

# EV Everywhere Grand Challenge

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## Electric Motors and Critical Materials Breakout

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## 2022 EV Everywhere Targets

		Current Status*	PHEV 40**	AEV 100**	AEV 300+
System Cost	\$/kW	20 (\$1100)	5 (\$600)	14 (\$1680)	4 (\$600)
Motor Specific Power	kW/kg	1.3	1.9	1.5	2
PE Specific Power	kW/kg	10.5	16	12	16.7
System Peak Efficiency	%	90	97	91	98

\* 55kW system

\*\* 120kW system

+ 150 kW system

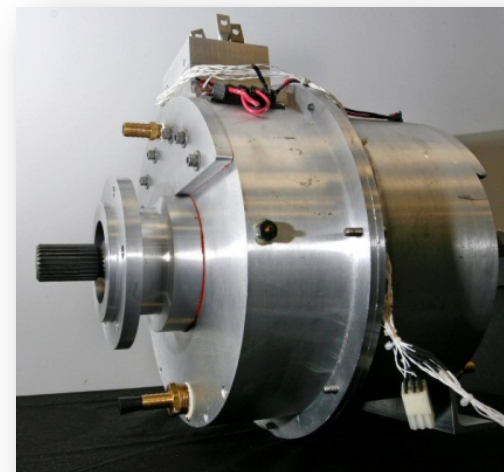
***Extremely Aggressive Targets  
Especially Challenging for the Electric Motor***

- **Cost is the biggest challenge**  
*Impossible (?) to meet targets with RE machine*
- **Efficiency improvements**
- **Volume and mass reductions**  
*Alternatives to higher speed operation?*

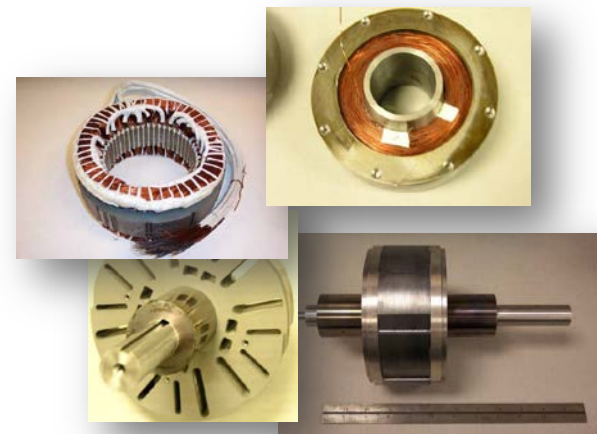
**Overall Target Achievement will require significant engineering leaps—'out of the box' thinking**

- **New designs**
- **Advanced materials**
- **Thermal Management**
- **Packaging**

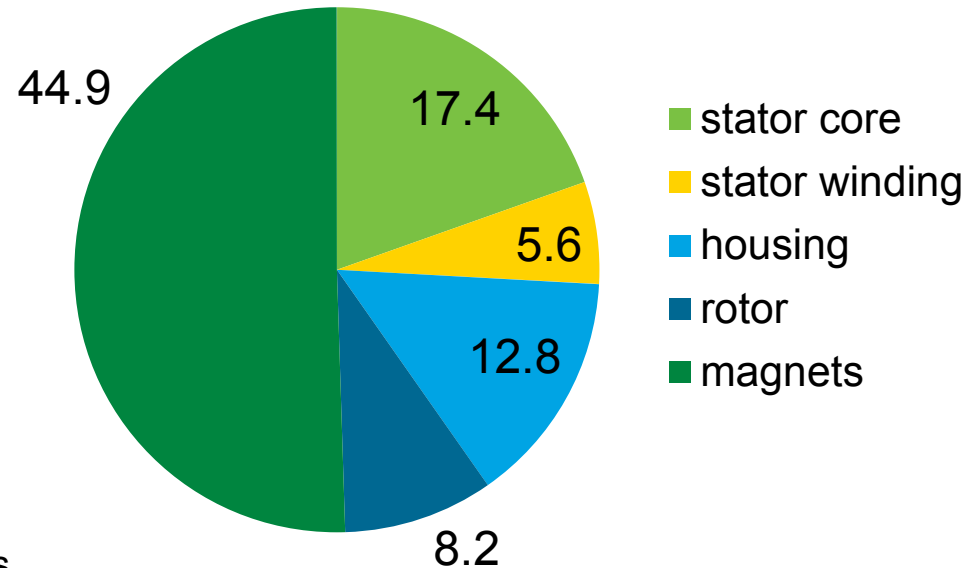
**All the while maintaining cognizance of system impacts**



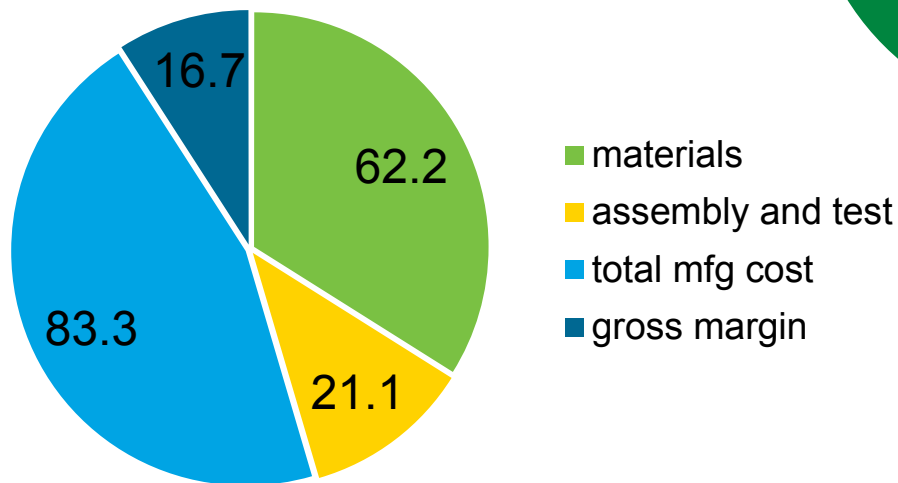
16,000 rpm Brushless Field Excitation (BFE) IPM Motor



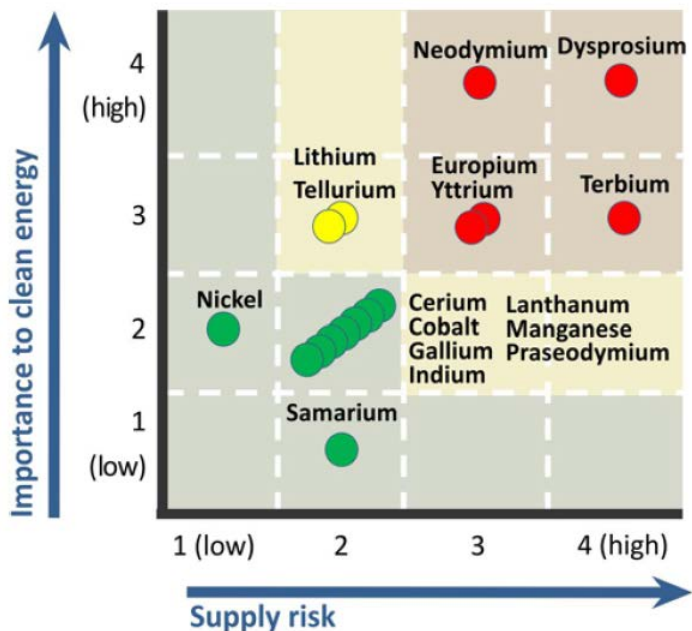
## Material Cost %



## OEM cost %



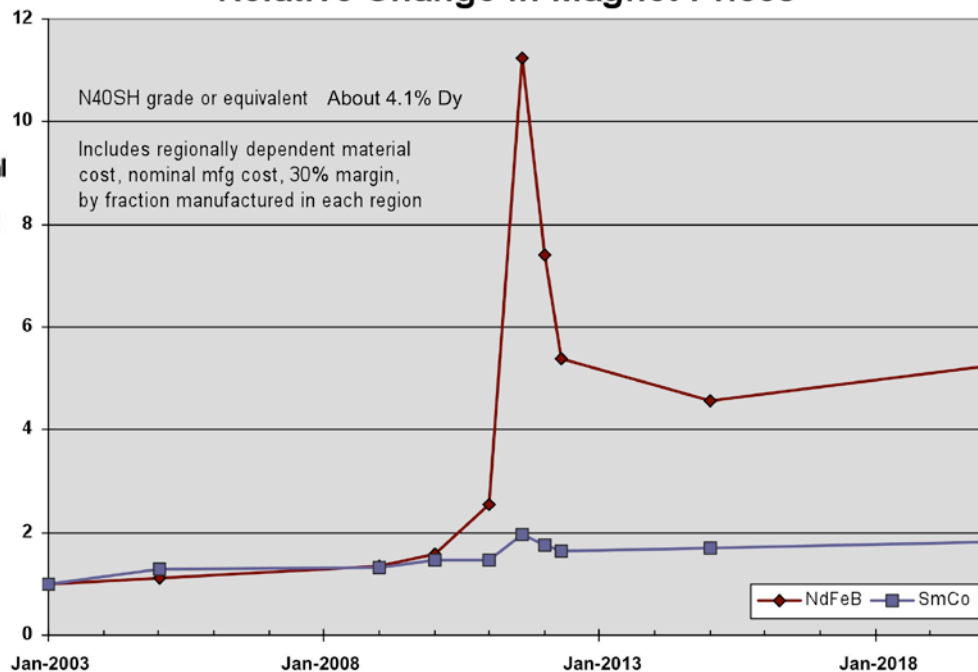
# Rare Earths in Permanent Magnets for Drive Motors are “Critical Materials”



- Critical
- Near-Critical
- Not Critical

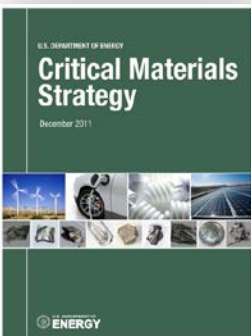
Taken from Figure 1 of the Energy Innovation Hub—Critical Materials Funding Opportunity Announcement

## Relative Change in Magnet Prices



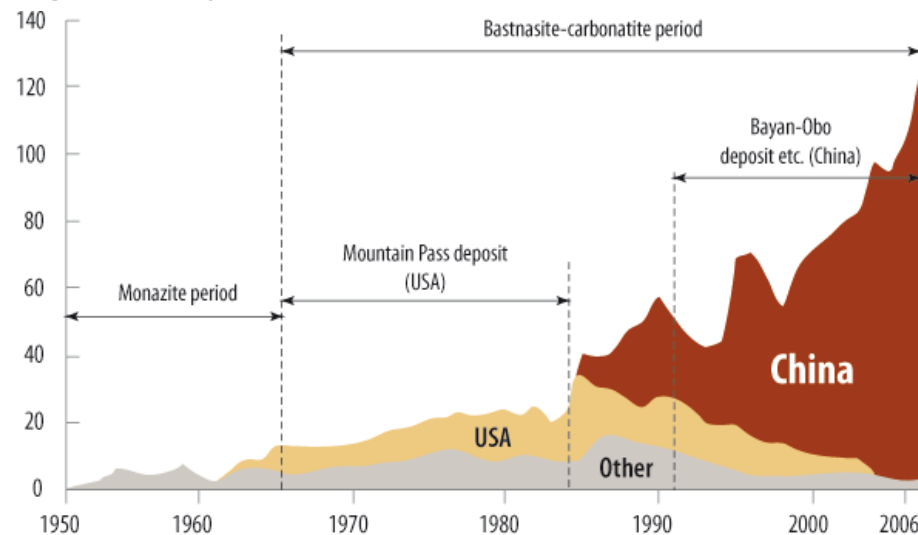
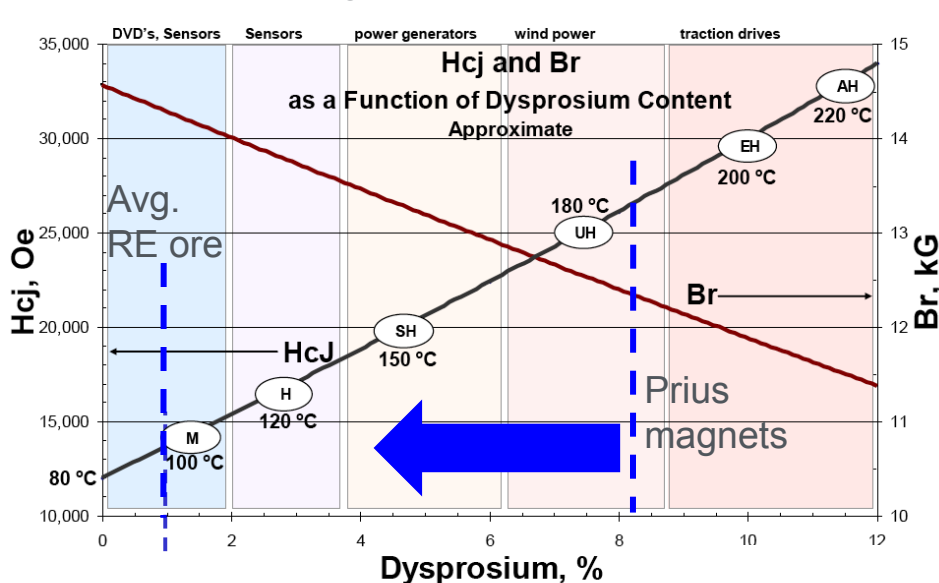
Nd and Dy in high strength magnets are essential for compact, high torque drive motors that tolerate high vehicle operating temperatures. Critical supply risk and rising price trend motivate research into finding alternative permanent magnets.

## Critical Materials Status



# Permanent Magnet Materials Challenges and Issues

- ◆ To meet goals for reduced cost and broad availability of suitable permanent magnets (PM) for advanced electric drive motors, new magnet alloys and processing concepts are needed to replace  $(\text{Nd,Dy})_2(\text{Fe,Co})_{14}\text{B}$  magnets.
- ◆ The fully developed PM material must:
  - ✓ achieve superiority for elevated temperature (150-200°C) operation to minimize motor cooling needs.
  - ✓ remain competitive at room temperature with current high magnetic energy density (MGOe) materials to conserve weight, space, and valuable materials.
  - ✓ minimize or eliminate use of scarce RE, e.g., Dy, due to an impending world wide RE shortage or be developed as RE-free magnet alloys



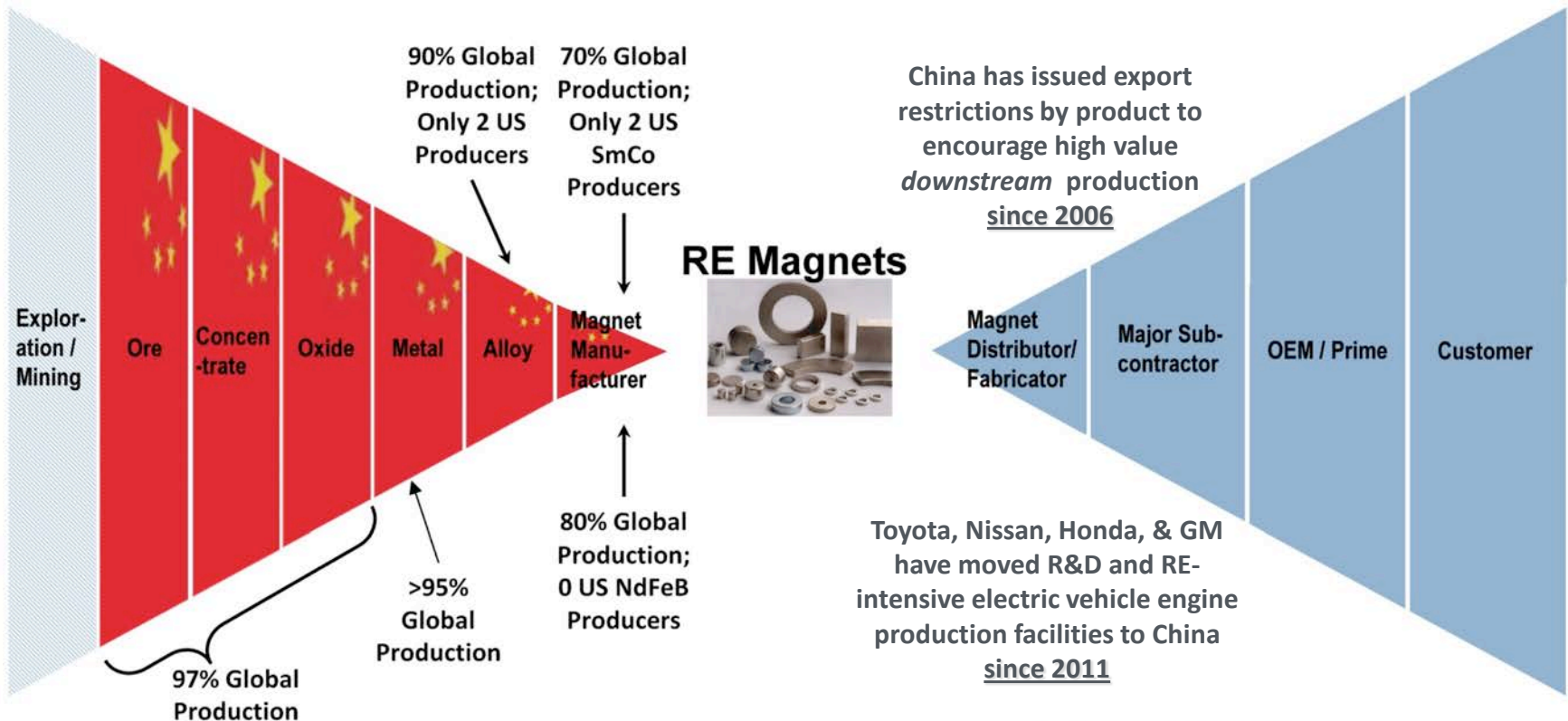
# Strategic Impact on Manufacturing



**China cut export quotas for the first half of 2011 by 35%, following a 72% reduction in the second half of 2010**

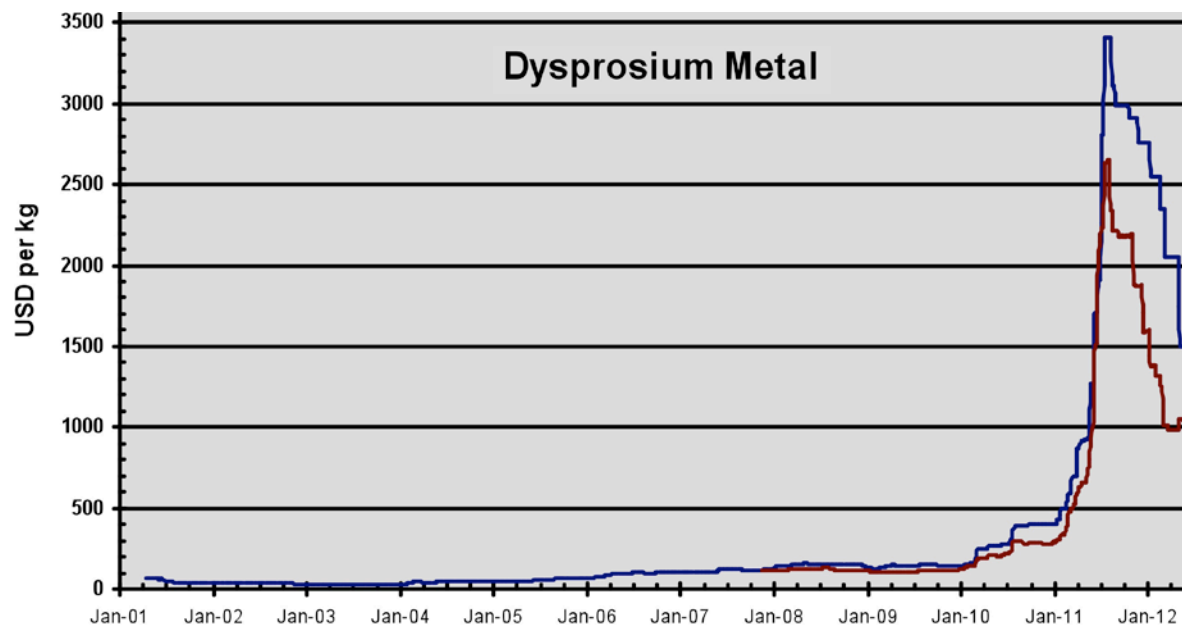
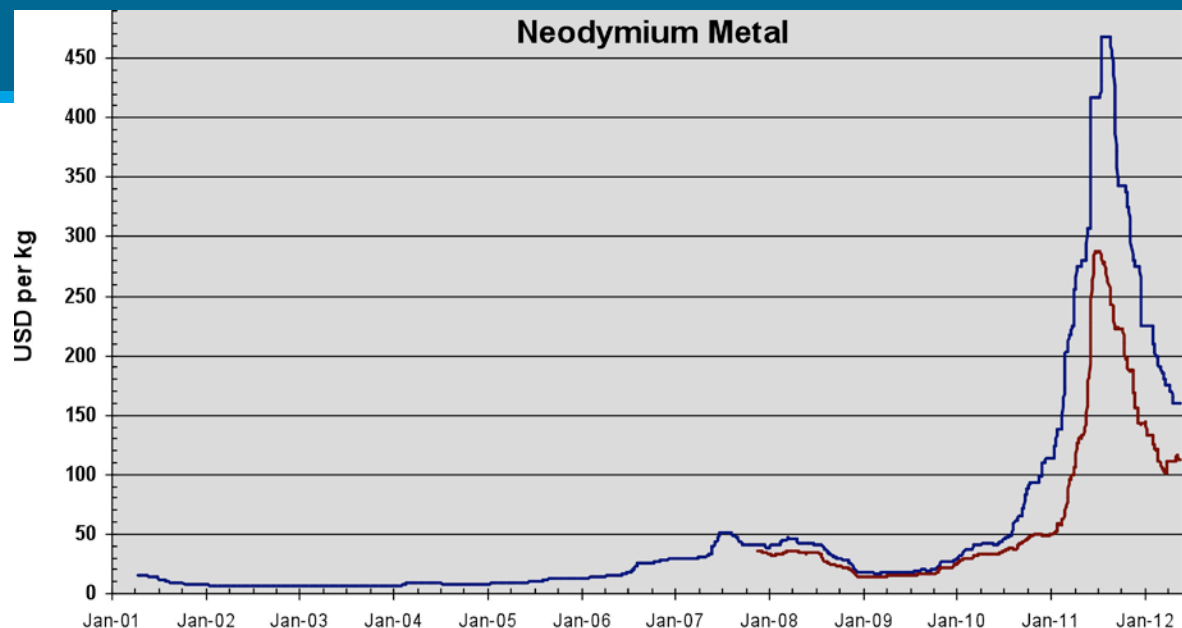
## RE Magnet Supply Chain

## Systems Integration



Adapted from a presentation by J.A. Green and Co., Dec 8, 2011, <http://jagreenandco.com/>  
Steve Constantinides (Arnold Magnetics)—BREM Workshop, May 2012

# RE Metal Pricing: May 18, 2012



— FOB China Prices — China Domestic Prices

## Magnet Material Costs: 19-April-2012

[in US Dollars per kg of magnet,  
1 kg block magnet, FOB China]

	<b>N35EH</b>	<b>N40UH</b>	<b>N45SH</b>
Nd	38.2	41.4	45.1
Dy	178.4	131.2	84.1
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	<b>216.5</b>	<b>172.6</b>	<b>129.1</b>

[Domestic China]

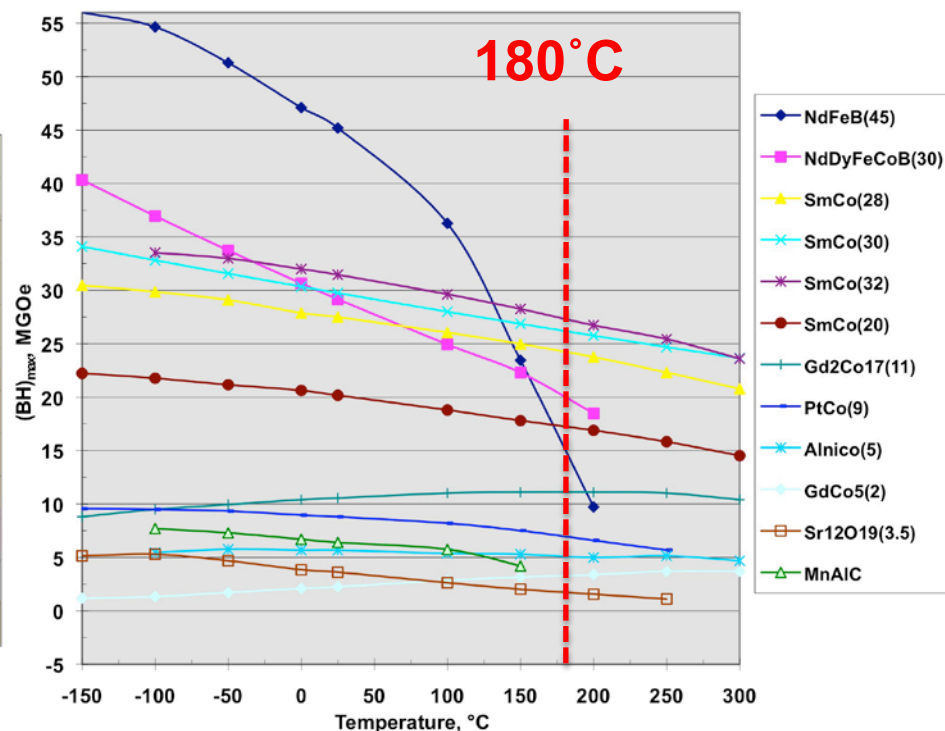
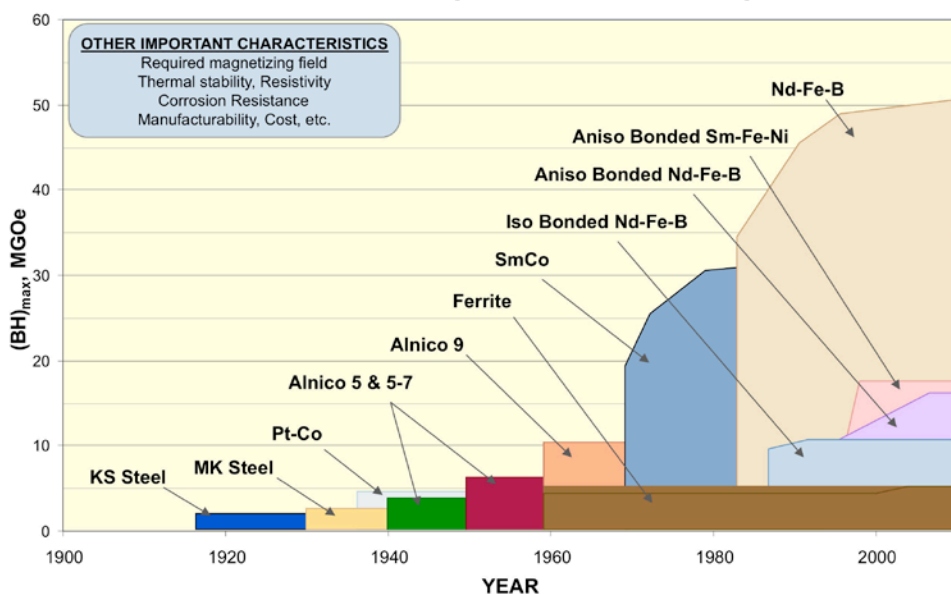
	<b>N35EH</b>	<b>N40UH</b>	<b>N45SH</b>
Nd	25.7	28.4	30.9
Dy	85.5	62.9	40.3
	-	-	-
	<b>111.3</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>71.2</b>

- While neodymium has become more costly, it is the very expensive dysprosium that dominates (Nd,Dy)-(Fe,Co)-B magnet material costs.
- Numbers do not include yield loss, mfg cost or profit margins

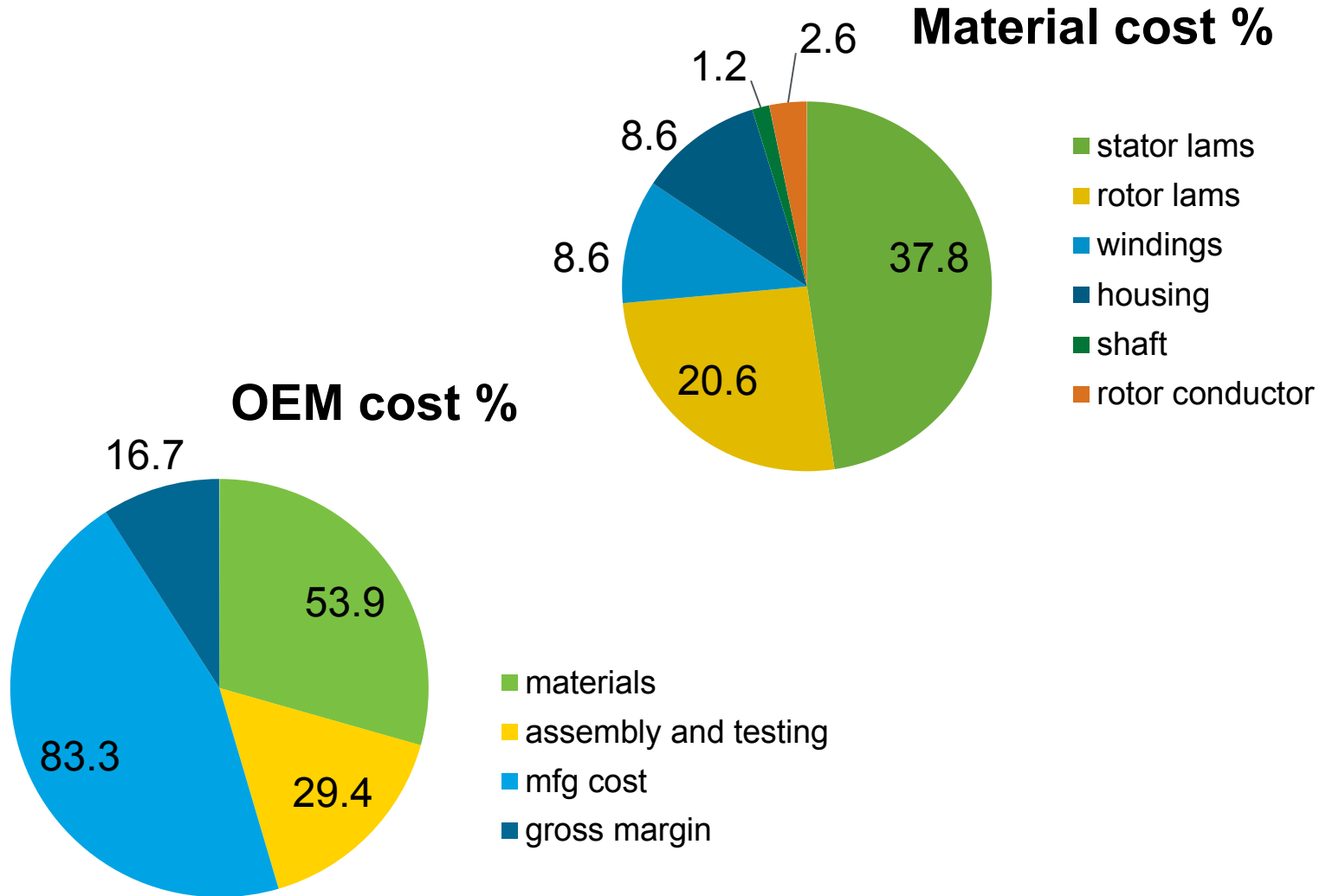


# Apparent Options for Improved Non-Rare Earth Permanent Magnets

- Improve on best current non-RE system: e.g., Alnico ( $T_C=860^\circ\text{C}$ )
  - Enhanced knowledge of coercivity mechanisms
  - Enhanced control of composition and microstructure
- Discover new (low cost) Fe-Co based hard magnetic phases
  - High Curie temperature, high magnetization, and magnetic anisotropy.
  - Extrinsic properties after processing of bulk magnets.



# Induction Motor



1. EV everywhere scope & technical targets
  - Current state of the art
  - Are performance and cost targets achievable?
  - Major pathways to achieving targets?
  - Major Barriers?
2. Identify needs/game-changing ideas
  - Highest impact critical technology breakthroughs needed?
  - “out of the box”, risky approaches? ***VERY MUCH NEEDED!***
  - Each participant should propose a single research idea or concept!
3. Action plans and preparation of slides for plenary session and report
  - System level considerations