

# PLATAFORMA SOLAR DE ALMERÍA



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THE TECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS.



- 1. Central Receiver Technology
- 2. Parabolic-Trough Technology
- 3. Direct steam generation
- 4. Parabolic dishes + Stirling system
- 5. Solar Furnace (materials testing)
- 6. SOLAR PHOTOCATALYSIS
- 7. Solar desalination
- 8. Solar hydrogen & fuel production
- 9. Edifice materials testing



# *Optimizing AOPs treatment strategy*

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## Biodegradable substances:

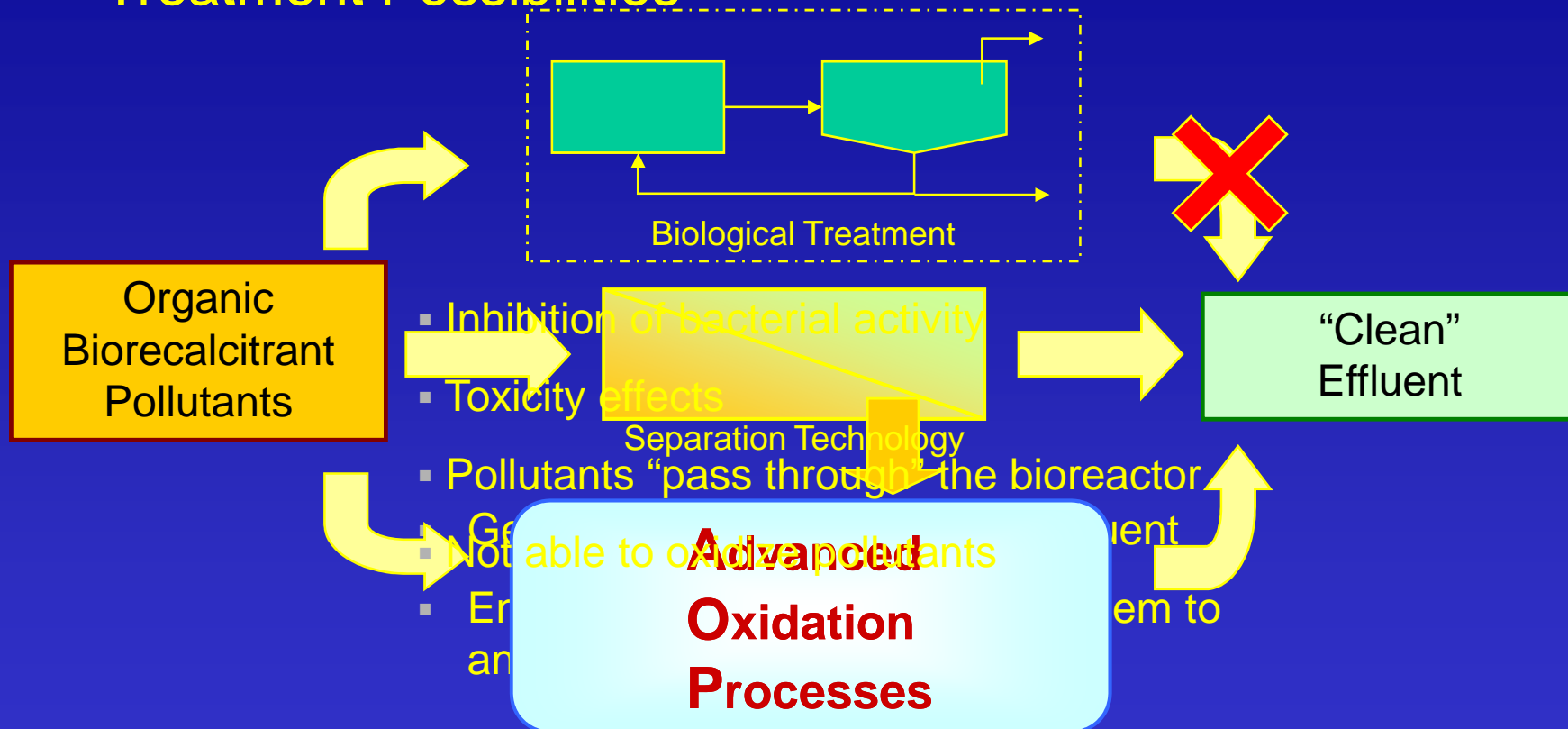
- Biofilter treatment/ activated sludge treatment

## Non-biodegradable substances can show

- Non-toxic / inert behaviour
- Acute toxicity
- Chronic toxicity



## Treatment Possibilities



Feasible for accelerating the oxidation and destruction of a wide range of organic contaminants in polluted water

**Advanced Oxidation Processes are a source of hydroxyl radicals ( $\cdot\text{OH}$ ).**

Especie	Oxidation Potential
Fluorine	2.23
<b>Hydroxyl radical</b>	<b>2.06</b>
Atomic Oxygen	1.78
Hydrogen Peroxide	1.31
Peroxyradical	1.25
Permanganate	1.24
Chlorine dioxide	1.15
Chlorine	1.00
Bromine	0.80
Iodine	0.54

*"near ambient temperature and pressure water treatment processes which involve the generation of hydroxyl radicals in sufficient quantity to effective water purification"*

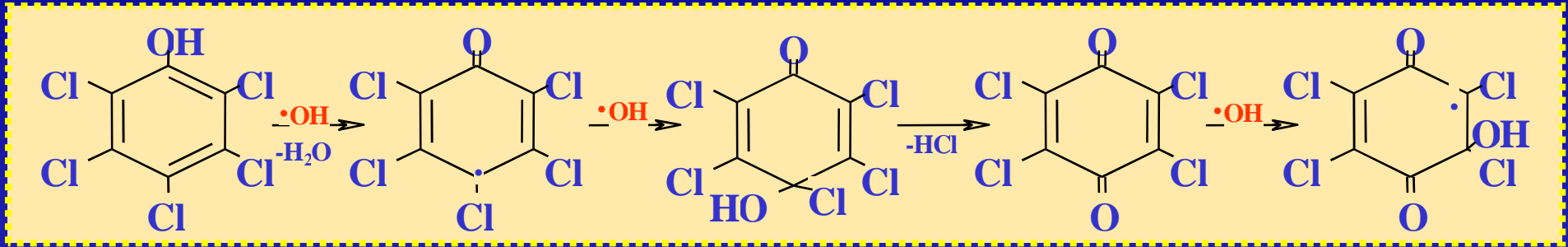
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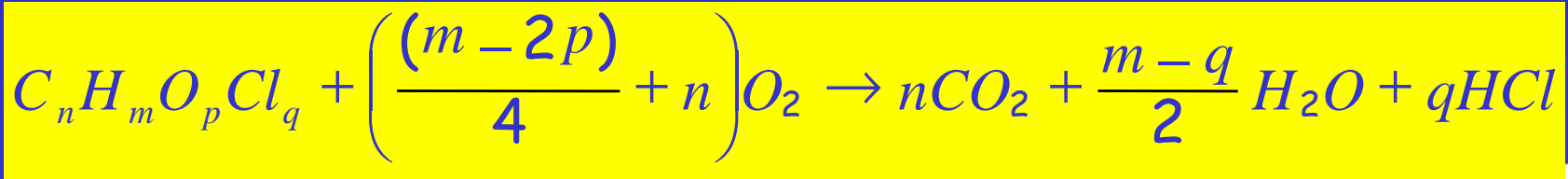
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**CO<sub>2</sub>**  
**Inorganic acids**  
**Water**





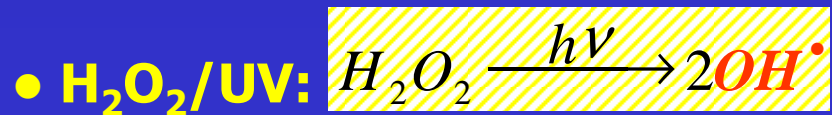
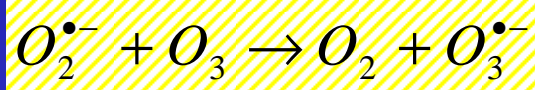
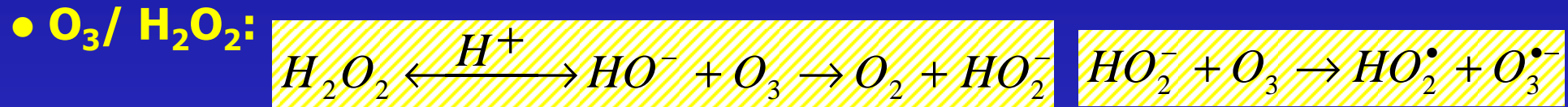
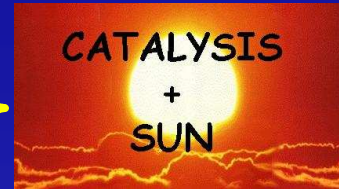
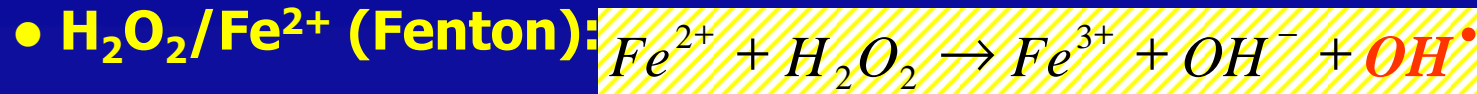
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## Photochemical AOPs

AOP	key reactions	wavelength
UV/ H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow 2 \text{OH}^\bullet$	$\lambda < 300 \text{ nm}$
UV/ O <sub>3</sub>	$\text{O}_3 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + \text{O} (^1\text{D})$ $\text{O} (^1\text{D}) + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 2 \text{OH}^\bullet$	$\lambda < 310 \text{ nm}$
UV/H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> / O <sub>3</sub>	$\text{O}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{O}_2 + \text{OH}^\bullet + \text{OH}_2^\bullet$	$\lambda < 310 \text{ nm}$
UV/ TiO <sub>2</sub>	$\text{TiO}_2 + h\nu \rightarrow \text{TiO}_2 (e^- + h^+)$ $\text{TiO}_2(h^+) + \text{OH}^-_{\text{ad}} \rightarrow \text{TiO}_2 + \text{OH}_{\text{ad}}^\bullet$	$\lambda < 390 \text{ nm}$
photo-Fenton	$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{Fe}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{OH}^\bullet + \text{OH}^-$ $\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + h\nu \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^\bullet$	$\lambda < 580 \text{ nm}$

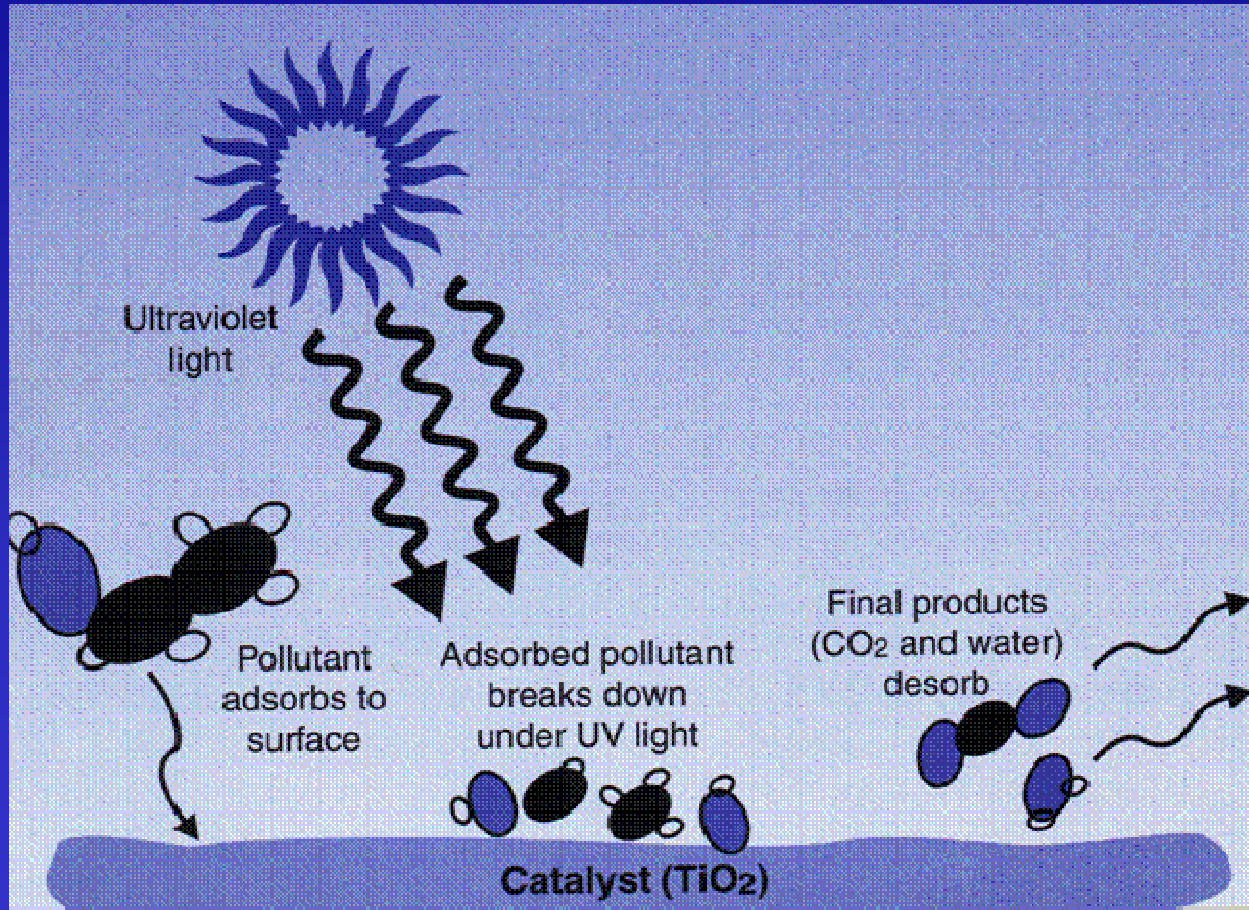
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- The process takes place at ambient temperature.
- Oxidation of the substances into CO<sub>2</sub> is complete.
- The oxygen necessary for the reaction is obtained from the atmosphere.
- The catalyst is cheap, innocuous and can be reused.
- The catalyst can be attached to different types of inert matrices.

# Photo-Fenton



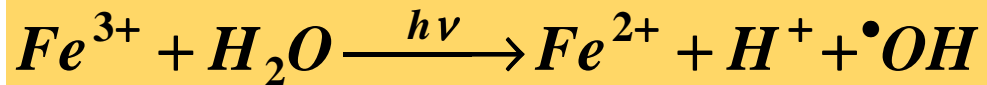
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## Photo-Fenton method

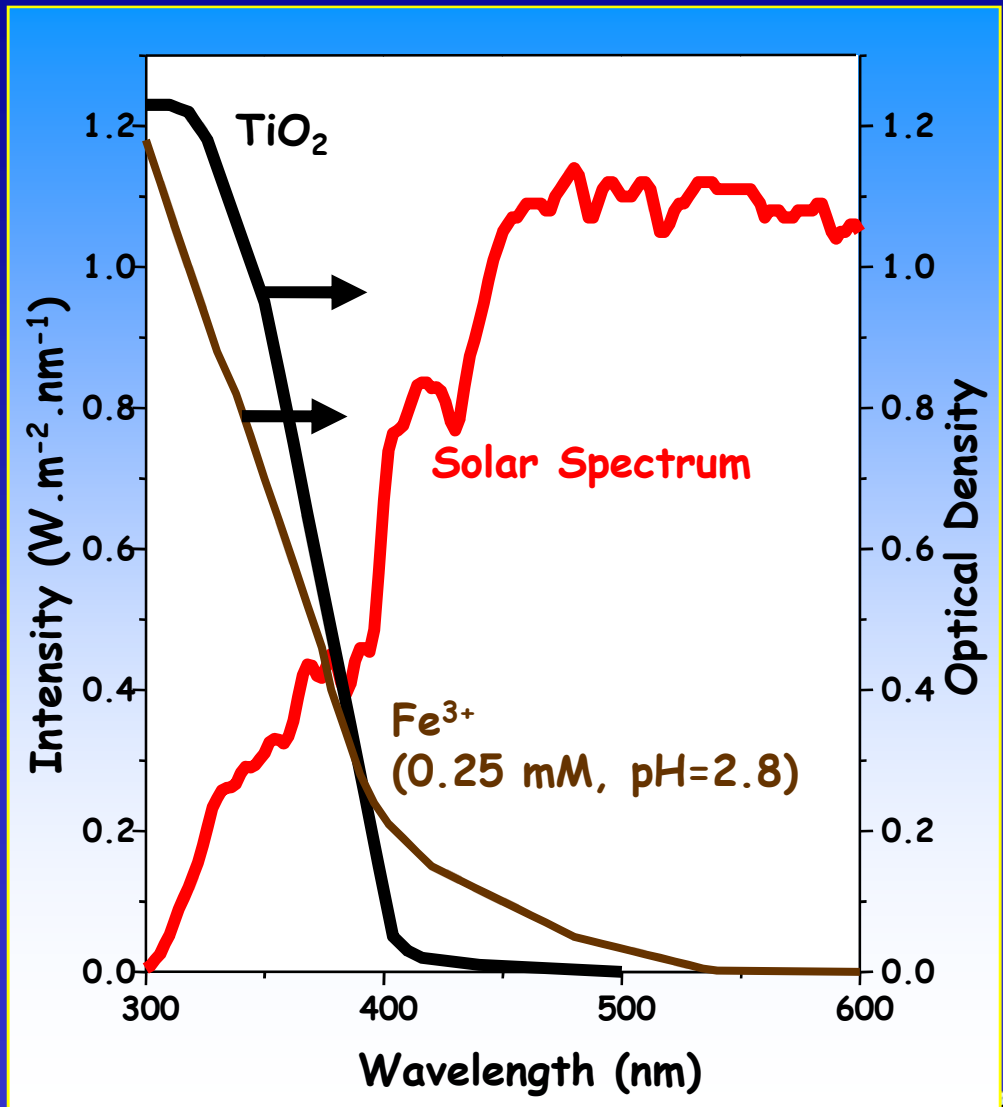


## Advantages

- High reaction rates
- Cheap, non-toxic reagents (Fe, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, acid, base)

## Disadvantages

- pH adjustment necessary
- Iron removal necessary





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The SOLARDETOX Consortium (Brite-Euram III Program, Contract No. BRPR-CT97-0424) has installed during 1999 the **first European Solar Detoxification Plant**. Main plant characteristics are:

- CPC surface: 100 m<sup>2</sup>
- Treatment volume: 800 L.
- Batch Operation
- Automatic operation
- cost of the plant: 100000 €

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- **Phenols, nitrophenols and halophenols.**
- **Pharmaceutical compounds (antibiotics, disinfectants...).**
- **Water disinfection.**
- **Gasoline additives (MTBE, ETBE,..).**
- **Chlorinated hydrocarbons (solvents, VOCs, etc).**
- **Residues from textile industry (dyes).**
- **Agrochemical wastes (pesticides).**



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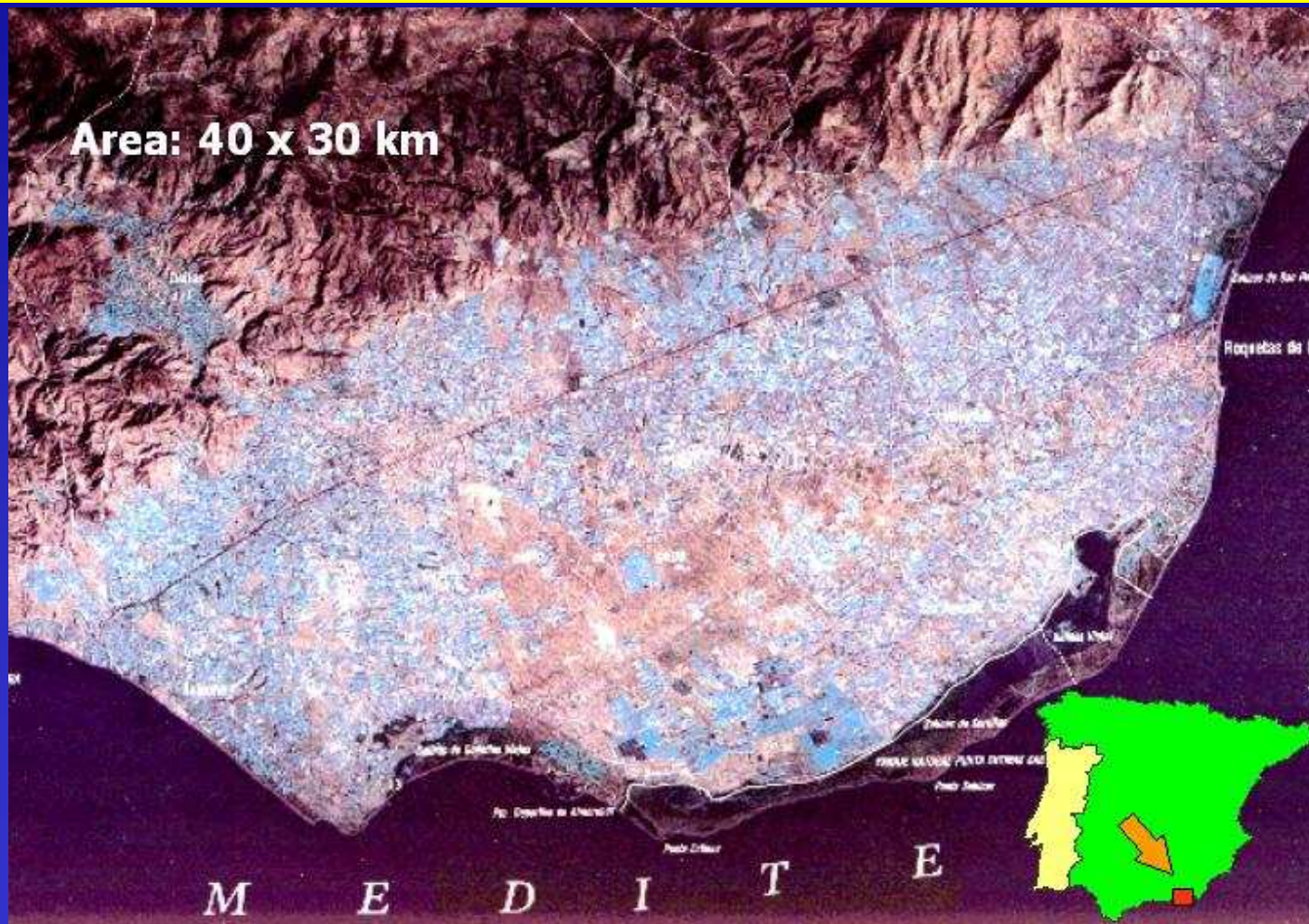
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The intensive agriculture activity is a very important economical sector in Almería. There are more than 350 km<sup>2</sup> of greenhouses.



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These greenhouses yearly consume 5.200 tons of phytosanitary products (1.5 million of bottles; 1.9 L average volume).

A process has been designed to recycle the plastic of these bottles. The recycling process needs a washing of the plastic. This produces a water with hundreds of mg/L of persistent toxic compounds.

**Proposed Solution : *Solar Photocatalytic Treatment***

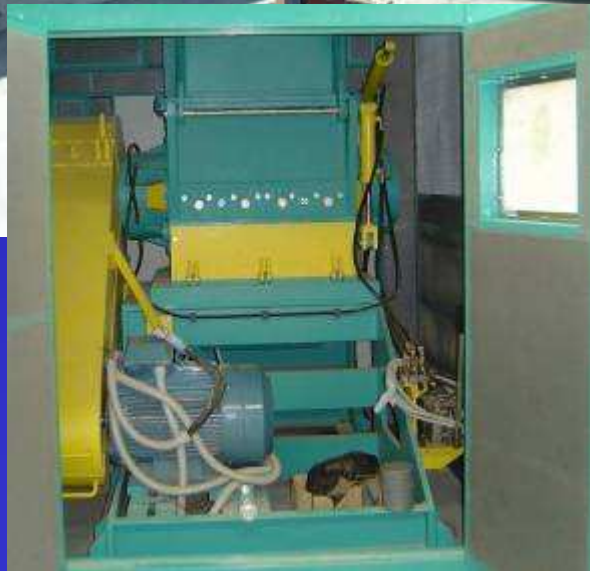
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## Solar field figures:

- a) Individual CPC modules formed by **20 parallel tubes** (surface: **2.7 m<sup>2</sup>/module**)
- b) 4 parallel rows with **14 modules** each mounted on a 37°-tilted platform (local latitude)
- c) total collectors surface: **150 m<sup>2</sup>**
- d) Total photoreactor volume: **1061 L**
- e) Total volume per batch: **1500 to 2000 L**



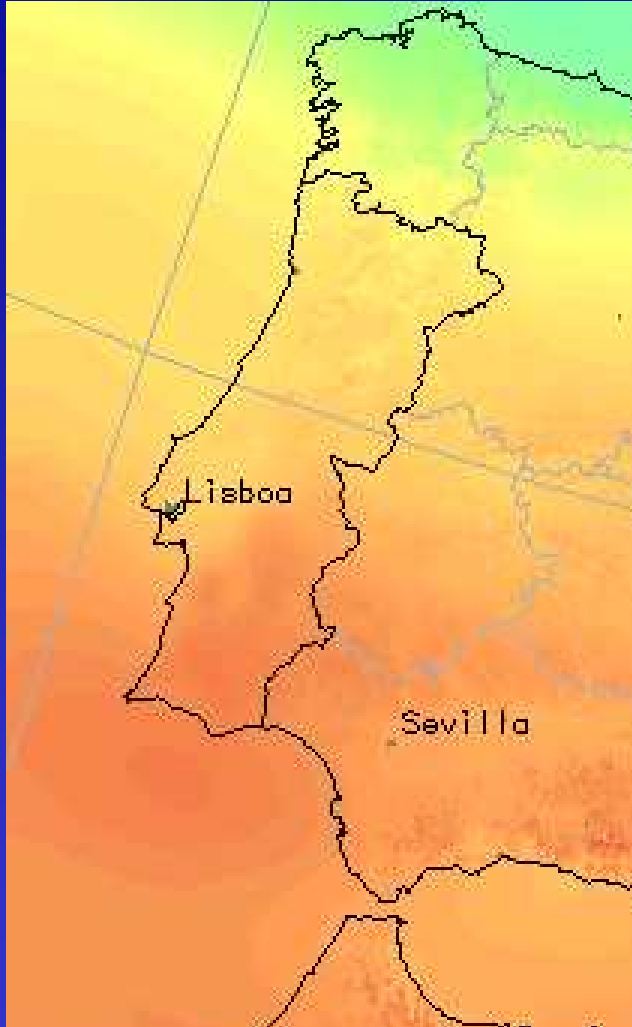
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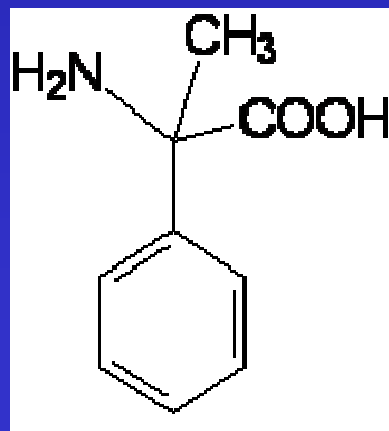
**Installed at DSM-DERETIL  
Villaricos (ALMERIA)**



## Pharmaceutical WW

### Composition of wastewater (seawater) containing Femac ( $\alpha$ -methylphenilglycine, $C_9H_{11}NO_2$ )

	mg L <sup>-1</sup>		mg L <sup>-1</sup>		mg L <sup>-1</sup>
Femac	500-600	Susp. solids	20-100	COD	1500-1800
TOC	400-500	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0-40	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	200-600



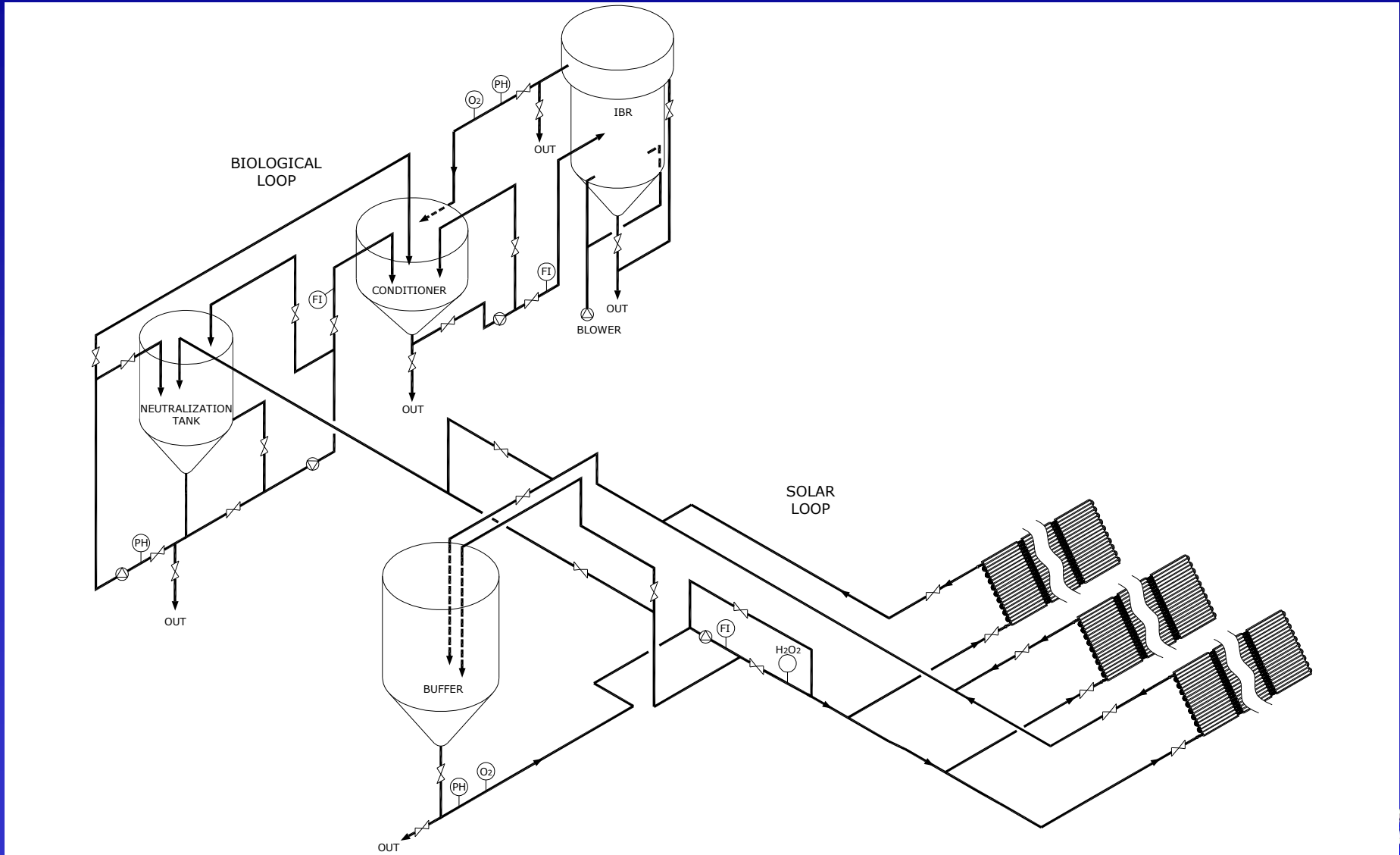
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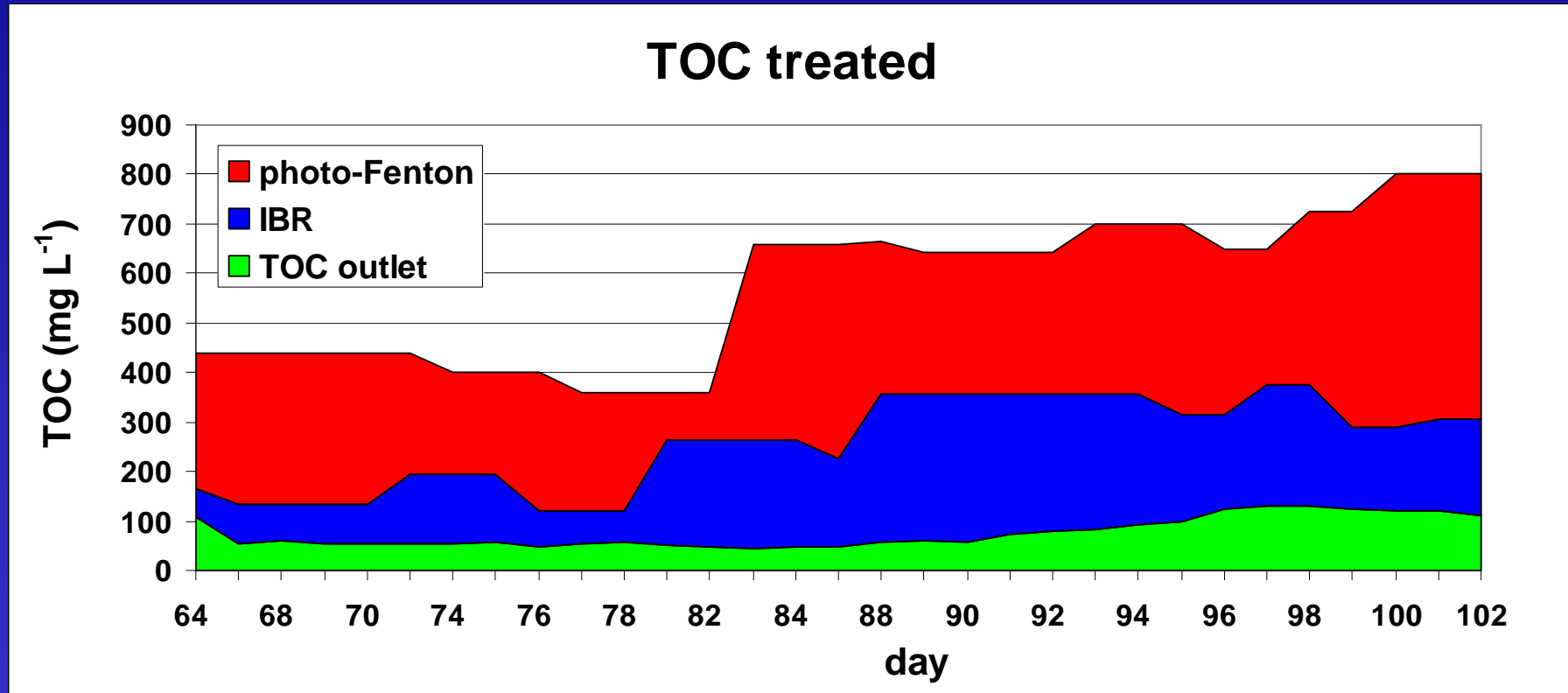
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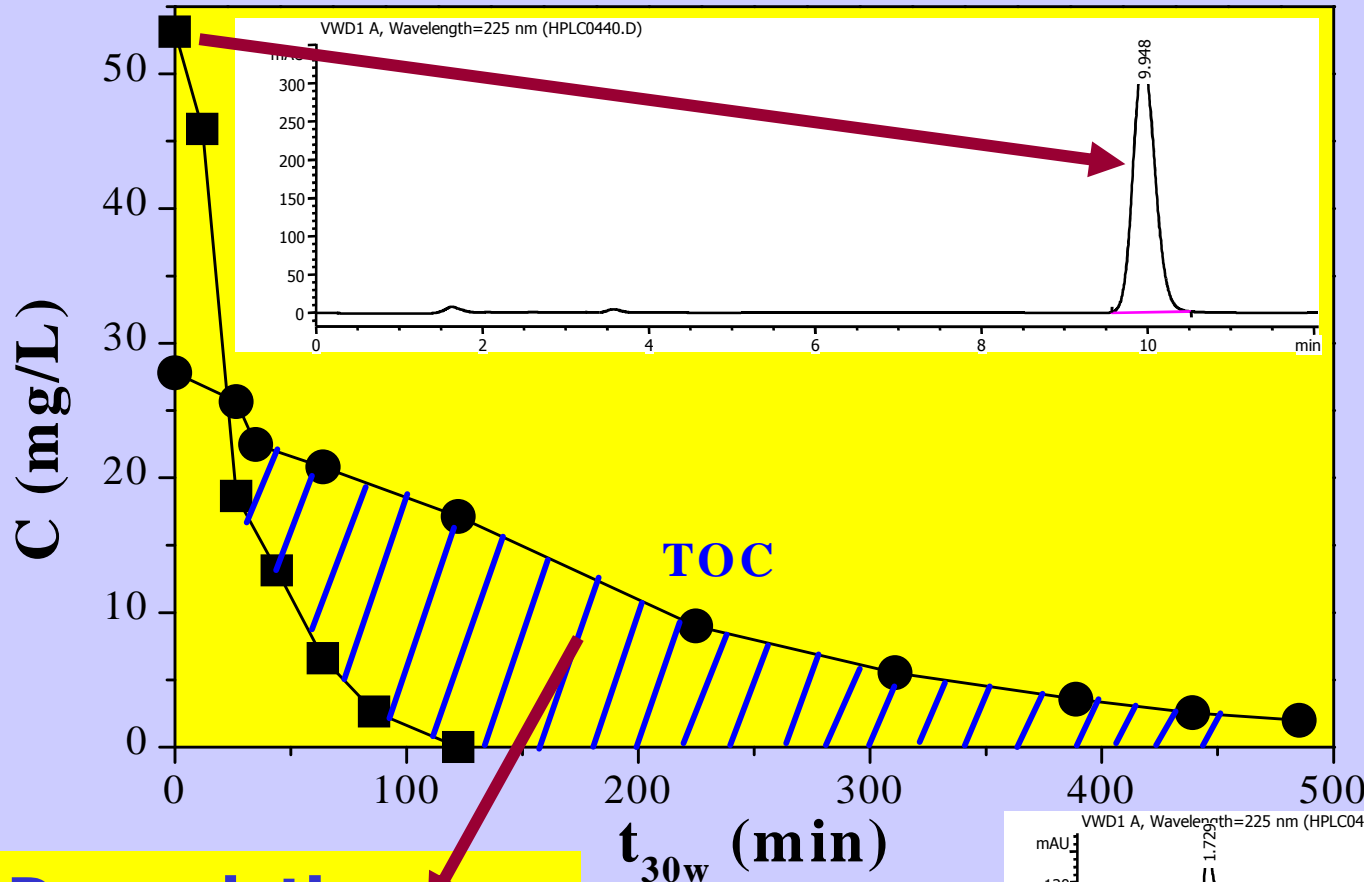
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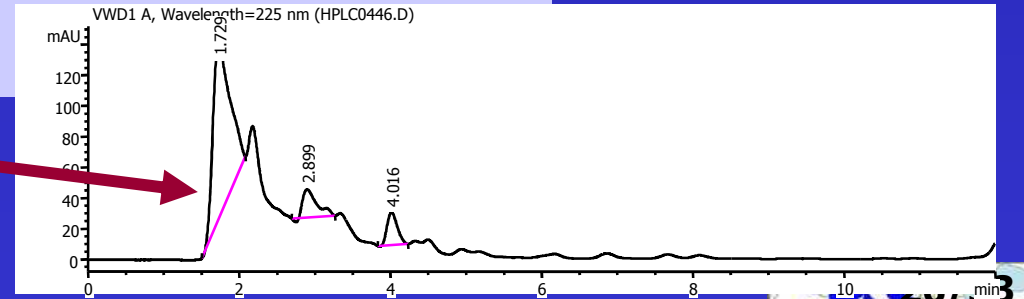
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**Degradation products (DPs)**





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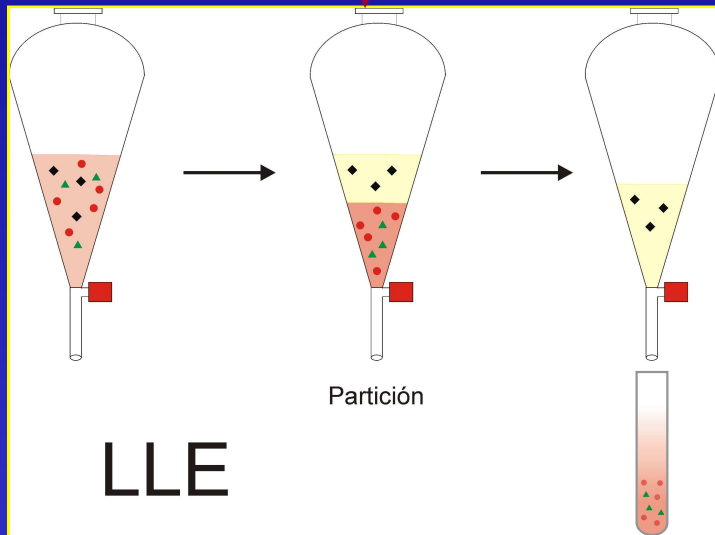
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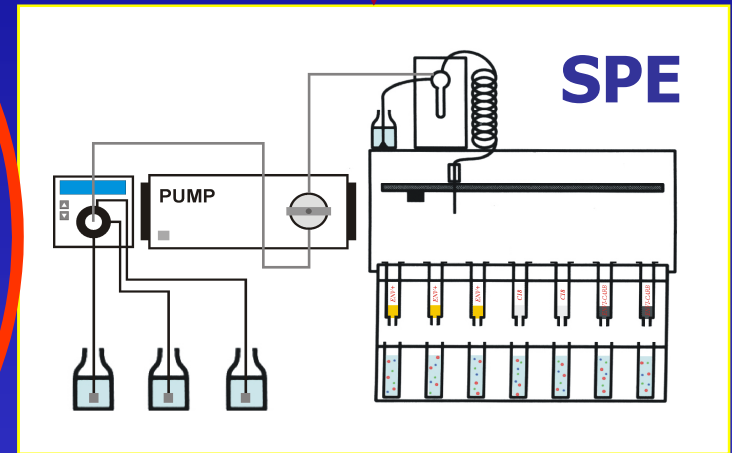
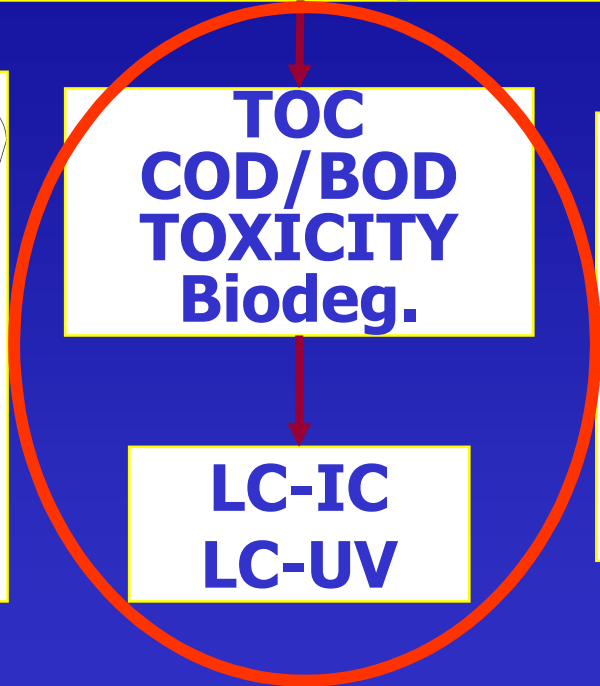
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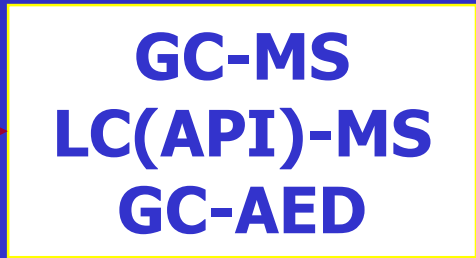
**Sample from WW treatment by AOPs**



**L-L extraction**



**S-L Extraction**



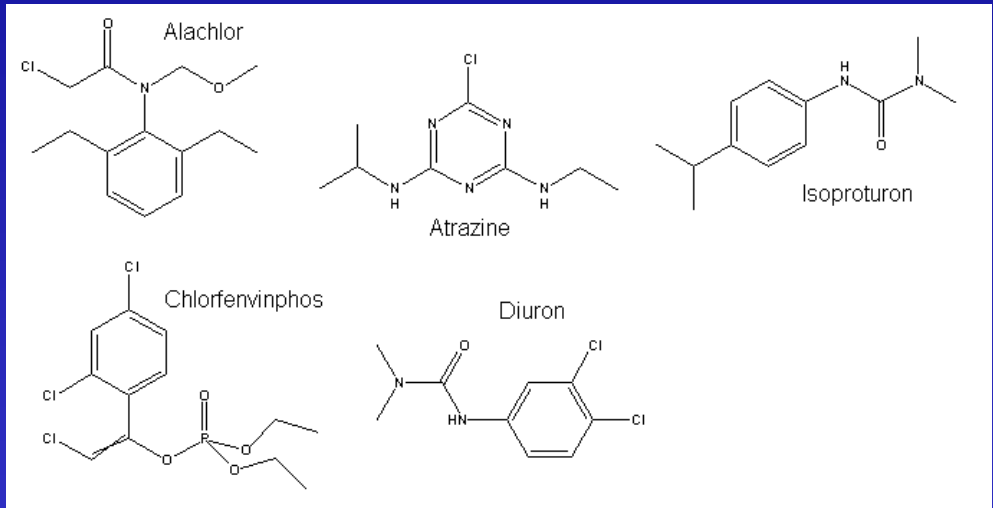
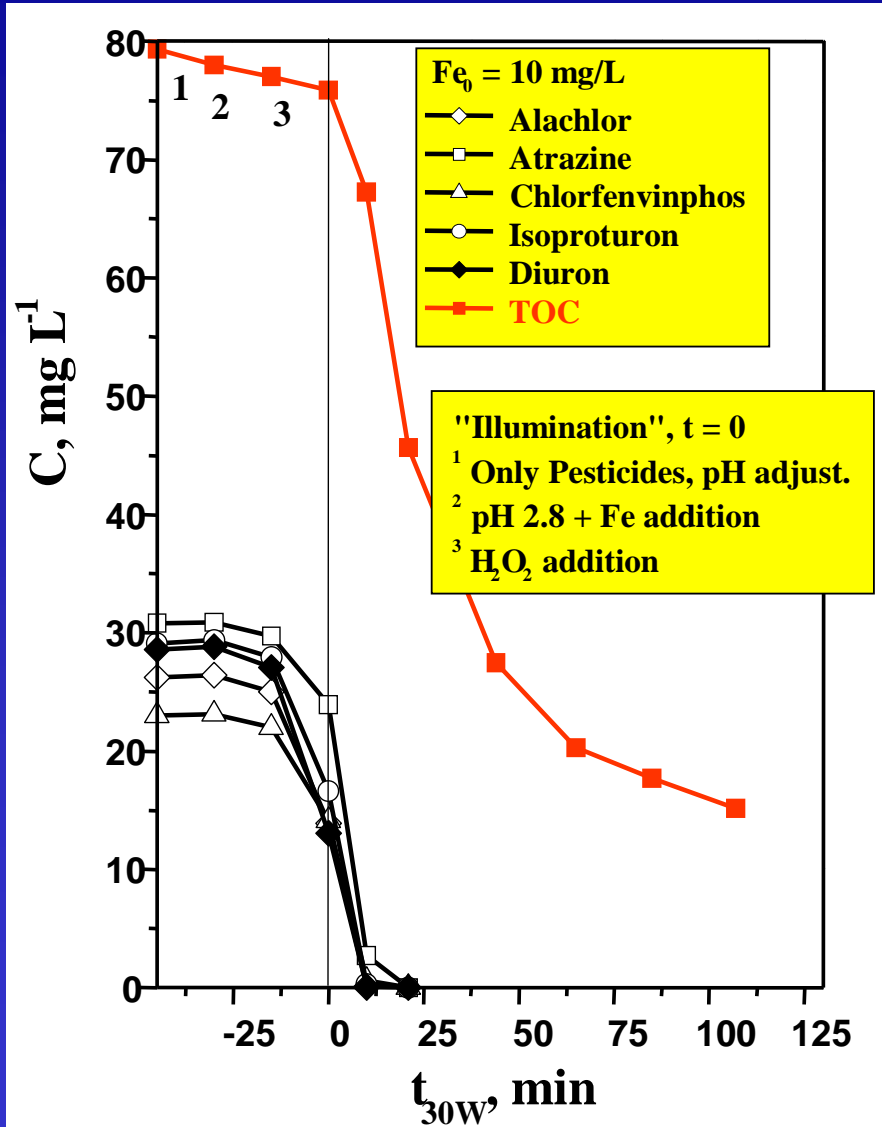
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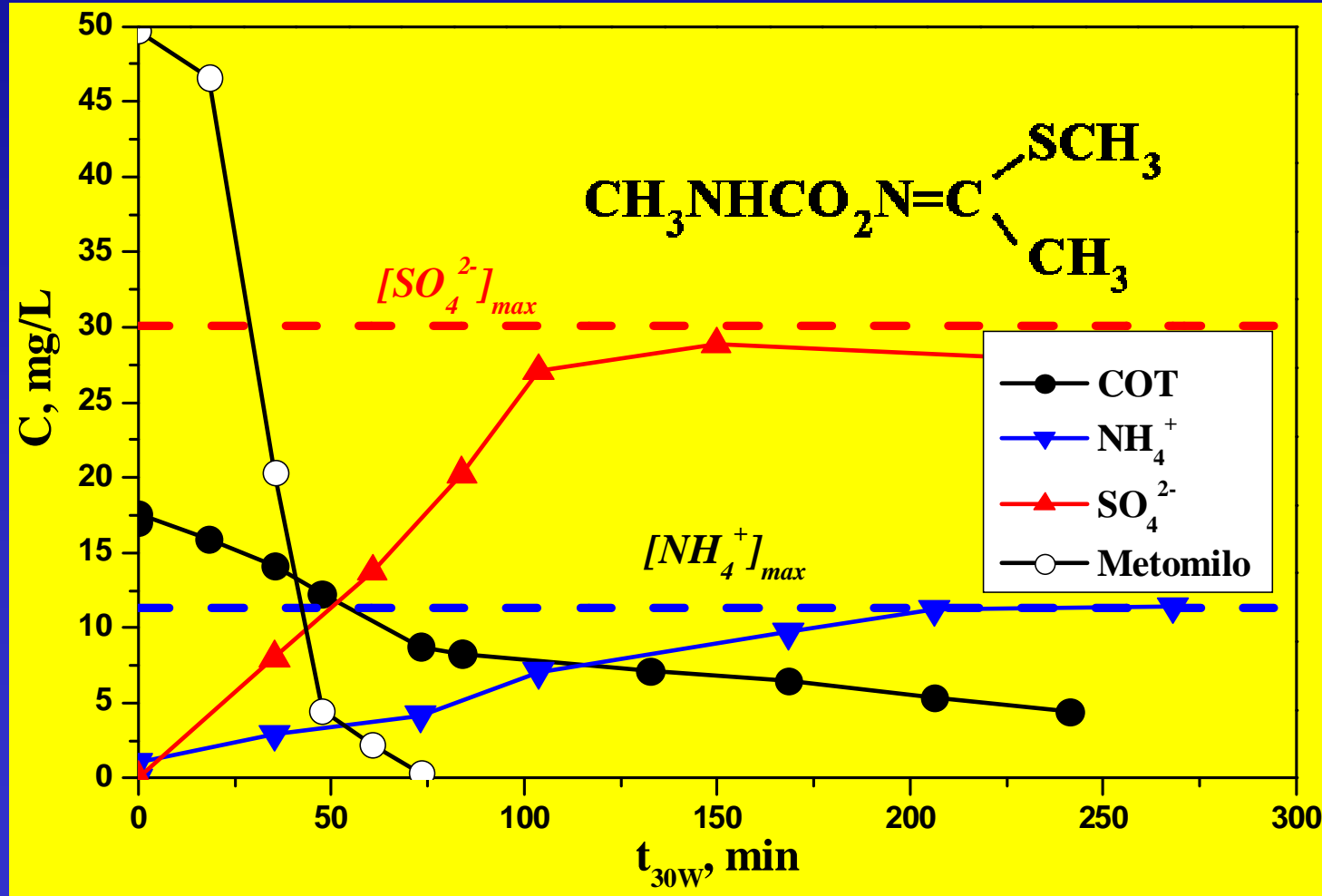
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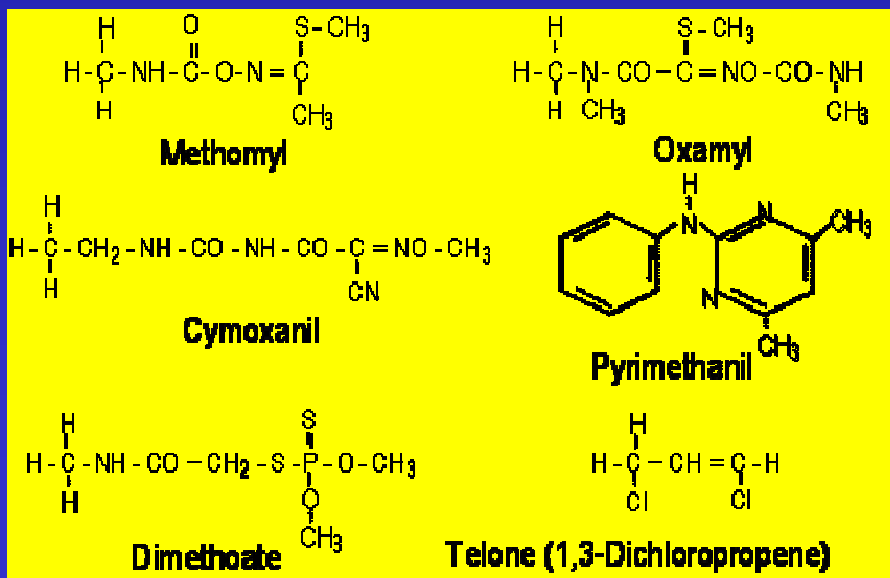


➤ Mass balance

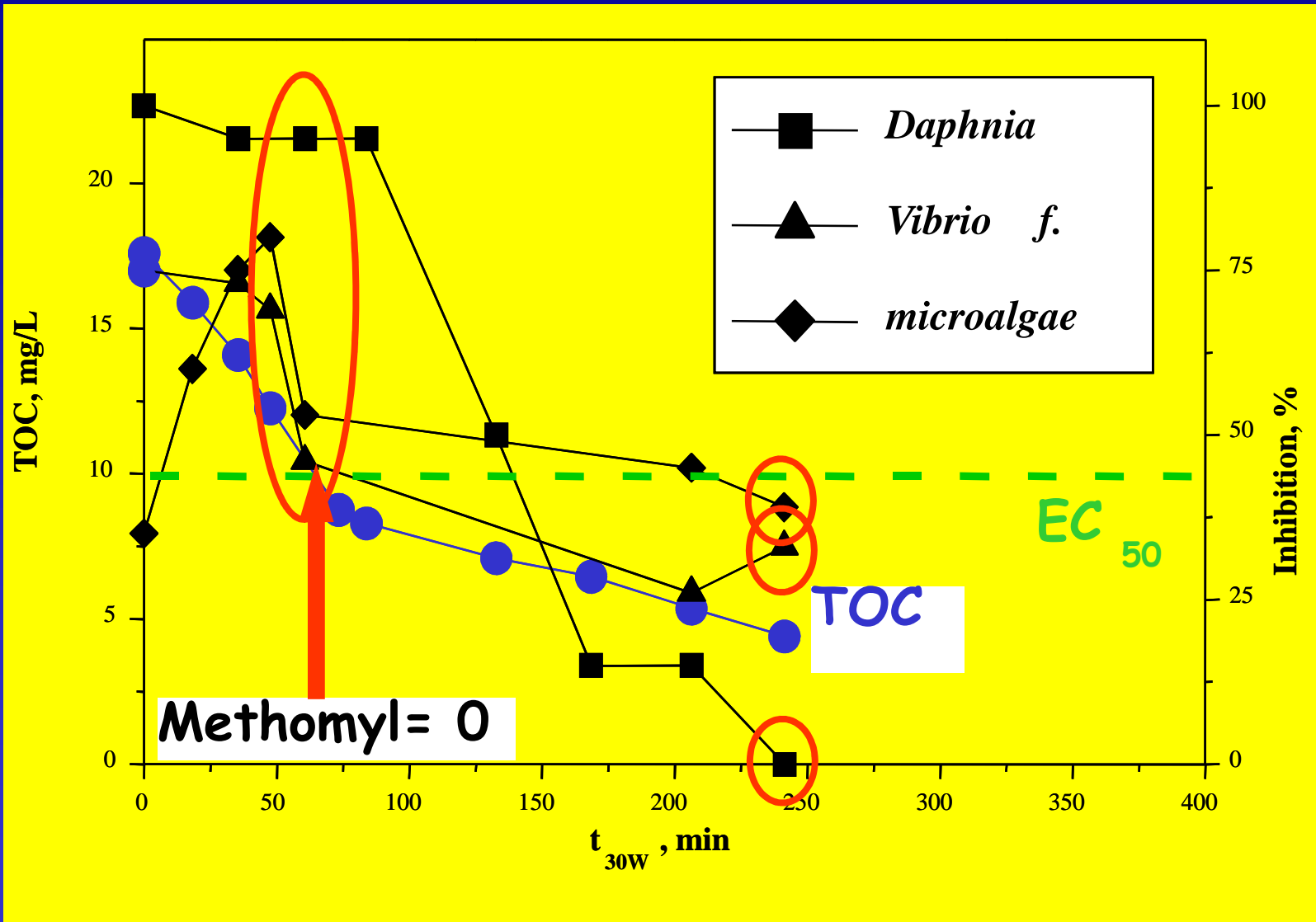


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	Methomyl	Dimethoate	Oxamyl <sup>(1)</sup>	Cymoxanil	Pyrimethanil	Telone
<b>Inhibition (15 min)</b> (beginning photo-Fenton)	73%	80%	98%	60%	73%	24%
<b>Inhibition (15 min)</b> (50% TOC eliminated)	70%	40%	87% <sup>(2)</sup>	85% ←	60%	32% <sup>(3)</sup>
<b>Inhibition (15 min)</b> (80-90% TOC eliminated)	58%	40%	57%	74%	52%	40% ←



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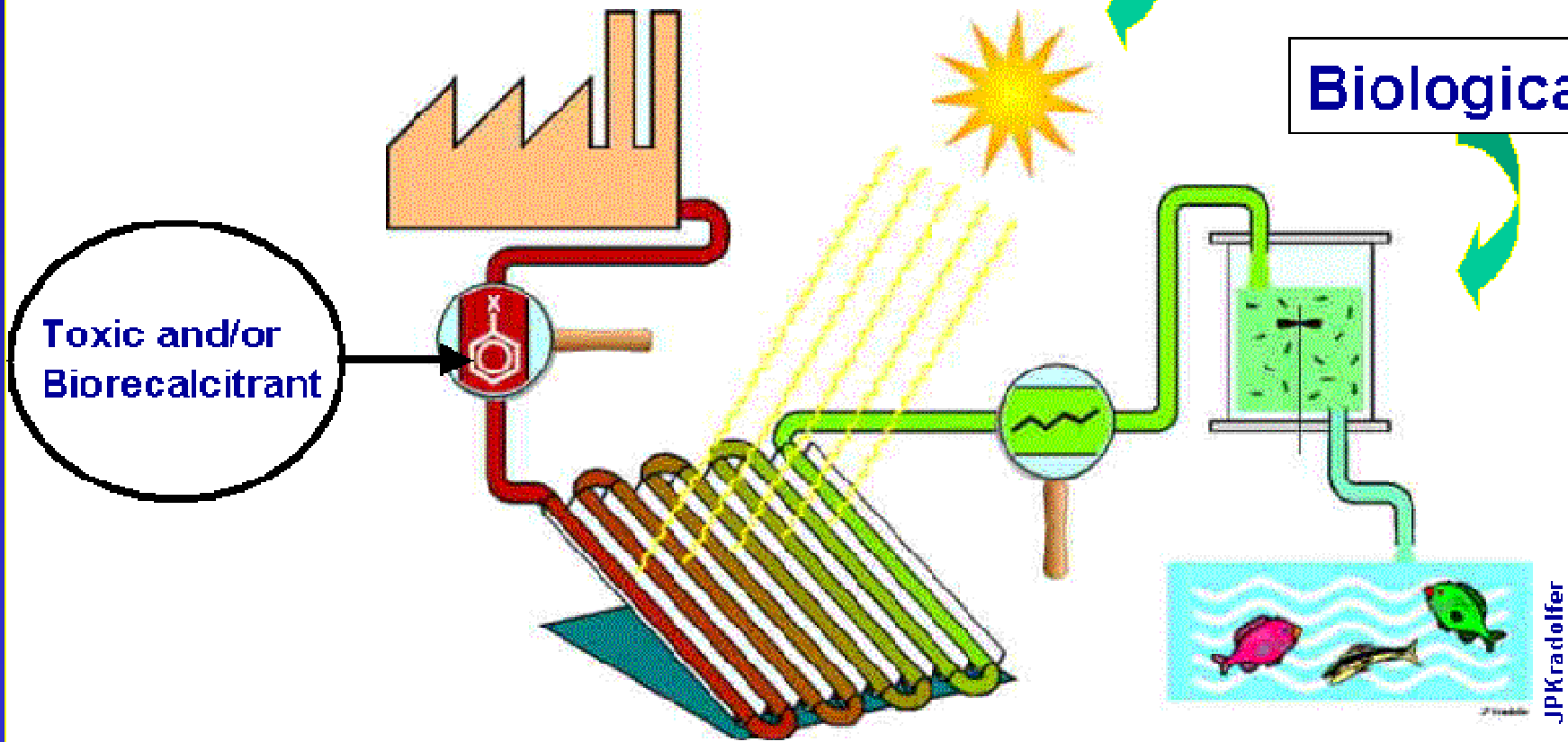
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Biological



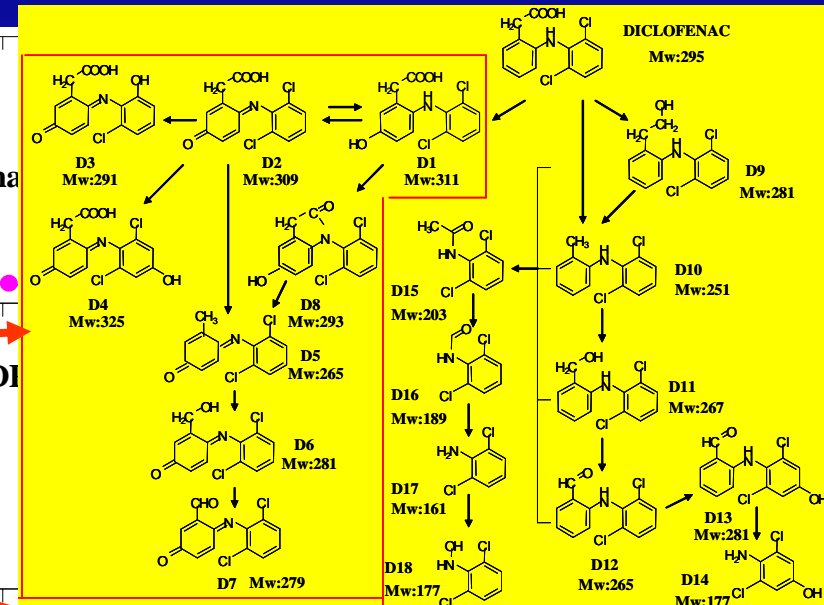
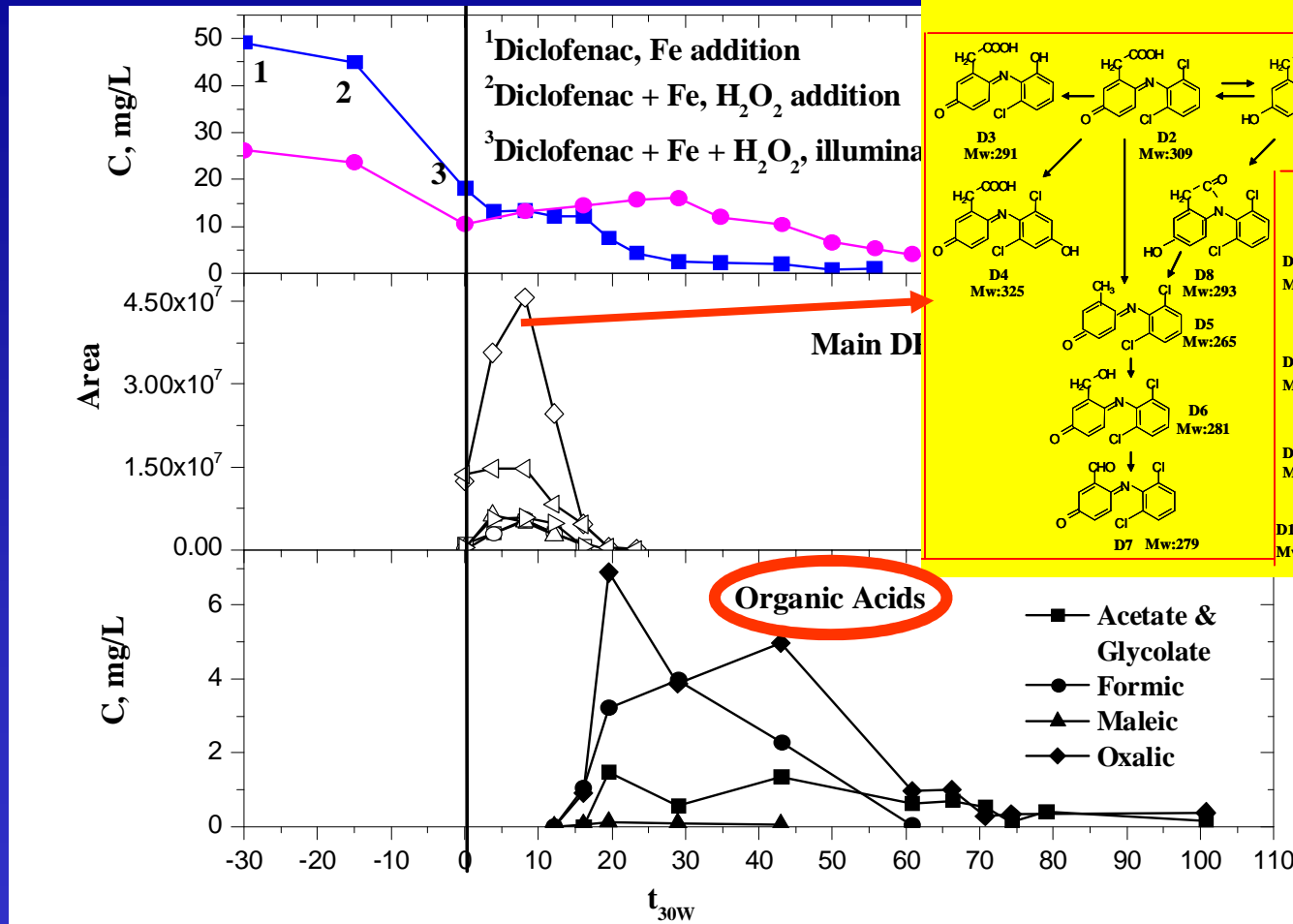
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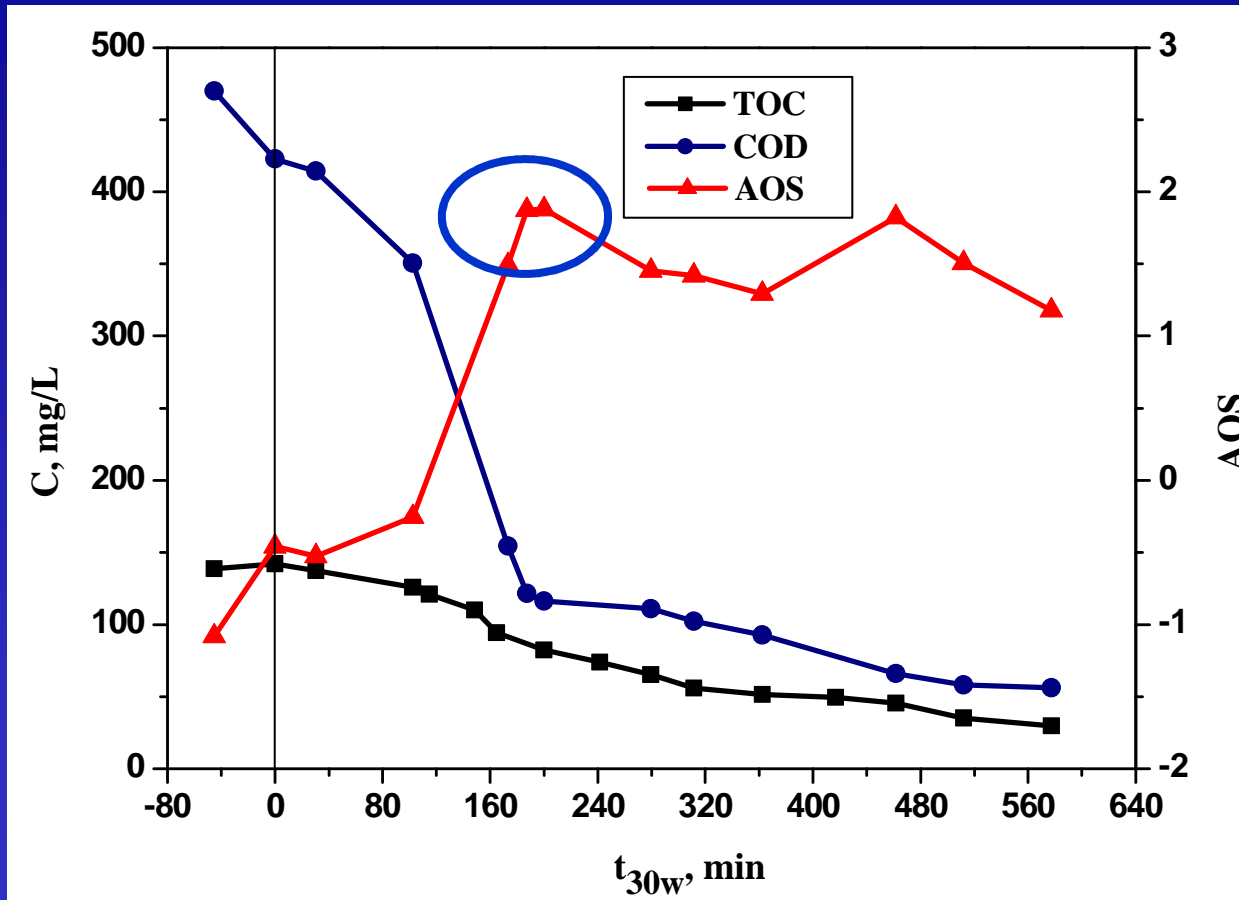
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$$AOS = \frac{4(TOC - COD)}{TOC}$$



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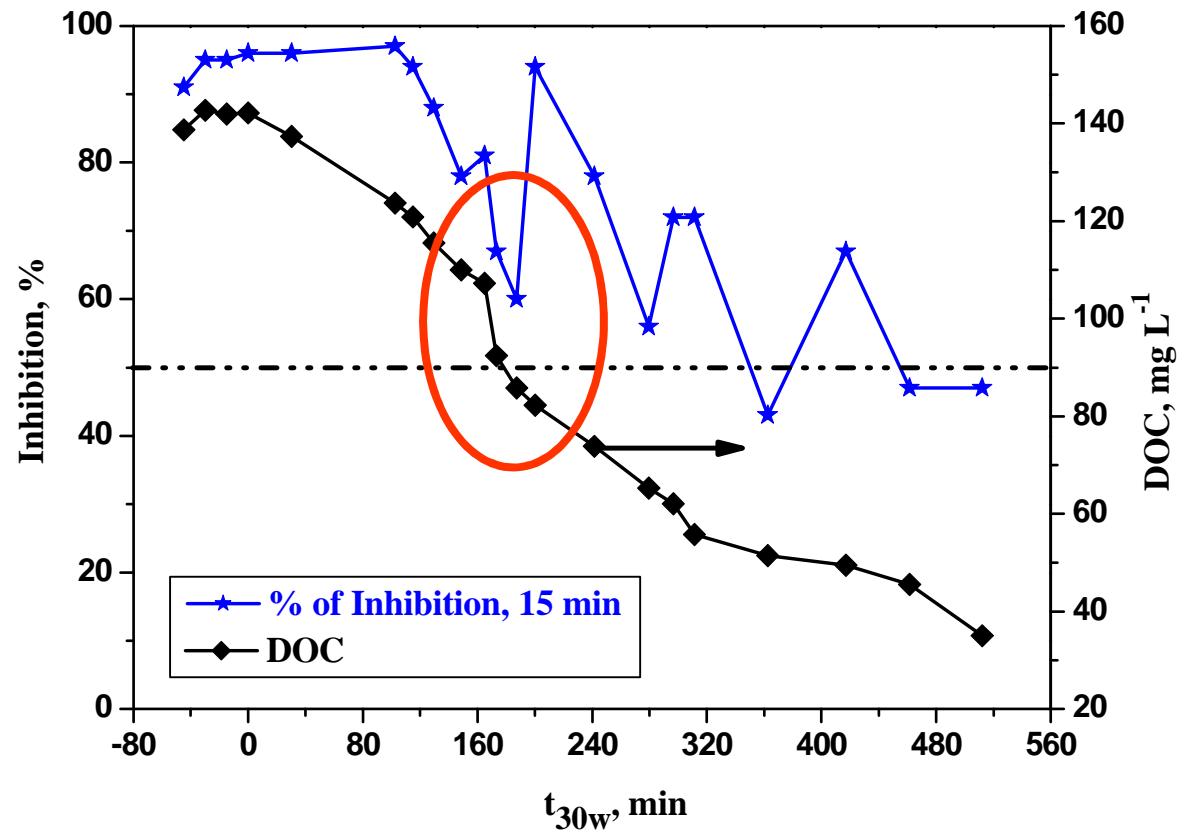
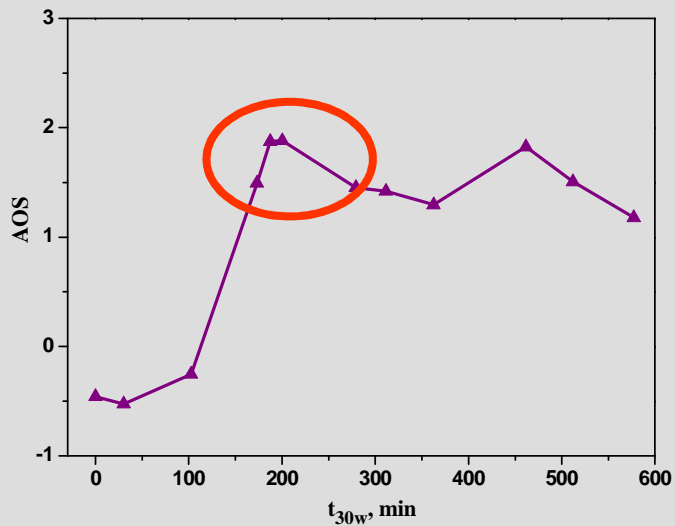
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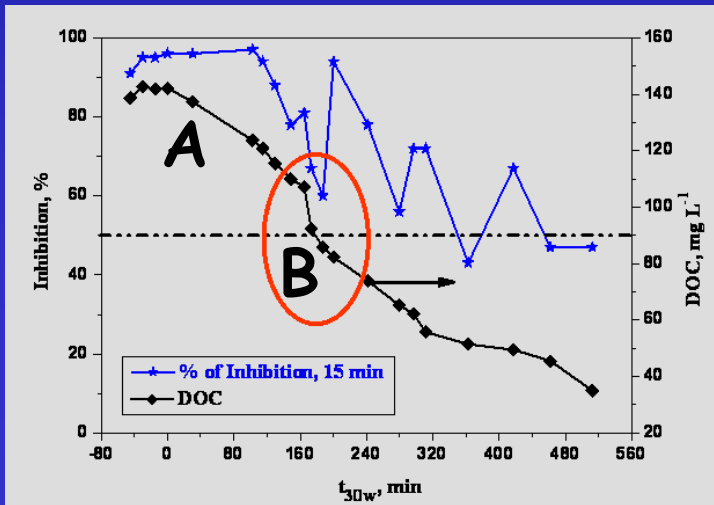
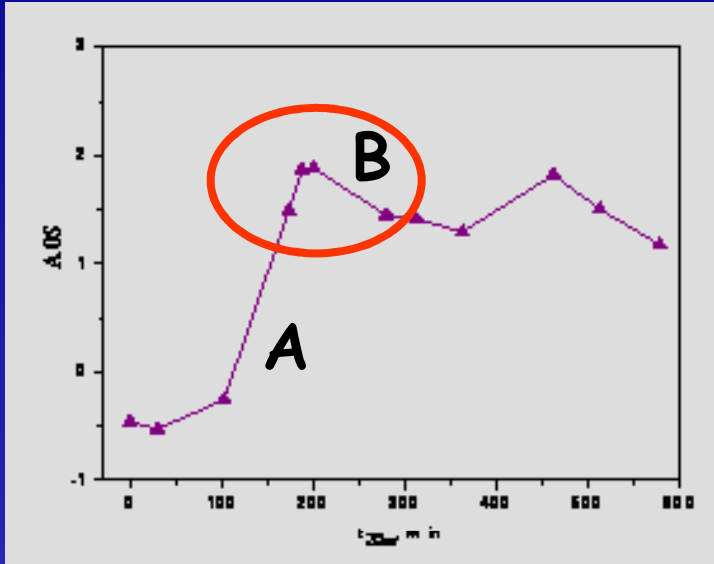
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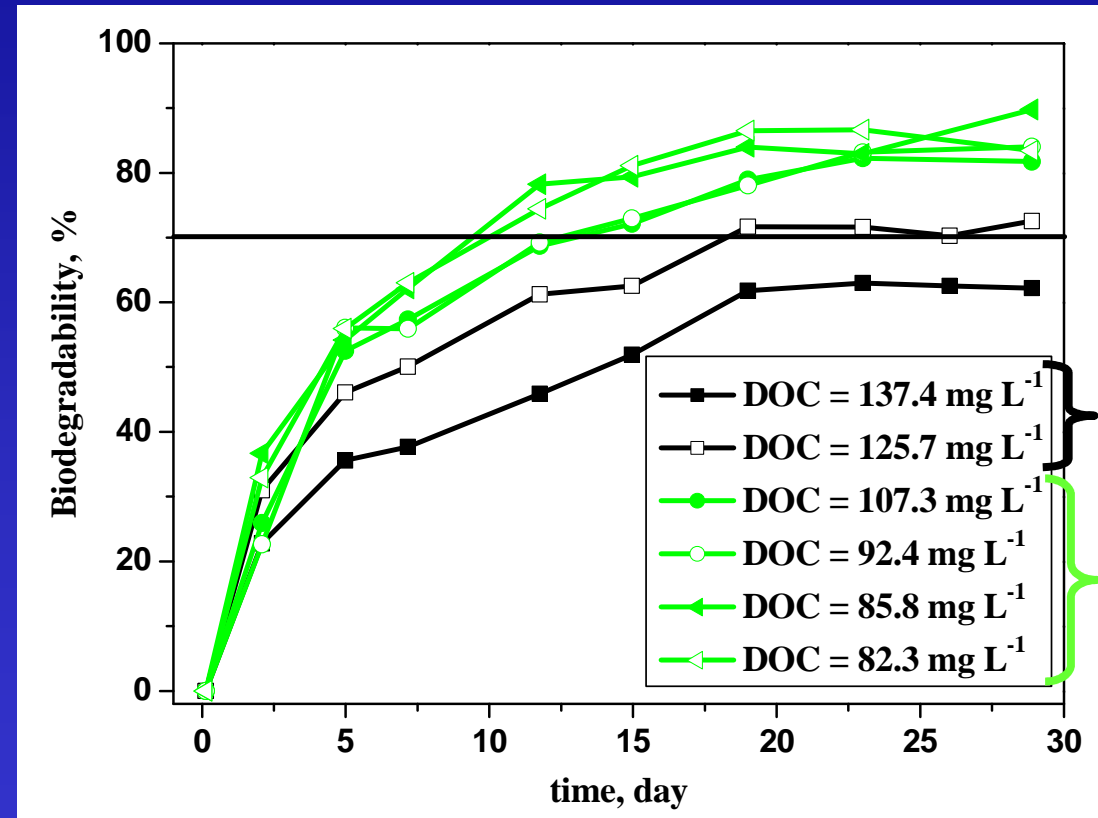
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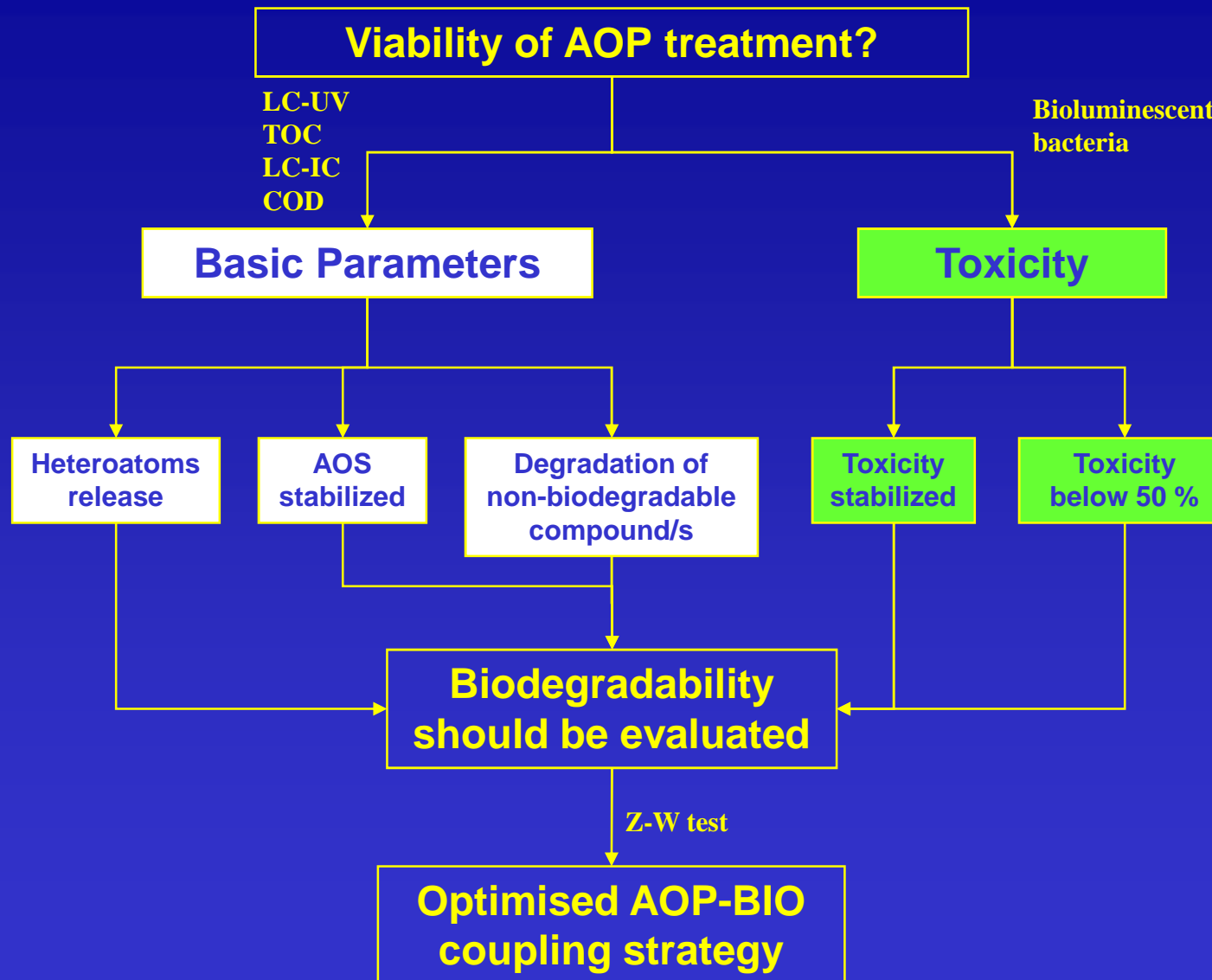


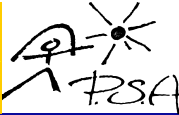
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