

HydroPurify Interact

In the future, sewage purification requires the interaction between machines and the human body, with the kidneys as the main filtering link, and new rules will emerge in the future society.

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BACKGROUND

As one of the three major ecosystems in the world, wetland refers to natural or artificial, perennial or seasonal water areas and water with significant ecological functions, including sea areas with a depth of more than six metres at low tide. Wetlands are natural or artificial, perennial or seasonal water areas and water with significant ecological functions, including sea areas with a depth of up to six metres at low tide.

Globally, 6% of the world's wetlands provide habitat for 40% of the world's wildlife. Wetlands provide a home for 40% of all wildlife, and more than 1 billion people around the world depend on them for their livelihoods. Wetlands are known as the **"kidneys of the earth"** and have important ecological functions such as water conservation, water purification, maintenance of biodiversity, flood and drought control, climate regulation and carbon sequestration. In addition, they also play a important role in environmental, economical and social service functions.

The current situation of the conservation of wetlands globally is bleak. Wetlands are disappearing three times faster than forests, and **nearly 90% of the world's wetlands, including rivers, lakes, marshes and peatlands, have been lost.**

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PESTLE ANALYSIS

Politics

World Wetlands Day in 2023 had the theme of 'Wetland Restoration', in order to raise the awareness and importance of wetlands.

Economic

The proportion between ecological wetlands and arable land is not reasonable, which weakened wetlands functions and disrupted the goal of maximizing ecosystem value.

Social

The knowledge popularity and awareness of wetland protection needs to be raised, as well as coordination among departments needs to be enhanced.

Techlogical

Technology for wetland rehabilitation, including estuarine man-made constructed wetland restoration technology, in-situ as well as ex-situ artificial wetland restoration technology for river channels.

Environmental

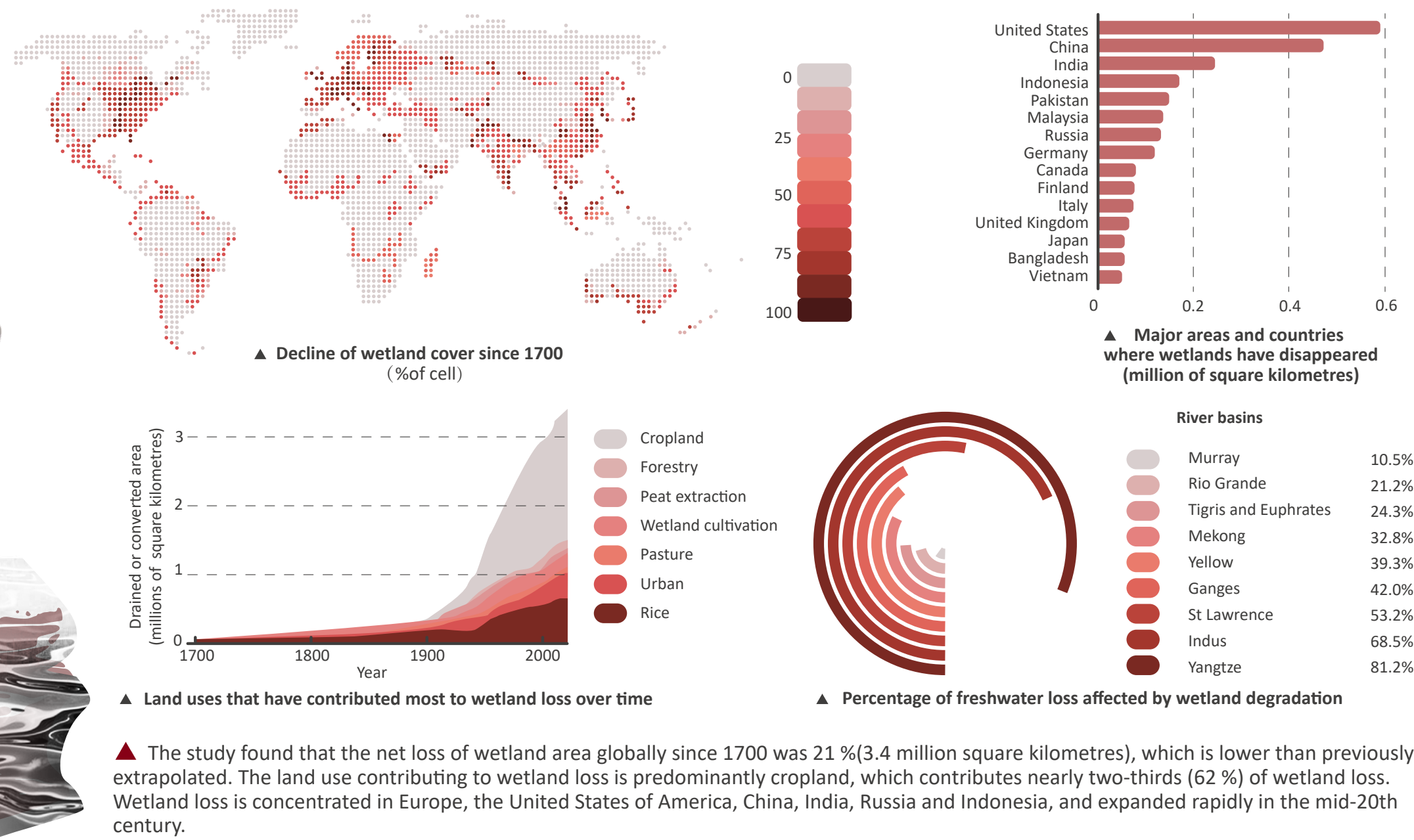
Water conservation & purification, flood & soil erosion control, groundwater recharge, landscaping, climate regulation, carbon cycle maintenance and coastal protection.

Legal

Wetland Protection Law, made in 2021 has provided stable and powerful guarantee for wetland protection and restoration.

RESEARCH

The following is a comprehensive assessment of the trajectory of wetland area loss and the major driving factors of its land use.(1700-2023)



FUTURE TRIANGLE

WEIGHT OF HISTORY

Destroying water purification resources for short-lived gains.
Ecological pollution
Wetland decline

PULL OF FUTURE

Future needs clean drinking and domestic water
The technology and equipment for water purification is in the hands of a few wealthy people.
Ordinary people pay a price for access to clean water.

PUSH OF PRESENT

Huge water consumption contradicts scarce water resources.
Limited water purification equipment, technology resources and the number of population contradiction.

SIGNAL

All wetlands will disappear and the imbalance in the regulation of water resources will turn fresh water into "poisoned water". A "water" currency will be created and access to freshwater resources will become a survival task.

TREND

Rich mastery of purification technologies and devices
Government provides policy and financial support
Ordinary people do what they need to do to survive.

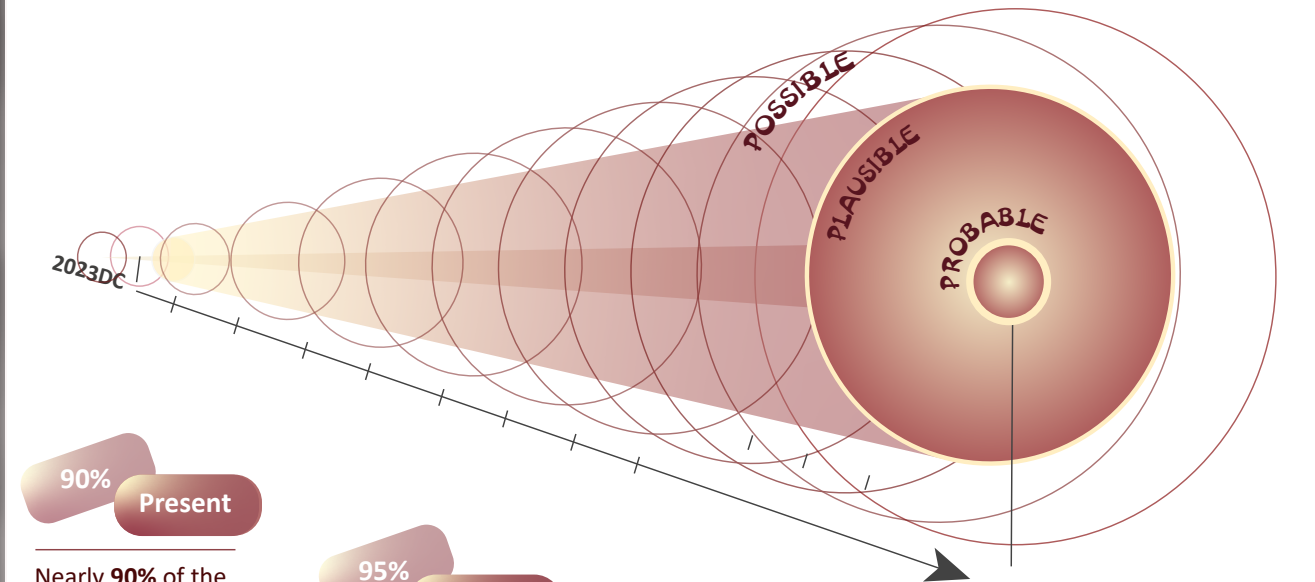
PROBLEMS

Studies have found that important substances for water purification can only be synthesized by the human body.
Human kidneys and machines combine to form a water purification device.

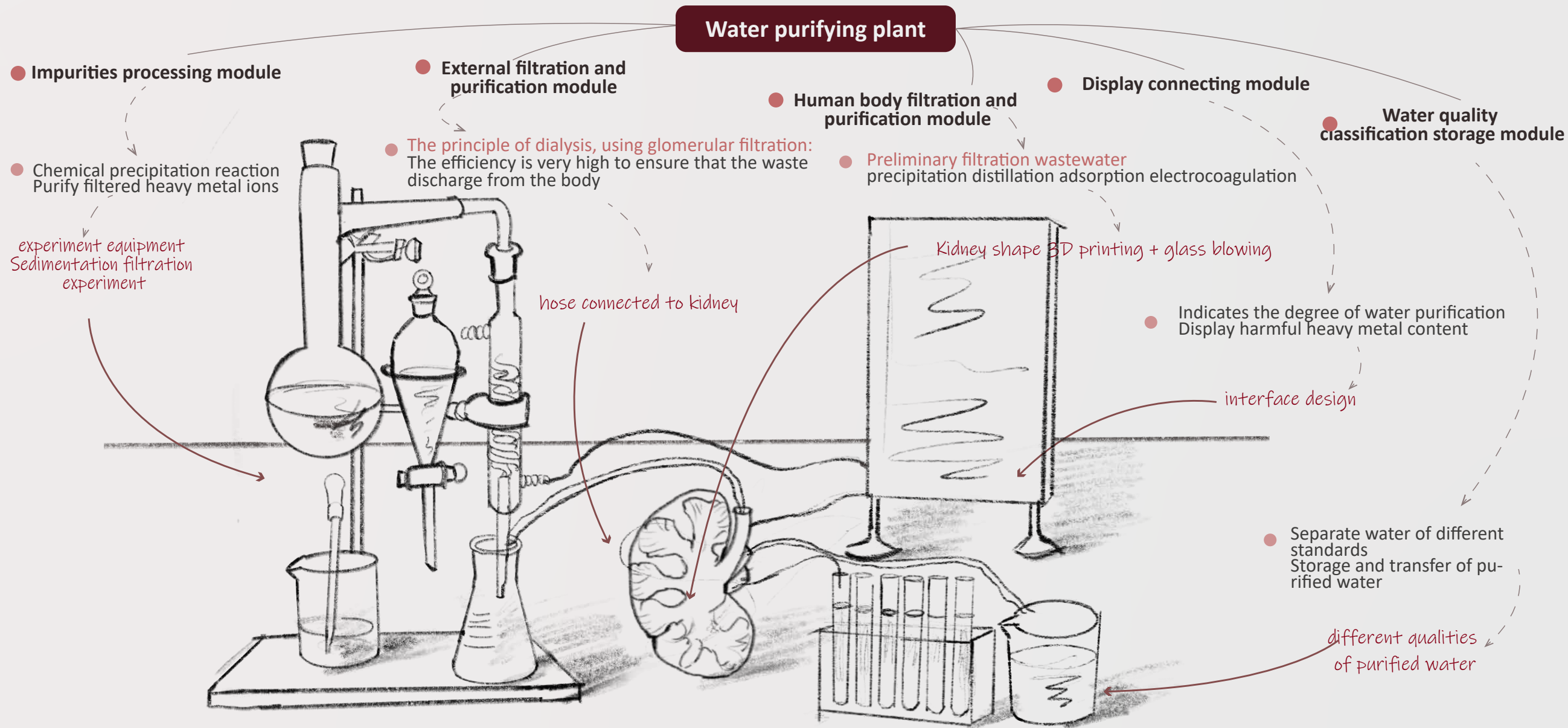
FUTURE WHEEL



FUTURE CONE



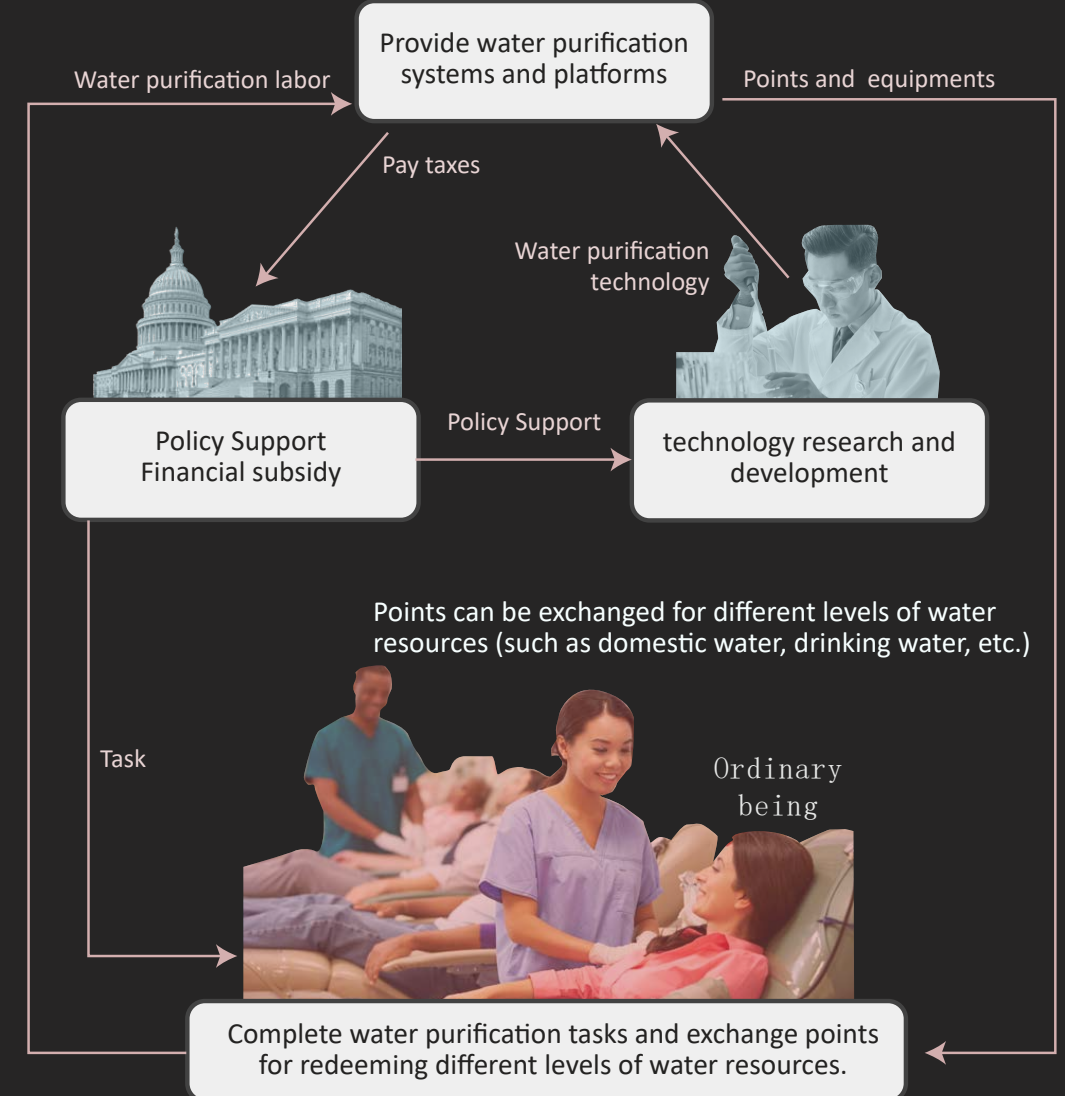
CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT & SKETCH



Product value point: 1.Treat heavy metals to protect other creatures.2.Reduce kidney pressure.3.Convenient classification management. 4.Use water more efficiently.5.Monitor the degree of purification in real time.

SYSTEM STRUCTURE

In the future, under conditions of scarcity of water resources, people will be forced to extract and purify polluted water due to survival pressure, resulting in a new water purification model.



TESTING

Experiment



Purpose of the experiment: To explore the principle and method of existing technology to purify sewage, and the degree of purification. Choose the appropriate method as the external purification part of the device.

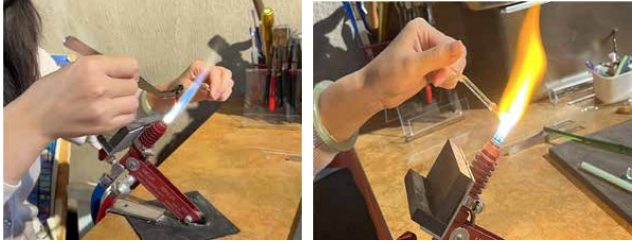
Experimental conclusion: At present, the experimental process of water purification is very complicated, and it is difficult to carry out water intake in a large area.

3D printing



The main body of the kidney is mainly made of 3D printing, and the blood vessels and other details are made of fired glass, which is connected to other filtration experimental equipment.

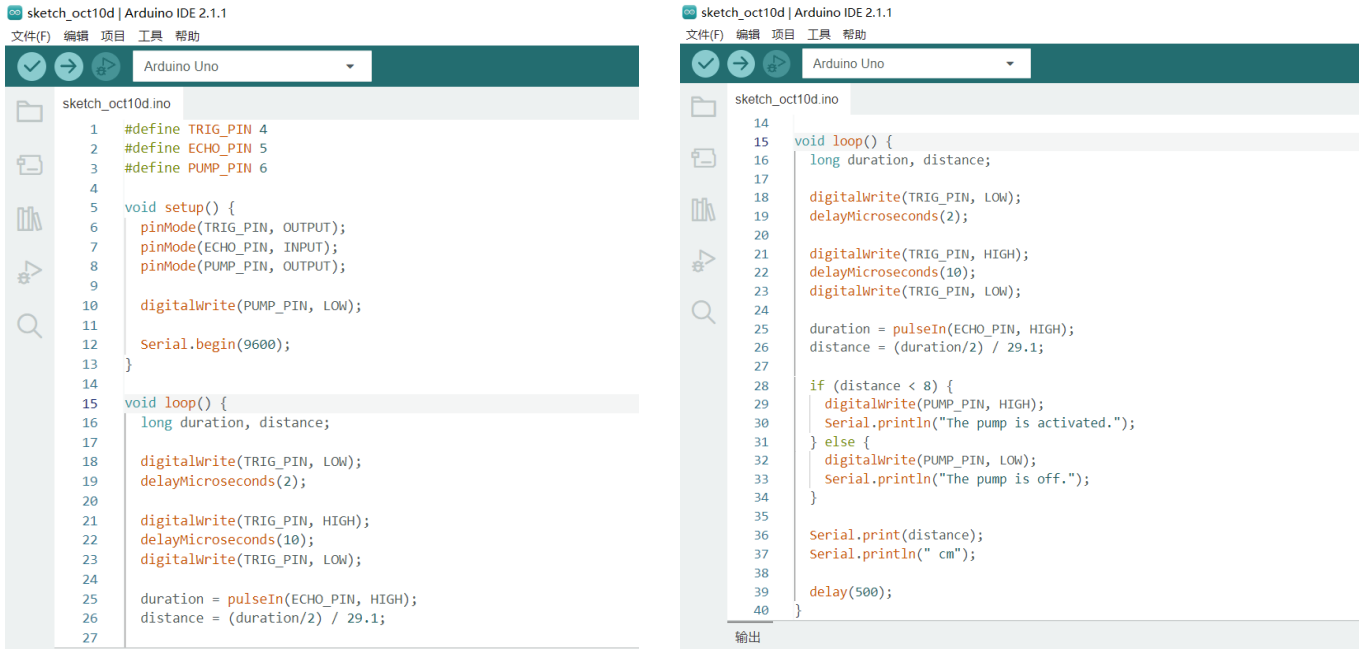
Burnt glass



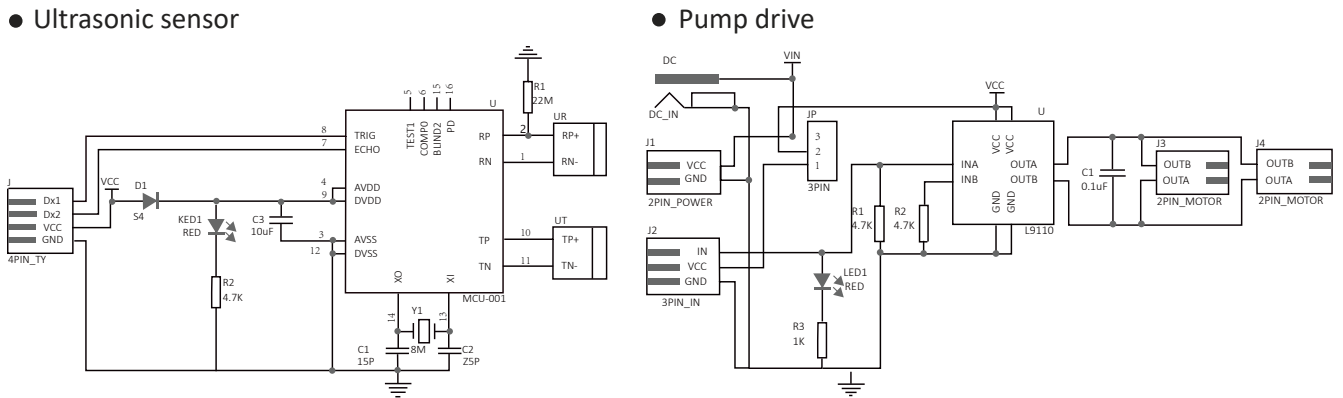
PROCESSING

This Arduino code uses the HC-SR04 Ultrasonic Range Sensor to detect if there is an object within 8 cm and, if so, turns on the water pump connected to pin number 6.

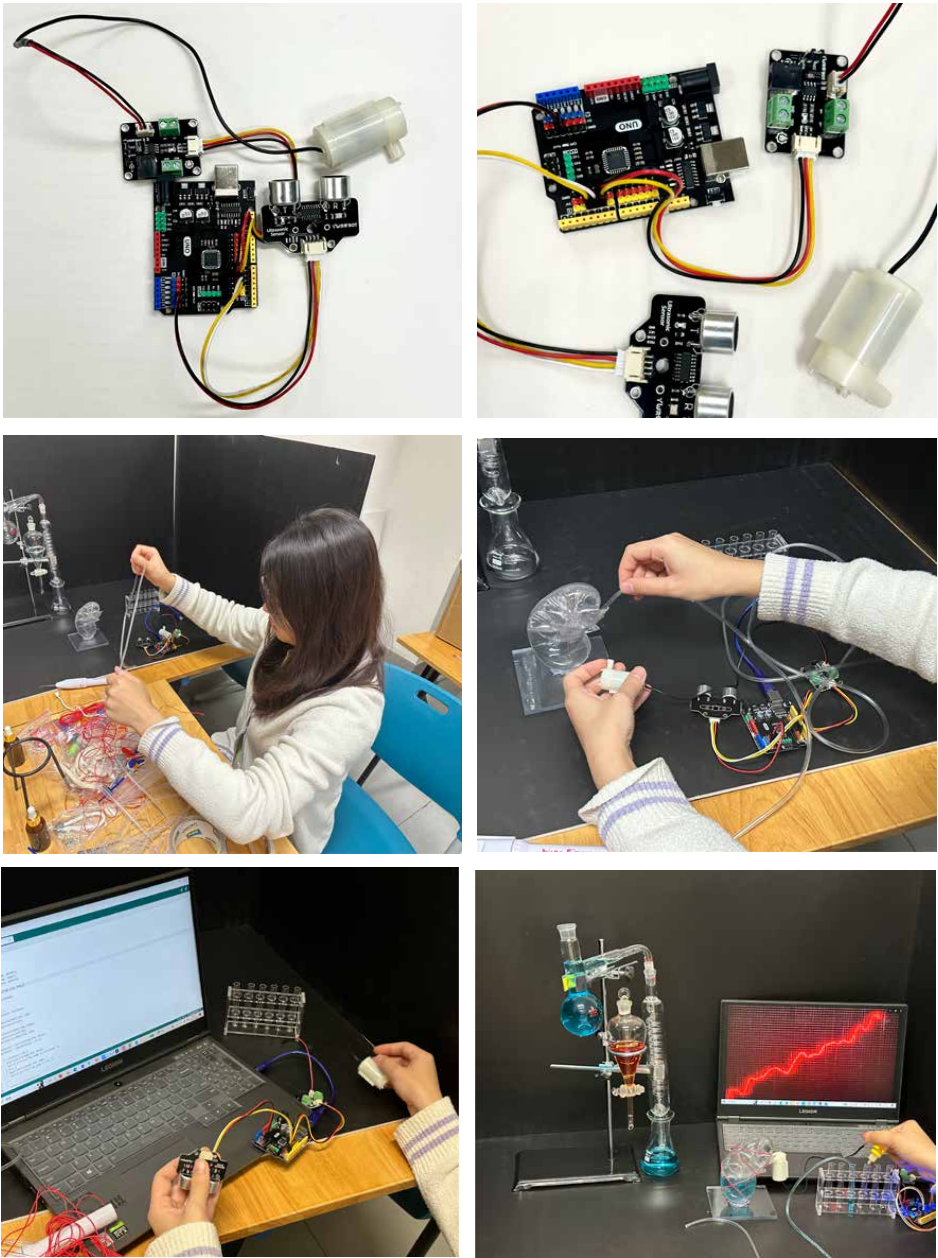
Coding and hardware test



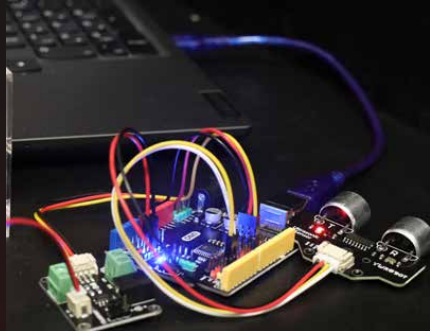
Circuit diagram



Prototype details



Story Board



The distance sensor senses the past of the person and the device starts to operate



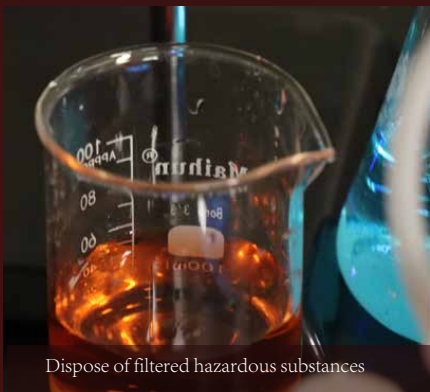
The display shows information such as the condition of the person's kidneys and the time of filtration



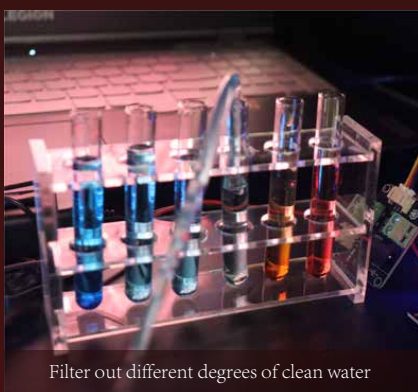
External filtration system for preliminary purification



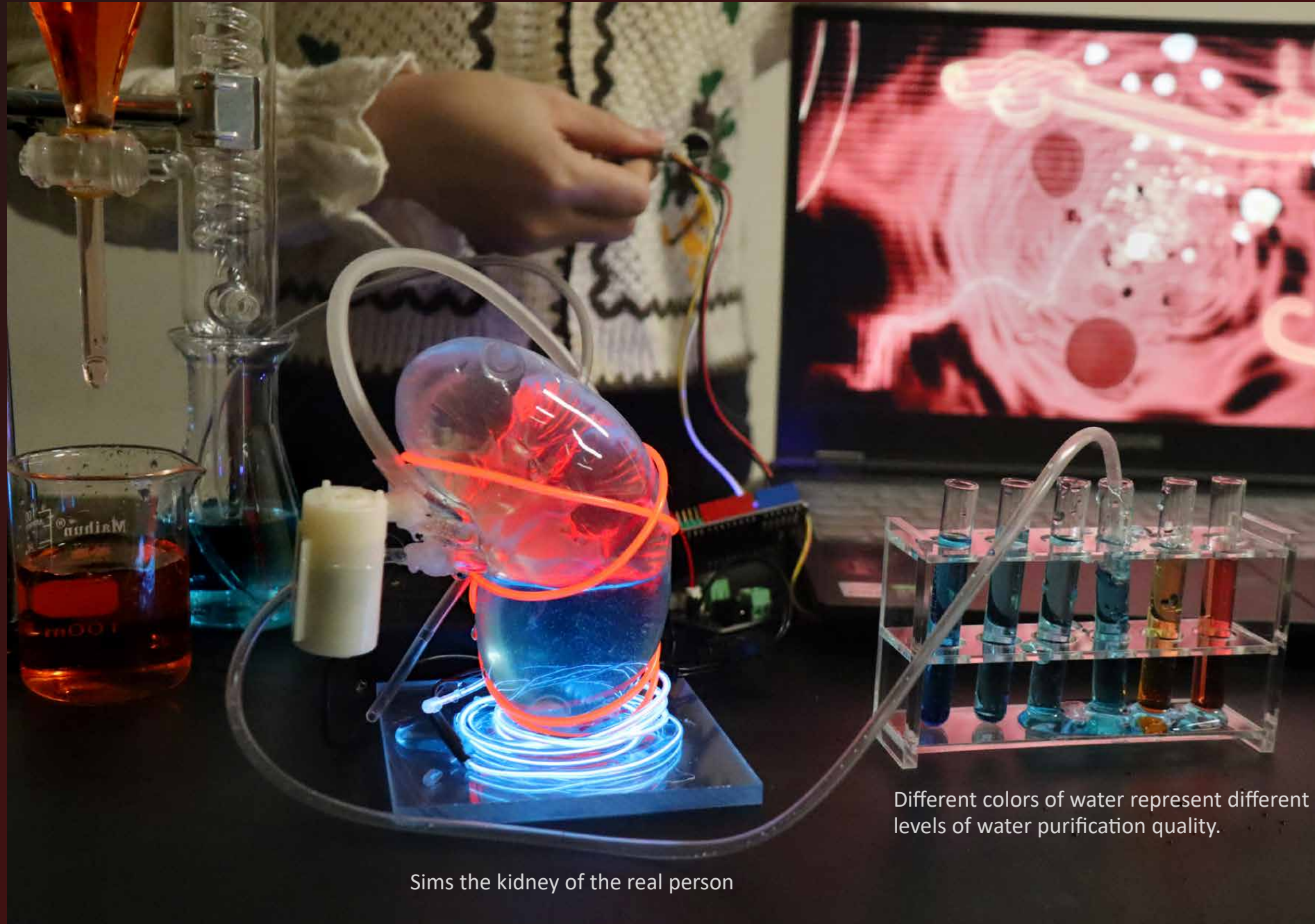
The glomeruli in the kidneys begin to purify.



Dispose of filtered hazardous substances



Filter out different degrees of clean water



Sims the kidney of the real person

Different colors of water represent different levels of water purification quality.

Detail



The left side of the device represents the water purification part of the machine. When the human body is close to the distance sensor, it means that the switch is turned on, and the kidneys participated in the purification process, the water pump on the right starts to operate, completing the entire water purification process.