



Bio sulphuric acid as a potential fungicide and/or herbicide

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I. Colsen - introduction

Bullet points:



- Consultancy agency and construction & engineering Company in the water, energy and environment sectors www.colsen.nl
- ~30 years of experience
- Products:
- Nitrogen recovery and removal from wastewater,
- Phosphorus recovery,
- Biogas production (TD, UASB),
- Biogas treatment

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Colsen Water, energy & environment

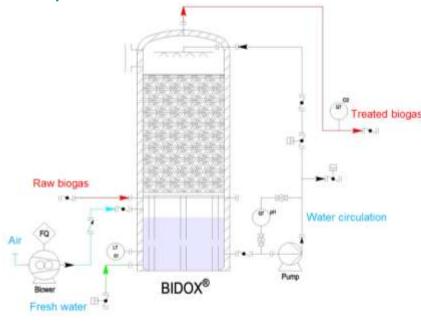
II. Biogas treatment – genesis of the idea

BIDOX*-> **Bi**ological biogas **D**esulphurization by **Ox**idation









$$H_2S + 2O_2 \rightarrow SO_4^{2-} + 2H^+$$

Flush water -> diluted bio-sulphuric acid (pH ~ 1.5) with traces of elemental sulphur

III. Sulphur in Biogas into a valuable product



BIDOX® has a huge market:

⇒Anaerobic wastewater treatment (UASB)

⇒Potato's industry

⇒ Paper industry

⇒Slaughterhouses

⇒Dairy industry

⇒Fruit & vegetables industry

⇒...

- ⇒Thermophilic digestion of industrial organics
- ⇒Thermophilic digestion & co-digestion of manure
- ⇒Thermophilic sludge digestion
- ⇒Landfill gas

The Netherlands	9
Belgium	2
Spain	2
Itali	2
USA	3
UK	1
Cech Republic	1
Totaal	20



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What =>

BIDOX® bio-sulphuric acid possible application as herbicide/pesticide/fungicide... **Potential in NI:**

Potential in NI: 7610 m³ of diluted bio-H₂SO₄/day => 2,7 million m³/year

Why => (ordinary) H_2SO_4 was used in the past (and it was working)

- Strong pH shift shows fungicides and weed suppression potential
- Systemic products for fungicides and weed control (glyphosate based) need an alternative

Where are we =>

Beginning of the research process, new partners are more than welcome...



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