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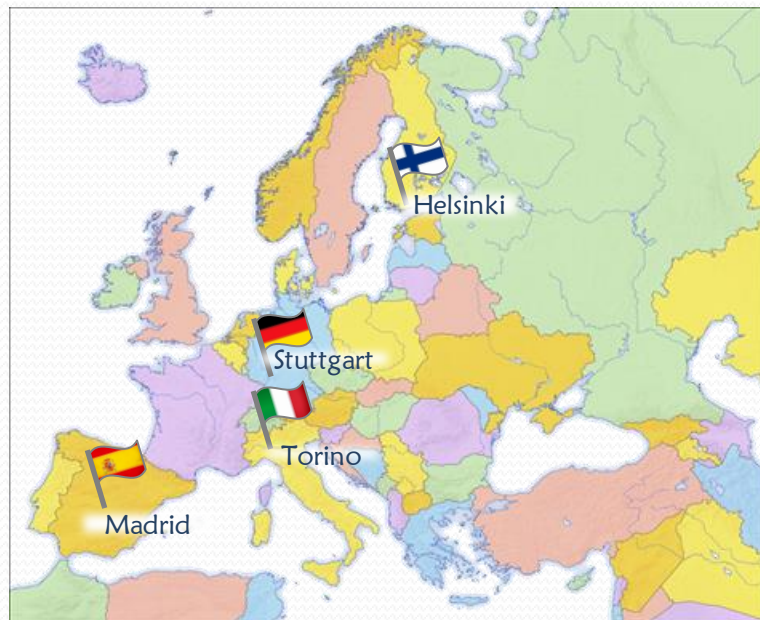
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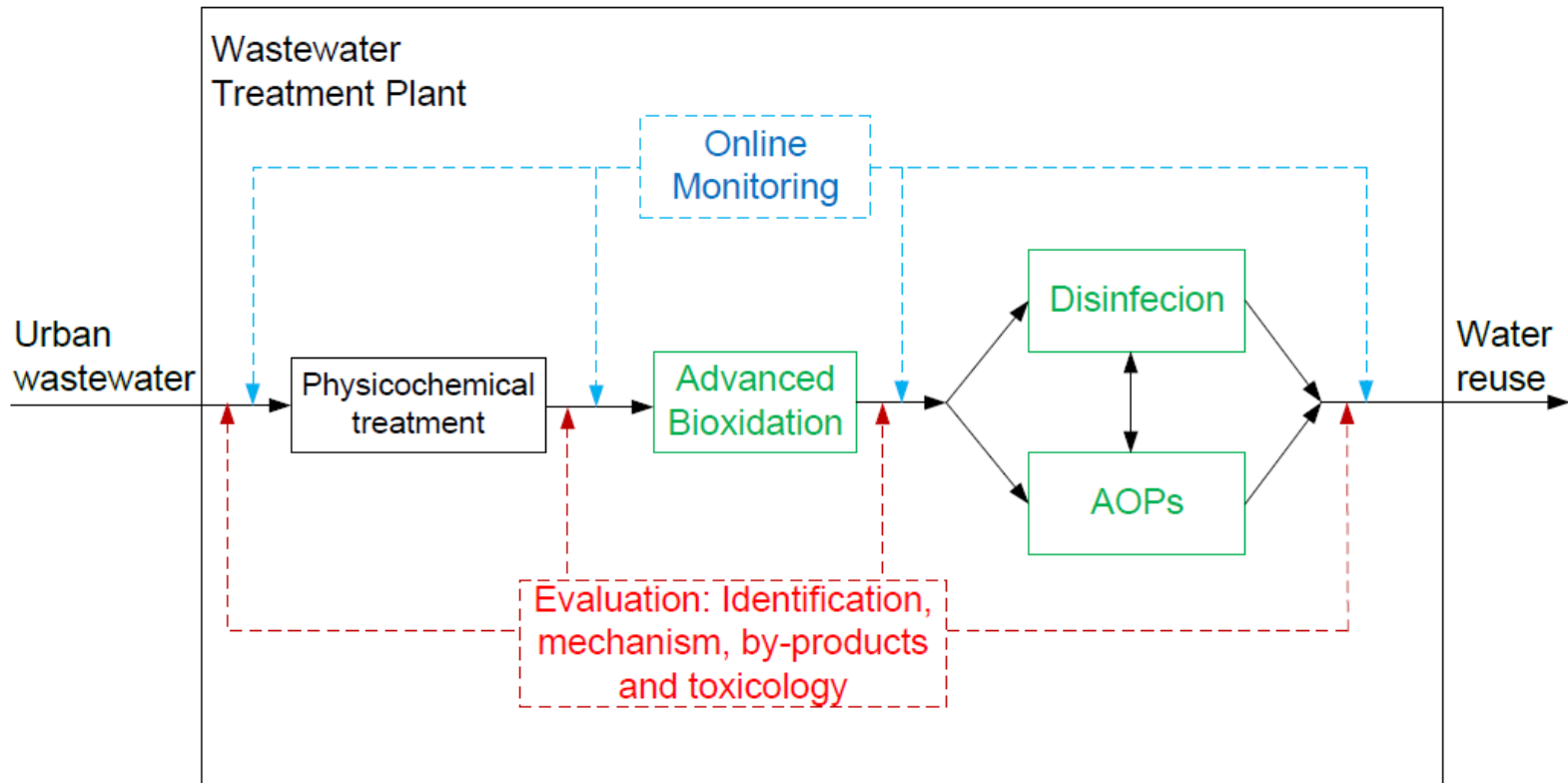
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**Integrated Processes for Monitoring
and Treatment of Emerging
Contaminants for Water Reuse**



Integrated Processes for **MO**nitoring and **TR**eatment of **EM**erging Contaminants for Water Reuse – Conceptual Diagram



MOTREM Work-Packages

WORK PACKAGES

Project execution is structured in 5 work packages:

- WP1 Development of New **Treatment** Technologies (*URJC*)
- WP2 Development of New **Monitoring** Technologies (*UST*)
- WP3 Emerging **Contaminants** Evaluation (*UH*)
- WP4 **Dissemination** and Exploitation of Project Outcome
(*AQUALIA*)
- WP5 Project **Coordination** and Management (*URJC*)

Scientific and technological results

Main topics:

- a) **Optimised biotreatment processes** with enhanced efficiency in the removal of CECs based on the incorporation of specific microorganisms.
- b) **Optimised disinfection technologies and AOPs** able to deal simultaneously with the inactivation of pathogenic microorganisms and CECs before water reuse or discharge to the environment.
- c) **Optimised technologies for the monitoring** of the WWTP operation regarding the removal of CECs, including analytical procedures and measurements of integrative parameters.
- d) **Identification of the most representative CECs** for the evaluation and monitoring of the efficiency of the water treatment processes, including its degradation mechanism and toxicology.

Scientific and technological progress

WP3 – Emerging Contaminants Evaluation



Selection of representative ECs

Representative micropollutants for monitoring in a municipal WWTP were selected. The final list included 10 target compounds (20 as an extended list) that were chosen based on:

- Current and forthcoming legislation,
- Frequency of occurrence in municipal WWTP,
- Expected concentration levels,
- Elimination potential in conventional and advanced treatment.
- Analytical feasibility

The short list comprises:

Chemical	CAS	Acronym	Reason
Atrazine	1912-24-9	ATZ	Target
Caffeine	58-08-2	CFN	Indicator
Carbamazepine	298-46-4	CBZ	Indicator/Target
Diclofenac	15307-79-6	DCF	Target
Estron	53-16-7	EST	Target
Ibuprofen	51146-56-6	IBP	Indicator
Simazine	122-34-9	SMZ	Target
Sucralose	56038-13-2	SCL	Indicator
Sulfamethoxazole	723-46-6	SMX	Target
Triclosan	3380-34-5	TCS	Indicator/Target

The extended list additionally comprises:

Chemical	CAS	Acronym
Metoprolol	51384-51-1	MTP
Iopamidol	60166-93-0	IPM
HHCB (Galaxolide)	1222-05-5	HHCB
HHCB-Lactone (Galaxolidone)	N/A	HHCB-L
DEET	134-62-3	DEET
Terbutryn	886-50-0	TBT
Bisphenol A	80-05-7	BPA
Tris-chloroethyl-phosphate (TCEP)	115-96-8	TCEP
Perfluorooctanic acid (PFOA)	335-67-1	PFOA
Acesulfame K	55589-62-3	ACF

LCT Standard Analytical Method

Complete analytical method for the rigorous determination of these substances based on:

- Standard extractions cartridges.
- Use of isotopically labelled internal standards.
- GC-MS/MS, LC-MS/MS, LC-TOF/MS analytical equipment.

LC

- Column: Waters Acquity UPLC HSS T3 1,8 μ m, 2,1 x 100mm
- Eluent A: 5% MeOH / H₂O + 0,1% Formic acid
- Eluent B: 100% MeOH + 0,1% Formic acid
- Flow: 0,2 ml/min
- Gradient, 22 min:
 - 1 min 100%A
 - 10 min 100%A -> 100% B
 - 8 min 100 % B
 - 3 min 100%A
- Injection volume: 20 μ l

TOF

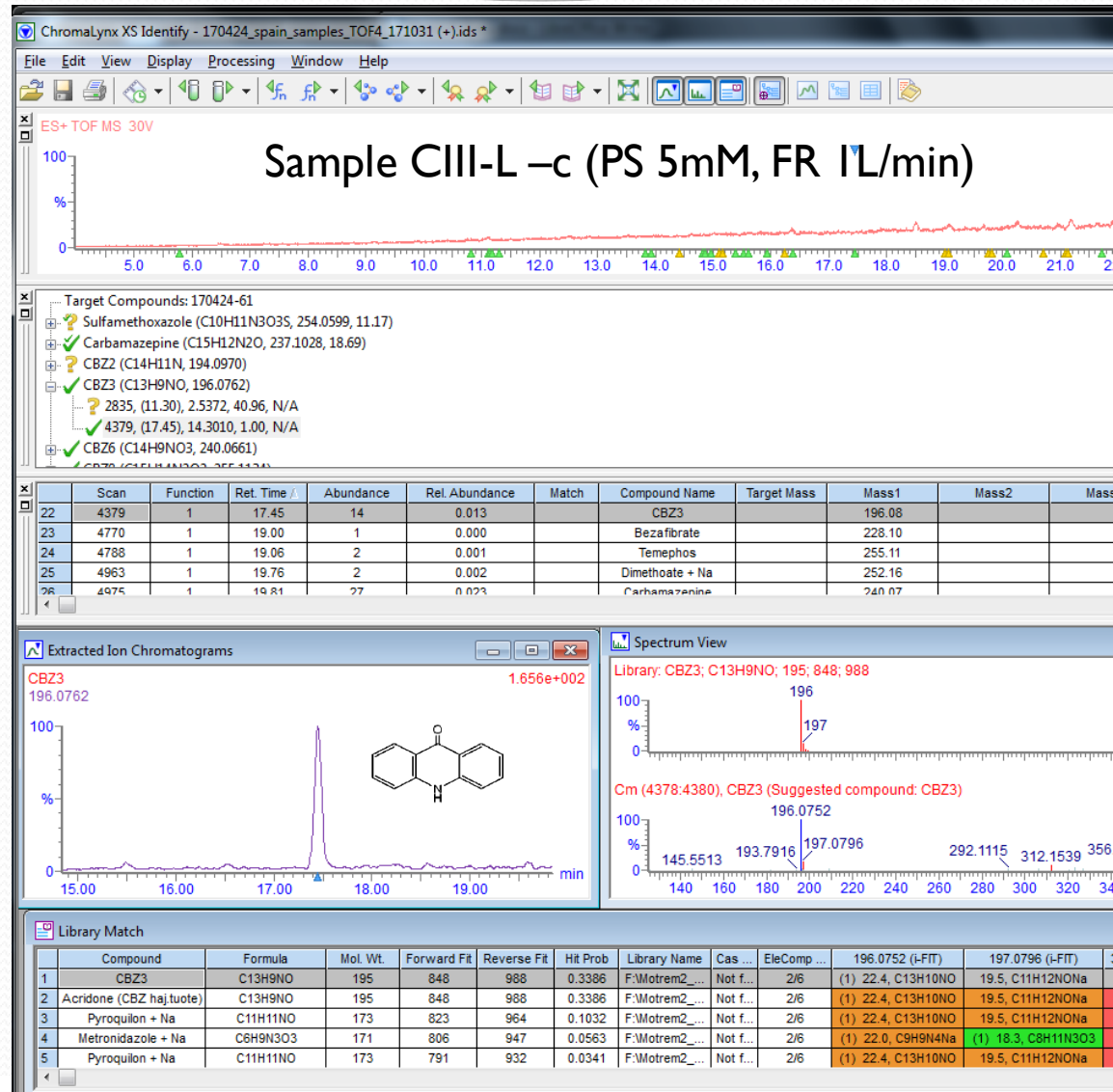
- Scan range: 60-1000 m/z
- 0,9 sec scan time, interscan delay 0,1 s
- Separate runs for ESI + and -
- ESI+: Caffeine, Simazine, Carbamazepine, Atrazine, Estrone
- ESI-: Sulfamethoxazole, Sucralose, Diclofenac, Triclosan, Ibuprofen

LCT Standard Analytical Method: Validation Data

	ESI(+)	ESI(-)	
	LOQ, ng/l	LOQ, ng/l	Linear range up to, ng/l
Caffeine	6.3		6000
Sulfamethoxazole	1.7	14	8000
Sucralose Na-adduct	17		4000
Simazine	0.3		100
Carbamazepine	1.3		4000
Atrazine	0.4		800
Estrone	4.4		800
Diclofenac	3.0		8000
Sucralose		48	8000
Diclofenac		2.6	8000
Ibuprofen		14	8000
Triclosan		8.5	200

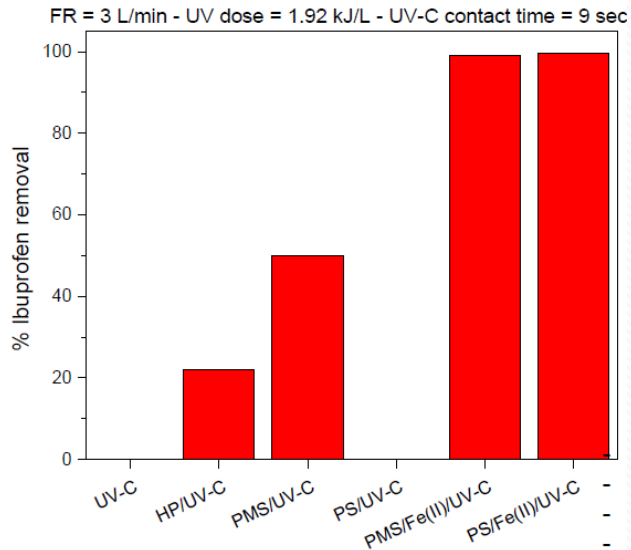
Post target LC-TOF

- A list of 30 possible transformation products of SMX, CBZ, and DCF was compiled using literature information
- These compounds were screened from the Spanish wastewater samples



Degradation intermediates

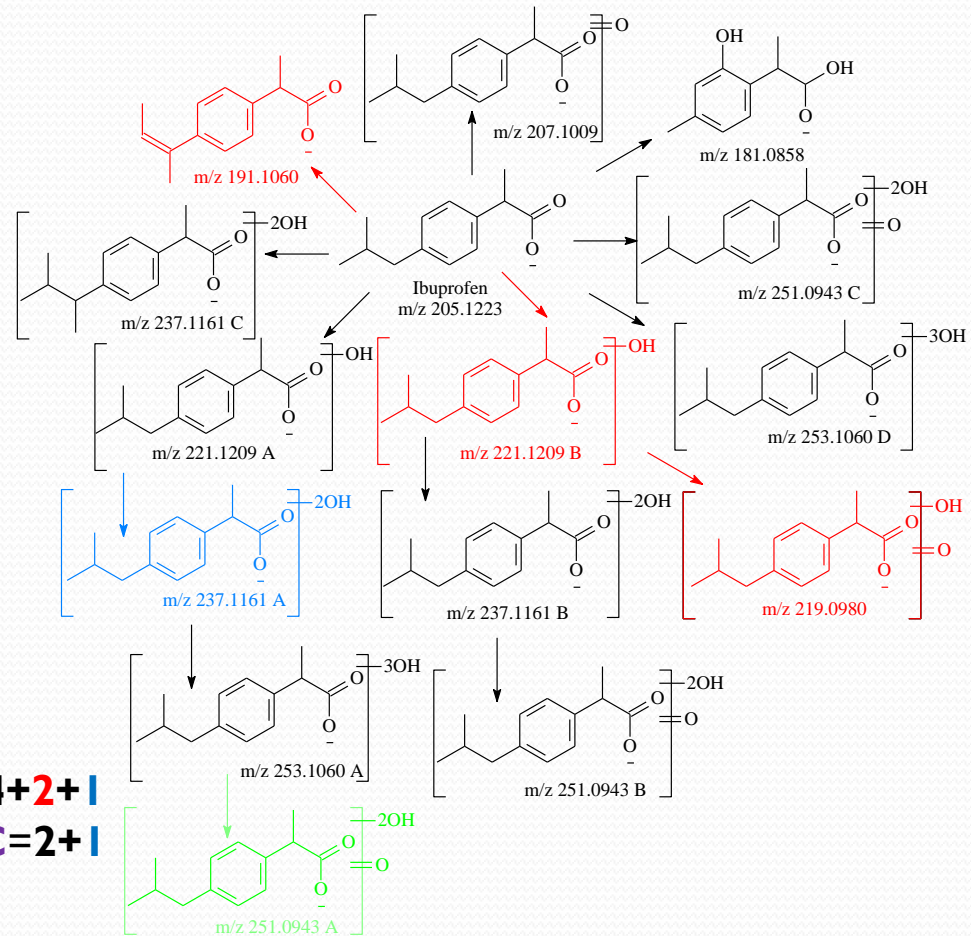
Example: the case of ibuprofen



TPs number vs treatments

HP/UV-C=9 **PMS/UV-C=3+3** **PS/UV-C=4+2+1**
PMS/Fe(II)/UV-C=3+2+1 **PS/Fe(II)/UV-C=2+1**

- ✓ 14 different TPs
- ✓ Some of them are common to several treatments.
- ✓ Other ones are specific to the treatment (**green, blue**)



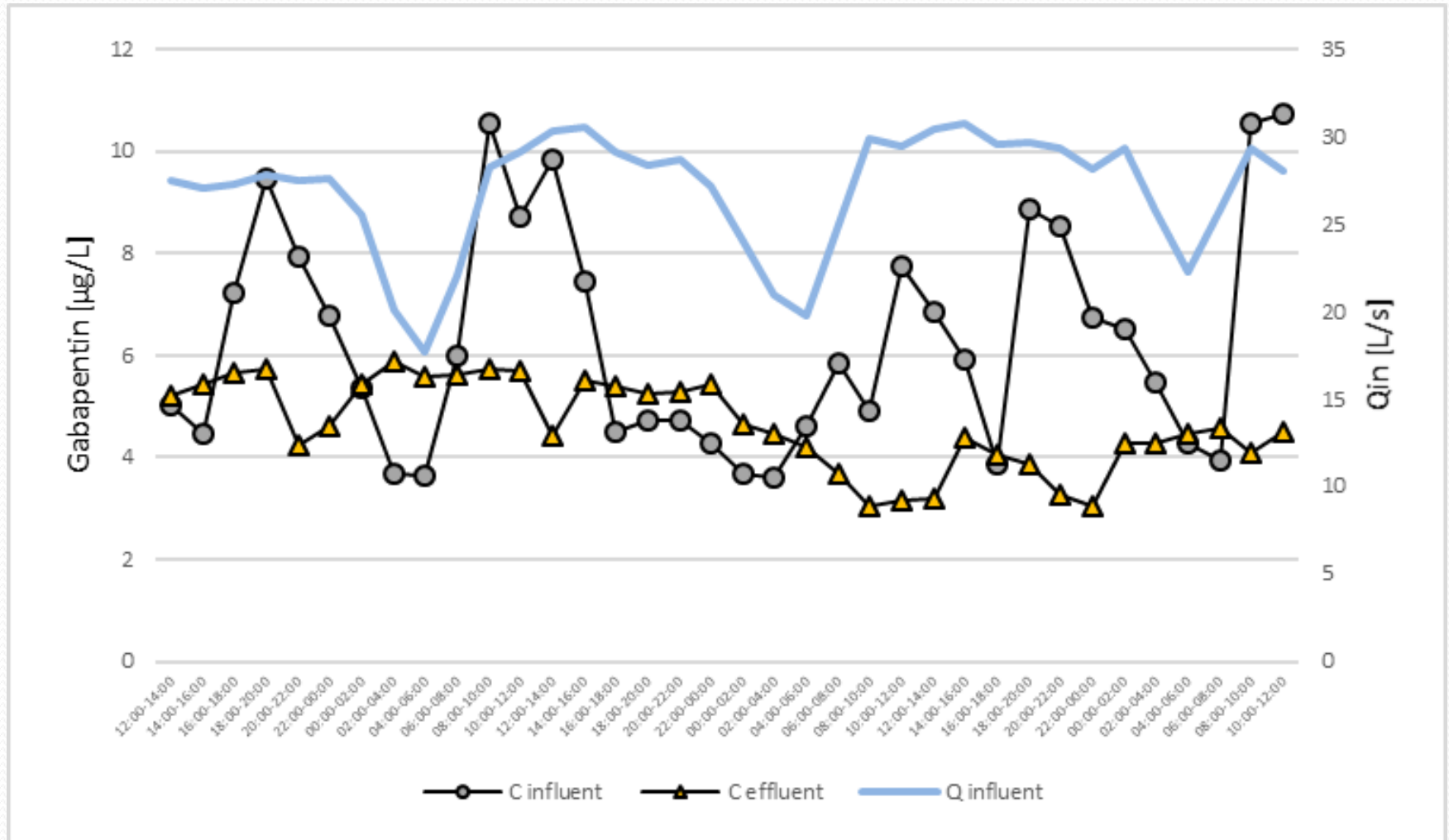
Scientific and technological progress

WP2 - Development of New Monitoring Technologies

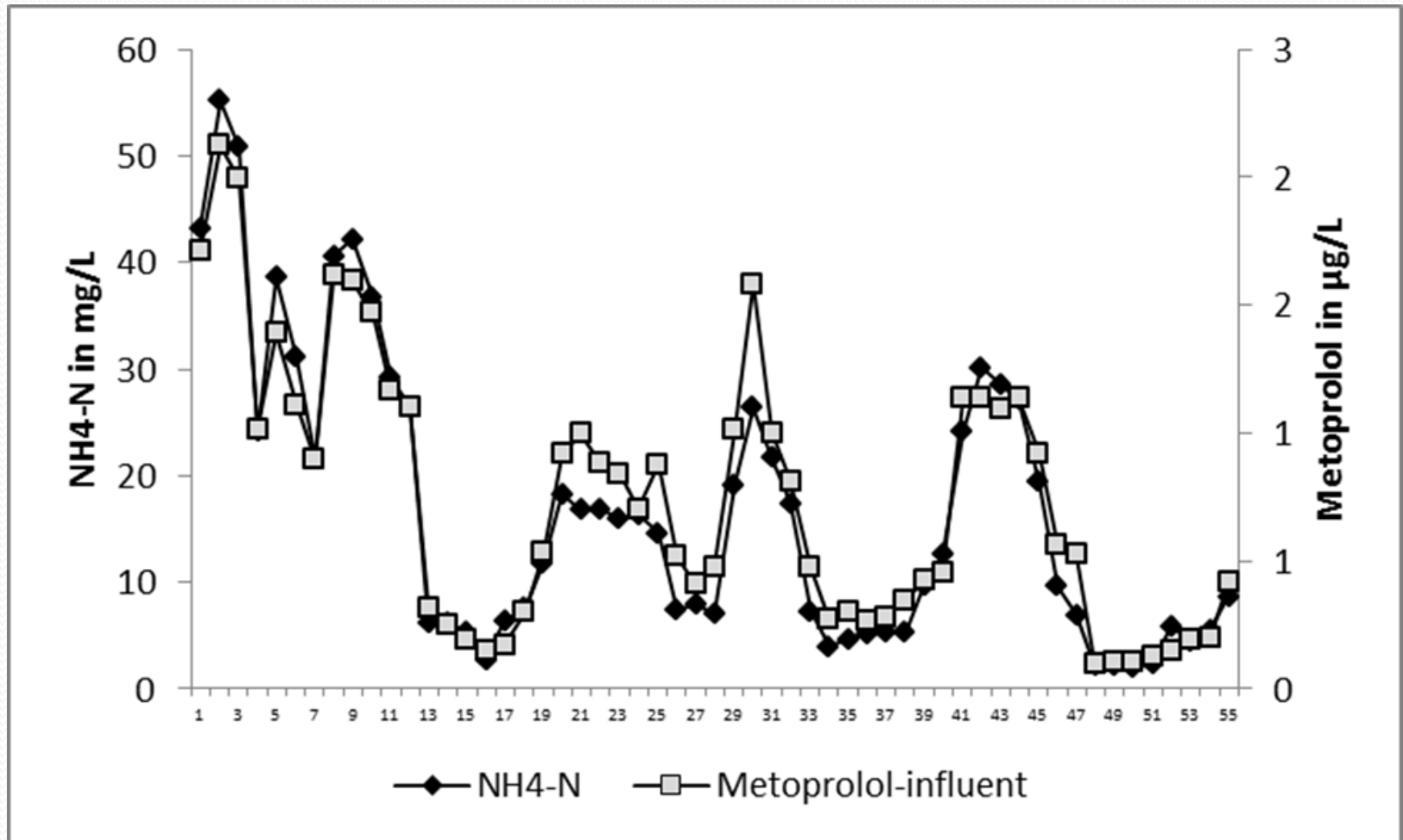


Daily Fluctuations and HRT

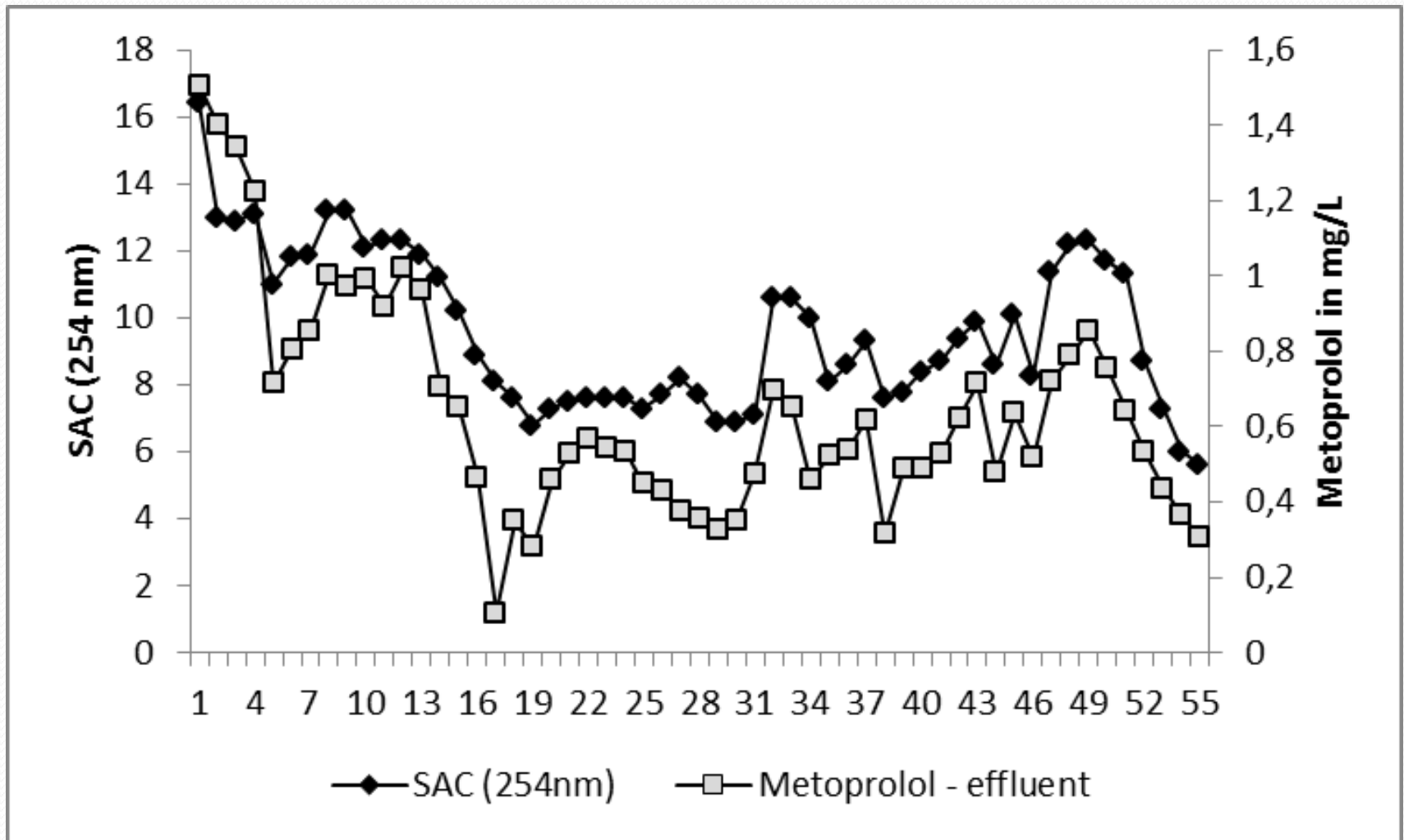
Example: System WWTP – Q variable,
2h-mixed samples for 72 h



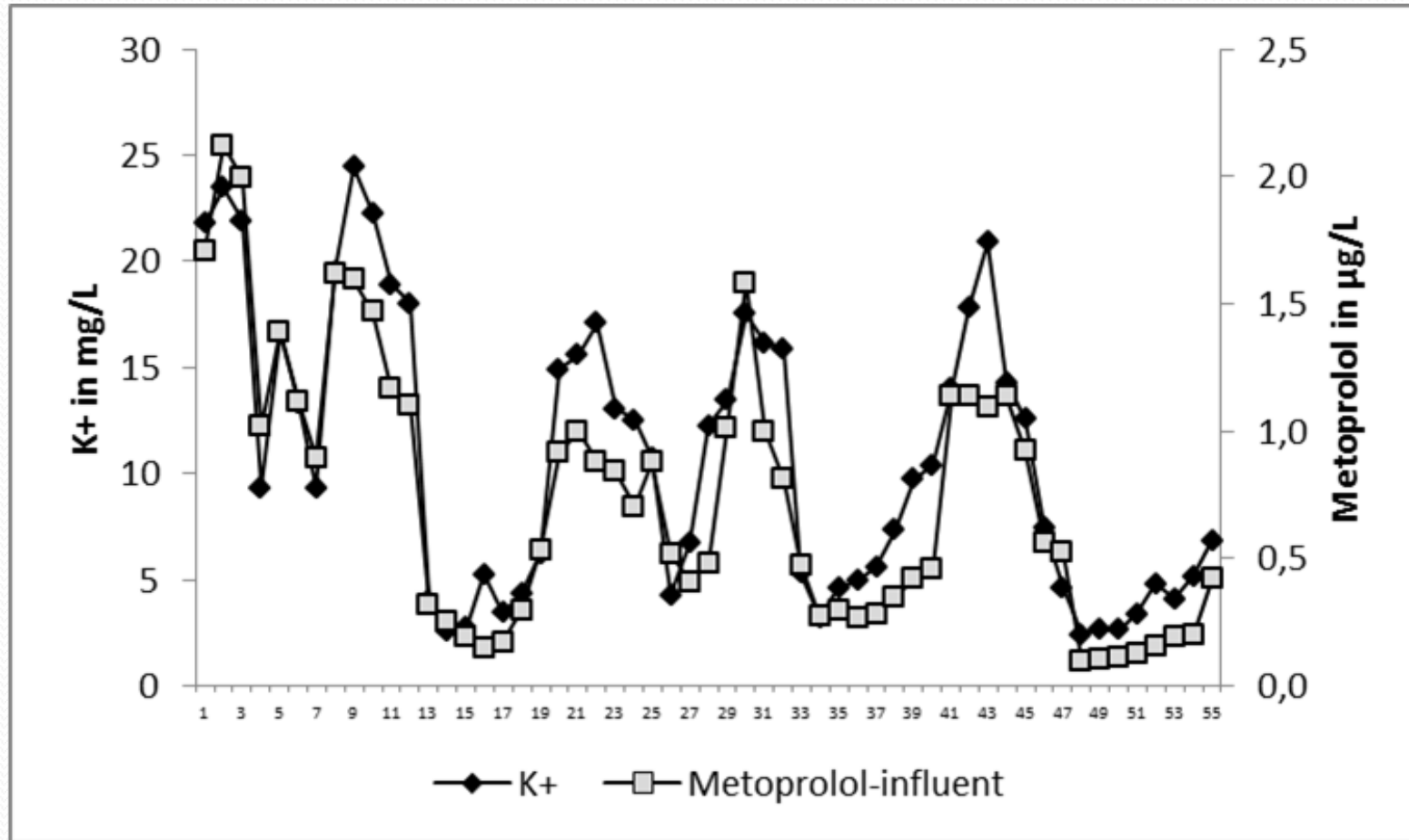
Correlation with conventional parameters



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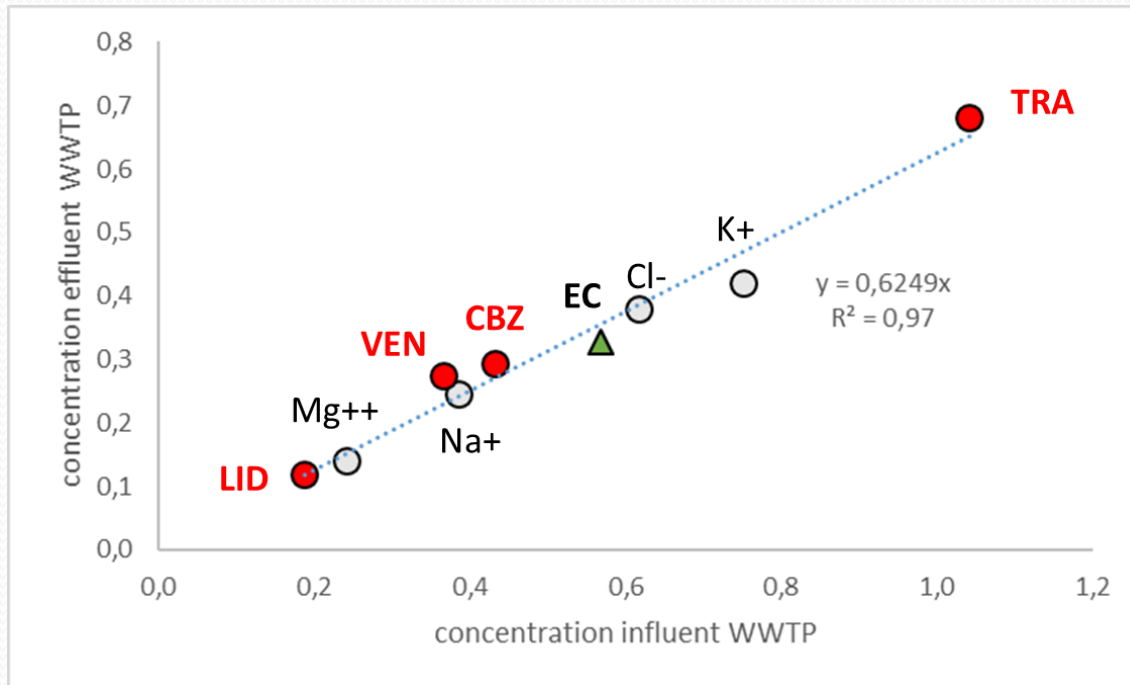
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Verification of Sampling with conventional parameters

24h-mixed samples influent/effluent WWTP (E)



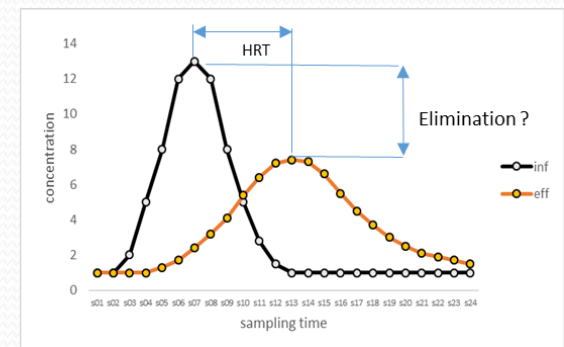
LID: Lidocaine; VEN: Venlafaxine, CBZ: Carbamazepine, TRA: Tramadol, EC: Electric Conductivity

Removal of micropollutants app. 37 % ?

HRT not considered?

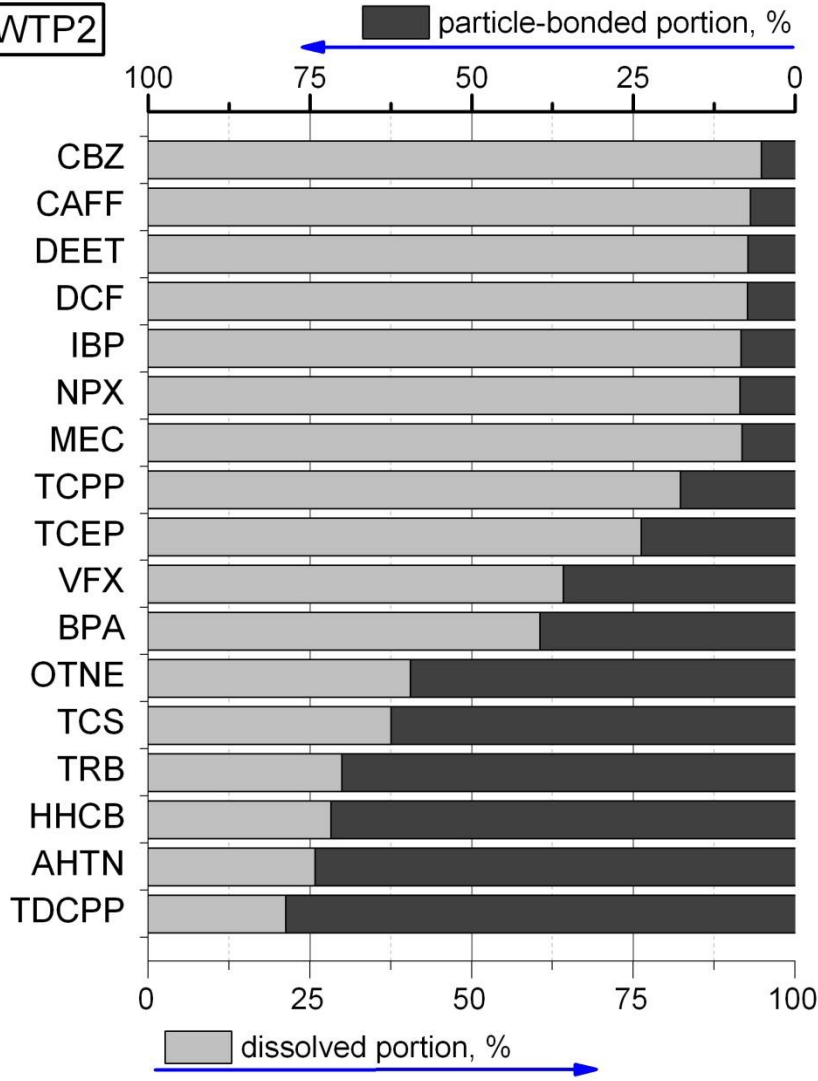
Dispersion?

Foreign Water?

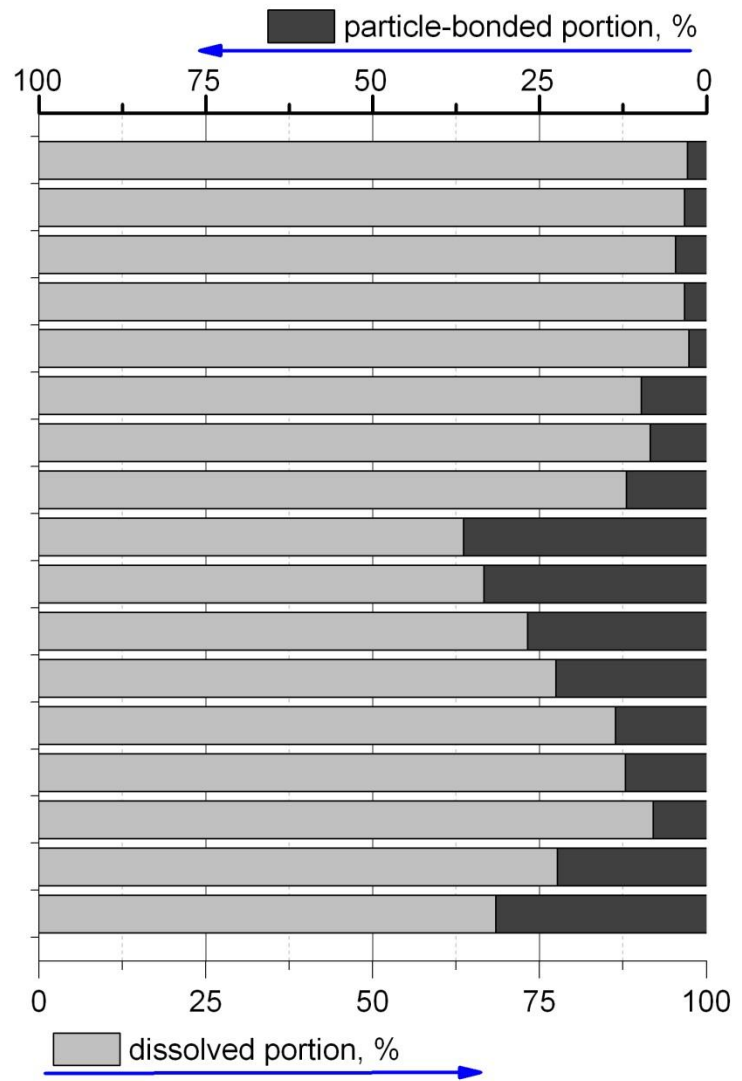


Dissolved vs Particle bonded

WWTP2

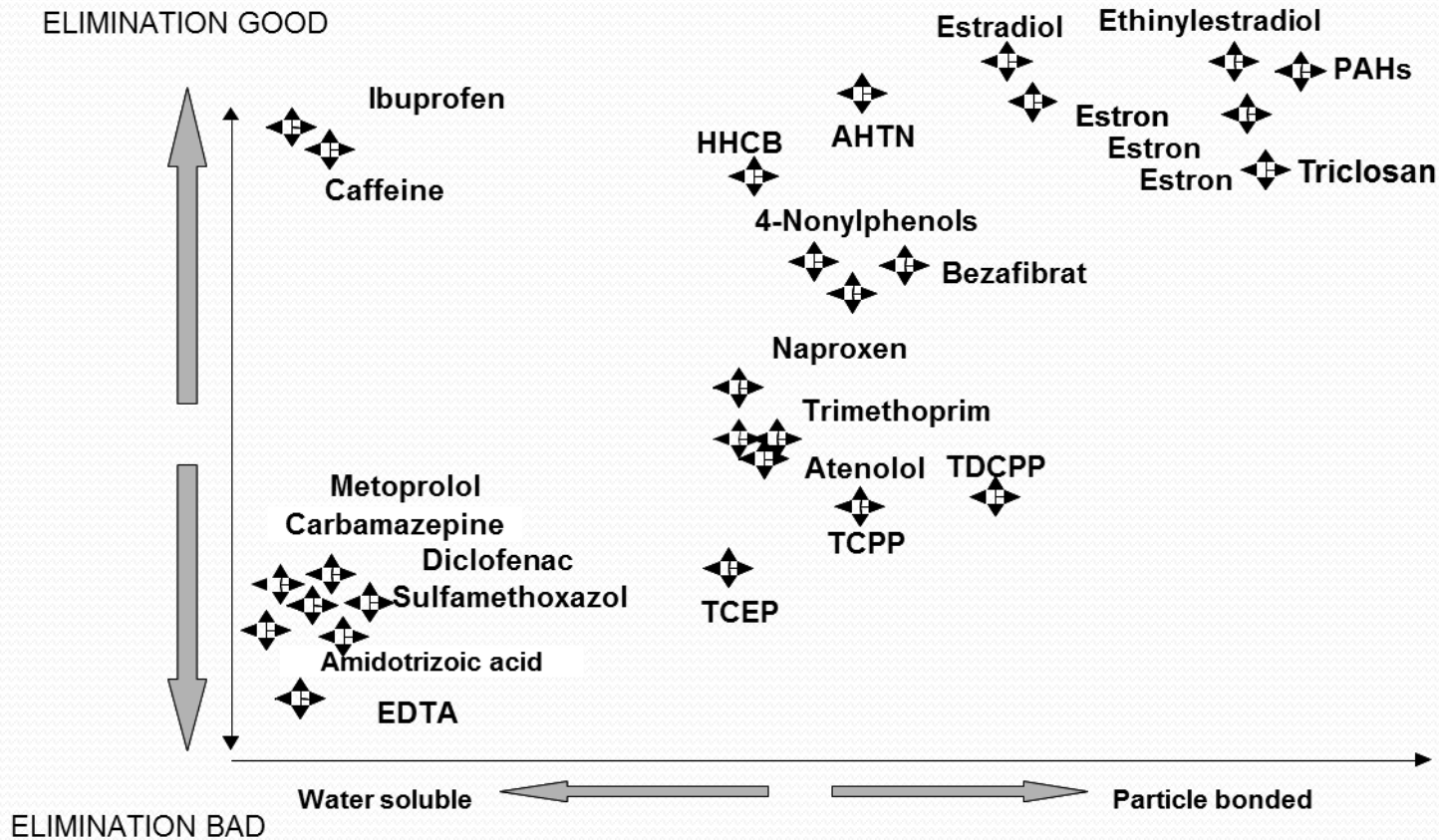


INFLUENT

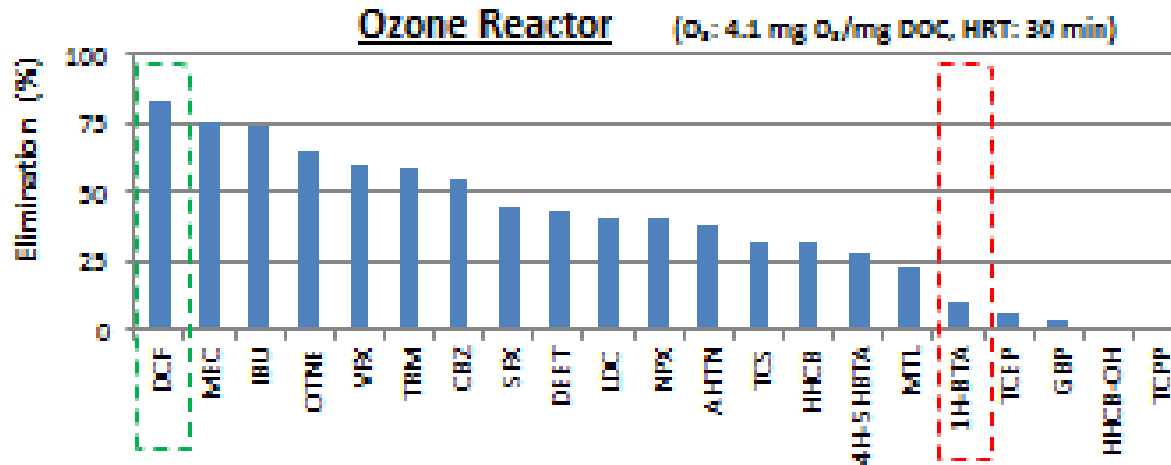


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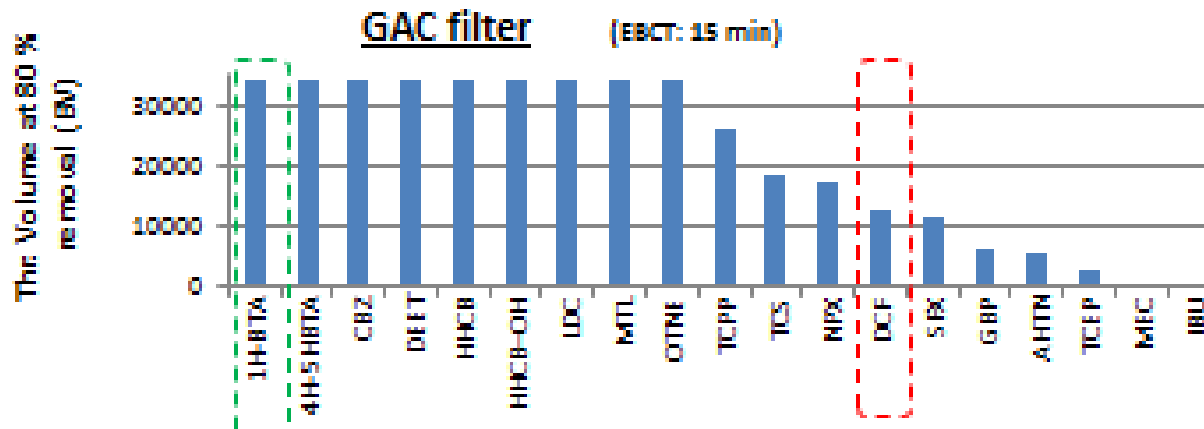
MICROPOLLUTANTS – ELIMINATION IN MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT



Selection of representative substances



Micropollutants are removed at different extent by each process based on their properties
 > Process-related micropollutants to be used for control



Selection of representative substances

Selection should be based on

- Process to be monitored
- Chemico-physical properties of the substance
- Occurrence and detection frequency
(periodic/episodic)
- Source and entry path
- Substances should be representatives of a group with a similar behaviour

Scientific and technological progress

WP1 - Development of New Treatment Technologies



Efficient Biodegradation of ECs with ABOP

*Trametes
versicolor*

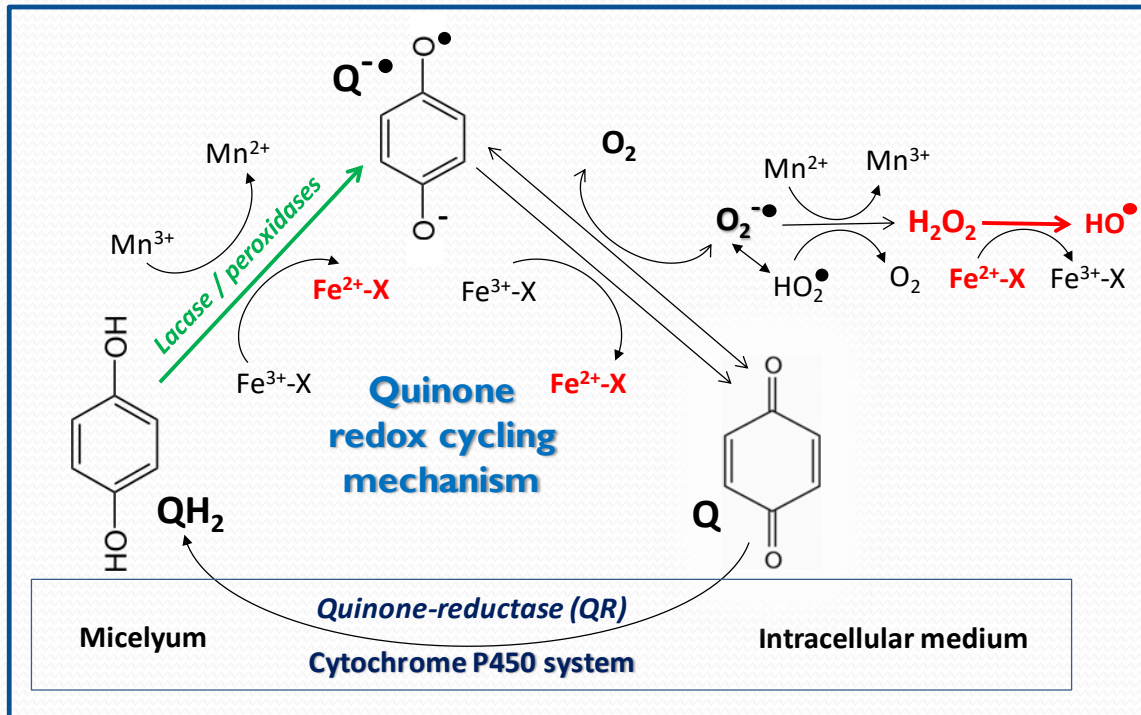
*Ganoderma
lucidum*

Advanced bio-oxidation process (ABOP) mediated by white-rot fungi

- Biological Fenton-like system
- Non-specific biodegradation system
- Preconditioning is not needed



Generation of oxidizing radicals
by extracellular enzymes



Process catalysed by intracellular quinone reductase (cytochrome P450 system) and any of the ligninolytic enzymes of white-rot fungi (peroxidases and laccases)

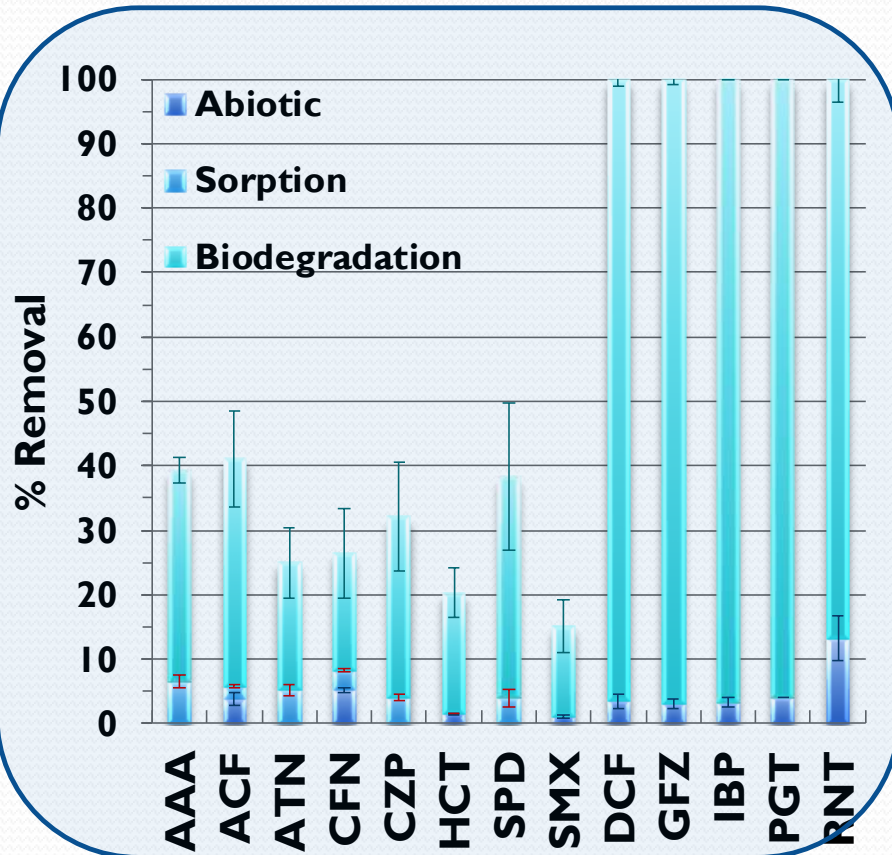
Key points

- Quinone mediator
- Fe (II) and Mn (II) species

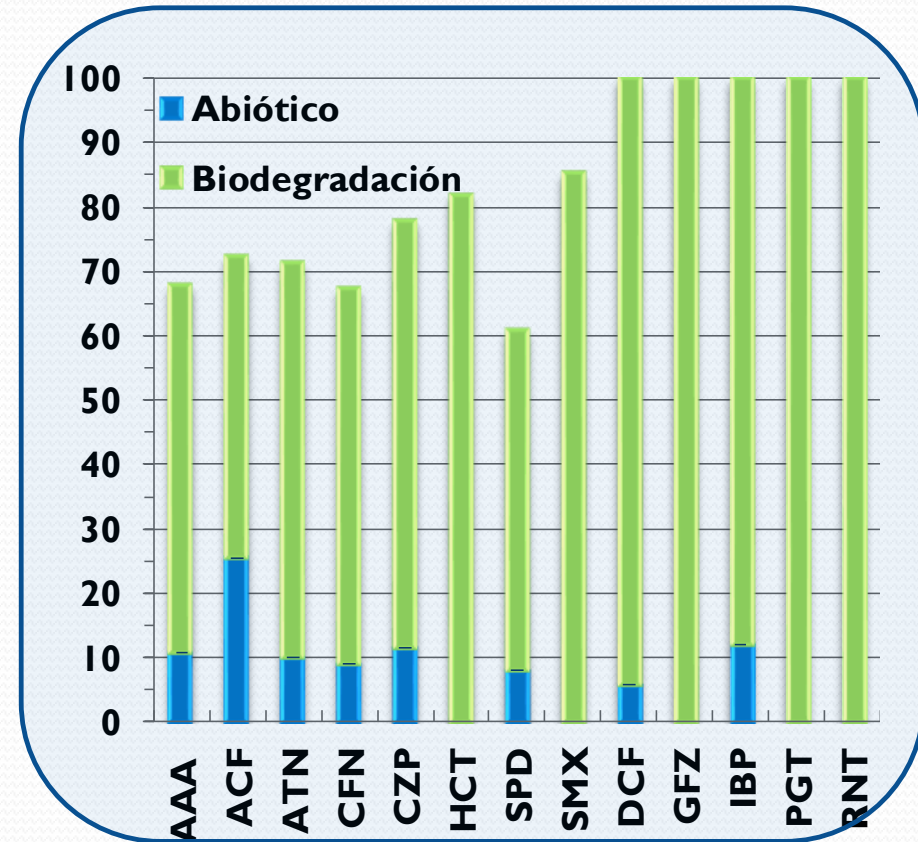
Supplementary
substrates for AOBP

Efficient Biodegradation of ECs with ABOP

Bioassays in batch reactors



ONLY DEFINED MEDIUM



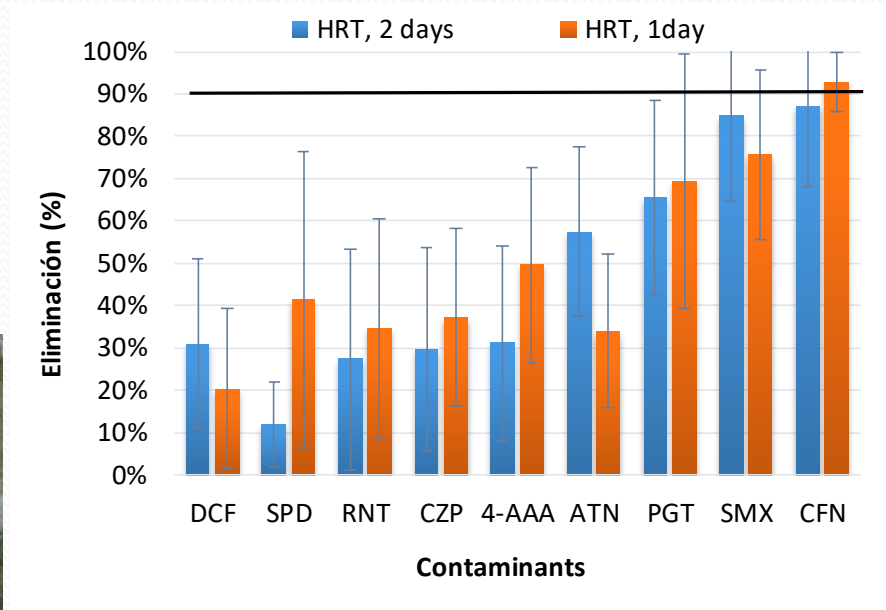
DEFINED MEDIUM +
SUPPLEMENTARY SUBSTRATES
FOR AOBP

Addition of Fe(III), Mn(II) and DMBQ activator

Efficient Biodegradation of ECs with ABOP

Fungal biodegradation in continuous Rotating Biological Contactors (RBCs)

Units	1 (5 discs each)
Total volume	24.5 L
Disc diameter	30 cm
Disc area	1.42 m ²
Disc submerged	40% (10 L)
Rotation speed	20 rpm
HRT	1-2 days
Temperature	26±2°C



C-TOC Reduction ≈ 80%

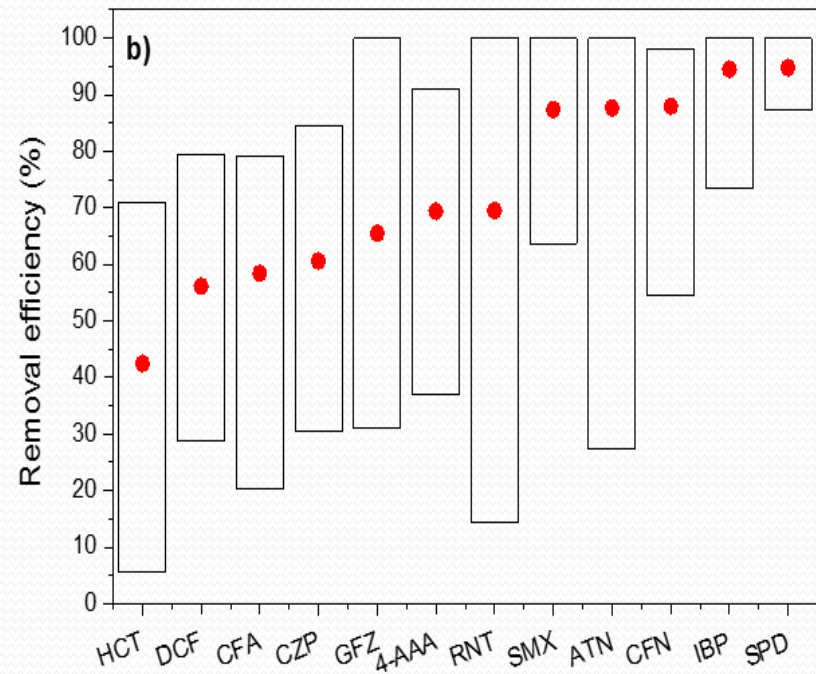
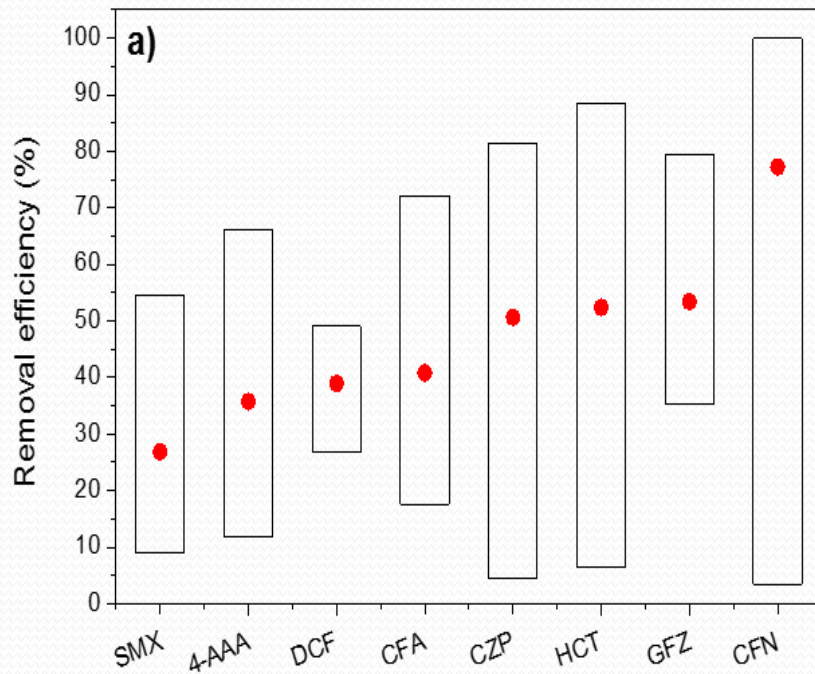
N-NH₄⁺ Reduction ≈ 90-95%

Efficient Biodegradation of ECs with ABOP

CONTINUOUS TREATMENT USING ROTATING BIOLOGICAL CONTACTORS

A. Synthetic Urban Waste Water (SUWW), spiked 50 $\mu\text{g/L}$, 1d HRT

B. Real Urban Waste Water (RUWW) from DAF (URJC), spiked 50 $\mu\text{g/L}$, 1d HRT



Intervals of removal of pharmaceutical compounds for the treatment of
a) SUWW and b) RUWW (red dot: average value)

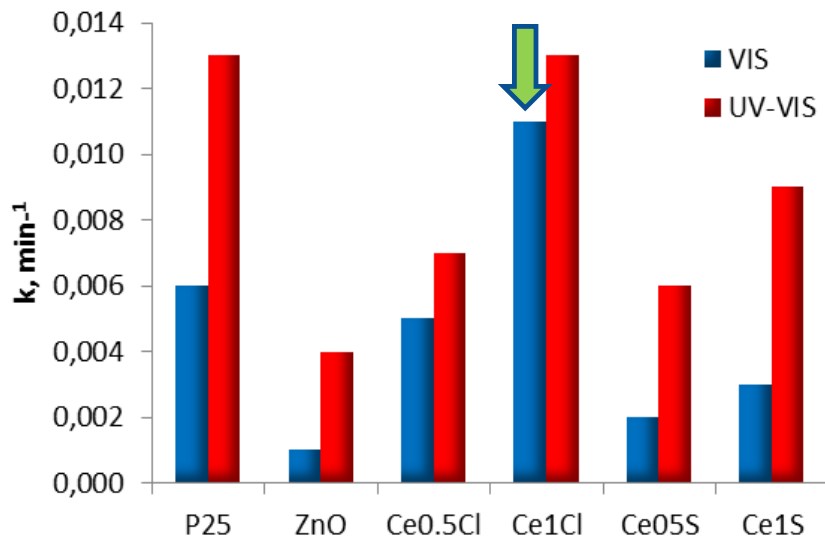
ZnO and Ce-ZnO photocatalytic materials

Synthesis

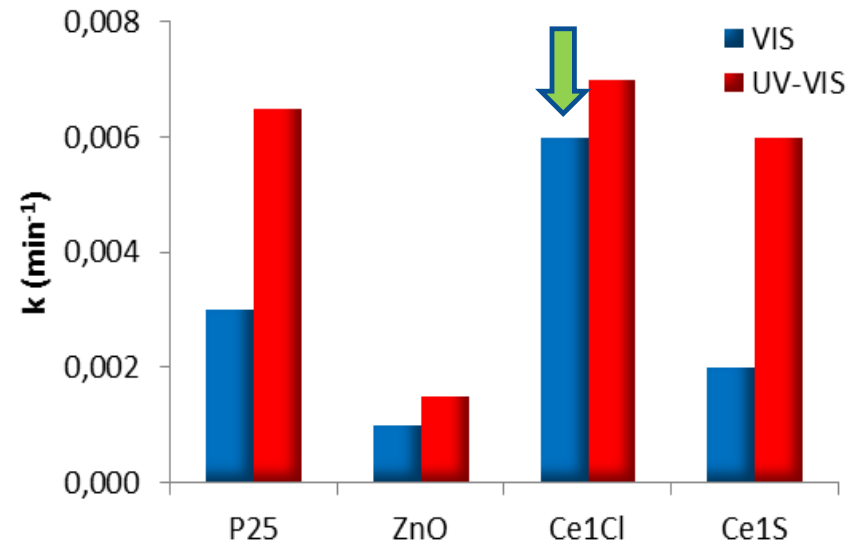
ZnO and Ce-ZnO synthesised via hydrothermal route from Zn acetate and $Ce(SO_4)_2$ or $CeCl_3$ at 0.5 % level (Ce05S) (Ce05Cl) and 1 % level (Ce1S) (Ce1Cl).

Removal of Acesulfame K removal

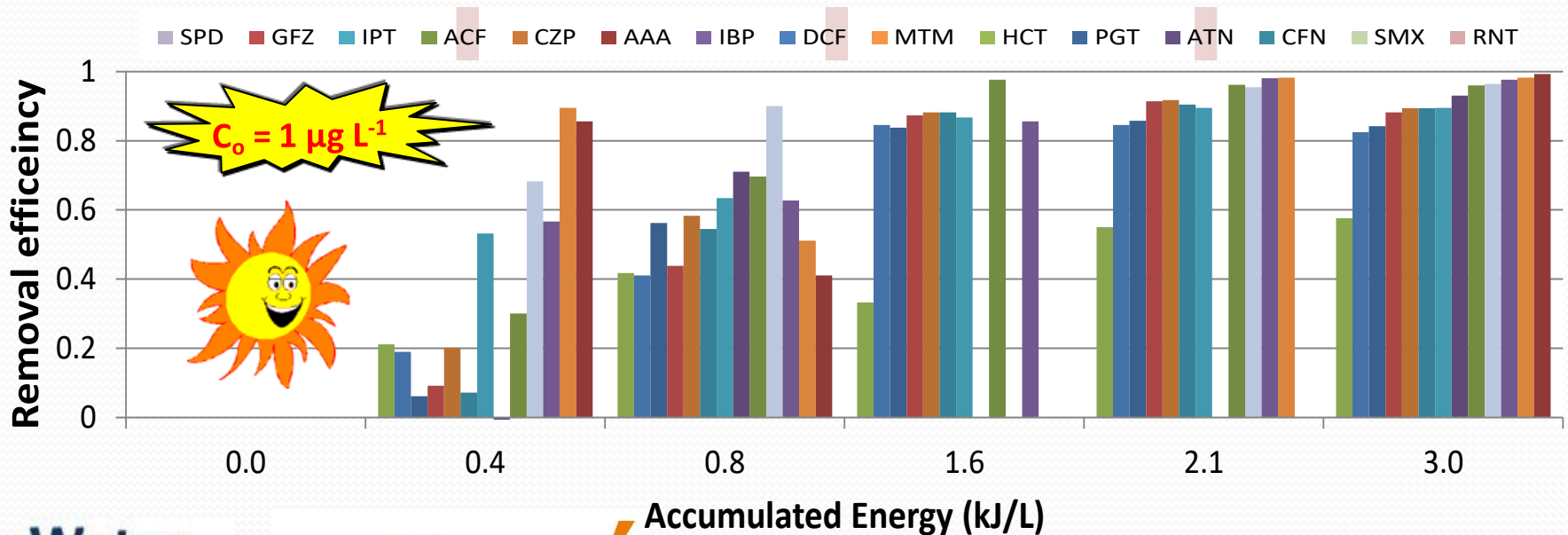
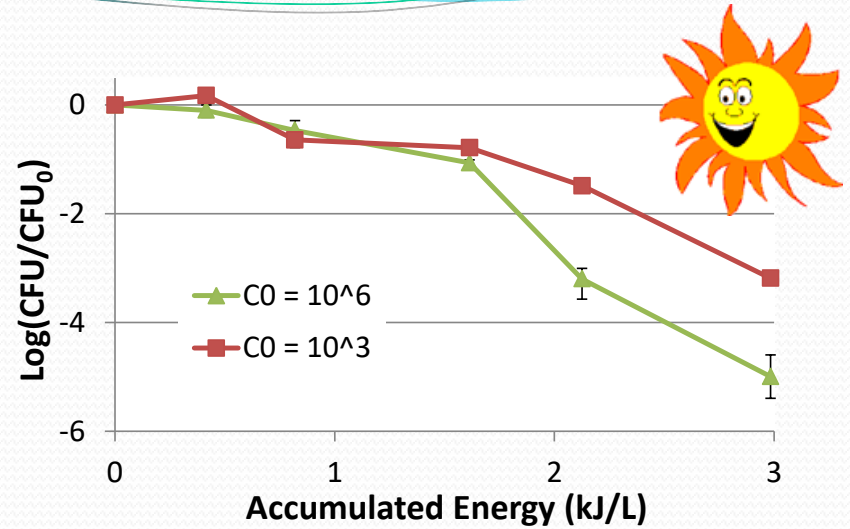
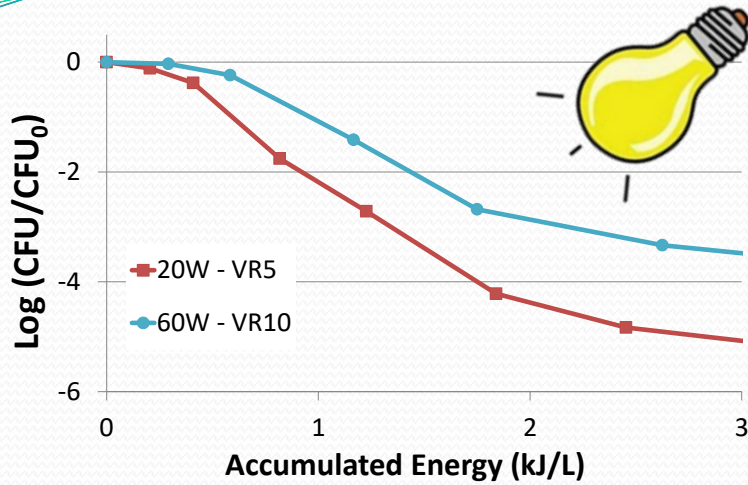
MilliQ Water



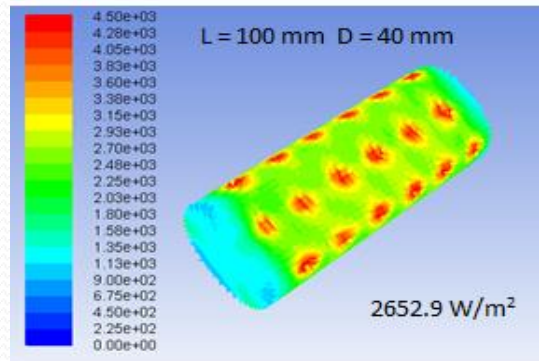
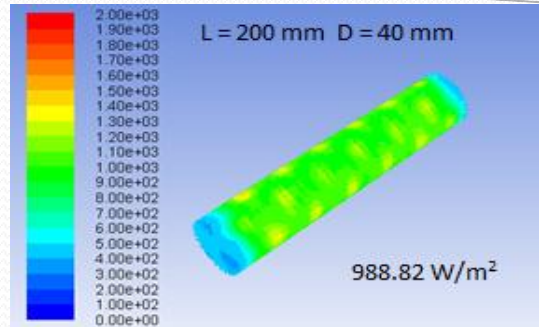
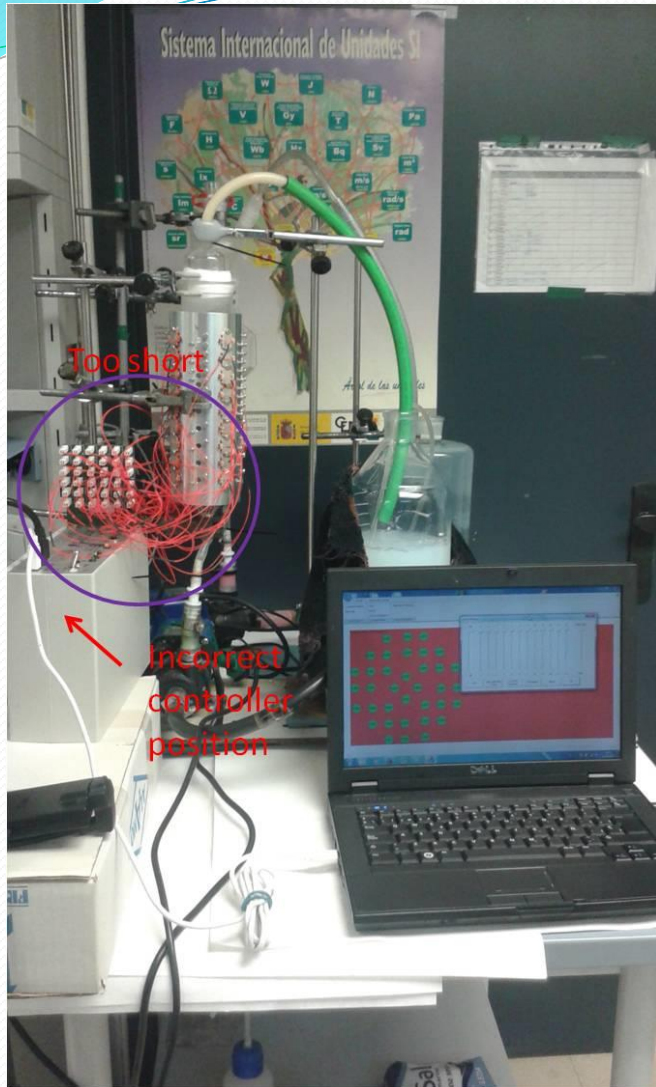
Real Water



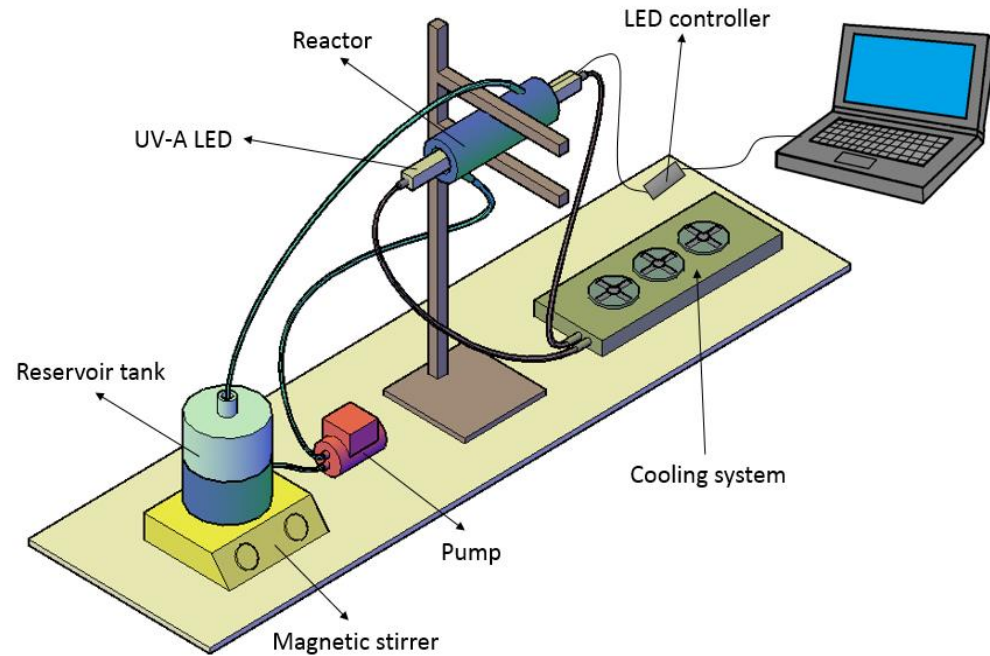
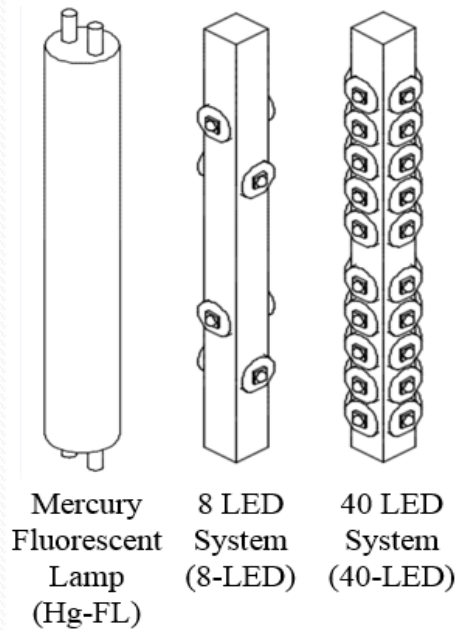
Efficient Removal of ECs during Photochemical Disinfection



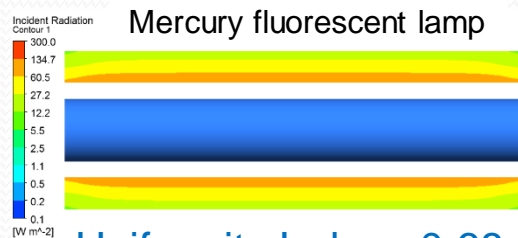
Advance Photoreactors for Disinfection & CEC Removal



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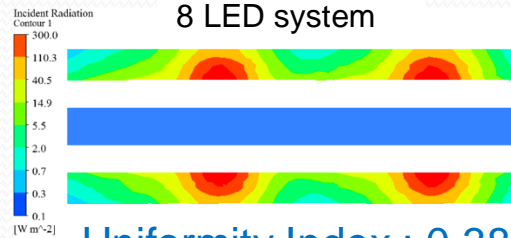


ANSYS Fluent



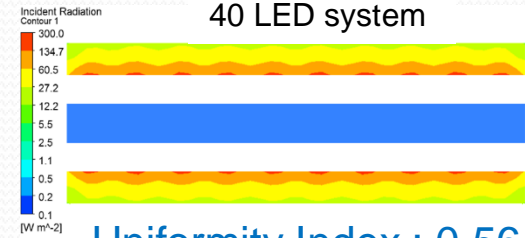
Mercury fluorescent lamp

Uniformity Index : 0.68



8 LED system

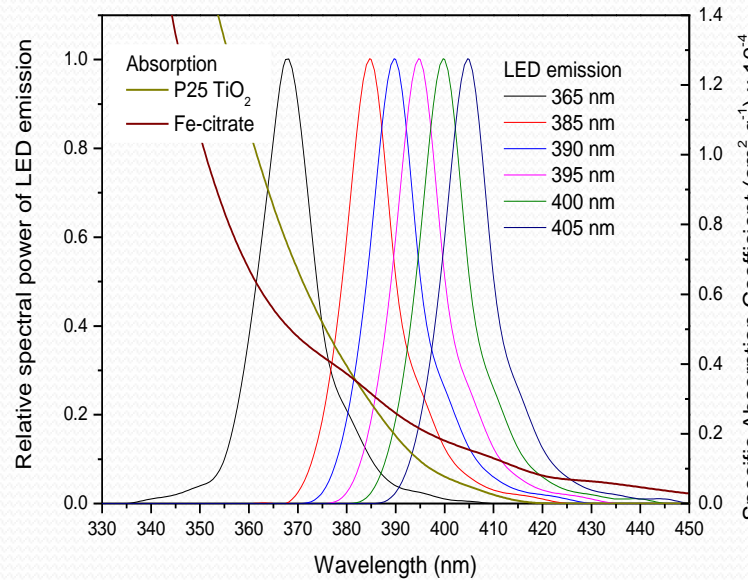
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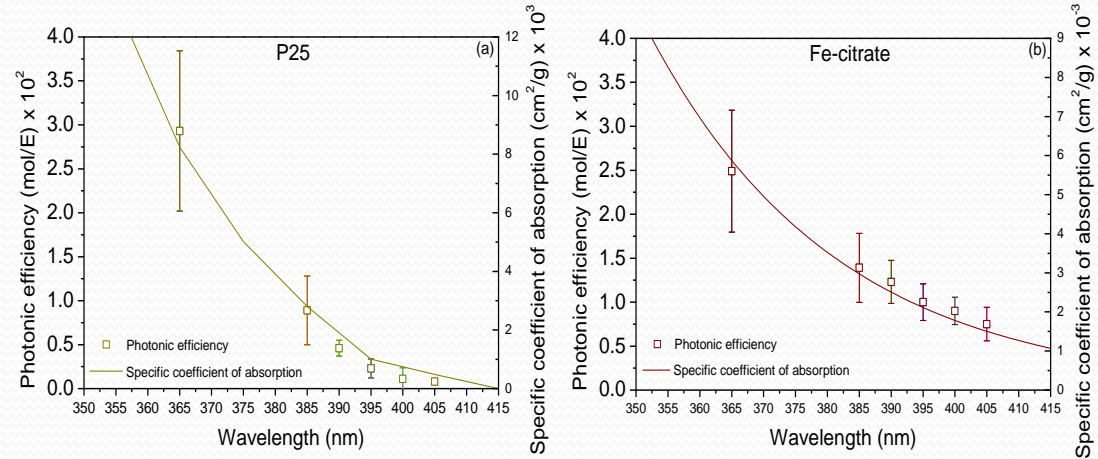
40 LED system

Uniformity Index : 0.56

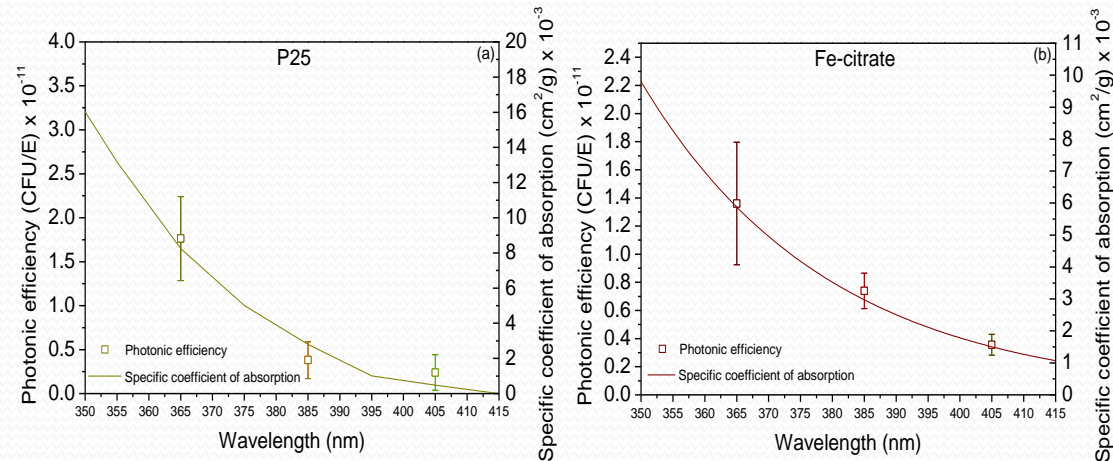
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CHEMICAL OXIDATION

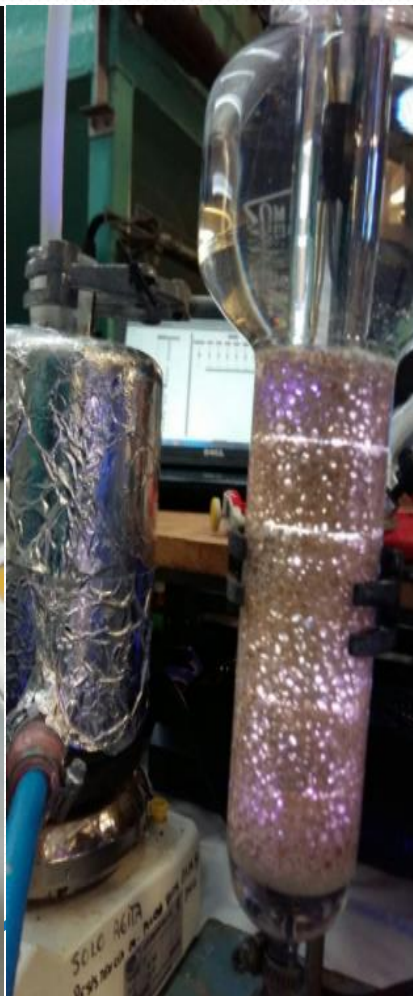


BACTERIAL INACTIVATION

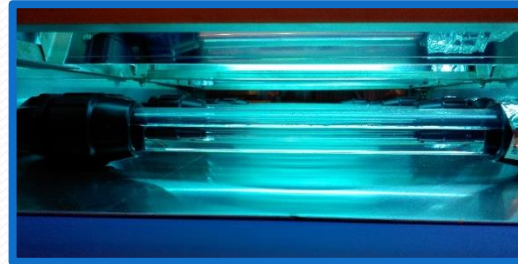


WPI: Task 1.3. Disinfection & Removal of emerging contaminants

Fixed-Bed Reactor: Catalytic Foams



Disinfection & CEC Removal: UV-C Pilot Plant



Treatments:

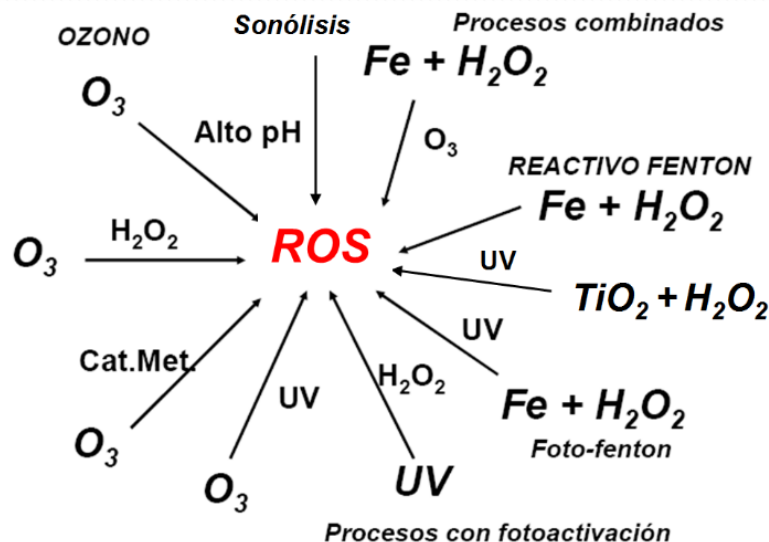
- UV-C
- PMS/UV-C
- PS/UV-C
- PMS/Fe(II)/UV-C
- PS/Fe(II)/UV-C
- H₂O₂/UV-C

Maximum operational conditions

- 4 UV-C lamps (380 W; $\lambda = 254 \text{ nm}$)
- 4 serial quartz pipes
- Illuminated volumen = 2.84 L
- Flowrate = 1 – 54 L/min
- Maximum contact time = 2.84 minutes

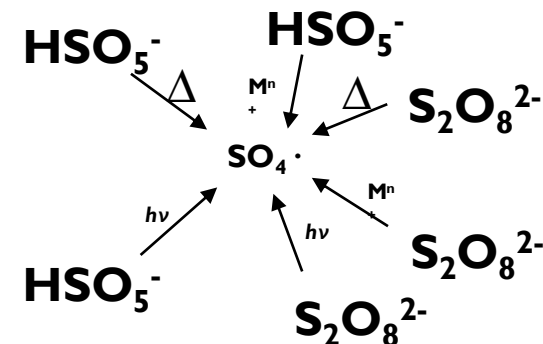
Advanced Oxidation Processes

HR-AOPs



Oxidation Potential (V)								
F ₂	·OH	SO ₄ ·	O at.	O ₃	H ₂ O ₂	MnO ₄ ²⁻	Cl ₂	ClO ₂
3.03	2.80	2.60	2.42	2.07	1.76	1.67	1.36	1.15

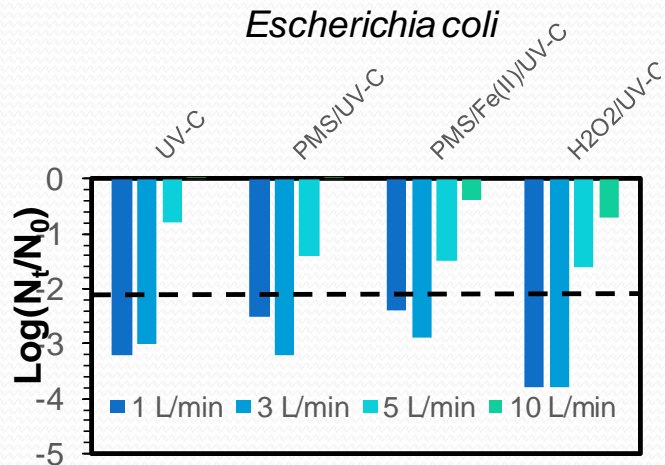
SR-AOPs



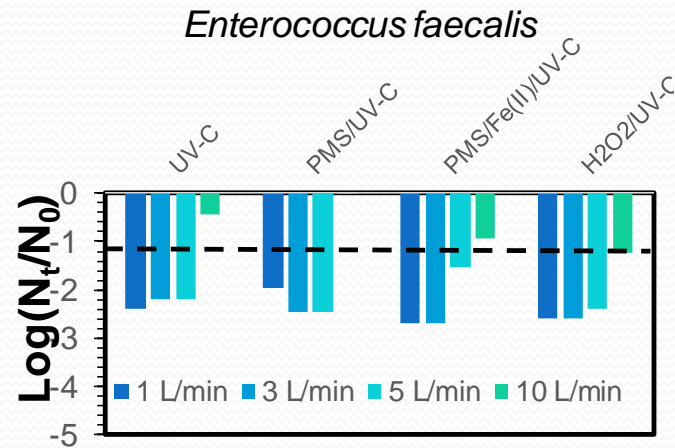
Disinfection & CEC Removal: UV-C Pilot Plant + Real WW



Escherichia coli

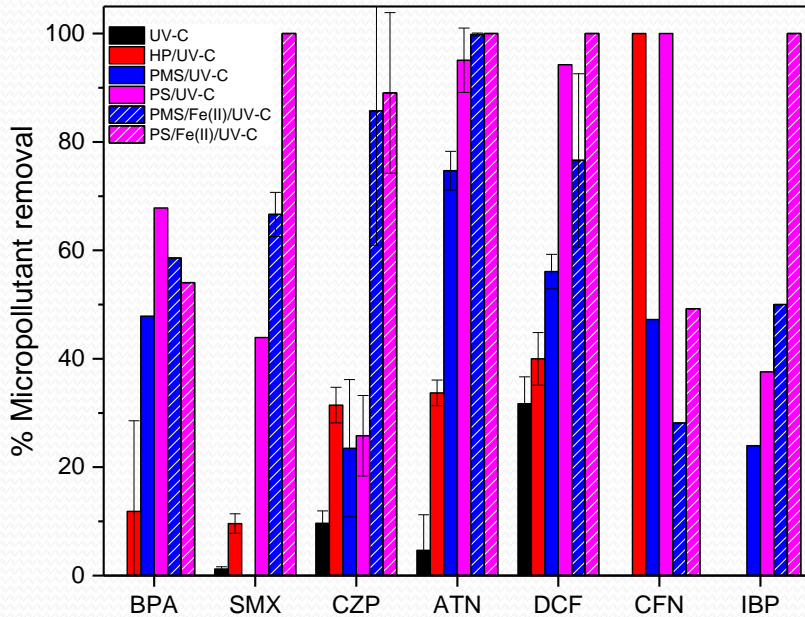


Enterococcus faecalis

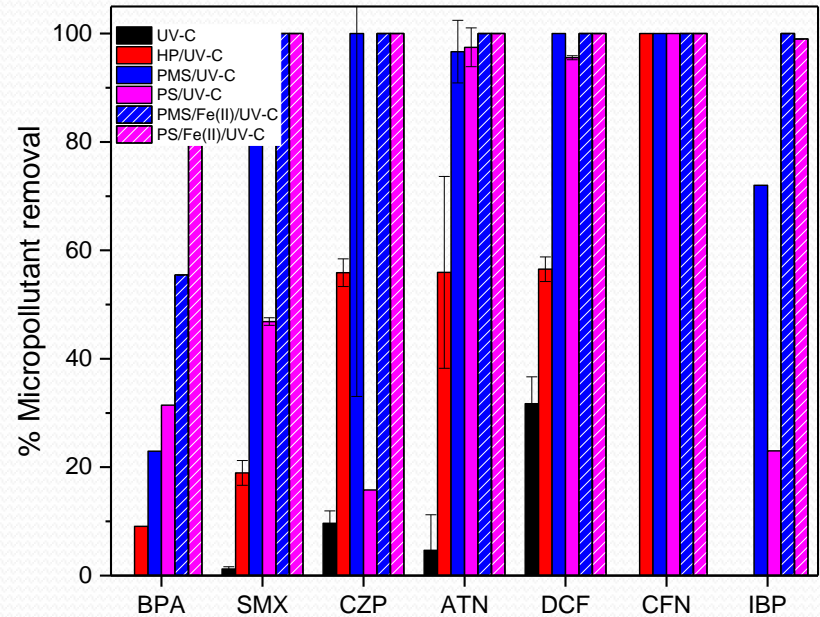


Disinfection & CEC Removal: UV-C Pilot Plant + Real WW

[Oxidant] = [Fe(II)] = 0.5 mM



[Oxidant] = [Fe(II)] = 5 mM



Intermediates

Carbamazepine ($t_R=21.82$ min; 42.8 ± 36.9 $\mu\text{g/L}$)

Number of TPs vs treatments:

HP/UV-C=5

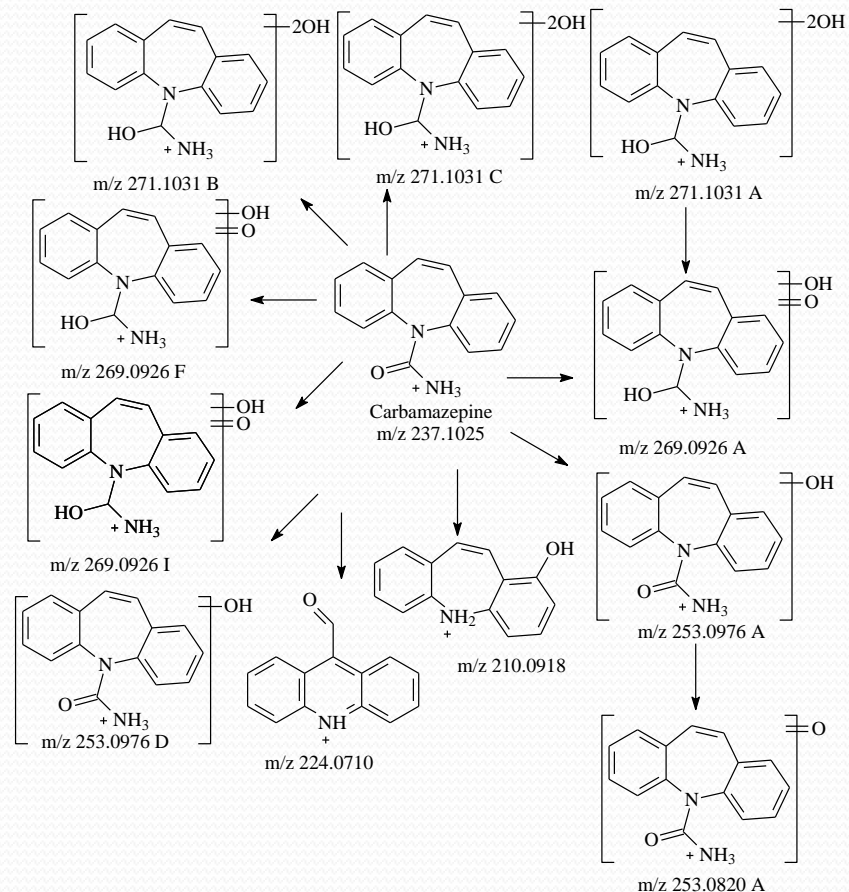
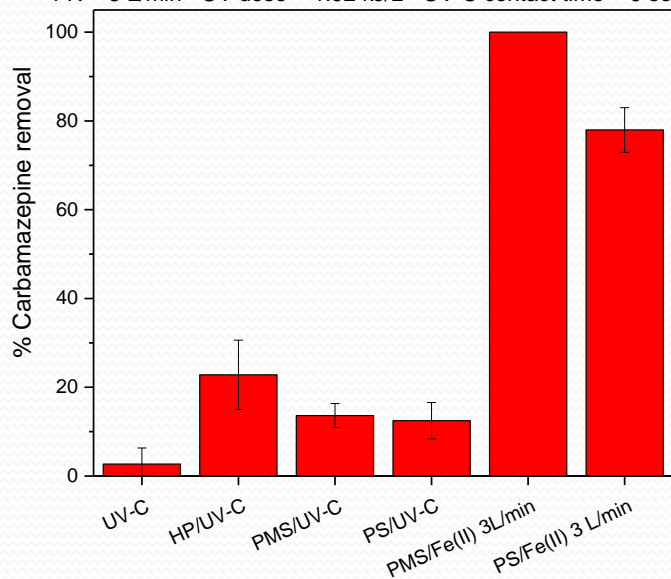
PMS/UV-C=2

PS/UV-C=5+2

PMS/Fe(II)/UV-C=3

PS/Fe(II)/UV-C=2+1+2

FR = 3 L/min - UV dose = 1.92 kJ/L - UV-C contact time = 9 sec



Disinfection & CEC Removal: UV-C Full Scale Plant WWTP

Full Scale UV-C Reactor: **2 campaigns**



- 36,000 m³/day
- 270,000 PE
- Biotreatment:
Activated
sludge
- UV tertiary
treatment

Disinfection & CEC Removal: UV-C Full Scale Plant WWTP



Estiviel WWTP

Location: Toledo

Population equivalent: 270,000 PE

Design flow: 36,000 m³/day

Influent: Urban WW

Biological process: Activated sludge

Effluent discharge: Tajo River

Tertiary treatment: 270 m³/day (irrigation and internal industrial use)

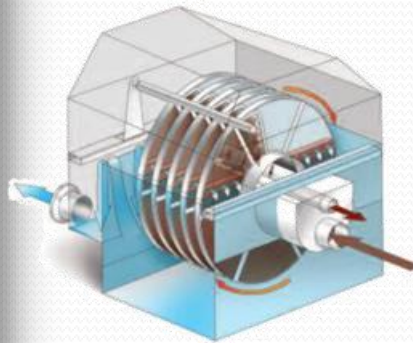
Coagulation/Flocculation – Sedimentation – Microfiltration (discs) – UV

Influent:

COD = 820 mg/l

BOD₅ = 450 mg/l

SS = 490 mg/l



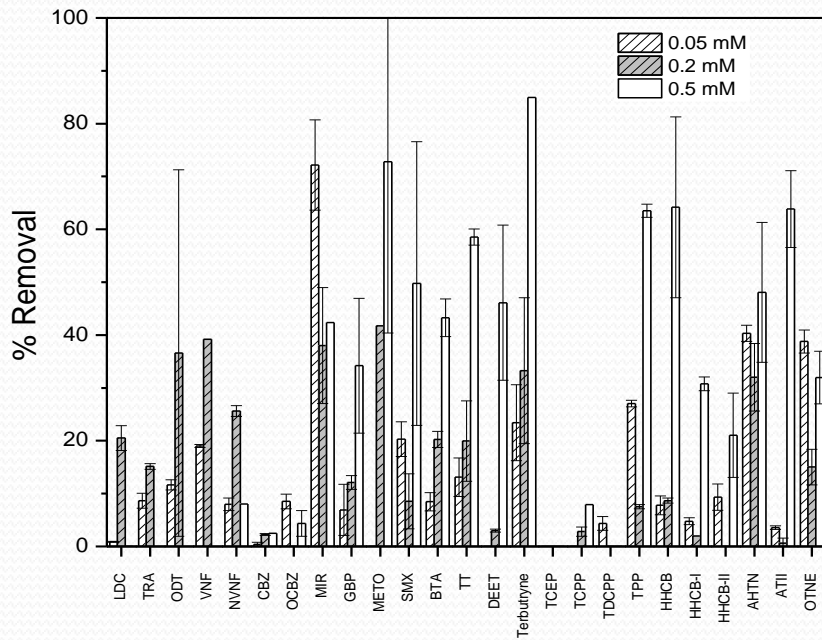
Microfiltration (8 discs) (10 µm)



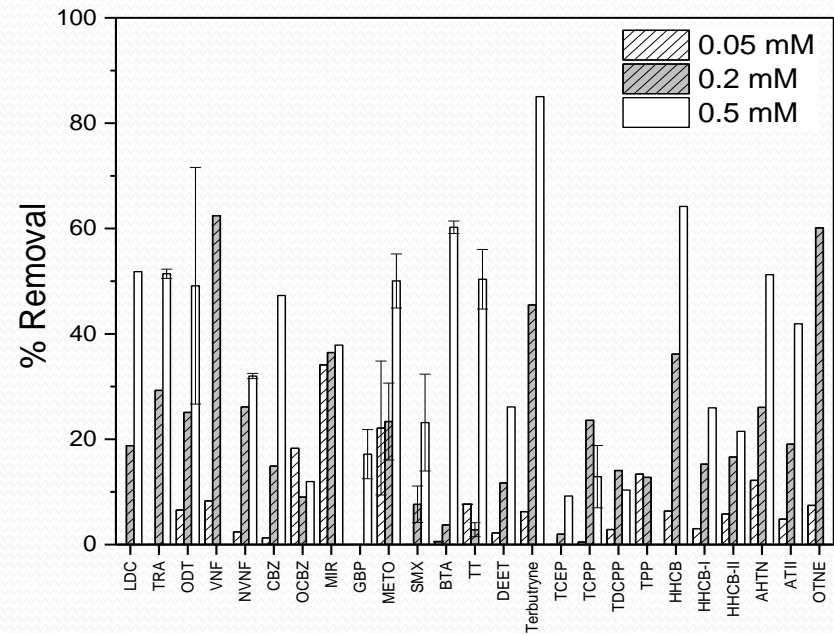
UV reactor (16 lamps)

Disinfection & CEC Removal: UV-C Full Scale Plant WWTP

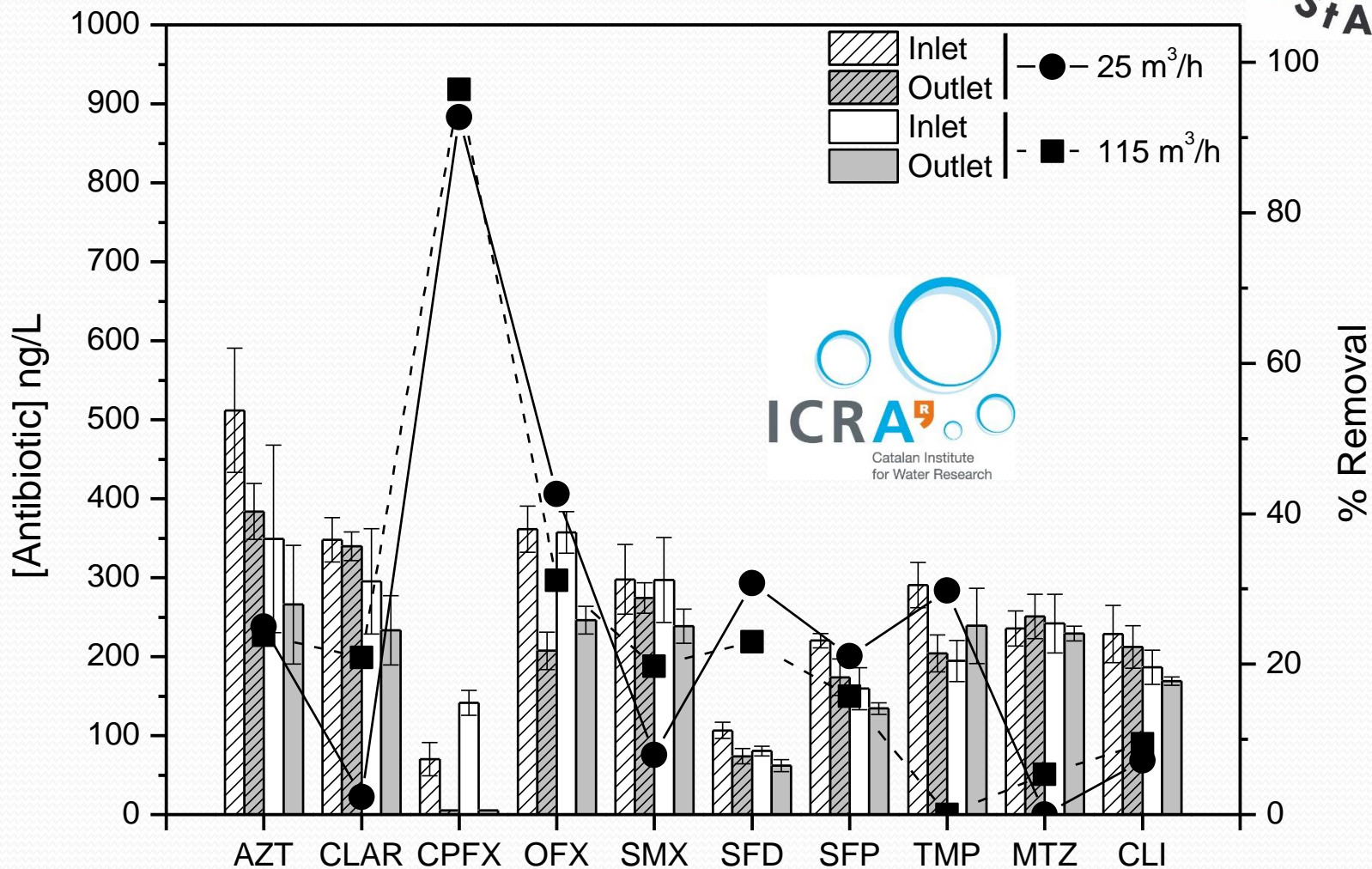
PMS/Fe(II)/UV-C treatment



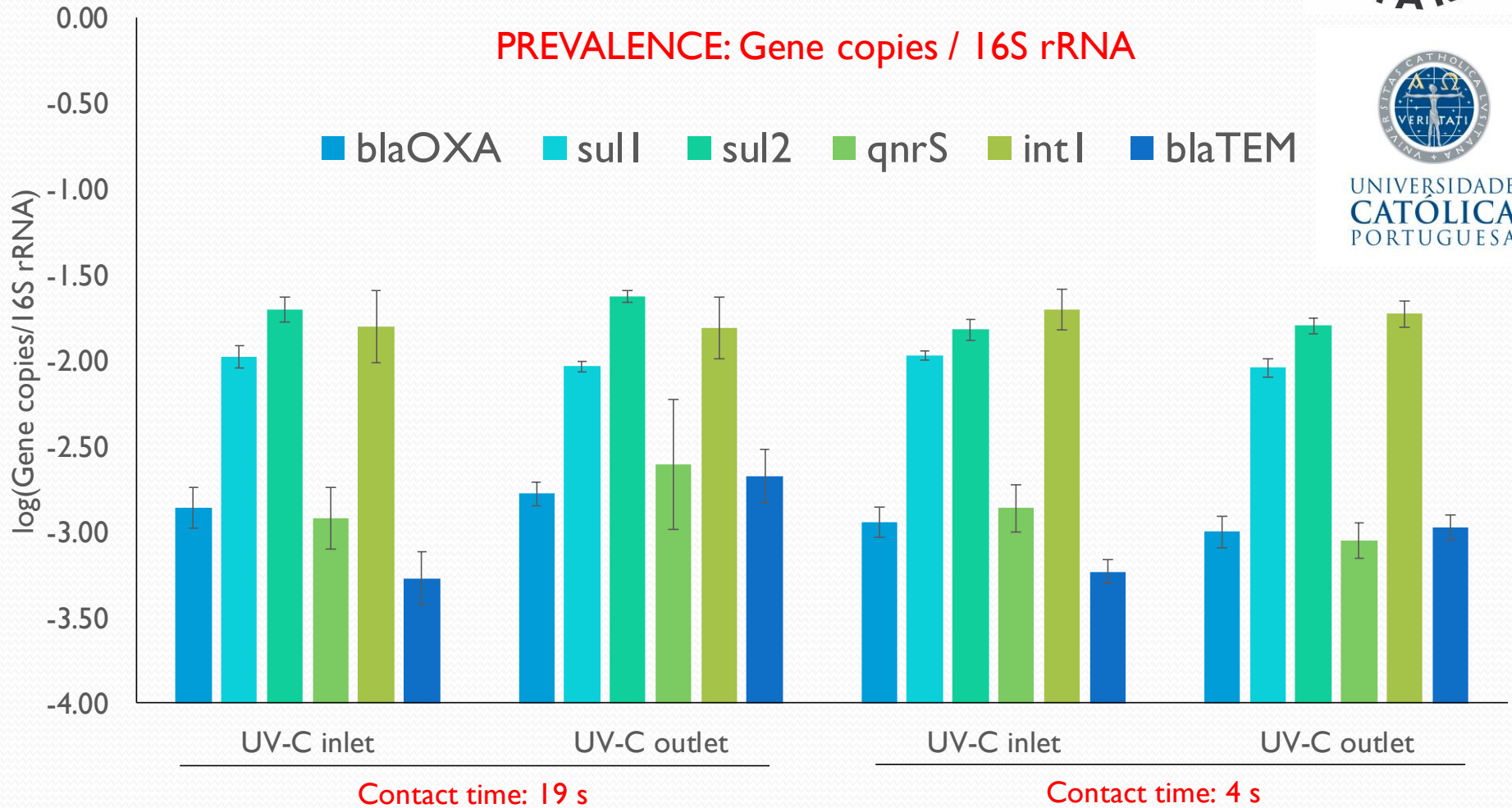
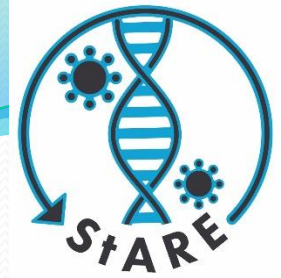
PS/Fe(II)/UV-C treatment



Removal of antibiotics



Removal of antibiotic resistance genes



Preliminary Economic Evaluation

Table 2
Economical estimation of operating cost of proposed oxidation treatments in the tertiary step.

UV-C contact time (s)	[Reagents]	UV-C**			H ₂ O ₂ /UV-C			PMS/UV-C			PS/UV-C		
		€/m ³	% Removal	€/m ³ ·order	€/m ³	% Removal	€/m ³ ·order	€/m ³	% Removal	€/m ³ ·order	€/m ³	% Removal	€/m ³ ·order
18	0.05				0.017	18	0.189	0.072	20	0.727	0.022	4	1.24
18	0.2				0.023	26	0.179	0.243	29	1.65	0.045	11	0.919
18	0.5	0.012	13	0.200	0.035	55	0.102	0.585	48	2.03	0.090	10	2.00
7	0.5	0.004	8	0.120	0.026	31	0.164	0.576	25	4.71	0.081	5	3.32
4	0.5	0.003	4	0.153	0.025	14	0.365	0.574	12	10.6	0.079	3	6.05

*H₂O₂, PMS and PS.

**No reagents required.



Most demanding operating conditions: highest UV-C contact time and reagents dosages.

Collaboration, coordination and synergies

Collaboration, with complementary key roles in:

- Treatment technologies (URJC).
- Monitoring and control of WWTP (UST).
- Analytical methodologies (UH).
- Mechanistic and toxicological studies (UNITO).
- Full-scale applications (AQUALIA).
- Analytical equipment (BRUKER).

Synergistic collaborations among them, beyond their individual work in the project.

Coordination and organization of the project: all the milestone and deliverables have been successfully and effectively completed without unexpected issues. The number of project meetings was sufficient, as a fluid communication was always kept.

Vast amount of samples from URJC and AQUALIA to UST, UH and UNITO



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Identified problems or specific risks

The multidisciplinary work is somewhat missing, and should be considerably strengthened. This will be especially important in the future success of this project as several deliveries in the last part of the project will depend on strong collaborations at a multidisciplinary approach. I did not identify specific risks.

RECOMMENDATIONS

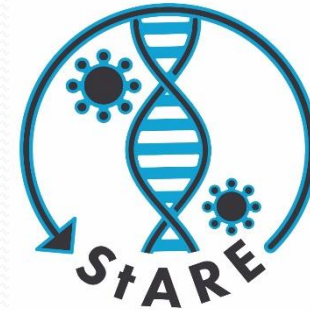
How to improve project scientifically?

As mentioned above, collaboration through a multidisciplinary approach will be crucial to improve scientifically. This said, the quality of the published papers holds a very high quality and reports important findings. No specific recommendations. Indicate if there is more cooperation with other JPI projects. If not present perhaps it can be more intensified.

How to advance the impact of the project?

There already seems to be a good impact from this project as several high quality papers have been published. However, to advance further the impact even a broader and larger number of possible stakeholders should actively be involved in the project (e.g. through spin-off projects). More mobility. I see nothing on costs of new technologies.

Collaboration between projects



Collaboration between MOTREM and STARE to explore the synergistic expertise developed in both projects.

Estiviel WWTP (**AQUALIA**, Toledo, Spain) + **URJC**
Antibiotics (**ICRA**) + Antibiotic Resistences (**UCP**)



Mobility

Consortium meetings, conferences, workshops, training courses and other events attended: 14 mobility actions + 80 conferences.

- Macarena San Martín (**UST**) and María José Martín de Vidales (**URJC**) at the facilities of **AQUALIA** in Estiviel WWTP (Toledo, Spain) for extensive on-week monitoring campaign of the plant in order to have a background of the plant behaviour before implementation of new technologies.
- Riikka-Juulia Lepistö (**UH**) did a short stay in **URJC** labs in order to implement the required sample treatment and analytical methodologies
- Irene Fiore (**UNITO**) did a 3-month research stay in **URJC** focused on the development and testing of new photocatalytic materials.
- 3 **URJC** researchers (Jorge Rodríguez, Carmen García, Victoria Romeral) and one researcher from **ICRA** (Saulo Varela) to **AQUALIA** Estiviel WWTP for 2 weeks.
- Jorge Rodríguez (**URJC**) did a short stay in **ICRA** to assist on the analysis of the huge amount of samples collected from the WWTP.

Infrastructures

URJC: Rotating **biological contactors**, Materials synthesis and characterization equipment (XRD, XRF, SEM, TEM, DR-UV-Vis, ICP-OES), **UV photochemical reactors**, **Pilot WWTP** Technological Support Centre at URJC, **Water analytical laboratory (LAGUA)** of URJC: Physicochemical & Microbiological analysis.

UST: **WWTP** for Education and Research (LFKW, ISWA), municipal **WWTP** of Herbolzheim (Germany). Analytical equipment DOC, TOC, metals, etc and **GC-MS, LC-MS-MS and ICP-MS**.

UH: Waters LCT Premier XE **LC-TOF-MS**, Waters GCT Premier **GC-TOF-MS**, Shimadzu QP2010 **Ultra GC-MS**.

UNITO: **ICP-AES, GC-QTOF-MS, HPLC-MS** (LTQ- Orbitrap, QqQ and QTrap analysers), TOC, HPLC UV-vis and fluorescence detectors, an ion chromatograph and a **Microtox** device.

AQUALIA: Real scale **WWTP** facilities were provided by AQUALIA (Mérida, Tortosa, Benquerencia and Estiviel WWTPs). The full-scale experiments on a UV-C reactor (16 UV-C lamps, WEDECO ELR-30-1; 330 W) and flow rates of 11, 4, 75 and 28 m³/h, (4 – 18 s of UV contact time).

BRUKER: Applications Development Laboratory located in Madrid, **UHPLC-ESI-Q-TOF**, Bruker Maxis; **UHPLC-ESI-IT**, Bruker Amazon Ion Trap; **UHPLC(OLE)-ESI-TQ**, Bruker EVOQ; and **GC-MS-MS** Triple Quad, Bruker SCION.



Stakeholder/industry engagement

WP4 Dissemination and Exploitation of Project Outcome

Task 4.1 Public and industrial engagement

Objective: To disseminate project results and techniques as widely as possible to scientists, general stakeholders, end-users and public.

- Stakeholders identification (target market, regulatory authorities, environmental agencies, etc.) to transfer the knowledge developed by MOTREM consortium. **Questionnaires** from stakeholders
- Spread and distribution of knowledge: **Publications and Dissemination activities**
- Social networks and Website.
- Open international workshop: **23-24 November 2017** (speakers from universities, companies, research centers). Invitation to funding agencies and regulatory agents.
- Training Workshop. **On Friday 24th Nov at BRUKER**

Task 4.3 Prospecting plan

- Preliminary study of existing technologies in market



Stakeholder/industry engagement

Questionnaire for stakeholders

motrem MOTREM Project - Integrated processes for monitoring and treatment of emerging contaminants for water reuse

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Stakeholder questionnaire

Country: _____ Organization: _____
Position: _____

MOTREM Project aims to provide new technologies for water treatment and/or improving the existing ones through the development of integrated processes for monitoring and treatment of emerging contaminants (ECs) in the current waterline of municipal wastewater treatment plants, especially focusing on the aspect of water reuse.

Your opinion is important in order to know your point of view concerning the future outcomes of the project. Please, fill in the following questionnaire:

1. How interesting do you find this project for your organization?

Uninteresting

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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 Vary interesting

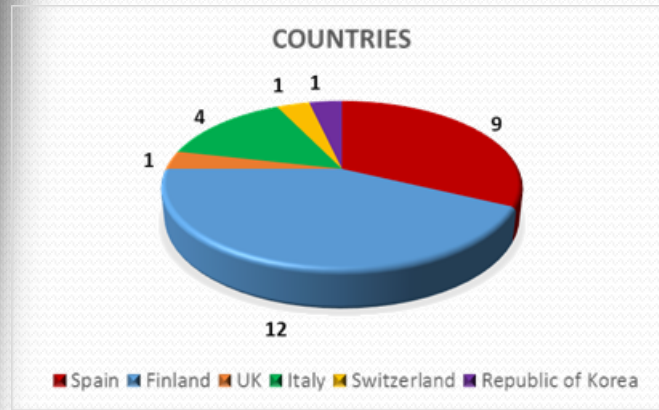
2. Your interest in the project would be mainly focused on...

New treatment processes for EC removal EC regulation limits (policy)
 New monitoring strategies including EC Other _____

3. Please, tick the contaminants you consider important to receive special attention for its monitoring and treatment in the wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs):

<input type="checkbox"/> Diclofenac	<input type="checkbox"/> HHCB-Lactone (Galaxolidone)	<input type="checkbox"/> Tris-chloroethyl-phosphate (TCER)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ibuprofen	<input type="checkbox"/> Triclosan	<input type="checkbox"/> Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
<input type="checkbox"/> Carbamazepine	<input type="checkbox"/> DEET	<input type="checkbox"/> Caffeine
<input type="checkbox"/> Sulfamethoxazole	<input type="checkbox"/> Terbutryn	<input type="checkbox"/> Sucralose
<input type="checkbox"/> Metoprolol	<input type="checkbox"/> Simazine	<input type="checkbox"/> Acesulfame K

- Interest in MOTREM project
 - Treatment, Monitoring, Regulation limits (policy)
- Most important ECs
- National/local legislation
 - Groundwater, Drinking water, Surface water Etc....



✓ 6 countries



- ✓ 9 universities
- ✓ 5 research centres
- ✓ 6 private enterprises
- ✓ 4 public entities

Stakeholder/industry engagement



FCC Aqualia, S.A. is the water management parent company of FCC, one of the largest European services groups. **Aqualia** is the first water management company in Spain, third largest private water company in Europe and sixth in the world, according to the latest ranking by the specialist publication, Global Water Intelligence, and serves 22.5 million users.

4 municipal WWTPs operated by AQUALIA:

- Mérida



- Tortosa



- Benquerencia

- Estiviel



Stakeholder/industry engagement

ESTIVIEL WWTP (TOLEDO)

Location: Toledo

Population equivalent: 270,000 PE

Design flow: 36,000 m³/day

Influent: Urban WW

Biological process: Activated sludge

Effluent discharge: Tajo River

Tertiary treatment: 270 m³/day (irrigation / internal industrial use) → Coagulation/Flocculation – Sedimentation – Microfiltration (discs) –

UV



Stakeholder/industry engagement



Applications Development
Laboratory
Chemical & Applied Markets

Provided with most of the last MS technologies from Bruker.

GC/MS/MS Scion™ Triple Quad (2 units)
LC/MS/MS Amazon™ SL Ion Trap (1 unit)
LC/MS/MS Q TOF Impact™ II (1 unit)
LC/MS/MS EVOQ™ Triple Quad (2 units)



Stakeholder/industry engagement

Other companies:

- **DeNora Industries**, a company with several research centres throughout the world and devoted to the development of adsorbent materials to be exploited in water treatment.
- **IRIS**, a micro-enterprise which has a patent application on an innovative AOP device. It develops plasma technology applications to liquid/solid waste treatment, aimed to improve technical and economic efficiency of small scale - on site treatments enabling no waste / zero carbon footprint processes.
- **SMAT**, a large company dedicated to the management of the water cycle. SMAT manages the Integrated Water Service production and distribution of drinking water and waste water in the province of Turin.

Impact and Knowledge Output

Technical impacts:

- New **analytical methods** and protocols for MP.
- Reliable **indicator and surrogate parameters** for MP removal.
- Full scale WWTP tests of **technologies for MP removal** with cost analysis.

Societal impacts:

- Improvement in the wastewater treatment processes
- Assessment of the impact in recipient water bodies.
- Relevant information to set the basis of regulation of the discharges of CECs.
- Wastewater processes may also offer business opportunities to companies.

Impact and Knowledge Output

Local impacts:

- **Estiviel WWTP in Toledo:** influence the **WWTP staff** and the **local authorities** who were not aware of this environmental problem before the project.
- Public and private clients belonging to the third-party funding agencies of the **ISWA**, accept the necessity of adapted monitoring strategies and consider the requirements on appropriate sampling and monitoring strategies. Spillovers of the project tasks are passed on to **stakeholders at the executive level of German Federal states**, where UST is involved in WWTP monitoring programs.

Impact and Knowledge Output

Academic impacts:

- **Lectures** in master courses of the academic partners of MOTREM: UST German lectures for “**Environmental protection technology**”, English lectures of the international programs “**Air Quality Control, Solid Waste and Waste Water Process Engineering (WASTE, UST)**” and “**Water Resources Engineering and Management (WAREM, UST)**”.
- **More than 40 graduate and post-graduate** students have developed their bachelor, master and PhD thesis in the framework of MOTREM project activities. Here, the results of the project have already reached a large group of international and multidisciplinary working **future engineers**.

Impact and Knowledge Output

- Publications

- International

- Peer-reviewed journals JCR: **41**
(25 published + 10 submitted + 6 in preparation)

- Communications in conferences: **67**

- National

- Communications in conferences: **12**
(Spain, Germany, Finland, Italy)

- Dissemination & Popularization: 10

(1 Article + 5 conferences + 4 media appearances)

Events were **administration representatives** or **general public** were present



FuturEnviro,
Nov 2015

PROYECTO MOTREM: NUEVAS TECNOLOGÍAS PARA LA MONITORIZACIÓN Y TRATAMIENTO DE CONTAMINANTES EMERGENTES

El desarrollo de nuevas tecnologías para la monitorización y tratamiento de contaminantes emergentes es un reto que requiere de un enfoque multidisciplinar y de la colaboración de expertos de diferentes disciplinas. El proyecto MOTREM, financiado por el Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, reúne a expertos de diferentes disciplinas para abordar este reto.

Water quality is currently threatened by new emerging contaminants (ECs) that could affect the aquatic ecosystem, physical processes of living organisms and human health. One of these pollutants is pharmaceuticals and hormones coming from farms, fish farms, veterinary activities, hospitals and even domestic consumption that are detected at trace levels (ng/L). In surface waters and wastewater, confirming that removal efficiency of these ECs with conventional wastewater treatment processes is not complete. Therefore, the challenge is to develop efficient and cost-effective water bodies and the subsequent possibility of reusing groundwater and drinking water supplies. It is a major environmental and health issue that has to be urgently addressed.

Therefore, the development of new advanced technologies that can replace or improve conventional processes or be implemented as new processes (MOTREM) is necessary. Moreover, these technologies should be addressed to comply with the current legal framework for water reuse, deriving pressure on conventional water resources and responding to environmental and social problems like drought, climate change, population density, irrigation demands, costs of water and energy, etc.

The MOTREM project started in January 2014 with an estimated duration of 5 years. It is being coordinated by an European network of experts comprising the universities such as Rey Juan Carlos University, coordinator of the project, other universities such as Trinity College and Ulsan, and two Spanish companies like ECC Aguas, a water management consulting and engineering company.

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Therefore, the general objectives of the project are: 1) to develop new monitoring and notification of the current



Impact and Knowledge Output



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MOTREM Project

Integrated Processes for Monitoring and Treatment of Emerging Contaminants for Water Reuse (MOTREM)

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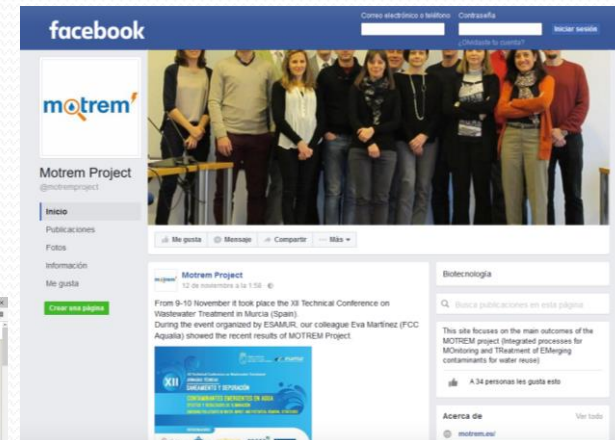
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