



WATER SMART INDUSTRIAL SYMBIOSIS

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Ultra-tight UF in fit-for-purpose water treatment systems in the biochemical industry

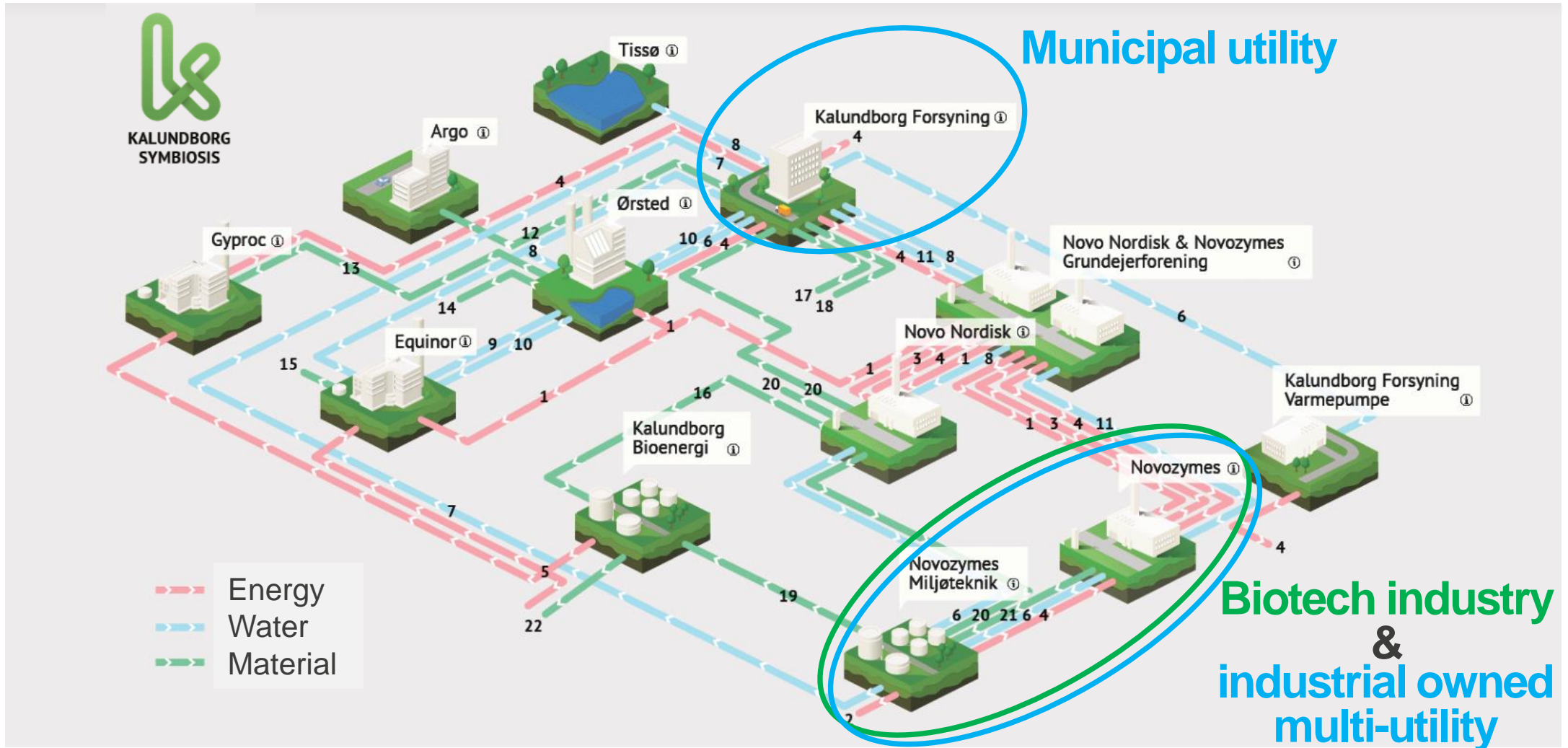
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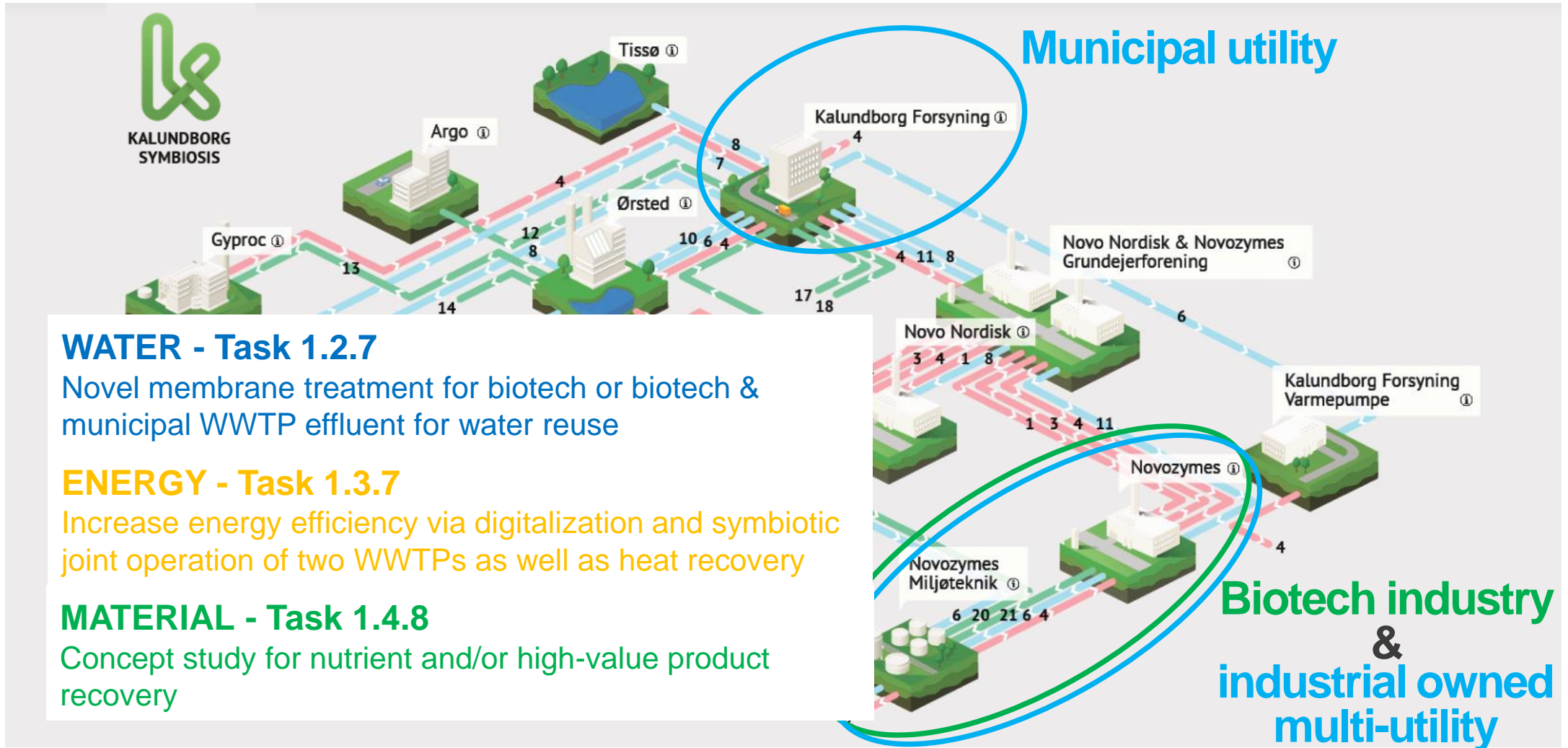


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Novel membrane treatment for biotech or biotech & municipal WWTP effluent for water reuse

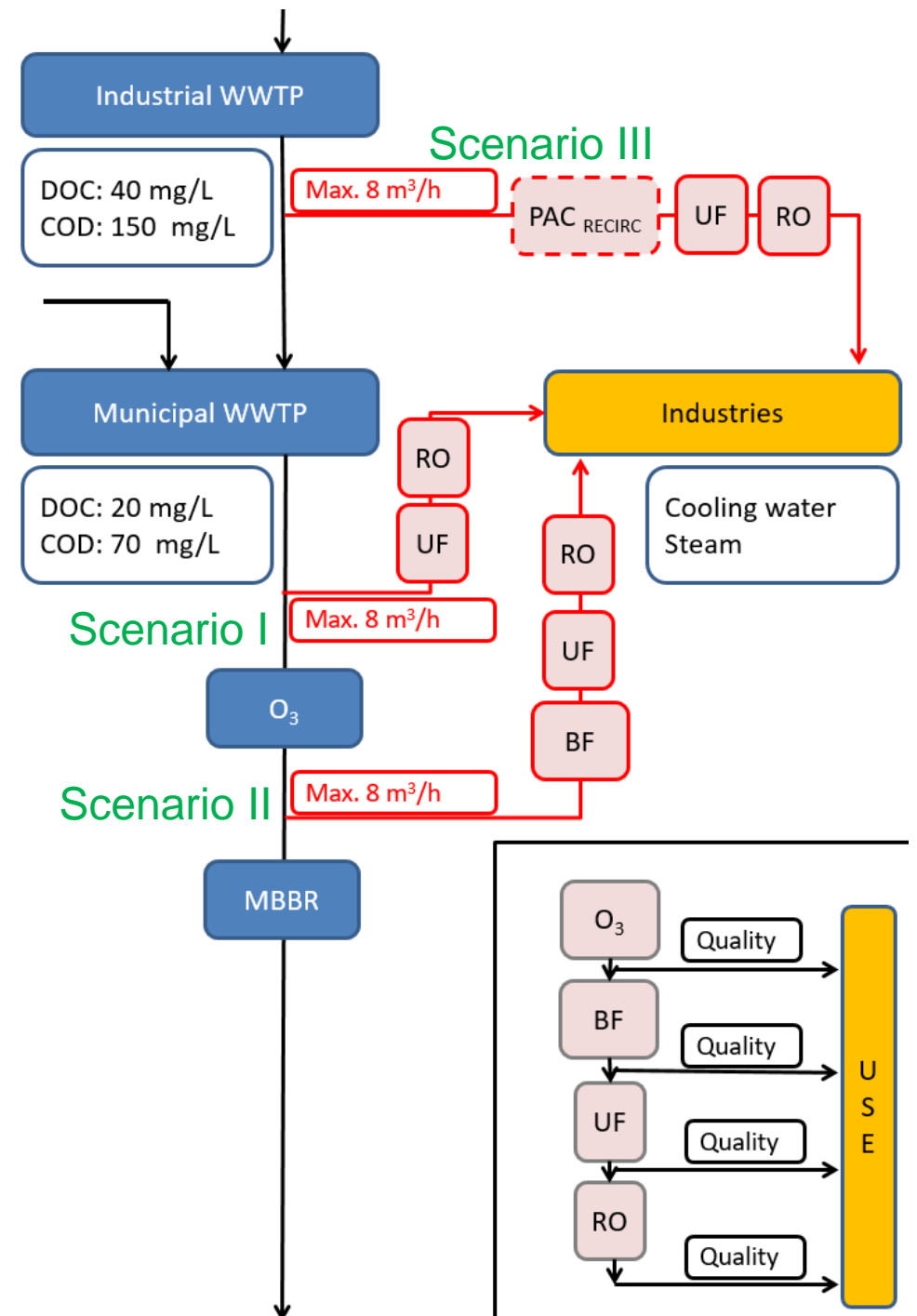
Partners:



OBJECTIVE:

Production of fit-for-purpose water via:

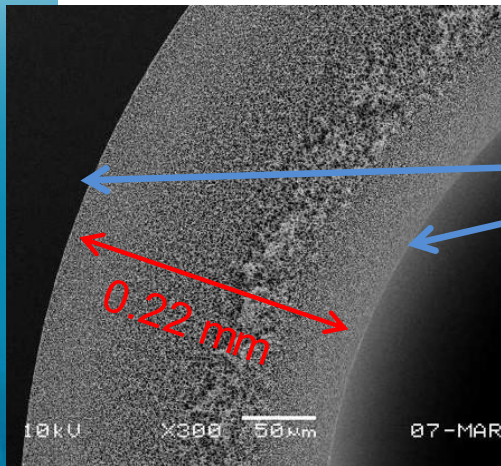
- novel (ultra tight) ultra-filtration membrane combined with
- pre-treatment for wastewater with high-non-degradable organic matter



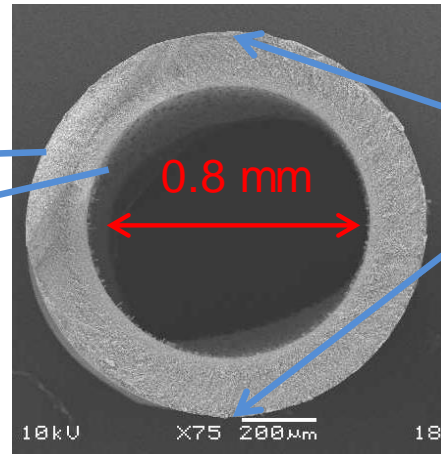


Hollow Fiber Ultrafiltration

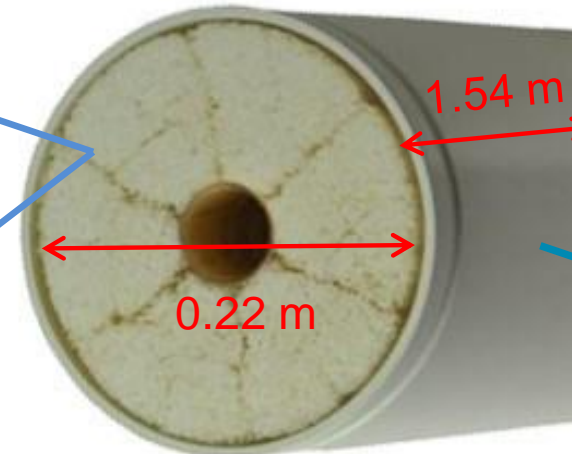
- Hollow fibers: 0.8 mm internal diameter
- Filtration: inside out
- Material: polyvinylpyrrolidone / polyethersulfone
- Module: 0.22 / 1.5 m (diameter / length), 64 / 75 m²
- > 99.99% virus removal (NSF61 & NSF41)



Fibre wall



Fibre



Module head



Skid with modules

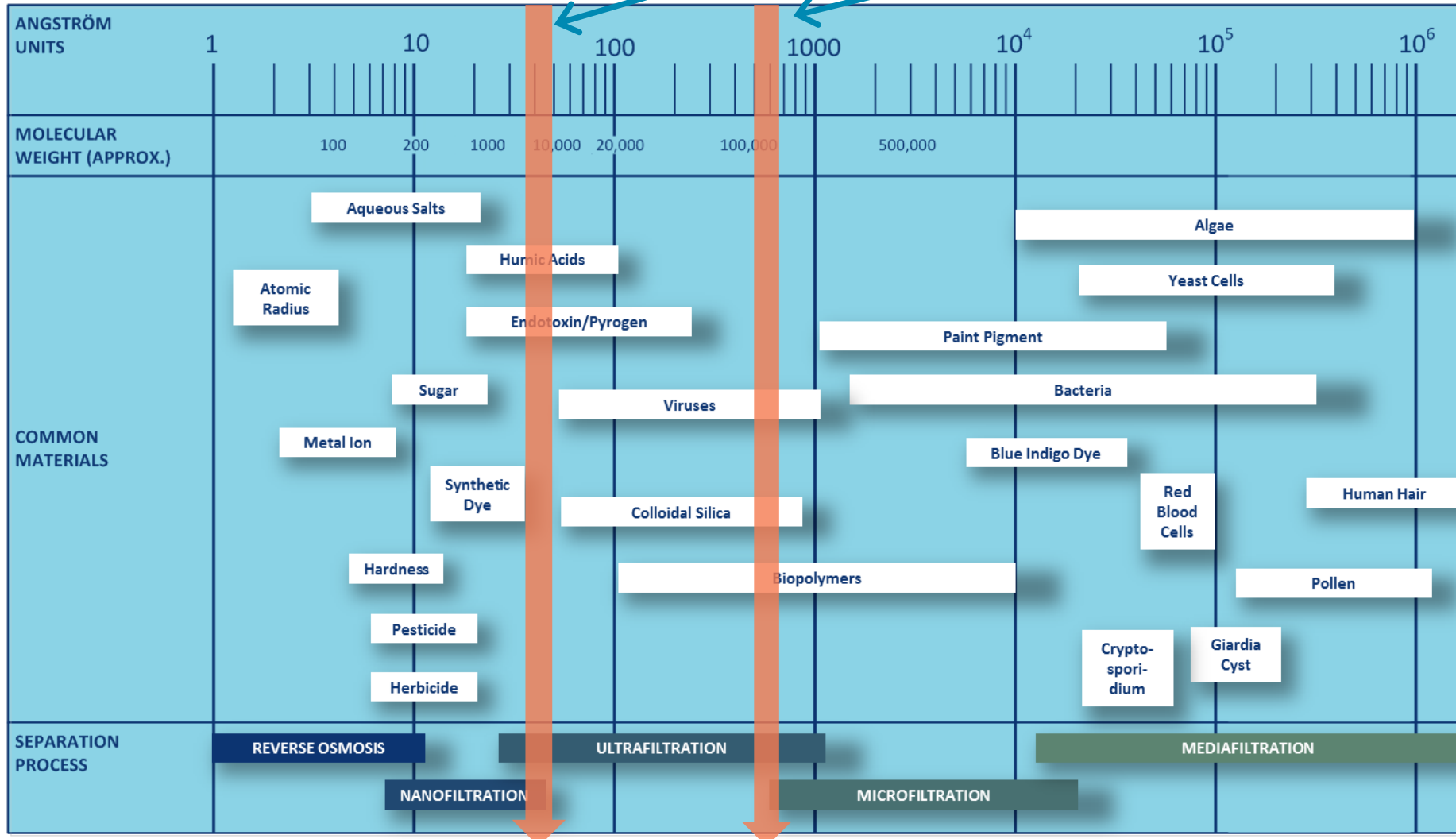




The Filtration Spectrum

Novel (ultra tight) UF membrane (~4 kDa)

Conventional UF (MWCO 150 kDa)



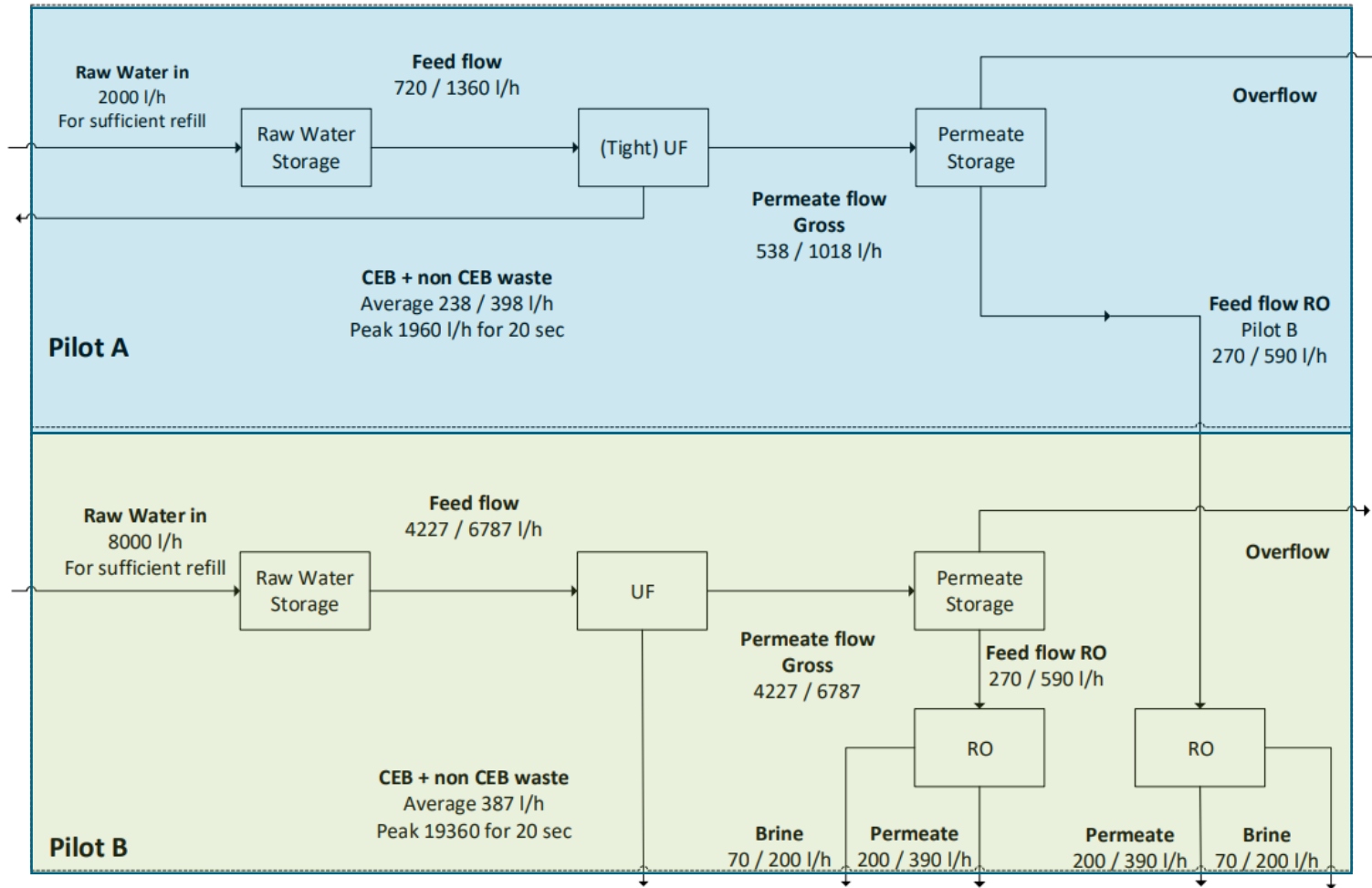
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Schematic setup pilot plants



➤ Pilot A:
20 ft container with new tight UF

➤ Pilot B:
40 ft container with conventional UF and 2 small RO-units
Each RO-unit receives permeate from one of the UF-processes

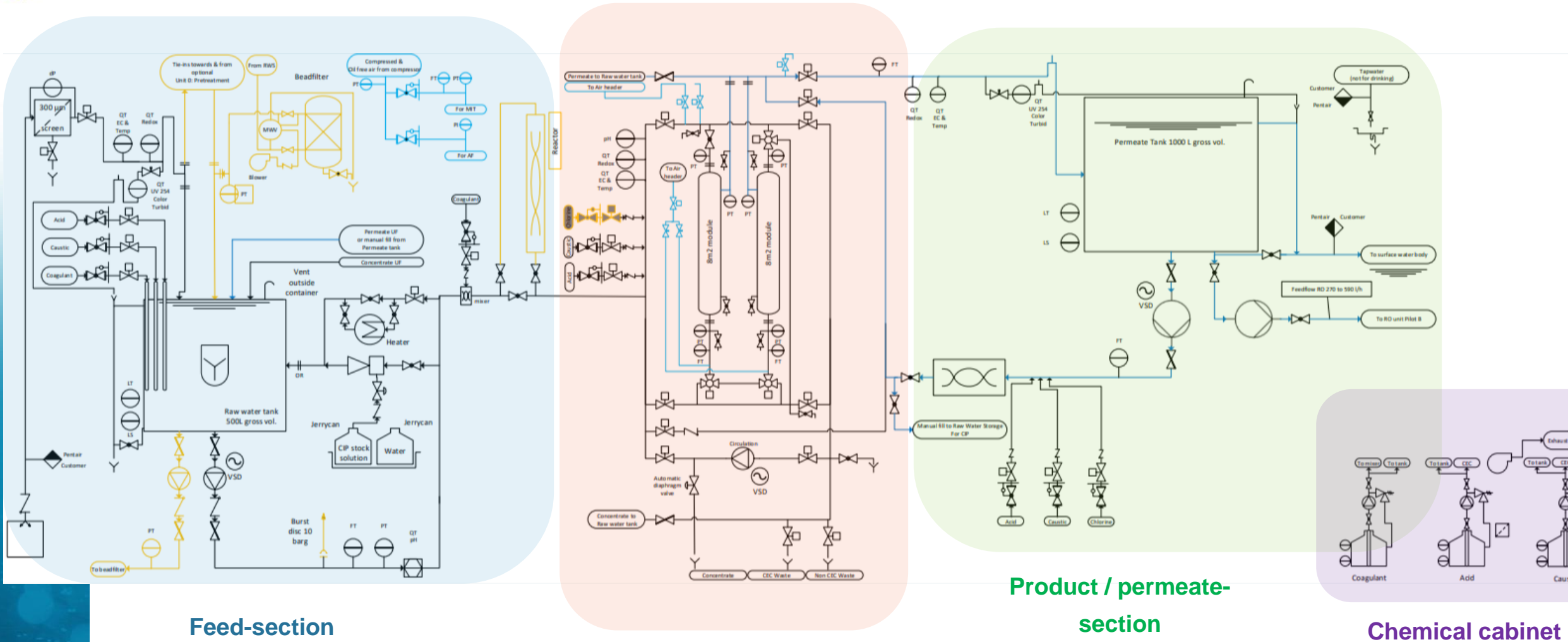


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Flow diagram pilot A (tight UF)



Feed-section

Membrane-section

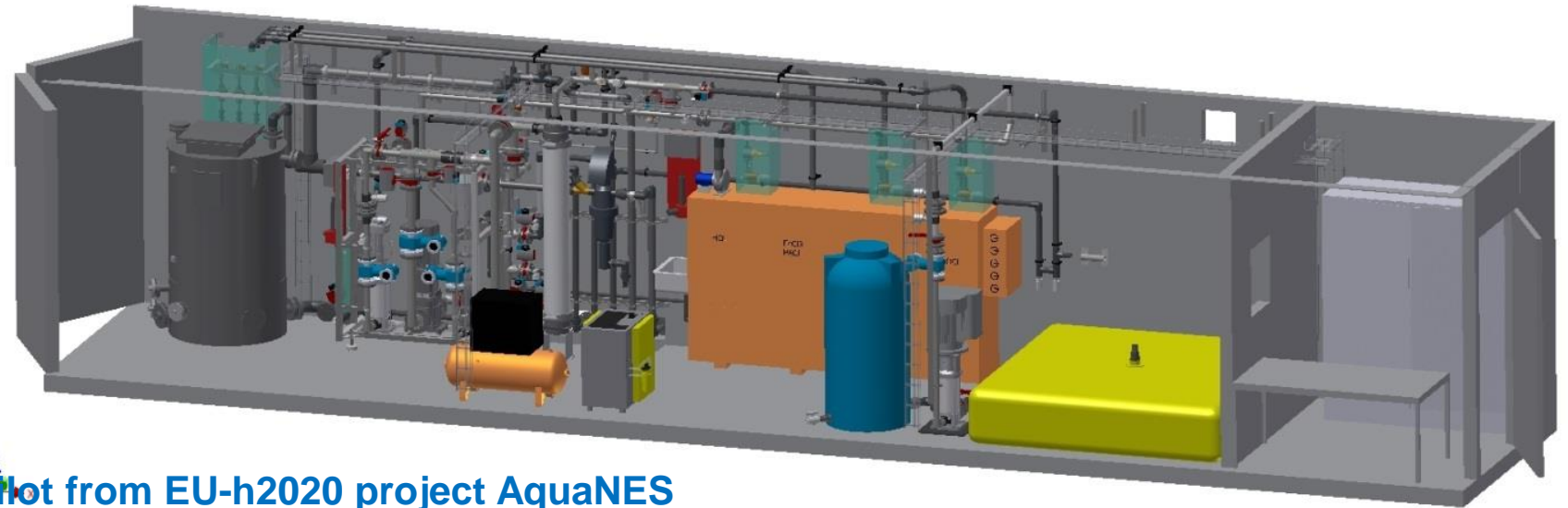
Product / permeate-section

Chemical cabinet





Pilot B from previous EU-h2020 project will be refurbished



Pilot from EU-h2020 project AquaNES

Containerized (40 feet)

Remote controlled

Full-scale NF or UF module (40-75 m²)

Variable process settings

Simulation of one full-scale filtration stage

Feed: 0.5 – 6 m³/h

Panorama-tour: <http://showcase24.eu/pano/bwb-tiefwerder.html>





KPI's proposed (for Task 1.2.7)

KPI proposed	Parameter to be determined
Water yield & reduction of fresh water through reuse of treated wastewater	Inlet and outlet flowrate of the system Recoveries (UF, RO)
Water quality	Removal of specific compounds. Physicochemical and microbiological parameters from inlet and outlet; emerging organic pollutant; nutrient removal (or recovery)
Other parameters to be determined	
Energy consumption	Energy used for the treatment per m ³ obtained Energy used per kg of pollutant removal
Reagents & materials required	Amounts of reagents used for treatment or materials (flocculant, etc.) per m ³ produced and kg of pollutant removed
Wastes produced	Sludge generated (kg per m ³ produced) and brines (m ³ per m ³ produced)



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Parameters to be determined in detail (to be discussed!)

- Physicochemical parameters (temperature, pH, conductivity, O₂, ORP, turbidity, suspended solids/ TDS, UV absorption (254nm), colour (436nm), DOC, TOC, COD, Fe, Mn, hardness, carbonate hardness, Ca, Mg, CO₂, HCO₃, acid capacity, base capacity, total alkalinity, Al, Ba, Cl, K, Na, SiO₂, Sr, F, B, SO₄ – only a selection continuously!)
- Microbiological parameters (pathogenic bacteria, viruses and parasites (e.g. *E. Coli*, *Enterococcus*, somatic coliphages, *Clostridium perfringens* spores/spore-forming sulphate reducing bacteria)), Emerging organic pollutants (depending on existing pollutants)
- Nutrients (NH₄, NO₃, PO₄, TP, BOD₅)
- Performance parameter (flow, pressure, temperature, intervals backwash, chemical cleaning, CIP's)





Summerizing some high lights

The project will deliver:

- Insight in the performance of the novel ultra-tight UF membrane (with challenging WWTP effluents)
- Insight in quality of produced water
- Effectiveness of novel UF in protecting the RO is compared with conventional UF
- KPI's will be available to assess the (economic) feasibility for the water treatment steps

