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## Abstract

The protocol summarises the procedures used for analytical control. The protocol describes the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the optimization of advanced tertiary treatment of water, based on a comprehensive quality and risk assessment.

## Guidelines

Directive 2008/105/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy.

Materials


	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	Parameter	V (mL) x R	S	Processing	Analytical method	Result	LOD / LOQ	Goal value
	Organic contaminan ts	500 × 2	On ice	Solid-phase extraction	HPLC/MS- TOF	Presence/ab sence	-	Not present

Materials:

	A	B	C	D
		Becker		cartridges (OASIS HLB 200 mg)
	Pre-filtration	Buchner flask	<b>SPE</b>	vacuum pump
		PVDF 0.45 µm filters		graduated cylinder
		trap flask		becker
		vacuum pump		trap flask
				SPE vacuum manifold system

Troubleshooting

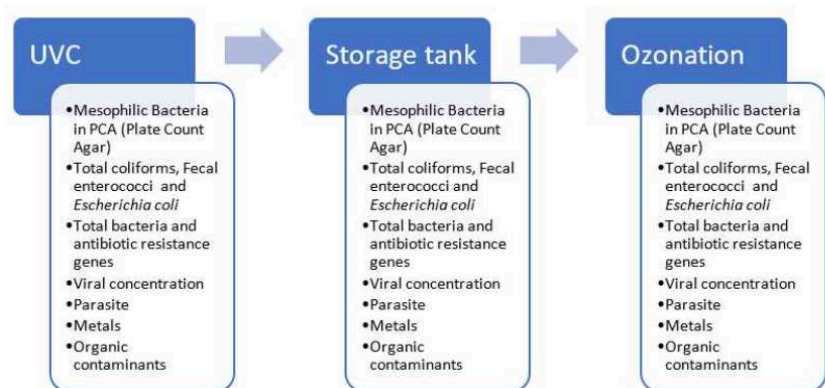
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## Organic Contaminants:

- 1 The water production for AWARE main activities includes three stages – disinfection by ultraviolet C radiation (UVC), storage for ⌚ 12:00:00 - ⌚ 24:00:00 (according to water load and season) and ozonation. The water quality is monitored at these three stages, for the parameters indicated in Figure 1 below.

1d 12h



**Figure 1.** Treatment and storage of municipal treated wastewater used for integrated aquaponics and an indication of the comprehensive quality and risk assessment.

### 1.1 Sampling, Processing, and Analyses

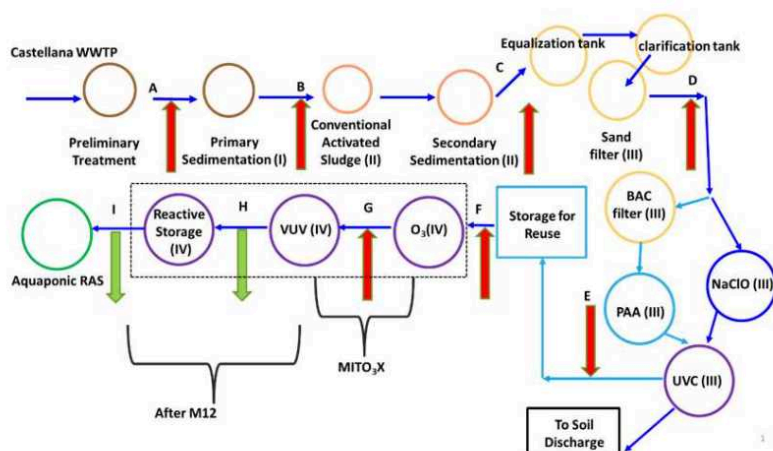
9h

Water samples are collected (see Figure 2) and processed within a ⌚ 06:00:00 interval, before being shipped for the partner responsible for the analyses (Table 1). In case no processing is needed, samples are frozen and stored at 🌡 -80 °C within ⌚ 03:00:00 .

For each sampling event, the date, day of the week and hour; the temperature and rain. Sampling points, indicated in Figure 2 were designated from A to I:

- Influent of primary treatment (A)
- Influent of biological treatment (activated sludge) (B)
- Treated secondary effluent (C)
- Sand filter effluent (D)
- UVC effluent (E)
- Storage for reuse tank effluent (F)
- Ozonation effluent (1 dose, e.g., 🧪 5 mg O<sub>3</sub>) - MITO3X technology - (G)

- Effluent of the vacuum UV oxidation (VUV) (H)
- Effluent of reactive storage / Influent of the recirculation aquaculture system (RAS) (I)  $\rightarrow$



**Figure 2.** Diagram representing the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), advanced treatment and sampling points.

**Methods:** The section below summarises the procedures used for analytical control – detailed protocols are annexed to this protocol.




1d 0h 30m

## 2 Organic Contaminants:


**Analysis:** Screening of Organic Contaminants in Water.

### 2.1 Methods: Solid-phase extraction

## 2.1 Sample filtration (**0.45um** PVDF).





2.2 Collect  200 mL of the filtered water sample (e.g. volumetric flask or beaker) and spike with  50  $\mu$ L of an internal standard solution. Produce two  200 mL replicates per sample. Mix well after the internal standard is added.

### 2.3 Cleaning/Conditioning of the cartridges (OASIS HLB 200 mg )





3.1. Pass  5 mL of MeOH


3.2. Pass  5 mL of ultrapure water









- 2.4 Pass the  200 mL of sample
- 2.5 Rinse the volumetric flask or beaker that contained the sample with 2x  10 mL of ultrapure water, which are then passed through the cartridge
- 2.6 Drying the cartridge resin (e.g. N<sub>2</sub> flow for  00:30:00 ) 30m
- 2.7 Store the cartridges in a freezer (  -20 °C ) 1d

All samples are to be processed in duplicate.

For the cartridge blanks (n=2): start with  go to step #2.3 , and then spike directly on the cartridge the same amount of internal standard as for samples (  50 µL mix de  0 mL ). Then go directly to  go to step #2.6 .

For the ultrapure water blanks (n=2), the same type of sampling flasks are filled with ultrapure water  24:00:00 before sampling. Then they are treated using the same protocols as for samples.

Elution of the loaded cartridges was carried out by gravity using  10 mL of methanol followed by  10 mL of dichloromethane. The eluates were concentrated approximately to ca.  0.5 mL using a Turbovap II concentrator (Zymark, Hopkinton, MA, USA), then to dryness under a gentle nitrogen stream and finally reconstituted in  500 µL of methanol and filtered with a  1 µg mL GHP%<sub>000</sub>  13 mm syringe filter (Pall Corporation). The extracts were injected in an Agilent 1290 LC coupled with and Agilent 550 QTOF system.

## Parameters framed by Legal and Regulatory Requirements:

- 3 Using the EU Drinking Water Directive:



Organic contaminants - DIRECTIVE 2008/105/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL of 16 December 2008 on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy.

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