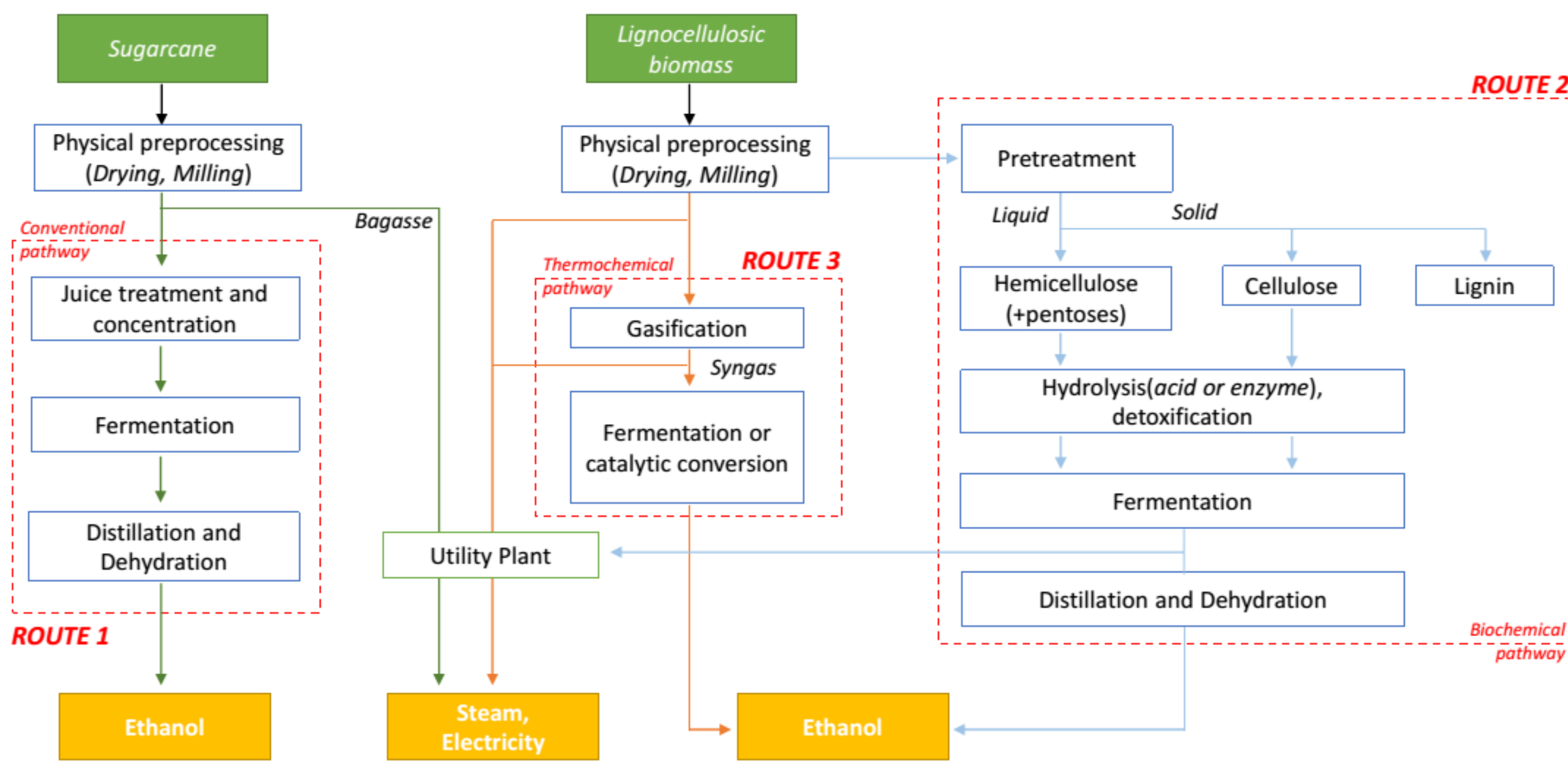


Exergy and Environmental Ranking of Bioethanol Production Routes

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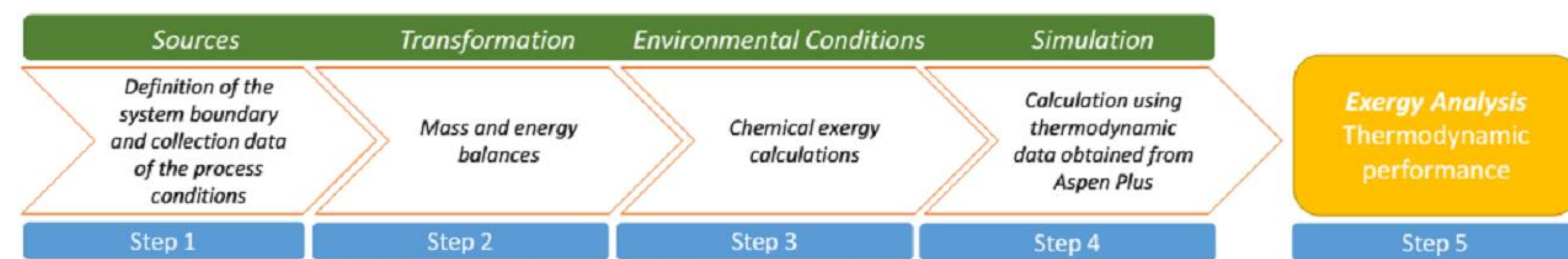
RESEARCH AIMS



ROUTE 1: Ethanol (1G) and electricity;
ROUTE 2: Ethanol (2G), hydrolysis and electricity;
ROUTE 3: Liquid fuels and electricity.

SCENARIOS PROPOSED

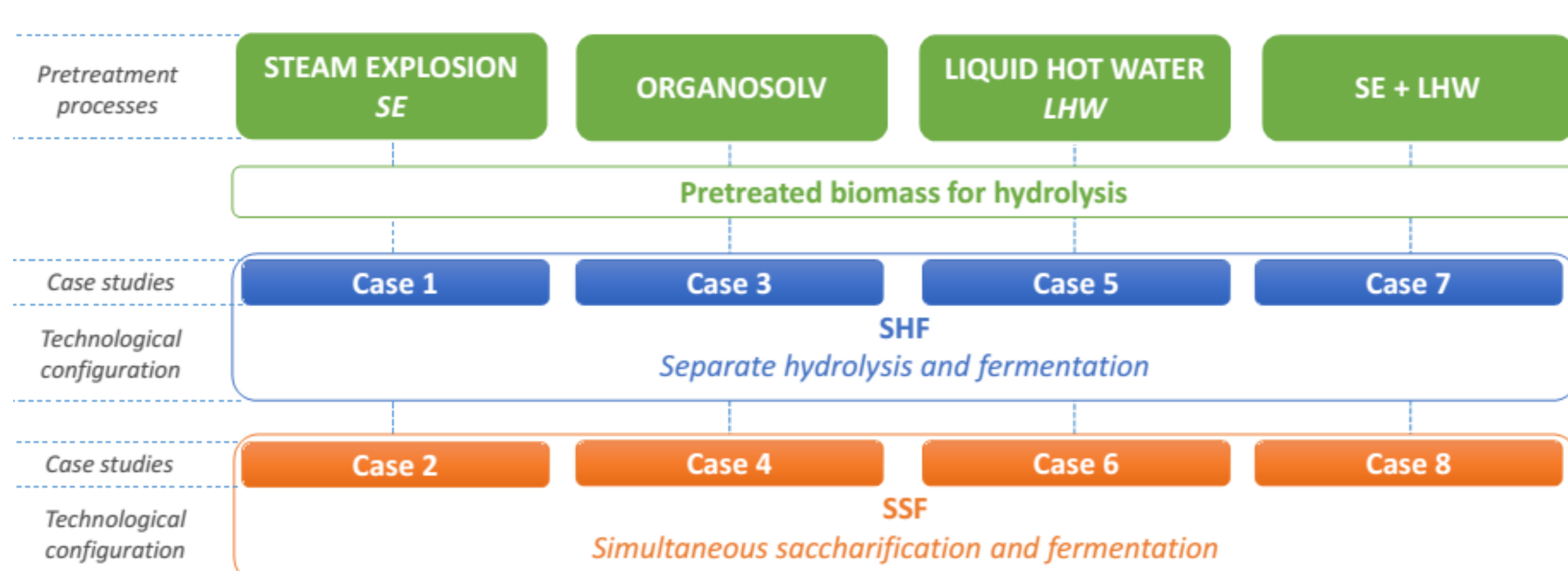
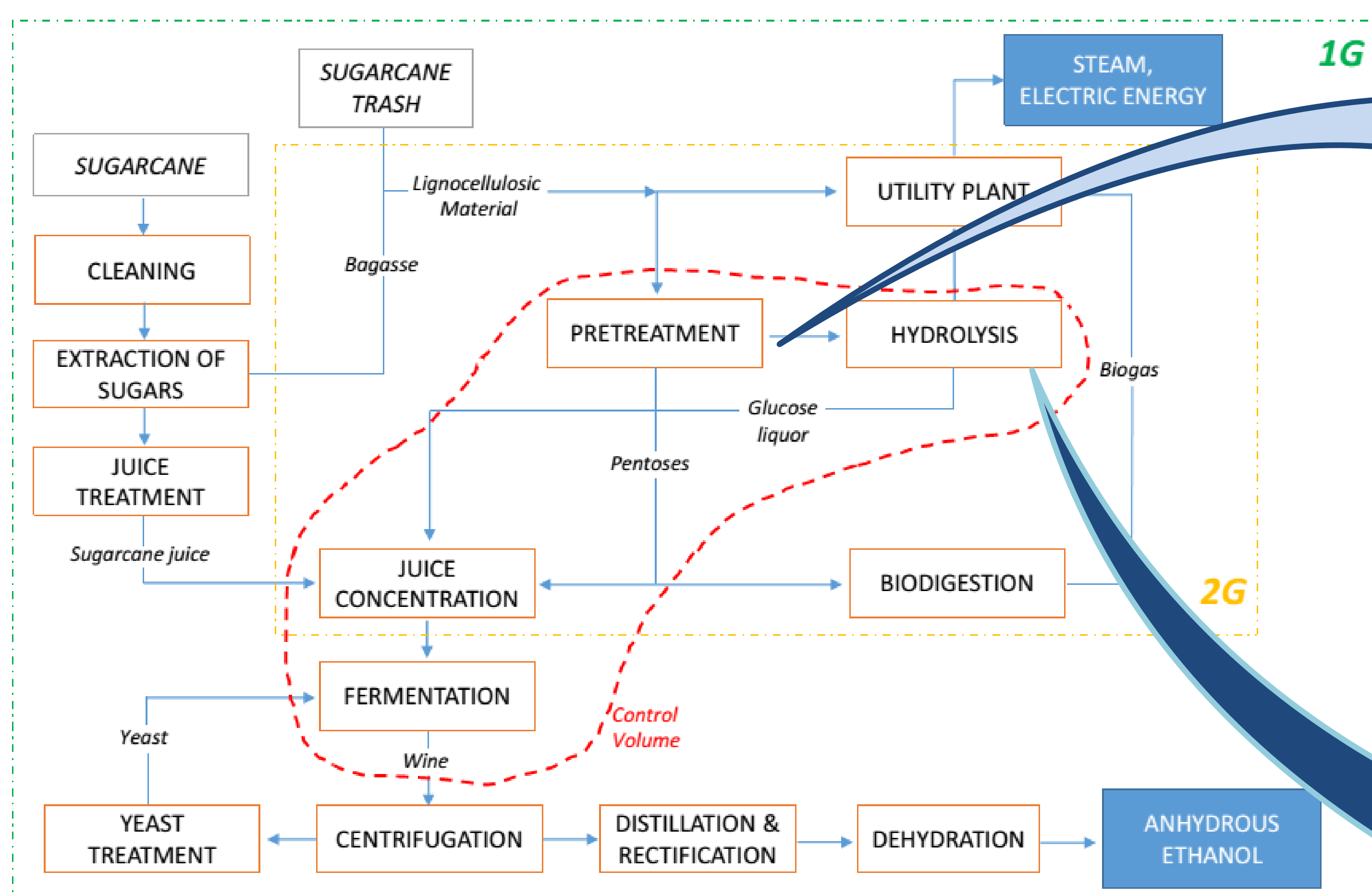
METHODOLOGY



SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- Characterizing energy conversion processes in each configuration analyzed in terms of waste/rejects and the most representative consumption-production data of these processes.
- Developing thermodynamic models for simulating the energy conversion processes of the proposed routes.
- Comparing the exergy performances of the routes evaluating alternatives to minimize entropy generation (irreversibility) in order to improve the quality of the products obtained.
- Defining appropriate exergo-environmental indicators for ranking the studied biorefineries configurations in certain scenarios for bioethanol and electricity production.
- Based on a thermo-economic analysis, assessing how the changes in the proposed biorefineries configurations alter the exergetic monetary costs of the products formation process.

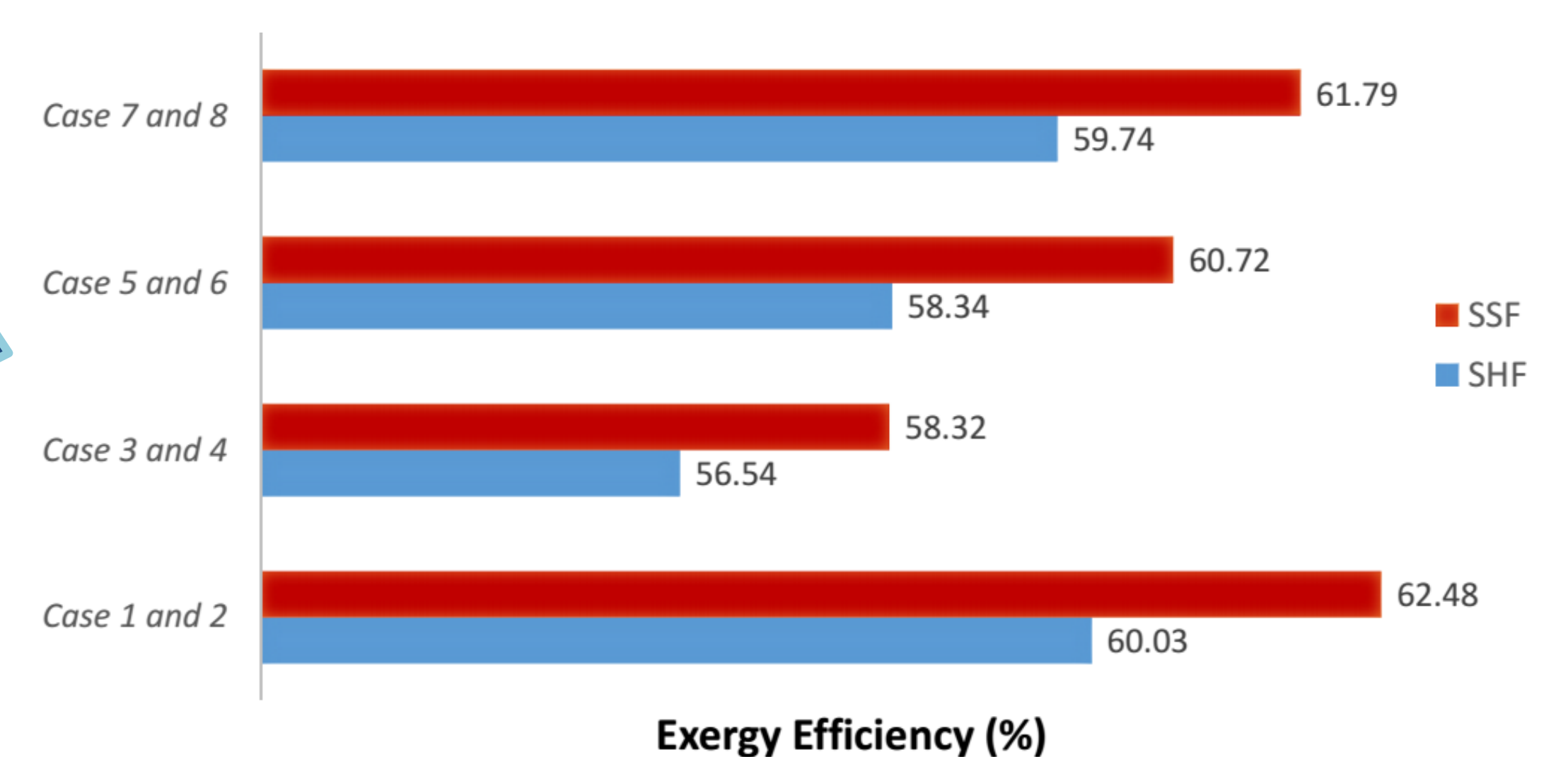
Integrated 1G-2G ethanol and electricity production



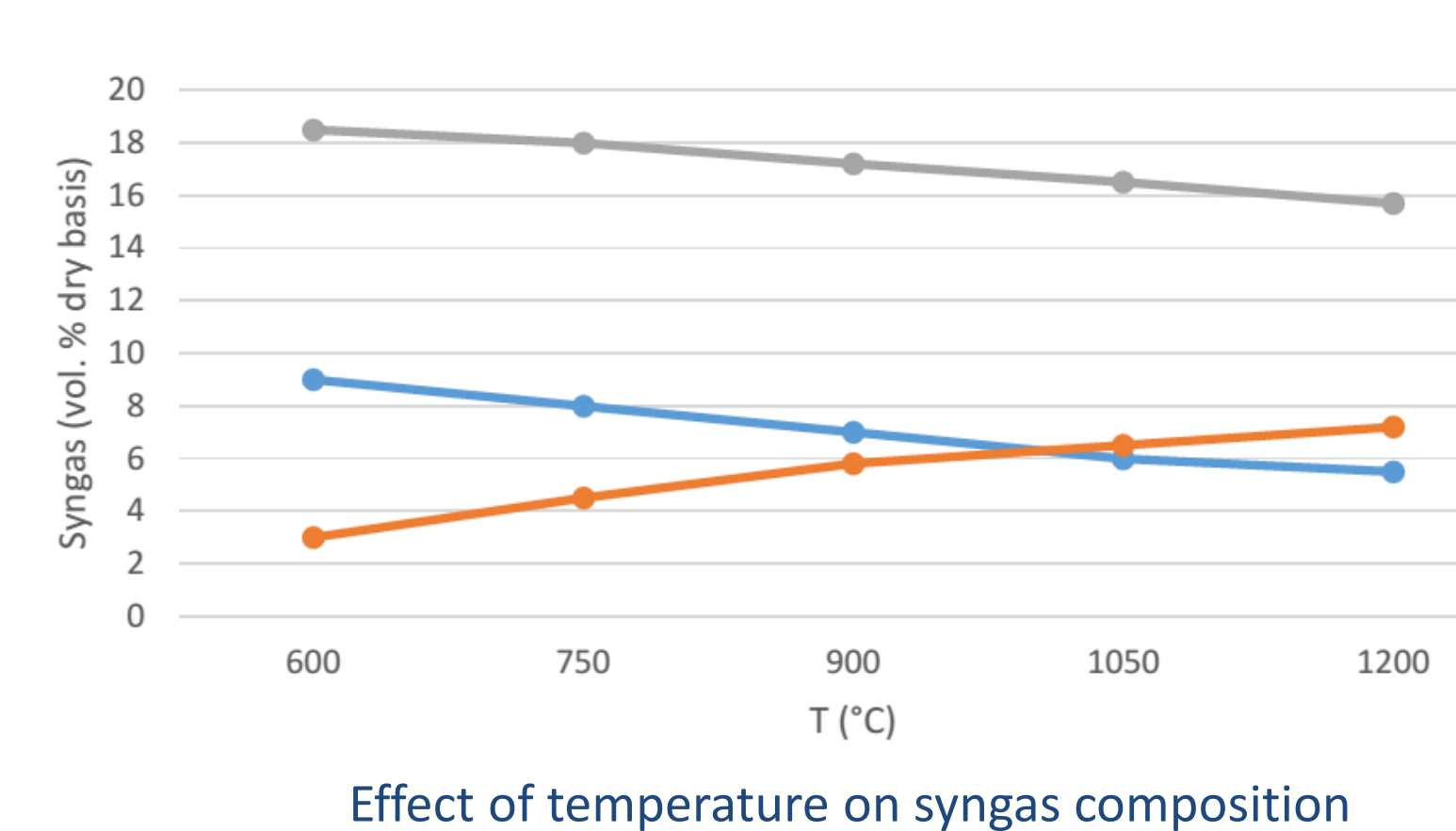
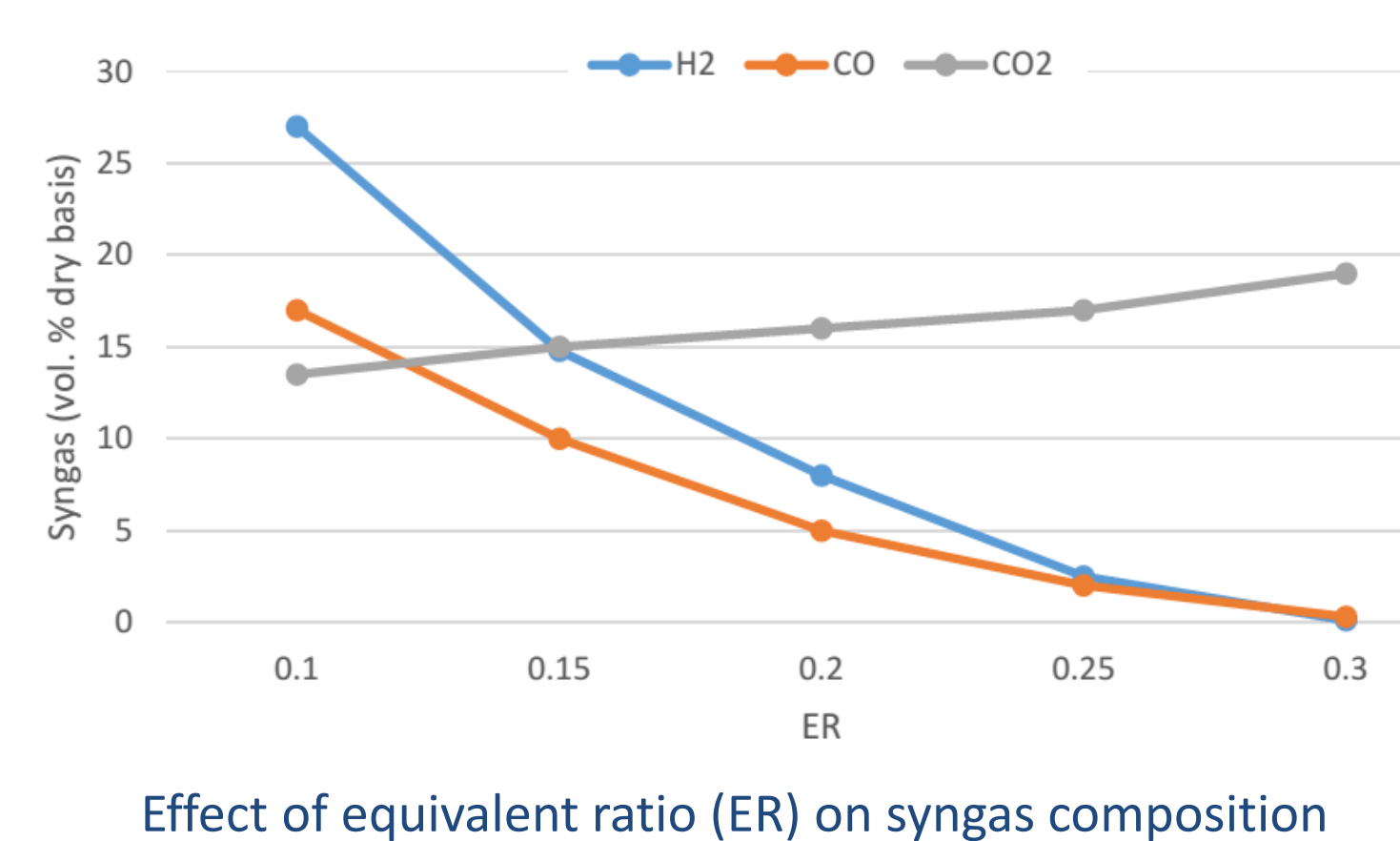
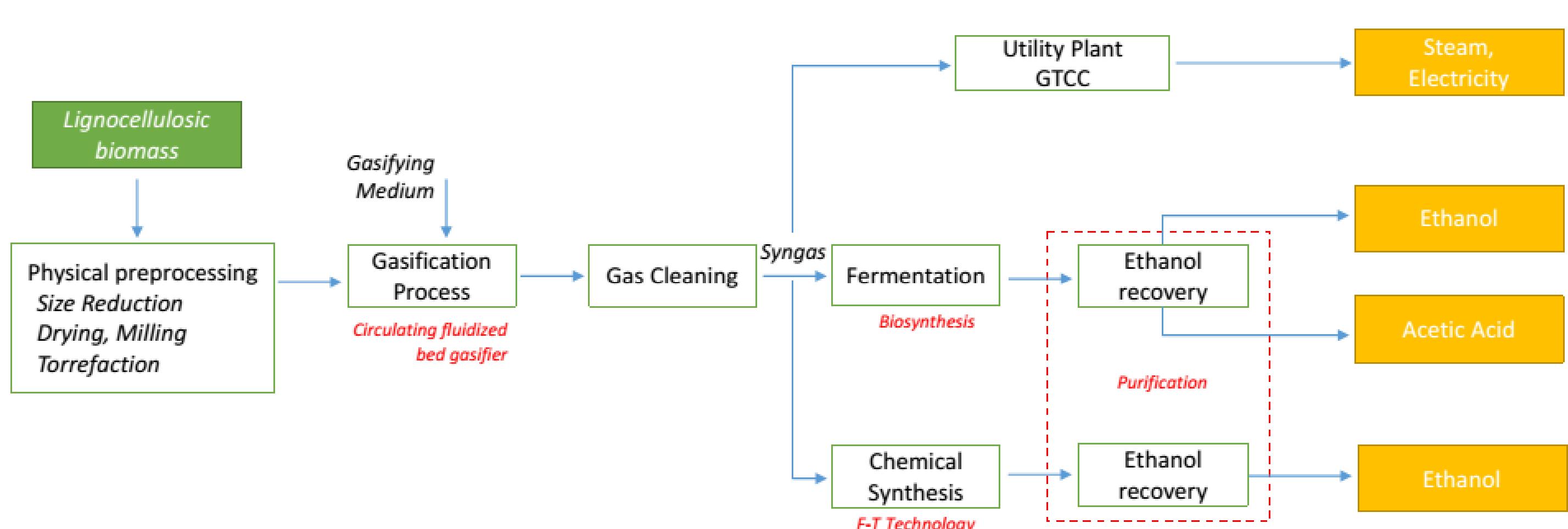
Pretreatment	Raw Material	Steam Explosion	Organosolv	Liquid Hot Water	SE+LHW
Exergy Efficiency (%)	1	91.0	83.3	93.3	94.4
	2	93.2	85.4	94.1	95.1
Destroyed Exergy Rate (MW)	1	13.5	39.9	9.4	8.5
	2	10.6	36.4	8.8	8.0
Input bagasse Exergy Rate (%)	1	9.9	29.2	6.8	6.2
	2	7.2	24.8	6.0	5.5

Raw material 1 (w/w):
cellulose 47.5%, hemicellulose 20%, lignin 30%, and ash 2.5%.

Raw material 2 (w/w):
cellulose 43.38%, hemicellulose 25.63%, lignin 23.24%, ash 2.94%, and extractives 4.81%.



Exergy analysis of thermochemical route of bioethanol production via sugarcane bagasse gasification



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