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TECHNOLOGY INTRODUCTION

SPOTVIEW

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CONTEXT

- Despite process optimizations and continuous search for energy efficiency, a lot of energy is still being lost as waste heat (residual heat from processes and power generation)
- Thermodynamically it is most efficient to make heat with heat. (e.g. more efficient than using it to generate electricity)

WE GENERATE PROCESS HEAT
FROM WASTE HEAT



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WASTE HEAT

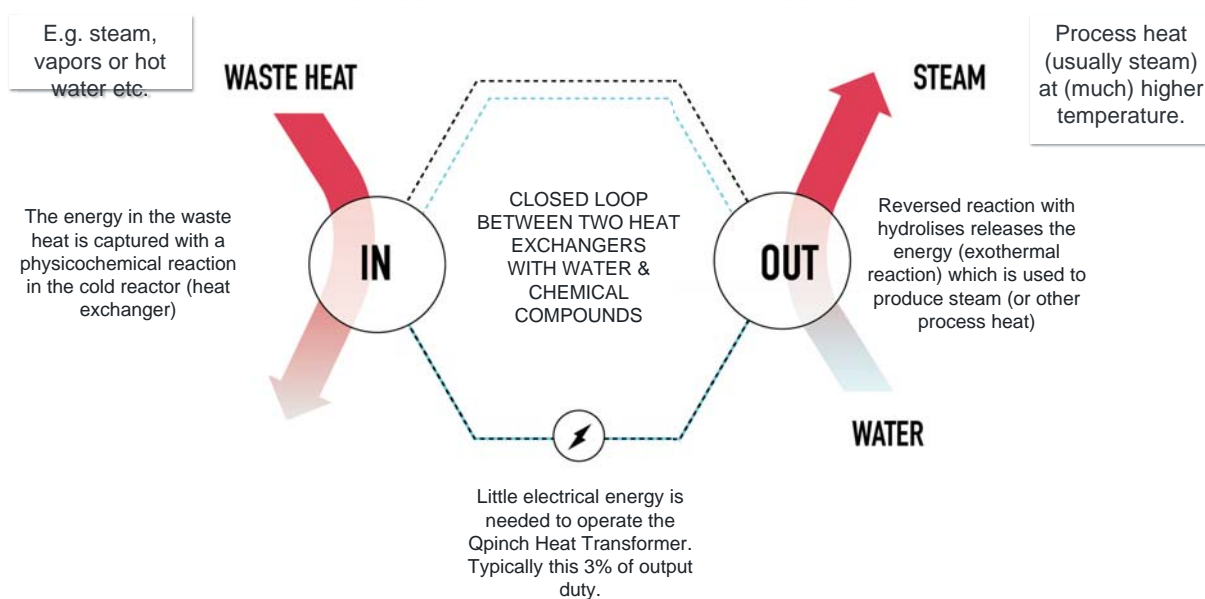


HOW DOES IT WORK



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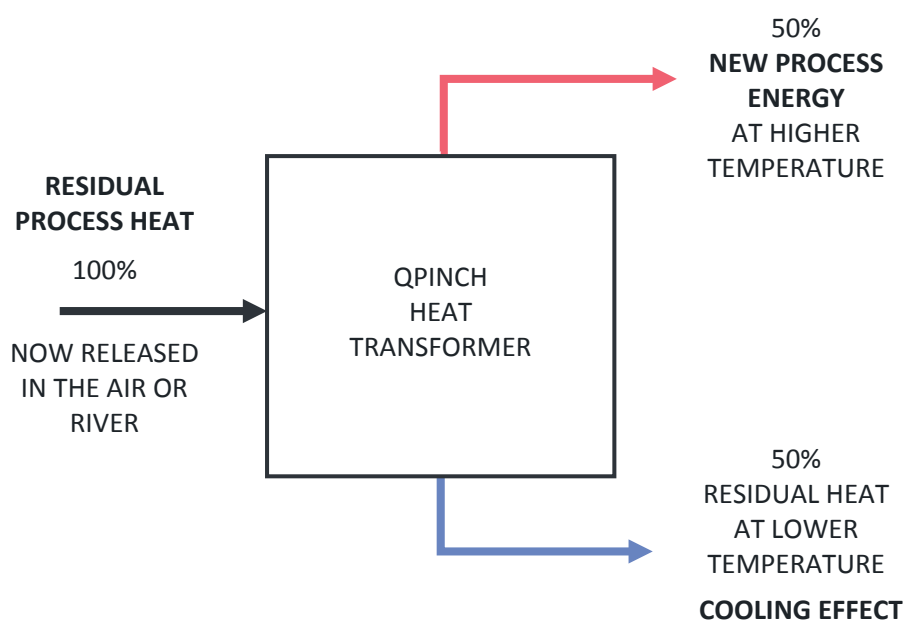
TRANSFORMING WASTE HEAT INTO NEW PROCESS HEAT



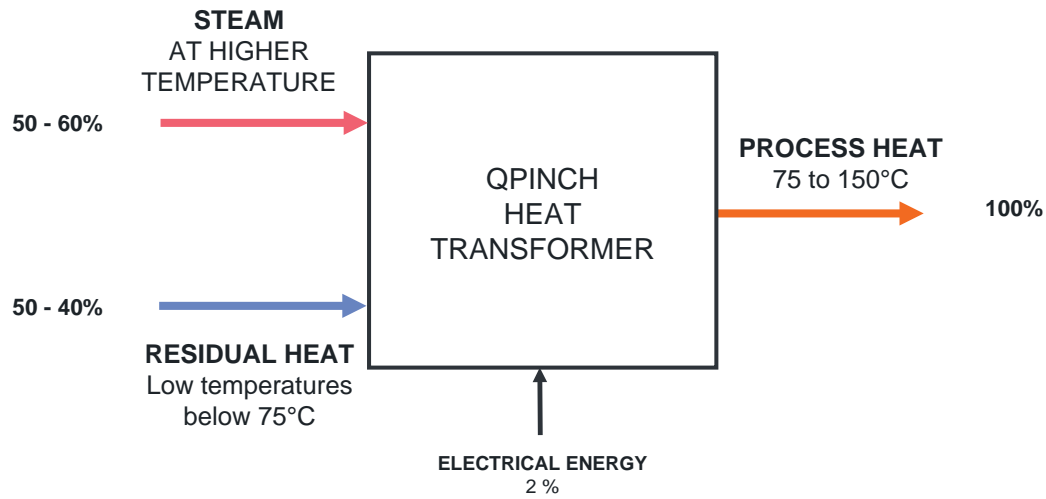
PRODUCT



HIGH TEMPERATURE APPLICATIONS



LOW TEMPERATURE APPLICATIONS

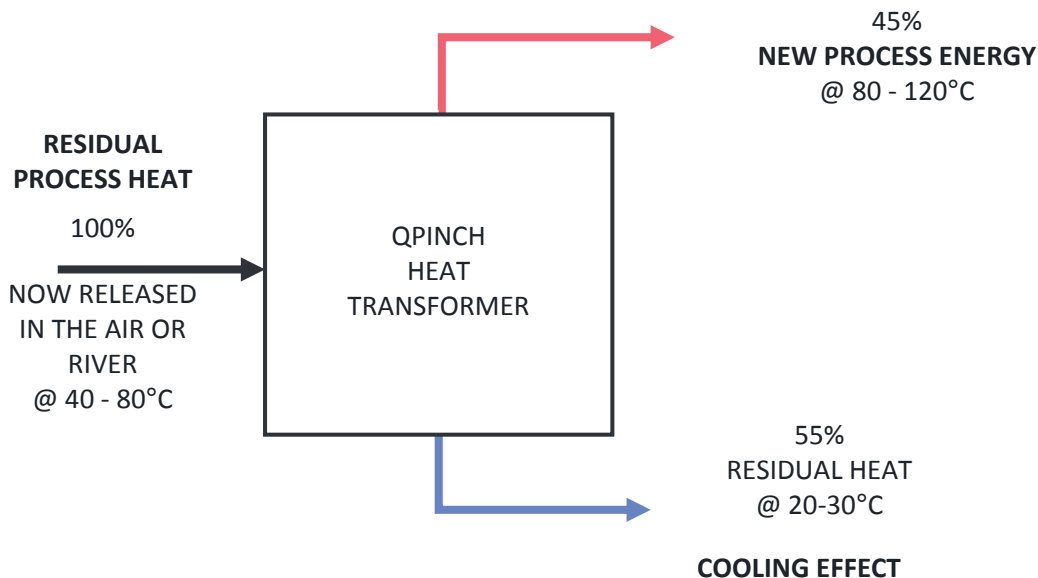


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SPOTVIEW SCOPE

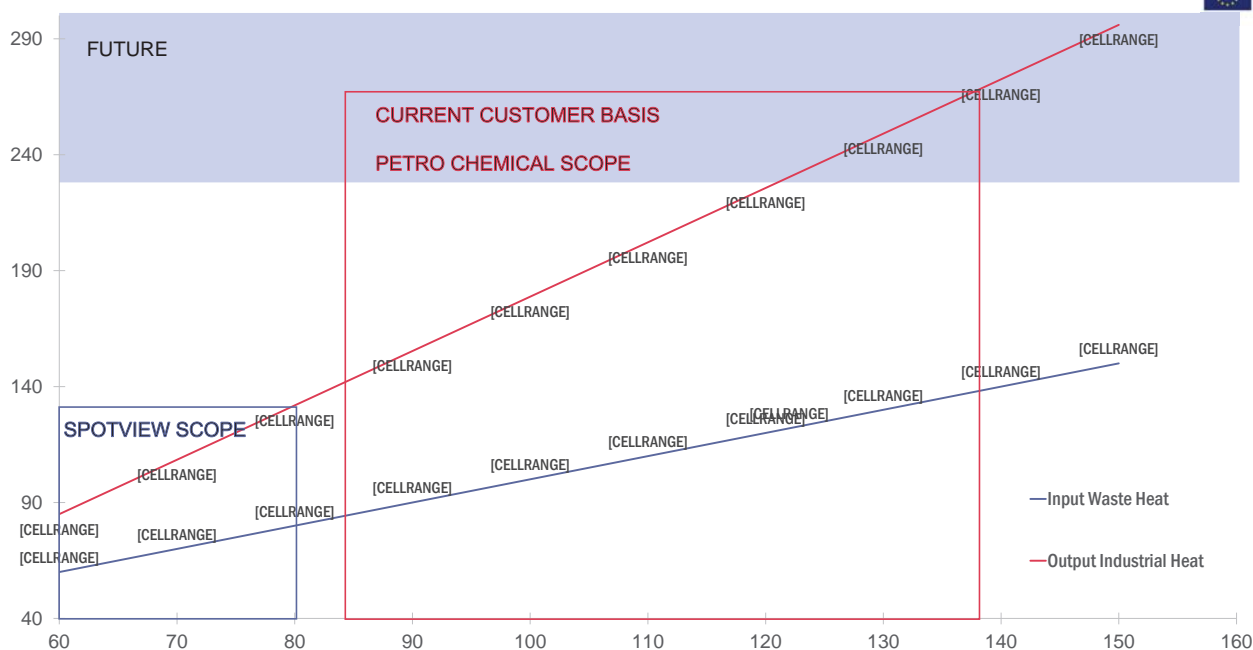


SPOTVIEWAPPLICATIONS



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SCOPE SPLIT SPOTVIEW <-> CURRENT CUSTOMER BASIS



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BACKUP SLIDES



CHALLENGES TO VIABLY TRANSFORM RESIDUAL HEAT INTO PROCESSS HEAT

QPINCH HEAT TRANSFORMER



YOU NEED LARGE TEMPERATURE INCREASES
AND
HIGH OUTPUT TEMPERATURES



INPUT TEMPERATURE FROM 25°C AND HIGHER
DELIVERS TEMPERATURE INCREASES OF MIN. 75°C (UP
TO 100°C)



LOW ELECTRICAL ENERGY COST
(LARGE OPEX KILLS BUSINESS CASES)



DELIVERS PROCESS HEAT IN FULL RANGE (80°C TO
320°C)
MARGINAL OPERATIONAL COST
(ALMOST NO ELECTRICAL ENERGY NEEDED)



LOW CAPEX FOR MEGAWATT SCALE



EASILY SCALABLE INTO HIGH MEGAWATT RANGES
(<> OTHER TECHNOLOGIES)



EASY TO BUILD
EASY TO IMPLEMENT
(EASY TIE-IN IN EXISTING ASSETS OR NEW
DESIGNS)



STANDARD CHEMICAL INDUSTRY EQUIPMENT
DEGRESSIVE CAPEX WITH INCREASING DUTY
(MEGAWATTS)



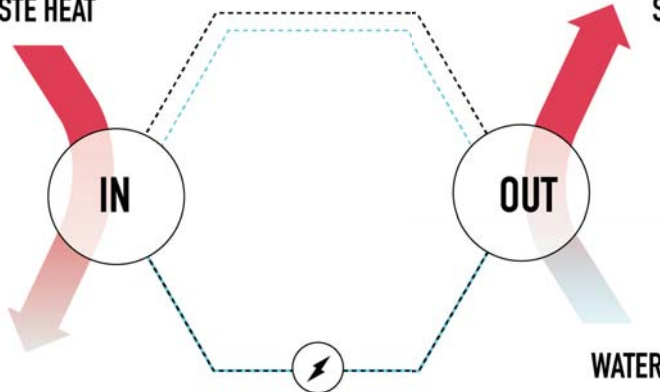
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CASE 1 STEEL

HOT water 70°C

WASTE HEAT

Hot water is cooled to
60°C to drive Qpinch unit
→ Less cooling water

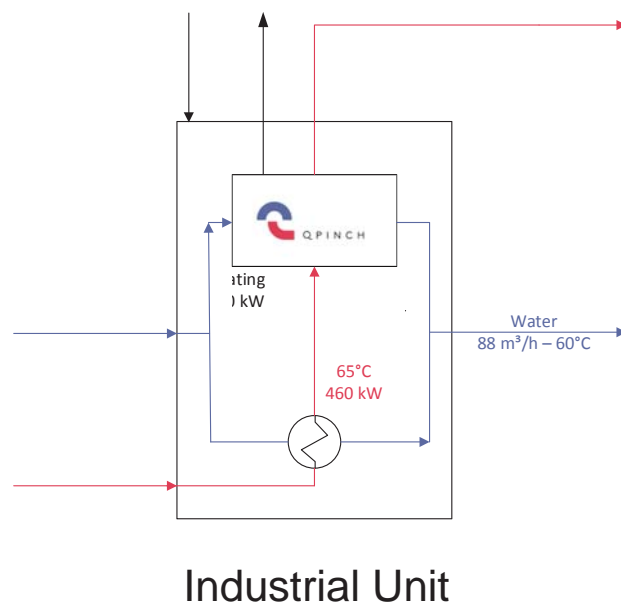
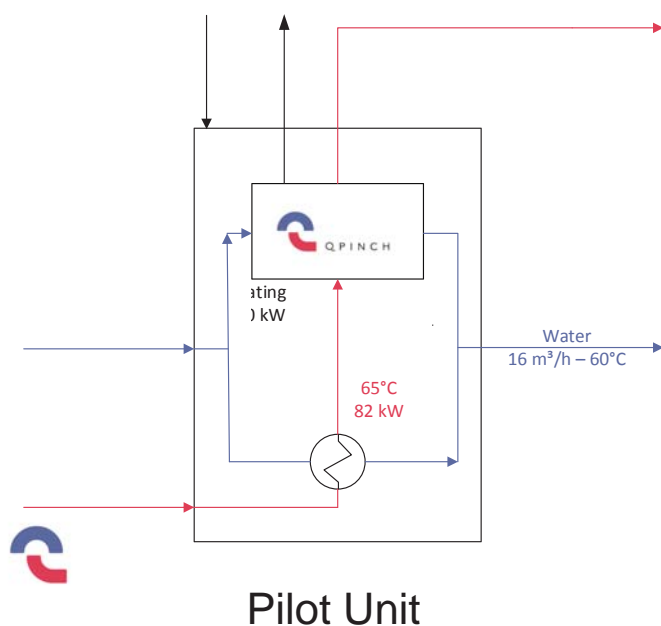


HOT oil
@ 80°C

Oil is heated by Qpinch
system
→ Less steam consumed



Case 2: Steel



CASE 2 P&P

Process water to
waste water
treatment plant
@40°C

WASTE HEAT



Water is cooled to drive
Qpinch unit together with
the consumption of steam

→ Less cooling water

STEAM



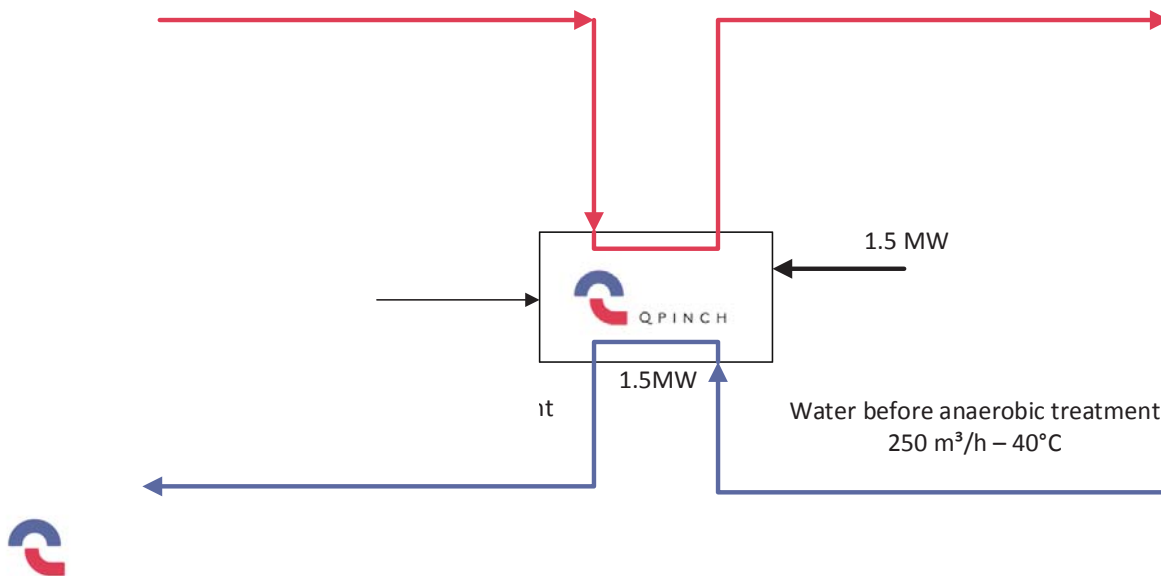
Heated stock
preparation
water

→ Less steam consumed

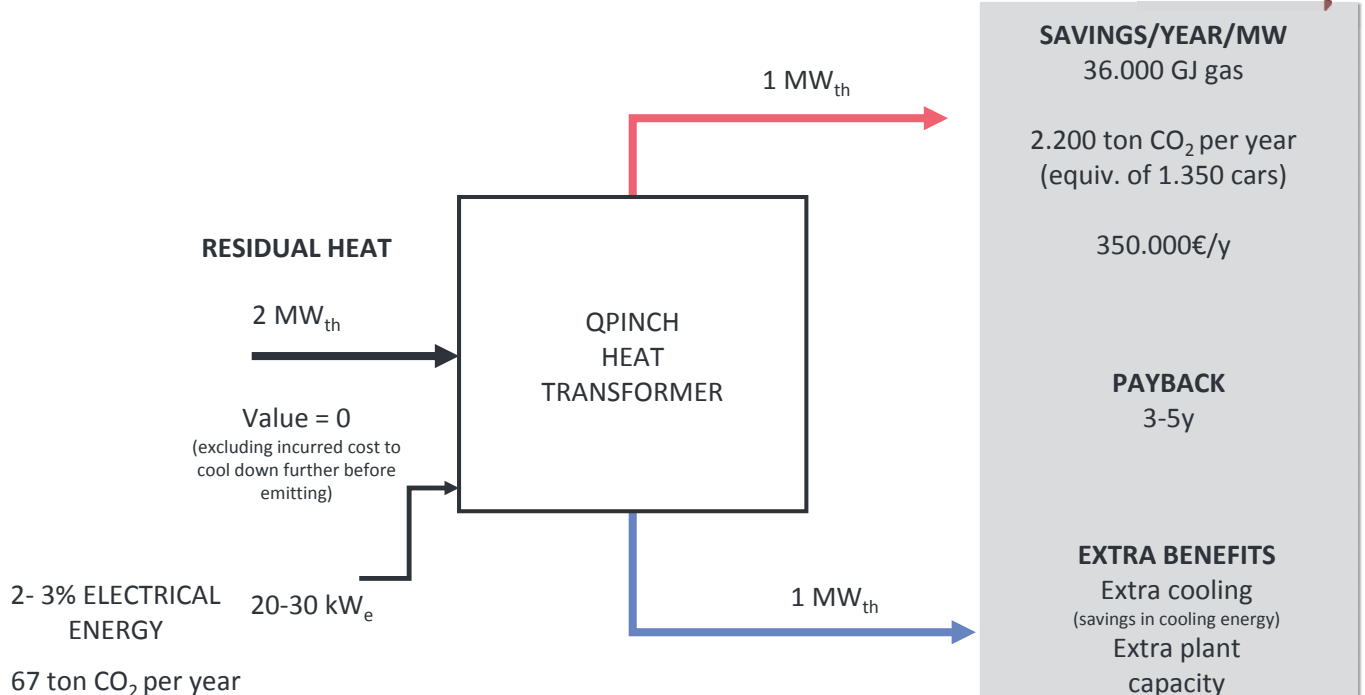
WATER



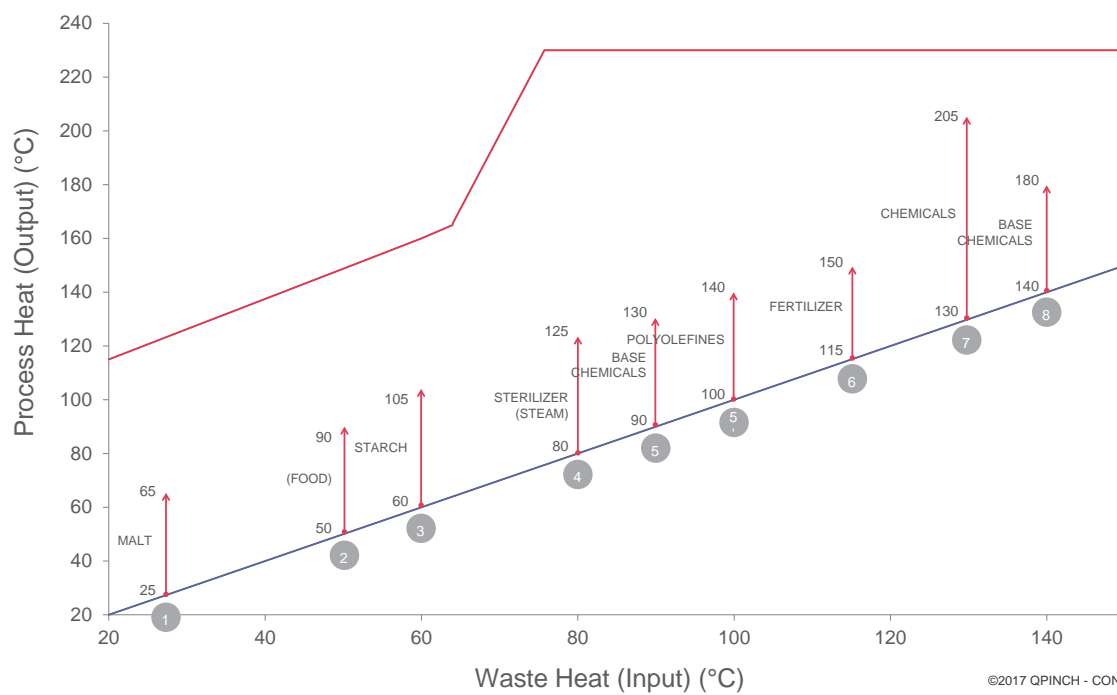
P&P Case: Water to anaerobic treatment



FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL BENEFITS



USE CASES



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akvoFloat: Innovative Flotation - Ceramic Filtration Process for Low energy Oily Wastewater Treatment

Proven Technology. Proven Expertise.



Company

COMPANY FACTS

akvola Technologies is a water technology company specialized in the **removal of non-soluble contaminants from hard-to-treat waters** in the most challenging operating conditions by means of **akvoFloat™ – a novel flotation-filtration process technology**. We design and sell plants based on the akvoFloat™ technology.

- **Founded:** 2013 (spin-off of the Technical University of Berlin)
- **Headcount:** 24
- **Honors & Awards:** Frost & Sullivan Technology Innovation Award 2017
Water Innovation Europe 2016
IDA Award 2015
GreenTec Awards 2014
ACES Awards 2014



The Problem: Hard-to-treat industrial waters



Conventional technologies fail to treat hard-to-treat waters reliably and cost-effectively

HARD-TO-TREAT WATERS:

- High oil concentration (400-30.000 mg/l)
- High suspended solids load (> 5.000 mg/l) or turbidity (> 10.000 NTU)
- Unpredictable variations in flow and load
- High temperatures (> 40°C)
- High salinity (TDS > 50.000 ppm)
- High Harsh chemical environments (pH 2-13)



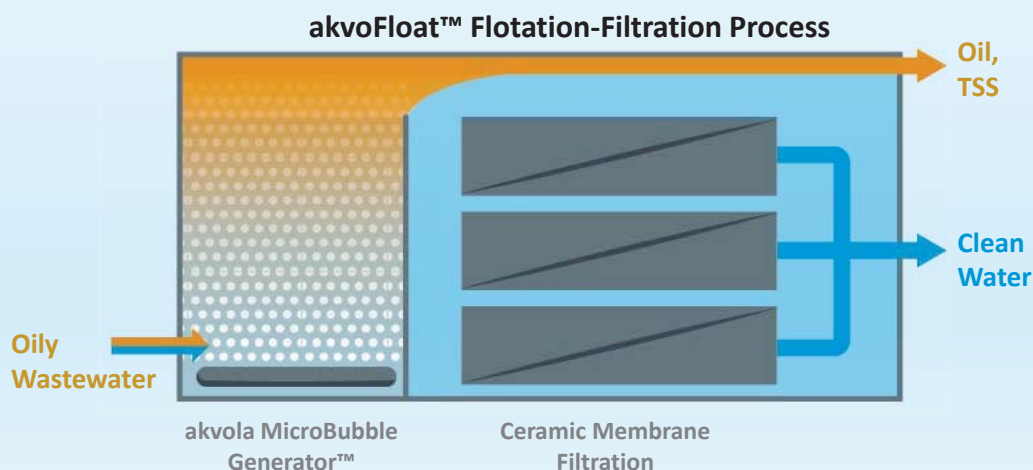
Industries:

- Metalworking
- Refining & Petrochemicals
- Upstream Produced Water
- Steel
- Food & Beverage
- Chemical
- Steel

The Solution – akvoFloat™



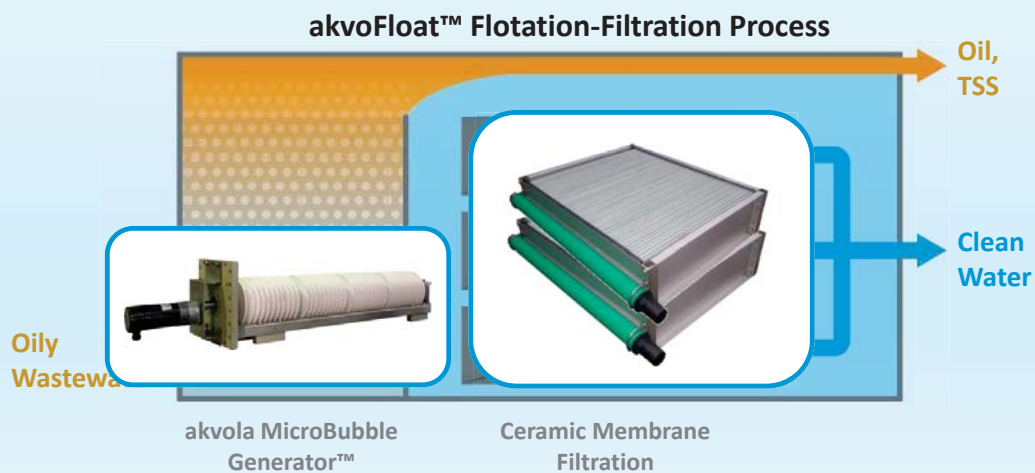
akvoFloat™ is a separation technology based on a proprietary flotation-filtration process. This process leverages the **akvola MicroBubble Generator™**, **novel ceramic membranes** and our **proprietary membrane cleaning strategies**, resulting in the most energy-efficient design on the market for **oil** (free, dispersed & emulsified) and **suspended solids removal** in hard-to-treat waters.



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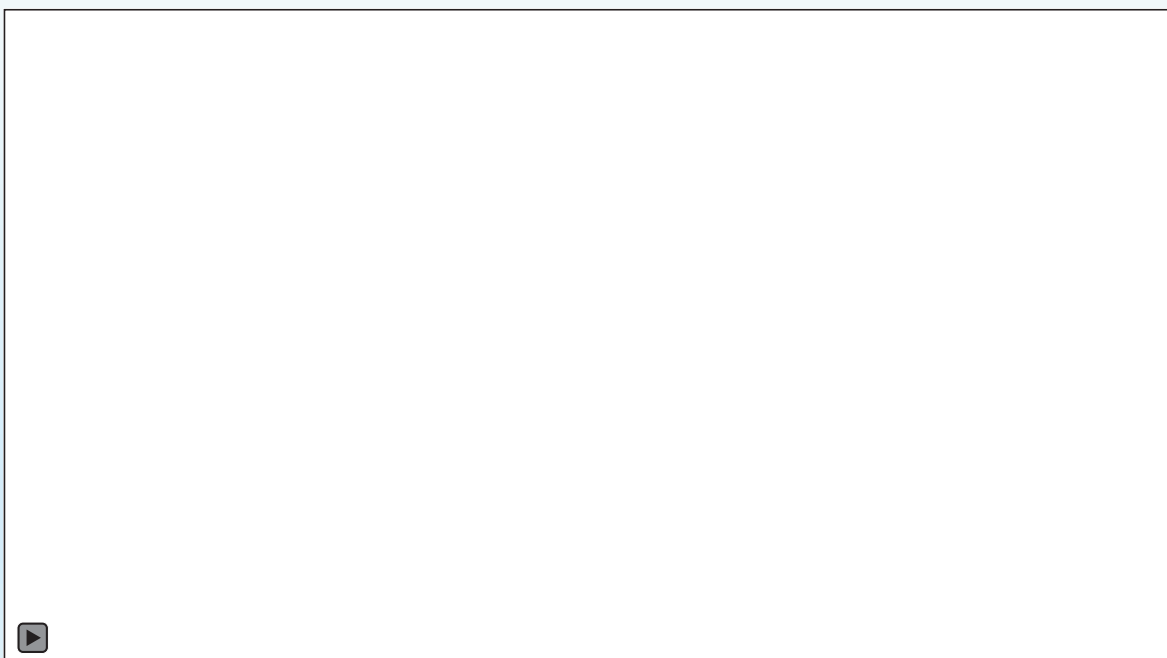


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The Process Technology – akvoFloat™

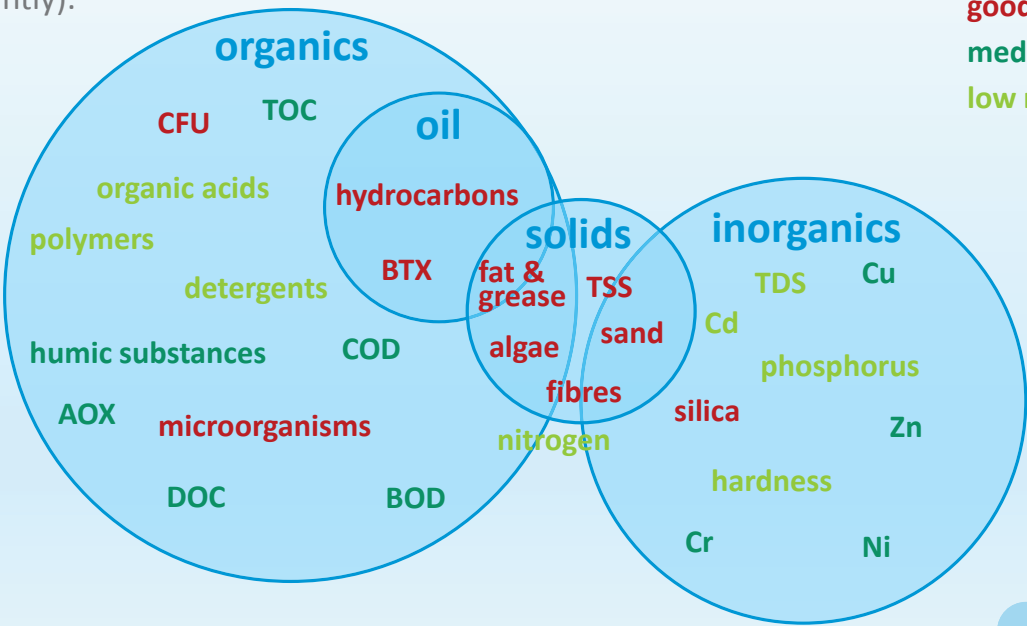


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Targeted Contaminants



akvoFloat™ reduces many contaminants (chemicals can improve removal rates significantly).



Innovation in Detail

Innovation #1: akvola MicroBubble Generator™

Microbubbles are generated with 90% less energy than conventional technologies

- Material: Al_2O_3
- Pore size: $2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$
- Average bubble size: $70\text{-}100\text{ }\mu\text{m}$
- Operating pressure: $1\text{-}1,5\text{ bar}$ (max. 3 bar)
- Air/Gas consumption: 15 NI/m^3
- Energy Consumption: $0,1\text{ kWh/m}^3$
- Use of any gas is possible (air, ozone, nitrogen, ...)

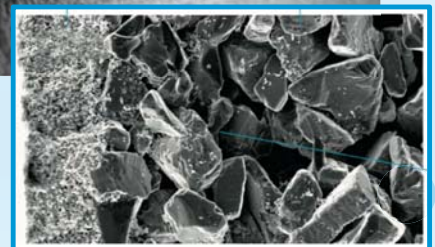
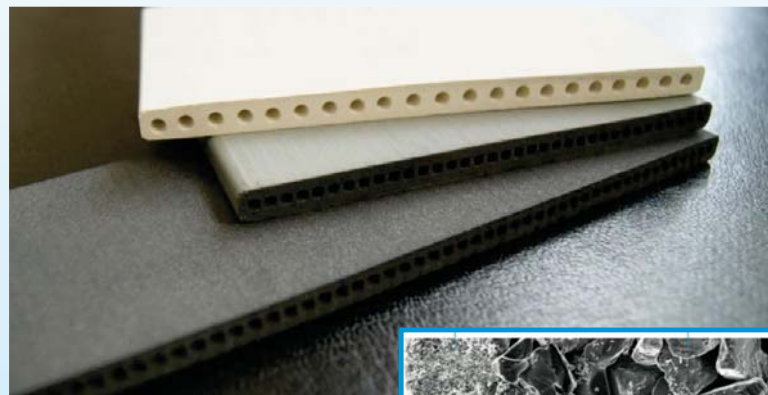


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Innovation #2: Filtration Membranes

akvola Technologies selects the right membrane for each application

- Material: SiC or Al_2O_3
- Submerged vacuum/gravity driven
- Pore size: $0,04\text{-}0,2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$
- Outside-in filtration
- Typical flux: $150\text{-}250\text{ l/mh}^*$
- Operating pressure: $-0,2\text{ to }-0,4\text{ bar}$
- Operating temperature: $10\text{-}70\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$



*In heavily loaded industrial wastewater

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Innovation #3: Membrane Cleaning Strategies

Conventional and proprietary strategies

- Chemical Enhanced Backwash (CEB): dosing of chemicals into the backwash water
- Cleaning in Place (CIP): soaking the membrane in a chemical solution
- **Proprietary Cleaning Strategy: akvoClean**
 - Fast oxidation by activating free Cl-ions
 - NaOCl and acid: good effectiveness, 5 min duration, preventive effect, low chemical consumption
 - Air Flush: “backwash” with air
 - Hot solutions increase effectiveness

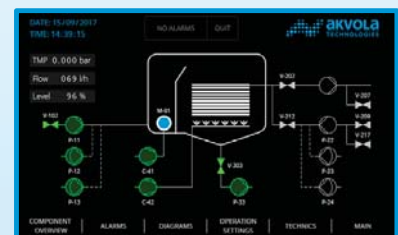


Before and after akvoClean (refining WW)

Innovation #4: Process Automation

akvoFloat™ can adjust to different conditions.

- akvoFloat™ units are fully automated and can be equipped with remote control.
- The optimal operation conditions are adjusted according to the feed quality:
 - membrane flux
 - backwash intervals
 - flotation bubble size
 - float layer removal
 - chemical cleanings



Markets & Applications



METALWORKING

- Minimize wastewater volumes and costs
- Extend fluid lifetime
- Treatment of metalworking fluids, die casting emulsions, washing and rinsing waters, deoiling baths, ...
- **More...**



REFINING

- Wastewater reuse
- Revamp secondary treatment
- Treatment of segregated effluents: desalter effluent, tank bottom draws, ...
- Hydrocarbon recovery
- **More...**



**UPSTREAM
OIL & GAS**

- Produced water reuse (PWRI, EOR, SAGD)
- Meet offshore discharge limits
- **More...**



STEEL

- Wastewater reuse (e.g. sand filter backwash)
- Treatment of cooling water from a direct contact circuit
- Process water from pickling and organic coating
- **More...**

Benefits of our akvoFloat™ systems

- ✓ **Fast Payback Times** – between 12 and 24 months through the **95% lower energy consumption** and lower CapEx in comparison to evaporators and conventional flotation-filtration treatment trains
- ✓ **Less Waste** (< 5%) – through a **high water recovery** rate
- ✓ **No Irreversible Fouling** – Membrane permeability can always be recovered through our **innovative cleaning strategies**, even in hard-to-treat waters
- ✓ **High Removal Efficiency** – from very high to very low concentrations **in one single step** reliably



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Treatment of Dairy and Paper & Pulp Effluents using Elevated Pressure Sonication

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Introduction



Dairy Industry Water Usage (ref: BREF doc)

- Water consumption is mainly associated with cleaning operations
 - Surface and ground/potable water for cooling
 - Flushing
 - CIP
- Reasonably efficient water consumption $\sim 1\text{-}5\text{m}^3/\text{m}^3$ of milk
- Wastewater is the main environmental issue in the dairy processing industry

Dairy Industry

- Wastewater volume in a well managed installation is reported to be 1-2 m³/m³ of milk
- However, this is not typical in current dairy installations where approximate values are closer to:-
 - Milk, Cream, Yoghurt – 3m³/m³ of milk
 - Butter, Cheese – 4m³/m³ of milk
 - Dry milk, whey – 5m³/m³ of milk
- Average COD for dairy wastewater ~ 3000mg/l
- Volumes range 500m³ – 1000m³ per day
- Cost of WWTP €1M – €1.5M per annum

Context

Dairy Industry

- A significant portion of dairy wastewater COD results from skimming cream from milk using separator centrifuges and bacto-centrifuges
- 'Desludge' makes up 0.1 - 0.15% volume of the milk feed
- High in bacterial load 10⁷ - 10⁸ cfu/ml and highly unstable
- Thermal treatment can cause bacterially induced solidification of protein/solids
- Bactofuge 14 - 16% protein, 20% solids
- Separator 3.5 - 4% protein, 10% solids

Dairy Industry

- Separator/Bactofuge can account for ~2000mg/l COD in effluent of a single large dairy facility
- Effective recovery and stabilisation could achieve significant WWTP circa €0.5M cost savings and create value recovery
- 60 – 90 tonnes per annum of dry protein recovery potential
- Therefore, potential for value recovery
- Use as animal feed ingredient or other high value protein supplementation

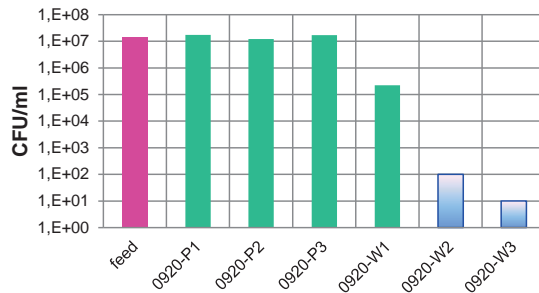
Elevated Pressure Sonication - Dairy

- Patented technology
- High Pressure CO₂, low temperature 40-50°C
- Low frequency sonication
- Low energy input 5-30kJ/L
- Achieved up to 6.8 log₁₀ reduction in anaerobic and aerobic bacteria
- Enables stability and recovery of value chemicals

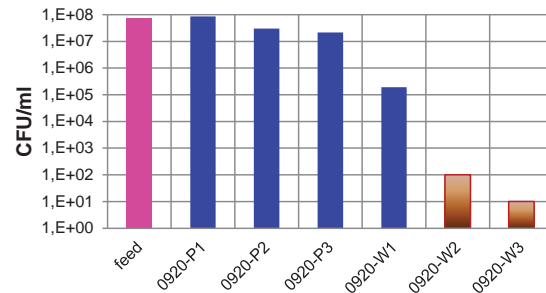


Elevated Pressure Sonication - Dairy

Aerobic CFU of feed and treated after EPS



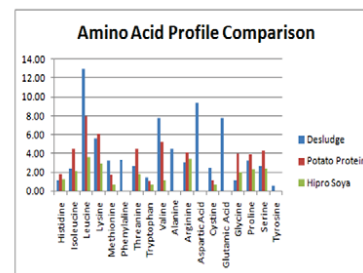
Lactic CFU of feed and treated after EPS



Amino Acid Profile

Material: Freeze-Dried Powdered

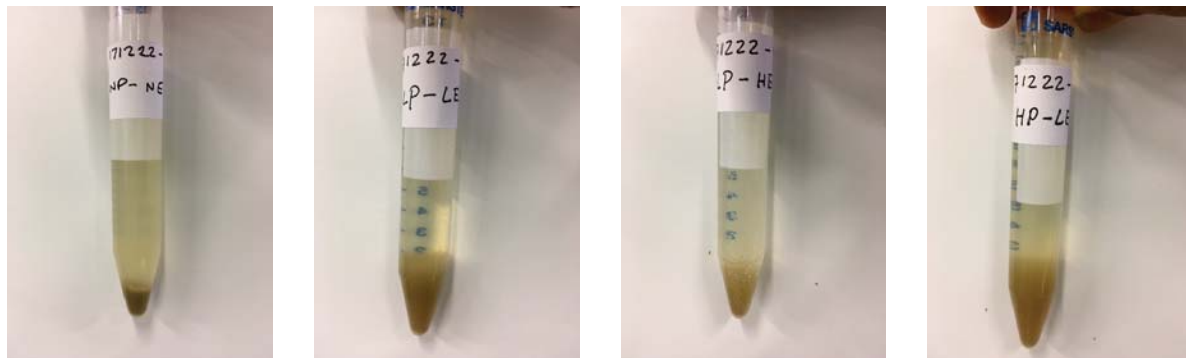
De-Sludge	Desludge Result (%)	Potato Protein Value (%)	Hipro Soya Values (%)
Dry Matter	96.80	92	88.5
Protein	75.21	79	47
Histidine	1.20	1.78	1.24
Isoleucine	2.40	4.42	2.11
Leucine	12.90	7.9	3.57
Lysine	5.60	6.04	2.91
Methionine	3.20	1.74	0.65
Phenylalanine	3.30		
Threonine	2.70	4.42	1.85
Tryptophan	1.40	1.11	0.65
Valine	7.80	5.21	1.15
Alanine	4.50		
Arginine	3.00	4.11	3.4
Aspartic Acid	9.40		
Cystine	2.50	1.15	0.7
Glutamic Acid	7.80		
Glycine	1.20	3.95	1.97
Proline	3.20	3.87	2.3
Serine	2.70	4.27	2.35
Tyrosine	0.60		



Elevated Pressure Sonication – Paper Industry

- Very high water consumption circa. 1000 m³/hr
- High COD loadings 4 – 6 g/l
- 50% Starch dissolved into water + Cellulose, Hemicellulose, Colloids, VFA's contribute to COD/TOC loads in effluent
- Biomass contributes to TS content which is difficult to settle and treat using conventional techniques
- EU paper industry seeking to reduce water intake and achieve zero discharge goals
- Alternative reuse, recycling and recovery techniques being investigated
- Elevated Pressure Sonication has been tested for value recovery and biocontrol concepts in the SPOTVIEW project

Elevated Pressure Sonication - Paper



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- In all cases where EPS was applied suspended solids appear to have expanded with treatment with a visible improvement in water clarity
- Treated samples appear to self-flocculate with no chemical addition

Elevated Pressure Sonication – Paper Industry

Paper and Pulp Effluent

Test	Characteristic	pH	COD mg/l	% Change in COD
0	No P, No US	7.1	1700	0
1	No pressure, low US energy	6.9	1700	0
2	No pressure, high US energy	7.4	1800	+ 5.9
3	Low pressure, low US energy	6.1	2200	+ 29
4	Low pressure, high US energy	6.7	3800	+ 124
5	High pressure, low US energy	6.0	2400	+ 41
6	High pressure, high US energy	6.9	2900	+ 70.6

- Increased COD when EPS treated, shows increased extraction of organic compounds for recovery

- Dairy – Desludge can be stabilized effectively and higher value protein concentrate recovered
- Dairy – Potential to reduce COD on WWTP significantly and achieve effluent treatment cost savings circa €0.5M for a large dairy
- Paper & Pulp – EPS trials showed good effluent clarification associated with extraction of organic compounds from biomass/solids
- Paper & Pulp – Good bacteria kill effect on effluent samples to control bioactivity pre- and post UF

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Valmet Ultrafiltration for Tissue mills

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Spot View



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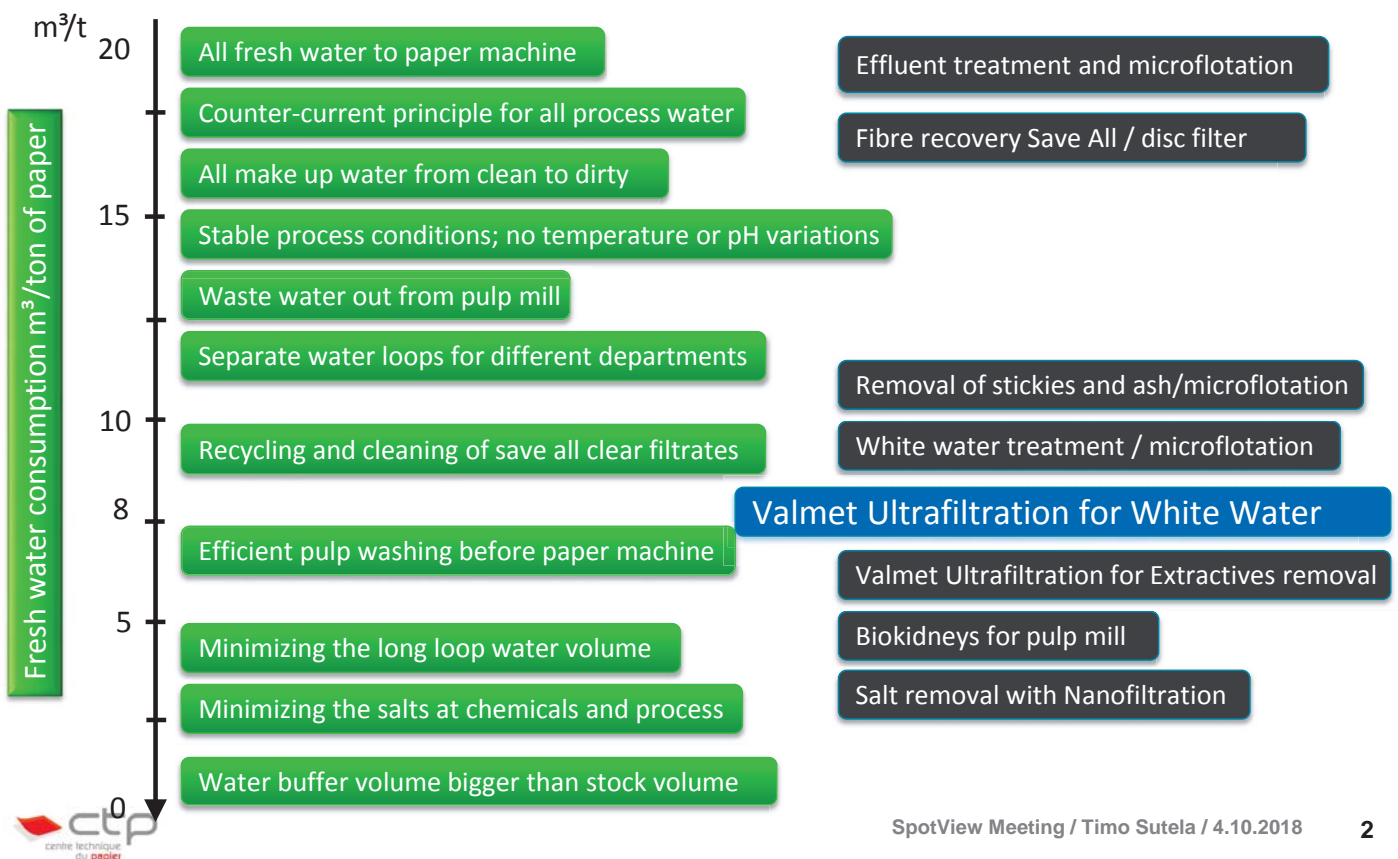


Fresh Water Reduction Steps to controlled reduction

Spot View



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Valmet Ultrafiltration T

Modular process for Tissue mill white water treatment

- Valmet Ultrafiltration T process is designed to produce colloidal and bacteria free ultrapure water from Tissue mill white waters to
 - Reduce fresh water consumption
 - Improve tissue machine runnability and efficiency
- Compact and modularized process
 - Includes all needed components for fully automated operation
- Membrane Technology solution with Valmet Ultrafilter CR1010-30



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Valmet Ultrafilter CR

Technical features

Valmet Ultrafilter CR1010/30

- Membrane area 42 m²
- Membrane diameter 1 000 mm
- Filter cassettes 30 pcs
- Membranes 60 pcs
- Motor 37 kW
- Size, ca 1,8 x 2,1 x 1,4 m
- Membrane pore size 0.02 – 0.05 µm

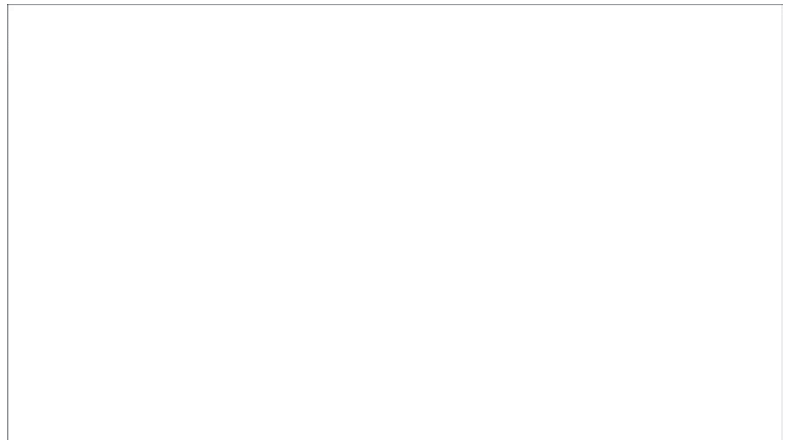


Valmet Ultrafiltration T

Cross Rotational - Technology

- Plate & frame module
- Polymeric flat sheet membranes
- Cross flow created by rotors
- High cross flow velocity ($> 10 \text{ m/s}$)
 - High turbulence
 - High and stable capacity
 - Low clogging of membrane
- Low pressure difference ($< 1 \text{ bar}$)
 - No clogging of membrane
 - High membrane life time

Valmet Ultrafilter



Valmet Ultrafiltration T

The product

The Permeate produced with Valmet Ultrafiltration technology is:

- Free from solid substances
- Free from colloidal material
- Free from turbidity
- Free from secondary and micro sticky
- 50-70 % less anionic trash
- Free from bacteria



Using permeate instead of fresh water decreases the overall water consumption in the tissue-making process and creates savings in the energy used for heating the fresh water.

A modern tissue machine consumes $5\text{--}15 \text{ m}^3$ of water per ton of paper.

With Valmet Ultrafiltration T solution the consumption is decreased by $1\text{--}2 \text{ m}^3$.

Valmet

FORWARD




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