

2016 Kappe Lecture “Maximizing Process Intensification and Resource Recovery-from Theory to Practice
Friday (November 4) 12:30 noon to 1:30 p.m. University of South Florida (Tampa)
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Dr. Sudhir Murthy is the Innovations Chief at DC Water where he leads the development and implementation of their innovation strategy. Dr. Murthy creates, defines, and translates research and development into new or improved facilities, products, services or revenue concepts. He has led the concept development for several programs that has led to nearly \$1 billion in engineered facilities. In the past five years, DC Water has won four Research Grand Prizes from the American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists. Dr. Murthy is a Professional Engineer, a Board Certified Environmental Engineer, and has received several Water Environment Federation awards including the Ralph Fuhrman Medal for Academia-Practitioner Collaboration, the George Gascoigne Medal for Wastewater Treatment Operational Improvement and the Camp Applied Research Award.

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Kappe Lecture:
**Maximizing Process Intensification
and Resource Recovery:**
from Practice to Theory (and back to Practice)

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1500 MLD plant capacity
Largest AWTP in the world

Intensification factor and resource savings are calculated compared to conventional treatment (**nitrification/denitrification, mesophilic digestion**) or the current Blue Plains operation (**carbon, mainstream**)

Intensification factor	Resource savings
2-4	50% hauling cost Electricity production

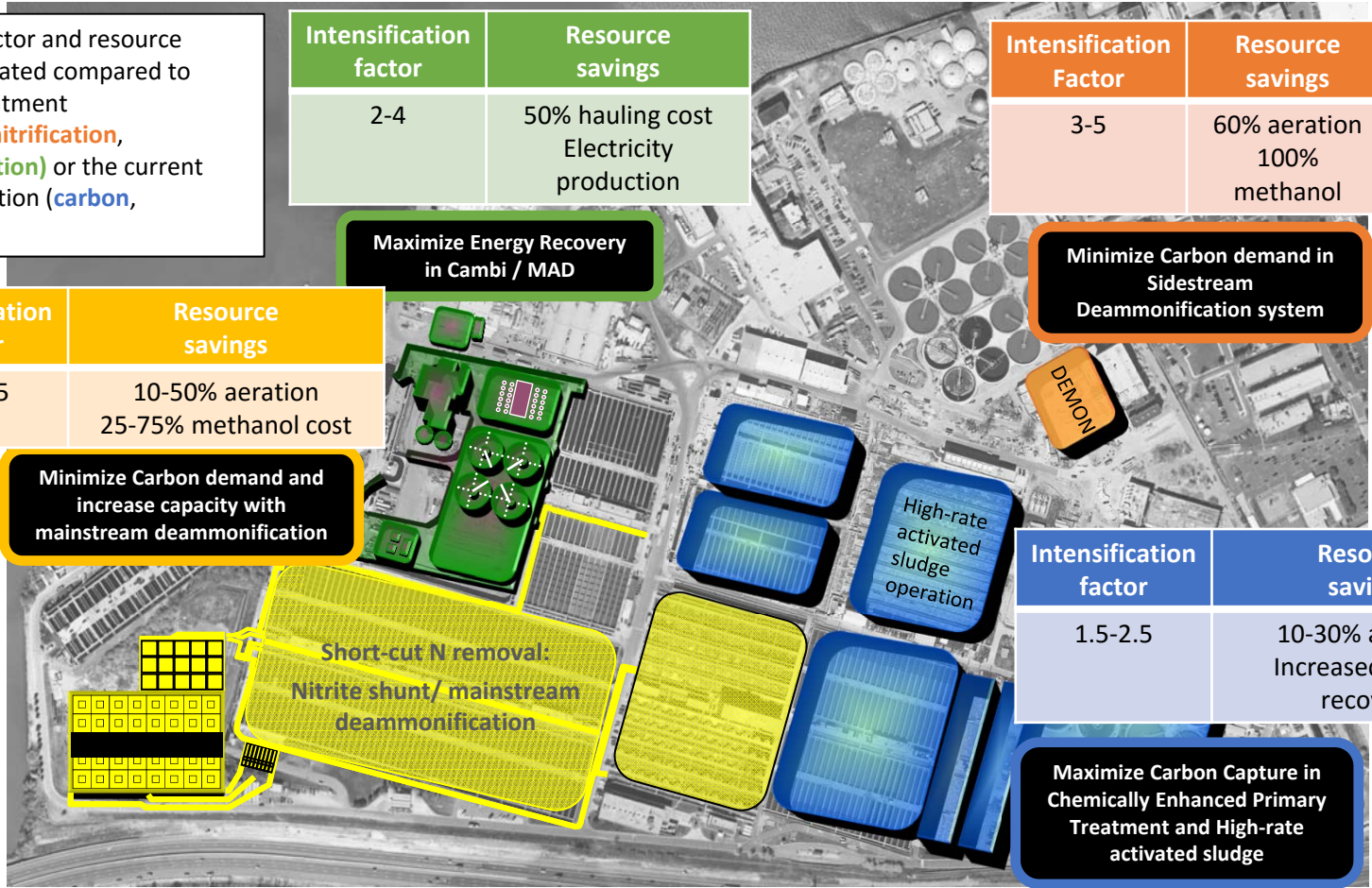
Intensification Factor	Resource savings
3-5	60% aeration 100% methanol

Intensification factor	Resource savings
1.5-2.5	10-50% aeration 25-75% methanol cost

Minimize Carbon demand and increase capacity with mainstream deammonification

Maximize Energy Recovery in Cambi / MAD

Minimize Carbon demand in Sidestream Deammonification system



Intensification factor	Resource savings
1.5-2.5	10-30% aeration Increased energy recovery

Maximize Carbon Capture in Chemically Enhanced Primary Treatment and High-rate activated sludge

Challenges Blue Plains Washington, D.C.



DO more

- Growth
- More Stringent Regulations – Now and in the Future
 - Eliminate CSOs
 - Nutrients (TN<3 & TP<0.18),
 - Class A Biosolids



IN less

- Space constraints
- Aging infrastructure

WITH less

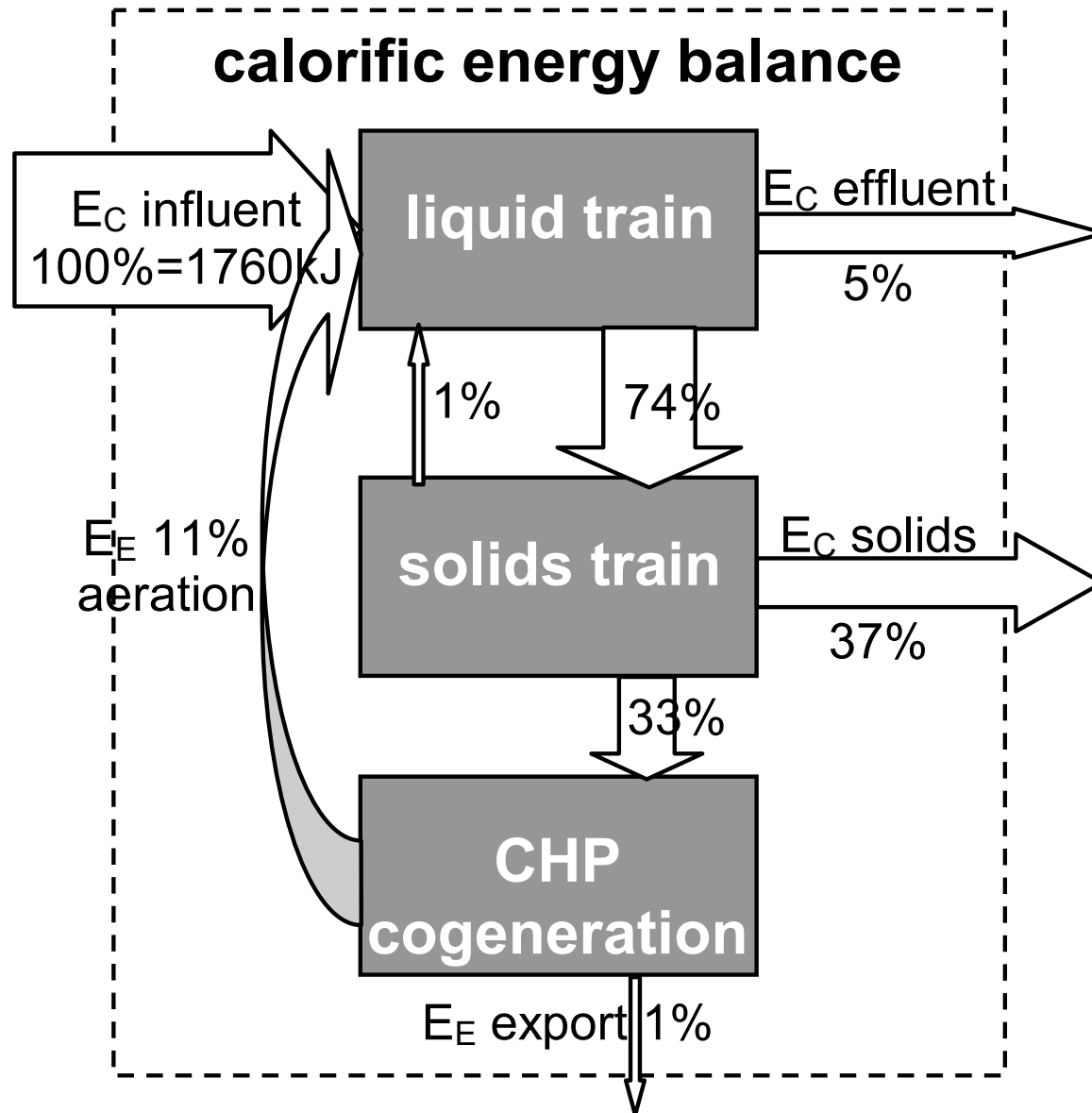
- Sustainability Vision
 - Energy Neutrality
 - Resource Recovery – Energy, Biosolids, Nutrients, Water
- Cost – long term rate impacts





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Carbon Redirection



Source:
Bernhard Wett



Clayton M. Christensen
Harvard Business School

The Evolution of Digital File Storage





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The Fly and The Elephant

House fly - 17 days



Starling - 17 months



Carp - 19 years



Shark - 25 years



Cat - 36 years



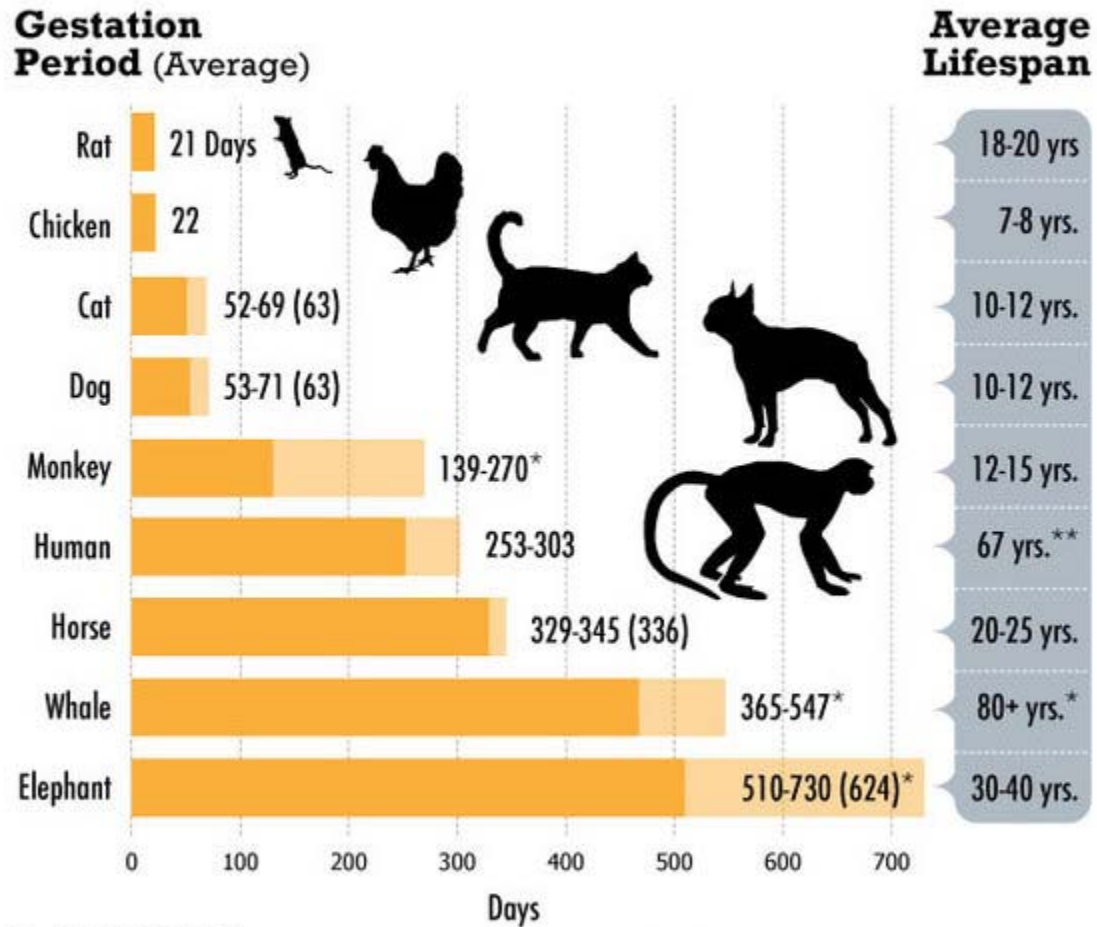
Lobster - 50 years



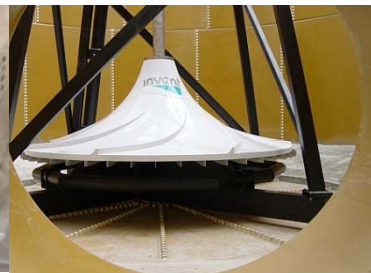
Elephant - 70 years



Innovation Lifecycle






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Increasing Maximum Life

The Innovation Portfolio

<p>Hares (lifecycle of 5 years)</p> 	<p>Horses (lifecycle of 20 years)</p> 	<p>Elephants (lifecycle of >50 years)</p> 
<p>Devices (sensors, tablets, industrial PCs, edge devices)</p>	<p>Mechanical Technology (mixers, aerators, scrapers, meters)</p>	<p>Centralized Infrastructure (systems and processes within water reclamation plants, drinking water plants, pump stations, buried infrastructure)</p>
<p>Analytics (controls, algorithms, machine learning)</p>	<p>Hydraulic/Selection Technology (pumps, screens, filters, cyclones, diffusers)</p>	<p>Distributed Systems (asset management, watershed management, cloud systems)</p>

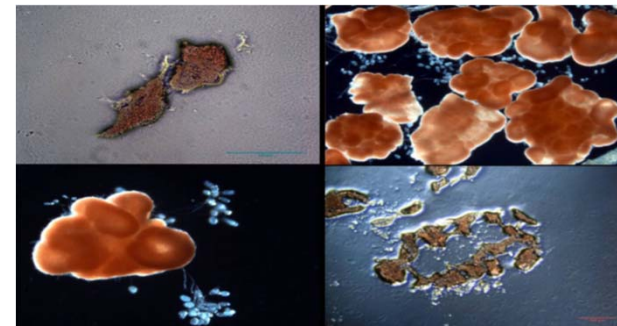
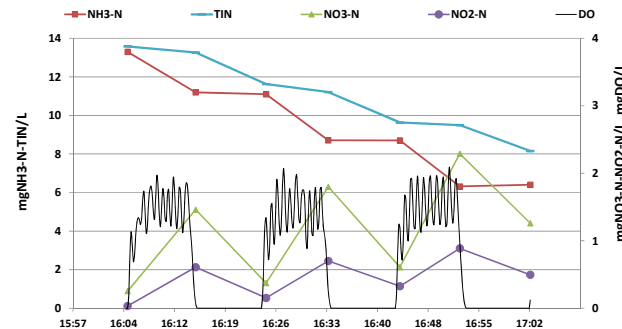
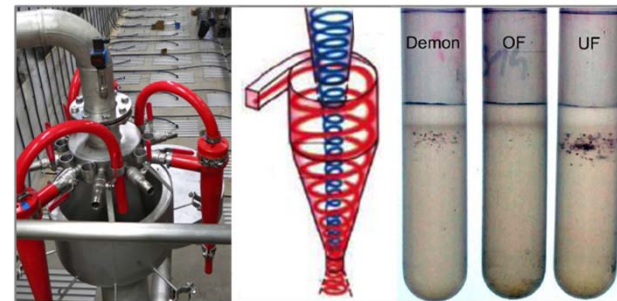
Open Innovation

- **Utilities** (Alex Renew, Fairfax County, **HRSD**, PWD, NYCDEP, **Thames Water**, **Sydney Water**, Singapore PUB, **Strass**, Salzburg)
- **Universities** (GWU, HU, UMd, Catholic U, VT, **Bucknell U**, UCI, **Columbia U**, UK, U. Innsbruck, **Ghent U.**, U. Queensland, U. Cape Town)
- **Within Manufacturing/Services** (WWW, HKF, Ovivo, Cambi, Cisco, Qualcomm, Meiden, WWW India)
- **Consultants** (Most Major US Consultants, ARA Consult, Dynamita)



Underlying theme for *Intensification* and managing *Resource* used:

- Improve the ‘physical factors’ that limit process performance
- Sensors and process control can leverage further improvements
- Biological selection is key to managing yield and inventory

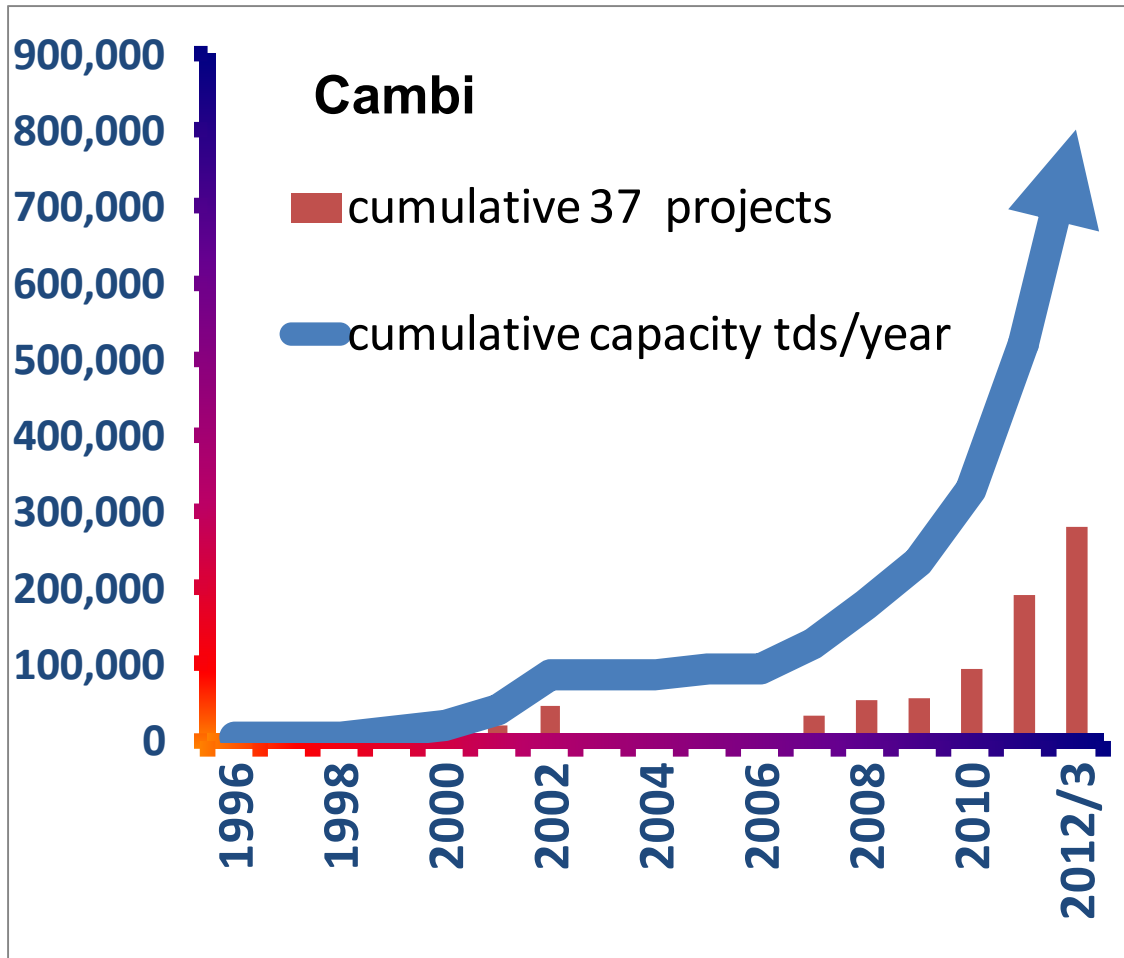


- Viscosity
- Flocculation
- Stokes Law (Gravitational Force)
- Compressibility
- Diffusion

* Shear plays an underlying role in many of these concepts

- Viscosity

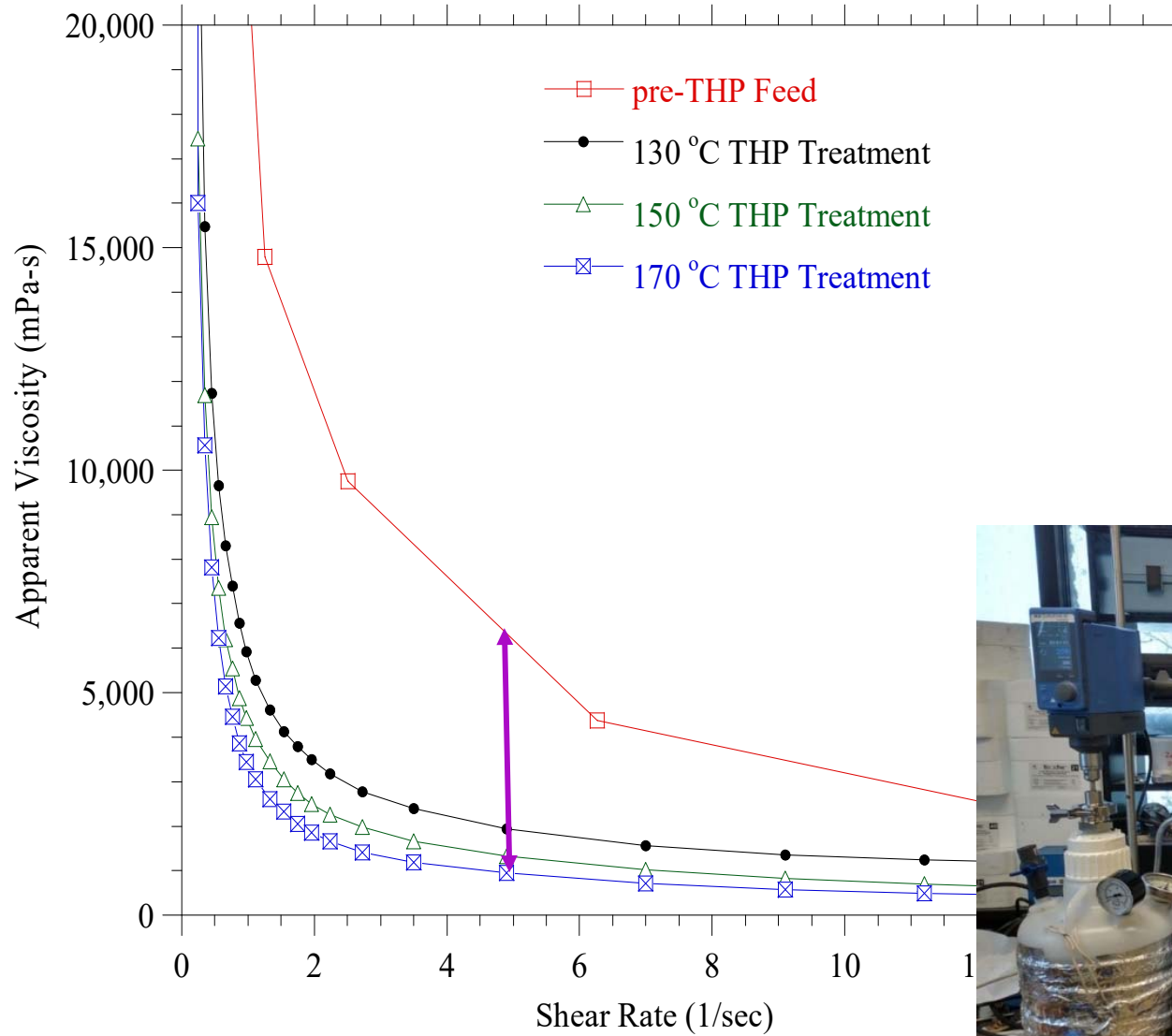




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Effect of thermal pretreatment
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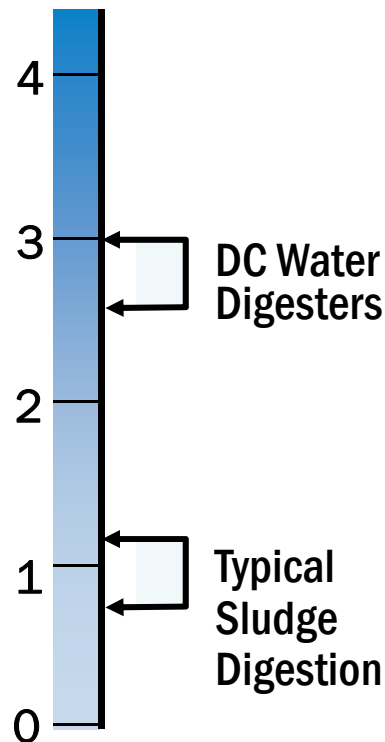
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 **BLOOM** GOOD SOIL,
BETTER EARTH.

Ft³ biogas/day
Ft³ of tankage



Feeding ~10% Solids

- VS loading at 0.4+ lb VS/ft³/day
- Only 15 MG of Digesters, rather than 40+MG required for typical MAD
- At \$5/gal = \$125+ million savings and much less space required

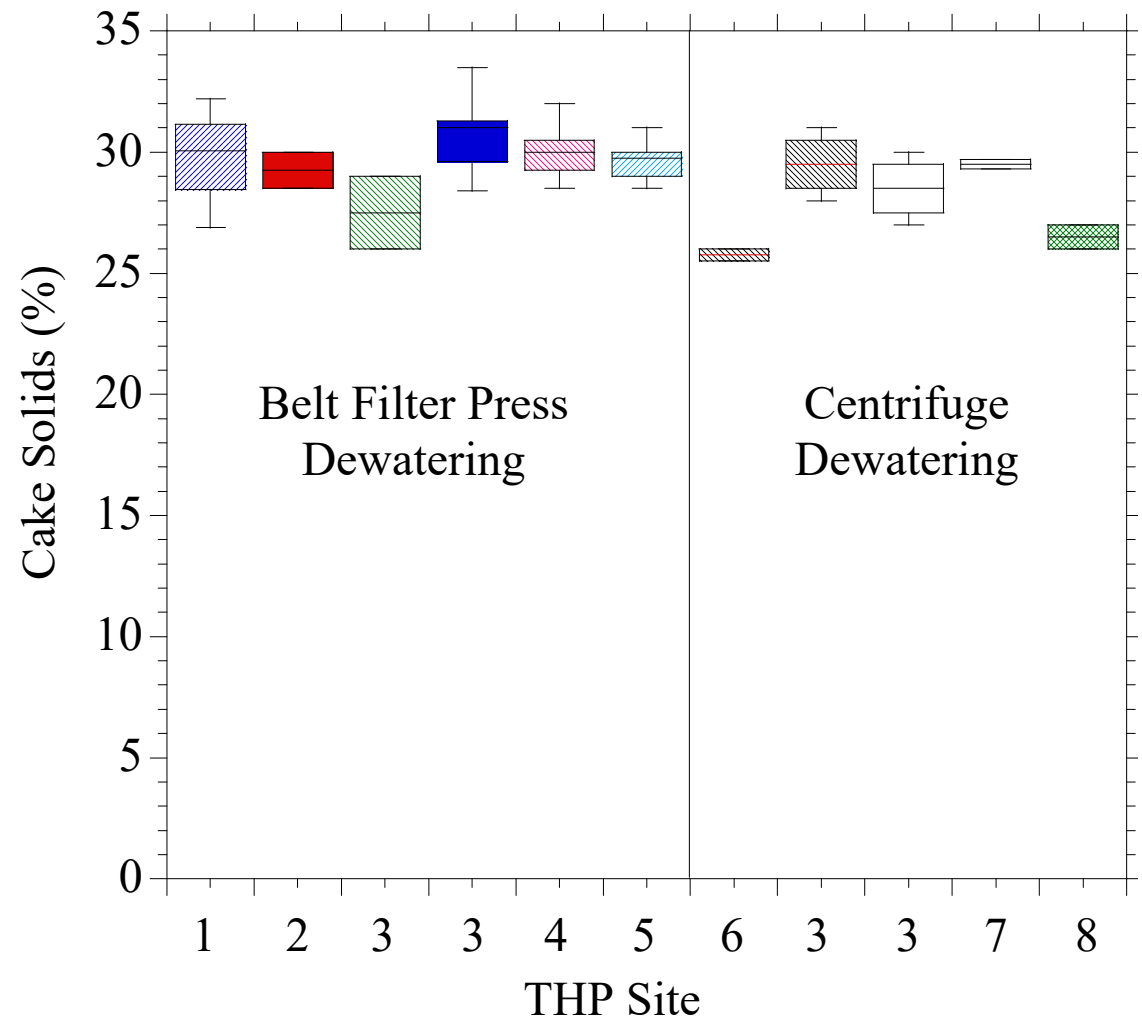


Physical Factor for Discussion

- Flocculation



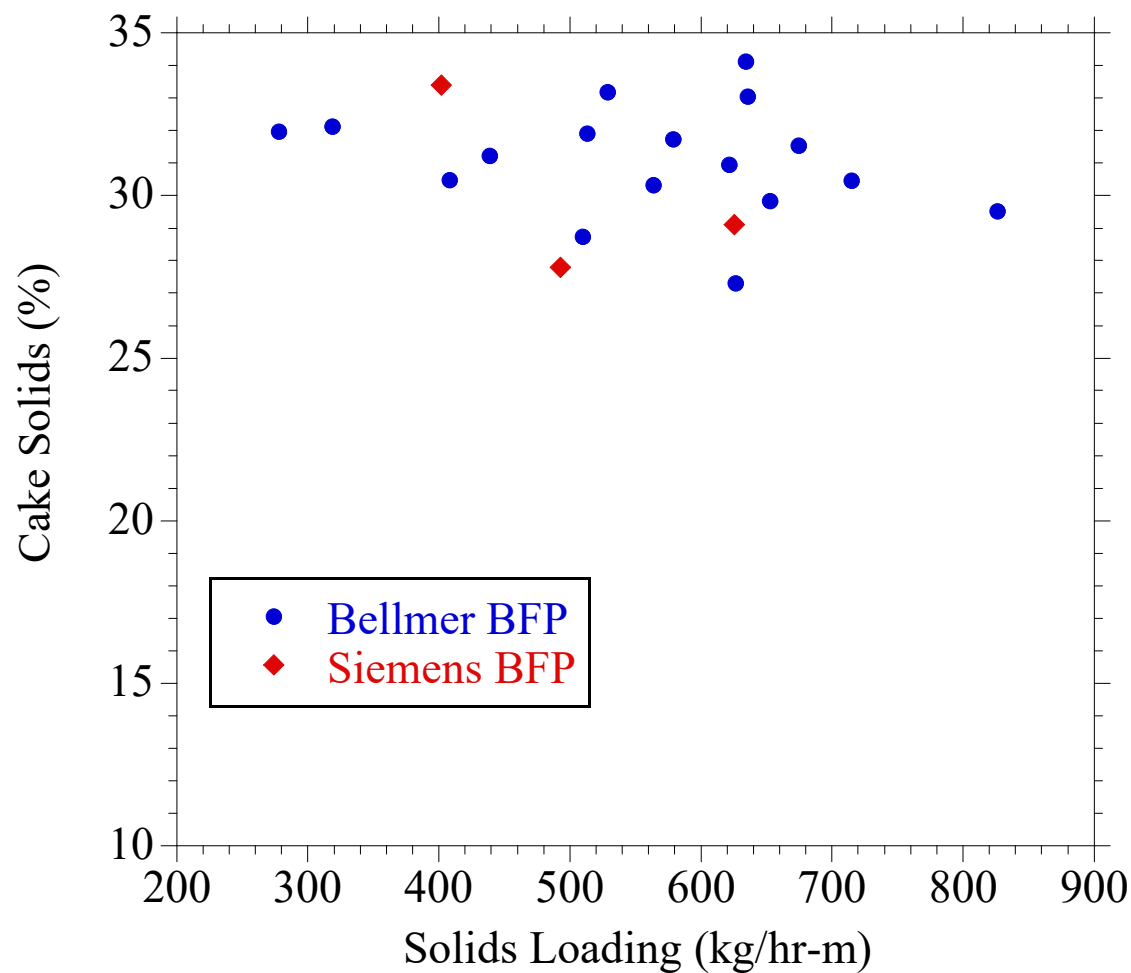
Dewatering at TH Plants



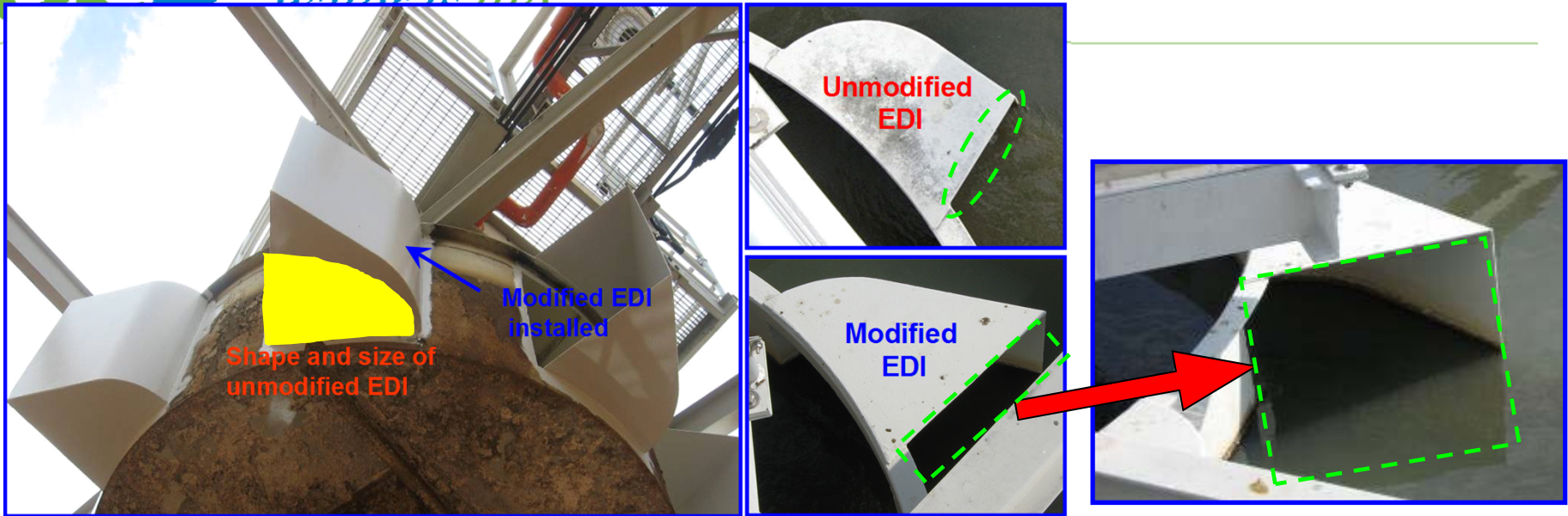
Dewatering Intensification

Site	Dewatering Equipment	Solids Loading Rate (kg/hr-m)	Polymer Dose (kg/mt)	Cake Solids	Filtrate Solids - TSS (mg/L)
Aberdeen	2.2 m, Ashbrook Klampress	246	11-12	28-32	4700
Denmark Naestved	1973 -2 m, Bellmer Winklepress	330	6-8	29-30	2330
Bran Sands	3 m, Andritz Belt press Powerpress S11	290-320	10	26-29	2000-8000
HIAS	2 m, Stantec BFP	210	4-5.5	24-26	3000

is life **Dewatering Intensification**



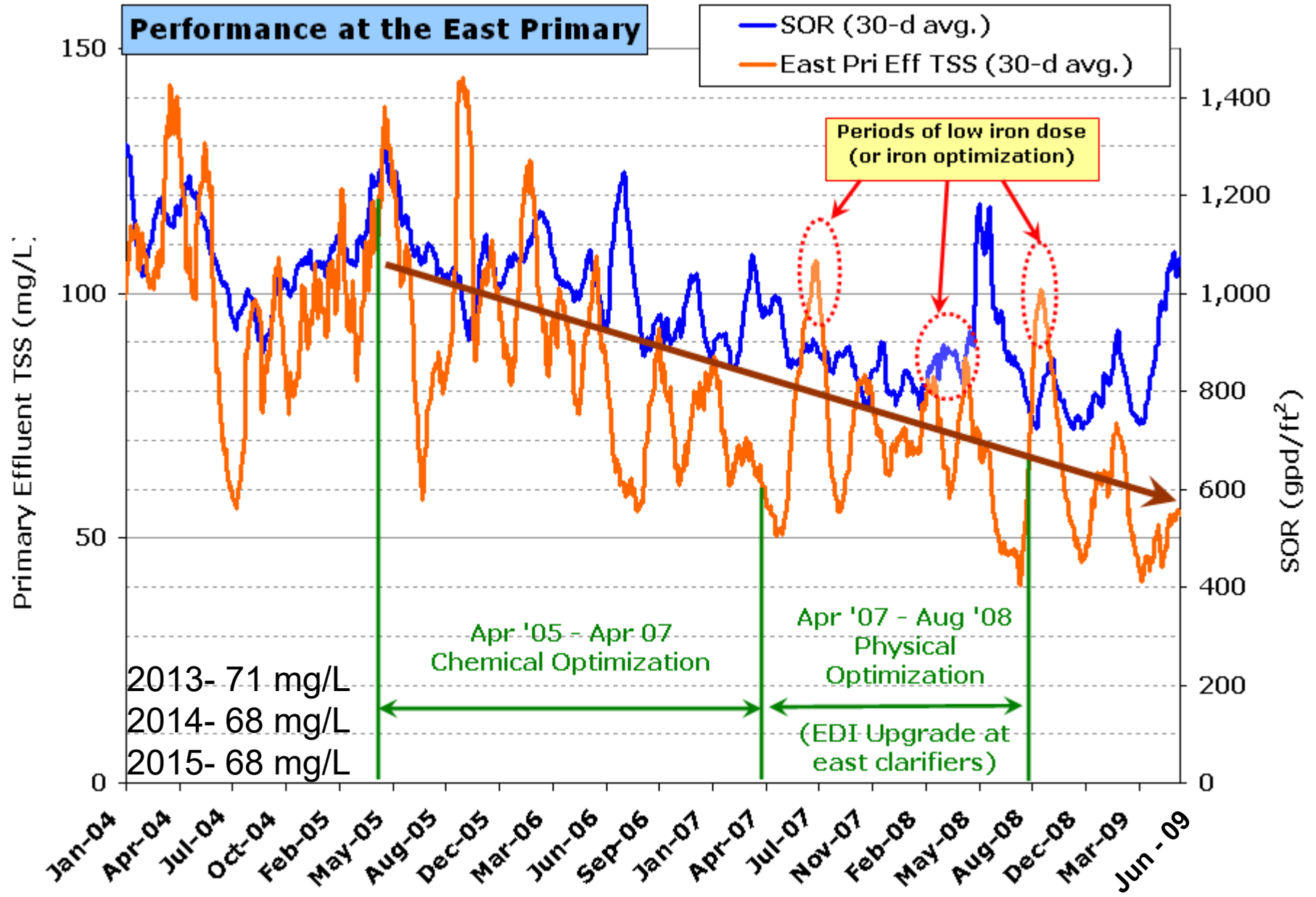
Stress Test with Modified EDI



Date	Fe ³⁺ (mg/L)	Polymer (mg/L)	SOR Mod. EDI (gpd/ft ²)	SOR Unmod. EDI (gpd/ft ²)	Influent TSS (mg/L)	Effluent TSS	
						Mod. EDI (mg/L)	Unmod. EDI (mg/L)
6/14/05	4.0	0.23	1,550	1,550	248	41	59
9/20/05	7.0	0.16	1,770	1,770	253	58	135
10/18/05	6.0	0	1,785	1,770	224	71	137
9/27/05	6.5	0.31	2,000	1,925	211	48	139
9/20/05	7.0	0.16	2,025	1,950	253	92	141
9/6/05	6.5	0.23	2,125	1,750	205	47	98
10/4/05	5.8	0.32	2,125	1,825	212	104	128
9/15/05	6.1	0.14	2,210	2,210	216	115	159
6/1/05	6.0	0.18	2,360	2,360	NS	88	166

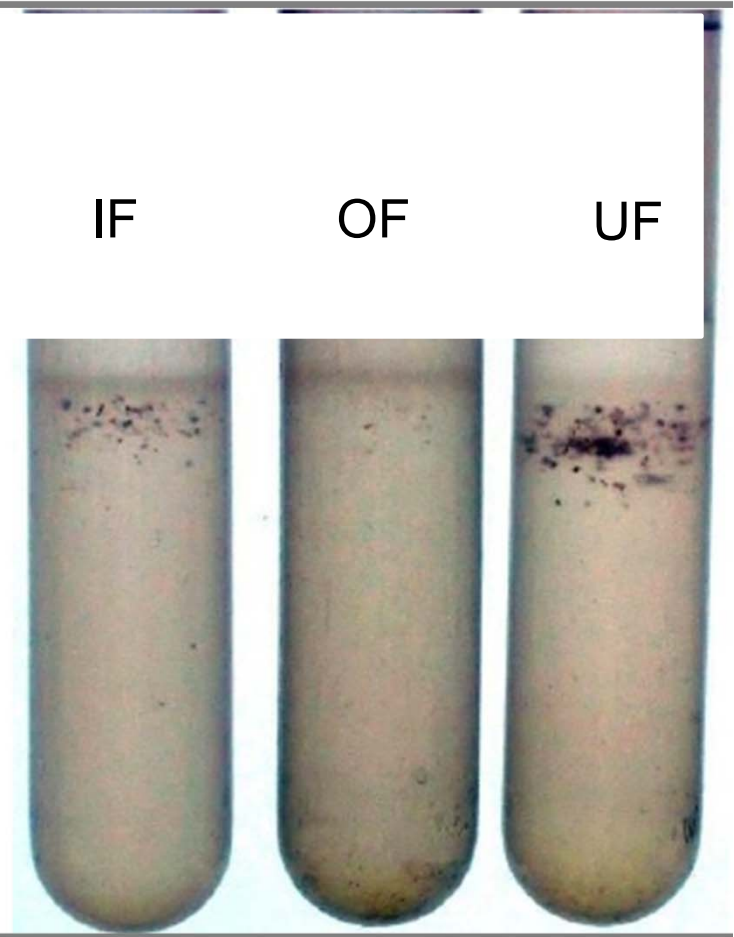
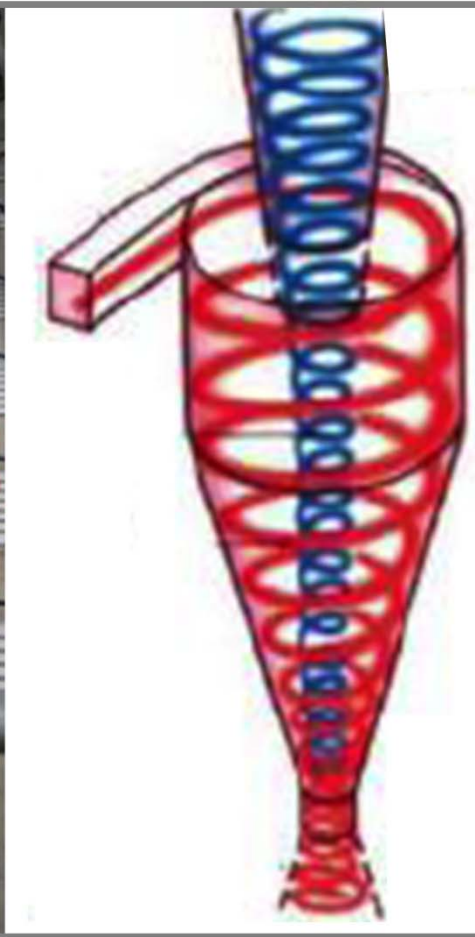


Plant Data: Results of Optimization



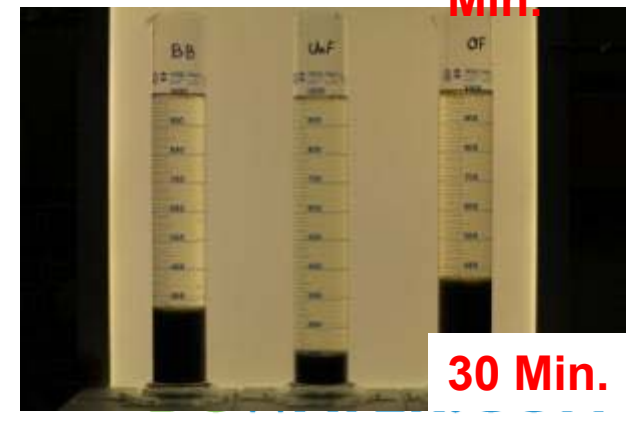
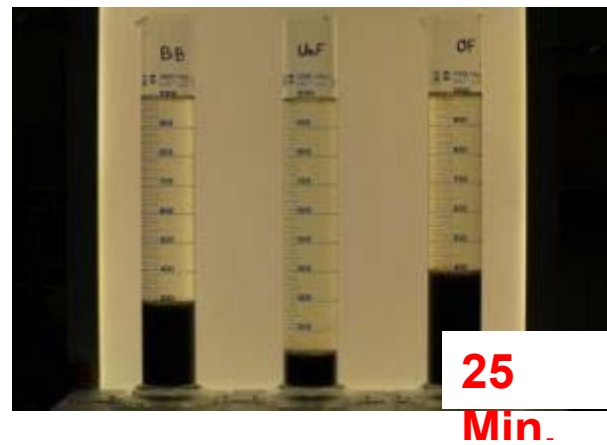
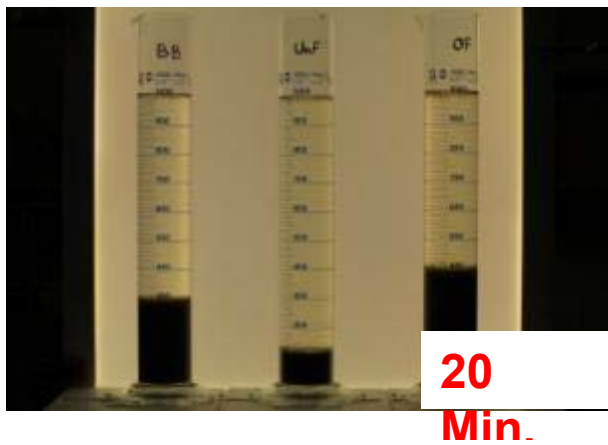
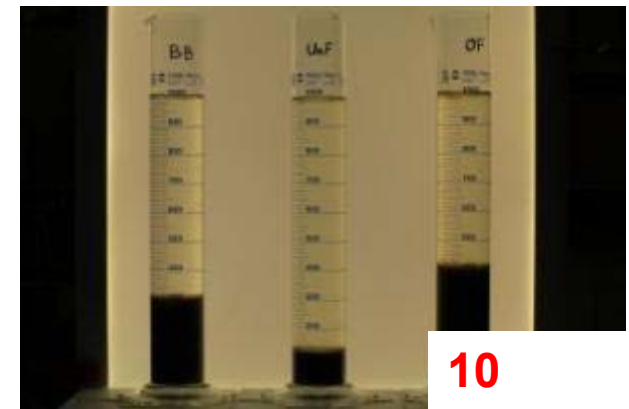
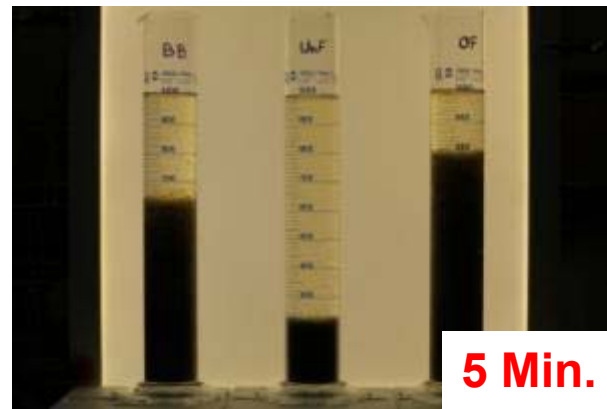
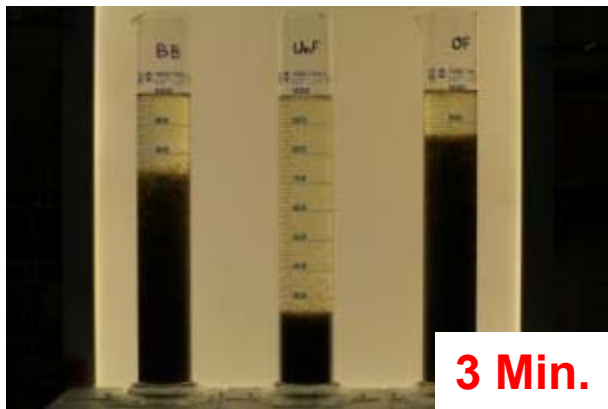
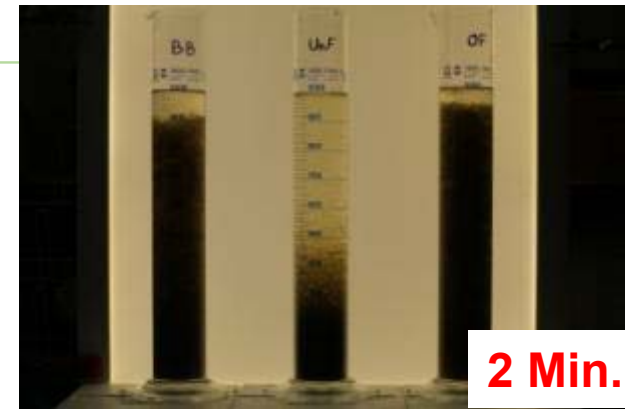
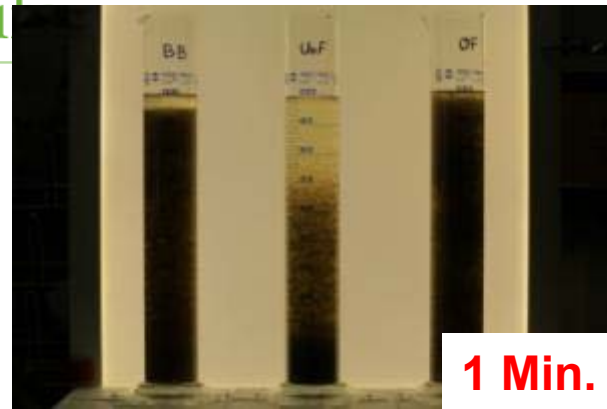
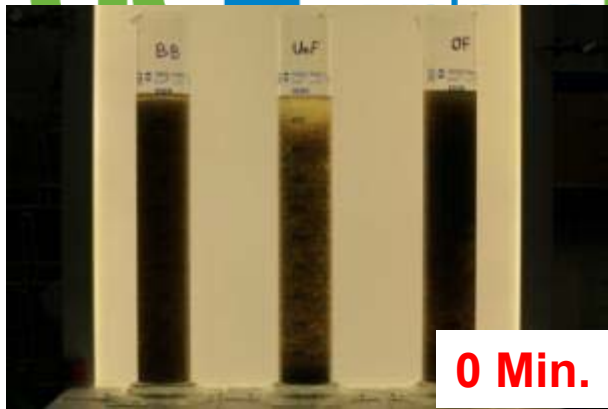
- Sedimentation (Gravitational)

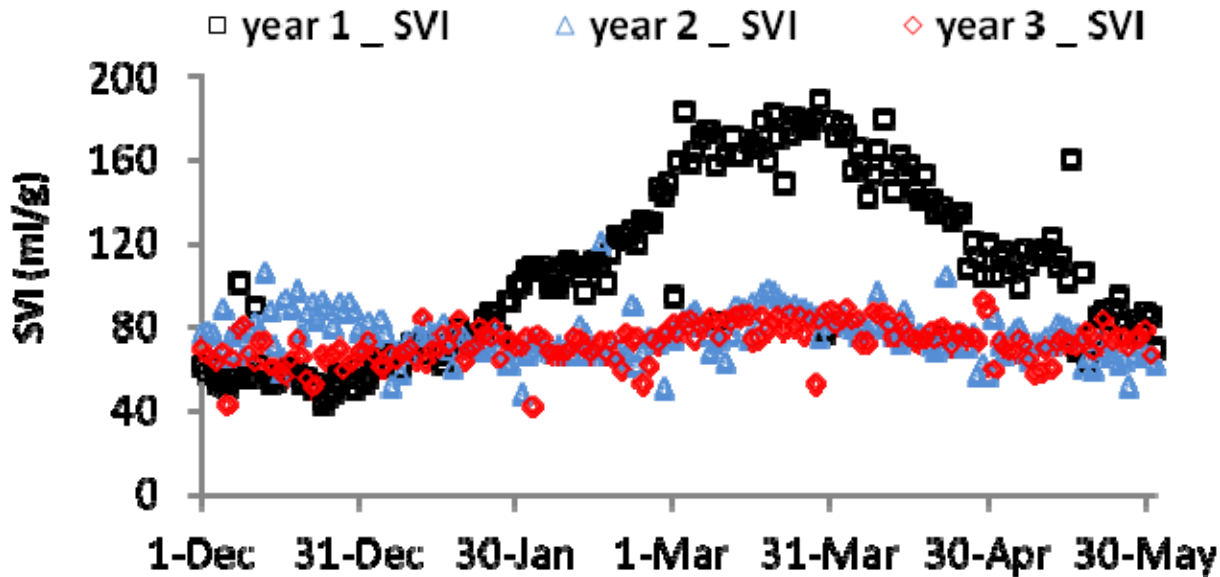




Density difference between flocculant and granular sludge fraction

Settling velocity test



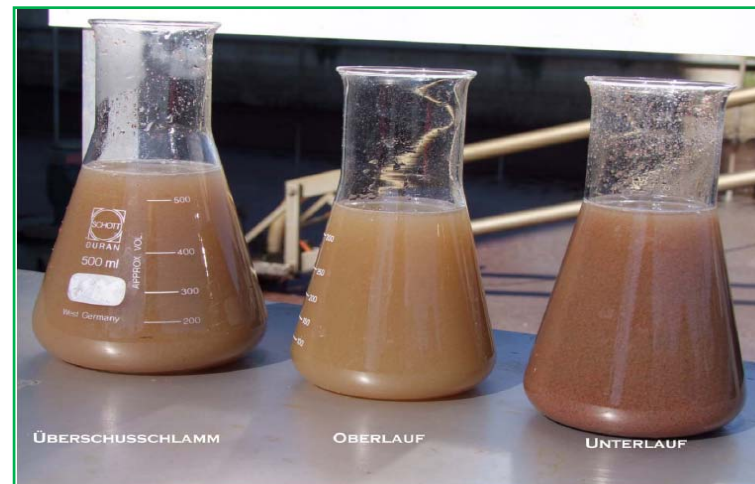


Main feature:

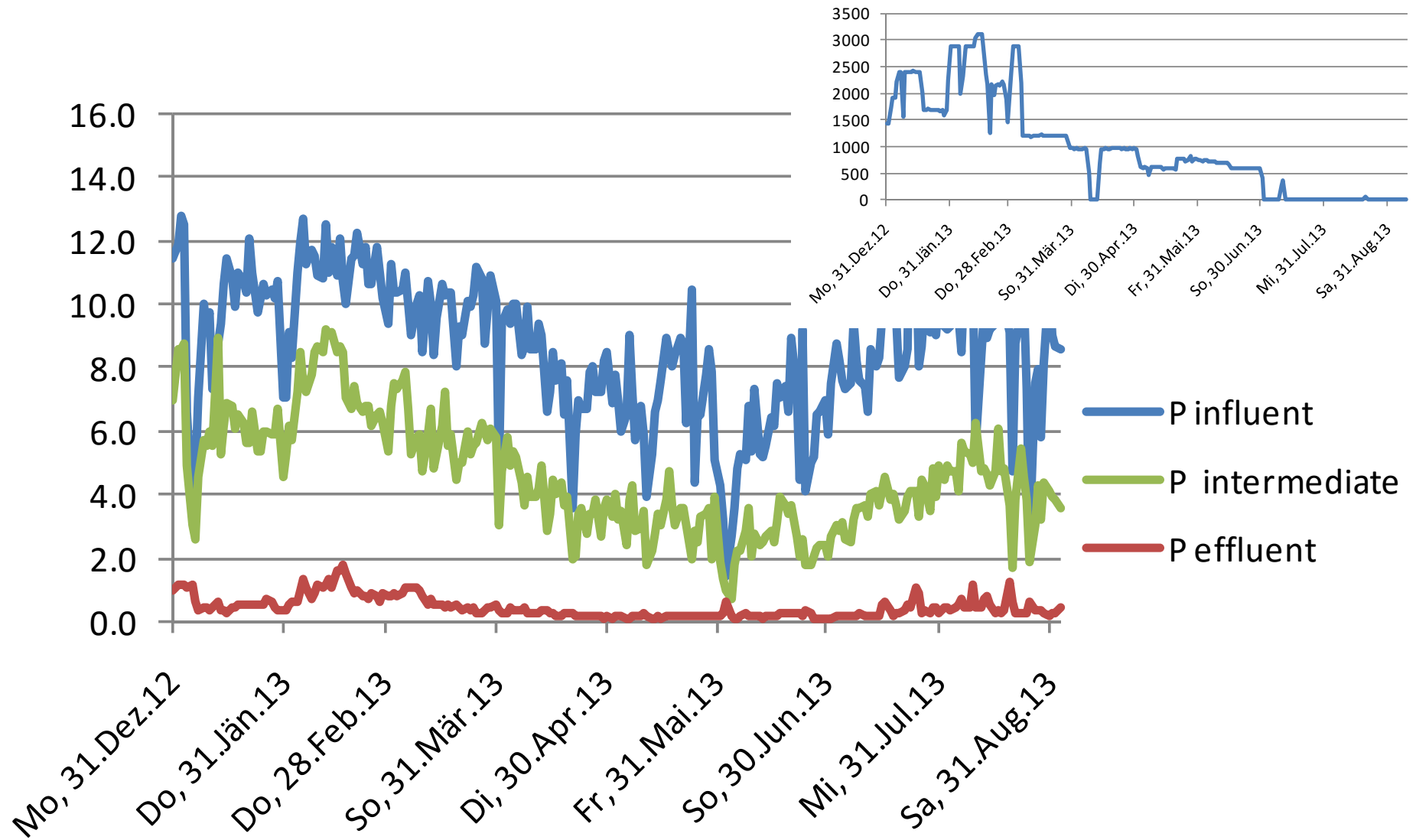
Selective retention of particles with improved settling characteristics

Main outcomes:

- Improved and stable settling behavior
- Increased capacity
- Biological phosphorous removal



NaAl-dosage to B-stage (L/d)



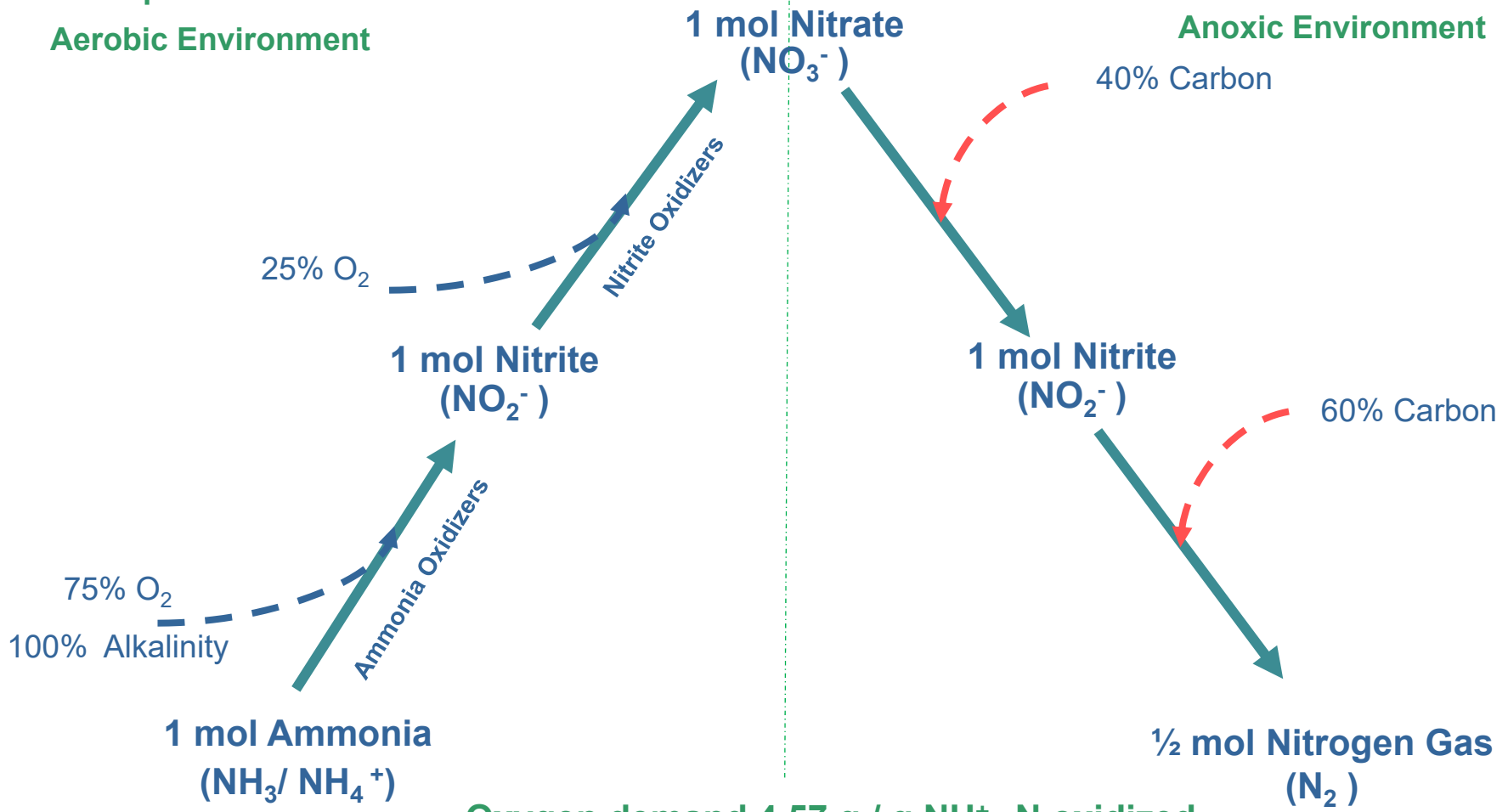
- Compressibility



Fundamentals of Nitrification - Denitrification

Autotrophic Nitrification
Aerobic Environment

Heterotrophic Denitrification
Anoxic Environment



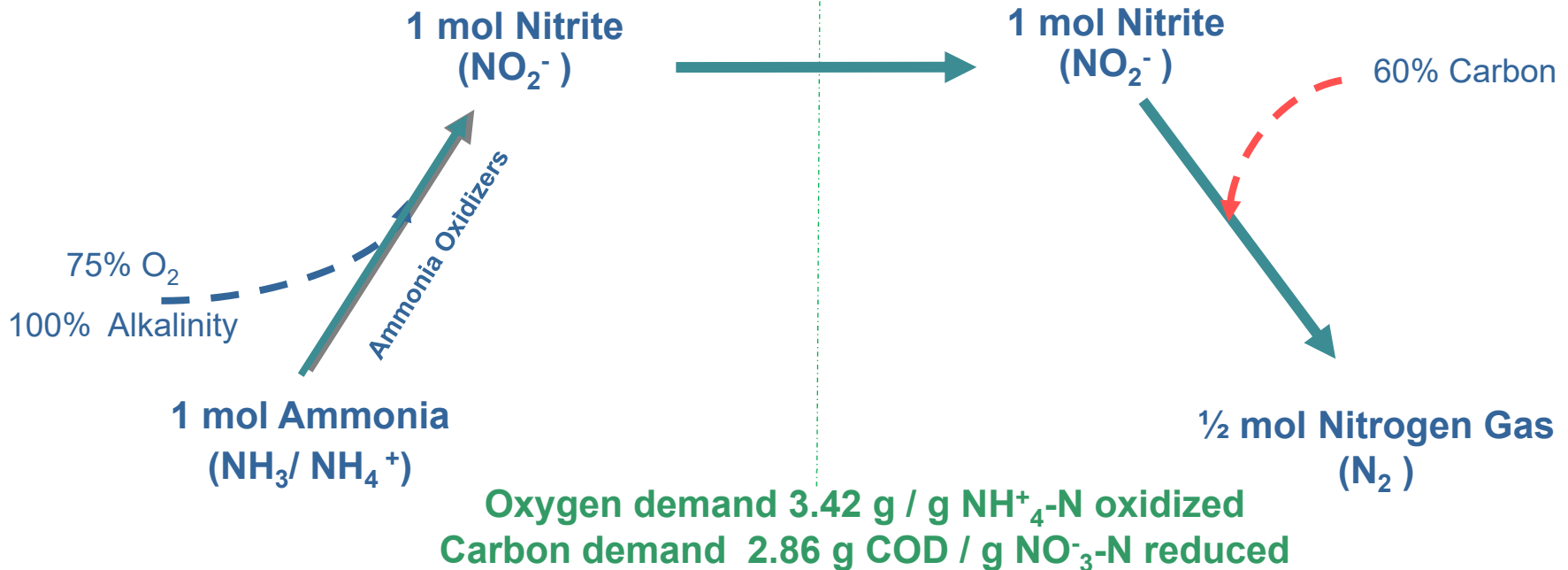
Oxygen demand 4.57 g / g $\text{NH}_4^+\text{-N}$ oxidized
Carbon demand 4.77 g COD / g $\text{NO}_3^-\text{-N}$ reduced

Fundamentals of Nitrification - Denitrification

Autotrophic Nitrification
Aerobic Environment

Heterotrophic Denitrification
Anoxic Environment

- 25% reduction in Oxygen
- 40 % reduction in Carbon demand
- 40% reduction in Biomass production

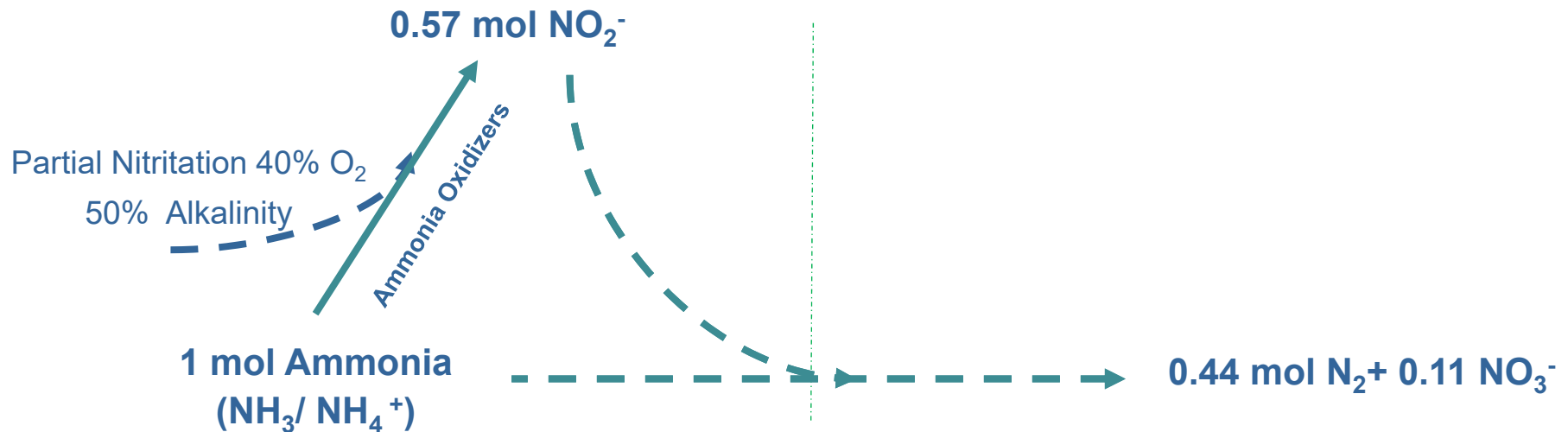


N-shortcut for enhanced energy balance

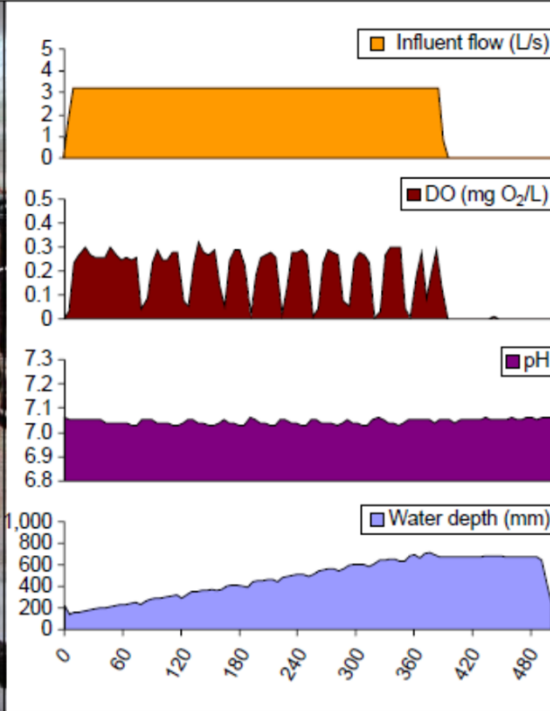
Partial Nitrification
Aerobic Environment

ANAMMOX Deammonification
Anaerobic Ammonium Oxidation Autotrophic
Nitrite Reduction
(New Planctomycete, Strous et. al. 1999)

- > 60% reduction in Oxygen
- Eliminate demand for supplemental carbon
- 50% of the alkalinity demand



Oxygen demand 1.9 g / g NH_4^+ -N oxidized



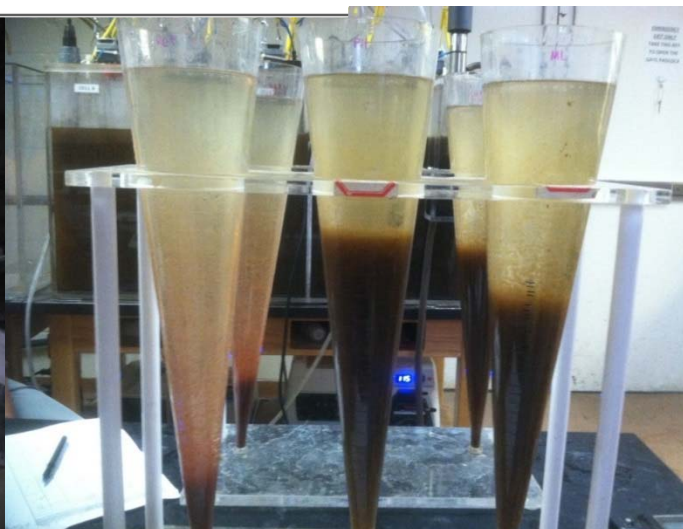
Sidestream Continuous Deammonification

Features

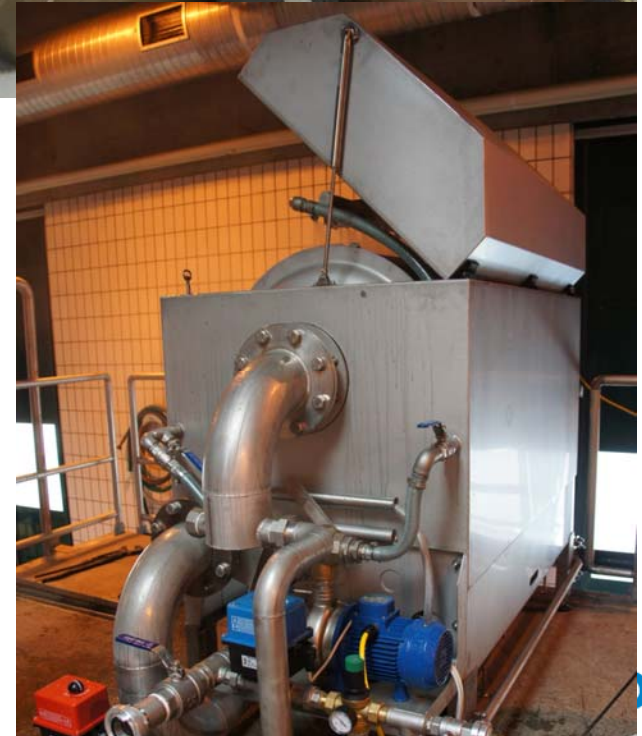
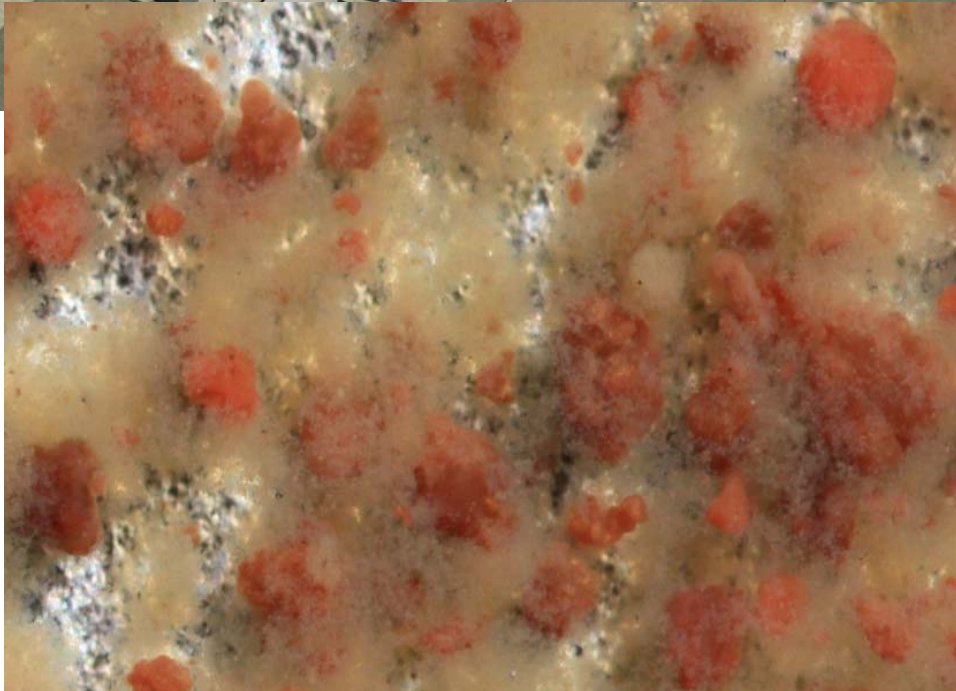
- pH based aeration control
- Screens for anammox retention

Outcome

- Anammox Selection
- Granulation



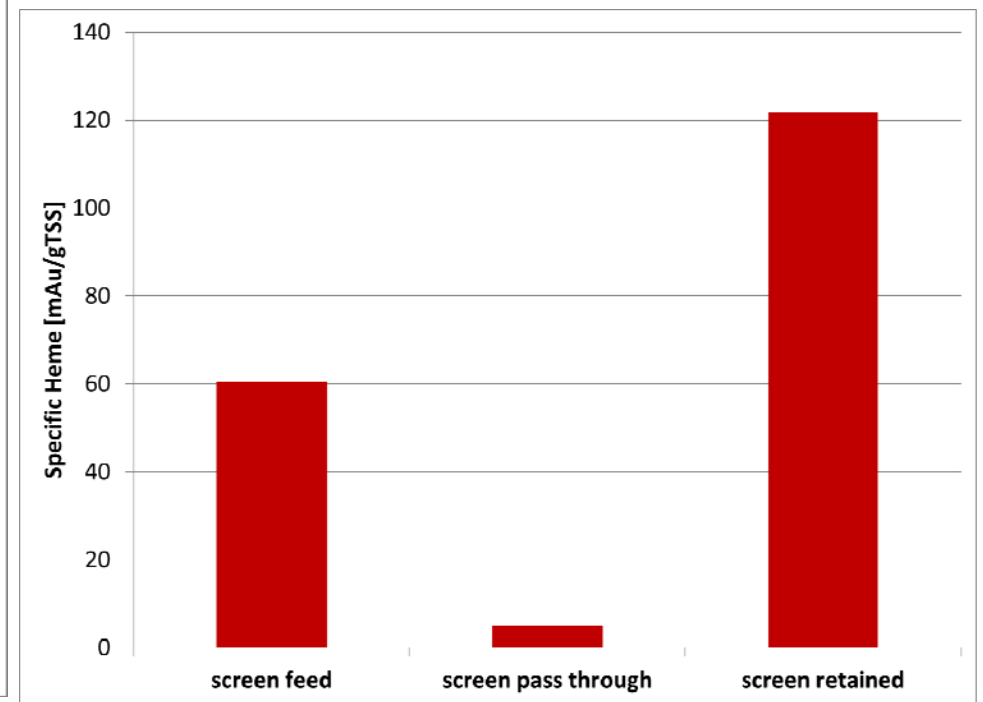
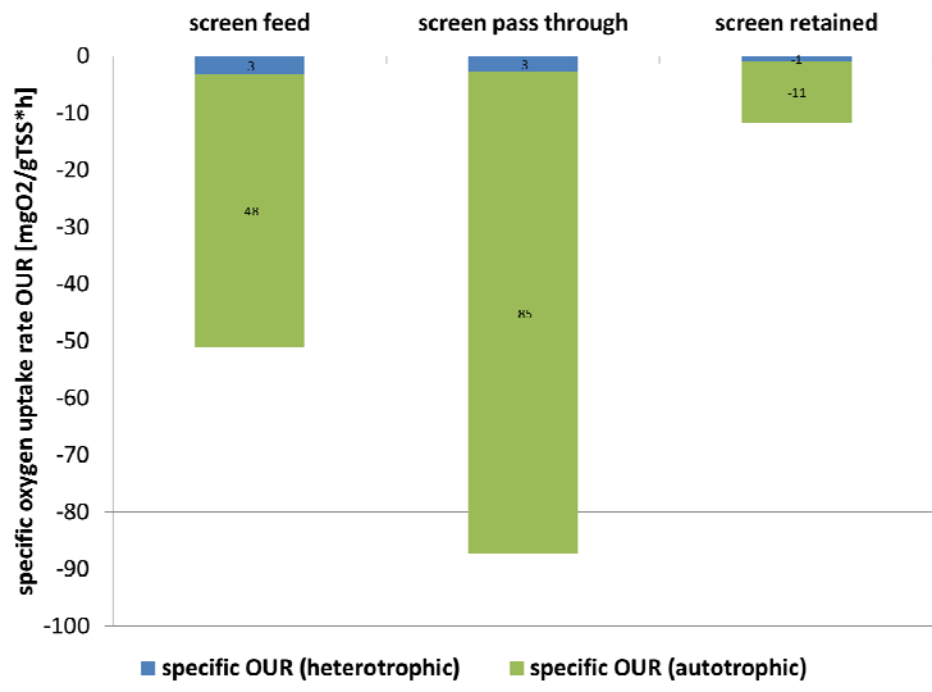
Implementation at Strass WWTP (Austria) for centrate treatment (13 others in Europe)



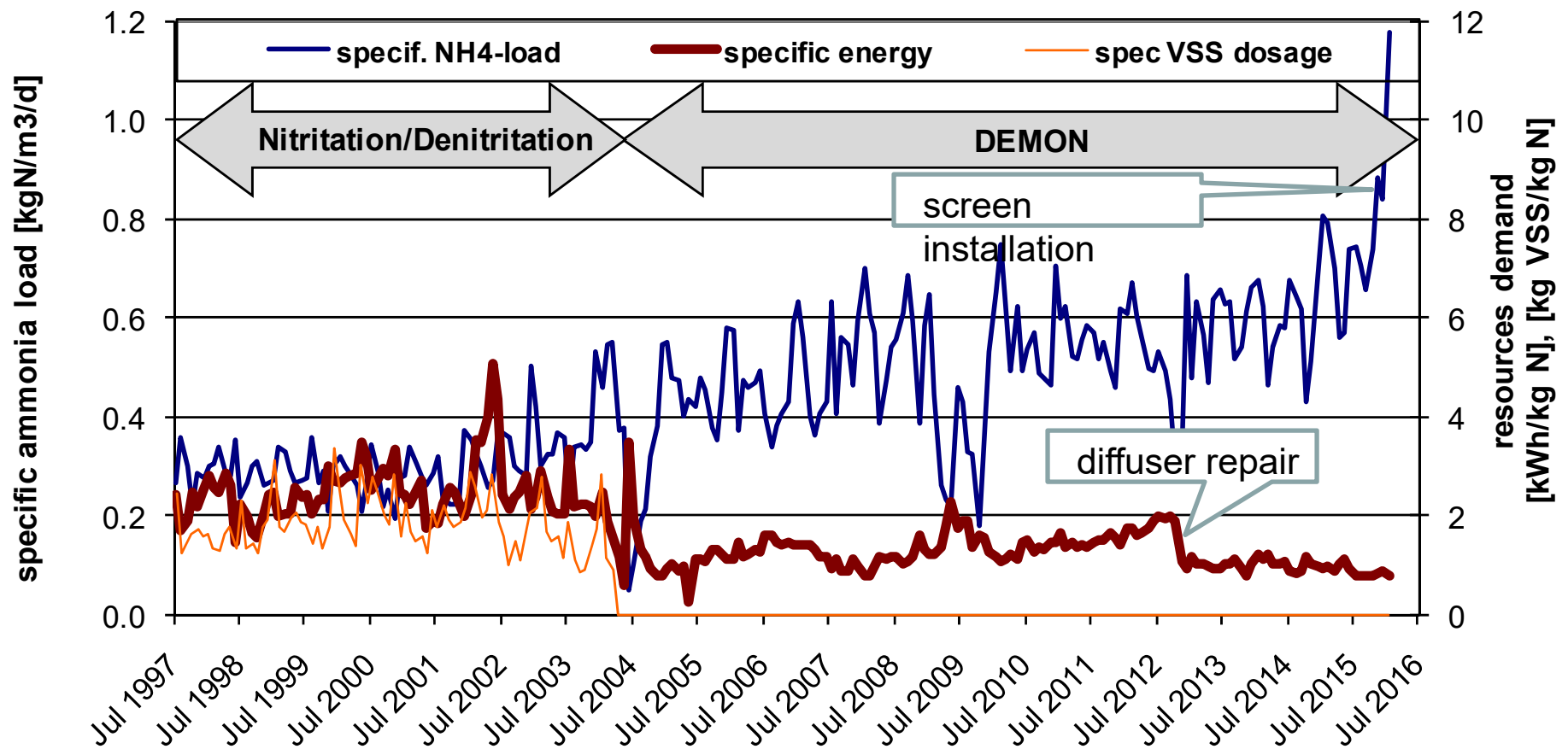


Continuous Deammonification

Screen selector: Particle size distribution

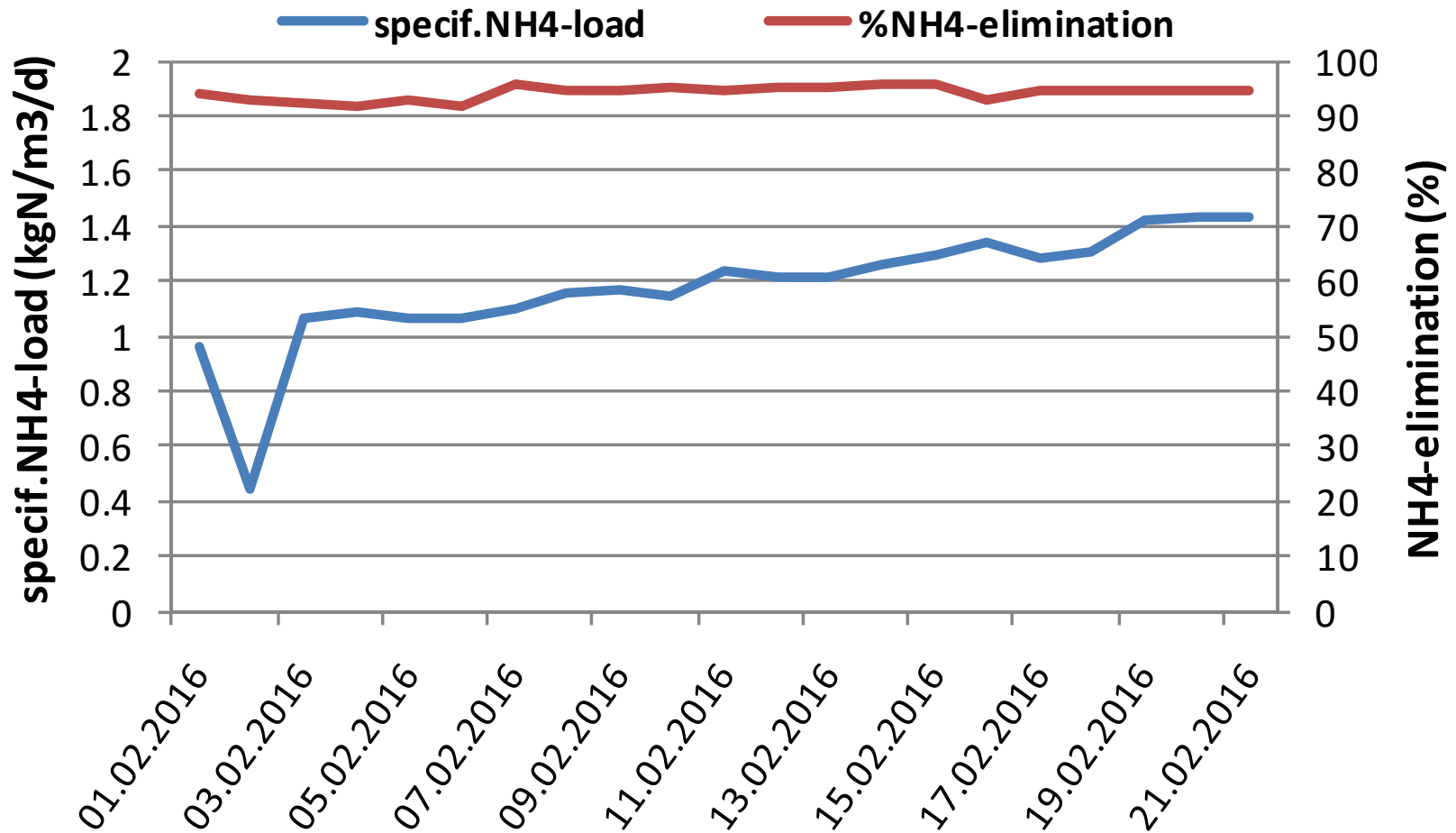


resource requirements of sidestream deammonification Strass





Continuous Deammonification

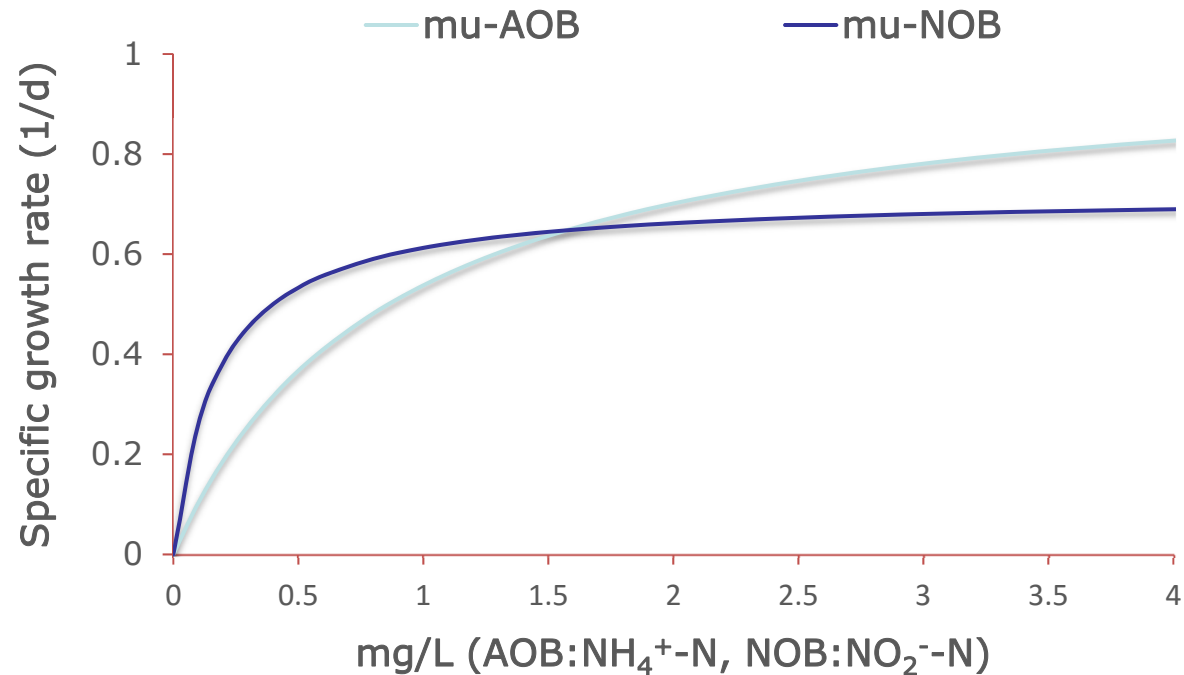


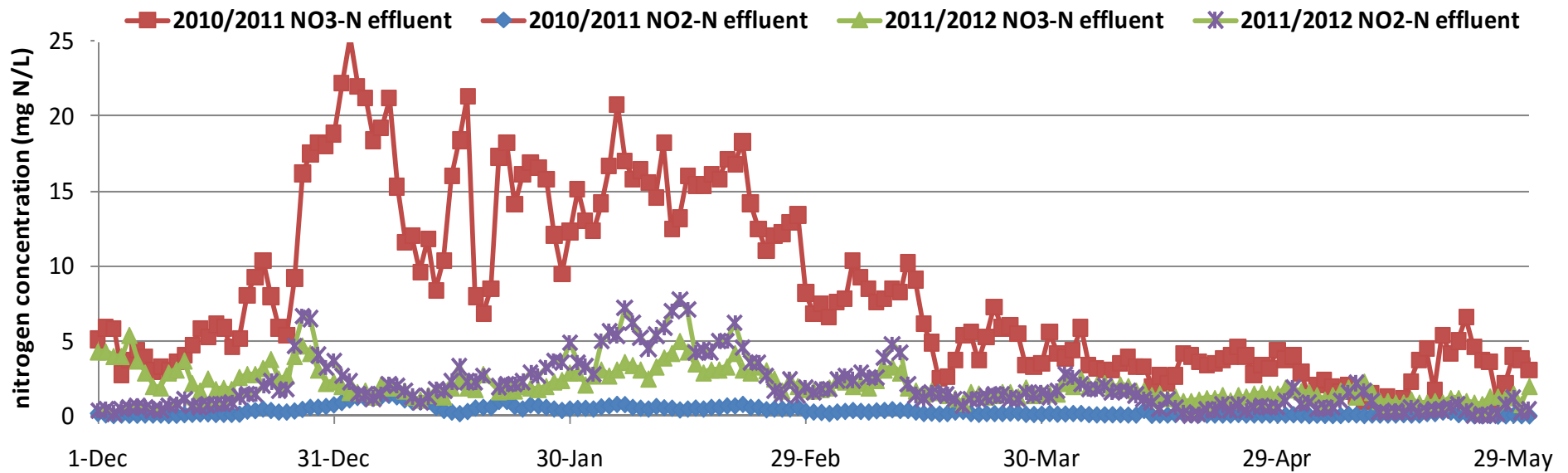
- Diffusion



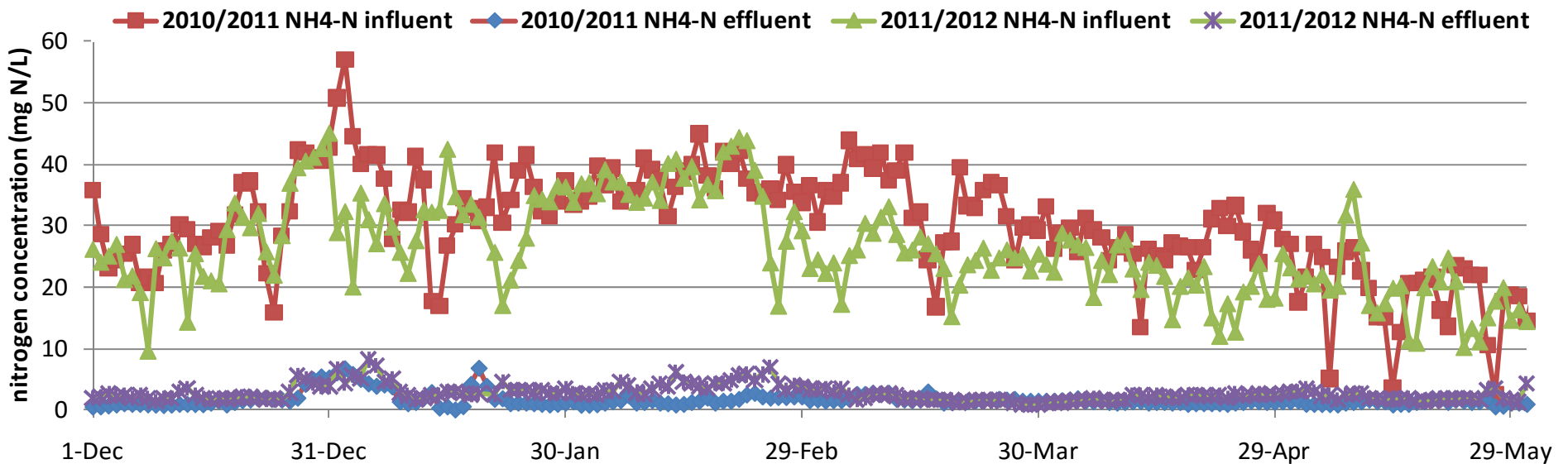
- ❑ Ammonia levels and temperature are too low for free NH_3 inhibition
- ❑ Residual ammonia allows AOB to grow closer to their maximum growth rate
- ❑ Minimize $\text{NO}_2\text{-N}$ to outselect NOB related reactions

Monod Curves for AOB and NOB



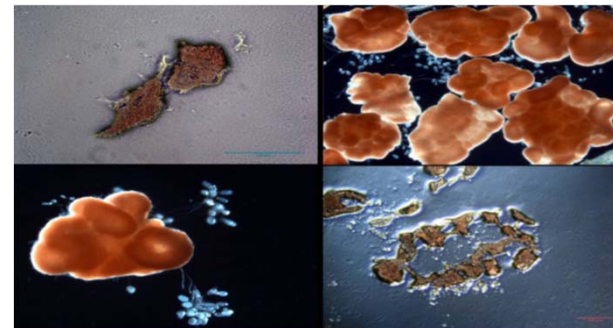
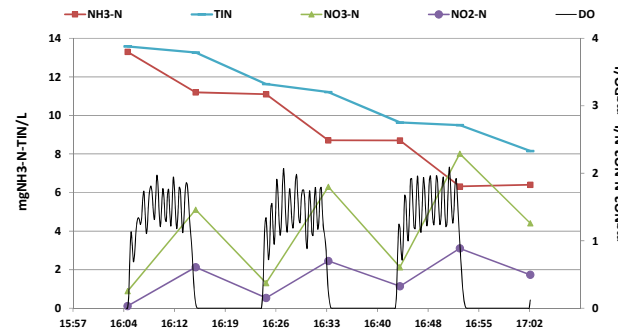
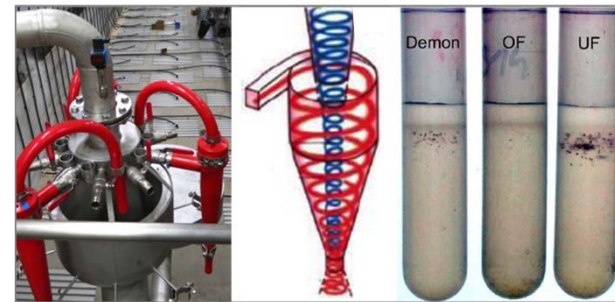


Comparison of operational data of the full-scale pilot Strass indicating advanced NOB-repression (typically high nitrate level at Christmas peak-load; similar temperature conditions of ca. 10°C , load conditions and ammonia effluent concentrations of about 2-5 mgN/L)



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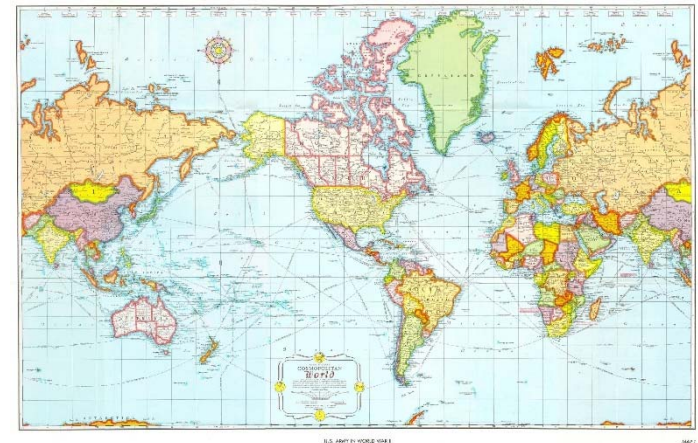
Operationalizing Innovation as a Business Process at DC Water

Commercializing Products and Services.

- Products include intellectual property
- Services include the delivery of short-term or sustained expertise associated with a product
 - Products and services are bundled to maximize efficiency for the customer and revenue potential for DC Water.

Operationalizing Innovation as a Business Process at DC Water

- Develop MOUs
- Joint Development Agreements
- Joint Commercialization Agreements
- Franchise approach for products and services (concept design, design review, commissioning and startup, ESCOs)
 - North America
 - Europe
 - China
 - India





Open Innovation Team

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