

Practical implementation of true on-site water recycling systems for hand washing and toilet flushing

Supplementary Information

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Supplementary information 1: Nutrient-supplemented soap

Table S1. Composition of the soap used in the field test. The strategy to add nutrients is described in Ziemba et al. (2018) with only 30% of the suggested nutrients added (based on laboratory testing). Prior to use, the soap was diluted 10x in a foaming soap dispenser.

Nutrient	Compound	Recipe g/L
C	SDS	140
C	Glycerol	50
C	Lactic acid	0.72
	NaCl	10
N	NH ₄ NO ₃	12.3
N	NaNO ₃	13.1
P	HNa ₂ O ₄ P·2H ₂ O	9.3
S	Na ₂ SO ₄	
K	KCl	1.0
Mg	Cl ₂ Mg·6H ₂ O	2.3
Ca	CaCl ₂	1.5
Fe	Cl ₂ Fe·4H ₂ O	1.0
Mn	MnSO ₄ ·H ₂ O	0.003
Cu	CuCl ₂ ·2H ₂ O	0.005
Zn	ZnCl ₂	0.009
Mo	MoCl ₅	0.0004
Co	Cl ₂ Co·6H ₂ O	0.0006

Supplementary information 2: Photographs

P1: Hand Washing Station Zurich



P2: Hand Washing Station Durban



P3: Toilet System Durban



Figure S2. Photographs of the prototypes. P1 (blue) was located next to existing composting toilet facilities. P2 was installed below a shed off the main road. P3 (back) was standing behind an existing dry toilet facility.

Supplementary information 3: Water quality monitoring

Table S3. Overview of spectrophotometric test kits used for water quality monitoring

Parameter	Method
Chemical water composition	
Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	P2, P3: Spectrophotometry, COD 0-1500 mg/l, Spectroquant, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany
Ammonium	P1: Spectrophotometry, LCK 304, Hach, Loveland, USA
Nitrite	P2, P3: Spectrophotometry, Ammonium 0.01-2 mg/l, Spectroquant, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany
Nitrate	P2, P3: Spectrophotometry, Nitrite 0.002-1 mg/l, Spectroquant, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany
Total nitrogen	P2, P3: Spectrophotometry, Nitrate 0.002-1 mg/l, Spectroquant, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany
Chloride	P2, P3: Spectrophotometry, Total nitrogen 0.5-15 mg/l, Spectroquant, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany
Phosphate	P2, P3: Spectrophotometry, Chloride 0.1-25 mg/l, Spectroquant, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany

Supplementary information 4: Water recycling rate for P1

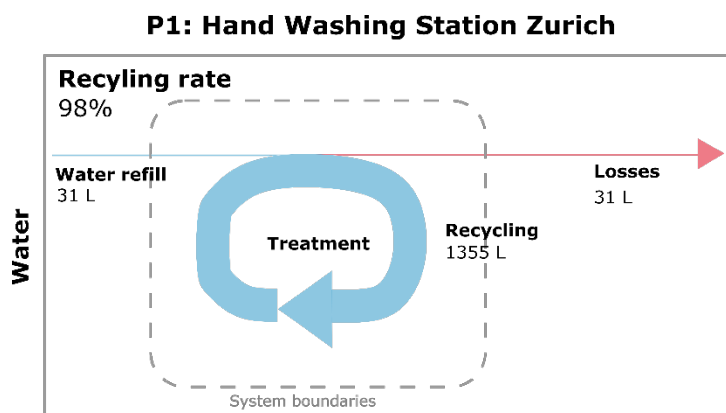


Figure S4. Sankey diagram with water recycling rate and water volume flows for the overall testing period between the start and the end of the field trials in P1.

Supplementary information 5: Specifications on wastewater reuse

Table S5. Overview of several specifications on wastewater reuse for toilet flushing and/or hand washing. HWS: hand washing station (treating greywater). ITS: integrated toilet system (treating toilet flush water after urine and solids separation). ND: not determined. CFU: colony-forming unit. MPN: most probable number. PFU: plate-forming unit. min, max, med, geom: minimum, maximum, median, geometric mean. wk, mon, ann: weekly, monthly, annual.

Publishing organization	ISO	State Water Resources Control Board	US EPA											WHO	Environmental Health Directorate	Ministry of Health	Ministry of the Environment and Rural and Marine Affairs	Ministry of the Environment and the Protection of the Territory	State Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine	Environmental field testing platform
Document	ISO 30500: Non-Sewered Sanitation Systems – Prefabricated Integrated Treatment Units – General Safety and Performance Requirements for Design and	Regulations Related to Recycled Water (Title 22)	Guidelines for Water Reuse											Guidelines for Drinking-Water Quality	Code of Practice for the Reuse of Greywater: Guidelines for the Non-potable uses of recycled water	Canadian Guidelines for Domestic Reclaimed Water for Use in Toilet and Urinal Flushing	RD 1620/2007: Spanish Regulations for Water Reuse	DM 185/2003: Regulation Containing Technical Rules for the Reuse of Wastewater	Municipal Wastewater Recycling: Water Quality Standards for Urban Water Consumption (mic.)	Standard for Water to be Recycled as Flushwater from Prototypes on the EFT
Year	2018	2018	2012											2011	2010	2010	2007	2003	2002	2019
Country/State	International	USA, California	USA, Arizona	USA, California	USA, Florida	USA, Hawaii	USA, Nevada	USA, New Jersey	USA, North Carolina	USA, Texas	USA, Virginia	USA, Washington	Recommendation of EPA	International	Australia, Western Australia	Canada	Spain	Italy	China	South Africa
Water source	Wastewater	Wastewater	General Wastewater											Drinking Water	Greywater	Wastewater	Wastewater	Wastewater	Wastewater	
Water source – AUTARKY	HWS + ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS	HWS+ITS
Reuse purpose	ITS	Toilet flushing	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse	Unrestricted urban reuse
Reuse purpose – AUTARKY	HWS + ITS	ITS	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)	ITS (HWS unclear)
Chemical water composition	Chemical oxygen demand COD (mg/L)	<= 50																		
Biological oxygen demand after 5 days BOD5 (mg/L)																				
Total organic carbon TOC (mg/L)																				
Total nitrogen (mgN/L or removal)	70% removal																			
Ammonium (mgN/L)																				
Total phosphorus (mgP/L or removal)	80% removal																			
Chlorides (mg/L)	6.9																			
Hygiene	Residual chlorine (mg/L)																			
E.coli (MPN or CFU/100mL)	<= 1 CFU >= 6 LRV																			
Fecal coliforms (MPN or CFU/100mL)																				
Total coliforms (MPN or CFU/100mL)																				
Coliphage MS2 (PFU/100mL, LRV)	<= 1 >= 7 LRV																			
Appearance	Colour (PCU)																			
Turbidity (NTU)	<= 2 (daily avg) <= 5 (5% of day) <= 10 (max)																			
Total suspended solids TSS (mg/L)	<= 10																			

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