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How big is the SOFC marketplace?

1 gigawatt?

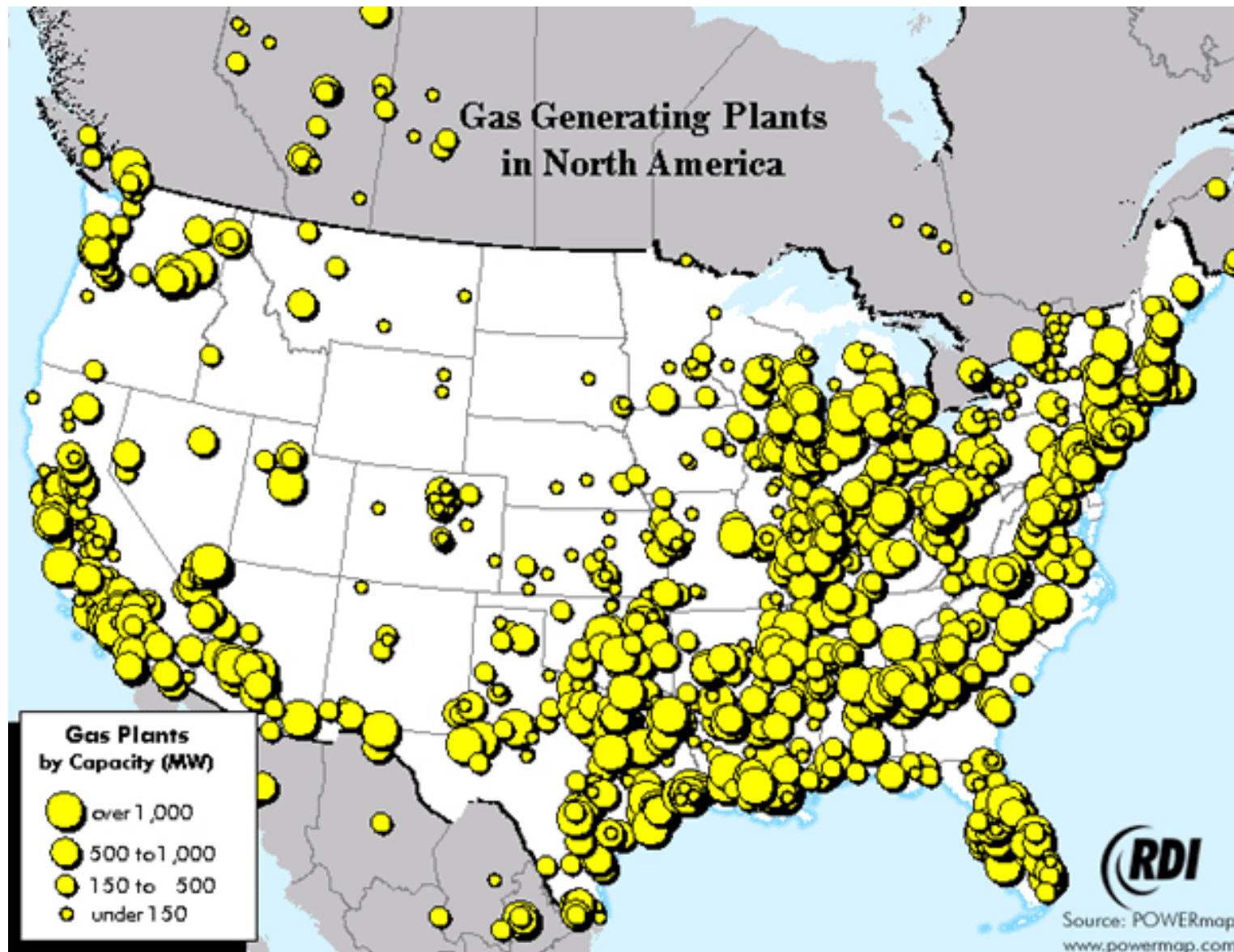
1 gigawatt?

10 gigawatt?

1 gigawatt?

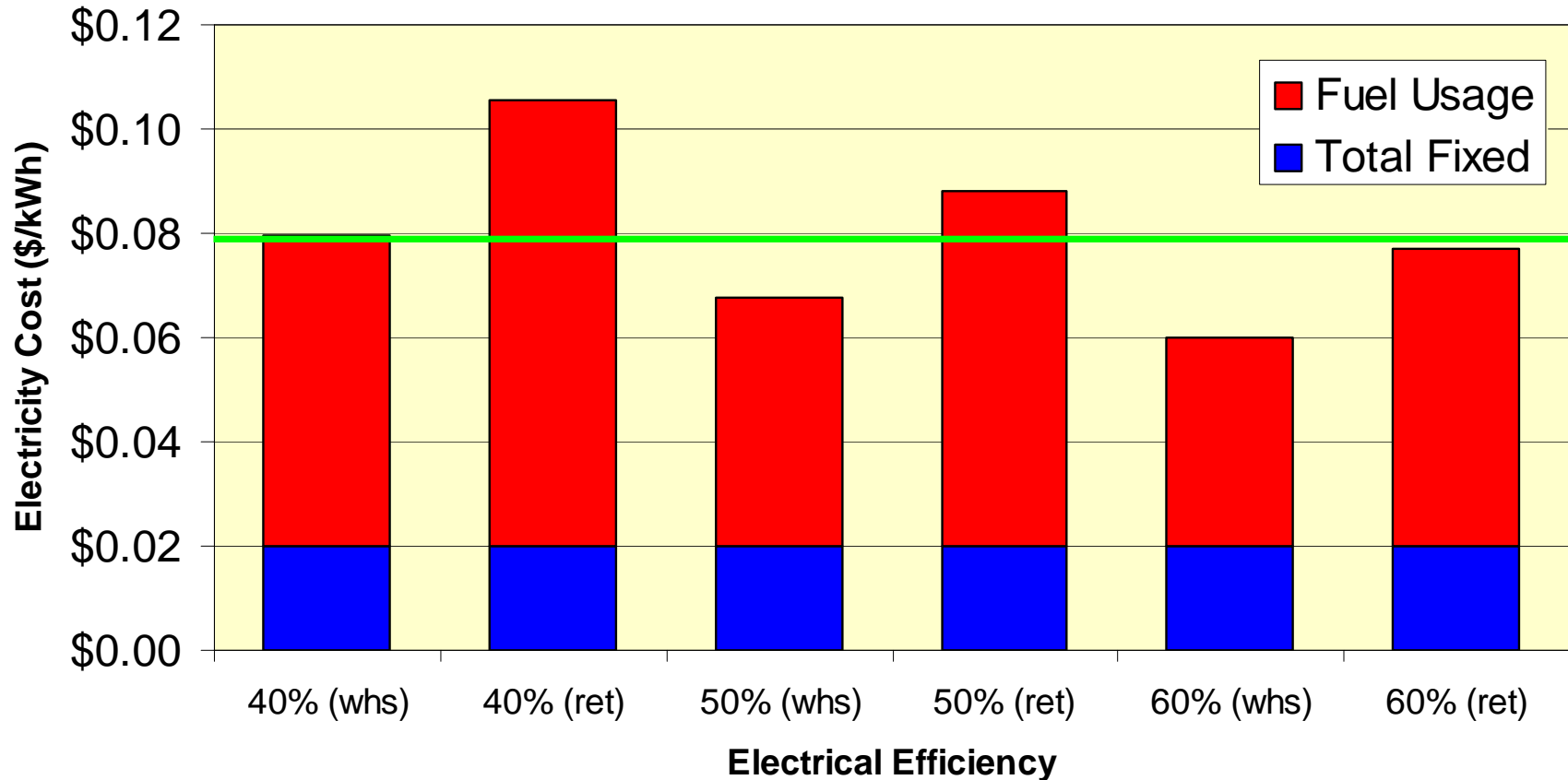
10 gigawatt?

100 gigawatt?



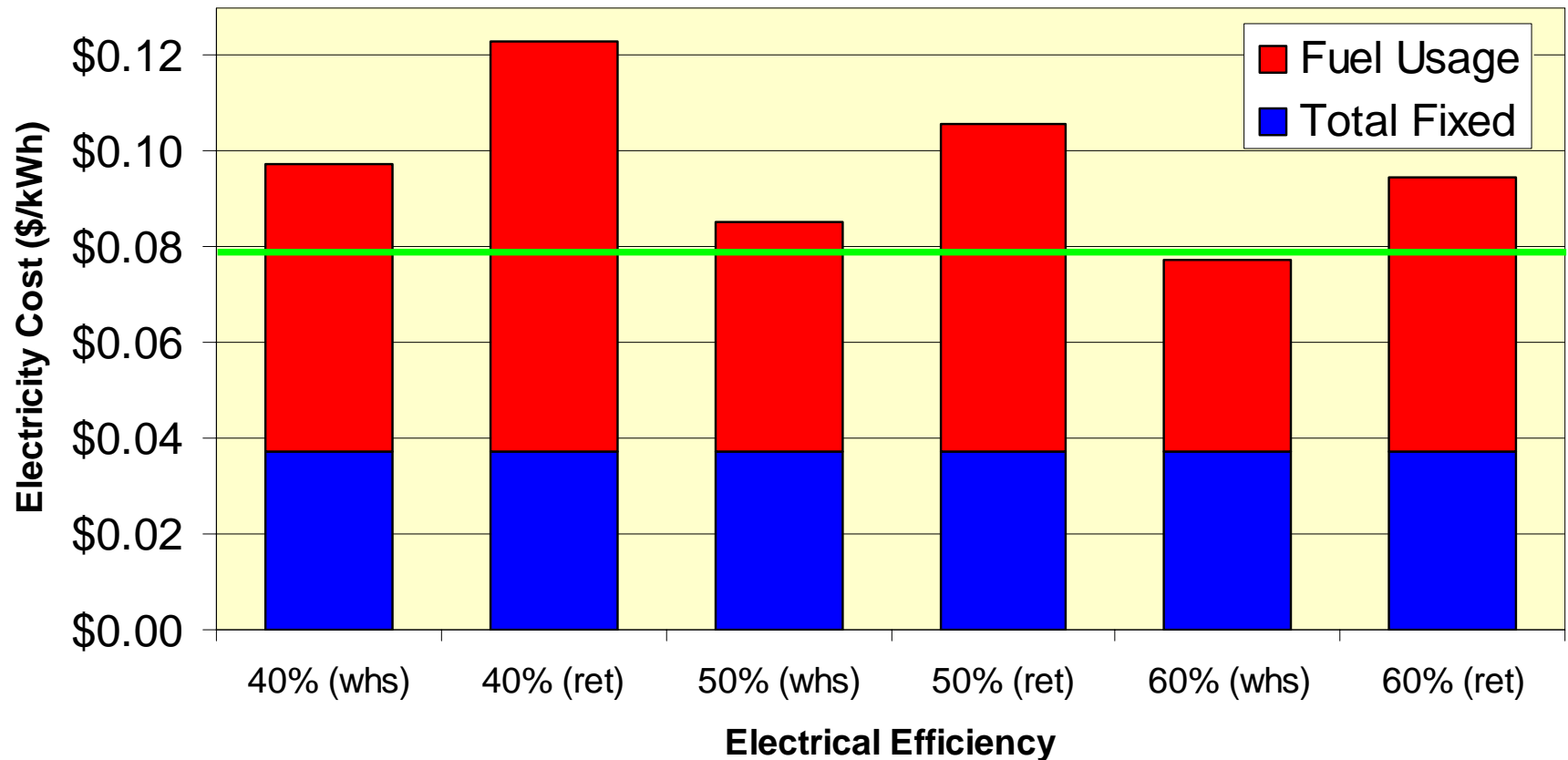
SECA Target (\$400/kW, 40 khrs)

(PNG Cost: \$7 (whs), \$10 (ret) per MMBTU)



\$1000/kW, 40 khrs

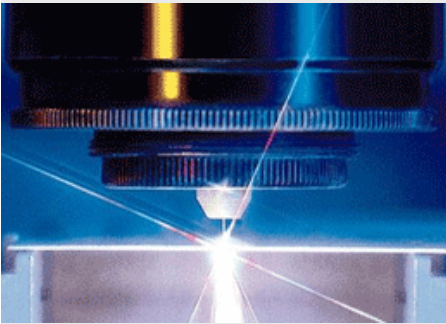
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40% → 1 GW

50% → 10 GW

60% → 100 GW



Commercial Success Depends On:

- Low cost/ high volume manufacturing
- High fuel cell efficiency

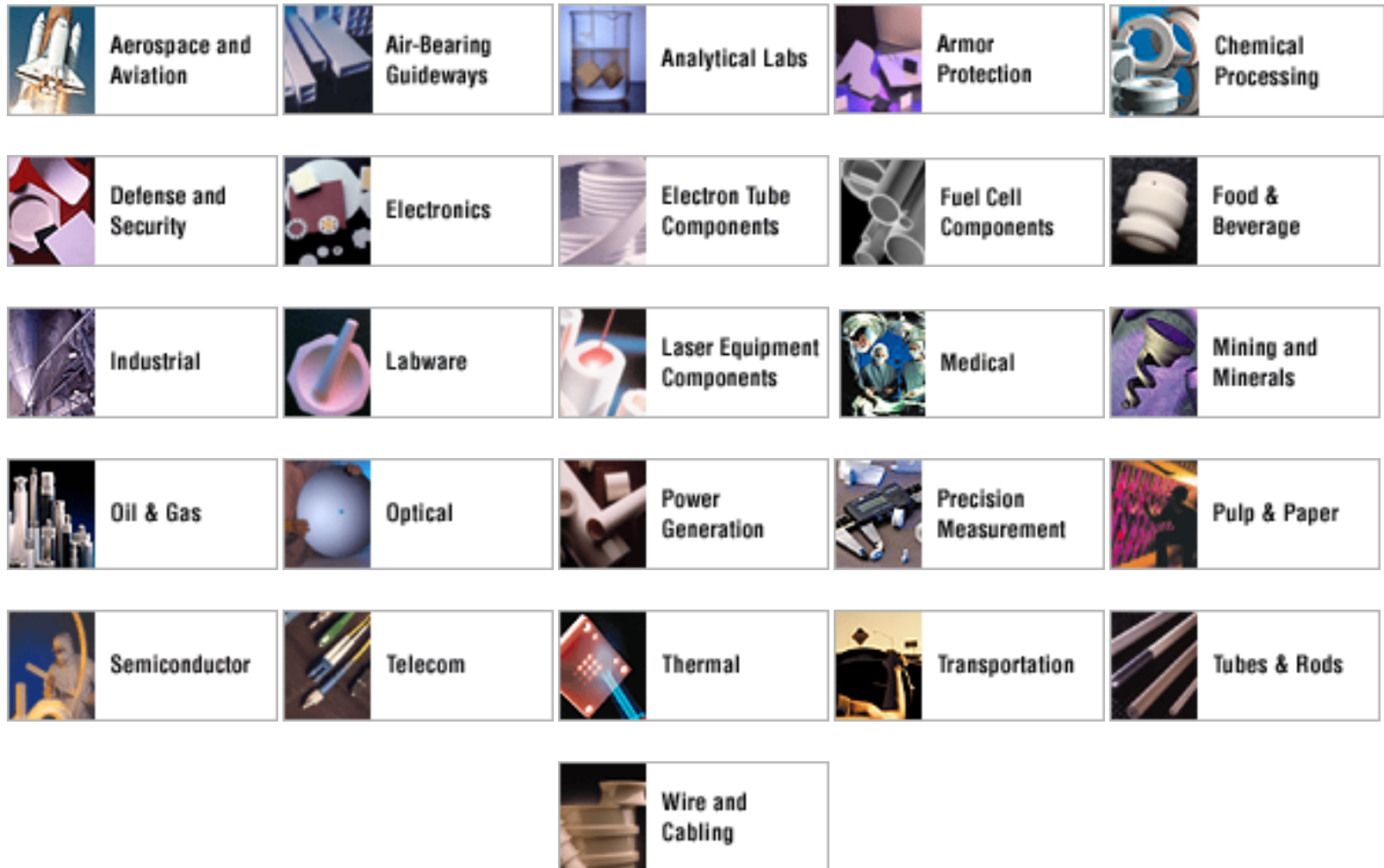
Pathway to Low Cost/ High Volume Manufacturing

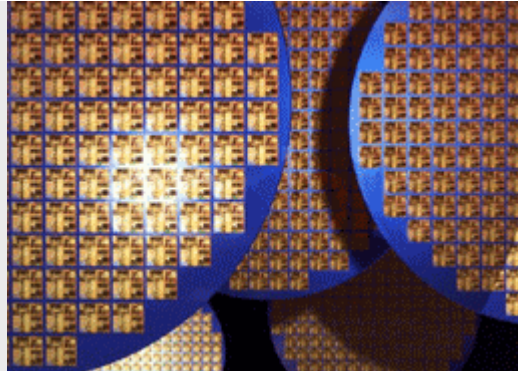
Serving our customers where they need us...



...from 18 facilities and over two million square feet worldwide!

Serving virtually every industry in the global economy...

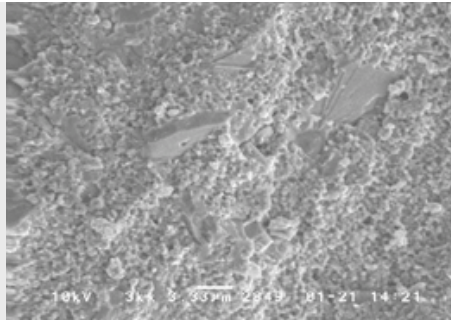




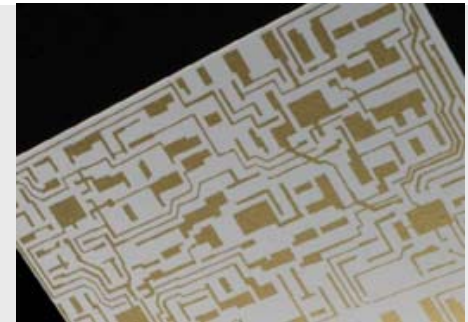
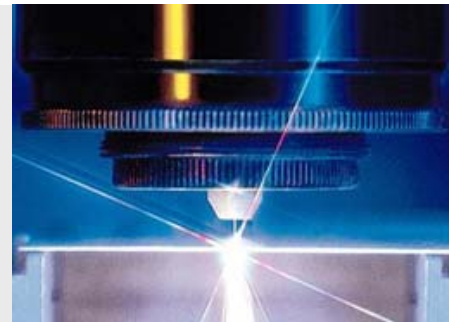
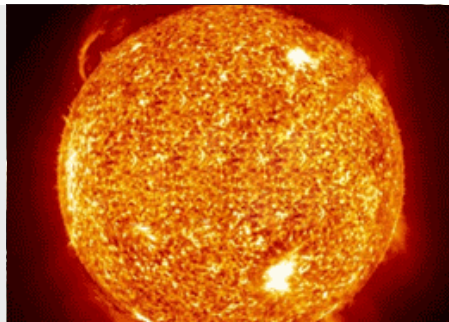
Our strategy is to provide value in many diverse markets by employing our **Core Business Strengths** in expanding or developing technology niches.

- Custom Engineering
- Materials Expertise
- Operational Excellence
- *Rapid Execution!*

From materials design to the finished component, our vertically-integrated manufacturing ensures quality throughout the process...



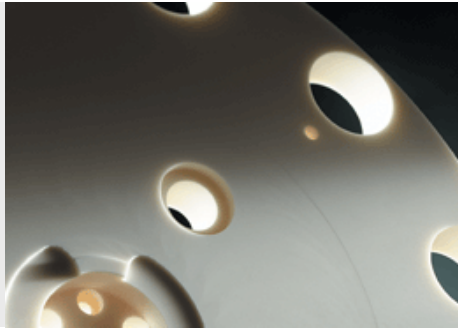
Materials Design —————> Material Preparation —————> Forming



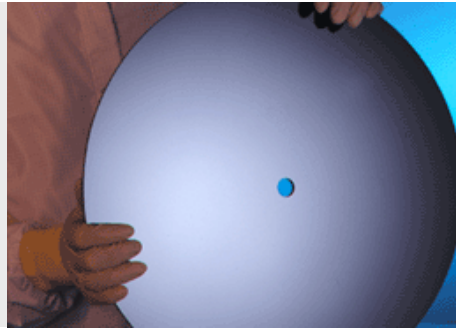
Sintering —————> Machining —————> Finishing

CoorsTek solves customer challenges using a very large variety of materials...

Technical Ceramics

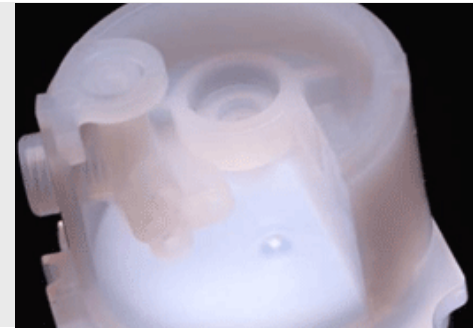


High-Purity Aluminas

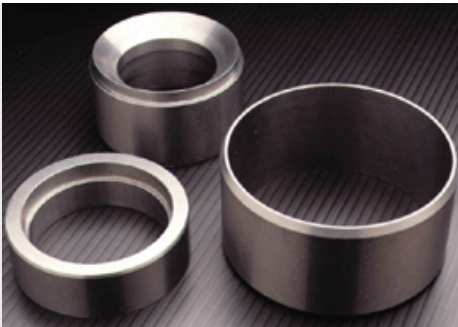


Silicon Carbides

High-Performance Plastics



High-Temperature Fluoropolymers



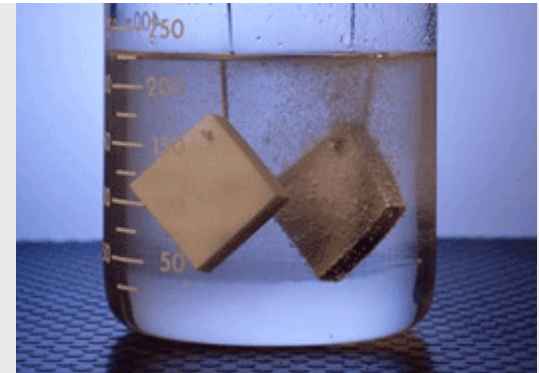
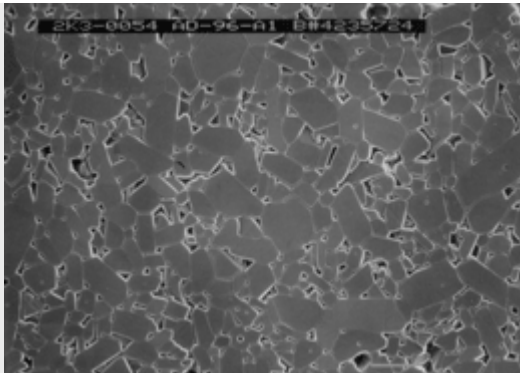
Tungsten Carbides



Zirconias



Elastomers and Teflons



- Powder characterization
 - BET, sedigraph
- Physical
 - Density, mercury, porosimetry
 - Phase assemblage by XRD
- Chemical composition
 - ICP-OES, XRF, Laser
 - Ablation-MS
 - ICP-MS
- Mechanical
 - Flexural, compressive, tensile
 - Strength, modulus, hardness, wear

- Thermal
 - Expansion
 - DSC, DTA, TGA
- Electrical
 - Dielectric constant, loss tangent
 - Volume resistivity
- Microstructural analysis
 - Digital SEM
 - EDS
- Failure analysis



OpX is a hybrid of several best-practice techniques including lean manufacturing, quality control systems, and six sigma/black belt continuous improvement.



ISO, QS, and TS-compliant manufacturing



State-of-the-art manufacturing facilities – over TWO MILLION square feet of manufacturing capacity worldwide!



Lean manufacturing techniques

Metric: 1Kg powder/1kW electricity



1 metric ton of powder = **1MW**

1000 metric tons ~ 1GW





Mill Raw Materials

1MW/load, 1-2charges/day

1/2 GW/year



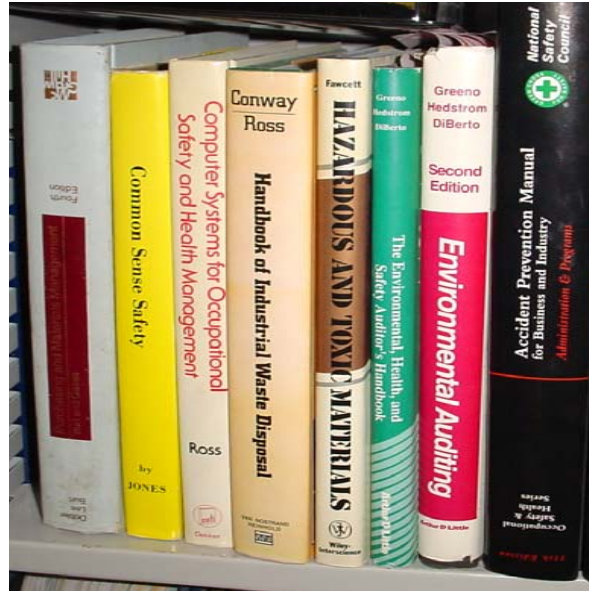
Spray Dry Milled Body

2MW/hour

6-7 GW/year



Regulations



Chemical Handling



Waste Collection and Treatment





Water Treatment

Waste Disposal





400,000 fired ft/year

40MW/year

1/25 GW/year



1MW/2-3 days

**1/10-1/5
GW/year**





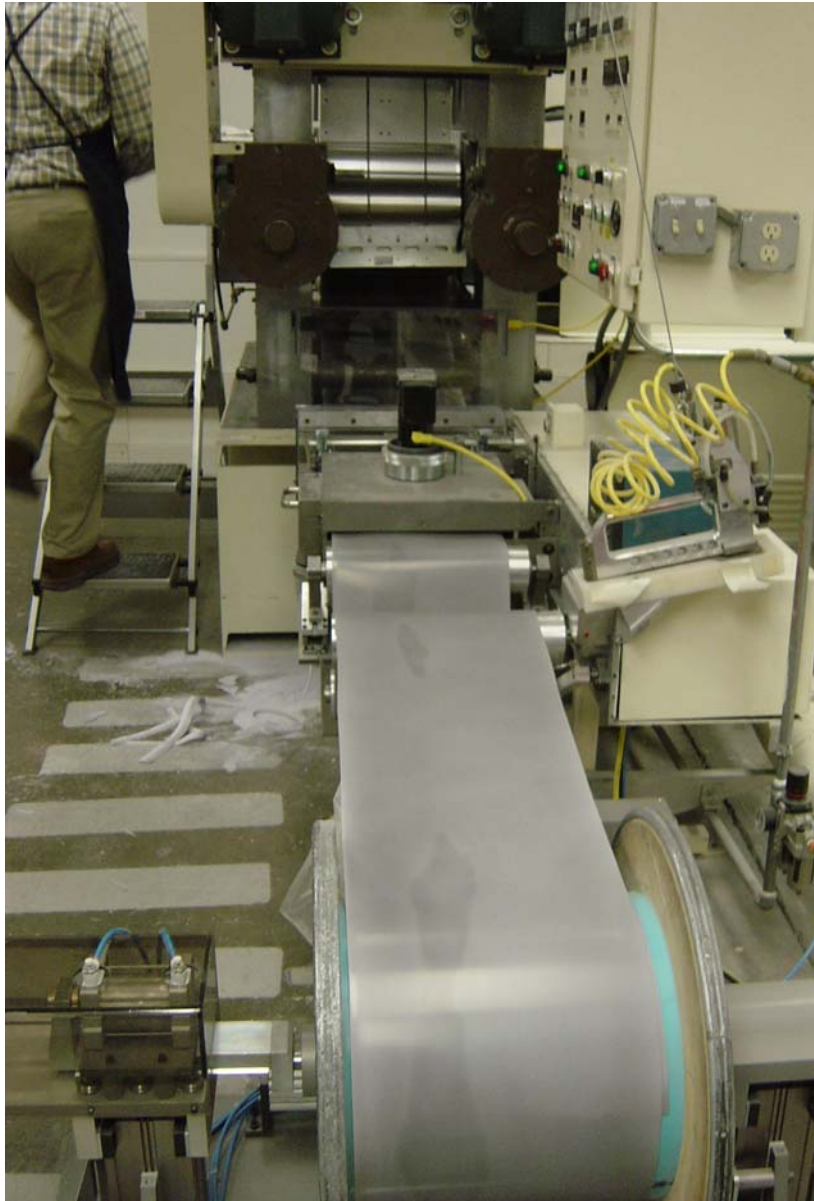
3-7 m/hour, 17cm wide

0.5-1.2m²/hour

7-20MW/year



**1/50 or less of a
GW/year**



300 ft/hour, 1ft wide

235 miles/year

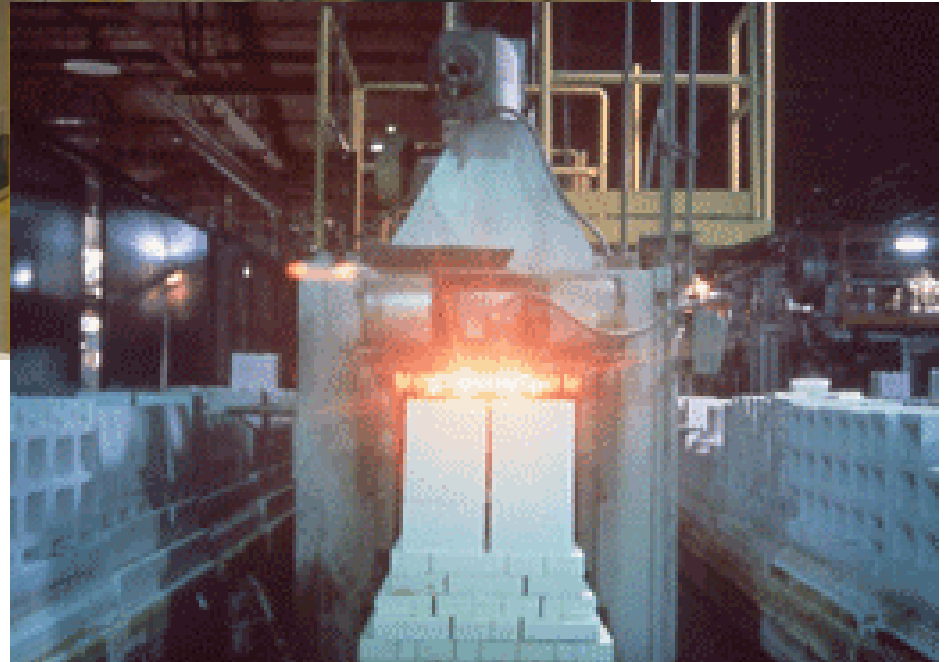
>500 GW/year



12cars/day

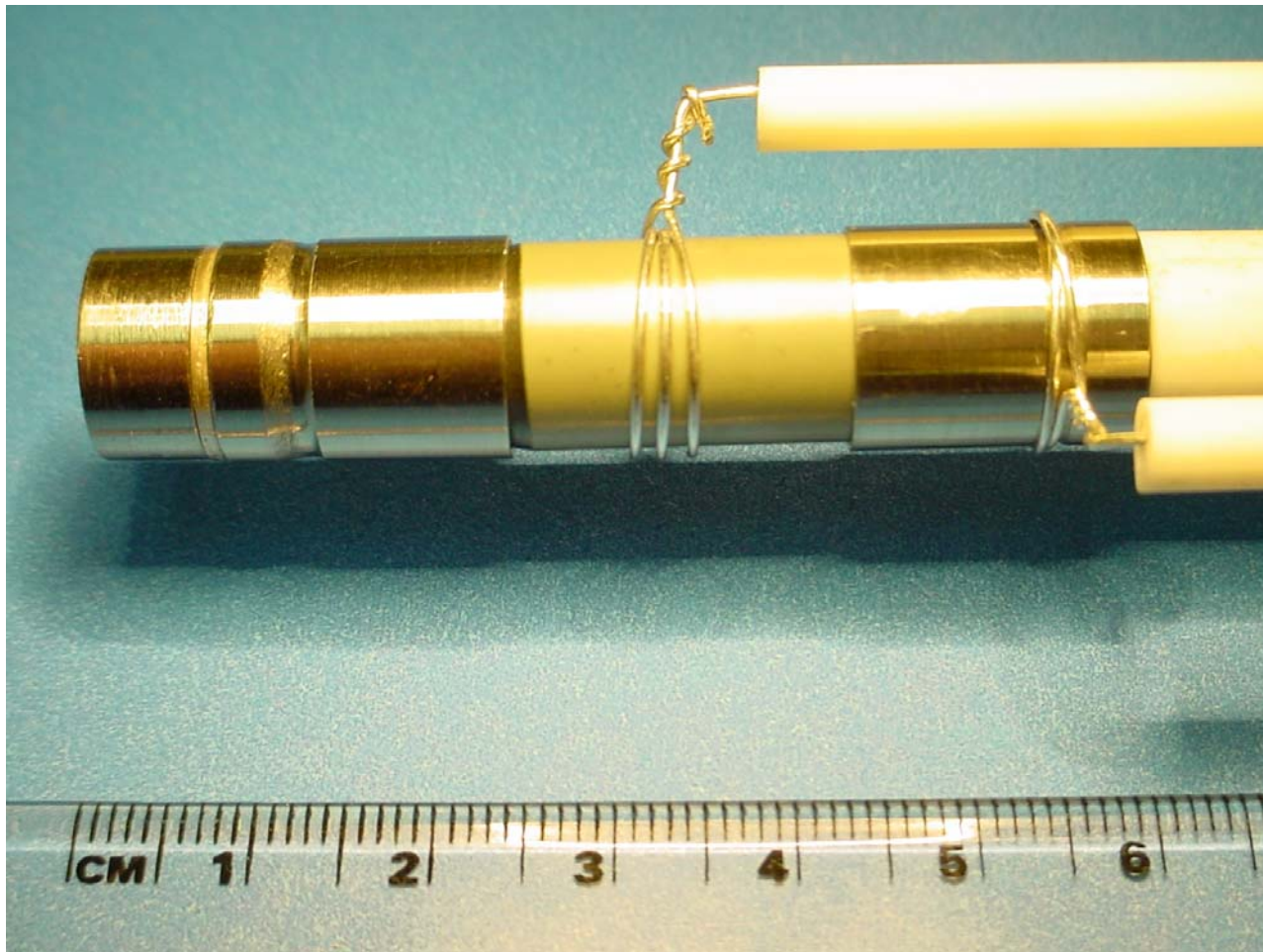
45ft³/car

1GW/year

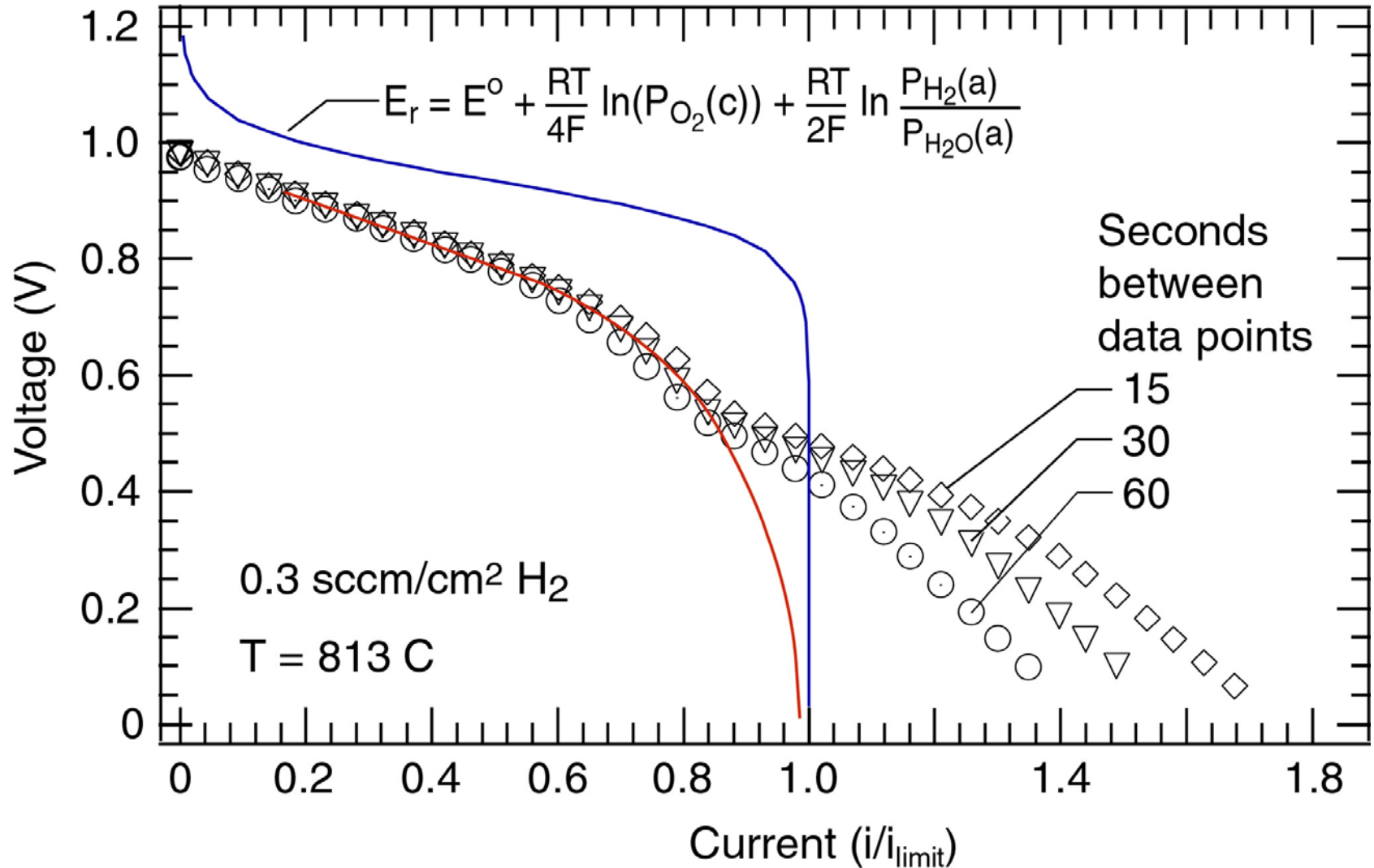


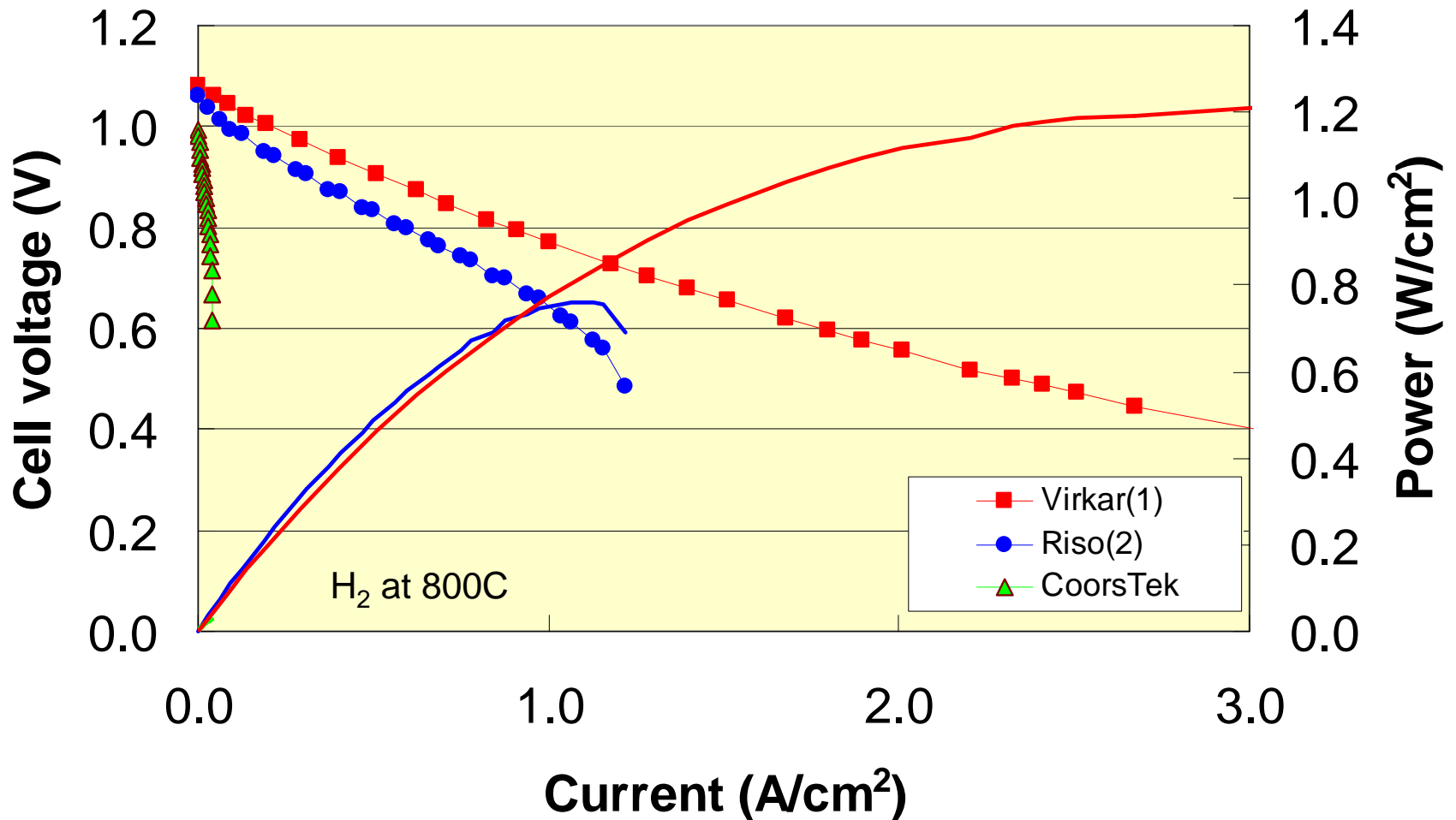
- Develop strategic raw material infrastructure
- Design with cost-effective mfg. processes early on
- 10 GW by 2010? –
we better get busy

Pathway to High Efficiency



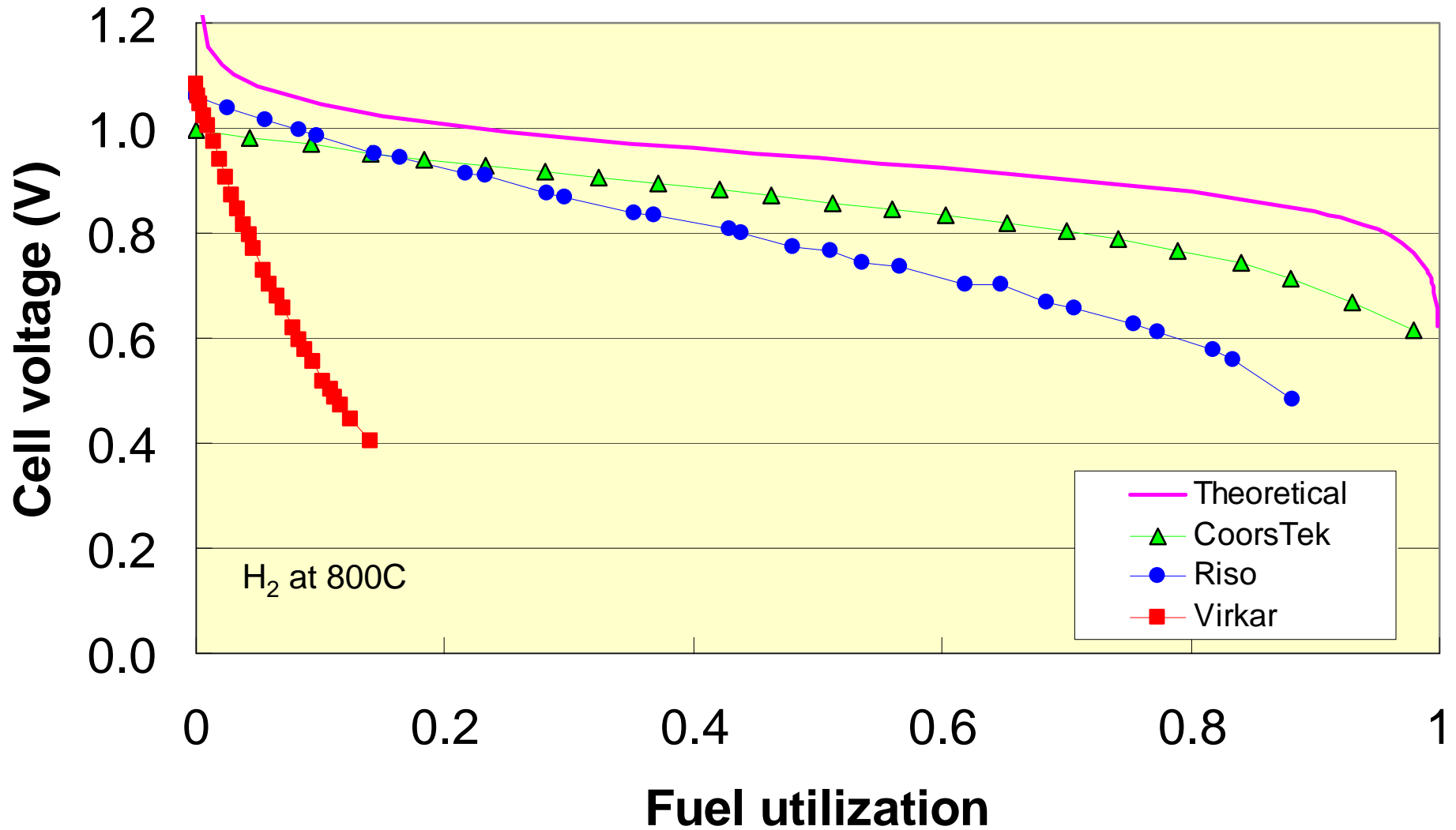
5 cm² active area, isobaric
Approximates a CSTR

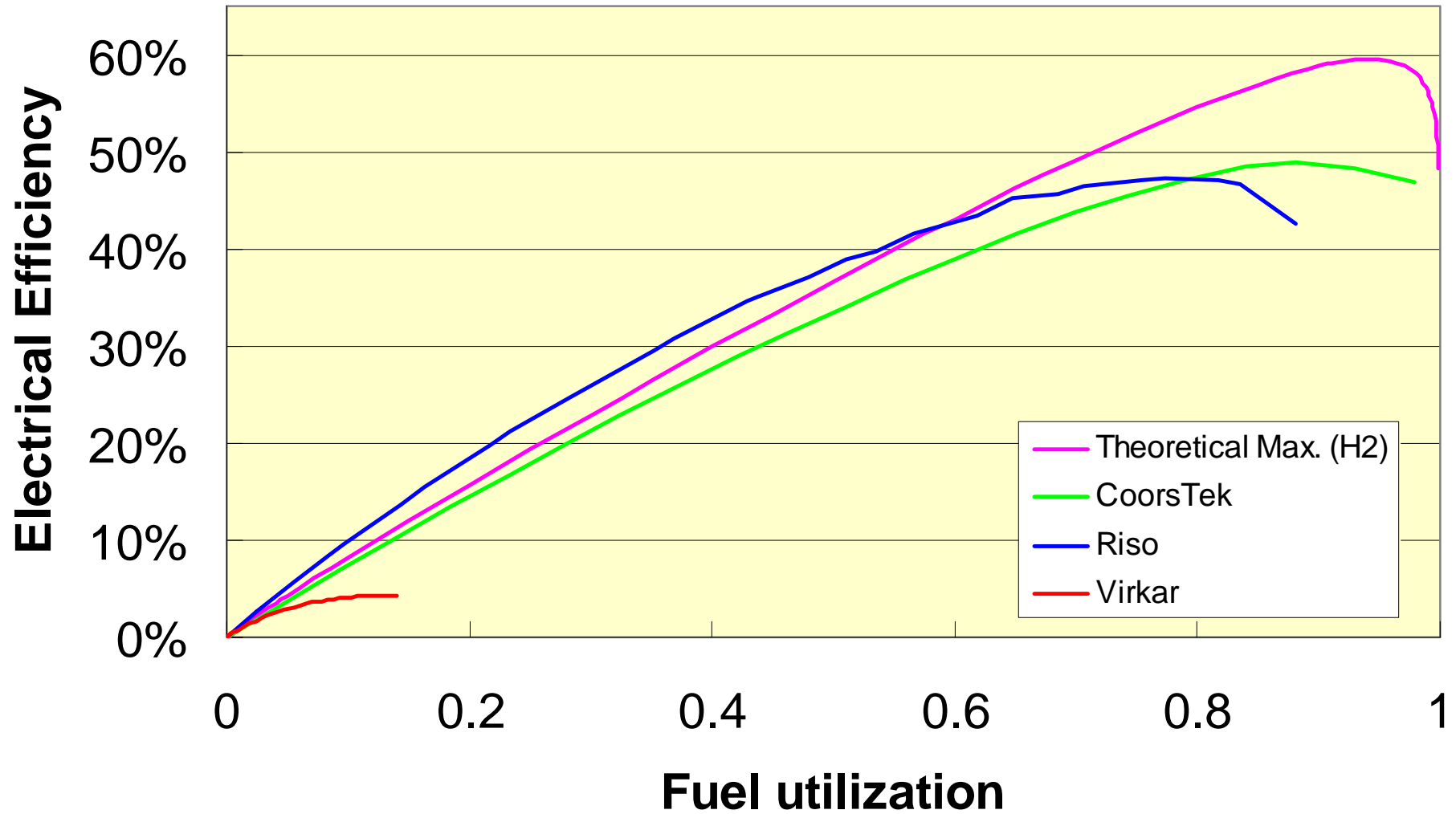


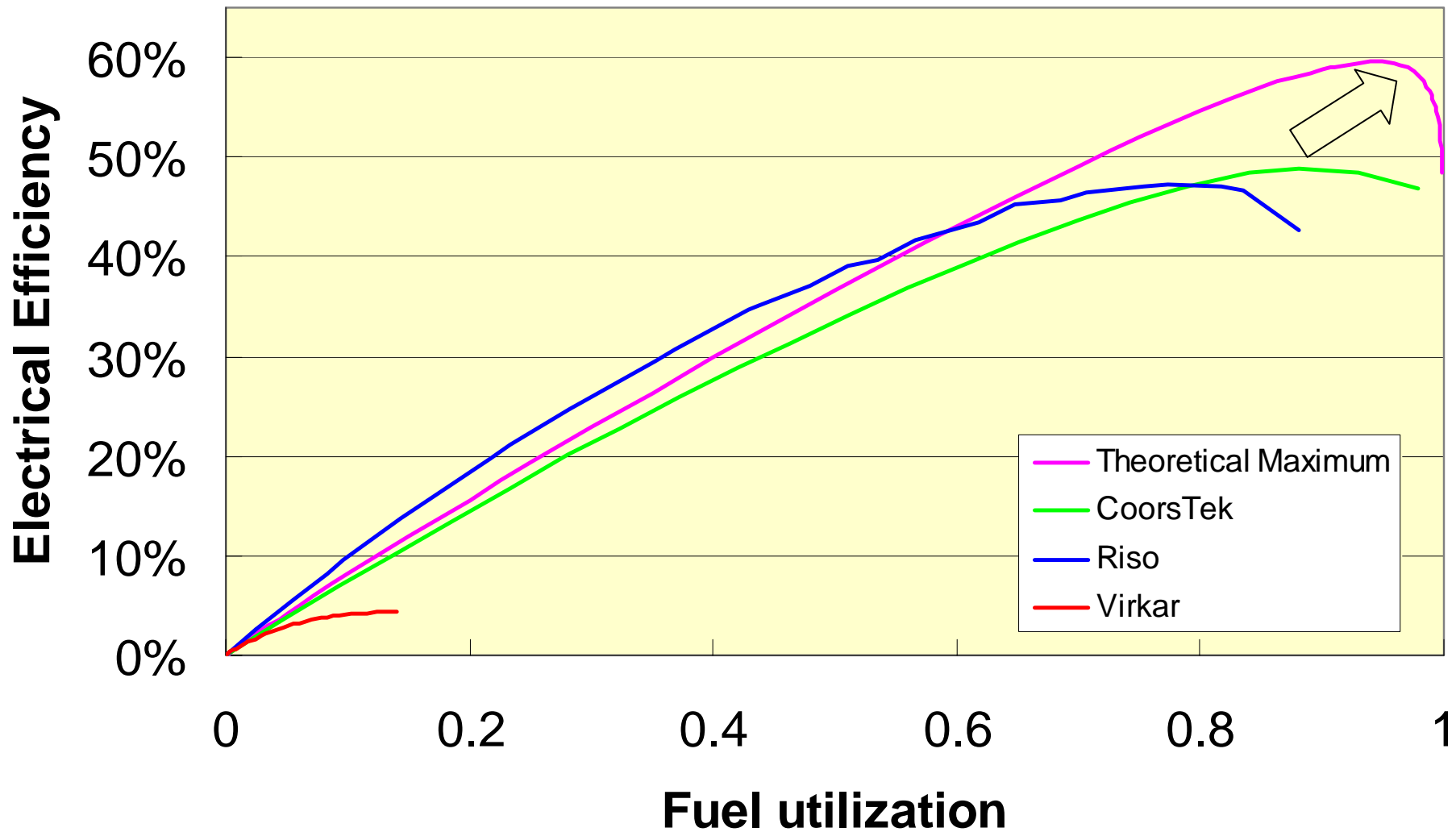


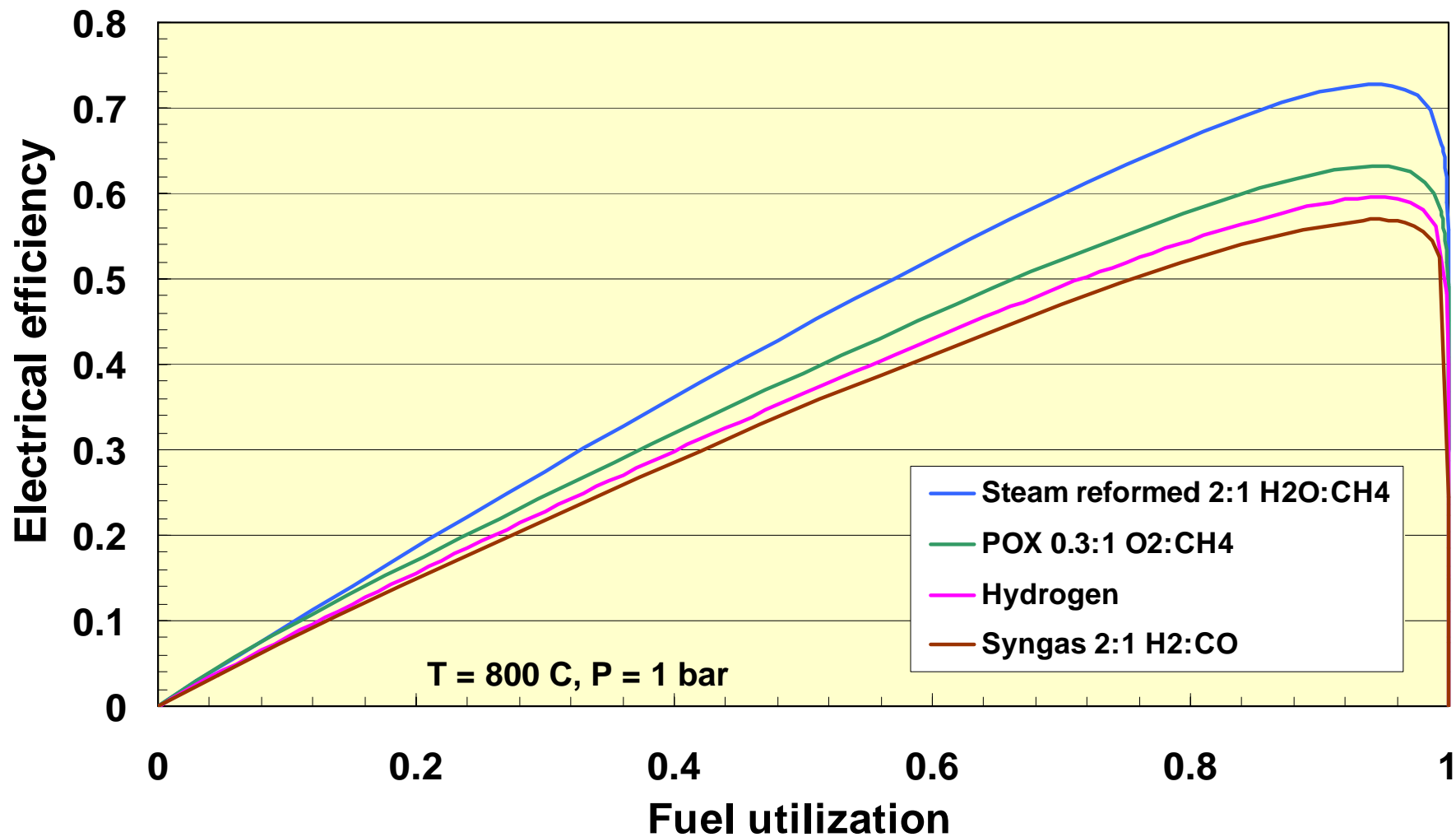
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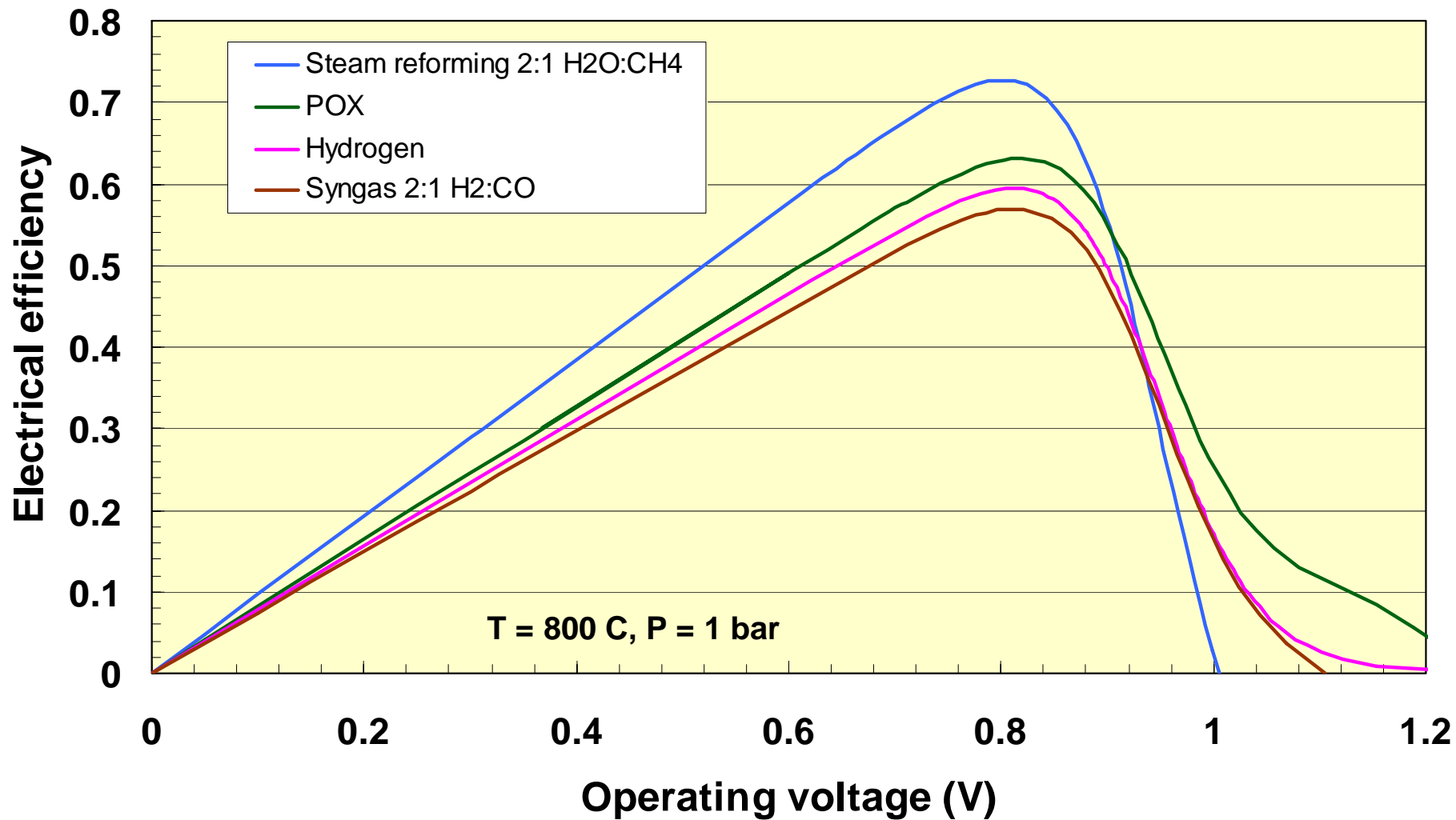
(2) M. Mogensen and P. Hendricksen, Fig. 10.7, High Temperature Solid Oxide Fuel Cells, Singhal and Kendall, Ed. (2004)











- Cell and short stack testing near I_{lim}
- Assess impact of design variants on η_e (tubular vs. planar)
- Evaluate cost/performance of raw materials (eg. pre-calcined 8YSZ vs. “reaction sintered”)

- Test hydrocarbon fuels at high U_f
- Better understand anode oxidation
- Assess impact of gas impurities at high fuel utilization (eq. sulfur)
- Realign power density expectations
(Can affordable systems be constructed at 100 mW/cm²?)

- Cost and Efficiency must be addressed together
- SECA cost targets must be met at $>50\% \eta_e$
- Begin developing The Ceramic Manufacturing Industrial Base **now**
(need ~ 10,000 tonnes by 2010)