

A yellow industrial robotic arm is positioned at the top of the frame, with a large blue semi-transparent banner overlaid on its lower portion. Below the banner, a grey cylindrical container is visible, and in the foreground, a grid of numerous small, circular, white-filled containers is arranged on a dark surface.

IMMOBILIZATION OF LIQUID ORGANIC WASTE USING NEW MATRICES - WMO APPROACH

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Surface repository Waste Acceptance Criteria

- Free Organic Liquids and oil are not accepted
- No release from the conditioned/encapsulated waste
 - Based on biohazards and environmental impact

Current waste management routes

- Incineration is the common waste management solution
- Depending on the physico-chemical and radiological properties, incineration is not allowed

Alternative to handle this kind of waste

- One concerns the development by waste producers of « new (organic or mineral) matrices » such as geopolymers or polymer materials
 - Knowledge about the properties and behaviour of these materials is less mature
 - Short term behaviour not directly transposable to the long term

R&D needs:

- Understanding of long-term behaviour (physical and chemical behaviour)
 - Prediction over the time

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Perspectives

- In the framework of Eurad II: two WP related to the conditioning and behaviour of new matrices
 - WP6 STREAM– Sustainable treatment and immobilisation of challenging waste
 - Andra participation as End-Users
 - WP7 L'OPERA Long-term performance of waste matrices
 - Andra participation as partner
 - Studies in collaboration with ORANO and PIMM laboratory about Nochar/oil durability and long-term prediction