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## **LC-FINING Options for Heavy Oil Upgrading**

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# Representations



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**Chevron Lummus Global (CLG) uses a proprietary Bitumen Linear Programming (LP) Model for screening of process configurations during early scouting work.**

**The LP program was developed and tuned for Bitumen operations by CLG's Manager of Process Planning, Gary Sieli**

**Dr. Nash Gupta provided the reactor kinetics for the Bitumen Model**

**Please note:**

***The information contained in this presentation is not representative of CLG's licensee's actual upgrading operations in Alberta, Canada. This information is only meant to be typical of what a new operator could consider in early planning studies of bitumen upgrading.***

## The **ISO** Family of **CLG** Licensed Technologies for Fuels:

**ISOCRACKING**

**ISOTREATING**

**ISOFINING**

**LC-FINING**

**UFR**

**OCR**

**RDS**

**VRDS**

**Distillate Hydrocracking**

**Naphtha & Distillate Hydrotreating**

**Mild Residue Hydrocracking**

**Residue Hydrocracking**

**Residue Up Flow Reactor**

**On-line Catalyst Replacement**

**Residue Desulfurization**

**Vacuum Residue Desulfurization**

# Intent of this presentation



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- **Provide example configurations of CLG residue hydrocracking units producing synthetic crude oil (SCO) from 200,000 BPSD of Steam Assisted Gravity Drainage (SAGD) Athabasca bitumen.**
- **Compare these example configurations to newly proposed cases where solvent deasphalting (SDA) is deployed for residue gasification as a source of hydrogen, CO<sub>2</sub> and fuel for SAGD recovery and upgrading of bitumen to synthetic crude oil (SCO).**
- **Look at incremental VGO hydrocracking as a source of higher quality SCO in today's market**

# Comparison of Heavy Crudes



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<u>Heavy Crude</u>	Arab Heavy	Orinoco	Athabasca (SAGD)	Maya
Gravity, API	27.9	8.0	8.4	22
Sulfur, wt%	2.9	3.6	4.9	3.6
Nitrogen, wppm	1700	6700	5400	2200
Vanadium, wppm	57	500	175	275
Nickel, wppm	18	120	65	50
CCR, wt%	8	17	13	11.5

# Operating CLG Licensed Bitumen Units in Canada



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**ISO/LC-FINING Units** **130,000**  
**BPD (3)**



**ISOCRACKING Units** **52,000**  
**BPD (2)**

**ISOTREATING Units** **105,000**  
**BPD (2)**

**Operating CLG Units** **287,000**  
**BPD (7)**



# CLG Licensed Bitumen Units Under EP&Construction in Canada



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**ISO/LC-FINING Units  
BPD (2) 74,000**



**ISOCRACKING Units  
BPD (2) 108,000**



**ISOTREATING Units  
BPD (3) 245,000**

**New CLG Units  
BPD (7) 427,000**

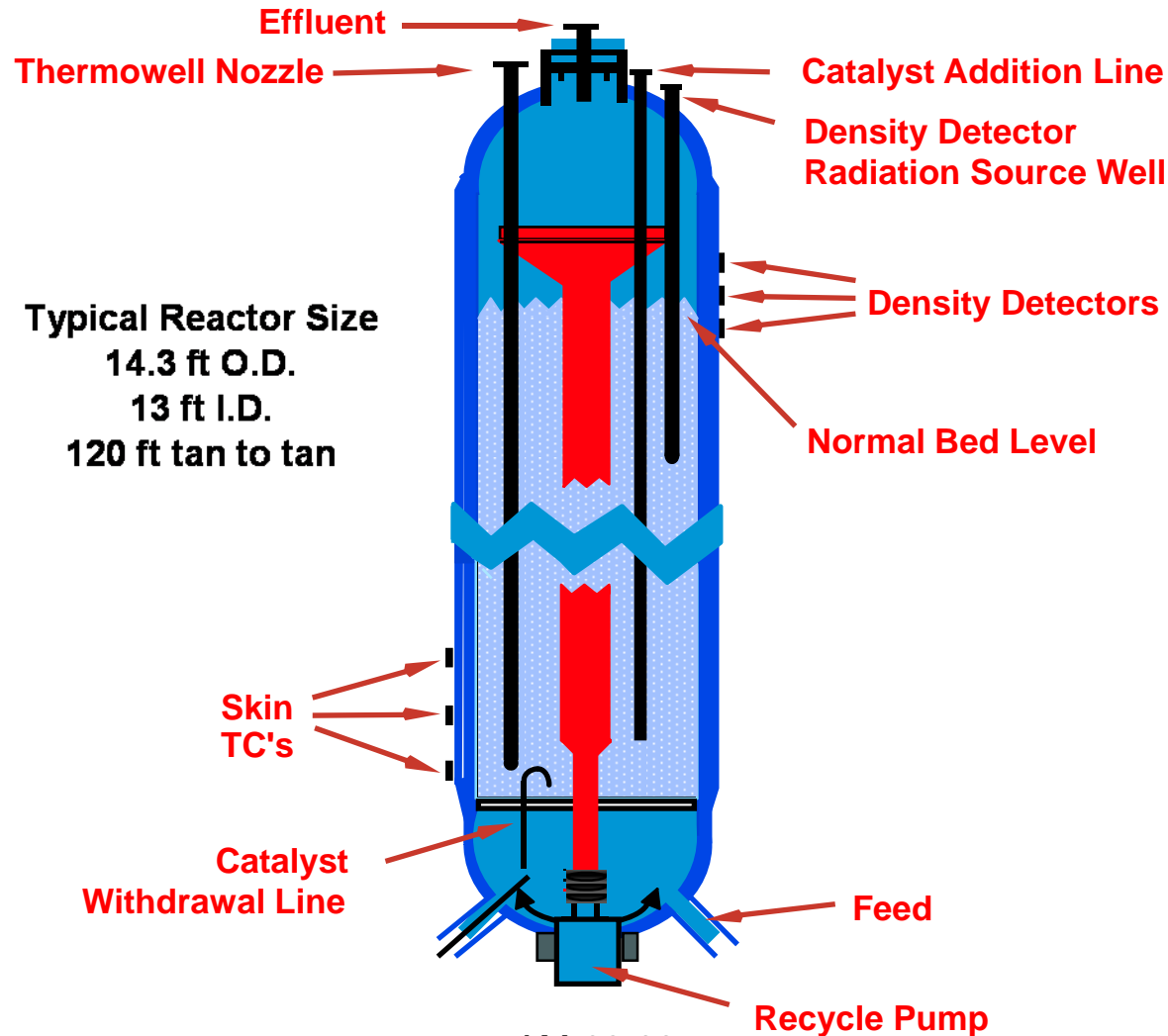


**Total CLG Units  
BPD (14) 714,000**

# Schematic of CLG's Ebullated Bed Reactors for Residue Hydrocracking



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# Current ISOFINING/LC-FINING Configurations



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## ISOFINING Configuration

- Operating at Syncrude since 1985
- Mild Residue Hydrocracking  
(~60% 975 F conversion)
- **Single Stage** Ebulated Bed Reactors feeding **atmospheric residue** with two or more reactors in parallel per train

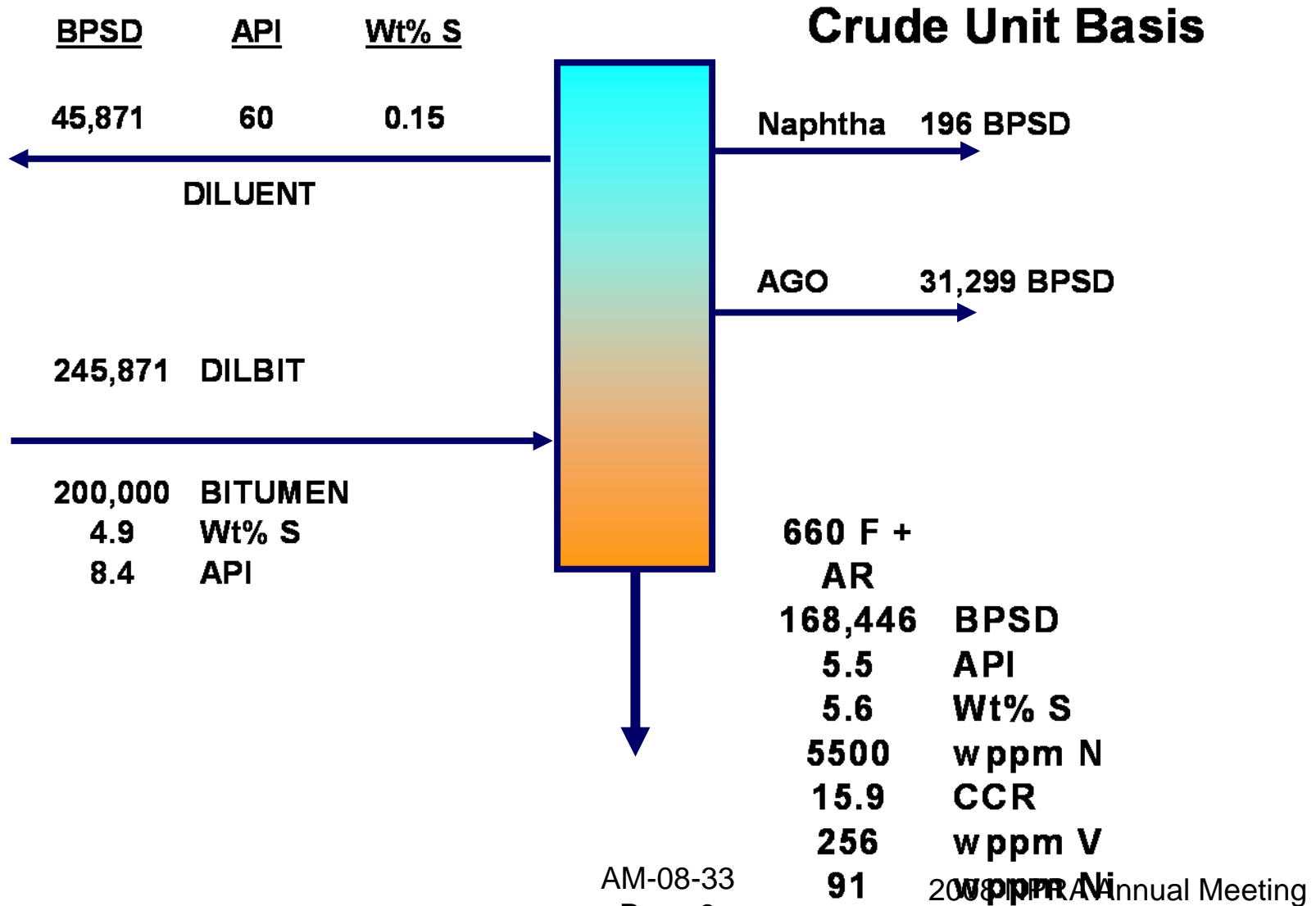
## LC-FINING Configuration

- Operating at Shell Canada since 2003
- Moderate Residue Hydrocracking  
(~75+% 975 F conversion)
- **Two or more stages** of Ebulated Bed Reactors in series feeding **vacuum residue** with each train having at least two reactors

# Bitumen Atmospheric Distillation



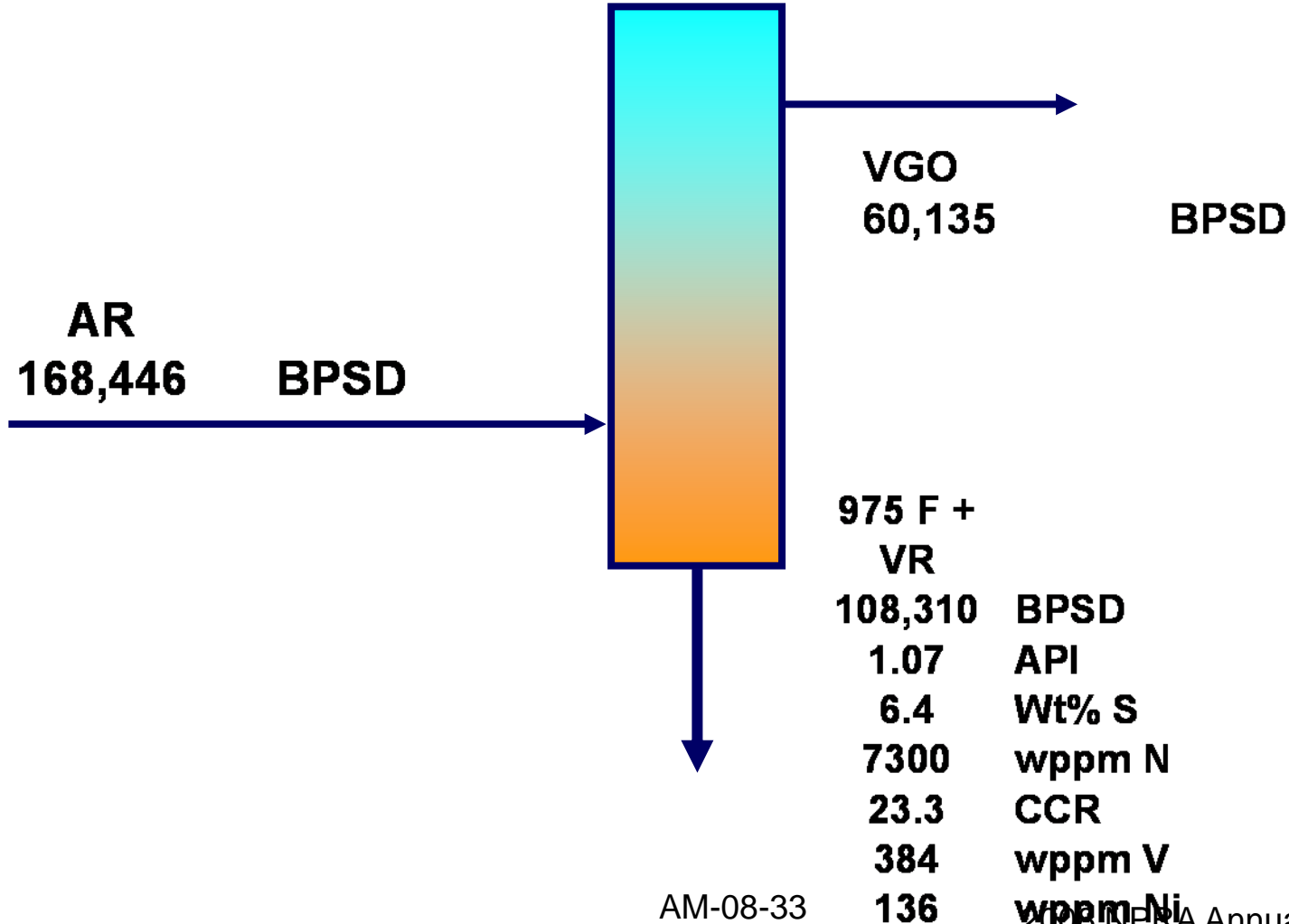
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# Bitumen Vacuum Distillation



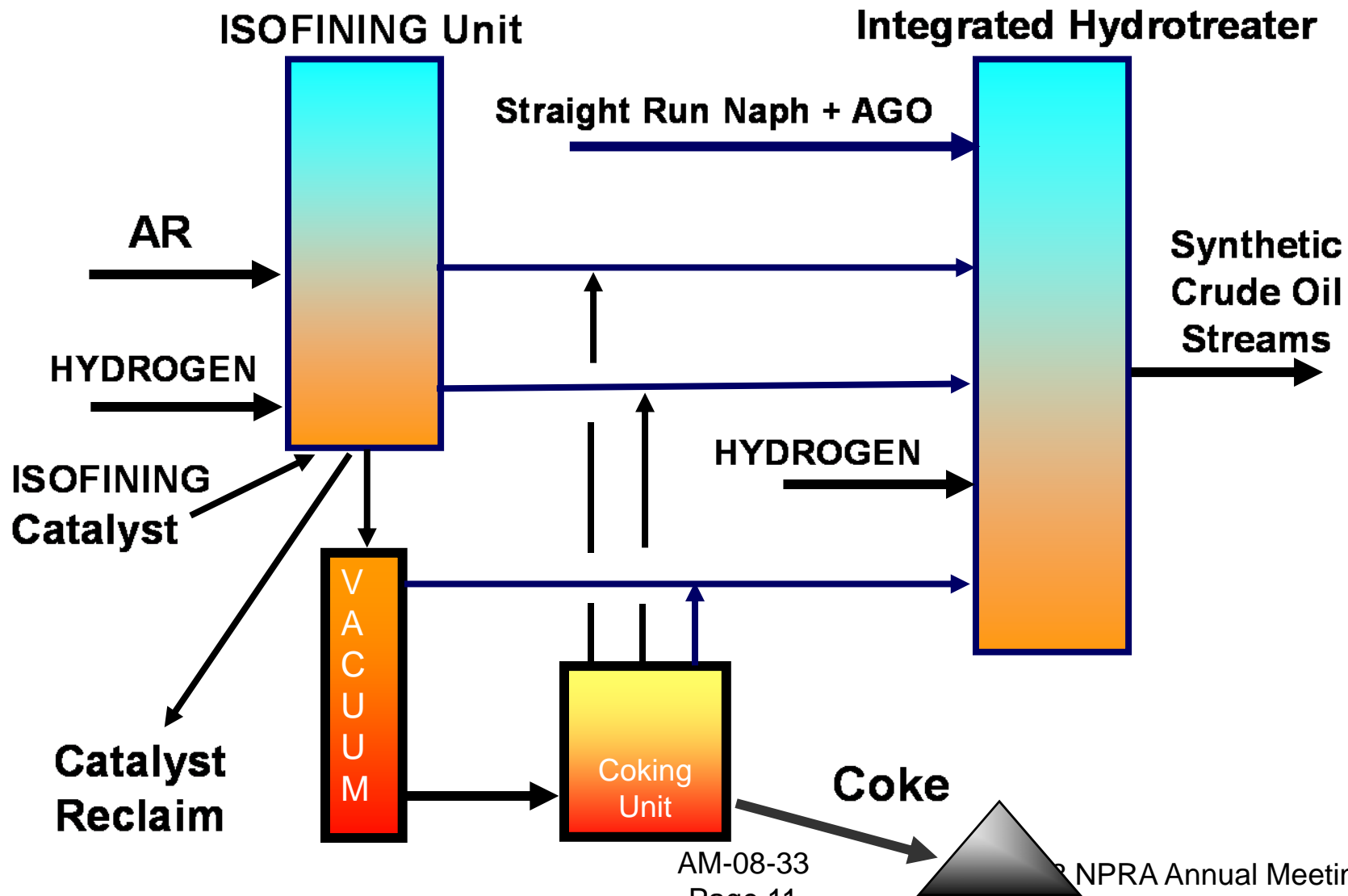
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# ISOFINING Configuration for Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)



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# ISOFINING Streams for Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)



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Item	Butane	Naphtha	Kero	Diesel	VGO	Resid	SCO
BPSD	3,457	34,515	28,714	67,605	68,298	0	202,587
API		66.8	39	31	22		35.3
Wppm S		5	36	21	400		200
Wppm N		4			100		
Smoke, mm			16				
Cetane Number				42			

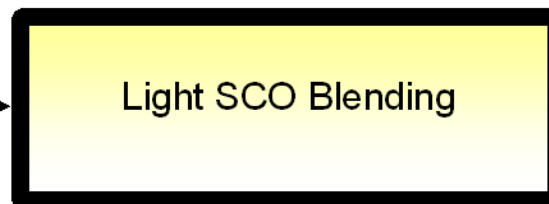
# Example ISOFINING to SCO Blending



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## Light SCO

202,587 BPSD  
35 API  
0 Wt% S



## Light Synthetic

31.1 API  
0.12 Wt% S  
0.04 MCR Wt%

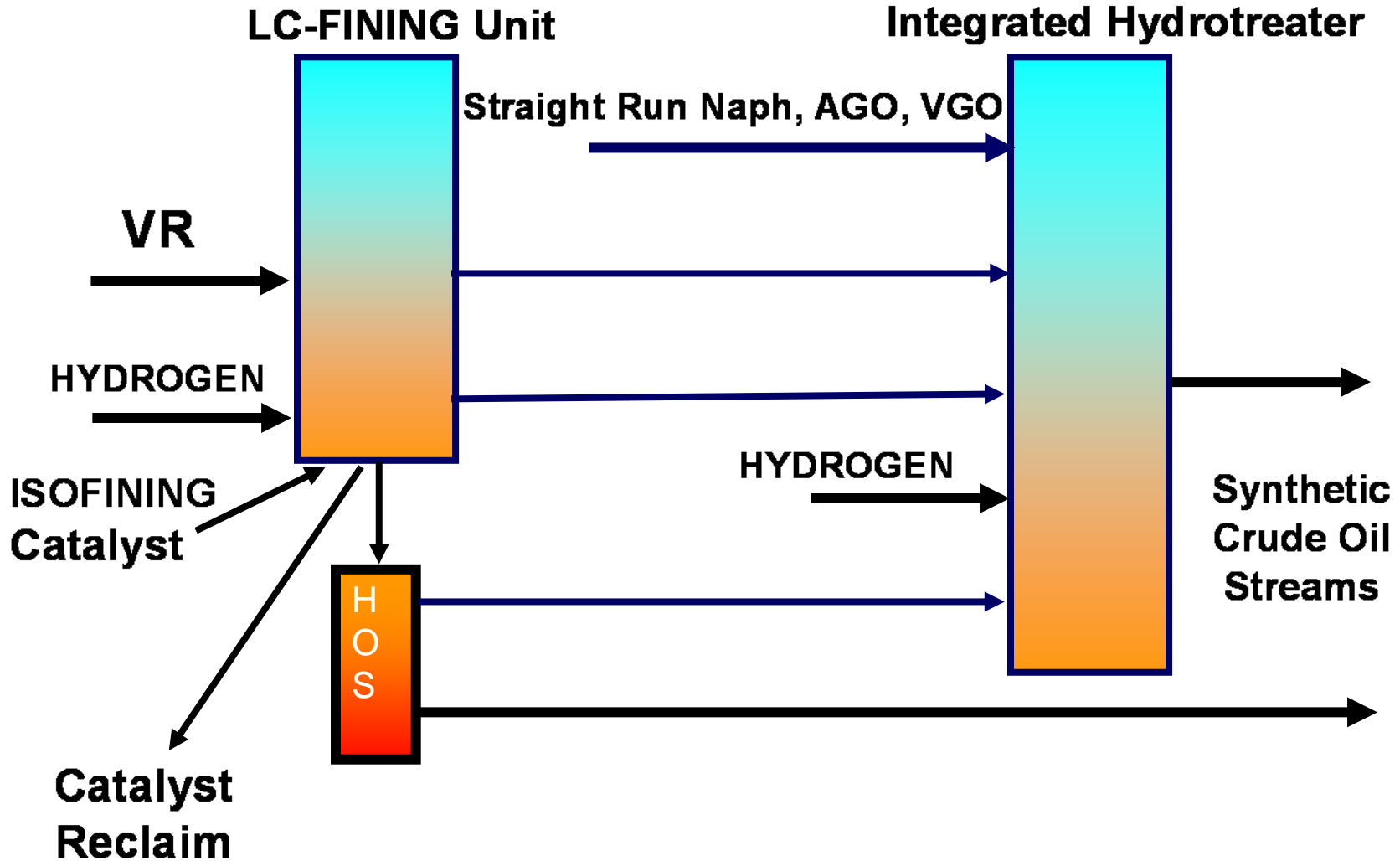
## Other Streams



# LC-FINING Configuration for Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)



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# LC-FINING Streams for Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)



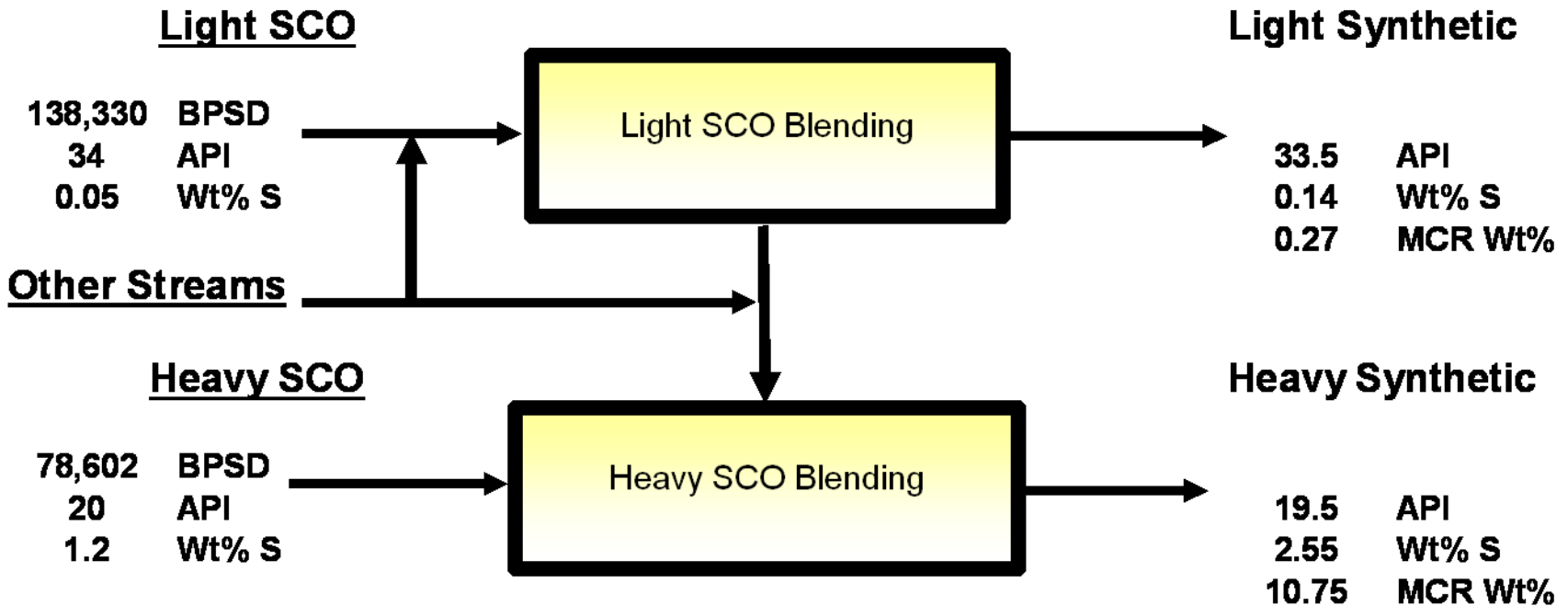
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Item	Butane	Naphtha	Kero	Diesel	VGO	Resid	SCO
BPSD	3,508	29,289	27,470	53,819	81,376	21.468	216,932
API		63.1	43	33	20.1		28.6
Wppm S		5	35	26	3300		5000
Wppm N		5			860		
Smoke, mm			18				
Cetane Number				47			

# Example LC-FINING to SCO Blending



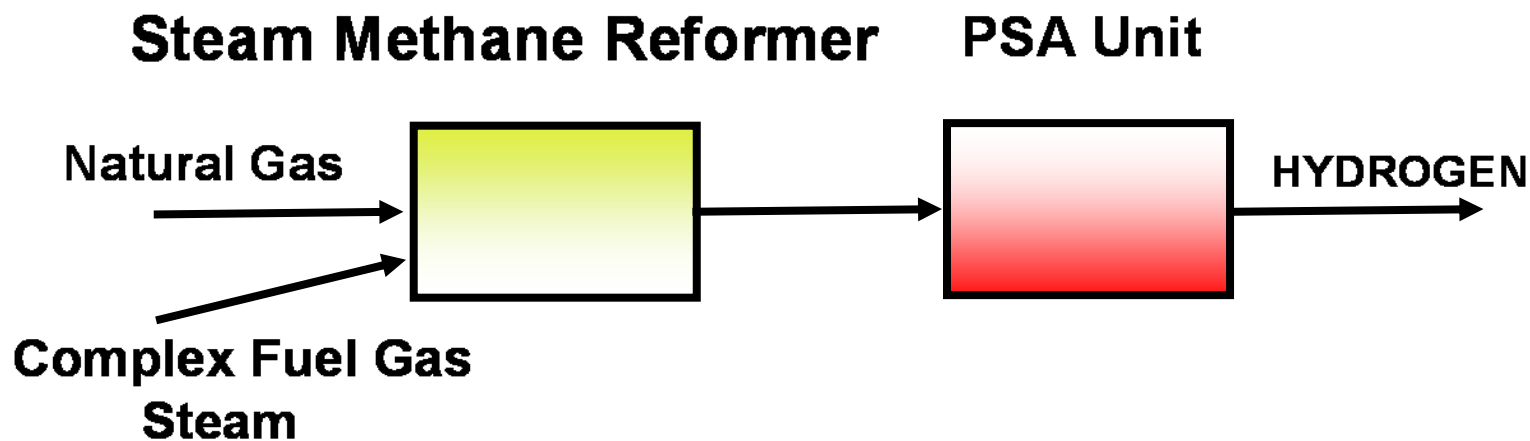
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# Hydrogen Production for Both ISOFINING and LC-FINING Cases



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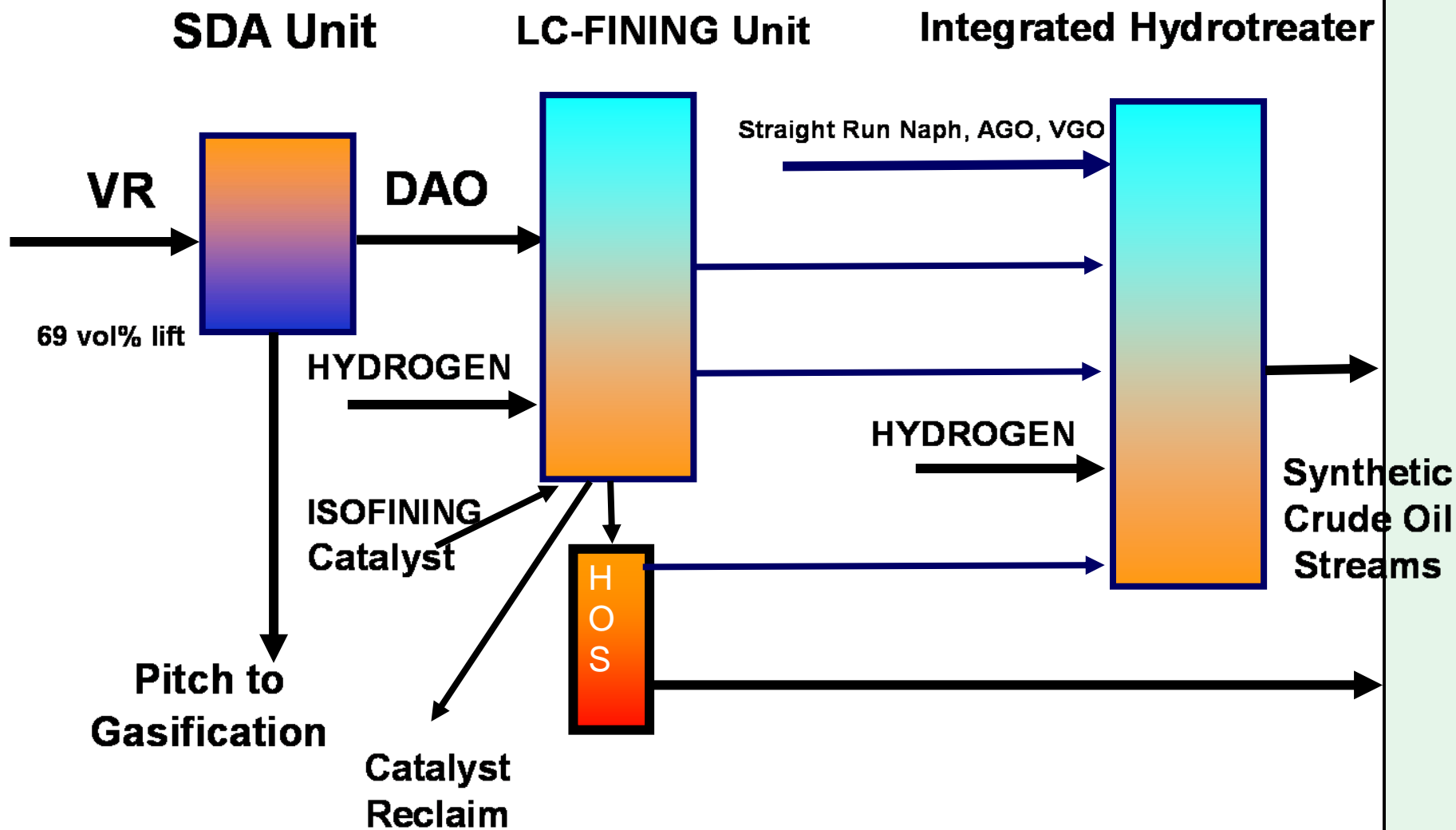


Configuration	Purchased Natural Gas MMSCFD	Feed Hydrogen, MMSCFD
ISOFINING	76	352
LC-FINING	79	329

# Add Solvent Deasphalting (SDA) to LC-FINING Configuration



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# Add SDA to LC-FINING for Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)



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Item	Butane	Naphtha	Kero	Diesel	VGO	Resid	SCO
BPSD	3,098	22,951	21,225	46,725	73,204	8,494	175,697
API		64.1	40	32	17.6		29.4
Wppm S		6	32	21	4600		4100
Wppm N		5			1400		
Smoke, mm			17				
Cetane Number				46			

# Example SDA + LC-FINING to SCO Blending



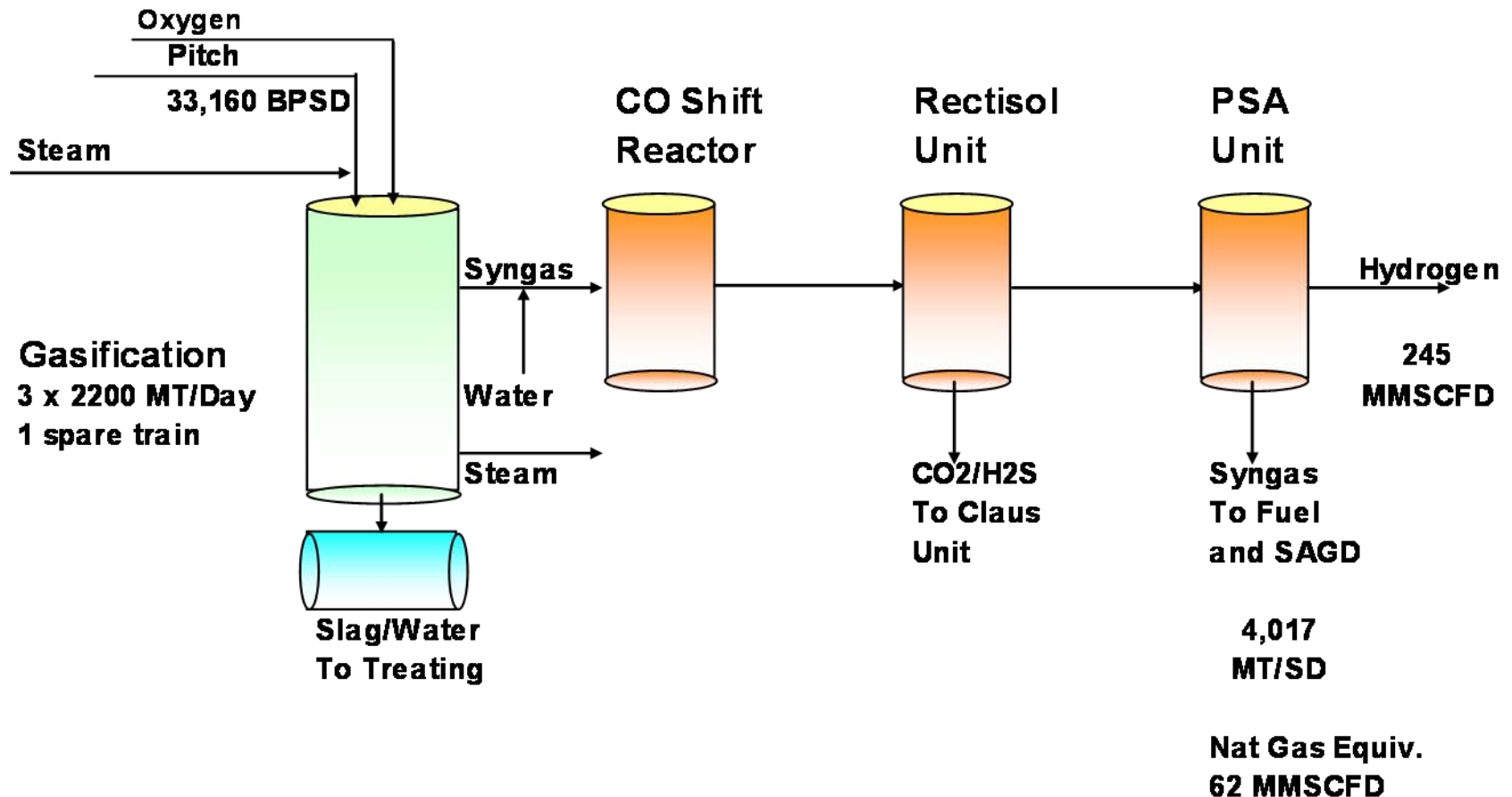
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# Hydrogen From Gasification add SDA to LC-FINING



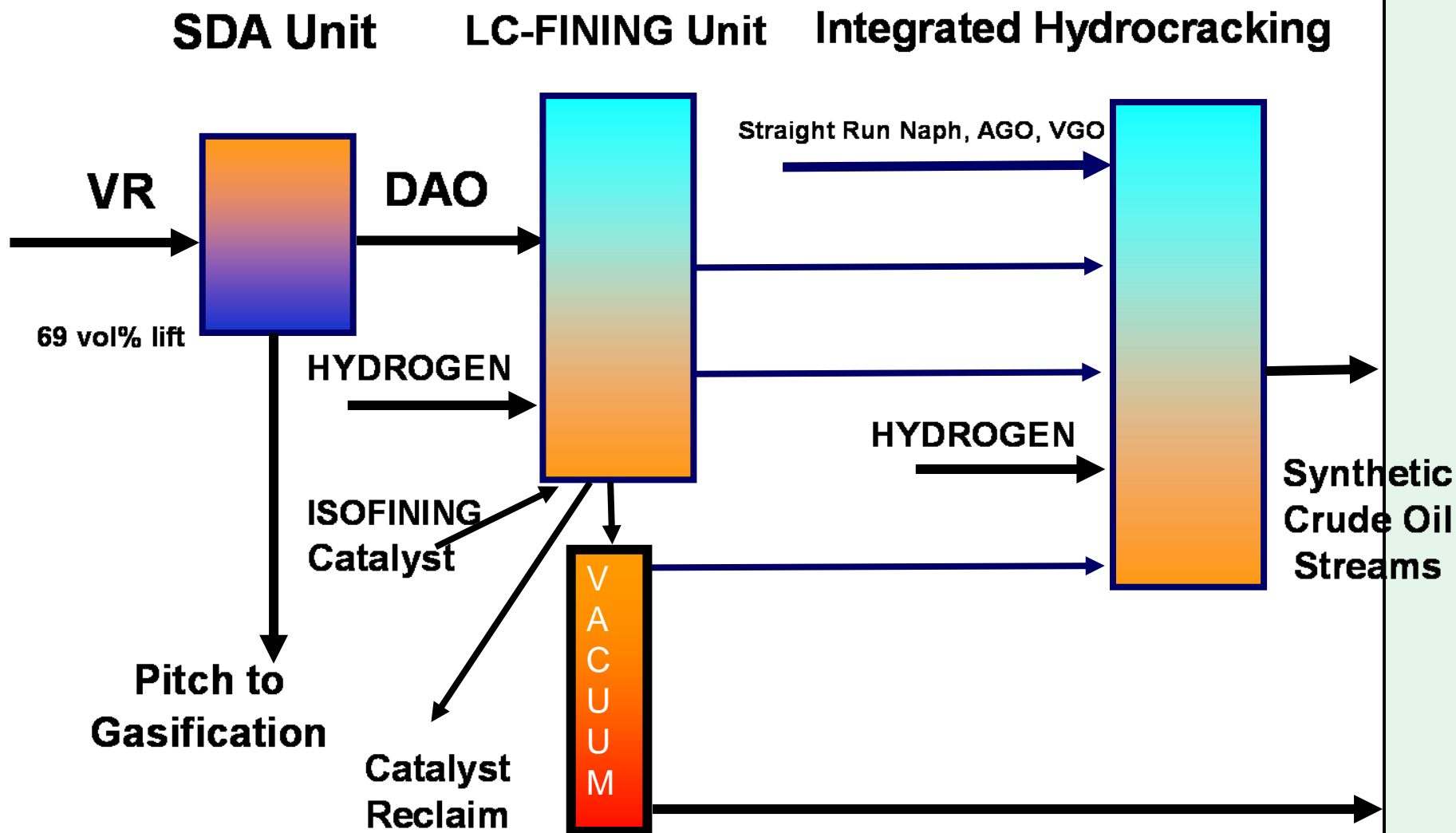
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# Add Hydrocracking and SDA to LC-FINING Configuration



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# Add HCK + SDA to LC-FINING for Synthetic Crude Oil (SCO)



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Item	Butane	Naphtha	Kero	Diesel	VGO	Resid	SCO
BPSD	4,741	47,708	31,647	41,100	50,831	8,494	184,525
API		58.4	46	35	26.7		37.3
Wppm S		4	42	55	600		2200
Wppm N		2			400		
Smoke, mm			19				
Cetane Number				49			

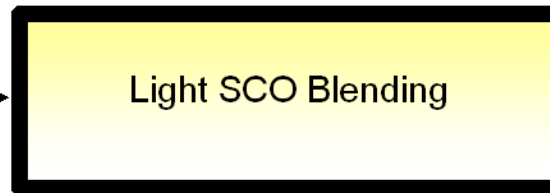
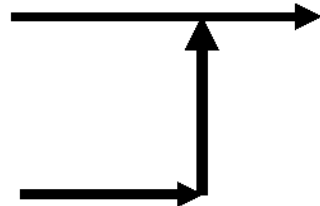
# Example HCK+ SDA + LC-FINING to SCO Blending



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## Light SCO

184,525 BPSD  
37.3 API  
0.2 Wt% S



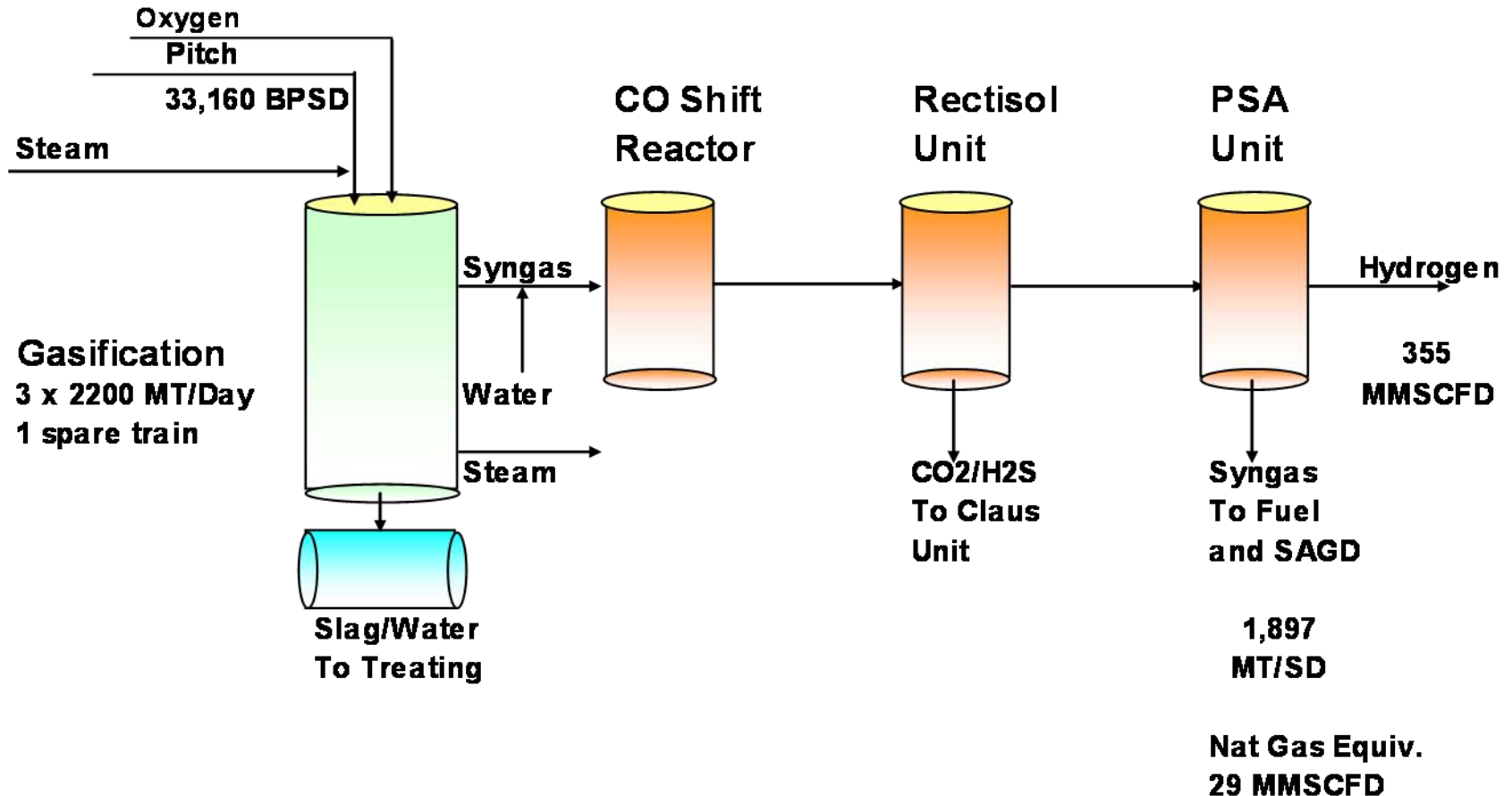
## Light Synthetic

31.1 API  
0.12 Wt% S  
0.04 MCR Wt%

# Hydrogen From Gasification add HCK, SDA to LC-FINING



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# LC-FINING Options for 200,000 BPSD Bitumen Upgrading - Summary



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Item	ISOFINING	LC-FINING	Add SDA	Add HCK
<b>SCO, BPSD</b>	<b>202,567</b>	<b>216,932</b>	<b>175,697</b>	<b>184,525</b>
<b>API</b>	<b>35.3</b>	<b>28.6</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>37.3</b>
<b>Wt% S</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>H2, MMSCFD</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>355</b>
<b>Power, MW</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>229</b>
<b>Nat. Gas MMSCFD</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>(62)</b>	<b>(29)</b>

# Summary: Bitumen LP Model



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- **The Bitumen LP Model is well suited for conceptual studies of grass roots upgrading facilities or for revamping refineries for heavy Canadian crude oils using LC-FINING, coking or SDA**
- **Model includes all normal process units, scalable offsites, utilities, capital cost vectors and economic constraints**
- **Cost escalation in Alberta has driven upgrading capital costs to 50,000 – 70,000 \$/BPSD range somewhat independent of processing scheme.**
- **SDA + Gasification of heavy residues is one option under consideration to mitigate natural gas price escalation due to the decline in Canadian gas production. Options to concentrate CO<sub>2</sub> gas for enhanced oil recovery may also be evaluated in the Model**

