



Continual Flow Heat Treatment System for Container-based Toilets

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Traditional Waste Treatment is Expensive

Designed to minimize risk of disposing feces

- Little consideration for reuse or cost recovery
- Traditional waste treatment is expensive
- <5% waste treated before disposal¹

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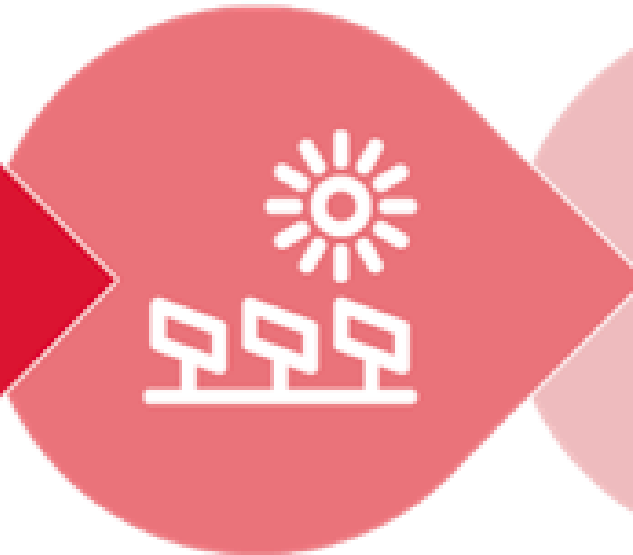
A Service Delivery Model Approach to FSM

Sanivation's Business Model

Sanitation service



Waste
treatment and
transformation



Charcoal briquettes



Original cost-effective solar design

A challenge to scale

Properties	Parabolic Design
Scalable	-
Replicable	+
Cost-effective	++



How to treat more waste?

Designing a system to alleviate disposal of untreated waste



- Design pilot system to treat waste for 500 pp/day



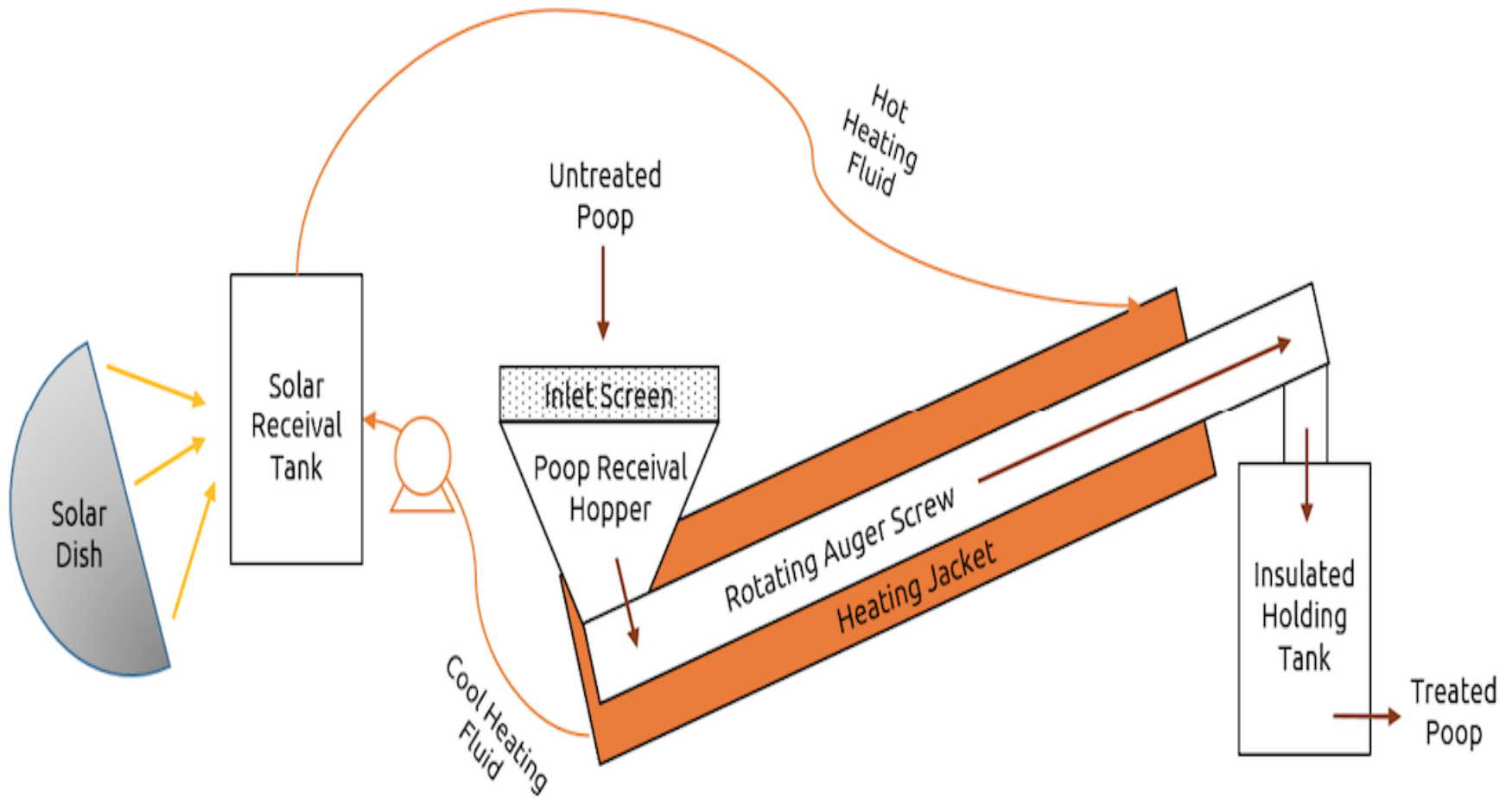
- Replicate system in Kakuma Refugee Camp



- Determine cost-effectiveness

Schematic of Continual Flow Heat Exchanger

An approach to a scalable system



Continual Flow Heat Exchanger in Naivasha

An approach to a scalable system



Containerized Continual Flow Heat Exchanger

An approach to a replicable system



Less than \$0.25 per person for treatment

An approach to a cost-effective system

	Old system	New Naivasha system	Kakuma system	Traditional WWTP
CapEx	\$0.60 ²	\$39	\$18	\$~8 ³
OpEx	\$0.10 ²	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$7 ³
Lifespan	2-3 years	5 years	5-10 years	30 years

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Where Do We Go From Here?

Next steps and recommendations

- Ongoing testing of microeffectiveness with CDC
- OpEx costs to be refined in the next few months
- Modifying system to take in alternative waste streams

The Power of Reuse Potential

Take-away message

- Waste treatment can be more cost and energy efficient when designed for reuse rather than disposal

