

Summary

of the presentations held at the meeting of the SANIRESCH project partners (February 2012)



Explanation

There is a periodic meeting of all SANIRESCH project partners every 6 months. In February 2012, the 6th meeting was held.

All partners have presented their latest results. Various Powerpoint presentations are available in German. The most important content of these presentations was translated into English and is summarized in this document.



Content

- Presentation 1: Operation and changed parameters of the MAP- precipitation reactor (Johanna Heynemann, THM)
- Presentation 2: Analysis results, microbiology and operating parameters of the brown- and greywater MBR (Franziska Nun, THM)
- •Presentation 3: Storage of urine: Behaviour of problematic matter in urine- and brownwater treatment (Bettina Schürmann, RWTH Aachen)
- •Presentation 4: Agricultural application of urine (Ute Arnold, University Bonn)
- •Presentation 5: International transferability of the installed sewage conceptions (Katharina Löw, Yue Wu, HfWU Nürtingen-Geislingen)
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- Presentation 7: Selective results of the second period of surveys (Manfred Romich, RWTH Aachen)

Presentation 1:

Johanna Heynemann (THM)

Current operation and parameters changed of the MAP-precipitation reactor

MAP-precipitation reactor





Beginning of operation:	May 2010
Flow Capacity:	≈ 1400 l/week
ß-factor:	1.5
MAP-yield:	0.7 to 1.3 g/l urine
Stirring time:	3 min 30 s stirring/30 s break

Sedimentation duration:

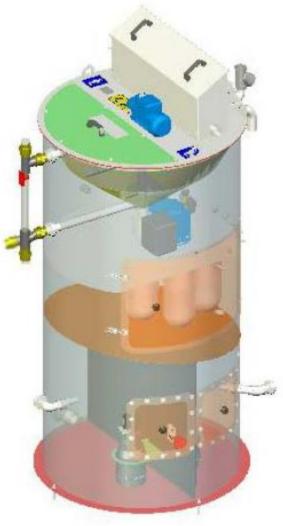
90 min

MAP-precipitation reactor – current operation

TECHNISCHE HOCHSCHULE MITTELHESSEN

MAP production for field experiments in Bonn:

- In the pump sump of the precipitation reactor MAP accumulates, which
 - Could not be hold back by filters
 - Spilt over the filter.
- Therefore about additionally 4 to 5 kg MAP exist
- An analysis of the deposited MAP will be conducted by the RWTH Aachen.



MAP-precipitation reactor – changed parameters

TECHNISCHE HOCHSCHULE MITTELHES Following results of the diploma thesis from Matthias Hartmann were converted into the reactor operation:

- Sedimentation duration of 90 min (before 180 min)
- Adaption of the urine volume to the maximum possible MgO amount of 14 g

Improved operation by following changes:

- Installation of a coarser sieve with a mesh size of 0,8 mm into the urine influent pipe
- Only the first 40 litres of an urine tank are discharged without being used in the reactor (before: around 200 litres)
- The major part of contained pollutants are removed
- The cleaning intervals could be extended





Presentation 2:

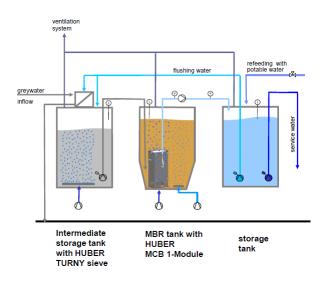
Franziska Nun (THM)

Brown- and Greywater- membrane bioreactor (MBR):

Analysis results, microbiology and operating parameters

Greywater – membrane bioreactor





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Beginning of operation	ation:	13.05.2011
Flow capacity:		≈ 20 till 25 l/h
Flow capacity [I/d]]:	≈ 500 till 600 l/d
TS _{MBR} :		5 to 6 g/l
Turny (mesh width (Pre-treatment – sieve for solids	•	3 mm
Break:		10 pm – 7 am
Filtration:		270 s
Break:		60 s
Transmembrane p	ressure:	60 mbar

Greywater – analysis results

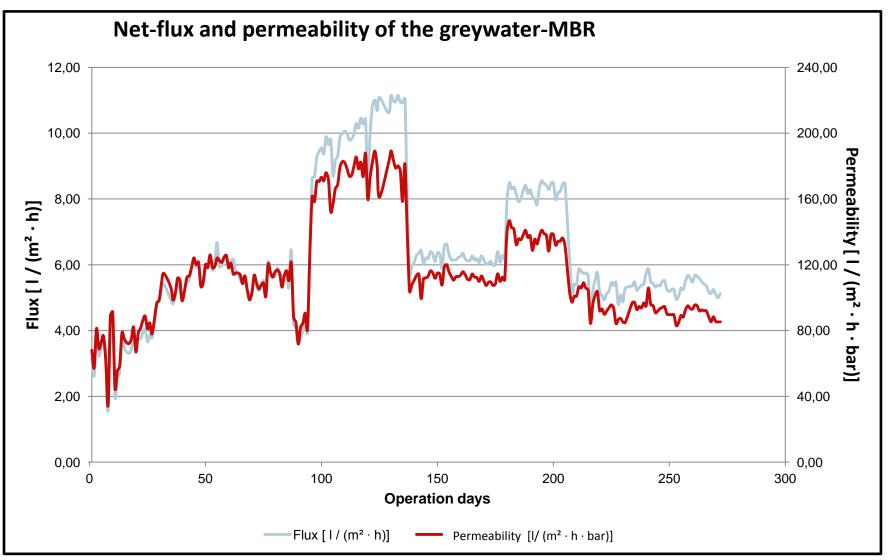
		Inflow	Permeate
	Ø	593	30.5
COD [mg/l]	min	329	17.2
	max	984	72.6
TN _b [mg/l]	Ø	13.6	11.4
	min	5.4	5.4
	max	26.2	21.0
P_{total} [mg/l]	Ø	20.7	14.2
	min	2.8	3.4
	max	44.3	23
	Ø	291.7	2.2
TS [mg/l]	min	146.0	0.3
	max	484.5	3.8



Nutrient ratio: C : N : P = 100 : 2.3 : 1.2

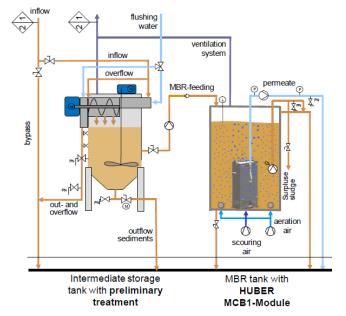
COD removal efficiency: 95 %





Brownwater - membrane bioreactor







Beginning of operation:	27.06.2011
Flow capacity:	≈ 14 l/h
Flow capacity:	≈ 350 l/d
TS _{MBR} :	5 to 6 g/l
Pre-treatment (mesh size):	3 mm
Break:	11 pm – 4 am
Filtration:	120 s
Break:	60 s
Transmembrane pressure:	50 mbar

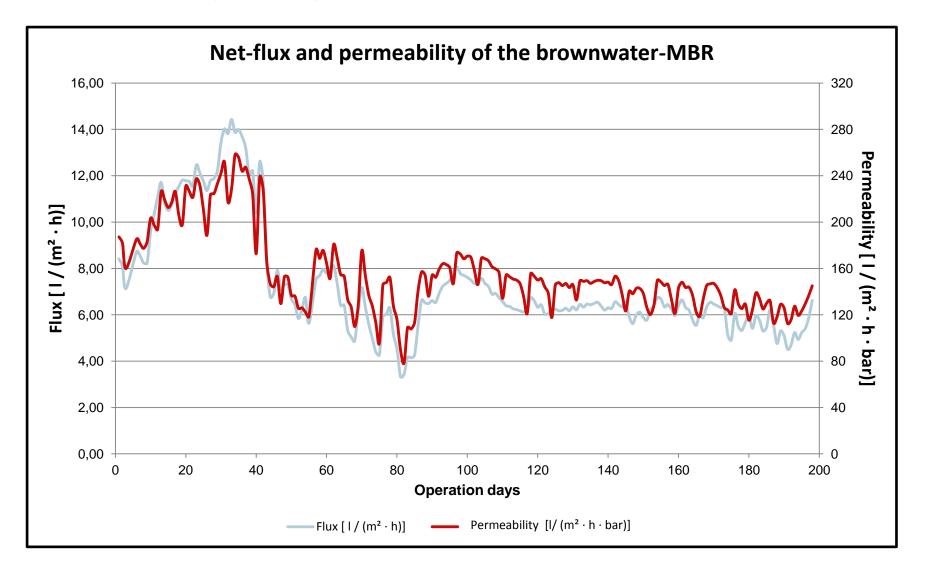
Brownwater – analysis result

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		Inflow	Permeate
	Ø	826	21.7
COD [mg/l]	min	270	14.9
	max	1439	31.3
	Ø	66.0	67.3
TN _b [mg/l]	min	15.2	34.2
	max	92.0	102
P _{total} [mg/l]	Ø	20.7	14.3
	min	6.5	3.8
	max	34.4	23.8
	Ø	321.3	1.64
TS [mg/l]	min	91.8	0.0
	max	682.0	3.6

Nutrient ratio: C : N : P = 100 : 8.2 : 0.8

COD removal efficiency: 98 %

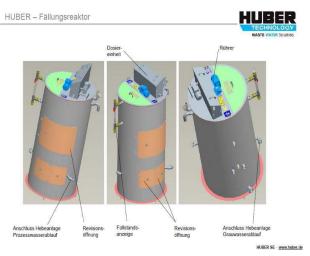
Brownwater – Operation parameters



Presentation 3:

Bettina Schürmann (University RWTH Aachen)

Storage of urine: Behaviour of problematic matter in urine- and brownwater treatment

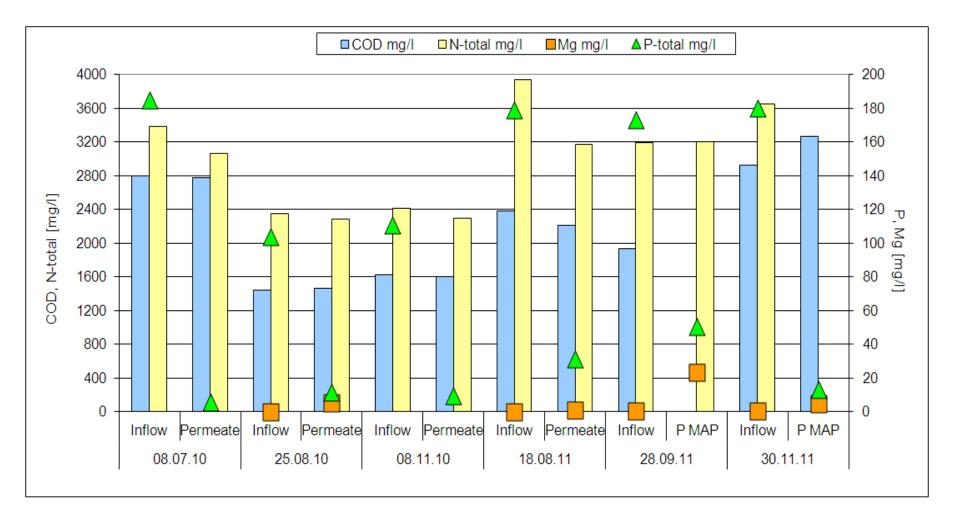


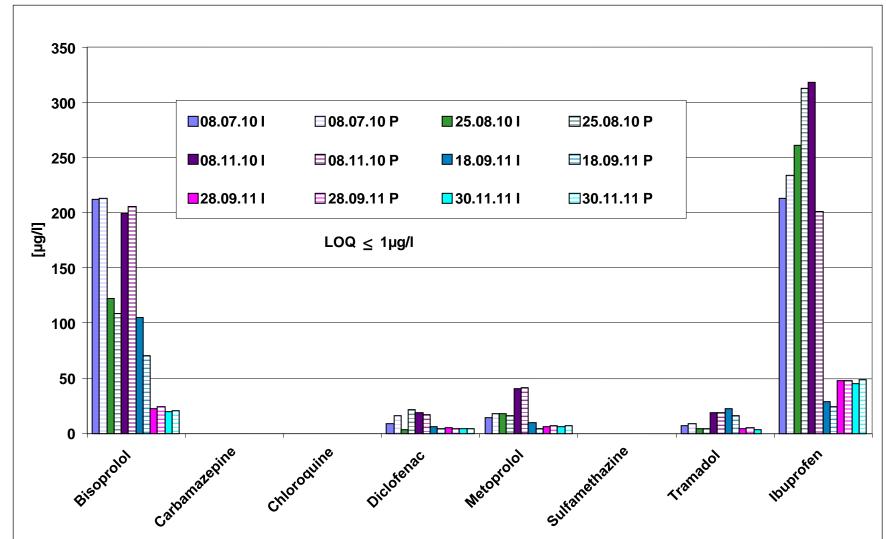
- 1st: Storage
- 2nd: MAP precipitation
- Studies:
- Standard parameters (COD, N, P, Mg, ...)
- Pharmaceuticals
- Germs





Standard parameters

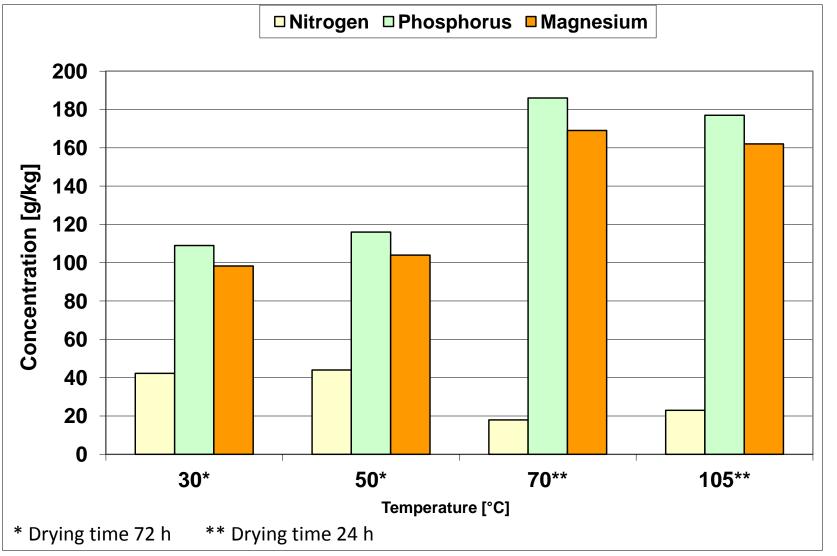




Pharmaceuticals in inflow and permeate

MAP: all pharmaceuticals are under LOQ (Limit of quantification)

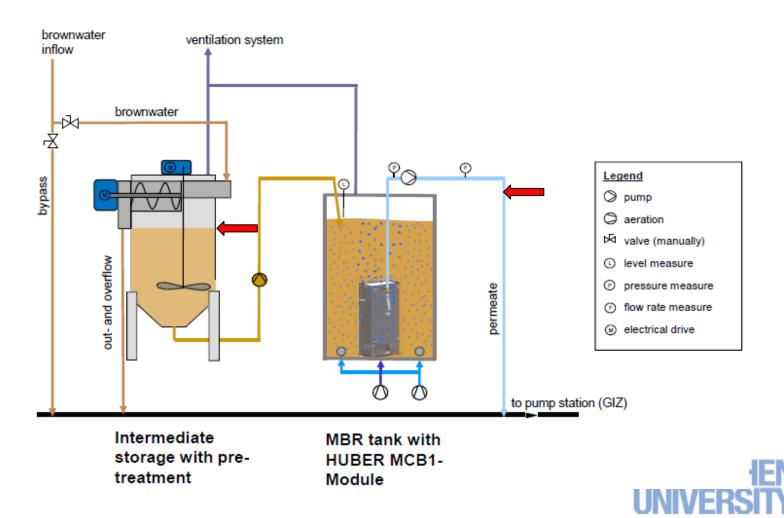
MAP – drying test



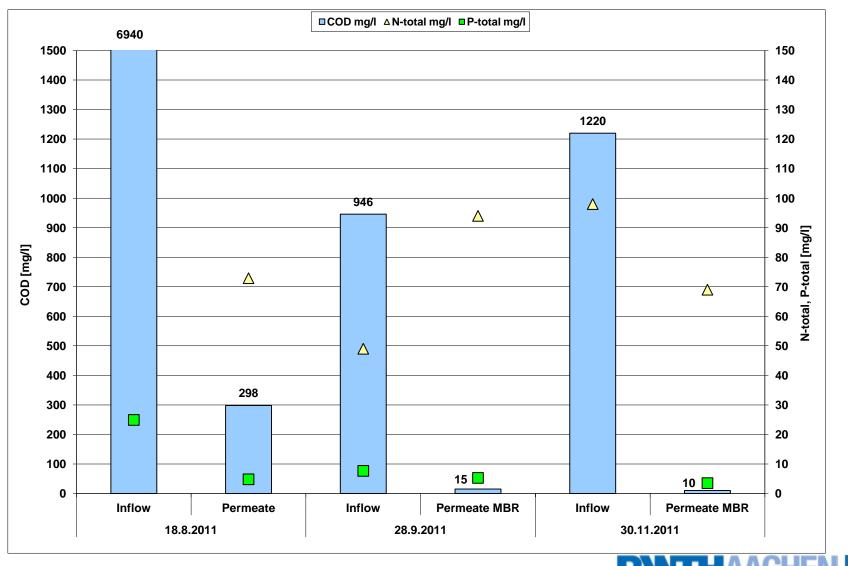
Loss of N due to desiccation with high temperatures

Sampling places

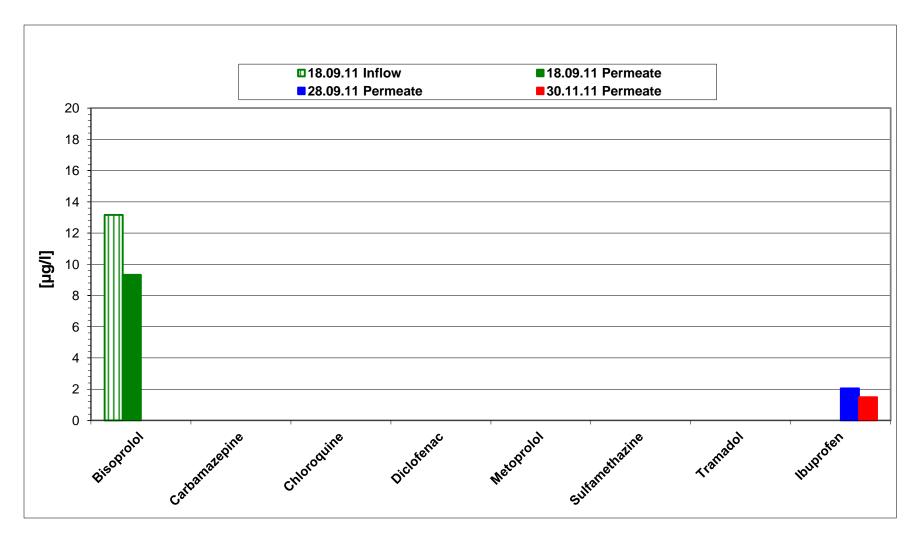
Flow chart - brownwater treatment



Standard parameters



Pharmaceuticals



Most of the pharmaceuticals are excreted by urine



Microbiology

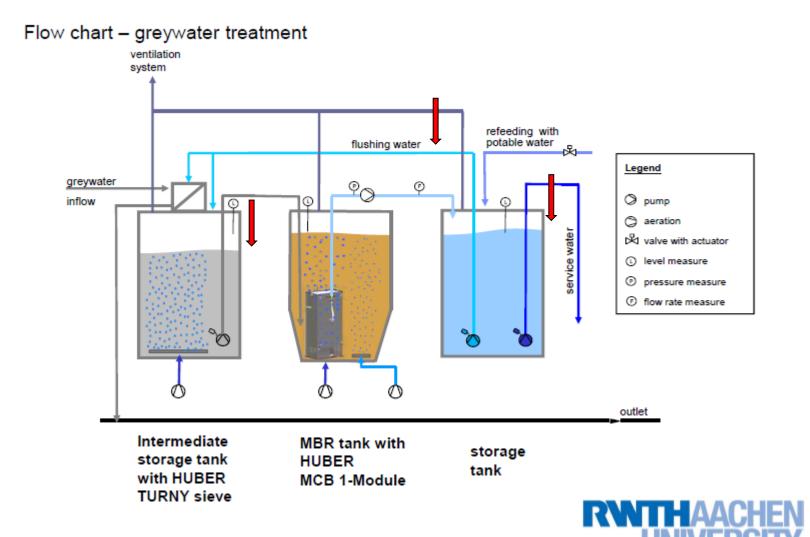
Date	Species	E. coli	Coliform bacteria	Intestinal Enterococci
	Sample	n/100ml	n/100ml	n/100ml
18.8.2011	permeate	>24196	>24197	
28.9.2011	permeate	7	980	56
30.11.2011	permeate	68	91	0



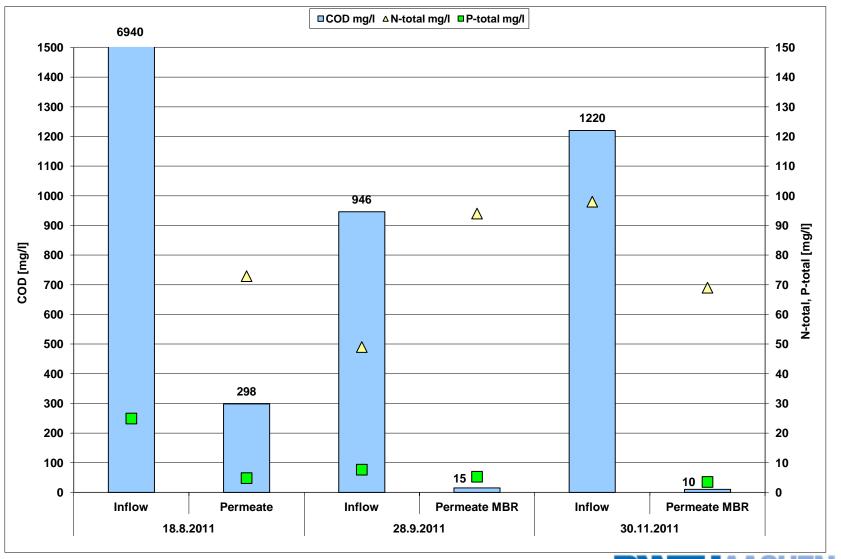
The highlighted measurements are probably caused by re-contamination and not by a malfunction of the membrane



Sampling places



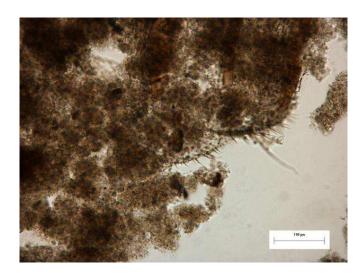
Standard parameters



Microbiology

Date	Туре	E. coli	Coliform bacteria	intestinal Enterococci
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18.8.2011	Outflow	1	17,1	
28.9.2011	Permeate, stored	0	0	<1
	Permeate, fresh	0	1	<1
30.11.2011	Permeate, stored	0	0	0
	Permeate, fresh	0	0	0

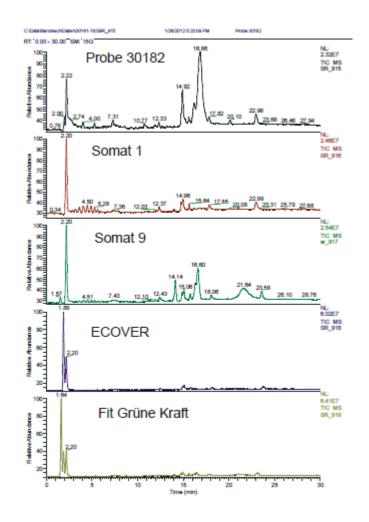






Surfactants

- First comparison between the used surfactants in the kitchens and a sample of the permeate.
- Surfactants are traceable.
- Analysis Analyse by means of LC/MS
- More quantified results will follow





Presentation 4:

Ute Arnold (University Bonn)

Agricultural application of urine

Field trial 2011

Campus Kleinaltendorf

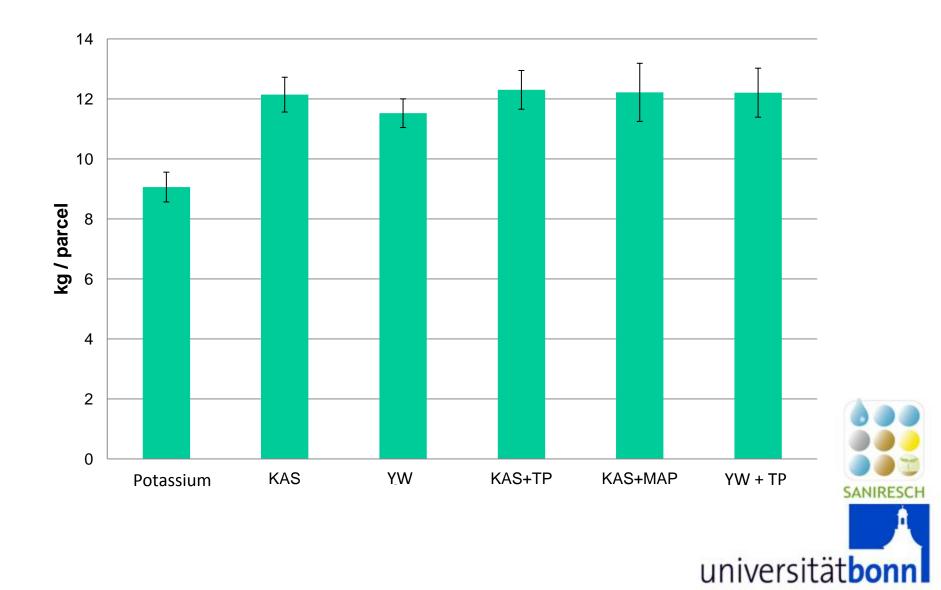
- Investigation of yellowwater (YW) (N-basis)
 - Comparison YW inorganic fertiliser Kalkammonsalpeter (KAS)
 - Spring wheat, maize



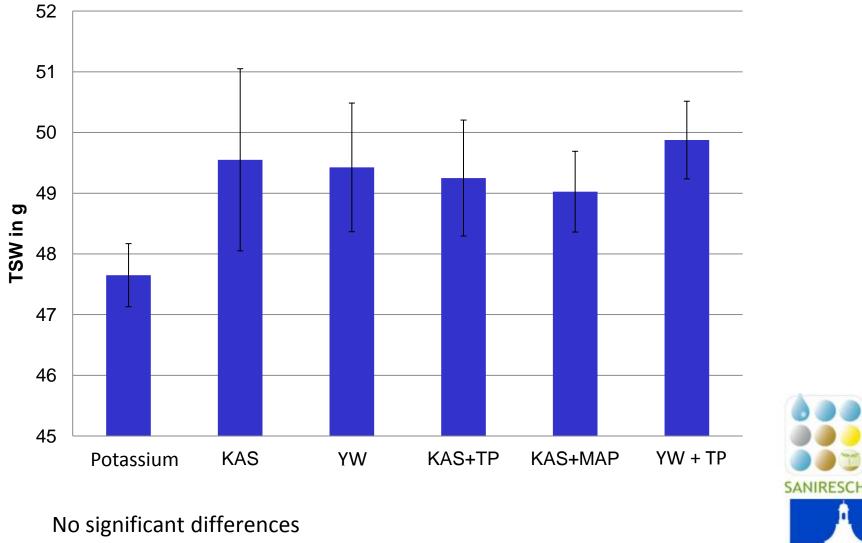
- Investigation of Mono-ammonium phosphate (MAP) (P-basis)
 - Comparison MAP triple phosphate (TP)
 - Spring wheat, field bean



Yield of spring wheat 2011

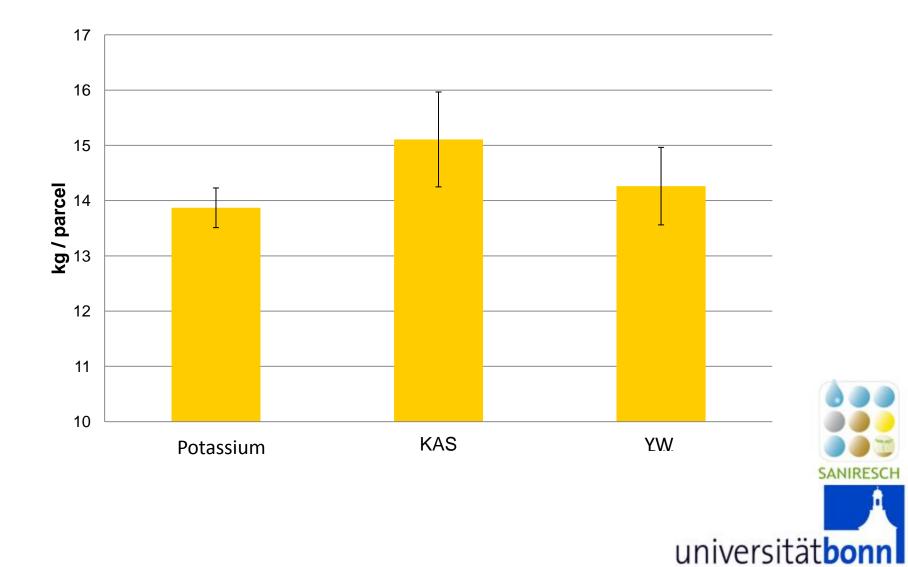


Thousand-seed weight 2011

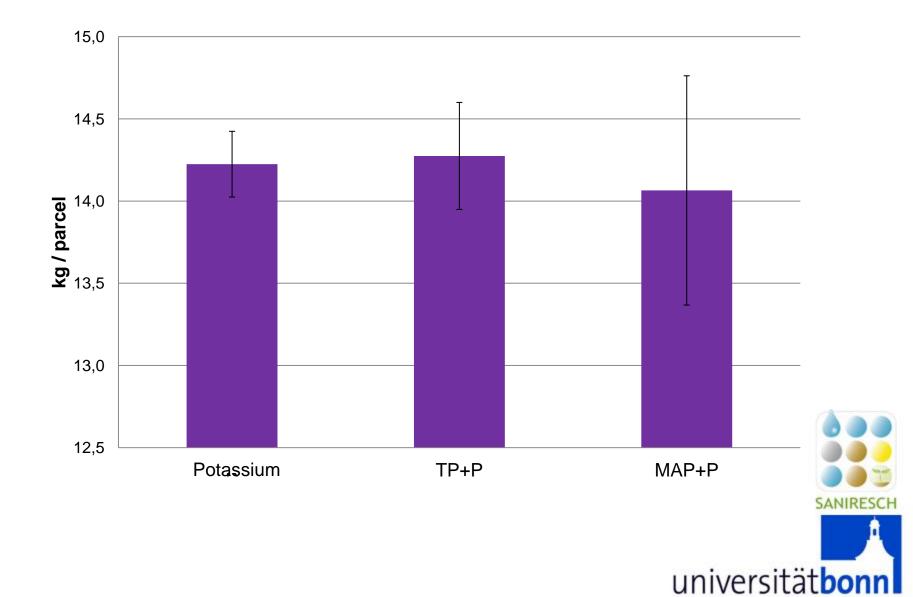


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Thousand-seed weight 2011



Yield of field beans 2011



Field trial 2011

Kleinaltendorf

- YW appropriate for fertilisation
- No loss on yield compared to inorganic fertiliser
- MAP_{urine} appropriate for fertilisation
- Same fertilising results of MAP_{giz} compared to phosphate fertiliser triple phosphate
- Further researches regarding the effects on phosphatepoor/phosphate-fixing soils are needed



Acceptance studies

Overview

- Acceptance of the farmers:
 - 400 written questionnaires sent
 - First returns
- Acceptance of the consumers
 - Sending of the written questionnaires is in planning
- Representative of selected administrative bodies and federations



Acceptance studies

State of the farmer survey

- Written questionnaire of farmers and market gardens in North-Rhine-Westphalia (NRW)
- Design of a questionnary with 40 questions
- Recorded are:
 - Business size and type
 - Socio-economic context
 - Ecological background knowledge
 - Stands / opinions regarding an urine-Fertiliser
- Questionnaires were sent out in the beginning of February 2012

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Acceptance studies

State of the consumer survey

NRW has urban and rural regions

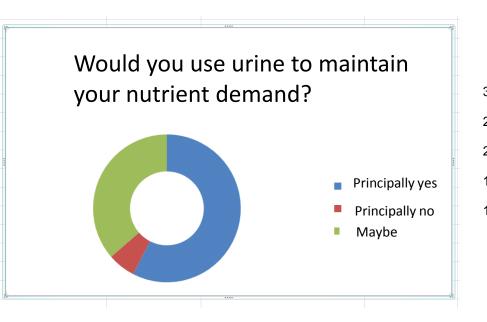
Perspective of population is potentially different

- A written survey is conducted in peri-urbanisations and in rural regions to obtain representative results
- Recorded are
 - Socio-economical context
 - Ecological background knowledge
 - Stand/opinions regarding an urine fertiliser
- Sending is envisaged for March 2012



First results and trends

Analysis of the first 30 questionnaires of farmers /market gardens



Most often mentioned concerns: safety, harmlessness

Which of the following crops would you accept to be fertilised by urine? 30 25 20 15 Salad 10 Grain 5 0 Yes Yes No No liquid powder

Clear differences within different field crops



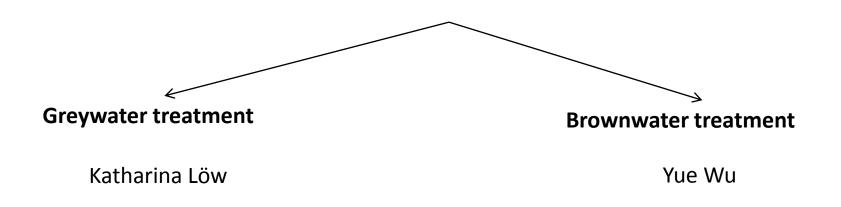
Presentation 5:

Katharina Löw & Yue Wu (HfWU Nürtingen-Geislingen)

International transferability of the installed wastewater treatment system

Master theses in the winter term 2011/12

International adaptability of the installed sewage conceptions



Master degree: Environmental protection



Task formulation

Within the master theses:

The use of the applied techniques is analysed

• The potential transferability of this system is investigated

 The framework and parameters, which are constitutive for an implementation on other markets, are identified.



Economic aspects of greywater treatment

Imaginary example of the office building GIZ (complete)

Unfavourable water balance in the office building

3,535 l/d	Greywater production
7,712 l/d	Demand of toilet flush water
<u>- 4,177 l/d</u>	negative result

High investment costs

8,633 €	Greywater facility
+ 29,750€	In-house installations
= <u>38,383 €</u>	Investment costs

No financial incentive

- 1,979 €/a Sum of running costs (maintenance + energy costs)
- 3,391 €/a Water charges (freshwater + sewage)
- <u>1,412 €/</u>a Cost saving (running costs)



Economic aspects of greywater treatment

Appropriate implementations: hotels, dormitories, apartment buildings, hospitals, ...



Calculation example for a four-star-hotel in Berlin, Financial amortisation time of the facility: 6 years (Paris, 2009).

Hall of residence "Eastside" in Mannheim, Financial amortisation time of the facility: 6 years (Sellner, 2009).

"Dead Sea Spa" hotel in Jordan, Financial amortisation time of the facility: 10-12 years (Rothenberger et al., 2011).



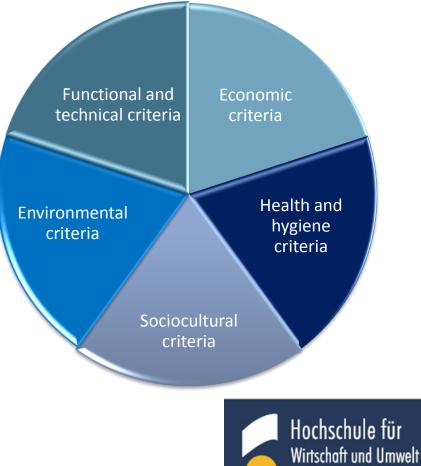
Investigation of the international adaptability of greywater treatment

Identification of the site criteria, which lead to a worthwhile implementation of greywater recycling

Sustainability criteria for sanitation approaches:

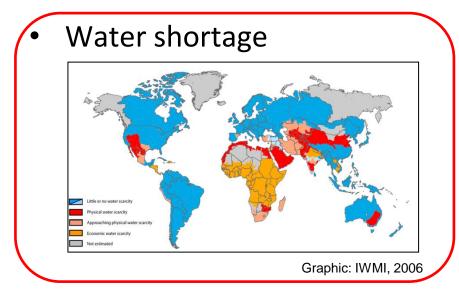
- Health and hygiene criteria
- Economic criteria
- Functional and technical criteria
- Environmental criteria
- Sociocultural criteria

(Hellström et al., 2000):

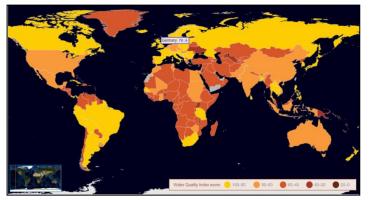


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Identification of the global hotspots for greywater treatment based on environmental criteria

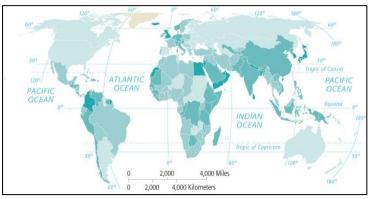


• Drinking water quality



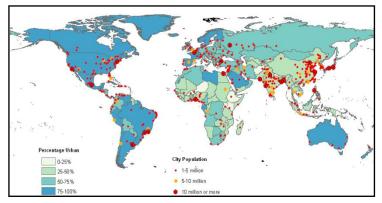
Graphic: Yale University, 2010

Population density



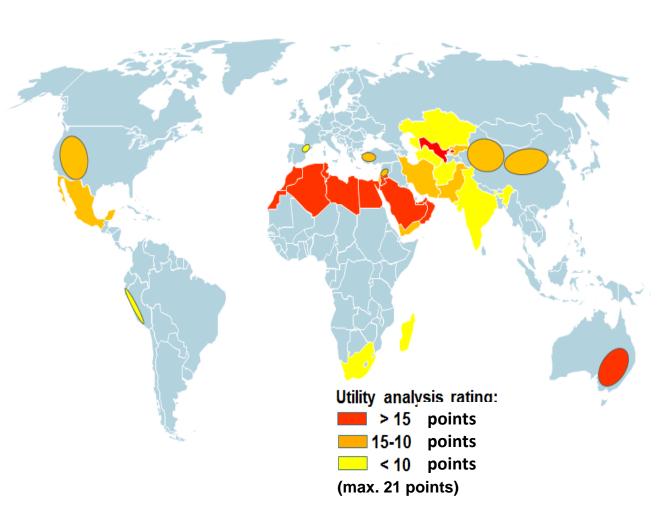
Graphic: Pearson Education Inc. , 2010

• Level of urbanisation



Graphic: United Nations, 2010

Identification of global hotspots for greywater treatment



	Country	Rating
1	Jordan	21
2	Uzbekistan	19
3	Oman	18.5
4	Egypt	17.5
5	Libya	17.5
6	Saudi Arabia	17.5
7	Australia (south)	16.7
8	Morocco	16.5
9	Tunisia	16.5
10	United Arab Emirates	16
11	Western Sahara	
	Territory	16
12	Algeria	15.7
	USA (south west)	14.7
14	China (north)	14.5
15	Yemen	14.2
16	Israel	12.5
	Lebanon	12.5
	Mexico	11.5
19	Pakistan	11.5
20	Turkey (west)	11.5
21	Iran	10.5
22	Kyrgyzstan	10.5
23	Pakistan	10.5
24	Syria (south)	10.5
25	Afghanistan	9.7
26	Kazakhstan	9.7
27	Madagascar	9.7
28	Turkmenistan	9.7
29	Peru(coast)	9.5
30	Spain (north east)	9.5
31	South Africa	8.5
32	India	7.7

Outlook on greywater treatment

- The utility analysis is a sufficient decision support tool (Issue becomes measurable and comprehensible)
- Worldwide many fields of application
 - In consideration of all background information
 - Precise project planning
- Distribution of greywater recycling
 - More favourable complete facilities (building set system)
 - Statutory provisions and/or incentives



Economic aspects of brownwater treatment

Temporary cost evaluation of the facility in the office building

Water balance

= + 414 l/d	100% can be recycled
+15000 l/d	Reuse as toilet flush water by MCB 4 x 4
	measured data)
-14586 l/d	Brownwater volume (estimation based on

Investment costs

+33397.3 €	Brownwater facility (MBR, pretreatment tank)
+25050€	In-house installations (piping)
= 58447.3 €	Investment costs

Running costs

+3274 €/a +1272.4 €/a **+4546.4 €/a**

Energy costs Maintenance costs total running costs



Identification of the global hotspots of brownwater treatment

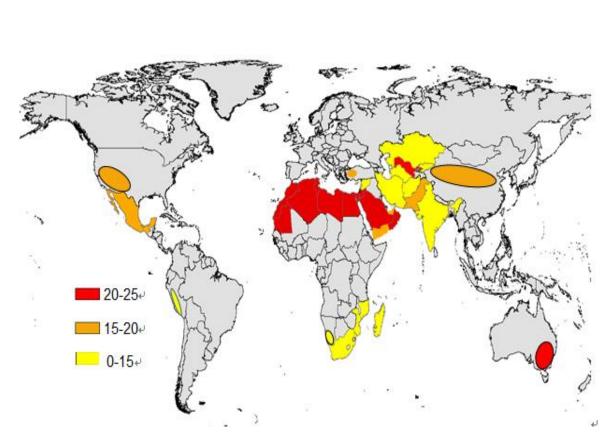
Environmental criteria

- Water shortage (physical)
- Freshwater quality
- Population density
- Urbanisation rate
- Nutrient demand

25 points



Identification of global hotspots for brownwater treatment



Rate	Country/region
23	Jordan
23	Usbekistan
21.5	Ägypten
21.5	Libya
21.5	Tunisia
20.7	Australia (South East))
20.5	Algeria
20.5	Israel
20.5	Morocco
20.5	Mauritania
20.5	Oman
20.5	Saudi Arabia
18	United Arab Emirates
17.9	China (North)
16.2	Yemen
16	Western Sahara
15.5	Mexico
15.5	Pakistan
15.1	USA (South West)
14.5	Kazakhstan
14.5	Lebanon
14.5	Mozambique
14.5	Namibia (South)
13.7	Krygyzstan
13.7	Madagascar
13.5	Iran
13.5	Peru (coasts)
13.5	South Africa
13.5	Turkey (West)
12.7	India
12.5	Syria
12.5	Cyprus
11.7	Afghanistan
9.9	Spain (North East)
9.7	Turkmenistan

Summary and outlook on brownwater treatment

- MBR- is a very effective process for brownwater recycling
 - Comparatively high investment and energy costs
- The utility analysis is a sufficient decision support tool
 - Good comprehensibility
 - Straightforward model structure
 - Reliability of utility analysis when it comes to the introduction of new alternatives
- 12 countries in North Africa, West Asia and South East Australia have the biggest potential for an implementation of the brownwater treatment by a MBR-facility.



Presentation 6:

Manfred Romich (RWTH Aachen)

Acceptance study:

Selective results of the first and second period of surveys

Distinctive features of the second round

Less returns (67 in comparison to 127 in round 1)

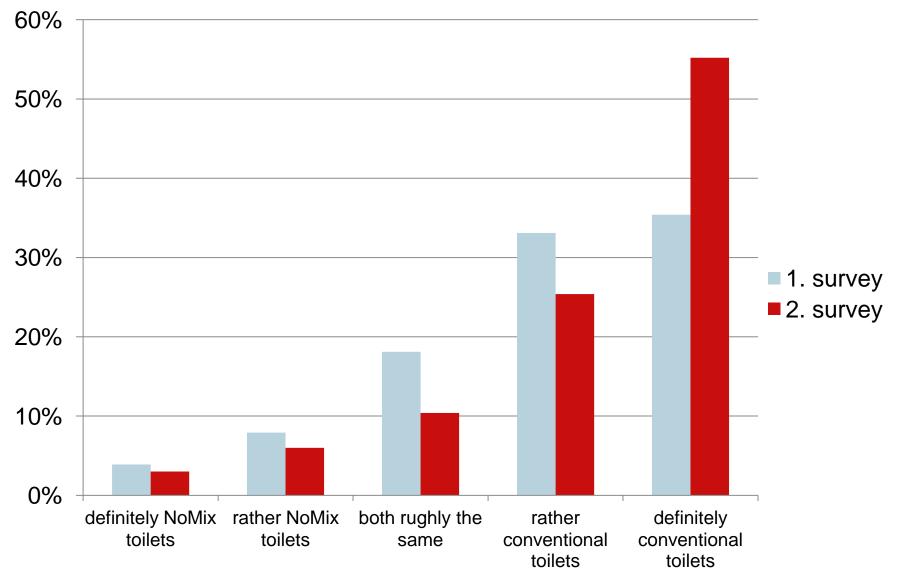
More definite views

Trend to more polarised answers

Strong increasing of negative statements



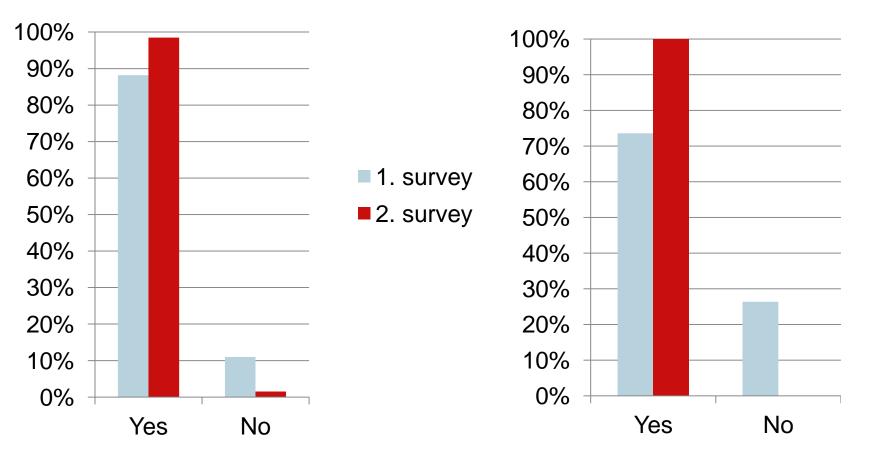
Preferred toilet systems





Knowledge improvement

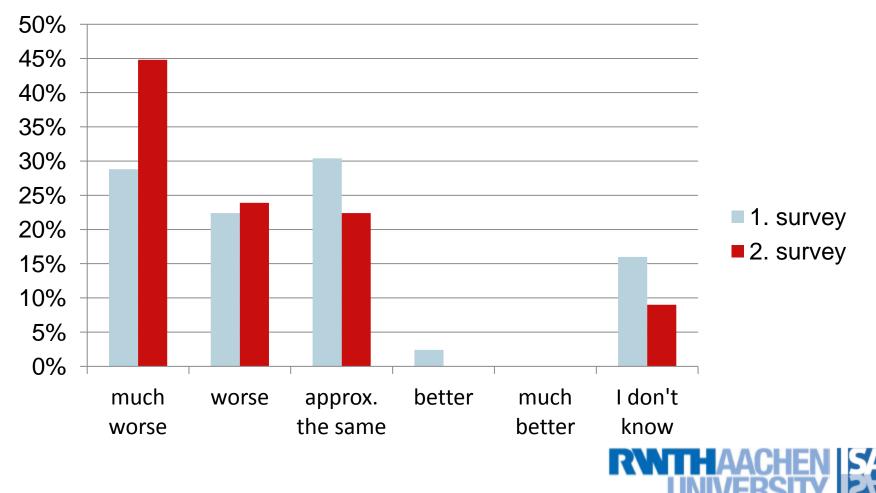
Did you know that by sitting on the toilet seat the urine diversion mechanism is activated?



Did you know that the used toilet paper is only allowed to be disposed at the posteriorplughole?

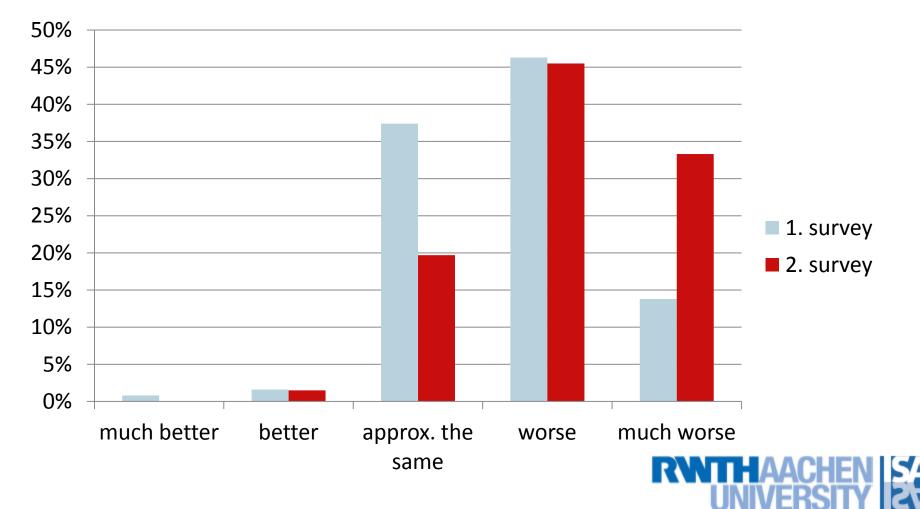
Smell of the toilets

What do you think regarding the smell of the NoMix-toilets in comparison to the conventional toilets?



Cleanliness of the urinals

What do you think about the cleanliness of the NoMix-toilets in comparison to the conventional urinal?



Presentation 7:

Hans-Christian Rüster (Roediger Vacuum GmbH)

RoeVac[©] No-Mix Toilets

Operating diary and it's interpretation

Operating diary and it's interpretation

List for data sampling

- The operation diary was created by the help of the GIZ employees.
- Weekly, monthly and yearly controls can be listed.
- Objective was, to record all relevant data in a single sheet for interpretation.
- The columns list the floors, where the toilets are installed.
- It's possible to note down anomalies in a comment column.

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Operating diary and it's interpretation

Legend for the list handling

- The necessary control activities are described and are recorded in the list.
- The design of the legend allows for straightforward interpretation.

	Legende:		In BMZ sind nur Herrentoiletten mit Nomix-Toiletten bestückt
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Nr. :	Auszuführende Tätigkeiten	Bemerkung	Ven. Nr
1	Sichtkontrolle des äußerlichen Zustandes der Toiletten auf Bruchstellen und Sauberkeit, sowie ordnungsgemäße Wandbefestigung		
2	Überprüfung des WC-Raumes auf Geruchsbelästigung		
3	Überprüfung ob die Klappschamier der WC-Sitze noch einwandfrei funktionieren und nicht ausgebrochen sind		İ
4	Sichtkontrolle der WC-Sitze auf Passgenauigkeit zum WC-Becken, damit der Bowdenzug ordnungsgemäß öffnet		Ī
5	Sichtkontrolle der WC-Becken auf Dichtheit - Gummiverbindungsringe der Urinablauftrichter, Bowdenzug		Ī
6	Überprüfung der Bowdenzüge auf ordnungsgemäße Funktion, hierzu das Unterteil der WC-Sitze auf den aus dem Beckenrand herausstehenden Splint der Bowdenzüge drücken bis das Ablaufventil öffnet		Ī
7	Sichtkontrolle, ob der Über- bzw. Ablauf von vorderen Urinteil zum hinteren Siphon des WC- Beckens frei von Ablagerungen ist. Hierzu bei geschlossenem Urinventil kurz die Spülung betätigen und den Ablauf aus dem Urintrichter kontrollieren		Ì
	Sichtikontrolle ob die Spülwassermengen des Unterputzspülkastens für den Urinteil und den Fäkalteil unterschiedlich sind		Ī
9	Die No-Mix Toiletten mit Spezialreiniger gegen Urin- und Kalksteinbildung im Urinablaufventilbereich behandeln. Hierzu Zitronensäure verwenden		Ì

Operating diary and it's interpretation

Data sampling for the operating diary

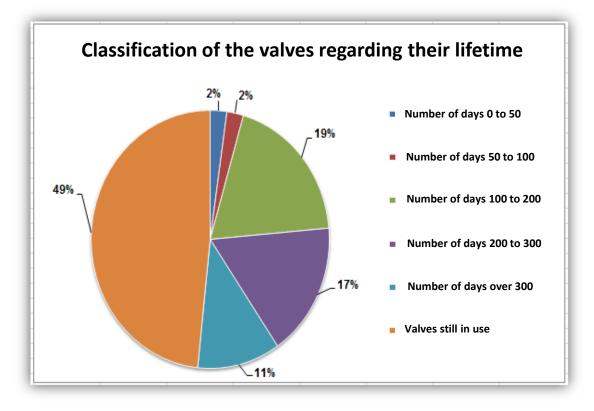
- Data interpretation regarding lifetime of the urine separation valves.
- Detection, which components were removed most frequent ⇒ Conclusions about troubles can be drawn.
- Presentation of the toilet's operating condition ⇒ Conclusions about troubles can be drawn.
- Interpretation regarding frequent malfunctions of the No-Mix toilets are possible.

Ventilnummer	Eingebaut	Ausgebaut	Lebensdauer (Tage)
1	defekt		
2	22.04.2010	15.11.2010	203
3	26.04.2010	20.12.2010	234
4	22.04.2010	17.09.2010	145
5	26.04.2010	19.04.2011	353
6	22.04.2010	15.11.2010	203
7	26.04.2010	11.08.2011	465
8	19.04.2011	läuft noch	
9	26.04.2010	14.06.2010	48
10	14.06.2010	läuft noch	
11	09.06.2010	10.02.2011	241
12	14.06.2010	läuft noch	
13	14.06.2010	19.04.2011	305
14	defekt		
15	14.06.2010	19.04.2011	305
16	14.06.2010	15.11.2010	151
17	17.08.2010	19.08.2011	362
18	17.08.2010	läuft noch	
19	17.09.2010	10.02.2011	143
20	21.06.2010	15.11.2010	144
21	21.06.2010	20.12.2010	179
22	21.06.2010	20.12.2010	179
23	21.06.2010	läuft noch	
24	21.06.2010	10.02.2011	229
25	21.06.2010	20.12.2010	179
26	21.06.2010	läuft noch	
27	21.06.2010	01.06.2011	340
28	21.06.2010	20.12.2010	179
29	21.06.2010	19.08.2011	418
30	21.06.2010	17.09.2010	86
31	21.06.2010	10.02.2011	229
32	21.06.2010	20.12.2010	179
33	21.06.2010	01.06.2011	340
34	21.06.2010	01.06.2011	340
35	21.06.2010	22.08.2011	421
36	21.06.2010	19.04.2011	298
37	21.06.2010	10.02.2011	229
38	25.06.2010	10.02.2011	225
39	25.06.2010	19.04.2011	294
40	25.06.2010	läuft noch	

Operating life of the urine flow valves

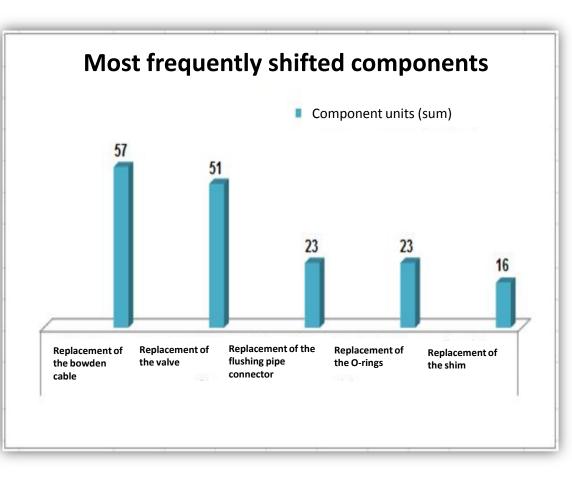
Classification of the valves

- Within the period from 1st January 2010 till 31
 December 2011, 89
 valves were replaced.
- At the moment the length of the average lifetime of a valve is 221 days.



Components most frequently changed

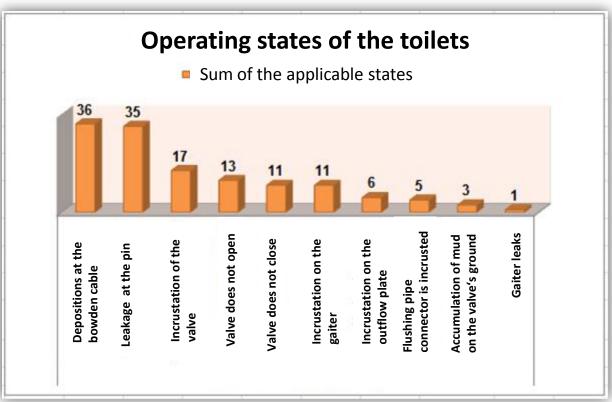
- Within the period from 1st January 2010 till 31
 December 2011 170
 component units were replaced.
- Bowden cable and complete valve were replaced most often ⇒ they are also the most stressed components.
- Due to time constraints the whole valve was replaced and it was not checked whether only parts of the valve were broken.



Operating states of the No-Mix toilets

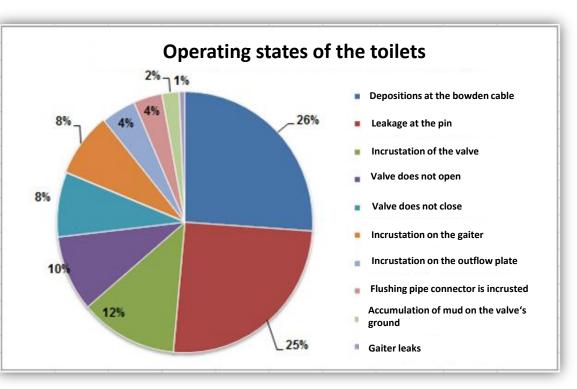
Summary of the interpretation table

- Within the period from 1st January 2010 till 31
 December 2011 the most frequent troubles were caused by urine scale deposition and incrustations.
- This problem occurs in general in public urinal facilities ⇒ train stations, service areas, restaurants and airports.



Operating states of the No-Mix toilets

56% of all incidents (78 out) of 138) show problems caused by urine scale precipitation. These are depositions on the bowden cable (36), incrustations of the valve (17), incrustations on the gaiter (11), incrusted flushing pipe connectors (5), accumulation of mud on the valve's ground (3) and incrustations on the outflow plate (6).



Operating states of the No-Mix toilets

The trend is that the precipitation of urine scale followed by the incrustations and depositions are the most frequent causes for malfunctions of the No-Mix toilets respectively the urine flow valves.

However, no solutions are known to prevent urine scale precipitation.

