# Demonstration of a technology for highly efficient nitrogen removal using fixed-bed anammox process



### Research Consortium

Consortium between Kumamoto City, Japan Sewage Works Agency and Takuma Co., Ltd.

# **Demonstration Field**

Tobu Wastewater Treatment Plant, Kumamoto City

# **Project Outline**

By applying highly efficient anammox process using the fixed-bed system for the removal of nitrogen from the reject water of sludge treatment (dewatering of anaerobic digestion sludge), continuous operation of a full-scale demonstration plant was performed. Cost and energy saving effects, as well as nitrogen removal performance were demonstrated.

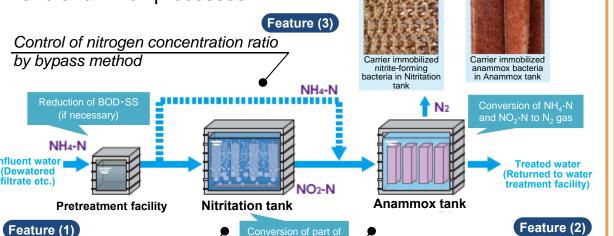
Use of fixed-bed reactors carrier



#### **Outline of Technology**

2-stage anammox process

◆Nitrogen removal technology combining partial nitritation and anammox processes



Schematic flow of demonstration

NH<sub>4</sub>-N to NO<sub>2</sub>-N

- ◆ Nitrogen removal efficiency: Approx. 80%
- ◆ Stable nitrogen removal performance, easy O&M
  - \* Anammox: A new biological reaction in which ammonia and nitrite are converted to nitrogen gas under anoxic condition

 $NH_4^+ + 1.32NO_2^- + 0.066HCO_3^- + 0.13H^+ \rightarrow 1.02N_2 + 0.26NO_3^- + 0.066CH_2O_0 + N_0 + 5 + 2.03H_2O_3^- + 0.066CH_2O_0 + N_0 + 2.03H_2O_3^- + 0.03H_2O_3^- + 0.03H_2O_3^-$ 

# **Features of Demonstration Technology**

#### [Features]

- Low-cost and energy-saving nitrogen removal technology using anammox reaction
- •To be applied to reject water treatment in order to reduce the nitrogen load and effluent nitrogen concentration in mainstream wastewater treatment.



Overview of installation of anammox process to municipal WWTP

#### [Advantages]

- In Comparison with conventional nitrogen removal technology (biological nitrification-denitrification processes)
  - (1) Reduced aeration
- (2) No organic matter addition for denitrification
- (3) Reduced footprint
- (4) Reduced sludge generation







