



Eight Gardens, London, UK

Built with ECOPact with a 64% lower CO2 footprint

CCUS – THE MINERALIZATION PATHWAY FOR A NET-ZERO FUTURE

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**BUILDING PROGRESS FOR
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THE CEMENT AND CONCRETE INDUSTRY IN CANADA

14 Cement Plants

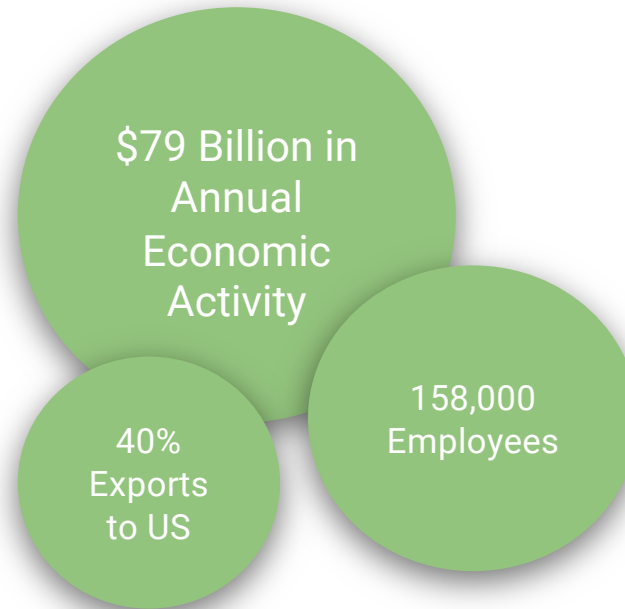
1,000 Ready mix concrete plants

58 Precast concrete plants

35 Concrete pipe plants

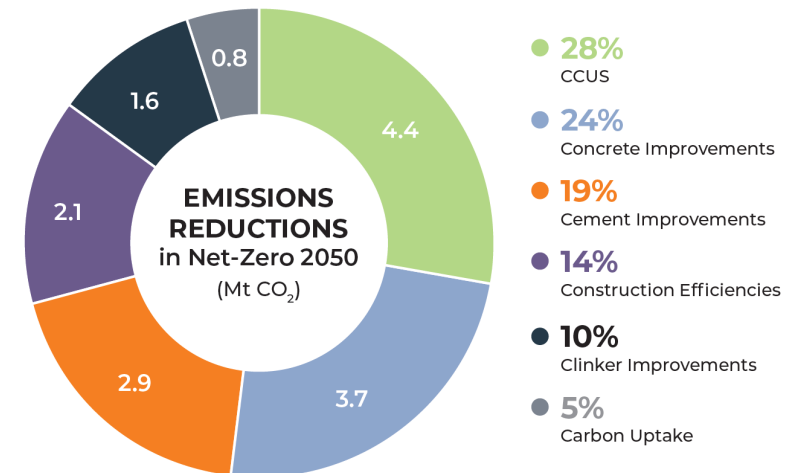
12 Insulated concrete form plants

35 Concrete masonry plants



13 million tonnes of Cement produced in Canada each year with emissions of 9.7 MT of CO₂ in 2020

Concrete Zero RoadMap

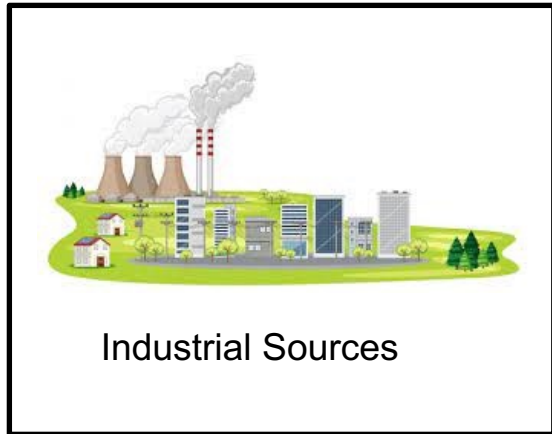


What is Mineralization?

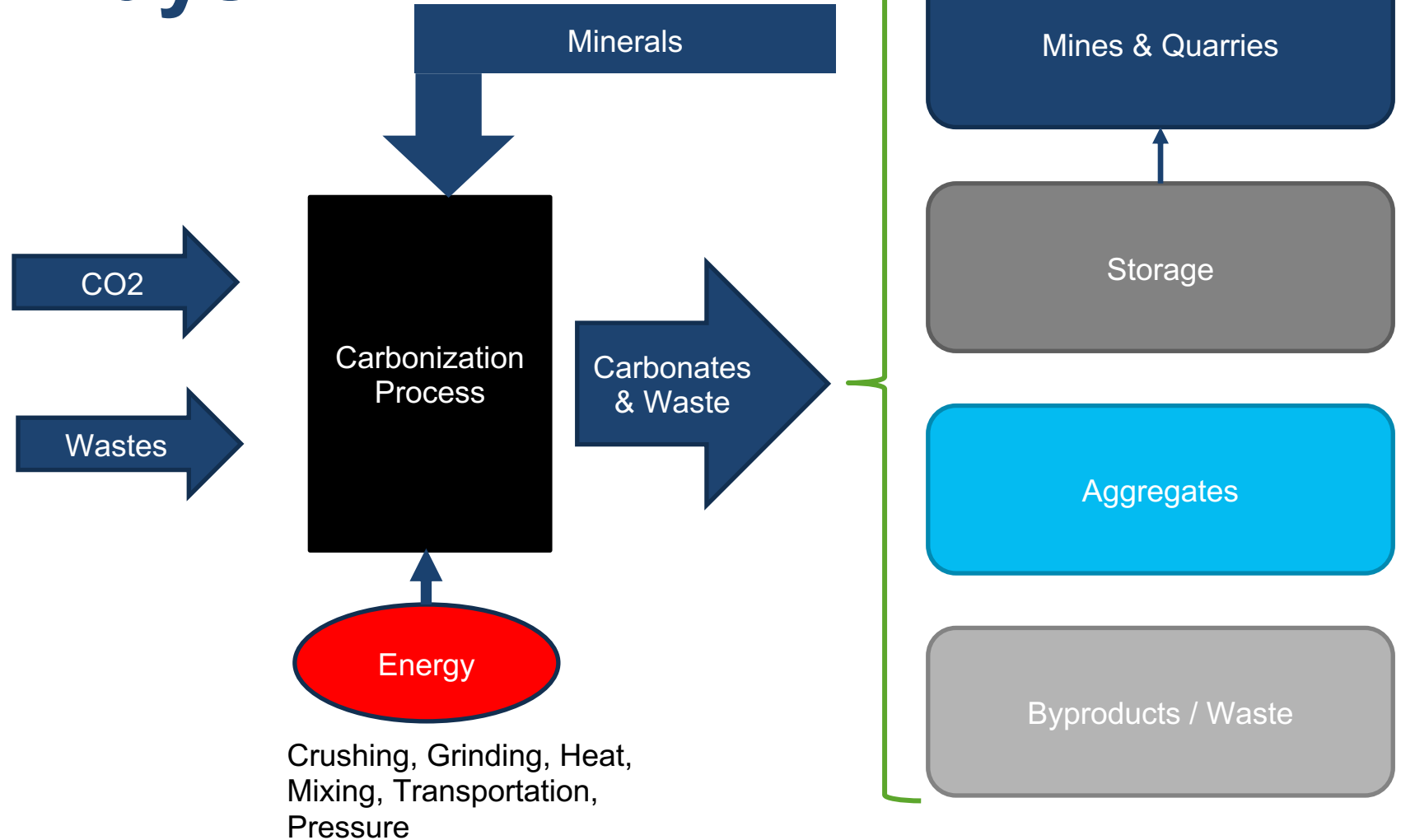
- **Mineralization or mineral carbonation is the reaction of CO₂ with metal oxide bearing materials to form insoluble carbonates.**
 - Occurs naturally over millennia in a process called silicate weathering
 - Concrete will also carbonate over time
- **R_{CO₂} is the ratio of the mass of mineral needed to the mass of CO₂ captured at 100% efficiency**
- **Chemistry MO + CO₂ → MCO₃ + Heat**
 - M = divalent metals & alkaline earth metals (e.g. Ca, Mg, Fe)
 - Opposite of reactions in cement and lime production
 - Exothermic!
 - eg Wollastonite: $\text{CaSiO}_3 + \text{CO}_2 \rightarrow \text{CaCO}_3 + \text{SiO}_2 + 90 \text{ kJ/mol CO}_2$



Multiple Pathways



Wastes include ash, slags, concrete rubble, etc



The Case and the Challenges



Positive Features

- Chemical / permanent CO₂ fixation in products or CCS
- Exothermic chemistry
- Carbonate Sales
- Waste tipping fees
- Less (or no) flue gas clean up for mineral applications
- Basaltic & other mineral reserves exist in nature and in large quantities

Negative Features

- Significant tonnes of heavy oxide containing materials required
- Waste sources are limited and not globally available
- Sales of carbonates must compete with sales from depreciated assets producing lower cost products

Metal Oxide Sources

- Bivalent metals, alkaline earth metals
- Waste sources include: ash, slag, concrete rubble, CKD and so limit applicability
- Natural sources include: olivines, serpentine, enstatite, talc, and wollastonite

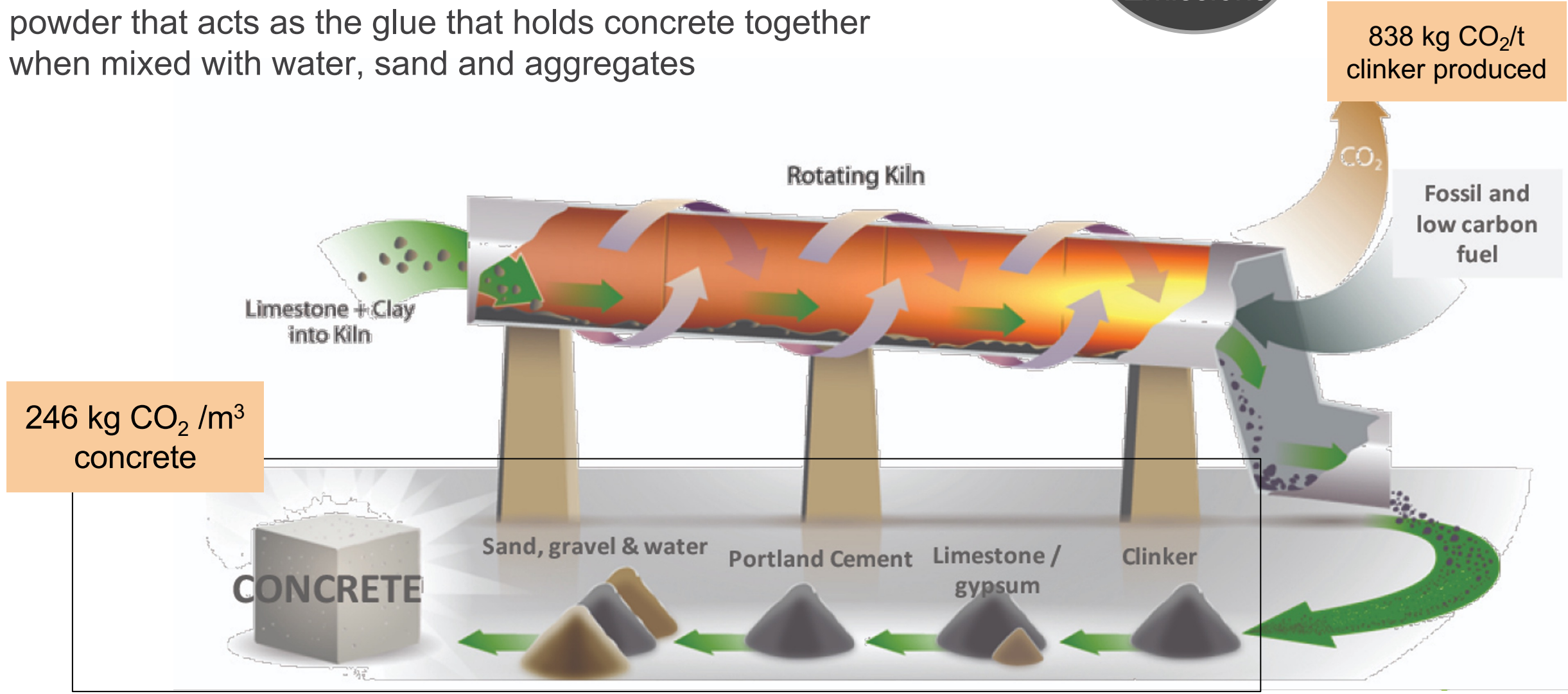
Active Technology Developers

Developer	Process	Metal Oxide Source	Product	CO ₂ / Oxide Exchange
Solidia	Production of calcium silicate product in kiln for use in concrete curing chamber with carbonic acid	Limestone or other calcium silicates (e.g. Wollastonite)	Concrete Products (brick, etc)	Aqueous
Carbfix	Injection of carbonic acid into underground basaltic formations, recover & recycle water	Natural subsurface basaltic formations	Geologic storage (CCS)	Aqueous
Fastcarb	Concrete rubble crushed / ground and mixed with flue gas	Demolition of built concrete structures	Beneficiated sand and gravel	Gas phase
Hyperion	Alkali metals mixed in wet process with hydroxide to produce carbonate precipitate and brine	Alkalis, wastes	Fine calcium carbonates, brine	Aqueous
Fortera	Calcine limestone and then combine with CO ₂ to form a more reactive calcium carbonate	Limestone	Limestone additive to concrete	Gas phase
BluePlanet	Calcium oxide chemically extracted, precipitated, and mechanically formed	Waste, natural silicates	Aggregates	Aqueous
Carbon8	Waste residues are mixed with flue gases to produce carbonates	Waste (CKD, slag, ash)	Aggregates	Gas phase
Carbon Upcycling	Waste residues are ground in pressurized CO ₂ rich gases with catalysts to produce reactive carbonates	Waste (ash, slag)	Supplementary cements, aggregates	Catalyzed gas phase

Mineralization is a good fit for the Concrete Sector

1.4 % of
Canada's
GHG
Emissions

Cement is the essential ingredient in **concrete**. It is a fine powder that acts as the glue that holds concrete together when mixed with water, sand and aggregates



Mineralization Potential – Global CO2 Initiative at the University of Michigan

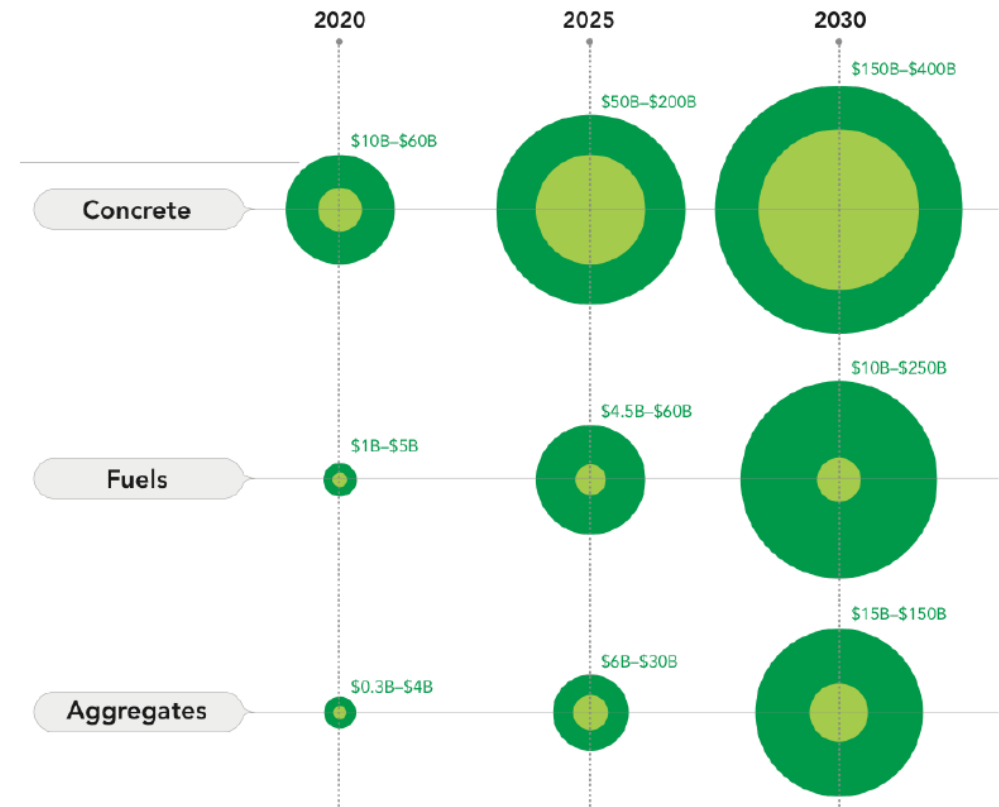
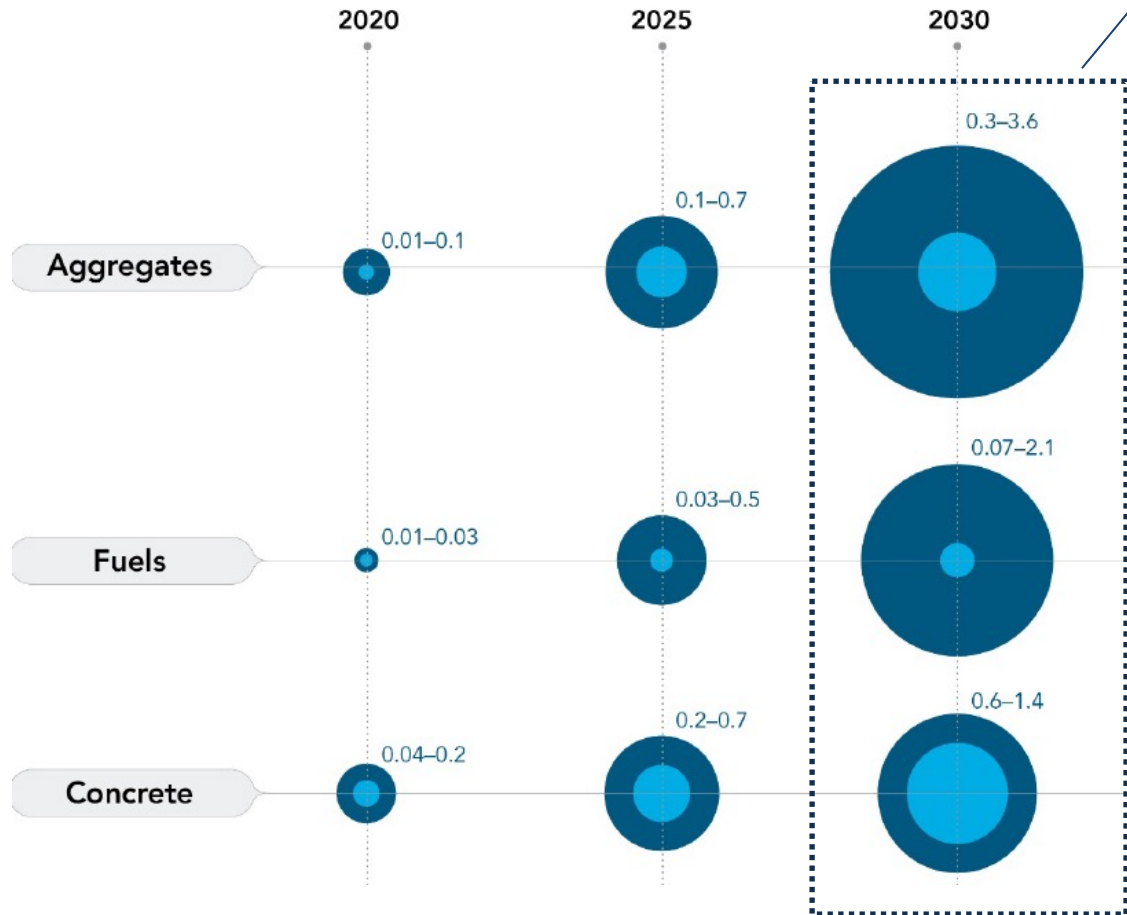
Potential CO₂ Utilization (gigatons)

■ Strategic actions implemented
■ Without strategic actions

Optimistic aggregates and concrete scenario represents ~10% of global industrial emissions

Potential Annual Revenue (dollars)

■ Strategic actions implemented
■ Without strategic actions



Resources

- **IPCC, Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage (SRCCS)**
 - Chapter 7, Mineral Carbonation and Industrial Uses of CO₂
 - Available at <https://archive.ipcc.ch/report/srccs/>
- **Global CO₂ Initiative at the University of Michigan, Global Roadmap for Implementing CO₂ Utilization, November 2016**
- **Carbon mineralization pathways for carbon capture, storage, and utilization, Greeshma Gadikota, Communications Chemistry**
- **Towards a business case for CO₂ mineralization in the cement industry, Till Strunge et al, Communications Chemistry**