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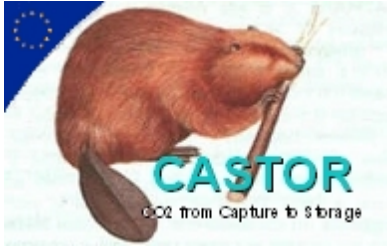
CO₂, from Capture to Storage

an European Initiative

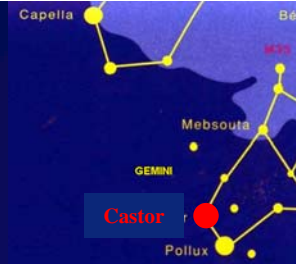
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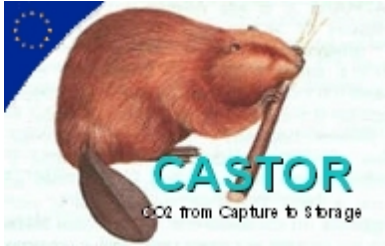


Presentation outline



- Castor at a glance
- Post-combustion capture
- CO₂ geological storage
- The way forward





CASTOR at a glance

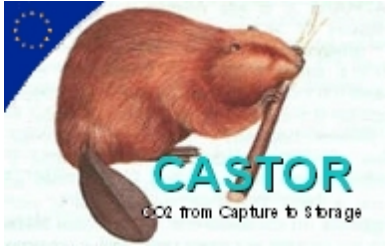


■ Objectives:

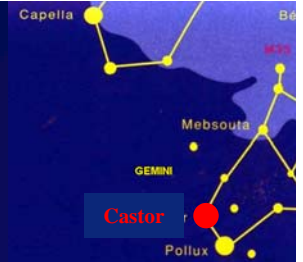
- Reduce the cost of CO₂ post-combustion capture
- Contribute to the feasibility & acceptance of the geological storage concept
- Validate the concept on real site(s)
 - ☞ Pilot testing for capture (1 t CO₂ / hour)
 - ☞ Detailed studies of future storage projects

■ Funded by the European Commission under the 6th Framework Programme





CASTOR at a Glance (2)



R&D

IFP (FR)
TNO (NL)
SINTEF (NO)
NTNU (NO)
BGS (UK)
BGR (DE)
BRGM (FR)
GEUS (DK)
IMPERIAL (UK)
OGS (IT)
TWENTE U. (NL)
STUTT GARTT U. (DE)

Oil & Gas

STATOIL (NO)
GDF (FR)
REPSOL (SP)
ENITecnologie (IT)
ROHOEL (AT)

Power Companies

VATTENFALL (SE)
ELSAM (DK)
ENERGI E2 (DK)
RWE (DE)
PPC (GR)
POWERGEN (UK)

Manufacturers

ALSTOM POWER (FR)
MITSUI BABCOCK (UK)
SIEMENS (DE)
BASF (DE)
GVS (IT)

Co-ordinator: IFP

Chair of the Executive Board: Statoil

30 partners from 11 European Countries

Budget: 15,8 M€

EU funding: 8,5 M€

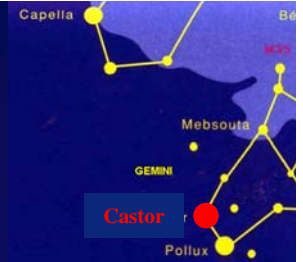
Industrial funding: 2,2 M€

Duration: 4 years



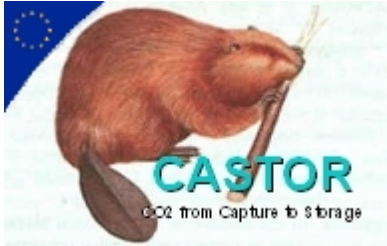


CASTOR at glance (3)



- Kick-off in February 2004
- Recognised by the Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum, Melbourne, Australia, Sept. 2004





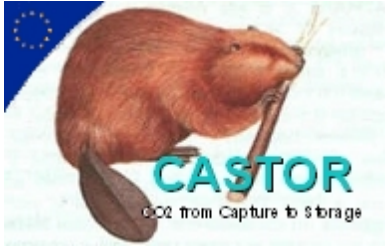
Post-combustion capture



■ Objectives

- Development of absorption liquids, with a thermal energy consumption of 2.0 GJ/tonne CO₂ at 90% recovery rates
- Resulting costs per tonne CO₂ avoided not higher than 20 to 30 €/tonne CO₂, depending on the type of fuel (natural gas, coal, lignite)
- Pilot plant tests showing the reliability and efficiency of the post-combustion capture process



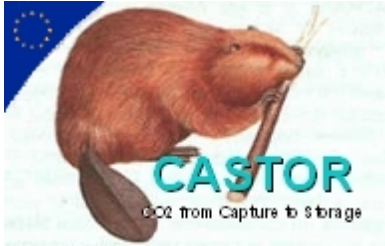


Issues for flue-gas CO₂-capture technology

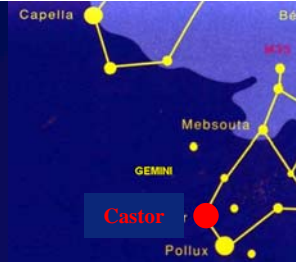


- **Absorption technology is leading option but:**
 - Power cost increases >50%
 - Generation efficiency decreases by 15 – 25%
- **Absorption process breakthroughs required**
 - Energy consumption
 - Reaction rates
 - Contactor improvements
 - Liquid capacities
 - Chemical stability/corrosion
 - Desorption process improvements
 - Hence cost reductions
- **Integration with power plant**
 - Heat integration with other process plant, particularly in relation to desorption process





Major technical results/deliverables

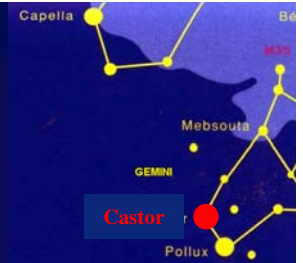


- New solvents resulting in less heat for regeneration
- Advanced processes resulting in lower power output losses
- Advanced equipment (membrane contactors) resulting in lower investment costs
- Pilot plant operating with real flue gas allowing hands-on-experience with absorption technology
- Methods for integration and optimisation resulting in lower power output losses





European post-combustion test facility



Esbjergværket



Capacity: 1 t CO₂ / h

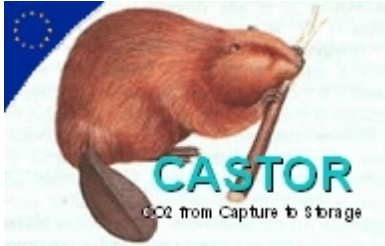
5000 Nm³/h fluegas
(coal combustion)

In operation early 2006

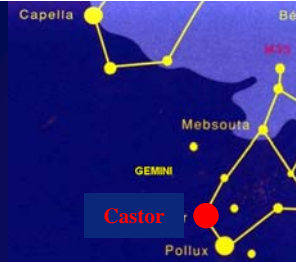
*The greatest post-combustion
pilot worldwide*

Official Pilot Launching 15th March 2006





CO₂ geological storage

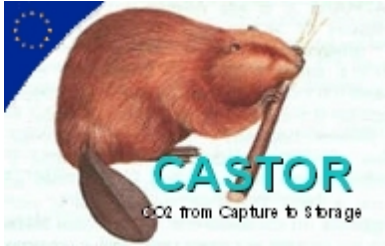


No capture without storage!

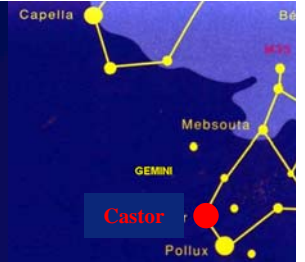
■ Objectives

- Develop and apply a methodology for the selection and the secure management of storage sites by improving assessment methods, defining acceptance criteria, and developing a strategy for safety-focussed, cost-effective site monitoring
- Improve the "Best Practice Manual" by adding 4 more real-site cases



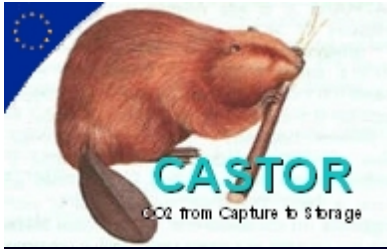


CO₂ geological storage



- **Four field cases to cover some geological variability:**
 - clastics (sandstones) vs. carbonates
 - onshore vs offshore (consequences for monitoring)
 - storage site types: depleted oil field, depleted gas field, enhanced gas recovery, aquifer
 - some cases with good sample access, others with chance for monitoring
(→ covers many methods, focus different from field to field)
 - cases in different countries to give many countries their 'own case' (good for public acceptance)
- **Two cross-disciplinary activities**
 - Preventive and corrective actions
 - Criteria for site selection & site mgmt



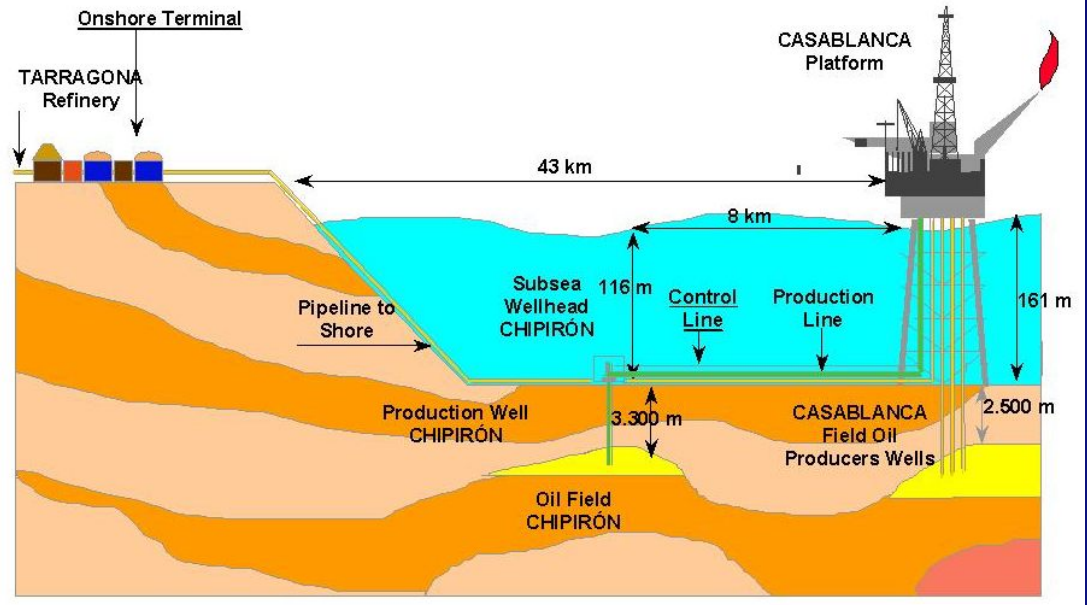


Casablanca oilfield (Repsol, Spain)



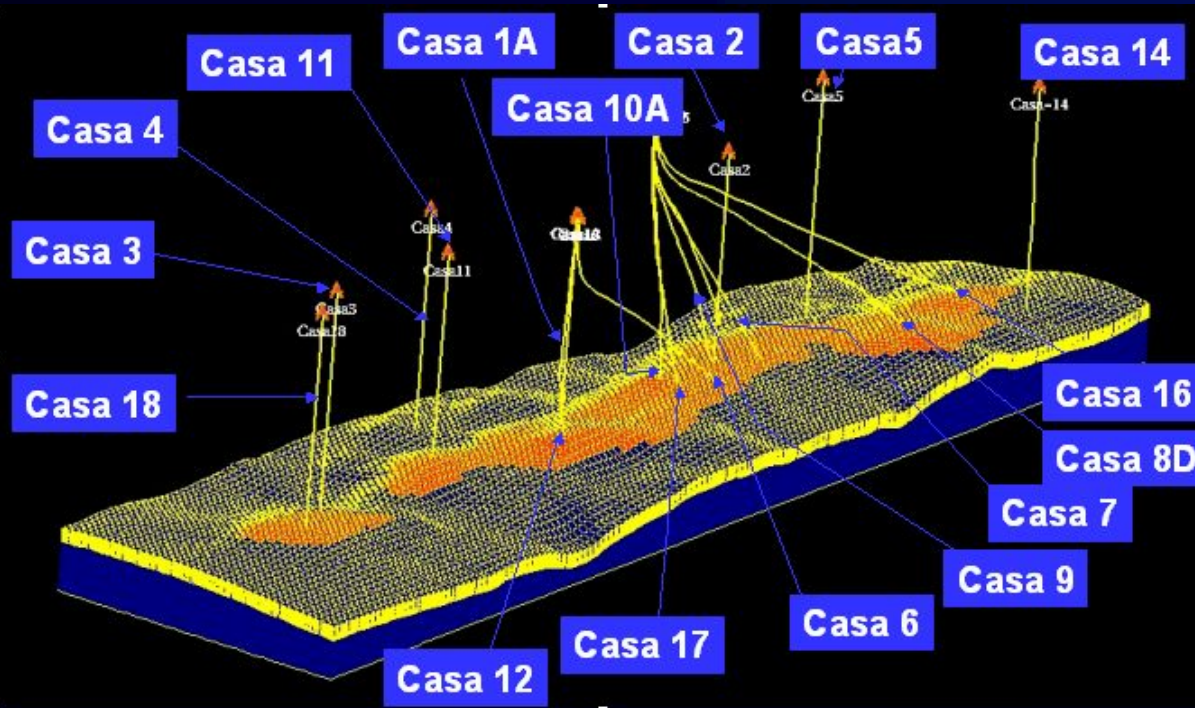
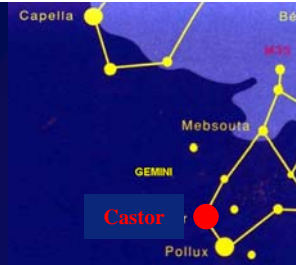
- Depleted oil-field in carbonates
- Depth: 2500 m
- Injection of 0,5 Mt CO₂ / year from the Tarragona Refinery

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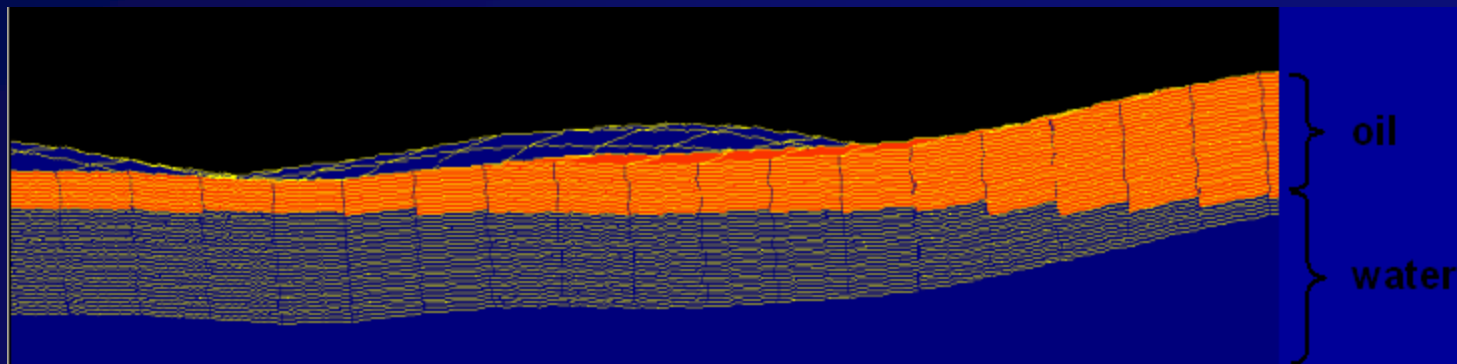




Casablanca oilfield (Repsol, Spain)



Focus: general storage site evaluation; geochemical reactions with carbonates; less on safety and monitoring

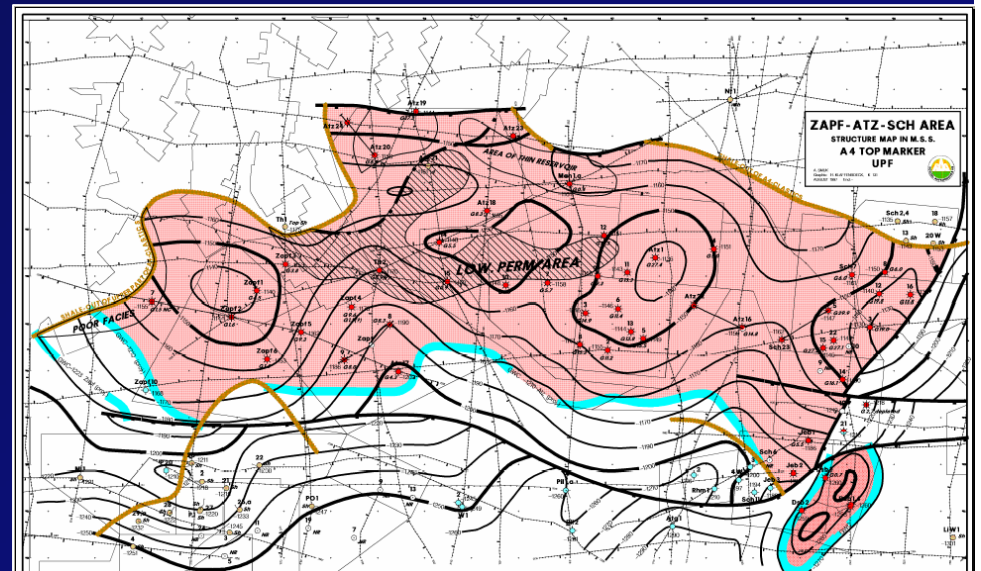


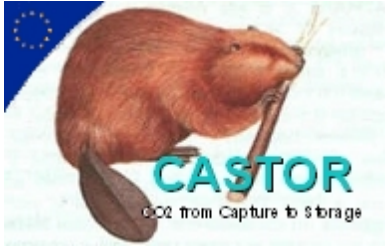


Atzbach-Schwannenstadt Gas Field (Rohoel, Austria)

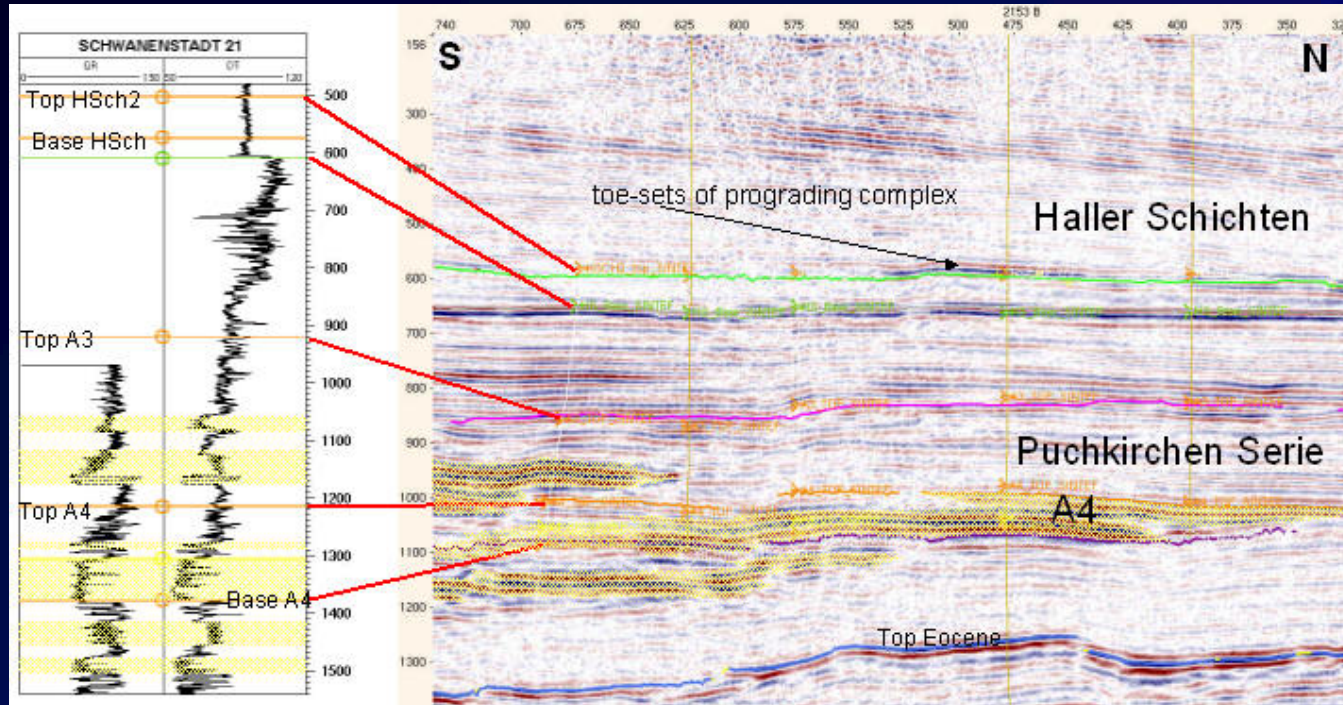


- Sandstone gasfield, onshore
- Depth: 1600 m
- Possible injection of 200,000 t CO₂/year
- Opportunity for EGR



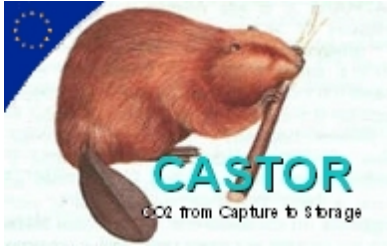


Atzbach-Schwandenstadt Gas Field (Rohoel, Austria)



Focus: general storage site evaluation; seal properties (fluid flow, geochemistry, geomechanics); long-term safety / risk assessment; onshore monitoring methods; assessment of possibilities for enhanced gas recovery

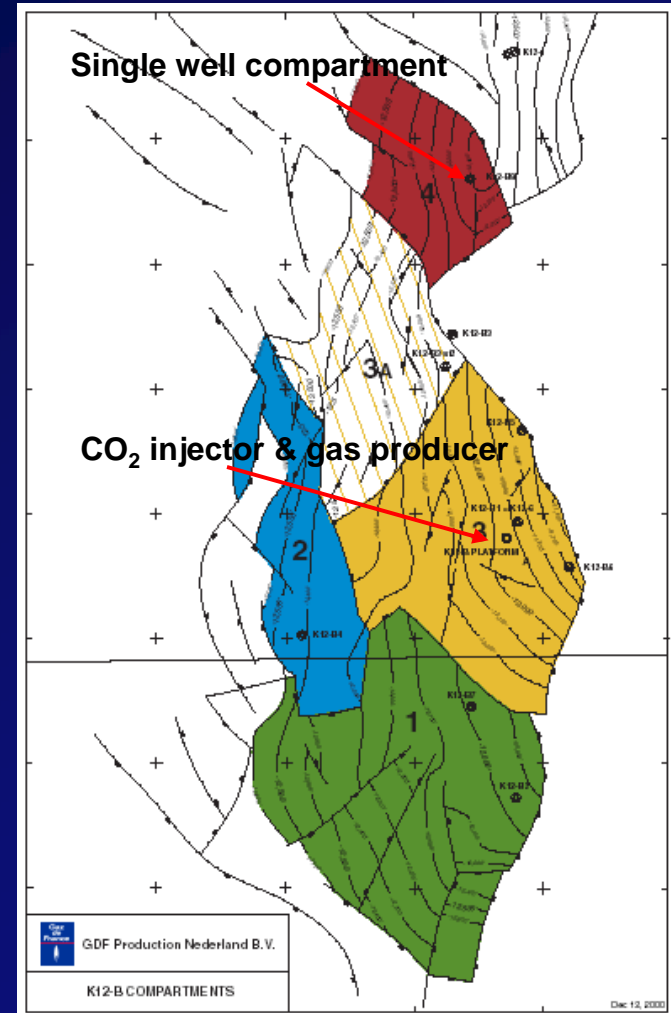
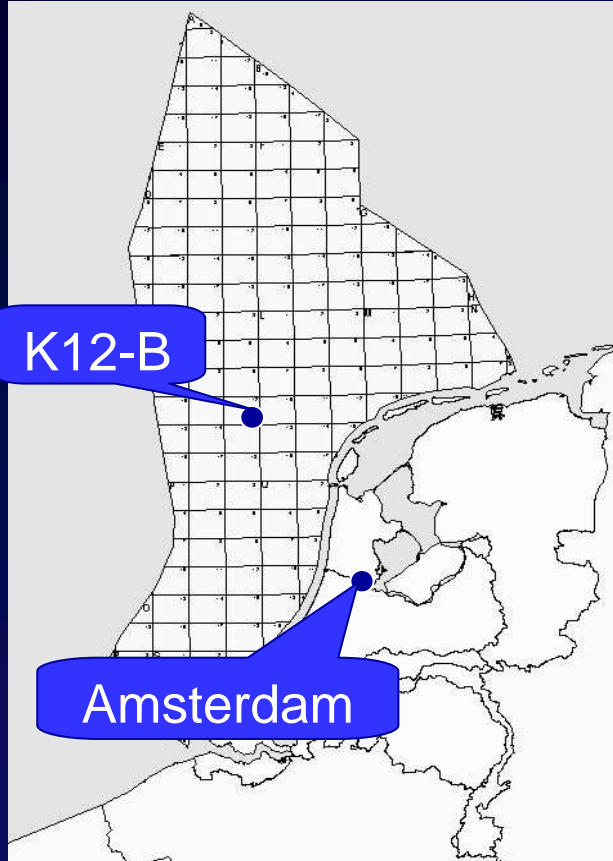


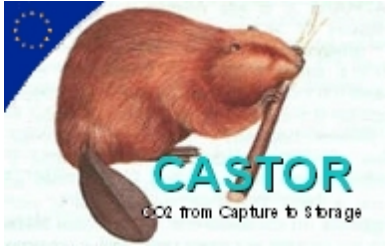


K12B Gas Field (Gaz de France, The Netherlands)

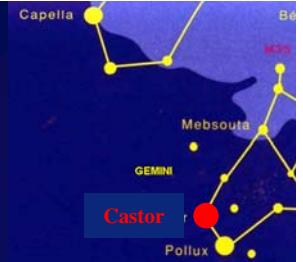


- Gasfield in Rotliengen clastics, offshore
- Depth: 3500-4000 m
- High temperature: 128 °C, low pressure: 40 bars
- Small-scale injection test: 20 000 t/year in mid-2004
- 480 000 t/year in 2006, 8 Mt total





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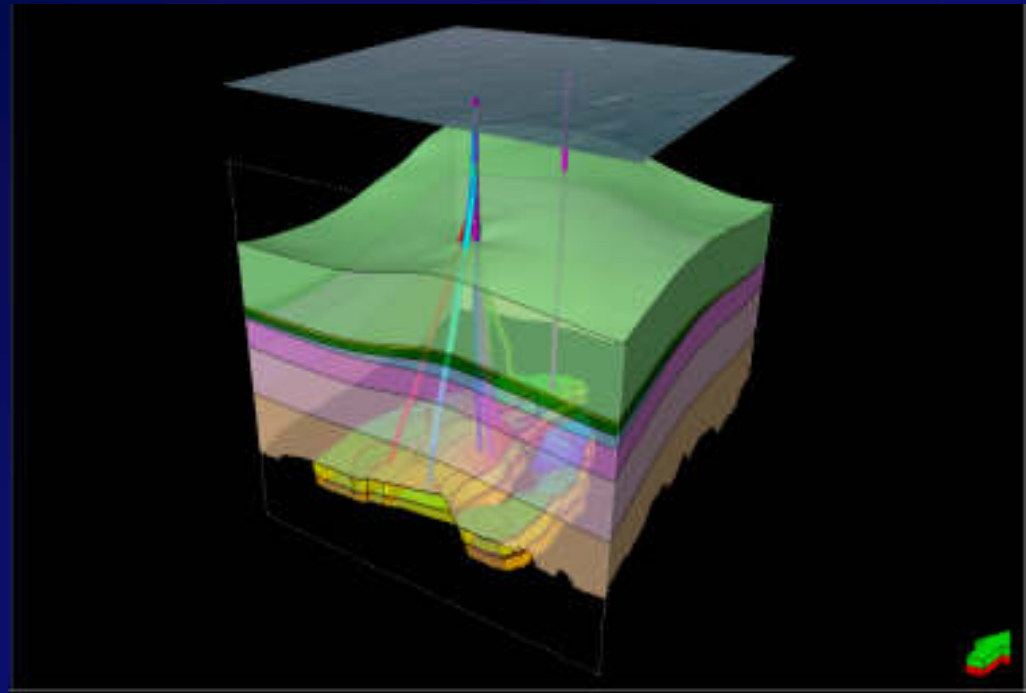
Focus: general storage site evaluation; long-term safety, monitoring (seismics).

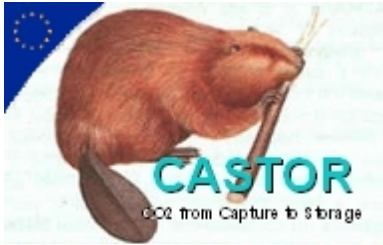
Improved geological model

- Facies model was established
- 3D seismic interpretation for the K12B field
- Petrophysical log analysis on all K12B wells

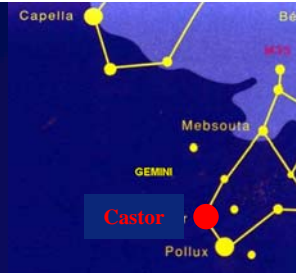
Experimental work

- Core material of Rotliegen reservoir and Zechstein seal gathered and sent to BGR and BGS
- Preparation of samples for experiments started

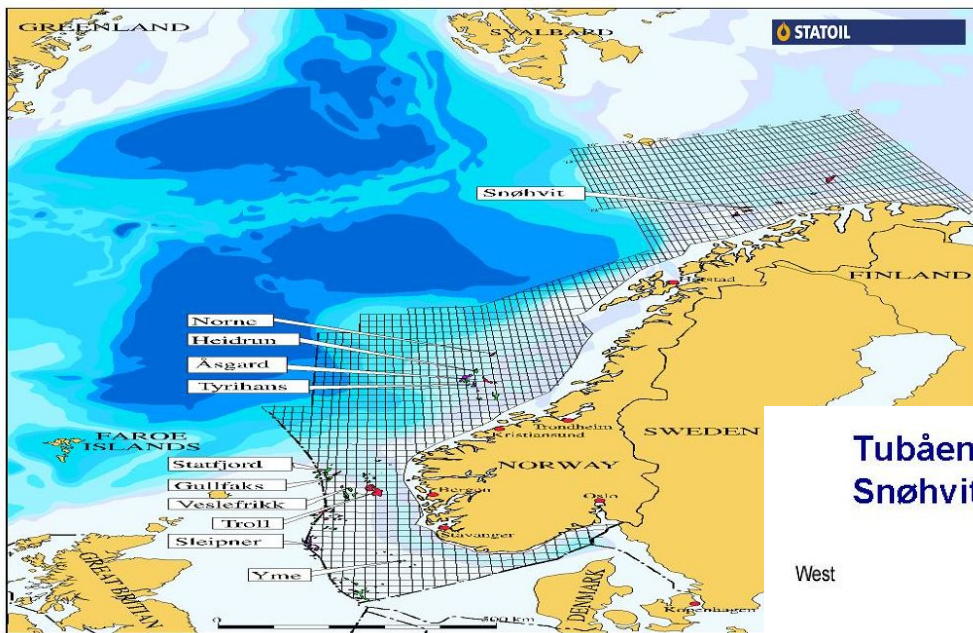




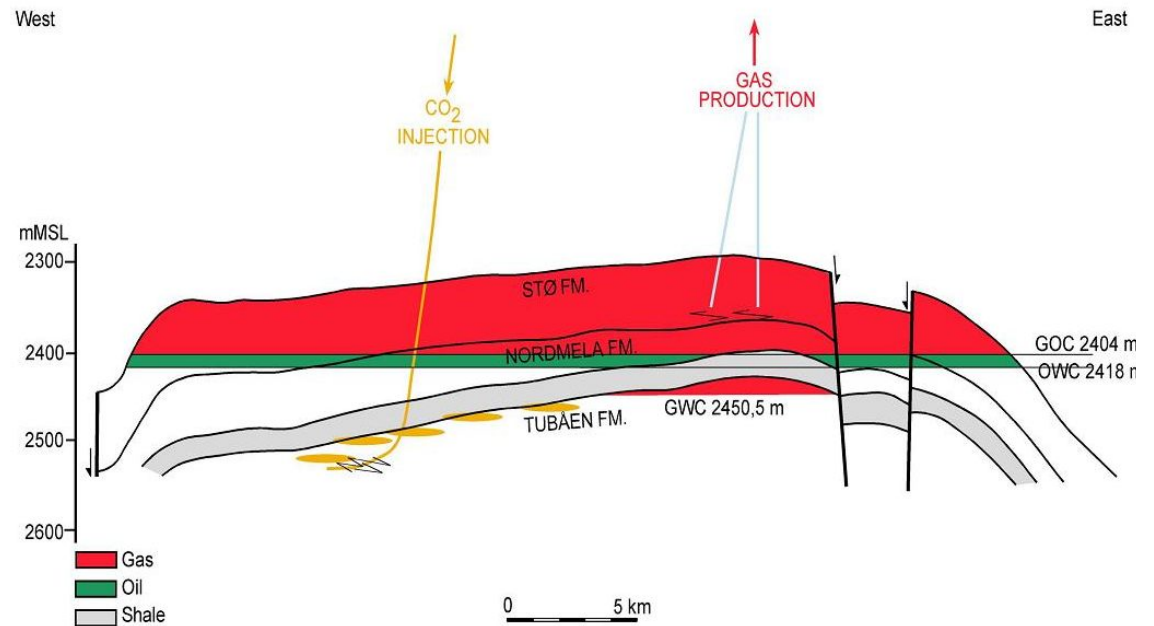
Snøhvit Aquifer (Statoil, Norway)



- Sandstone aquifer, offshore
- Depth: 2500 m
- 0.75 Mt CO₂ per year; Start in 2006 and last for 20 + years
- CO₂ source is removal from natural gas before cooling to LNG; limit 50 ppmvol.



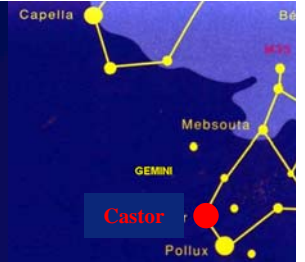
Tubåen Formation storing CO2 under the Snøhvit Field



Focus: Well integrity, Injectivity, Monitoring



CASTOR the way forward



- **CASTOR is a large integrated effort aiming at:**
 - Developing technologies for cost-effective post-combustion capture (pilot plant launching beginning of 2006, official launching 15th March 2006)
 - Building confidence in CO₂ geological storage by adding 4 more cases to the portfolio of existing sites:
 - ↳ K12B in the Netherlands: industrial scale in 2006
 - ↳ Start CO₂ injection on Snohvit in 2006

