

# BDI-2021-ICE (II) INDUSTRIAL PILOT TO VALORIZE CAST SEaweEDS ON ISLE OF WIGHT (UK)

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## I. PRESTATION

### A. Coordination

#### 1. Avancement sur les options de valorisations

Suite au premier rapport de faisabilité économique de 2021, nous retenons 4 possibilités de juillet et décembre 2022 sans toutefois déboucher dans le temps imparti vers un pilote.

##### a) *Compostage et biostimulant*

peuvent effectivement témoigner.

##### b) *Biométhane + chaleur + électricité + compost*

plus récemment avec la coopérative agricole IW grain.

##### c)

Avec un mini sur la côte avec un minimum de transport mais un avantage uniquement et exclusivement publié<sup>1</sup> mai la démonstration des coûts

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[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/286921510\\_AlgoBox\\_R\\_Un\\_outil\\_ecologique\\_pour\\_la\\_regeneration\\_des\\_pieds\\_de\\_dunes\\_grace\\_aux\\_echouages\\_de\\_macro-algues](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/286921510_AlgoBox_R_Un_outil_ecologique_pour_la_regeneration_des_pieds_de_dunes_grace_aux_echouages_de_macro-algues)



: Deux types AlgoBox® installés en juillet 2014 sur la plage de Penvins dans le Morbihan, France (a et b) ; échouage massif d'algues rouges et remplissage des AlgoBox® avec *S. chordalis* (c) ; colonisation des AlgoBox® par la végétation (d) (Sedrati et Cochet 2015).

Figure 1: algobox

d) *Ramassage et ensilage*

Cette étape est le prérequis pour les 2 premières méthodes de valorisation : compostage et production de bio méthane. A ce stade, les contacts sont établis avec la Scottish Association for

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2. o indépendance énergétique des îles

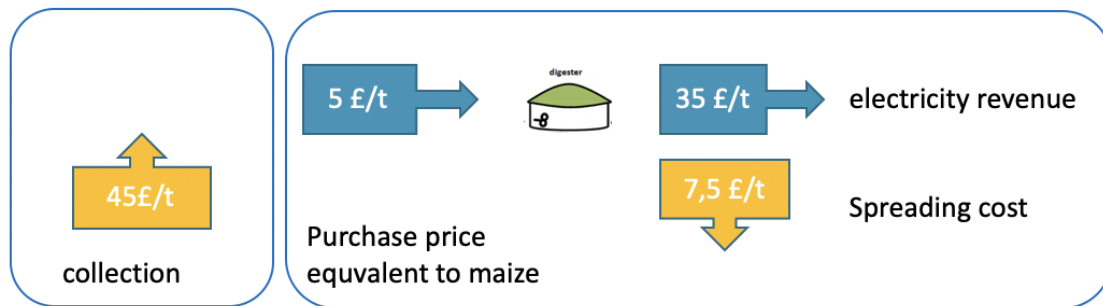
Conjointement à un outil de calcul du potentiel énergétique des îles, ce projet ICE a pu être présenté lors du 3<sup>e</sup> Virtual Island Summit le 29 septembre 2022 sur le thème : « Bio economy for islands : how to valorize your wastes and produce energy?

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encore rentable certes, mais dans un environnement qui le rend de plus en plus crédible.

## Take away

- Seaweed is not an energetic biomass
- But seaweed can be digested
- Economic ratio is unbalanced between community and private sector
- Actual energy price and technical feasibility deserve interest



Community

Private

Figure 2: Take away du Virtual Island Summit 2022

### B. Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

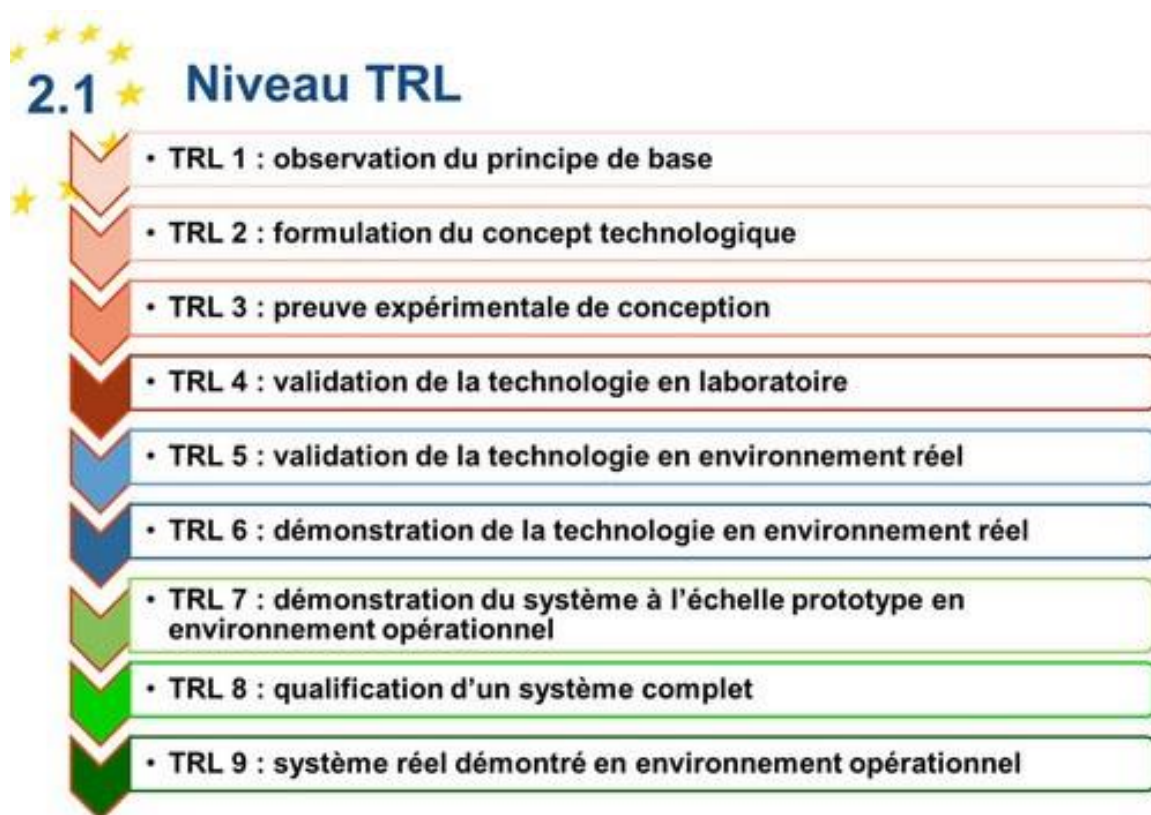


Figure 3: description des TRL par le ministère de la recherche en 2020

1. Progression TRL (Technology Readiness Level)

En juillet 2022 chez Inovalys nous avons démontré le potentiel de bio méthane dans les algues et assuré le **TRL 4** : validation de la technologie en laboratoire.

Dans sa phase opératoire, le projet a rencontré une indisponibilité des méthaniseurs pour y réaliser des essais.

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eux.

Voir le refus provisoire de BlackDog en Annexe 4.

2. Description du pilote

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anaérobie en quantité expérimentale.

Voir le protocole en Annexe 3.

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Afin de préparer la collecte du digestat en fin de process, il avait été préparé une note destinée à B B B B B B B B B B

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source: <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5706049/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5706049/</a>							source: CEVA							
mg/100g dry	K	Na	Ca	Mg	Fe	Cl	mg/100g dry	K	Na	Ca	Mg	Fe	Cl	
AN	3781.35 ± 13.40	4575.71 ± 50.05	984.73 ± 47.26	867.82 ± 12.01	13.34 ± 0.90	3079		2144	2871	1601	831	19	3079	10545
FV	3745.05 ± 36.01	2187.51 ± 36.90	1160.27 ± 23.10	732.37 ± 5.35	18.99 ± 0.32			2654	3238	1187	661	14	3079	10833
3T at 30% (equivalent for 1T dry)														
in kg/T dry	K	Na	Ca	Mg	Fe	Cl	TOTAL	K	Na	Ca	Mg	Fe	Cl	TOTAL
AN	37.81	45.75	9.85	8.68	0.13	30.79	133.01	21.44	28.71	16.01	8.31	0.19	30.79	105.45
FV	37.45	21.87	11.6	7.32	0.19	30.79	109.22	26.54	32.38	11.87	6.61	0.14	30.79	108.33

Figure 4: calculateur de minéraux à épandre

Voir la note en Annexe 6 : Note for pilot test in AD plant

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Suite à la présentation a B Q B B B B B B B B B B B B B B

Voir le « briefing Note » en Annexe 2.

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1 load		7 T						
		To	Black dog-Stag Lane	WhiteFarm - Arreton				
<b>WITHOUT SWD</b>								
intransit capacity T/ day			60	145				
intransit capacity T/ year			21000	50750				
<b>WITH SWD</b>								
	with ensiling		21%	11%		spread 100% volume along the 12 months		
intransit capacity T/ day			13	16				
intransit capacity T/ year			4410	5582,5				
<b>WITH SWD</b>								
	no ensiling		39%	22%		concentrate 100% volume in 5 months		
intransit capacity T/ day			23	32				
intransit capacity T/ year			3510	4785				
<b>unit price (£) per load</b>								
	From		£/load	£/load	£	quotation Q800/KGC/PAS from Kevin		
	Sandown		200	150				
	East Cowes		200	150				
<b>unit price (£) per day</b>								
			1050					
		£/d	T/ load	loads/d to Black D	loads/d to White F.	£	tons	£/t
day 1 - Sandown		1050	7	2	5	2200	49	
day 2 - Sandown		1050	7	2	5	2200	49	
day 3 - Sandown		1050	7	2	5	2200	49	
day 4 - East Cowes		1050	7	2	5	2200	49	
day 5 - East Cowes		1050	7	2	5	2200	49	
day 6 - East Cowes		1050	7	2	5	2200	49	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>7,5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>13200</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>44,9</b>
<b>Ratio swd/intransit</b>								
				25%	26%			

Figure 5: Répartition logistique de l'essai



### C. Conclusions

Ce projet se continue au-delà des dates du projet tant que les perspectives de valorisations aux possibilités techniques de les valoriser.

et qui tient compte de toutes les étapes nécessaires au bon traitement des algues.

complètement avec le timing du rapport de ce projet.

Un déclenchement peut tout à fait être ajusté au printemps.

algues, se heurte froidement à la réalité économique et à la priorisation des partenaires anglais. Les efforts pour réunir les acteurs de Black Dog, IoW Council, IW Grain (coopérative agricole)

complètement avec le timing du rapport de ce projet.

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## II. ANNEXES

### 1. Annexe 1: QUOTATION FOR COLLECTION

# K COGHLAN PLANT & TRANSPORT LIMITED

**Pound Cottage, Pound Lane  
Calbourne, Newport,  
Isle of Wight. PO30 4JX.**

**Email: kevin@kevincoghlan.co.uk**

**Plant Hire  
Haulage**

**General  
Contractor**

**TELEPHONE: (01983) 531837**

**MOBILE: 07973 317 248**

FAO: Jean-Baptiste  
JBW Consulting SAS  
Email: [jbwallaertconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:jbwallaertconsulting@gmail.com)

Q800/KGC/PAS  
02/09/2022

**Re: Seaweed Removal**

We have pleasure in submitting our quotation for the following as discussed earlier:-

#### **Machines**

Telehandler & Operator  
ZX130 Excavator & Operator  
Banksman  
Welfare Van

**For The Sum Of £1,050.00 Per Tide**

Please note these rates are based on normal working hours 07.30 to 17.00

Rates charged after are charged at the following:

17.00 to Midnight – Time & Half

Midnight to 07.30 – Double Time

#### **Haulage**

Sandown Beach to White Farm Arreton @ £150.00 Per Load  
Sandown Beach to Black Farm Stag Lane @ £200.00 Per Load  
East Cowes Beach to White Farm Arreton @ £150.00 Per Load  
East Cowes Beach to Black Farm Stag Lane @ £200.00 Per Load

This quotation is valid for 3 Months Only

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me

**Yours sincerely**

**K Coghlan  
Director**

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## 2. Annexe 2: Briefing note

### EU seaweed project - valorisation trial

### Briefing note

#### Background

A report was considered by the Harbour Committee on 12.01.2022 regarding the above; members were advised that a piece of work has been jointly commissioned by the Isle of Wight Council and Ventnor Town Council to look at possible alternative uses of seaweed in Ventnor harbour and areas of foreshore leased or owned by the Council.

The work was undertaken by JBW Consulting through a European funded programme called ICE; their presentation is attached as an appendix and as can be seen this included, the scope of the project, quantities of seaweed around the Isle of Wight and details of samples taken for analysis, was circulated to members in advance of the meeting. Jean Baptist (JB) from JBW ran through the report and took questions.

It was agreed that officers would take the report back to discuss how the issue could be delivered. Accordingly, officers have been in contact with JB to discuss a way forward.

The recommendation from JB is to undertake a pilot scheme which would see seaweed removed from two key locations and taken to anaerobic digesters (AD) and this would establish the feasibility for a full scheme.

It is therefore proposed to use a local contractor to remove approximately 350 tonnes of seaweed from East Cowes and Sandown beaches; this would be split approximately 50/50 and taken to each of the two AD plants. Whilst larger quantities would be preferable such a pilot could be delivered for **£15k**.

The aim of the pilot would be to enable the AD plants to review and potentially adjust their processes to be able to effectively deal with seaweed and would ensure that it is technically viable before considering a full scheme.

Clearly seaweed is the result of natural phenomenon quite often combined with human activity where it impacts on natural processes (i.e., construction of marine facilities on areas of foreshore) and this can require removal and disposal to avoid a nuisance being created due to decomposition and odours.

The aim of the trial is to demonstrate that seaweed can be collected, processed and converted to energy through existing AD plants on the Isle of Wight Council.

For the purposes of the trial (and based on previous research) it is assumed that:

- 1 kg seaweed **VS** generates 200l/kg VS of methane => 1T seaweed (14%**DM**) generates 18m3 **CH4**.
- 1m3 methane delivers 10 kWh
- 1t seaweed fresh (15% DM) generates 180 kWh HHV
- 1 MWH has a value of £55 to £108 (depending on tariffs for each site)

**VS = volatile solid; DM= dry matter; CH4=methane**

#### Financial impact

There is currently no budget available to remove seaweed from Isle of Wight Council managed beaches; accordingly, the cost to remove seaweed either as part of pilot or a full scheme would be an additional cost. However, there is an opportunity to sell seaweed to an AD plant and obtain an income from the energy generate; for the pilot this will partially offset the costs to collect, dry and transport the seaweed.

Based on figures collated by JBW the following is considered reasonable for the pilot: -

Activity	Milestone	£
Collect 350 tonnes fresh (15% dry matter) seaweed @ £45/t	- Sun drying efficiency - Ensilage quality - Storage capacity	15,750
Sell 175 tonnes dry (30% dry matter) seaweed to AD plant @ £5/t	- Inhibition inactive - Sand content	-875
Cost for 21T digestate spreading and agronomic value @ £2t	- Existing AD plants, including R&D - Partnership contract	42
Produce energy from 175 dry tonnes	- Investigate further a mix with household waste	-9,925
<b>Total (net)</b>		<b>4,908</b>

### Options

1. Agree to fund the pilot scheme to assess the technical viability of removing seaweed from Isle of Wight Council beaches which can be processed at AD plants and converted to energy. Cost £15k
2. Ask East Cowes and Sandown Town Councils to fund £7.5k each to cover the cost of the pilot.
3. Ask East Cowes and Sandown Town Councils to fund £5k each with the remaining £5k being funded by the Isle of Wight Council.
4. Agree not to proceed with the pilot scheme.

### 3. Annexe 3: Protocole

Protocole envoyé le 28 Juillet 2023 :

BDI-ICE 2022 - protocole.docx



This project is the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of previous project BDI 2021-ICE completed in December 2021 and reported in January 2022.  
ICE project aims at identifying all sources of energy available on isolated territories in order to propose a method to gain in autonomy.

**Project Objective:**  
Assess the technology readiness level 5 and improve to TRL 6 and 7 by operating a pilot in existing installations identified to process seaweeds  
The pilot would treat 1000T of the 18,500T available per year on Isle of Wight.

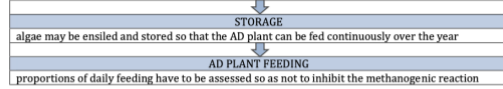
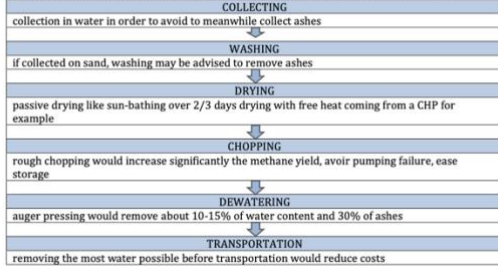
#### I. PROTOCOLE

##### A. Objectives

- Identify financial conditions to make seaweeds collection, treatment, purchase acceptable for energy + fertilizer valorization
- Understand technical requirements such as
  - o Sulfate content
  - o Polyphenol concentration
  - o Salt concentration
  - o Inoculum quality
  - o Hydrolysis temperature
  - o Integration mix into existing crop mix
- Measure biomethane potential (BMP) under different mix. This is to evaluate the methanogenic reaction, its parameters.
- Differentiate yield according to the season. Low carbohydrate is expected in spring. Therefore the autumn collection would be ensiled for all year round operation.
- Assess full usage of the biomass until land spreading or composting

##### B. Process

According to project report deliverable (ICE-IOW Lot\_Energy\_2021-08-24\_summary - p6)



##### C. Cost and revenue

Assuming :  
1T seaweed content 15% dry matter. 60% of DM is volatile solid (40% is mineral). 55% of VS is methane.  
1 kg seaweed VS generates 200l/kg VS of methane => 1T seaweed (14%DM) generates 18m3 CH4.  
1m<sup>3</sup> methane delivers 10 kWh  
1t seaweed fresh (15% DM) generates 180 kWh HHV  
1 MWH = 55 to 108 € depending on tariffs for each site

COST	Phase 1 (€ / t fresh seaweed)	Phase 2 - tbd
Collecting – handling - rinsing	26	
Transporting	13	
Chopping	6	
Ensiling	30 (for 50% of the volume)	
Land spreading	2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62</b>	

REVENUE		
Energy	11 to 20	
Crop saving	5	
Nitrogen extra	0,8	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,8 to 25,8</b>	

Need in funding range : 36,2 to 45,2 €/T for 1000T.  
A 45,000€ funding will be necessary to handle 1000T of seaweeds and compile feasibility of the pilot.

#### II. OPERATIONS

##### A. Lab Test

August – september  
Run BMP test in lab, similar to operations consuming fresh seaweeds  
Quantity to be decided according to lab capacity.  
Collection of 1 shot of seaweeds, kept frozen, added daily in the reactor at 5% of the mix.


##### B. Pilot test

October - november  
Prepare 120T/ week of swath rinsed



#### 4. Annexe 4 : Refus Black Dog

##### a) Proposition de rencontre en janvier 23

 **Mark Ridett** <mark@staglanebiogas.co.uk> 14 déc. 2022 11:54 ☆ ↶ ⋮  
À moi, Craig, Paul ▼

🌐 Détection de la langue > français Traduire le message Désactiver pour : anglais x

Hi Jean - Baptiste,


I'd be happy to meet you in January but I am a little unsure as to what exactly you want from us at this stage ?

My main priority is maintaining biological stability in the digesters and wouldn't want to do anything to jeopardise that as we are a commercial organisation which needs to operate at maximum capacity whenever possible,

**regards,**

**Mark Ridett - Plant Manager**

##### b) agenda

 **JBW Consulting** <jbwallaertconsulting@gmail.com> 6 janv. 2023 09:36 ☆ ↶ ⋮  
À Mark, Craig, Paul ▼

Dear Mark  
Happy new year to you and your team !

I understand we can't use the facility as a test unprepared.  
To optimize the trip I suggest  
- test with freshly prepared seaweed (rinsed, cut) with your lab a Biomethane potential test with 5%, 10%, 15% incorporation. **Could you arrange availability with your lab to organize this protocole ?**  
- meet farmer to test ensiling with fresh seaweed I will have collected during the trip (300T) and digestate data sheet.  
**Do you think you could involve your farmer partner in this ensiling test ?** I can bring knowledge from institutes if needed.

Today seaweed are not competing maize but can be seen as a rescue in case of.  
The day we're advanced to process 18,000T yes it will compete but time to open a new facility together with industrial waste. I still see discussions as preparing the future.  
Sean Newton from IoW council is on a good way to get funding for the pilot test and he will announce there will be no over cost for you. That's why I can propose to move forward.

Cordialement,  
Jean-Baptiste W.

##### c) indisponibilité

19/02/2023 15:52

Gmail - [ICE] Preparation webinar IOW



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#### [ICE] Preparation webinar IOW

**Mark Ridett** <mark@staglanebiogas.co.uk>

6 janvier 2023 à 12:30

À : JBW Consulting <jbwallaertconsulting@gmail.com>

Cc : Craig Ibbetson <craig.ibbetson@sed-ltd.co.uk>, Paul Andrews <paul.andrews@sed-ltd.co.uk>

Hi Jean Baptiste,

We don't have a lab on site and would have to send any samples to the mainland for testing which is expensive.

We would consider purchasing the finished product in the future to supplement our feedstock but we don't have the time or resources to develop the product which may or may not come to fruition.

Our biologist is not keen on using seaweed but as I say it is something we may consider in the future as a refined feedstock we can have delivered to site and pay an agreed figure per tonne weighed over our weighbridge. Until you are at this stage we cannot assist further.

Can you ensure any future correspondence is directed to me only and not Craig and Paul,

Thanks and Happy New Year,

**regards,**

**Mark Ridett - Plant Manager**



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5. Annexe 5 : intérêt en biostimulant



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**FW: On a different matter....**

3 messages

**Fawcett, Jim** <Jim.Fawcett@iow.gov.uk>

18 novembre 2022 à 10:53

À : JBW Consulting <jbwallaertconsulting@gmail.com>

Cc : "jack.hodgson@chevertonfarm.co.uk" <jack.hodgson@chevertonfarm.co.uk>, "Newton, Sean" <Sean.Newton@iow.gov.uk>, Peter Thomas <peter@iwgrain.co.uk>

Hi JB,

I had a very interesting conversation with Jack Hodgson yesterday and the answers to your questions, assuming I've noted what Jack said correctly, are as follows:

- What is the sodium content in soil where the digestate is spread ? It is not common for farmers to measure the Na content in their soils. Na has a detrimental effect on plant growth and, if there was poor growth of a crop, the level of Na might be determined to see if it was likely to be a cause. Jack is going to check a recent soil analysis for his farm to see if the Na content is shown; if so, this is likely to be representative of most farm soils as we can't think of any reasons for variation across the Island.
- What is the limit for Na content ? There is no specific limit set, it's really what is healthy for plants.
- What is the tonnage of digestate spread by hectare? This is determined by the organic nitrogen in the digestate which should not exceed 250kg N per hectare (although there can be slight variations on this depending on soil type). This equates to a total of 66 tonnes of digestate per hectare per year which is spread in two applications.

The farmers are actually looking at ways of improving the quality of the digestate through the addition of bio-stimulants. I know that seaweed products are often sold to gardeners as bio-stimulants and I wondered whether this was true and whether you can provide any further information to Jack on this aspect?

Best wishes,

**Jim Fawcett** | Principal Officer (Low Carbon Projects) | Regeneration



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18 novembre 2022 à 15:56

À : "Fawcett, Jim" <Jim.Fawcett@iow.gov.uk>

Cc : "Jack.hodgson@chevertonfarm.co.uk" <jack.hodgson@chevertonfarm.co.uk>, "Newton, Sean" <Sean.Newton@iow.gov.uk>, Peter Thomas <peter@iwgrain.co.uk>

Dear Jim,

Dear Jack, nice meeting you

I sincerely appreciate your answers and open mindset to put us through.

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/?ik=541cef305b&view=pt&search=all&permthid=thread-f%3A1749827167264293776&simpl=msg-f%3A1749827167264293...> 4/6

20/02/2023 15:46

Gmail - FW: On a different matter...

## NITROGEN

- I fully agree with Nitrogen concern, and I've already discussed with BlackDog AD plant that the impact of Na will be minimum compared to N that will come first as limitation factor.
- From seaweed all N is not available for transfer. I have in mind that 30T/ha of seaweed cake from hydrocolloid extraction brings 140kg of N whom 50kg are available per ha. It's a start for AD digestate comparison.
- to compare, France has a similar limit to 200kg N/ha in cultivated land up to 4350kg N/ha in meadows. Of course other limits are also coming in dry matter, C/N ratio, heavy metals, dioxins.

## BIOSTIMULANT

Regarding biostimulant, it is true that brown seaweeds offer real benefit. They contribute to activate self defence, by producing hormones to inform the plant to develop its own biology to fight.

Retails offers different products:

- <https://www.gardenhealth.com/westland-specialist-seaweed-organic-liquid-feed>
- same at B&Q and more..

The use of fresh seaweeds as source of organic matter and as fertiliser is ancient in agriculture, but biostimulant effects have been recorded and researched only recently. This prompts the commercial use of seaweed extracts and of purified compounds, which include the polysaccharides laminarin, alginates, ulvans and carrageenans and their breakdown products. Other constituents contributing to the plant growth promotion include micro- and macronutrients, sterols, N-containing compounds like betaines, and hormones. Several of these compounds are indeed unique to their algal source, explaining the increasing interest of the scientific community and of the industry for these taxonomic groups.

For our ICE project, as the raw material is stranded seaweeds and we have 2 AD plants, I walk toward compost and methane valorisation.

For another project I have in Brittany, the industrial has already an extraction process and I valorize the liquid into laminarin extract. I can bring you a sample and data sheet. Product is under conception and still a prototype. Goëmar, Agrocean, Tradecorp, Valagro..are some of the many companies on the market.

Looking forward to sharing more, especially if I manage to visit you before year end,

Best regards

JB



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November 13th 2022

## NOTE FOR PILOT TEST IN AD PLANT

Prior to test a quantity of fresh rinsed chopped seaweed into AD plant we want to clarify implication in spreading the digestate

### I. QUALITY OF DIGESTATE

#### A. Gas emissions

##### 1. NO<sub>2</sub>

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are clearly correlated to the mineral N-content of the different soil amendments, being highest in the minerally fertilized treatment and lowest in the non-amended control and pure *Ulva* treatments. **No differences between the different concentration of ulva added in the manure slurry 20% and 40%.**

Source : Energy Production from Marine Biomass (*Ulva lactuca*) - PSO Project No. 2008-1-0050 , Nov2011

##### 2. CO<sub>2</sub>

As seaweed is wet, there is no high content of easily degradable organic matter as could be in the dried algae. **Digestate still brings around 40µg CO<sub>2</sub> / g dry soil** whatever the seaweed content (20% to 40%).

CO<sub>2</sub> with mainly escape during biogas production.

Source : Energy Production from Marine Biomass (*Ulva lactuca*) - PSO Project No. 2008-1-0050 , Nov2011

##### 3. SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>

When co-digested with manure the sulfate concentration of the mixture was well **below the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> inhibition level** of 1.4g/L, reported by Siles (Siles et al, 2010).

Source : Energy Production from Marine Biomass (*Ulva lactuca*) - PSO Project No. 2008-1-0050 , Nov2011

Conclusion : The co-digestion of *Ulva lactuca* together with cattle manure does not alter the overall fertilization value and GreenHouse Gas emission potential of the digestate. However, some deeper insights in plant nutrient uptake and soil nutrient dynamics (including soil microbial biomass) are expected when all data are analysed

B. Chemical content

1. N,P,K

Contribution estimated per T of digestate :

parameter	Average (kg/T gross weight)	availability coefficient %	available value (kg/ T gross weight)	Manure reference
N total	4,25	20	0,85	
P2O5	0,75	60	0,45	3,1
K2O	8,7	100	8,7	8,1
MgO	3,6	100	3,6	
CaO	4,8	100	4,8	

Table 1

Our test will have to analyze how much the % of seaweed introduced impacts the % of N,P,K

2. Heavy metals and iodine

mg/kg dry	content %	P mg/kg dry	I mg/kg dry	As total mg/kg dry	Cd mg/kg dry	Hg mg/kg dry	Pb mg/kg dry
Ascophyllum nodosum	50	0,7 (<1)	487 (<943)	43 (<52)	0,25 (<0,39)	<0,1	<1
Fucus vesiculosus	40	1,34 (<2)	320 (<496)	53,6 (<74)	0,71 (<0,97)	<0,1	<1
Palmaria palmata	5	2,85 (<4,7)	167 (<802)	11,8 (<22)	3,17 (<59)	<0,1	<1
others	<5						
Limit ( N F U 44-051) (concentration)				<18	3	2	180
Flow (g/ha)				270	45	30	2700

Table 2 – average content and (maximum in brackets)

Source: Maximum value from QUALITALG, CSAVM 2021 – sampling done in 2020-2021 in Finistère (France) for 6 species from 9 locations.

We assume that absorption is physiologic and that water quality will affect similarly the seaweed during its lifespan.

### 3. Salts

mg/100g dry	content	K	Na	Ca	Mg	Fe	Cl
Ascophyllum nodosum	50%	2144	2871	1601	831	19	3079
Fucus serratus	40%	2654	3238	1187	661	14	
Limit (N F U 44-051) (concentration) Flow (g/ha)							

Source <https://www.ceva-algues.com/en/document/nutritional-data-sheets-on-algae/>

Assuming 3T of seaweed with 30% DM, this input will add 106kg of salts in the digester.

If digester > 3500l, concentration remains < 30 g/L which is suitable for degradation.

If digester > 53m<sup>3</sup>, concentration falls to <2g/L which is suitable for land spreading.

#### RISK

Due to salts, pure seaweed land spreading is recommended every 3 years only.

After anaerobic digestion, we reduce significantly this risk of concentration.

#### BENEFIT

With seaweeds, the risk of integrating

Conclusion: Seaweed spreading dosage is usually around 15T/ha, given by nitrogen.