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# Morphological analysis of municipal solid waste: Review

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#### **ABSTRACT**

This article represents an overview of existing methods for determining the amount of formation and morphological composition of municipal solid waste. It also represents their history and evolution. The method for determining the amount of formation and morphological composition of municipal solid waste is an important task for efficient management of solid waste (MSW). This problem is existing for decades. But today it is absolutely relevant for the countries of Eastern Europe, that includes Ukraine. There were listed and given a brief description of each method. In the article, the tendency towards taking into account social and economic characteristics of households in the production of MSW were detected. Also, it is given the list of main problems that cause the low accuracy of the data obtained, while applying the methods of research the formation number and morphological composition of MSW.

Key words: Management of solid waste, Morphological composition, Methods

#### Introduction

### **Actuality of Research**

A case study and a literature review have been carried out to address the main problem of Waste Management System of Ukraine: How waste flow data from systems bematched. Analysis of this data one of the important question on the way of development of the New National Waste Management Strategy of Ukraine till 2030. Therefore, it is advisable to analyze all existent methods in order to apply them to Waste Management System of Ukraine.

According to the European Commission, effective management of the MSW system is one of 12 Sustainable Development Strategies (European Commission, 2015). Therefore overcoming the problem issues in the management of the MSW system is an important task on the way to European integration. Today, this is the main task of our country's

political life. According to the legislate of the European Union (EU) (Directive, 2008), one of the tools for developing the MSW system is the characterization of the morphological composition of MSW. The absence of statistical volume and composition data of MSW is one of the main problems that were faced by the government when it was developing a new regulatory legislation in the field of MSW. According to the opinion of Slovak expert, Yuraya Farkasha (representative of the EU project APENA), who is the main consultant for the drafting of the Legislation Bill and the National Waste Management Plan, the primary objective of the solution of the efficient management MSW problem is to monitor the quantity and morphology of MSW. The trend of the last decade shows that while there were developing of the sanitary cleaning scheme in Ukrainian cities, the amount and composition of MSW were determined either by normative, either were not in accordance with the instructions. In the

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In our review, we came up with the main issues that arise while using the methods of studying the morphological MSW composition, namely when we are sampling. Among the main ones are: spontaneous selection, a low culture of MSW treatment, as well as the absence of a single national method and others. The number of identified uncertainties underlines the importance of improving and standardizing methods for measuring the morphological MSW composition. Reliable waste statistics are the key to assessing the performance of the MSW.

The obtained analysis of the methods allowed to obtain the basis for the development of clear and realistic forecasts in modern systems of Waste Management System, which are based on the morphological composition of solid waste.

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