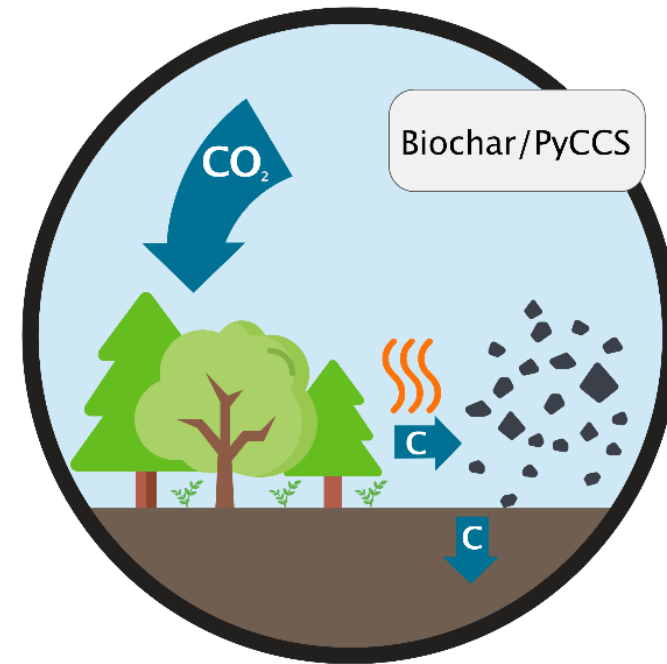


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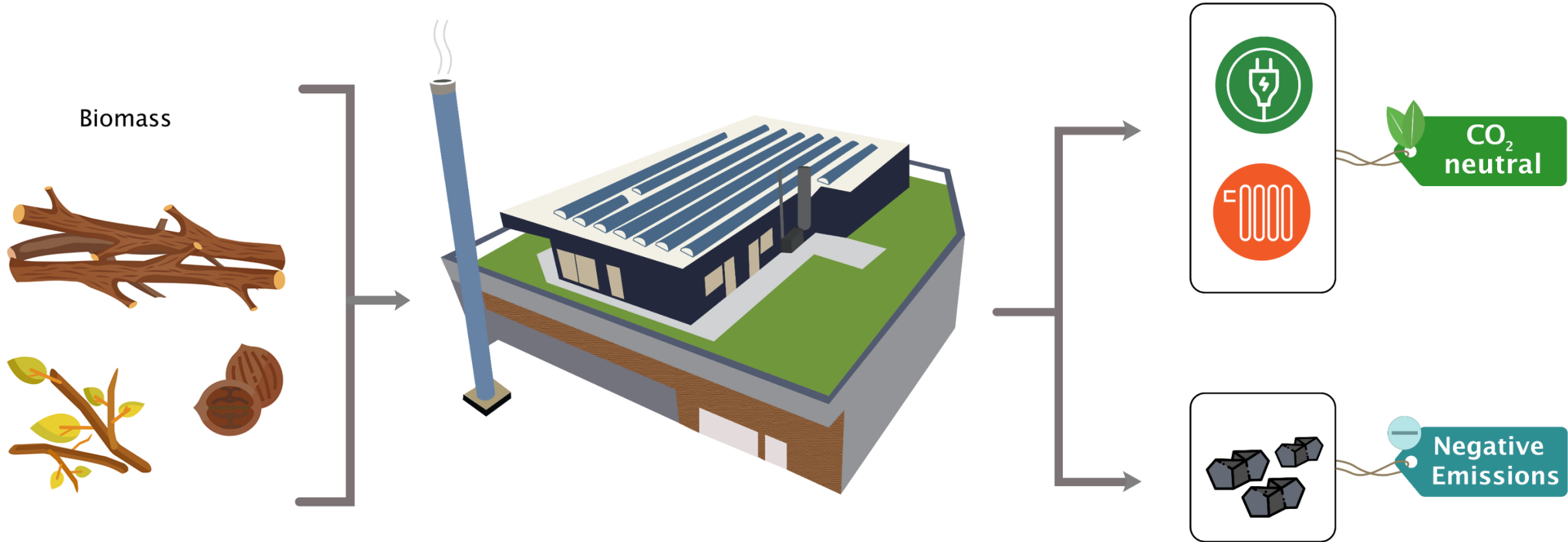
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Biochar & Pyrogenic Carbon Capture and Storage (PyCCS)



PyCCS/Biochar goes hand-in-hand with bioenergy

Up to fourfold value creation: electricity, heat, biochar and negative emissions

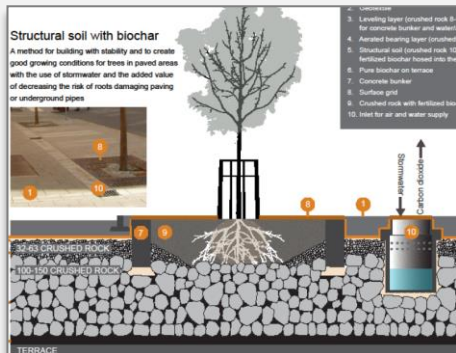


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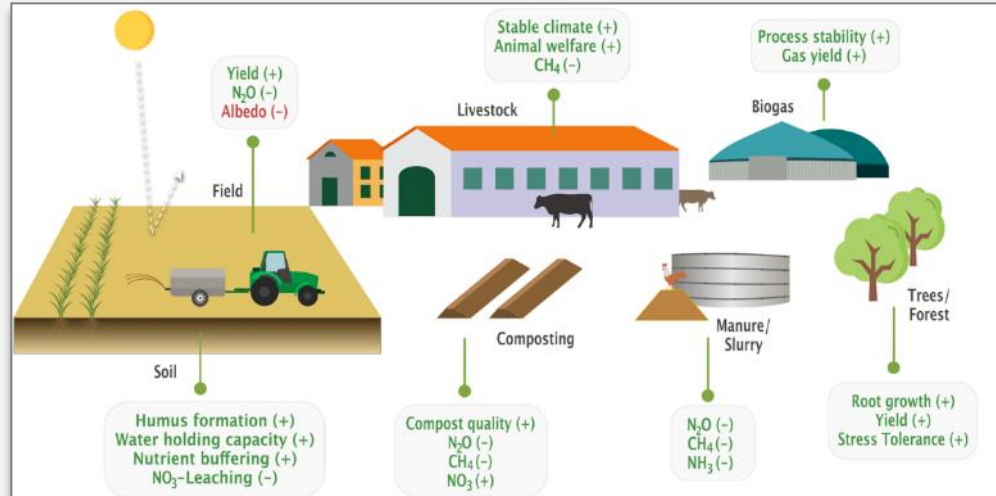
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Broad range of applications of Biochar

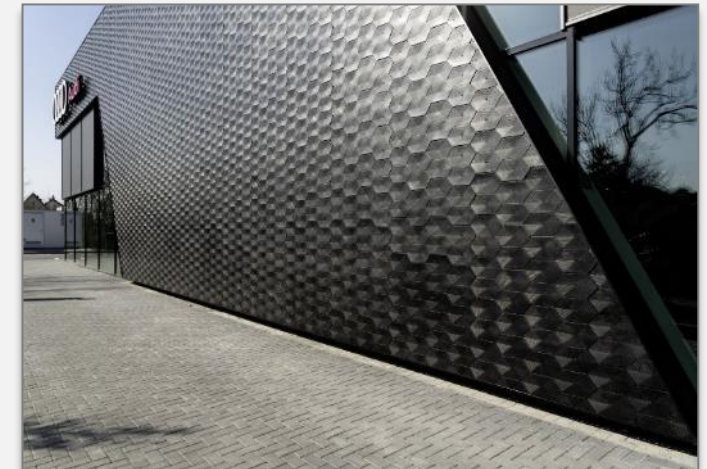
Urban Applications



Agriculture



Construction materials



Results of 26 Biochar meta-analyses ([link](#))




Compelling scientific evidence of benefits from biochar application on agronomic parameters

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Biochar in agriculture meta-analyses

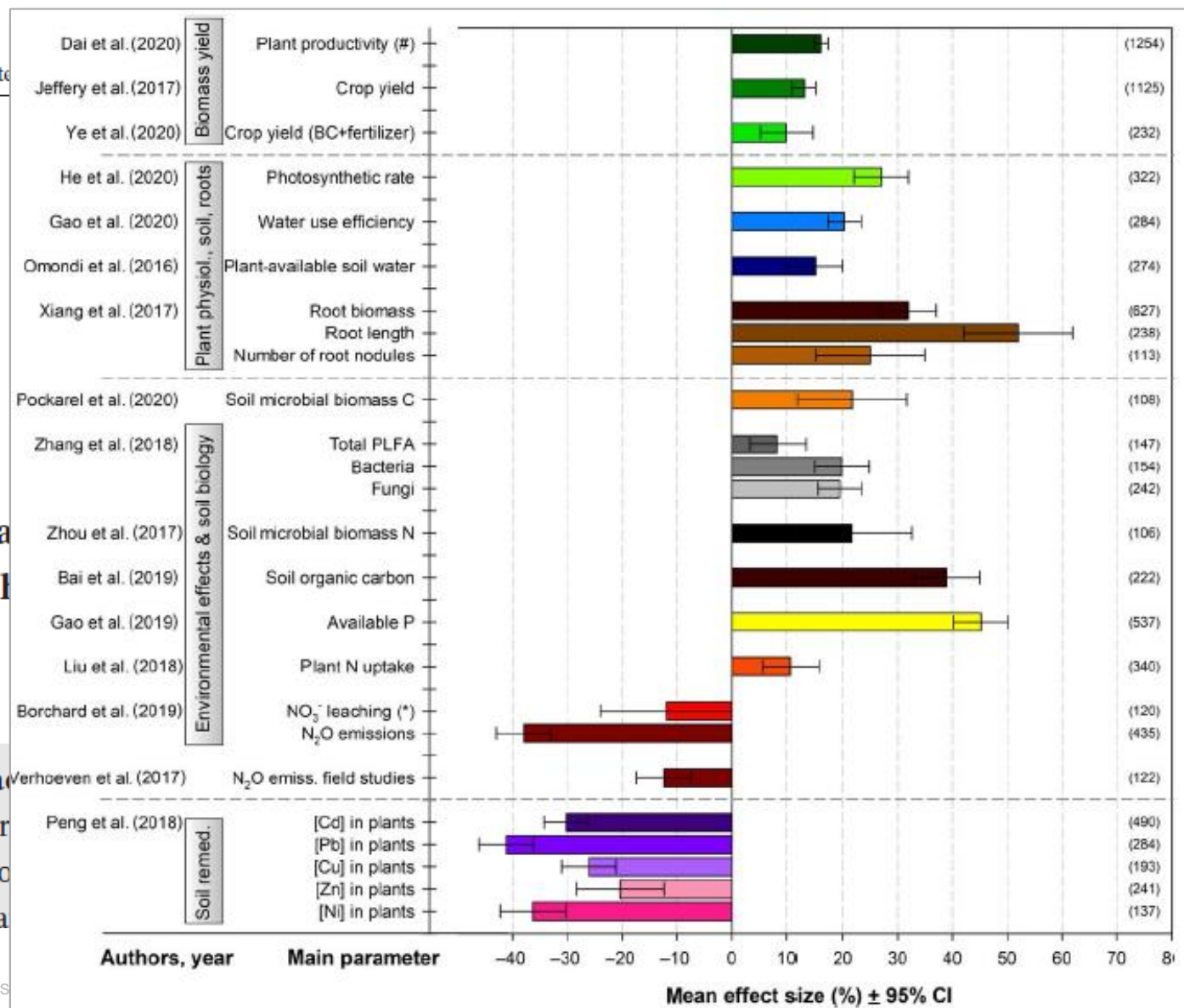
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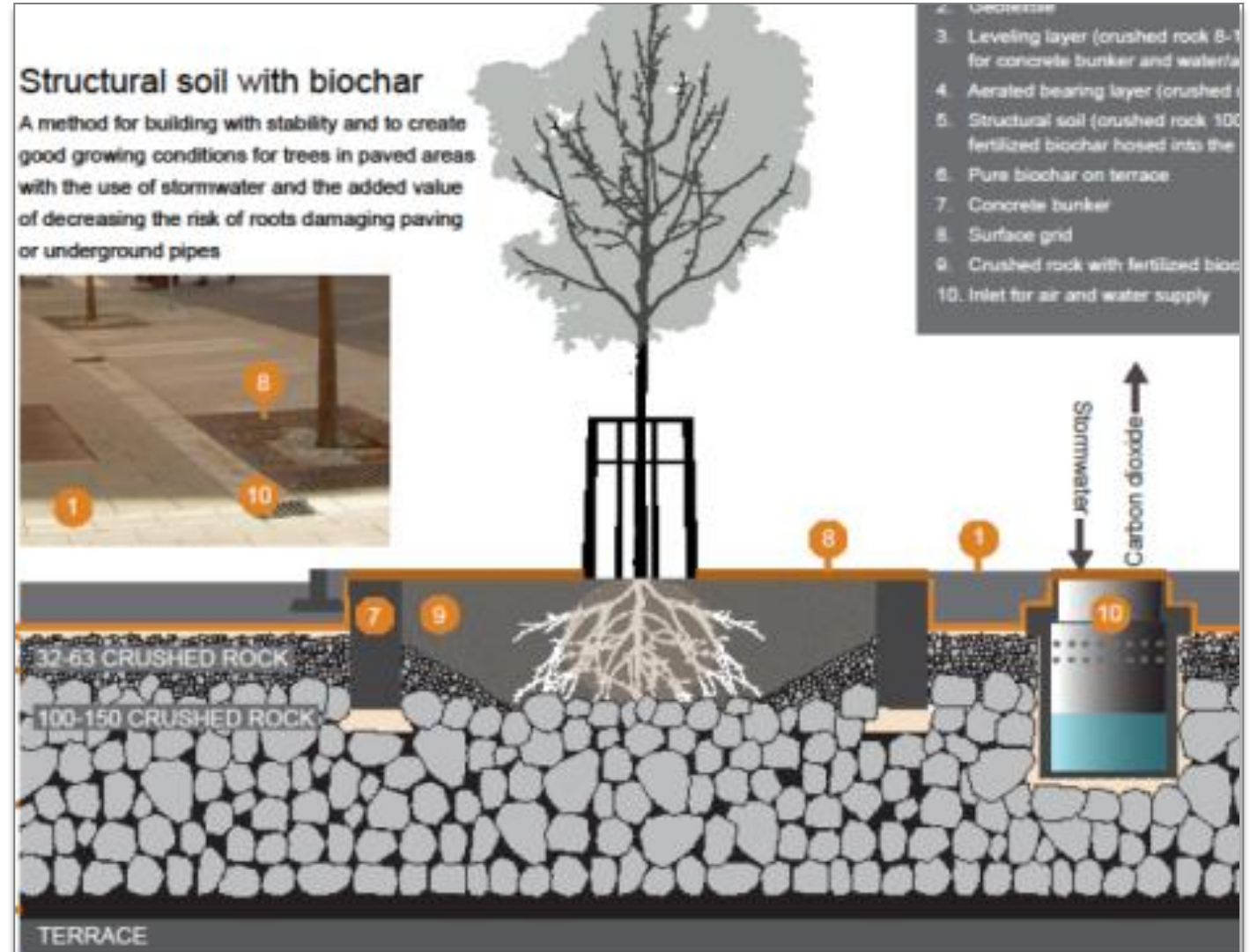
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Application of Biochar in urban environments

City trees grow excellent in structural soils with Biochar



Pilot applications of Biochar in construction and materials

Biochar in façade elements acting as engineered carbon sink



500 m² of **made of air**
Biochar composite facade,
>85% atmospheric carbon
content

Pilot applications of Biochar in construction and materials

Biochar for production of CO₂-negative concrete construction elements



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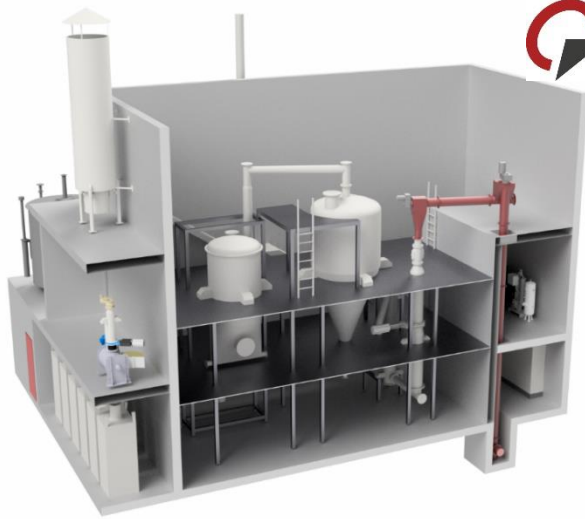
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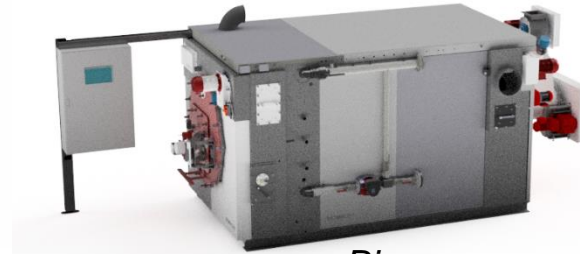
Biochar manufacturing equipment & project examples

Biochar manufacturing equipment

Examples for industrial equipment producing Biochar in EBC quality



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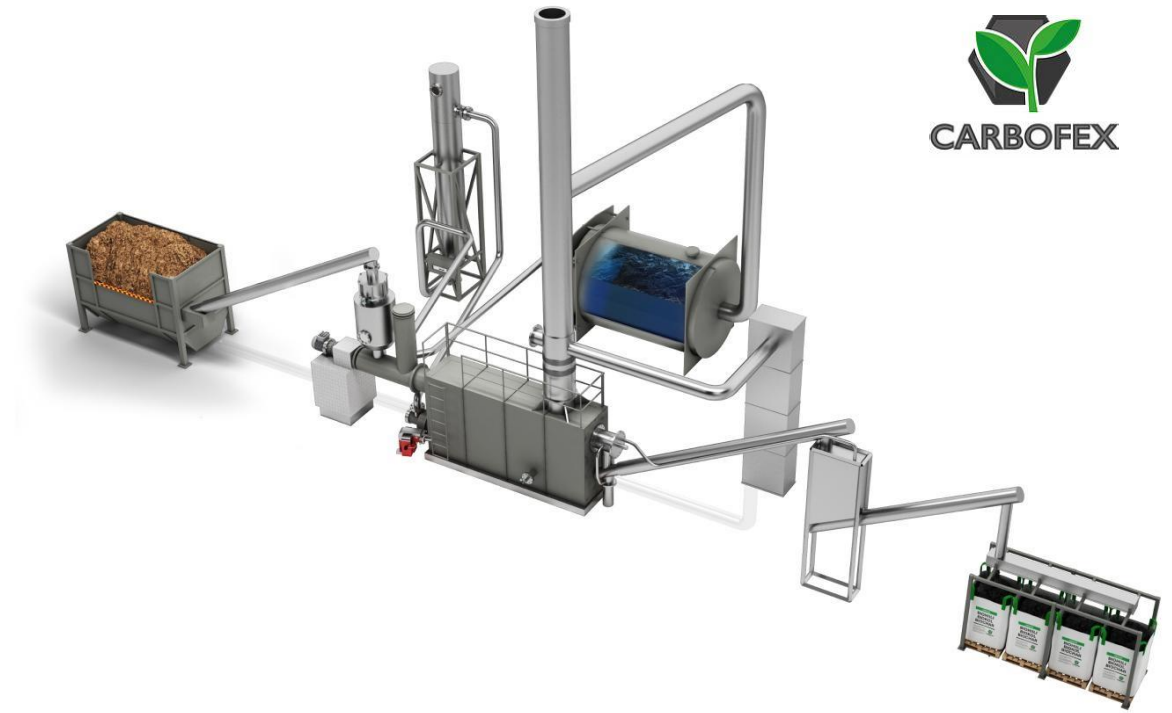
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Biochar manufacturing equipment

Further examples for industrial equipment producing Biochar in EBC quality



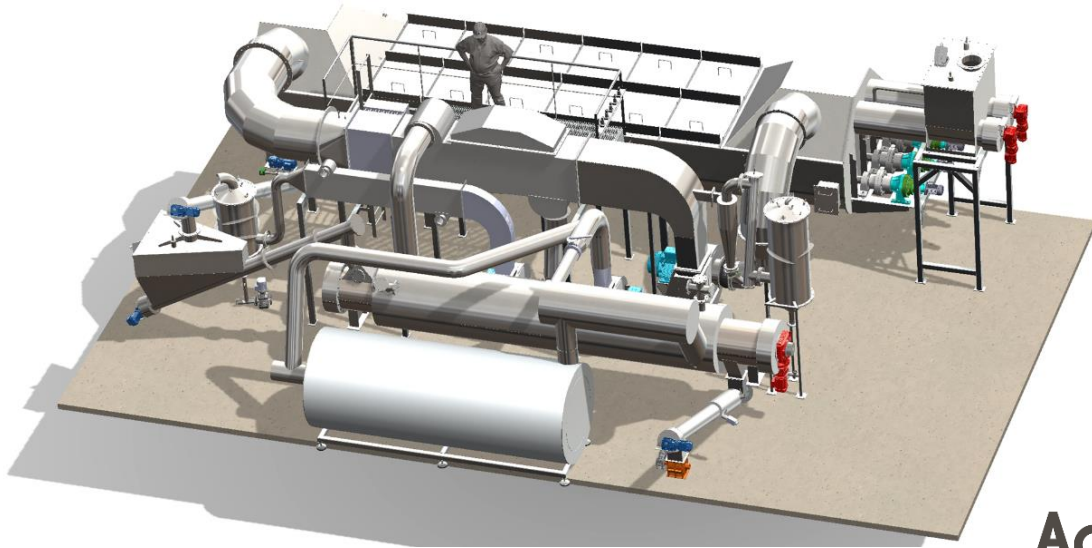
Biochar manufacturing equipment

Further examples for industrial equipment



Biochar manufacturing equipment

Examples for industrial equipment with a focus on sewage sludge



AquaGreen



Broad range of biomass suitable for carbonization



IWB Basel

Reference Project (“Large”)



- Customer: **IWB Basel (Switzerland)**
- Equipment: **PYREG PX1500**
- Commissioning: **early 2021**
- Feedstock: **Municipal green waste**
- Energy utilization: **Feeding up to 750 kW_{th} into the local district heating network**
- Biochar production: **700 t/a of Biochar corresponding to 1.500 t CO₂**

EAD Darmstadt

Reference Project (“Large”)



- Customer: **EAD Darmstadt (Germany)**
- Equipment: **CTS 20**, two carbonization units
- Commissioning: **in process**
- Feedstock: **Municipal green waste**
- Energy utilization: **Feeding** up to **400.000 kWh_{el}** into the electrical grid
- Biochar production: up to **800 t/a**

Circular Carbon

Reference Project (“Very large”)



CIRCULAR **CARBON**



- Customer: **Circular Carbon GmbH** (GER)
(general contractor)
- Equipment: **ETIA/VOW** (carbonisation unit)
- Commissioning: end **2021**
- Feedstock: **Cocoa shells**
- Energy utilization: up to **2.500 kW_{th}** steam
for an industrial company
- Biochar production: up to **3.000 t/a**

Bioenergie Frauenfeld

Reference Project (“Very large”)



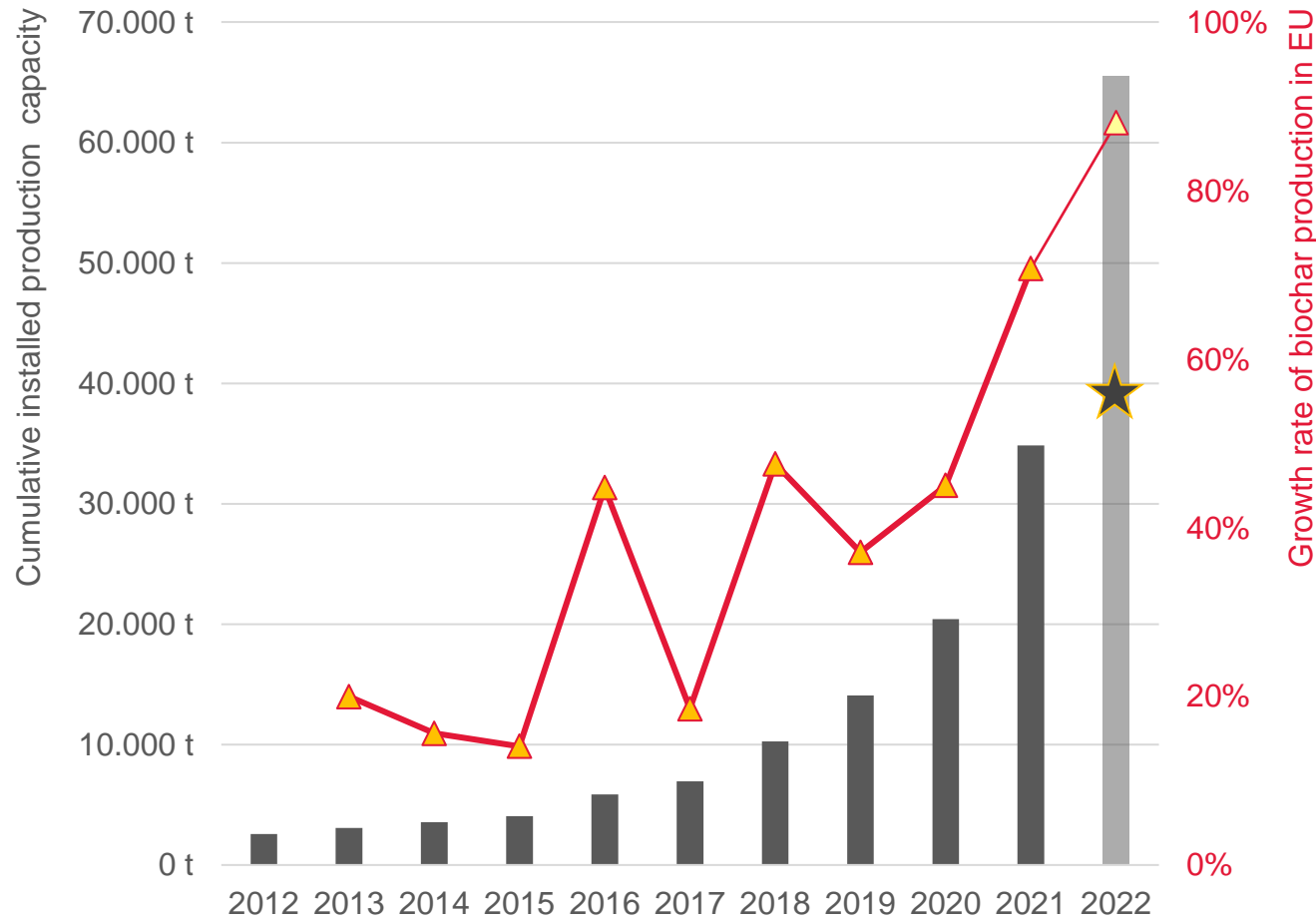
- Customer: **Bioenergie Frauenfeld (CH)**
- Equipment: **4 x SynCraft CW1800x2-1000**
- Commissioning: **in process**
- Feedstock: **Forest residues, wood chips**
- Energy utilization:
 - up to **45 GWh/a renewable heat** for the **local district heating network** and a **sugar factory**
 - **30 GWh/a electricity** (8.000 households)
- Biochar production: **4.000 t/a Biochar**
up to **12.000 t CO_{2e}**

A scanning electron micrograph (SEM) showing the intricate, porous structure of biochar. The surface is highly textured with various ridges, valleys, and small openings, giving it a complex, three-dimensional appearance. The lighting highlights the sharp edges and deep shadows within the pores.

European Biochar Market 2021/2022

Biochar market growth and growth rates

Cumulative Biochar production capacity and actual Biochar production in Europe



- By the **end of 2021**, the **production capacity** for Biochar was **35,000 t**
- The market is **growing rapidly**
 - **Production capacity** doubled every 1-2 years, by the **end of 2022** production capacity will be around **65,000 t**
 - **Production** of Biochar in 2022 will be **40,000 t**, which corresponds to about **100,000 t CO₂e**
 - Thus, Biochar/PyCCS is by far the most important industrial NET today

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The European Biochar Certificate (EBC)

Standards and regulations are key for large-scale roll-out



<https://www.european-biochar.org>

- EBC Classes
 - EBC-Agro, EBC-AgroOrganic
 - EBC-Feed
 - EBC-ConsumerMaterials, EBC-BasicMaterials
 - EBC-Urban
 - **EBC-Sink (since 2020)**
- Production
 - Permitted feedstock
 - Energy efficient production
 - Calculation of carbon sink potential
- Characteristics
 - C-content
 - H/C, O/C
 - pH
 - heavy metals
 - PAH

Carbon removal Value Chain

Carbon credits for C-Sinks: Key driver for further market growth



Producer



Sink Creator



Certifier



Broker



Balancer

TRACKING

SINK MODELING

CREDIT ISSUING

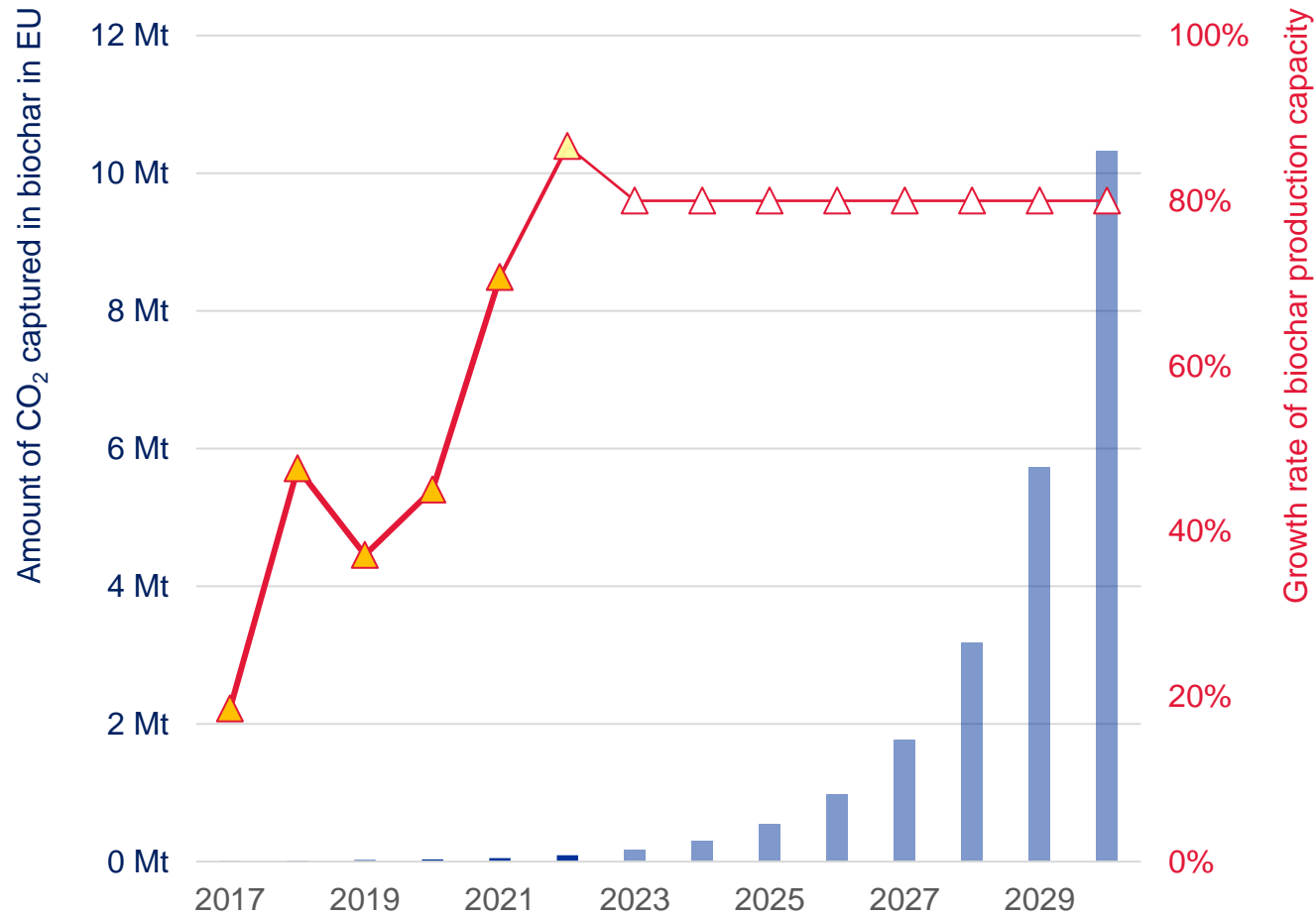
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CREDIT MANAGEMENT

Carbonfuture Platform

10 megaton of carbon removal by 2030

Extrapolation of the current growth rates

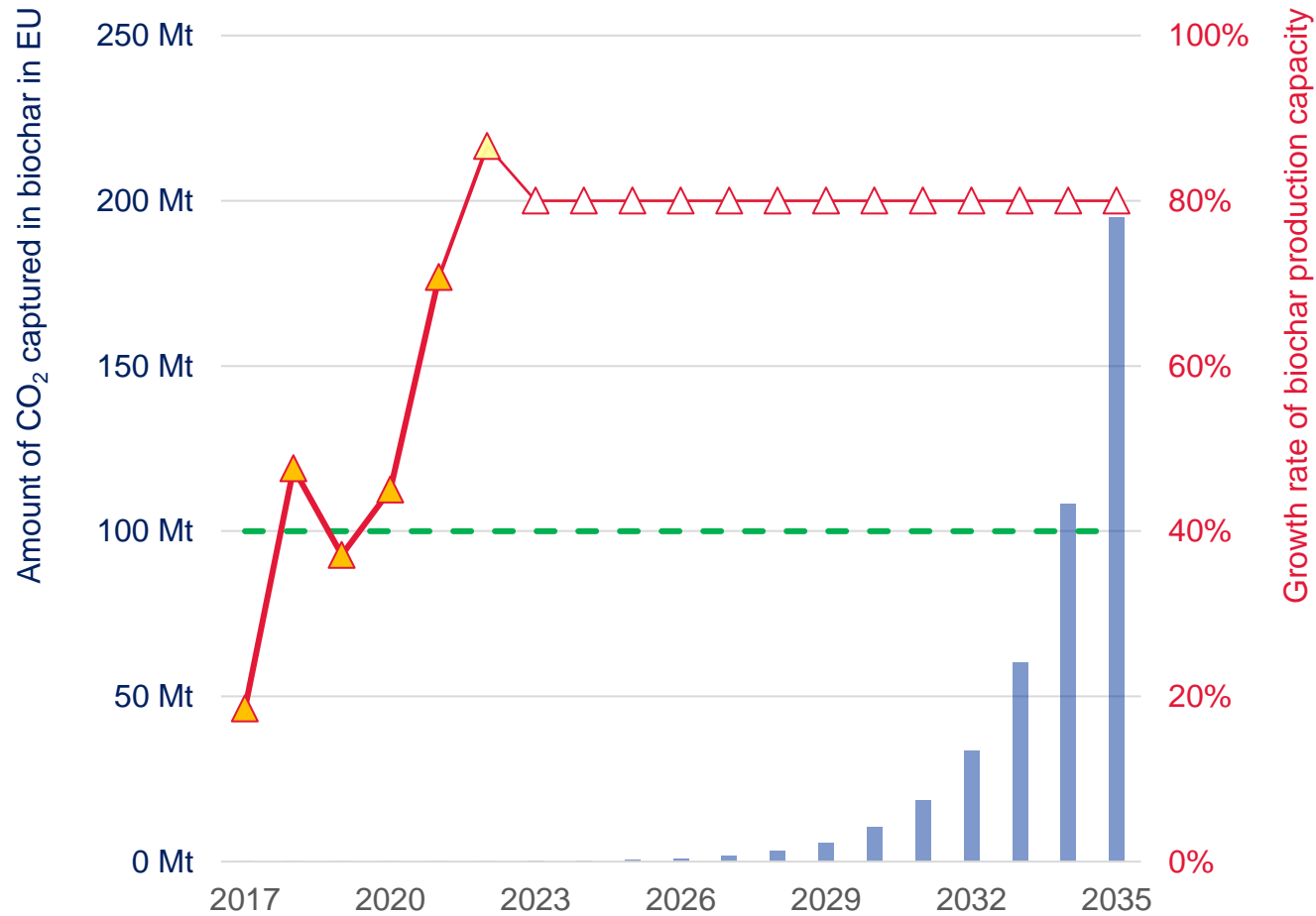


- There is **no reasons why growth rates of 80% could not be maintained** until 2030
- With that, PyCCS will sequester just over **10 megatons by 2030** in Europe (*2x of the Commission's current target for all industrial sinks*)

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100 megaton of carbon removal by 2034

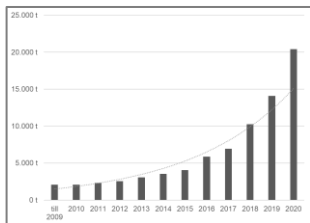
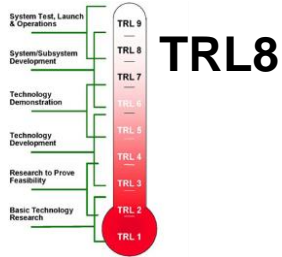
Extrapolation of the current growth rates



- ... and there is even **no reasons why growth rates of 80% could not be maintained even beyond 2030**
- With that PyCCS will sequester just over **100 megatons by 2034** in Europe
- Under this growth scenario, we will exceed the **EBI target of 255 Mt in 2036**; from then on, growth will have to slow down, as the limited availability of biomass will not allow for further exponential growth

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Summary



- Biochar production **technology is mature** with at least ten serious EU technology providers, from which at least five are at **TRL8+** levels
- With EBC there is an established certification system for Biochar in place and **EBC-Sink** is a mature and trusted methodology for **CO₂ accounting and certification**
- The **market is growing fast** and **production** in **2022** will be almost **40.000 t** (equivalent to **100.000 t CO₂**)
- Among the industrial **NET** solutions, **Biochar/PyCCS** is easiest to **scale** to significant volumes in the **near term**

Biochar/PyCCS
will likely
continue to dominate NETs
in terms of volume
for at least a decade

*Hansjörg Lerchenmüller
in a discussion with DG-CLIMA, February 2022*



A scanning electron micrograph (SEM) showing a highly porous, interconnected network of biochar particles. The structure consists of thin, wavy, and folded layers that form a complex, three-dimensional lattice with numerous voids and channels. The surface of the layers appears rough and textured. The overall morphology is characteristic of a highly porous material designed for adsorption or catalysis.

Appendix

White Paper on Biochar

EBI Whitepaper
Biochar-based carbon sinks to mitigate
climate change



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Twelve good reasons for using biochar

The arguments can be scientifically well substantiated by current literature

#	Twelve good reasons for using biochar	Sources/Documents
1	Biomass pyrolysis is a key technology for saving the climate	(Werner et al, 2018; Woolf et al, 2010; Woolf et al, 2016)
2	The use of certified biochar has been proven to meet the highest environmental standards and, when used properly, is safe for soils, ecosystems and users	(EBC, 2020; Lehmann & Joseph, 2015)
3	Pyrolysis can be used to close organic material cycles. This is a prerequisite for the principle of recycling in the bio-economy.	(Woolf et al, 2016)
4	Biochar improves the water retention capacity of soils and, in combination with fertilizers, leads to yield increase and stabilization	(Ye et al, 2020; Razzaghi et al, 2020)
5	Biochar helps to build up humus	(Blanco-Canqui et al, 2020; Weng et al. 2018)
6	Biochar reduces GHG emissions from agriculture	(Borchard et al, 2019; He et al, 2017; Liu et al, 2018)

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7	Biochar reduces nitrate pollution of ground and surface water	(Borchard et al, 2019)
8	Biochar shows multiple benefits in animal husbandry and improves animal health	(Schmidt et al, 2019)
9	Biochar promotes tree growth and increases the stress resistance of urban trees	(Embrén et al, 2016; FLL, 2017)
10	Biochar can be used as an additive in composting to improve compost quality and reduce nitrogen losses	(Godlewska et al, 2017; Zhao et al, 2020)
11	Biochar can improve the properties of concrete and asphalt	(Gupta & Kua, 2017)
12	Biochar enables the rehabilitation of contaminated soils	(BMLFUW, 2017)