

## The Alcohol-To-Jet process: A Retrofit for 1G ethanol plants

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#### <sup>+</sup> Alcohol to jet – synthetic kerosene with aromatics

<sup>1</sup> Defense Advance Research Projects Agency

during 2016 to 2018 at 50:50 blend with fossil jet fuel – no aromatics

SB leading new ASTM

fuel as ATJ-SKA<sup>+</sup> –

includes aromatics

certification for 100 %

replacement of fossil jet

Stockholm, Sweden ATJ-SPK certified at ASTM

First demonstrated for

DARPA<sup>1</sup> in 2009 by SB in

ATJ Process

process was developed

by Swedish Biofuels (SB),

Alcohol To Jet (ATJ)

patent of 2004

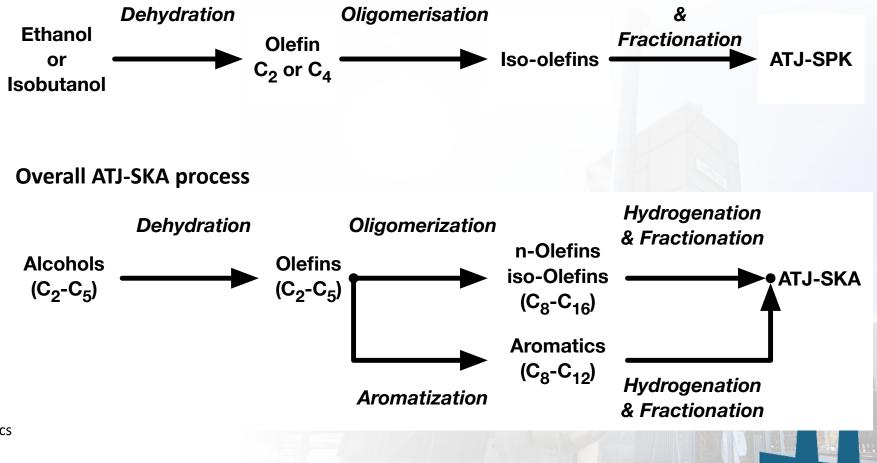
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### **Overall ATJ-SPK process**



**Hydrogenation** 

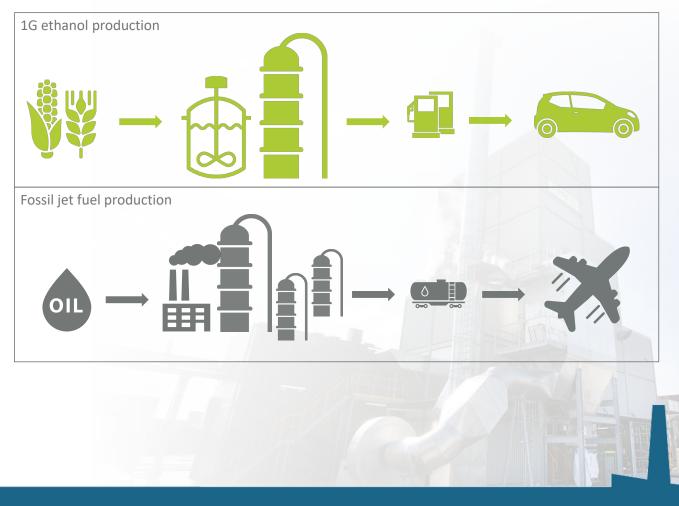






#### 1G ethanol from grain

#### Kerosene from crude oil



## • Retrofit scenario



- IG ethanol with integrated alcohol to jet production iggyent for n market on
- 1G ethanol from grain (VERTEX)
- Sustainable aviation fuel using alcohol to jet ATJ) technology from Swedish Biofuels
- Products

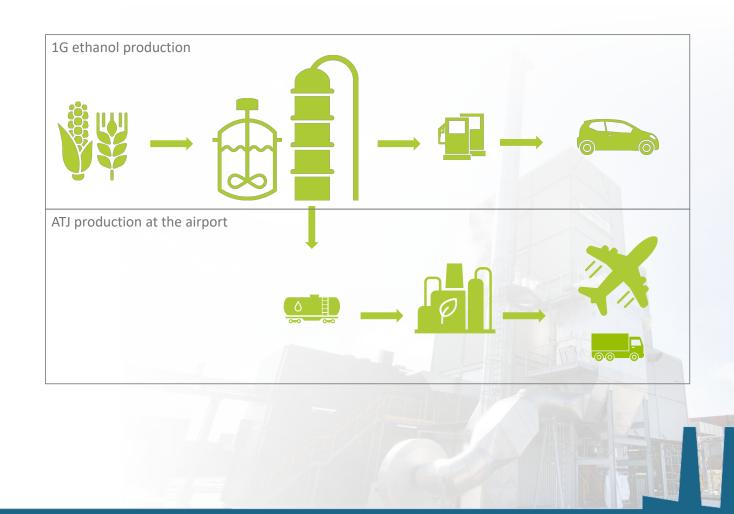
SAF (ATJ-SKA) 100 % replacement for fossil jet fuel

Diesel – used locally or sold on market Gasoline – used locally or sold on market

## • Alternative scenario

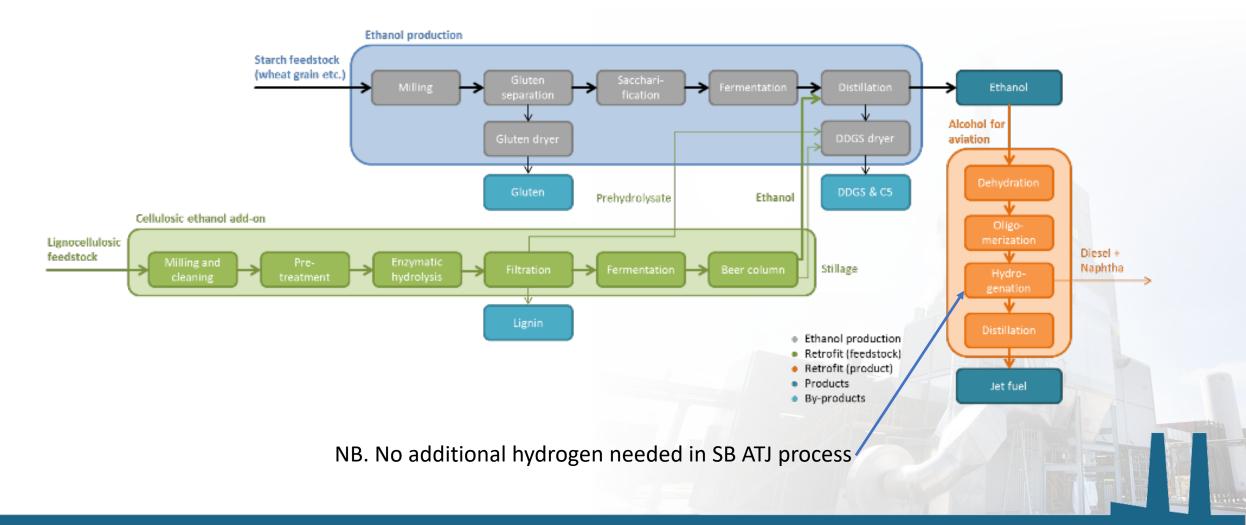


- 1G ethanol from grain
- Transport
- Sustainable aviation fuel using alcohol to jet (ATJ) technology from Swedish Biofuels
- Products
  - SAF (ATJ-SKA) 100 % replacement for fossil jet fuel
  - Diesel used locally or sold on market
  - Gasoline used locally or sold on market



Supply chain





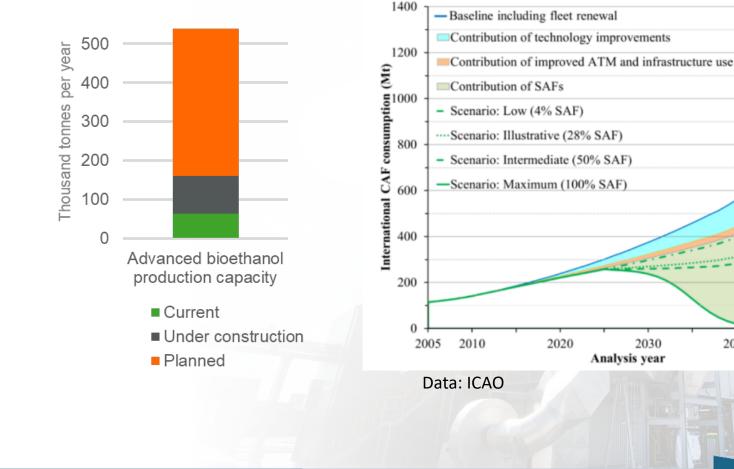
## Market assessment



• Feedstock available

Substantial 1G ethanol production worldwide Large planned increases in advanced bioethanol production capacity in Europe

 Large demand for SAF 100 % replacement of fossil jet fuel needed – also reduces costs



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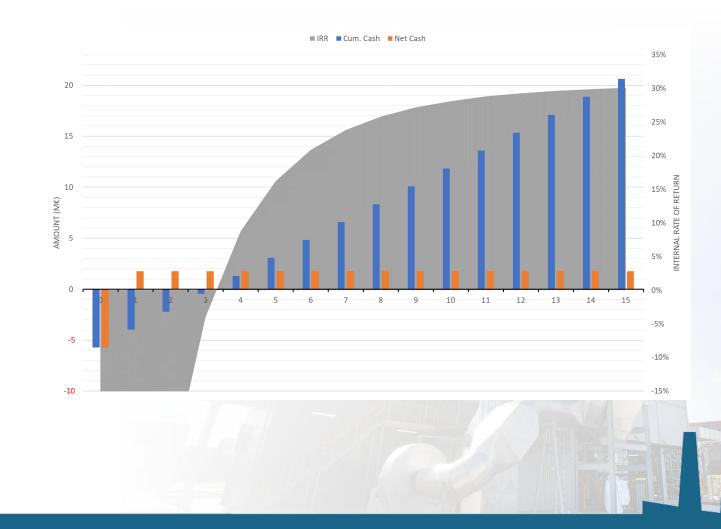
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## Techno economic assessment

- Main economic result IRR<sup>+</sup> 30 %
- Other considerations

   Volatility of oil market
   Recent increases in SAF price
   Changes in feedstock costs
   Stability of policy framework





<sup>+</sup> internal rate of return

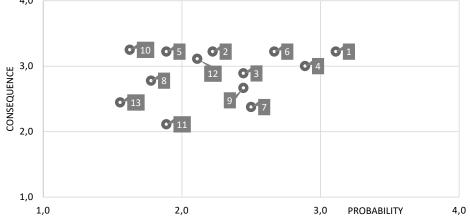


Scenario	Emissions per MJ of fuel (gCO <sub>2eq</sub> /MJ)	Saving compared to REDII (%)
Baseline Scenario	53.26	43.34
Current retrofit scenario based on existing 1G bioethanol plant	52.23	44.00
Sustainable retrofit scenario	4.93	95.00
Current alternative scenario based on existing 1G bioethanol plant	53.67	40.33
Sustainable alternative scenario	5.13	94.50



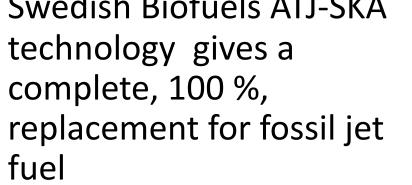


No.	Risk	Probability	Consequence	Total risk
		(1 = low, 4 = high)	(1 = little, 4 = severe)	(1-16)
1	ATJ kerosene is not considered advanced biofuel when utilizing maize-based ethanol, EtOH plant has to undergo 2 retrofits, (i) from 1G to advanced fuels, (ii) to ATJ adaption	3,1	3,2	10,0
4	Increasing prices for sustainable feedstock for ethanol production	2,9	3,0	8,7
6	Unsupportive or only short-term policies frameworks lead to changes in the market (e.g. green premiums)	2,7	3,2	8,6



### Swedish Biofuels ATJ technology is GHG emissions neutral

- Potential to achieve negative carbon emissions by integrating side streams
- Swedish Biofuels ATJ-SKA technology gives a complete, 100 %, replacement for fossil jet fuel



	Value	Value
КРІ	Current energy supply	Sustainable energy supply
Carbon dioxide Equivalent Emission Reduction of supply chain and operation	44%	95%
Increased efficiency of resources consumption	Not estimated	Not estimated



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# Main learning



- Technical economic assessment Revenue much higher than investment
- Market assessment Large demand for SAF and significant increase in advanced bioethanol production, so feedstock availability not a burden
- Sustainability assessment ATJ plant is CO<sub>2</sub> neutral. Renewable energy supplies are important for all stages of production

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# Q: Integrate or Segregate



- Main considerations relate to
  - Green energy mix
  - Transport distance
- Integrate
  - Utility of side streams e.g. biogenic carbon dioxide capture and use in ATJ-SKA plant can lead to negative carbon emissions
- Standalone
  - Flexibility
- Both work; circumstances dictate