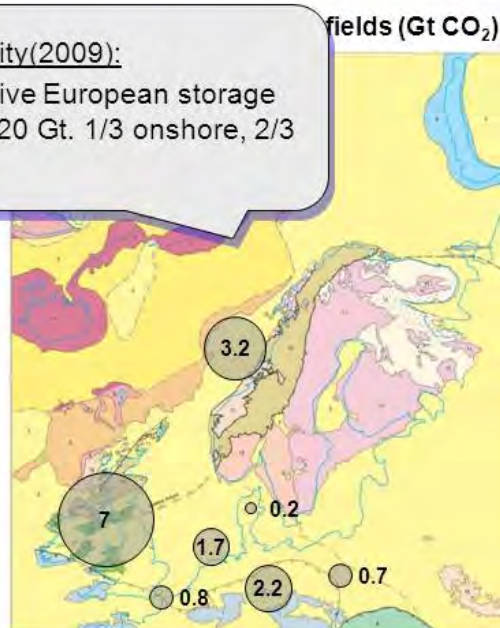


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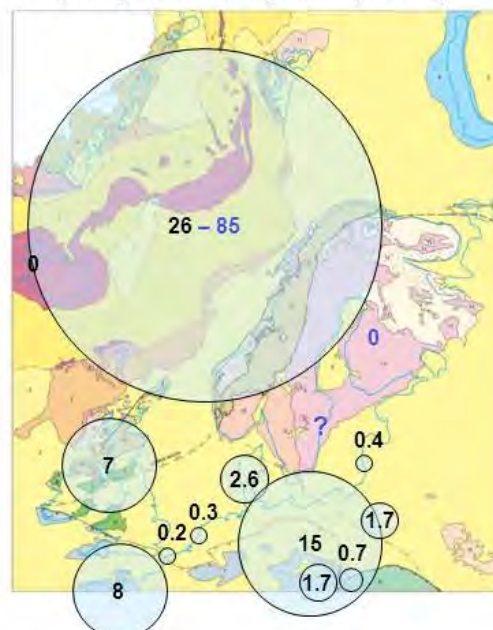
Current knowledge on geological storage capacity

Geocapacity(2009):

Conservative European storage capacity 120 Gt. 1/3 onshore, 2/3 offshore.



Capacity in saline aquifers (Gt CO₂)



(Data: GeoCapacity 2009; VTT 2010 – Russia and not included in study)

CO₂ capacity for Baltic Sea countries

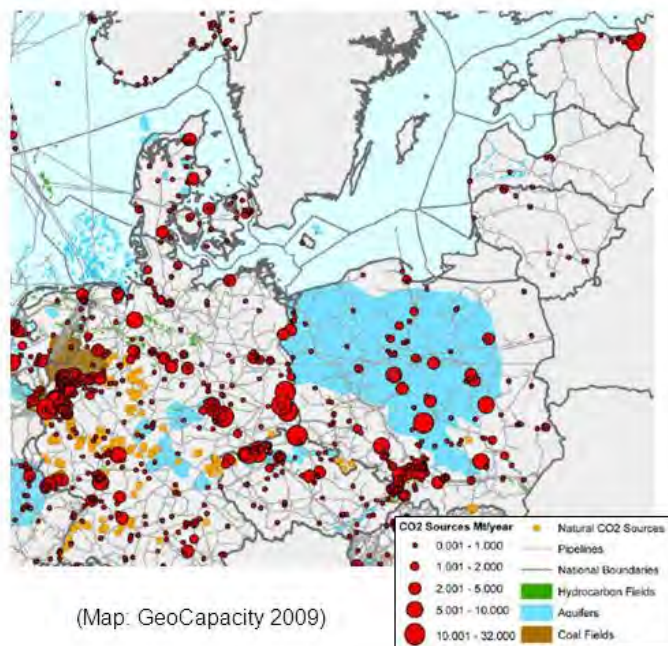
Country	Annual CO ₂ emissions from large point sources (Mt)	CO ₂ storage capacity in deep saline aquifers (Mt)	CO ₂ storage capacity in hydrocarbon fields (Mt)	CO ₂ storage capacity in coal fields (Mt)
Estonia	12	-	-	-
Latvia	2	404	-	-
Lithuania	6	30	7	-
Poland	188	1761	764	415
Germany	465	14900	2180	-
Denmark	28	2553	203	-
Sweden	19	?	?	-
Finland	40	-	-	-
Russia	?	?	?	?
	760	19648	3154	415

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CO₂ capacity for Baltic Sea countries

- Mostly onshore capacity
 - What about public acceptance?
 - Onshore vs. offshore → Large impact for CO₂ transportation costs

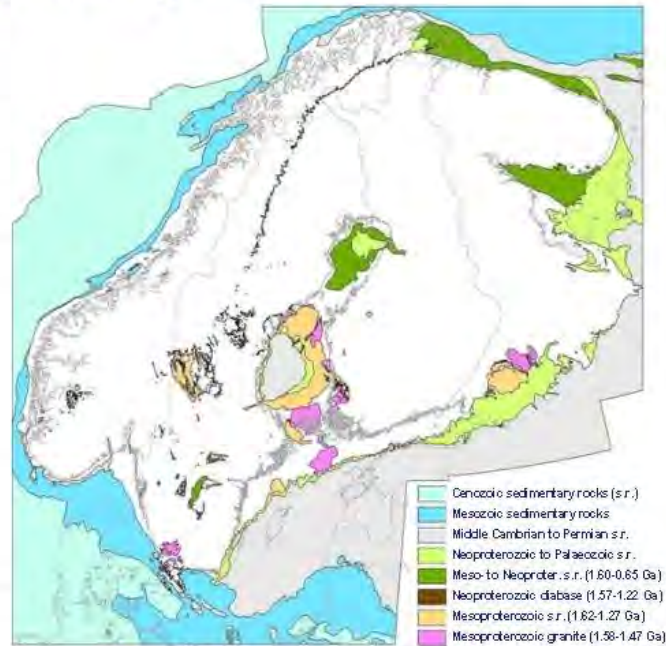
- Need for data
 - Formations in the Baltic Sea currently being assessed (BASTOR)
 - Russia's capacity largely unknown



(Map: GeoCapacity 2009)

Case Finland: No formations for long-term underground storage of CO₂

- Finnish bedrock belongs to the Fennoscandian shield area
 - No hydrocarbon reservoirs
 - Sedimentary rocks are very compact
 - Occurrence of saline aquifers unlikely
 - Bedrock may be suitable for intermediate storage of CO₂
 - High availability of rocks suitable for mineral carbonation with CO₂
 - Carbonation technology not (yet) feasible for storage
- **Captured CO₂ has to be transported abroad for storage**



CCS Finland (2008-2011)



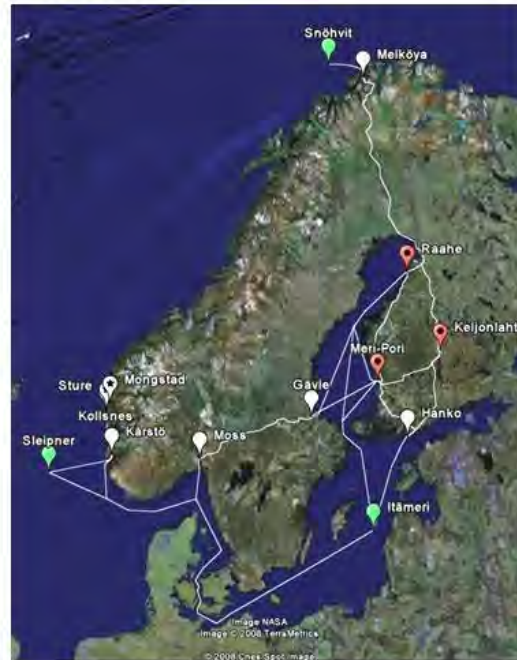
Transportation of CO₂

- Pipelines commercially established technology
 - High investment costs
 - Cheaper CO₂-unit costs for larger volumes
 - Costs relatively linear to transportation distance
- Tankers commercially available technology, but less experience from large volumes
 - Cheaper for long distances (>1000 km) and smaller CO₂ volumes



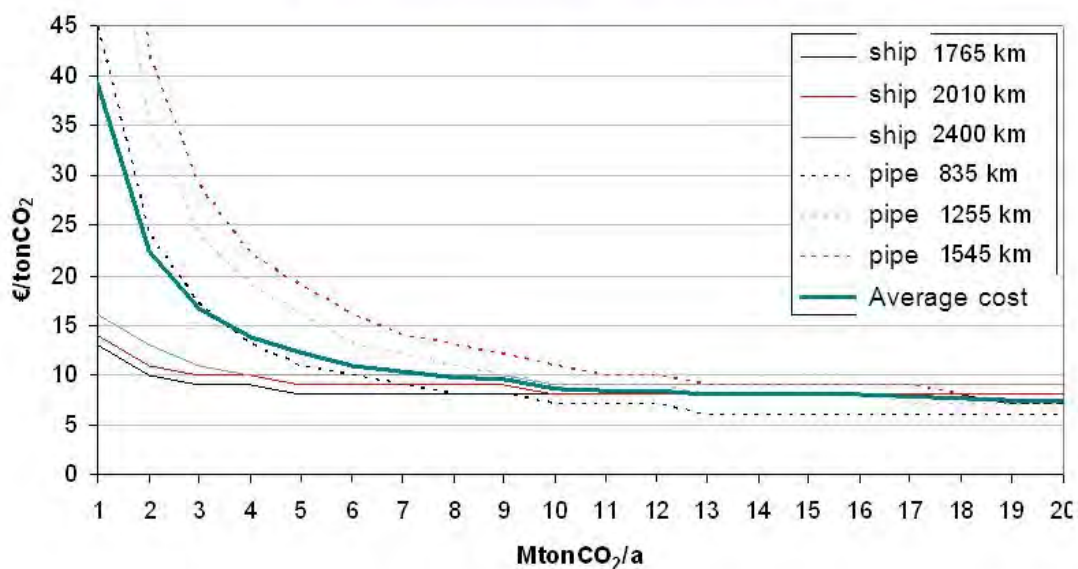
Case Finland: Cost analysis for transportation

- Comprehensive cost analysis of transportation costs performed
 - Ship and/or pipeline transportation
- Transportation routes to current storage activities in the North Sea
- Ship transportation best alternative for Finland
 - Costs for transportation 10-20 €/t CO₂
- Pipeline transportation competitive >10 Mt/a
 - Largest single source in Finland Raahe steel plant (~4 Mt/a)



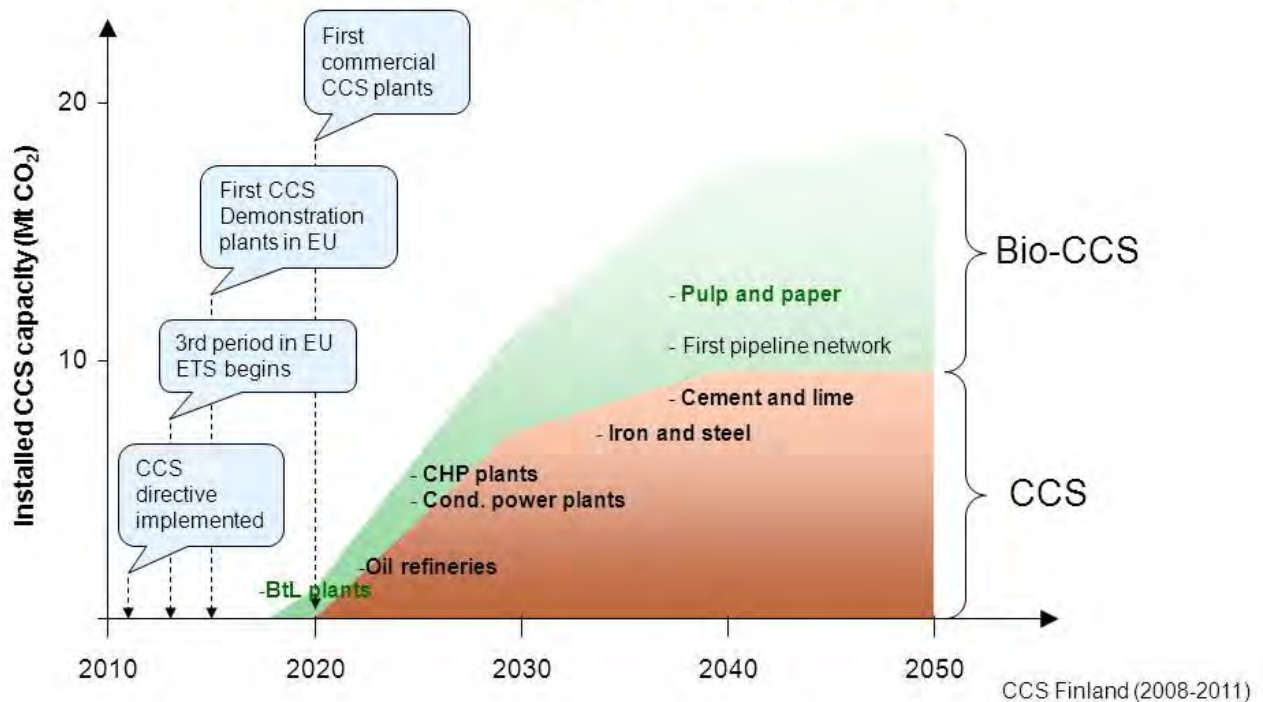
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Case Finland: Cost analysis for transportation (from coastal locations)



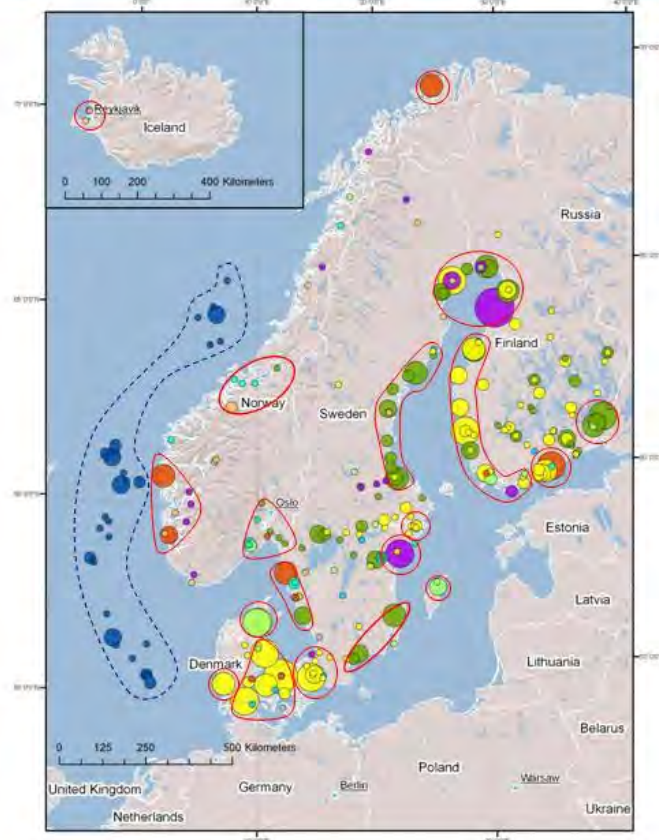
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About 10-30% of current Finnish CO₂ emissions could be abated by 2050 using CCS



CCS Nordic (prestudy)

- Results from scenario calculations: 30-50 Mt/a by 2050
 - Nordic Countries 220 Mt in 2007
- Most large emission sources on the coast line → facilitates ship transport
- Significant mature capacity for storage in underground storage formations in the North Sea
- Bio-CCS of interest for Finland and Sweden
 - Lack incentive



Status of CO₂ technology development for transportation and storage

- Pipeline transportation already established technology, no technical hurdles for ship transportation either
 - Pipeline transportation requires a large initial investment in the infrastructure
 - Ship transportation better option for remote demonstration plants located on the coast line
- Geological storage demonstrated and mature for use
- Proper care must be taken in selection of sites
- Development ongoing in monitoring and verification techniques



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CCS Directive & ETS – some hurdles to overcome

- Ship transportation not included by default in ETS
 - Can be "opted-in"
- Storage and transportation only allowed on the European Economic Area (EEA)
 - EEA = EU + Iceland, Norway and Liechtenstein



Alternative approaches to CO₂ storage

- Fixation of CO₂ as solid carbonate minerals
 - Theoretically a high storage potential, but minerals not reactive enough for an economically feasible process
 - Fixation using solid alkaline industrial residues being piloted
 - Global potential ~ 100 Mt C/a, but local potential <<100 kt C/a
- CO₂ as a chemical product or feedstock
 - Global potential ~ 100 Mt C/a
 - Permanence ranging from days to years



Upcoming CCS report by European Academies Science Advisory Council

Alternative approaches to CO₂ storage

- CO₂ from flue gases for algae cultivation
 - High energy requirements for mixing, harvesting and drying
 - Large land usage – a 600 MW power plant would require a farm of 100 km²
- Storage of biochar from pyrolysis of biomass
 - Large potential: 1.8 Gt C/a
 - Bioenergy has greater mitigation impact in regions that have both high soil fertility and good prospects for offsetting coal emissions (Woolf, 2010)



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Conclusions & recommendations

- CCS is needed to help achieve the radical CO₂ reductions needed in the next 40 years
- A storage atlas of the Baltic Sea area (with offshore and onshore capacity specified) is needed
- Ship transportation needs to be included into EU regulations and ETS
- Incentives for bio-CCS needed
- "Alternative" methods not really an alternative to CCS
 - Lacks the capacity of CCS and/or not ready for deployment for decades ahead



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