

Getting into hot water: An opportunity for the Petroleum Industry

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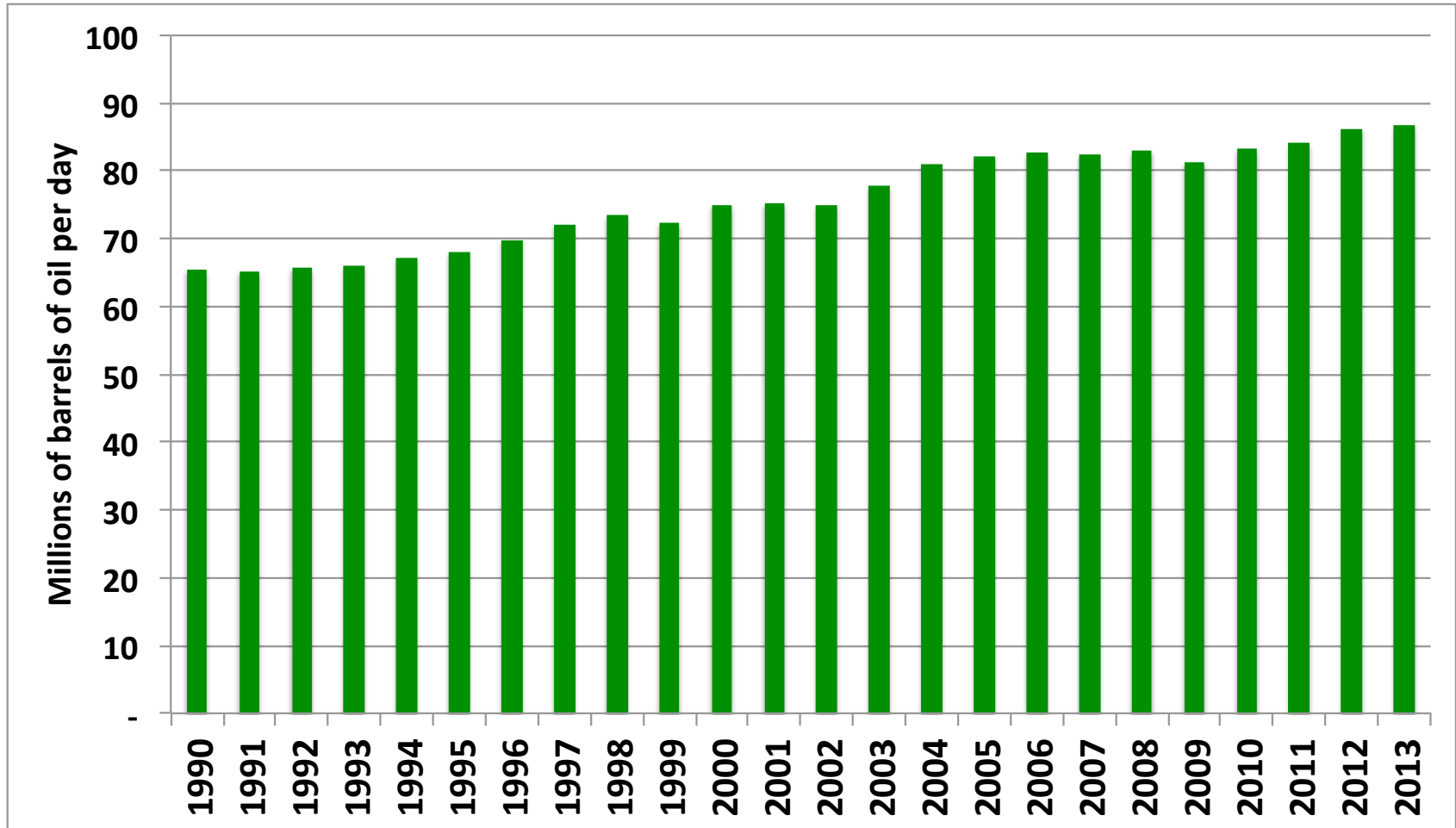


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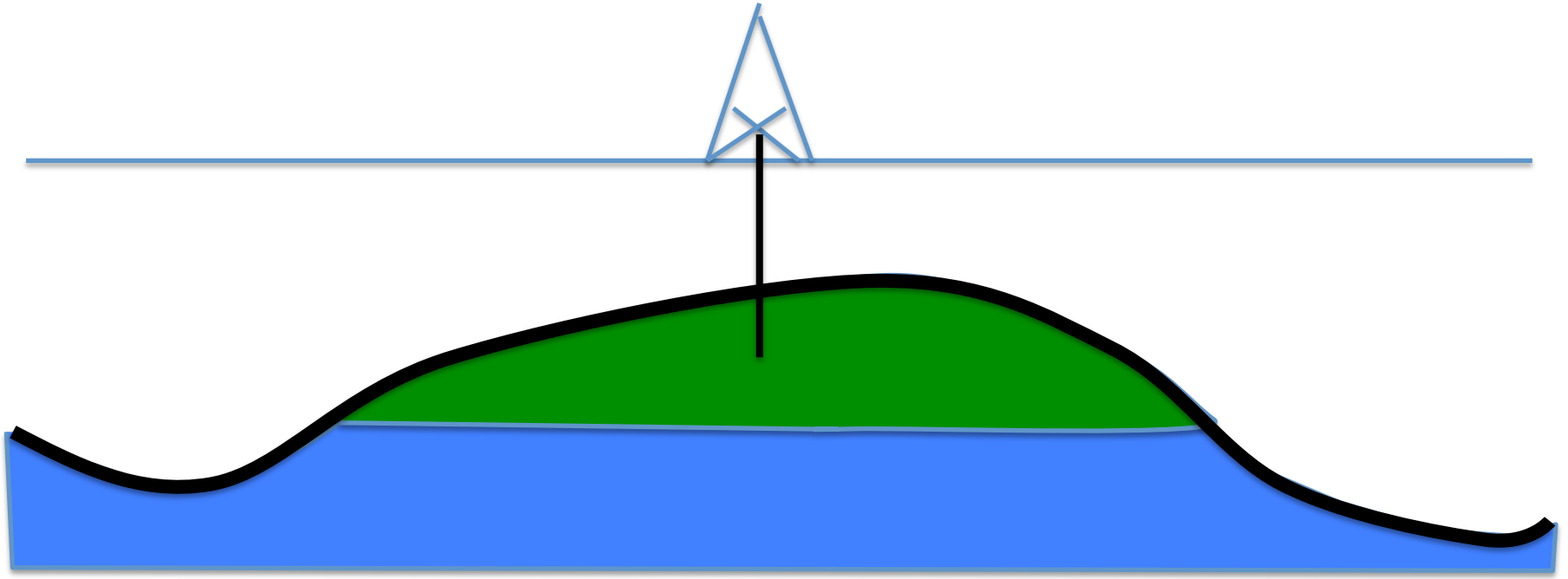
- Global oil production
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- Examples of co-produced water N Sea fields
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- Global potential for power generation from co-produced water



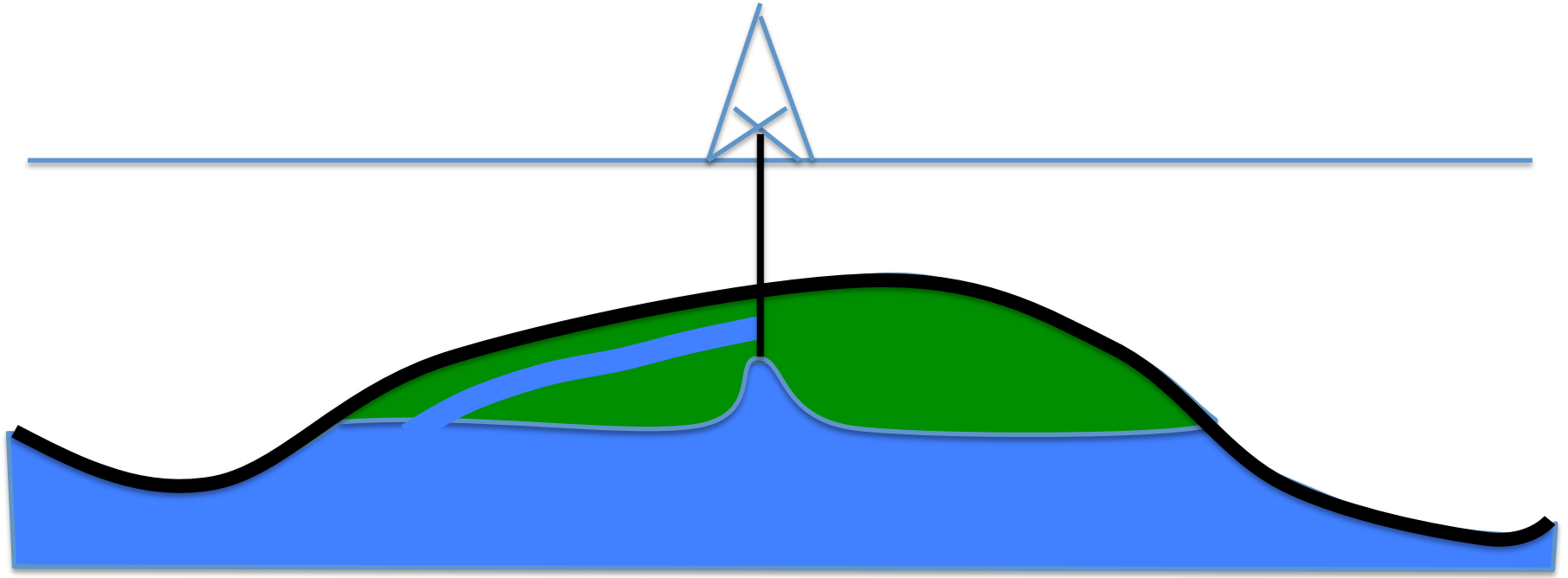
Global Oil Production



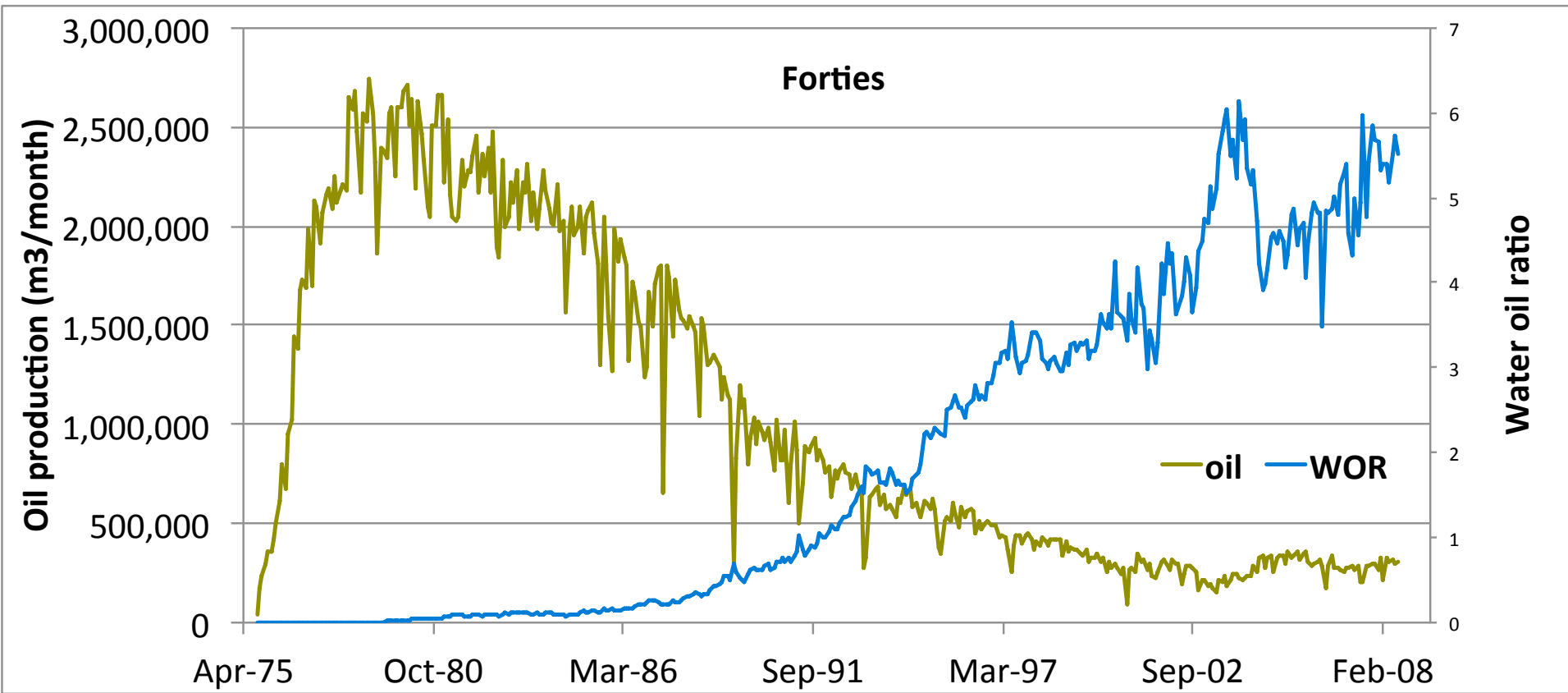
Initial Water Free Production



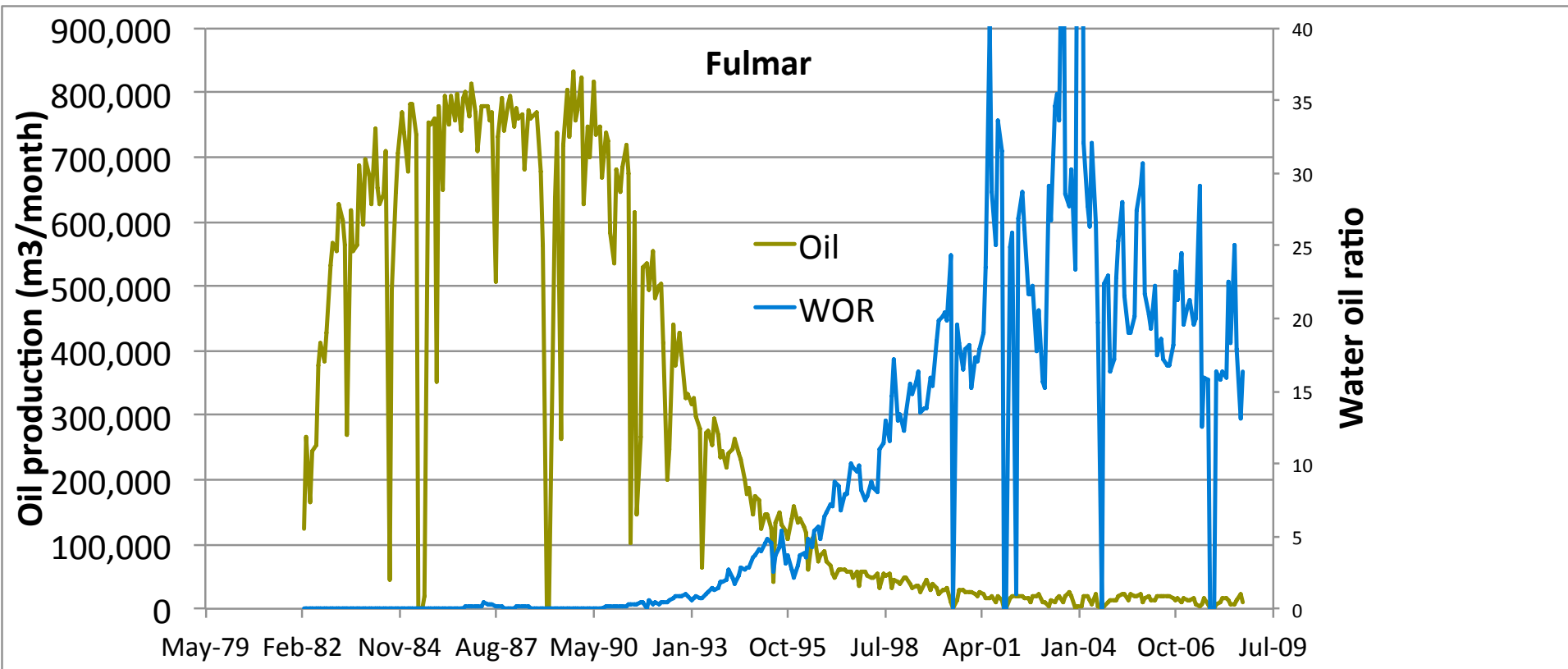
Co-produced Water



UK Forties Oil + Water Production



UK Fulmar Oil + Water Production



Southampton District Energy Scheme

- Single borehole
 - Start-up 1986
 - Rate 15-20 lsec⁻¹
(\equiv 39,500-52,600 m³month⁻¹ or 8,200-11,000 bwpd)
 - Power \sim 1.7MW



Triassic Sherwood Sandstone - Outcrop

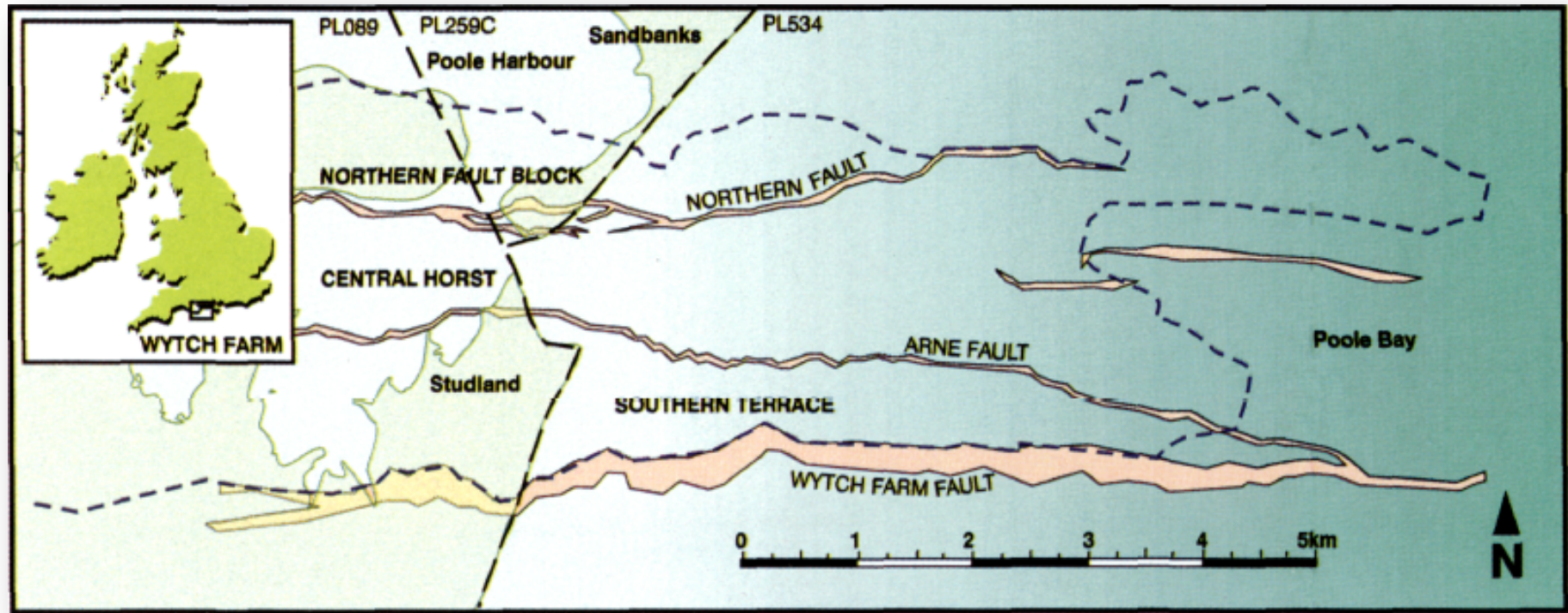
- High net to gross reservoir
- High porosity
- High permeability
- High kv/kh



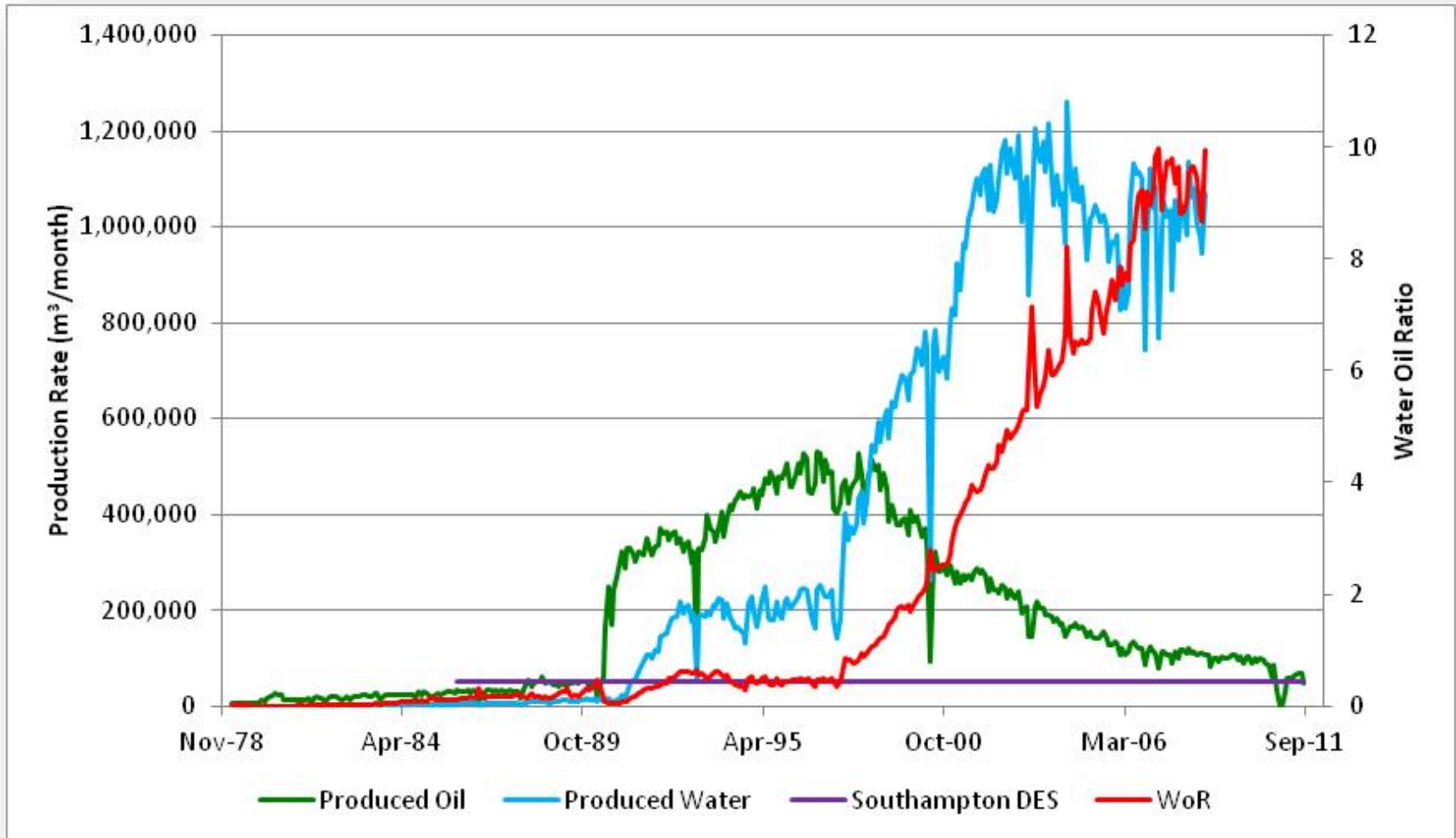
Sherwood Sandstone Ladram Bay, Devon, October 2011



Triassic Sherwood Sandstone – Wytch Farm Field

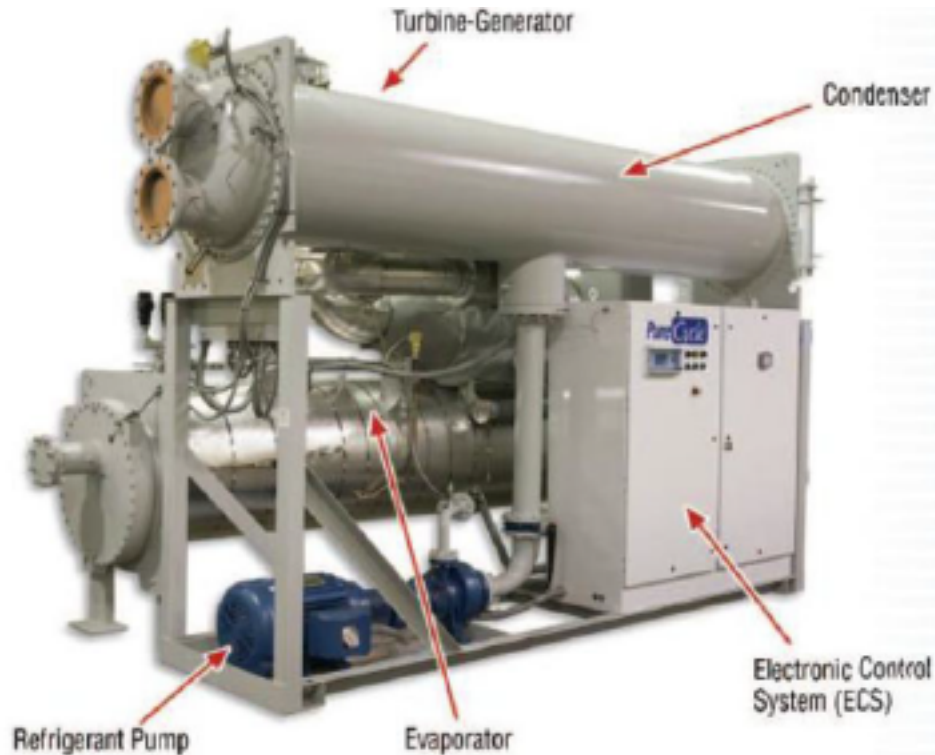
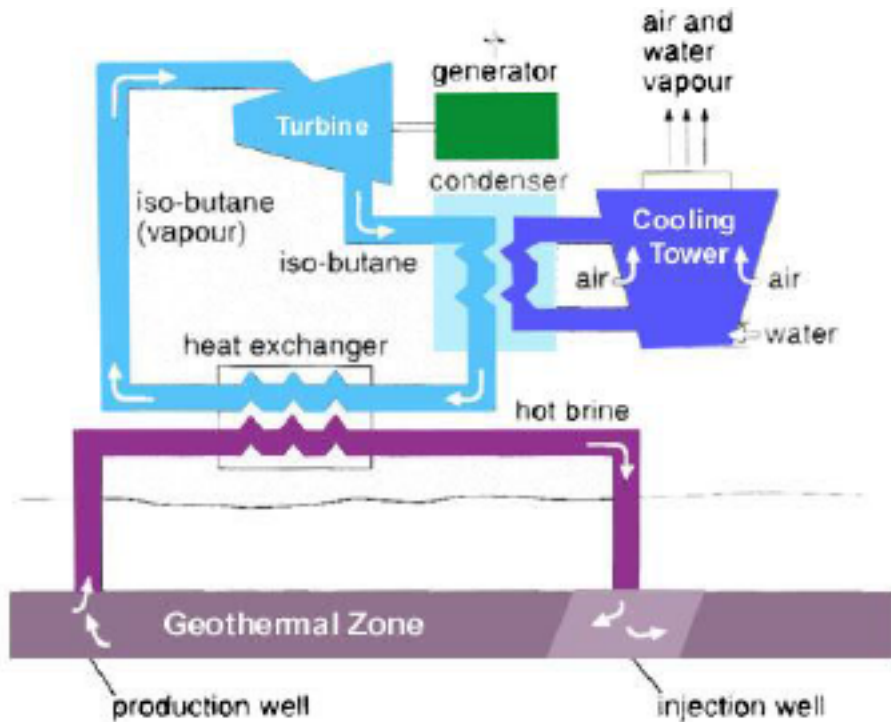


Production Performance Wytch Farm & Southampton DES



Power Production

- The Organic Rankine Cycle (Binary power plant)
- Typically 1-20 MW
- Size 'sea container' & 150+ tonnes

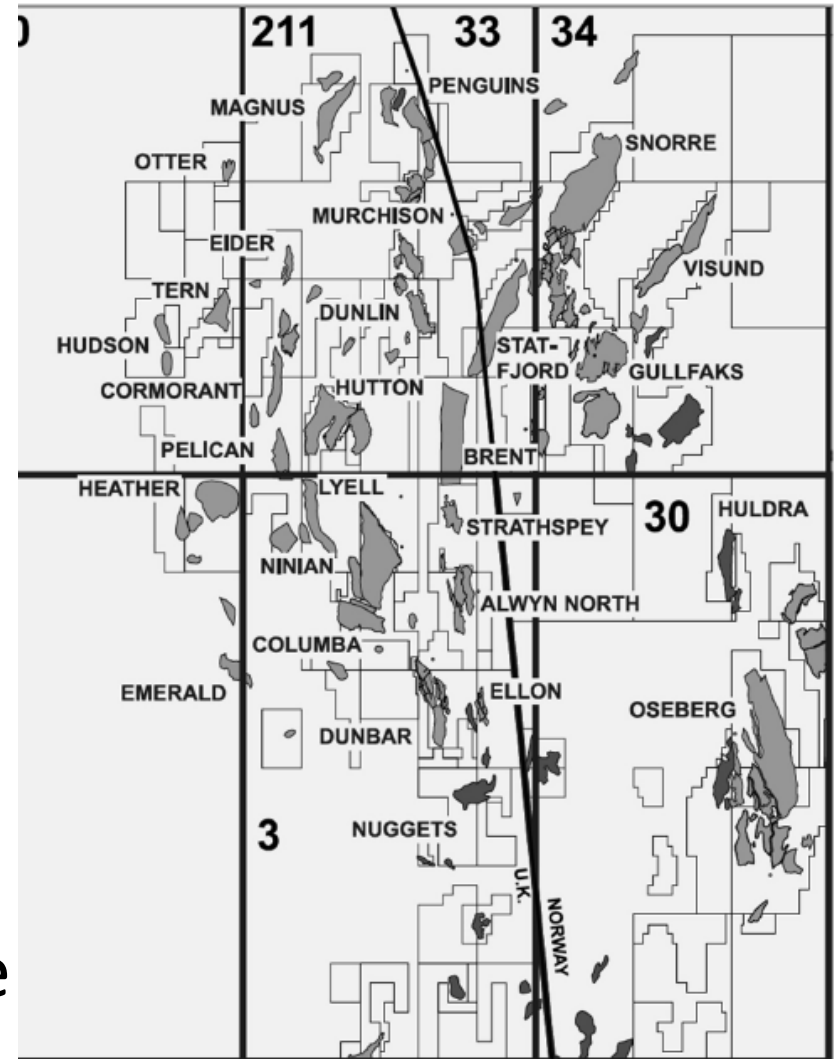


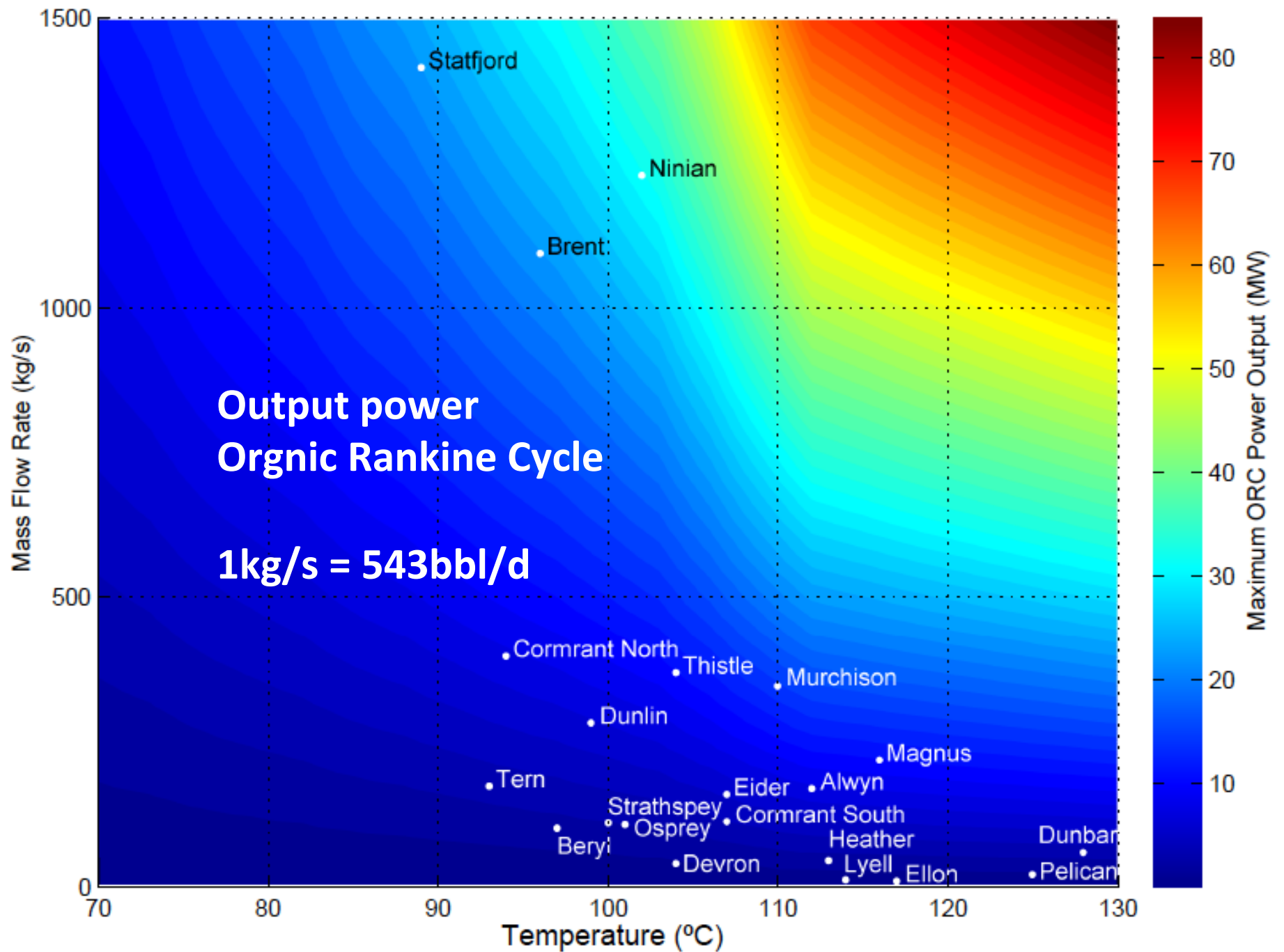
Pratt & Whitney PreCycle 250kW

The North Viking Graben, UKCS

Late Life Production Chokes

- Water handling
- Water/oil separation & discharge
- Scaling
- Injectivity
- Aging infrastructure
- Power generation & hence water injection/pressure maintenance



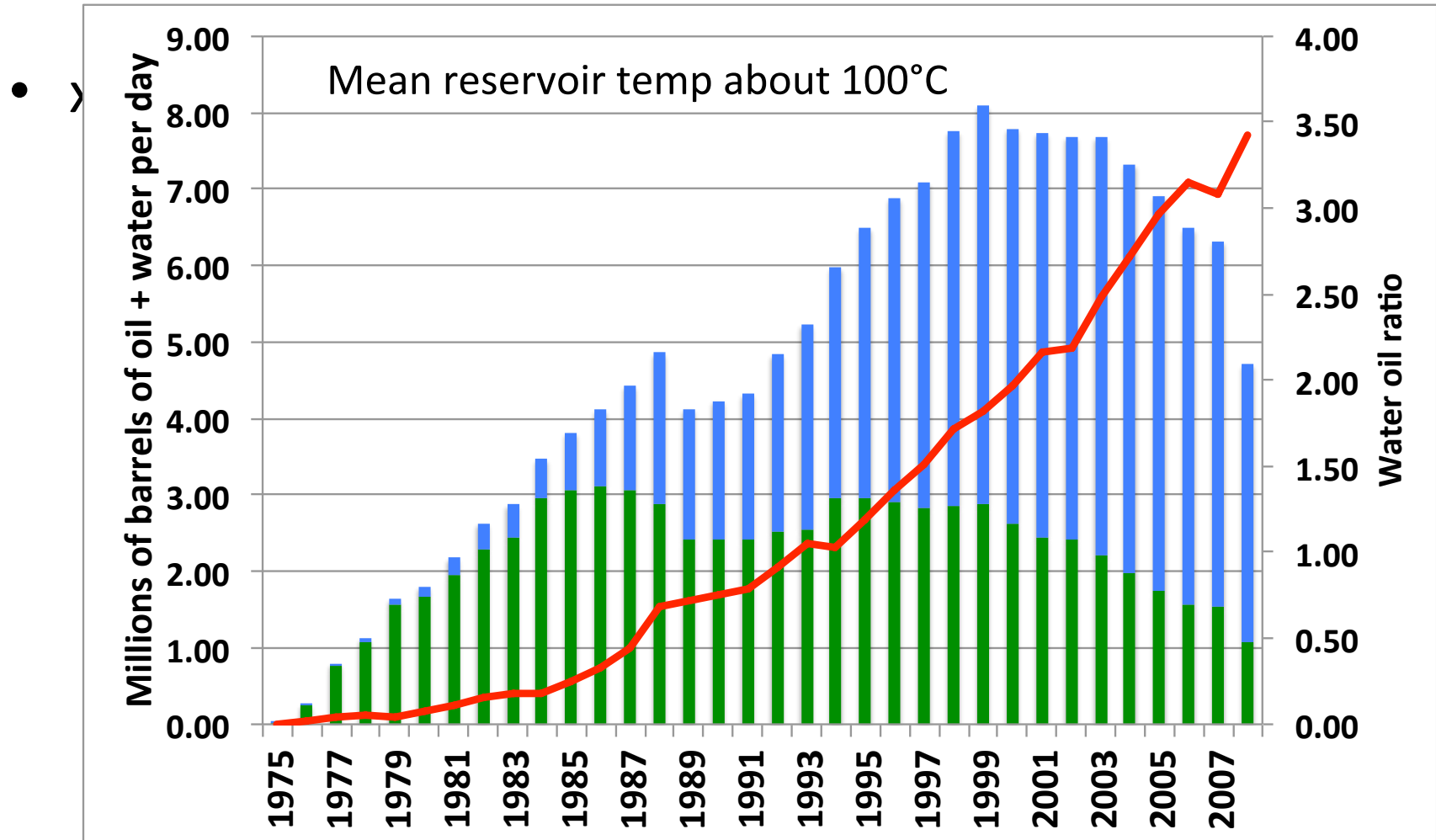


Name	Mass Flow Rate (kg/s)	Temperature (°C)	Max. Power Output (MW)
Ellon	9.29	117	0.45
Lyell	11.25	114	0.52
Pelican	20.51	125	1.09
Devron	39.54	104	1.09
Heather	44.88	113	2.05
Dunbar	58.43	128	3.2
Beryl	100.88	97	2.1
Osprey	107.15	101	2.66
Strathspey	110.29	100	2.59
Cormorant South	111.94	107	3.67
Eider	159.22	107	5.22
Alwyn North (East)	168.71	112	7.58
Tern	173.17	93	3.15
Magnus	218.65	116	10.36
Dunlin	282.72	99	6.39
Murchison	346.46	110	14.1
Thistle	369.93	104	10.19
Cormorant North	398.72	94	7.57
Brent	1096.62	96	22.28
Ninian	1231.1	102	31.01
Statfjord	1417.43	89	22.56

Power Generation (from co-produced water)



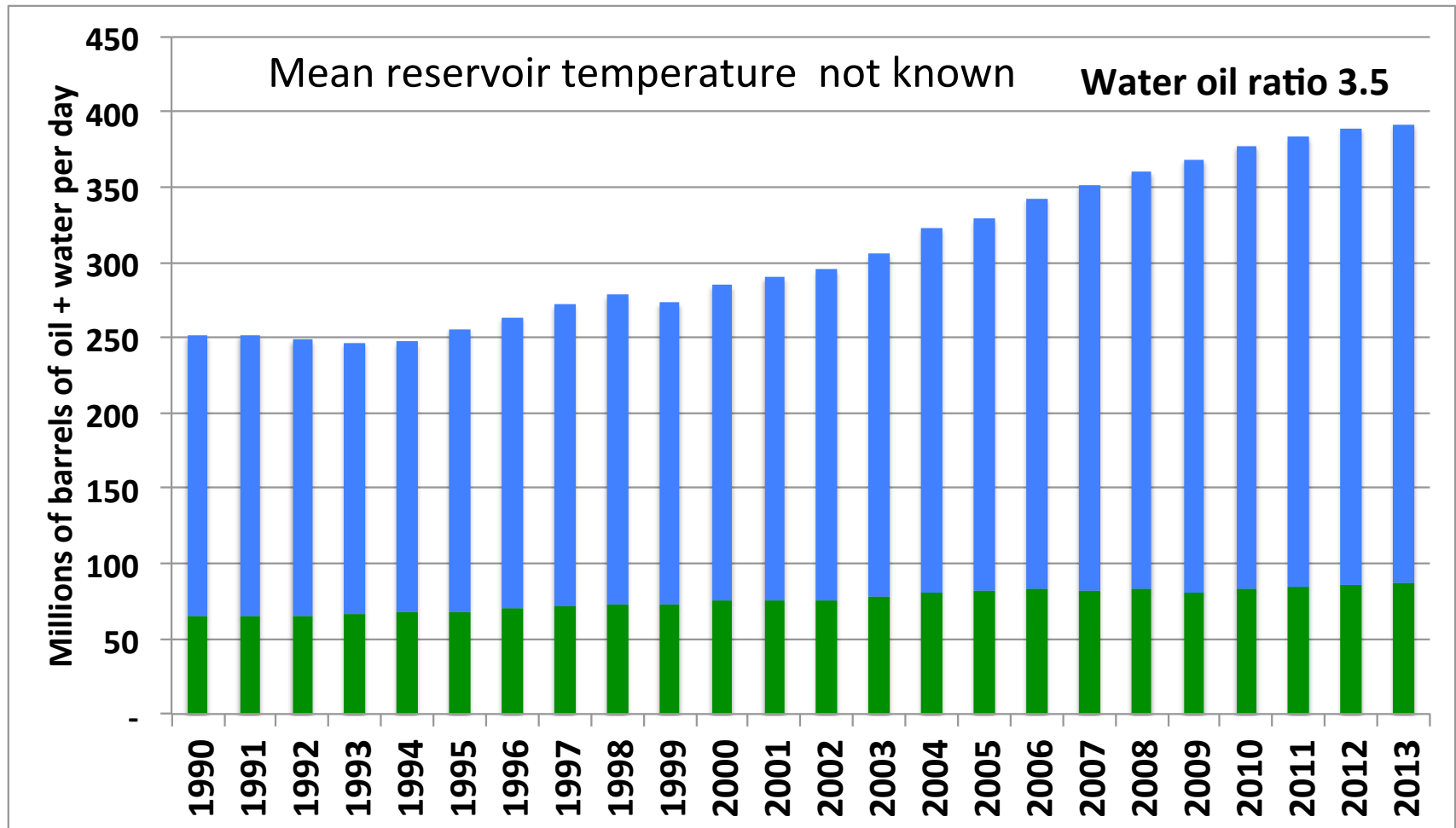
UK Oil + Water Production



5 million bbl/d @ av 100°C = 250 MW



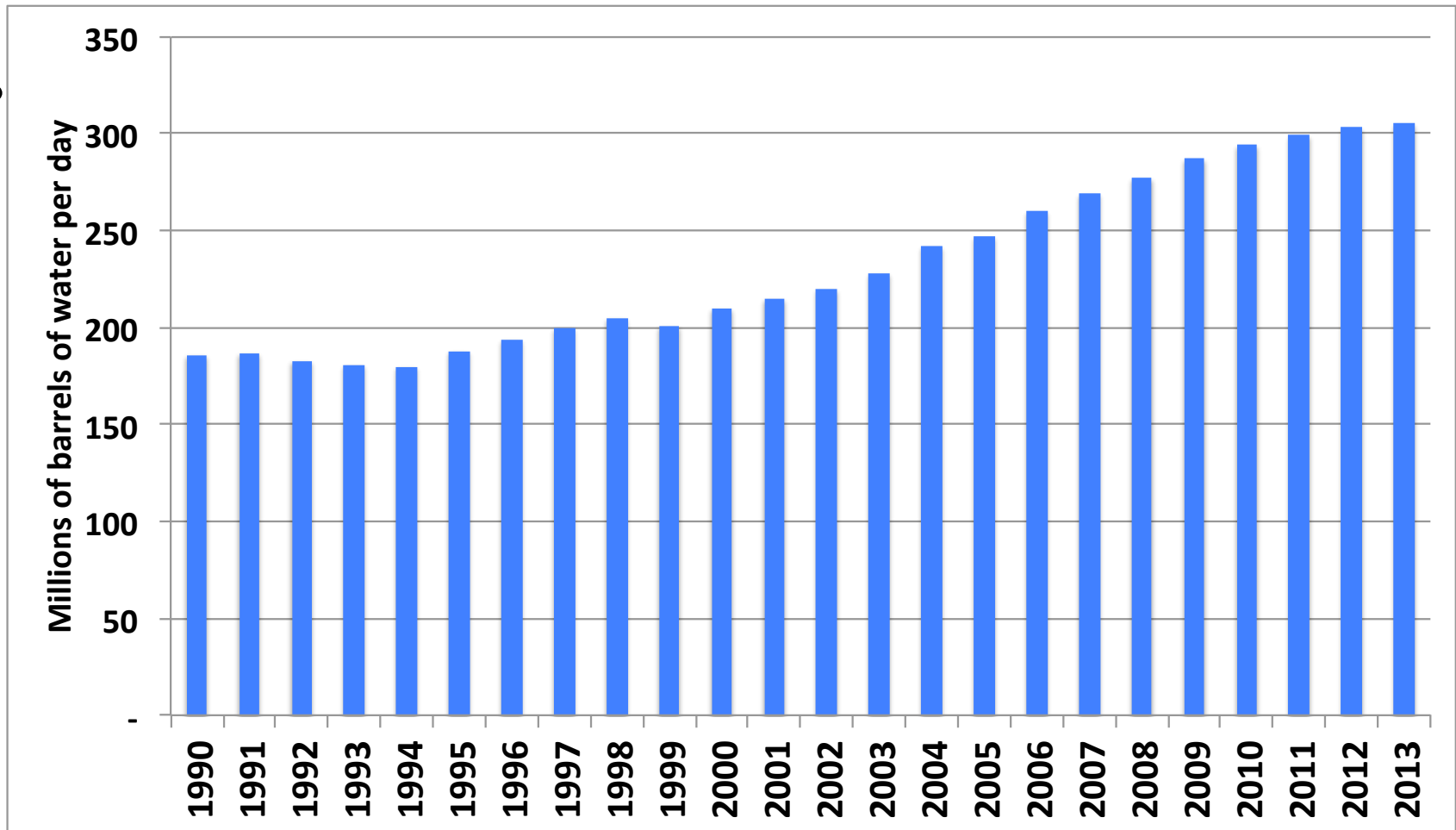
Global Oil + Water Production



300 million bbl/d @ av ?°C = 15,000 MW



Global Water Production

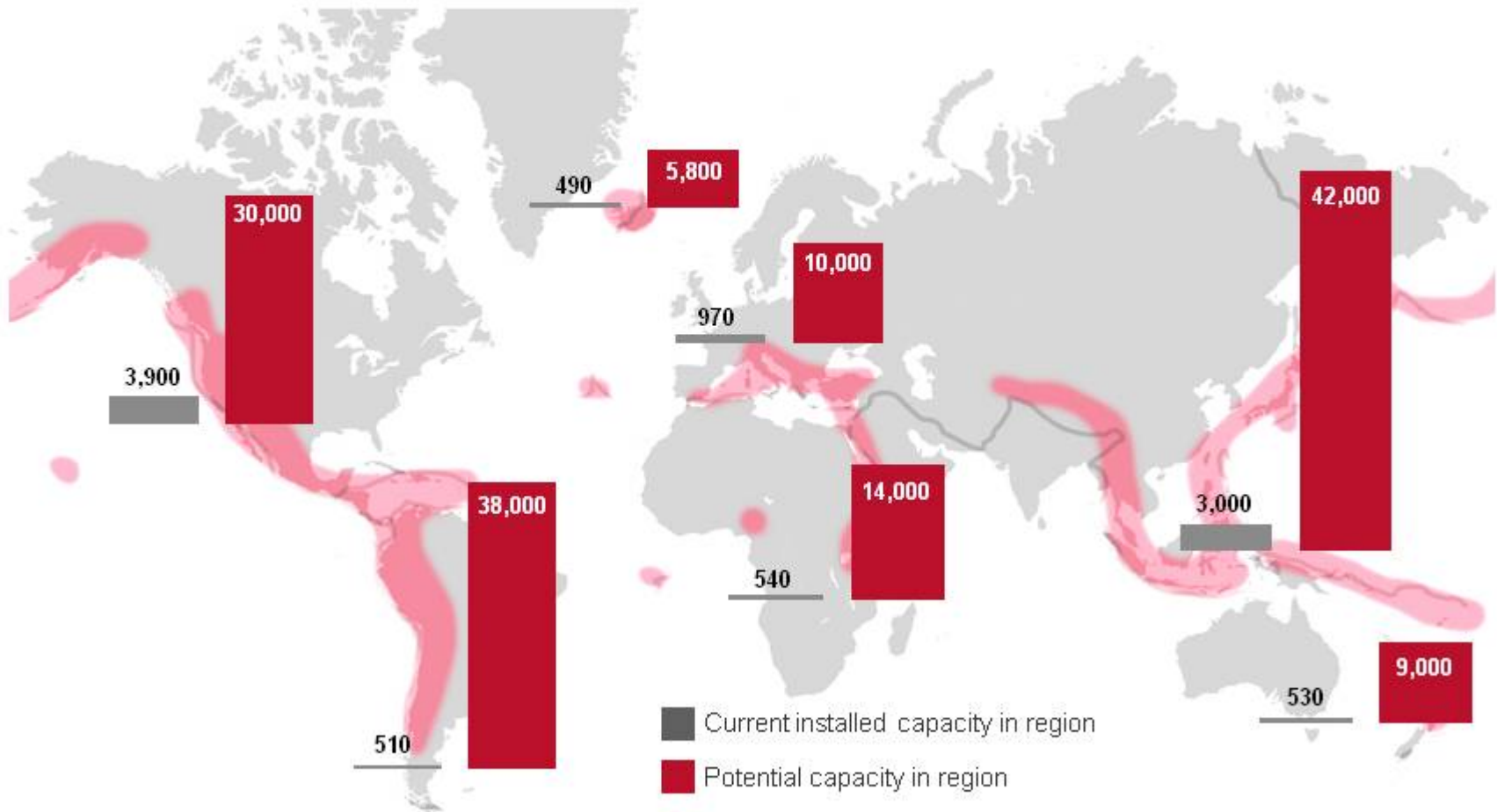


About 70% of water production is onshore



World geothermal energy potential

Production about 12.000 MW & Potential 150.000 MW



Source:

GLITNIR

Glitnir Research, 2008 US Market Report

Geothermal



Conclusions – Global Power Production

- Dedicated geothermal plants produce about 12,000 MW
- TODAY the oil industry could generate >15,000 MW at a water oil ratio of about 3.
- The most mature of oil fields produce >>10x more water than oil and this would rise if the co-produced water had value rather than being a cost.
- The oil industry could be a globally significant geothermal power producer & the waste heat recovery potential is substantially higher

