



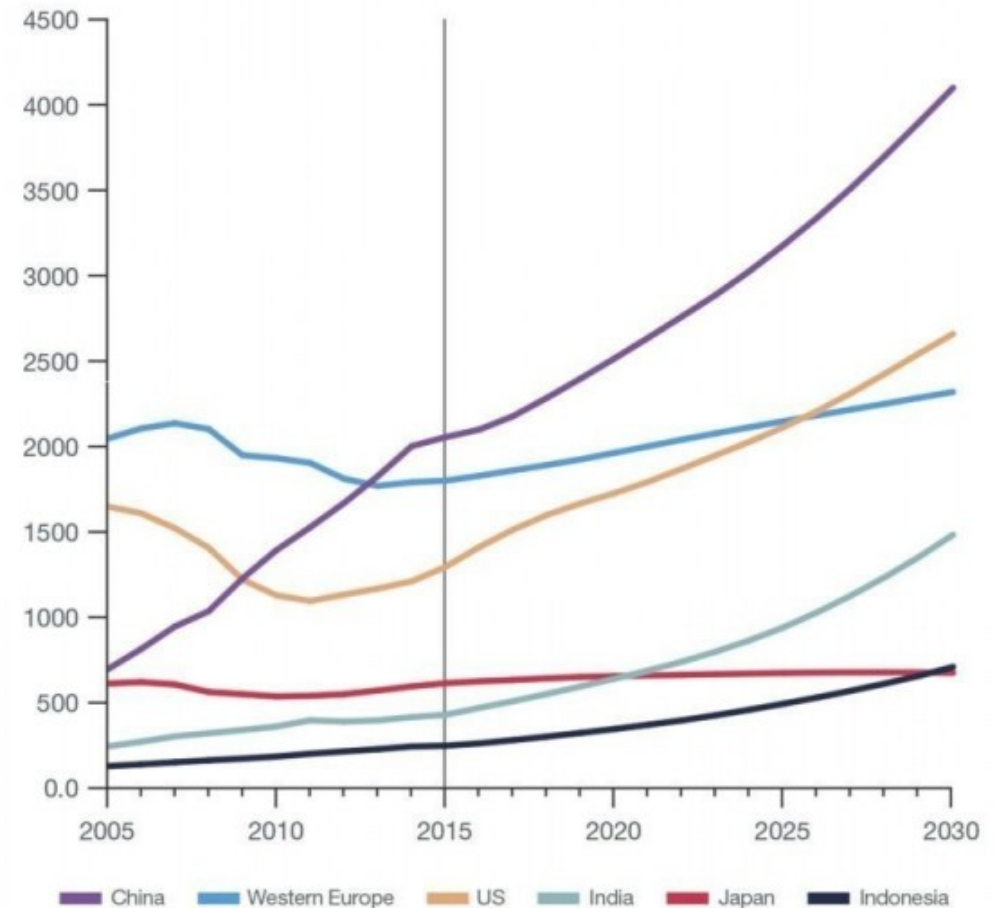
# How can concrete be a part of climate-friendly buildings. Problems and solutions

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# | Forecast construction sector 2030

PWC: The global construction sector will grow by 70 % over the next 10 years

Market Size of Top Global Construction Markets  
(\$bn, 2014 prices)

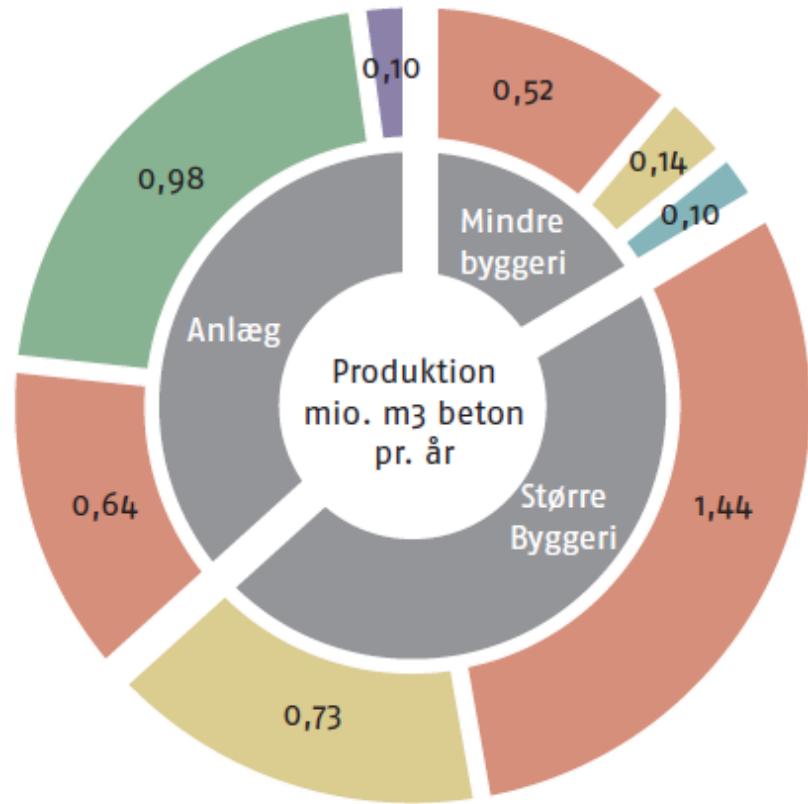


Source: Global Construction Perspectives, Oxford Economics

# Cement – and concrete – binds the world together. Today and tomorrow



# Baseline for the use of concrete in Denmark



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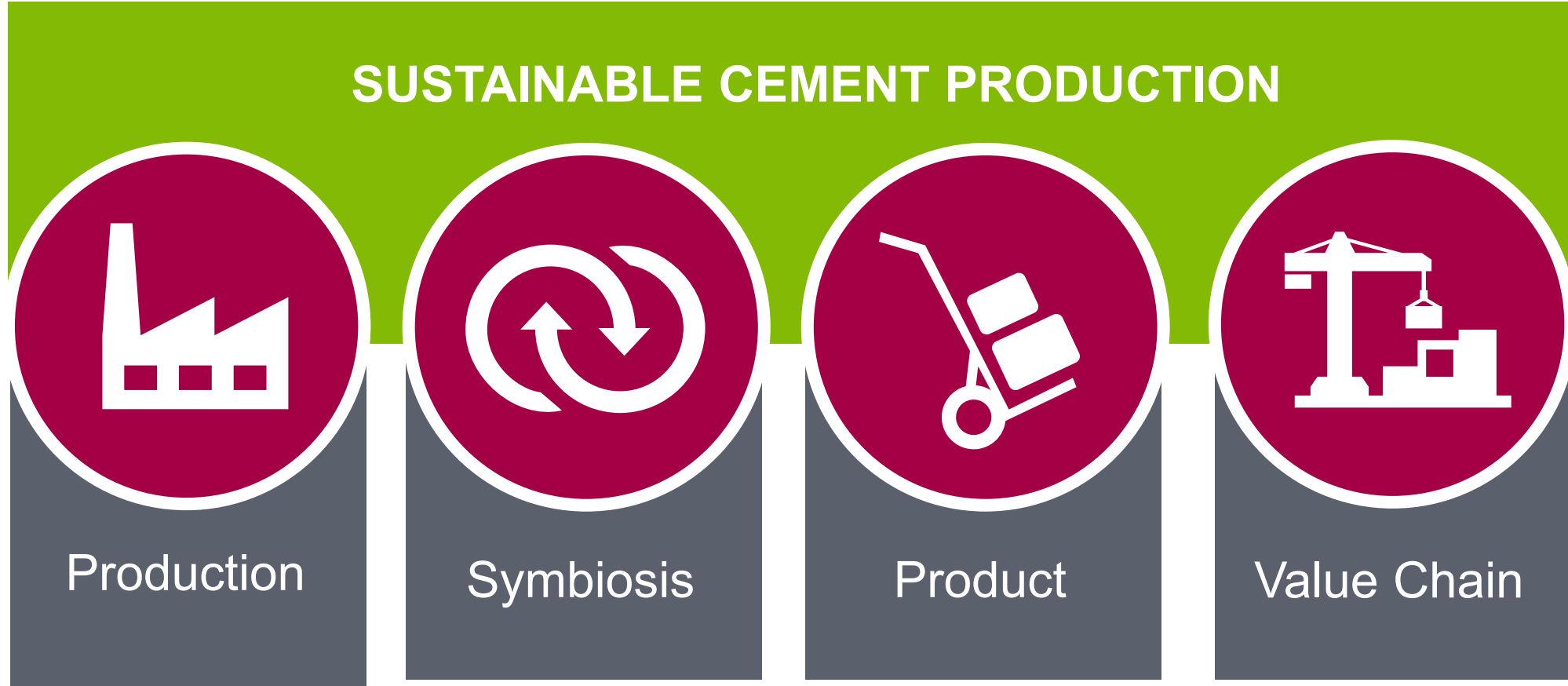
Pre-cast elements

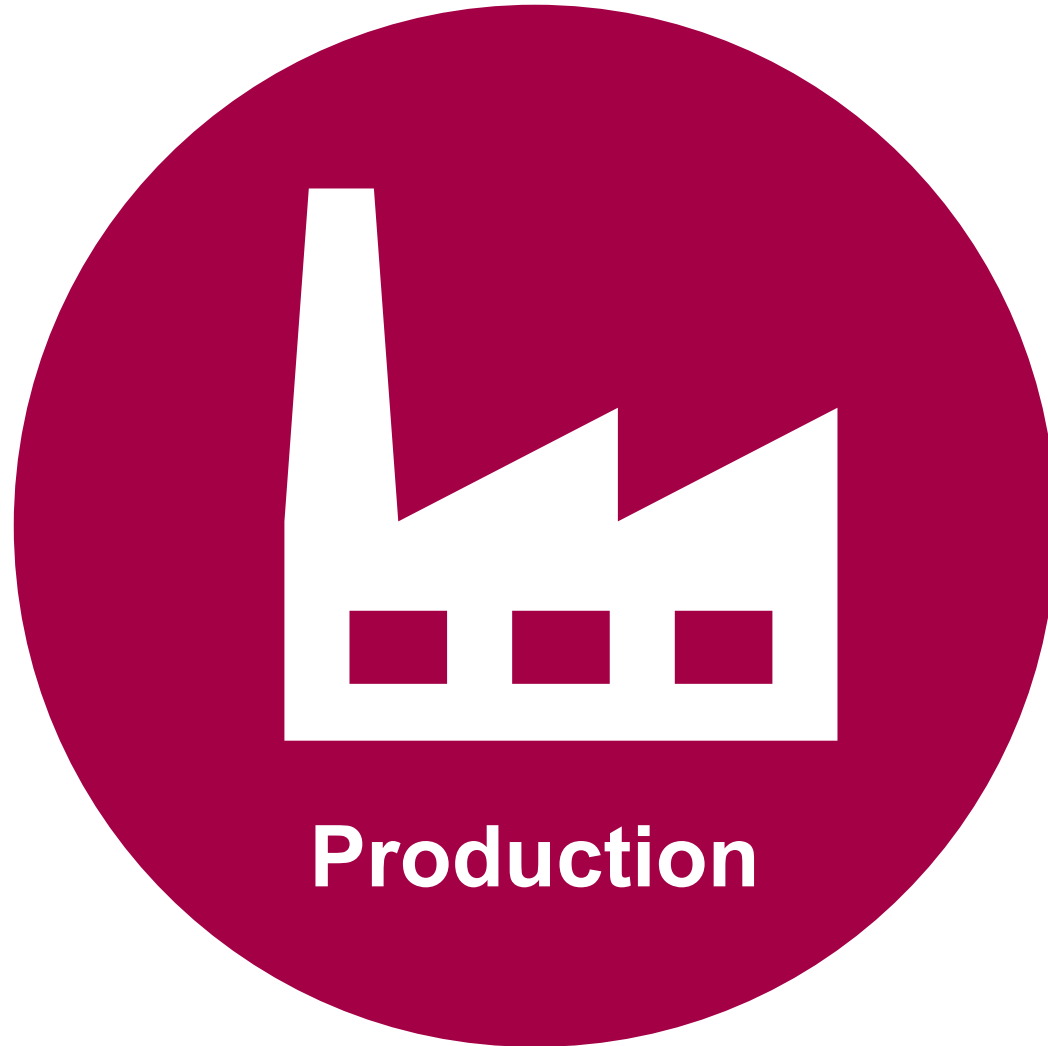
Blocks

Pavement

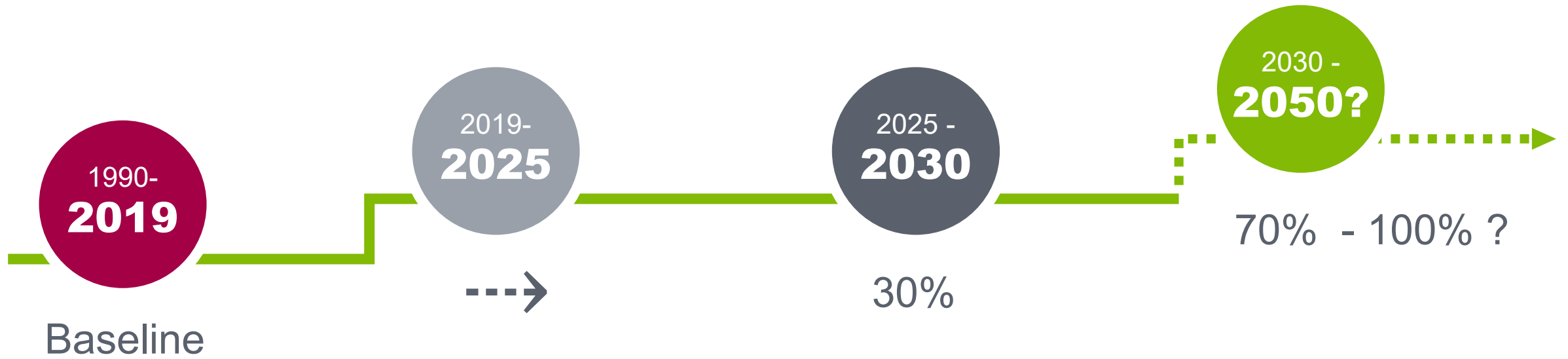
Pipes

| We focus on sustainability in the whole process

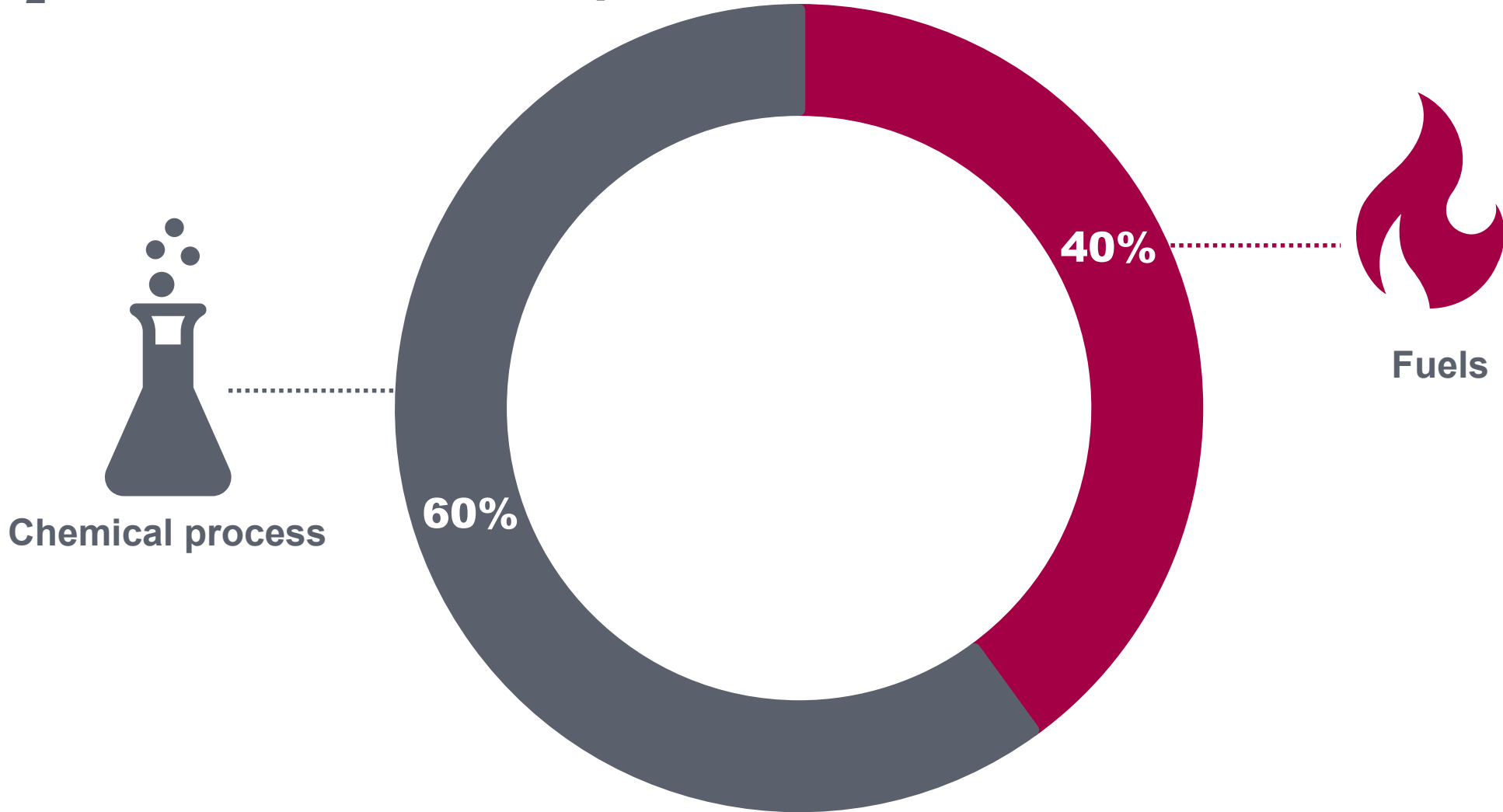




# Target for reducing the CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions from Aalborg Portland



# Two CO<sub>2</sub>-sources in cement production







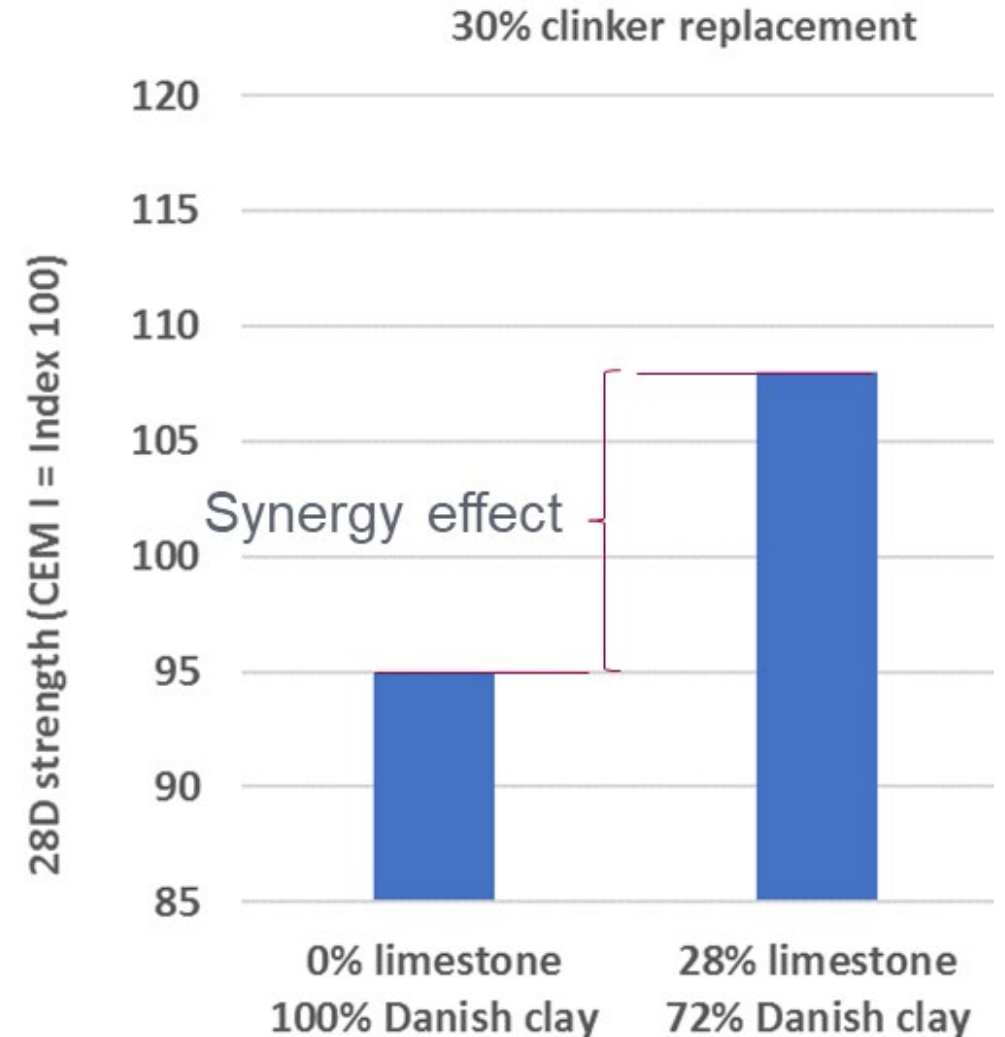


# FUTURE CEM

# | What is FutureCem?

- Breakthrough technology: Substitution of portland clinker with a combination of calcined clay and limestone
- 30% less CO2. Maybe even more
- Global patent
- High quality product – tested in lab, in real life (aggressive environment) and in large scale production
- Possible introduction on the Danish market in 2020

*This is just one of one current development of new cement types and running climate optimization of the product portfolio*



# Demonstration projects



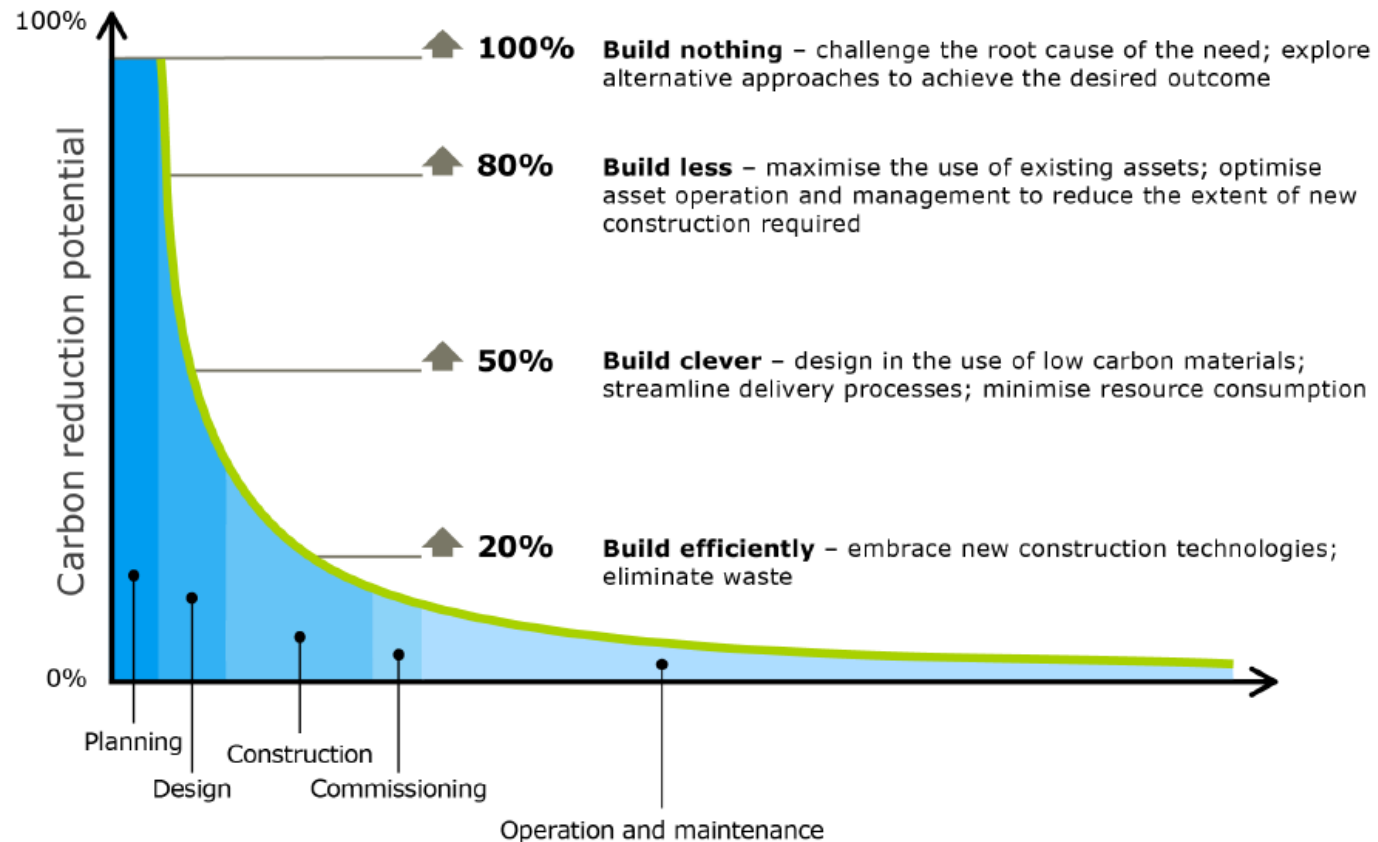
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# EMBODIED CARBON REDUCTION POTENTIAL

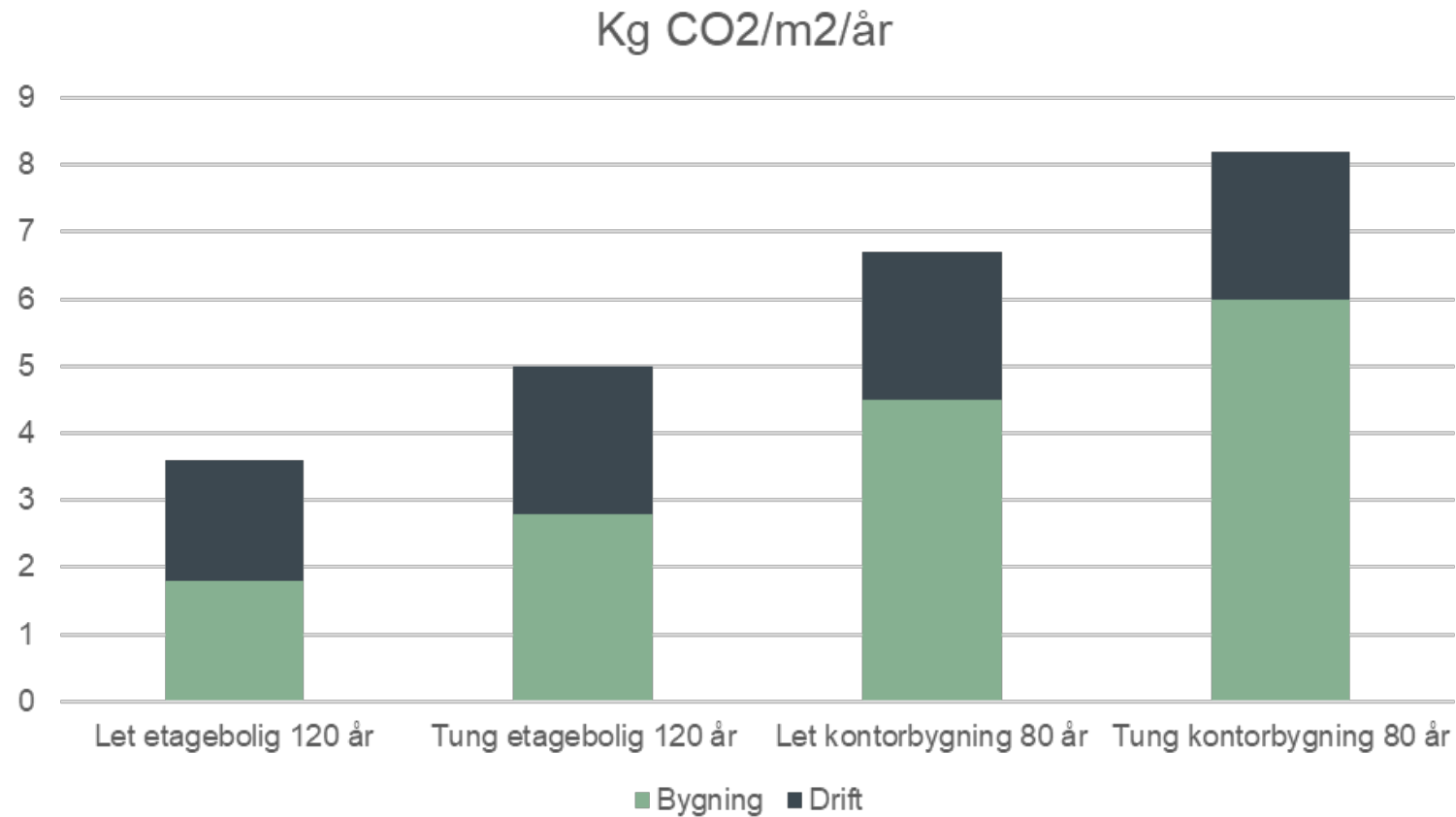
Embodied carbon reduction potential at different stages of a building project



The embodied carbon impacts from the product and construction stages should be measured and offset at practical completion.



# LCA based on standard EPD. Not on optimized constructions



*Bygningers indlejrede energi og miljøpåvirkning. SBI 2017.*



# Example I: Powerhouse



# | Powerhouse: Learnings

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## How do they work?

1. Set a climate target for the construction
2. Early involvement of all relevant parties
3. Optimize the geometry of the constructions
4. Optimize the volume of the materials

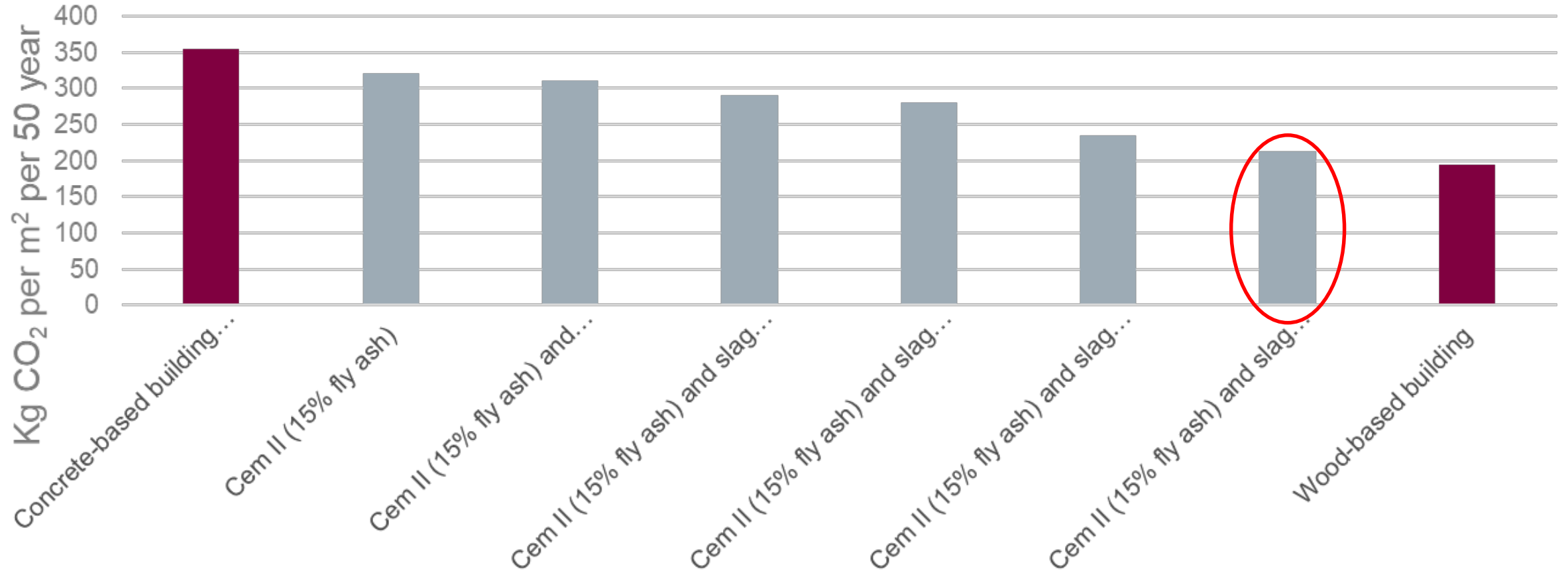
# | Powerhouse: Learnings

*"There is a lot of interesting elements in Powerhouse related to concrete. We used posttensioned "extreme-low carbon concrete" to reduce the climate footprint as much as possible. This makes the concepts climate competitive with for example solid wood."*

## Example II



# Two benchmark analysis with completely different results. Why?



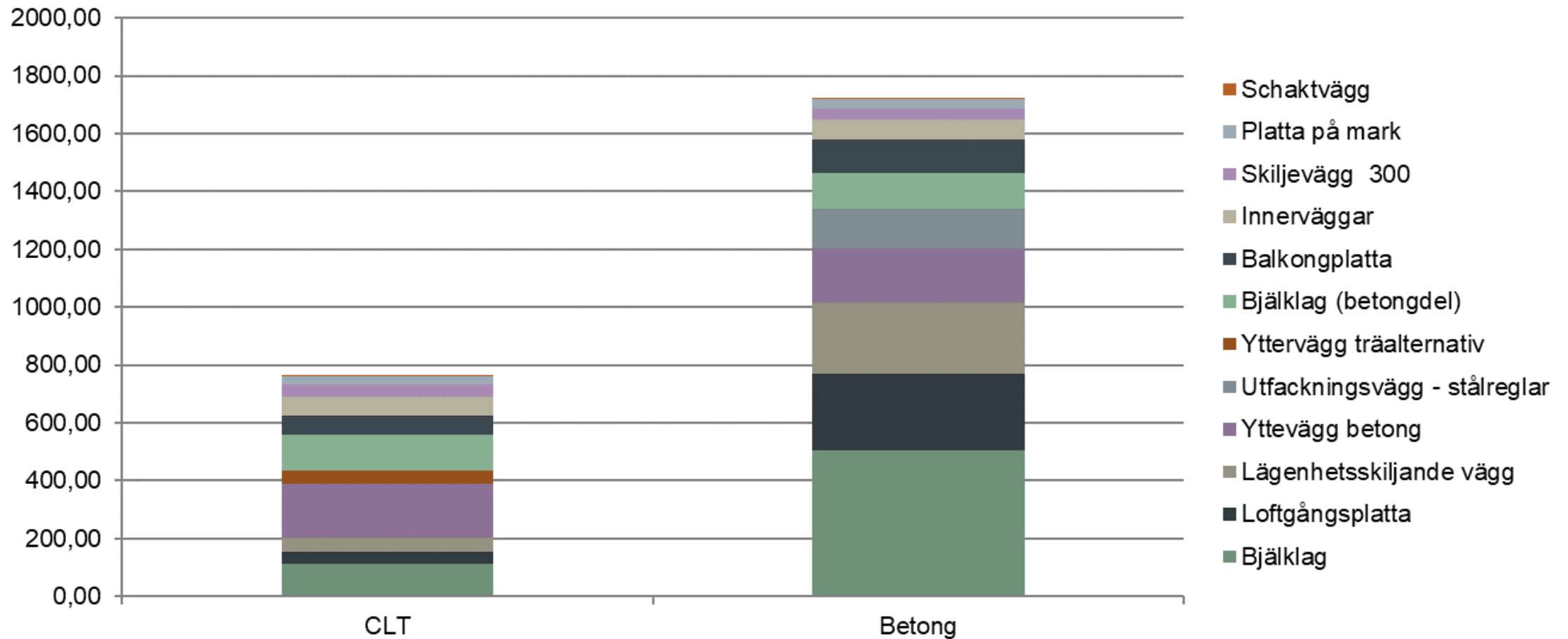
# | What made the difference?

- Cement with clinker substitution
- 10% reduction of the concrete volume
- Complete LCA incl. carbonatization
- More extensive use of in-situ



**Example III: Viva housing, Göteborg**

# Pre-study with a very clear conclusion





# | Specific demands related to concrete made a difference

- Cement with clinker substitution
- Optimized concrete (lower cement consumption)
- Use of EPD
- Use of recycled steel

# | Result?

The LCA-report was clear:

*“The results show no significant differences between concrete and timber structures for the same functions during the life cycle, either for climate or for primary energy. The minor differences reported are accordingly less than the degree of uncertainty involved in the study.”*

| 40 partners from the whole of the value chain  
Ambition: 50% less CO<sub>2</sub> in concrete buildings by 2030

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## Conclusion

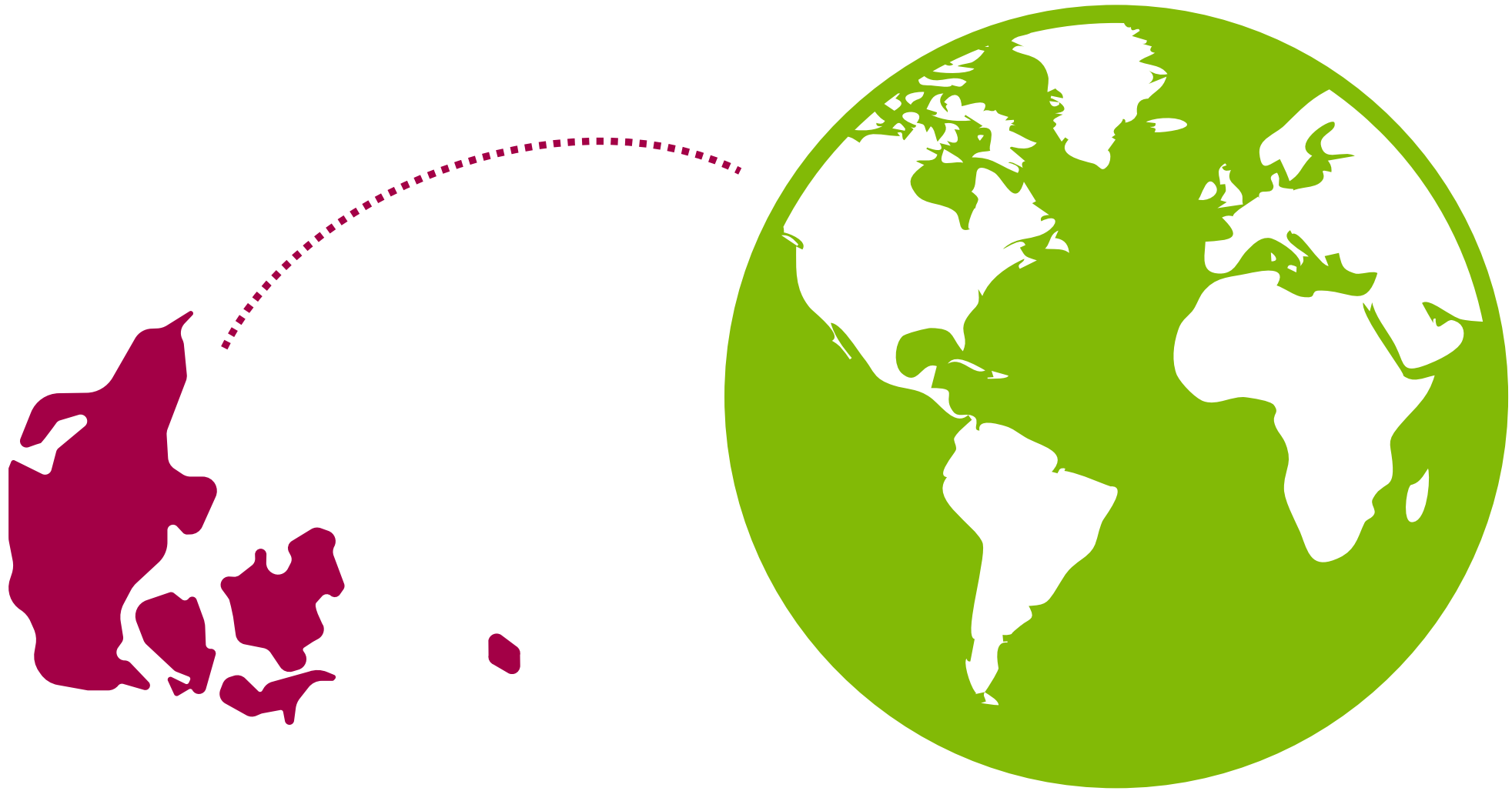
As today concrete will also tomorrow be a substantial part of the build environment

Therefore the production of cement and the use of concrete are essential

Both essential parameters are realistic

We are on track towards sustainable cement production and use of concrete

# Innovation in Aalborg and DK with med global effect





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