

# Pushing to Zero Carbon Hydrogen

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# Air Products

...a leader in the global industrial gas industry

**\$10.3**  
billion in FY21 sales

**20,000+**  
employees

**50**  
countries

**~\$55B**  
market cap

**80**  
years in business

**170,000+**  
customers

**1,800**  
miles of industrial  
gas pipeline

**750+**  
production  
facilities

**30+**  
industries  
served

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# Air Products: World Hydrogen Leader

The world's largest hydrogen producer with **proven reliability**

**1100+** kilometers of pipeline  
**> 32** billion Nm<sup>3</sup>/year

**H<sub>2</sub>** The world's longest H<sub>2</sub> pipeline system and world-class liquid hydrogen supplier

**15+** years safe fueling

**250+** Hydrogen fueling projects worldwide

**30+** H<sub>2</sub> Electrolyzer projects

**20+** countries Unique product offering for H<sub>2</sub> fueling

**1,500,000** fueling per year  
**10 million** Total fueling

**~50** patents for hydrogen fueling



# Hydrogen Will be Key to the Energy Transition

TECH > HYDROGEN | 14 May 2021 | updated 05 Nov 2021 9:31am

## Hydrogen vital for decarbonisation of heavy industries – report

The decarbonisation of hard-to-abate industrial sectors will hinge on the widespread use of hydrogen, confirms a study by Aurora Energy Research.

By Energy Monitor Staff

**FINANCIAL TIMES**  
**Hydrogen: can the lightest gas turn heavy industry green?**  
Steel, cement and chemicals industries must cut carbon footprints to meet EU emissions deadlines



## Heavy duty transport transition will rely more on hydrogen than batteries says new forecast

Thursday, 23 June 2022



## Green hydrogen seen as best option for steel decarbonization

Mar 8, 2022

Global steel manufacturing is responsible for quarter of global industrial sector carbon dioxide emissions and decarbonizing the sector using green hydrogen is the most promising, though initially expensive, option, say industry heads and analysts.



## The hydrogen revolution in the skies

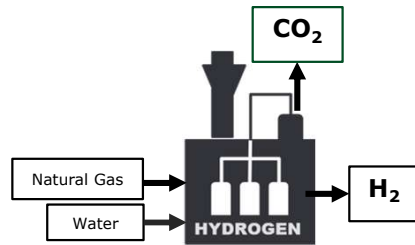
By Caspar Henderson 7th April 2021

A record-breaking commercial-scale hydrogen plane has taken off in the UK, with more set to join it soon. How far can such planes go in cutting the aviation industry's emissions?

# Hydrogen production is moving towards low-carbon

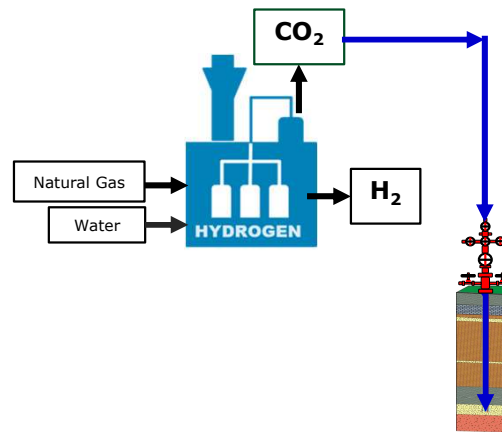
## Grey Hydrogen

- Steam methane reforming (SMR): ~95% of world's H<sub>2</sub> production
- Large installed base: **need retrofit solution**



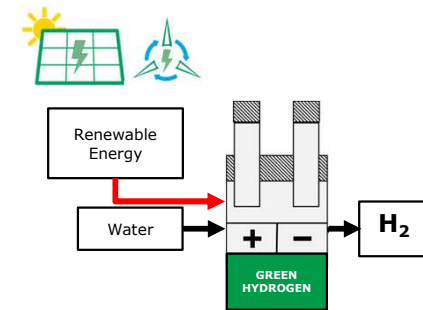
## Blue Hydrogen

- SMR / ATR / Gasification with CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage
- Can achieve negative carbon emissions



## Green Hydrogen

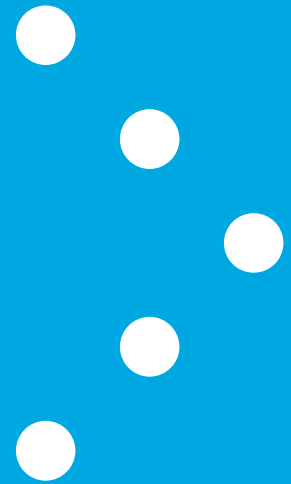
- Electrolysis of water with renewable energy
- CO<sub>2</sub>-free, requires new construction and low-cost renewable energy



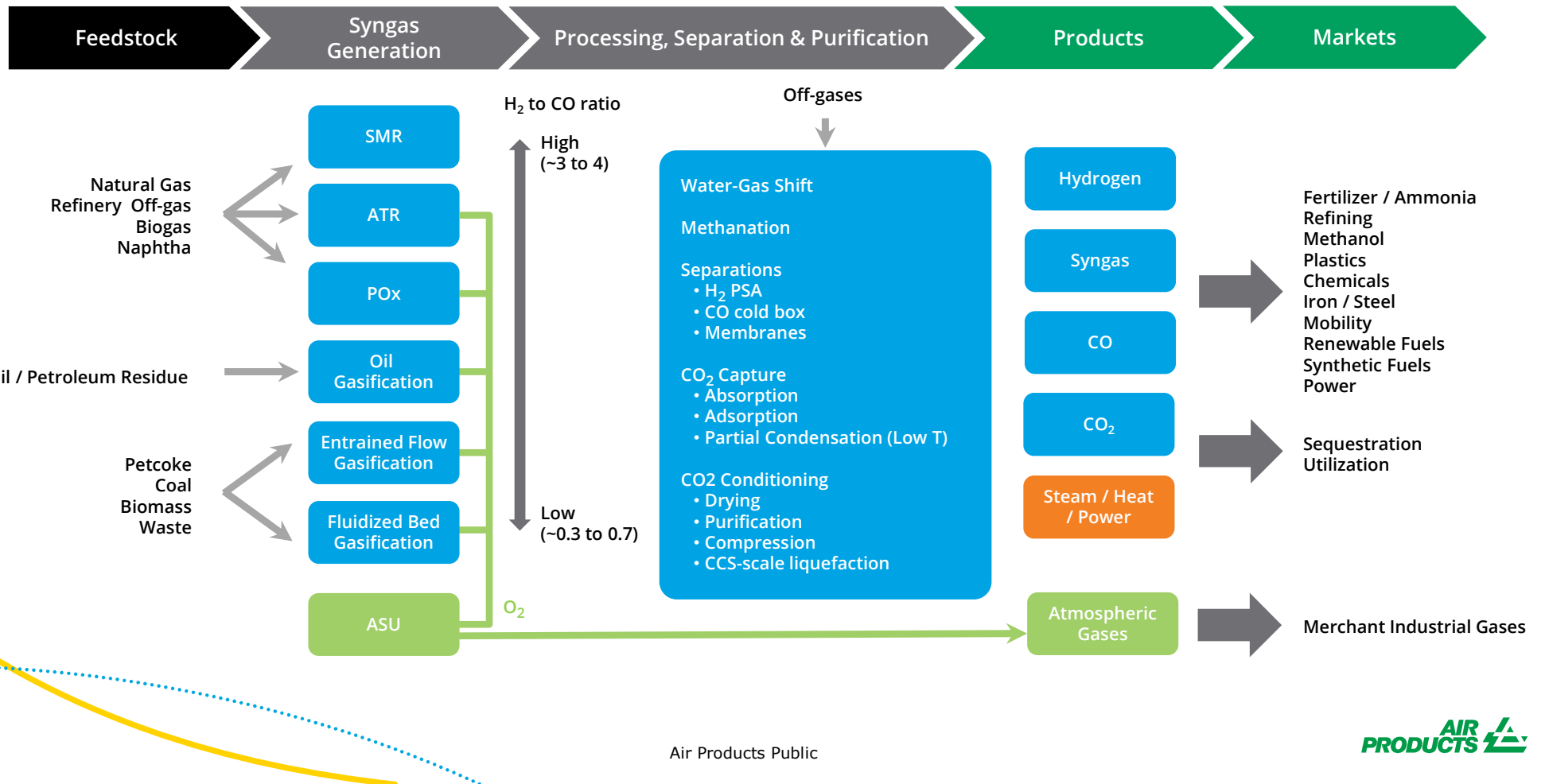
**Current state**  
(~70 million tonnes H<sub>2</sub> annually)

**Carbon-free future**  
(50–100+ % CO<sub>2</sub> reduction w/CC, carbon-free w/Electrolysis + Renewable Power)

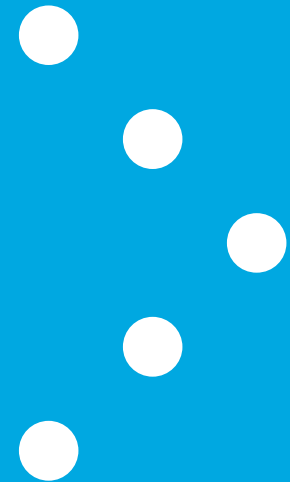
# Blue Hydrogen



# Air Products' Blue H<sub>2</sub>, Syngas & CCUS Portfolio



# Steam Methane Reforming





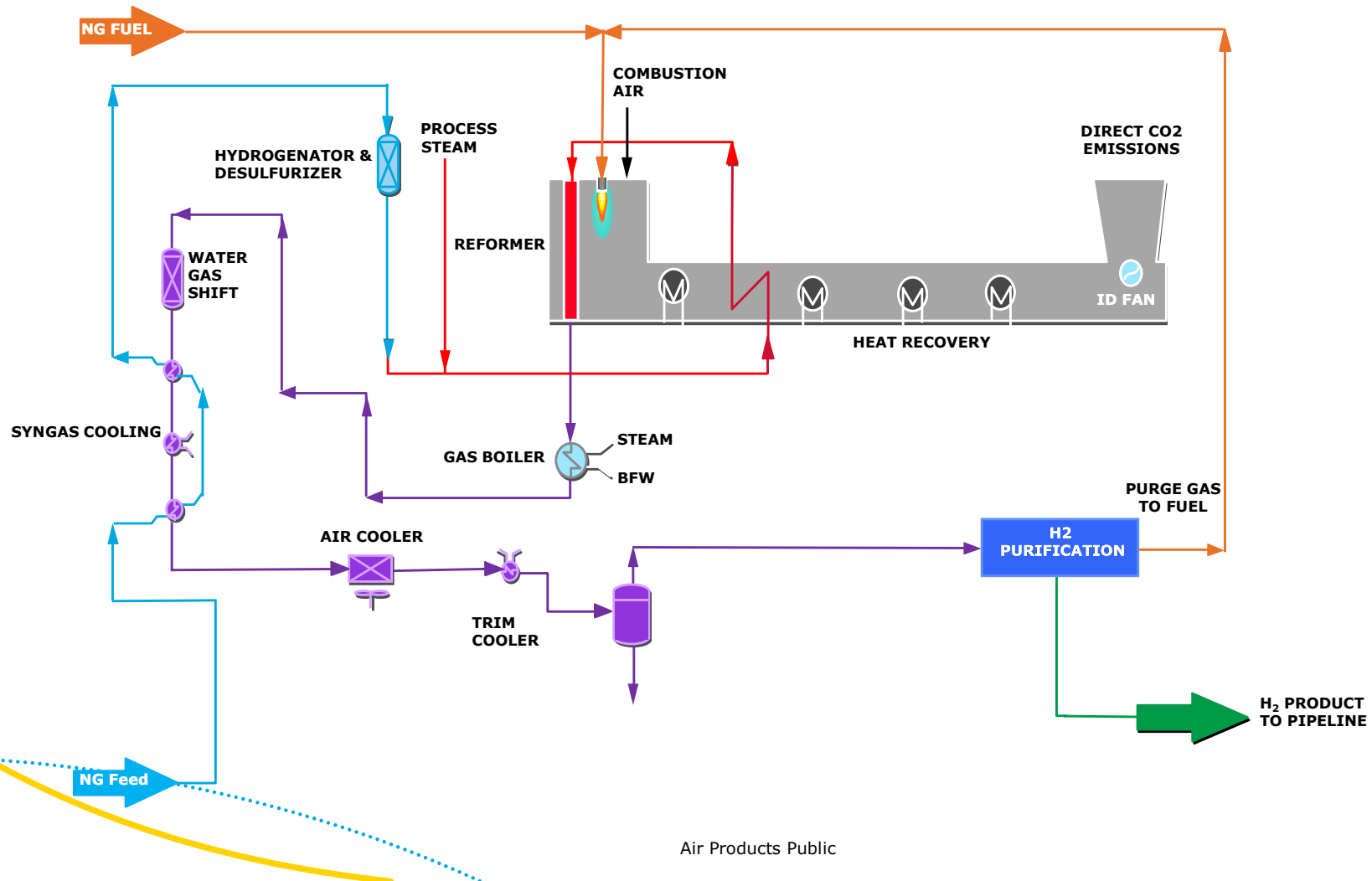
# Steam Methane Reformer for Blue Hydrogen

- **Typical feedstocks**
  - Natural gas
  - Light hydrocarbons (LPG, Off Gases)
- **Co-product (if required)**
  - Steam
  - Power
- **Size range**
  - 100 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h to 200,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h H<sub>2</sub>
  - (0.1 to 175 MMSCFD)
- **Typical CO<sub>2</sub> recovery**
  - ~50% for SMR

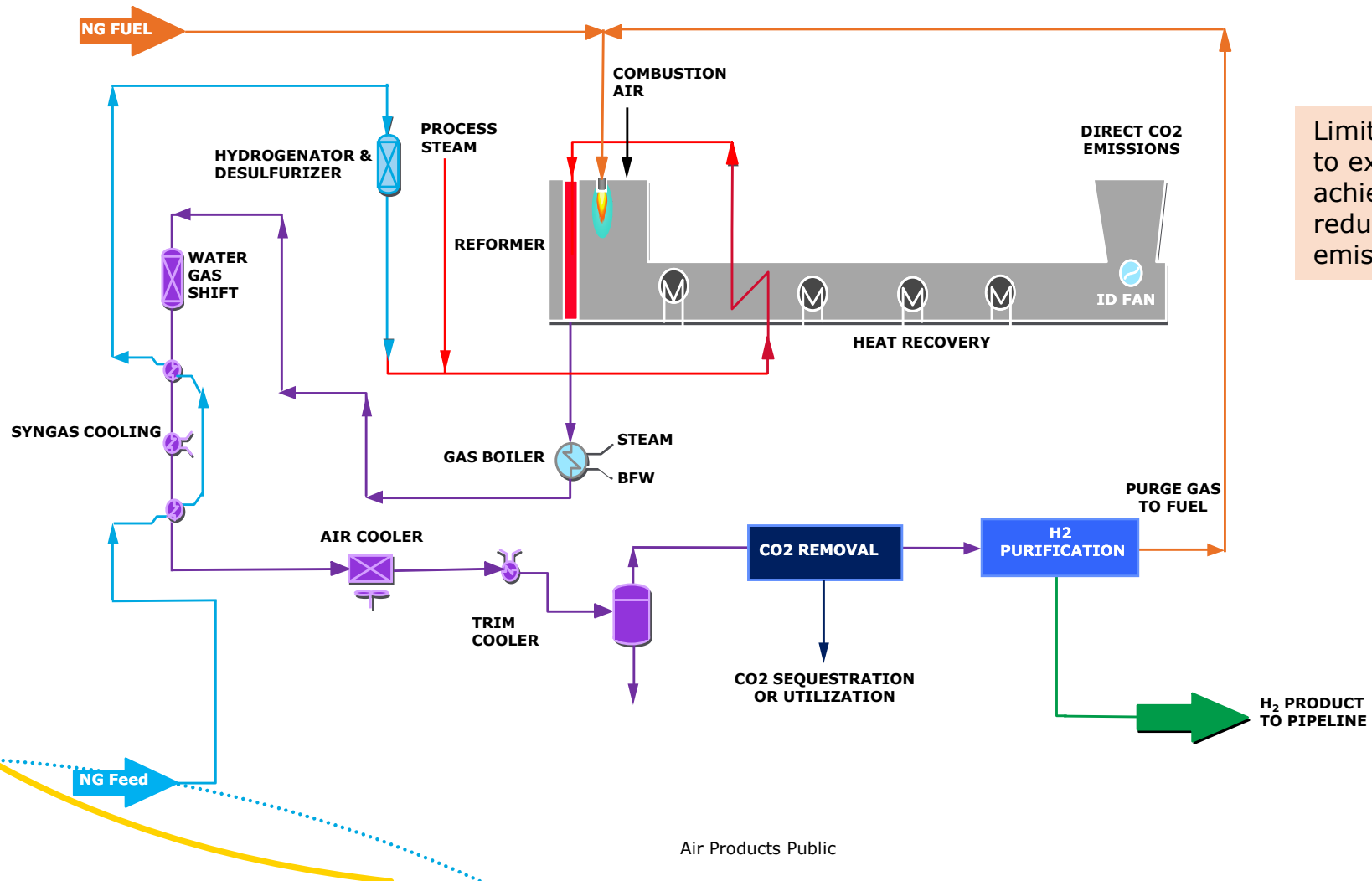


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# Typical Gray SMR Flowsheet



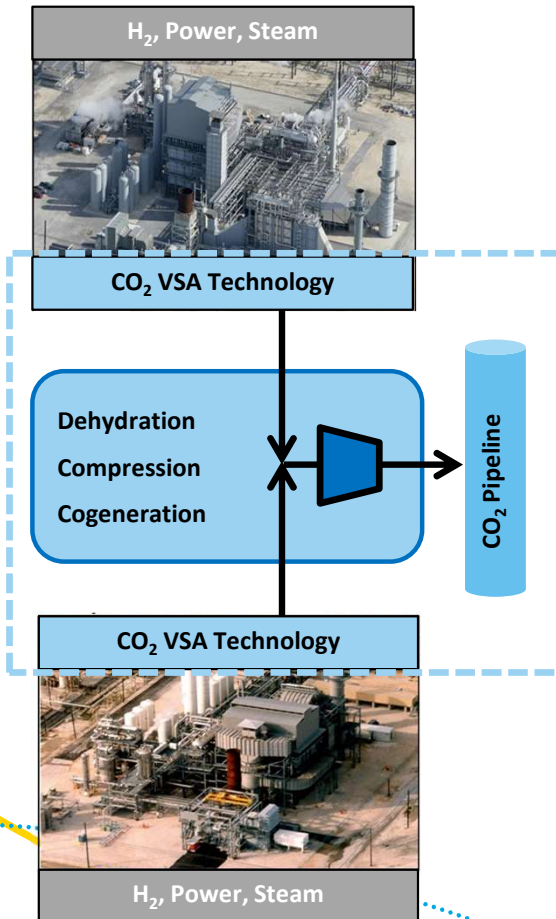
# Typical Blue SMR Flowsheet



Limited modification to existing SMR will achieve ~50% reduction in CO2 emissions.

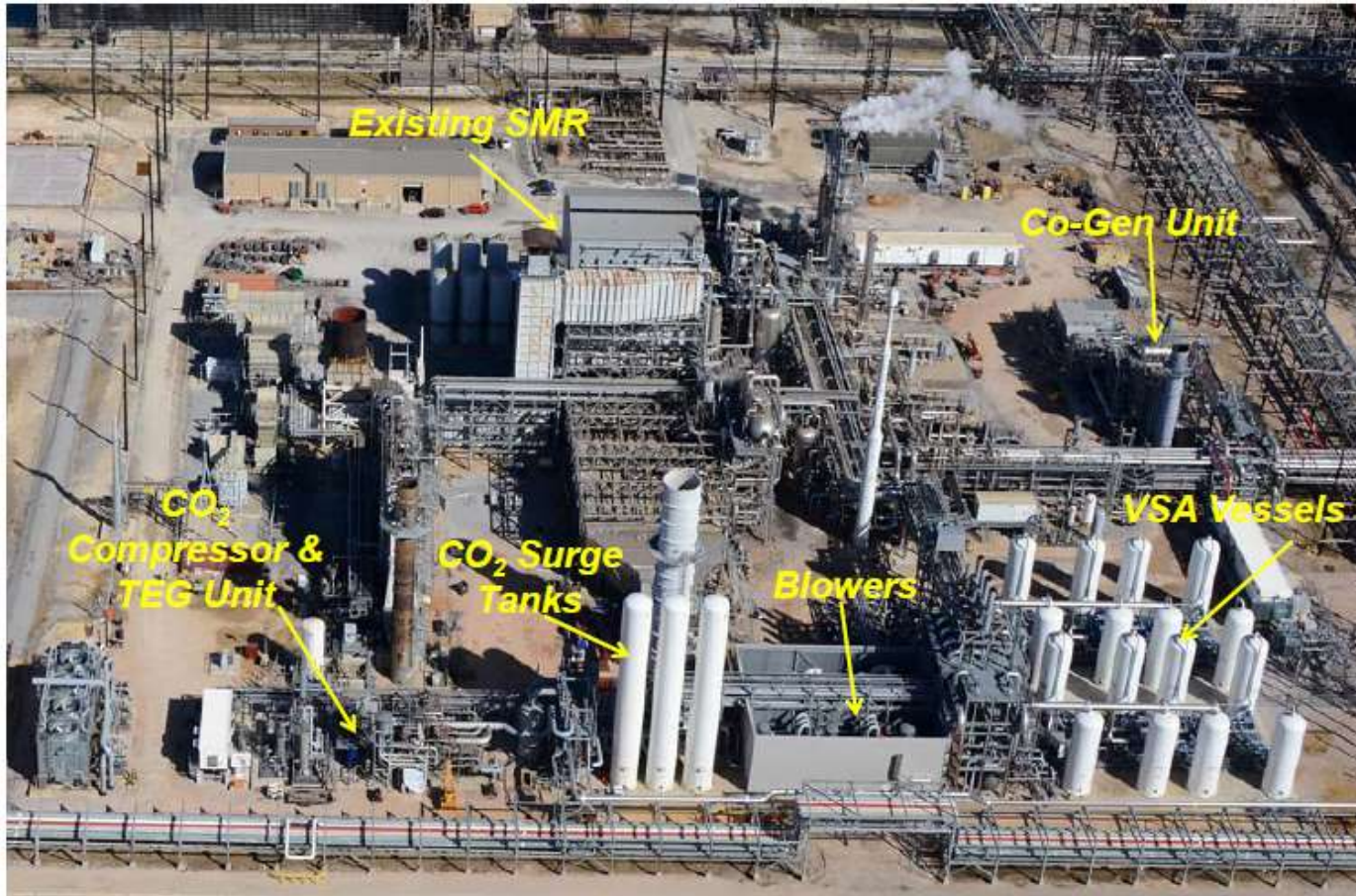
# Air Products Port Arthur CO<sub>2</sub> Project

2012 onstream



- Retrofit of 2 Steam-Methane Reformers (SMR) that sit in the middle of a refinery
- Capture and purification of CO<sub>2</sub> from hydrogen plants (syngas) for EOR
- Technology developed by Air Products
- 90%+ capture of CO<sub>2</sub> in syngas (flue gas CO<sub>2</sub> not captured)
- 1 million tons per year of CO<sub>2</sub> to Denbury's Green Pipeline for West Hastings oilfield
- 30 MW Cogeneration unit to generate power and make-up steam
- Over 9 years of continuous operation

# Overview of Air Products project site: Port Arthur, Texas



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# Auto Thermal Reforming (ATR) and Partial Oxidation (POX)



# Auto Thermal Reforming and Partial Oxidation

- **Typical Feedstocks**

- ATR: Natural Gas, Light Hydrocarbons, treated as SMR
- POX: Flexible Feedstocks (Non-catalytic Process)

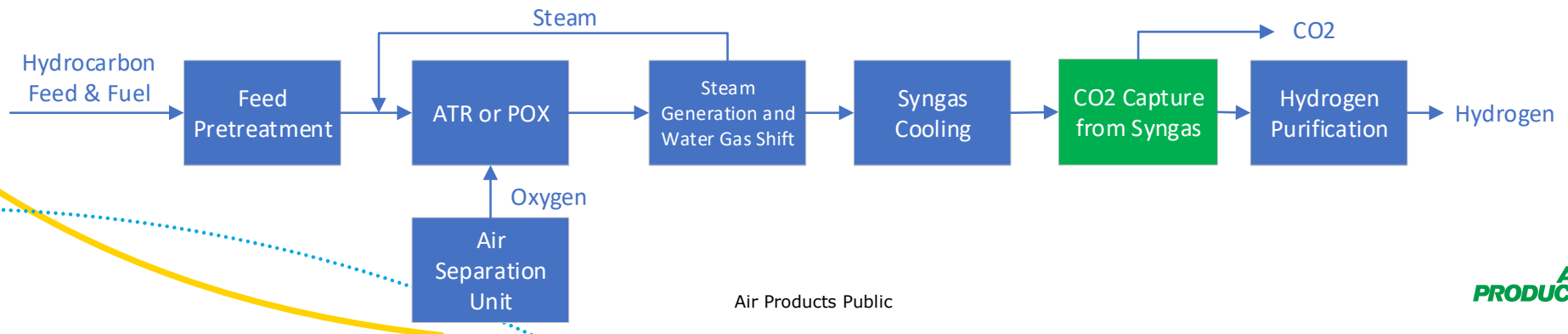
- **Maximum size typically up to 500,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h H<sub>2</sub>**

- **Advantages of ATR/POX**

- Larger plant sizes possible
- Simple CO<sub>2</sub> capture to > 95%

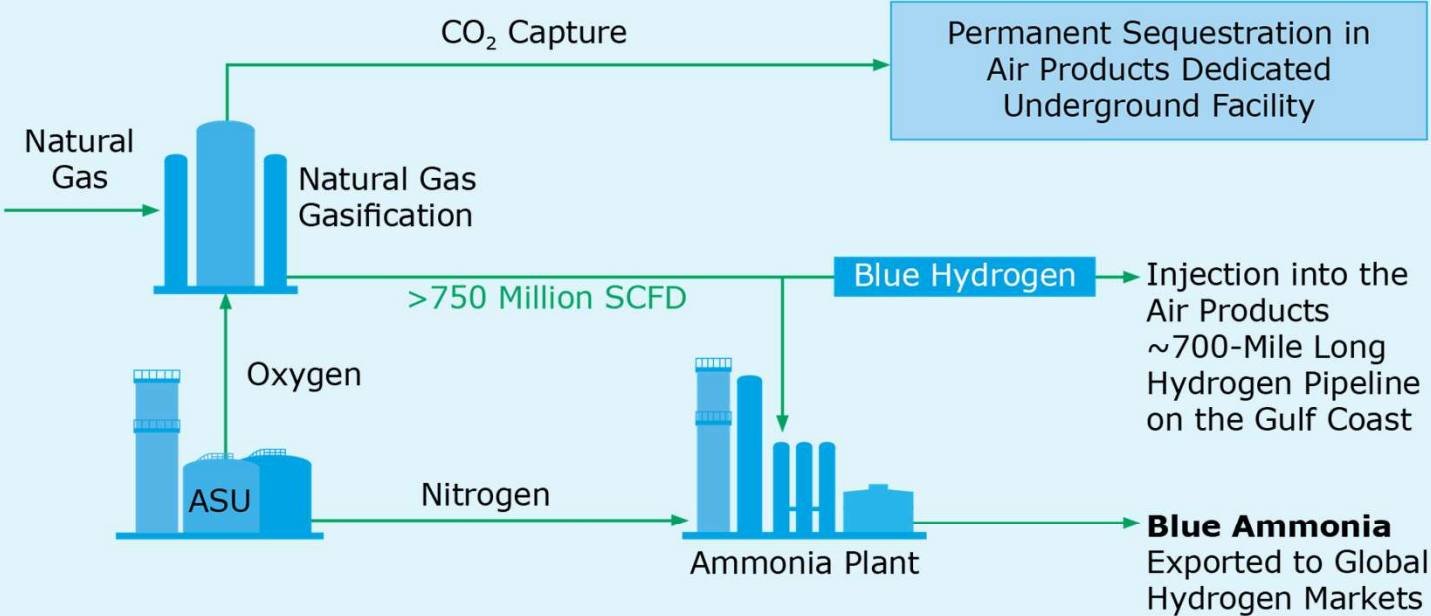
- **Disadvantages of ATR/POX**

- Requires an Air Separation Unit (ASU)
- 15,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h Hydrogen would require 3600 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h O<sub>2</sub> (124MT/d)



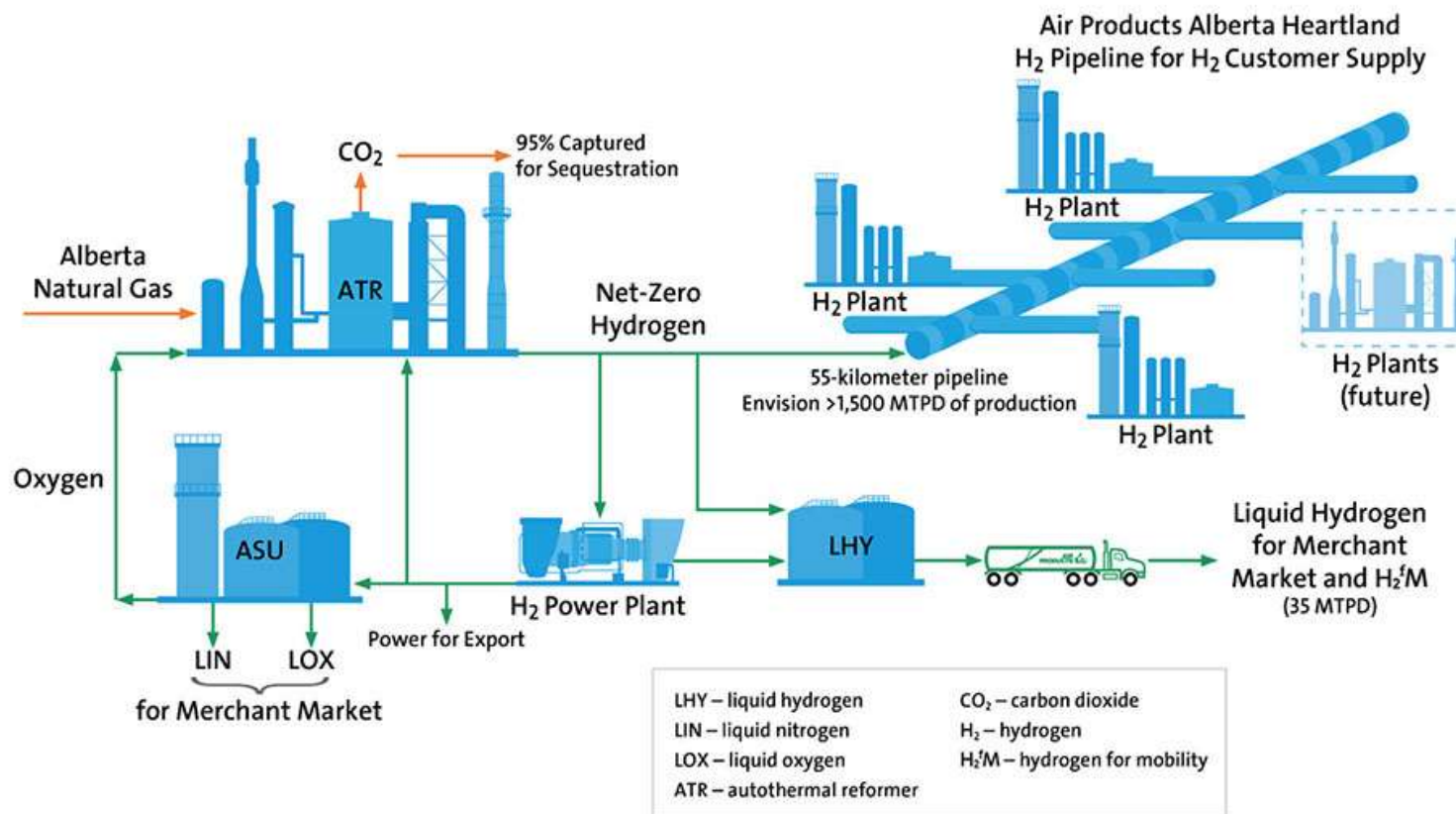
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# World's Largest Blue Hydrogen Facility Louisiana, USA



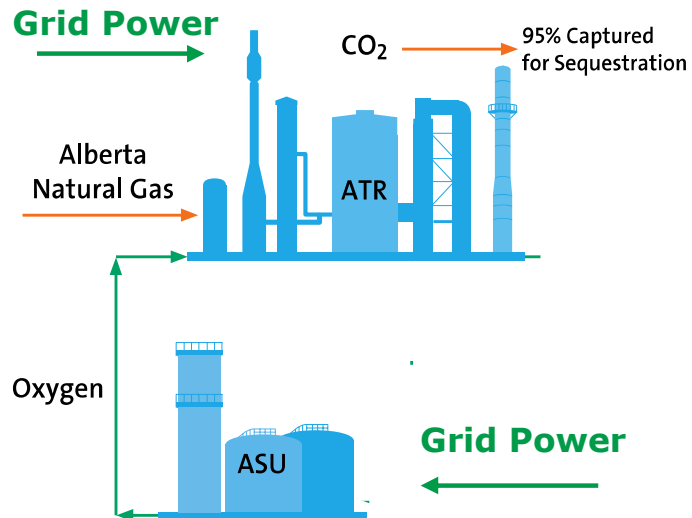


# World-Scale Net-Zero Hydrogen Energy Complex Alberta, Canada

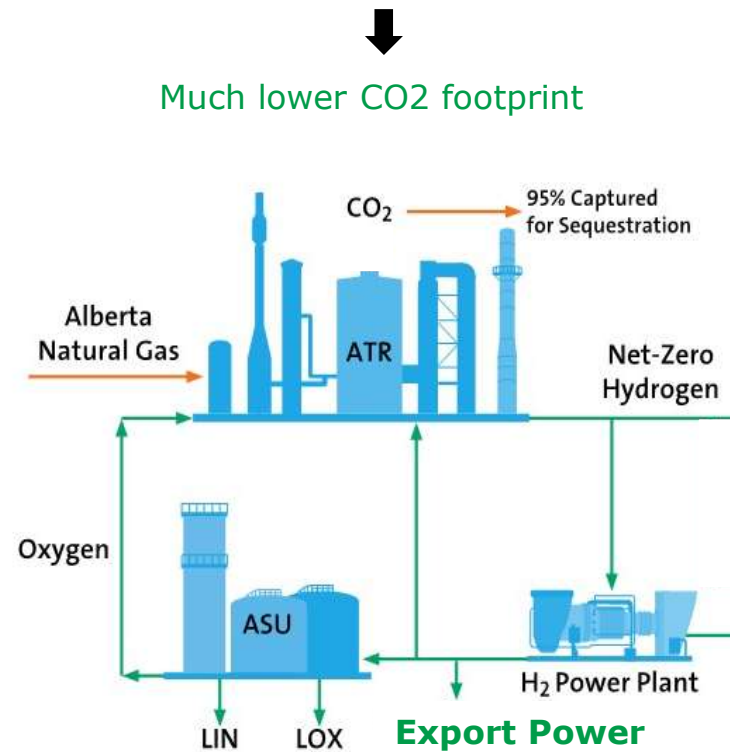


# Paradigm Shift – H2 Plant as Power Producer

Conventional – Grid power is *imported*

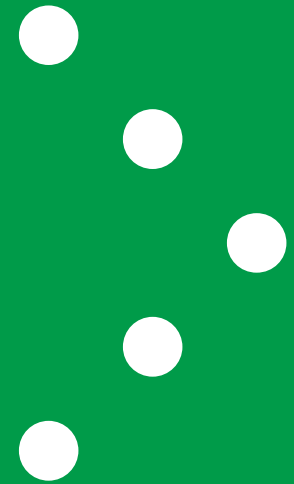


Air Products Blue H<sub>2</sub>: Power is *exported*



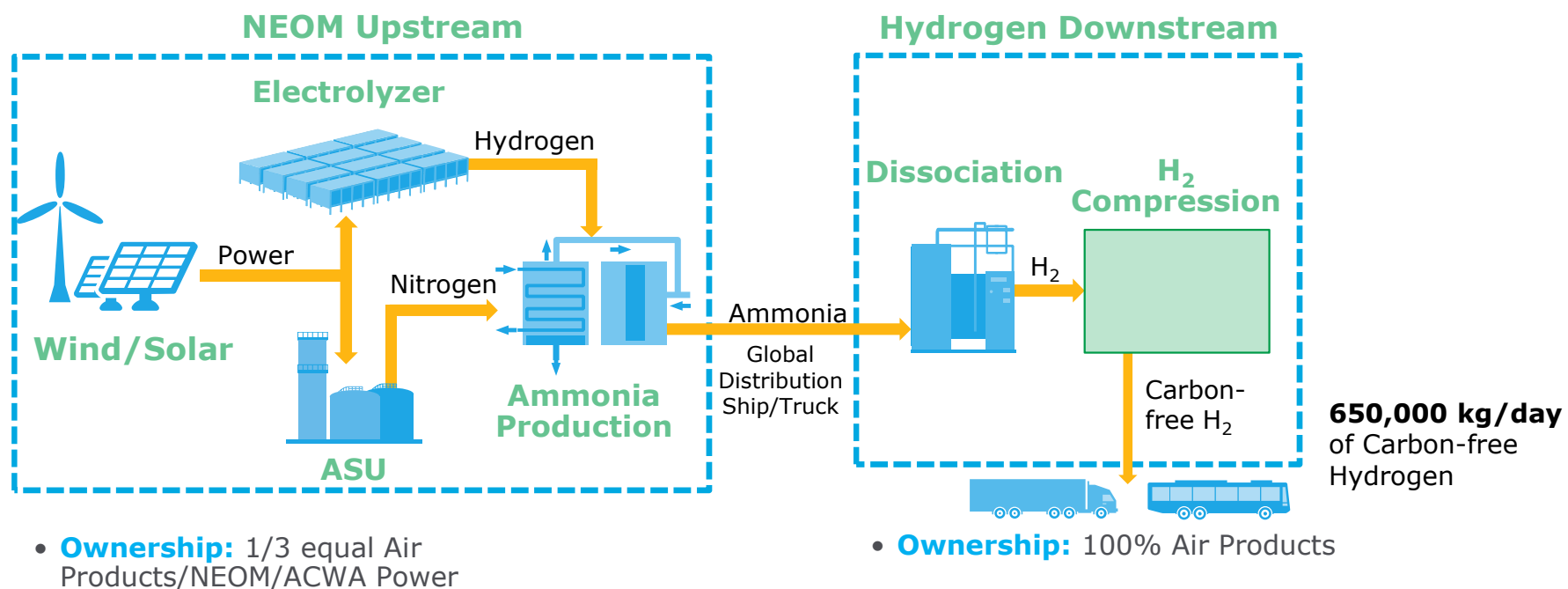
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# Green Hydrogen



# NEOM Carbon-free hydrogen

Produced and delivered with world-class technology



**Multi-billion-dollar total investment**

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# Pushing to Zero Carbon Hydrogen

- Air Products, world leader in Hydrogen, is a first mover in both blue and green hydrogen
  - Louisiana and Alberta are the first of many world-scale blue hydrogen projects
  - NEOM is the first of many world-scale green hydrogen projects
- Investments in large scale projects will accelerate learning and drive technology development across the hydrogen supply chain
- Air Products is excited about our on-going work in Saudi Arabia, including hydrogen research at our Technology Center in Dharan Techno Valley
- Air Products is committed to further pursuit of collaboration projects in Saudi Arabia in the push to zero carbon hydrogen



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