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49 ABSTRACT

50 The climate change impact of carbon capture and storage (CCS) depends on how much CO₂ is stored
 51 underground, yet databases of industrial-scale projects frequently use capture capacity as a measure
 52 of project size. We review a variety of publicly available sources to estimate the amount of CO₂ that
 53 has been captured and stored by operational CCS facilities since 1996. We organise these sources into
 54 three categories broadly corresponding to the associated degree of assurance: 1) legal assurance, 2)
 55 quality assurance through auditing, 3) no assurance. Data were found for 20 facilities, with an
 56 aggregate capture rate capacity of 36 MtCO₂ yr⁻¹. Combining data from all three categories, we
 57 estimate that 29 MtCO₂ was geologically stored in 2019 and there was cumulative storage of 197 Mt
 58 over the period 1996-2020. The widely used capture capacity for these projects is in aggregate 19-
 59 30% higher than the estimated storage rates suggesting that capture capacity is not a good proxy for
 60 storage rates. The difference between capture capacity and storage rates is project-specific and not
 61 always a reflection of project performance. This work provides a snapshot of storage amounts and
 62 highlights the need for uniform project reporting on capture and storage rates with quality assurance.

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64 Keywords: CCS; carbon storage; energy; climate change mitigation; CCS statistics

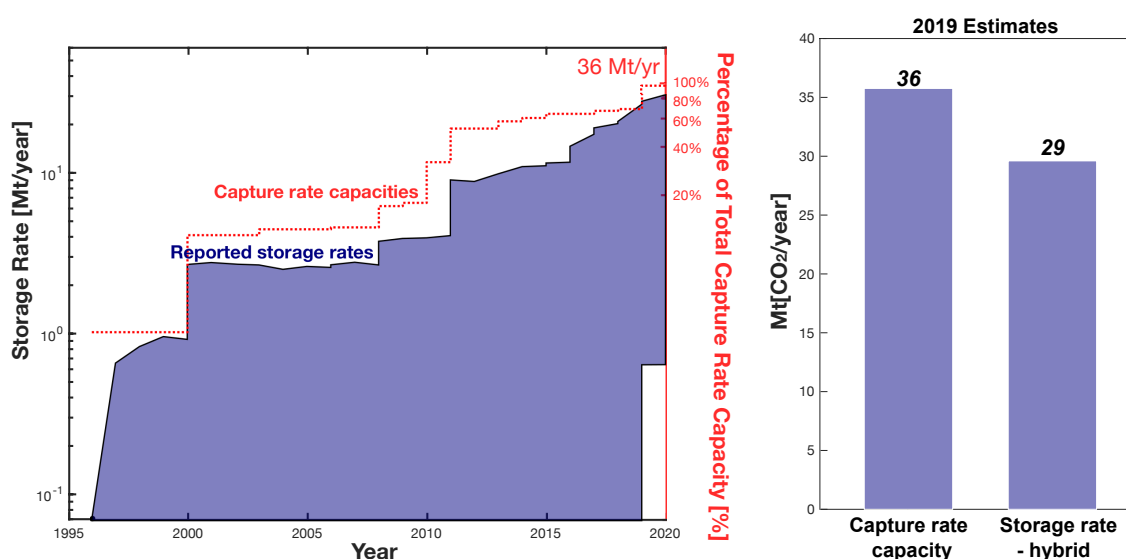
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66 Synopsis: current measures of CCS project size report capture rate capacity; we find stored CO₂ could
 67 be less than this by 30%.

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72 INTRODUCTION

73 Modelled energy systems development pathways limiting global warming to less than 2°C suggest that
74 rapid upscaling of carbon capture and storage (CCS) with global injection rates reaching 5-10 GtCO₂ per
75 year by 2050 may be required¹. Due to the importance of CCS in modelled climate mitigation pathways,
76 the feasibility of achieving these rates by mid-century is central to our understanding of the potential to
77 avoid dangerous climate change. With increasing numbers of industry-scale storage projects operating
78 around the world, data is becoming available through which project performance, and scaleup potential,
79 may be evaluated.

80 The most centralised and up to date information comes from the annual reports and database of the
81 Global CCS Institute (GCCSI)². Similar datasets were produced in the recent past by the MIT Carbon
82 Capture and Sequestration Technologies Program³ and the National Energy Technology Laboratory
83 (NETL)⁴. However, they stopped updating in 2016 and 2019, respectively. Additionally, there are several
84 websites compiling lists of active CCS projects^{5,6}. In many cases, the GCCSI is used as the primary source of
85 these compilations^{3,4,5,6}. The measure used in the databases to describe the size of projects is the capture
86 capacity reported in megatonnes per annum (Mtpa). As of 2021, the global capture capacity was estimated
87 at 40 MtCO₂ yr⁻¹ from 26 operational CCS facilities^{2,7,8,9}.

88 Despite this reporting, there are information gaps that present challenges to quantifying the current
89 state of CCS. There is no set definition of capture capacity. It appears to take on various meanings among
90 projects including aspirational target, maximum based on capture facility design, and capture rate
91 achieved in a particular year. Actual rates of capture, transport, and storage are not centrally reported.
92 This information is necessary for the evaluation of the climate change mitigation impact of existing
93 operations. Tracking amounts of CO₂ captured, transported, and stored can help to identify factors arising
94 throughout a CCS chain. Variations in the performance of industry-scale CCS may also help us to
95 understand and mitigate the range of issues affecting the performance of projects.

96 In this study, we investigate publicly available information on CO₂ storage rates for industrial scale CCS
97 projects since 1996, the first year of injection for the Sleipner project in Norway. We first classify the data
98 sources and review how current statistics are reported. From this, we compile a global CO₂ storage
99 database and estimate the amount of CO₂ that has been captured and geologically stored. We analyse
100 discrepancies between estimated storage rates and the more widely reported capture capacity. Finally, we
101 provide recommendations for future reporting.

102 2 MATERIALS & METHODS

103 2.1 Project Selection

104 We use the database of the GCCSI, cross-checked against other databases where possible, to
105 identify industrial scale projects². Of the 26 operational carbon capture facilities listed in GCCSI, we
106 estimate captured and stored amounts for 20 of these projects, representing 93% of the existing global
107 operational capture capacity. The 2020 GCCSI database only provides the name of the capture facility², so
108 we first identify the associated storage operators and sites for each capture project by performing an
109 extensive review of online resources using the capture facility name as initial keywords in search engines.
110 We find relevant web pages that provide descriptions of the capture and storage projects i.e., project
111 websites, CCS databases or operator's websites^{3,4,5,6}. We provide the final data references used in the
112 sources column in Table 1-12 of the Supporting Information. In our database, 14 projects are enhanced oil
113 recovery (EOR) in which the CO₂ is injected into depleted oil reservoirs to recover additional oil and six
114 projects are storing CO₂ in deep saline aquifers for dedicated long-term geological storage^{2,8}. We did not
115 find sufficient data reported across the literature, press releases, or company documents for the remaining
116 six operational projects from the GCCSI 2020 database² and these were excluded from our analysis.

117 2.2 Measures of storage performance

118 We compile estimates of four performance measures for each project (Table 1). The capture rate
119 capacity is taken as a benchmark from the reporting of the GCCSI. The capture rate is an estimate of the
120 CO₂ captured. Two storage rates are estimated that we label hybrid and average, due to the non-
121 uniformity in data reporting. These are each described in more detail here. The year for which we found
122 the most reporting is 2019 and we provide aggregate capacity and storage estimates for this year. We also
123 compile time-series for each project and in aggregate.

124 The capture rate capacity is obtained from the GCCSI's report for the period 2019-2020. Capture
125 rate capacity can have a variety of meanings for different projects, including the maximum quantity of CO₂
126 that has been captured in a year during its operational lifetime, the maximum amount of CO₂ that can be
127 captured in a year based on the facility design, the average capture rate for a given period, and the
128 intended capture target for a year. Despite the varied meanings, we refer to this figure as the capture rate
129 capacity and use it as a reference for comparison because of its widespread use as a measure of project
130 size.

131 The capture rate is an estimate of the annual amount of CO₂ that has been captured after the
132 project commenced. Of the captured amount, some may be recycled or re-used for producing chemicals.
133 Therefore, it is necessary to additionally distinguish the amount of CO₂ that is geologically sequestered
134 from the initial capture rate. However, for many projects, the capture rate is not reported. In this case,
135 either the reported annual storage rate or the lifetime average from the project cumulative storage is used
136 as the capture rate for the project.

137 Due to a lack of uniformity in the data reported we use two metrics to compare the storage
 138 performance. The storage rate – average is an estimated average over the lifetime of a project. This was
 139 calculated using either the reported cumulative storage or the sum of annual storage reported for
 140 projects. The storage rate – hybrid is an estimate that uses the annual storage rate where possible (only
 141 some projects provided this data) and the average storage rate for projects that only provided the
 142 cumulative storage.

143 *Table 1: Summary of definitions for performance metrics.*

Performance Metric	Definitions
Capture rate capacity	1) Maximum CO ₂ captured in a particular year 2) Maximum amount of CO ₂ that can be captured in a year based on the facility design 3) Average capture rate for a given period 4) Intended capture target
Capture rate	An estimate of the annual amount of CO ₂ that has been captured after the project commenced
Storage rate – hybrid	An estimate that uses the annual storage rate where possible (only some projects provided this data) and the average storage rate
Storage rate – average	An estimated average over the lifetime of a project

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145 2.3 Data sources and source categorisation

146 We compile our database using multiple sources for projects when possible. We placed these
 147 sources into three categories (Table 2), broadly corresponding to the degree of legal liability or auditing
 148 associated with the reporting. The highest degree of assurance is Category 1 data, and the lowest degree
 149 of assurance is Category 3.

150 Data in the first category are reported under authoritative legal frameworks including the National
 151 Inventory Report submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the
 152 Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program at the US Environment Protection Agency (EPA; Category 1)^{10,11}. These
 153 reporting frameworks follow the requirements of the institutions for quality assurance such as internal
 154 technical reviews by an expert review team and verification protocols^{12,13,14}. As a result, these types of
 155 international and national frameworks employ relatively rigorous quality control and assurance of the
 156 reported CO₂ capture and storage data.

157 We obtain Category 2 data from annual corporate sustainability or Environmental, Social and
 158 Governance reports that describe the quantitative performance of CCS projects. These reports are also
 159 accompanied by statements that offer some assurance, provided by an independent assurance service,

160 e.g., KPMG. In this category we also include the China Annual Report 2019 prepared by the Chinese
 161 Academy of Environmental Planning, an organisation founded by the Chinese government¹⁵.

162 In Category 3 sources we include company websites, press releases, and presentations that
 163 provide information on capture and storage rates, but without an associated statement of legal assurance
 164 or quality control of the data. The categories are summarised in Table 2.

165 *Table 2: A summary of the three categories of sources of reporting on CO₂ storage with varying degrees of data assurance*
 166 *and quality control associated with each category. Category 1 sources (green) have the highest degree of assurance,*
 167 *followed by category 2 (blue), and category 3 (red).*

Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNFCCC • US EPA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Sustainability report • Corporate ESG report • Non-governmental organisation prepared reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press releases • Webpages • Company presentations

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169 2.3 Data analysis

170 As described above we report data in four categories: capture rate capacity, capture rate, storage
 171 rate – hybrid, and average. These are estimates based on data that can be gathered from publicly available
 172 resources provided by operators. The exclusion of projects that have not publicly reported data may result
 173 in these estimates to be lower than the quantity of CO₂ stored in practice. We provide these values in units
 174 of MtCO₂ per year and report the capture and storage rates as a fraction of the capture rate capacity. We
 175 also quantify the fraction of the capture rate that is sequestered. Finally, we calculate the average annual
 176 growth rate in capture rate capacities and storage rates between 1996-2020 using the aggregate capture
 177 rate capacities time series and the aggregate storage hybrid time series.

178 For each project, we compile data from multiple sources with varying levels of assurance. As a
 179 result, several projects in our database have data collected for each performance metric found using more
 180 than one category of source. We record all collected data and indicate their respective source category.
 181 Data associated with the most rigorously assured source for each project is used to calculate the measures
 182 used in comparing between projects. We provide a measure of uncertainty by recalculating the aggregate
 183 using data associated with sources that have the lowest level of assurance. In this approach, uncertainty is
 184 a reflection of the deviation that exists in the reporting among various sources. Different sources often
 185 report the same numbers. As a result, performance metrics for each project have no more than two
 186 entries of data. Therefore, we do not report mean or standard deviations because they are likely
 187 statistically irrelevant.

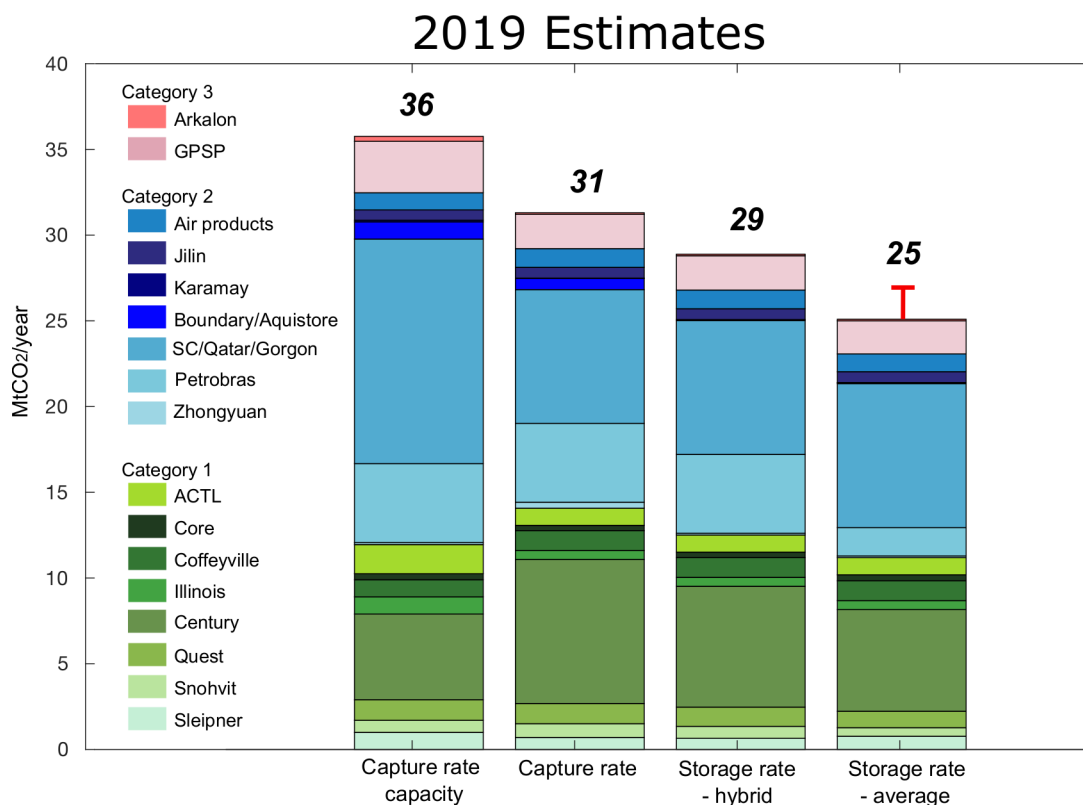
188 3 RESULTS & DISCUSSION

189 3.1 Aggregate rates and cumulative storage

190 Here, we show comparisons between the 2019 aggregate capture rate capacity, capture rate,
191 storage rate – hybrid and average for the 20 CCS projects for which we found information (Figure 1 and
192 Table 3; full data are provided in the Supporting Information). The total capture rate capacity in 2019 is 36
193 $\text{MtCO}_2 \text{ yr}^{-1}$. Including all categories (1-3) of data for these projects, we estimate an aggregate capture rate
194 of 31 $\text{MtCO}_2 \text{ yr}^{-1}$ - 88% of the aggregate capture rate capacity. The aggregate storage rate - hybrid is 29
195 $\text{MtCO}_2 \text{ yr}^{-1}$ (81% of aggregate capture rate capacity and 92% of the aggregate capture rate). The aggregate
196 storage rate - average is 25 $\text{MtCO}_2 \text{ yr}^{-1}$, representing 70% of the aggregate capture rate capacity or 80% of
197 the aggregate capture rate. Notably, we find that data for >90% of the estimated capture and storage
198 rates fall into Category 1 or 2 sources (green and blue shades in Figure 1).

199 Variation in reported values among sources is reported in Table 4 and shown as an uncertainty bar
200 over the average storage rate estimate in Figure 1. For the storage rate - hybrid, variations in estimates
201 using different categories of sources are entirely due to the significant figures reported by different
202 sources. For the storage rate - average, the variation is more significant when considering the varying
203 sources, particularly for the Century project. This is mostly due to the high annual storage data reported by
204 the operator Occidental Petroleum of 12.4 $\text{MtCO}_2 \text{ yr}^{-1}$ in 2017 (Category 2 source)¹⁶ compared to the data
205 reported in the EPA database (Table 4)^{17,18}. Thus, for the most part, there is consistency in reporting when
206 multiple channels of reporting have taken place.

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209 *Figure 1: Plot comparing the compiled 2019 estimates of capture rate capacity, capture rate, average storage rate and*
 210 *storage rate for 20 operational CCS projects. The range of colours illustrate the distribution of projects across the three*
 211 *reporting categories (definitions of each category are summarised in Table 1) and it is showing the maximum reporting*
 212 *category identified for each project. The uncertainty bar is only illustratble for "storage rate - average shown in red.*
 213 *Definitions of rates compared here and source categorisation is provided in **Methods**. Summary statistics are provided in*
 214 *Table 2.*

215 *Table 3: Summary statistics for data presented in Figure 1 differentiating the proportion of estimates for each performance*
 216 *metric that is associated with the three categories of sources. Comparison between the capture rate capacity with other key*
 217 *performance metrics as well as the proportions of aggregate capture rate that is translated into storage are also provided.*

Source Category	2019 capture and storage rates			
	Capture rate capacity [MtCO ₂ yr ⁻¹]	Capture rate [MtCO ₂ yr ⁻¹]	Storage rate – hybrid [MtCO ₂ yr ⁻¹]	Storage rate – average [MtCO ₂ yr ⁻¹]
Category 1	11.95	14.11	12.51	11.19
Category 2	20.52	15.22	14.28	11.89
Category 3	3.29	2.09	2.09	2.02
Total	35.76	31.42	28.89	25.09
% of aggregate capture rate capacity		88%	81%	70%
% of aggregate capture rate			92%	80%

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219 *Table 4: Summary statistics for four projects that have multiple categories of sources collected for various performance*
 220 *metrics. The upper and lower bound of aggregate estimates for each performance metric are also indicated. Uncertainty is*
 221 *estimated relative to a baseline which is provided by the reporting with the highest degree of assurance, e.g., category 1*
 222 *data for a project will provide the baseline, variation from that baseline is calculated for category 2 and 3 data. The storage*
 223 *rate - average that are indicated in bold are obtained from the reported cumulative storage reported as opposed to the sum*

224 of year-on-year data. N/A indicate where no meaningful comparison can be derived from different estimates of cumulative
 225 storage because the number of years included in the averaging period is not consistent.

CO ₂ capture facility	2019 Storage rates, cumulative storage, and reporting variation						Averaging Period	Source category
	Storage rate– hybrid [MtCO ₂ yr ⁻¹]		Storage rate – average [MtCO ₂ yr ⁻¹]		Cumulative storage [MtCO ₂]			
Quest	1.128	Baseline	0.96	Baseline	4.8	Baseline	2015-2019	1
	1.13	+0.2%	0.9	-6.25%	5.39	+12%	2016-2020	2 & 3
Sleipner + Snhovit	0.65 + 0.7	Baseline	0.77 + 0.5	Baseline	18.5 + 6.5	N/A	1996-2019	1
	1.37	-1.5%	1.1	-13%	26.2		1996-2020	2
Illinois Industrial CCS	0.52	Baseline	0.52	Baseline	1.55	N/A	2017-2019	1
	0.52	0	0.52	0	1.042		2019-2020	2
Century (Denver + Hobbs)	3.39 + 3.66	Baseline	3.232 + 2.70	Baseline	16.16 +	N/A	2016-2020	1
	7.1	-0.7%	8.56	+44%	25.66		2017-2019	2
Overall aggregate (all 20 projects)	28.89	Baseline	25.10	Baseline	196.68	Baseline		Highest assurance available
Overall aggregate (all 20 projects)	28.97	+0.28%	27.02	+7.6%	196.68	0		Lower assurance

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227 3.2 Annual reported storage rates 1996 - 2020

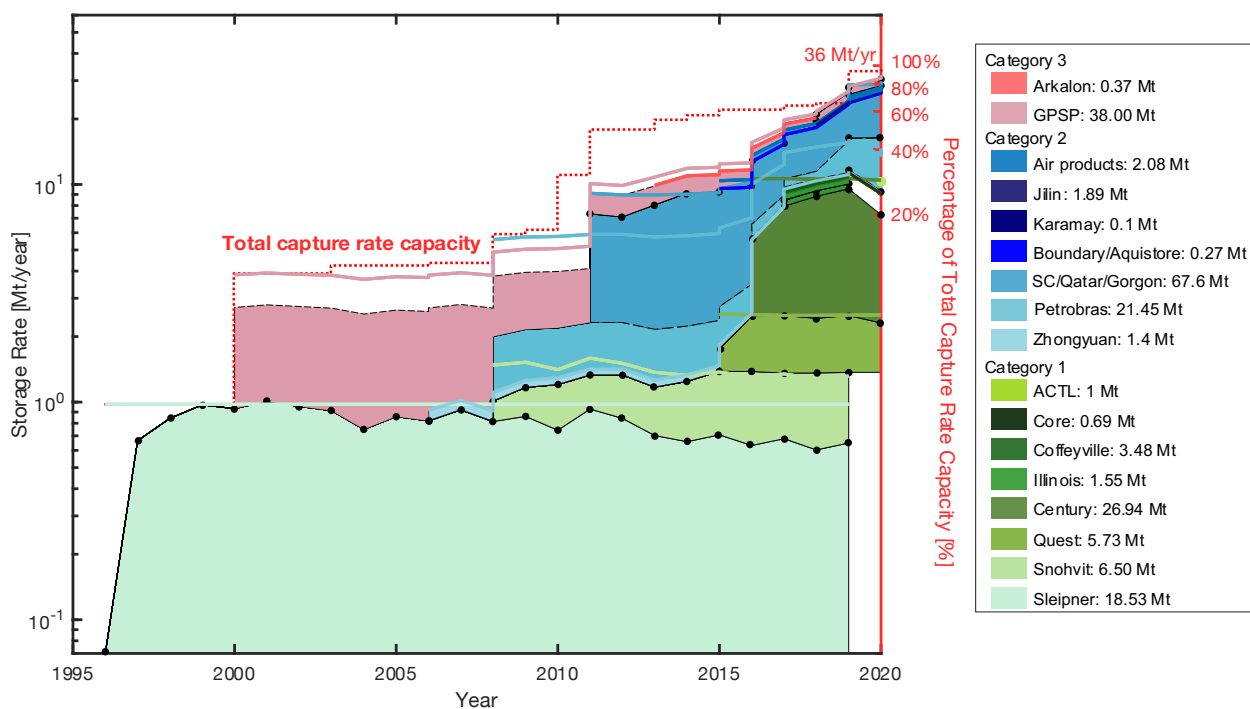
228 We compiled 17 time series of projects for the time period 1996-2020 in Figure 2. We illustrate
 229 differences between times series of specified annual storage data for some projects (black line joined with
 230 dots in Figure 2) and their associated capture rate capacities (coloured lines in Figure 2). Our results show
 231 that 12 out of 20 projects report storage rates (average or annual storage) that are < 85% of their capture
 232 rate capacity in 2019. These are Sleipner, Century, Illinois, ACTL projects, Zhongyuan, combined estimates
 233 of Shute Creek, Gorgon and Qatar, Karamay, Great Plains Synfuel Plant (GPSP), Arkalon, and Aquistore.
 234 Taking the second year of operation at Sleipner (i.e., 1998) as our initial point (to avoid the initial ramp up
 235 in operation at Sleipner which would skew the average growth rate), the average annual growth for
 236 aggregate capture rate capacity has been 24.6% and the annual growth in storage rates has been 23.1%
 237 using the aggregate hybrid time-series.

238 There are a variety of reasons driving these differences. For Sleipner with a declining storage rate
 239 and Snhovit with an increasing storage rate, the performance of the CCS system is linked to the production
 240 of natural gas which is the source of CO₂. Data provided by the Norwegian Petroleum Directorate suggest
 241 Sleipner's annual production of gas between 2000-2020 has been declining at an annual average rate of
 242 14% while the annual production of Snhovit is increasing at 8%^{19,20}. Technical difficulties are a factor for
 243 some projects. The Gorgon project in Western Australia experienced a delay in start-up due to corrosion of
 244 injection pipes and problems with their water production pressure management wells; injection rates were
 245 limited by governmental regulators^{21,12}. At the Boundary Dam capture facility, suspensions of the CCS

246 facility occurred due to scheduled maintenance, outages at the power station, and technical difficulties
247 with the CO₂ compressor²³. For Quest, the main contributor to the reduced capture rate in 2019 were
248 minor technical issues in the capture unit resulting in trips, planned maintenance and periods of lowered
249 hydrogen production demand^{24,25}. Finally, projects that have just begun operation i.e., Qatar LNG and ACTL
250 may be undergoing a period of ramp-up.

251 There are inconsistencies in the definitions of capture rate capacity used in the reporting. Thus,
252 the differences between capture rate capacity and the observed storage amounts may not reflect the
253 operating performance of the CCS system. At Sleipner, the capture rate capacity (1 Mt yr⁻¹) appears to be
254 the maximum CO₂ captured in 2001; the discrepancy between the amount stored and the capture capacity
255 inevitably increases over time as natural gas production declines even if the project is operating without
256 issue. In contrast, with Snohvit, Petrobras, and Air products, the capture rate capacity (0.7 Mt yr⁻¹, 4.6 Mt
257 yr⁻¹, and 1 Mt yr⁻¹, respectively) appears to be reported as an intended target and does not reflect the
258 technical capture capacity of the system. As a result, the actual capture and storage rates can at times
259 exceed their capture capacity. For Quest, the definition is unclear. According to the most recent
260 performance review²⁵, the percentage of CO₂ captured from the raw hydrogen gas stream did not reach
261 the anticipated target of 80%. It is unclear whether this is the equivalent to the reported capture capacity
262 of 1.2 Mt yr⁻¹. At Century, Illinois, Shute Creek, Gorgon and Qatar, the capture rate capacity appears to be
263 the maximum design capacity of the capture facility; for these projects, no information was found about
264 the discrepancies between capture capacity and storage rates. Similarly, for projects that only reported a
265 single figure of cumulative storage (Zhongyuan, Coffeyville, Aquistore, Jilin, GPSP, Karamay and Arkalon),
266 we could not critically evaluate the operating performance. The estimates of storage figures suggest that
267 the use of capture capacity as a proxy for storage rates may overestimate the amount of CO₂ stored by 19-
268 30%. At the same time, there are no systematic trends in the metrics. The reasons for differences in these
269 figures remain specific to each project.

270 The cumulative storage of CO₂ (between 1996 and 2020) is estimated to be 197 Mt, combining all
271 reporting categories (coloured area in Figure 2) - this is significant, equivalent to what had been achieved
272 by existing solar photovoltaics by 2015^{26, 27}. The annual growth in CCS deployment required to achieve
273 gigatonne scale impacts by 2050 is similar to current rates of growth in solar photovoltaics²⁸. The estimate
274 storage rate – hybrid of 29 MtCO₂ yr⁻¹ is approximately half of the estimated emissions avoided as a result
275 of solar photovoltaics deployment in the United States in 2018²⁹. The large-scale nature of each CCS
276 installation has been identified as a significant barrier to growth³⁰, but the benefit of large projects is
277 observed here in the disproportionately large climate impact of a technology early in its development, with
278 only scores of operational projects.



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 280 *Figure 2: Stacked times series of annual CO₂ storage between 1996 – 2020 to show the overall trend in storage operations.*
 281 *The annual storage rate (black smooth lines joined by dots) is compared with the capture rate capacity (coloured lines) for*
 282 *Sleipner, Snohvit, Quest, Century and combined Shute Creek, Qatar and Gorgon. Black dashed line illustrates time series*
 283 *compiled using the average storage rate as no specified annual storage was reported for these projects. The annual total*
 284 *capture rate capacity is indicated by the red dot line which culminates in 36 Mt yr⁻¹ in 2020. Note, the GCCSI indicates that*
 285 *the Shute Creek facility began operation in 1986 with a stated capture capacity of 7 Mt yr⁻¹. However, we only found*
 286 *storage data for Shute creek starting in 2011 and this is when it is included in the total capture capacity time series.*
 287 *Similarly, the GCCSI indicates capture capacity for Petrobras starting in 2013, but we have found storage data since 2008*
 288 *and this is where that time-series begins contributing to the total capture capacity. The area under each time series*
 289 *represents the cumulative stored and the value is provided in the legend. The three ranges of colours are associated with*
 290 *the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary*
 291 *provided in Table 1. The green dot represents the storage rate for the Alberta Carbon Trunk Line projects including Nutrien*
 292 *and Sturgeon which only began operation in 2020. Note, the vertical axis is only using the logarithmic scale so that all the*
 293 *projects can be seen in the graph. The bars in Figure 1 provide a better visual of the relative project size.*

294 3.3 Implications

295 Our database provides further insight into the status of CCS, and it can be used as a reference in
 296 the near term for understanding the total performance of project chains. This data provides a snapshot of
 297 a climate change mitigation technology which is emerging but nonetheless already contributing
 298 significantly to emissions mitigation today. The significant difference between reported storage data and
 299 the more frequently reported capture capacity reveals an important gap in the availability and use of data
 300 necessary for evaluating the climate change impact of CCS. While the use of capture capacity as a proxy
 301 overstates the storage rate, the growth in capture capacity and storage rates track each other. A number of
 302 studies have analysed existing growth in the context of climate change mitigation scenarios, generally
 303 identifying that CCS deployed by mid-century in these projections will be difficult to achieve, whereas current
 304 growth is significant with very large-scale mitigation achieved by the end of the century^{31,32,33,34}.

305 The need for consistent reporting on storage performance by industry projects is evident. The
 306 framework should include key details necessary for evaluating storage performance, including clarity in

307 definitions of project sizes and the identification of a common nomenclature, e.g., capture capacity,
308 identifying annual quantities of CO₂ stored for individual projects without aggregating projects, specifying
309 the quality control of measurements at the site-level to assess uncertainty and an association of the
310 capture facility with its one or multiple storage operators. Specific measures that would be useful in such a
311 reporting framework include: 1) intended capture rate capacity, 2) maximum capture rate capacity, 3)
312 annual capture of CO₂, 4) annual transport of CO₂, 5) annual storage of CO₂, 6) quality assurance measures
313 such as auditing by third parties and quantification of key uncertainties, and 7) reasons for any offline
314 periods where the CCS facility could not operate as intended. This would enable the accurate assessment
315 and monitoring of climate change mitigation benefits explicitly attributed to CCS operations^{30,31,32}.

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339 ABBREVIATIONS

340 CCS – Carbon Capture and Storage

341 CO₂ – carbon dioxide

342 EOR – Enhanced Oil Recovery

343 EPA – Environmental Protection Agency

344 GHG – Greenhouse Gas

345 GCCSI – Global Carbon Capture and Storage Institute

346 GHG – Greenhouse Gas

347 GPSP – Great Plains Synfuel Plant

348 IPCC – International Panel on Climate Change

349 Mtpa – Megaton per annum

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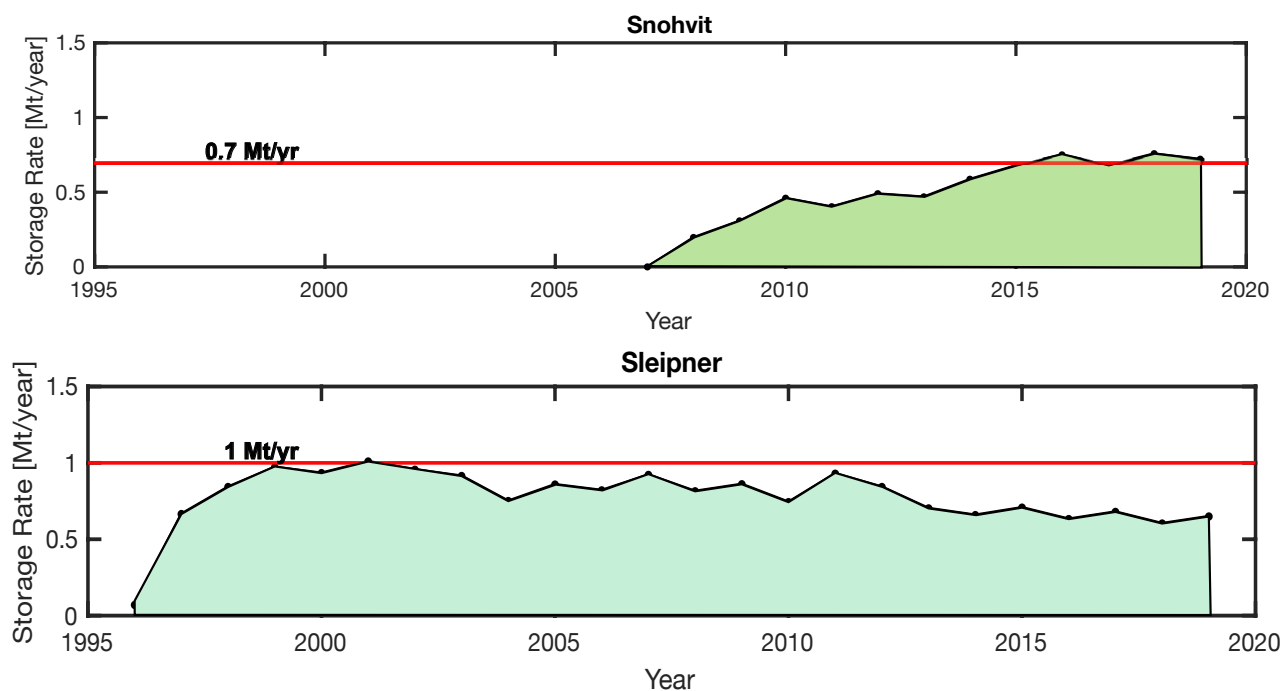
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548 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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550 The supporting information includes the compiled geological database for each individual capture facility and its associated time series of CO₂ storage operations
 551 either using the reported annual storage rate or the average storage rate for projects where only the cumulative storage is provided. We show comparisons between
 552 the storage operation with the stated capture rate for the year 2019. The aggregate total for each estimate that we evaluate: the capture rate capacity, capture rate,
 553 storage rate– hybrid, storage rate – average over project lifetime, and cumulative storage is also provided in Table 15.

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556 *Figure 1: Times series of CO₂ storage between 1996 – 2020 to show the overall trend in annual storage operations for Sleipner and Snohvit (black smooth lines joined by dots) and the*
 557 *comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under each time represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source*
 558 *category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 1 of*
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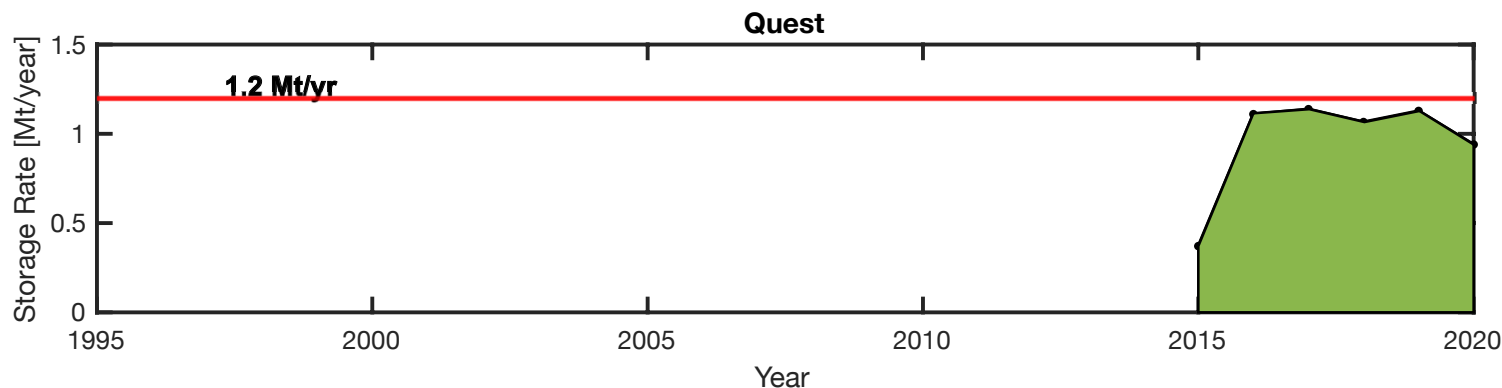
561 *Table 1: The capture rate capacity stated for 2019-2020 is sourced from the GCCSI global status of CCS 2020" report (GCCSI, 2020). The capture rate estimated here is determined based on 1)*
 562 *individual sources (indicated with an asterisk), or 2) the storage rate - hybrid, depending on the availability of data. Multiple sources and data for each project are separated by thin dashed*

563 lines. The storage rate - average is calculated based on the reported cumulative storage over the number of years specified in the Period column. We indicate the categories for each source
 564 with source categories defined in Table 1 in the main text. The storage rate– hybrid uses annual storage reported for 2019 where possible and average storage rate for projects that only report
 565 cumulative storage. The colour in the Sources column corresponds to the colour introduced in Table 1 in the main text and indicates the maximum category of sources collected for each
 566 capture project. Where there are multiple sources available for each project, data that are highlighted in red (associated with a lower level of assurance) are used to

567 calculate uncertainty but are not included in the final aggregate estimate used for comparison or in Figure 1.

Country	Storage type	CO ₂ Capture Facility	Capture rate 2019-2020 [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Capture Rate (* when reported, else from storage rates) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Associated CO ₂ storage facility/operator	Storage Rate - hybrid (* when annual storage is reported, else from storage rate in 2019 - average) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Storage Rate - average over project lifetime [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Cumulative storage [Mt]	Period	Source Categorisation	Sources	Notes
Norway	Geological Storage	Sleipner	1	0.7*	Equinor	0.65*	0.77	18.5	1996-2019	1	50	Equinor annual report provided the aggregate annual data for Sleipner and Snohvit without differentiation
		Snohvit	0.7	0.8*		0.7*	0.5	6.5	2007-2019	1	50	
		Sleipner + Snohvit	1.7	1.5		1.37*	1.1	26.2	1996-2020	2	51	

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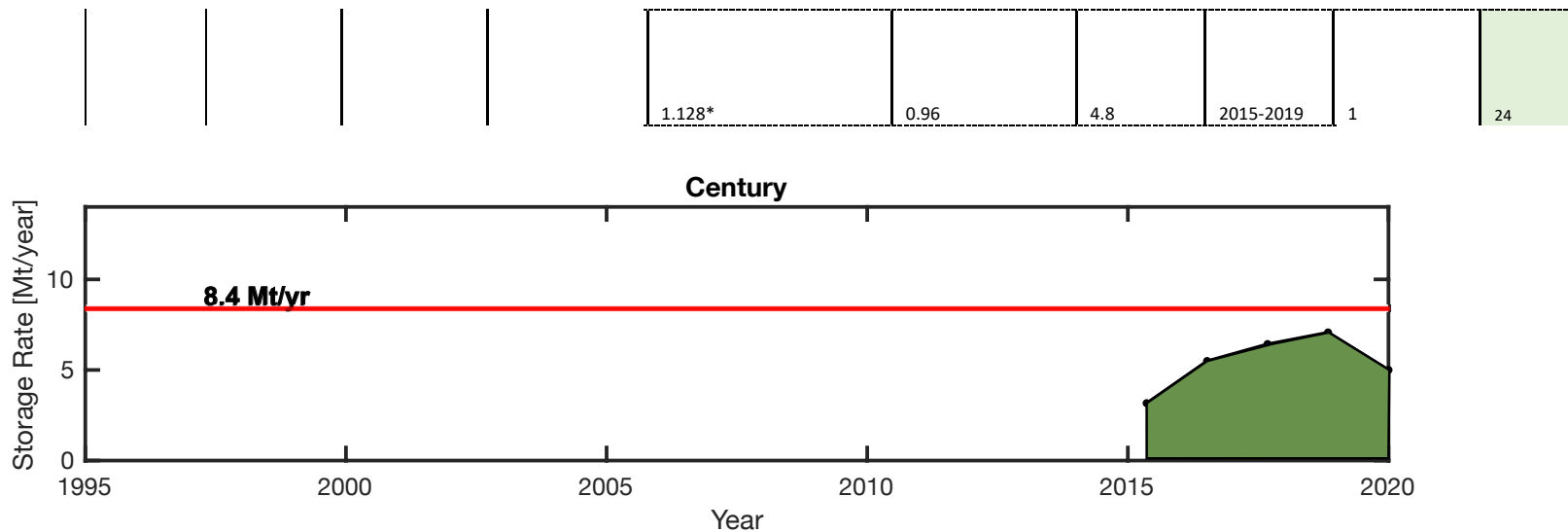
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Country	Storage type	CO ₂ Capture Facility	Capture rate Capacity 2019-2020 [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Capture Rate (* when reported, else from storage rates) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Associated CO ₂ storage facility/operator	Storage Rate - hybrid (* when annual storage is reported, else from storage rate in 2019 - average) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Storage Rate - average over project lifetime [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Cumulative storage [Mt]	Period	Source Categorisation	Sources
Canada	geological storage	Quest	1.2	1.182*	Quest Shell	1.13	0.9	5.39	2016-2020	2	45
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Figure 3: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2016 – 2020 to show the overall trend in annual storage operations for Quest (black smooth lines joined by dots) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 3 of Supporting Information.

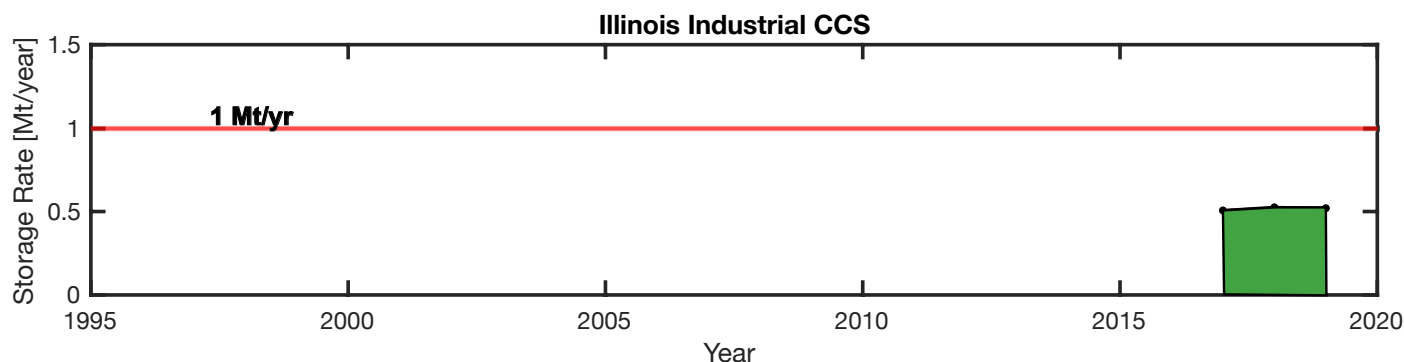
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US	EOR	Century	5	8.4*	Occidental Petroleum	7.1*	8.55	25.66	2017-2019	2	16	Occidental Petroleum Sustainability report

					Denver Unit	3.39*	3.232	16.16	2016-2020	1	17	provides the aggregate data for CO ₂ storage while US EPA provides the differentiated storage data at the two unit sites that are operated by Occidental Petroleum
					Hobbs Unit	3.66*	2.695	10.78	2017-2020	1	18	

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Figure 4: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2017 – 2019 to show the overall trend in annual storage operations for Illinois Industrial CCS (black smooth lines joined by dots) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 4 of Supporting Information.

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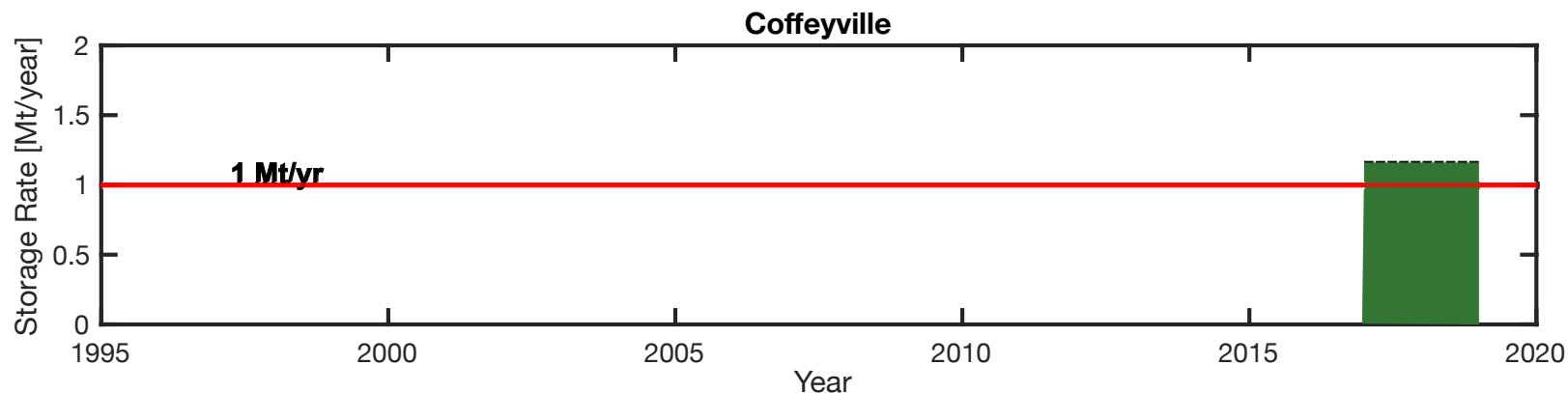
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Country	CO ₂ Capture Facility	Capture rate Capacity 2019-2020 [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Capture Rate (* when reported, else from storage	Associated CO ₂ storage facility/operator	Storage Rate - hybrid (* when annual storage is reported, else from storage rate in 2019 - average) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Storage Rate - average over project lifetime [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Cumulative storage [Mt]	Period	Source Categorisation	Sources
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US	Dedicated geological storage	Illinois Industria I CCS	1	0.52	Illinois ADM	0.52*	0.52	1.55	2017-2019	1	52
						0.522*	0.52	1.042	2019-2020	2	53

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611 *Figure 5: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2017 – 2019 to show the overall trend in annual storage operations for Coffeyville (black smooth lines joined by dots) and the comparison with*
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US	EOR	Coffeyville	1	1.16	North Burbank Unit	1.16	1.16	3.49	2017-2019	1	55

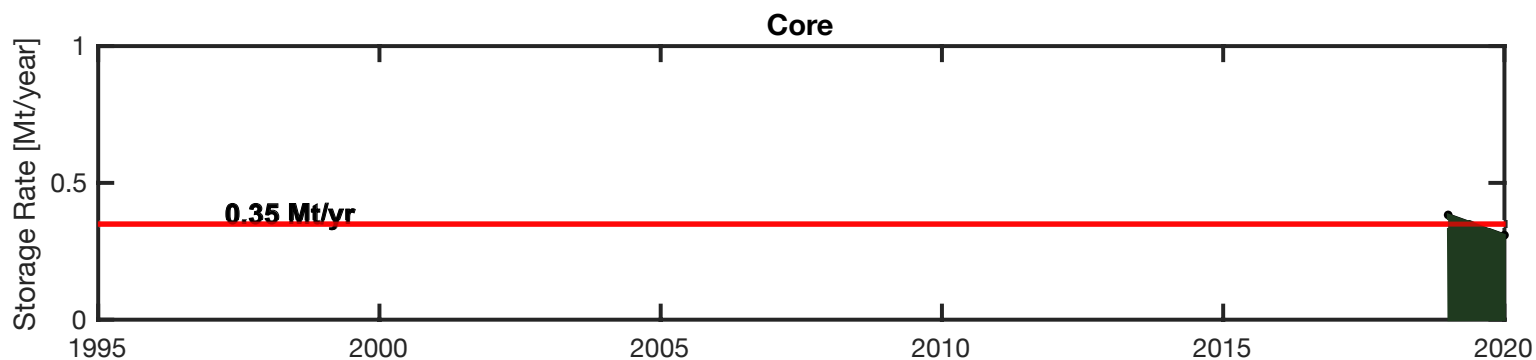
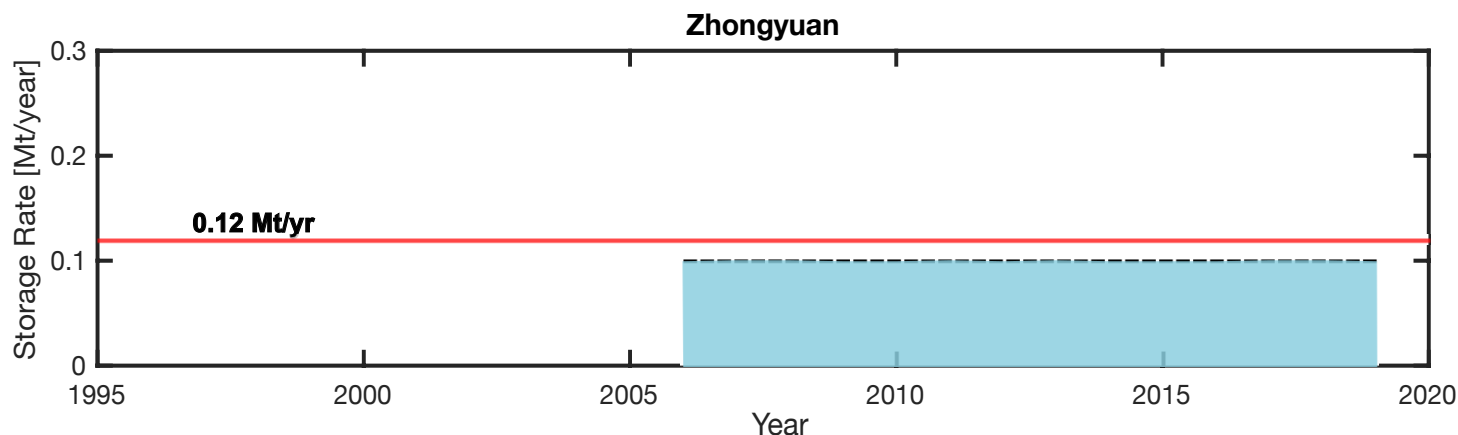


Figure 6: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2019 - 2020 to show the overall trend in annual storage operations for Core Energy (black smooth lines joined by dots) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 6 of Supporting Information.

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US	EOR	Core Energy	0.35	0.35	Core Energy	0.31*	0.35	0.69	2019-2020	1	61

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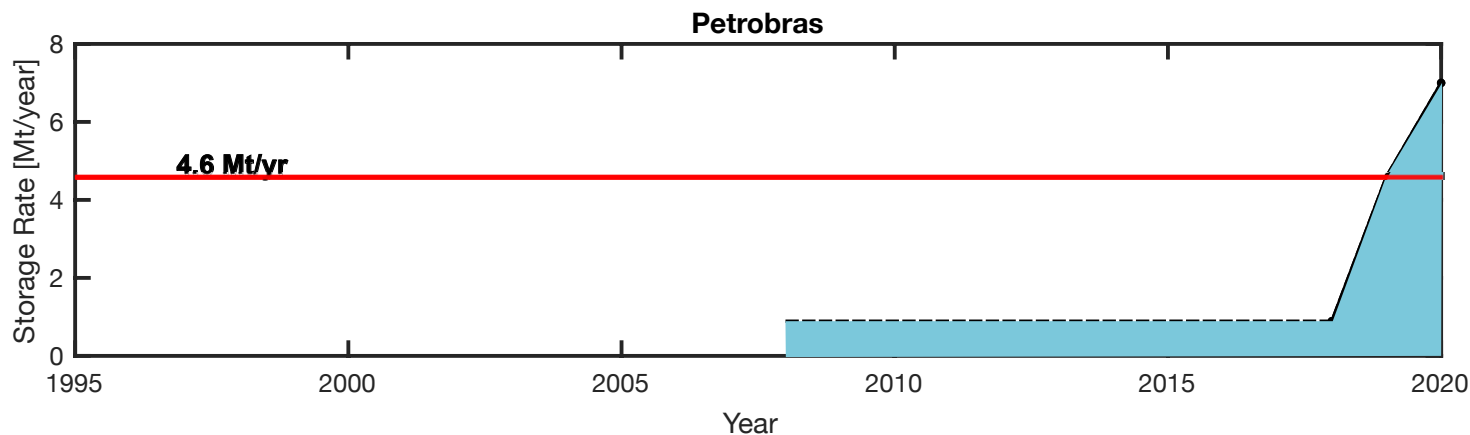
Figure 7: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2006-2019 to show the average storage operations for Zhongyuan (black dash line) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 7 of Supporting Information.

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China	EOR	Sinopec Zhongyuan	0.12	0.35	Zhongyuan Sinopec	0.1	0.1	2.4	2006-2019	2	15
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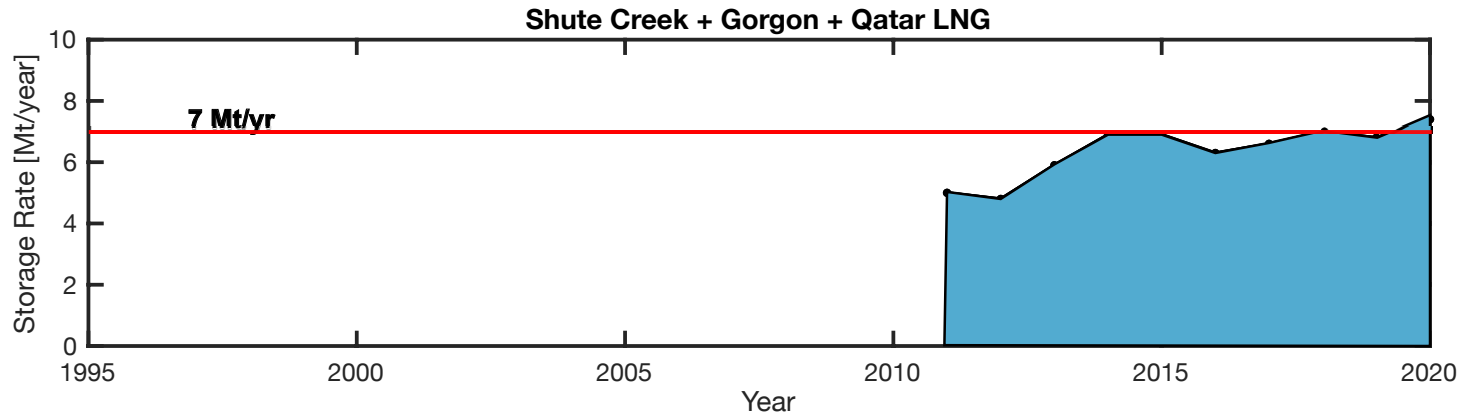
Figure 8: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2008-2018 to show the average storage operation (black dash line) and annual storage rate from 2018 -2020 (black smooth line joined by dots) for Petrobras. The comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 8 of Supporting Information.

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Brazil	EOR	Petrobras	4.6	4.6	Santos Basin Petrobras	4.6*	1.65	21.4	2008-2020	3	35
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 660 Figure 9: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2011- 2020 to show the overall trend in annual storage operations for Shute Creek, Gorgon, and Qatar LNG (black smooth lines joined by dots)
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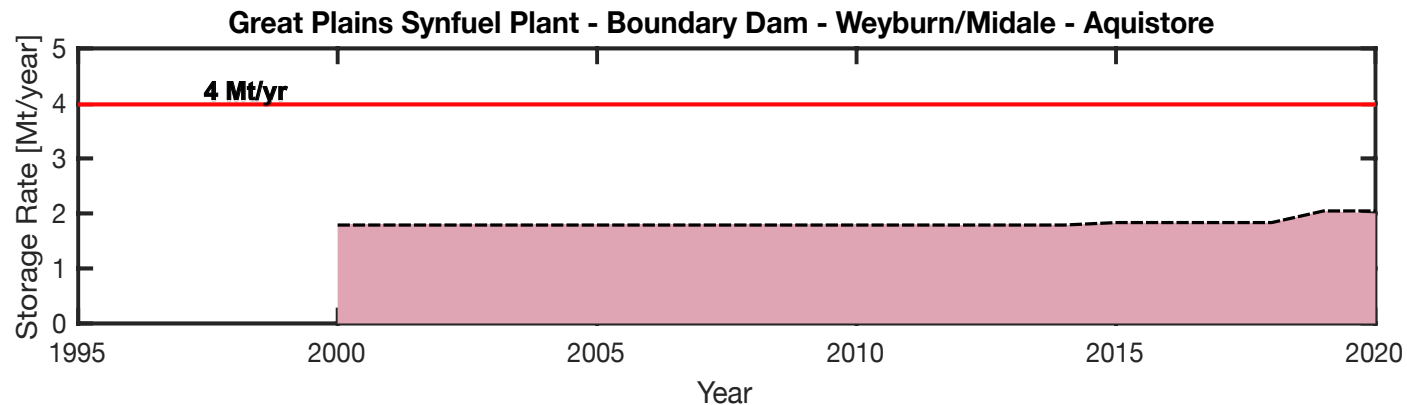
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Qatar	Geological storage	Qatar LNG	2.1	1 (C) + 6.8 (EM)	Chevron (C) & Exxon mobile (EM)	1* (C) + 6.8* (EM)	2 (C) + 6.4 (EM)	4 (C) + 63.6 (EM)	2019-2020 (C) 2011-2020 (EM)	2	56 (EM)	Chevron only operates for the Gorgon project in Australia while Exxon mobile are involved in all three CCS projects including Shute Creek, Qatar LNG and Gorgon. However, the
Australia	Geological storage	Shute Creek	7							2	57 (C)	
US	EOR	Gorgon	4							3	58 (C)	

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Exxon Mobile sustainability report did not provide differentiated annual storage data associated with each individual project only the aggregate annual storage data in this case.

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Figure 10: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2000-2020 to show the average storage operations for Aquistore/Weyburn-Midale that are associated with Great Plains Synfuel Plant/Boundary Dam capture facilities (black dash line) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 10 of Supporting Information.

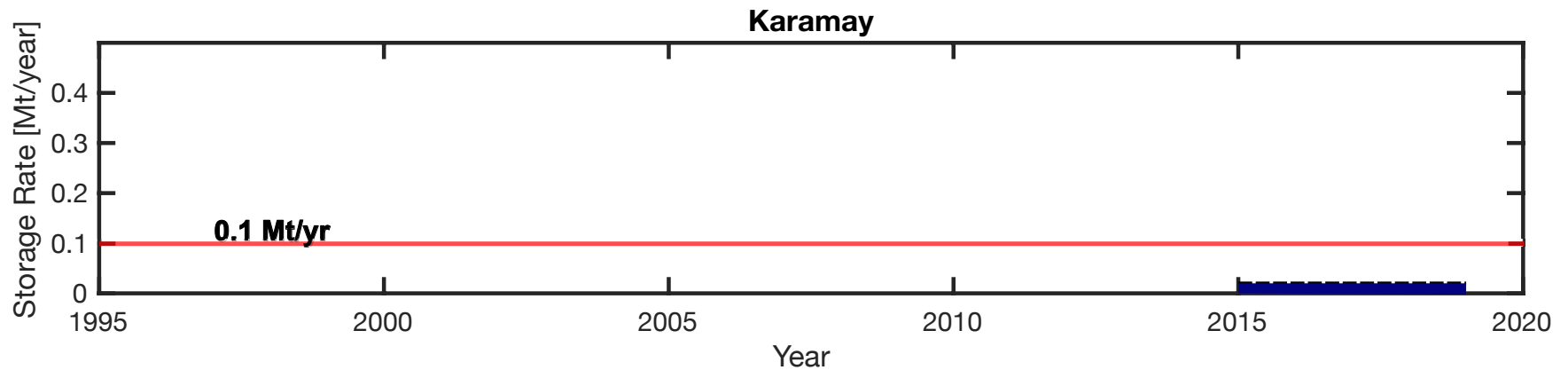
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Canada	EOR	Boundary Dam								2	39 (Aquistore)	In this case, there are multiple capture facilities: Boundary Dam and Great Plains Synfuel Plant (GPSP) transporting captured CO ₂ to the Weyburn-Midale storage site that is operated by Whitecap Resources. Additionally, a small proportion of captured CO ₂ from the Boundary Dam facility is transported to the demonstration project – Aquistore for storage. However, Whitecap resources did not differentiate how much CO ₂ stored was from the Boundary Dam or GPSP plant.
										3	40 (Aquistore)	
	EOR									3	41 (Whitecap)	
										3	42 (Whitecap)	
										3	43 (Whitecap)	
US/Canada		Great Plains Synfuel Plant	1 (A) + 3 (W)	0.65*(A) + 2 (W)	Project Aquistore (A) & Weyburn-Midale Whitecap Resources(W)	0.045 (A) + 2*(W)	0.045 (A) + 1.93 (W) 1.79 (W)	0.27 (A) + 5.8 (W) + 32.2 (W)	2015-2020 (A) 2018-2020 (W) 2000-2017 (W)	3	44 (Whitecap)	

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Figure 11: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2015-2019 to show the average storage operations for Karamay Dunhua (black dash line) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 11 of Supporting Information.

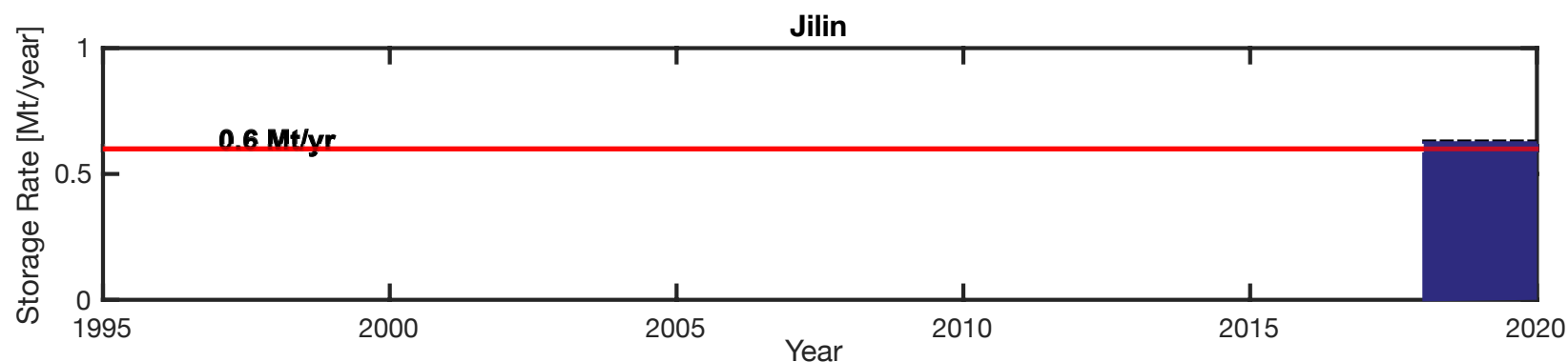
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China	EOR	Karamay Dunhua	0.1	0.1	Karamay Dunhua	0.02	0.02	0.2	2015-2019	2	15

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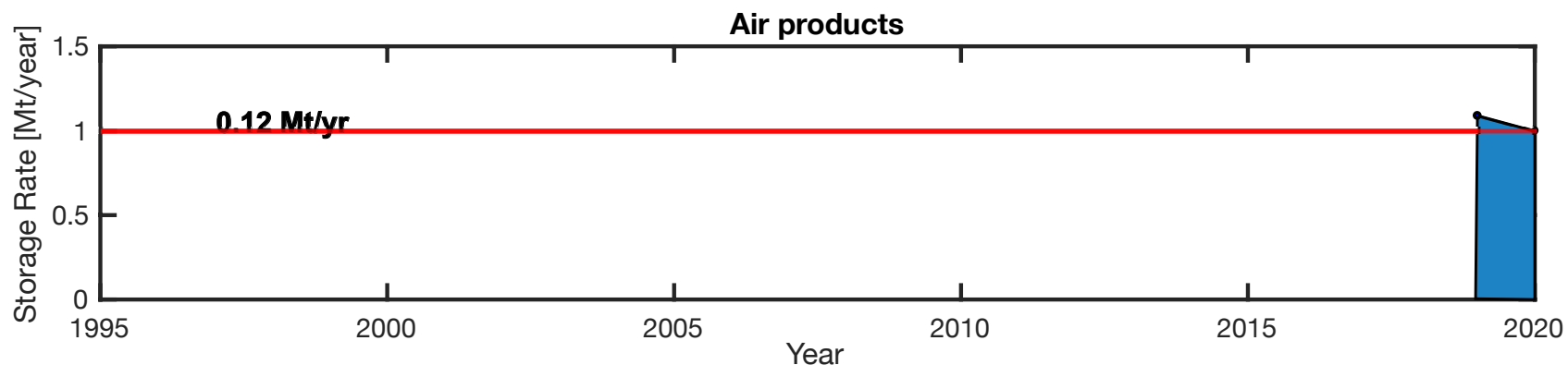
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China	EOR	CNPC Jilin	0.6	0.63	Jilin CNPC	0.63	0.3	1.9	2018-2020	2	15
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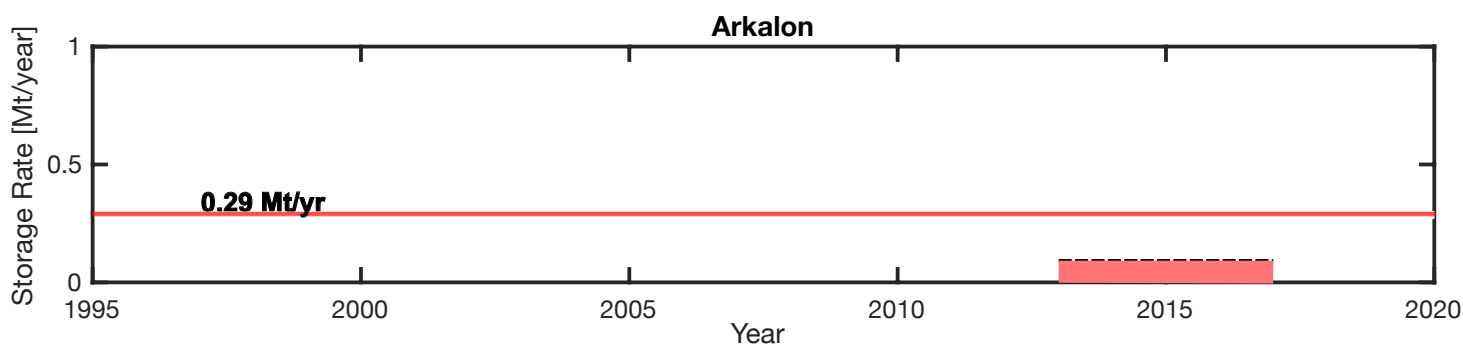
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US	EOR	Air products	1	1.09	Gulf Coast Denbury	1.09*	1.04	2.08	2019-2020	2 3	59 60

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Figure 14: Times series of CO₂ storage between 2013-2017 to show the average storage operations for Arkalon (black dash line) and the comparison with stated capture rate capacities (red line) is for 2019. The area under the time series represents the cumulative storage. The colours are associated with the maximum source category identified for each project and the definition of each category corresponds to the summary provided in Table 1 in the main text. Summary statistics are provided in Table 14 of Supporting Information.

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Table 12: The capture rate capacity stated for 2019-2020 is sourced from the GCCSI global status of CCS 2020” report (GCCSI, 2020). The capture rate estimated here is determined based on 1) individual sources (indicated with an asterisk), or 2) the storage rate - hybrid, depending on the availability of data. Multiple sources and data for each project are separated by thin dashed lines. The storage rate– average is calculated based on the reported cumulative storage over the number of years specified in the Period column. We indicate the categories for each source with source categories defined in Table 1 in the main text. The storage rate– hybrid uses annual storage reported for 2019 where possible and average storage rate for projects that only report cumulative storage. The colour in the Sources column corresponds to the colour introduced in Table 1 in the main text and indicates the maximum category of sources collected for each capture project.

Country	Storage type	CO ₂ Capture Facility	Capture rate Capacity 2019-2020 [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Capture Rate (* when reported, else from storage rates) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Associated CO ₂ storage facility/operator	Storage Rate - hybrid (* when annual storage is reported, else from storage rate in 2019 - average) [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Storage Rate - average over project lifetime [Mt yr ⁻¹]	Cumulative storage [Mt]	Period	Source Categorisation	Sources
US	EOR	Arkalon	0.29	0.092	Farnsworth Unit	0.092	0.092	0.46	2013-2017	3	54

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Table 13: The compiled global geological CCS statistical database for 20 operational commercial-scale CCS facilities between 1996-2020 shows the aggregate 2019 estimates of capture rate capacity, the capture rate, storage rate– hybrid, storage rate– average over individual project lifetime and the cumulative storage. These estimates are compiled using data (black font) from Table 1-14 of the Supporting Information.

Aggregate capture rate Capacity 2019-2020 [Mt yr⁻¹]	Aggregate Capture Rate [Mt yr⁻¹]	Aggregate storage Rate - hybrid [Mt yr⁻¹]	Aggregate storage Rate - average over individual project lifetime [Mt yr⁻¹]	Cumulative storage [Mt]
35.76	31.30	28.90	25.09	196.68

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