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**Presentation of a selected compost (ID272) and
digestate (ID264)**

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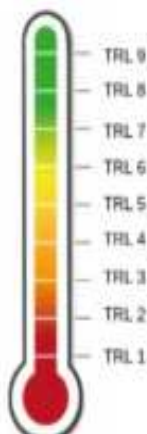
- ❑ Flemish **Compost and Digestate Quality** Organisation (°'92)
- ❑ **>100 members** active in management (3) of
 - ❑ **municipal green-/vfg-waste & (waste) streams from agriculture/food/feed**
- ❑ **Tasks:**
 - **Prevention** of biowaste
 - **Closing the cycle** of biowaste (nutrients & carbon)
 - Quality assurance (fertiliser, soil improver, growing media)
 - Support & implement biowaste policies (Materials Decree, Manure decree,...)
 - Research & demo projects
 - Knowledge centre



Compost



Compost from green waste and pre-digested vegetable, fruit and garden wastes by "IOK Afvalbeheer" process (ID:272)



Input material

VFG-waste and green waste (incl roadside cuttings,...)

Status

Available on the market

Application dose

10-15 t/ha (depending on soil, season, crop,...)

Nutrient content info

1,79-2,1% N% (dm), 0,8-1,2% P₂O₅ % (dm), 1,1-1,8 K₂O% (dm)

Recommended crops

potato, wheat, cabbage, pumpkin, cucumber, tomato, leafy vegetables, celery, leek and other crops in agriculture - also use in horticulture, floriculture and arboriculture

Type of farming

conventional low input organic

Keywords

soil improver carbon rich hygienised stabilised slow-acting fertilizer

Product description

VFG-compost is the stable, hygienic and humus-rich end product of the composting of organic biological waste streams (vegetable-fruit-garden). It is a secondary raw material containing the stable organic material, called humus, and the inorganic mineral fraction (i.e. of the VFG-waste the composting

Basic information

Vendor:

- Name: IOK Afvalbeheer
- Contact: Thomas Van Nooten
- Vendor website: [http://www.iok.be](#)

Country:

Belgium

Product main category:

Compost and Digestate (and biomass)

Product subcategory:

Compost

Languages

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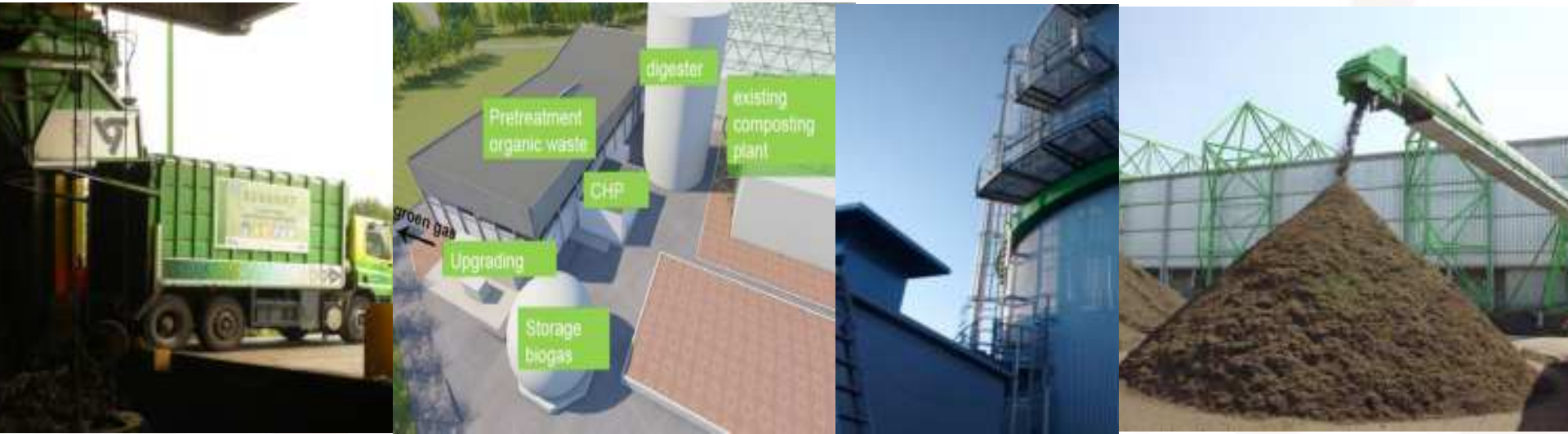


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IOK Afvalbeheer (Beerse (B)) composting process (T-ID 271)



- ❑ 60.000 t/y selectively retrieved vfg- and green waste → 4-phase composting (https://nutriman.net/farmer-platform/technology/id_271)
 - (a) pre-treatment vfg-waste: shredding, sieving and de-ironing,
 - (b) pre-heated + dry thermophilic AD: °biogas (CHP) + °biomethane
 - (c) indoor composting of digestate + green waste: 4 weeks
 - (d) sieving (<16mm) + outdoors composting & maturation: 8-10 weeks
- ❑ After sieving: 25.000 t/y hygienised vfg-compost (0-12,5 mm) ('other manure')

Compost from green waste + pre-digested vfg-waste (IOK Afvalbeheer) (P-ID 272)



- Dry matter: avg 65%
- Total N: 1,7-2,2% (dm)
- P_2O_5 : 0,8-1,2% (dm)
- K_2O : 1,1-1,8% (dm)
- CaO: 2,5-4% (dm)

- MgO: 0,5-0,8% (dm)
- Plant available nutrient content %:
N (15%), P_2O_5 (50%), K_2O (80%)
- Organic carbon: 21-23% (dm)
- EC: avg 2000-3000 $\mu S/cm$
- pH (H_2O): 8,7-9
- FPR: PFC3A / CMC3



Key characteristics/advantages of certified compost

- ❑ Closing material and nutrient cycle
- ❑ Inputs & output controlled – stabilised & hygienised
- ❑ Resupplying carbon to soil
 - Improves soil biodiversity by increasing microbiological fauna & flora
 - Improves rootability
 - Slow release of nutrients
 - Increases cation exchange capacity of soil
 - Increases water retention capacity/decrease vulnerability to erosion & droughts
 - Reduces leaching
- ❑ **Compost is part of sustainable fertilising practice**



Key facts compost-use

❑ In agriculture:

- Arable crops, grasslands, viticulture, horticulture/green houses, arboriculture
- Broad-based (classic lime/manure spreader) or locally applied

❑ Application (Flanders):

- Type of farm, region (N), soil (P), crop, season, catch crops?
- use **standard manure code** (nutrient content) for green/vfg-compost
- Nitrogen use efficiency: 15% for certified green-/vfg-compost
- **Typically 10-15 t/ha/y** (restricting parameter usually P)
- Recent soil analysis & corresponding fertilisation advice
- Soil improvement & basic fertilisation ↔ extra N required



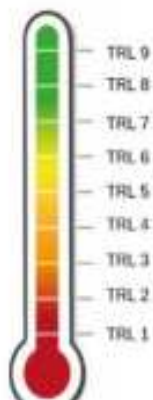
Digestate products





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Liquid and solid (dried) fraction digestate from manure and energy maize by "AgroGas" process (ID:264)



Input material

manure, organic wastes (cfr Vlaamse (Flanders) and positive list FOD (B)) and/or energy maize

Nutrient content info

Dried solid fraction: 2.4-3.1 N% (dm), 3.7-5.5% P₂O₅ (dm), 1.5-4.2% K₂O (dm) ; Liquid fraction: 5.7-9.9 N% (dm), 2.1-6.4% P₂O₅ (dm), 3.4-8.9% K₂O (dm)

Status

Available on the market

Recommended crops

cereals, fresh vegetables and strawberries, potatoes, sugar beet, fresh vegetables and strawberries, grapes, permanent crops (fruit trees), permanent grassland...

Application dose

Liquid fraction: on average 30 tonnes/ha (depending on soil, season, crop...); Dried solid fraction digestate: on average 2 t/ha (depending on soil, season,

Type of farming

conventional low input

Basic information

Vendor:

- Name: Agrogas bvba
- Contact: Sven Bogaerts
- Website: website

Country:

Belgium

Product main category:

Compost and Digestate (and biomass)

Product subcategory:

Digestate

Languages

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Sustainable recycling of biowaste



Digestate products

- Use of digestate products (in general):
 - Raw digestate and liquid fraction → fertiliser in local agriculture
 - Solid fraction → organic fertiliser/soil improver (often export)
 - Dried digestate →
 - landscaping,
 - organic fertiliser in agriculture (often export),
 - as an ingredient for organic fertilisers (often export)

Agrogas (Geel (B))

AD + post-treatments (T-ID 263)



➔ **2 separate lines** of co-digestion + digestate post-treatments (separation, drying, MBR, RO and/or evaporation) : 70.000 t/y (biowaste from plant or animal origin (incl manure) and energy crops): 'animal manure' vs 'other manure' status

➔ 50.000 à 55.000 t/y raw digestate/solid fraction/(evaporated) liquid fraction (incl concentrated/effluent)

➔ up to 2.000 t/y dried digestate (animal manure status): from AD + thermophilic post-digestion (hygienisation) + separation (sieve belt) + thermal drying

Dried digestate – Agrogas (P-ID 264)



- Dry matter: 80-90%
- N: 2,4-3,1% (dm)
- P_2O_5 : 3,7-5,5% (dm)
- K_2O : 1,5-4,2% (dm)
- Plant available nutrient content %: N (30%), P_2O_5 (50-70%), K_2O (80-100%)

- CaO: 2,9-4,4% (dm) - SO_3 : 1,9-2,8% (dw) - MgO 1-1,6% (dm)
- OC: 34-40% (dm)
- pH (H_2O): 8,5-9,3
- FPR: PFC1A/PFC3A; CMC4/CMC5



Key facts dried digestate products (1)

❑ General characteristics/advantages:

- Inputs/output monitored (QA)
- Conform strict requirements (limit values for organic & inorganic/physical contaminants) (ARC (Flanders))
- Homogenised & hygienised (cfr ABPR): free of pathogens, insect larvae and weed seeds
- Energetic recuperation & closing material and nutrient cycle
- Containing macro-/micro-nutrients (fertilising) & carbon (soil improving)
- High % dm: optimized storage/transport & longer shelf life
- Export P ($\leftarrow \rightarrow$ also C & N)



Key facts dried digestate products (2)

❑ Agricultural use:

- Arable land farming, horticulture, ...: cereals, maize, potato, sugar beet, grapes, permanent crops (fruit trees), grassland,...
- broad-based (e.g. classic lime or manure spreader) or locally applied (e.g. top dresser).
- May be best applied in rainy weather for non-pelletised dried digestate



❑ Application (Flanders):

- Type of farm, region (N), soil (P), crop, season, catch crops?
- Each digestate produc(t)/(er): specific composition → **ask/use representative analysis**
- Recent soil analysis and corresponding fertilisation advice
- < 170 kg N/ha/y (if animal manure/non derogation farms)
- Nitrogen use efficiency (plant availability): 30% (↔ 60% for 'other manure')
- **Typically 2-4 t/ha/y** (restricting parameter (in flanders) is P)
- Good basic fertilisation (incl. C) ↔ extra N usually required





Thanks for your attention!
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