

Omni Processor for Fecal Waste

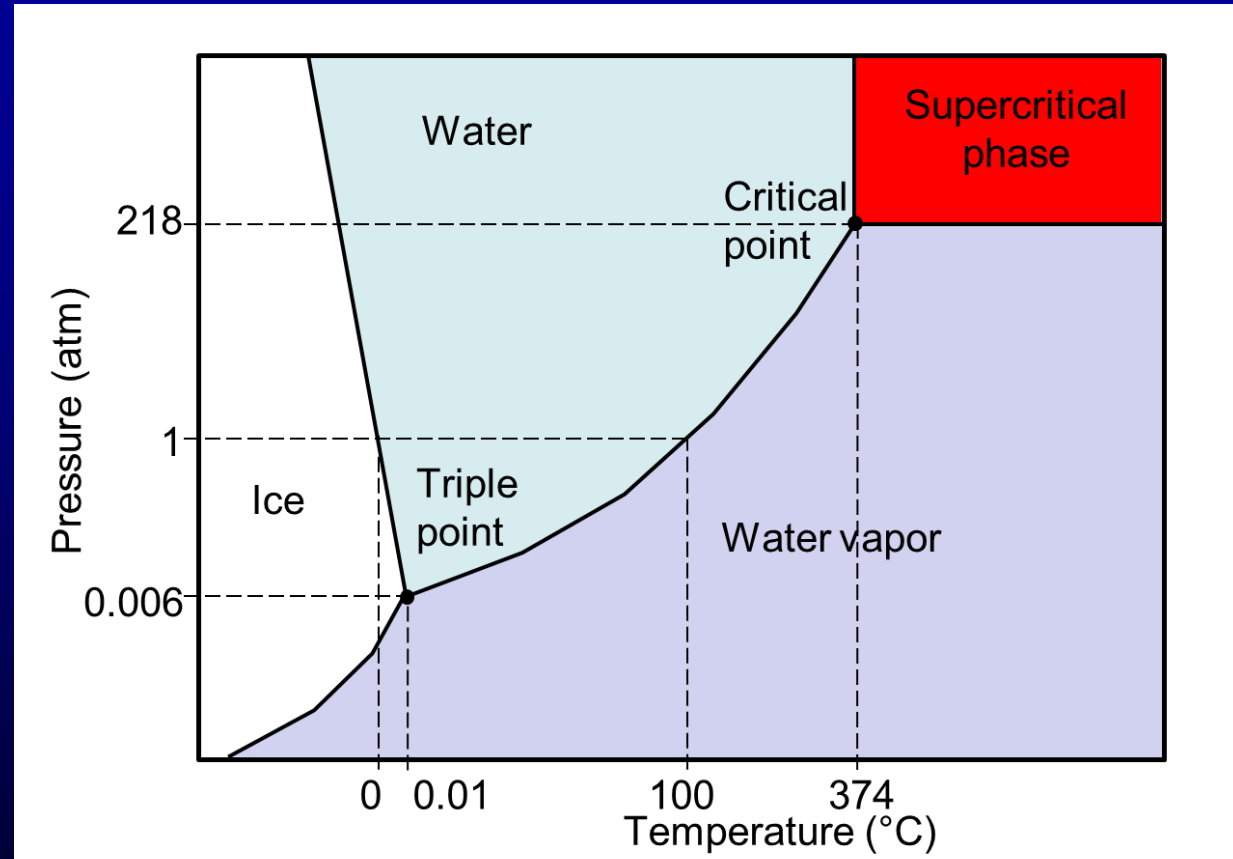
Sanitation for the urban poor using **supercritical water oxidation (SCWO)**. Prototype unit will treat the waste of ~1200 people



In supercritical water, organics are rapidly oxidized (in seconds) resulting in heat, and CO₂

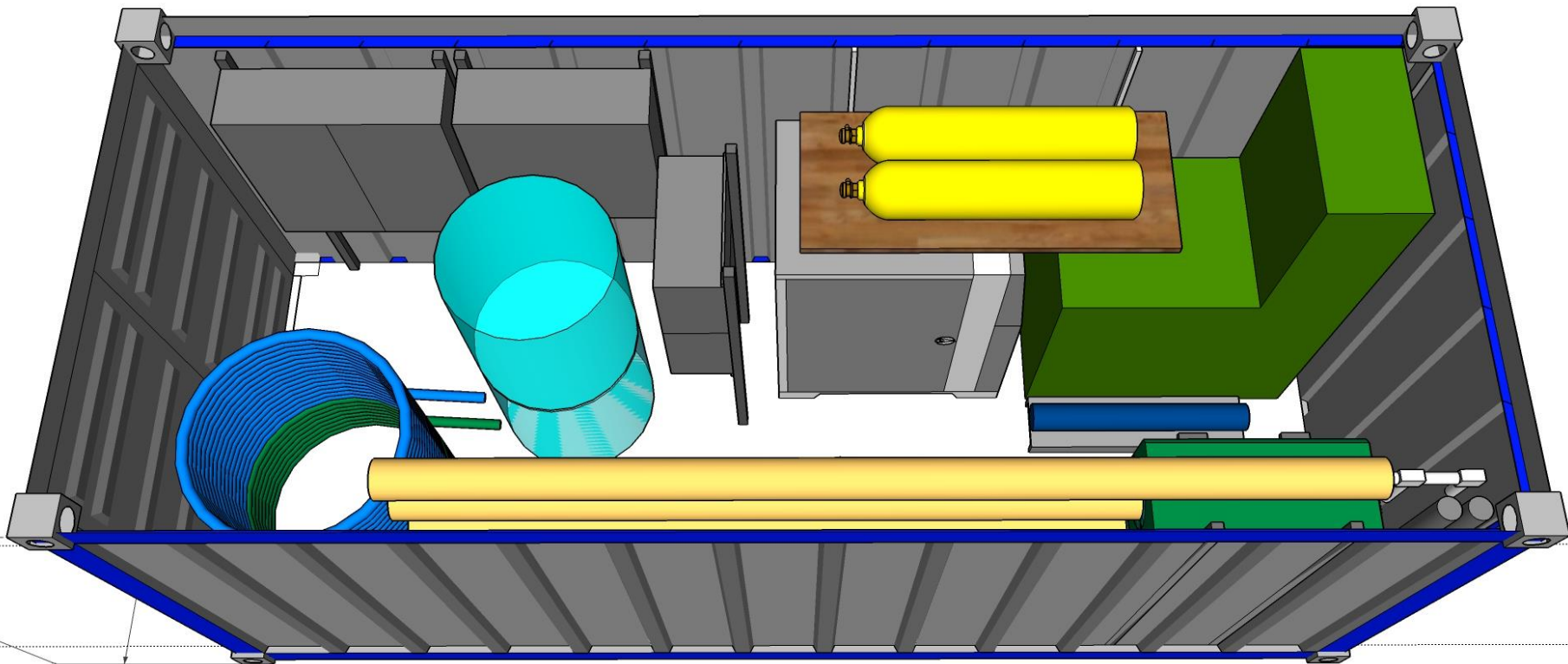
Influent
waste

Treated
effluent

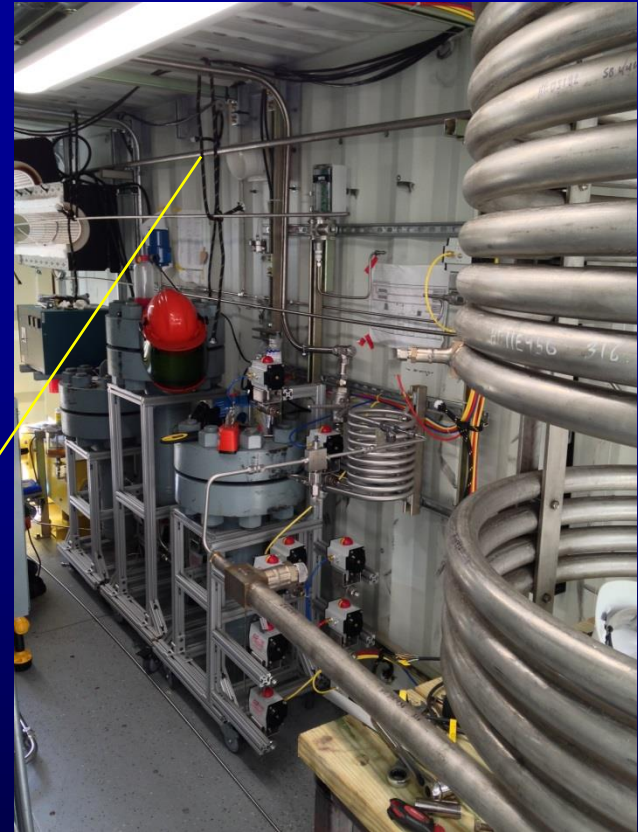


This is a pressure cooker on steroids!

3D model of our Supercritical Water Oxidation Unit

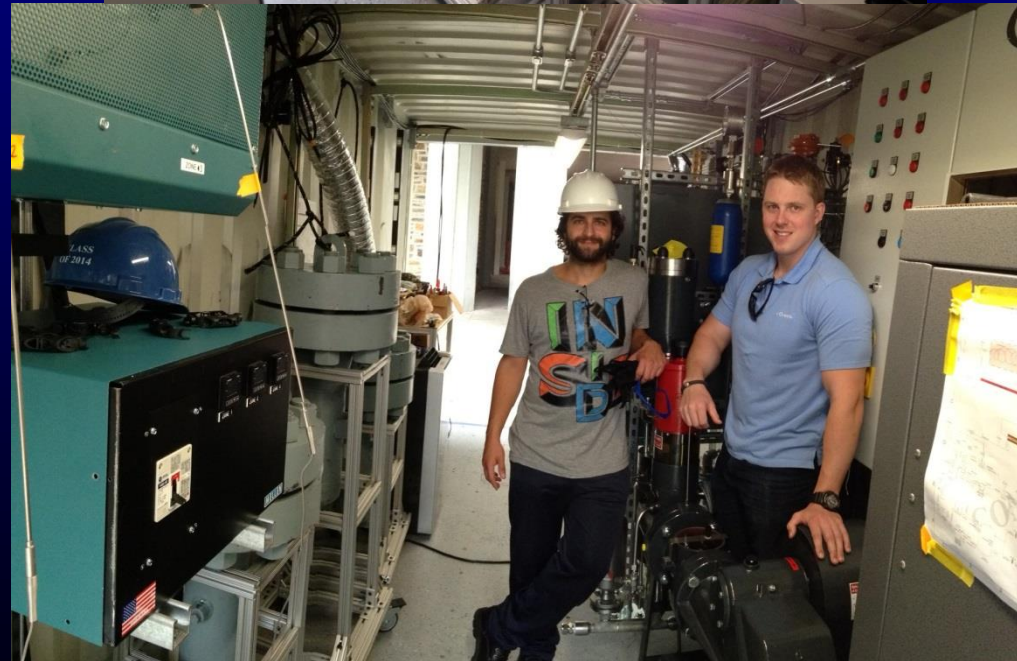


Pilot Unit Construction at Duke



- Assume feed ~7-15% solids
- Reactor ID: 19 mm
- Reactor length: 4.2 m
- Heat exchanger length: 39 m

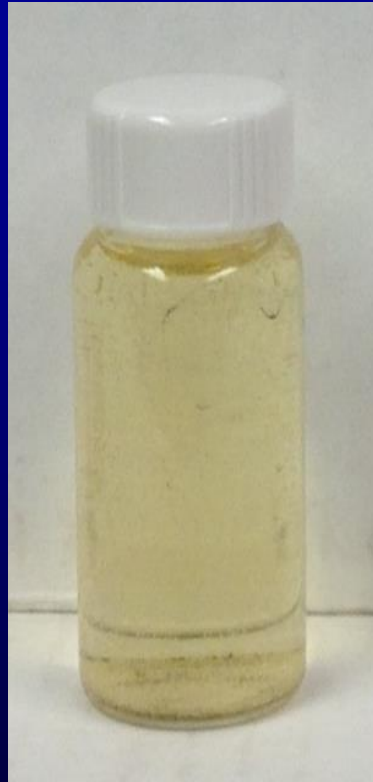
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Basic Kinetic Determinations



Feed
(5% solids)



18%
excess O_2

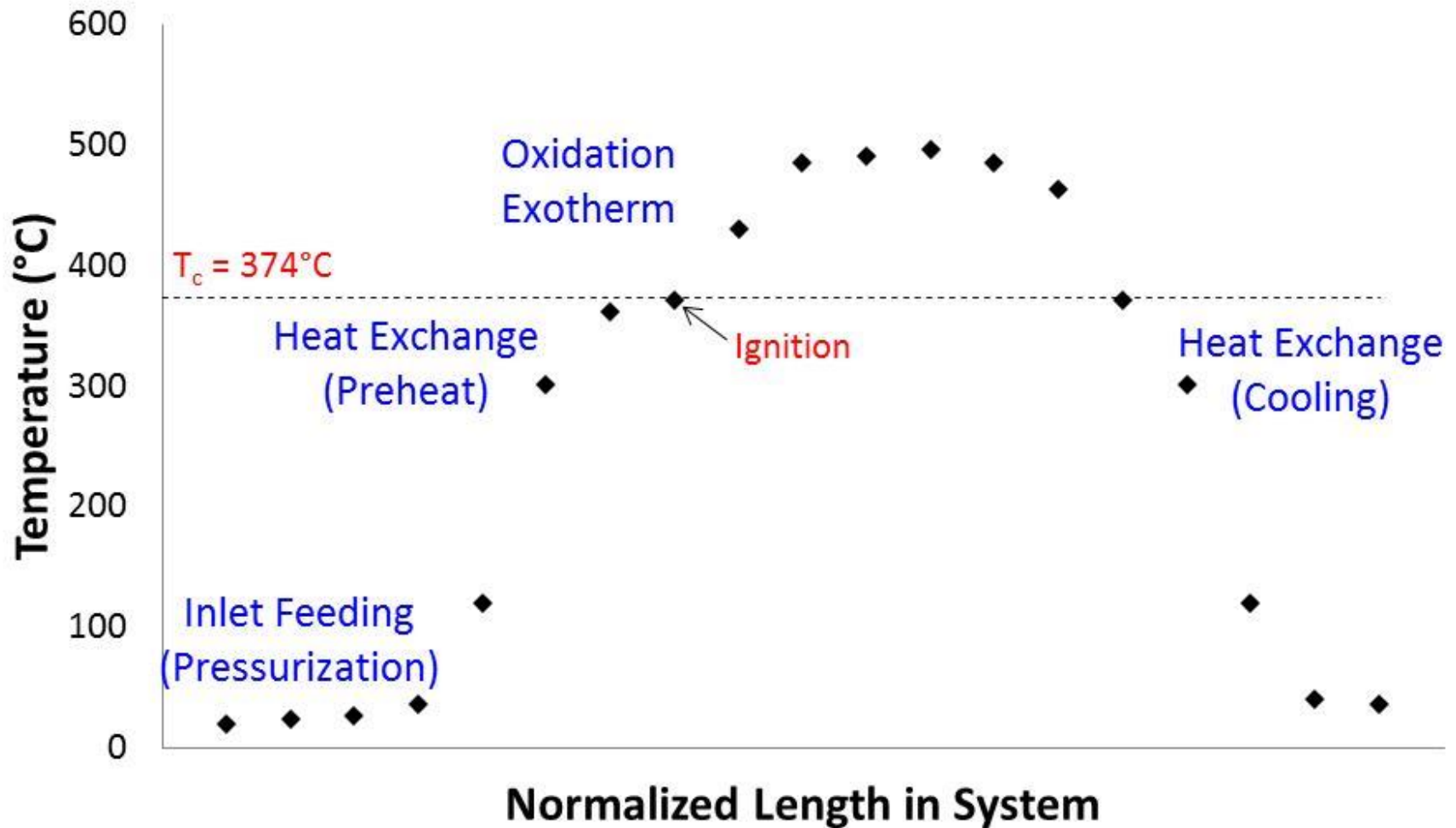


29%
excess O_2



48%
excess O_2

Test Run with 1.3% Isopropanol in our 20 ft Container Prototype



Future Plans

- Characterize/optimize performance with various fecal feedstock
- Identify O&M needs / Refine business model
- Evaluate the ability of SCWO to reach cost and treatment goals
- Revise/value engineer design (?)
- Field demonstration to follow (?) in 2016

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