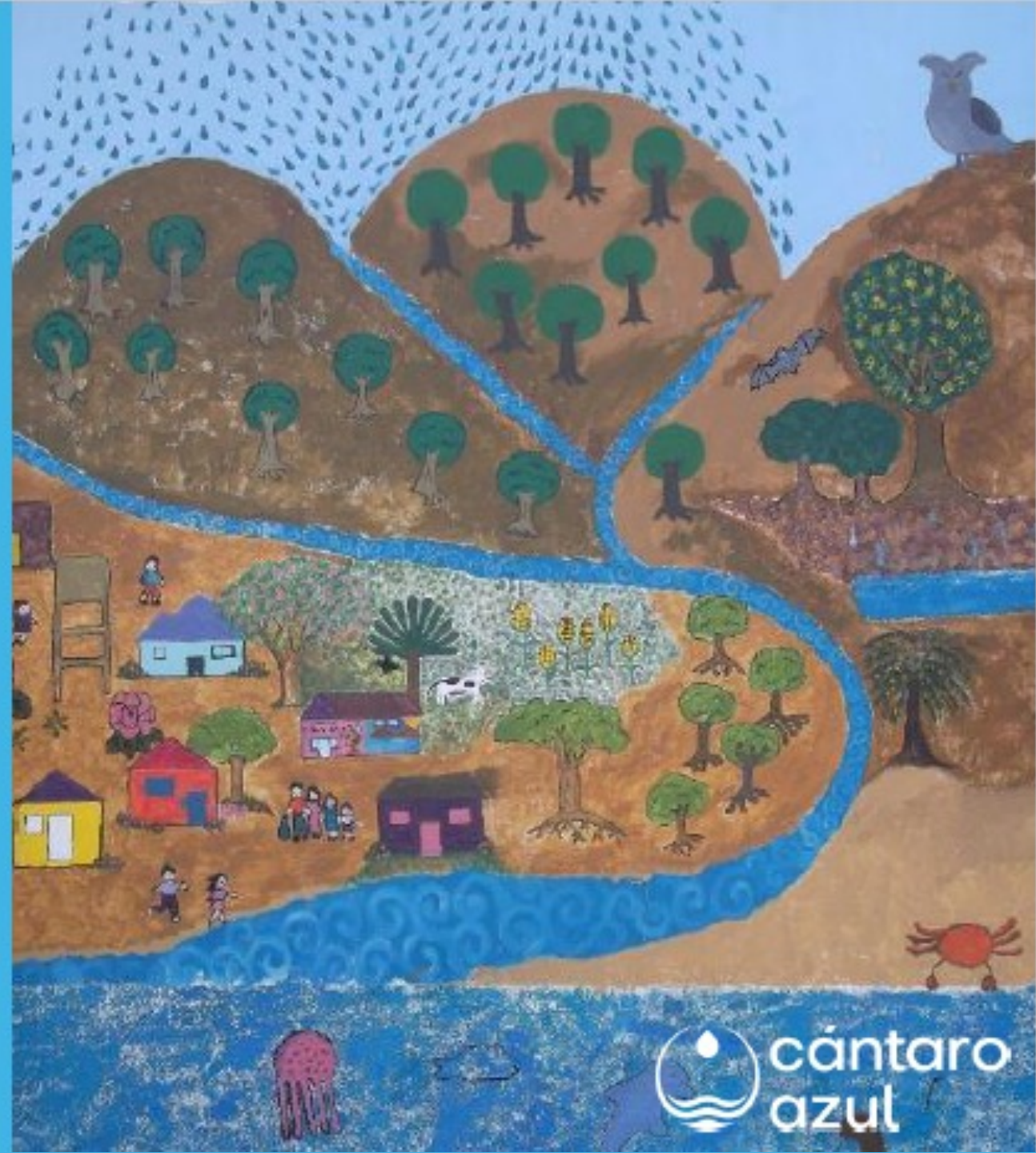


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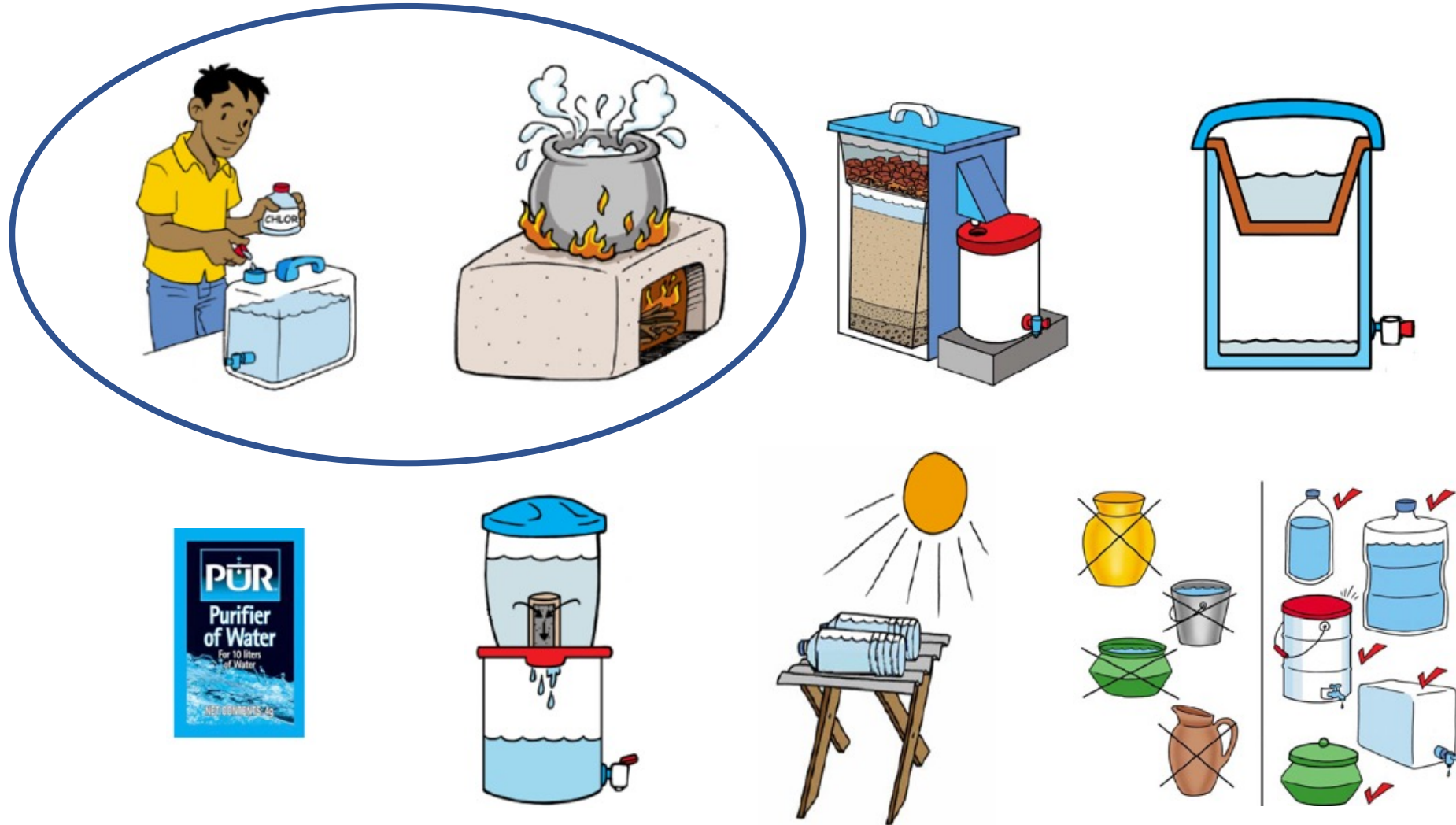


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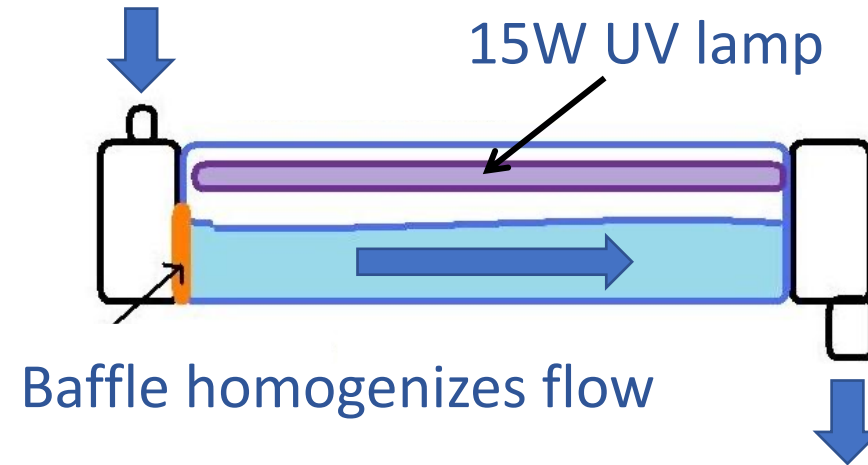
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Household Water Treatment (HWT)

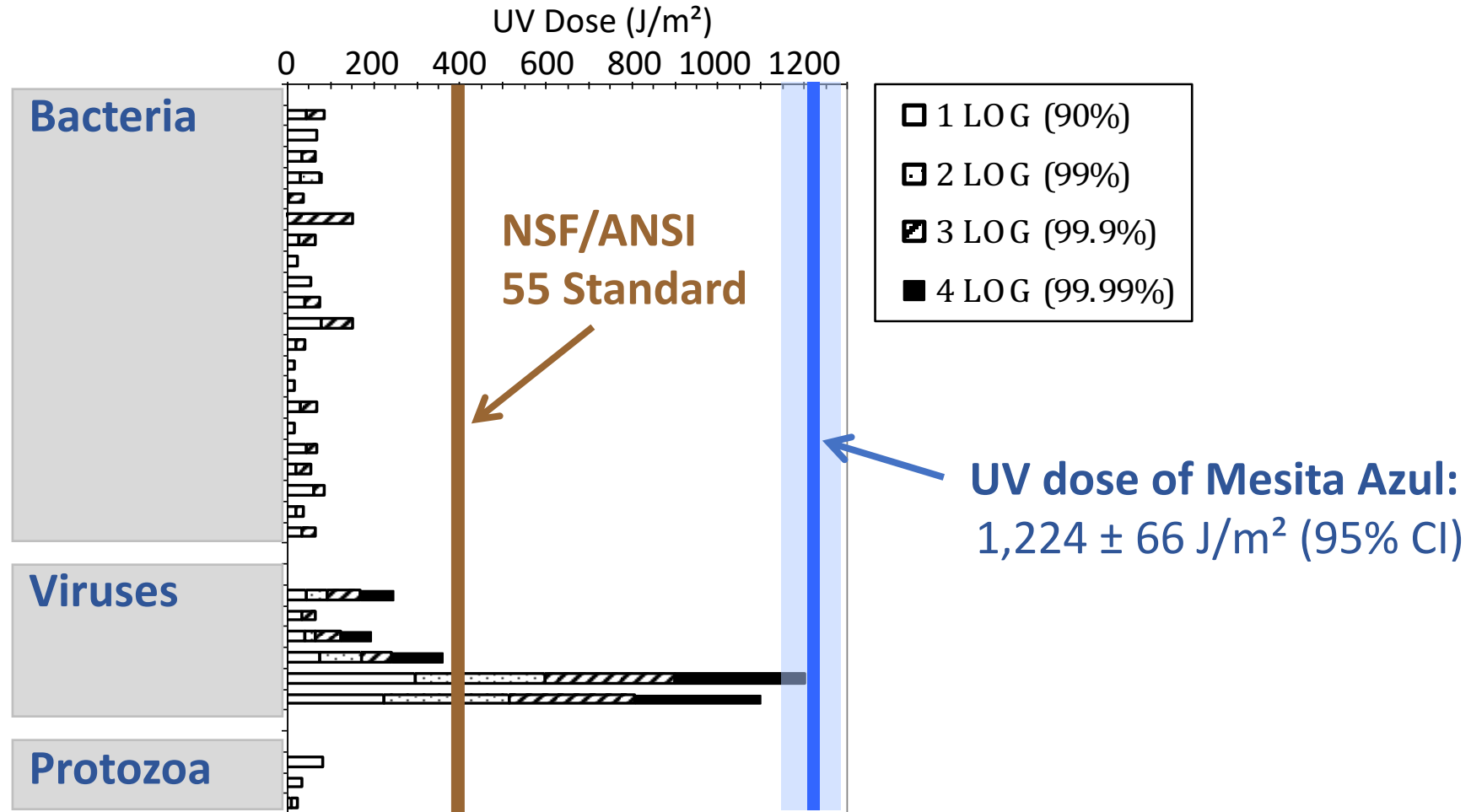


Mesita Azul: Water Disinfection at the Household Level



- Operates at fast flow rate of 5 liters / minute
- Easy to use and does not change taste of water
- Requires electricity, clear water, and safe storage

Laboratory Efficacy of the Mesita Azul



- Inactivates bacteria, viruses, and protozoa
- Meets the highly protective target of the WHO guidelines for HWT
- Delivers high germicidal dose, providing a safety margin¹

(¹Brownell et al.)

Mesita Azul Program



Needs
Assessment



Community
Presentation



Installation



Follow Up
Visits

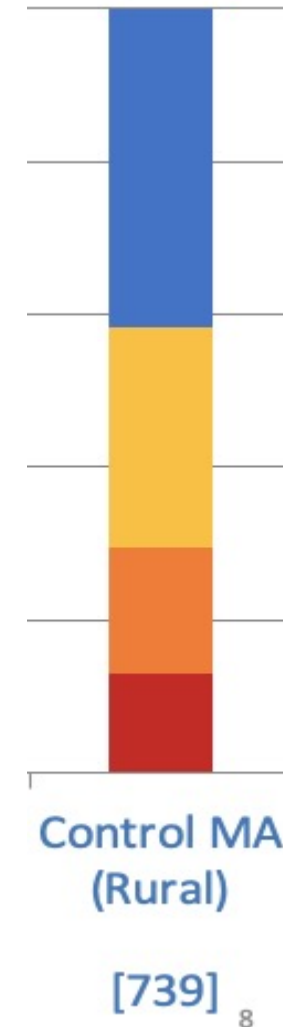
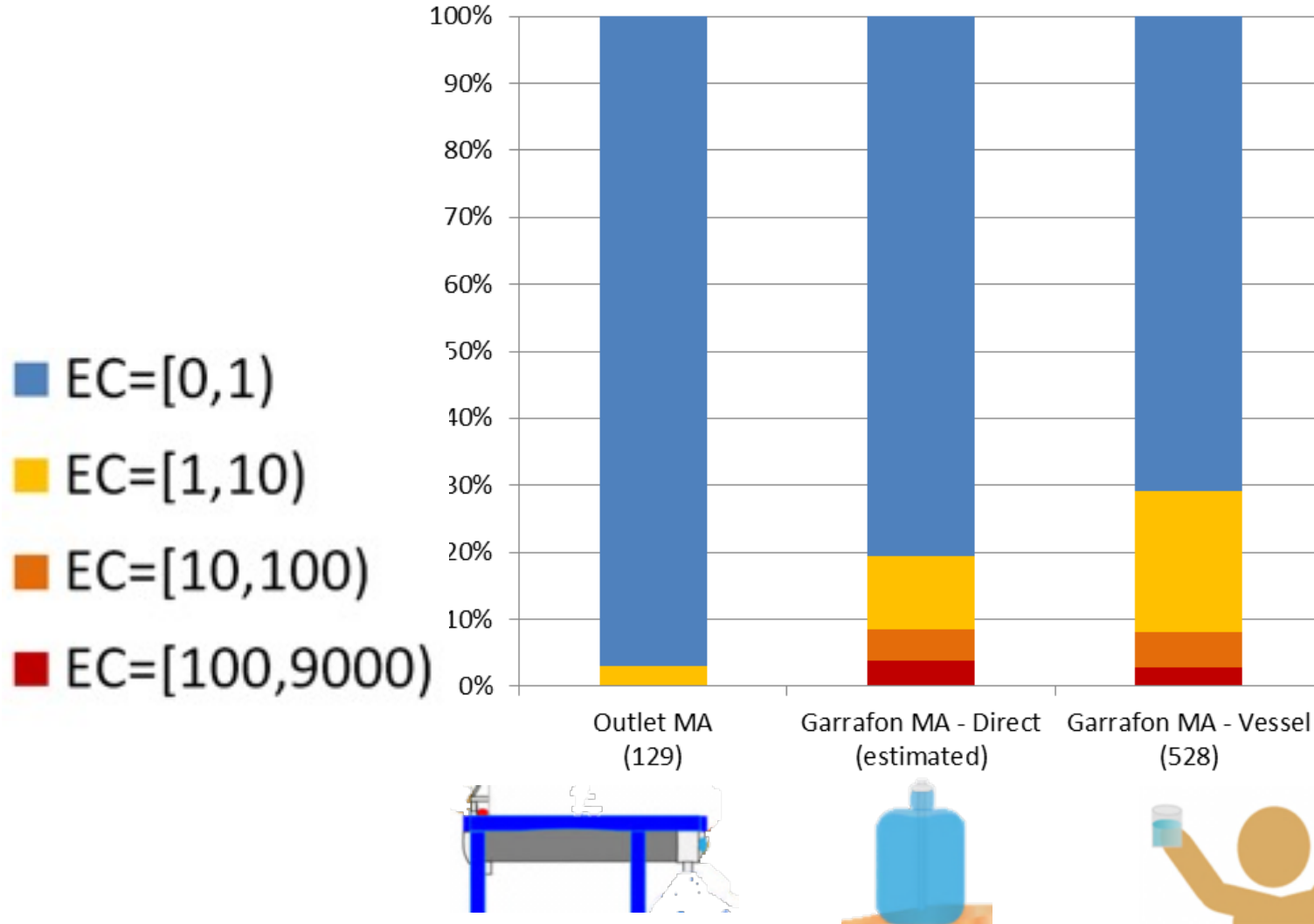


Design Process: Mesita Azul

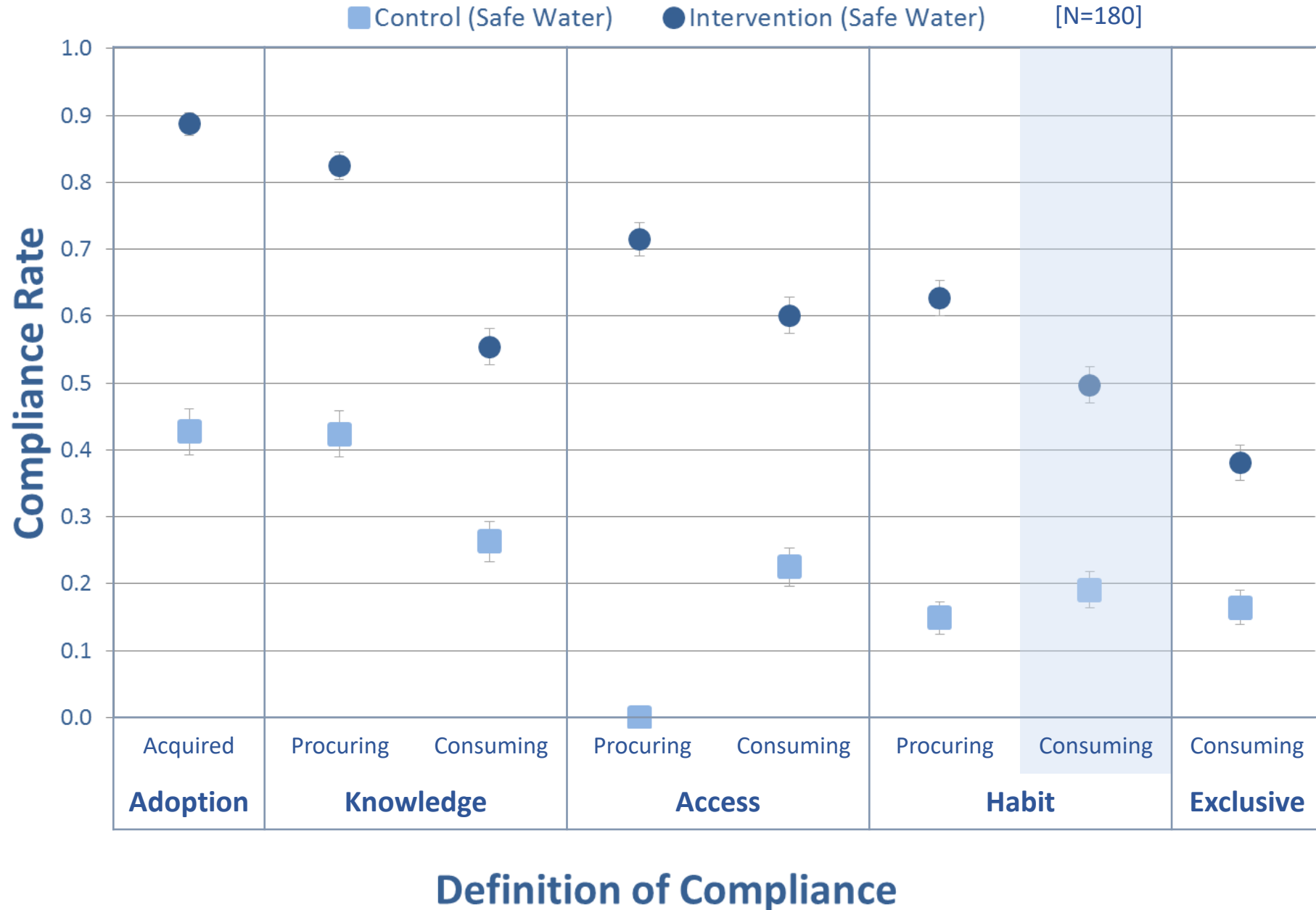


After Treatment and Before Consumption

Control Group



Compliance in Intervention and Control Groups



Research and Practice Conclusion: Paradigm Shift from Product to Service-based Programs

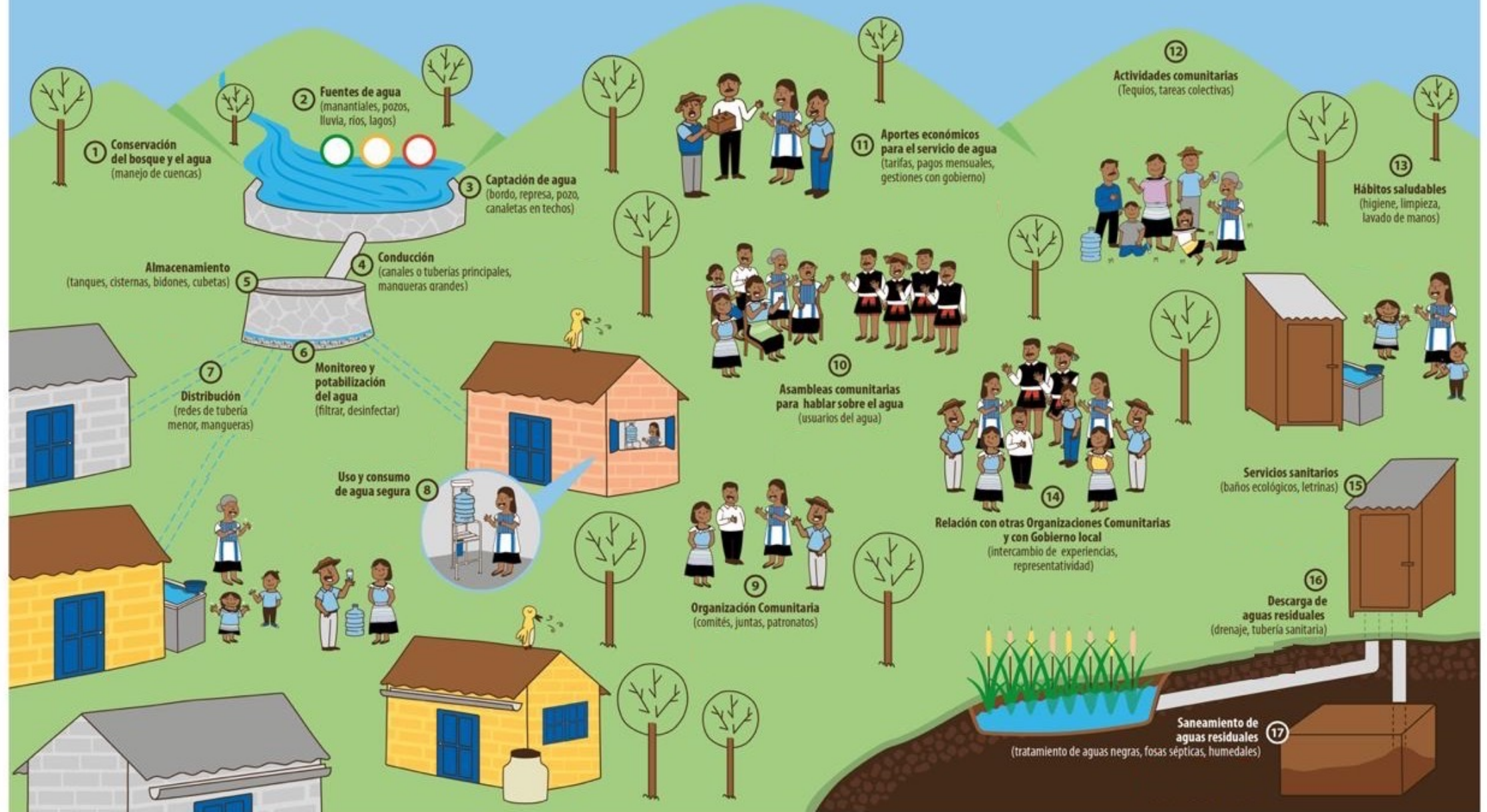


Can household water treatment play a significant role in addressing water, health, and development inequalities?

- HWT can empower end-users, but also transfers burdens
- These burdens have negatively impacted the sustained use of HWT products
- Narrow focus on drinking water at the household => poor compliance
- Need new paradigm, from product to service-based HWT programs



Community-based Water Management







The water is piped and distributed to taps at different points in the household



UV Disinfection Community Kiosks







UV Disinfection Safe Water in Schools



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