

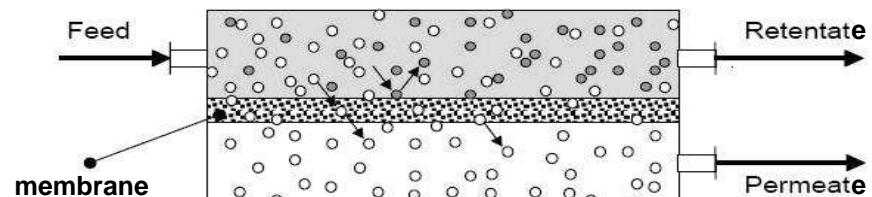


## Sulfatabreicherung mittels Nanofiltration

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# NANOFILTRATION

- high retention of multivalent ions by nanofiltration
- typical pressure range 3 – 30 bar
- regular cross-flow-filtration:  
discharge of salt-rich retentate  
→ not possible
- typical mine water quality implies problems by scaling

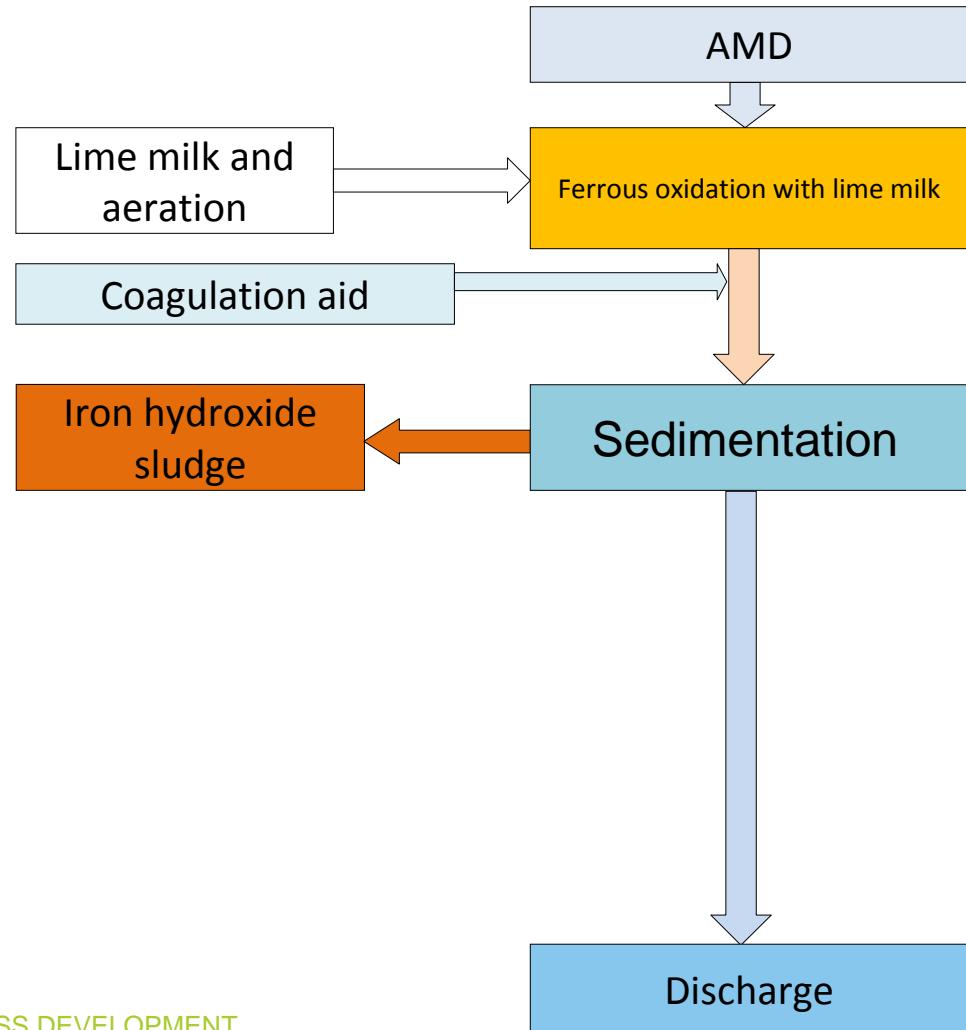


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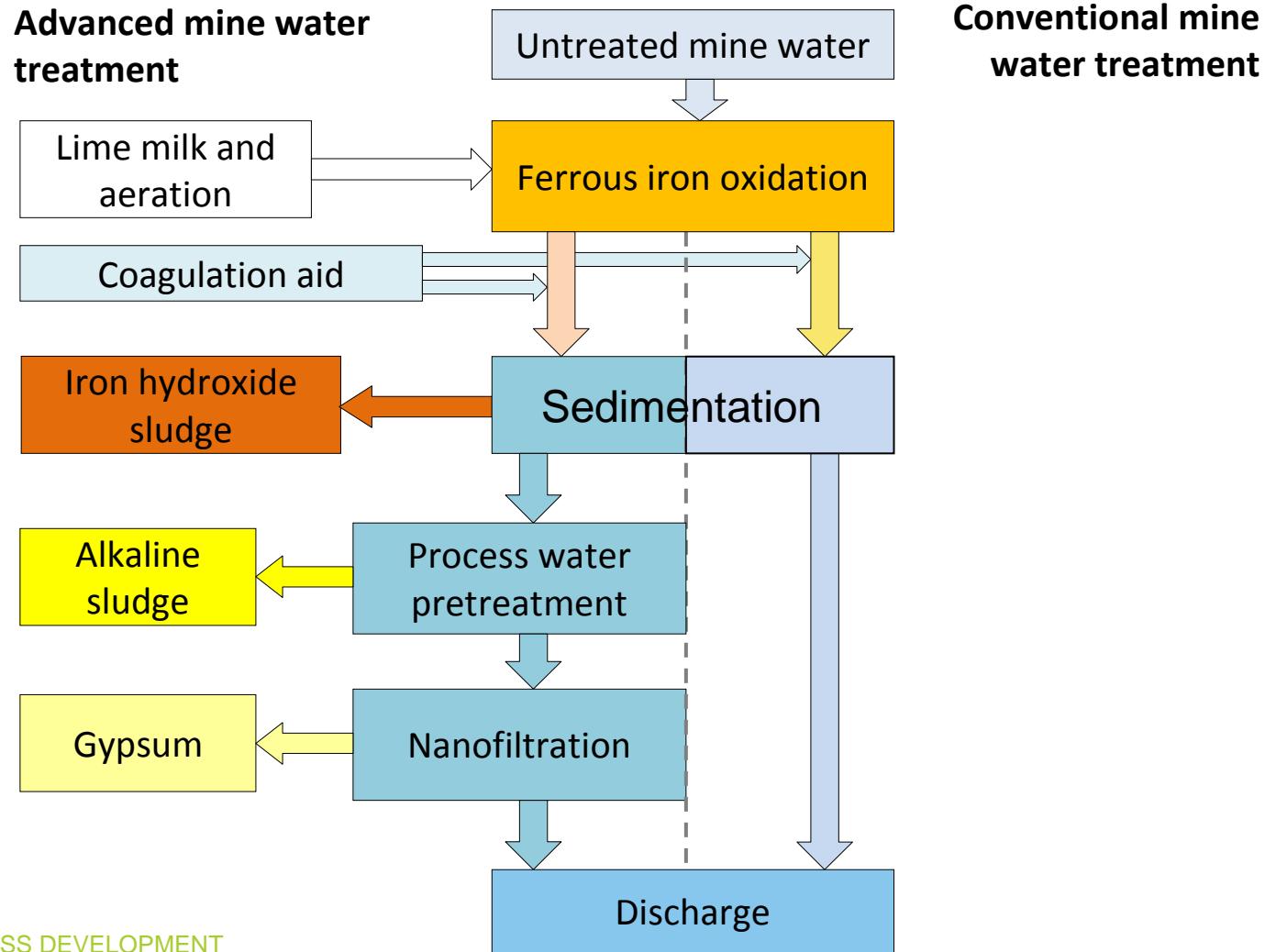
Parameter	Sample value	Parameter	Sample value
pH	7.67	Sodium, mg/l	15.2
Electrical conductivity, $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$	2,760	Potassium, mg/l	8.9
Temperature, $^{\circ}\text{C}$	21	Magnesium, mg/l	97
Alkalinity, mmol/l	2.57	Calcium, mg/l	605
Silicate, mg/l	6.3	Iron, mg/l	0.3
Chloride, mg/l	10.4	Manganese, mg/l	1.4
Sulphate, mg/l	1,850	TOC, mg/l	6.8

## TREATMENT STEPS

### Conventional mine water treatment

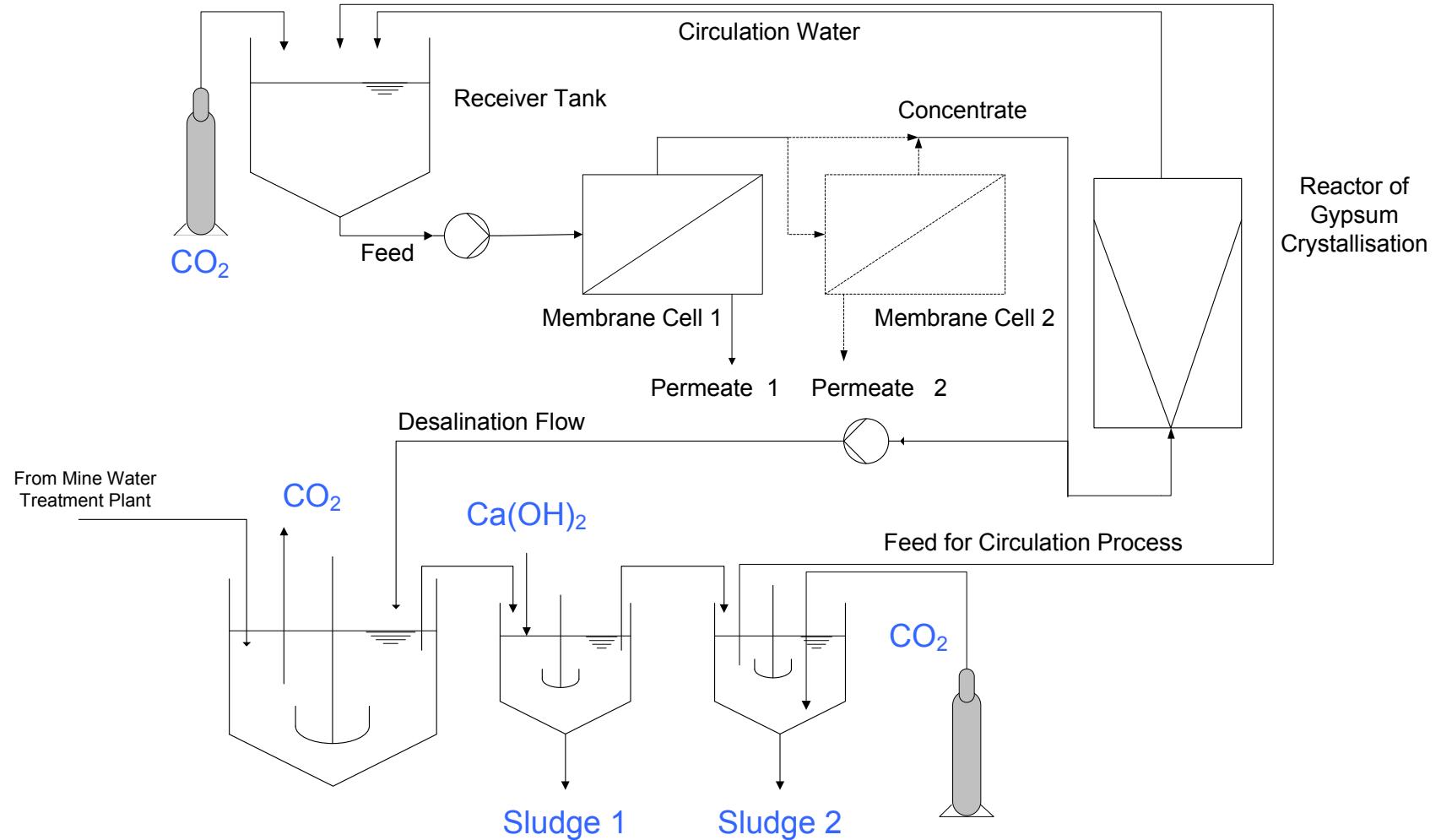


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Tests in pilot scale



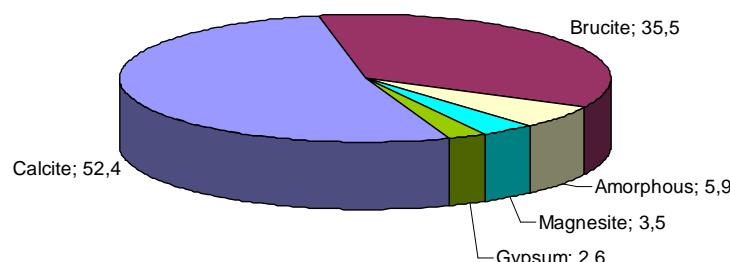
## RESULTS

### Clear Water and Residual Materials

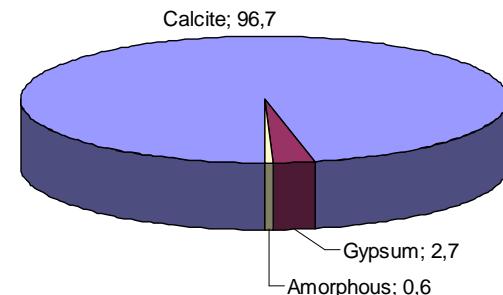
Parameter	Sample value	Parameter	Sample value
pH	6.80	Sodium, mg/l	29.5
Electrical conductivity, µS/cm	350	Potassium, mg/l	12.0
Temperature, °C	23.5	Magnesium, mg/l	13.0
Alkalinity, mmol/l	1.5	Calcium, mg/l	95.0
Silicate, mg/l	6.2	Iron, mg/l	<0.1
Chloride, mg/l	26.0	Manganese, mg/l	<0.05
Sulphate, mg/l	65	TOC, mg/l	6.1

- additional treatment of a side stream is sufficient
- process recovery is limited by water content of sludge

Sludge 1

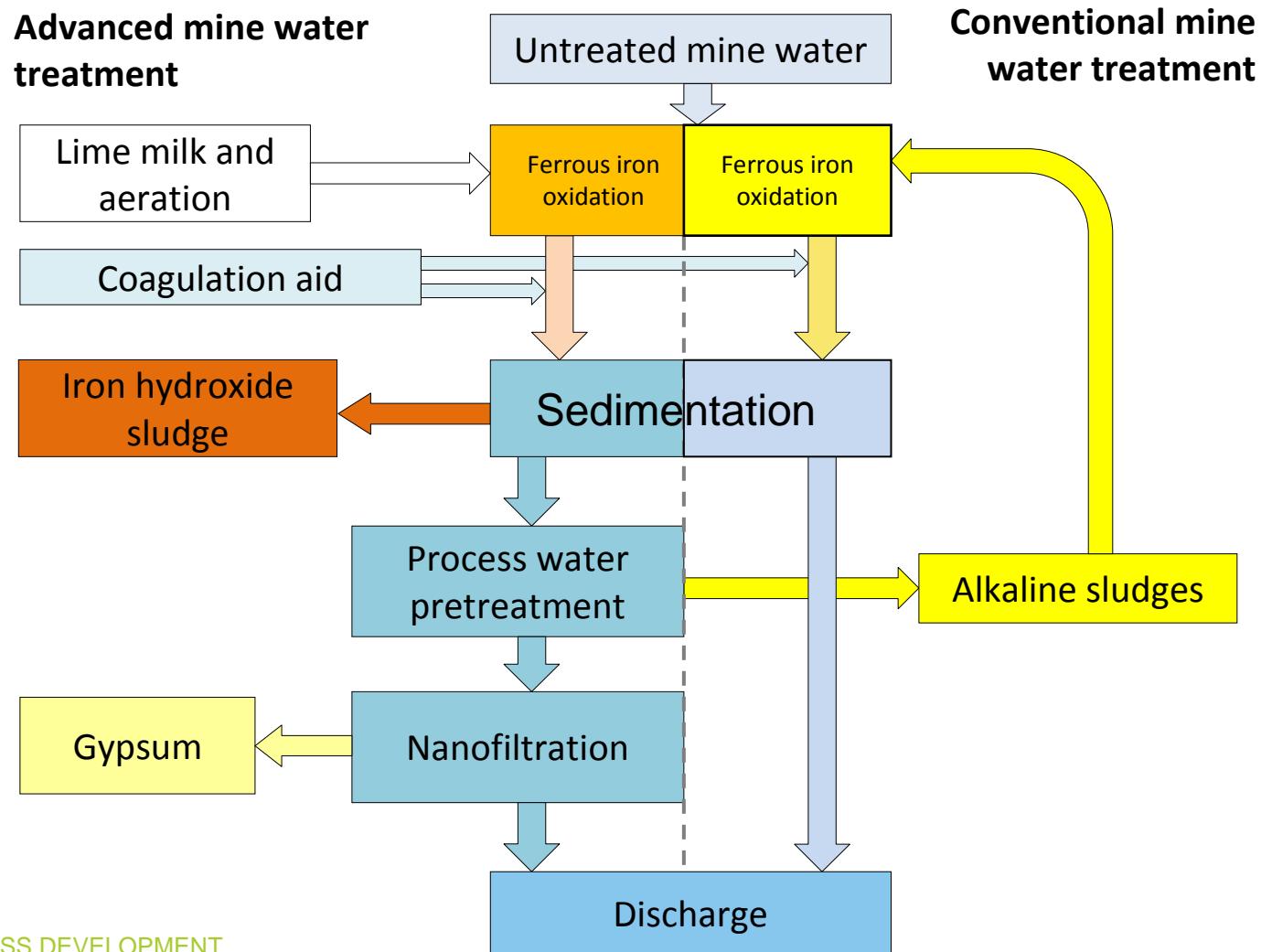


Sludge 2



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## Overall Process



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Rate of Nanofiltration	0 %	33 %	45 %	66 %	88 %	100 %
Description	no Nanofilt	1 lane Nanofilt.	optimal ratio	2 lanes Nanofil.	Drinking water limit	3 lanes Nanofilt.
Discharge: Sulphate [mg/l]	1800	1200	1000	650	250	< 50
Lime hydrate - Increasing Consumption	0 %	1,5 %	3 %	50 %	100 %	130 %
Alkaline excess sludge [t DW /d]	0	0	0	130	255	330

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Gypsum [t DW /d]	0	65	90	140	185	215
Alkaline sludge [t DW /d]	0	110	150	220	290	330



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