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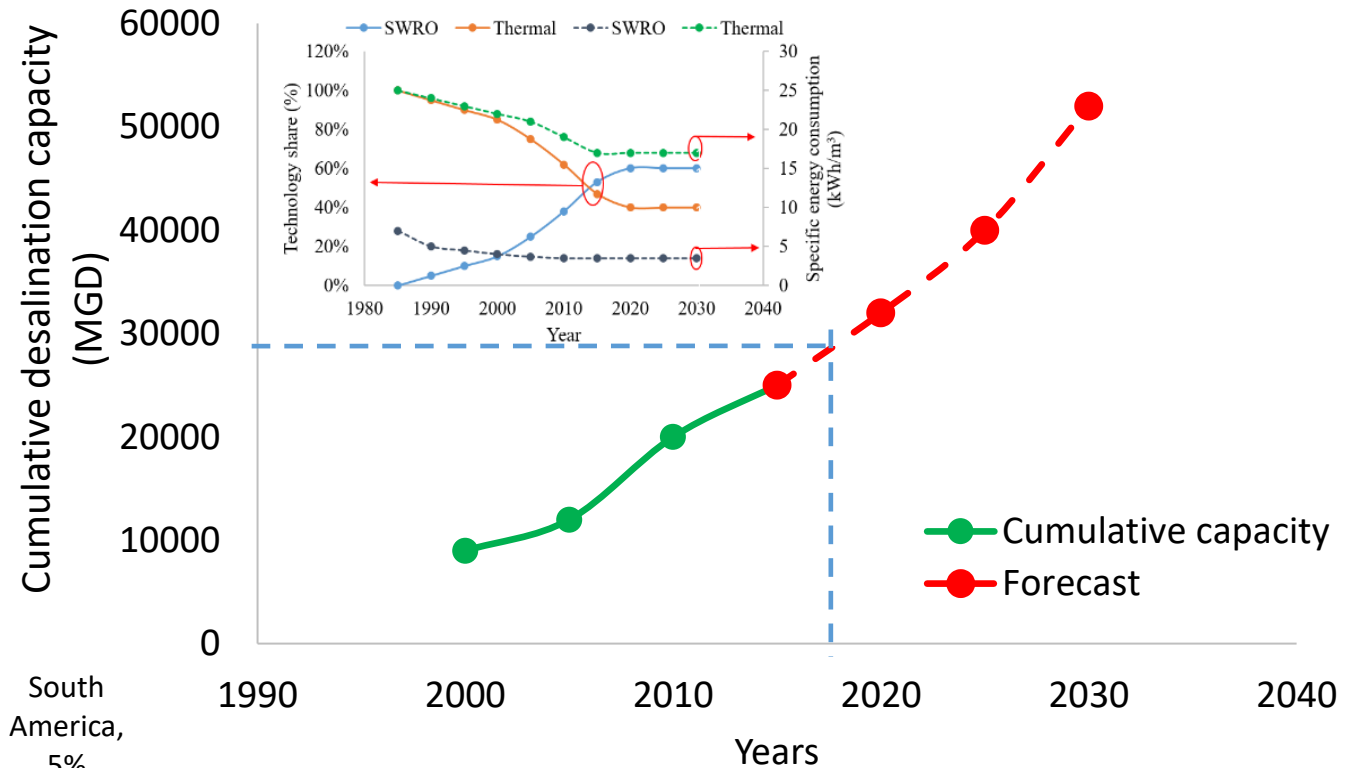
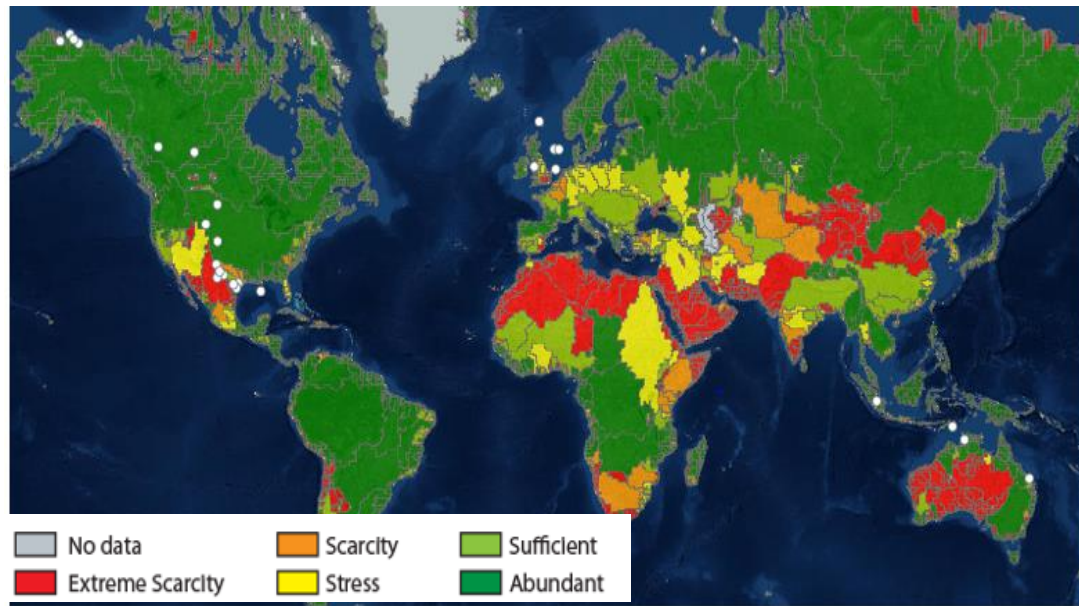
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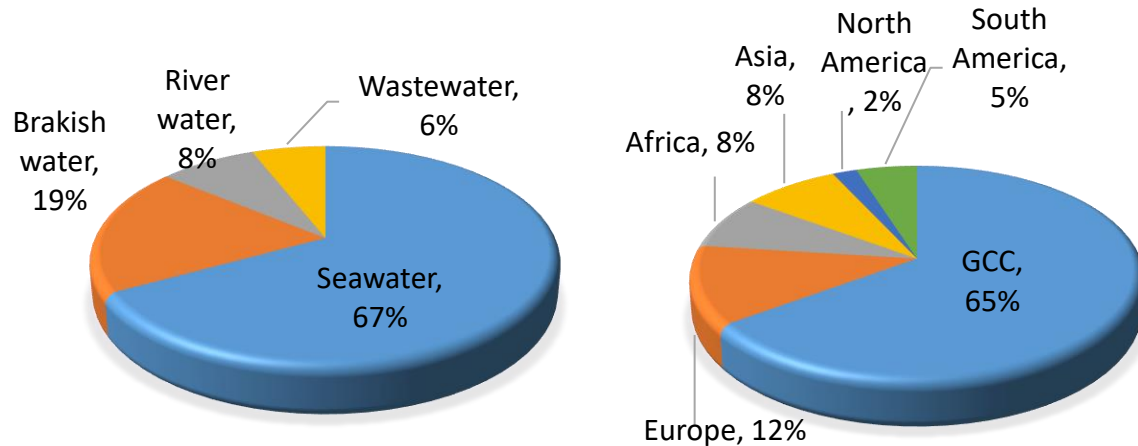
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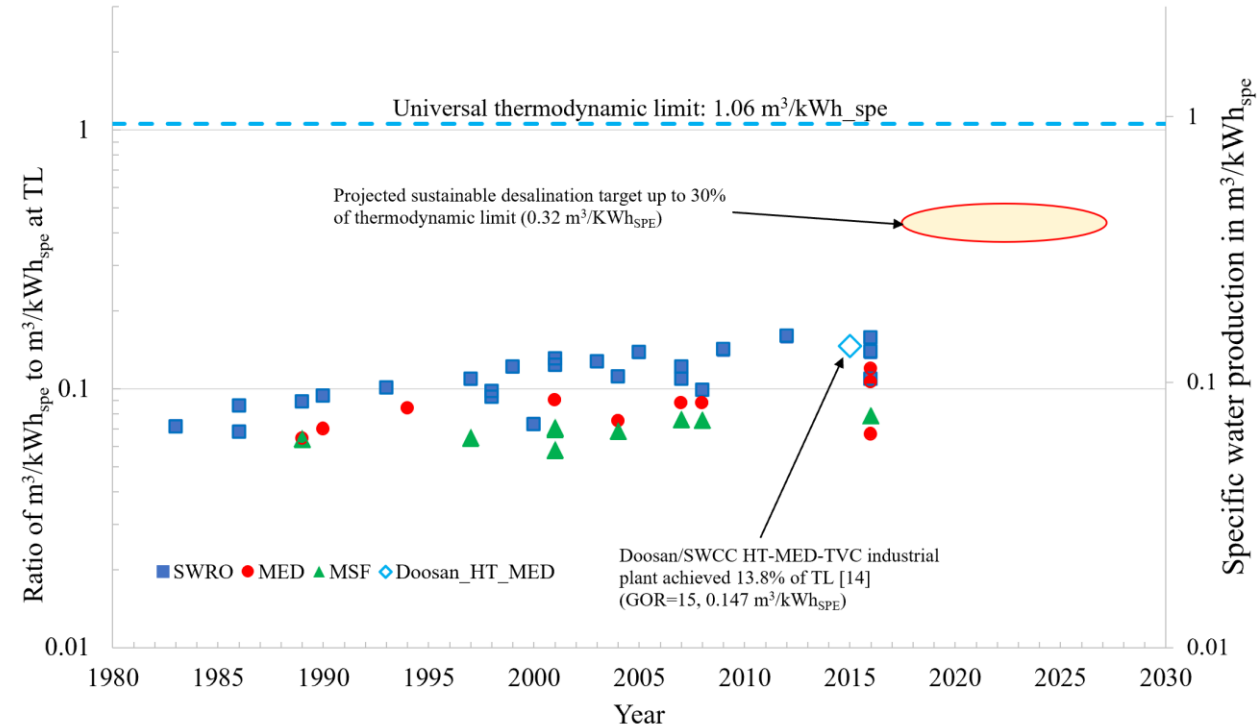
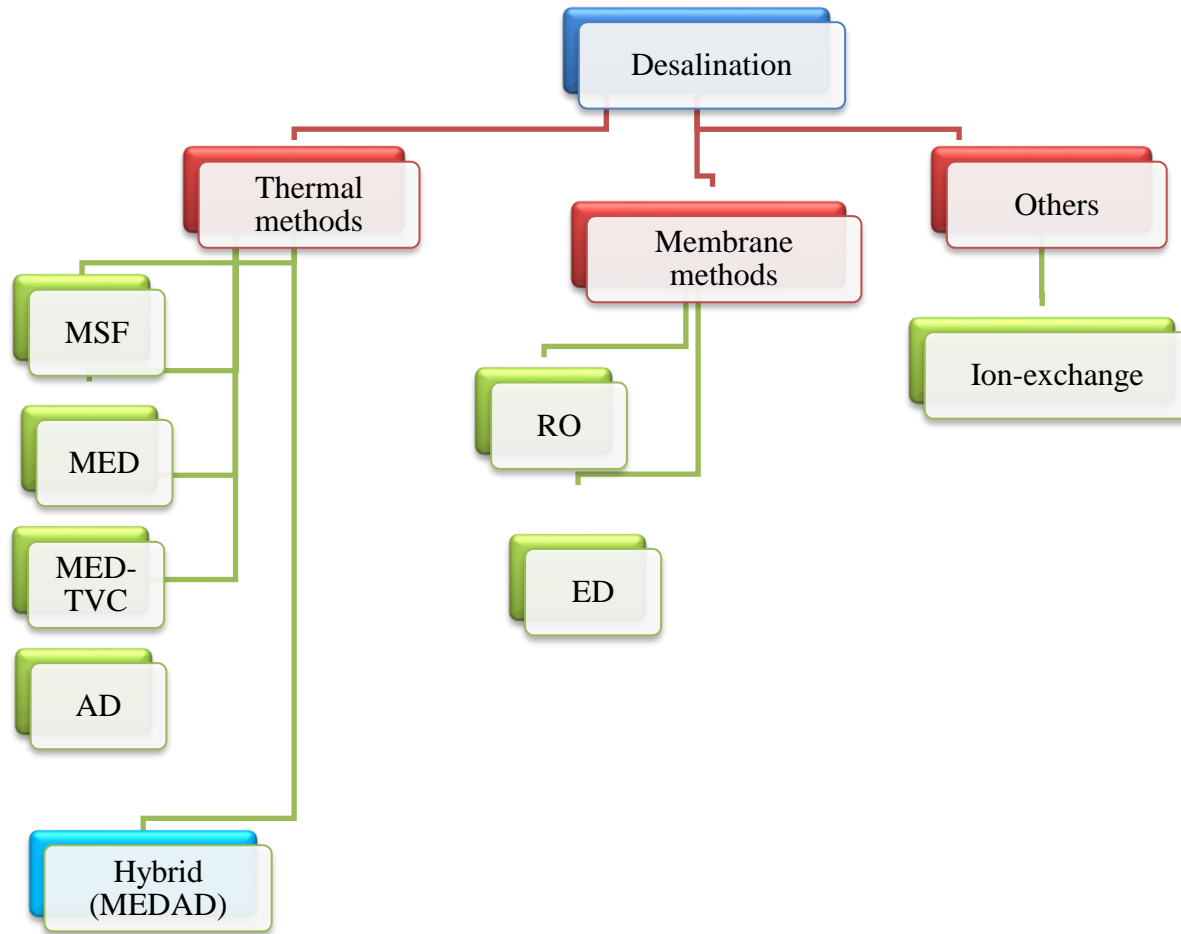
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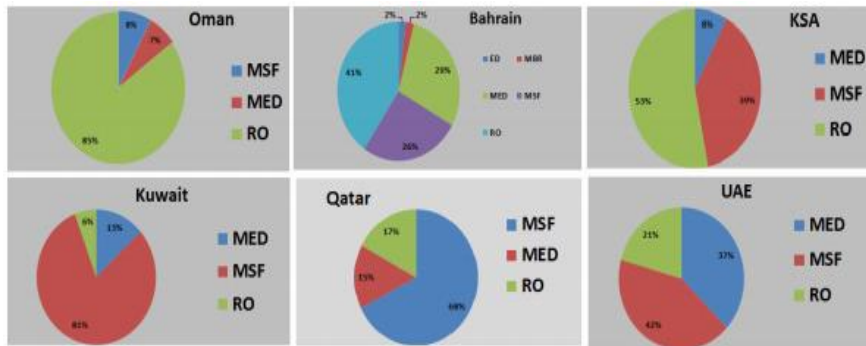
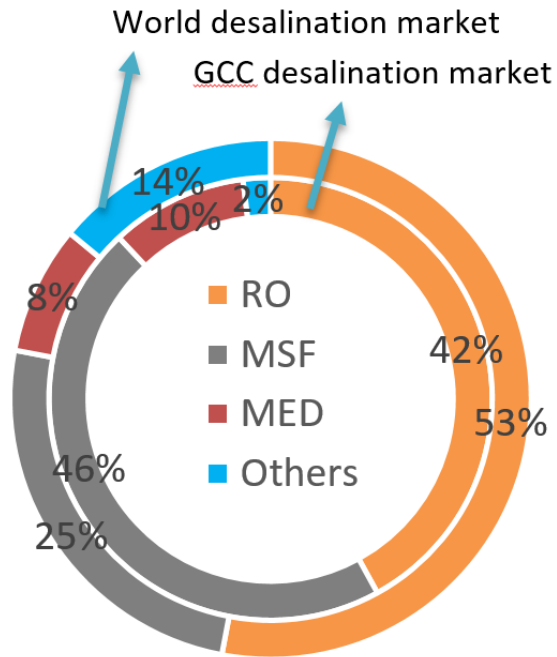


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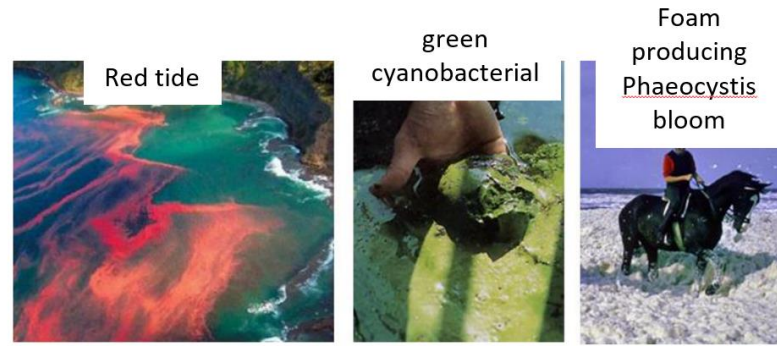


All conventional processes are operation only at 10-13% of thermodynamic limit...

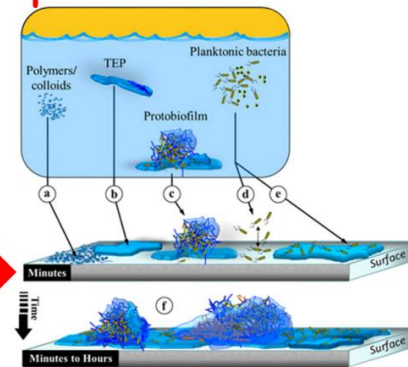
Desalination Processes



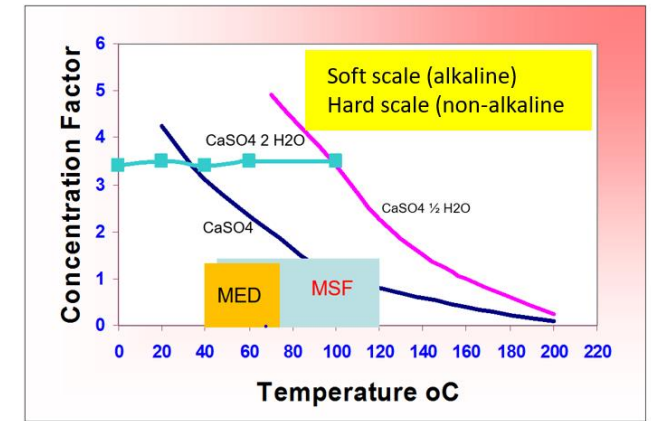
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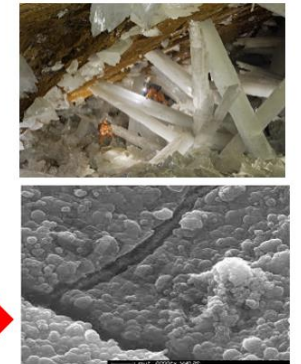
HABs accelerate biofilm on SWRO membranes



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Reduction in heat transfer and hence performance



SeaWater Reverse Osmosis.....An Efficient Process?



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Energy-efficient reverse osmosis desalination process

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Improved recovery and energy efficient reverse osmosis process

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Venue: Lecture Theatre 3, Department of Chemical Engineering
Campus: South Kensington Campus

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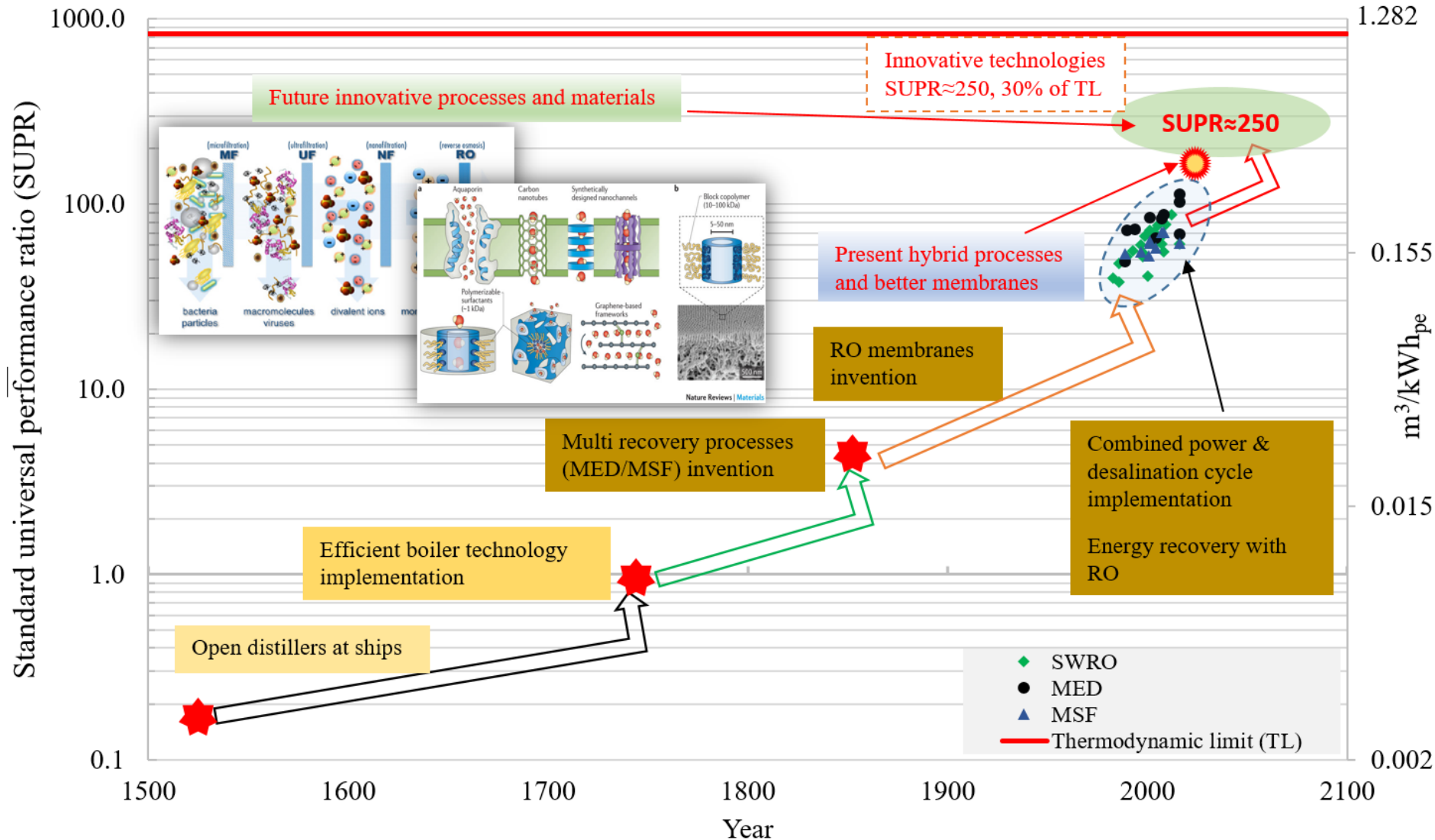
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Critical Review

Energy Issues in Desalination Processes

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SUPR Trend since 1500: Lesson Learned from History

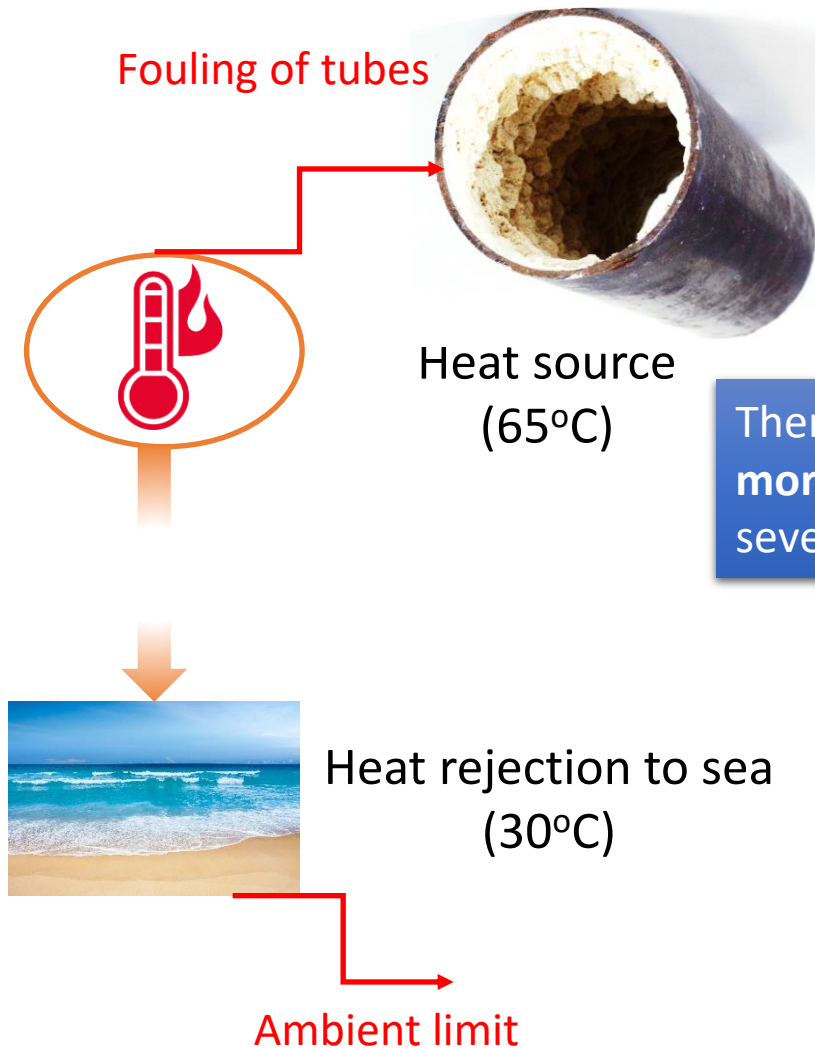


Significant jump in performance can only be achieved by technology **CHANGE!**

Conventional Desalination Processes Limitations



Thermal Desalination Systems Limitations



Reverse Osmosis Systems Limitations

Red tides



Algae blooms



Seafoam



Thermal processes are **more favorable** at sever water conditions

Thermal processes are **more robust** then membrane processes

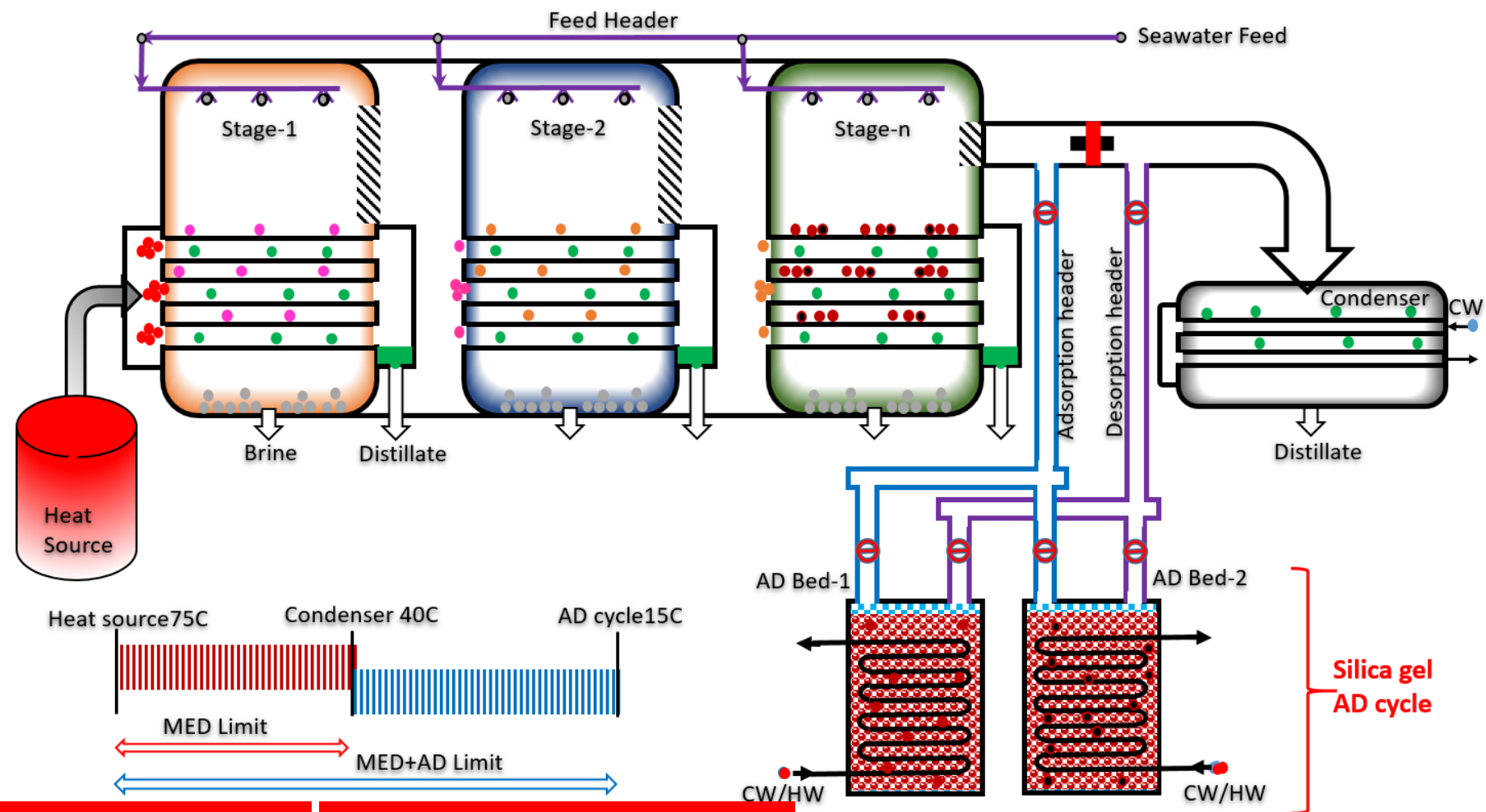
Thermal processes are **more efficient** then membrane processes



Membranes fouling/clogging

Hybridization of Desalination Processes to Overcome Limitations

Multi Effect Desalination Integration with Adsorption Cycle (MED+AD)

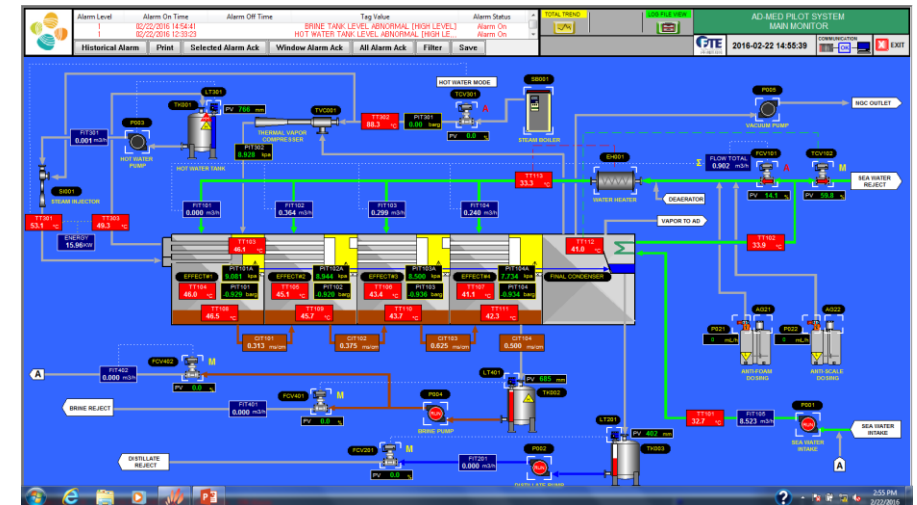


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Hybridization MED+AD Pilot at KAUST



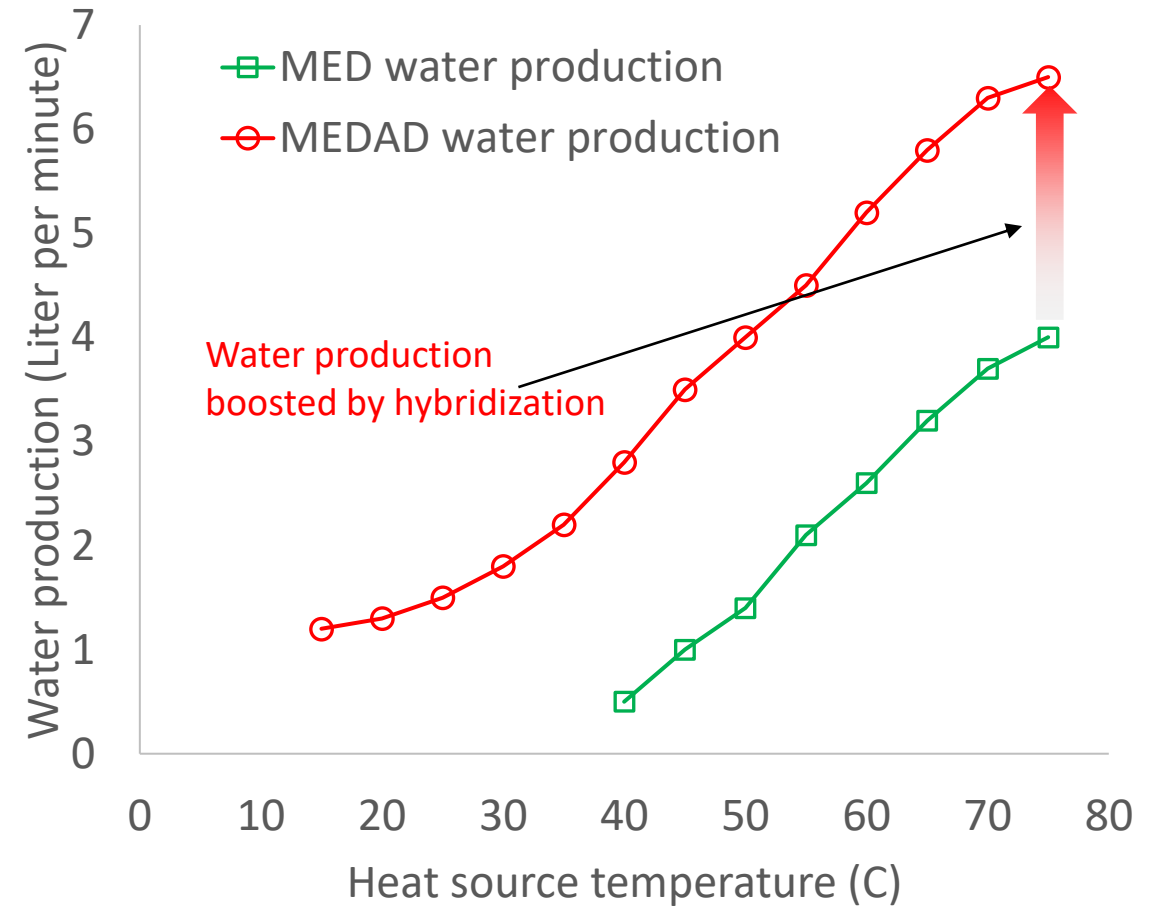
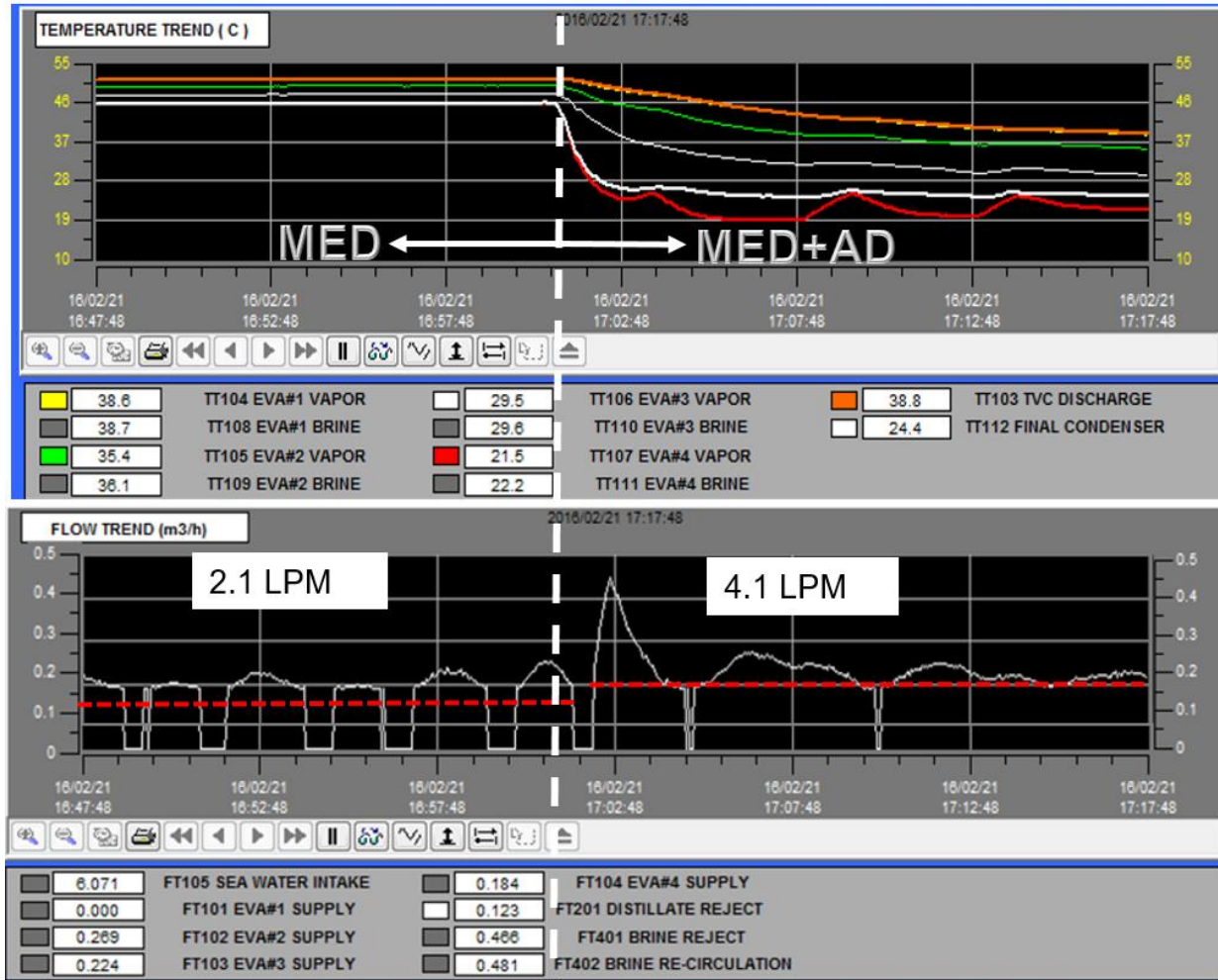
- 10,000 liter per day pilot is installed at KAUST
- Operated with 352 m² area of evacuated tube solar collectors



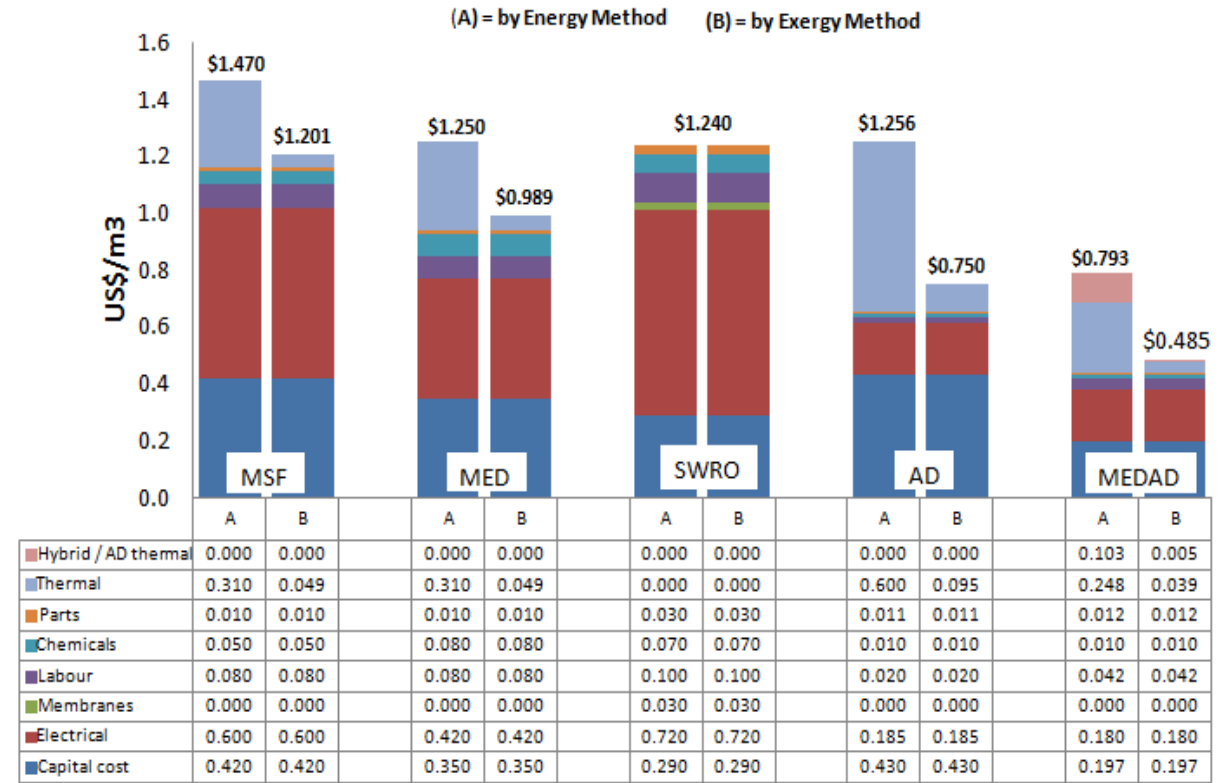
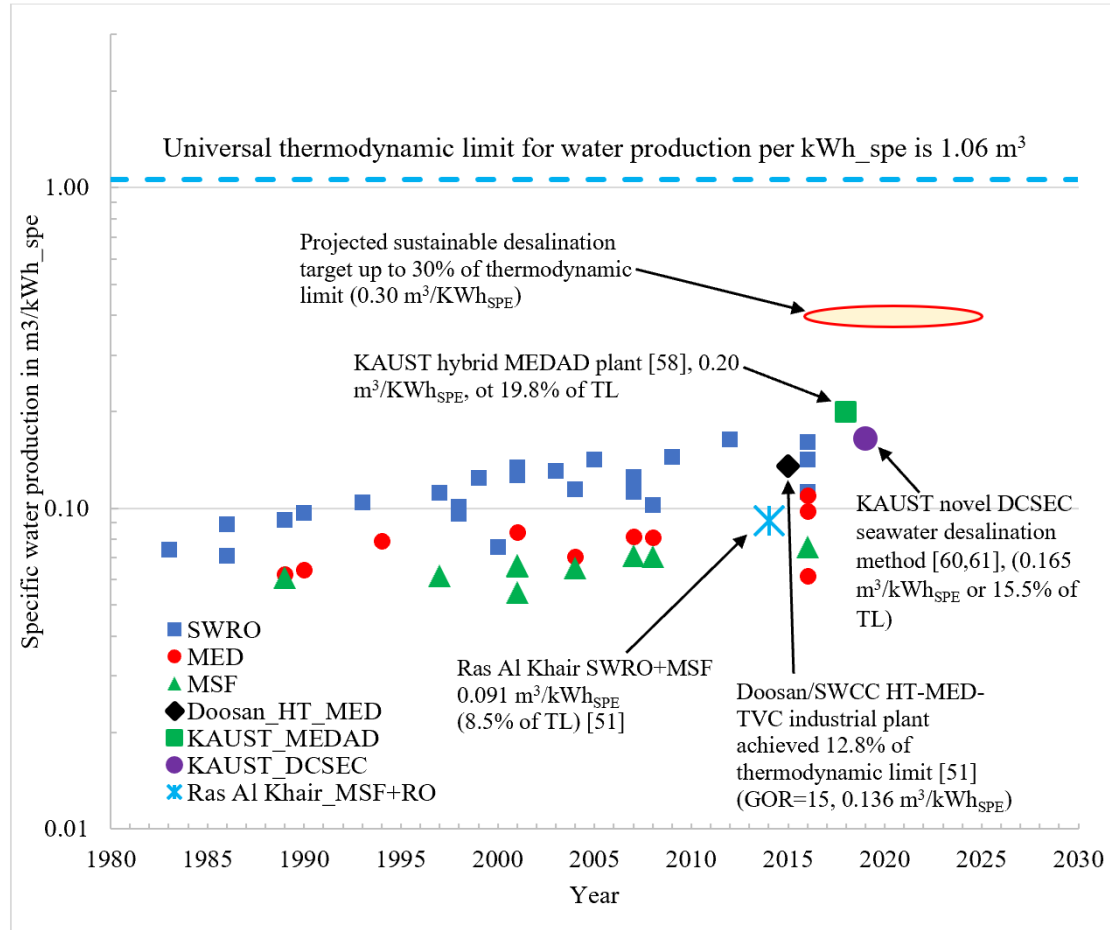
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Hybridization MED+AD Pilot Experimental Results



Proposed Cycle Performance



20% of TL

One of the highest performance reported up-till now!

\$0.48 per cubic meter

One of the lowest cost reported up-till now!

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On the road to water sustainability in the Gulf


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New studies carry potential for creating much more efficient water desalination systems in the Gulf.

Muhammad Wakil Shahzad and Kim Choon Ng*

Despite having more than 60% of the world's desalination installations, fresh water availability in the Gulf Cooperation Countries (GCC) is rapidly falling far below the UN's water poverty threshold, which is 1000 cubic metres per capita per year^{1,2}.

This is compounded by an exponential population growth and industrial development. The average fresh water availability in the region now is an average 80–100 cubic metres per capita per year which has prompted GCC governments to increase spending to combat water scarcity and ensure sustainable resources for the future³.



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New Desalination Technology from Saudi Arabia Opens Doors to Higher Worldwide Clean Water Sources – Announced King Abdulaziz City of Science and Technology (KACST)

Worldwide first and largest seawater desalination and cooling plant has been opened in Solar Village nearby Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. The state of the art system - Adsorption Desalination and Cooling (ADC) - is due to be used commercially in Saudi Arabia and other regions in the near future as the



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Dr. Shahzad and others are designing a scaled-up version of the system for an existing Red Sea desalination plant. "We are at the point where we have to look into out-of-the-box solutions to achieve sustainable water production for future supplies," he said.



The small pilot plant, which uses solar energy to heat the water for desalination.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/22/climate/desalination-water-climate-change.htm>

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Milestones in an exciting transition

Saudi Arabia is turning the page on an era of carbon-intensive, polluting technologies with new research and initiatives

31bn Saudi Arabia's investment in renewable energy projects

5m Saudi Arabia's investment in research and development projects

400 Saudi Arabia's investment in research and development projects

processes has future implications for the economy and levels of environmental and marine pollution," Muhammad Wakil Shahzad, a research scientist at the Water Desalination Research Center (WDRC) at King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST), told Arab News.

"All conventional desalination processes are operating at only 10 to 13 percent of the thermodynamic limit. Sustainable desalination can only be achieved by 'out of box' solutions such as hybrid processes and highly efficient membranes applications."

Ward points out that "research into renewable desalination is under way, with the largest solar-based experiment located in Saudi Arabia." He says the transforma-

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Global Innovation Award in Water-2020



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