



EMERGING & LEGACY TOXIC CONTAMINANTS

CHESAPEAKE BAY BIOCHAR STAC WORKGROUP



Blame it on Gizmo!



MERCURY
CHESAPEAKE
84%
BIOSOLIDS
PUB
TOXICS
PFAS
BAY
IMPAIRED
PAHS
PHARMACEUTICALS
PFOA
PATHOGENS

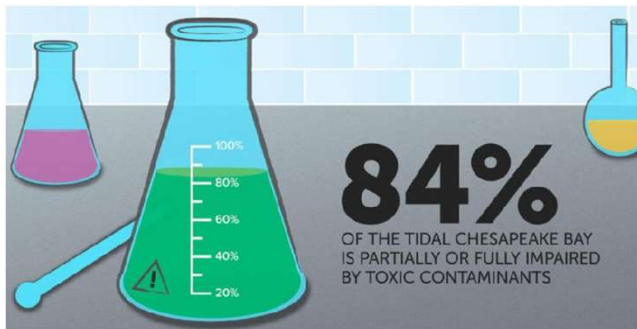
The Chesapeake Bay Toxics Strategy Includes the Following Actions:



1. Regulating industrial discharge.
2. Limiting the use of harmful pesticides.
3. Reducing runoff from urban and agricultural areas.
4. Monitoring the health of the watershed.
5. Addressing pollutants present in the environment.

PRIORITY TOXIC POLLUTANTS IN THE CHES BAY WATERSHED

According to data submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in 2018, 84 percent of the Chesapeake Bay's tidal segments are partially or fully impaired by toxic contaminants. (Source: *Chesapeakebay.net*)



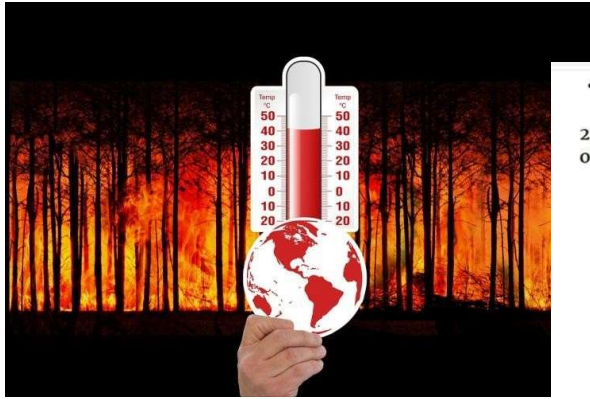
**POLYCHLORINATED
BIPHENYLS (PCBS)**

**MERCURY (HG) AND
HEAVY METALS**

**PESTICIDES,
PHARMACEUTICALS,
PATHOGENS**

**POLYAROMATIC
HYDROCARBONS PAHS**

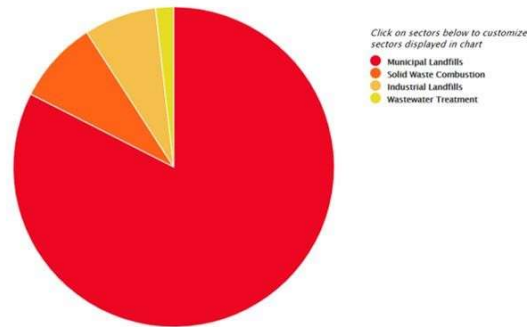
**PER- AND POLYFLUORINATED
SUBSTANCES (PFAS)**



- [Number of reporters and emissions in the waste sector \(as of 9/26/20\)](#)

2019 Total Reported Direct Emissions from Waste, by Subsector (as of 9/26/20)

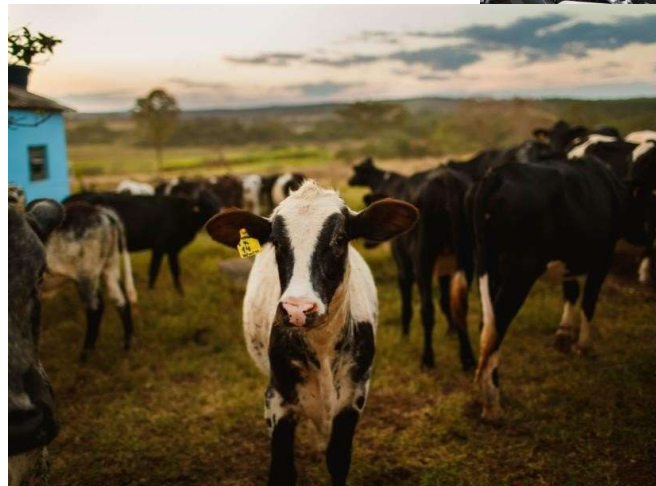
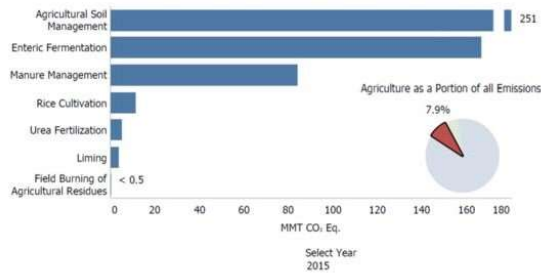
2019 Total Reported Emissions from the Waste Sector, by Subsector

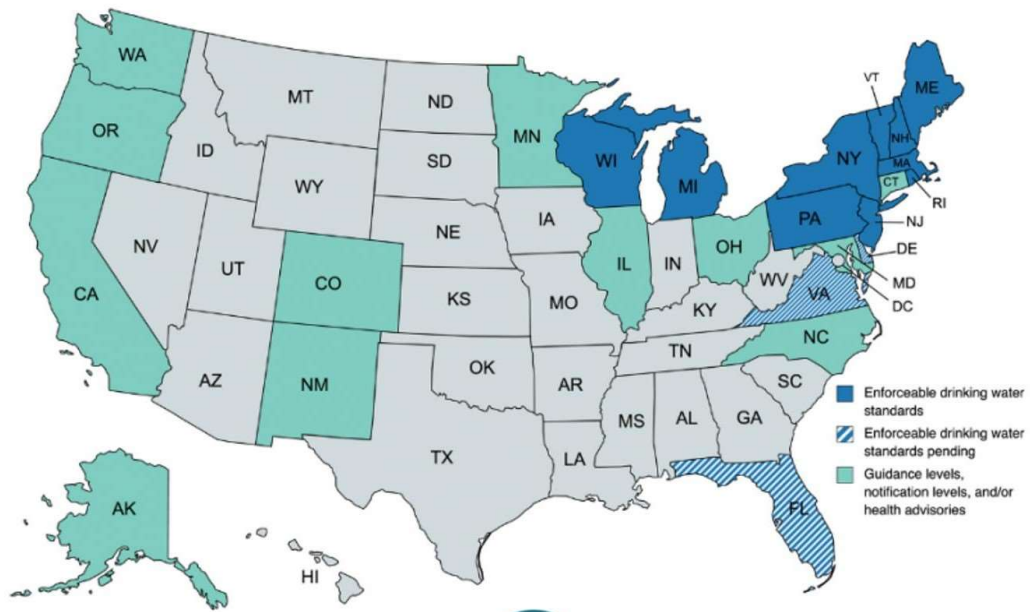
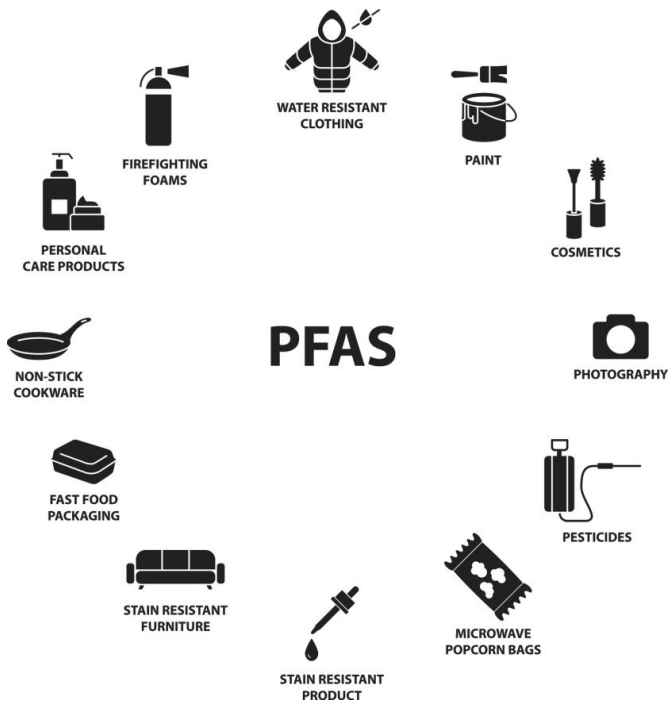


5. Agriculture

Agricultural activities contribute directly to emissions of greenhouse gases through a variety of processes. This chapter provides an assessment of methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from the following source categories: enteric fermentation in domestic livestock, livestock manure management, rice cultivation, agricultural soil management, and field burning of agricultural residues, as well as CO₂ emissions from liming and urea fertilization (see Figure 5-1). Additional CO₂ emissions and removals from agriculture-related land-use and management activities, such as cultivation of cropland and conversion of grassland to cropland, are presented in the Land Use, Land-Use Change, and Forestry chapter. Carbon dioxide emissions from on-farm energy use are reported in the Energy chapter.

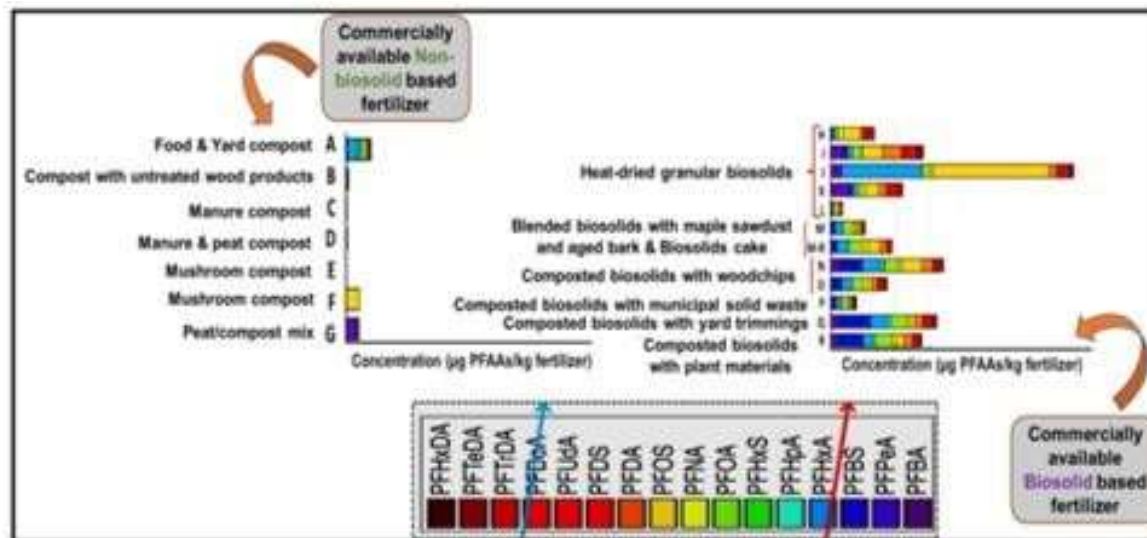
Figure 5-1: 2015 Agriculture Chapter Greenhouse Gas Emission Sources (MMT CO₂ Eq.)





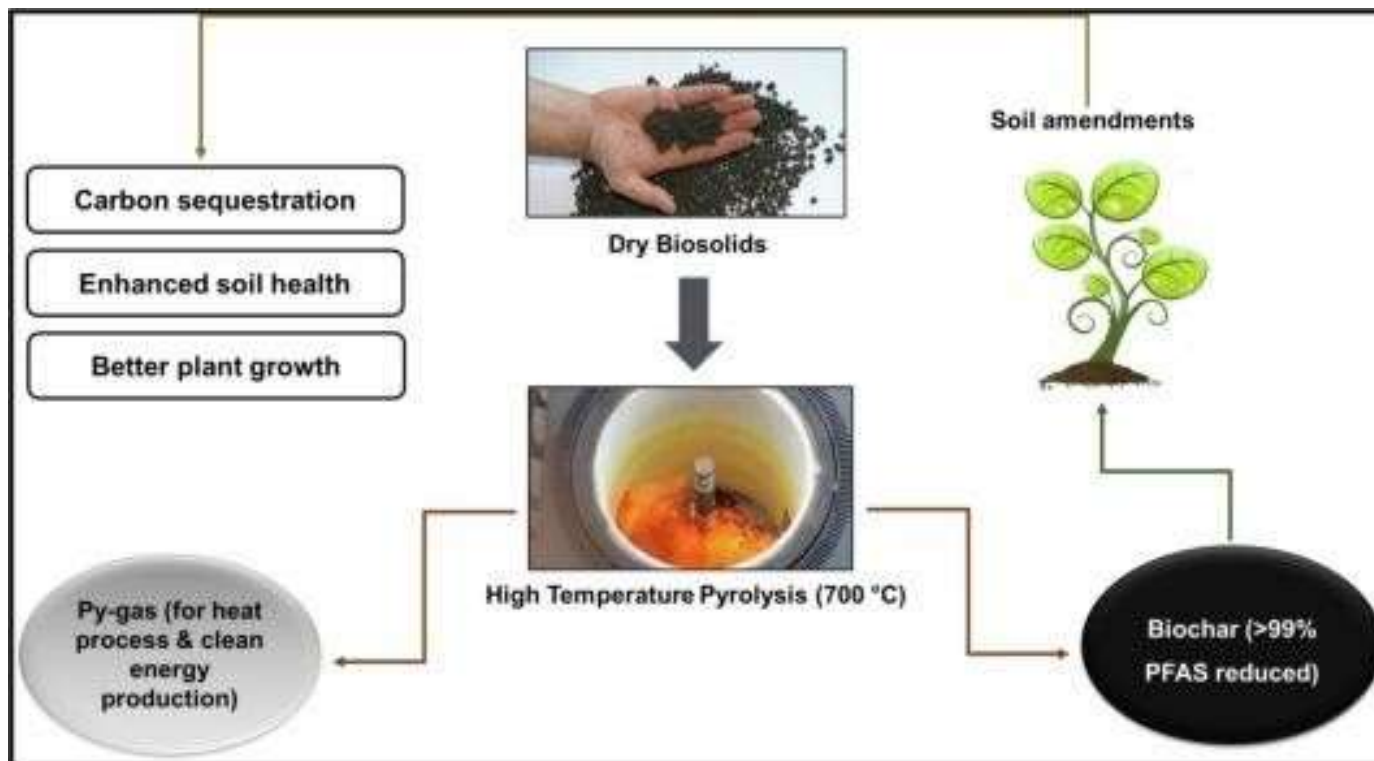
DISTRIBUTION OF COMMERCIALY ACCESSIBLE FERTILIZERS BASED ON BIOSOLID AND NON-BIOSOLID AS A BASIS FOR PFAS

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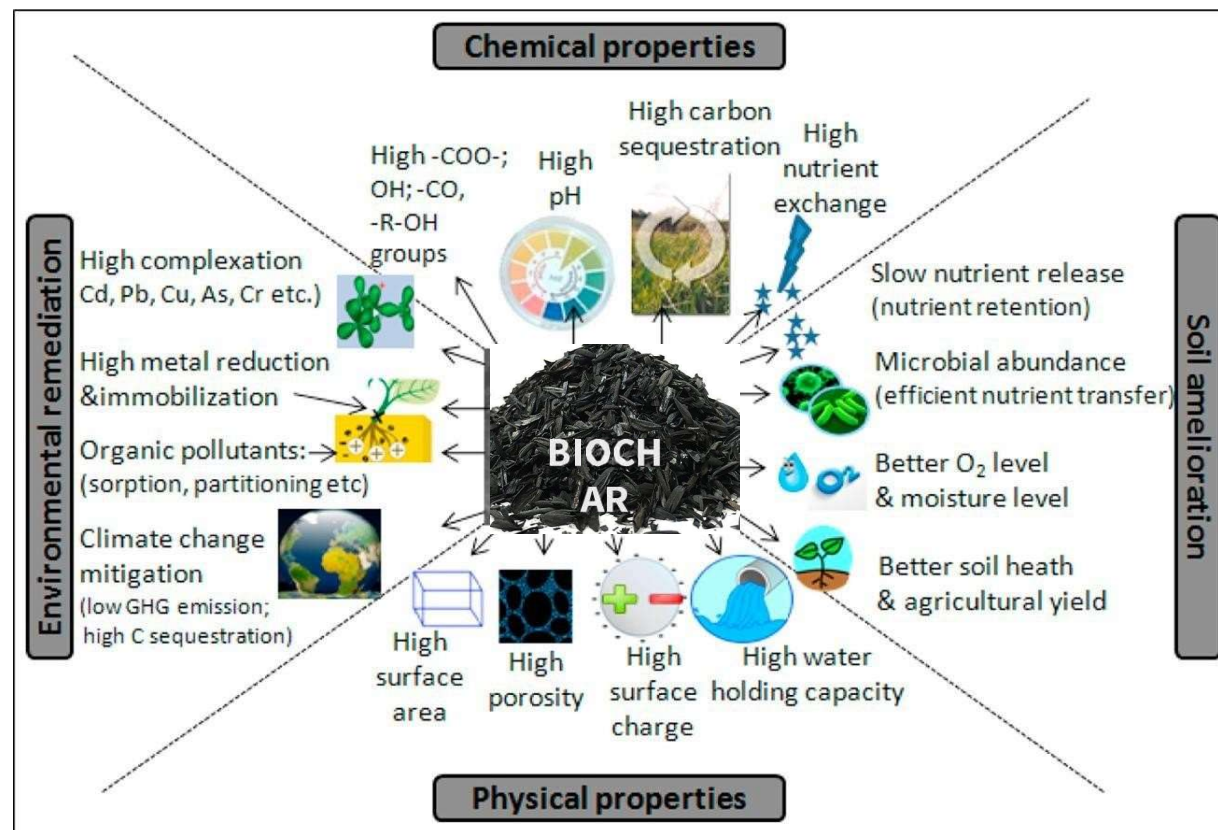
Distribution of commercially accessible fertilizers based on biosolid and non-biosolid as a basis for PFAS [24] (Reprinted with permission from ACS Publications).

HIGH-TEMPERATURE PYROLYSIS SYSTEM FOR PFAS DESTRUCTION IN BIOSOLIDS AND GENERATION OF VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS

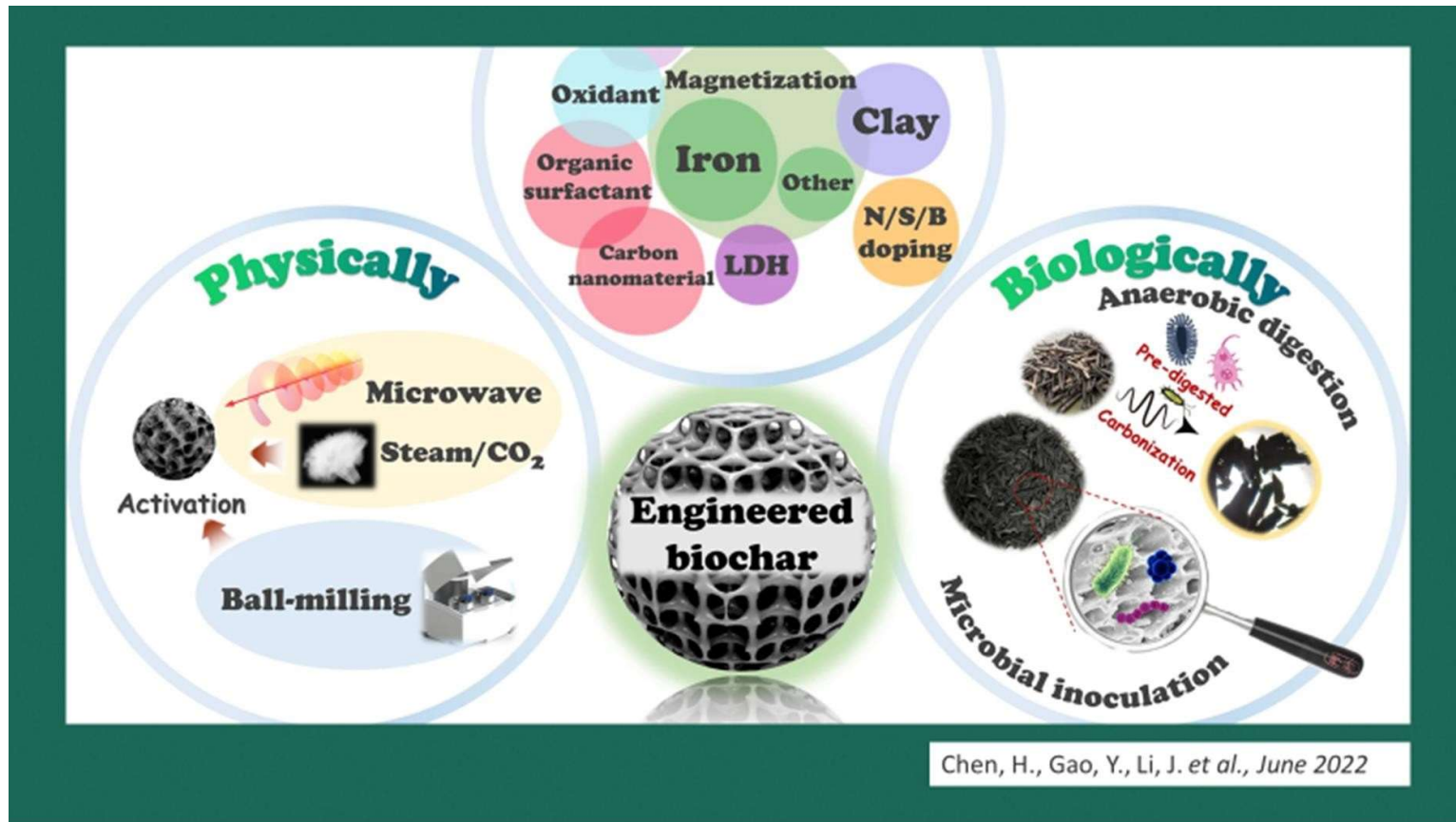


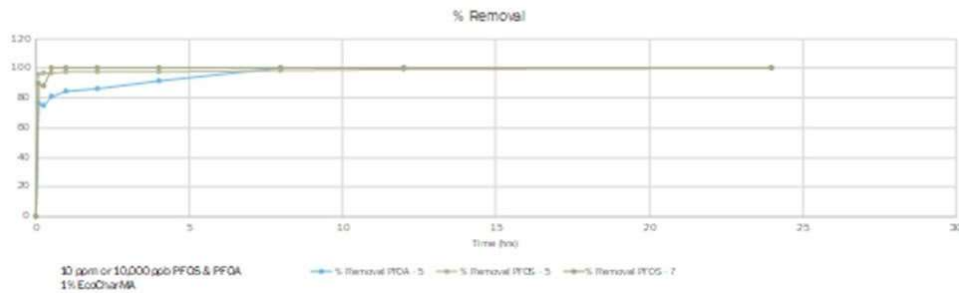
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BIOCHAR HAS EXCELLENT ADSORPTION PROPERTIES FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES.



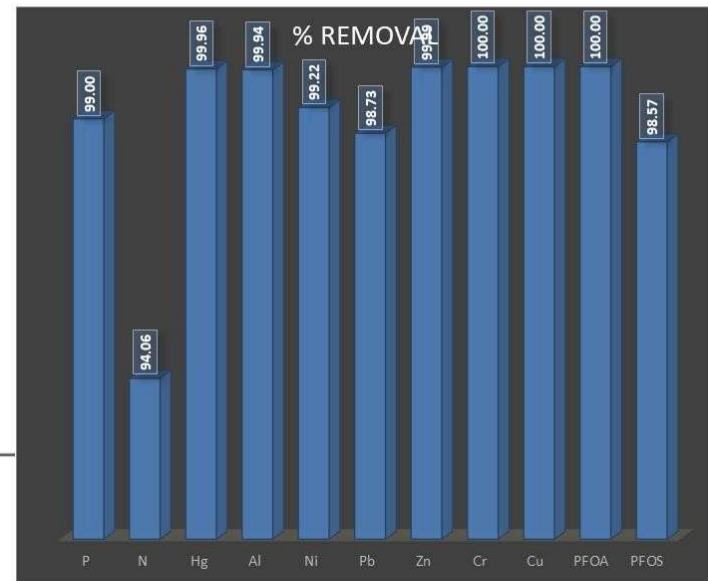
ENGINEERED BIOCHAR





PFOA PFOS RESULTS

1% Activated Ecochar



ECOCHAR TOXICS ADSORPTION EFFICIENCIES Heavy Metals & PFAS

Manure-based biochars have removed 98.6-100% of PFAS, in addition to heavy metals.

