SMART-Treat[™] Applications

Originally developed in Norway, the Moving Bed Biological Reactor (MBBR) process is marketed worldwide. Environmental/Health Products and Service worked with Dr. Bjorn Rusten of Aquateam-Norway during the late 1990s to develop a version of the process for small flows of 100,000 GPD or less, now marketed in the US as the SMART-Treat™ On-Site system.

SMART-Treat is especially suited for highstrength waste streams as it provides a large surface area for treatment within a small footprint. These high-strength waste applications include:

- >> Restaurants
- Convenience stores and truck stops
- >> Industrial pretreatment systems

Other prime applications include:

- >> Single-family homes
- >> Mobile home parks
- >> Condominiums and apartment complexes
- >> Cluster homes in subdivisions and similar applications

With its proven efficiency, this small-flow, fixed-film wastewater treatment process is ideal for upgrading activated sludge or fixed-film systems.

Among the system's many operational advantages, the SMART-Treat MBBR system is:

- » Economical
- >> Reliable
- >> Easy to install and operate
- >> Compact
- » Highly flexible with regard to influent hydraulic and organic loads
- » Easily integrated into a variety of different stages of infrastructure development to treat domestic, industrial or combined flow

The flexible, versatile treatment system

- » A huge microbe surface area in a small footprint
- » Custom combinations of tank sizing, biological surface area and air delivery to achieve specific treatment levels
- >> Can be shipped fully assembled for immediate installation on site
- >> Versatility in sizing: ability to expand treatment capacity by simply adding more surface area into the tank — in minutes!

LARGE CAPACITY SMALL FOOTPRINT

It's wastewater treatment evolved.



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SMART-Treat[™] MBBR

Moving Bed Bio-Reactor for Small Flow and On-Site Wastewater Treatment



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System Components

- >> Primary treatment: typical septic tank (and grease interceptor when needed) for primary solids separation. Surge flow equalization when needed.
- >> Aerobic reactor tankage, single or multiple stages dependent on effluent goals.
 - » Up to 70% denitrification is achieved with recirculation and blower sequencing.
 - » Total nitrogen below 10-15 mg/l is achieved with specific engineering techniques.
- >> Secondary (biological) solids separation and UV disinfection, if needed.

Process Components

Aerobic

- >> Biofilm carriers
- >> Aeration system
- >> Retention sieves

Anoxic

- >> Biofilm carriers
- >> Mechanical mixers
- >> Retention sieves

VARIATIONS OF MAIN COMPONENTS







Biofilm Carrier Elements

Aeration Grids

Carrier Retention Screens

Innovative Operation

The SMART-Treat[™] system uses an innovative combination of aeration and mechanical mixing inside wastewater tankage with small biofilm carrier elements to grow bacteria and treat wastewater flows.

The process at a glance:

- » Buoyant carrier elements are placed in a tank(s) in sufficient volume to match the treatment requirement
- >> Compressed air is delivered to a header system near the bottom of the tank
- >> A biofilm grows on the carrier elements
- >> The biofilm carrier elements move at random throughout the aerobic reactor tank
- » As air passes through the water and past the media, the wastes in the water act as food for the microbes growing on the moving media
- >> The carrier elements are self-cleaning
- >> A retention screen is placed at the outlet of the reactor to keep the biofilm elements in the reactor
- >> Cleaned water is discharged while settled biological solids are occasionally returned to the primary solids separation zone (septic tank) for routine disposal with primary settled solids

Small Moving Media Aerobic Reactor Treatment

EXAMPLE INSTALLATION

RESTAURANT UPDATE

- >> Installed fall of 2013
- >> Single tank update
- » Design flow 2600 GPD, influent 1300 mg/L BOD / 645 mg/L TSS
- >> Design effluent 170 mg/L BOD / 60 mg/L TSS



EXAMPLE INSTALLATION

GOLF & SUPPER CLUB

- >> Installed fall of 2001
- >> Design wastewater flow 4500 GPD
- >> Traditional septic tank was converted to active treatment via recirculation
- >> Organic load was approximately 75% of design; hydraulic load was widely variable at up to 60% of design

	Grease Trap Eff	Septic Tank Eff	Final	% Rem
BOD5 mg/l	1619	164	16.2	99.0
TSS mg/l	530	125	14.5	97.3
TKN mg/l	80.3	—	2.6	96.8
NH3-N mg/l	44.5	—	0.5	98.9
NO3-N mg/l	_	_	8.3 - 10.5	_
Temp –C	14.6	9.8	7.0	_
рН	5.3	6.9	7.1	_
DO mg/l	0.5	0.4	5.4	_