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ALG-AD Creating value from waste nutrients by integrating algal and anaerobic digestion technology

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WHAT IS THE ALG-AD PROJECT

- ✓ Interreg NWE funded project €6.2 million
- ✓ Interreg theme Resource and Materials Efficiency
- ✓ 11 partners across 4 countries UK, FR, BE, DE
- ALG-AD growing algae using nutrients in excess digestate, to be used as an animal feed ingredient
- Objectives Build three pilot facilities
- Convert digestate to algal biomass
- Develop into animal feed products
- Generate Decision Support Toolset



REGULATORY REVIEW - HIGHLIGHTS

- > No specific framework for microalgae grown on digestate
- > Despite treatment, safety analysis, transformation, cannot use
 - biomass from AD using ABPs
- for animal feed (e.g. Cat 2: manure...)
- Digestate from plant based inputs, or Cat 3 ABPs (excluding catering waste) <u>CAN</u> be used
- Alternative markets derogations required e.g. feed for non-food producing animals: Pet food, zoo animals.
- >Biostimulants most promising market. No authorisations required

