## **HOT WATER DISINFECTION :**

## Transforming hemodialysis water treatment



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### Key requirements of Medical staff from a water treatment system?

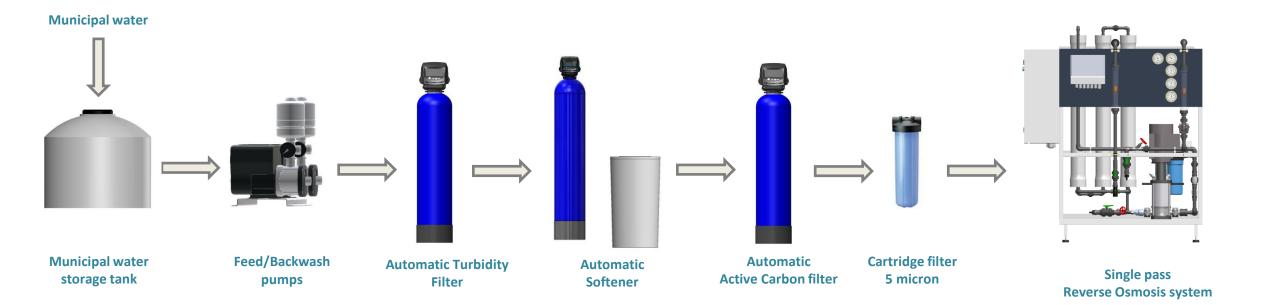
**Physicians :** Uninterrupted treatments to patients with high quality water according to AAMI/EC standards

Nurses : *Ease of Use*, saving more time for patient treatments.

**Technicians :** *Smart Design* for <u>ease of maintenance</u> and <u>disinfection</u>

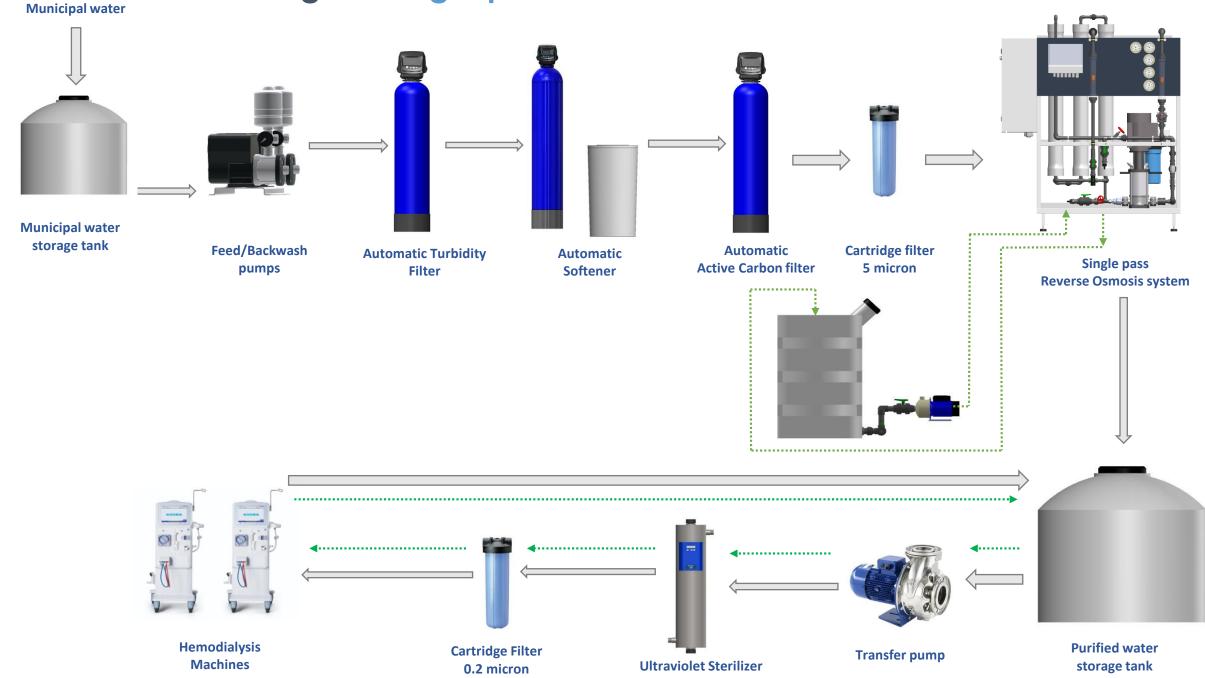


## The basics of a water treatment system





## Design 1: Single pass RO & Purified water Tank



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\* Not ULTRA PURE quality: Single pass rarely ultra pure & close to the limits set by international standards for dialysate water

No Redundancy: Any failure would lead to complete system shutdown

<u>Purified Water tank</u> essential to act as a buffer. Must be sized to cover at least one shift demand



## **Issues** with purified water tank

Source for microorganism growth : Stagnant water leads to microbial growth.

Additional steps of treatment: After the tank, microbial filter + UV necessary (The problem is that they themselves were a source of microorganism growth)

\* Larger plant footprint: The tank volume had to cover at least 1 shift (4 hours) so > 2000L in capacity



## **Disadvantage of Chemical disinfection**

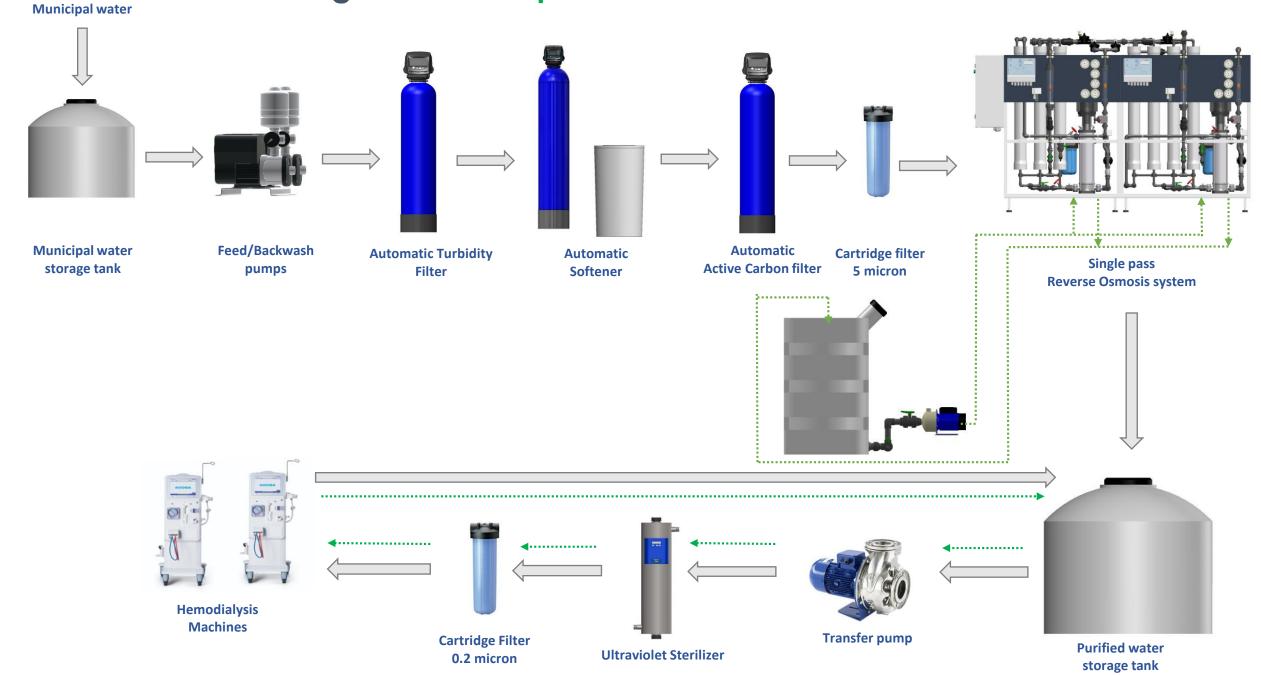
- Residual Chemicals: The presence of residual chemicals <u>can pose health risks to patients</u> undergoing dialysis so <u>several</u> <u>flushing / testing required to ensure it is within safe levels</u>
- □ Manual procedure/ time consuming: not an automated process but rather performed by a biomed technician

**Costly** :

- Requires the regular purchase of chemicals
- Consumes large amounts of water to effectively disinfect and flush out the ring
- Chemical Handling and Storage: The storage and handling of disinfectant chemicals require strict protocols to prevent accidents or spills. Improper storage or handling can result in chemical exposure risks.
- Effectiveness: Not that effective against biofilm and other microorganisms so may require <u>high doses of chemicals</u> and <u>several rounds of treatment</u>.



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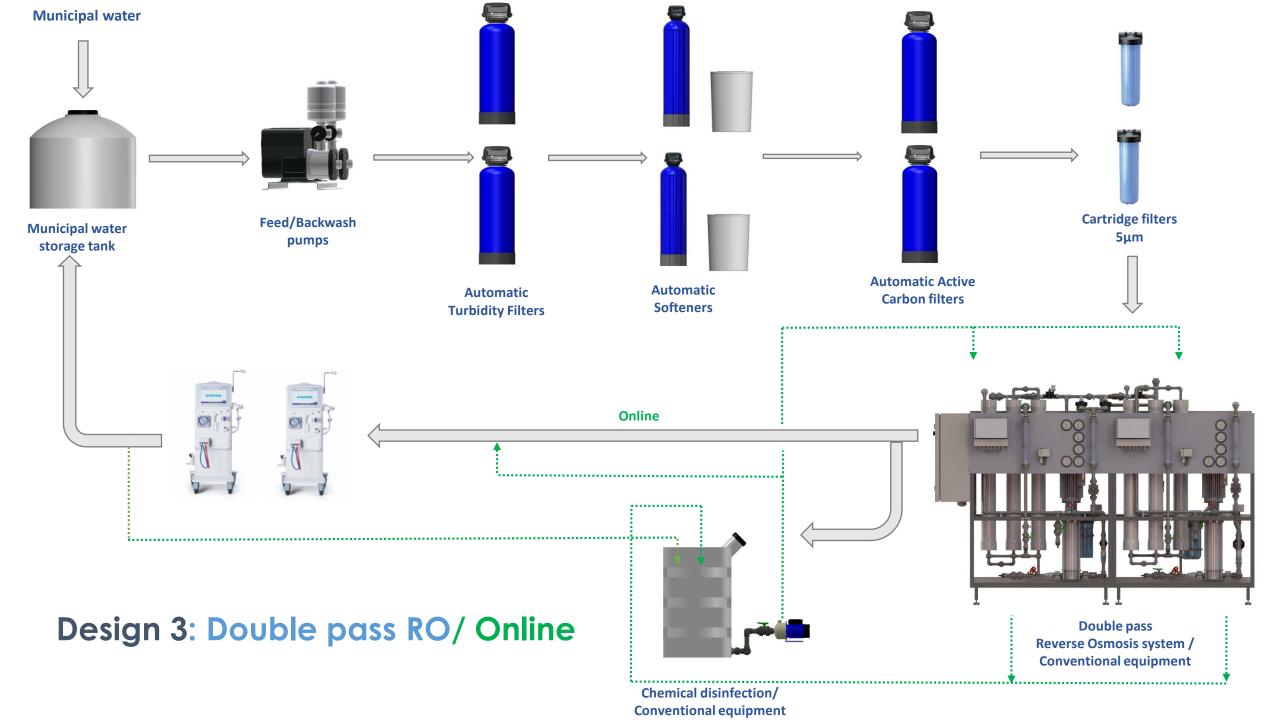
#### Improvements:

✓ When Two (2) RO operating in series output water quality at Ultra pure Water quality

#### Issues:

- Purified Water tank still necessary
  - Manual intervention required: Although one RO can supply the "quality" and quantity required, a purified water tank is still necessary since <u>manual intervention required</u> for the other RO to keep operating.
  - Single pre-treatment: No redundancy so any failure would lead to complete system shutdown
- > Chemical disinfection : Disadvantages mentioned in the previous slides.





### Design 3: Double pass RO/ Online

#### Improvements:

- ✓ **Duplex/Double pre-treatment** : redundancy allows for "online" operation
- ✓ Automatic switchover : In the case of stoppage of one of the two RO, immediately and automatically the other one takes over thus allowing for "online operation"

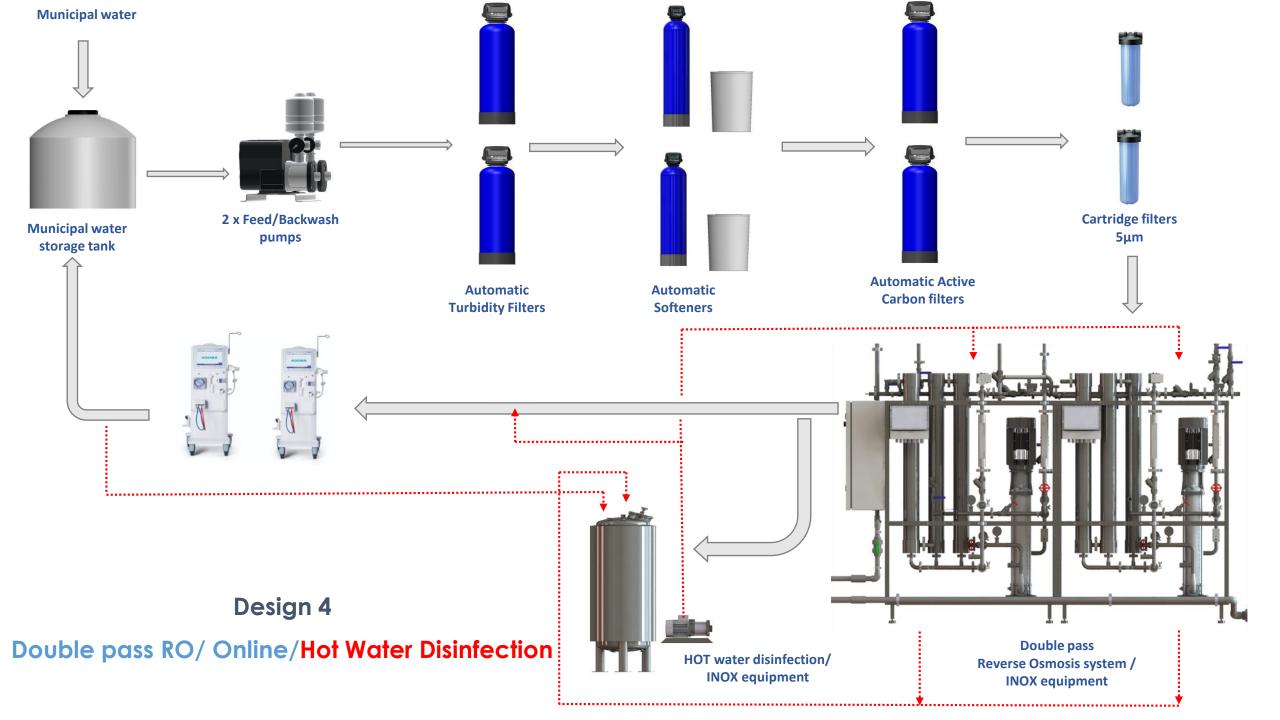
#### Advantage of "online" distribution

- Purified water goes directly to HD machines
- > Eliminates the need for purified water tank : smaller footprint
- > Eliminates the need for downstream steps (1 micron and UV system)

#### Issues:

> Chemical disinfection : Disadvantages mentioned in the previous slides





### Design 4: Double pass RO/Online/Hot Water Disinfection

#### Improvements:

✓ Hot water Disinfection of <u>Distribution Ring & Reverse Osmosis membranes</u>

#### What is HOT water disinfection?

- It is the utilization of heated water instead of chemicals to disinfect the distribution ring, the RO membranes or both together.
- ✤ Via a dedicated PLC (HMI) the disinfection process is entirely automated.
  - 1. Purified water is collected in the hot water tank. Size range between (300L 500L)
  - 2. It is heated up to a temperature of 80 85°C. (Suitable to effectively kill all microorganisms)
  - 3. Once the temperature is reached, a pump circulates the water to the RO membranes/ Distribution ring or both depending on the option chosen.
  - 4. The disinfection process (exposure time) is set as a standard for 1 hour but this can be changed in the settings depending on each situations requirements.
  - 5. At the end of the disinfection process, the water is all collected back in the hot water tank where it cools down after which it is disposed in the drainage system.



### Advantage of Hot water Disinfection technology

- Effective microbial reduction: Highly effective at killing or de-activating microorganisms delivering consistently lower bacterial and endotoxin counts
- > Biofilm removal : Effective at removing and preventing biofilm formation both in the membranes and in the Distribution ring
- Silica Removal : Effective at removing Silica from the membranes
- > Chemical free disinfection: Eliminates the possibility of introduction of chemicals improving patient safety
- > Labor Savings: Automated procedure replacing the otherwise manual procedure with chemicals reducing staff labor hours
- > Improved performance: Automated procedure allows for more regular disinfection (preventive maintenance)
- Eco friendly: Less water consumption as multiple flushing to remove chemical residue not necessary. Also no chemical is disposed into the sewer.
- > Cost -effective: Eliminates purchase and handling of chemicals & Less water consumption







#### **Duplex pre-treatment**

- ✓ If one fails, the other one can continue to treat the water without stoppage of the system
- ✓ If backwashing/regeneration occurs during operation, the other one continues to treat the water without stoppage of the system.
- ✓ Operate in parallel during normal operation to <u>avoid water stagnancy</u>
- The one softener alone is sized such that it can handle one entire day (max. 4 shifts) without interruption of the water supply.

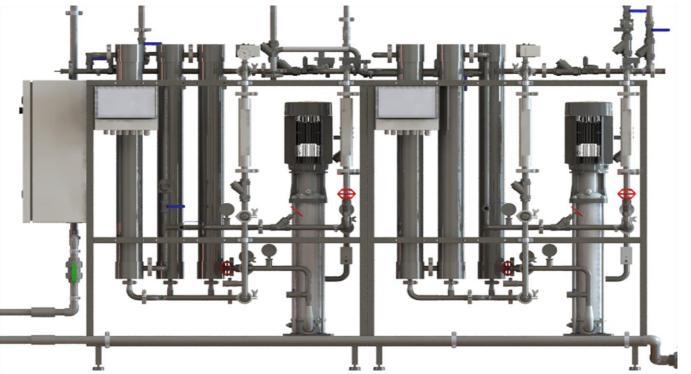






#### **Reverse Osmosis systems**

- ✓ **Double Pass** (in series) for <u>ultra pure water production</u>
- ✓ Automatic by-pass : In the case that one of the two RO trip/fails, the other one automatically takes over
- ✓ Hot water Sanitizable membranes





#### (MOC) 316L with special roughness (Ra < 0.8)

- > Necessary To withstand temperatures of 85°C during hot Sanitization
- > To reduce build up of microorganisms





#### SS316L Hygienic - Tri-Clamp connection

- Dead-end free design: No threaded connections which are a source for buildup of debris, contaminants, and microorganisms.
- > Easier and quicker maintenance: Faster connection / disconnection







#### Hot Sanitization System

- > SS316L Hot Water Tank (300-500L) with **special roughness** against microbial growth.
- > Microbial Air Filter
- > **Double walled** to avoid heat dissipating and protection of users.
- Hot Water Distribution pump (SS316L)
- In the PLC Single button operation for disinfection (Ring/RO / Both)







#### **PLC/AUTOMATION**

- > Fully automatic process
- > Control panels: Easy to use & service
- Automatic periodical flushing" when the system is stopped, after a set time, automatically the system starts to flush the water in the distribution ring and prevent from microbial build







#### **PLC/AUTOMATION**

- > Each of the two RO system in series has its dedicated PLC system
- > The Hot Water System has its dedicated PLC

This allows for <u>FULL redundancy</u> compared to having a central PLC system which in the case of failure, the complete system would shut down.







## Successful Installations

TEMAK has installed over 150 Water treatment for hemodialysis in Greece and Internationally



## Masirah Hospital– Sultanate of Oman



1	Production	800L/h
1	Raw Water	500 ppm
1	Product Water	AAMI/EC standards
l	Hemodialysis beds	11



## Shinas polyclinic– Sultanate of Oman



1	Production	1600L/h
	Raw Water	500 ppm
	Product Water	AAMI/EC standards
	Hemodialysis beds	22



## <u>Amiri Hospital - Kuwait</u>



I	Production	1500L/h	
l	Raw Water	500 ppm	
l	Product Water	AAMI/EC standards	
l	Hemodialysis beds	20	



## Venizeleio Hospital– Athens, Greece



Production	1500L/h
Raw Water	500 ppm
Product Water	AAMI/EC standards
Hemodialysis beds	20



## <u>Aretaieo Hospital – Athens, Greece</u>



Production	900L/h
Raw Water	250 ppm
Product Water	AAMI/EC standards
Hemodialysis beds	13



# Thank you all for your Attention!

# **Any Questions?**

