



Destruction of Emerging Contaminants in Water: Promises and Challenges of Catalytic Ozonation Technology

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Introduction to emerging contaminants

Key effects of emerging contaminants

The cycle of emerging contaminants

OVERVIEW

Advanced water treatments

Catalytic ozonation

Our research

Promises & challenges





FRESHWATER VERTEBRATE POPULATION DECLINED BY 81% SINCE 1970

12 THREATS TO FRESHWATER BIODIVERSITY



- Changing climates
- E-commerce and invasions
- Infectious diseases
- Harmful algal blooms
- Expanding hydropower
- Emerging contaminants
- Engineered nanomaterials
- Microplastic pollution
- Light and noise
- Freshwater salinization
- Declining calcium
- Cumulative stressors







EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: PHARMACEUTICALS & PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS (PPCPs)









EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: PESTICIDES & HERBICIDES





Omethoate

2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid

N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide

Diazinone

Mecoprop

&

MANY MORE!!!







EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: SOME EFFECTS

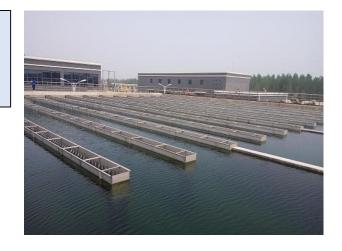


Pharmaceuticals

- Endocrine disruptor
- Help evolve superbugs

Due to un-metabolised antibiotics WTPs breed superbugs

A 'Post-antibiotic World?', www.wateronline.com









EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: SOME EFFECTS

SOME PPCP CHEMICALS

but not limited to

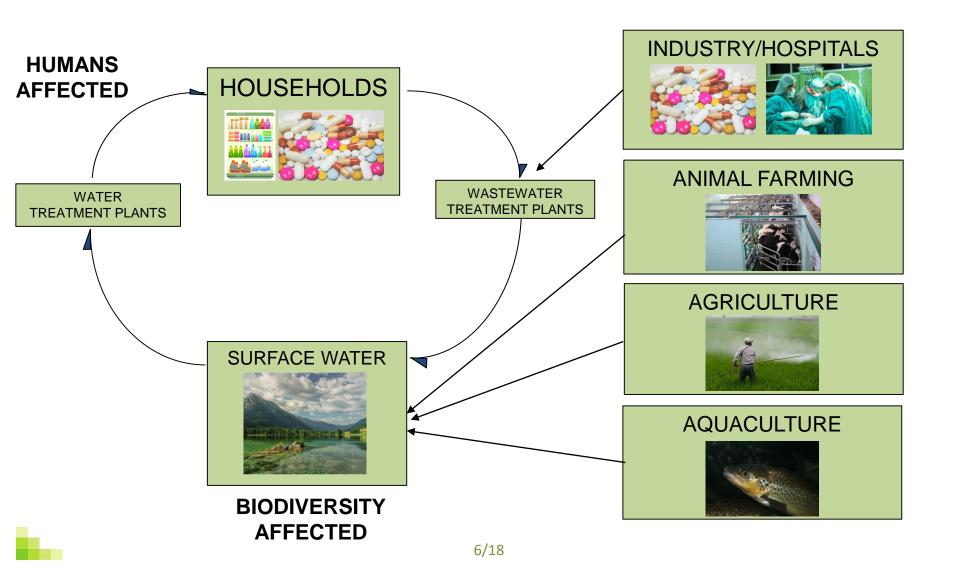
MATERIALS	SOURCES	EFFECTS	REGULATIONS CANADA
Diethanolamine	Soaps, cleansers & shampoos	Carcinogen & toxic	Unregulated
Parabens	Cosmetics	Mimic estrogen	Unregulated
Polyethylene glycols	Cosmetics	Carries dioxane	Unregulated
Petrolatum	Moisturizers, hair products	Carries polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons	Unregulated







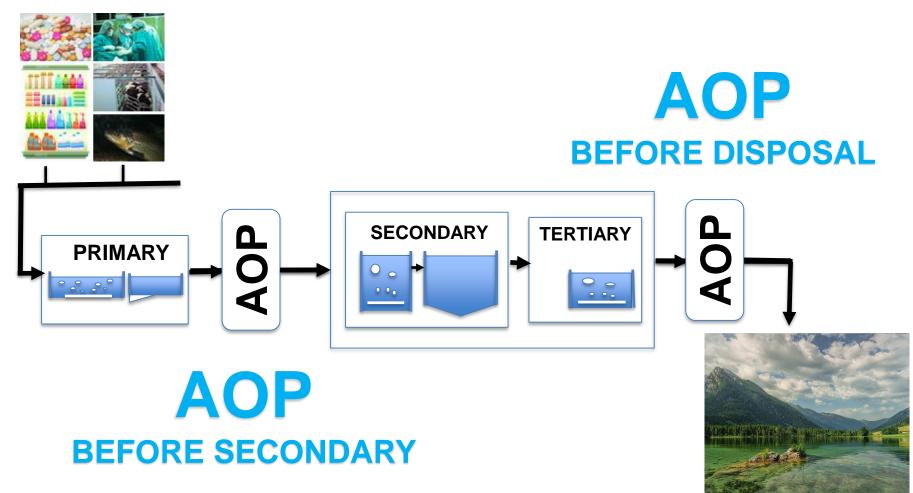
EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: THE CYCLE







EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: REMEDY BY ADVANCED OXIDATION PROCESSES (AOP)



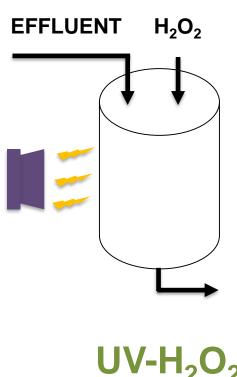


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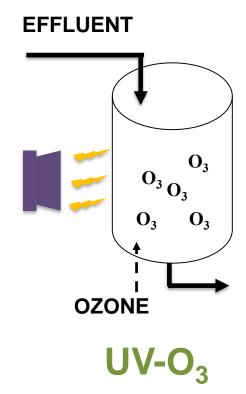




ADVANCED OXIDATION PROCESSES







EFFLUENT CATALYST O_3 **OZONE** O₃/CATALYST



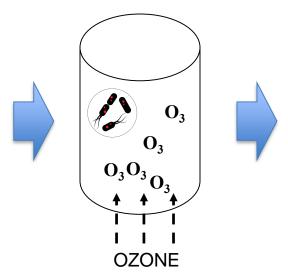




OZONATION

A WIDELY USED METHOD FOR DISINFECTING WATER







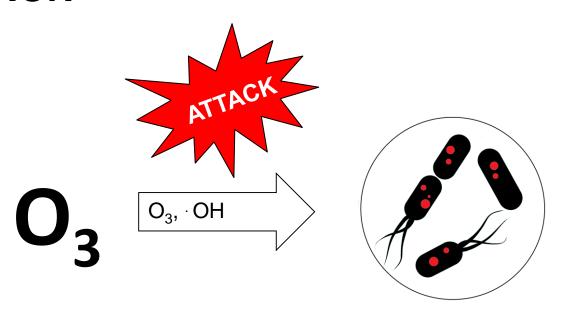








OZONATION



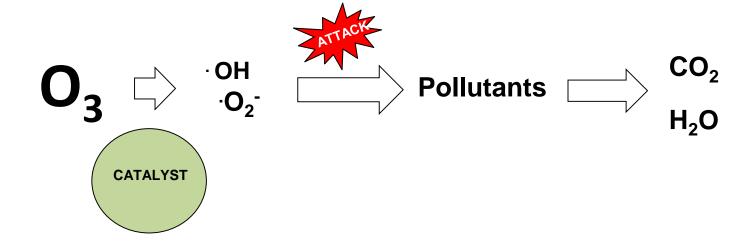
- GOOD AT REMOVING MICROBES
- WEAK IN REMOVING EMERGING CONTAMINANTS







CATALYTIC OZONATION (CATOZ)



WHY CATOZ

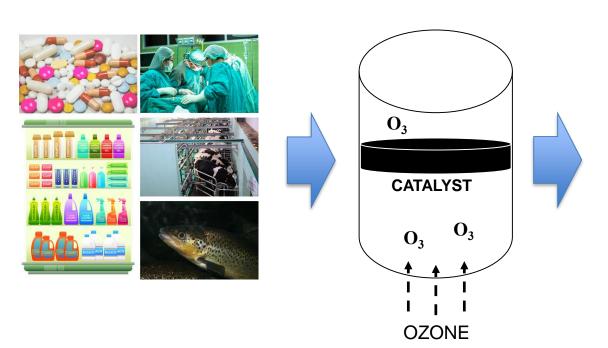
- LOW COST DUE TO LOW OZONE REQUIREMENT
- NON-SELECTIVE
- MINERALIZES POLLUTANTS







CATALYTIC OZONATION





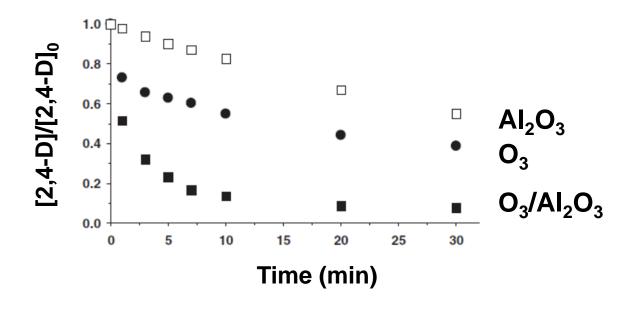






OZONATION & CATALYTIC OZONATION

DEGRADATION OF 2,4-D



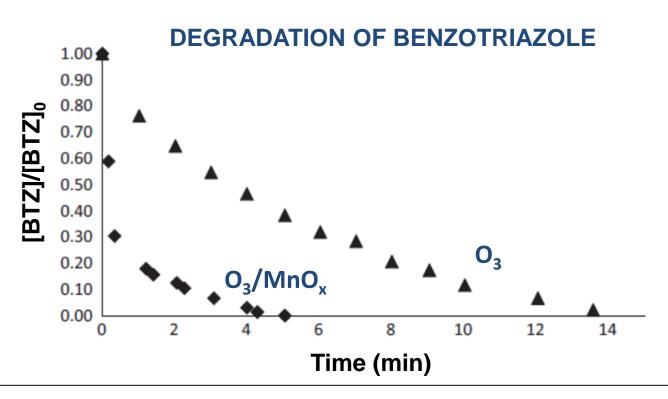
HIGHER DEGRADATION OF 2,4-D BY CATOZ THAN SINGLE OZONATION







OZONATION & CATALYTIC OZONATION



HIGHER DEGRADATION OF BENZOTRIAZOLE BY CATOZ
THAN SINGLE OZONATION







PROMISES & CHALLENGES

LOW OZONE REQUIREMENT

NON-SELECTIVE

REMOVE EMERGING POLLUTANTS

MORE RESEARCH NEEDED FOR COMMERCIALIZATION

MESSAGE TO TAKE HOME

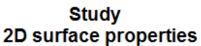
CATOZ is a promising technology to solve emerging pollutant problem







CURRENT RESEARCH

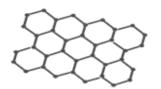




Modify porous AC







Reduced-graphene oxide

Porous activated carbon

WHAT TO GAIN?



NEW NON-METAL CATALYSTS



MORE EFFECTIVE AC CATALYSTS







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