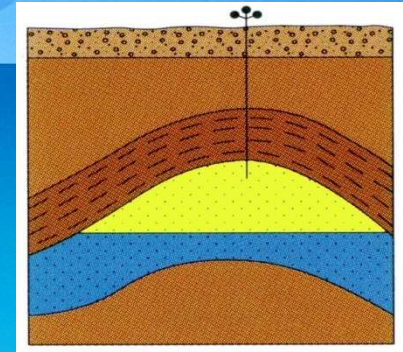


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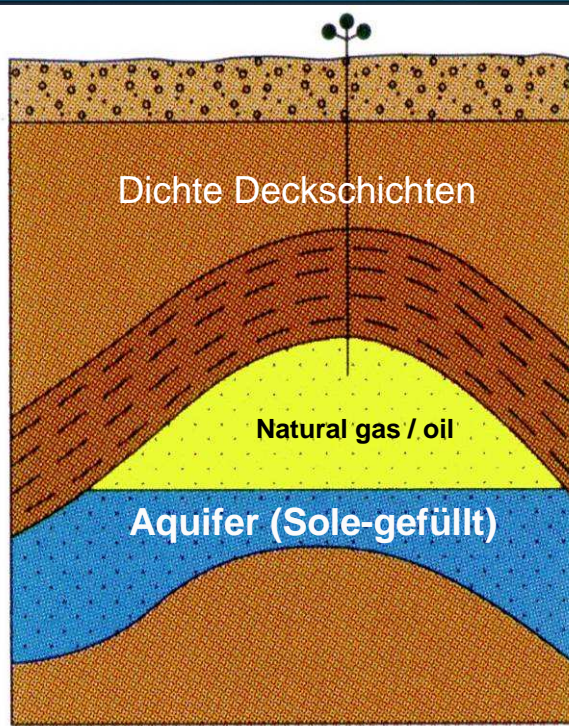
## CO<sub>2</sub>-Storage – German and International Perspective

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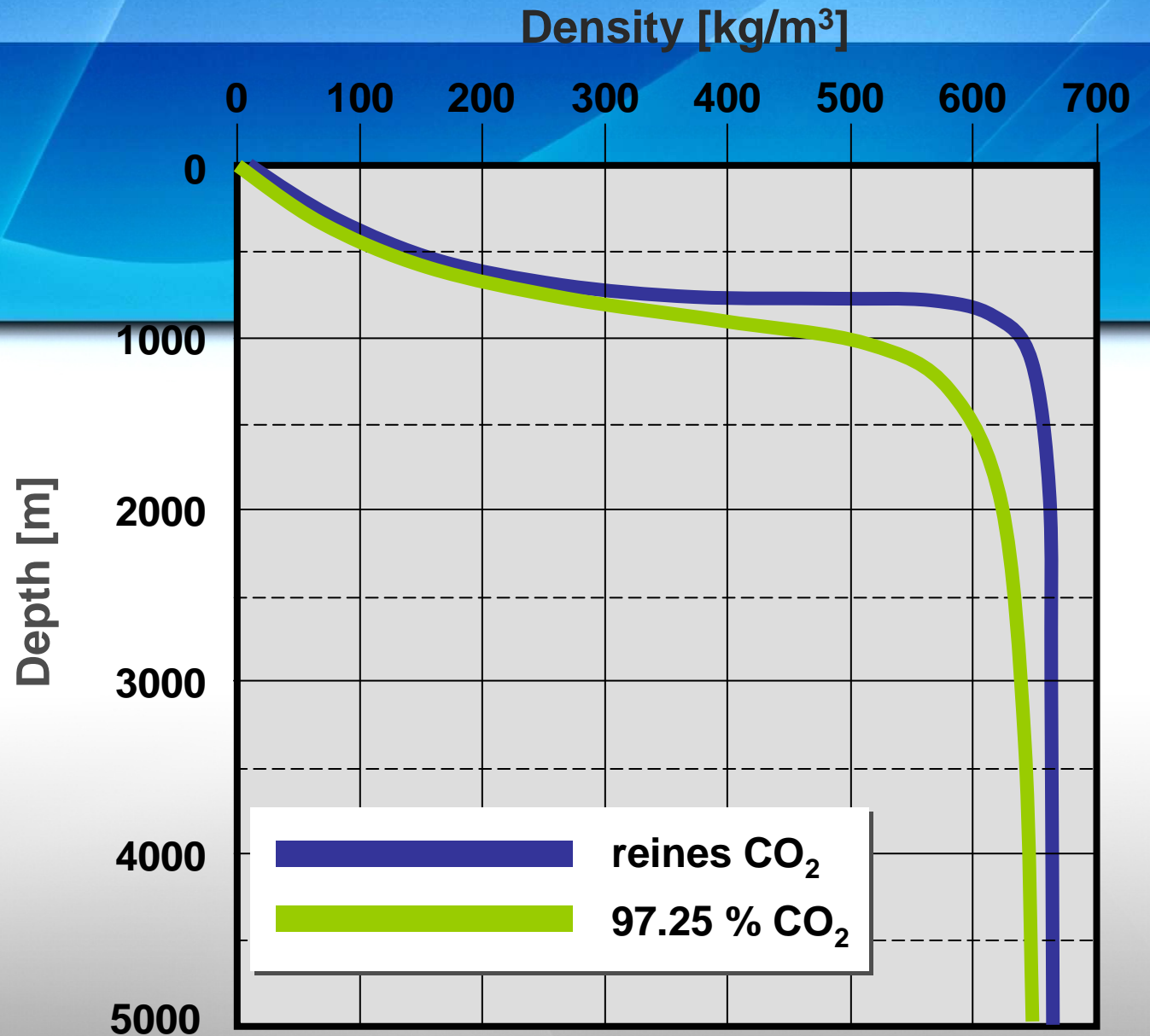
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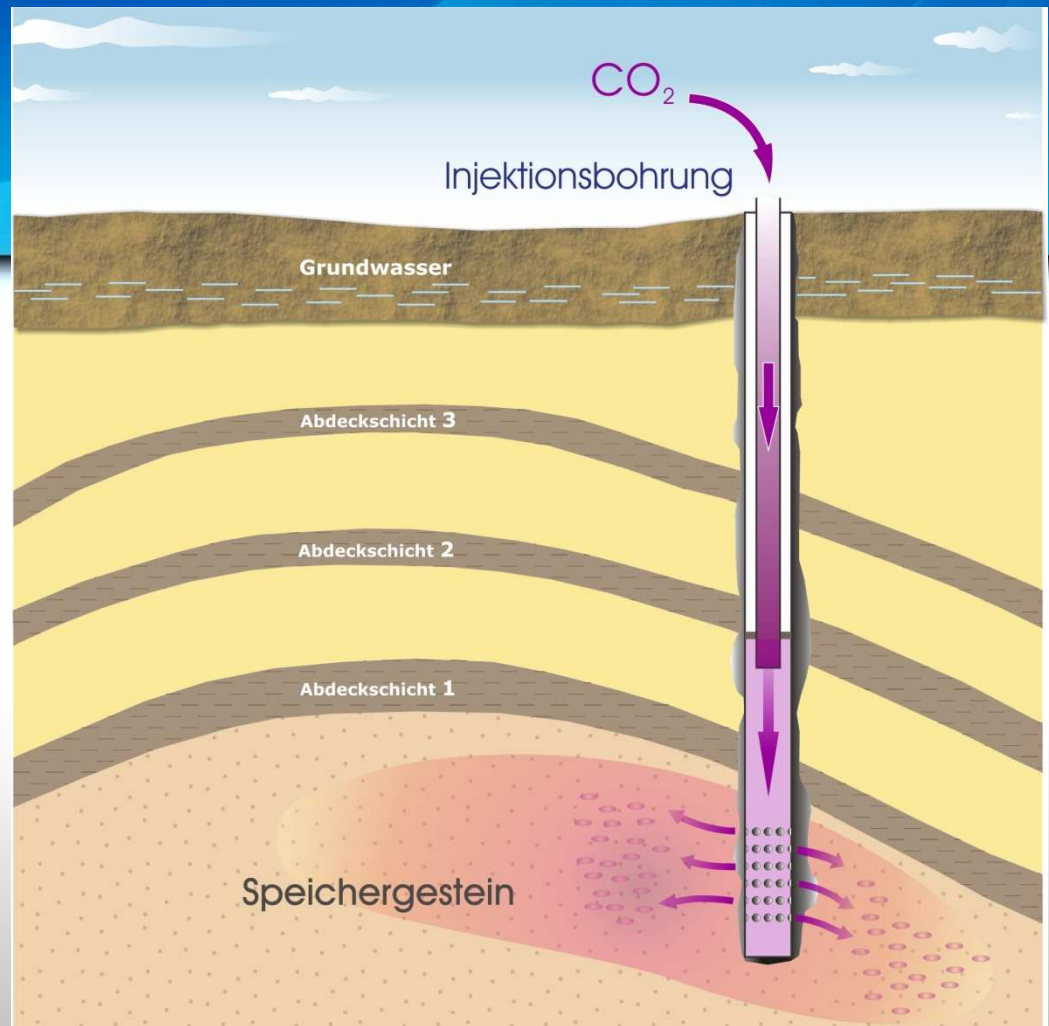
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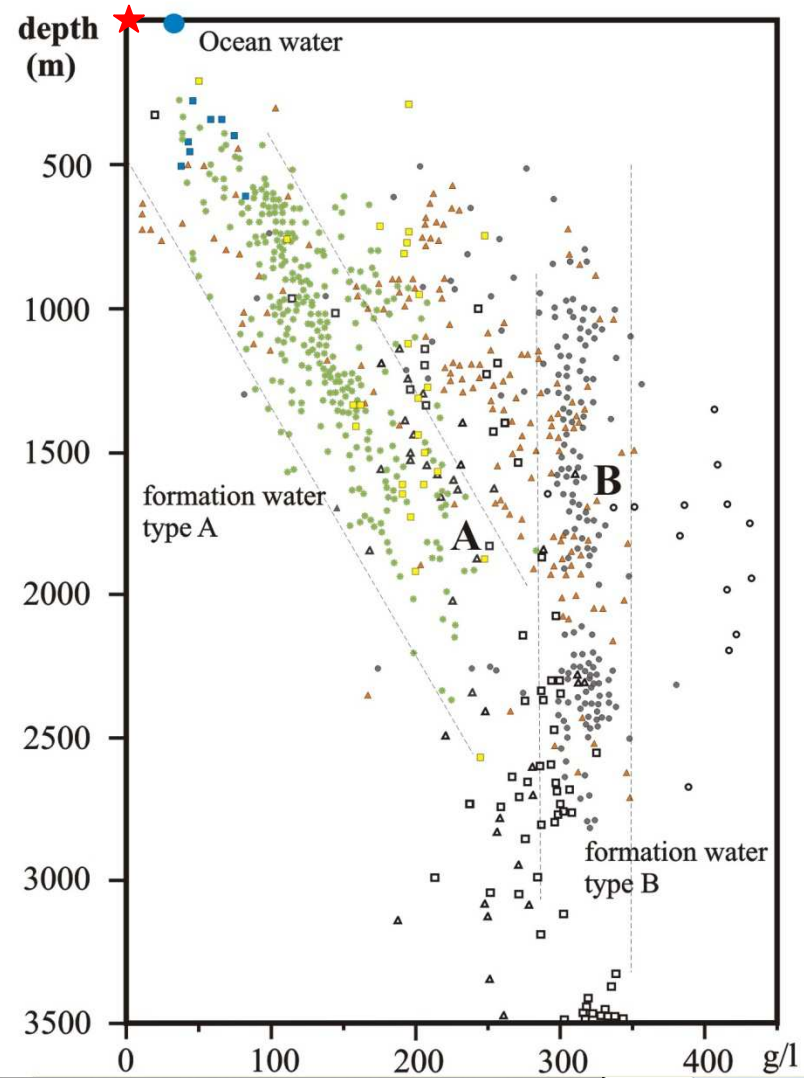
Storage depth  
> 800-1000 m



# Condition II: Long-term security – multi-barrier concept



# Condition III: no damage to fresh water



Alter/Formation	NW		NI		SH		MV		BB		ST	
	Speicher-Komplex	Barriere-Komplex	Speicher-Komplex	Barriere-Komplex	Speicher-Komplex	Barriere-Komplex	Speicher-Komplex	Barriere-Komplex	Speicher-Komplex	Barriere-Komplex	Speicher-Komplex	Barriere-Komplex
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Quellen: Müller & Papendieck 1975, GTN, BGR,

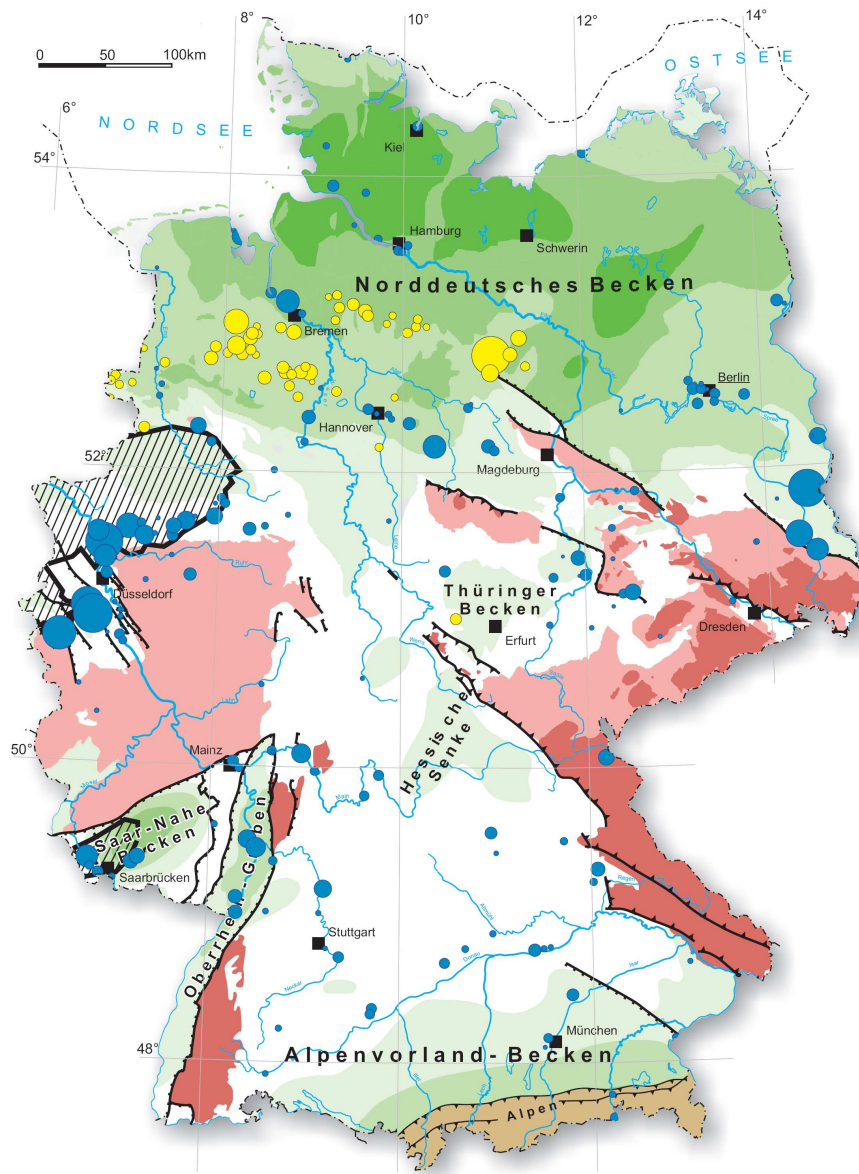
# CO<sub>2</sub>-storage options & -potential in DE

## According to current knowledge ...

- **natural gas fields : 2,75 Gt**
- **saline aquifers : 6,3 – 12,8 Gt\***

\* Aquifer anticlines in ca. 75 % of area of:  
North German basin, Upper Rhine valley, Molasse basin  
[Knopf et al., et 4/2010]

# Where do we find storage space ?



## Bedeutende CO<sub>2</sub> - Quellen

- Kraftwerke, Hütten- und Zementwerke, Raffinerien u. a.
- 0,2 → 20 Mt/a

## Regionen mit Speichermöglichkeiten



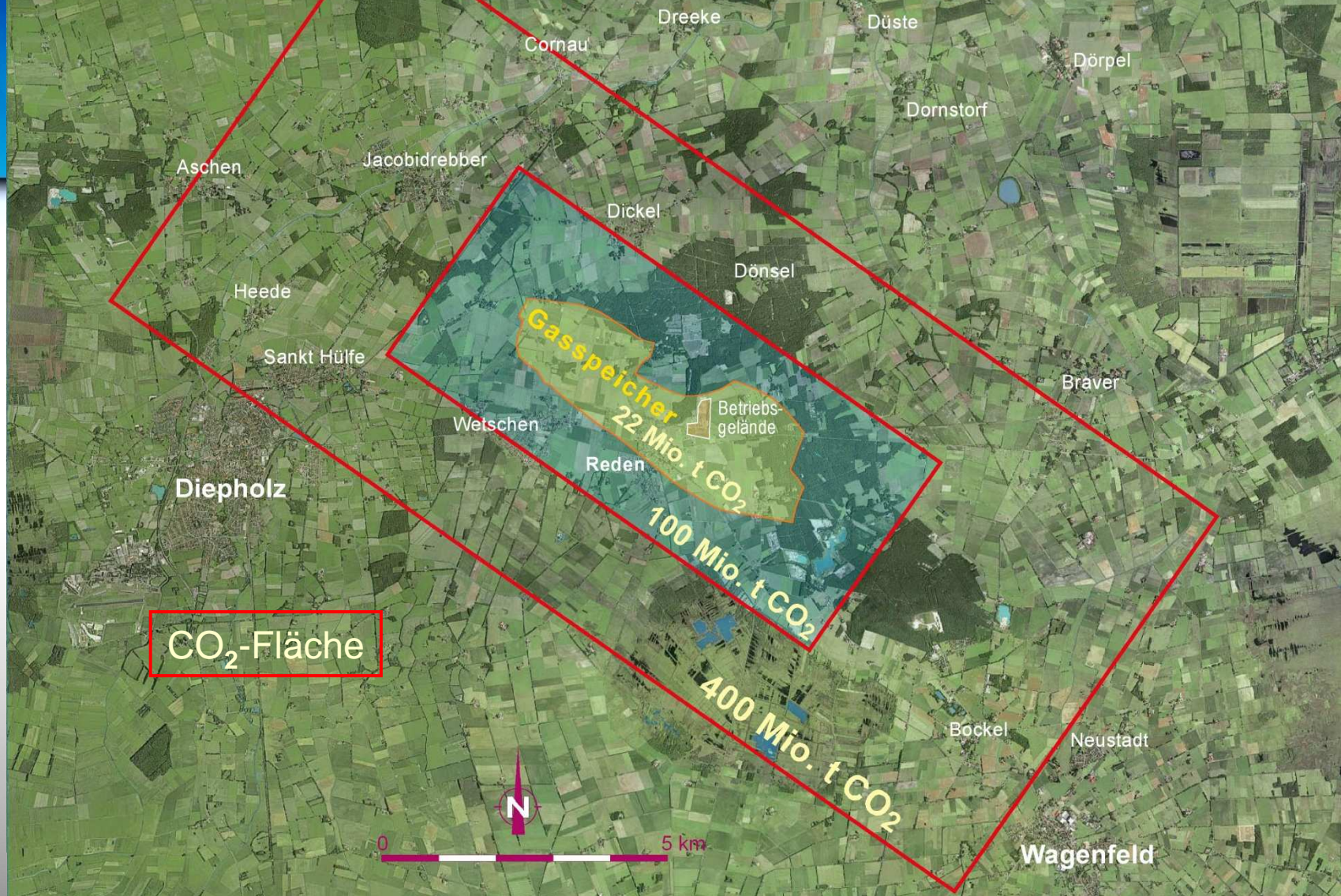
Steinkohle - Flöze

Erdgas - Felder

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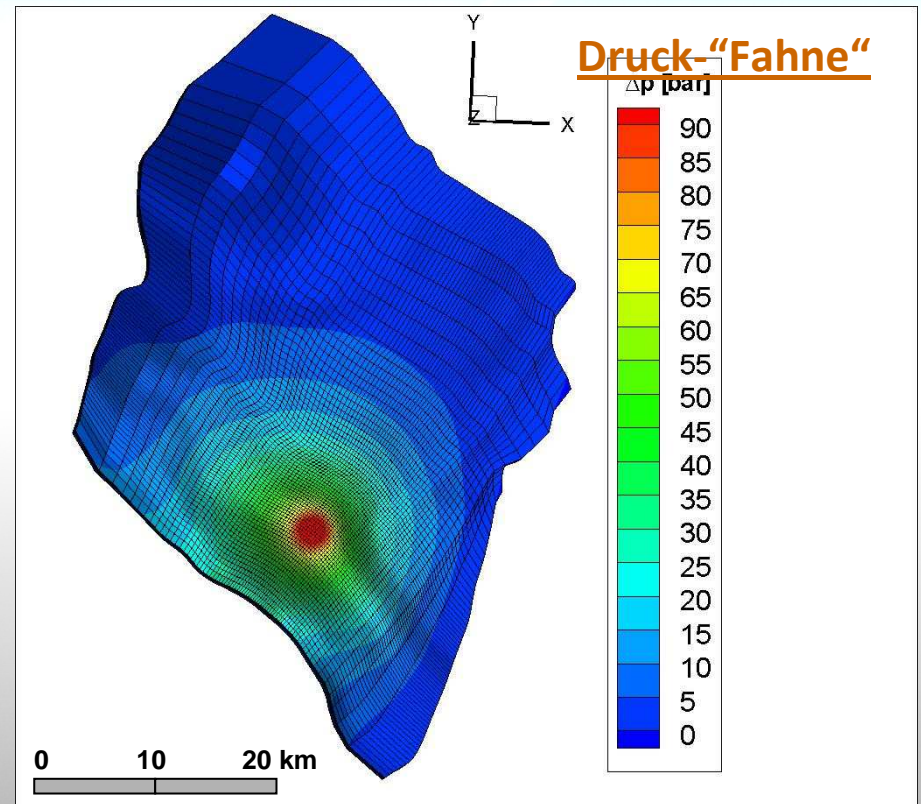
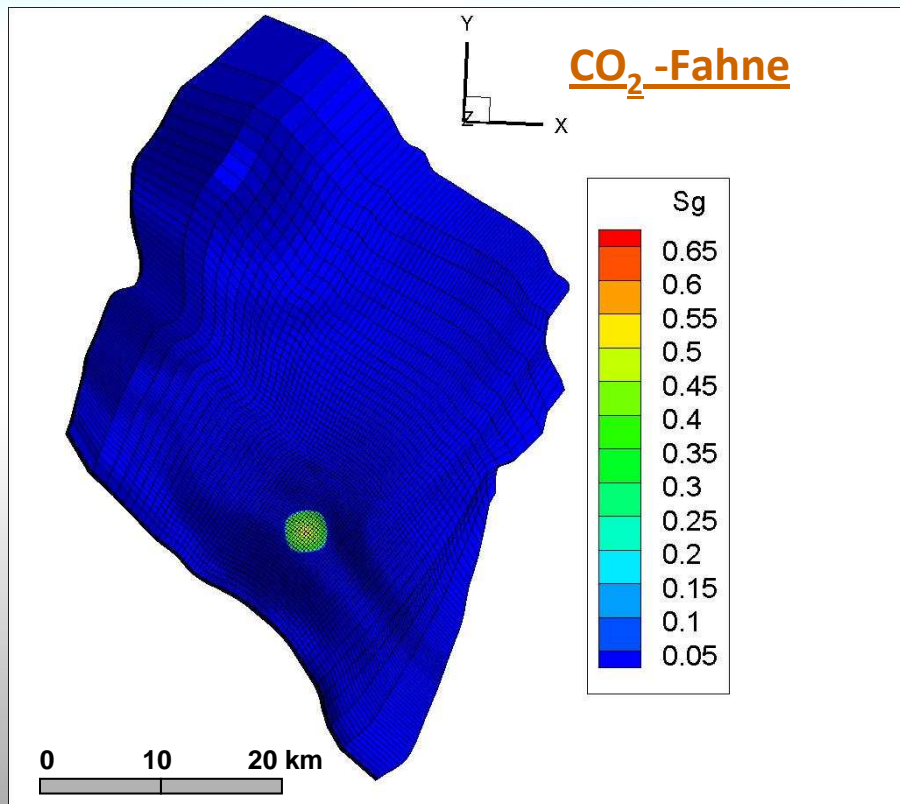
- metamorphe Gesteine
- magmatische und hoch-metamorphe Gesteine
- Speichergesteine nicht oder in zu geringen Tiefen vorhanden

# Virtual CO<sub>2</sub> storage in a saline Aquifer : UGS Rehden





# CO<sub>2</sub>-saturation and pressure (after 10 years)



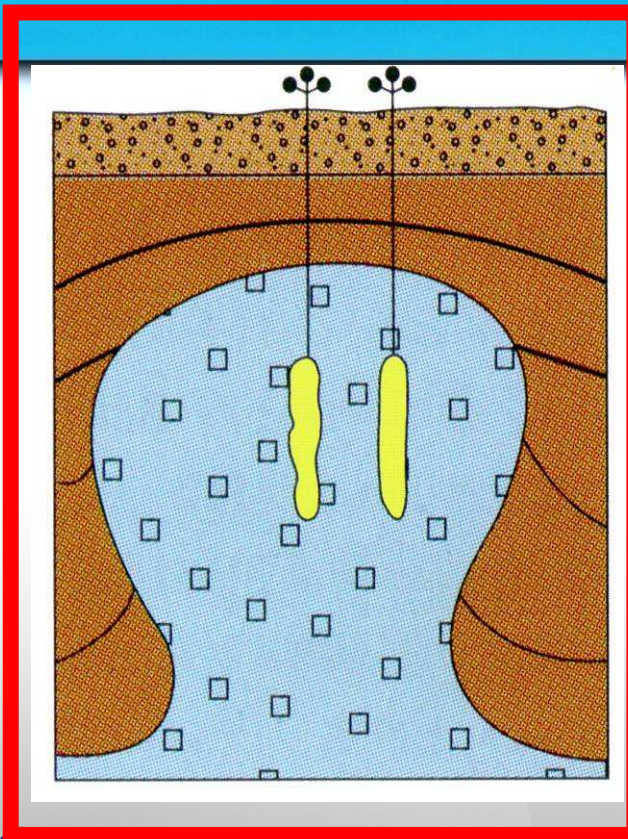
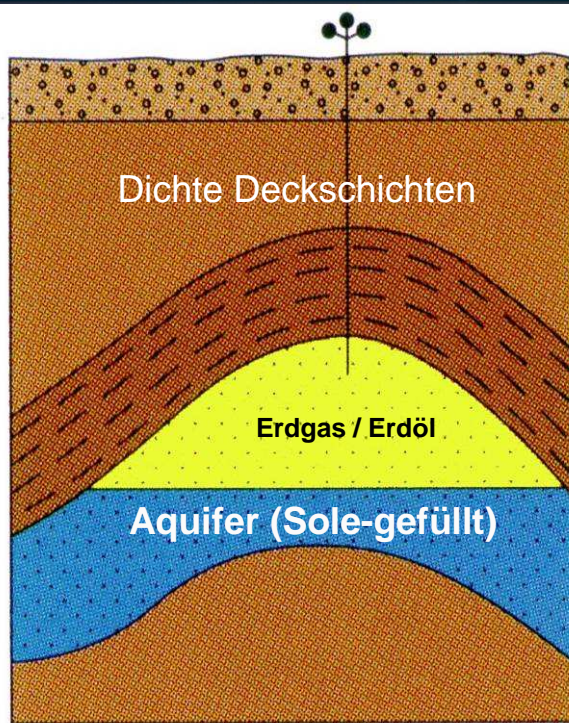
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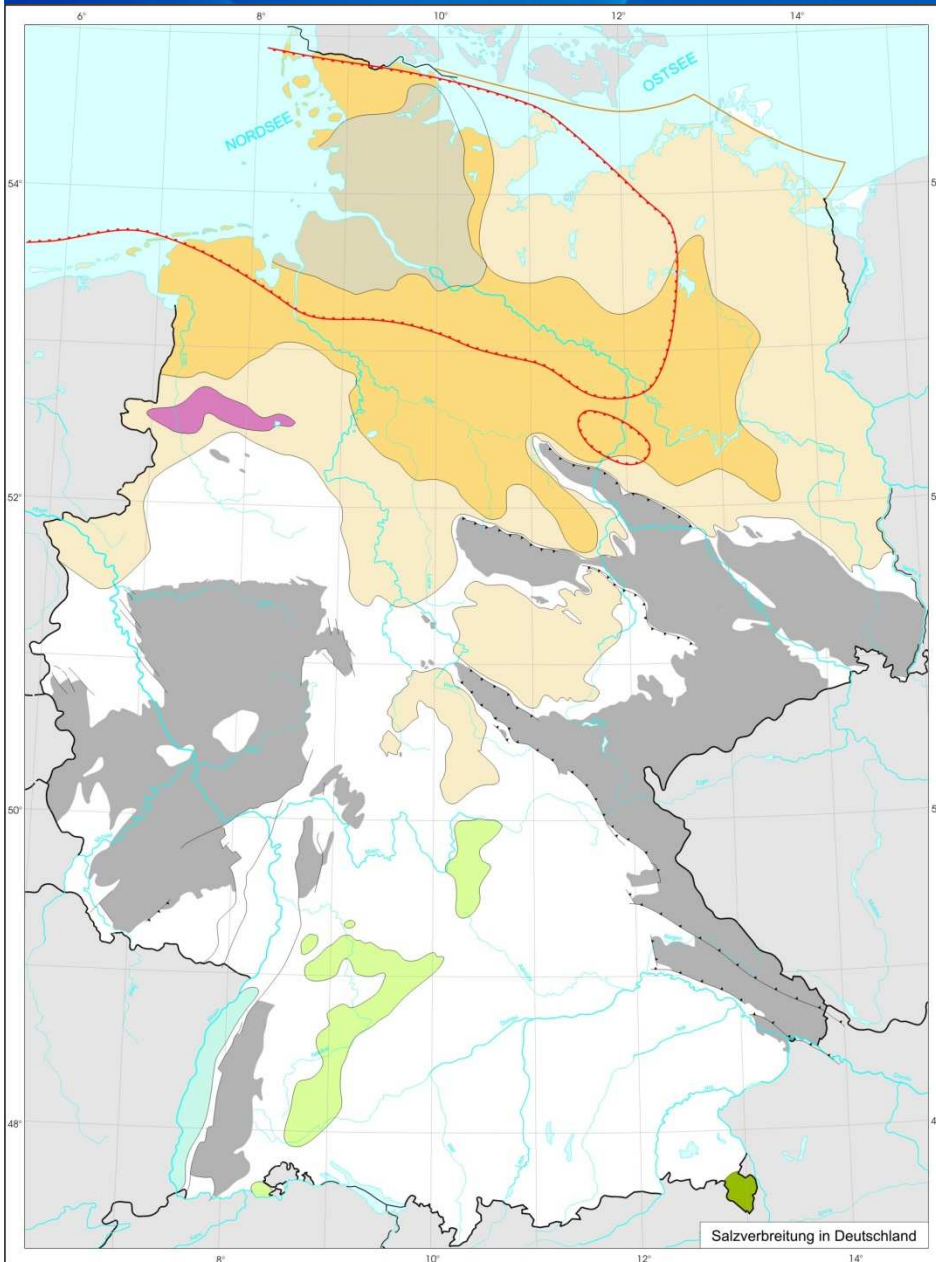













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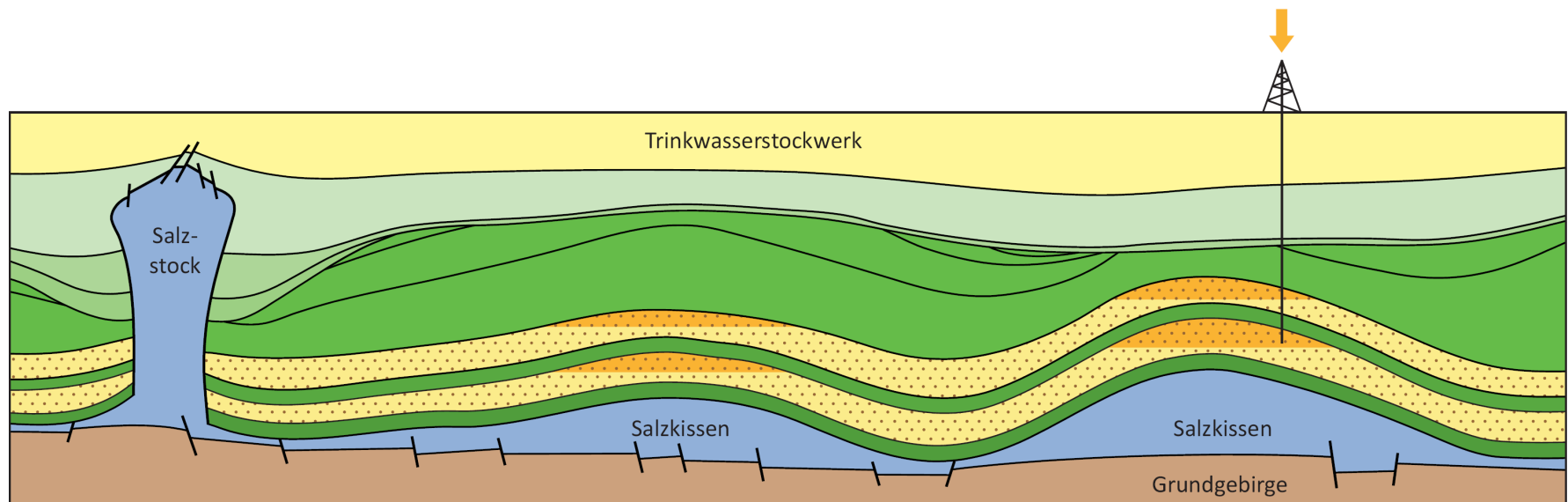
# Where can salt caverns be established?

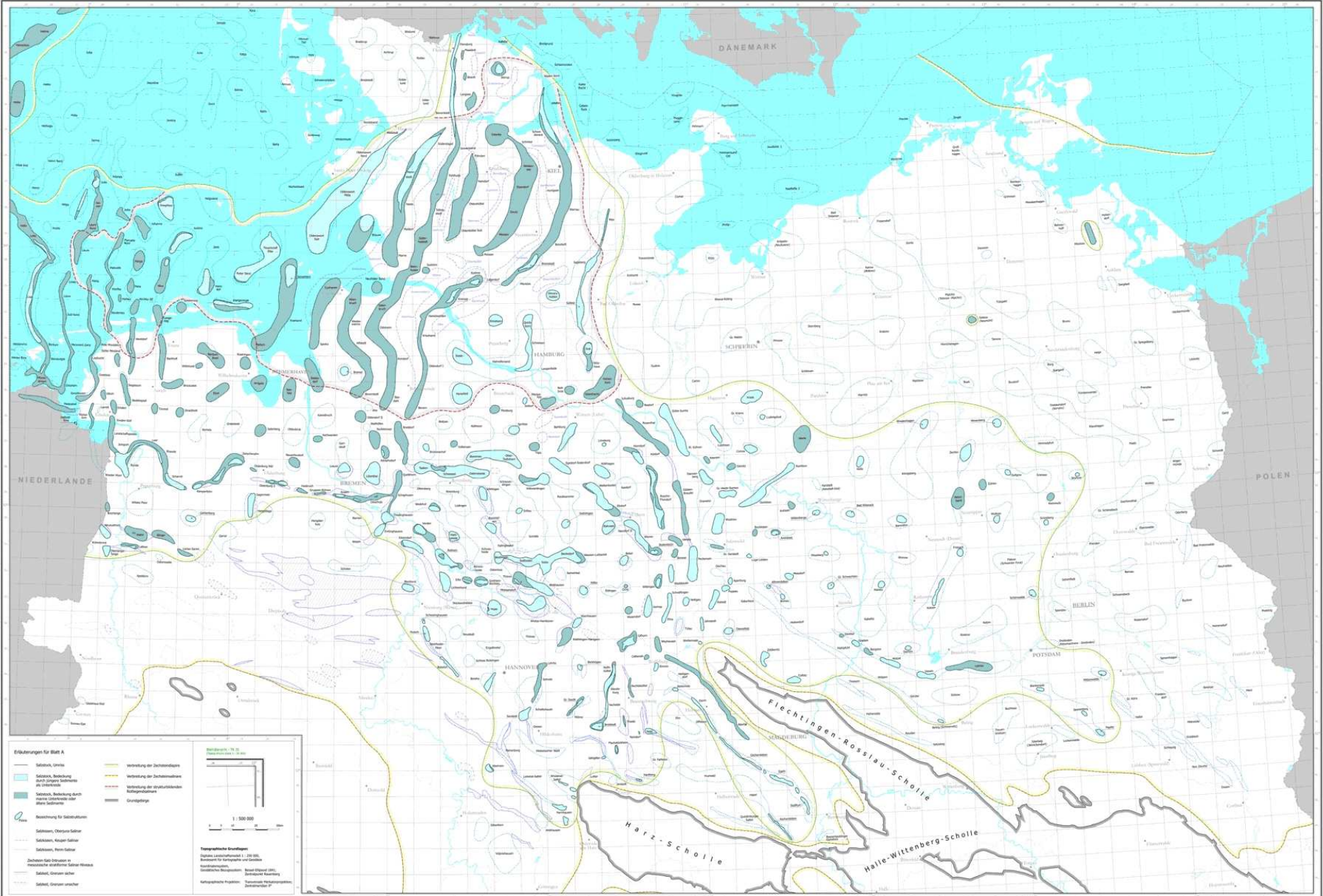


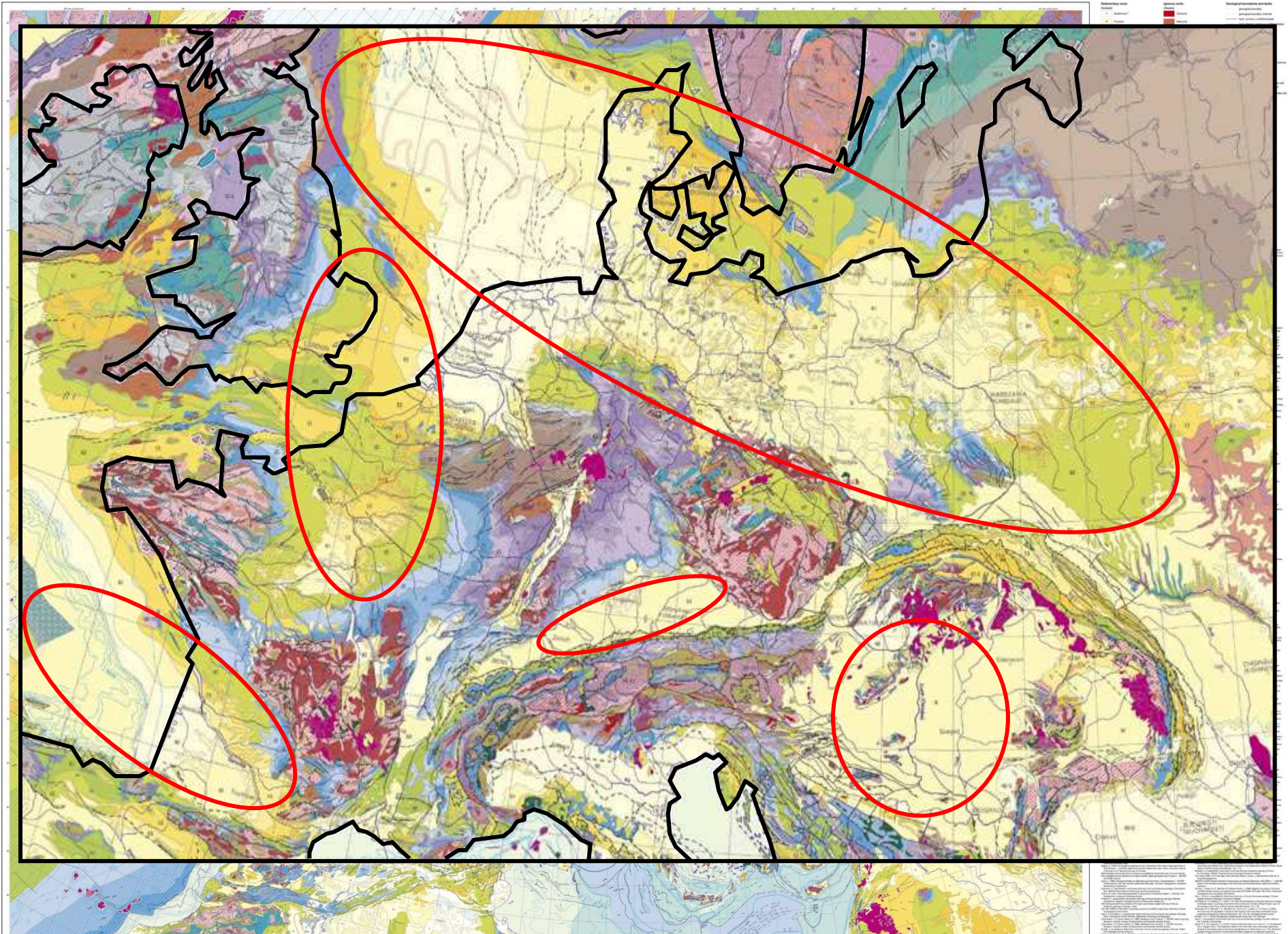
-  Verbreitung von Zechsteinsalz (meist mit überlagernden Triassalzen)
-  Verbreitung von Zechsteindiapiren
-  Verbreitung von Zechstein- und Rotliegendediapiren (Doppelsalinar)
-  Tertiärsalz im Oberrhein-Graben
-  Alpines Triassalz
-  Triassalz in Süddeutschland
-  Malmsalz
-  Grundgebirge
-  Verbreitungsgrenze der Rotliegendesalze
-  Aufschiebung
-  Abschiebung

Quelle: Krull, 2004

# Salt structures









# Conclusions

- ▶ CO<sub>2</sub>-storage needs a lot of space
- ▶ Underground storage for REN can be installed in many places in DEU
- ▶ Geological conditions offer more potential in northern Germany
- ▶ Salt caverns are useful for storage of fluids and gases – but (due to large amounts) not for CO<sub>2</sub>
- ▶ Possible conflicts of interest may have to be solved by government regulations (?underground space regulation?)

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**Thanks for your attention !**

