

# Två perspektiv på CO2 & kolcykelns roll för klimatförändringarna

Internationell klimatpolitik efter Paris:  
Mål för koldioxid och andra växthusgaser

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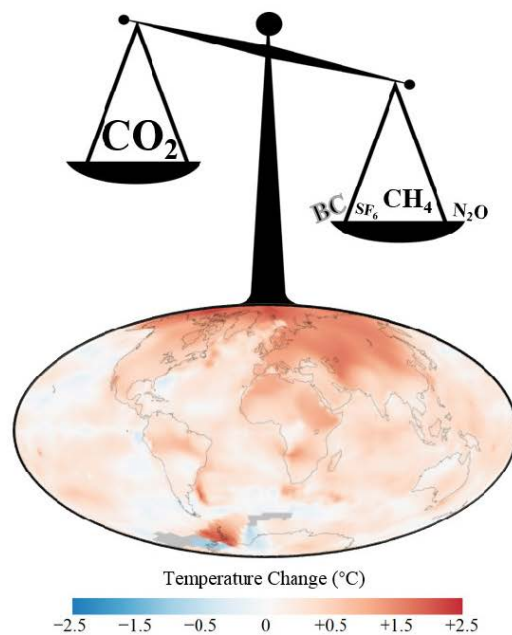
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# Metriker för klimatpåverkande ämnen

Tex. GWP:  
Global Warming Potential



Jämföra klimatpåverkande ämnen  
med en gemensam måttstock

# Utsläppsmetriken GWP

NYTT: Temperaturåterkoppling för andra ämnen  
(IPCC AR5)

$$\int_0^t \text{Uppvärmade effekt gas } x$$

$$GWP_x(t) = \frac{\int_0^t \text{Uppvärmade effekt gas } x}{\int_0^t \text{Uppvärmade effekt } \text{CO}_2}$$

Temperaturåterkoppling för CO<sub>2</sub>  
(IPCC)

$$\int_0^t \text{Uppvärmade effekt } \text{CO}_2$$

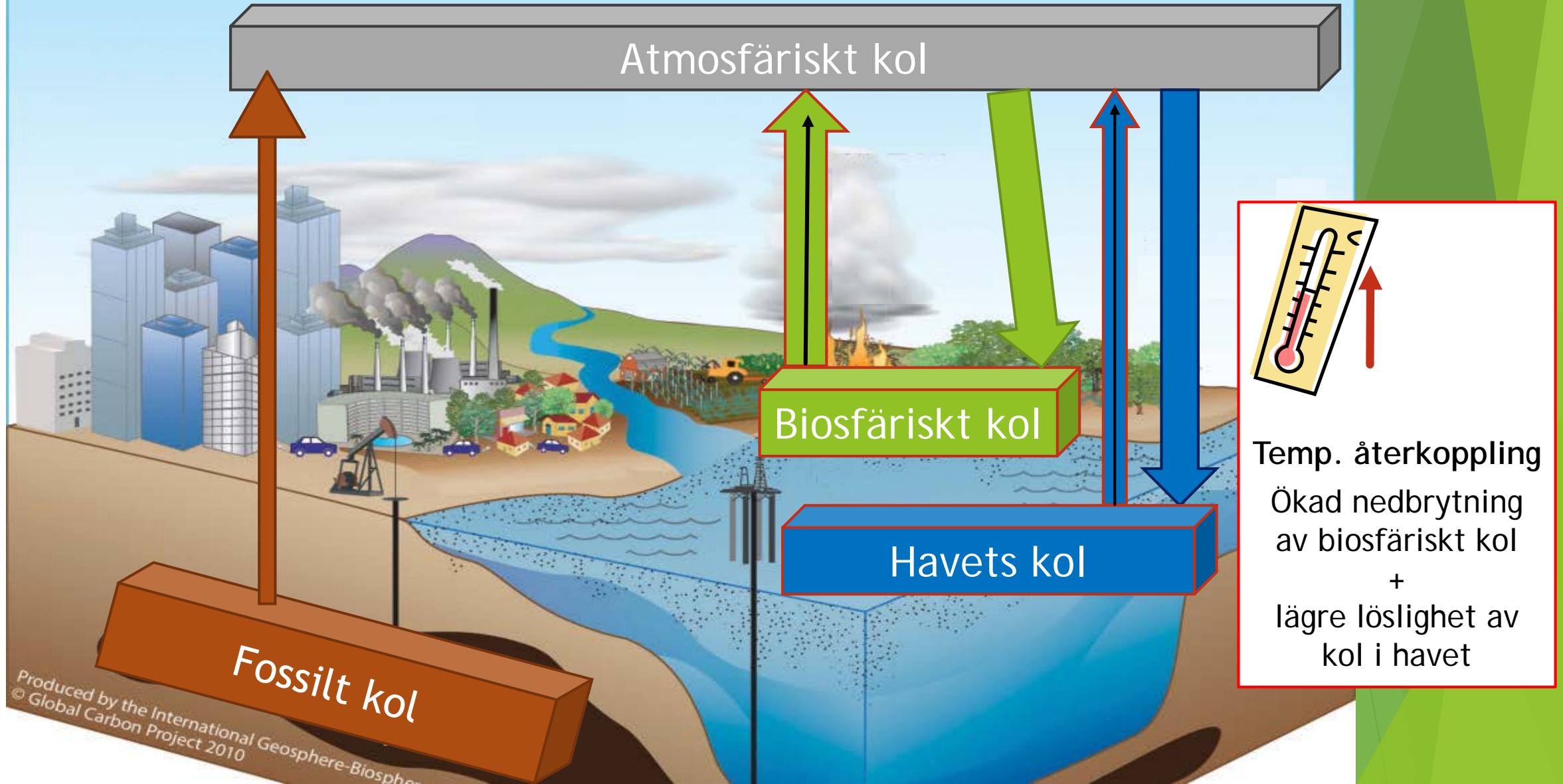
t=time horizon

Exempel: Metan  $GWP_{100} = 28 \rightarrow 34$

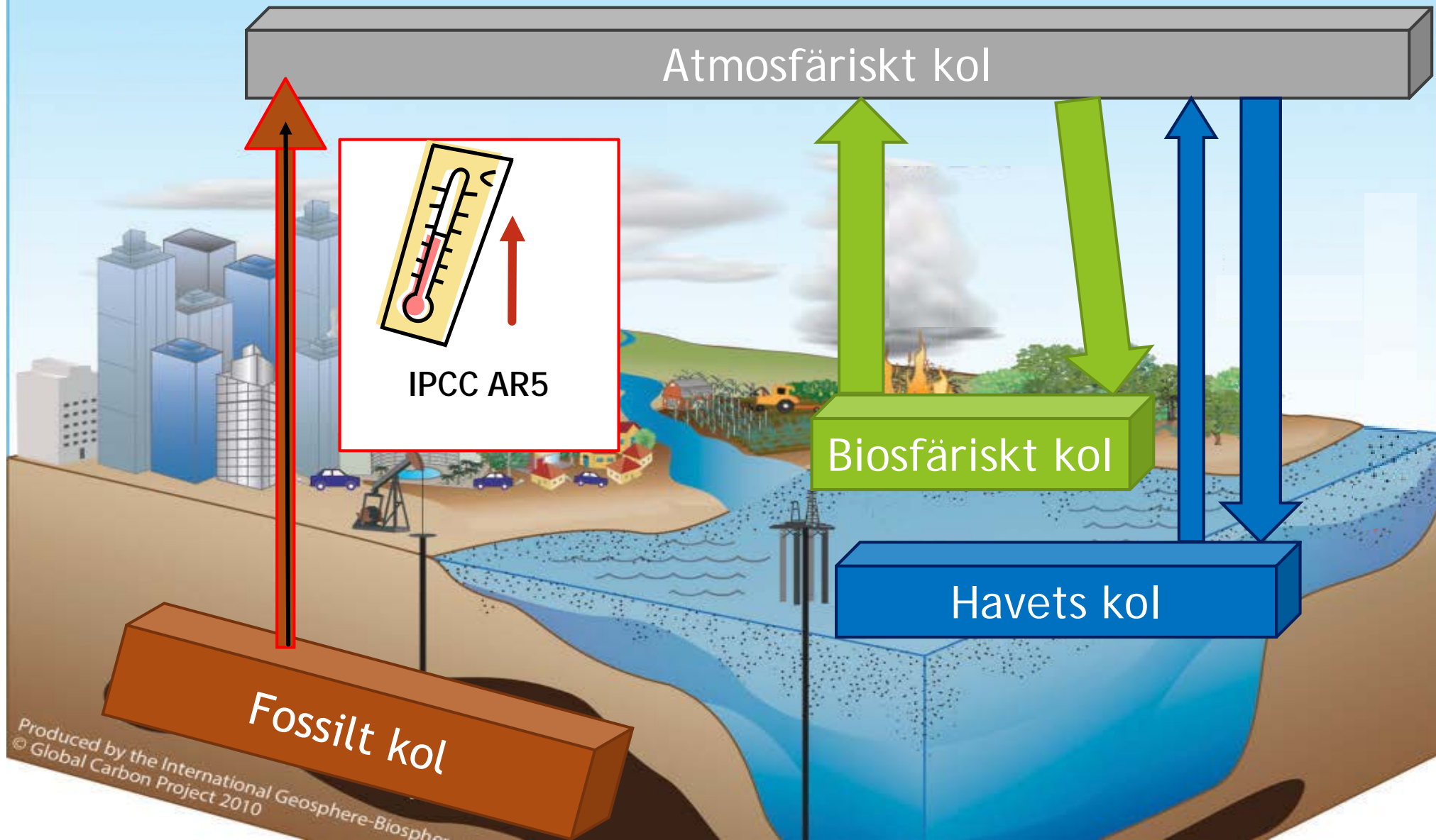
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# Slutsatser studie 1

## Vår metod

- ▶ Starkare återkoppling på kort sikt
- ▶ Svagare på lång sikt

## IPCC's metod

- ▶ En andel av den "temperatur-skapade" CO<sub>2</sub>-tillskottet "stannar" i atmosfären praktiskt taget för evigt
- ▶ Metrikvärden med långa tidshorisonter för kortlivade ämnen påverkas mest

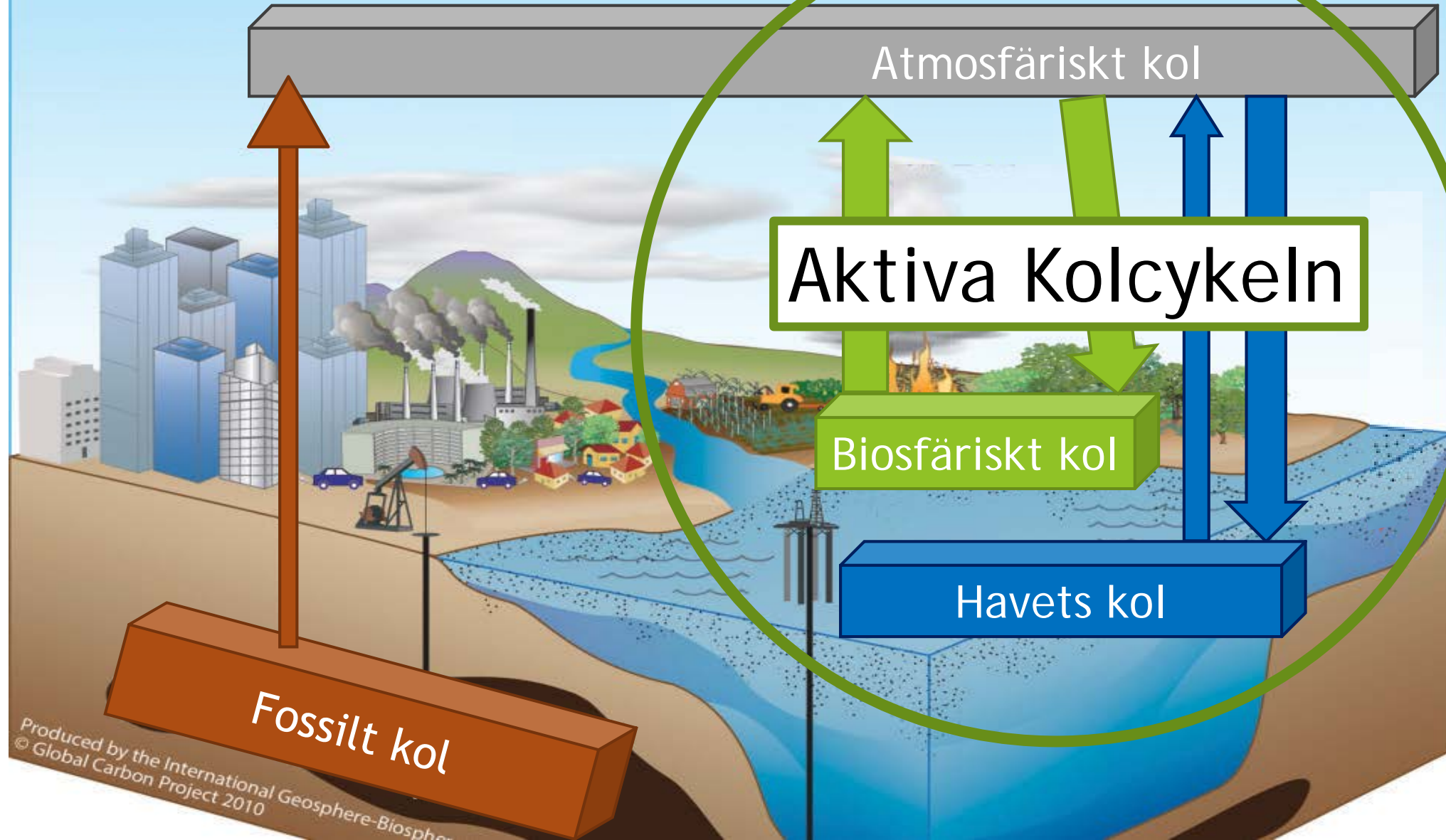
Exempel resultat: Metan GWP			
Metod	20 år	100 år	500 år
Vår	93	35	9.6
IPCC	88	33	13

*(Black carbon osv)*

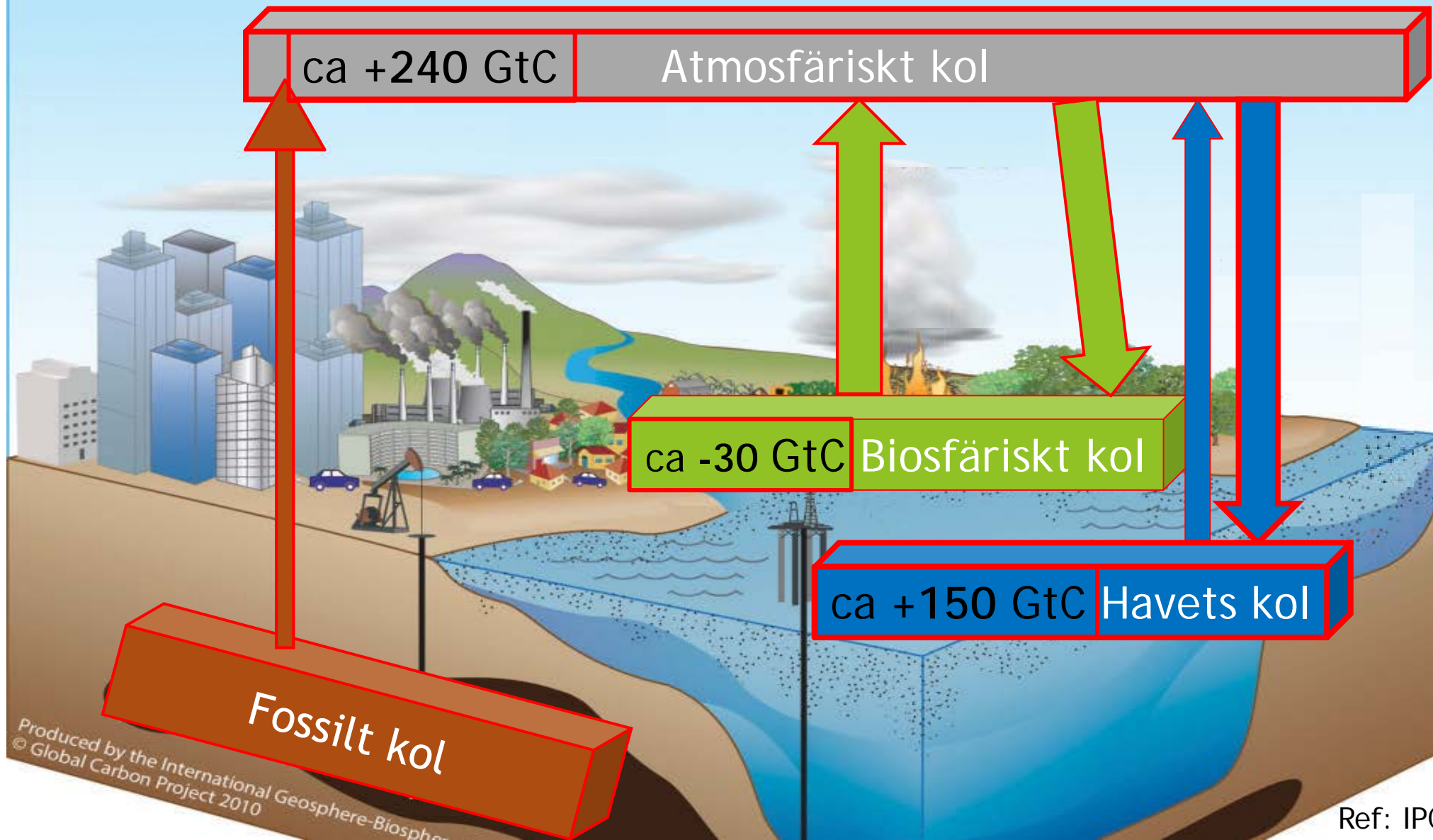
## Studie 2

Förstår allmänheten ansamlingen av CO<sub>2</sub> i atmosfären?

# Mänsklig påverkan av den globala kolcykeln



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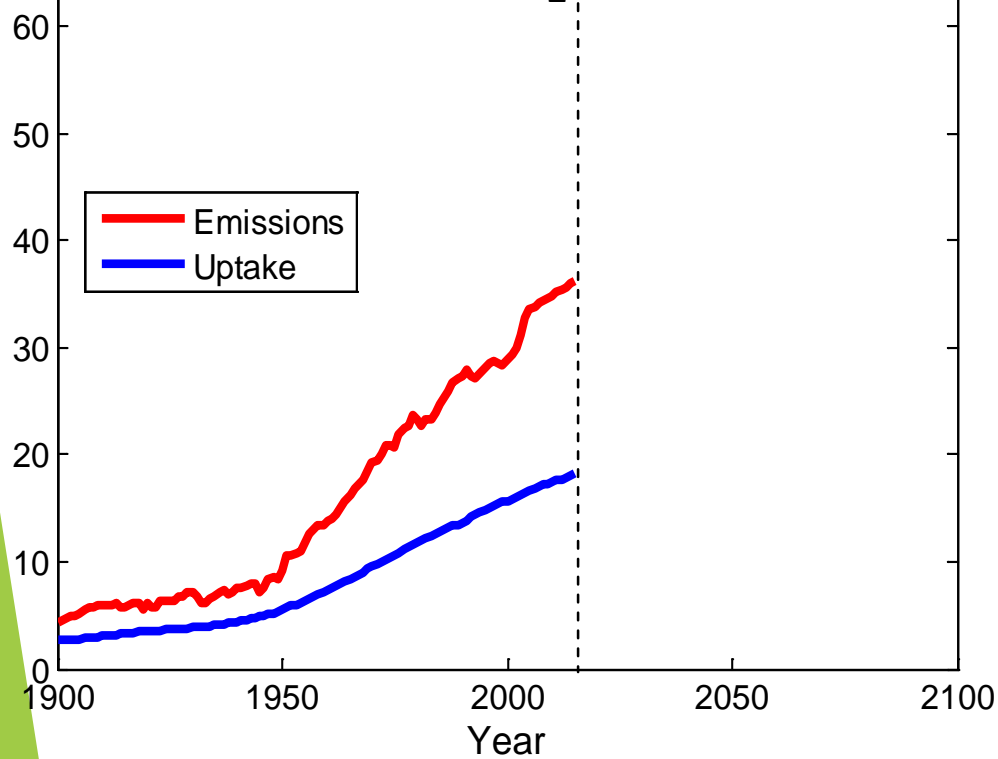
# Förstår allmänheten ansamlingen av CO<sub>2</sub> i atmosfären?

- ▶ Tidigare forskning indikerar att även välutbildade personer inte förstår hur CO<sub>2</sub> utsläpp påverkar mängden CO<sub>2</sub> i atmosfären
- ▶ Vilket innebär att människor inte förstår varför CO<sub>2</sub> utsläppen i princip måste upphöra för ett givet temperaturmål
- ▶ Frågor
  1. Stämmer detta?
  2. Vad för typ av förståelse rör det sig om?
  3. Är detta en anledning till begränsat stöd för kraftig klimatpolitik?
  4. (Hur resonerar människor här?)

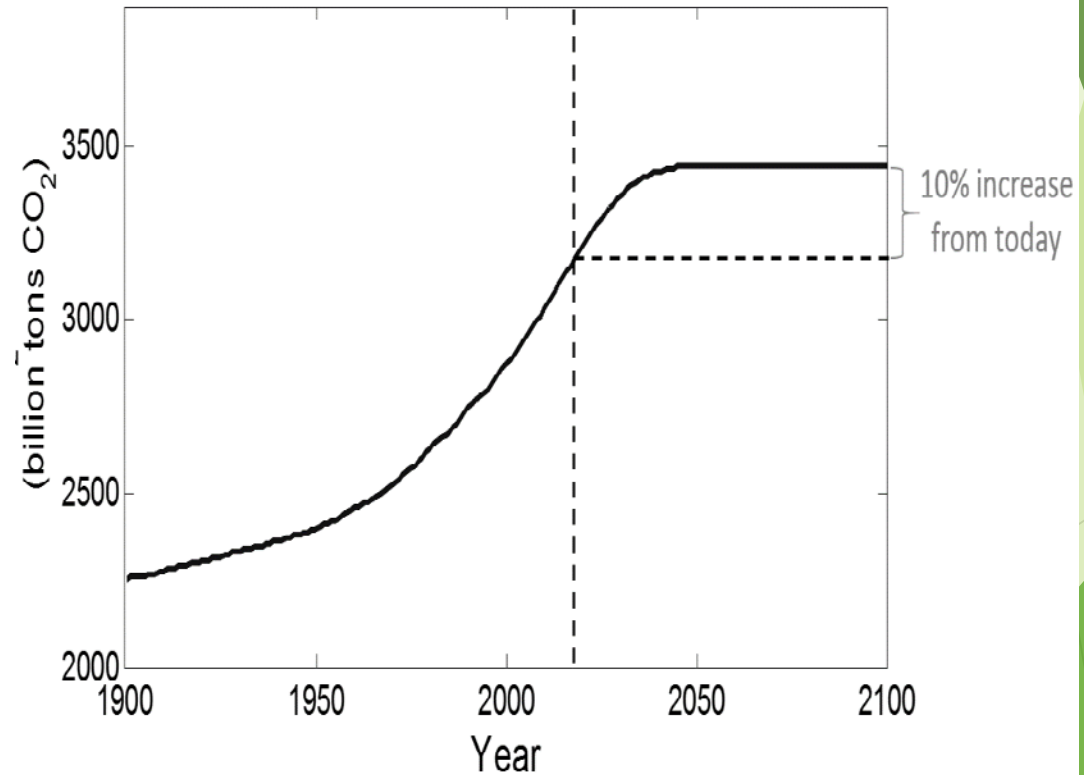
# Uppgift - CO<sub>2</sub> stabiliseringsscenario

## CO<sub>2</sub> utsläpp och upptag

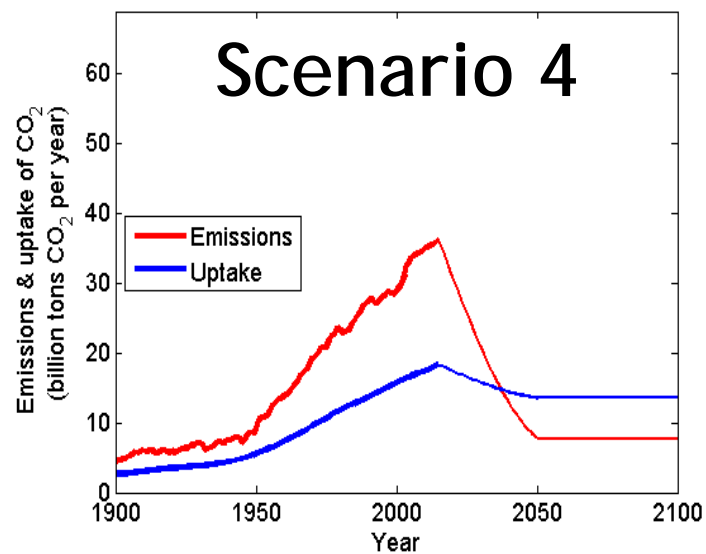
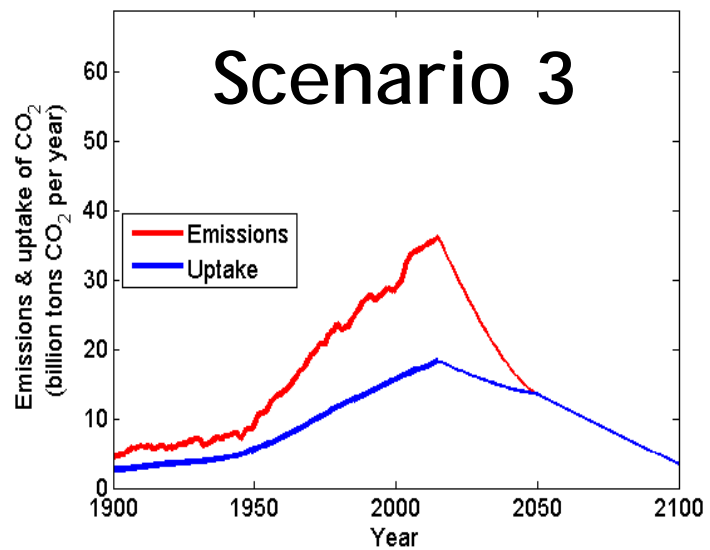
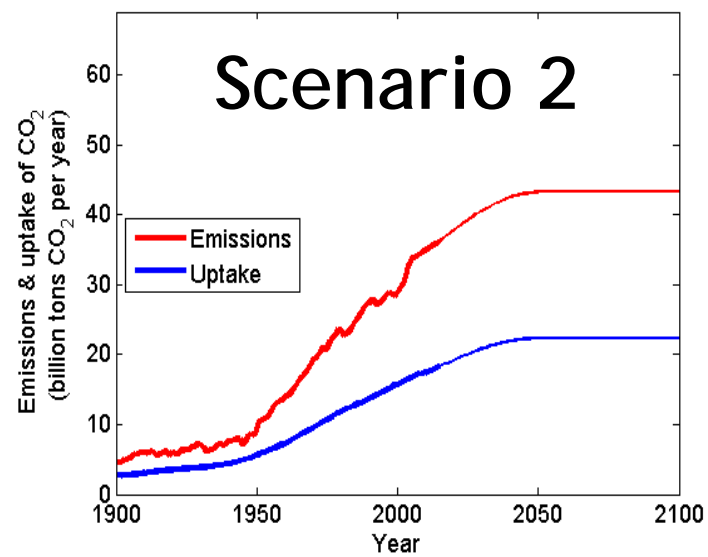
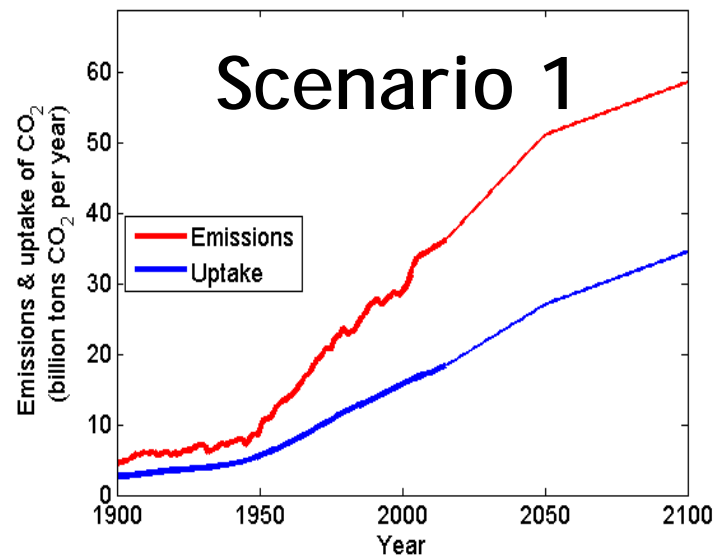
(miljarder ton CO<sub>2</sub> per år)



## Mängd CO<sub>2</sub> i atmosfären

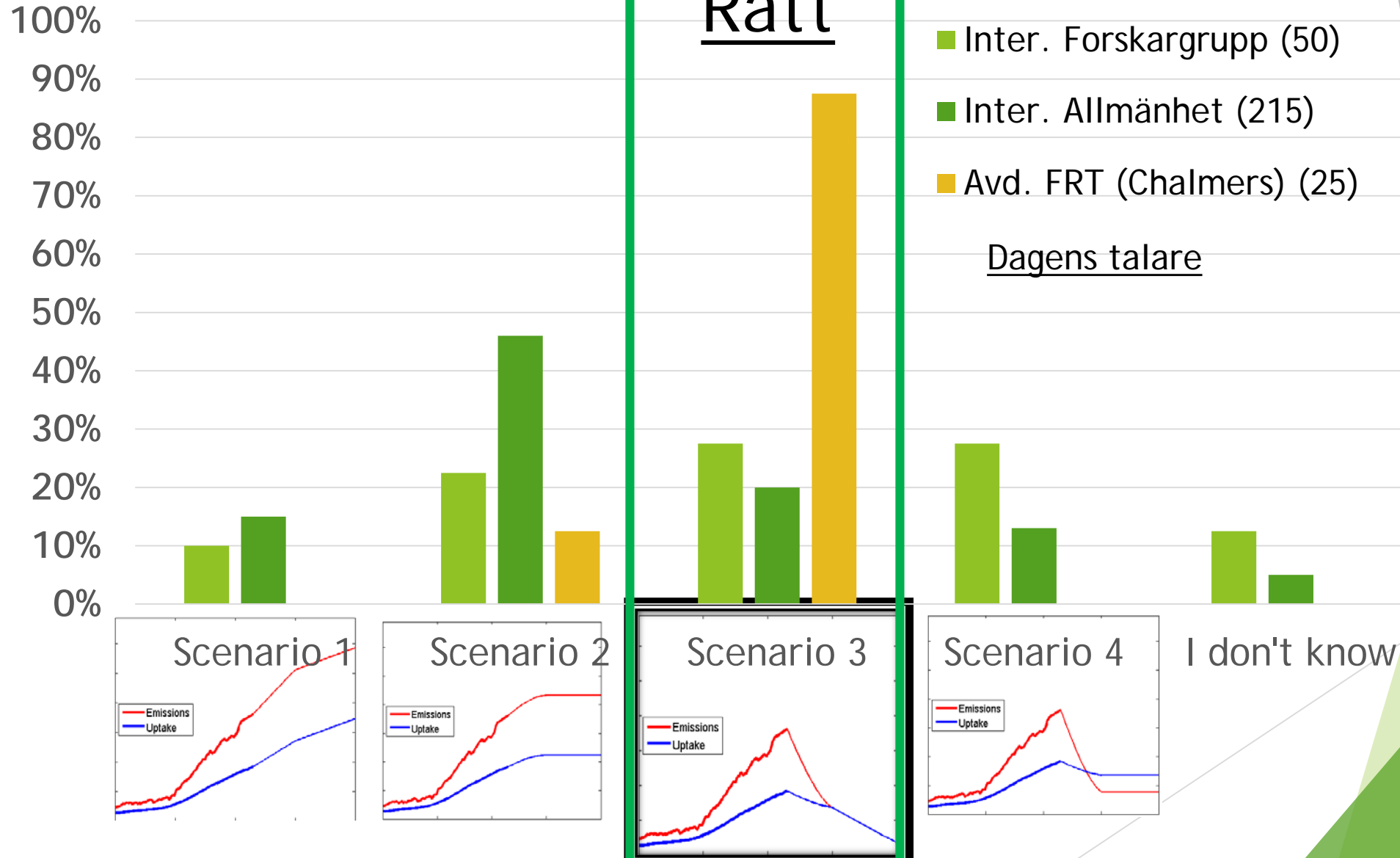


# Vilket utsläpps & upptags-scenarion uppnår CO<sub>2</sub> stabilisering?



# Svar på CO<sub>2</sub> uppgift

Rätt

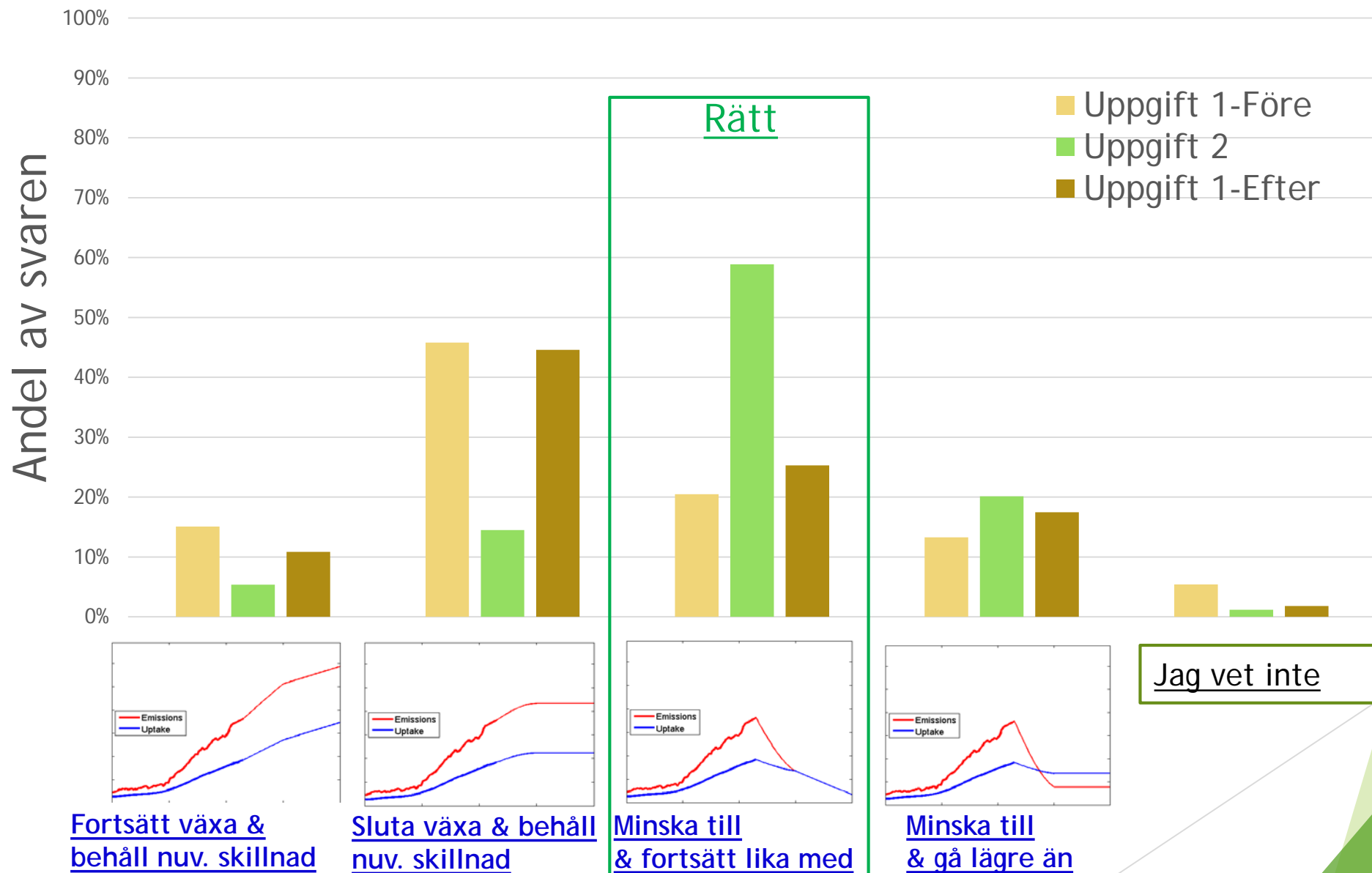




## Uppgit 2 - Principfråga

Vad krävs av relationen mellan utsläpp och upptag för att mängden CO<sub>2</sub> ska stabiliseras i framtiden?

## Prestation Uppgift 1 för och efter uppgift 2



# Klimatpolitisk fråga

Which of the following statements comes closest to your personal view?

- 94% -Strong & immediate action to reduce emissions of GHGs today, to reduce future climate impacts.
- 4% -Moderate & immediate action
- 2% -Action in the future, in response to climate impacts
- 0% -No action
- 0%- I don't know/I haven't formed an opinion

Tydlig koppling mellan  
prestation-stöd för politik  
saknas

# Slutsatser studie 2

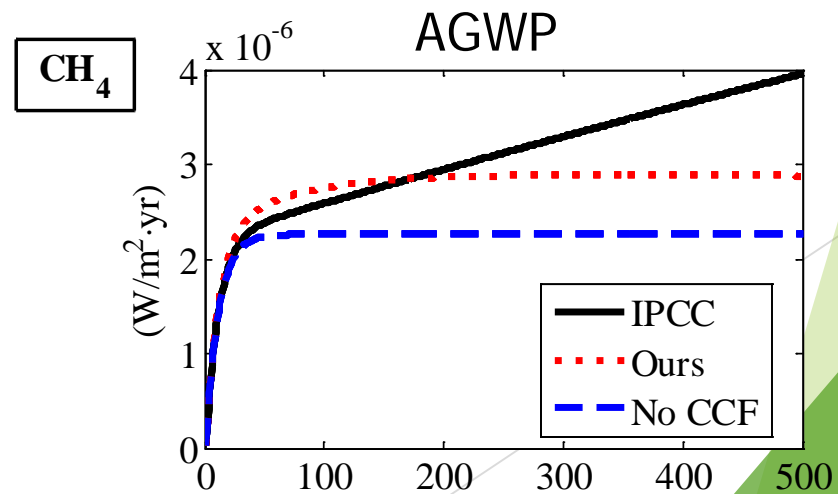
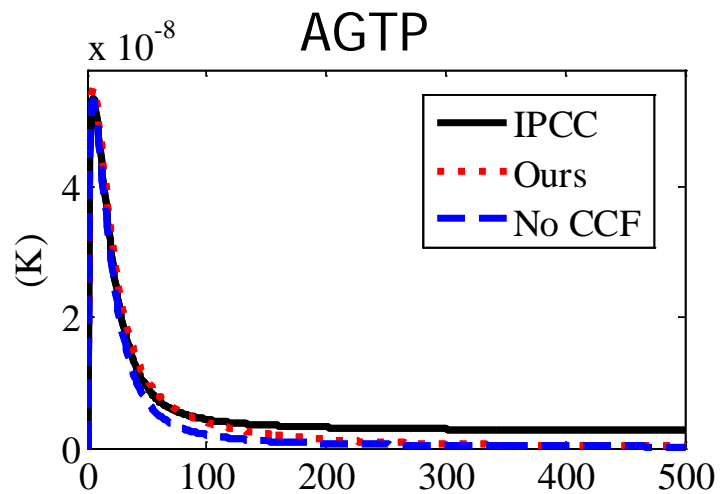
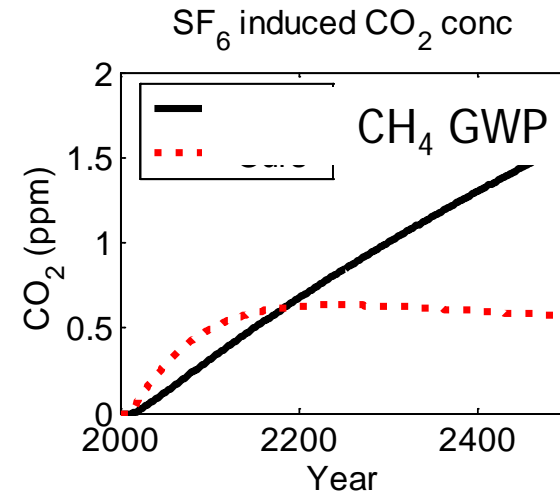
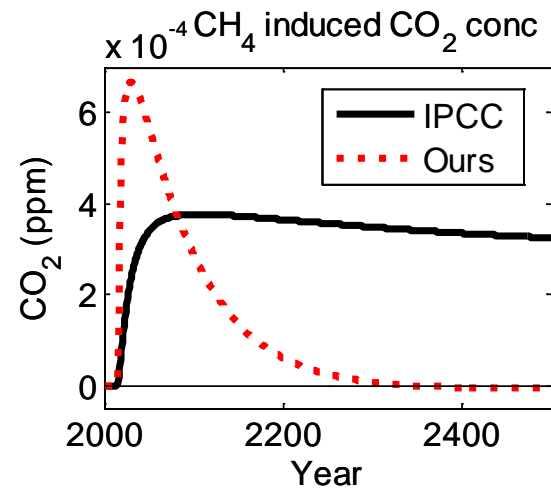
- ▶ Vissa CO2 uppgifter är utmanande...  
men majoriteten vet hur principen fungerar givet lite hjälp på traven
- ▶ Det är inte nödvändigt att prestera bra på uppgift 1 för att stödja en kraftfull klimatpolitik
- ▶ (Sätten att resonera varierar kraftigt)...

Tack för er uppmärksamhet och deltagande!

Extra slides

## Results

Approach	20 years	100 years	500 years
Ours	93	35	9.6
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# Types and qualities of

- ▶ *Declarative* knowledge (knowing *what*)
- ▶ *Procedural* knowledge (knowing *how*)
- ▶ *Situational* knowledge (knowing *when*)



# Reasoning

Explain briefly how you reasoned when answering choosing to keep or change your answer?

# In this category the students' answer focus on...

## System thinking

- ▶ the system or a relationship between emissions and uptake for CO<sub>2</sub> stabilization.

## Pattern thinking (Correlation heuristic)

- ▶ a direct pattern matching or connection between the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere and the emissions and or the uptake.

## Phenomena thinking

- ▶ information or thoughts related to the phenomena studied that are not required for solving the SF task.

# Examples of students' reasoning...

## ▶ System thinking

- ▶ "The difference between both curves should equal a 10% increase and then remain constant" [ $A=E-U$ ]
- ▶ "For a stable level of CO<sub>2</sub>, the emission should be the same as the uptake. When someone leaves 3 apples in front of your door every day, but you can only eat 2 per day, the number of apples will grow. The one apple that you leave every day won't disappear magically! It's the same with flow charts."

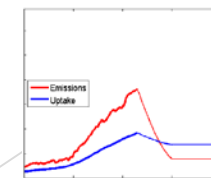
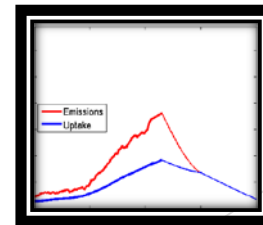
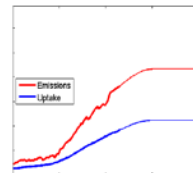
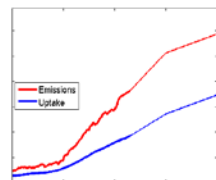
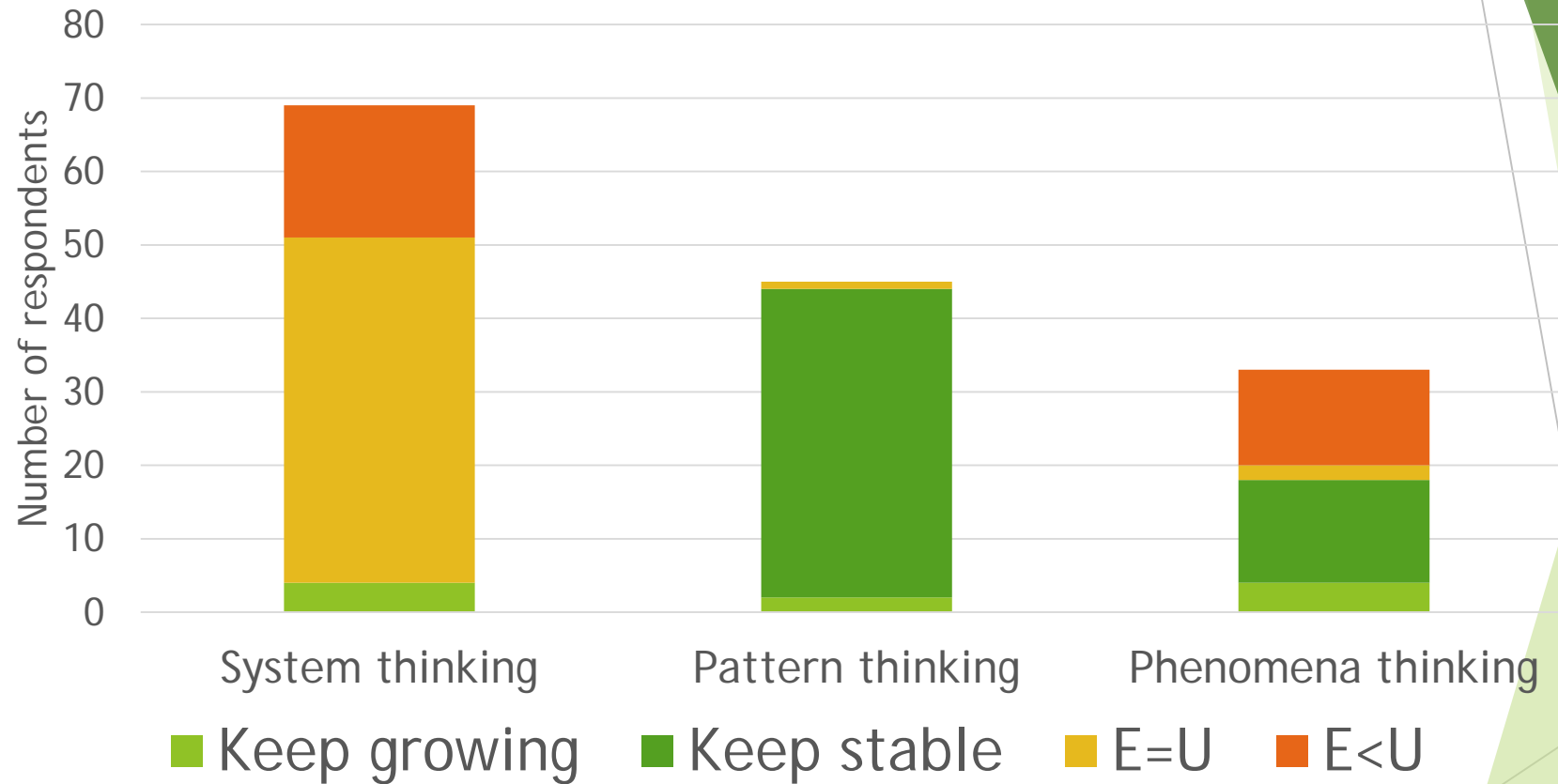
## ▶ Pattern thinking (correlation heuristic)

- ▶ "if CO<sub>2</sub> stabilizes then everything stabilizes",
- ▶ "Emissions rise about 10% and then level."

## ▶ Phenomena thinking

- ▶ "Already there is a difference between uptake of emissions by 18 Billion tons per year. So if we want to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> so it has to be reduced and we have to increase the uptake by increasing forest."

# Answer alternative per reasoning category



# Mitigation policy question

Which of the following statements comes closest to your personal view?

Incorrect on T1

94-Society should take **strong** action to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases today, to reduce future climate impacts.

5-Society should take **moderate** actions to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases today, to reduce future climate impacts.

2-Society should reduce emissions of greenhouse gases in the future, in response to climate impacts as they actually occur.

1-Society should not take **any** steps to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases (such as CO<sub>2</sub>).

1-I don't know/I haven't formed an opinion

Correct on T1

33

-0

-1

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Connection to understanding/performance on T1 doubtful

# IPCC uses this study for CO<sub>2</sub> impulse response function

20-25% remain in the atmosphere for a very long time

