Established Carbon Capture Technology – VSA and Amine Solvent



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	VSA – vacuum swing adsorption	Amine Solvent with tower contactors
Separation principle	Adsorption	Absorption
Specific energy demand	1.7 GJ/t _{co2} (mostly power)	3 GJ/t _{co2} (mostly heat from steam)
Typical temperature	40°C	40-60°C in absorber, 120°C in stripper
Typical pressure	Cycling between moderate pressure and vacuum	Ambient to 30 bar
Typical CO ₂ removal	< 90 %	>90 %
Typical CO ₂ purity	< 95 %	>99 %
Typical plant size (tonnes	>1,000-500,000	40,000 - 4,000,000
per year CO ₂ removal)		
Technology maturity level	Commercial with some demonstrations, eg Air Products Port Arthur SMRs, USA	Commercial from many suppliers