

Environmental Evaluation of Biorefinery Concepts

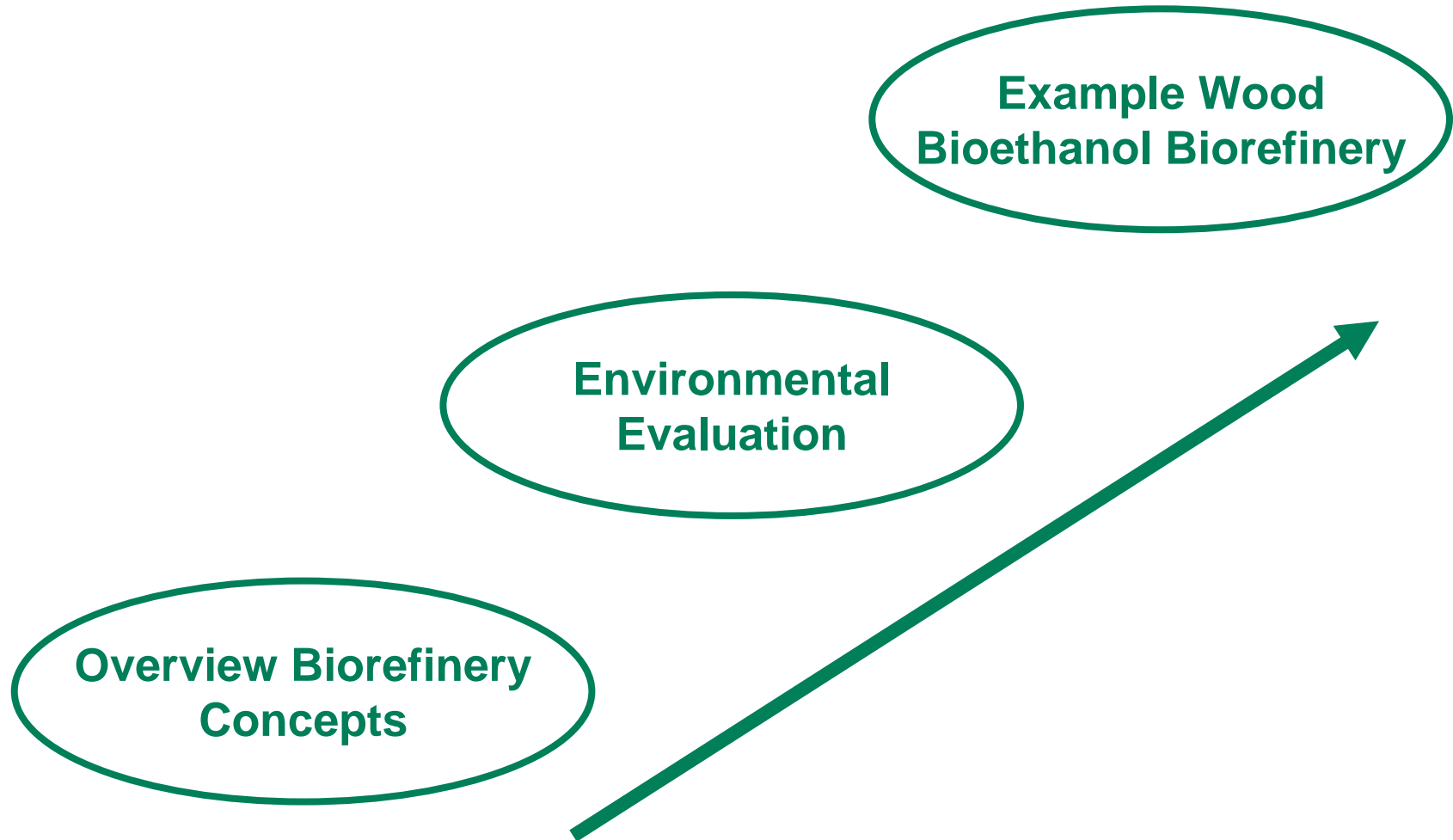
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Co-production of Transportation Biofuels, Electricity, Heat and Chemicals from Biomass

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Outline



European Roadmap for Biofuels

Vision 2030: 25% Biofuels

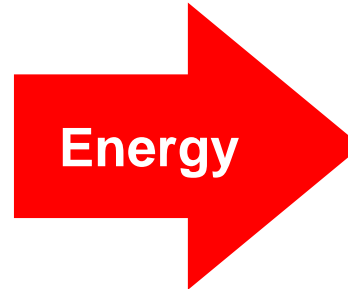
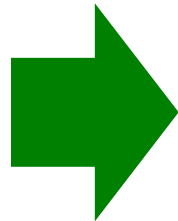


Source: *Biofuels in the European Union – A vision for 2030 and beyond, Final report of the Biofuels Research Advisory Council, June 2006*

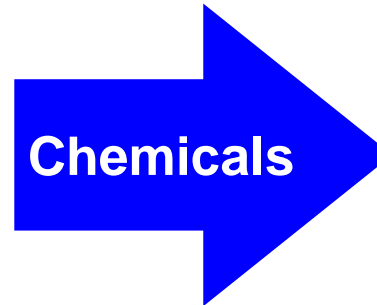
Biorefinery With Transportation Biofuel Orientation

Biomass Resources

- oil
- starch
- sugar
- lignocellulose
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- liquid/gaseous transportation fuels
- electricity
- heat
- solid fuels

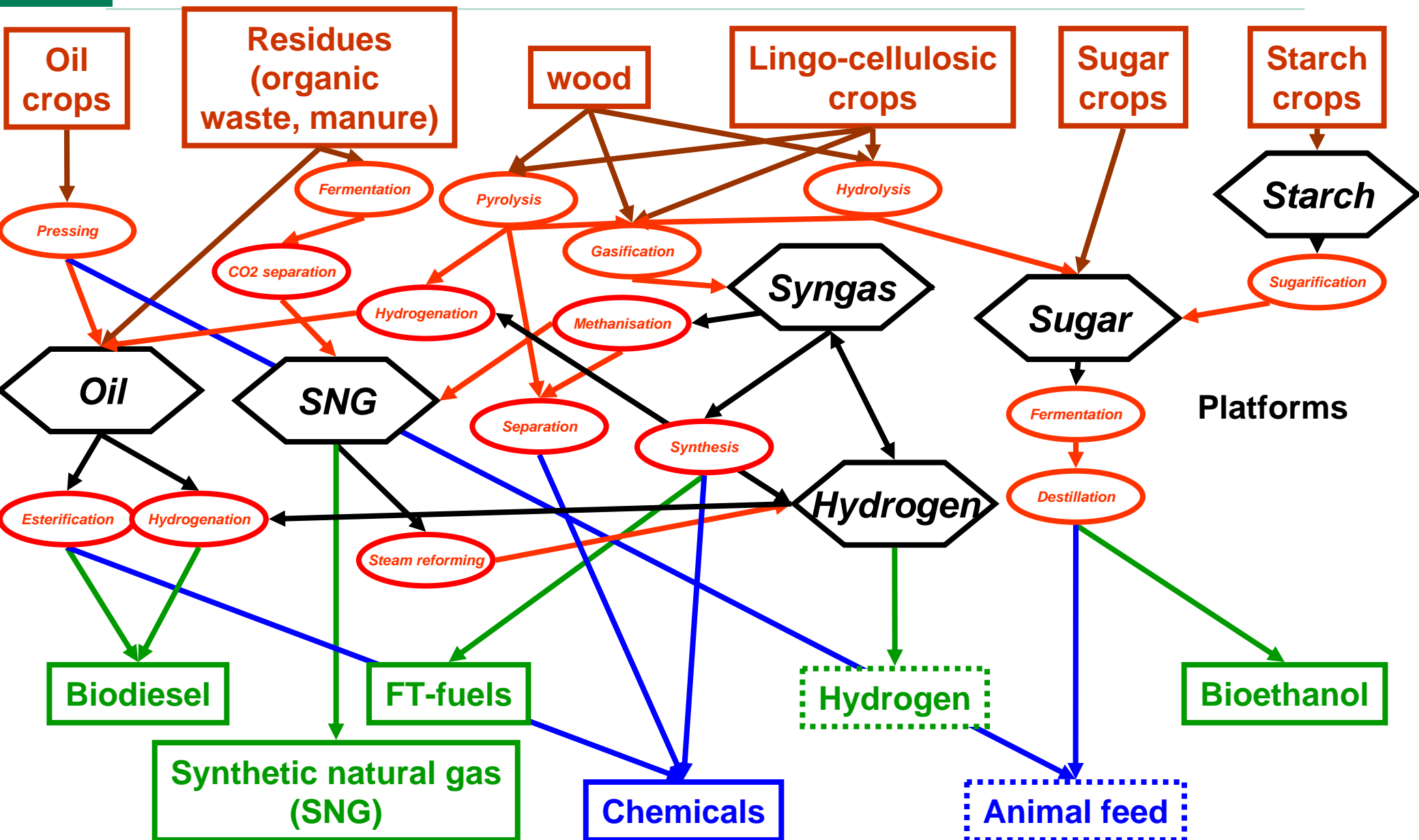


- bulk chemicals
- fine chemicals
- animal feed
- materials
- fertilizer
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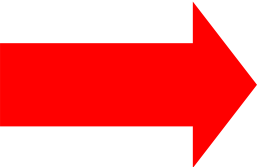
Based on different conversion processes

- Bio-chemical
- Thermo-chemical
- Physical-chemical
- Others

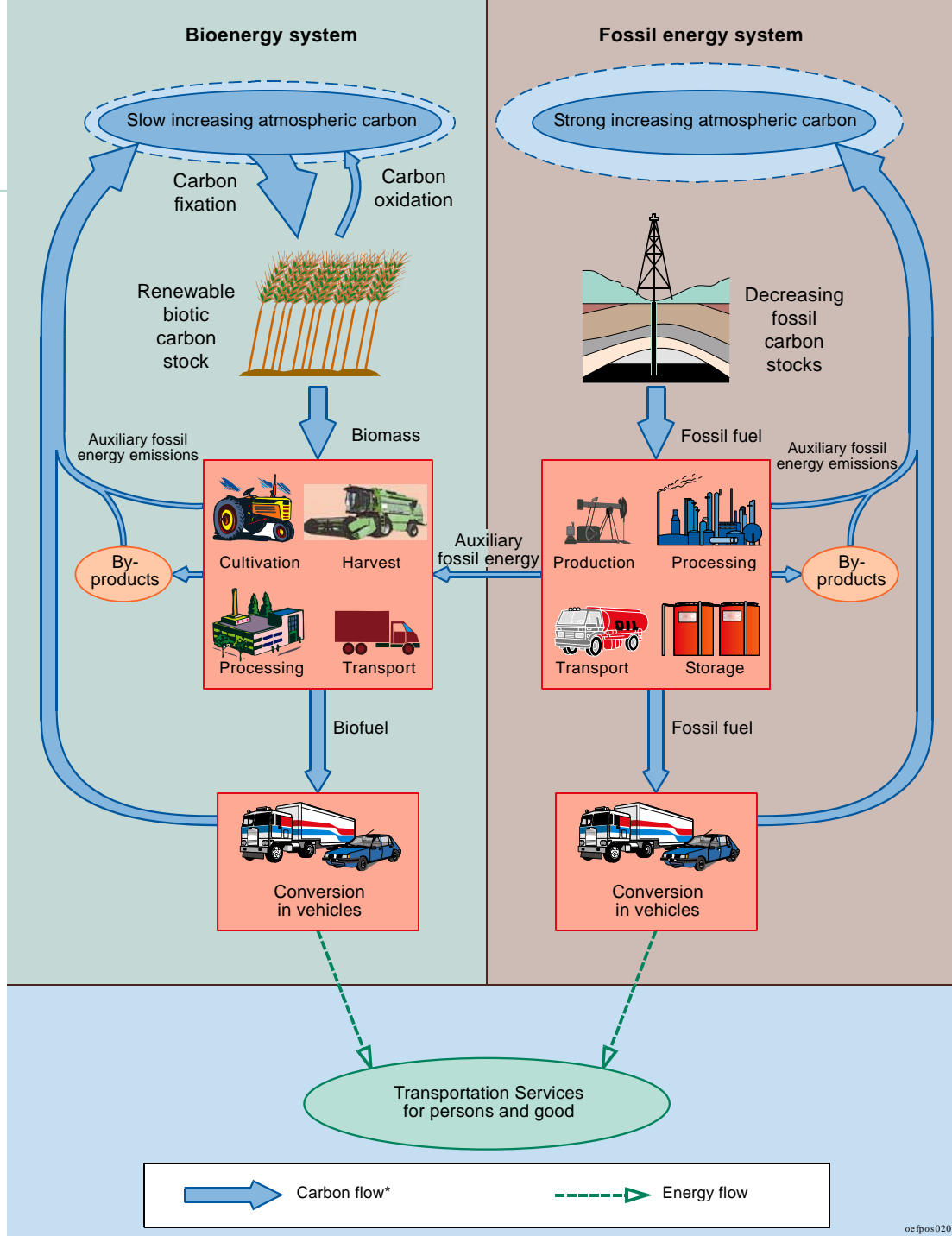
“Multi-Platform” Biorefinery with Transportation Biofuel Orientation



- According to
- ✓ ISO 14 040
 - ✓ „Life Cycle assessment“
 - ✓ Standard Methodology of IEA Bioenergy Task 38
 - ✓ „Greenhouse Gas Balances of Bioenergy systems“
 - ✓ Recommendations of COST Action E9 „Life Cycle Assessment of Forestry and Forest Products“
 - ✓ JRC/CONCAWE/EUCAR: Well-to-Wheels analysis of future automotive fuels and powertrains in the European context

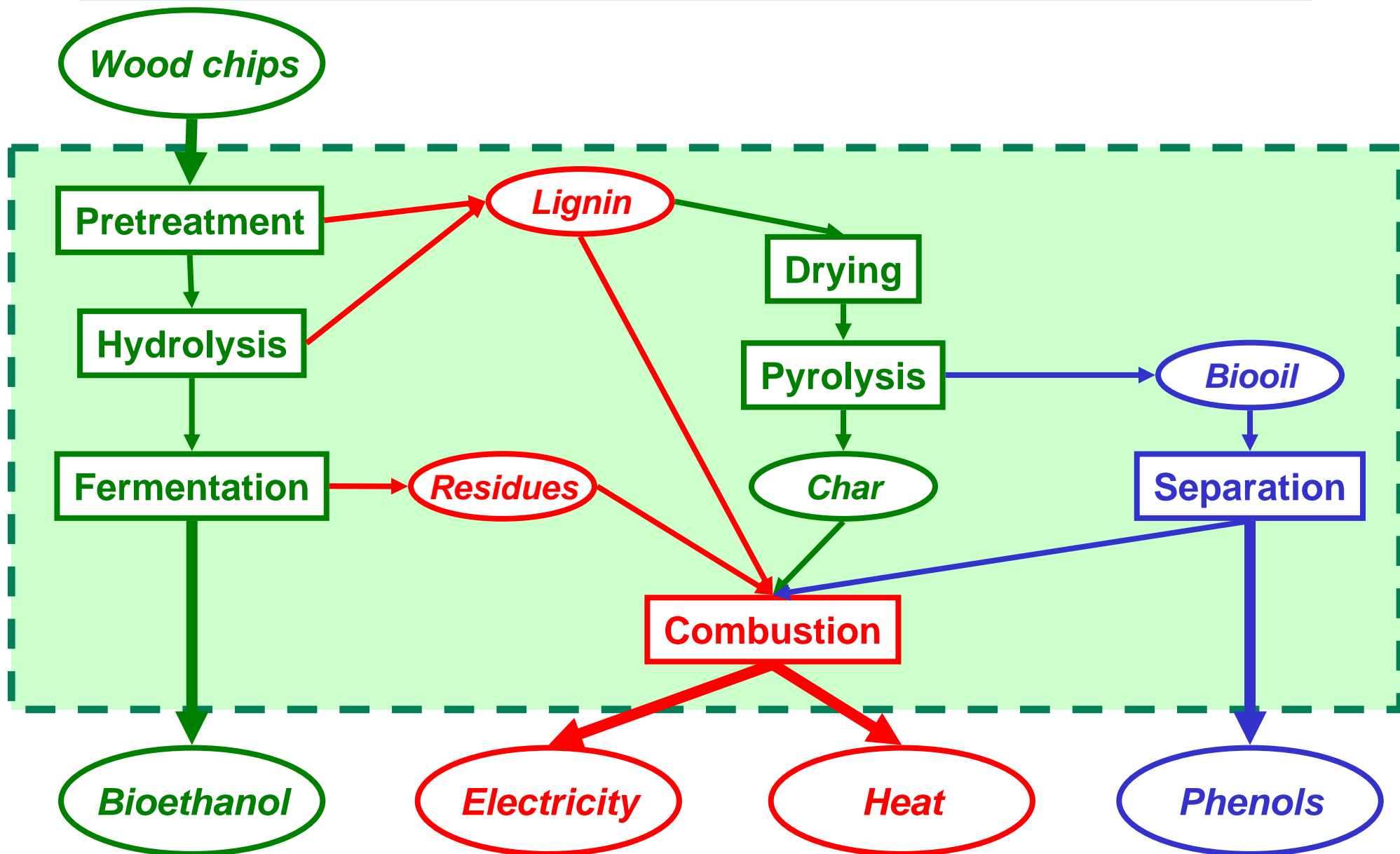


Common methodology available

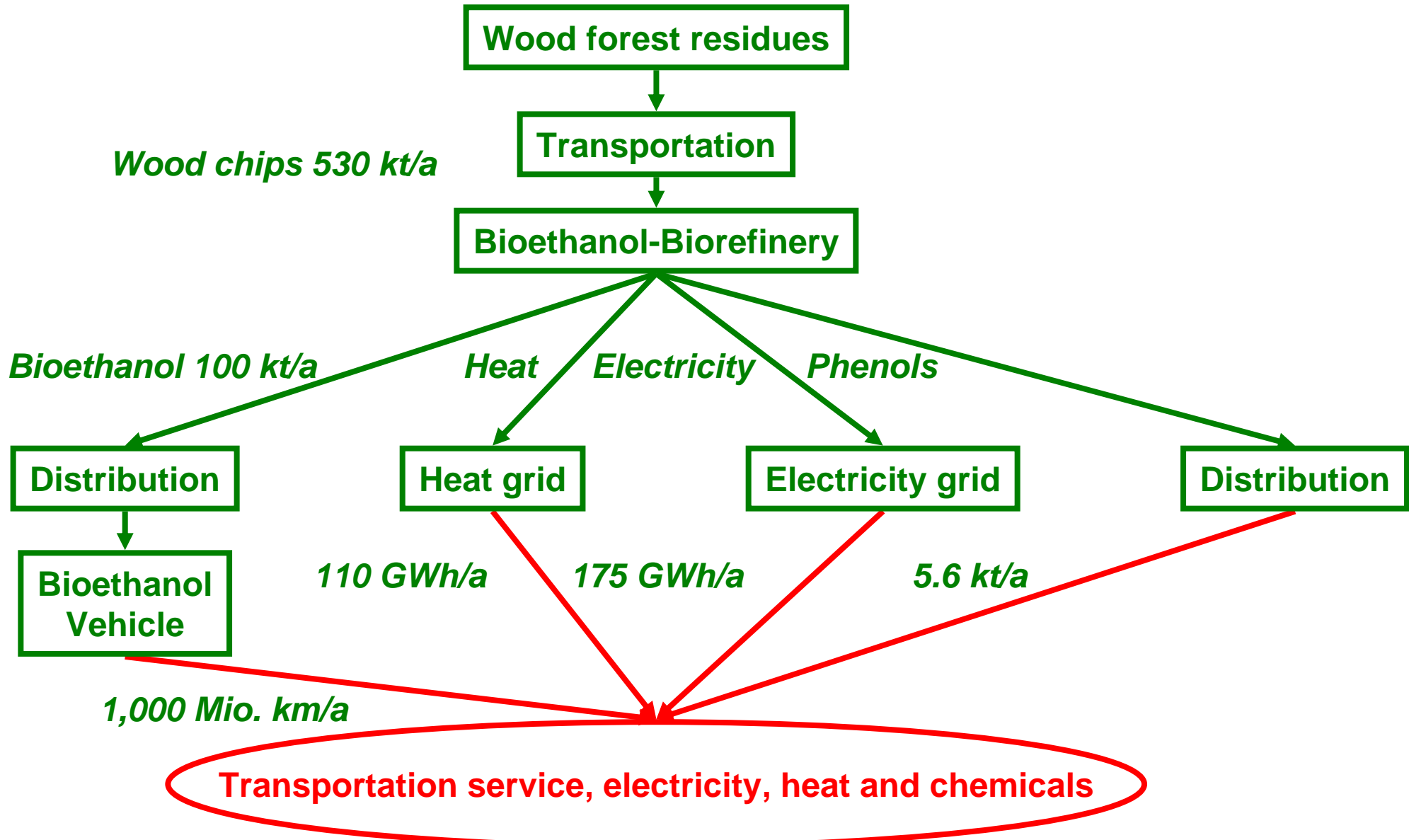


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Process System: Wood Bioethanol Biorefinery



LCA of Wood Bioethanol Biorefinery



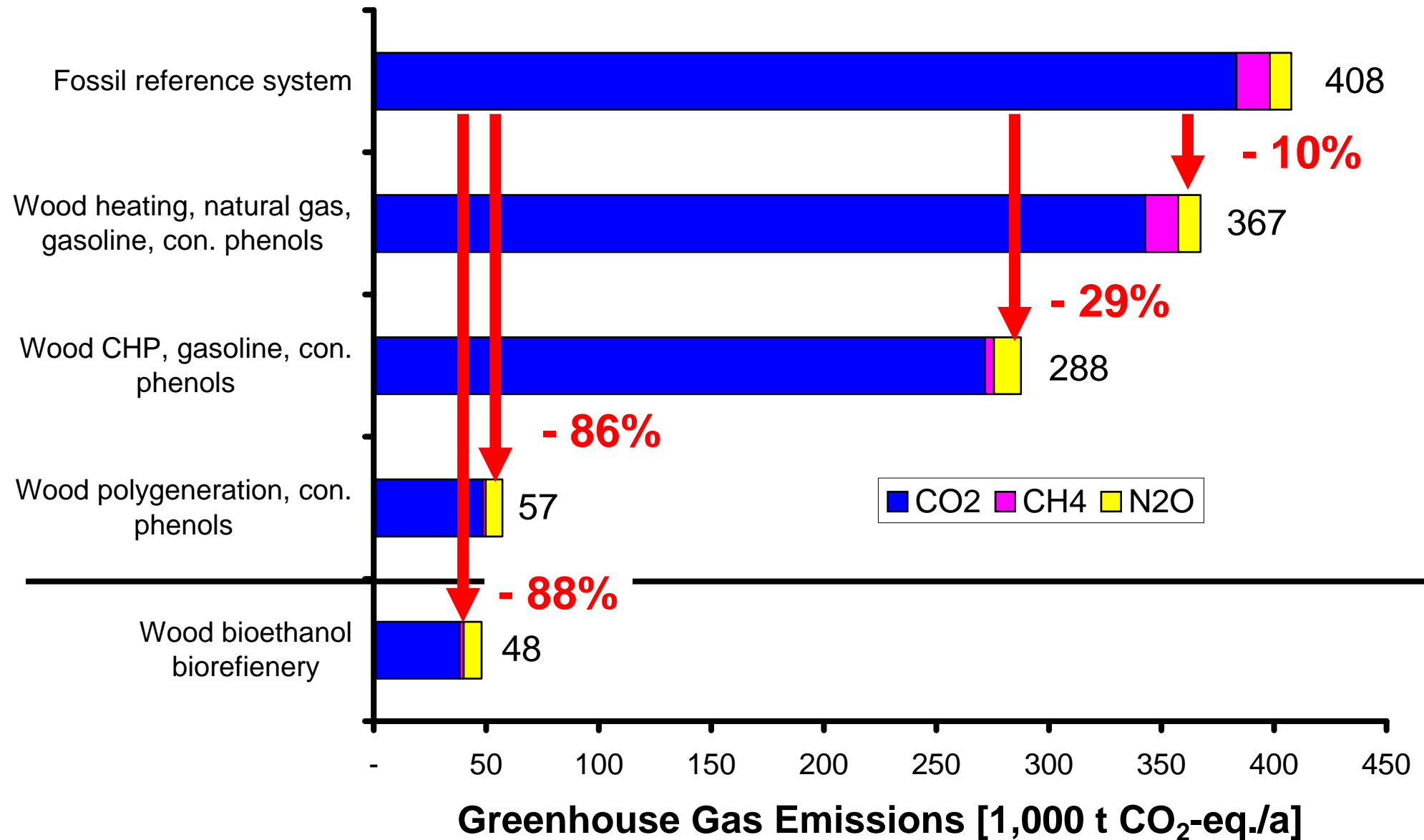
System Description for Example Environmental Evaluation

Systems	Supplied energy services			
	Heat 110 GWh/a	Electricity 175 GWh/a	Transportation service *) 1,000 Mio. km/a	Phenols 5,600 t/a
Wood bioethanol biorefinery	wood			
Wood polygeneration, con. phenols	wood			oil
Wood CHP **), gasoline, con. phenols	wood		gasoline	oil
Wood heating, natural gas, gasoline, con. phenols	wood	natural gas	gasoline	oil
Fossil reference system	oil	natural gas	gasoline	oil

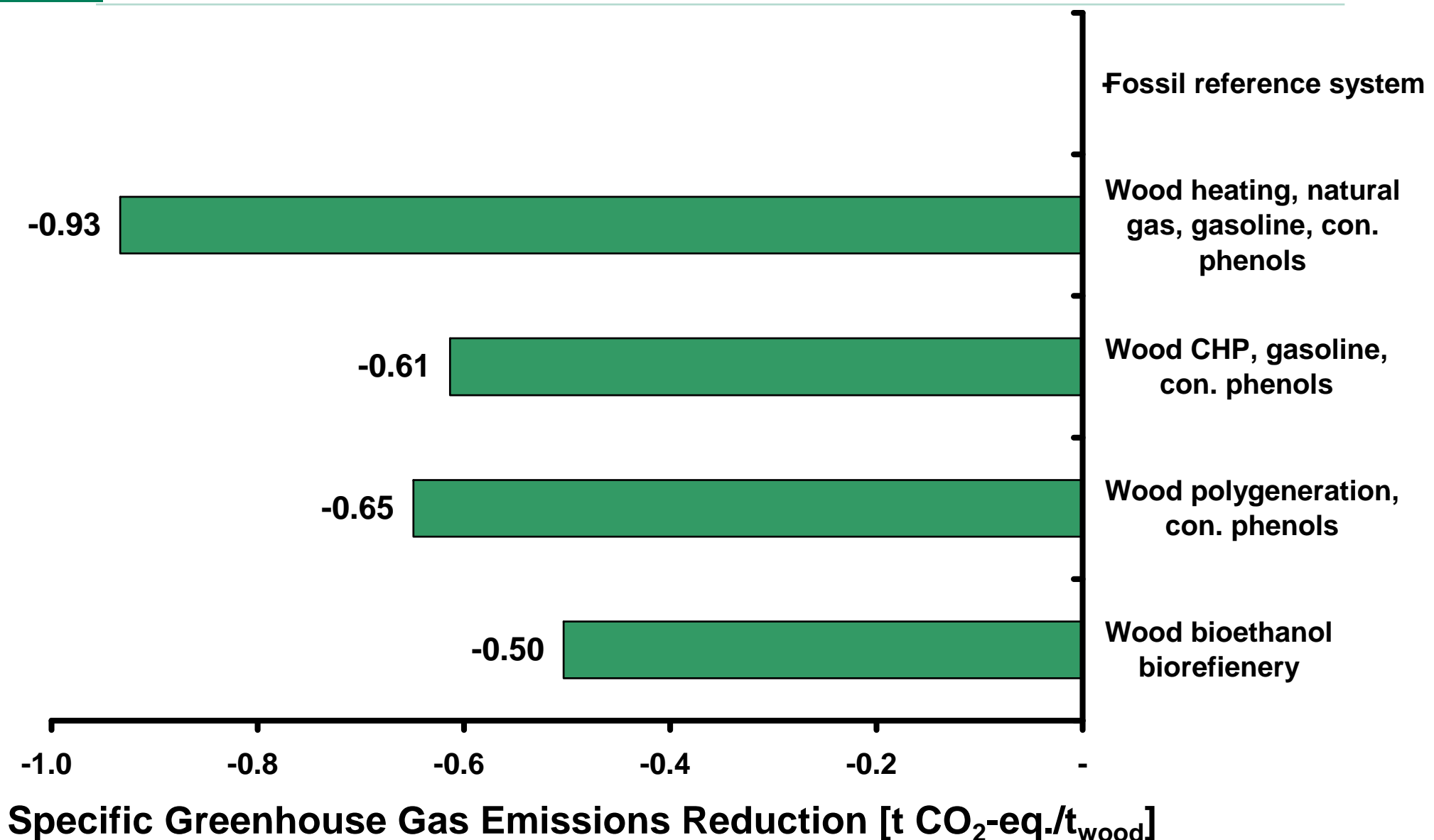
*) Bioethanol: 100.000 t/a

**) Combined heat and power

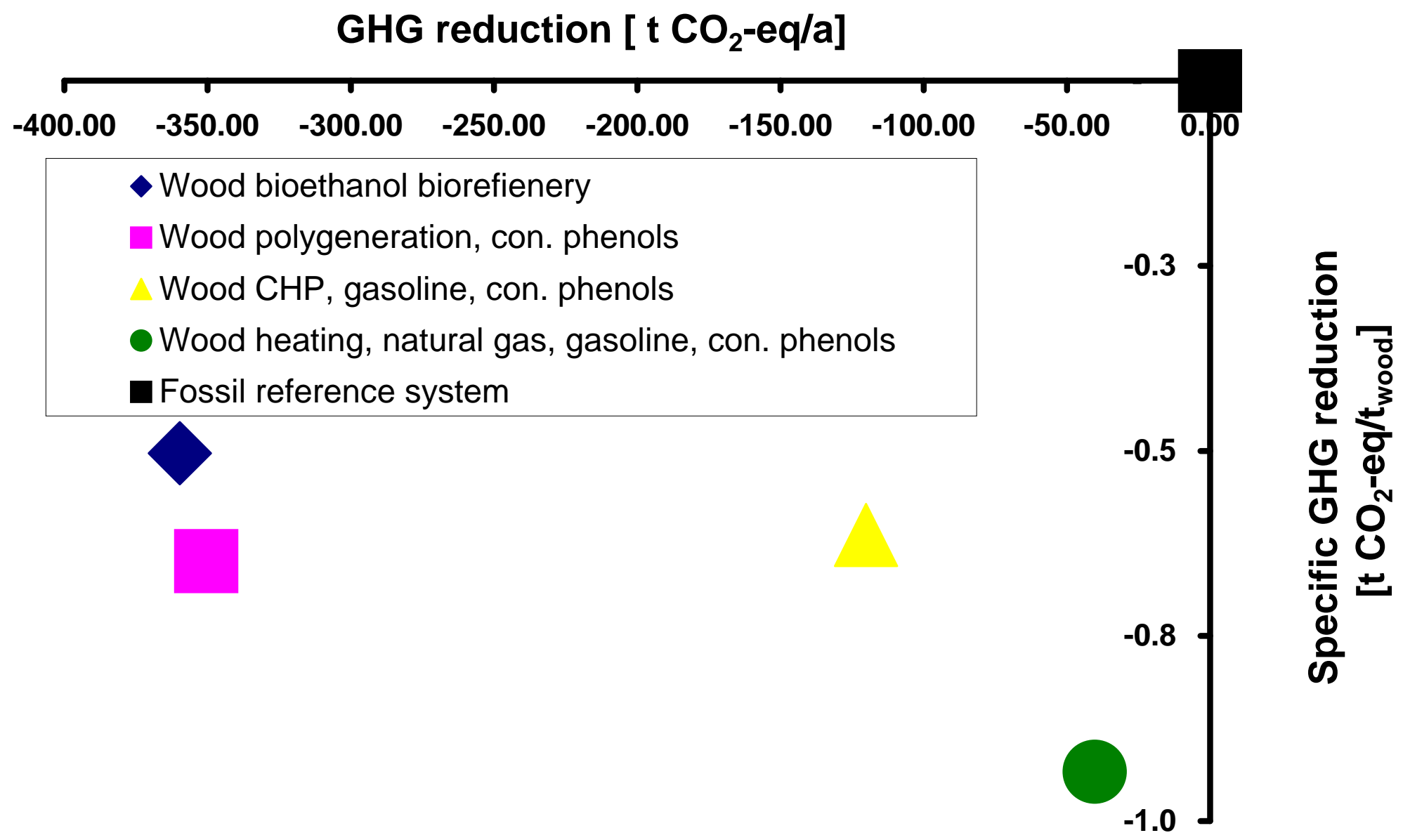
Greenhouse Gas Emissions



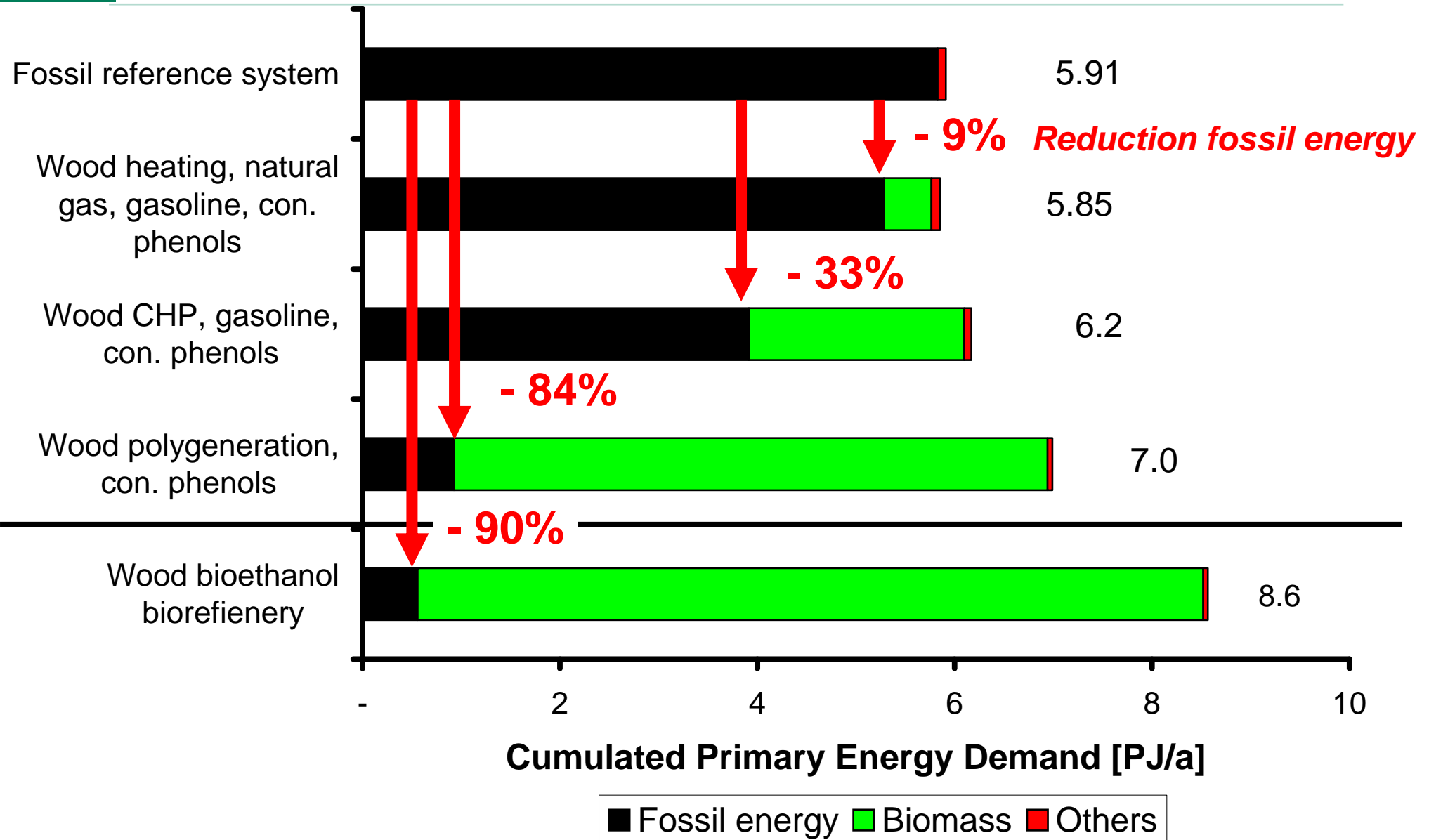
Indicator for Environmental Evaluation: Specific GHG Reduction



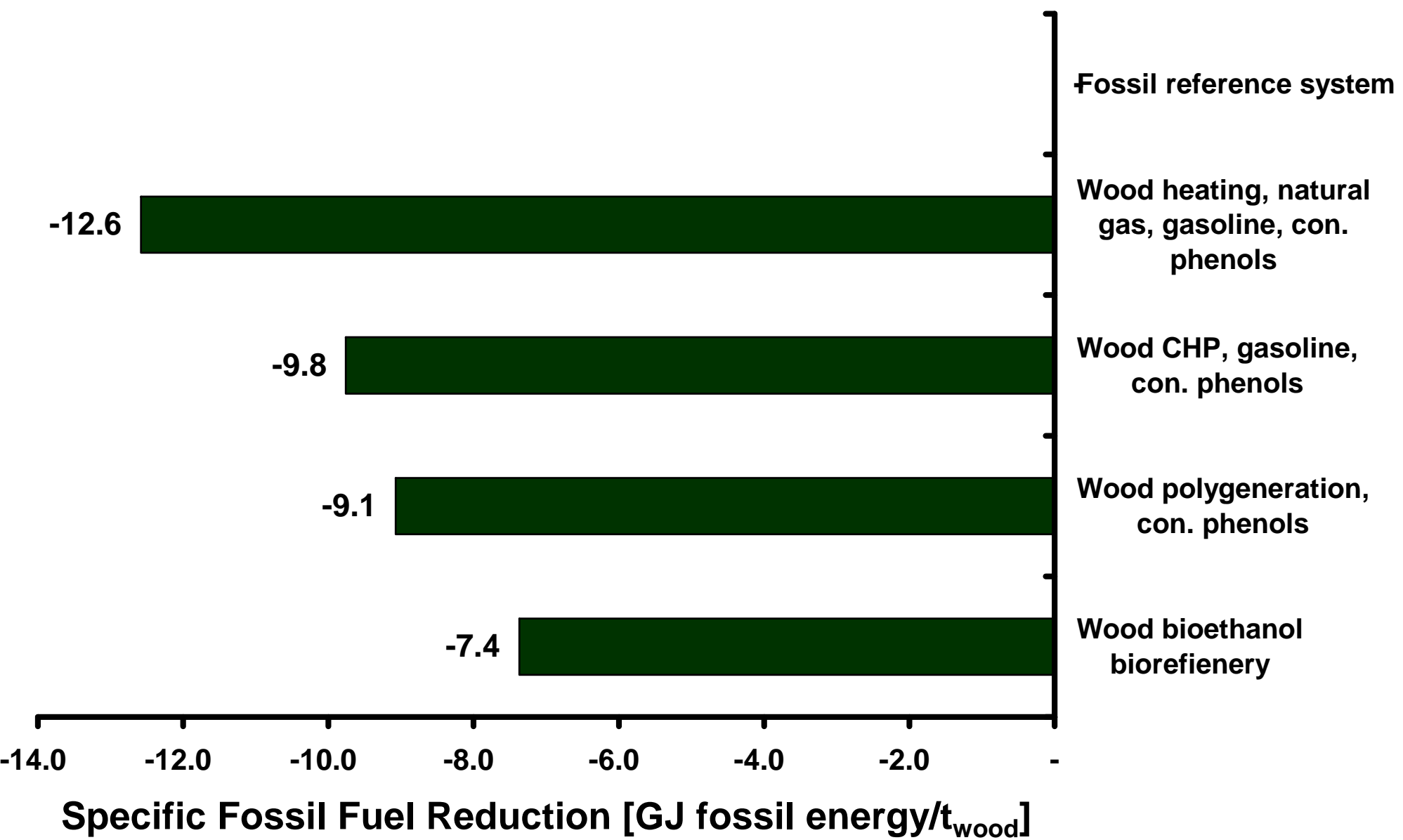
Indicator for Environmental Evaluation: Trade Off (I)



Cumulated Primary Energy Demand

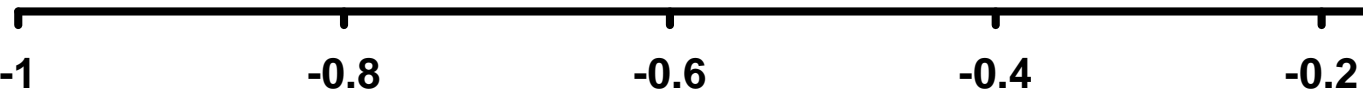


Indicator for Environmental Evaluation: Specific Fossil Fuel Reduction

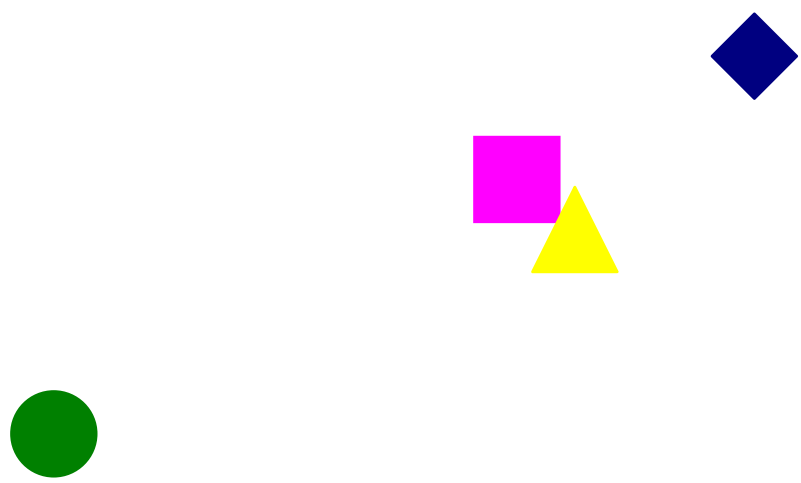
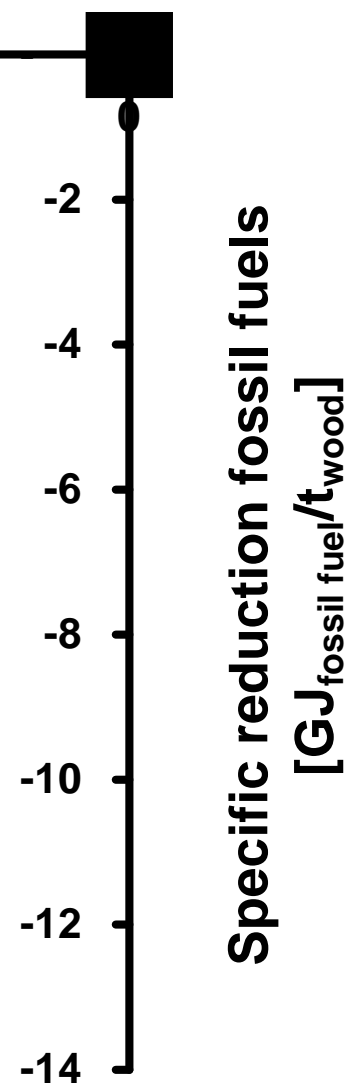


Indicator for Environmental Evaluation: Trade Off (II)

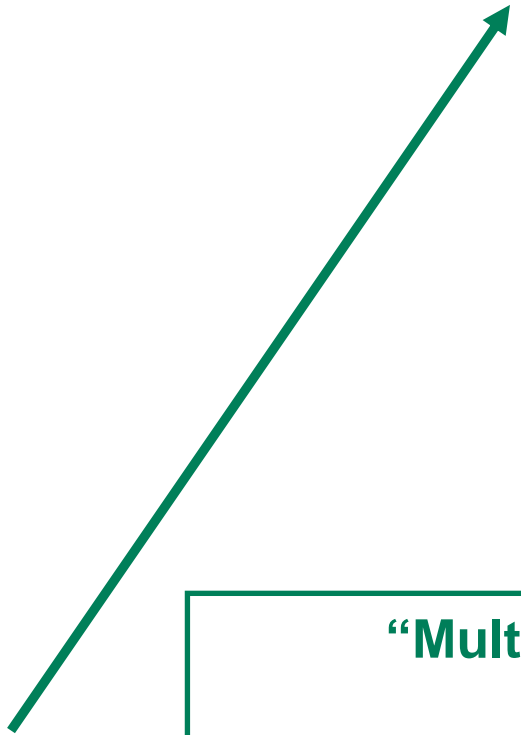
Specific GHG reduction [t CO₂-eq/t_{wood}]



- ◆ Wood bioethanol biorefienery
- Wood polygeneration, con. phenols
- ▲ Wood CHP, gasoline, con. phenols
- Wood heating, natural gas, gasoline, con. phenols
- Fossil reference system



Conclusions



**Indicators developed for environmental evaluation
CO₂-eq and fossil fuel saving (specific/absolut terms)**

Evaluation of biorefinery systems is possible

**“Multi-platform biorefinery system” might be biorefinery
complex of the future**

**Many different biorefinery systems – focus on transportation biofuels
orientated systems**