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# **PHYCOTECHNOLOGY:**

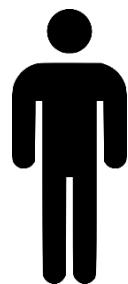
## **LOW CARBON PROCESS FOR WATER RECYCLING**

# **CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER FACTS...**

More than 2 billion people live in countries experiencing high water stress. The situation will likely worsen as populations and the demand for water grow, and as the effects of climate change intensify. ([United Nations, 2018](#))

Climate change will have its most direct impact on child survival through three direct channels: changing disease environments, greater food insecurity, and threats to water and sanitation. ([UNICEF, 2019](#)).

# URBAN WASTEWATER



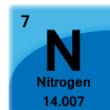
250 L PER PERSON AND DAY



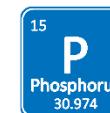
75 G OF SUSPENDED SOLIDS PER PERSON AND DAY



200 G OF ORGANIC MATTER SOLIDS PER PERSON AND DAY



12,5 G OF NITROGEN PER PERSON AND DAY

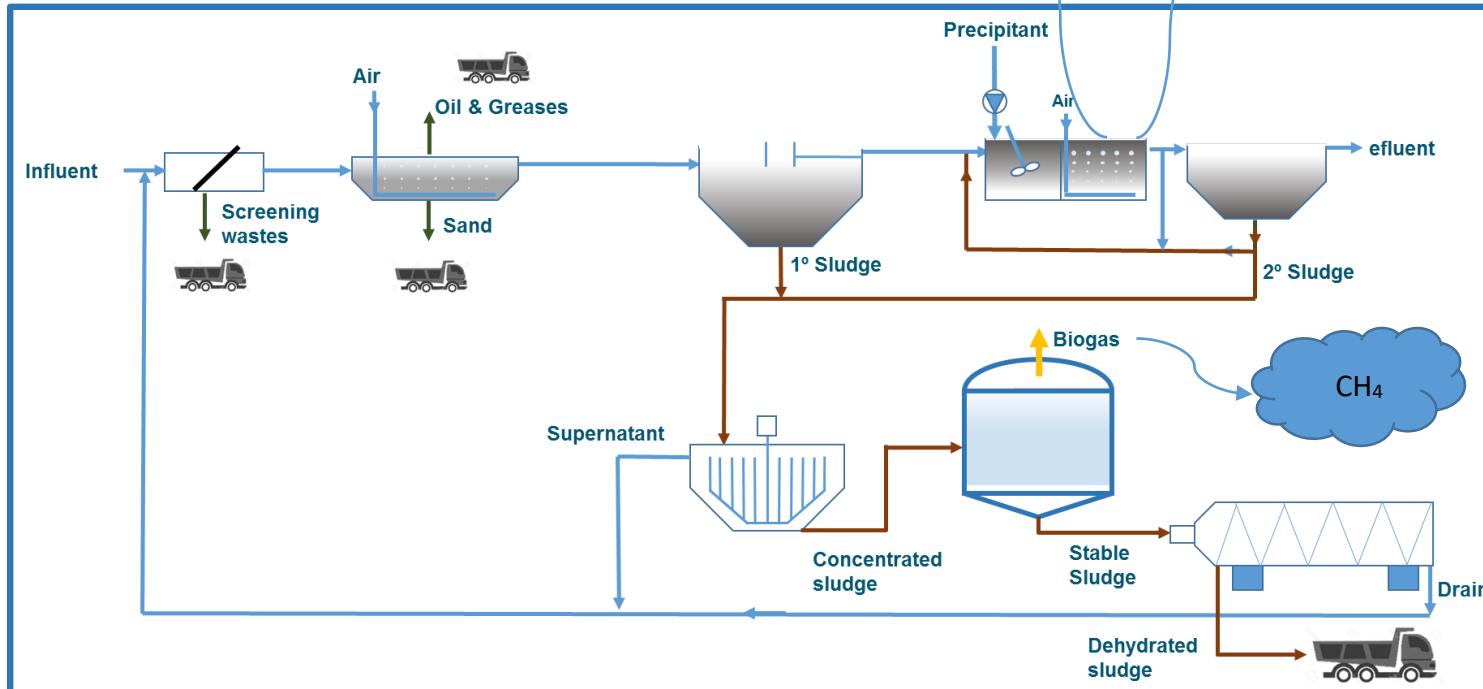


2,5 G OF PHOSPHOROUS PER PERSON AND DAY

## CONVENTIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT

36 kg CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent per habitant and year \*

Greenhouse Gases  
DIRECT EMISSIONS



Greenhouse Gases  
INDIRECT EMISSIONS



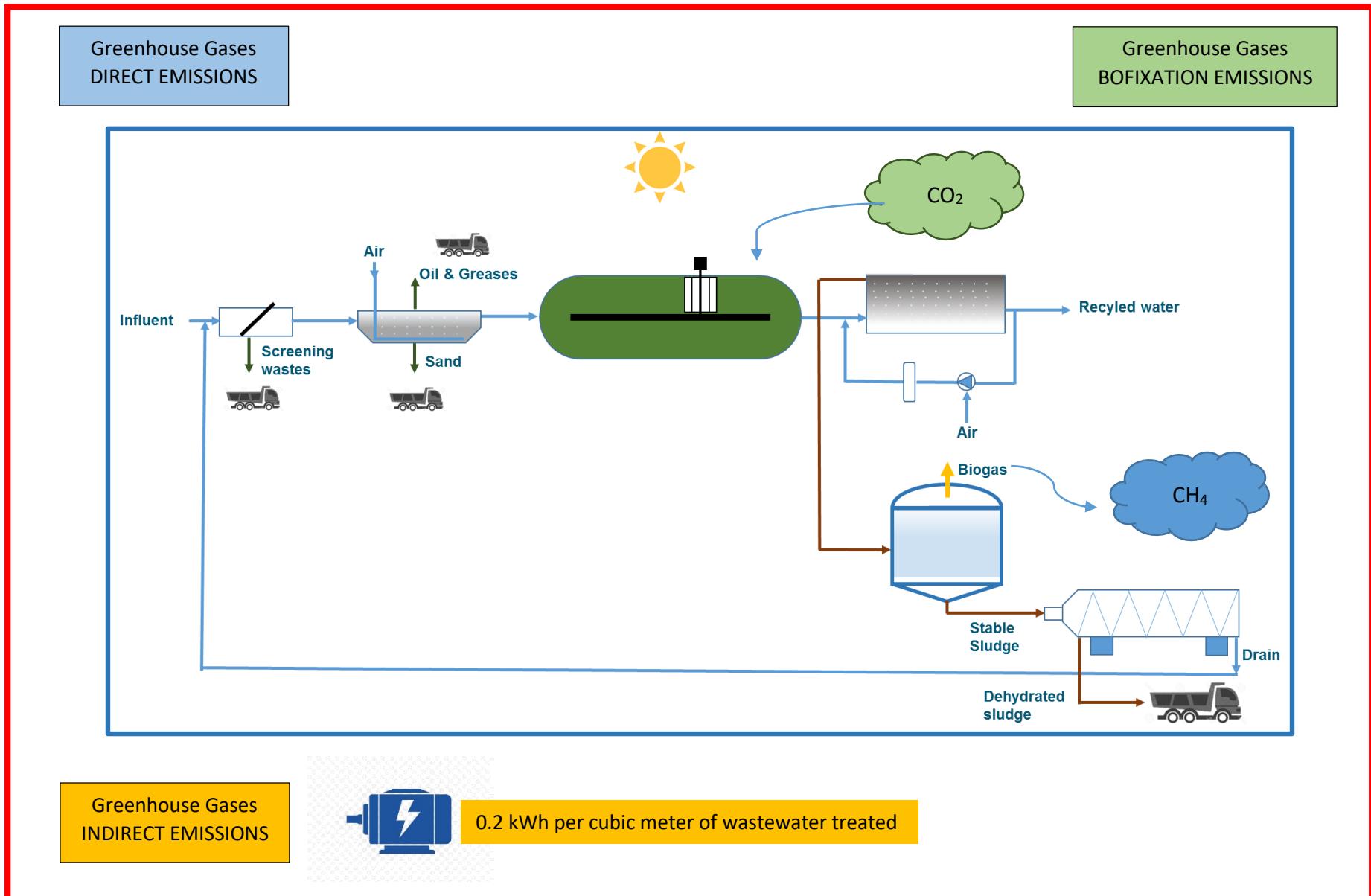
0.8 kWh per cubic meter of wastewater treated

## PHYCOTECHNOLOGY BASED WASTEWATER TREATMENT

- 50 kg CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent per habitant

\* <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.egypro.2016.10.067>

15 kg CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent per habitant



## DATAS

Kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq/person/year	Conventional	Ficoremediation
Electricity	5,6	1,4
Chemicals PO <sub>4</sub> removal	0,9	0
Chemicals sludge dewatering	0,6	0,6
N <sub>2</sub> O nitrification-denitrification	15,5	0
CH <sub>4</sub> sludge digestion	9,5	9,5
N <sub>2</sub> O/CH <sub>4</sub> water bodies	3,3	3,3
Transport	0,61	0,61
Microalgae biofixation	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36,01</b>	<b>15,41</b>

**El proceso con microalgas consume alrededor de 4 veces menos electricidad**

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