


# Bio-SAF Pilot – Infrastructure for SAF Process Development

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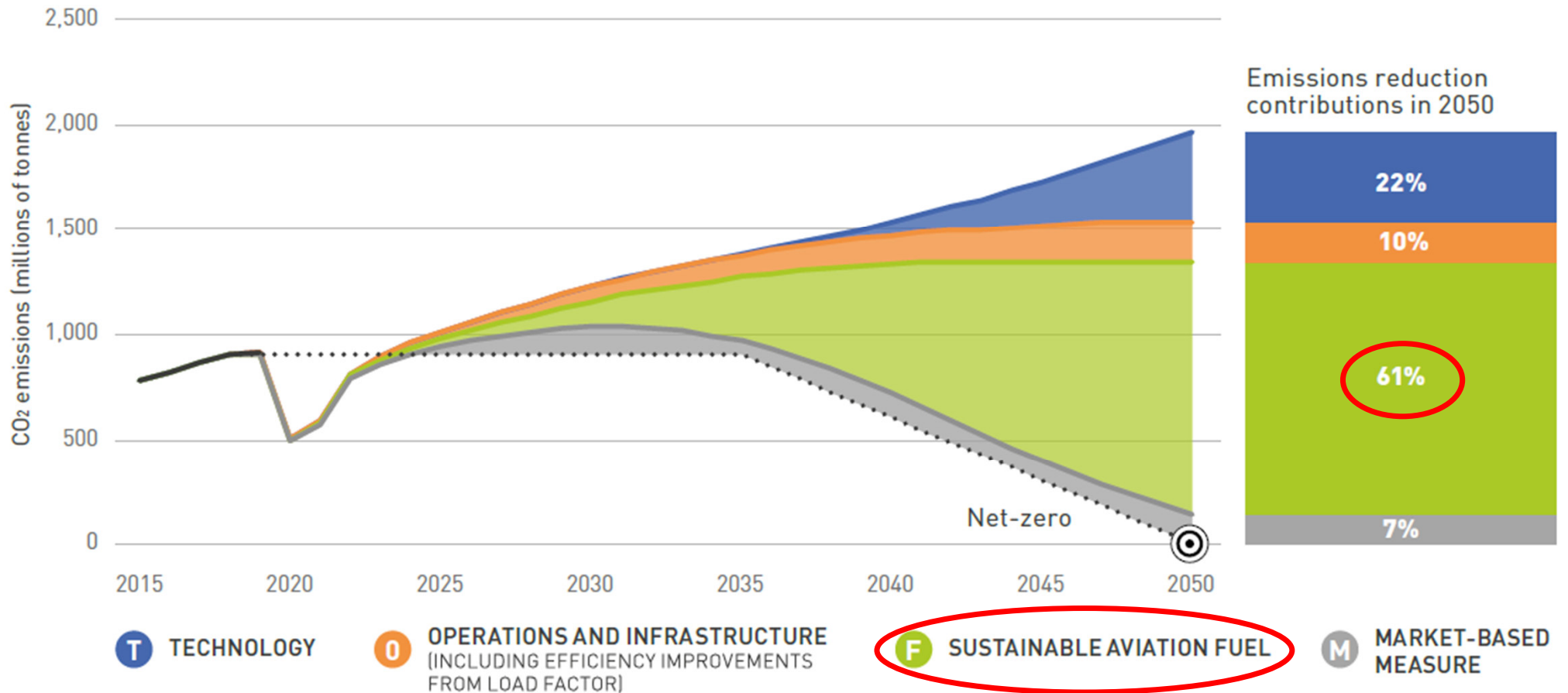
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# Civil Aviation: Net Zero Emission Target until 2050



Report Waypoint 2050 – Air Transport Action Group: [https://aviationbenefits.org/media/167418/w2050\\_v2021\\_27sept\\_summary.pdf](https://aviationbenefits.org/media/167418/w2050_v2021_27sept_summary.pdf)

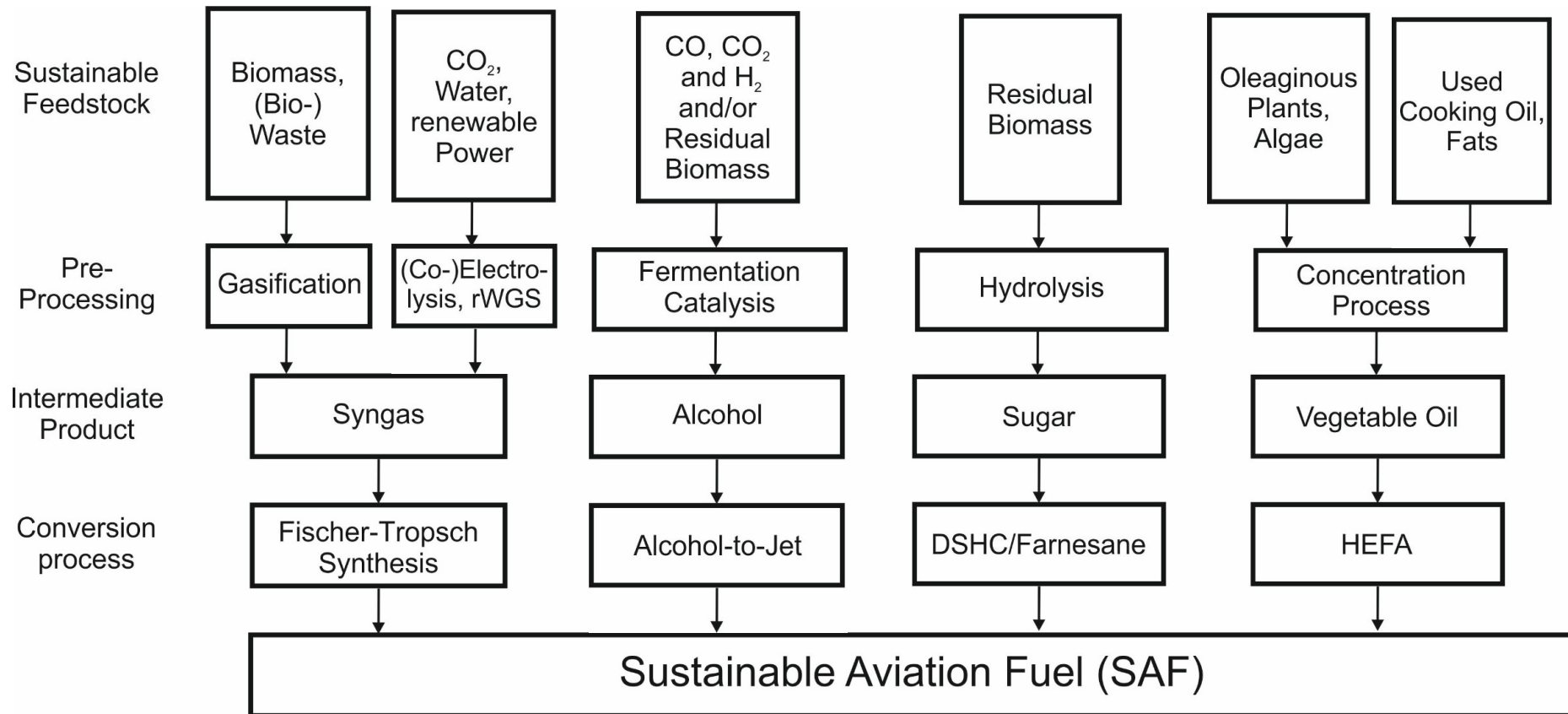


# Challenges

- Growing SAF demand cannot be satisfied with existing production processes.
- A variety of feedstock options is available, however, most feedstocks are limited.
- The production costs for SAF are still high compared with fossil kerosine.

**Consequently, the development of innovative and efficient SAF production process chains is key for satisfying the future SAF demand!**

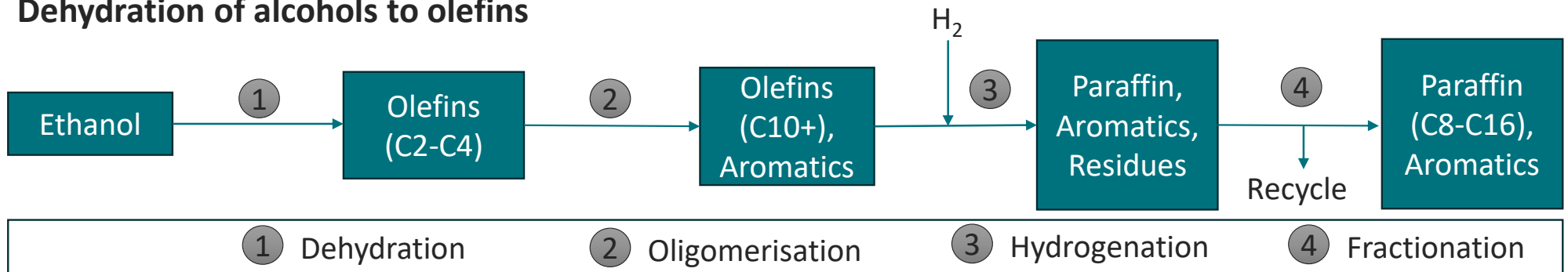
# SAF Production Options



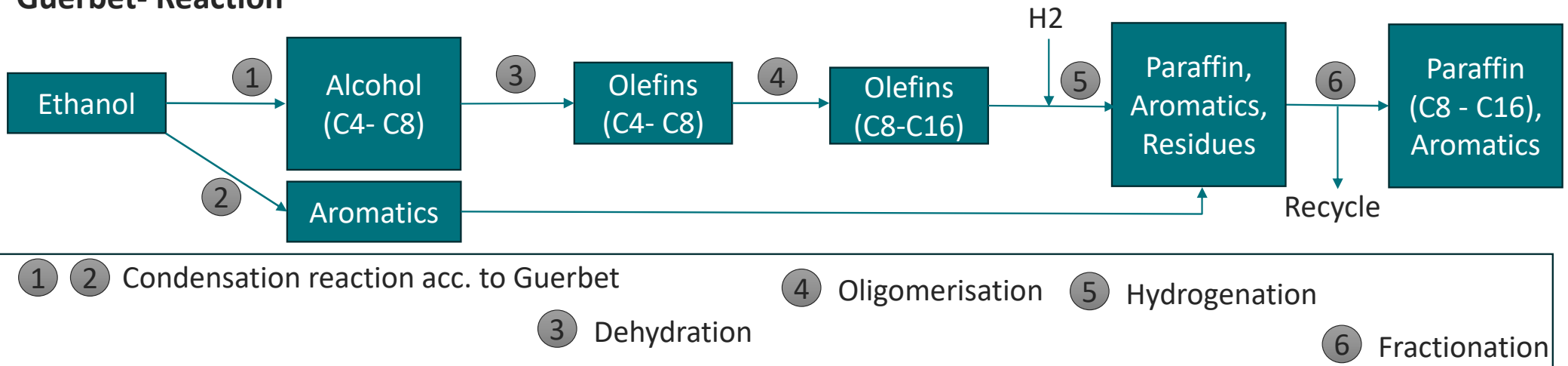
# Alcohol-to-Jet Process Chains



## Dehydration of alcohols to olefins



## Guerbet- Reaction



# SAF Multi-Purpose Plant @ Montanuniversität



## Key Facts

- ➔ Fixed-bed reactors in series
- ➔ Heated/cooled reactors
- ➔ Modular design allows investigation of entire process routes with several reactions in series
- ➔ Product separation possible
- ➔ Product analysis via online and offline gas-chromatography

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# Applied Research Methods



Catalyst Testing



Process Development and Optimization



Innovative,  
efficient and  
advanced  
processes for  
SAF production

Machine Learning  
and Digital Twins



Process Simulation  
and Reactor Modelling





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