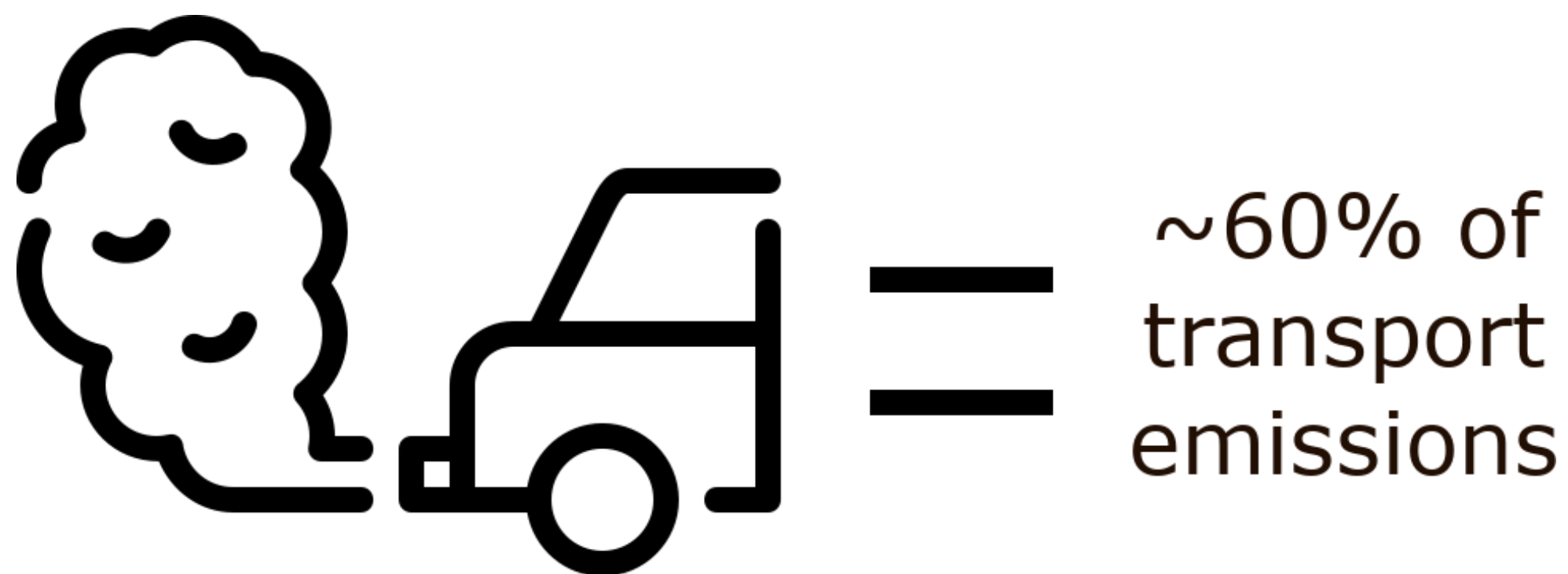


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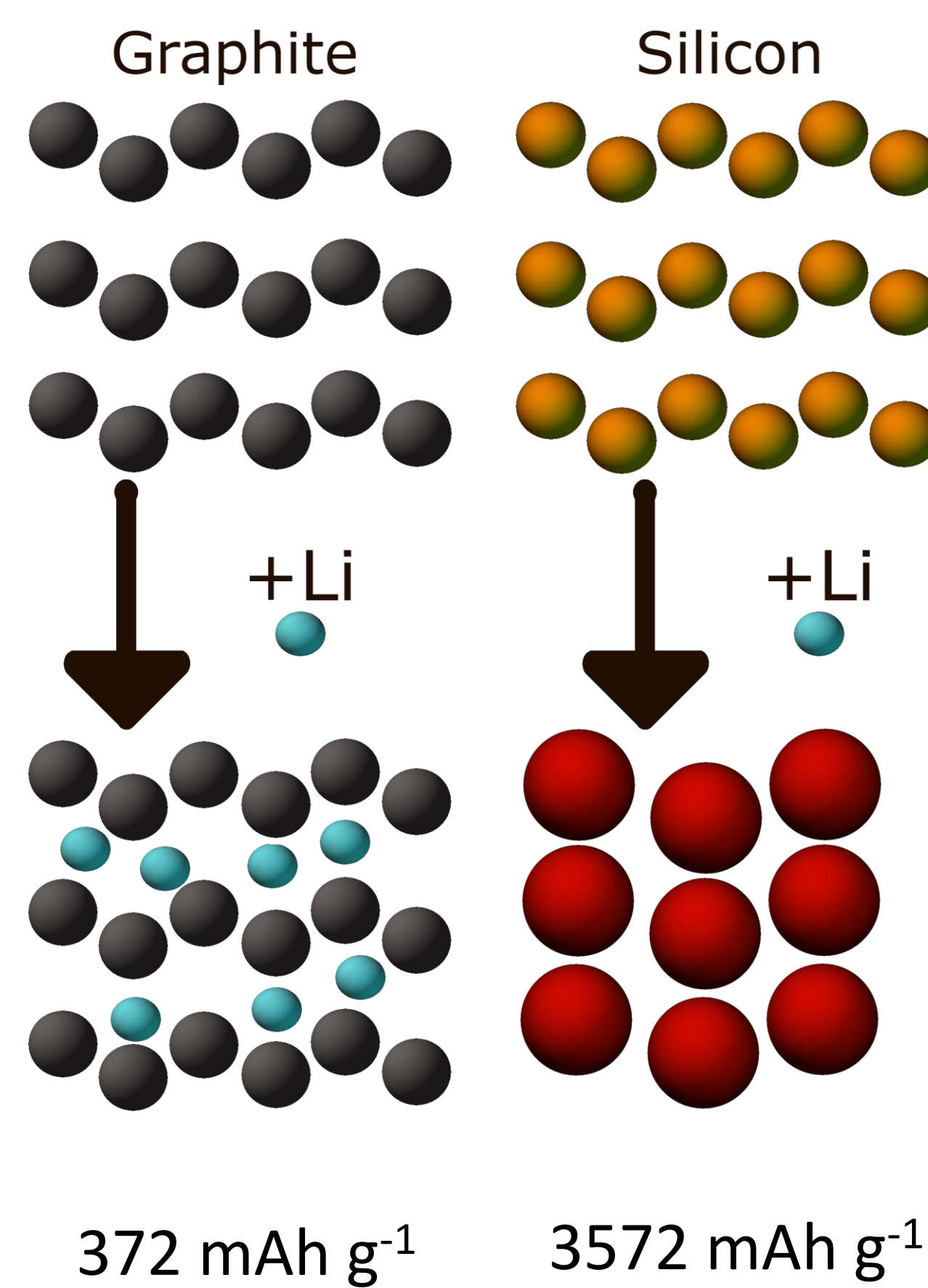
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Largest Greenhouse gas emitters¹

- Industrial energy consumption (24.2%)
- Domestic energy consumption (17.5%)
- Agriculture (18.4%)
- **Transport (16.2%)**
⇒ Electrification of passenger vehicles



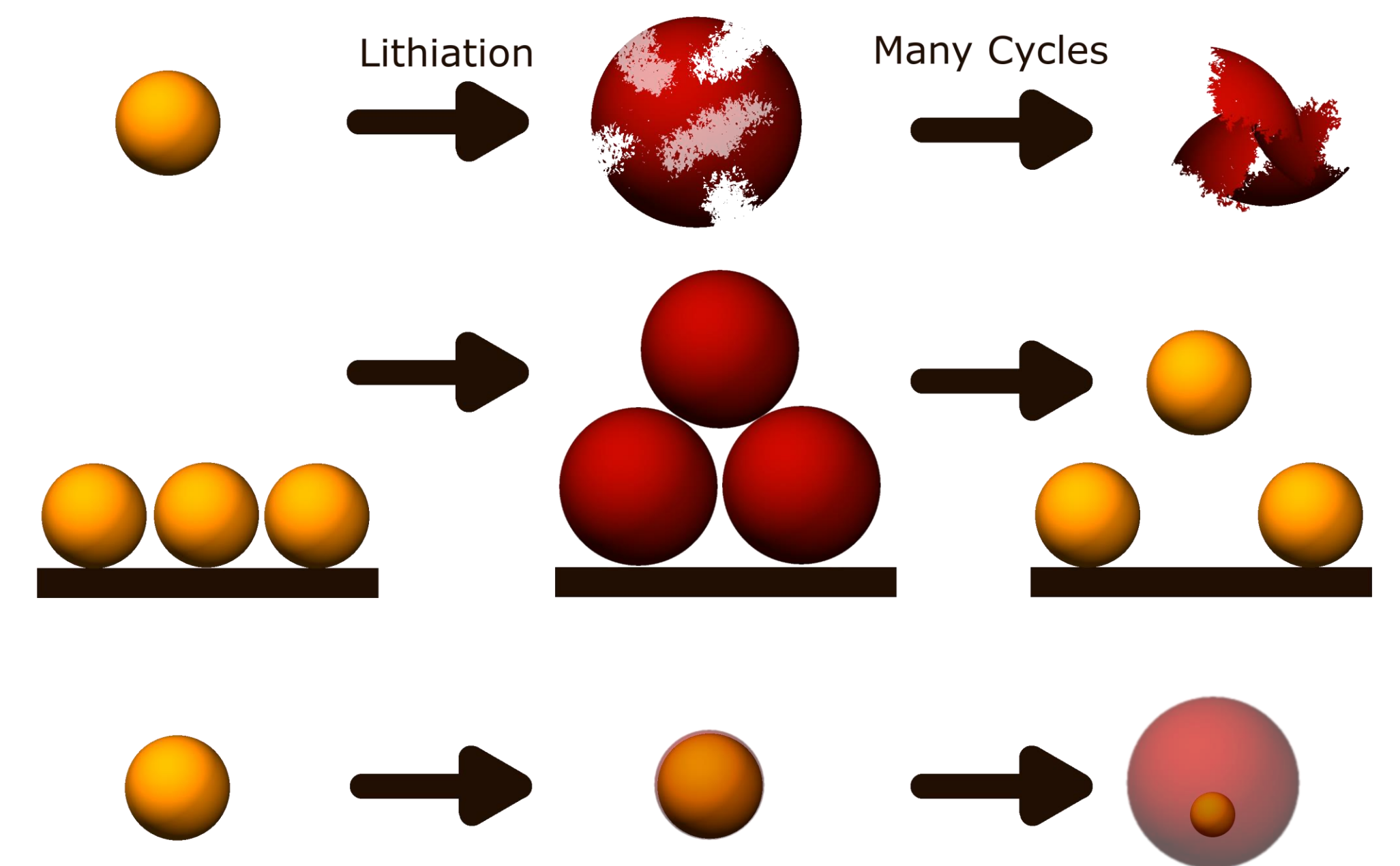
Introduction



Silicon's issues²

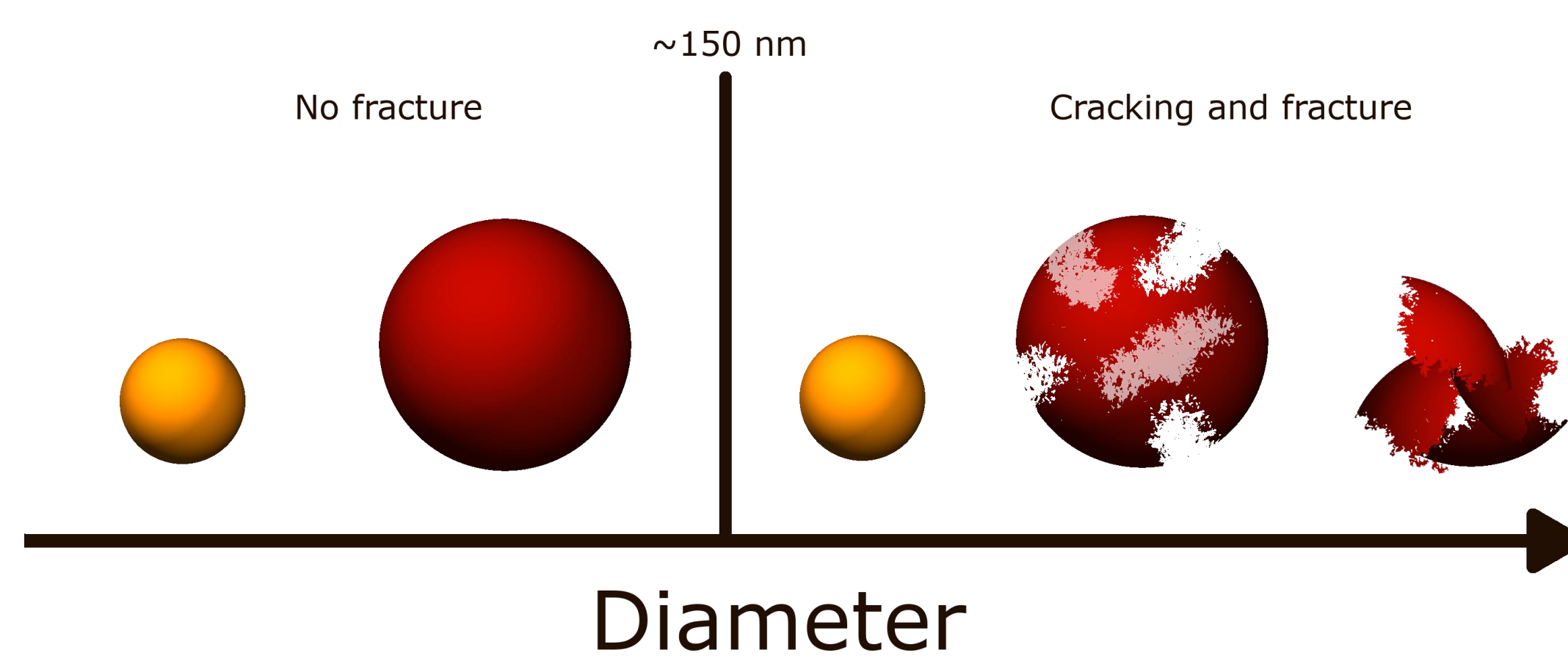
Large volume change:

- Pulverization
- Contact loss
- Excessive solid electrolyte interface (SEI)
⇒ Poor cycle life

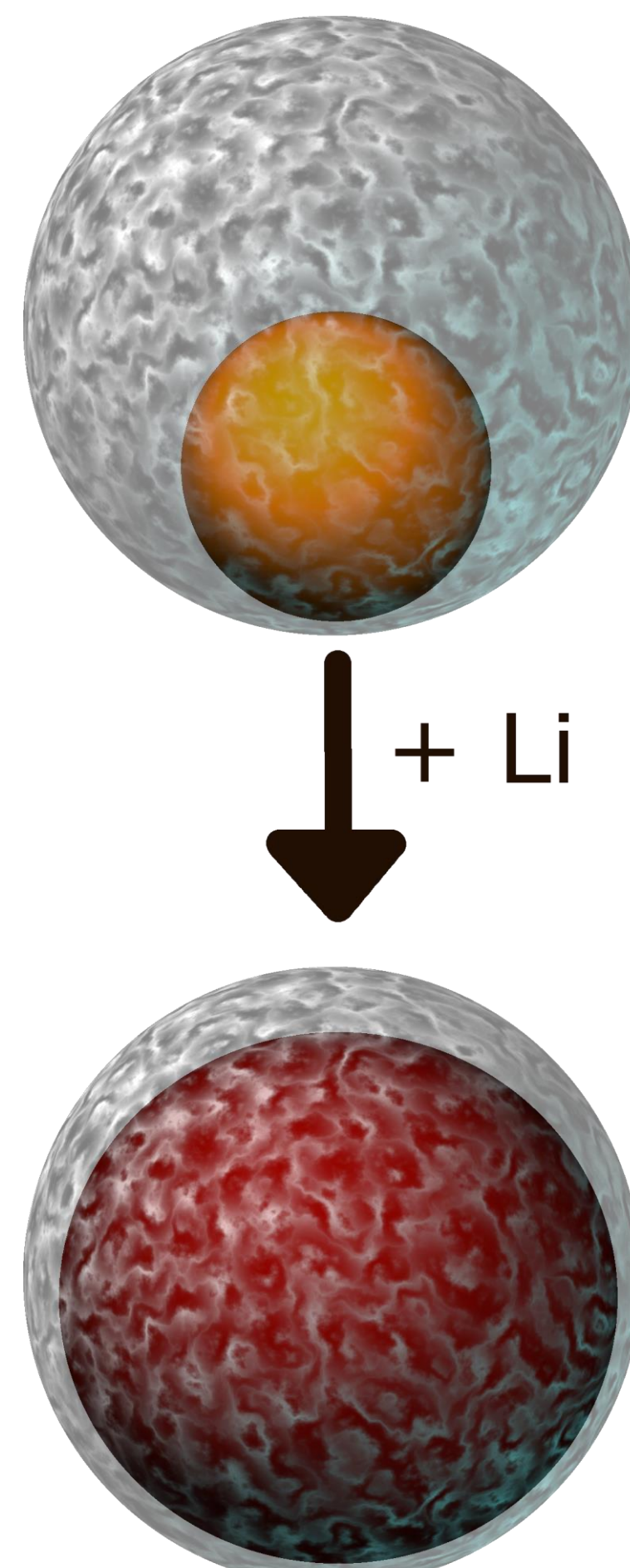


Preventing common failure mechanisms

- Pulverization? ⇒ Particle size reduction³
- Contact loss? ⇒ Compensate volume expansion
- Excessive SEI formation? ⇒ Artificial SEI

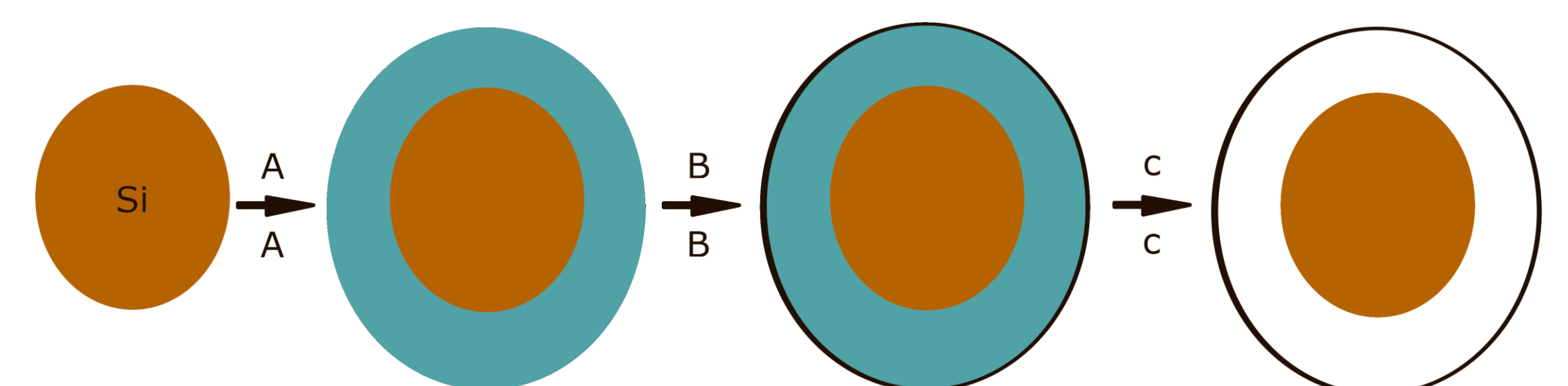


Solving silicon's shortcomings



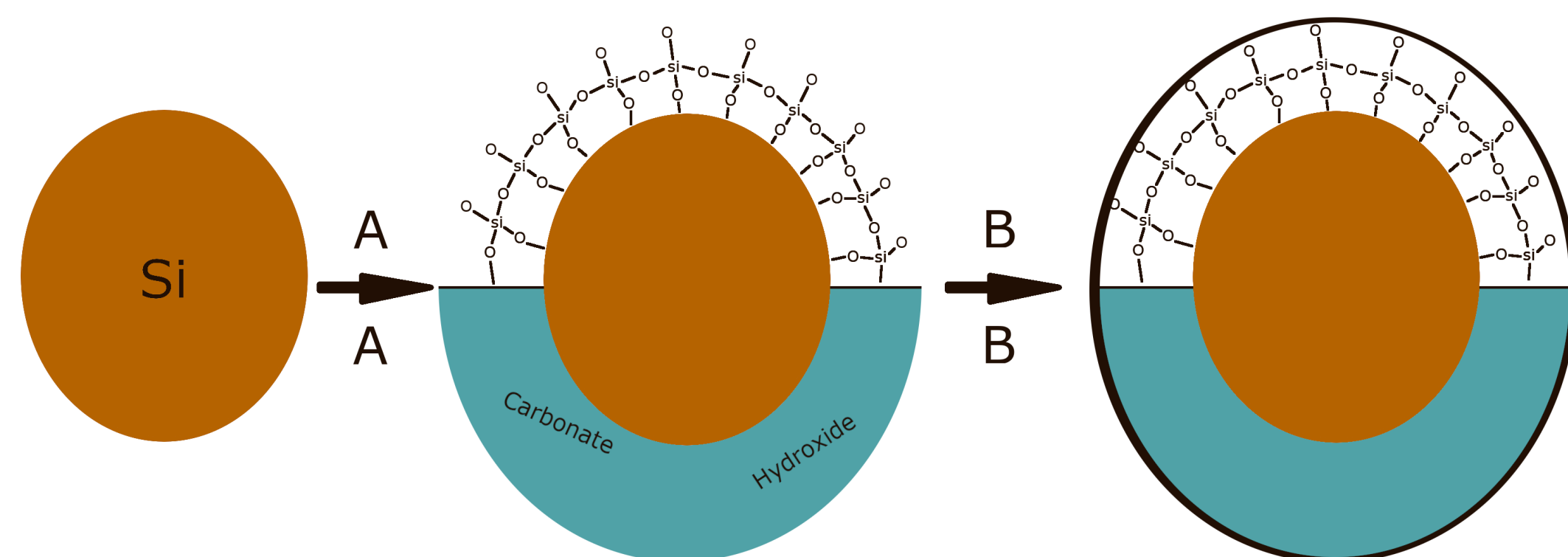
Synthesizing compensation volume and artificial SEI

- Deposition of a sacrificial layer.
- Deposition of an artificial SEI (or its precursor)
- Work up: removal of SEI and finalization of artificial SEI
⇒ Yolk-shell type particle



Conventional route

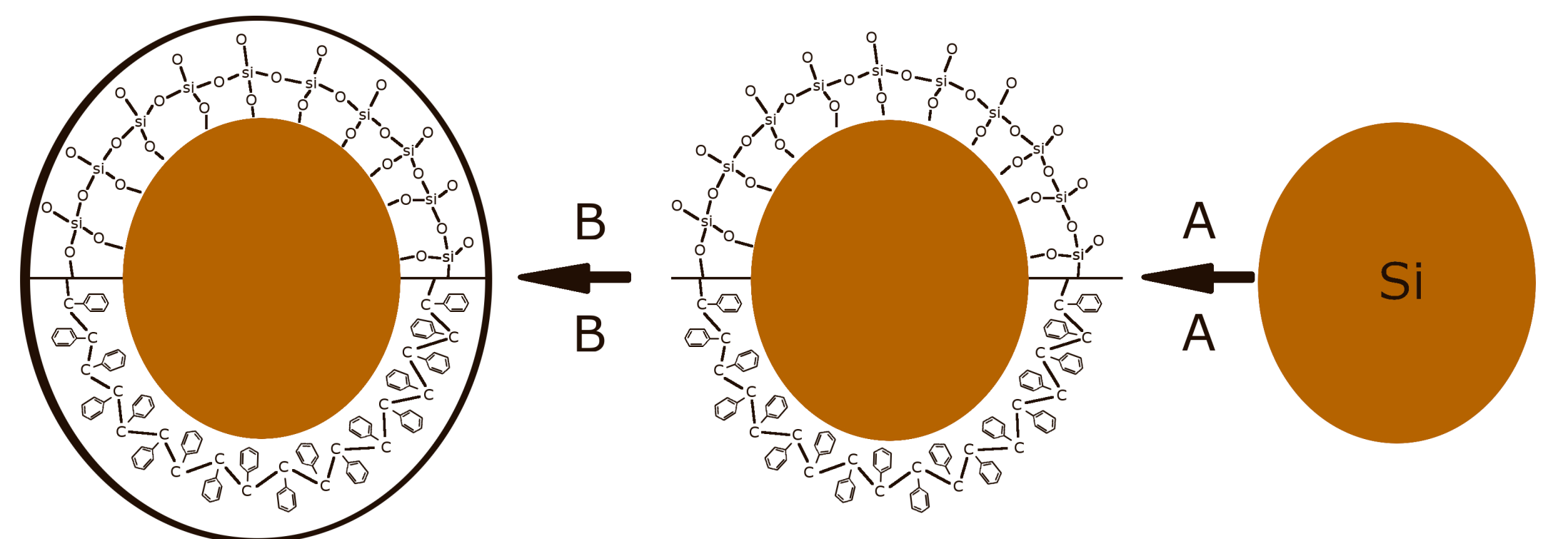
- Stöber generation of silica
- CVD carbon encapsulation
- HF leach



Synthesis methods

Conventional route

- Stöber silica generation
- CVD carbon encapsulation
- HF leach



Solvothermal route

- Precipitation of Carbonates or Hydroxides
- Solvothermal carbonization of monosaccharides
- Dilute acid leach

Polymeric route

- Polymerization of low coke yield polymer
- Polymerization of high coke yield polymer
- Pyrolysis

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