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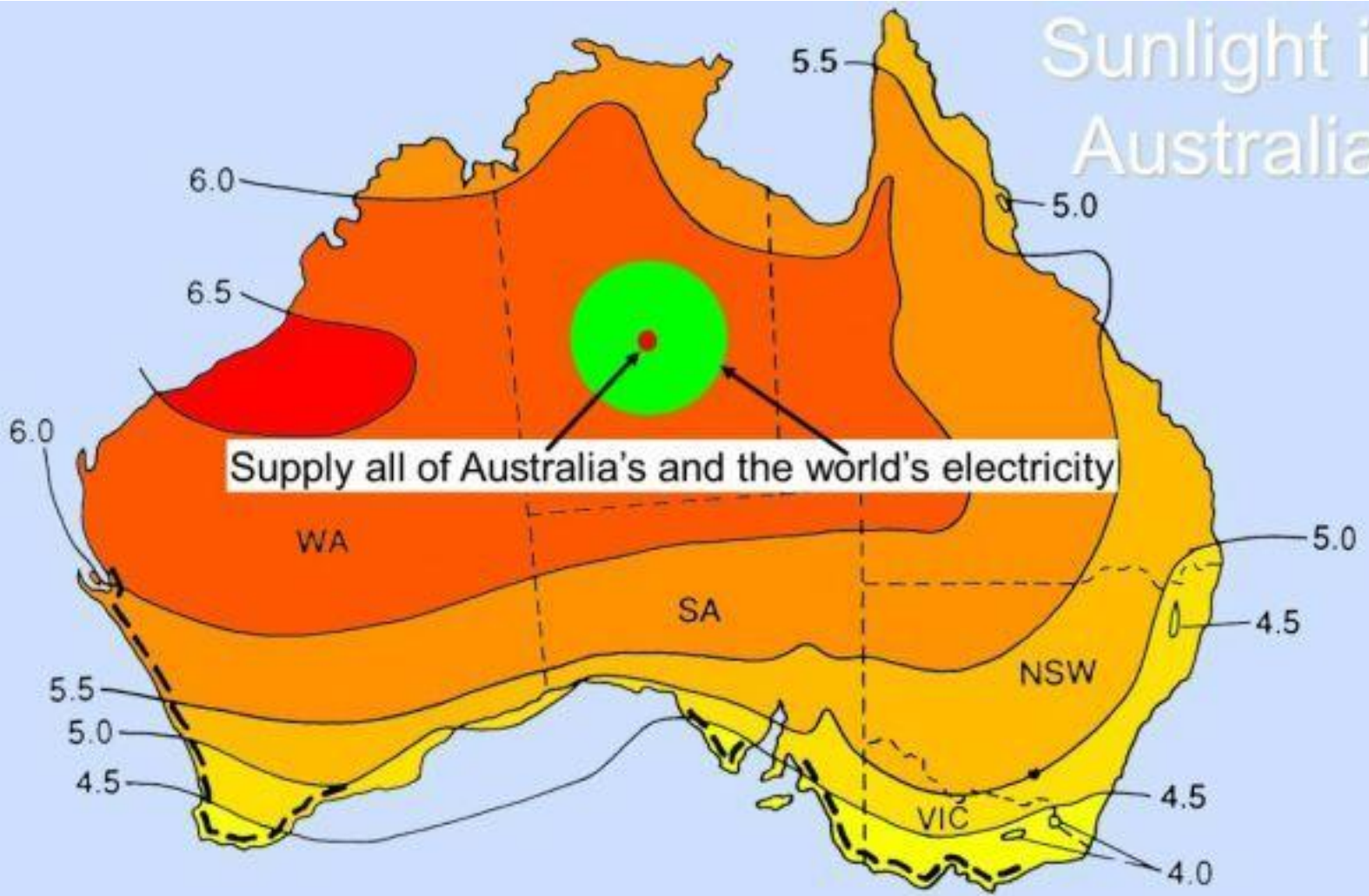
# **Mission Innovation: Hydrogen Valleys**

**Anthony Dewar**

**Antwerp, 26-27 March**



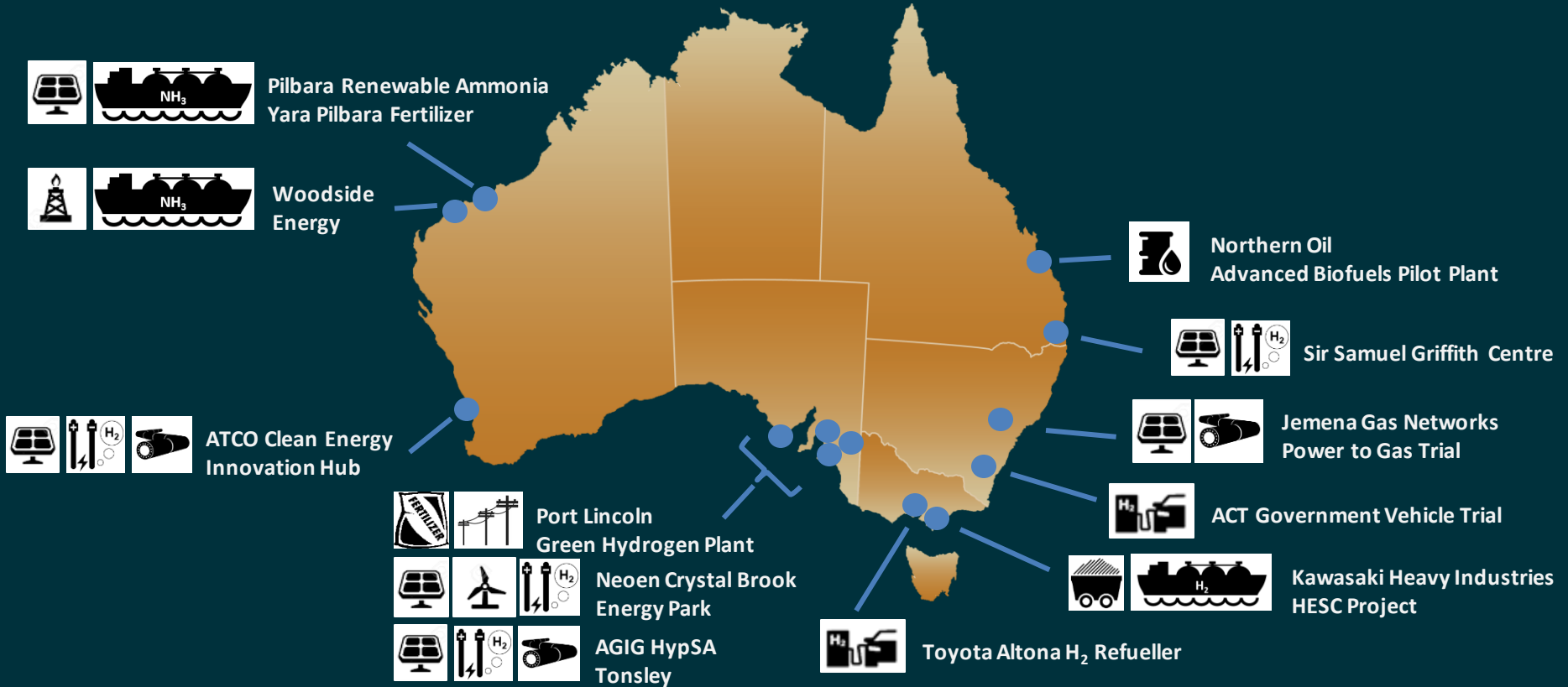
# Sunlight in Australia



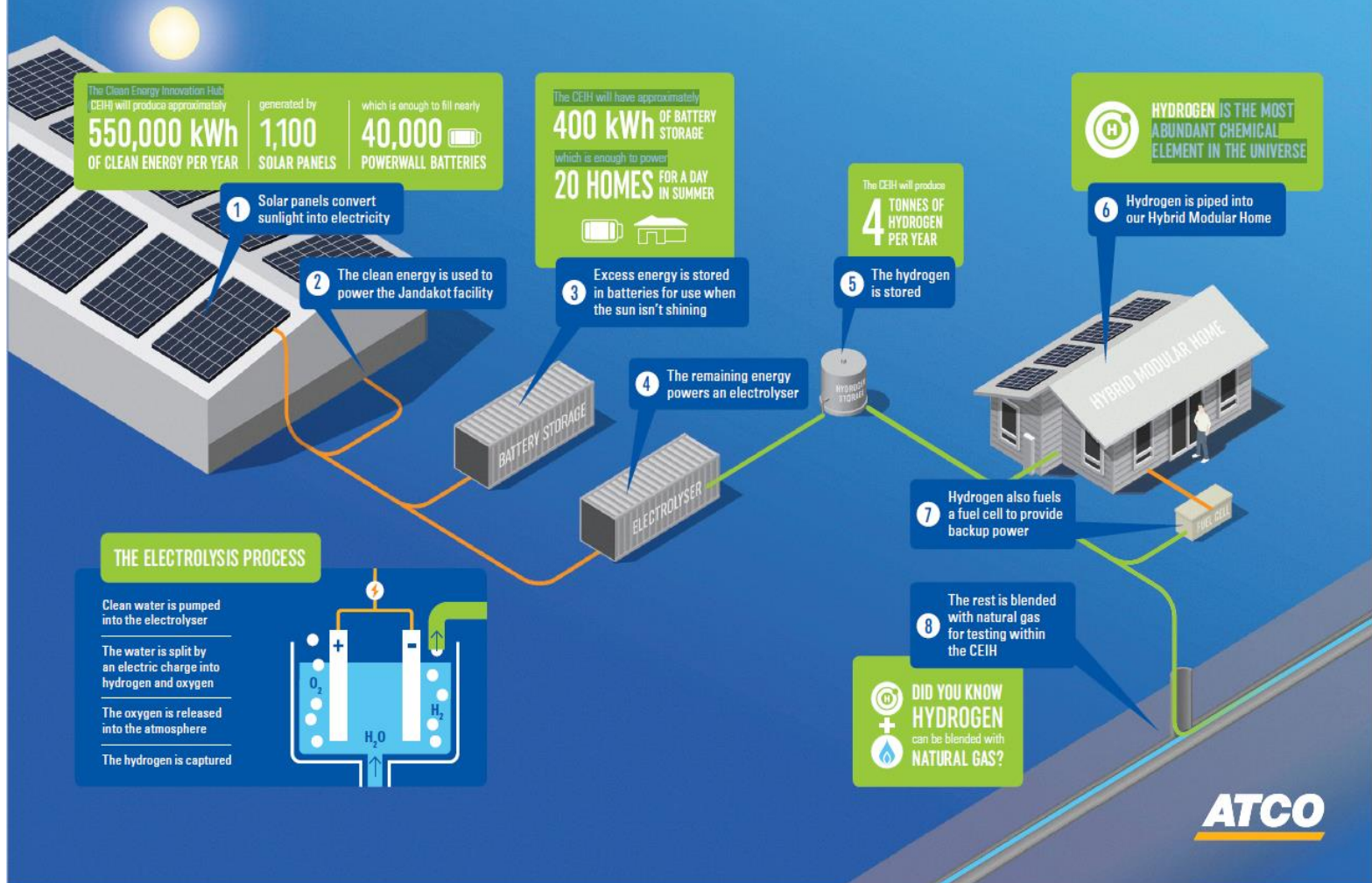
4.5 — average solar radiation (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/day<sup>-1</sup>)  
--- prime areas of wind energy potential



# Demonstration Activities in Australia



# ATCO'S CLEAN ENERGY INNOVATION HUB



The Clean Energy Innovation Hub (CEIH) will produce approximately **550,000 kWh** OF CLEAN ENERGY PER YEAR generated by **1,100** SOLAR PANELS which is enough to fill nearly **40,000** POWERWALL BATTERIES

The CEIH will have approximately **400 kWh** OF BATTERY STORAGE which is enough to power **20 HOMES** FOR A DAY IN SUMMER

**HYDROGEN IS THE MOST ABUNDANT CHEMICAL ELEMENT IN THE UNIVERSE**

**1** Solar panels convert sunlight into electricity

**2** The clean energy is used to power the Jandakot facility

**3** Excess energy is stored in batteries for use when the sun isn't shining

**4** The remaining energy powers an electrolyser

The CEIH will produce **4** TONNES OF HYDROGEN PER YEAR

**5** The hydrogen is stored

**6** Hydrogen is piped into our Hybrid Modular Home

**7** Hydrogen also fuels a fuel cell to provide backup power

**8** The rest is blended with natural gas for testing within the CEIH

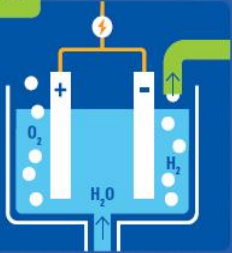
## THE ELECTROLYSIS PROCESS

Clean water is pumped into the electrolyser

The water is split by an electric charge into hydrogen and oxygen

The oxygen is released into the atmosphere

The hydrogen is captured



**DID YOU KNOW HYDROGEN can be blended with NATURAL GAS?**

# Sir Samuel Griffith Centre

- Entirely off-grid
- over 1,000 solar PV panels, covering the roof and window shades
- Electrolyser with H<sub>2</sub> stored as stable metal hydrides
- H<sub>2</sub> used as needed to generate electricity in a fuel cell.



# CRYSTAL BROOK

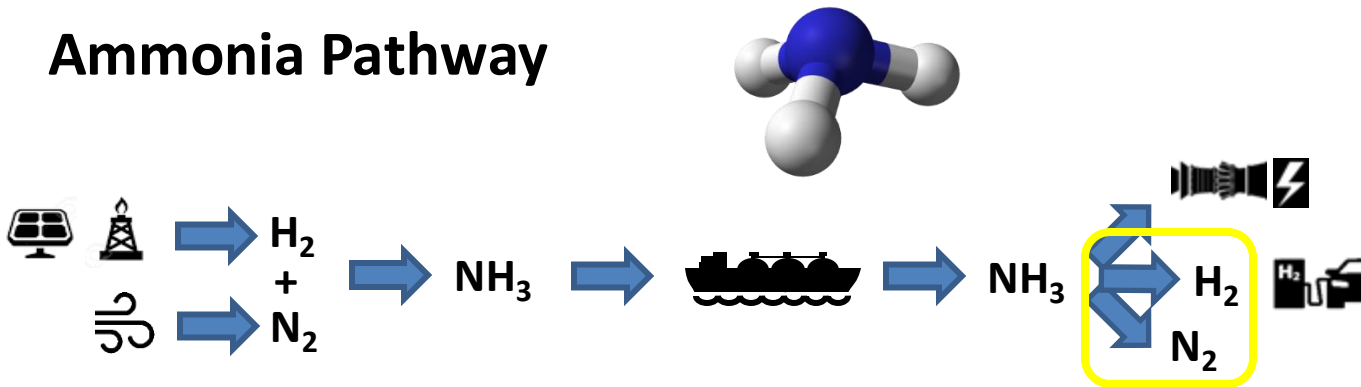
## ENERGY PARK

### The Crystal Brook Energy Park will include:

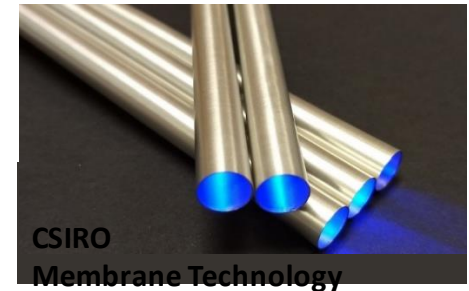
- The \$500 million project, which has been two years in the development pipeline
- Up to 125MW of wind generation comprising 26 turbines (up to 240m in height)
- Up to 150MW of solar PV generation)
- Up to 130MW/400MWh of lithium-ion battery storage
- Up to 50MW of hydrogen production capability (or up to 25,000kg per day) on-site or at nearby Port Pirie ([pending feasibility study](#))



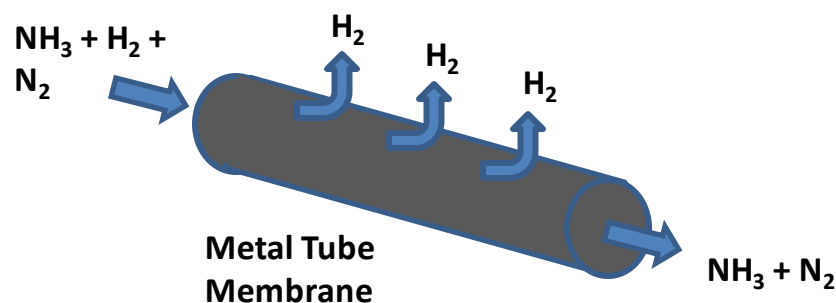
# Ammonia Pathway



- A globally traded commodity (fertilizer)
- Favourable hydrogen density ( $kg/m^3$ )
- Ammonia synthesis and shipping is a mature large scale industry
- Opportunity to leverage existing infrastructure
- Can be transported at room temperature
- Current cost as hydrogen carrier ~AU\$1.50/kg (€ 92.6/kg)
- **Hydrogen separation at point of use a technical challenge**



# CSIRO Hydrogen Separation Membrane Technology



## Design Principles:

- Minimise materials costs (use of palladium)
- Use scalable manufacturing techniques (metal tube extrusion and electroplating)
- Prioritise purity over flux (to meet ISO14687 for PEM fuel cells)

# 5 kg H<sub>2</sub> per day pilot plant



CSIRO NH<sub>3</sub>-to-H<sub>2</sub> system



Refuelling Demonstration (August 2018)

FORTESCUE Metals Group has formed a A\$20 million hydrogen research partnership with CSIRO.



CSIRO CEO Dr Larry Marshall with FMG chairman Andrew Forrest



Fortescue and CSIRO enter into landmark partnership to develop and commercialise hydrogen technology

Nov 22, 2018





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- Australia has commissioned a national strategy for hydrogen, to be completed by the end of 2019.
  - Investigating the feasibility of allowing up to 10 per cent hydrogen in the domestic gas network
  - Scoping the need for refuelling stations in every state and territory
- 8th International Conference on Hydrogen Safety (ICHS 2019), Adelaide 24-26 September 2019

