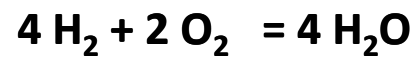


Eine Möglichkeit, Energie zu speichern:
Biologische Methanbildung aus H_2 und CO_2

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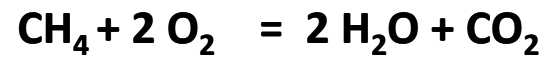


$$\Delta H^\circ = - 960 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



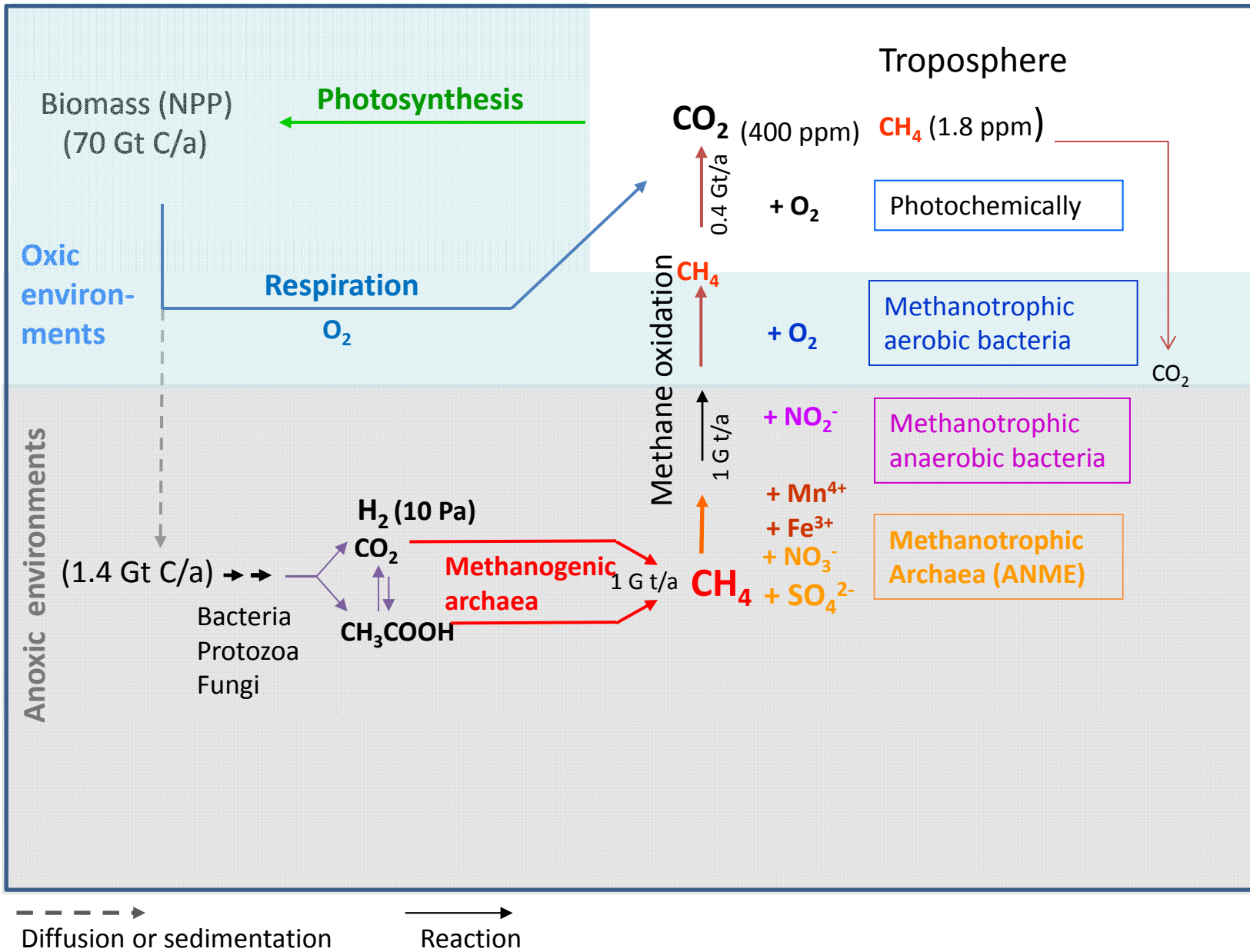
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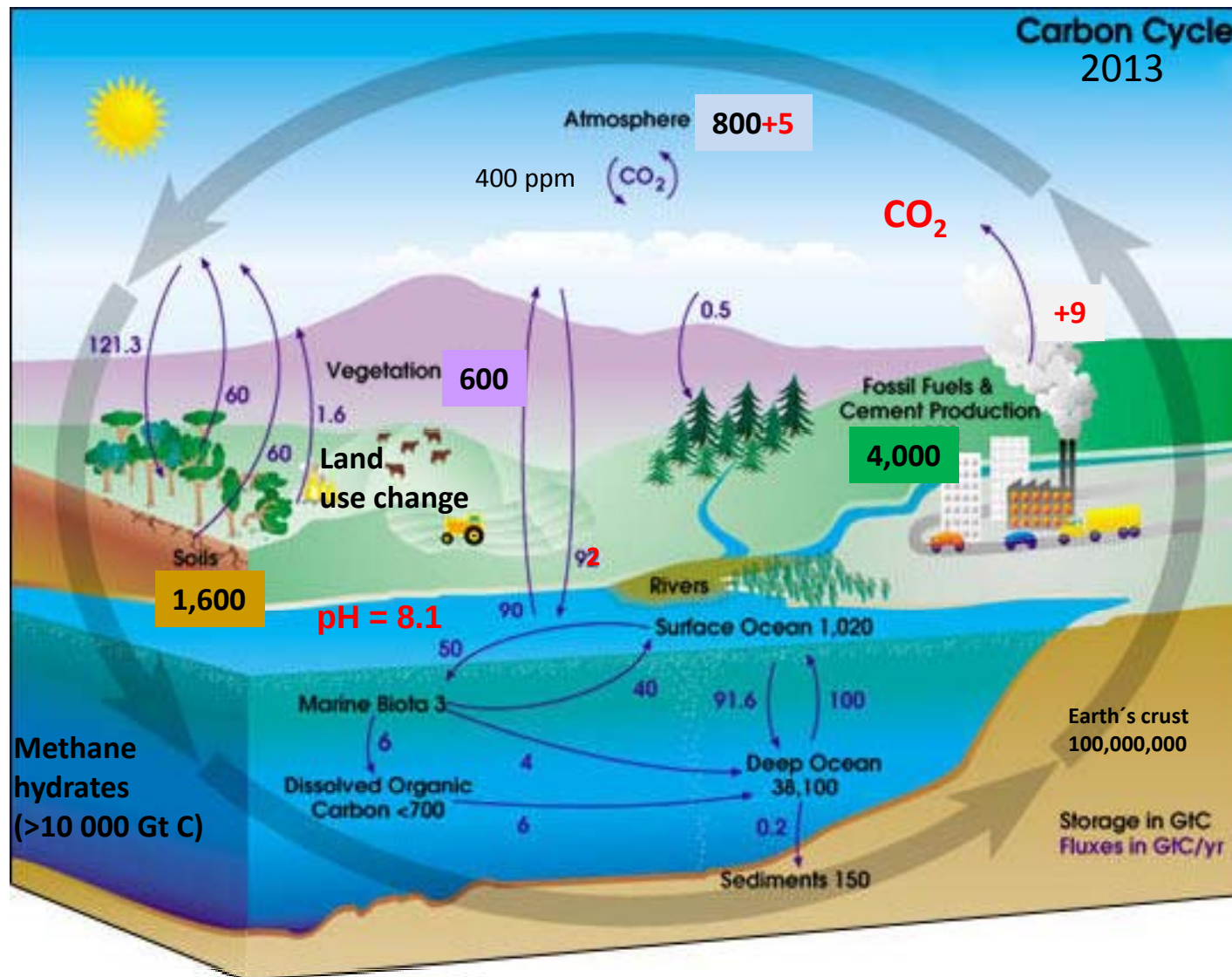
17%
Verlust



$$\Delta H^\circ = - 800 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

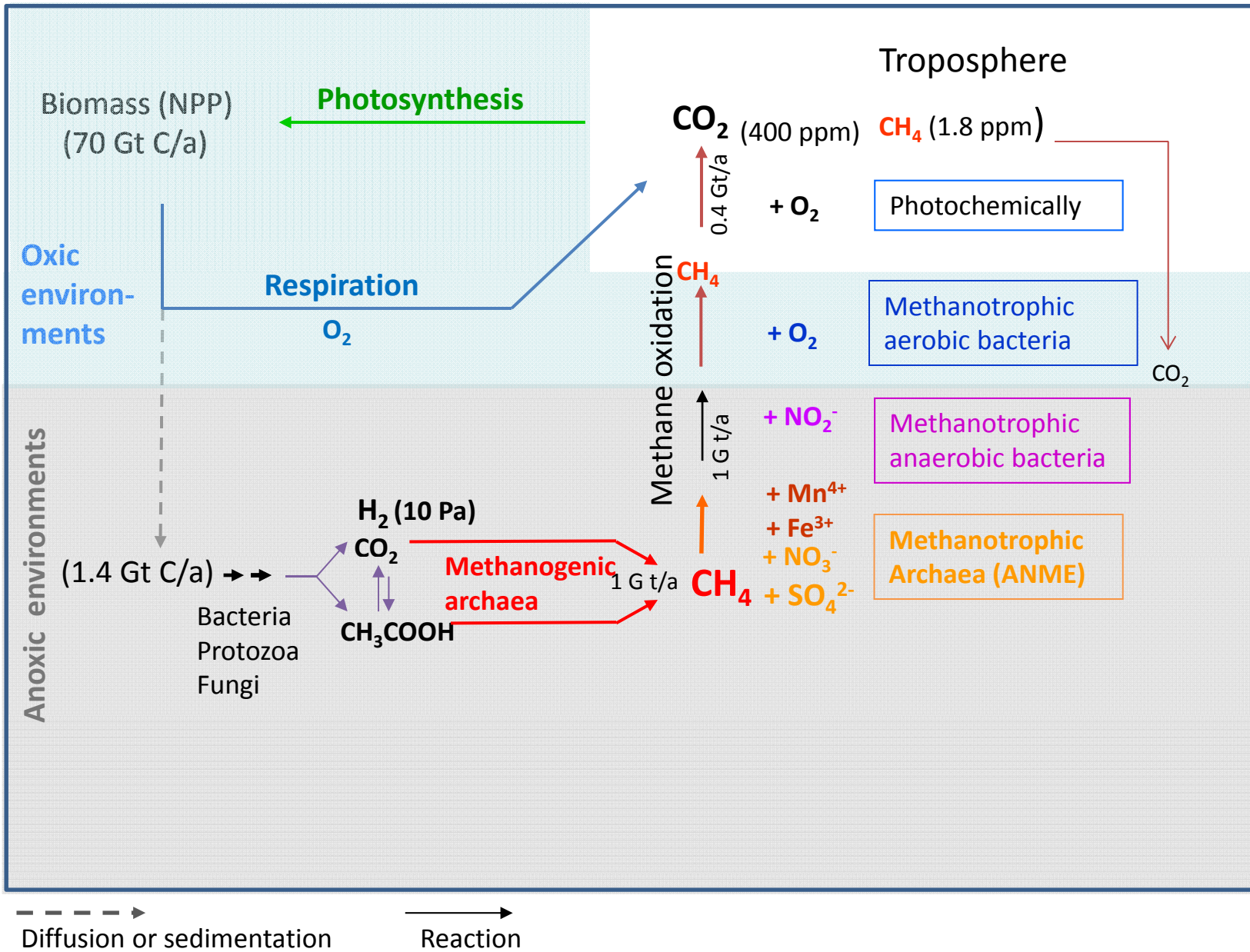
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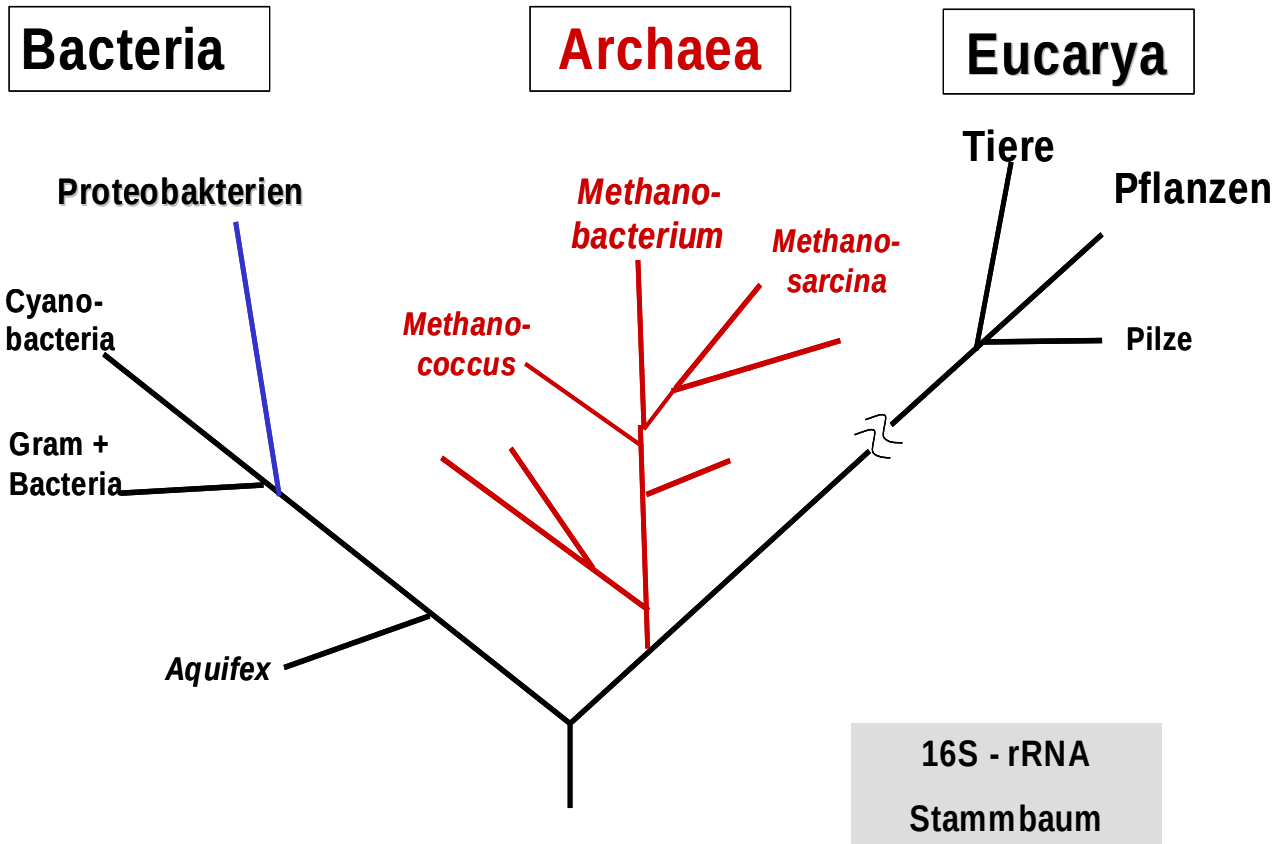




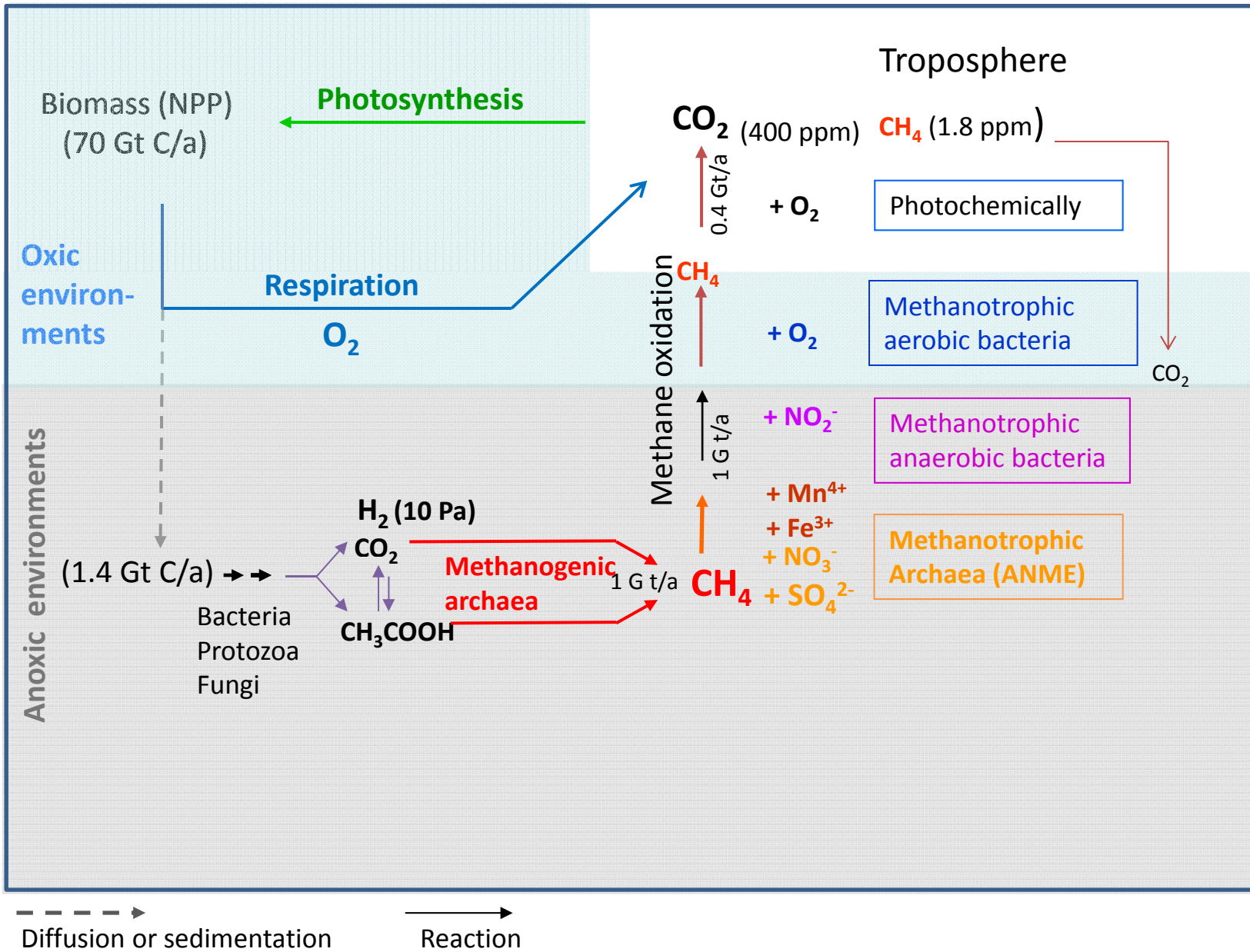
Storage in GtC Fluxes in GtC/yr Anthropogenic in GtC/yr

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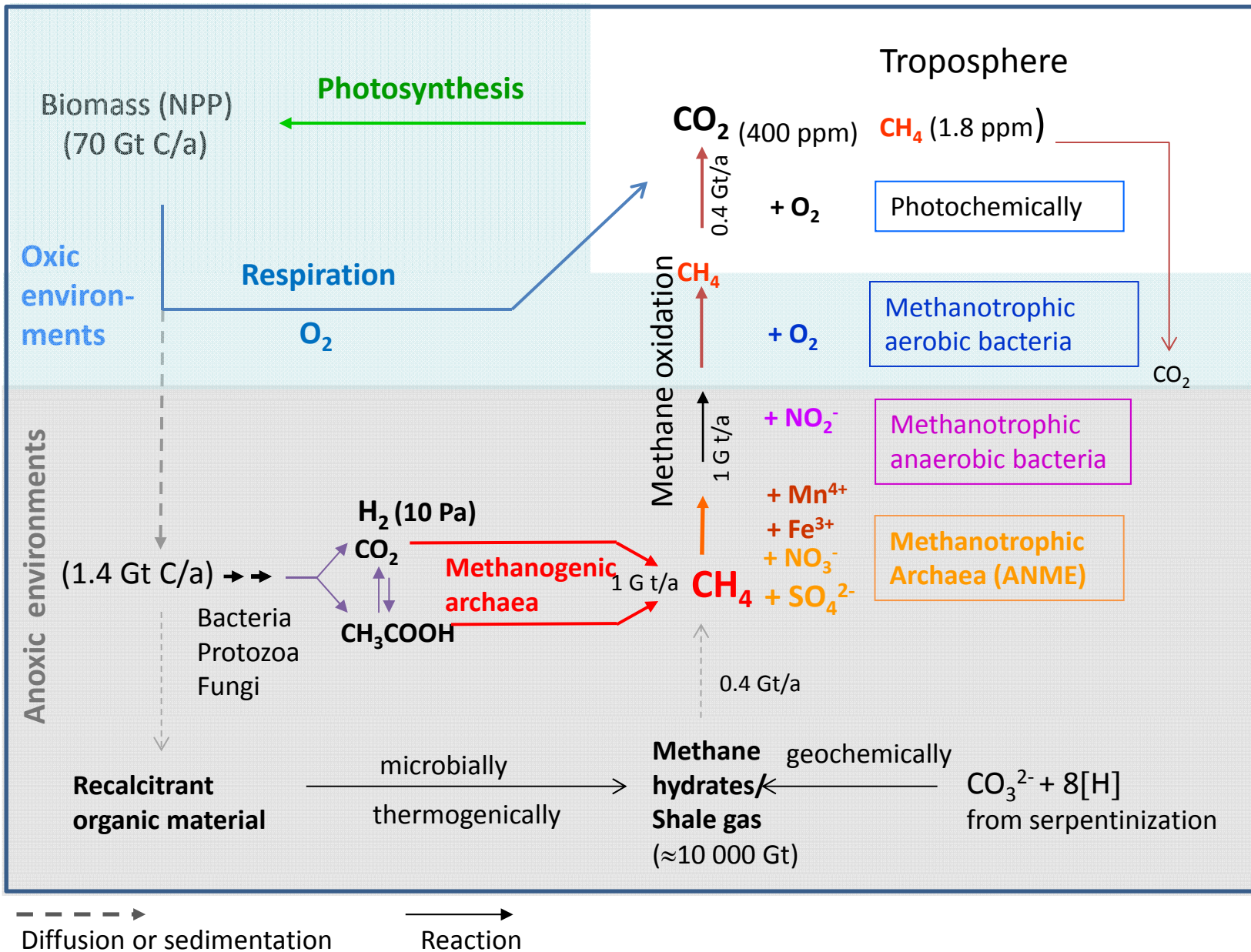




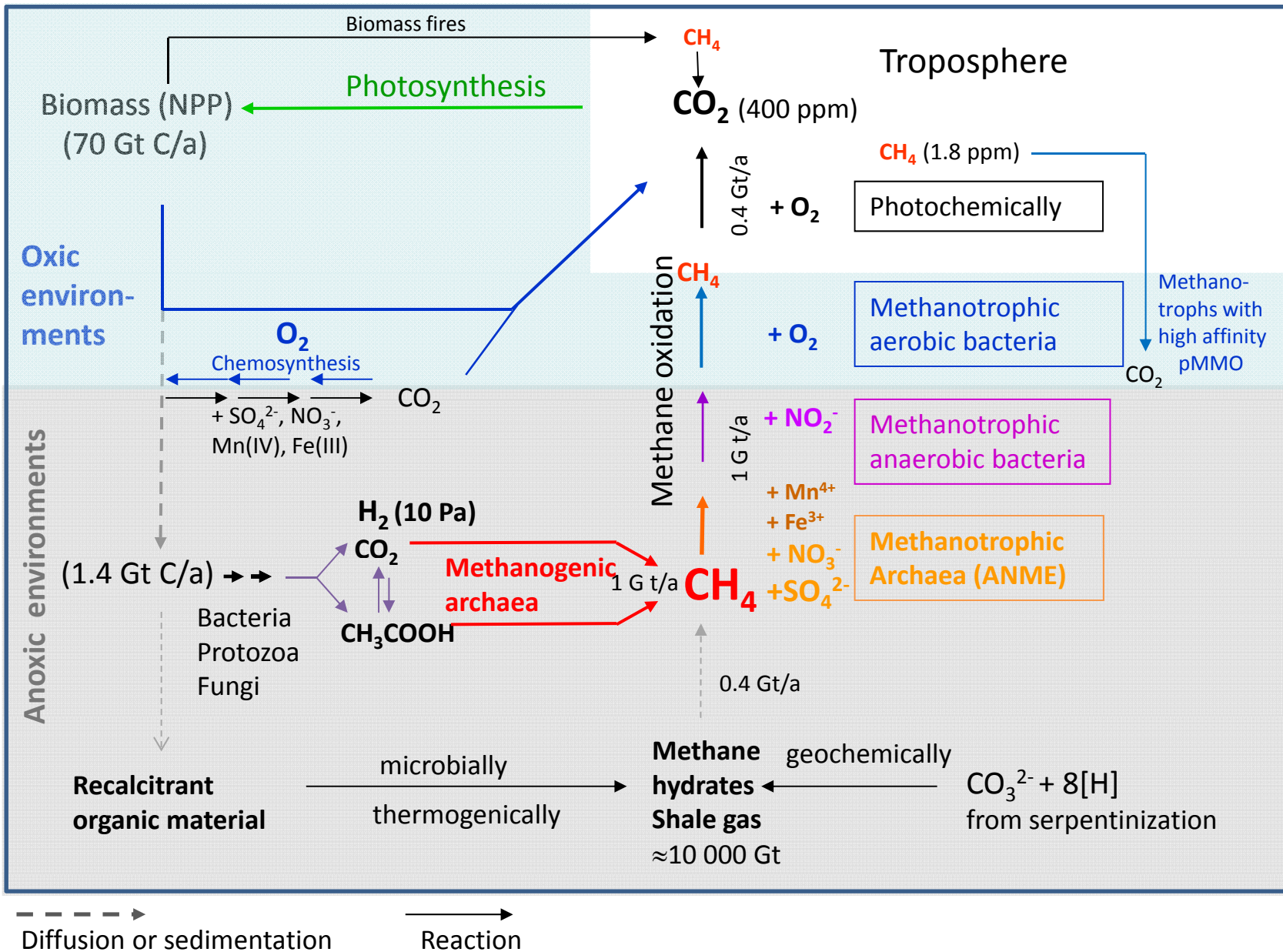
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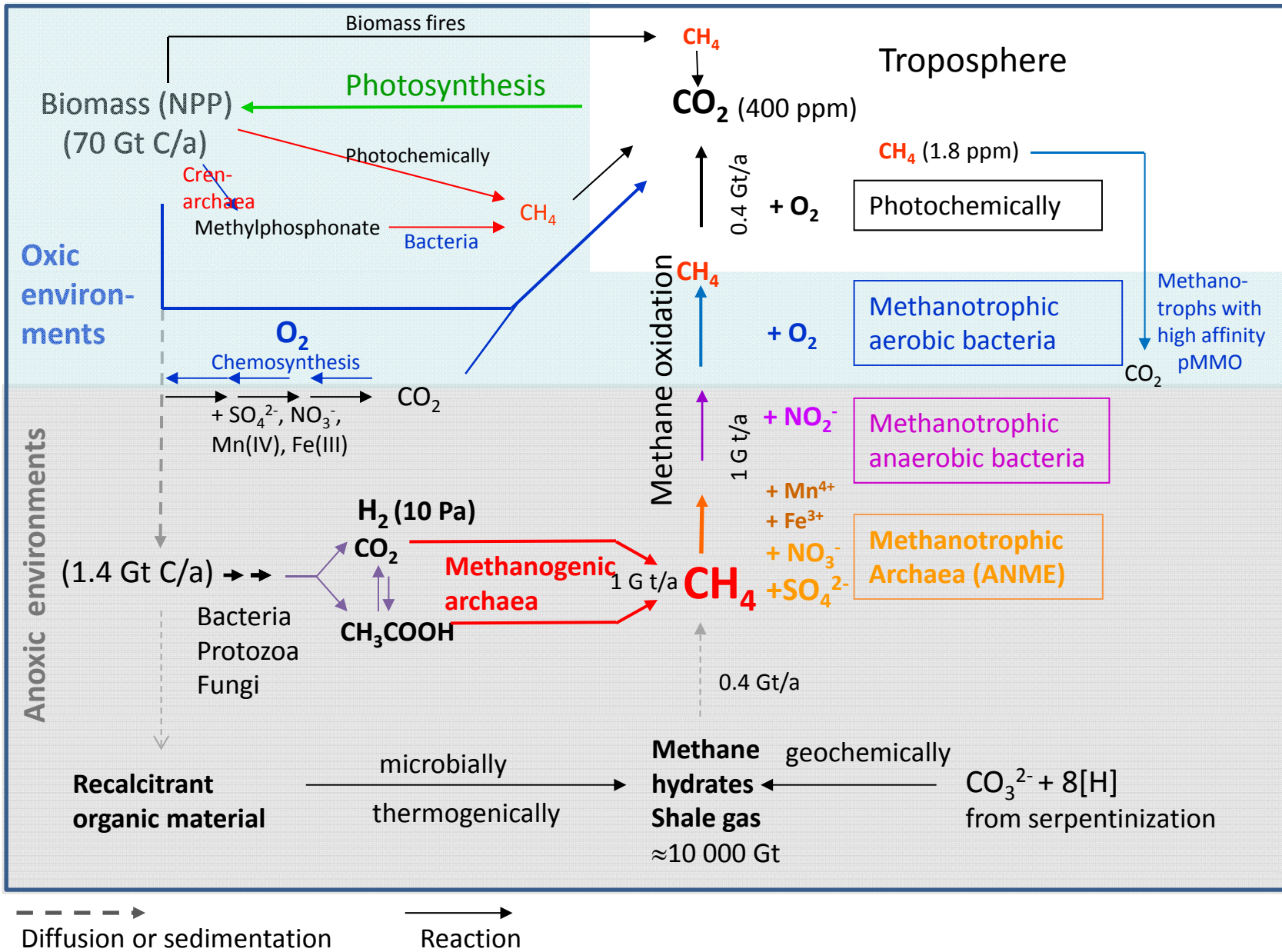
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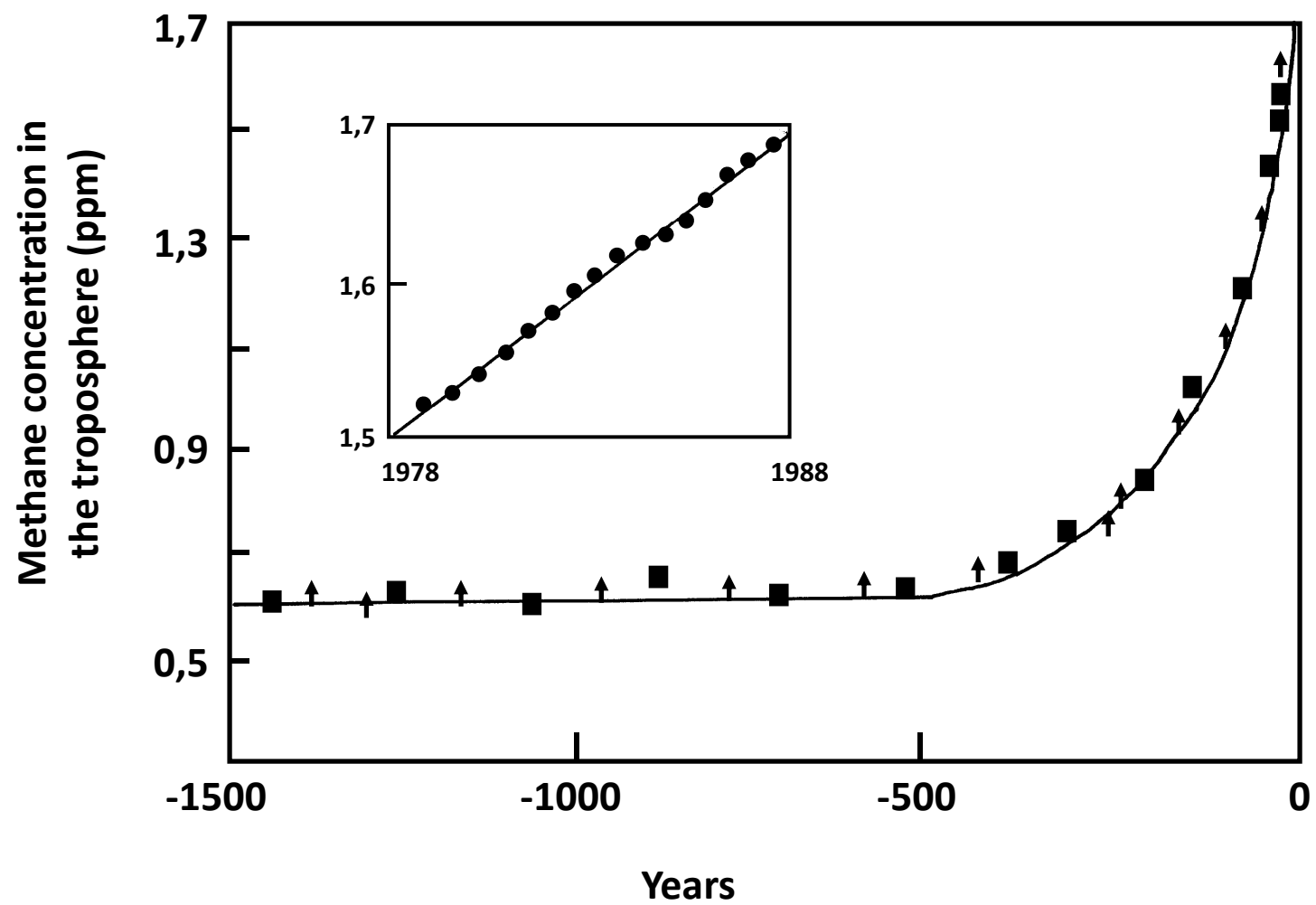


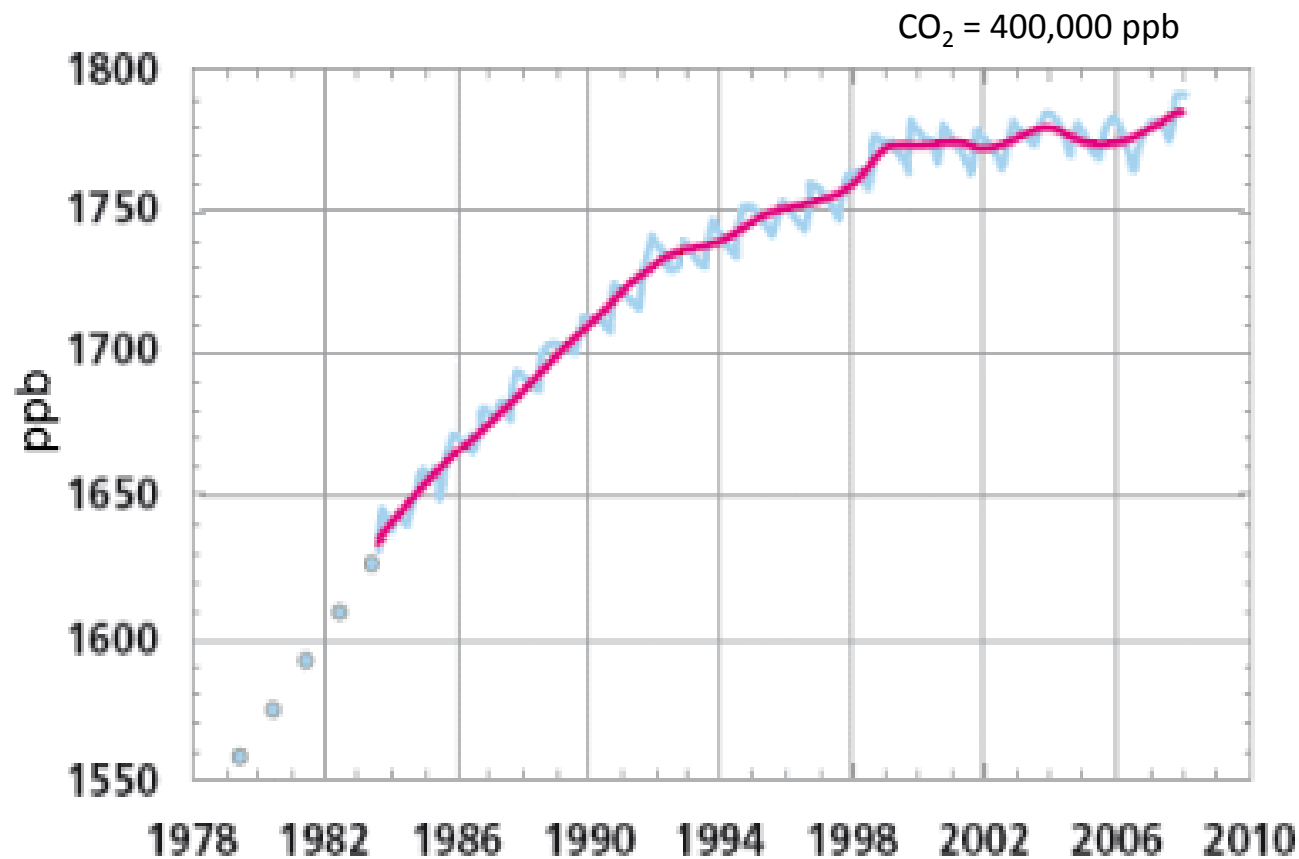
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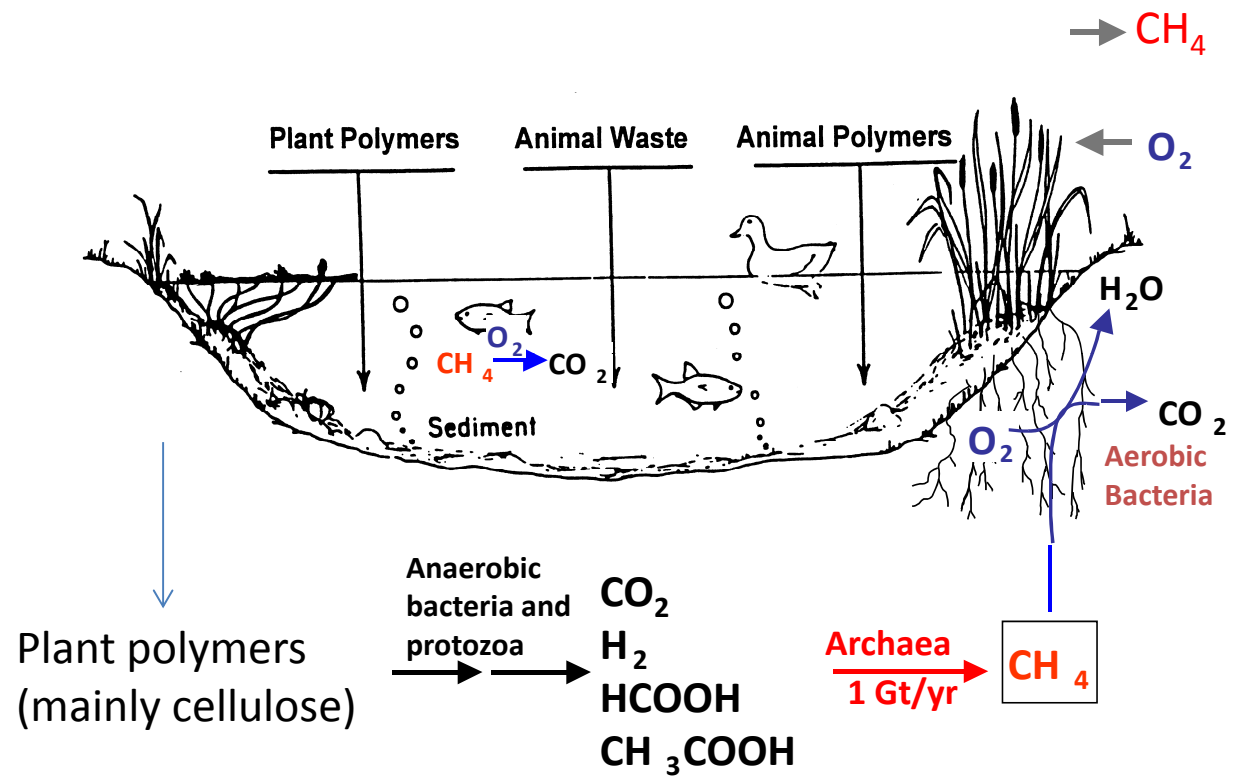


CH₄ has
25 fold higher
GHG potential
than CO₂

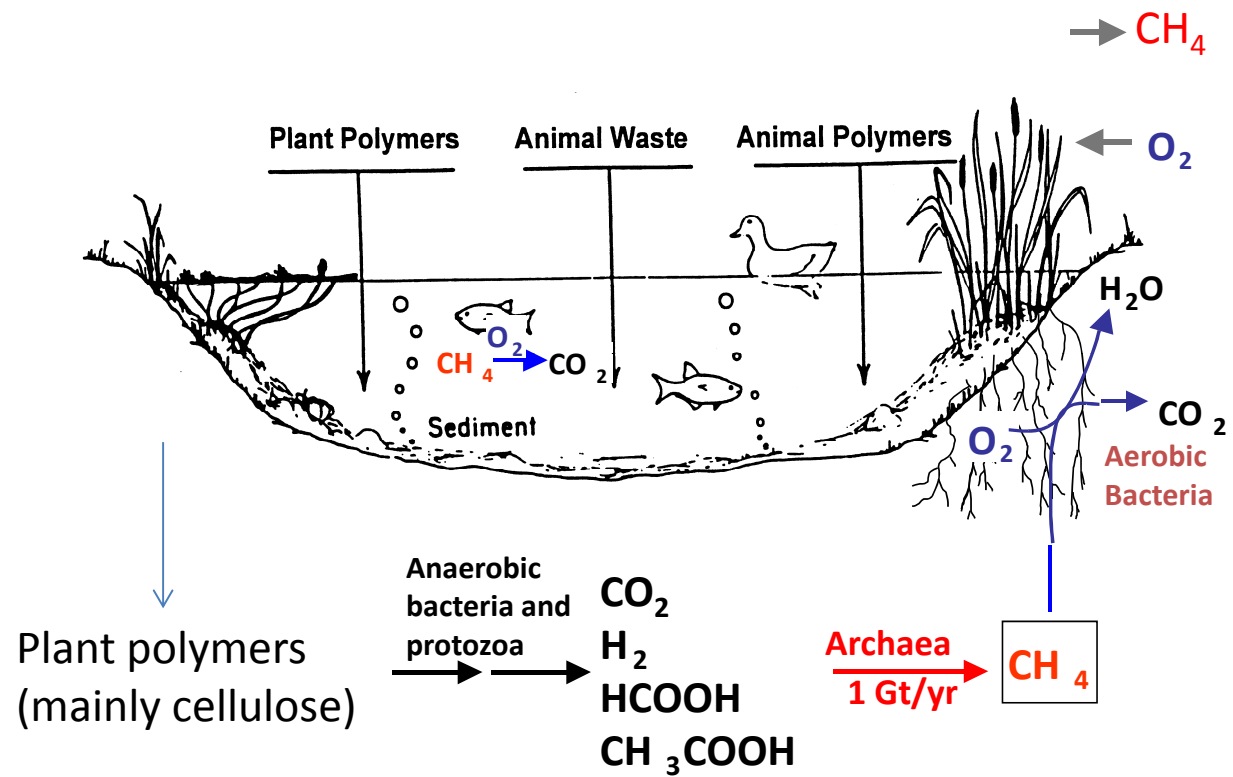
About 50% of
European CH₄
emissions are
from
agriculture

Increase of the methane concentration in the atmosphere since 1979.

Synthesis Report Climate Change: Global Risks,
Challenges & Decisions. Copenhagen 2009, 10-12 March.

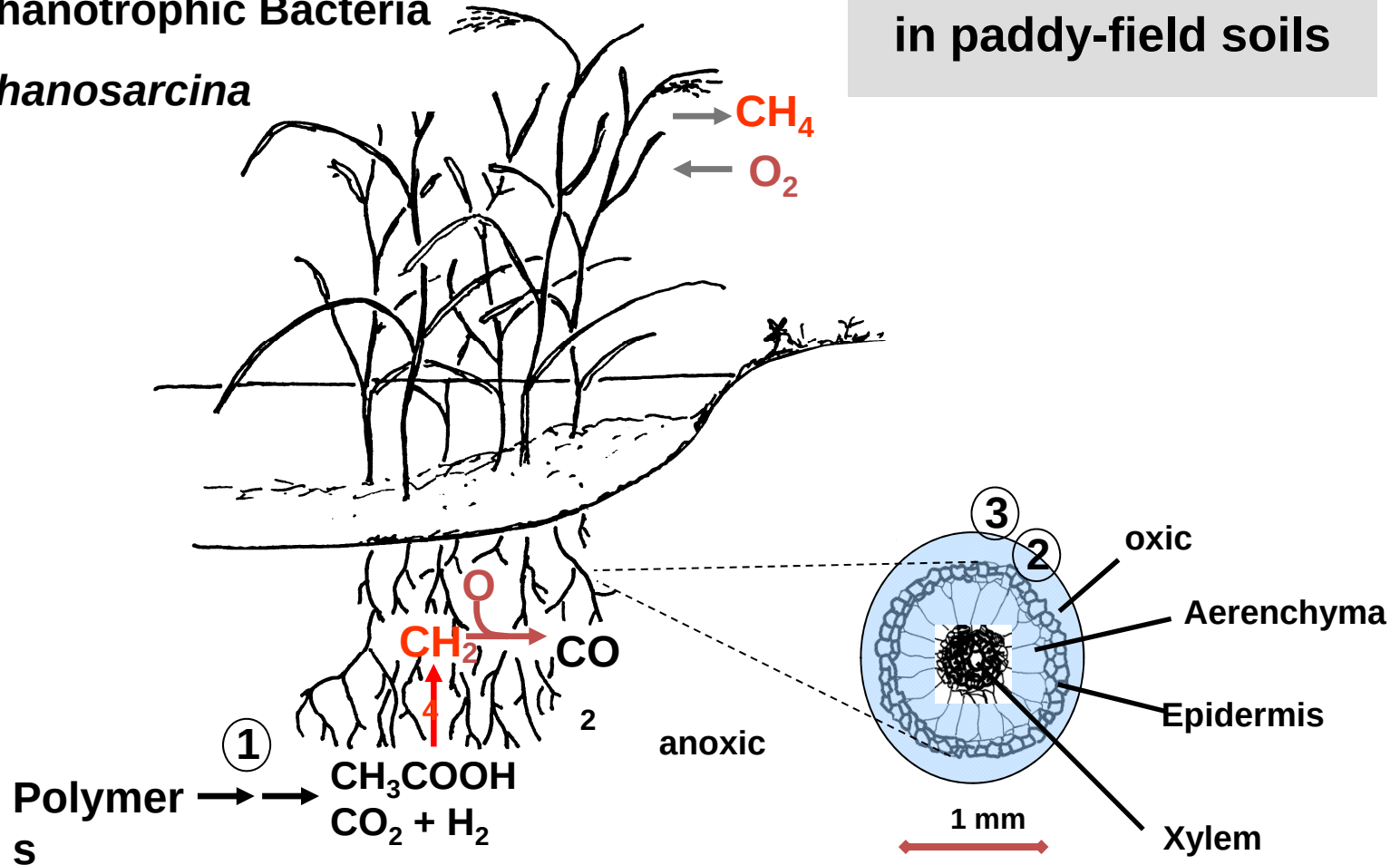




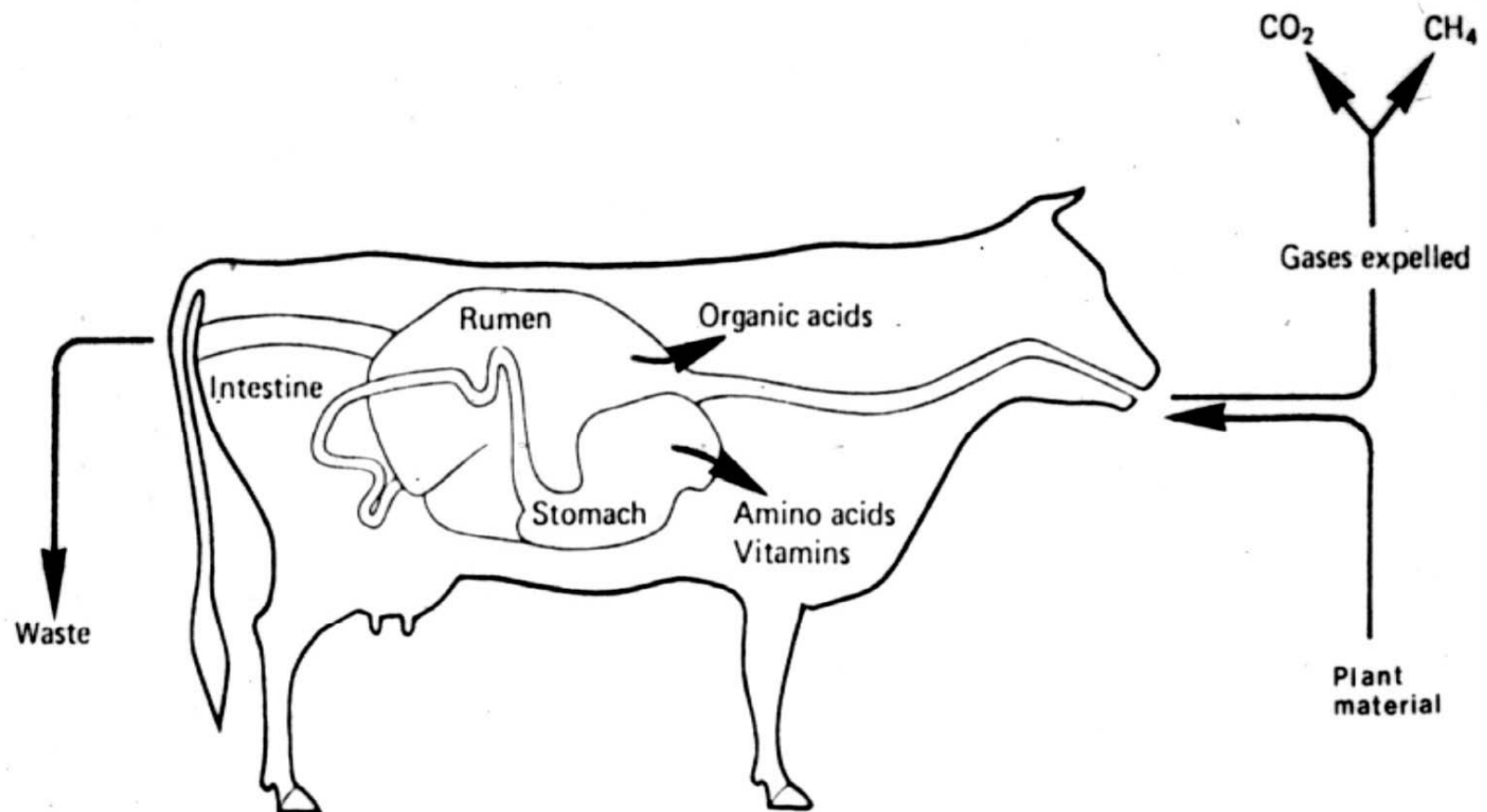


- ① Anaerobic Bacteria and Protozoa
- ② Methanotrophic Bacteria
- ③ *Methanosarcina*

Methane formation and oxidation in paddy-field soils

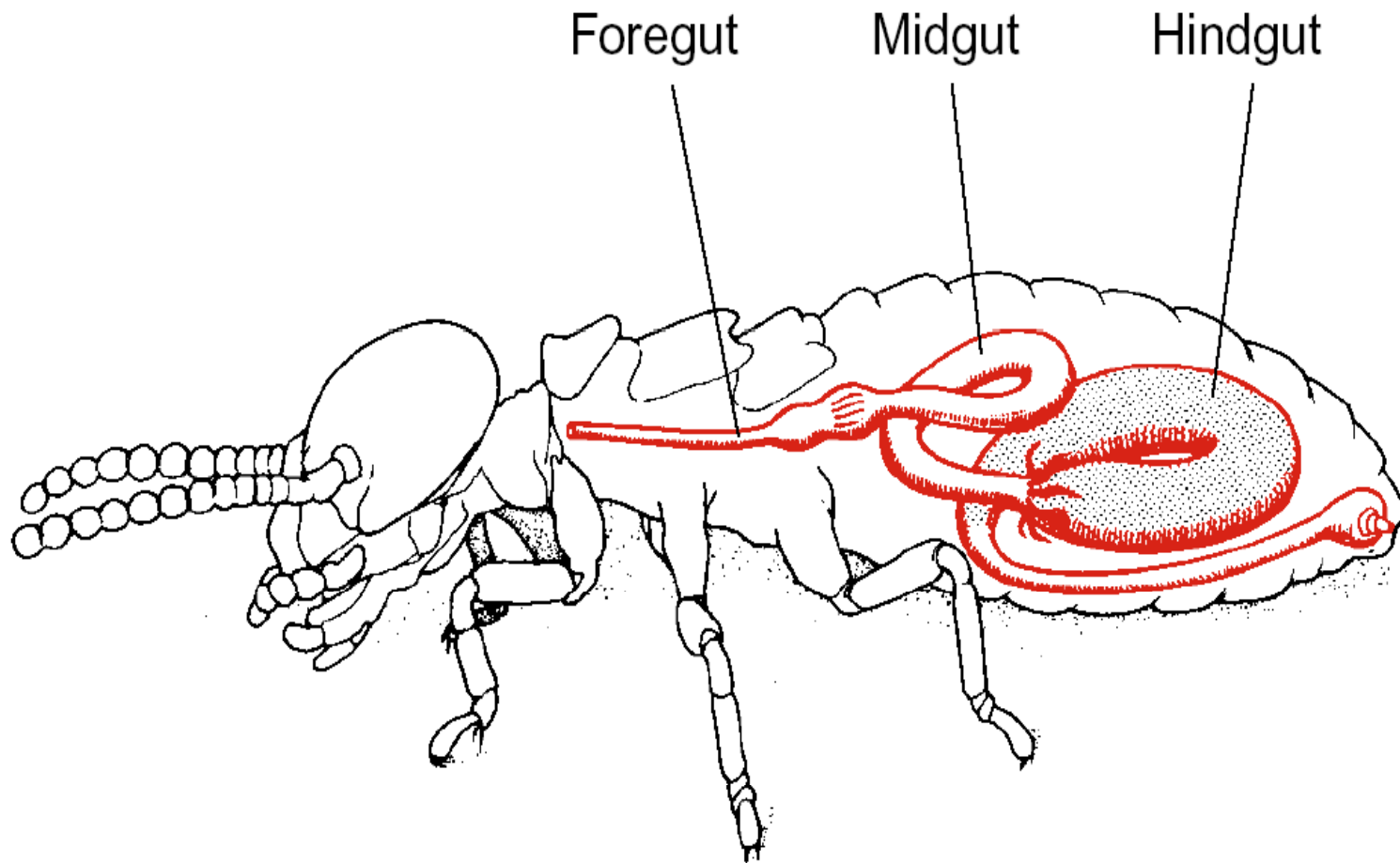


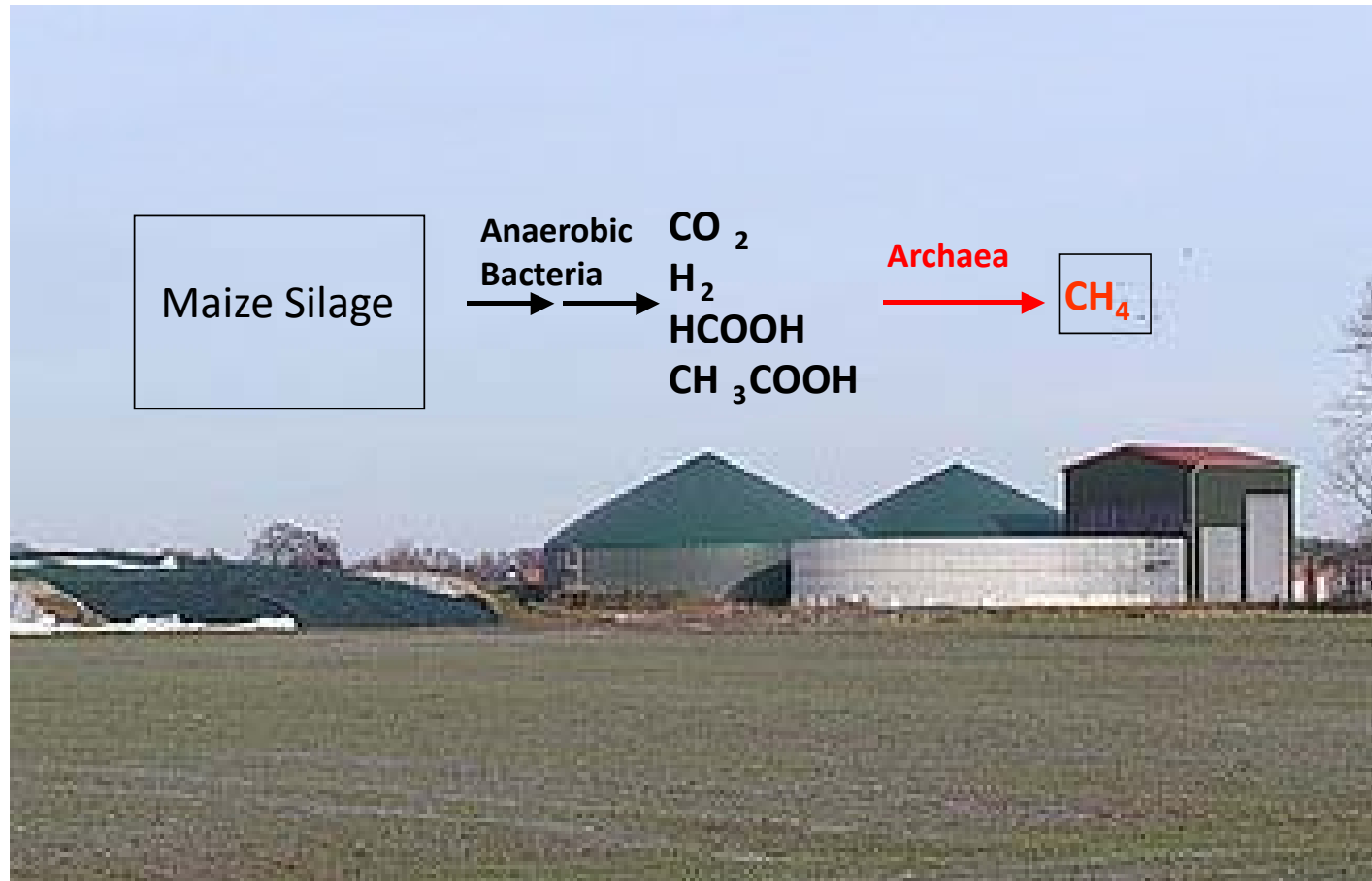
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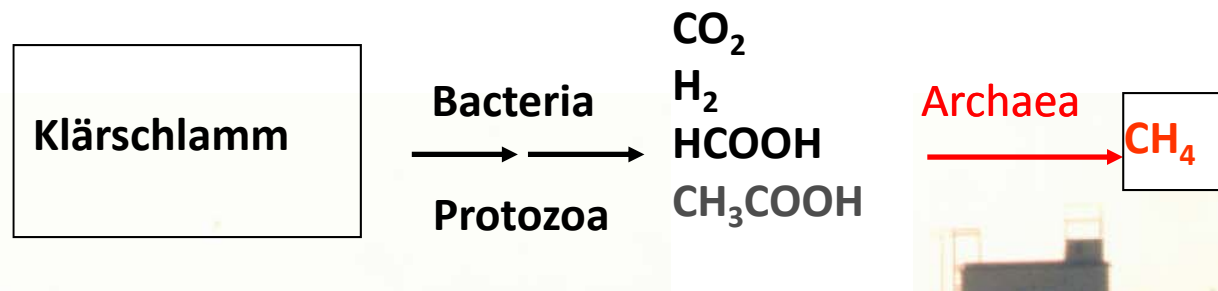


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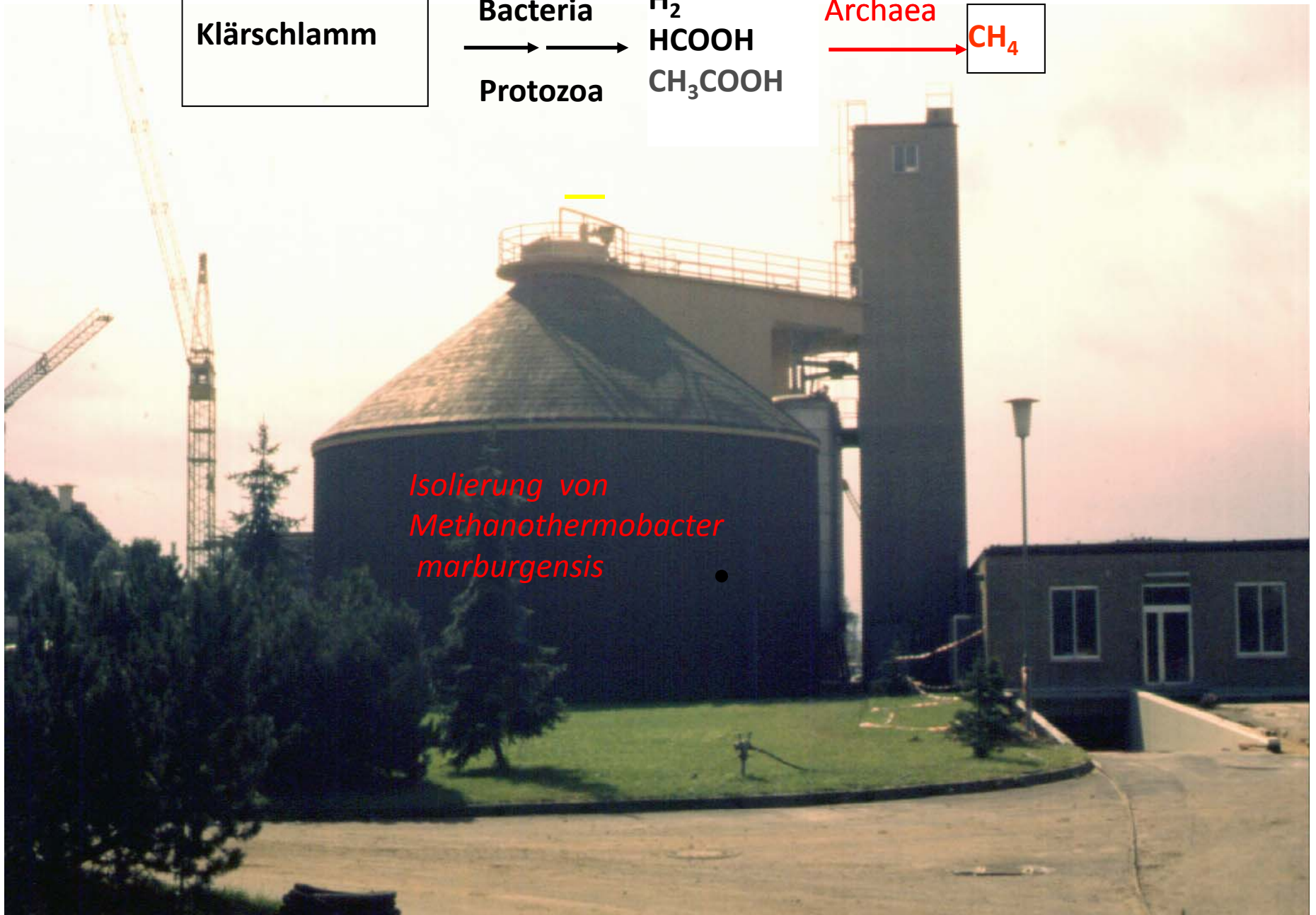




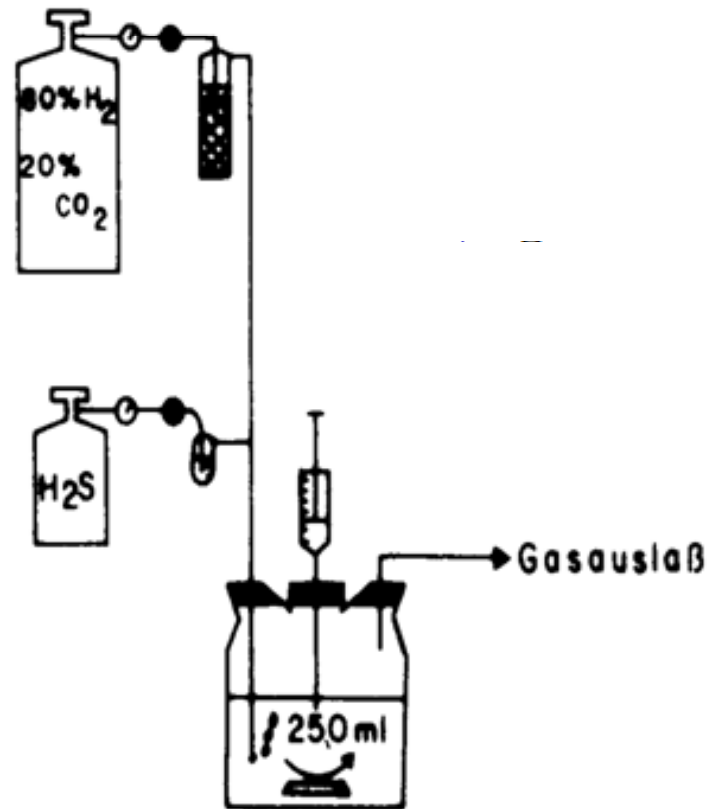
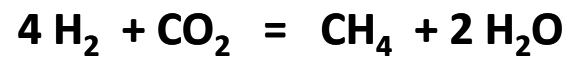




*Isolierung von
Methanothermobacter
marburgensis*

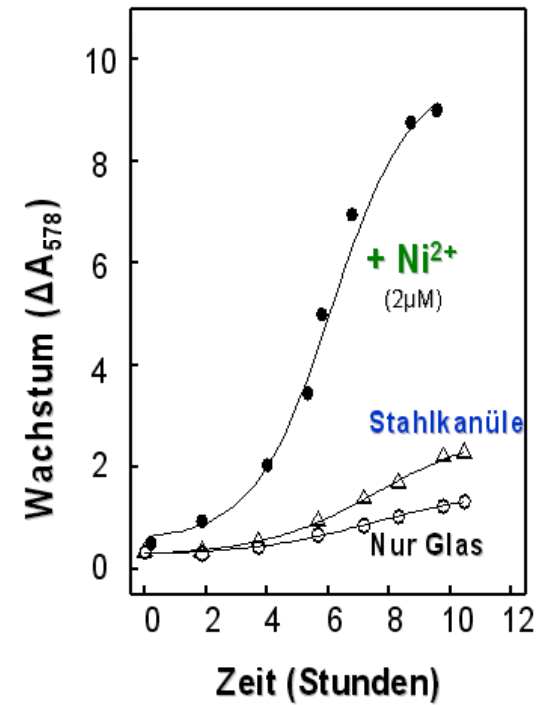
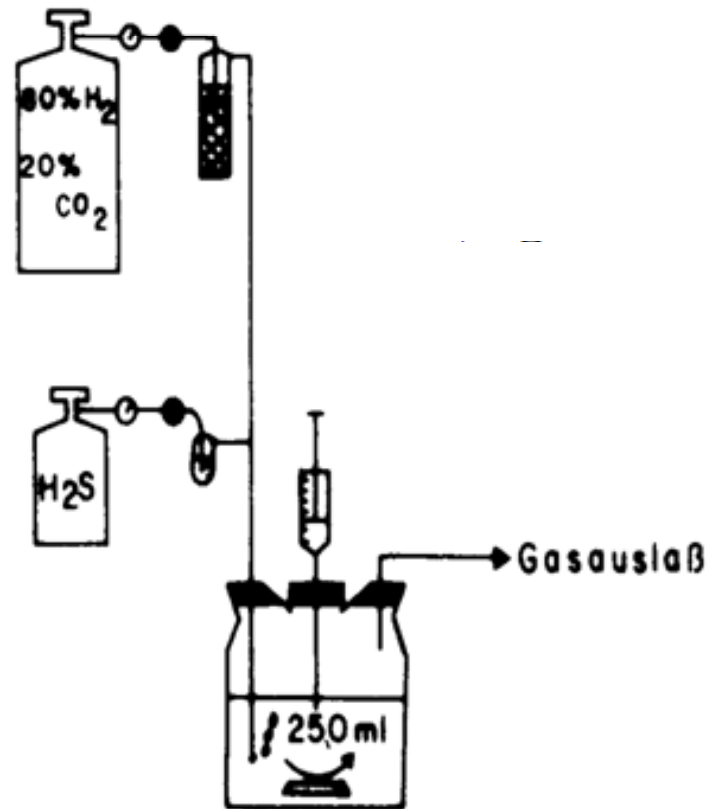
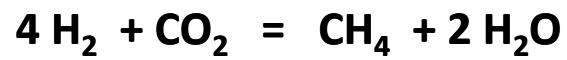


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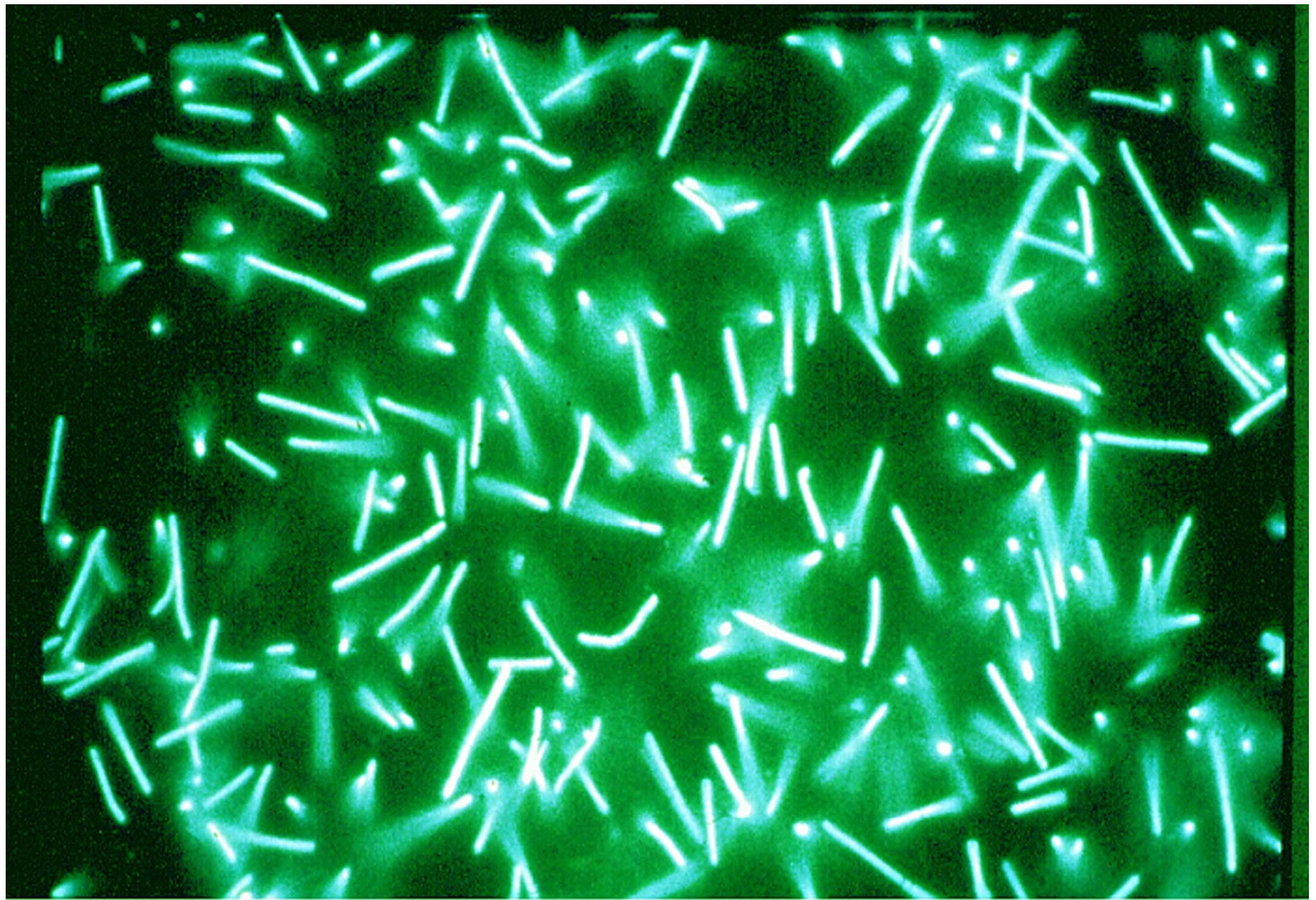


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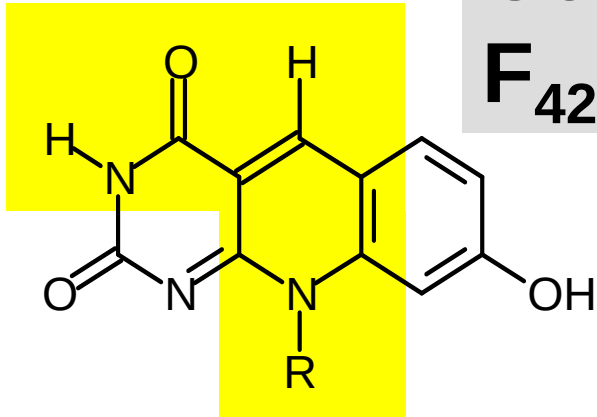


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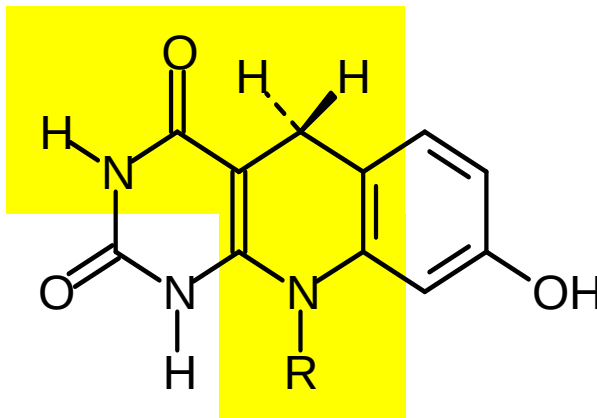
Coenzyme

F₄₂₀



Oxidized form

$E^{0'} = -360 \text{ mV}$



Reduced form

L. Eirich, E. Vogels, R. Wolfe
(1978)

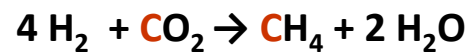
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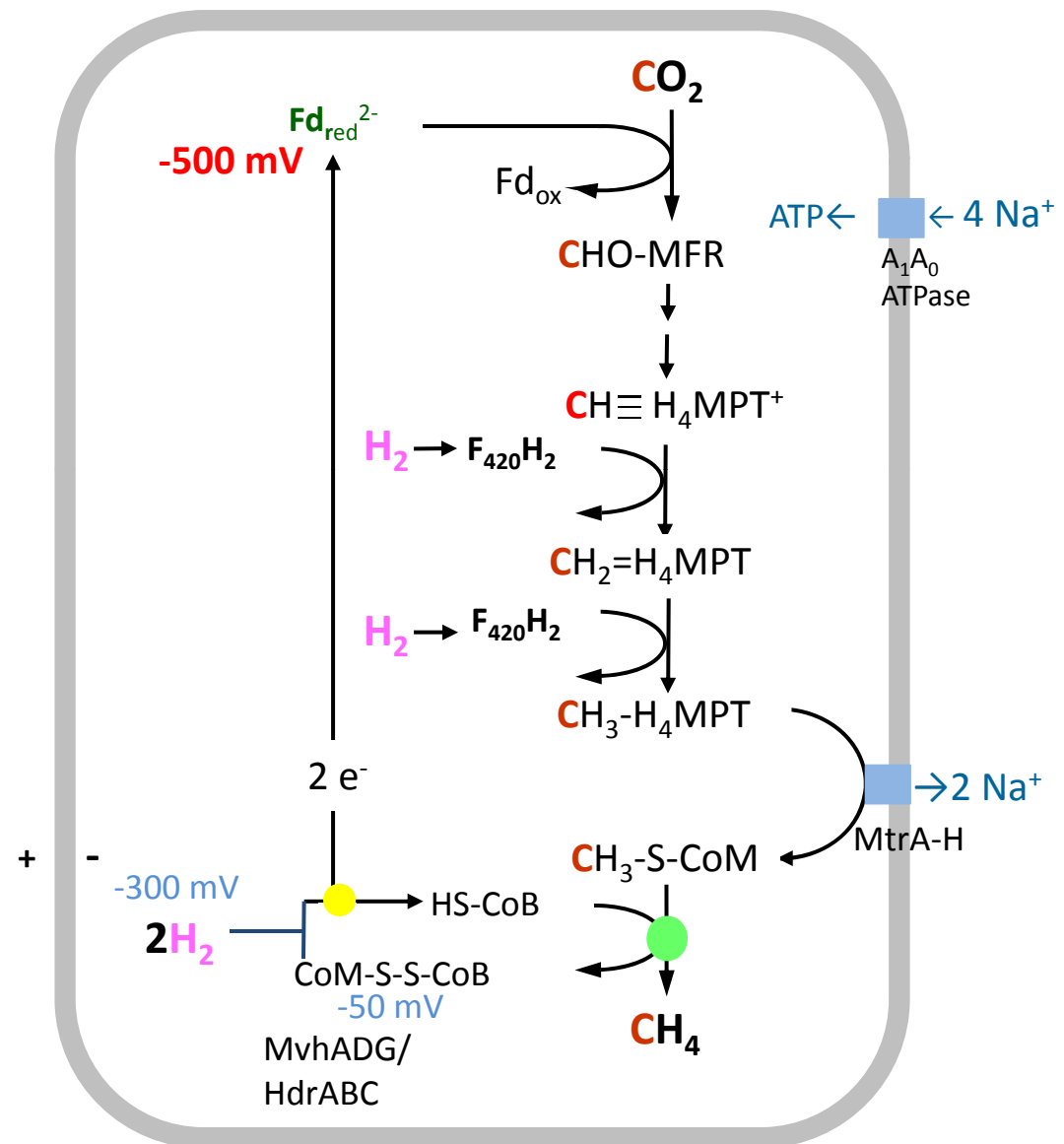
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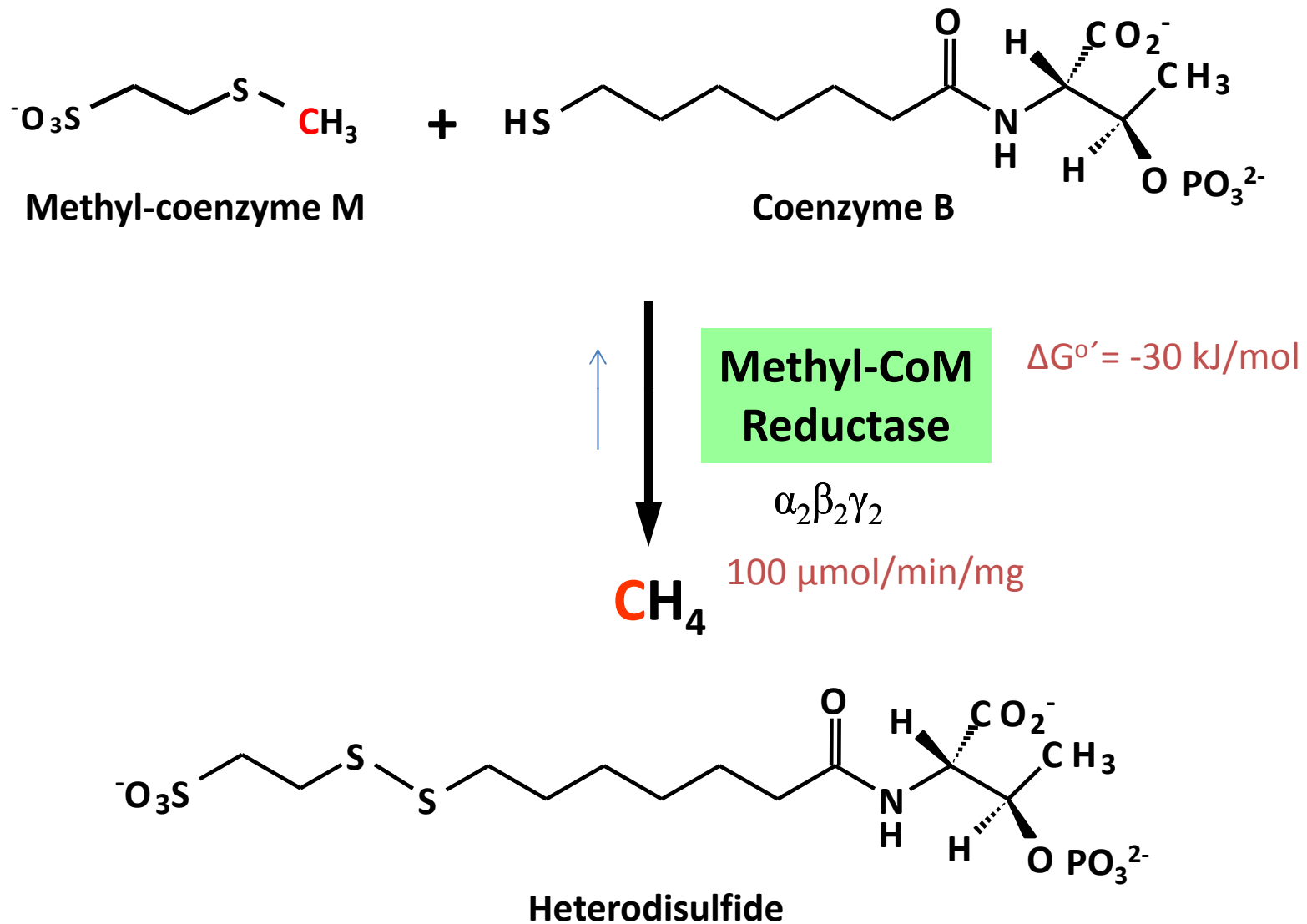
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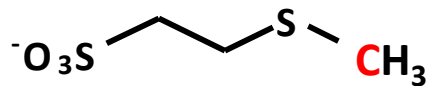
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(Kaster, Thauer et al. 2011, PNAS)

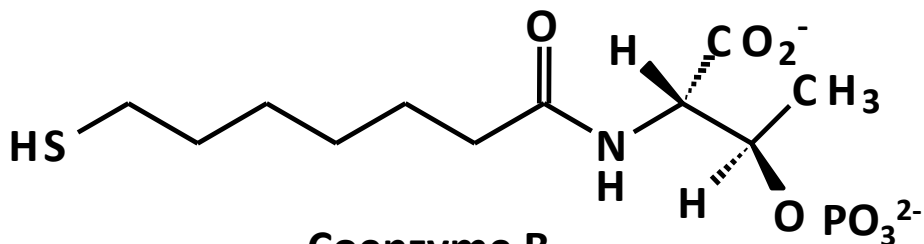




Ellermann, Thauer et al. (1986)



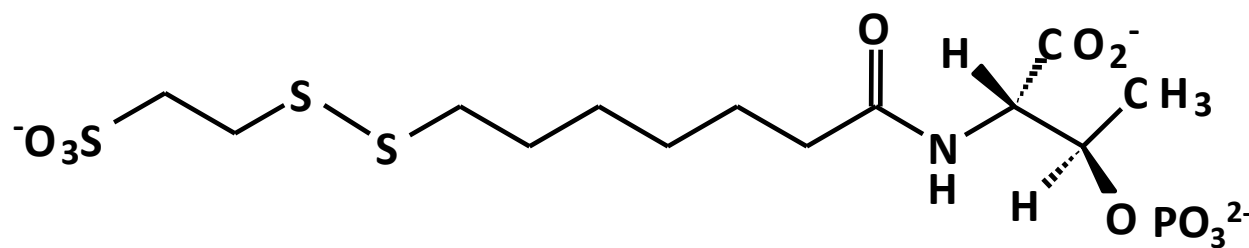
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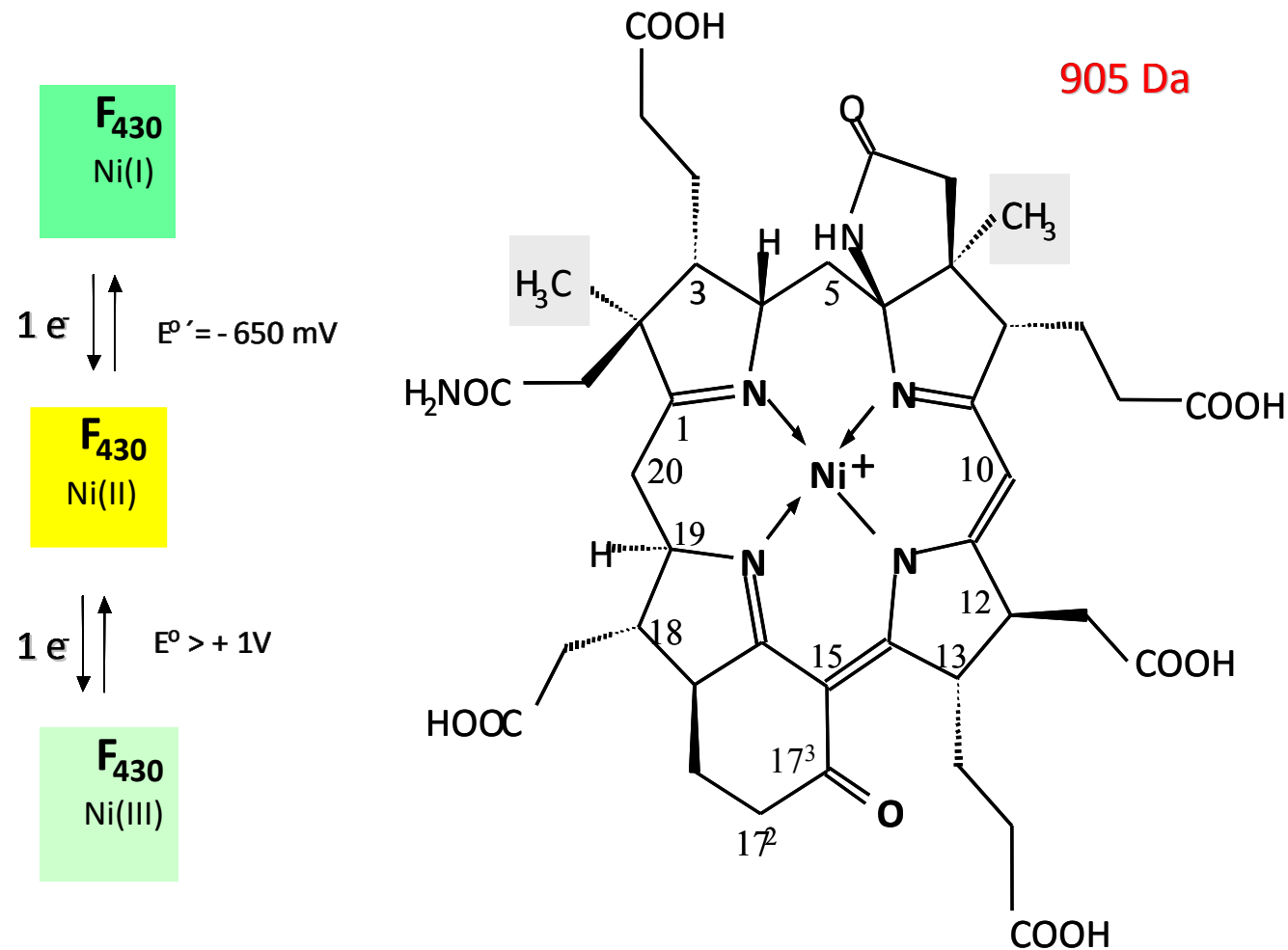
Coenzyme B


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$$\alpha_2\beta_2\gamma_2$$

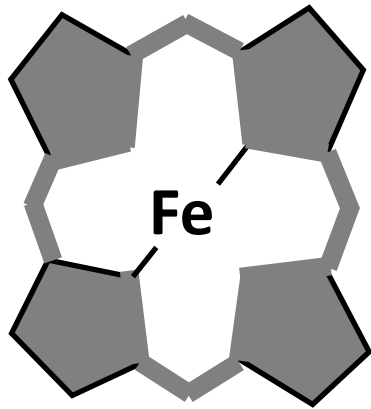
100 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}/\text{mg}$



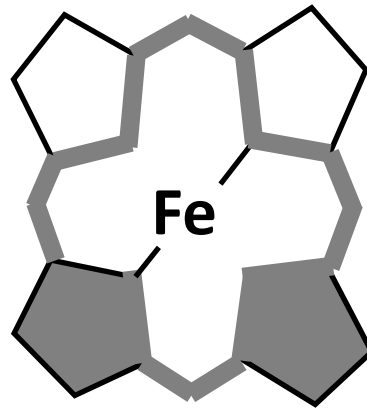
Prosthetic group of methyl-coenzyme M reductase



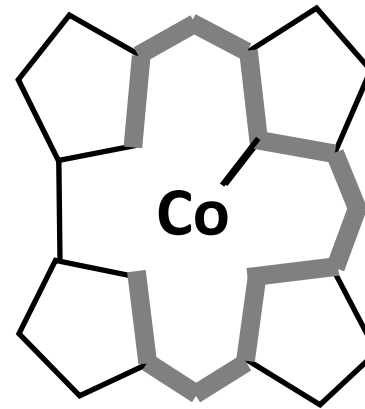
Pfalz, Jaun, Thauer, Eschenmoser et al. (1983)



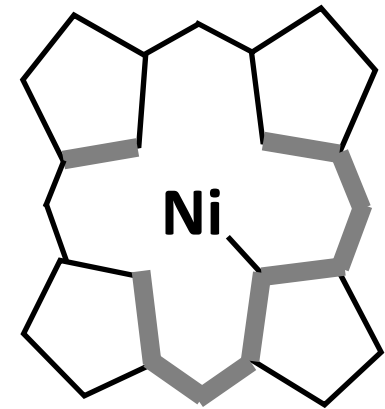
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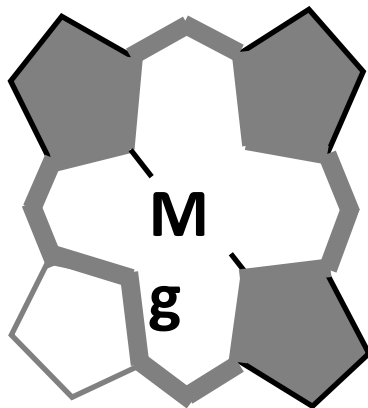
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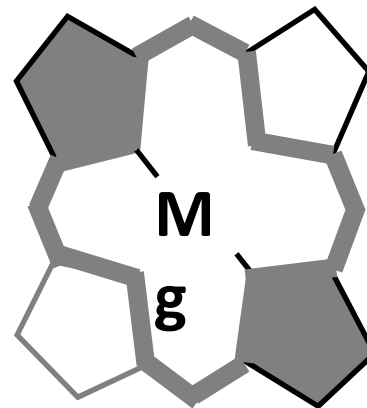
B₁₂



F₄₃₀

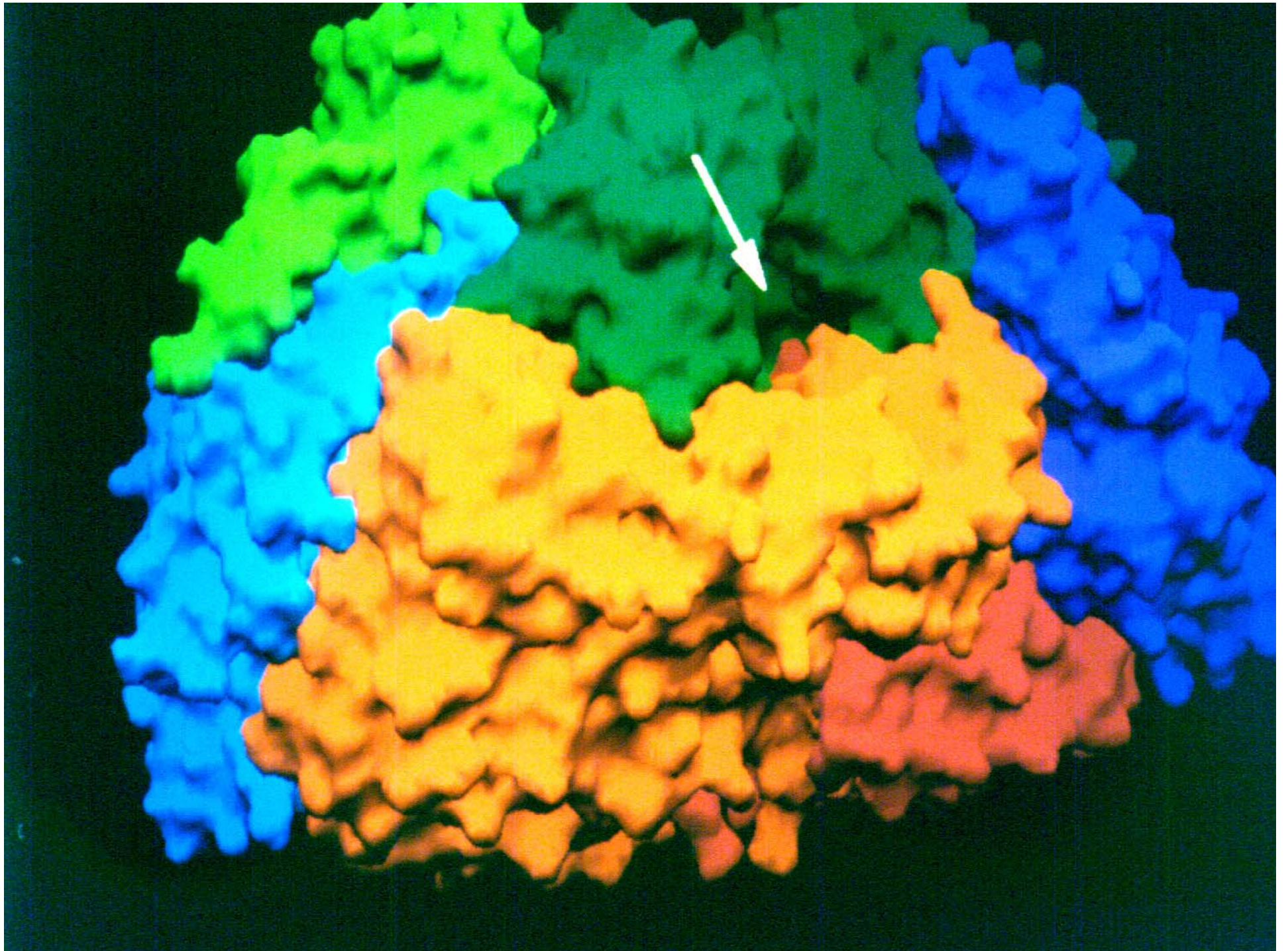


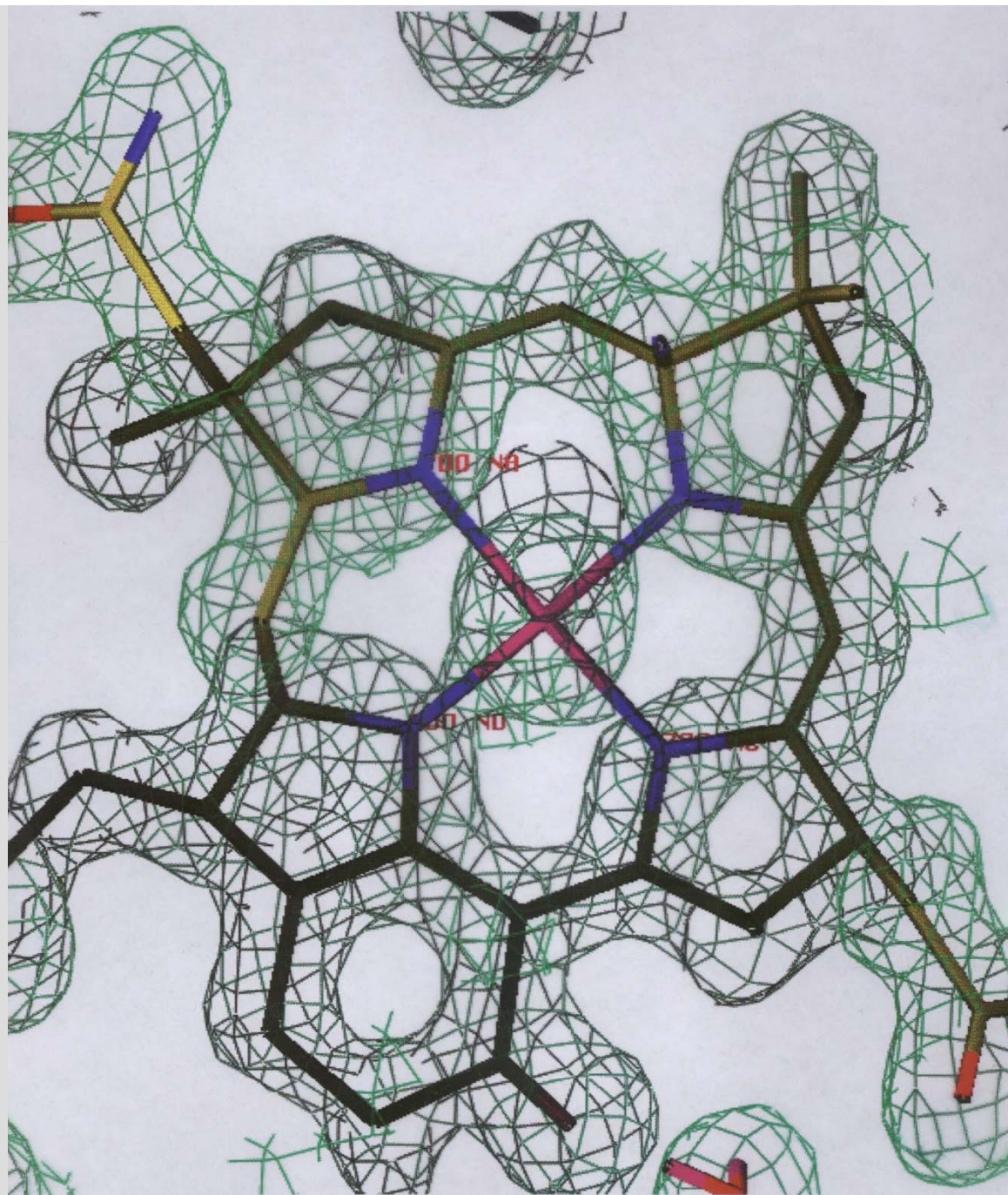
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Bakteriochlorophyll

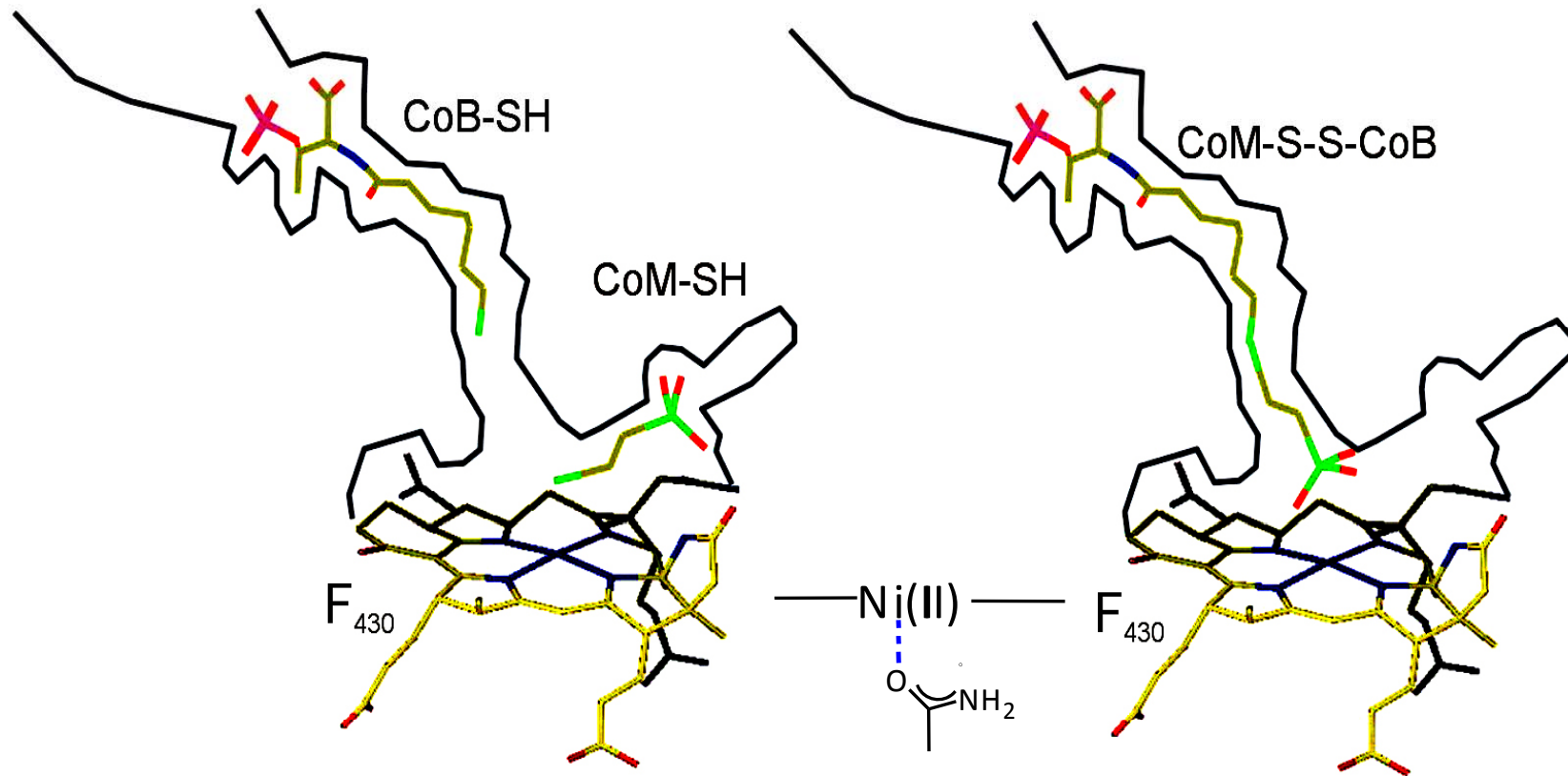
Eschenmoser (1988)





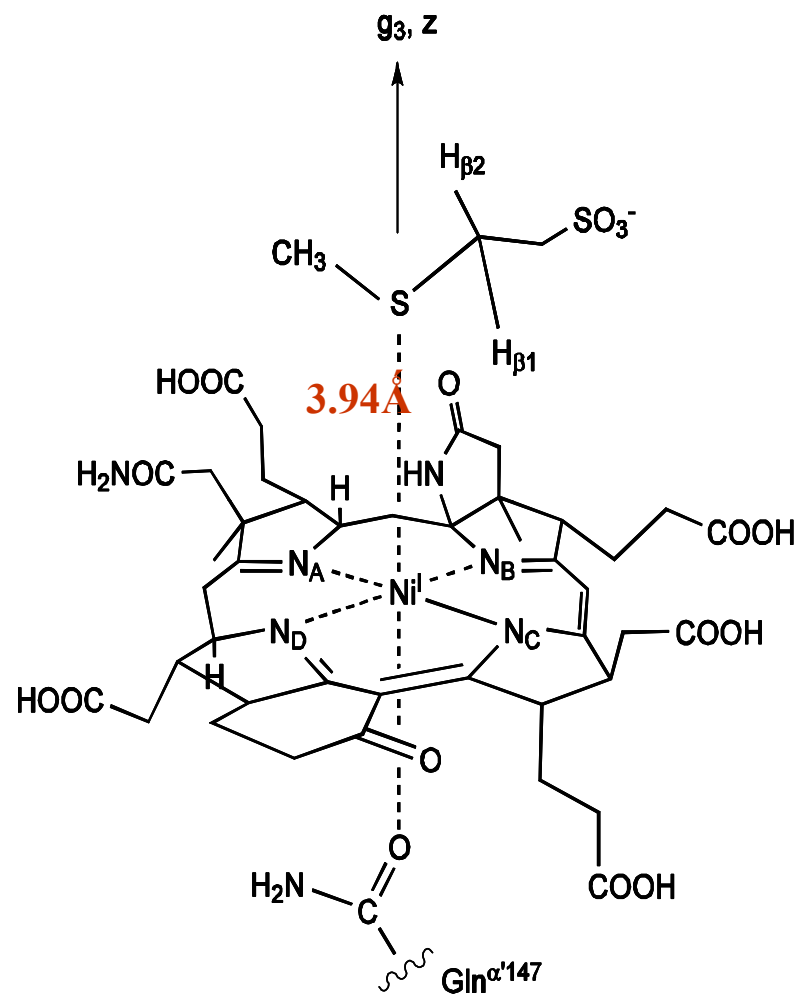
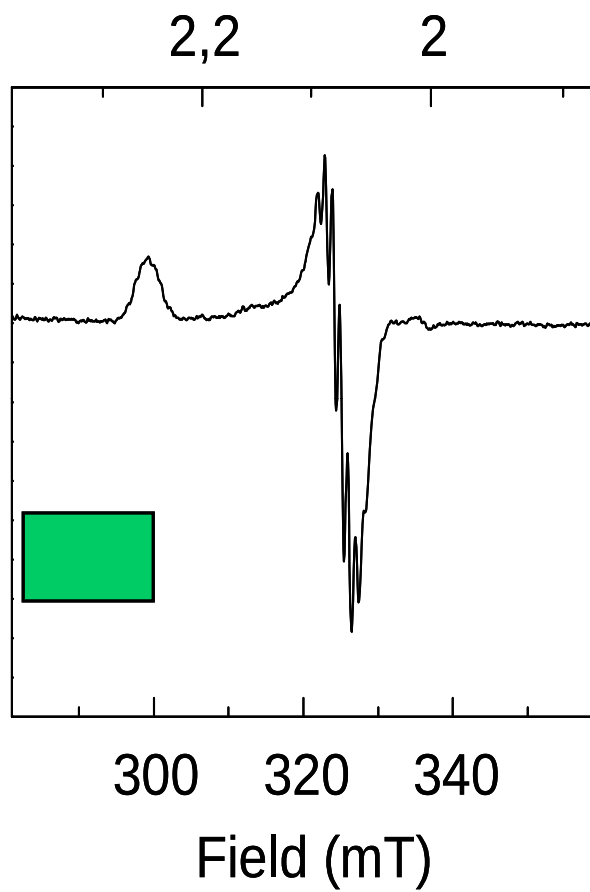
Electron density of F₄₃₀ contoured at 1 σ level

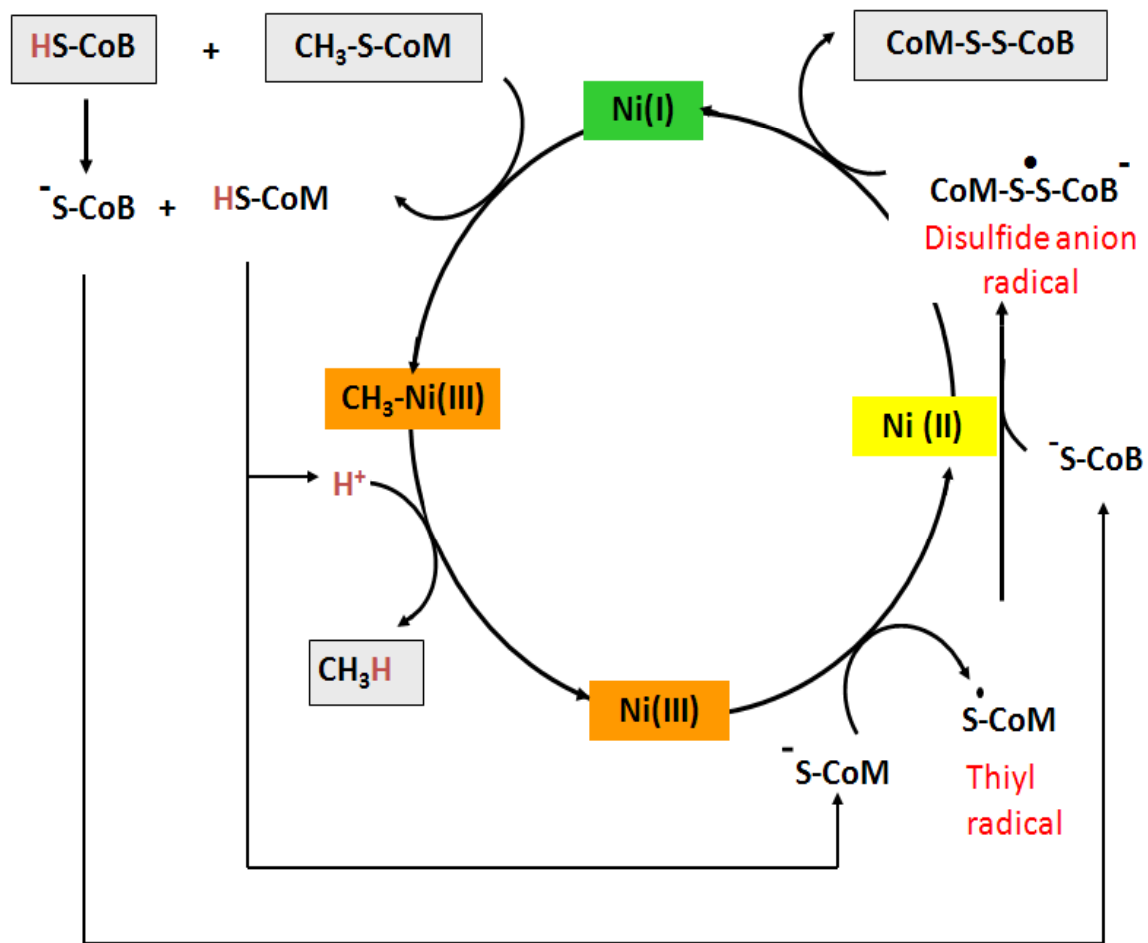
Structures of MCR in two inactive
(Ni²⁺)MCR forms at 1.16 Å resolution



The active site is completely hydrophobic;
Five postranslational modifications

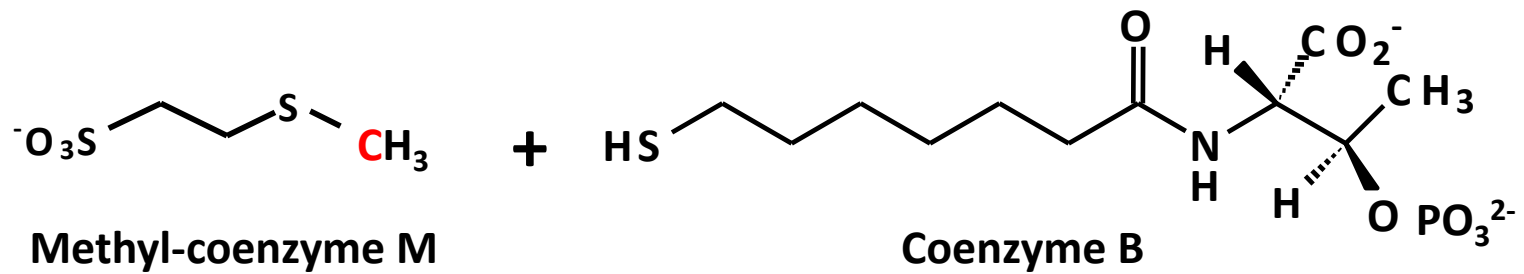
MCRred1 + CH₃-S-CoM



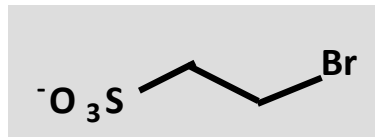


Scheller, Thauer, Jaun et al. (2013 a and b)
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Mechanism 1



MCR is inactivated by
BES



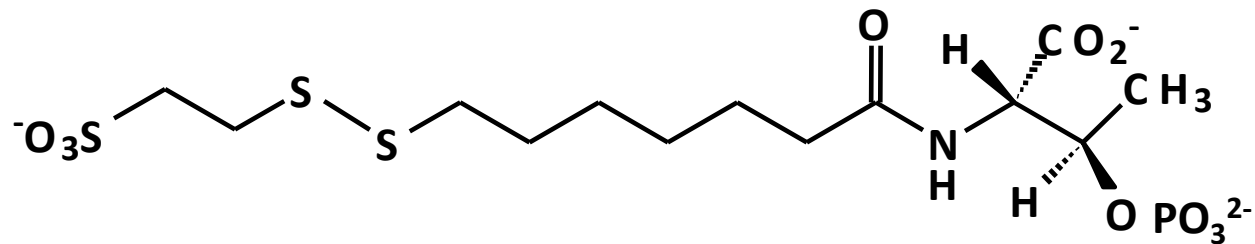
**Methyl-CoM
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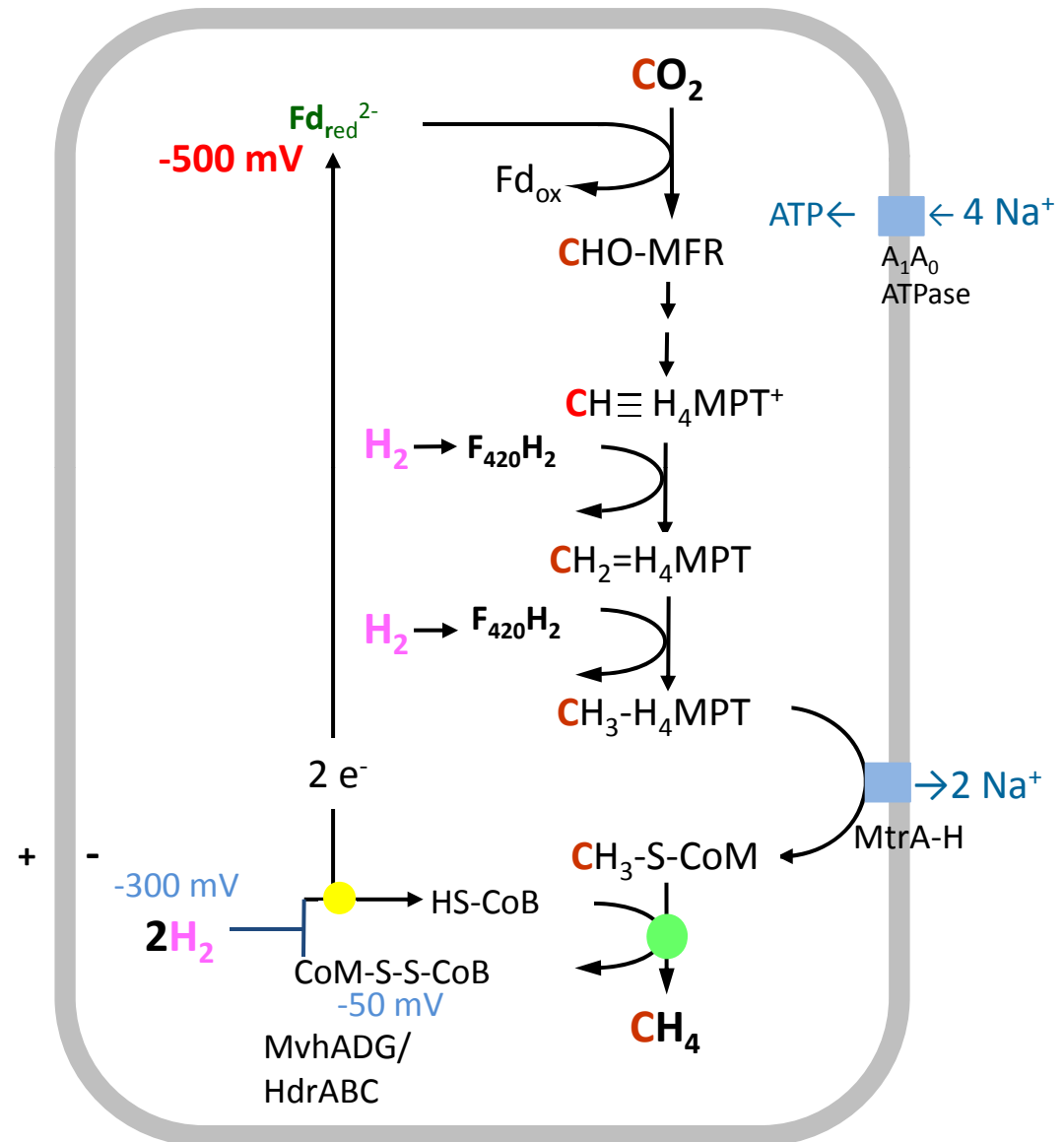
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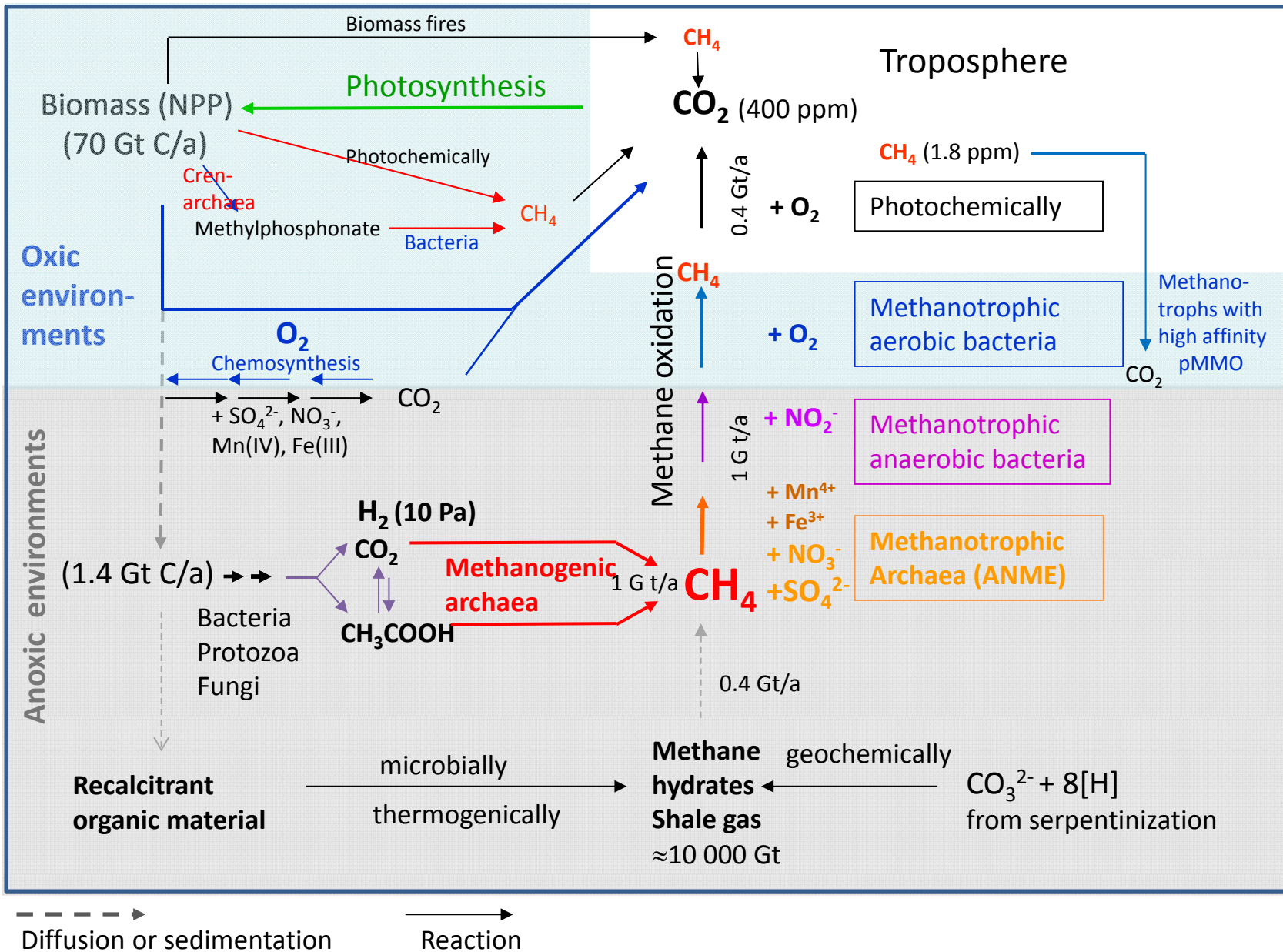
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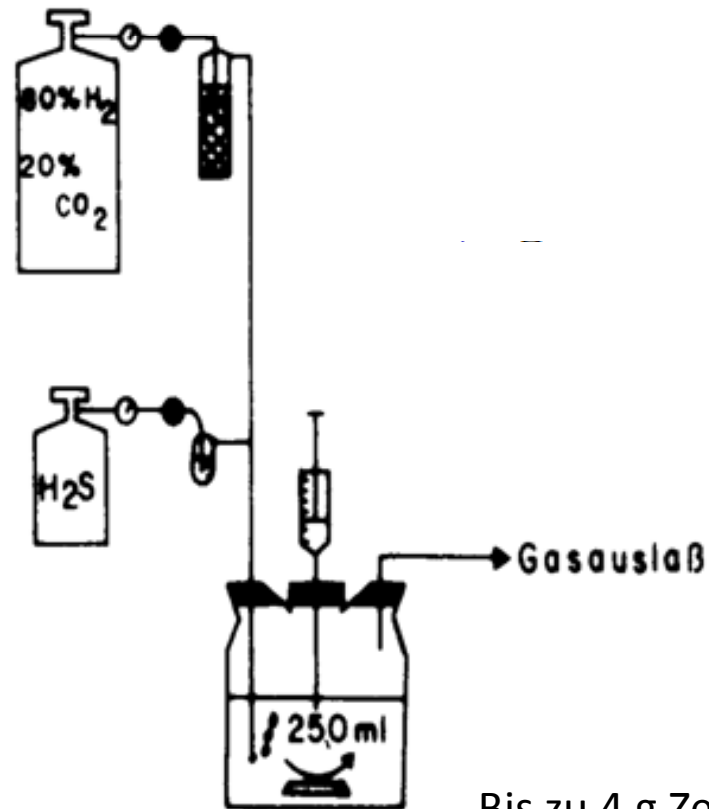
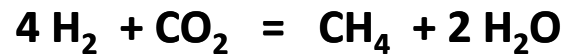
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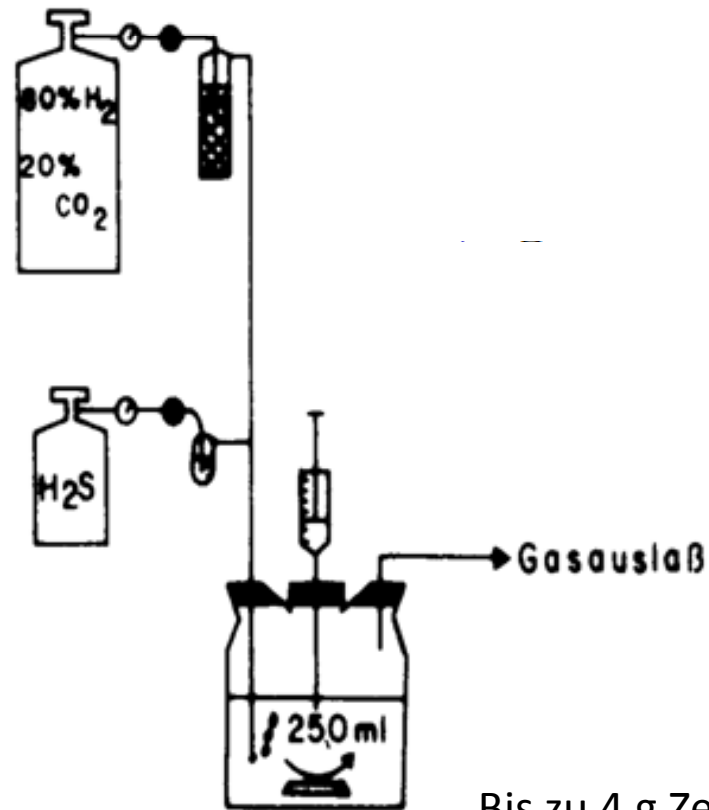
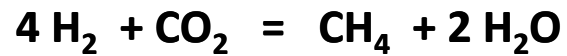


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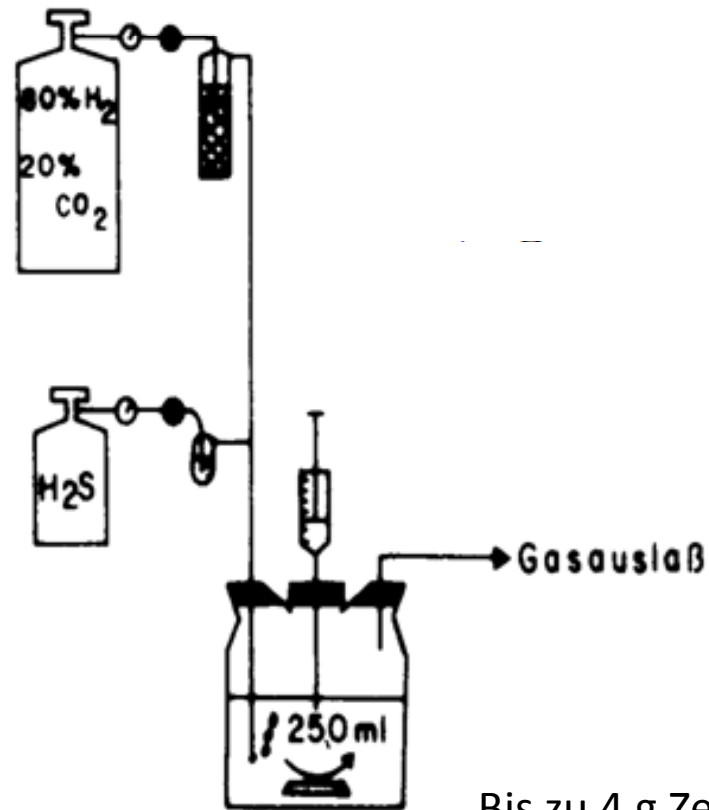
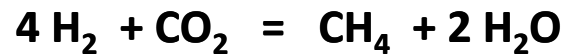
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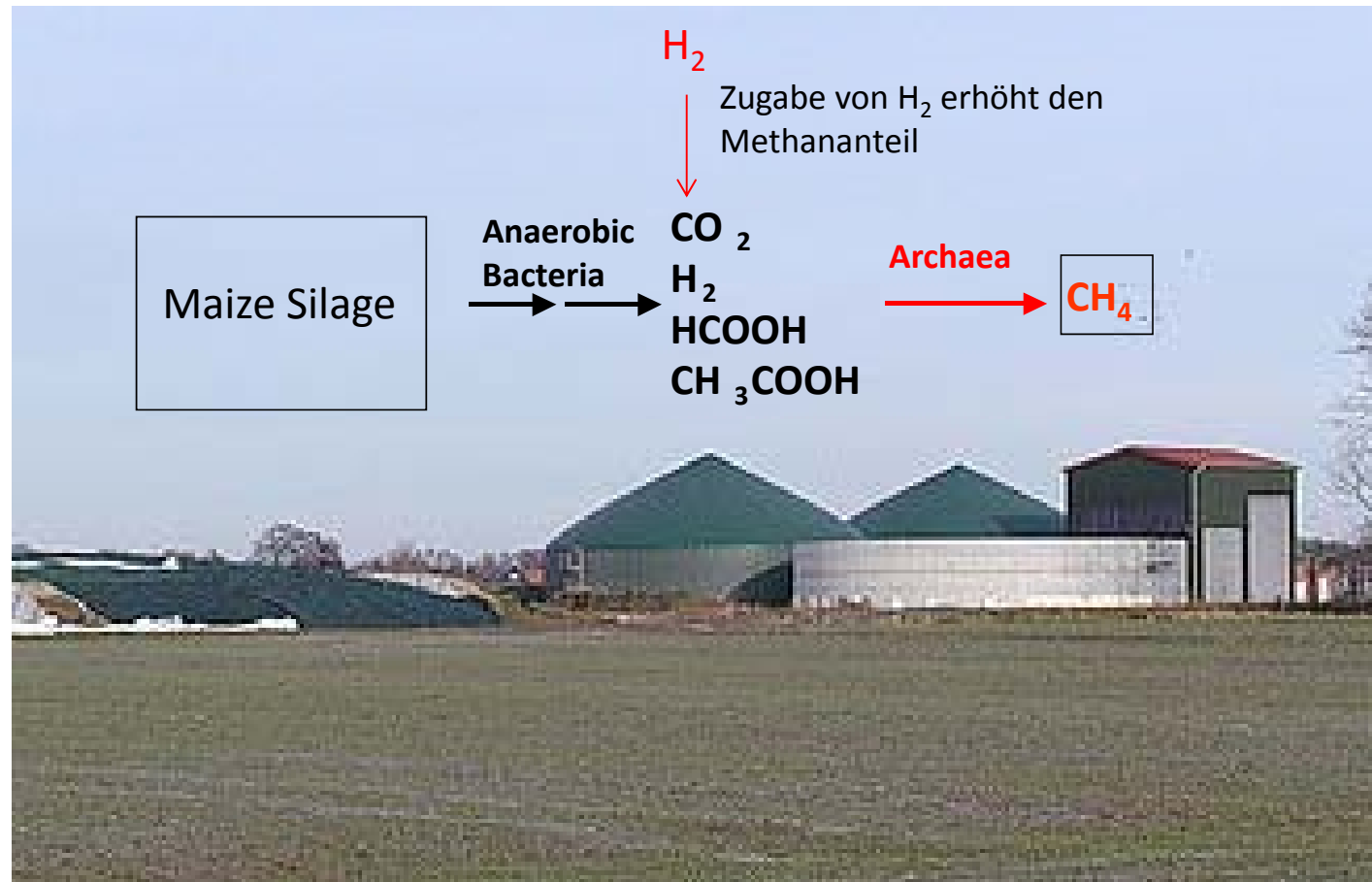
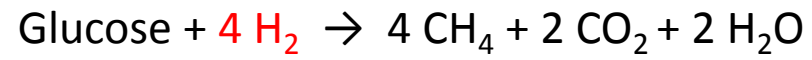
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Electron bifurcation

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