

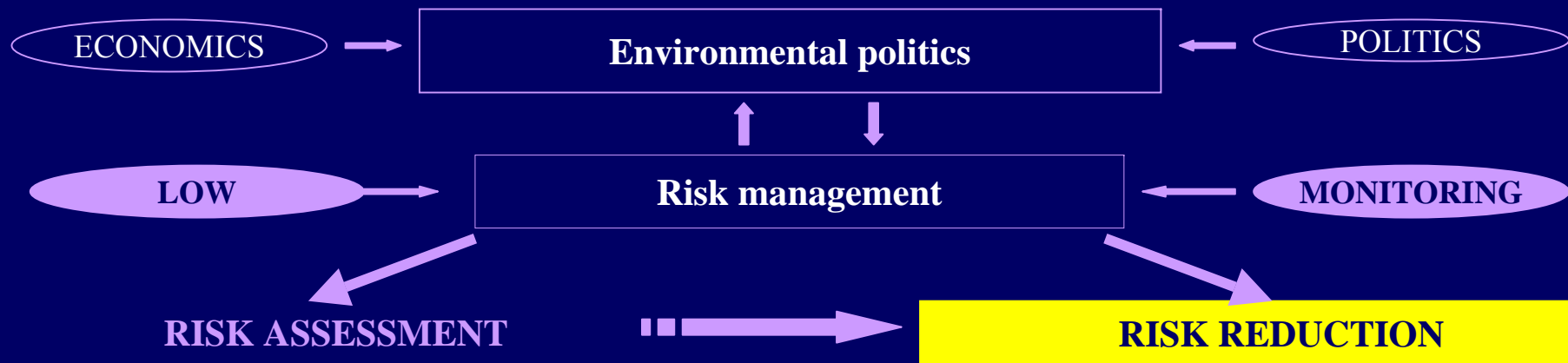
# Soil remediation

**Risk assessment and risk  
reduction of chemicals  
in the environment**

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# Tools of environmental management



1. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

2. RISK ASSESSMENT

Generic / site specific

Qualitative/ Quantitative

Ecological / Human health

1. PREVENTION

2. RESTRICTION

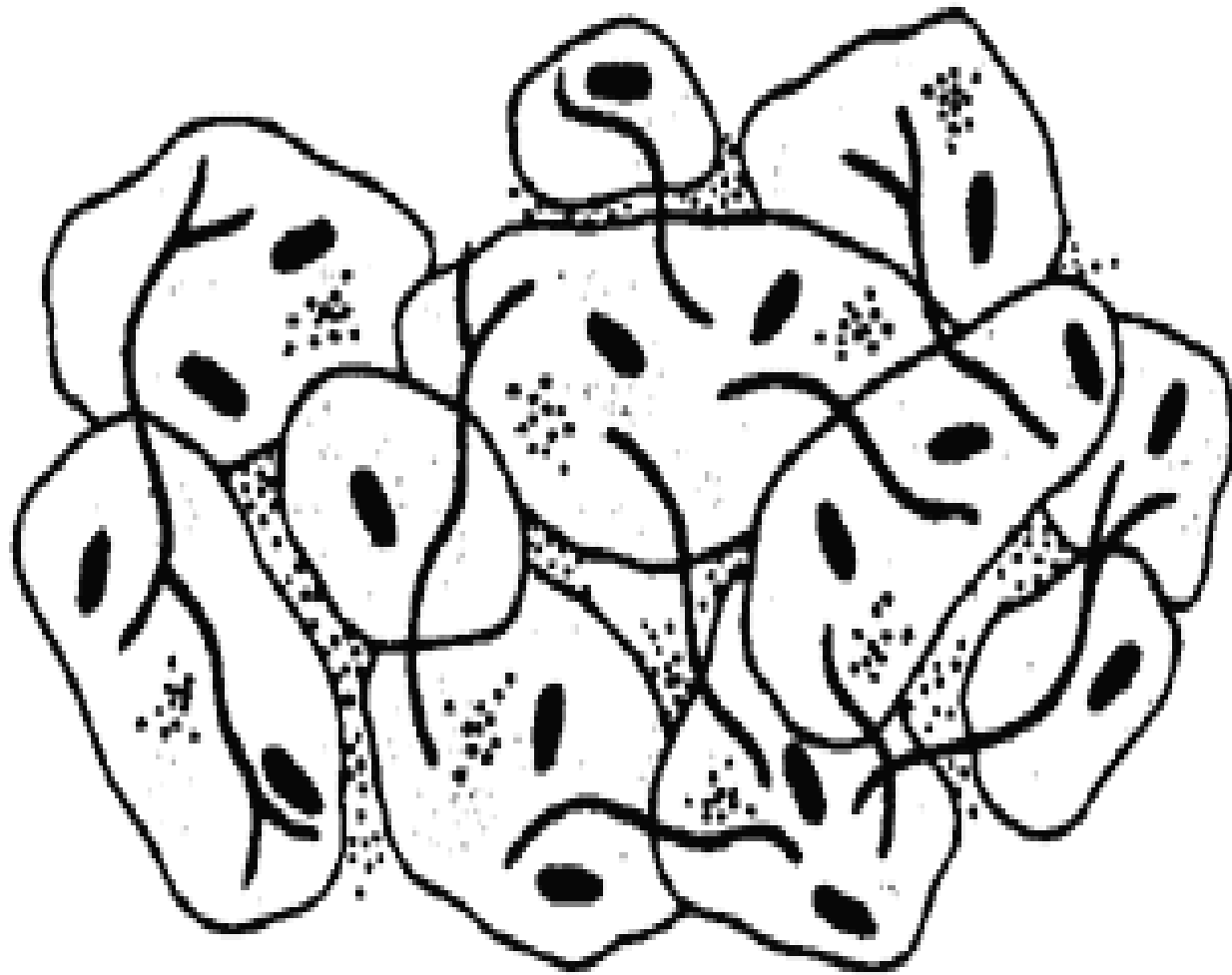
3. REMEDIATION

Physico-chemical technologies

Bioremediation

Ecotechnologies

# Microbes on the surface of soil particles



bacterial cells

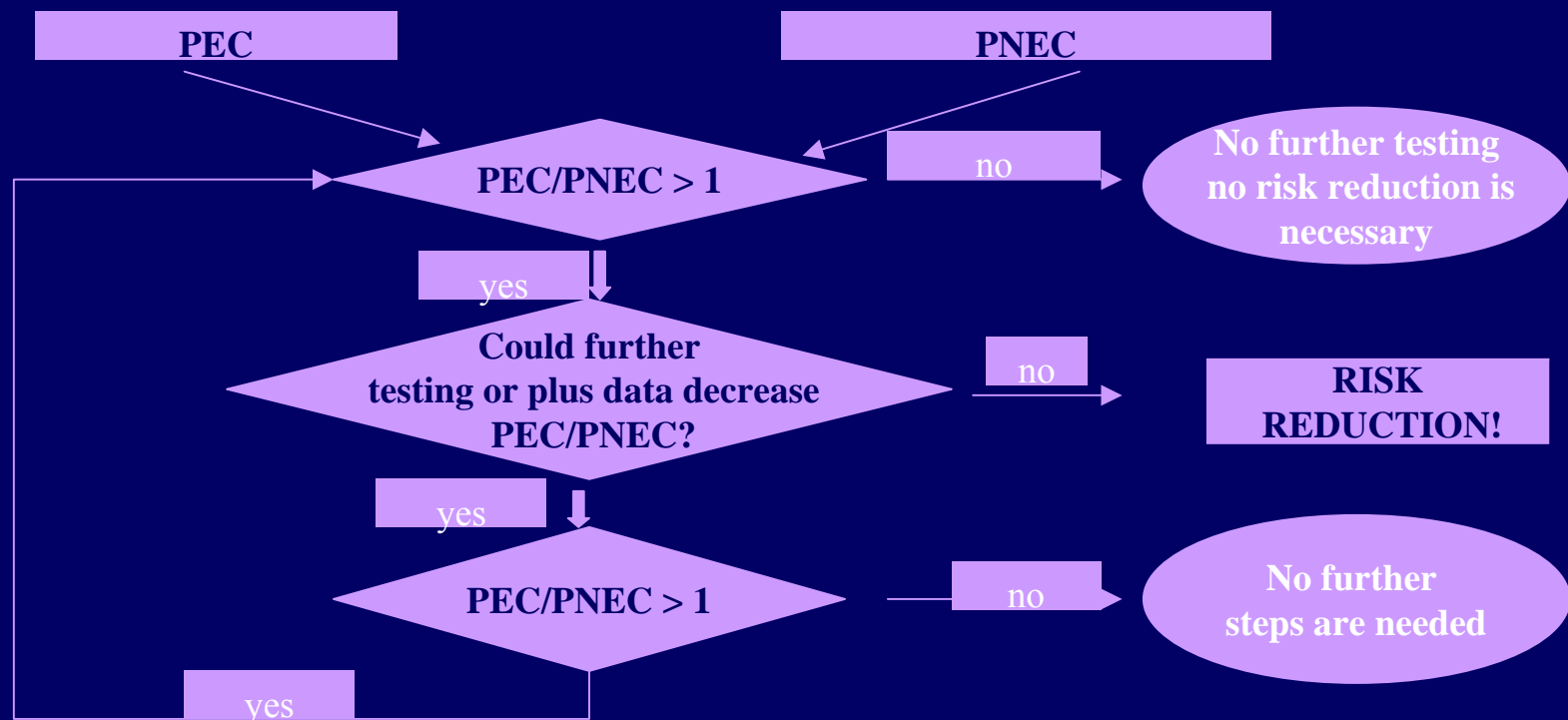
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protozoon

# Quantitative environmental risk assessment of substances in soil

Characteristics of the risk assessment procedure:

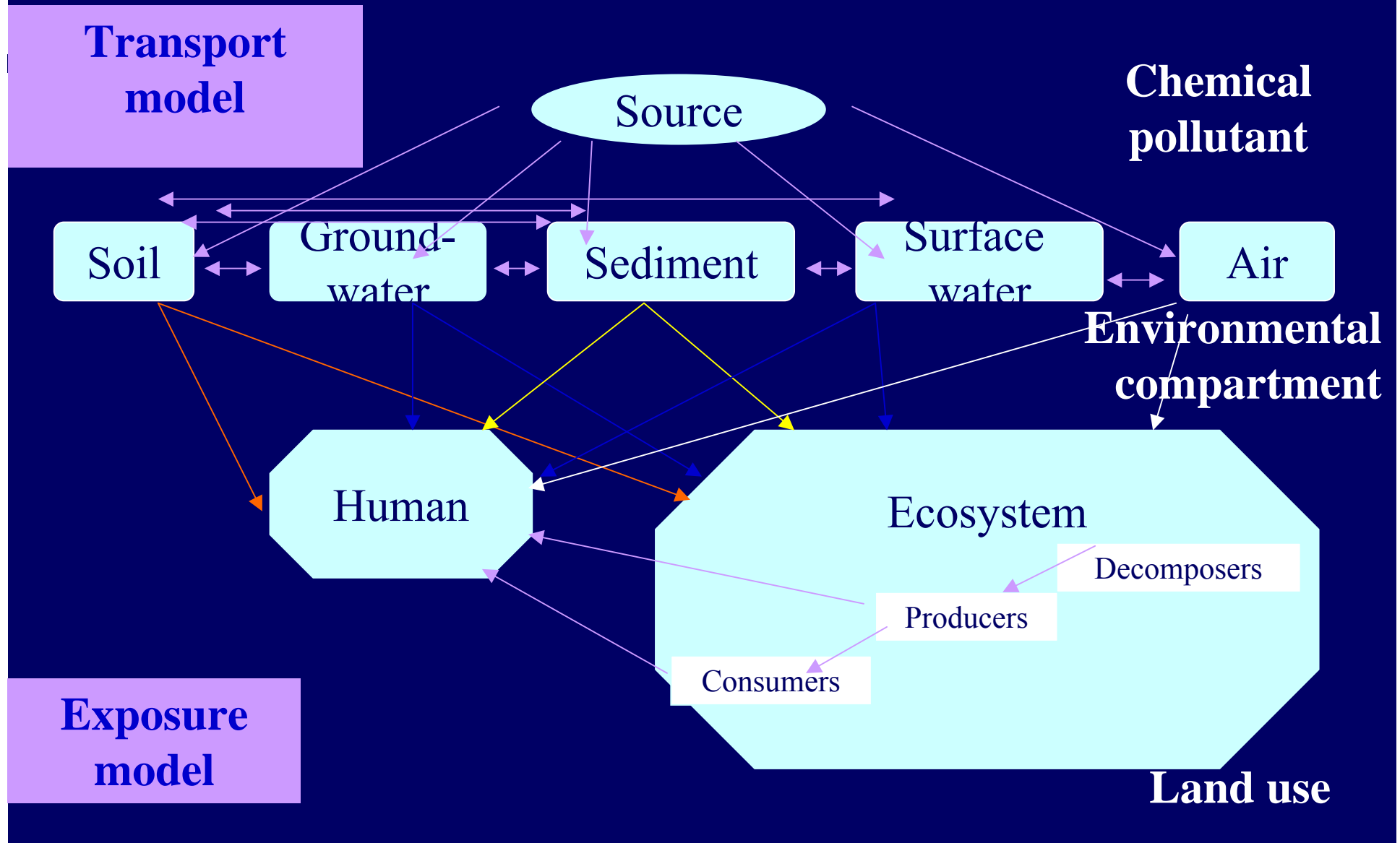
- gradual procedure (cost effective),
- iterative
- it uses worst case estimation (pessimistic model)
- it works also in case of lack of data (exclusion)



PEC = Predicted Environmental Concentration

PNEC: Predicted No Effect (on the ecosystem) Concentration

# Integrated risk model of a contaminated site



## Remediation by mobilisation of the contaminant

| Chemical characteristics of the contaminant | Contaminated soil air   | Contaminated ground water   | Contaminated solid phase  |
|---|---|---|---|
| Volatile                                    | Based on biodegradation<br>Soil gas extraction and ex situ treatment    | Based on biodegradation<br>Stripping  | Based on biodegradation<br>Soil vapour extraction and ex situ treatment   |
| Water soluble                               | Based on biodegradation<br>Soil vapour extraction and ex situ treatment | Ground water pump and treat, or in situ treatment<br>Based on biodegradation<br>Based on chemical reactions<br>Fitoremediation<br>Active subsurface walls<br>Electrokinetic remediation | Based on biodegradation<br>Bioleaching<br>Soil washing<br>Thermal desorption<br>In situ chemical oxidation<br>Electrokinetic remediation  |
| Sorbable                                    | Based on biodegradation<br>Soil vapour extraction and ex situ treatment | Based on Biodegradation<br>Ground water pump and treat  | Based on biodegradation<br>Bioleaching<br>Fitoremediation<br>Chemical extraction<br>Grain size fractionation<br>Thermal desorption<br>Thermal oxidation<br>Pyrolysis<br>Vitrification |

## Remediation by immobilisation of the contaminant

| Chemical characteristics of the contaminant | Contaminated soil air  | Contaminated ground water   | Contaminated solid phase  |
|---|--|---|---|
| <b>Volatile</b>                             | Isolation<br>Chemical immobilisation   | Biological immobilisation<br>Chemical immobilisation  | Gas-adsorption on solid phase<br>Chemical immobilisation  |
| <b>Water soluble</b>                        | Isolation<br>Physico-chemical immobilisation<br>(precipitation, increasing sorption) | Biological immobilisation<br>Rhizofiltration<br>Increasing sorption<br>Precipitation, decreasing solubility<br>Chemical oxidation / reduction | Biological immobilisation<br>Phytostabilisation<br>Increasing sorption<br>Chemical oxidation / reduction<br>Physico-chemical stabilisation                              |
| <b>Sorbable</b>                             |  | Biological immobilisation<br>Rysofiltration<br>Increasing sorption<br>Precipitataion, decreasing solubility<br>Chemical oxidation / reduction | Biological immobilisation<br>Phytostabilisation<br>Increasing sorption<br>Chemical oxidation / reduction<br>Physico-chemical stab.<br>Vitrification: Ceramic production |

# Bioremediation

## I. Based on biodegradation

The biodegradation of the contaminants in the soil or in the ground water is ensured by the genetical and biochemical potential of the soil microbes.

The pollutants get into the element cycle on the same pathway as the natural organic matter.

Type of biodegradation: Associated with energy production

By co-metabolism ( no energy is produced)

Depending on redox-potential: aerobic / facultative anaerobic / anaerobic

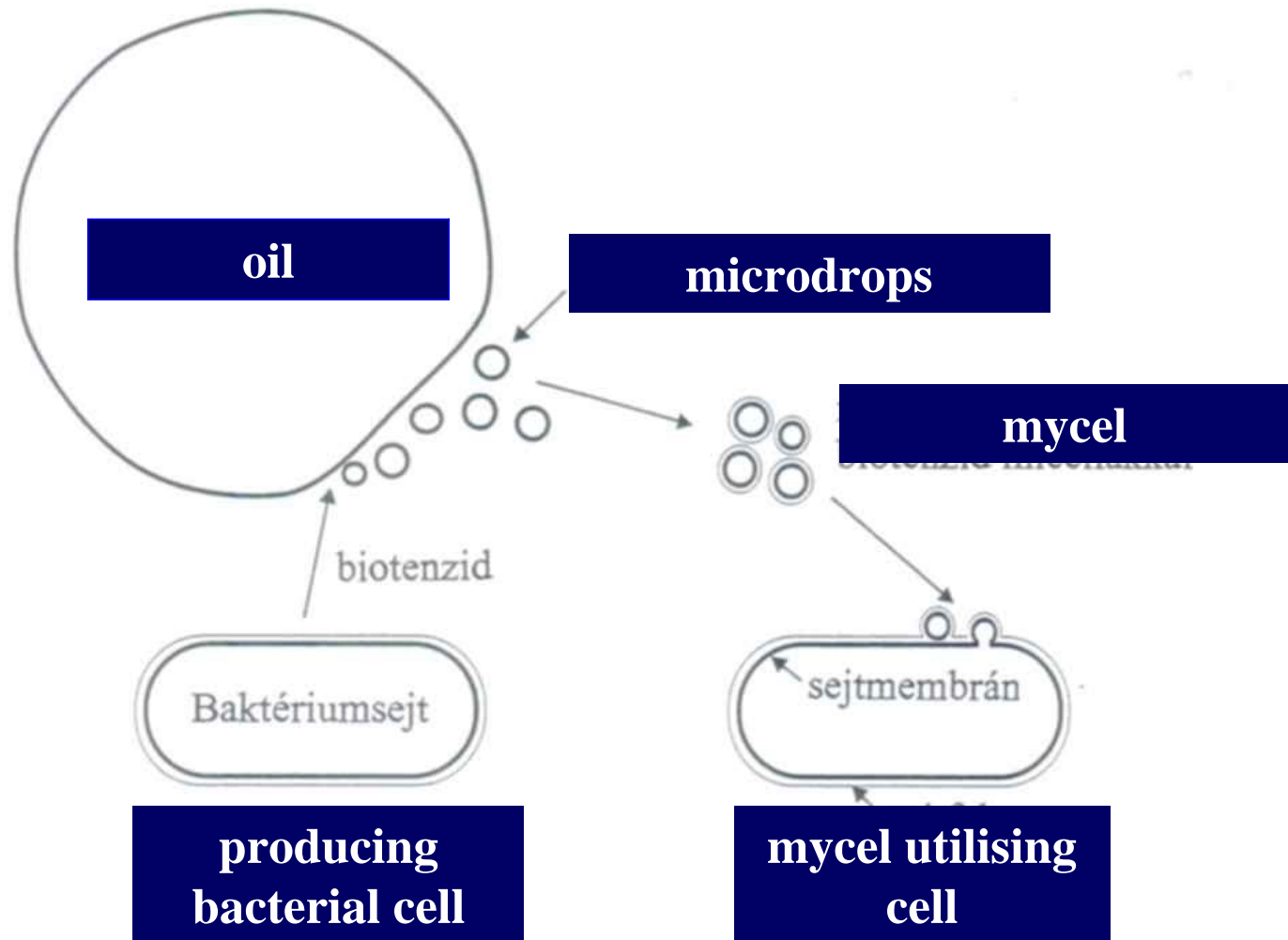
Complete mineralisation or partial degradation followed by humus-production.

II. Based on microbial stabilisation: irreversible incorporation of organic compounds into the humus or into inorganic compounds (metal-sulphides)

II. Biobleaching: leaching from soil as a result of microbial activity: metal extraction



## Natural tensides



# Phytoremediation

## Phytoextraction

**From soil: by hyperaccumulating plants, in their stem or leaves, high yield of biomass, burning, ash treatment, recycling in some cases**

**From ground water: by the rhizosphere of plants like willow or reed**

**From surface water: rhizofiltration, living machines**

## Phytostabilisation

**Growing resistant species: physical stabilisation by plants**

**A combination of chemical and phytostabilisation**

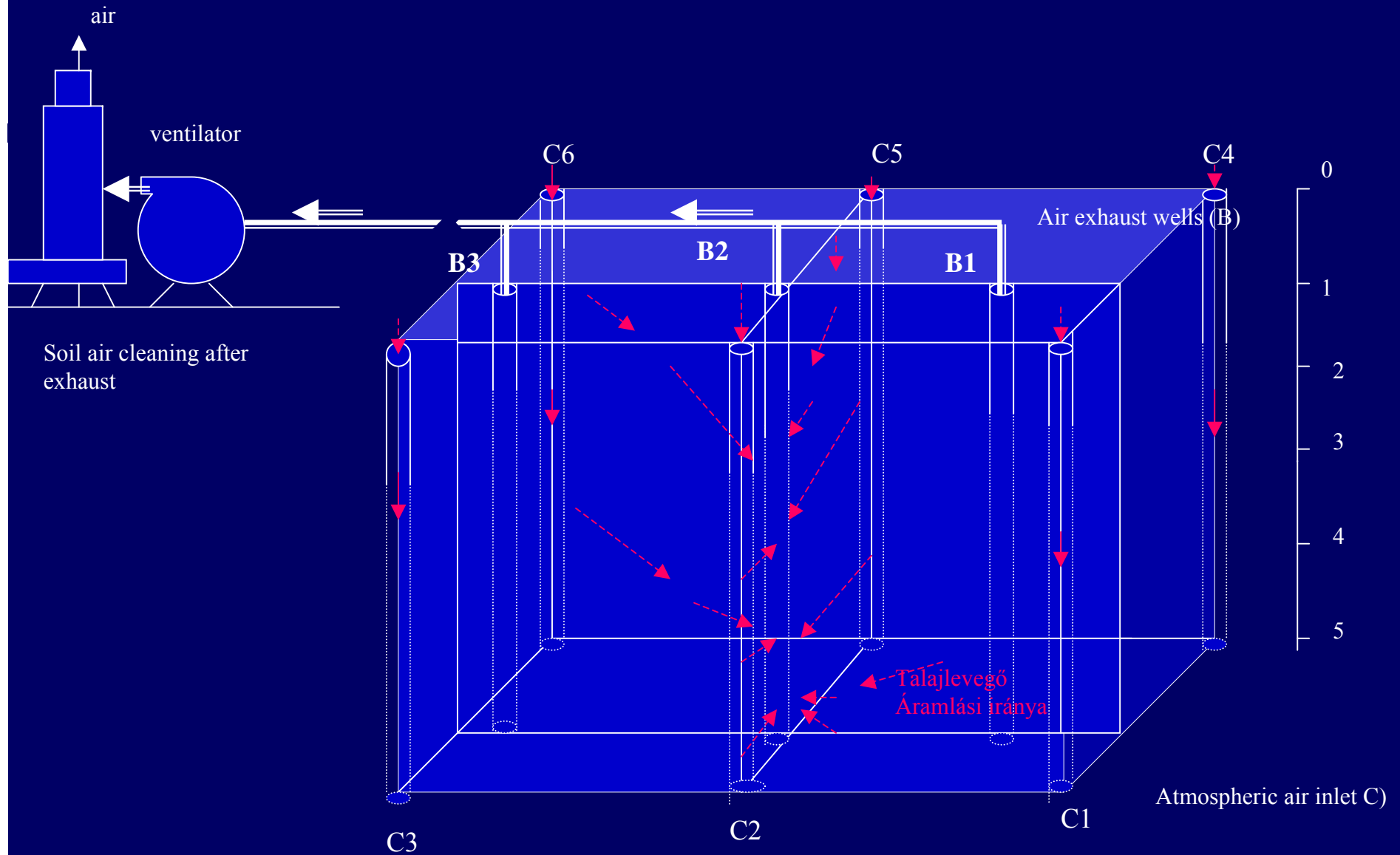
## Phytovolatilisation

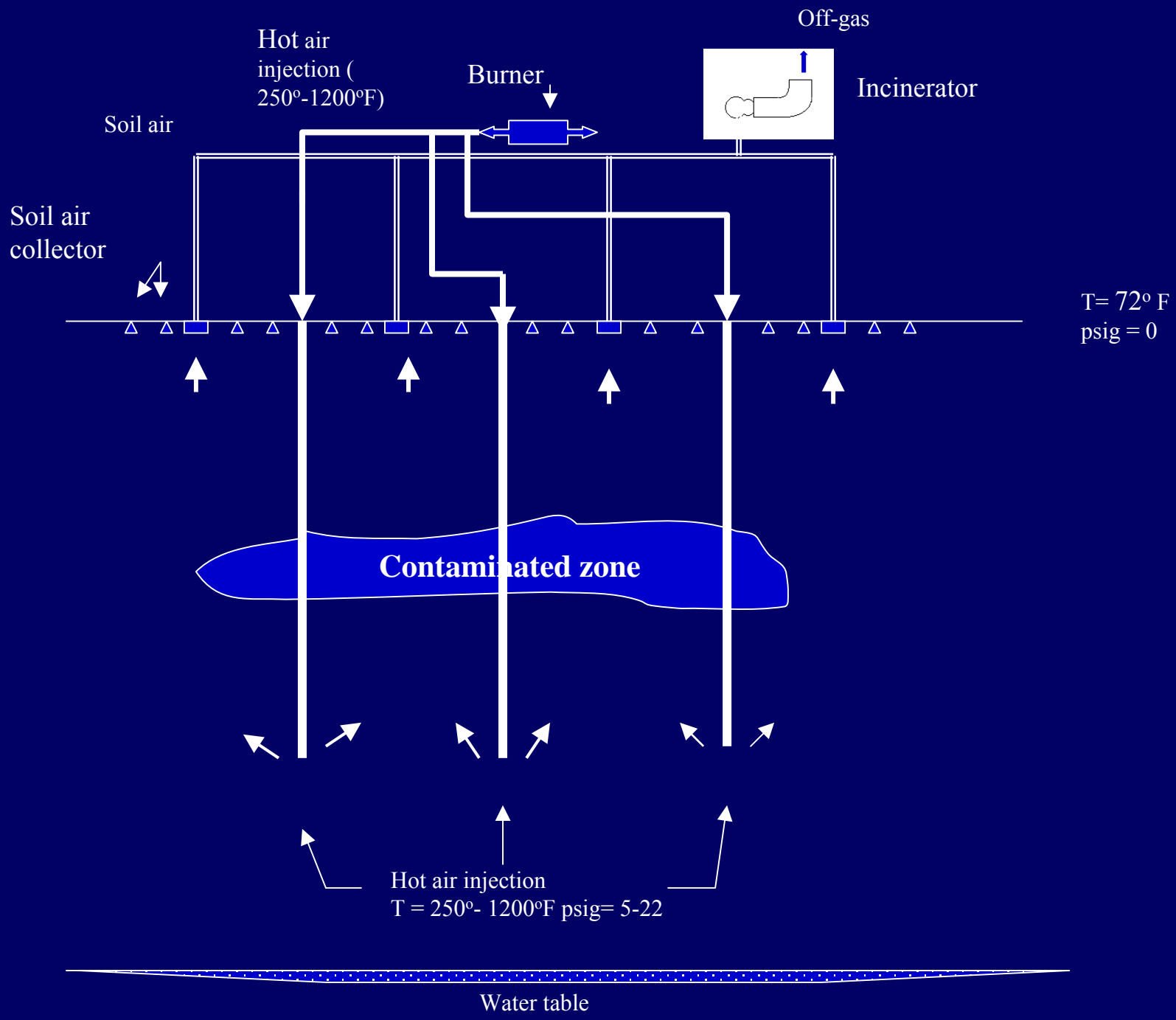
## Phytodegradation

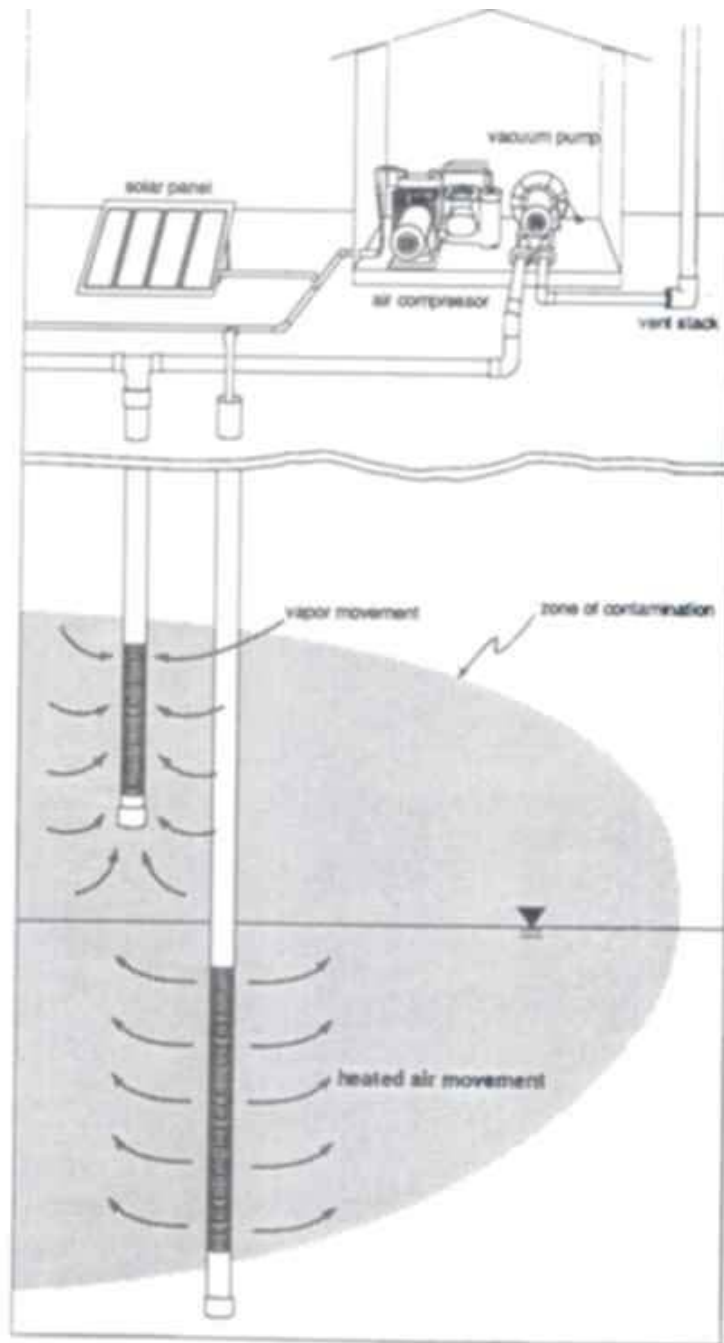
## Rhizofiltration

## Living machines

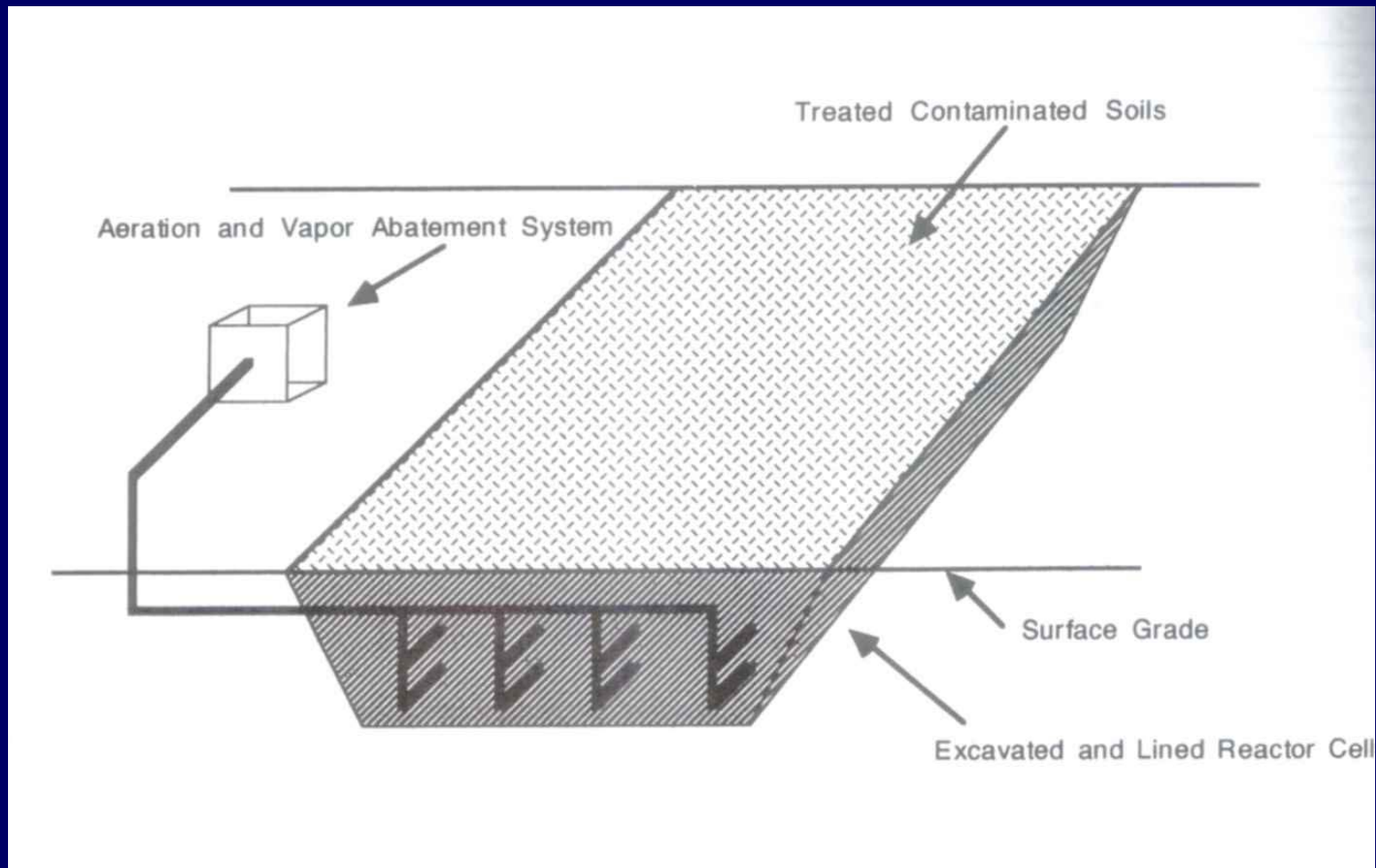
# In situ bioventilation



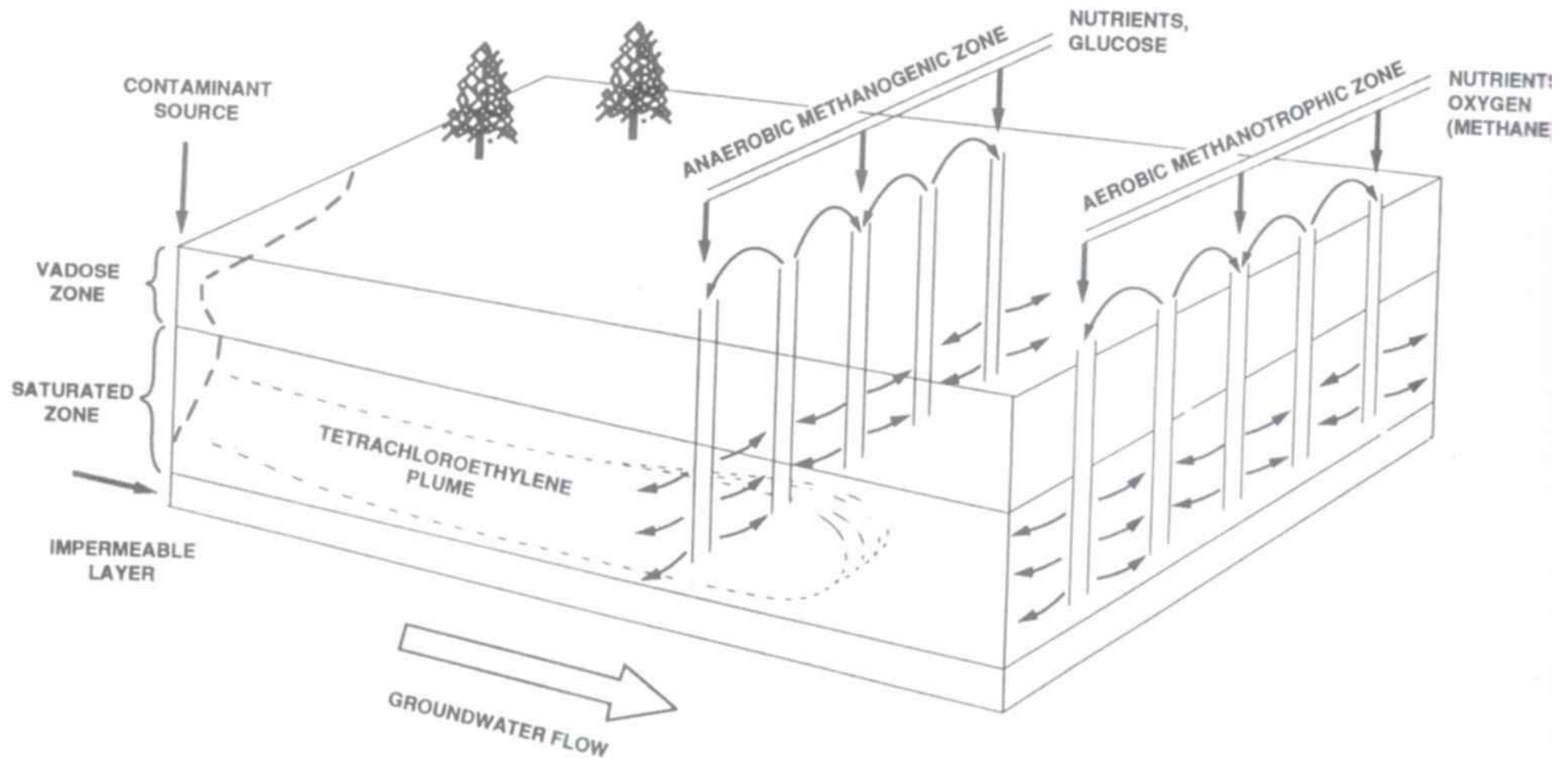




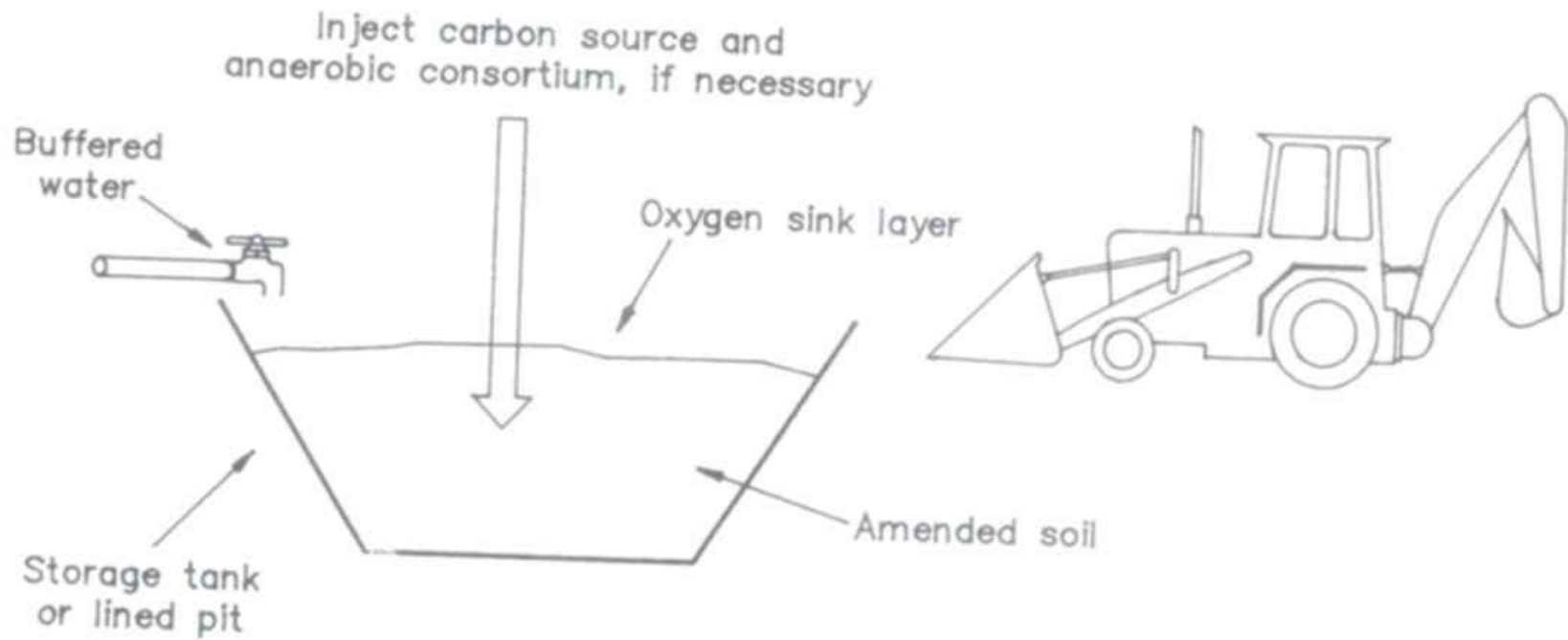
Subsurface Volatilization and Ventilation System (SVVS)



**Solid phase biological treatment in reactor**



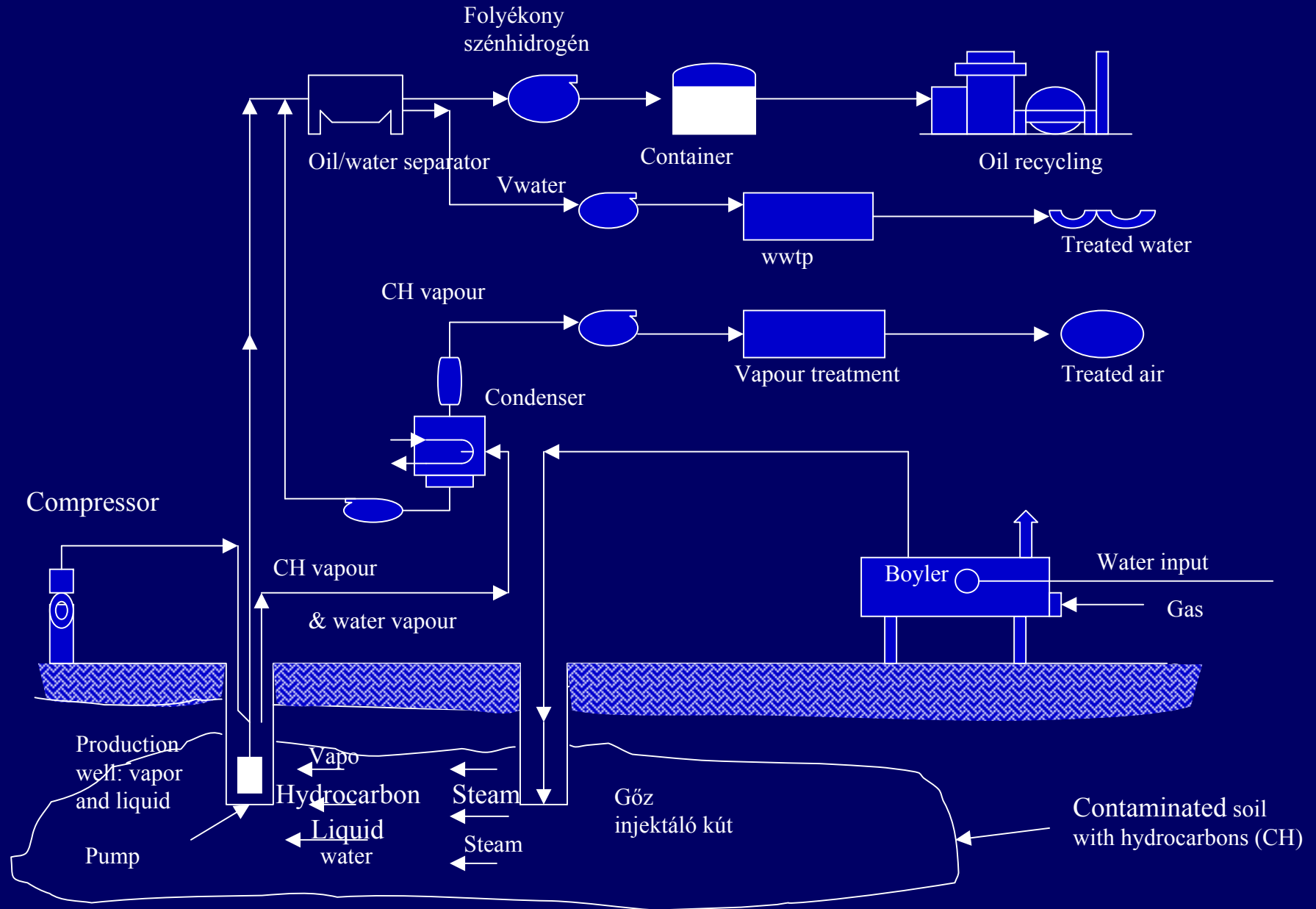
**Two-zones biological treatment : 1. Anaerobic, 2. aerobic**



**Anaerob biological soil treatment in slurry phase**

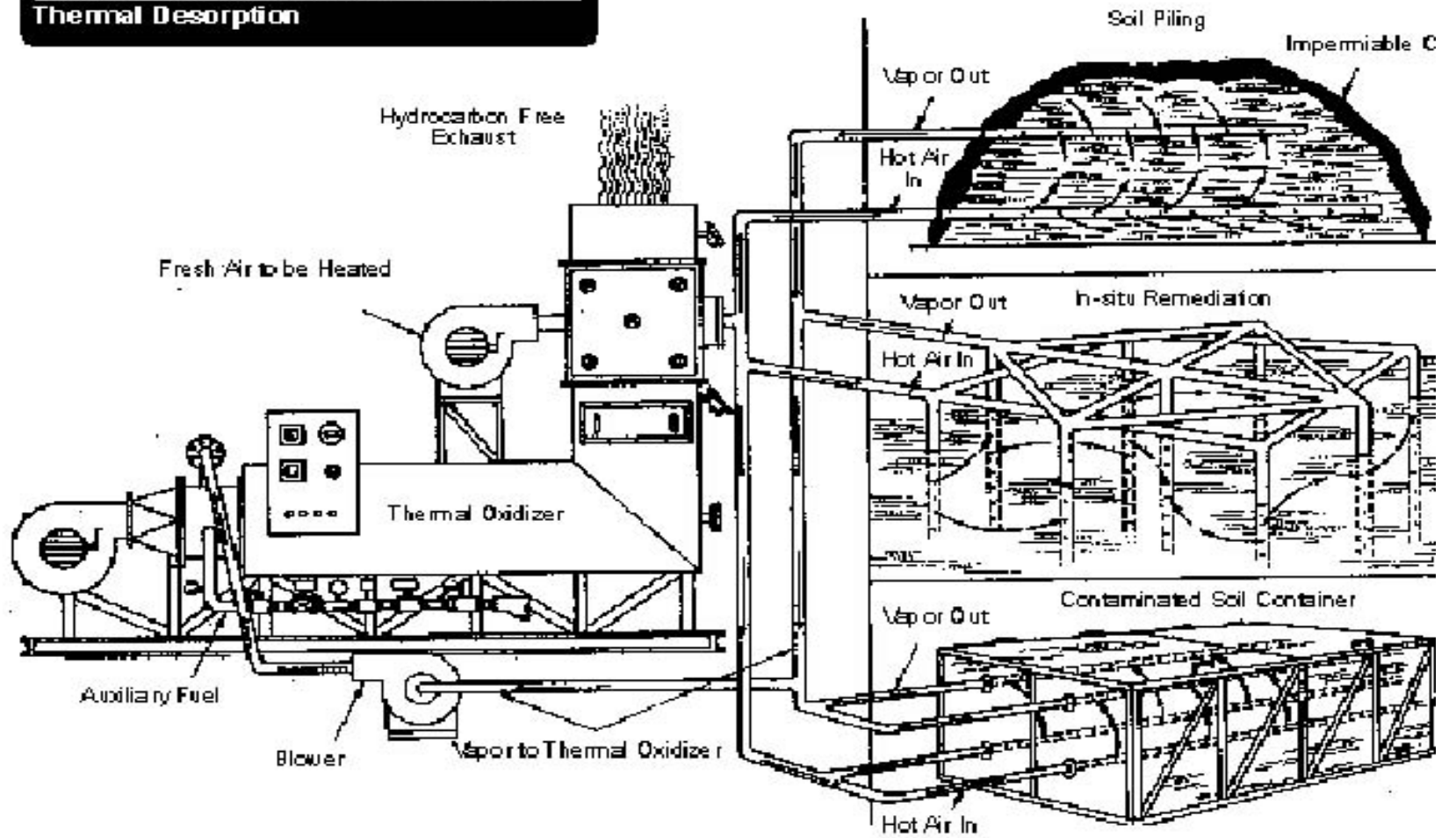


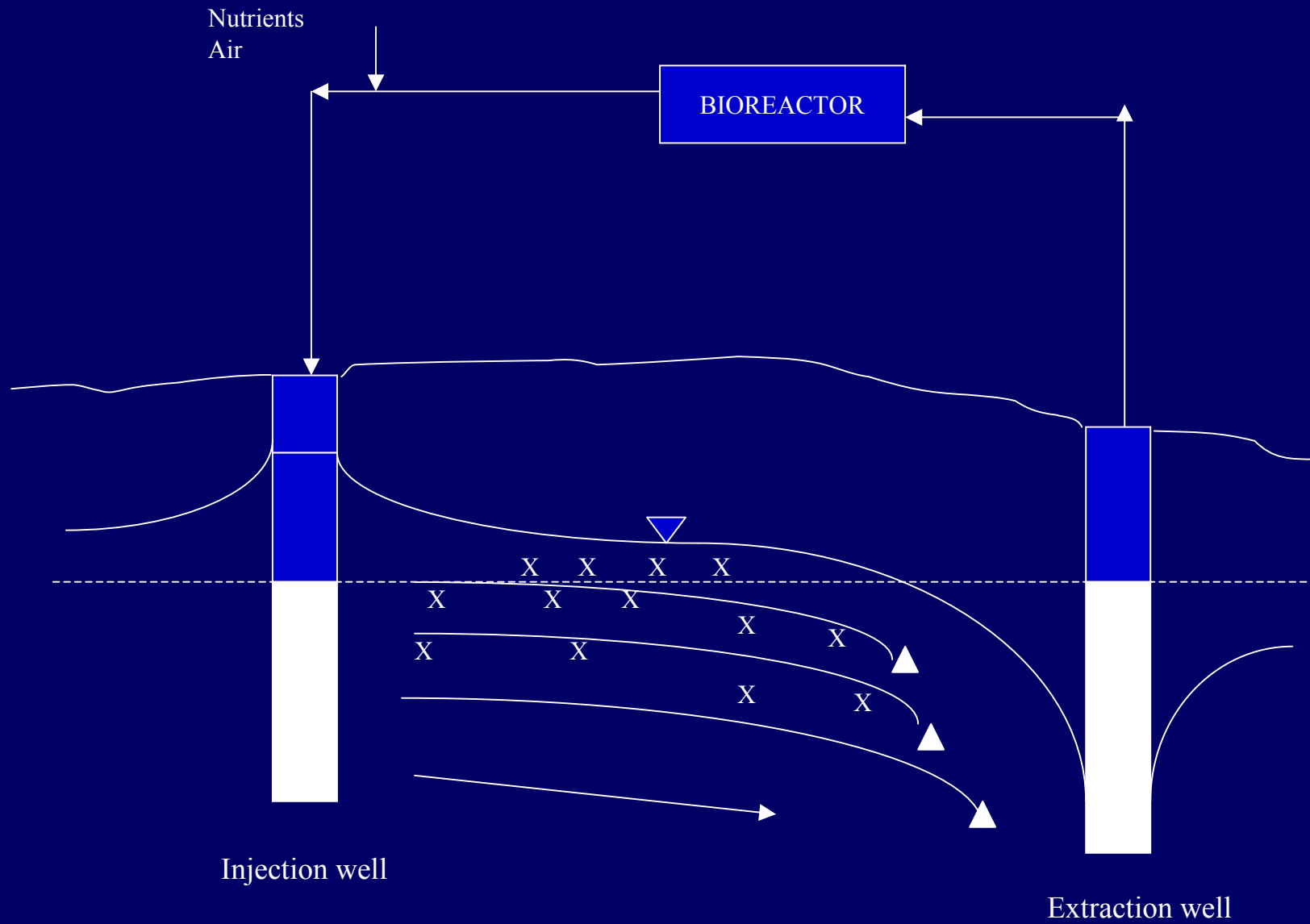
# Soil vapour extraction



# Thermal desorption

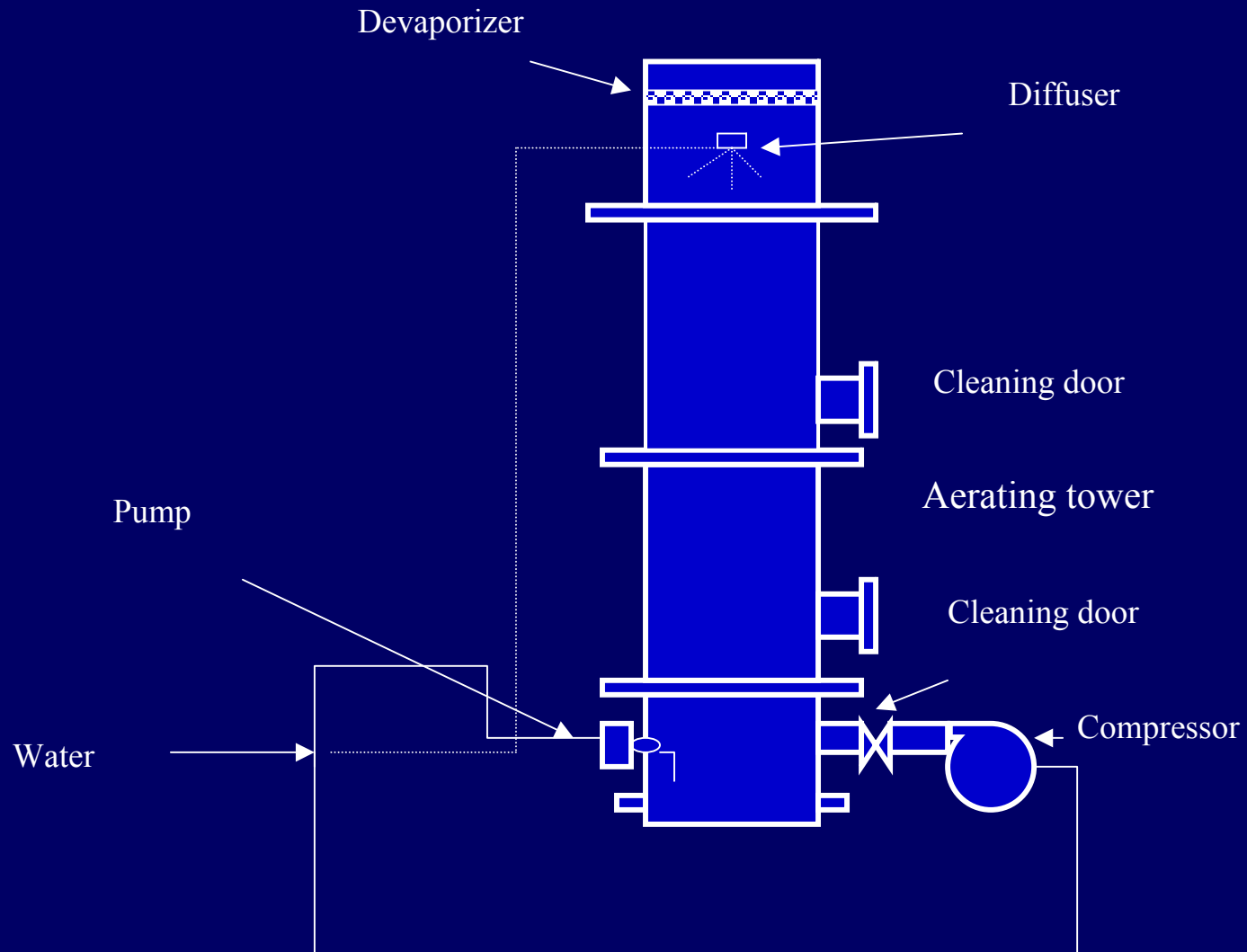
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Thermal Desorption



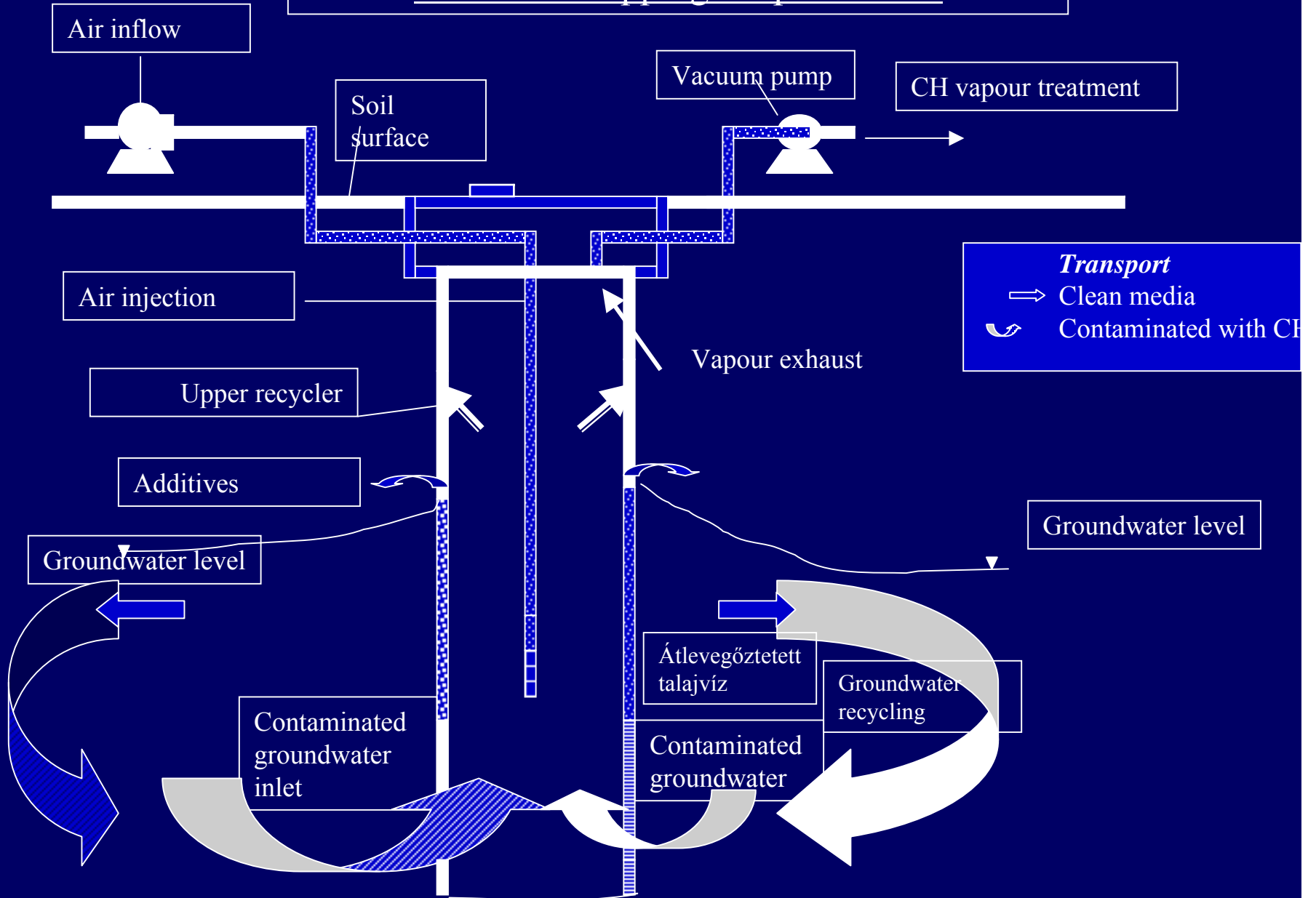


## In situ Biological treatment

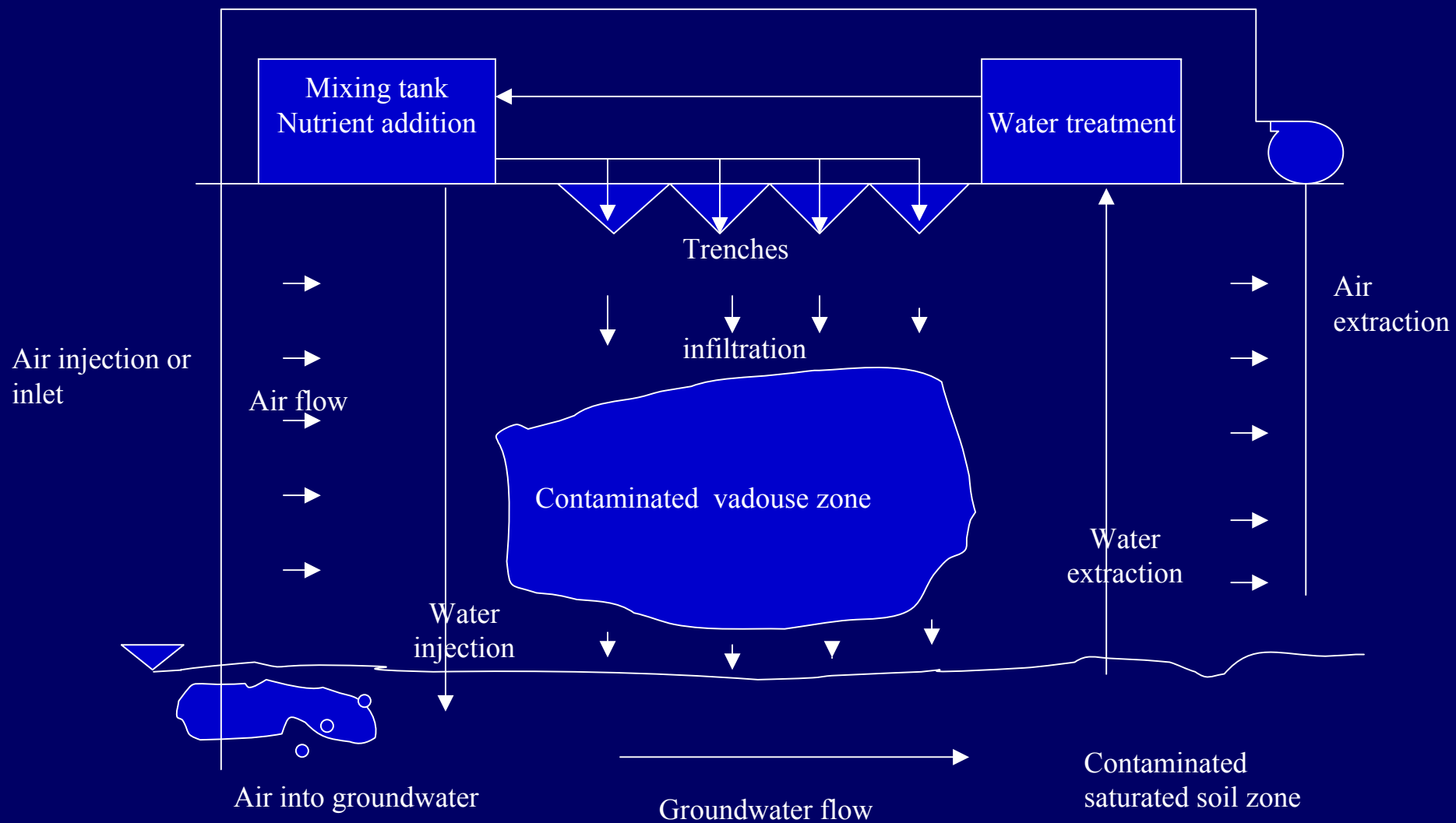
# AIR STRIPPING

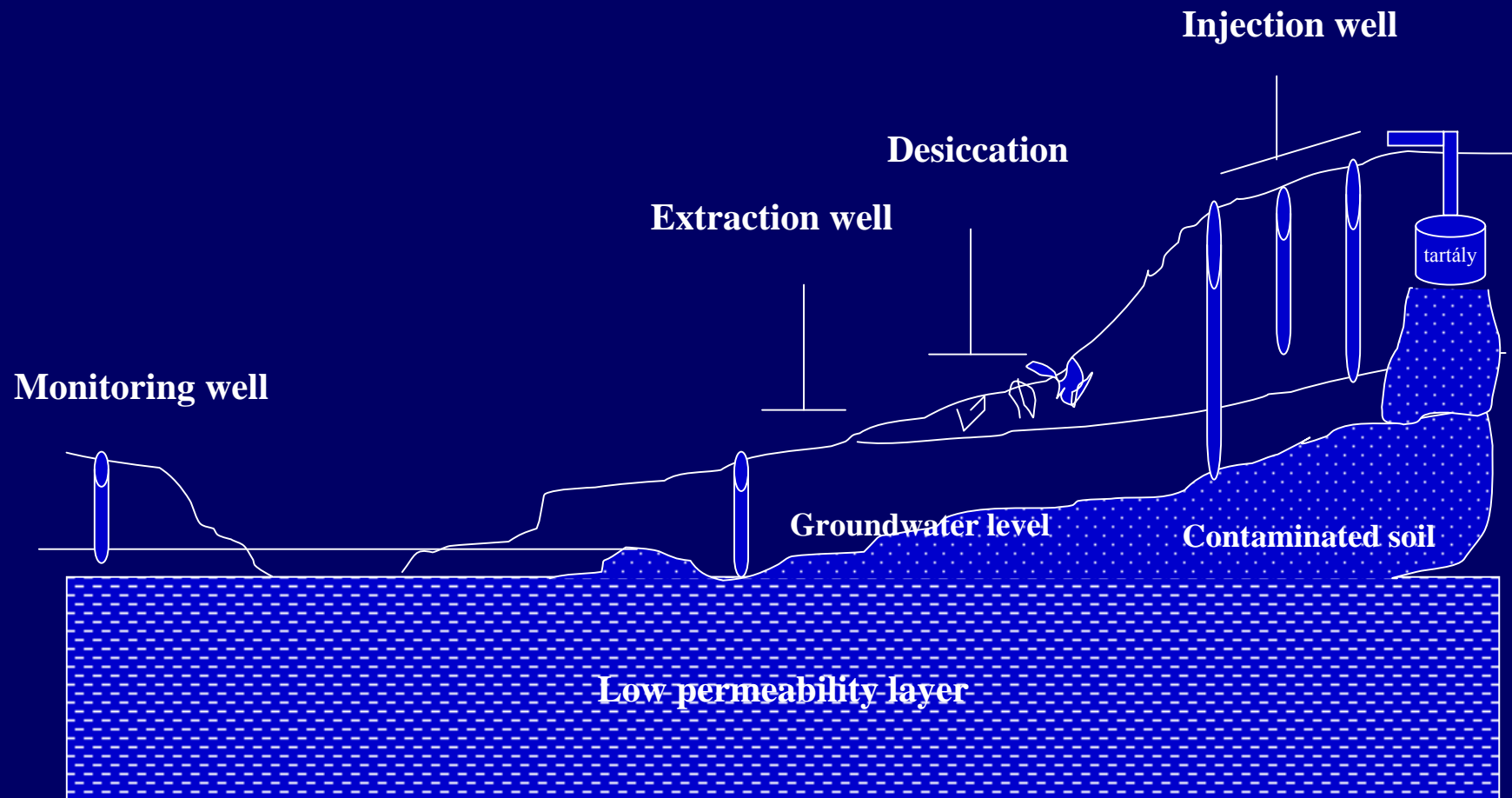


# In situ air stripping in special well



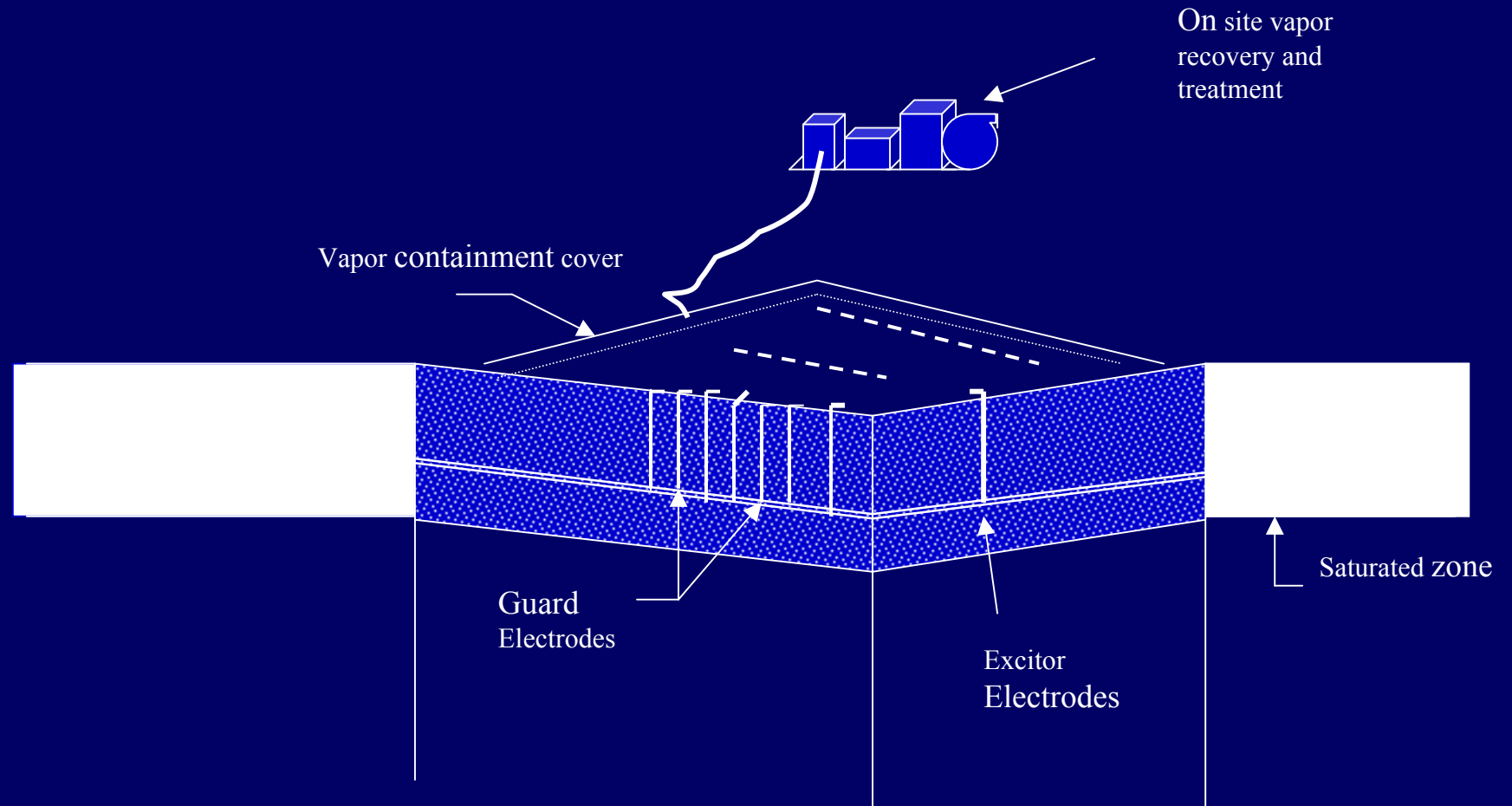
# Possible in situ operations in soil



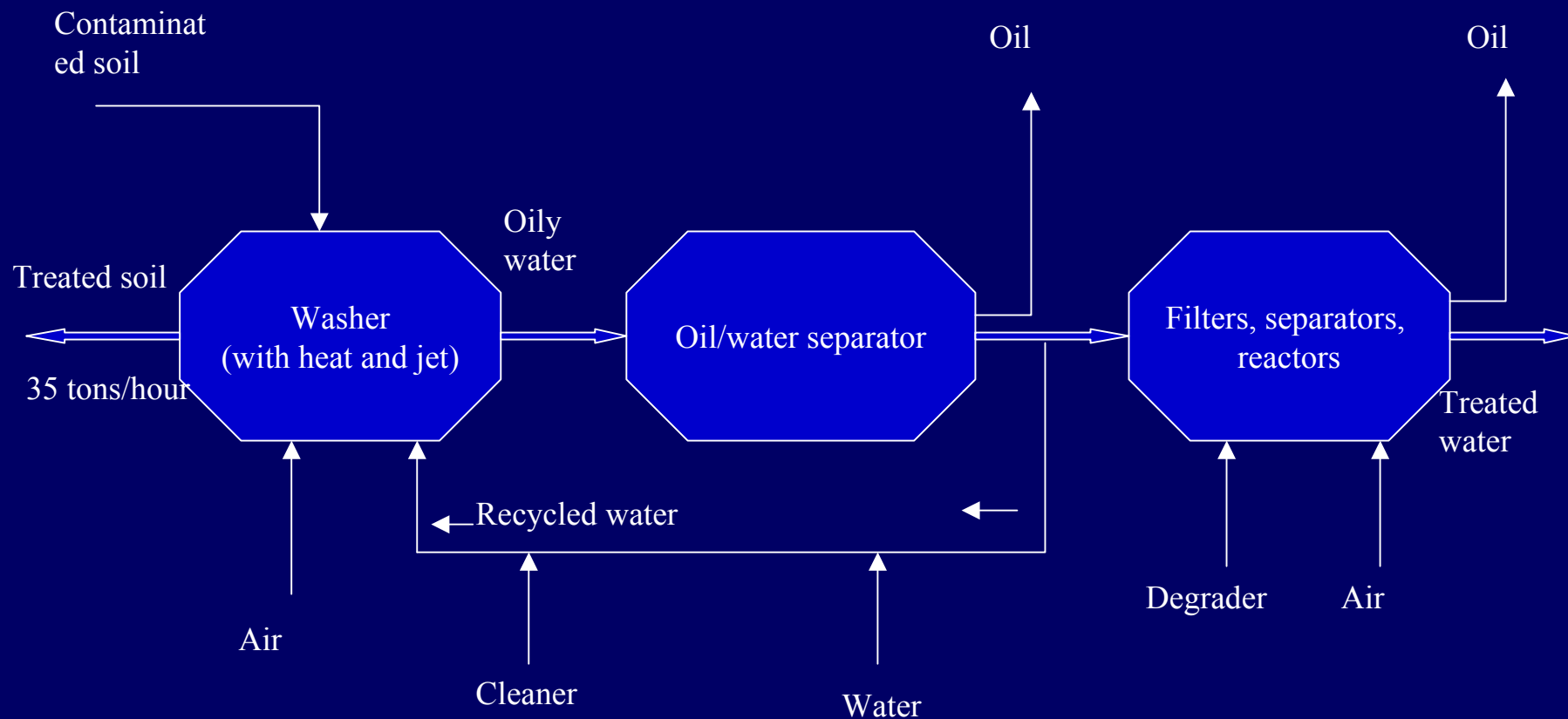


**In situ biodegradation with ex situ water treatment**

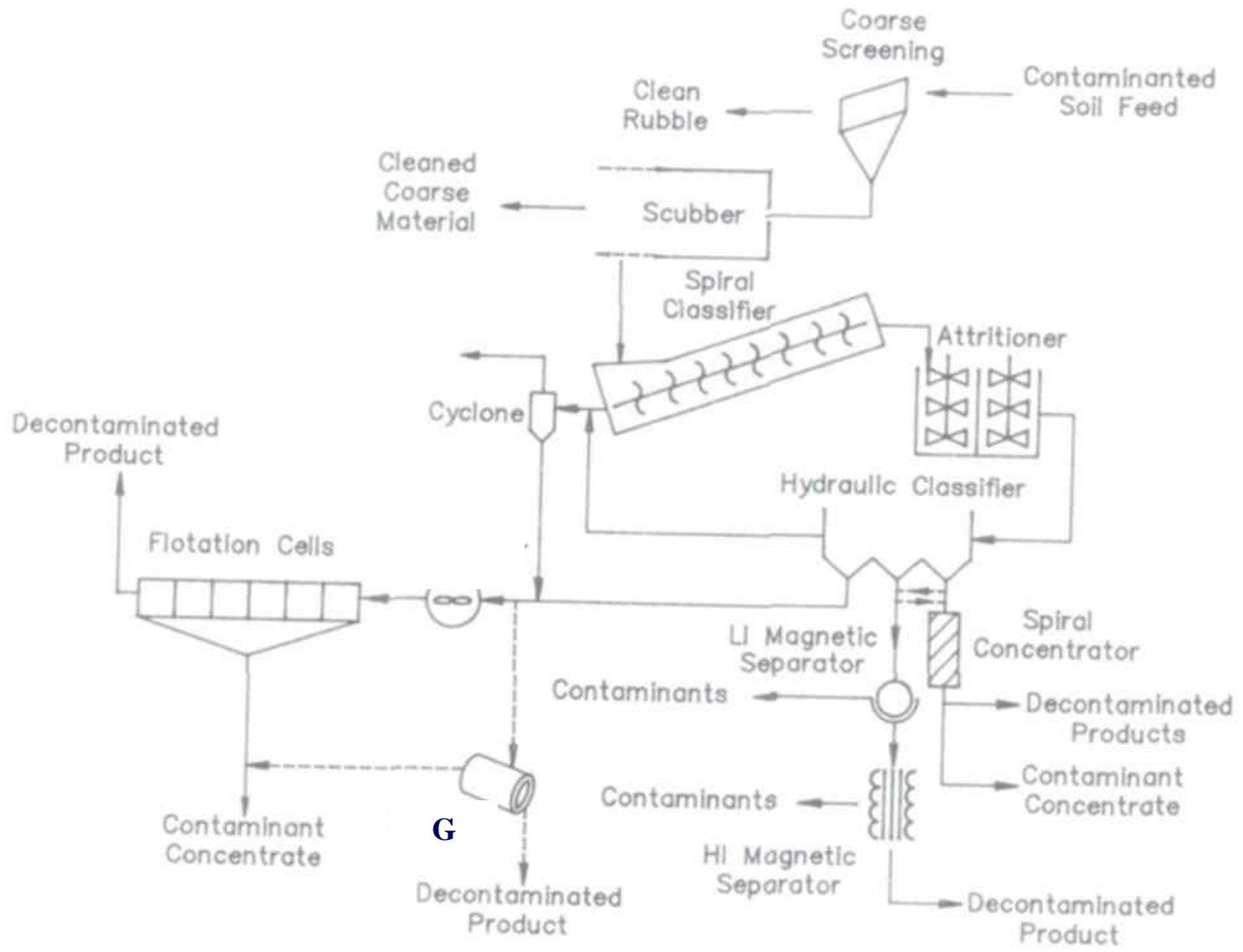
# In situ soil heating with radiofrequency



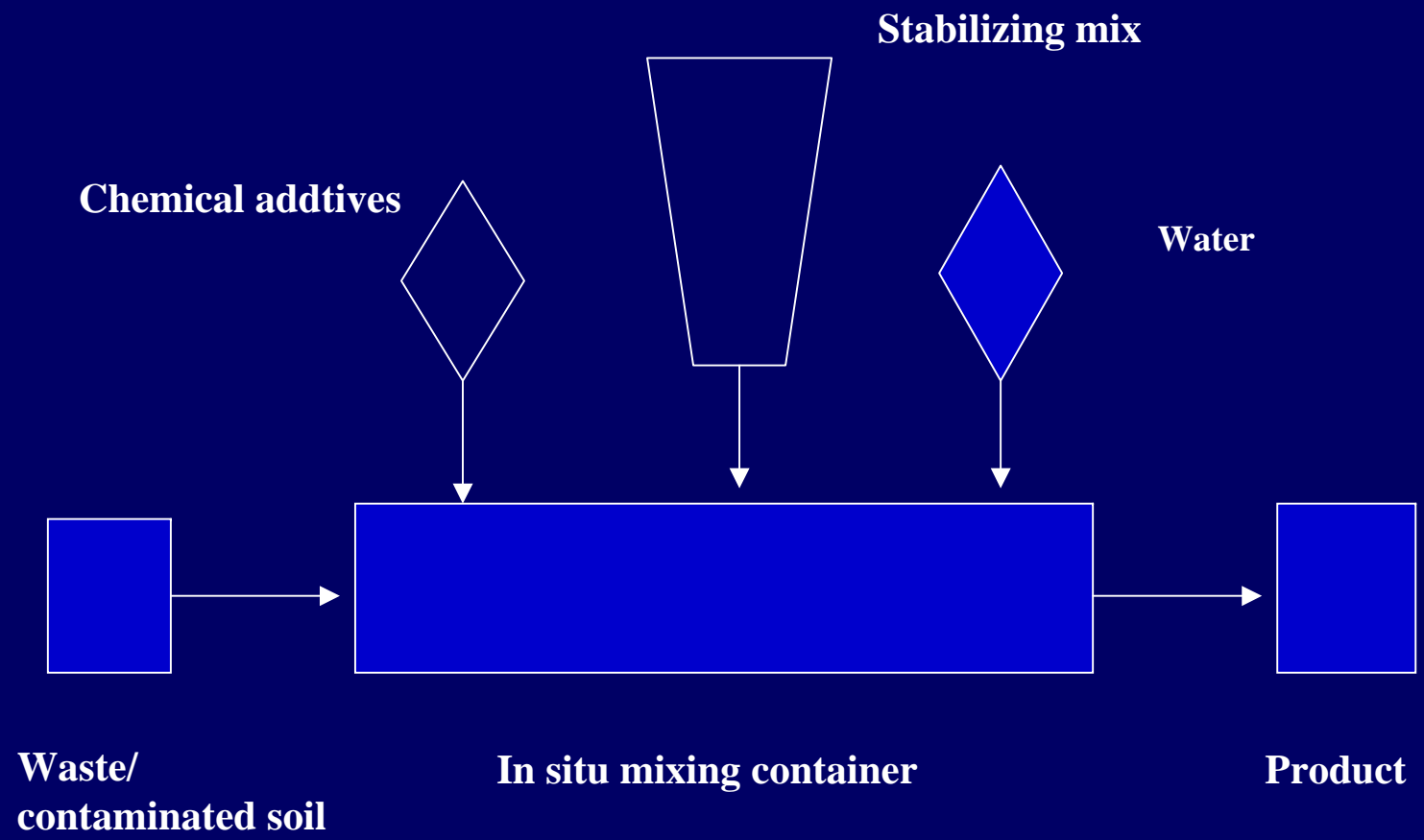




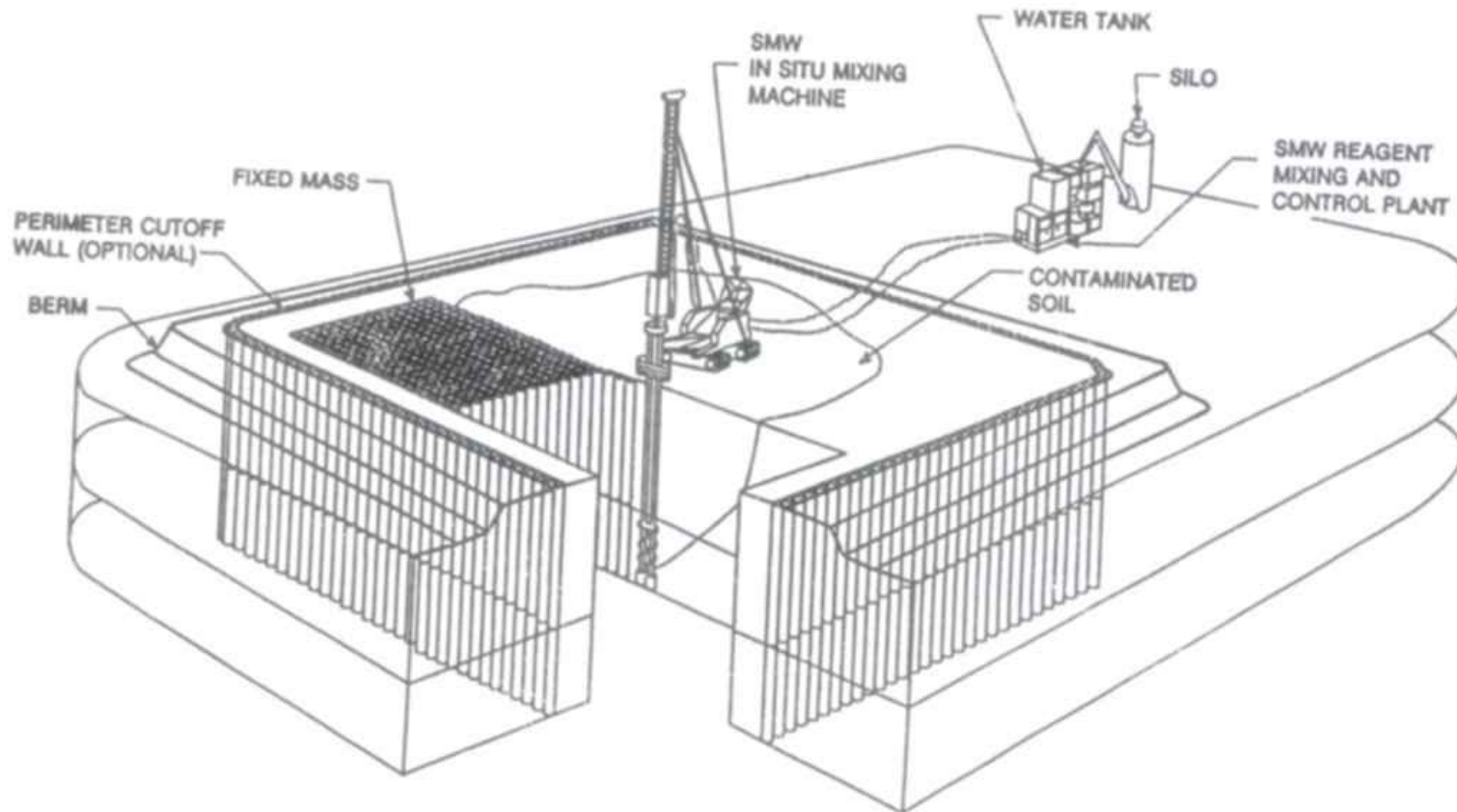
# Soil washing



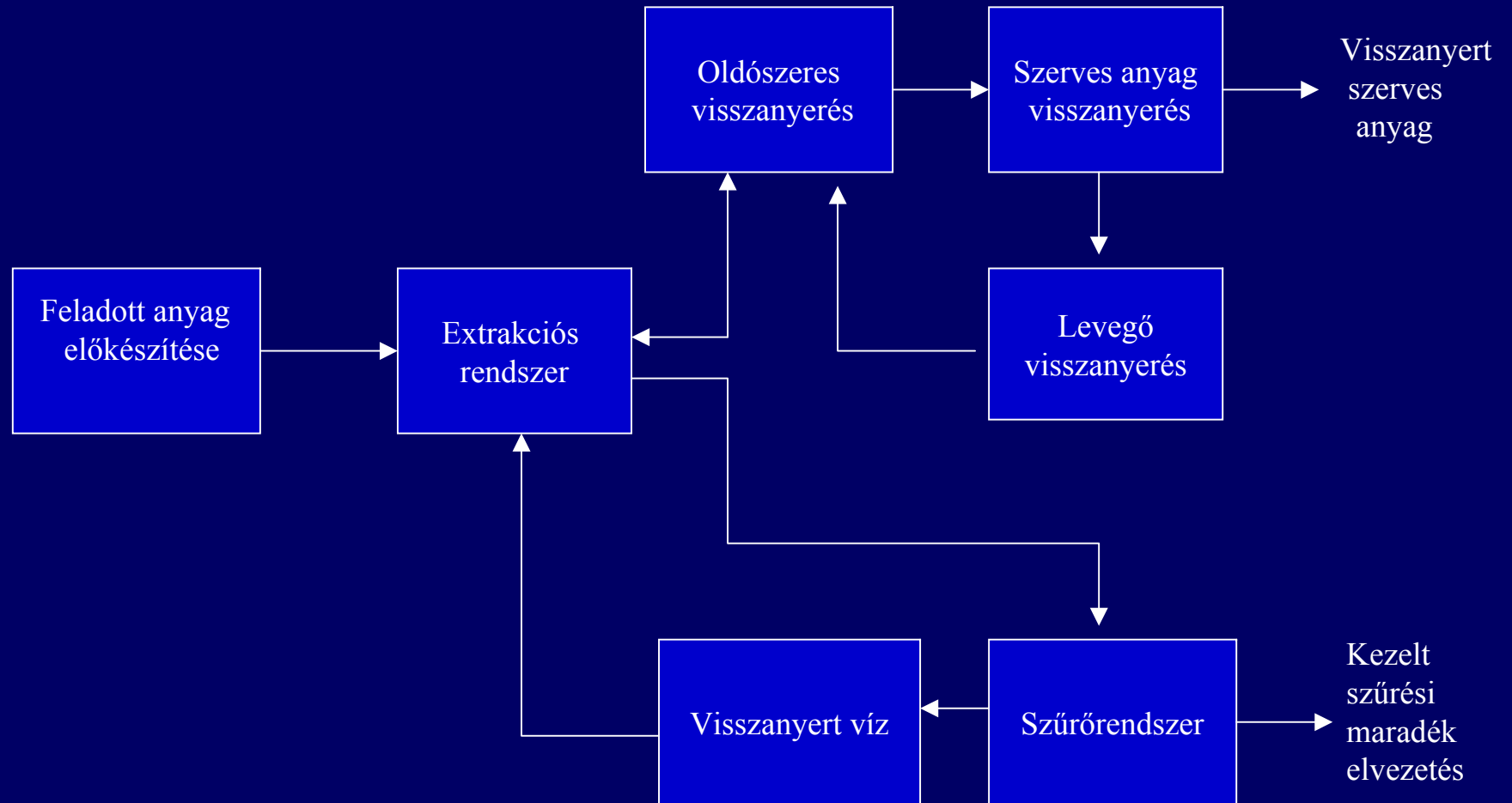
**Complex physical soil treatment**



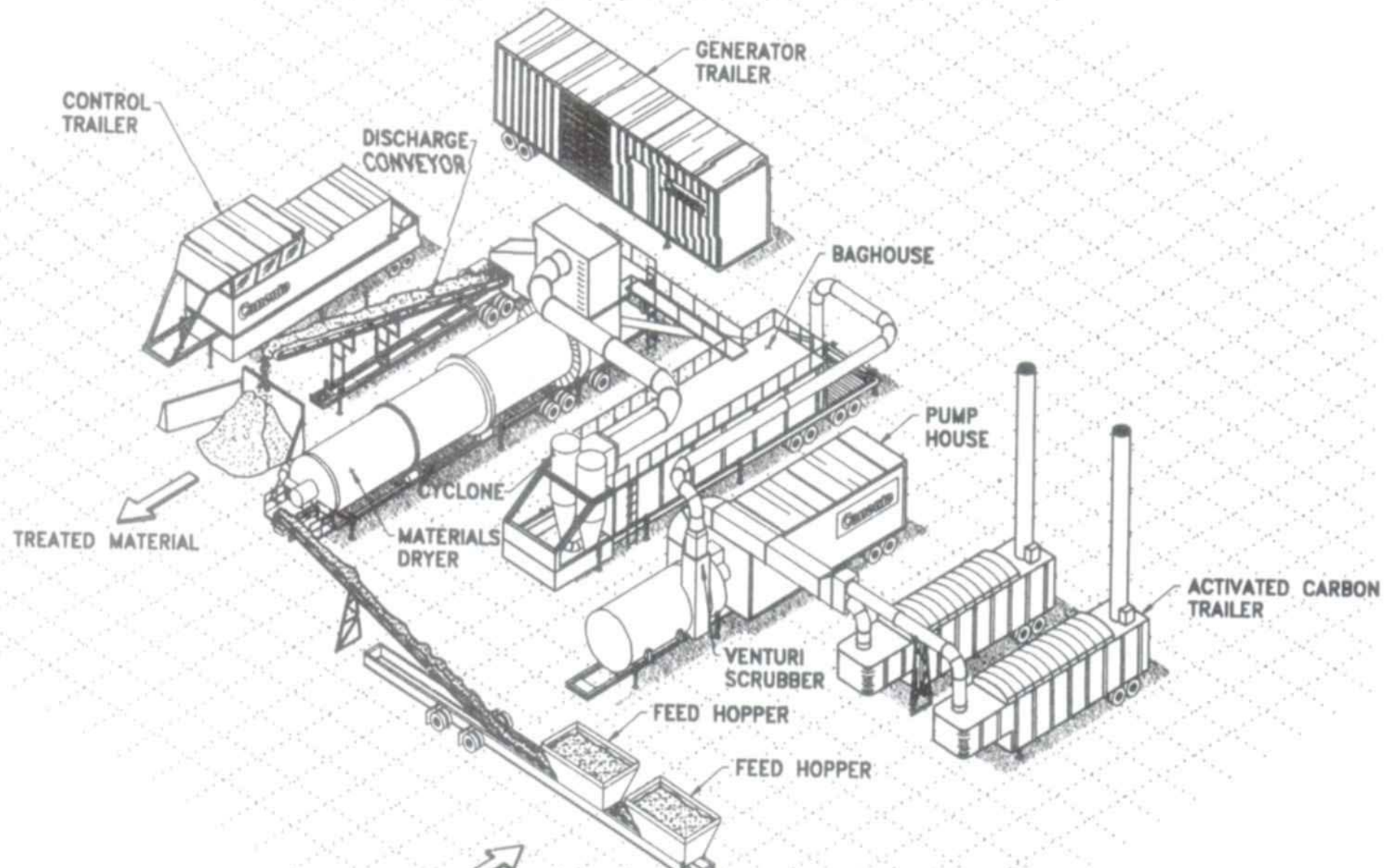
# Dechlorination with stabilisation



**In situ solidification**

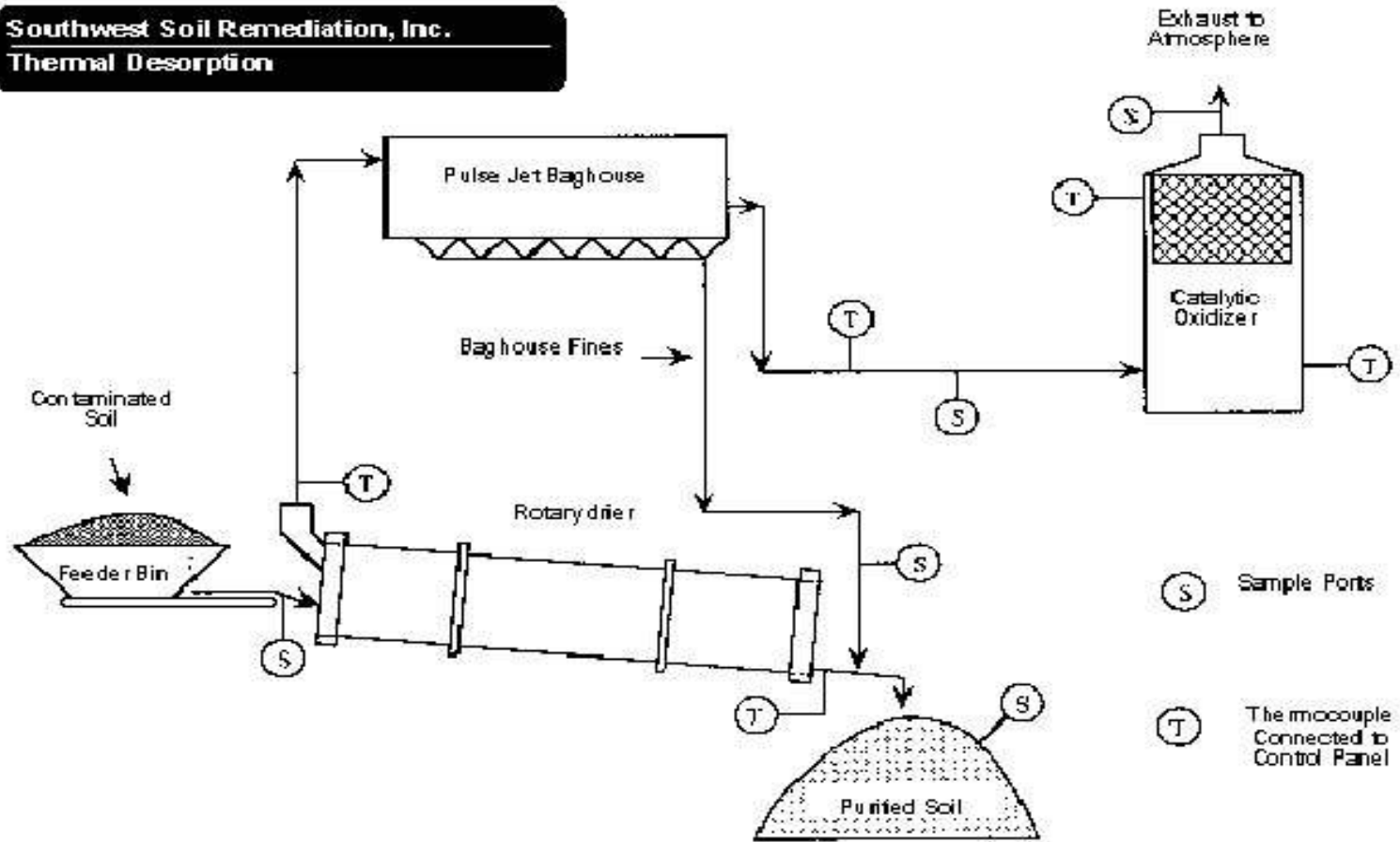


## *Oldószeres extrakció*



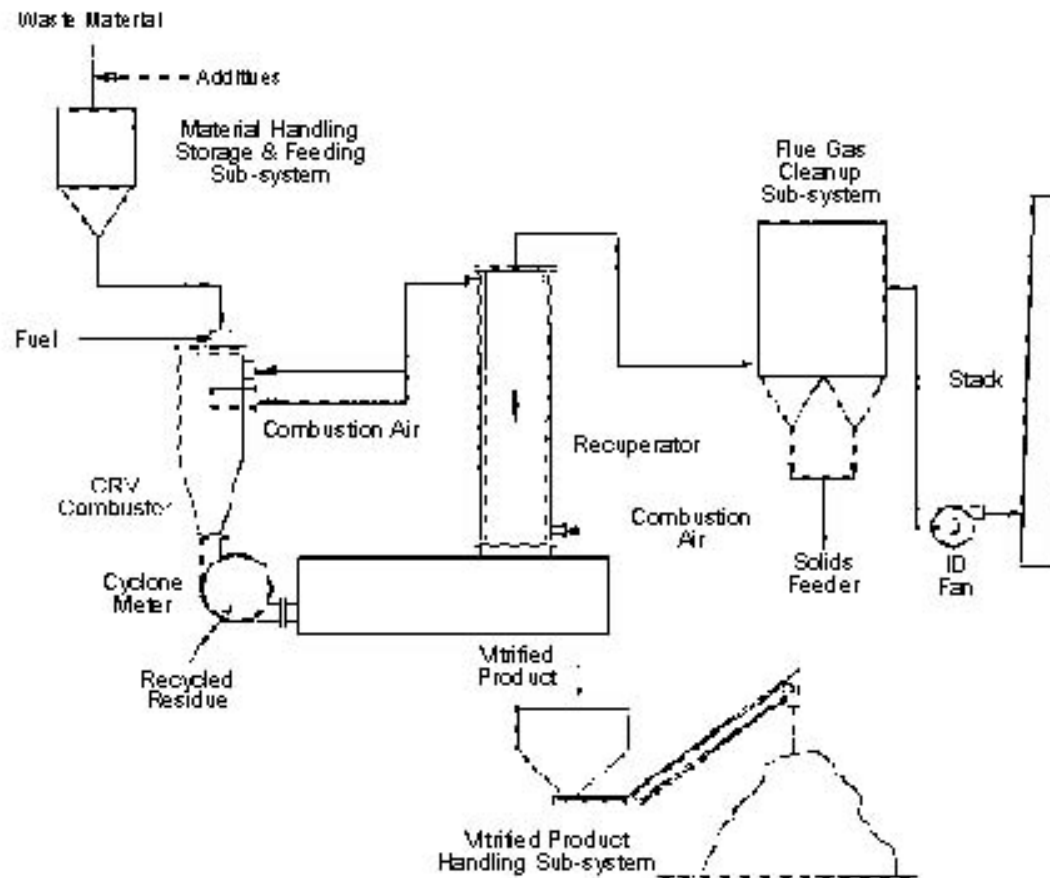
**Thermal desorption**

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**Thermal Desorption**



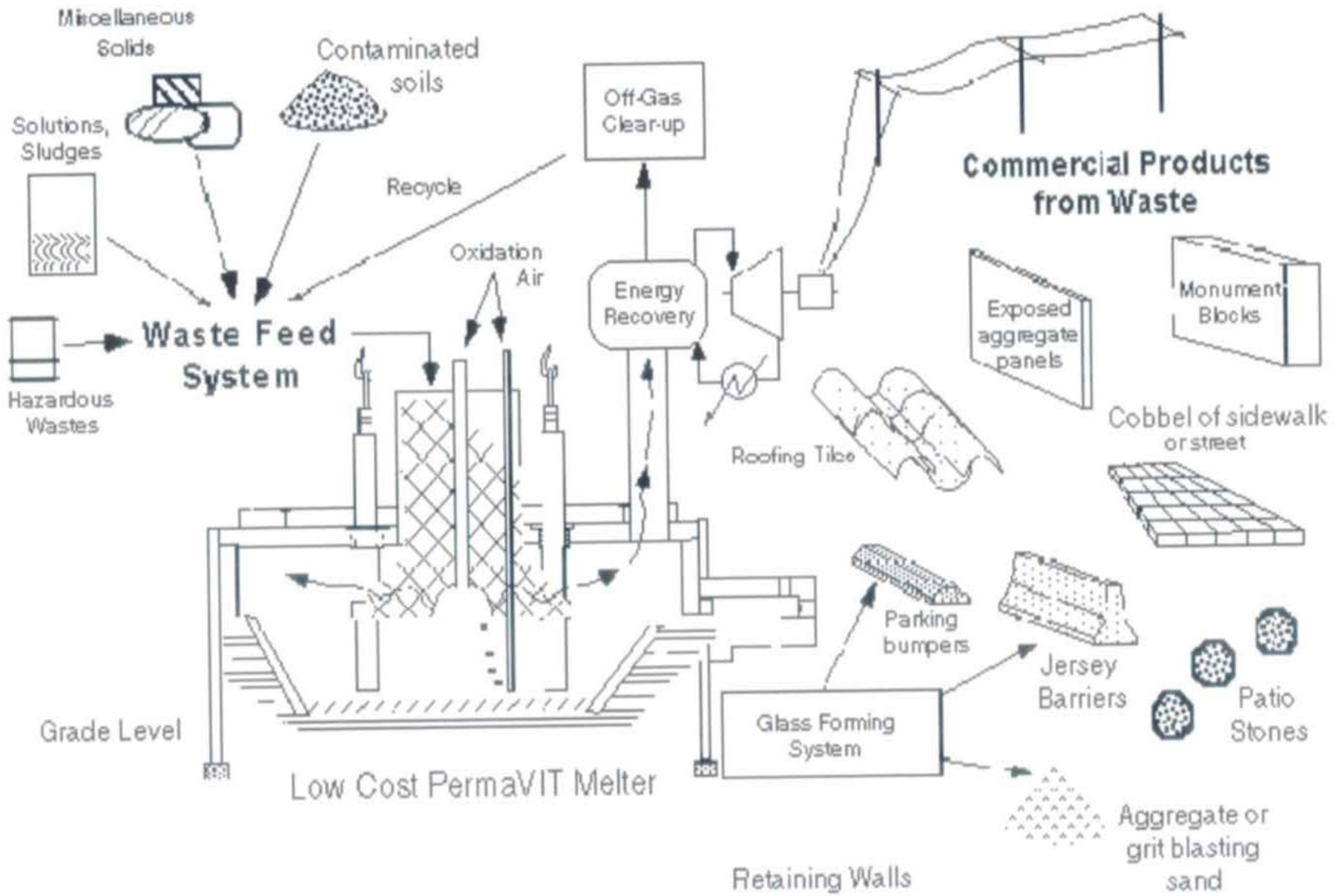
(S) Sample Ports  
 (T) The thermocouple Connected to Control Panel

**Vortec Corporation**  
**Vitrification**

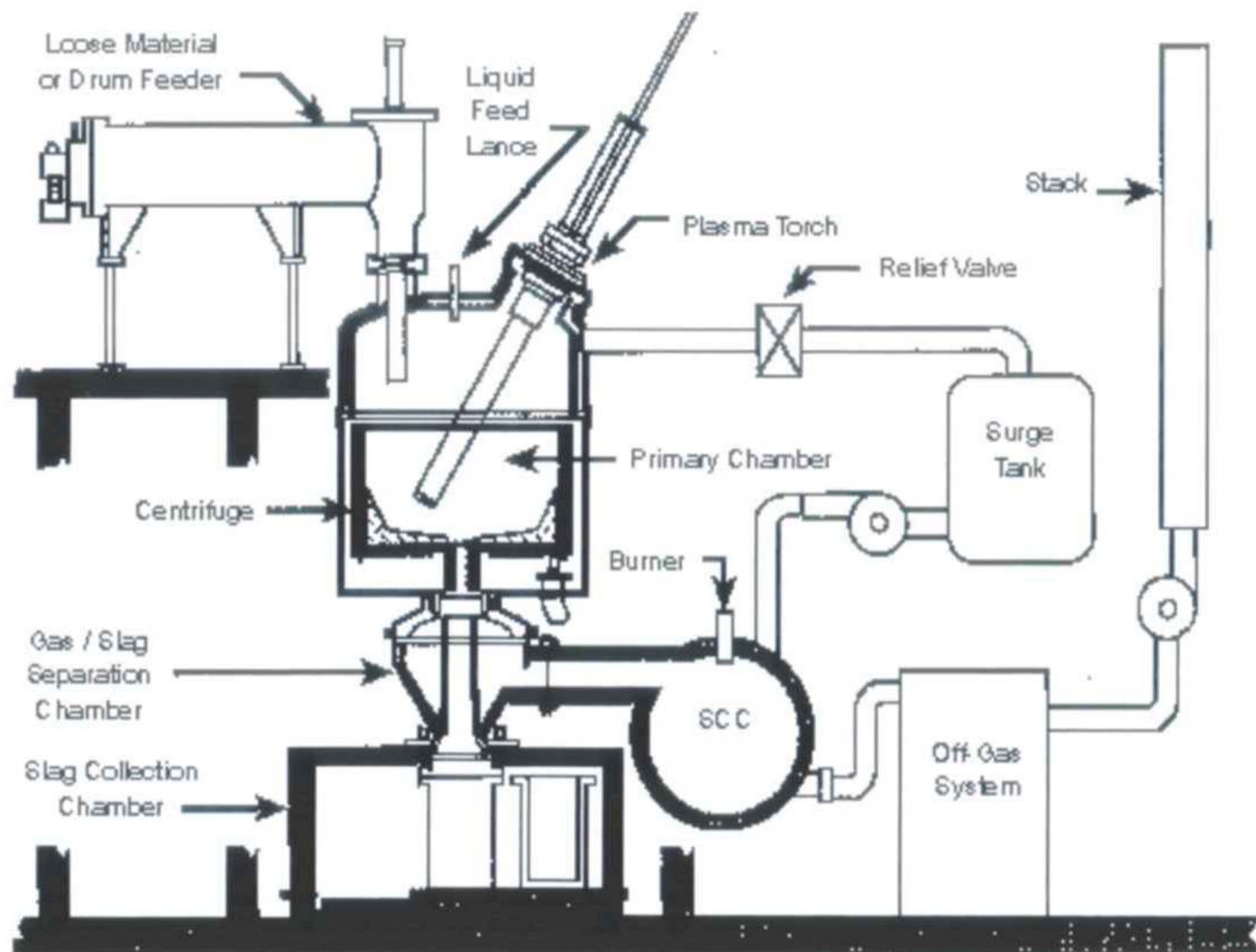




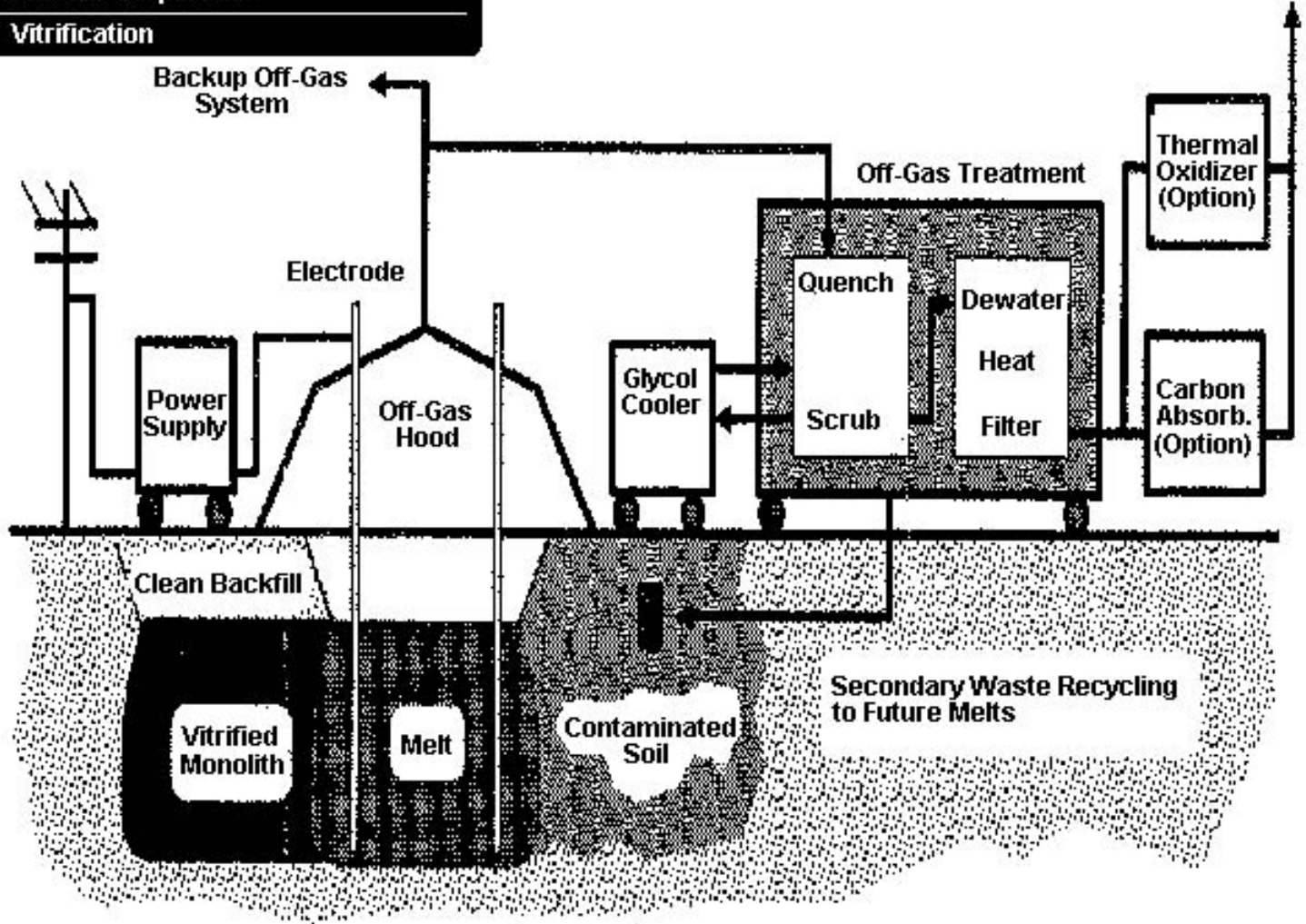
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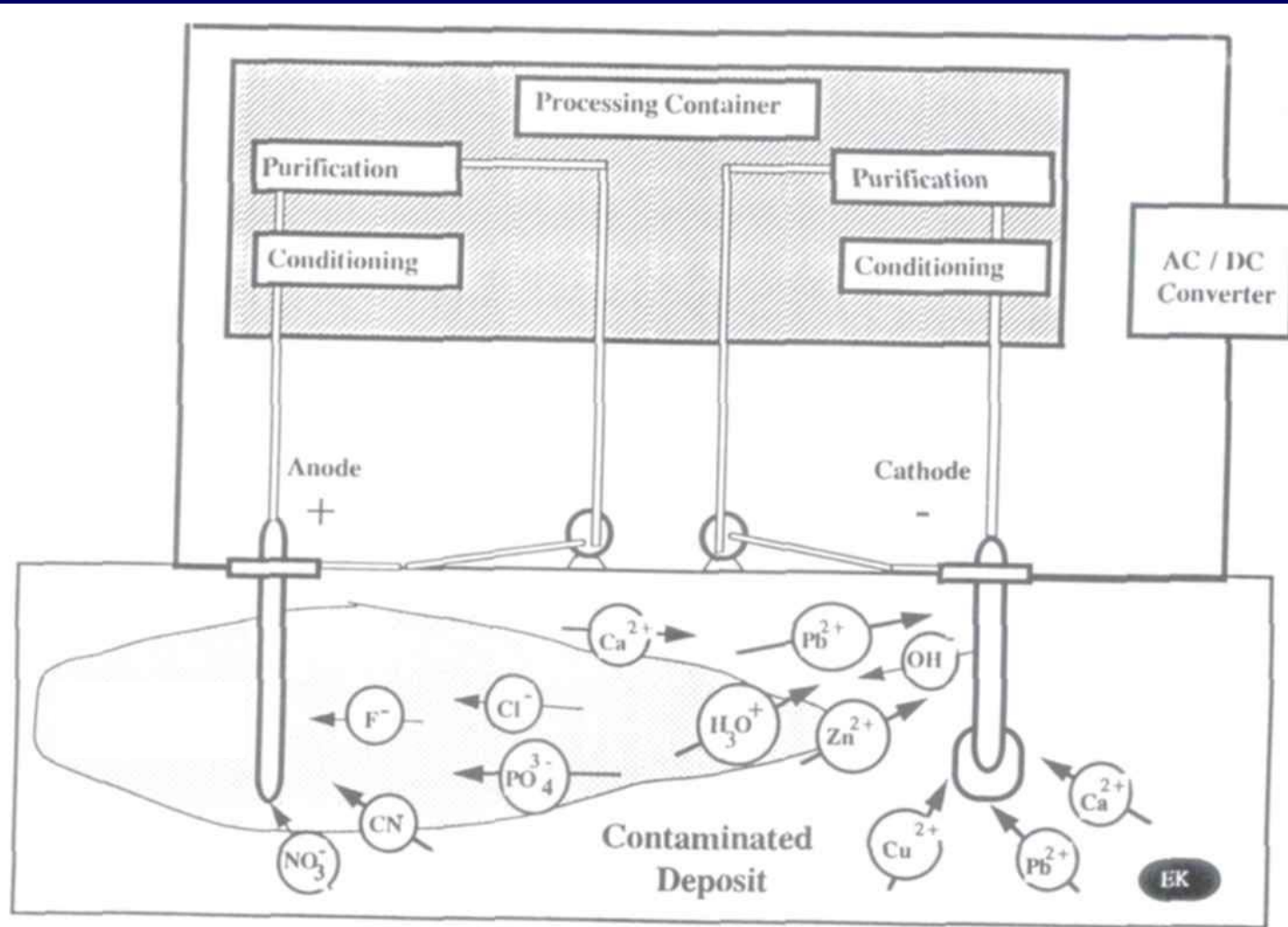


**Retech, Div. of Lockheed Eng. Sys. & Tech.**  
**Vitrification**



**Geosafe Corporation**  
**Vitrification**





**Electrokinetic remediation**