

# Chemistry at the service of Industry



Biological WWTP  
Training Course 4/4  
technology overview



## Different main technology

Biological Treatment are mainly divided in the following category:

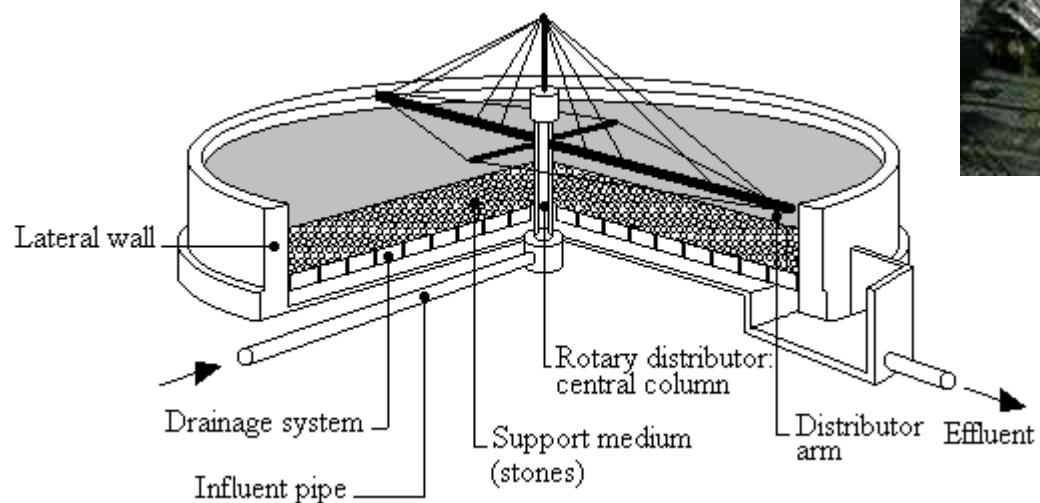
**With attached biomass** or on a fixed support, microorganisms develop on support materials (as: trickling filter, RBC, FBBR, MBBR, IFAS, MABR).

**A suspended or dispersed biomass**, in which microorganisms are agglomerated in colonies suspended in the liquid medium (activated sludge in general as: CAS, PFR, CCAS, Ox. Ditch, MBR, SBR).

**Granular Biomass** in which microorganisms gather in granular agglomerations with high settling capacity (as: AGS, SBBGR)

## Attached biomass

### Thickling filter



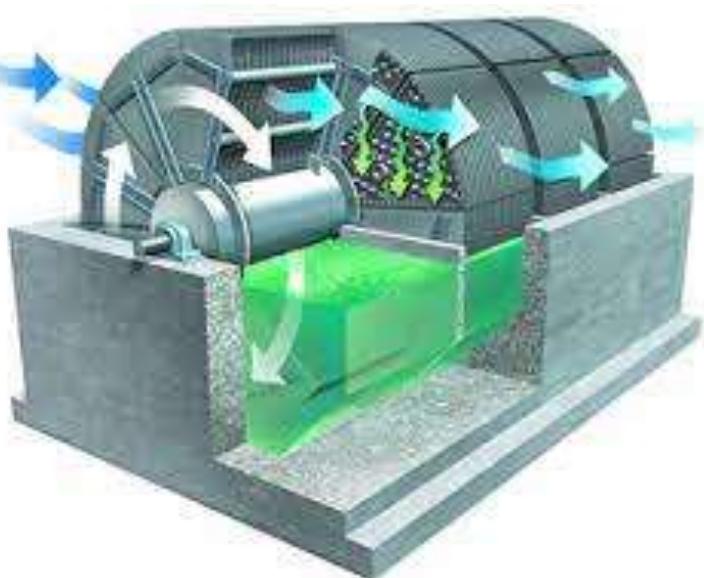
Also called Trickling Tower

Adv: simple, low opex, low capex, suitable for cooling waste

Dis: old, low performance, rigid, distribution system, odor development

## Attached biomass

RBC



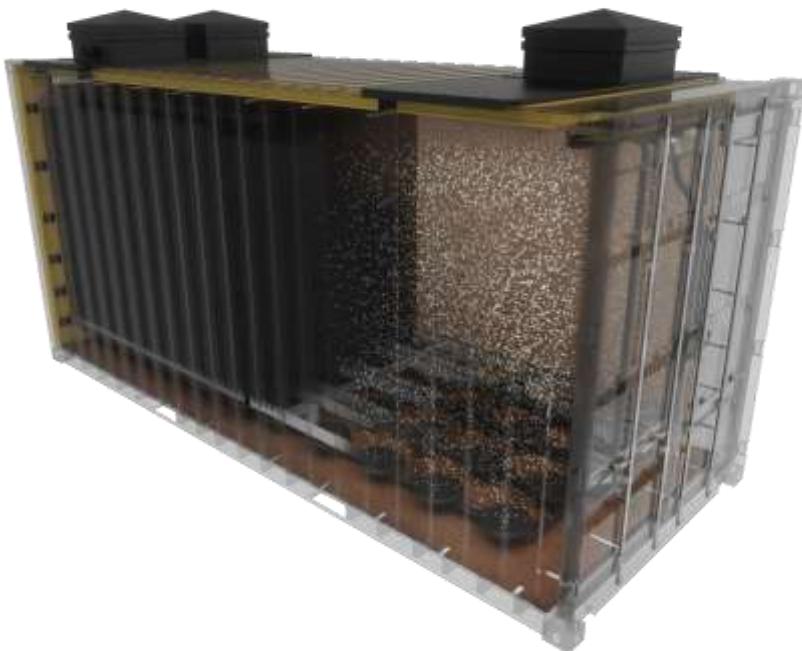
### Rotating Biological Contactor

Adv: simple, low opex, low capex

Dis: old, low performance, rigid

## Attached biomass

### FBBR



Fixed Biological Bed Reactor

Adv: low capex, suit. for upgrade, increase sludge age

Dis: easy to clogging, pre-treatments become critical

## Attached biomass

### MBBR



Mobile Biological Bed Reactor

Adv: low capex, suit. for upgrade, increase sludge age, space saving, reduce sludge handling, clarifier not needed, «hybrid» MBBR high flexible

Dis: pre-treatments become critical, «pure» MBBR quite rigid, carrier easy to clogging

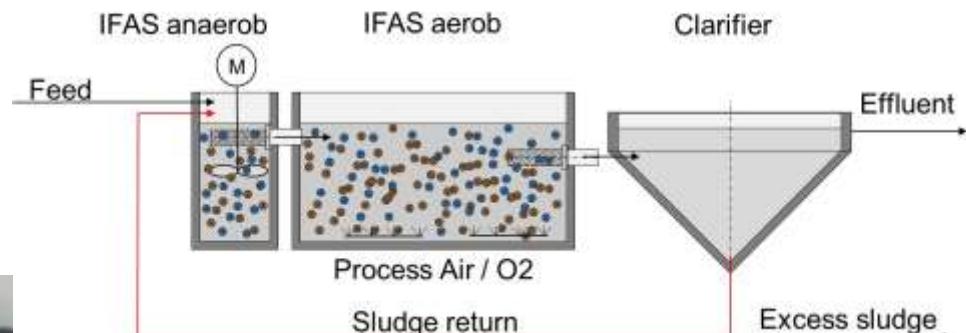
## Attached biomass

### IFAS



### IFAS

- Carrier
- Activated sludge



### Integrated Fixed Film Activated Sludge

Adv: low capex, suit. for upgrade, increase sludge age, space saving, «hybrid system» with high flexibility

Dis: pre-treatments become critical, carrier easy to clogging

## Attached biomass

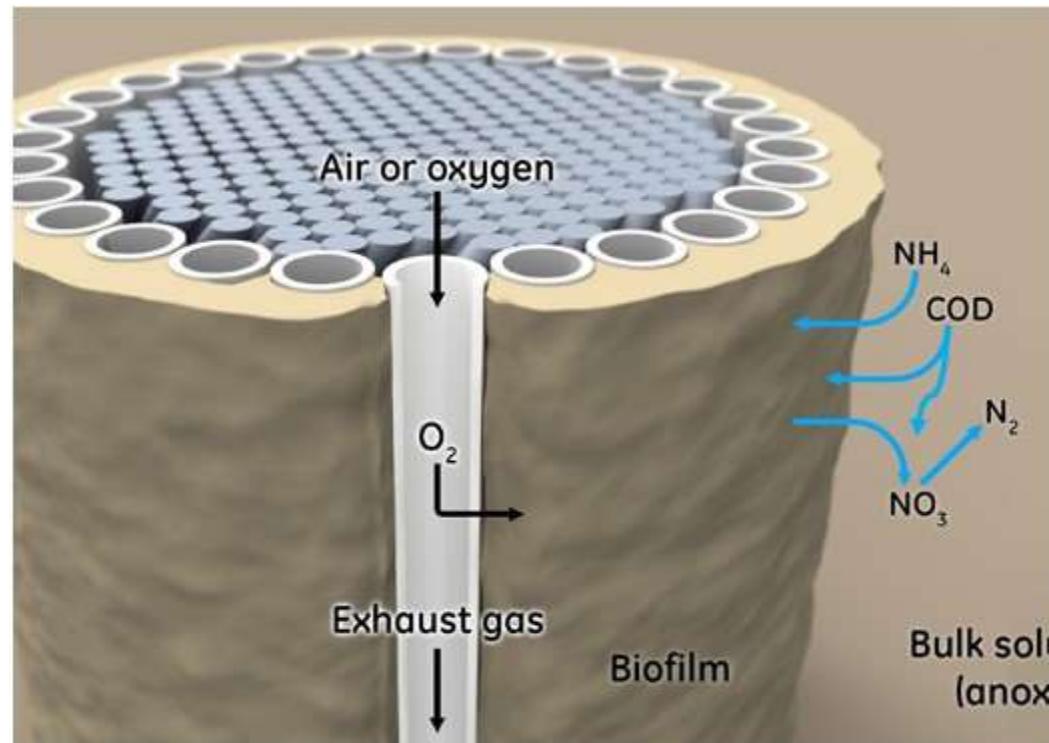
### MABR



Membrane Aerated Biofilm Reactor

NEW prototype technology using:

- membrane technology,
- low oxygen requirement,



## Dispersed biomass

CAS

Conventional Activated Sludge



Adv: good performance, sludge stabilization, low capex, toxic dilution, flexibility, reliability

Dis: bulking, overflow, f/m management

## Dispersed biomass

PFR

Plug Flow Reactor

Adv: good performance, sludge stabilization, low capex, f/m management, flexibility, reliability

Dis: overflow,



## Disperse biomass

**CAS** and **PFR** are suitable for more process configurations:

AO (Anoxic-Oxic) for DN-N and nitrification process

A<sub>2</sub>O (Anaerobic-Anoxic-Oxic) for EBPR process

CS (Contact Stabilization)

AC (Alternatig Cycles) for DN-N or EBPR process

# Dispersed biomass

## CCAS

Counter-Current Aeration System

Adv: low energy requirement,  
possibility to integrate with  
clarifier

Dis: mechanical failure



## Dispersed biomass

### Oxydation Ditch (Caroussel)



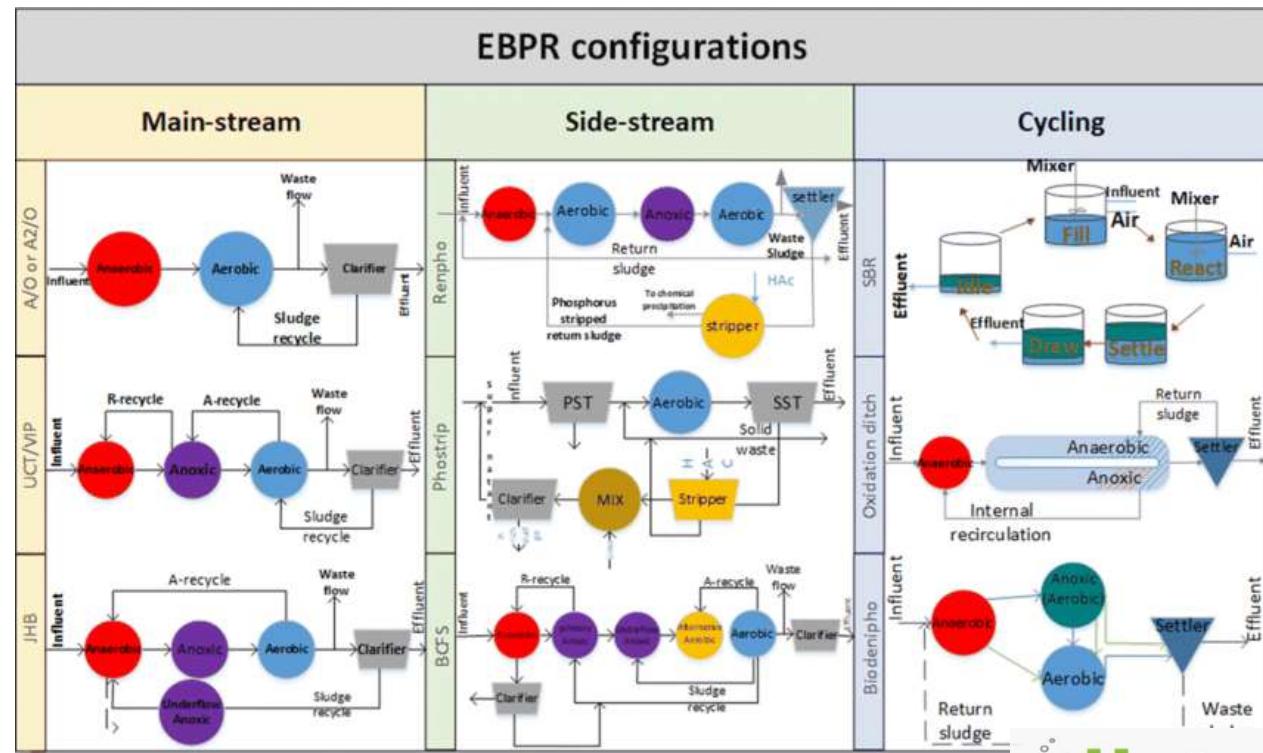
#### Caroussel

Adv: good performance, separated anoxic compartment not needed, M-L recirculation not needed

Dis: energy consumption compare to CAS/PFR

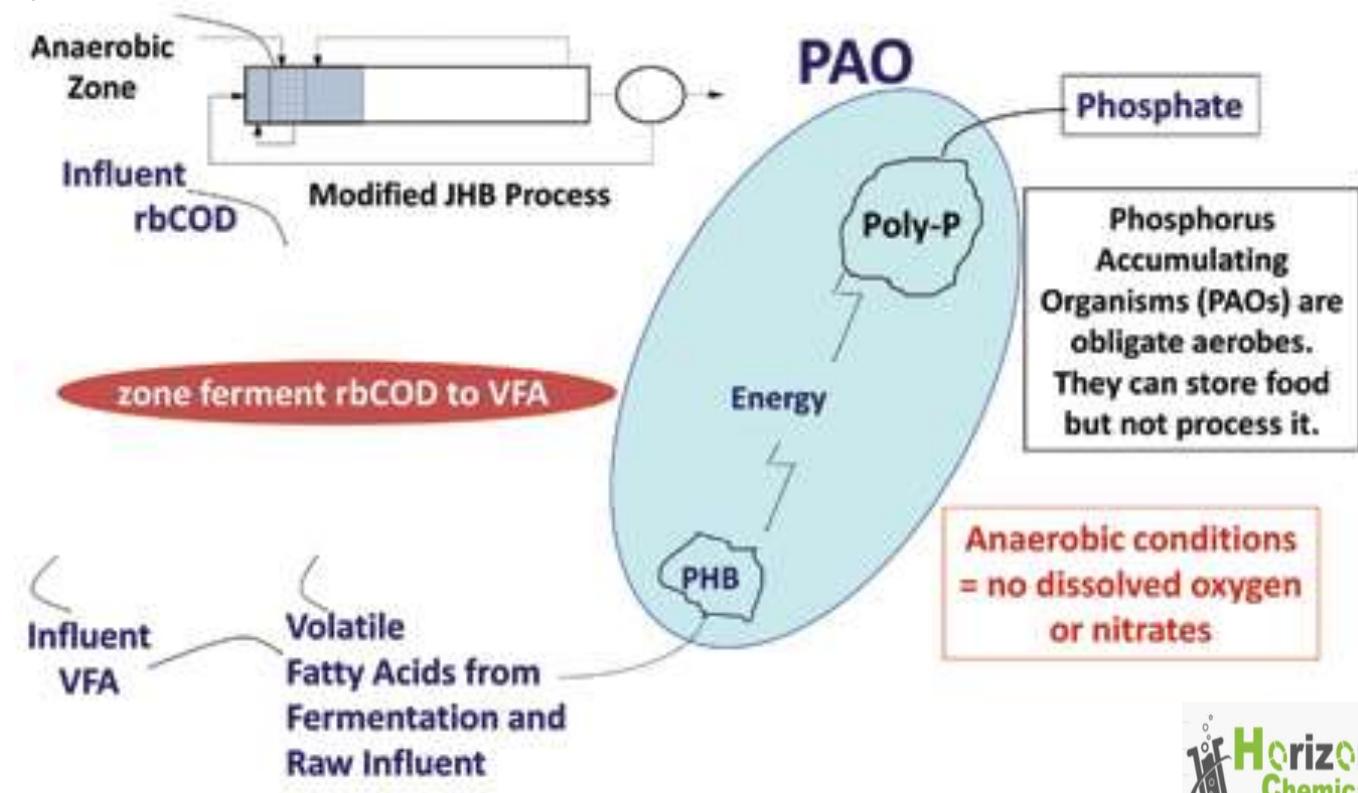
# Dispersed biomass

**EBPR** (Various multicompartments configurations,  $A_xO$ , Bardenpho, Side Stream 2s-EBPR,....)



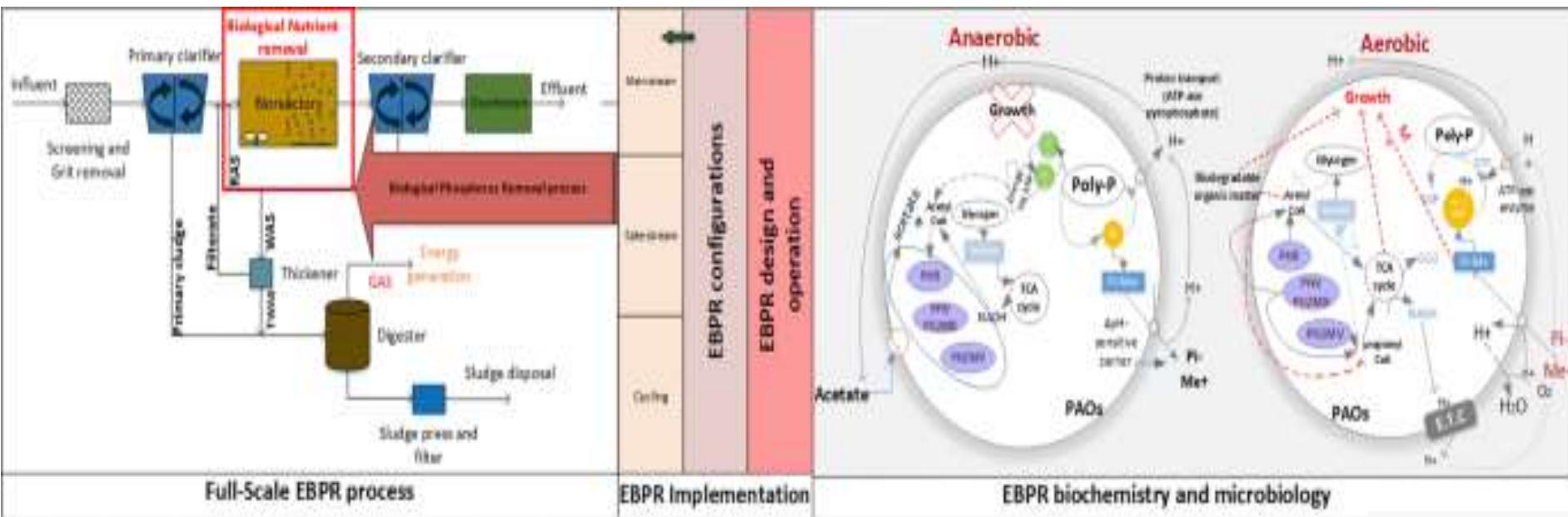
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## EBPR (generic pathway)



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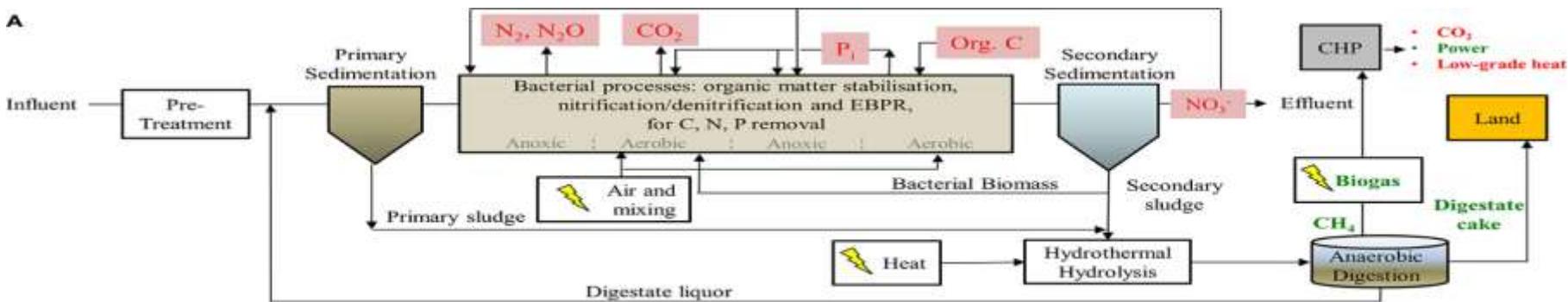


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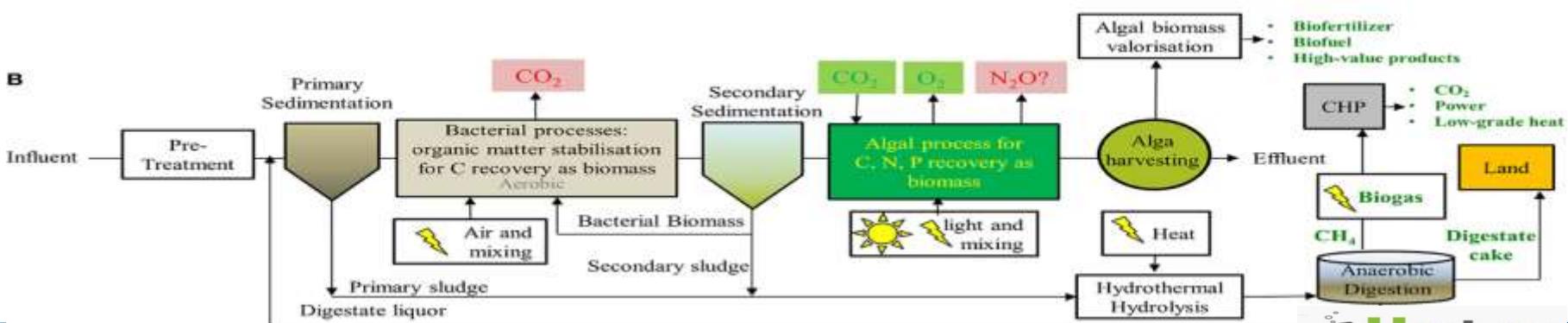
**EBPR (Algal process derivate's)**

**NEW** prototype technology

**A**



**B**



## Dispersed biomass

### SBR

Sequential Batch Reactor (BNR-EBPR applications)



Adv.: space saving, just one compartment  
all-in-one,

Dis: high automation costs,

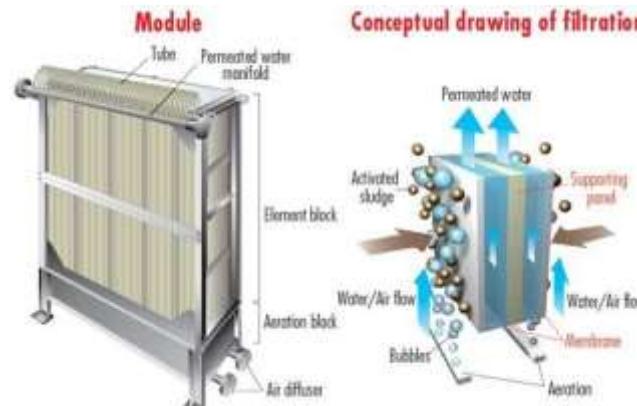
# Dispersed biomass

## MBR

### Membrane Biological Reactor

Adv: good performance, space saving, biocidal effect, no settling problem

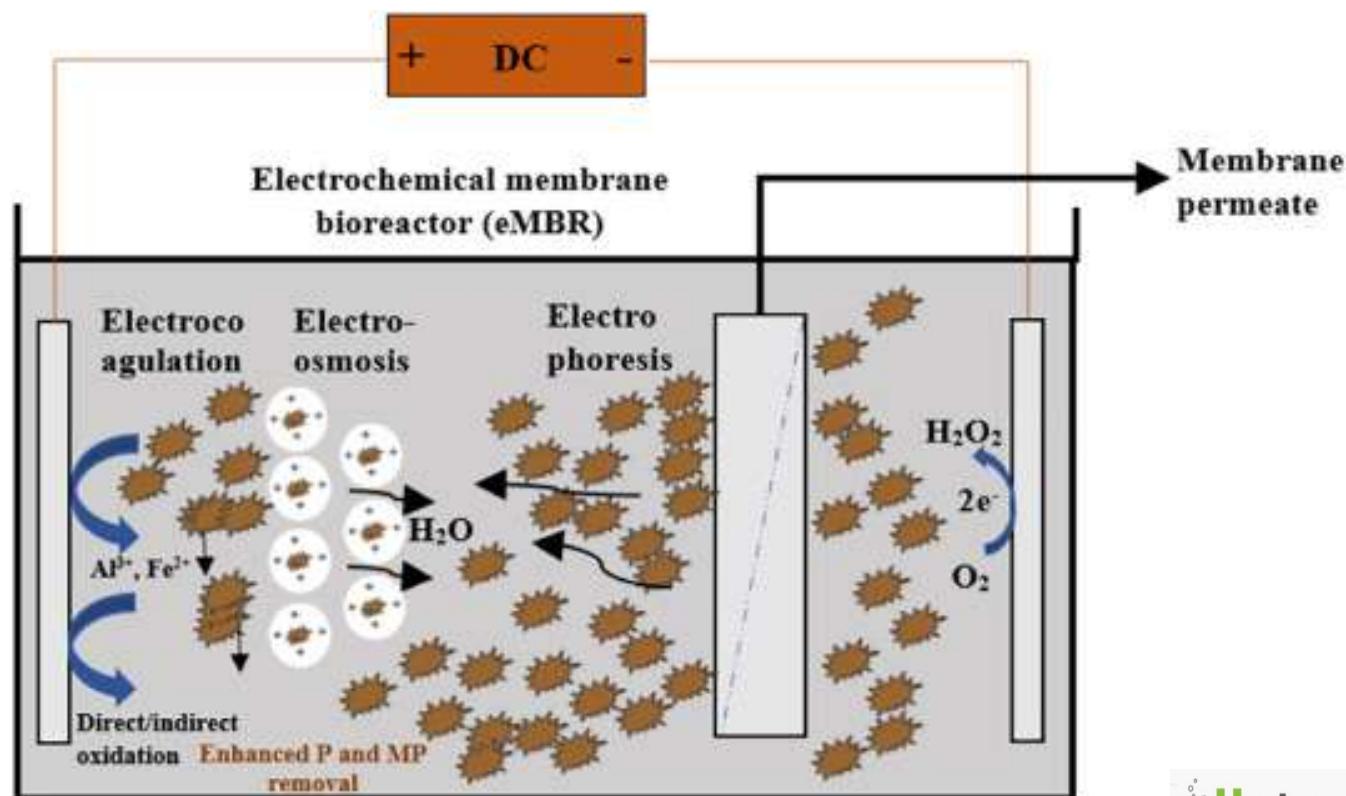
Dis: energy consumption compare to CAS, membrane fouling/clogging, chemicals consumption, automation costs



# Dispersed biomass

## MBR

Electro-chemical  
(electrophoresis)  
MBR

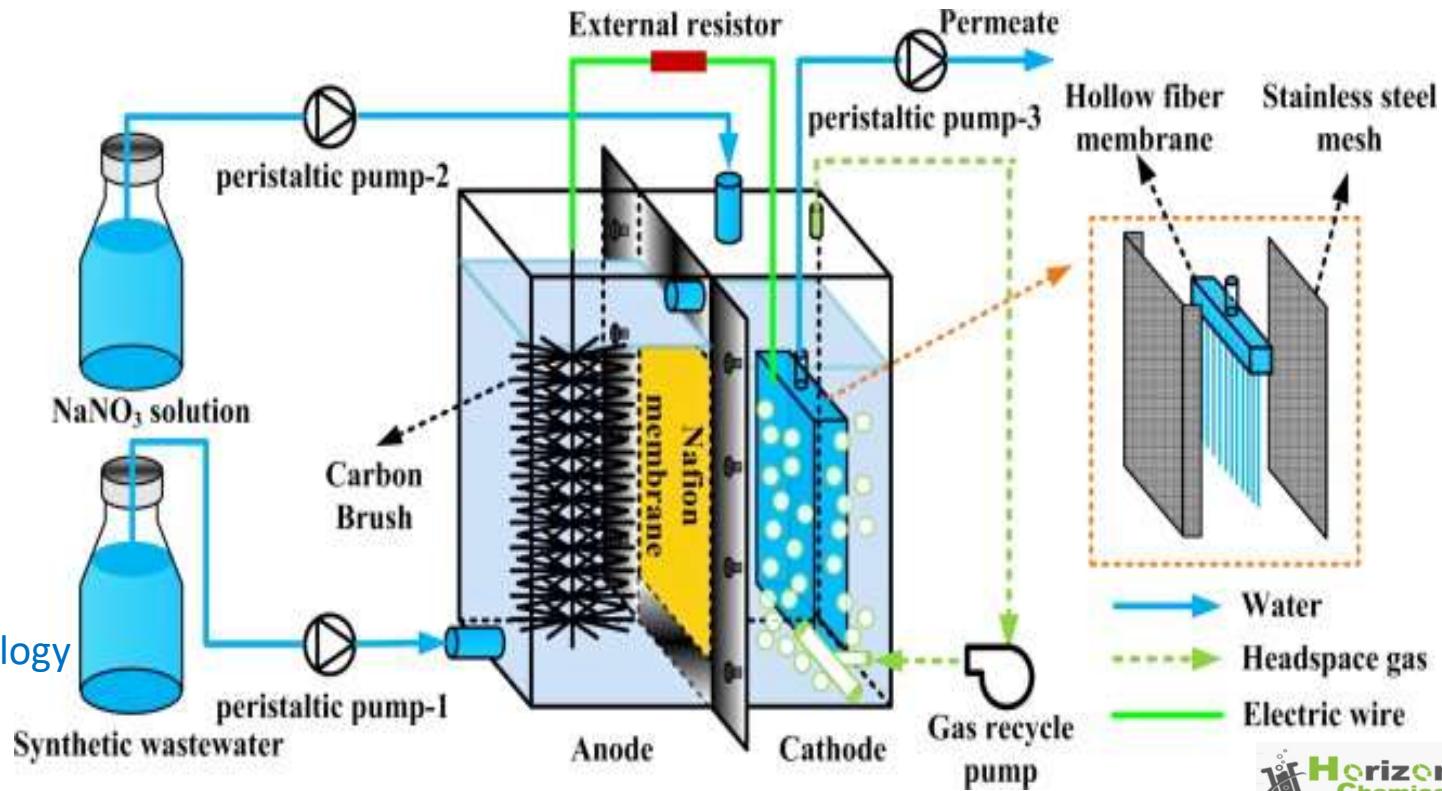


NEW prototype technology

# Dispersed biomass

## MBR

Electro-chemical  
Anaerobic-MBR  
(AnMBER)



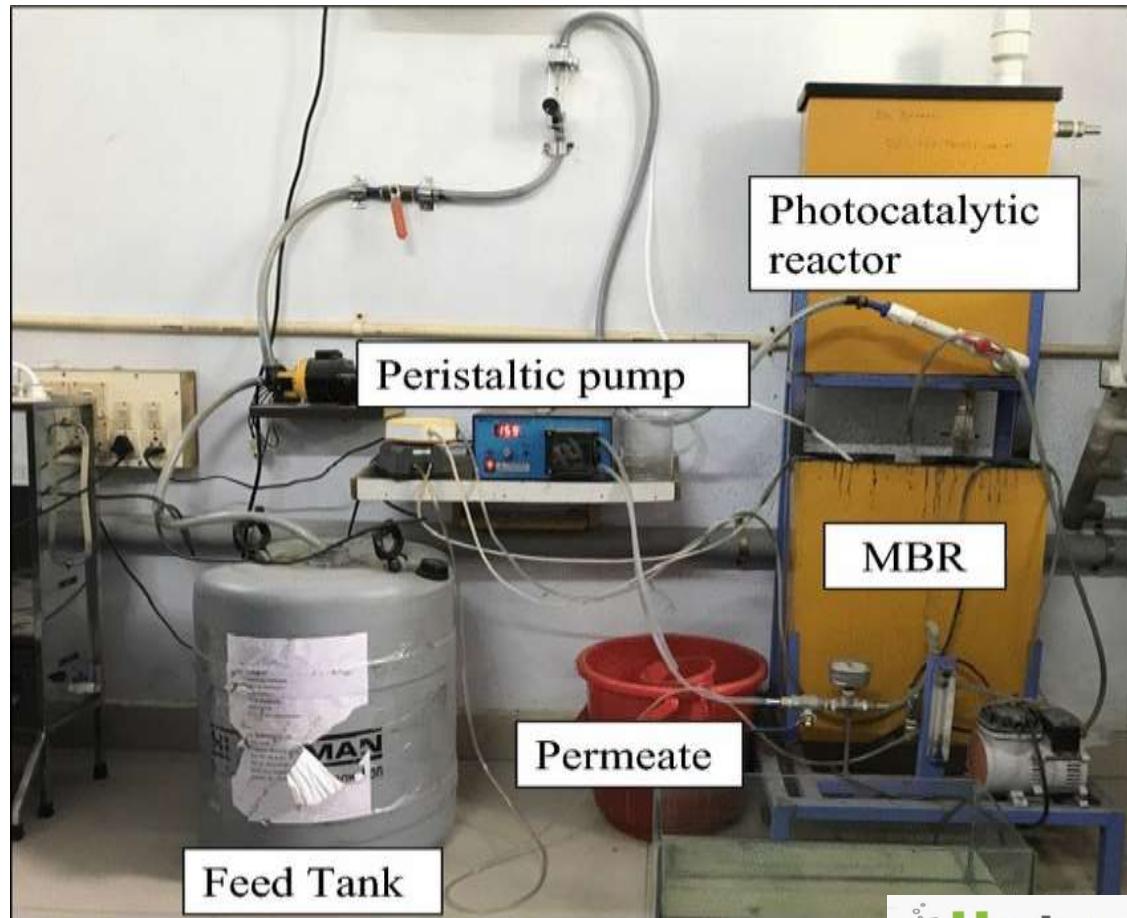
**NEW** prototype technology

# Dispersed biomass

MBR

Photocatalytic  
MBR

NEW prototype technology



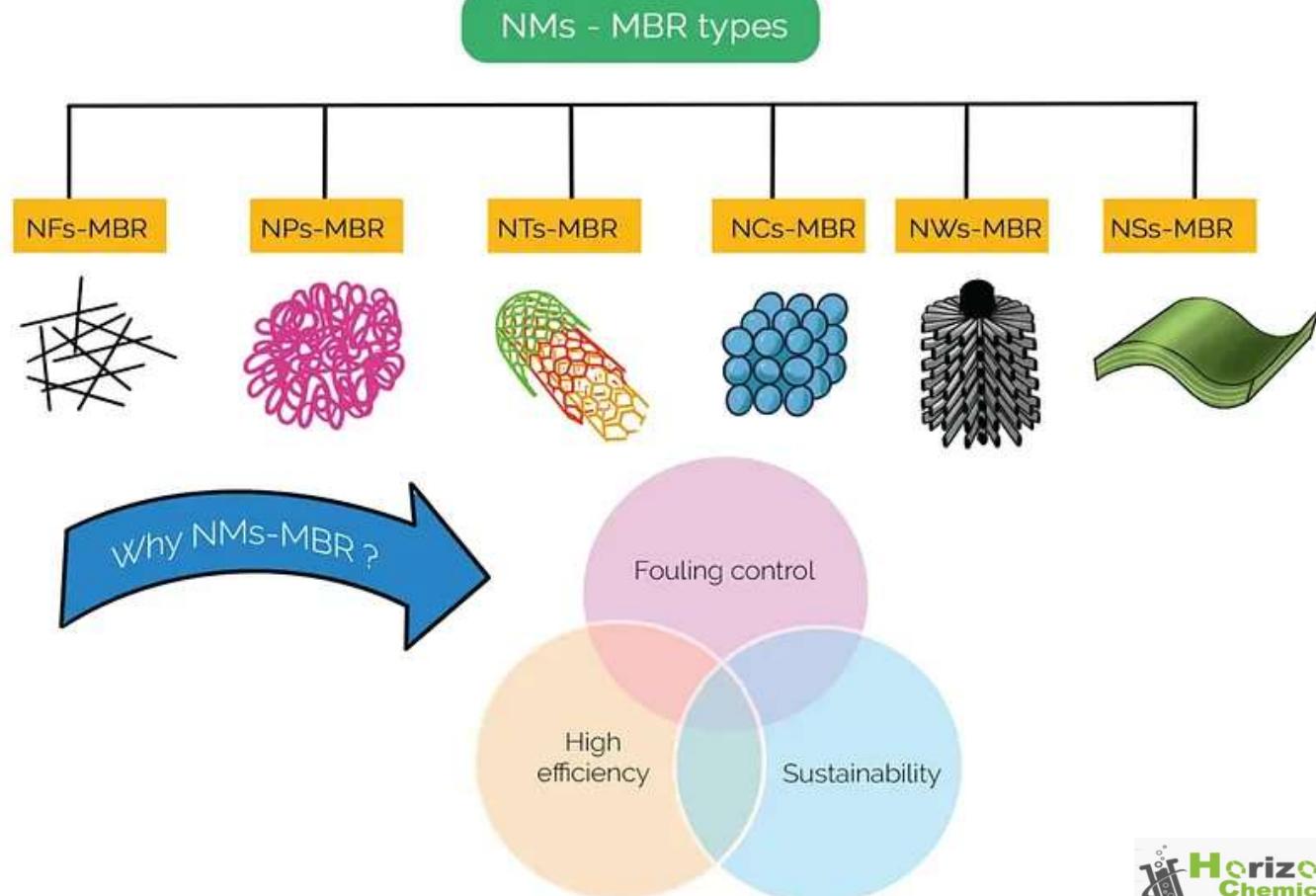
# Dispersed biomass

## MBR

NanoMaterial's  
Doped-Membrane

NMs-MBR

**NEW** emerging technology



## Granular biomass

AGS



### Aerobic Granular Sludge

**NEW** emerging technology

Adv: low sludge handling, very high settling capacity, space saving,

Dis: granulation difficult, base on hydrodynamic conditions



## Granular biomass

### SBBGR

#### Sequential Batch Biological Granular Sludge

**NEW** emerging technology

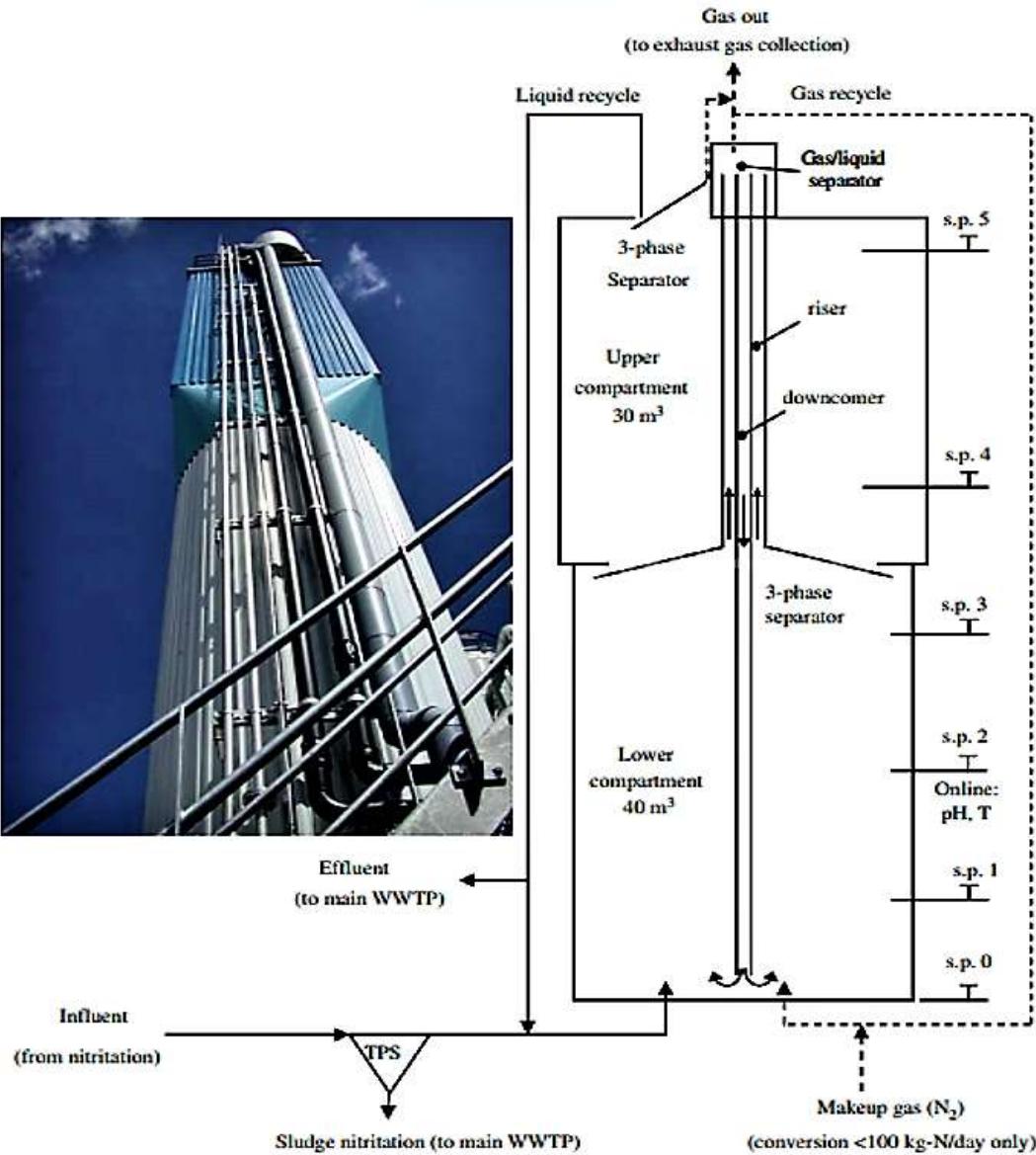
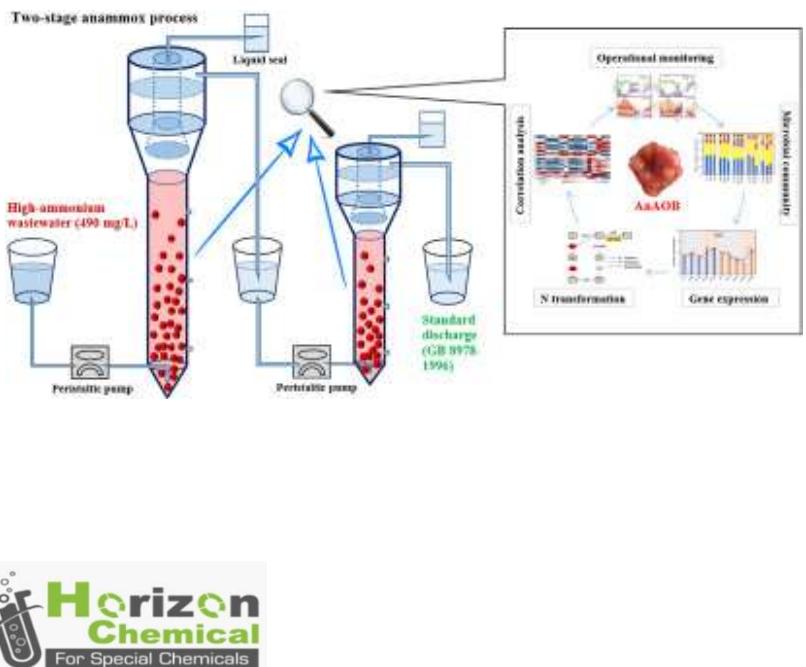
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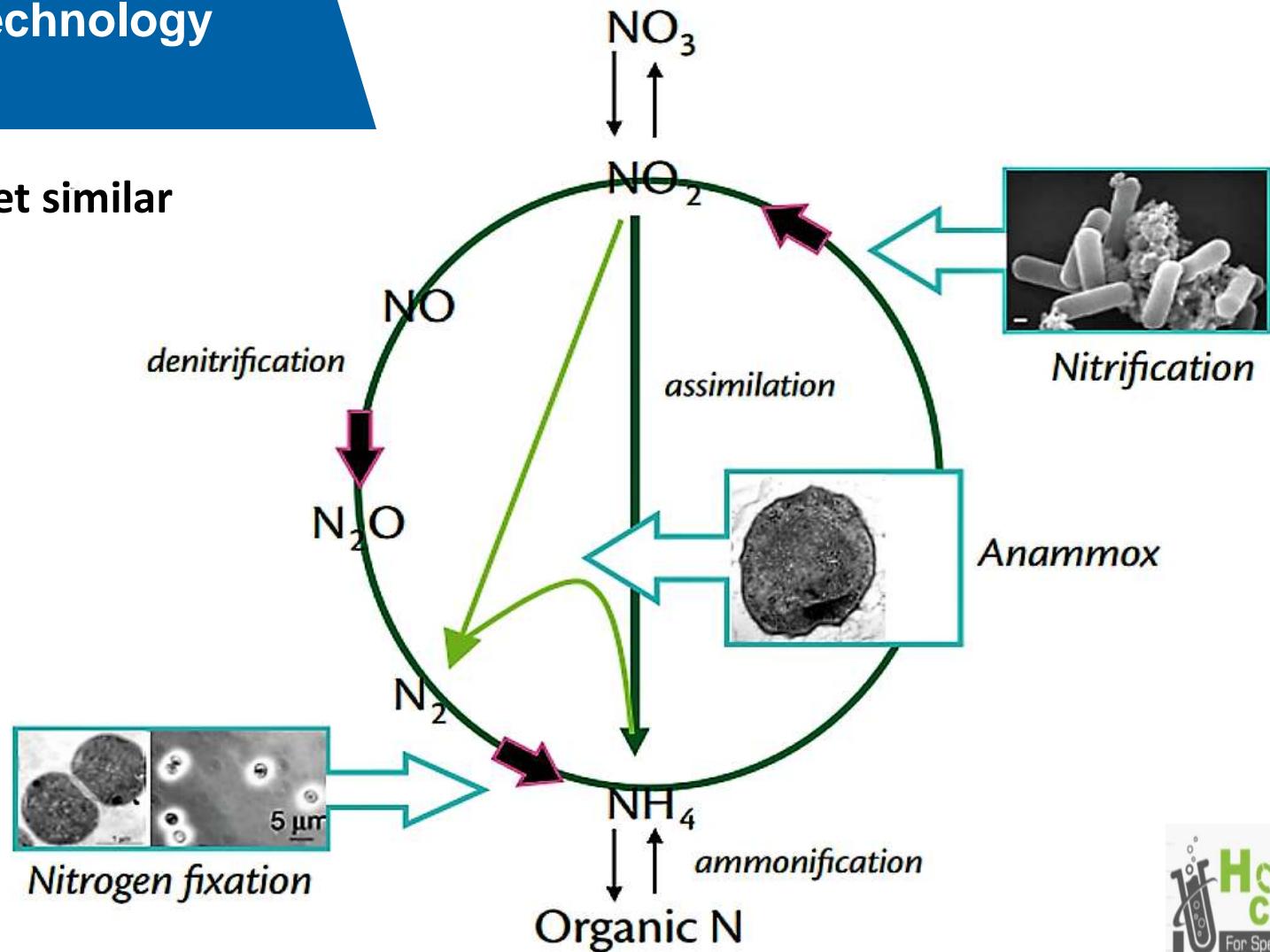
# Frontier technology

## ANAMMOX et similar



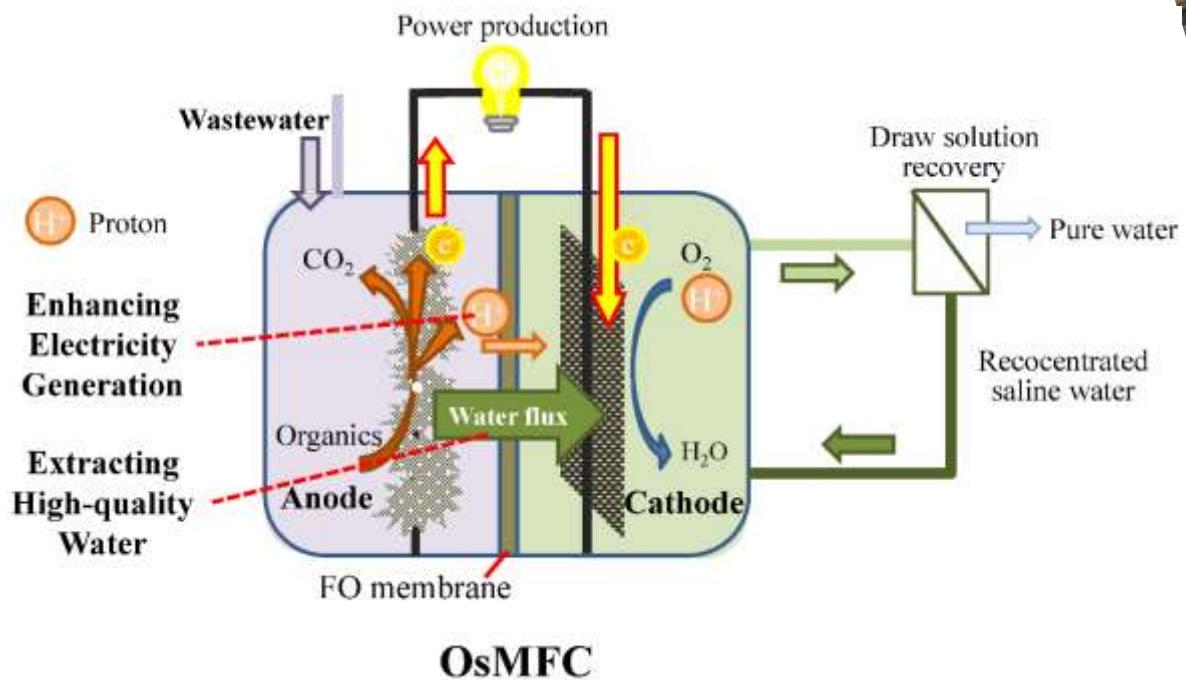
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## ANAMMOX et similar



# Frontier technology

## Microbial Fuel Cell (MFC)



# Frontier Technology

## PBR

Photocatalytic Bio-Reactor

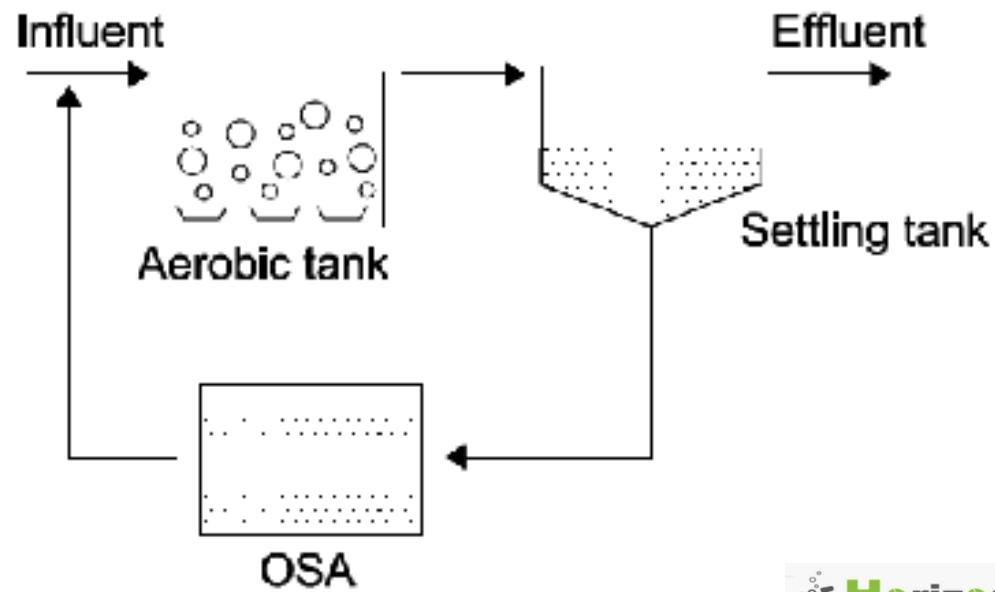


# Frontier Technology

## CME

Cyclic Metabolic Environment (Cannibal®)

For sludge waste reduction



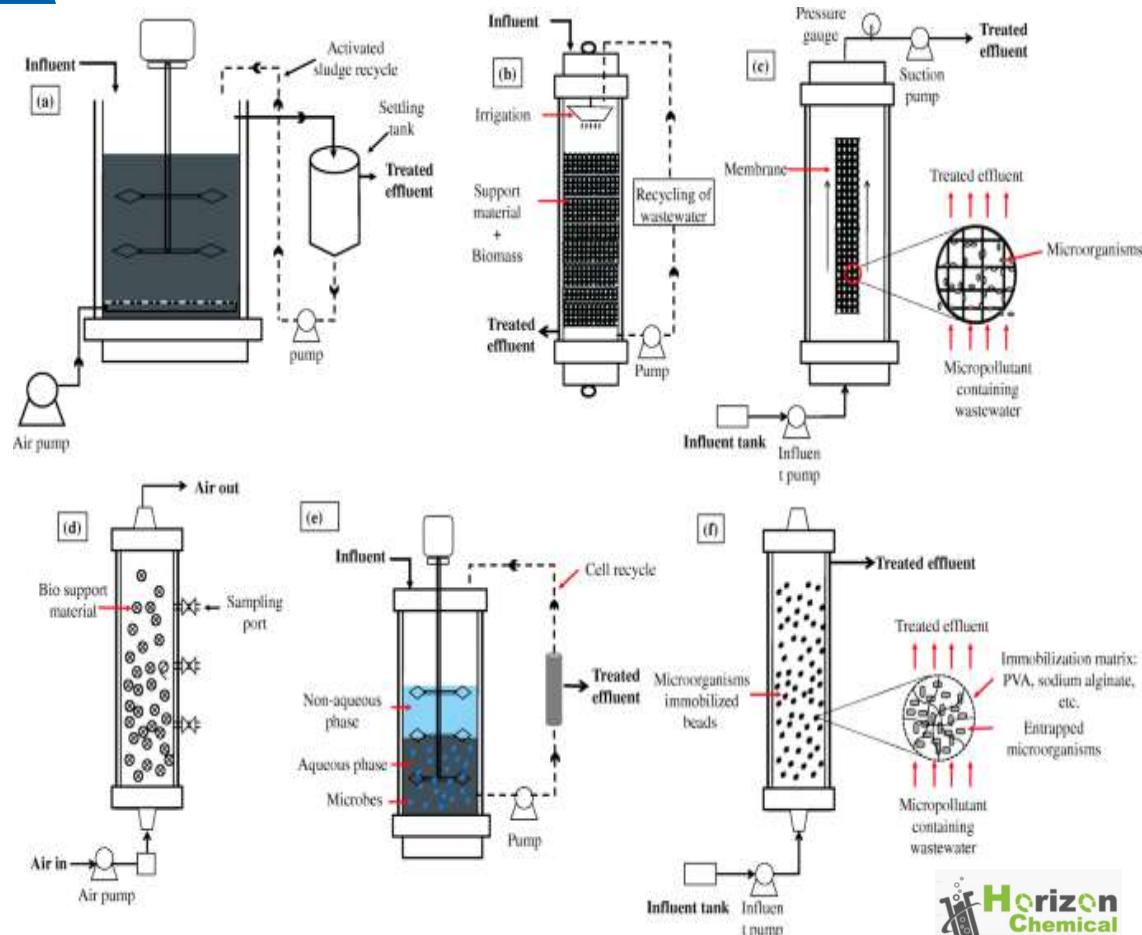
# Frontier Technology

## TPPBR

### Two Partition Phase Biological Reactor

For emerging organics  
Micropollutants

**NEW** prototype technology



## Frontier Technology

The list of technological prototypes is not intended to be exhaustive. Research and development of new plants are continuous.

The same technologies illustrated here can be combined with each other in multiple configurations.

New hybrid configurations arise often based on the characteristics of a single wastewater

## Question time





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