

# Continuous Sand Filters

## Tertiary WWT and other applications

### References from Saudi Arabia- Sewage Treatment Plants

#### Customer:

- Abqaiq STP
- Dhahran WWTP
- Hofuf STP Ph1
- Dammam STP
- Hofuf STP Ph2
- Al Khobar STP
- Qatif STP

#### Flow:

960 m<sup>3</sup>/h  
1056 m<sup>3</sup>/h  
3000 m<sup>3</sup>/h  
6800 m<sup>3</sup>/h  
1700 m<sup>3</sup>/h  
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6300 m<sup>3</sup>/h

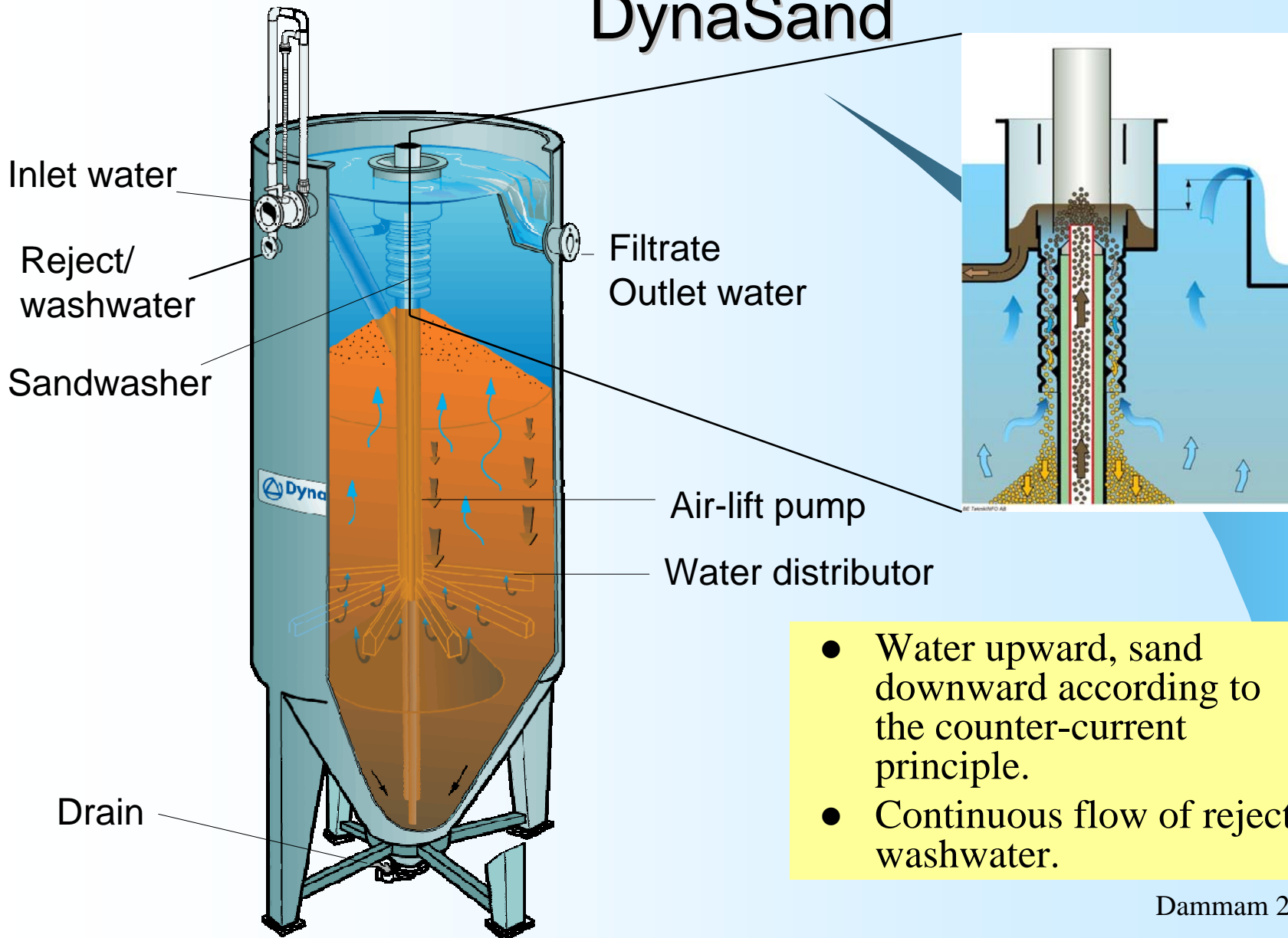
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# Introduction:

- What does "Continuous Sand filtration" mean?
- Doesn't the filter need to be backwashed?
- How could good filtration results be achieved for applications like Tertiary Filtration with Continuous Sand Filtration?

# Continuous filtration with DynaSand

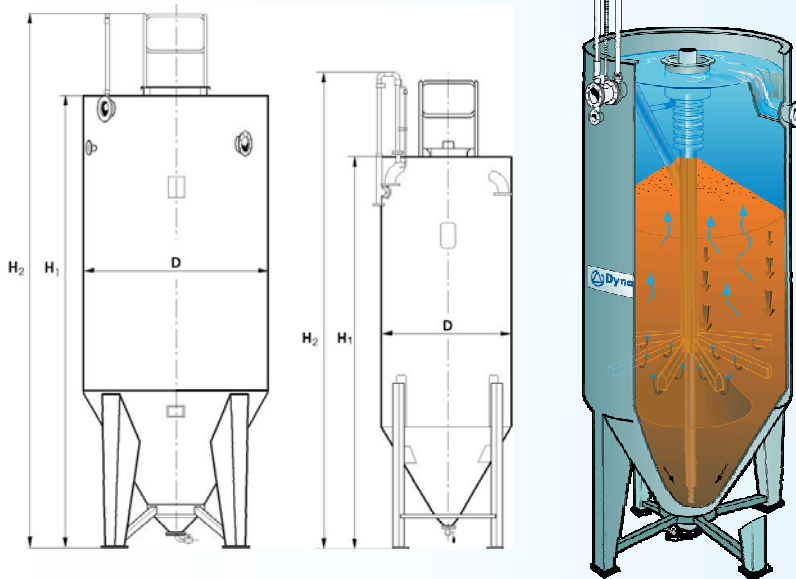


- Water upward, sand downward according to the counter-current principle.
- Continuous flow of reject washwater.

# Continuous filtration with DynaSand

Free standing units in Stainless Steel

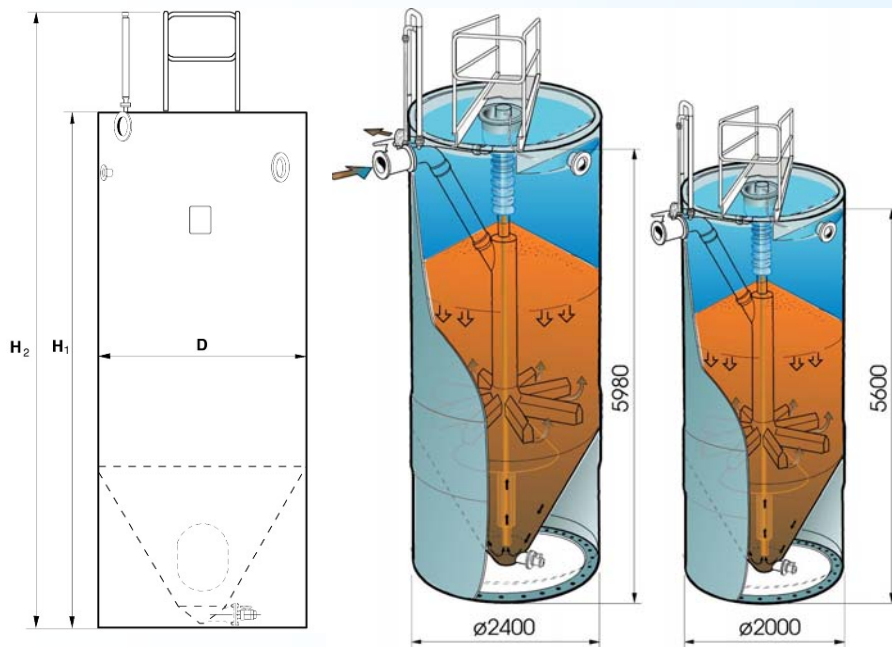
- Sizes from 0,3 – 5,0 m<sup>2</sup>
- Water flow from 1,5m<sup>3</sup>/hour and upwards
- Surface load rates 5 – 25 m/hour



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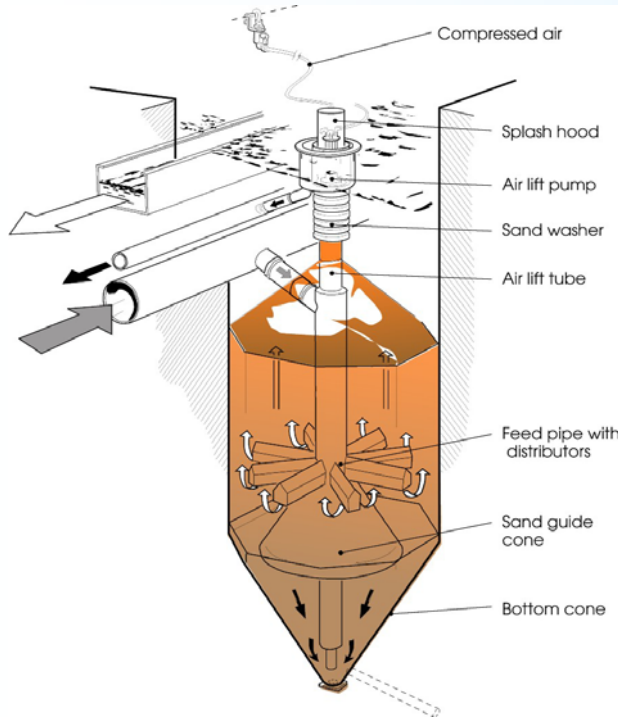
Free standing units in Glasfibre Reinforced Plastic (GRP)

- Sizes from 0,7 – 4,5 m<sup>2</sup>
- Water flow from 3,5m<sup>3</sup>/hour and upwards
- Surface load rates 5 – 25 m<sup>3</sup>/hour
- For high salinity and corrosive waters

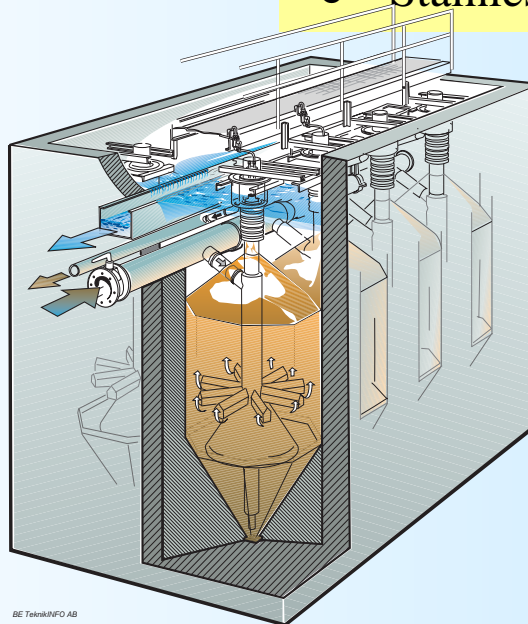


# Continuous filtration with DynaSand

Multimodule installations in concrete basins



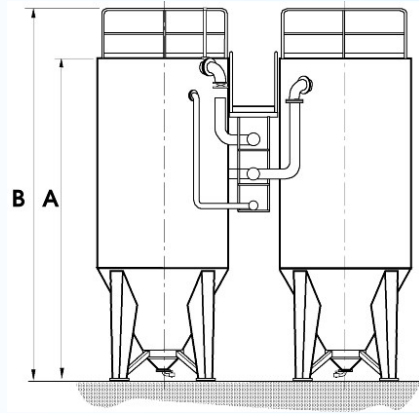
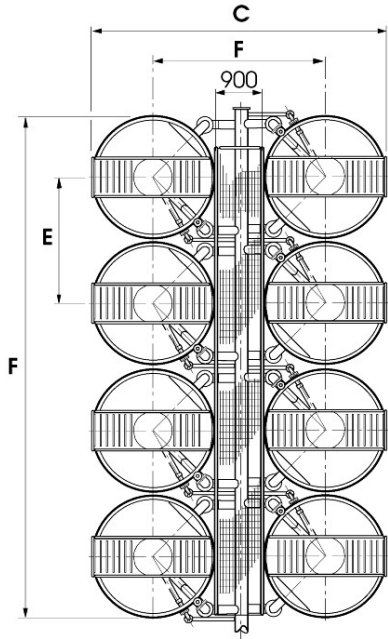
- Sizes: 5 and 6 m<sup>2</sup>/each unit
- 4 to 12 units in each basin
- Water flow from 25 m<sup>3</sup>/hour and upwards
- Surface load 5 – 25 m/h
- Stainless steel or GRP



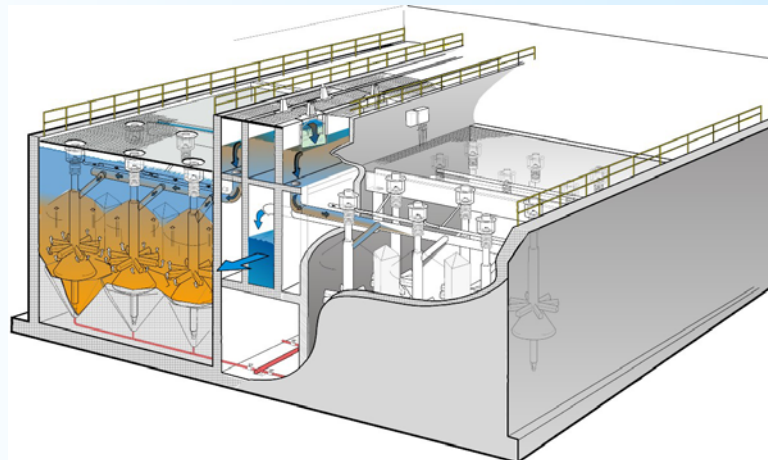
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# Continuous filtration with DynaSand

## Systems



To treat as high flows as needed.



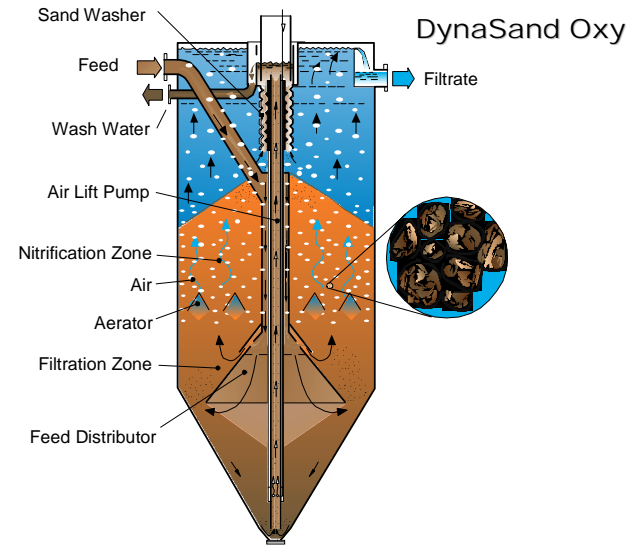
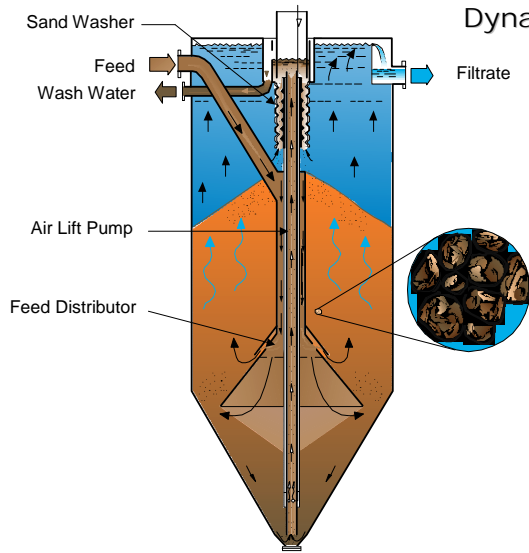
# Continuous Sand filter advantages

- A revolutionary separation method in form of "Continuous Contact Filtration".
- Simple function without any moving parts. Only air is added to the air-lift pump.
- The DynaSand Filter has a very high reliability and a very low demand of maintenance and supervision.
- A compact installation
- No interruption for back-washing.
- Higher capacity per unit of filter area.
- Continuous flow of washwater. No shock-load on the wash water treatment system.
- No "first filtrate". Always high quality filter effluent.



# Continuous filtration with DynaSand

## Nitrification-/Denitrification



# Continuous Sand filter history



The first pilot trial on Tertiary filtration of municipal waste water was carried out in August 1978.

# DynaSand-the first Continuous filter

- Developed by The Axel Johnson Institute now Nordic Water Products AB in Nynäshamn, Sweden.
- The DynaSand Filter was introduced in 1979.
- The inventor is still with the company.
- The first filter was installed for metal finishing wastewater in 1979.
- The first municipal wastewater treatment plant with DynaSand also was erected in 1979.

# DynaSand-the first Continuous Sand Filter

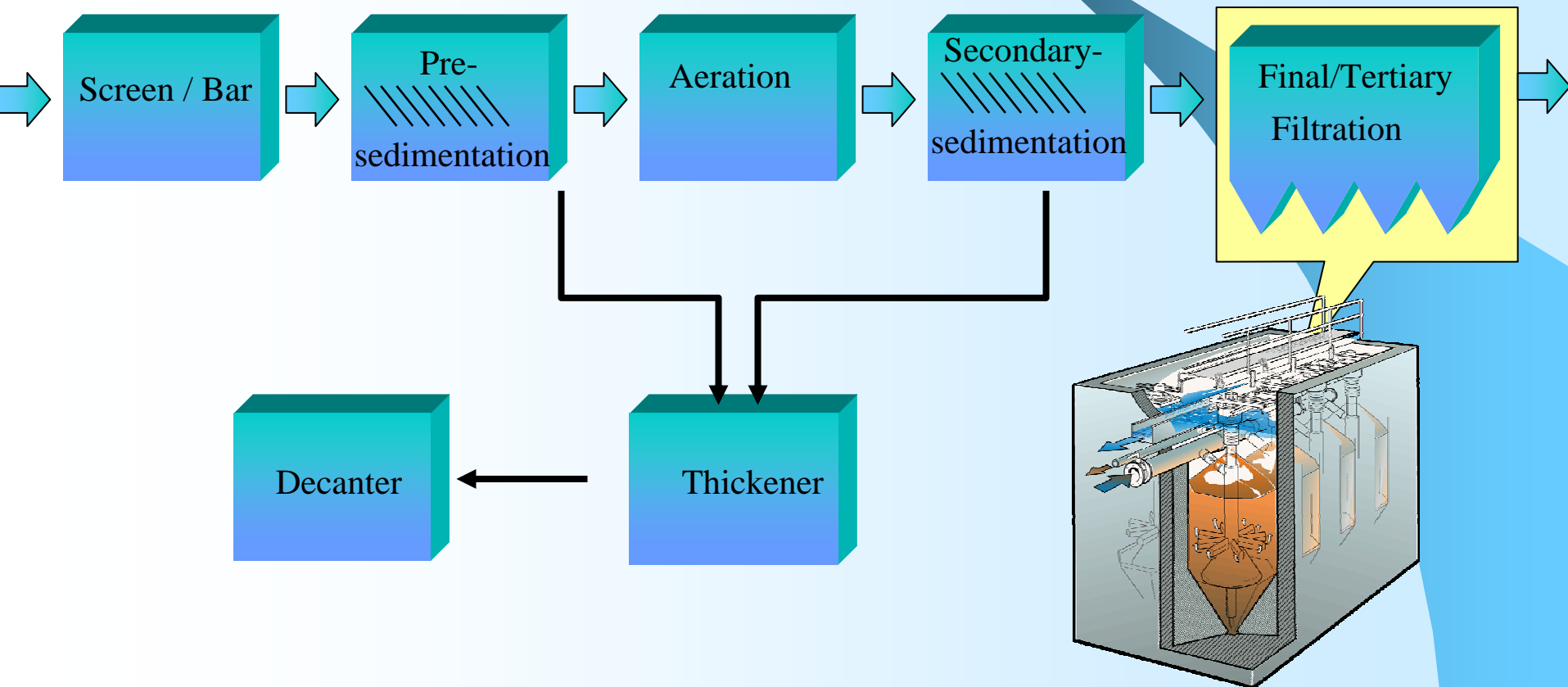
- Today there are over more than 18 000 installed filters worldwide, among them around 1000 in Sweden.
- DynaSand are installed in more than 50 countries.
- The worlds biggest Continuous Sand Filter installation is to be built in Saudi-Arabia.

# Continuous Sand filter Applications

- Municipal drinking water
- Municipal wastewater
- Pulp and paper industry
- Iron & Steel industry
- Chemical industry
- Food industry
- Pharmaceutical industry
- Mining- and minerals industry
- Power and thermal power stations
- Metal finishing industry
- And several others....

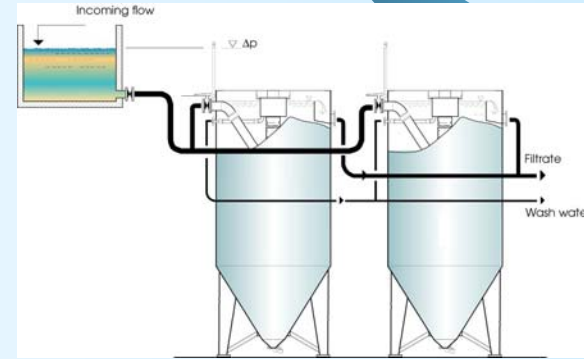
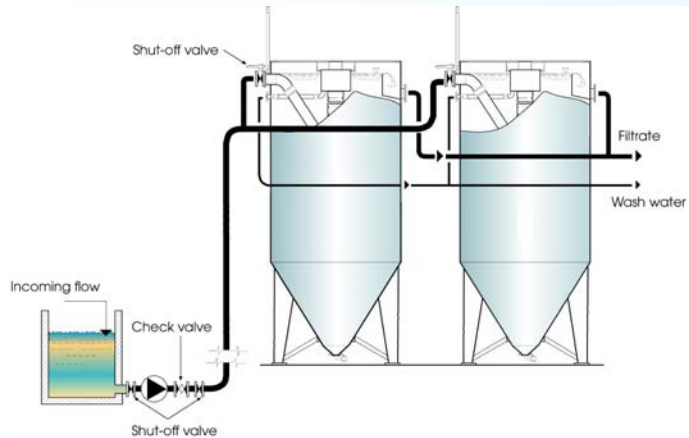
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Mechanical filtration



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### Reduction by mechanical filtration:

- Suspended Solids (SS): <10 mg/l ( Max 100mg/l SS-inlet)
- Phosphorus: Particular bound Phosphorus

Surface load rate : 10-15 m/hour

Sand grain size: 1,2-2,0 mm

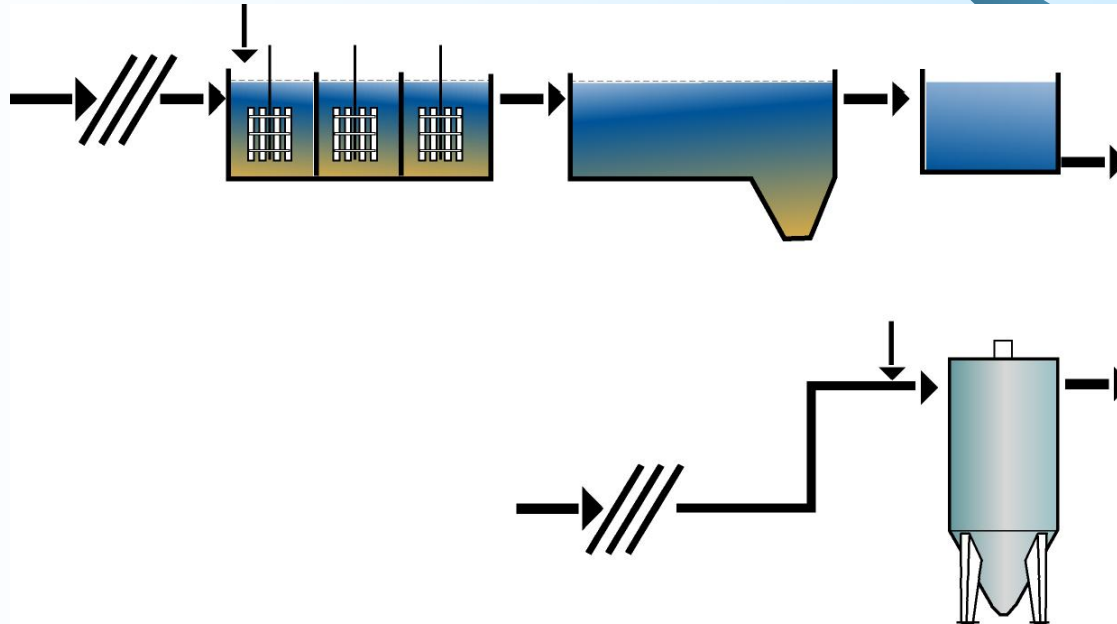
Filter bed height: ~ 1,5 m

Shock loading up to 400 mg/l SS can be handled.



# Tertiary Filtration

## Continuous Contact Filtration



# Tertiary Filtration

## Contact filtration

### Reduction by Continuous Contact Filtration:

- Suspended Solids: < 5 mg/l ( Max 60mg/l SS-inlet)
- Phosphorus: < 0,3 mg/l

Surface load rate : 5-10 m/hour

Sand grain Size: 1,2-2,0 mm

Filter bed height: ~ 2 m

Often much lower dosage of chemicals than conventional precipitation.

# Long term operational experiences from Continuous Sand Filtration plant:

- Växjö, Sundet Municipal waste water treatment plant, Sweden

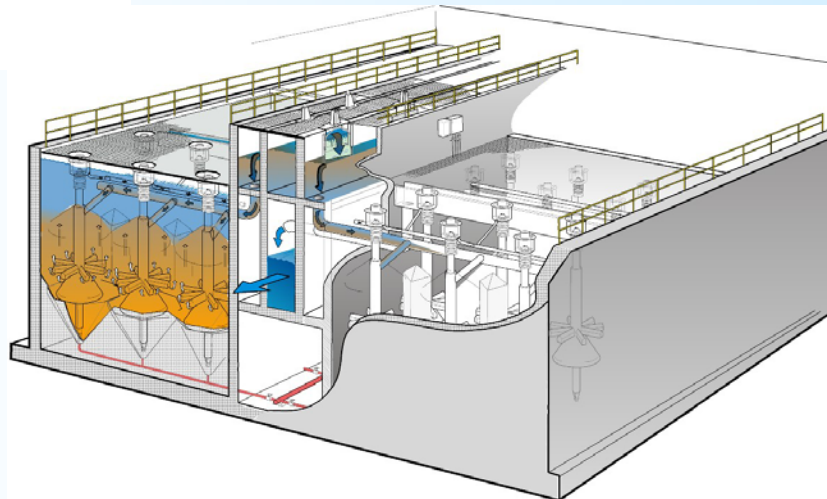
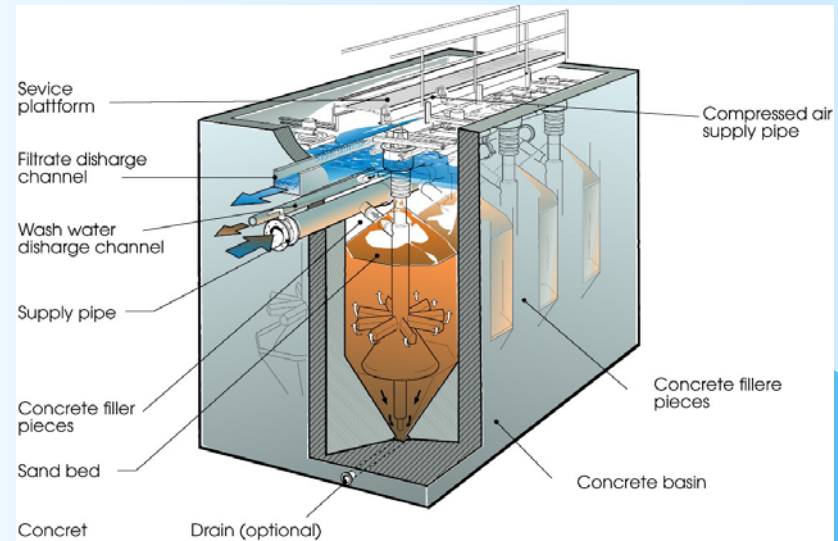
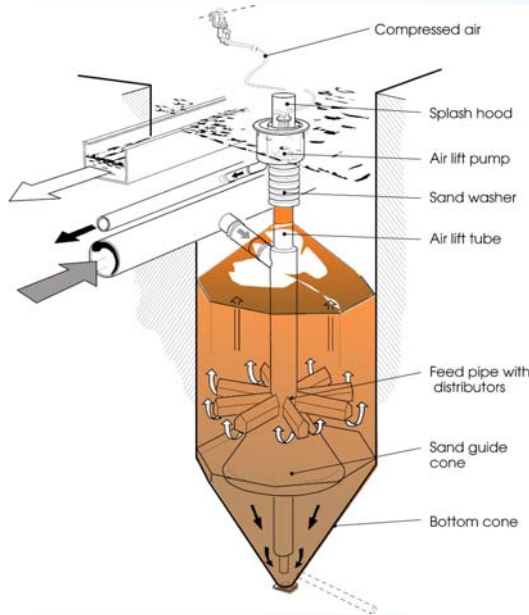
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## Final/Tertiary filtration

- Dimensioned for 80 000 pe and 20 000 pe of them from Industry.
- Design flow 1 500 m<sup>3</sup>/h.
- Maximum flow 3 000 m<sup>3</sup>/h
- Filtration area 300 m<sup>2</sup>.
- 60 pcs DynaSand DST 50D Concrete version, 6 basins and 10 filters in each basin.



# Växjö, Sundet WWTP, Sweden Final-/Tertiary- filtration



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## Final/Tertiary filtration

Primary settling → Biology → Secondary settling → **Filters**

### Outlet requirements / limit values:

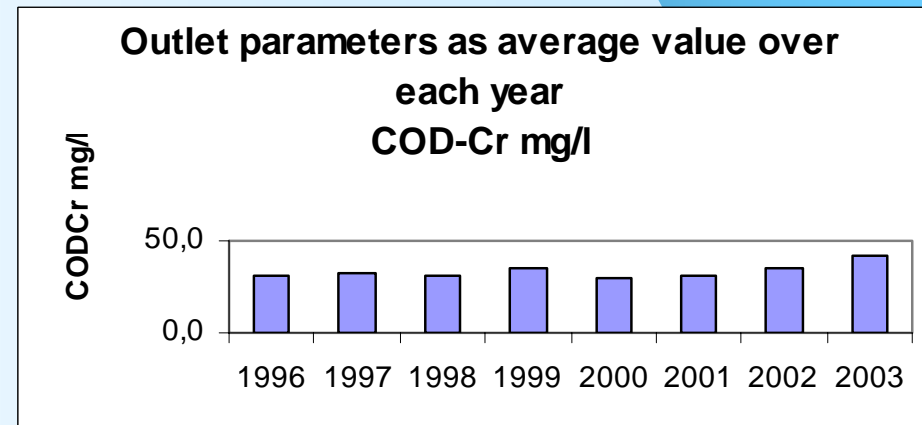
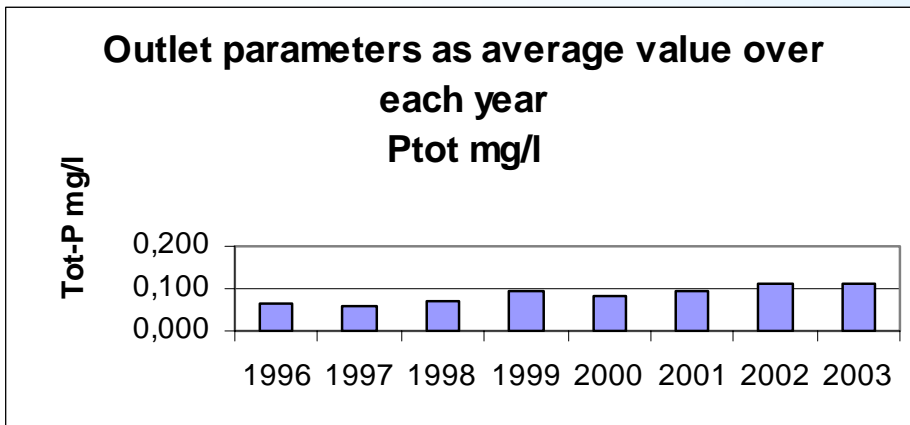
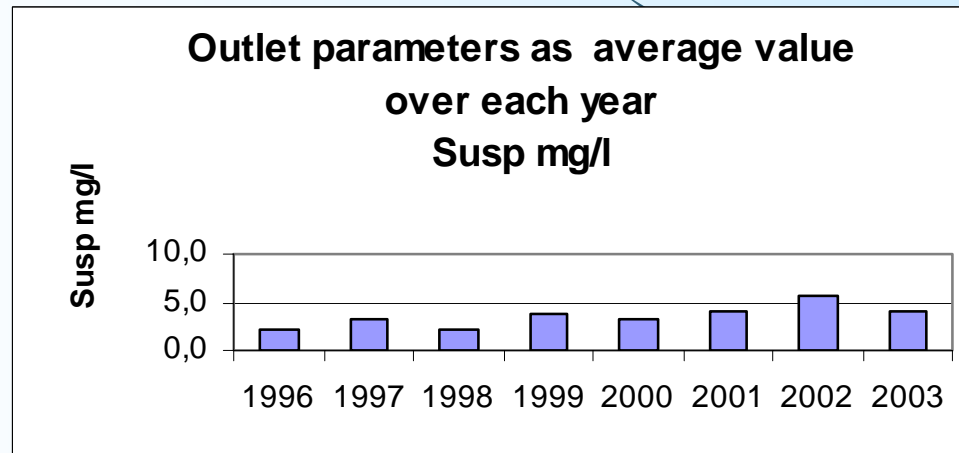
- BOD<sub>7</sub>            10        mg/l
- P<sub>tot</sub>                0,2        mg/l

### Process guarantees:

- Susp.                <8        mg/l

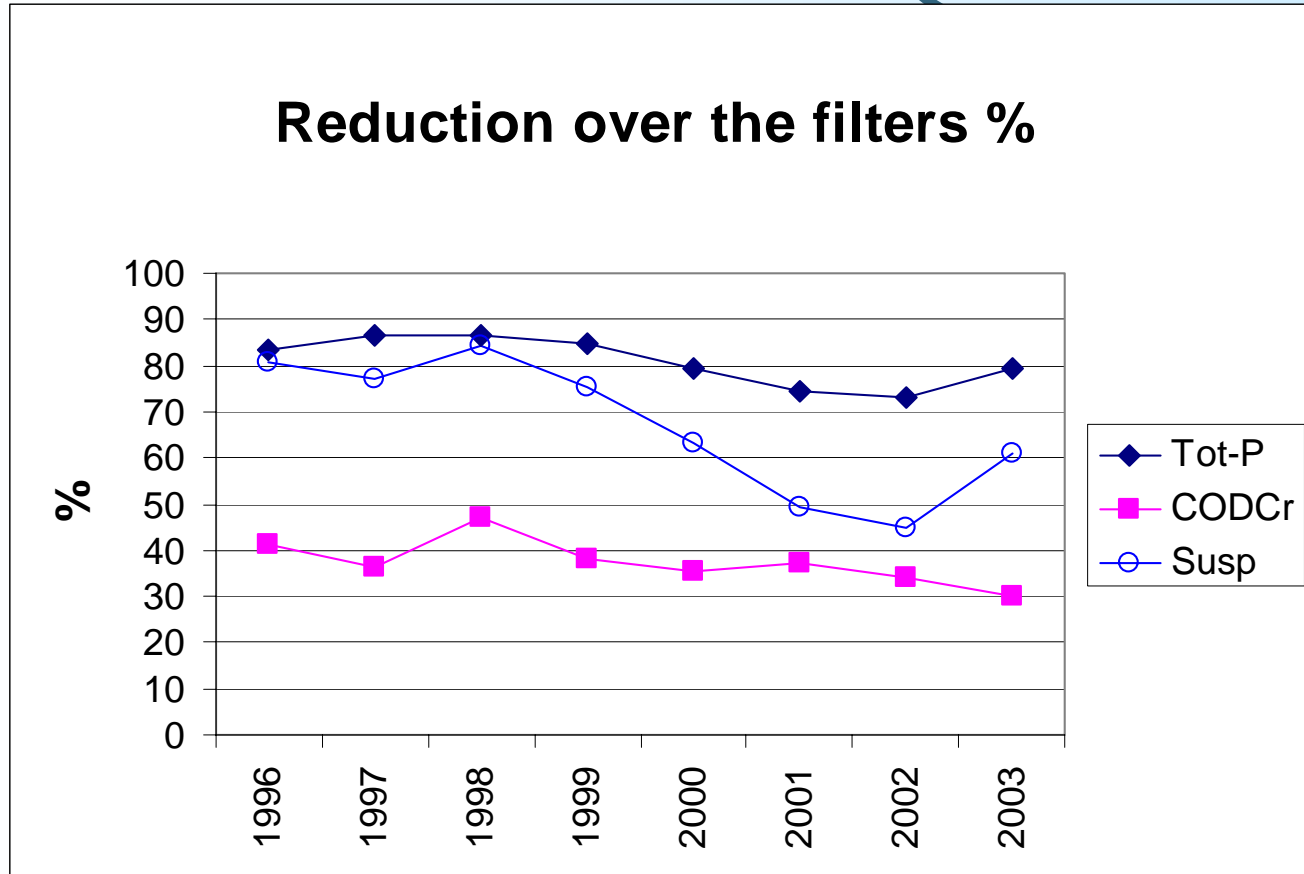
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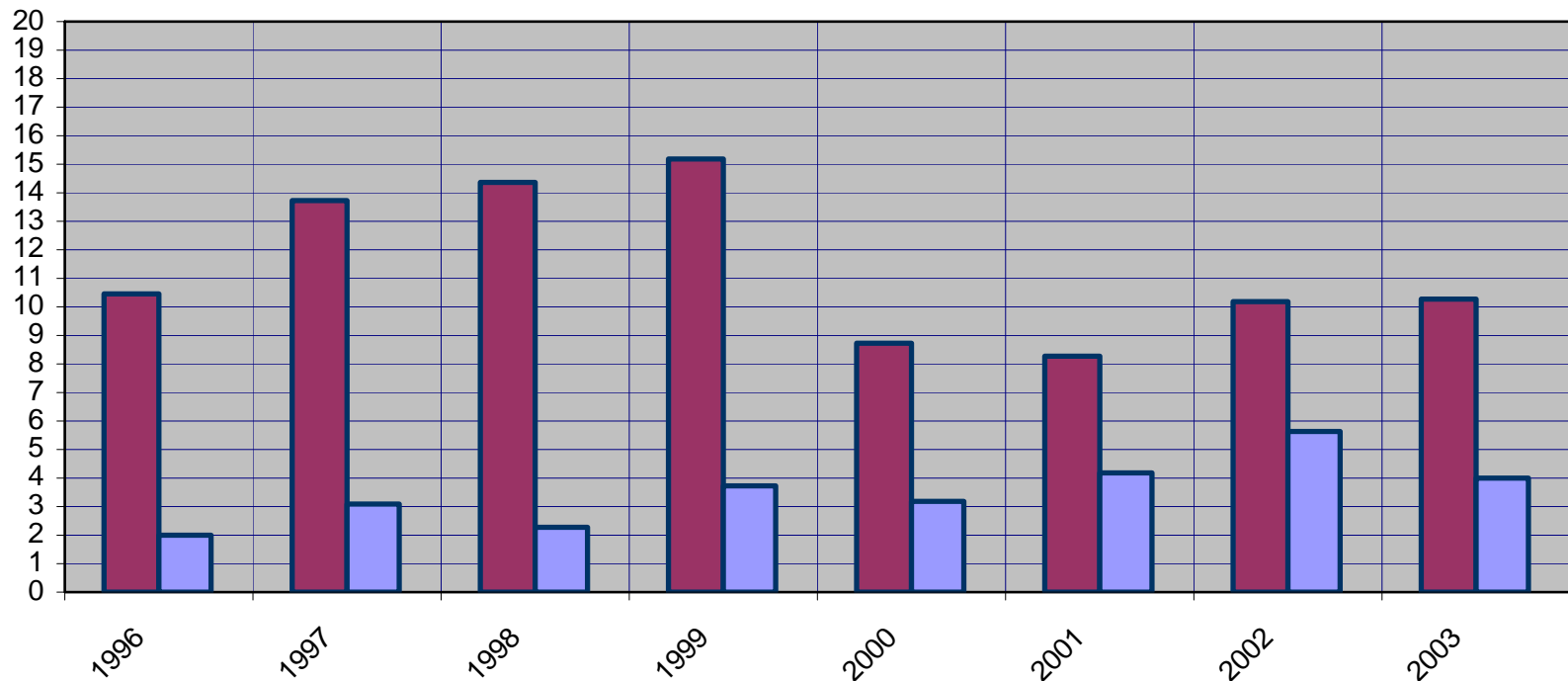


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## Final/Tertiary filtration

SUSPENDED SOLIDS mg/l

Inlet to DynaSand filters / Outlet from the DynaSand filters over the year 1996 - 2003

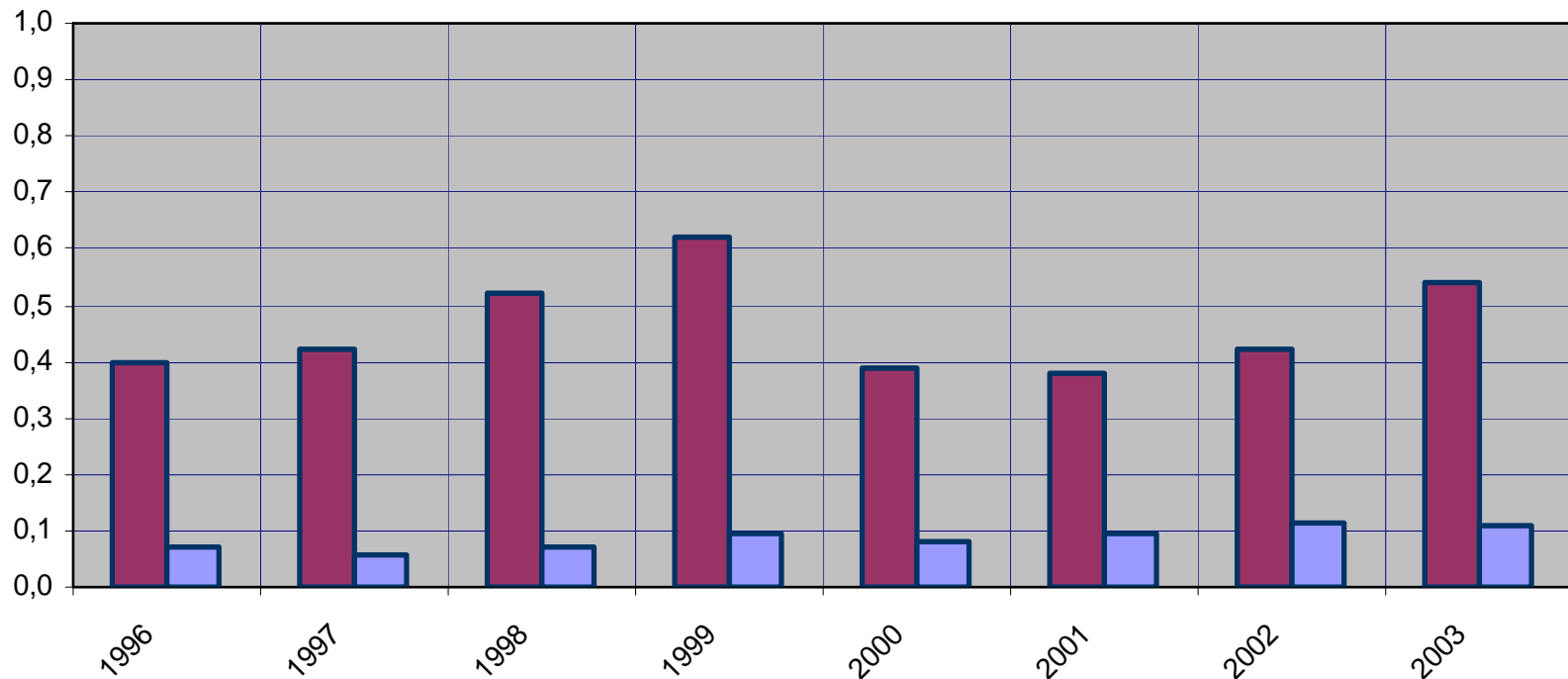


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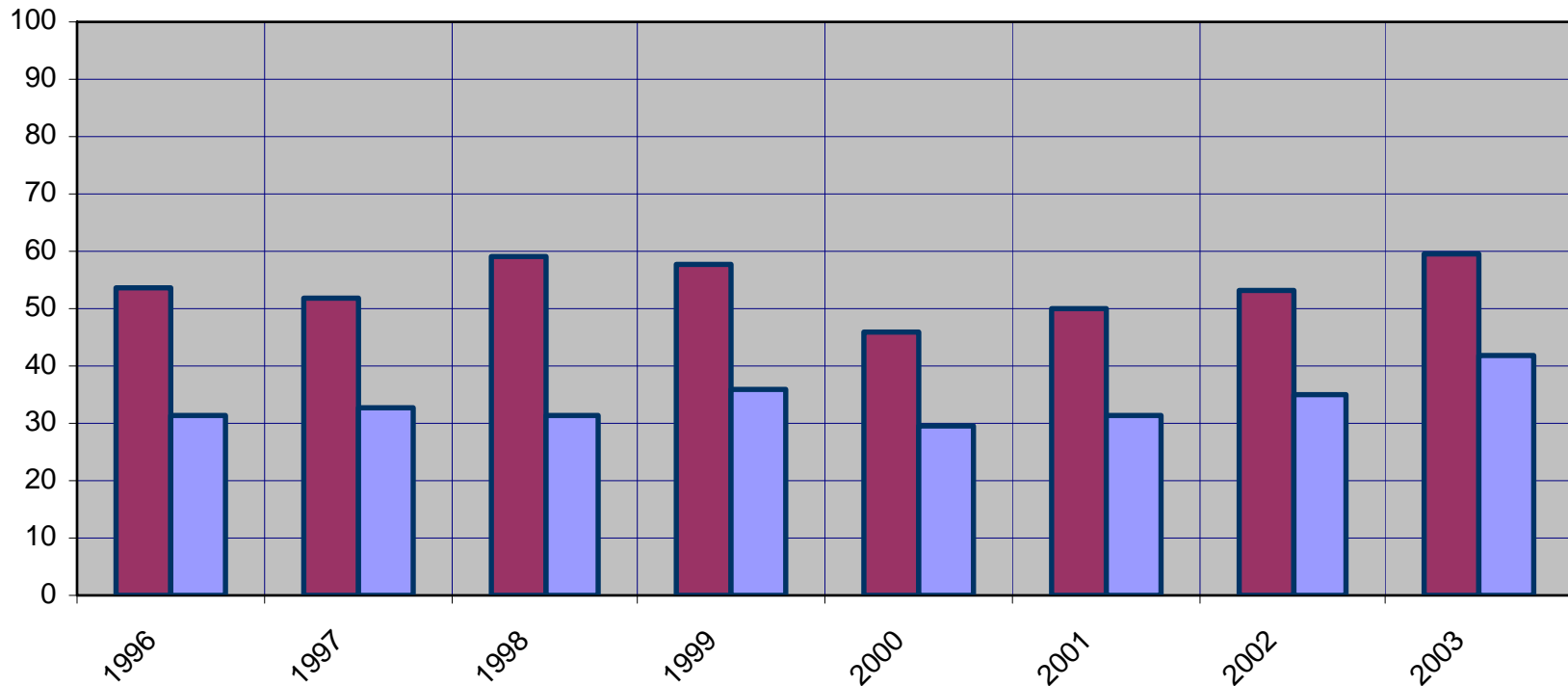


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## Final/Tertiary filtration

COD<sub>Cr</sub> mg/l

Inlet to DynaSand filters / Outlet from the DynaSand filters over the year 1996 - 2003



# What is happening today?

- **Saudi Arabia**

- The Worlds largest continuous filtration plant, -DynaSand, are under construction installed in filtration of municipal waste water for irrigation use.

- Three installations in total each with 216 filter units installed in concrete version.

- Our representative in Saudi Arabia are Metito –Arab Industries Ltd

- **Biological filter**

- Nitrification/denitrification and BOD-reduction in Germany, Great Britain and Norway

# Thank you for your attention!



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