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Details of ISO 31800: 2020 – Faecal sludge treatment units

**04th April 2024
17:00 to 18:30 (IST)**

Webinar 4

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April 04th, 2024 | 17:00 – 18:30 (IST)

Time (IST)	Sessions	Presenters
17:00-17:05	Welcome address	GSCoE, BMGF and CWAS
17:05-17:10	Why is ISO 31800 needed?	Mr. Sun Kim ISO PC 305 Chair Non Sewered Sanitation (NSS) Standards and Compliance
17:10– 17:40	Scope and technical requirements of ISO 31800 and ISO 31800 certification process	Mr. Chris Chan Manager, Projects TUV SUD
17:40 – 17:55	Potential application of ISO 31800: Combustion and pyrolysis example	Mr. Mansour Fall PMP -Liaison officer at FSMA
17:55 – 18:10	Potential application of ISO 31800: Supercritical water oxidation FSTU by 374Water	Prof. Marc Deshusses Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering and Global Health Duke Global Health Institute
18:10 – 18:15	Status of adoption of ISO 31800	Mr. Sun Kim ISO PC 305 Chair Non Sewered Sanitation (NSS) Standards and Compliance
18:15 – 18:25	Q&A	
18:25 – 18:30	Closing remarks for ISO webinar series	GSCoE, BMGF and CWAS

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(NSS) Standards and Compliance

Introduction to ISO Standards for Non-Sewered Sanitation (NSS)

Session-1 ISO 31800:2020 Faecal Sludge Treatment Units

ISO STANDARDS FOR NON-SEWERED SANITATION (NSS)

ISO 31800:2020 Faecal Sludge Treatment Units

Sun Kim

ISO PC 305 Chair

ISO PC 318 Chair (former)

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The Sanitation Crisis

- **2.2 billion** people lack safely managed services for water*
- **3.5 billion** people lack safely managed sanitation*
- **419 million** people still open defecate*
- Diarrheal disease kills **>400,000** children under the age of 5, every year



Women and Girls

- **Imprisonment by daylight**
 - The only time available to defecate maybe after dark.
- **Reduced school enrollment and attendance**
 - The lack of safe, separate and private sanitation and washing facilities particularly during menstruation.
- **Burden of caring for the sick**
 - Caring for the sick adds to their already heavy workload.
- **Impact on pregnant women**
 - About 44 million pregnant women have sanitation-related hookworm infections that pose a considerable health burden in developing societies.

* [WHO & UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme \(JMP\) "Progress on household drinking water, sanitation and hygiene | 2000-2022: special focus on gender \(2023\)](#)

Sanitation Service Chain



Sewerage

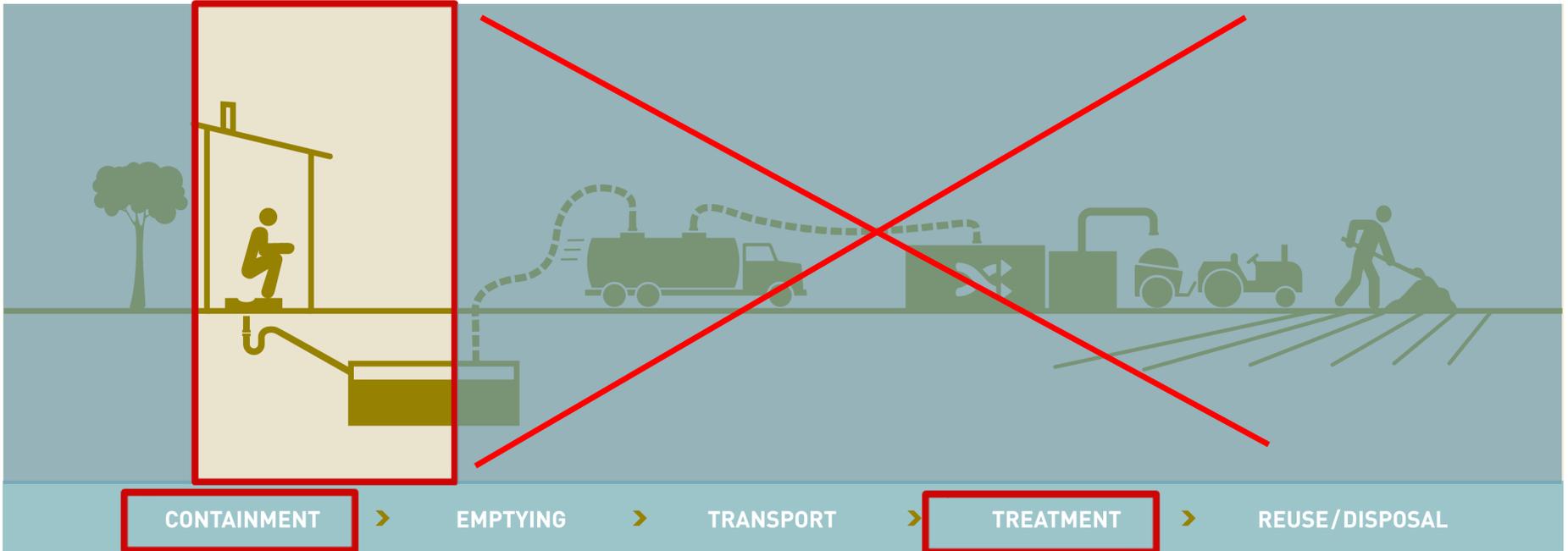


Fecal Sludge Management for non-sewered systems



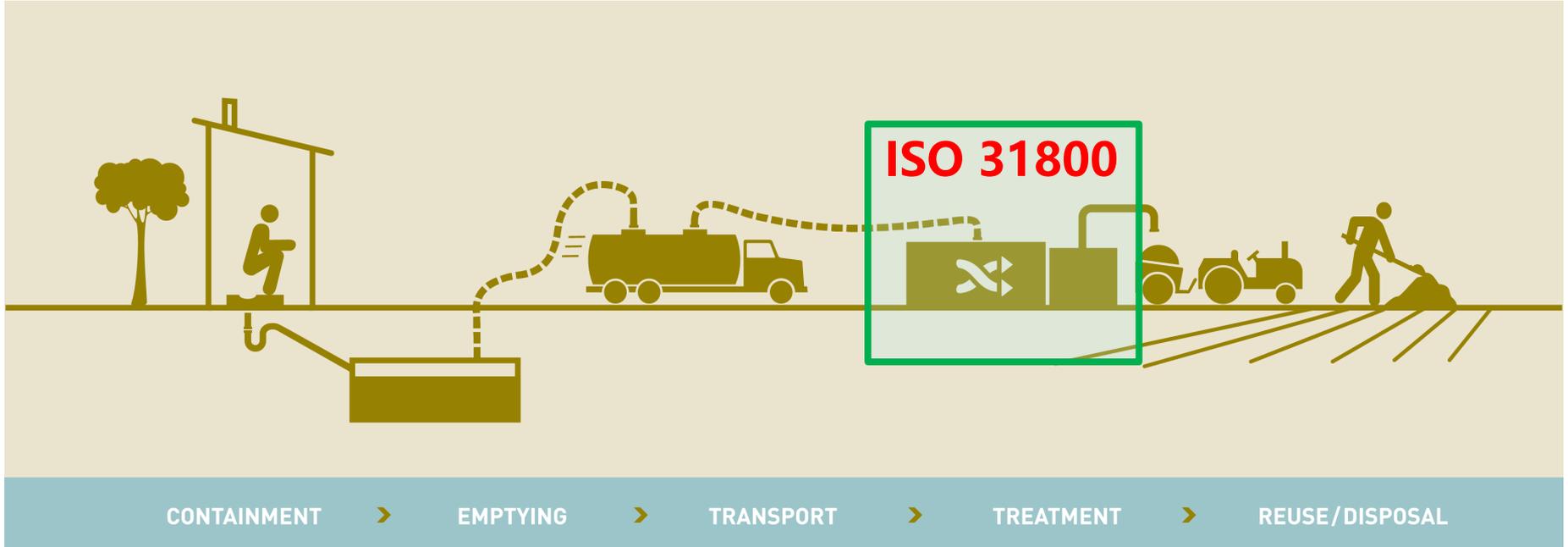
ISO Standards – FSM Overlay

ISO 30500



ISO Standards – FSM Overlay

ISO 24521



ISO 31800 Key Aspects

- **FSTU as a key part of a FSTP**
 - **Design, performance, & test requirements**
 - **Technology-neutral**
 - **Dry Combustion (Engr. Mansour Fall)**
 - **Pyrolysis (Engr. Mansour Fall)**
 - **Supercritical Water Oxidation (Prof. Marc Deshusses)**
 - **Mechanical Vapor Recompression (sedron.com/varcor)**
 - **Focused on faecal sludge treatment**
 - **but may include other materials**
 - **Can be energy neutral or positive for inputs defined by manufacturer**
 - **Treatment for human health and safety**
 - **pathogens, pollutants, emissions, etc...**
 - **Limit odor & noise**
 - **Since many of the ISO 31800 requirements are more stringent than most local and national requirements, those products meeting the standard will generally comply**

New Non-Sewered Sanitation Industry



Enabling environment

Enhanced demand for affordable aspirational sanitation

Implementation of quality standards



Marketplace readiness

Supportive regulatory environment

Access to financing

Readily available competitive products



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Introduction to ISO Standards for Non-Sewered Sanitation (NSS)

Session-2

Introduction to ISO 31800 – Faecal sludge treatment units – Energy independent, prefabricated, community-scale, resource recovery units – Safety and performance requirements

ISO STANDARDS FOR NON-SEWERED SANITATION (NSS)

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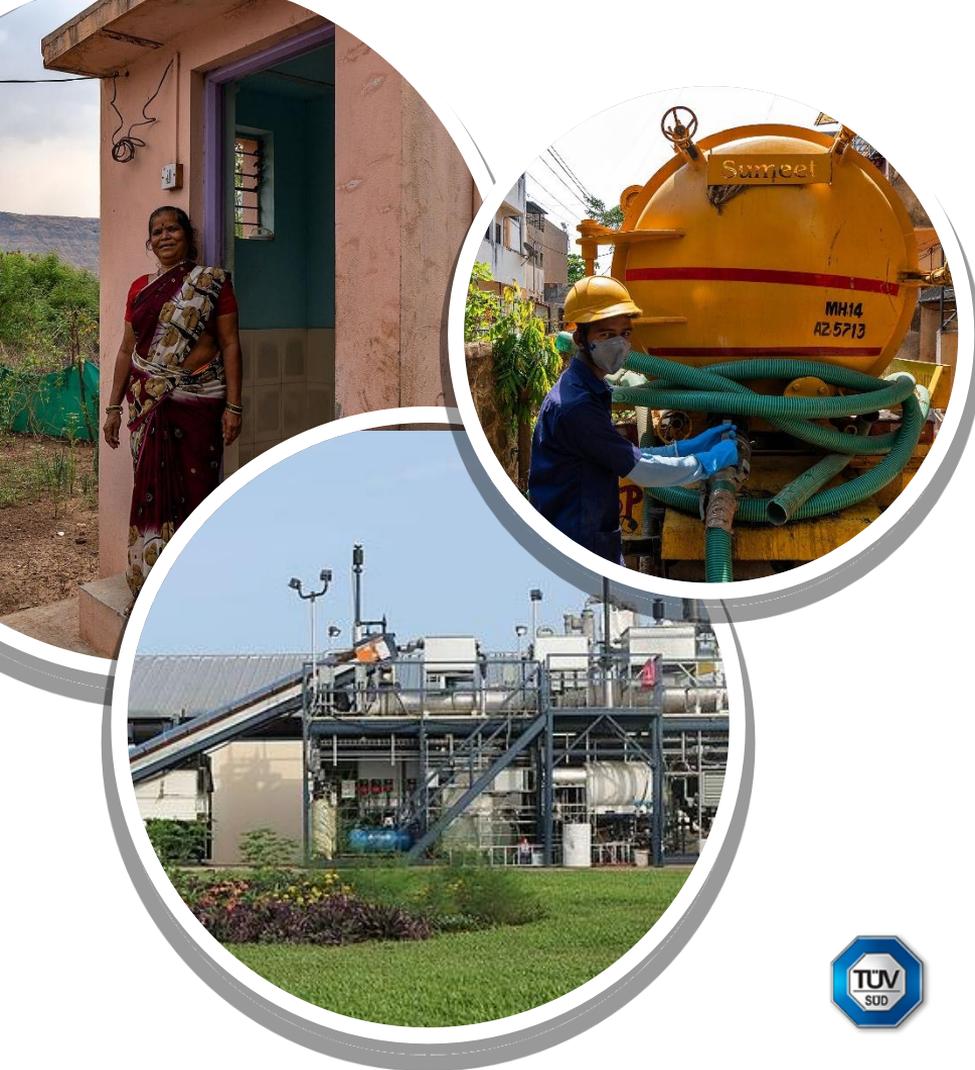
Faecal sludge treatment units – Energy independent, prefabricated, community-scale, resource recovery units – Safety and performance requirements

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Overview of ISO 31800



1. Introduction to ISO 31800



2. Standard Applications



3. Technical Requirements



4. Energy Independence Assessment



5. Performance Testing



Target Audience



Objectives



Required Content



Sustainability



Non-Sewered Communities



Water Scarce Areas



Ensure Safe Sanitation



Performance



Safety



Operability



Maintainability



Requirements



Recommended Template



Human Health



Environmental



Air Emissions



Odour



Noise

Comparisons between ISO 30500 and ISO 31800



(1) Scope 30500

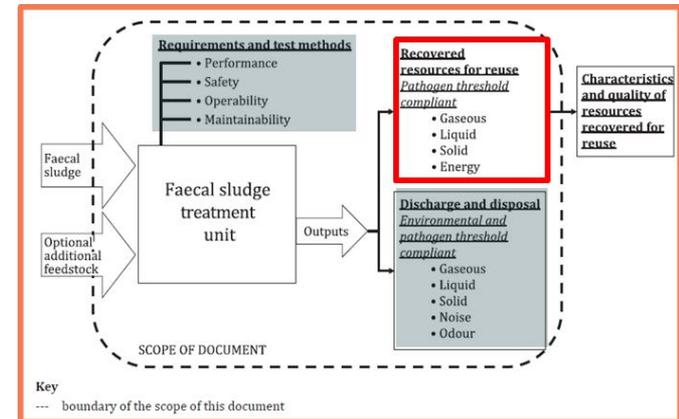
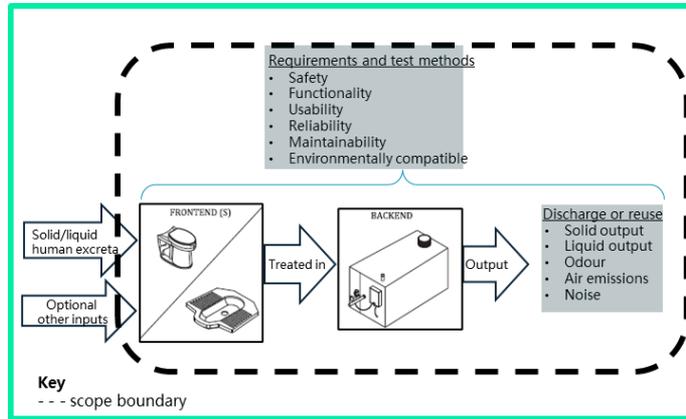
Scope: general safety and performance requirements for design and testing as well as sustainability considerations for Non-Sewered Sanitation Systems (NSSSs)

- User interface + treatment unit
- Household-scale
- No connection to sewer or electrical grid
- Output is safely disposed or reused
- 32 days of lab testing + 5 months of field testing

(2) Scope 31800

Scope: requirements and test methods to ensure performance, safety, operability and maintainability of community-scale resource recovery Faecal Sludge Treatment Units (FSTUs)

- Treatment unit
- Community-scale
- No connection to sewer or electrical grid
- Output is safely disposed or reused
- Recommended test sequence minimally 6 days



4. General Requirements



Treatment unit input

- **Primarily treat faecal sludge** from human excreta, with the need for energy independence.
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	Calorific value	MJ/kg	≥9,0	≥15,0
	Solids content	% solids	≥10,0	≥15,0
	Inorganic content	% mass, dry basis	≤25,0	≤15,0
Other inputs	Throughput (dry basis)	kg/h	≤20,0	
	Calorific value	MJ/kg	≥12,0	
	Solids content	% solids	≥15,0	

NOTE 1 Parameters and values in [Table 1](#) are for illustration purposes only.

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Example of input specification templates



Table A.1 — Sample table specifying input parameters for thermal processes

Parameter	Comments
Input type: e.g. faecal sludge, urine, biomass	
Origin: e.g. faecal sludge received from non-sewered sanitation service provider; sludge left exposed to air on drying beds for an average of 5 days	[Provide as much detail as possible e.g. recommended types of pre-processing required.]
Throughput (kg/day)	[Provide maximum, minimum, and design values]
Particle size (mm)	[If diameter and length are not suitable forms of measure, other formats may be used and clearly indicated.]
$D_x =$ $L_y =$	x = maximum diameter y = maximum length
Moisture content, M (M%, as received) — ISO 18134-1 or ISO 18134-2	[Prepare report based on the total mass of the test sample (wet basis).]
M% =	
Ash content, A (mass %, dry basis) — ISO 18122	[Provide maximum, minimum, and design throughput]
A% =	
Calorific value, Q	[Provide maximum, minimum, and design throughput]
MJ/kg or kWh/kg dry basis, or	
Energy density, E	
MJ/m ³ or kWh/m ³ bulk volume. — ISO 18125	
Bulk density, BD	
kg/m ³ as received — ISO 17828	
$BD =$	
Nitrogen, N (mass %, water free basis) — ISO 16948	[Maximum value should be specified.]
N% =	
Arsenic, As (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
As =	
Cadmium, Cd (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Cd =	
Chromium, Cr (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Cr =	

Separate tables for each type of feedstock

A.1 Thermal processes (As shown)

A.2 Biological processes

A.3 Trace elements

Recommended input parameters with International Standards measurements.

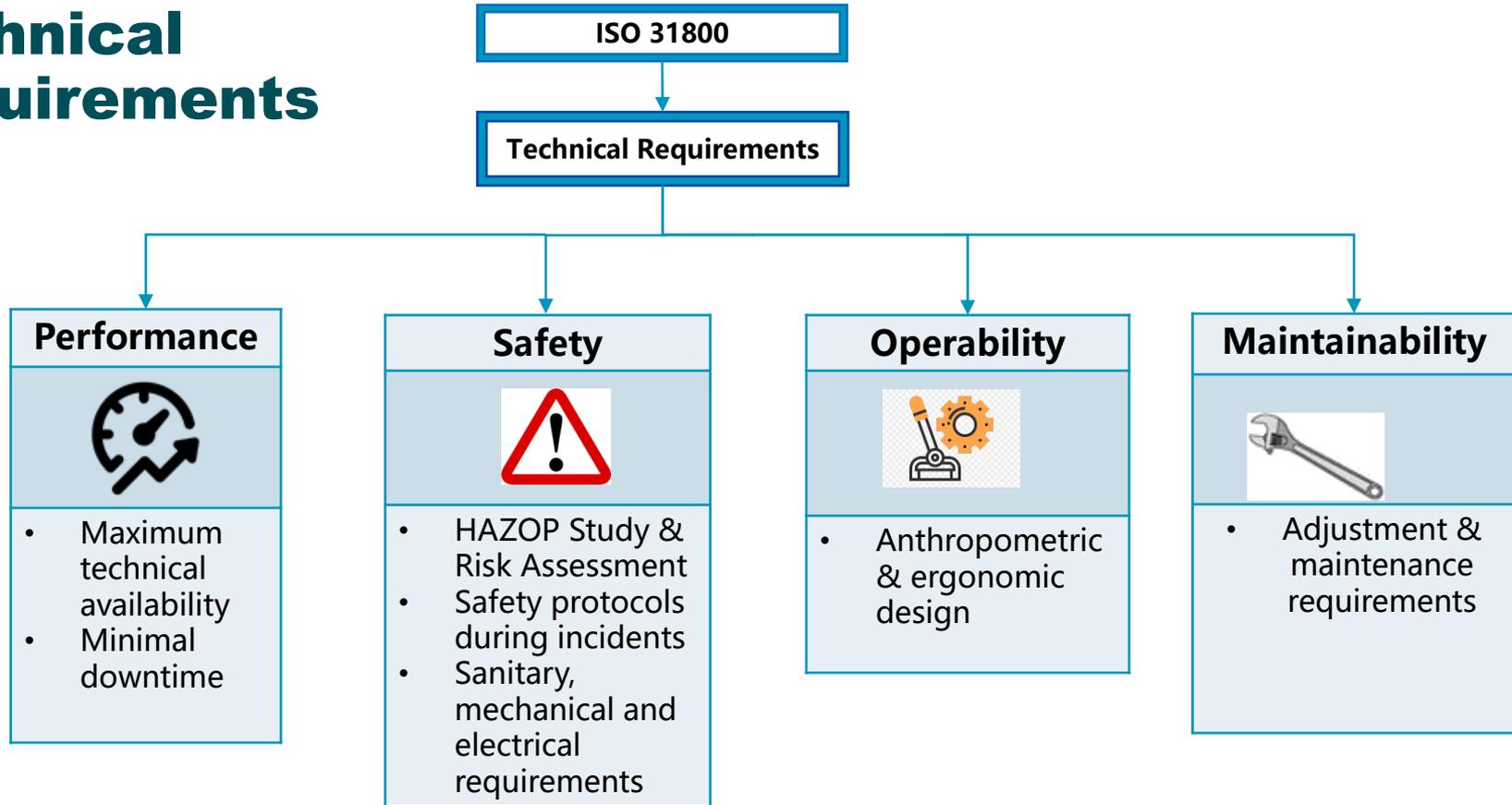
Report and document alternative methods, if used.

Output of mass (composition and amount) of trace elements depends on the input; trace elements may not be fully removed.

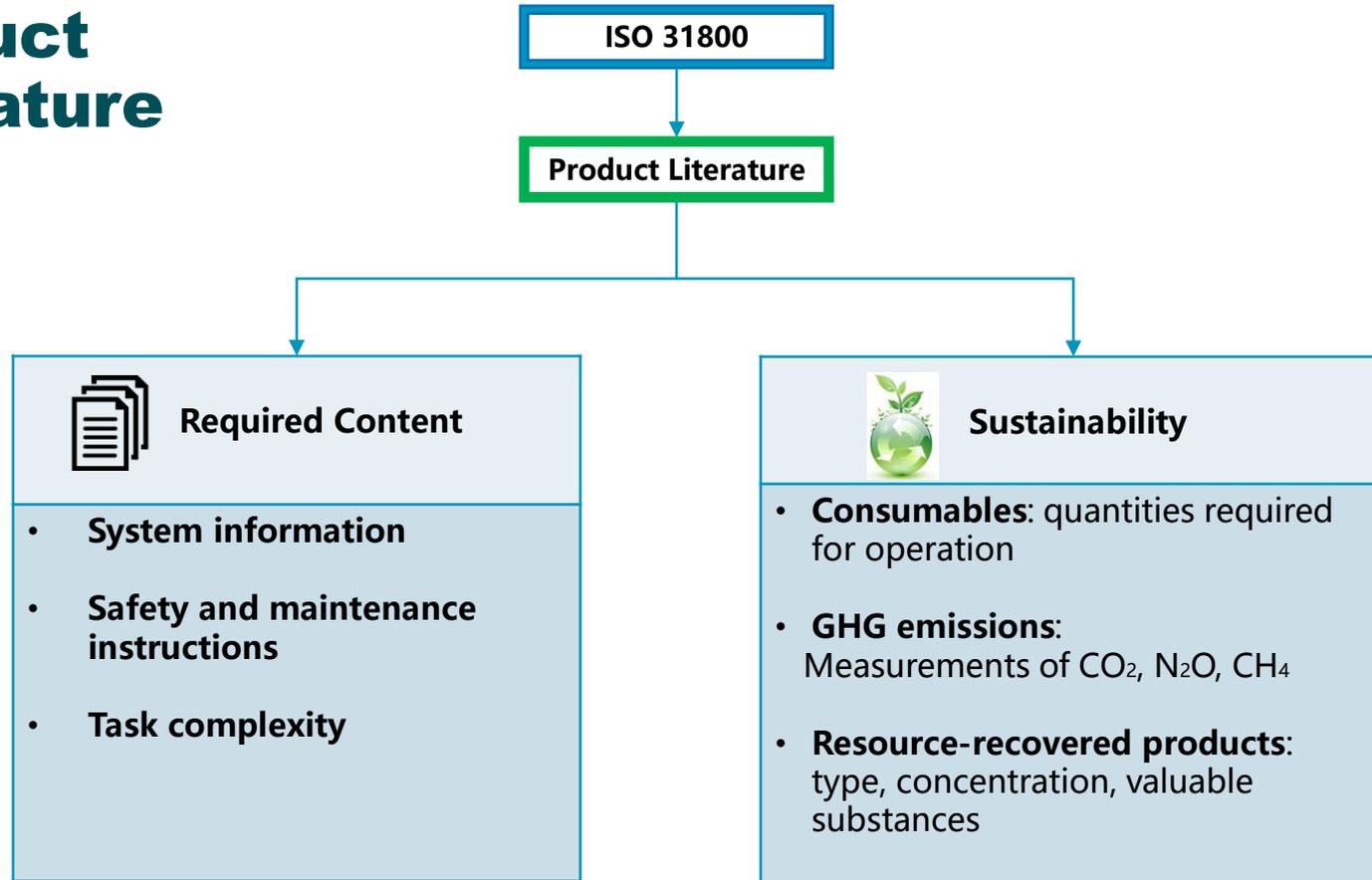
Table A.1 - continued

Parameter	Comments
Copper, Cu (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Cu =	
Mercury, Hg (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Hg =	
Lead, Pb (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Pb =	
Molybdenum, Mo (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Mo =	
Nickel, Ni (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Ni =	
Selenium, Se (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Se =	
Zinc, Zn (mg/kg, dry mass basis)	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Zn =	
Sulphur, S (mass %, water free basis) — ISO 16994	[Maximum value should be specified.]
S% =	
Chloride, Cl (mass %, water free basis) — ISO 16994	[Maximum value should be specified.]
Cl% =	
Other: Rheology	

Technical Requirements



Product Literature



Energy Independence Assessment

ISO 31800

Energy Independence Assessment

Requirements (to be given by manufacturer)

- List of treatment unit operations
- Assumptions for:
 - energy input and useful energy output for major operations
 - Input mass flows
 - Calorific value of dry solids
 - Net accessible energy value of input per hour during steady state.

Example of Energy Balance

Energy independence is declared through the following steps:

- Defined inputs (design/max/min) of exclusively faecal sludge
- Operational electrical requirements, P_{op}
- Power output, P_{out}
- Energy independence, $P_{in} = P_{out} - P_{op} \geq 0$

(1) Defined inputs	
Input, kg/h	2 000 ±100
% moisture	95 ±10
% ash	5 ±2
Calorific value (dry), MJ/kg	17 ±2.5
Input power value, kW	472

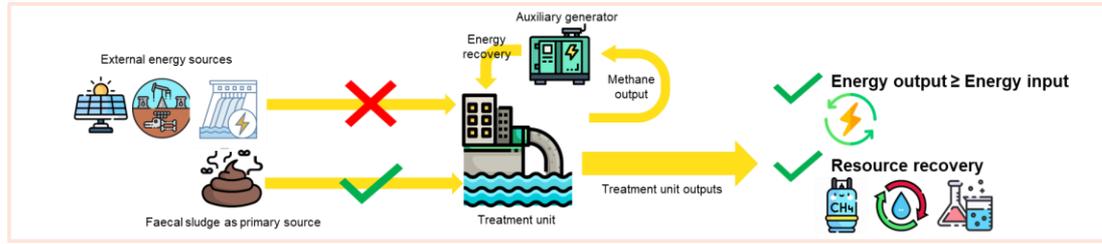
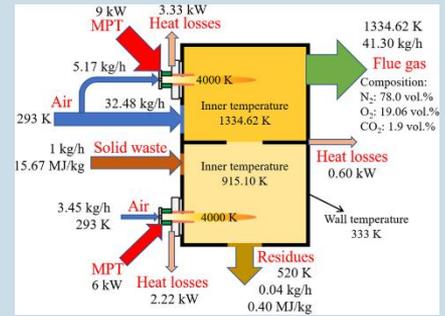
Faecal sludge treatment unit

(2) Operational requirements, P_{op}	
pumps	15 kW
automation	10 kW
P_{op}	25 kW

(3) Power output, P_{out}	
Steam turbine	50 kW
Biogas genset	15 kW
P_{out}	65 kW

(4) Power independence, P_{in}	
P_{in}	65 kW
P_{op}	25 kW
$P_{in} = P_{out} - P_{op}$	40 kW

NOTE 1 Parameters in blocks (2) and (3) are for illustration purpose.
NOTE 2 Electricity is used as an example to illustrate power independence.



Performance testing

Two test conditions to be tested while operating in energy independent mode:

- **Upper throughput limit** of defined input range
- **Lower throughput limit** of defined input range

1. Defined input shall not deviate by +/- 5% (operating in upper and lower throughput limit)
2. Any preventative maintenance activities and durations shall be accounted for and specified by the manufacturer.
3. If maintenance results in downtime, it shall not be part of the entire test duration

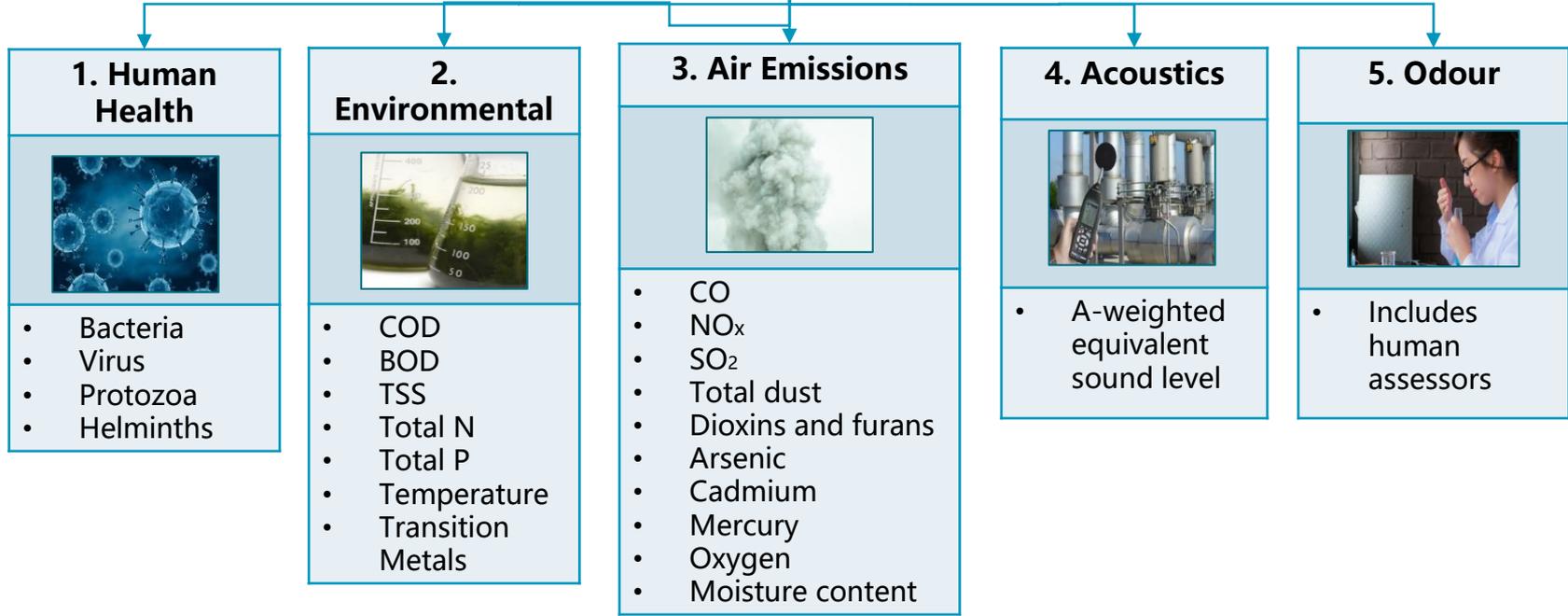
Table 11 — Recommended test sequence

No	Test(s)	Test duration ^c	Remarks
0	Start-up: Follow start-up procedure according to the manufacturer's instructions	Not applicable	The timeframe depends on the duration of the start-up period required to achieve system operability and stability. This duration shall be specified by the manufacturer.
1	Solid and effluent	1 day, for 8 h ^a	Refer to 11.5 for details of sampling planning
2	Air emissions (except dioxins and furans) Odour measurement	1 day, for 8 h ^a	Refer to 11.6 for air emissions, and 11.7 for odour for details of sampling planning
3	Air emissions — Dioxins and furans	At least 3 days, for 8 h/day ^{a,d}	One sample per day. A total of three are required.
4	Noise measurements	1 day, for 8 h ^a	Refer to 11.8 for details of sampling planning Test shall be conducted on a day without other testing activities ^b
^a 8 h excludes time for setting up of equipment, adjustment, calibration, etc. ^b This is done to have the least disturbance. ^c If not specified, test may be carried out in parallel with other test(s). ^d As concentrations to be measured are very low (>0,18 ng/m ³). An accumulation for at least 6 h on the adsorbent is necessary to reach the detection threshold. With the preparation and follow-up time, only one measurement per day is possible.			

Performance Testing

ISO 31800

Performance Testing & Thresholds





Mehr Wert.
Mehr Vertrauen.

Add value.
Inspire trust.

Thank You

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Introduction to ISO Standards for Non-Sewered Sanitation (NSS)

Session-3 Potential application of ISO 31800: Combustion & Pyrolysis example

ISO STANDARDS FOR NON-SEWERED SANITATION (NSS)

Potential application of ISO 31800: Combustion & Pyrolysis example

Mansour Fall

Expert Eng

Independent consultant of BMGF



OMNIPROCESSOR CONCEPT

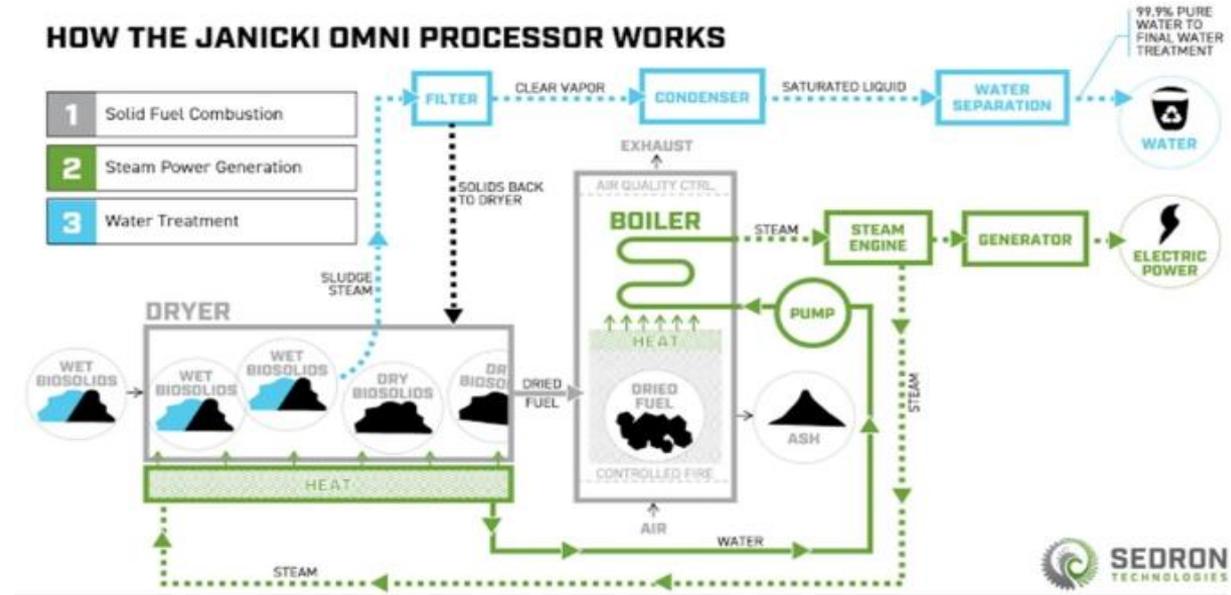
An industrial unit that process the sludge thermally to kill pathogen while reducing the volume and generate some bioproduct .



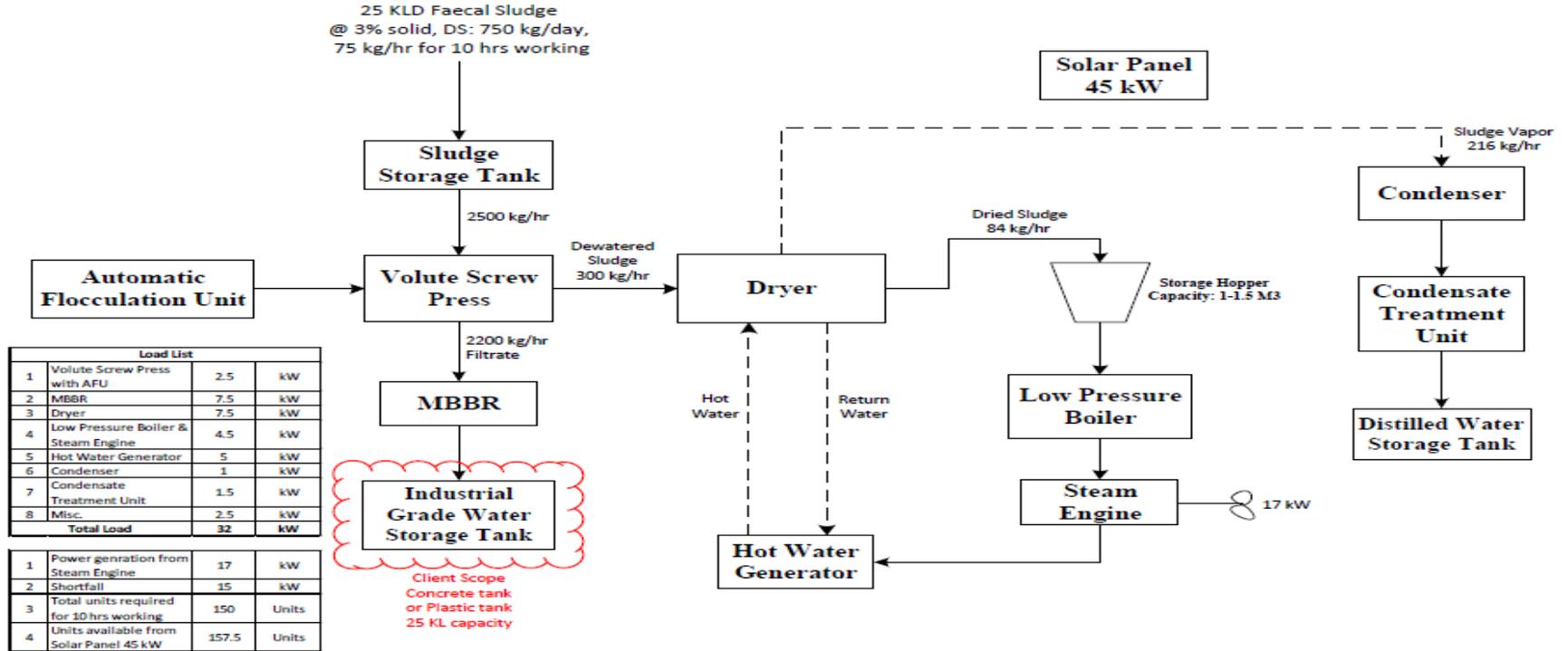
Combustion OP C-OP

What is combustion

A combustion reaction is usually a reaction that produces fire. Combustion takes place at an elevated temperature. It is a heat releasing (exothermic), redox chemical reaction that usually occurs between a fuel and oxidizing agent (mostly oxygen of the atmosphere).



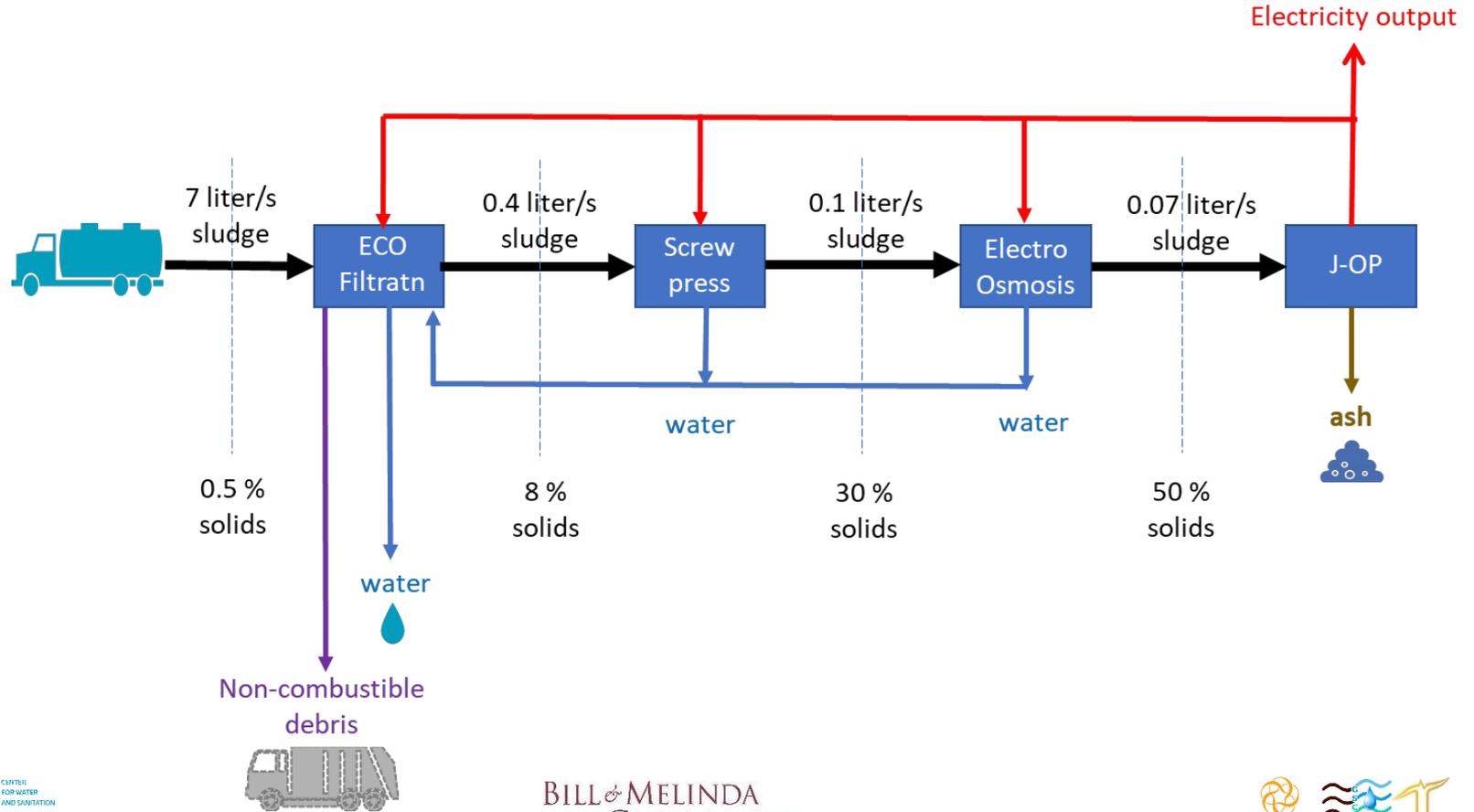
2nd generation Op



Note:

1. Start-up power through DG Set/Battery Bank
2. Minimum required dry basis CV of sludge = 14 MJ/kg
3. Space required = 850 M2

3rd generation OP



A 3D cutaway rendering of a 3rd Generation C-OP (Circuiting of the Primary) nuclear reactor system. The image shows a complex industrial facility with a large white building in the background, a blue truck in the foreground, and a large circular structure on the right. The reactor core is visible in the center, surrounded by various pipes and structures. The text "3rd Generation C-OP" is overlaid in a dark green rounded rectangle.

3rd Generation C-OP

PYROLYSE OP

What is Pyrolysis ?

It is the heating of an organic material, such as biomass, in the absence of oxygen. Biomass pyrolysis is usually conducted at or above 500 °C





WAI P-OP



J-Omiprocessor installed in Dakar Senegal



Pavers block



Fertilizer

Produit Fertilisant 50 Kilos à usage des cultures
et espaces verts.
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Appliquez le service des clients
- Fertiliser les sols
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- Augmenter le rendement agricole
et l'écoulement des cultures.

- Matière sèche : 90,0%
- Matière organique : 10,0%
- pH : 6,5 à 7,0
- N : 1,00%
- P : 0,50%
- K : 0,50%

Masse nette : 50 Kg

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Coolant for car engine



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Introduction to ISO Standards for Non-Sewered Sanitation (NSS)

Session-4

Potential Application of ISO 31800: Supercritical Water Oxidation by 374Water

**ISO STANDARDS FOR
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Evolution timeline

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Reinvent the Toilet

2011



Duke
UNIVERSITY

2013



374WATER^o

- Social impact, cleantech company
- About 30 employees worldwide

July 2018



Nasdaq

2022 (“SCWO”)



A photograph of a waste dumpsite. In the foreground, a man in a green shirt and brown pants is pushing a large green barrel into a stream. The stream is filled with trash and debris. In the background, another man in a brown shirt is walking away. The ground is covered in a thick layer of garbage, including plastic bags, paper, and other waste. The stream is dark and polluted, with some debris floating in it. The overall scene is one of environmental degradation and waste management challenges.

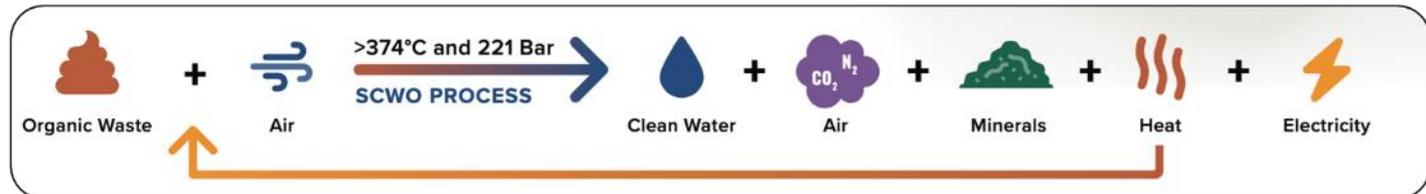
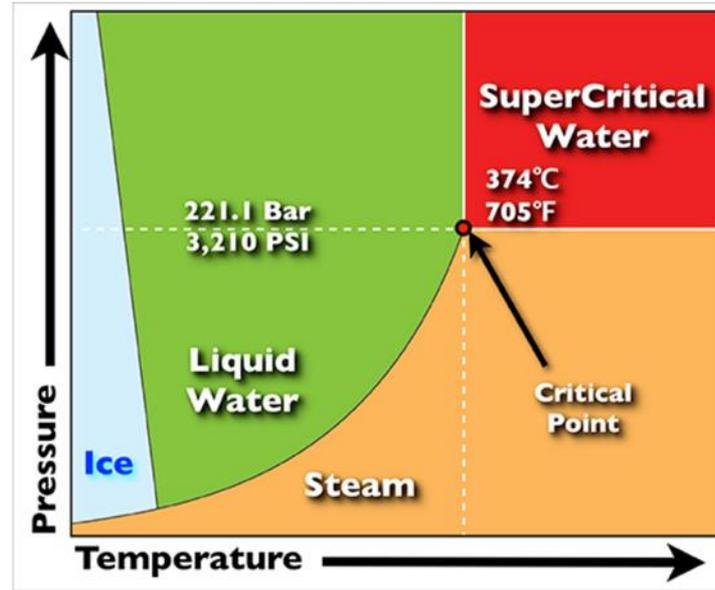
Shifting the waste paradigm

This barrel is an
87 kWh
worth of dump!

The same energy as
in 10 L of
gasoline

or a Tesla
battery pack

What is SCWO ?



*SCWO converts organic waste into clean water, heat, electricity and CO₂ in **seconds!***

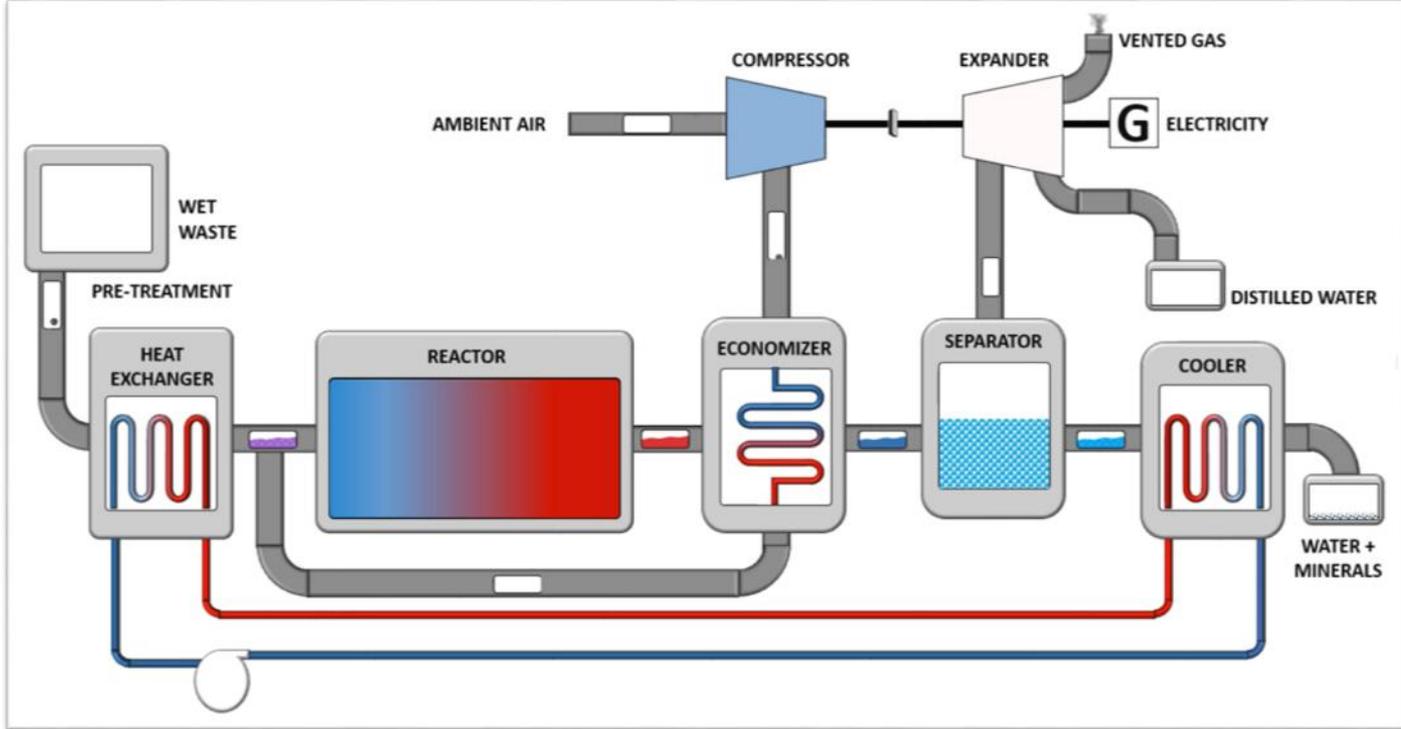
SCWO is a transformative technology

- Process is compact and scalable
- Treat waste at the source eliminating transportation and greenhouse gases
- Recover and reuse water, energy and nutrients
- Decentralized, prefabricated, compact and modular units
- Energy efficient, sustainable and resilient



Duke pilot SCWO system

How AirSCWO™ works



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Wastes treated so far ...

**Primary
sludge**



**Dewatered
secondary
sludge**



**Digested
sludge**



**Animal
wastes**



**Food
waste**



**Landfill
leachate**



Stockpile AFFF



AFFF rinsate



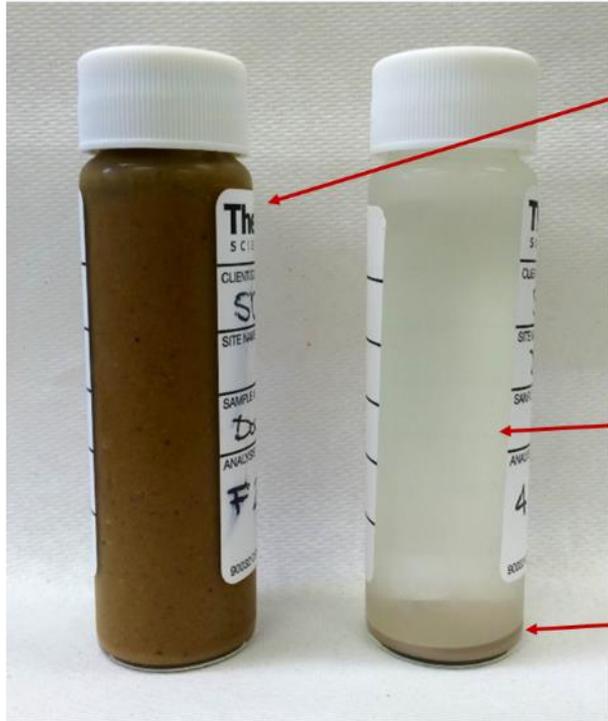
Microplastics



... and the list goes on

- Pharmaceuticals
- Chemical wastes (F, Br, Cl)
- Ag waste/fermentation waste
- Waste cooking or motor oil
- FOG (fat, oil and grease)
- GAC
- Spent IX resin

It always comes out the same...



Feed

Effluent

Minerals



Landfill
Leachate



Primary Sludge



Biosolids



Plastic



Food Waste

Typical performance for biosolids and wastewater sludges

Parameter	Influent	Effluent
COD (mg/L)	160,000 - 220,000	50-200
VSS	10-18%	<1%
Total N (mgN/L)	2000-15,000	20-500
NH ₃ (mgN/L)	300-600	5-100
NO ₂ ⁻ (mgN/L)	0-20	<5
NO ₃ ⁻ (mgN/L)	100-300	<10
PO ₄ ³⁻	2000-6000	20-150
pH	6-8	6-7
Conductivity (μS/cm)	3000-5000	100-300

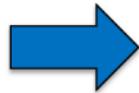
Treatment of micro-pollutants

Experimental Approach

- Spiked contaminants in IPA/water and in biosolids

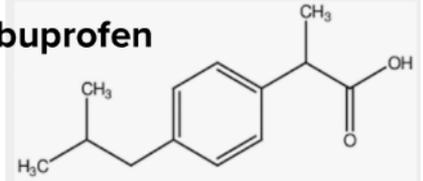
Results

- Ibuprofen** and **acetaminophen**: spiked 10 mg/L each
Effluent: ND at < 1 µg/L **Elimination > 99.99%**
- Triclosan**: spiked: 100 µg/L
Effluent: ND at < 0.1 µg/L **Elimination > 99.9%**
- Tetrabromobisphenol A**: spiked: 13 g/L
Effluent: ND at < 1 mg/L **Elimination > 99.99%**

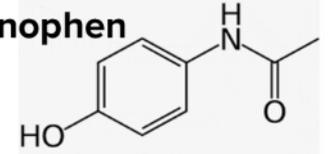


**SCWO treatment is
waste agnostic**

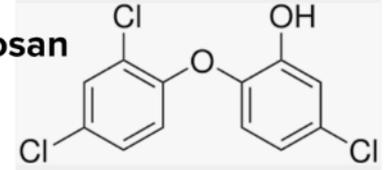
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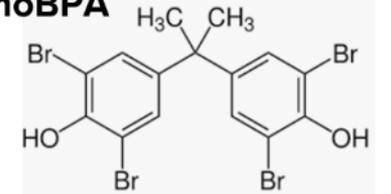
Acetaminophen



Triclosan



TetrabromoBPA

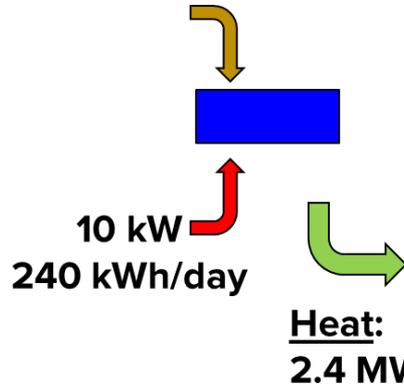


Energy Balances (Projections)

AirSCWO 6

(2024)

6 wet ton/day

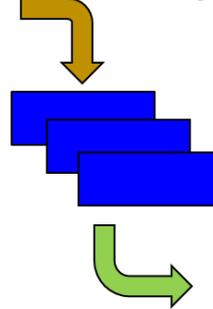


Heat:
2.4 MWh(thermal)/day

AirSCWO 30

(2025)

30 wet ton/day



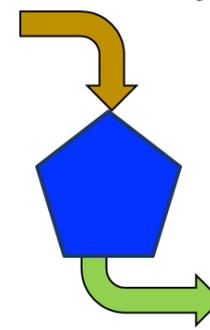
Electricity: 12.5 kW
300 kWh/day

Heat: 12
MWh(thermal)/day

AirSCWO 200

(tbd)

200 wet ton/day



Electricity: 167 kW
4000 kWh/day

Heat: 80
MWh(thermal)/day

374Water's AirSCWO™ systems



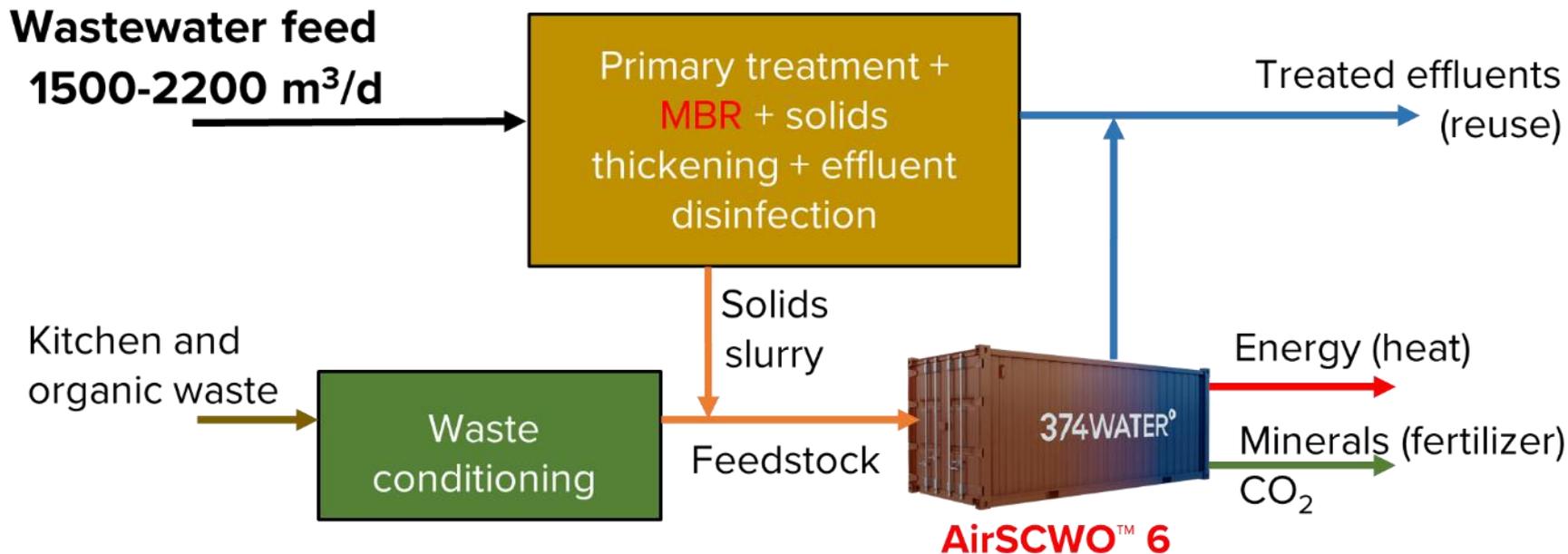
AirSCWO and ISO 31800

Criterion	Threshold or Requirement	AirSCWO value (preliminary)	Comment
Energy independence	Operate off-grid solely on FS	Not met AS 6 Will be met AS 30	Need sludge at 15% DS
Liquid and solid output, human health	See Tables 3 and 6	Will meet all health criteria	T > 500 °C
Solid trace elements	See Tables 4 and 5	Tbd	Largely input dependent
BOD	<25 mg/L	ND	
COD	<100 mg/L	50-100 mg/L	
pH	6-9	6-7	
Vent: CO	440 mg/m ³	45 mg/m ³	
Vent: NOx	880 mg/m ³	0.02 mg/m ³	
Vent: SOx	2000 mg/m ³	0.1 mg/m ³	
Odor	Dispersion calc.	Will likely pass	Very low odor

374Water will likely pursue ISO 31800 certification for its AirSCWO systems

Decentralized Sanitation / Mixed-Use Development

AirSCWO™ – Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) Combination
for Sewage Treatment



FSM Project in Progress: The Homa Bay Blueprint, Kenya

- Partnered with key organizations, local government, and national university
- Deploy an AirSCWO unit, build data hub
- Determine impact
- Build a pathway to scale

For information, see: <https://gpfd.org/>



Conclusions

- SCWO is an effective technology for biosolids and fecal sludge management
- All organic contaminants are mineralized and all pathogens are eliminated during treatment
- The process does not require chemicals or consumables
- Resources are recovered
- AirSCWO™ systems will soon be deployed commercially

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THANK YOU

