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FOOD PRODUCTION WITHIN A CONTAINER BY RECYCLING URINE AND ORGANIC WASTE

Abstract

For long duration space missions fresh food and re-use of materials is mandatory. Also on Earth there are harsh or closed environments where fresh supply of food is not possible. Thus a highly efficient mobile and modular system for food production would be of great value. As test bed for further development of such a system a hydroponic plant area combined with a system for biological treatment of urine and organic waste, including water, air, light and power handling, were laid out in the framework of a Concurrent Engineering design study to be integrated into a high cube standard container. In this paper the study's outcome i.e. configuration and input and output ratios are described.