

# Plasma Kinetics

RESPONSIBLE, RENEWABLE, ENERGY SYSTEMS





# Energy Transport



# Problem

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- ▶ Clean energy providers need safe and cost-effective methods to store and **distribute energy** in a 24-billion-dollar hydrogen market.
- ▶ Current energy storage/distribution methods are complex or costly:
  - ▶ Battery Storage
    - ▶ Expensive
    - ▶ Not recycled & creates toxic waste
    - ▶ Heavy and potentially flammable
  - ▶ Traditional Hydrogen Storage
    - ▶ Compressed and stored at pressures between 3,000 and 10,000 psi or  $-423^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $200 - 700$  bar or  $-252^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
    - ▶ Potentially flammable or explosive





# Solution

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- ▶ Containers of nano-photonic *light-activated solid-state* hydrogen thin film with no compression, no flammability and easy transport.
- ▶ Hydrogen stored in *light activated* (LAH) 17 kg H<sub>2</sub> *solid-state* canisters.
  - ▶ No pressure or cooling needed
  - ▶ No risk of fire or explosion
  - ▶ No transportation restrictions
  - ▶ Lower cost than batteries
  - ▶ Lower cost to ship hydrogen
  - ▶ 1000 kg of H<sub>2</sub> per 20 ft container bulk load



Light Activated Solid-state  
1000 kg H<sub>2</sub>  
20 ft Container  
with 70 x 17 kg H<sub>2</sub> kg  
Canisters bulk loaded

Light Activated Solid-state  
1220 kg H<sub>2</sub>  
40 ft Container  
with 72 x 17 kg H<sub>2</sub>  
Canisters on pallets





# Results

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- ▶ Capability to move 20.000 tons of hydrogen on a single container ship without modification or hazard.
- ▶ Containerized shipments allow immediate distribution onto inland waterway, truck or rail transportation at destination port.
- ▶ No need for compression, decompression, specialized ships, or certifications.
- ▶ Hydrogen shipments of any size, at any time, reduces logistics and increases revenue by providing distributed global customers just-in-time deliveries.



20.000 tons of hydrogen  
(330 GWh of available energy)  
Enough energy to power 25.000 homes for 1 full year  
Enough energy to allow large trucks to go 300.000.000 km



# Market Opportunity

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- ▶ Global H<sub>2</sub> market is expected to reach USD 24.5B by 2027. - Allied Market Research
- ▶ Global H<sub>2</sub> Storage market will reach USD 992M in 2026. - Prescient and Strategic Intelligence
- ▶ Solid H<sub>2</sub> storage is projected to be the most lucrative segment by 2027. - Allied Market Research
- ▶ Canisters of light-activated solid-state hydrogen ease shipment and can be directly implemented in applications like trucks, ships, rail, VTOL aircraft and grid stabilization.
- ▶ PacifiCorp reports USD 2B annually would be saved with clean energy over-generation management. - PacifiCorp
- ▶ Germany is creating 10 GW of electrolysis capacity for green H<sub>2</sub> by 2040. - CSIS
- ▶ European Truck manufactures agree to drop diesel by 2040. - ACEA
- ▶ U.S. ports restricting diesel use for berthed vessels to less than 20% of time in port and added emission control regulations. - U.S. EIA
- ▶ European ports require 55% reduction in emissions by 2023. - ESPO
- ▶ Maersk shipping will go carbon free by 2050. - Maersk
- ▶ There are 20.5 million intermodal containers world-wide.





# Market Opportunity

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- ▶ The global hydrogen generation market is USD 120.77B. An exponential increase in the demand for green fuel and government regulations to control pollution is driving the market. – Grand View Research
- ▶ 95% of the 70 million metric tons of  $H_2$  produced annually is gray hydrogen and over 70% of gray hydrogen is produced from natural gas which yields 10 kg of  $CO_2$  per kg of  $H_2$ . Blue  $H_2$  yields 2 to 5 kg of  $CO_2$  per kg  $H_2$ . Green hydrogen from solar and wind can be carbon free and needs cost effective storage. – Center for Strategic and International Studies.
- ▶ Light Activated Solid State hydrogen requires no energy to store the hydrogen, is less than 50% the cost of batteries, and approximates the cost of compressed or liquid storage without the energy cost of compression or cooling, or risk of fire.





# Business Model

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- ▶ Build real-world green hydrogen storage and transport application prototypes.
- ▶ Build pre-ordered green hydrogen storage and transport products.
- ▶ Current Interest from
  - ▶ U.S. and International Solar/Wind Farms, syngas and bio-gasification facilities.
  - ▶ Wind/Solar over-production storage system value \$100/kWh or USD 8B world-wide
  - ▶ Wind/Solar storage system cost \$68/kWh or USD 5.44B world-wide
  - ▶ Wind/Solar over-production storage EPITDA Value \$32/kWh or USD 2.56B world-wide
- ▶ Build relationships with green hydrogen producers to store and ship hydrogen via container-based canisters.
- ▶ Build collection and distribution models based on shortlisted green hydrogen producers and shortlisted countries.
- ▶ Build relationships with OEM truck manufactures and ship builders to implement distributed hydrogen directly from canisters without the need for compressed or liquid refueling stations.
- ▶ License technology for wide base of applications: wind and solar, automotive, aerospace, marine, microgrids, oil refining, forklifts, airport tugs, in-home energy backup, data centers.
  - ▶ Current interest from
    - ▶ U.S. Military (all branches), NASA, Boeing, Happy Landings, Ehang, Transcend Aero
    - ▶ Amazon, Uber
    - ▶ Hyzone Motors, Nikola Motors, Great Wall of China Motors, Hyundai Motors, Navistar and Volvo Group.





# Team

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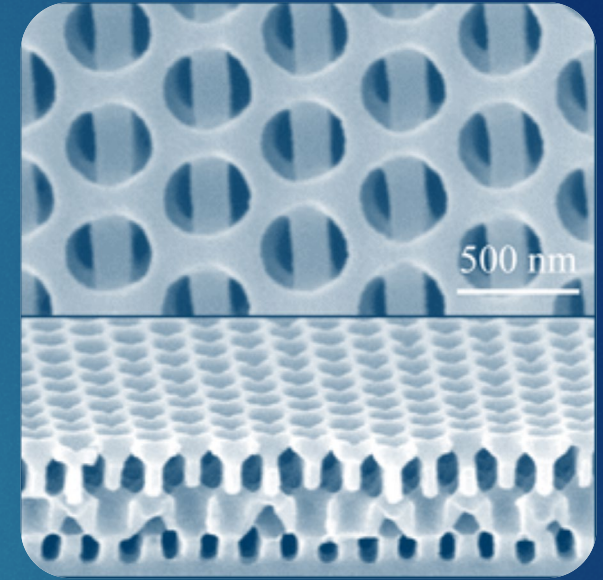


# Technical – What is Nano-Photonic H<sub>2</sub> Thin Film?

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A 0.028 mm *non-flammable* thin film with a nano-structure which captures hydrogen *without pressure* and interacts with light to release hydrogen at high pressure.

- 7 constituents (no rare-earths)
- PVD layering of materials
- NGF (nano-graphite-film) substrate
- High Temperature Shape Memory Alloy
- Post deposition nano-lithography
- Low CO<sub>2</sub> fabrication process





# Technical – How does it work?

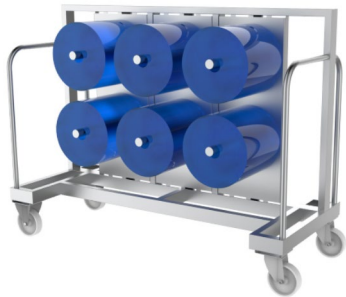
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Like a movie projector or CD player.  
Light shines on the film or disc  
to release hydrogen.

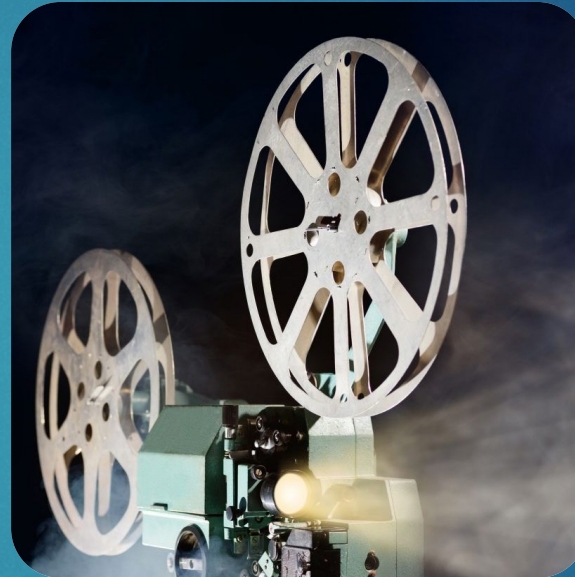
Cassette Film



Canister Film



CD Film



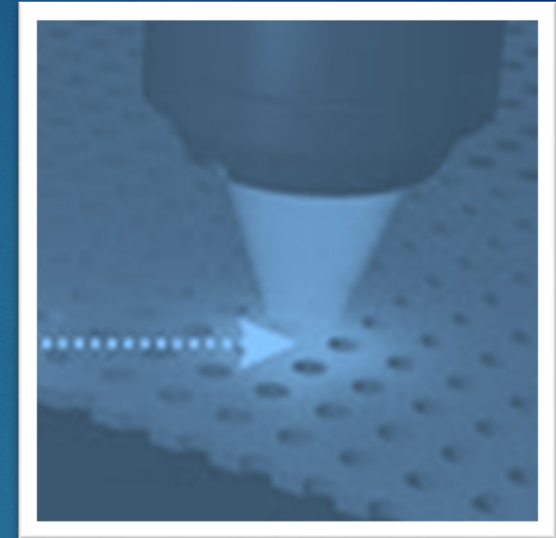
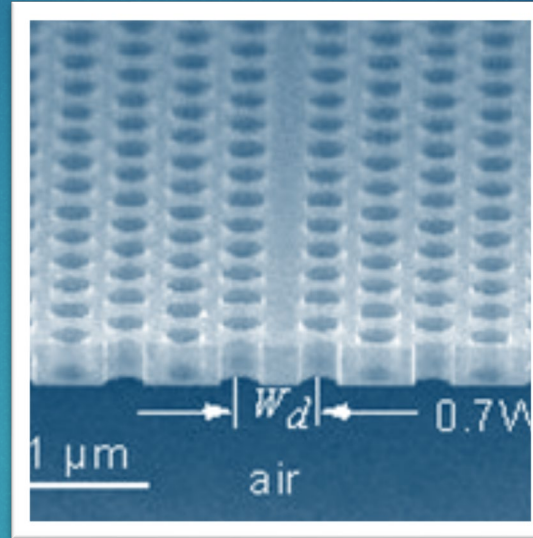
Plasma Kinetics CD prototype



# Technical – What is the technical basis?

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Billions of negative points  
attract hydrogen.  
Light changes electric  
bond to release hydrogen.

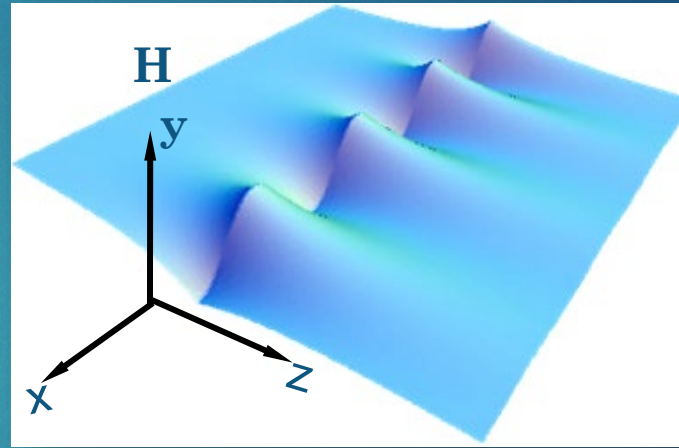
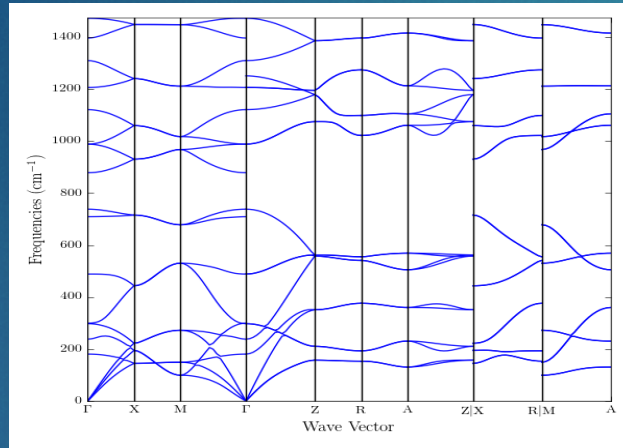




# Technical – What is the technical uniqueness?

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## Photon Dispersion



Angstroms thick shape memory alloy layers and metal hydride nanostructured layers provide a dielectric with black state forming constituents and a lower bond energy.

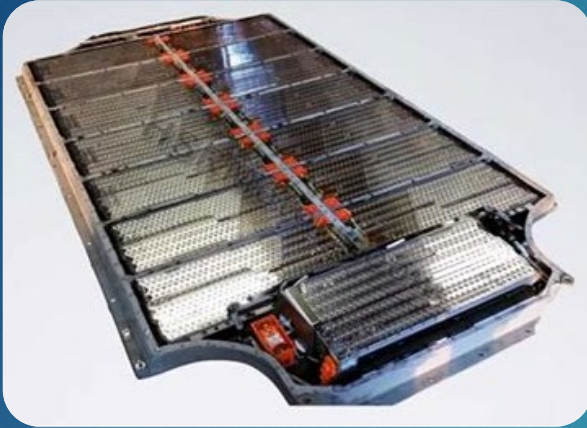
Photon absorption and polariton resonance support dissociative amplitude energies when exposed to photonic irradiation.

The result is safe, efficient, high-density, photo-reactive, solid-state hydrogen energy storage.



# Technical – What is the energy storage density?

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Energy Density  
Gravimetric:  
Volumetric:

Li-ion Battery  
130 Wh/kg  
474 Wh/l



Light Activated  
Solid-State Hydrogen  
1000 Wh/kg  
806 Wh/l

≈ 350 Bar  
Compressed Hydrogen



700 Bar  
Compressed Hydrogen  
1872 Wh/kg  
1300 Wh/l





# HCV Fuel



# Technical – A comparison in trucking

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## Light Activated hydrogen truck



- Vehicle cost 180.000 €
- Not Compressed
- Fuel cost 0,15 €/kWh (save 20.000 €/year)
- CO<sub>2</sub> 24k kg/year (save 40.000 kg/year)
- No refueling Infrastructure\* (save 2,2M €/station)
- Non-flammable
- Same canisters for regional/local delivery
- Same canisters for use in trucks

\*container & forklift 200k €

## Compressed gas hydrogen truck



- Vehicle cost 160.000 €
- Compressed to 350 Bar
- Fuel cost 0,29 €/kWh
- CO<sub>2</sub> 68k kg/year
- Refueling infrastructure 2,3M €/station
- Flammable
- Pipeline or custom truck for local delivery
- Carbon fiber tanks required for use in trucks



# Application Class 8 (HCV) trucks

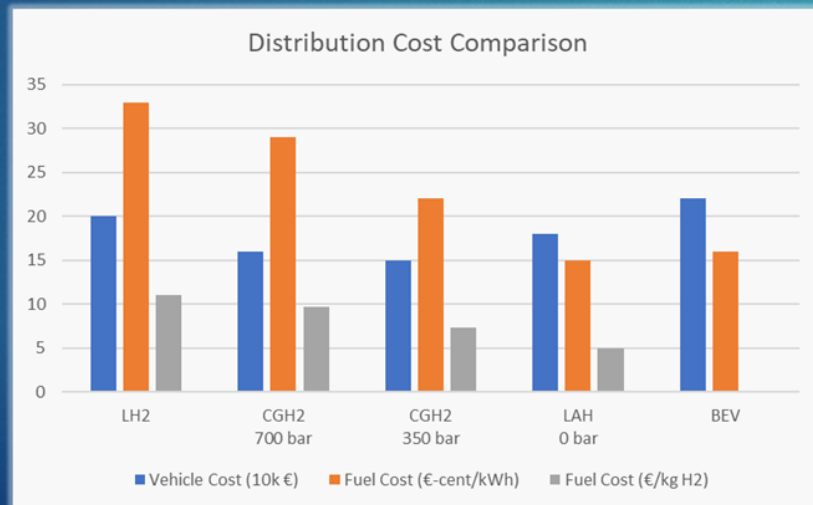
## What are the advantages for HCVs?

### Easy, safe and economical distribution

- Non-flammable swappable cassettes or canisters allow quick refill without fixed infrastructure fueling stations

### Low-cost hydrogen

- 50+% lower fuel cost than compressed H<sub>2</sub>



700 Bar

1 Bar





# Application Class 8 (HCV) trucks

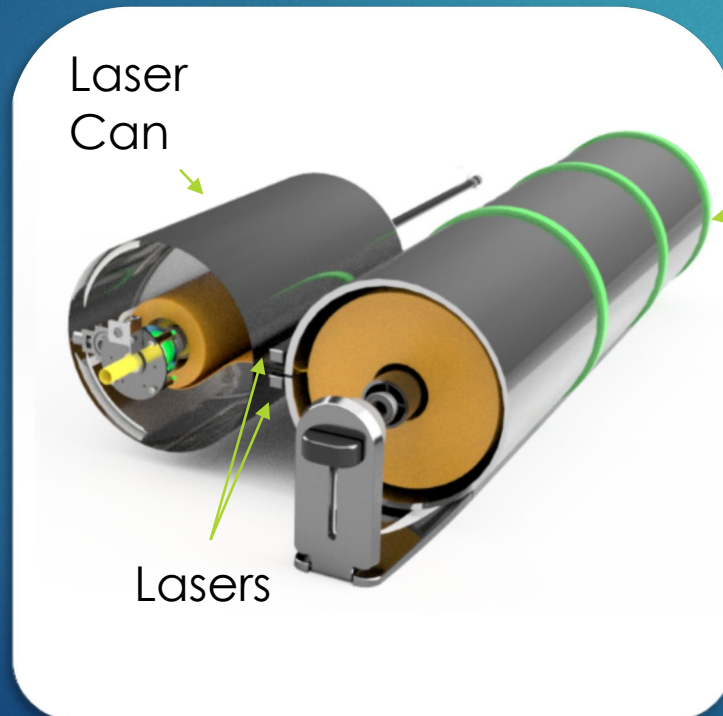
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## How is hydrogen thin film integrated in HCVs?

Canisters configured for up to 120 kg of H<sub>2</sub>.

Laser cans remain in vehicle (shown removed for illustration).

- Volume
  - 0.04 m<sup>3</sup>/kg H<sub>2</sub>
  - 0.00124 m<sup>3</sup>/kWh
  - 806 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>
- Weight
  - 400 kg system weight
  - 33.4 kg/kg H<sub>2</sub>
  - 1.0 kg/kWh



- 17 kg H<sub>2</sub> from each canister.
- 12 kg available for drive energy.
- 12 kg x 21 kWh = 252 kWh = 230 km range.
- 230 km range x 4 cylinders = 920 km range.
- Load variance managed by a battery.
- FC membrane heated by laser system coolant to increase efficiency.



# Application Class 8 (HCV) trucks

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## How much will HCV operators save?

The OEM System monetary cost for thin film is similar to 700 bar compressed H<sub>2</sub> carbon fiber tanks.

Carbon cost saving is more than **40,000 kg of CO<sub>2</sub>/year** over compressed H<sub>2</sub>

*Based 100,000 km (5100 kg H<sub>2</sub> compression with 50% NG sourced and 50% solar electricity) yielding 68,000 kg CO<sub>2</sub> vs uncompressed reformed gas SMR at 24,000 kg per year) [see notes]*

Fuel cost is much lower with savings of **20000 €/year**

*Based on 100,000 km (5100 kg H<sub>2</sub>)/yr at 9.3 € (compressed cost) vs 3.0 € (uncompressed).*





# Advantages

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- CLEAN ENERGY
- MINIMAL FOOTPRINT
- **SAFE NON-FLAMMABLE**
- ECONOMICAL
- TRANSPORTABLE
- QUIET
- HUNDREDS OF RECHARGES
- RECYCLABLE
- LOW PRESSURE STORAGE
- HIGH PRESSURE RELEASE
- QUICK RECHARGING
- LONG SHELF LIFE
- MULTIPLE FUEL SOURCES
  - Waste-water treatment
  - Municipal incineration
  - Water electrolysis
  - Industrial H<sub>2</sub> production
- **LOW COST REFUELING STATIONS**
- **LOW-COST FUEL**
- **EASE OF FUEL DISTRIBUTION**

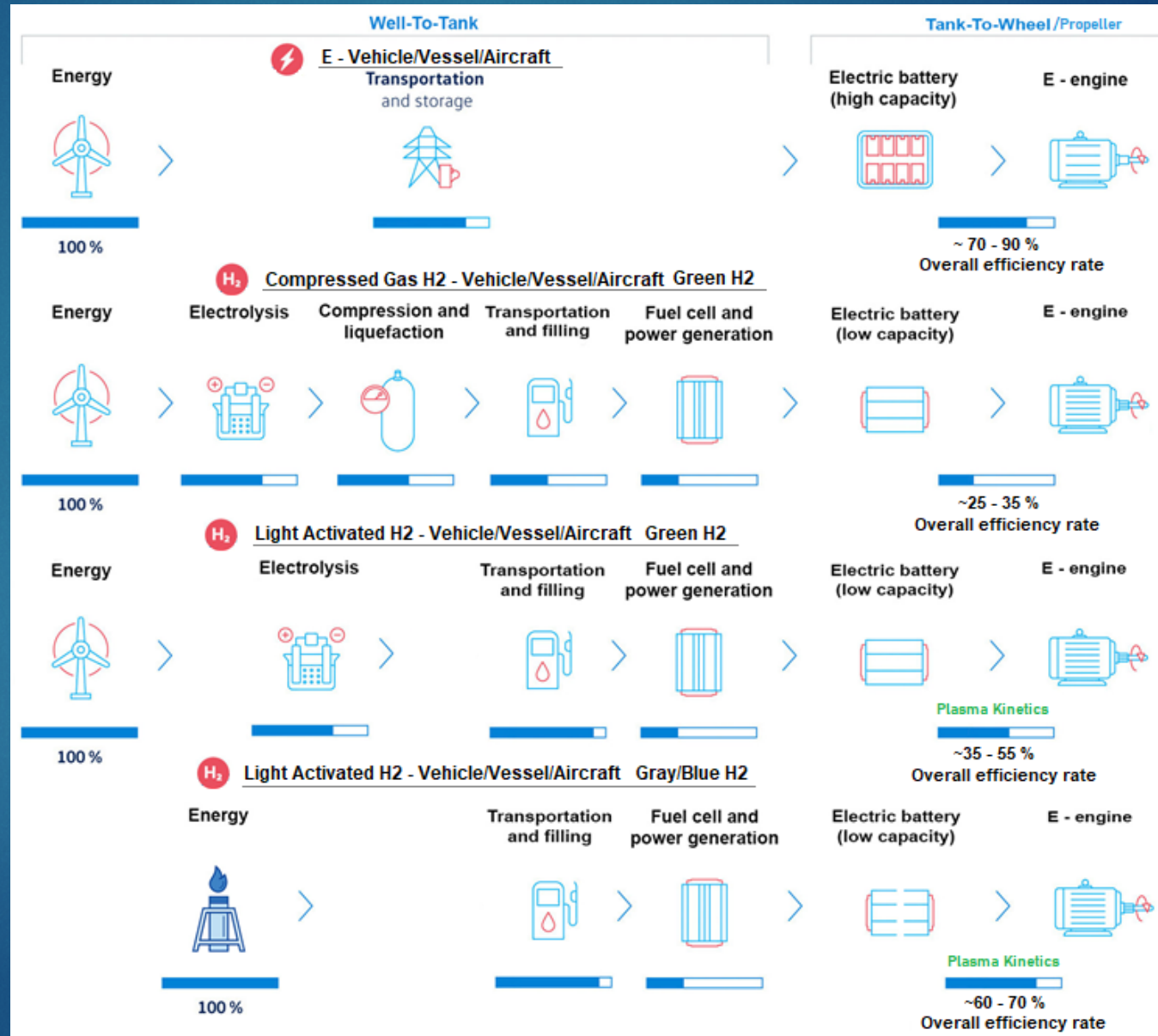




# Technical – A comparison of Energy Efficiency

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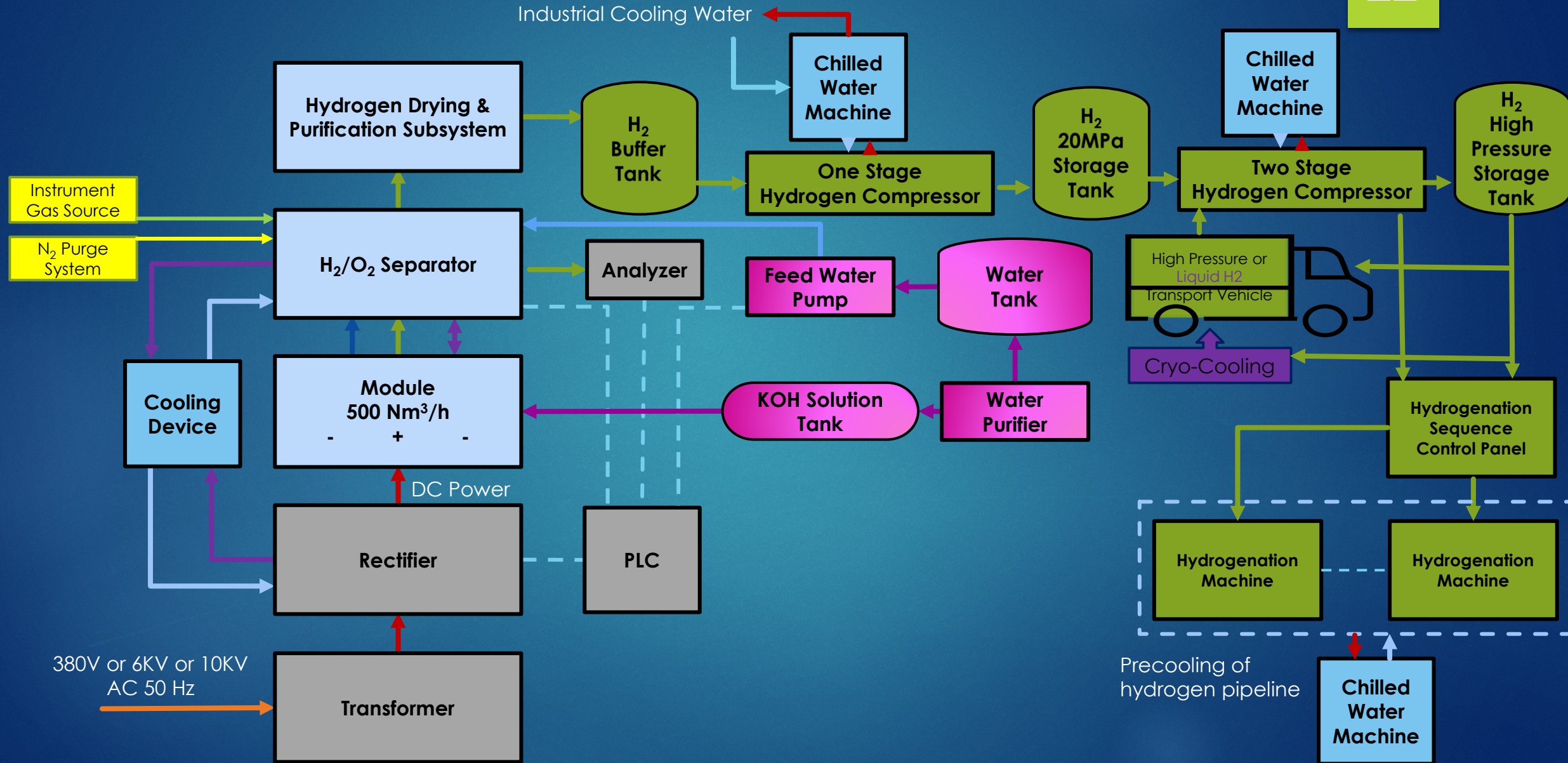
Plasma Kinetics  
Light Activated H<sub>2</sub>  
storage approximates  
battery efficiency.





# Technical – Conventional E-Hydrogen Generation

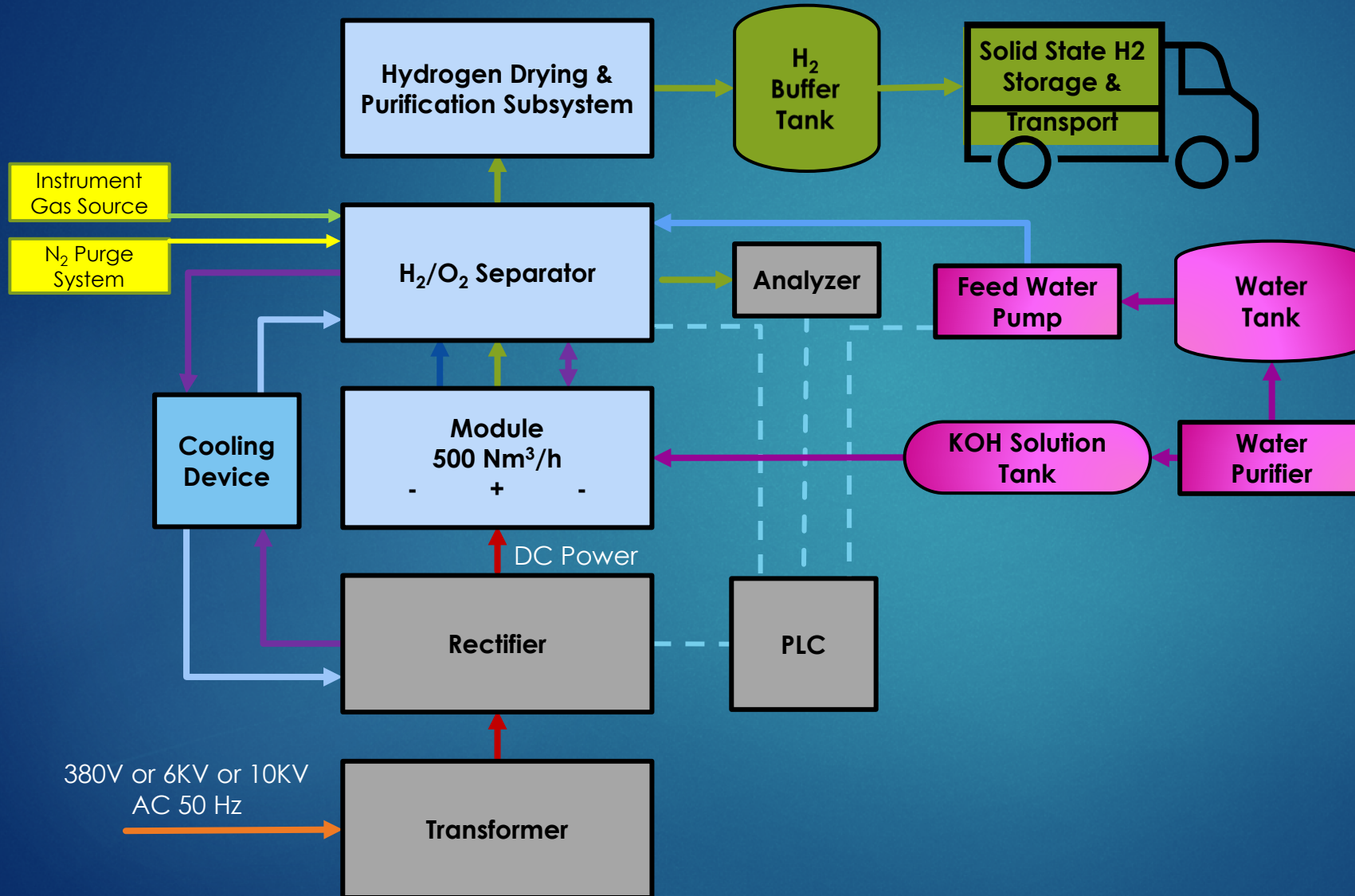
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# Technical – Solid-state E-Hydrogen Generation

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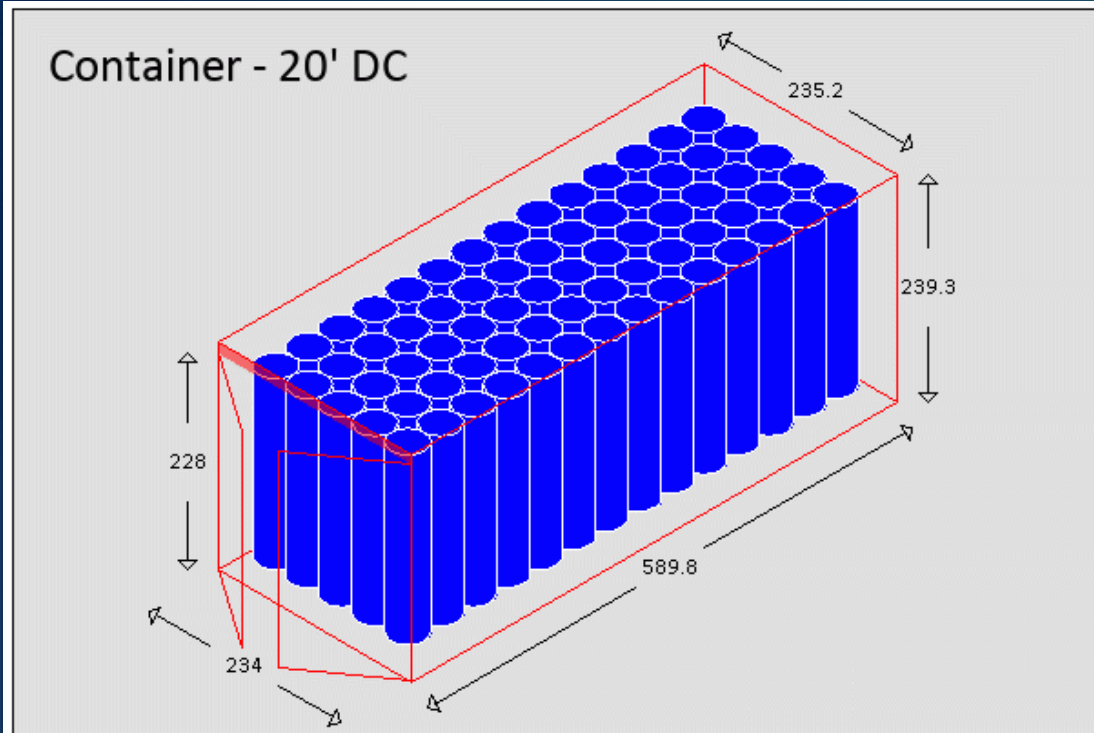


No compression, cooling or high-pressure storage.



# Technical - Solid-state Hydrogen Canisters/Container

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Equipment : Container - 20' DC

Cargo name	Pieces loading	Pieces total
H2 Canisters	70	70

	Used	Free	Maximum
Weight (payload) in KG	28000	200	28200
Cubic Meter	22.4	10.796	33.196
Floor lenght centimeter	560	29.8	589.8
Floor sqaure meter	11.2	2.672	13.872
Pieces	70		

**1000 kg H<sub>2</sub>**

(1215 kg stored, minimum 850 kg usable)

## Full loading list

Group	Equipment name	Name	PCS	Weight total	Lenght	Width	Height
1	Container - 20' DC	H2 Canisters	70	28000	40	40	200



# Technical - Solid-state Hydrogen Storage Comparison

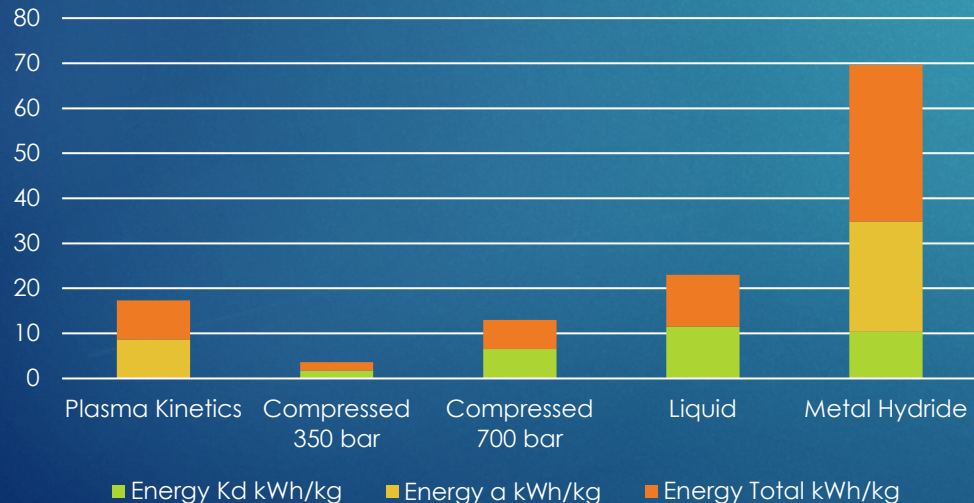
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Plasma Kinetics has lower energy requirement than Liquid hydrogen and the lowest “up-front” energy requirement.

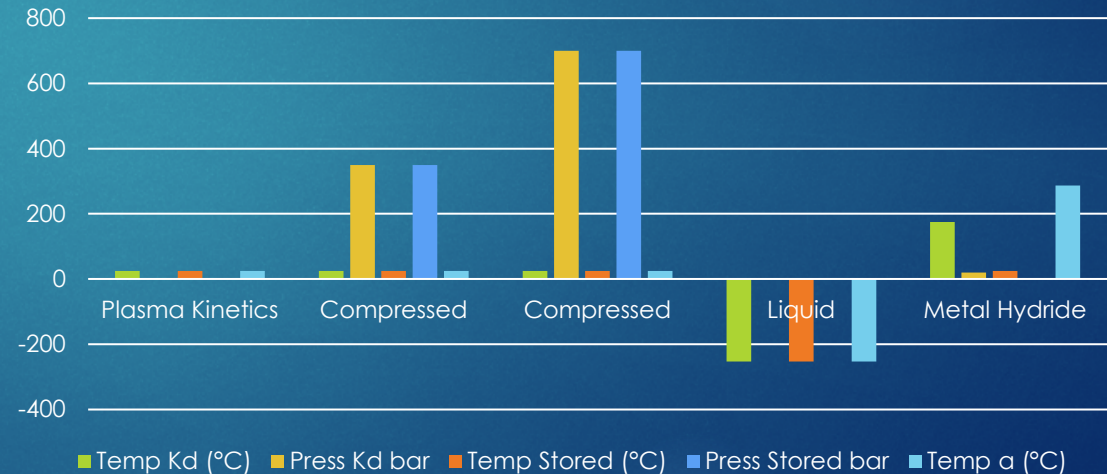
Plasma Kinetics is at normal atmospheric temperature and pressure at all times.

Storage/Feature	Plasma Kinetics	Compressed	Liquid	Metal Hydride
Temperature $K_d$	25°C	25°C	-252.87°C	175+°C
Pressure $K_d$	1 bar	350-700 bar	1 bar	20 bar
Energy $K_d$	0.05 kWh/kg	1.8-6.5 kWh/kg	11.5 kWh/kg	10.4 kWh/kg
Temp/Press stored	25°C/1 bar	25°C/350-700 bar	-252.87°C/1bar	25°C/1 bar
Temperature $\alpha$	25°C	25°C	-252.87°C	287+°C
Energy $\alpha$	8.6 kWh/kg	0 kWh/kg	0 kWh/kg	24.4 kWh/kg
Energy Total	8.7 kWh/kg	1.8-6.5 kWh/kg	11.5 kWh/kg	34.8 kWh/kg
Storage Rate	1 kg/min	1 kg/min	1 kg/min	0.1 kg/min
Flammability	Non-Flammable	Flammable	Flammable	Flammable
Explosive in air	Non-Explosive	Explosive	Explosive	Non-Explosive
Stored Molecule	MgHX Hybrid	H <sub>2</sub> Covalent	H <sub>2</sub> Covalent	MgH <sub>2</sub> Covalent

Hydrogen Storage Energy Requirement



Hydrogen Store Temp/Pressure Requirement





# Thank you!

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