

Geoscientific Perspective
**Brazilian Sedimentary Basins and the
Potential and Risks for CO₂ Storage in Saline
Reservoir**

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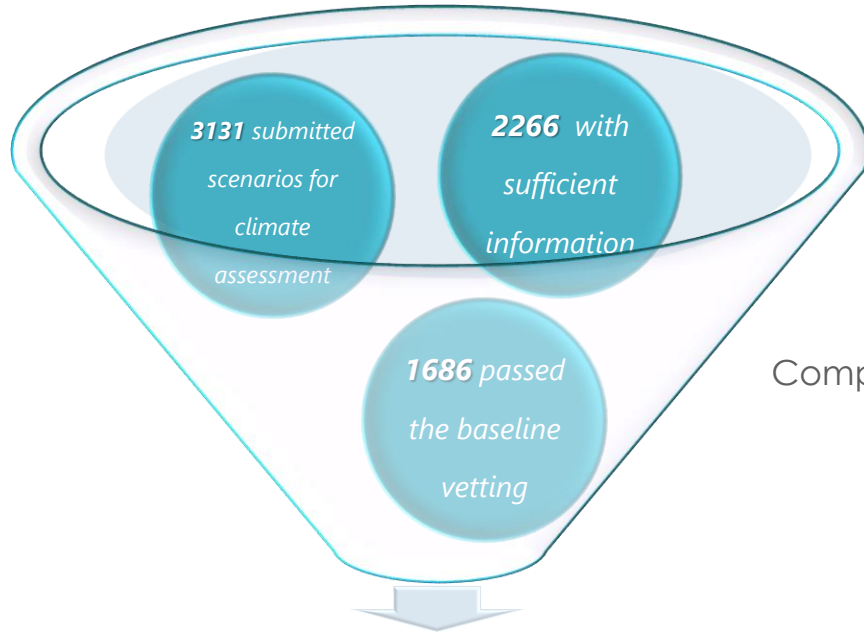
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There are seven Illustrated Mitigation Paths (IMP) from the AR6 scenario, one of which is Brazilian and was developed at the academy (**COOFFE MODEL**).

Available at Annex III Table II.3: <https://data.ece.iiasa.ac.at/ar6/#/about>

Integrated Assessment Models (IAMs)

IAMs have been crucial for IPCC reports and are being utilized in policymaking.



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COFFEE MODEL – GLOBAL => IPCC

Computable Integrated Framework for Energy and the Environment

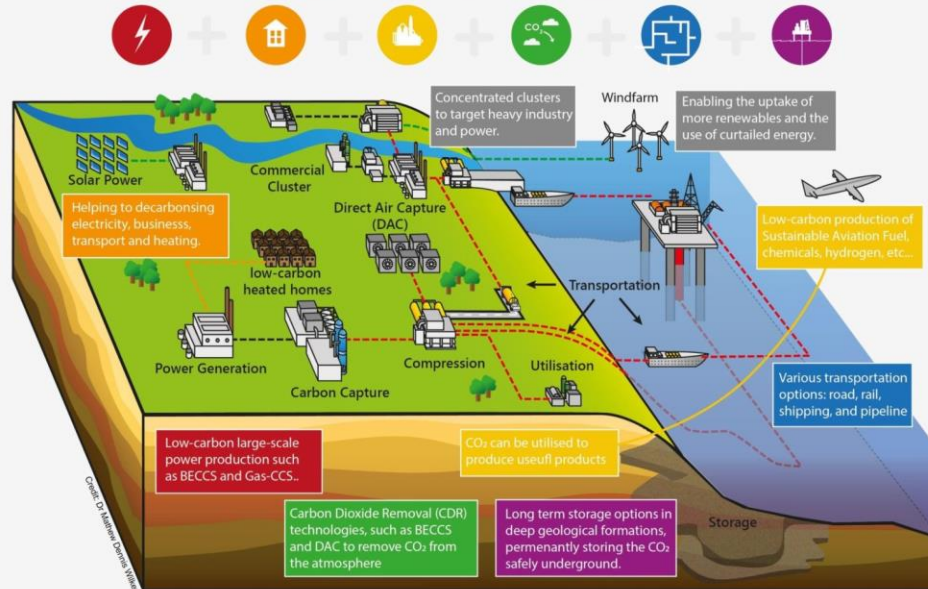
BLUES MODEL – BRAZIL => BRAZILIAN NDC

Brazilian Land-Use and Energy Systems model

[Brazil_Second Nationally Determined Contribution \(NDC\)_November2024.pdf](#)

CCUS & Net Zero

Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS) enables the production of low-carbon power, decarbonised heating and industry, and carbon dioxide removal technologies, to prevent/remove CO₂ from the atmosphere and transport it to safe and secure storage sites. Ensuring a smooth transition to Net Zero by 2050.



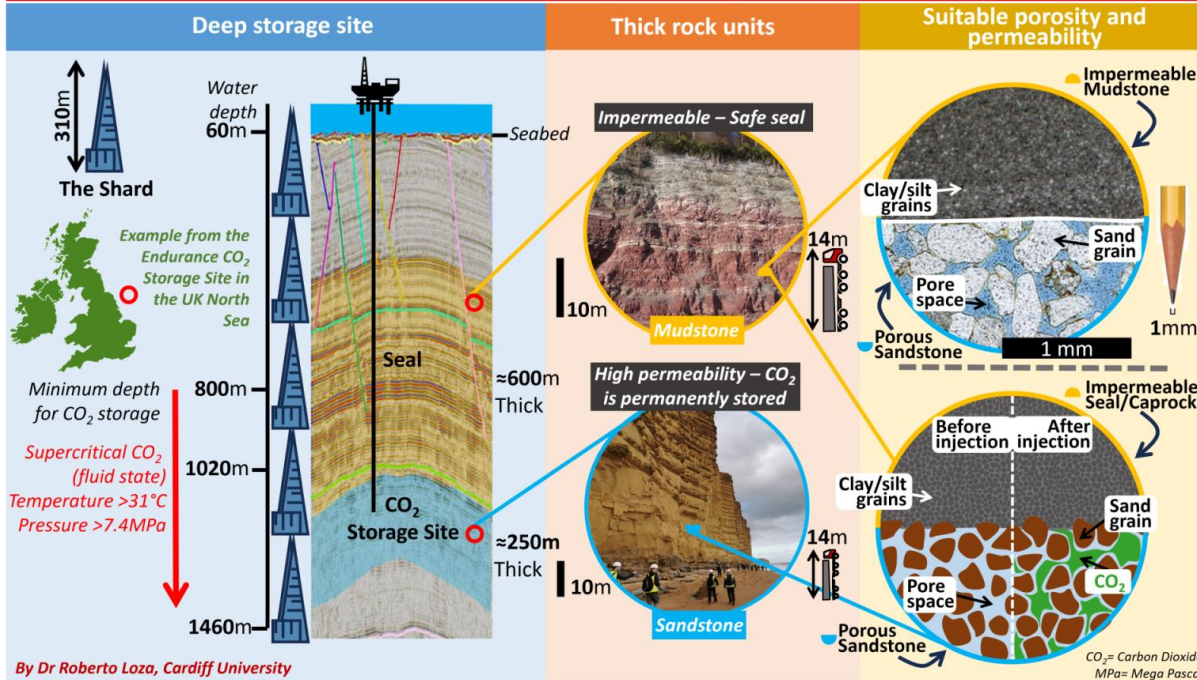
Wilkes, M. (2023) CCUS & Net Zero Illustration.

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“The choice to replace fossil fuels with biofuels allows potentially for the medium and long-term development of biofuel technology routes associated with **CCS** to produce negative emissions, since removals in the Land Use Change and Forestry sector alone will not be enough to offset the remaining emissions. This will depend, however, of the economic and technical feasibility of these new technologies in the medium and long term”.

[Brazil. Second Nationally Determined Contribution \(NDC\). November2024.pdf](#) (pg. 30)

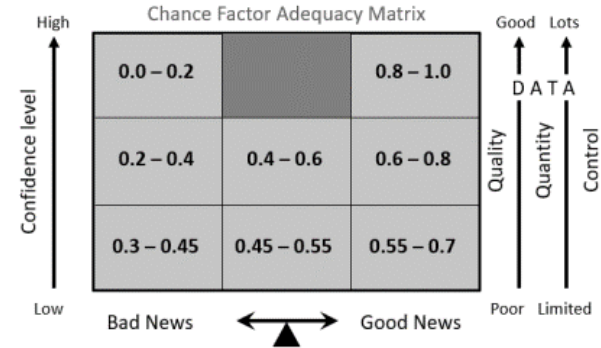
What is needed to safely store CO₂ underground?



Loza, R. (2023).

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Estimating the Chance (Pg)



Source: Rose & Associates (2023)

| UNCERTAINTY | RISK | FACTOR |
|--|---|---------------|
| How large is the overall storage efficiency? | If low: CO ₂ plume will be larger and more mobile. | Geometry |
| Is the aquifer/reservoir open or confined (closed)? | Is the aquifer/reservoir open or confined (closed)? | |
| To what extent is the reservoir compartmentalized? | Small compartments: lower efficiency. Rapid pressure increase | |
| How effective are updip fault seals? | If faults are not sealing: no buoyancy trapping against faults | |
| Is there a structural or stratigraphic trapping component? | Absence of a trap reduces trapping efficiency | |
| How much could the injection pressure increase? | Increase: lower storage efficiency, reduced injection rates. | |
| How many small-scale heterogeneities are expected? | If few heterogeneities: low residual trapping efficiency | Heterogeneity |
| How many vertical migration feeder points are expected? | If few: low storage efficiency, plume not expanding vertically | |
| How many vertical heterogeneities are expected? | If few: low storage efficiency, plume not expanding laterally | |
| Are there permeability fairways in the reservoir? | If permeability fairways: increased directional migration of CO ₂ | |
| Are there intermediate shale layers that can act as baffles? | If not: CO ₂ won't spread out and fill a larger reservoir volume. | |
| How large is the saturation of immobile in-situ fluids that cannot be displaced by CO ₂ ? | More immobile in-situ fluids: reduced microscopic displacement efficiency, hence storage efficiency | Pore Scale |
| How uniform are pore capillary entry pressures? | If uniform: lower residual trapping efficiency | |
| How large are the pore throat radii, wettability, and interfacial tension? | Unfavorable values minimize residual trapping. Upward migration rate may be expectedly high. | |
| How much CO ₂ trapped will dissolve in brine/HC, and how fast? | Poor solubility and/or slow dissolution: less CO ₂ trapped How much CO ₂ trapped | |

Storage Efficiency (E_s)

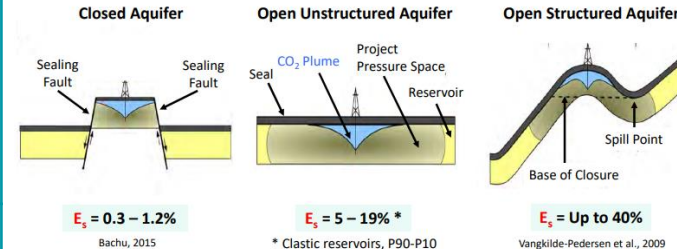
- Storage efficiency is the fraction of total pore volume filled by CO₂

$$M_{CO_2} = A \times h \times N/G \times \phi \times \rho_{CO_2r} \times E_s \quad \text{Where} \quad E_s = E_d \times E_v$$

$$Mass = \text{Net Pore Volume} \times \text{Density} \times \text{Storage Efficiency}$$

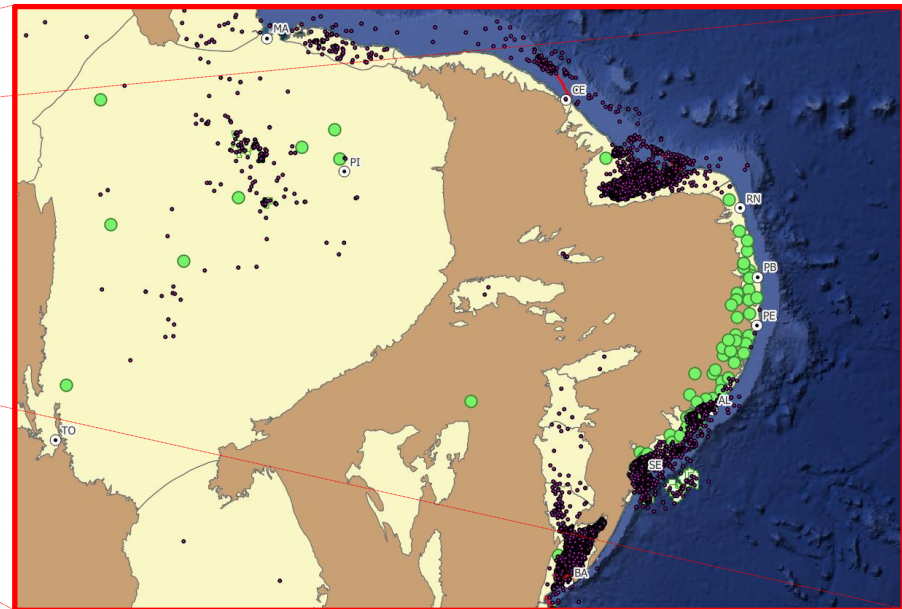
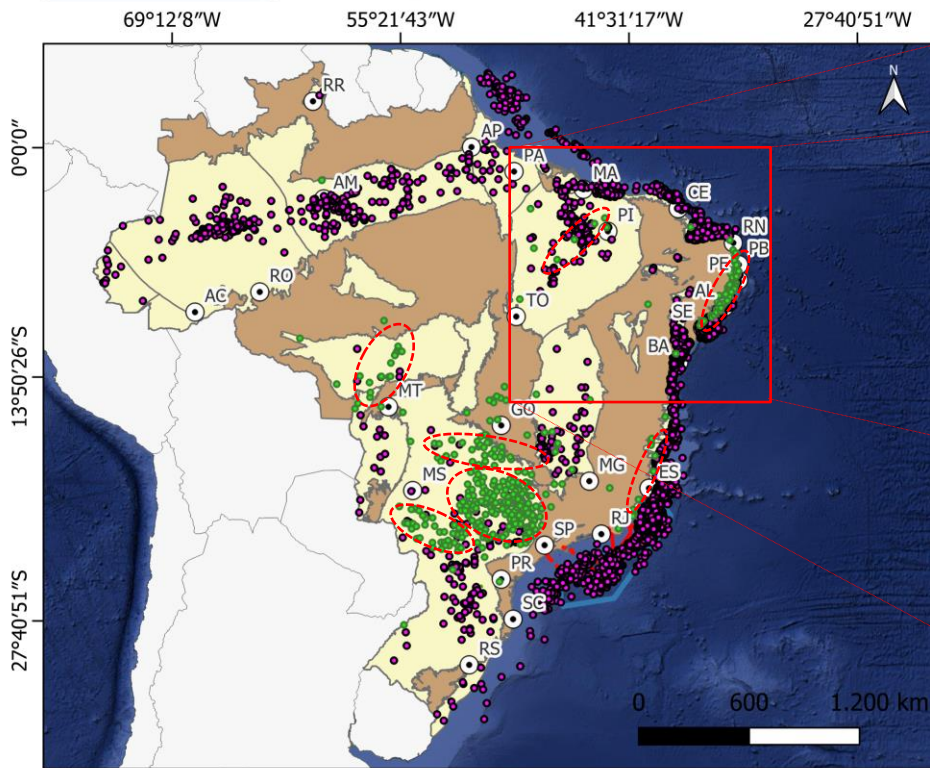
- Storage efficiency is the product of:
 - Microscopic displacement efficiency, E_d
 - Volumetric displacement efficiency, E_v



E_s Values Depend on Reservoir Configuration

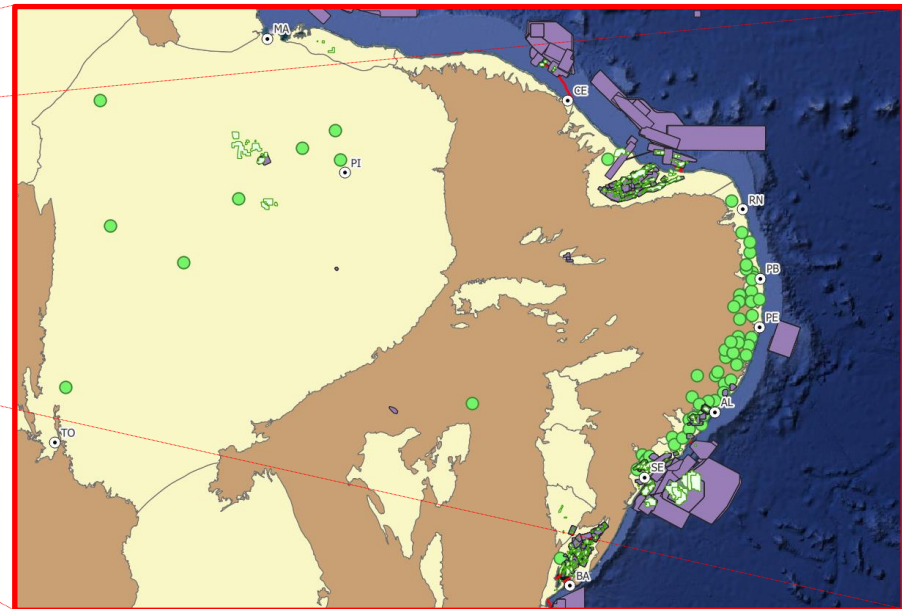
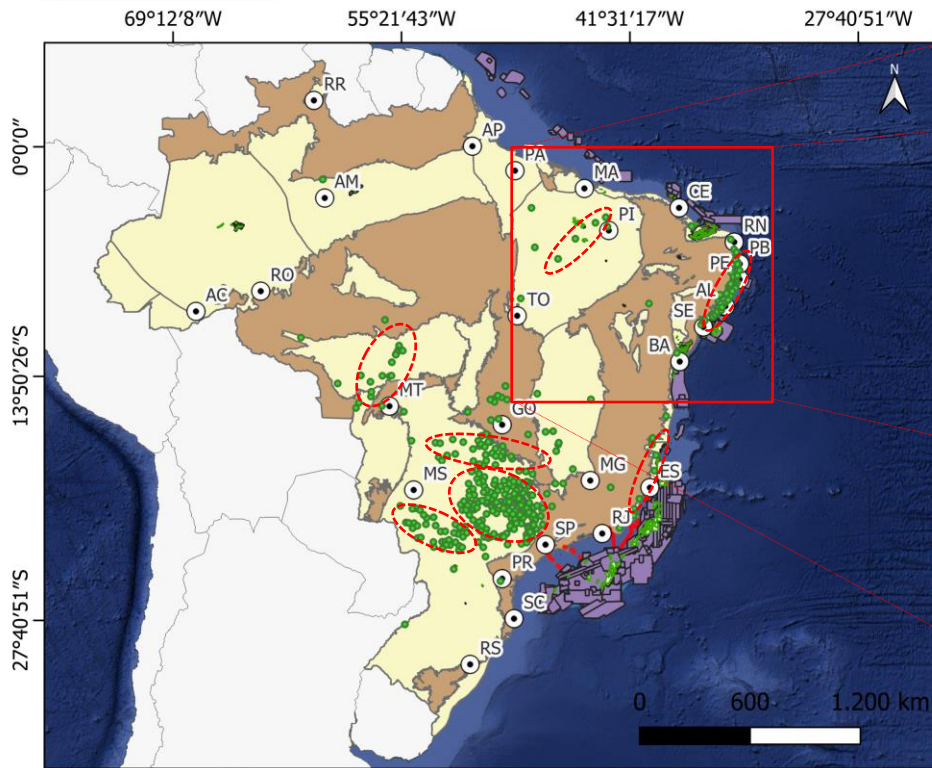




Source: Bump & Hovorka, (2023)



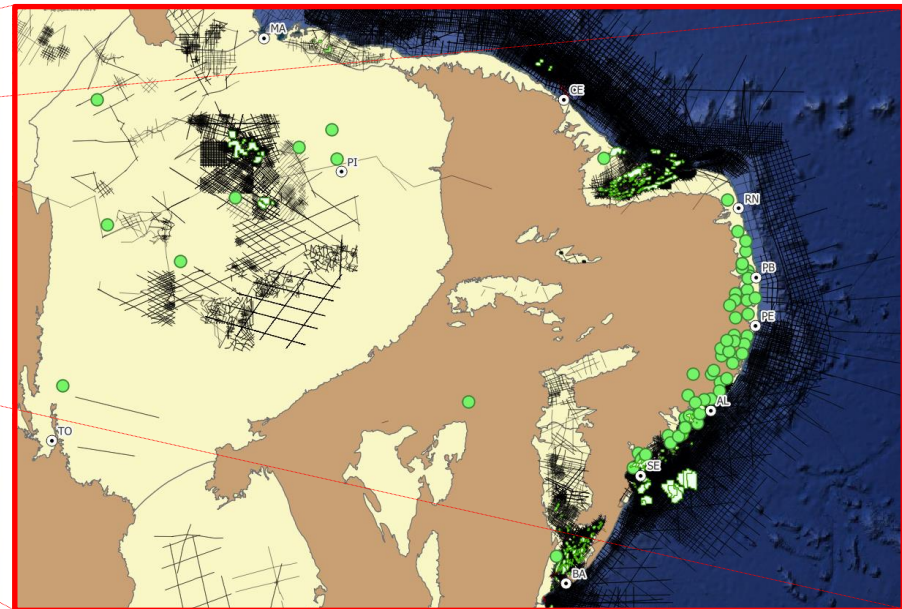
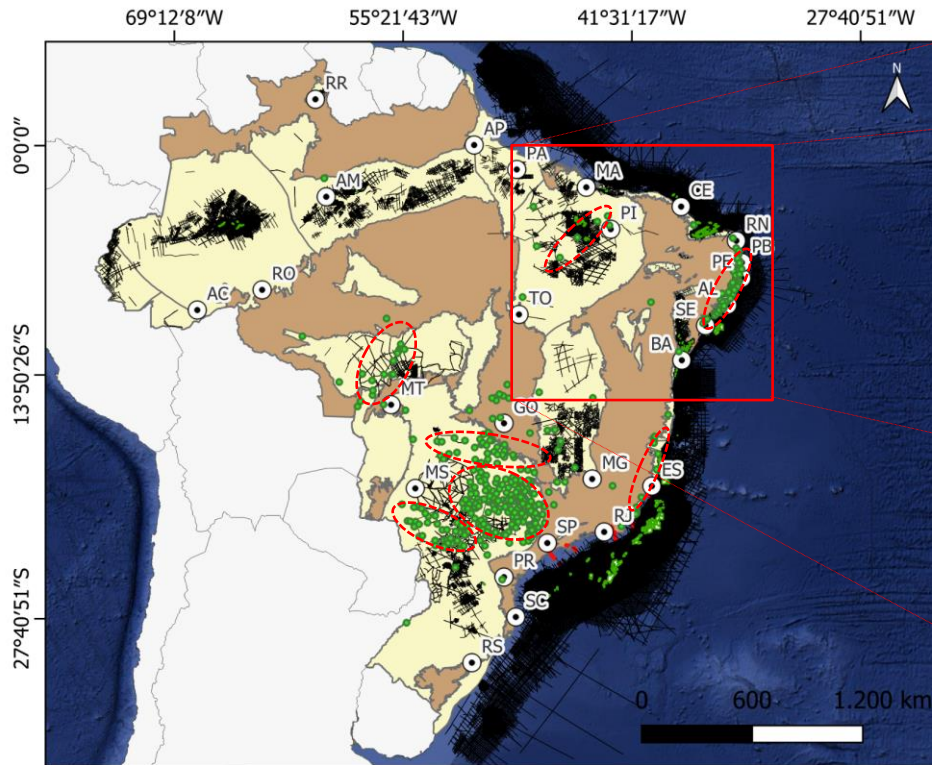




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-  Wells

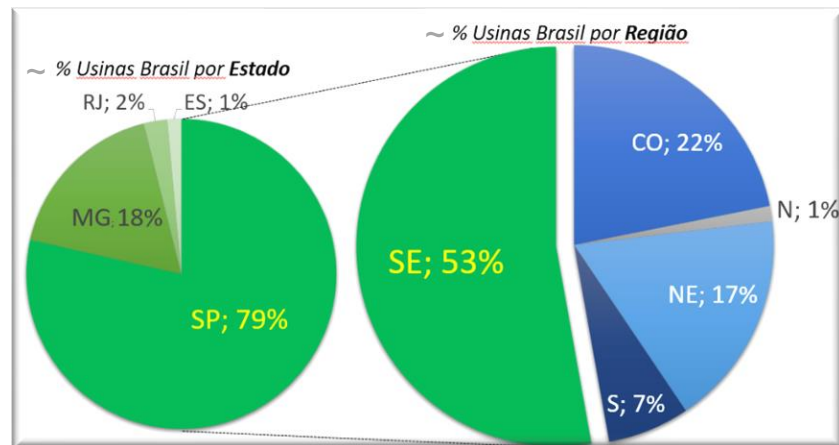
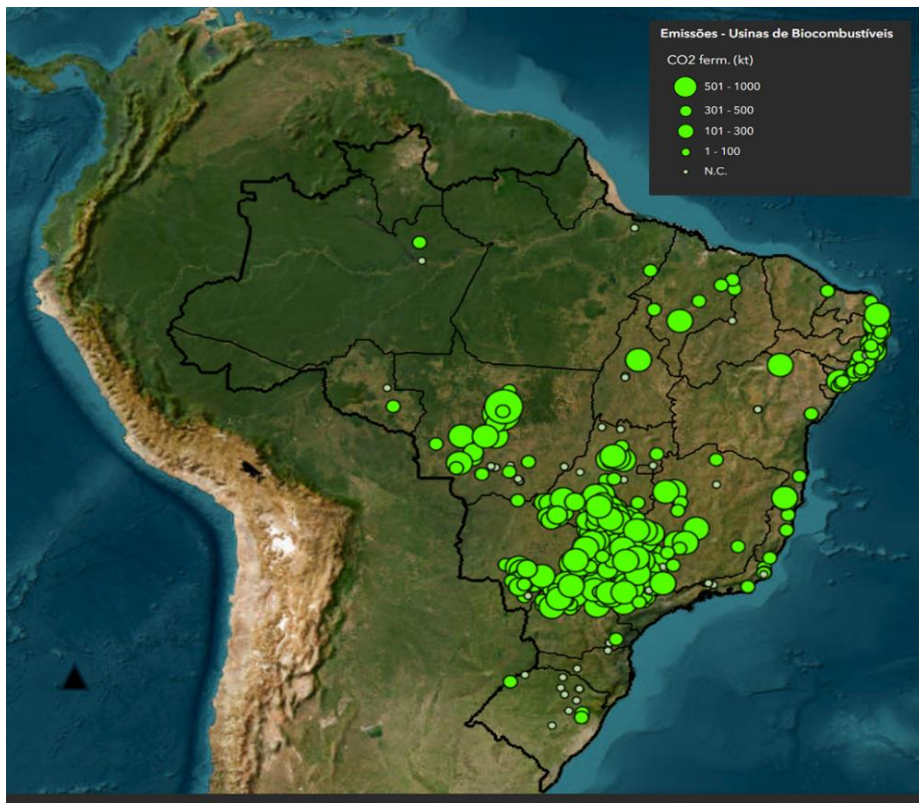


-  Ethanol Plant
-  3D Seismic Data

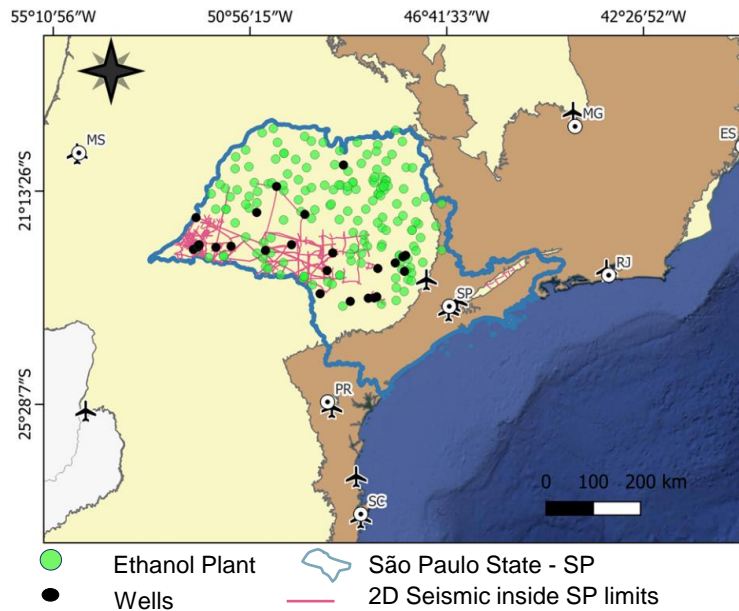
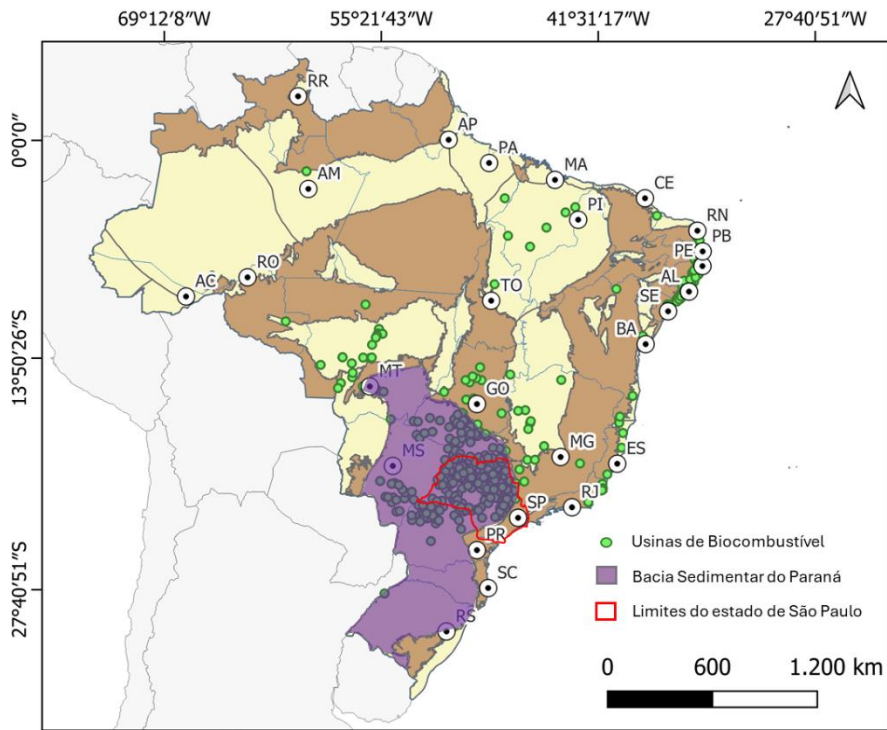
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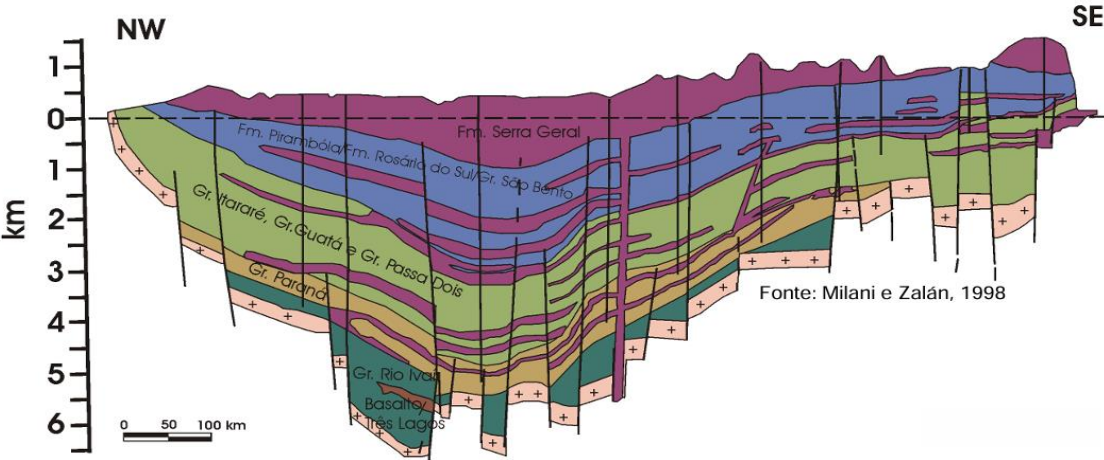


-  Ethanol Plant
-  2D Seismic Data



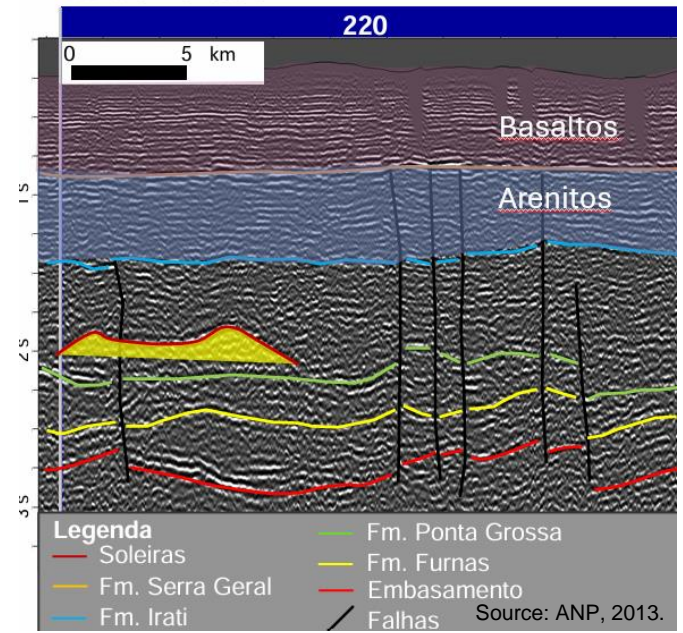
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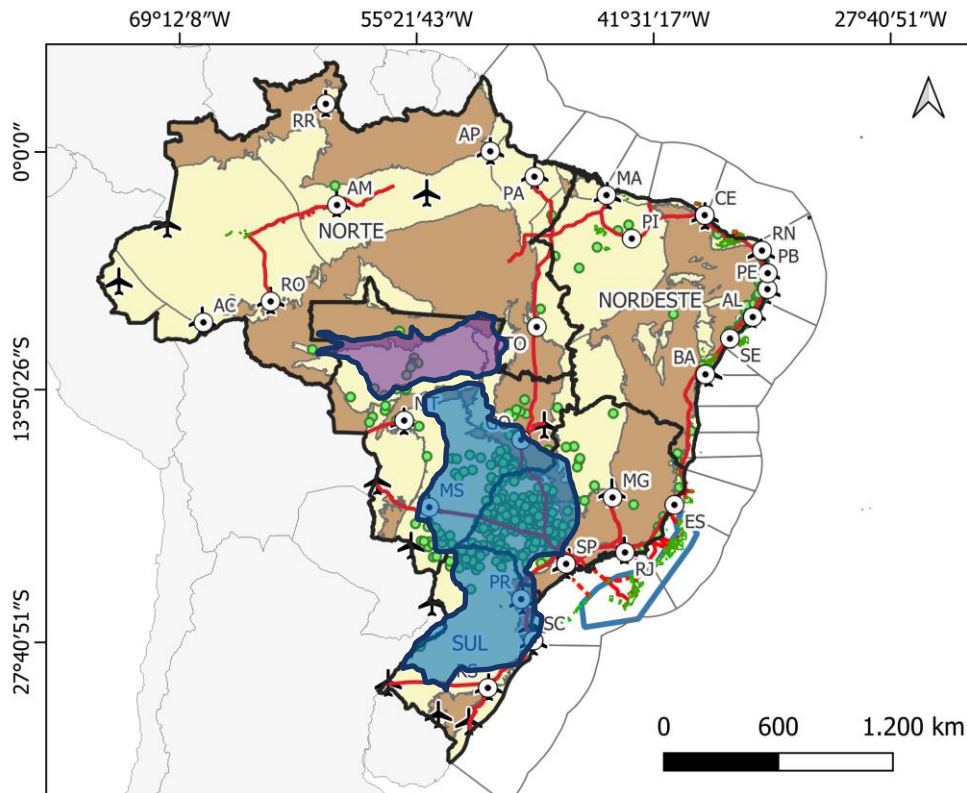
Fonte: Milani e Zalán, 1998

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- Source: ANP, 2013.

THE POTENTIAL OF BECCS (EXAMPLES)



Legend

- Offshore Sedimentary Basin
- Cratonic Areas
- Onshore Sedimentary Basin
- Parecis - Proterozoic** ←
- Parana - Paleozoic
- Ethanol Plant
- Oil & Gas Pipeline
- State Limits
- Oil & Gas Fields
- Presalt Polygon



THE POTENTIAL OF BECCS (Parecis Basin)

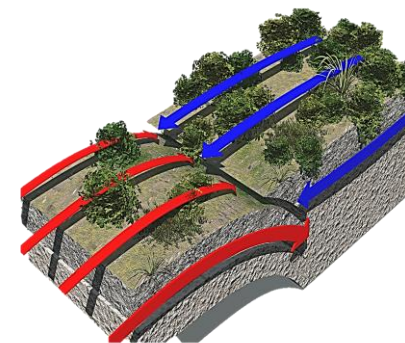
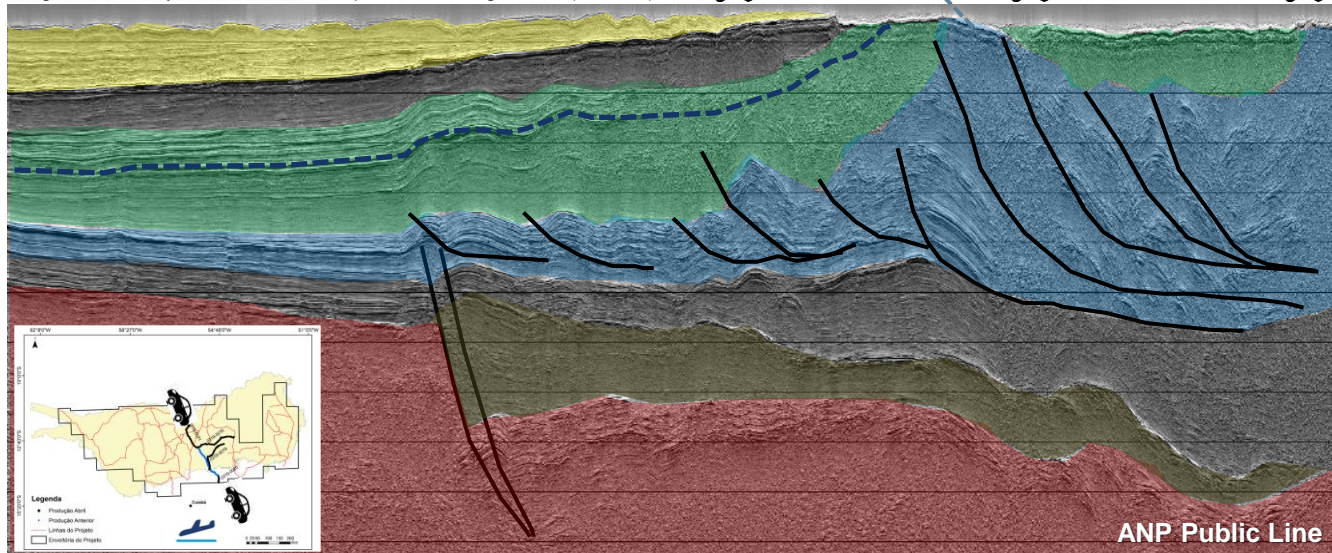


Agriculture: Soybeans and Cotton | Corn and Sugarcane (Ethanol)

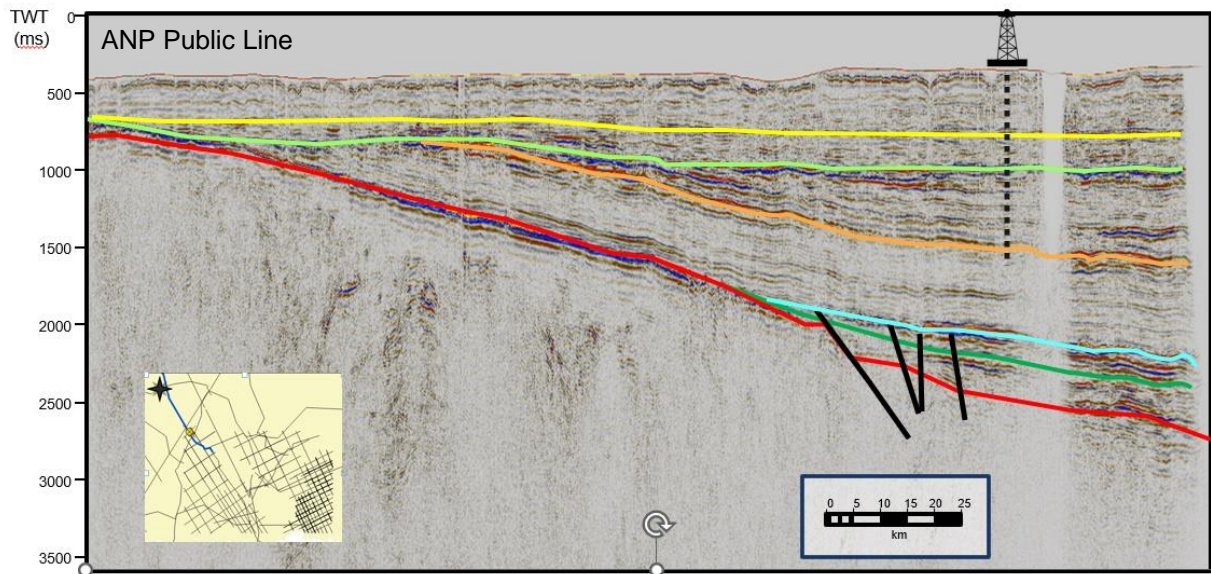
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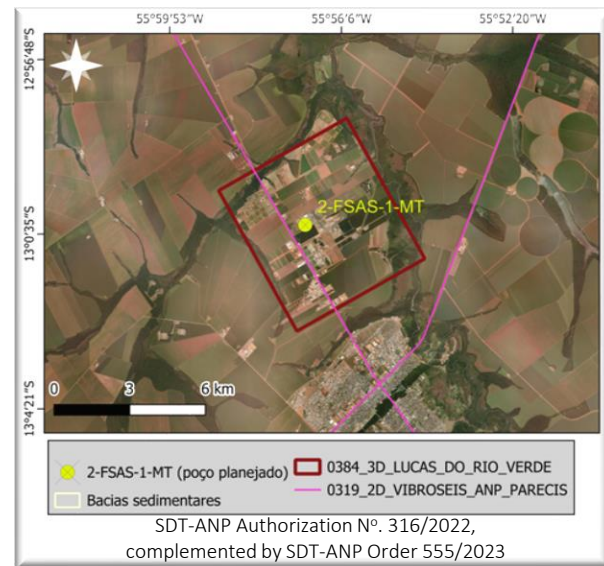
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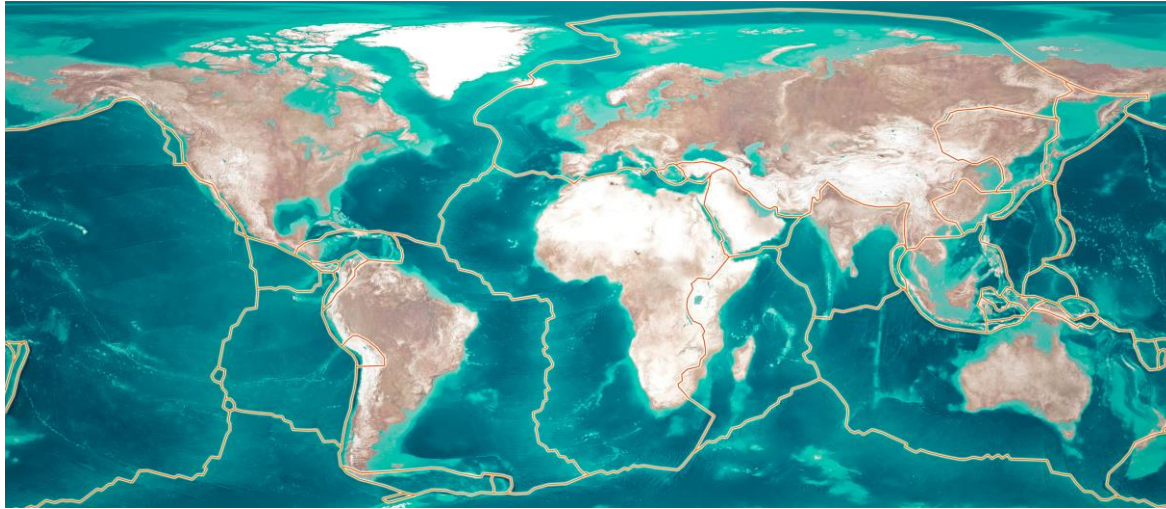


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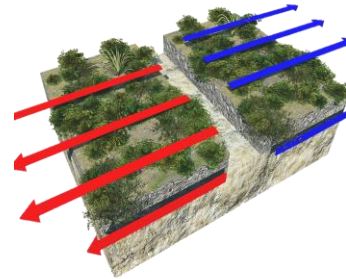
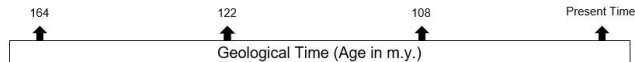
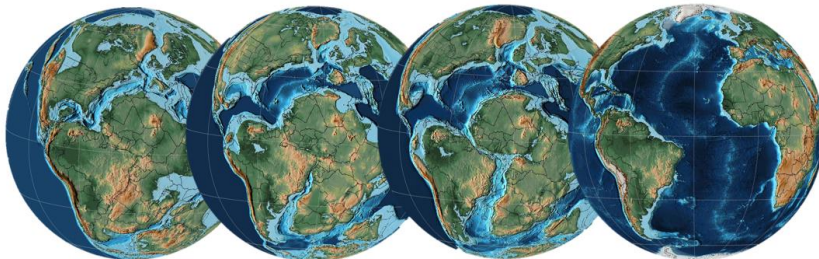


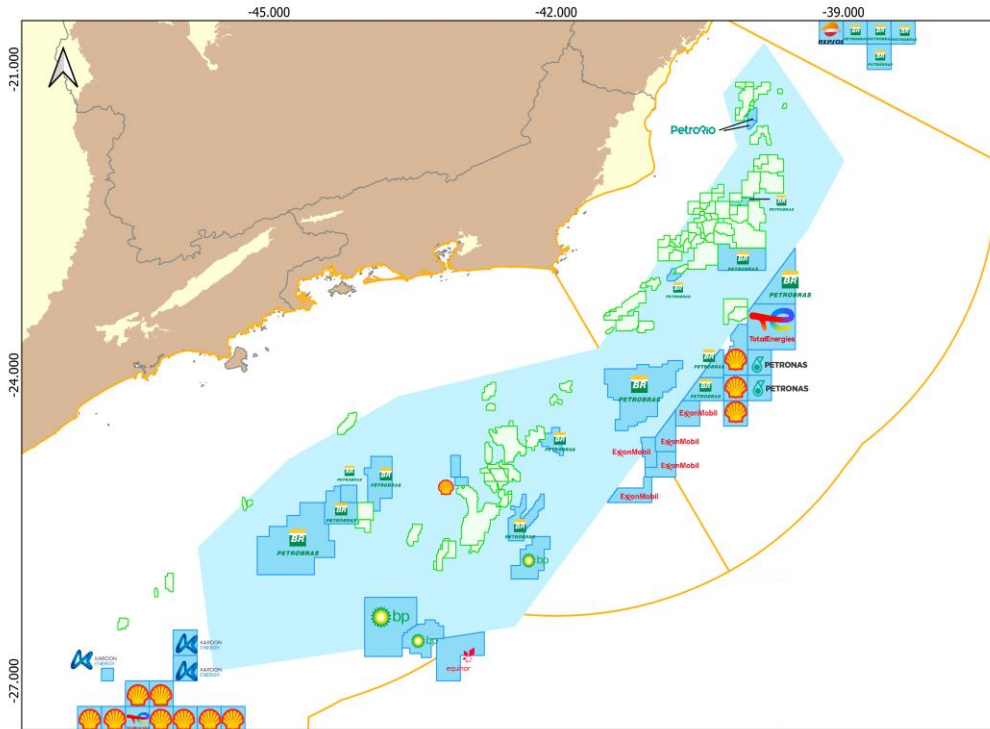
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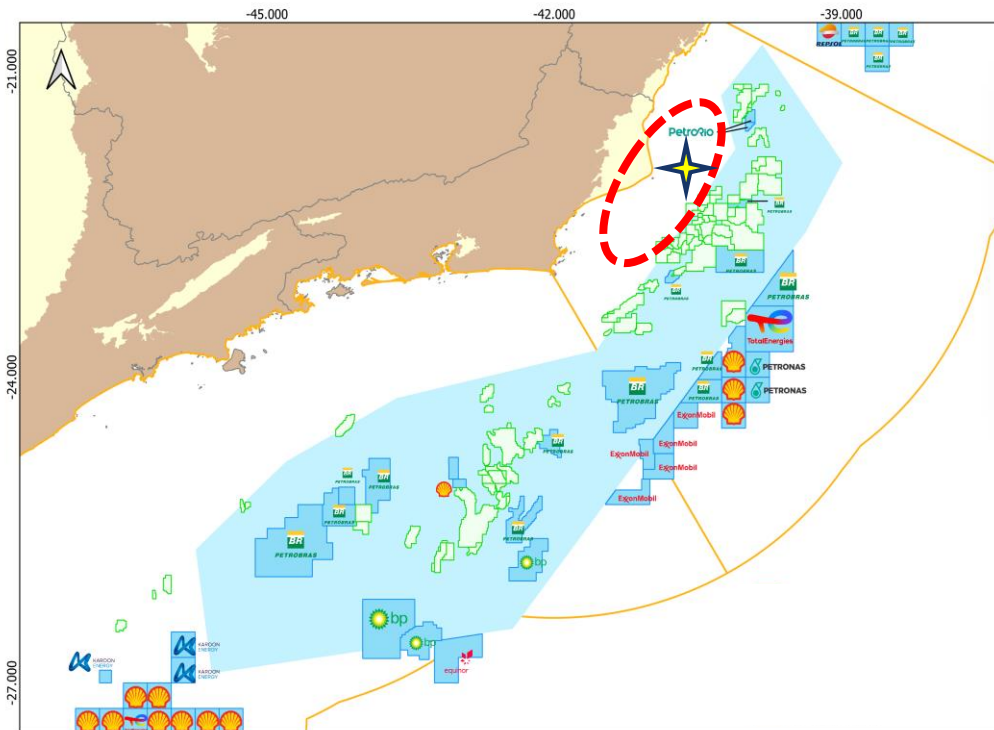
Passive margins tectonic plate. Brazil experiences relatively calm tectonic conditions characterized by low seismicity (earthquake). This stability is a favorable factor for ensuring safety in the permanent geological storage of CO₂.



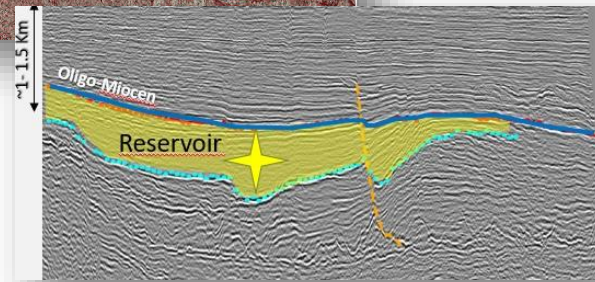
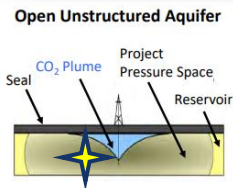
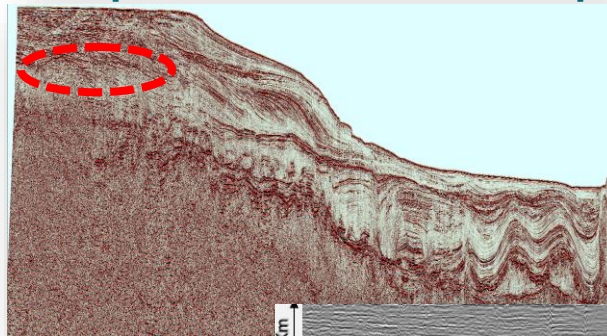


Campos Basin

The Campos Basin is located primarily in front of the state of Rio de Janeiro. This area is home to industries that produce high levels of CO₂ emissions, hard to abate, such as the cement, steel, and metallurgical industries. Additionally, there are large saline reservoir offshore, as well as depleted oil fields that can be studied for permanent storage purposes, possibly in a HUB model.



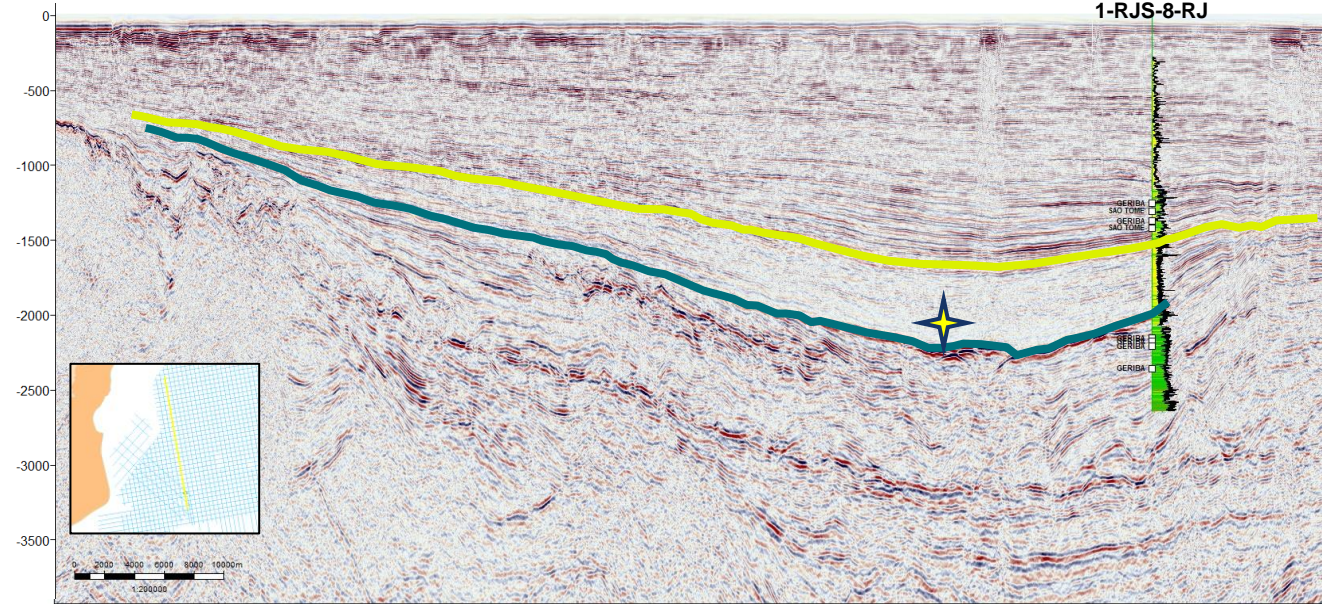
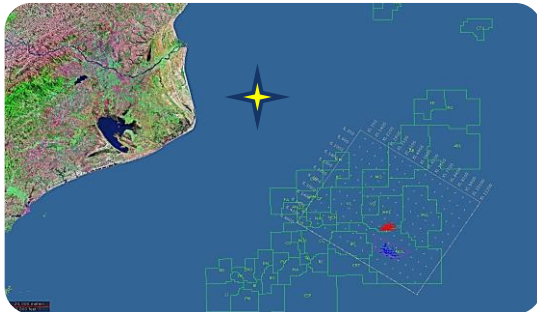
Campos Basin (São Tomé Example)



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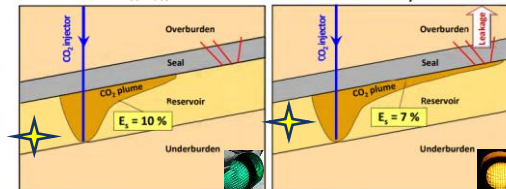
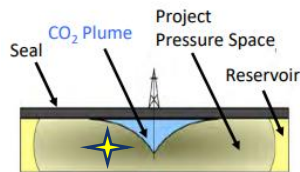


THE POTENTIAL OF CCS-HUB (Saline Reservoir) São Tomé Example CAMPOS BASIN



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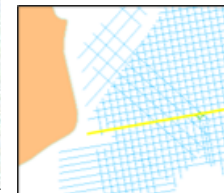
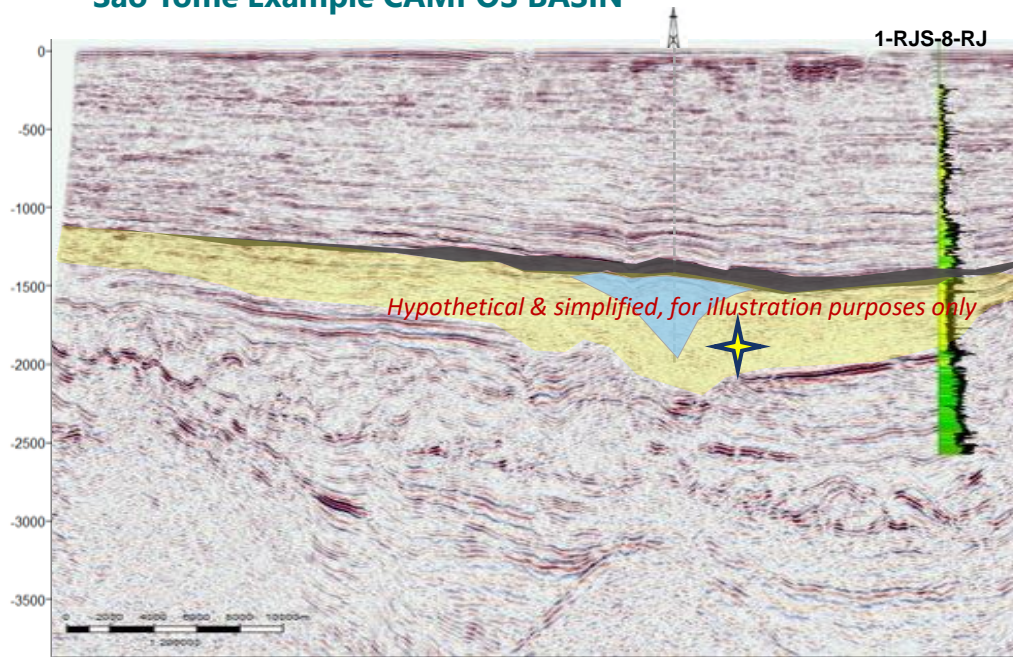
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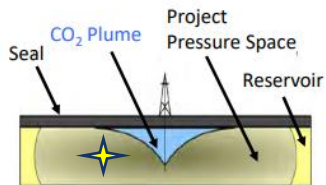


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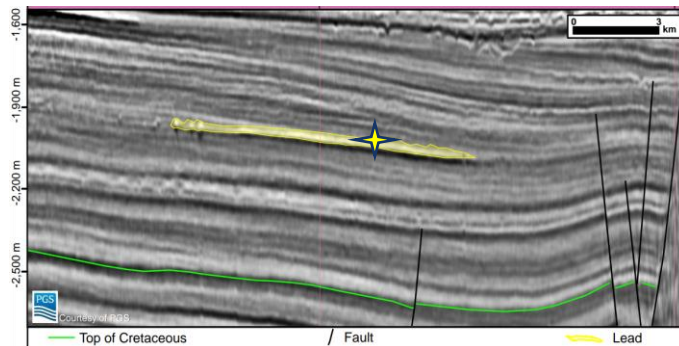
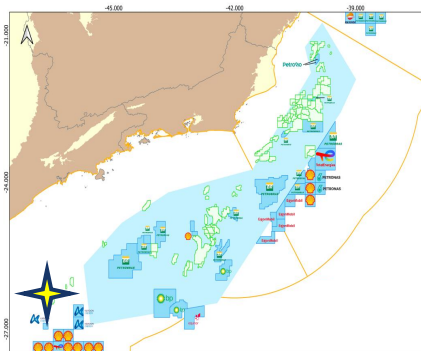
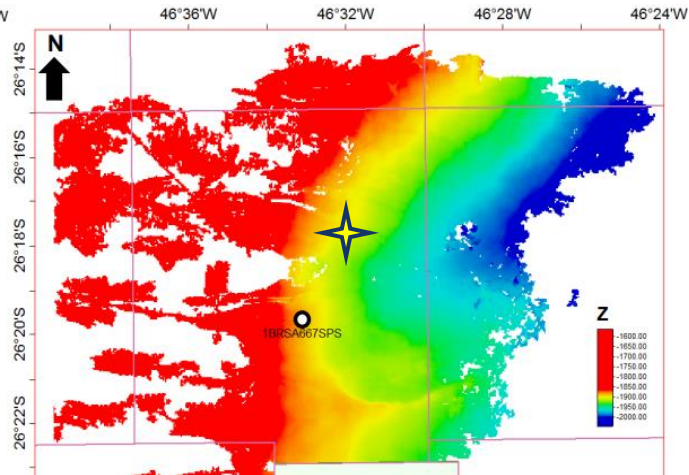
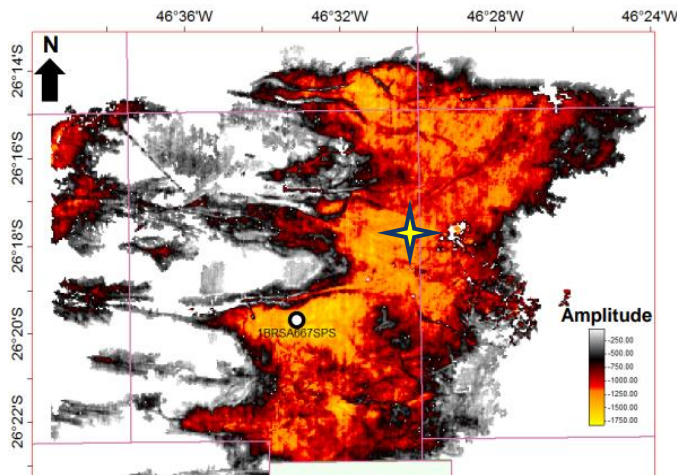
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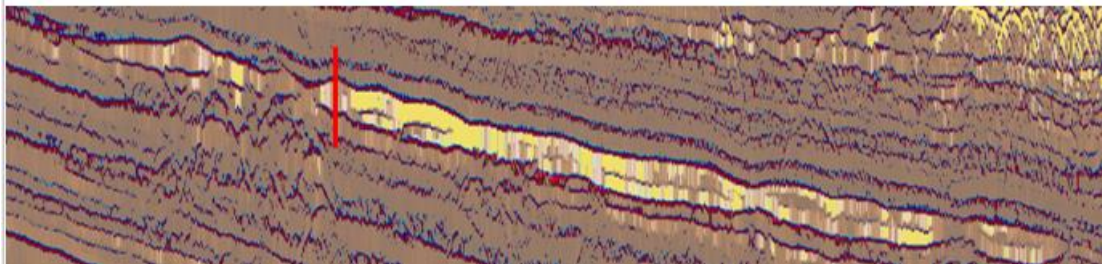
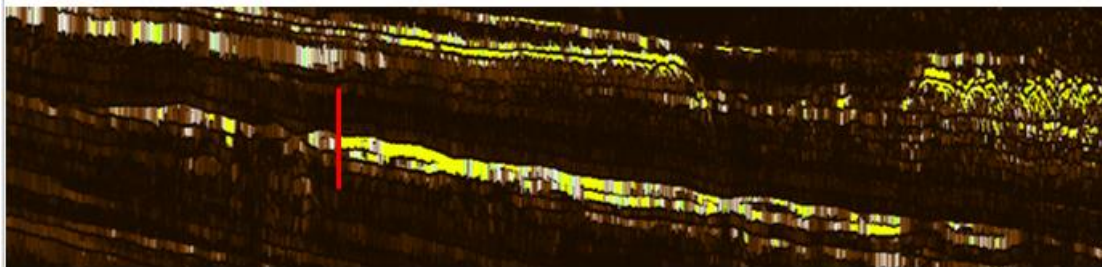
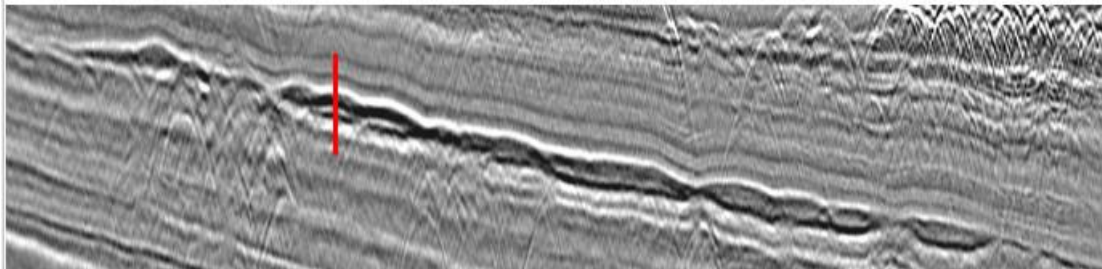
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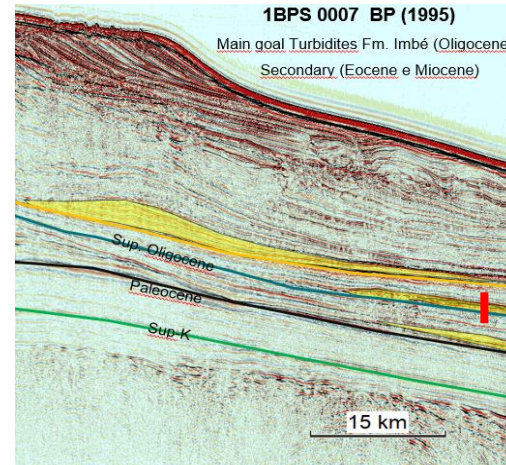
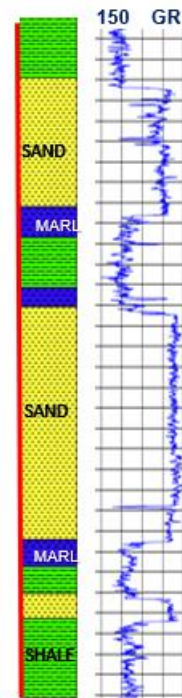
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“The text promotes sustainable low-carbon mobility **and the capture and geological storage of carbon dioxide...**”

“CHAPTER VI - Activities In the Carbon Dioxide Capture and Geological Storage Industry

Art. 26. The exercise of carbon dioxide capture activities **for geological storage purposes**, its transport through pipelines, and geological storage **will be carried out with authorization from the ANP** § 4º “Except” EOR.

Art. 28. The ANP is responsible for regulating carbon dioxide capture activities for geological storage purposes, its transport through pipelines, and its geological storage.”

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