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- Green Hydrogen Production & Mobility -



# Asahi Kasei's Activities for Green Hydrogen Production

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# Asahi Kasei Corporation overview

## About us



## Established

1922

## Employees

44,497

## Sales (FY2020)

\$19.1B

## Operation Income (FY2020)

\$1.5B

## Business Segments



*Material*



*Homes*



*Health Care*



# Asahi Kasei's products

## Critical Care

- Defibrillator
- Temperature management system



## Pharmaceuticals & Devices

- Prescription Drugs
- Hemodialysis



## Health Care



## Construction Materials

- Autoclaved aerated concrete
- Thermal insulation
- Structural systems and components



## Homes



### Homes

- Order-built homes
- Real estate-related operations
- Renovation



## Chemicals

- Petrochemicals
- Performance Materials
- Performance Polymers
- Consumables



## Material



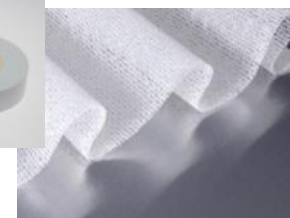
## Fibers & Textiles

- Bemberg
- Roica
- Nonwovens
- Leona nylon 66



## Electronics

- Battery Separators
- Semiconductors
- Sensors



Net sales in FY2020



# Asahi Kasei's decarbonization initiative

## Reducing our own GHG emissions

To realize a sustainable society  
the Asahi Kasei Group aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050<sup>\*1</sup>

### Main Measures

- ▶ Energy decarbonization (acceleration of R&D for alkaline water electrolysis, CO<sub>2</sub> separation/recovery/utilization, etc.)
- ▶ Manufacturing process innovation
- ▶ Shift to high-value-added, low-carbon businesses, etc.

### 2030 Target

**Reduce GHG emissions by 30% or more (compared with FY2013)<sup>\*2</sup>**

**Develop a roadmap to achieve the goal,  
and accelerate decarbonization initiatives accordingly**

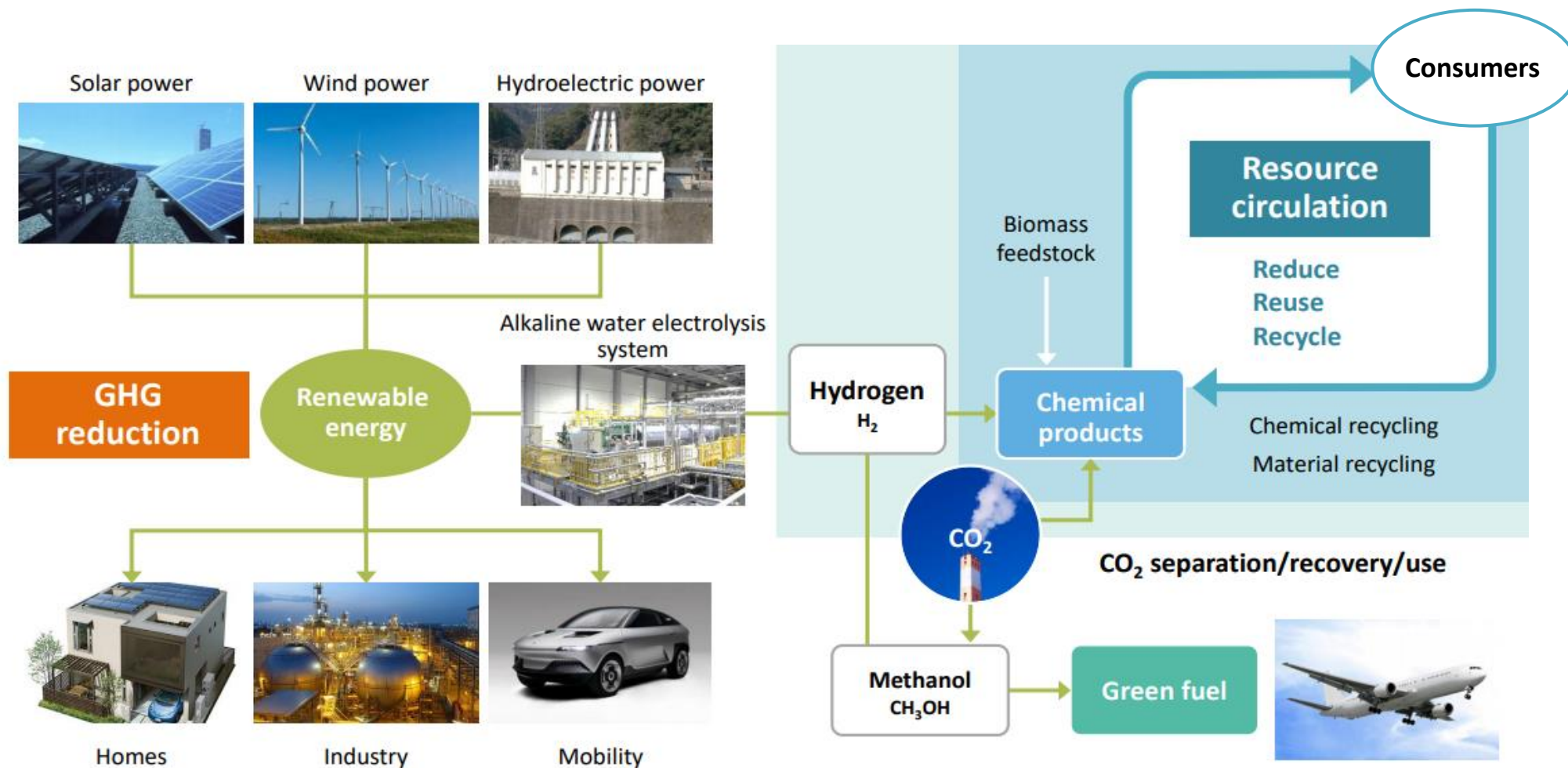
\*1: GHG emissions from our business activities (Scope 1, 2)

\*2: Presumption that the Japanese power supply structure will be more than 50% non-fossil in accordance with the governmental policy





# Carbon neutral way of Asahi Kasei business





# Asahi Kasei's electrolysis technology

- Launched chlor-alkali electrolysis business.  
Asahi Kasei becomes only one supplier which can supply all the components.

**Acilyzer™**

- Started hydrogen production by water electrolyzing for synthesizing ammonia.  
[Japan Chemical Heritage]



**1923**



**1975**

**2010**



- Started the development of alkaline water electrolyzer based on its chlor-alkali technologies.

**2020**



**Aqualyzer™**

- Installed 10MW-scale alkaline water electrolyzer into FH2R\* and started the operation.
- Joined ALIGN-CCUS project as an electrolyzer supplier.

\* FH2R is a project commissioned by the New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO).



# 10MW alkaline water electrolyzer system

(under development)



Hydrogen Production	300 - 2,000 Nm <sup>3</sup> H <sub>2</sub> /hr (27 - 180 kg H <sub>2</sub> /hr)
DC Power Consumption	max. 10MW
Power Variation Rate	±0.5MW / sec
Area per cell	2.7 m <sup>2</sup>
Number of cells (per unit)	170
H <sub>2</sub> Purity	>99.97% (after purifier, dry basis)

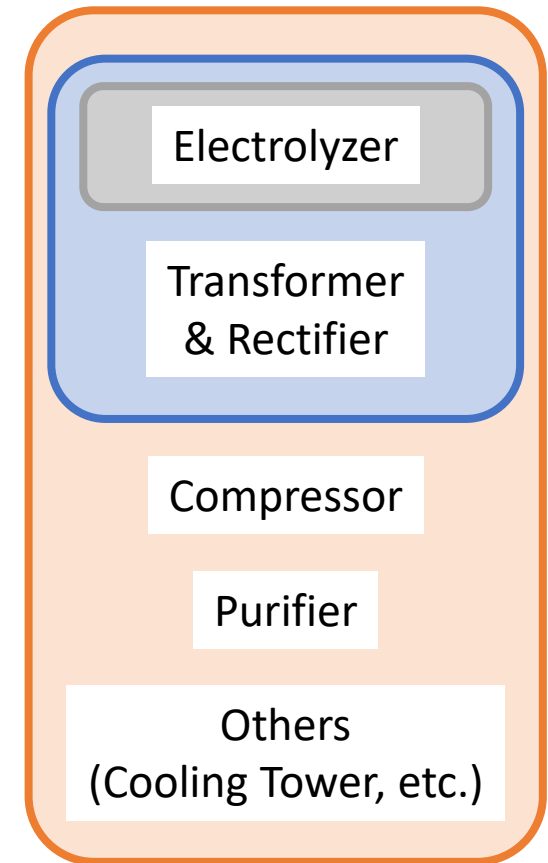
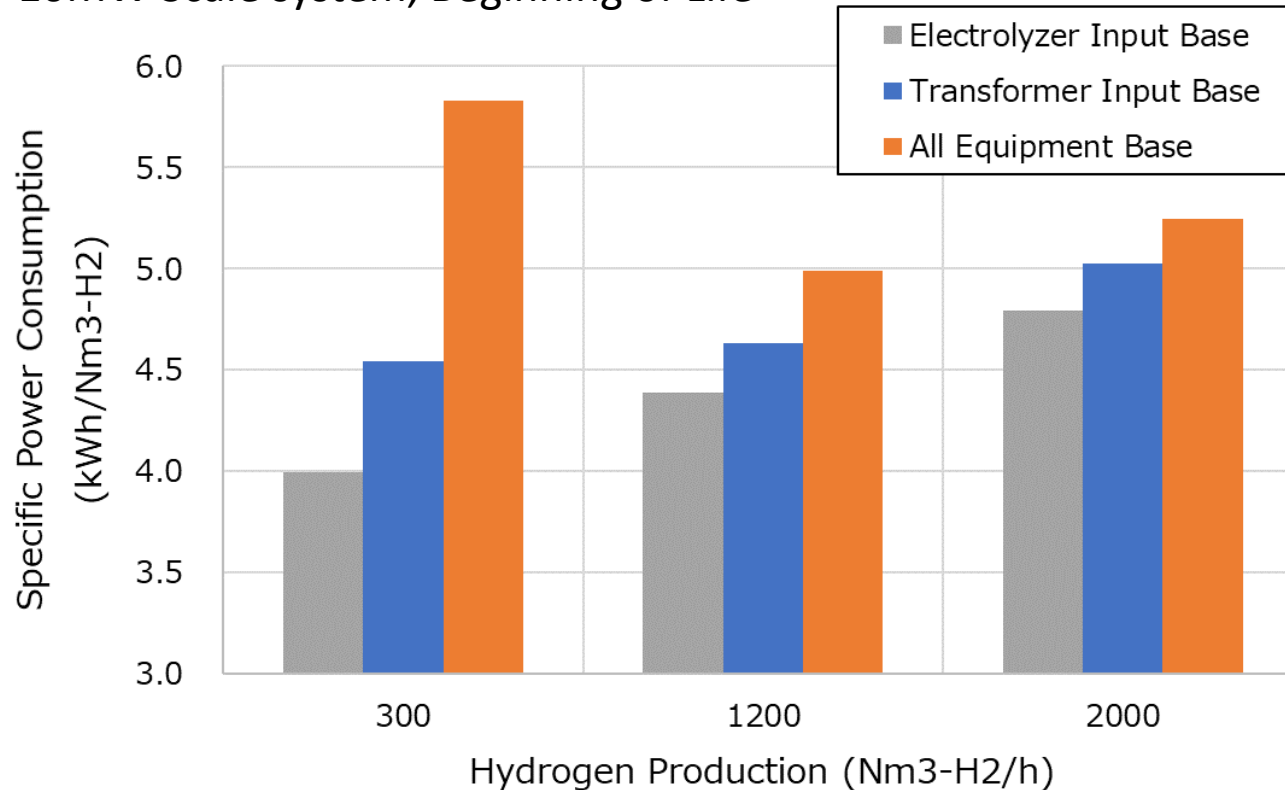
- Aqualyzer is under development, but the basic specifications have already been confirmed.
- Aqualyzer is designed to accept fluctuated power input and can be scaled up by multiplying 10MW base units. We plan to launch Aqualyzer by 2025.





# Power consumption of Aqualyzer

10MW Scale system, Beginning of Life



- In general, the specific power consumption of electrolyzer increases with the hydrogen production.
- The inversion trend in all equipment base is mainly caused by fixed power consumption of the hydrogen compressor.





# Fukushima Hydrogen Energy Research Field (FH2R)



**TOSHIBA**



Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc.



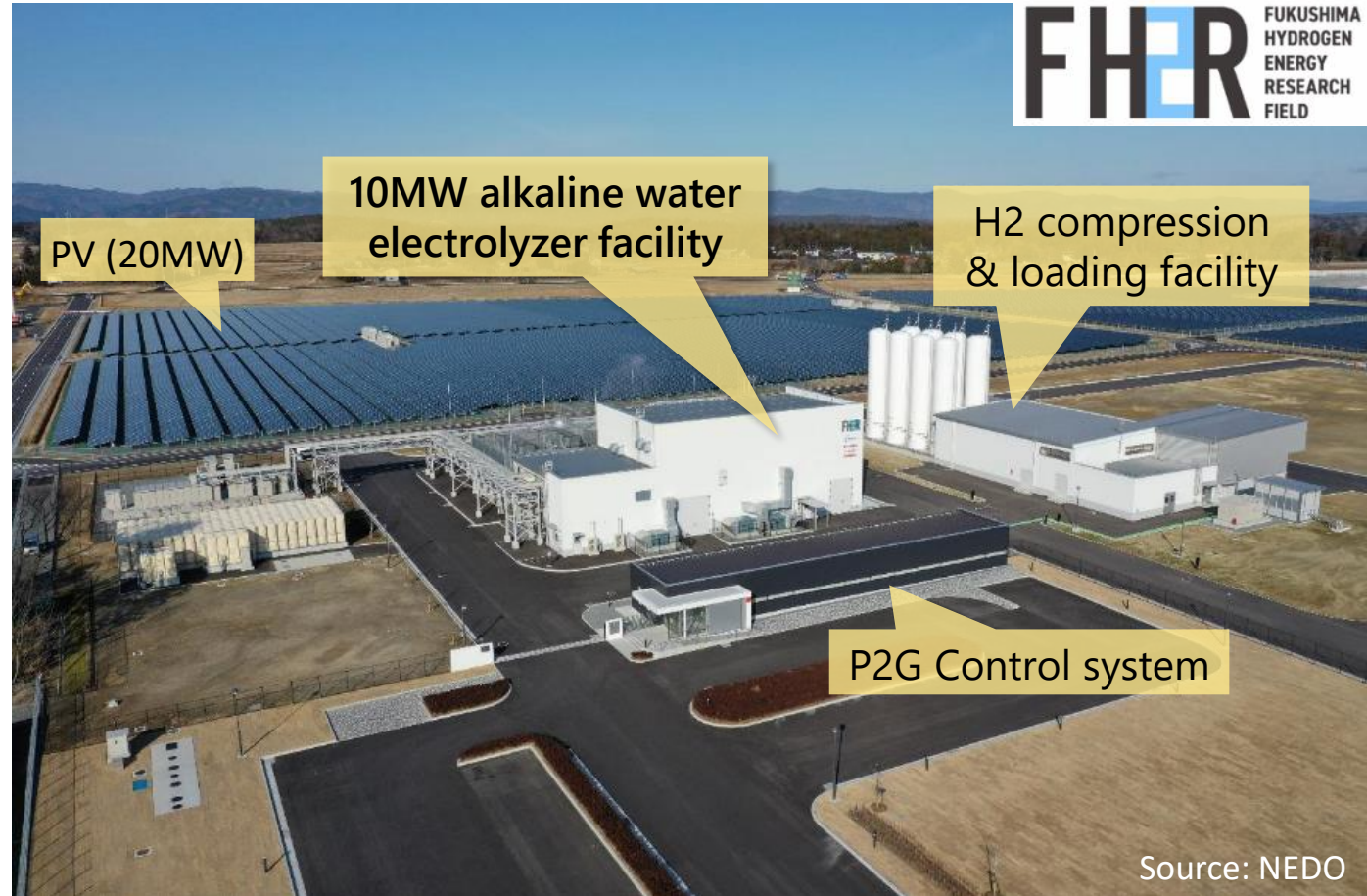
Tohoku Electric Power Network Co., Inc.

**Iwatani**

**AsahiKASEI**



Namie-town  
Fukushima



Source: NEDO

- FH2R is a 10MW-class hydrogen production plant with 20MW PV, started in Feb. 2020.
- It can supply 200 atm and FCV-class (ISO14687-2) hydrogen from fluctuated electricity input.



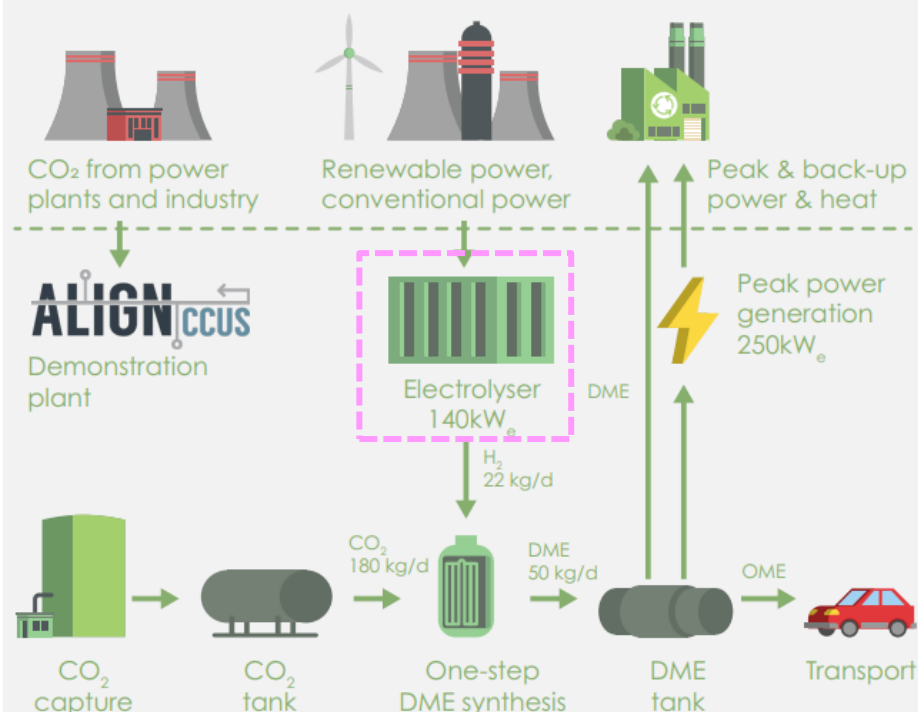
# Activities in Europe

## AN ENERGY REVOLUTION: SYNTHETIC FUELS FROM CO<sub>2</sub>



### Making low-carbon fuel

Our first-of-a-kind project has made the synthetic fuel DME from CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrogen – produced using renewable energy – which could transform how we live and work.



### The Team

<b>RWE</b> <b>RWE Power</b> Operates CO <sub>2</sub> capture plant and demonstration plant 24/7	<b>FEV Europe</b> Retrofitting of engine for DME/OME use
<b>Mitsubishi Power</b> <b>Mitsubishi Power Europe</b> DME synthesis and full-scale plant study	<b>TNO</b> Process optimisation & DME synthesis
<b>Asahi Kasei</b> Alkaline electrolyser for H <sub>2</sub> production	<b>Forschungszentrum Jülich</b> Technical and economic analysis, Life cycle analysis
<b>RWTH Aachen University</b> Adaptation of diesel engine for DME/OME use	<b>Bosch</b> Fuel injector for DME/OME



- Asahi Kasei has joined ALIGN CCUS project as an electrolyzer supplier.
- The electrolyzer was installed at RWE plant in Niederaußem, Germany, and has been operated since Oct. 2020.



# Green chemical demonstration project



AsahiKASEI

Partnership with JGC Holdings

- ✓ Accepted by NEDO Green Innovation Fund (FY2021-FY2030)  
[subsidy budget: up to approx. 500 million USD]
- ✓ Development of large alkaline water electrolysis system (100 MW scale)
- ✓ Demonstration of green chemical plant using green hydrogen and captured CO<sub>2</sub>
- ✓ Integrated control system for optimizing plant operation

