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Dewatering Pre-Treatment of Faecal Sludge in Urban Slums

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Welcome to UGANDA

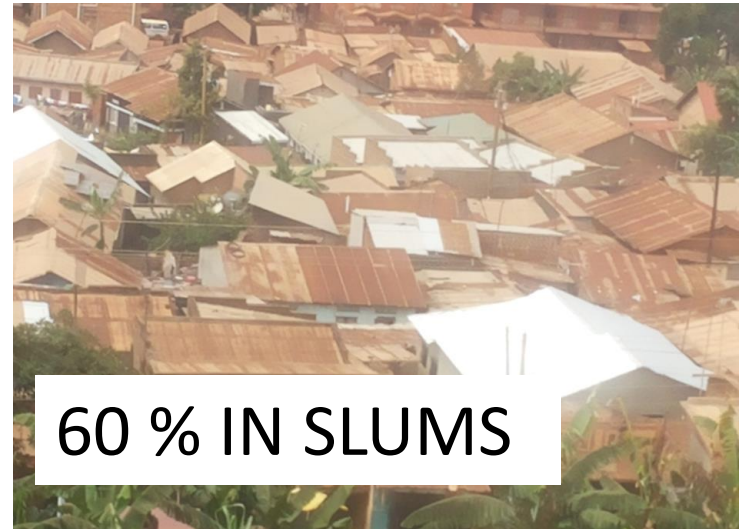


KAMPALA – CAPITAL CITY OF UGNADA



POPULATION

UGANDA	30 MILLION
KAMPALA	1.5 MILLION
	3.0 MILLION (DAY TIME)



60 % IN SLUMS

Sanitation status – Kampala UGANDA



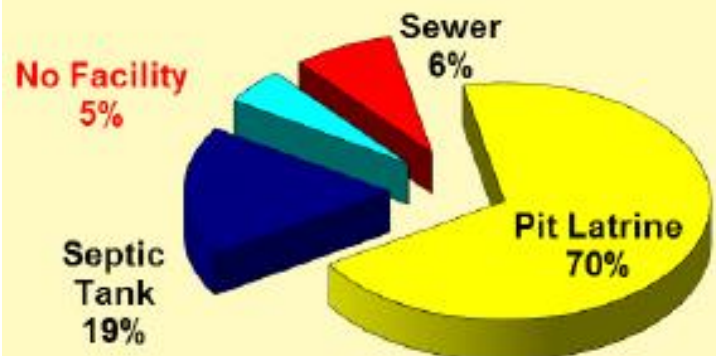
Over 90 % slum dwellers using **pit latrines**

Pit latrines

- Lined (70 %)
- Unlined



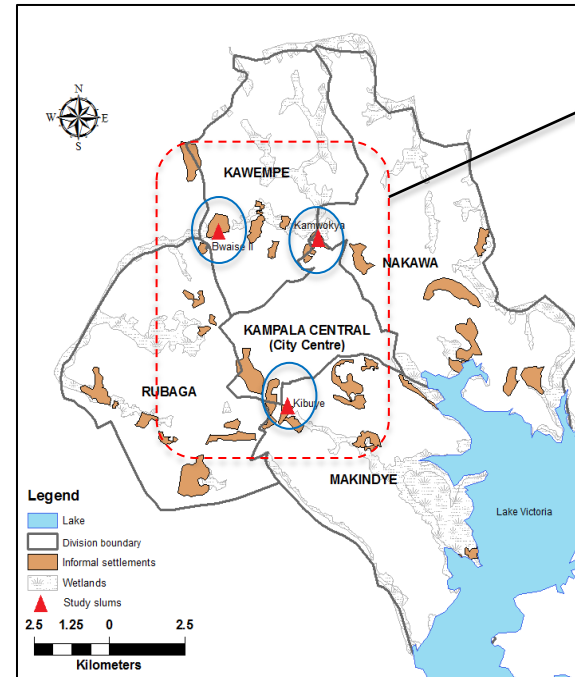
70 % of the pits are FULL
- Unemptied



Sanitation status – Kampala UGANDA

- Uncollected FS mainly found in Urban slums

- High housing density
- High transportation costs



Housing Density
(house structures/km²)

2,200
5,080
1,240



- Limited access to mechanized emptying



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When pit latrines in slums are full

- Abandoned
- Empty into environment
- Use semi-mechanized technologies

Empty into environment



Manual-aided technologies



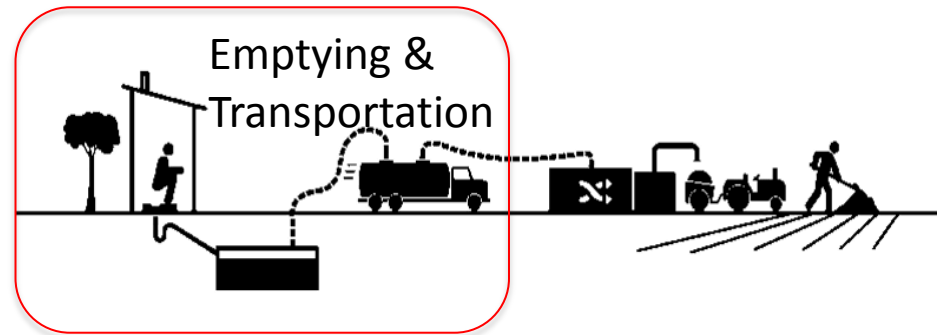
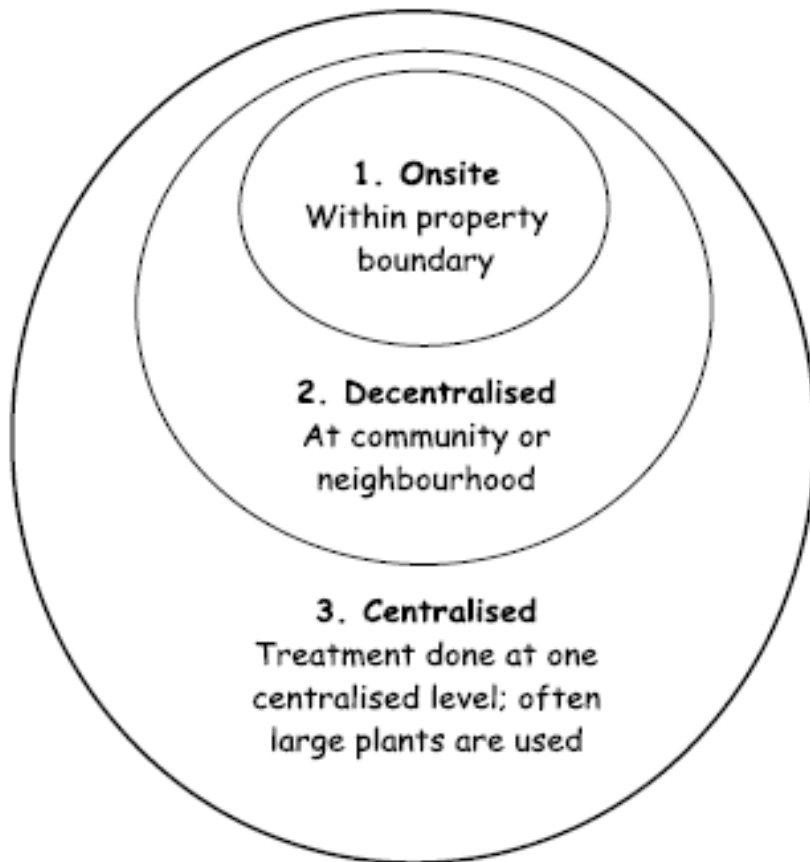
65% costs on transportation

Abandoned



Decentralized Management

Reduction of **emptying costs**, increase number of **latrines emptied** and reduce unsafe disposal into **environment** and related **public Health risks**



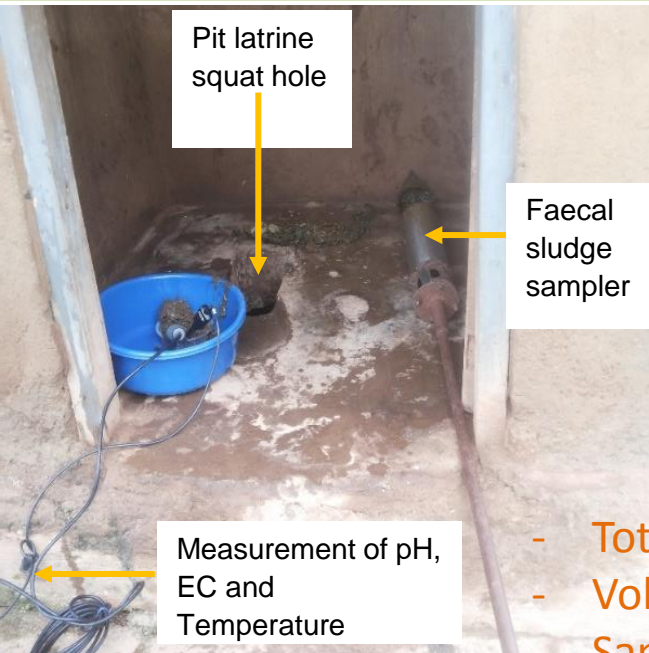
- Work done on emptying and more underway

Treatment – **Dewatering**

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FS>90% water. Increase of sludge dry solids by 10 % decreases in initial sludge volume by over 85 %

Understanding Dewaterability of faecal sludge from slums



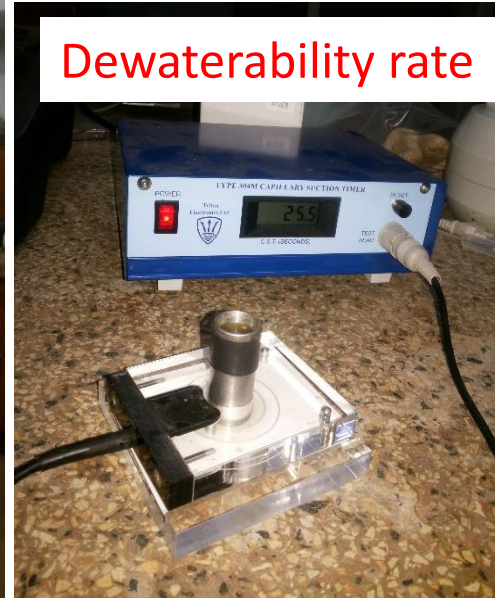
Dewaterability extent



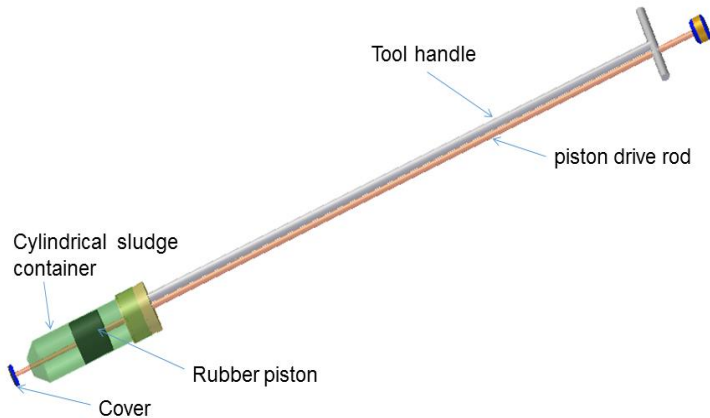
- Total solids
- Volatile solids
- Sand content
- Crude protein



Dewaterability rate

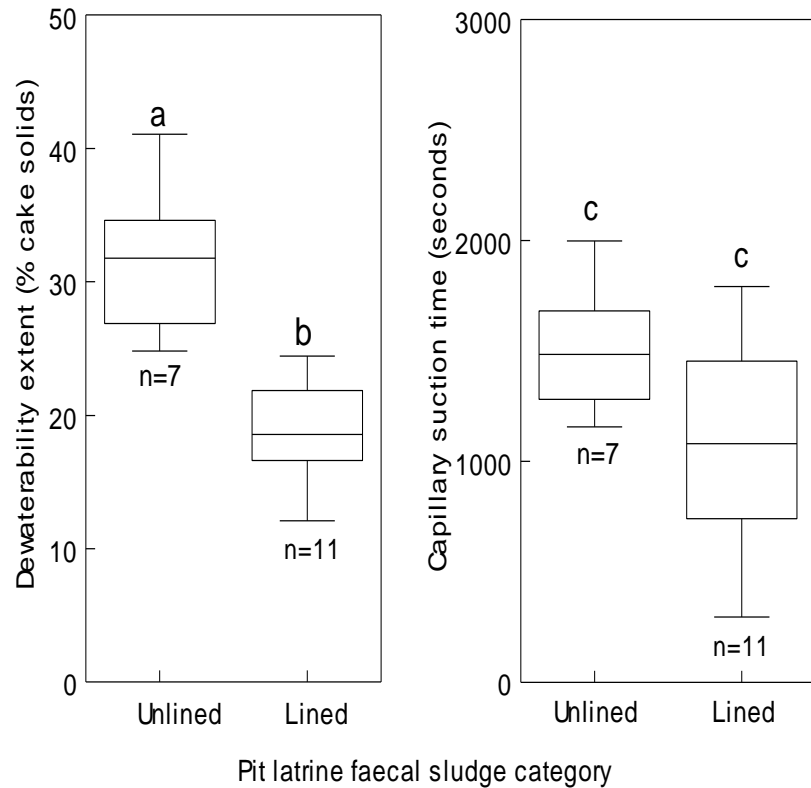


Lined & Unlined pits

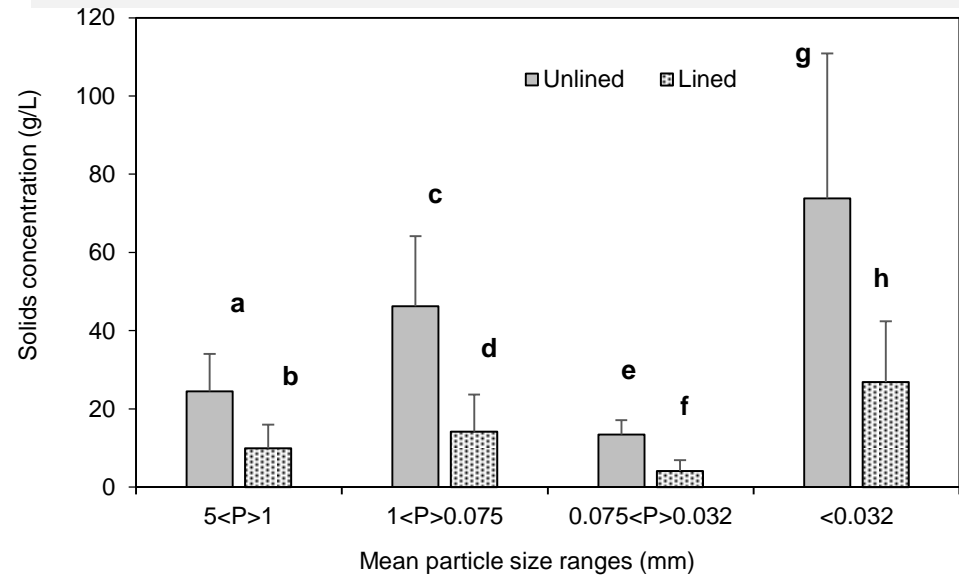


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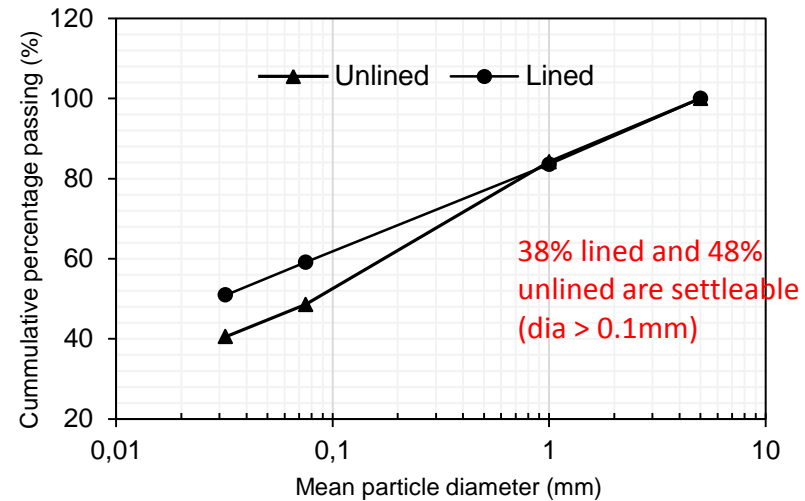
Dewaterability extent and rate



Solids concentration (lined and unlined)



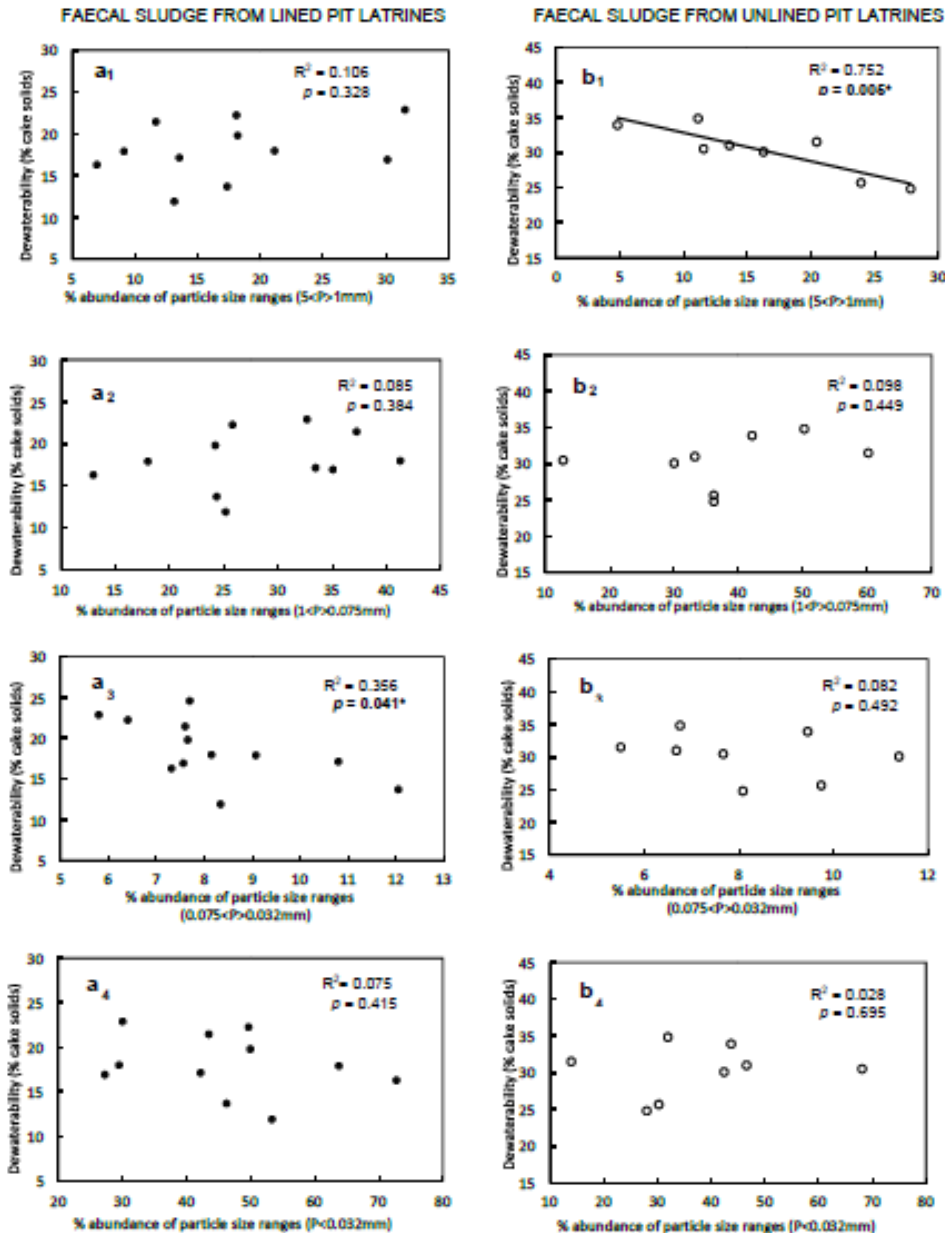
Particle size distribution



Relating dewaterability extent to FS characteristics

FS type		TS	EC	COD	TVS/ protein	Sand content
FS from lined pit latrine (n=11)	R ²	0.001	0.030	0.024	-0.459	0.719
	p	0.907	0.590	0.631	0.016*	0.001*
FS from unlined pit latrine (n=7)	R ²	0.768	0.172	0.156	0.010	0.269
	p	0.004*	0.307	0.333	0.815	0.188

Understanding Dewaterability of faecal sludge from slums



- Increasing size proportions of particles has no effect on dewaterability extent
- High dewaterability in unlined PFS < 1 mm

- Reduction in compressibility to improve porosity/rigidity
- TVS/ crude protein related to low dewaterability extent.
- Reflection of sludge structure which hold water (EPS)
- Modifications by use of physical conditioners

Use of physical conditioners



SAWDUST

Sawdust and Charcoal dust used as physical conditioners.

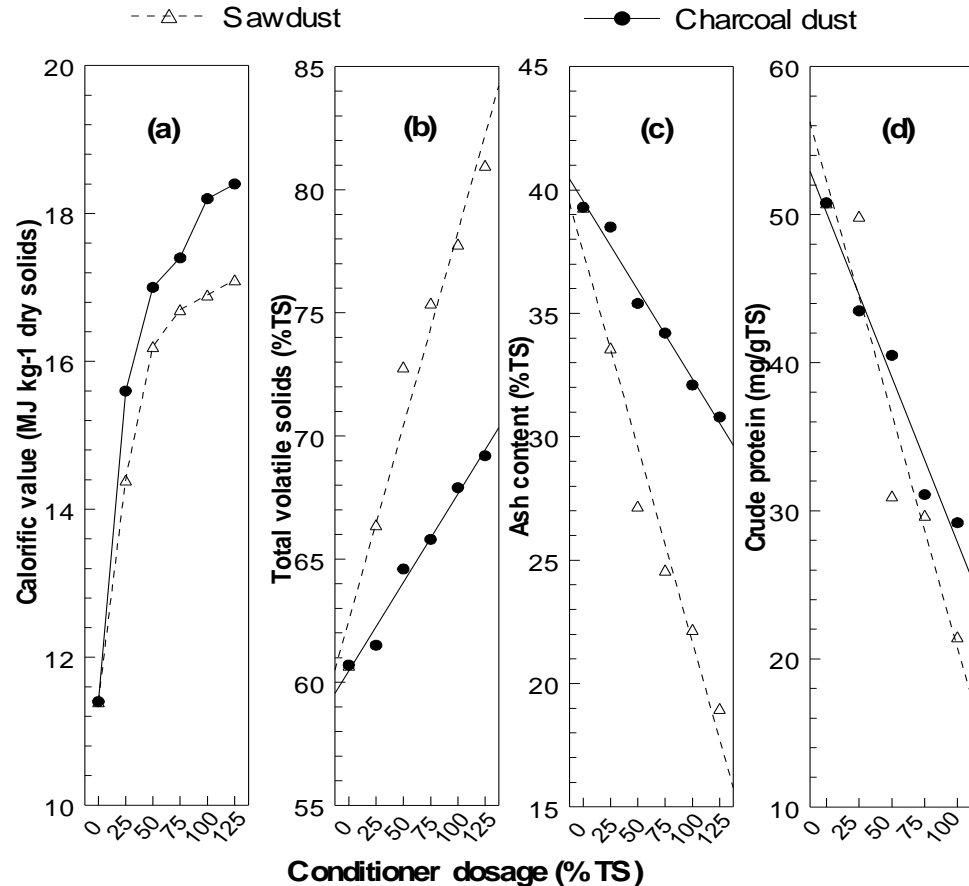


CHARCOAL DUST

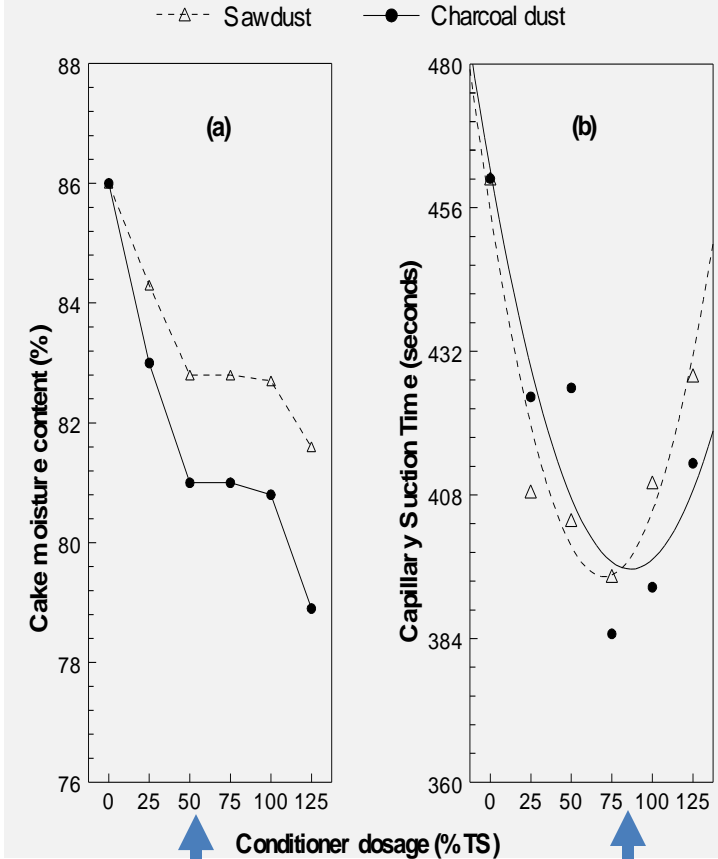
- Availability in slums or vicinity
 - Low or no cost
 - Enhance end-use potential
- FS from lined pit latrines considered**

Use of physical conditioners

Conditioner dosage and FS characteristics



Conditioner effect on dewatering extent and rate



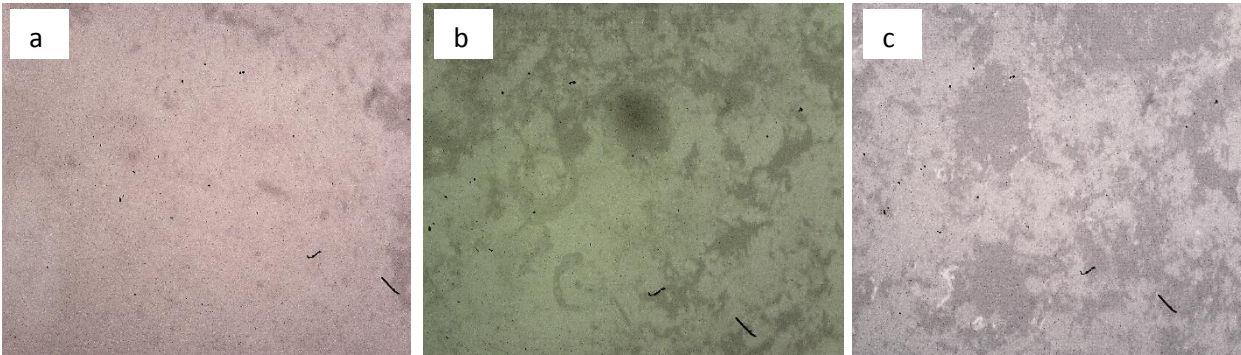
Cake moisture Vs crude protein

	<i>R</i> ²	<i>p</i>
Sawdust	0.92	0.009
Charcoal	0.96	0.004

	Sawdust	Charcoal
% cake solids increase	22.9%	35.7%
Dewatering rate increase	14.3%	15.8%

Use of physical conditioners

Conditioned FS micro-structure (Mg X 100)



Raw FS

FS + Sawdust

FS + Charcoal

Cake porosity improved through pore formation

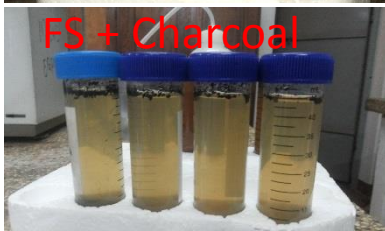
Leachate production



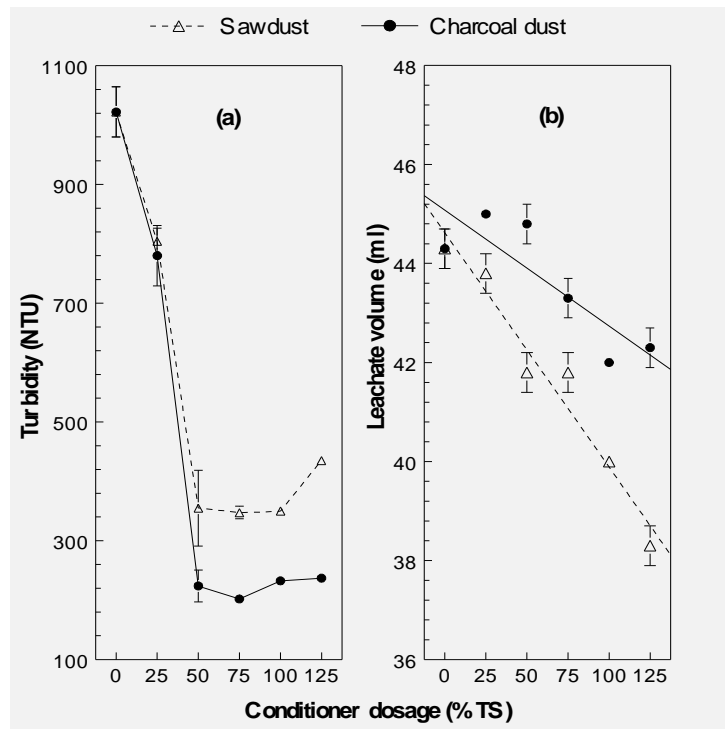
Raw FS



FS + Sawdust



FS + Charcoal



Linear regression (Cake moisture and leachate volume)

	R2	p
Sawdust	0.89	0.000
Charcoal	0.56	0.005

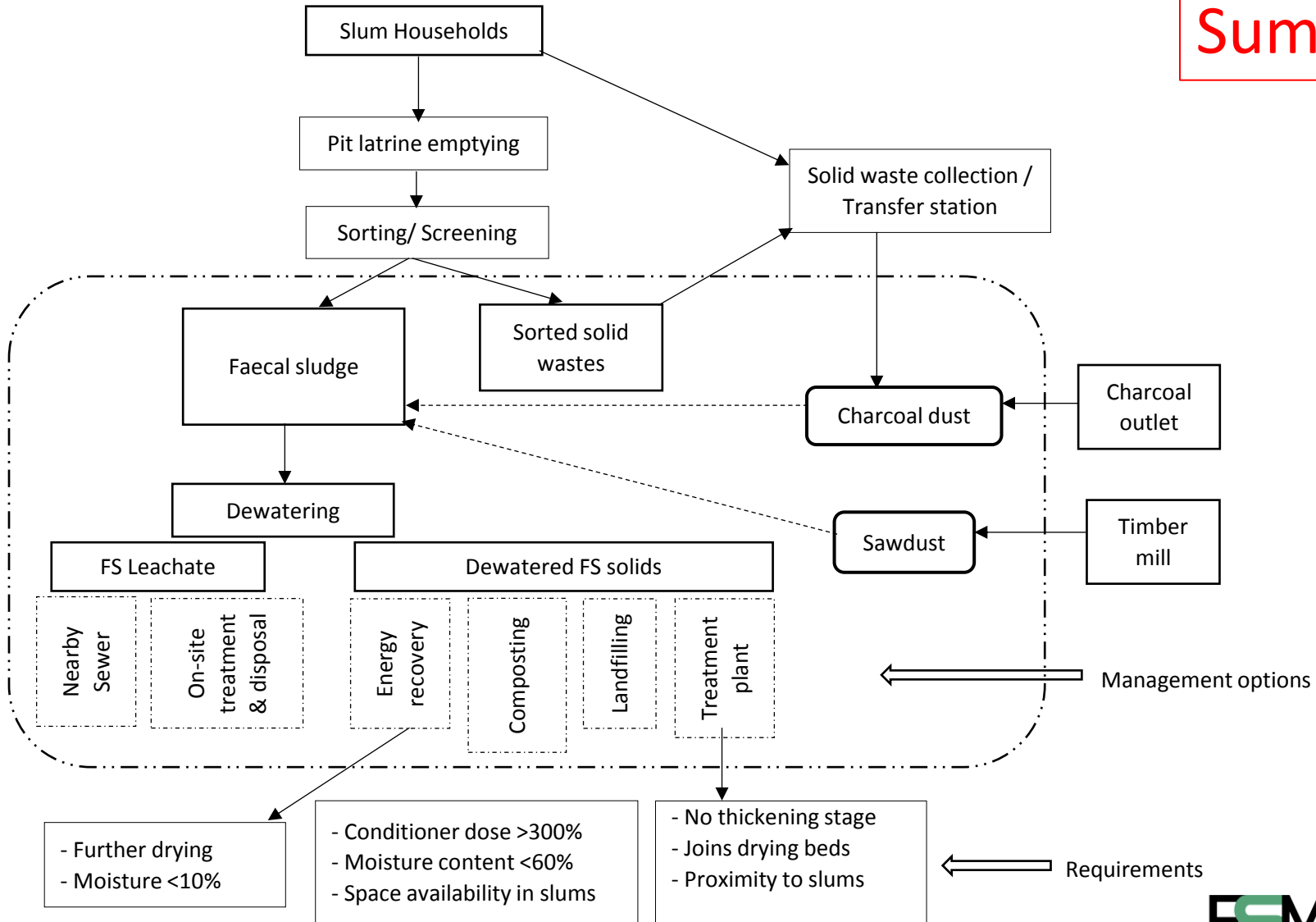
Dewaterability extent governed by;

- absorption in sawdust
- Rigid structure creation



Implications to FSM in urban slums

Summary



DECENTRALIZED FSM IN SLUMS



It's just the beginning

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