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# Production of advanced biofuels

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**Commercializing Liquid Biofuels from Biomass**

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Database on facilities for the production of advanced liquid and gaseous biofuels for transport

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Latest publication based on this database "Status of Advanced Biofuels Demonstration Facilities in 2012"

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Map

Legend: operational | under construction | planned | non operational | no status

# Cellulosic ethanol facilities

Company	Country	Capacity [t/y]	Start-up
Du Pont	Nevada, Iowa, USA	83.000	2016
(Abengoa)	Hugoton, Kansas, USA	75.000	2014)
POET-DSM Advanced Biofuels	Emmetsburg, Iowa, USA	75.000	2014
GranBio	Sao Miguel, Alagoas, Brazil	65.000	2014
Longlive Biotechnology	Yucheng, Shandong, China	60.000	2012
Beta Renewables	Crescentino, Piedmont, Italy	40.000	2013
Cane Technology Center (CTC)	Piracicaba, Sao Paulo, Brazil	40.000	2012
Raizen Energia	Piracicaba, Sao Paulo, Brazil	30.000	2015
Henan Tianguan Group	Zhenping, Henan, China	30.000	2011
Borregaard Industries AS	Sarpsborg, Norway	15.800	1938

# Facilities for gasification and pyrolysis

Company	Country	Capacity [t/y]	Start-up year
Fortum pyrolysis oil for use in CHP	Joensuu, Finland	50.000	2013
Enerkem methanol / ethanol from MSW	Edmonton, Alberta, Canada	30.000	2014
Goteborg Energi SNG from forest residues	Gothenburg, Sweden	11.200	2014

Plans announced or facilities under construction with a range of thermochemical technologies by:

BioMCN, Sundrop Biofuels, Akwawit, Gulf Coast Energy, Virent, Clearfuels, Solena, Clearfuels, CORE Biofuel, Fulcrum, Cool Planet, Vanerco (Enerkem & Greenfield Ethanol), Enerkem Mississippi Biofuels, ORG



# POET Project Liberty

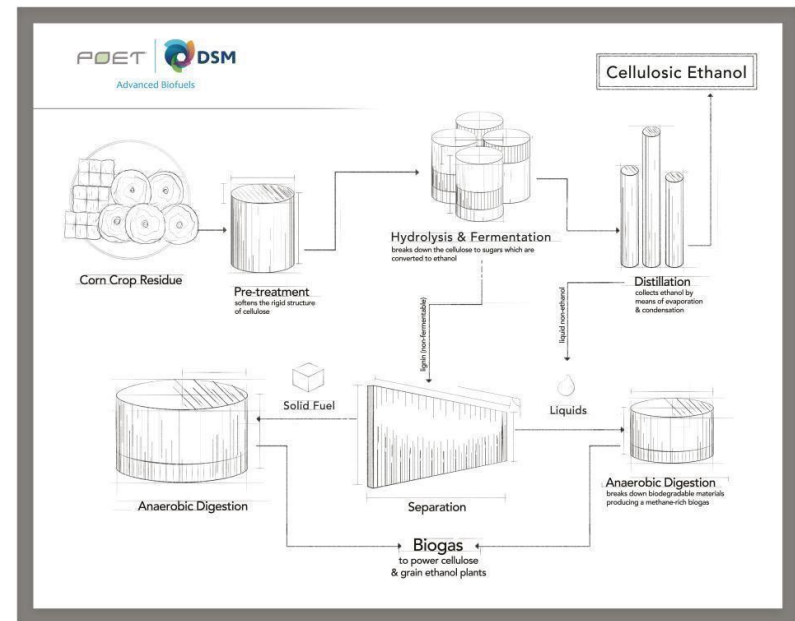
Commercial facility in Emmetsburg, Iowa, USA

Fermentation of agricultural residues (corn stover) fermentation to ethanol, integrated into conventional corn ethanol facility

Capacity 500 000 t/y ethanol, of which 75 000 t/y cellulosic ethanol;

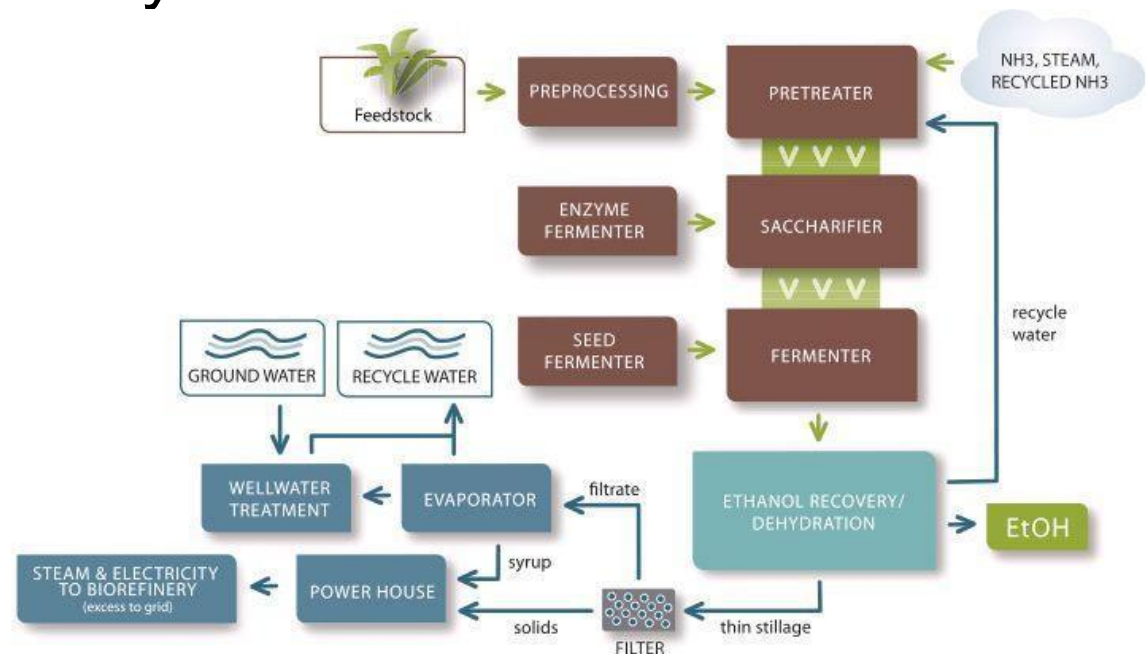
Started up in 2014

Total investment 250 mio USD



# DuPont

- Commercial facility in Nevada, Iowa, USA
- Fermentation of corn stover to ethanol
- Capacity 83.000 t/y
- Started up in 2016

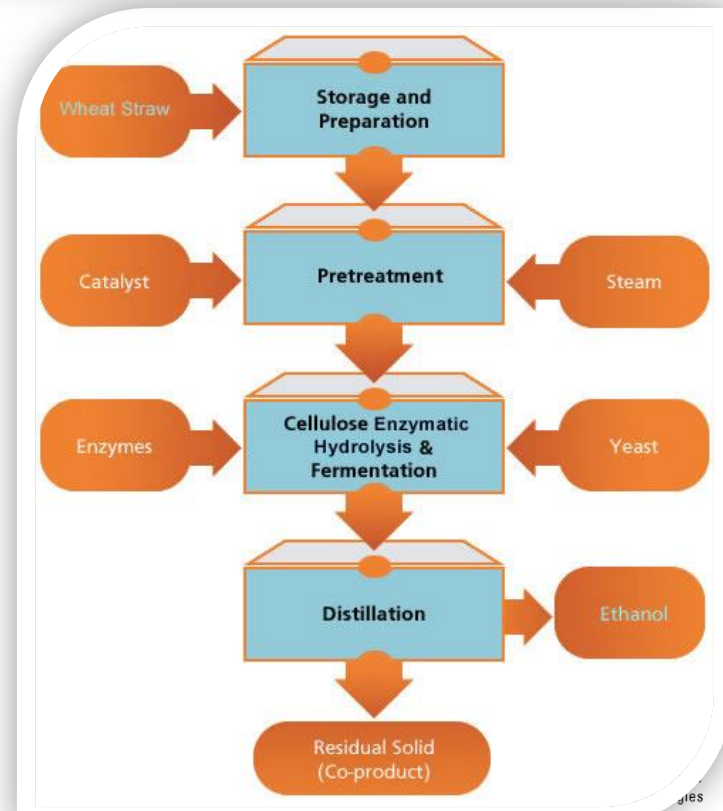






# Abengoa

- Facilities:
  - Pilot: York, USA; 75 t/y; since 2007
  - Demo: Babilafuente, Spain; 4.000 t/y; since 2010
  - Commercial: Hugoton, USA; 75.000 t/a; started up in 2014  
Funding was 76 mio USD
- Fermentation of corn stover, wheat straw and switch grass to ethanol
  - Steam explosion
  - Enzymatic hydrolysis
  - C5 and C6 Co-Fermentation
  - Heat and power provided from biomass





## Beta Renewables

- Commercial facility in Crescentino, Italy, capacity 40.000 t/y ethanol from fermentation of wheat straw, rice straw, arundo donax, poplar, started up in 2013
- Technology is also realized in the GranBio project in Brazil with a capacity of 65.000 t/y ethanol production





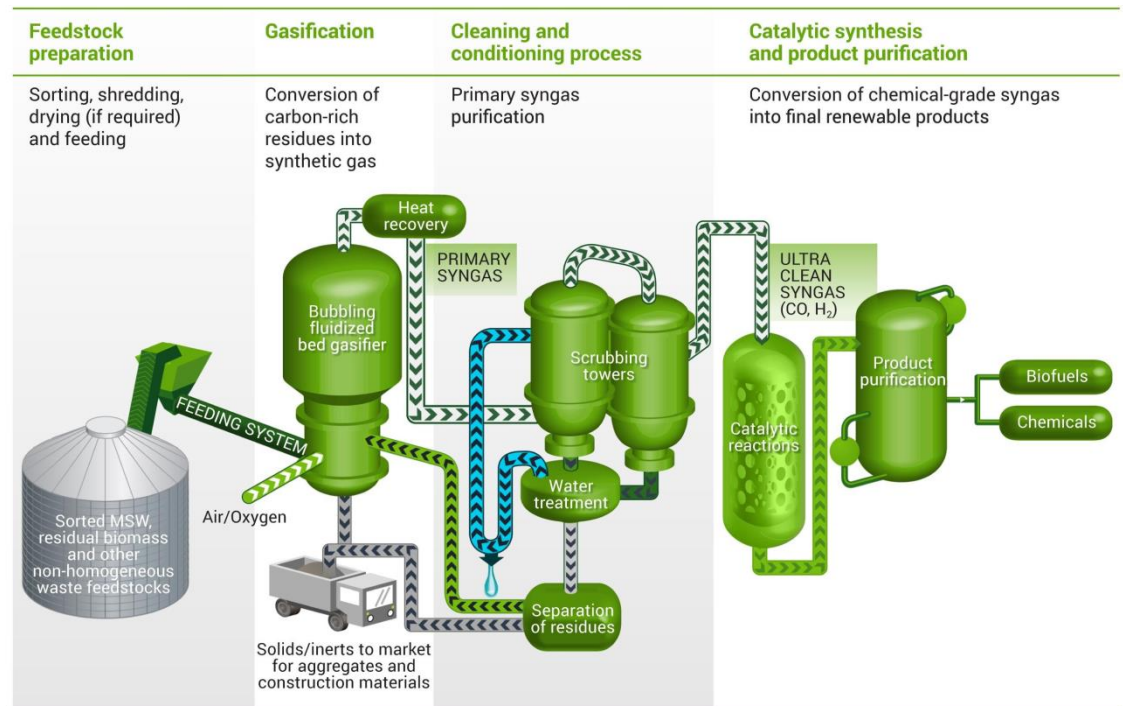
# GoBiGas

- Gothenburg, Sweden
  - Phase 1: 11.200 t/y (20 MW), started up in 2014
  - Phase 2: 80-100 MW - cancelled
- Gasification of wood chips, methanation to produce biomethane, used for heat and electricity production
- Gasification technology developed in Austria (Repotec, Güssing)



# Enerkem

- Commercial facility in Edmonton, Canada
- Gasification of organic residues and waste streams with subsequent catalytic synthesis to produce methanol and/or ethanol
- Capacity 30.000 t/y
- Started up in 2014

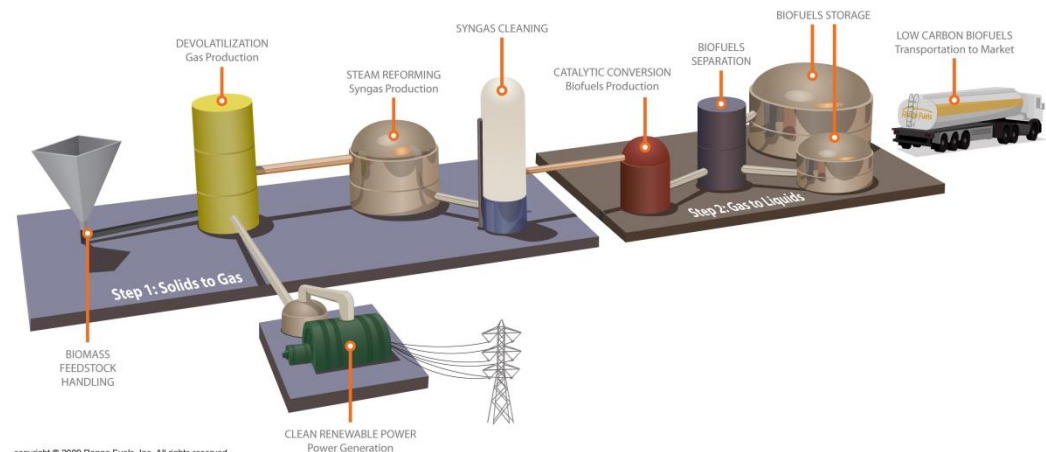
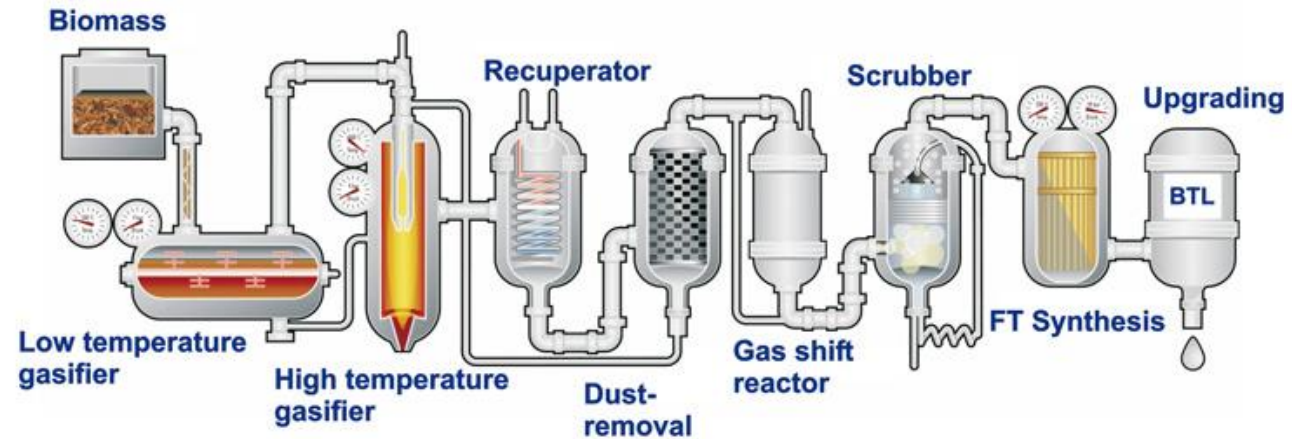


\* Municipal solid waste



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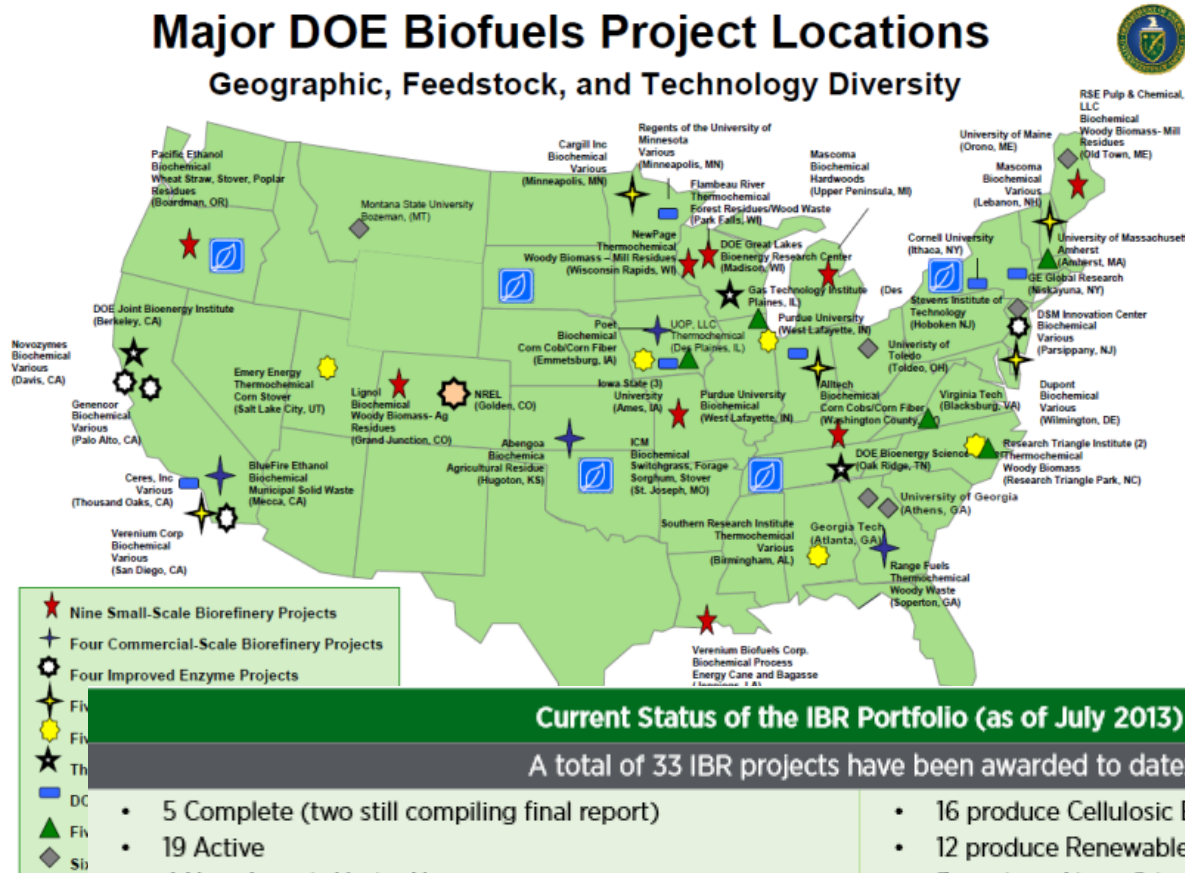
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- Gevo
- Coskata
- ...



# USDOE Integrated Biorefinery Program

<http://www.energy.gov/eere/bioenergy/integrated-biorefineries>

## Major DOE Biofuels Project Locations Geographic, Feedstock, and Technology Diversity



# NER 300 Projects first call announcements Dec 2012

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BEST	Beta Renewables	Italy	28	
CEG Plant Goswinowice	SEKAB	Poland	31	
VERBIO Straw	VERBIO	Germany	22	
Ajos BTL	Vapo Oy	Finland	89	
UPM Stracel BTL UPM		France	170	
Woodspirit	BioMCN	Netherlands	199	
Gobigas phase 2	Goteborg Energi	Sweden	59	
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# Biofuels Policy Drivers

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- Energy supply security
  - low fossil oil prices reduce concerns over supply security and make biofuels even less competitive
- Rural income
  - food versus fuel debate: high prices for agricultural products drive food prices
- GHG emission reduction
  - sustainability debate: if not done right, biofuels may produce more GHG emissions than fossil fuels



## EU Policy

- Biofuels Directive (2003):
  - 5,75% biofuels by 2010
- RED (2009):
  - 10% of transport fuels from RES by 2020
  - Sustainability criteria, incl. min. GHG reduction of 35% / 50% from 2017 on
- RED Amendment (2015):
  - Cap of 7% for conventional biofuels
  - Suggested 0,5% target for advanced biofuels
- Climate and Energy Policy Framework 2020-2030 (2014)
  - No transport specific post 2020 targets



## US Biofuels Policy

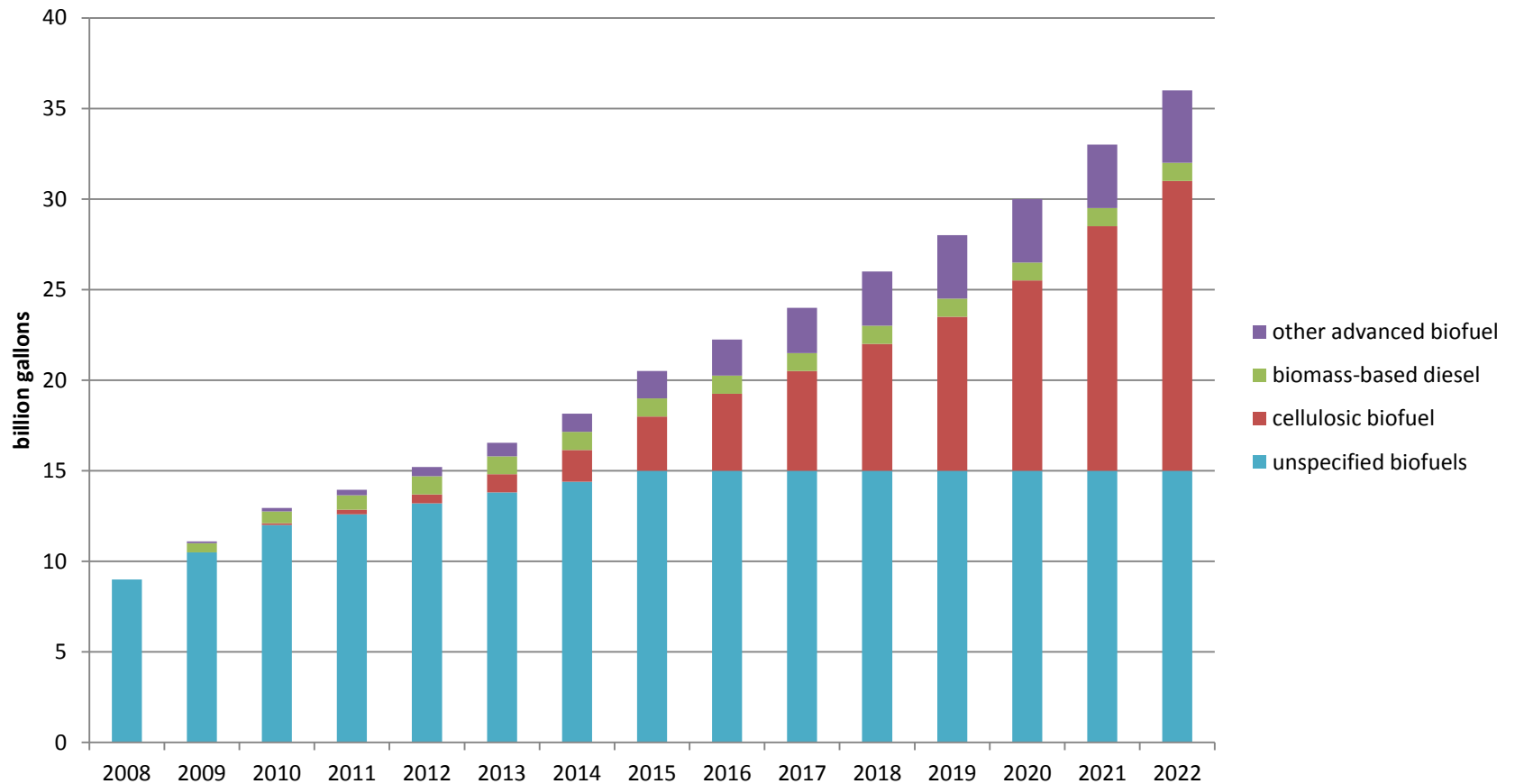
- Renewable Fuel Standard mandates volumes to be sold
- Increasing from 13 billion gallons in 2010 to 36 billion gallons in 2022
- Minimum GHG emission reduction is 20%  
50% for advanced fuels  
60% for cellulosic fuels
- But:
  - Development of cellulosic fuels lagging behind schedule
  - Mandated volumes waived every year





# USA: RFS2 mandated volumes

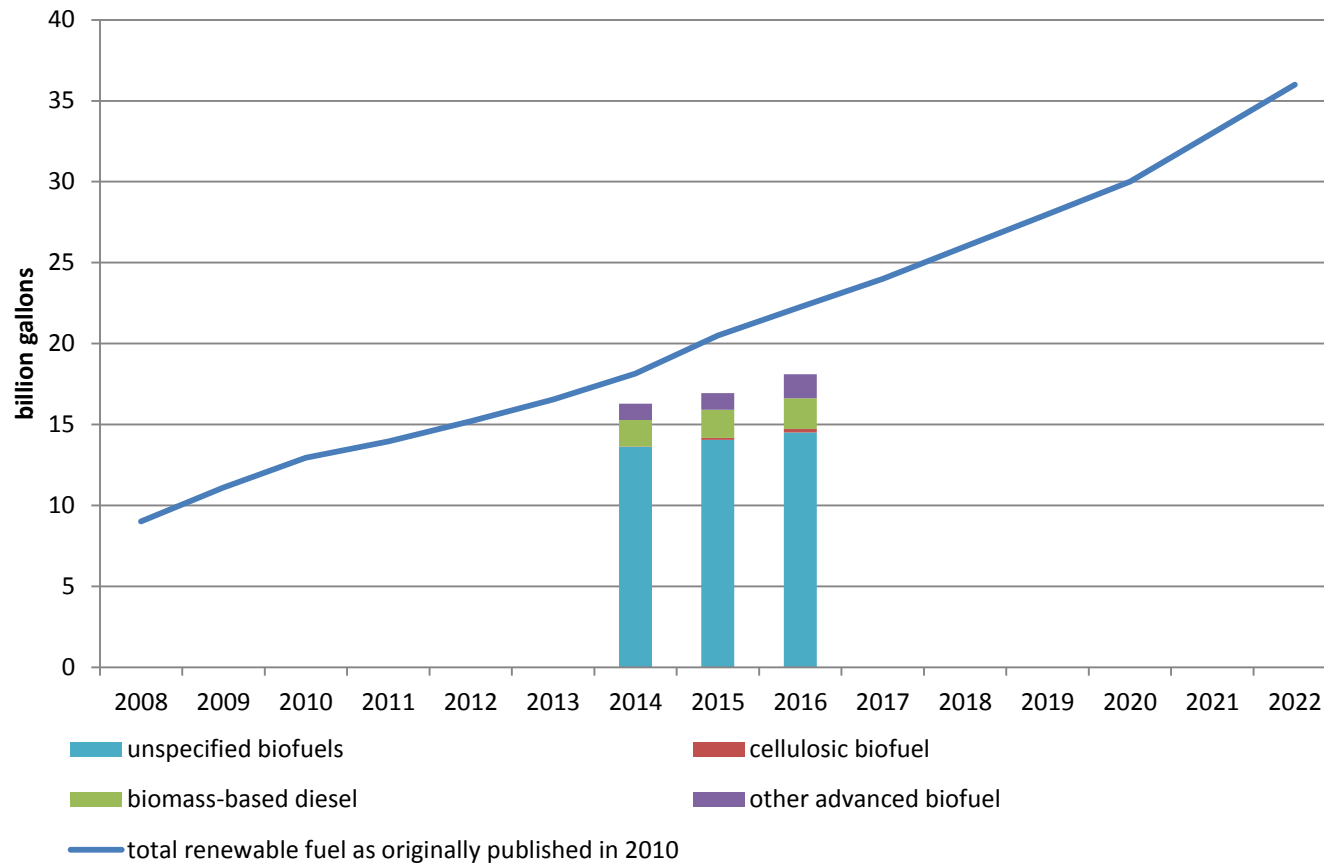
RFS2 volumes as mandated Feb 2010





# USA: RFS2 revised mandated volumes

RFS2 volumes as mandated Nov 2015





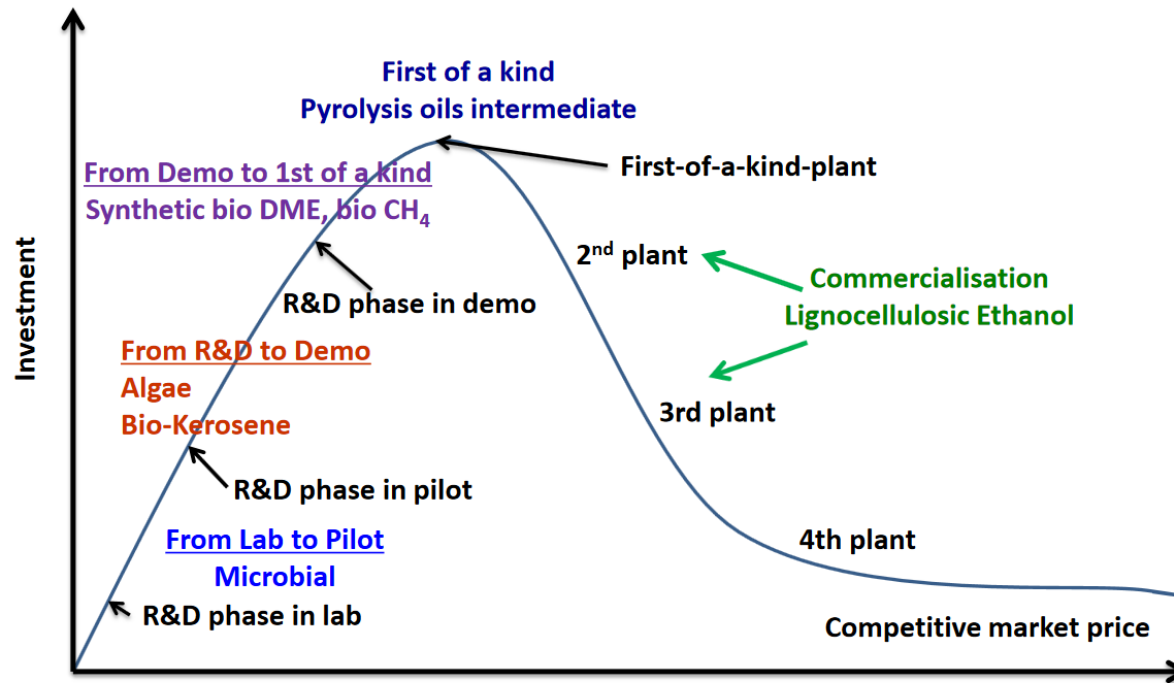
## Political Support in EU and USA has decreased

- ...consequently
  - plans for advanced biofuel production sites move to Brazil and China
  - targeted products move from biofuels to biochemicals
  
- As to get advanced biofuels down the learning curve a stable policy environment up to 2030 is needed as to guarantee a market for biofuels and trigger the necessary investments.



# Advanced biofuels learning curve

Technology Valley of death: Positioning of FP7 supported technologies



[http://www.biofuelstp.eu/spm7/Panel\\_Maniasis.pdf](http://www.biofuelstp.eu/spm7/Panel_Maniasis.pdf)



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