



Industrial Water Evaporators

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**Disposal of the liquid fraction of
digestate and valorisation with
ammonia nitrogen reduction, nu-
trients and water recovery.**

THE OPPORTUNITY

***Biogas and Biomethane are
the perfect solution to our need of energy.***

The recent energy crisis has highlighted the urgent need to find alternative sources of gas supply.

***Biogas and Biomethane, already known as “Renewable Natural Gas”,
are the perfect answer to this need.***

OPPORTUNITY OR PROBLEM?

Anaerobic Digestion generates a huge amount of liquid digestate.

According to the “European Biogas Association”, the trend of the construction of biogas and biomethane plants is growing year by year.

*But this also means that the volume of digestate to be treated is increasing, too. **And this is the big problem that we must solve now.***

THE NITROGEN LOAD IN THE DIGESTATE

The main problem with digestate is with the high load of ammonia nitrogen.

European Directives restrict the spreading of these substances on the soil, being considered high concentration pollutants.

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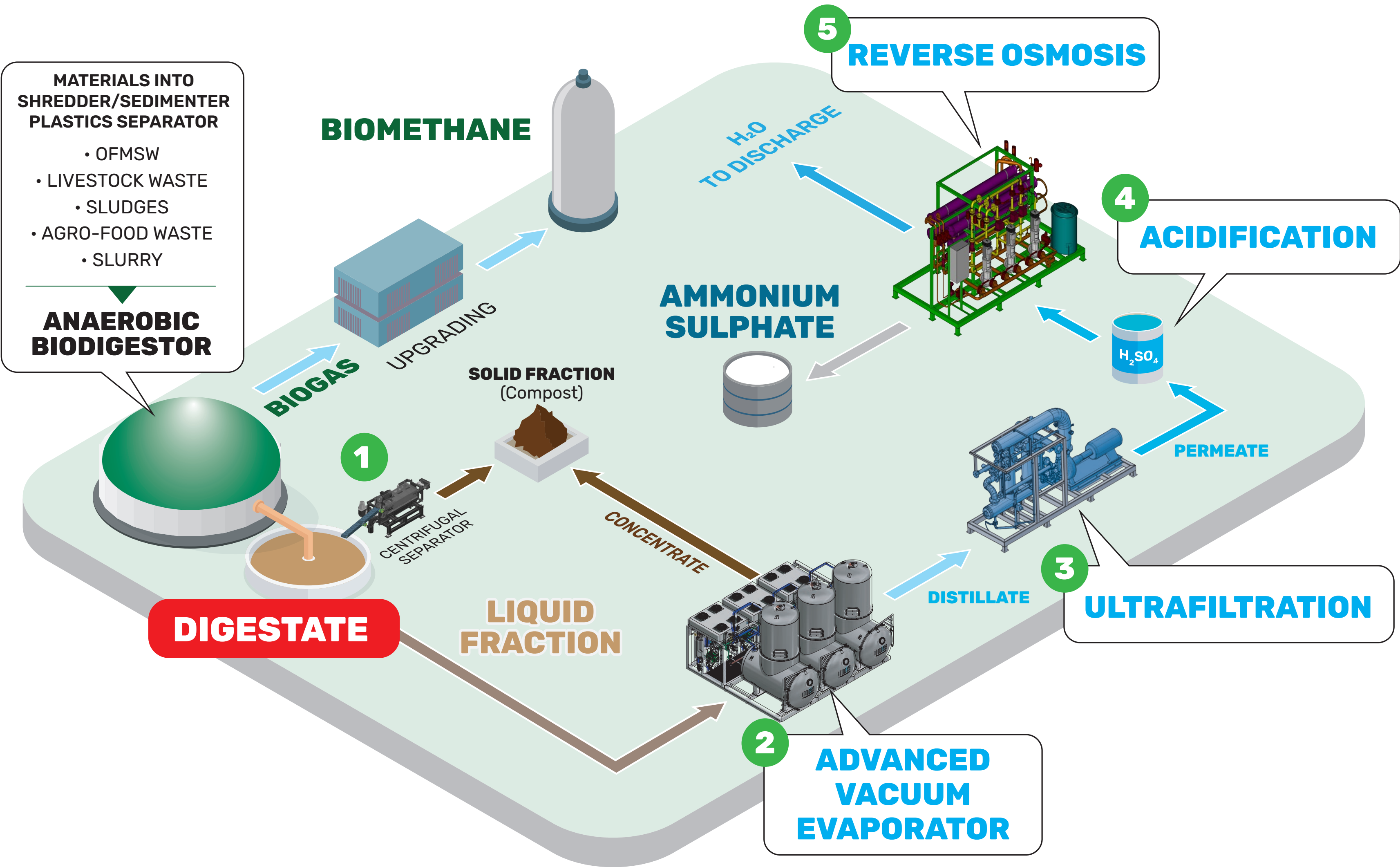
THE SOLUTION

Multi-process systems based on ADVANCED VACUUM EVAPORATORS.



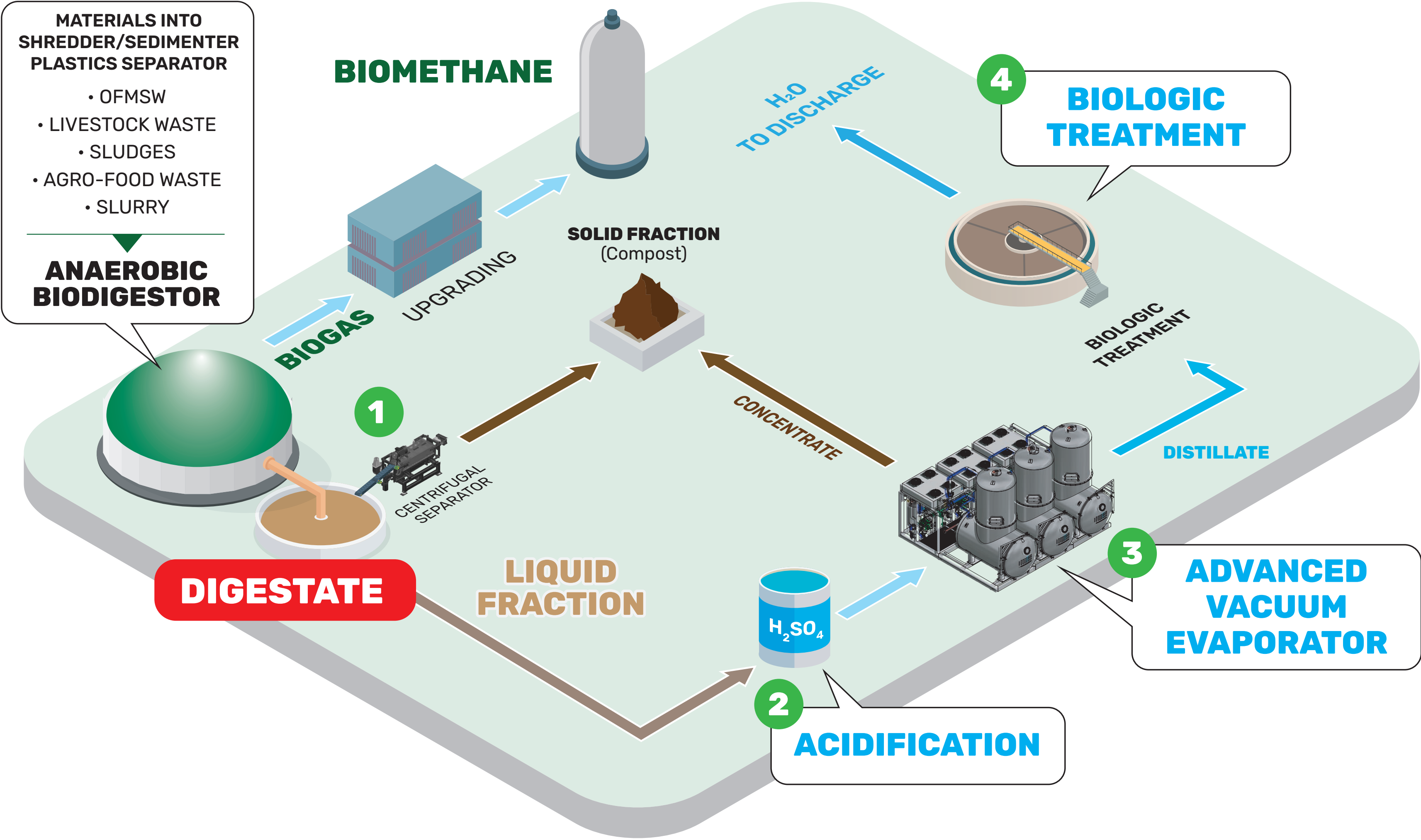
IWE have found a really effective solution: it is a multi-process system based on the use of advanced vacuum evaporators. According to the specific nature of the liquid digestate, and of energy quantity and availability, the configuration of the processes involved in the system may be different: we can use biological treatments, combined with membrane systems such as ultra or nano filtration and reverse osmosis, possible pre-acidification or ammonia stripping.

- **EVOLUTED VACUUM EVAPORATION**
- **Acidification**
- **Ultra/Micro Filtration**
- **Reverse Osmosis**
- **Ammonia Stripping**
- **H₂S removal**



RESULTS FROM CASE-STUDY #1
TREATMENT OF
ZOO-TECHNICAL DIGESTATE

STATE	DIGESTATE	DISTILLATE	CONCENTRATE
VOLUME (mc/day)	100	75	25
SOLID SUBSTANCE (%)	5	< 0,1	20
pH	8,20	9,50	8,80
AMMONIA g/mc	3.400	2.950	450
PHOSPHATES g/mc	105	< 0,1	420
COD mg/l O ₂	38.000	130	145.000



RESULTS FROM CASE-STUDY #2
TREATMENT DIGESTATE
AFTER ACIDIFICATION

STATE	DIGESTATE	DISTILLATE	CONCENTRATE
VOLUME (mc/day)	100	75	25
SOLID SUBSTANCE (%)	5	< 0,1	20
pH	8,20	8,55	6,10
AMMONIA g/mc	3.400	65	10.500 (ammonium sulphate)
PHOSPHATES g/mc	105	< 0,1	420
COD mg/l O ₂	38.000	160	162.000

THE ADVANCED EVOLUTION

Vacuum evaporators with “Easy Opening” system to access boilers, Innovative Heat-Exchangers with “Immersed Plates” to avoid encrusting, and Automatic Cleaning to improve maintenance.

STANDARD HEAT-EXCHANGERS

Tube bundle - Immersed coil



IWE HEAT-EXCHANGERS

Immersed Plates



**HEAT EXCHANGERS
WITH FULLY AUTOMATIC
CLEANING SYSTEM**



**HIGH QUALITY
DISTILLATE**

**EXCLUSIVE AUTOMATIC
CLEANING SYSTEM**

**INNOVATIVE
HEAT EXCHANGERS**

**EASY OPENING
SYSTEM**





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