



Waterschap  
Aa en Maas

# Helmonds Energie Convenant

*Duurzaamheid bij het waterschap*

23 november 2016



*Werken met water. Voor nu en later.*

# Inhoud

**Waterschappen in NL, WSAM**

**Energie en Grondstoffen**

**Cellulose terugwinning op rwzi Aarle-Rixtel**

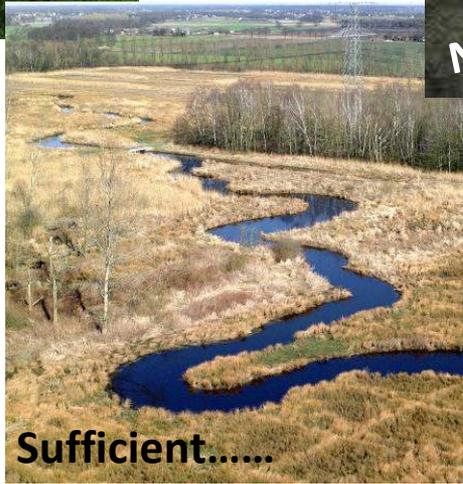
# Waterboards care for...



Safety.....



Natural.....



Sufficient.....



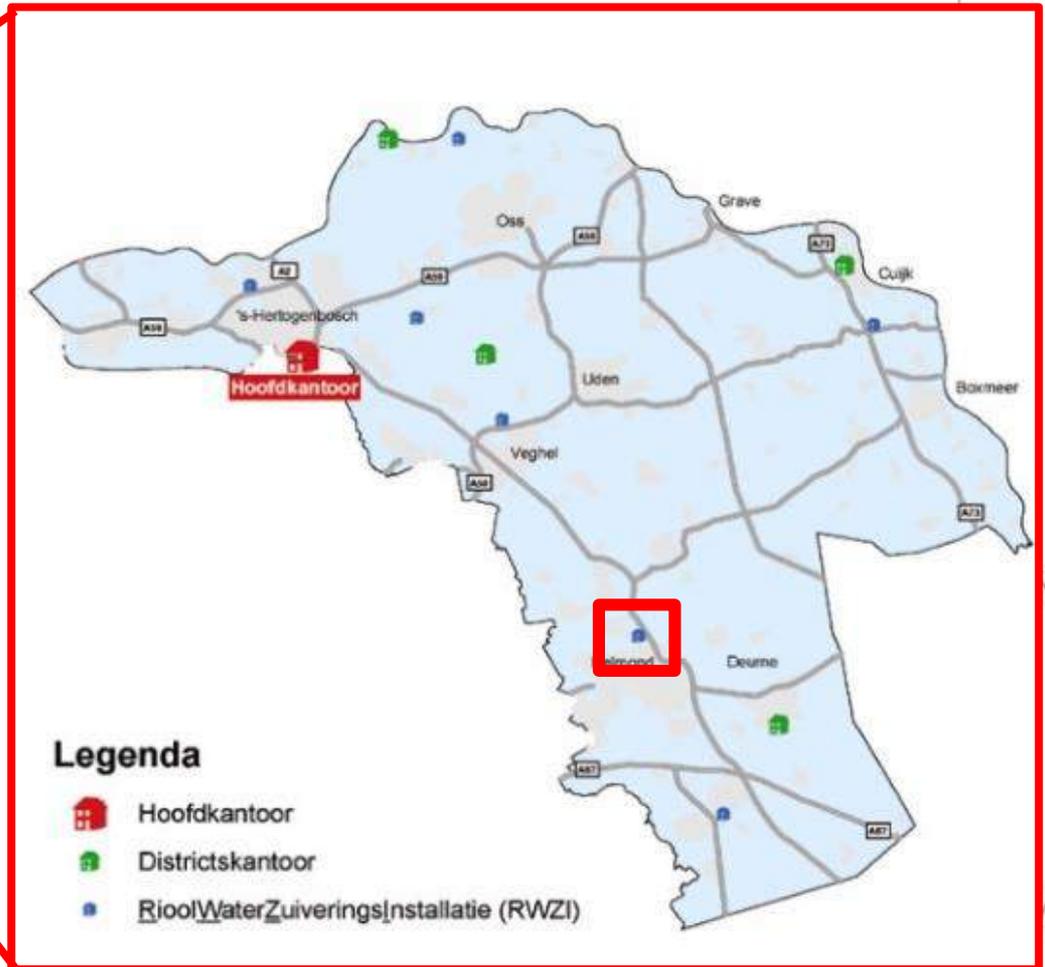
Clean.....

# WATER

# Waterboards Aa en Maas



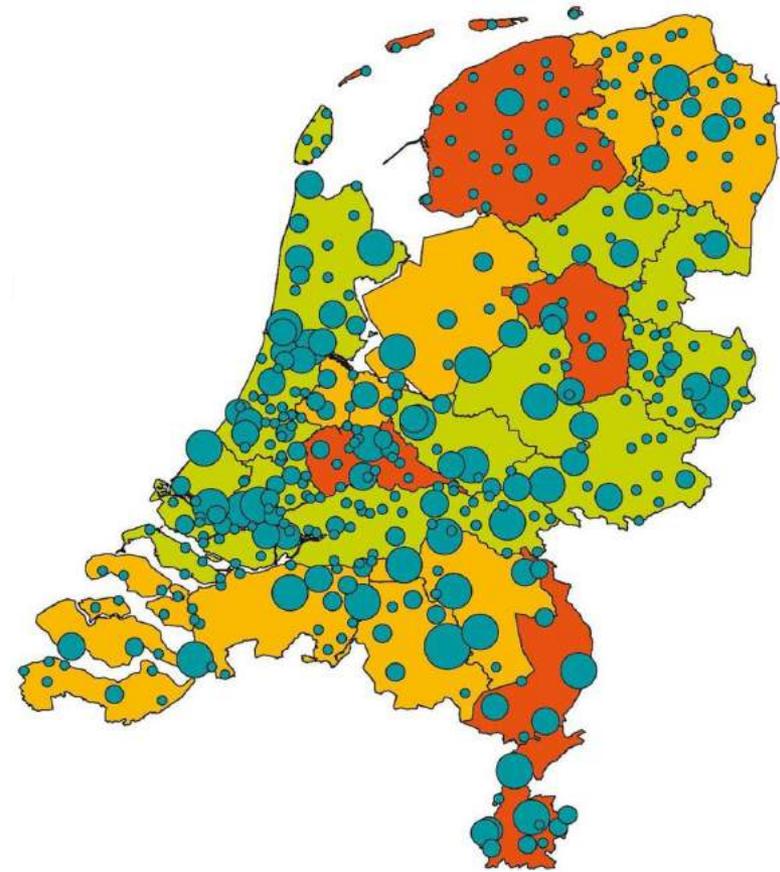
- 160.000 hectare
- 700.000 inhabitants
- 7 WWTP's
- 100 pumping stations
- 420 km sewerage pipelines



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**350 Energie- of  
Grondstoffenfabrieken!**



Bron: Topografische Dienst Kadaster.  
**Biomassaproductent  
van formaat!**

# Resources in waste water

Biomass



Water



Energy



Inorganics



# Waste water as a resource



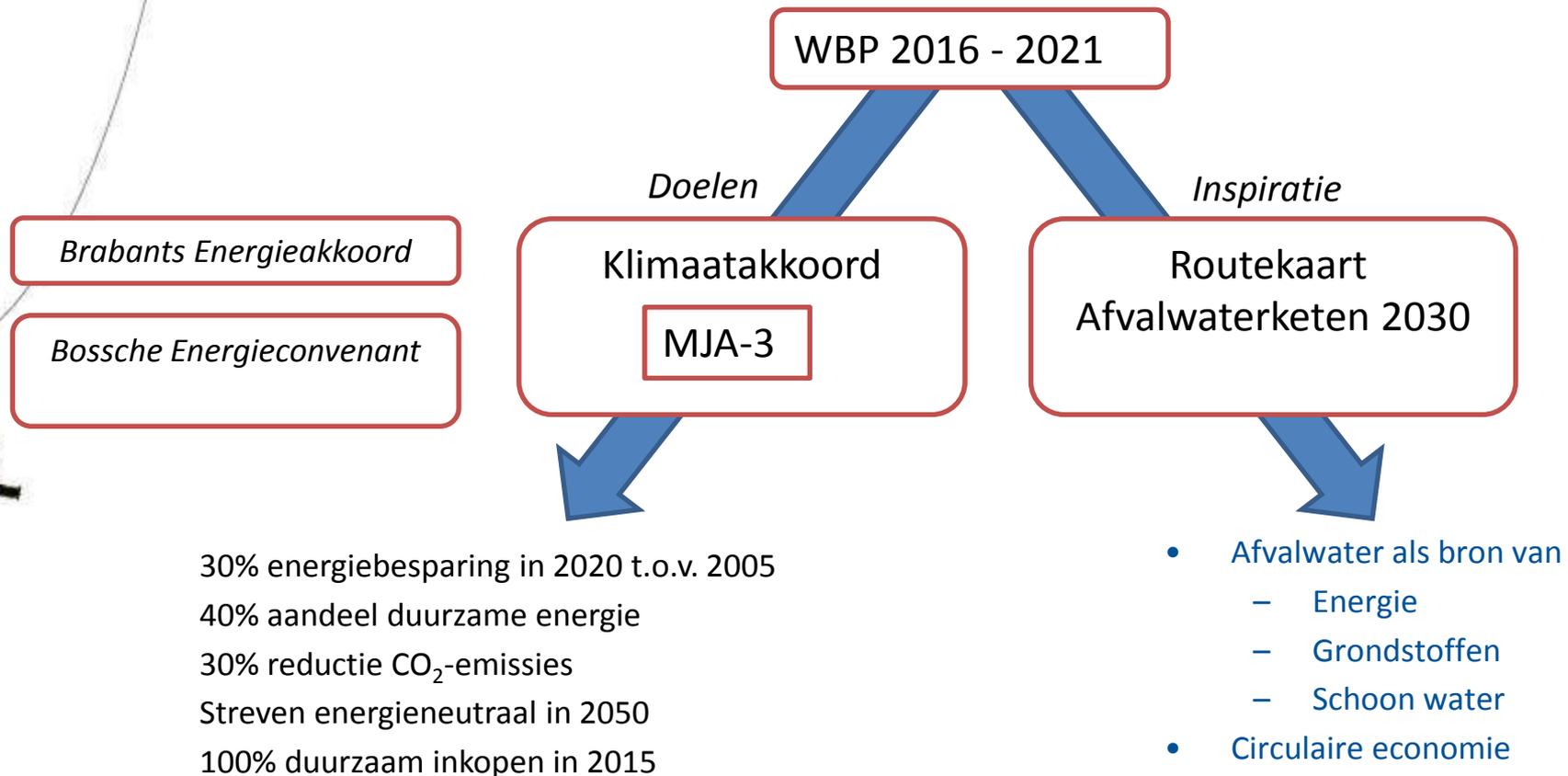
**There is no waste water,  
only water that is wasted**

**Grondstoffenfabriek**

**ENERGY  
FACTORY**



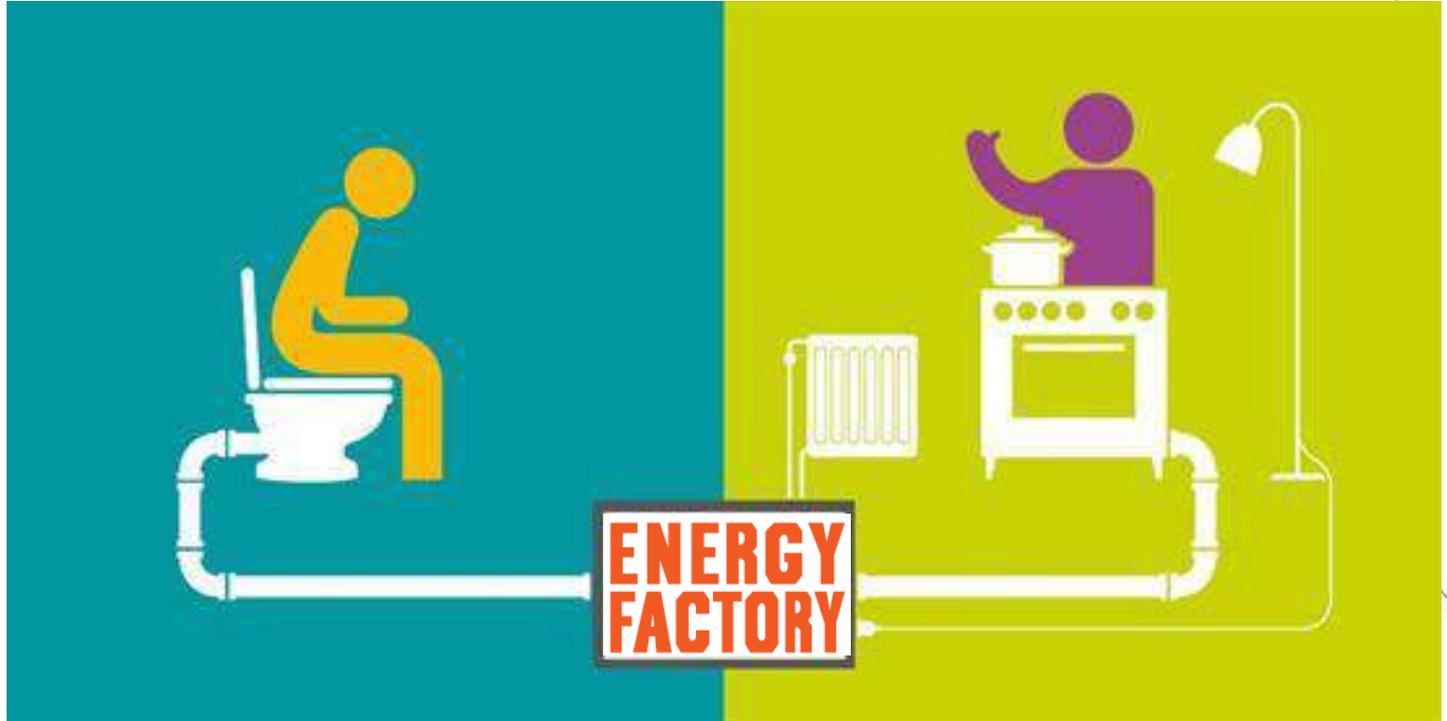
## Duurzaamheidsdoelstellingen Aa en Maas





# De energie fabriek

**ENERGY  
FACTORY**





# Grondstoffenfabriek

RWZI 's-Hertogenbosch, Energie fabriek

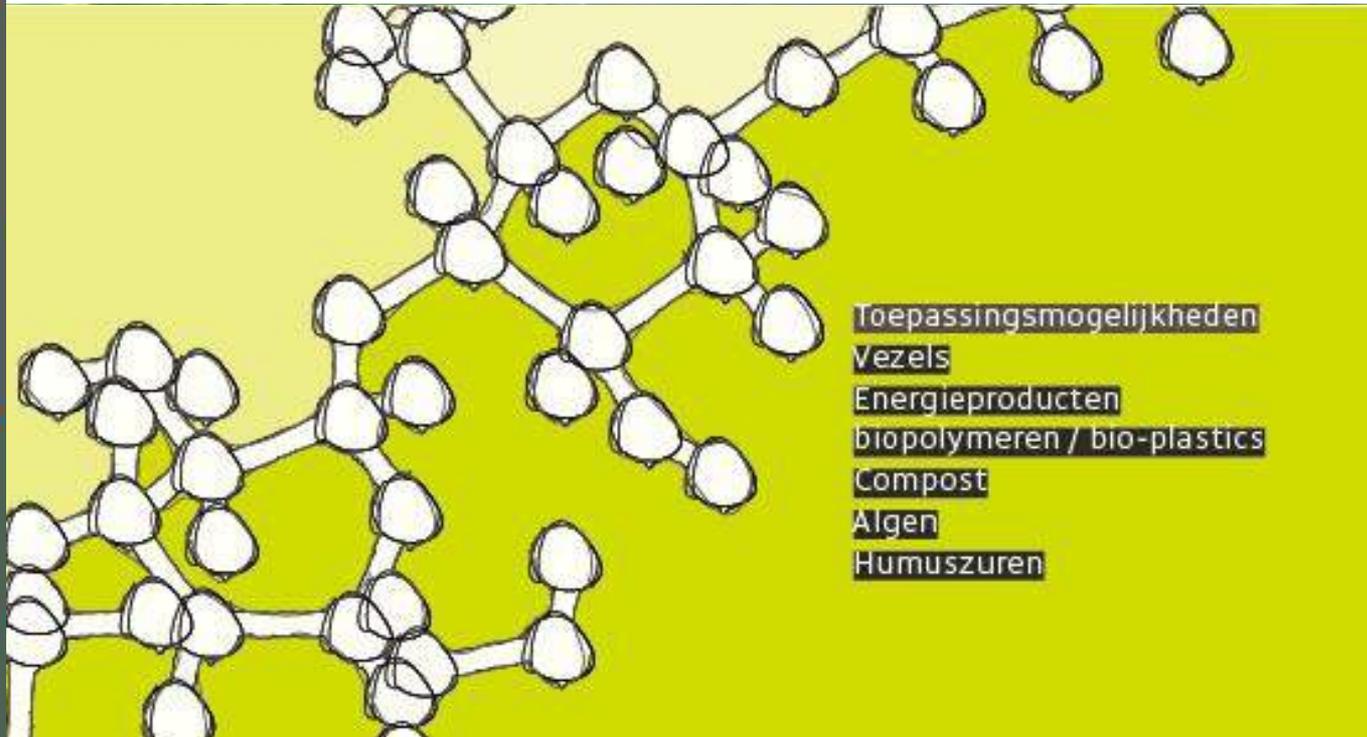


- Now 2.2 million m<sup>3</sup> biogas/yr
- Future: centralised digestion of sludge
- Production: up to 5.6 million m<sup>3</sup> biogas/yr
- **Or liquid biogas for 40 million km's by car per year!**

# Resource Factory



**ENERGY  
FACTORY**



Toepassingsmogelijkheden  
Vezels  
Energieproducten  
biopolymeren / bio-plastics  
Compost  
Algen  
Humuszuren

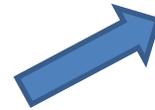
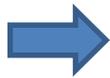
## Grondstoffenfabriek

# Raffinage van maaisel



Pilotproef bioraffinage in de Peel: 8 -12 september

# Bioraffinage pilot



Vezels



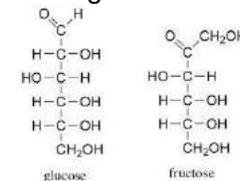
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producten



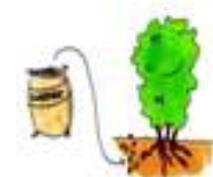
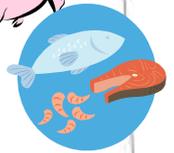
Meststof  
fosfaat



Biogas

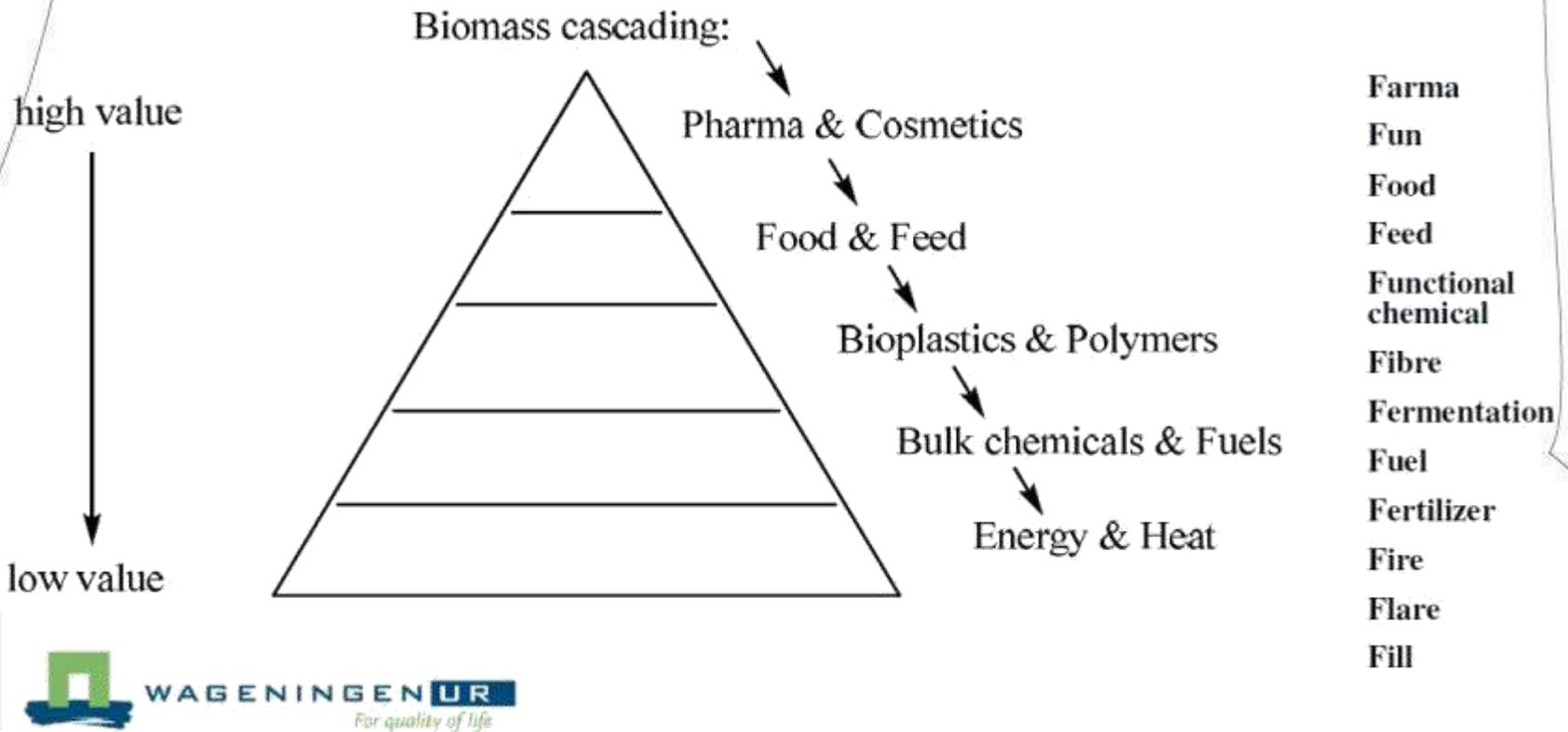


Suikers -> chemicals

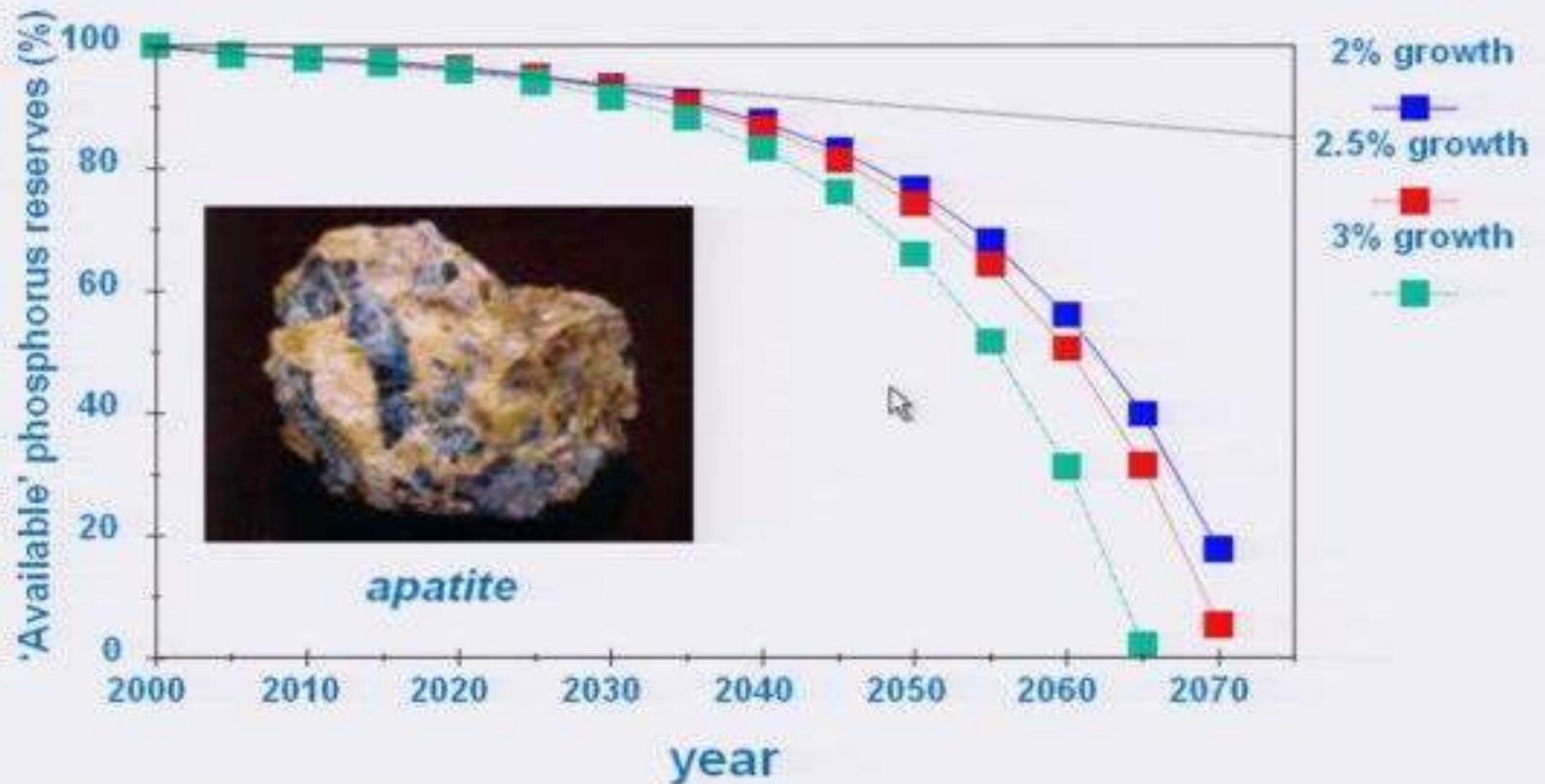


# Grondstoffenfabriek

## Biomass cascading



# Phosphorus reserves are running out



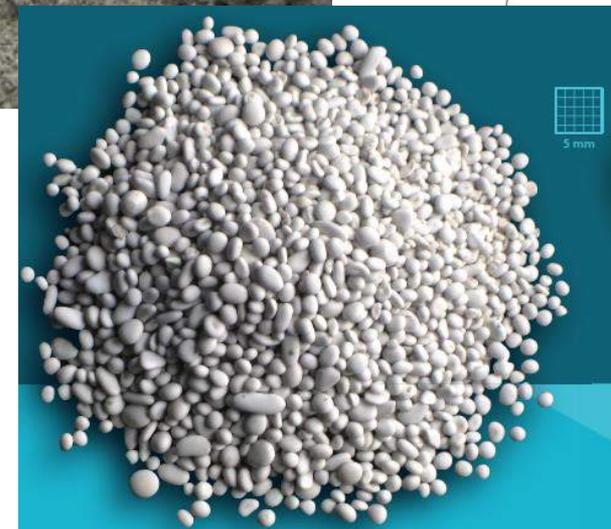
Source: Driver et al. (2001)

Slide:  
Jules

# Resource factory

## WWTP Cuijk – raw material for fertilizer

Recovery of phosphate in the form of struvite



## Resource recovery in Dutch practice

Already:

- ⊗ 5 WWTPs that recover phosphorus
- ⊗ 2 WWTPs that produce green gas
- ⊗ 2 Energy Factories (E production > E usage)
- ⊗ 5 WWTP that recovers cellulose as a resource
- ⊗ 1 WWTP with Nereda technology that can produce alginate

Opportunities

- ⊗ 350 possible biomass hubs
- ⊗ Bioplastics initiative on sludge

# Cellulose in riool water

Zwevende bestanddelen in rioolwater, circa 30% cellulose

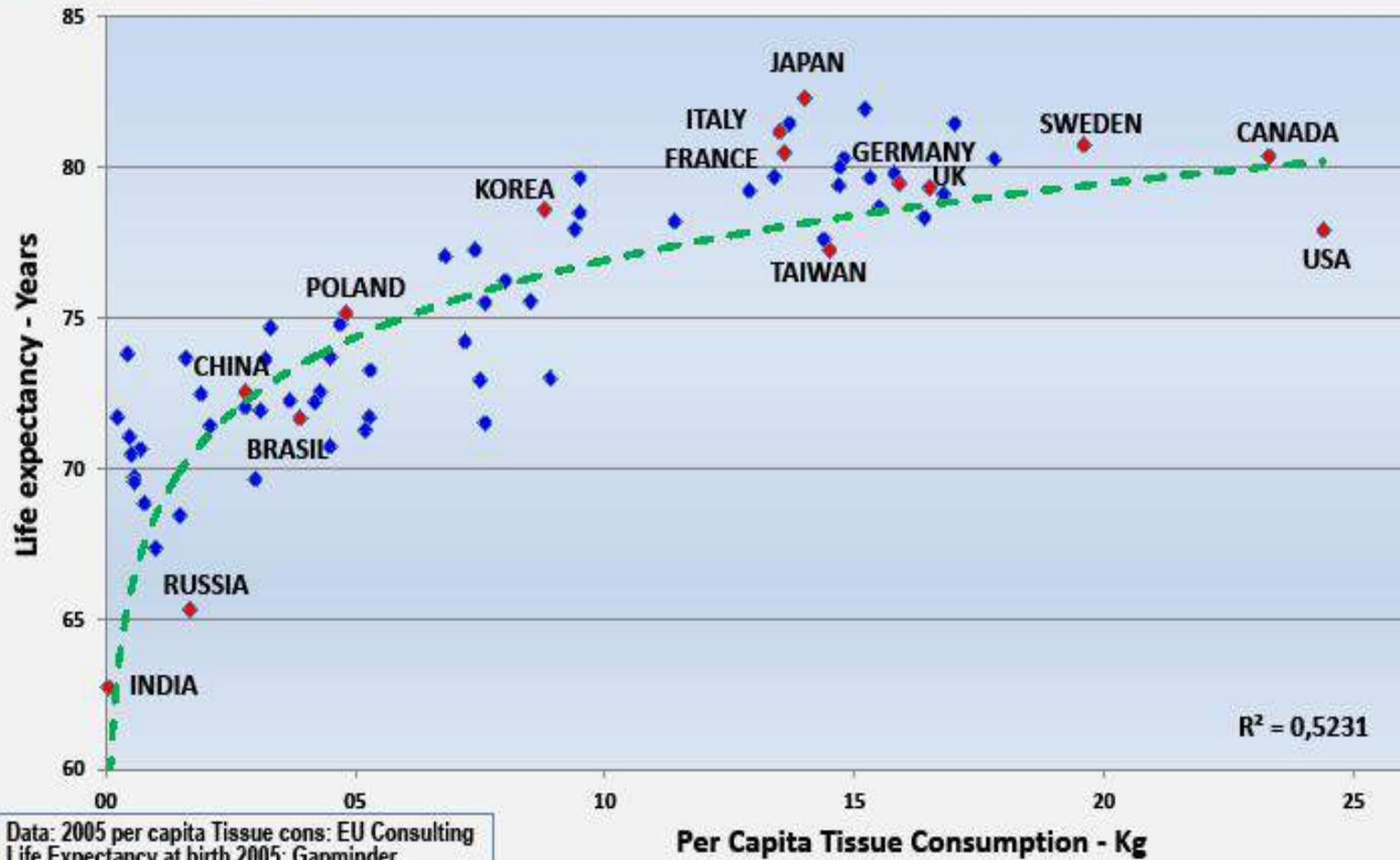
Cellulose herkomst is vooral toiletpapier

Hoeveel toiletpapier naar de rwzi?  
Toiletpapier verbruik per persoon?





## Comparison Tissue Consumption - - Life expectancy



# Cellulose vracht

10-15 kg toiletpapier / (persoon \* jaar)

Nederland: 150.000 ton/ jaar

RWZI Aarle Rixtel: 300.000 i.e.

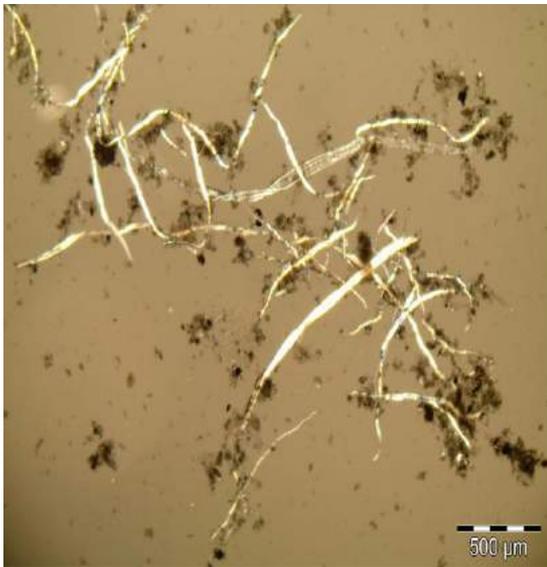
→ 2.000 ton DS/ jaar (= 5 ton DS/dag)

→ met 20 % DS → 25 ton “slib” (= 5 trucks / week)



# Cellulose in de RWZI

## Microscopische analyse: rwzi Aarle-Rixtel



Influent

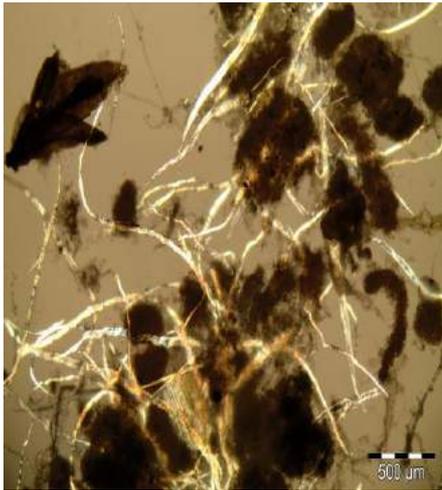


Activated sludge

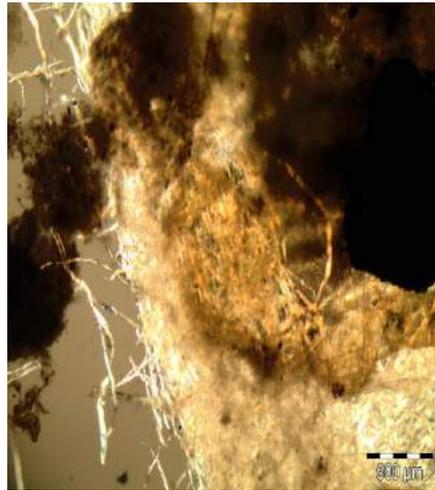


# Cellulose in the WWTP

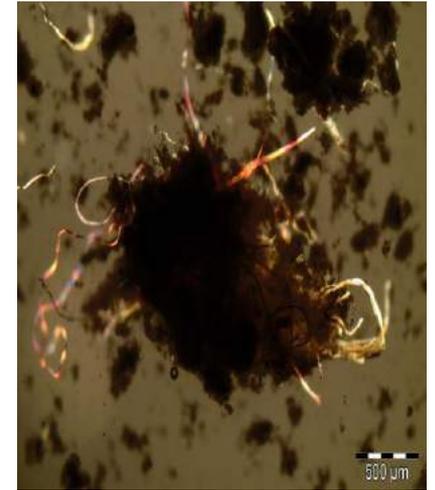
Microscopic analysis: (wwtp Aarle Rixtel, aerobic)



Thickened sludge

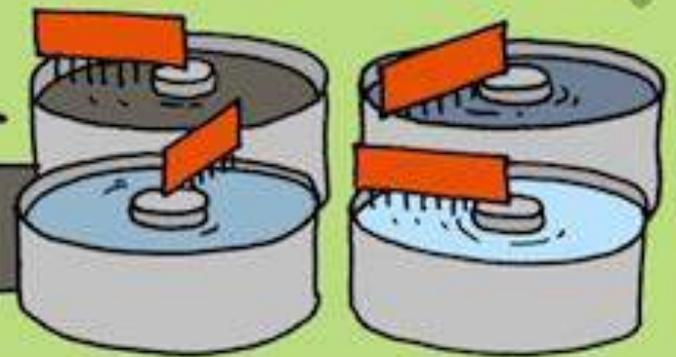
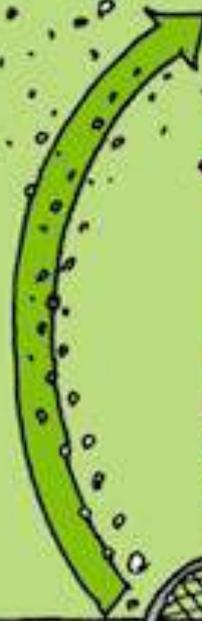
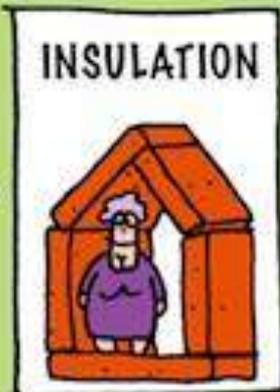


Dewatered sludge



Conclusion: bad bio-degraded in aerobic → cellulose ends up in dewatered sludge, to be incinerated





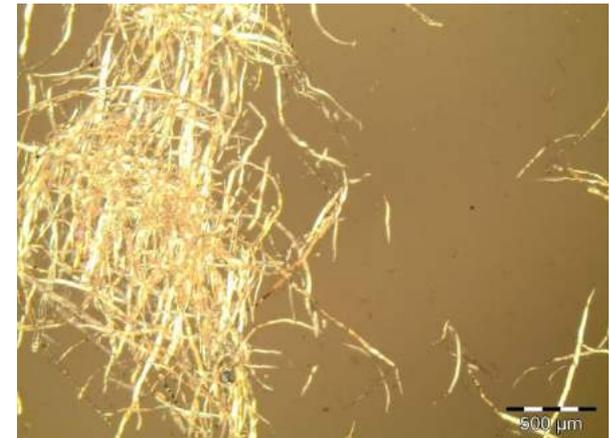
# Cellulose recovery from influent

## Advantages:

- Capacity improvement wwtp (reduction load, more active sludge)
- Reduction waste sludge load (costs!)
- Resource recovery

## Techniques/ Methods:

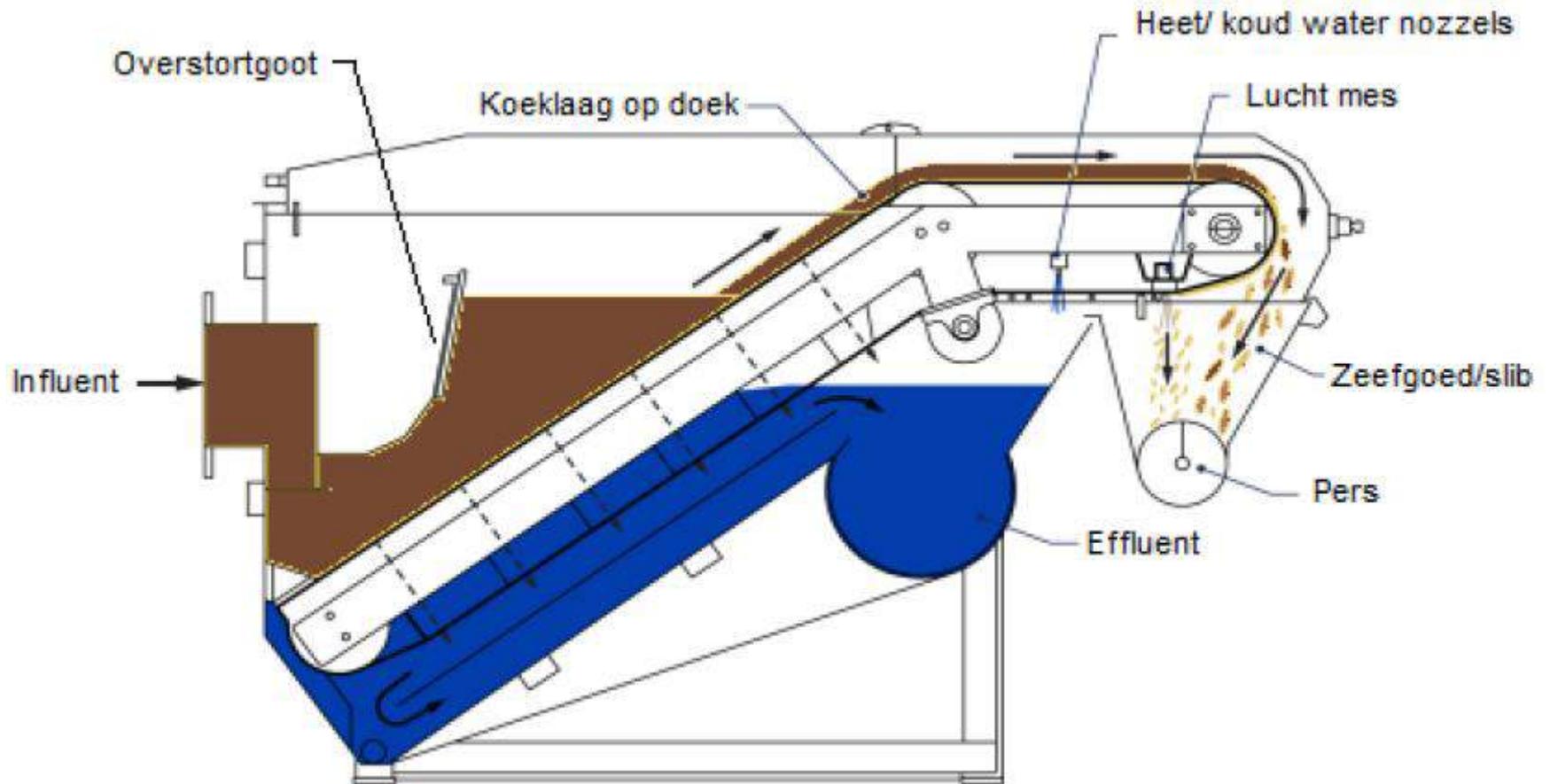
- Fine screens
- Other screening techniques
- DAF
- Flocculation
- Lamellae separation
- Membranes
- Pre settlers



# Fijnzeef rwzi Blaricum



# Fijnzeef schematisch



# Fine screen-projects in Netherland

Blaricum	2010	1 FZ	Onderzoek
Ulrum	2015	1 FZ	CADOS: zeefgoed als hulpstof slibontwatering
Uithuizermeeden	2015	2 FZ	Capaciteitsuitbreiding
Beemster	2016	8 FZ	Cellucycle: enzymatische omzetting naar suikers, PLA Capaciteitsuitbreiding
Aarle-Rixtel	2016	8 FZ	Screencap: onderzoek impact fijnzeven op rwzi proces Capaciteitsuitbreiding



# Removal efficiency



OB	50 %
CZV	20 %
BZV	15 %
Nkj	1 %
P	1 %



# Impact on wwtp process ?

- Impact on biologic processes
  - N-removal (COD/N)
  - P-removal (COD/P, reduction surplus-sludge)
- Surplus (waste) sludge production
- Sludge composition (inerte components, bacteria)
- Sludge activity
- Settling characteristics sludge
- Dewaterability sludge (DW%, PE-consumption)
- Energy consumption (aeration, pump, screen...)
- Maintenance



# Screencap

Aim: determine the impact of fine screens on wwtp process

WWTP Aarle-Rixtel, 300.000 pe  
CIP ECO grant

8 finescreens

Start up : october 2016

Capacity 4.000 m<sup>3</sup>/h (DWA+)

2 identical paralell wwtp-lanes

During research: fine screens in operation at one wwtp-lane

Compare fine screen-lane with conventional lane

Investigation period: approx. 1 year



Co-funded by the Eco-innovation  
Initiative of the European Union



# Composition screenings

- Water.... (DM%)
- Fibers
  - cellulose
  - hemicellulose
  - lignine
- Fat
- Protein
- Ash/ inorganics
- Other.....



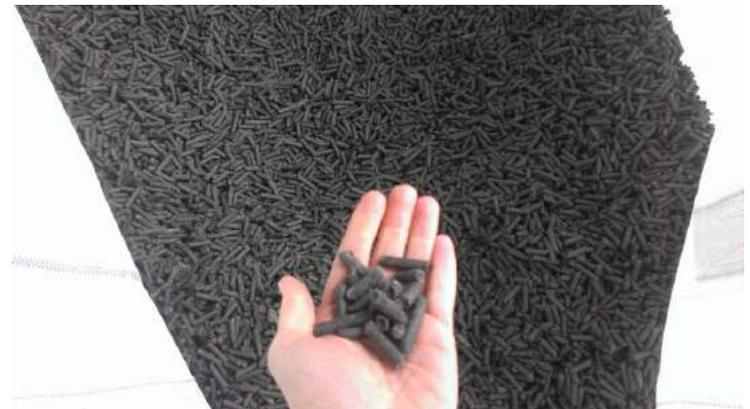
# Toepassing zeefgoed (cellulose)

Application:

Fibres ?

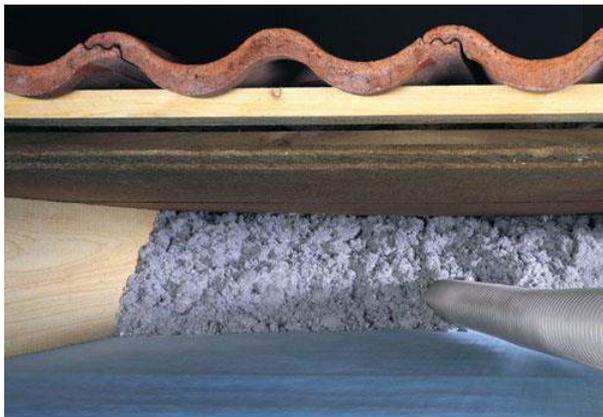
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chemical composition ?



# Application fibres

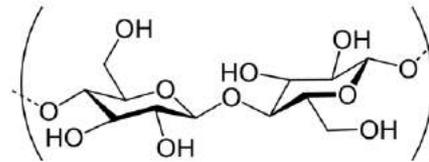
- Paper
- Insulation material
- Fibre reinforced plastics, bio-composite
- Component/ additive in tarmac
- Concrete additive



# Application: chemical

## Fuel:

- Digestion → biogas
- Incineration (pellets)



Pyrolysis: (gas, bio-oil, organics, carbon)

## Enzymatic degradation

- Sugars
- Fatty acids (f.i. paint industry)
- (Bio) ethanol
- PLA (bioplastic)
- PHA (bioplastic)



# Applications, other

- Additive sludge dewatering (Cados, wwtp Ulrum)
- Drift fighter
- Improve soil composition, composting
- Mushroom production
- Feedstock goats
- Cementous (ash, after incineration)



# WWTP Aarle Rixtel

- 1a Ontvangput persleidingen
- 1b Ontvangput vrijverval
- 2 Influentgemaal
- 3 Roosterinstallatie
- 4 Zandvanger
- 5 Actief slib tanks 1 en 2
  - Anaëroebetank
  - Voordenitrificatietank
  - Omloopcircuit
- 6 Verdeelwerk 1 en 2
- 8 Nabezinktanks 1 t/m 8
- 8a Nabezinktanks 9 en 10
- 9 Effluentgoot
- 10 Retourslibvijzels 1 t/m 8
- 10a Retourslibgemaal 9 en 10
- 11 Spuislibgemaal
- 12 Laagspanningsruimte beluchting
- 13 Indiktanks 1 t/m 3
- 14 Extern slibbuffertank
- 15 Slibgemaal
- 16 Slibmengtank
- 17 Ingedikt slibgemaal
- 18 Slibverwerkingsgebouw
- 19 Luchtbehandeling
- 20 Bedrijfsgebouw
- 21 Regiokantoor

