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Focus : Thin Film Solar Cells

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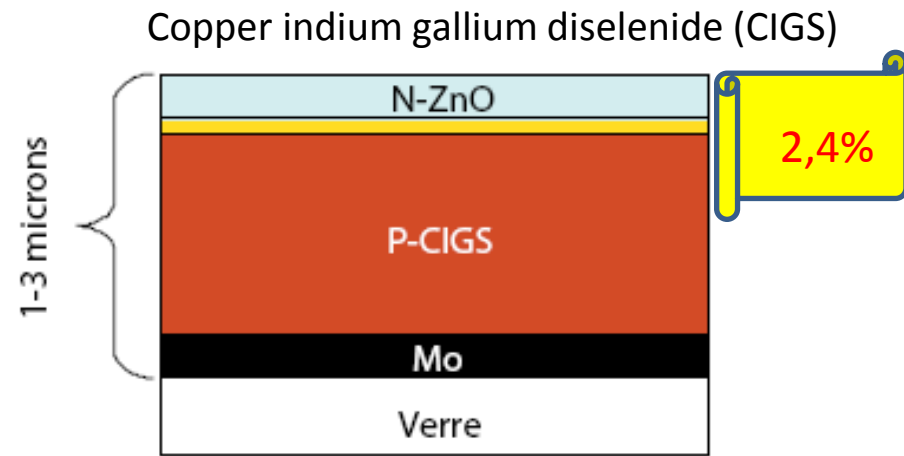
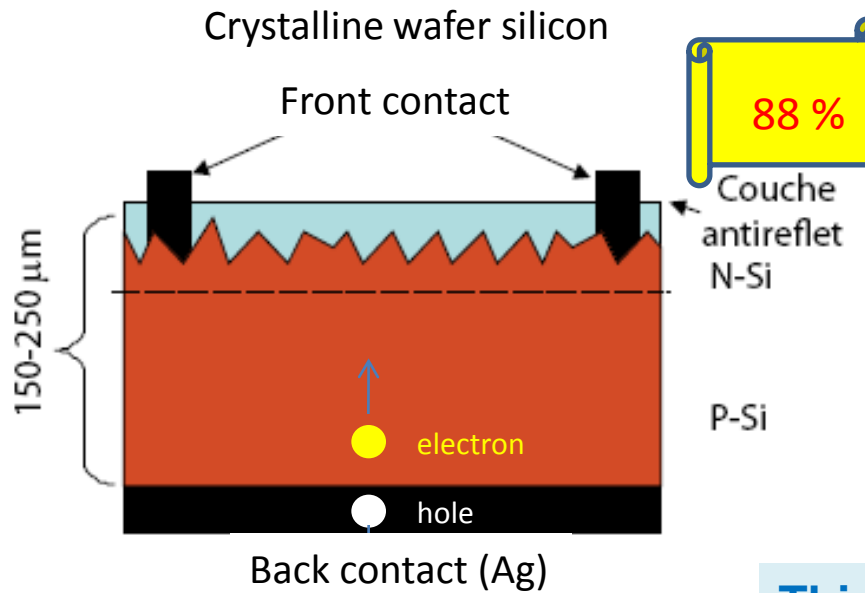
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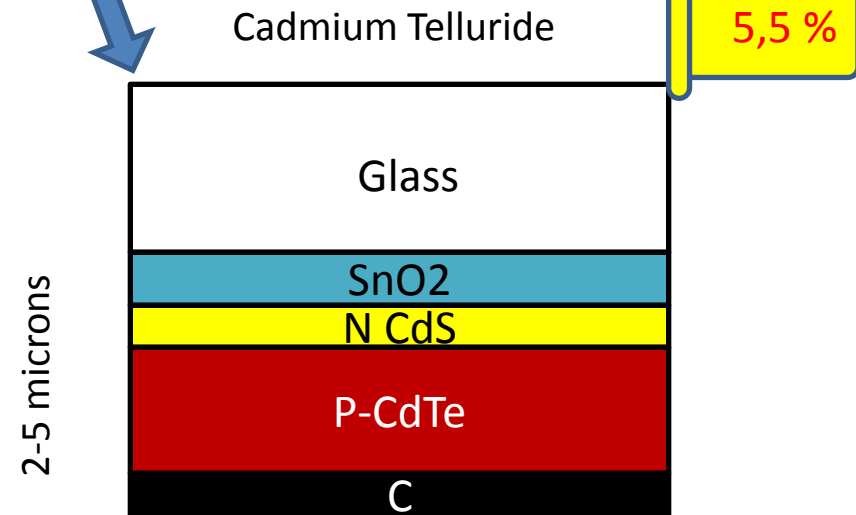
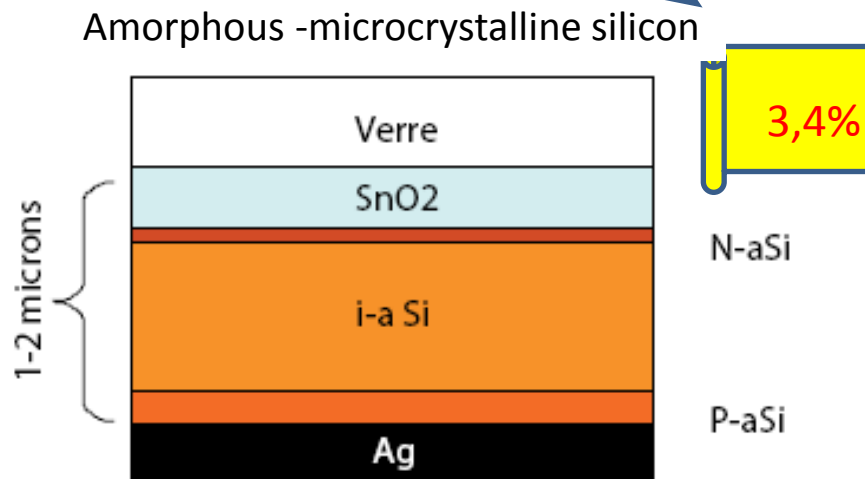
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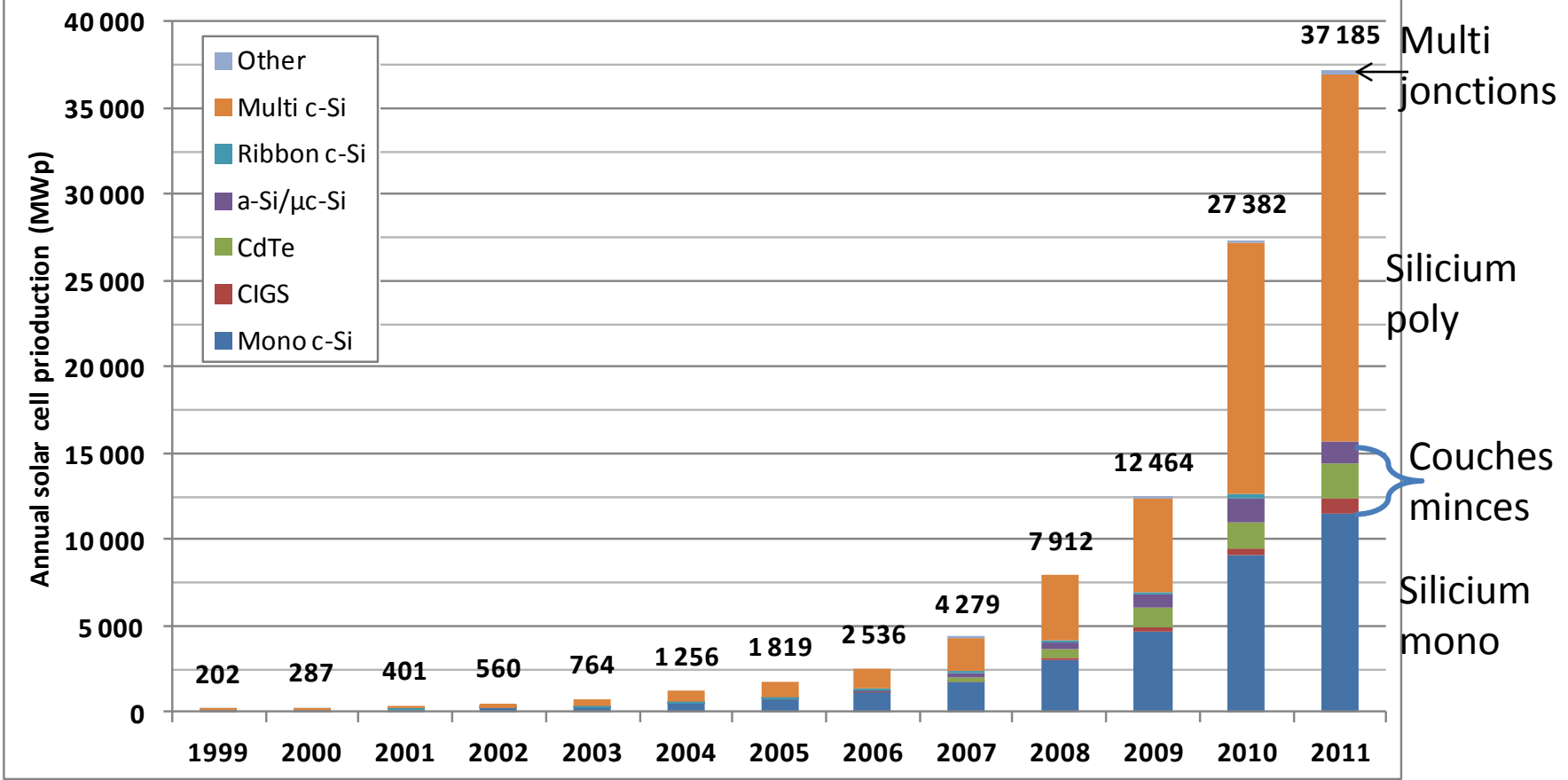
Thin Films



Year 2011

Production

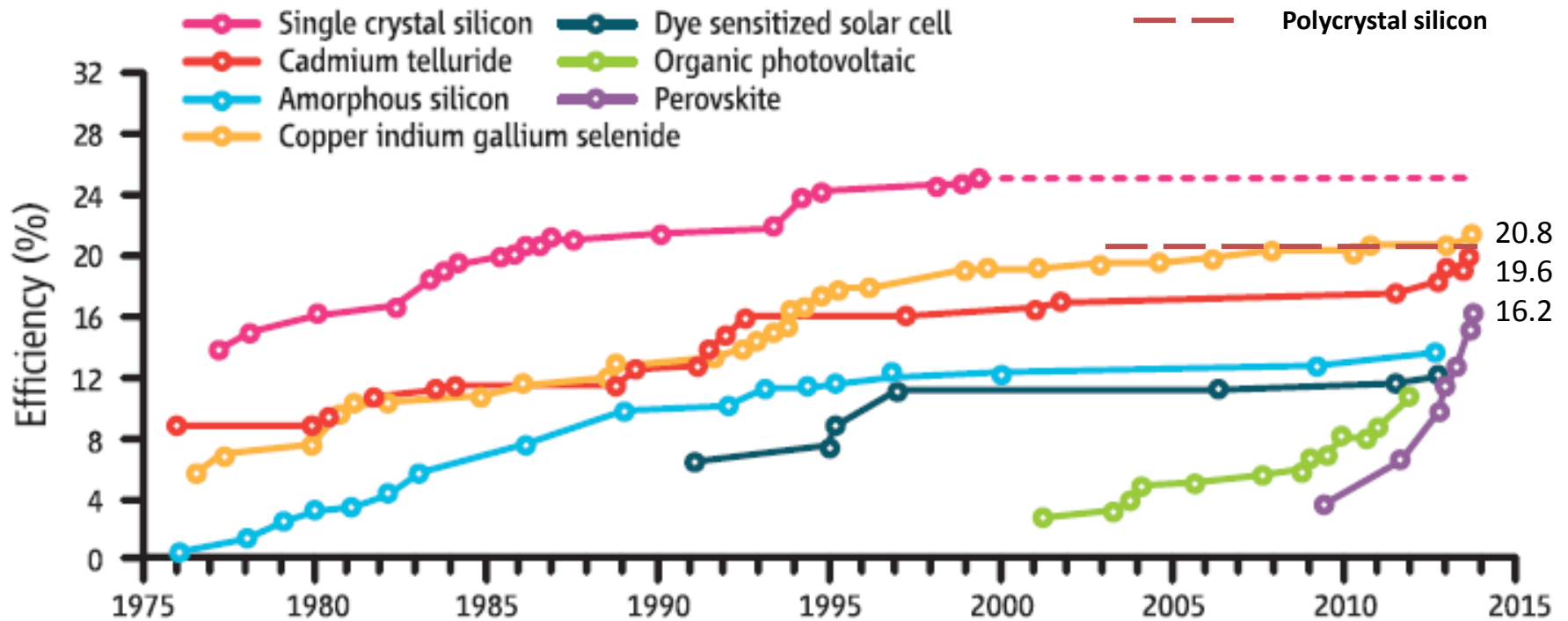
Solar cell production (MWp) 1999 to 2010



Cumulated production end of 2012: 100 GW

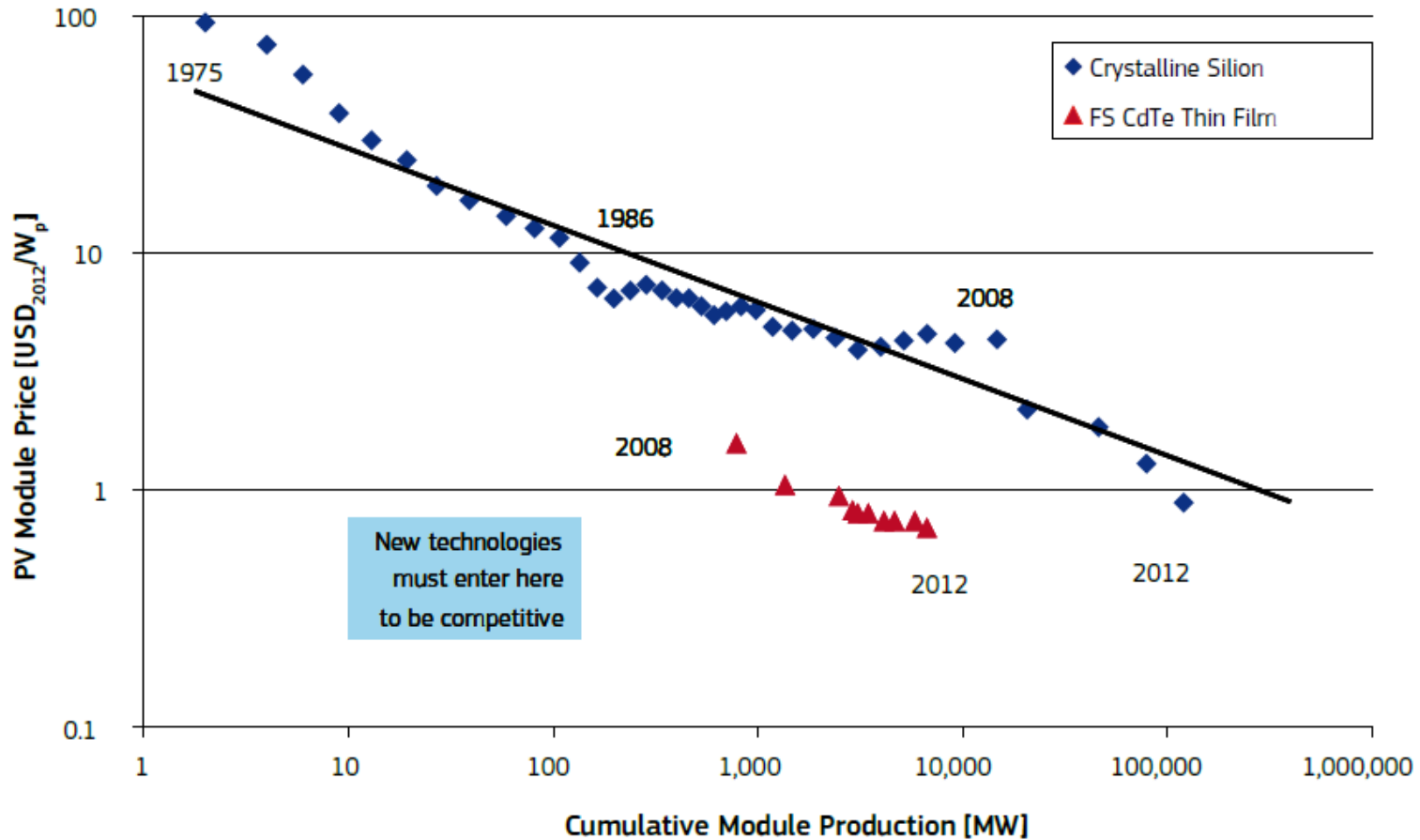
Performances

Best Research-Cell Efficiencies



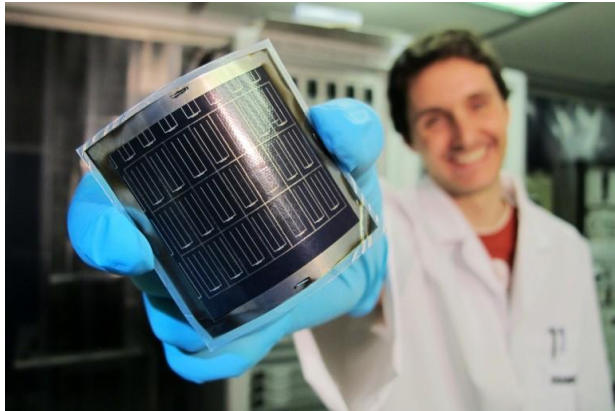
Best Modules : 15.7 % CIGS, 14.4 % CdTe,
 Production costs : 0.7 dollar/W (CdTe 2012)

COSTS : Price-Experience curve for solar modules
 (Data source Bloomberg New Energy Finance and PV News)



Prospects

19th of January 2013 :
New World Record CIGS 20.4%
On flexible substrates at EMPA



Consolidation of
thin film industrial technologies

New advances :

Efficiencies (→25% single junction)

Flexible

Costs

Rare Materials saving :

In, Te, Ge new architectures (ultrathin)

New Technologies :

-Kesterites*, Organic, Perovskite**

-Tandem & multijunctions

(thin films, thin film + Si, with III-V)

-Concentration

Presseinformation 18/2013

Stuttgart, 23. Oktober 2013

CIGS

ZSW stellt Weltrekord-Solarzelle her

Dünnschicht-Photovoltaik überholt mit 20,8 Prozent Wirkungsgrad multikristalline Siliziumtechnologie



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*Ex : $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnS}_4$

** $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3$

FIGURE 4-2: HISTORICAL MODULE AND RECORD CELL EFFICIENCIES THROUGH 2011

Technology	2004	2009	2012	Record Cell
Super Monocrystalline Silicon	16.0%	19.3%	20.1%	25.0%
Monocrystalline Silicon	12.8%	15.0%	16.0%	25.0%
Multicrystalline Silicon	12.5%	14.0%	14.5%	20.4%
CdTe	7.6%	11.0%	12.6%	17.3% (19.6%)
CIGS	10.0%	12.0%	13.3%	20.3% (20.8%)
μc-Si/a-Si	n/a	8.5%	10.2%	12.5%
a-Si (3-j)	6.7%	8.3%	9.7%	12.5%
a-Si (1-j)	6.5%	6.7%	7.5%	10.0%
Organic	n/a	3.5%	4.2%	10.1%

SOURCE: NREL, COMPANY DATA SHEETS, GTM RESEARCH

Value in 2013

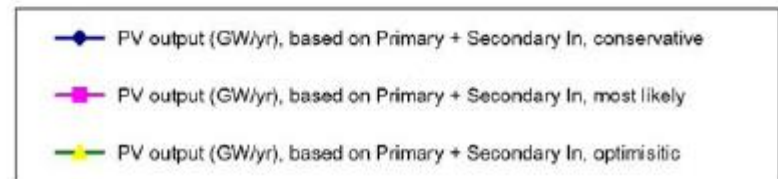
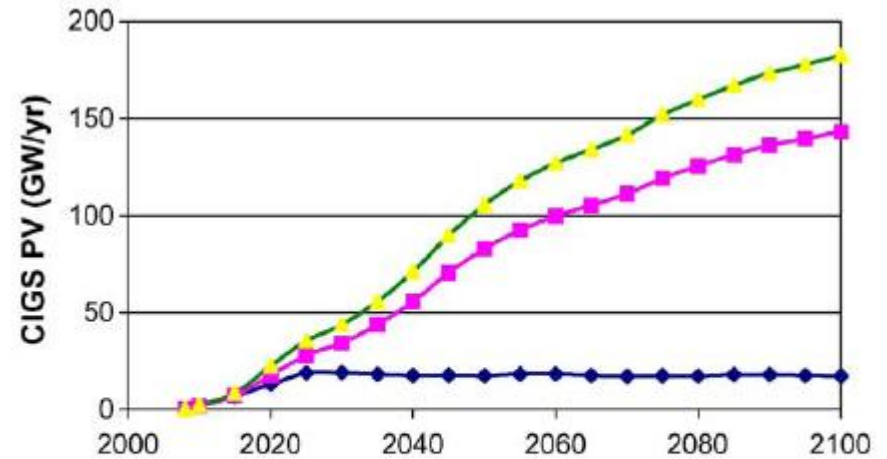
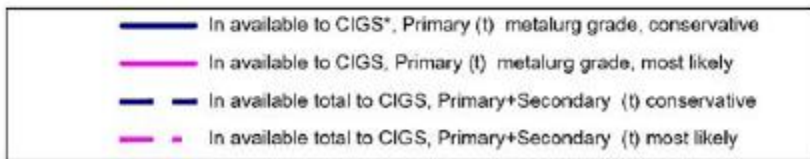
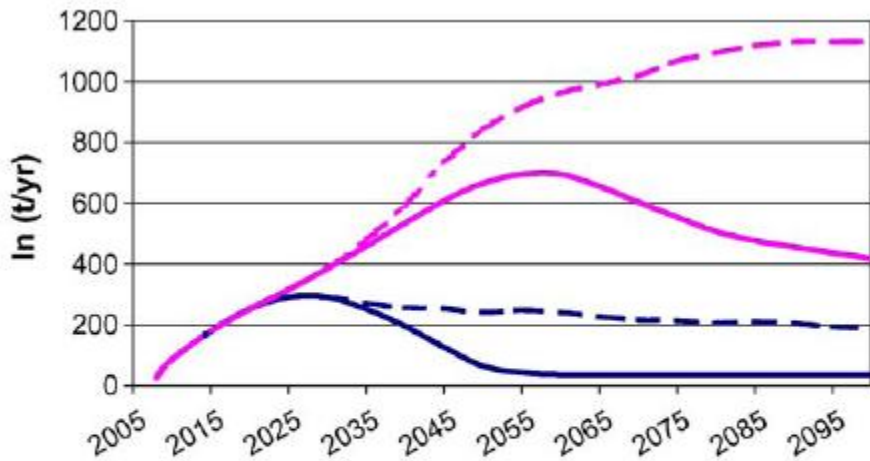
FIGURE 9-7: THIN FILM PRODUCTION BY TECHNOLOGY, HIGH FORECAST, 2010 – 2016E



SOURCE: GTM RESEARCH

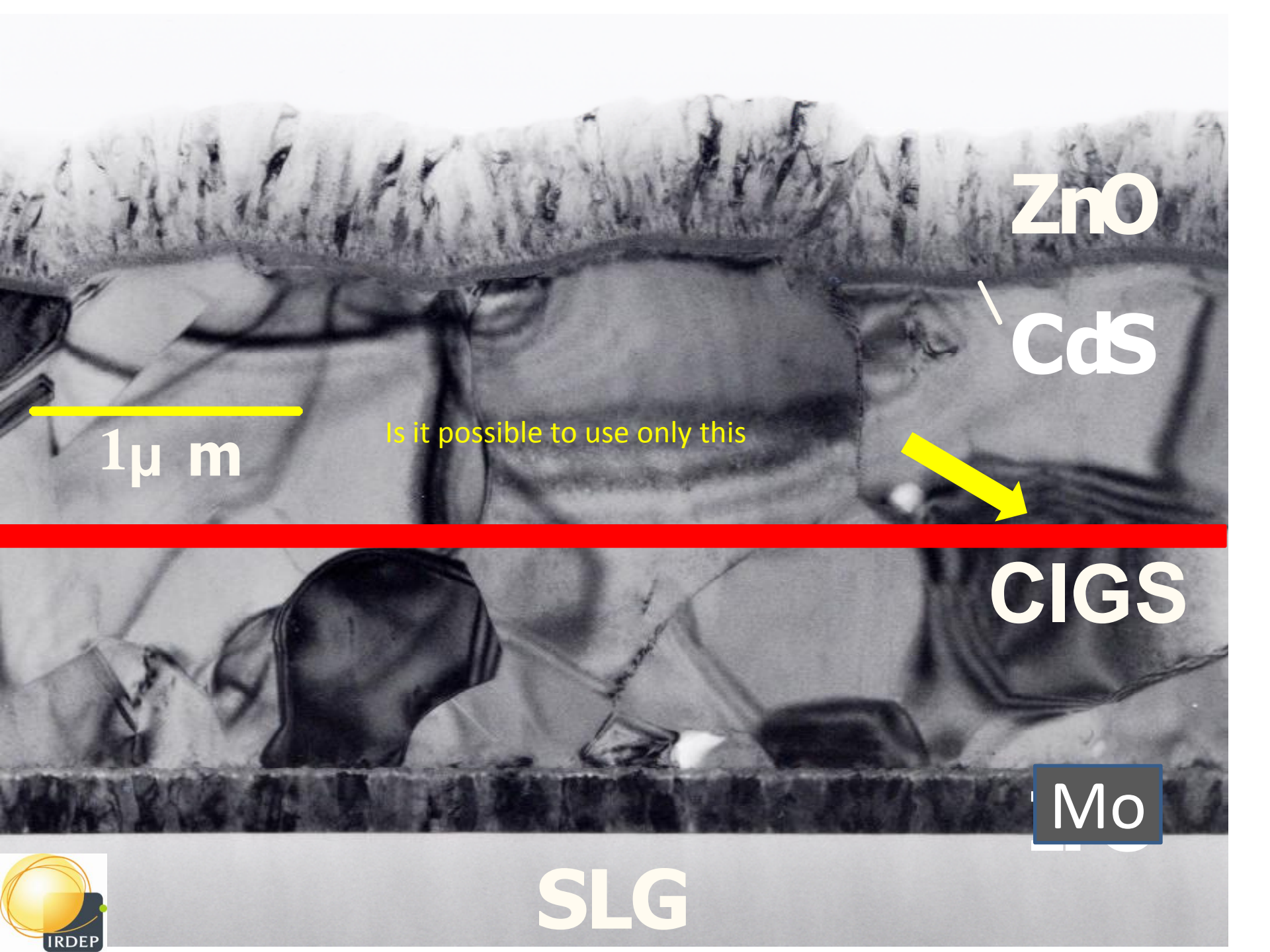
Sustainability of photovoltaics: The case for thin-film solar cells

Vasilis Fthenakis *



PV type	Restricted metal	Baseline-2008		Expected-2020	
		Metal requirement (tonnes/GW)	Refinery production (tonnes)	Metal requirement (tonnes/GW)	Refinery production (tonnes)
CdTe*	Te	176	480	30-80	1412
CIGS*	In	83	545	11-20	797
a-SiGe [#]	Ge	73	95	36-48	153

(1t/GW with advanced architectures)



ZnO

CdS

1 μ m

Is it possible to use only this

CIGS

Mo

SLG

