

Supplementary Material

Optimizing ADM1 calibration and input characterization for effective co-digestion modelling

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Table S1. Kinetic parameters estimated at each iterative step of the calibration process.

Parameter	Unit	Initial	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
k_{dis}	d ⁻¹	0.4	1.2	2	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
$k_{hyd,ch}$	d ⁻¹	0.25	0.75	0.75	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
$k_{hyd,pr}$	d ⁻¹	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5
$k_{hyd,li}$	d ⁻¹	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.45	0.5	0.5	0.5
$k_{m,su}$	d ⁻¹	30	30	38	38	8	8	8
$k_{m,aa}$	d ⁻¹	50	50	8	8	8	8	8
$k_{m,ac}$	d ⁻¹	8	8	6	6	8	8	8
$K_{S,su}$	kg _{COD} ·m ⁻³	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
$K_{S,aa}$	kg _{COD} ·m ⁻³	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
$K_{S,ac}$	kg _{COD} ·m ⁻³	0.15	0.15	0.3	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
$K_{S,pro}$	kg _{COD} ·m ⁻³	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2

Table S2. Model performance criteria (TIC and MARE) evaluated at varying of the iterative step for selected batch activity tests and BMP tests.

Testing substrate (Phase - Date)	Model fitting criteria	1 st Iteration	5 th Iteration	6 th Iteration
Acetate	TIC	0.157	0.102	0.102
(Phase I - 26.11.2020)	MARE	0.080	0.056	0.056
Glucose	TIC	0.093	0.038	0.038
(Phase I - 19.11.2020)	MARE	0.060	0.023	0.023
BSA	TIC	0.194	0.075	0.075
(Phase I - 26.11.2020)	MARE	0.185	0.058	0.058
BMP – Sludge	TIC	0.042	0.015	0.032
(Phase I - 19.11.2020)	MARE	0.039	0.016	0.031
BMP – Sludge	TIC	0.104	0.055	0.094
(Phase II - 25.02.2021)	MARE	0.131	0.080	0.126
BMP – Yogurt	TIC	0.028	0.060	0.034
(Phase I - 30.12.2020)	MARE	0.020	0.040	0.025
BMP – Yogurt	TIC	0.038	0.049	0.038
(Phase II - 25.02.2021)	MARE	0.026	0.036	0.026
BMP – Co-digestion	TIC	0.013	0.047	0.009
(Phase I - 30.12.2020)	MARE	0.012	0.037	0.009
BMP – Co-digestion	TIC	0.014	0.053	0.011
(Phase II - 25.02.2020)	MARE	0.011	0.038	0.011

Table S3. Model performance criteria (TIC and MARE) evaluated at the varying of the iterative step for the seven output variables monitored during the operation of the pilot plant. A distinction is made between the mono-digestion period (Phase I and Phase III) the co-digestion period (Phase II).

Fitting parameter	Pilot plant operation mode	1 st iteration		5 th iteration		6 th iteration		Tentative iteration	
		MARE	TIC	MARE	TIC	MARE	TIC	MARE	TIC
Q _{CH4}	Total	0.162	0.070	0.274	0.112	0.274	0.112	0.274	0.112
Alkalinity	Total	0.100	0.066	0.151	0.107	0.139	0.095	0.089	0.054
	Mono-digestion	0.080	0.049	0.110	0.075	0.110	0.075	0.099	0.064
	Co-digestion	0.145	0.088	0.243	0.147	0.203	0.122	0.065	0.035
TVFA	Total	2.002	0.475	0.443	0.194	0.472	0.199	0.507	0.207
	Mono-digestion	1.342	0.446	0.188	0.162	0.191	0.162	0.190	0.162
	Co-digestion	3.542	0.632	1.038	0.338	1.127	0.356	1.246	0.379
pH	Total	0.018	0.011	0.023	0.014	0.022	0.013	0.017	0.011
	Mono-digestion	0.019	0.011	0.024	0.014	0.024	0.013	0.019	0.011
	Co-digestion	0.015	0.012	0.021	0.014	0.018	0.013	0.011	0.009
NH ₄ ⁺	Total	0.150	0.080	0.118	0.070	0.099	0.055	0.099	0.055
	Mono-digestion	0.198	0.103	0.107	0.060	0.107	0.059	0.107	0.059
	Co-digestion	0.043	0.026	0.143	0.083	0.082	0.050	0.082	0.050
VS	Total	0.339	0.220	0.233	0.151	0.238	0.156	0.238	0.156
	Mono-digestion	0.353	0.230	0.255	0.167	0.256	0.167	0.256	0.167
	Co-digestion	0.307	0.196	0.181	0.111	0.196	0.127	0.196	0.127
COD	Total	0.198	0.097	0.147	0.067	0.156	0.070	0.156	0.070
	Mono-digestion	0.213	0.099	0.200	0.084	0.200	0.084	0.200	0.084
	Co-digestion	0.169	0.095	0.041	0.024	0.069	0.041	0.069	0.041