

Industrial Drying:

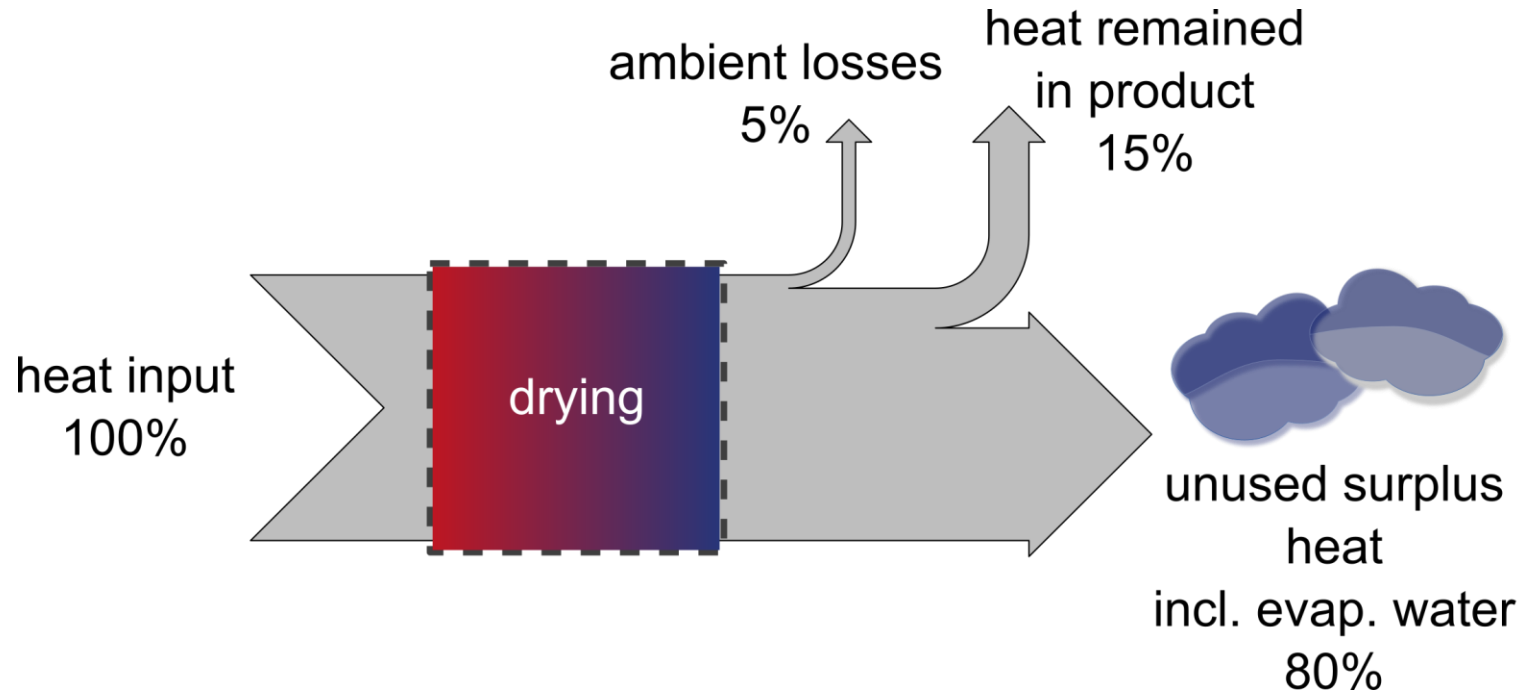
DryFiciency as a research-to-market innovation using high temperature heat pumps

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Challenge

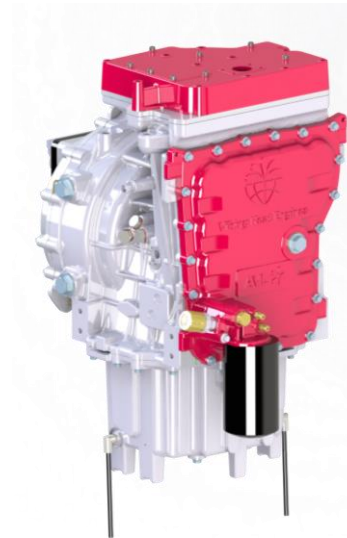
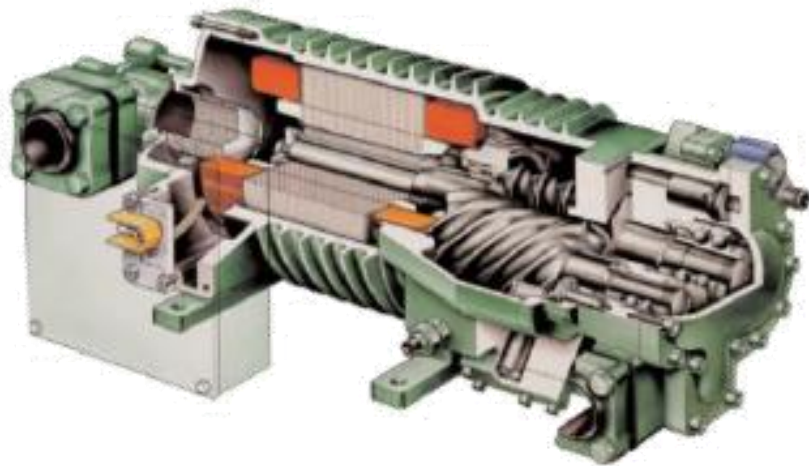


Drying & dehydration processes

- wide-spread in a number of industries
- primarily fossil-fired
- large volumes of low grade waste heat
- large potential to increase energy efficiency

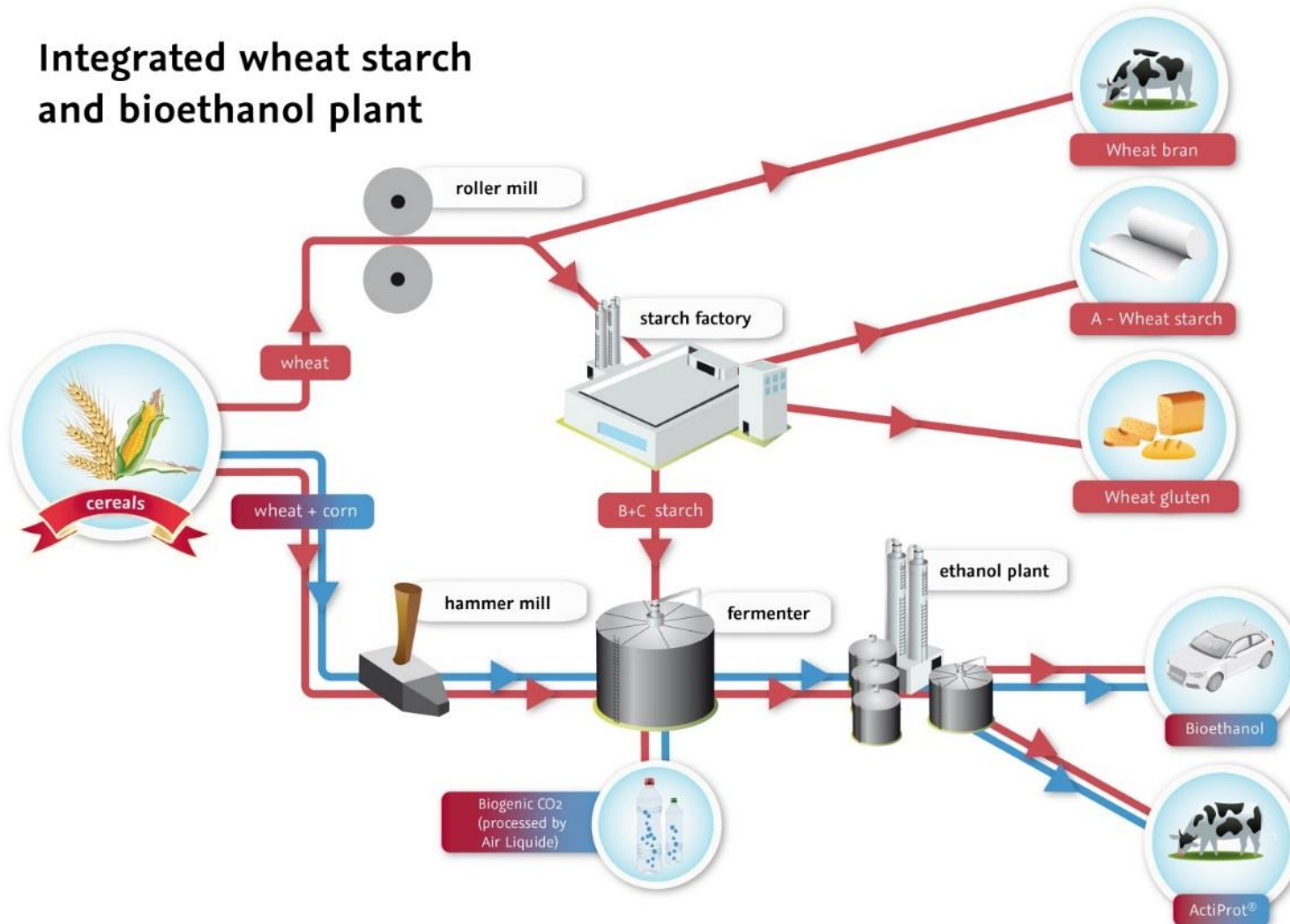
Objectives

- develop and demonstrate heat pumps in three industrial drying processes with heat supply temperatures up to 160 °C
- two **closed loop heat pumps** for air drying processes
- one **open loop heat pump** for steam driven drying processes

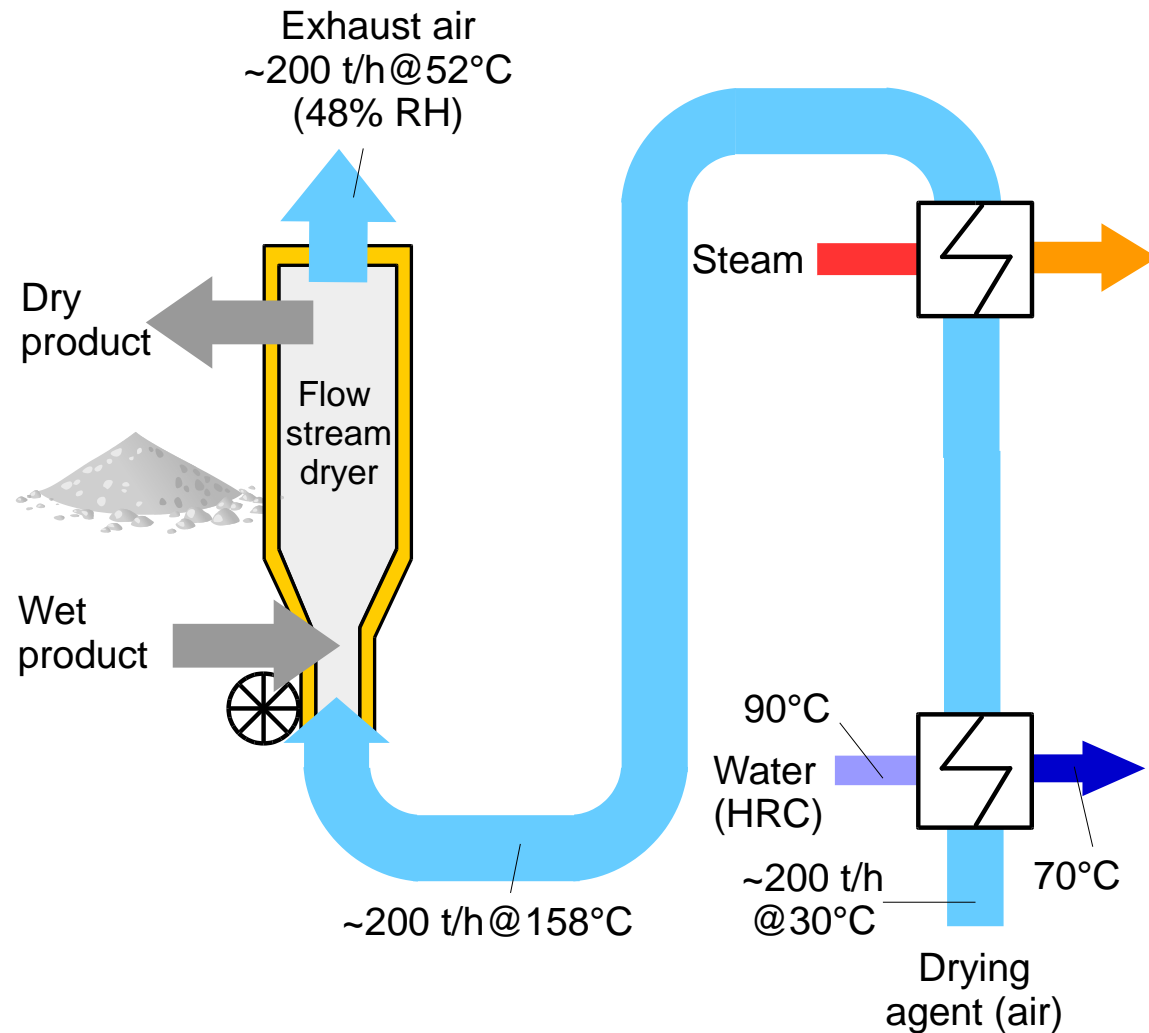


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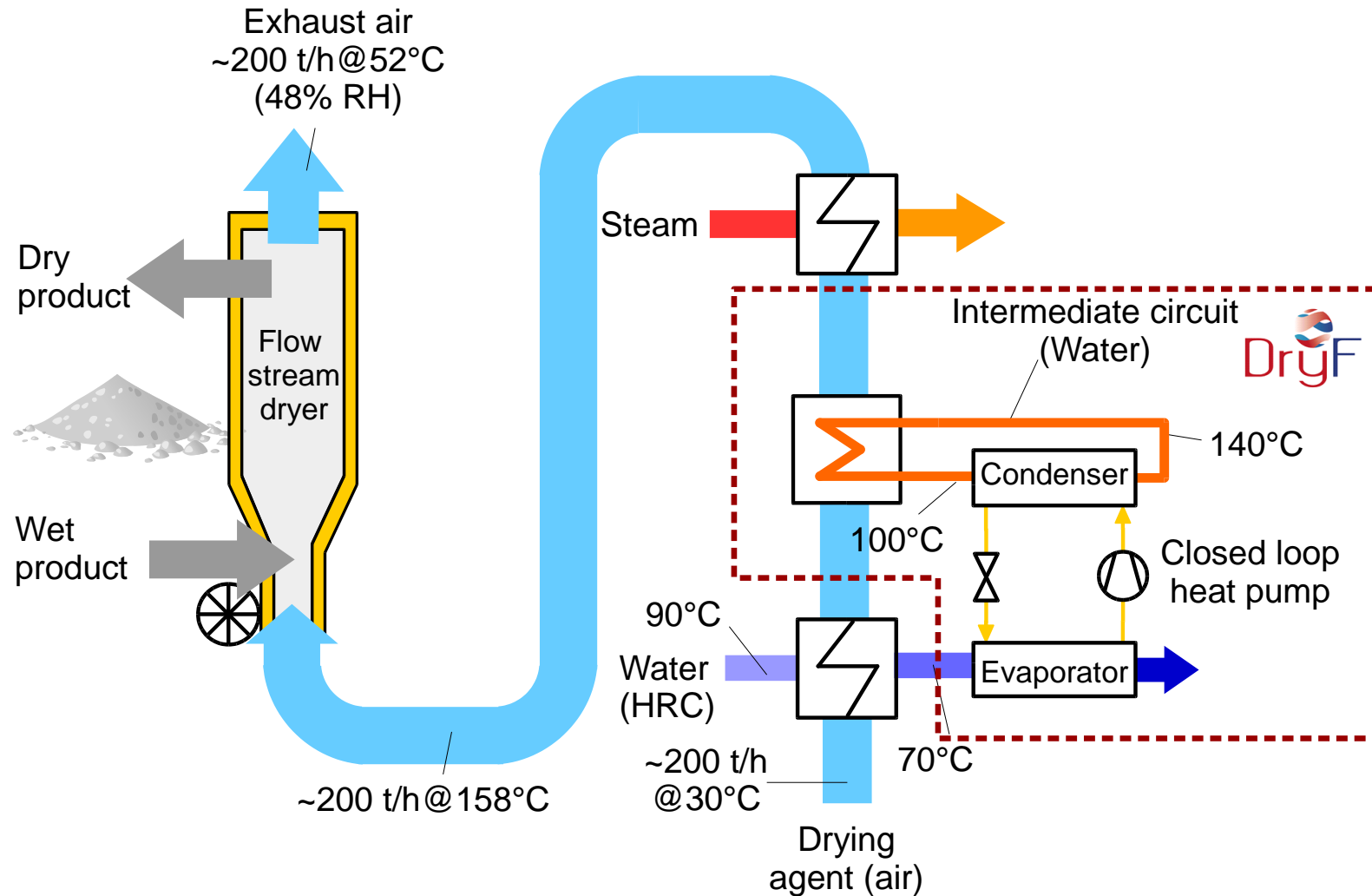
Integrated wheat starch and bioethanol plant



AGRANA: Conventional dryer



AGRANA: Dryer with heat pump



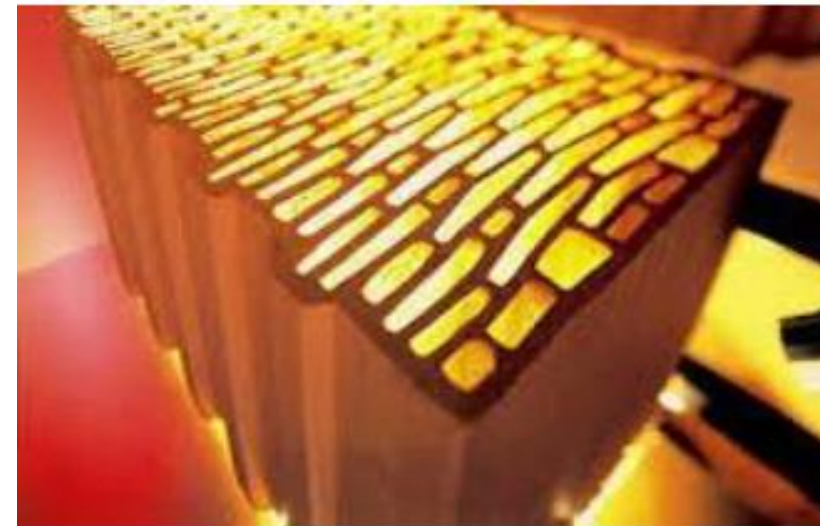
Demo sites for the closed loop heat pumps

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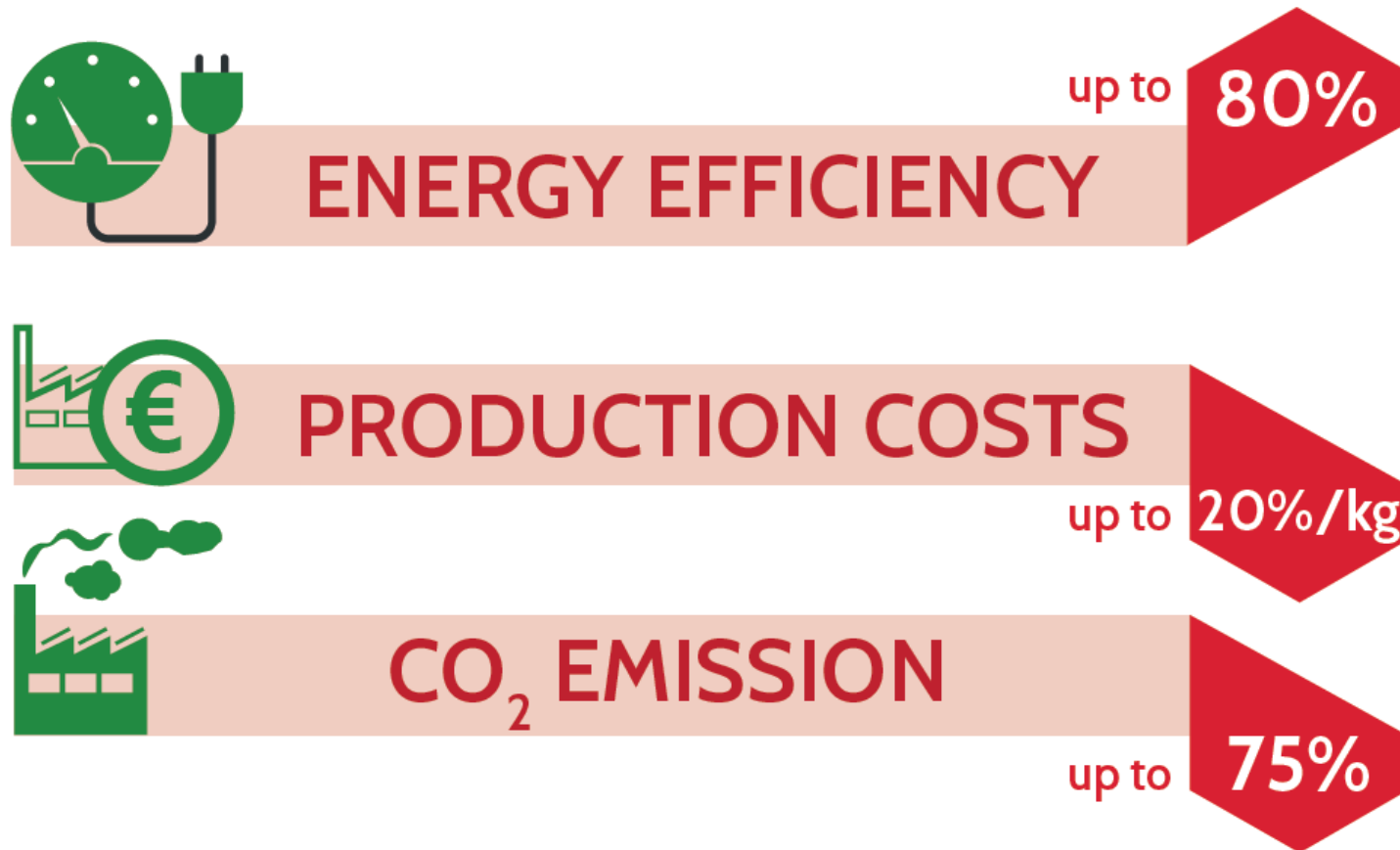


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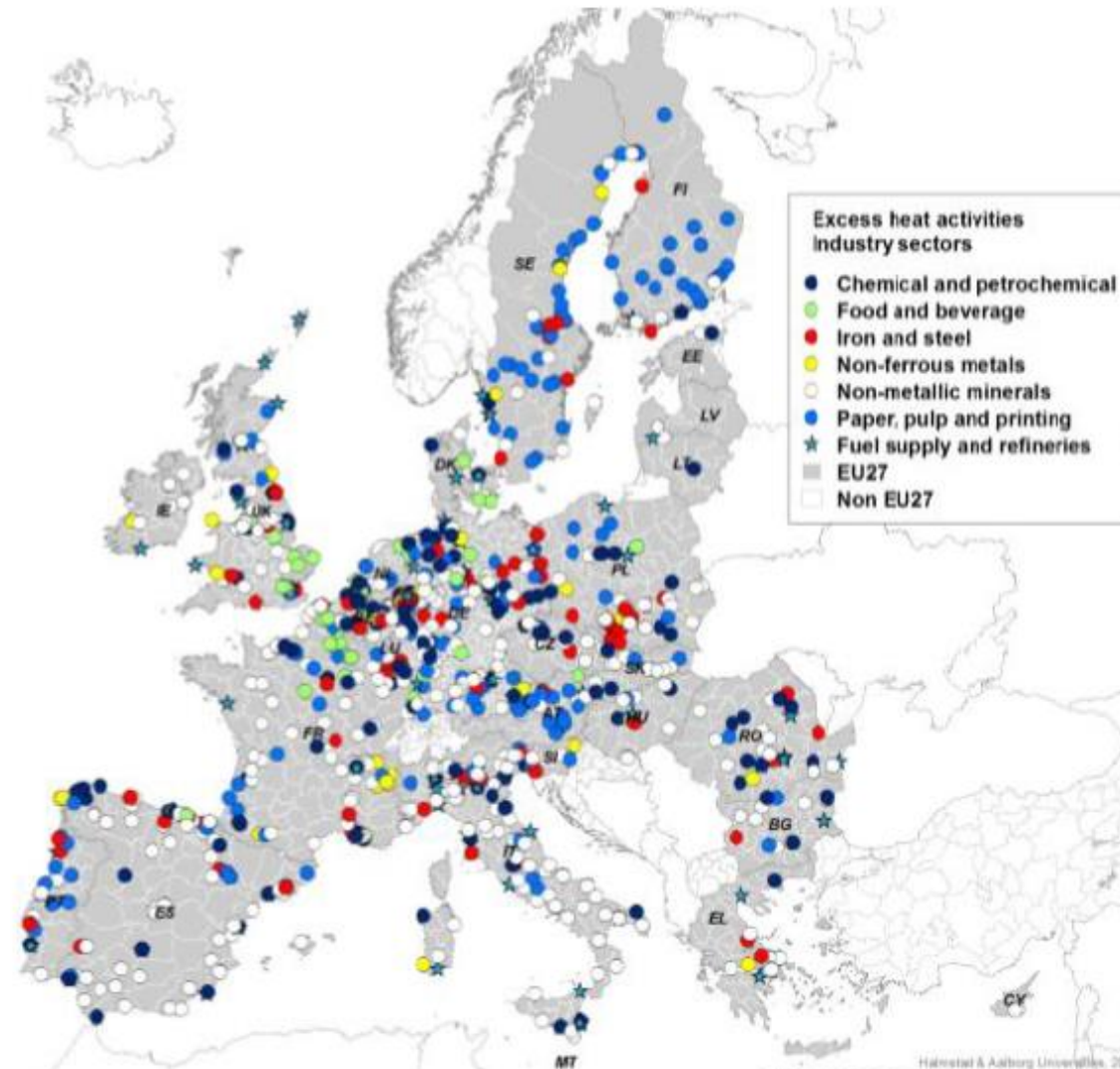
Integration and commissioning starts in May 2019



Key goals



DryFiciency – vast market potential



Connolly et al. (2013). Heat Roadmap Europe 2: Second Pre-Study for the EU27. Department of Development and Planning, Aalborg University



Where to use heat pumps in industry?

Heat sources:

- waste heat from chillers:
ca. 30°C
- waste heat from process cooling
(cooling water): ca. 50°C
- waste water:
20 – 40°C, also contaminated
- off gas:
60 – 80°C, humidity, contaminated

Capacity:

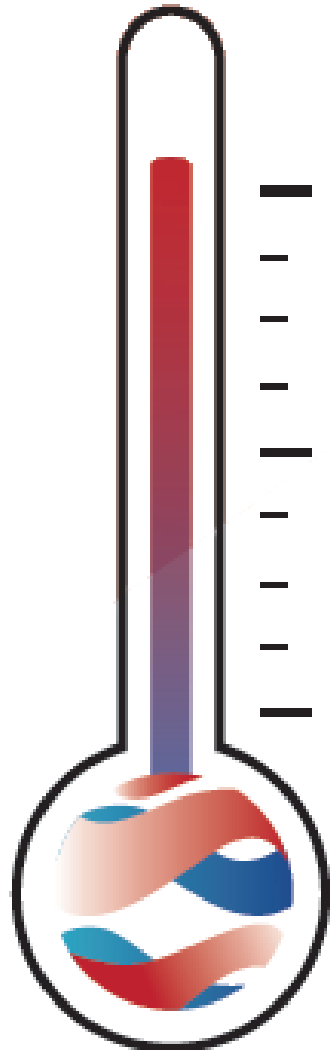
- up to the MW range

Heat demand:

- process water: 50 – 80°C
- steam: 105 – 210°C
- hot air
- air preheating
- feed water preheating
- district heat: 60 – 120°C

Conclusions

- industrial heat pumps turn waste heat into valuable process heat
- increase on-site efficiency and contribute to decarbonization
- solution of technological challenges for high temperature applications essential, such as
 - suitable refrigerants
 - temperature resistant materials and components
- expectations of the industry
 - high availability and reliability
 - short payback periods
- industrial heat pumps allow for economic and environmental benefits
- industrial heat pumps are in an early phase of market diffusion and there is a large application potential



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