

**Chemical Free
Eco-friendly**

Ecological Purification System (EPS)

0. Introduction: Phytoplankton, Reservoir study, Meet Slow Sand Filter, Importance of Ecological point. JICA training
植物プランクトン、貯水池研究、緩速ろ過、生態学の視点、JICA研修へ



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1. Water cycle, Safe water, Acceptable risk.
水循環、安全な水、許容できるリスク

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5. From JICA training in Miyako-jima, Okinawa to Samoa
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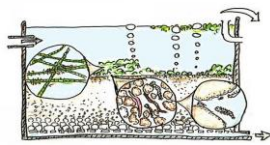
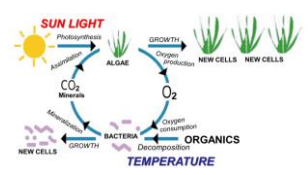
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3. Algae and animals in Slow Sand Filter.
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7. Aerobic condition is essential for EPS.
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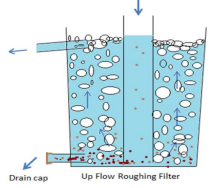
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4. Up-flow Roughing Filter to reduce SS
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8. Confirm by yourself. Don't believe commercial.
Trust your true sense. 自分で確かめよう。

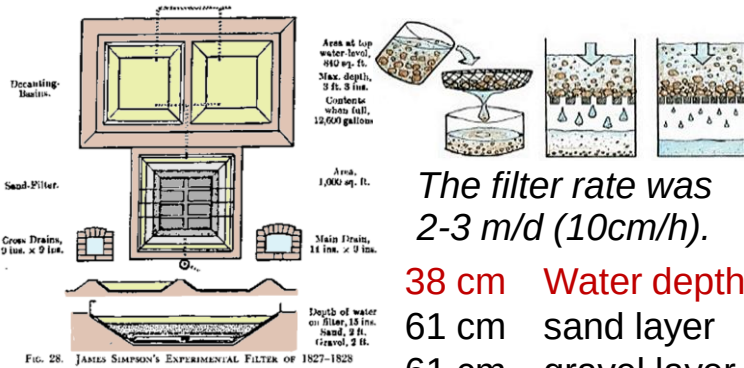
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JICA training in Hiroshima in July, 2024.

The name of **Slow Sand Filter** caused a misunderstanding of real mechanism.

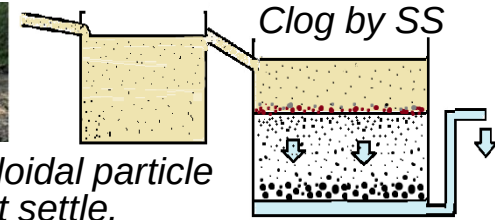


The filter rate was 2-3 m/d (10cm/h).

38 cm Water depth
61 cm sand layer
61 cm gravel layer

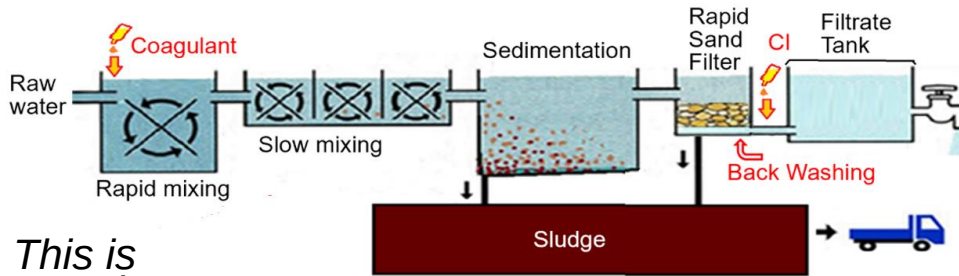
They believed **mechanical reduction** by **slow** filtration with **fine sand** in 200 years ago. They called **Slow Sand Filter**.

SSF spread to USA.



Biological activity is weak in winter.

Odor and filter clog problem caused by algae in case of RSF.



This is American Commercial Filter.

People loves new technology.

RSF spread to the world.



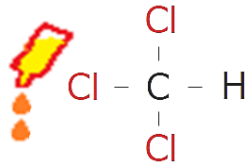
Back washing



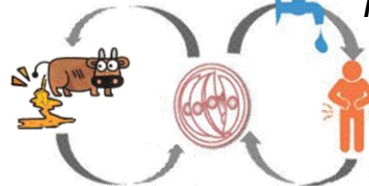
The diarrhea-causing crypt parasites passed through the backwashing process of the rapid sand filtration.

Refocus to SSF.

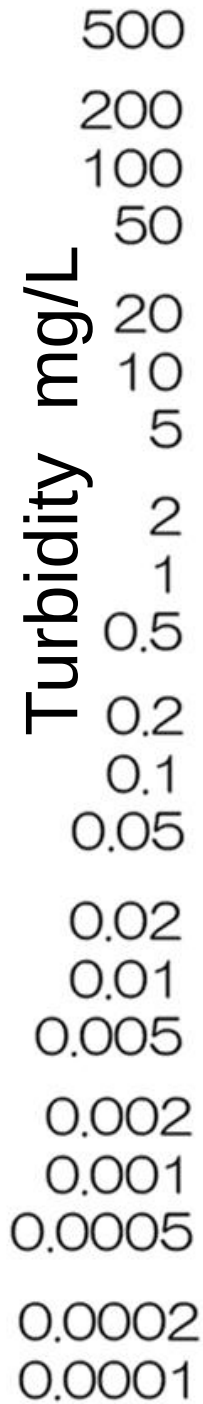
IS THE WATER SAFE TO DRINK?



That was Chlorine compound.
Cancer Risk



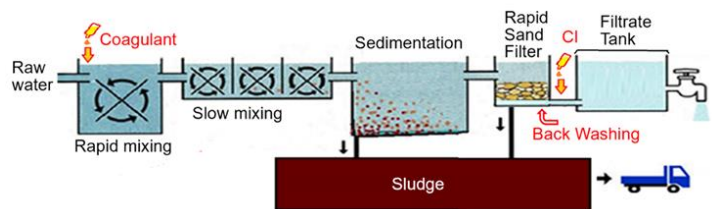
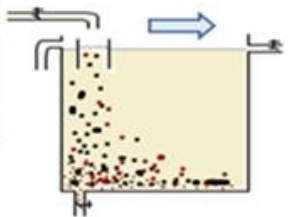
Turbidity mg/L



Storm event



Major turbid matter in mountain stream is easily set within several hours.



Coagulant + Chlorine
Rapid Sand Filter

SS passes by
backwash.

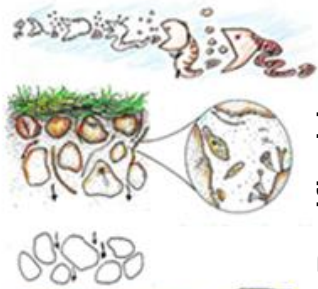
2 degrees
Jap. standard

After Crypto
outbreak.

Recommended
to 0.1 degrees



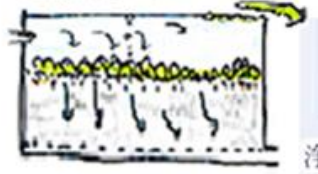
Chlorination
is essential.



Purified by small
organisms

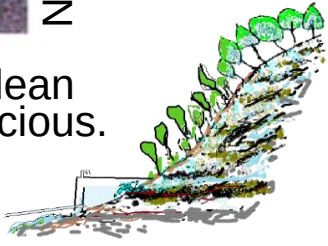


Natural spring



Super clean
and delicious.

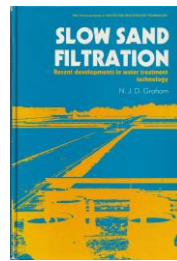
Artificial Natural spring water



Down flow and Up-flow
Roughing Filter test
(Master student report):
Luiz Di Bernardo 1980,
Univ. São Paulo, Brazil



1988



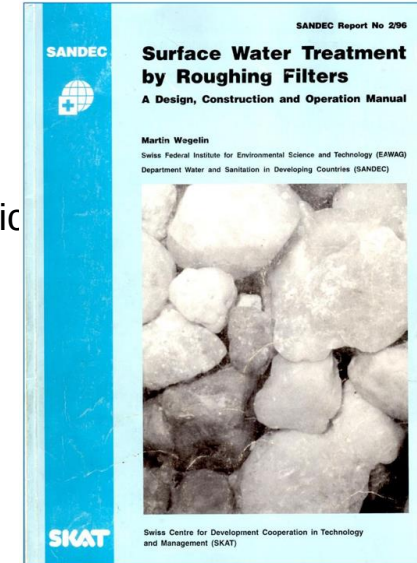
International pilot experiments in Columbia,
(IRC : Holland), Peru, Brazil, UK, Switzerland
etc.



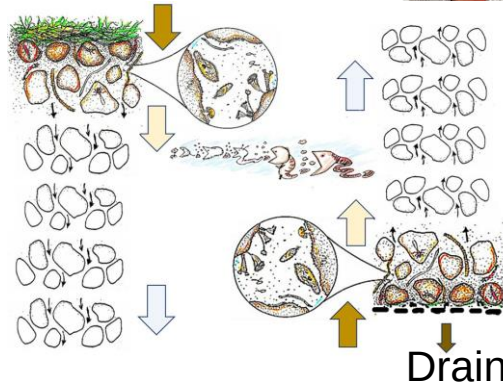
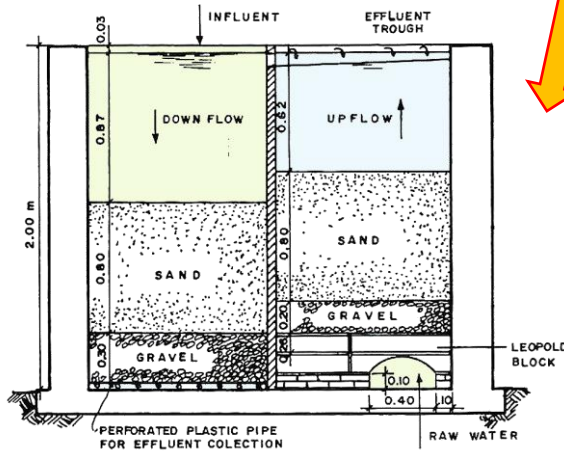
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Martin Wegelin

Swiss Federal
Institute of Aquatic
Science and
Technology

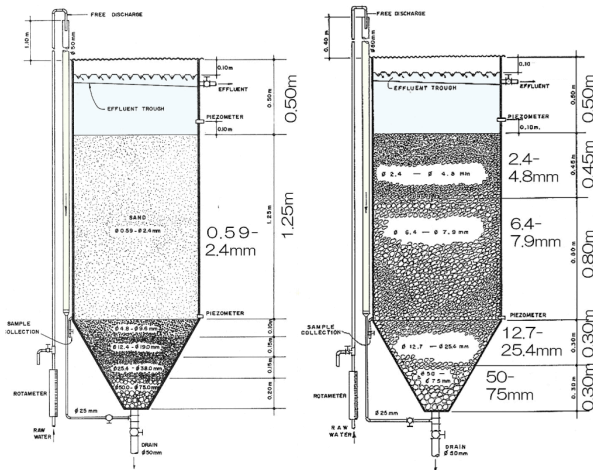


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Down-Flow and Up-Flow

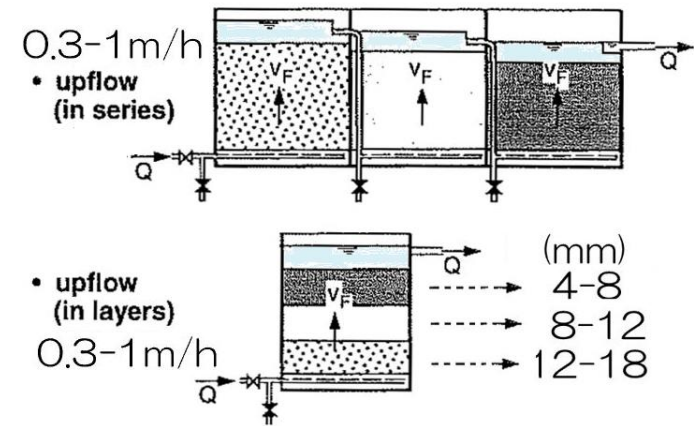
Down-Flow and Up-Flow



Sand URF and Gravel URF



Nakamoto was a JICA
advisor of the control of a
reservoir ecosystem to
São Paulo Univ. and
Federal Univ. of São
Carlos in 1974 and 1976.



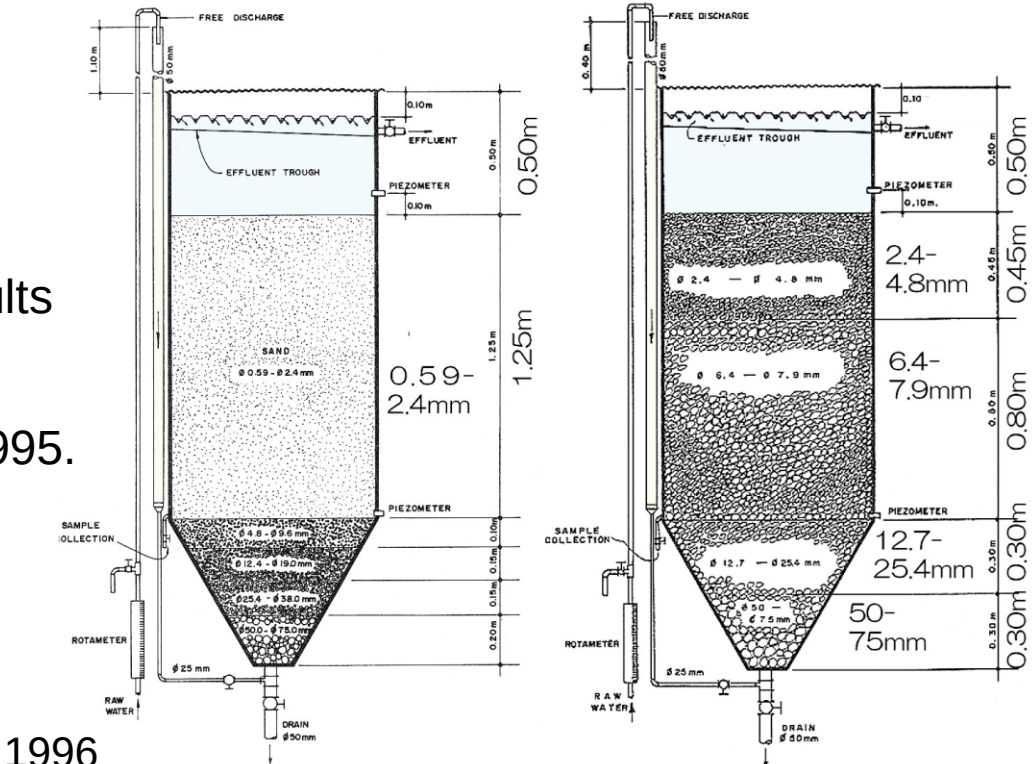
They believe the main action is
based by mechanical reduction.



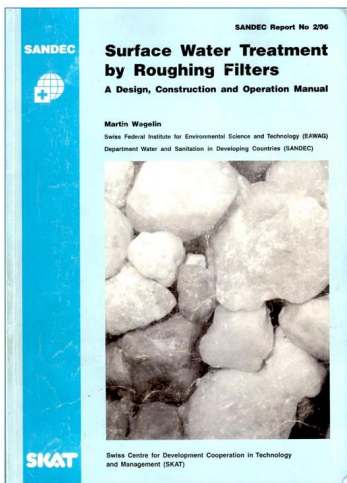
Luiz Di Bernardo examined chemical free roughing filter from 1980 in Brazil.

He reported the results in 1988, in London.

I visited São Carlos, Brazil in Aug. 1995. He still examined URF.



1996



I examined URF with students from 1996, I noticed a large contribution of biological action in URF.

Multiple Roughing Filters to eliminate SS from an irrigation canal water.



Effect of open filter and covered filter.



W. K. Burton **1894**
“The Water Supply of
Towns and the
Construction of
Waterworks”

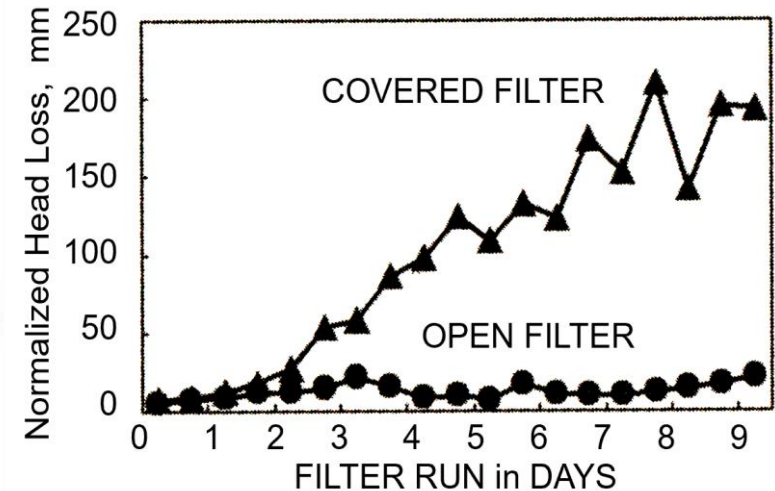
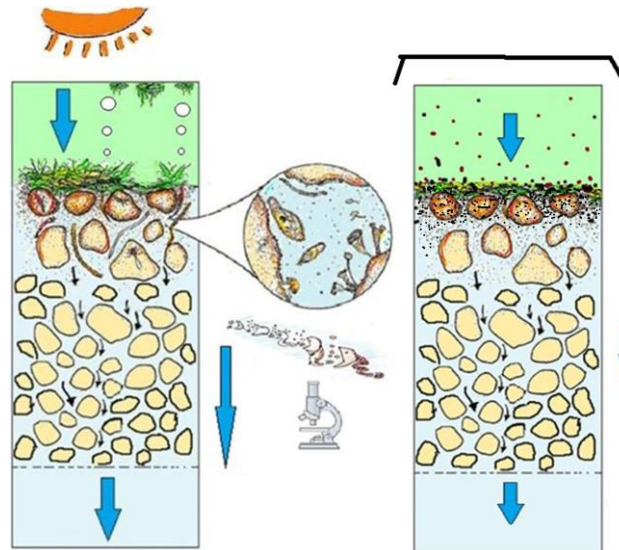


Berlin wks
discovered that
covered filters are
much less efficient
than open.

➡ **Open is better.**

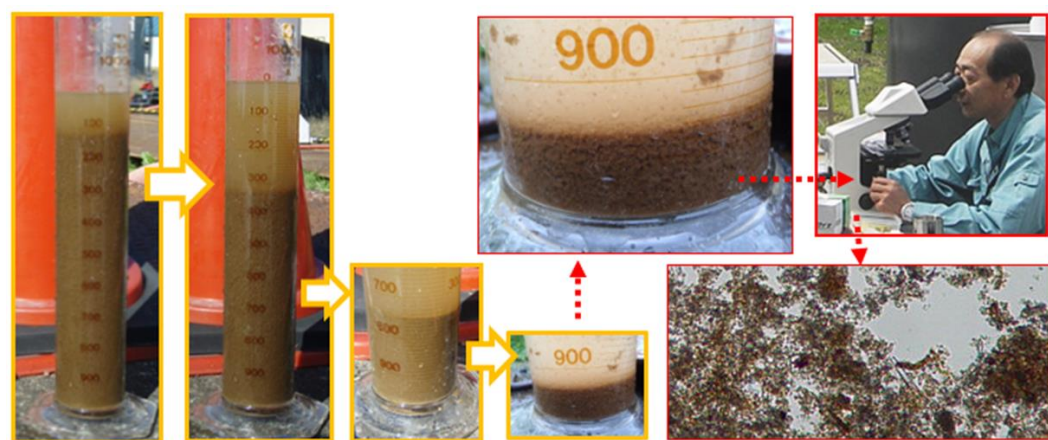
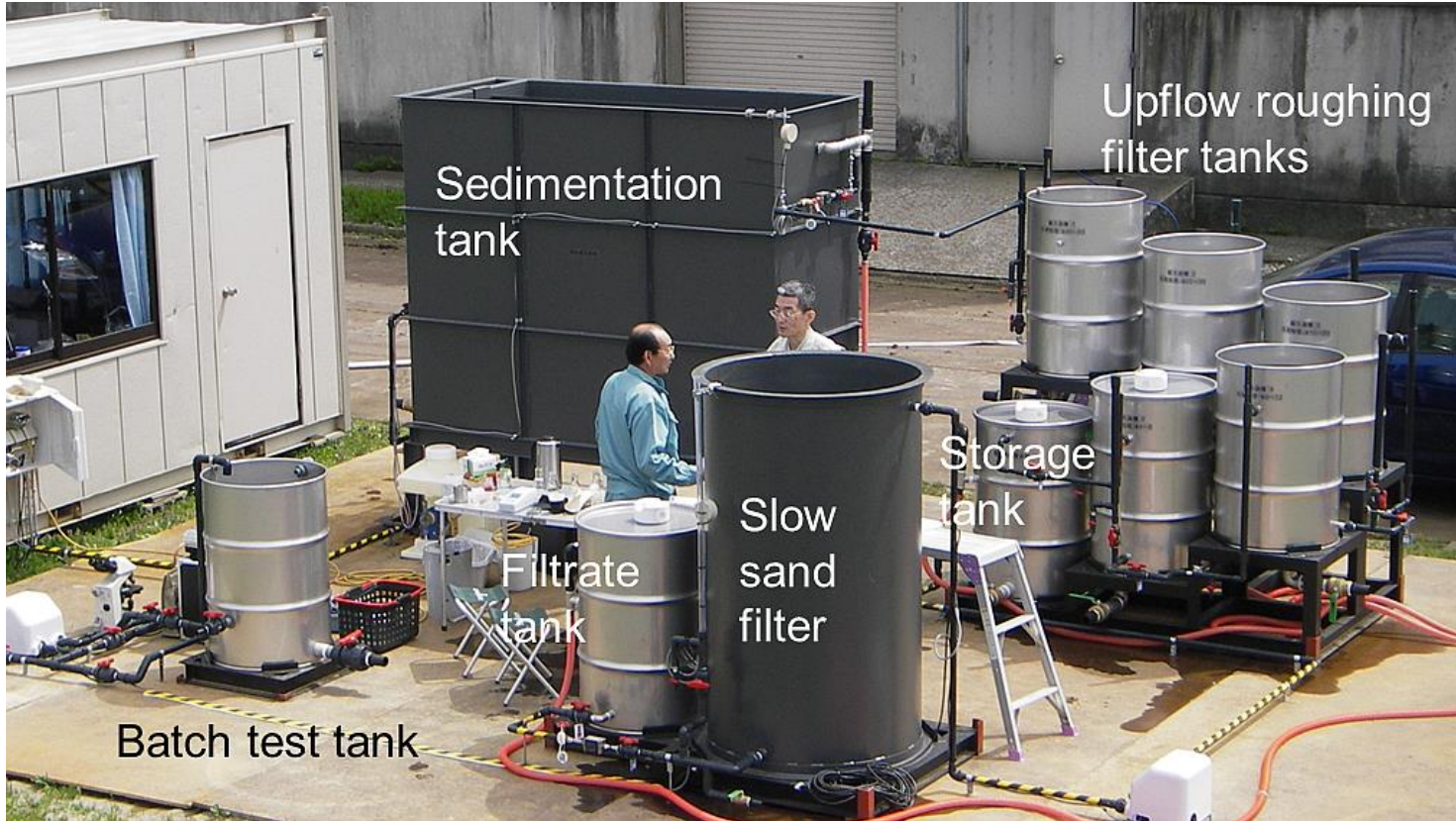
**We confirmed the
role of algae in EPS.**

Filter resistance (NHL) of Open filter was almost constant.
But the resistance of Covered filter increased almost every day.



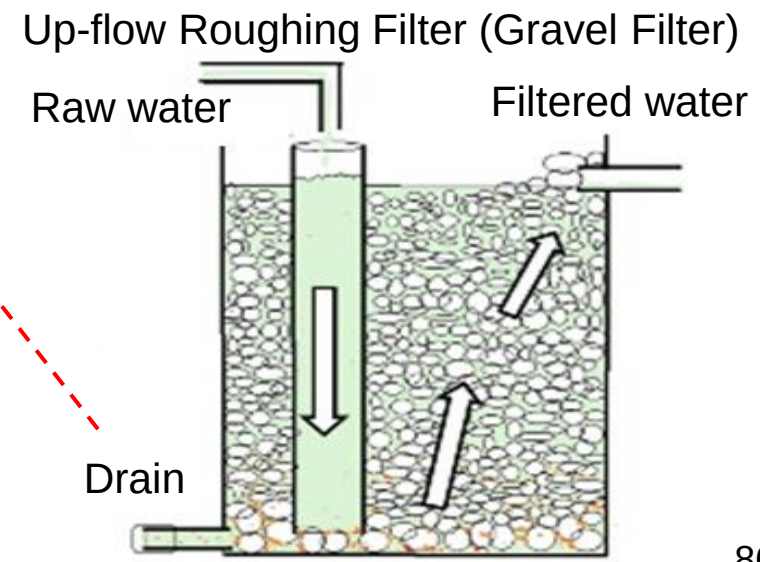
Algal growth under sunshine. ➡ Increase grazing animal. ➡

They search for food, make holes, and do not increase the resistance of the water.



Drained sludge from URF settled Quickly.

Coagulated particles like a activated sludge.



In Japan, river water is usually clear and small amount of water.

After heavy storm event, river water becomes dirty and rapidly increases.



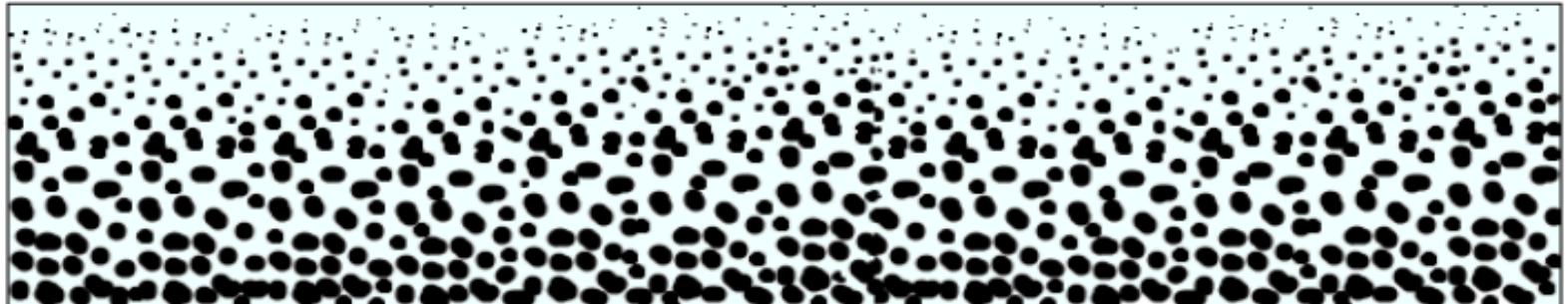
Clear and suspended free water from spring is found in a flood plain.



Light and small particle which is not easily settled.

Flood water is dirty. There is huge amount of soil matter from land surface.

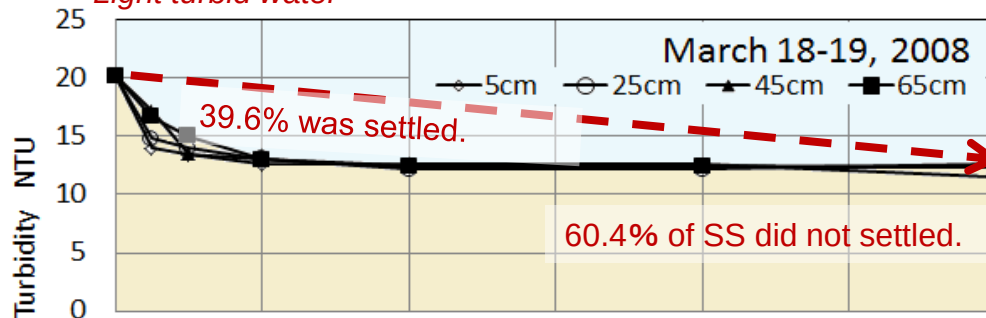
A large amount of heavy and large particles in a storm water.



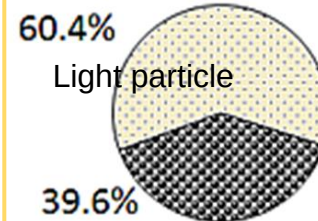


There were extremely small particles like as colloidal particles in case of small turbidity, like as less than 20 NTU. The rapid settling of turbid matters was observed **within 4 hrs.** However, a large portion of turbidity did not decrease.

Light turbid water

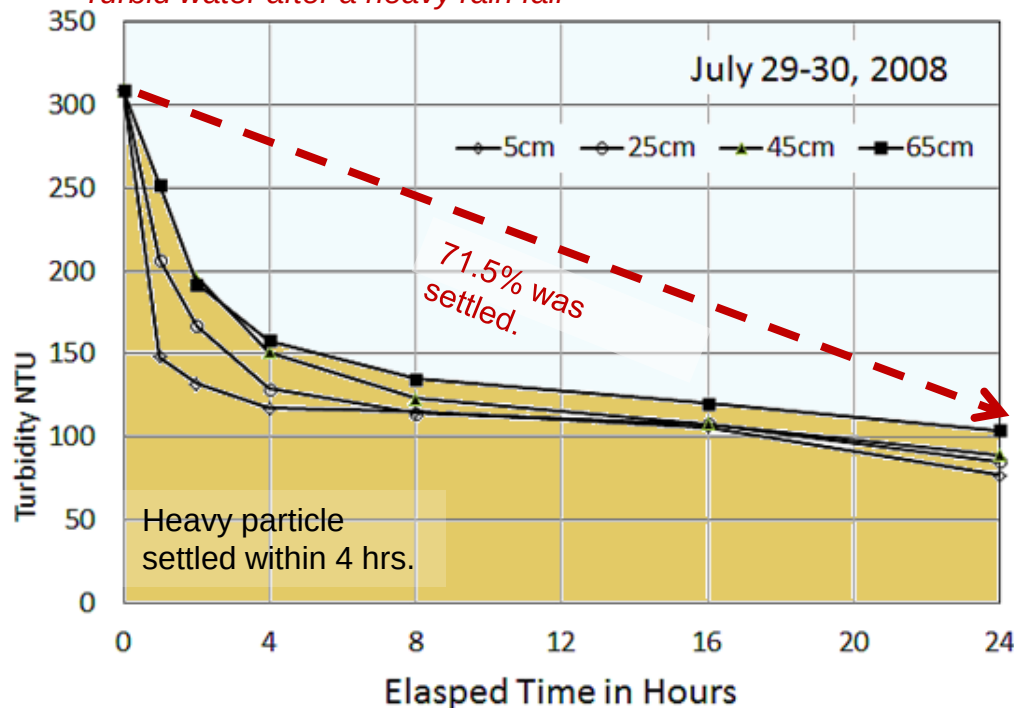


20 NTU water

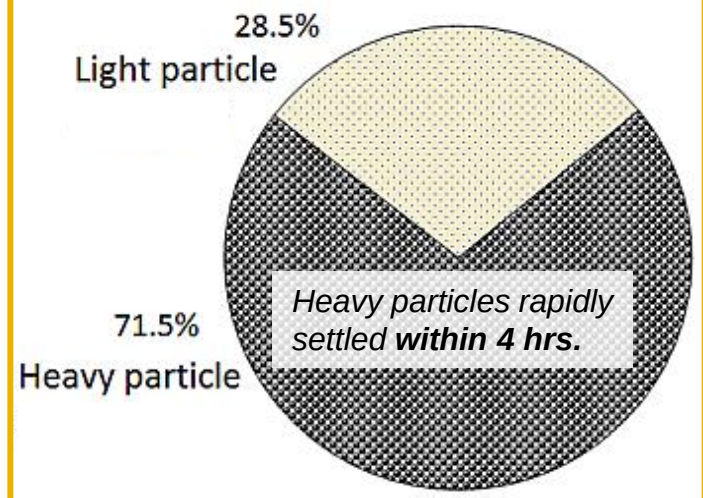


Light turbid water: small turbidity, a large portion of light particle.

Turbid water after a heavy rain fall



In case of turbid water, a large portion was heavy particles.



4 hrs. settling is enough.

OISCA (The Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement-International)

OISCA has started working on the idea that EPS, which applies natural mechanisms, can produce safe drinking water without relying on others.



There are sedimentation tank, 4 gravel filters, and slow sand filter. Polluted water turns to safe and reliable water quality.

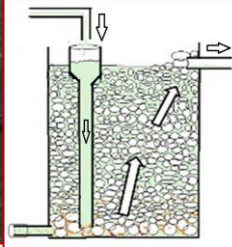
Polluted water from River Kanda, Tokyo is pumped up in 2005.

No detection of coli-form bacteria, lead, herbicides of Atrazine and Simazine. Nitrate N concentration : 2.0 mg/L, Nitrite N: 0 mg/L, pH8.5, total hardness: 250 mg/L and residual chlorine 0 mg/L.



OISCA Tokyo:
polluted water
→EPS
→ safe water

2005



I advised
URF to him.

Sri Lank: three Up flow-Roughing Filters → sand filter → safe drinking water (300 liters / day). This water is the demand of safe drinking and cooking water for 5-6 families.



2006

Mandalay, Myanmar: Pond → settling tank → 3 Up-flow Roughing Filters
→ Sand Filter → safe drinking water.



2018

2018.07.21

Try it ! First, check it yourself without getting any subsidies.

Three points worth to remember

1. Knowing is NOT enough, we must APPLY it to something useful.
2. Willingness is NOT enough, we must PUT it into the PLAN and ACTION.
3. Putting the PLAN into action is NOT enough, we must ACCOMPLISH the goals.

OISCA International

Niko-San participated OISCA training in Fukuoka, Japan, in **2007** during 1 year. He remember my work on Ecological Purification System.

Yoshiko Y. Nakano

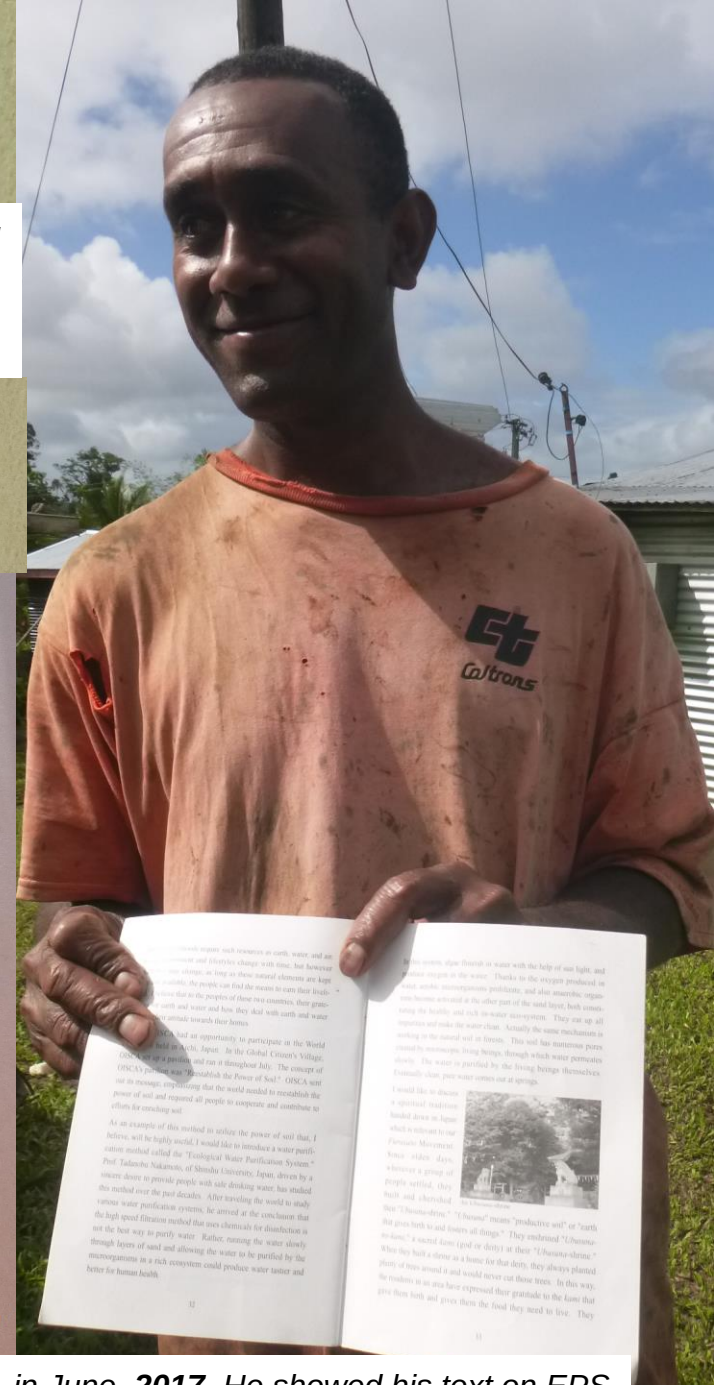
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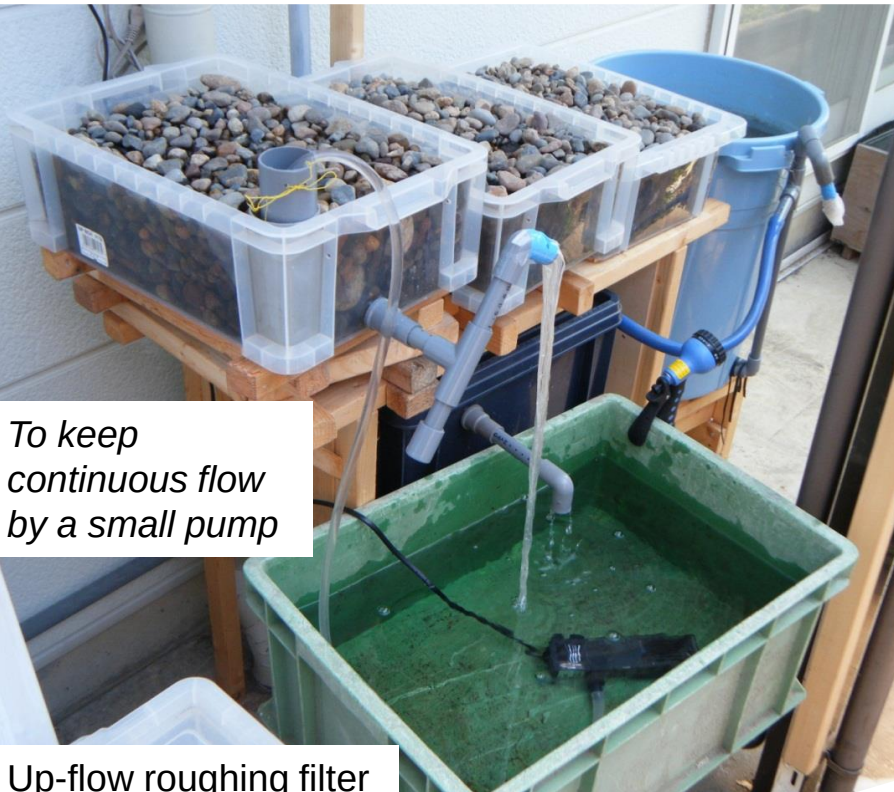
As an example of this method to utilize the power of soil that, I believe, will be highly useful, I would like to introduce a water purification method called the "Ecological Water Purification System."

Prof. Tadanobu Nakamoto, of Shinshu University, Japan, driven by a sincere desire to provide people with safe drinking water, has studied this method over the past decades. After traveling the world to study various water purification systems, he arrived at the conclusion that the high speed filtration method that uses chemicals for disinfection is not the best way to purify water. Rather, running the water slowly through layers of sand and allowing the water to be purified by the microorganisms in a rich ecosystem could produce water tastier and better for human health.

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I met Niko-San in Fiji, in June, 2017. He showed his text on EPS.

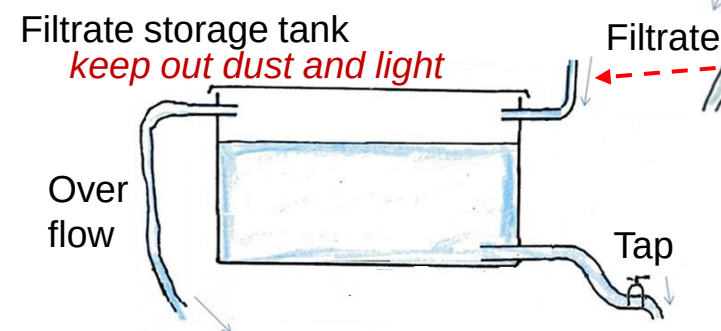
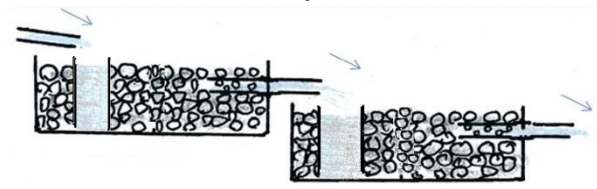




To keep continuous flow by a small pump



Up-flow roughing filter
To make subsurface suspension free clean water in the flood plain.



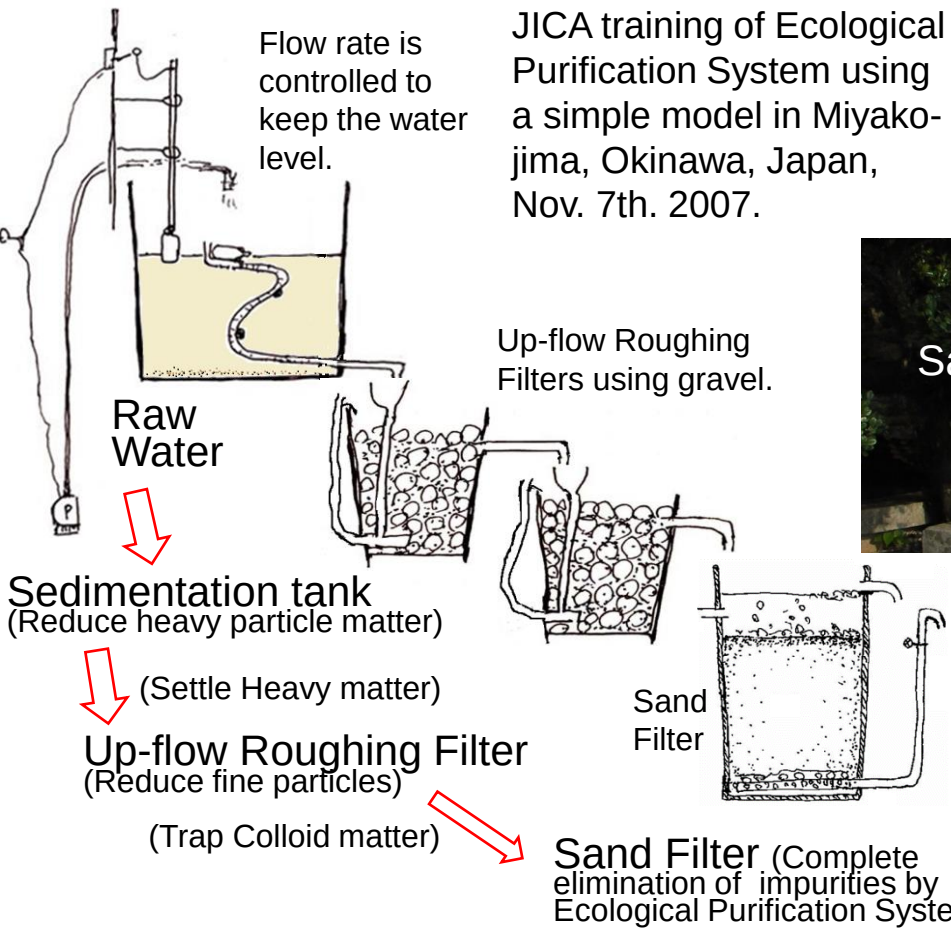
Filtrate storage tank
keep out dust and light



Under drainage porous pipe covered with mesh cloth.



keep out small animals



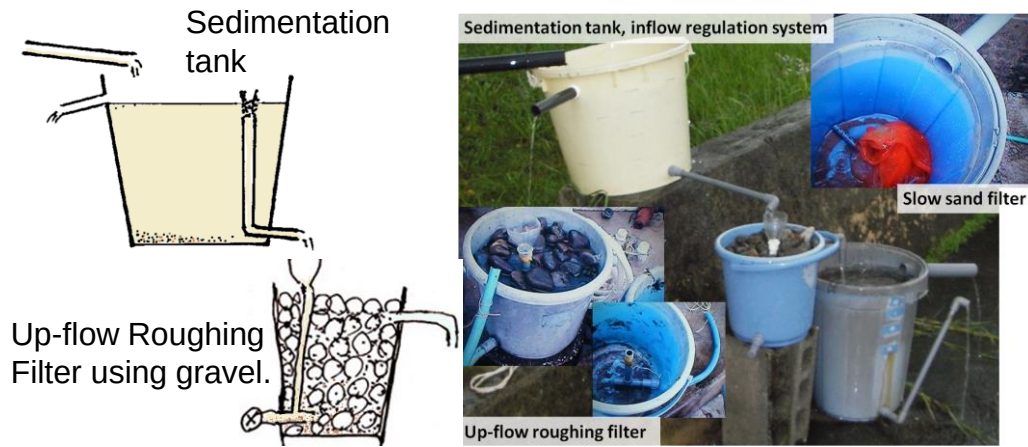
JICA training of Ecological Purification System using a simple model in Miyako-jima, Okinawa, Japan, Nov. 7th. 2007.



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Settling tank
沈殿槽

Up-flow
Roughing
Filter

上向き粗
ろ過槽

Up-flow
Roughing
Filter

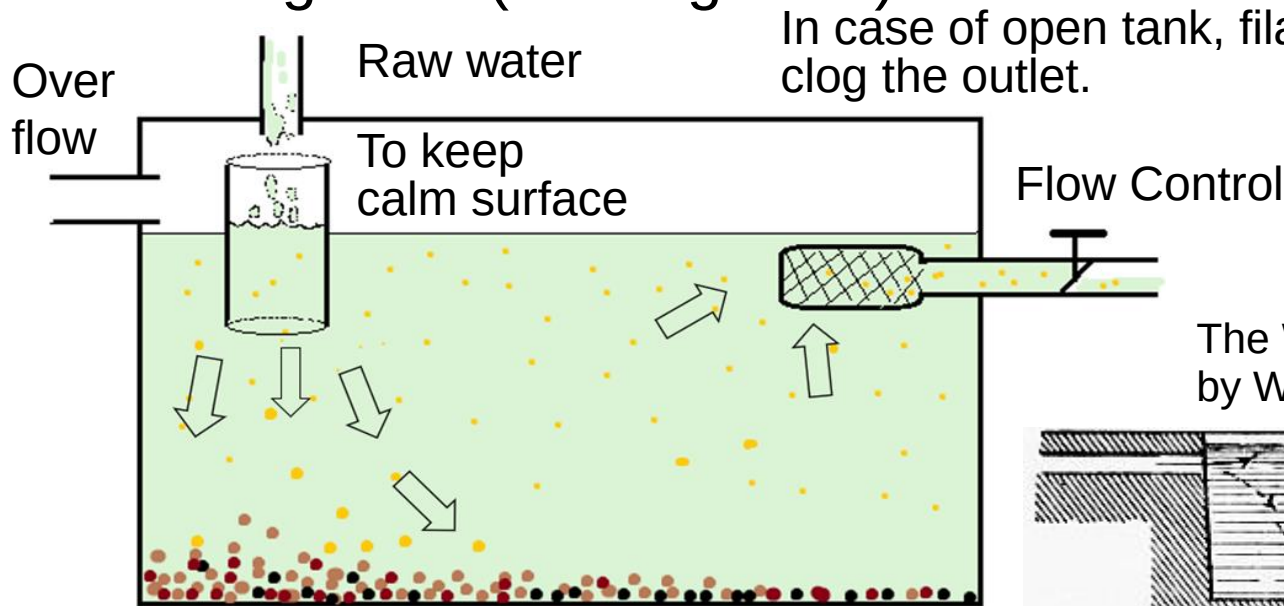
上向き粗
ろ過槽

Sand
Filter
砂ろ過槽

Storage
tank 貯水槽

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Receiving Tank (Settling Tank)



The Water Supply of Towns
by W. K. Burton **1894**.

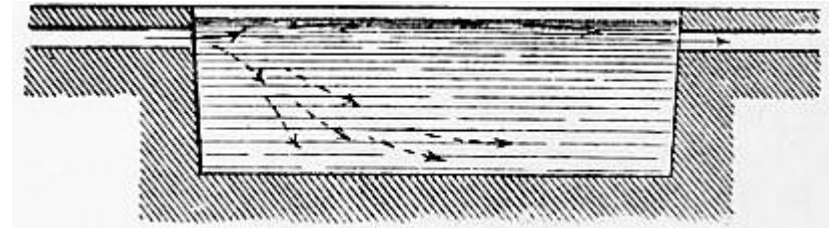
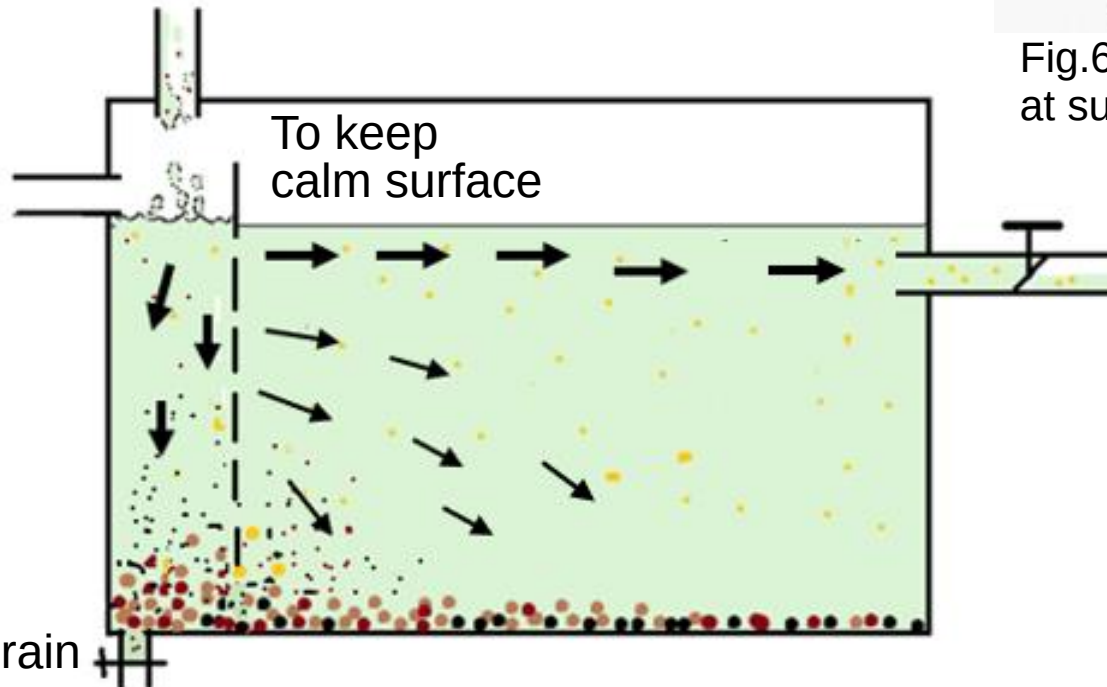


Fig.65. Settling reservoir: Inlet and outlet at surface level.

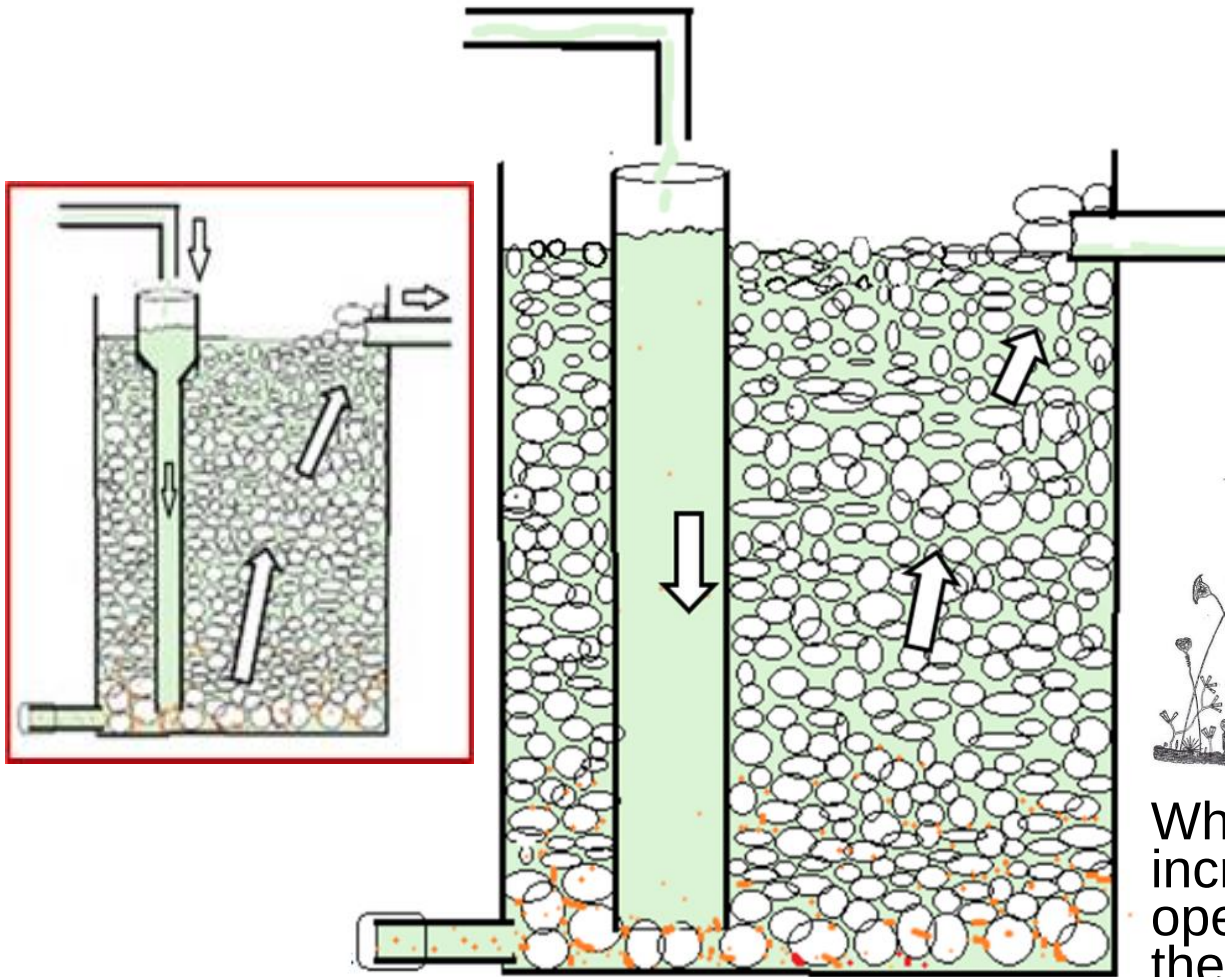


Heavy particulate matters are easily settled.

However, colloidal light particles like silt material are not settled in this settling tank.

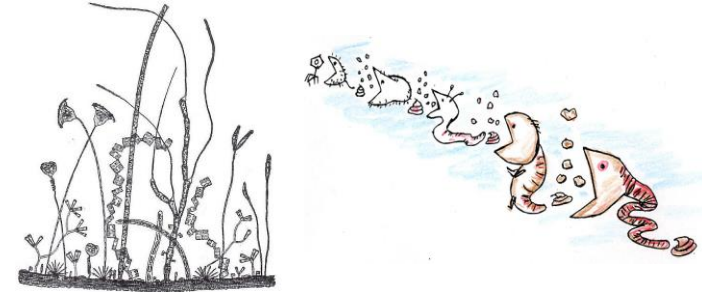
Up-Flow Roughing Filter (URF): Gravel Filter

Additional URF if necessary.



Drain cock for
accumulated mud.

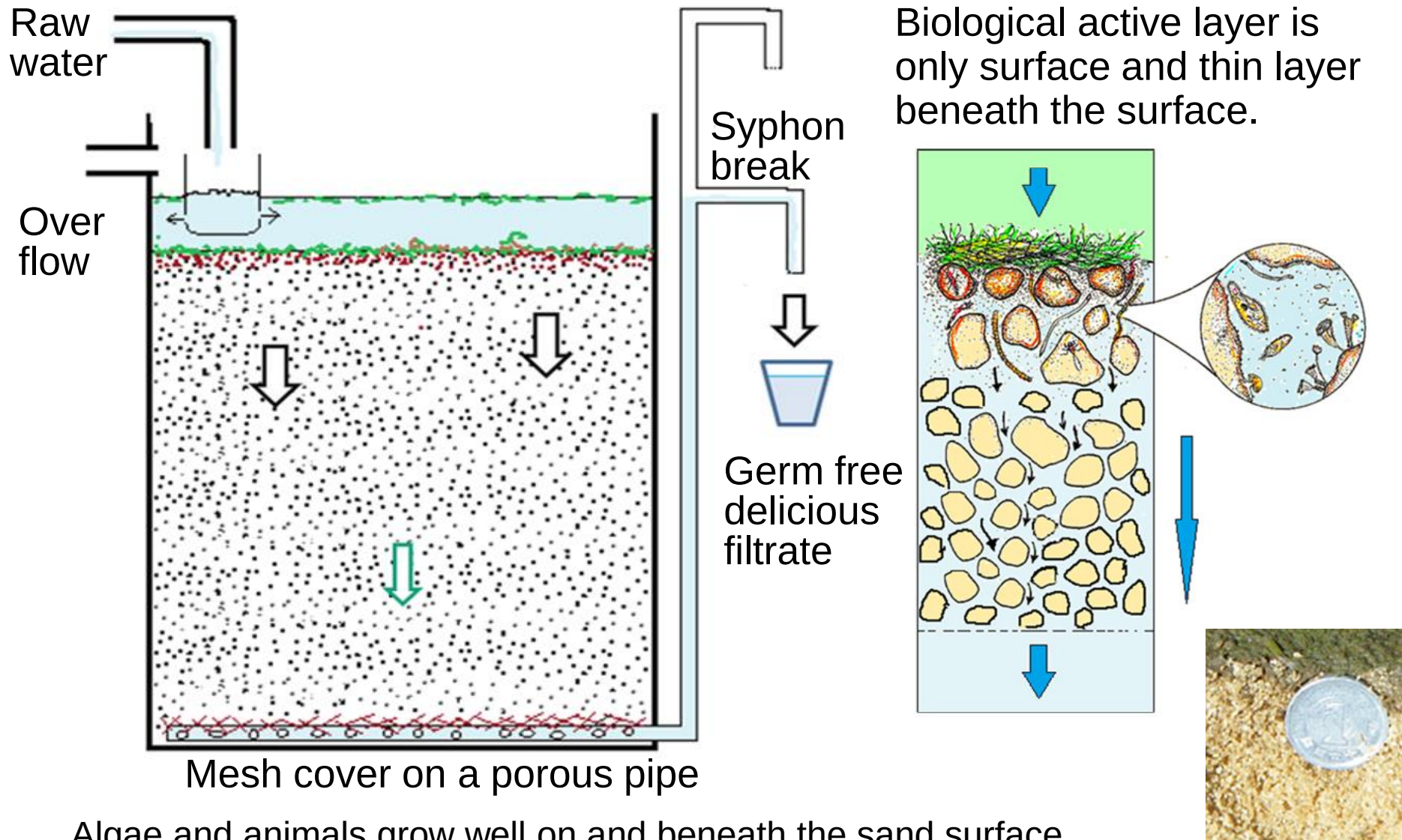
Colloidal fine particles
adhesive to the surface
of gravels. Small
animals scrape them
and produces fecal
pellets. Fecal pellets
accumulated to the
bottom.



When the filter resistance
increase, the drain cock is
opened in short time to drain
the mud (accumulated fecal
pellets.)

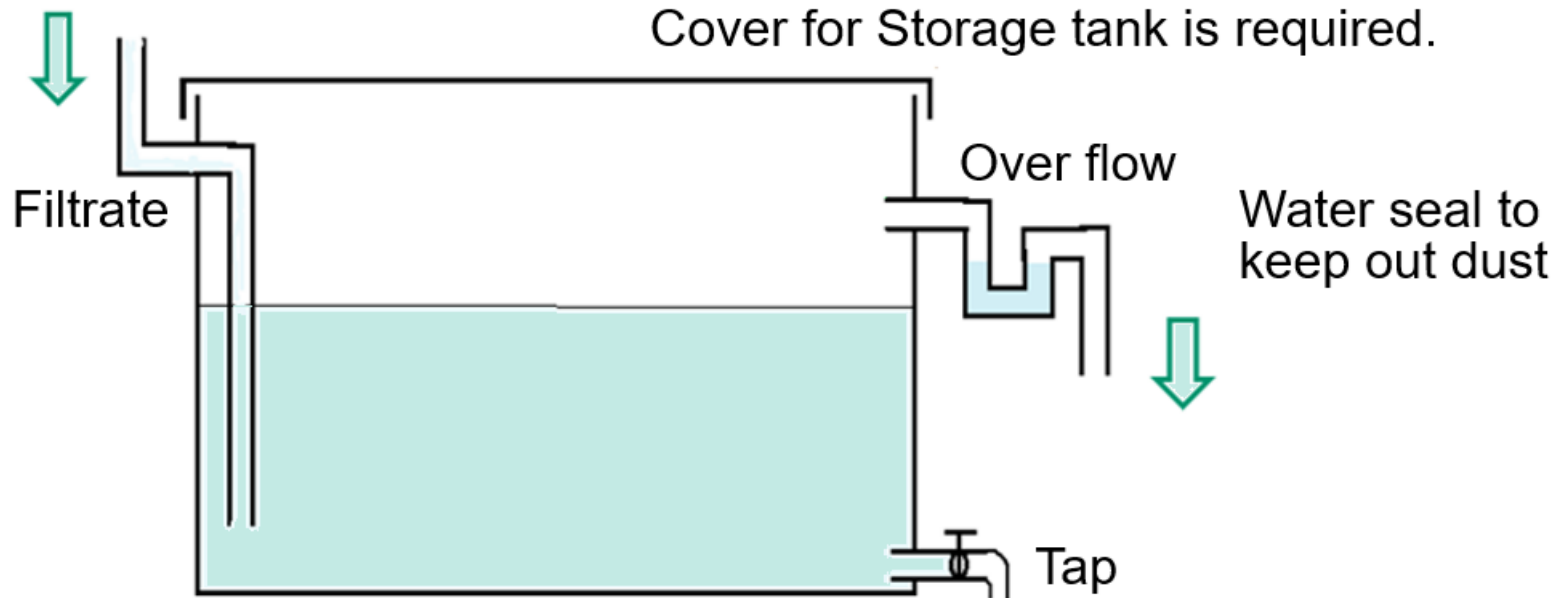
EPS (Sand) Filter (Natural Down Flow)

Ecological Purification System

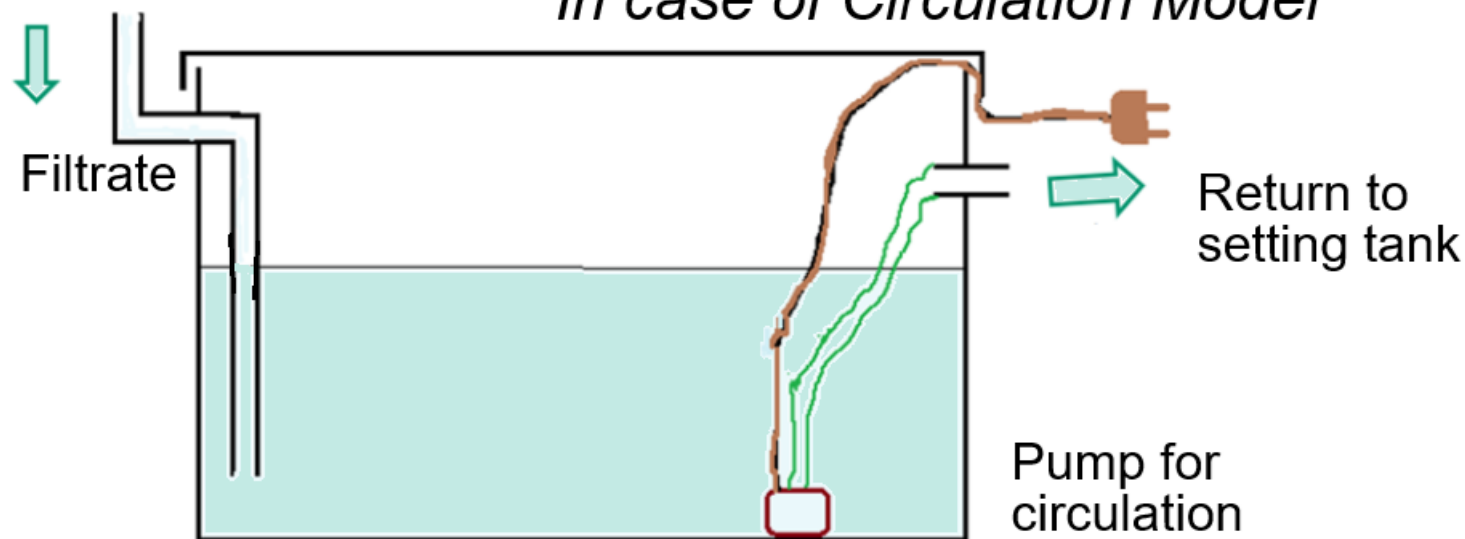


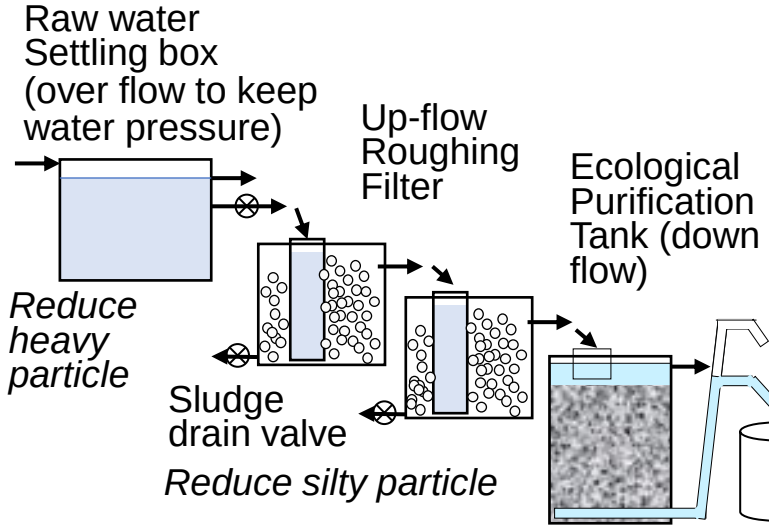
Storage (Filtrate) Tank

Cover for Storage tank is required.



In case of Circulation Model





Filter area = 26.5 cm x 40 cm = 1,060 cm²

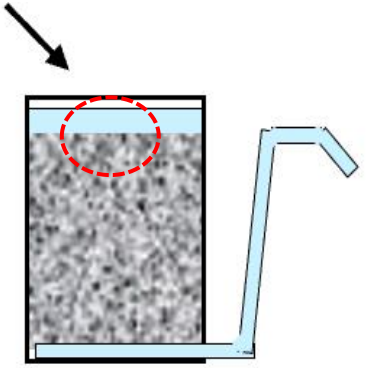
In case of Present Thames filter rate (40cm/h = 9.6m/d)

Filtrate/min = 1,060 cm² x 40 cm/h / 60 (min) = 707 cm³(ml)/min

Filtrate/h = 1,060 cm² x 40 cm/h = 42,400 cm³/h = 42.4 liter/h

Filtrate/d = 42.4 liter x 24 hrs = **1.02 m³/d**

Filter rate can be measured using a cup and is regulated by a cock.



Shallow water depth over sand is important to keep aerobic condition.

*Passing time of water is shorter in shallower depth.
And higher flow rate is also better to keep aerobic condition.*

	unit	Simpson 1829	English Filter	Present Thames Filter	Experiment in Samoa
Flow rate	m/d	2	4.8	9.6	20
	cm/h	8.3	20	40	83
Flow rate in sand layer (50% porosity)	cm/h	16.7	40	80	167
Passing time of 1 m sand layer	hr	6	2.5	1.25	0.6
Passing time of upper active 1 cm	min	3.6	1.5	0.75	0.36

I studied on ecological function of Miyako-jima wks. I made a video on EPS function of Miyako wks in March 2004 and published a book in August 2005.



JICA training started in 2006.



Quest for Safe and Delicious Tap Water, Miyako-jima, Island in March 2004. /15:22
With English subtitle version in Oct. 2007.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r1LIPuQliu0&t=16s>



JICA made Video in 2008

Slow sand filtration: creating clean, safe water(Full ver) in 2020



Ecological Purification System : JICA training for SIWA, April 18, 2013

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NCI9oeNM0aI>



Slow sand filtration: (Digest ver) in 2021/3:26



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QAH1SoAgfL0&t=37s>



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V6_uDZE_I8E&t=1218s

JICA Training on Ecological Purification System (EPS) in Okinawa, Japan in 2022

DIY EPS bucket model making 2022 - YouTube / 38:01

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jz94KFkLL3E>



NGO Okinawa
Blue Water



**ECOLOGICAL PURIFICATION SYSTEM
(EPS)**

JULY 20/2017 @ HIROSHIMA INTERNATIONAL PLAZA

Un sistema ecológico, económico y replicable que puede ser utilizado por pequeñas, medianas y grandes comunidades. Este sistema fue desarrollado por el Doctor Nobutada Nakamoto

– Ecological Purification System



Daniel Castro

2017/07/20 に公開

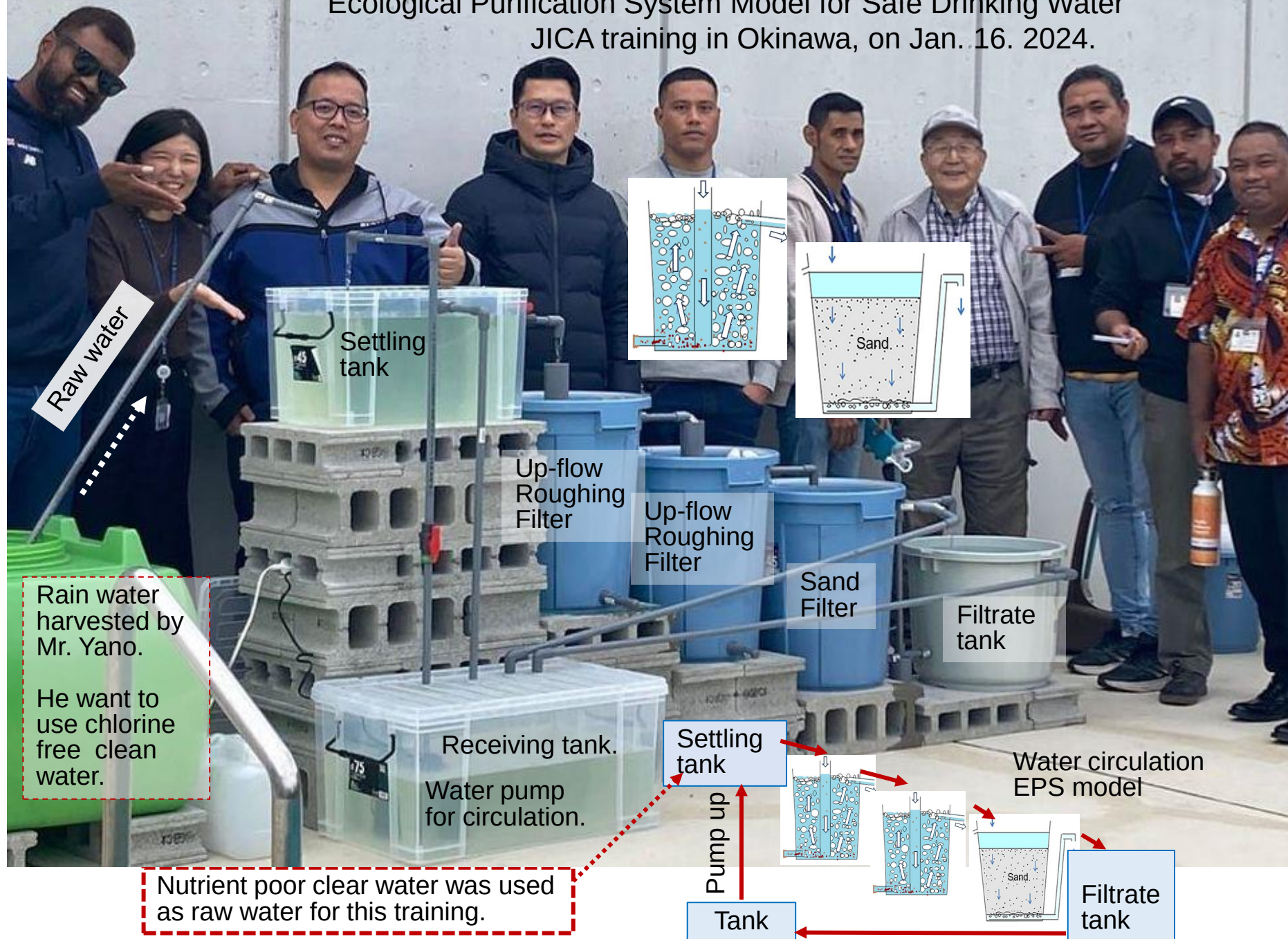


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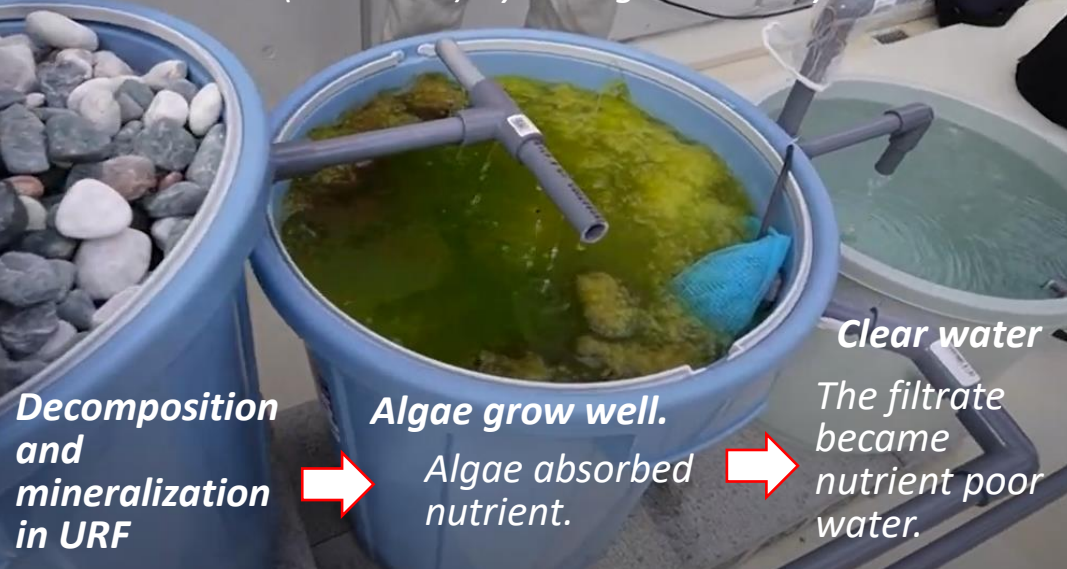
Ecological Purification System Model for Safe Drinking Water

JICA training in Okinawa, on Jan. 16. 2024.



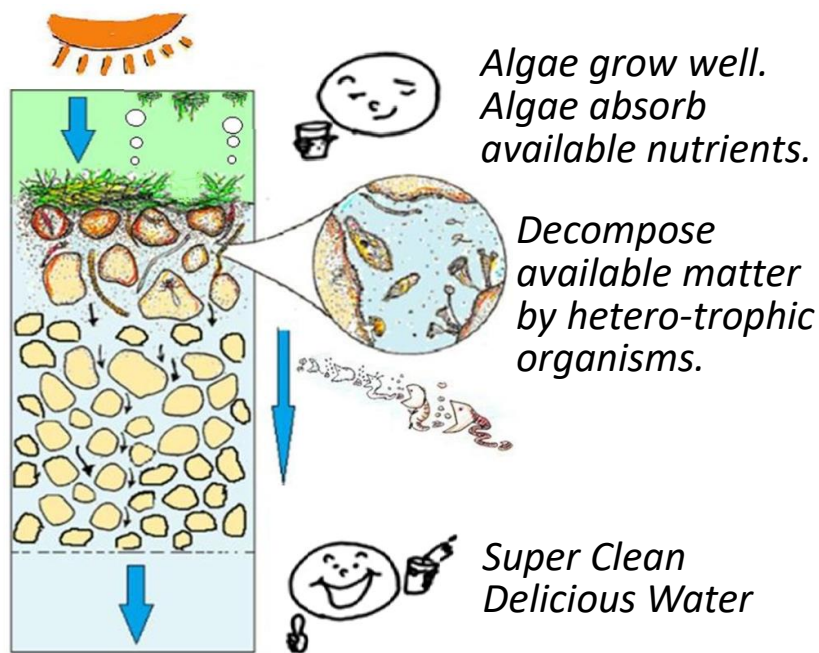


This water is always circulated. Available nutrient was eliminated (absorbed) by biological activity.



After 3 weeks, they enjoyed delicious super clean water.

*Filtrate Water that is free of substances that living things can react with.
It's water that tastes delicious and sweet.*

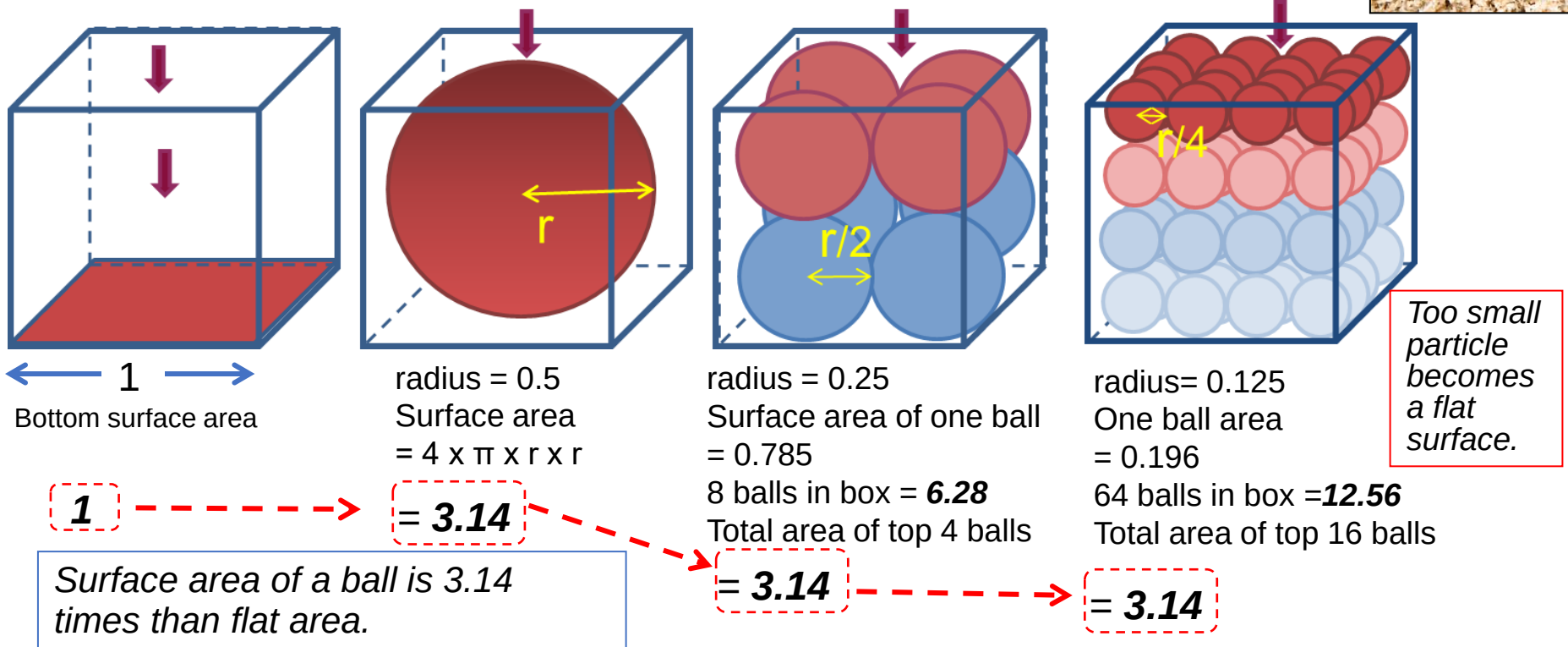
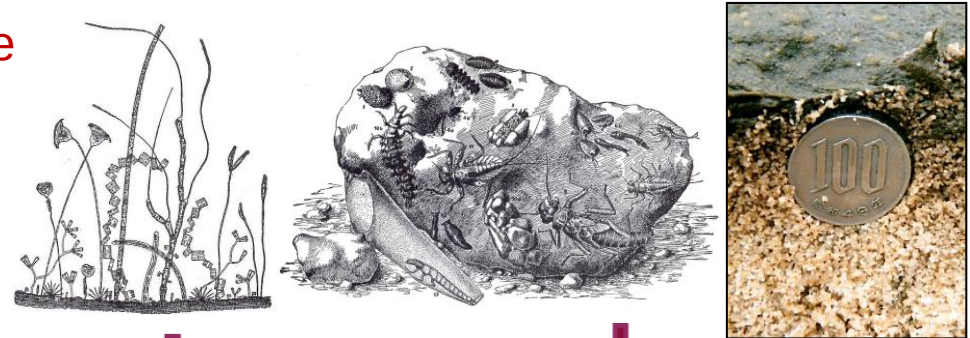


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RJLgf63s5Og>



Sweet drop (honey dew)
Natural sweet and delicious water

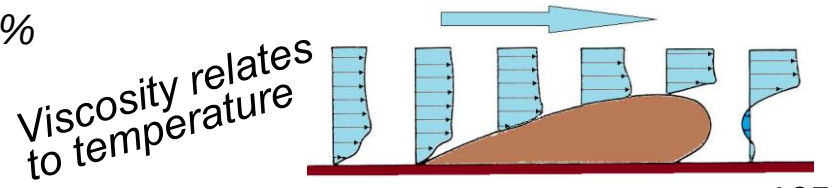
Most of small organisms live **on the surface** of substrata (sand particle) under slow current condition. They live at the top of sand layer **where food comes**. They are **always waiting for food**. They are **hungry**.



Total surface area of top layer of balls is always same of 3.14 times than flat area.
Smaller ball makes larger area.

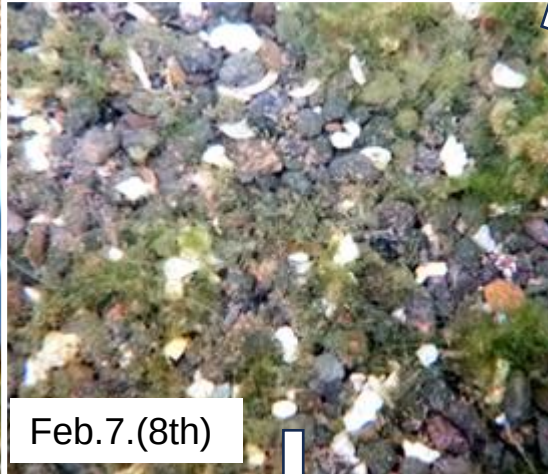
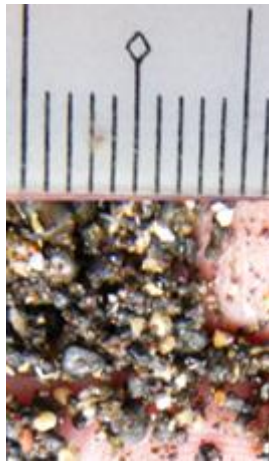
And, total volume of balls is always same of 52 %
 (porosity : 48%) in a box.

Filter resistance increases toward smaller size of particle.

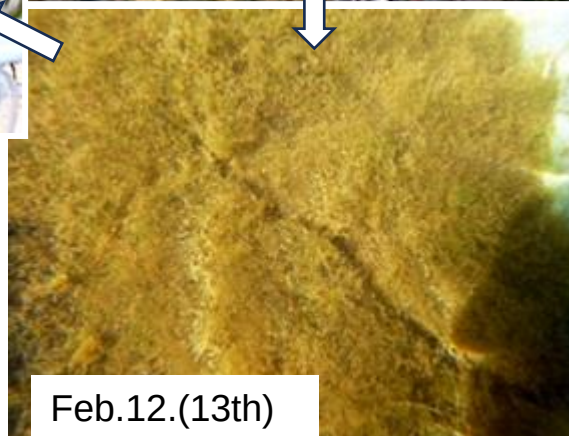


Points: shallow depth, enough radiation on the bottom, rapid growth, large size of sand.

Sand separated with mosquito mesh (1-2 mm)



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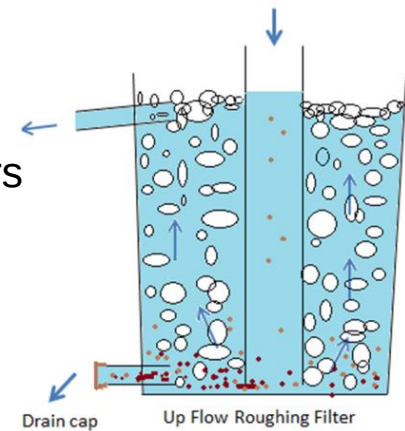


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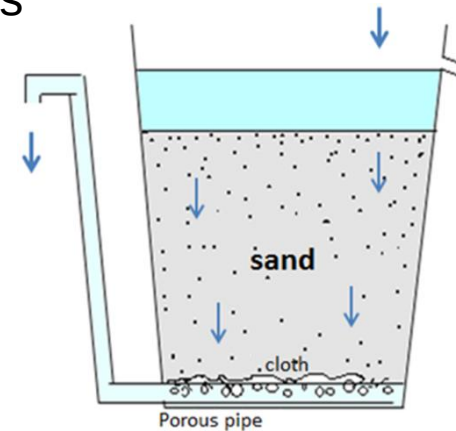
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Shallow depth: Algae grow well

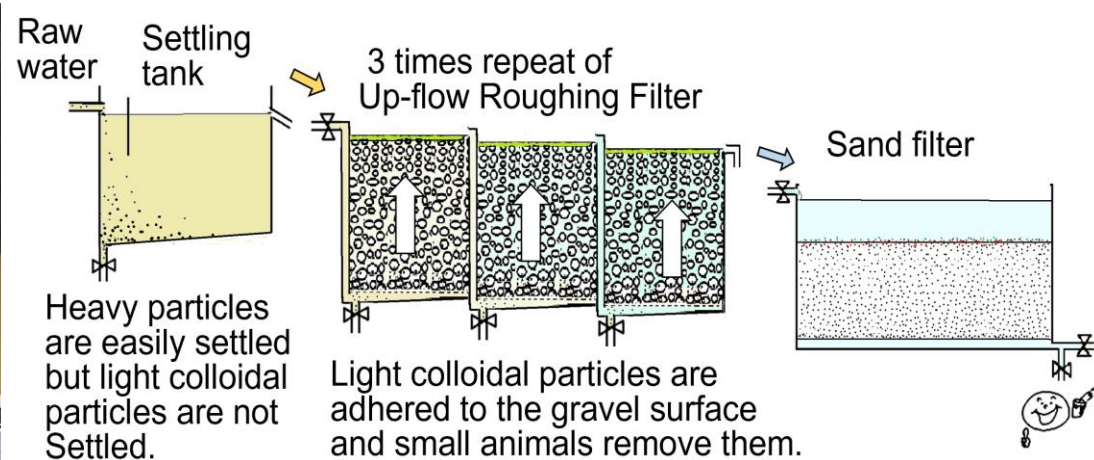
Two up-flow roughing filters



Sand filters (5m/d, 10m/d, 20m/d) All good filtrates.



Muddy water of tropical rivers



Settling tank and URF for turbidity reduction

Water supply plant to the national Ratnapura hospital, Sri Lanka by EPS

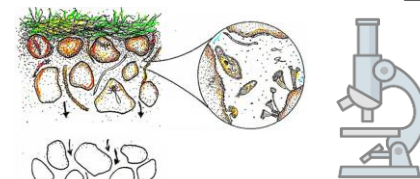
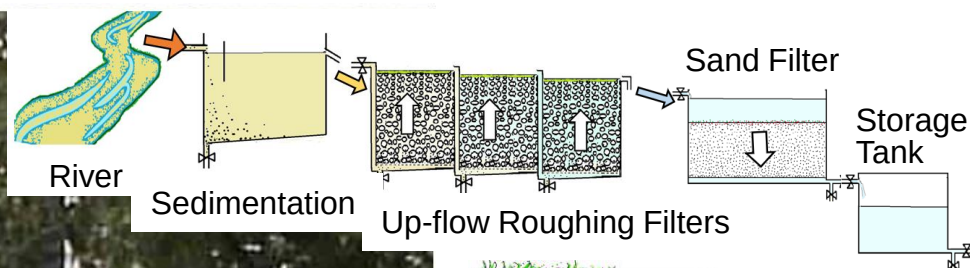
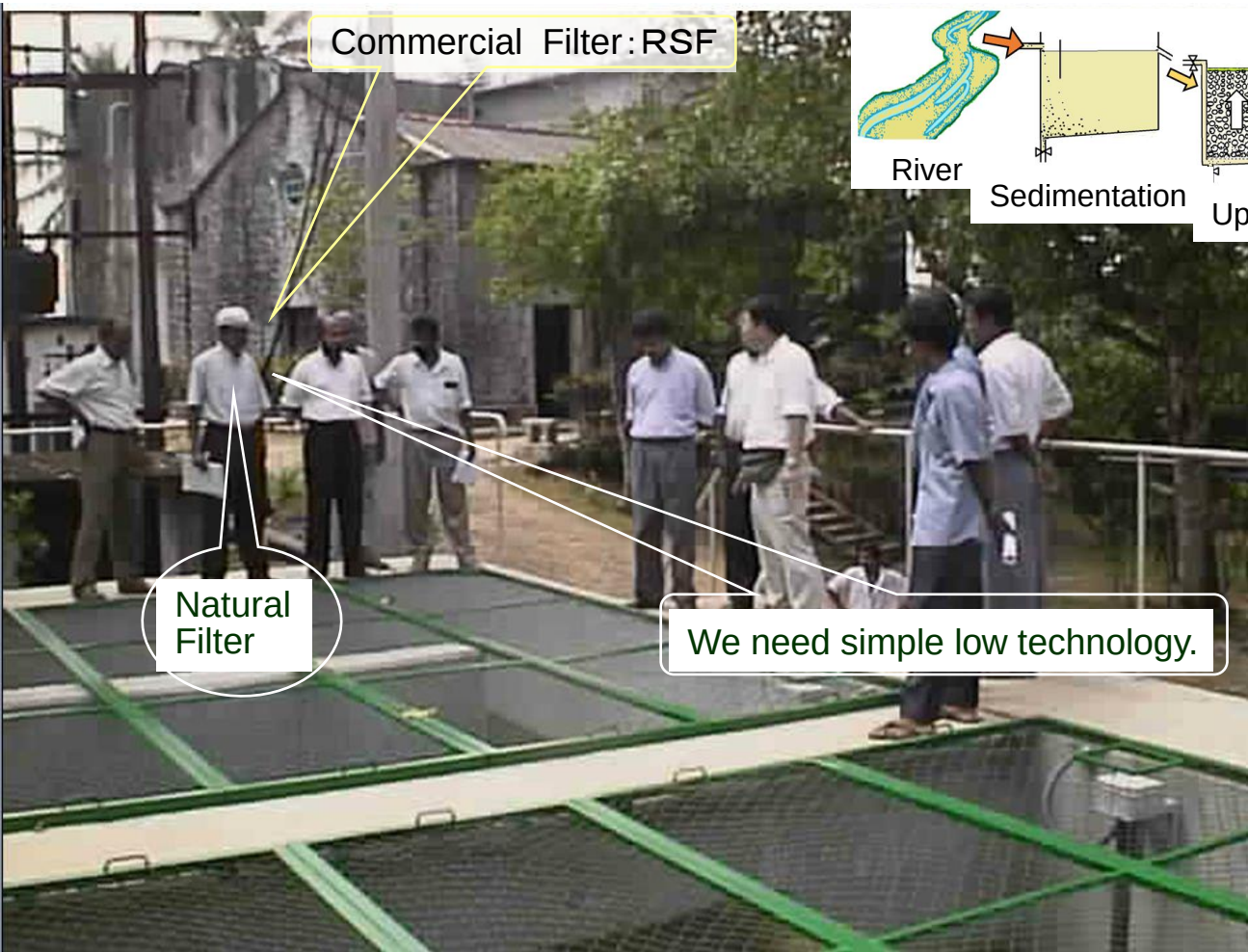


Two sets of 3 steps of URF



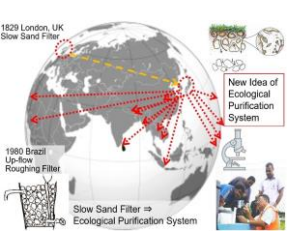
Explain the ecological purification mechanism of chemical free system.

Manager said "**Conventional is a commercial filter. This is a natural filter**".



I explained the chemical free mechanism of EPS, the maintenance and management of EPS at the site to the engineers. This was wise use of natural system. The manager understood the reason that we had commercial technology.

I visited again this site after construction in 10 years later. **The hospital director said there was no problem.**



**Chemical Free
Eco-friendly**

Ecological Purification System (EPS)

0. Introduction: Phytoplankton, Reservoir study, Meet Slow Sand Filter, Importance of Ecological point. JICA training
植物プランクトン、貯水池研究、緩速ろ過、生態学の視点、JICA研修へ



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1. Water cycle, Safe water, Acceptable risk.
水循環、安全な水、許容できるリスク

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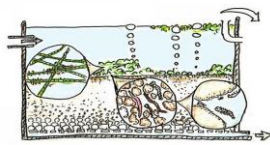
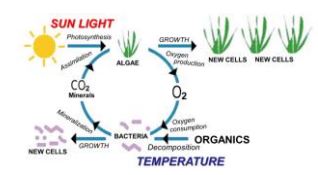
2. Key of purification in nature is food chain.
Refocus to Slow Sand Filter.
浄化は食物連鎖が鍵、緩速ろ過の再認識

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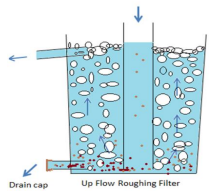
3. Algae and animals in Slow Sand Filter.
緩速ろ過池の藻類と動物

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4. Up-flow Roughing Filter to reduce SS
濁り対策で上向き粗ろ過、モデルで解説

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5. From JICA training in Miyako-jima, Okinawa to Samoa
宮古島JICA研修からサモアへ

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6. Safe water for rural people by EPS in Fiji
フィジーの展開：生物浄化法で地方給水へ

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7. Aerobic condition is essential for EPS.
生物浄化法は酸素が必須

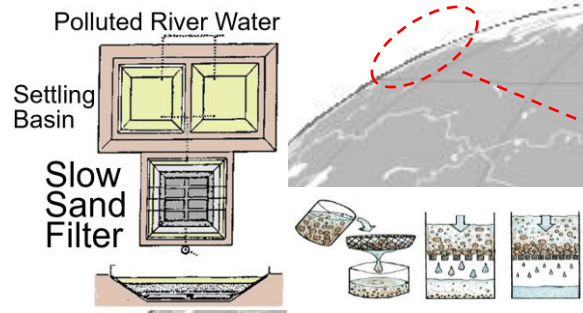
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8. Confirm by yourself. Don't believe commercial.
Trust your true sense. 自分で確かめよう。

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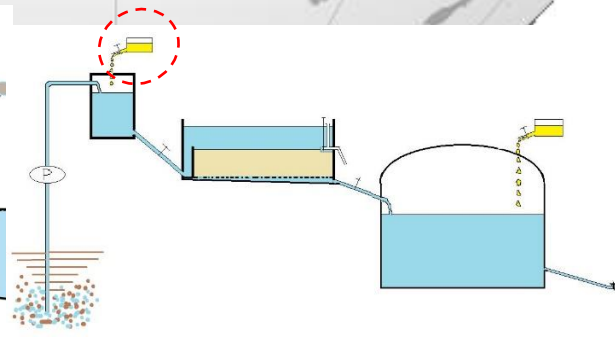
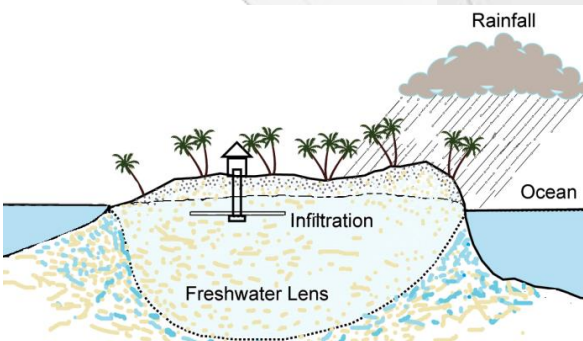
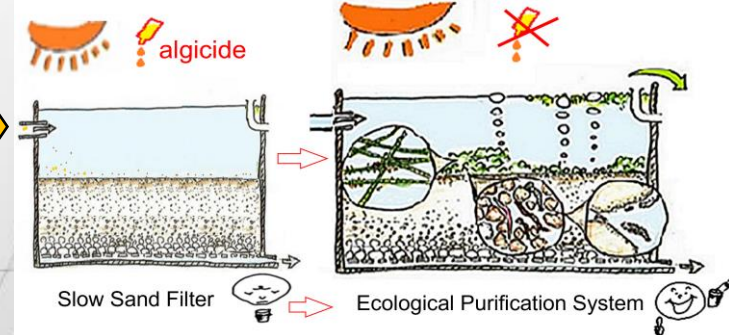
They believed **mechanical reduction** of polluted matter by fine sand under slow filtration.

Pre-chlorination was a popular water treatment to kill the algae in all over Japan and in the world. **This treatment was for Rapid sand filtration.**

Mr. Mitsutoshi **Tomari**, managing director of Sodeyama WTP, Miyako-jima, **visited to Nakamoto**, Shinshu Univ. in **July 8, 1997**.



He **stopped** to injection of **algicide** into receiving well in 1997. As soon as the injection stop, the **taste of tap water became delicious**. Biological communities started to work in SSF. **Ecological Purification System** functionated in this SSF.

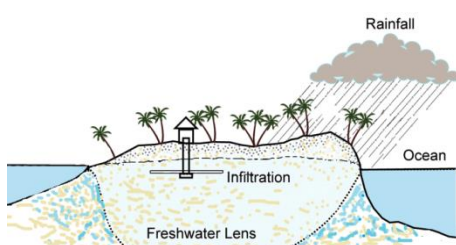


Miyako-jima island is a raised coral reef where is quit different environment compared with main part of Japan.

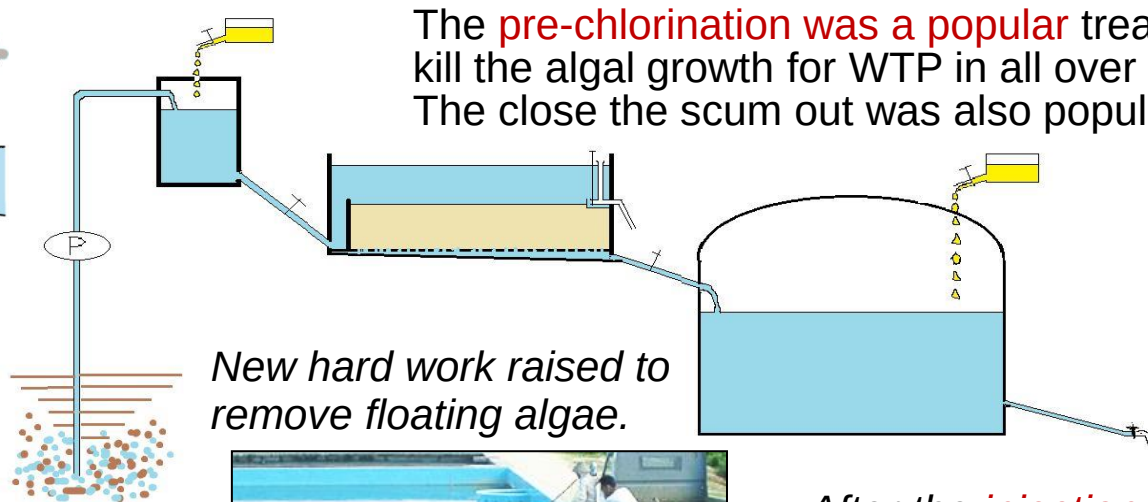


How to make delicious water

Nakamoto published Ecological Purification System text in 2005.



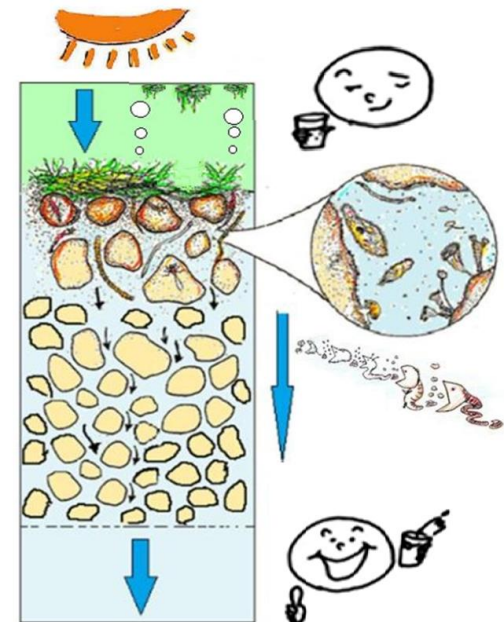
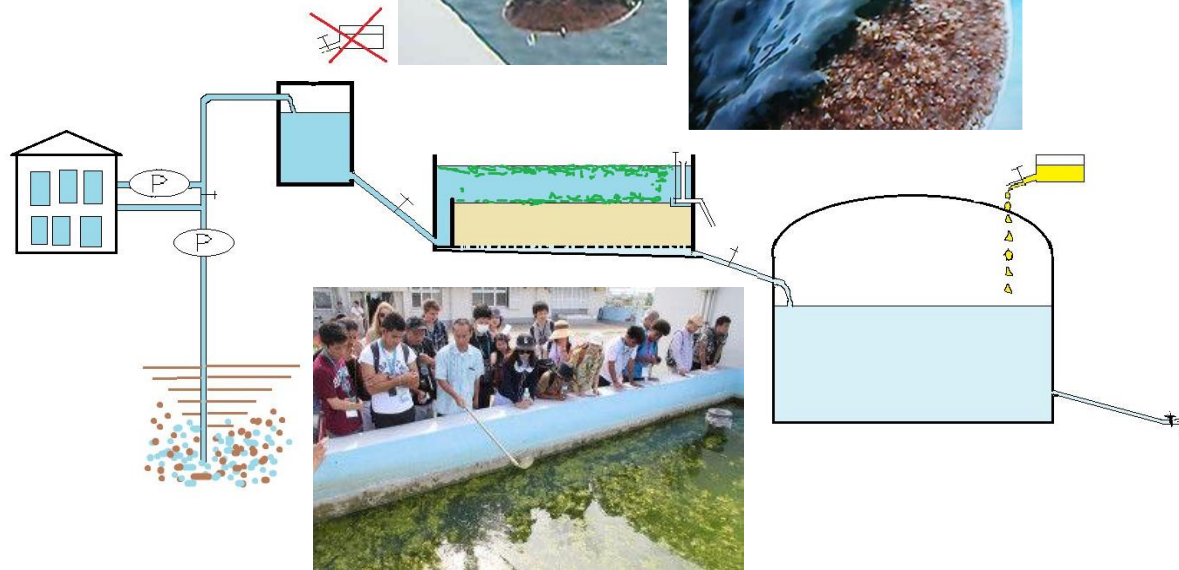
They pumped up the underground water as water source. They could not flow out from the scum out. In the pond, algal bloom was so severe. The pre-chlorination was introduced to kill the algal activity.



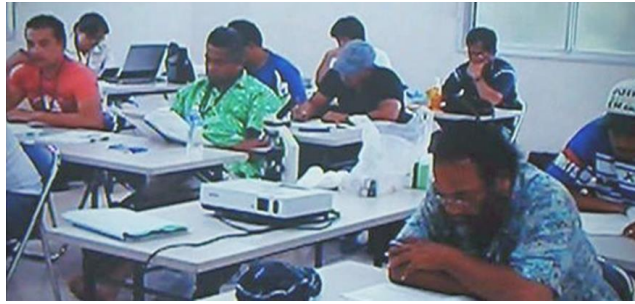
New hard work raised to remove floating algae.



After the **injection stopped in 1997**, the **algae grew well** in filter ponds. **The taste of tap water became delicious.**



I started JICA training on EPS in Okinawa from 2006.



At the end of the six-week JICA training in Okinawa (September 1, 2010), Ms. Marista from the Solomon Islands, gave a speech of thanks on behalf of the trainees.



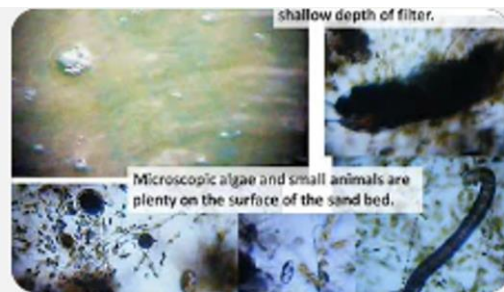
It is also worth appreciating the Ecological Purification System as taught by you, Dr. Nakamoto; a simple, natural and yet an effective water purification technology, we can all agree to as the most relevant technology for the Islands.

It is cheap to construct, operate and maintain which makes it even more attractive. We are grateful to your pioneering research on this technology and for generously impart this to us, so that the people of the pacific may in the very near future will have access to the high quality and delicious taste that this technology provides.



International Course on Slow Sand Filter in Okinawa, in 2010 by JICA – YouTube / 6:08

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c3mVlbnFPqA&t=138s>



You can deepen your understanding through outdoor experience rather than classroom lectures.



Slow sand filter problem in Samoa was solved by ecological point in 2010 – YouTube / 13:45

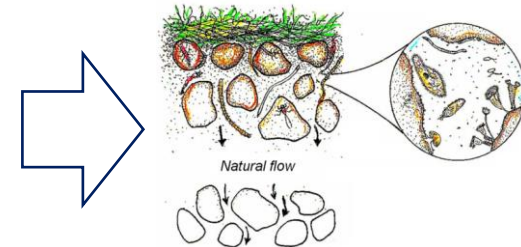
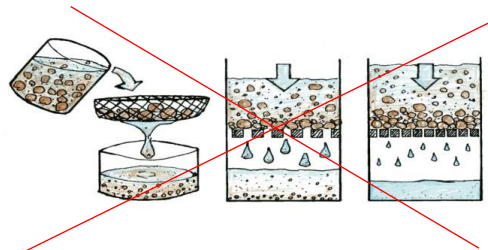


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During heavy flooding or rainy days – very high turbidity blocks sand filters

This problem was happened by the misunderstand of the real mechanism. Slow sand filter system is not simple mechanical filter. This is a real Ecological Purification System.



Settling tanks



Roughing filters

Samoan people used non-treated water (Non-purified water), before construction of Alaoa Purification plant (1984).

Joseph River company (Germany) constructed 5 slow sand filters only during 1984-87.



Slow sand filters

Dorsch consult (Germany) constructed settling tanks and Up-flow roughing filters in order to reduce the extraordinary load of surface run off by storm event in 2000.

<http://www.cwsc.or.jp/cwscpanel/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/AlaoaDurch-Manual.pdf>

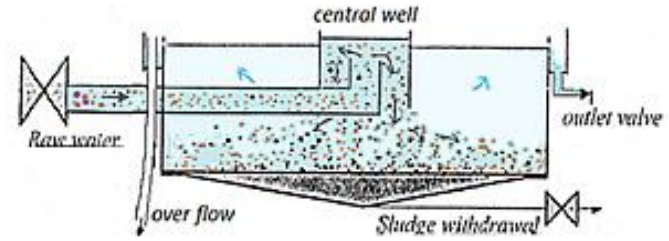




Alaoa Power House
Tailrace Intake.
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Settling tanks



Diameter 17.8 m Area 248.8 m²
2 tanks Retention time: 3.3 hrs

Up-flow Roughing filter:

Diameter 11.2 m
Area 98.5 m²
4 filters
Filter rate: 1m/h

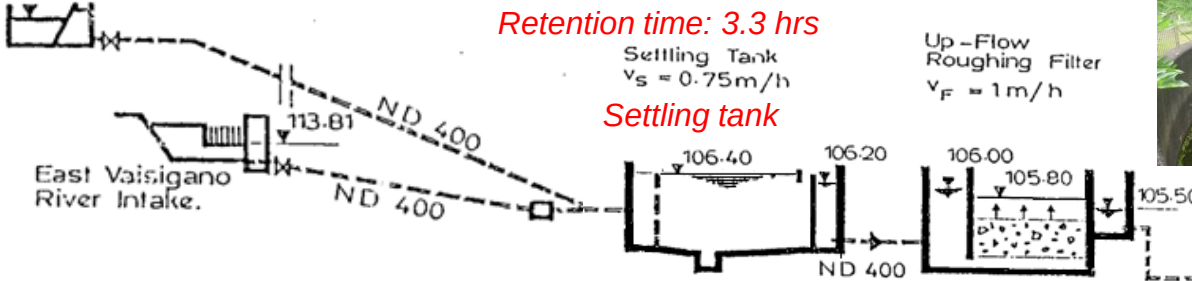


Retention time: 3.3 hrs

Settling Tank
 $v_s = 0.75 \text{ m/h}$

Settling tank

Up-Flow
Roughing Filter
 $v_F = 1 \text{ m/h}$

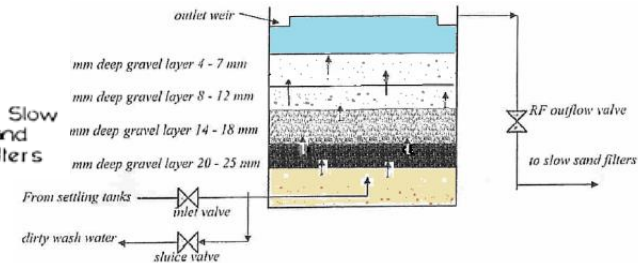


Natural Down flow

Slow Sand Filter
 $v_F = 0.125 \text{ m/h}$

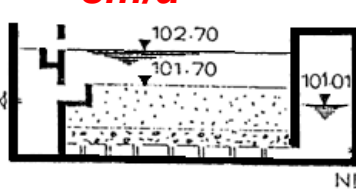
Chlorination
1 mg / l

Up-flow Roughing filter:
Fine, light particles cling to
the gravel surface



Crossing west
Vaisigano River

3m/d



ND 450

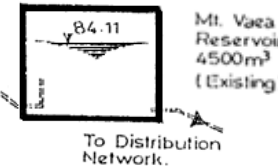
Balancing
Reservoir
450 m³

Meter
Chamber

Connection
To Magiagi
Reservoir



Diameter 28 m
Area 616 m²
5 filter ponds
Flow rate: 3m/d



Slow Sand Filter $\Rightarrow$ Ecological Purification System :
Purification was done by the function of biological
communities. It was the food chain.

English standard rate: 5m/d (0.2m/h).

Present Thames rater: 10m/d(0.4m/h)

Our experiment in Samoa :2013: 5m/d、10m/d、20m/d

= Any rate is good results.

616 m² x 3m/d = 1,848 m³/d x 5 filters = 9,240 m³/d

5m/d なら 3,080 m³/d x 5 filters = 15,400 m³/d

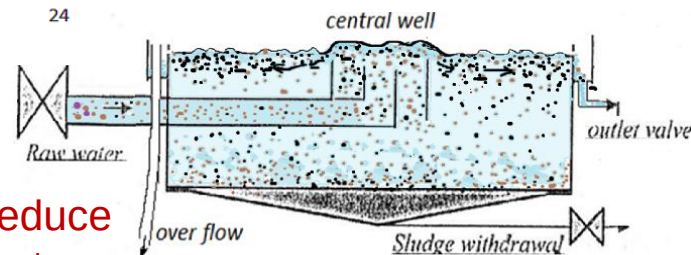
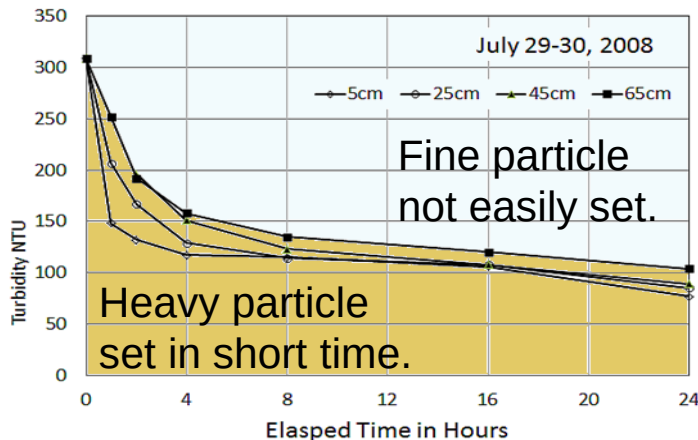
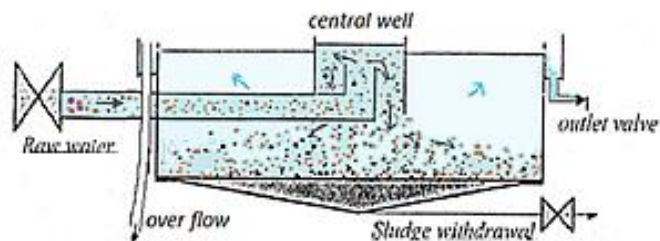
10m/d なら 6,160 m³/d x 5 filters = 30,800 m³/d

One day demand: 0.1 to 0.3 m³/day person

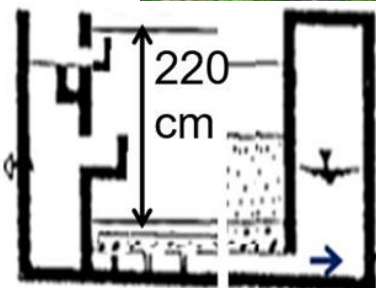


The ideal is a calm surface.

Retention time: 3.3 hrs (design)

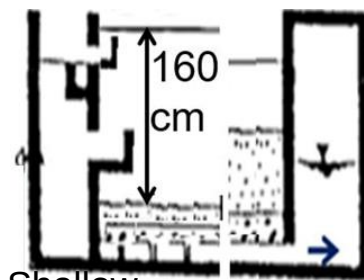


We reduce flow rate

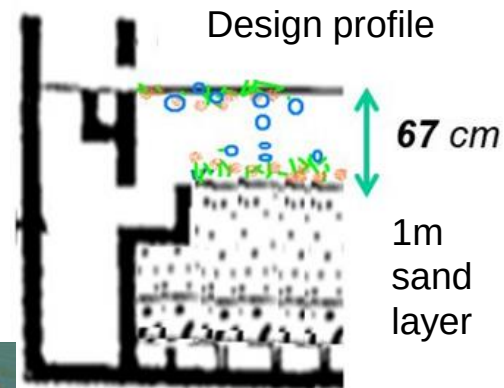


Deep

Almost no sand layer.



Shallow



Shallow depth: Active photosynthesis: much oxygen bubble formation.



Lifted algal mat with mud.



Large mud on the bottom



We recommend: Put sand. Make shallow depth.

Shallow Water depth is the key for ecological purification system of slow sand filter pond.



No floating algal mat.



Thick mud layer was seen on the bottom at Alaoa No.1 deep filter on 26th Nov. 2010.

Present depth:

220 cm

High pressure and low radiation on the bottom.

Hardly growth of algae at the bottom due to low radiation. **Easily block.**



Hardly growth of algae on the deep bottom.

Role of algal mat in slow sand filter, shallow depth is key: experience in Samoa - YouTube/ 5:05

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ot-KAm6TuaY>

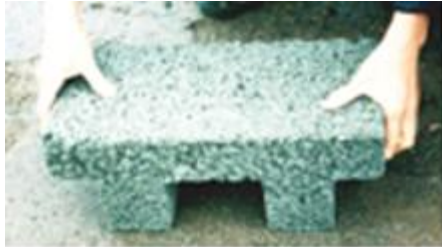




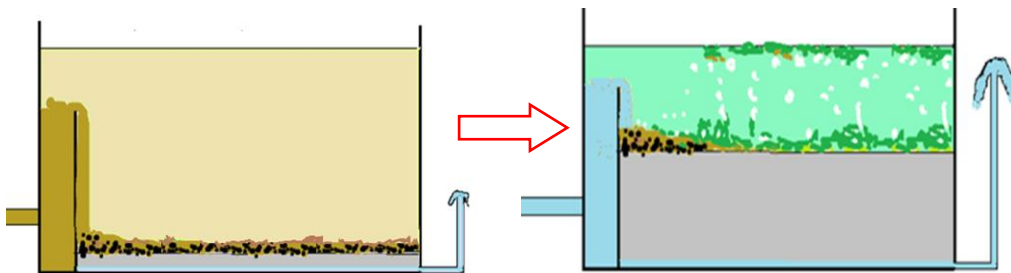
Beach sand near a river mouth was washed to make a shallow depth of slow sand filter pond.



I knew there was only sand layer on bottom porous brick in slow sand filter pond in UK.



Only the sand was put on the gravel layer using a cloth to separate them.



Deep to Shallow



Over-flow from the balance tank for filtrate water.

Stuffs of Samoa Water Authority presented their activity at the 5th Conference at Nagoya, Japan in 2014.

They made shallow water depth of 0.5 - 1m.



CONCLUSION

- **Shallower water depth improves SSF Performance**
 - Increased uplift of algae
 - Increased sediment removal
 - Self cleansing process reducing scraping frequency
 - Reduction in SSF scraping – Reallocation of manpower





名古屋市上下水道100周年

The 100th Anniversary of
Waterworks & Sewerage of Nagoya



5SSABC

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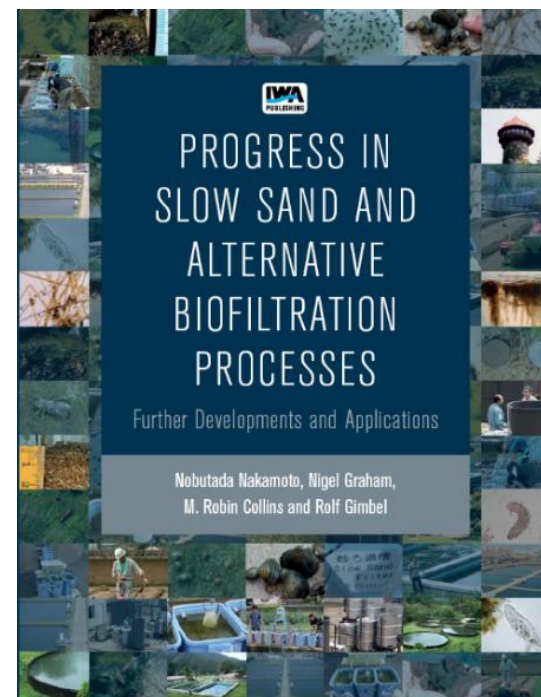
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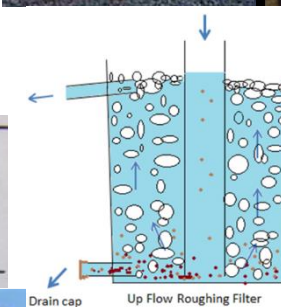
Biological activity is related with radiation and temperature.



High flow rate experiment for the performance of slow sand filter was done in Samoa (tropical region) from Dec. 2012 to Feb. 2013.



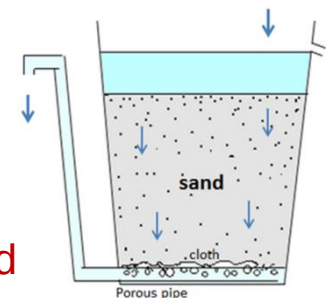
Sand washed with mosquito mesh (1-2 mm)



Different flow rate of sand filters (5m/d, 10m/d, 20m/d)
All good quality of filtrates.

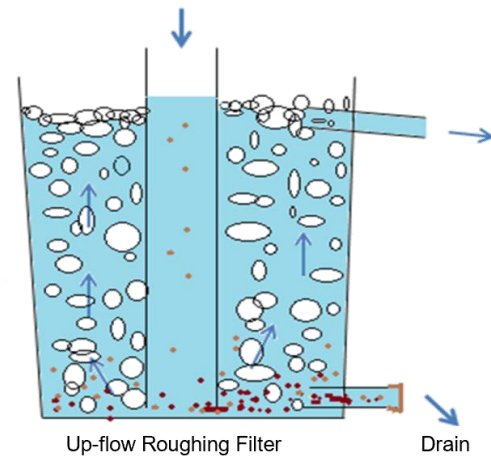
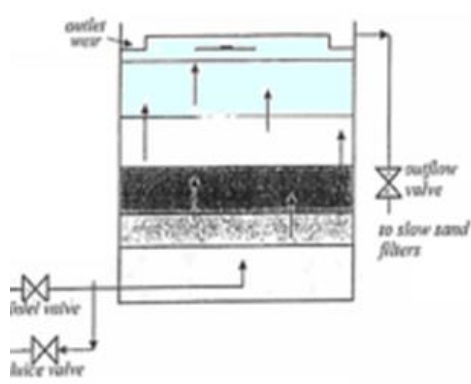


Points:
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large size of sand

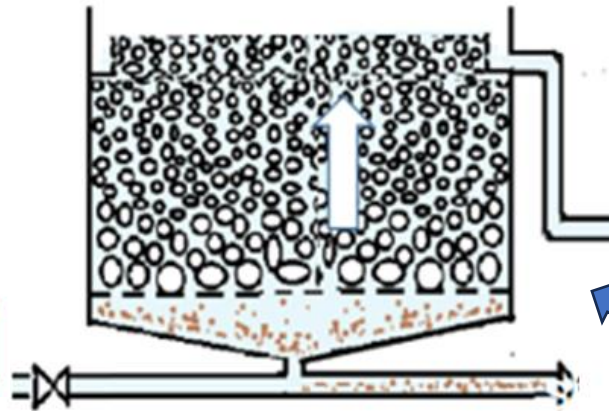


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Apia Water Supply Consolidation Project
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Active growth in URF



Large area of gravel surface is important to adhere suspended matter.



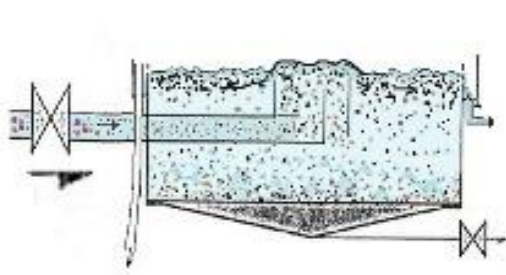
Clear water in river bed.

Full gravel with small crushed stones.

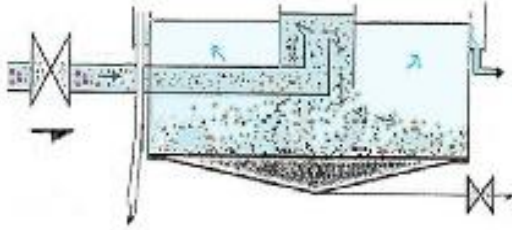


Advise for a better plant system to Samoa

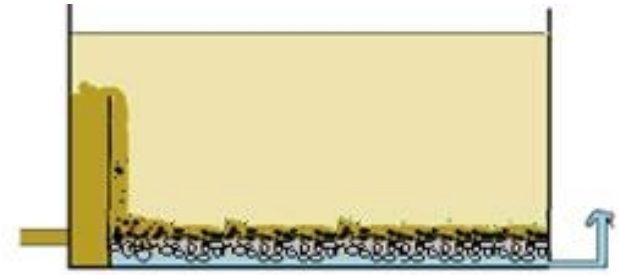
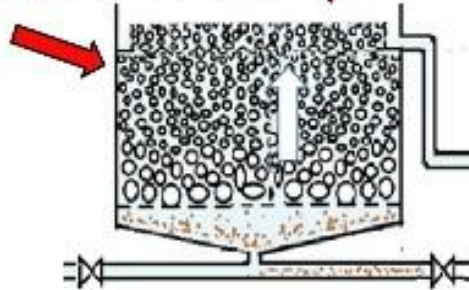
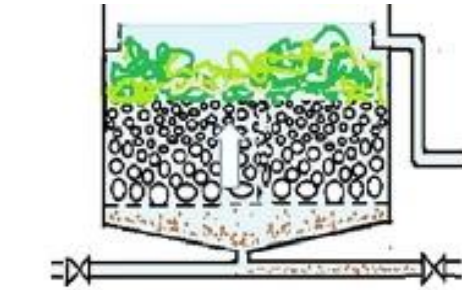
Improvements to the Purification Function.



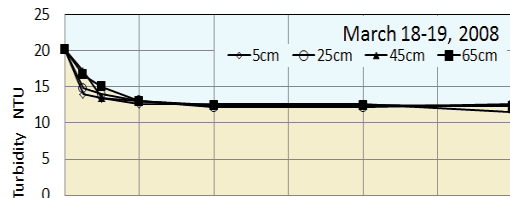
Reduce inflow
⇒ Easy to settling



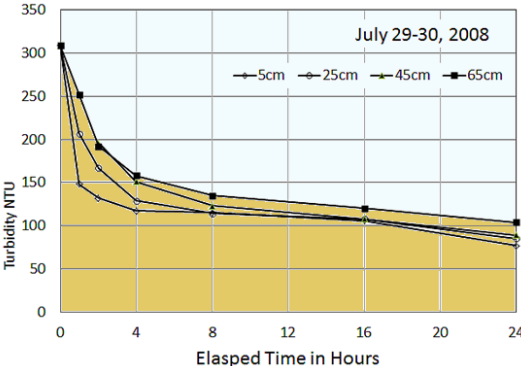
Thicker gravel media
⇒ Expand active area



Make shallow depth
⇒ Activate algae



Shallow depth is better for algal activity.



Suitable residence time for settling

Small organisms active on the stone surface.

