

HEATSTORE WEBINAR SERIES

HOW TO DEVELOP UNDERGROUND THERMAL ENERGY STORAGE (UTES) PROJECTS?

Learnings from the European HEATSTORE project

Host: TNO, The Netherlands



7, 14, 21, 28 Sept. and 5, 12 Oct. 2021 | all 15-16 h (CEST)

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HEATSTORE WEBINAR SERIES 2021

All webinars are at 15 – 16 h CEST

Tuesday 7 Sept. (Holger Cremer, TNO): Challenges in Underground Thermal Energy Storage (UTES)

Tuesday 14 Sept. (Thomas Driesner, ETH Zurich): Advances in subsurface characterization and simulation

Tuesday 21 Sept. (Koen Allaerts, VITO): Integrating UTES and DSM in geothermal district heating networks

Tuesday 28 Sept. (Florian Hahn, Fraunhofer IEG): Abandoned coal mines – promising sites to store heat in the underground

Tuesday 5 Oct. (Bas Godschalk, IF Technology): The ECW Energy HT-ATES project in the Netherlands

Tuesday 12 Oct. (Joris Koornneef, TNO): The role of UTES in the future EU energy system – a moderated table discussion.



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- HEATSTORE = GEOTHERMICA ERA-NET co-fund project
- 16.3 M€ | 23 partners in 9 EU countries
- 6 demonstration sites, 8 case studies.
- Coordination: TNO Netherlands Organization for Applied Scientific Research)



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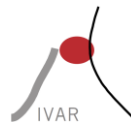
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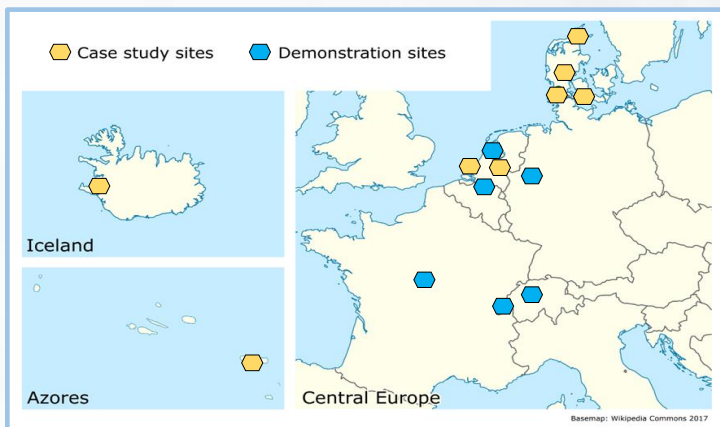
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Storage

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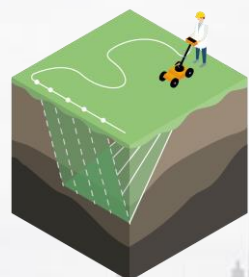


- **Best practice guidelines:** Design & System integration | Business models | Regulatory framework | Stakeholder perception & engagement | Monitoring technical, economic and environmental performance

- Proof and operation of UTES and DSM technologies



Model & design validation



Characterization of UTES



Modelling sub-surface dynamics



Heating system integration & design optimisation



Demonstration



System performance monitoring



- **Roadmap Europe:** Technical future potential UTES and DSM in Europe | New business models | Stakeholder engagement | Roadmap for fast track uptake

Design

Demonstration

Replication and scale-up

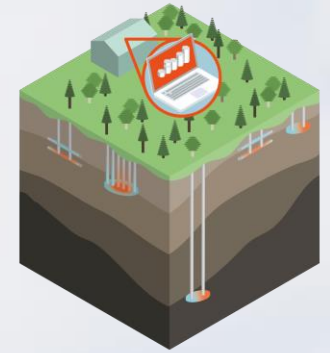
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HEATSTORE – 14 Sept. 2021

Advances in subsurface characterization and simulation



- Thomas Driesner (ETHZ): Convenor & Opening
- Thomas Driesner (ETHZ): Simulating subsurface dynamics – approaches, workflows, suitable tools
- Luca Guglielmetti, Alex Daniilidis (Univ. Geneva): Integration of subsurface and energy system data for HT-ATES modelling in Geneva

INTEGRATION OF SUBSURFACE AND ENERGY SYSTEM DATA FOR HT-ATES MODELLING IN GENEVA

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HT-ATES CASE STUDY IN GENEVA



Drilling, data collection, business case modelling, regulatory framework



Subsurface characterization and static modelling, fluid geochemistry
Energy system scenarios
Economics and business models
Multi-criteria Play analysis



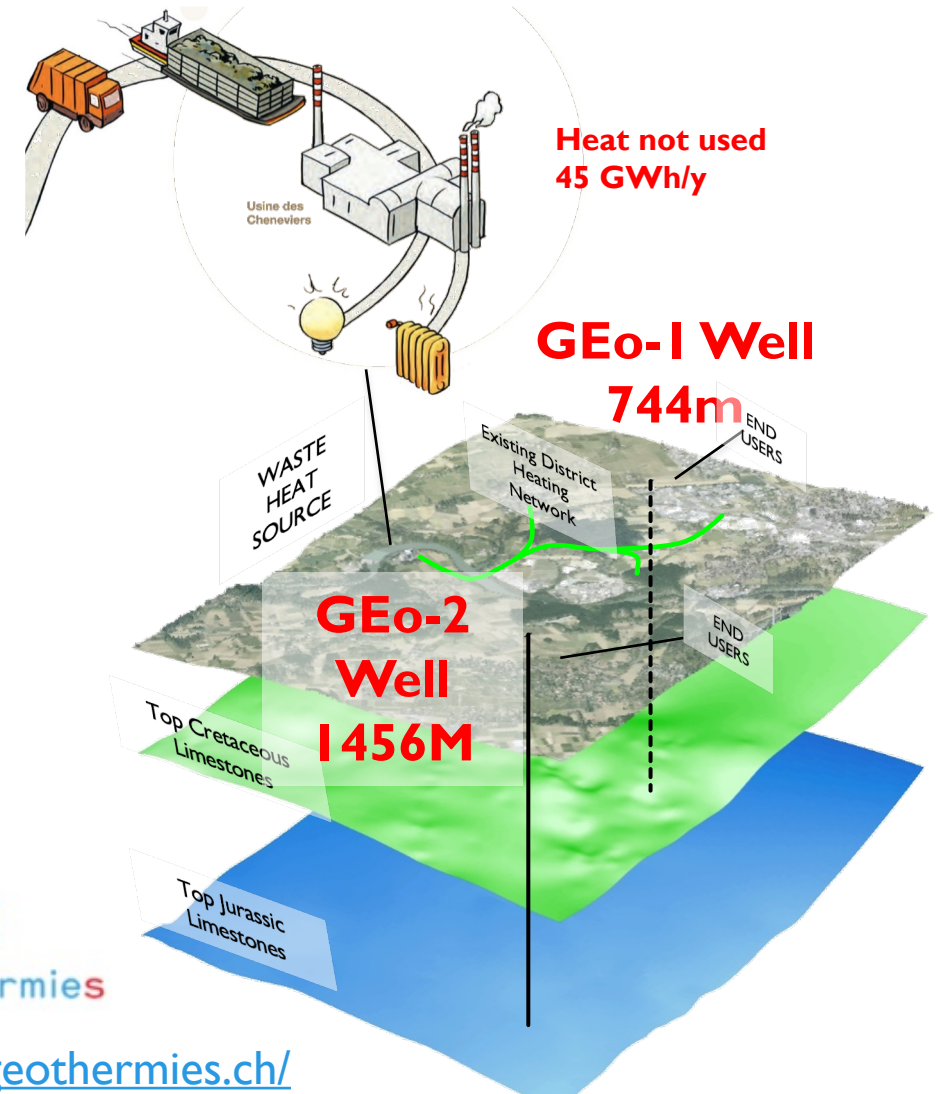
TH, THM reservoir modelling



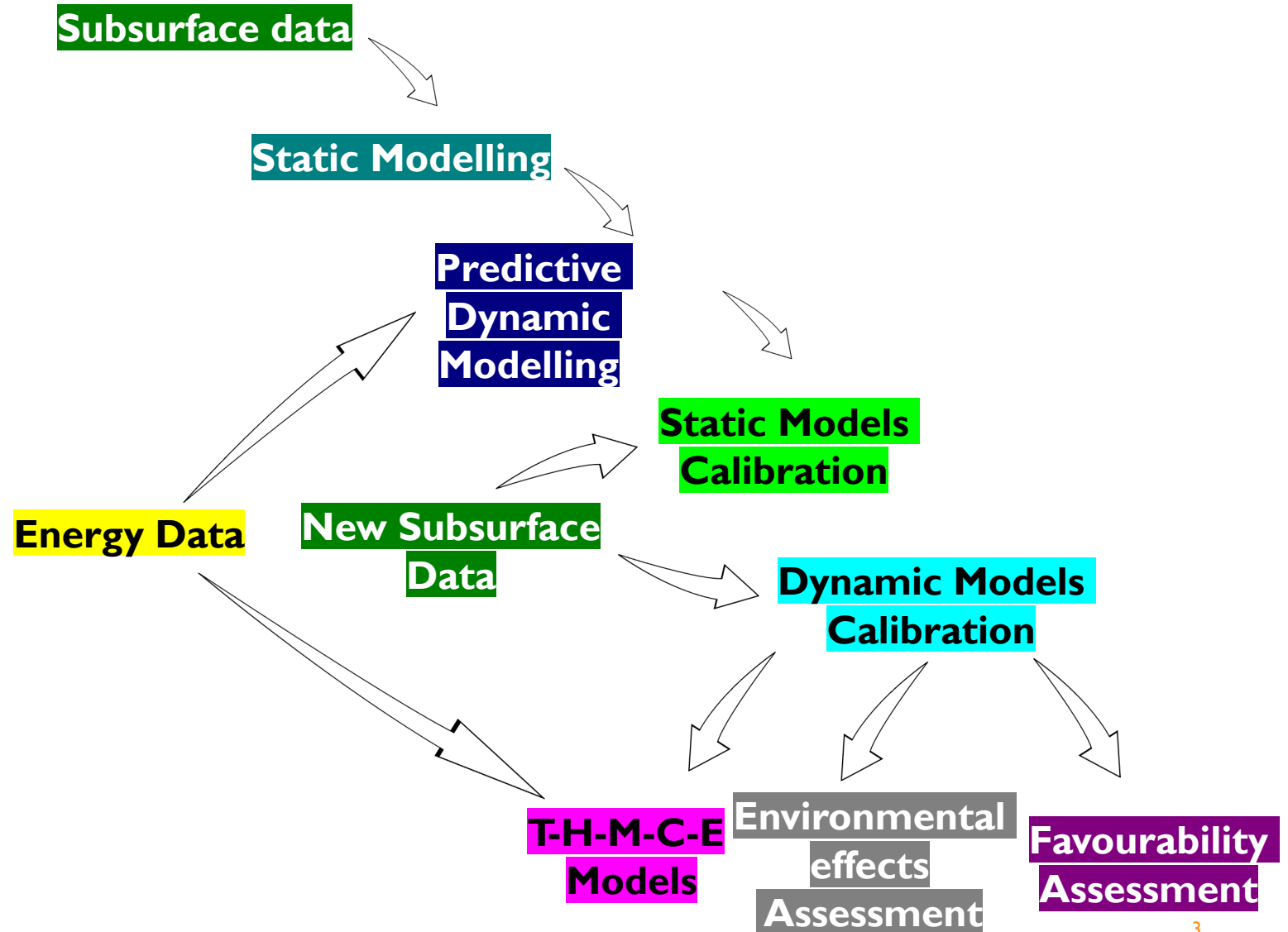
Reservoir geomechanical characterization, Play Analysis



THC modelling,
Water-rock interaction laboratory experiments



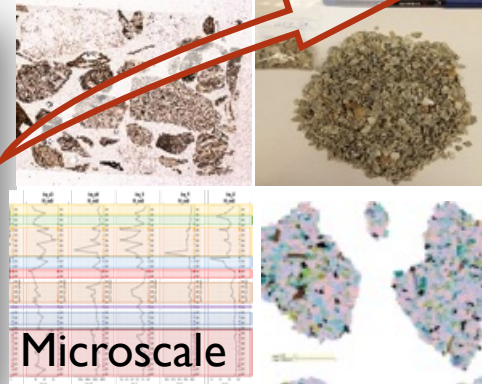
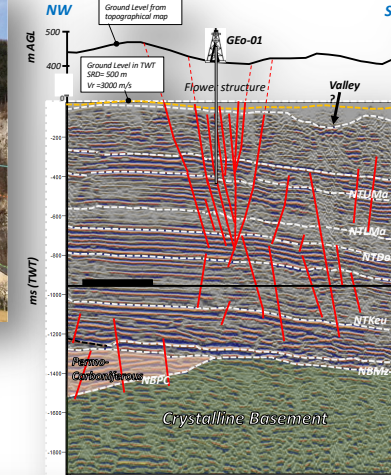
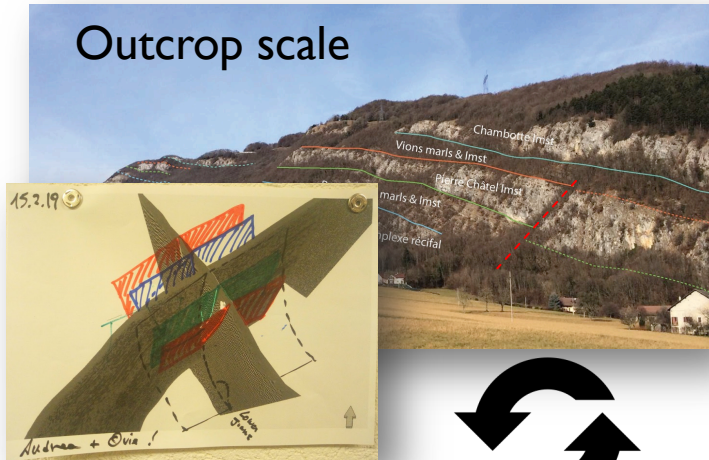
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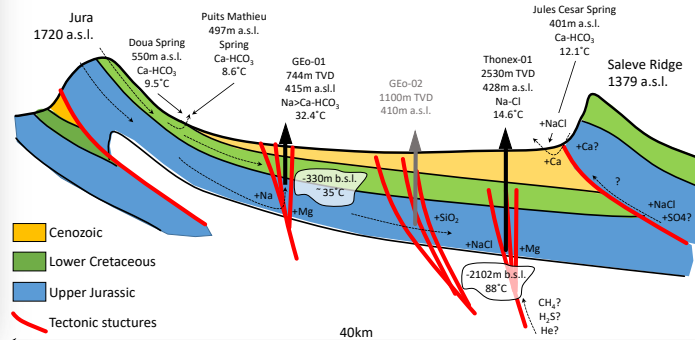
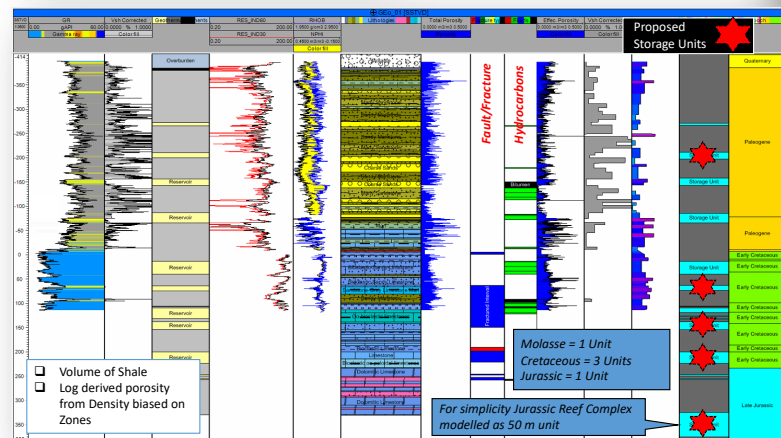
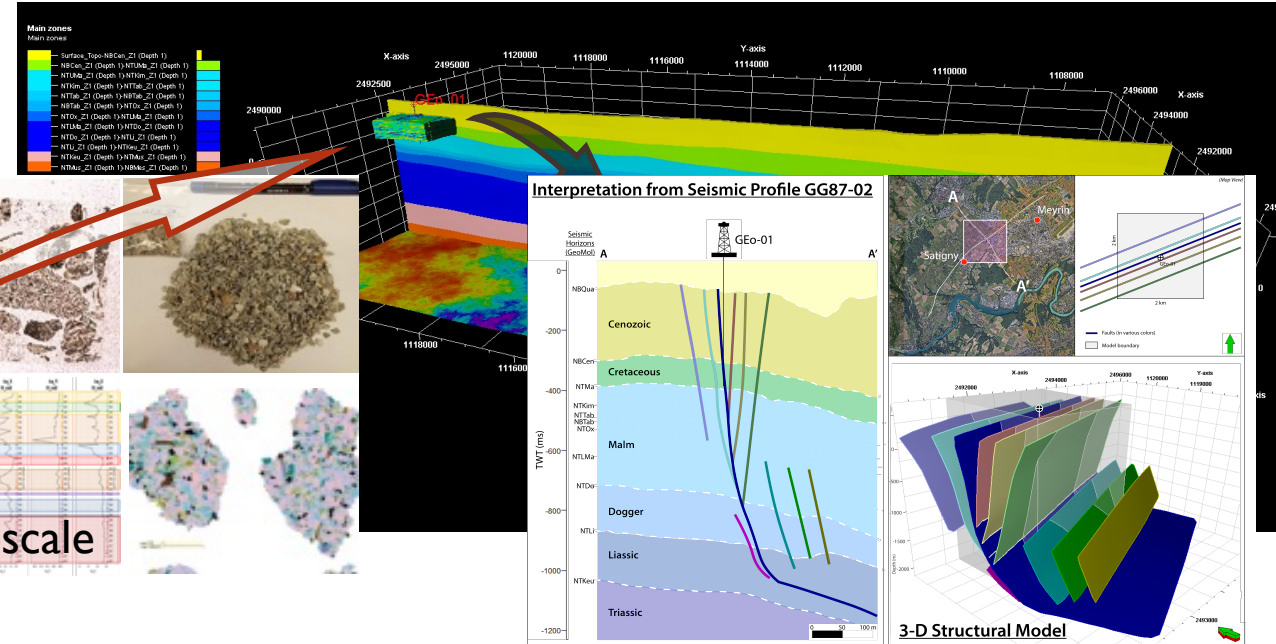
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Seismic data interpretation

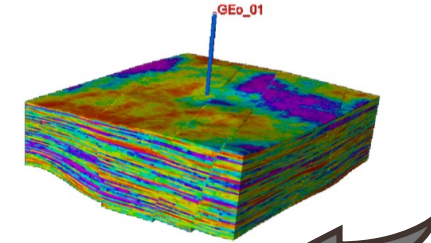
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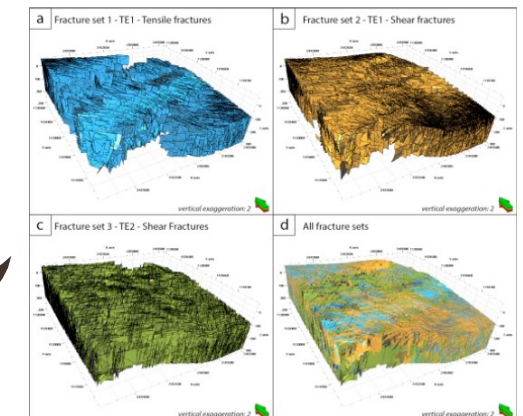
Microscale



Fluid chemistry



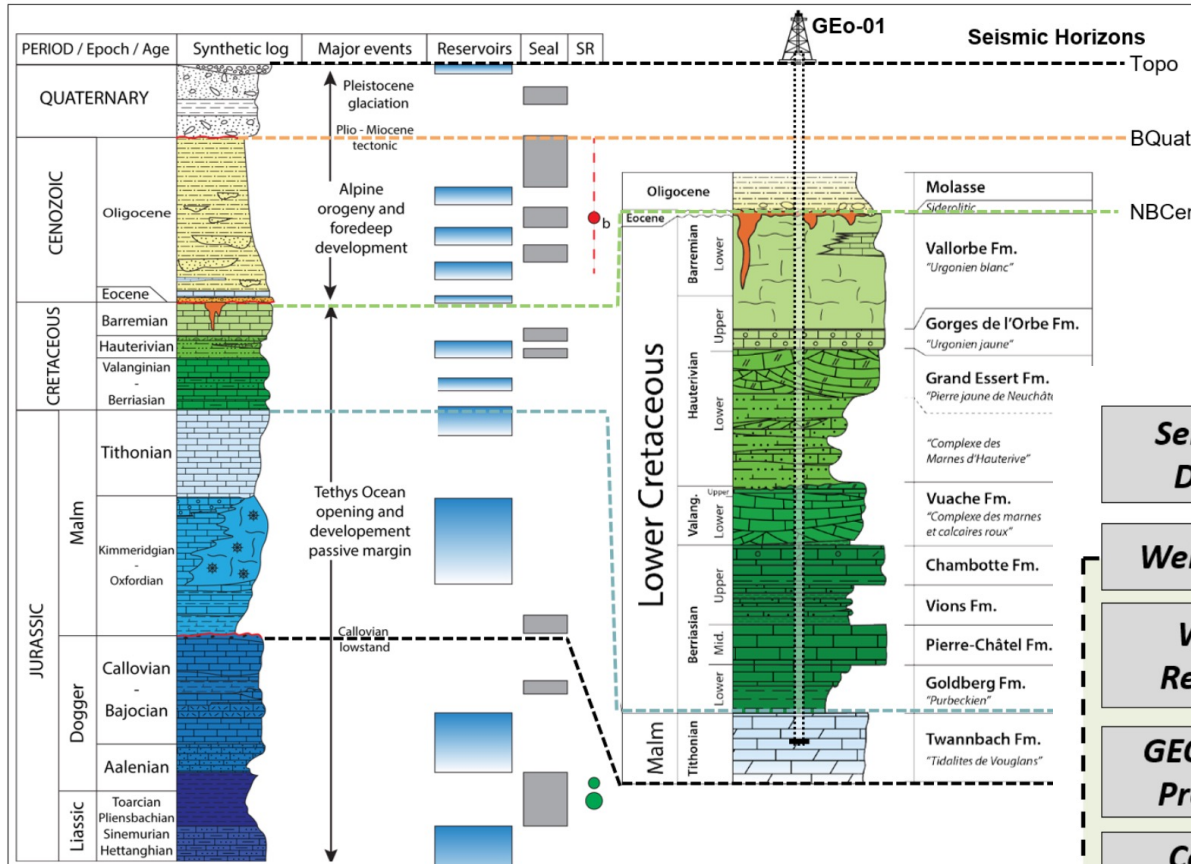
Petrophysical Model



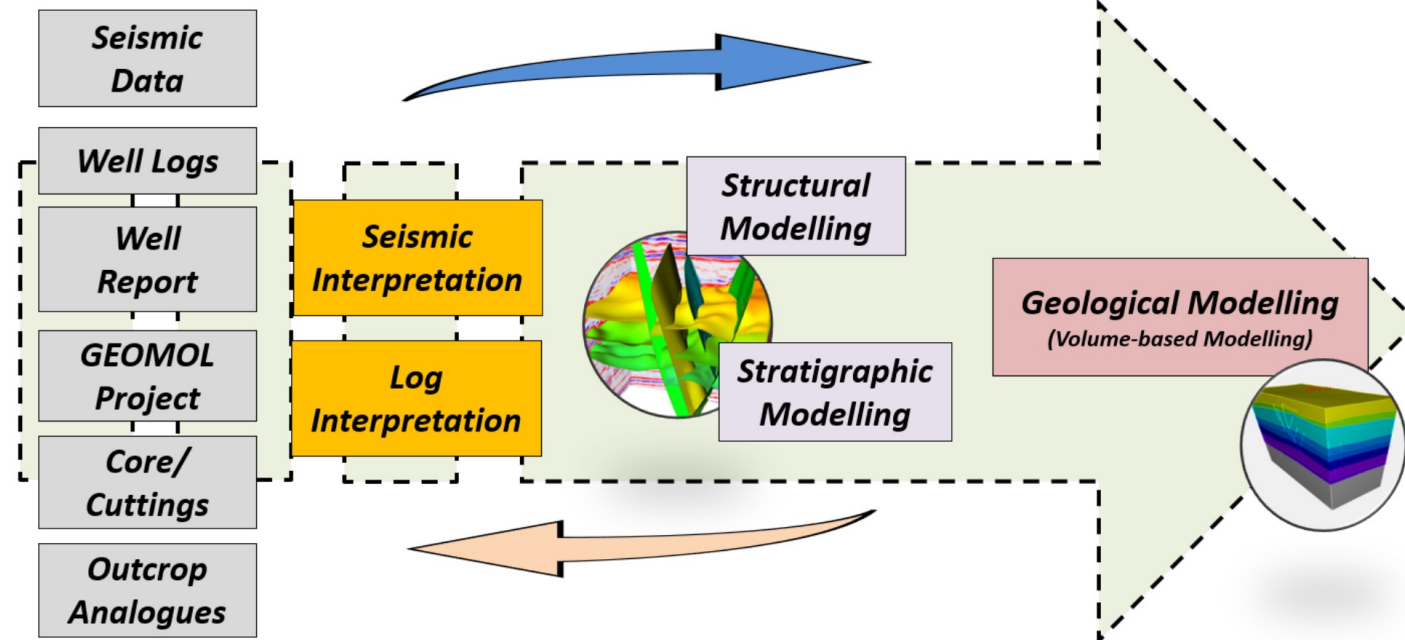
DFN Modelling

Borehole data interpretation

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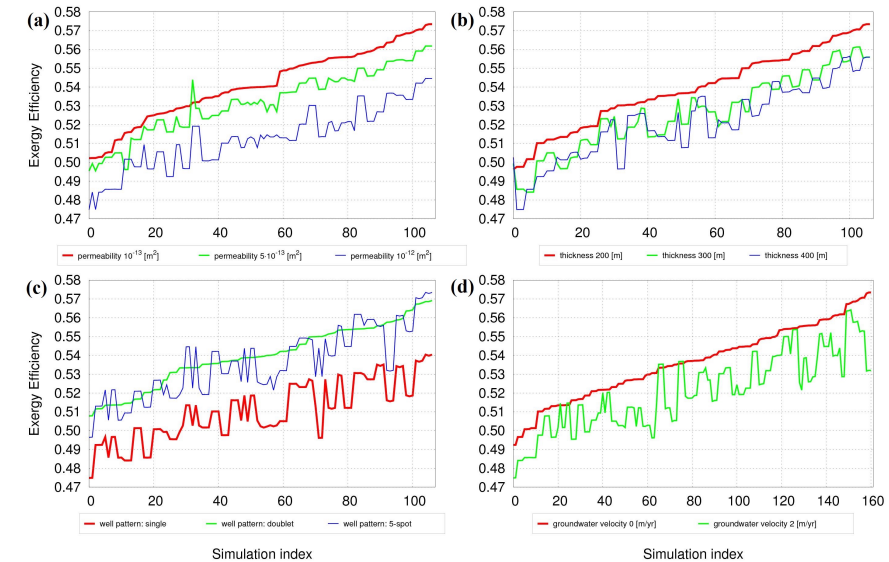
From Borehole, seismic
data integration to 3D
Geologic Model



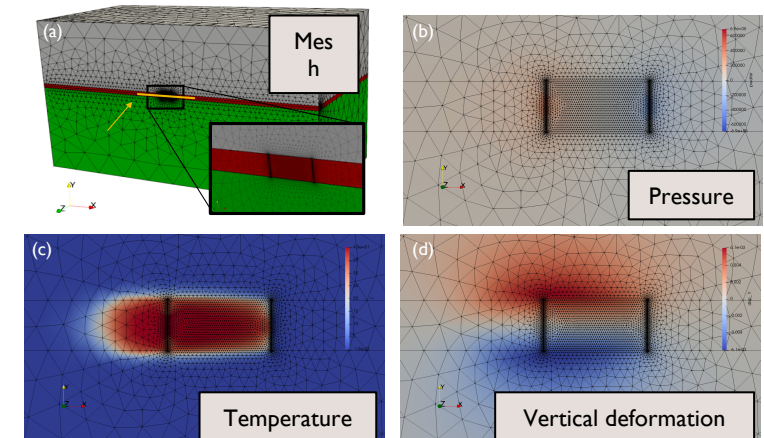
DYNAMIC SCENARIO MODELLING

- Use high-end academic modelling tools to predictively assess the impact of geologic complexity on feasibility, sustainability, and efficiency
- We developed a set of “what if” scenarios based on the geologic models from the exploration and characterization activities
- Two-step approach:
 - Thermo-hydraulic modelling to identify most promising geologic volumes and identify risky ones. Measured dynamic effects of: **permeability, porosity, aquifer thickness, well patterns, groundwater flow, fracture configurations, reef structures, aquifer depth, multiple aquifers, auxiliary well injection temperature.** (>1200 simulations)
 - Thermo-hydro-mechanical modelling to assess possible risks resulting from poro- and thermo-elastic responses (heave and subsidence, differential stresses, ...)
- Interfacing with system integration modelling

3D TH modeling



3D HM modeling of ATEs



ETHZ RESULTS – HM MODELING

We explored two aspects of **ground surface deformation** at the Geneva wells using a **hydro-mechanical (HM) model**.

1. We model ground deformation during the pumping test at GEO-01 and compare to deformation measurements from INSAR, tilt-meter and GPS data (report in preparation). → **NO DEFORMATION IS OBSERVED AND MODELLED** according to production test data
2. Secondly, we performed predictive simulations of the potential ground deformation resulting from HT-ATES to explore the question: ***what HM ground deformation could we expect if GEO-01 was used as one well in an HT-ATES doublet?***

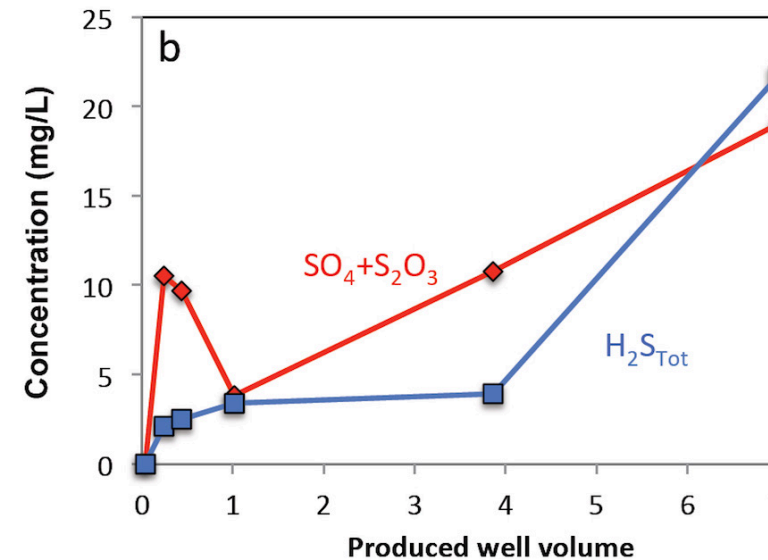
Well and Scenario	Targeted Reservoir and Depth [m]	Reservoir Permeability [m ²]	Reservoir Thickness [m]	Flow Rate [kg/s]	Young modulus [GPa]	Years simulated	Maximum ground deformation [cm]
GEO-01	LC-UJ (400 – 750)	$3 \cdot 10^{-13}$	350	60	35	15	<0.01
					2	1	0.10
					0.35	15	0.49
GEO-02 Scen. 1	LC-UJ (750-1450)	$7 \cdot 10^{-16}$	700	3.9	35	15	0.015
					2	1	0.053
					0.35	1	0.055
GEO-02 Scen. 2	Siderolitic (600-750)	$7 \cdot 10^{-16}$	150	0.7	35	1	<0.01
					2	1	0.015
					0.35	1	0.016
GEO-02 Scen. 3	Siderolitic (600-750)	$3 \cdot 10^{-13}$	150	60	35	1	<0.01
					2	1	0.097
					0.35	1	0.40

Predictive Simulation Scenarios and Results

HYDRO-CHEMICAL MODELLING AT GEO-01

HM modelling was performed using water analysis results and energy inputs to predict the potential effects of operating an HT-ATES.

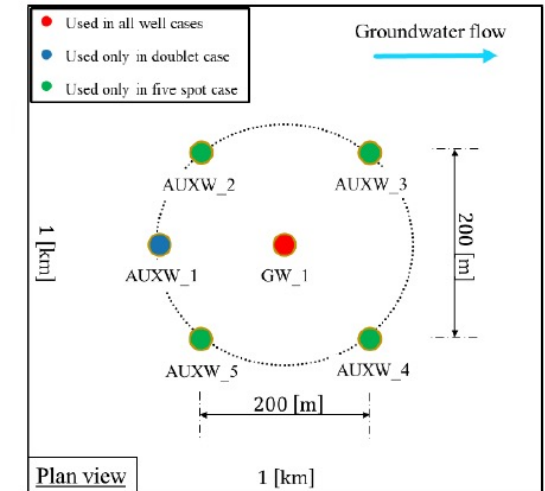
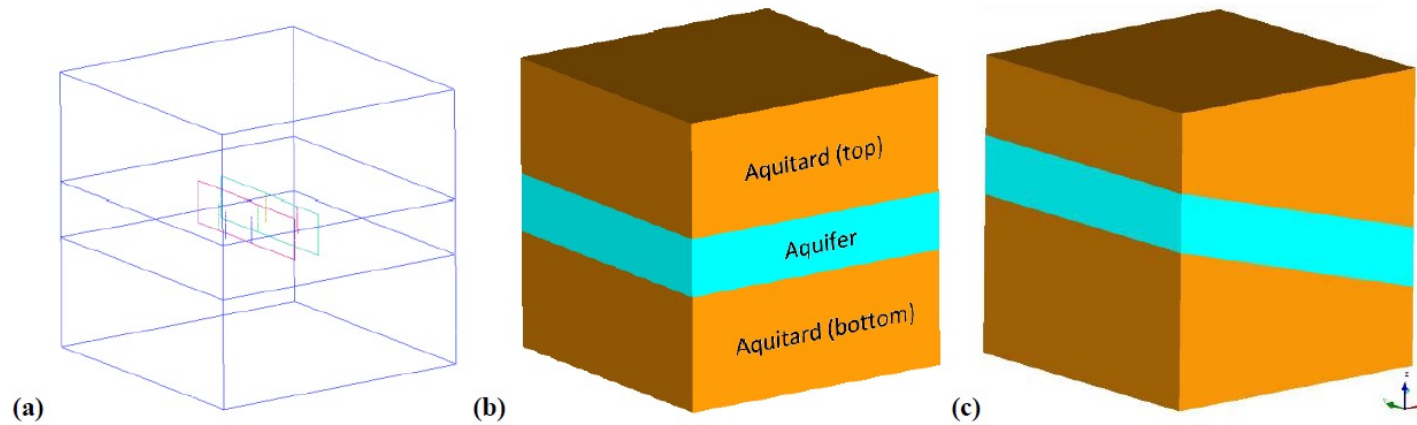
- **Carbonate precipitation when the waters are heated to 90°C during storage cycles.** This could impede flow and heat exchange in the surface installations.
- In case of the water produced from GEO-01, **corrosion** of technical installations such as pumps, casings, and heat exchangers may occur **due to the high sulfide concentration**



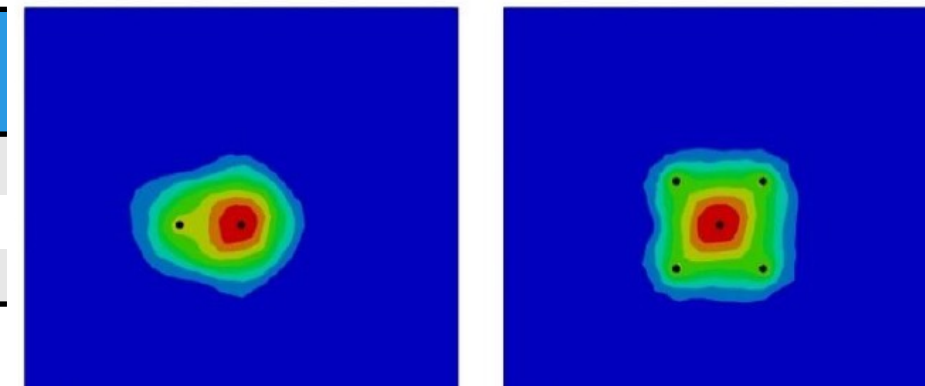
ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS RISK MATRIX (TASK 6.6)

GEO-01												
Effect \ Phase	Drilling						Operations (predicted)					
	P	A	M	Probability	Consequences	Risk	P	A	M	Probability	Consequences	Risk
Air quality	L	L	H	H	L	M	L	L	L	L	L	L
Noise and vibration	L	L	H	H	L	M	L	L	L	L	L	L
Formation water quality	L	L	H	L	L	L	L	L	L	H	M	H
Formation water temperature	L	L	H	L	L	L	L	L	L	H	L	M
Surface clear water	L	L	H	H	L	M	L	L	L	L	L	L
Soil occupation	L	L	H	H	L	M	L	L	L	H	L	M
Wastes and dangerous substances	L	L	H	H	L	M	L	L	L	M	L	L
Environment	L	L	H	M	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
Nature	L	L	H	M	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
Soil mechanics	L	L	H	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
Seismicity	L	L	H	L	H	M	L	L	L	L	H	M
CO2 intensity redyction	L	L	H	L	L	L	L	L	L	H	M	H

ATES SIMULATIONS

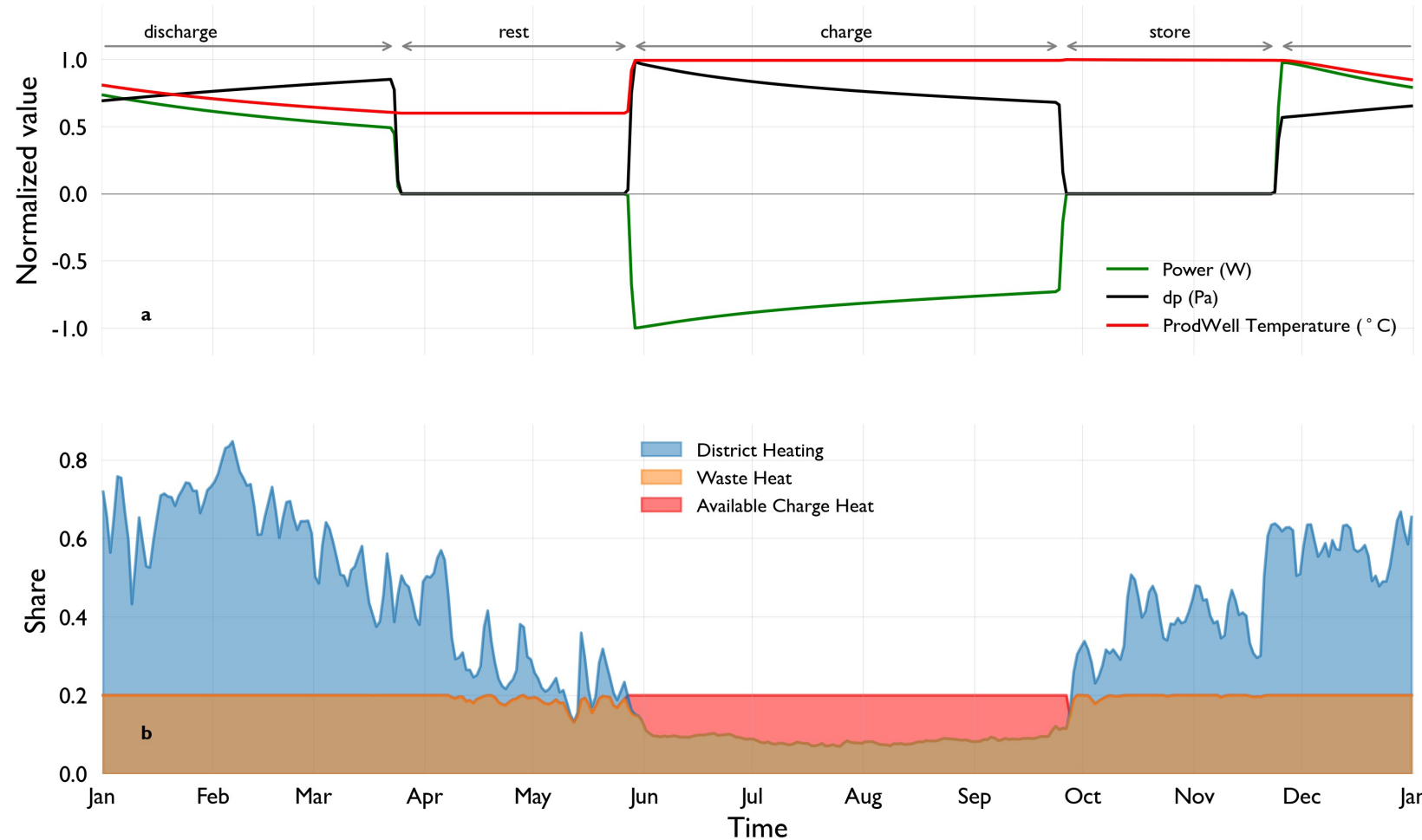


Aquifer thickness (m)	Permeability (m ²)	Porosity (%)	Wells	Tcutoff (°C)	Depth (m)	Dip (°)	Groundwater hydraulic gradient (%)	Artesian conditions (Mpa)
50	1×10^{-14}	10	Doublet	20	500	0	0	0
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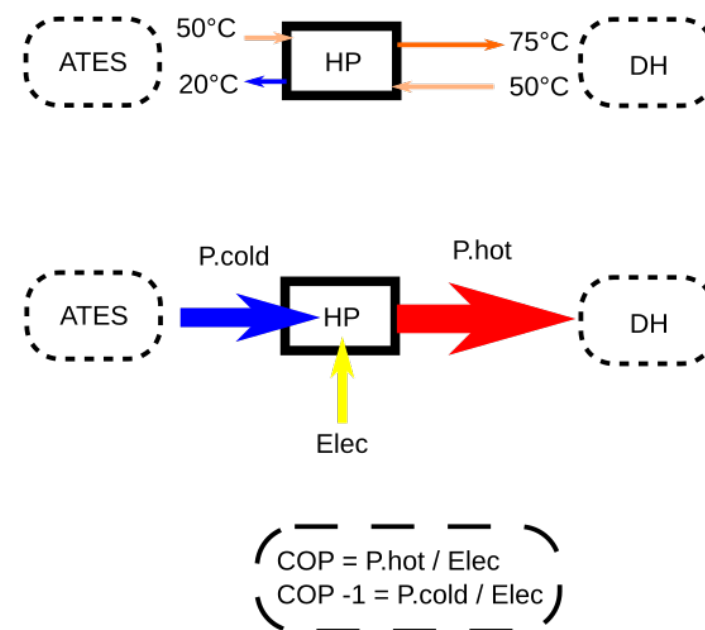
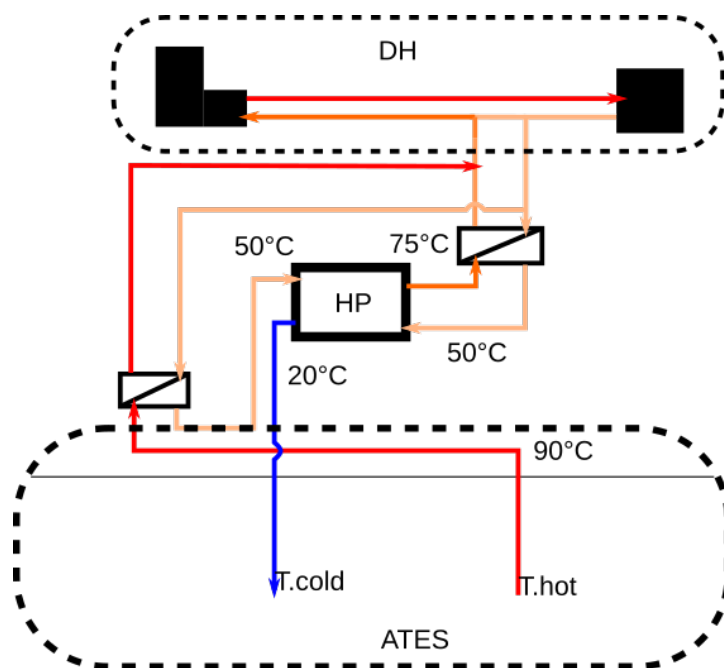
All figures from: Mindel & Driesner, WGC, 2020

TYPICAL YEARLY CURVE

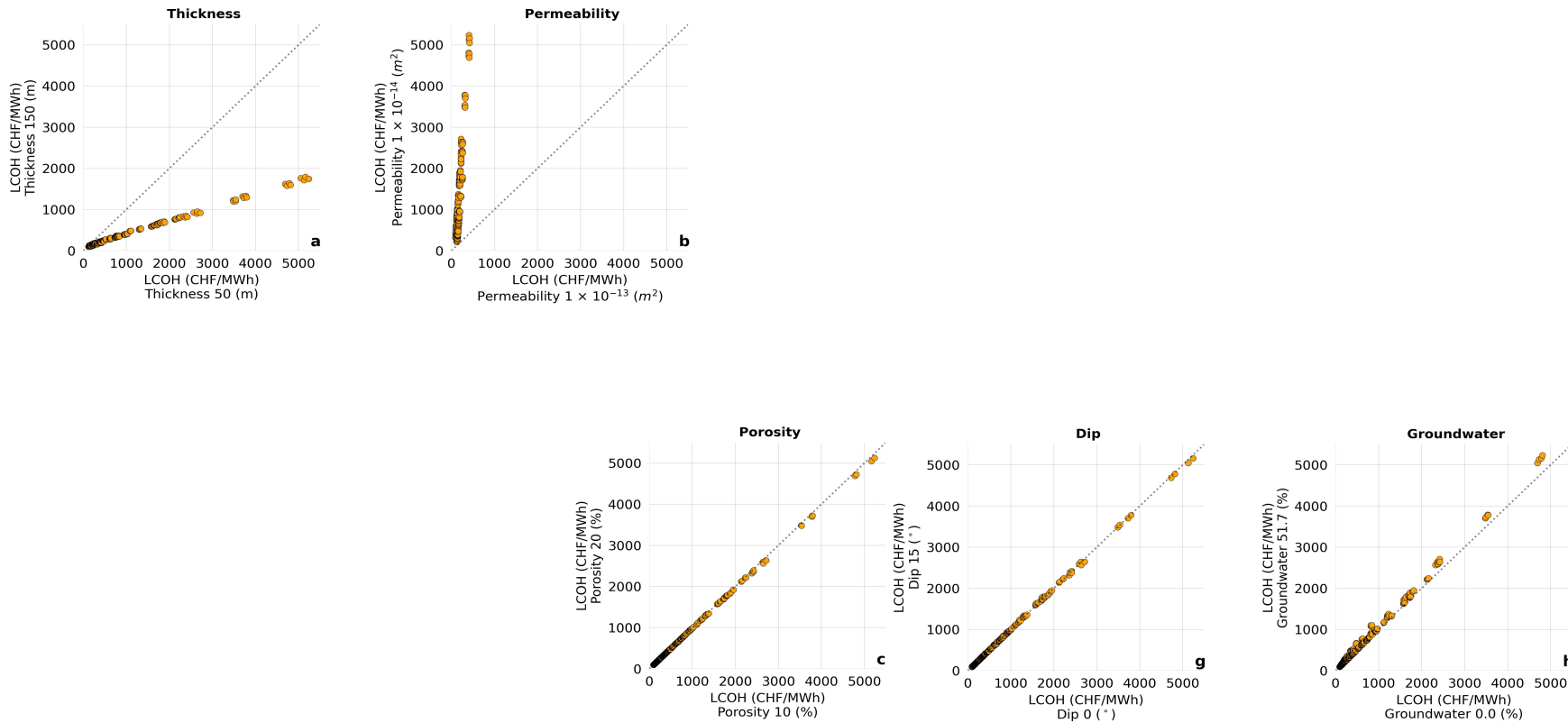


15 years of production

SYSTEM SCHEMATIC

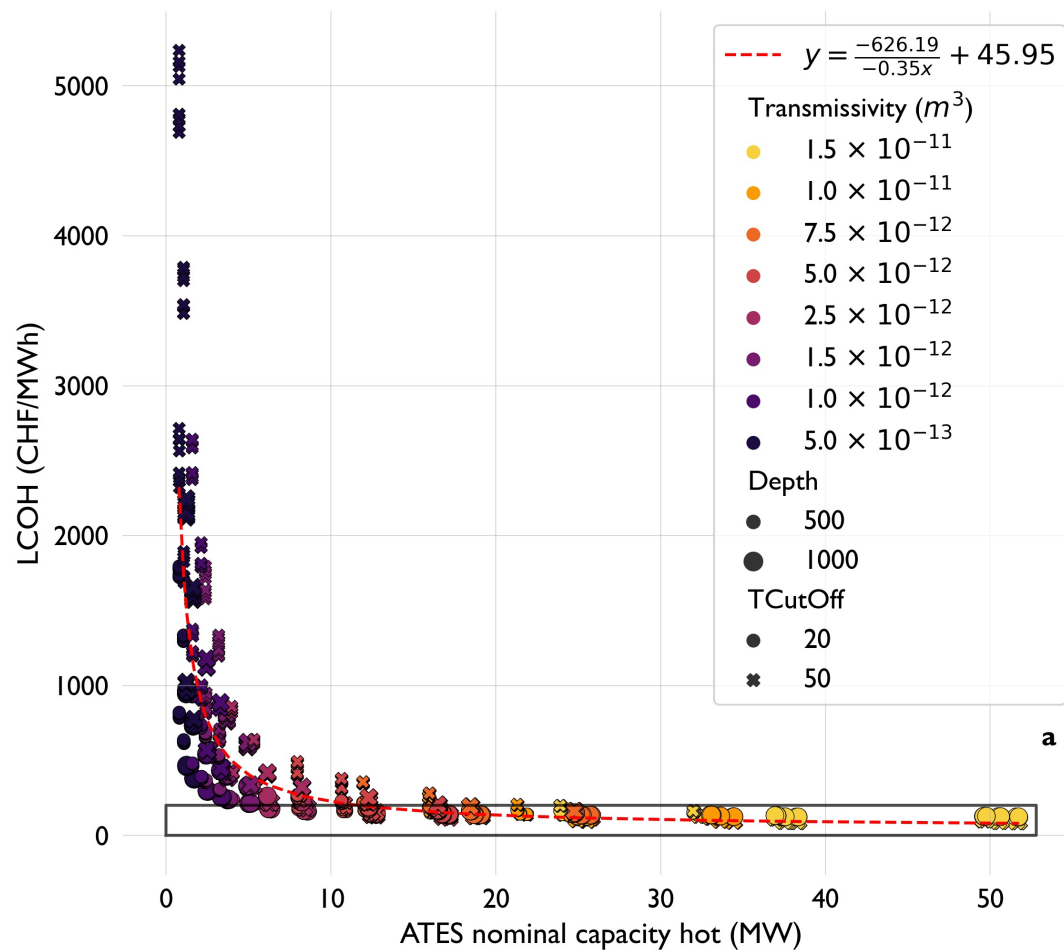


LCOH SENSITIVITY



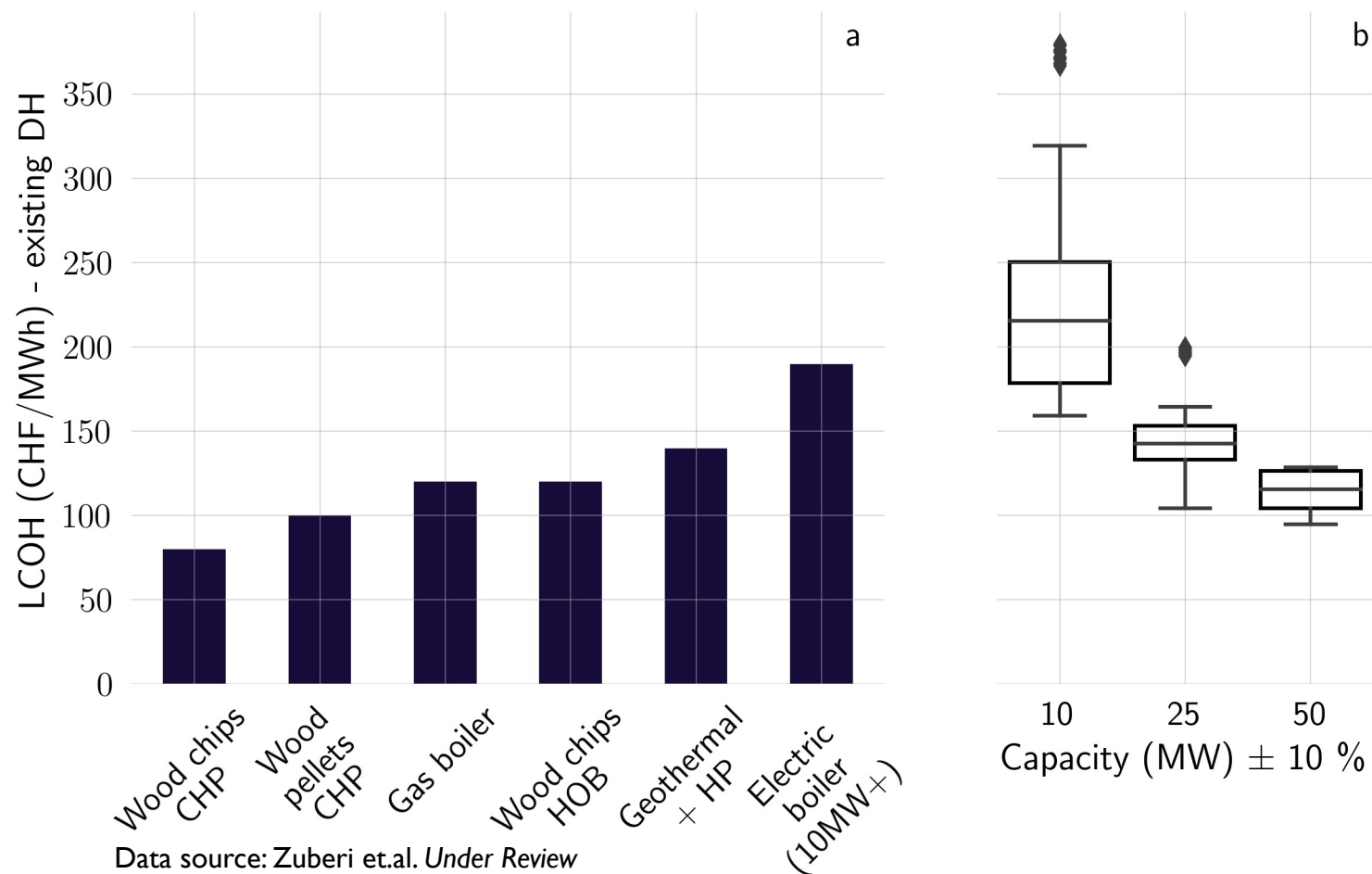
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LCOH VS NOMINAL CAPACITY

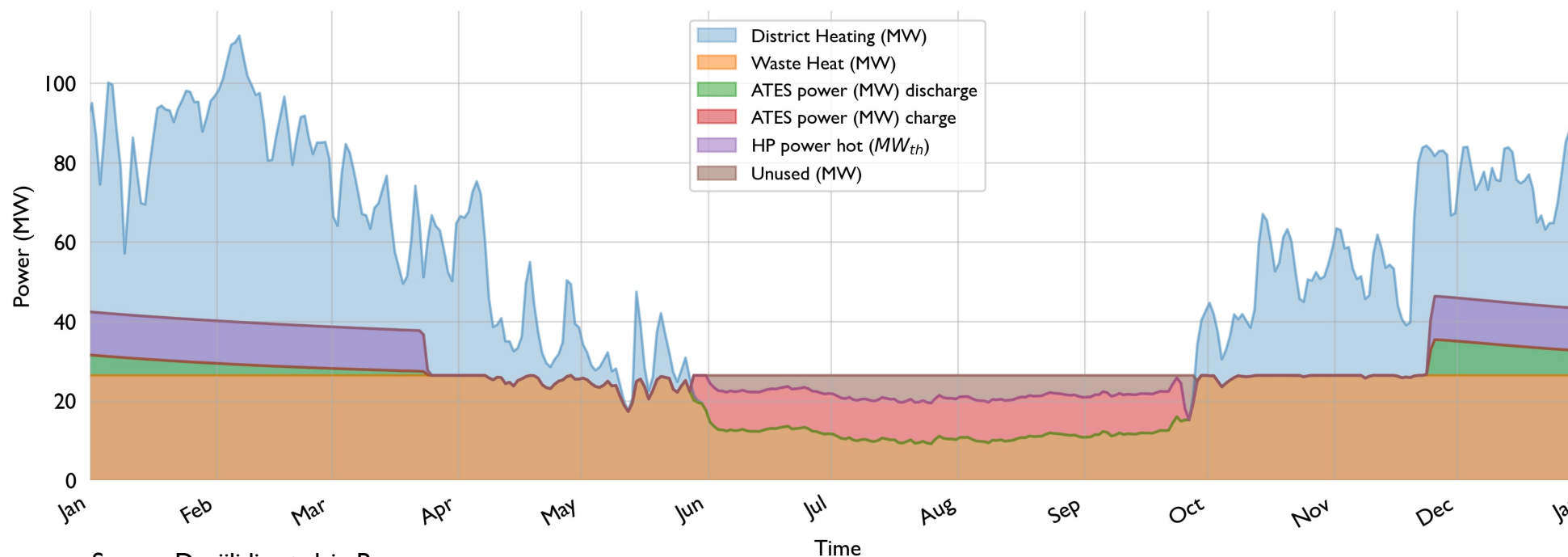


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LCOH VS OTHER HEAT SOURCES



HT-ATES CONTRIBUTION



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Aquifer thickness of 50 m, a doublet well design, no groundwater, 10% aquifer porosity, 15° dip, cut-off temperature of 20 °C and a depth of 1000 m., well spacing of 141 m.

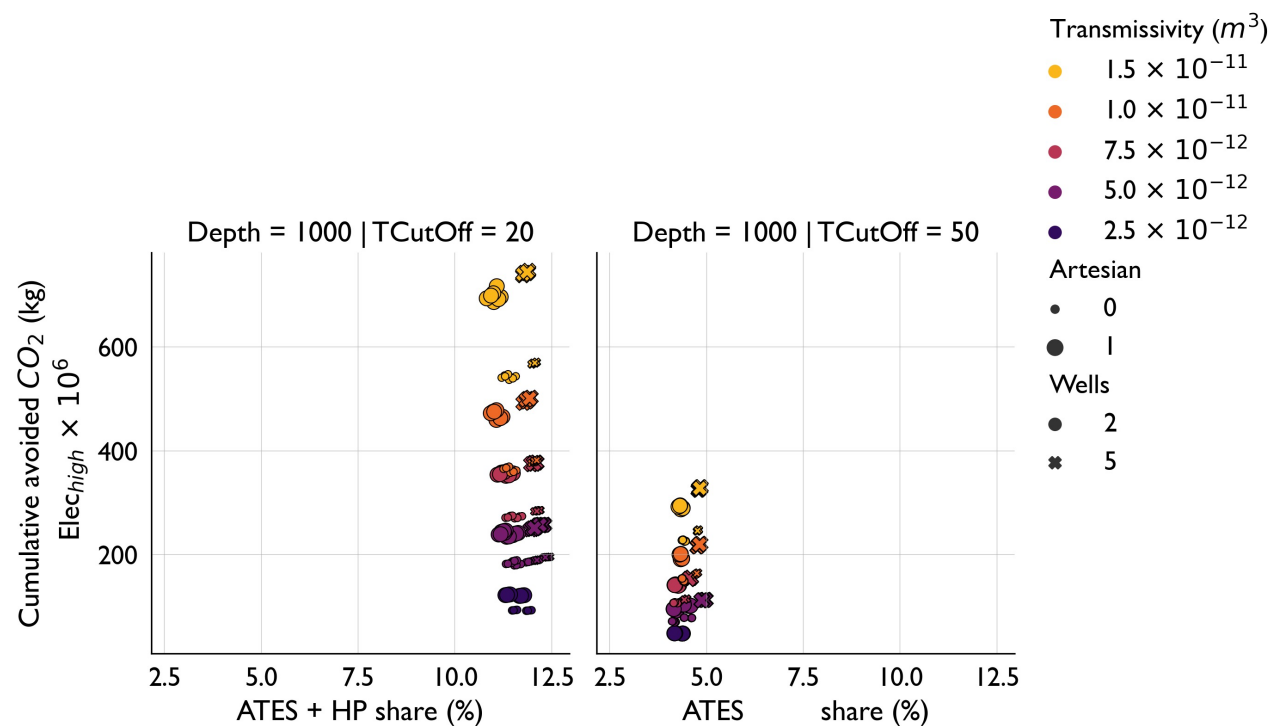
The unused part of waste heat amounts to 25.6% of the available waste heat during the charging period.

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ATES ENERGY SHARE VS AVOIDED CO₂ EMISSIONS

LCOH \leq 200 CHF/MWh

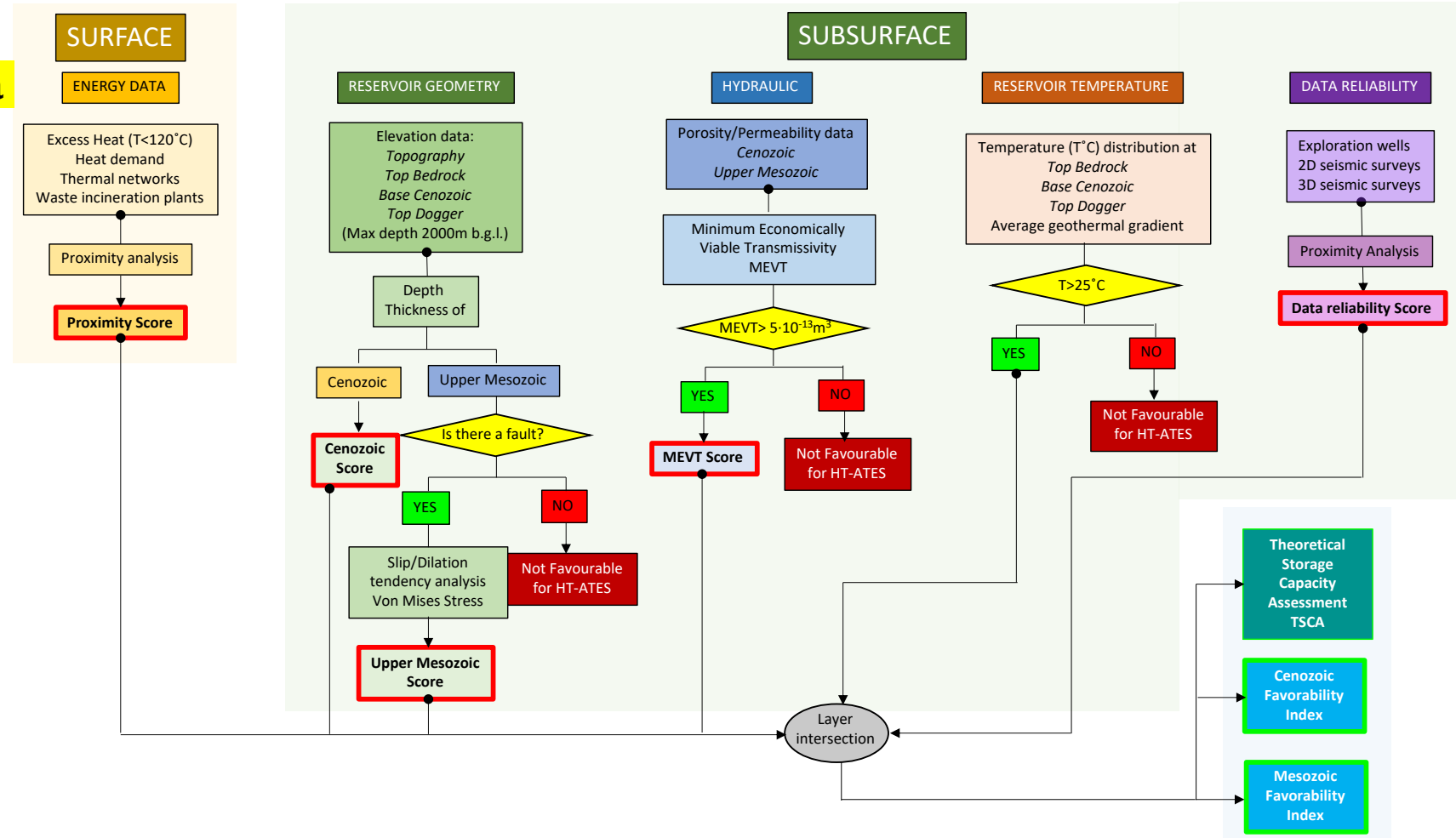


FAVOURABILITY ASSESSMENT FOR HT-ATES IN SWITZERLAND

Based on the concepts of **Play Analysis** and **Spatial Multi-criteria Analysis**

Main assumptions:

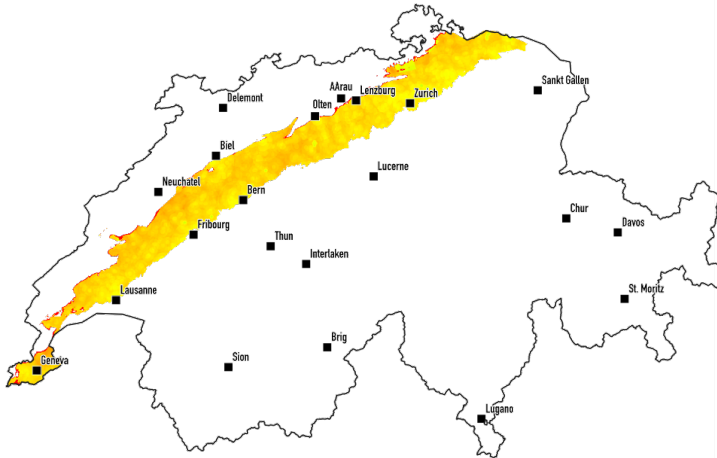
- 2 reservoirs: Cenozoic and Upper Mesozoic
- Down to 2000m max
- Injection temperature 120°C max
- Min temperature reservoir 25°C
- Computation of the storage cam



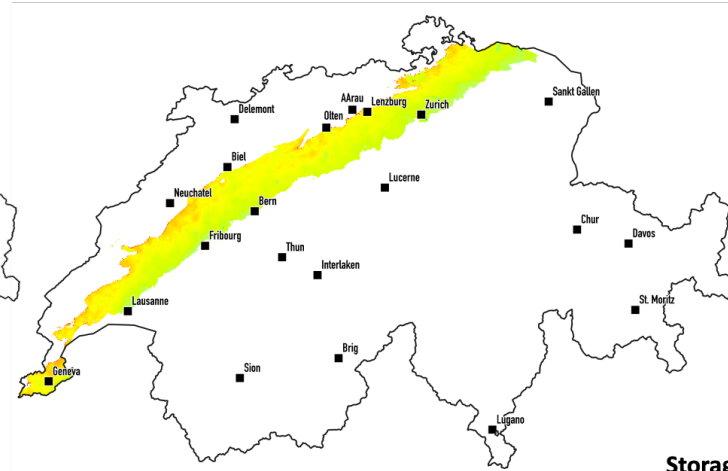
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Favourability Cenozoic

Storage capacity (mean)

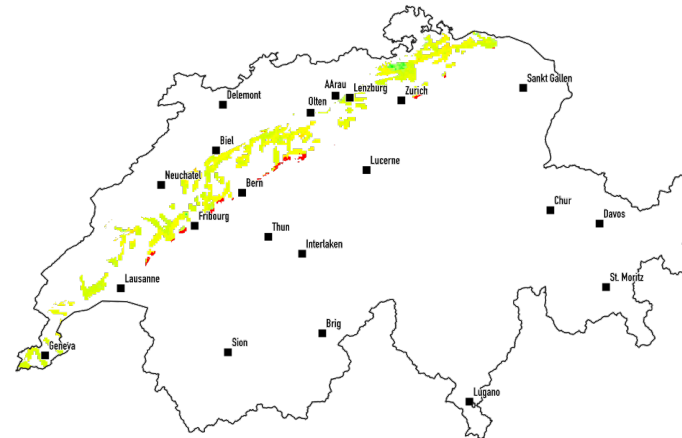


Storage capacity (MAX)

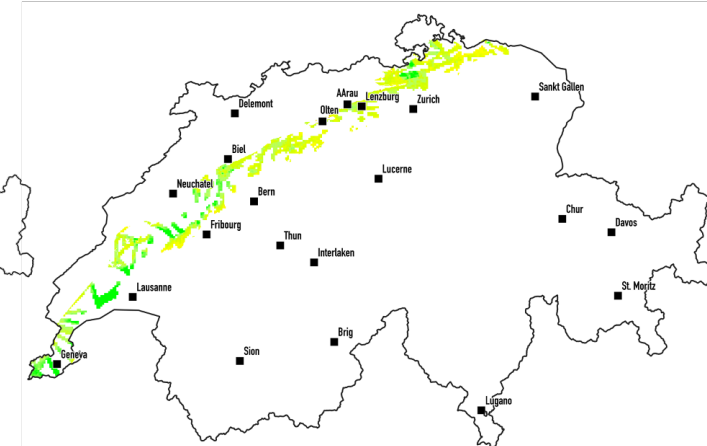


Favourability Mesozoic

Storage capacity (mean)



Storage capacity (MAX)

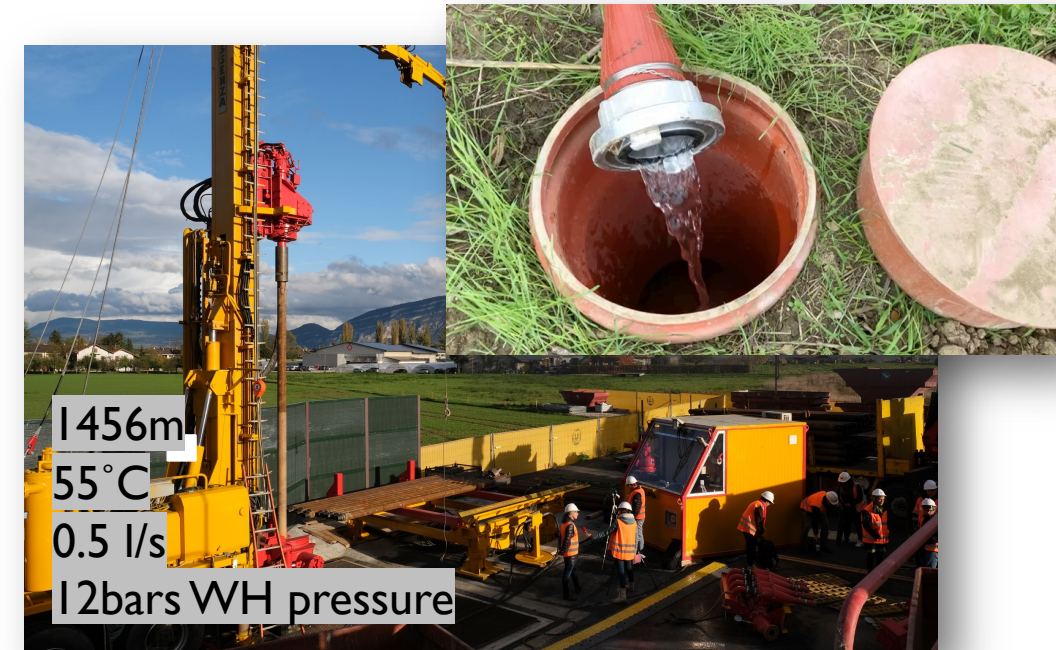


TALKING ABOUT FAVOURABILITY....

Artesian Flow at G_{Eo}-01 → Storage in the Mesozoic challenging. Can the Molasse be an alternative?

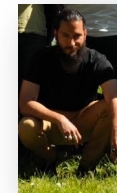
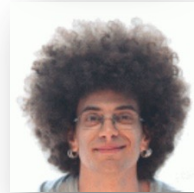
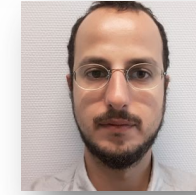
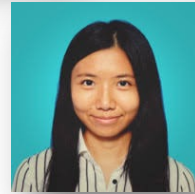


Low Flow at G_{Eo}-02 → Storage in the Mesozoic possible?



ARE ATEs THE BEST SOLUTION?

THE PEOPLE...



THANK YOU

QUESTIONS?

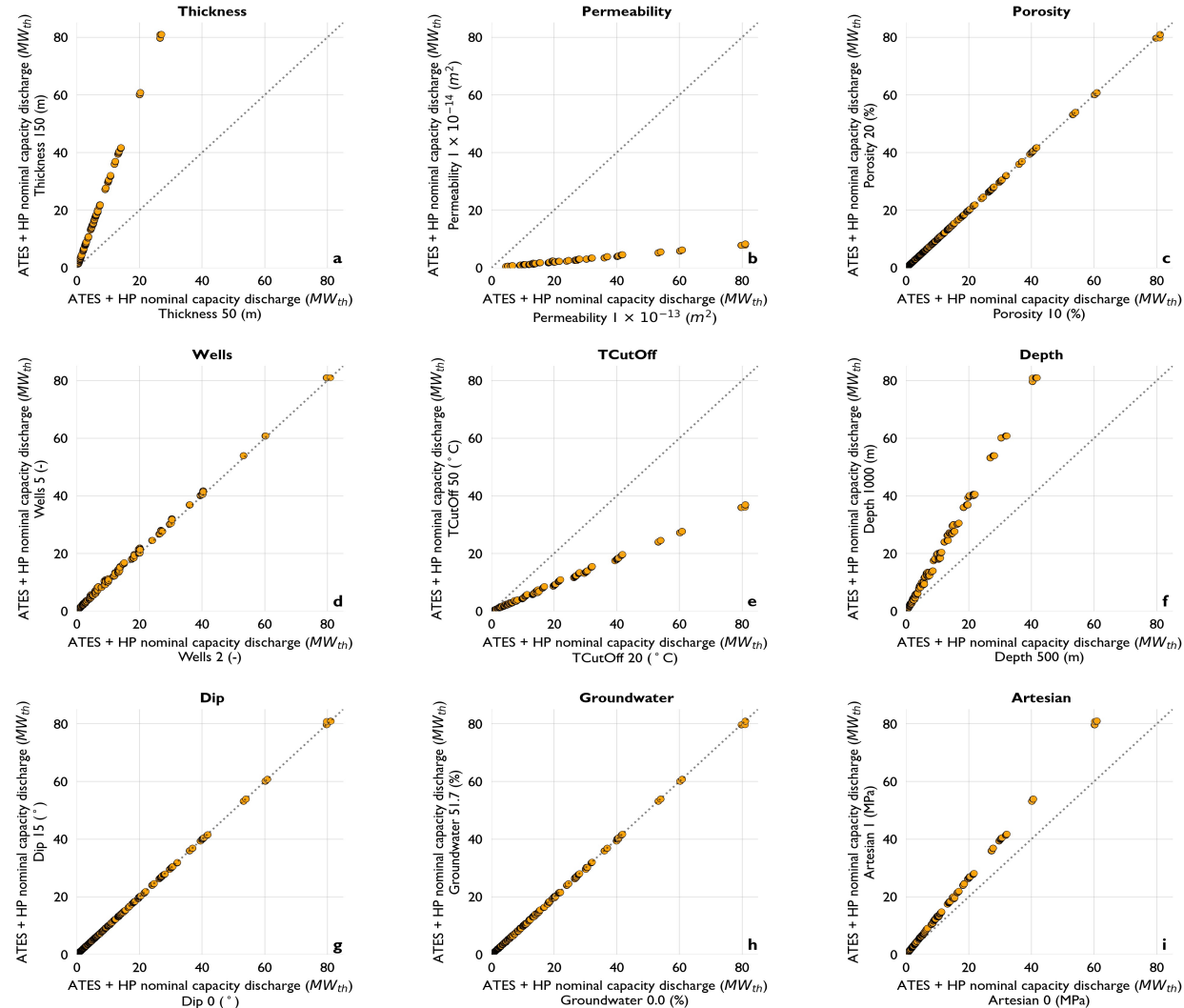


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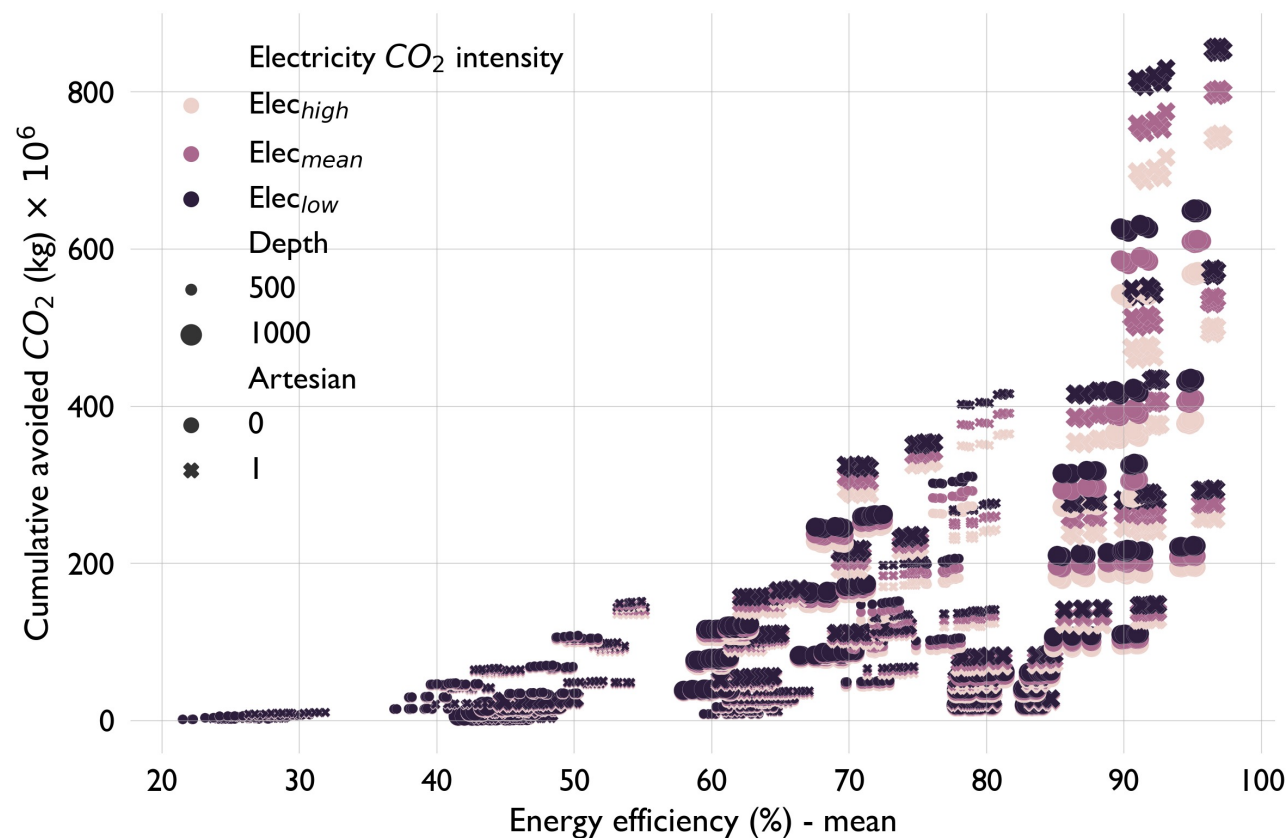


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CAPACITY SENSITIVITY



AVOIDED CO₂ EMISSIONS



TECHNO-ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

LEVELIZED COST OF HEAT

$$LCOH = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^n \frac{CapEx_t + OpEx_t}{(1+r)^t}}{\sum_{n=1}^n \frac{E_t}{(1+r)^t}}$$

$CapEx_t$: Capital Expenditures at time interval t

$OpEx_t$: Operation Expenditures at time interval t

E_t : Energy generated in time interval t

r : discount rate for period t

t : time interval

n : total number of time intervals

PUMPING POWER

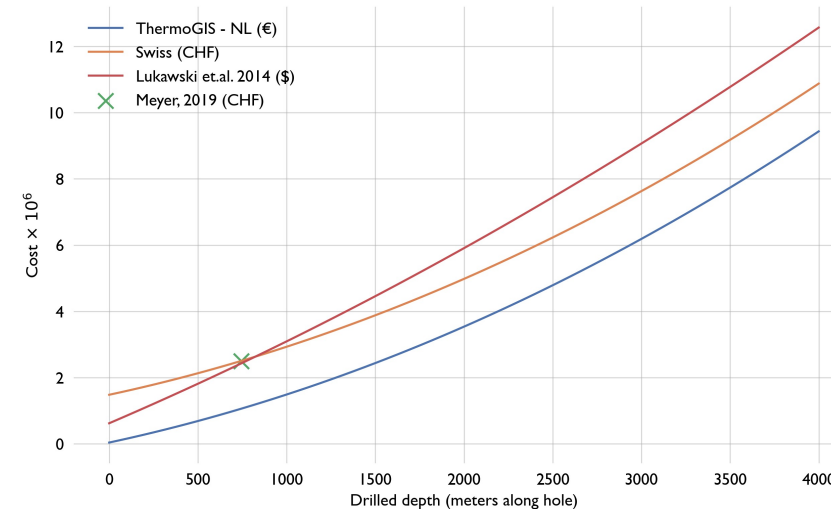
$$P_{pump} = \frac{q\Delta p}{\eta}$$

q : volume flow rate (m^3/s)

Δp : pressure difference (Pa)

η : pump efficiency

DRILLING COSTS



TECHNO-ECONOMIC INPUTS

Variable	Value	Units	Source
Electricity price	120	CHF/MWh	Meyer, 2019
Annual OpEx	3	% of CapEx	Meyer, 2019
Annual discount rate	5	%	
Production pump efficiency	50	%	
Injection pump efficiency	40	%	
Cost of pump	500k	CHF	
Pump replacement	7	years	

HT-ATES SIMULATION INPUTS

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