

Increasing of the Energy Efficiency of Power Plants by Optimization of the Heat Transfer in the Boiler



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STRUCTURE

- Problem and objective
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- Research results from MSWI power plants
- Practical implementation
 - classification of deposits
 - valuation of different boiler systems
 - influence of reconstruction measures and waste input
- Comparison of deposits of different power plants
- Research results from biomass power plants
- Summary

PROBLEM AND OBJECTIVE

problem:

- increased formation of deposits on heat exchangers
- formation of large deposits which are difficult to remove
- reduced heat transfer from the flue gas to the heat exchangers



objective:

- reduction of the velocity of the formation process
- formation of uncritical deposits
- longer cleaning intervals
- improvement of the heat transfer to the heat exchangers
- increase of energy efficiency



PROBLEM AND OBJECTIVE: procedure

investigation of the fouling behaviour of 3 different boilers of the MSWI power plant Mannheim: different boilers show different process technologies, flue gas temperatures and fouling rates

boiler 2



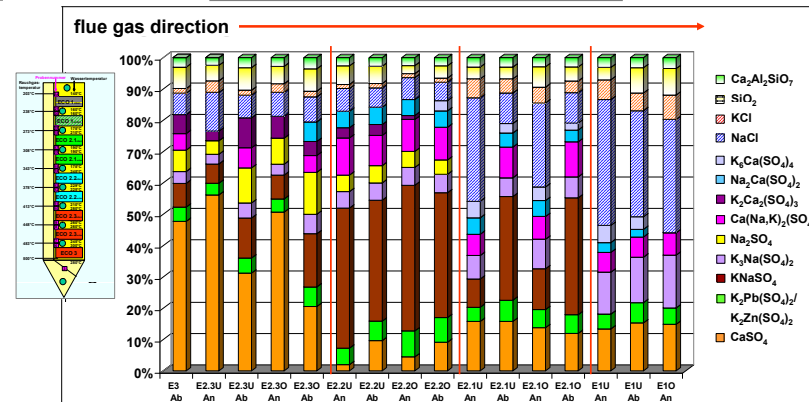
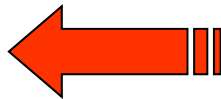
boiler 4



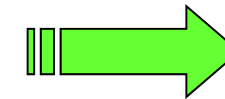
boiler 5



high flue gas temperatures
high formation of deposits



low flue gas temperatures
low formation of deposits



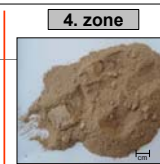
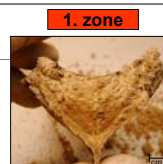
temperatures:

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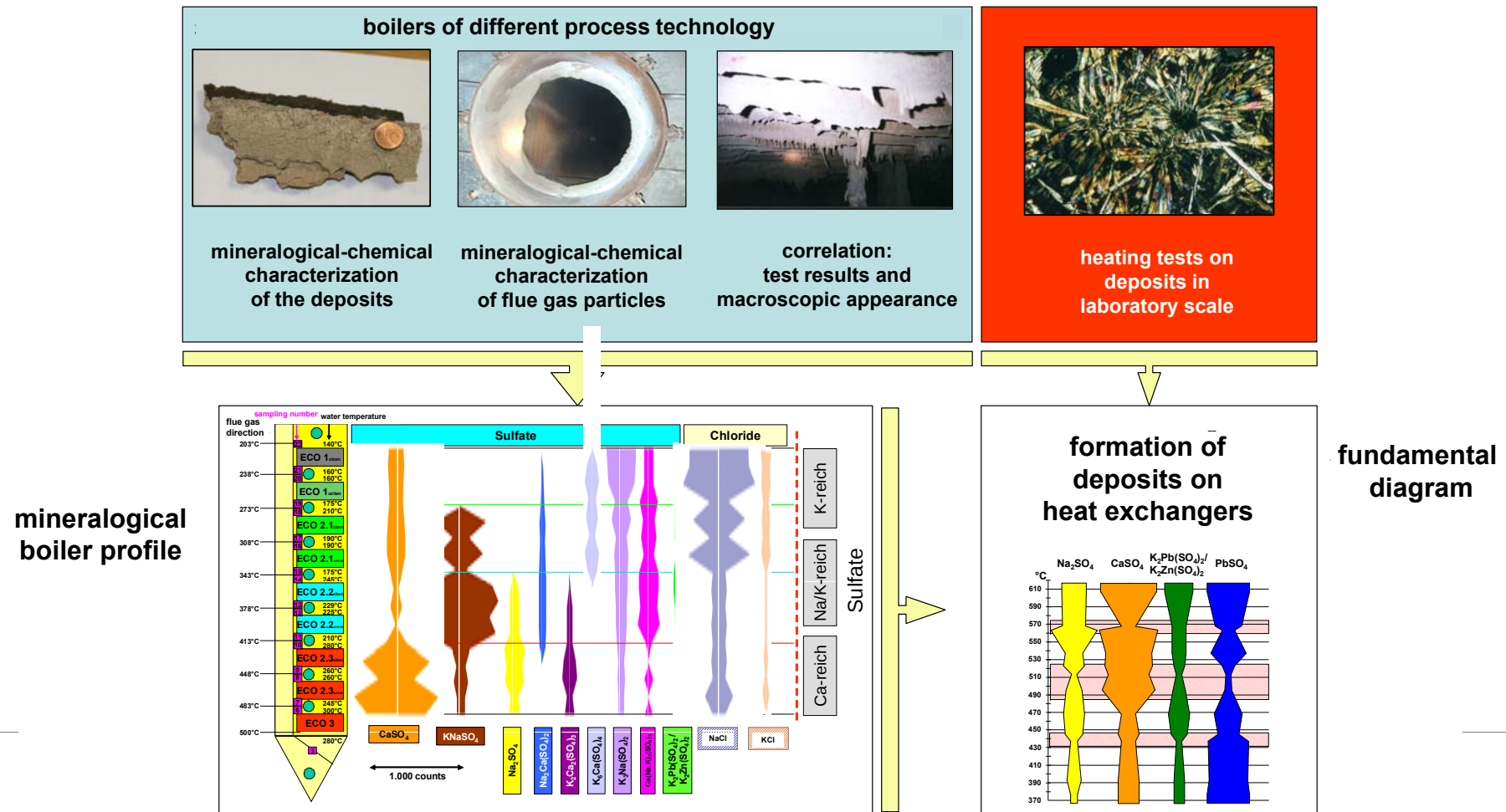
413 – 343°C

343 – 273°C

273 – 206°C



PROBLEM AND OBJECTIVE: extent of the investigations



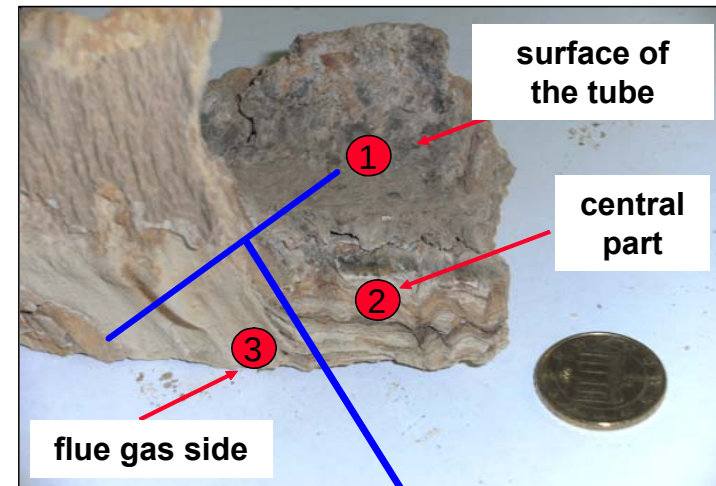
PRINCIPLES: appearance of deposits in power plants



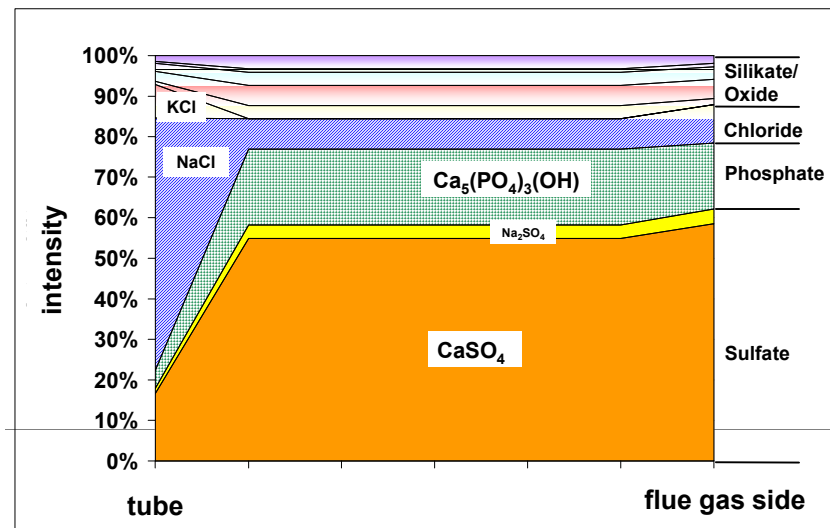
PRINCIPLES: preparation of the deposits



division of
the sample in
different layers



different
informations about
the
mineralogical and
chemical
composition
of the deposit
and the
formation process

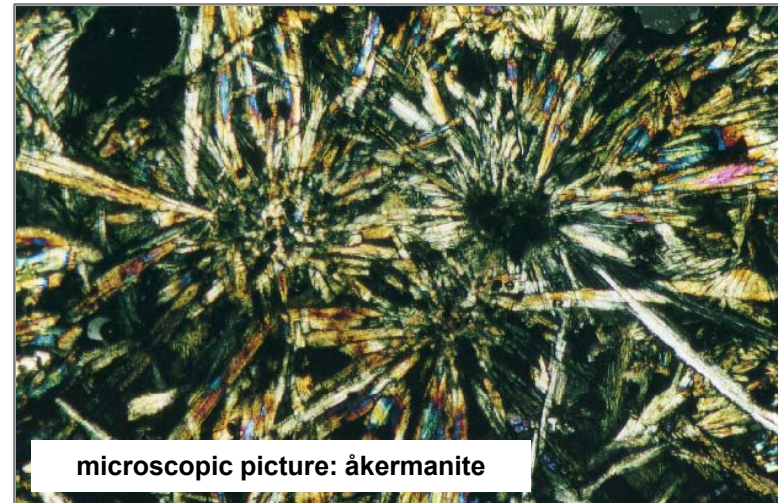
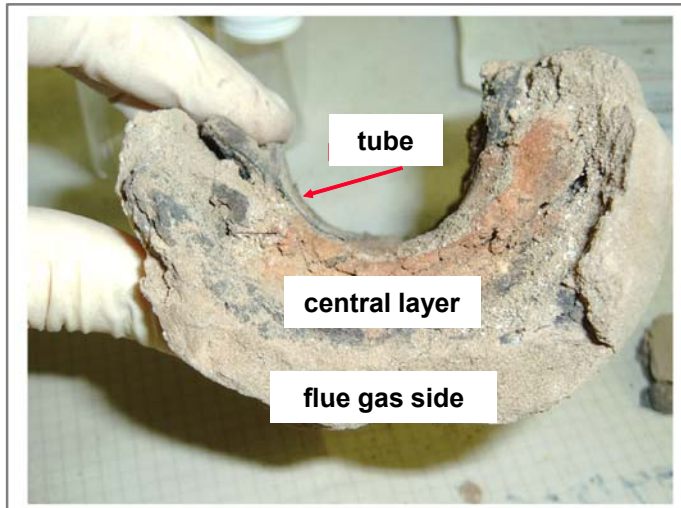


mineralogical
cross section



sample

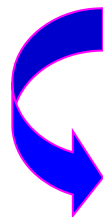
PRINCIPLES: mineralogical investigations



mineral phases

chemical properties

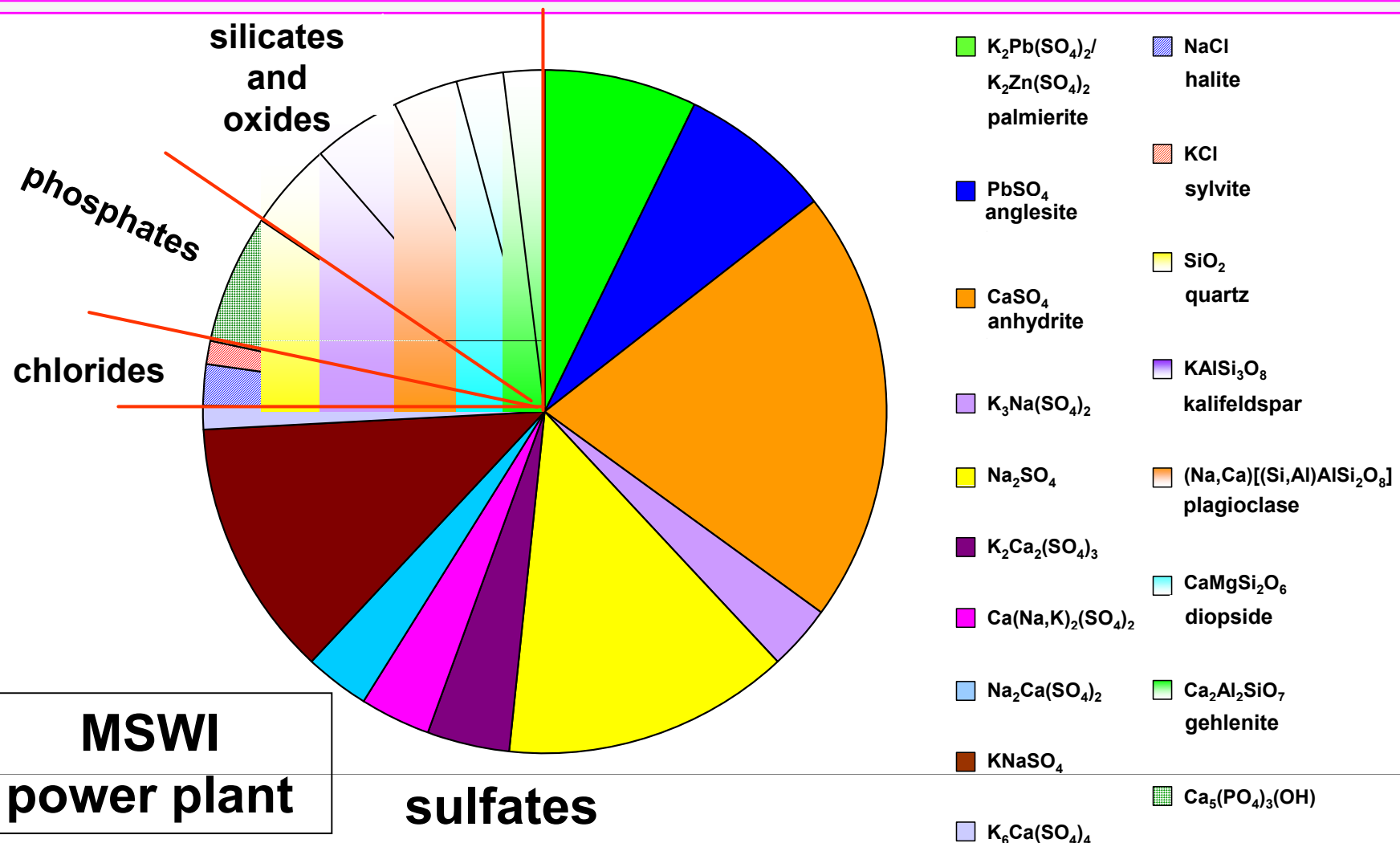
physical properties



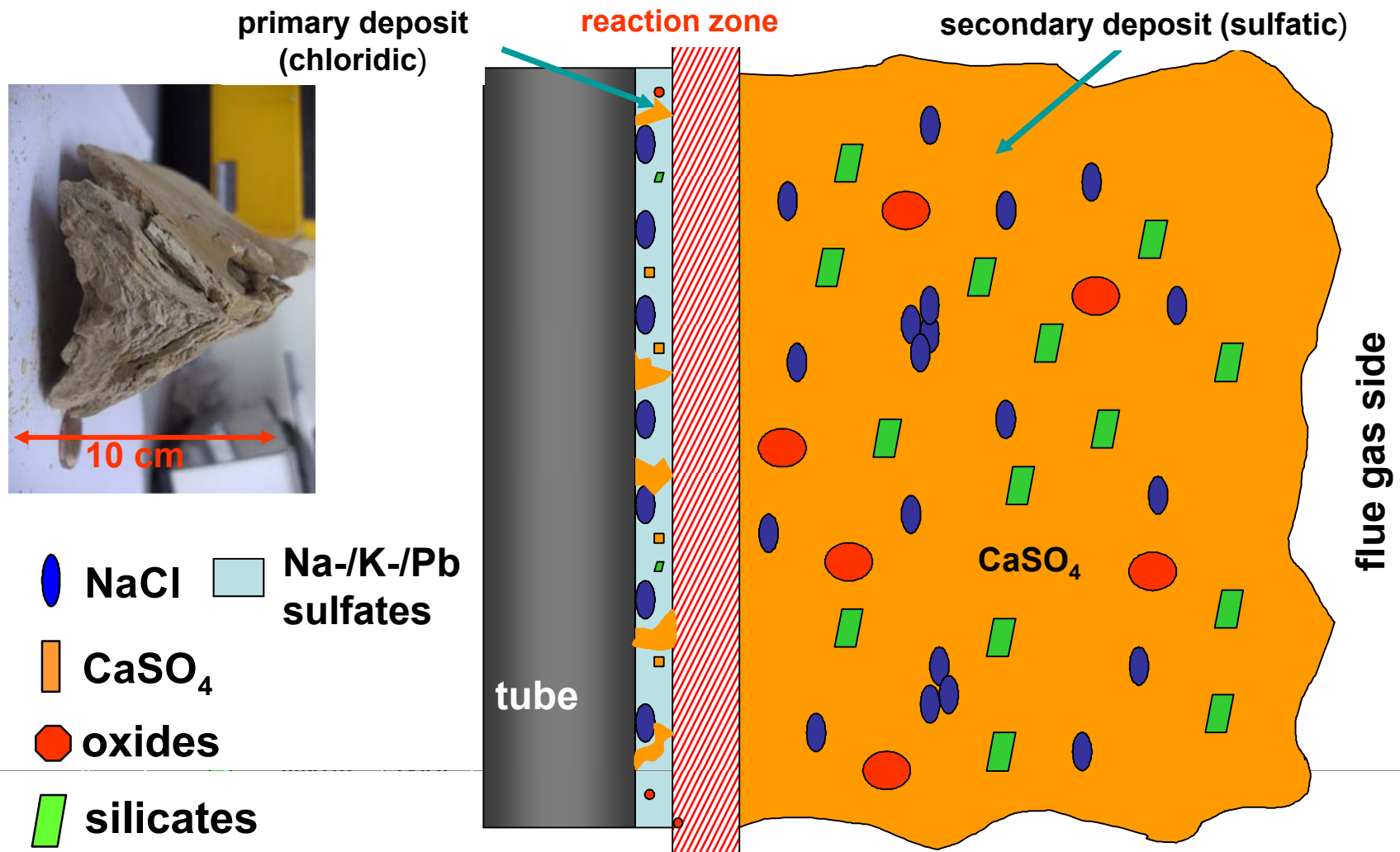
- formation conditions
- hardness
- melting points
- corrosion effects



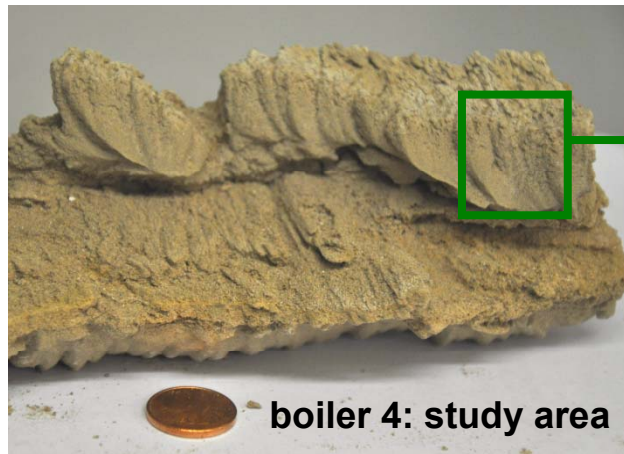
PRINCIPLES: mineral phases of the deposits



PRINCIPLES: structural and mineralogical composition

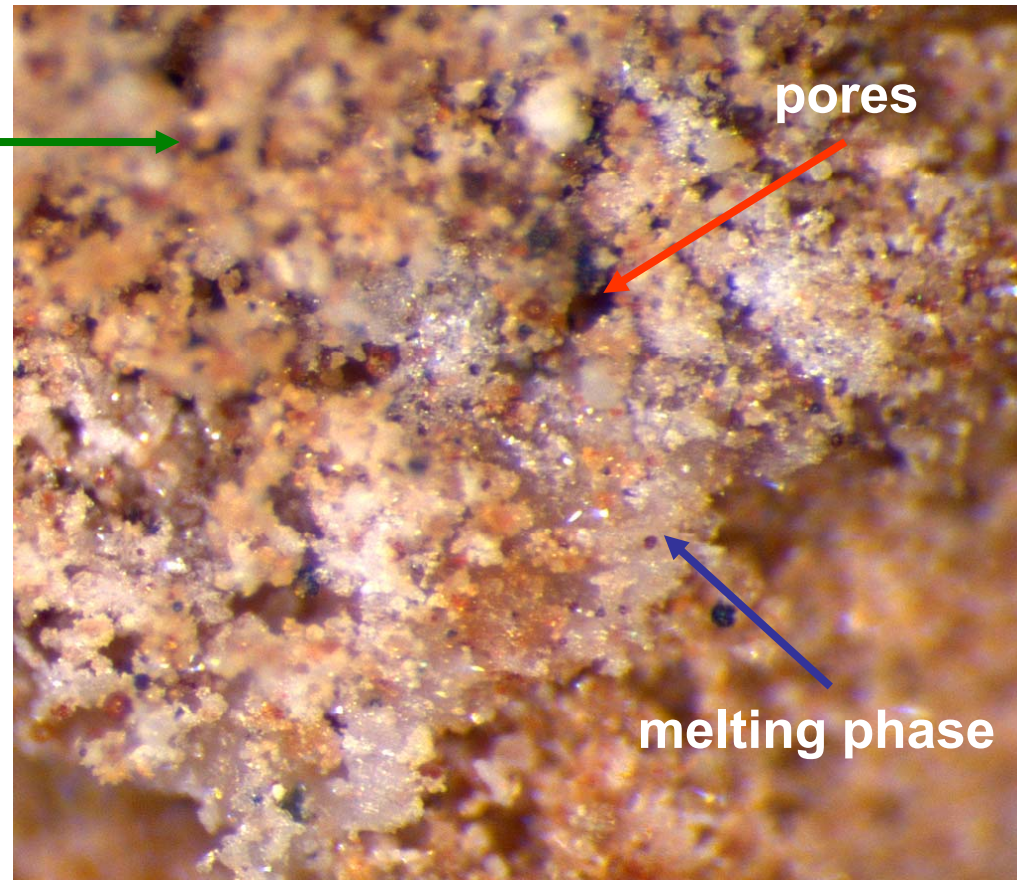


PRINCIPLES: structural and mineralogical composition



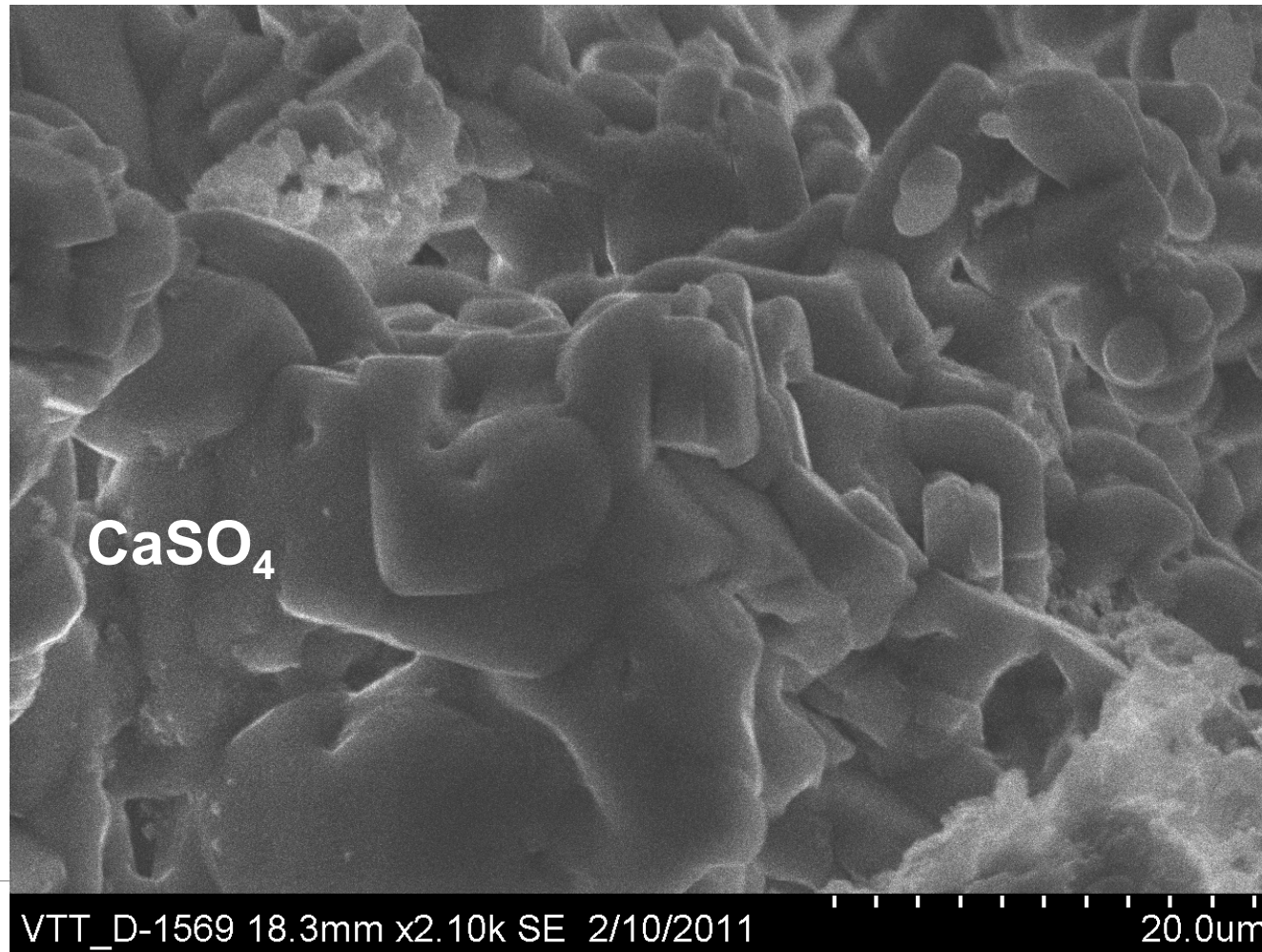
Deposits:

- mineral phases (crystals)
- melting phase
- pores

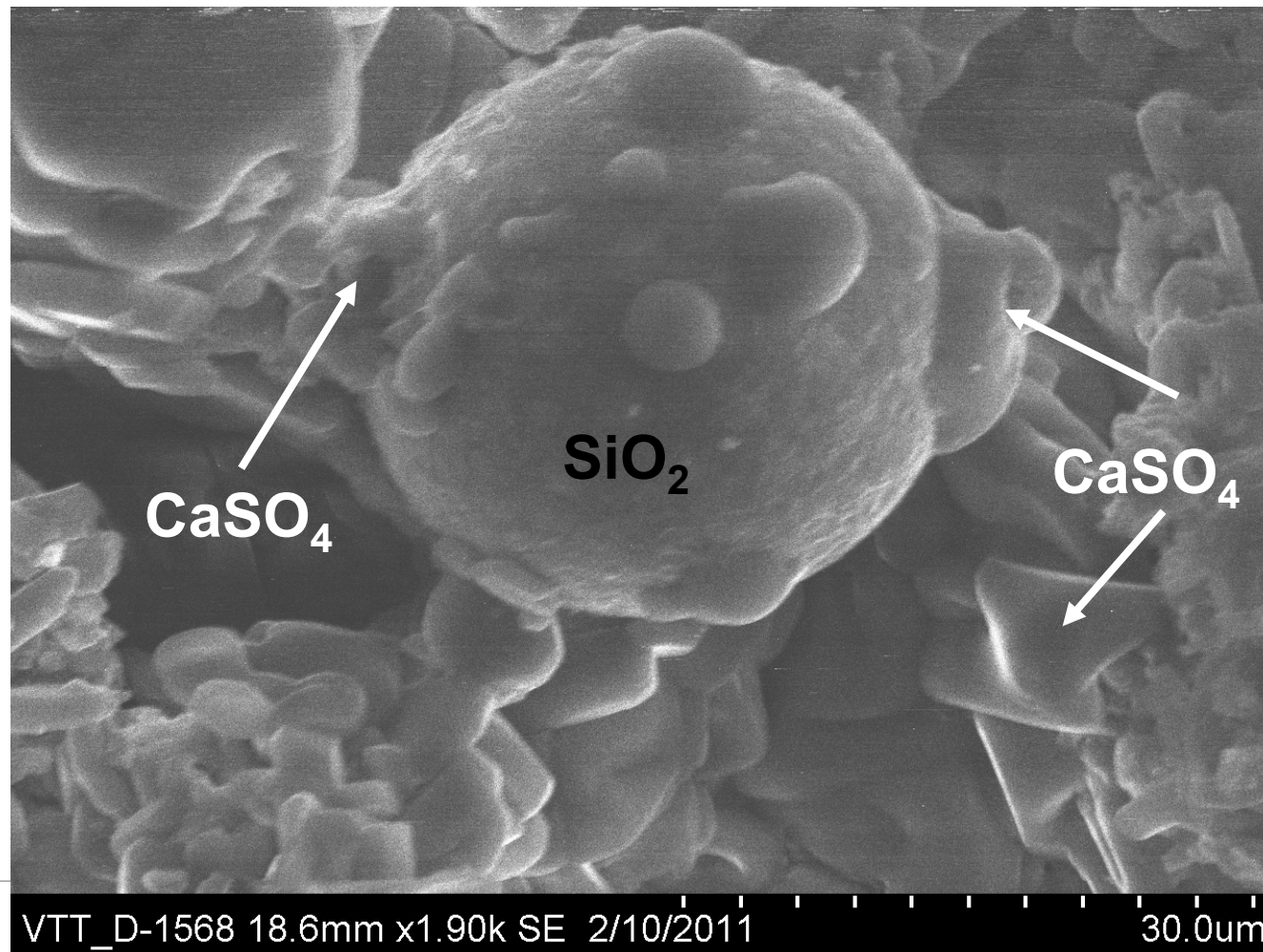


microscopic picture of a deposit

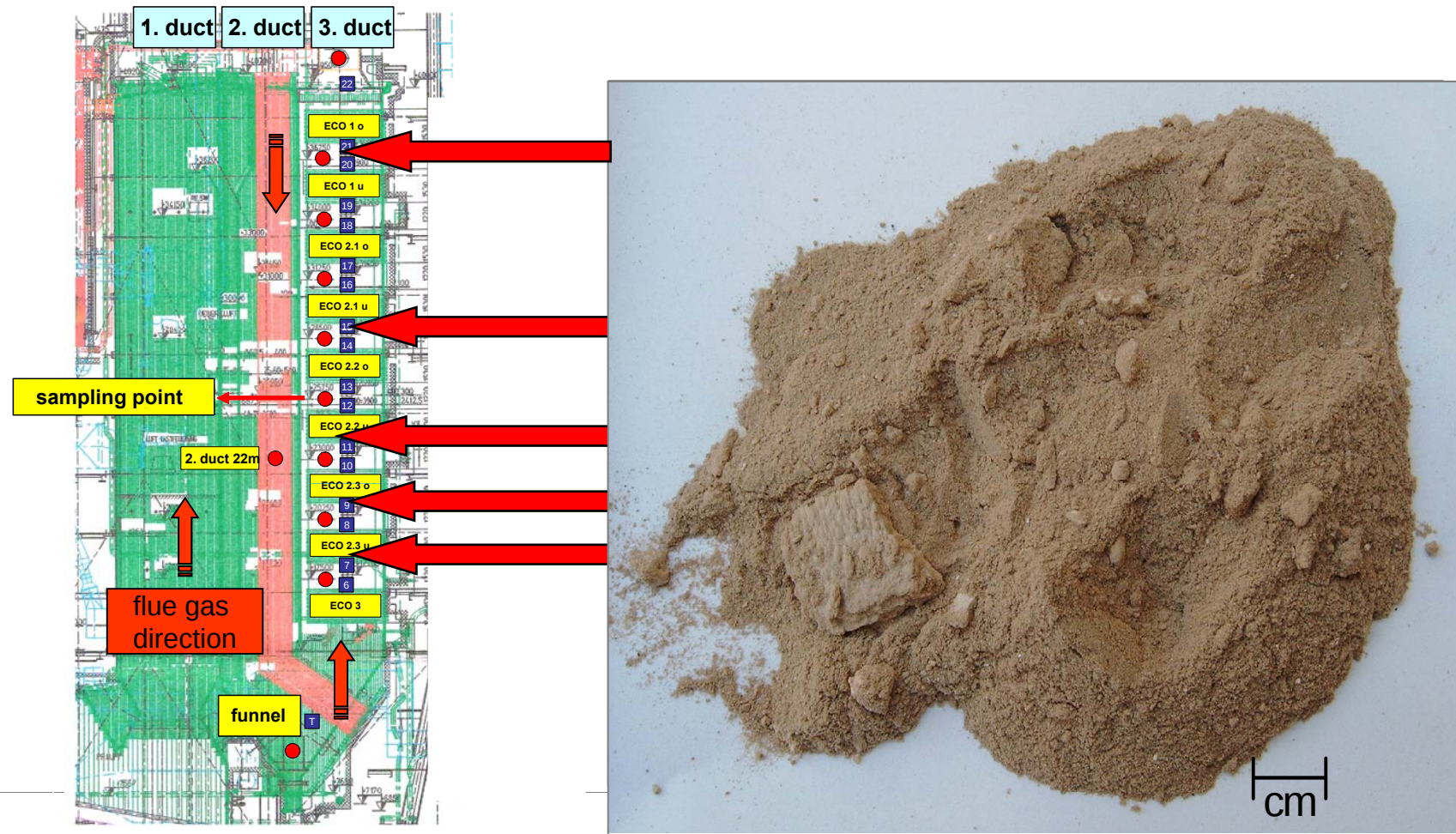
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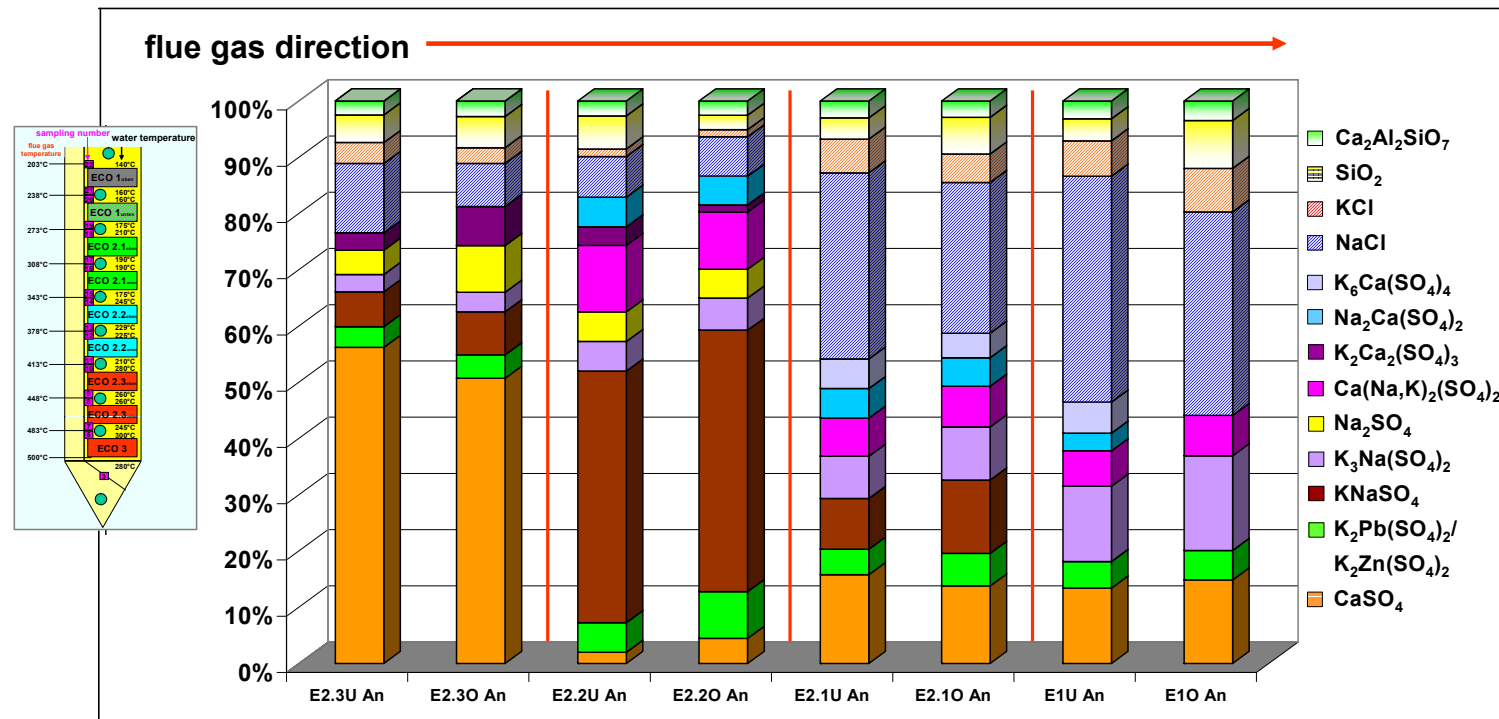
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RESULTS: MSWI power plant: MVV, boiler 4



RESULTS: mineralogical composition: MVV, boiler 4



temperatures:

500 – 413°C

413 – 343°C

343 – 273°C

273 – 206°C

1. zone



very hard / hard

2. zone



breakable

3. zone



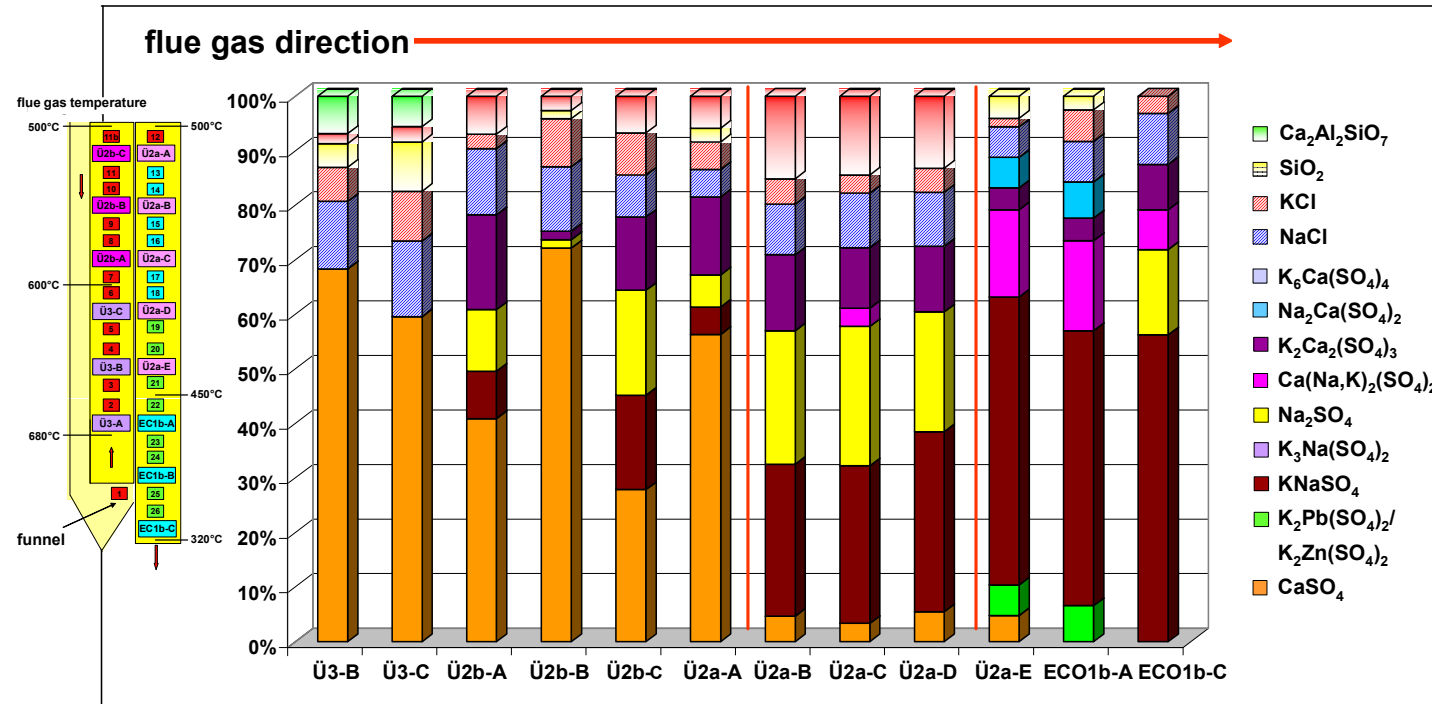
easily
breakable

4. zone



dusty

RESULTS: mineralogical composition: MVV, boiler 2



temperatures:

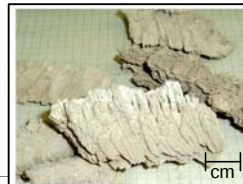
680 – 500°C

500 – 470°C

470 – 320°C



very hard / hard

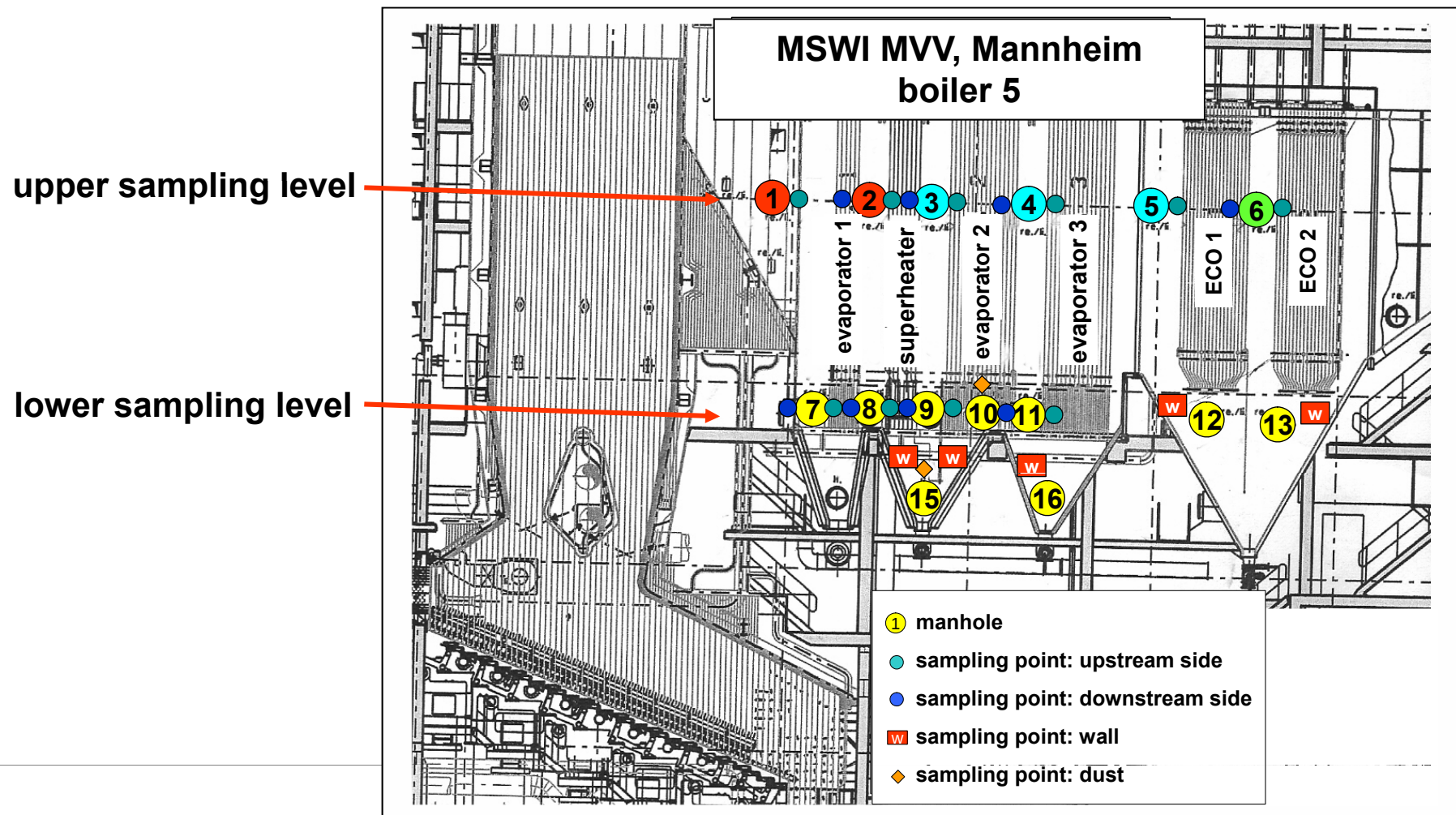


breakable

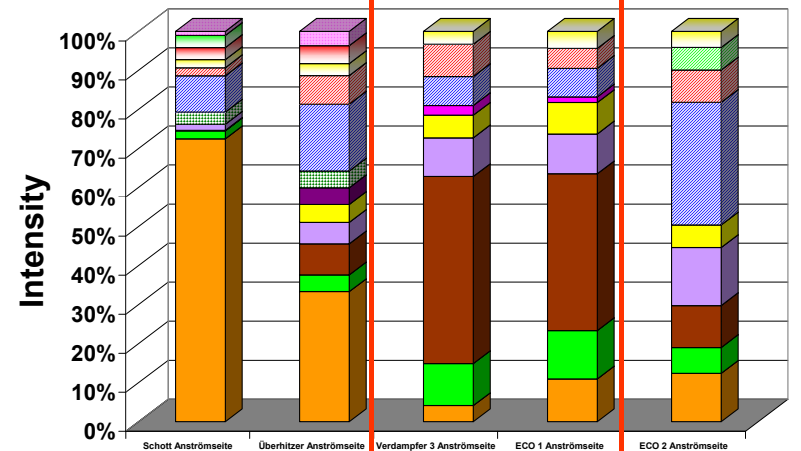


easily breakable

RESULTS: MSWI power plant: MVV, boiler 5



RESULTS: mineralogical composition: MVV, boiler 5



1. zone

2. zone

3. zone

temperatures:

700 – 595°C

595 – 355°C

355 – 260°C



breakable



easily breakable

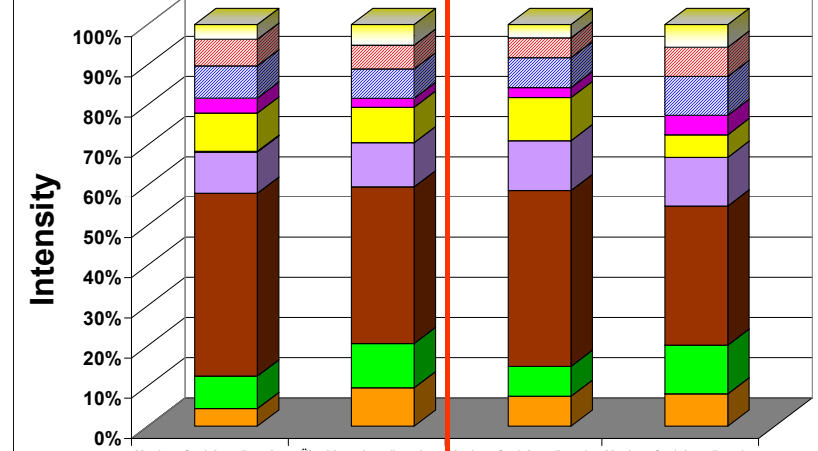


dusty

upper sampling level

„physical“ + „mineralogical“
forming of deposits

➡ harder deposits at the inlet area



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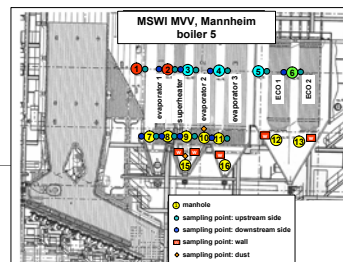


easily breakable

lower sampling level

„mineralogical“
forming of deposits

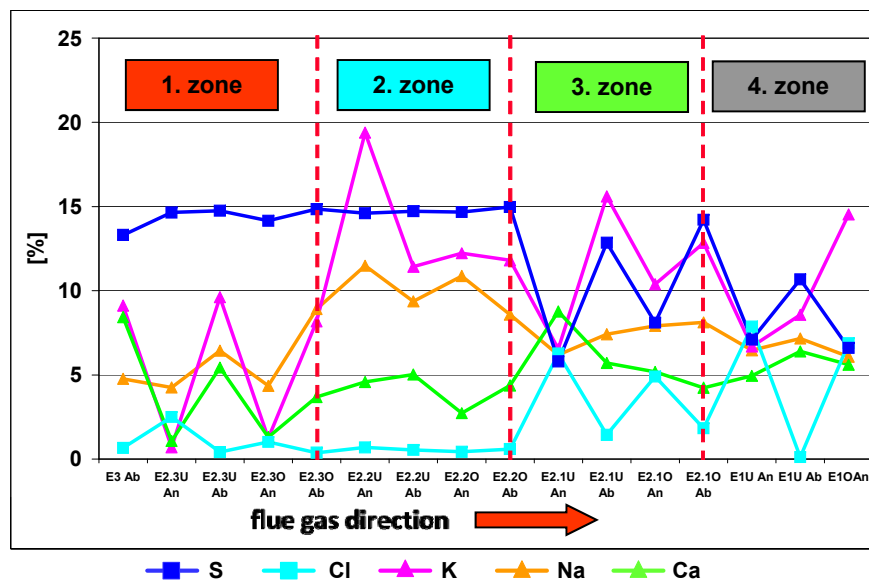
➡ weak deposits at the inlet area



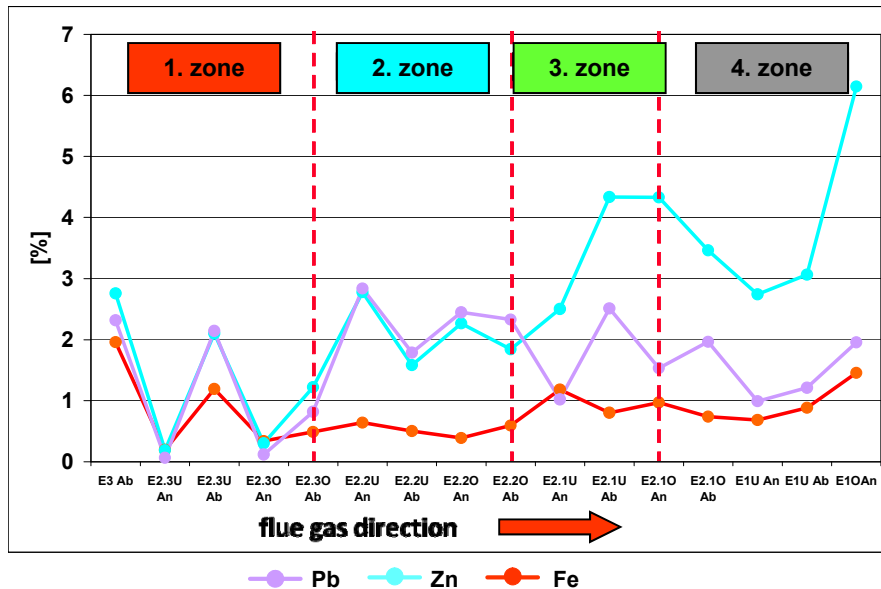
RESULTS: chemical test results: MVV, boiler 4

chemical investigations

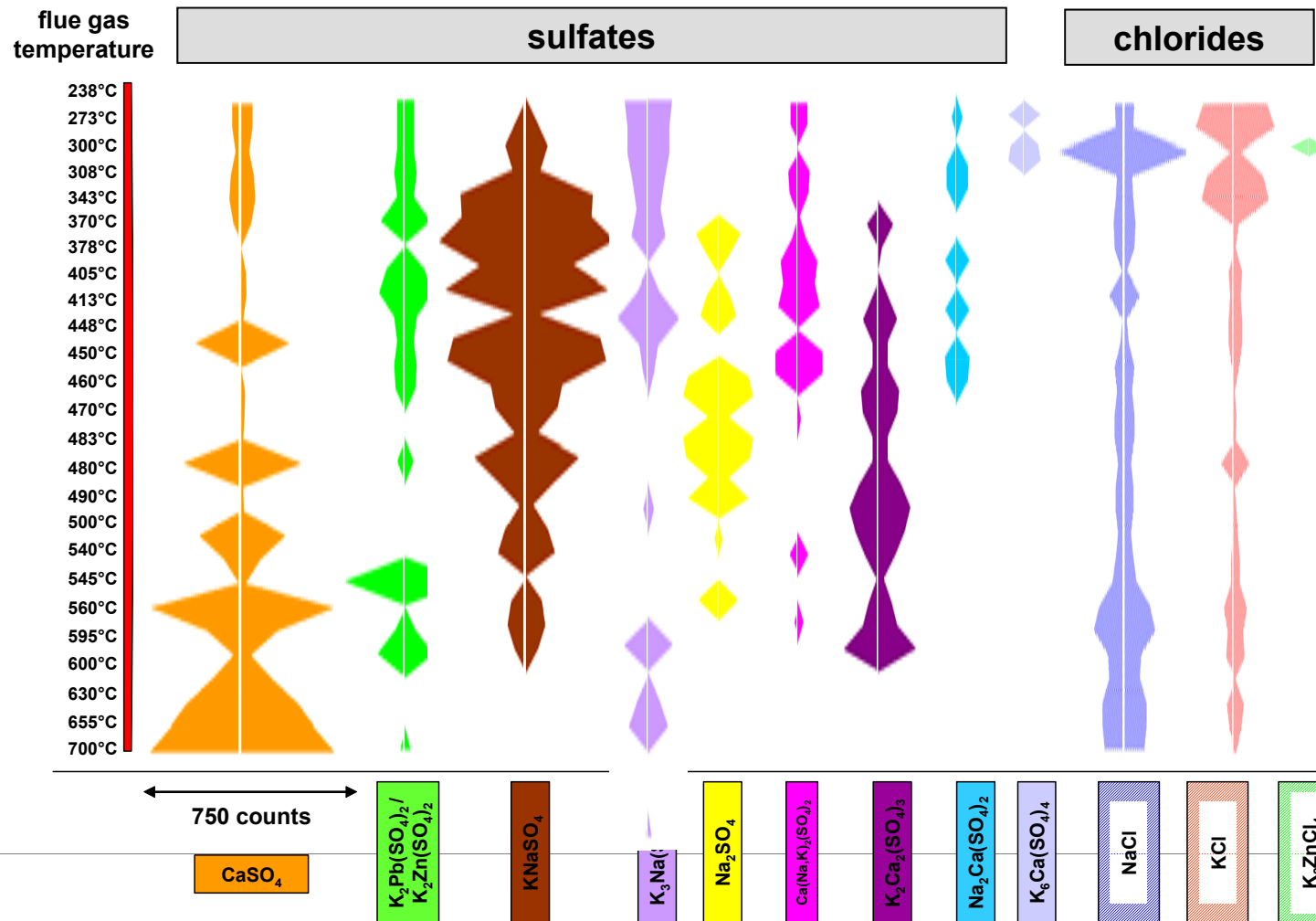
main elements



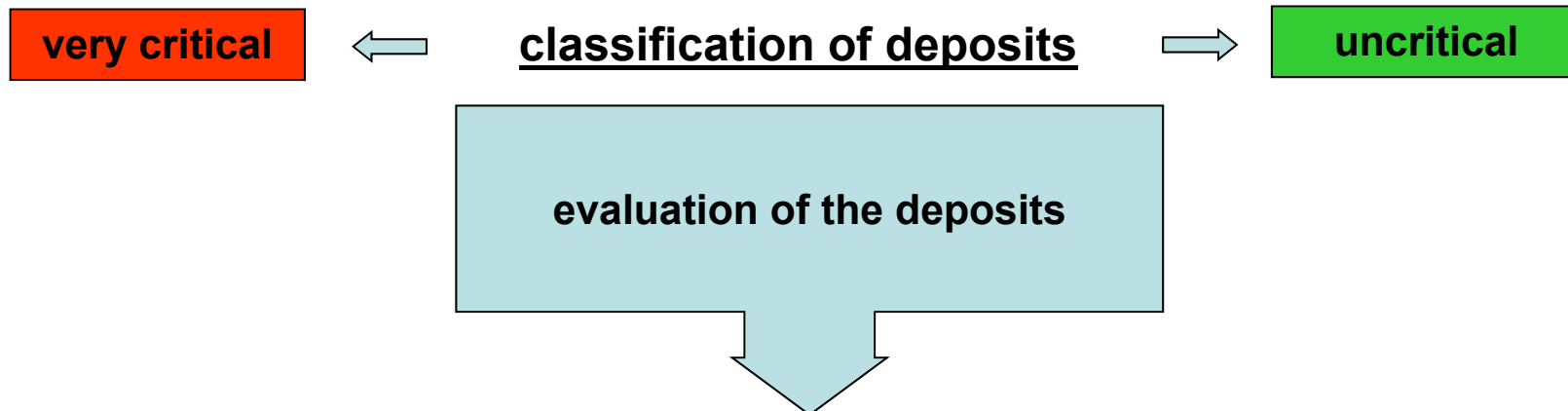
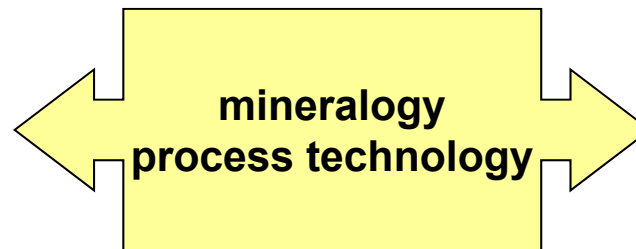
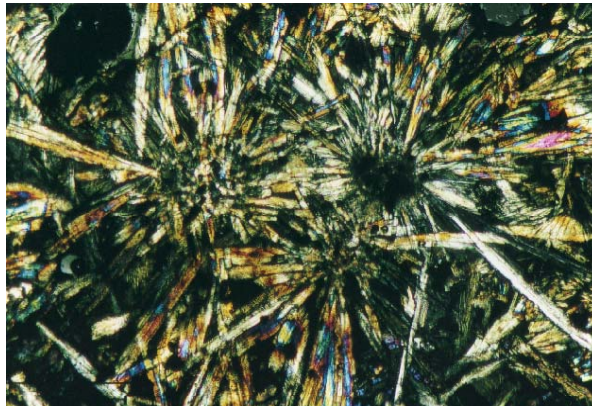
heavy metals / metals:



RESULTS: mineralogical temperature profile of boilers 2, 4 and 5

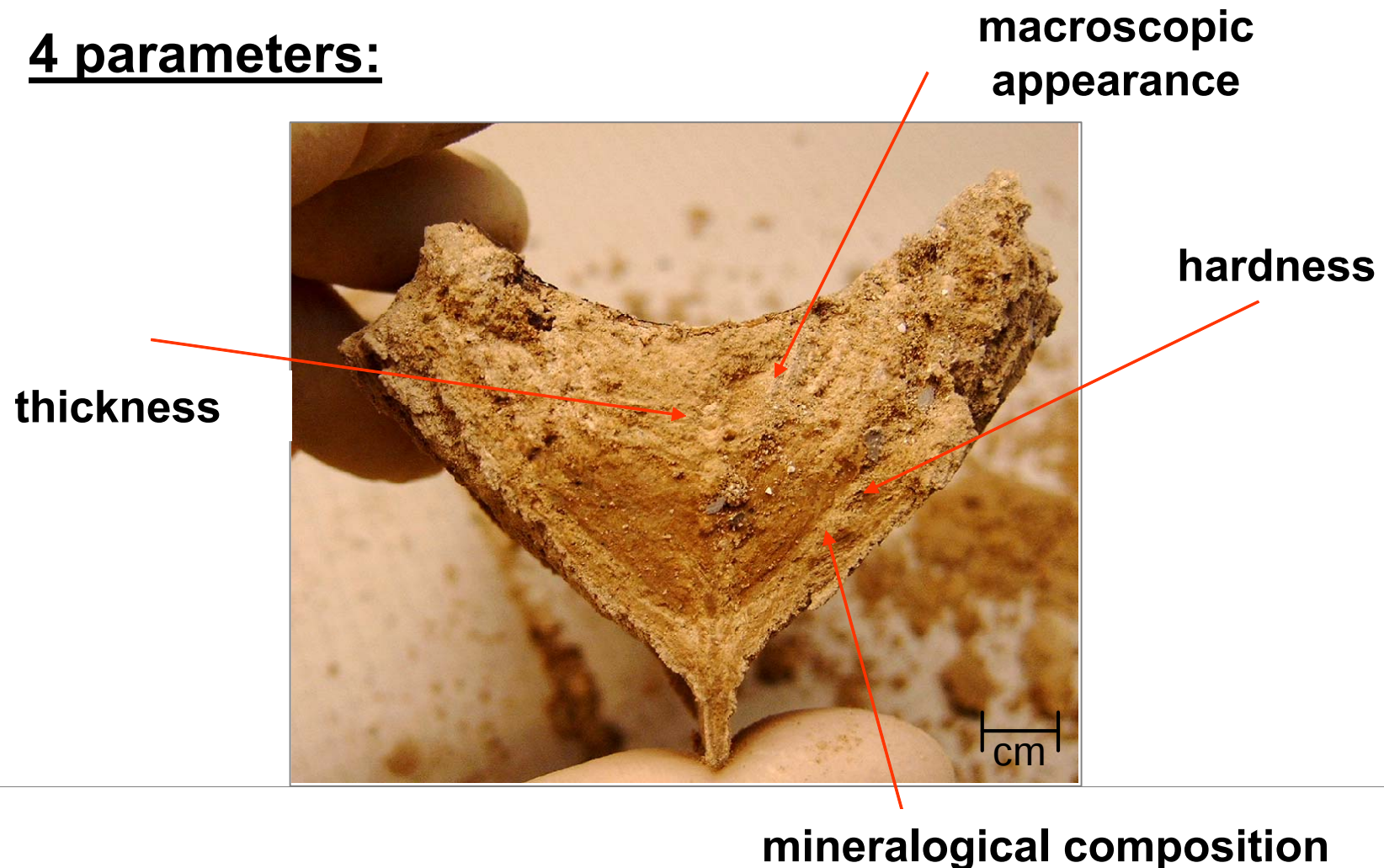


PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION



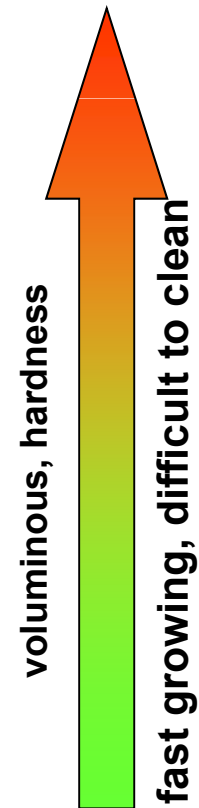
PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION: basis of valuation

4 parameters:



PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION: classification of deposits (refer to heat transfer / cleaning)

reduced
heat transfer



good
heat transfer

**class 1
very critical**



**class 2
critical**



**class 3a
acceptable**



**class 3b
acceptable**



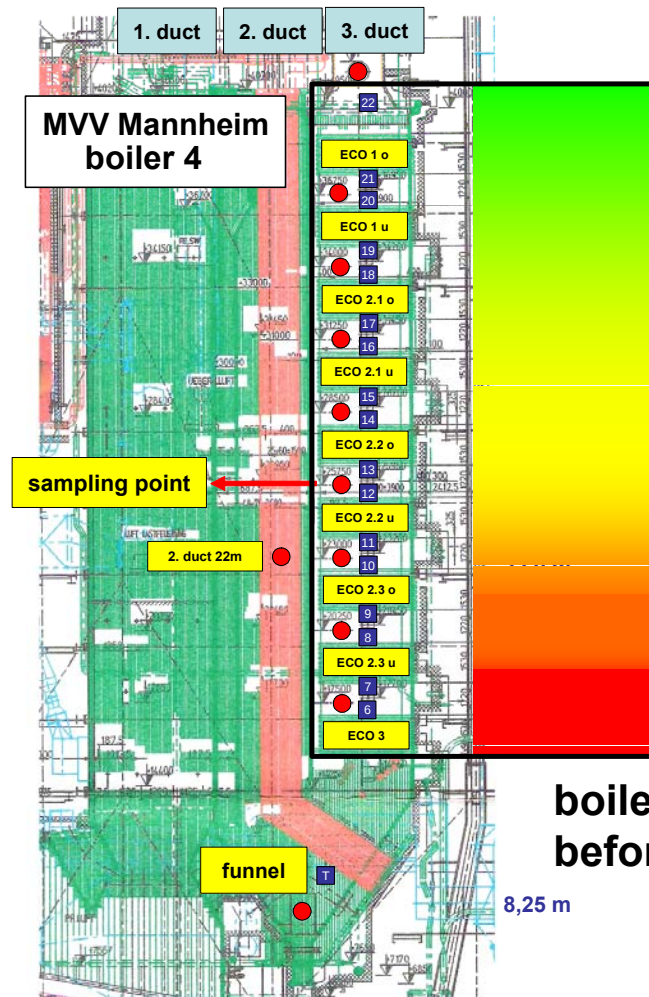
**class 4a
uncritical**



**class 4b
uncritical**



PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION: valuation



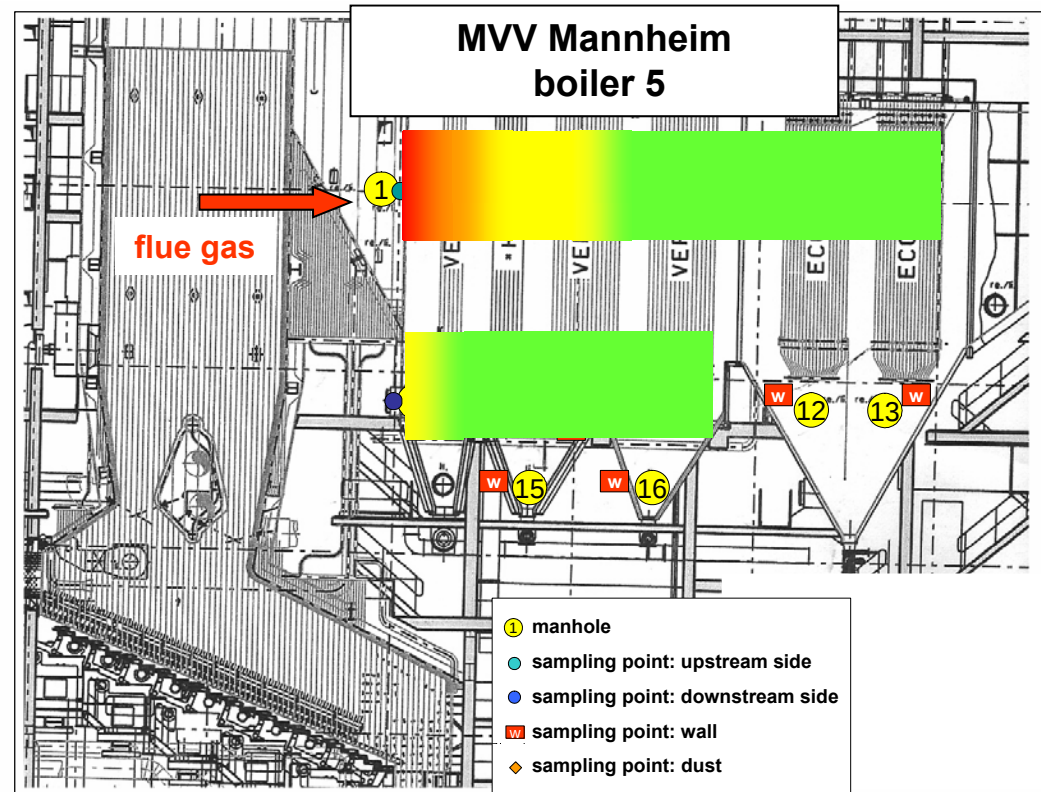
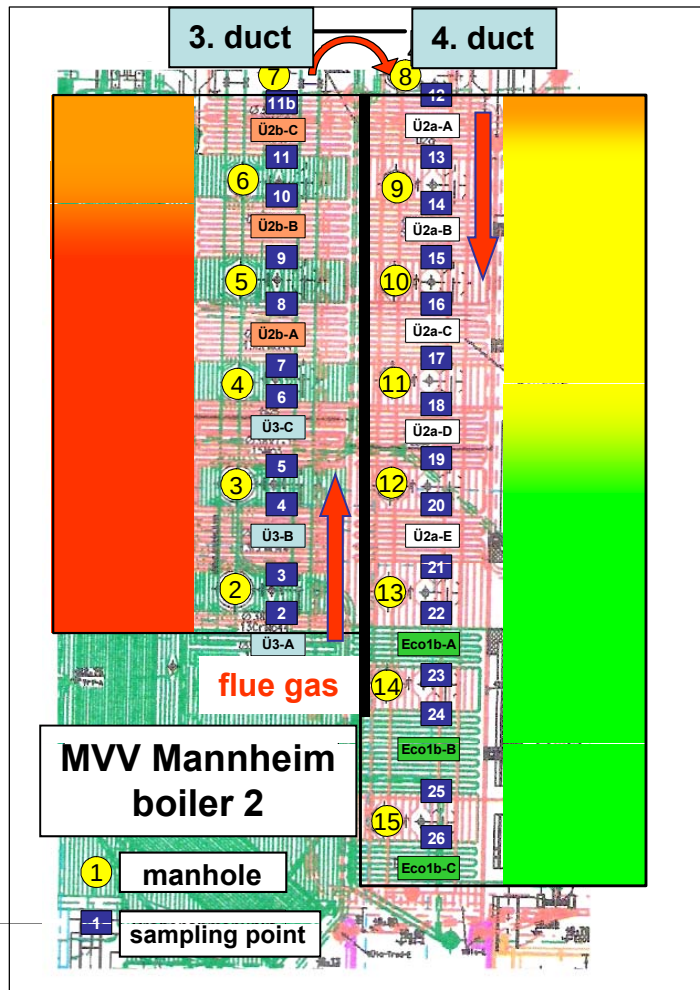
influence of the process technology
(boiler 4)

classification	
1	very critical
2	critical
3	acceptable
4	uncritical

boiler profile
before reconstruction

8,25 m

PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION: valuation

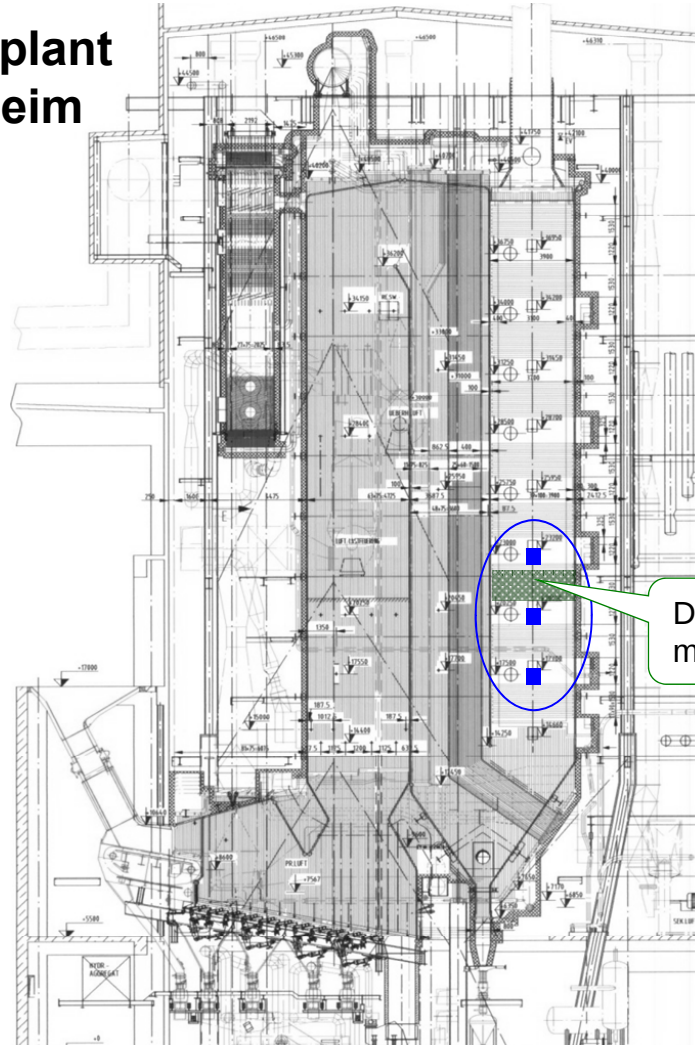


influence of the
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PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION: reconstruction

MSWI power plant
MVV Mannheim
boiler 4



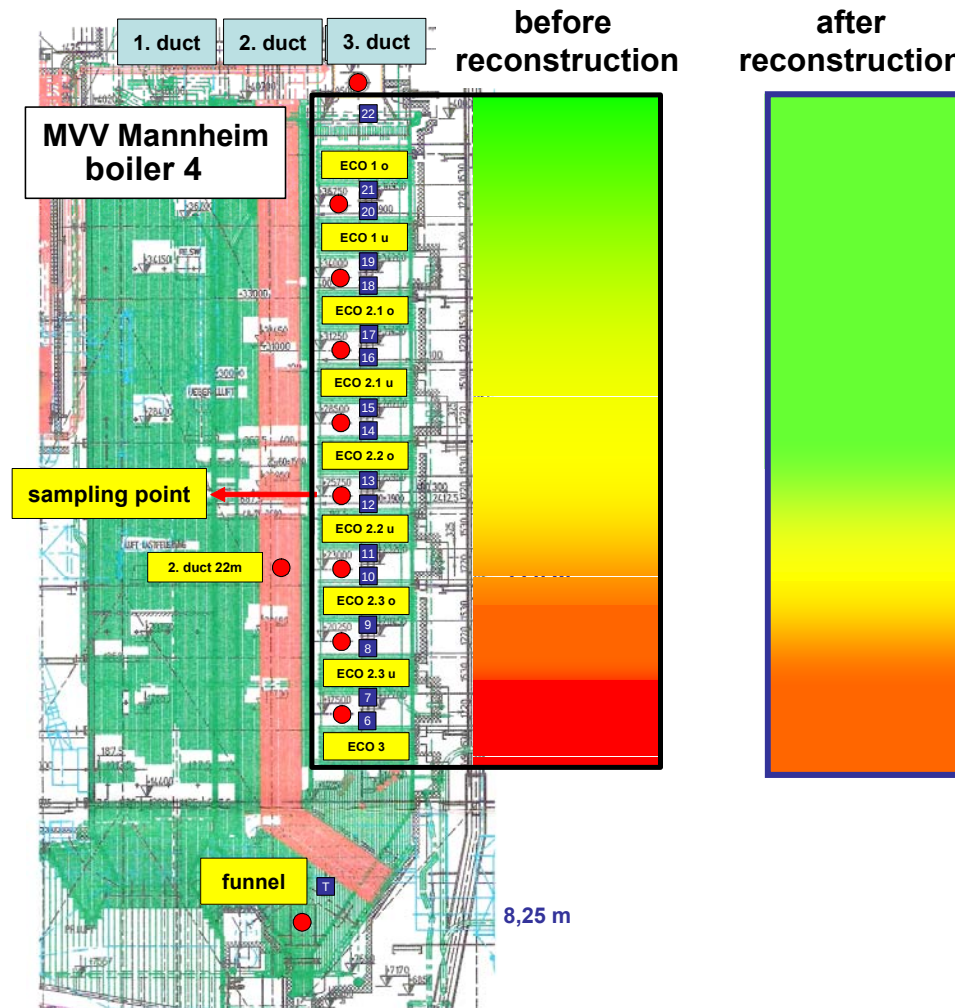
measure leads
to



- extension of the running time
- reduction of the costs (about 27 %)

Double division of the critical heat exchanger +
mechanical cleaning system

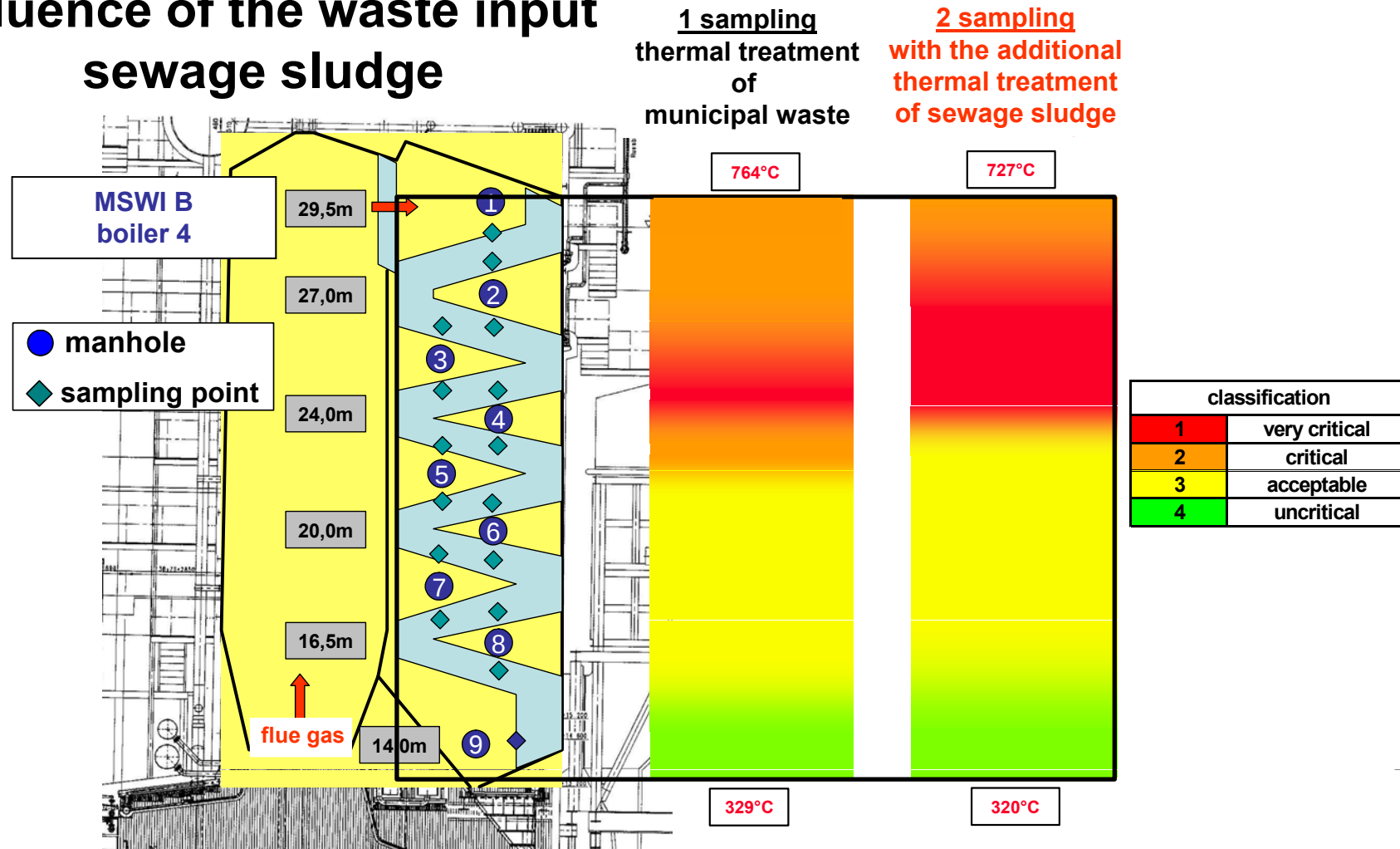
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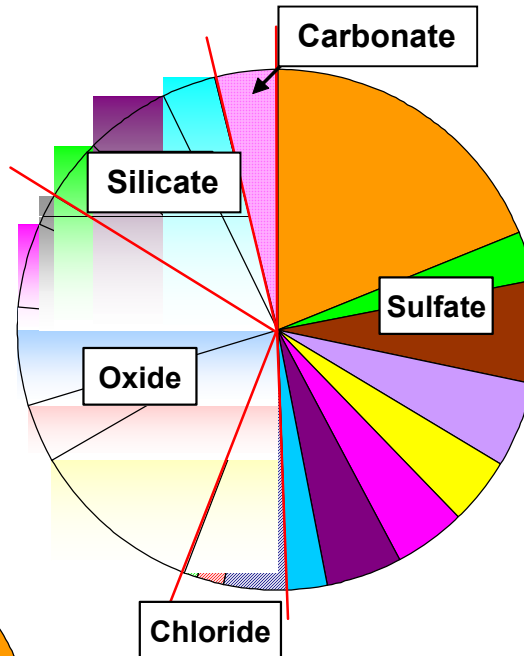
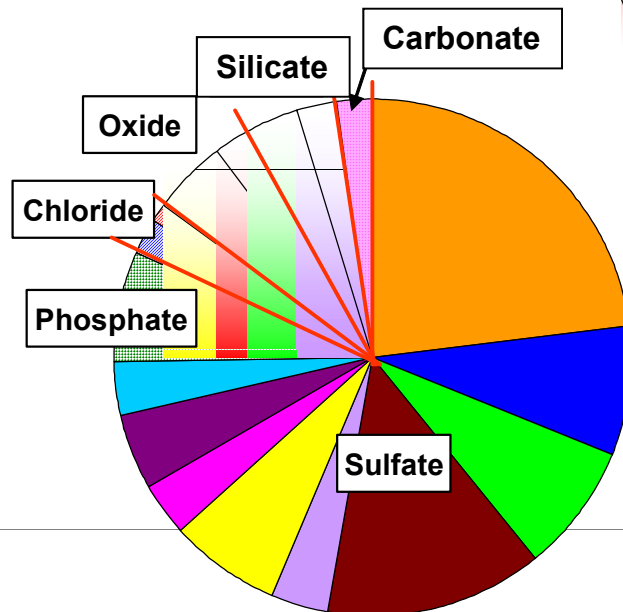
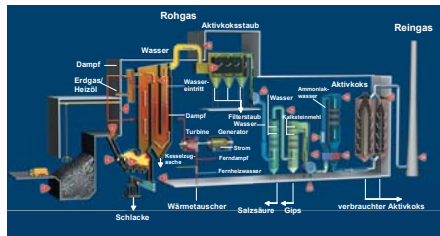
PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION: waste input

influence of the waste input sewage sludge

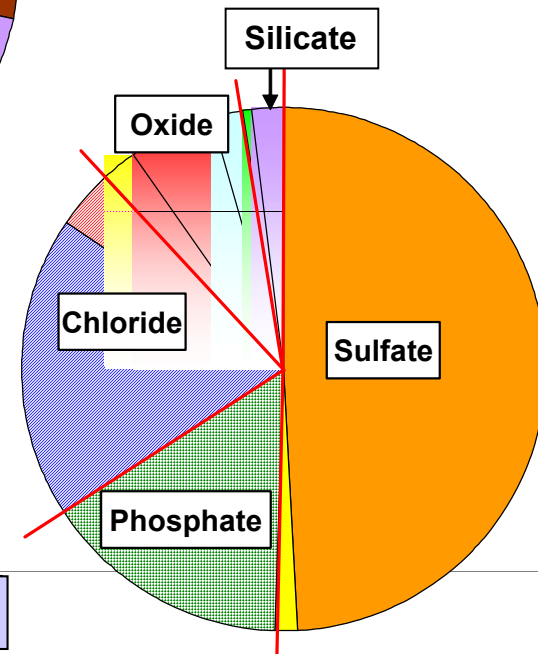
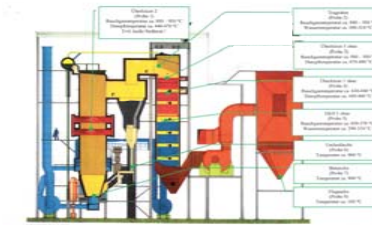


COMPARISON OF DEPOSITS OF DIFFERENT POWER PLANTS

MSWI power plant

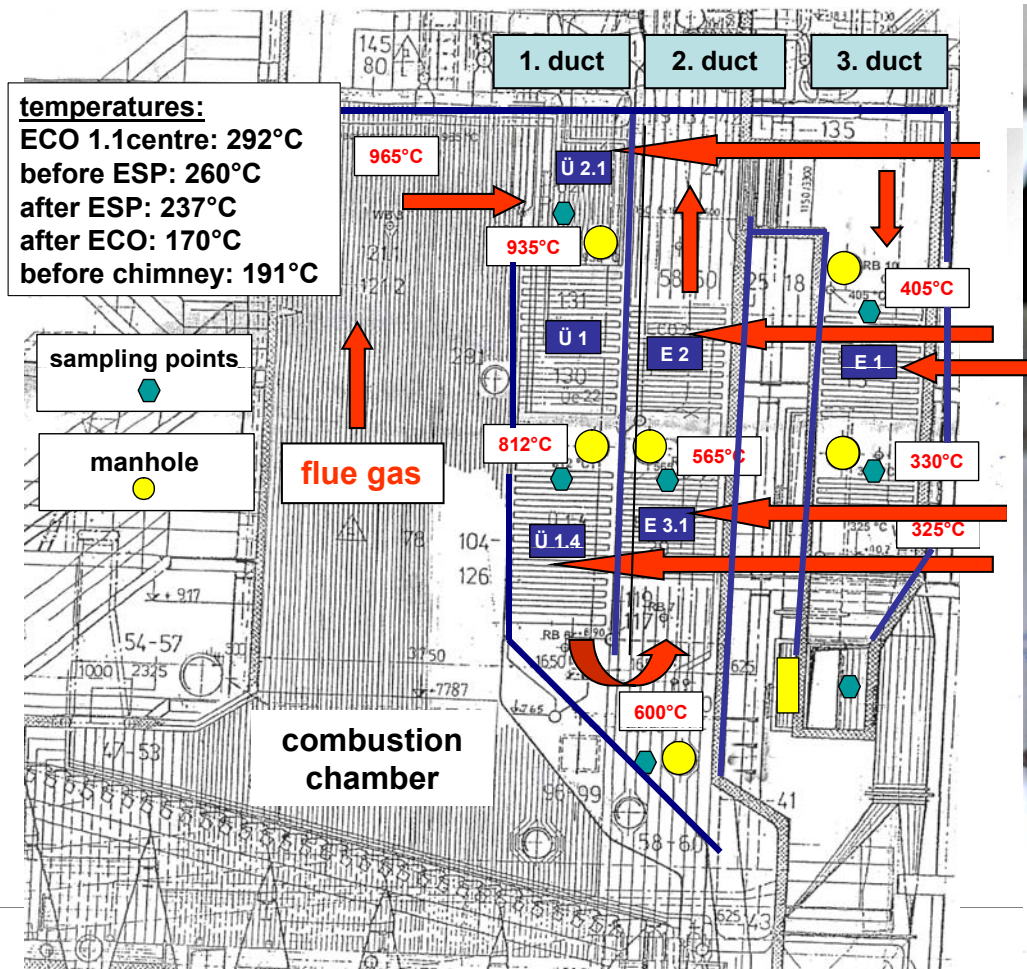


RDF power plant

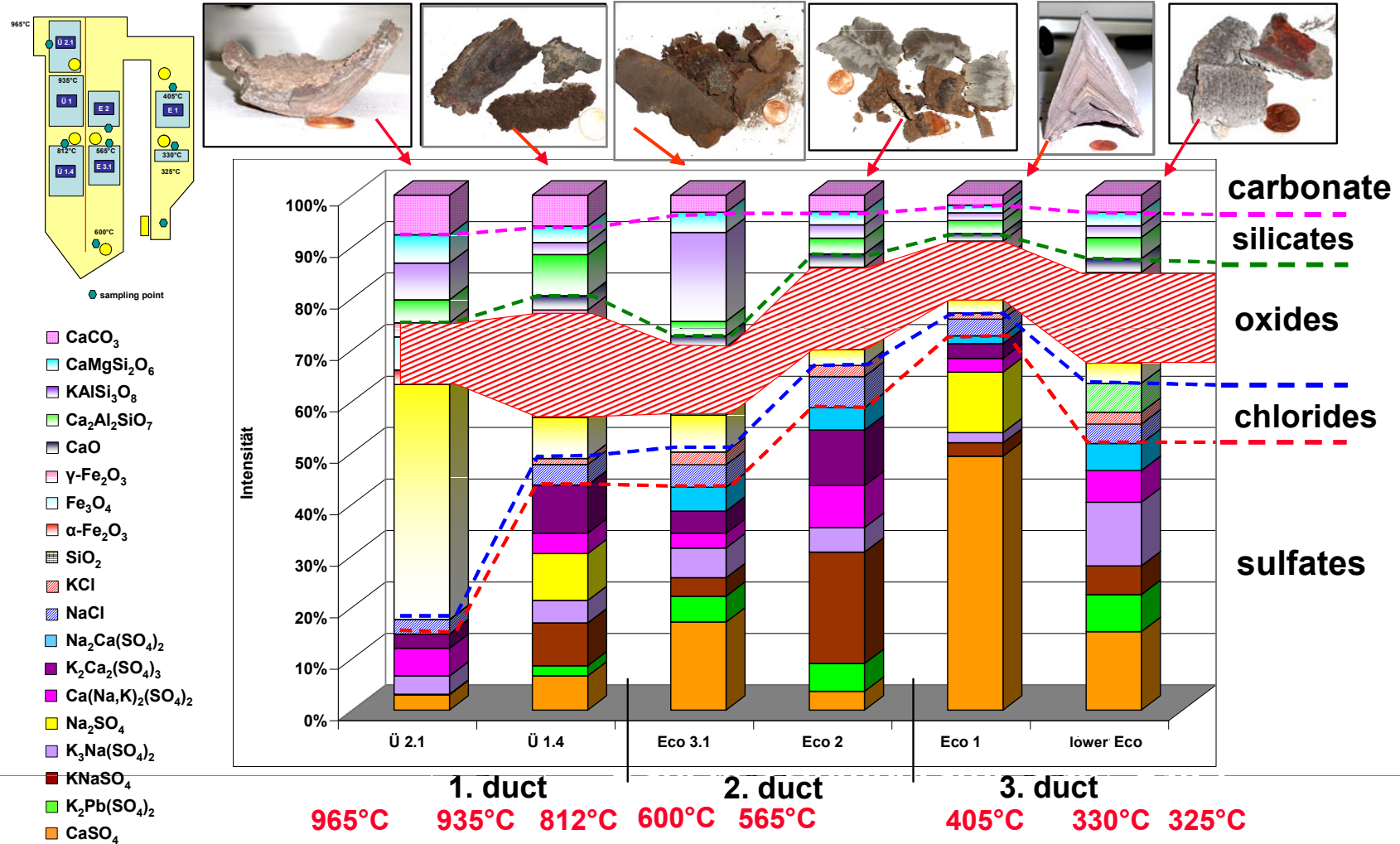


Biomass power plant

BIOMASS POWER PLANT



RESULTS: mineralogical composition



RESULTS: mineralogical composition and heat transfer



superheater 2.1: 965 – 935°C

- compact material
- oxides and silicates
- extremely difficult to clean
- reduced heat transfer



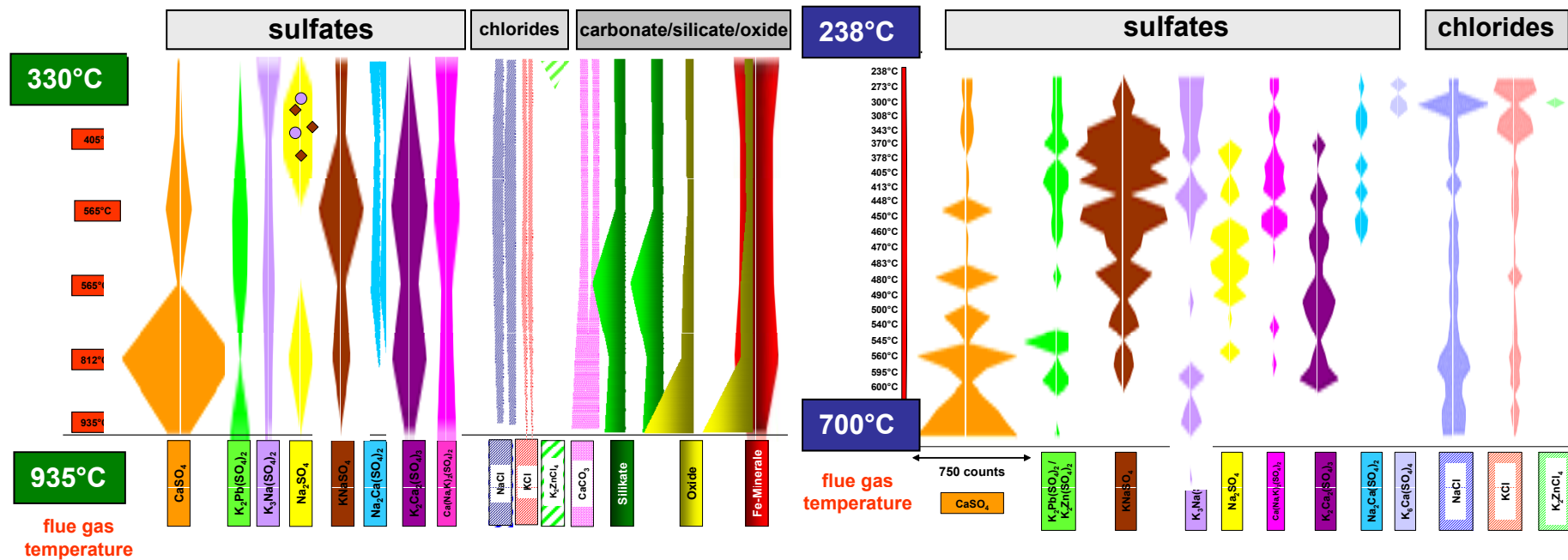
economizer 1: 405°C

- thin layered deposits
- sulfates and oxides/silicates
- difficult to clean

RESULTS: temperature profile

biomass power plant

MSWI power plant



SUMMARY

- **investigated power plants:**
 - MSWI power plant Mannheim boilers 2, 4, 5, 6 / MSWI power plant TREA Leuna
 - biomass power plant Zapfendorf / biomass power plant Mannheim
 - RDF plant Osnabrück: residues of paper production
- **mineralogical and chemical characterization of deposits:**
sulfates, chlorides, silicates, oxides
- **development of temperature profiles of boilers**
- **development of a classification model for deposits**
- **relevance for practice:**
 - optimization of existing plants
 - optimization the planning of new plants
 - determination of the influence of different waste inputs
- **successful measures**
 - modification of boiler 4 of MSWI power plant Mannheim
 - construction of boiler 6 of MSWI power plant Mannheim
 - planning of new boilers of the energy company MVV