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# **Supplementary information**

## For

Supplementary material for stability of aerobic granular sludge

### under low energy consumption: Optimization of granular size

#### distribution by a novel internal component

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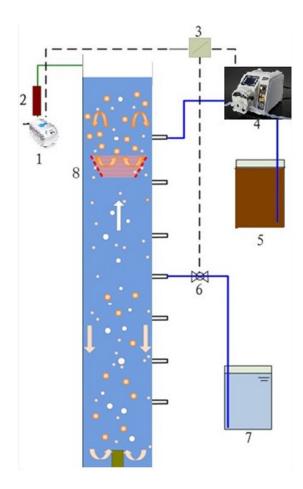


Fig. S1 Schematic of novel bioreactor with built-in screens of different pore sizes (R1 is control reactor, R2, R3, R4 with pore sizes of 1.5, 2.5, 3.5 mm)

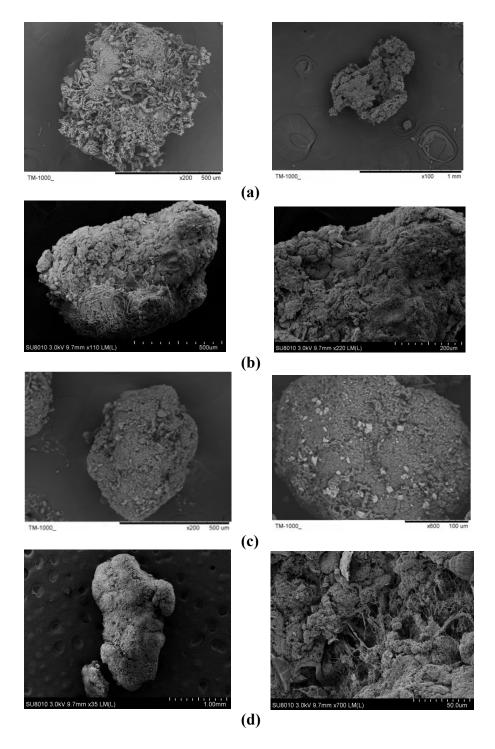


Fig. S2 SEM images of aerobic granules in four reactors at 35d: a. R1; b. R2; c. R3; d. R4

## Table. S1 Variation of microbial aroma index of sludge in different

#### reactors

Time (d)	R1	R2	R3	R4
0	4.26	4.26	4.26	4.26
20	5.13	5.09	5.31	5.48
40	5.64	6.23	6.44	4.91
60	5.37	6.73	6.91	3.66