

# Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF) — Introduction and Frequently Asked Questions

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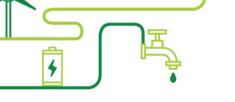




















#### Why Low Carbon Aviation Fuels (LCAF)?

- LCAF is a fossil-based aviation fuel that meets CORSIA Sustainability Criteria
  - > Net greenhouse gas emissions of at least 10% lower compared to the baseline life cycle emissions values for aviation fuel on a life cycle basis

- >LCAF can contribute GHG reductions that are complementary to the GHG reductions from SAF in lowering overall aviation fuel carbon intensity
  - > Both LCAF and SAF would be CORSIA eligible fuels and, as such, used by an operator to reduce its offsetting requirements under CORSIA

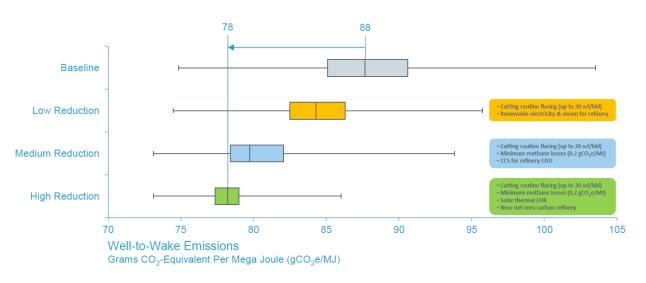




#### Options for making Low Carbon Aviation Fuels (LCAF)

- > Lower the carbon intensity from hydrocarbon production and from refining and distribution of petroleum-based aviation fuels
- > Techniques to reduce the baseline LCA emissions value for aviation fuel from 89 gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ include:
  - Enhanced energy efficiency
  - Reduction of routine flaring
  - Minimizing methane emissions
  - Incorporating renewable electricity and steam into refinery operations
  - > Application of Carbon Capture and Storage
- > Implementation of LCAF rewards improved operational practices with a clear incentive for lowering carbon intensity production

#### Aviation Fuel GHG Emissions Reduction



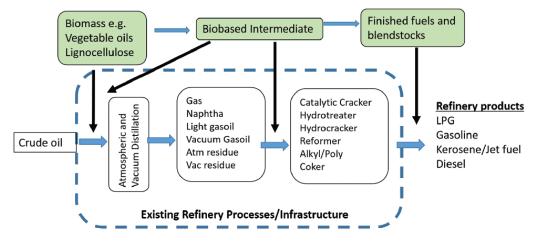
Source: J-C Monfort and H.M. El-Houjeiri, Aramco Services Company (2019)





### Co-processing may be an option to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> intensity for traditional aviation fuels

- Molecules from a range of biological origins can be commingled and treated in a refinery to produce lower carbon intensity finished products
- ASTM D1655 recognizes that co-processing of mono-, diand triglycerides, free fatty acids, and fatty acid esters producing co-hydroprocessed hydrocarbon synthetic kerosene as being acceptable for manufacture of aviation fuel
- Co-processing brings certain advantages:
  - · GHG reductions are material and near-term
  - No change to fuel distribution system, consumer behaviour, or customer-facing infrastructure
  - No new engine design or fleet requirements
  - New feedstocks can be brought on stream as available



Source: Van Dyk et al. Potential synergies of drop-in biofuel production with further co-processing at oil refineries



#### What are the challenges for LCAF?

- ➤ Better stakeholder understanding of scale of aviation fuels industry and contribution LCAF can make alongside SAF
- ➤ Development of detailed LCA methodologies for the consideration of lower carbon aviation fuel (LCAF) under CORSIA
- Understanding and mitigating any potential impacts to existing infrastructure
- > Ensuring product quality throughout the supply chain







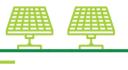












#### Next Steps in cooperation and collaboration

- > IPIECA members have significant technical expertise along the fuel supply chain with both conventional hydrocarbon and renewable fuels and a long history of extensive collaborations with regulators and OEMs around the world on product quality specifications
- > IPIECA looks forward to engaging more fully with ICAO in the technical work involving Lower Carbon Aviation Fuels

