

# ENERGY EXCELLENCY INNOVATION

*NXO-E, your cleantech specialized in water and industrial decarbonation*

## NXSTEP

A new generation of wastewater treatment plants ...  
For new resources



let's dare together....

## STATEMENTS

*! Current technologies are energy-intensive*

*! ... wich increase the price of water for subscribers.*

*! CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions during the purification process are equivalent to 1% of overall greenhouse gas emissions in France.*

## CONVICTIONS

*! The scarcity of resources augures the necessities of Sobriety and Recycling.*

*! Fight against climate change is everyone's business.*

*! We are not inventing anything that nature has not already created*

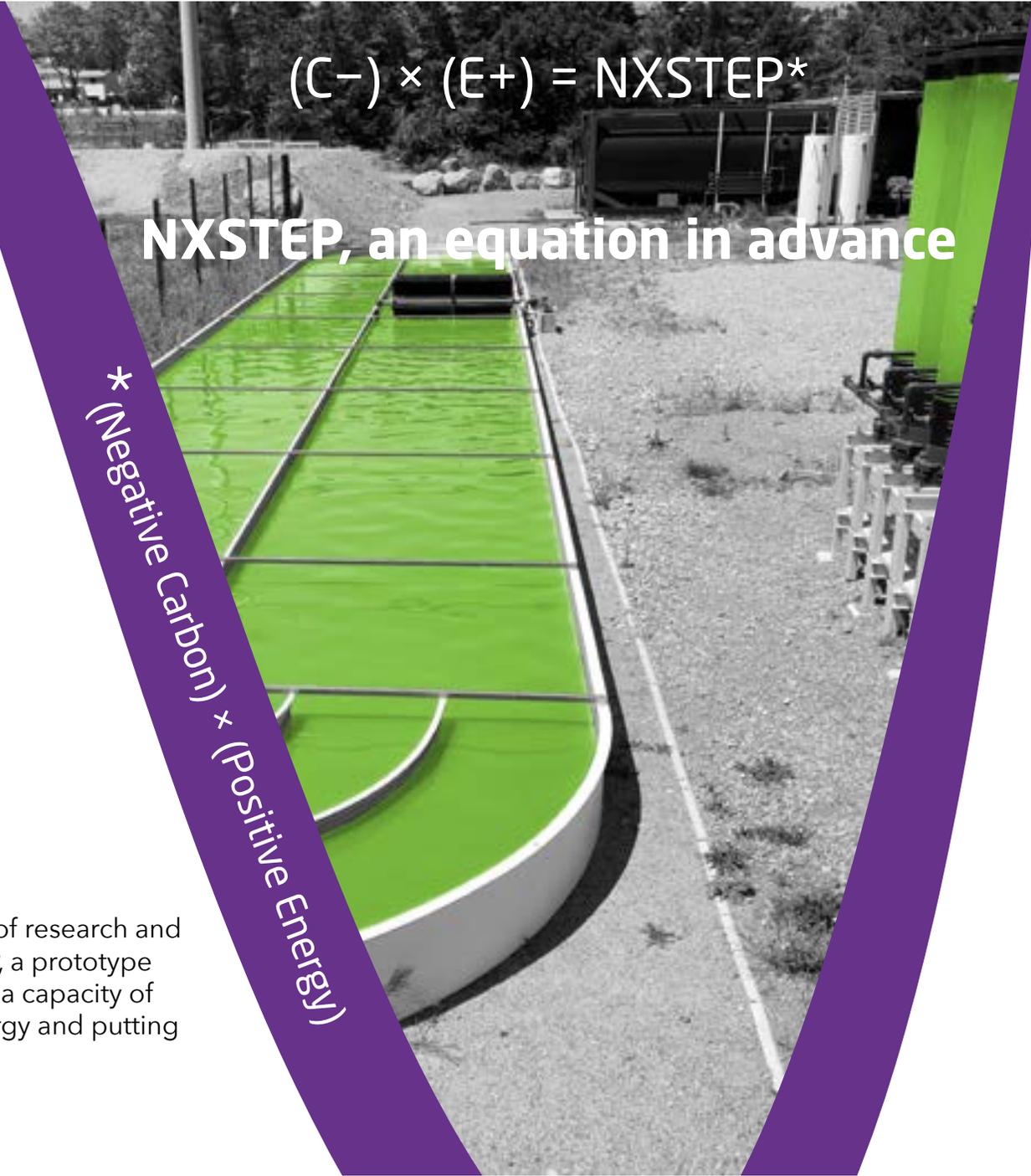
$$(C-) \times (E+) = NXSTEP^*$$

# NXSTEP, an equation in advance

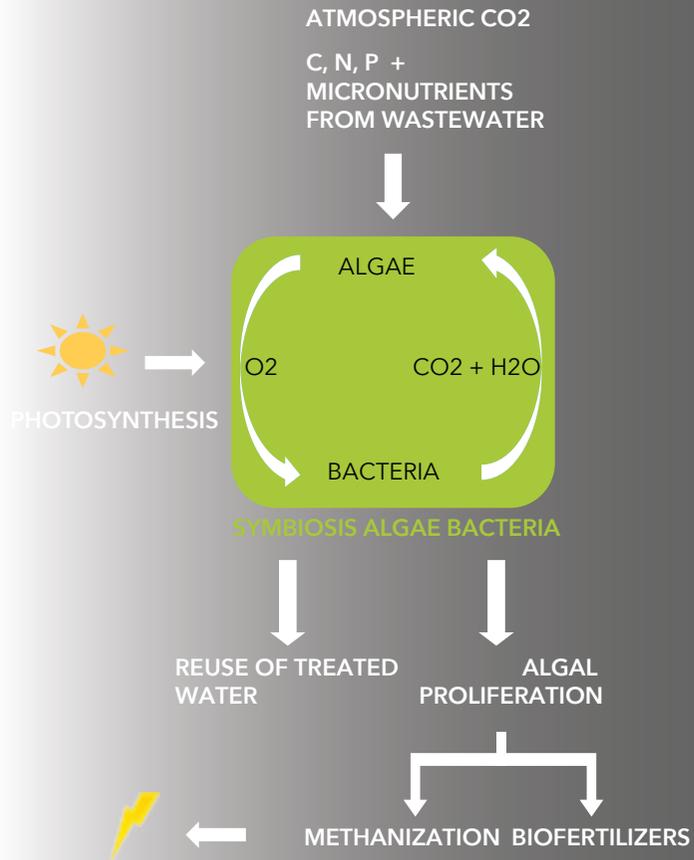
\* (Negative Carbon) × (Positive Energy)

## THINK DIFFERENTLY ABOUT SANITATION

On the strength of our convictions, and after 5 years of research and development, NXO designed and produced NXSTEP, a prototype of a new generation wastewater treatment plant with a capacity of 100PE. The process is Negative Carbon, Positive Energy and putting ALGAE at the heart of treatment.



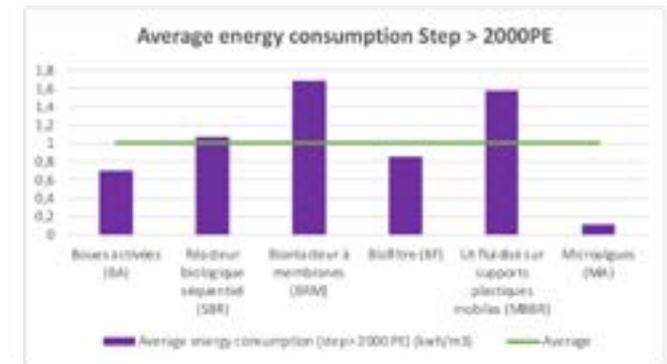
# PRINCIPLE OF NXSTEP OPERATION



## A TOTEM : ENERGY EFFICIENCY

The average energy consumption of French stations in 2018 (for the activated sludge sector, i.e. 35% of the French plants) was 0.8 kWh / m<sup>3</sup> of treated water.

The NXSTEP process is satisfied with 0.12kWh / m<sup>3</sup>.



## AN AMBITION : ENERGY AUTONOMY

NXSTEP works in complete autonomy thanks to the production of renewable energies (methane) from wastewater. The sludges generates an energy surplus that can be marketed or used in cogeneration.

Références : Study IRSTEA 2018 :  
« CONSOMMATIONS ÉNERGÉTIQUES DES STATIONS D'ÉPURATION FRANÇAISES » État des lieux et recommandations.

## NXSTEP, NEGATIVE CARBON FOOTPRINT

CO<sub>2</sub> Consumption (photosynthesis) =  
26 tonnes of remedied CO<sub>2</sub>/year/100PE

+

Energy efficiency =  
255 tonnes of avoided CO<sub>2</sub>/year/100PE

+

No release of N<sub>2</sub>O (nitrous oxide)

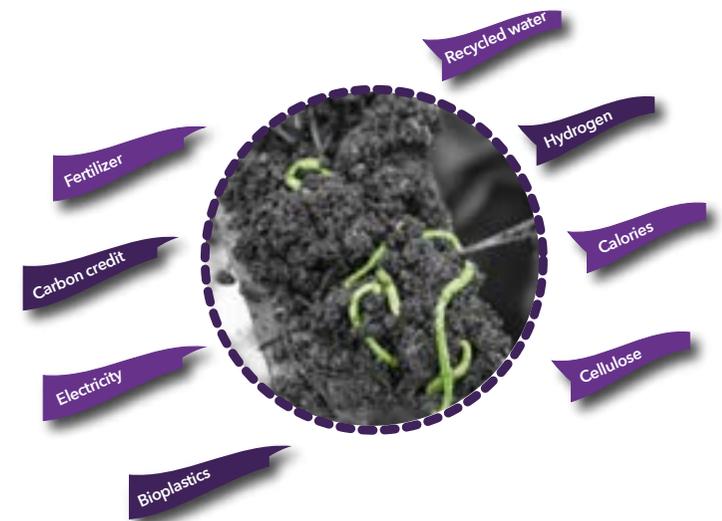
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**NEGATIVE  
GREENHOUSE  
GAS IMPACT**

A zero chemical and zero waste water treatment plant

- NXO has developed a biocoagulant based on cactus sap allowing to bypass the metal salts.
- Finally, like vegetable waste, algal digestates are valued as biofertilizers.

**NXSTEP, ENHANCE AND TREAT: THE SAME REQUIREMENT**



### **NXSTEP, a profound change of paradigm**

It is no longer a question of simply treating wastewater but of developing its resources. These productions generate income and streamline the costs of processing secondary products resulting from conventional treatment (refusal of screening, sludge, digestates, etc.).

### **Optimum performance levels**

Anxious to respond to future regulatory changes, NXO has opted, from the design stage, for a "SENSITIVE ZONE" treatment target. Two years of experience feedback and several measurement campaigns (CNRS monitoring) have ensured the quality of the treatment of NXSTEP.

## VOLTA PROGRAM: INNOVATE TO ADAPT

In 2021, NXO technology was named the winner of the «I-NOV» innovation competition sponsored by ADEME and BPI as part of the investments Projects for the future.

VOLTA (*Valorization of wastewater via Light Energy and Algae Technologies*) aims to develop the first 500 pe pre-industrial demonstrator of a positive-energy wastewater treatment plant with a negative carbon footprint and zero chemicals. ``

Start of work: First trimester 2022

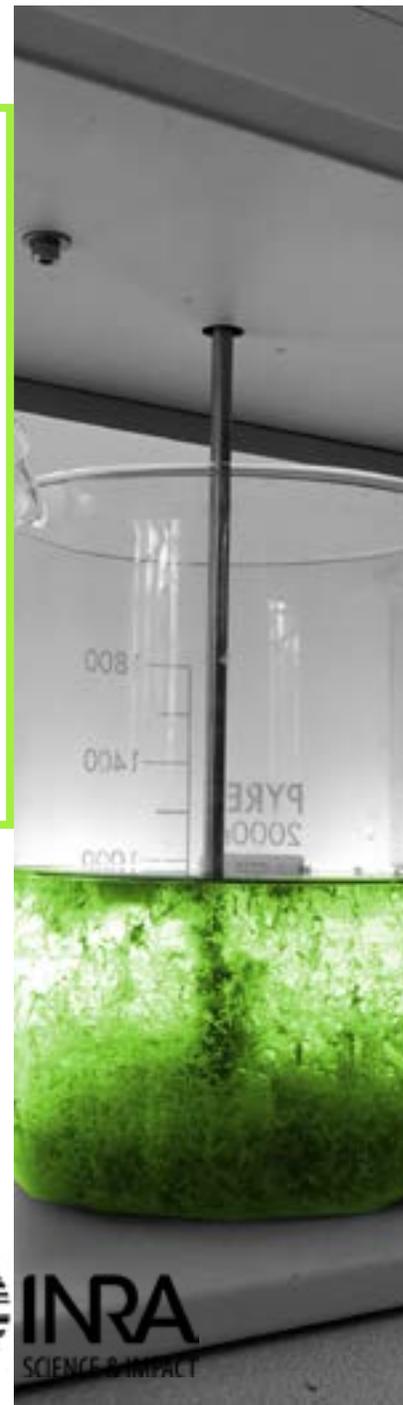
Completion date: 2023

VOLTA is a semi-extensive technology, its land settlement is similar to reed bed's plants.

VOLTA wishes to adapt the process to urban constraints and therefore strictly limit land use, NXO has invested financial and intellectual resources in order to design PHOTO-BIOREACTORS (PBRs) where favorable growing conditions are constantly met. PBRs are microcosms of controlled eutrophication where we purify wastewater through the production of microalgae which will then be used for the generation of biogas.

## A PROGRAM, MANY PARTNERS

NXSTEP and VOLTA benefit from the expertise of the science community and the local authorities at the national and local levels. The originality of the approach arise a wave of interest in the scientific community inherent both in the choice of the depollution matrix (microalgae) and in the destination of the technology (WWTP).



WINNER 2021

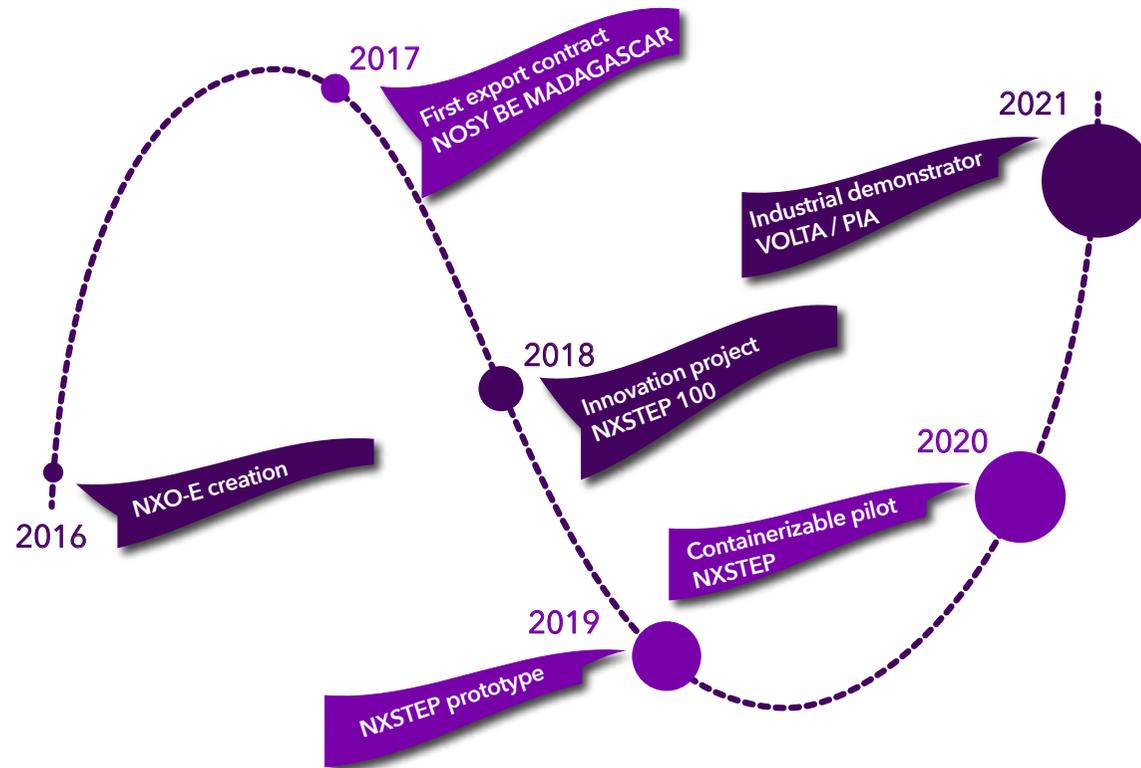
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VOLTA PROGRAM



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## NXO, YOUR COMMITTED PARTNER



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« In the world to come, signage will not be enough to meet environmental challenges. NXSTEP and VOLTA aim to tackle all the themes of the transition energy and environment to offer a structuring and integrated approach to sanitation.

In the light of this new century and the related challenges, sanitation should no longer be a burden financial for the community but an opportunity of resources. Microalgae contribute to this change in status and image. By offering a virtuous and economically innovative sanitation model, this new model augurs new hopes.»

