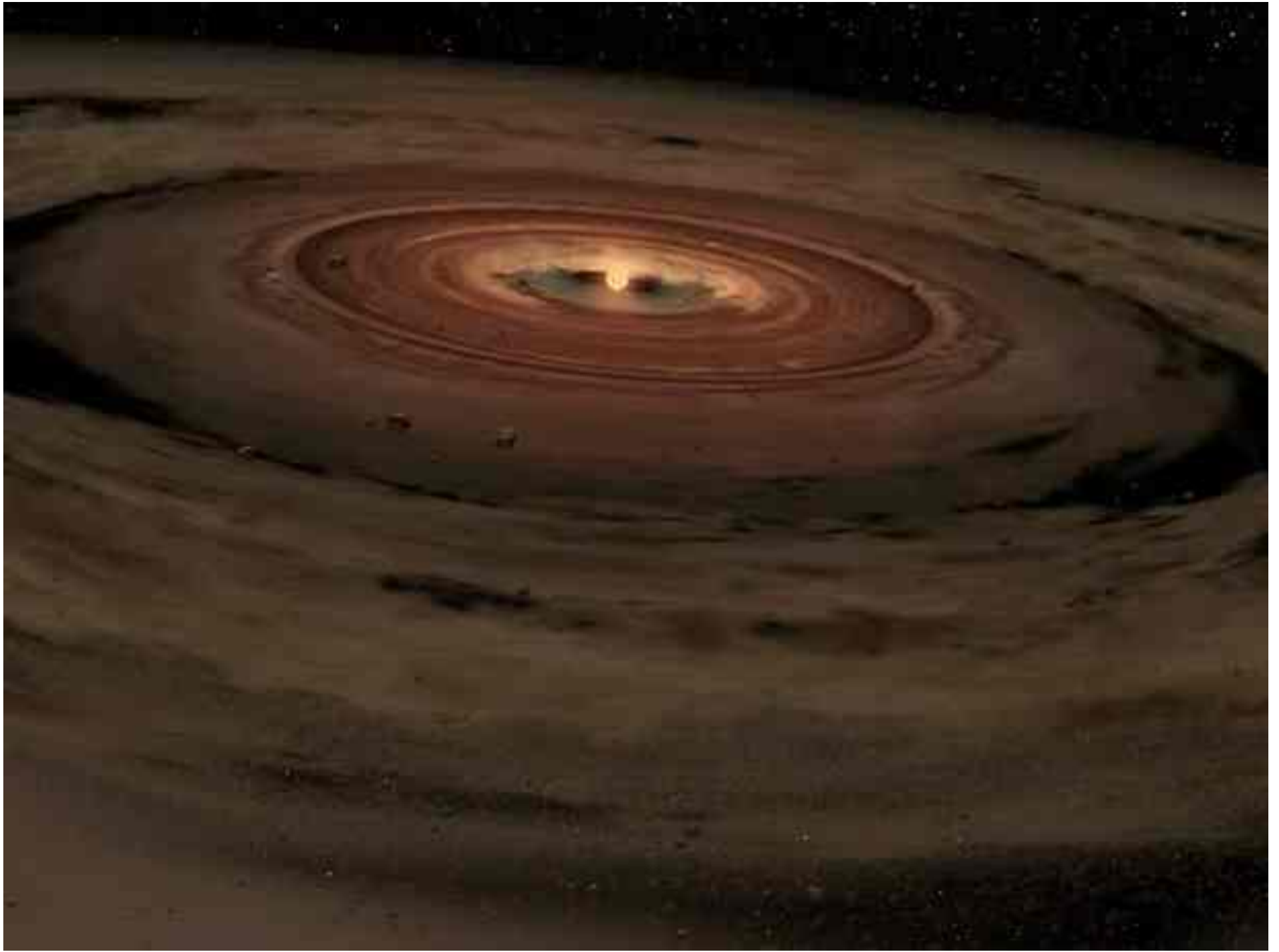
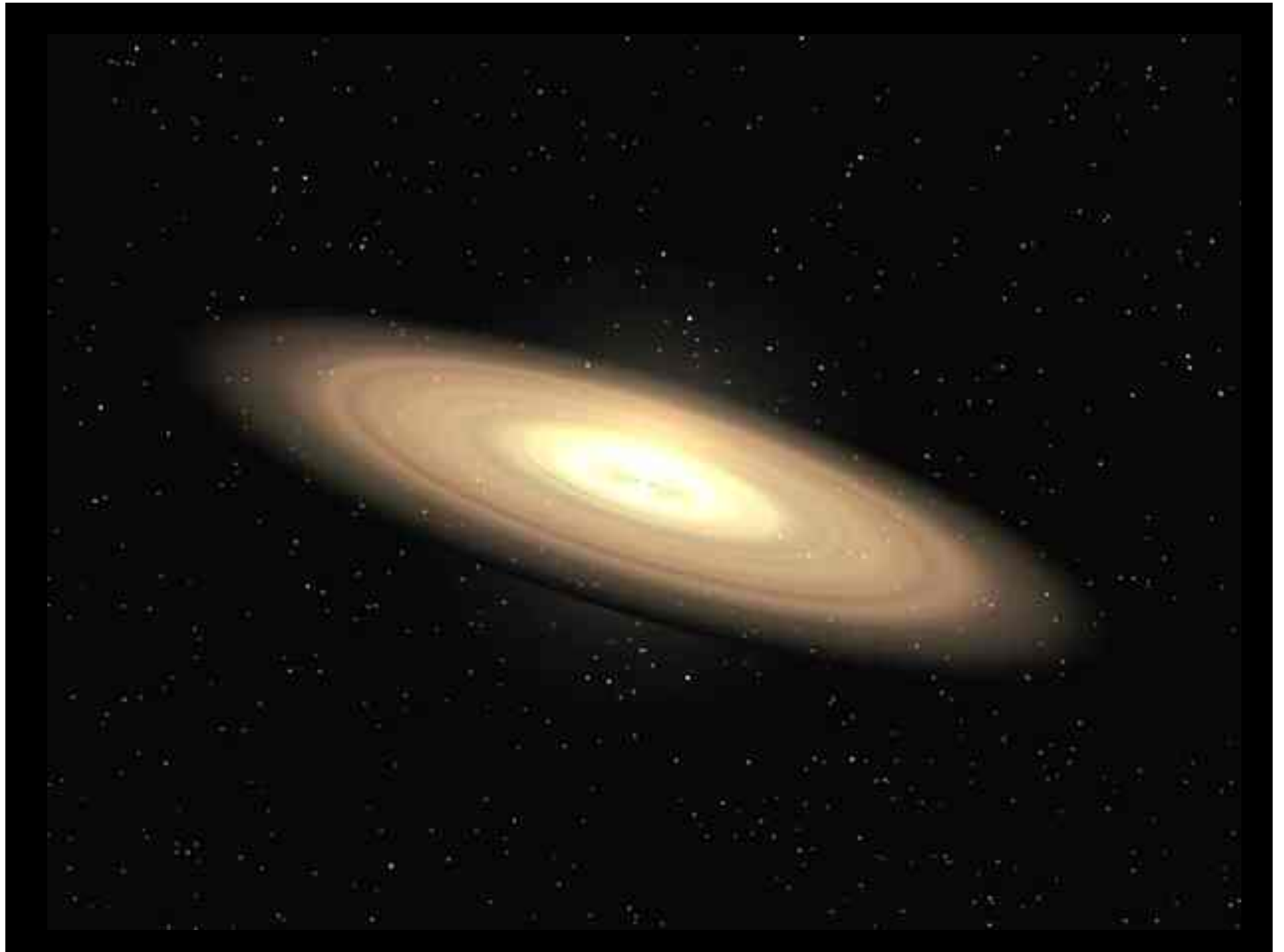




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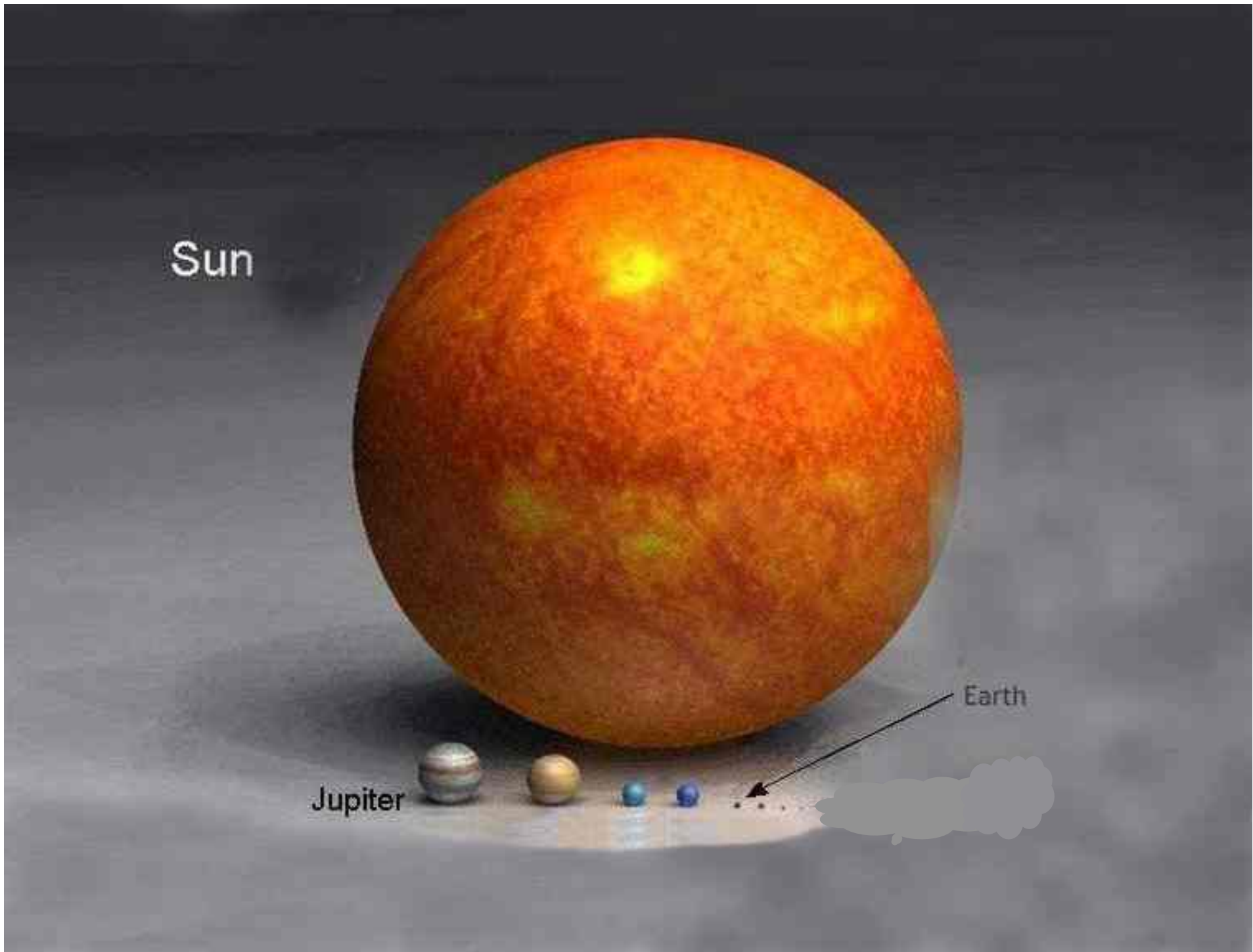




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Earth





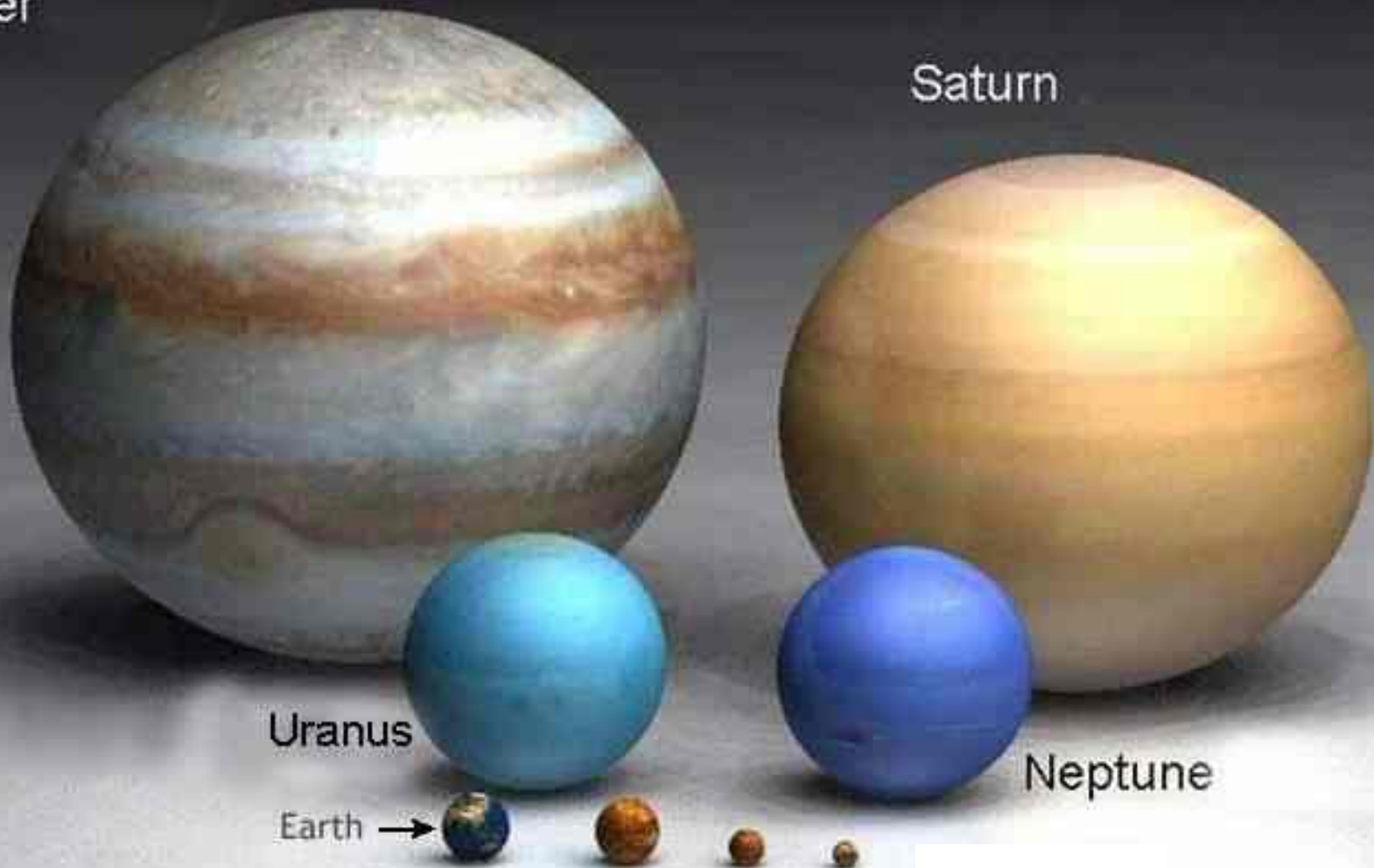
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Earth →



Earth



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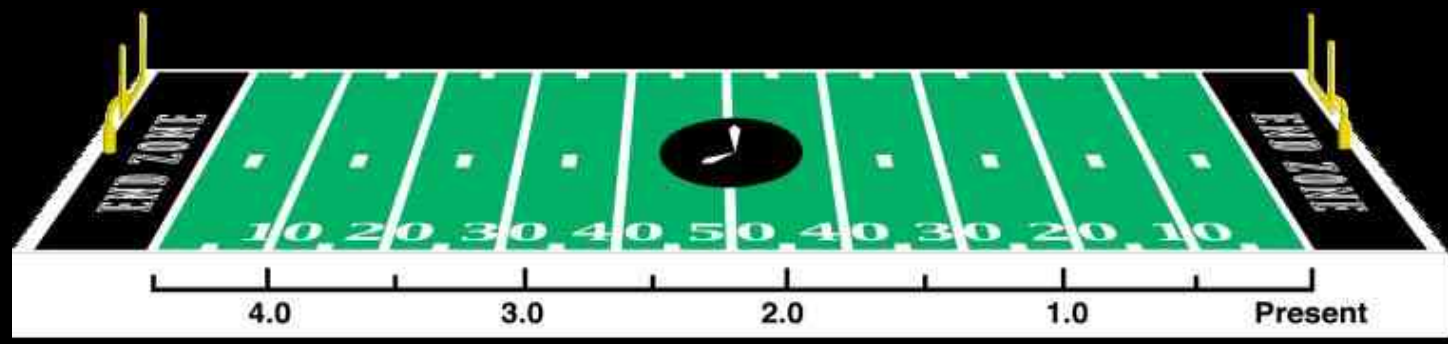


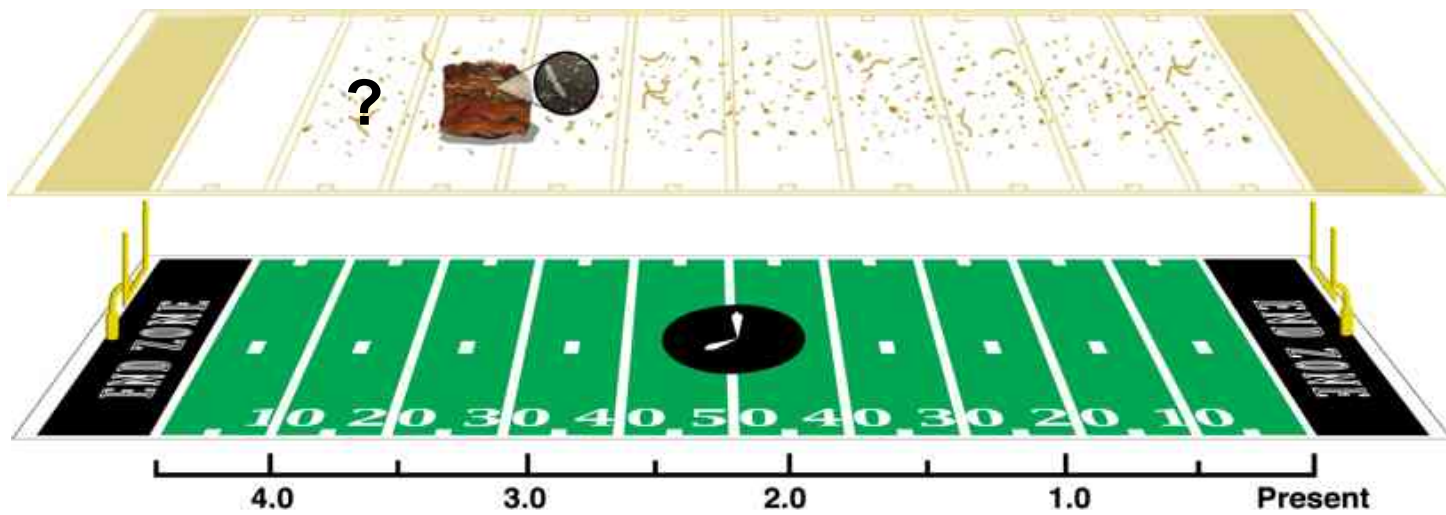
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**The timeline...**





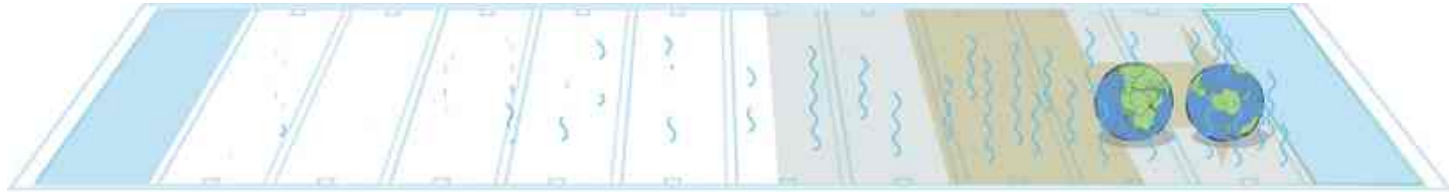






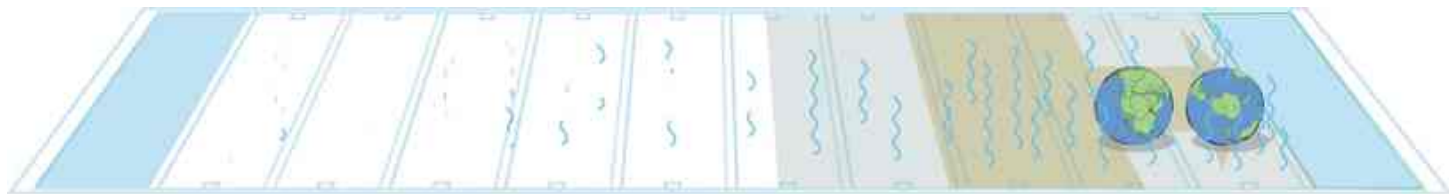
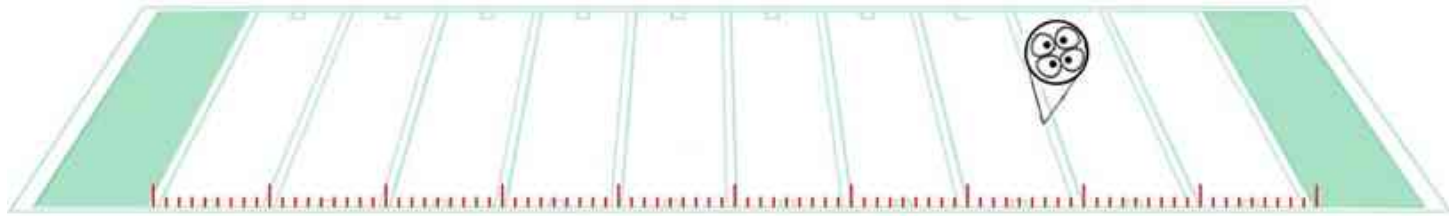




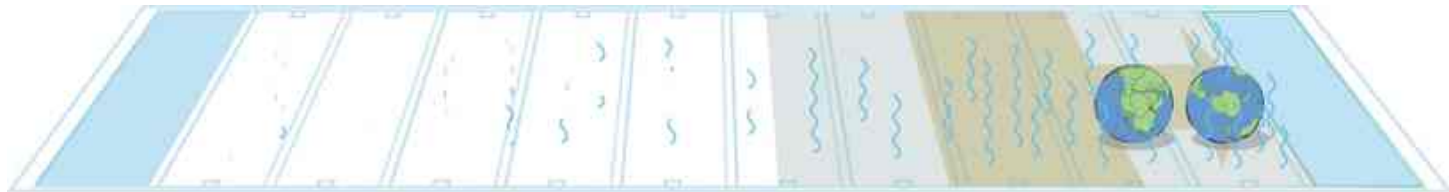
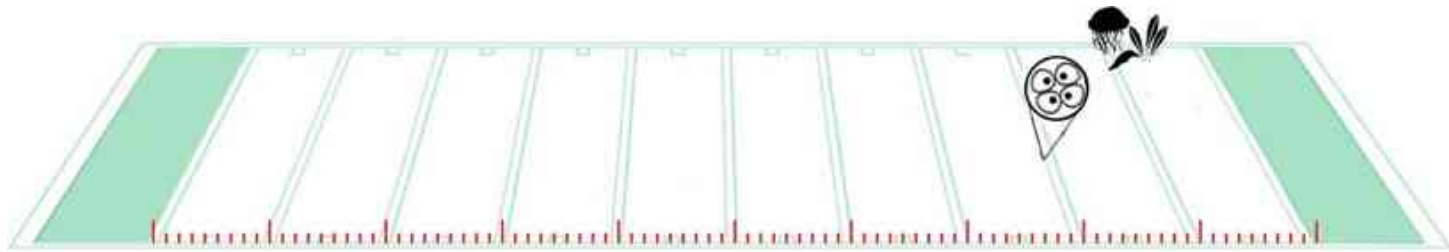


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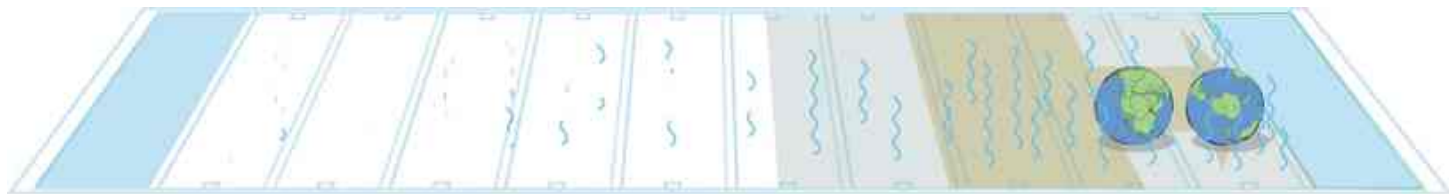
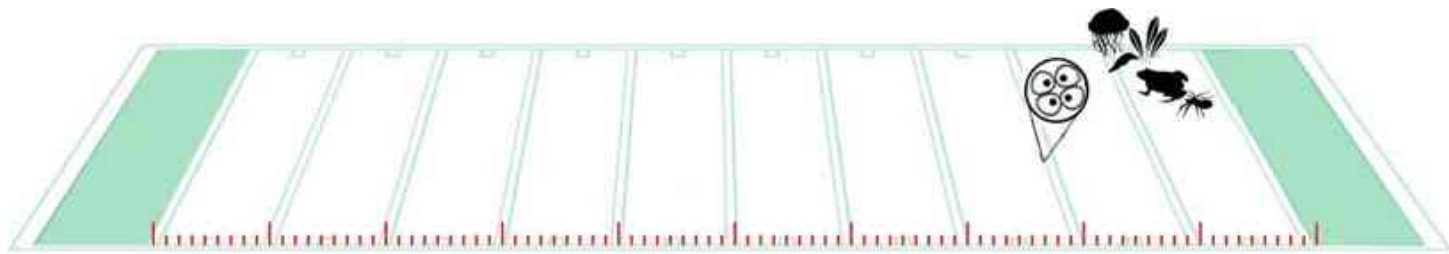




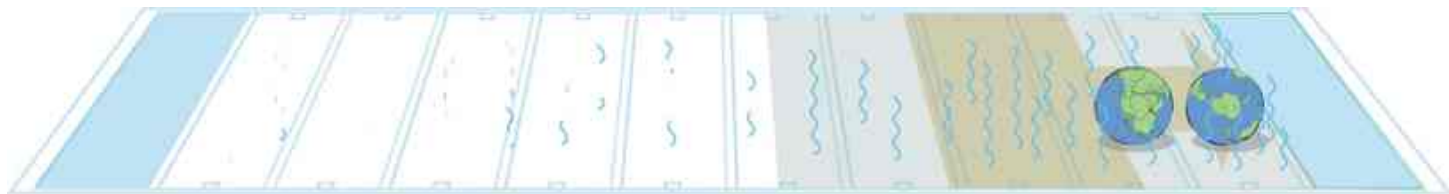
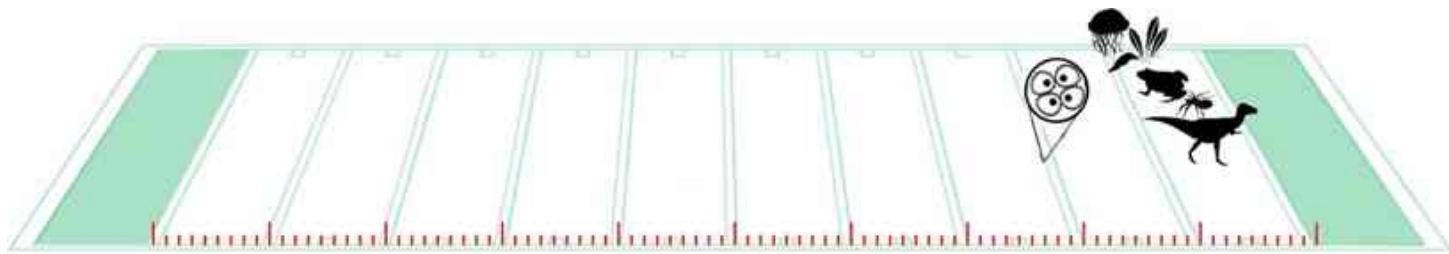
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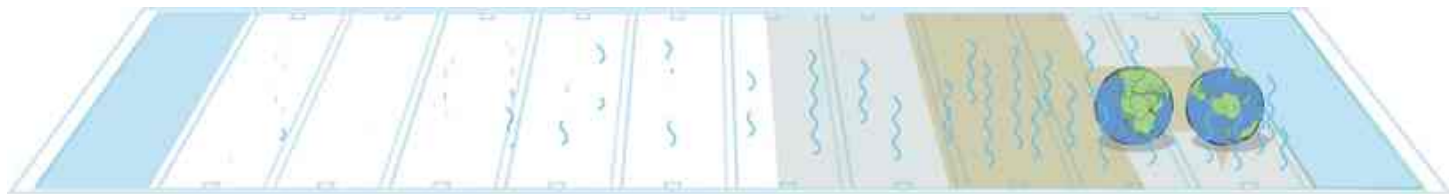
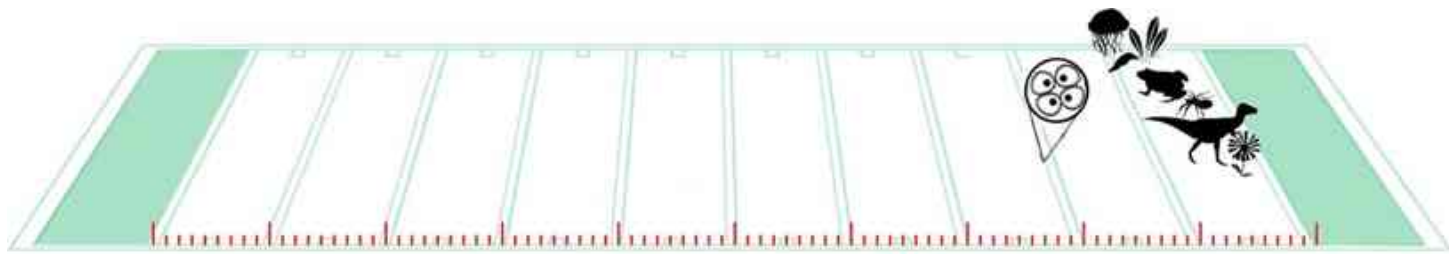
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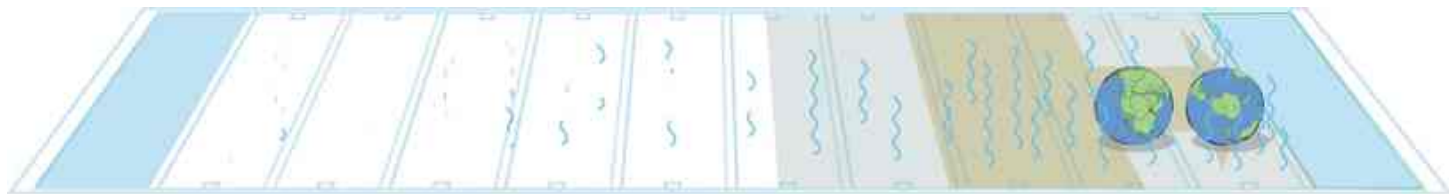
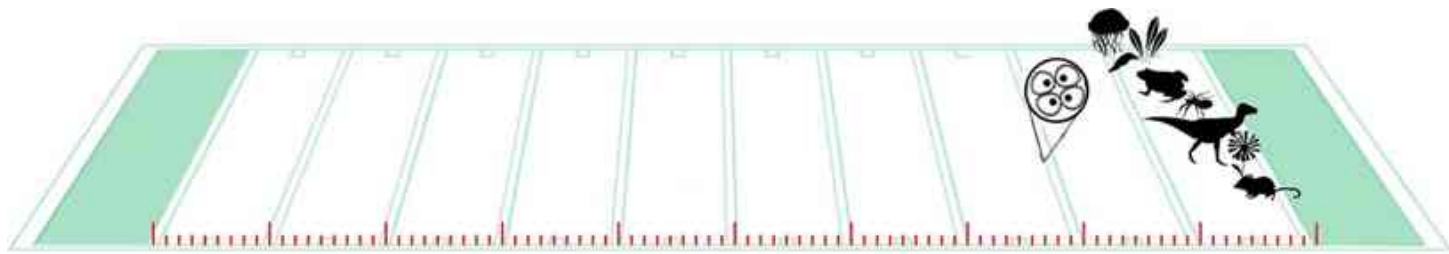
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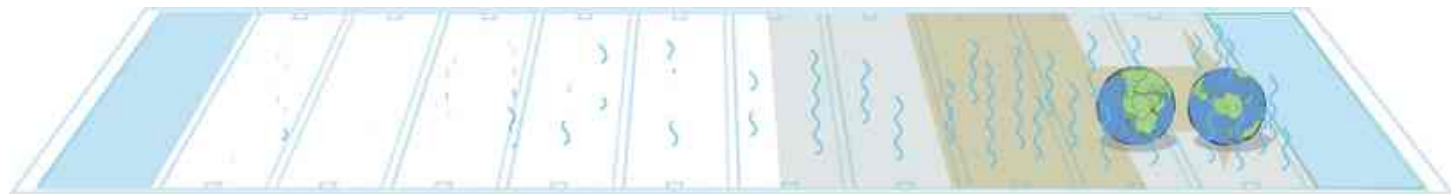
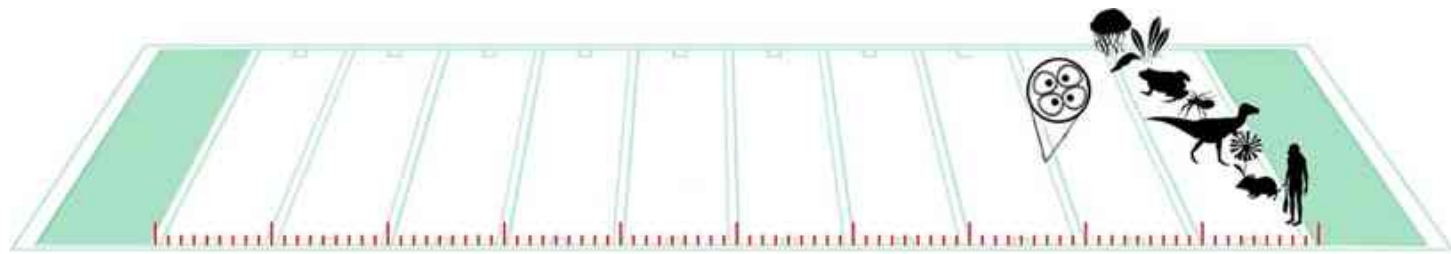
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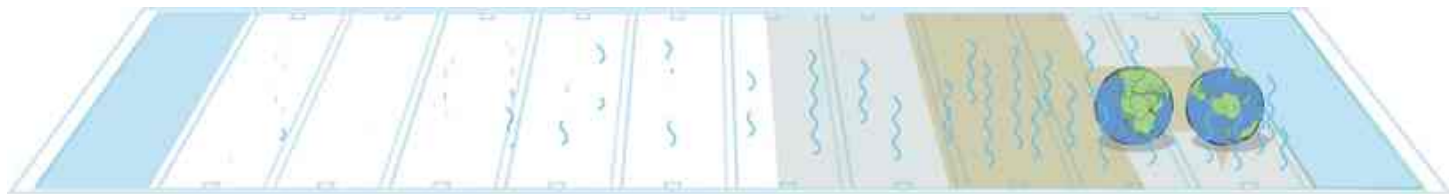
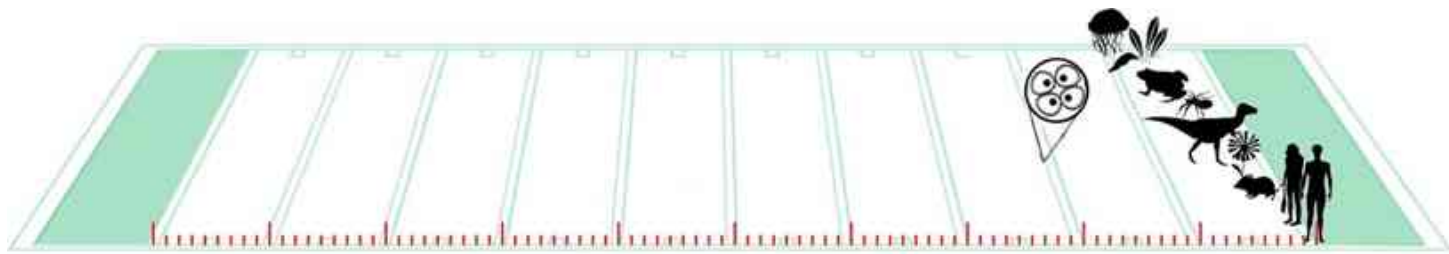
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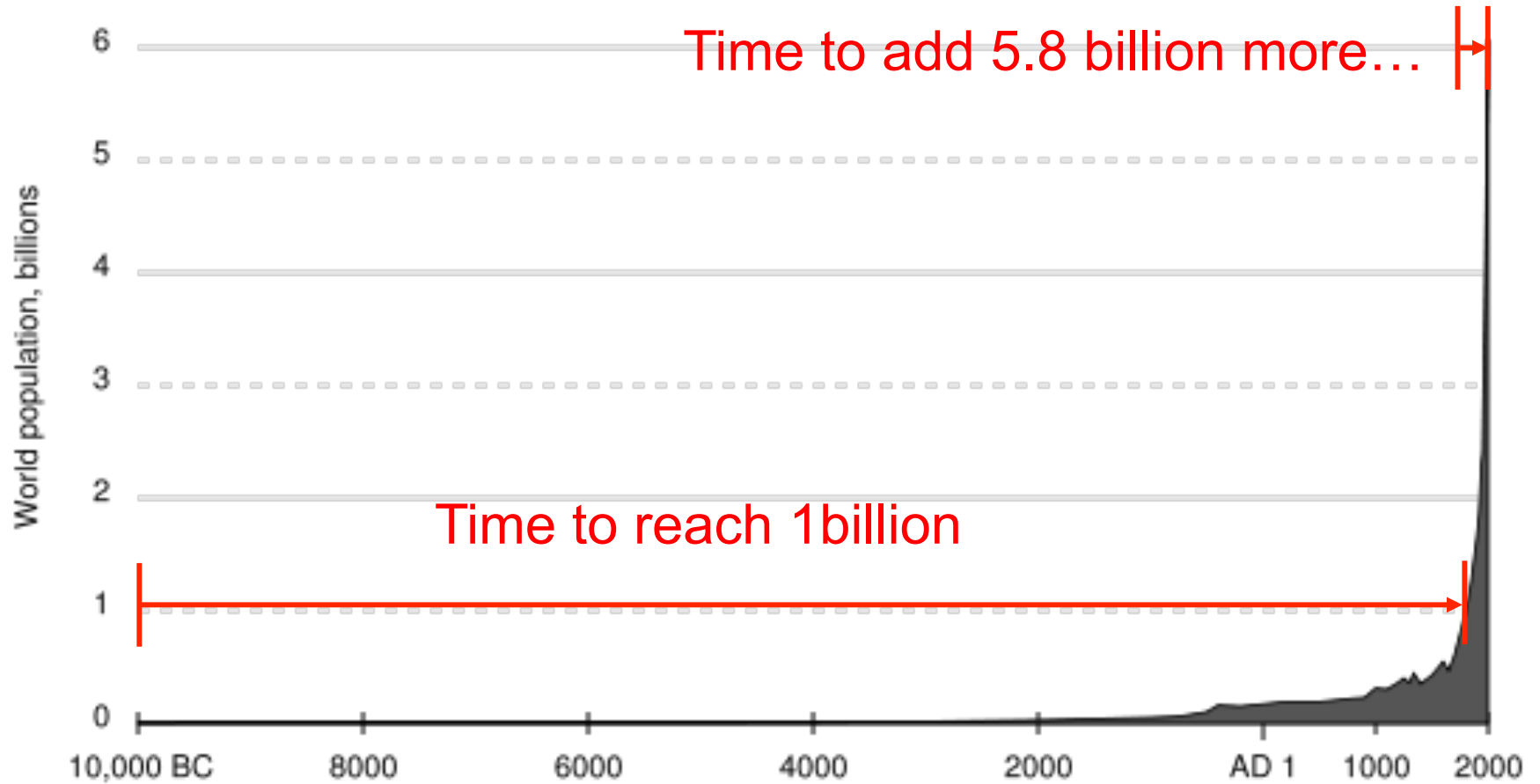
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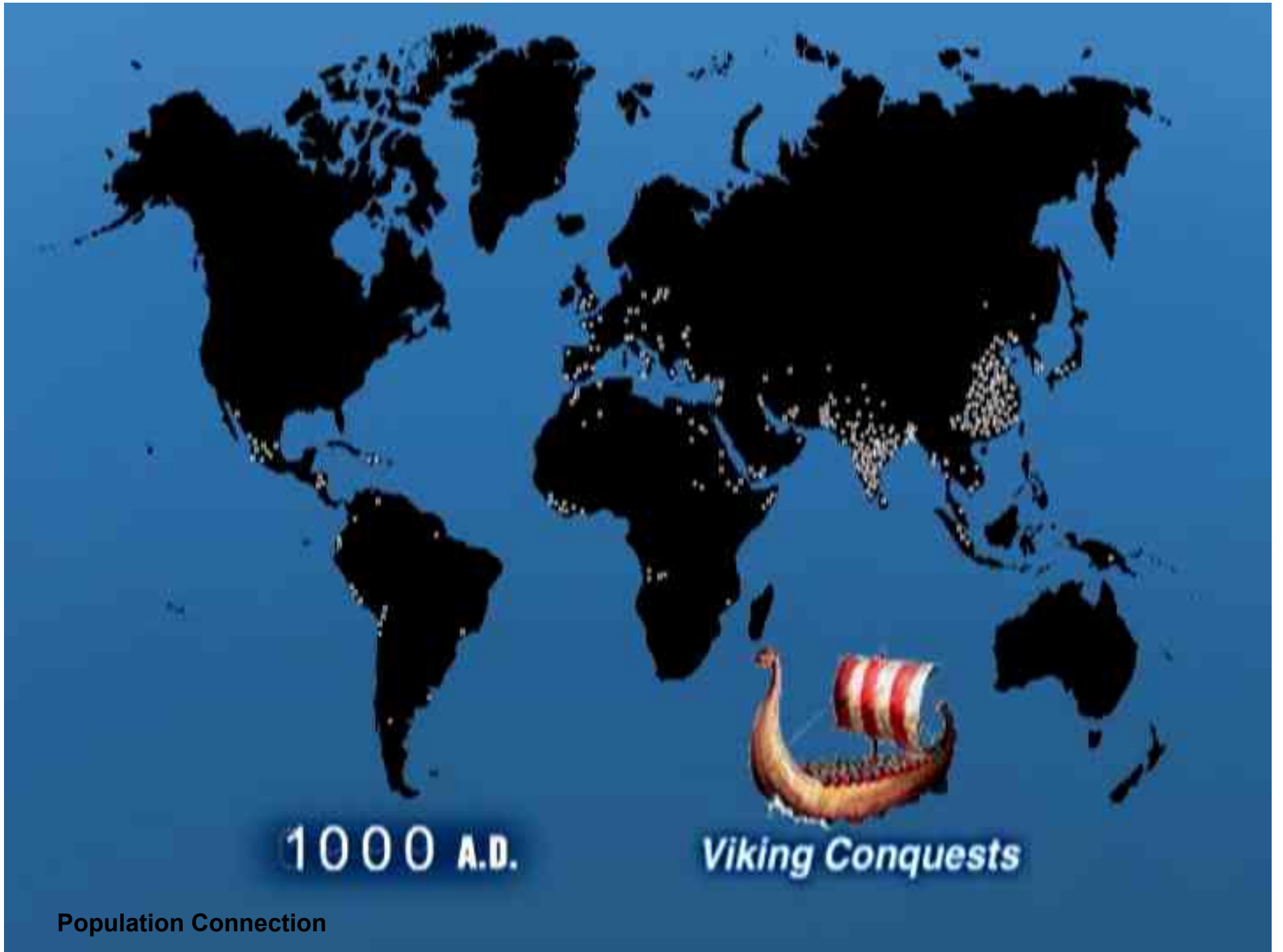


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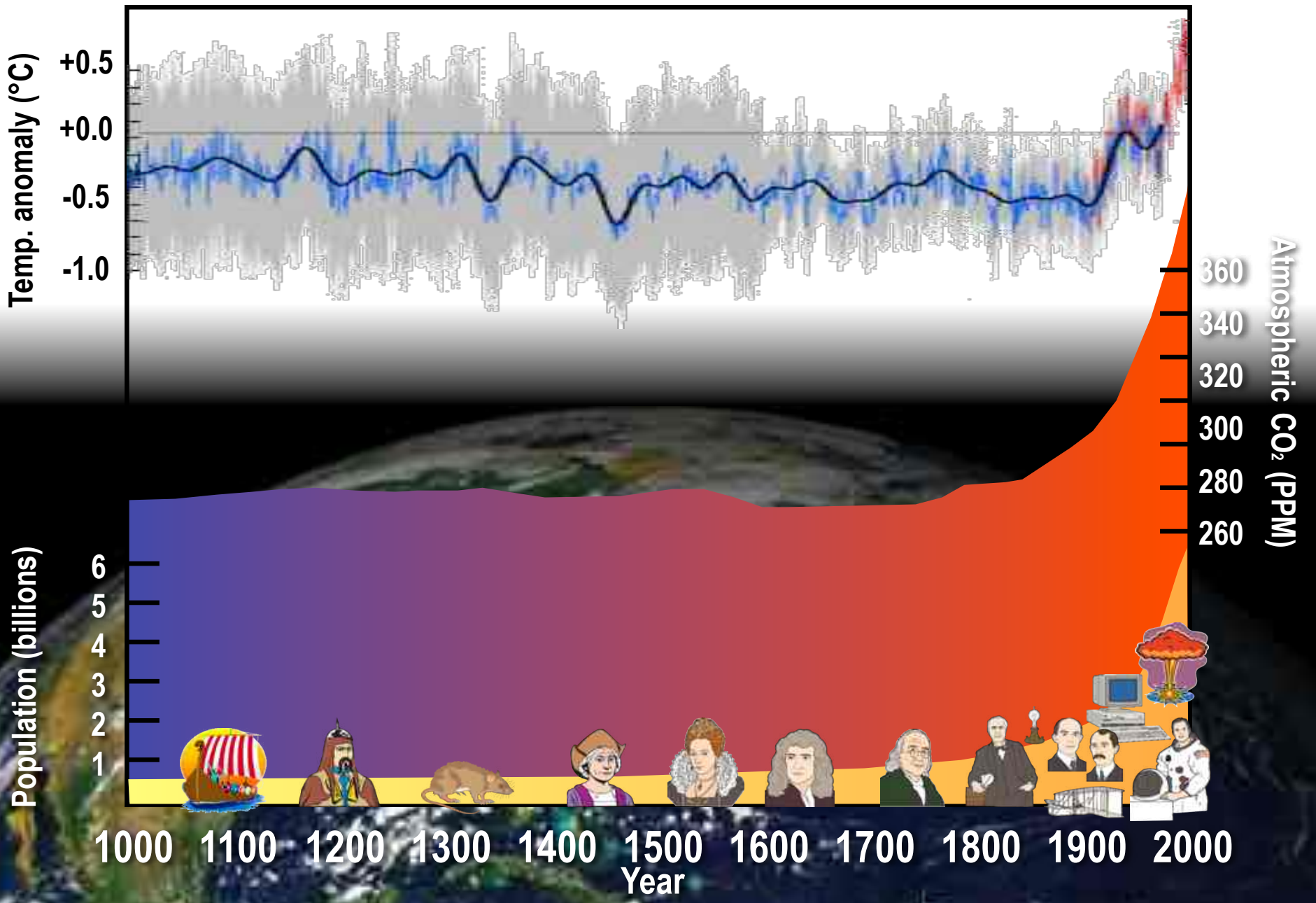


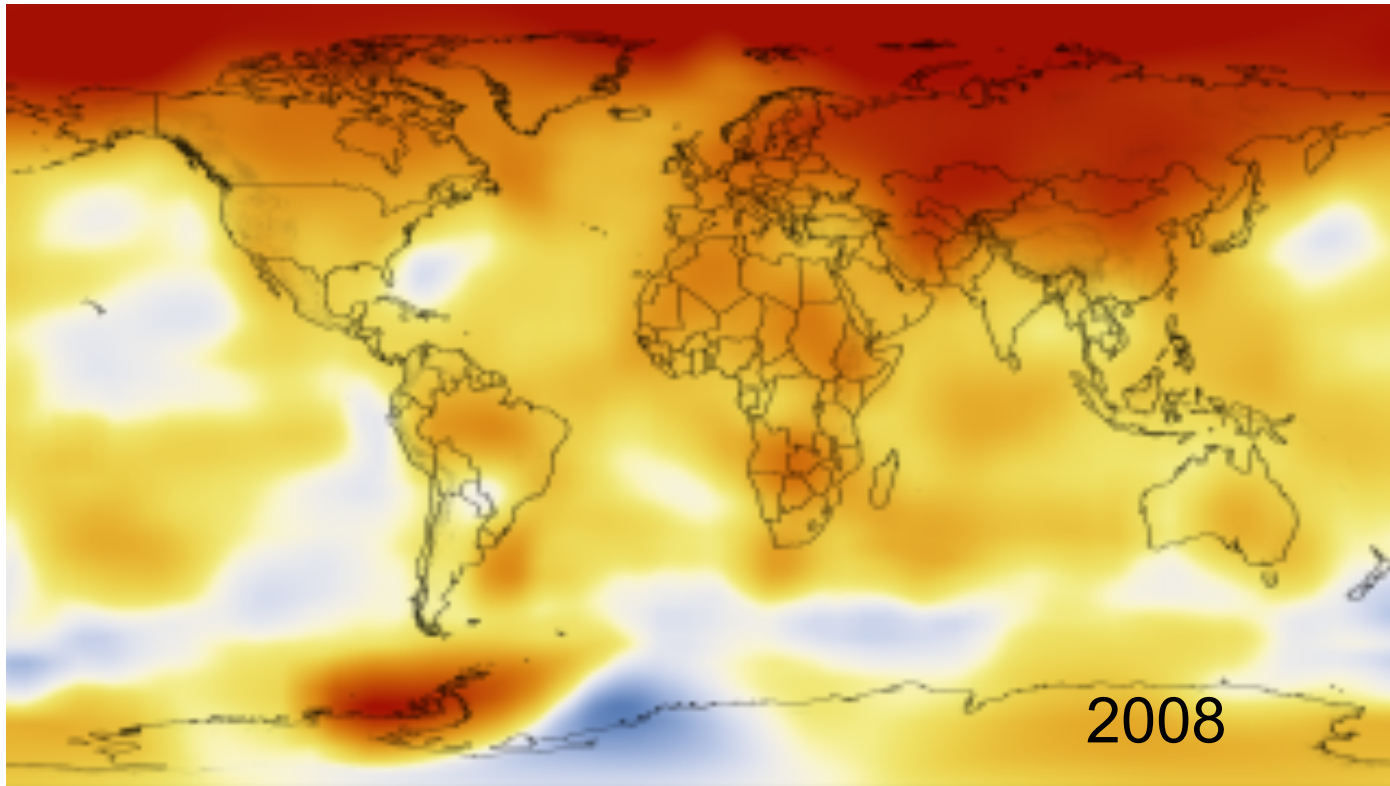


1000 A.D.

*Viking Conquests*

Population Connection

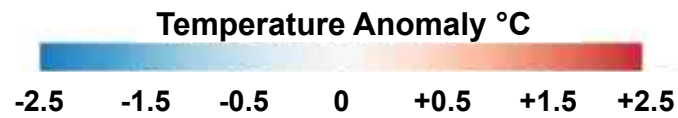
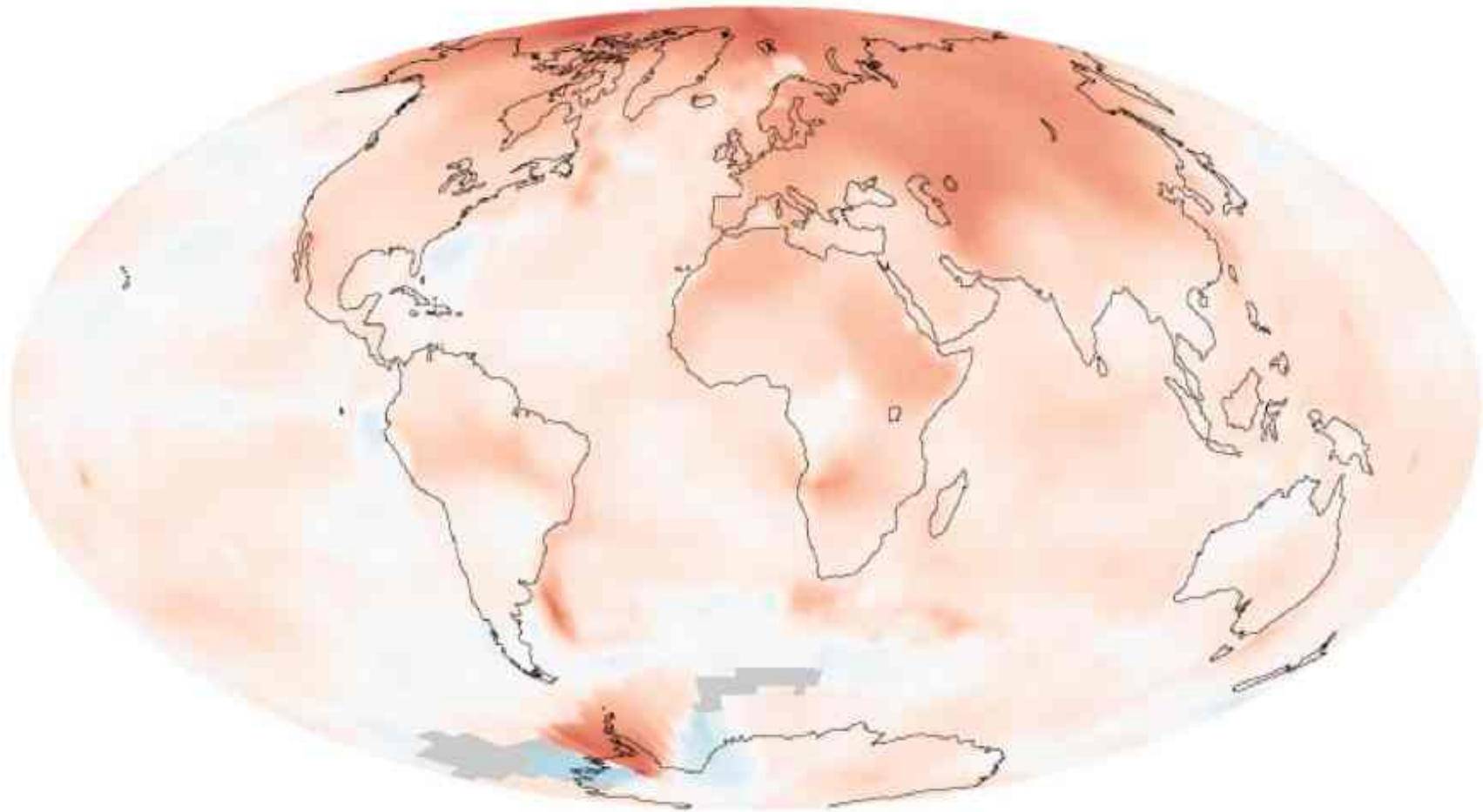




**Temperature Anomaly °C**

Data from NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center  
James Hansen, Goddard Institute of Space Studies  
Robert B. Schmunk, Scientific Visualization Studio

***The warmest decade on record...***

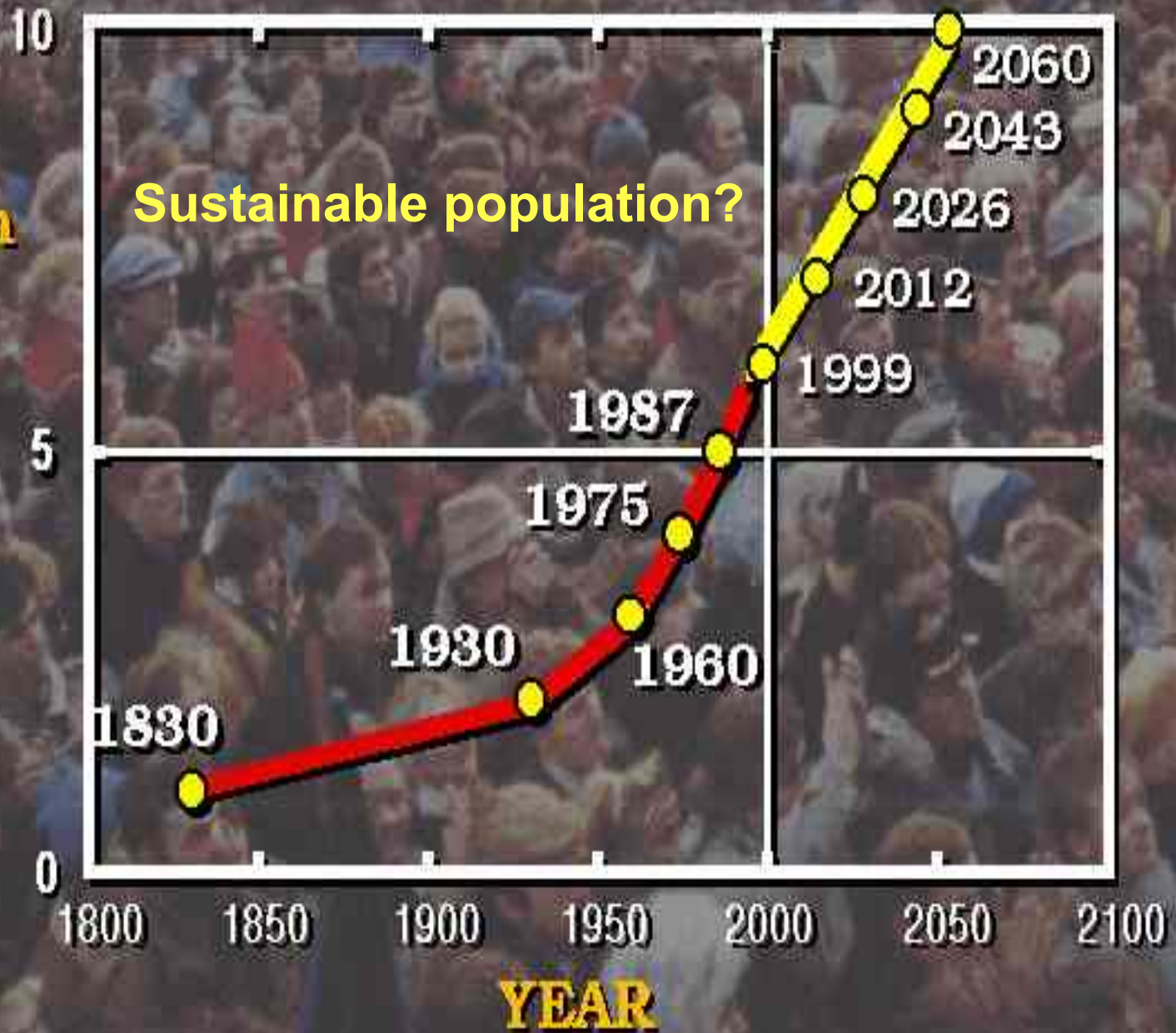


***DATA from GISS***  
Avg: 2000-2009  
1951-1980



# What is the meaning of sustainable?

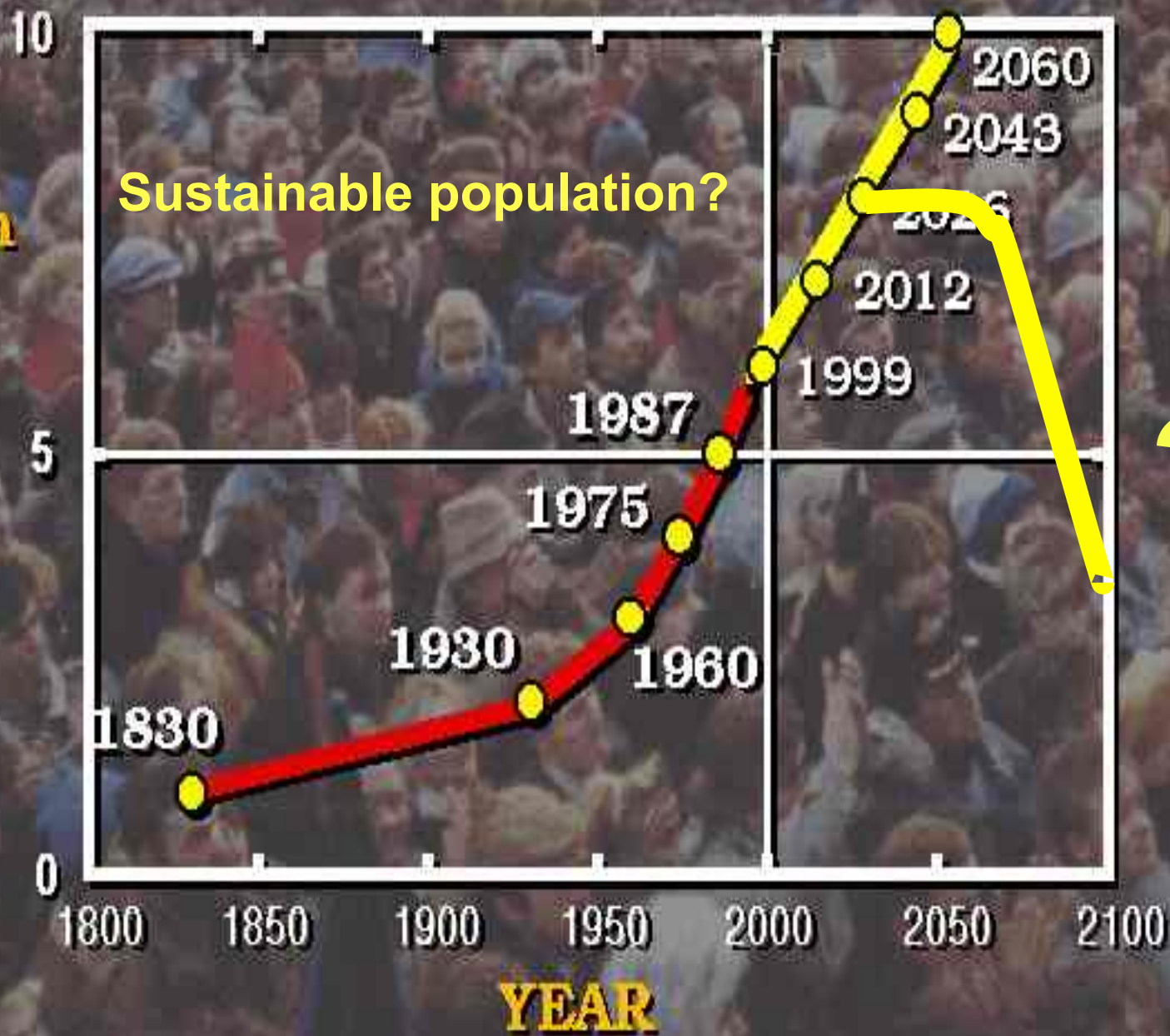
**World  
Population  
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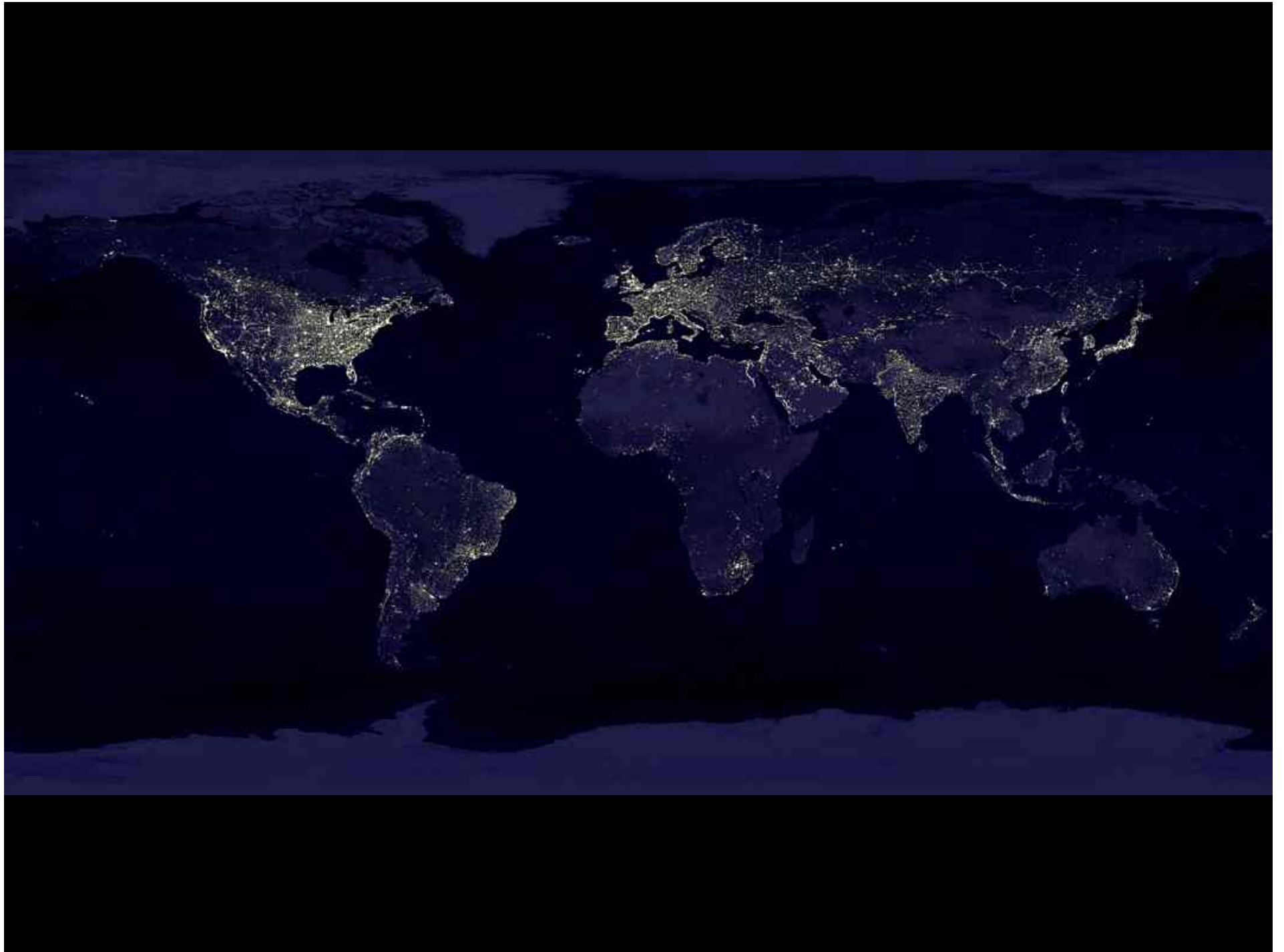


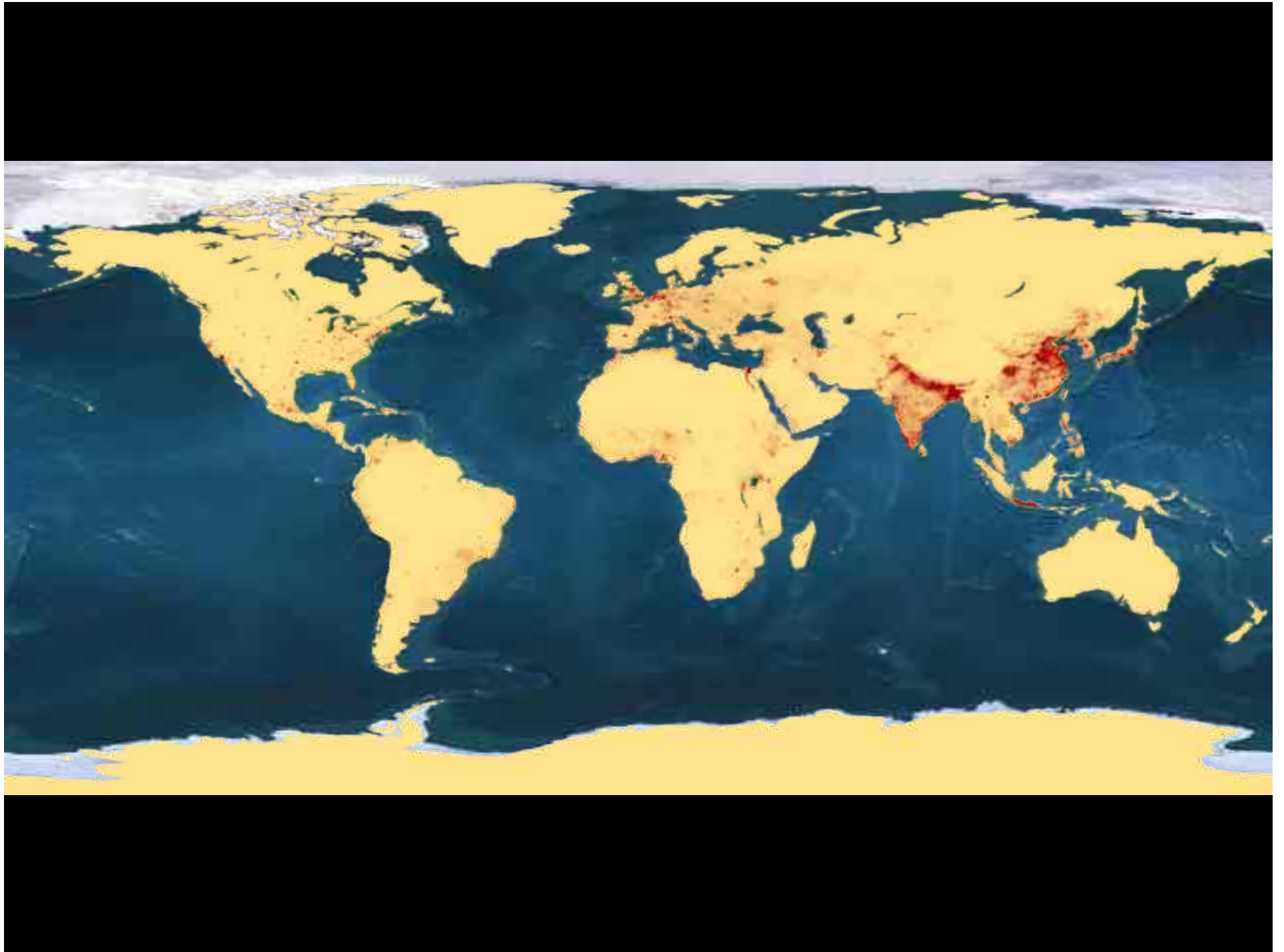


# World Population (Billions)

Sustainable population?

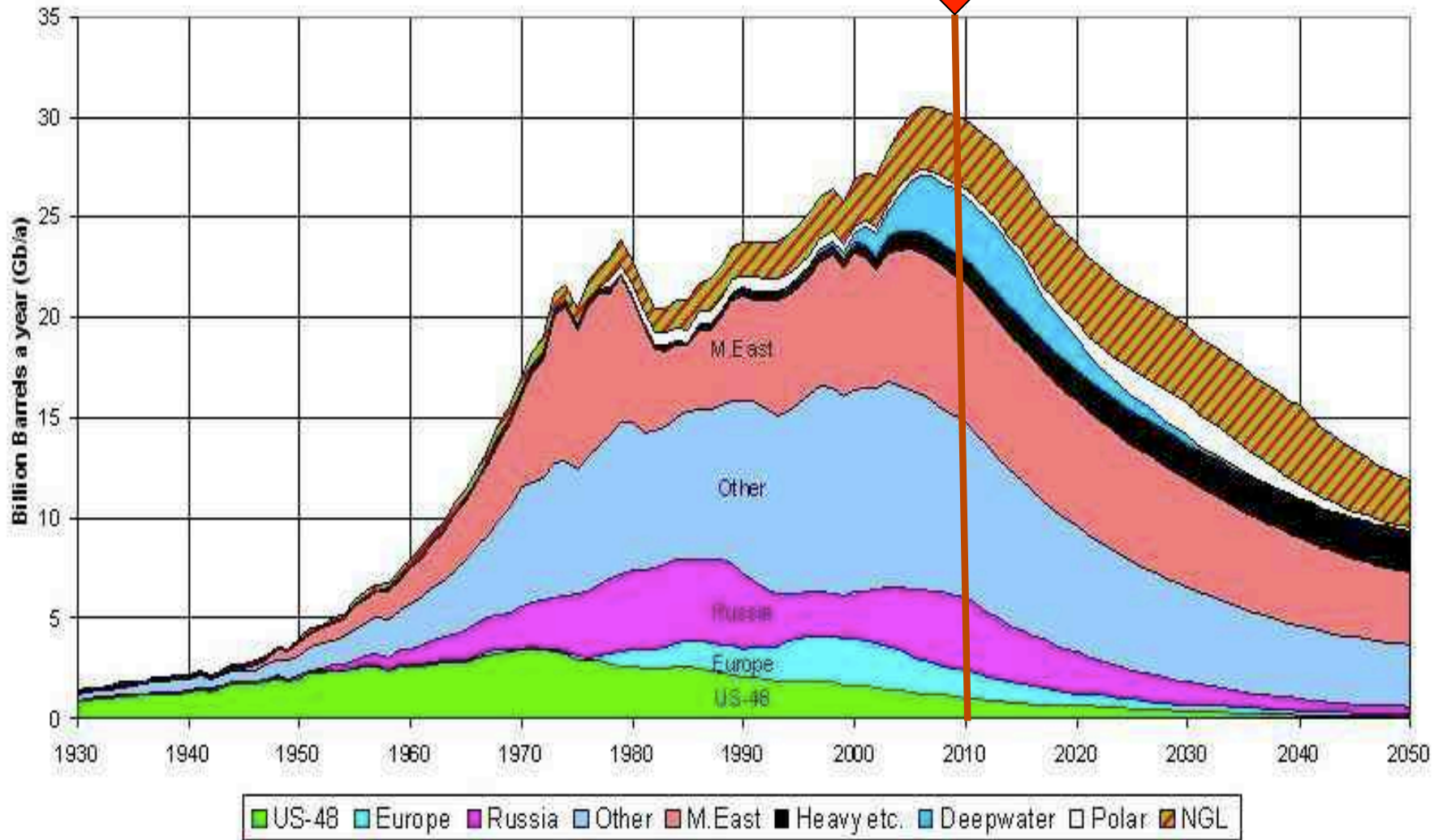






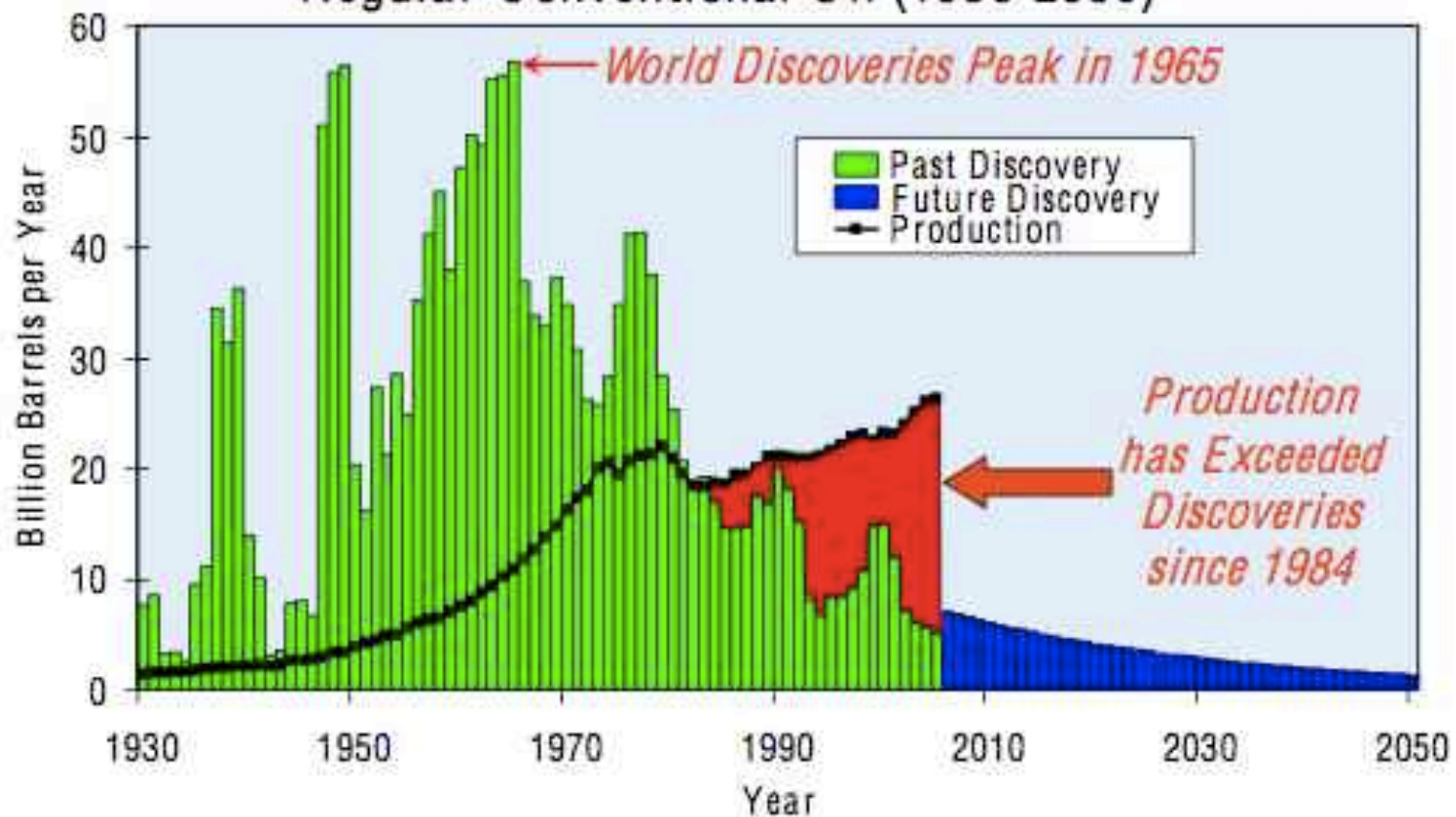


# Peak oil: 2004 Scenario **You are here**





## The Growing Gap between Production and Discovery of Regular Conventional Oil (1930-2050)



Past discoveries have been backdated with revisions from ExxonMobil (2002) to reflect "Reserve Growth"









Breton National Wildlife Refuge  
(Chandeleur Islands)

Delta National Wildlife Refuge

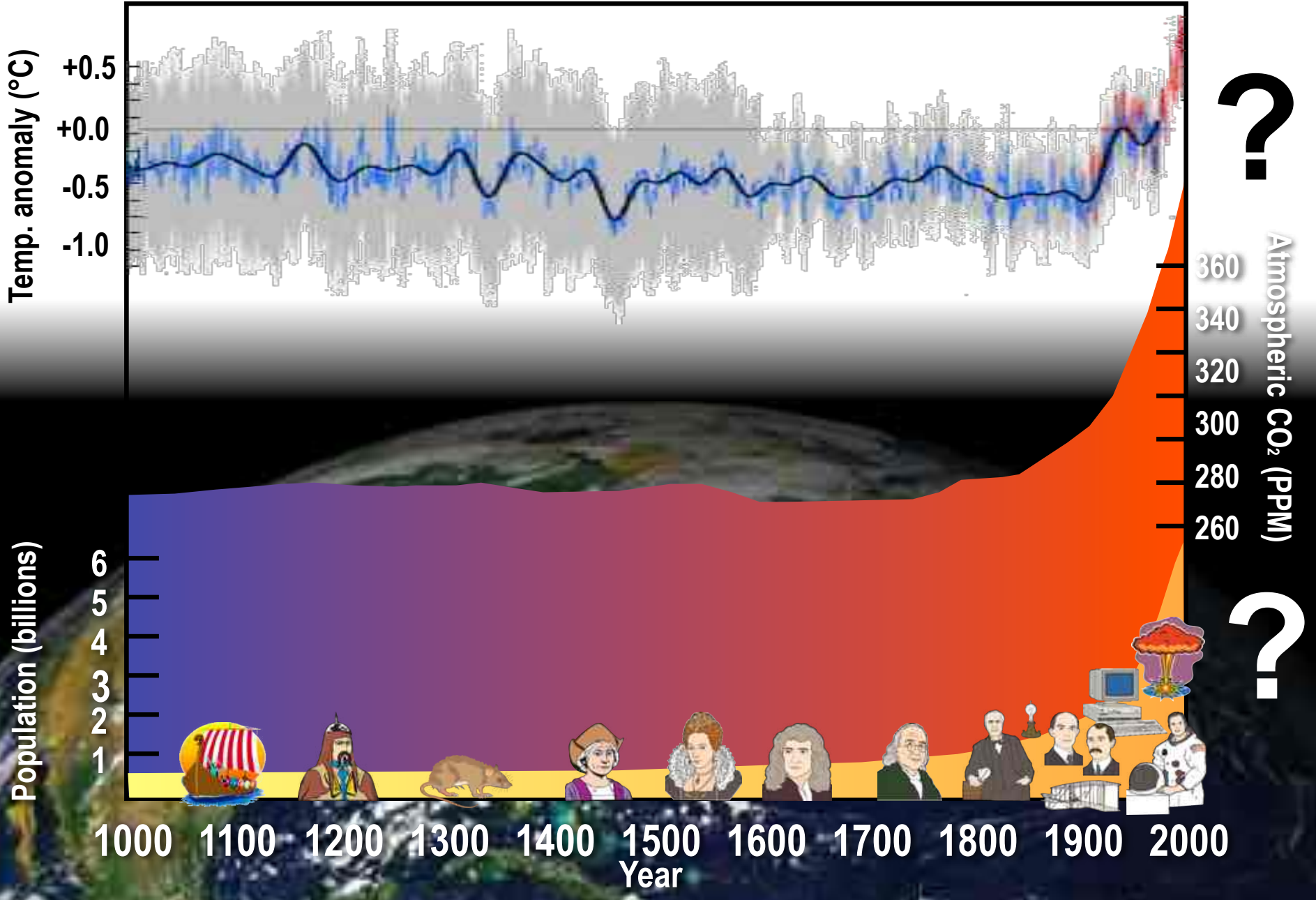
sunlint

oil slick

close up—

20 km





# IPCC predictions [www.net.org](http://www.net.org)

Mass extinction (>40% known spp),  
Sea level rise...

**Food?**

~30% wetlands flooded,  
freshwater, Islands

**Food?**

Stress on ecosystems  
(Population 9 billion)

**Food?**

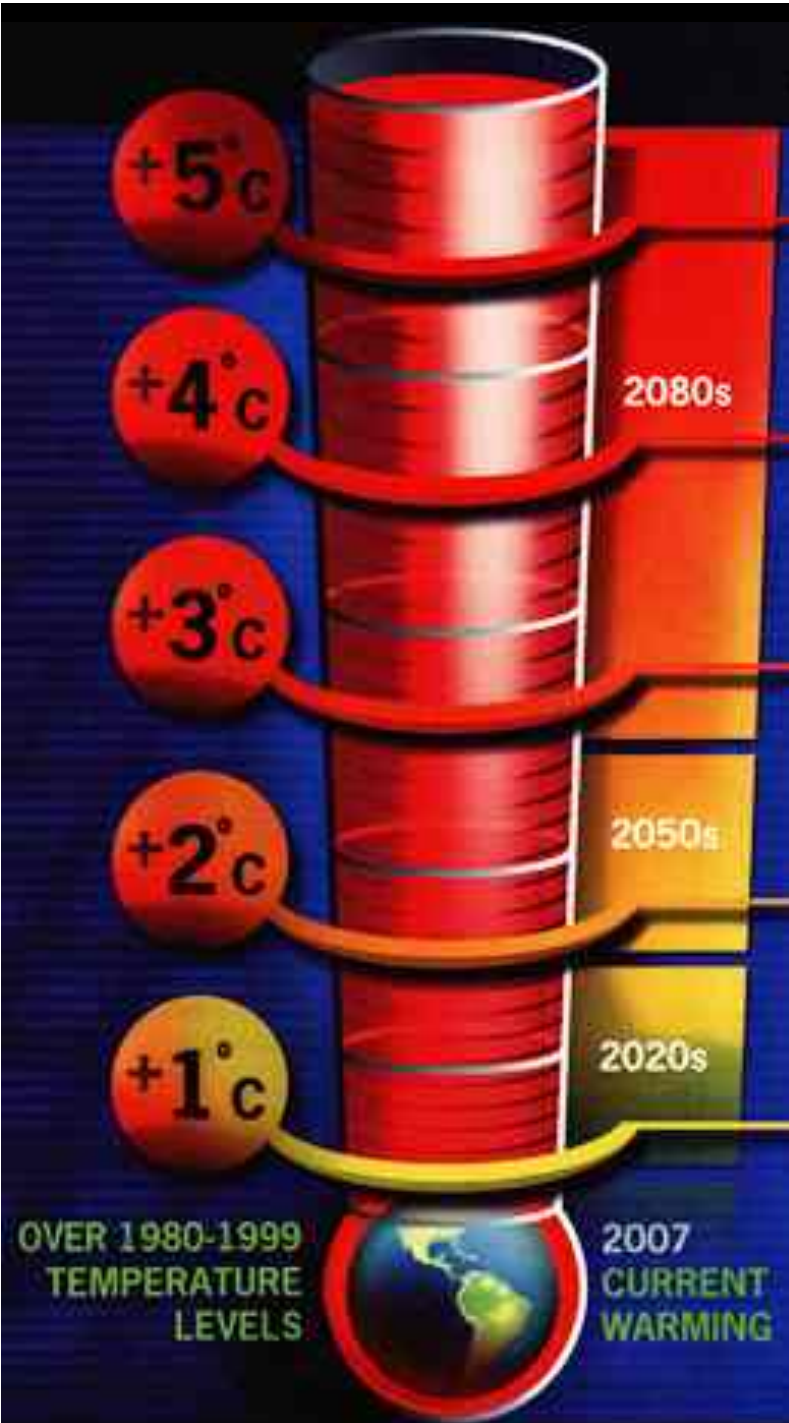
Extinctions (20-30% known spp),  
ocean acidification

**Food?**

} Temp rise 0.7°C  
Weather patterns, wildfires,  
floods/droughts

**Food?**

T. Root, Stanford





**Sustainability?**

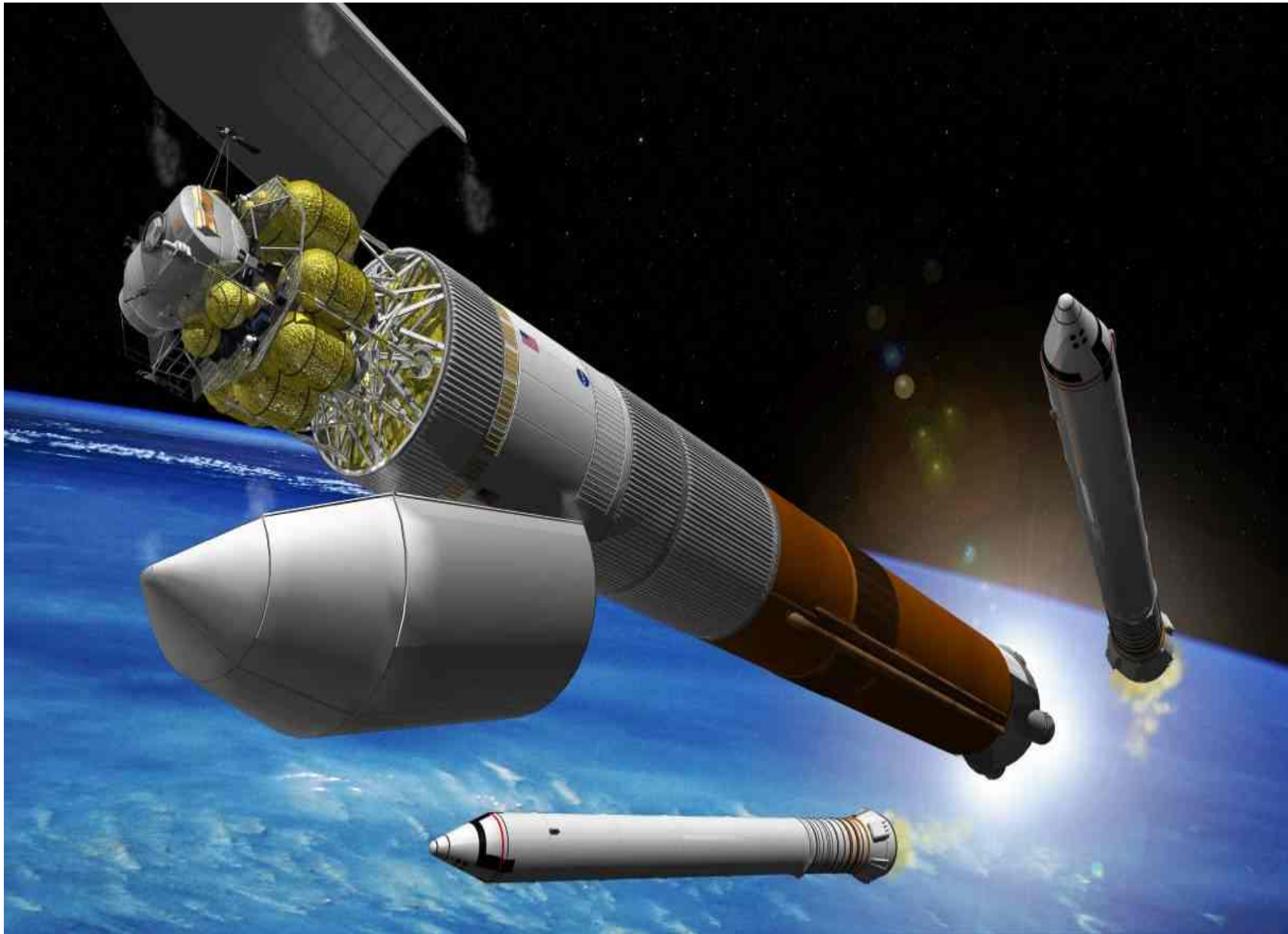
**Population**

**Affluence**

**Species**

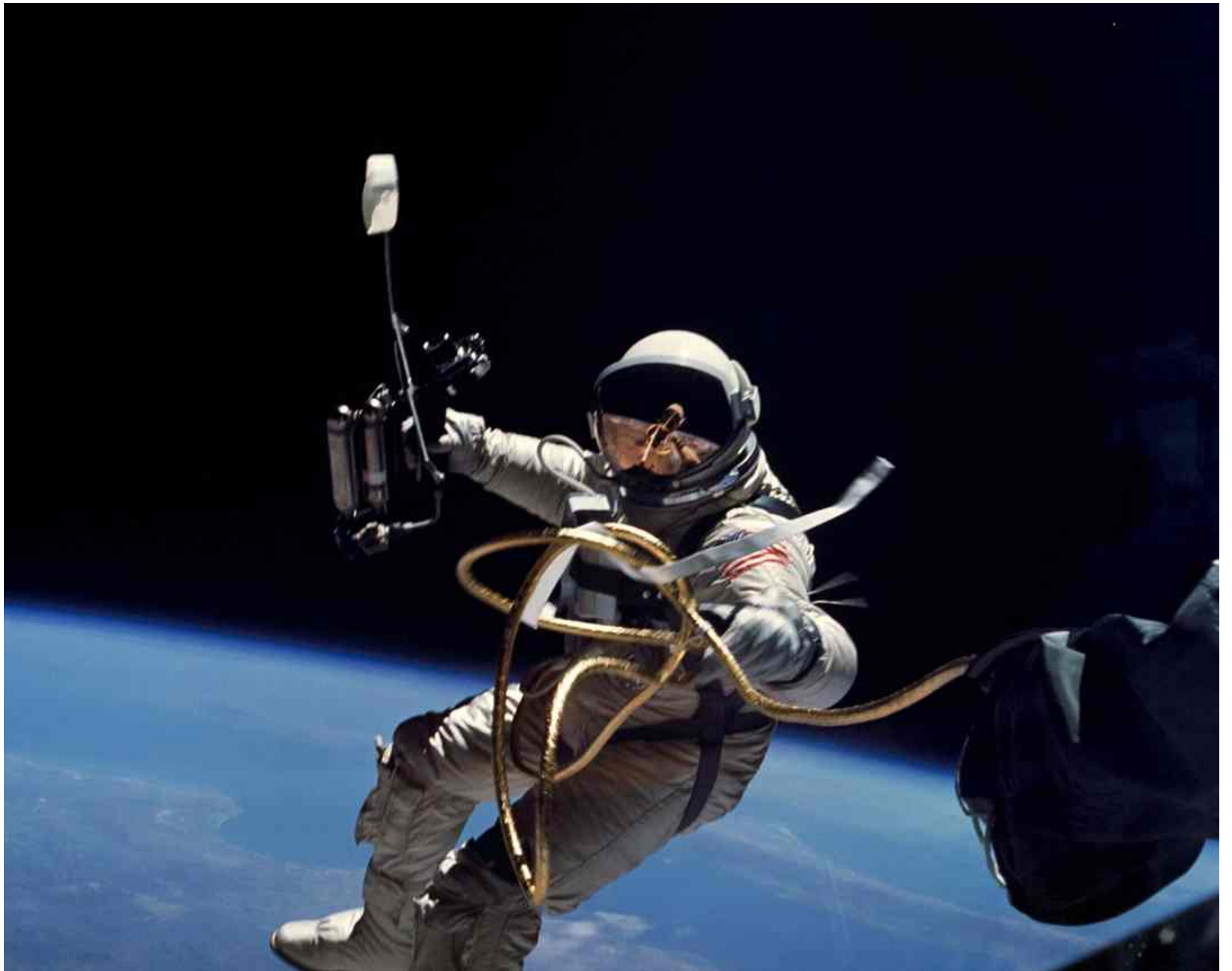
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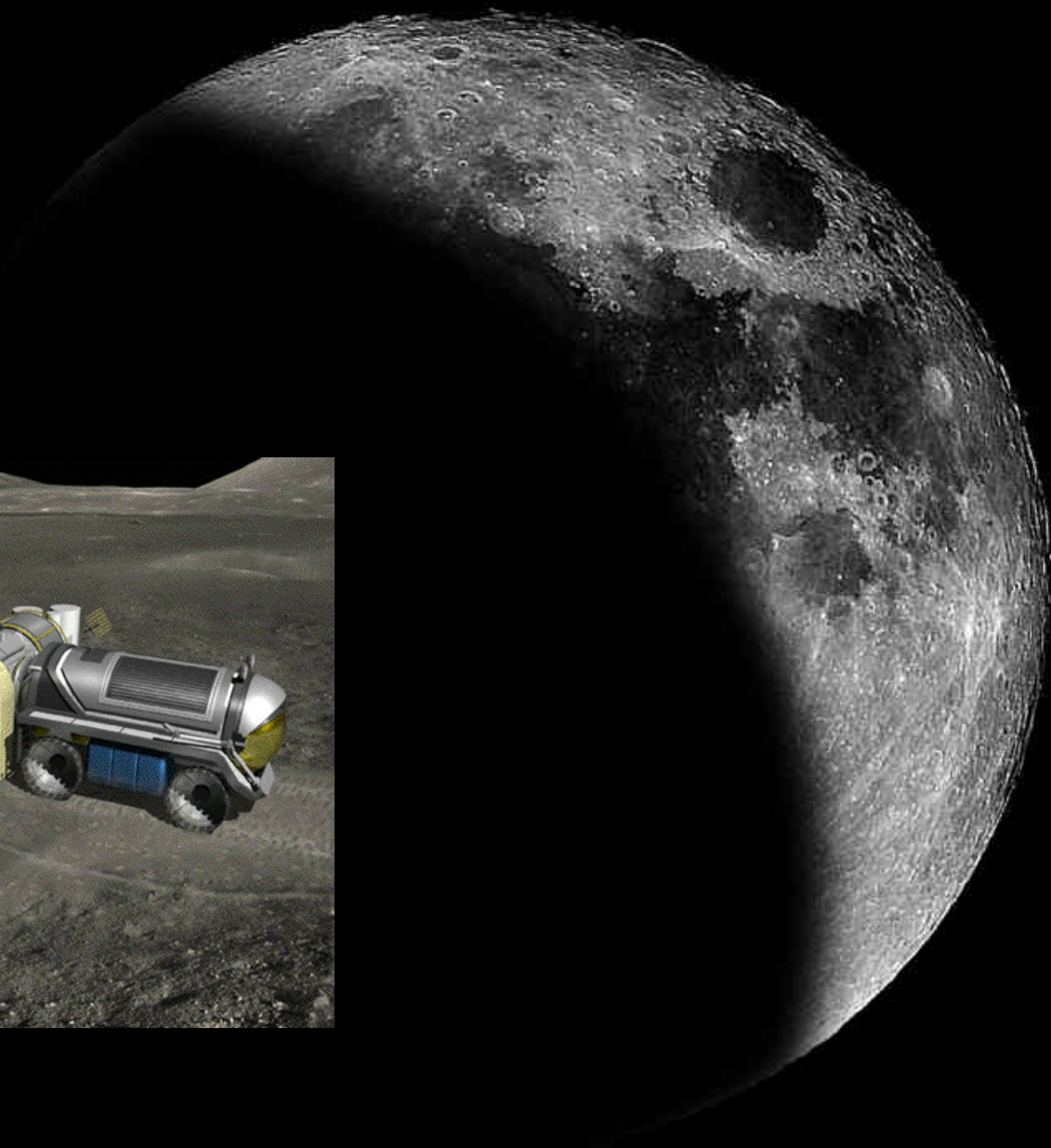
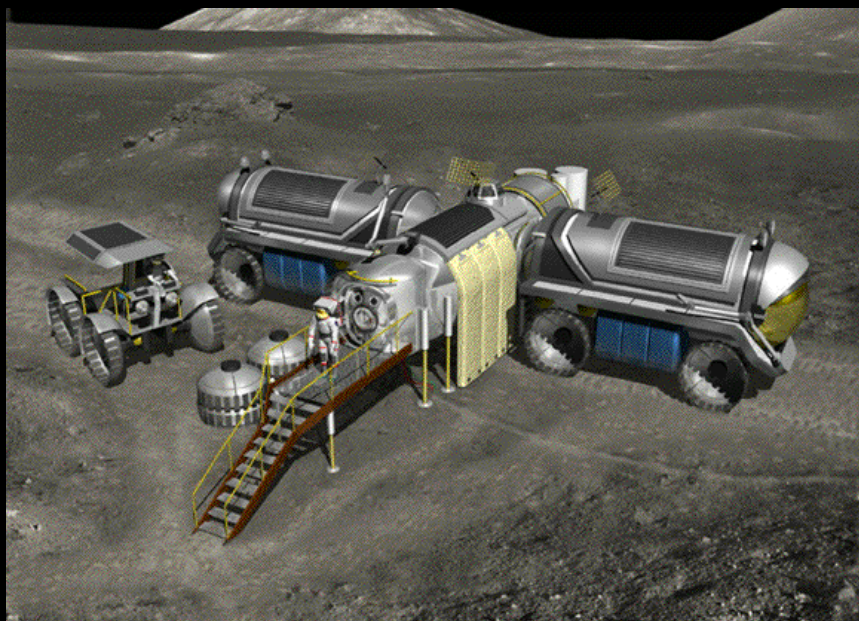










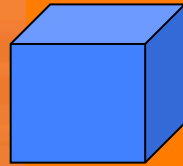




**Potential  
Renewable  
Energy  
Resources...**

126,000.0 TW Solar

92,000.0 TW GEOTHERMAL



172.0 TW BIOMASS



10.0 TW OCEAN THERMAL



5.0 TW WIND



2.0 TW WAVE



0.1 TW TIDAL POWER

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218,189.1 TW TOTAL



15.0 TW WORLD ENERGY DEMAND

Based on data from  
B. Hankamer  
NREL



# Are biofuels the answer?

Only if they do not use:

- agricultural land
- freshwater
- fertilizer

Feasible, affordable, scalable, sustainable...

**NOW!**

FAVORITE



EXCUSE ME.  
I'M GOING TO  
NEED THIS TO  
RUN MY CAR.

# How **green** are biofuels?

	<b>Corn</b>	<b>Sugar Cane</b>	<b>Switch Grass</b>
<b>Product</b>			
<b>GHG output*</b>			
<b>Water</b>			
<b>Fertilizer</b>			
<b>Pesticide</b>			
<b>Energy</b>			
<b>US crop land/ half demand</b>			

\*CO<sub>2</sub> kg/MJ: Growing, harvesting, refining, burning fuel (cf., gas=94)

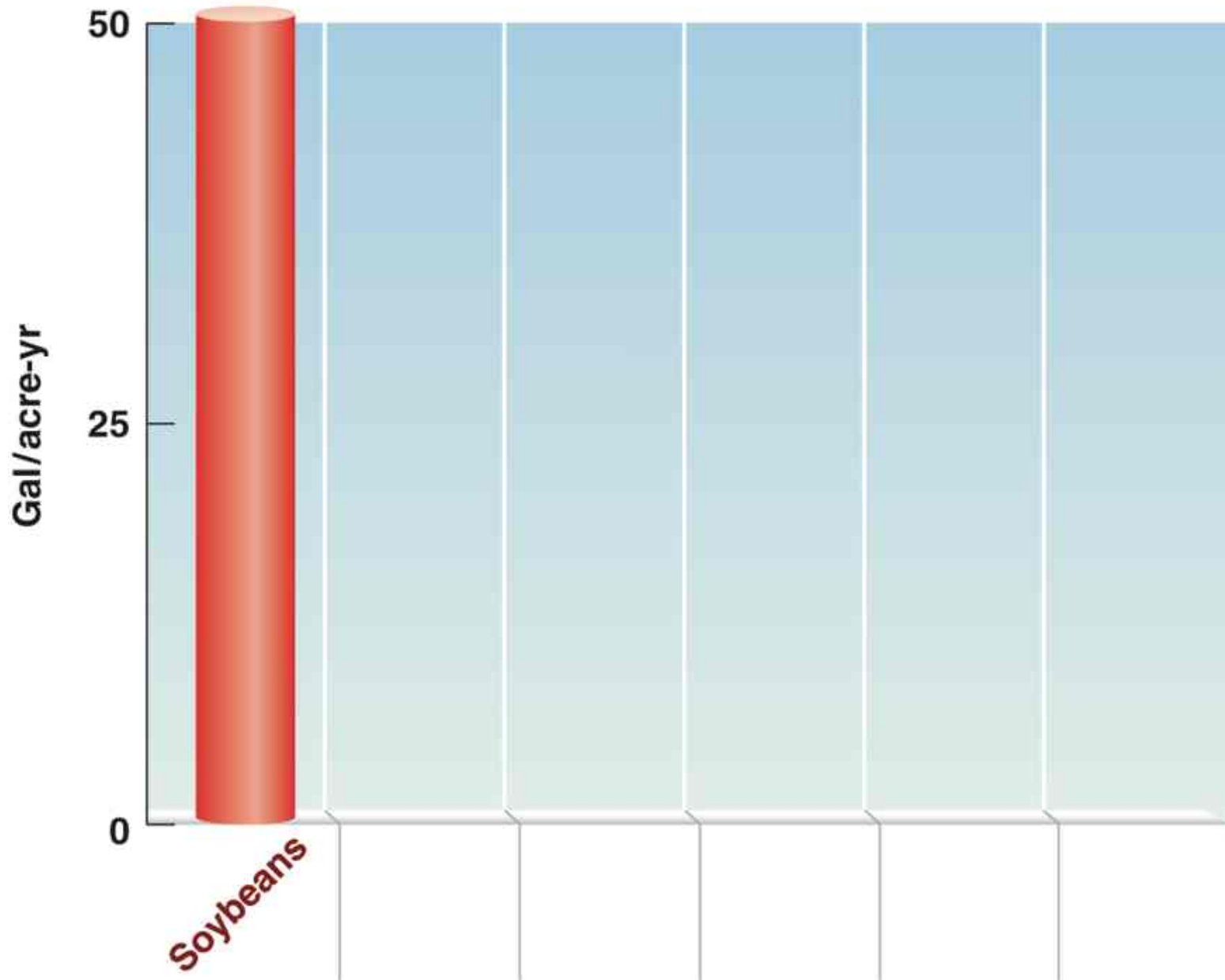


## The problem with biodiesel...

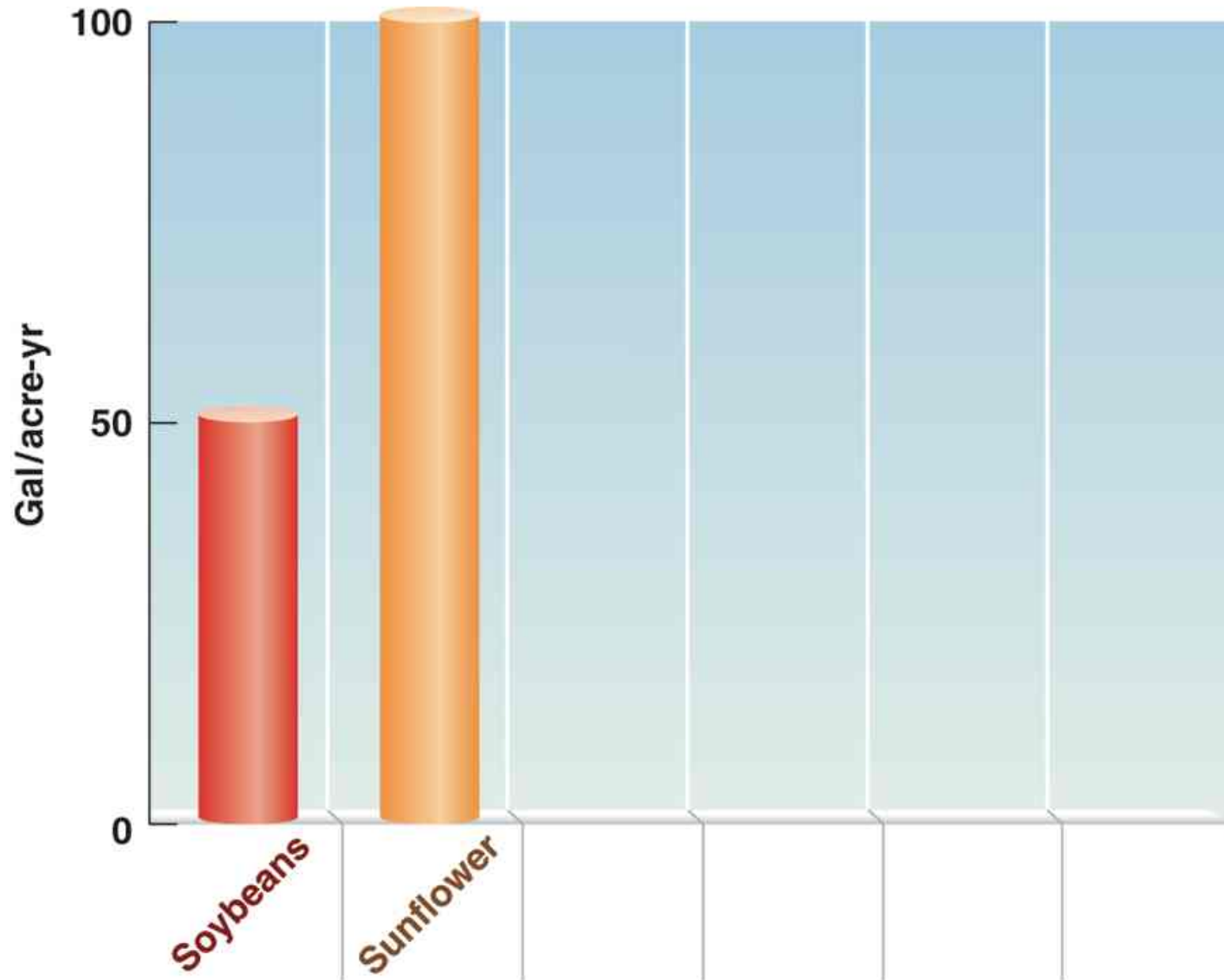
	<b>Wood Residue</b>	<b>Soybeans</b>	<b>Rapeseed, Canola</b>
<b>Product</b>	Ethanol, biodiesel	biodiesel	biodiesel
<b>GHG output*</b>	N/A	49	37
<b>Water</b>	low	HIGH	HIGH
<b>Fertilizer</b>	low	low-med	med
<b>Pesticide</b>	low	med	med
<b>Energy</b>	low	med-low	med-low
<b>US crop land/ half demand</b>	150 -250%	180-240%	30%

\*CO<sub>2</sub> kg/MJ: Growing, harvesting, refining, burning fuel (cf., Diesel=83)

# BIODIESEL CROPS AND PRODUCTION

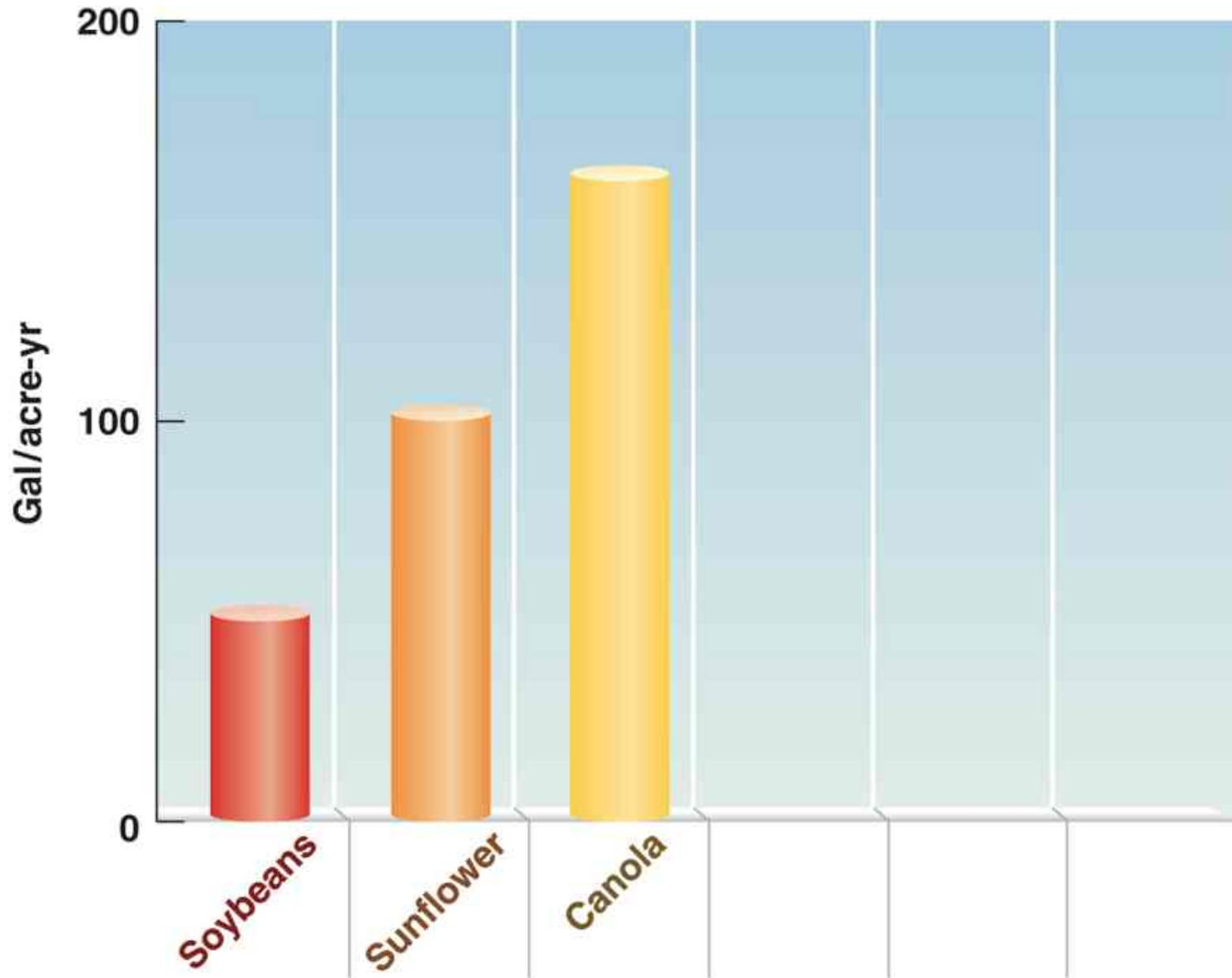


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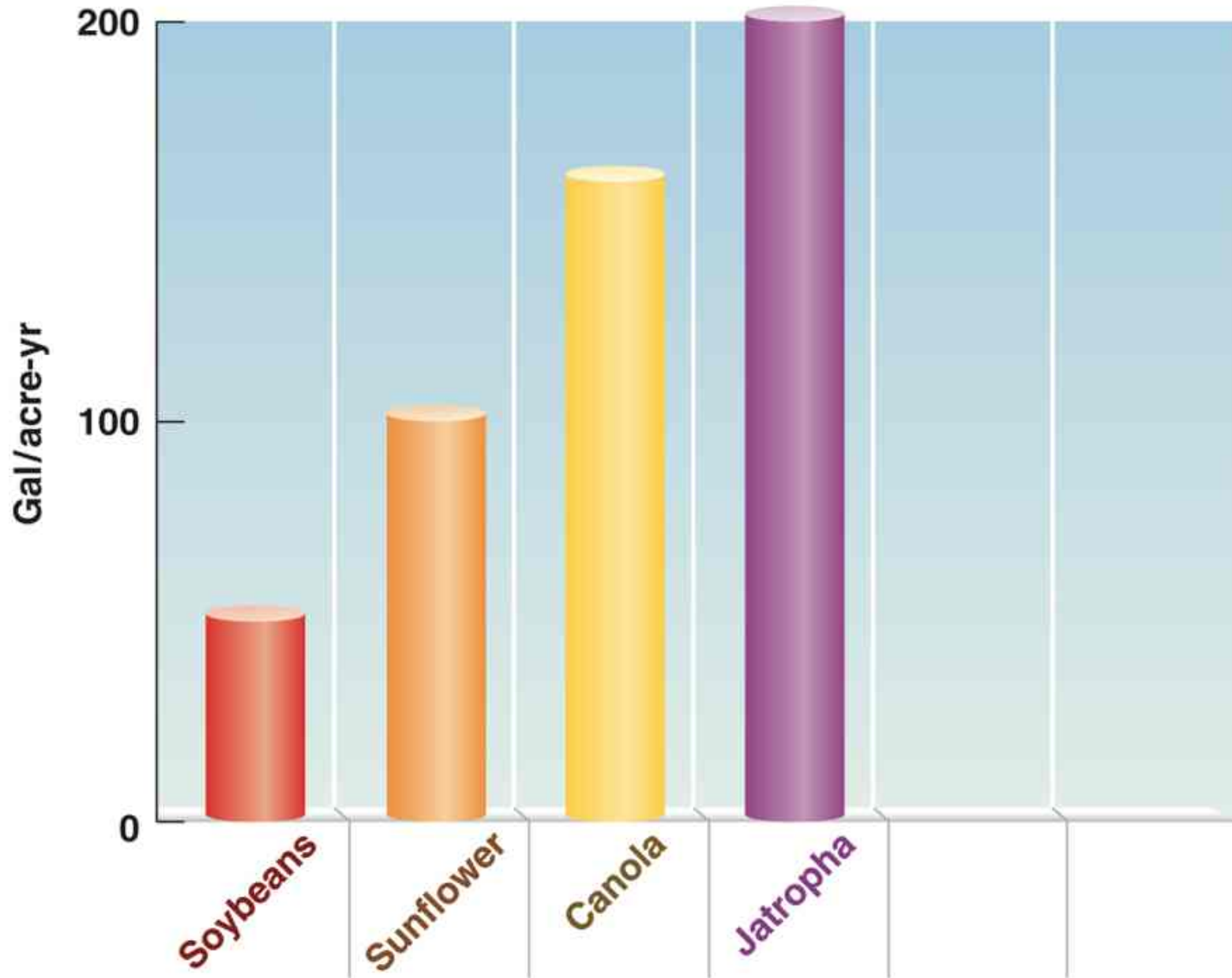




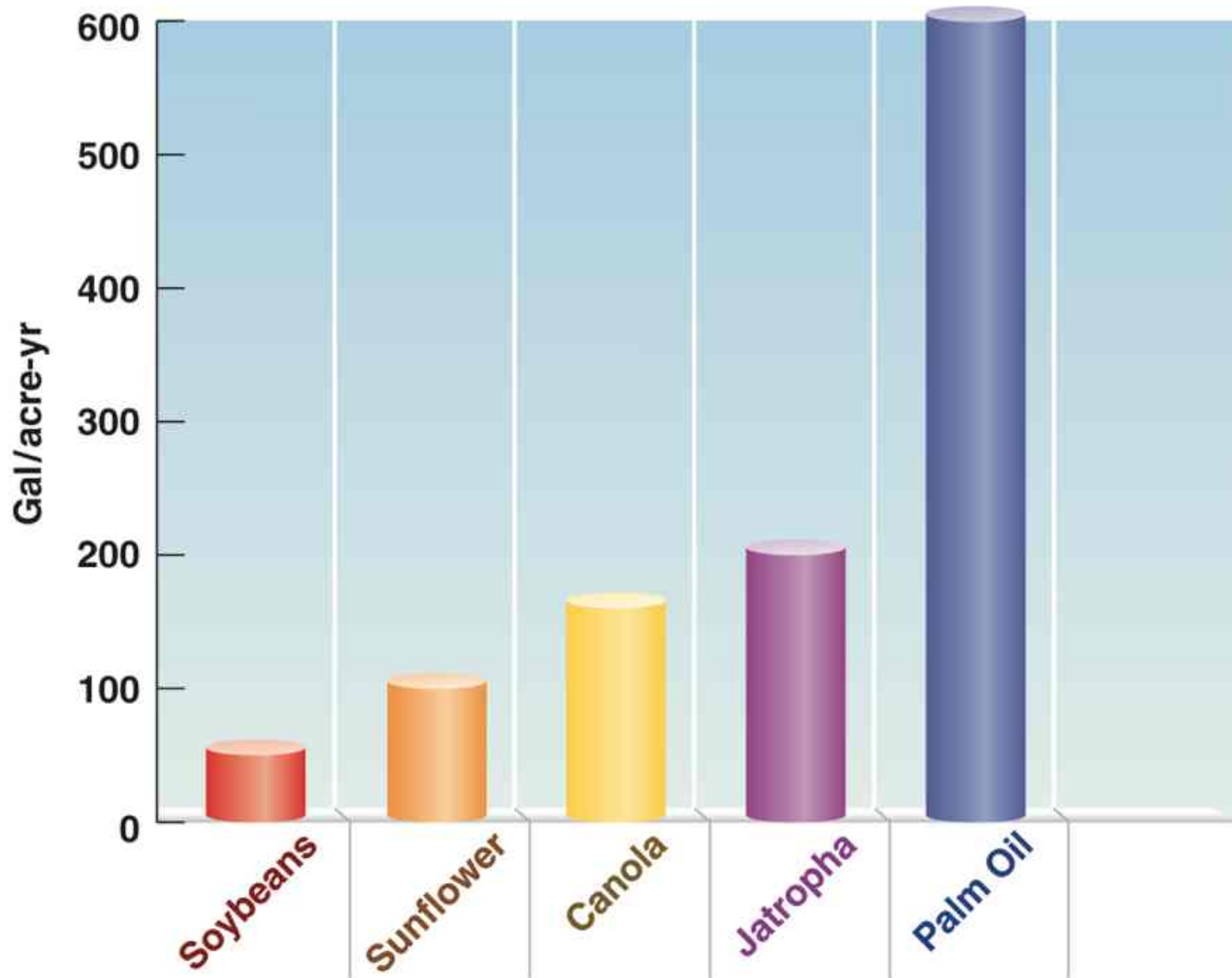
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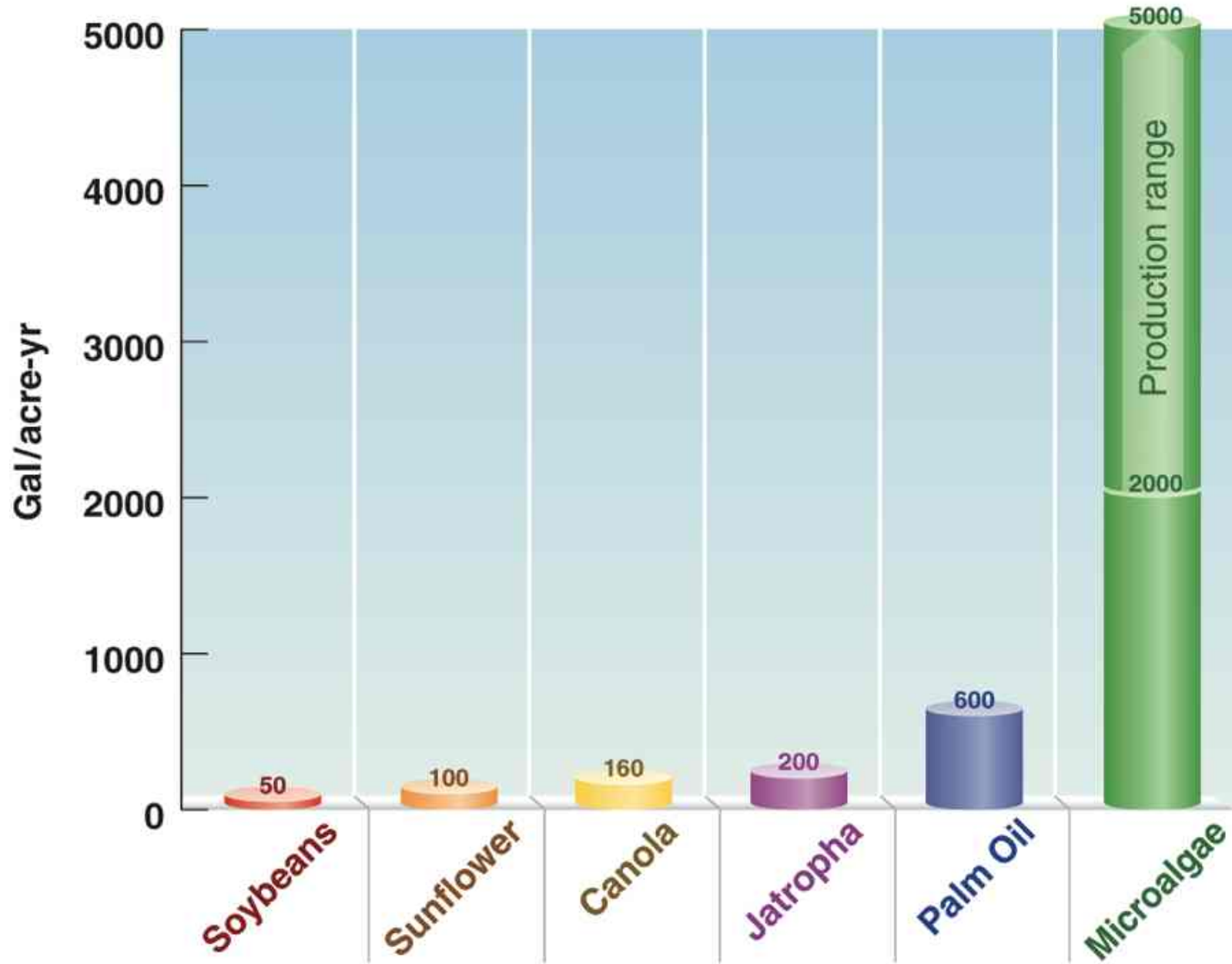


## BIODIESEL CROPS AND PRODUCTION





# BIODIESEL CROPS AND PRODUCTION



# *Botryococcus braunii*

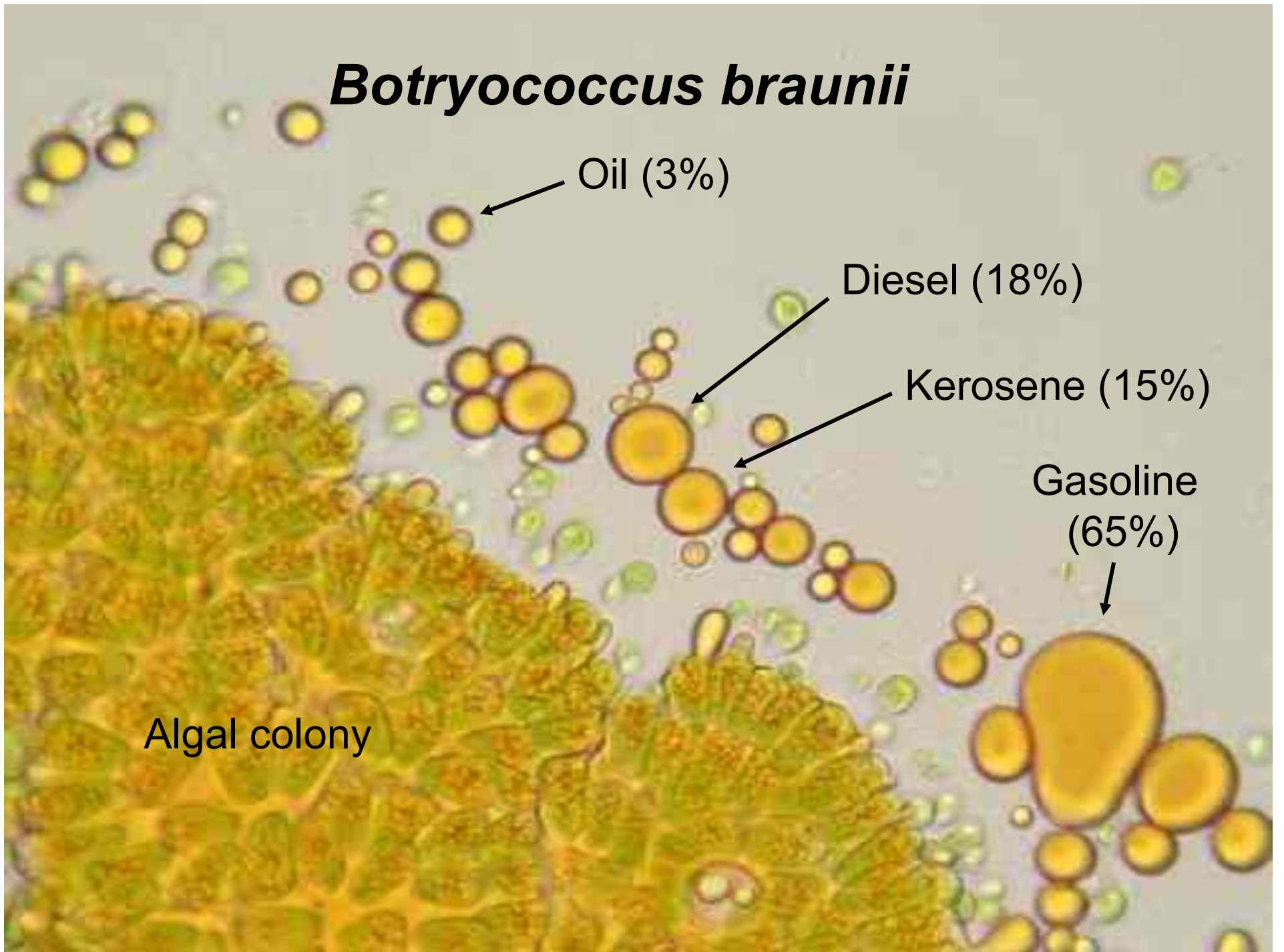
Oil (3%)

Diesel (18%)

Kerosene (15%)

Gasoline (65%)

Algal colony



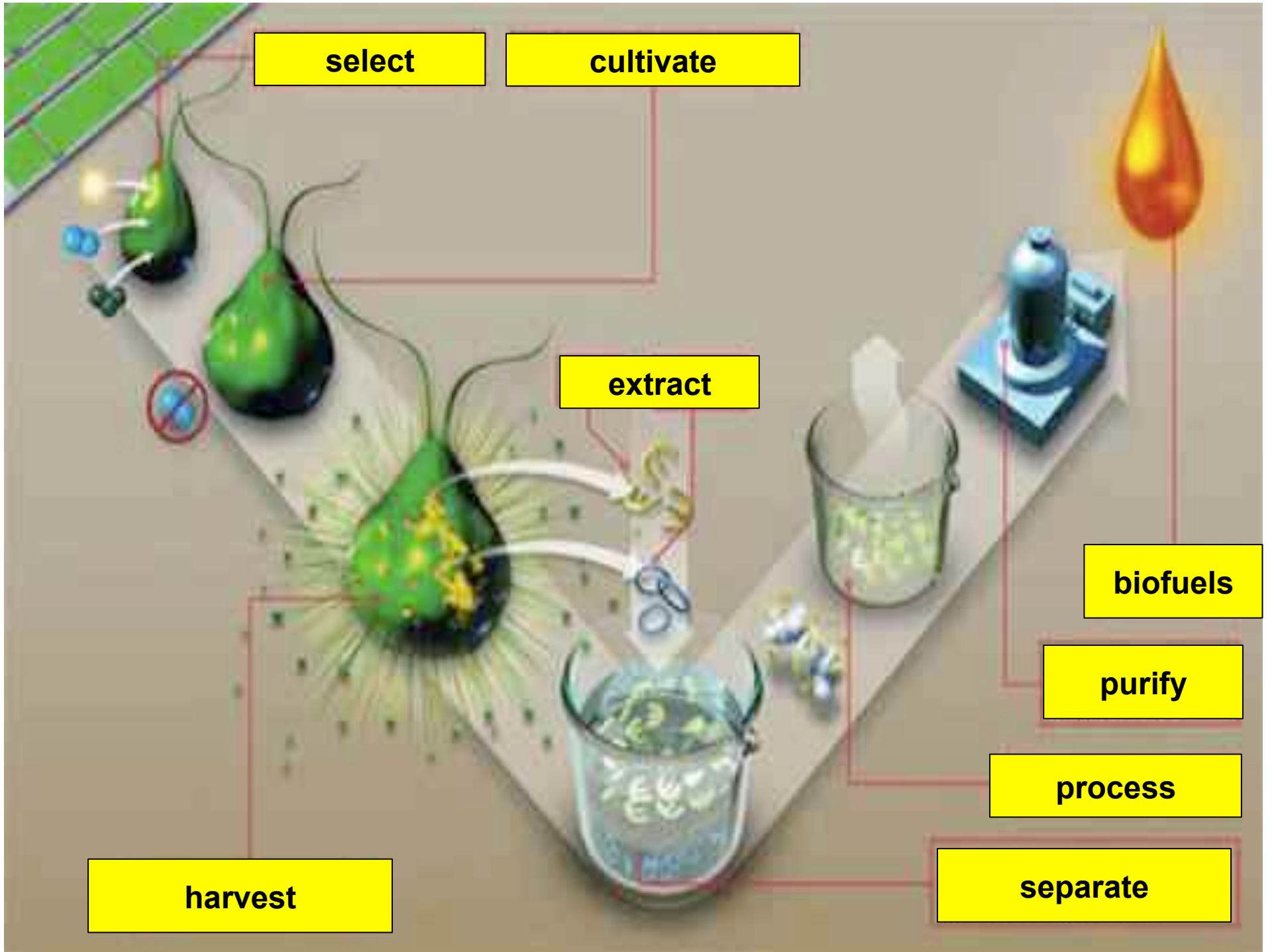


## *Biodiesel crops and production:*

<b>Plant</b>	<b>Gal/acre-yr</b>	<b>Barrels/yr</b>
Soybeans	50	>10,000,000
Sunflower	100	> 1,000,000
Canola	160	>10,000,000
Jatropha	200?	some, not much
Palm Oil	600	>10,000,000
<b>Microalgae</b>	2,000 to 5,000	~0.1

from: Benemann 2009. Algae Biomass Summit





# Algae cultivation systems on land...

Open circulating ponds  
(raceways)



Closed bioreactors











**Cyanotech, HI**



**Yaeyama, Japan**



**Aquacarotene, Australia**



**NBT/Seabiotics, Israel**



# What's wrong with this picture?

**WATER**

**Energy required for  
pumping water**

**Weed species**

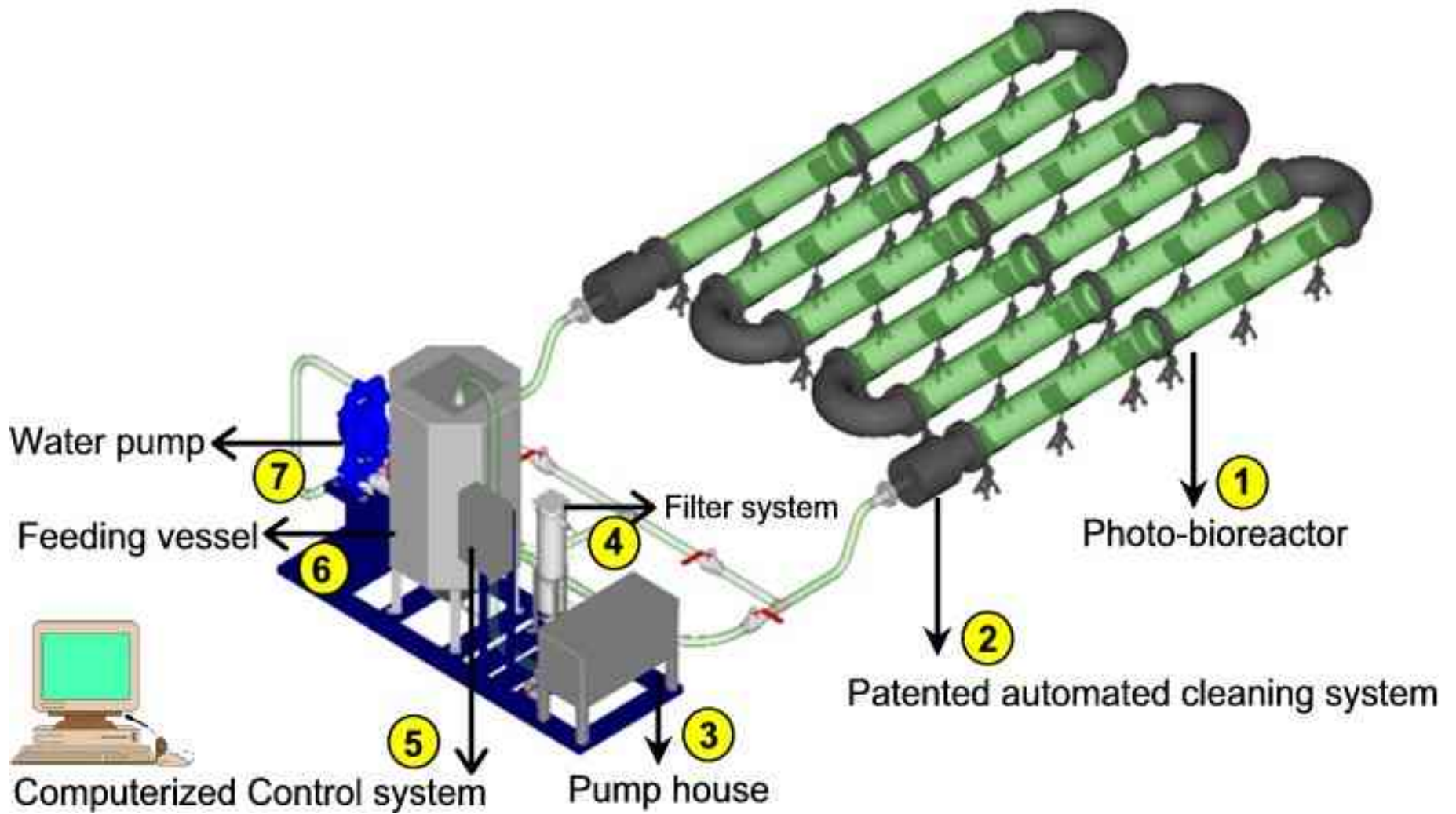
**Producing  
Microalgae  
for  
Fuel**

Artist's Conception of  
a Processing Facility



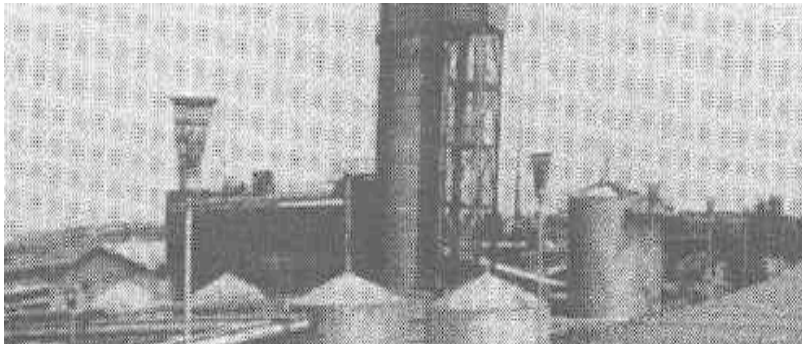
**Bioreactor**





Algal Bioreactor



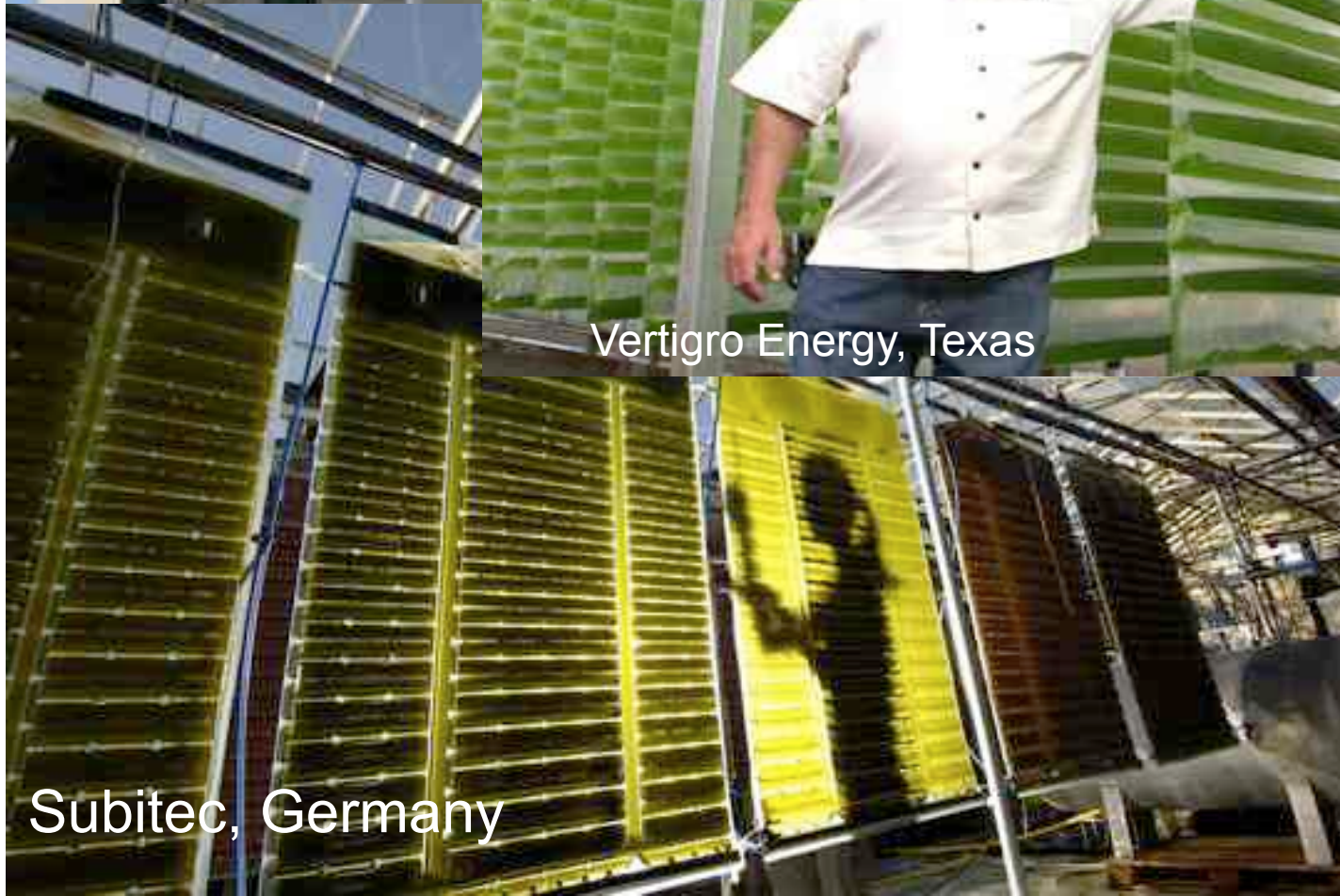




[www.bioenergy-noe.org](http://www.bioenergy-noe.org)



Vertigo Energy, Texas



Subitec, Germany

NOVAgreen, Germany



[www.nerc.ac.uk](http://www.nerc.ac.uk)





**What's wrong with this picture?**

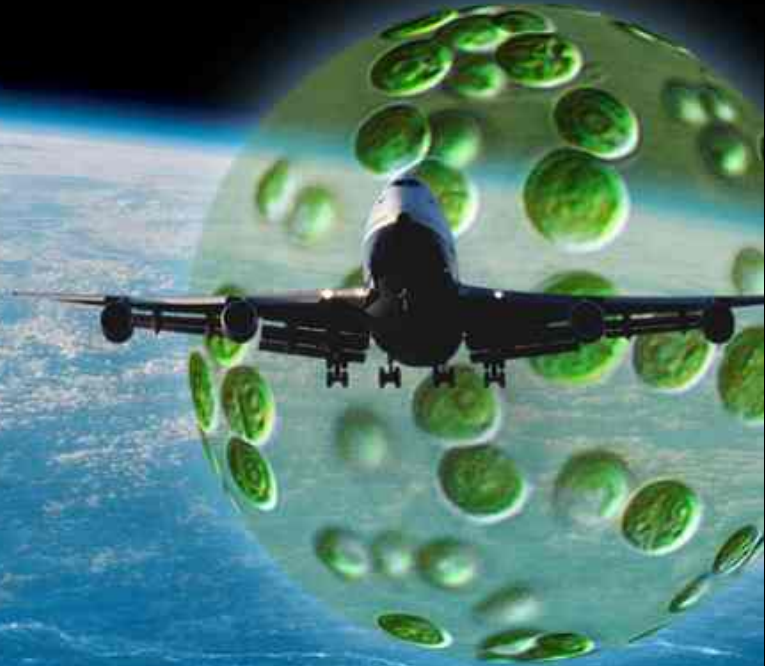
**Cost of PBR infrastructure**

**Energy requirements:  
pumping, mixing, cooling**

**Temperature regulation**



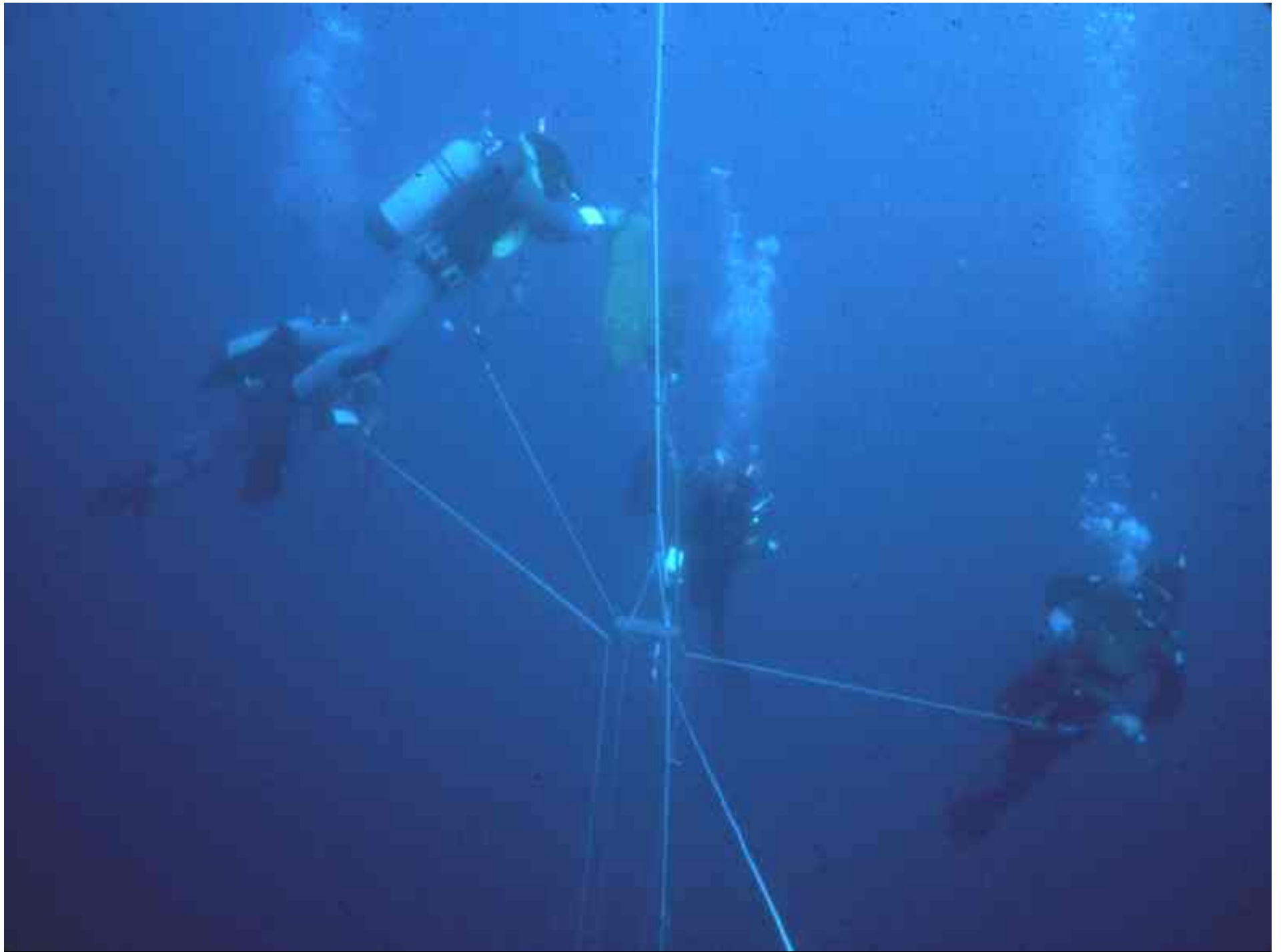
***What about collecting wild  
algae from the ocean?***





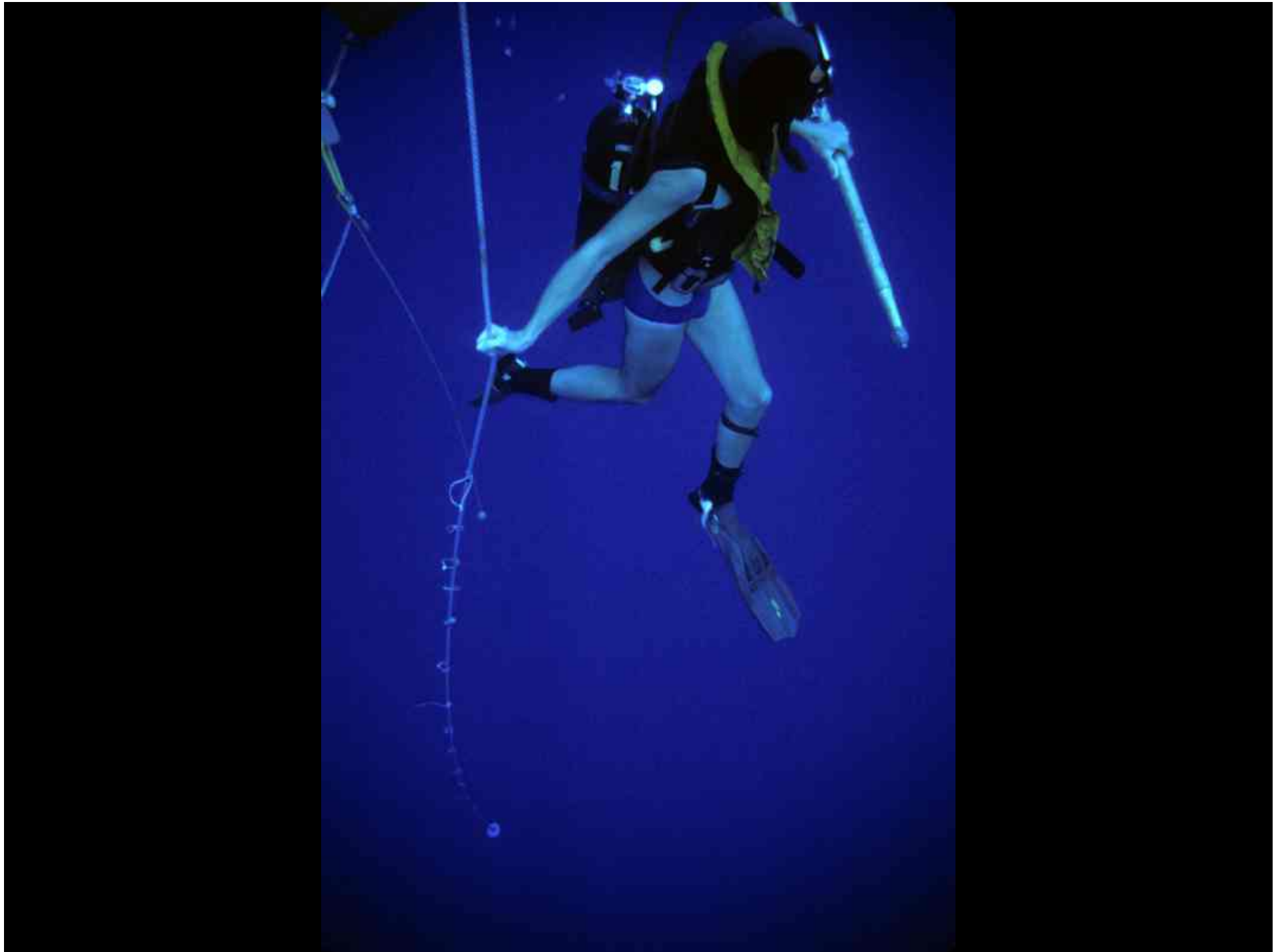
























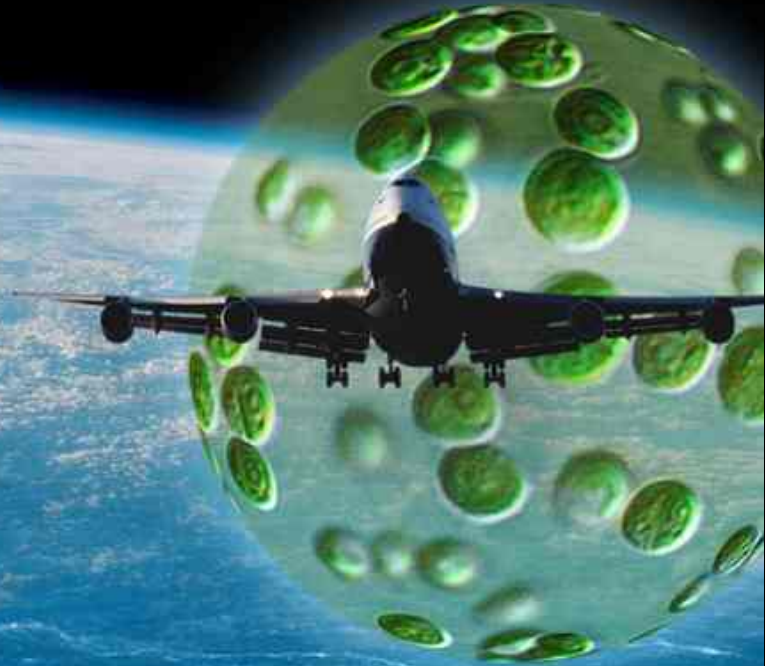
**Harvest  
wild algae?**

**Concentration?**


**Spatially/temporally dispersed?**

**Species composition?**

***What about growing algae  
in the ocean?***





An aerial photograph of a vast, blue ocean. The water is a deep, vibrant blue, with a white wake from a boat visible in the lower right corner. The horizon is a straight line in the distance under a clear sky.

***O* ffshore**  
***M* embrane**  
***E* nclosures for**  
***G* rowing**  
***A* lgae**



# OMEGA System

**Ocean**  
(3.5% salt)

**Biofuels  
Fertilizer  
Biochar etc.**

**Nutrients  
(NPK)**

**Water**

**FORWARD OSMOSIS**

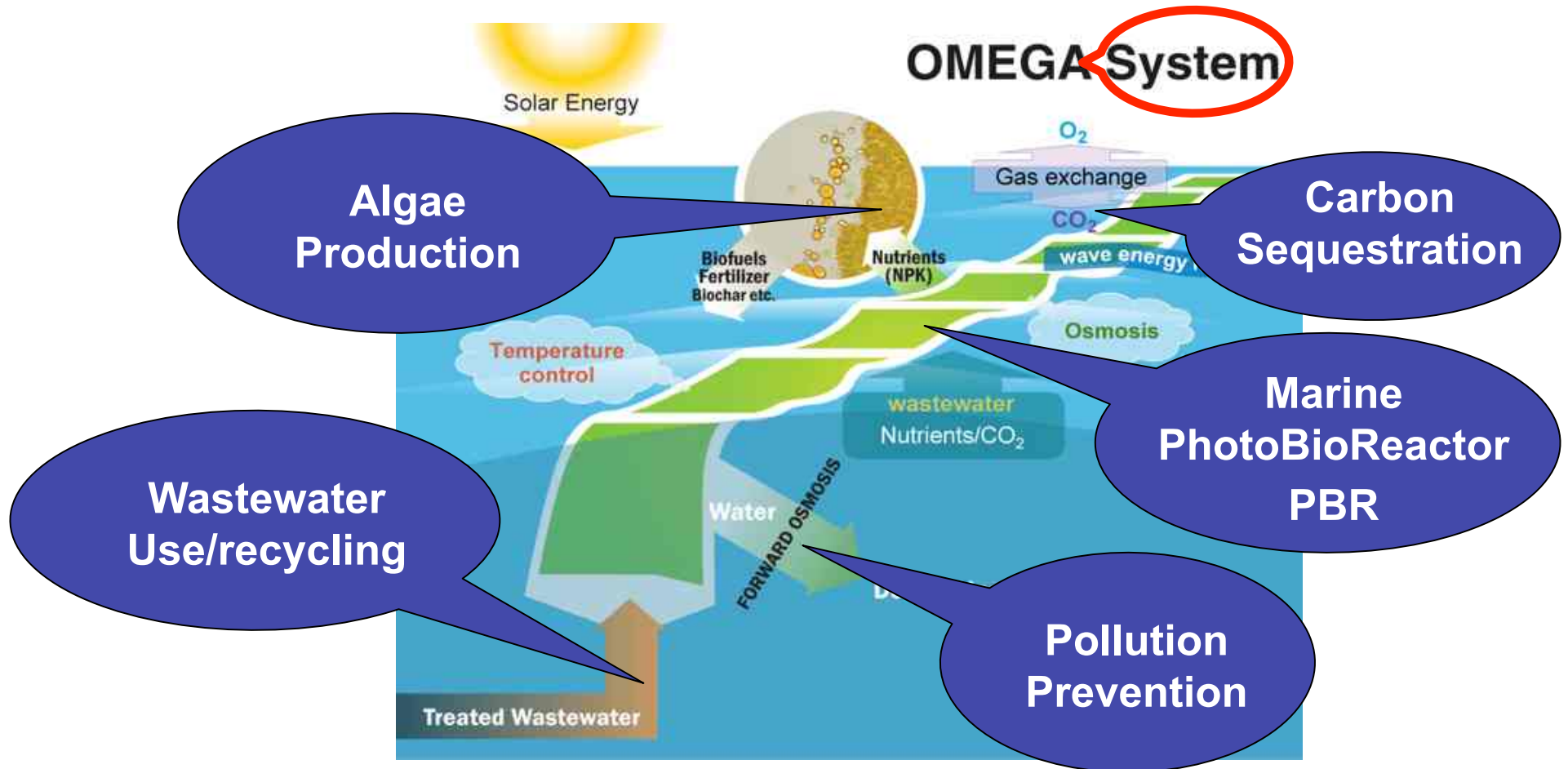
**Dewatering**

**Treated Wastewater**

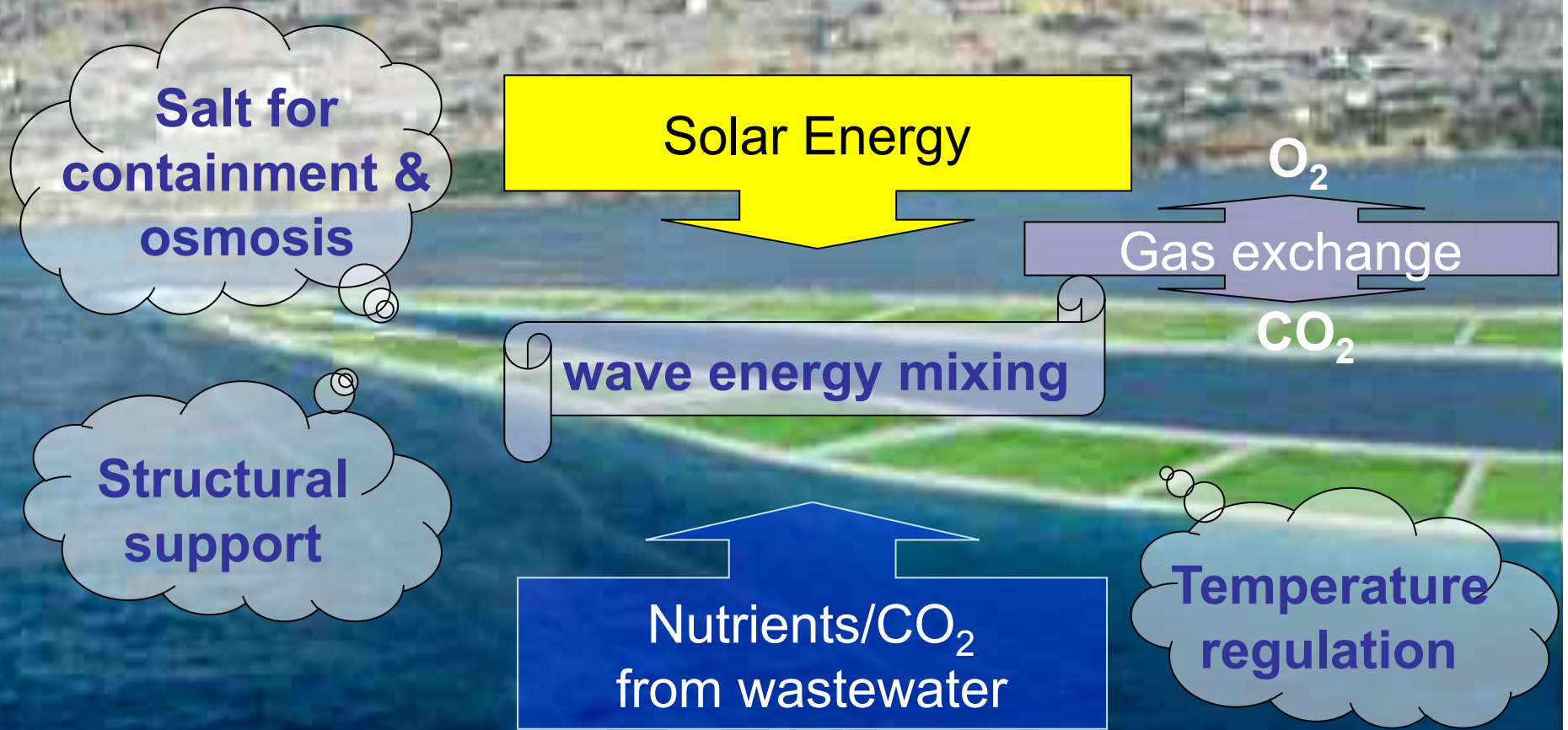


# What is OMEGA?

## *Offshore Membrane Enclosures for Growing Algae*



# OMEGA





# OMEGA Benefits?

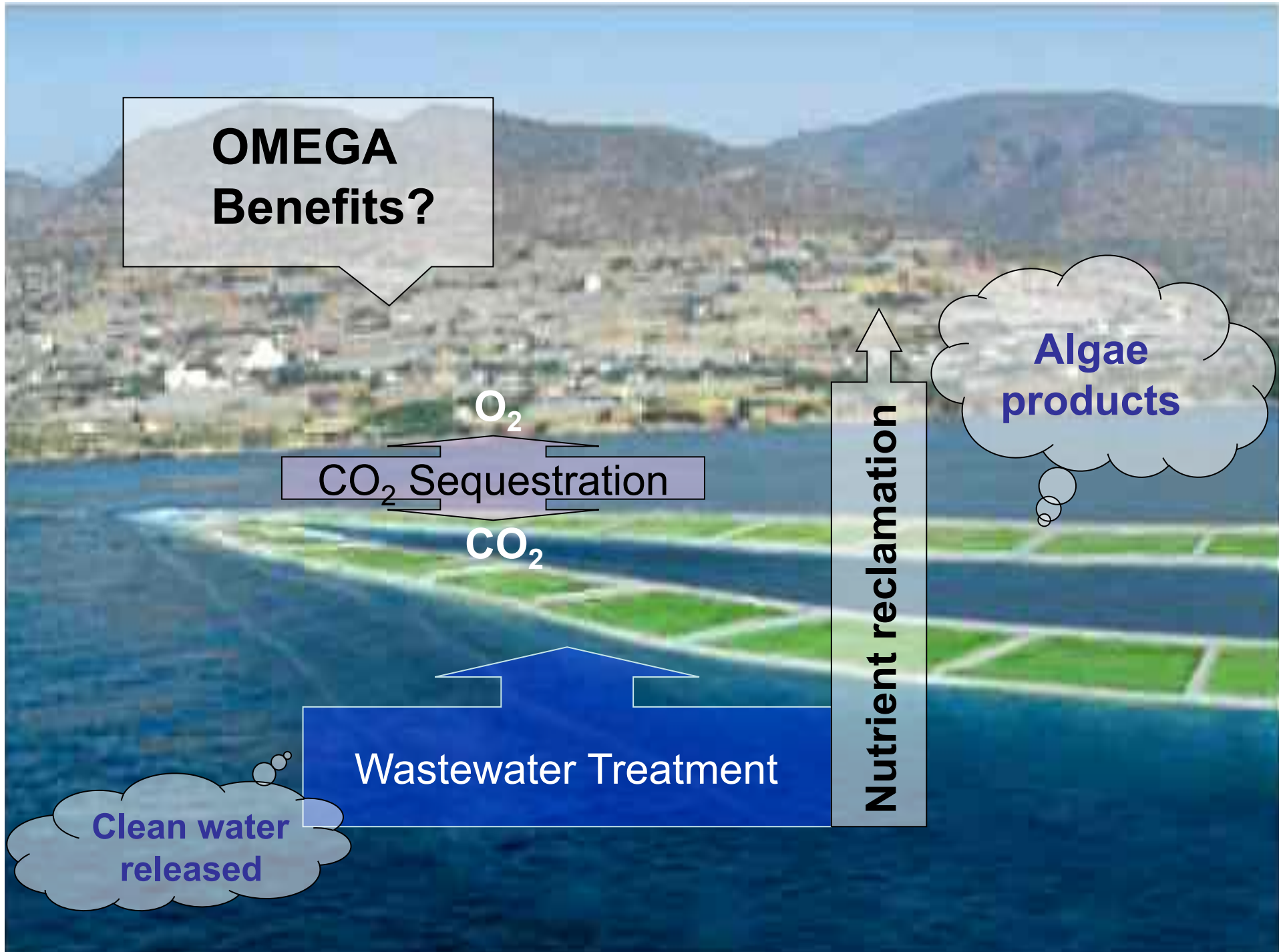
$O_2$   
CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration  
CO<sub>2</sub>

Wastewater Treatment

Nutrient reclamation

Algae products

Clean water released





**PhotoBioReactor (PBR)**

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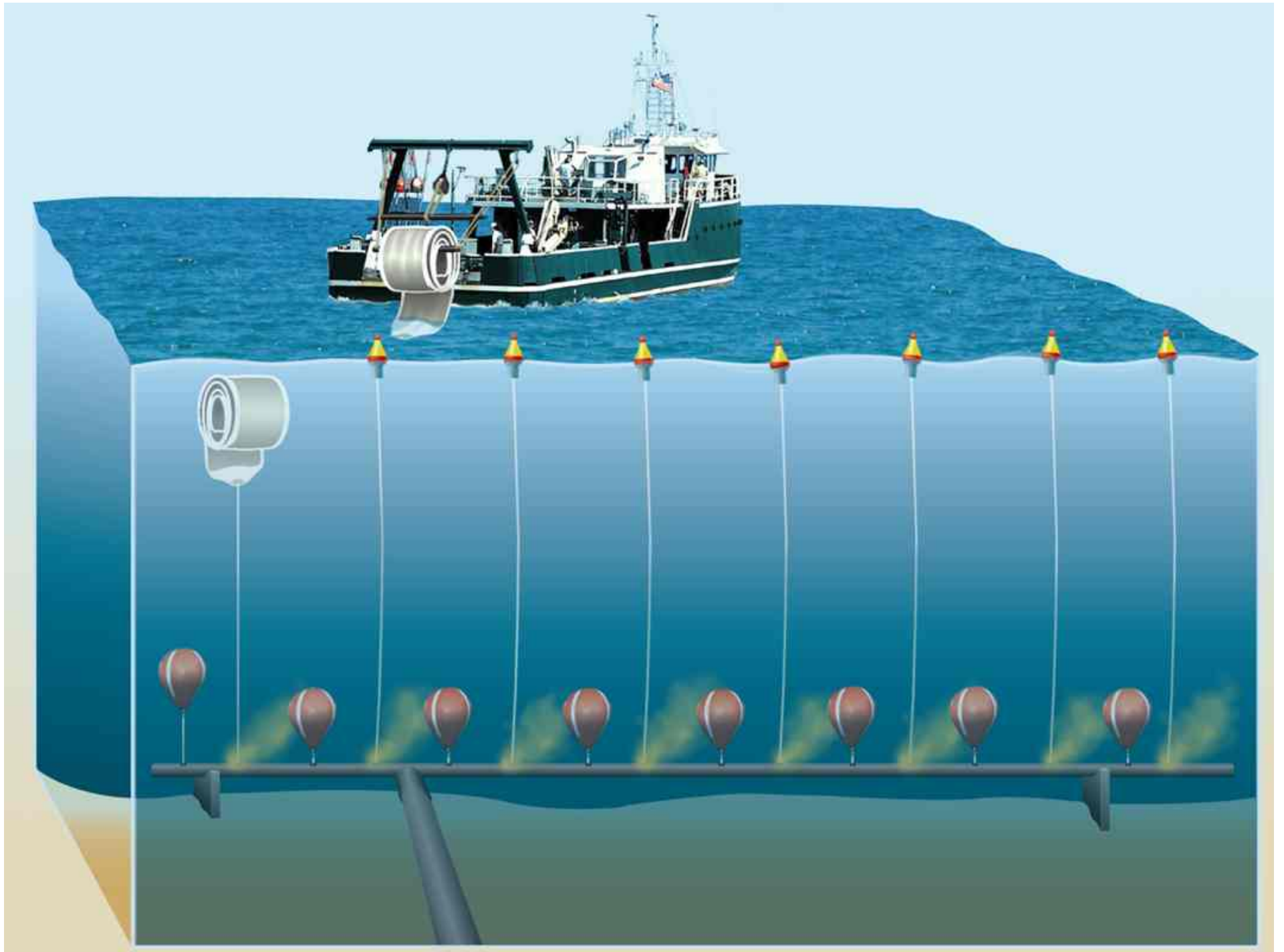
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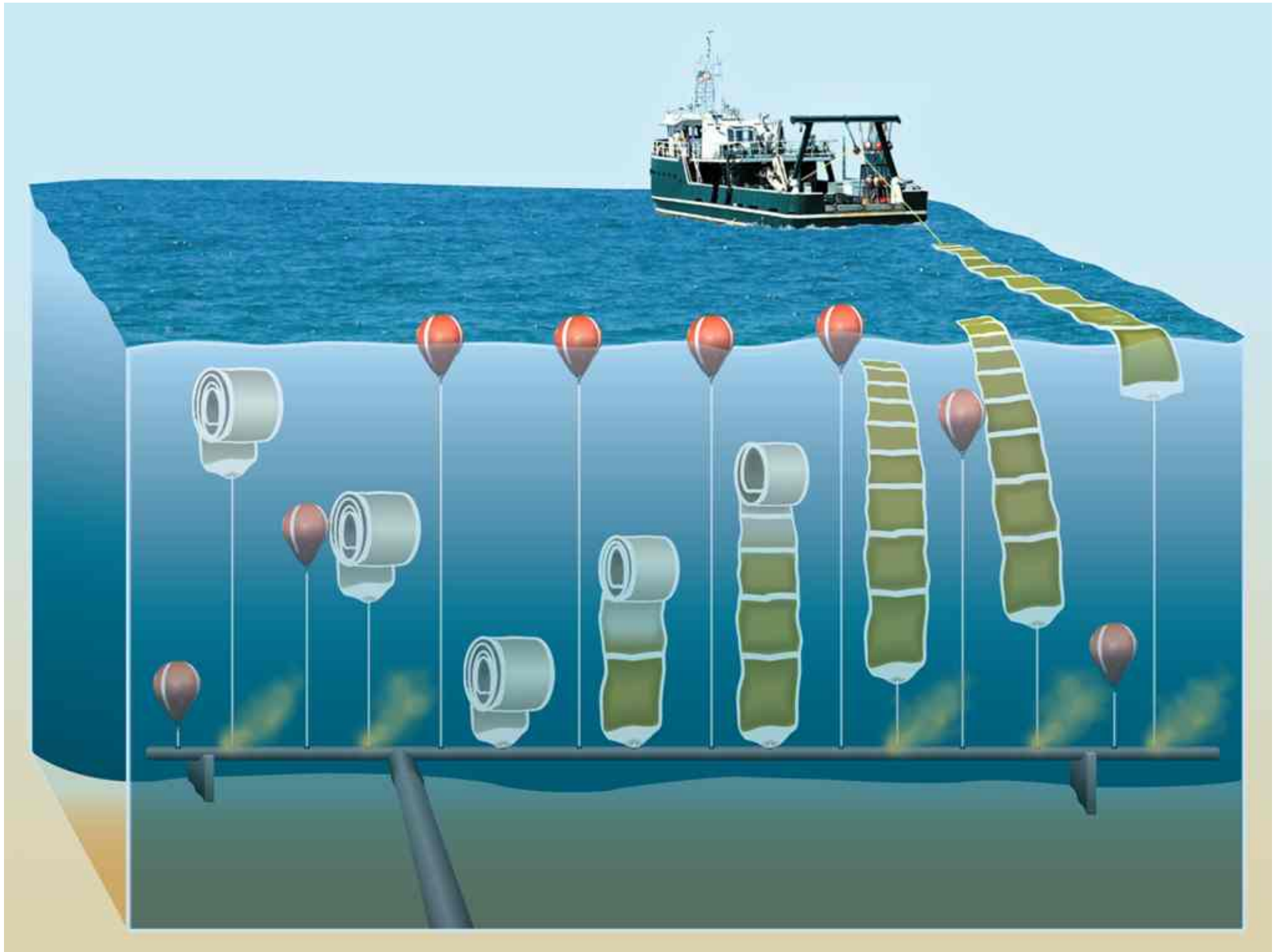
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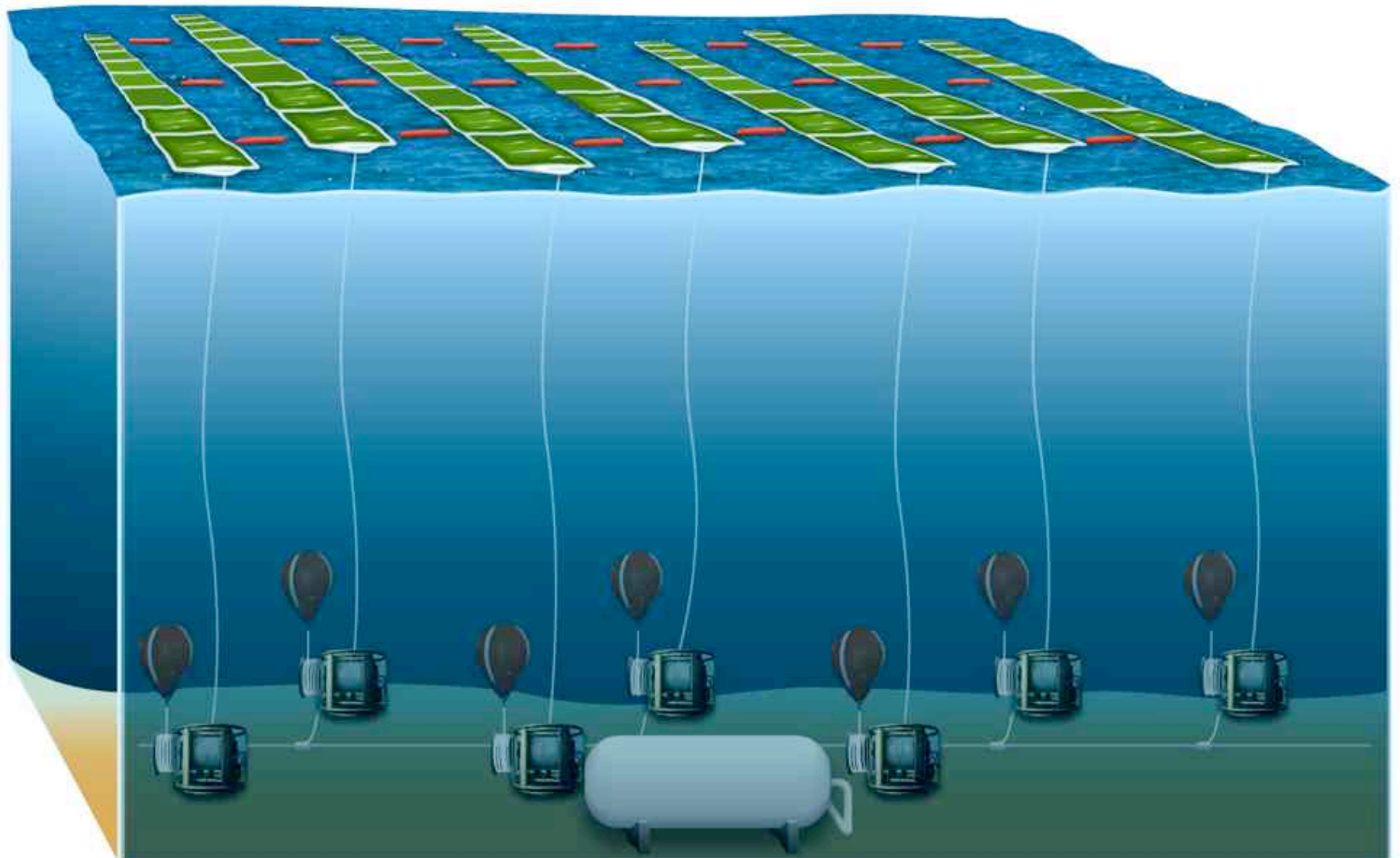
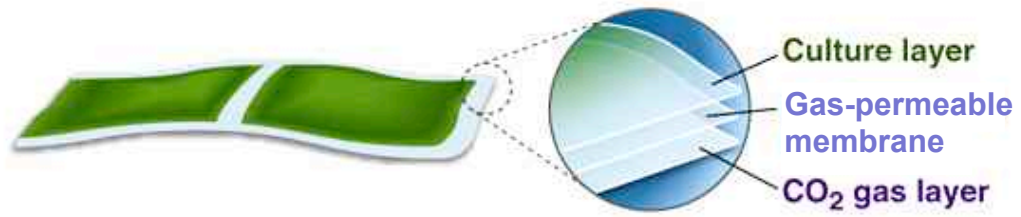


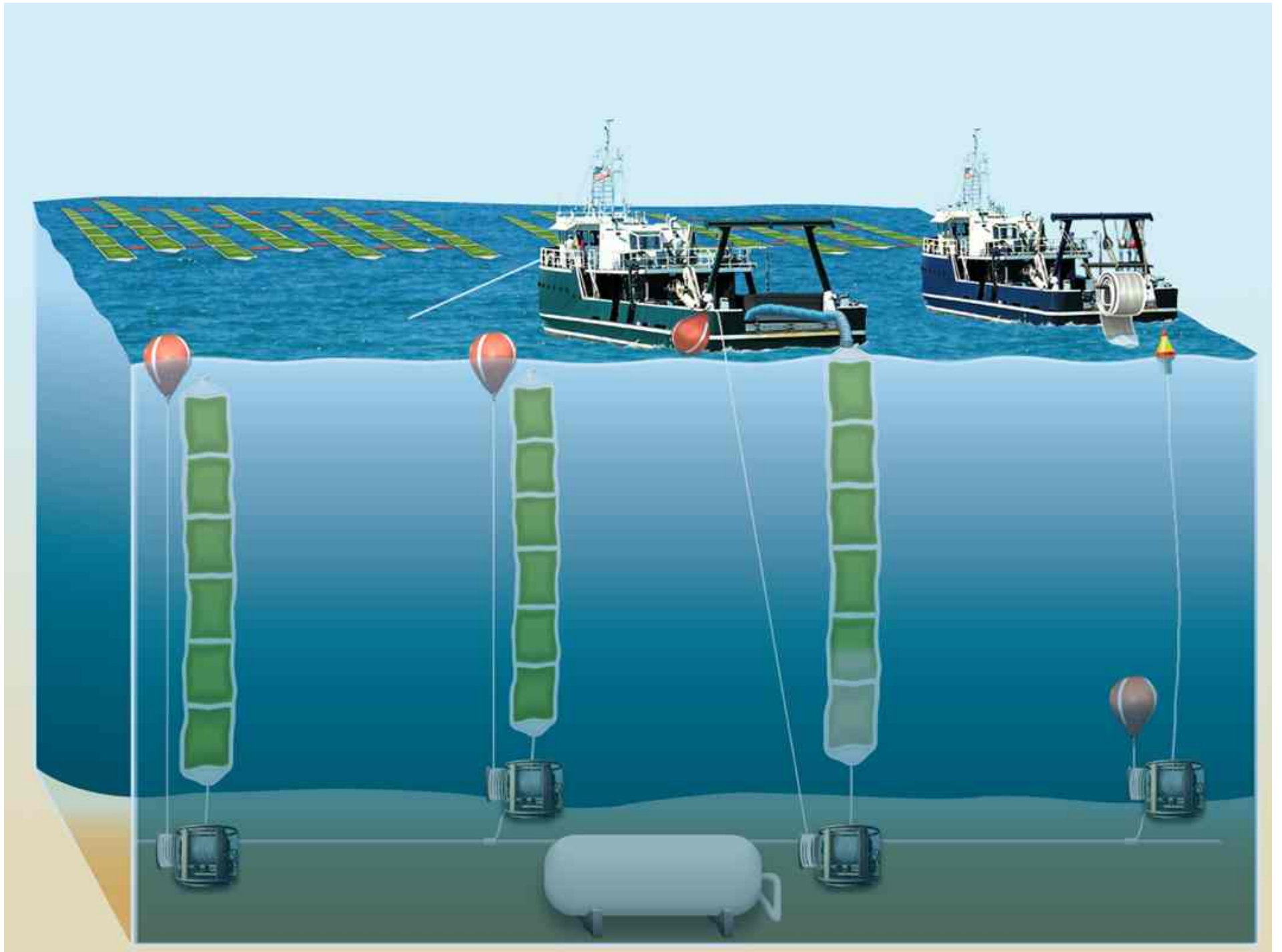




















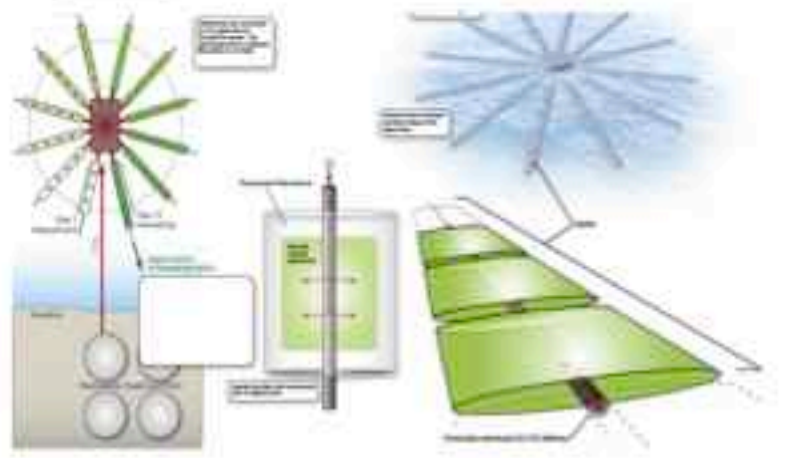
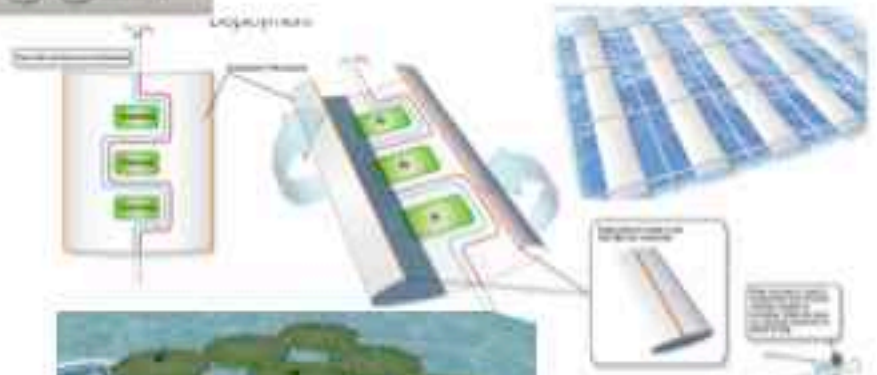
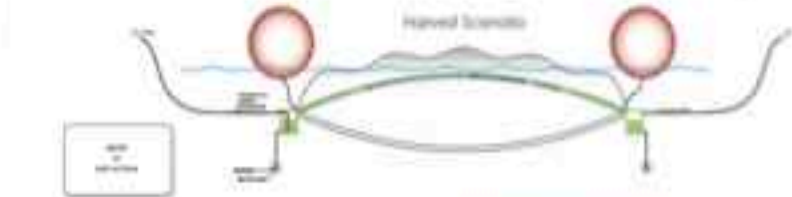
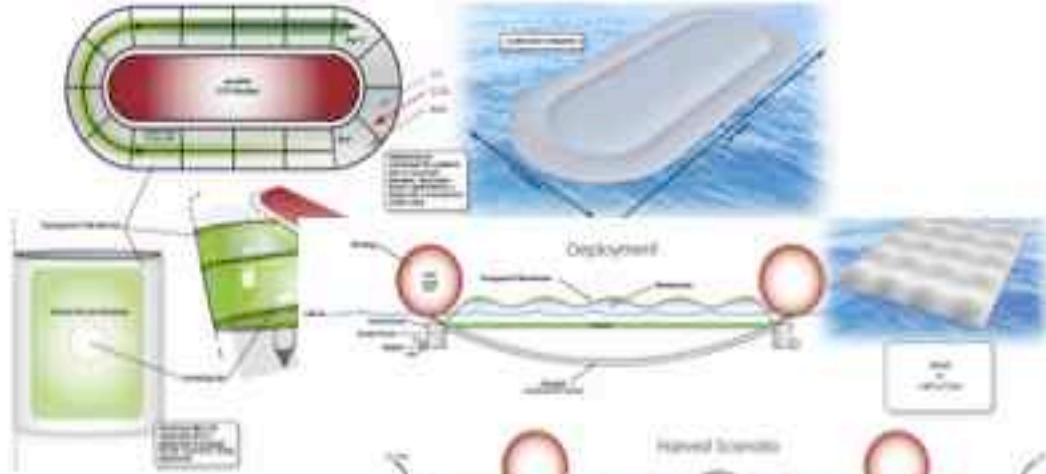
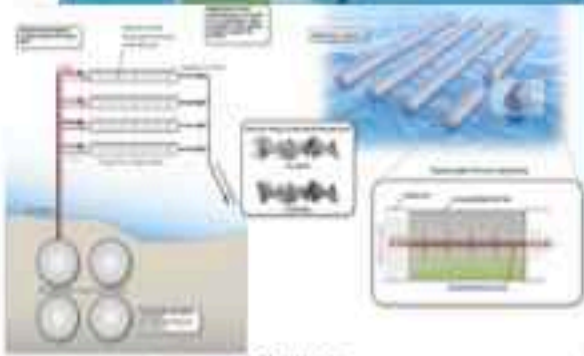




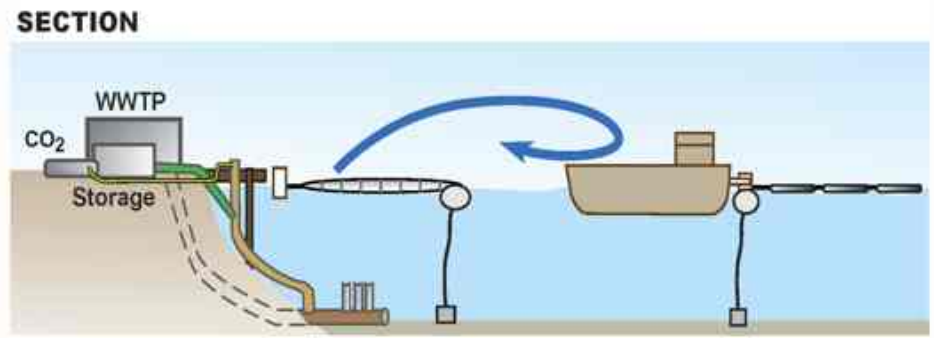
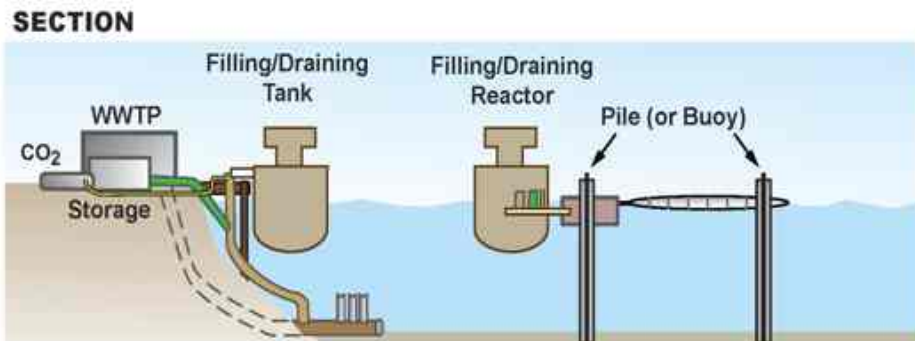
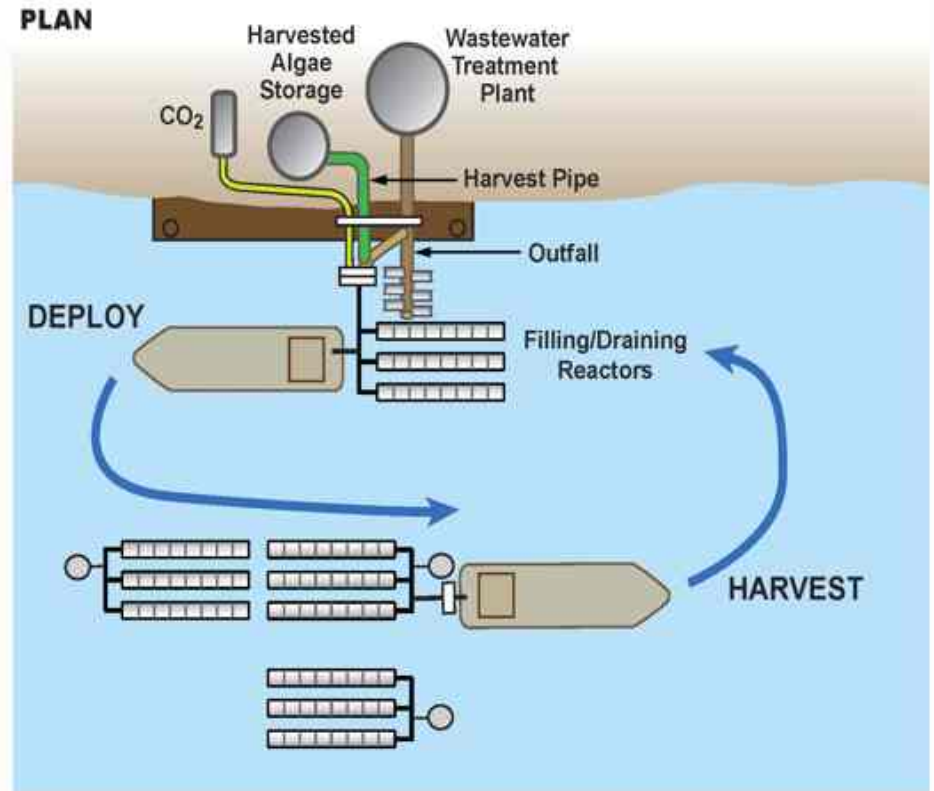
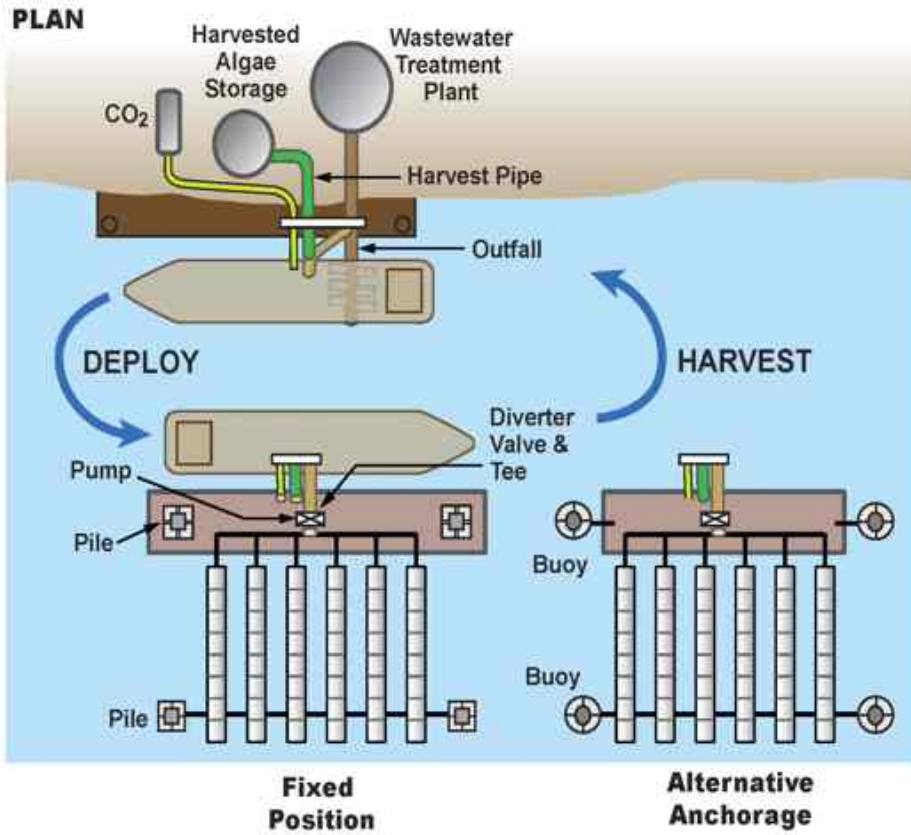


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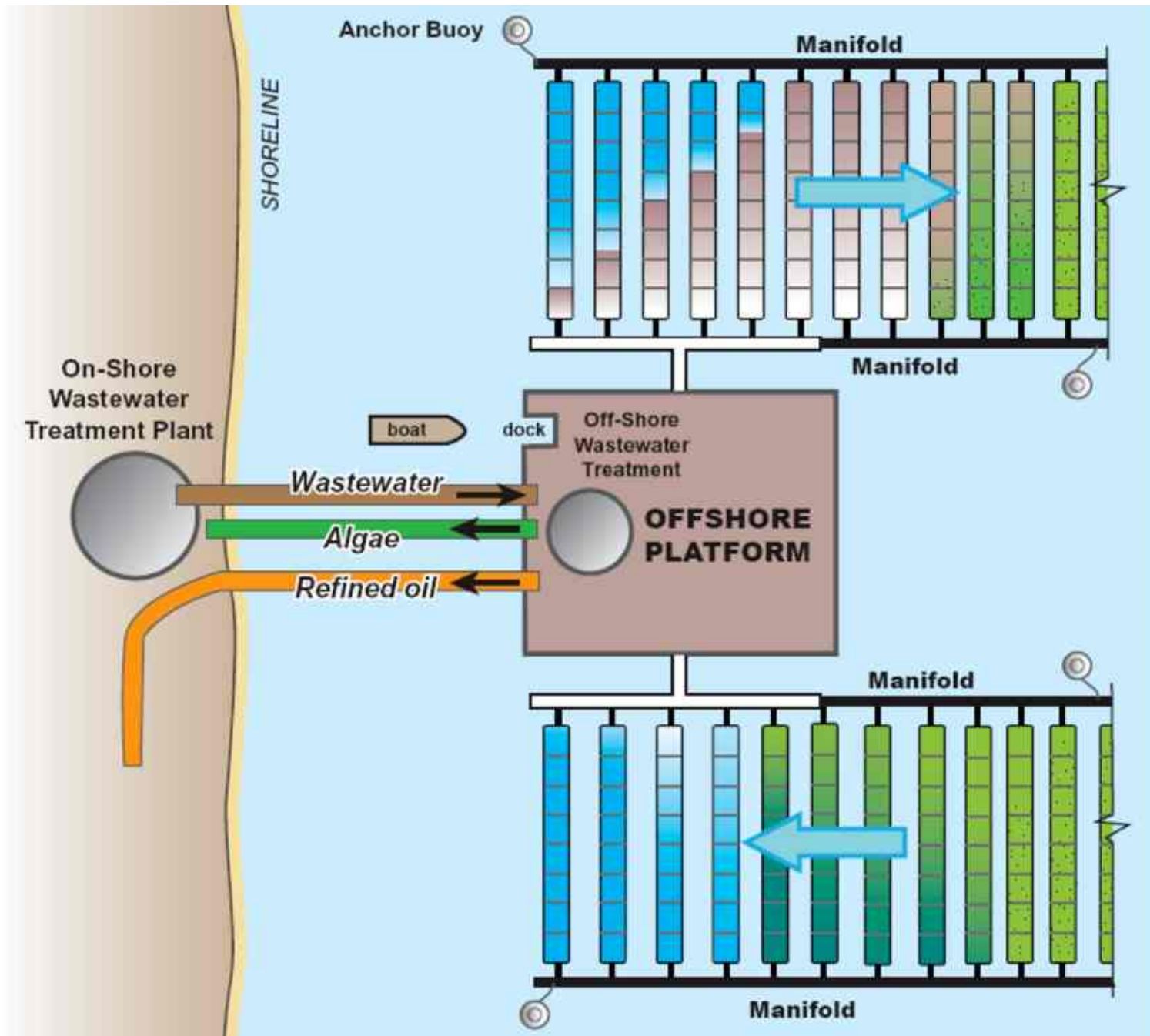
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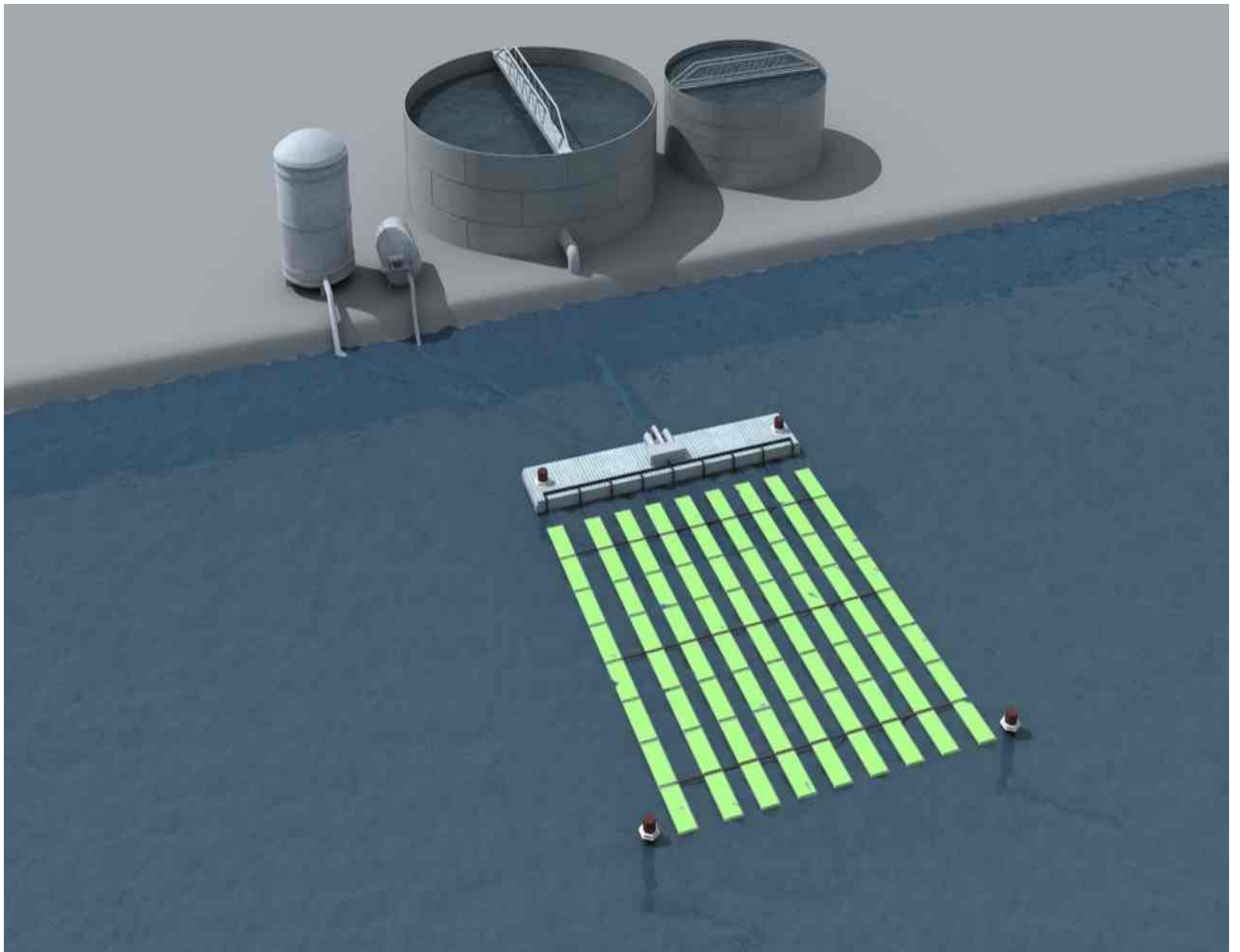


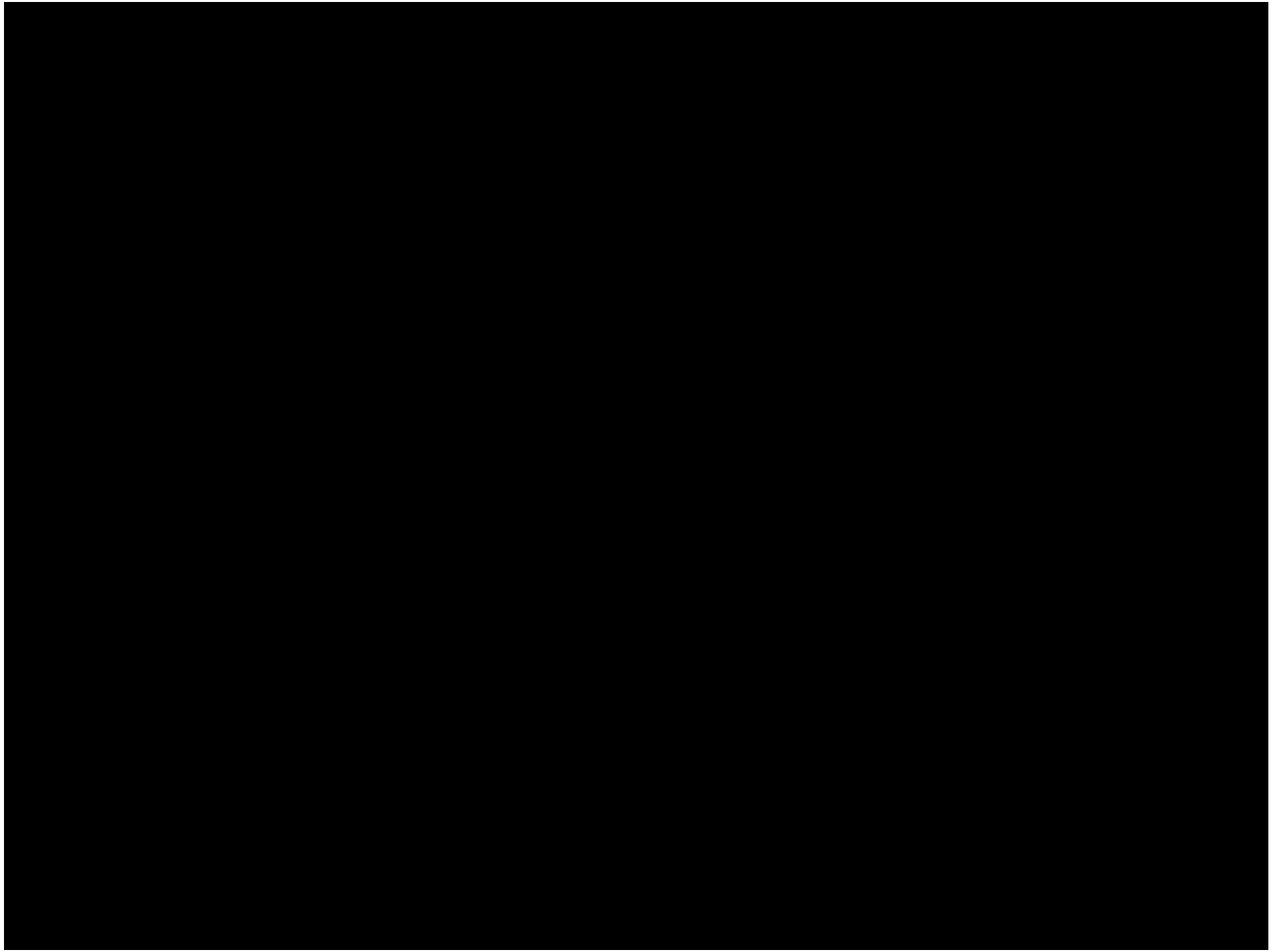
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**How realistic is OMEGA?**





# Challenges for OMEGA

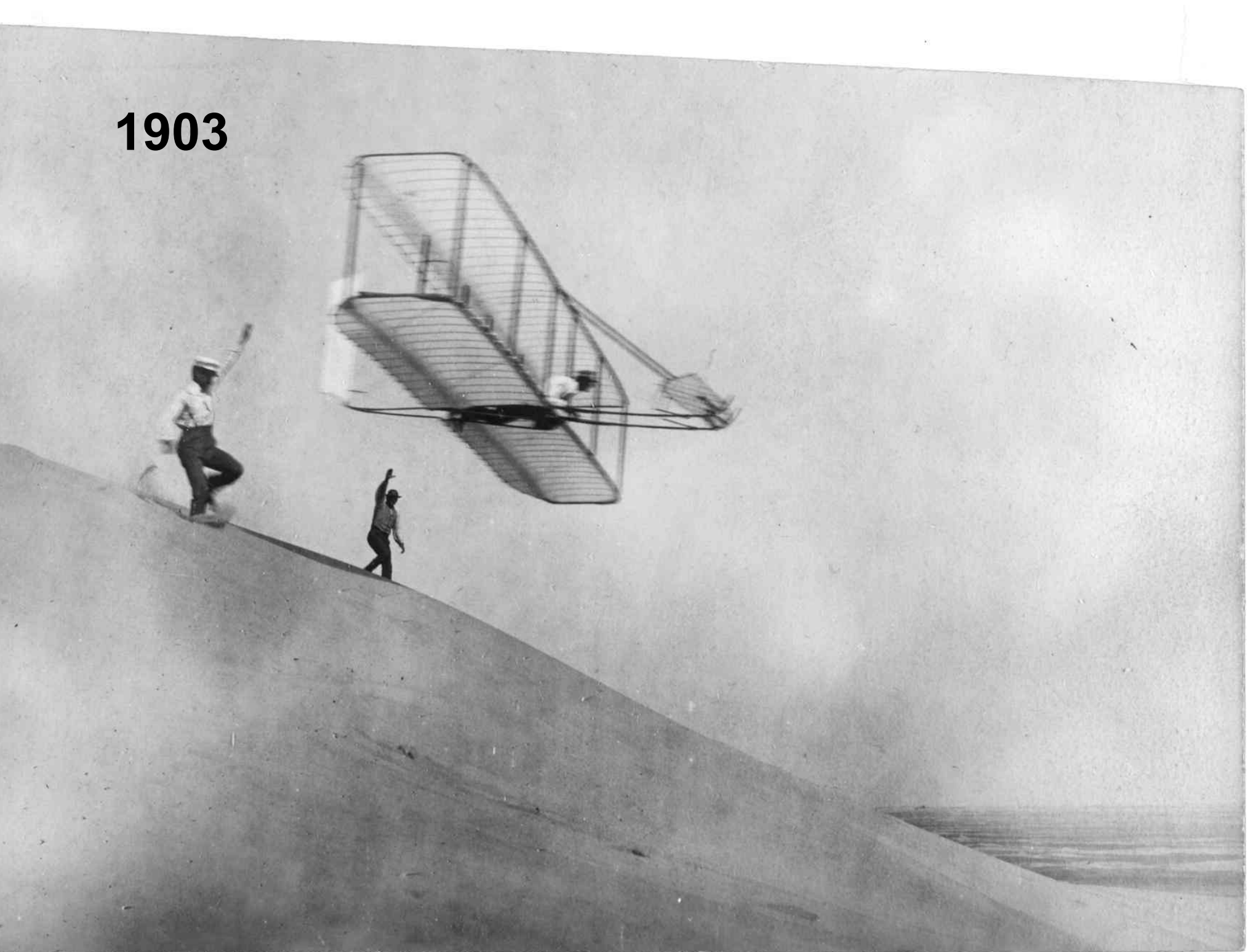
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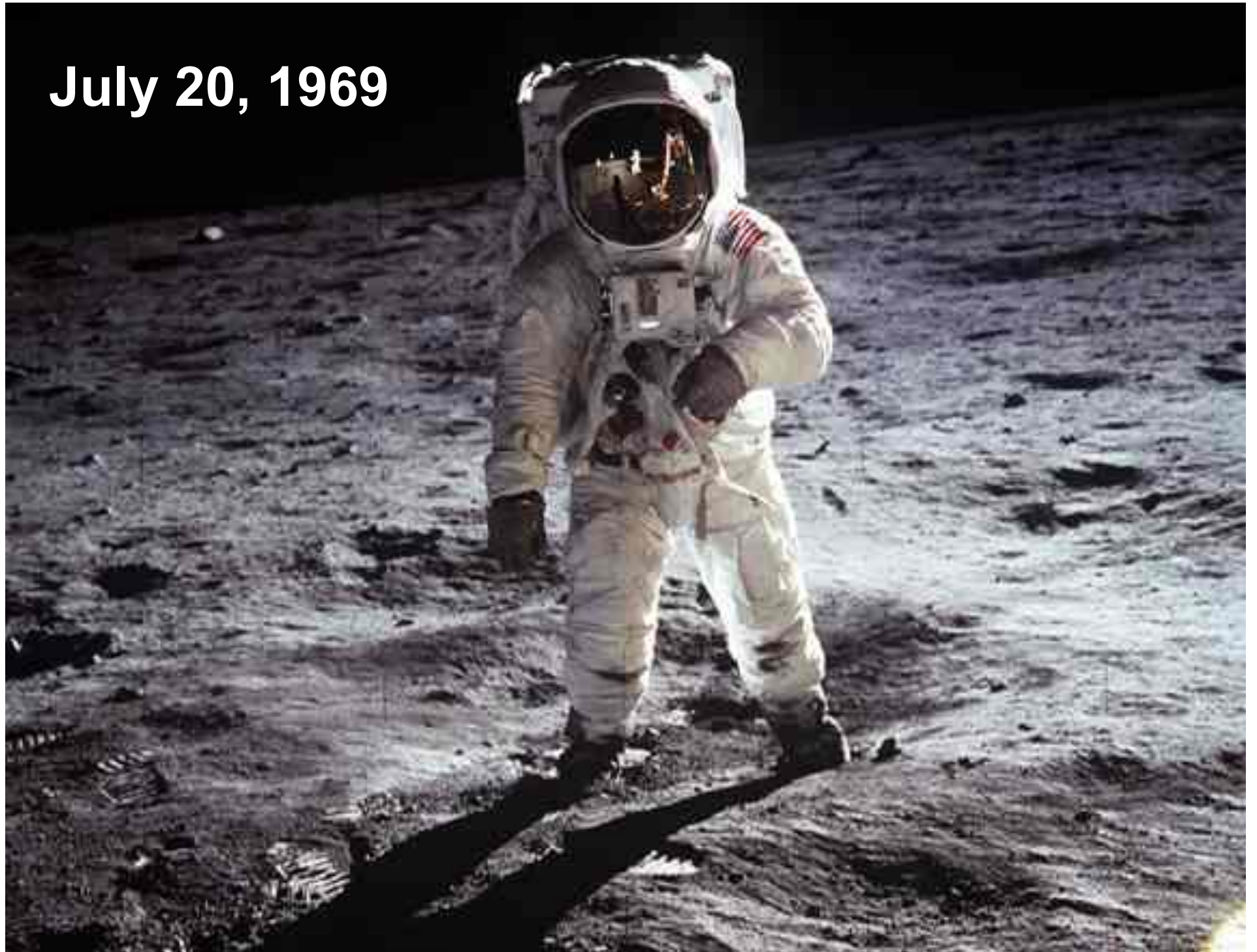




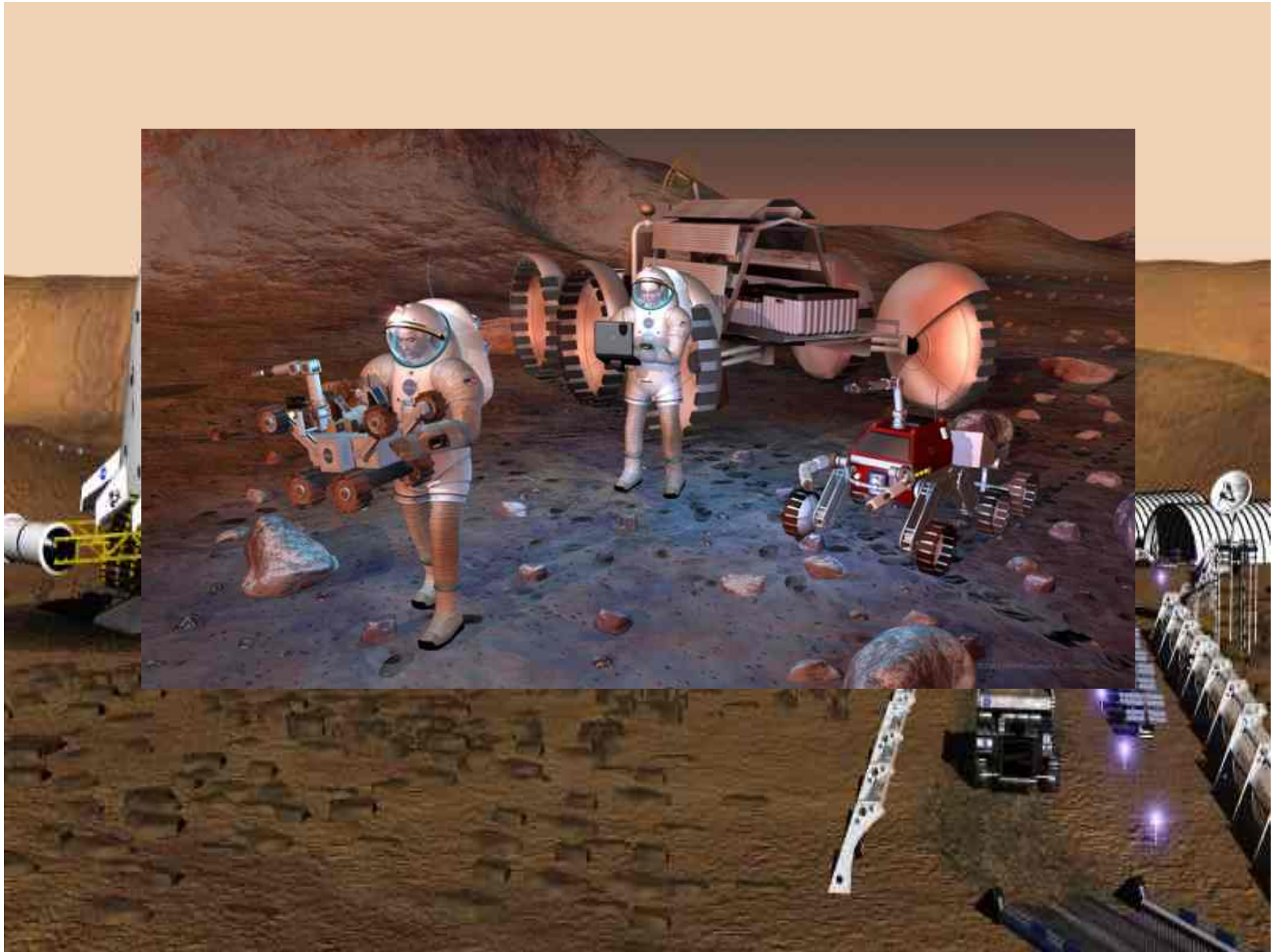
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**July 20, 1969**













**Sustainability?**

**P**opulation

**A**ffluence

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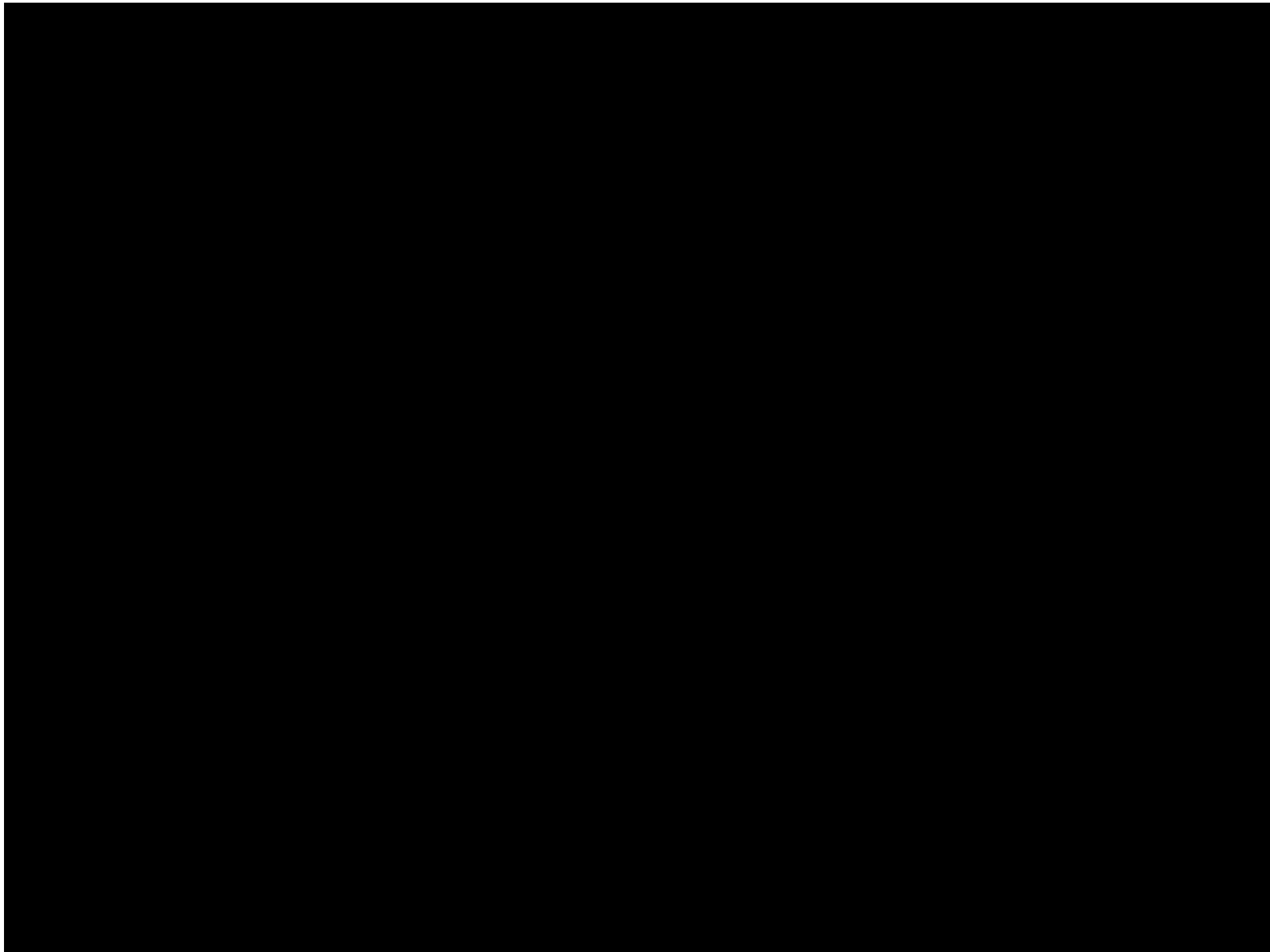
**Our Future?**



**The stone age didn't end  
because we ran out of stones... Yamani**

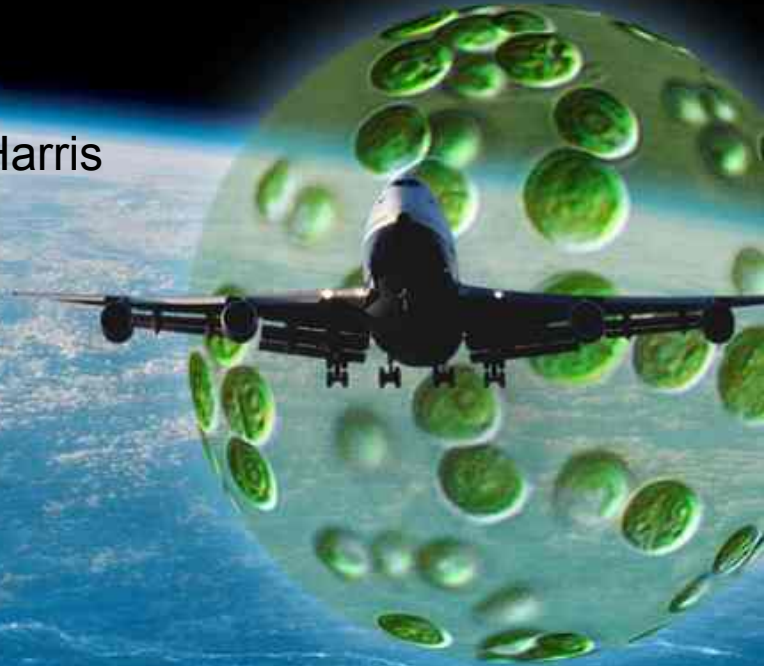
**There is no limit to what you can accomplish  
If you don't care who gets the credit... Truman**



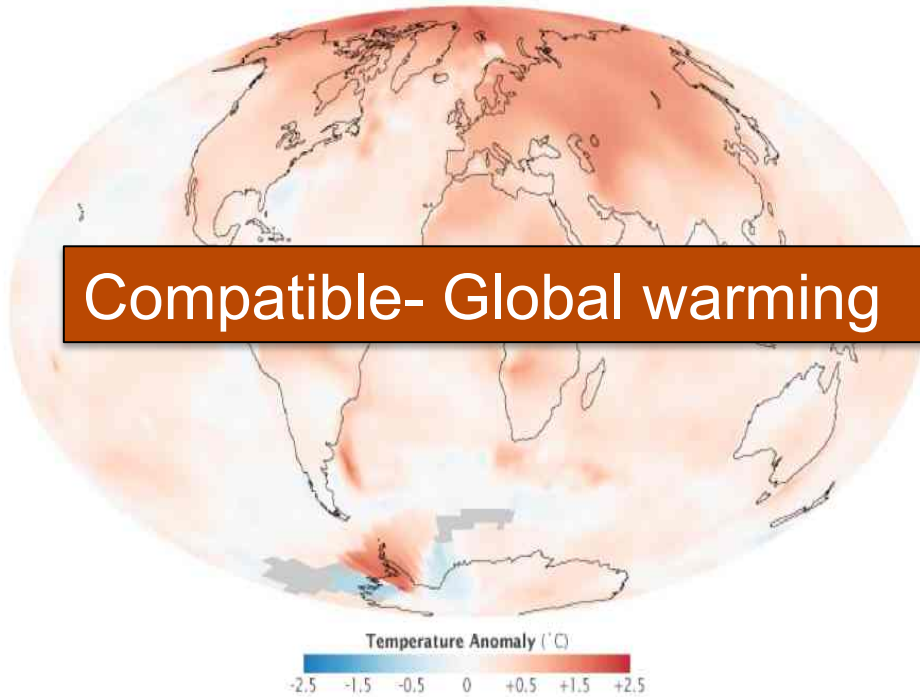


*“...what we really want is for things to stay the same...  
but get better.”*

Sydney J. Harris

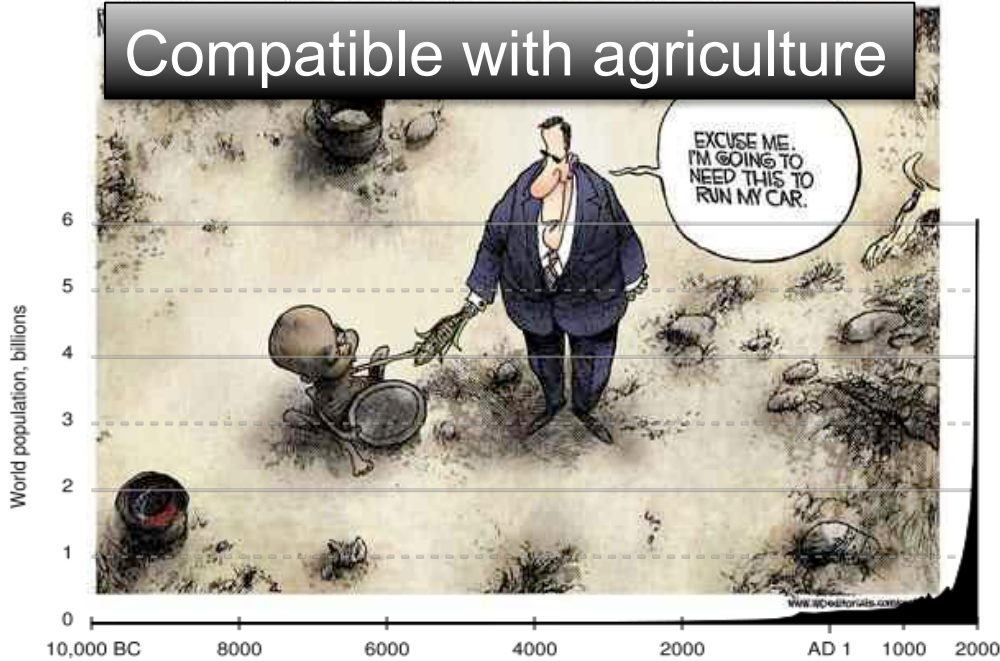






Compatible- Global warming

Compatible with agriculture



Drop-in fuel



An aerial photograph of a vast, rugged mountain range. The terrain is characterized by numerous sharp peaks and deep, winding valleys. The mountains are covered in a mix of green vegetation and patches of snow or light-colored rock. The overall scene conveys a sense of immense scale and natural complexity.

**Are we up to the engineering challenge?**







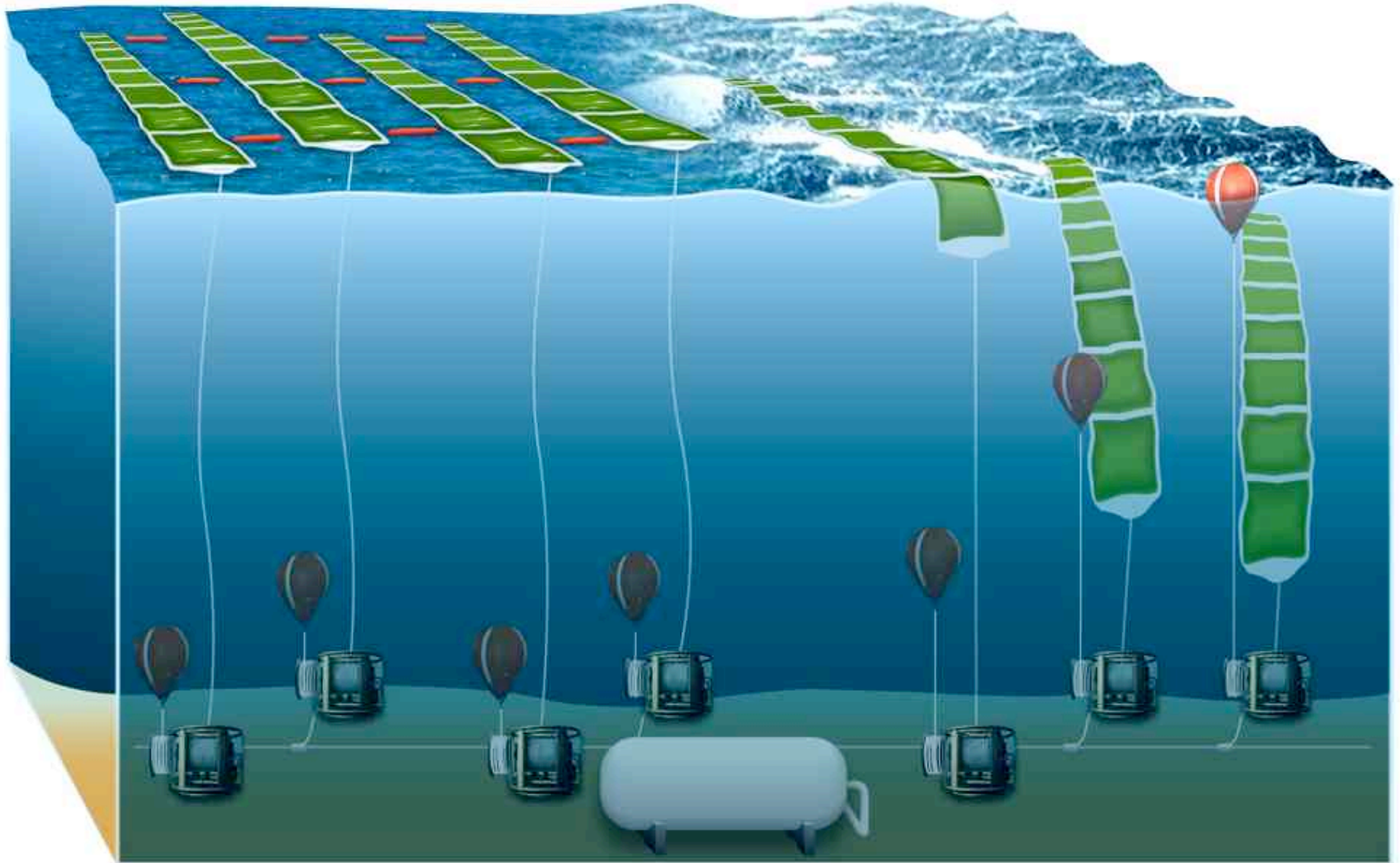
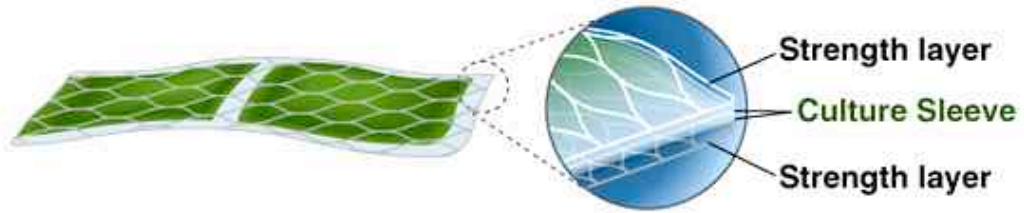
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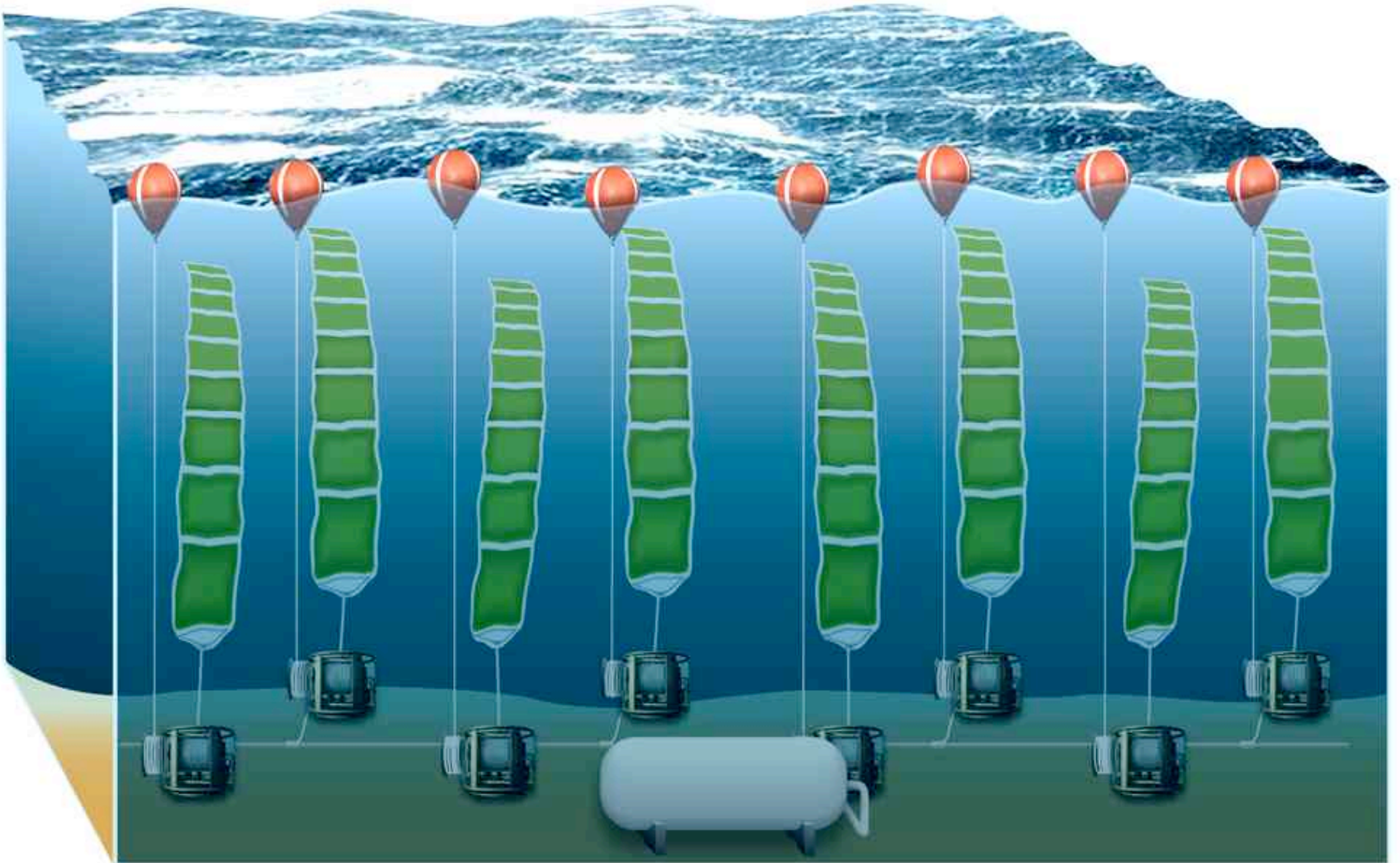


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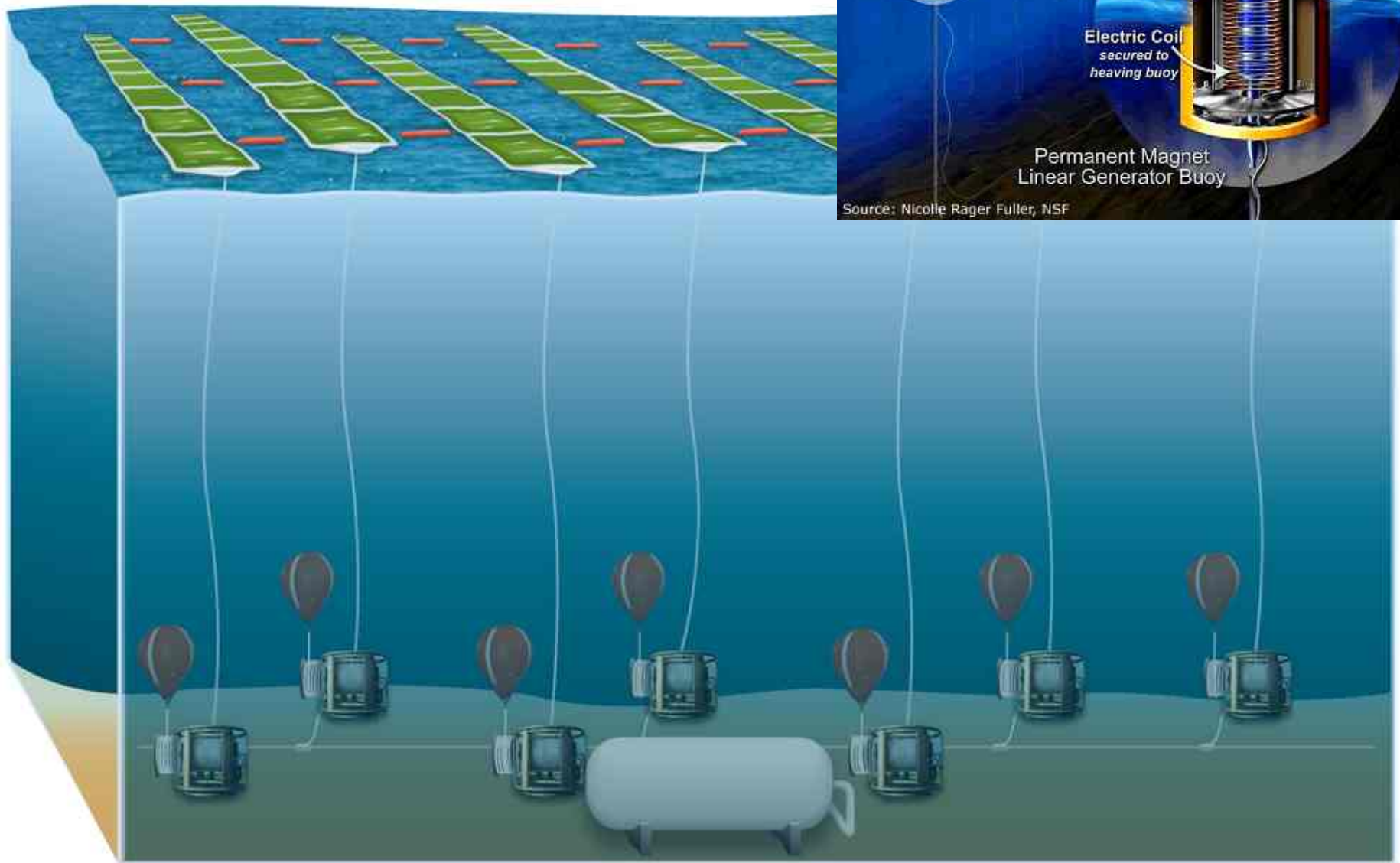
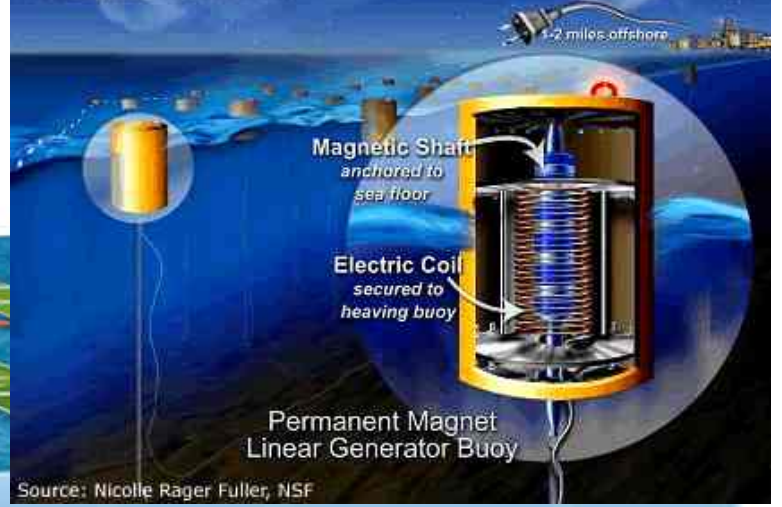




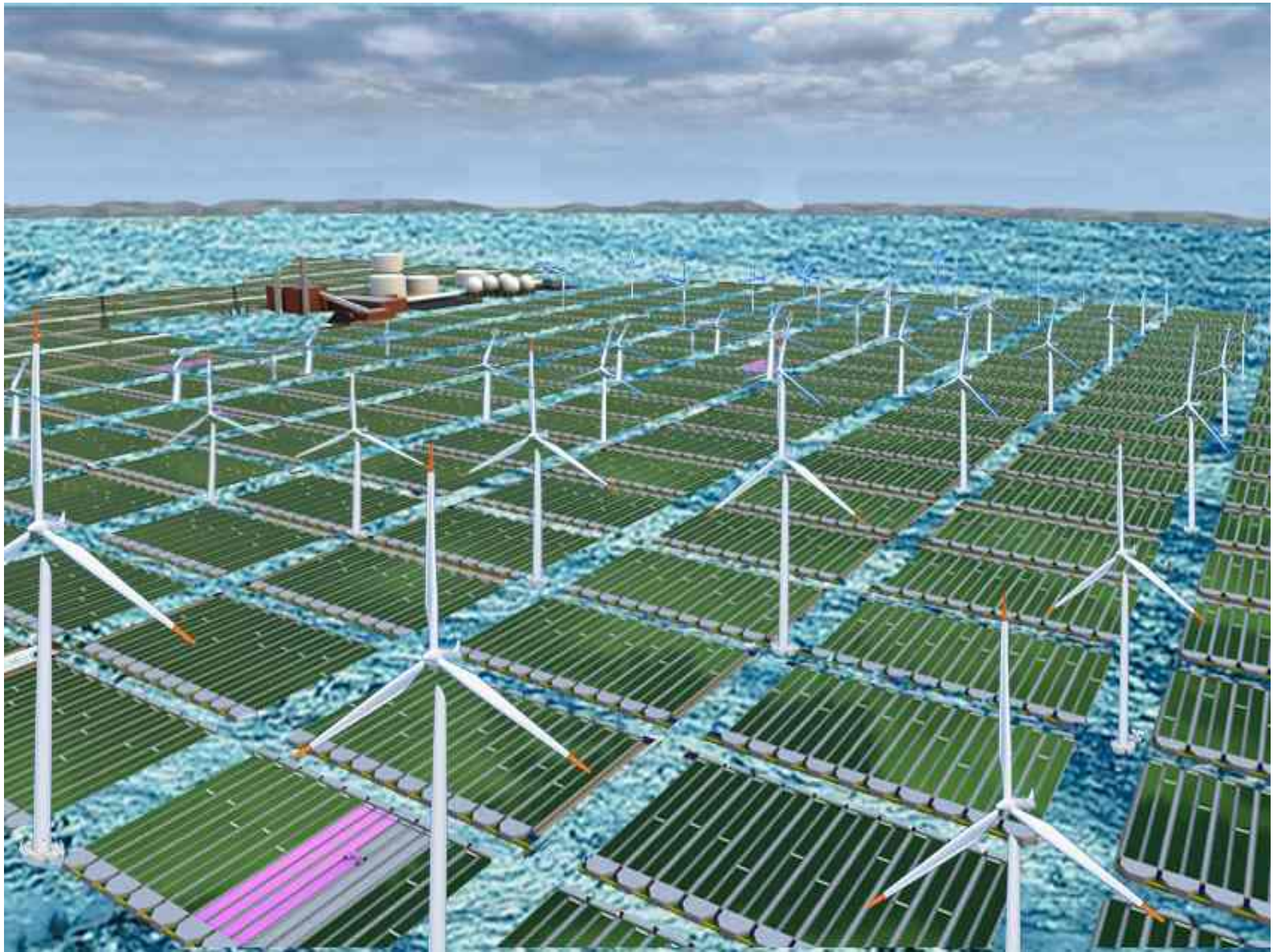




Oregon State University  
Conceptual Wave Park

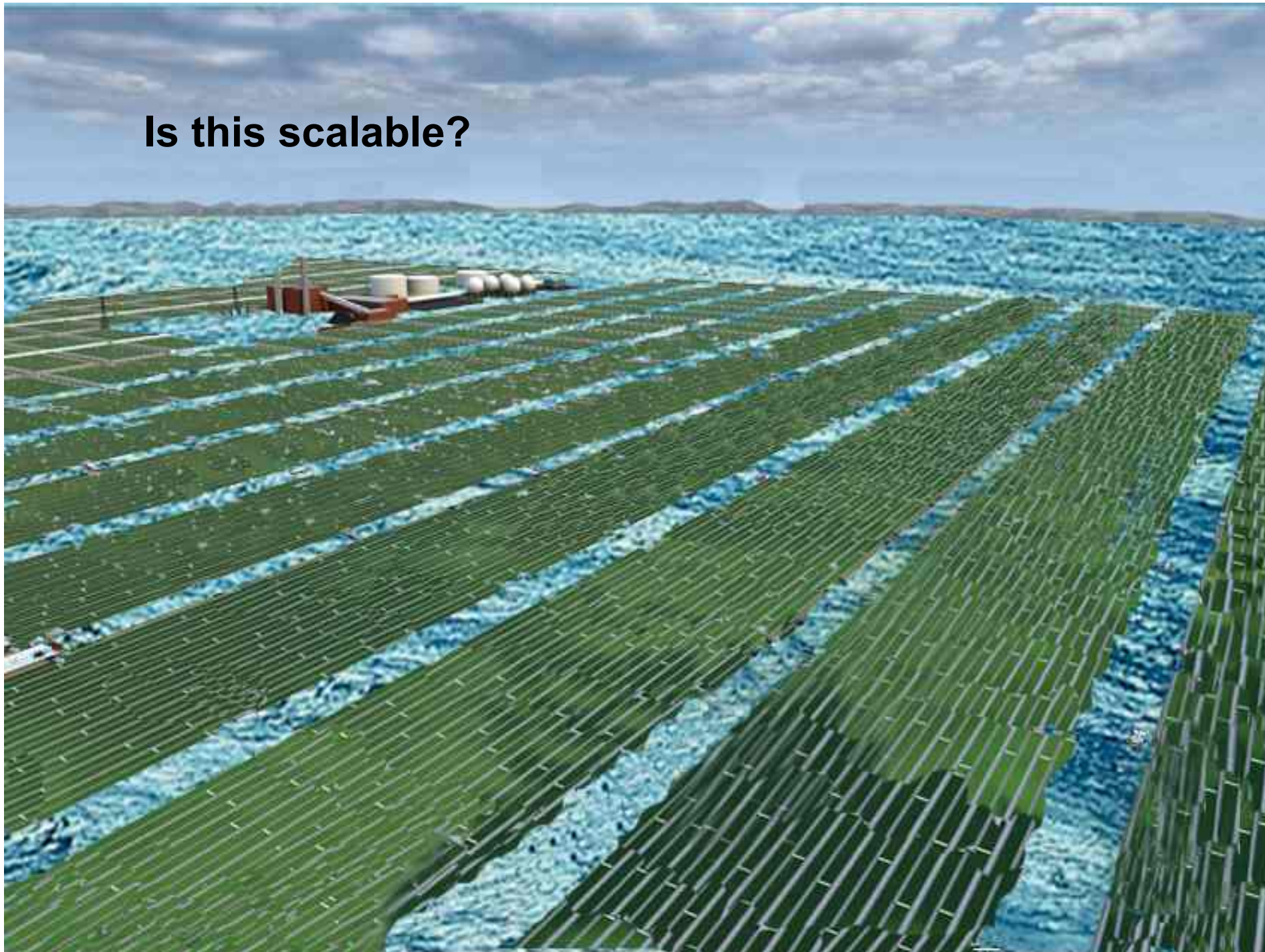








**Is this scalable?**















*Jan Parker 2006*

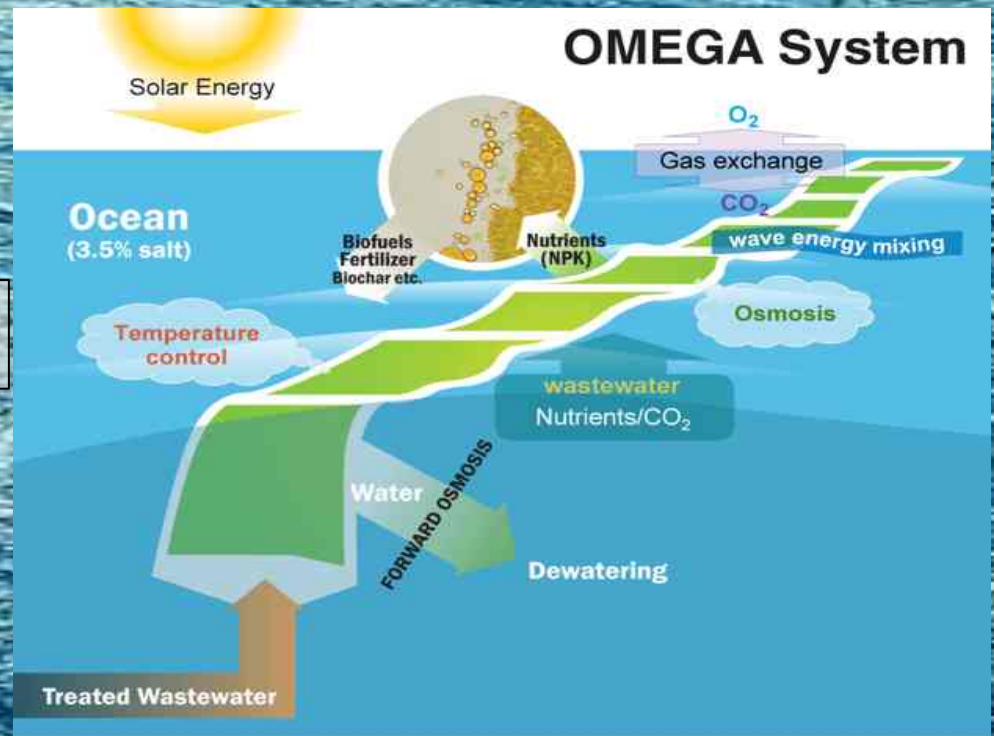




# NASA OMEGA

## Demonstration Project

### Ecology of Technology







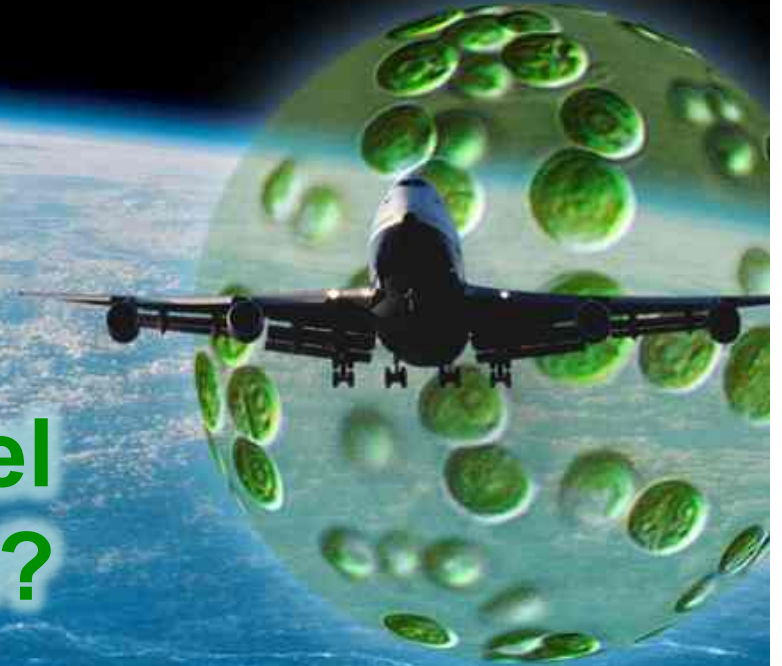
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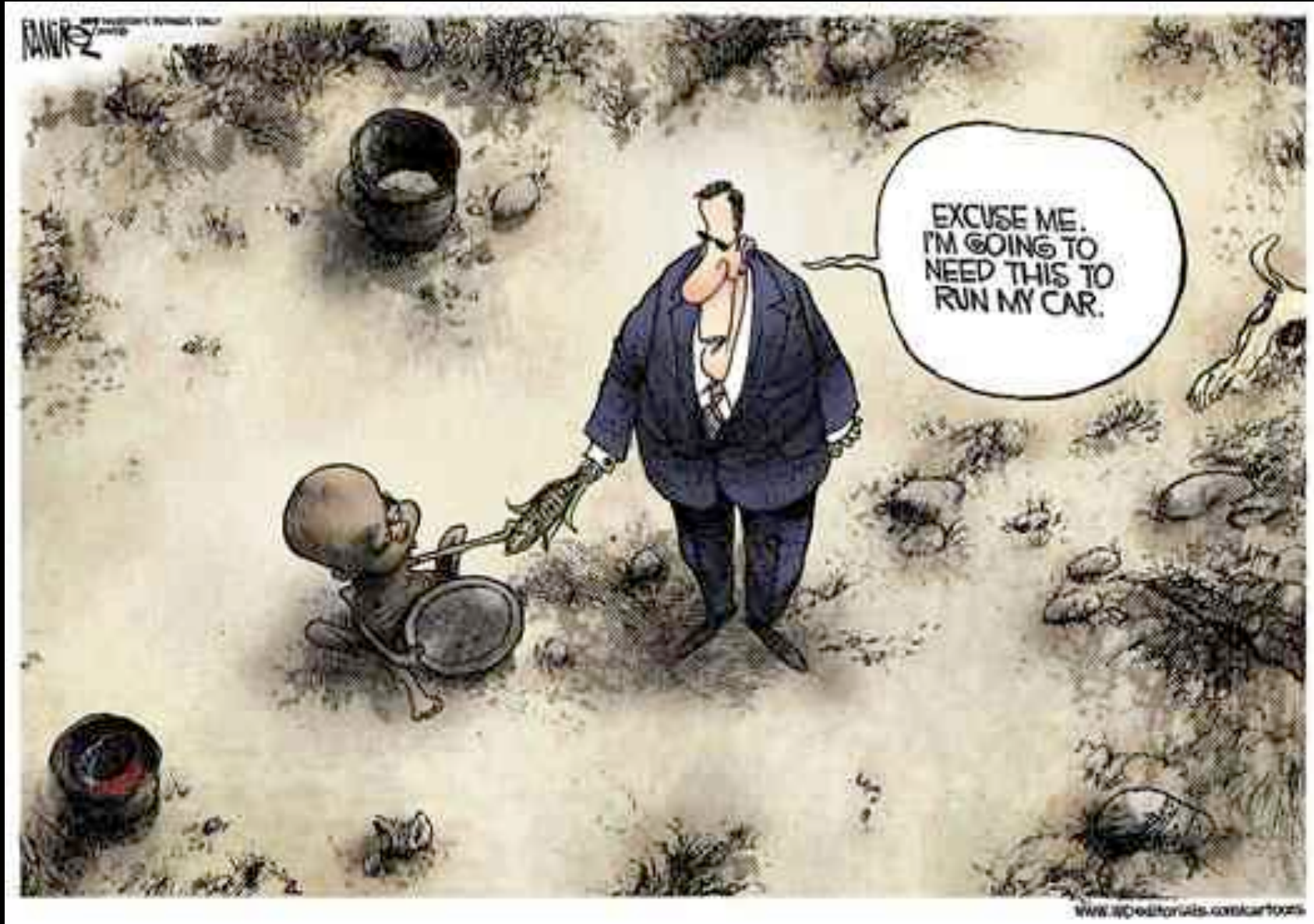
- OMEGA MOVIE

**A challenge and a call to action...**

**OMEGA for the fuel  
of the future?**







**Failure is not an option...**

# There are challenges growing algae on land...

1: Open circulating ponds  
(raceways)



2: Closed photobioreactors  
(PBRs)



## Sources of biodiesel...

	<b>Wood Residue</b>	<b>Soybeans</b>	<b>Rapeseed, Canola</b>	<b>Algae</b>
<b>Product</b>	Ethanol, biodiesel	biodiesel	biodiesel	biodiesel
<b>GHG output*</b>	N/A	49	37	-183
<b>Water</b>	low	HIGH	HIGH	Low?
<b>Fertilizer</b>	low	low-med	med	Low?
<b>Pesticide</b>	low	med	med	Low?
<b>Energy</b>	low	med-low	med-low	HIGH?
<b>US crop land/ half demand</b>	150 -250%	180-240%	30%	1-2%?

\*CO<sub>2</sub> kg/MJ: Growing, harvesting, refining, burning fuel (cf., Diesel=83)



First flight test with sustainable biofuels for commercial aviation



First sustainable biofuel flight test in Asia

First North American sustainable biofuel flight test



Scheduled 2009



Scheduled 2009

# NASA

## Biofuels fly airplanes...

A microscopic view of green algae cells, showing numerous small, spherical cells and a larger, more complex, multi-layered cell structure. The background is dark, making the green cells stand out.

# ALGAE

## Powering the future of aviation?

Paul Steele Executive Director ATAG



# Algal Biomass Organization

[www.algalbiomass.org](http://www.algalbiomass.org)

## Claim that algae will address:

- **climate change**
- **energy independence**
- **growth of a green economy**





**ABO Platinum Members**



**ABO Corporate Members**

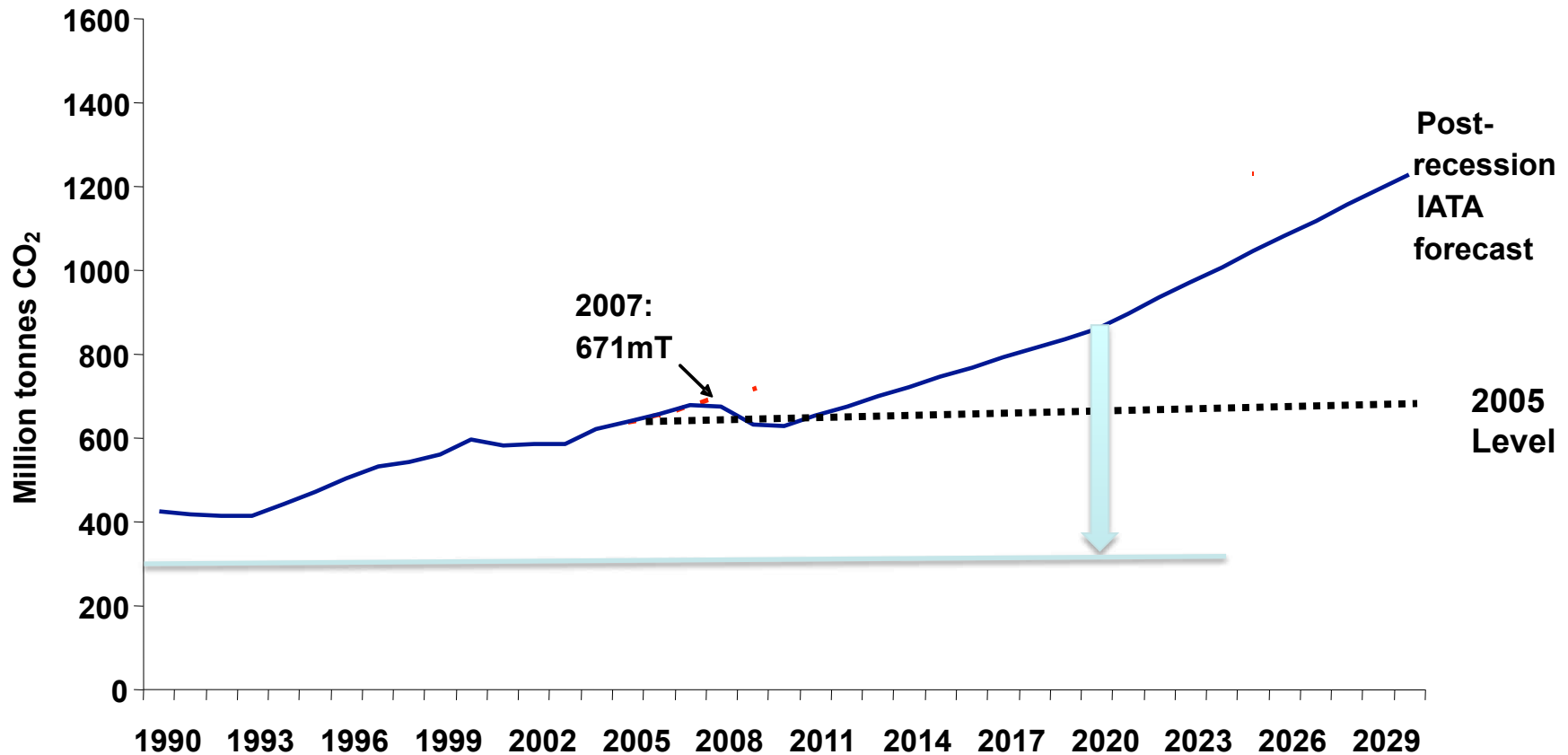


**ABO Supporting Organizations**

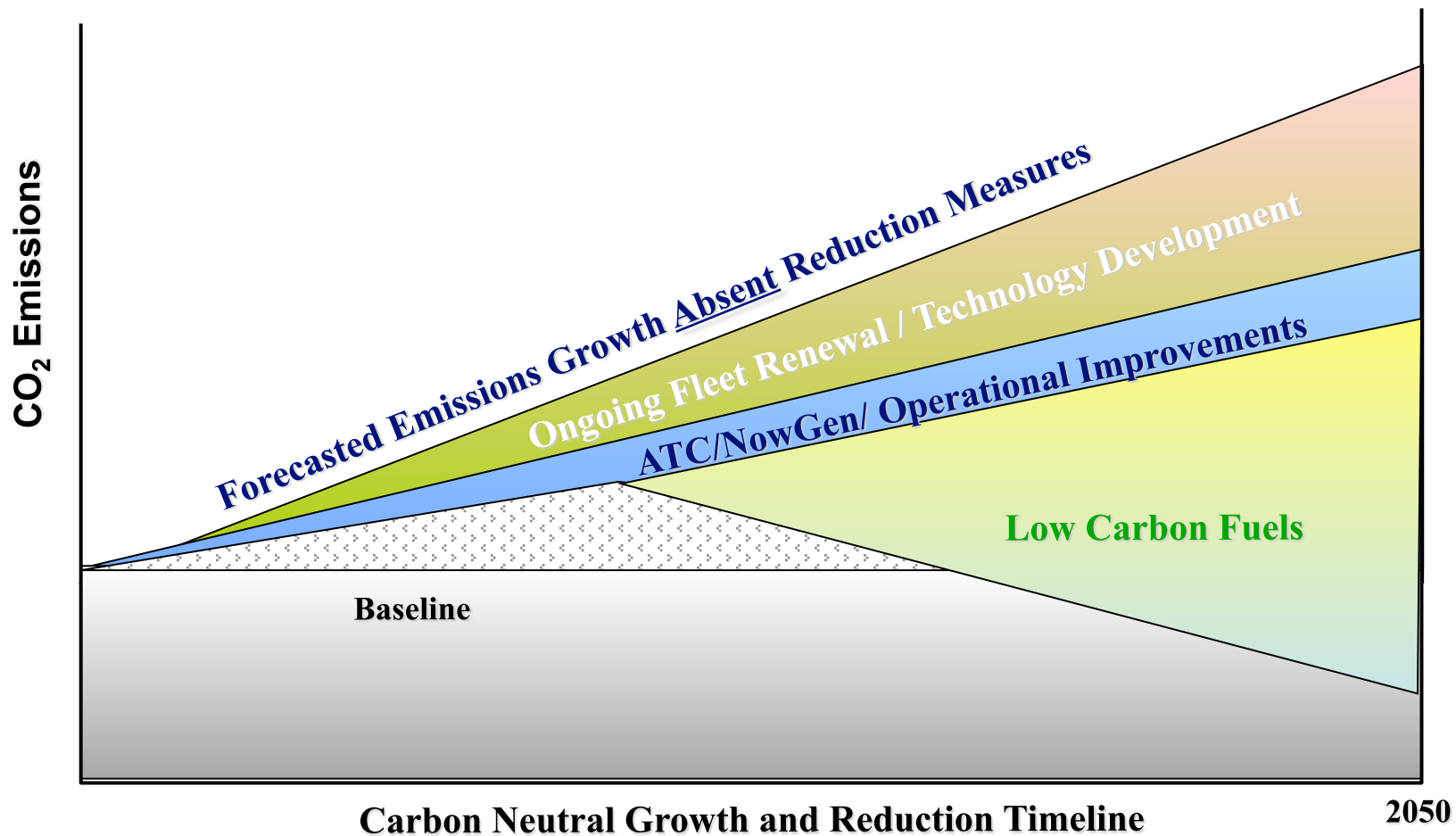


# The aviation emissions challenge

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the global fuel burn of commercial airlines

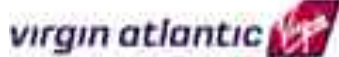







# How do we limit aviation's CO<sub>2</sub>?





## Biofuels for aviation to date:

Carrier	Aircraft	Partners	Date	Biofuel	Blend
 virgin atlantic	B747-400	Boeing, GE Aviation	23 Feb 08	Coconut & Babassu	20% one engine
 AIR NEW ZEALAND	B747-400	Boeing, Rolls-Royce	30 Dec 08	Jatropha	50% one engine
 Continental Airlines	B737-800	Boeing, GE Aviation, CFM, Honeywell UOP	7 Jan 09	Algae with Jatropha	50% one engine
 JAL	B747-300	Boeing, Pratt & Whitney, Honeywell UOP	30 Jan 09	Camelina, Jatropha and Algae blend	50% one engine
 KLM	B747-400	GE, Honeywell UOP	23 Nov 09	Camelina	50% one engine
 jetBlue	TBA	Airbus, IAE, Honeywell UOP	TBA	TBA	TBA





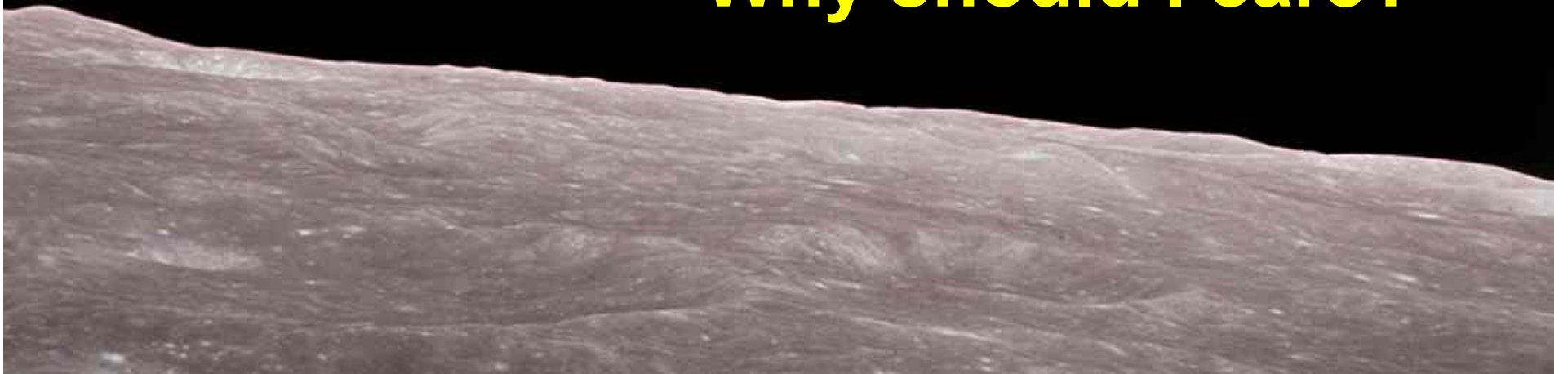


**Is this true?**

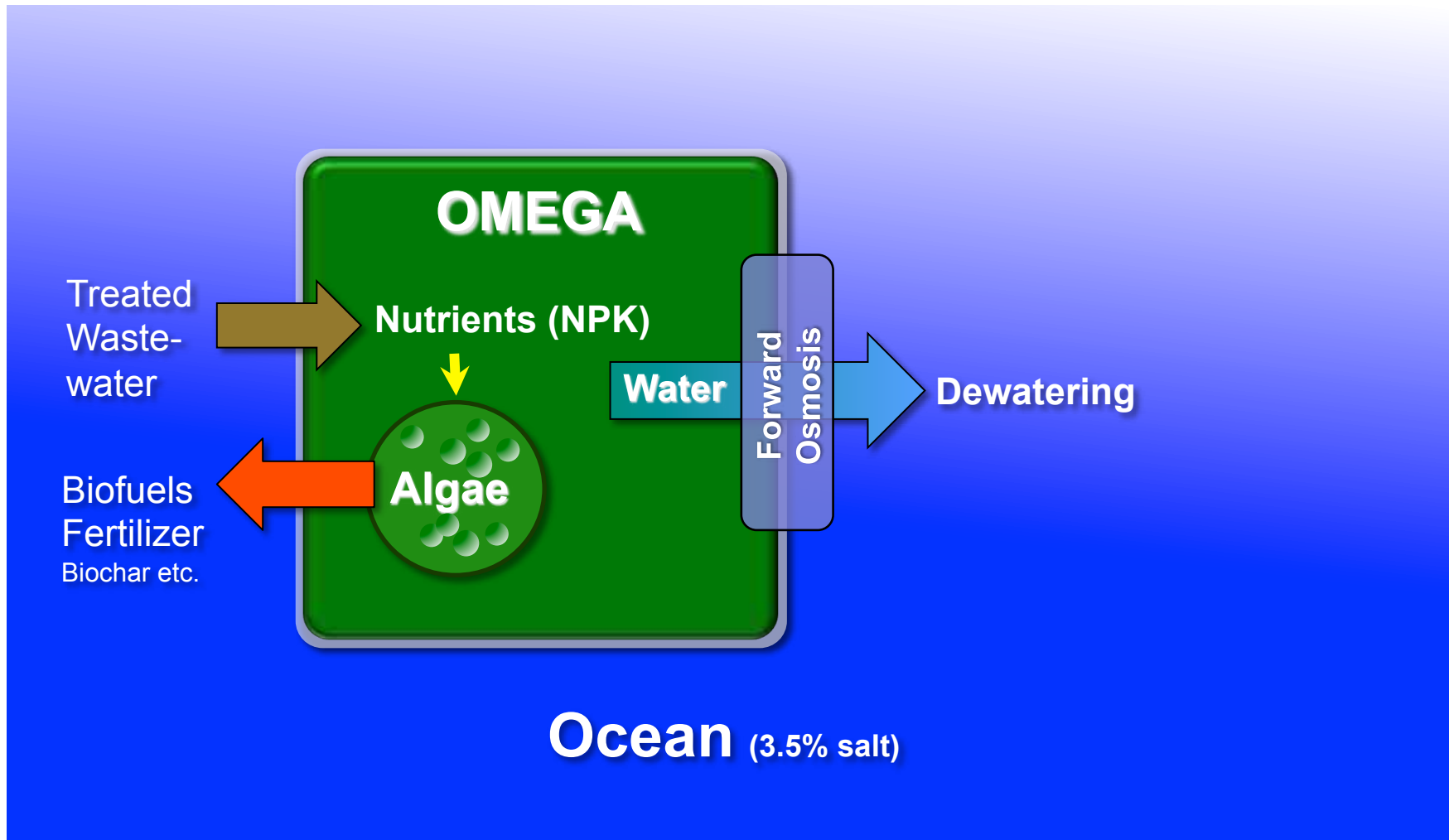


**How do you know?**

**Why should I care?**



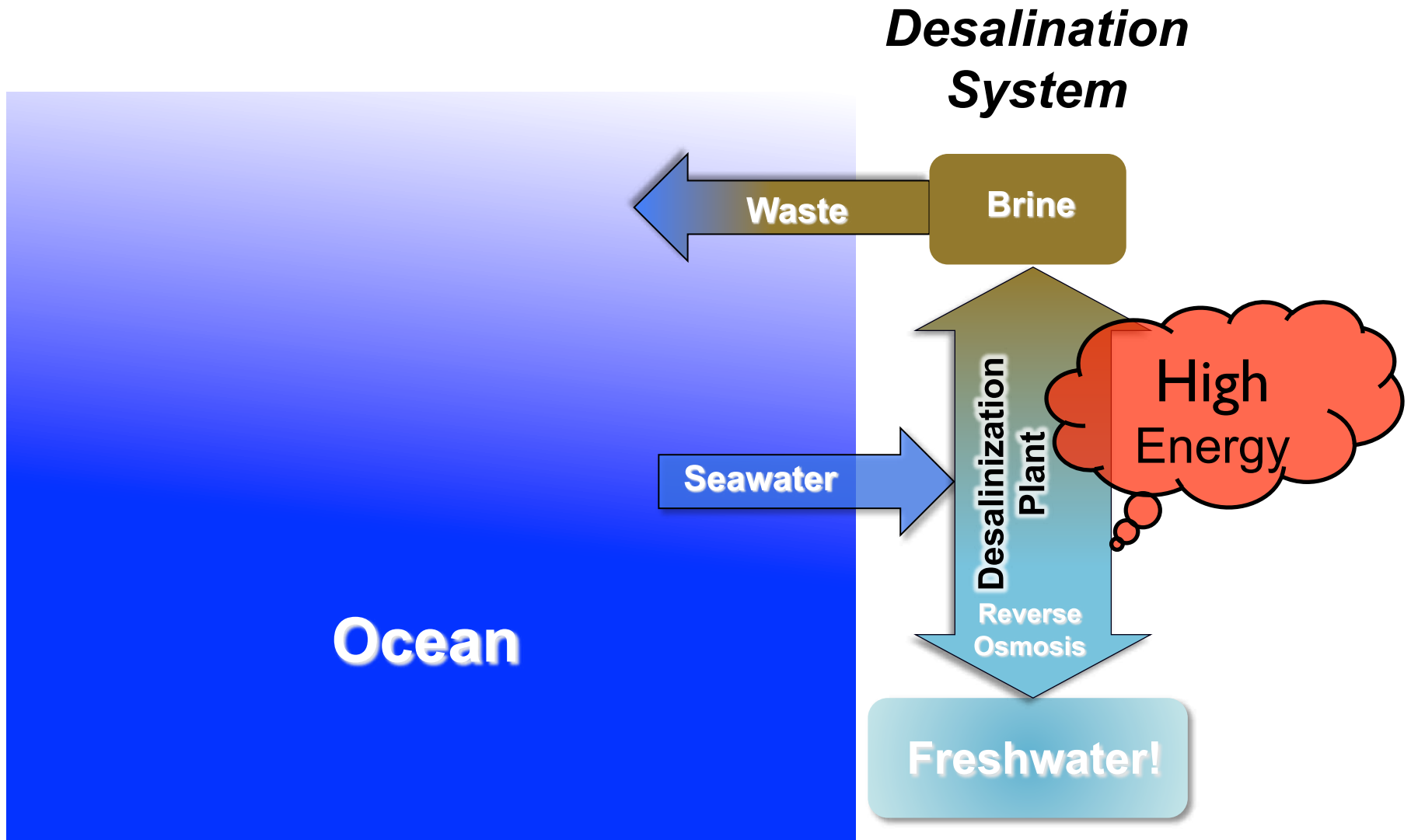
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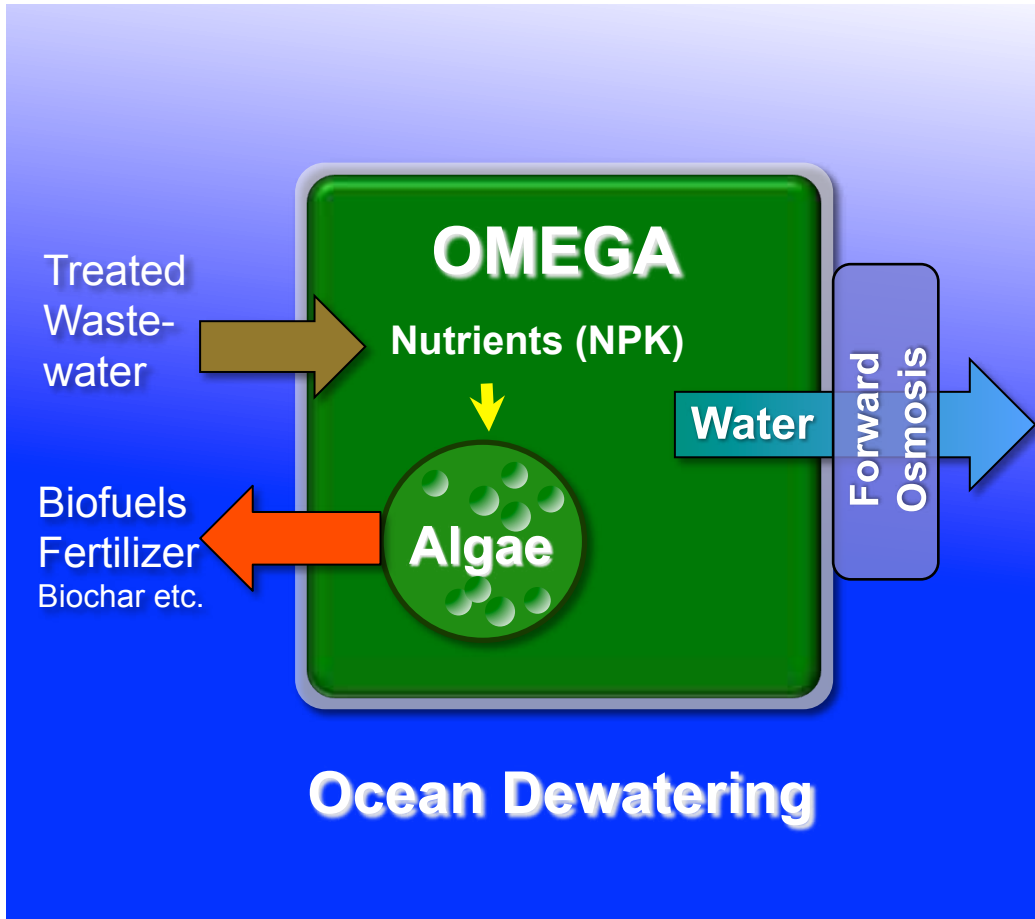
What about the water?



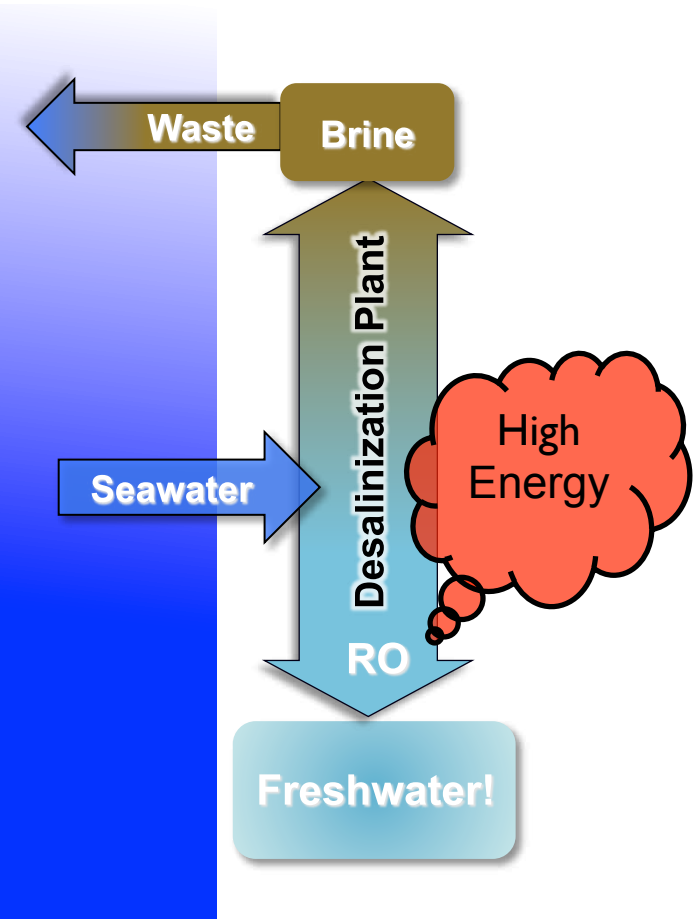




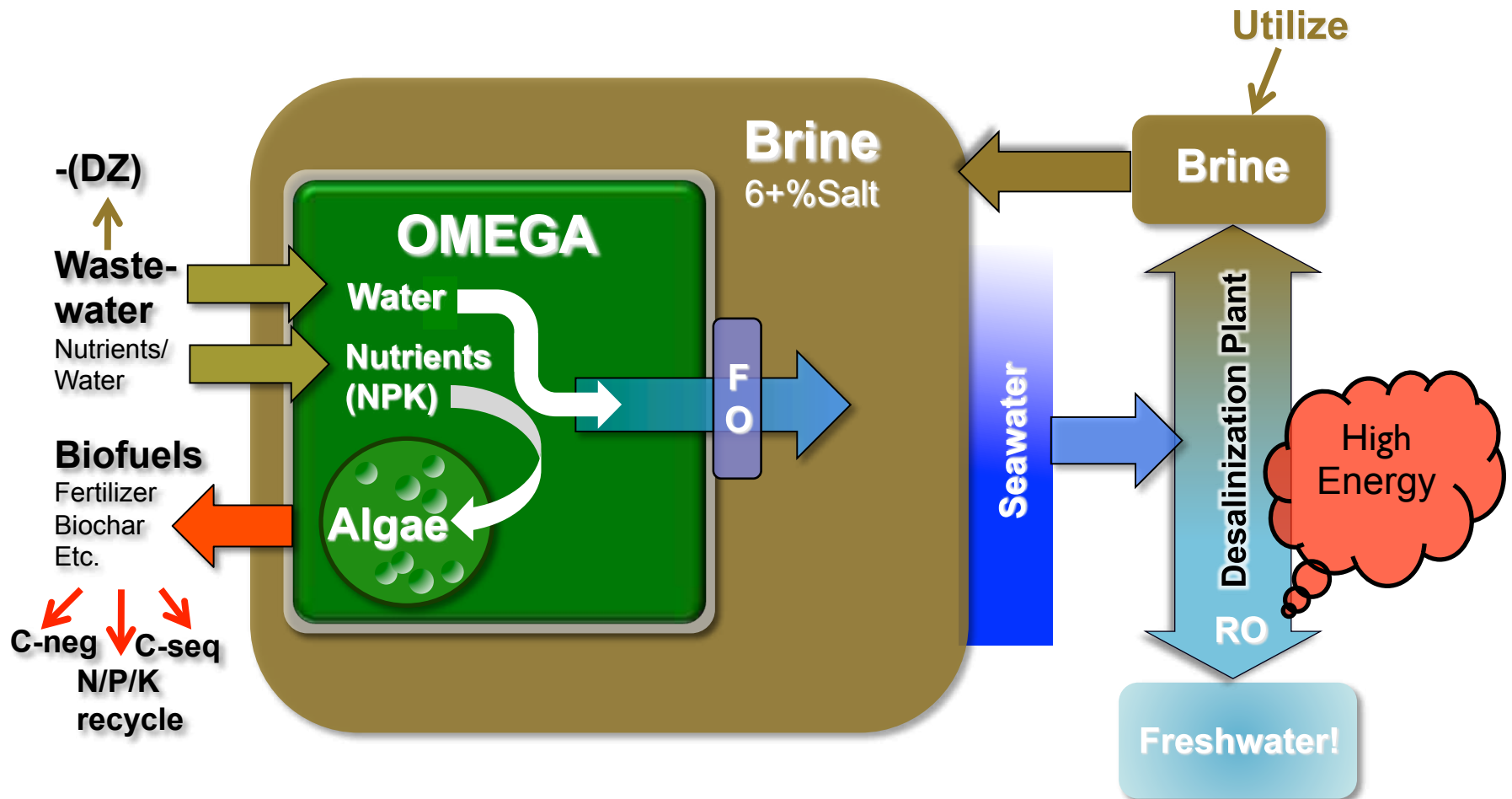
# OMEGA System



# Desalination System

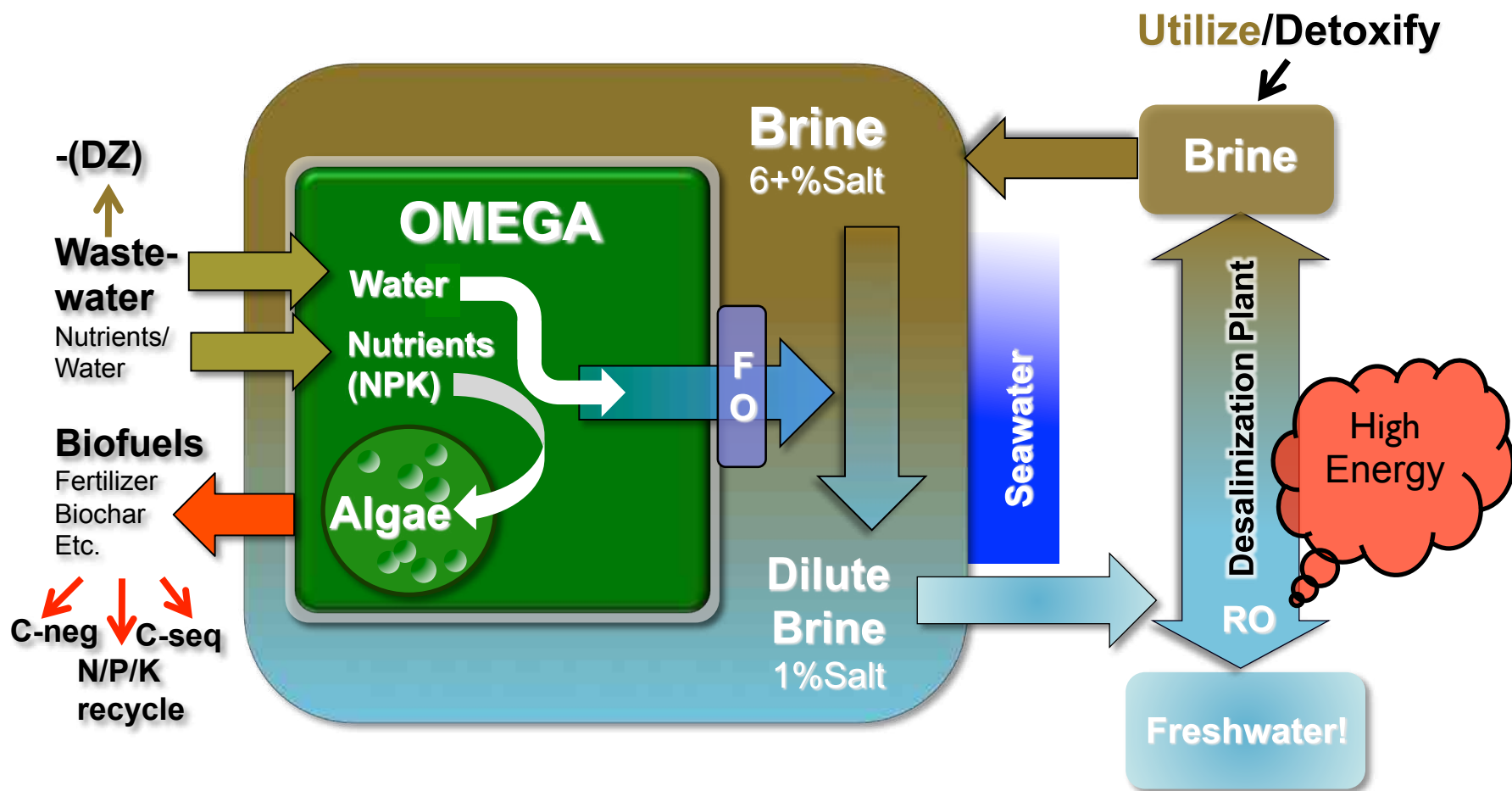


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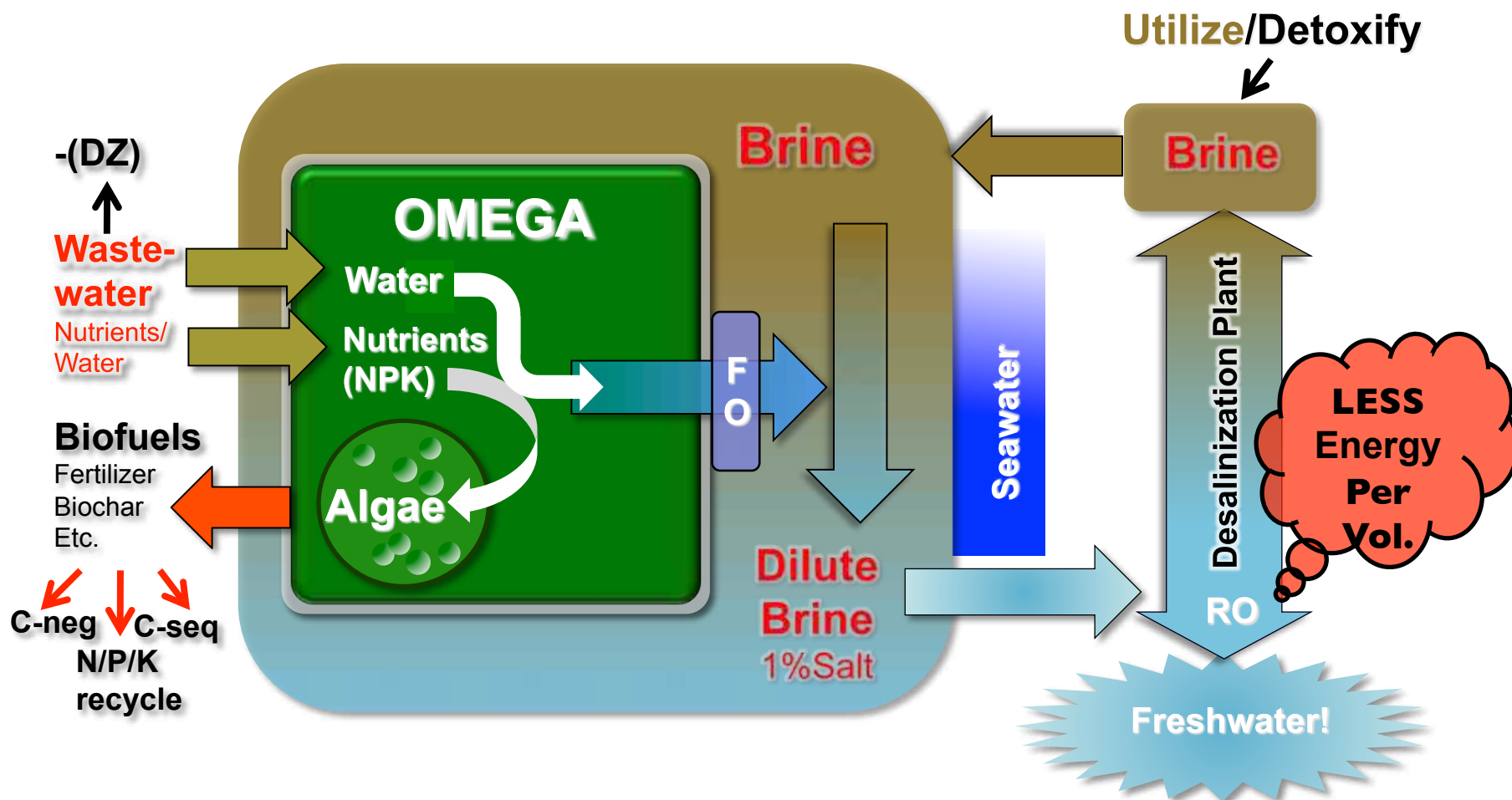




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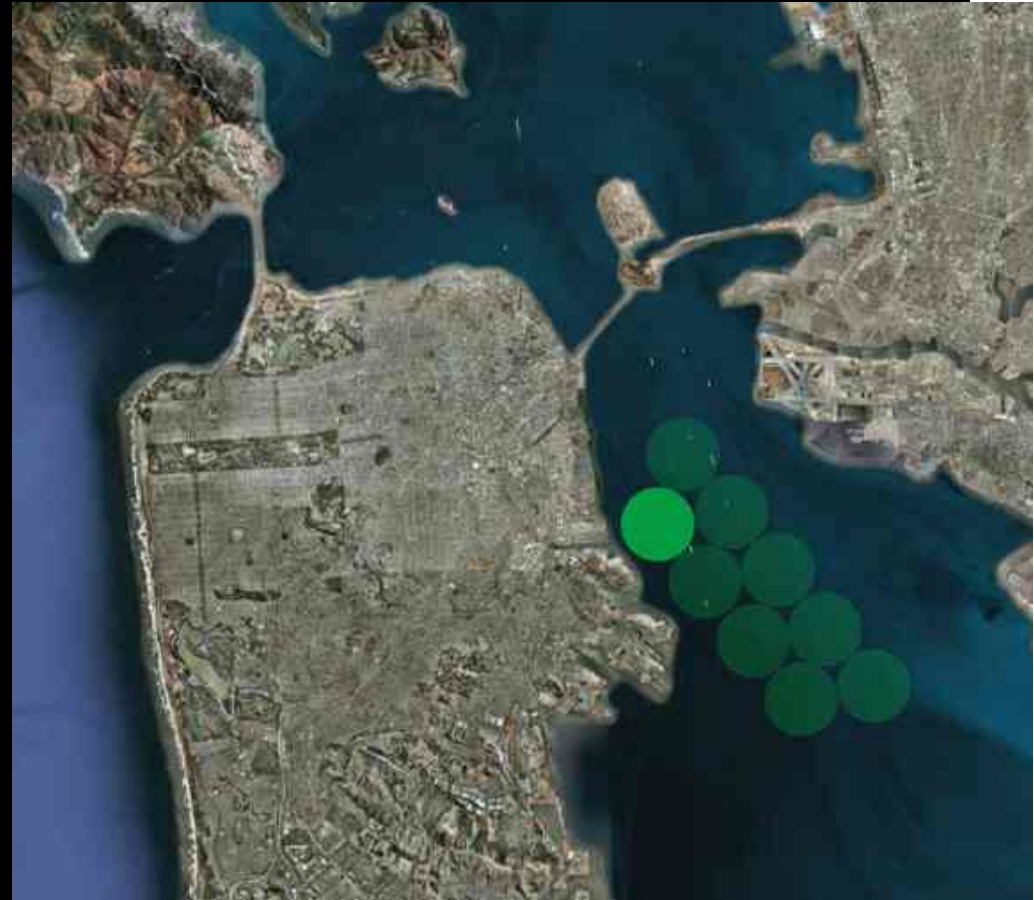
# Desalgae System (OMEGA + Desalination)



# Example: San Francisco

67 MGD, 80% of SF WW  
20 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day algae growth

- Minimum size
  - N-limited @ 9 mg/L
  - 28 tons dry biomass/day
  - 2.3 MG biofuel/yr
- Maximum output
  - Water-limited
  - 1 g/L algae yield
  - 254 tons dry biomass/day
  - 20 MG biofuel/yr
  - Capture all CO<sub>2</sub> from 32 MW PP







Mississippi River Delta



**Remediating Dead Zones**

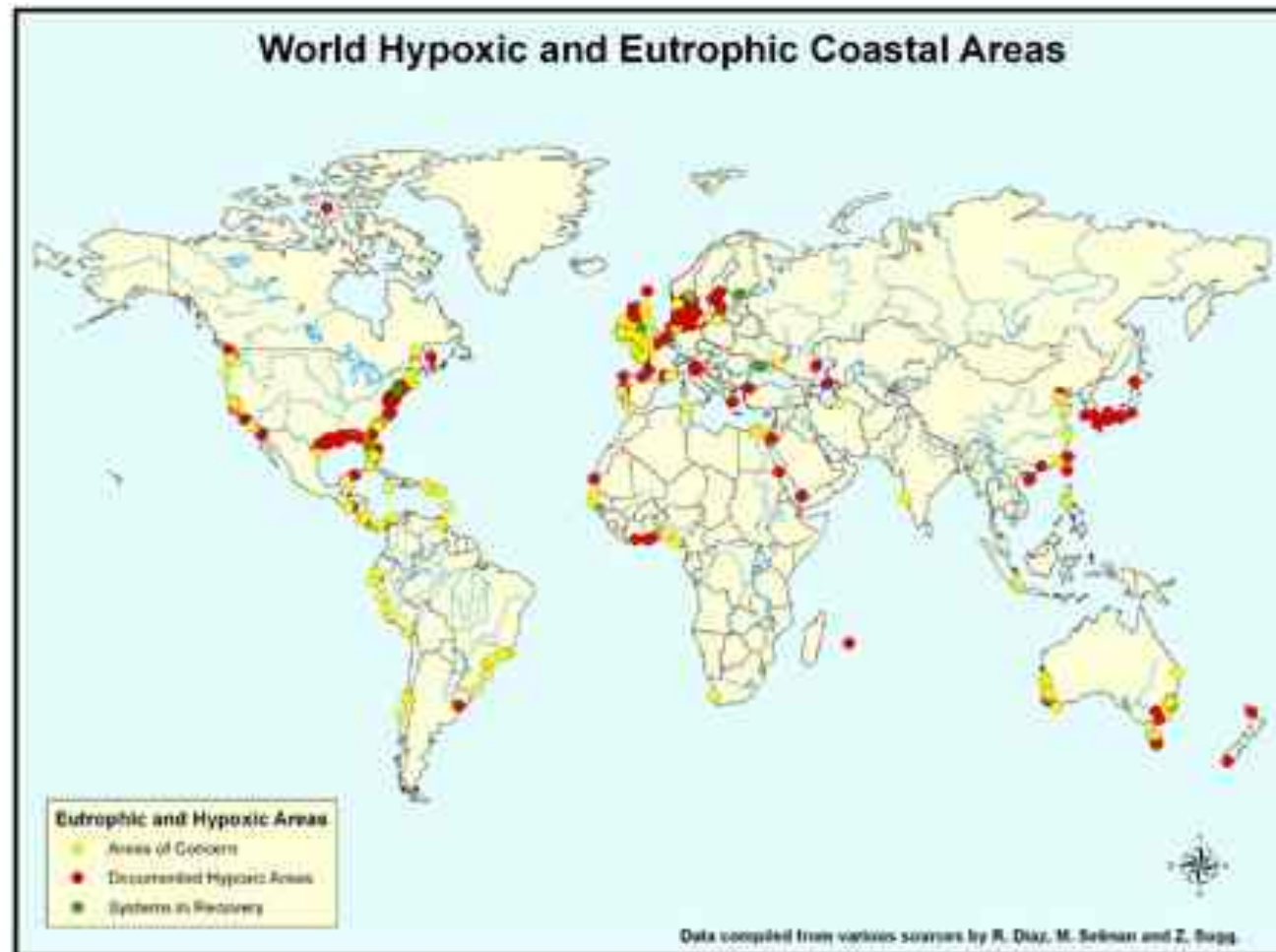
Yangtze River



Pearl River



# Dead Zones 2008



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