



Increased flexibility and power-production from biomass through material development and corrosion prediction





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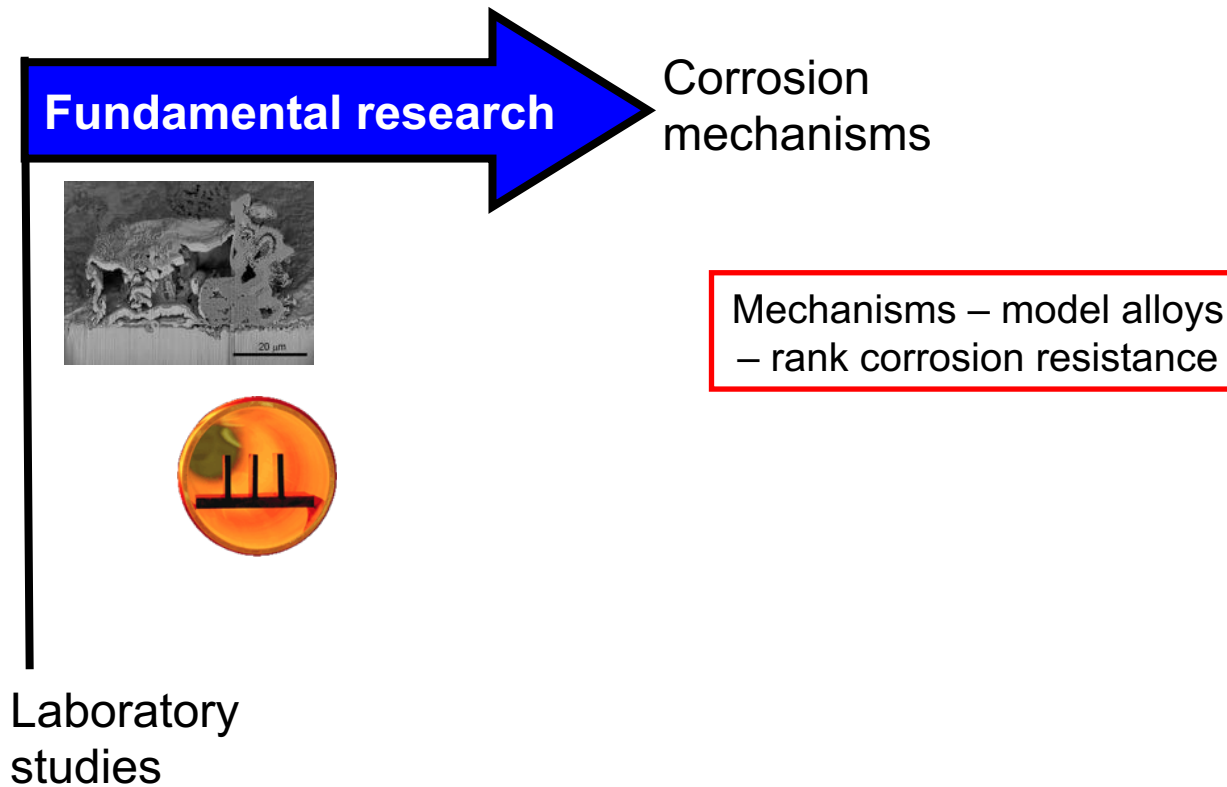
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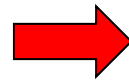
Tailor made model alloys



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Collaboration HTC 1a



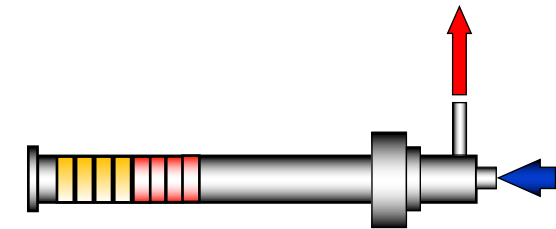
Ranking model alloys



Lab – collaboration
with **HTC1a**

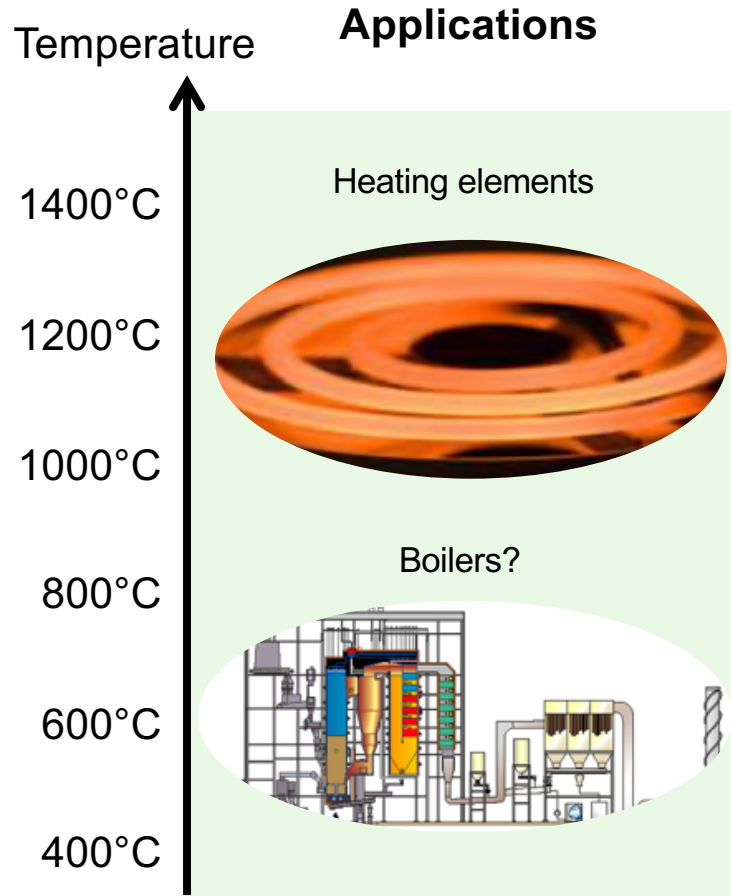


Most promising model alloys



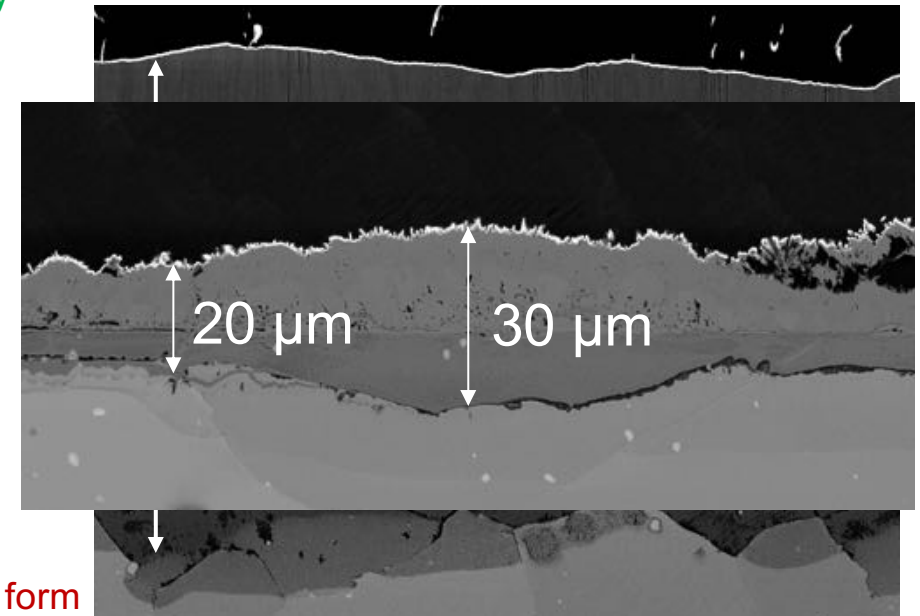
Corrosion tests in
the boiler

Challenges with FeCrAl alloys



An α -alumina scale forms at temperatures above ~900 °C that protects the alloy

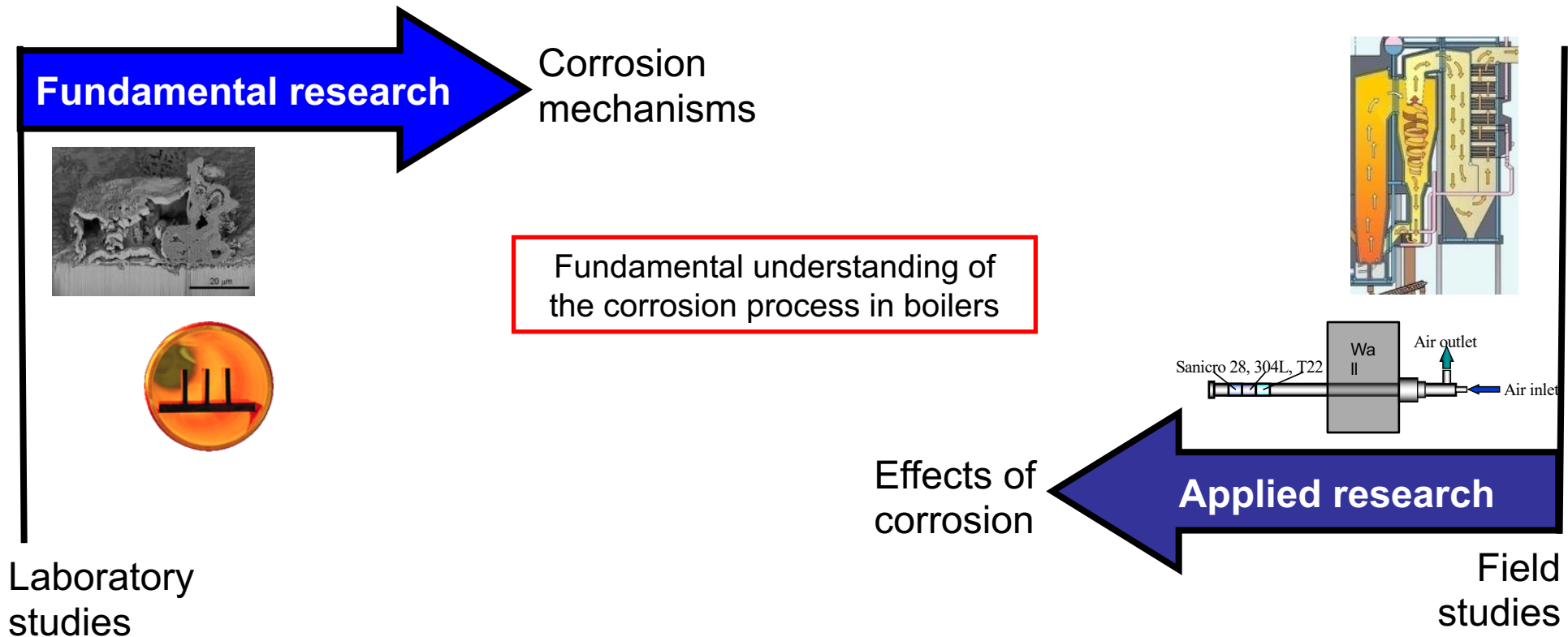
Secondary protection



At lower Temperatures

- Metastable forms of alumina may form
- Not as protective as α -alumina

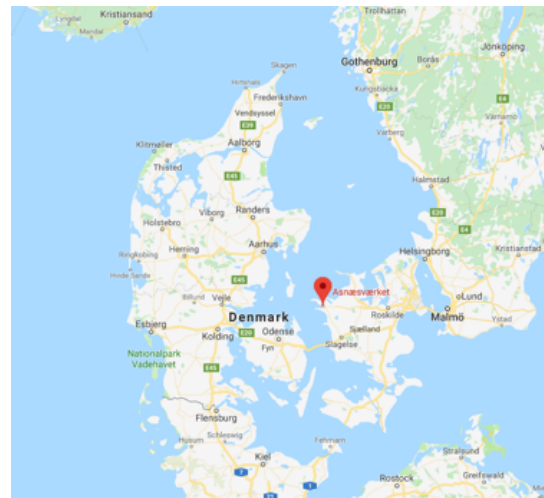
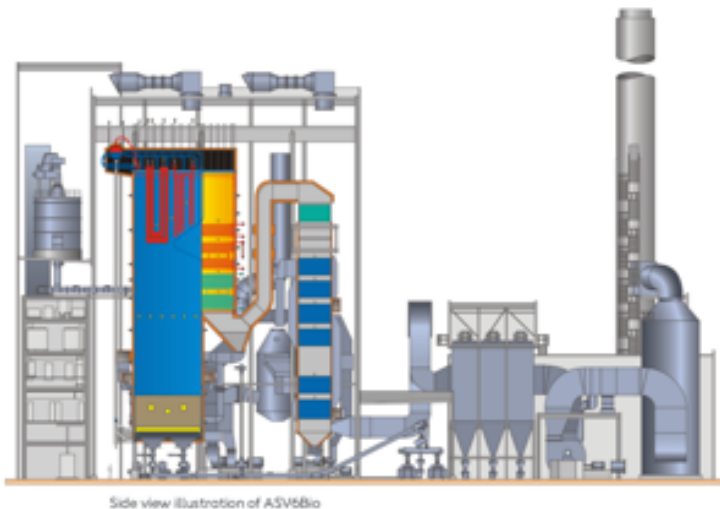
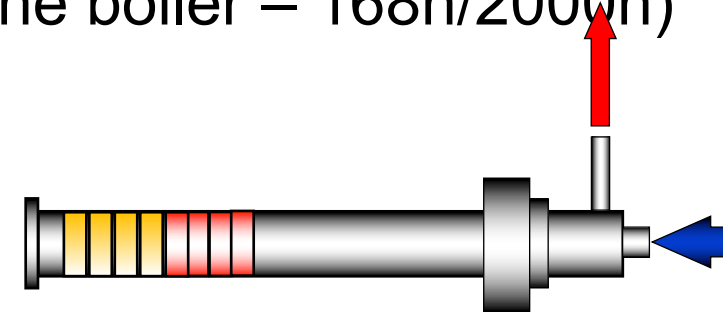
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Teamwork 2***

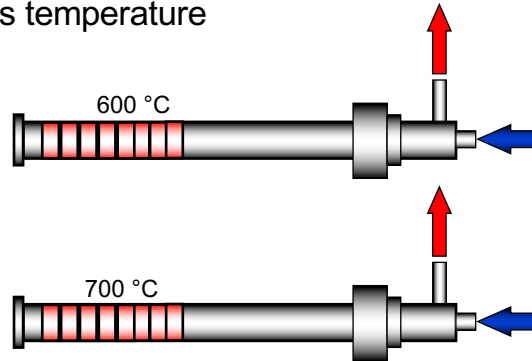
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- Characterize the deposit at different positions/temperatures
- Expose the most promising model alloys (probe rings in the boiler – 168h/2000h)
 - Best primary AND secondary protection!
- Compare oxidation resistance with existing materials



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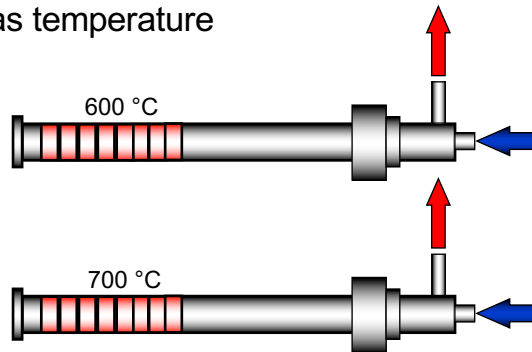
Lower fluegas temperature



Materials – 168h

- 347H
- 310
- Sanicro 25
- 347H with thermally sprayed with Fe^{12.4}Cr^{3.7}Al^{1.3}Si

Higher fluegas temperature

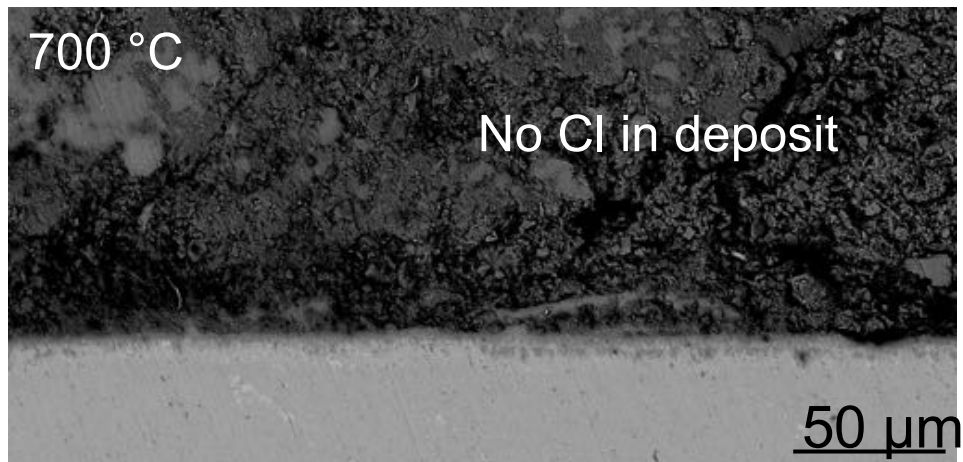
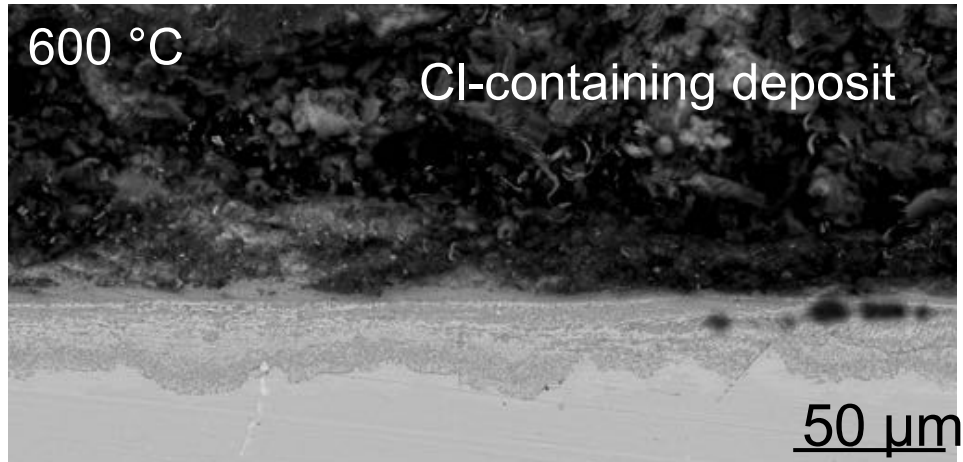


- Fe^{12.4}Cr^{3.7}Al^{1.3}Si
- Fe₁₀Cr₄Al₀Si
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- Fe₁₀Cr₃Al₂Si

Material temperature

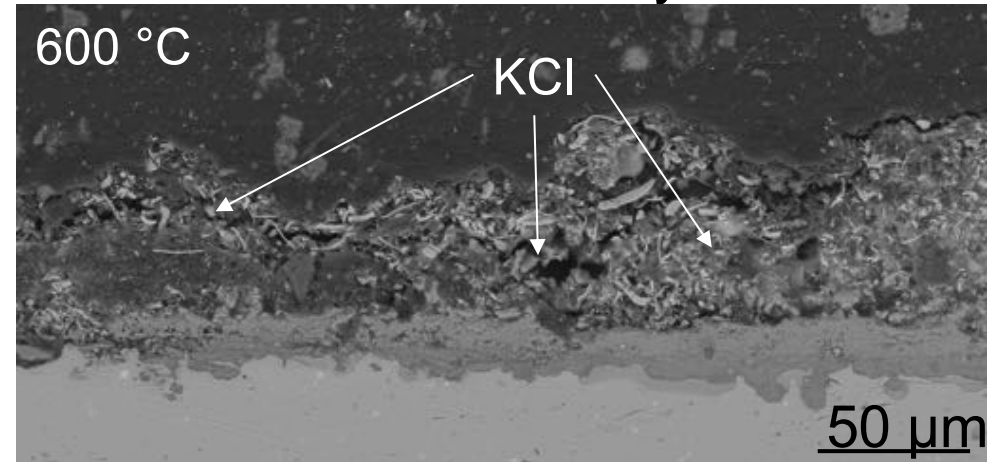
Influence on corrosion attack

Stainless steel



Sanicro 25

FeCrAl alloys



Fe10Cr4Al0Si

Low flue gas temperature

Alloy composition (Si-effect)

Influence on corrosion resistance

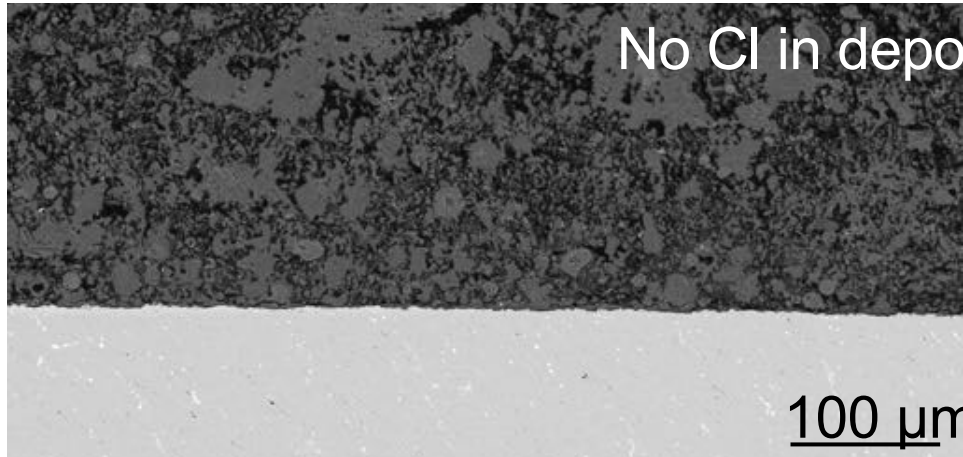
Without Si

— Majority of the sample

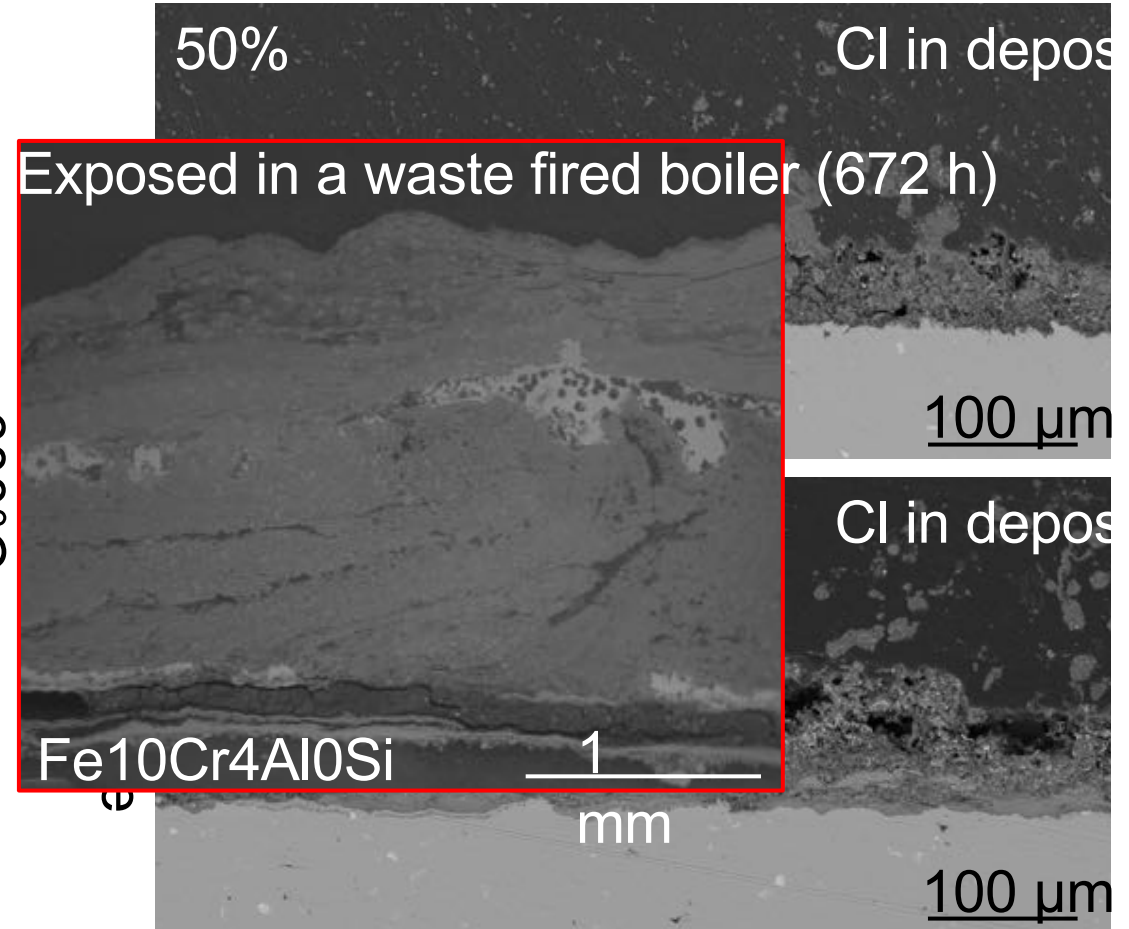
With Si

Fe10Cr4Al0Si

Fe12.5Cr3.4Al1.3Si



600°C



General remarks:

- The operating parameters of the boiler (fuel, temperature etc.) resulted in a **very mild environment**
 - Minor corrosion attack
 - IC analysis showed **very low Cl concentration** in all cases (<1 wt%)
- Longer exposures needed to achieve a better understanding of the influencing parameters

Material temperature:

- The **corrosion attack** was **slightly higher** at **600 °C**
- SEM analysis indicated **increased amount of Cl in deposit** at the **lower** material temperature (600 °C)
- **IC analysis** showed **very low Cl concentration** in deposit at **both material temperatures**

Flue gas temperature:

- **SEM and IC showed minor or no influence** of flue gas temperature on the **amount of Cl** in the deposit
- **No clear effect** of flue gas temperature on the **extent of corrosion attack**

Alloy composition:

- In average, the **FeCrAl alloys** (more highly alloyed) **behaved better** than the stainless steels
 - Were able to better **withstand presence of Cl**
- Indication of **improved corrosion behaviour** with **Si-addition**
- **Coated A197** showed **great corrosion resistance**
 - No oxide formation detected
 - Minimal material loss

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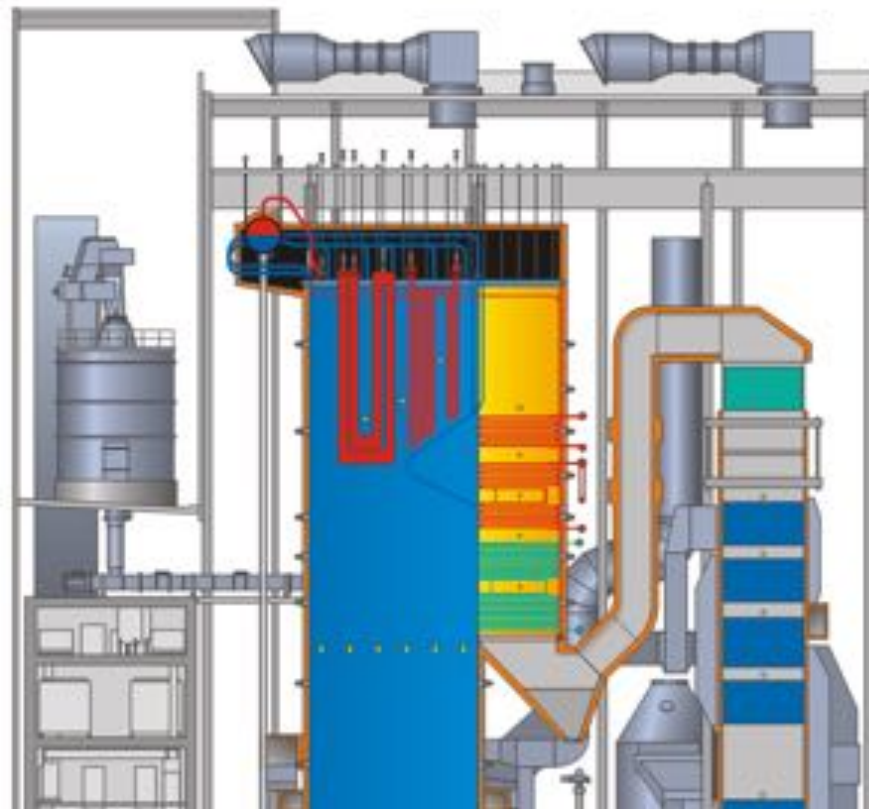
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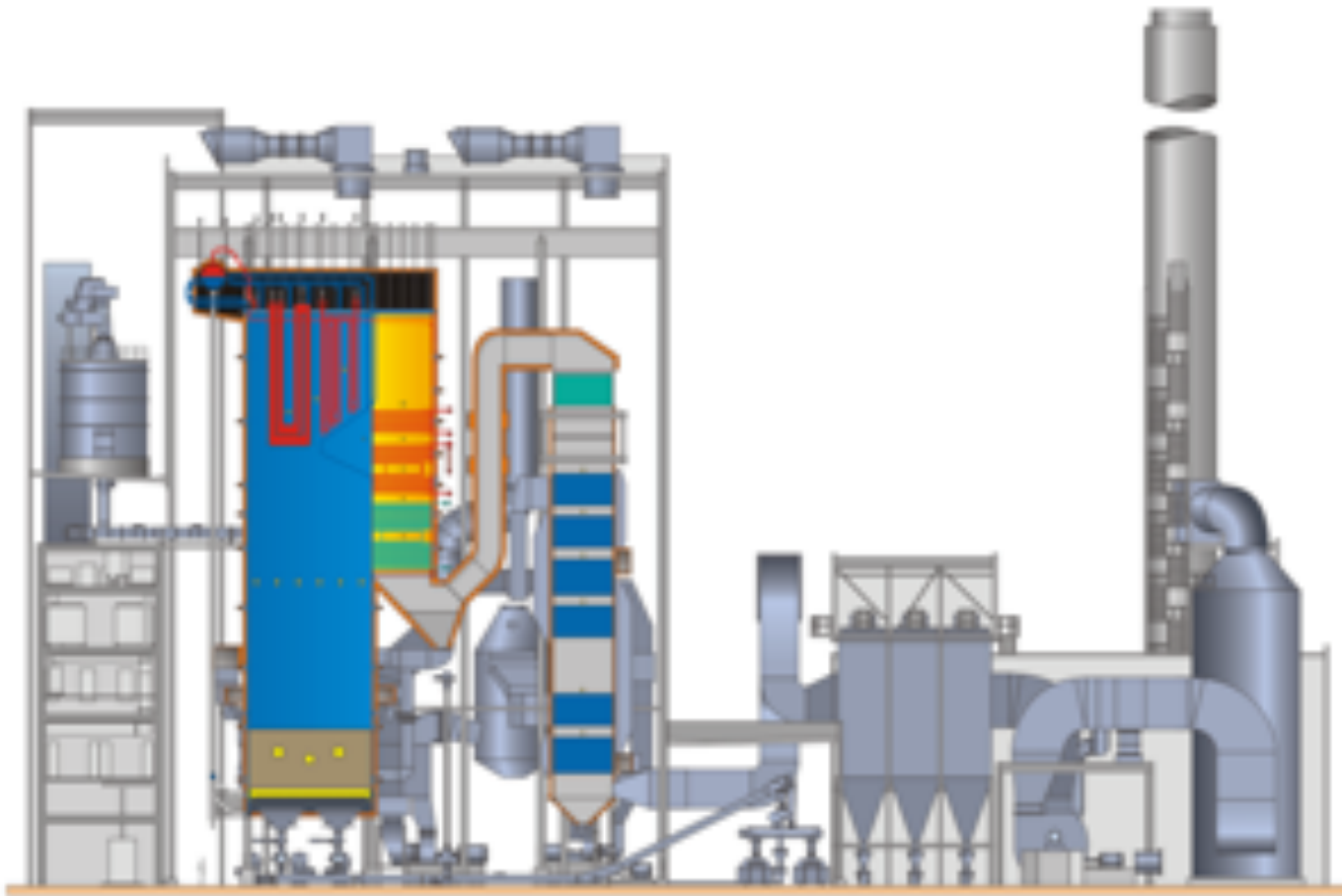
New boiler - Superheater test tube installations



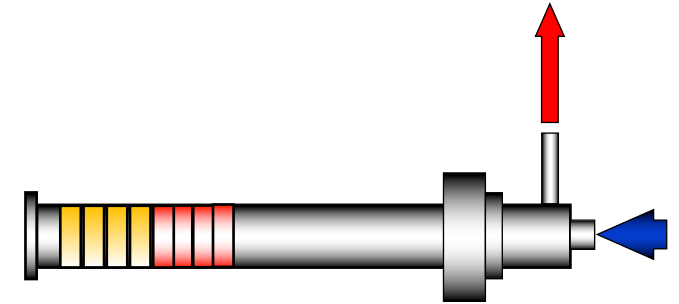
- Four test tube materials installed to the tertiary superheater
- Straight tubes, hottest part of the tertiary superheater



Characterize the oxide microstructure in lab/probe/fixed installed samples – modelling perspective



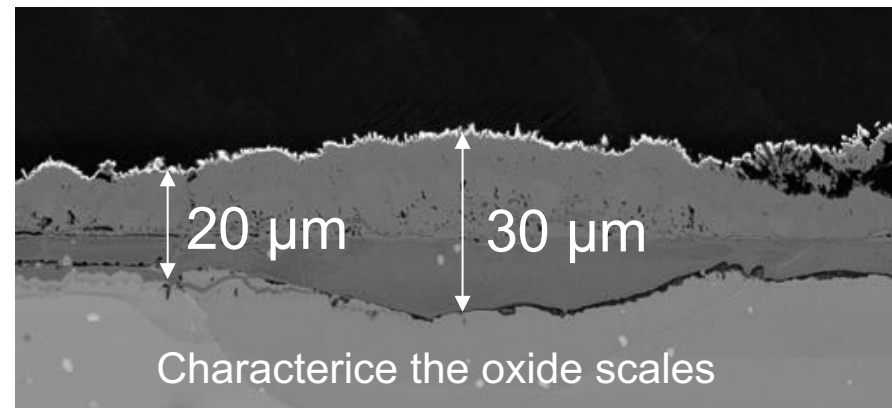
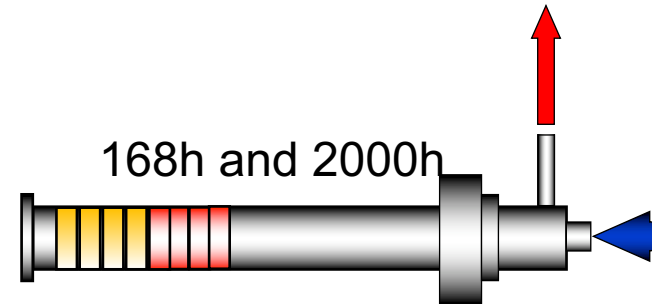
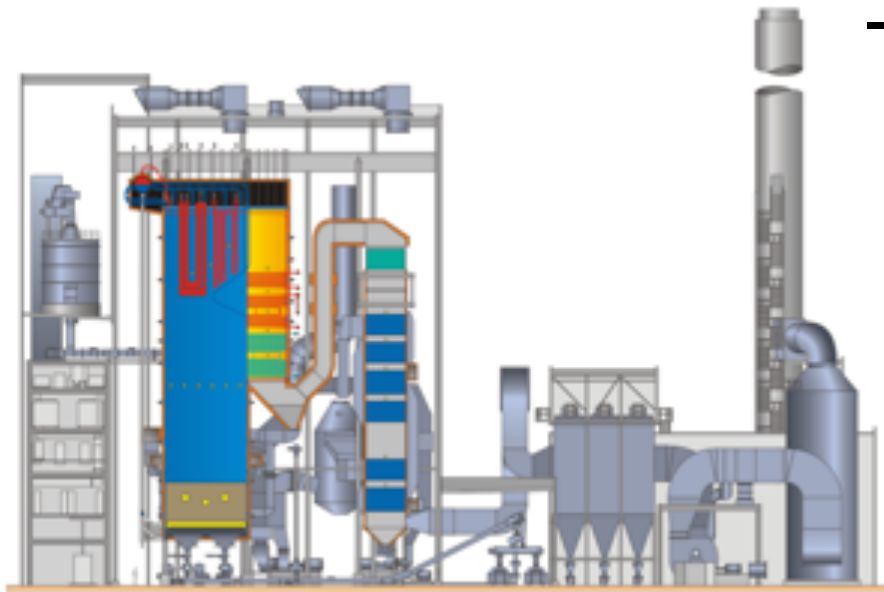
Side view illustration of ASV6Bio



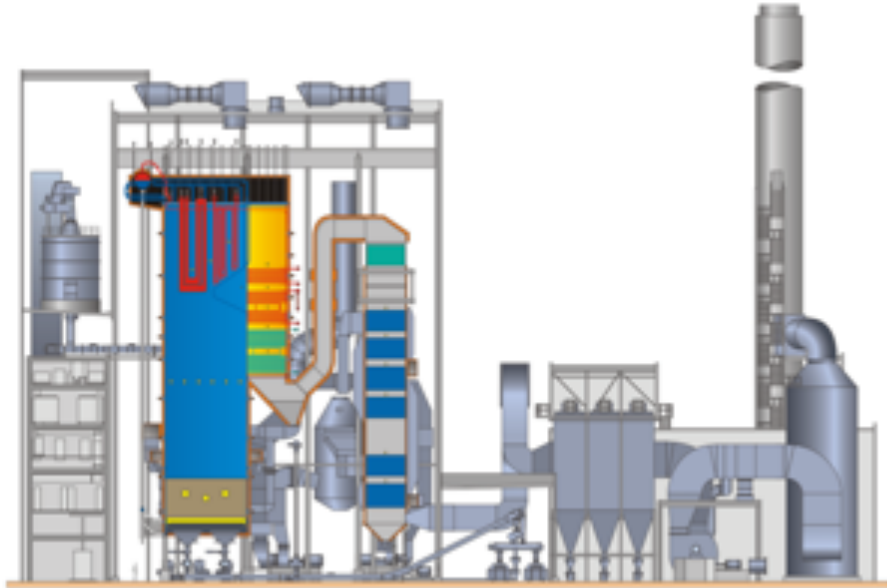
Samples of same material – probe
168h and 2000h



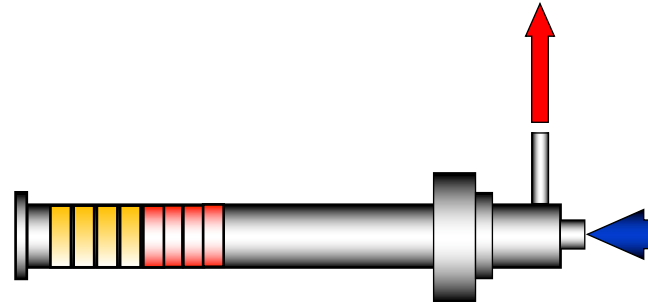
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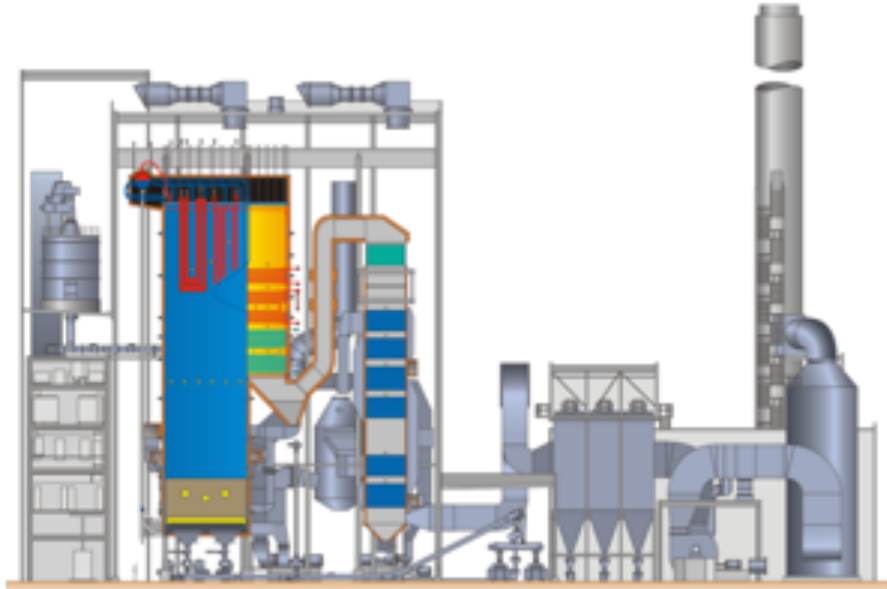


Side view illustration of ASV5Bio

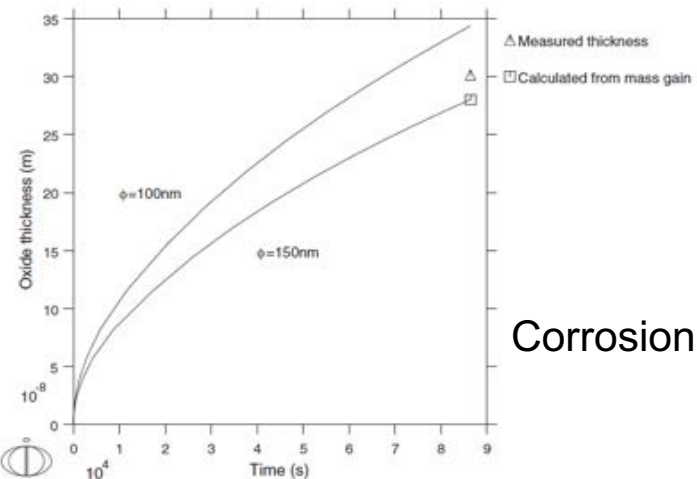
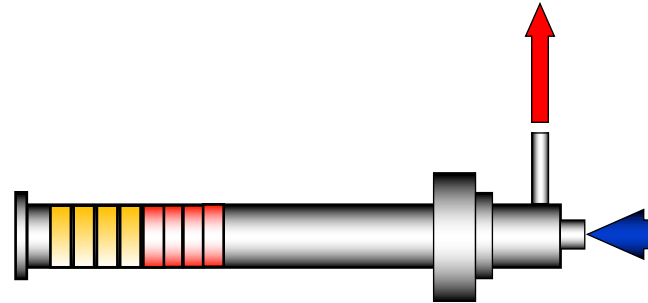


Model the oxide scales

Characterize the oxide microstructure – modelling perspective



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Corrosion rate – calculations up to 8000h performed

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