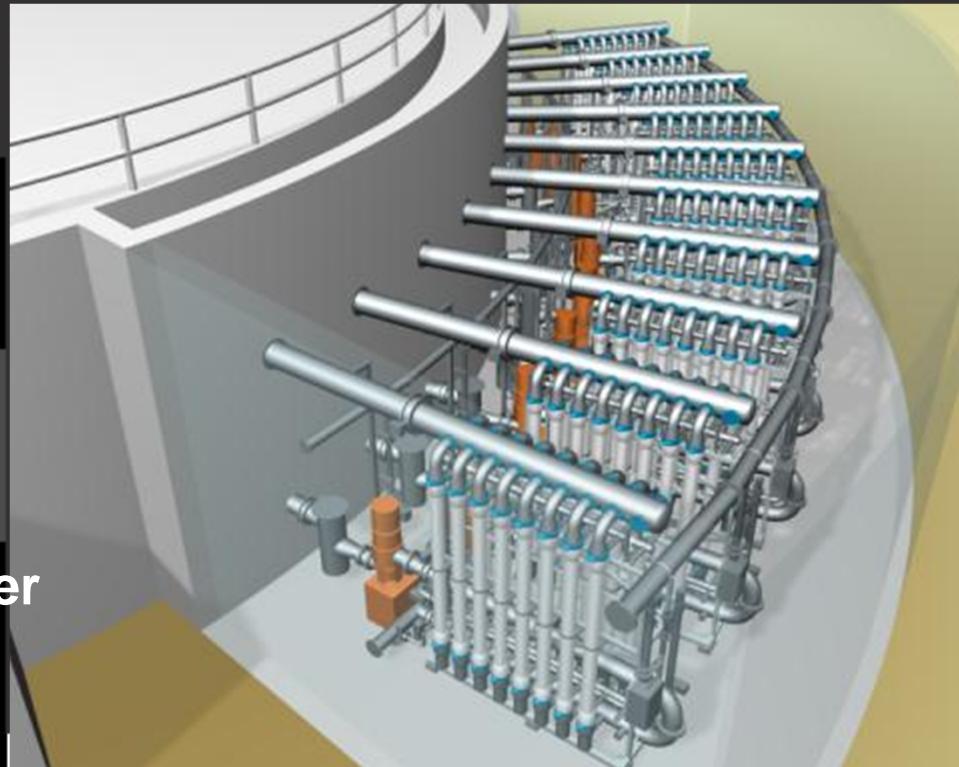


# Norit AirLift™ MBR



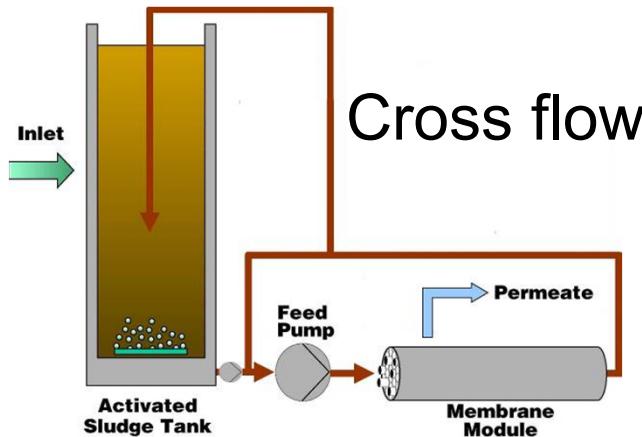
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May 2011

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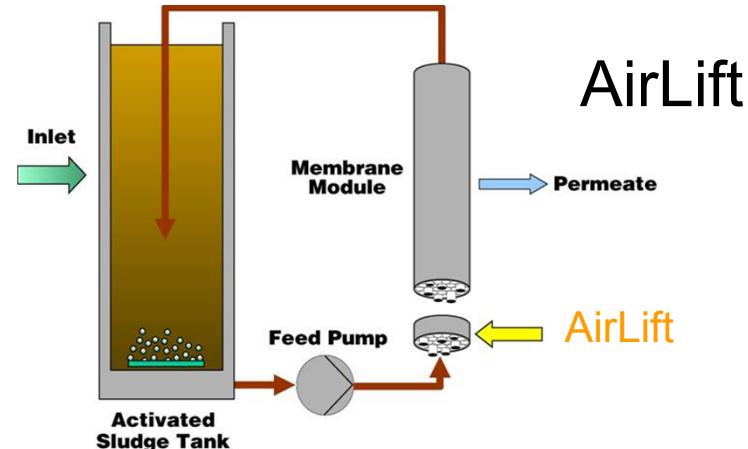
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# 1. Introduction



Cross flow

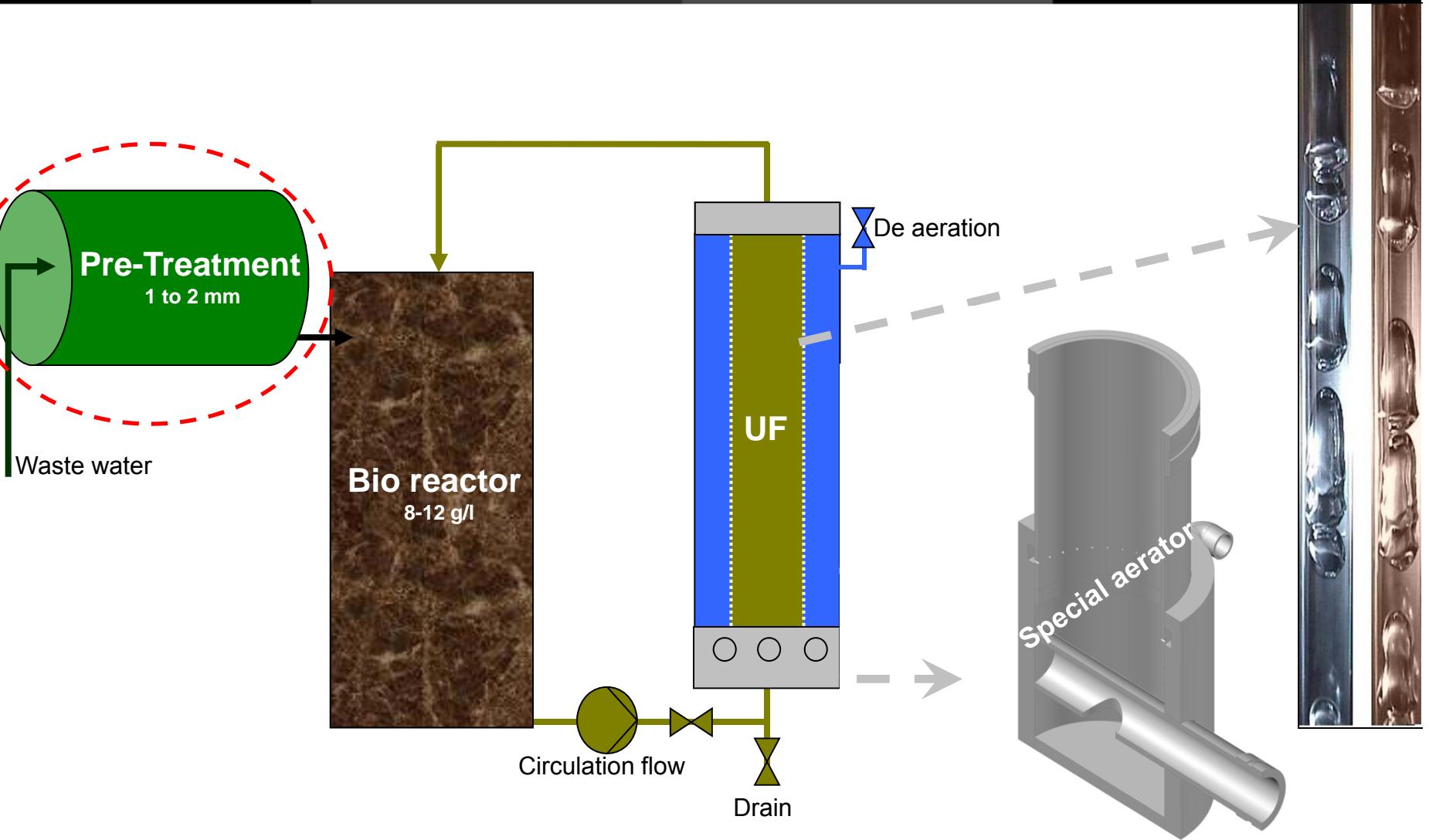


AirLift

AirLift

- MLSS 12 - 20 g/l
  - Flux (40 - 130 l/m<sup>2</sup>h)
  - Smallest footprint
  - Higher energy consumption (1,5 - 4 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>)
  - Inline straining required
  - SIMPLE
  - TMP (1 - 5 bar)
- MLSS 8 - 12 g/l
  - Flux (30 - 65 l/m<sup>2</sup>h)
  - Small footprint
  - Low energy consumption (about 0,35 kWh/m<sup>3</sup>)
  - No inline straining required (on condition that the bioreactor is covered)
  - More valve processing
  - Very low TMP (0,05 - 0,3 bar)

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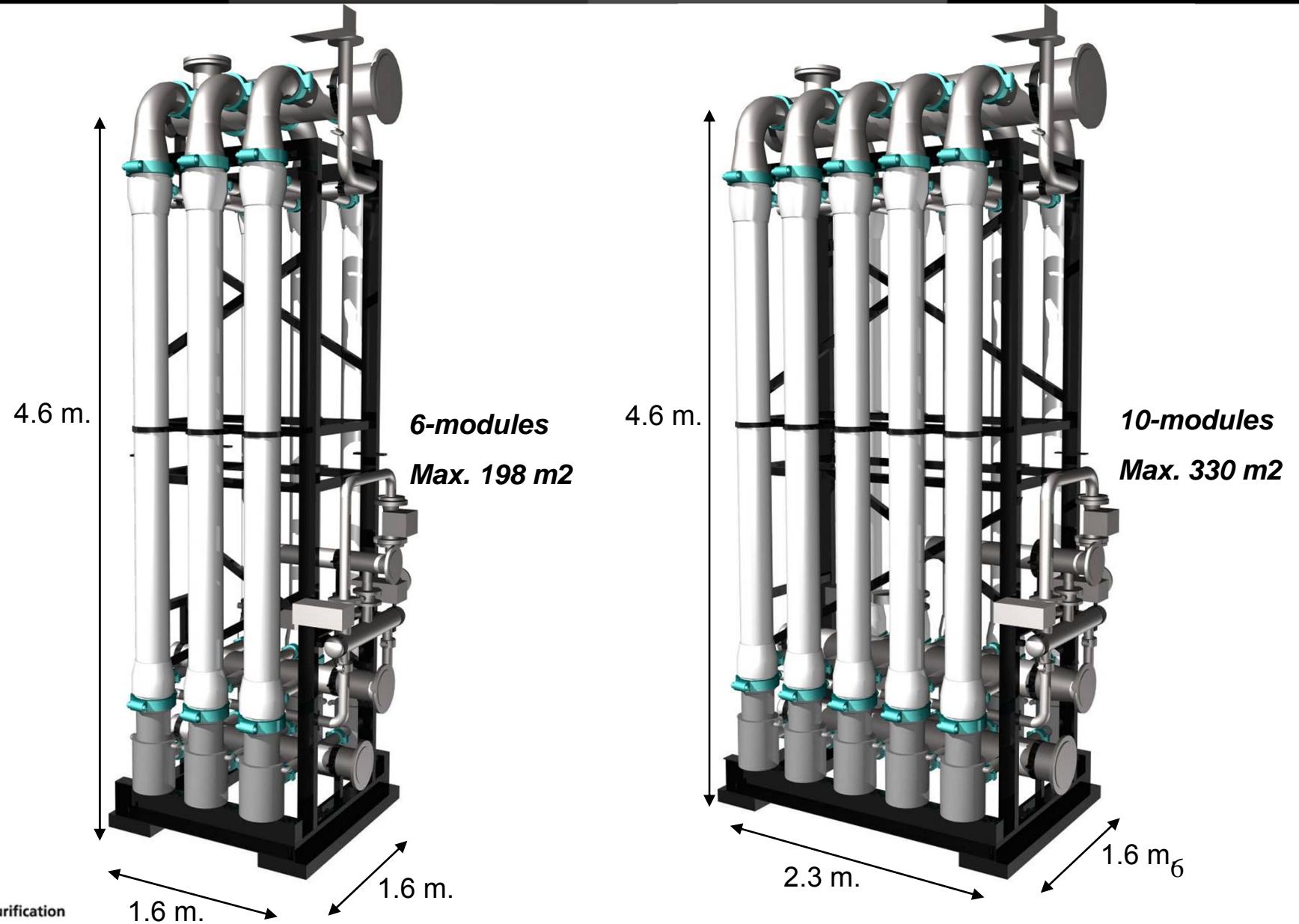
## TECHNICAL MODULE SPECIFICATIONS

### AirLift MBR

- Membrane type: F4385 (PVDF, 5.2 mm)
- Module type: 38PRV (33 m<sup>2</sup>)
- Configuration: parallel
- Process: AirLift (0,19 m/s air; 0,43 m/s sludge)
- Energy consumption: approx 0,35 kWh/m<sup>3</sup> produced
- Flux (gross): 50 lmh (DWF)  
65 lmh (RWF)
- TMP: 0,05 – 0,3 bar
- Membrane life time: 5-10 yr



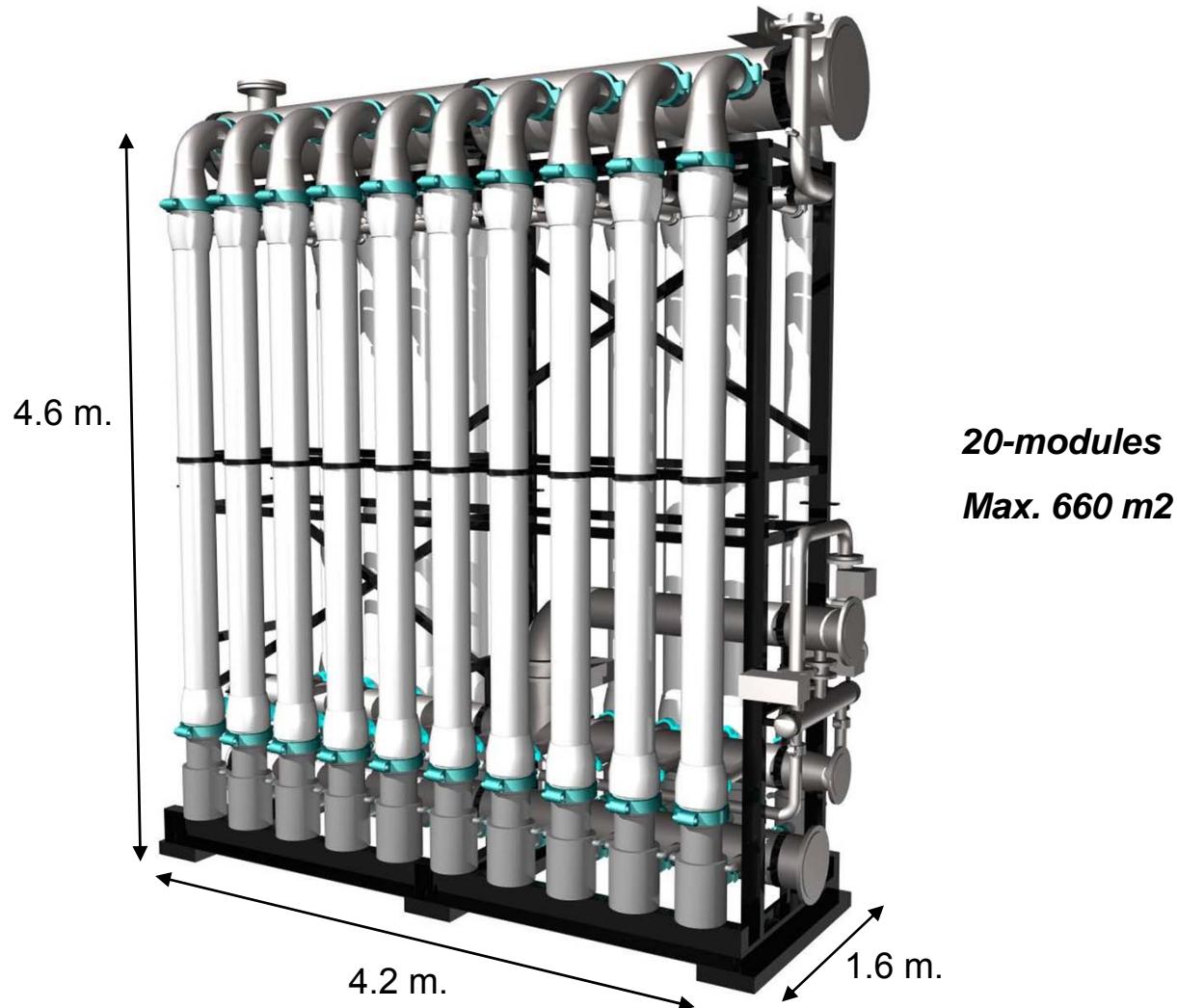
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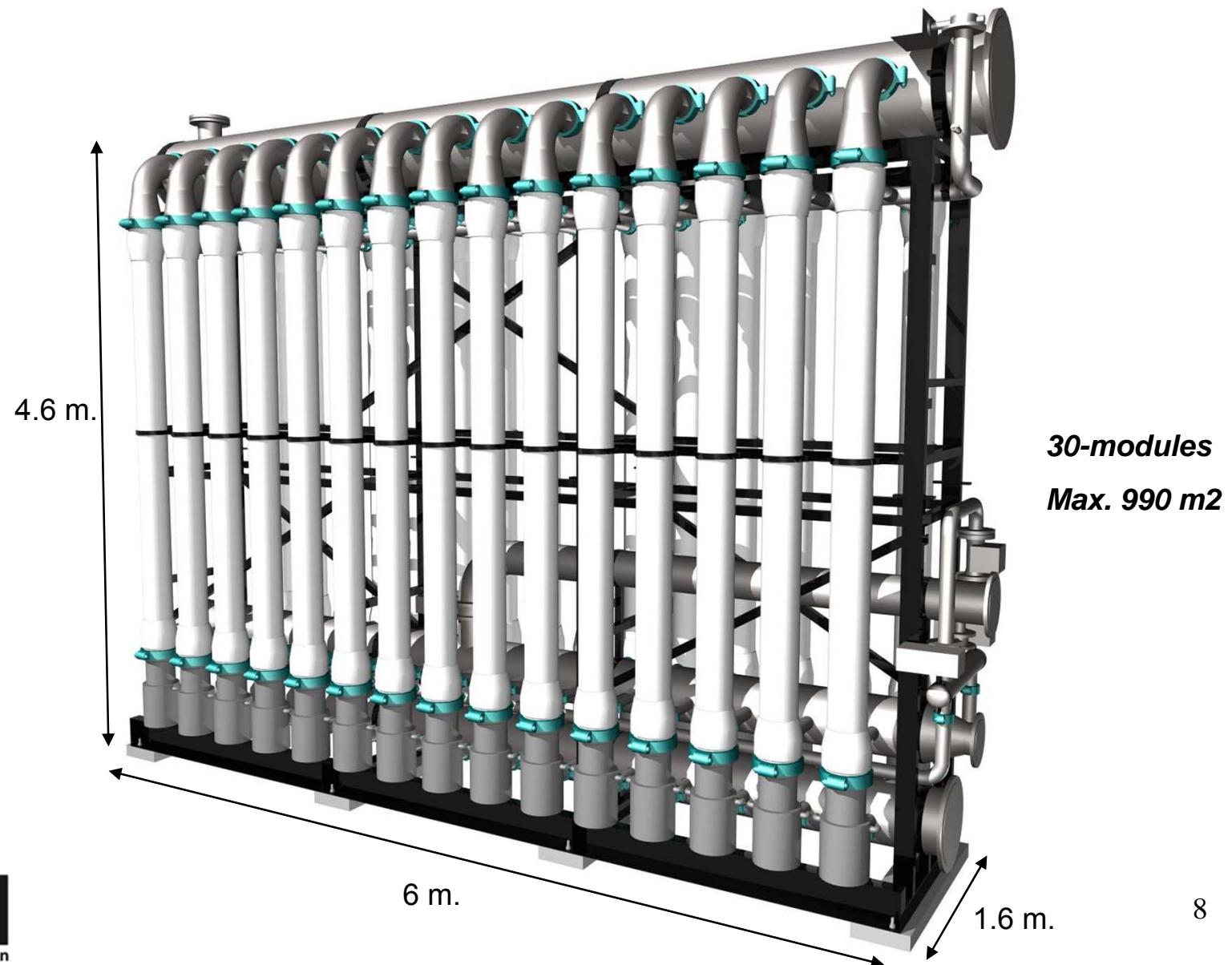
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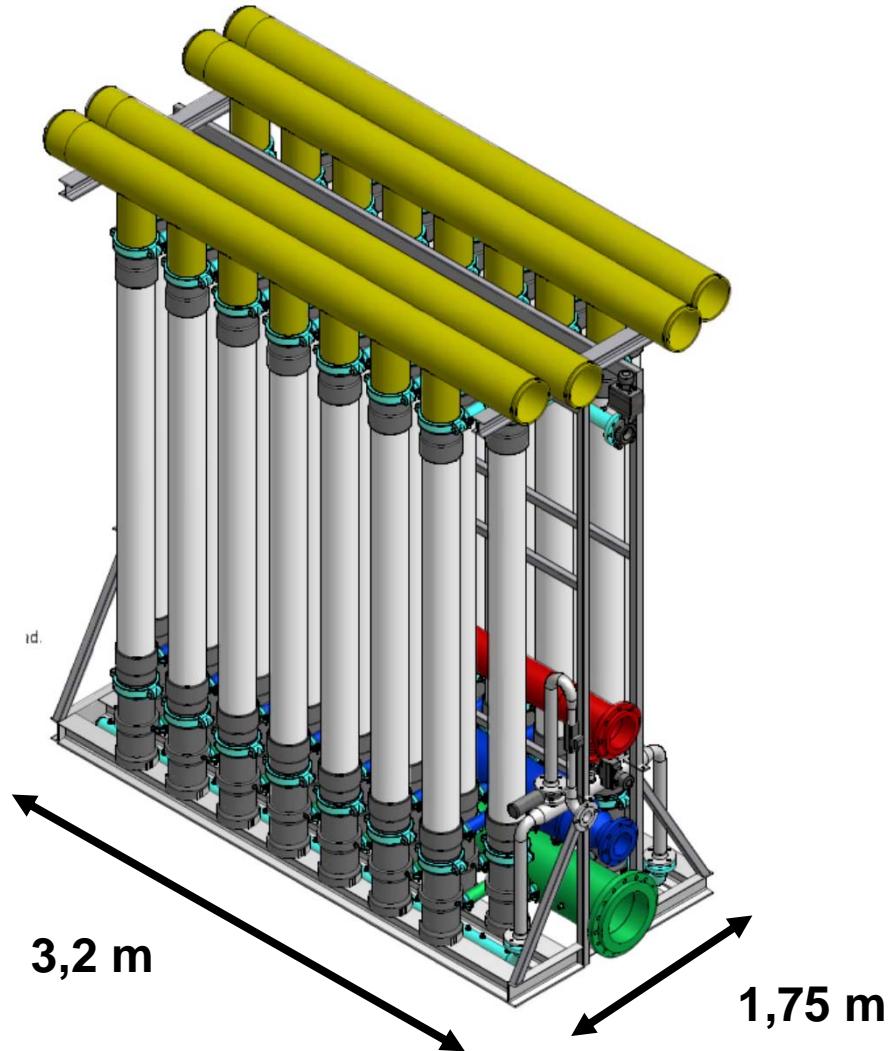


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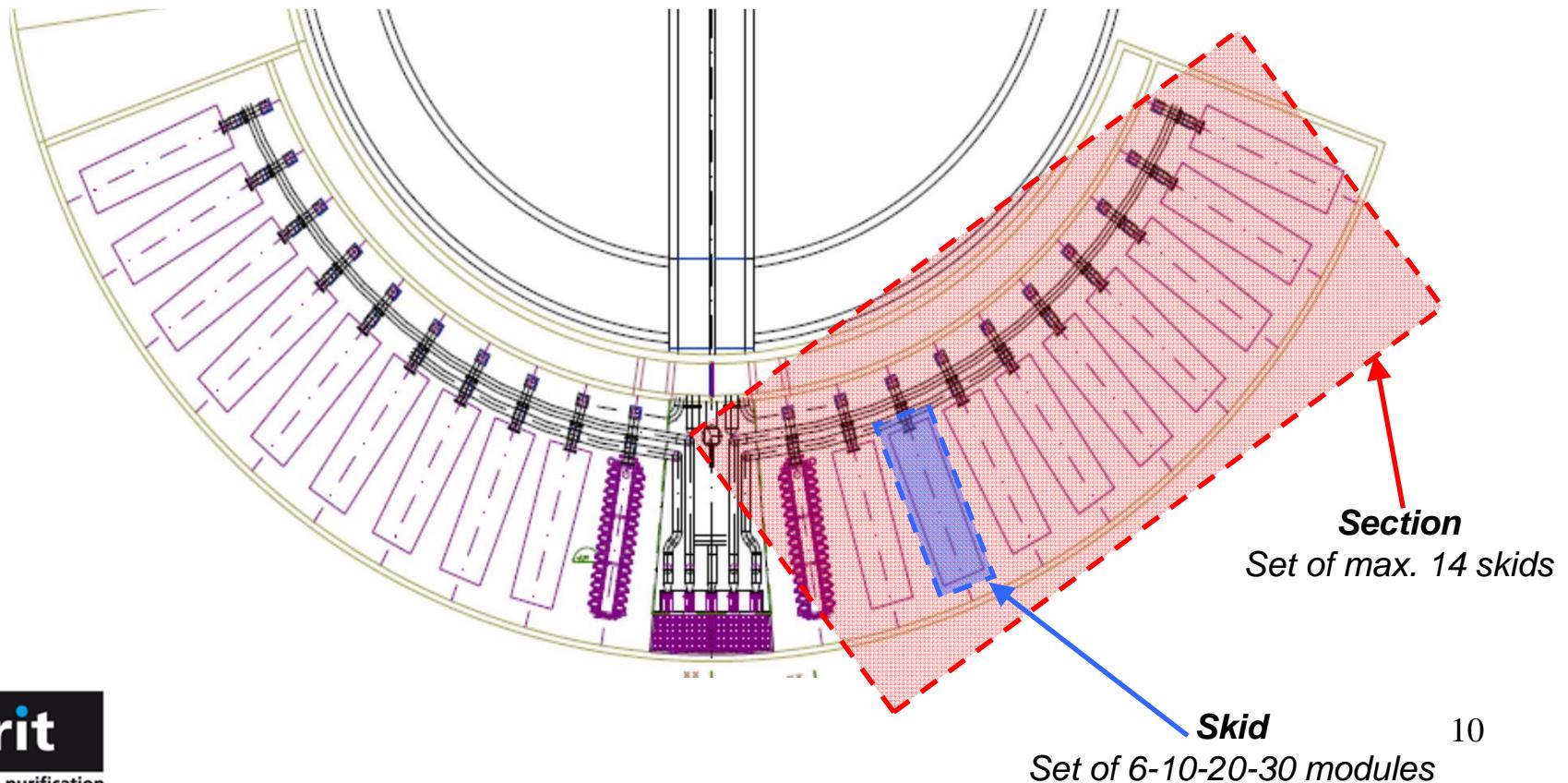
Staggered version 2 x 15 modules



# 3. AL-UF plant lay-out

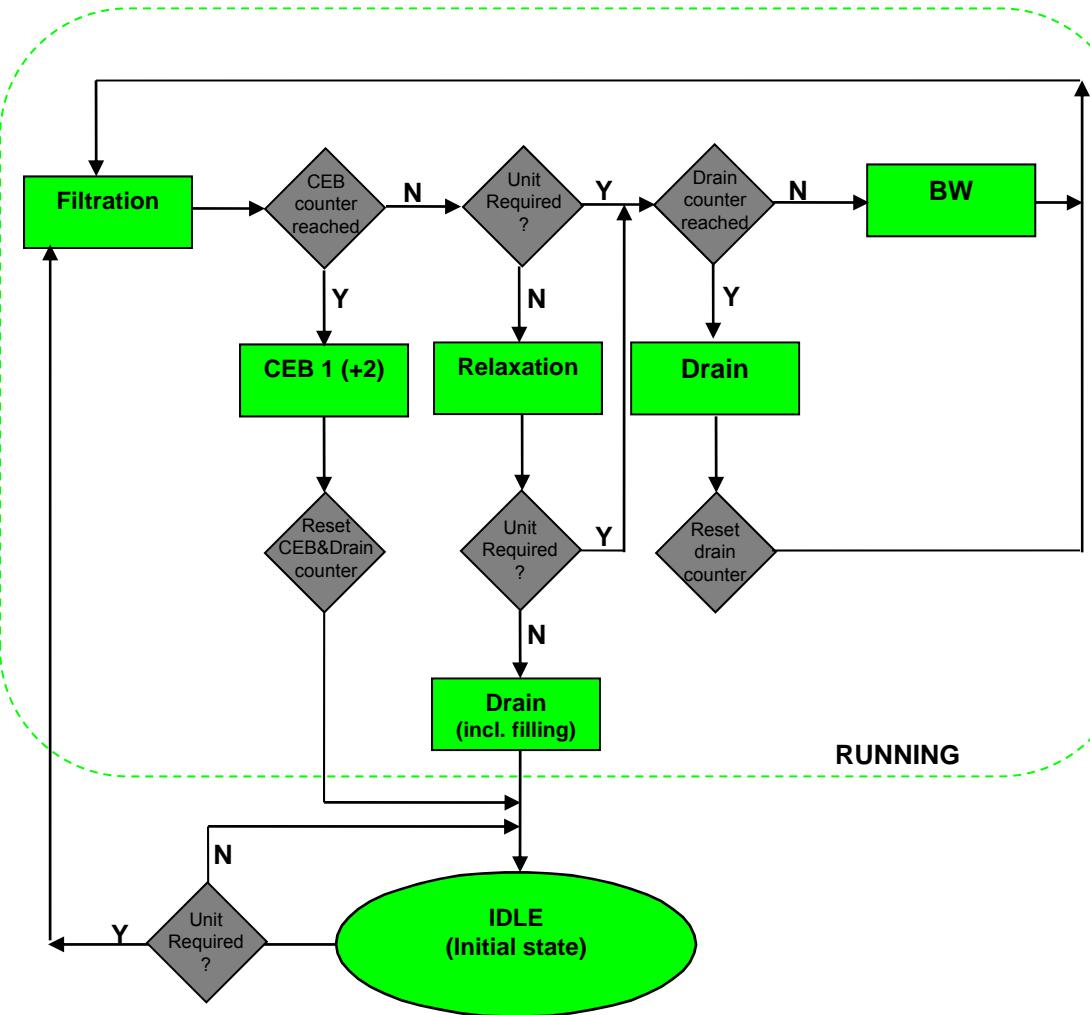
**Skids:** individually controlled. Operating programs: filtration, backwash, drain sequence & CEB performed at skid level.

**Section:** equipped with 1 backwash set (incl. central backwash header) and central drain header



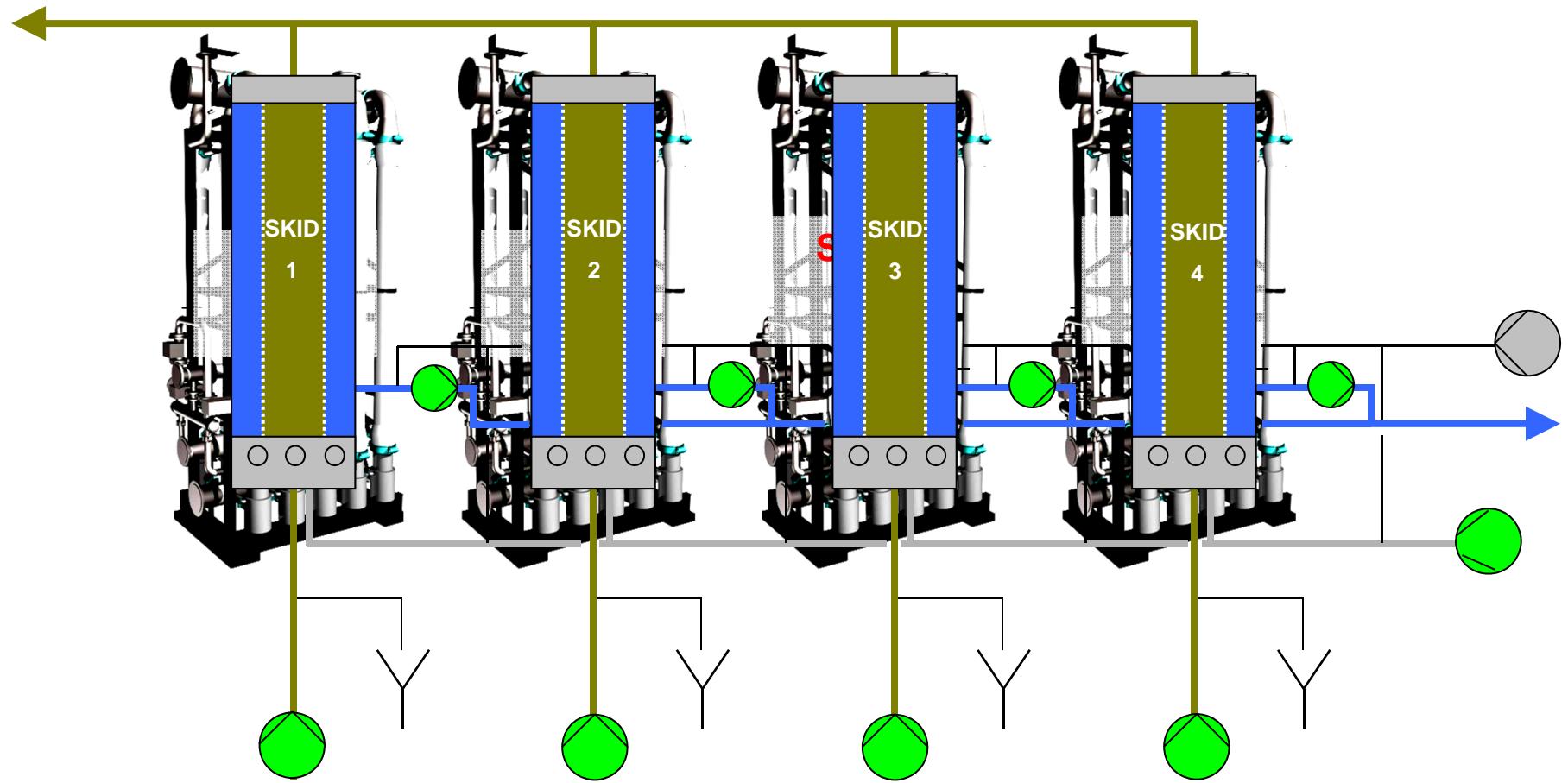
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AirLift UF: Automatic program sequence



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AirLift UF: Filtration



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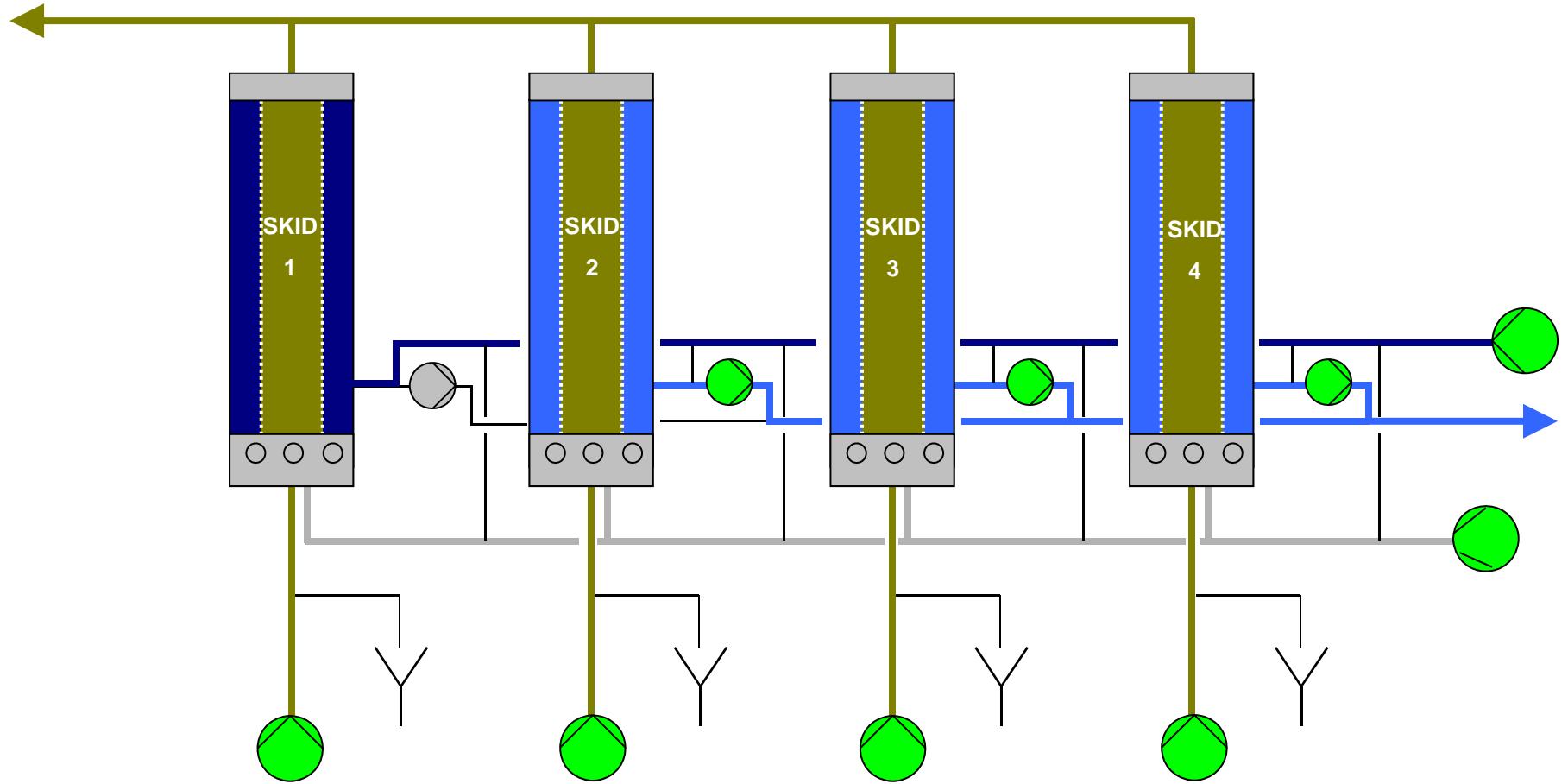
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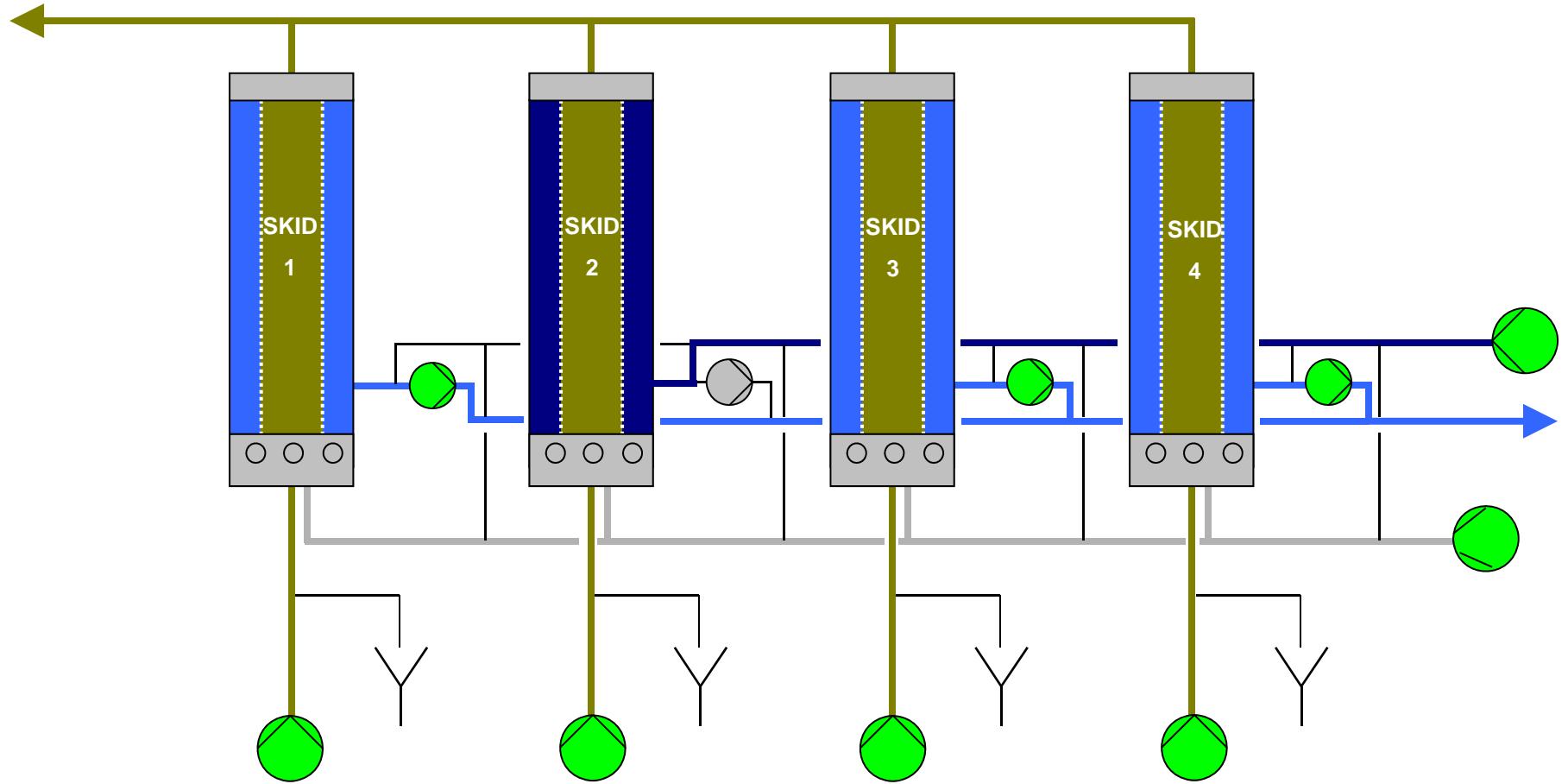
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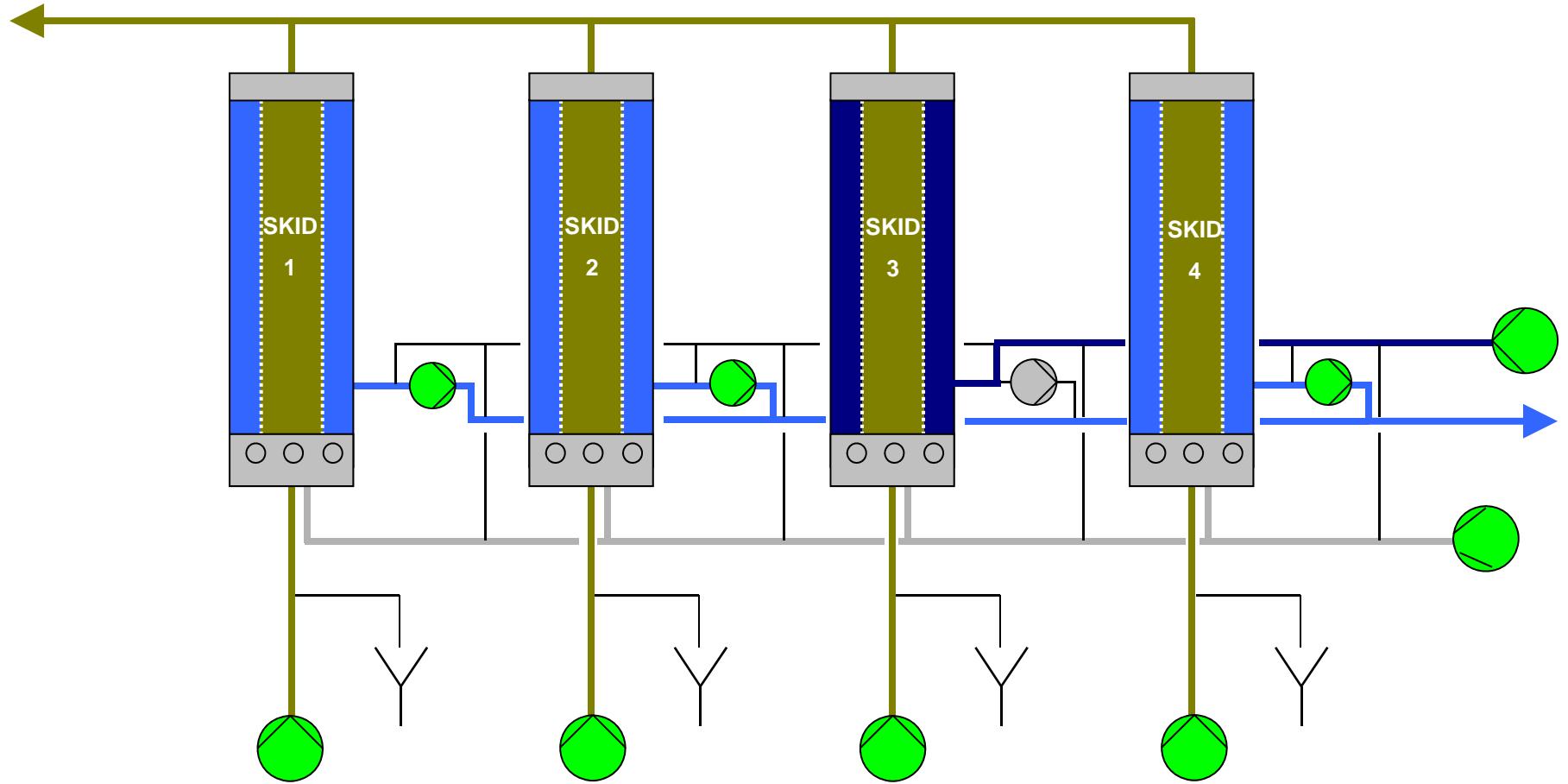
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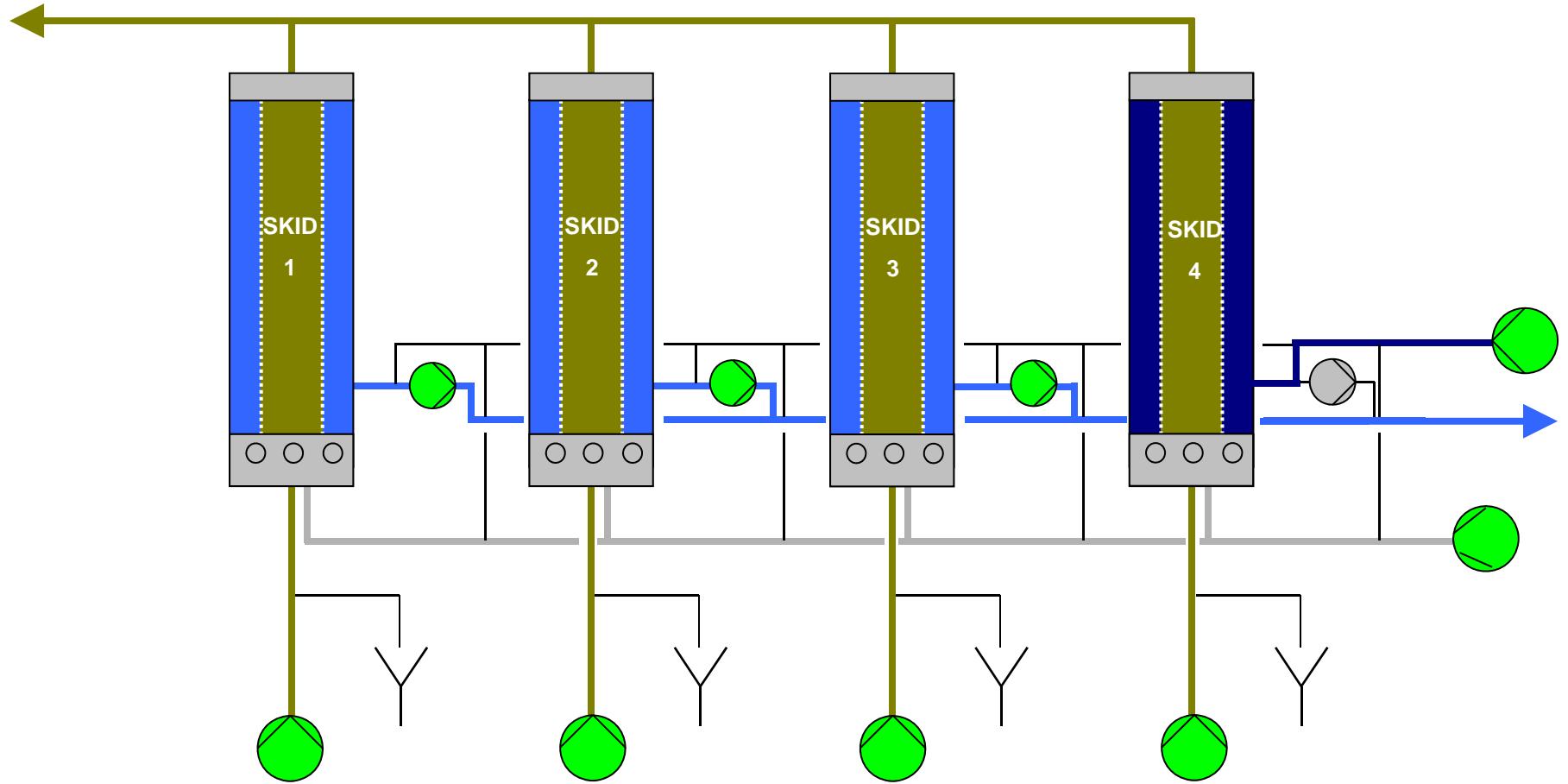
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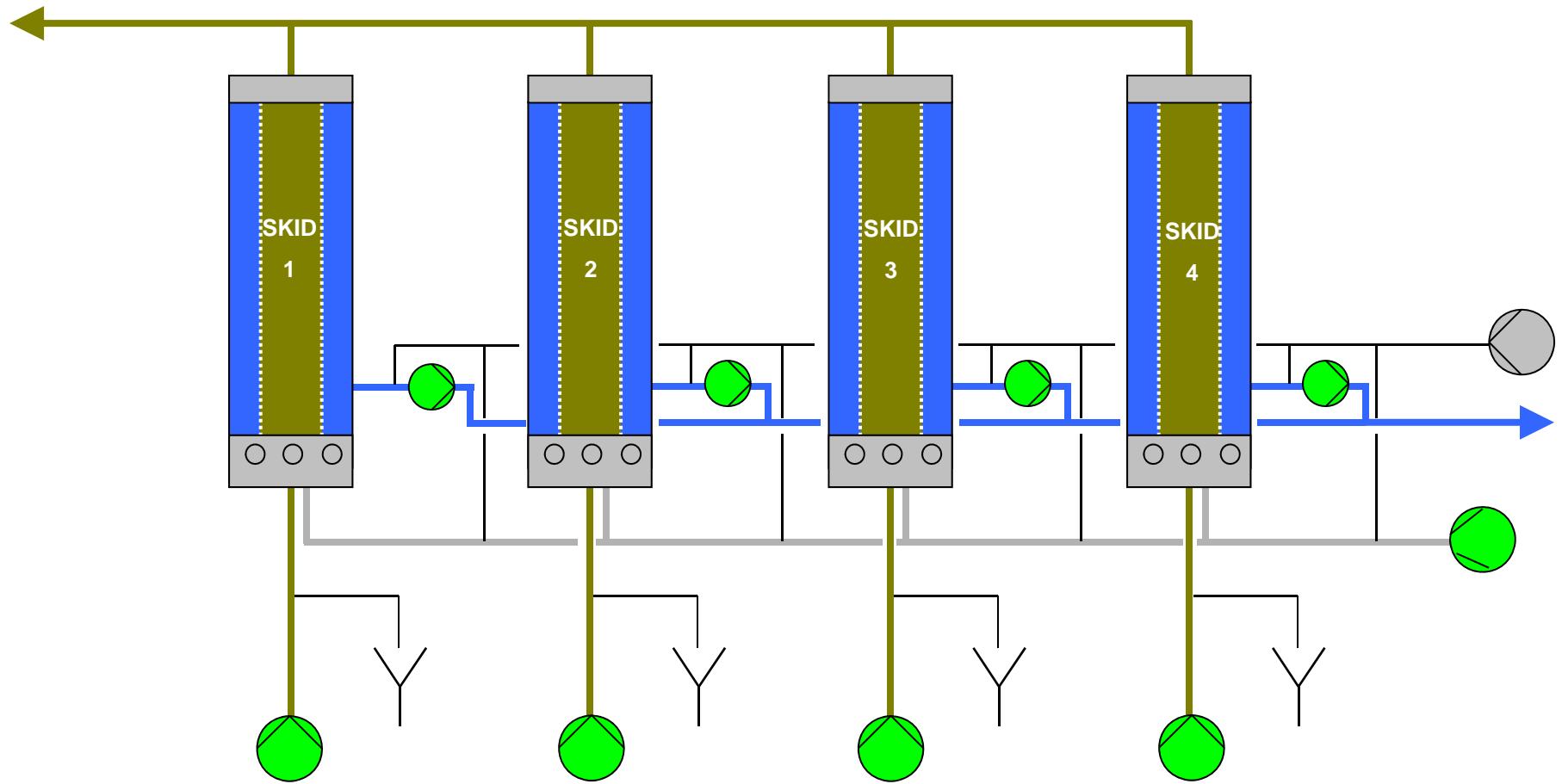
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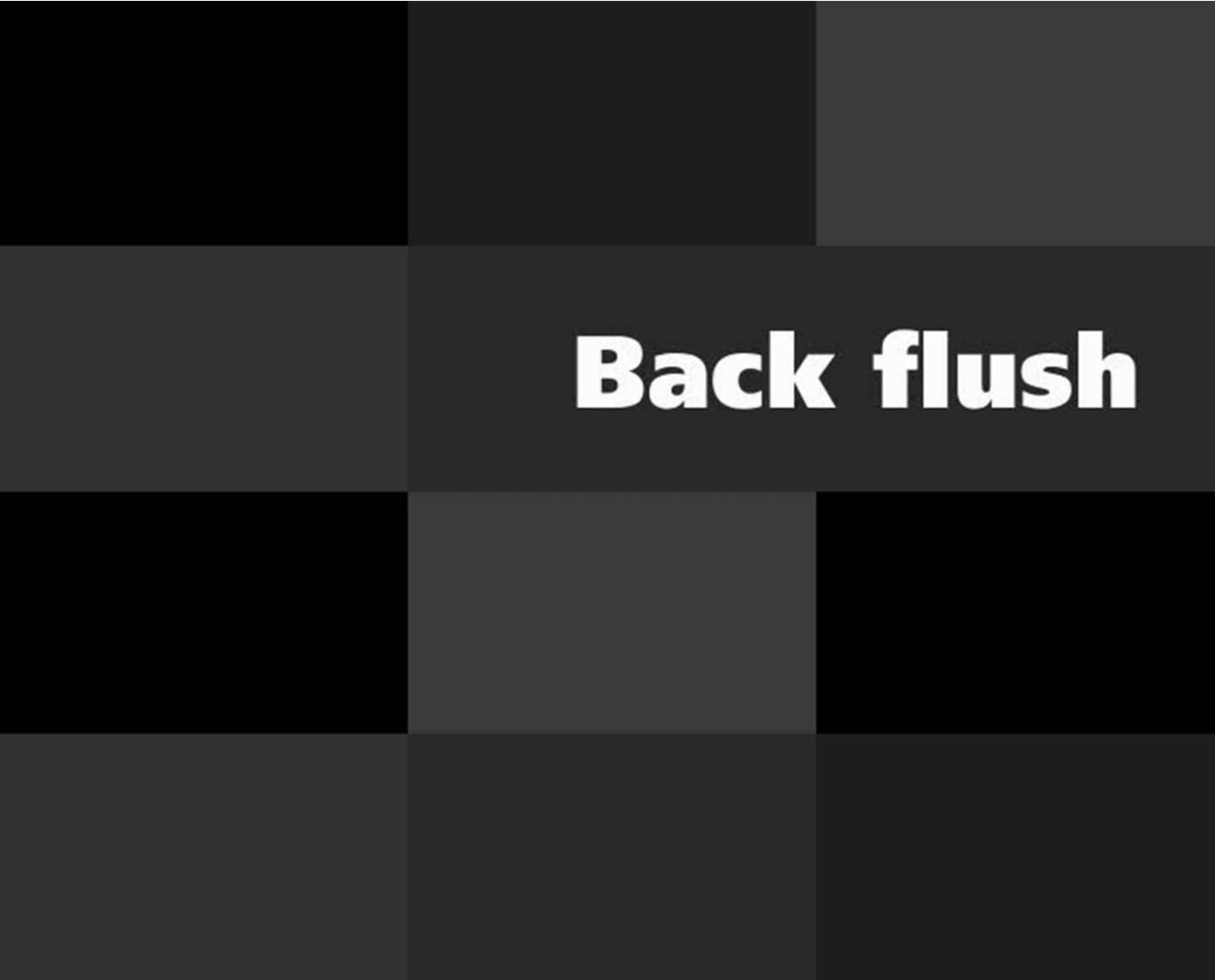
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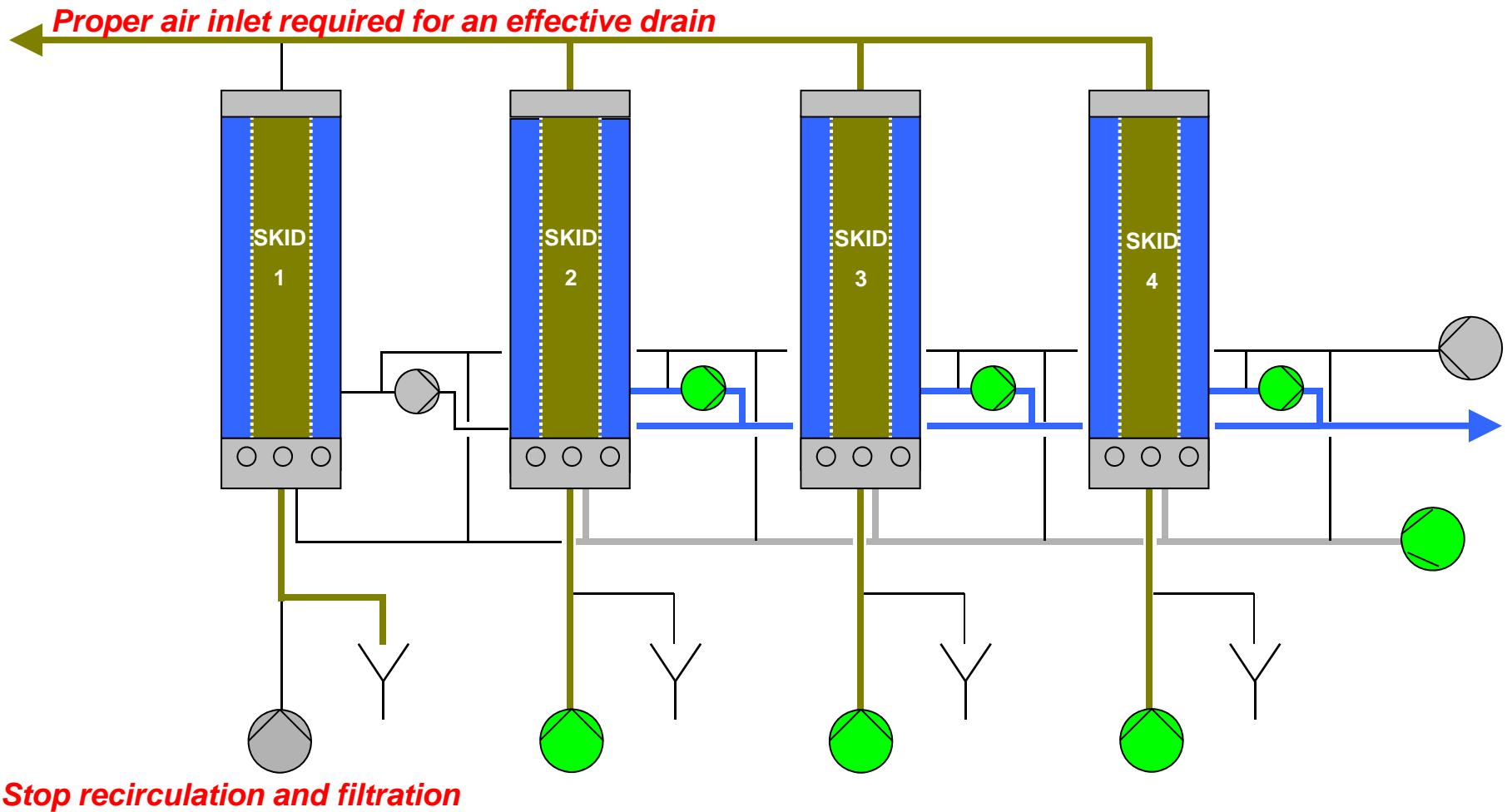
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**Back flush**

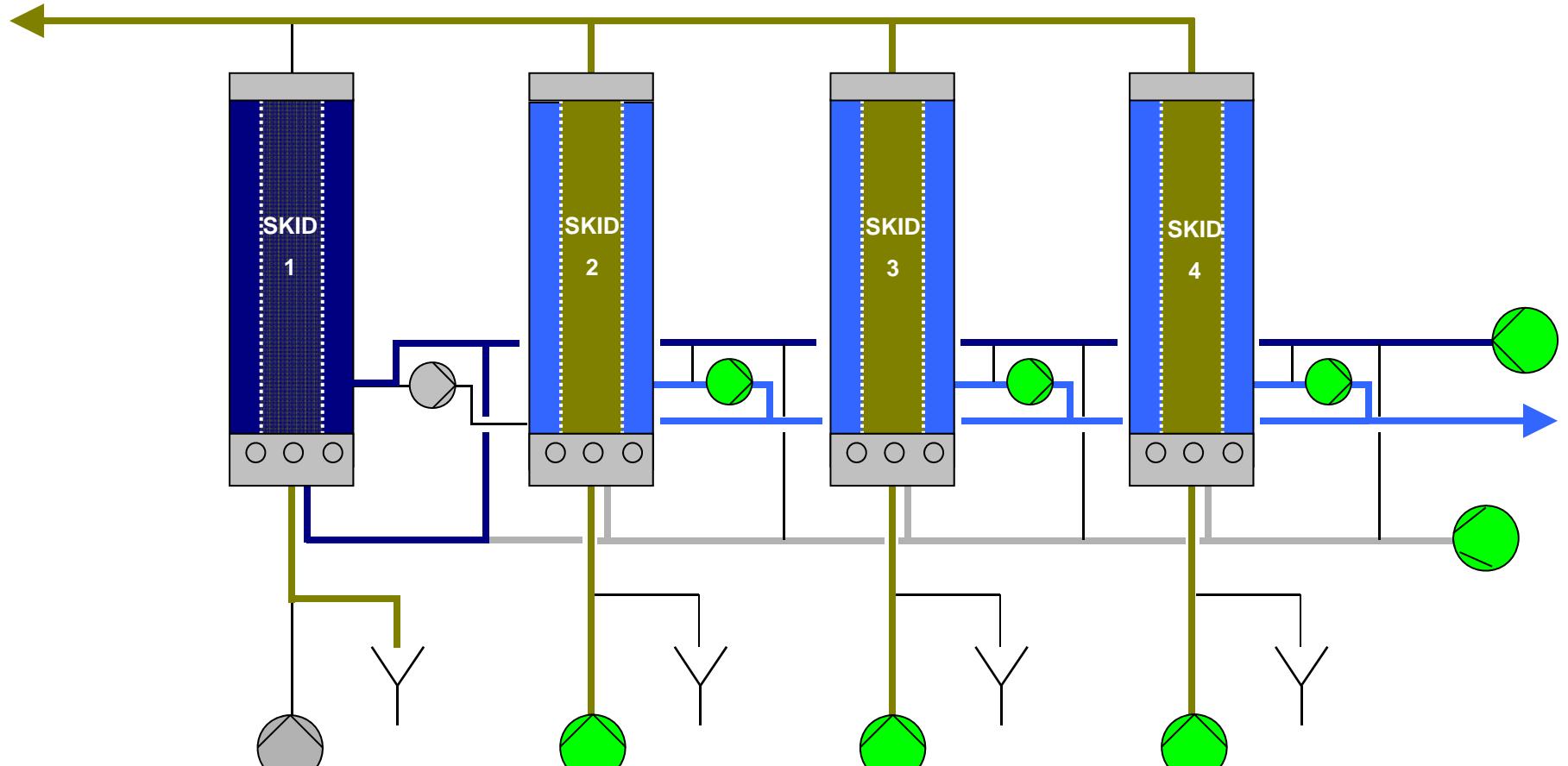
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AirLift UF: Drain sequence



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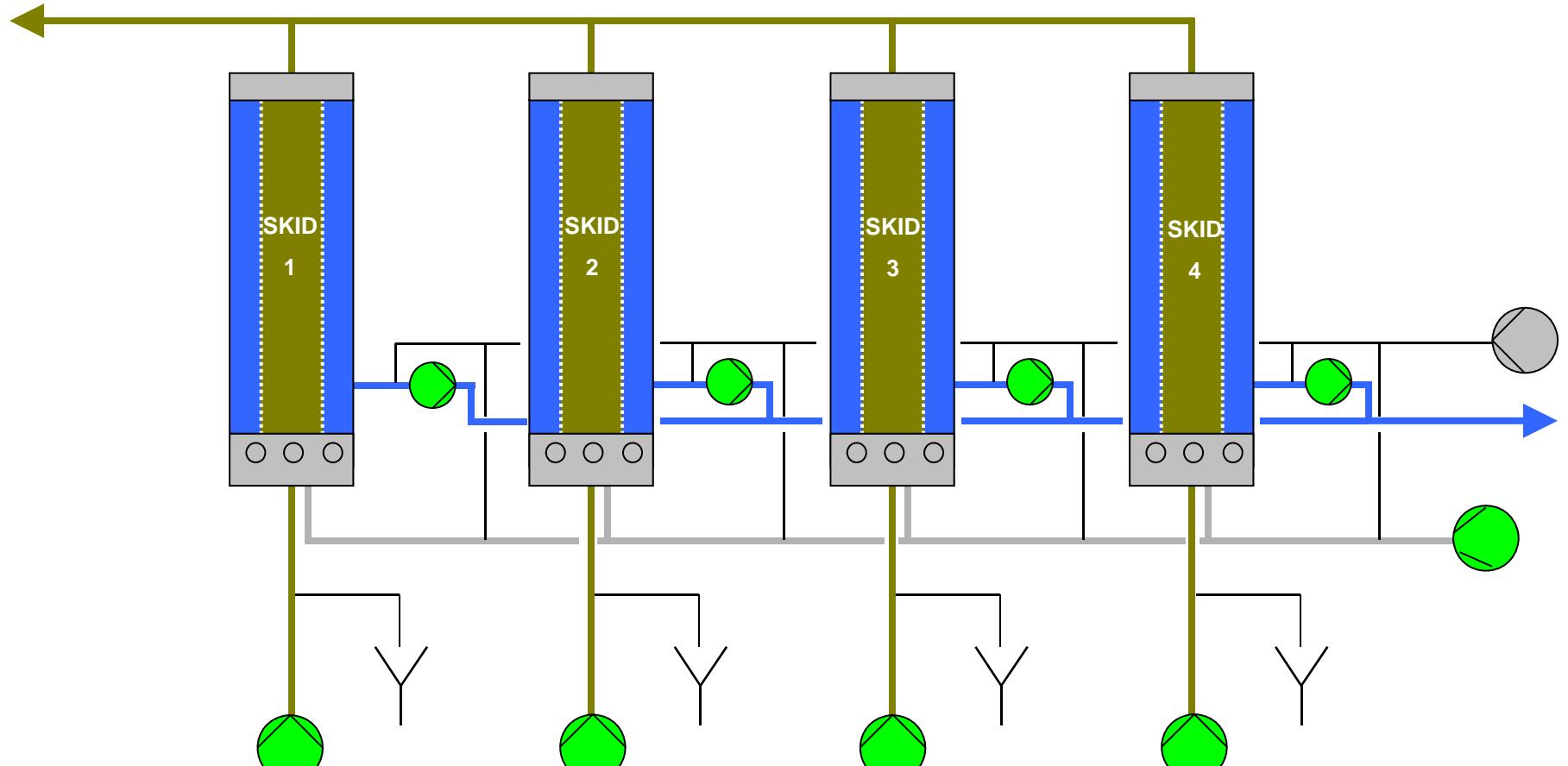
AirLift UF: Drain sequence



*Backwash incl. cleaning of the aerator*

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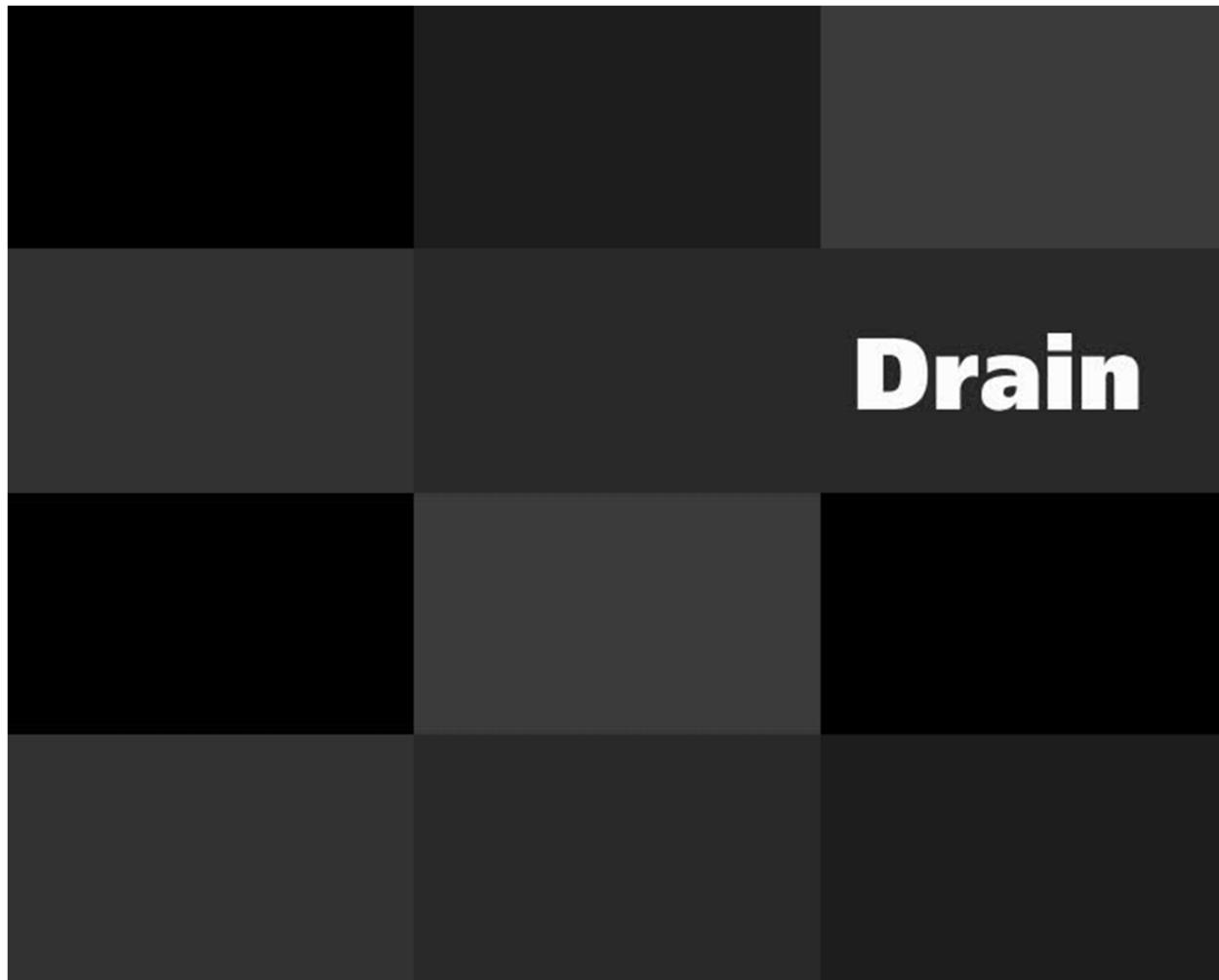
AirLift UF: Filtration



*Resume recirculation and filtration*

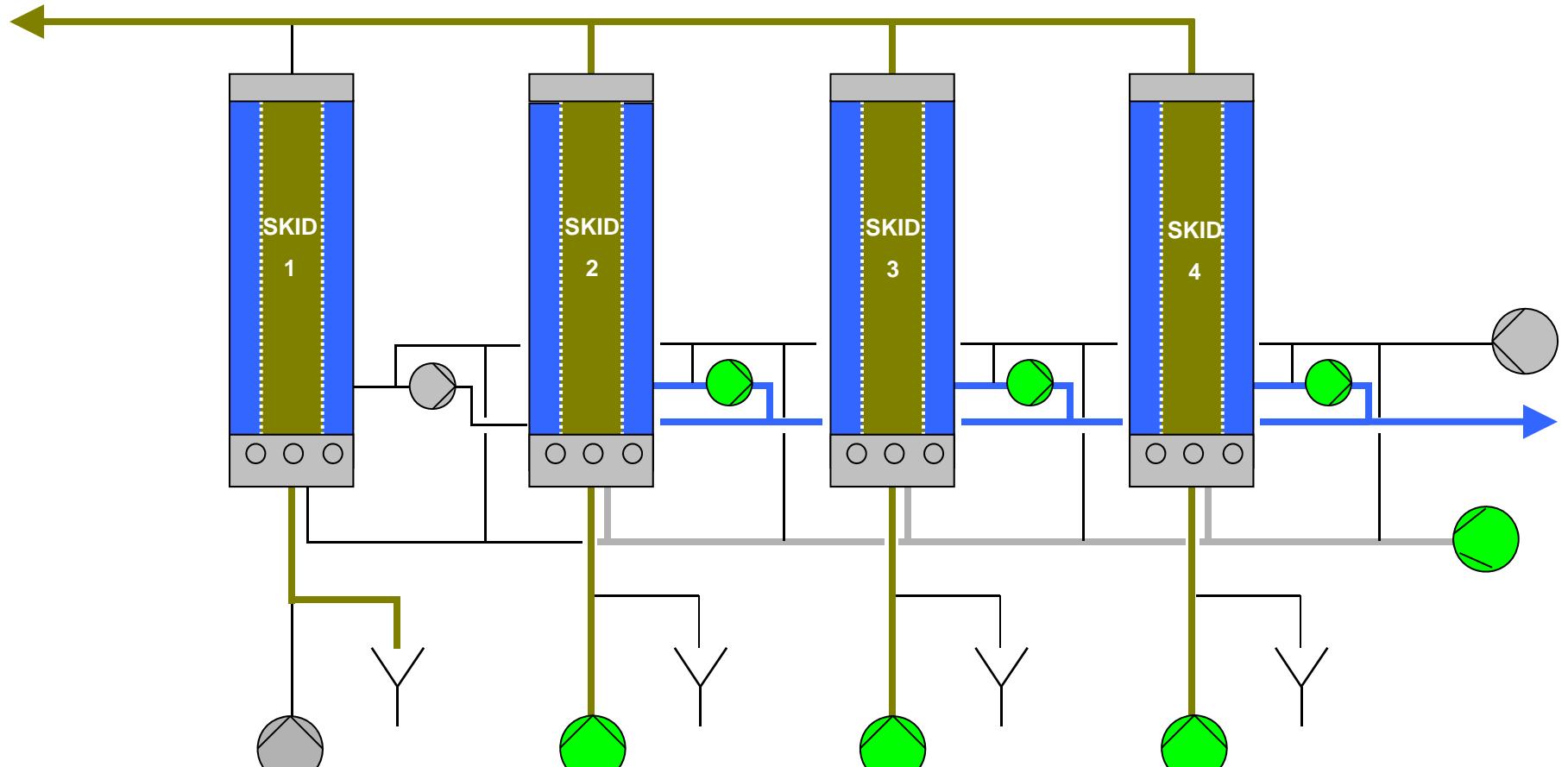
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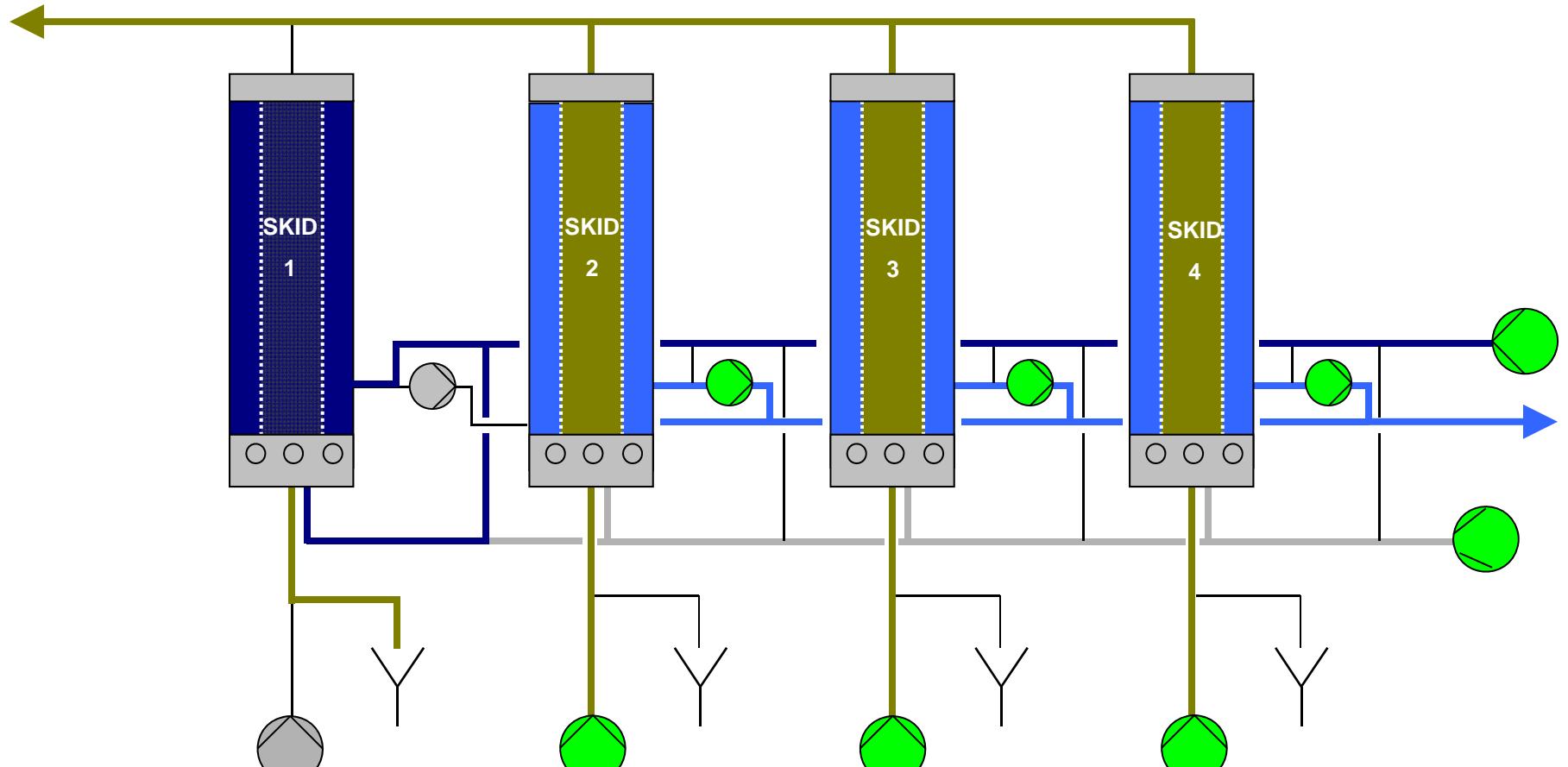
AirLift UF: CEB (Drain sequence)



*Stop recirculation and filtration*

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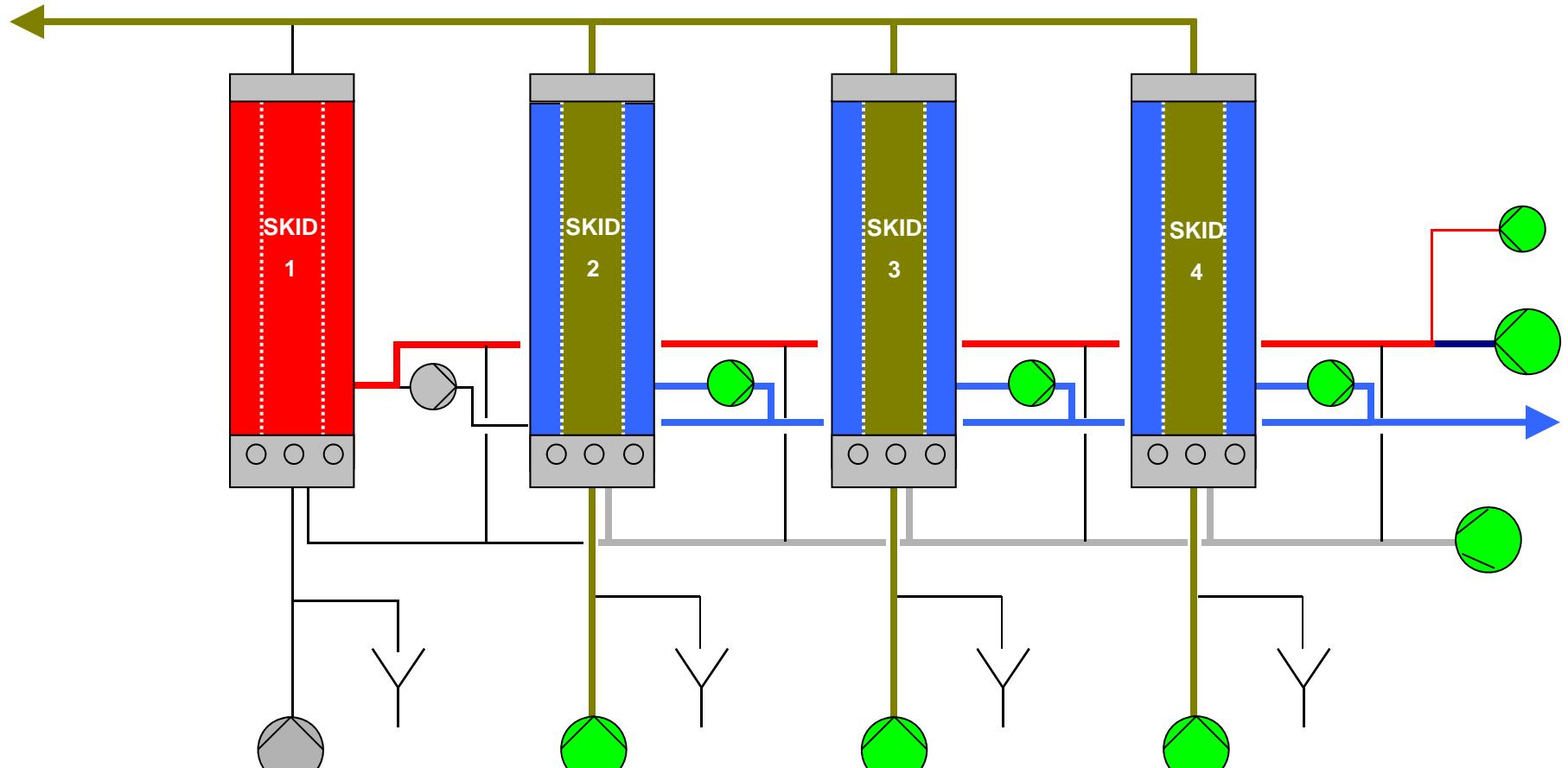
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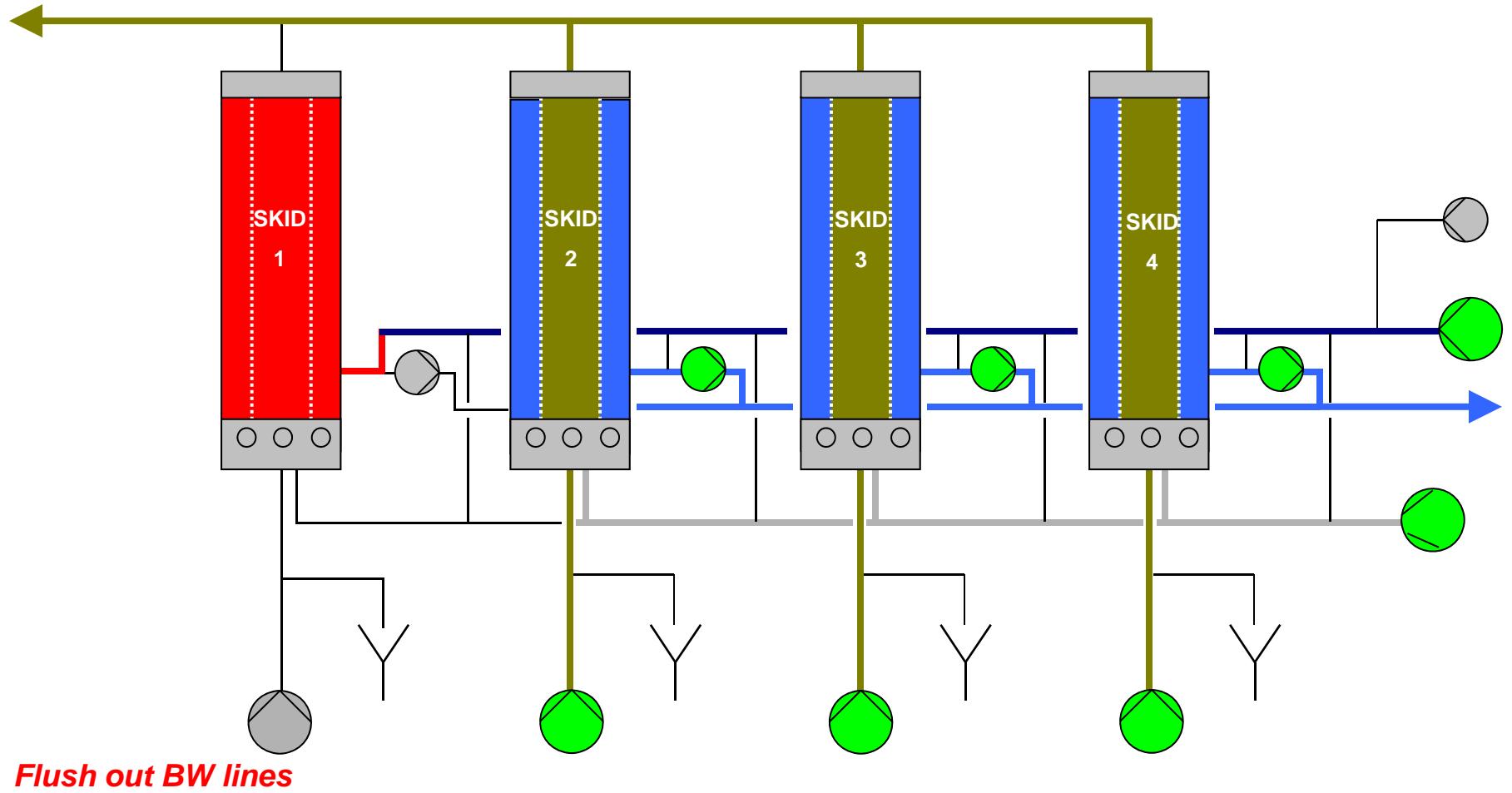
AirLift UF: CEB (Chemical dosing)



*Typical with NaOCl and Citric Acid*

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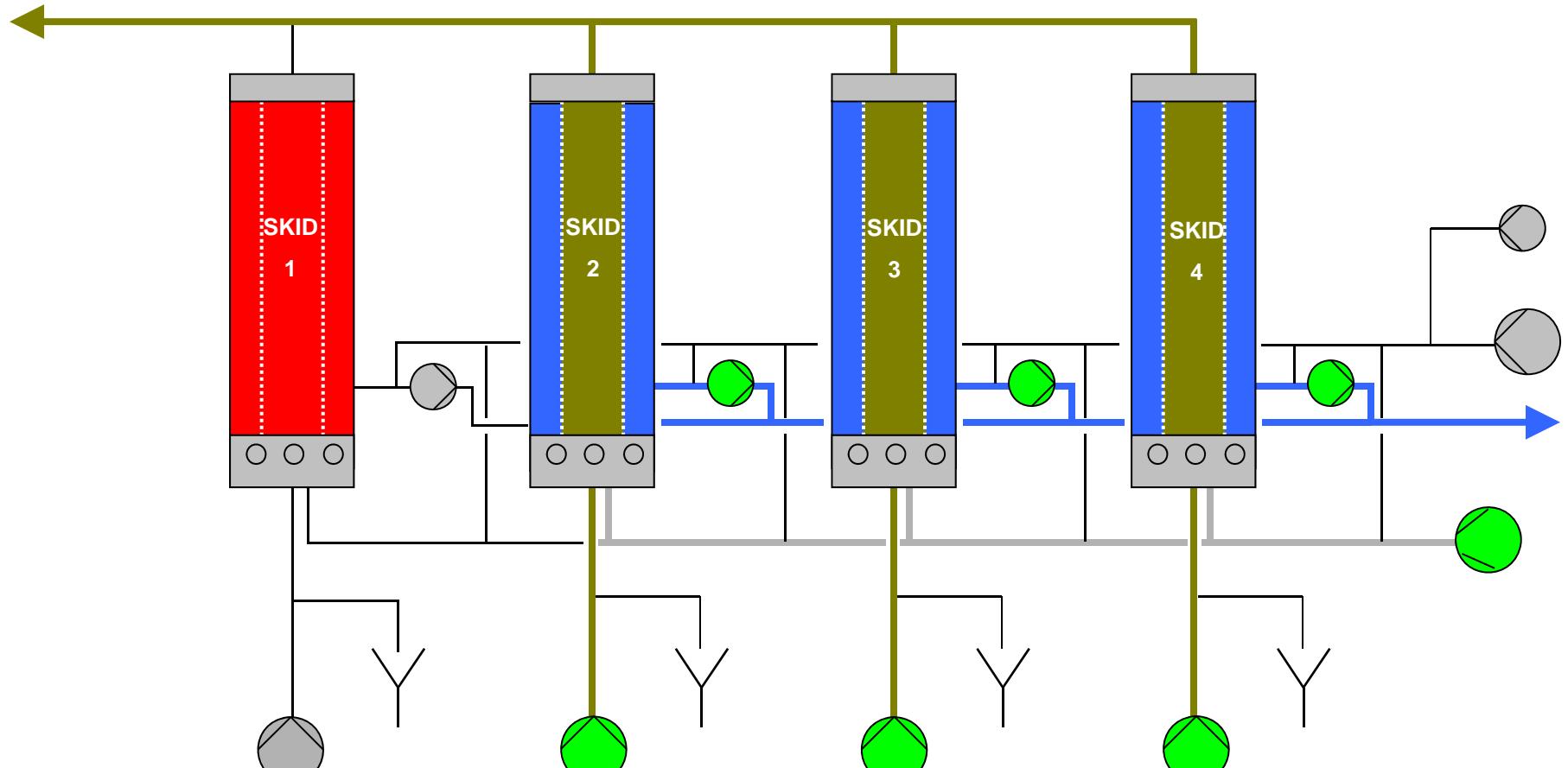
AirLift UF: CEB (Post dosing)



*Flush out BW lines*

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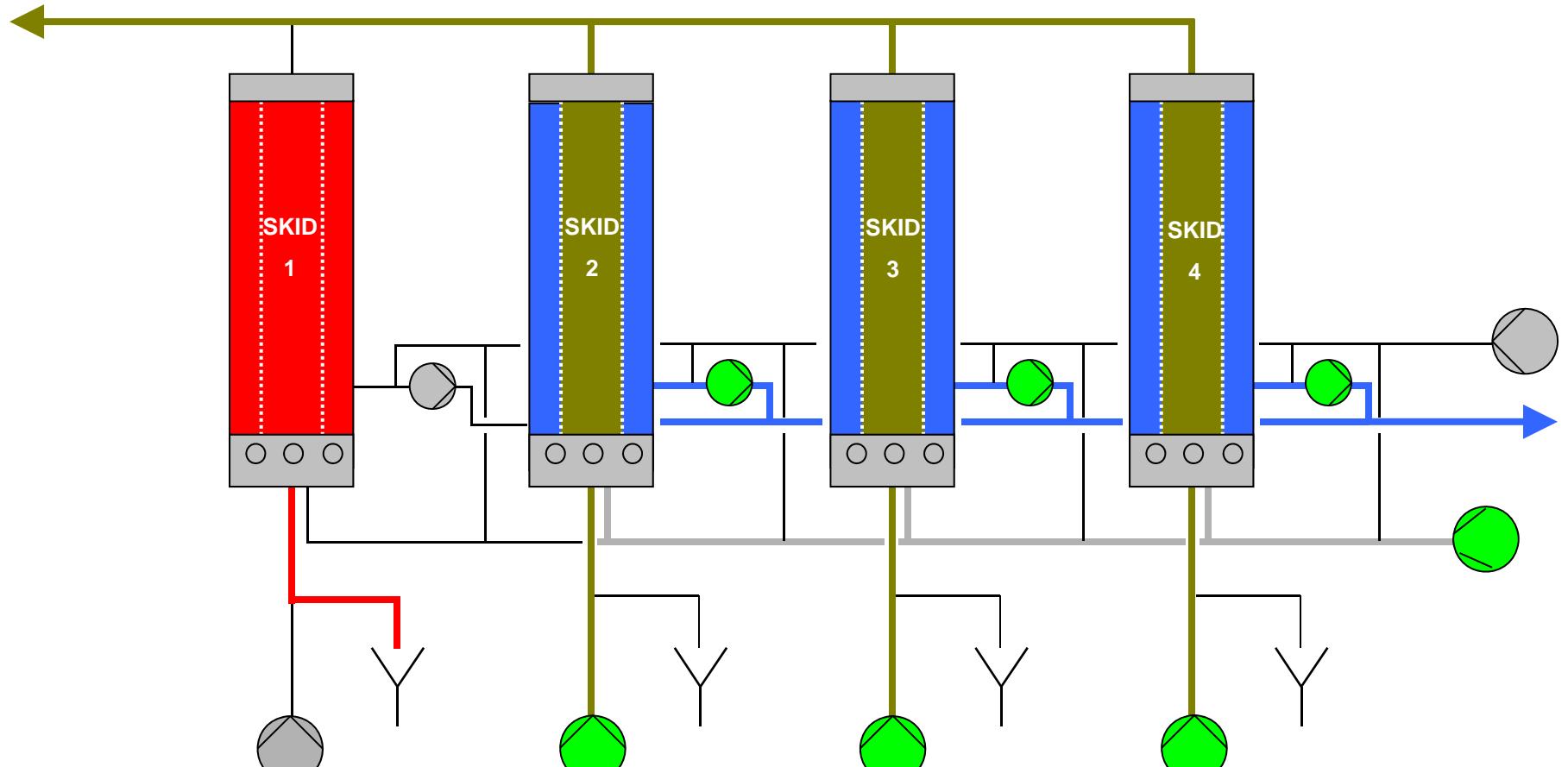
AirLift UF: CEB (Soaking)



*Soaking time depending on chemical solution*

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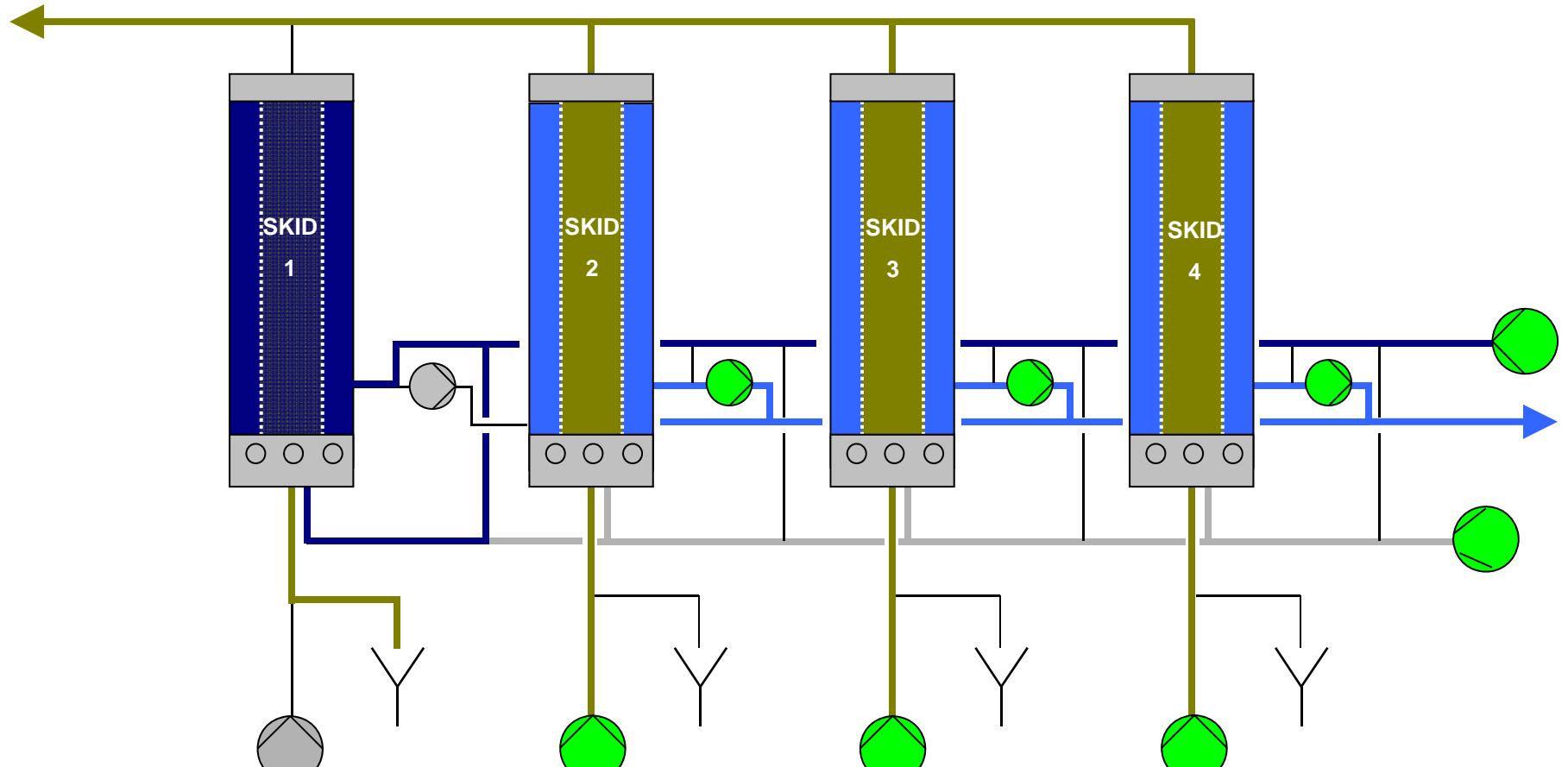
AirLift UF: CEB (Drain sequence)



*Discharge of the (spent!) chemical solution to drain tank*

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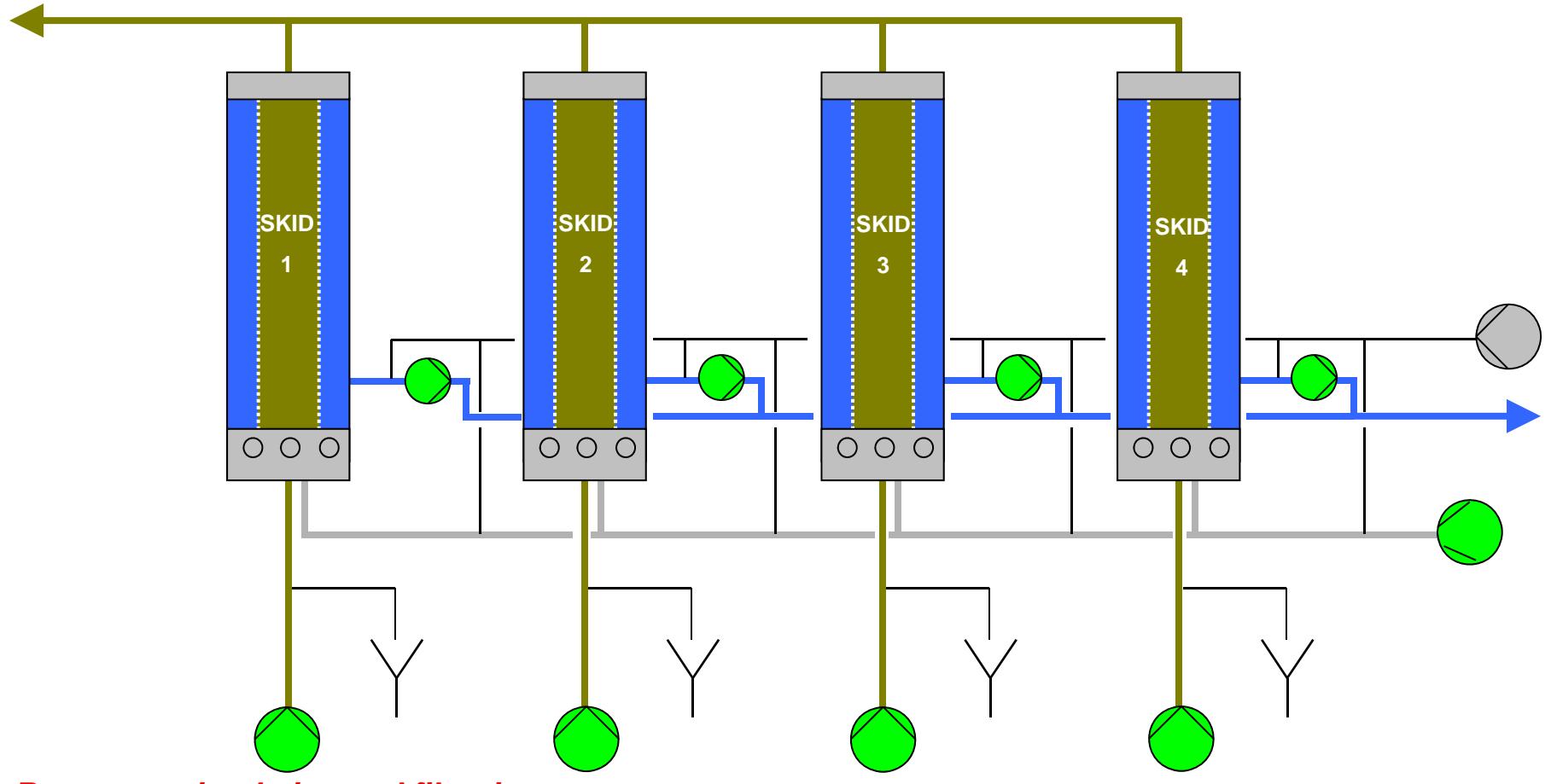
AirLift UF: CEB (Drain sequence)



*Backwash incl. cleaning of the aerator*

## 4. AL-UF process modes

AirLift UF: Filtration



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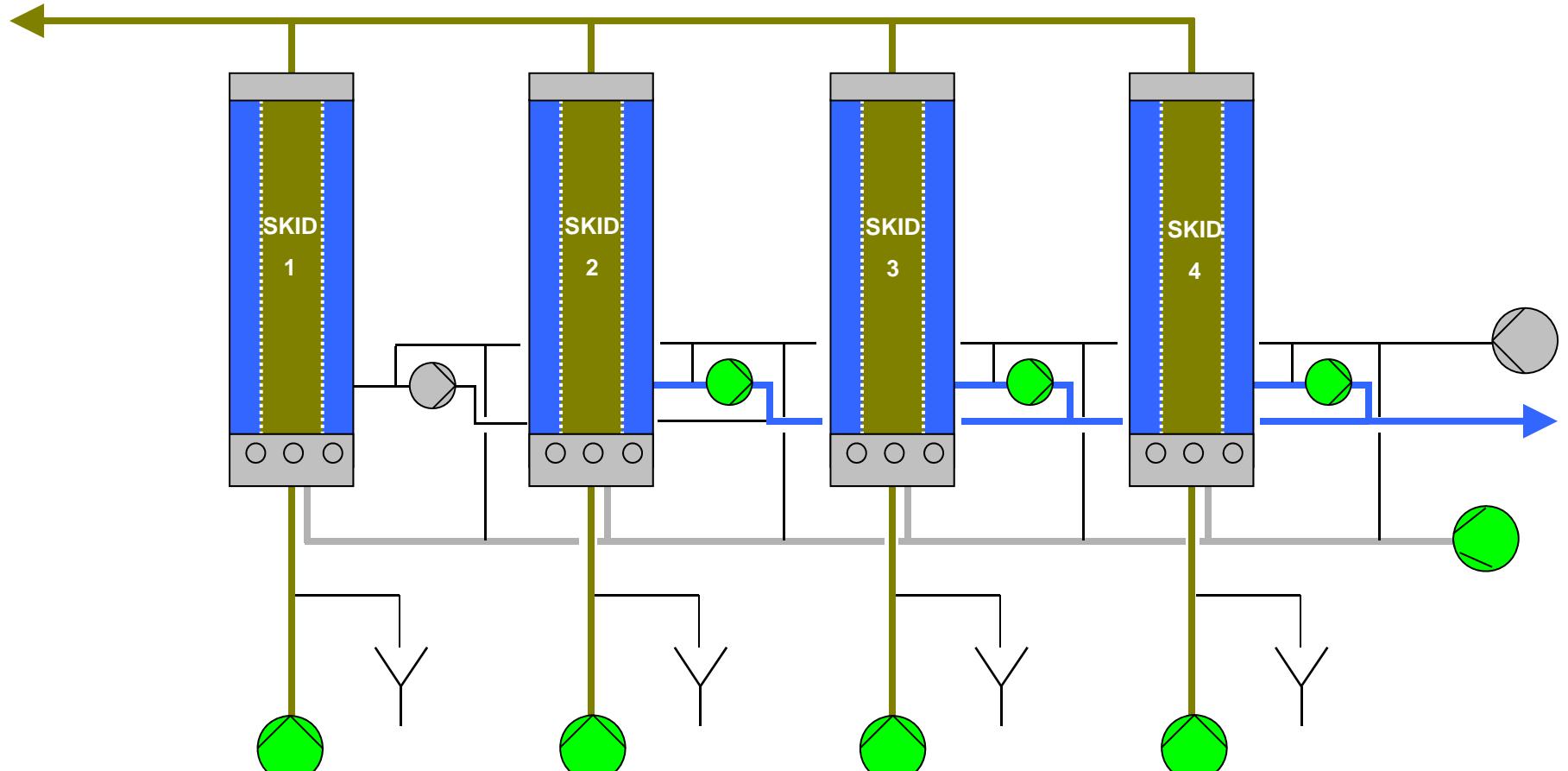
AirLift UF: CEB (Drain sequence)



**Chemical cleaning**

## 4. AL-UF process modes

AirLift UF: Relaxation



*Stop Filtration. Circulation and AirLift continue operating*

# 5. AL-UF design parameters

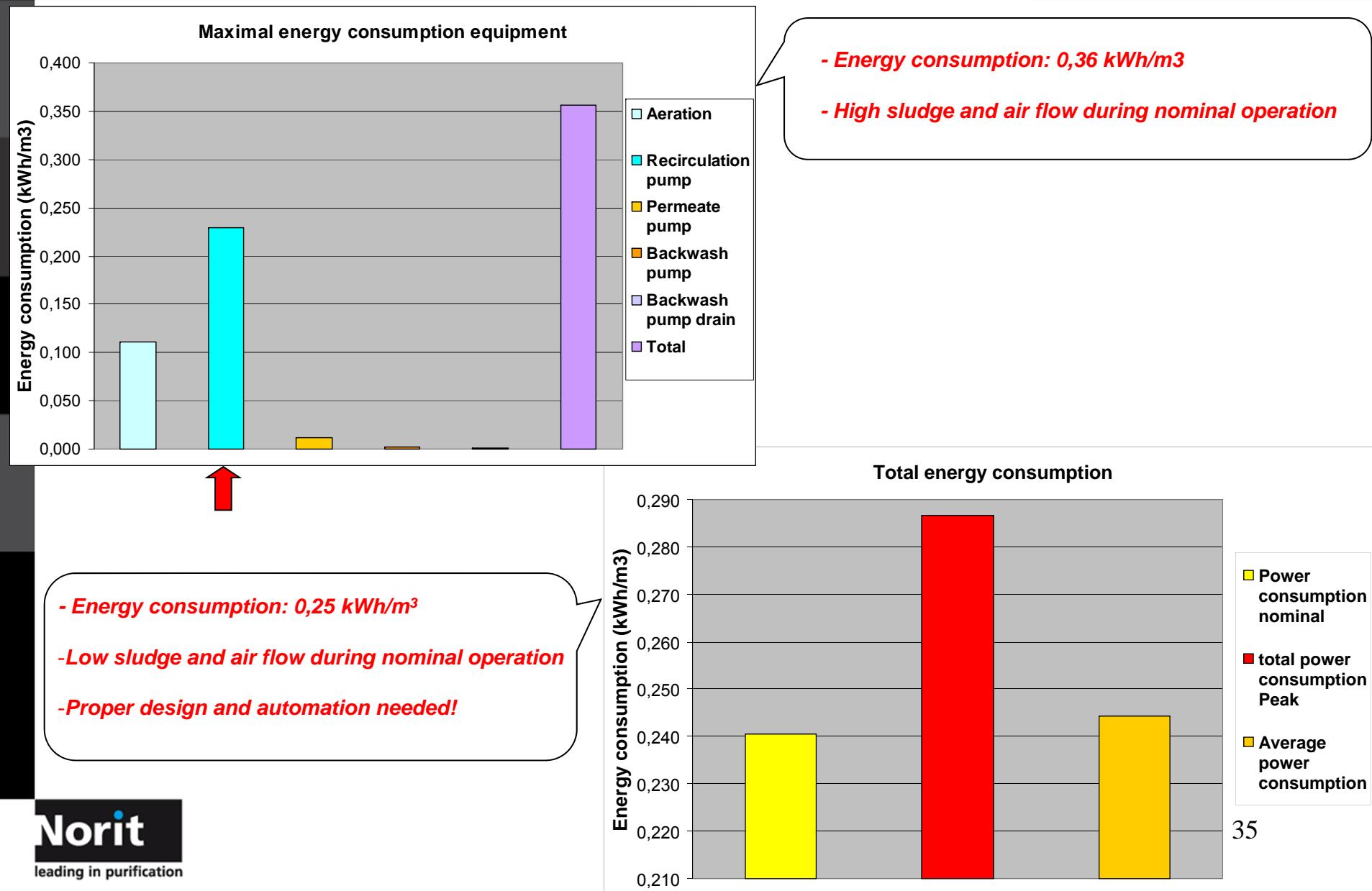
- **Filtration:**
  - Filtration flux (gross):
    - Average/ nominal 50 l/m<sup>2</sup>\*h
    - Peak flux ≤ 2hr 65 l/m<sup>2</sup>\*h
    - Peak flux ≤ 4hr 60 l/m<sup>2</sup>\*h
    - Peak flux ≤ 6hr 55 l/m<sup>2</sup>\*h
  - Filtration time (flux ≤ 50) 10 minutes
  - Filtration time (flux > 50) 7 minutes
  - TMP during filtration 0,05-0,25 bar
- Circulation flow (flux ≤ 50) **33 m<sup>2</sup>**
  - 17.1 m<sup>3</sup>/h
  - 22.8 m<sup>3</sup>/h
- Circulation flow (flux >50)
  - 10 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h
  - 5 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h
- Airflow (flux >50)
- Airflow (flux ≤ 50)
- Backwash:**
  - frequency: 7 - 10 min.
  - duration: 5 – 10 s
  - BW flux: 300 l/m<sup>2</sup>\*h
- **Drain sequence**
  - frequency: 4 – 6 /day
  - duration: 30 – 60 sec
  - BW flux: 300 l/m<sup>2</sup>\*h
- **Maintenance cleaning: CEB**
  - frequency: 1/month
  - duration: 1 - 4 hr
  - chemicals: citric acid 1 w%  
250 ppm NaOCl

**Design parameters with application  
municipal wastewater!**

**Performance 80-90%**

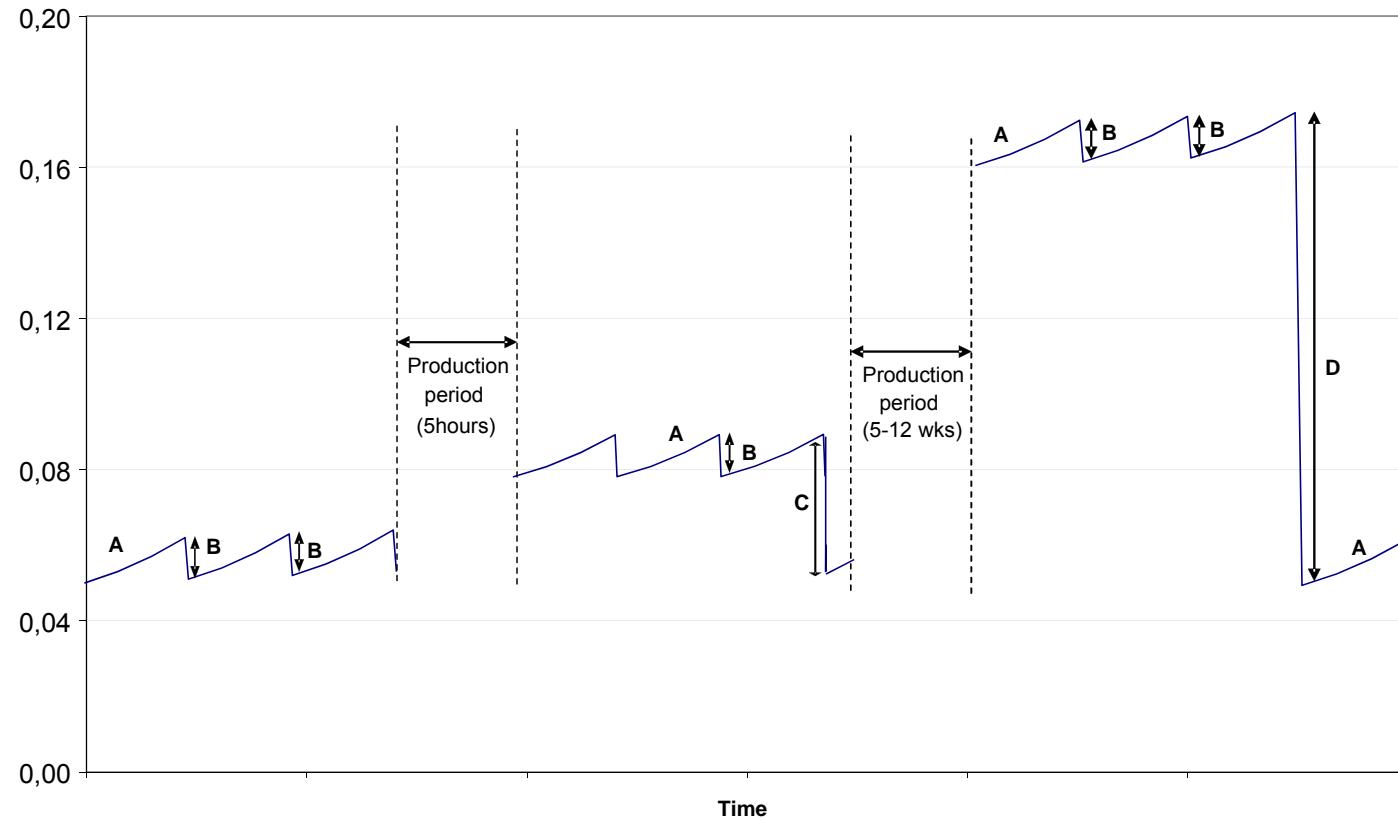
**Duration is with pneumatic valves  
installed!**

# Energy consumption



# 6. AL-UF typical operation data

Trans membrane Pressure (Bar)



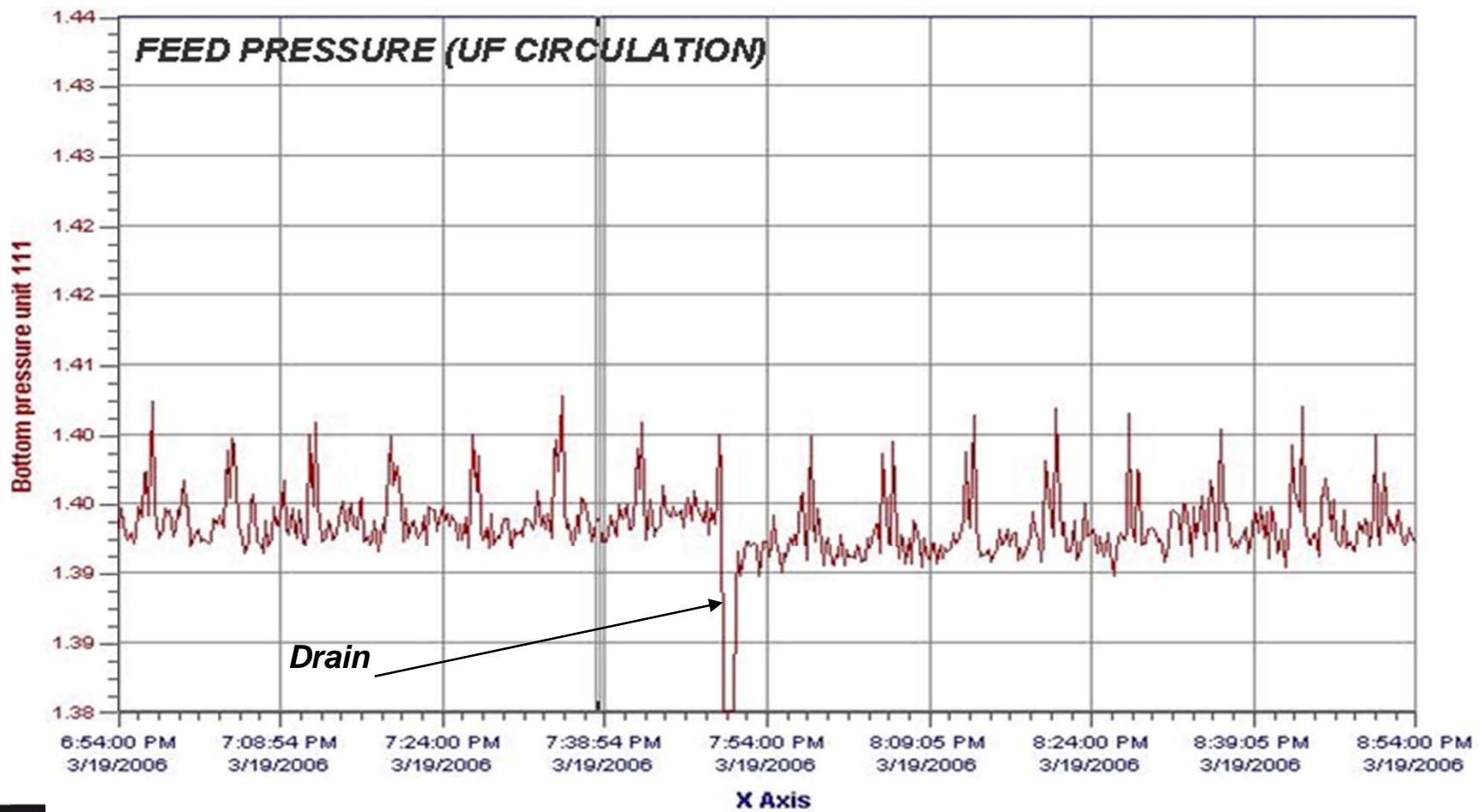
**A= filtration period**

**B= Backwash**

**C= Drain**

**D= CEB**

## 6. AL-UF typical operation data



# 7. AL-MBR: Examples

## AirLift MBR – Demonstration/ pilot plants



Austria - 1999



Netherlands 1999



Germany - 2001



Netherlands - 2002



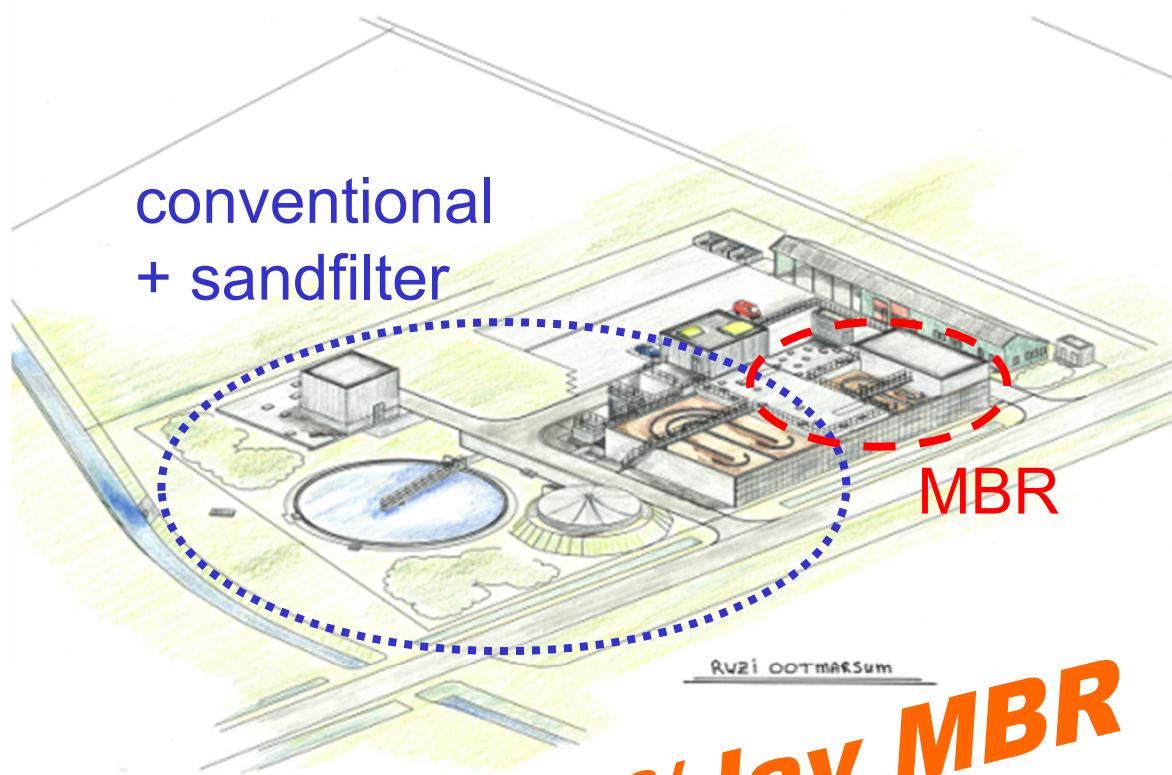
Japan - 2002



Netherlands 2004

## 7. AL-MBR: Examples

### WWTP Ootmarsum - Netherlands

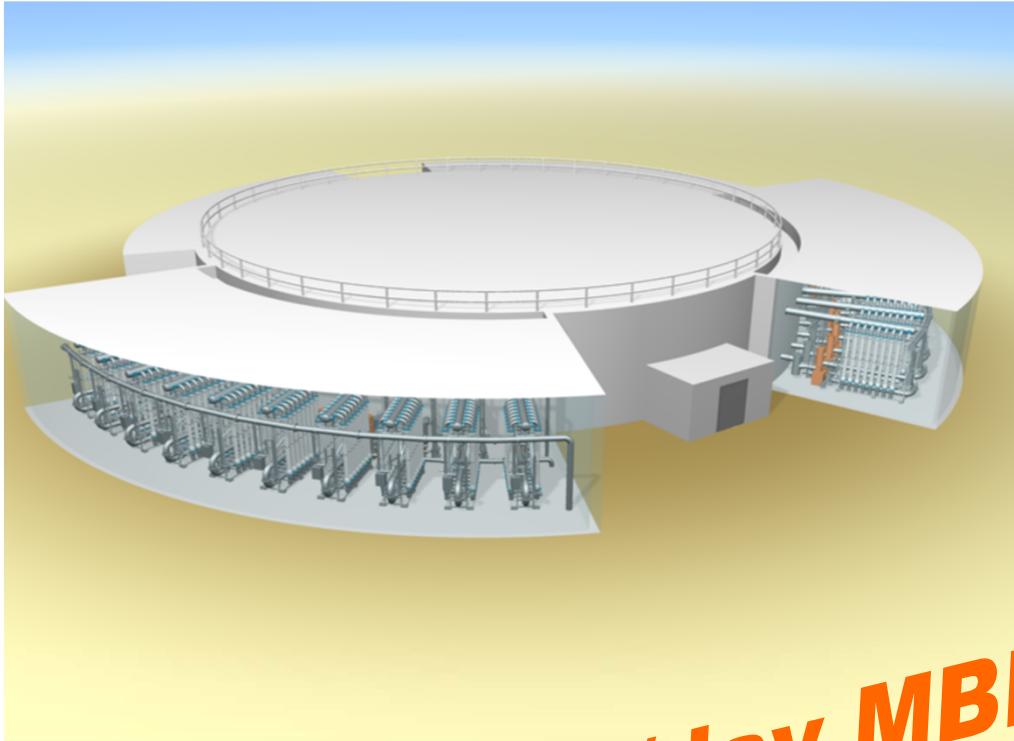


*3600 m<sup>3</sup>/day MBR*



## 7. AL-MBR: Examples

### MBR Palm Jumeirah - Dubai



17000 m<sup>3</sup>/day MBR



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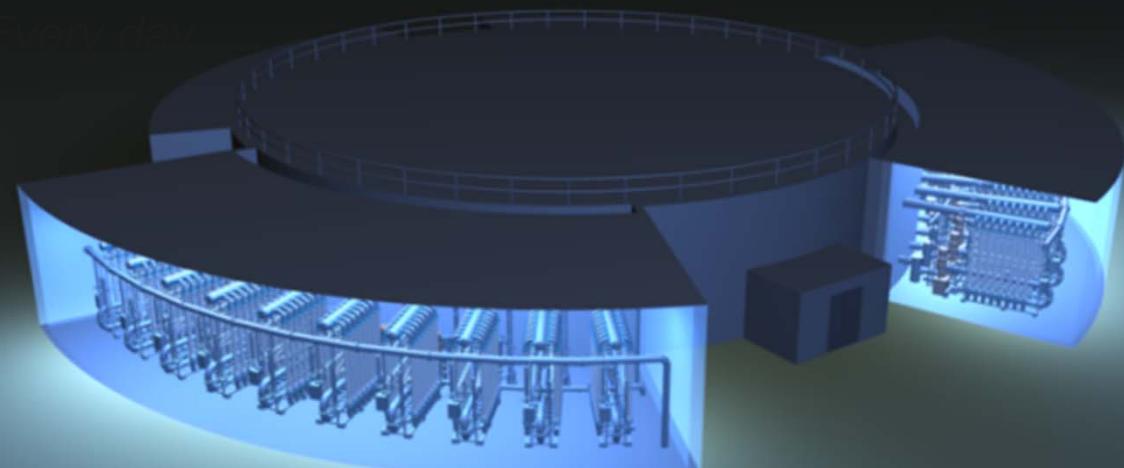
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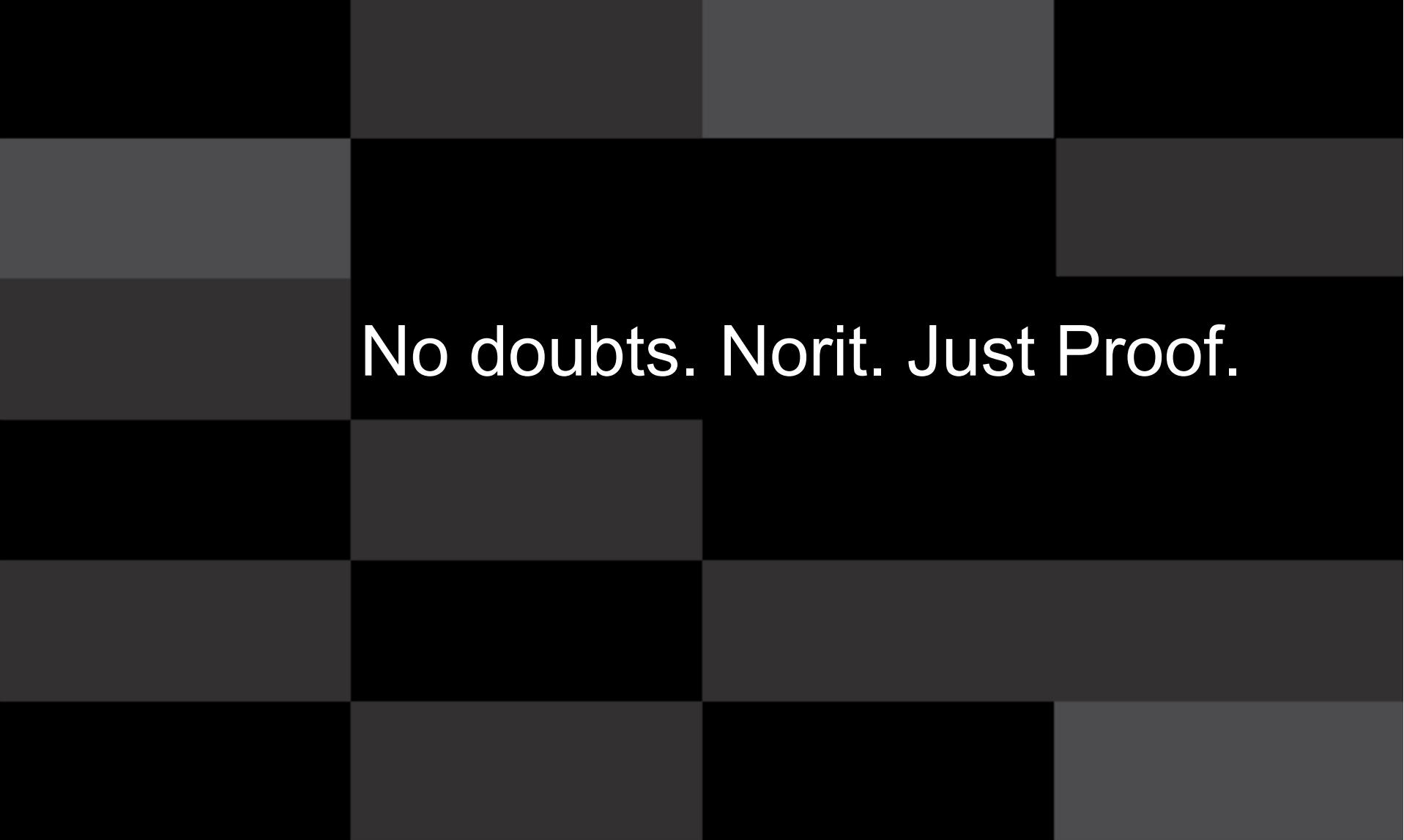
*10.000 m<sup>3</sup>/day MBR*

## NORIT AIRLIFT MBR

*Reliable & Clean  
Every day*



*And every night*



No doubts. Norit. Just Proof.

