

# *Petroleum and Natural Gas Life-Cycle Analysis: Issues, Results, and Case Simulation:*

**Jeongwoo Han**

Systems Assessment Group  
Center for Transportation Research  
Argonne National Laboratory

**GREET Training Workshop**  
University of Chicago

May 18, 2012

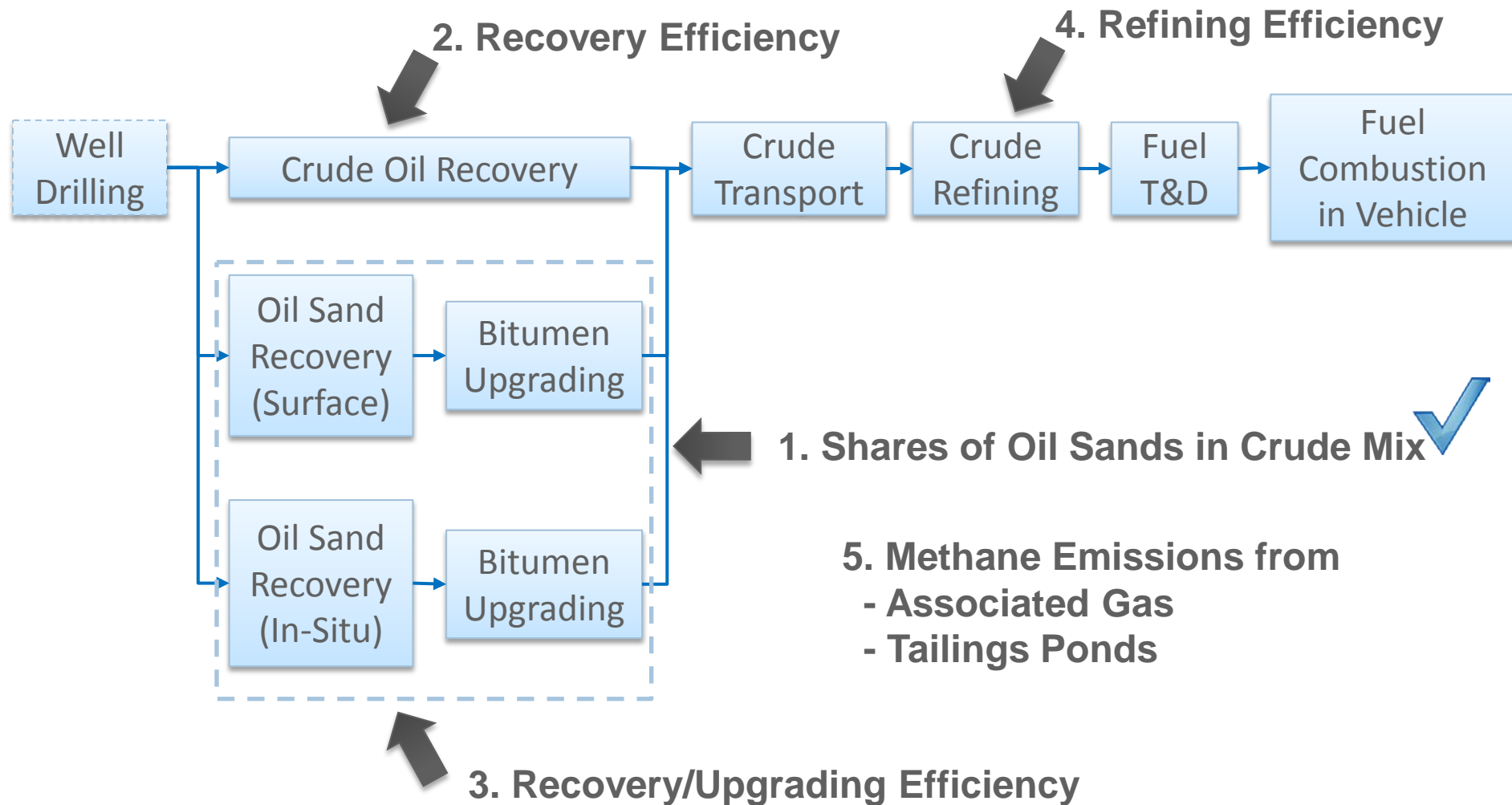


# *Supporting Documents for Petroleum and Natural Gas Pathways : Journal Article, Technical Report and Technical Memo*

1. Burnham, A., J. Han, C. E. Clark, M. Wang, J. B. Dunn, and I. Palou-Rivera. "Life-Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Shale Gas, Natural Gas, Coal, and Petroleum." *Environmental Science Technology* 46, no. 2 (2011): 619-627.  
<http://pubs.acs.org/doi/abs/10.1021/es201942m>
2. Han, J., M. Mintz, M. Wang. *Waste-to-Wheel Analysis of Anaerobic-Digestion-Based Renewable Natural Gas Pathways with the GREET Model*. Argonne, IL: Argonne National Laboratory, 2011  
<http://greet.es.anl.gov/publication-waste-to-wheel-analysis>
3. Palou-Rivera, I., J. Han and M. Wang. *Updated Estimation of Energy Efficiencies of U.S. Petroleum Refineries*. Argonne, IL: Argonne National Laboratory, 2011.  
<http://greet.es.anl.gov/publication-petroleum>



# System Boundary and Key Parameters of Petroleum Pathways



# *System Boundary and Key Parameters of Natural Gas Pathways*



- Share of conventional and shale gas in the U.S. NG mix
  - Methane emissions from
    - Well completion and workover
    - Liquid unloading
    - Well equipment
    - NG transmission and distribution
  - NG recovery efficiency
  - NG processing efficiency



# Significant Uncertainty in Methane Emissions

## Key Parameters on per-well-basis

Uncontrolled methane emissions from well completion, workover and liquid unloading



Estimated ultimate recovery (EUR)

Occurrence during well lifetime

% of vented CH<sub>4</sub> after recovery and flaring



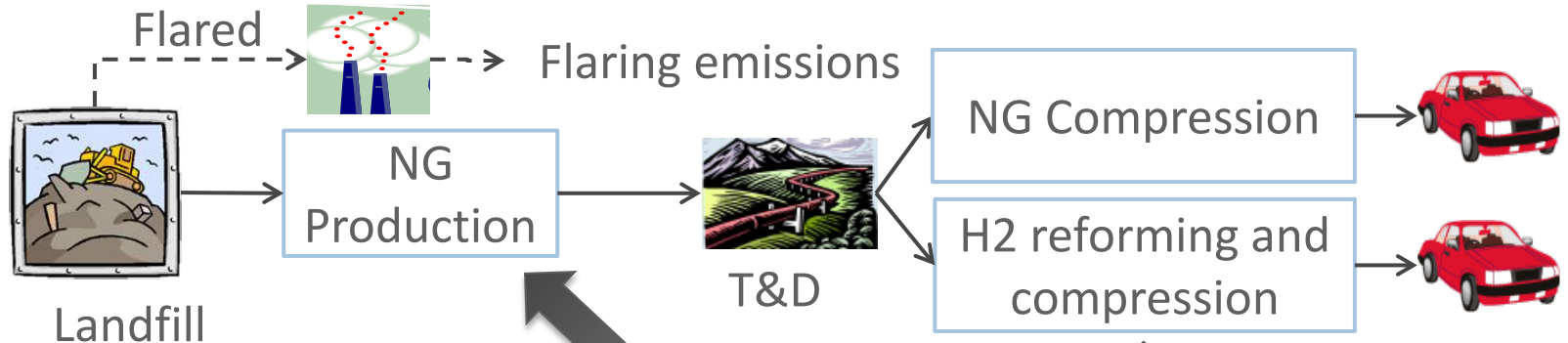
## Key Parameters on per-mmBtu-basis

Controlled methane emissions from well completion, workover and liquid unloading



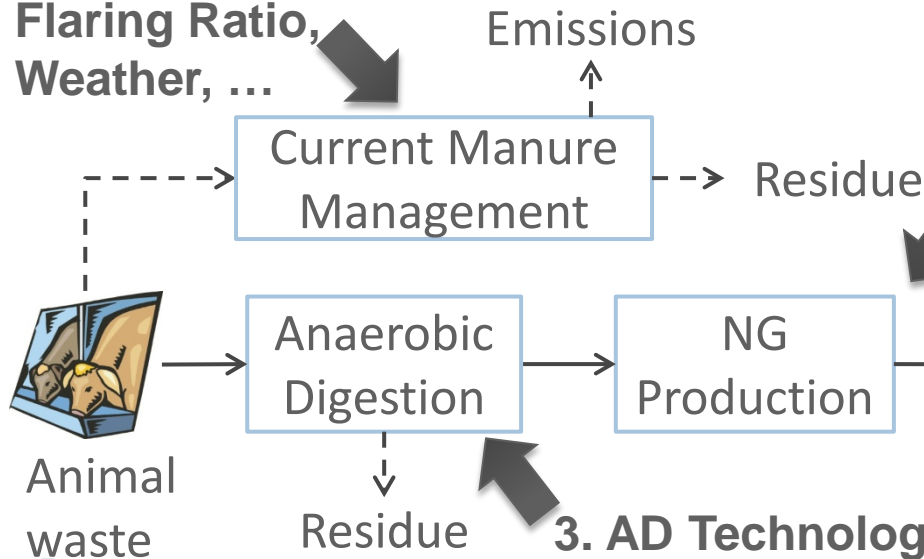
# Argonne has Examined Renewable Natural Gas From Landfills and Anaerobic Digesters

(RNG-based CNG and gaseous  $H_2$  shown as example)



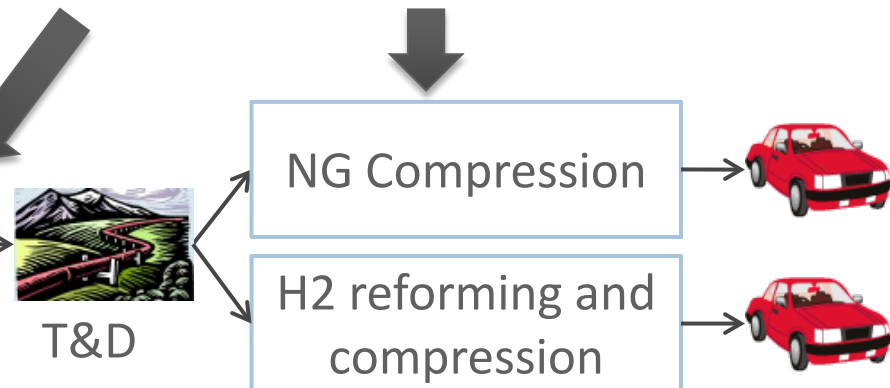
## 2. Current Practice

Flaring Ratio,  
Weather, ...



## 1. Process/Compression Efficiencies

## 1. Process/Compression Efficiencies



## 3. AD Technology



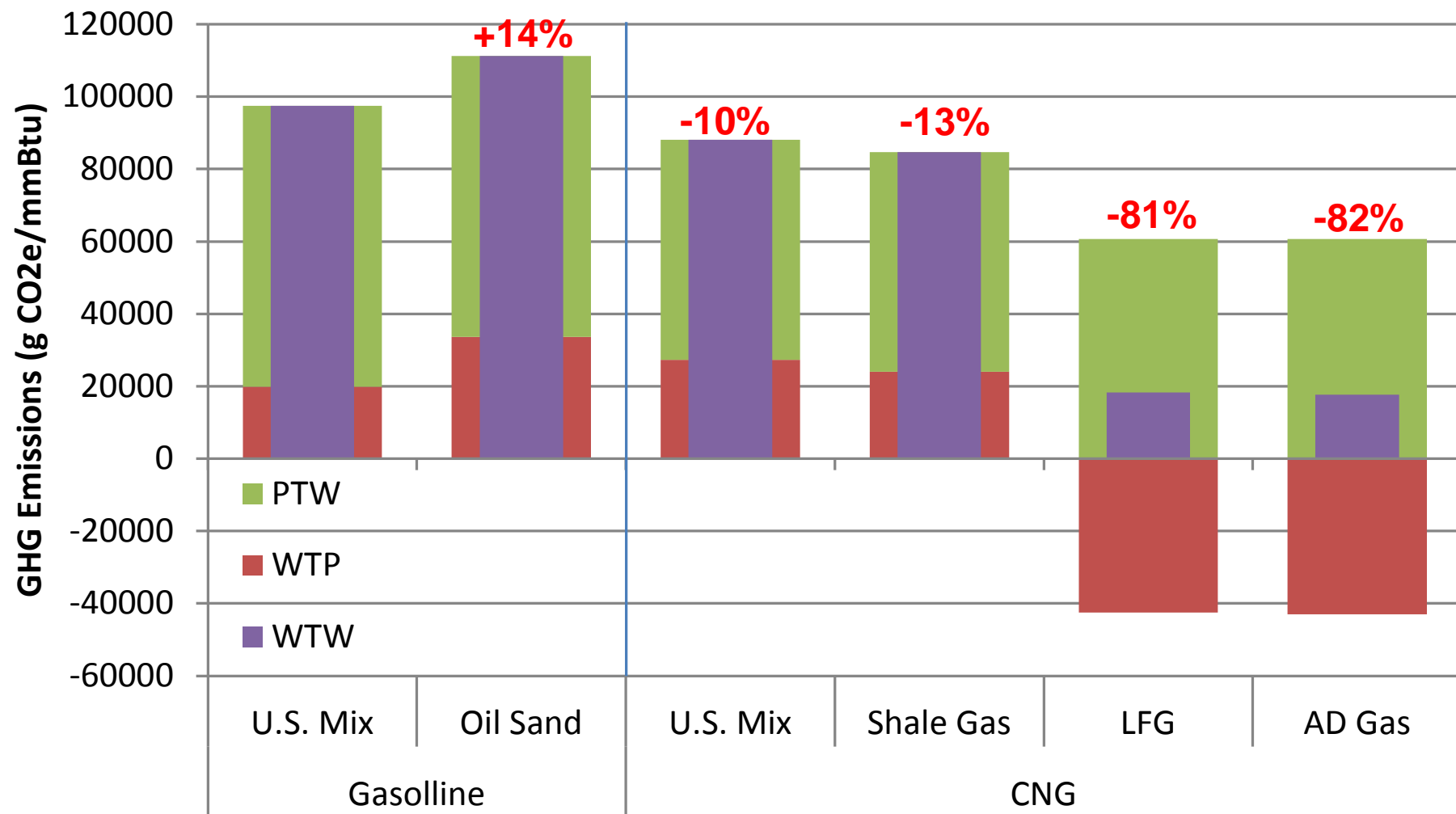
# Demo

Case No.	Fuel	Share of Oil Sands Products in Crude Oil Blend	NG Feedstock <sup>a</sup>	Share of Shale Gas in Natural Gas Supply	Share of LFG for RNG	Default
1	U.S. average gasoline and NG	9.4%	1	22.6%	100%	
2	Gasoline from oil sands	100.0%	1	22.6%	100%	
3	Shale gas	9.4%	1	100%	100%	
4	Landfill Gas	9.4%	4	22.6%	100%	
5	AD Gas	9.4%	4	22.6%	0%	

<sup>a</sup> 1:North America Natural Gas; 4: Renewable Natural Gas



# Demo Results



**Reduction in GHG emissions relative to gasoline**

