

Sanitation Systems and Technologies

Part 2 : Treatment, Disposal and Resource Recovery



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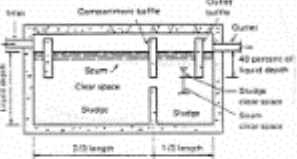
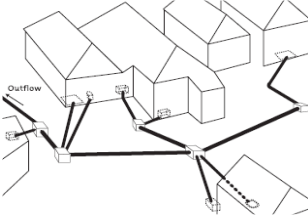
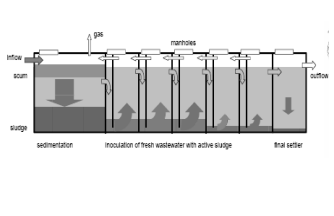
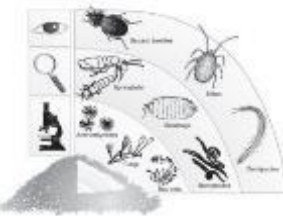


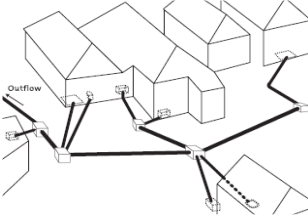
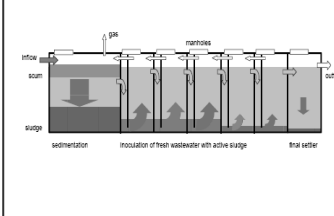
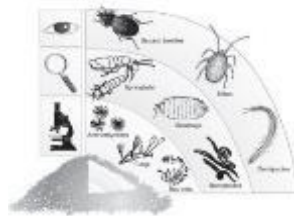
Rules of the game

- Put on your **creative** hats and your **logical** hats
- Answer each question – group discussion allowed
- Incentives for **Correct** answers or **Funny** answers



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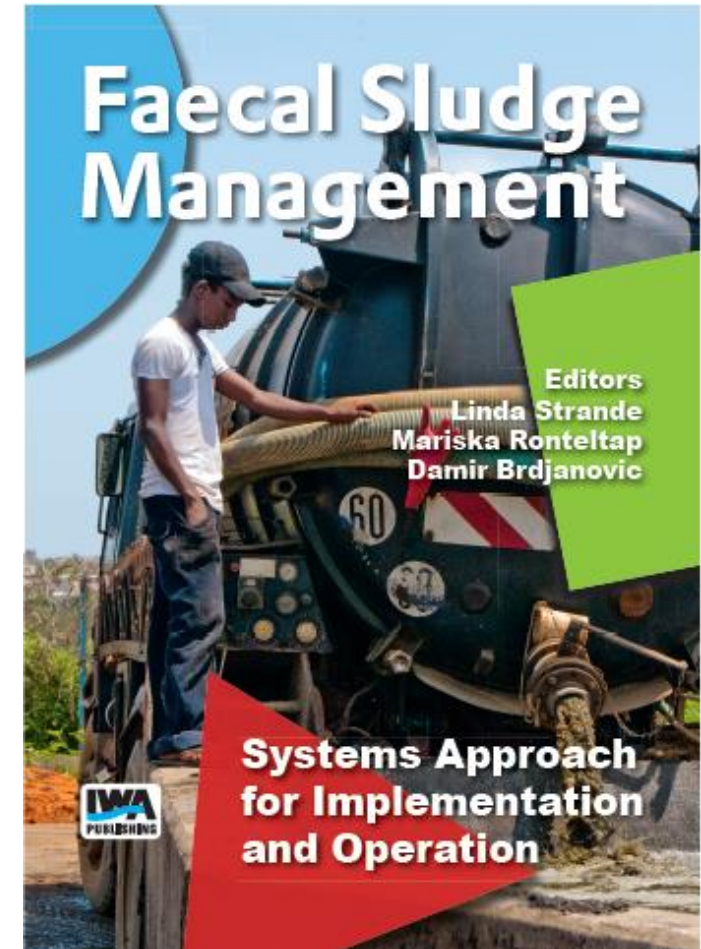
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Learning objectives



- Understand and describe the difference between faecal sludge, wastewater and excreta
- Explain the Engineering Design Approach for faecal sludge management
- Be familiar with resource recovery products and treatment technologies associated with them
- Explain the treatment objectives of faecal sludge treatment and link them to treatment technologies.



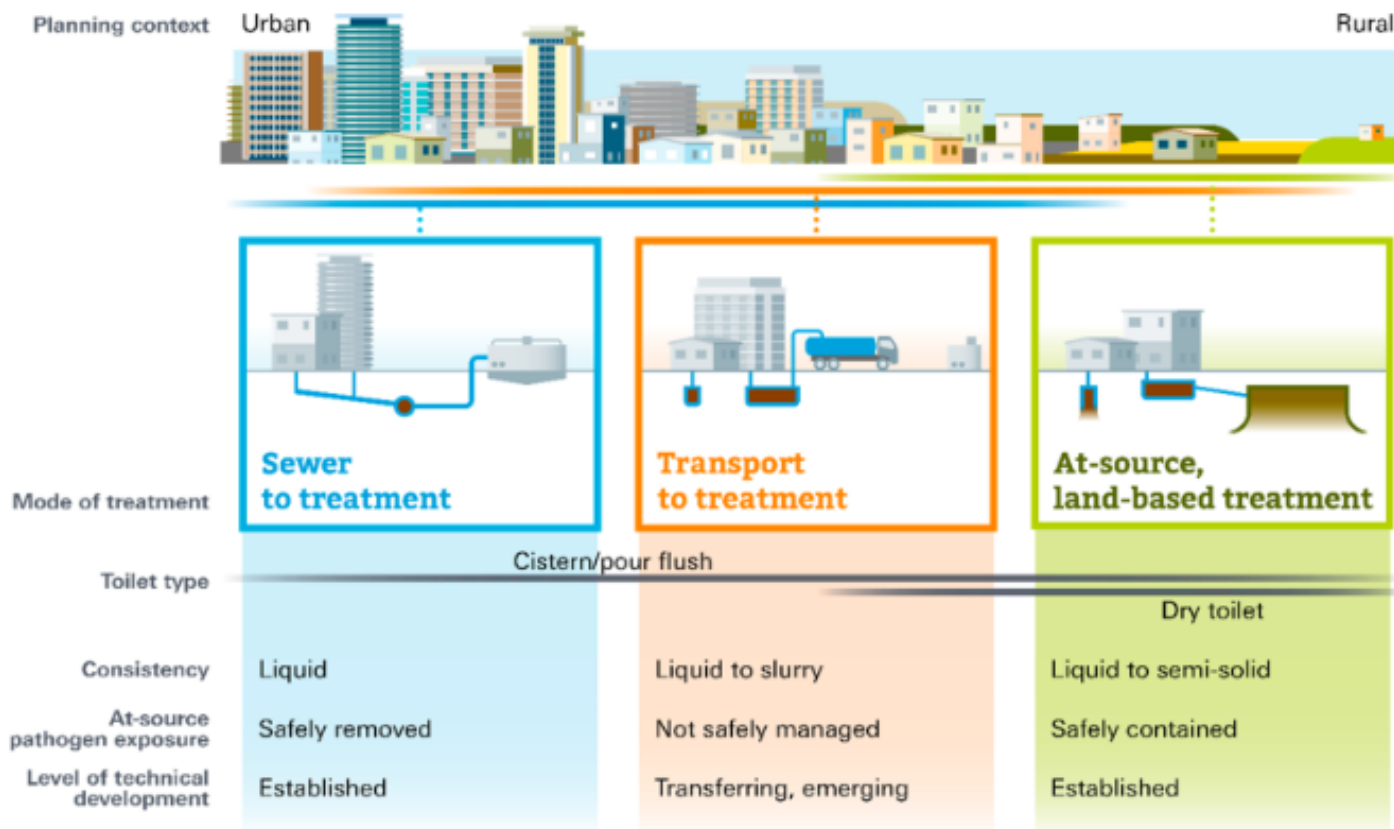
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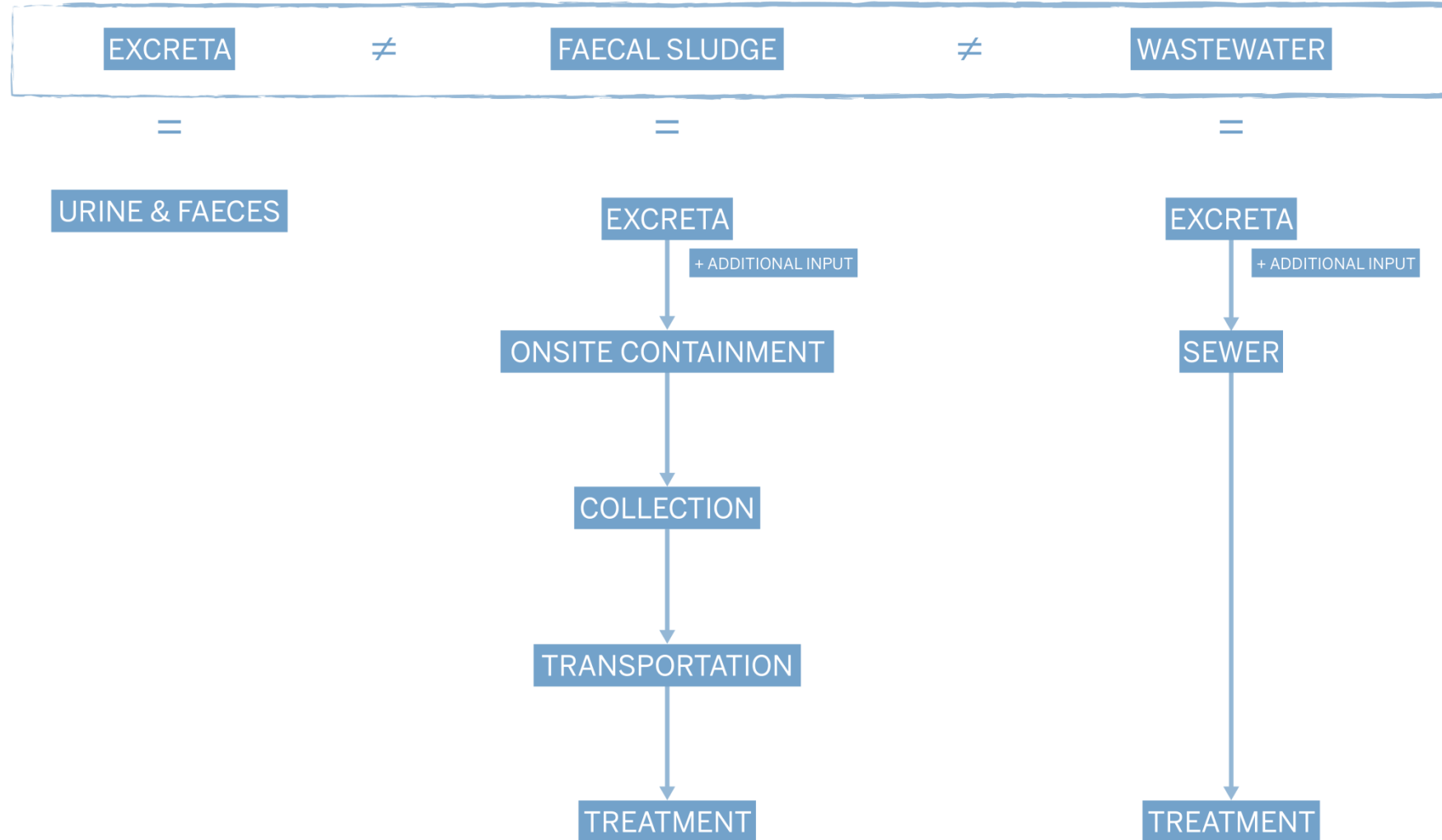
Urban Sanitation: New Terminology for Globally Relevant Solutions?

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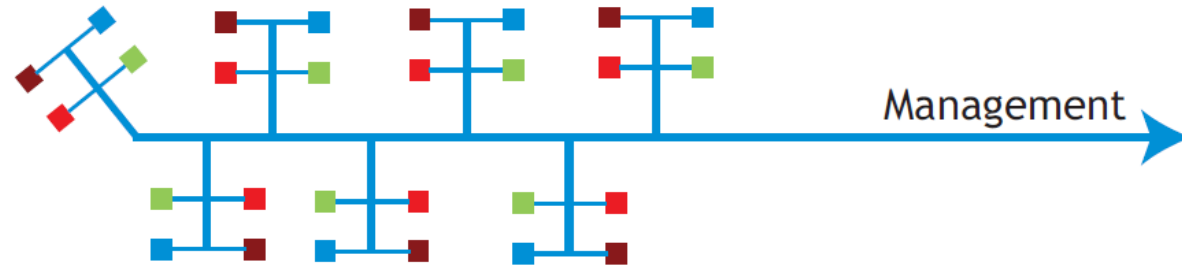


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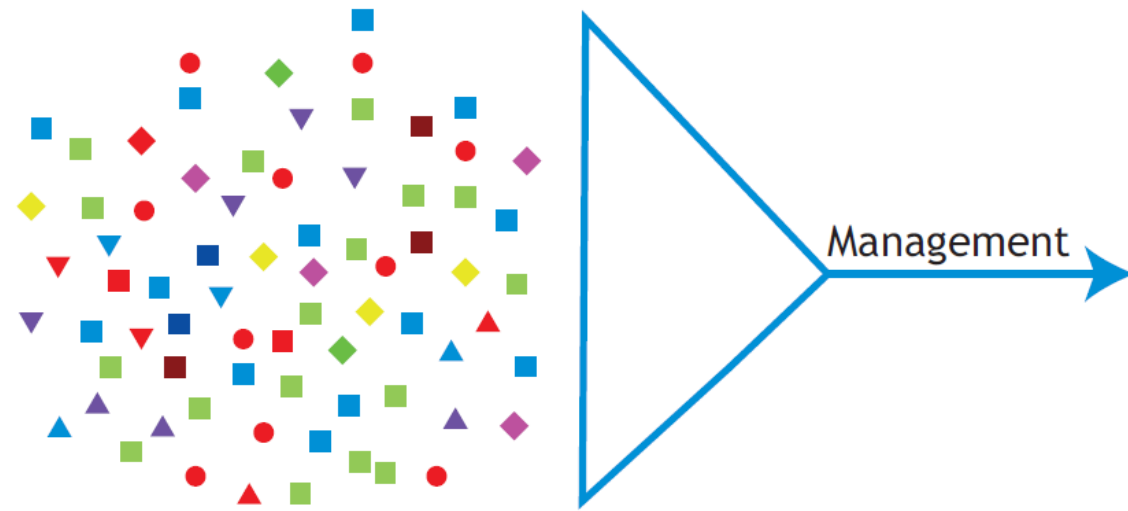


Wastewater versus faecal sludge

Wastewater

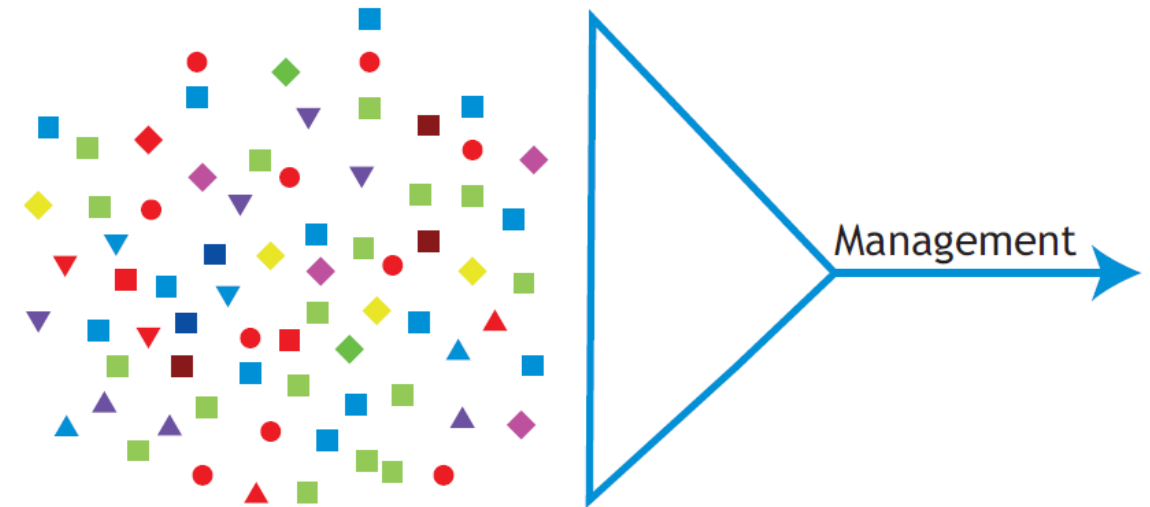


Faecal sludge

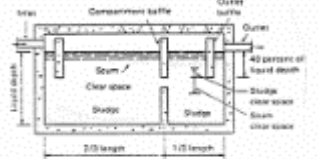
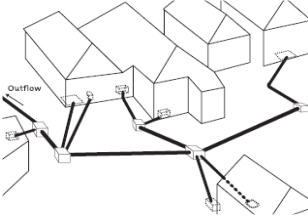
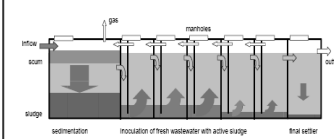
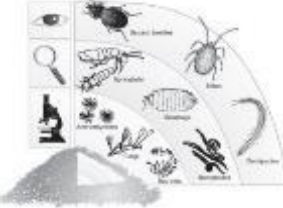


Quantities and Qualities are highly variable

- Unknown information:
 - Collection & storage technology
 - Number of users connected
 - Time stored before arriving to treatment
- No homogenization during transport, as occurs in sewer systems. Sludge arrives batch-wise
- Varying infiltration rates – changing water content in faecal sludge
- Amount of greywater
- Emptying method
- Climate
- Other solid wastes



Treatment Technologies

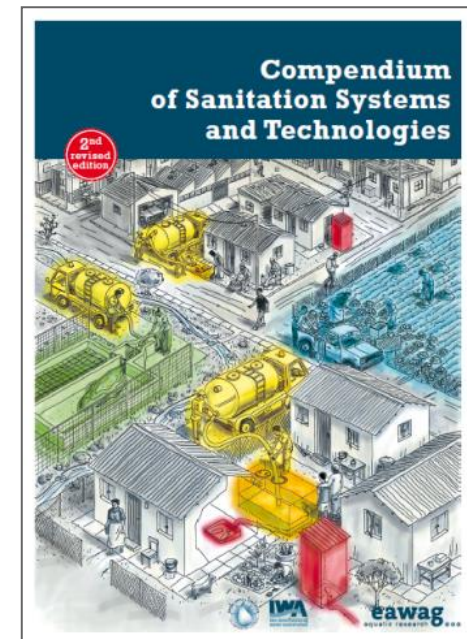
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For Wastewater

- T.1 Settler
- T.2 Imhoff Tank
- T.3 Anaerobic Baffled Reactor (ABR)
- T.4 Anaerobic Filter
- T.5 Waste Stabilization Ponds (WSP)
- T.6 Aerated Pond
- T.7 Free-Water Surface Constructed Wetland
- T.8 Horizontal Subsurface Flow constructed Wetland
- T.9 Vertical Flow constructed Wetland
- T.10 Trickling filter
- T.11 Upflow Anaerobic Sludge blanket Reactor (UASB)
- T.12 Activated Sludge

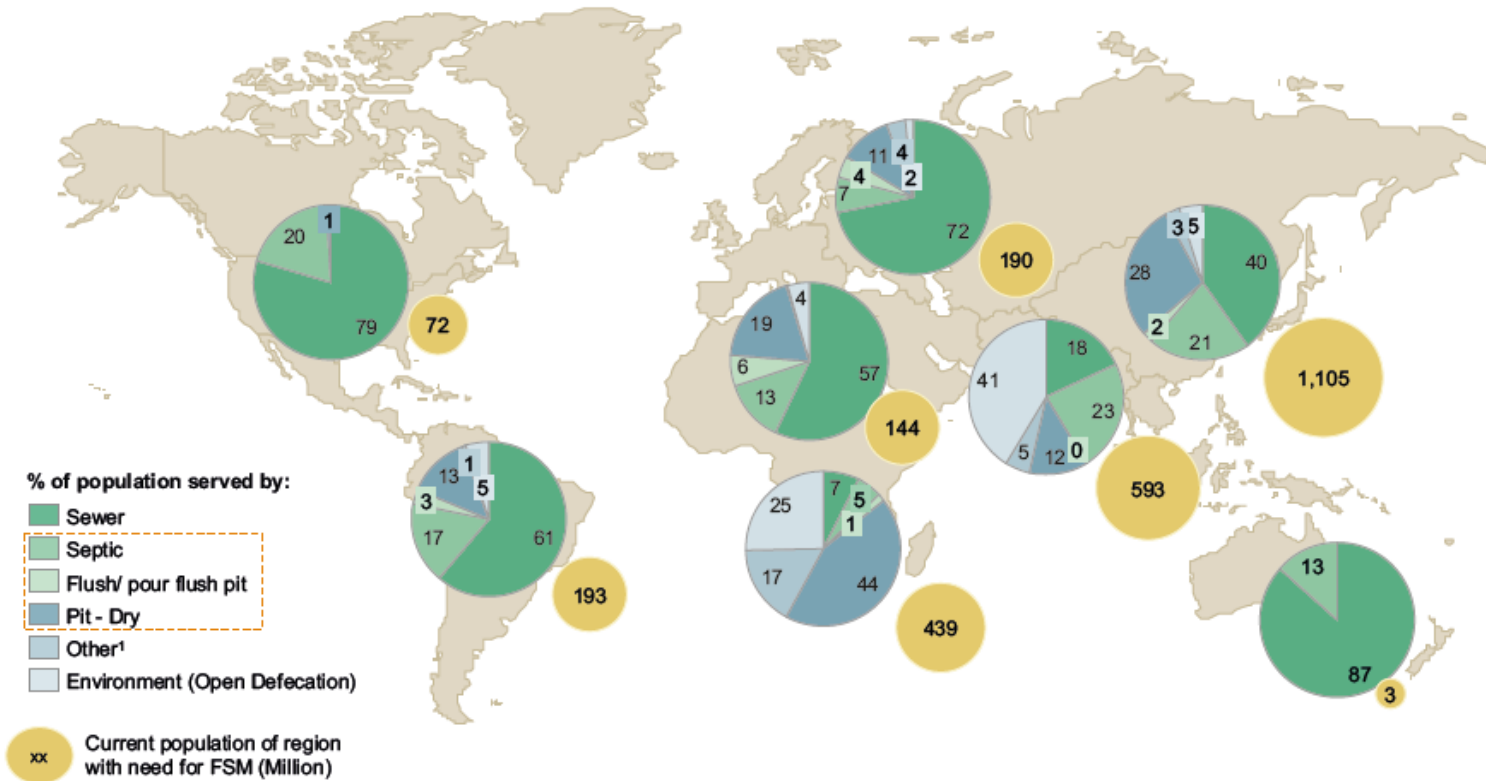
For Fecal Sludge

- T.13 Sedimentations / Thickening Ponds
- T.14 Unplanted Drying Beds
- T.15 Planted Drying Beds
- T.16 Co-composting
- T.17 Biogas Reactor



Global relevance?

- Sanitation needs of 2.7 billion people worldwide are met by **onsite technologies**.
- Majority of onsite systems are not safely managed (61–72% in Africa, 62–68% in LAC, 100% in SE Asia, and 5–100% in W. Pacific)



Source: UN JMP sanitation data, BCG analysis

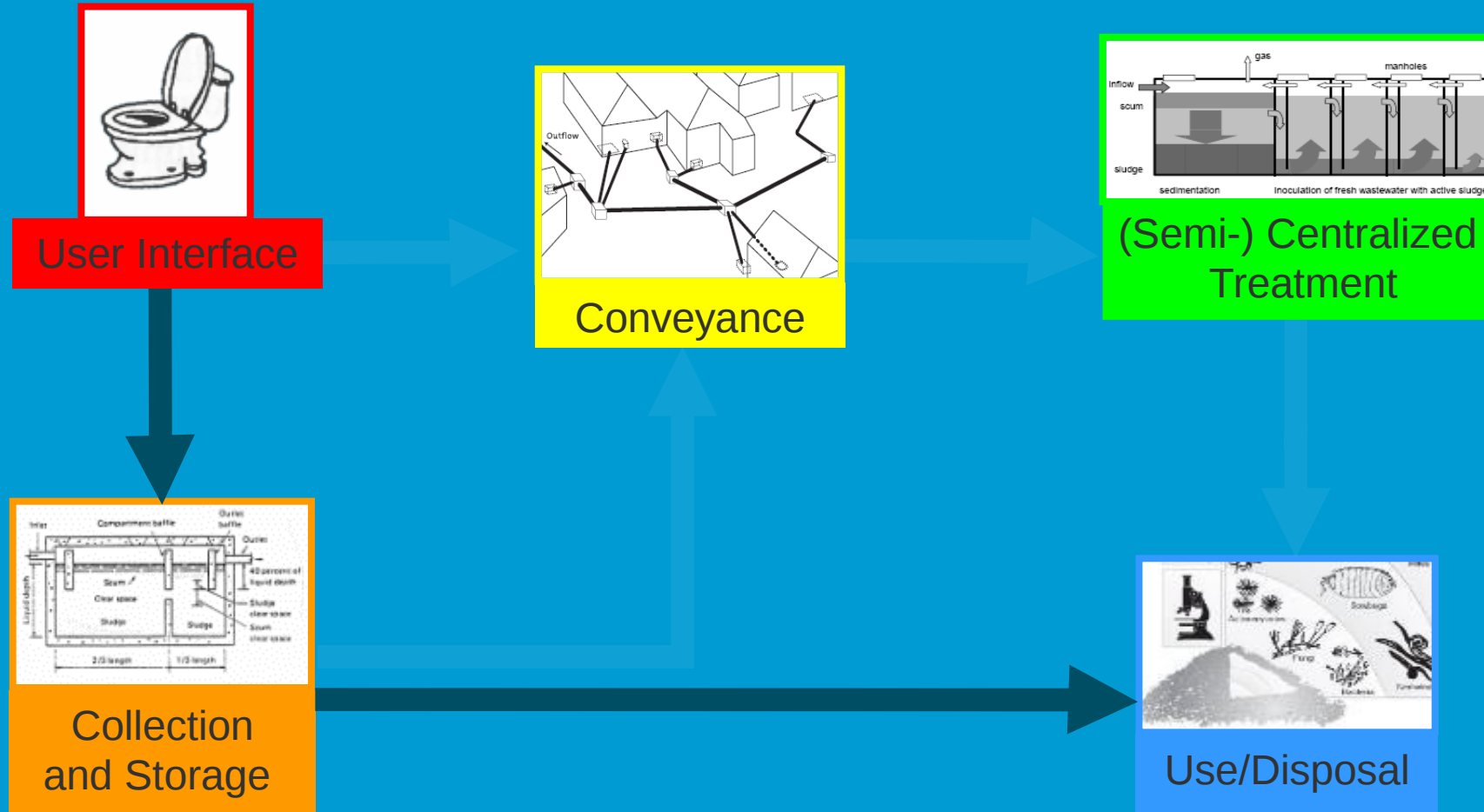
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Challenges pushing towards decentralized solutions:

- Rapid urbanization & densification
- Expenses
- Resource Recovery

What happens when decentralized systems are not managed properly?



This shit is not working...



Yaoundé Cameroon

What happens when the pits are full?



Dakar, Senegal



Accra, Ghana



Yaoundé, Cameroon

Septic tank (Dakar, Senegal)



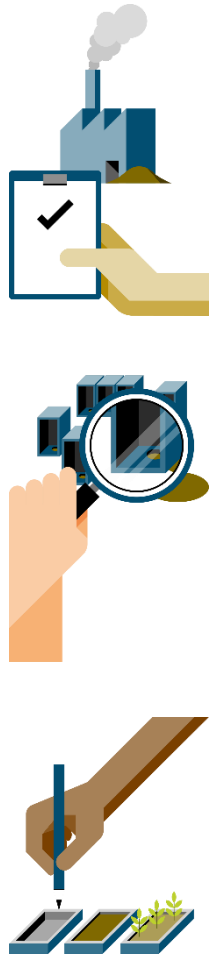
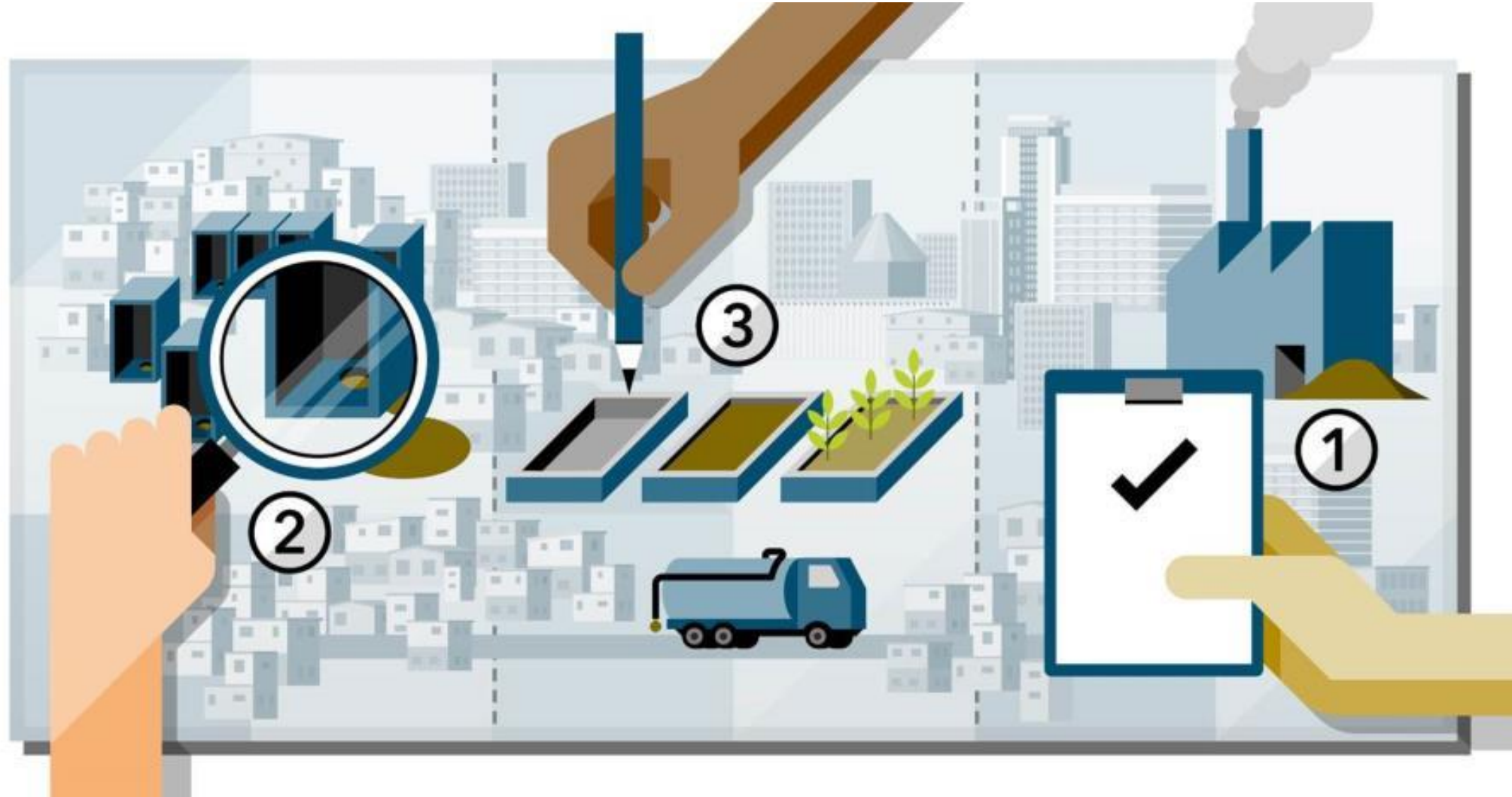
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Urine diverting dry toilet (Durban, South Africa)

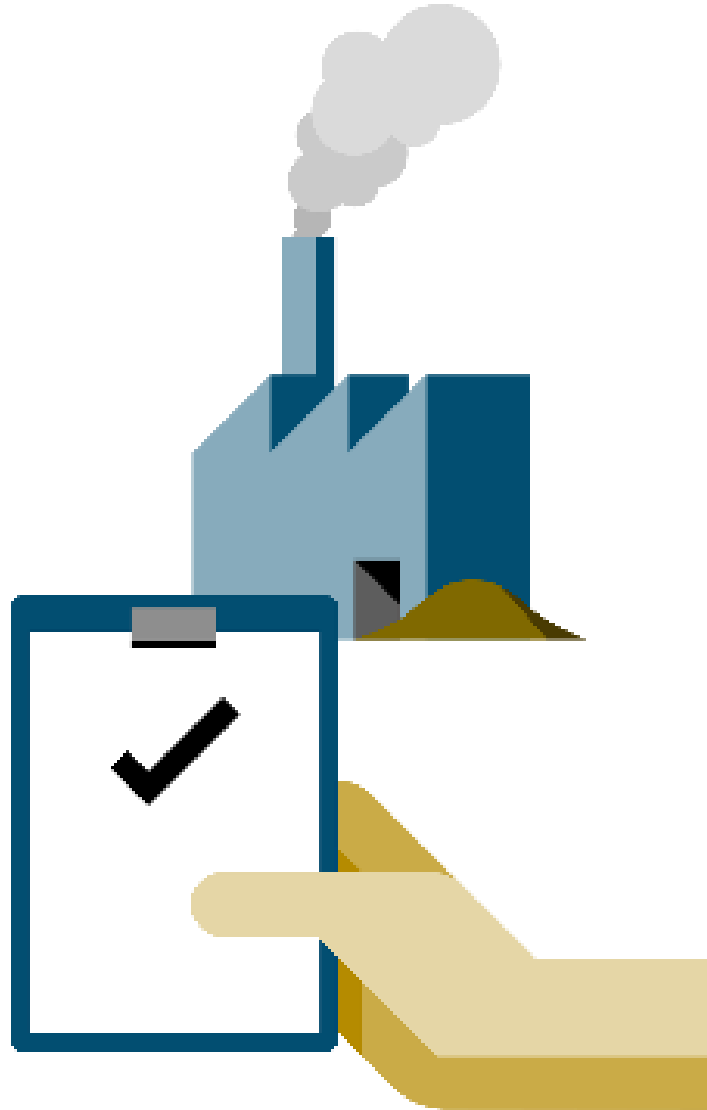


Engineering Design Approach



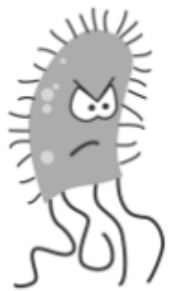
Engineering Design Approach

Step 1: Treatment objectives & Resource Recovery



Treatment Objectives Activity

PATHOGENS



**ORGANIC
MATERIAL**



NUTRIENTS

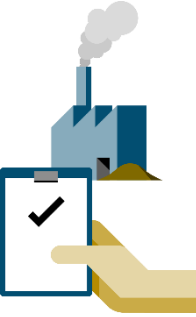
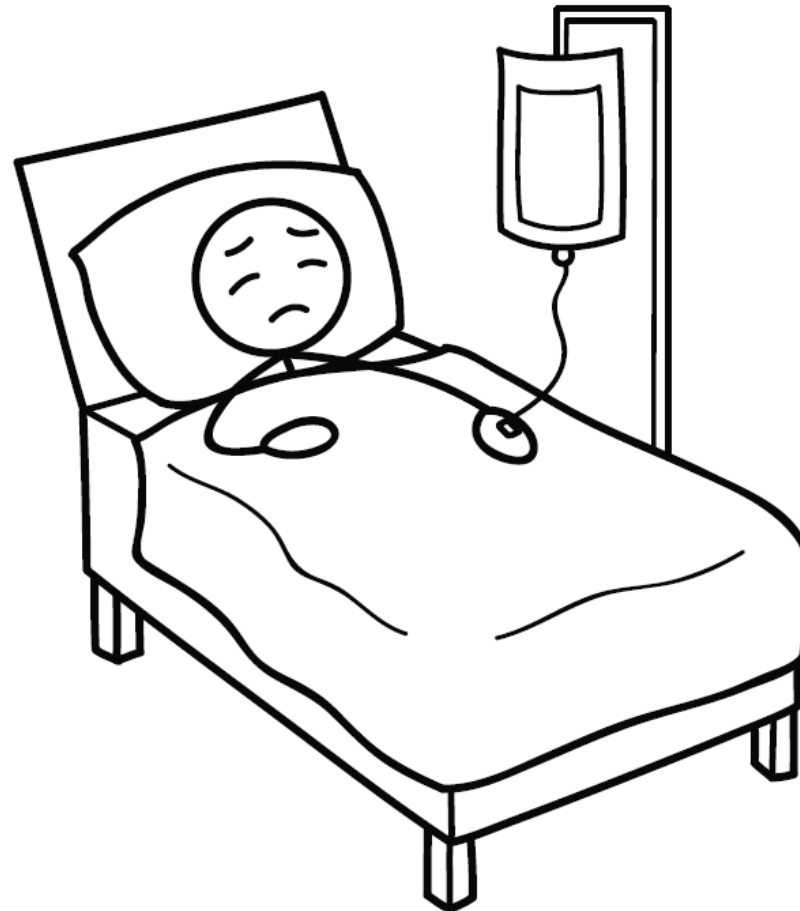


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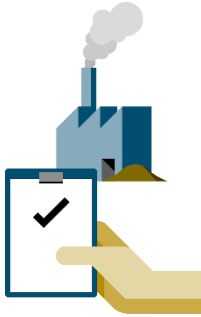
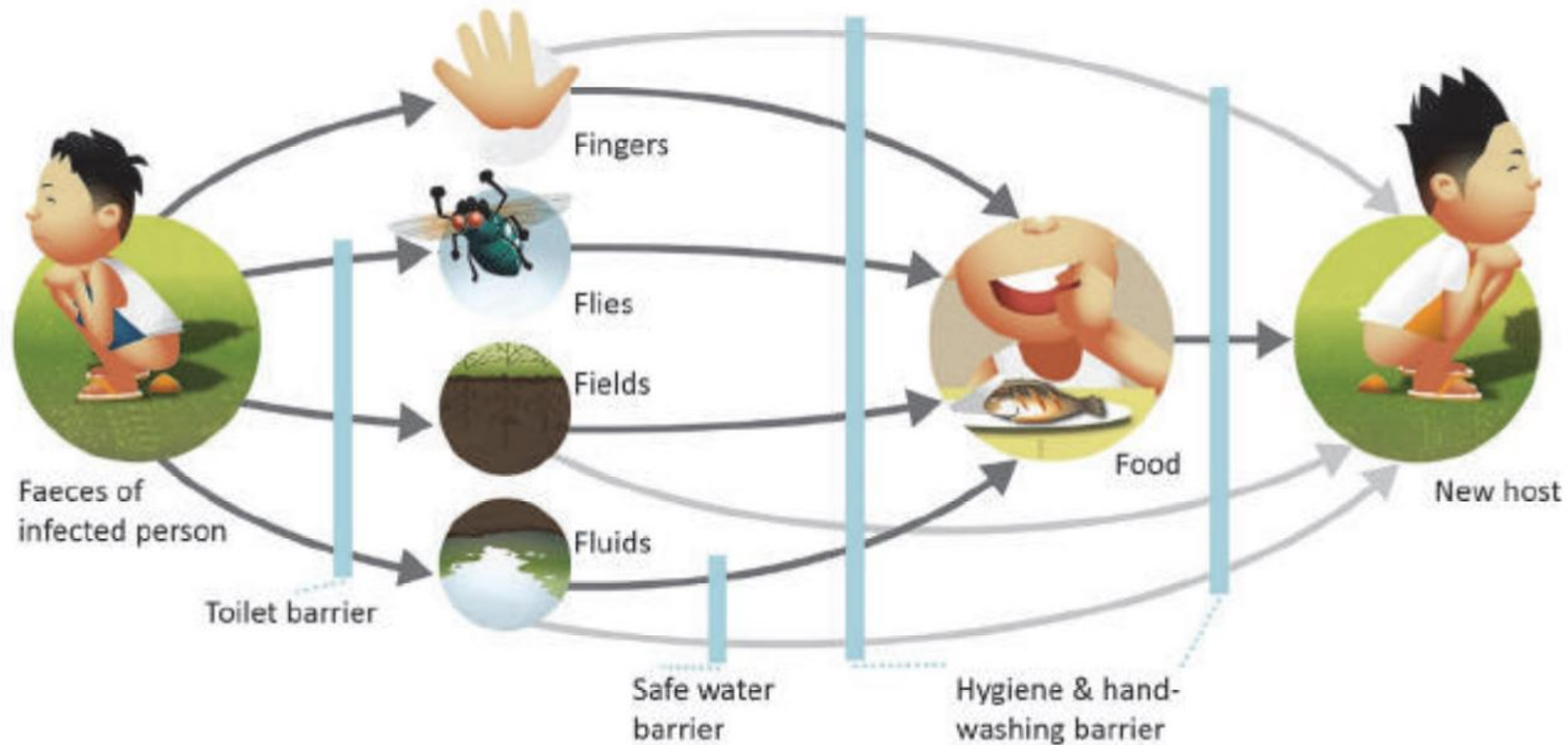
Treatment objectives

What component will make people sick?



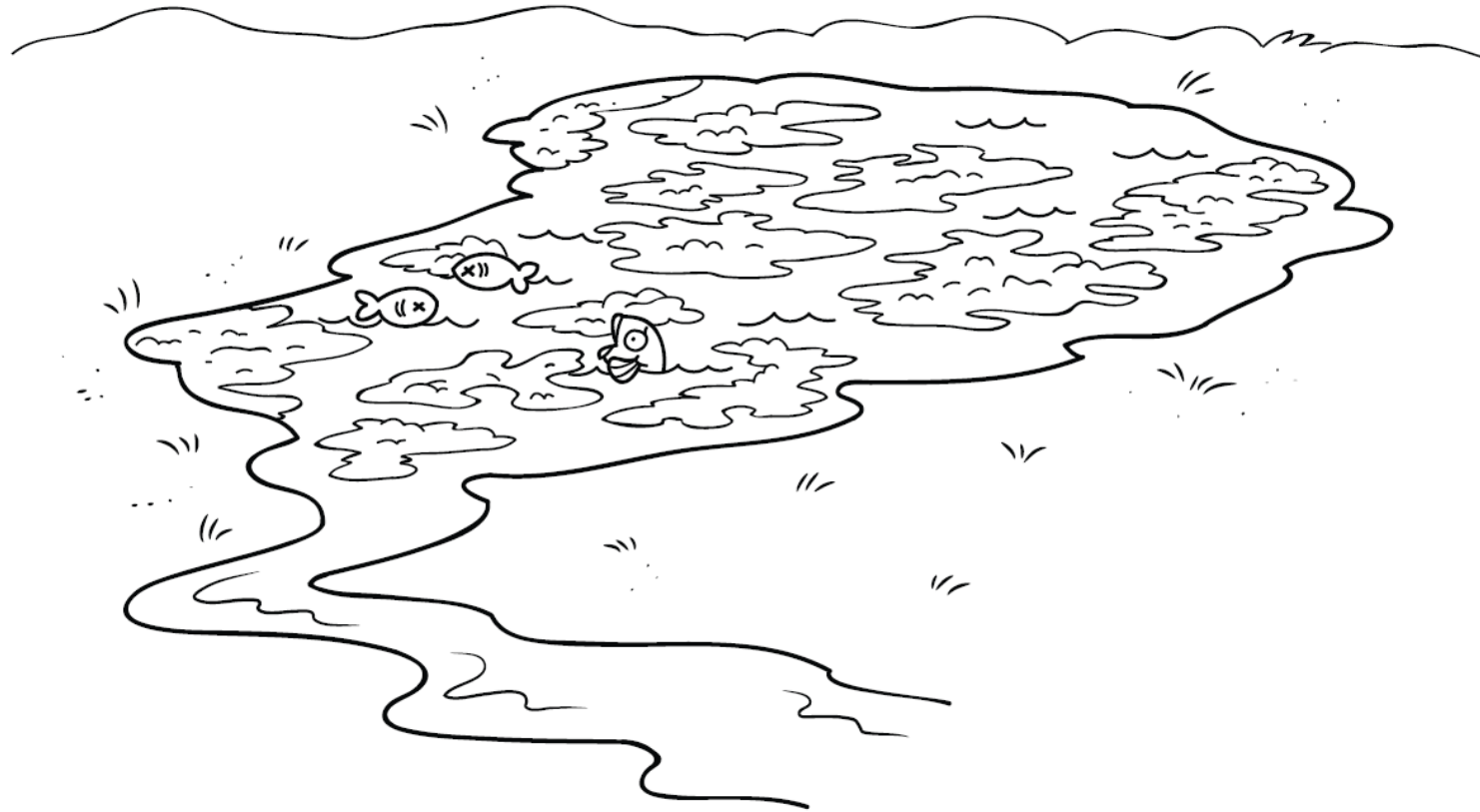
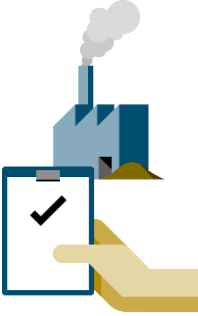
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Transmission pathways of pathogens



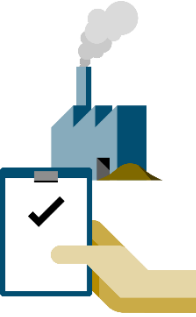
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What component can cause eutrophication?



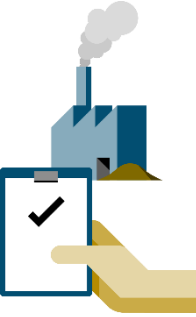
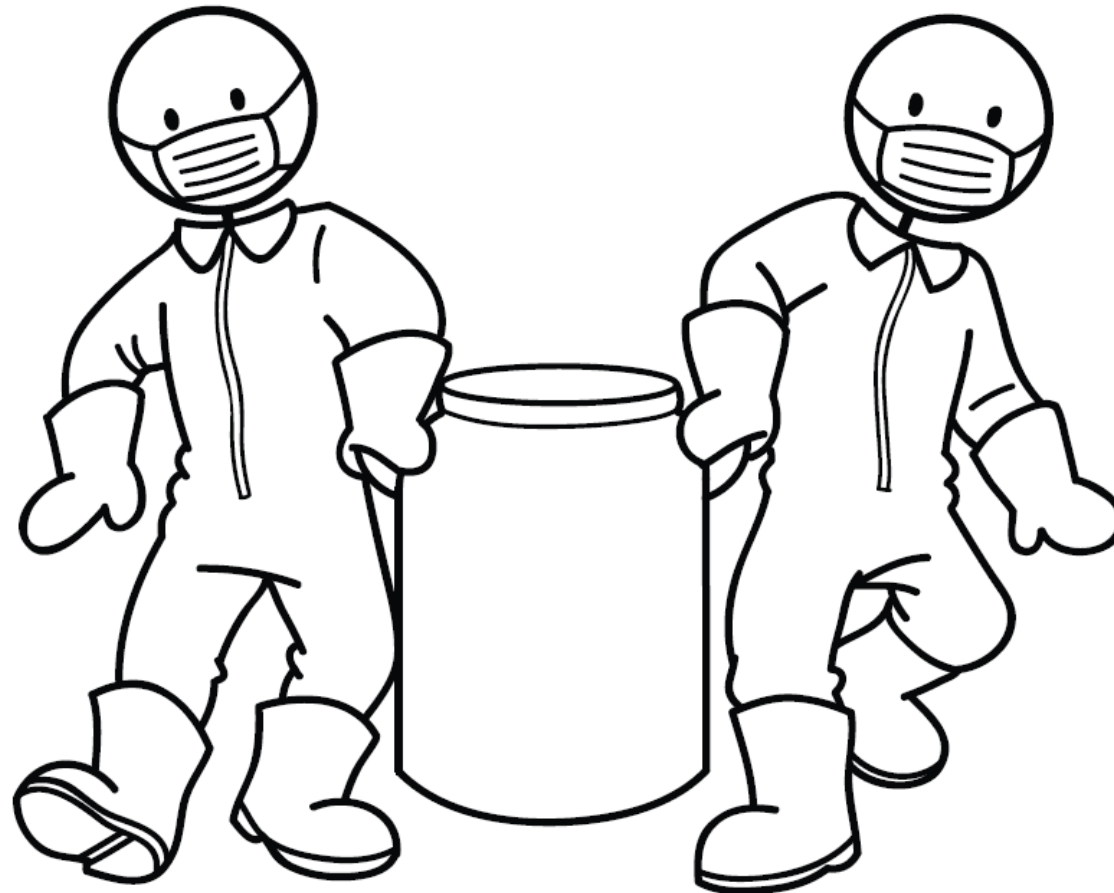
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What component would make faecal sludge smell badly?



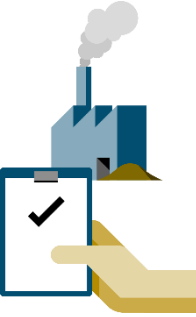
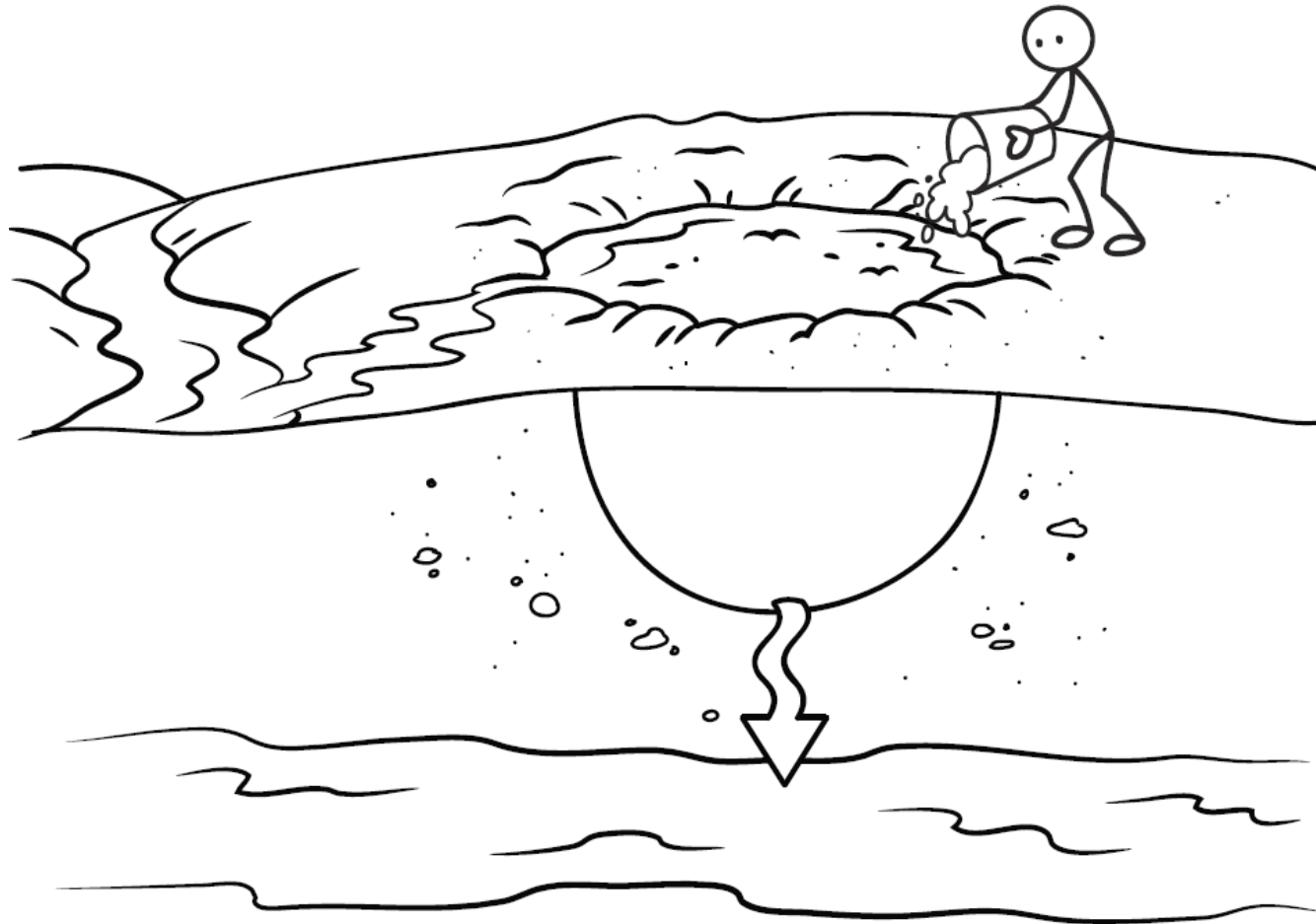
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What component makes faecal sludge heavy and voluminous to manage?



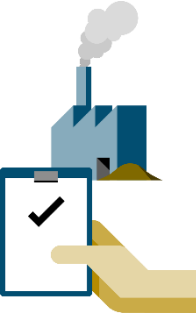
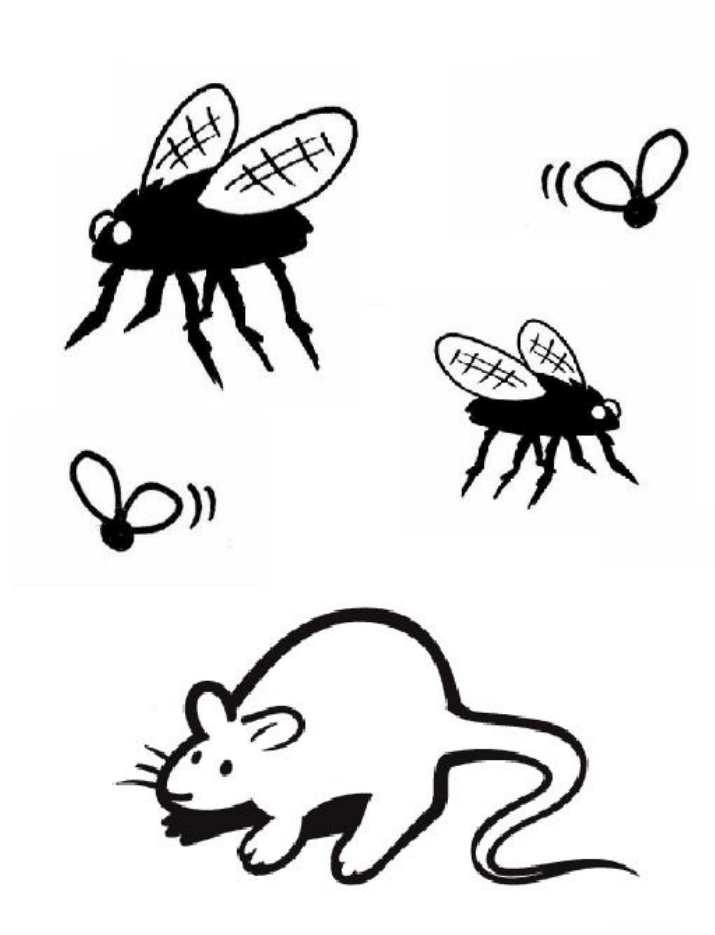
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What component will increase the risk of water contamination?



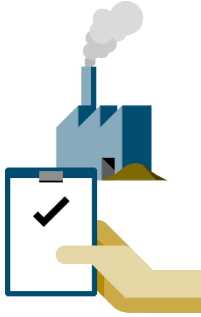
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What component would attract vectors such as flies and rats?



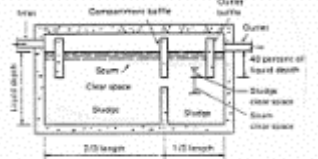
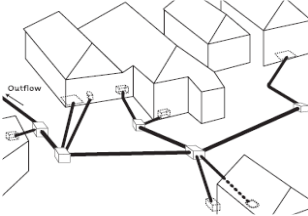
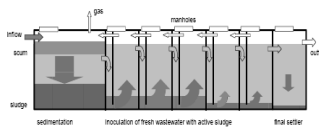
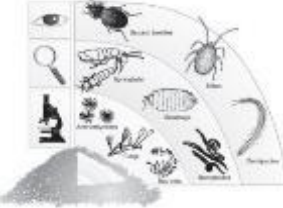
Treatment objectives

1. Pathogen inactivation
2. Stabilization
3. Dewatering
4. Nutrient management



The ultimate goal of faecal sludge management: protection of public and environmental health

Treatment Technologies

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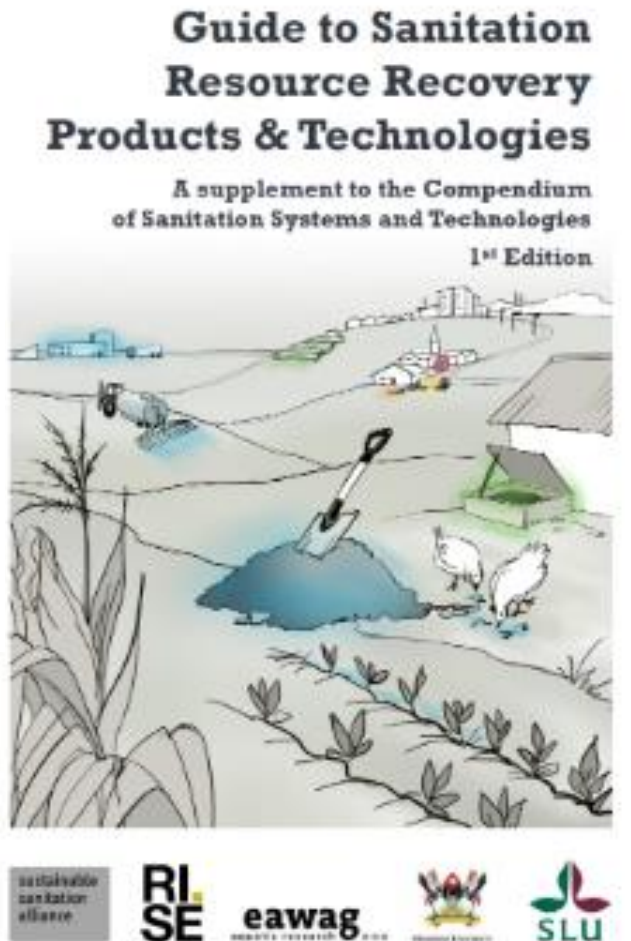
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Part 1: Reuse Products

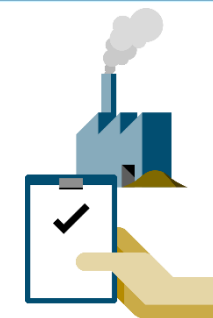
Part 2: Treatment Technologies for Resource Recovery



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Resource recovery options for faecal sludge



Resource	Treatment product	Product type
Energy	Solid fuel	Pellets, briquettes, powder
Energy	Gas fuel	Biogas
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¹ With different levels of pathogen removal, based on enduse

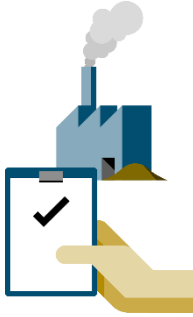
² Addition of NPK to fulfill nutrient needs of a fertilizer

³ No pathogen removal.

Designing for End-use / Resource Recovery

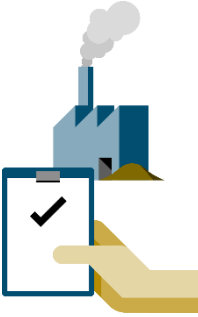
Factors influencing product production:

- Type, quality and costs of input material available
- Socio-cultural acceptance
- Local demands
- Legal aspects
- Availability of materials and equipment
- Availability of space
- Soil and groundwater characteristics
- Local knowledge and capacity

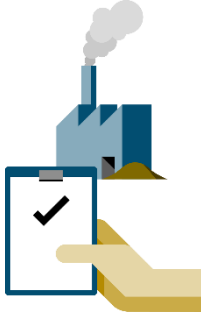


Designing for End-use / Resource Recovery

- No effluent standards / standards not enforced
- Revenues from FS treatment products could offset FS treatment costs
- Market for end products could help ensure sustainable operation
 - Markets for FS treatment end products are undeveloped



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Trade-off of between energy potential and nutrient recovery

Resource recovery – Soil Conditioner

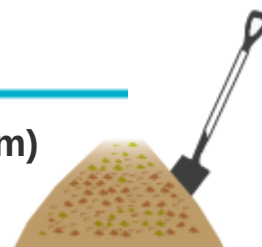
R.8 Dried Faeces

(D.3 in Compendium)



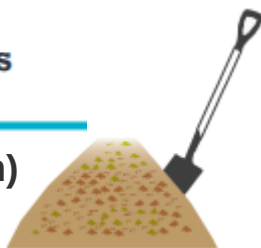
R.11 Compost

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R.9 Pit Humus

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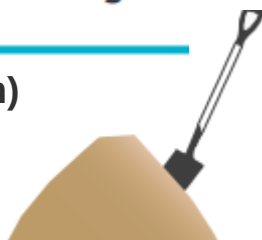


R.12 Ash from Sludge



R.10 Dewatered Sludge

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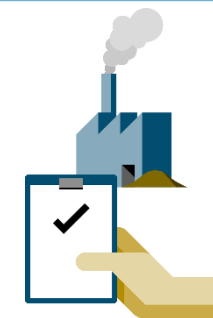
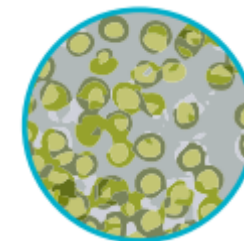
R.13 Biochar



R.14 Nutrient-Enriched Filter Material



R.15 Algae

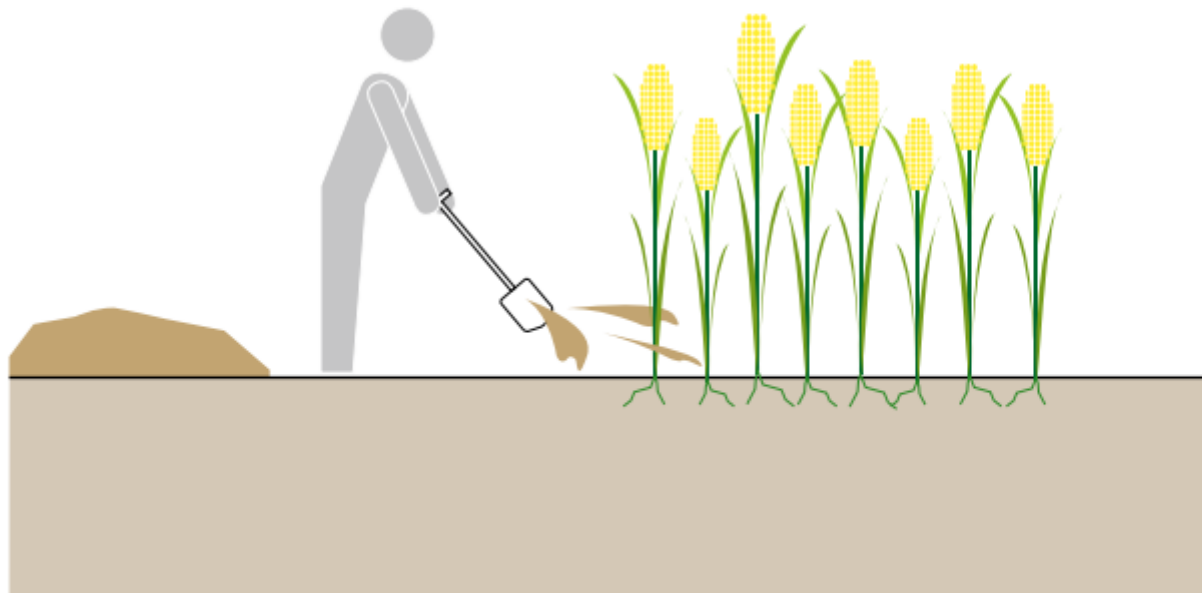


D.4

Application of Pit Humus and Compost

Applicable to:
Systems 2, 3

Application Level:	Management Level:	Inputs:  Pit Humus  Compost
☒ Household	☒ Household	Outputs:  Biomass
☒ Neighbourhood	☒ Shared	
☐ City	☐ Public	



Advantages:

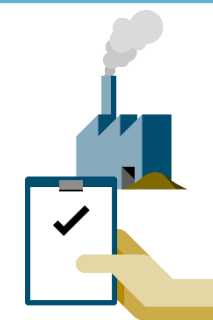
- + Improves structure of soil
- + Reduces chemical fertilizer needs
- + Low costs
- + Low risk of pathogen transmission

Disadvantages

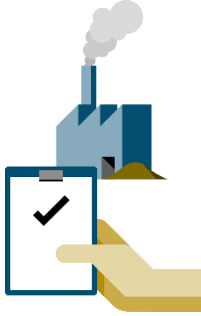
- Long maturation times
- Low social acceptance in some areas

Resource recovery options for faecal sludge

Resource	Treatment product	Product type
Energy	Solid fuel	Pellets, briquettes, powder
Energy	Gas fuel	Biogas
Energy	Electricity	Conversion of biogas, or gasification of solid fuel
Food	Protein	Black soldier flies, fish meal
Food	Animal fodder	Plants from drying beds, dried aquaculture plants
Food	Fish	Grown on effluent from faecal sludge treatment
Material	Building materials	Additive to bricks, road construction
Nutrients	Soil conditioner ¹	Compost, pellets, digestate, black soldier fly residual
Nutrients	Fertilizer ²	Pellets, powder
Nutrients	Soil conditioner ³	Untreated sludge, dewatered sludge from drying beds
Water, nutrients	Reclaimed water	Effluent from faecal sludge treatment



End products to be used as fuels:



Dried faecal sludge



Briquettes/pellets



Charcoal

Dewatering is Key!



R.13 Biochar

Intended use:

Soil conditioner, Water purification,
Energy production

Technical maturity:

High

Application level:

* Household
** City
** Regional
* Global

Treatment technologies:

T.27 Carbonisation



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Advantages:

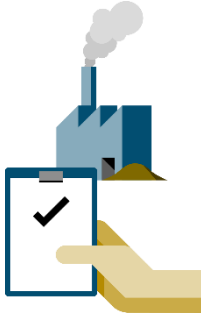
- + Can be used as a solid fuel (char) or soil conditioner (biochar)
- + Improves soil quality & structure
- + Carbon-neutral or carbon-negative

Disadvantages

- Dust during soil application
- Sorption of pesticides and herbicides
- Nitrogen loss

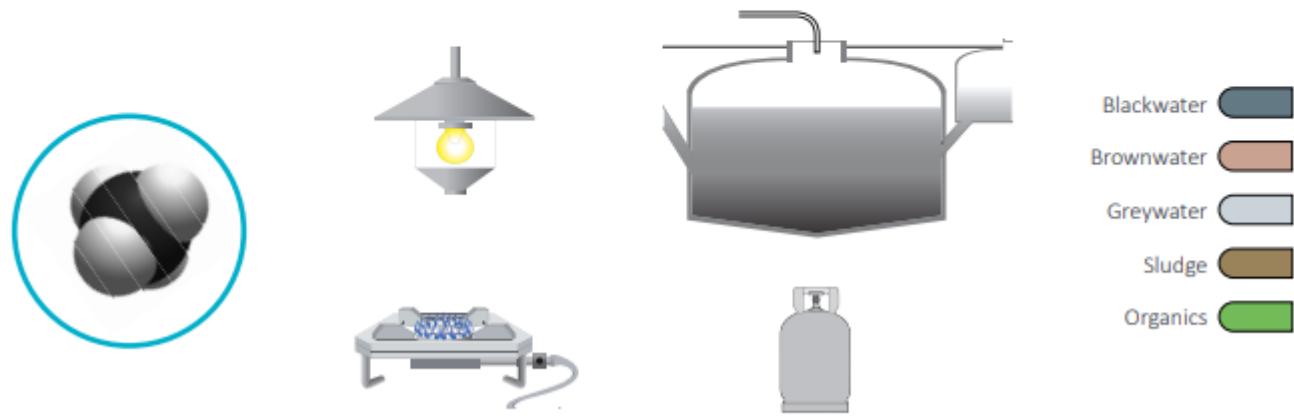
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R.21 Biogas (D.13 in Compendium)

Intended use: Heat, Electricity, Vehicle fuel	Application level: ** Household ** City * Regional * Global	Treatment technologies: (S.12 Biogas Reactor, T.11 Upflow Anaerobic Sludge Blanket Rector UASB, T.17 Biogas Reactor)
Technical maturity: High		



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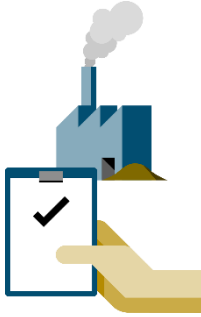
Advantages:

- + Low-cost energy source from renewable resources
- + Replaces fuel wood for cooking
- + Few operational skills and little maintenance required

Disadvantages

- Low storage time, low energy density
- Biogas lamps have lower efficiency
- Leaked / unburned methane is a GHG emission

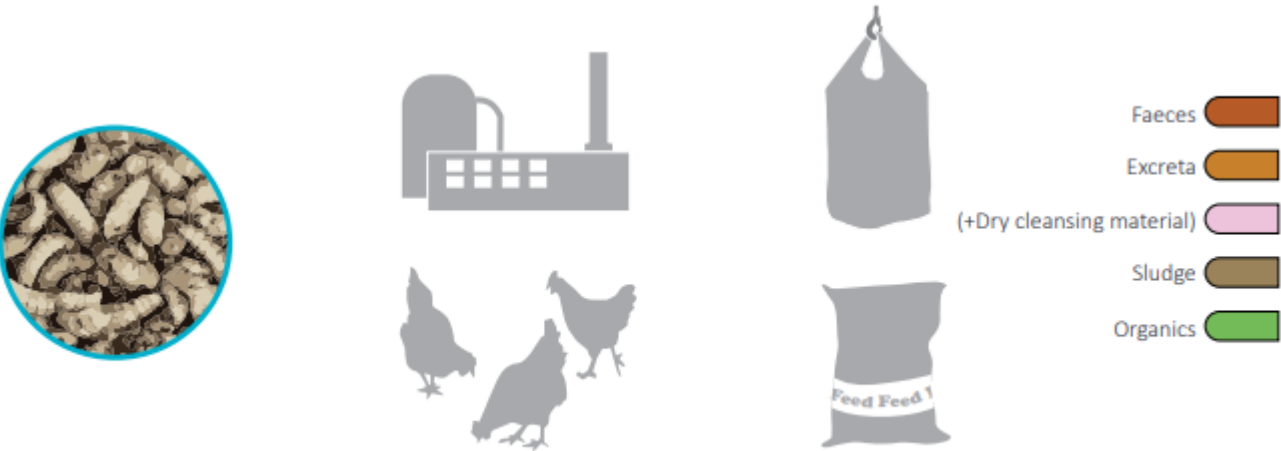
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R.17 Black Soldier Fly Larvae

Intended use: Biomass (e.g., animal fodder, biofuels), Industrial use	Application level: ** Household ** City *** Regional * Global	Treatment technologies: T.21 Black Soldier Fly Composting
Technical maturity: Medium		



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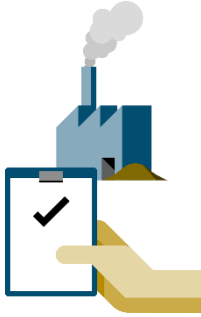
Advantages:

- + Good source of protein and oil in animal feed
- + Easily dried for longer storage (55-75% volume reduction)
- + Can also be used as biofuel
- + Pesticides and mycotoxins are not accumulated in BSFL

Disadvantages

- Solid residue not pathogen free.
- May alter meat products
- Stringent rules about insects
 - In Europe, cannot give animal by-products to BSFL and cannot give BSFL as feed to other animals

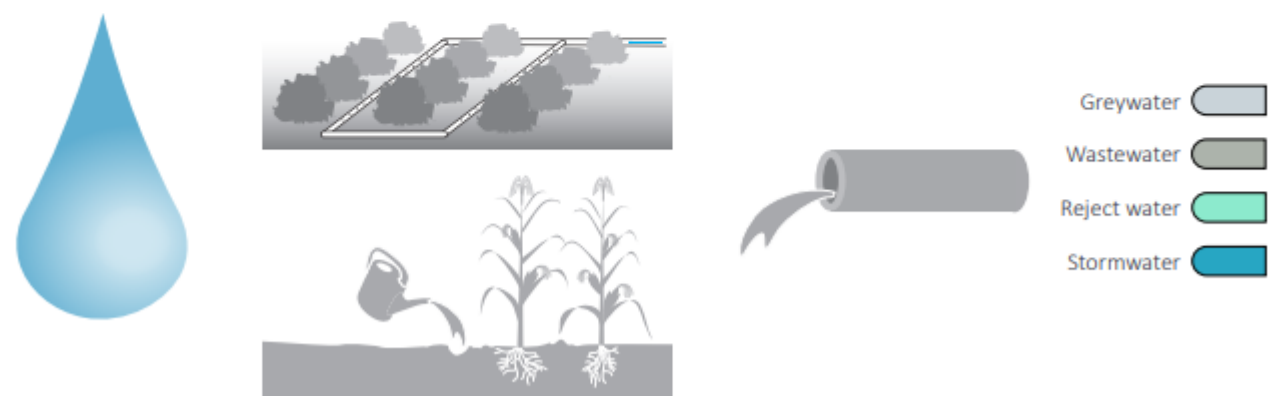
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R.19 Irrigation Water

Intended use: Irrigation	Application level: *** Household ** City * Regional Global	Treatment technologies: All technologies that produce an effluent as an output
Technical maturity: High		



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Advantages:

- + Reduces depletion of groundwater and improves availability of drinking water
- + Low risk of pathogen transmission if water is properly treated
- + Low capital and operational costs depending on the design

Disadvantages

- Expert design and installation
- Drip irrigation normally required
- Risk of soil contamination
- Risk of groundwater contamination
- Social acceptance is low

R.3 Sanitised Blackwater

Intended use: Liquid fertiliser, Agricultural irrigation	Application level: ** Household ** City ** Regional * Global	Treatment technologies: T.32 Ammonia Sanitisation/Urea Treatment, T.33 Lime Sanitisation
Technical maturity: High		



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Advantages:

- + Reduces depletion of groundwater and improves availability of drinking water
- + **Reduced the need for fertilizer (*Fertigation*)**
- + Low risk of pathogen transmission if water is properly treated
- + Low capital and operational costs depending on the design

Disadvantages

- Expert design and installation
- Drip irrigation normally required
- Risk of soil contamination
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Other potential resources:

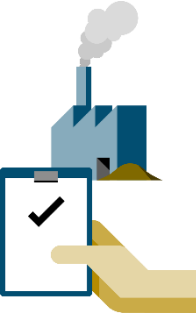
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- Urine
 - Stored (R.1)
 - Concentrated (R.2)
 - Dry (R.6)
 - Struvite (R.7)
- Digestate (R.4)
- Macrophytes (R.16)
- Worms (R.18)
- Aquaculture (R.20)

End-uses without resource recovery:

(from Compendium of Sanitation Systems and technologies)

- Soak pit (D.7)
- Leach field (D.8)
- Water discharge (D.11)
- Surface disposal (D.12)

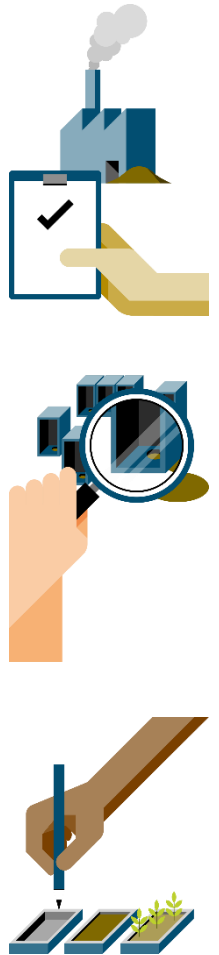
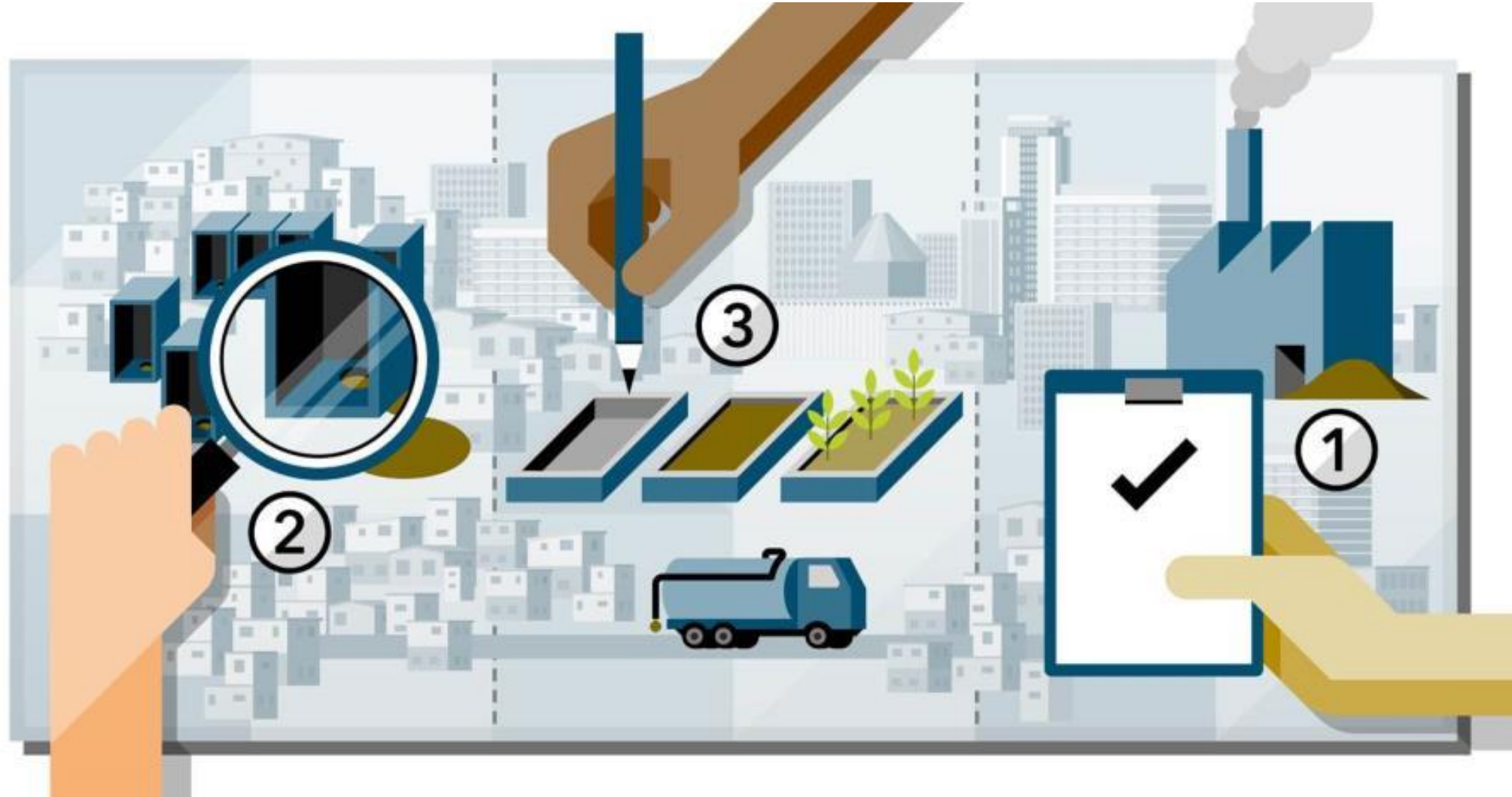


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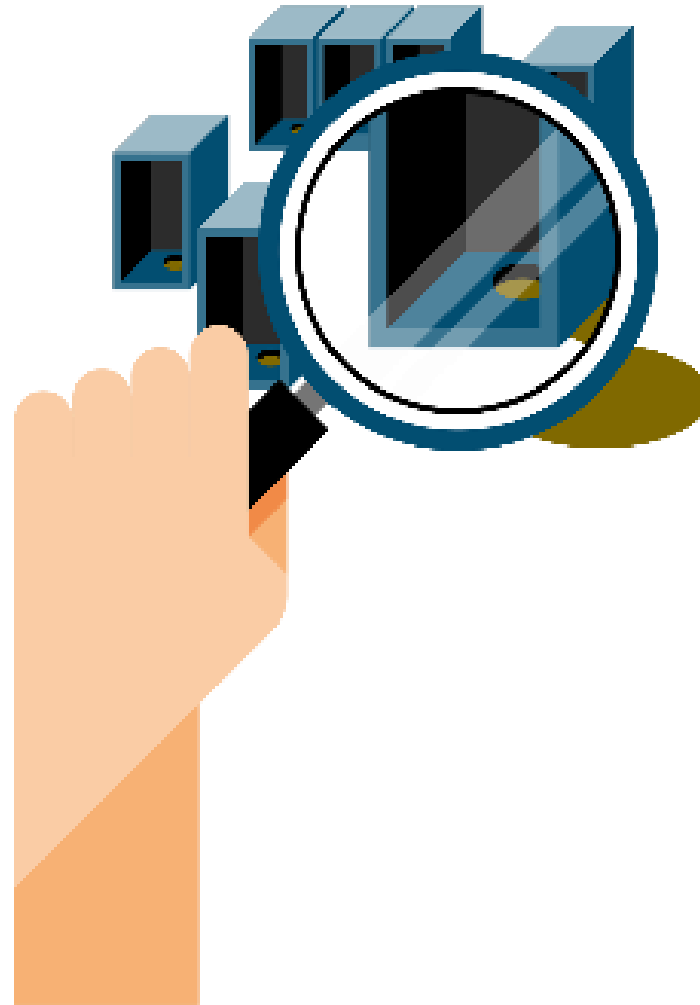


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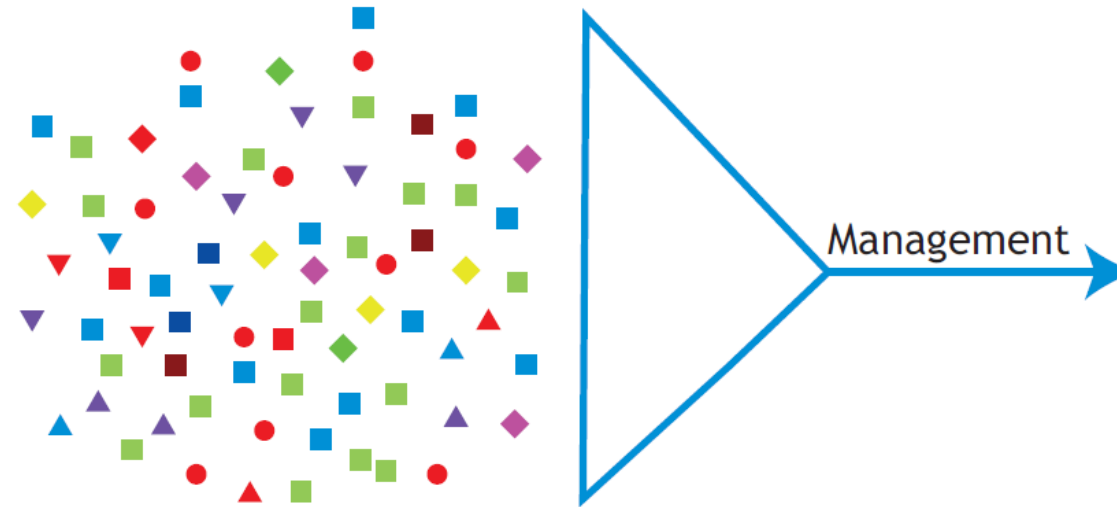


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Step 2: Quantification and characterization of influent sludge



Reminder: Faecal Sludge is highly variable!

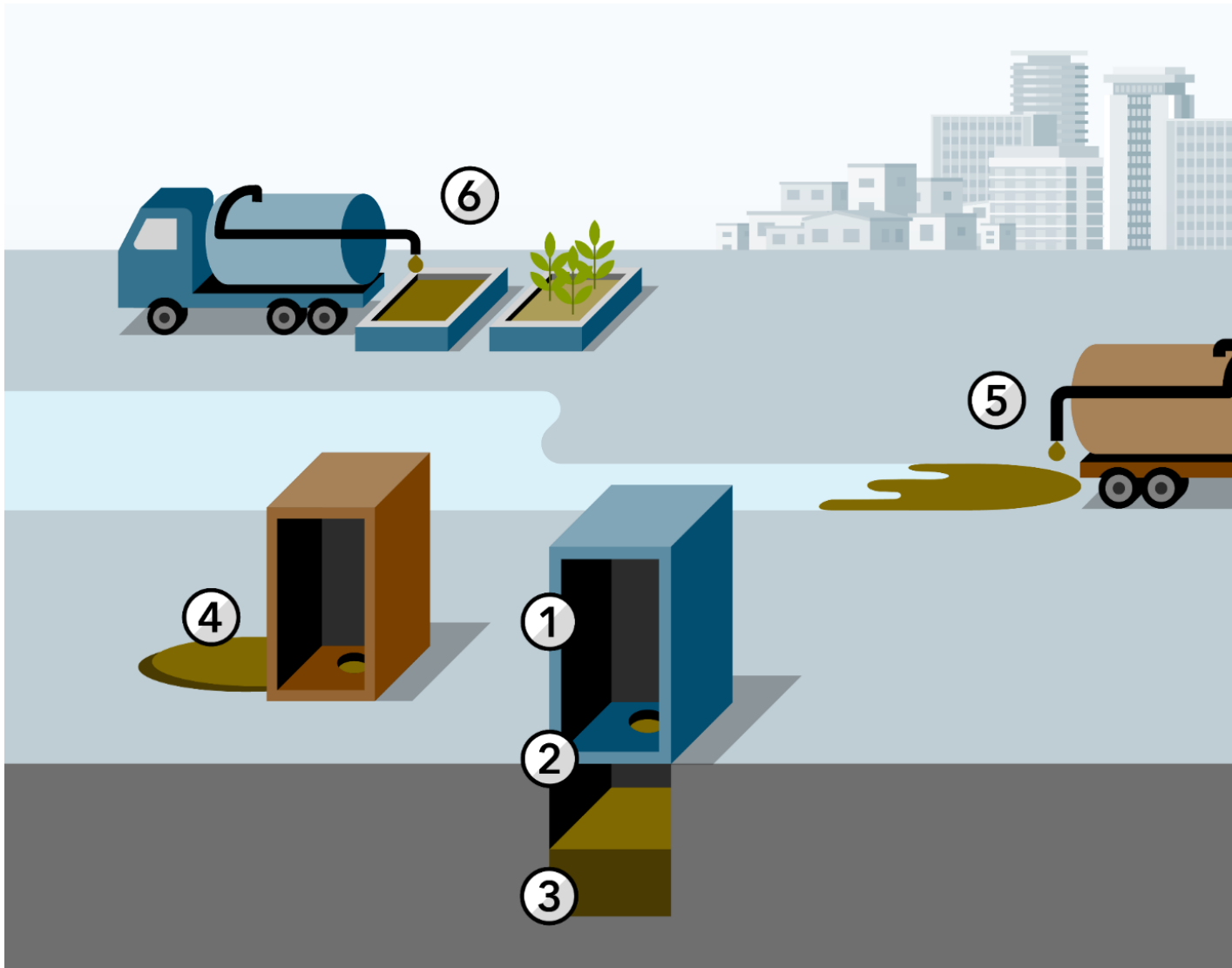


Variability of faecal sludge



Faecal sludge characteristics (Quality)

	pH	TSS (mg/L)	tCOD (mg/L)	sCOD (mg/L)	NH ₄ -N (mg/L)	COD/N ratio	Alkalinity (mmol HCO ₃ ⁻ /L)	Conductivity (mS/cm)
Fecal sludge	6.5-8	4,900-8,500	1,200-127,200	92-19,600	21-5,000	151/1 - 5/1	-	1.7-14.5
Fecal sludge supernatant	6.6-7.8	1-645	76-1,116	39-641	17-262	19/1-1/1.5	7.1-36.8	0.81-4.5
Primary effluent municipal wastewater	7-8	36-112	450-469	199-277	25-45	19/1-9/1	300-340	0.70-0.12



1. Excreta produced
2. Faecal sludge produced
3. Faecal sludge accumulated
4. Faecal sludge emptied, but not collected
5. Faecal sludge collected, but not delivered to treatment plant
6. Faecal sludge treated





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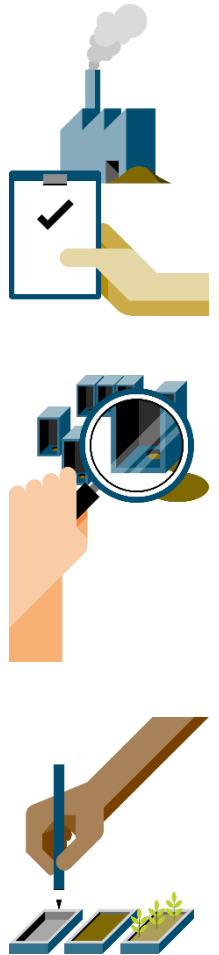
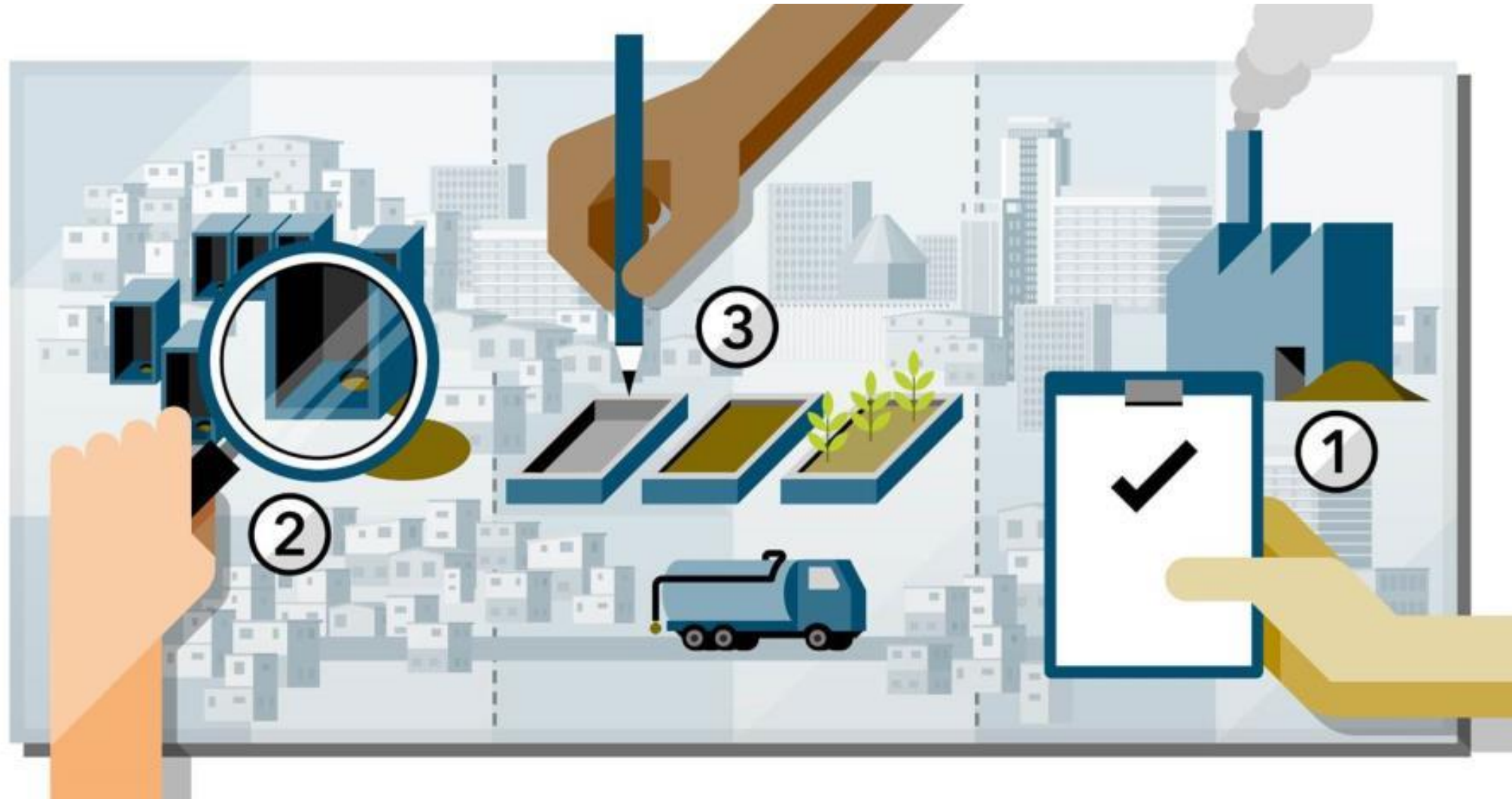
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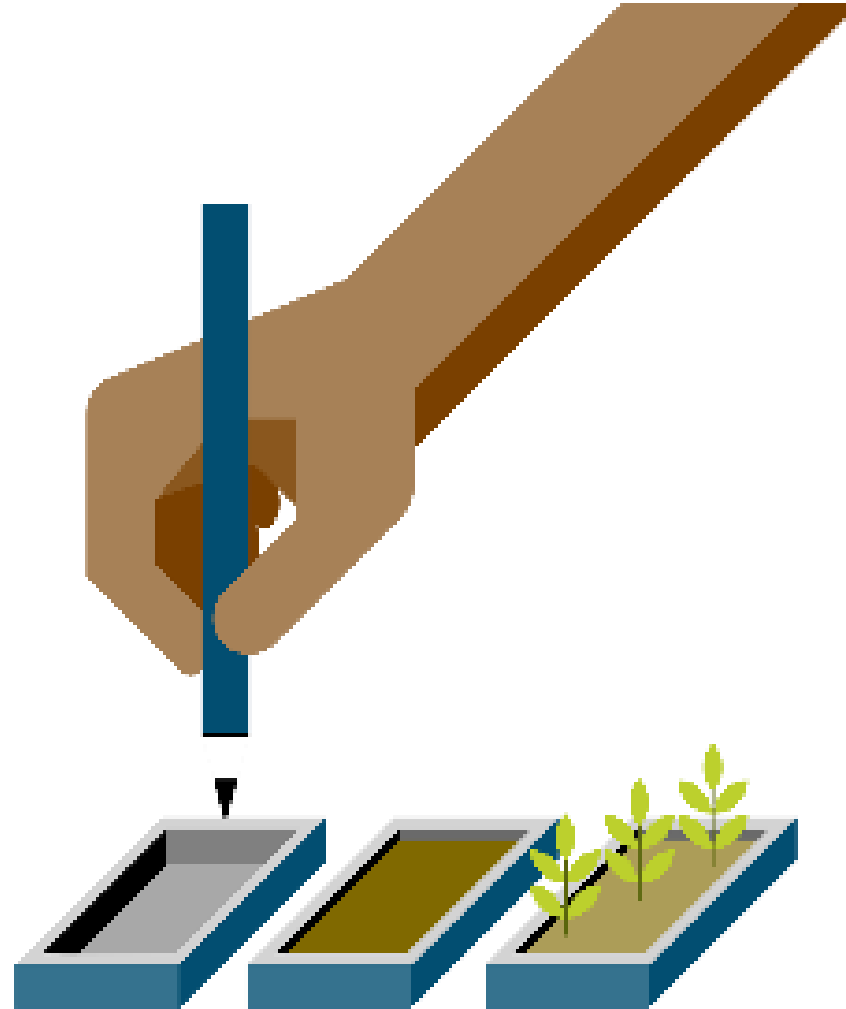
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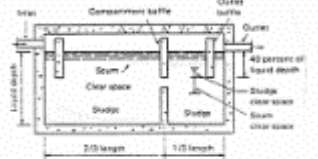
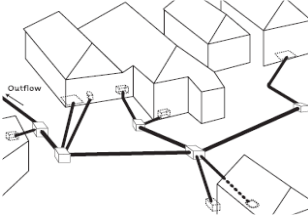
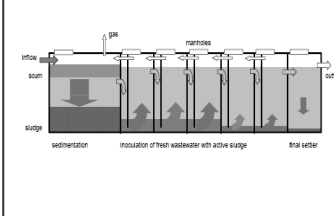
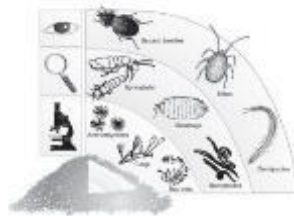
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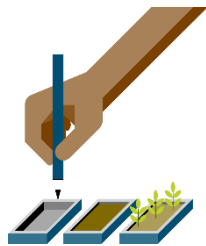
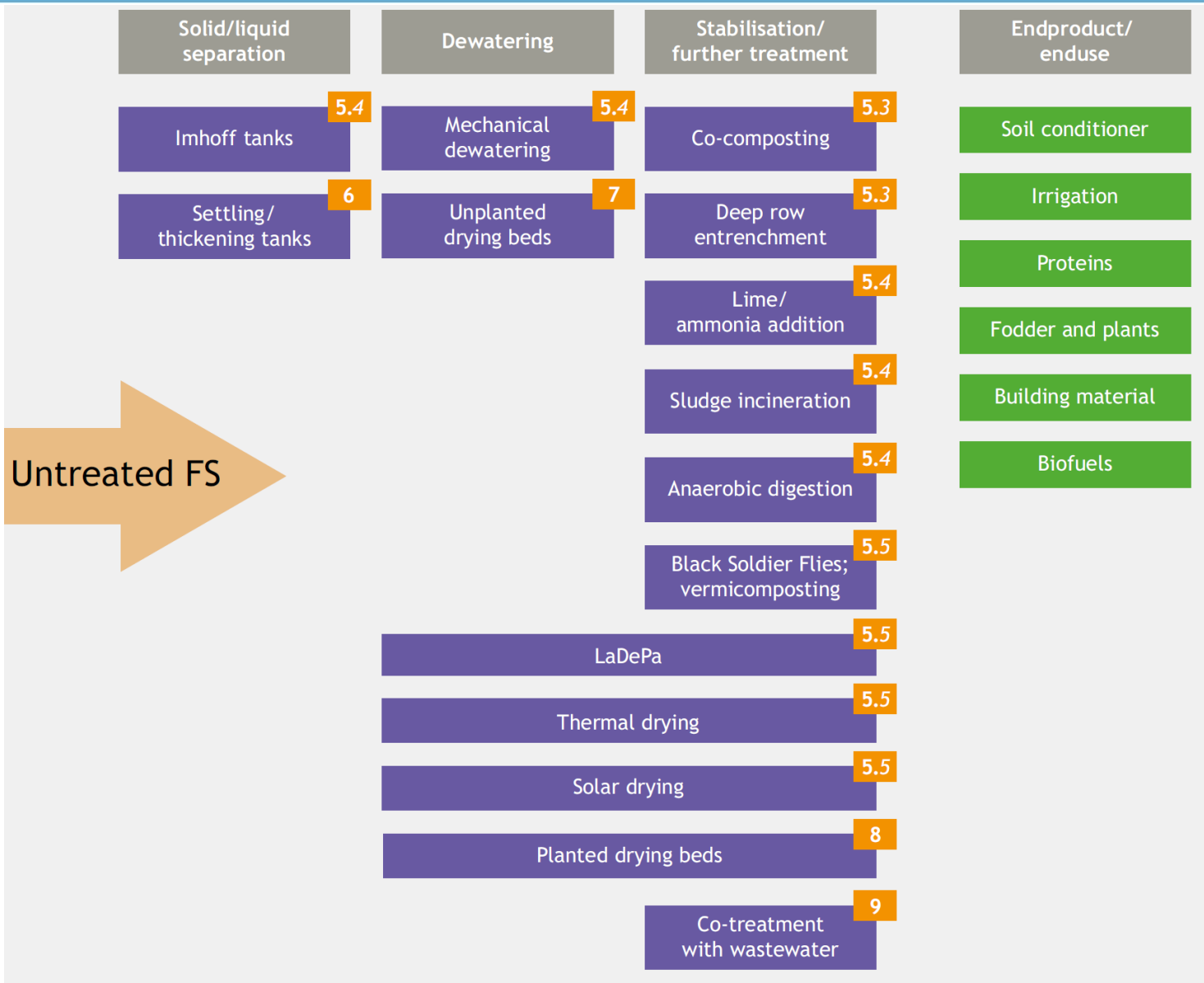
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Step 3: Design of treatment technology



User Interface	Storage	Conveyance	(Semi-) Centralised Treatment	Use and / or Disposal
				
○ Dry Toilet ○ Urine Diverting Dry Toilet (UDDT) ○ Urinal ○ Pour Flush Toilet ○ Cistern Flush Toilet ○ Urine Diverting Flush Toilet	○ Urine Storage Tank / Container ○ Single Pit ○ Single Ventilated Improved Pit (VIP) ○ Double Ventilated Improved Pit (VIP) ○ Fossa Alterna ○ Twin Pits for Pour Flush ○ Dehydr. Vaults ○ Composting Chamber ○ Septic Tank ○ Etc.	○ Jerry can / Tank ○ Human-Powered Emptying and Transport ○ Motorized Emptying and Transport ○ Simplified Sewer ○ Solids-Free Sewer ○ Conventional Gravity Sewer ○ Transfer Station (Holding Tank)	○ Anaerobic Baffled Reactor (ABR) ○ Anaerobic Filter ○ Waste Stabilization Ponds ○ Aerated Pond ○ Constructed Wetland ○ Trickling Filter ○ Activated Sludge ○ Drying Beds ○ Co-composting ○ Biogas Reactor ○ Etc.	○ Fill and Cover / Arborloo ○ Applic. of Urine ○ Application of Dehydr. Faeces / Compost/Sludge ○ Irrigation ○ Soak Pit ○ Leach Field ○ Fish Pond ○ Floating Plant Pond ○ Water Disposal / Groundwater Recharge ○ Surface Disposal ○ Biogas Combust.

Treatment technologies

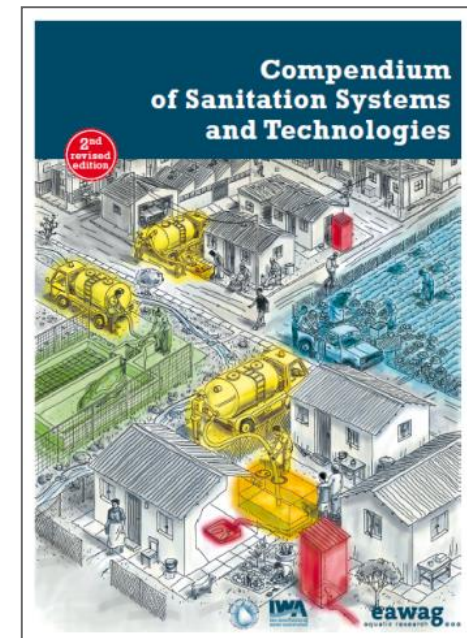
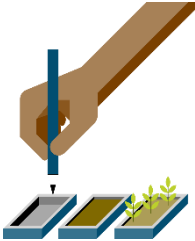


For Wastewater

- T.1 Settler
- T.2 Imhoff Tank
- T.3 Anaerobic Baffled Reactor (ABR)
- T.4 Anaerobic Filter
- T.5 Waste Stabilization Ponds (WSP)
- T.6 Aerated Pond
- T.7 Free-Water Surface Constructed Wetland
- T.8 Horizontal Subsurface Flow constructed Wetland
- T.9 Vertical Flow constructed Wetland
- T.10 Trickling filter
- T.11 Upflow Anaerobic Sludge blanket Reactor (UASB)
- T.12 Activated Sludge

For Fecal Sludge

- T.13 Sedimentations / Thickening Ponds
- T.14 Unplanted Drying Beds
- T.15 Planted Drying Beds
- T.16 Co-composting
- T.17 Biogas Reactor



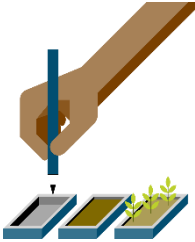
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For Fecal Sludge

- T.20 Vermicomposting and Vermifiltration
- T.21 Black Soldier Fly Composting
- T.26 Incineration
- T.27 Carbonization
- T.28 Solar Drying



- **Pre-treatment**
example: removal of oil, grease, sand or trash
- **Primary treatment:** solid-liquid separation (dewatering)
example: a settling-thickening tank
- **Secondary treatment:** biological removal of organic matter, nutrients and remaining suspended solids
example: anaerobic digestion
- **Post-treatment or tertiary treatment:** final polishing
example: removal of remaining pathogens, nutrients or micropollutants





- **Innovative:** New technologies that are still in the pilot phase and need more research before large scale implementation.



- **Transferring:** Have been used for wastewater treatment, and are in the process of being adapted for faecal sludge



- **Established:** Are established technologies for treating faecal sludge

PRE

Pre-Treatment Technologies

Applicable to:
Systems 1, 6-9

Application Level:

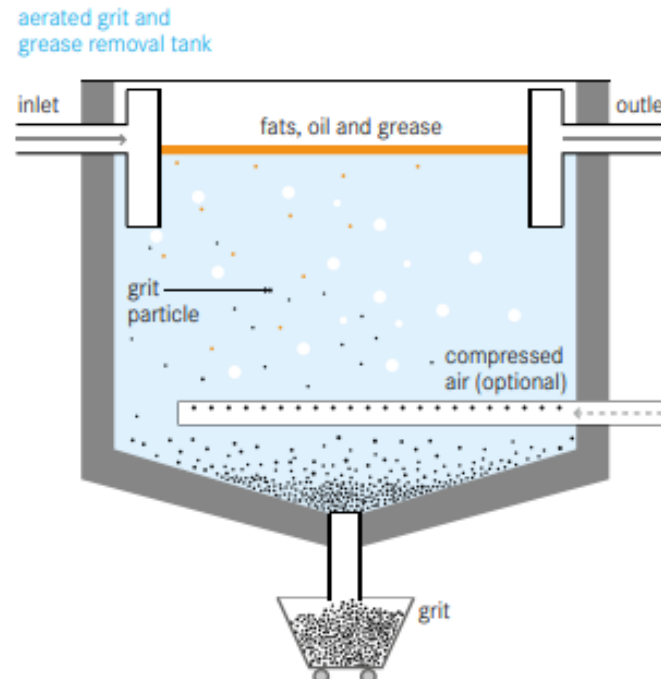
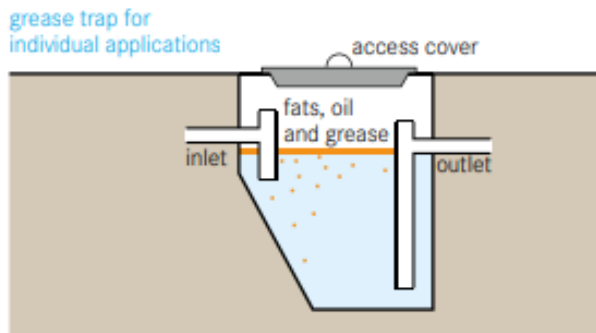
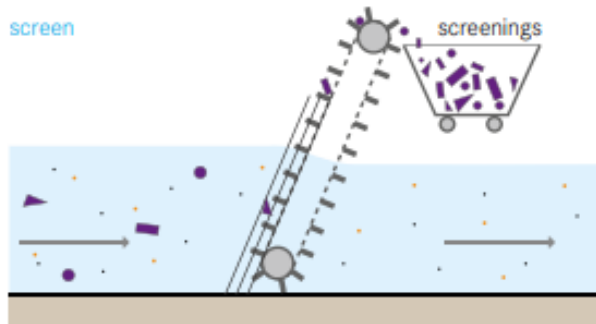
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- ★★ City

Management Level:

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- ★★ Public

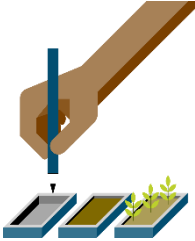
Inputs: Blackwater Brownwater
Greywater Sludge

Outputs: Blackwater Brownwater
Greywater Sludge Pre-Treatment Products



Advantages:

- + Relatively low capital and operating costs
- + Reduced risk of impairing subsequent Conveyance and/or Treatment technologies
- + Higher lifetime and durability of sanitation hardware

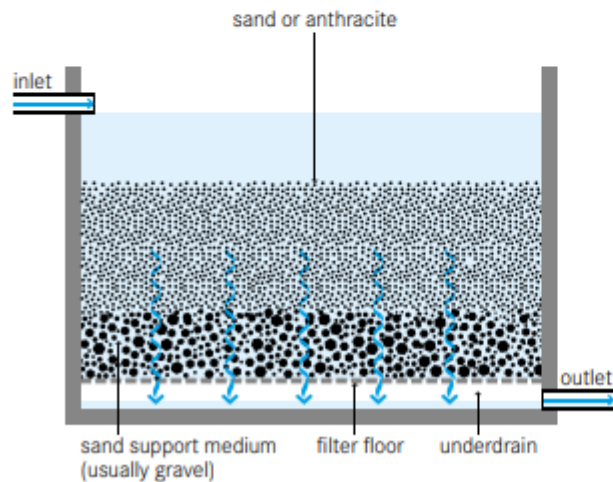


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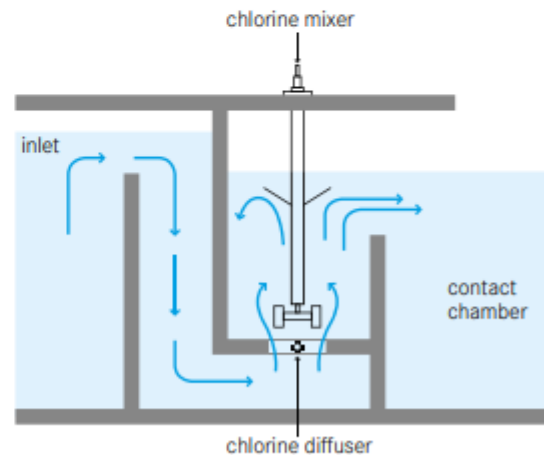
- Frequent maintenance required
- The removal of solids and grease is not pleasant

Tertiary Treatment & Disinfection

POST Tertiary Filtration and Disinfection		Applicable to: Systems 1, 6-9
Application Level: ☐ Household ☒ Neighbourhood ☒ City	Management Level: ☐ Household ☒ Shared ☒ Public	Inputs:  Effluent Outputs:  Effluent



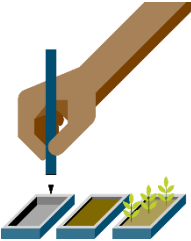
tertiary filtration (e.g., depth filtration)



disinfection (e.g., chlorination)

Advantages:

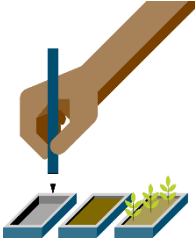
- + Additional removal of pathogens and/or chemical contaminants
- + Allows for direct reuse of treated wastewater



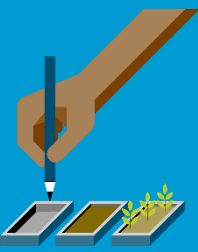
Disadvantages

- Skills, Technology, spare parts and materials may not be locally available
- High capital and operating costs
- May require constant source of electricity or chemicals
- Continuous monitoring
- Filter materials need regular maintenance
- Chlorination / Ozonation can form toxic by-products

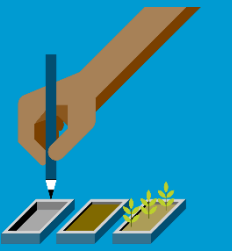
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Treatment Technology Activity

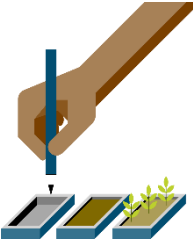


Treatment Technology Activity Plenary

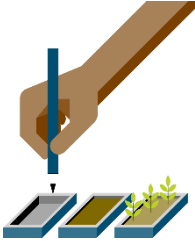
In general, often need several technologies in a particular order to effectively treat FS.

Examples:

- To compost sludge, it must first be dewatered
- Compost from vermicomposting cannot be directly applied to agricultural lands – first need to inactivate pathogens through co-composting
- For Briquettes, need to dewater and dry



Besides treatment objectives, treatment products and level of technology development, there are other factors which may influence the selection of treatment technologies



Photos from the field

Settling-thickening tank



Unplanted drying beds



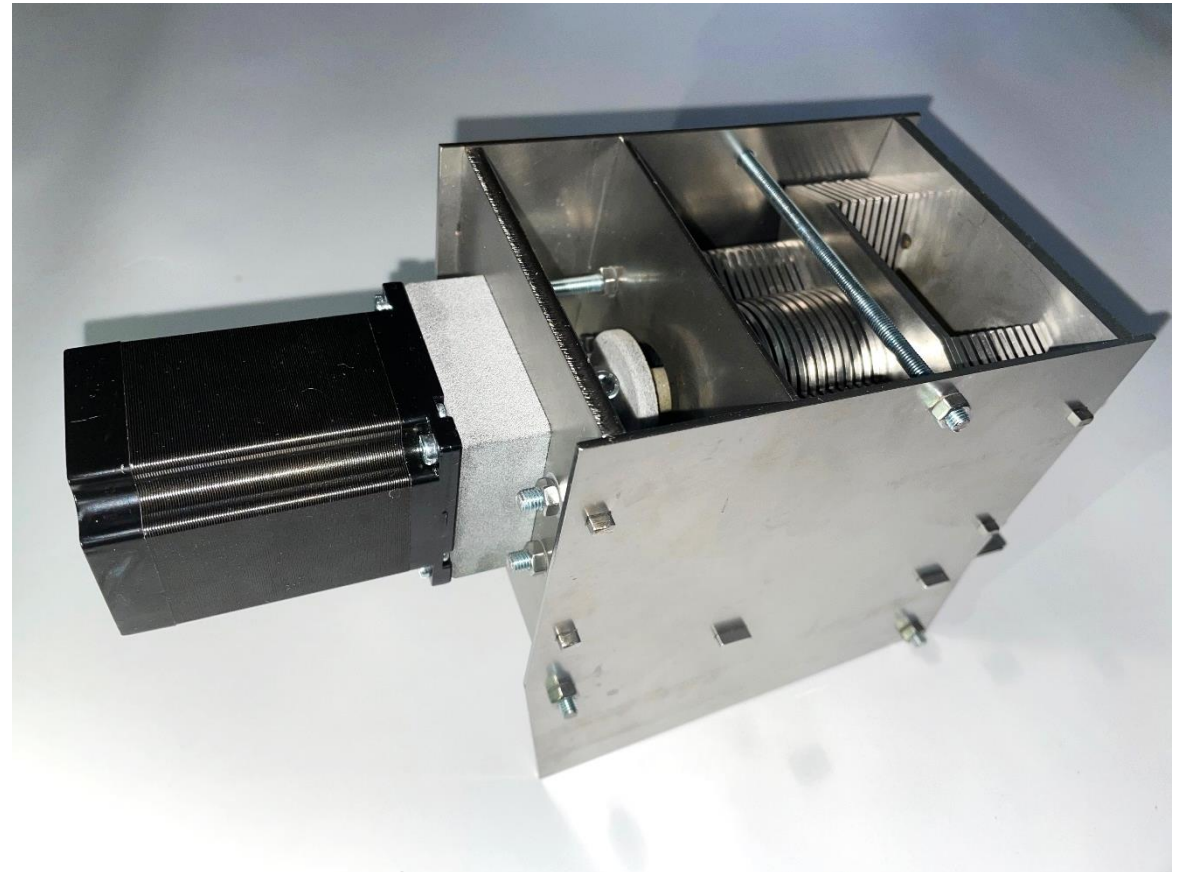
Planted drying beds



Co-composting



Mechanical dewatering



Waste stabilization ponds



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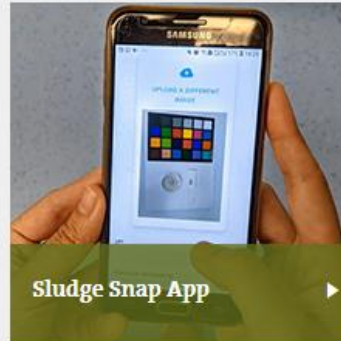
Ongoing Research Projects



Fecal sludge dewatering and supernatant treatment ▶



Volaser measuring device ▶



Sludge Snap App ▶



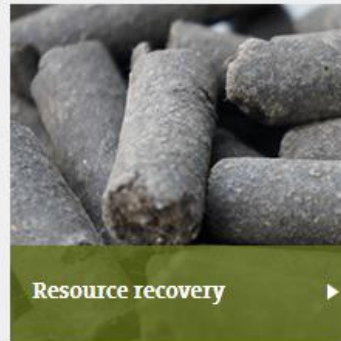
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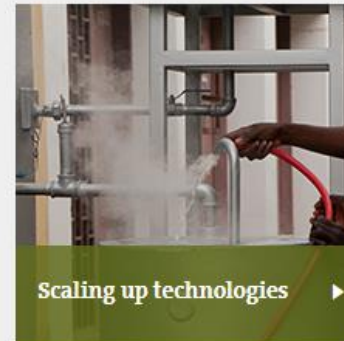
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Emergency and humanitarian contexts ▶



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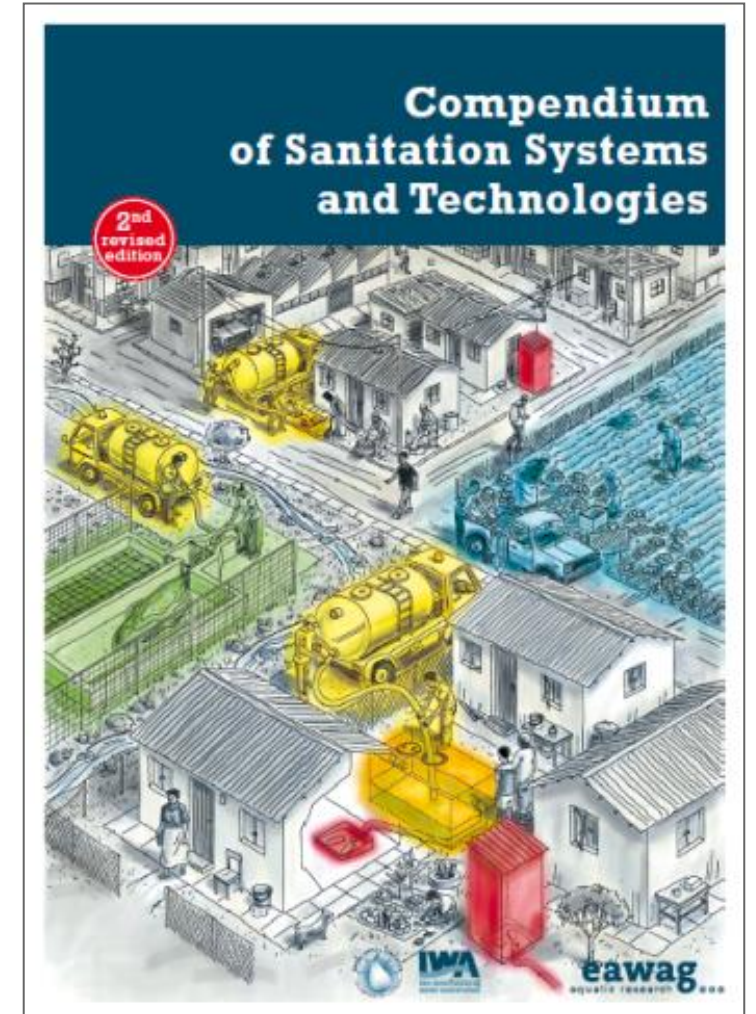
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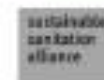
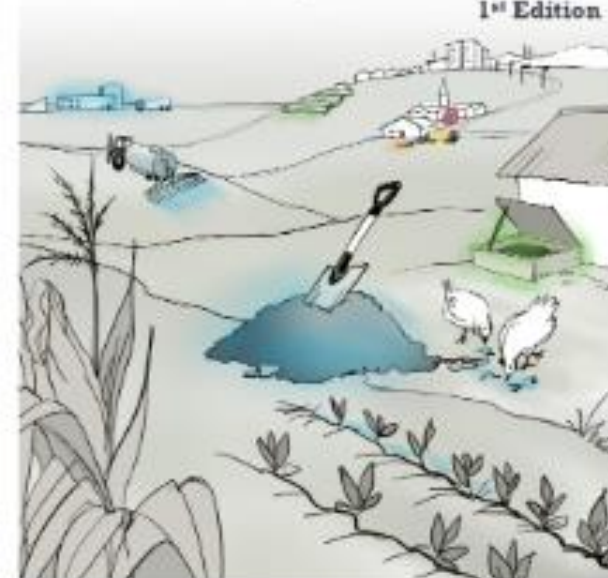
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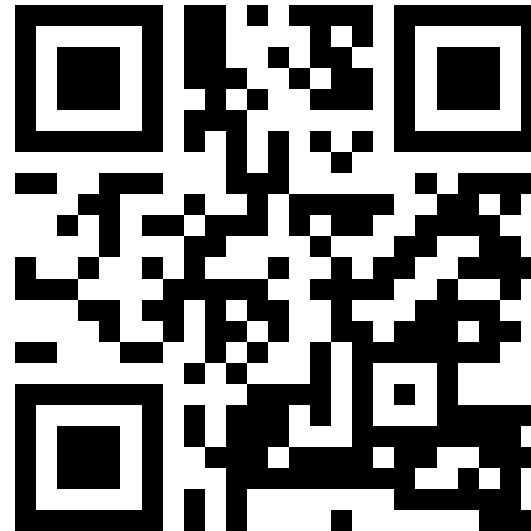
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Overview of anything FSM

Including:

- Characteristics
- Treatment technologies
- Planning
- Enabling environment
- Systems approach



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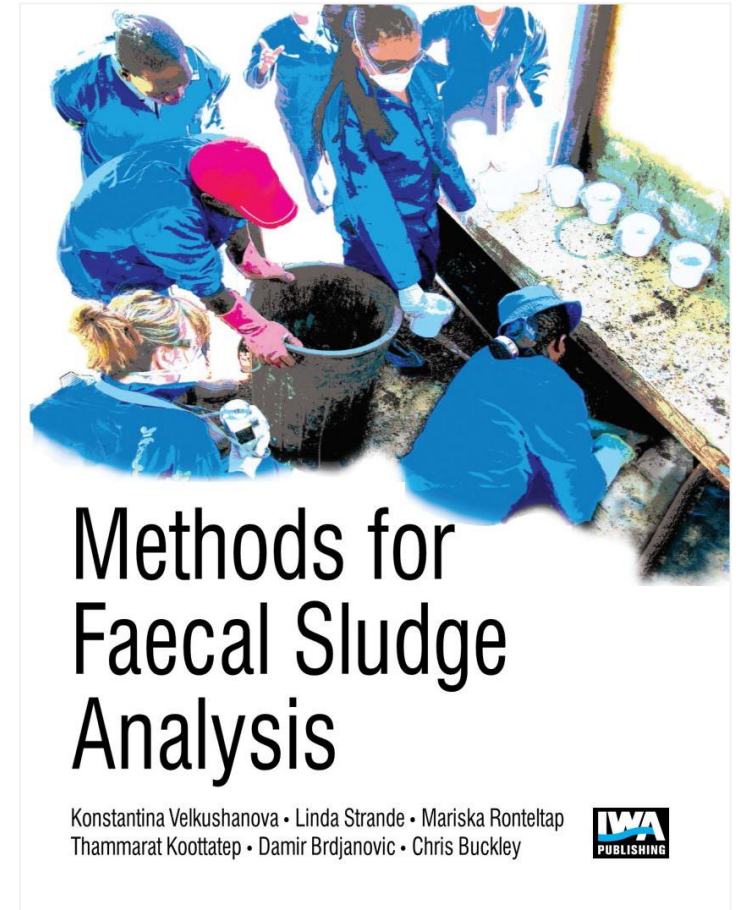
Guidelines for standard practices

Including:

- Background info on types of faecal sludge
- Methods for sample collection
- Health and safety procedures for handling
- Approach for estimating quantities & qualities on community to city-wide scale
- Laboratory methods for faecal sludge analysis



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