

METABOLIC HUBS

INTEGRATING WATER TREATMENT AND REUSE INTO URBAN ENVIRONMENT



MODULAR IN FUNCTION

- ✓ WATER TREATMENT
- ✓ WATER RECYCLING & REUSE
- ENERGY RECOVERY
- RESOURCE RECOVERY
- ✓ FOOD PRODUCTION
- ✓ COMMUNITY

VARIABLE SHAPE & FORM

SCALABLE & EXTENDABLE

CAPACITY INCREASE

DE-CENTRALIZED &

INTER-CONNECTABLE

XS-XL SIZES (1,500-300,000 PS)

FUTURE-PROOF

Engineered ecosystems, interconnected into a decentralized network of high tech infrastructure solutions, transforming urban areas into smart, sustainable, circular economies.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT

Smaller, nicer, and more efficient. Fits into any urban area

RETROFIT

Free up High Value Land for Redevelopment

URBAN SURFACE WATERS

Rehabilitation and maintenance

PLATFORM TECHNOLOGY

Integrated, waterbased Urban Circularity

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP NETWORK

Headquartered in the European Union

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WATER TECHNOLOGY

METABOLIC NETWORK REACTOR (MNR)

Patented 3rd generation integrated fixed-film activated sludge (IFAS)



Engineered ecosystem using 2-3,000 species

NATURAL AND SYNTHETIC PLANT ROOTS TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT SURFACE FOR MICROBIAL GROWTH

- **Small physical footprint**
- **Financial savings**
- Energy efficient (low TSS, high α -factor)
- Looks & smells like a garden
- Large amount of biomass
- High SRT, efficient NH₄ removal
- Resilient to shock loading



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URBAN SOLUTIONS

MIXED USE REAL ESTATE – MODULAR APPROACH

WATER-BASED URBAN CIRCULARITY FOR A SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



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Above: Interior view of a 20,000 PE Netherlands facility treating mixed industrial and municipal wastewater.

CIRCULAR SOLUTION for:

- WATER RECYCLING
- ENERGY RECOVERY
- ORGANIC RESOURCE RECOVERY
- COMPACT
 TECHNOLOGY
 FOR A SMALL
 BUILDING
 FOOTPRINT
- MODULAR AND
 FLEXIBLE IN
 DESIGN
- ✓ CIRCULAR SYSTEM
- ✓ WATER RE-USE
- BEAUTIFUL
 ENVIRONMENT
 FOR EASY
 INTEGRATION
- ✓ ODOR FREE
- EFFICIENT AND ECONOMICAL



Variations on the Base Module



The base module capacity ranges from 500 m^3 /day to 1000 m^3 /day, which is equivalent to 2500 - 5000 person equivalents (PE). The actual capacity depends on the influent water parameters and temperature, and the desired effluent requirements.



The modular nature of the MNR technology allows for maximum architectural flexibility, where the facility can be arranged in vertical or horizontal layout depending on space availability.

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In the event that construction occurs in phases, the facility can be designed to expand with the growing development.

Additional functions for energy recovery, and organic waste recovery can also be added to meet the needs of the community.



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BIOPOLUS REFERENCE PROJECTS

TRAPPIST ABBEY & BREWERY



CAPACITY: 438 m³/d (10,800 PE) TYPE: Industrial & Municipal INDUSTRY: Food & Beverage INFLUENT: 3,080 mg/l COD EFFLUENT: reused for irrigation

Koningshoeven, The Netherlands

World-wide around 2 billion hectoliters of beer is produced annually. The brewery industry is directly affected by the growing international problem of **water insecurity**.

The Koningshoeven brewery is a subsidiary of **Bavaria Brewery**, the **second largest brewery** in the Netherlands, producing around 7.5 million hectoliters of beer a year.

KONINGSHOEVEN WILL SERVE AS A BEACON FOR CIRCULAR BEVERAGE PRODUCTION



2018 Dutch Water Innovation Audience Award

✓ INTEGRATED INTO HISTORICAL SITE

- ✓ SMALL 847 m²
 FOOTPRINT
- ✓ ODOR-FREE
- ✓ WATER REUSE
- EFFICIENT &
 ECONOMICAL
- NATURAL
 APPEARANCE
- WATER
 CIRCULARITY
 SHOWCASE

PARTNER: Waterboard De Dommel



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REFERENCE PROJECTS

FLEXIBLE TOUCH SCREEN FACTORY - INDUSTRIAL



CAPACITY: 5,000 m³/d 25,000 PE TYPE: Industrial & Municipal INDUSTRY: Electronics

 INTEGRATED INTO OFFICE PARK

- ✓ SMALL 850 m²
 FOOTPRINT
- FREE VALUABLE
 AREA FOR FURTHER
 DEVELOPMENTS
- ✓ ODOR-FREE
- ✓ WATER TREATMENT
- EFFICIENT &
 ECONOMICAL
- NATURAL
 APPEARANCE

Shenzhen, China

The dynamic growth of industrial parks in China creates new urban centers with diverse economic activity and residential life. This unique coexistence produces mixed industrial and municipal wastewaters, which require tailored, site specific engineering solutions.

Royole Corporation, one of the largest flexible touch screen manufacturers in the world, will have a new production line in a mixed residential/industrial park in Shenzhen Yu.

TAILORED INTEGRATIVE WATER TREATMENT IN A HIGHLY-SENSITIVE URBAN AREA

PARTNER: Shenzhen DIDA Water Engineering



Biopolus technology installation; early phase of plant growth.

Site-specific and aesthetically pleasing **WASTEWATER TREATMENT** that perfectly fits into the dynamically developing, mixed office park.

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REFERENCE PROJECTS

MIXED DEVELOPMENT - MUNICIPAL



CAPACITY:	30,000 m³∕d
	120,000 PE
TYPE:	Municipal

PHASED DEVELOPMENT

✓ SMALL FOOTPRINT

FREE VALUABLE AREA FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS

- ✓ ODOR-FREE
- ✓ WATER TREATMENT
- EFFICIENT &
 ECONOMICAL
- ✓ NATURAL APPEARANCE

Yangxin, China

Yangxin is a dynamically growing urban district in the Wuhan metro area in Hubei, China. The city lies in the highly sensitive catchment area of the Yangtze river, in a landscape dominated by several lakes.

Fueled by rapid population growth the municipality commissioned a second wastewater treatment plant. Based on mixed experiences with the previous activated sludge plant, they opted to implement a state of the art new technology for a long-term, efficient solution.

EFFICIENT WATER TREATMENT IN A HIGHLY-SENSITIVE NATURAL AREA

PARTNER: Shenzhen DIDA Water Engineering



Satellite imagery of completed first phase

Small footprint and highly efficient **WASTEWATER TREATMENT** that meets effluent limits in a sensitive environment and enables future growth.

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REFERENCE PROJECTS

ALKMAAR - RETROFIT

North Holland, The Netherlands



CAPACITY:	11,000 m³⁄d
	90,000 PE
TYPE:	Municipal
INFLUENT:	220 BOD mg/l
	55 TN mg/l

CURRENT WWTP AREA: 8 ha

WATER TREATMENT AND REUSE

- CLOSED SYSTEM
- ✓ ODOR-FREE
- FOOTPRINT LESS THAN 10% OF CURRENT WWTP (1,990 m²)
- AREA FREED UP
 FOR DEVELOPMENT

EFFICIENT & ECONOMICAL

There are about 5000-8000 inner city sewage treatment plants around the globe, which occupy **very high value lands** and are surrounded by offices and residential spaces.

Alkmaar WWTP is located in the city center. The large footprint of the current facility and the necessary exclusion zone prevent residential and business developments in the area.

A SUSTAINABLE URBAN ENVIRONMENT WITH FUNCTIONAL GREEN SPACES

PARTNER: HHNK Waterboard



FEASIBILITY & CONCEPT DESIGN

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CONCEPT: Replace the existing Inner City WWTP, **freeing up 94%** of the 3.3-hectare area for further development. **The value of the freed up land is estimated to be €25-30 million,** 3x the investment cost of the new facility.



Different quality for each reuse purpose

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STRIJP-S - DECENTRALIZATION



CAPACITY: 1,600 m³/d 13,500 PE TYPE: Municipal TOTAL SITE SIZE: 30 ha

WATER TREATMENT & REUSE

- ✓ LIVING LEARNING LABORATORY
- FOOTPRINT ONLY
 222 m²
- MODULAR & FLEXIBLE IN DESIGN
- EXPANDABLE IN
 SIZE &
 FUNCTIONALITY
- PARTNERING WITH
 KNOWLEDGE
 INSTITUTIONS

Eindhoven, The Netherlands

The Netherlands has one of the most efficient, centralized water management systems in the world. To take the next step toward a sustainable circular solution, an additional layer of decentralized and interconnected water treatment facilities are needed.

Strijp-S is the large urban rehabilitation project of a former industrial park, located close to the city center of Eindhoven.

CENTER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PRACTICE OF CIRCULAR ECONOMY VALUES & FUNCTIONS

PARTNERS: Waterboard De Dommel, City of Eindhoven, Province of Noord-Brabant



FEASIBILITY & CONCEPT DESIGN

The first decentralized Dutch **WATER TREATMENT & RECYCLING** facility, with a pilot system for **GROUNDWATER TREATMENT**.

INTEGRATING CENTRALIZED & DECENTRALIZED

Inter-connectable with other HUBs and with existing infrastructure

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FAMU CAMPUS – INTEGRATED METABOLIC HUB



CAPACITY: 640 m³/d TYPE: Municipal WASTE: 100 kg/d food 100 kg/d green

 NEW MODEL FOR CIRCULAR EDUCATION

- ✓ WATER
 TREATMENT &
 REUSE (580 m³/d)
- ✓ 500 m² WATER FACILITY
- 290 m² FOR
 ORGANIC & GREEN
 WASTE
 BIOREFINERY
- PROTEIN &
 CELLULOSE
 PRODUCTION
- 500 m² PLANT
 FACTORY FOR
 FOOD
 PRODUCTION
 (HYDRO-, AEROPONICS)

Florida, The United States

The **linear Take, Make, Dispose lifestyle** of our cities increasingly depletes finite resources. Closing the Water, the Energy, the Waste and the Food loops allows greater utilization of resources.

Florida A&M University (FAMU) is located in Florida's State capital, Tallahassee. FAMU is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge, the resolution of complex issues, and the empowerment of its citizens and communities.

OPEN INNOVATION PLATFORM FOR SUSTAINABLE ENERGY, WATER, AND FOOD SOLUTIONS.

PARTNERS: EnergyWaterFood Nexus



FEASIBILITY & CONCEPT DESIGN

A **COLLABORATION SPACE** for research, business, and education for the advancement of innovation in sustainable sciences.



