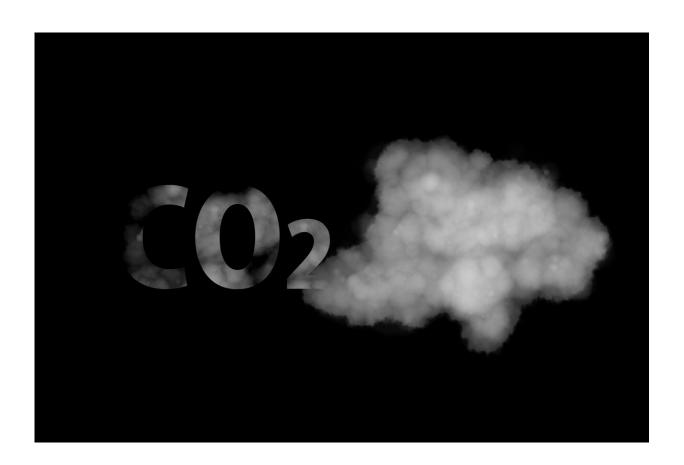


## Conceptualizing and studying infrastructure junctions and the power geometries of low-carbon place-making

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A research article about where, how, when, and for whom low-carbon



places are made. The making of low-carbon places is a critical component of responses to climate change and can help in achieving decarbonization.

The making of low-carbon places is crucial for achieving decarbonization, but where are such places made?

In extending and combining existing research and ideas, the authors take <u>electricity networks</u> as their starting point to study what they term three 'infrastructure <u>junctions</u>', which are places where various practices and processes, with material, spatial, and temporal features, collide and combine in ways that shape the power geometries of low-carbon placemaking.

The authors find that the junctions reveal the conflictual and consensual dimensions of low-carbon transitions and how these features shape and are shaped by the ordering and management of networked hardware. Some features are shared, such as an overarching faith in large-scale provision and unabated demand, whereas others are more unique and rooted in specific contextual realities.

Such insights support attempts to assess, steer, and accelerate low-carbon place-making as a relational process that is manifest and mediated through infrastructure. The authors conclude that infrastructure junctions offer ripe grounds to examine where, how, when, and for whom low-carbon places are in the making.

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