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Advanced Lightweight Electric Vehicle Architectures



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Our work and network in automotive and lightweight materials fields

- **1996-1999:** MULTEXCOMP
- **2000-2004:** TECABS
- **2005-2009:** SuperLight Car
- **2010-2013:** ELVA
- **2010-2013:** DELIVER
- **2010-2014:** HIVOCOMP
- **2012-2016:** ALIVE
- **2012-2016:** ENLIGHT
- **2012-2016:** MATISSE
- **2012-2016:** SAFE-EV
- **2013-2016:** EPSILON
- **2013-2017:** IMPROVE



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- Setting the context
- Lightweight design for sustainable mobility
- The ALIVE project
- The ENLIGHT project
- The SEAM cluster
- How to keep in touch



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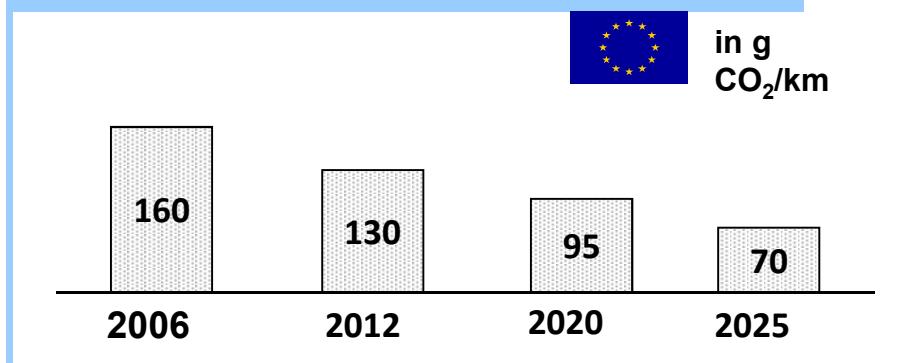


- In the year 2050 more than 9 billion humans will live on Earth, of which more than **5 billion will live in cities.** (UN)
- By 2030, there will be more than **500 cities** in the world with populations of more than 1 million each; more than half will be in Asia. **More than 27 will be megacities** with over 10 million inhabitants.

⇒ Increasing demand on urban mobility
... with zero-emissions ideally



C0₂ emission development



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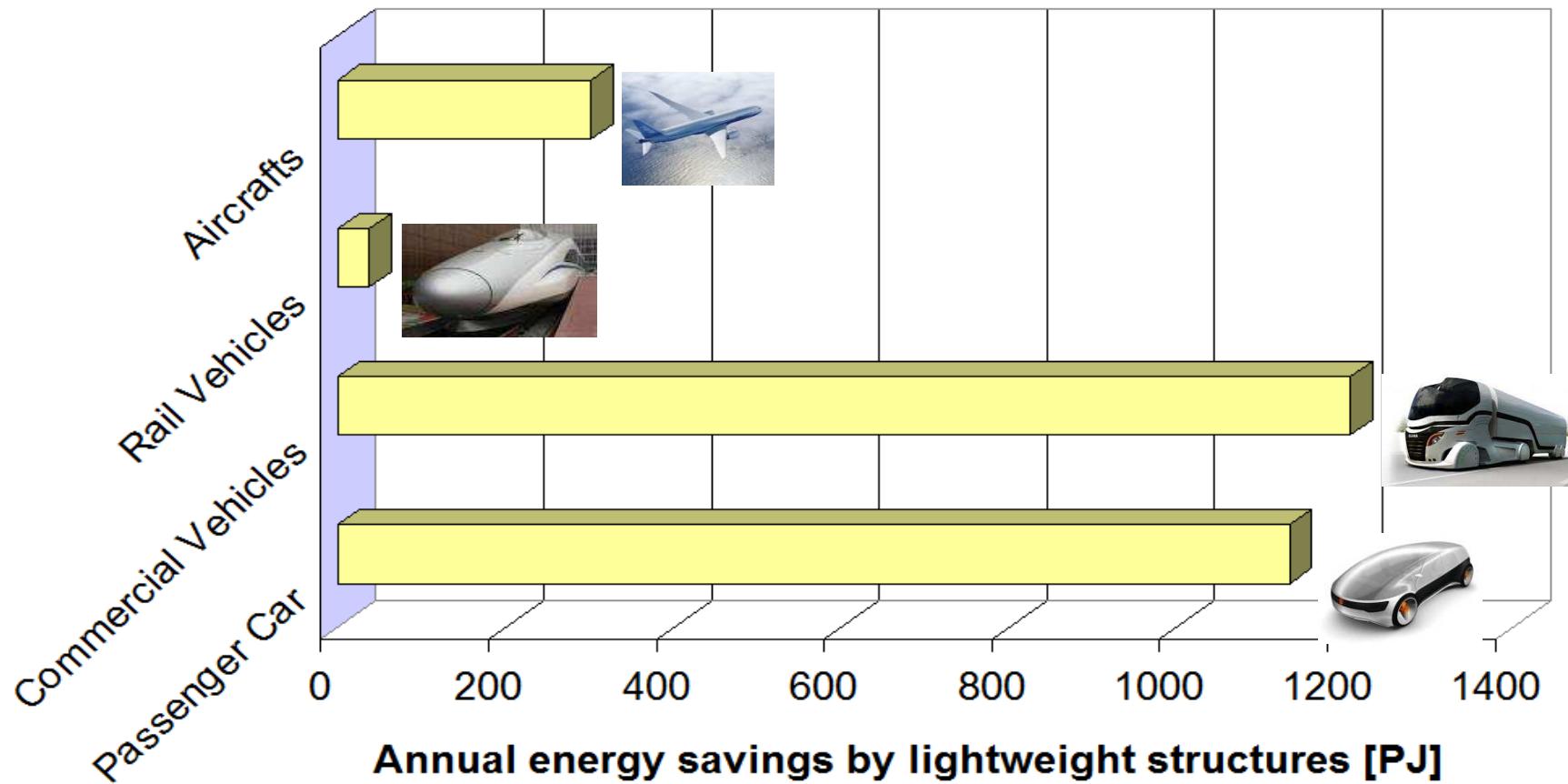
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Lightweighting can provide the solution!



Data from: Helms, LCA case studies – 2006

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Barcelona has more than 600.000 vehicles, producing about half of all emissions.

A reduction of vehicles' weight by 100 kg could lead to a total annual reduction of CO2 emissions in the city of Barcelona of some **30.000 tonnes of CO2 per year**.

The substitution of perhaps 100.000 conventional vehicles in Barcelona with EVs would eliminate some **90.000 tonnes CO2 emissions** annually, while save **€28 million annually** on environmental costs of the city.



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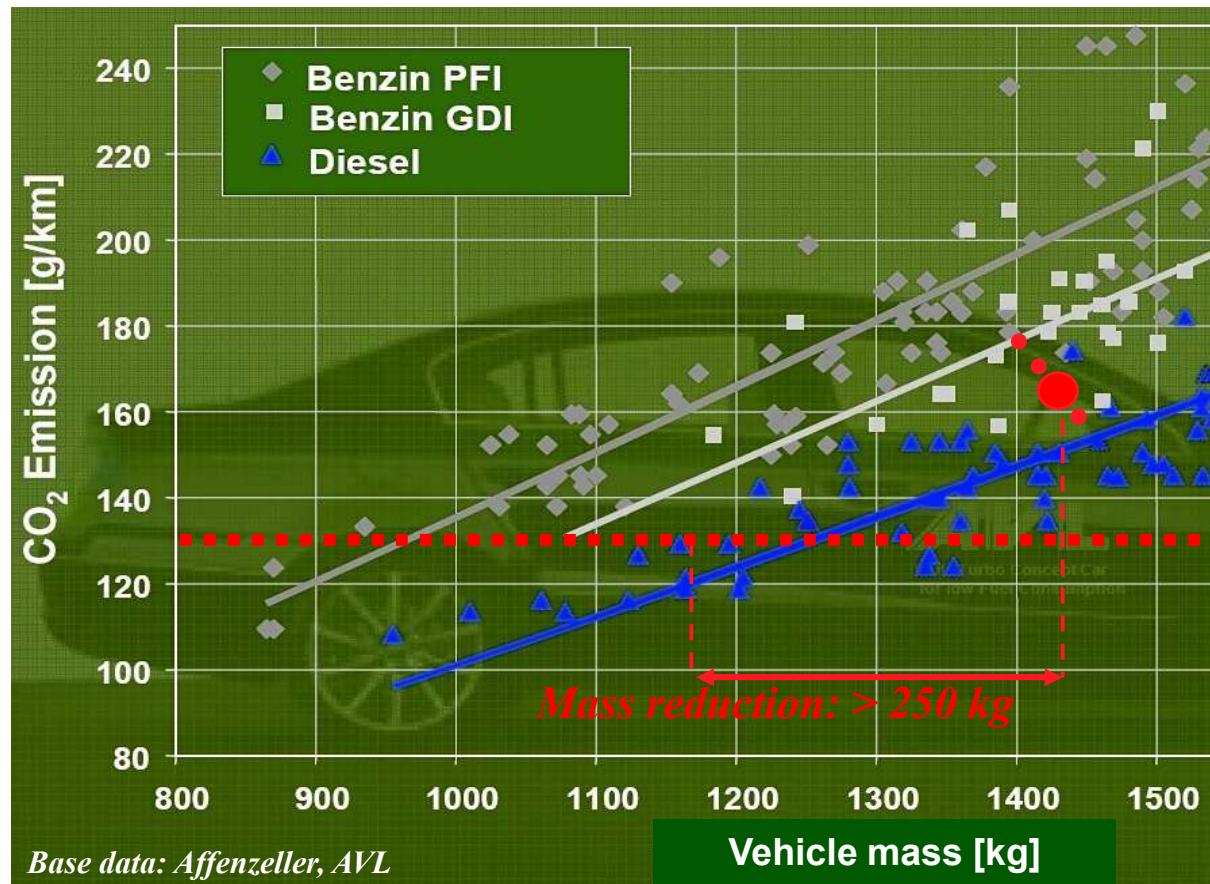


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Lightweighting helps reduce fuel consumption in ICE cars



✓ Lightweighting is necessary in order to meet the CO₂ targets of ICE-driven cars (-100 kg = 8.5 gCO₂/km)

...but with the same safety and comfort!

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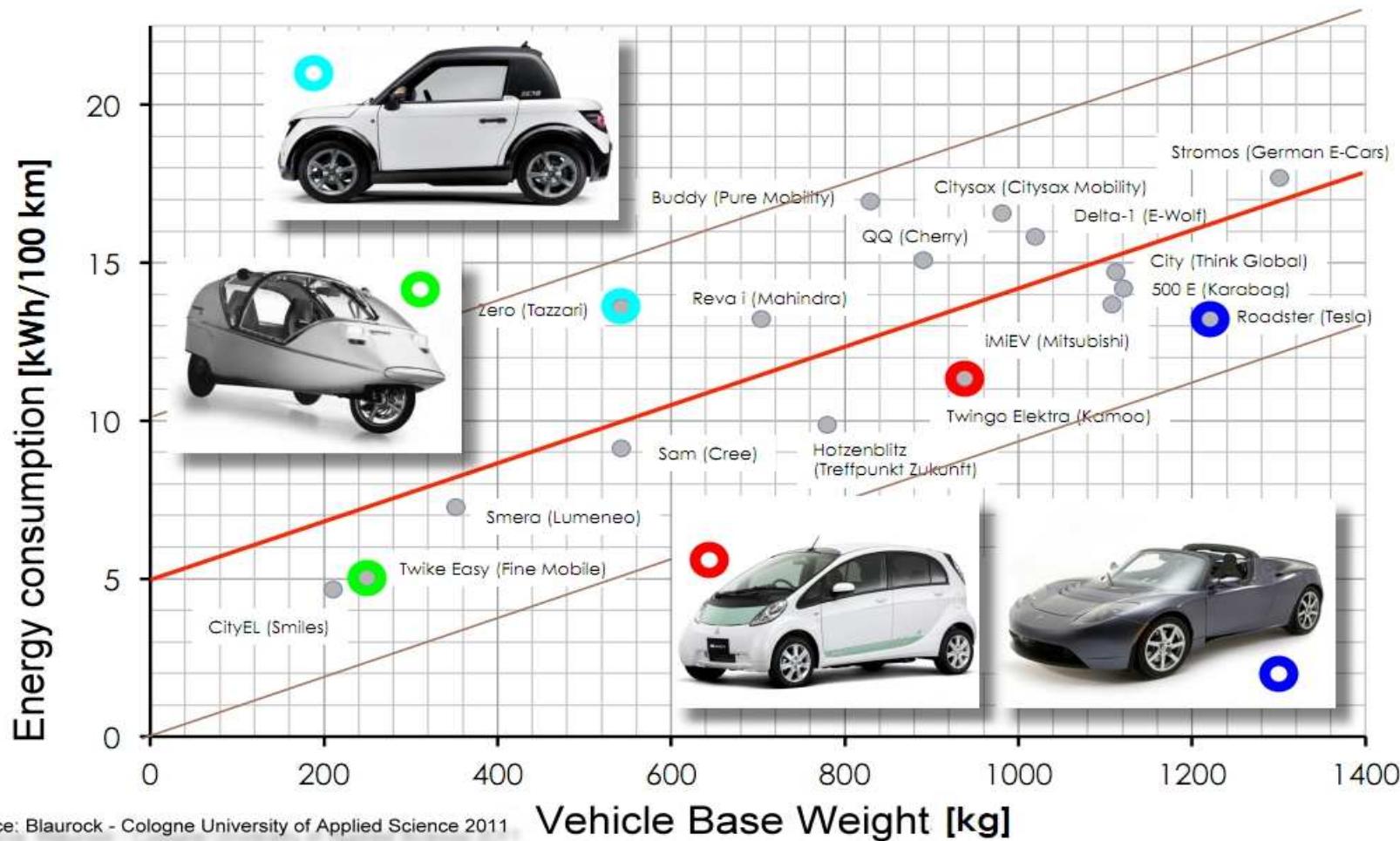
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Lightweighting helps improve the driving range



Source: Blaurock - Cologne University of Applied Science 2011

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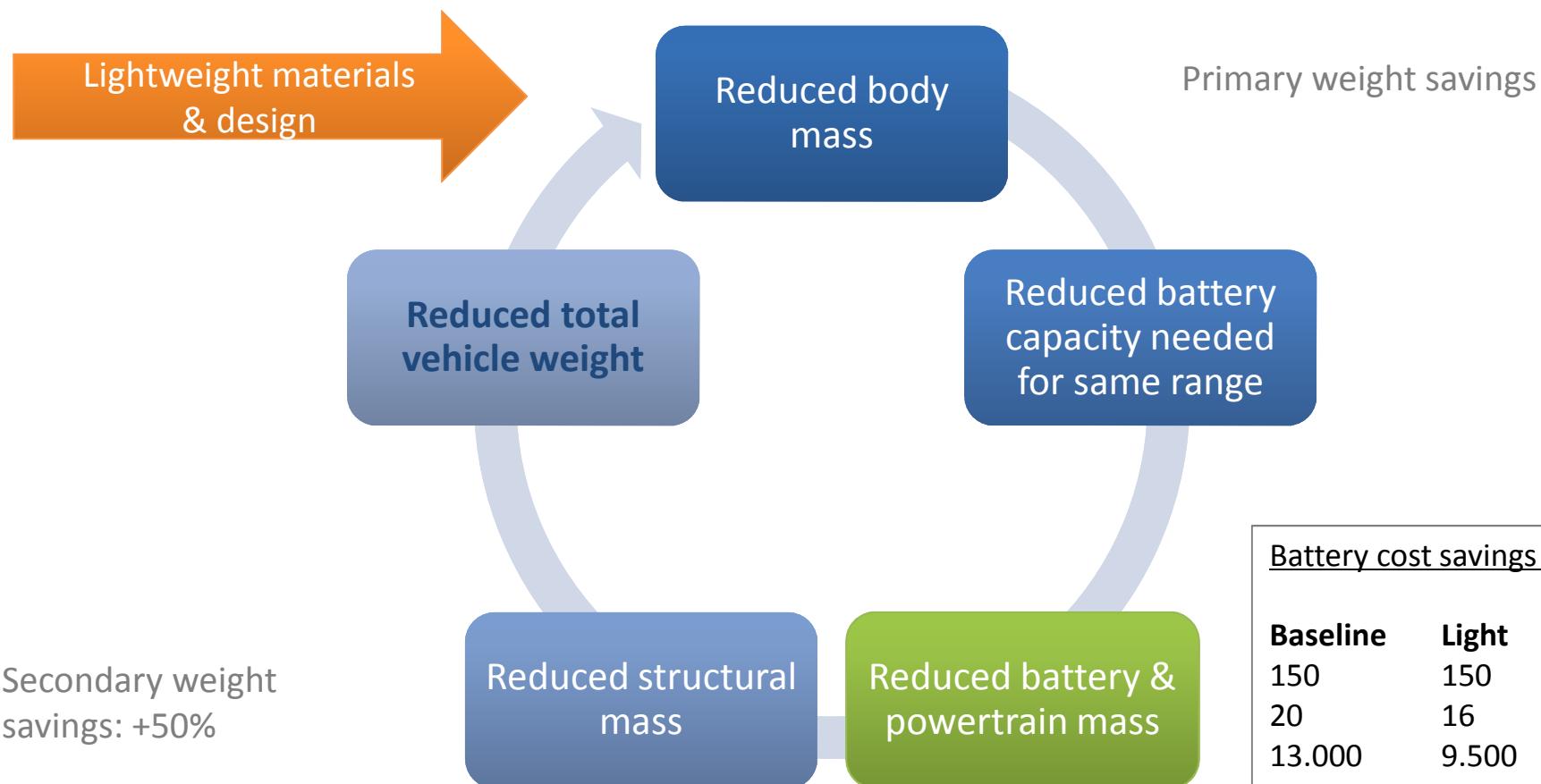


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...or it can help reduce the size
=> cost of the battery



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However, vehicle weight has been historically rising

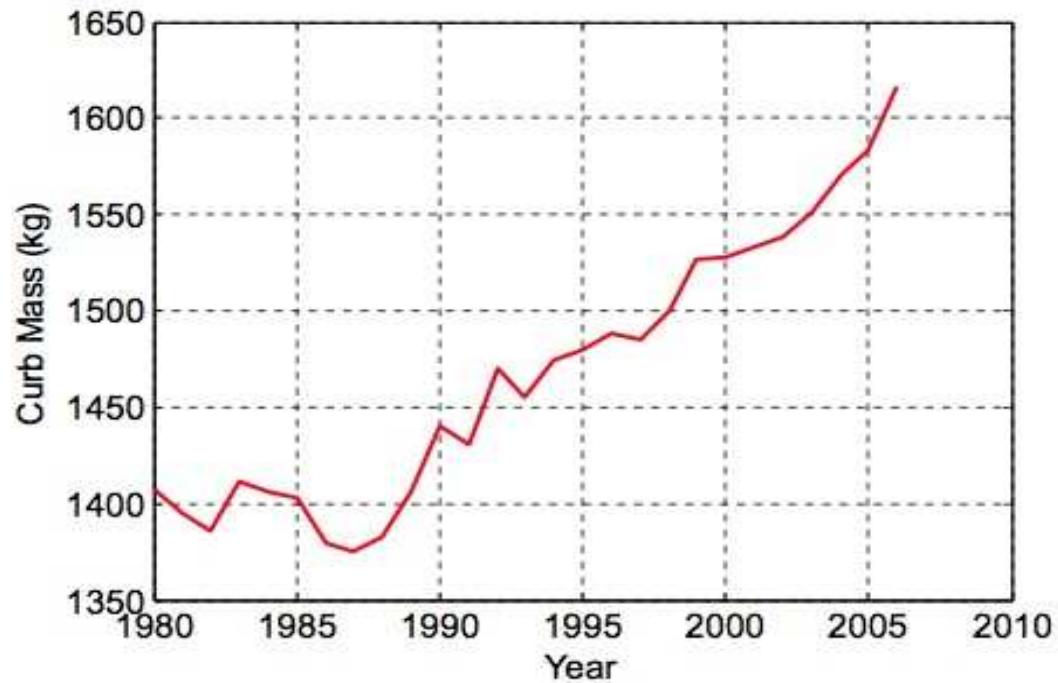


Figure 1-1: Increasing trend in automobile curb mass since 1980.

Source: MIT, 21006

Main causes are the **rising customer demands** for additional:

- performance
- comfort
- safety
- electronics



Example: <http://www.bmw.com>

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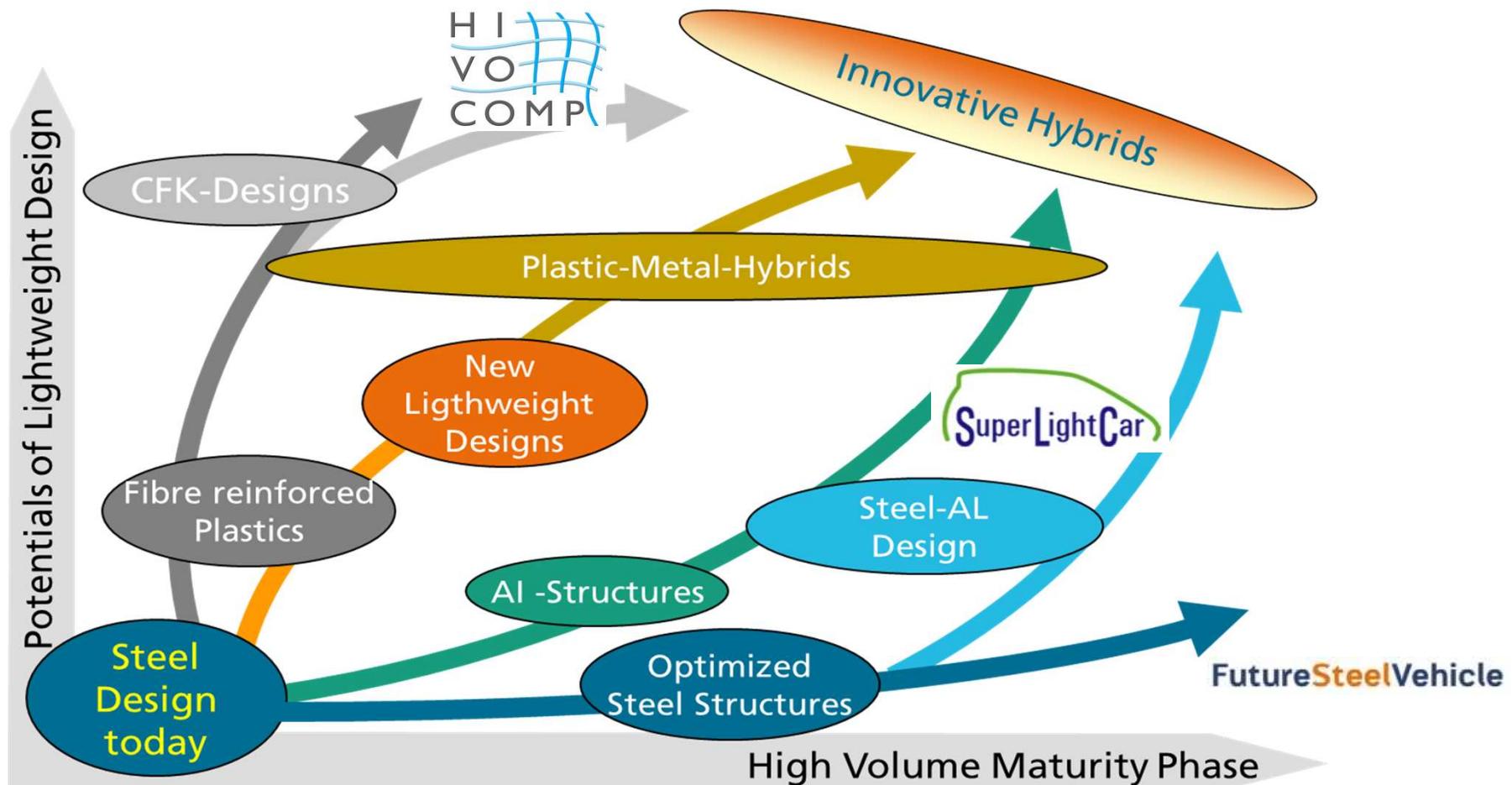
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Mix of advanced materials needed to lower vehicle weight



Source: M.Goede, VW Group Research, SLC

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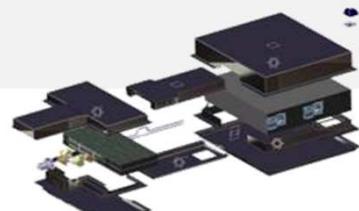


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SmartBatt

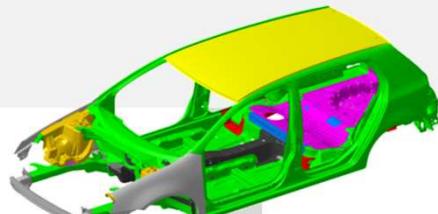
- Fully integrated battery housing
- Lightweight battery concept
- New materials for battery systems



Source: Fraunhofer LBF, „SmartBatt“ project

SuperLIGHT-Car

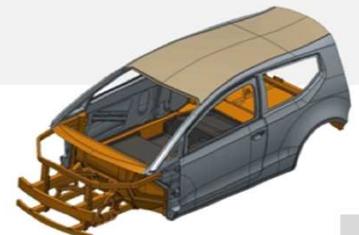
- Economic demonstration of multimaterial vehicle structures for high-volume produced combustion cars



Source: „SuperLIGHT-Car“ project, 2009

ELVA

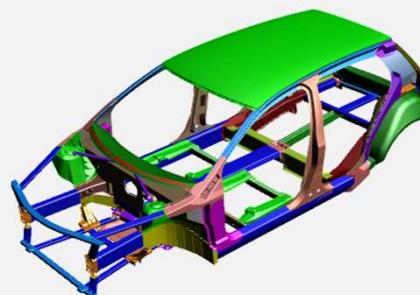
- Concept of light BiW for EV's
- Space frame design
- Modularity in battery and BiW design



Source: „ELVA“ project, 2013

ALIVE

- High volume
- Low weight
- Low costs



Source: M. Kurz, Volkswagen Group Research, K-EFFG/L, 2013

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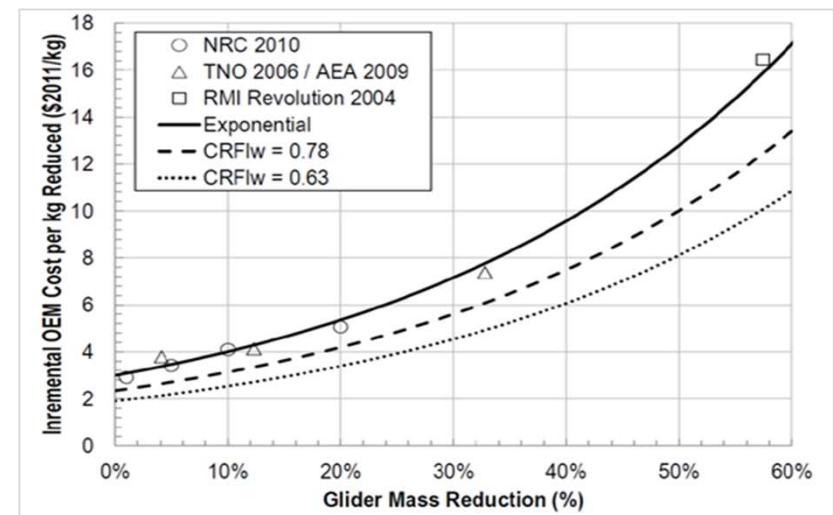
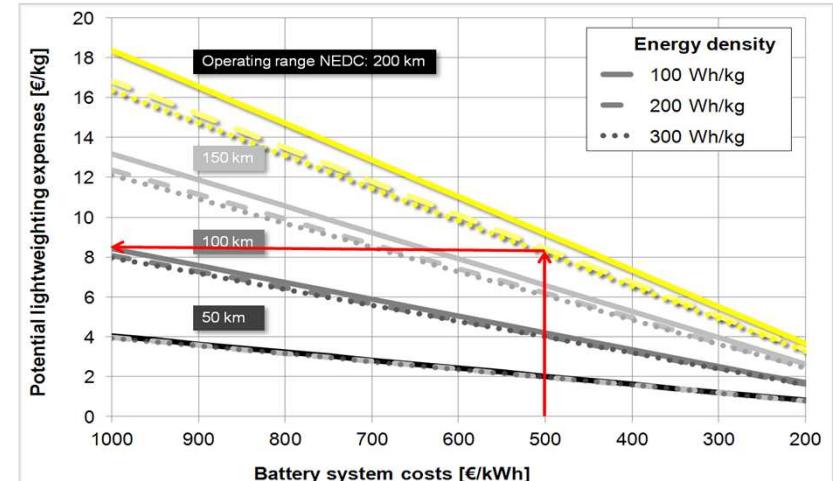


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- **Affordable weight reduction for electric vehicles**
- For an EV with 200 km range (and with battery capacity of 200 - 300 Wh/kg) the allowable costs of weight saving would be around **€8/kg**
- More than **40% of weight reduction** seems to be obtainable for that price.
- Avoiding exponential cost increase for further weight reduction



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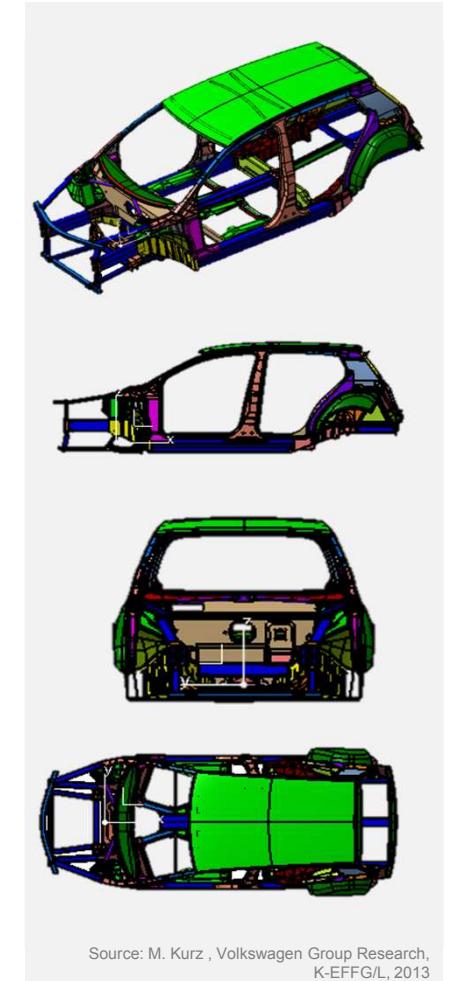


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1. Significant **reduction in weight**
 - **BiW** with integrated battery housing: approx. **45 %** targeting 200 kg
 - **Chassis**: approx. **25 %**
 - **Hang-on parts**: at least **25 %**
 - **Interior** components: in the range of **30 %**
2. Cost-efficient application of a variety of **advanced materials**, mainly HS steel, aluminium and magnesium alloys
3. Development of **design and simulation** capabilities including **LCA**
4. Full scale **demonstrator** vehicle for showcasing and testing
5. Advancements in **multi-material joining** technologies for mass production



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- ALIVE will run from October 2012 **until September 2016**.
- **A full-scale demonstrator vehicle** will be fabricated and showcased
 - covering BiW, hang-on parts, chassis and heavy interiors, including battery pack integration,
 - innovative safety mechanism and
 - several new materials and manufacturing technologies

Follow updates and results at:
<http://www.project-alive.eu>



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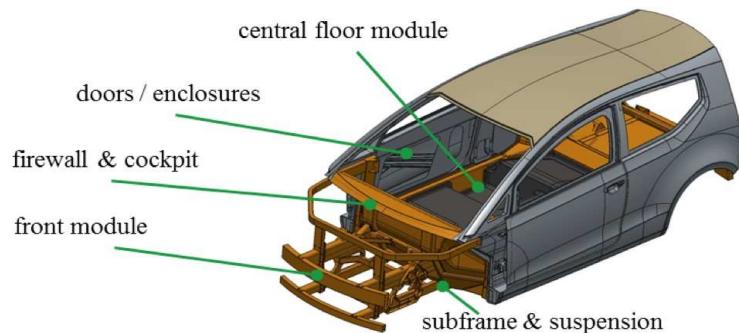
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- Development of highly innovative **lightweight / low embedded CO₂ materials**, mainly composite plastics and hybrids
- Design, manufacturing, simulation and joining capabilities, incl. LCA / LCC
- affordable application in **medium-volume** automotive production (50.000 units/year).
- Aims at a **further 20% weight reduction** over ALIVE targets.



- Demonstration of the proposed solutions through the realization of **5 full scale demonstrator modules**.

<http://www.project-enlight.eu>

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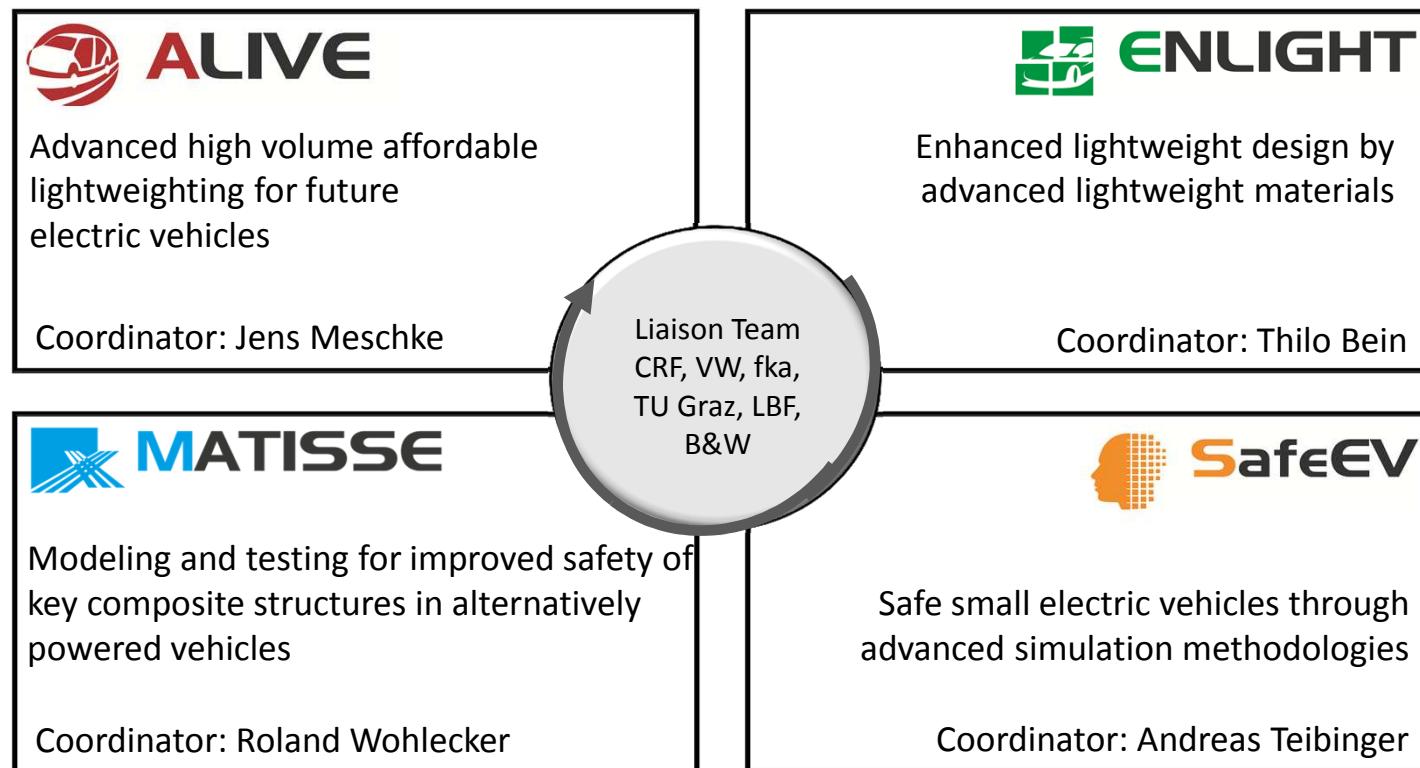
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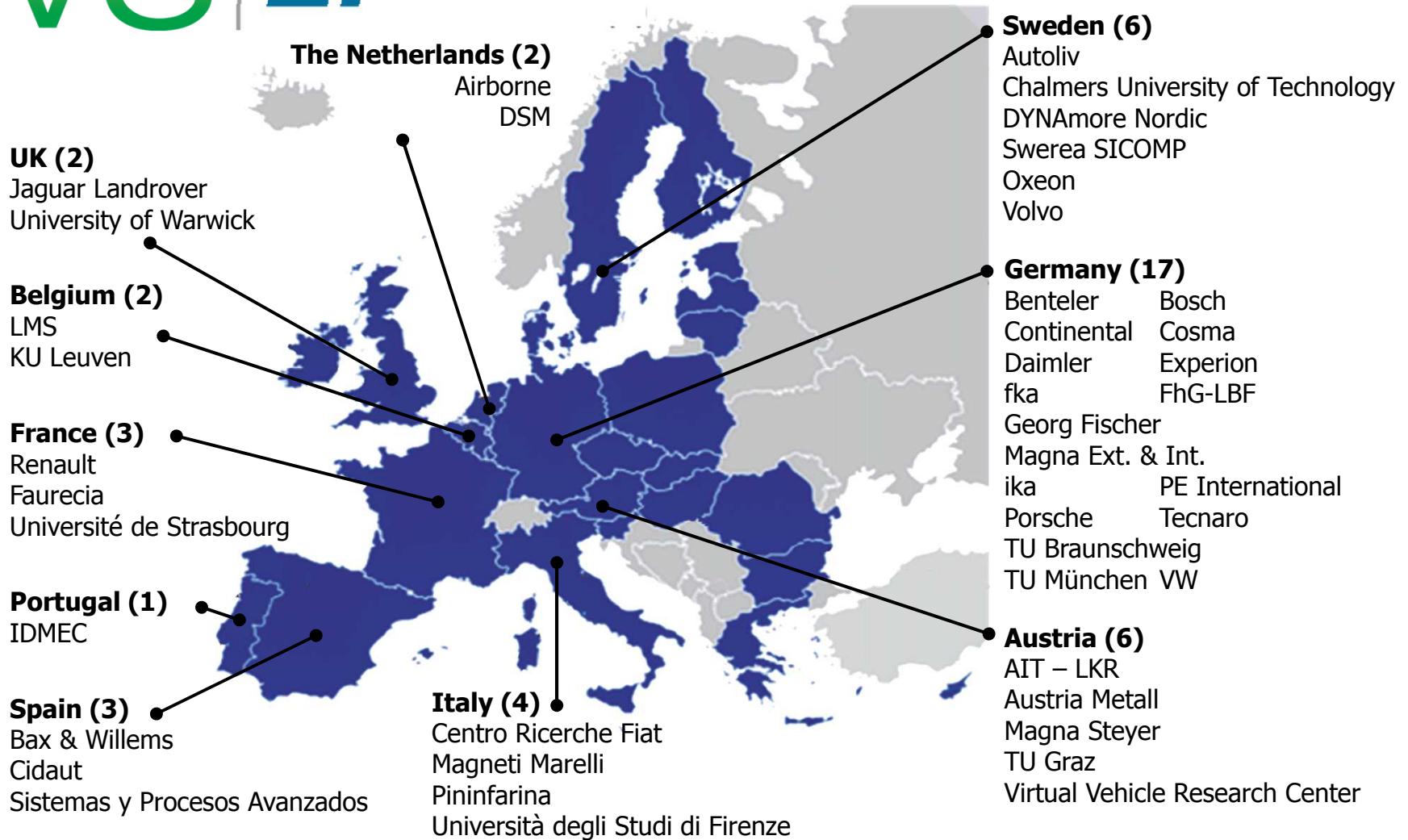


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