

DAIRY MANURE TREATMENT & NUTRIENT RECOVERY

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OBJECTIVES

- § Research and develop novel waste-to-resource technologies capable to convert organic wastes into value-added fuel and chemical products
- § Fulfill commercialization and technology transfer of new waste-to-resource concepts
- § Educate the next generation of engineers, scientists and policymakers on waste utilization design and practice



Manure Management Challenges & Opportunities

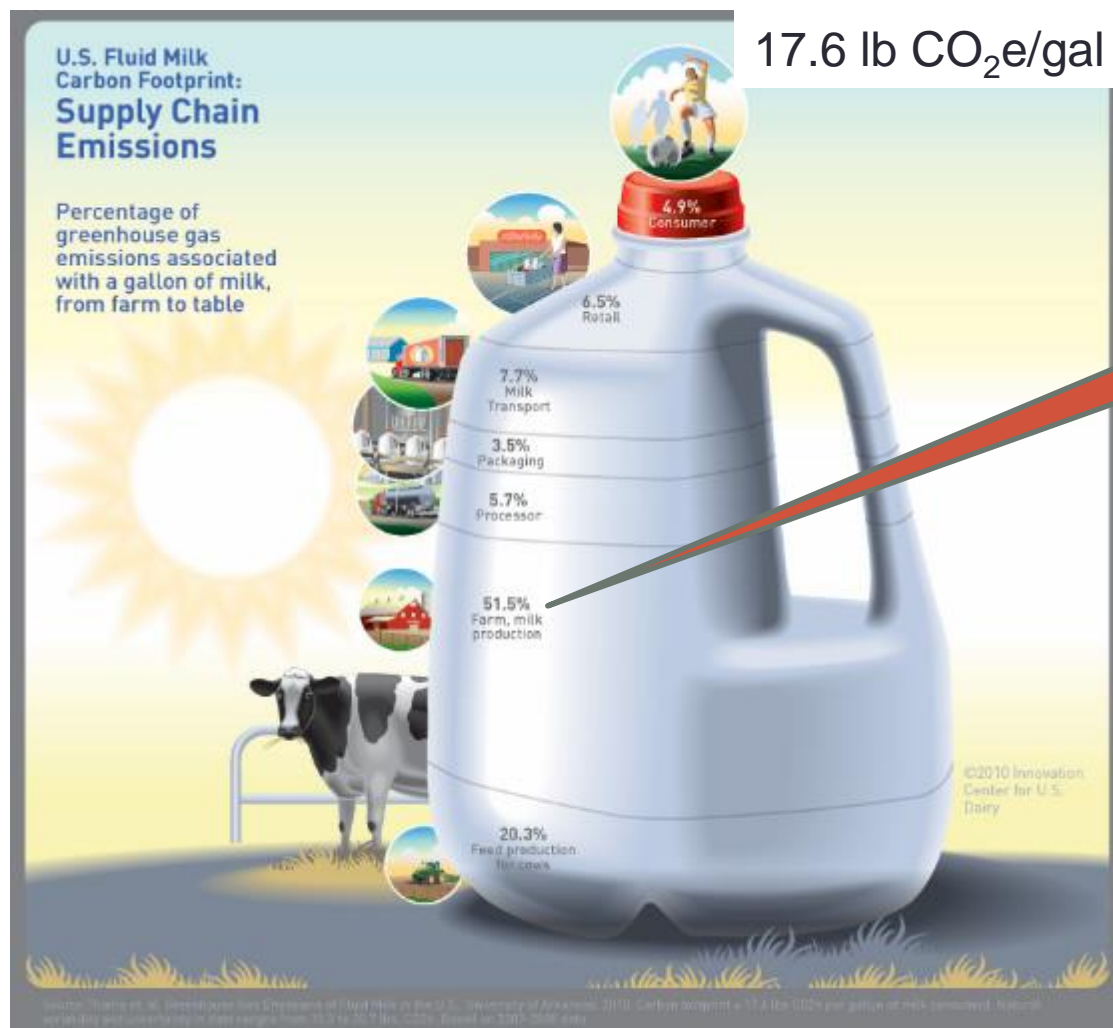


Recent Headlines

- Yakima, WA
 - 5 dairies
 - Lawsuit over groundwater contamination
 - Finding that manure is considered a solid waste when not beneficially
- Lake Erie
 - Blue-green algae blooms
 - Phosphorus is the trigger
 - Nitrogen impacts toxicity
 - City of Toledo water supply contaminated



Carbon Footprint of Milk



51.5%
at the
farm

Nutrient Value of Manure (per cow)

Nutrient	Production (lb/cow/yr)	Potential Value
Nitrogen (N)	223-260	\$174
Phosphorus (P ₂ O ₅)	40-69	\$32
Potassium (K ₂ O)	88-146	\$88
Total		\$294

The U.S. Dairy Industry is at a Critical Juncture

Current State

- § Increasing regulatory and societal pressure about manure management
- § Litigation
- § Surface and ground water issues related to nitrogen and phosphorus in the wrong places
- § Erosion in consumer trust



Desired State

- § Dairy farms help resolve societal issues related to water pollution and GHG emissions
- § Producers realize economic benefits from voluntary actions
- § Dairy industry improves social license to operate and increases consumer trust



Nutrient Recovery



Dissolved
Air Flotation



Belt Press

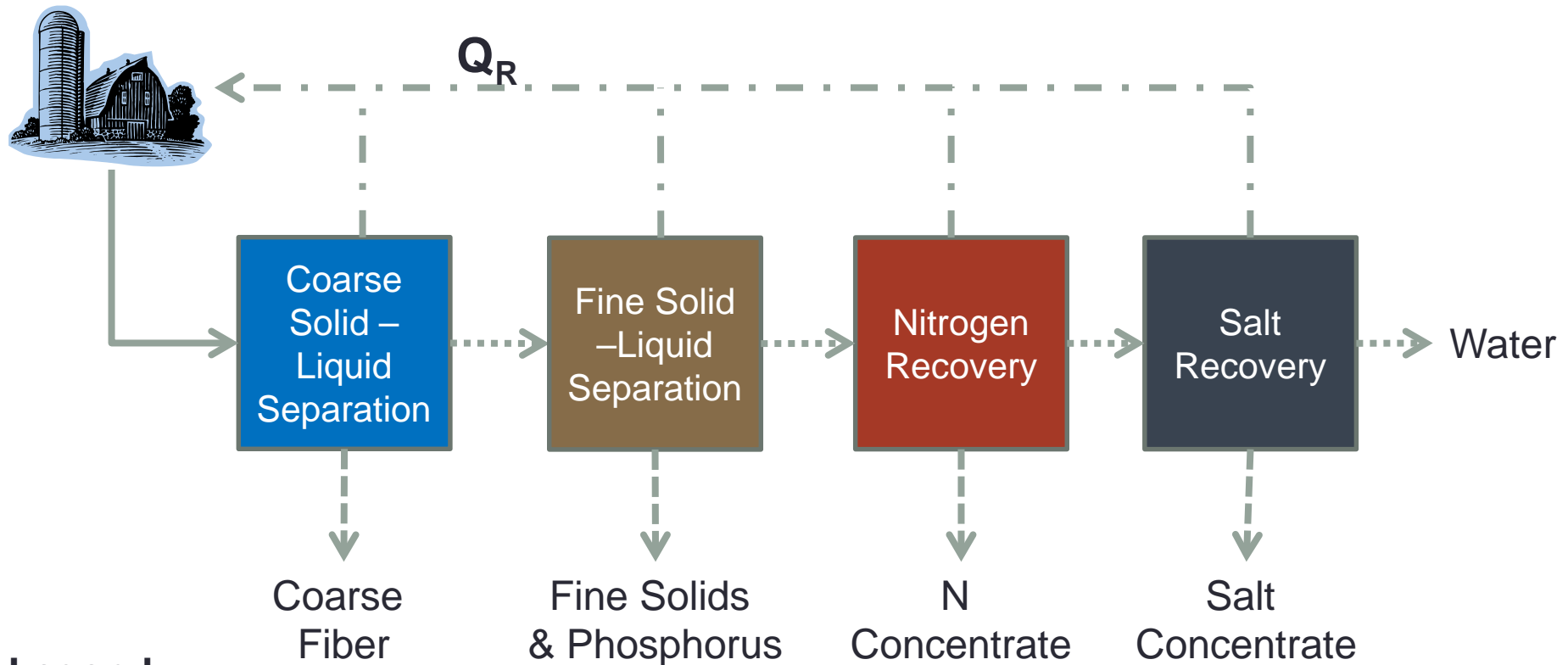


Thermal
Conversion



Clarification

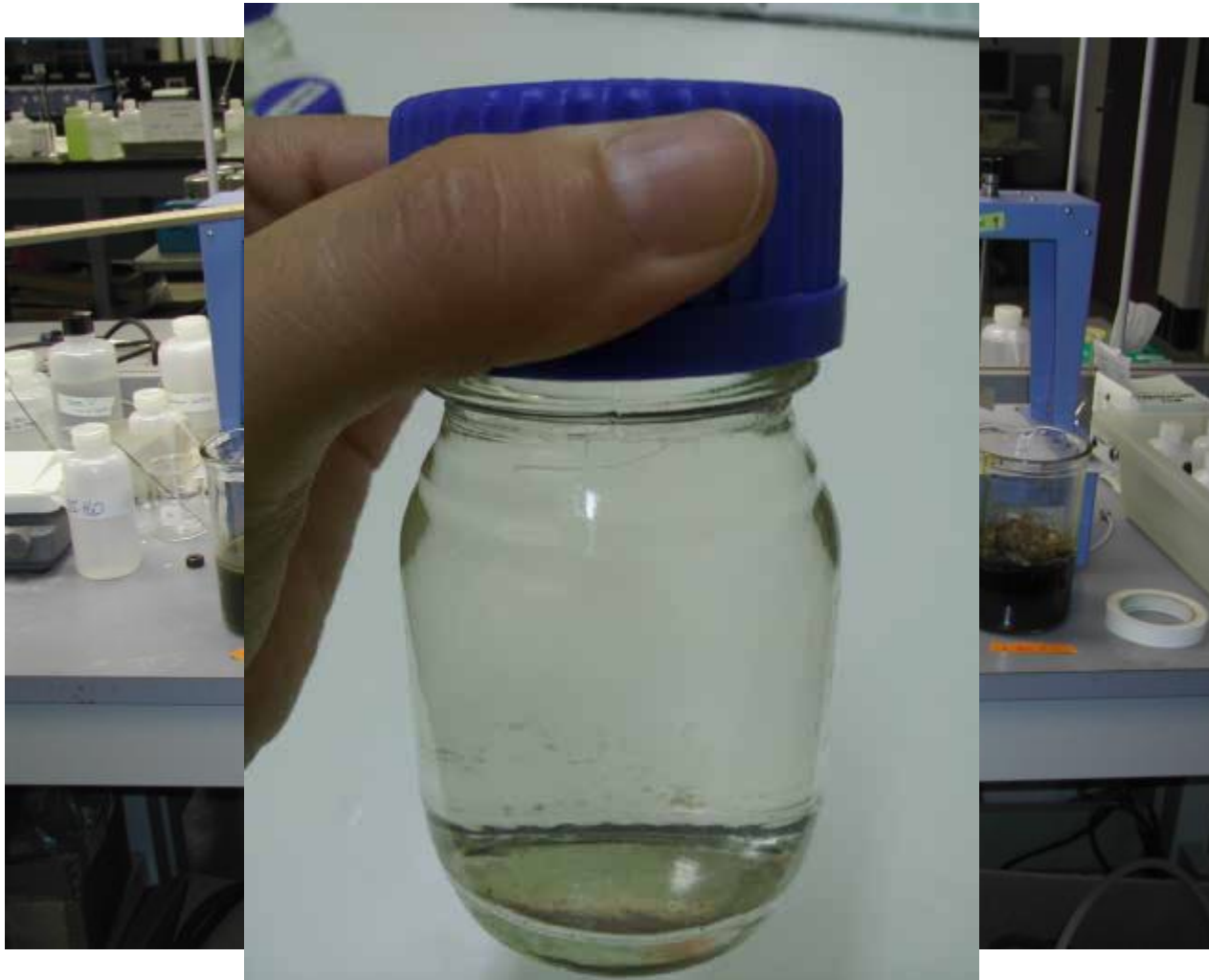
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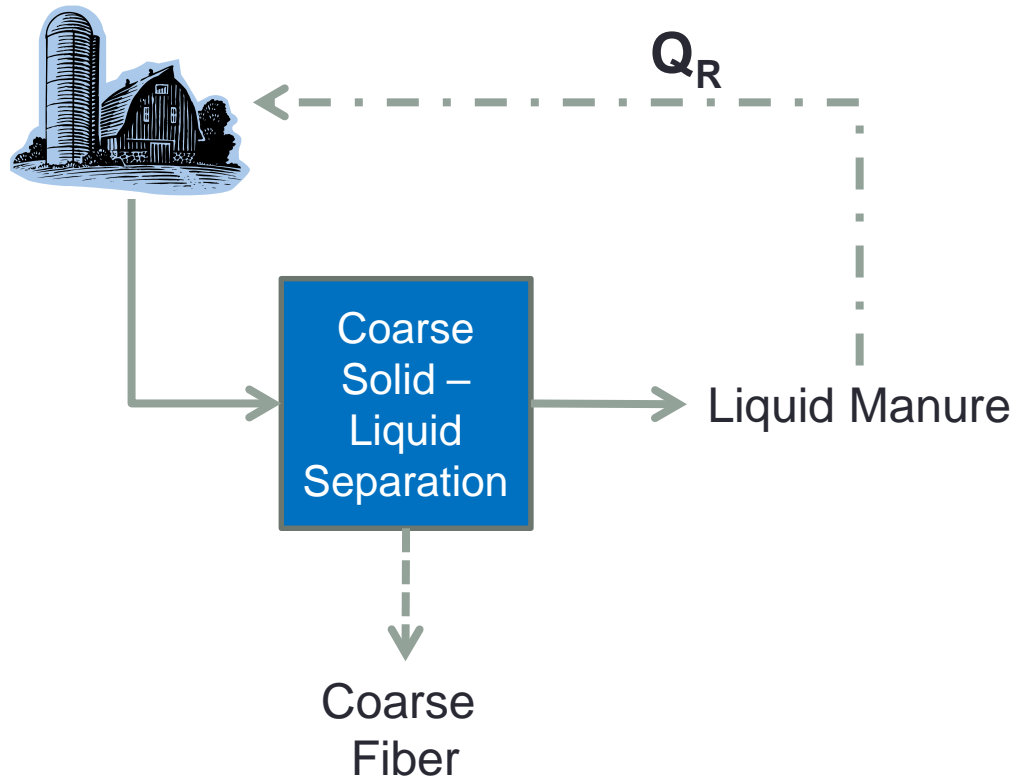
Legend

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- Filtrate
- · - Recycle (Q_R)

Significant Research & Development



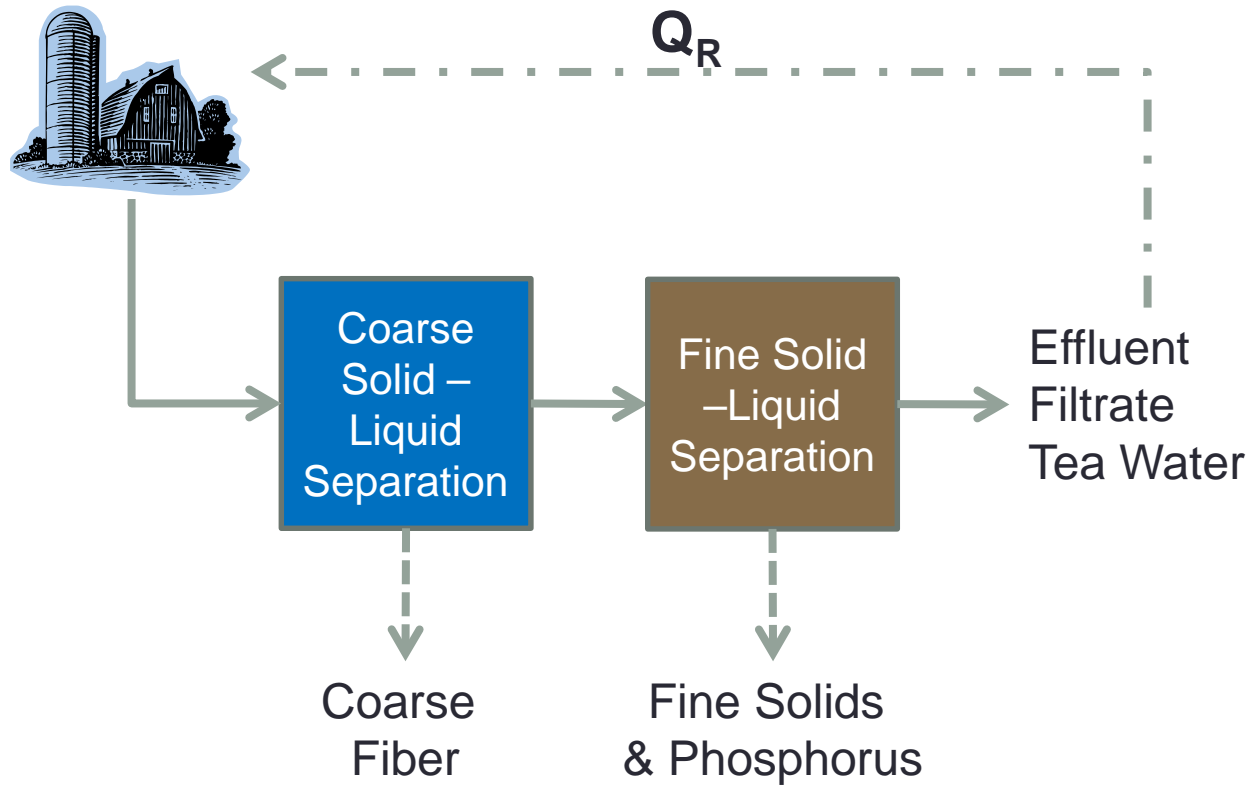
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Coarse Solid-Liquid Separation Approaches in the U.S. (\$/cow)

Technology	Performance		OPEX	CAPEX	Scale
	TN	TP			
Primary & Secondary Mechanical Screens	15 – 30%	15 – 25%	\$5 – 6	\$32 – 36	Commercial

Nutrient Recovery System



Fine Solid-Liquid Separation

- Why
 - Phosphorus limited
 - Reduced truck traffic or cost
 - Field distance
 - Desire to irrigate
 - Nutrient market opportunity
- Solids use
 - Soil amendment & fertilizer
 - Compost



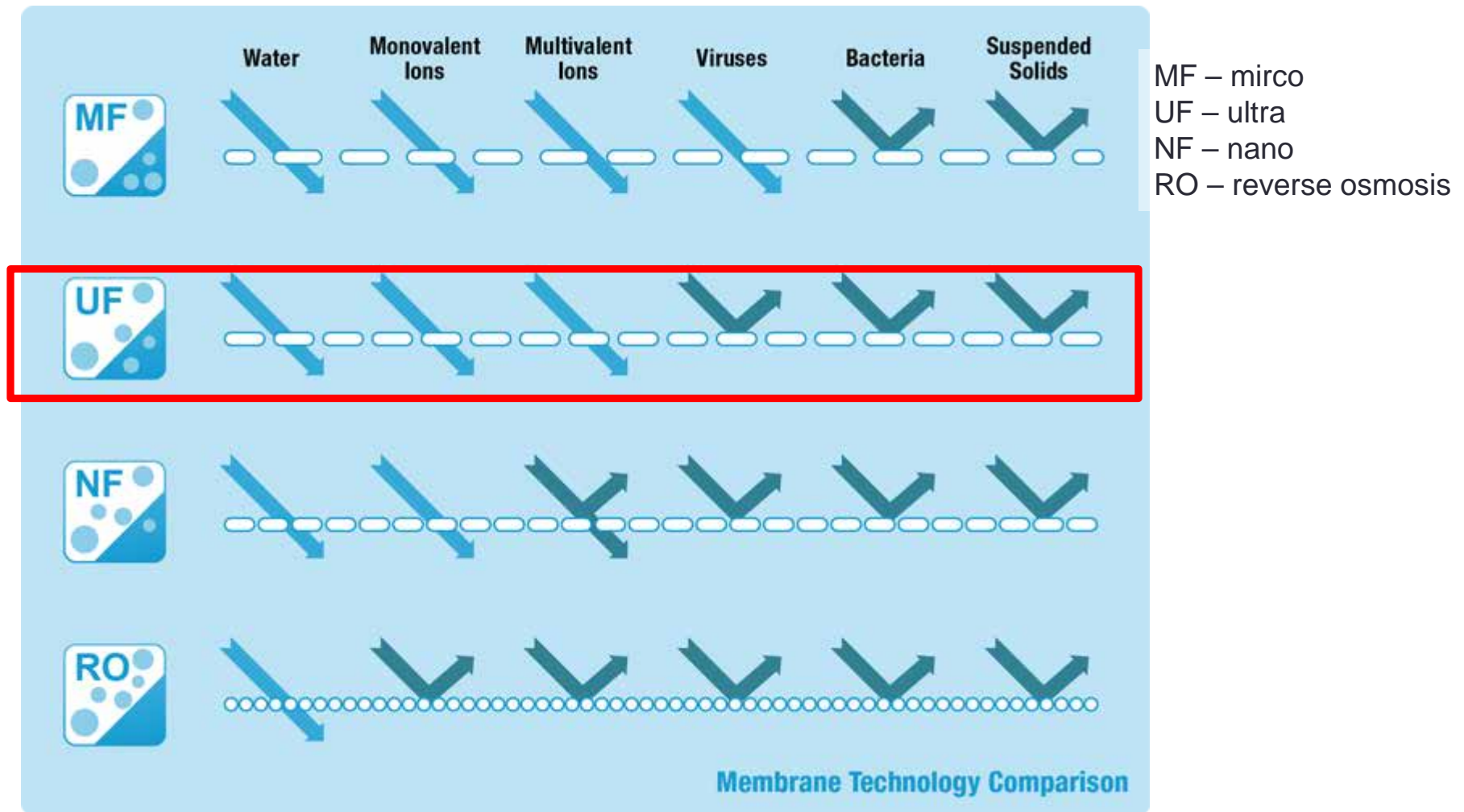
Fine Solid-Liquid Separation

- Phosphorus, organic nitrogen & colloidal solids are target
 - Phosphorus separation >70%
- Particle sizes less than 250 micron
 - As fine as 0.01 micron
- Technologies:
 - Sequential separators
 - Chemical additions
 - Belt filter presses
 - Dissolved air floatation
 - Clarifiers
 - Ultrafiltration



Phosphorus Cake

Membrane Separation Technologies



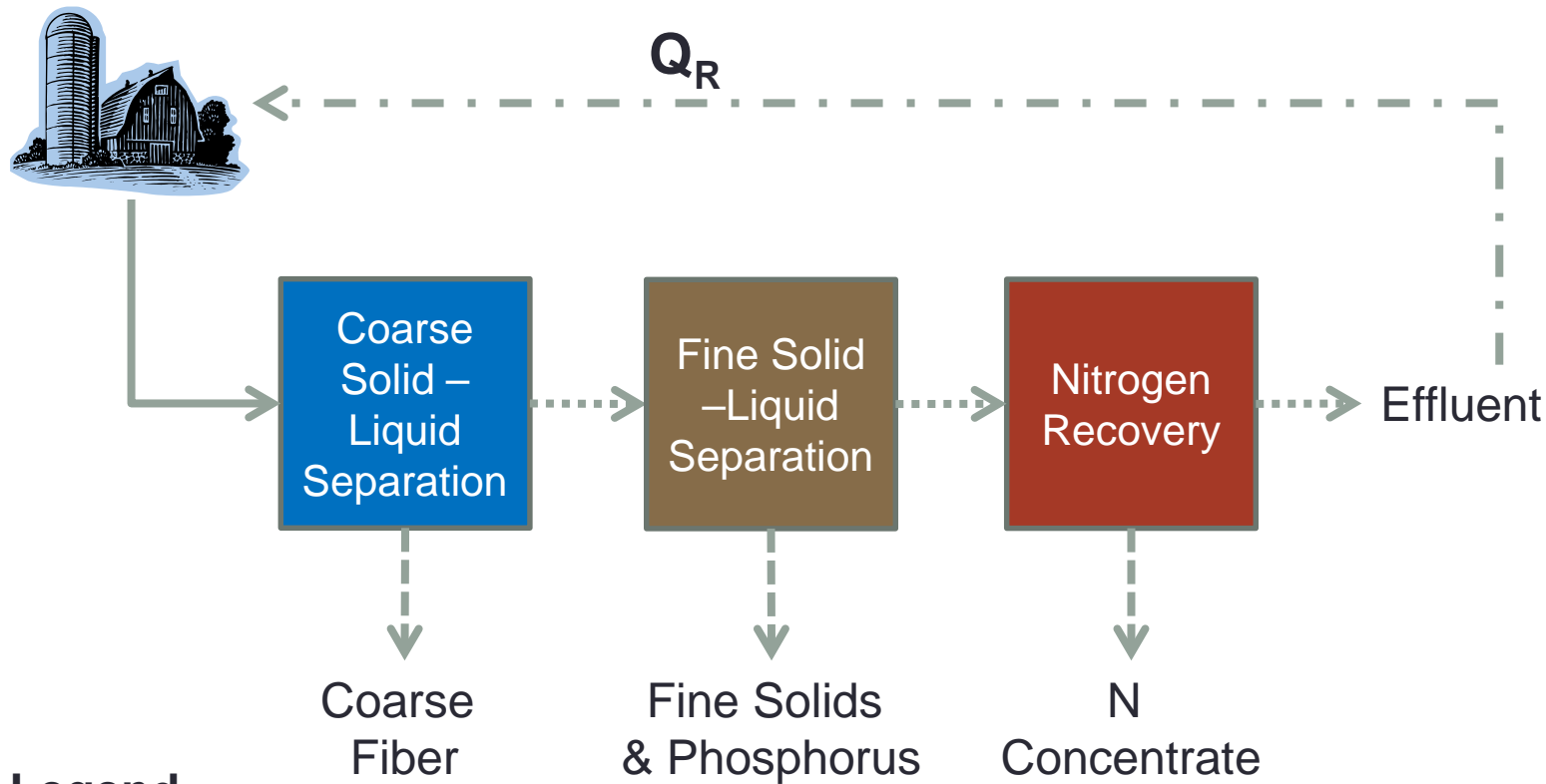
Fine Solids Products



Fine Solid-Liquid Separation Approaches in the U.S. (\$/cow)

Technology	Performance		OPEX	CAPEX	Scale
	TN	TP			
Sequential Screening + Advance Non-Chemical	24 – 30%	50-65%	\$25 – 50	\$57 – 136	Commercial
Sequential Screening + Advance Chemical	45 – 55%	75 – 90%	\$25 – 75	\$130 – 150	Commercial
Struvite Crystallization	30%	75%	\$90 – 110	\$100 – 150	Commercial

Nutrient Recovery System



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Nitrogen Recovery

- Why
 - Application restrictions
 - Desire to irrigate
 - Nutrient market opportunity
- Technology
 - Air stripping
 - Temp, pH & ammonia concentration sensitive
 - Biological conversion
- Product use
 - Nitrogen gas or fertilizer
 - Low nutrient water

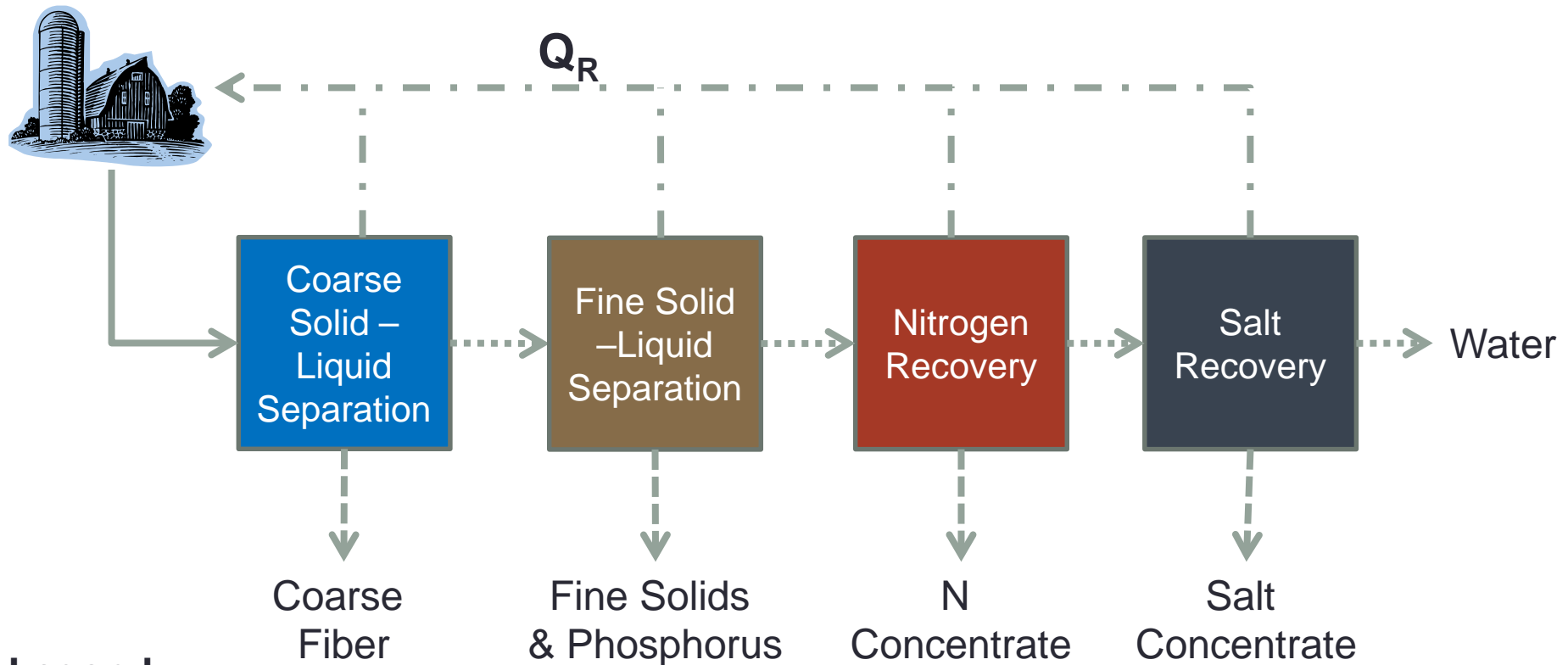


<http://nsspo.com/p1/Nitrification.htm>

Nitrogen Recovery Approach in the U.S. (\$/cow)

Technology	Performance		OPEX	CAPEX	Scale
	TN	TP			
Ammonia Stripping	65 – 85%	85 – 90%	\$100 – 190	\$450 – 650	Commercial

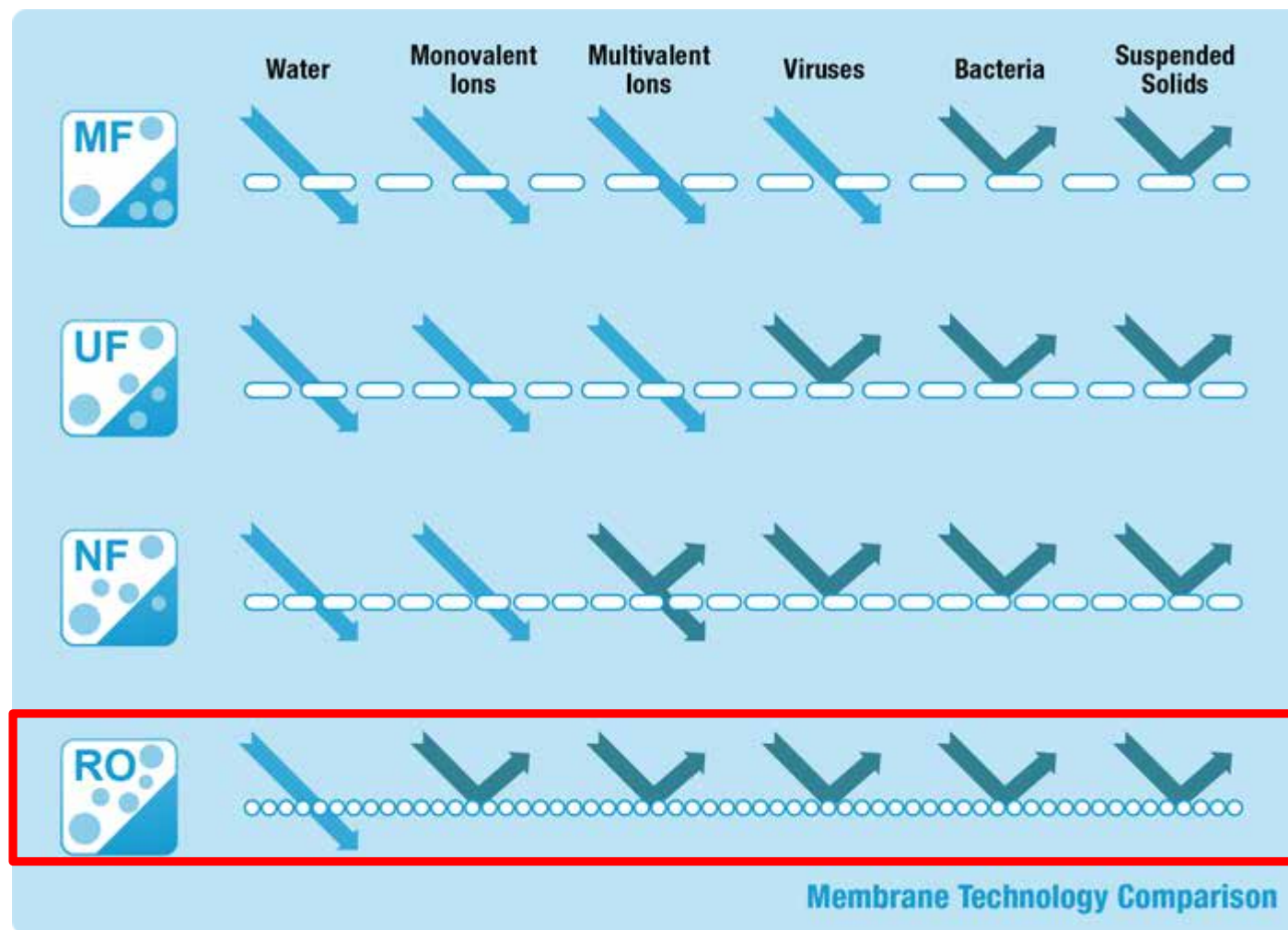
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Salt (Water) Recovery Technology

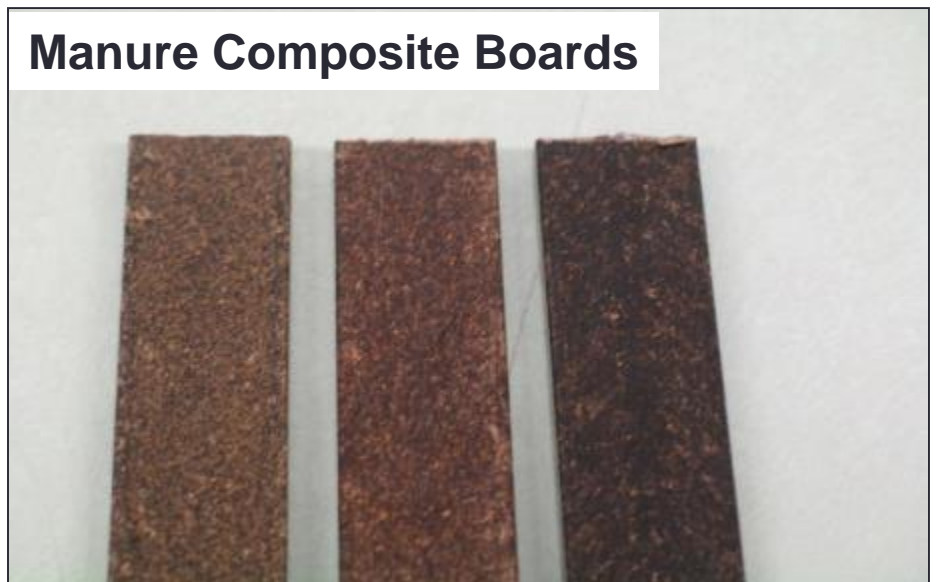


MF – micro
UF – ultra
NF – nano
RO – reverse osmosis

Clean Water Approach in the U.S. (\$/cow)

Technology	Performance		OPEX	CAPEX	Scale
	TN	TP			
Salt Recovery	85 – 95%	85 – 95%	\$500–1,000	\$1,500–1,800	Commercial

Products & Markets



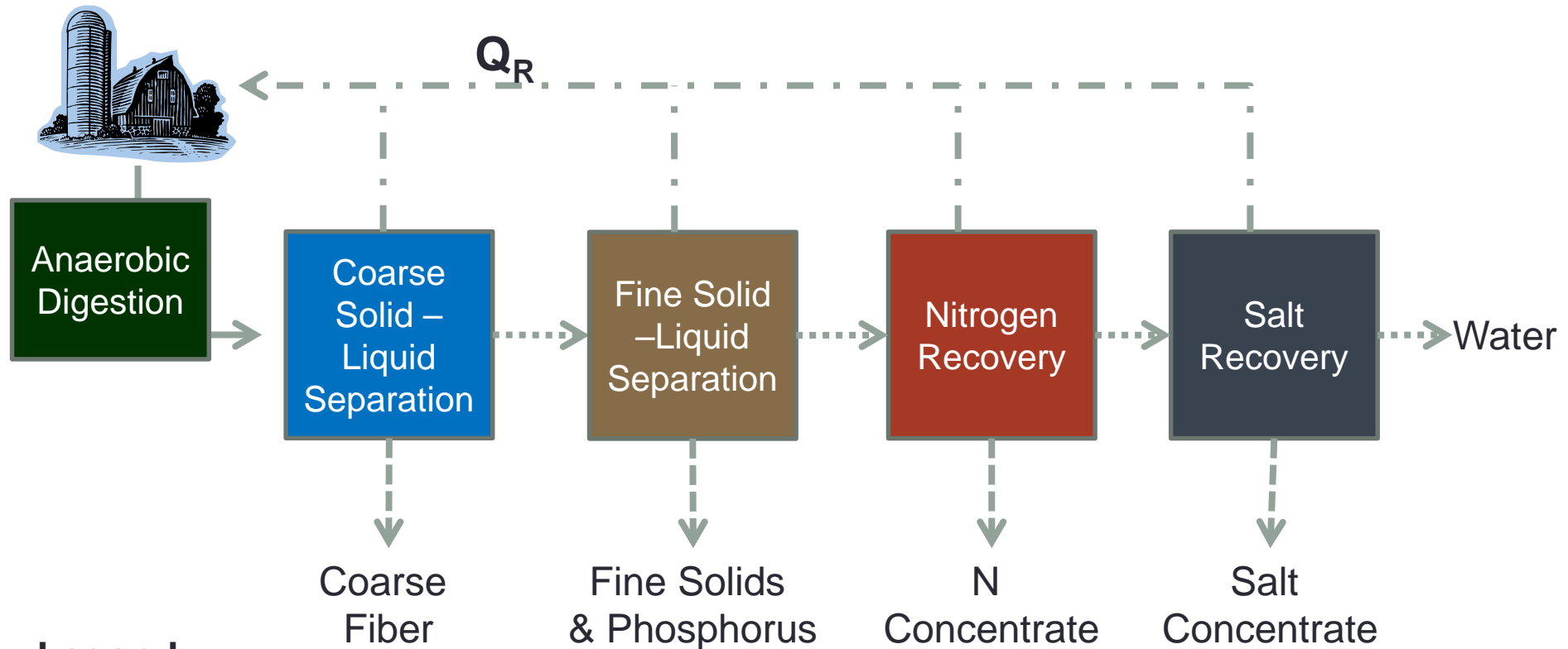
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Raw vs. Digested Dairy Manure



Raw Manure Application

Digested Manure Application

Nutrient Recovery Advancing Quickly



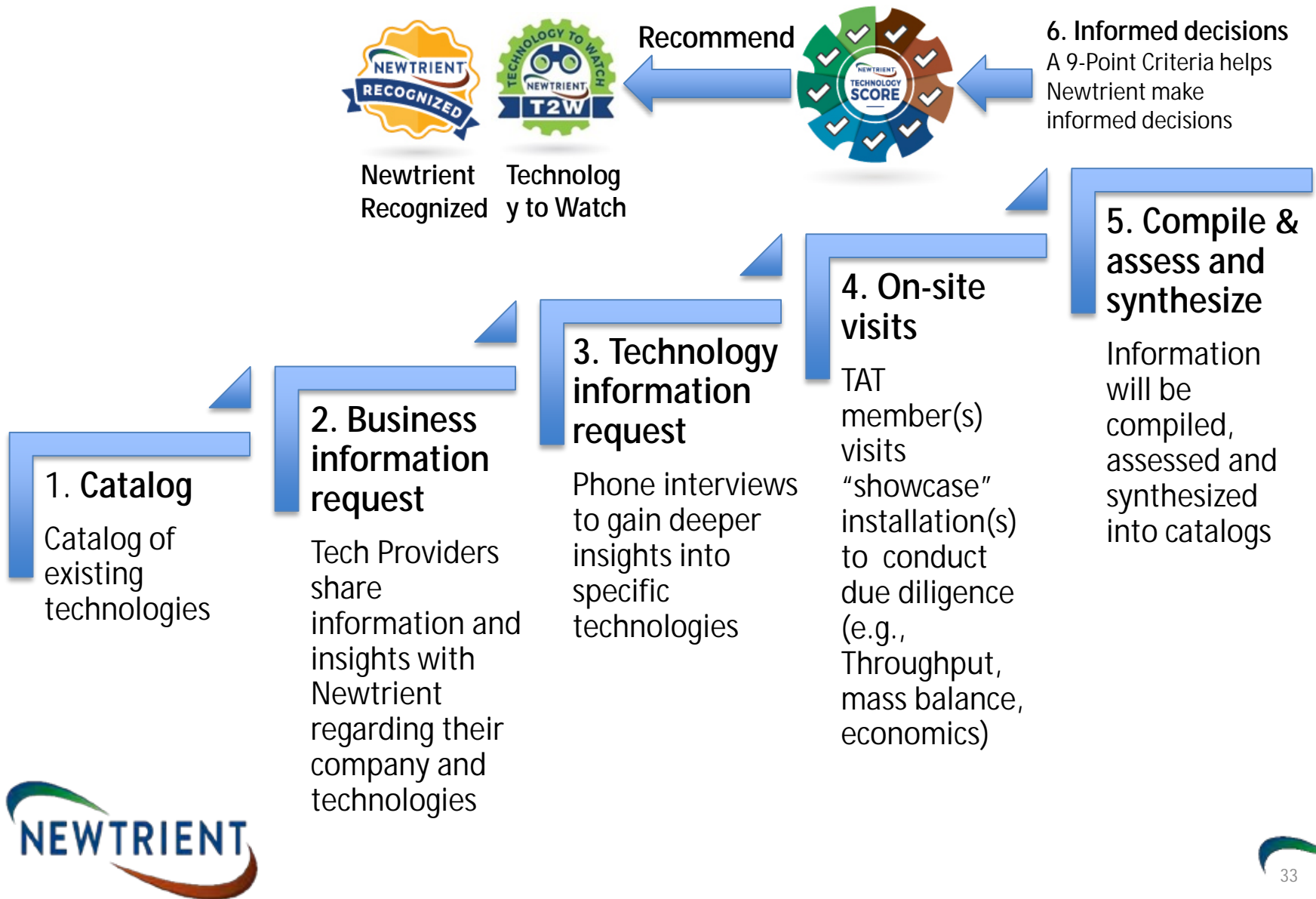
Where do we stand today

- Manure application costs inexpensive
- Social pressure extremely high
- Manure handling & storage practices consistent
- Nutrient recovery technologies
 - Commercially viable technologies available
 - Capital and operational costs are high
 - Nutrients do not go away, still require management
 - Systems can be developed to address site specific needs
 - Markets for products not yet developed

“Newtrient is excited to be a driver of positive change in the emerging industry of dairy manure use and management. By serving as a catalyst advancing new technologies, practices, products and markets, we help generate profits for farmers, while at the same time preserving and enhancing the environment.”



Technology Advancement Process Steps



Questions?

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